

# **Review: Linear and Vector Algebra**

# Points in Euclidean Space $\mathbb{R}^n$

Location in space

Tuple of  $n$  **coordinates**  $x, y, z$ , etc

$$p = (p_x, p_y, p_z)$$

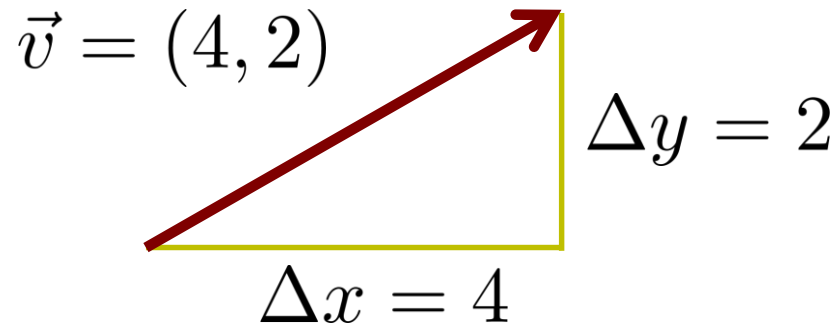


Cannot be added or multiplied together

# Vectors: “Arrows in Space”

Vectors are **point changes**

Also number tuple: coordinate changes

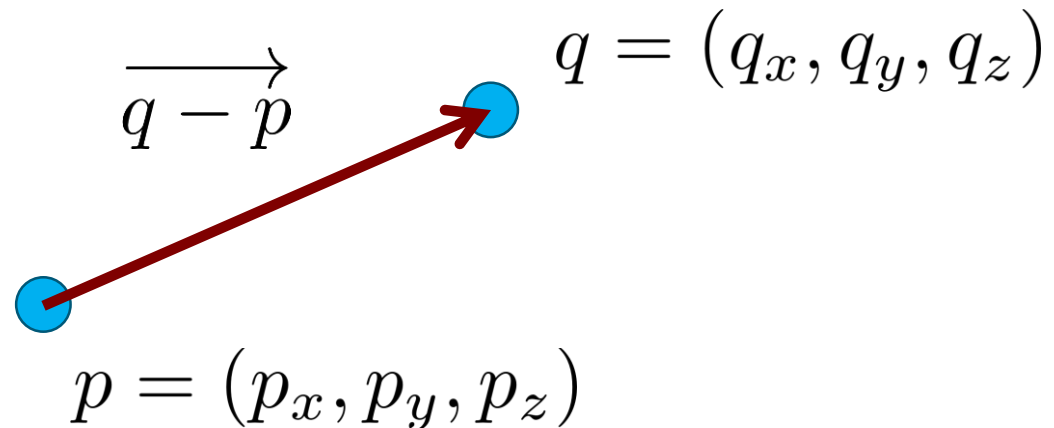


Exist **independent** of any reference point

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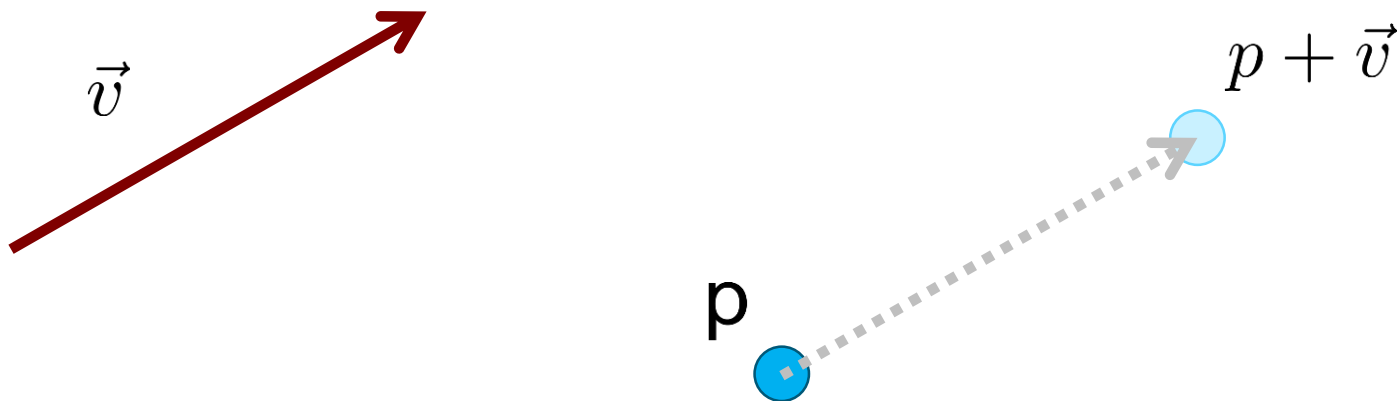


