

Vectors and Vector Operations

- Points

- Space

- Coordinate system(s)

- Vectors

dimensionless

That which has no part. -Euclid

Represented by ordered pair

(a, b, c)

Point

(a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h)

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number of classes of
these objects will tell you the
number of dimensions of space {

space of fruits
space of students
space of cars

Set with some added structure

This must be where
Transformers lived

- ~~made out of~~
points
- all the points are unique
- space can be described for any set of objects

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type of
— Space with defined
properties (geometric)

Cartesian
polar
Cylindrical
Spherical

Mathematicians

- Points *Objects that follow certain rules.*
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Physicists

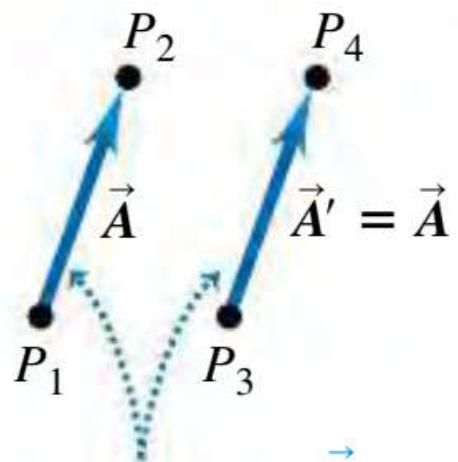
tools to represent quantities specific in direction.

Computer scientists

- array of object
- points in dataset

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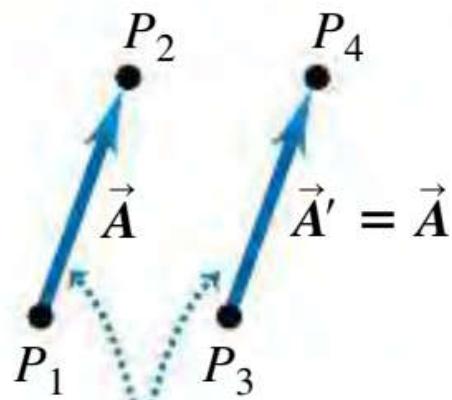
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Vectors may also contain information of the evolution

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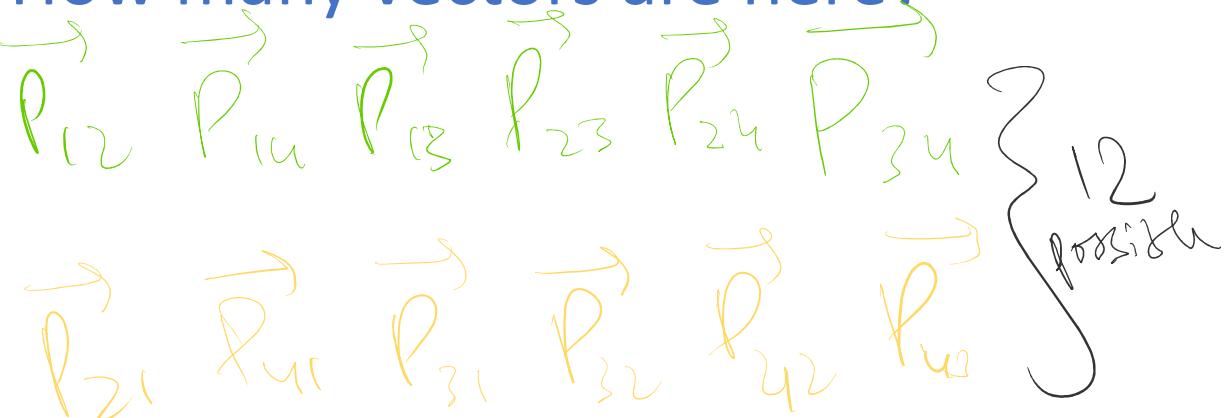


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negative
vector

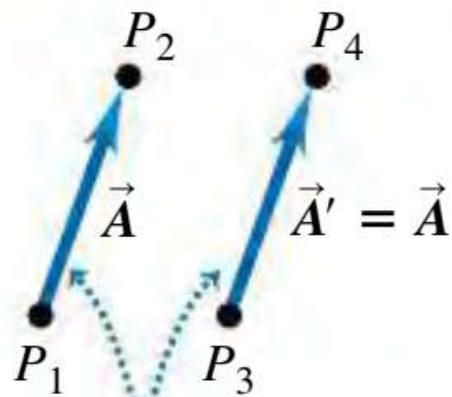
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How many vectors are here?



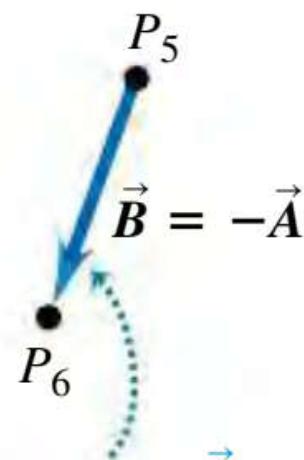
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possible

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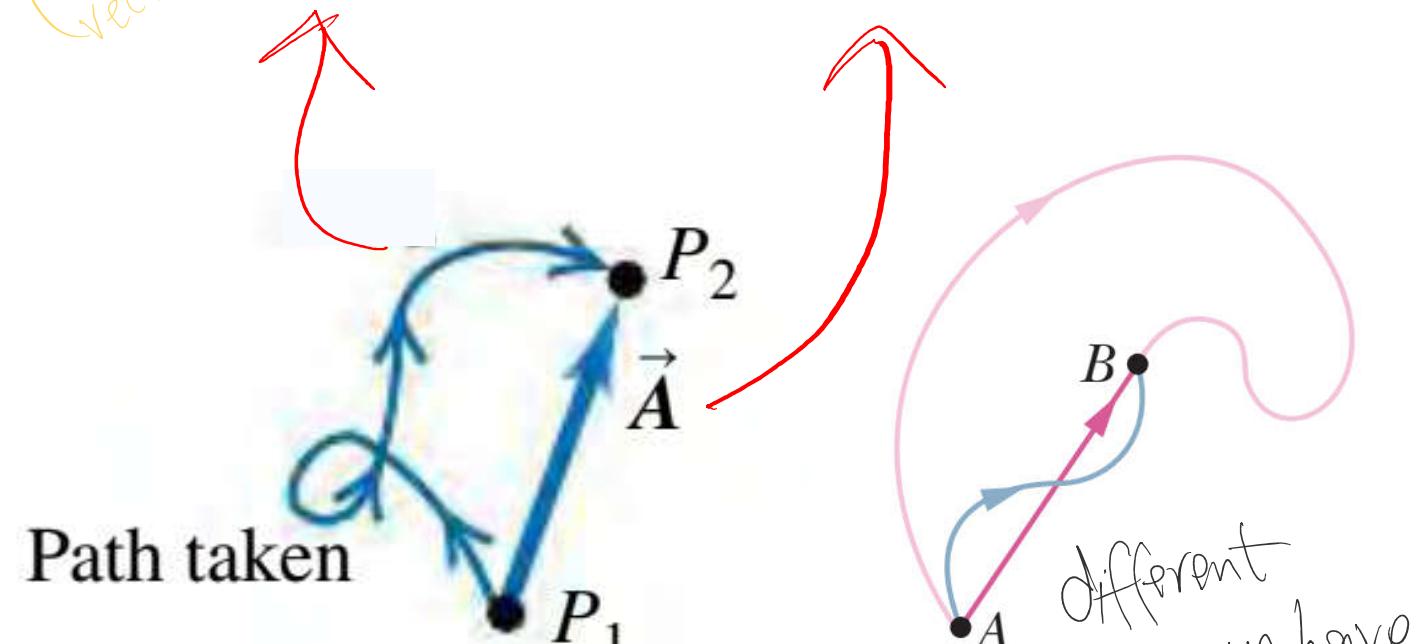
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Displacement \vec{B} has the same magnitude as \vec{A} but opposite direction; \vec{B} is the negative of \vec{A} .

