National 5 Maths SQA 2017 Specimen Paper 1 Question 3



Two forces acting on a rocket are represented by vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Calculate $|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}|$, the magnitude of the resultant force.

Express your answer as a surd in its simplest form.

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Answer:

 $7\sqrt{2}$