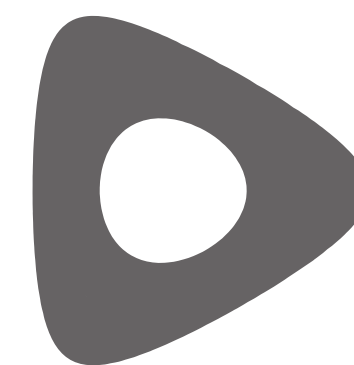


# Maximum likelihood estimation for log-linear models in dimension two

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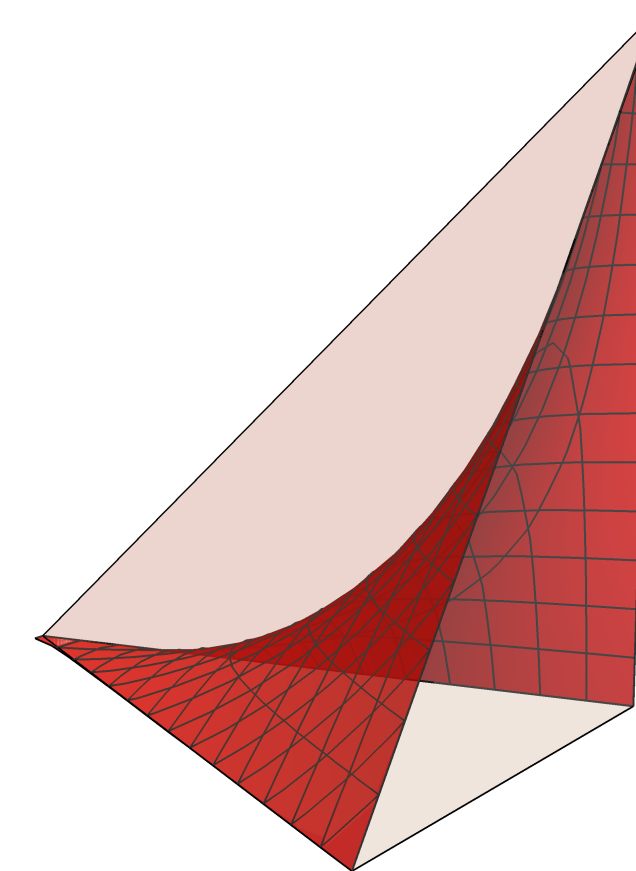
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**Why log-linear models?**

- Useful and popular for analysis of categorical data.
- Hierarchical models
- undirected graphical models
- Social sciences, biology, medicine, data mining, language processing

Let  $M \subset \Delta_{r-1}$  be a discrete statistical model and  $(u_1, \dots, u_n) \in \mathbb{N}^r$  a i.i.d data vector

The **likelihood function** is  $L(p \mid u) = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{u_i}$

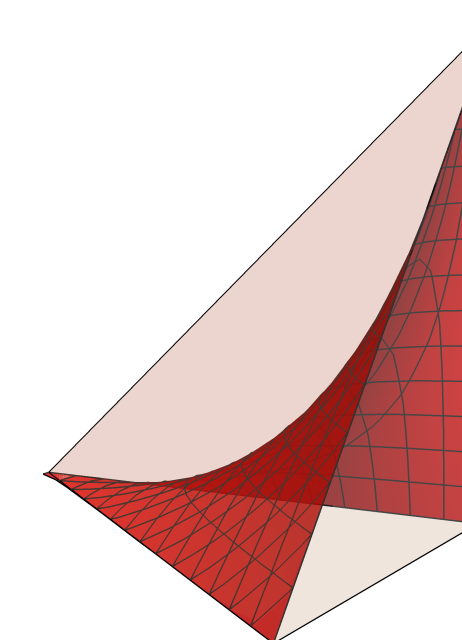
The maximum likelihood estimate (MLE) for  $(u_1, \dots, u_r)$  is

$$\hat{p} = \operatorname{argmax}_{p \in M} L(p \mid u)$$

The function  $\Phi : \mathbb{N}^r \rightarrow M$ ,  $u \mapsto \hat{p}$  is the maximum likelihood estimator.

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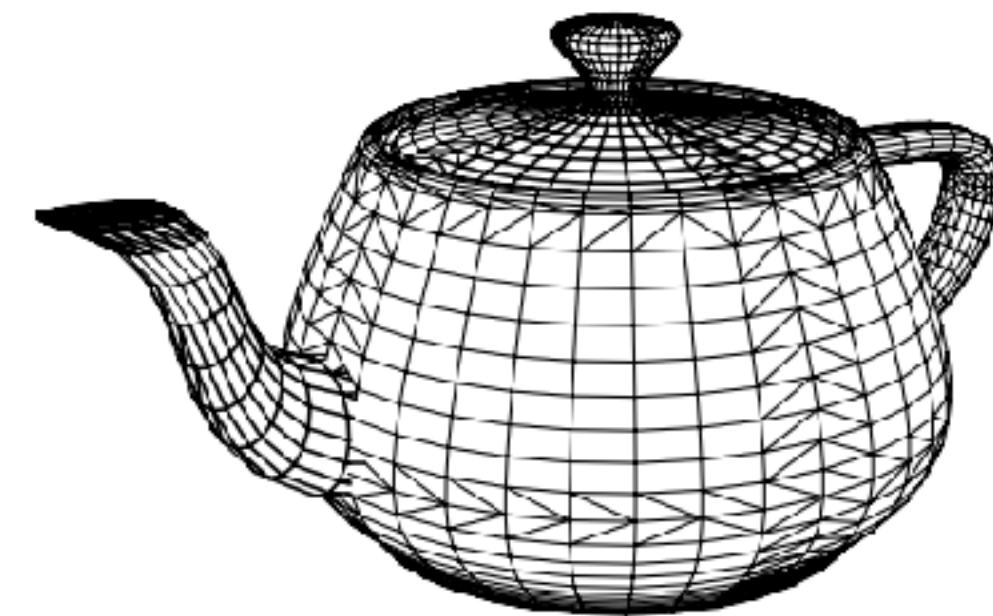
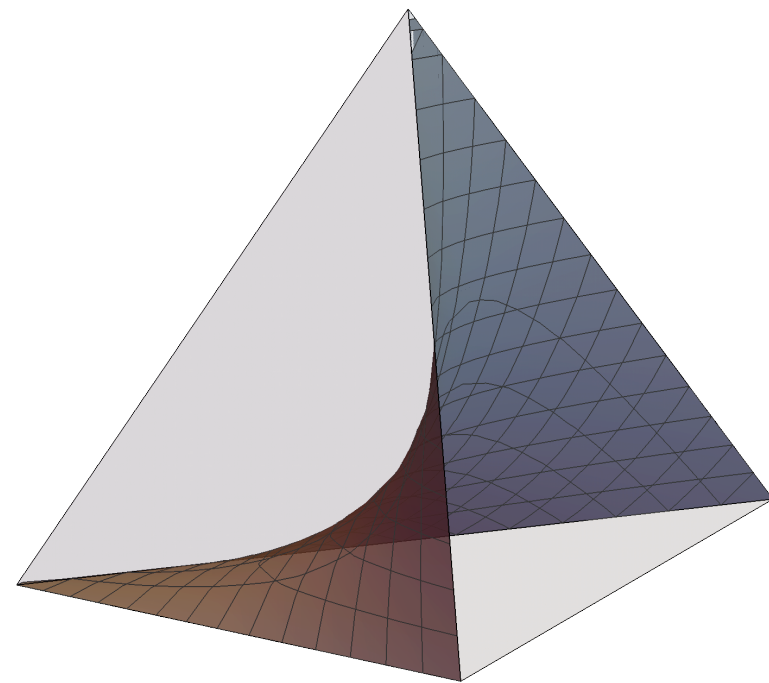
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**GOAL: Classify all log-linear models with rational MLE**