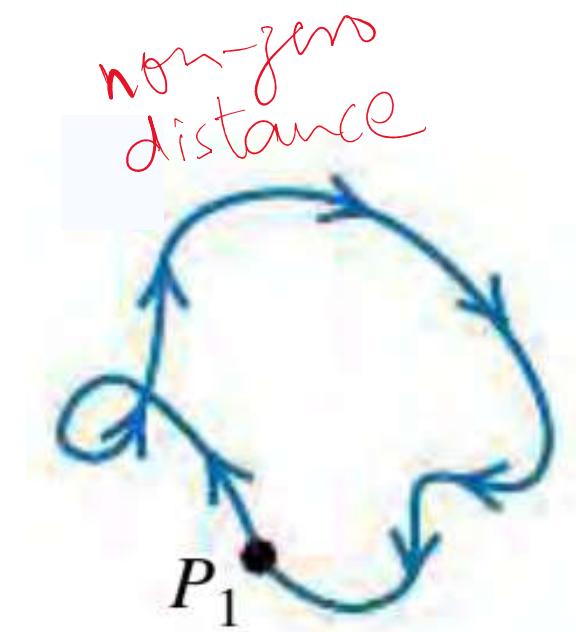
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Distance and Displacement



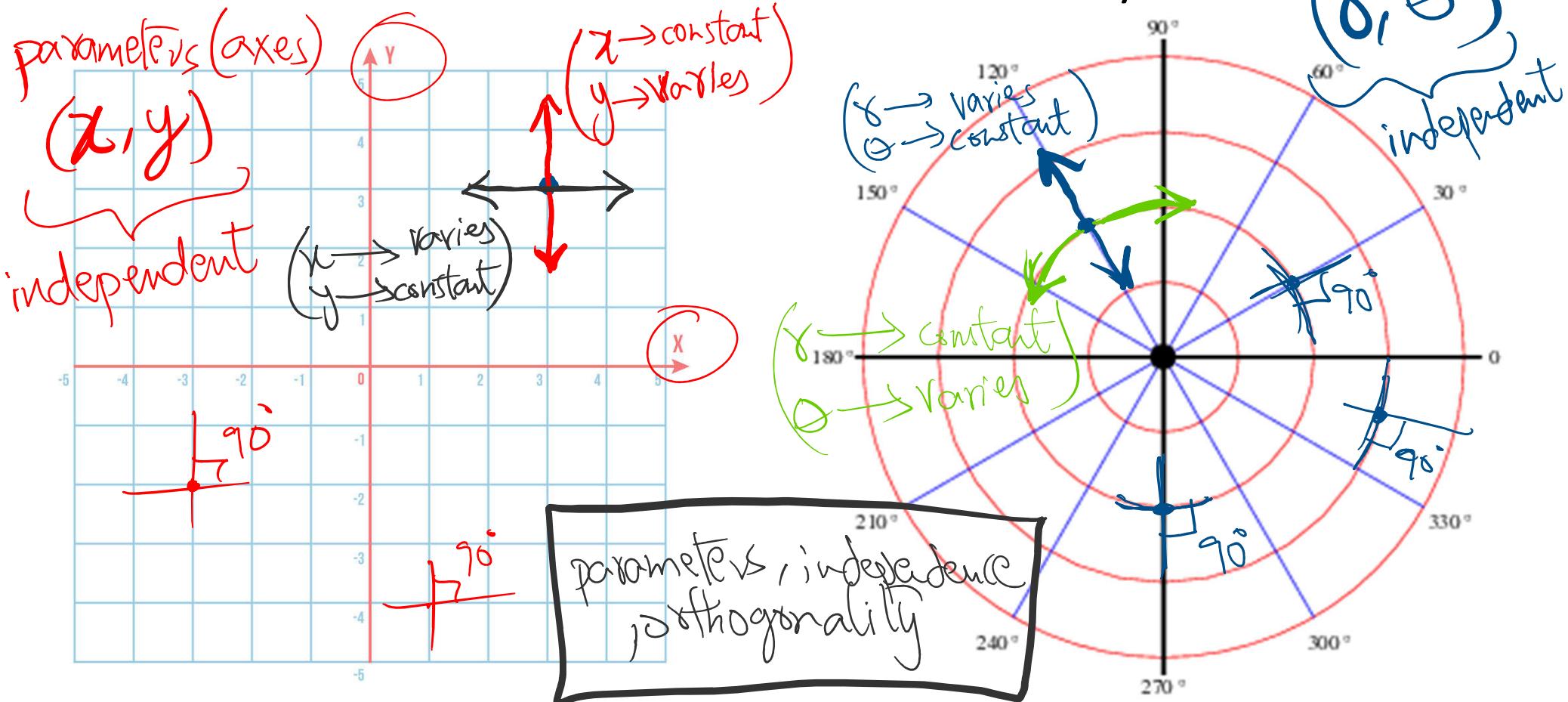
