

# Introduction to Vector Space Models

Vector span, Subspaces, and Basis Vectors

# Part 1:

# Vector Span and Subspaces

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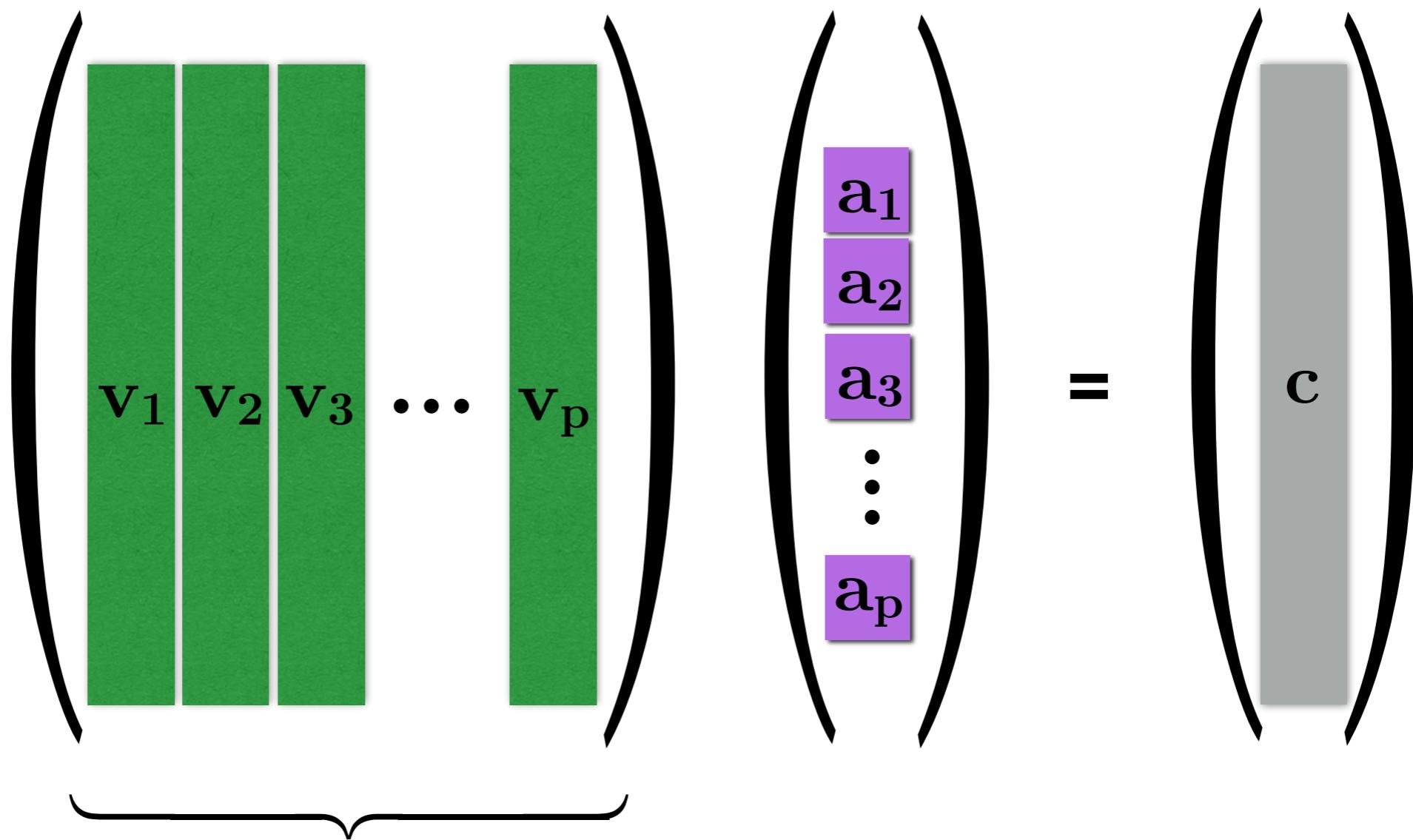
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alternatively, we could write

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{a} \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \mid \mathbf{v}_2 \mid \dots \mid \mathbf{v}_p] \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_p \end{pmatrix}$$

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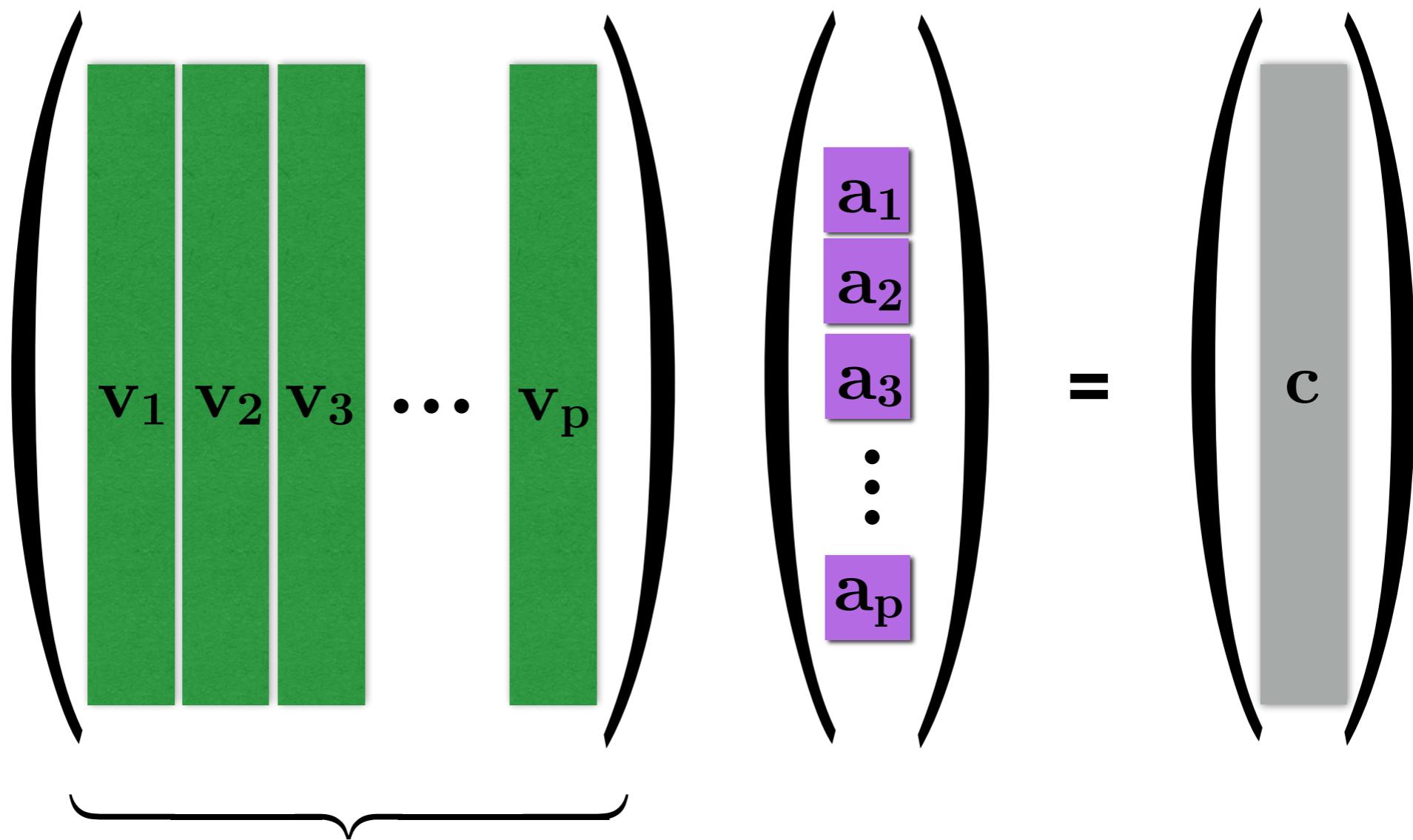
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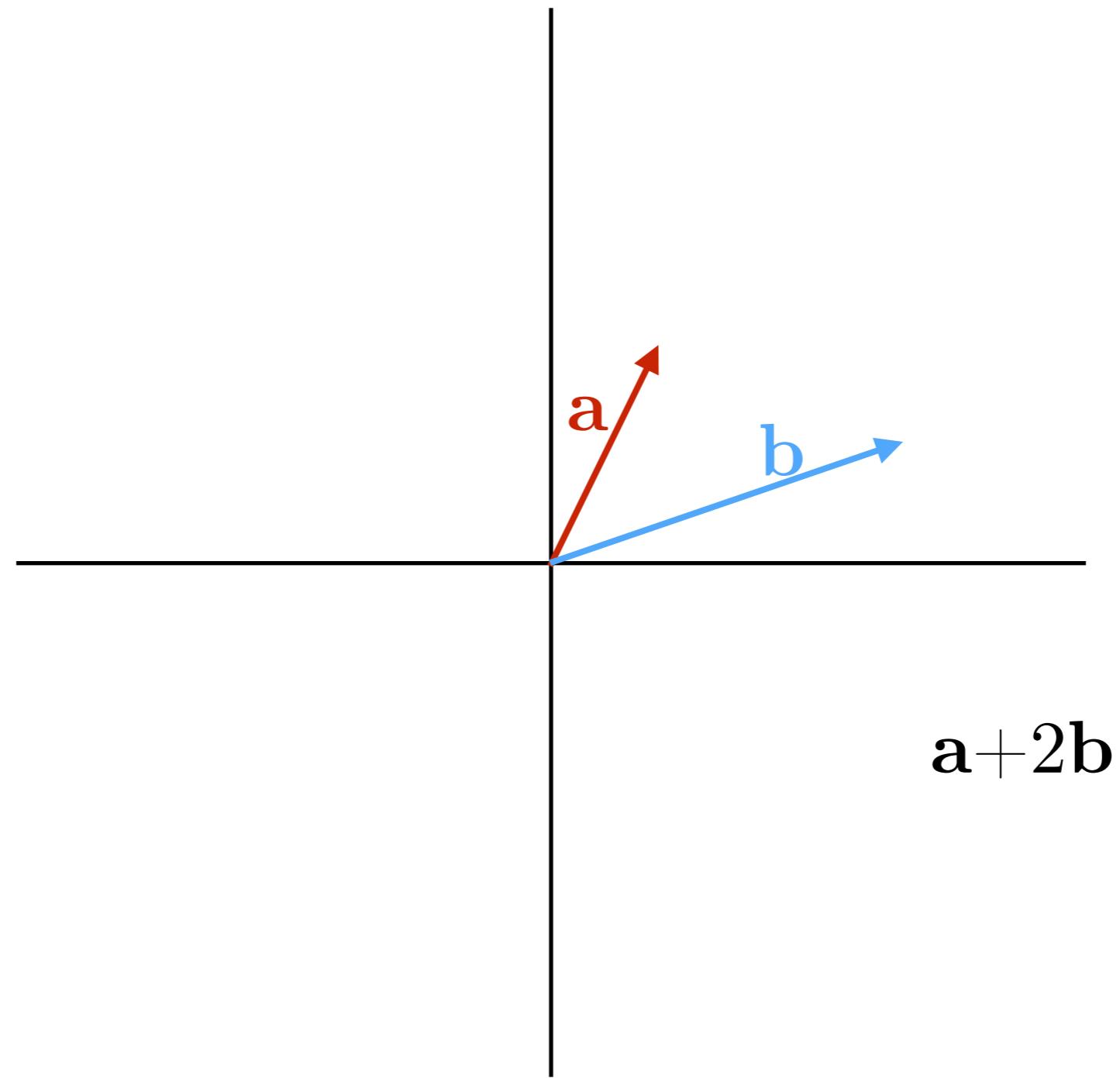
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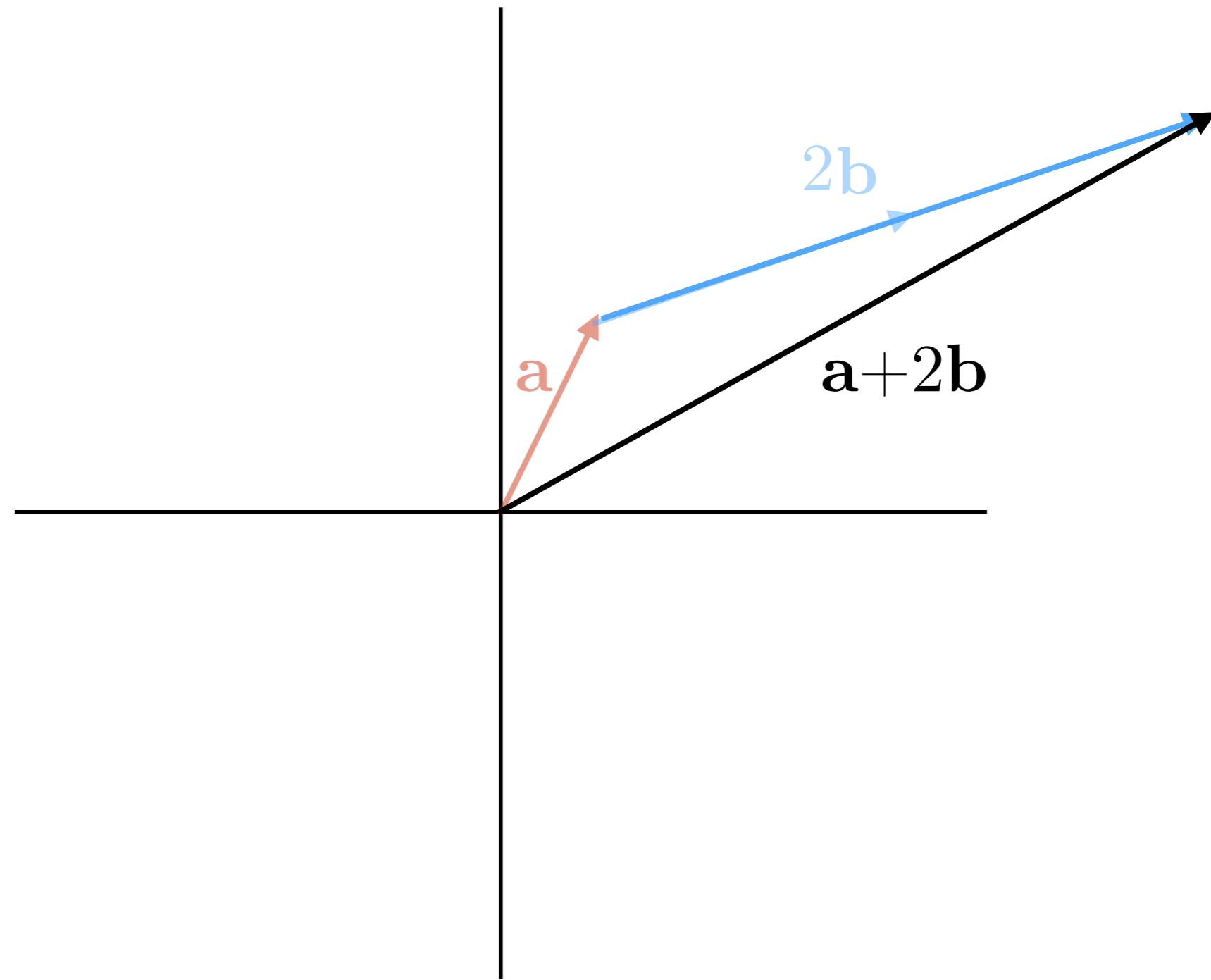
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$$a + 2b$$