# **Algebraic Statistics**



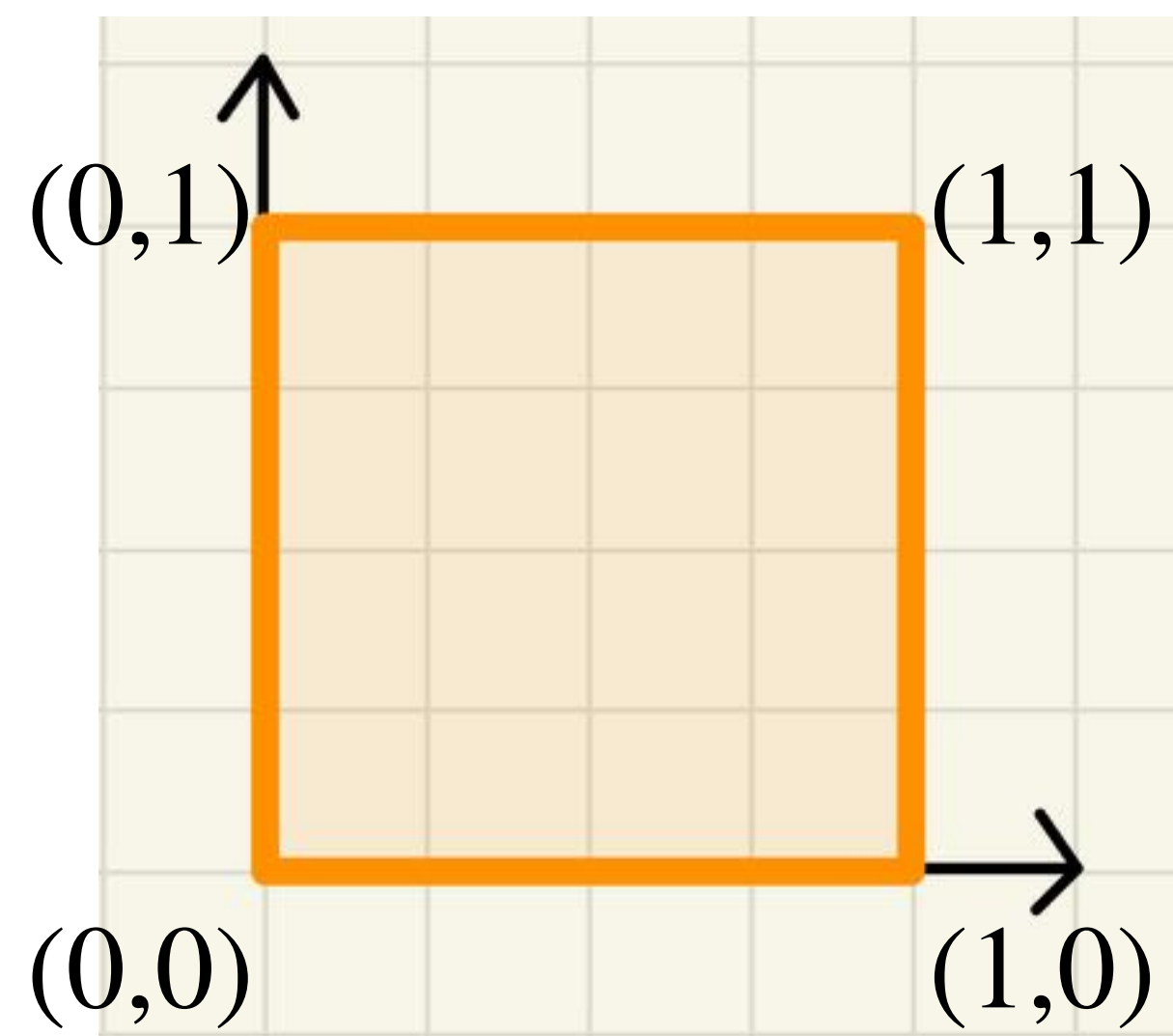
# **Geometric Modeling**



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$$P = \text{conv}(a_1, \dots, a_r) \text{ where } a_j \text{ is the } j\text{-th column of } A$$

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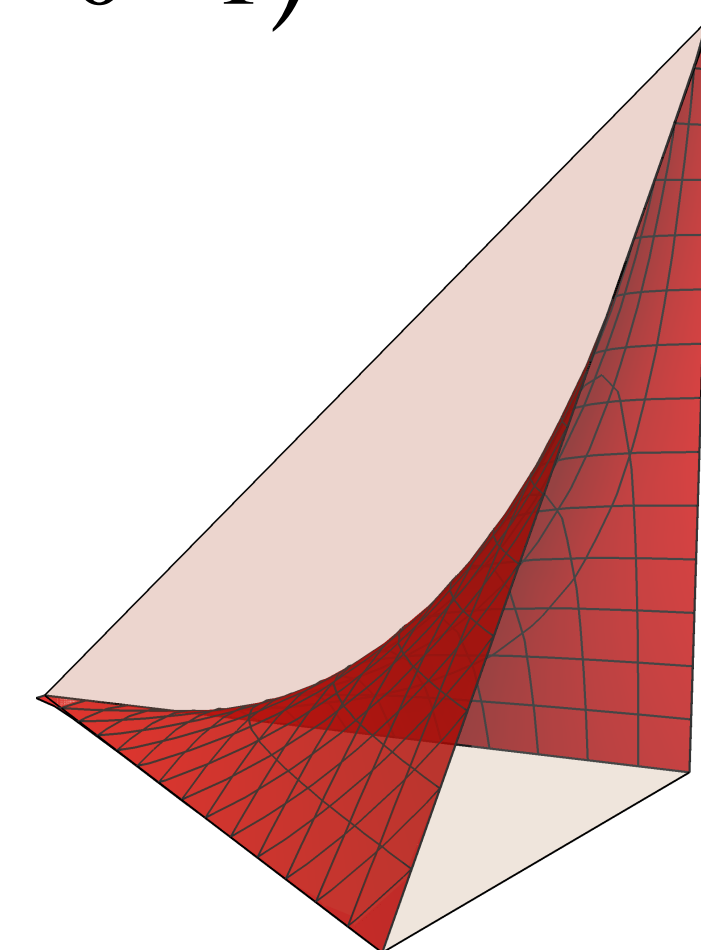