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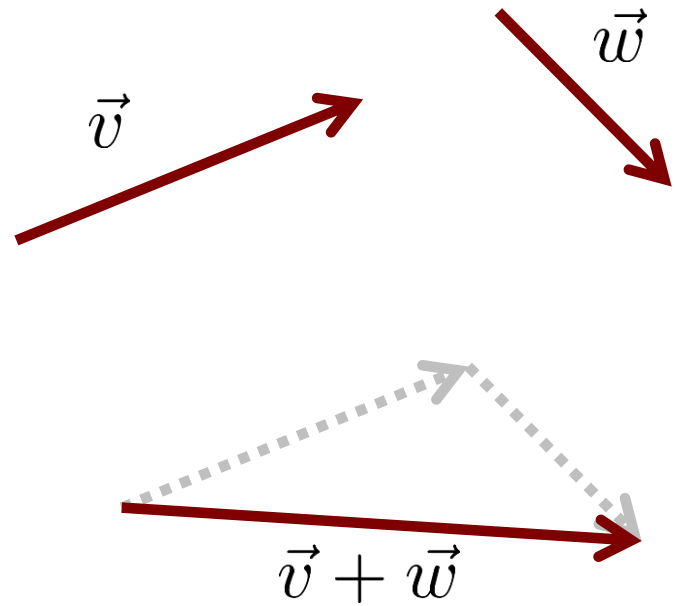
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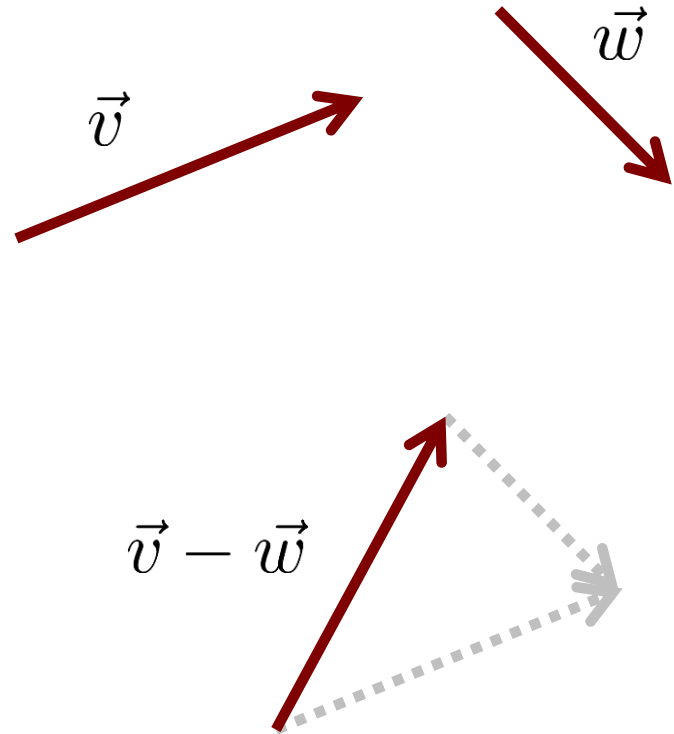
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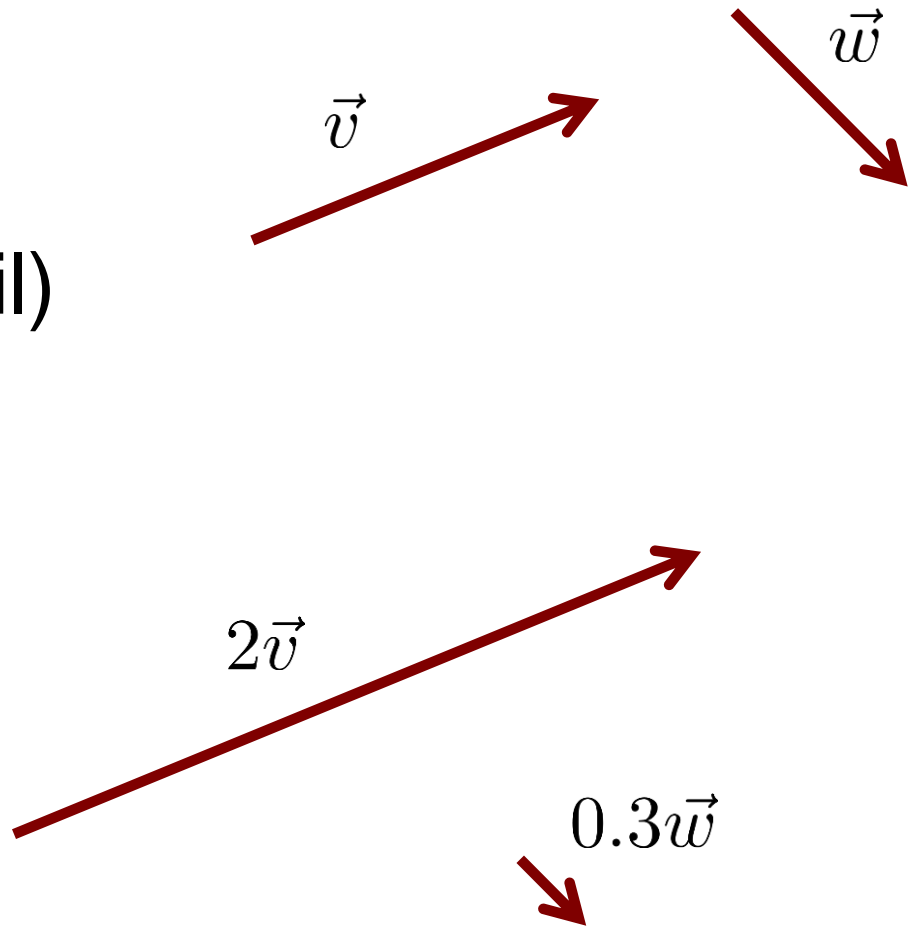
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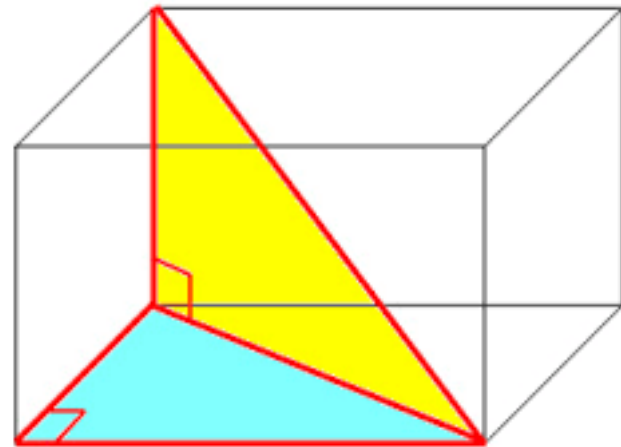