Path taken

different paths may have different distance values

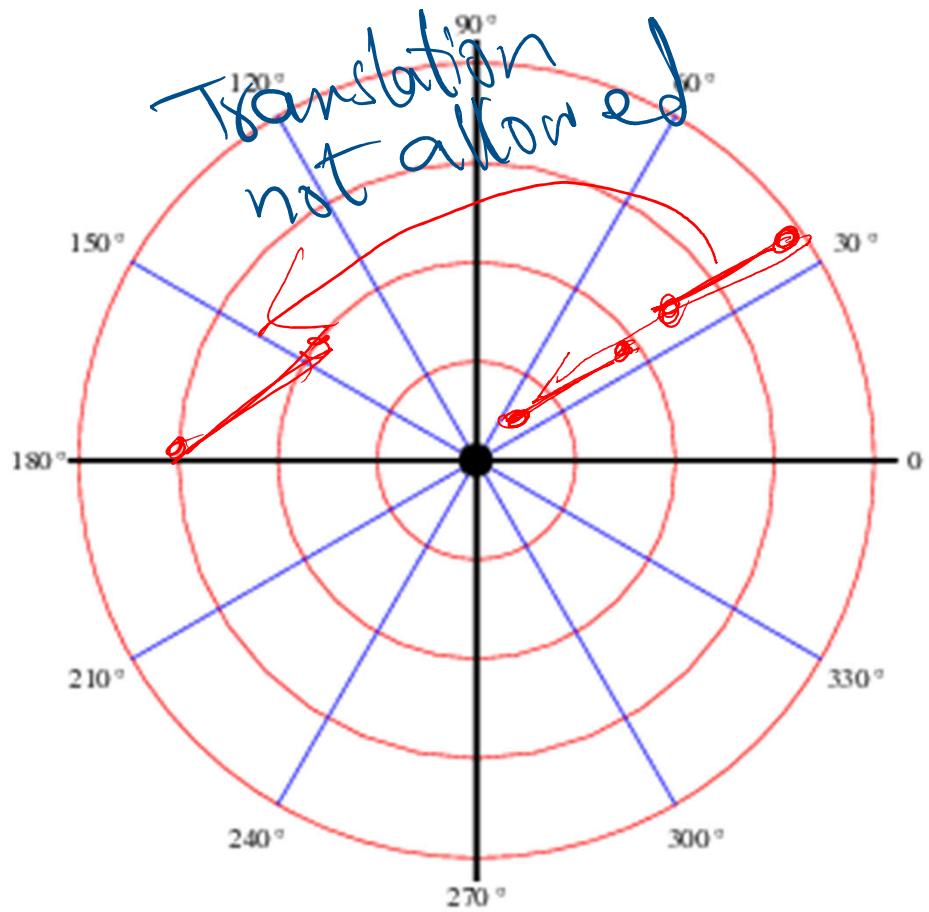
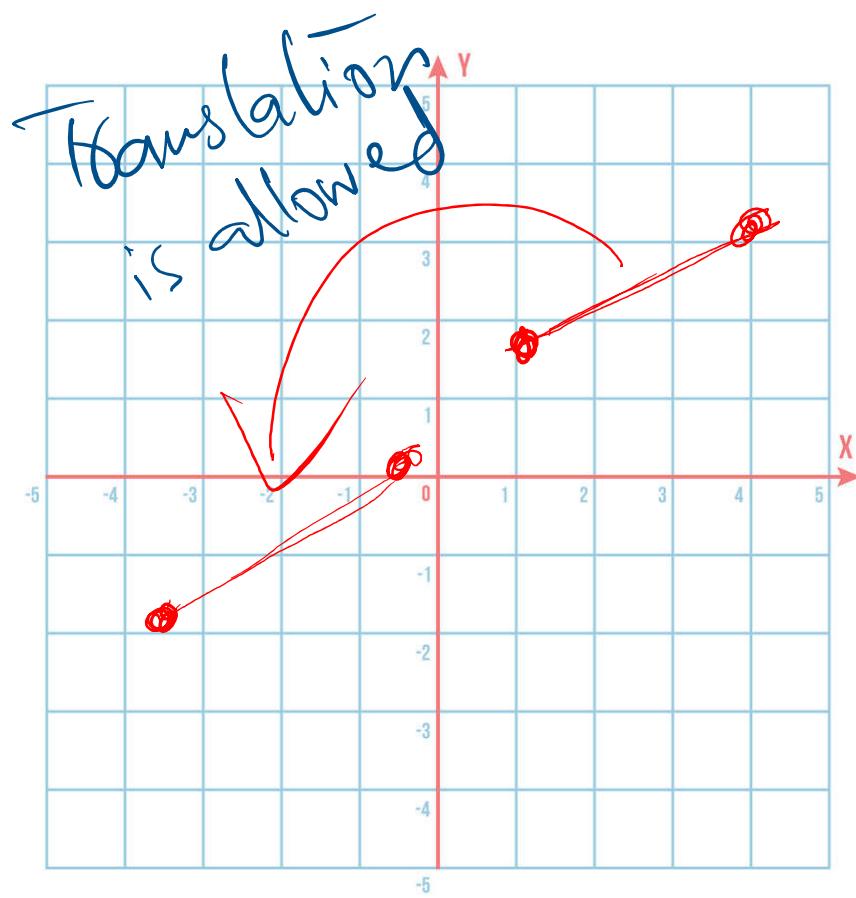