$$(s_0, s_1, t_0, t_1) \mapsto (s_0 t_0, s_0 t_1, s_1 t_0, s_1 t_1)$$

**Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE)**

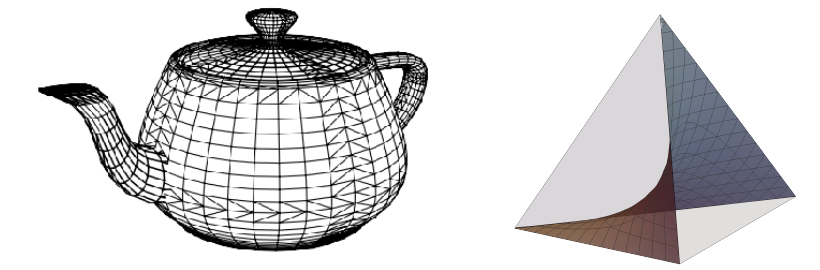
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Garcia-Puente and Sottile (Adv. Comput. Math 2009)



D. Cox and P. Clarke (2020): Give characterization of pairs  $(P, w)$  that have strict linear precision.

Method of proof:

Horn matrices associated to statistical models with rational MLE

Questions:

- 🕒 How does the Horn matrix relate to the geometry of the polytope?
- 🕒 Does the normal fan of the polytope relate to the Horn matrix via primitive collections?
- 🕒 Classify Horn matrices of polytopes with rational linear precision.

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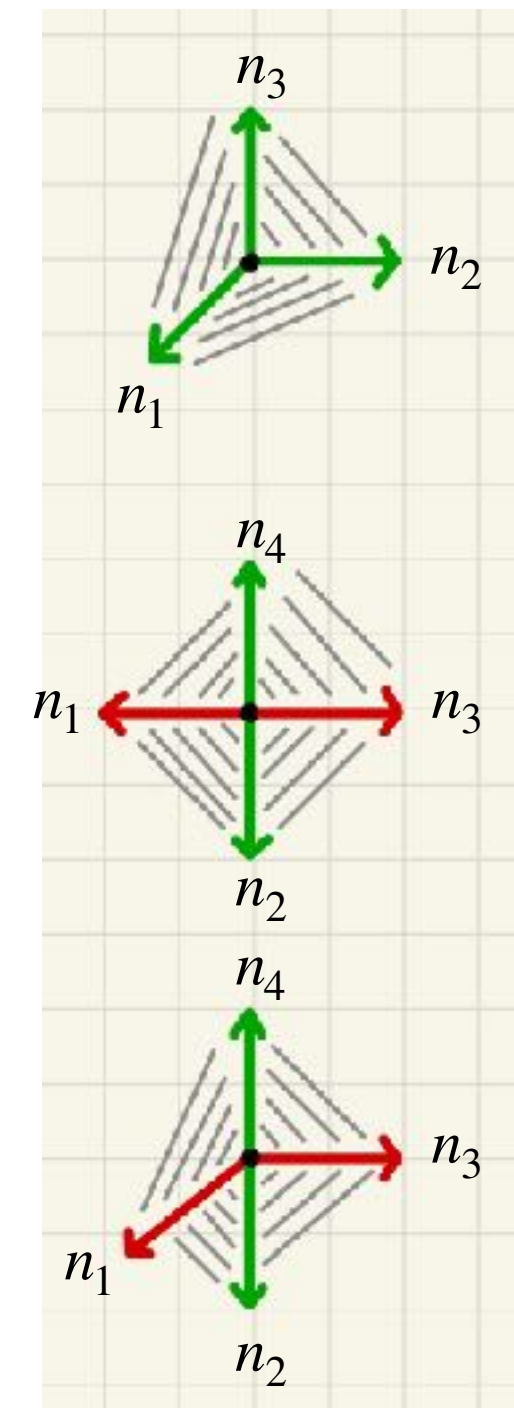
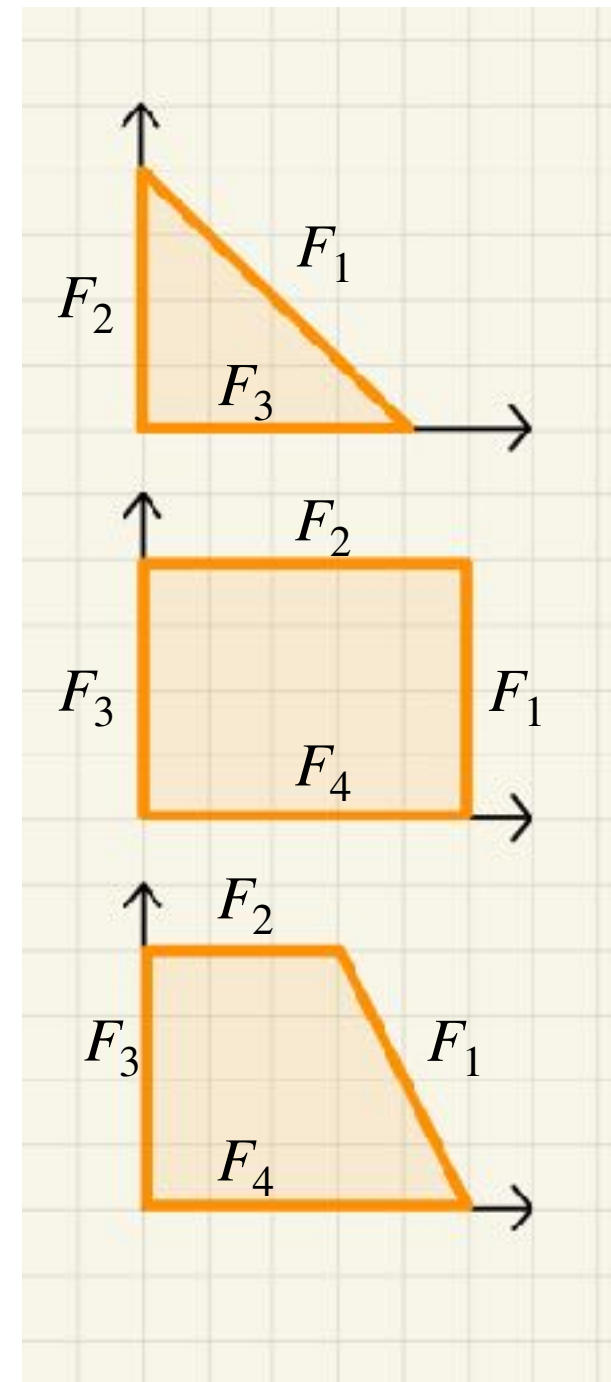
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**Duarte**, Marigliano, Sturmfels (Bernoulli 2020)

# Breakout rooms

- How to construct a Horn pair  $(H, \lambda)$  ?
- Write down some Horn matrix that comes to mind. Is it the MLE of a statistical model for a suitable  $\lambda$  ?
- How to obtain the Horn matrices from the picture?