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- n-dimensional Pythagorean theorem

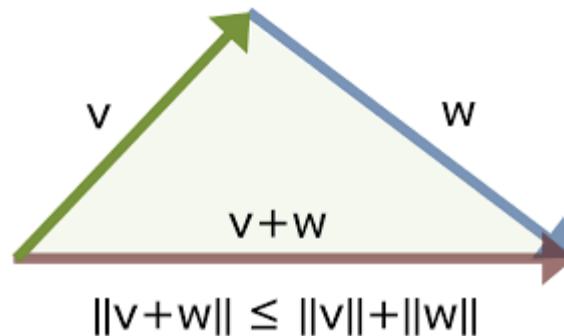


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Triangle inequality:  $\|\vec{v} + \vec{w}\| \leq \|\vec{v}\| + \|\vec{w}\|$



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Any non-zero vector can be normalized:

$$\hat{v} = \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|}$$

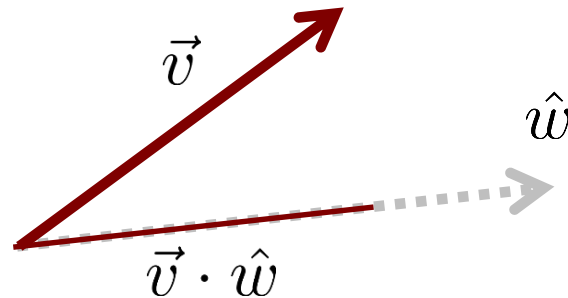
# Dot Product

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$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = v_x w_x + v_y w_y + v_z w_z + \dots$$

- (works in any dimension)

$\vec{v} \cdot \hat{w}$  is length of  $\vec{v}$  “in the  $\hat{w}$  direction”



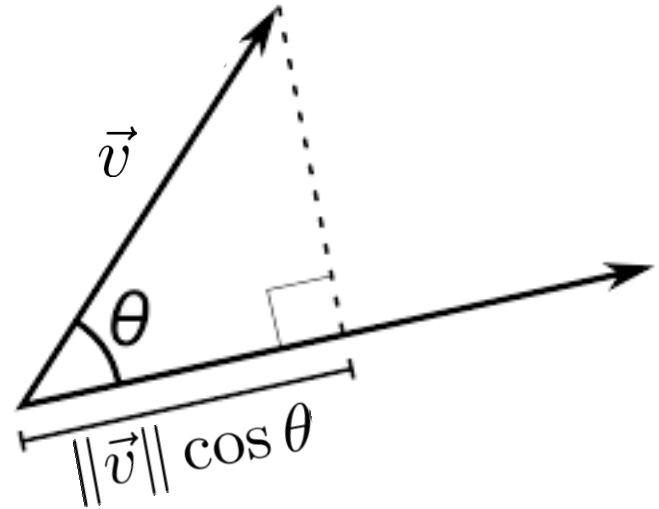
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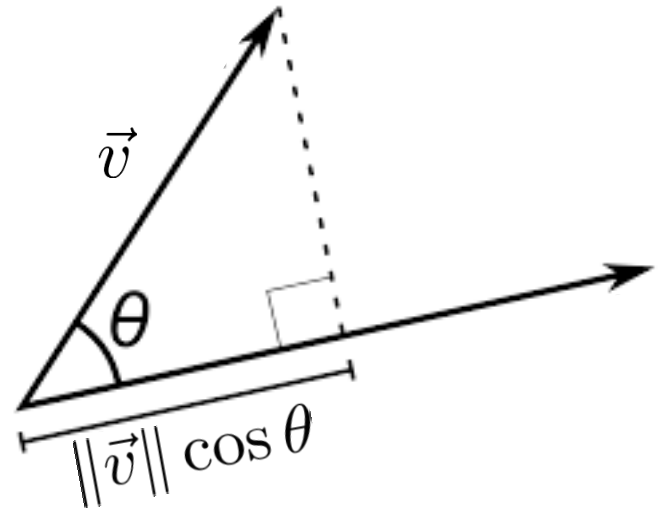
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Linearity:  $\vec{v} \cdot (\vec{w} + \vec{u}) = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$

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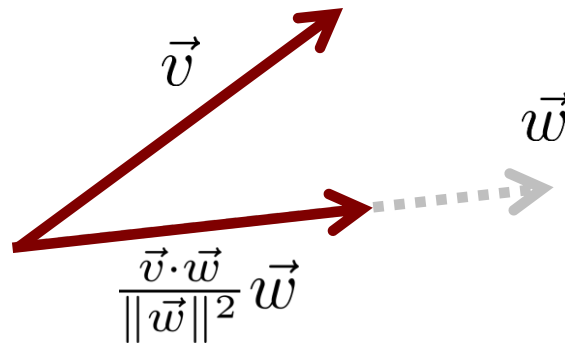
Perpendicular vectors:  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$