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For example, if  $2\mathbf{v}_1 - 2\mathbf{v}_2 + 4\mathbf{v}_3 = 0$

Then,  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{v}_2 - 2\mathbf{v}_3$     #PerfectMulticollinearity

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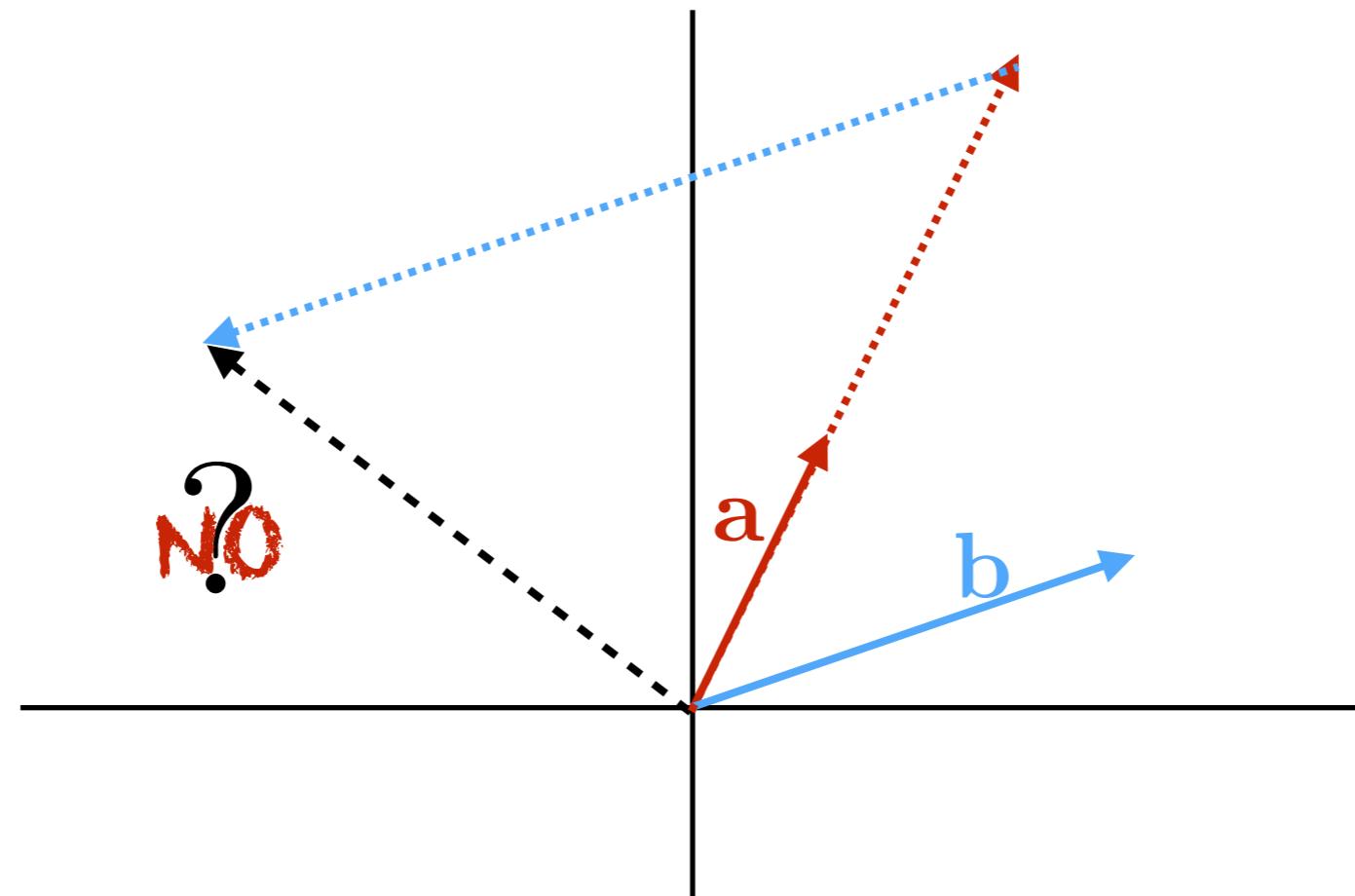
# Linear Dependence

## (Geometrically)

- ▶ ***Two*** vectors are linearly dependent if they are multiples of each other - point in same (or opposite) direction
- ▶ ***More than two*** vectors are linearly dependent if at least one is a linear combination of the others

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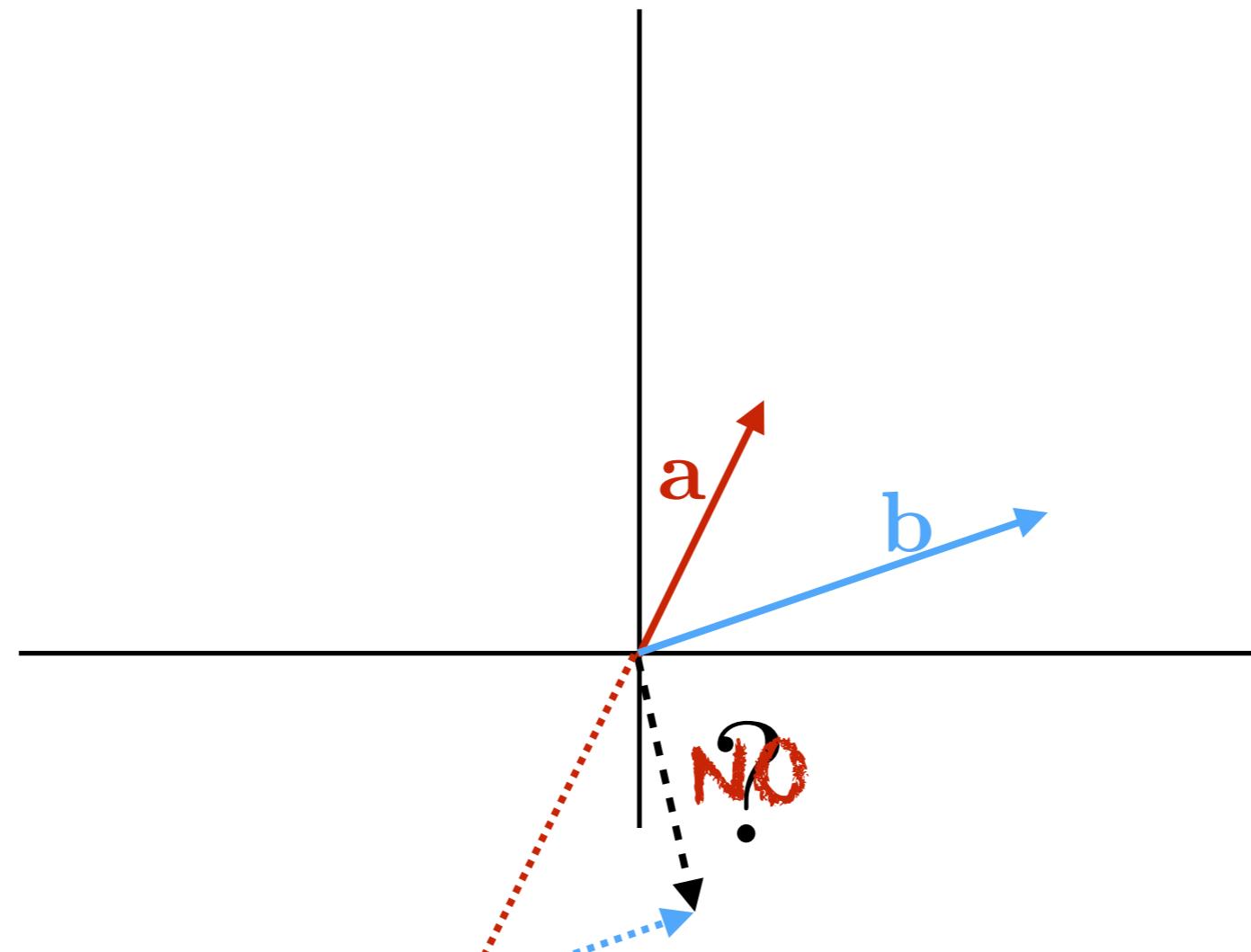
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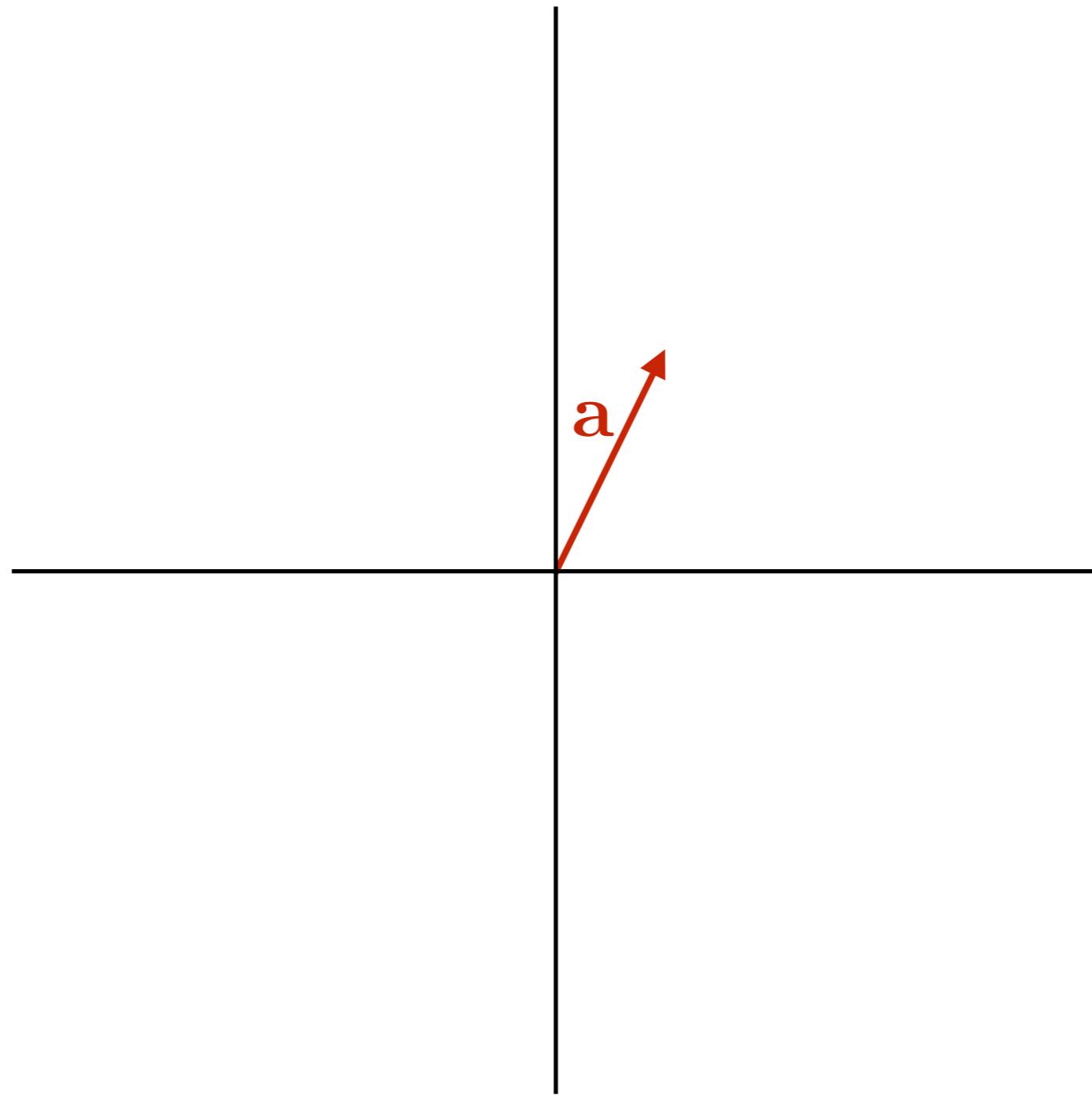
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- ▶ The span of a collection of vectors  $\mathbf{V} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$  is the set of *all* linear combinations of these vectors:

$$span(\mathbf{V}) = \{\alpha_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \alpha_2\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \alpha_p\mathbf{v}_p \text{ for all constants } \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p\}$$