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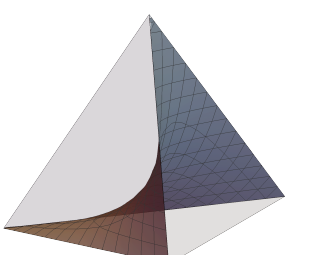
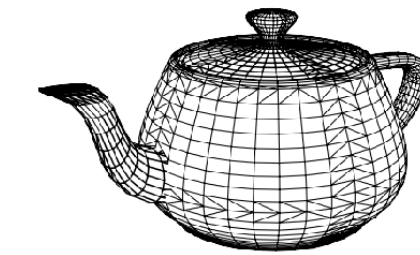


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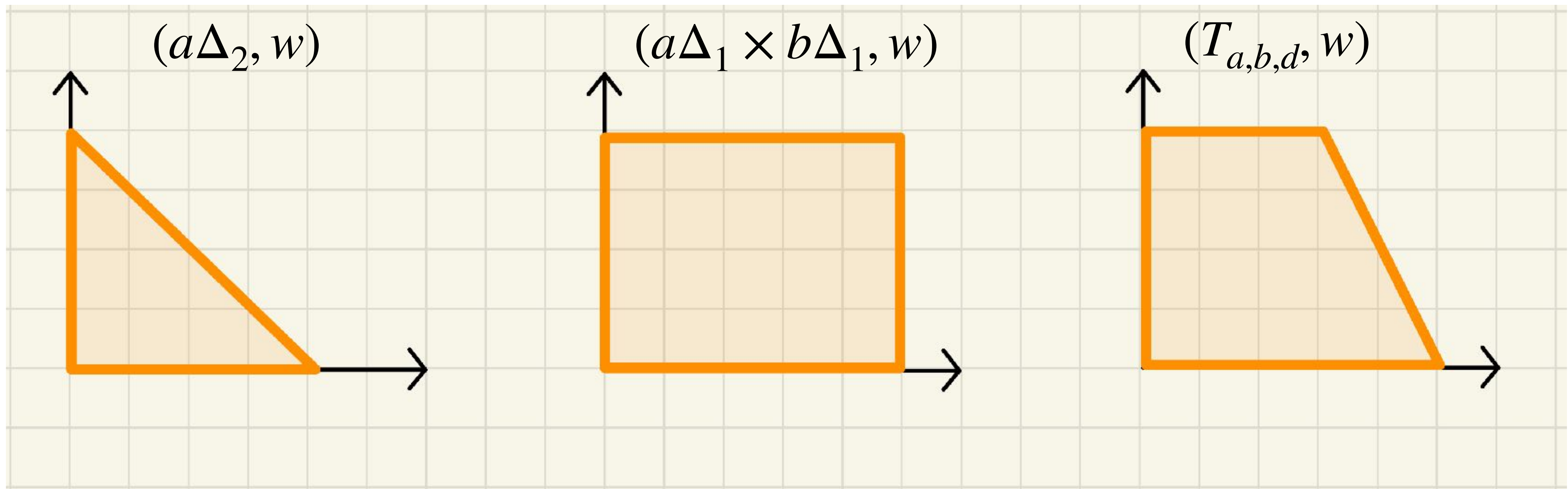
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# Polytopes with rational linear precision in dimension two