Also note:  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{v}\|^2$



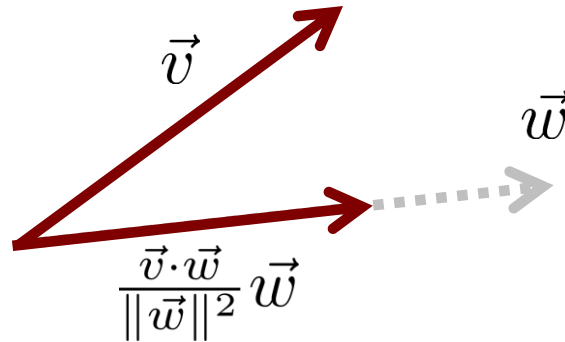
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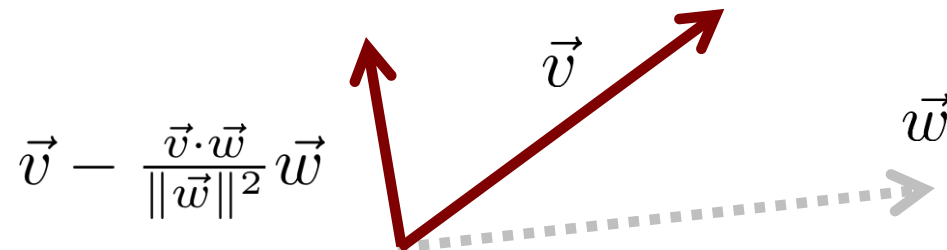


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Can also project **out** component along  $\vec{w}$



# Dot Product and Angles

Note  $\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}}{\|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\|}$  requires only multiplications and sqrts

Useful because trig calls are **slow**

Also in a pinch (slow):  $\theta = \arccos \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}}{\|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\|}$

# Cross Product

Takes two vectors, returns vector

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{w} = (v_y w_z - v_z w_y, v_z w_x - v_x w_z, v_x w_y - v_y w_x)$$

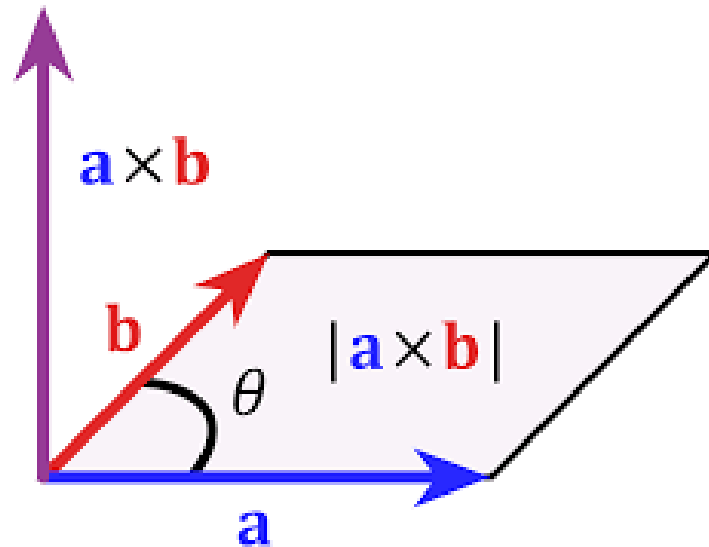
- works **only** in 3D

Direction: perpendicular to both  $\vec{v}$ ,  $\vec{w}$

Magnitude:  $\|\vec{v} \times \vec{w}\| = \|\vec{v}\| \|\vec{w}\| \sin \theta$

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Magnitude is **area of parallelogram**  
formed by vectors



