



Note

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \|\vec{a}\| \|\vec{b}\| \cos(\theta)$$

- the sign of $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ can be used to find left/right position, as in Step 2
- the magnitude of $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ can be used to find if the vectors involved have large magnitude

Step 1

Given \vec{p} , compute \vec{p}_{left}

In \mathbb{R}^2 , simply swap components and negate y 's sign. Then,

$$\vec{p}_{\text{left}} \cdot \vec{p} = \begin{bmatrix} -y & x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

(orthogonal)

Step 2

\vec{v} is to the left of \vec{p} if

$$\vec{p}_{\text{left}} \cdot \vec{v} > 0, \quad \vec{v} \in H$$

\vec{v} is to the right of \vec{p} if

$$\vec{p}_{\text{left}} \cdot \vec{v} < 0, \quad \vec{v} \notin H$$

\vec{v} is on \vec{p} if

$$\vec{p}_{\text{left}} \cdot \vec{v} = 0, \quad \vec{v} = k \vec{p}, \quad k \in \mathbb{R}$$