Bezier triangle patch

Tensor product patch

Trapezoidal patch

# Normal Fans and primitive collections

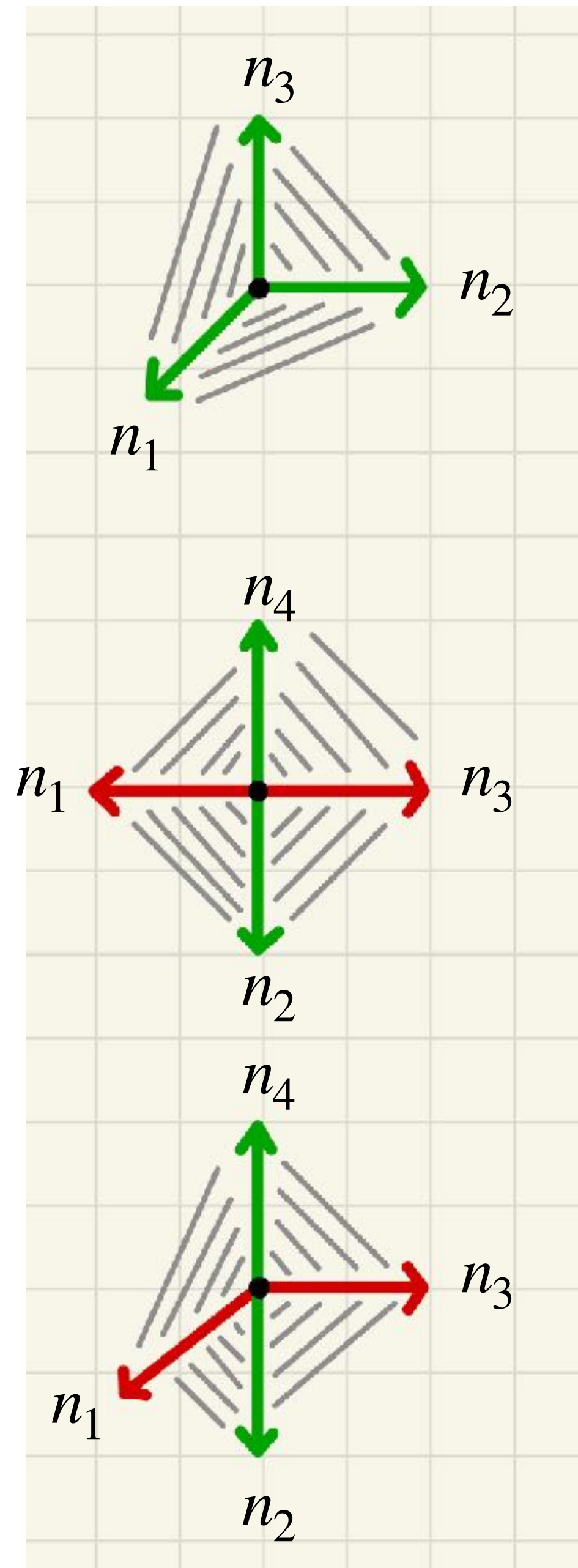
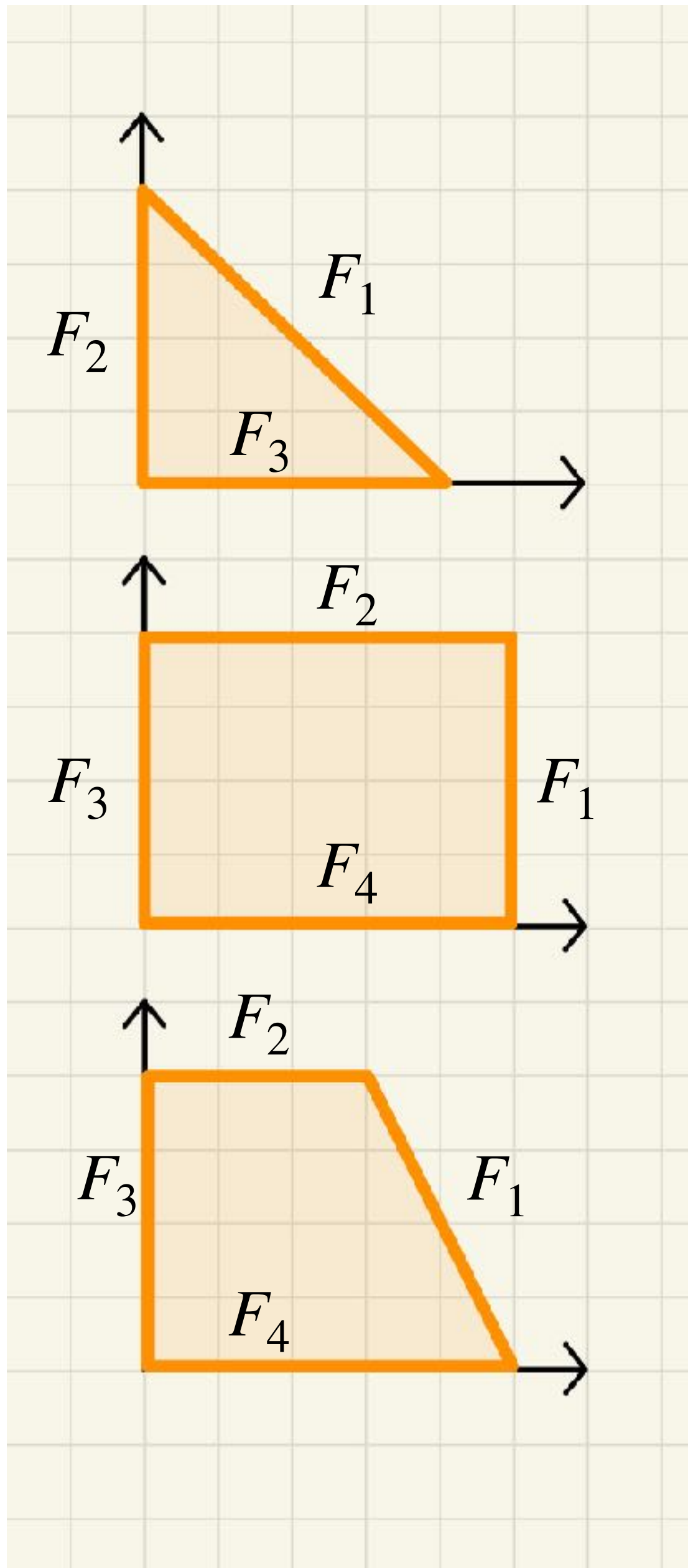
A fan  $\Sigma$  in  $N_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a finite collection of cones such that:

- (1) Every  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  is a strongly convex rational polyhedral cone.
- (2) For each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ , each face of  $\sigma$  is also in  $\Sigma$ .
- (3) For all  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \Sigma$ , the intersection  $\sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2$  is a face of each.