Zero displacement

Vectors are drawn in coordinates systems

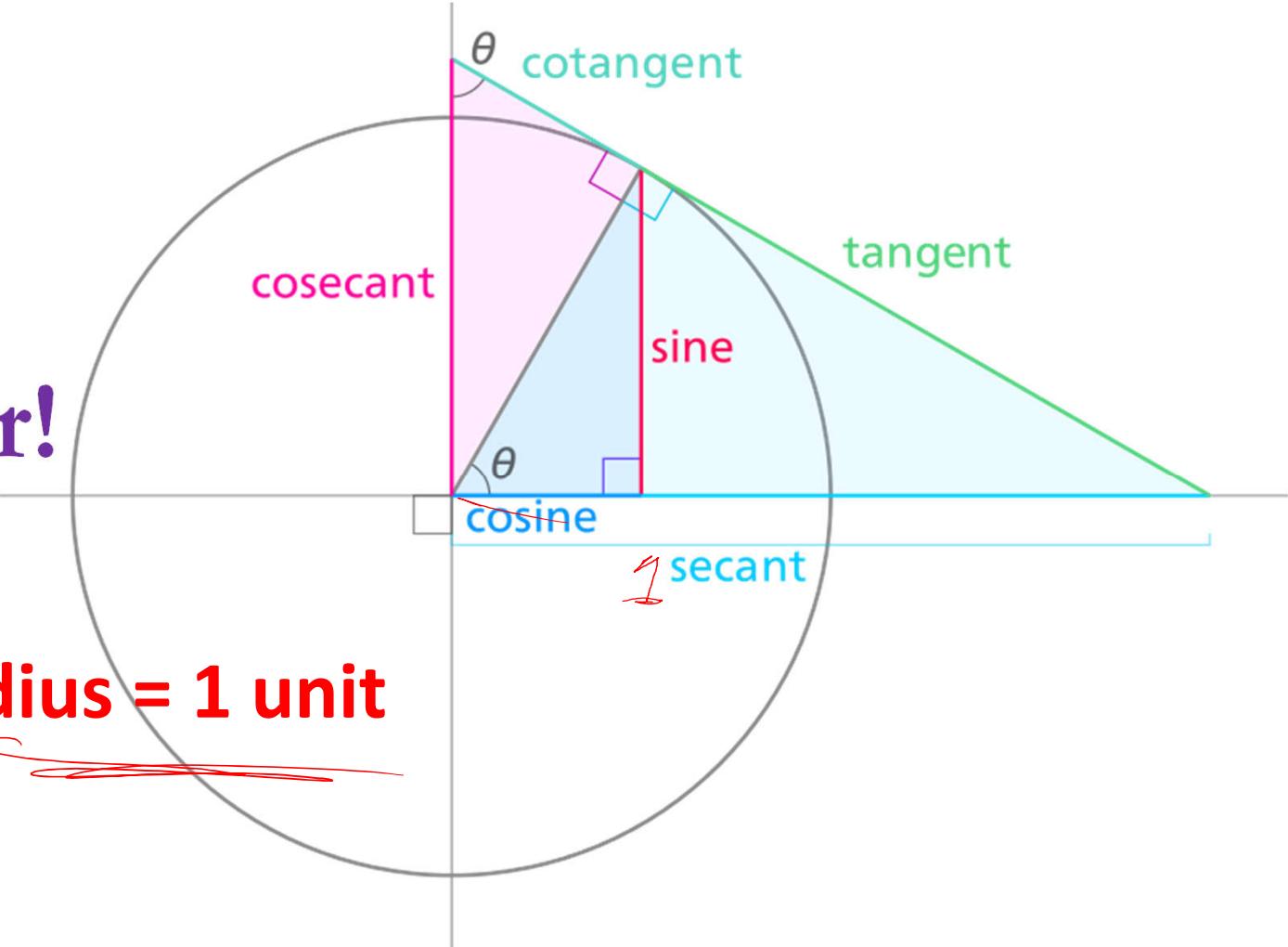


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A gentle Reminder!

Unit circle; **radius = 1 unit**

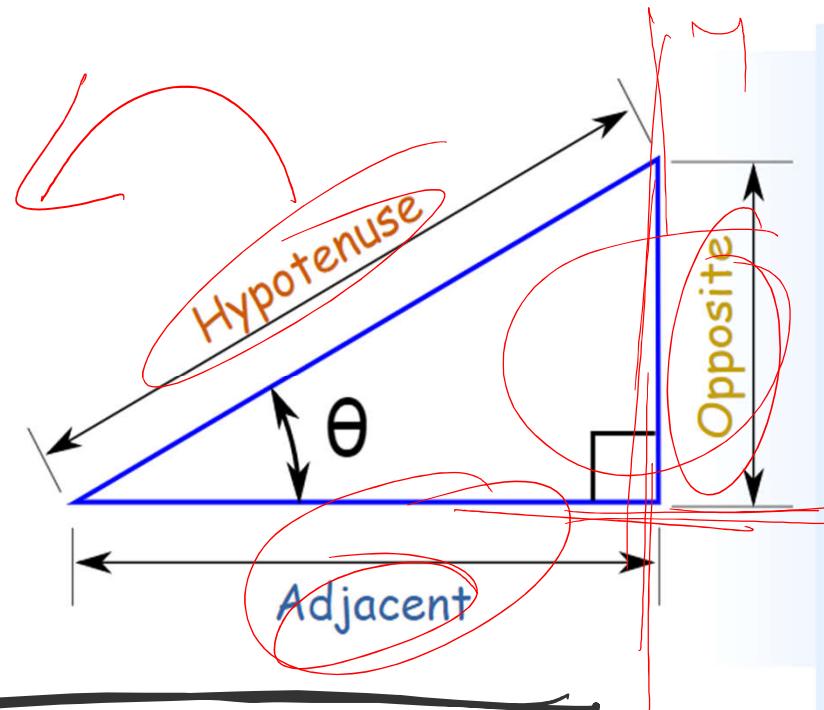


still just a reminder!

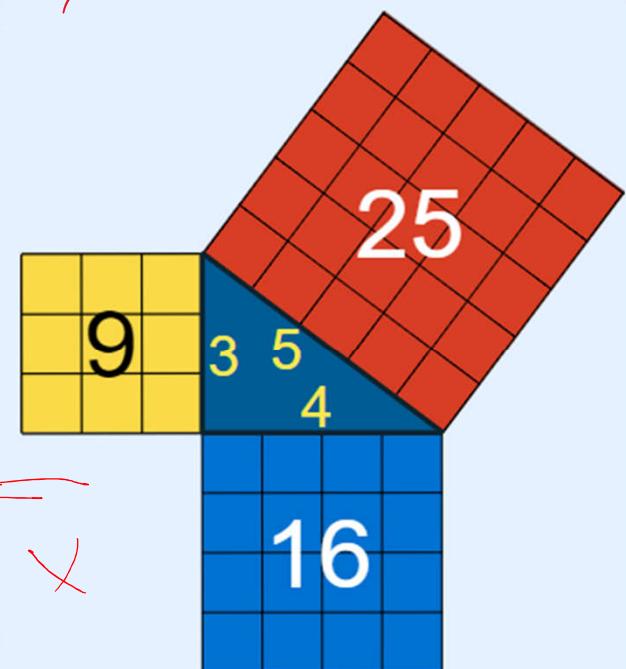
$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Hypotenuse}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{Adjacent}}{\text{Hypotenuse}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Adjacent}}$$