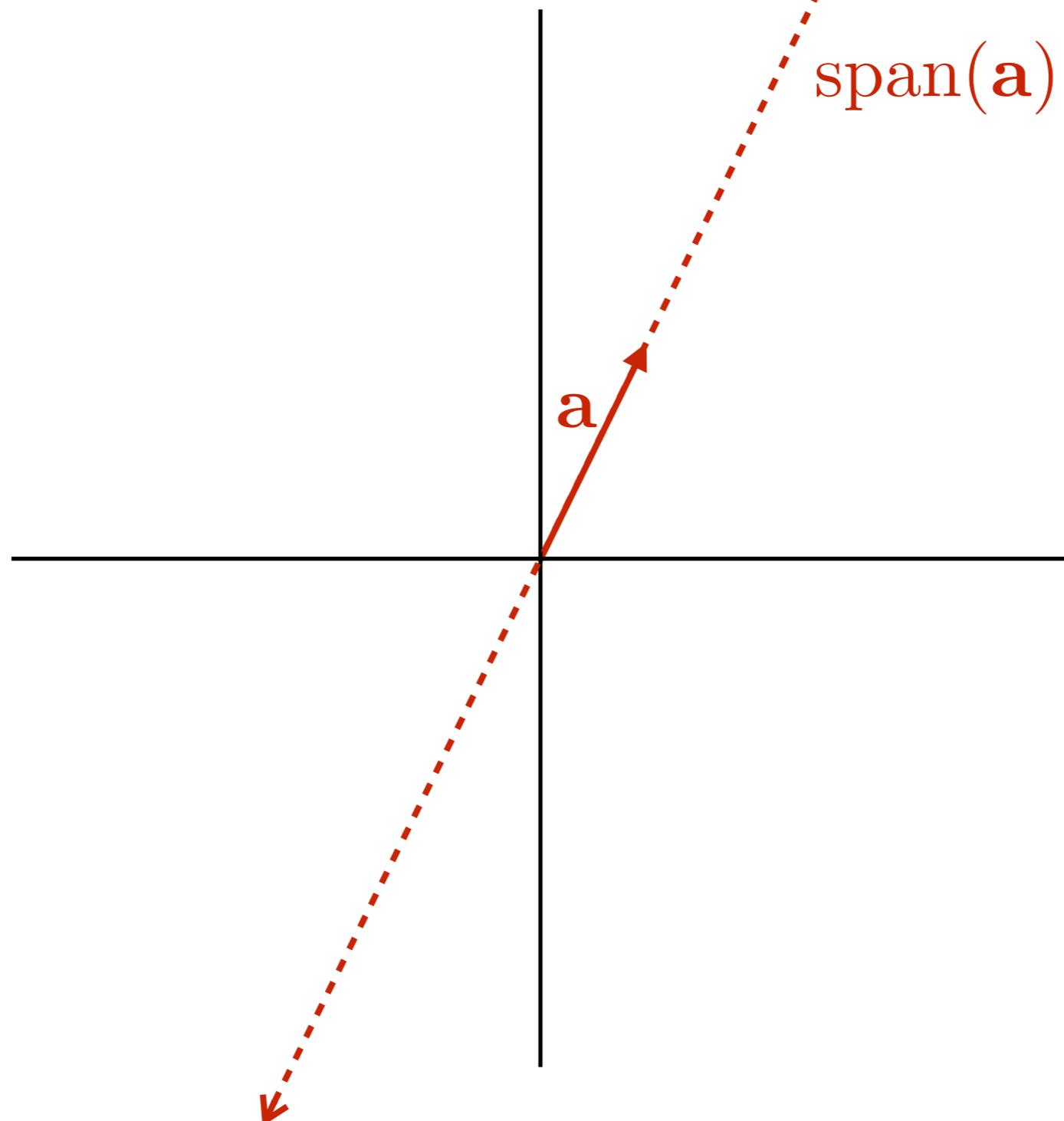
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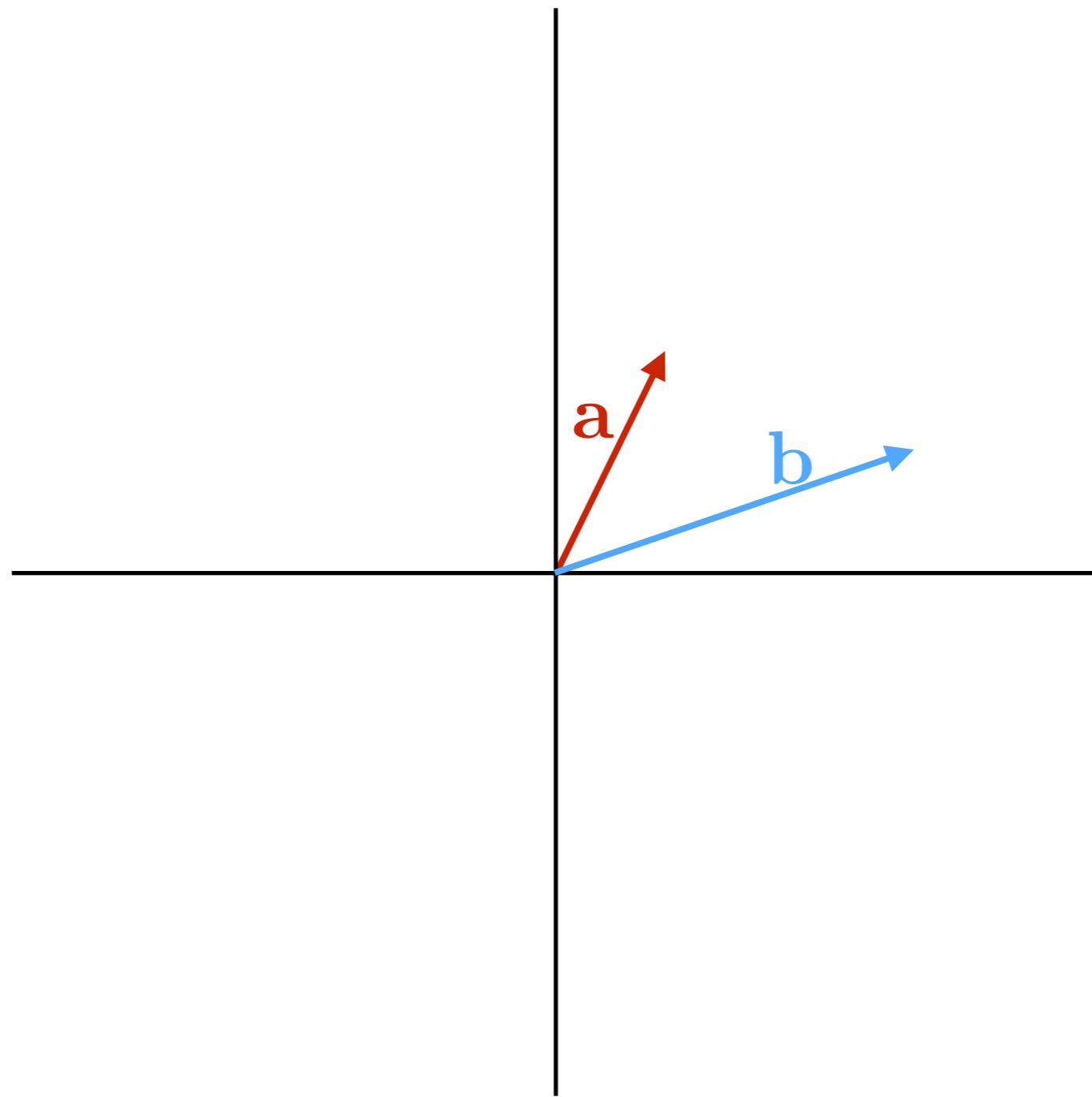
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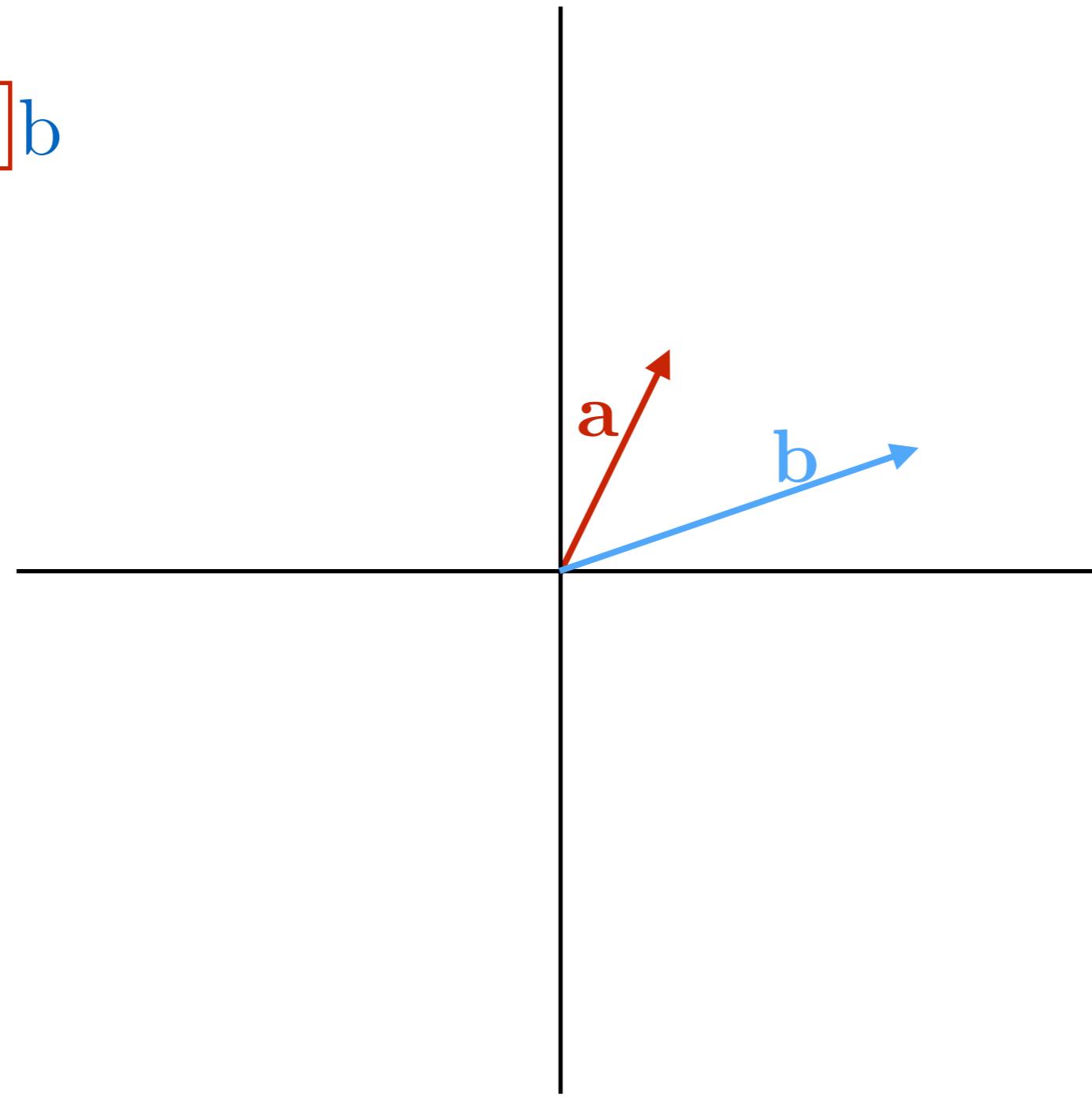
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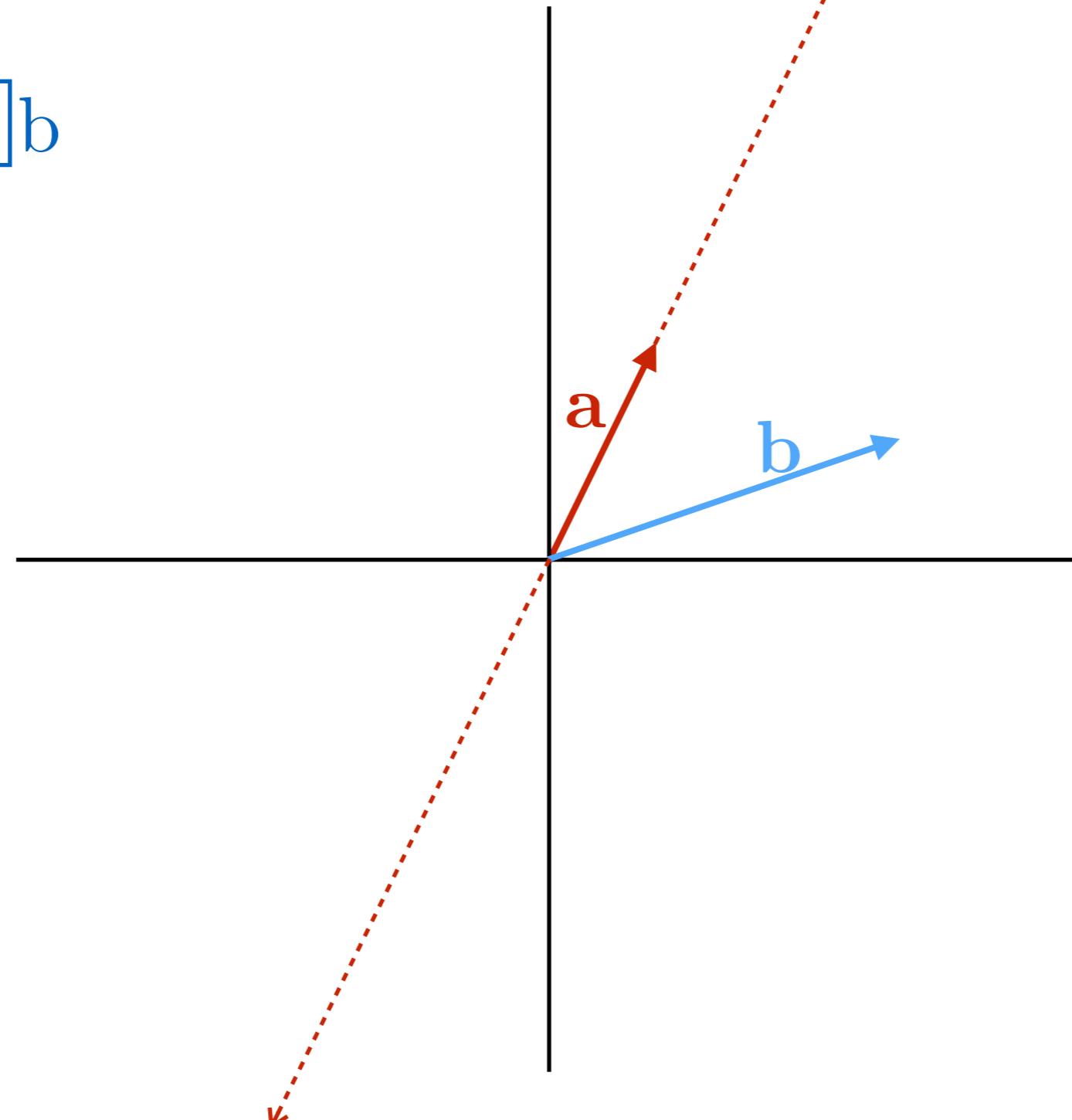
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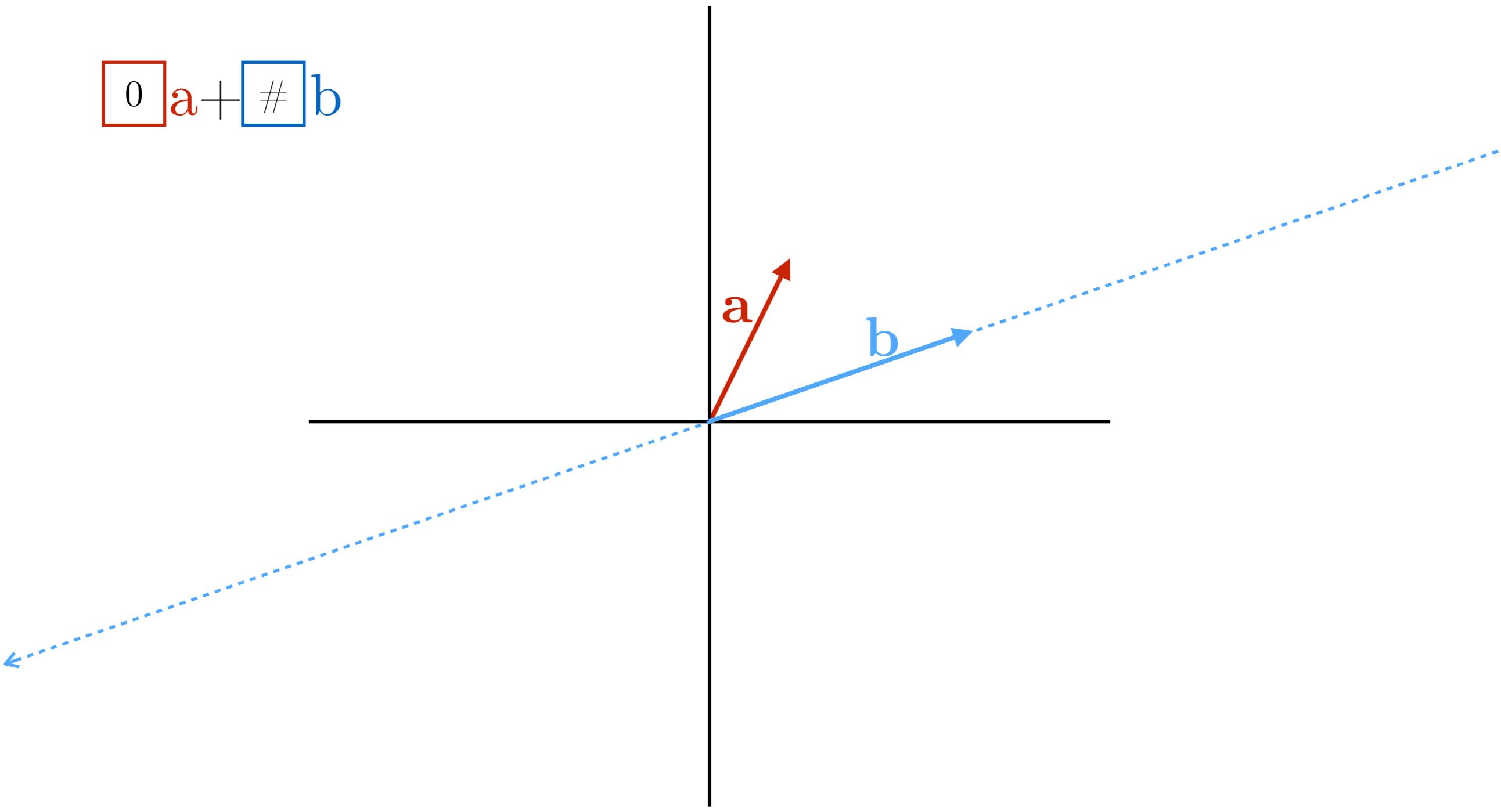