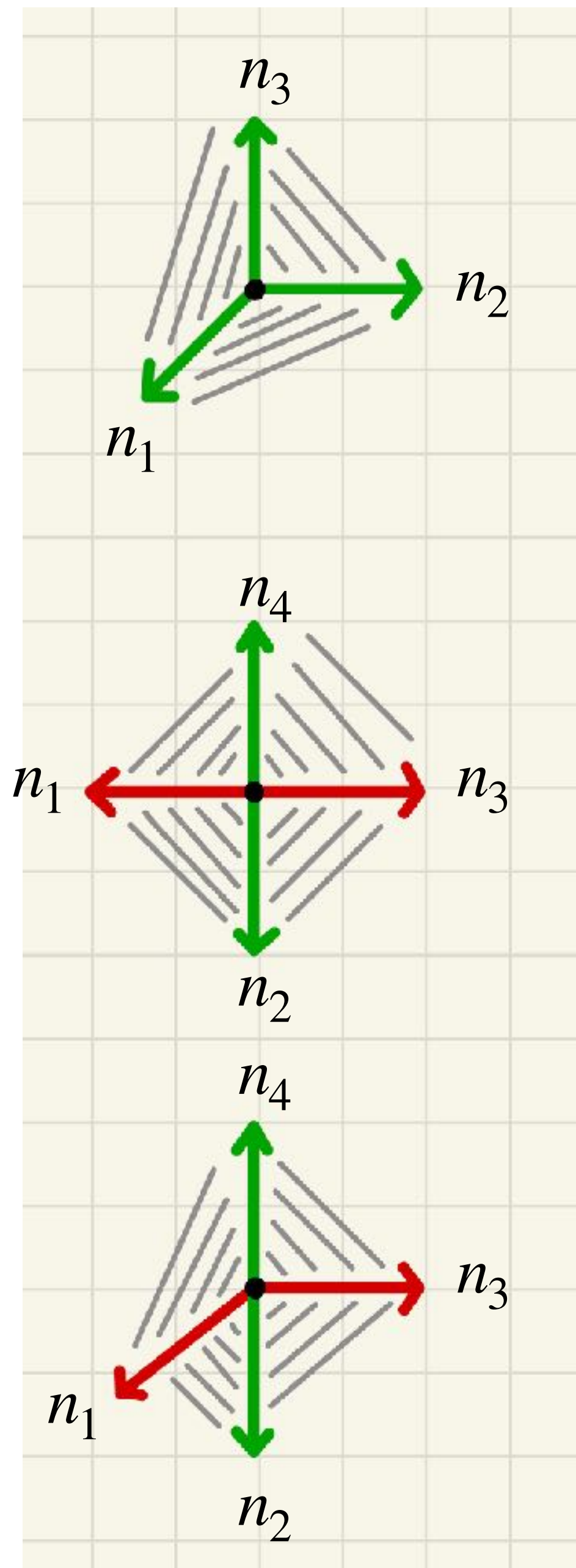
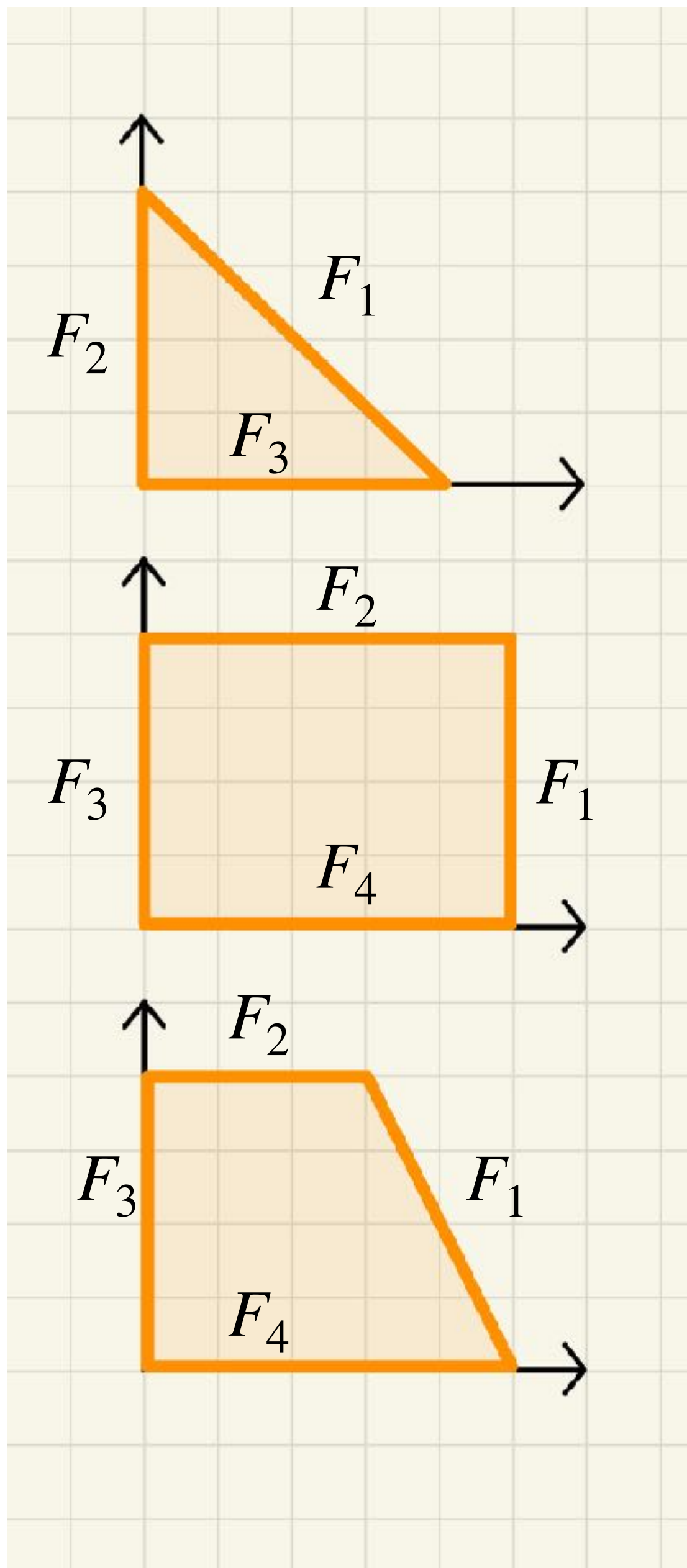
$\Sigma(1) :=$  one-dimensional faces

A subset  $C \subset \Sigma(1)$  is a **primitive collection** if:

- (a)  $C \not\subseteq \sigma(1)$  for all  $\sigma \in \Sigma$ ,
- (b) For every proper subset  $C' \subsetneq C$  there is  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  with  $C' \subset \sigma(1)$







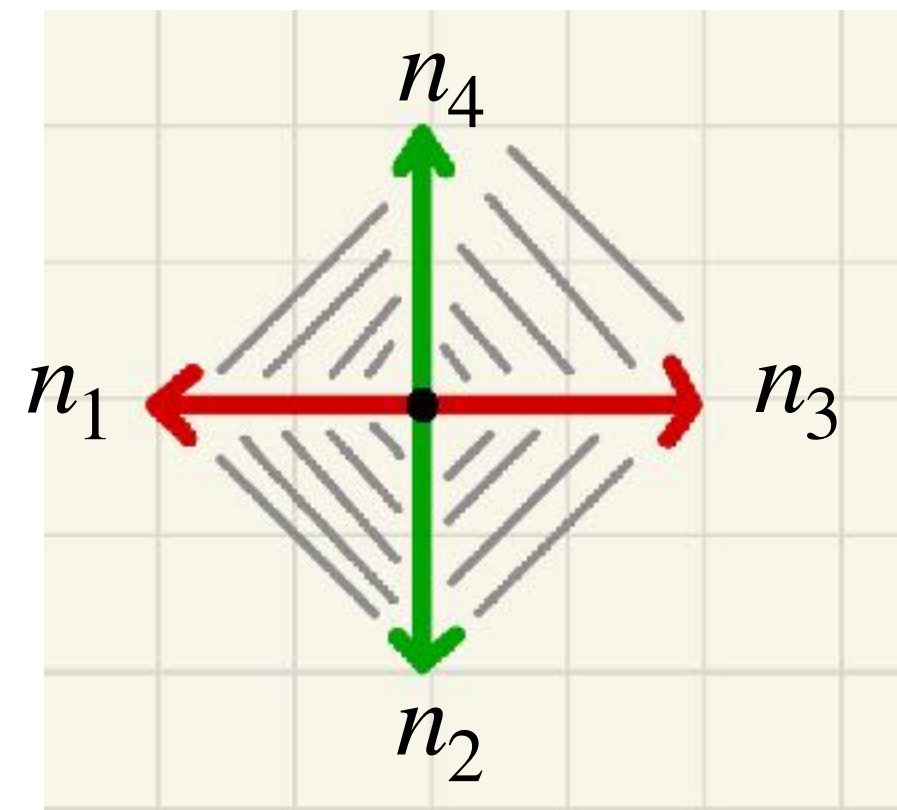
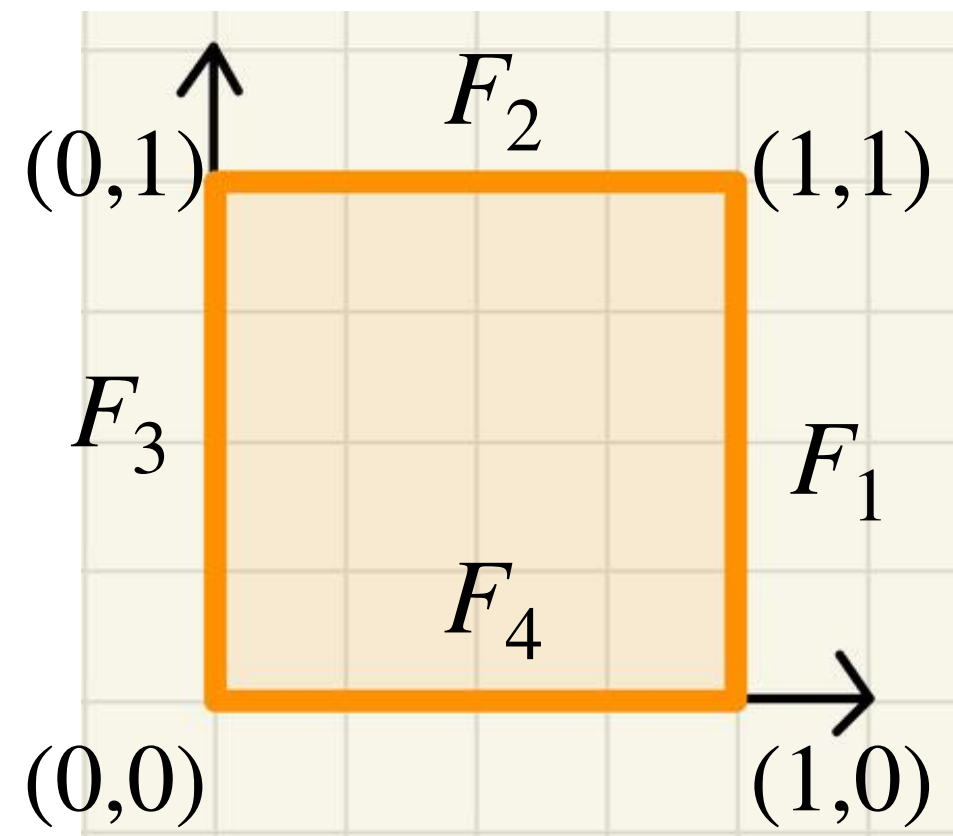
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where  $h_i(m_j)$  is the lattice distance from  $F_i$  to the lattice point  $m_j$ . The negative rows are obtained by adding the faces in the same primitive collection.