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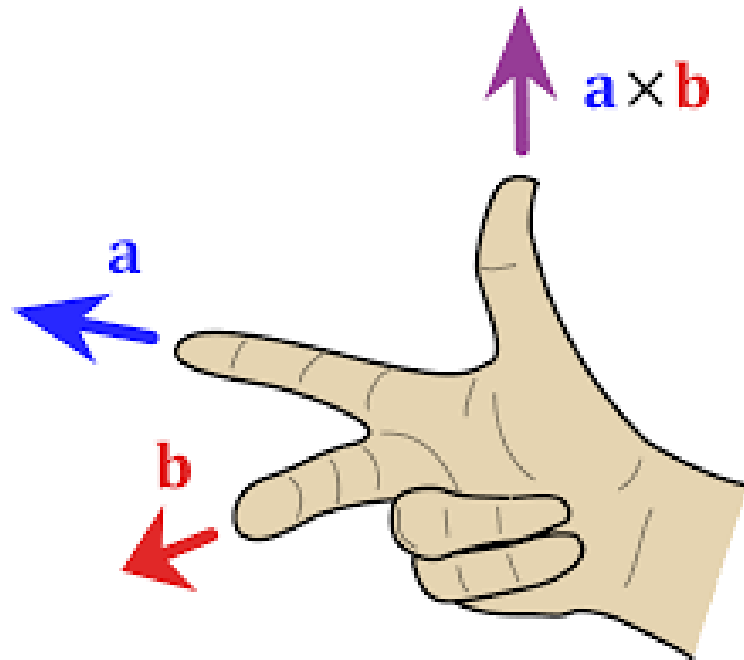
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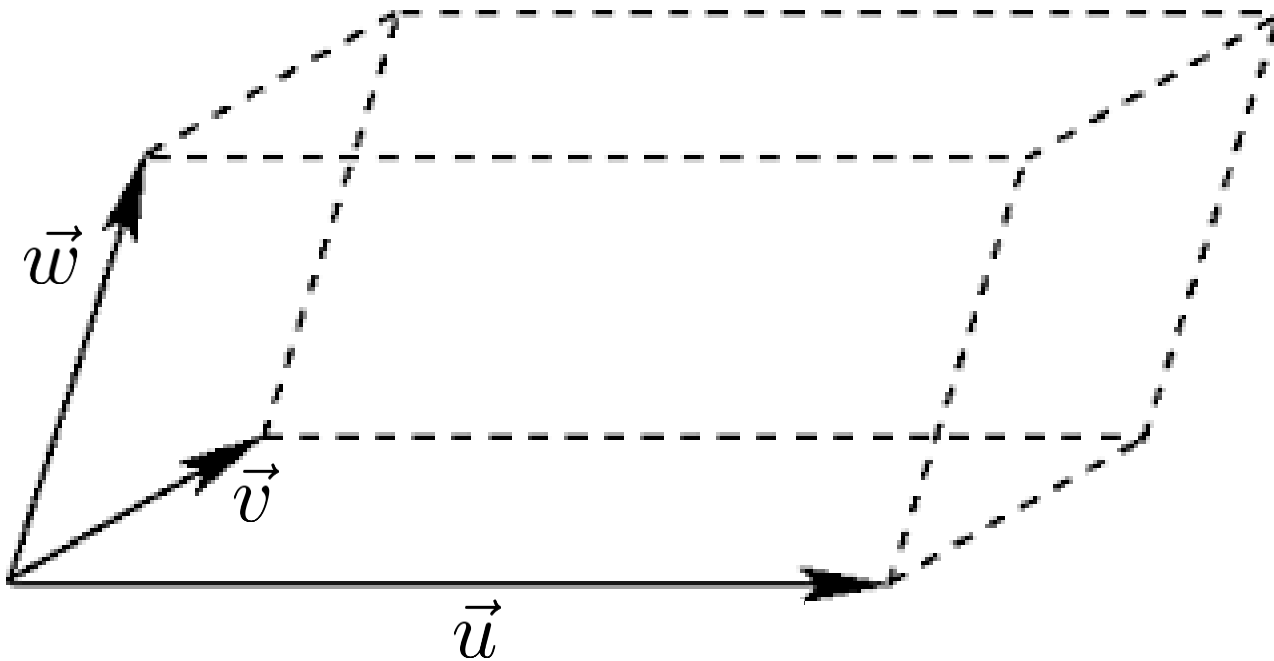
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Relation to angles:  $\sin \theta = \frac{\|u \times v\|}{\|u\| \|v\|}$

Even better:  $\tan \theta = \frac{\|u \times v\|}{u \cdot v}$  no sqrts!

# Vector Triple Product

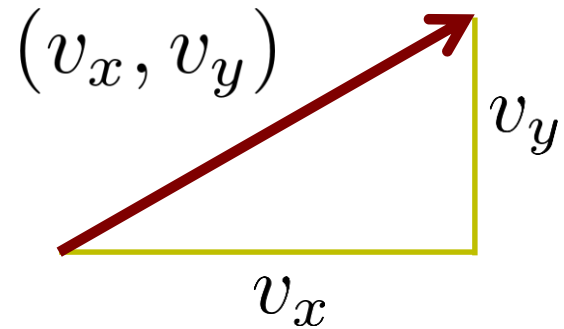
$\vec{w} \cdot (\vec{u} \times \vec{v})$  signed volume of **parallelepiped**



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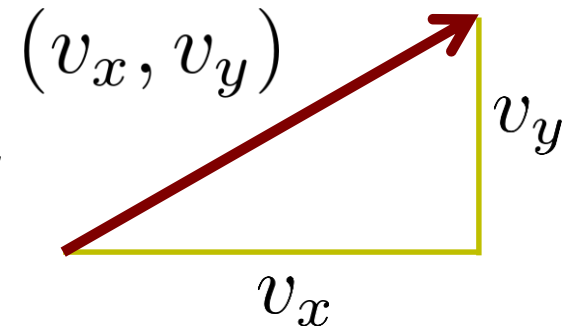
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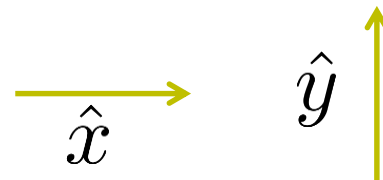
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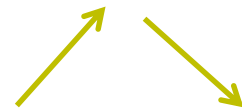
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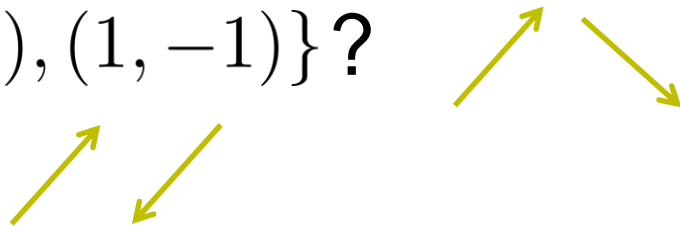
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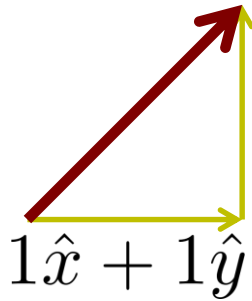