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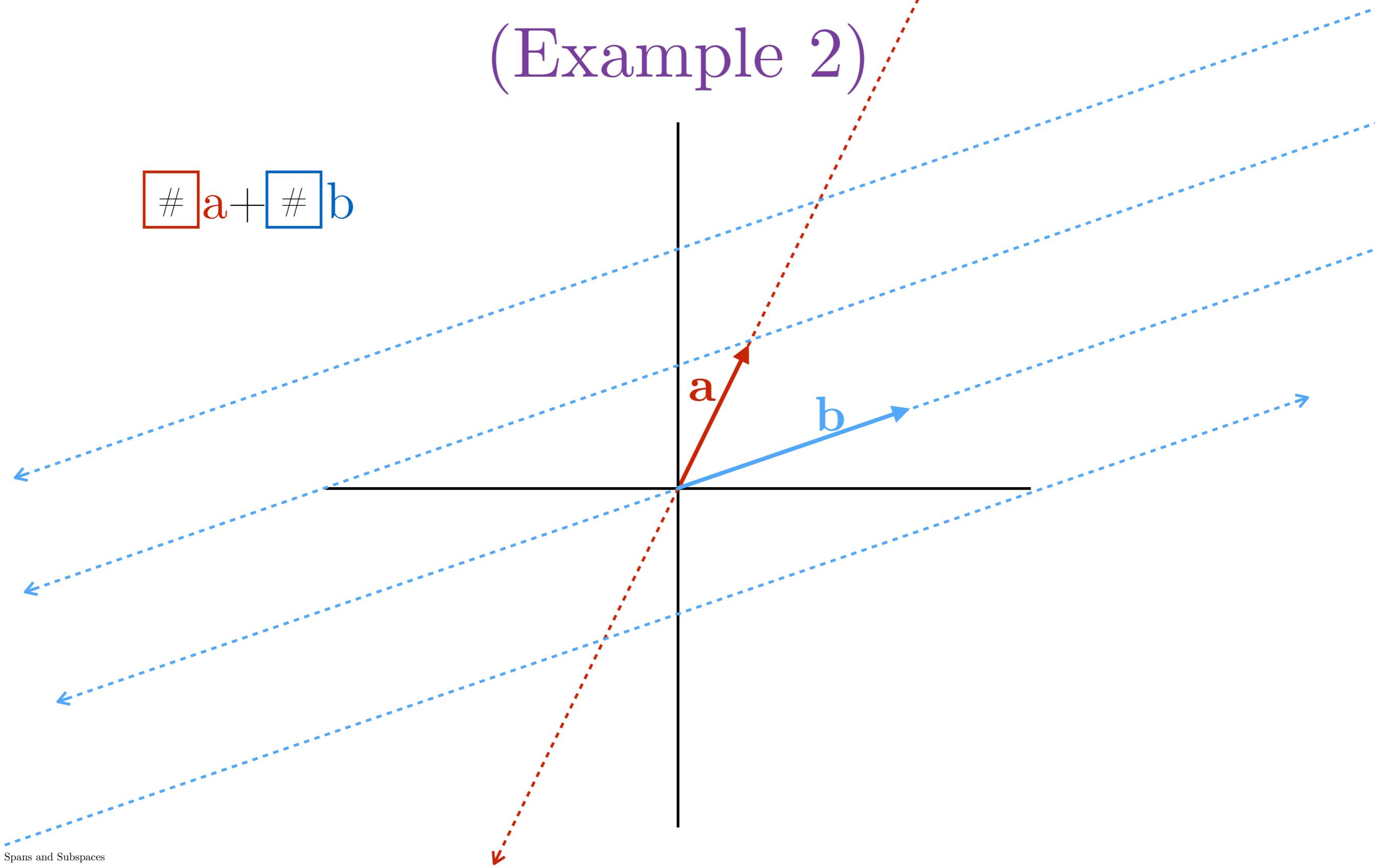
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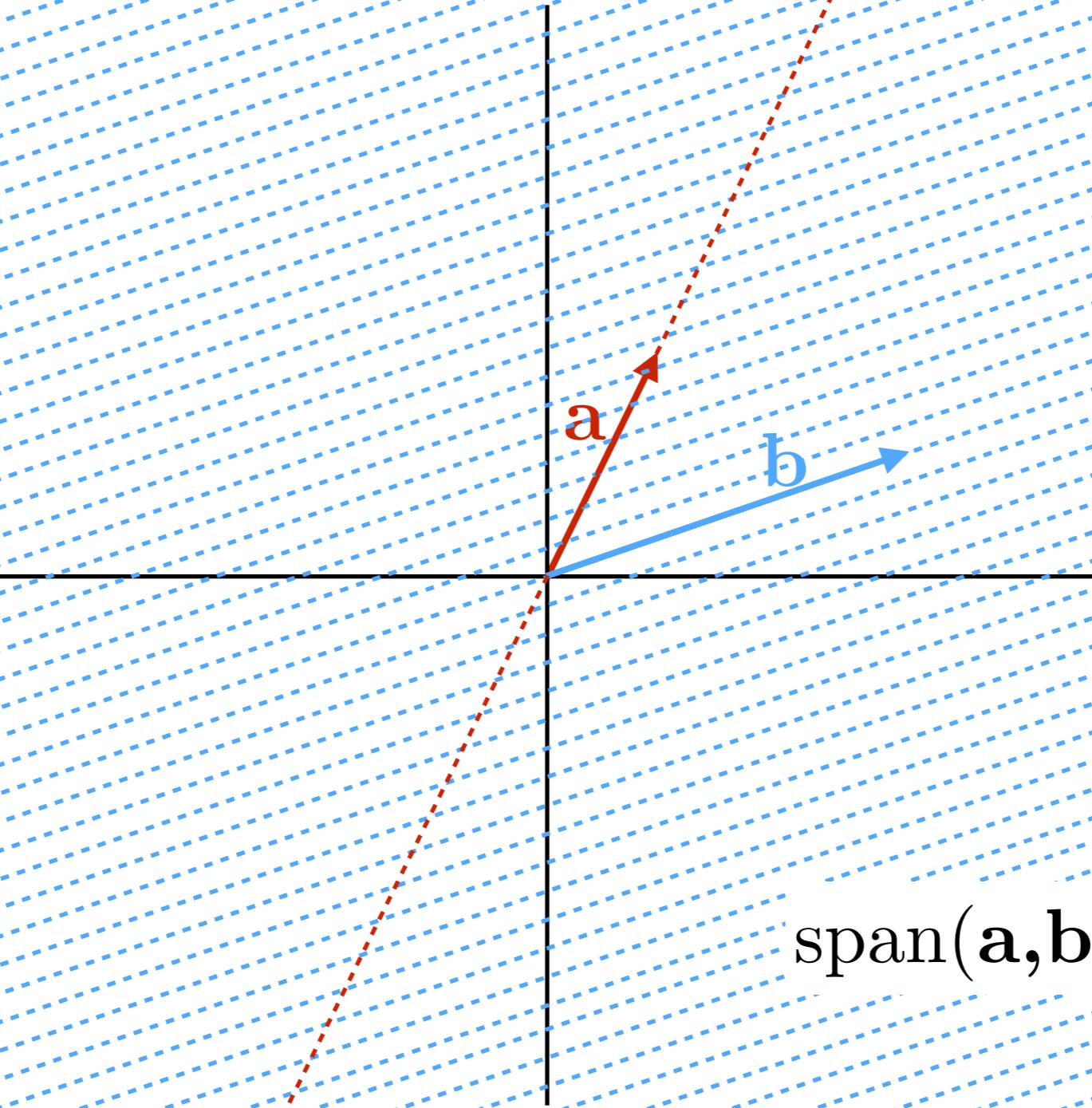
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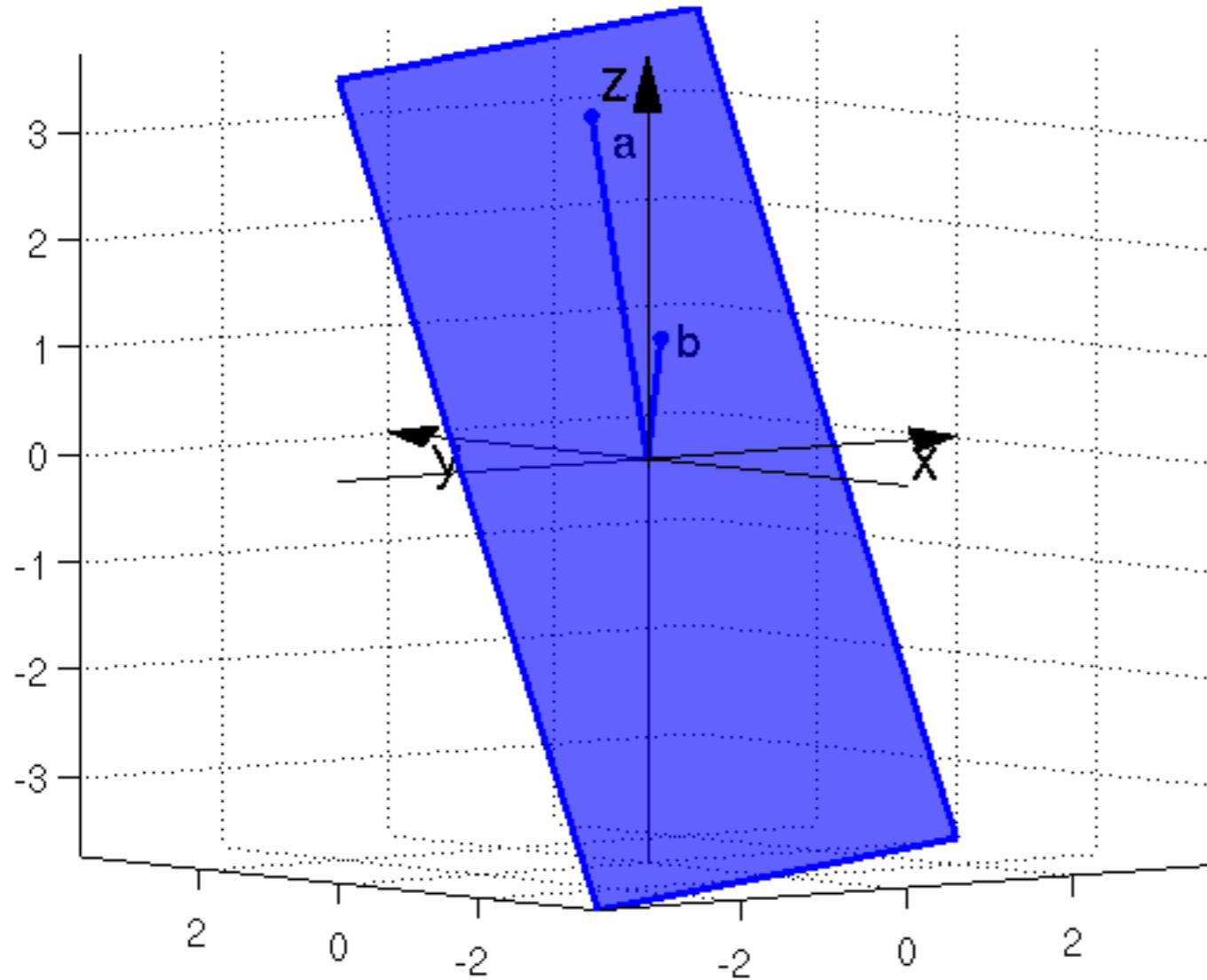
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# Vector Span