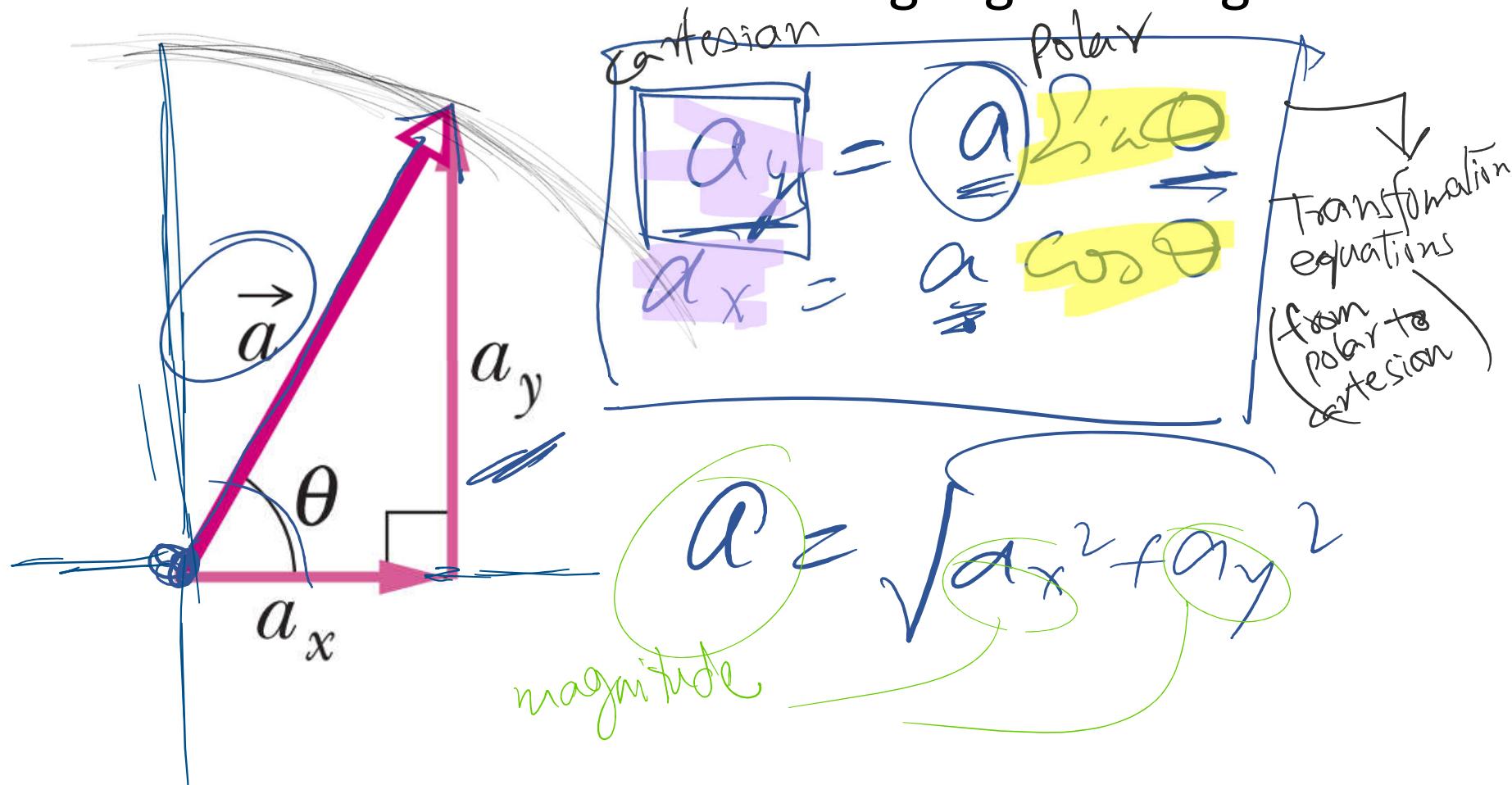


Pythagoras theorem



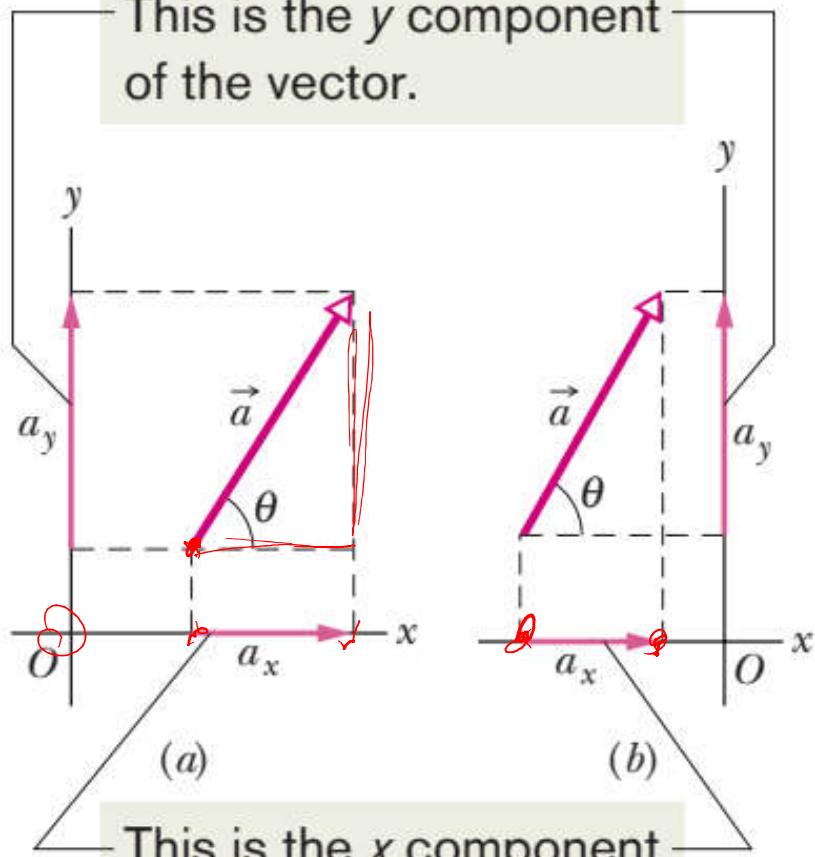
Problem-Solving Tactics, book pg#45

Combined form of a vector using Right-Triangle



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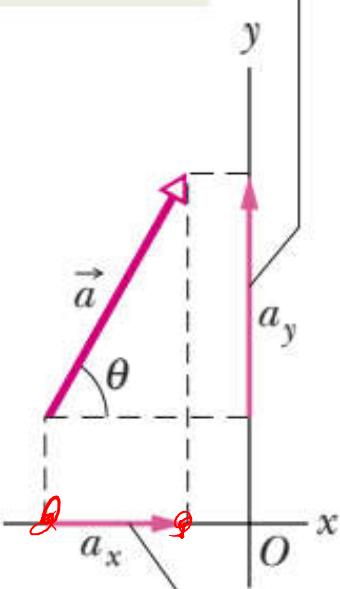
This is the y component of the vector.



(a)