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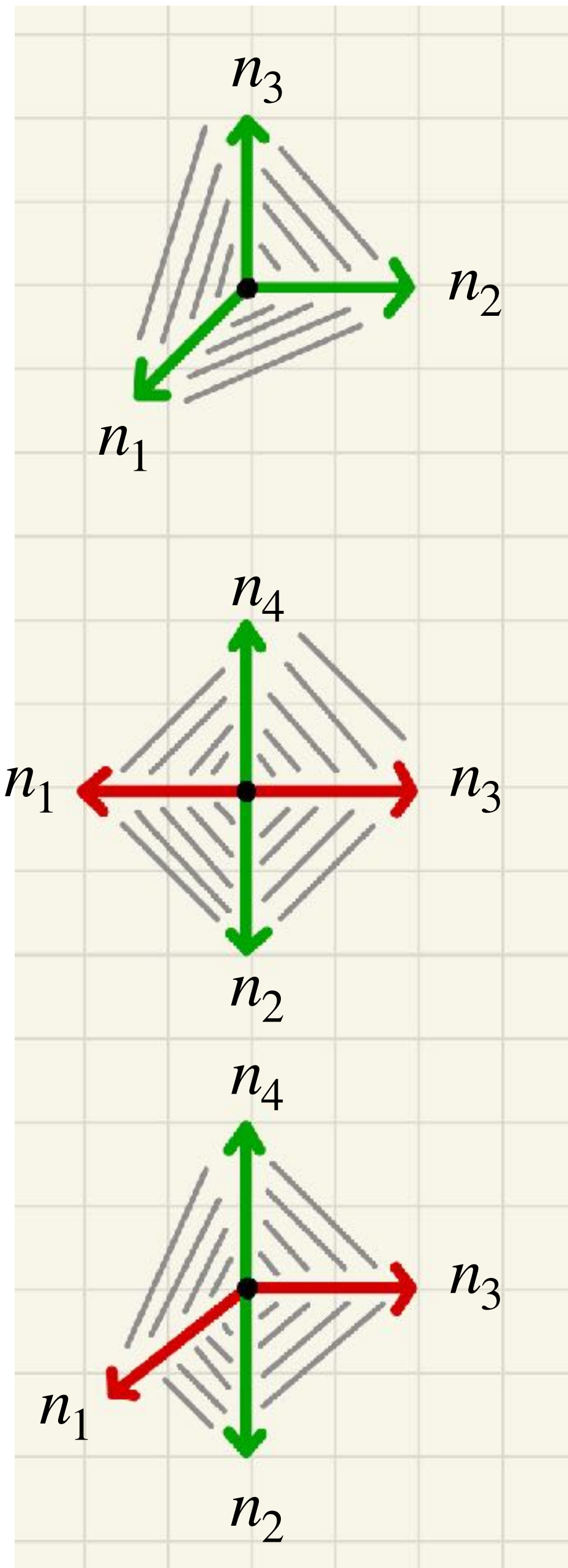
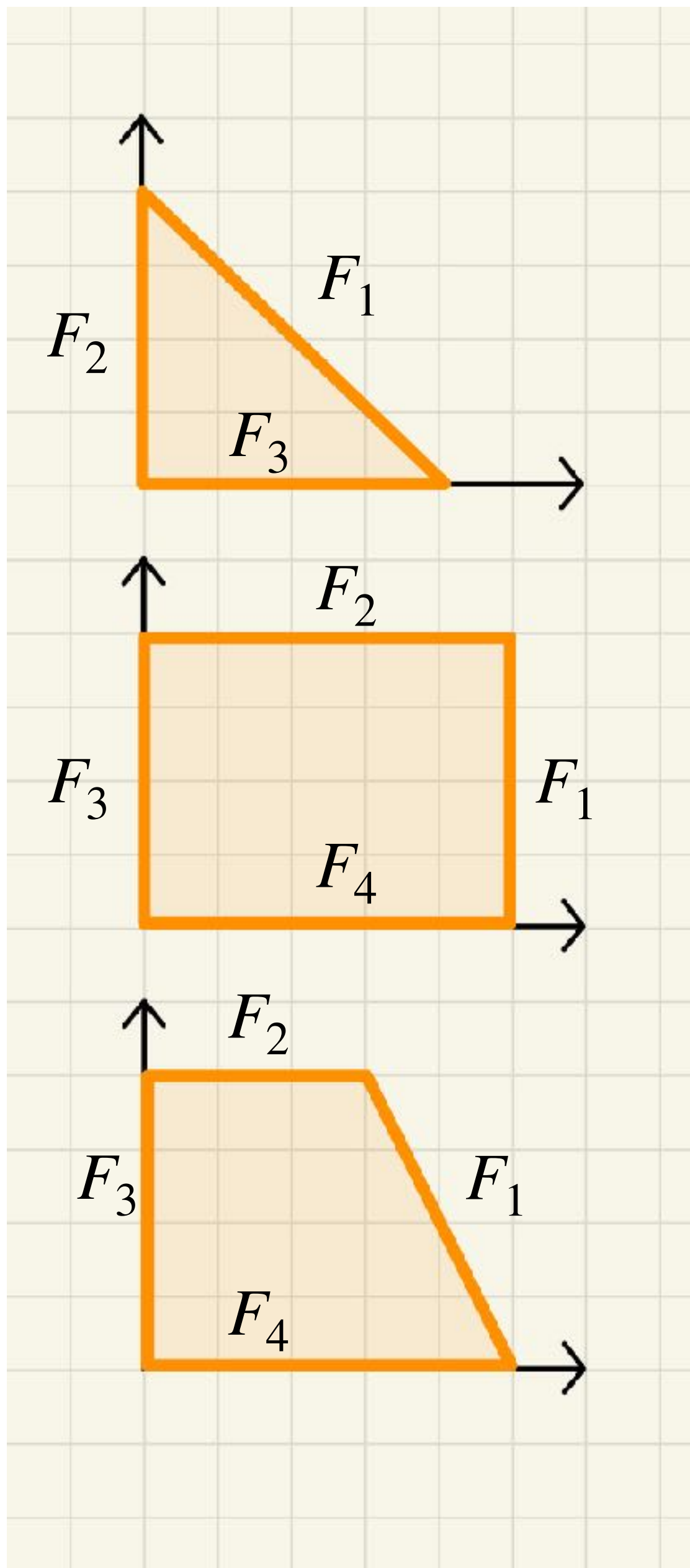