## (Example 3)

What is the span of two linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?



The plane (hyperplane)  
that contains both vectors.  
(A 2-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

# Subspace

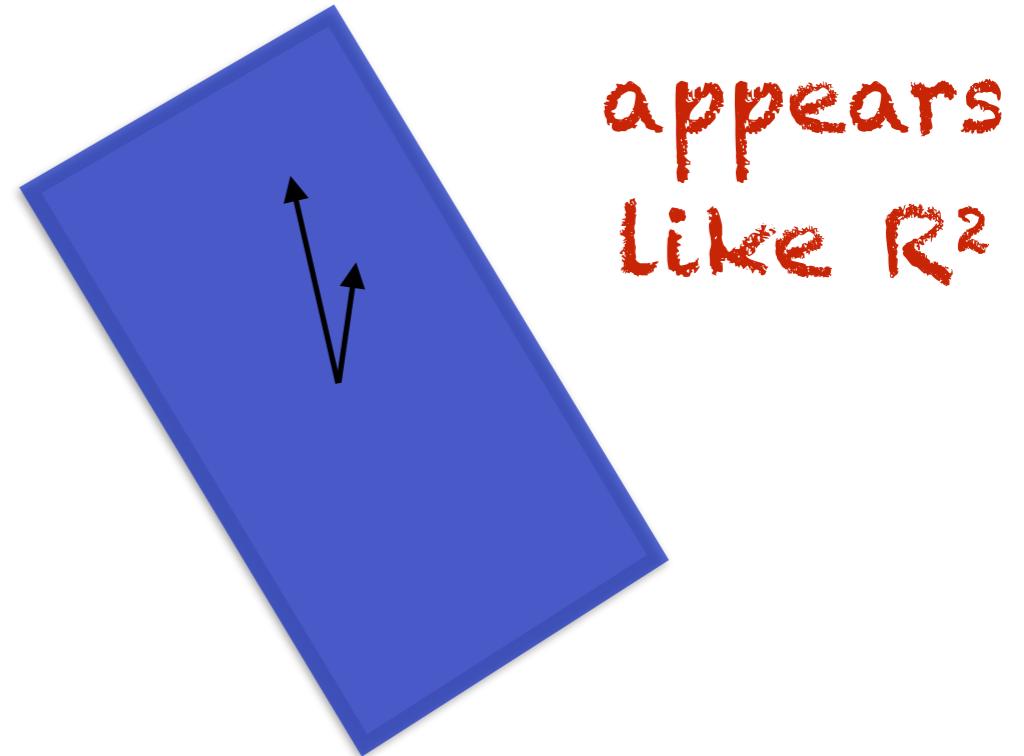
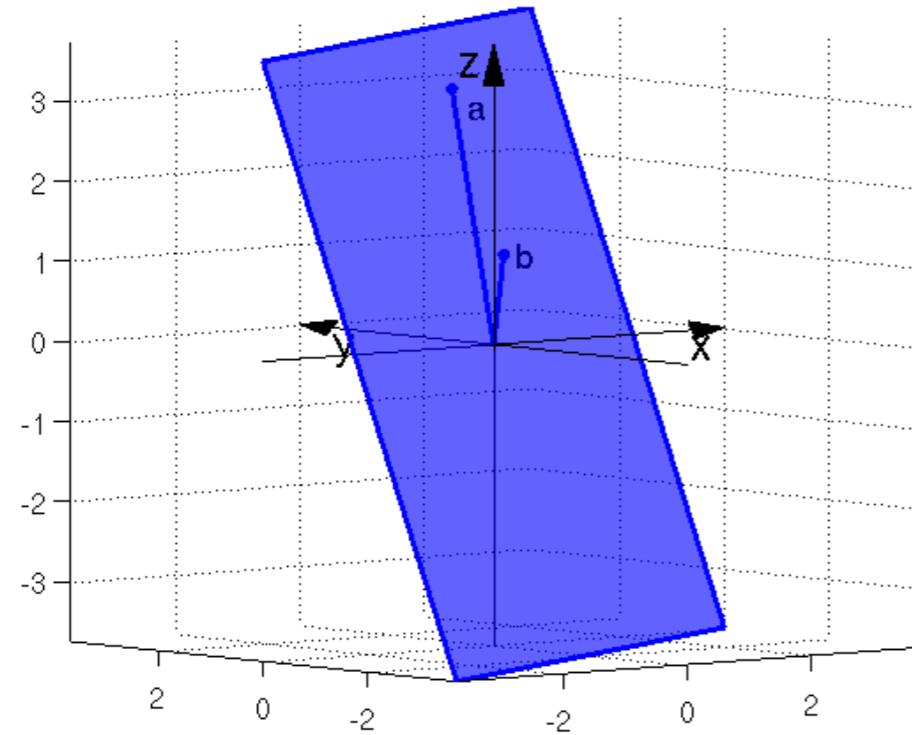
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- ▶ A subspace  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is thought of as a “flat” (having no curvature) surface within  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . It is a collection of vectors which satisfies the following conditions:
  - ▶ The origin (**0** vector) is contained in  $S$ .
  - ▶ If  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are in  $S$  then  $\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{y}$  also in  $S$ .
  - ▶ If  $\mathbf{x}$  is in  $S$  then  $a\mathbf{x}$  is in  $S$  for any scalar  $a$ .