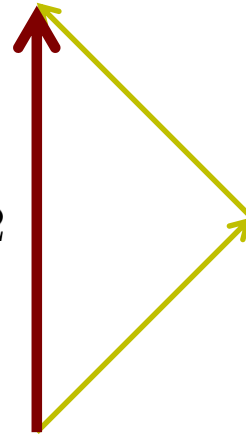
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The diagram consists of two parts. The left part shows a 2D coordinate system with a horizontal axis labeled  $\hat{x}$  and a vertical axis labeled  $\hat{y}$ . A vector is drawn from the origin to the point (1, 1). This vector is decomposed into two components: a horizontal component of length 1 along the  $\hat{x}$  axis and a vertical component of length 1 along the  $\hat{y}$  axis. The label  $1\hat{x} + 1\hat{y}$  is placed below the horizontal component. The right part shows a 2D coordinate system with a vertical axis labeled  $\vec{v}_1$  and a horizontal axis labeled  $\vec{v}_2$ . The same vector from the left is shown in this new basis, starting from the origin and ending at the tip of  $\vec{v}_1$ . The label  $1\vec{v}_1 + 1\vec{v}_2$  is placed to the left of the vector.

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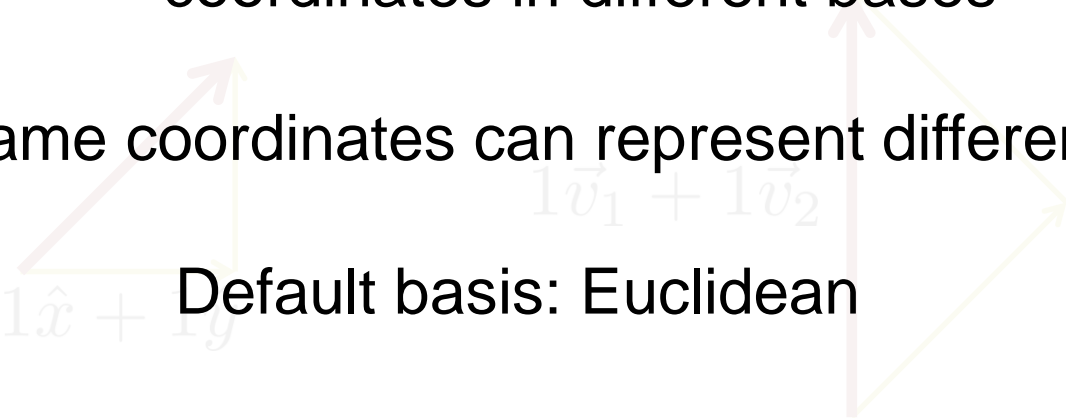
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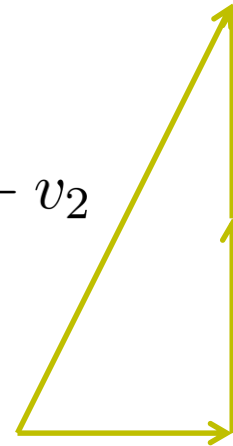
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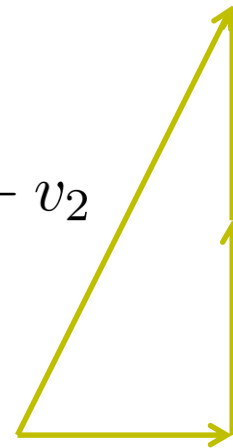
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Formal: basis  $\{\vec{b}_i\}$  linearly independent if

$$\sum_i \alpha_i \vec{b}_i = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha_i = 0$$

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- 3+: hyperplane through  $p$

# Matrix

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Scalar multiplication works as expected:

$$\alpha \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha a_{11} & \alpha a_{12} & \alpha a_{13} \\ \alpha a_{21} & \alpha a_{22} & \alpha a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Is associative:  $(AB)C = A(BC)$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Has tripped up even professors...

# Special Case: Vectors

Vectors are represented using **column** matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}v_1 + a_{12}v_2 + a_{13}v_3 \\ a_{21}v_1 + a_{22}v_2 + a_{23}v_3 \\ a_{31}v_1 + a_{32}v_2 + a_{33}v_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Can treat vectors like  $n \times 1$  matrix