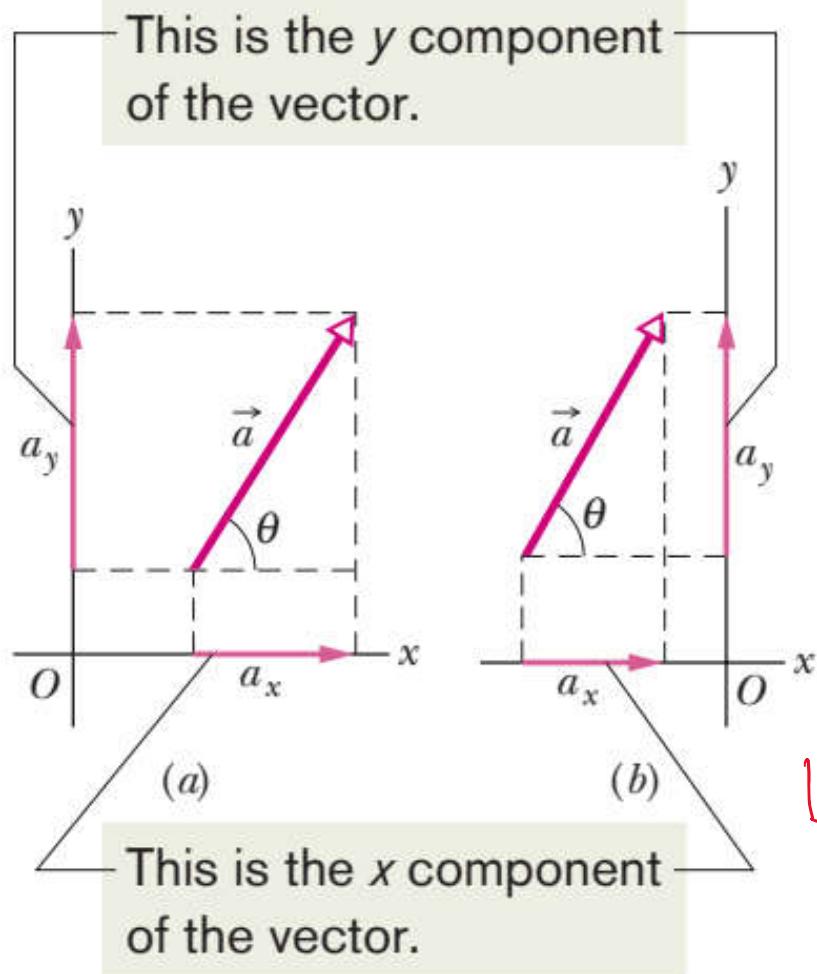
This is the x component of the vector.

Vectors are essentially independent of the position



(b)

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Vectors are essentially independent of the position

angle from horizontal

$$a_x = a \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad a_y = a \sin \theta,$$

$$a = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{a_y}{a_x}$$

length direction
tan repeats some angles.

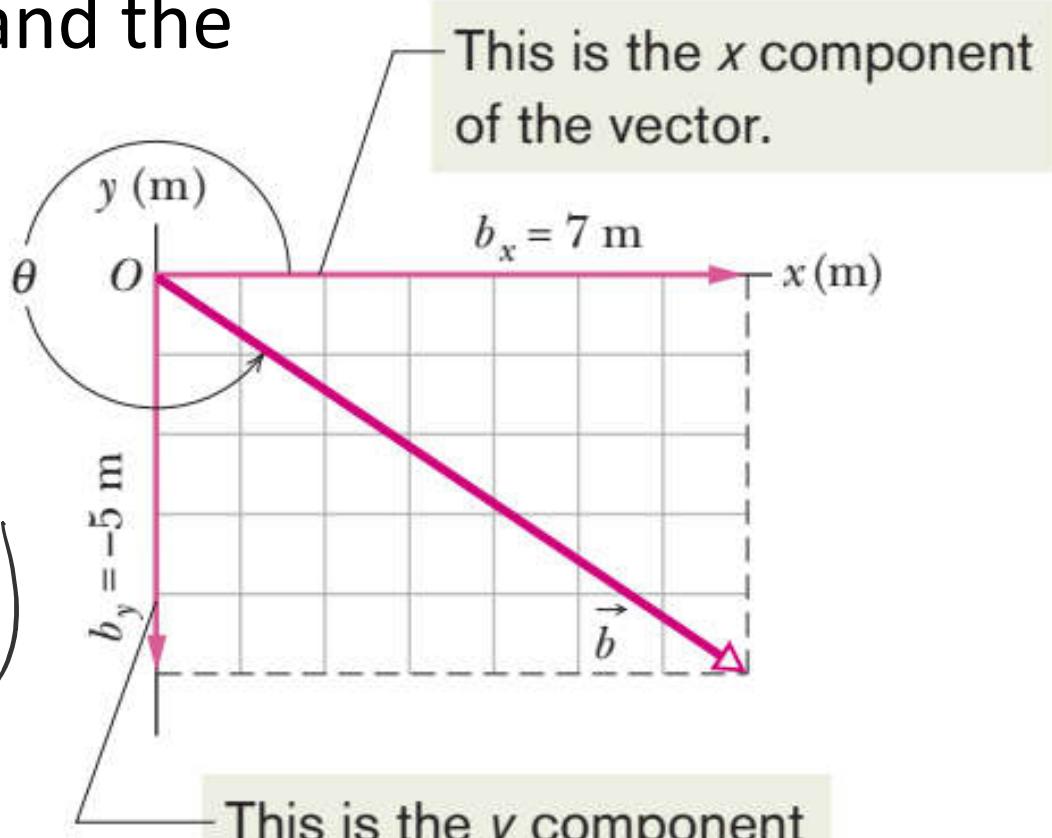
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Find length of the vector \vec{b} and the unknown angle θ .

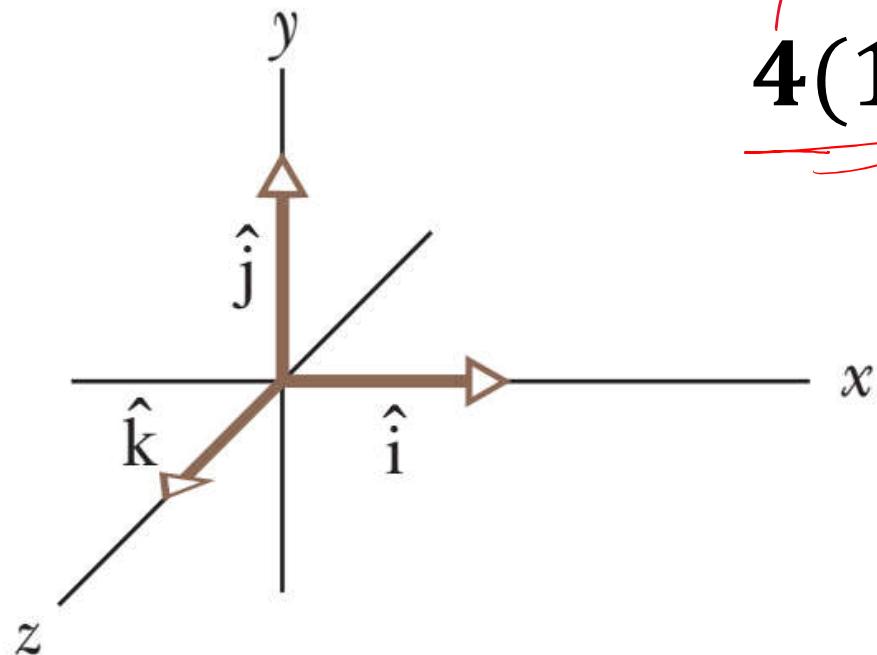
$$b = \sqrt{b_x^2 + b_y^2}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{b_y}{b_x} \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b_y}{b_x}\right)$$