# Subspace

## (Definition)

- In other words, it is an infinite subset of vectors (points) from a larger space ( $\mathbb{R}^n$ ) that when taken alone, appears like  $\mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $p < n$



- The dimension of the subspace is the minimum number of vectors it takes to span the space. (Think: # of axes)

# Hyperplane

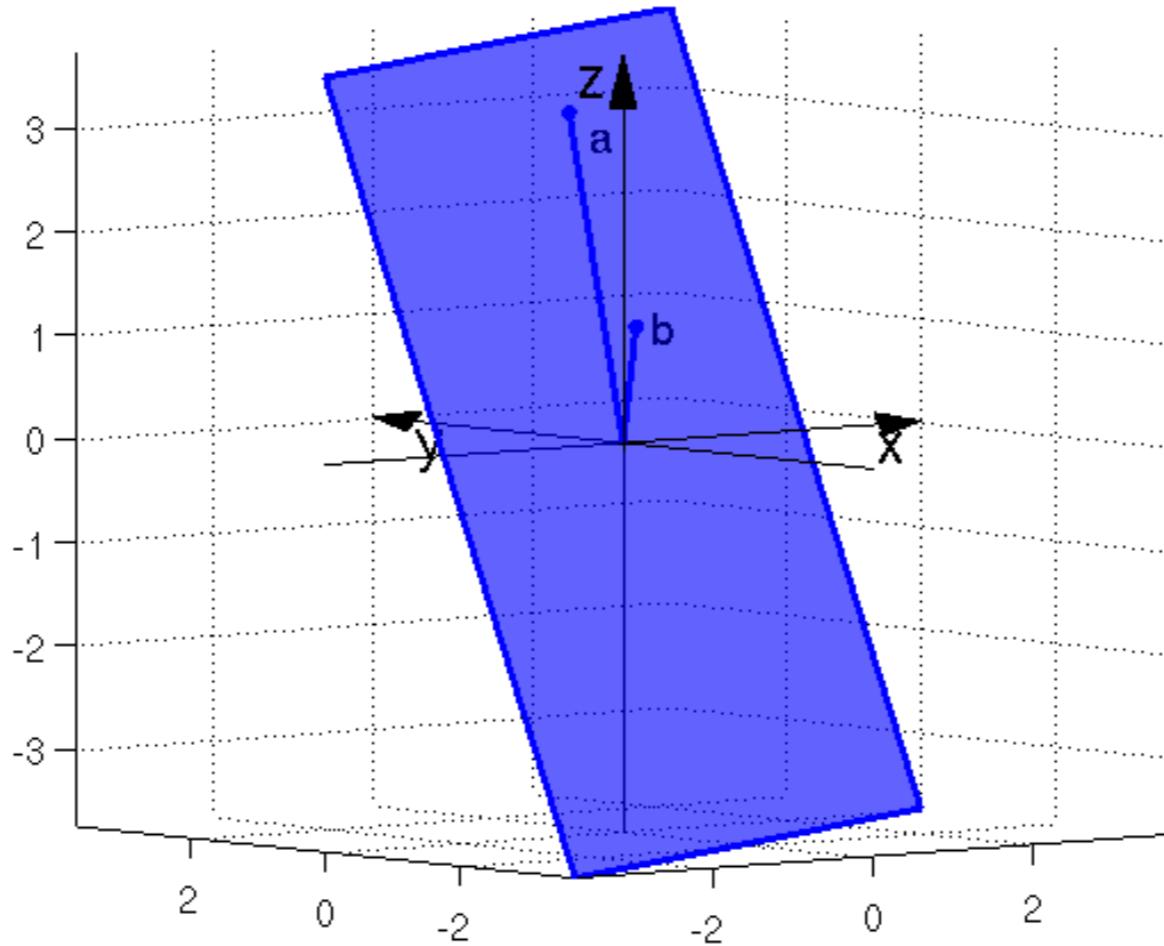
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- ▶ A hyperplane is a subspace that has one less dimension than its ambient space.
- ▶ In 3-dimensional space a hyperplane would be a 2-dimensional plane.
- ▶ In 4-dimensional space, a hyperplane would be a 3-dimensional plane (helps to keep same picture in mind: a “flat” subspace in 4D!)

# Hyperplane

## (Definition)

- ▶ A hyperplane cuts the ambient space into two parts, one ‘above’ it and one ‘below’ it



# Practice

1

Is the vector  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  in the  $\text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ ?

2

Describe the span of one vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

3

Describe the span of two linearly dependent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

4

Compare the  $\text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$  to the  $\text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$

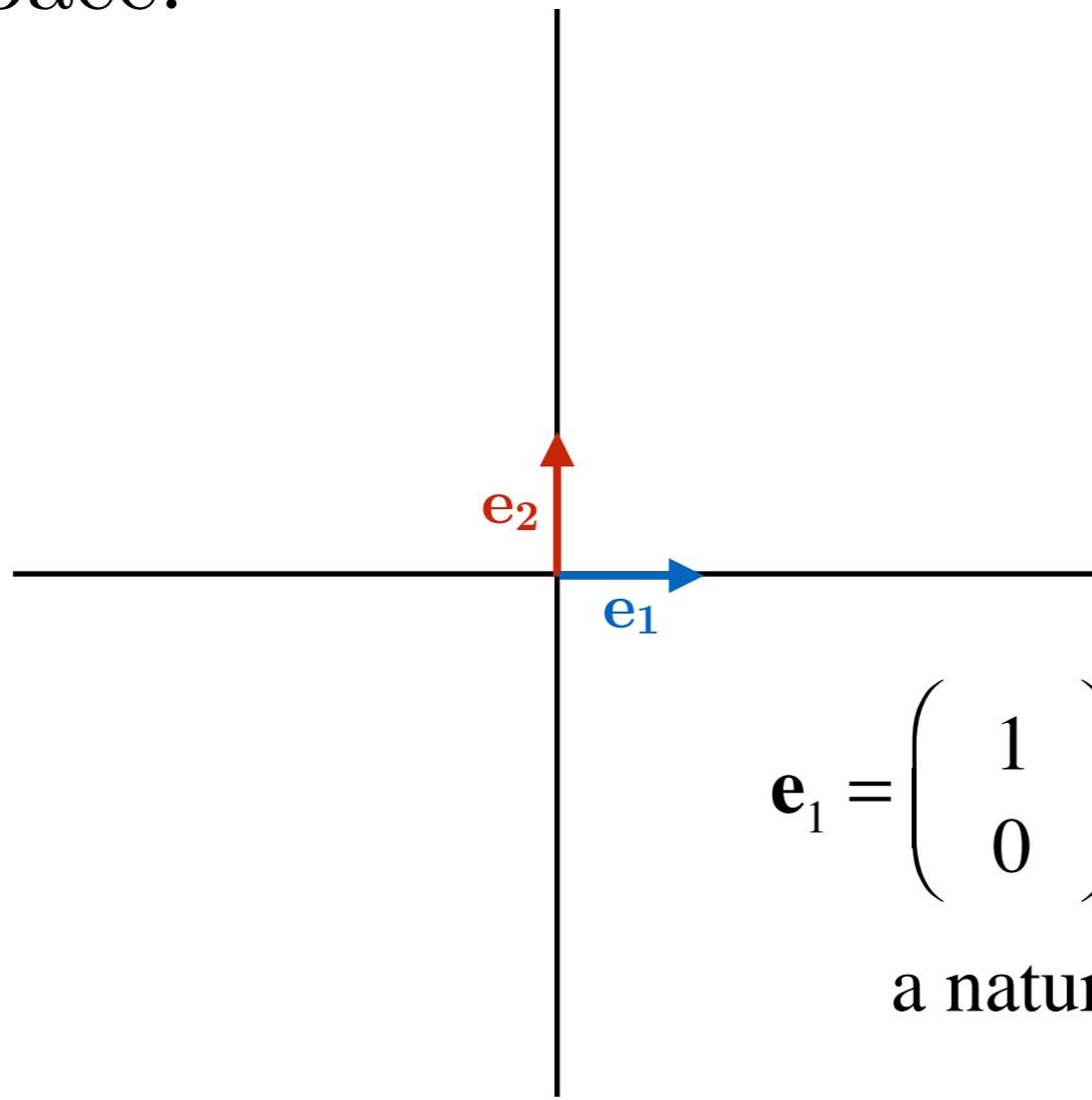
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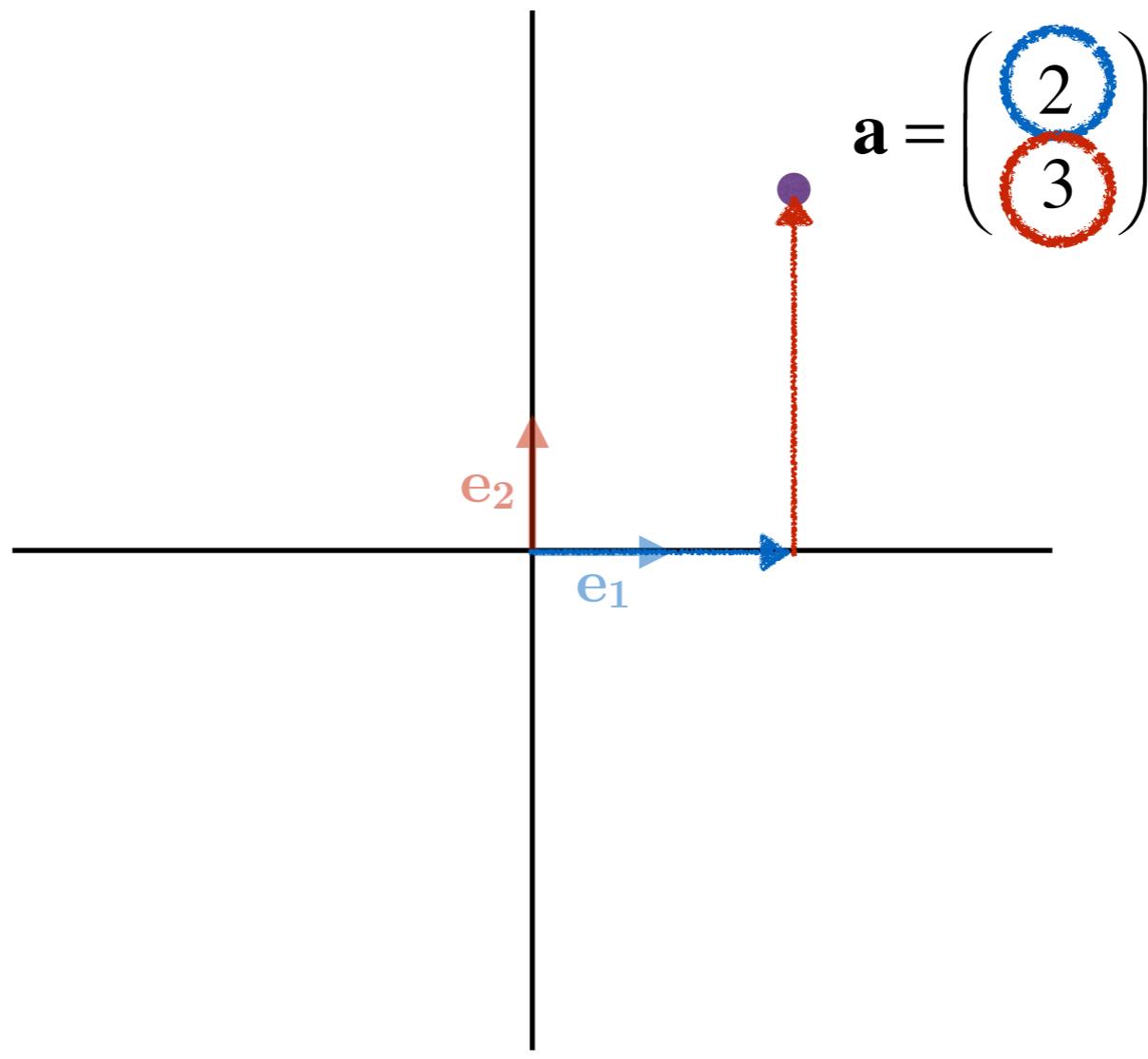
- ▶ A collection of vectors makes a basis for a space (or a subspace) if they are linearly independent and span the space.



$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  are  
a natural basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$