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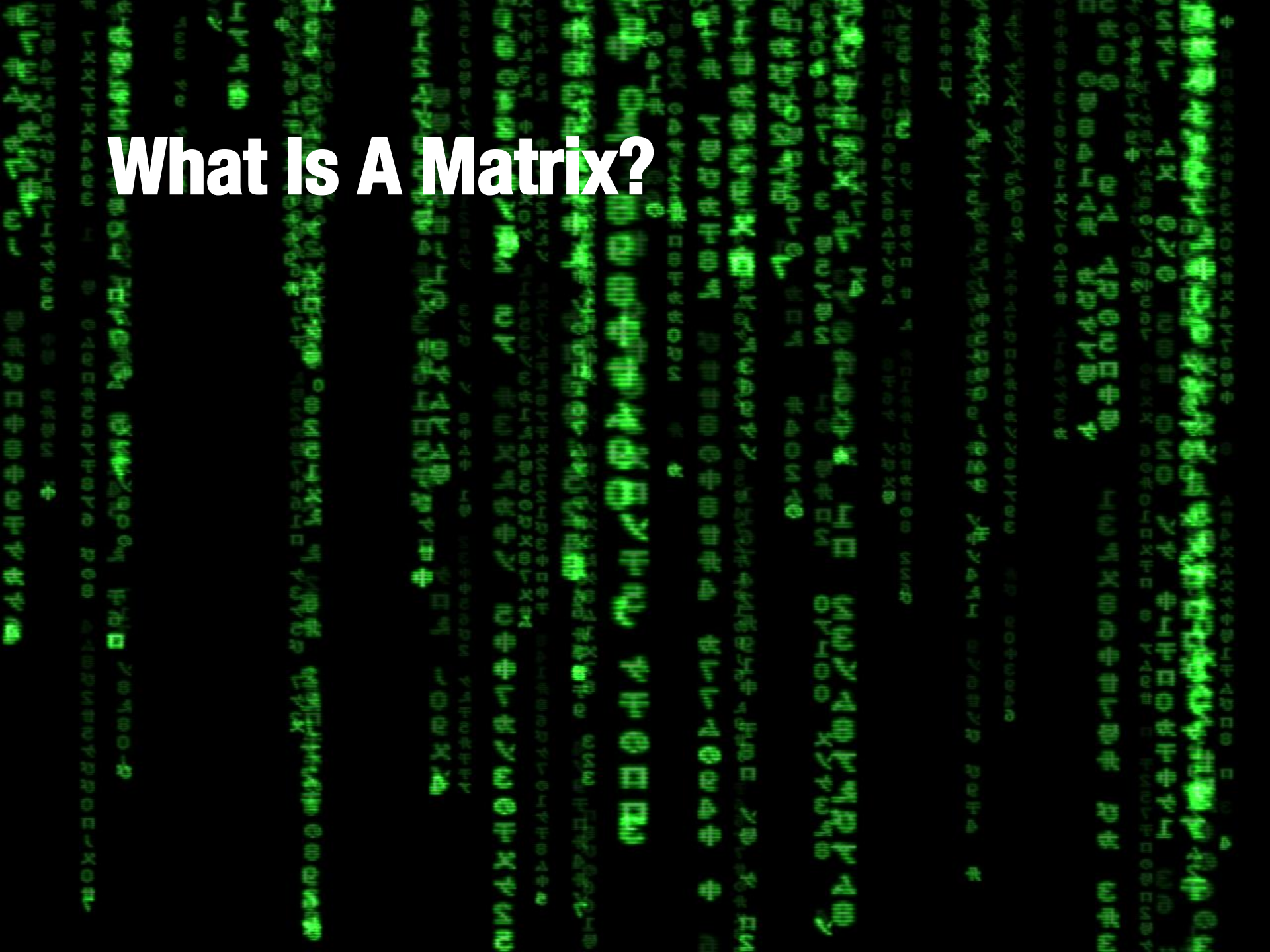
In practice:

**slow**  
 $O(n^3)$

**OK**  
 $O(n^2)$

Avoid matrix-matrix multiplies

# What Is A Matrix?



# Interpretation 1: Row Products

Matrix multiplication is dot product of vector with **rows**

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_{1\star} \\ \vec{a}_{2\star} \\ \vec{a}_{3\star} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{a}_{1\star} \cdot \vec{v} \\ \vec{a}_{2\star} \cdot \vec{v} \\ \vec{a}_{3\star} \cdot \vec{v} \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Interpretation 2: Column Sums

Matrix multiplication is linear combination  
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Satisfies

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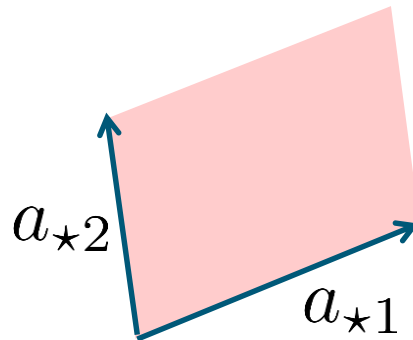
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Measures signed volume of parallelogram