$$\theta =$$



Concept of unit vectors

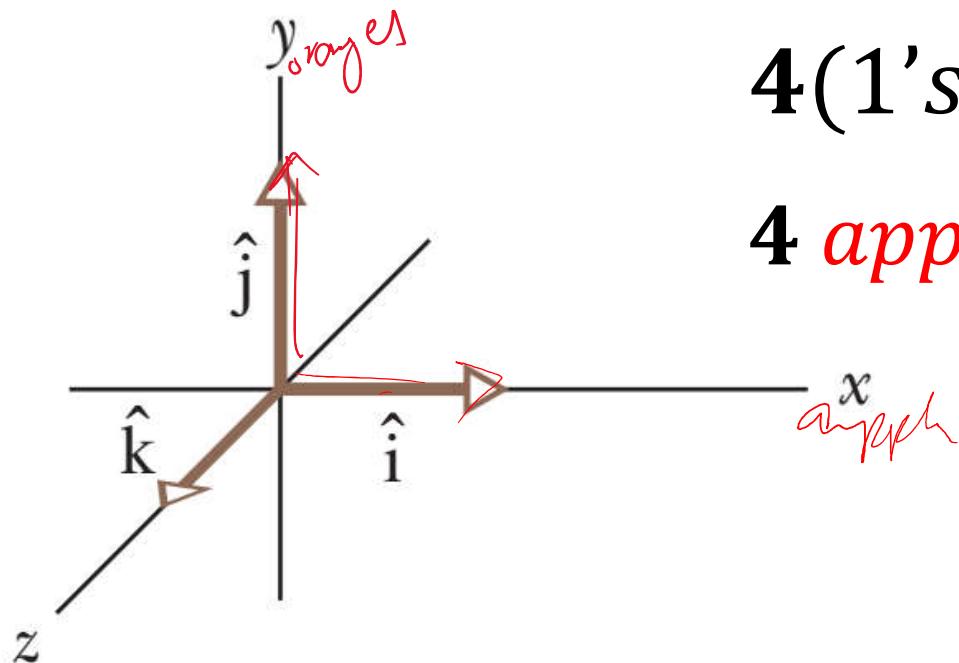


Quantity

$$4(1's) + 3(1's) = 7(1's)$$

unit objects

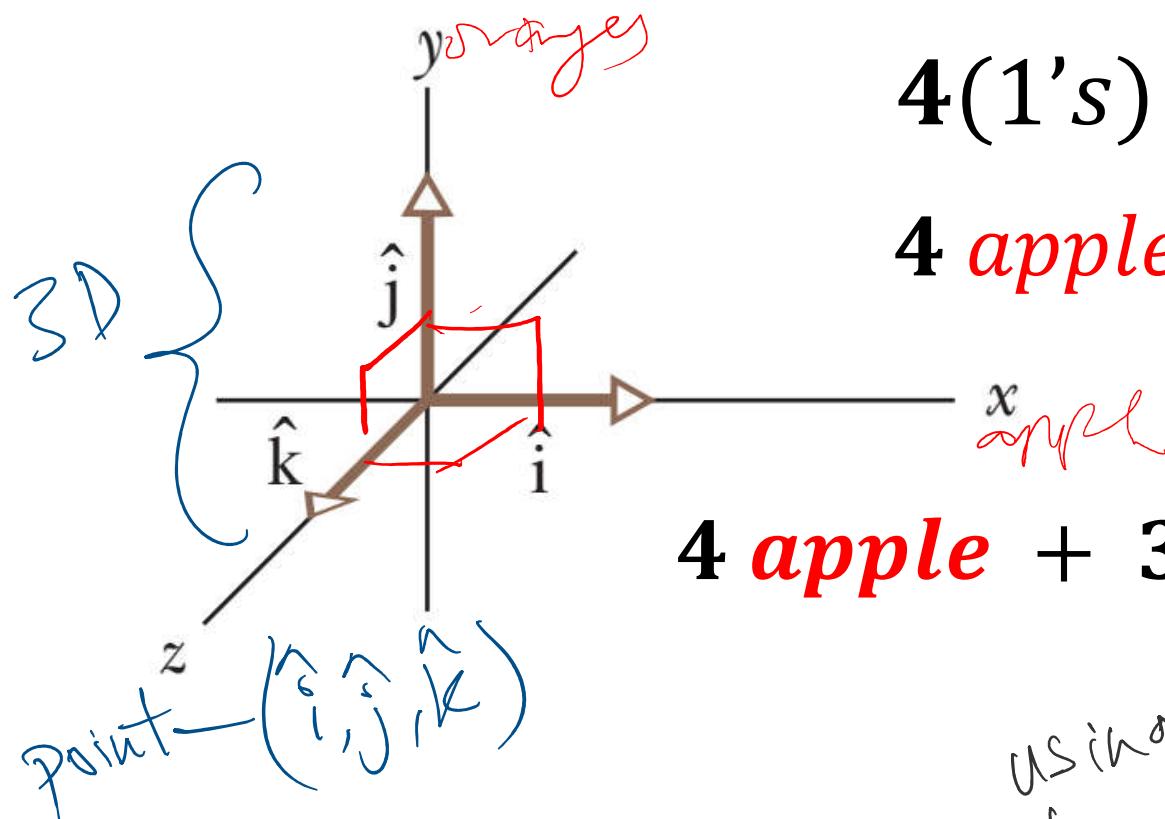
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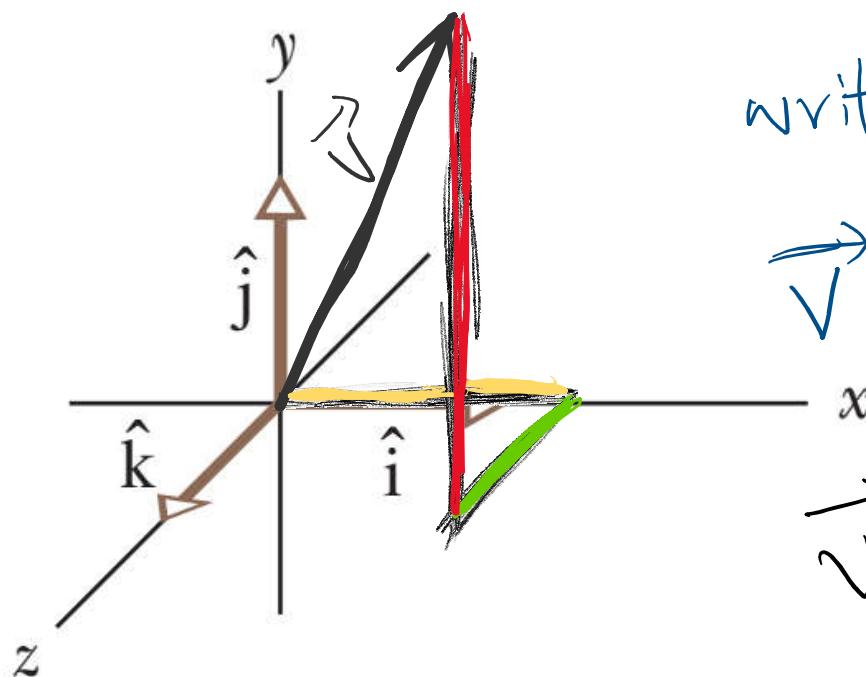
$$4 \text{ apple} - 3 \text{ orange} = 1 \text{ apple}$$