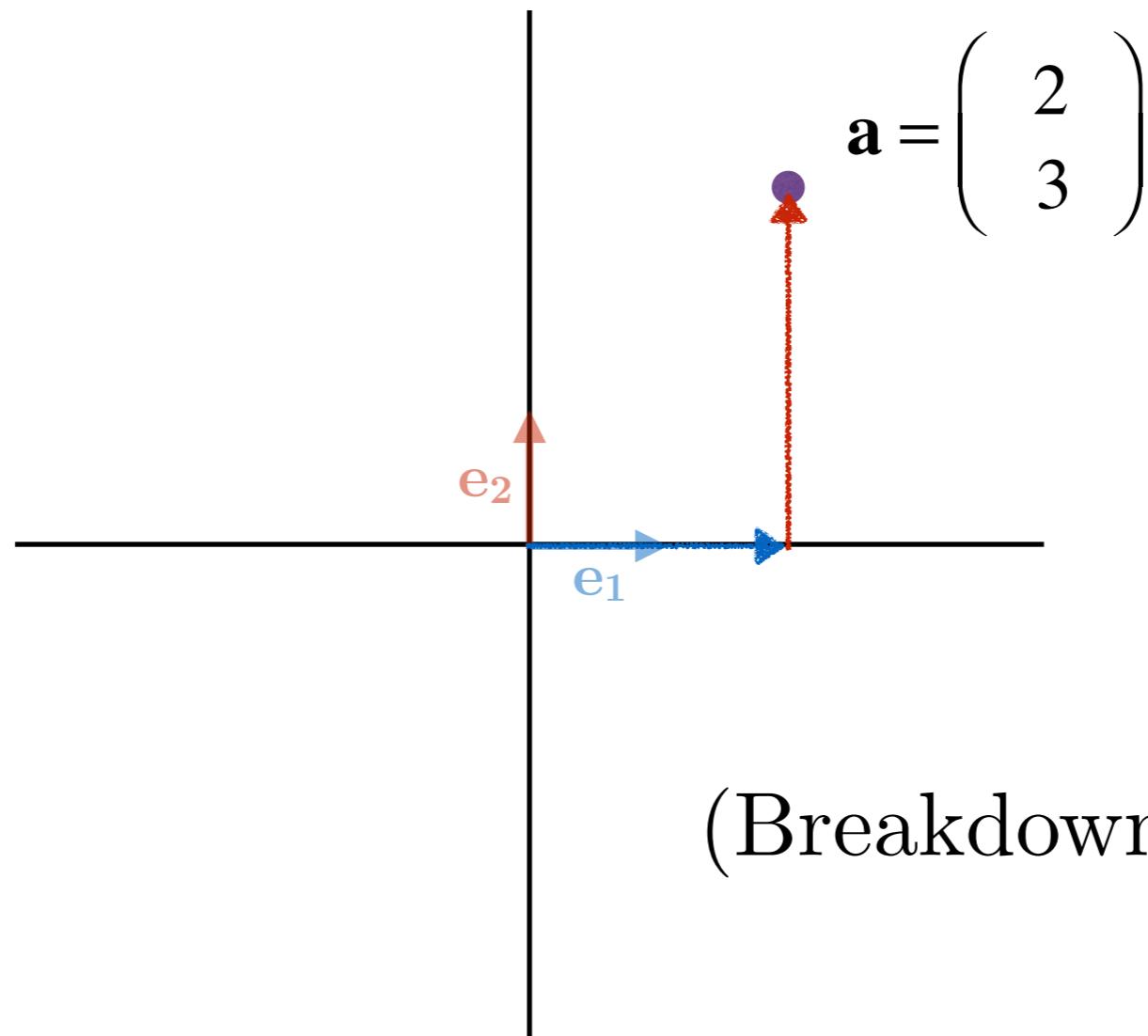
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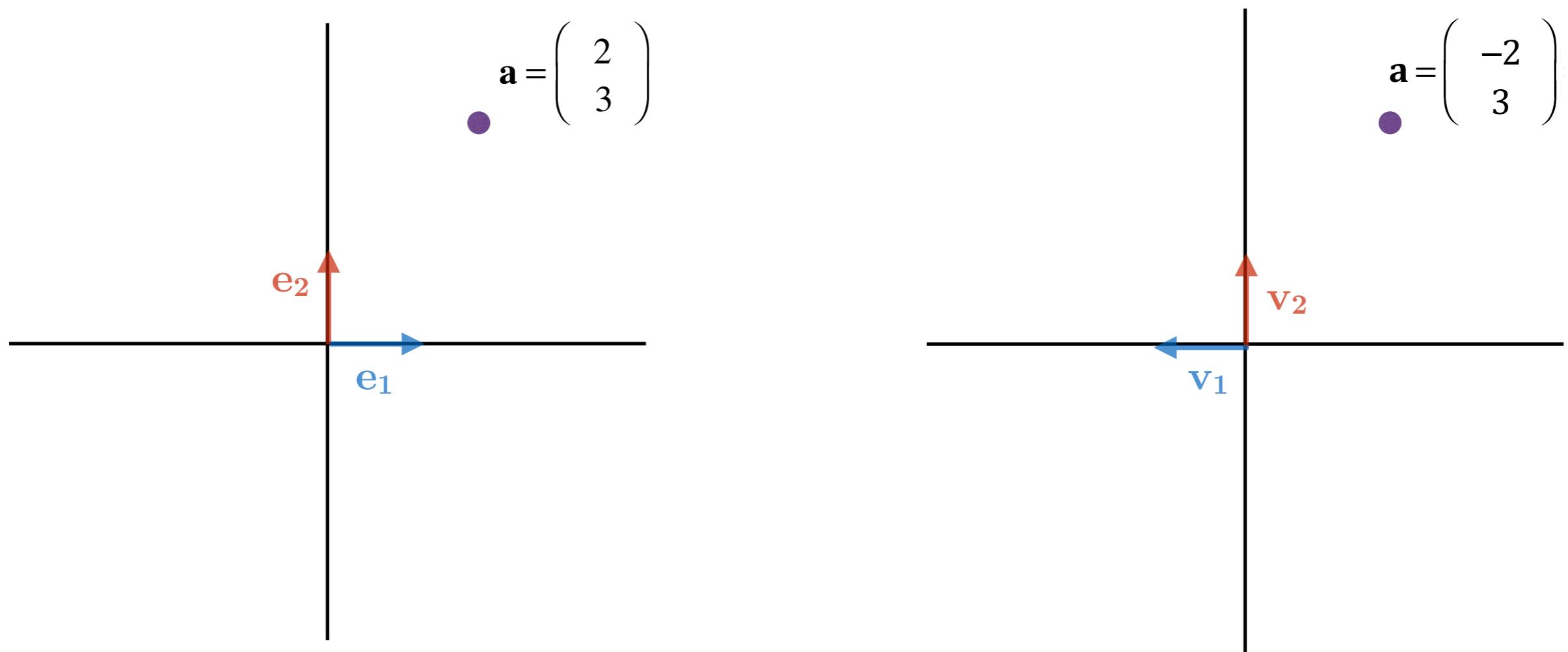


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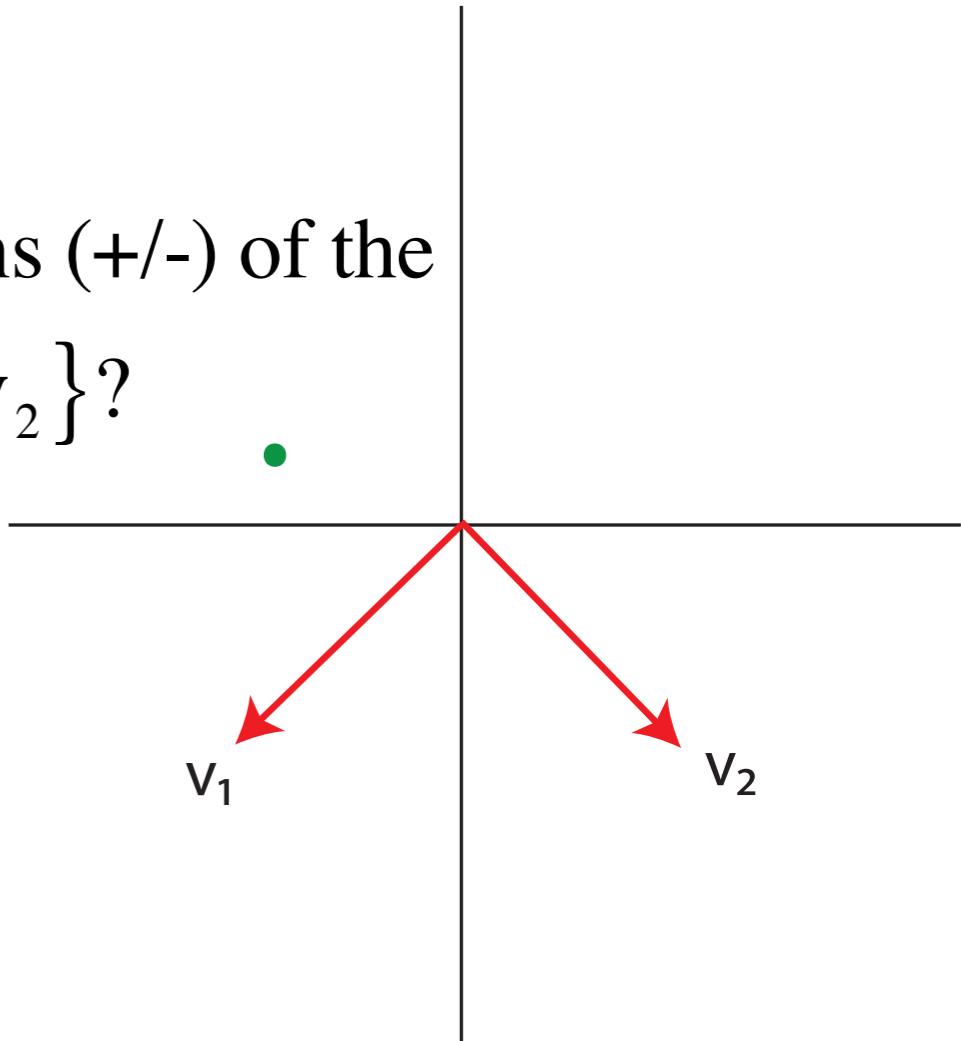
# Change of Basis



$$2\mathbf{e}_1 + 3\mathbf{e}_2 = -2\mathbf{v}_1 + 3\mathbf{v}_2$$

# Practice

1 In the following picture, what would be the signs (+/-) of the coordinates of the green point in the basis  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ ?



2 Find the coordinates of the vector  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  in the basis  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

Draw a picture to confirm your answer matches your intuition.

# Part 3:

# A Change of Basis

# Basis and Coordinates

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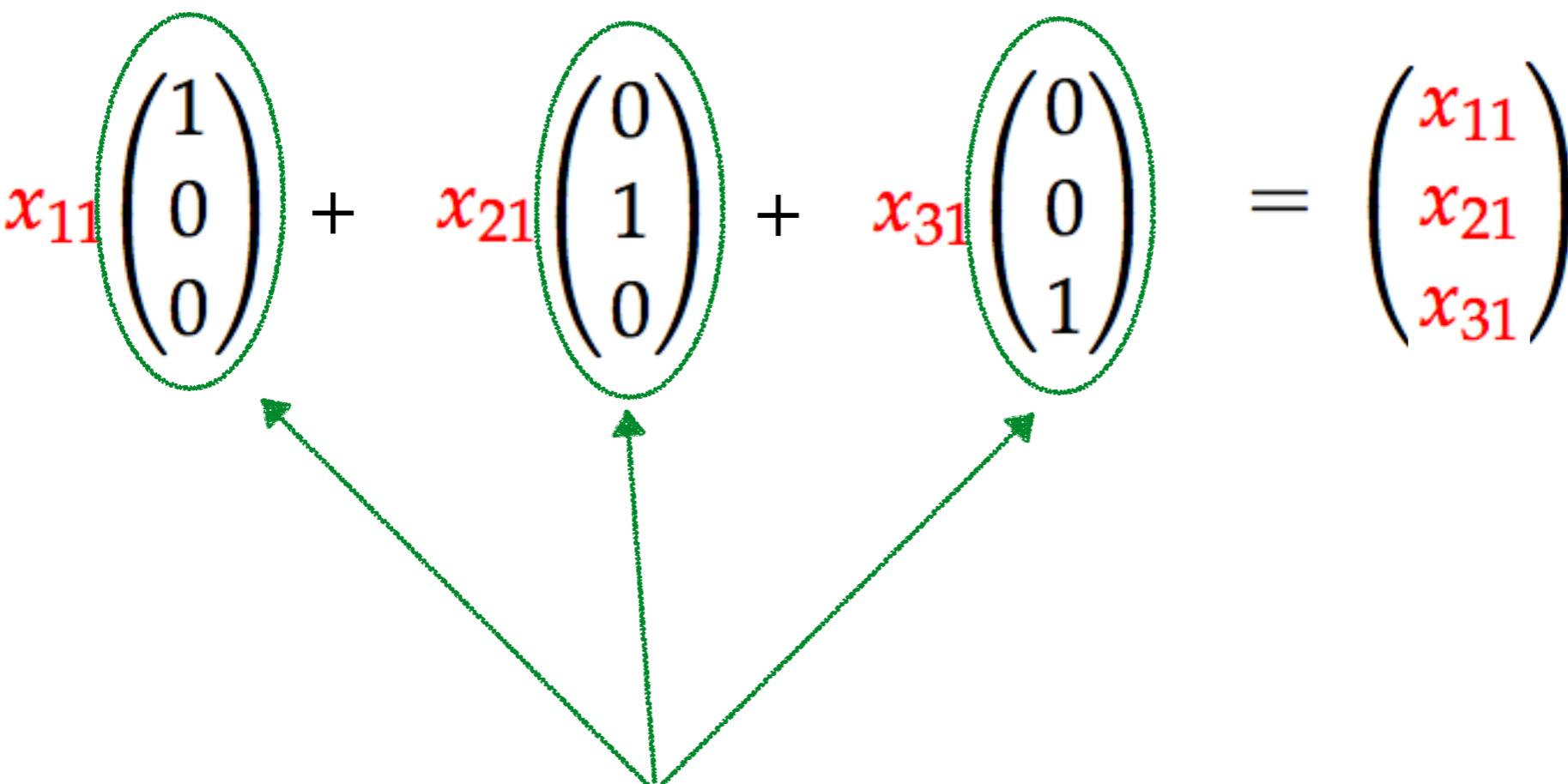
Coordinates

The diagram illustrates the concept of coordinates in a vector space. On the right, a vector is shown as a column of three entries:  $x_{11}$ ,  $x_{21}$ , and  $x_{31}$ . This vector is circled in red. To the left, it is expressed as a sum of three vectors, each multiplied by a scalar coefficient:  $x_{11}$ ,  $x_{21}$ , and  $x_{31}$ . Each of these coefficients is also circled in red. Red arrows point from each circled coefficient to its corresponding basis vector: the first arrow points to the first vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , the second to the second  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and the third to the third  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Below the equation, the word "Coordinates" is written in red, underlined, and followed by a downward-pointing arrow.