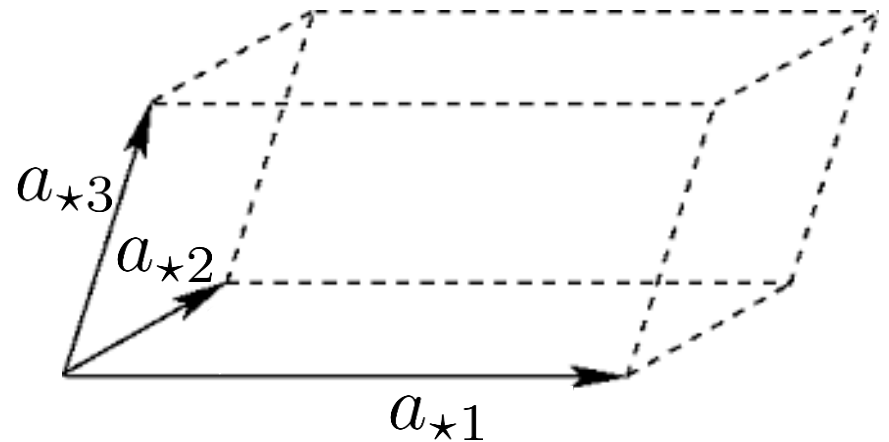


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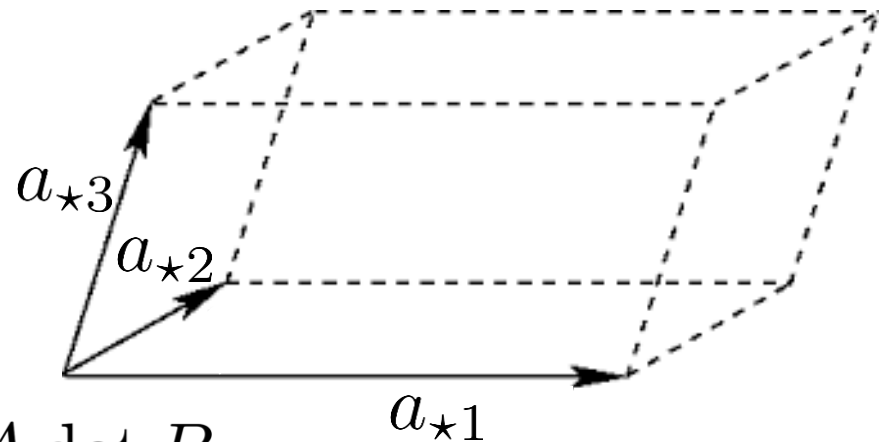


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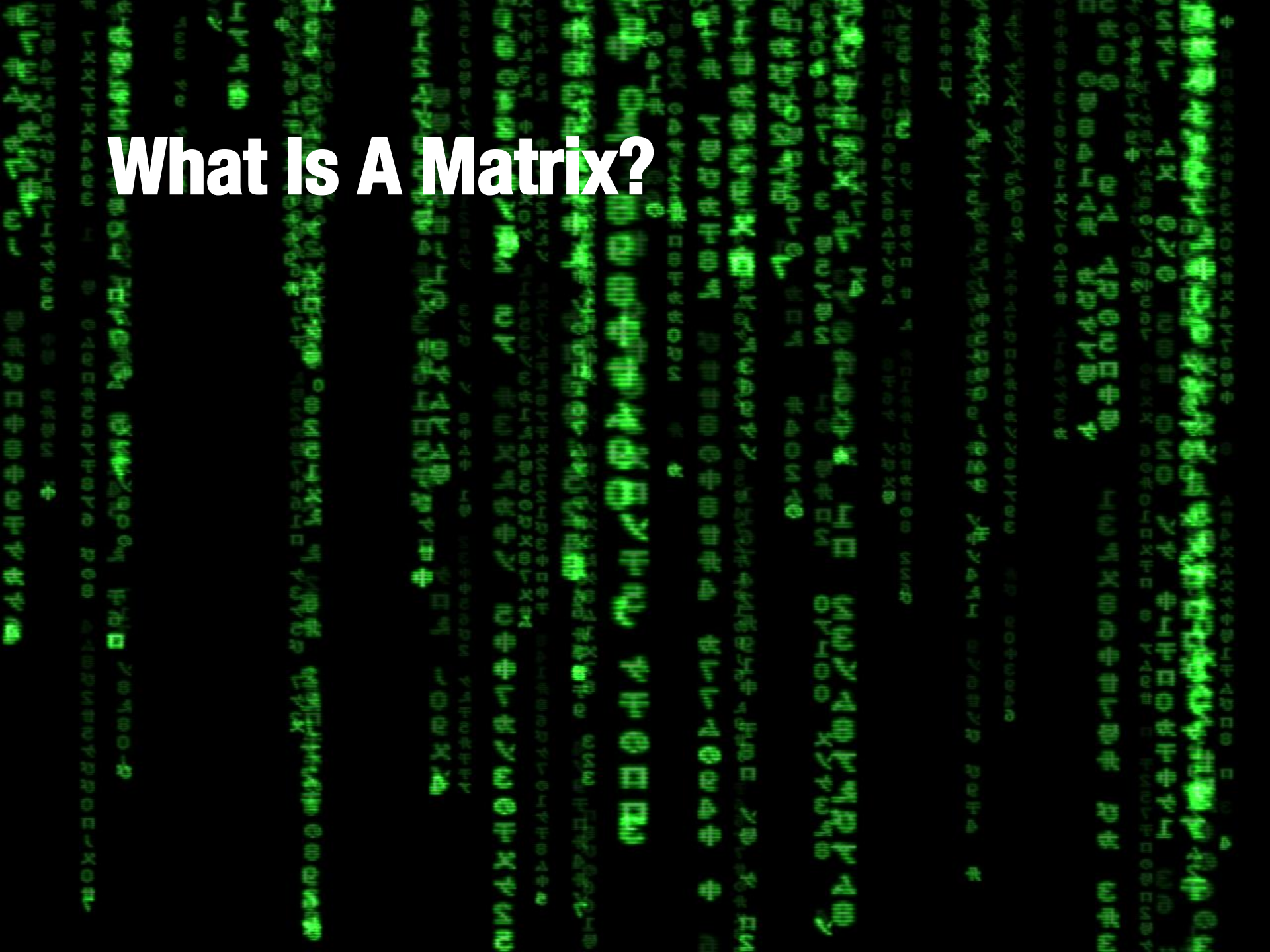
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