$$4 \text{ apple} + 3 \text{ oranges} =$$

using
Pythagoras
theorem

$\sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$

Concept of unit vectors



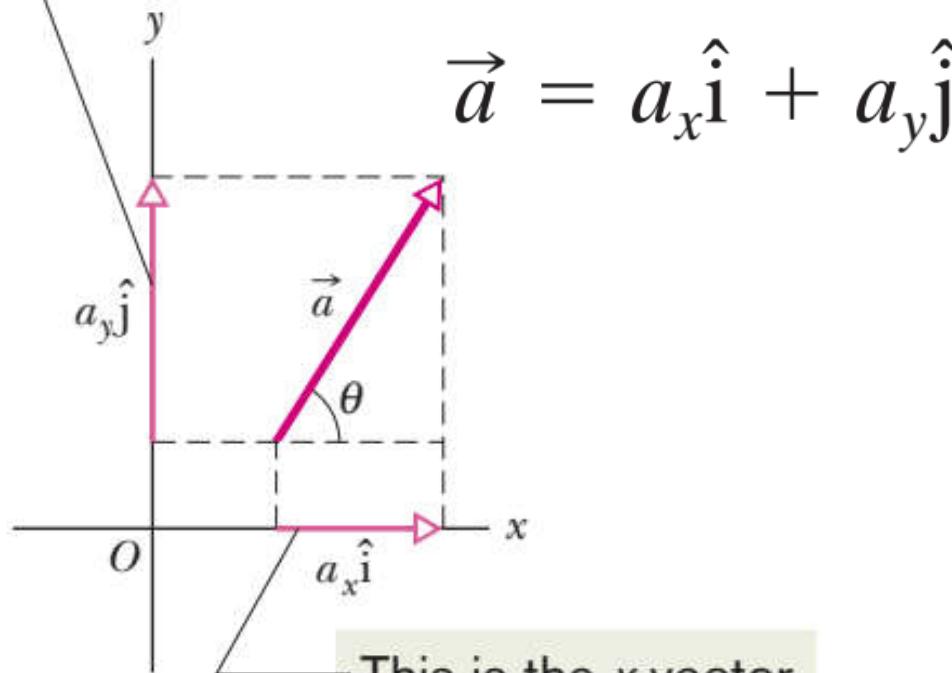
writing a vector in 3D

$$\vec{v} = V_x \hat{i} + V_y \hat{j} + V_z \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{v} = V_y \hat{j} + V_z \hat{k} + V_x \hat{i}$$

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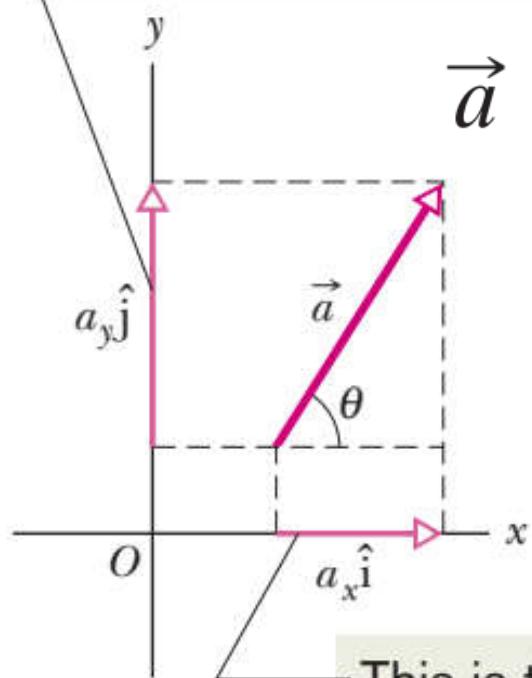
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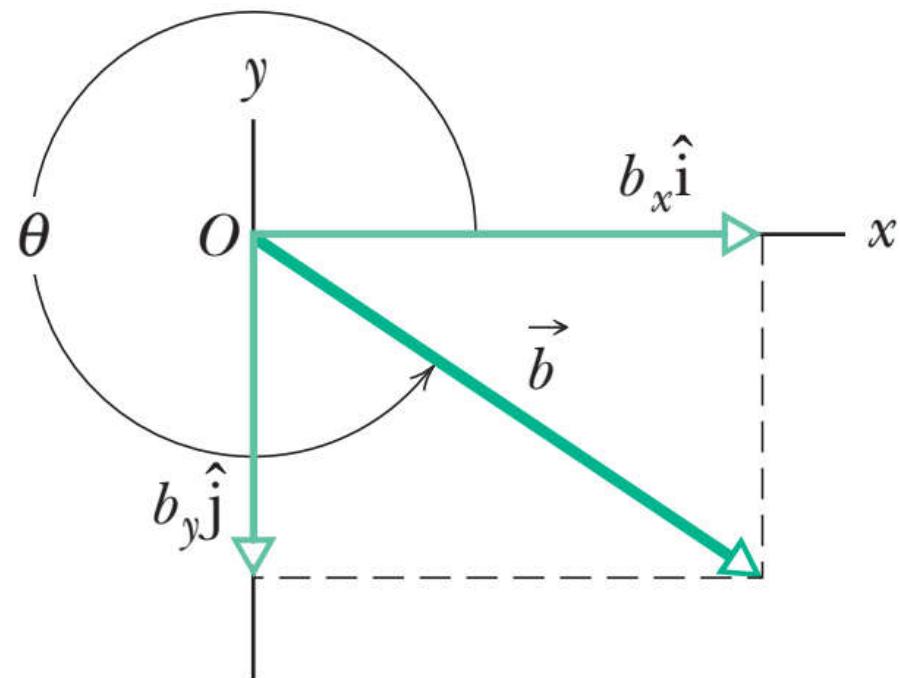
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This is the y vector component.



This is the x vector component.

$$\vec{a} = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j}$$



$$\vec{b} = b_x \hat{i} + b_y \hat{j}$$

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$$\vec{a} = (4.2 \text{ m})\hat{i} - (1.5 \text{ m})\hat{j},$$

$$\vec{b} = (-1.6 \text{ m})\hat{i} + (2.9 \text{ m})\hat{j},$$

$$\vec{c} = (-3.7 \text{ m})\hat{j}.$$

$$\vec{R} = \vec{R}_x + \vec{R}_y$$