$$\begin{matrix} & (0,0) & (1,0) & (0,1) & (1,1) \\ \begin{matrix} F_2 \\ F_4 \\ F_3 \\ F_1 \\ -(F_2 + F_4) \\ -(F_1 + F_3) \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}, \quad \lambda = (1, 1, 1, 1)$$

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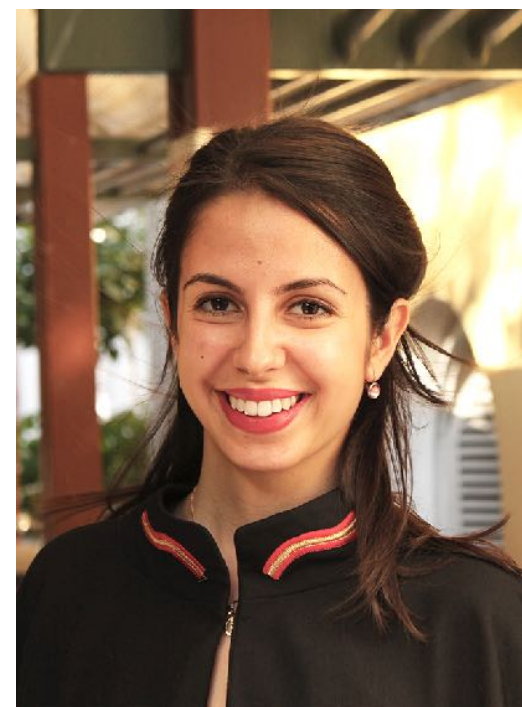
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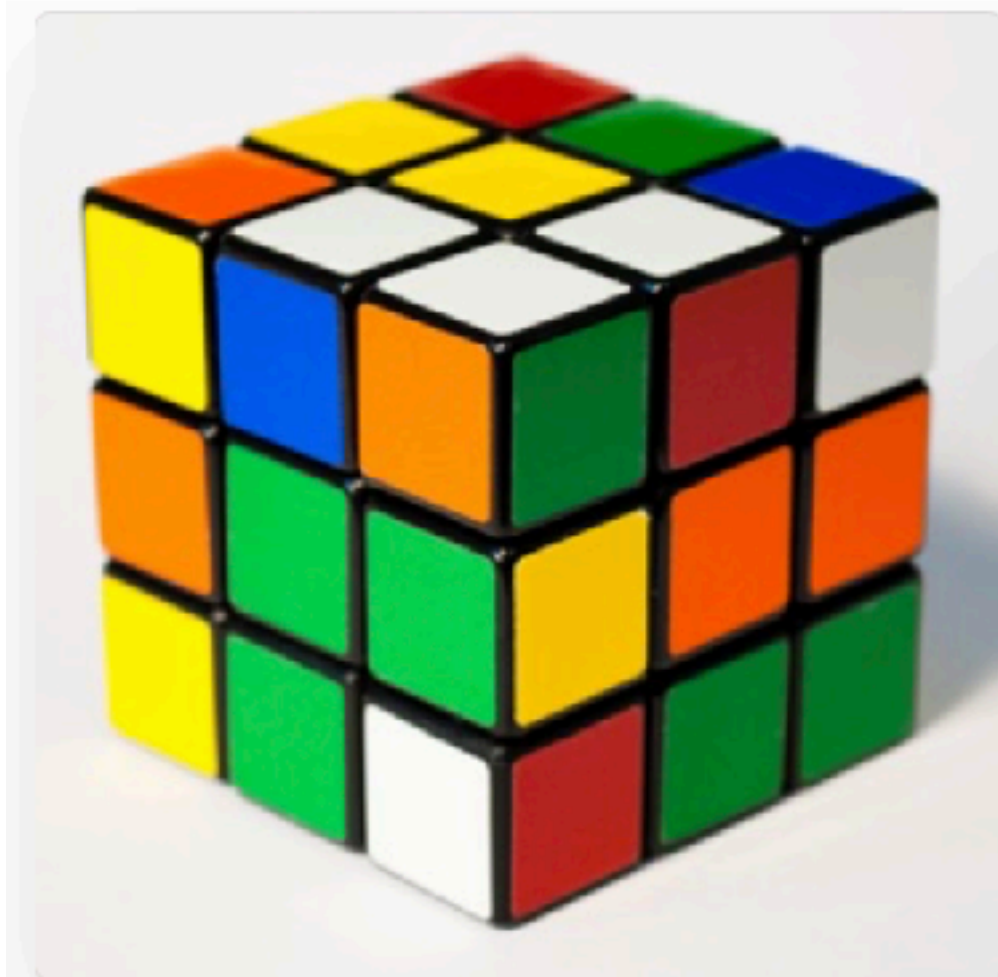
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