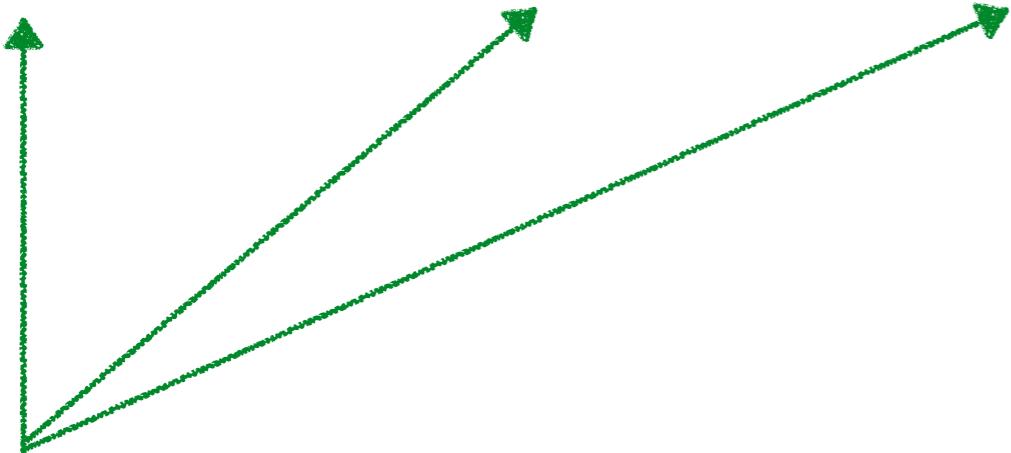
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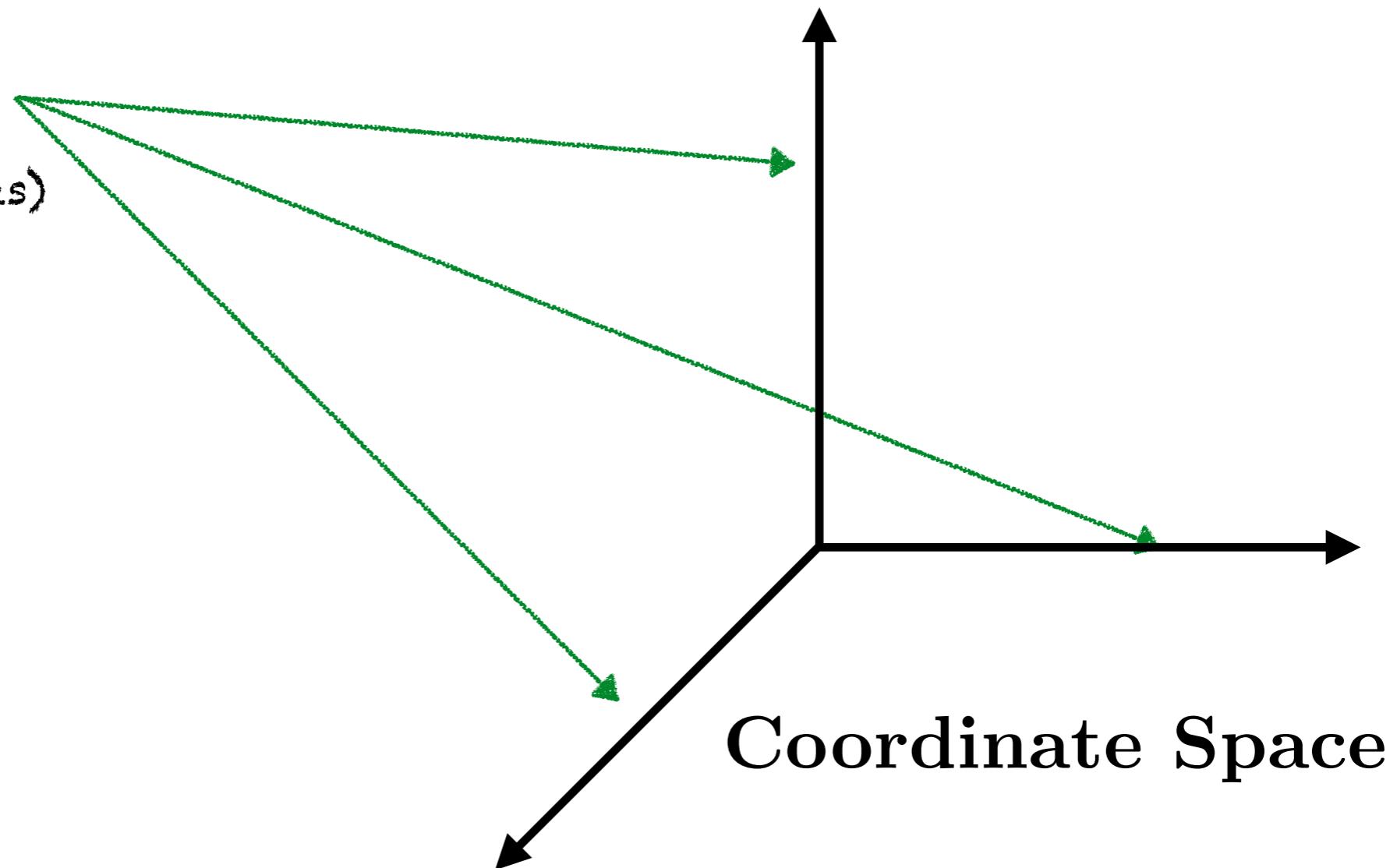


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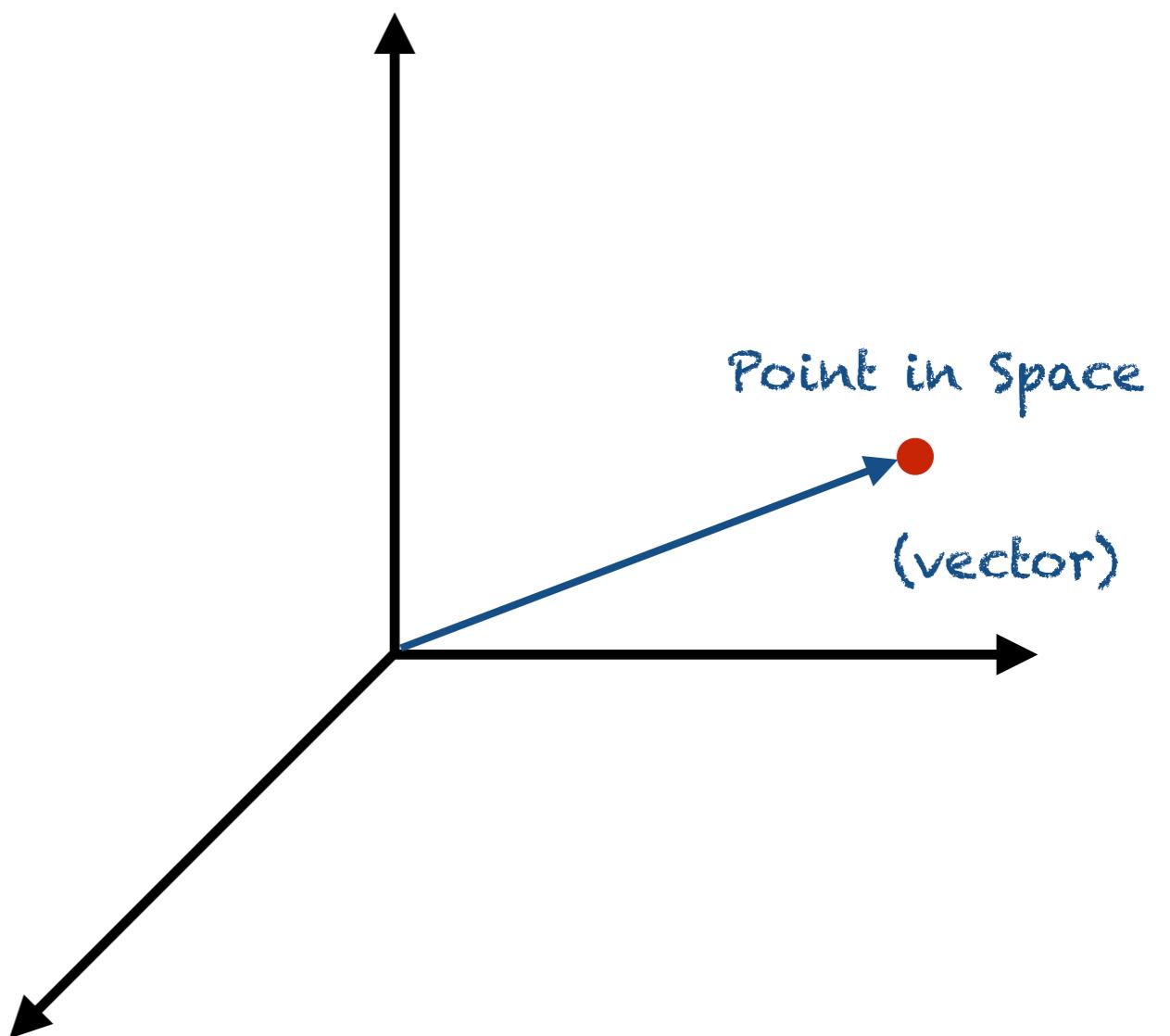
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(Think: Axes)



Coordinate Space

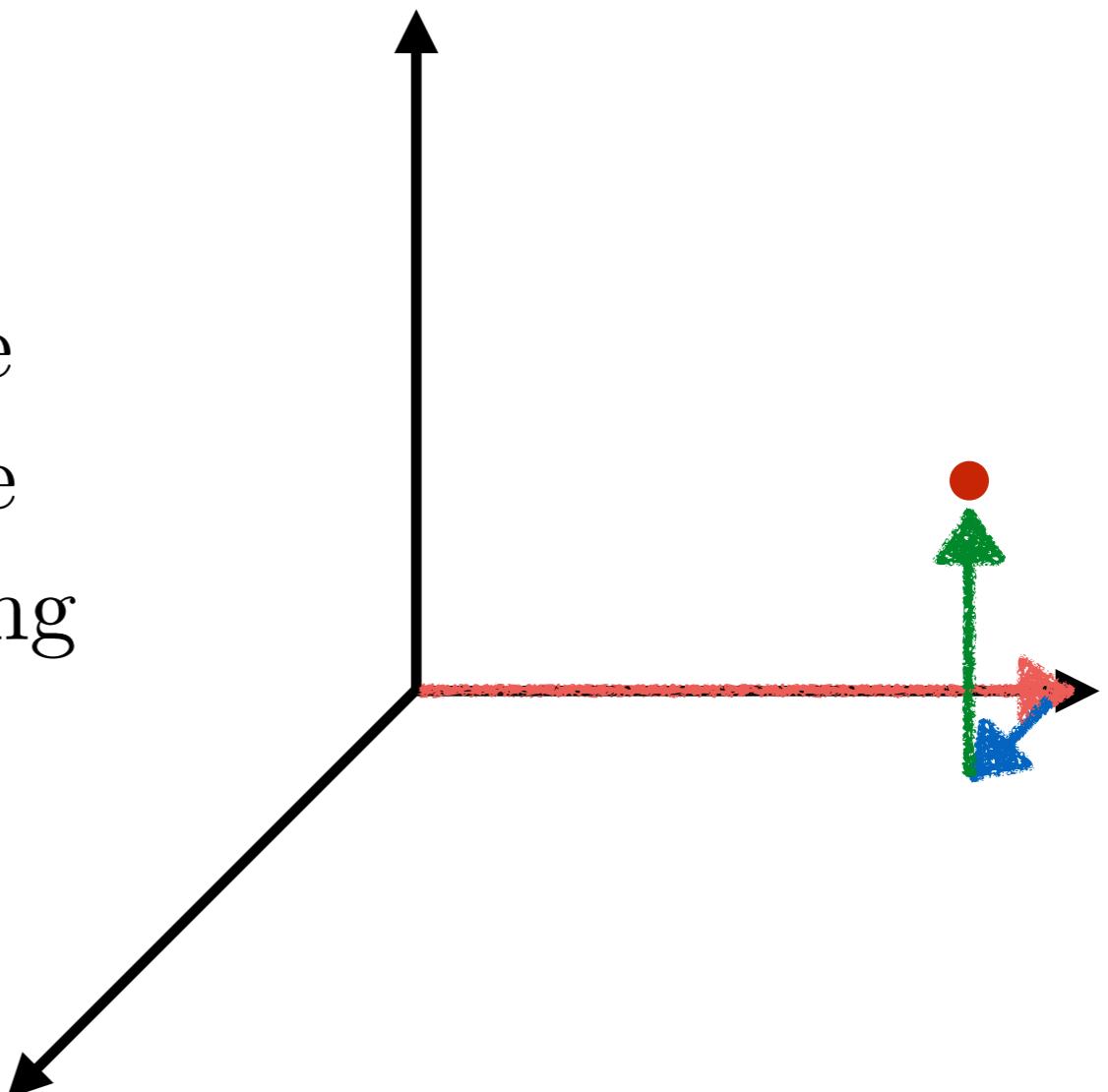
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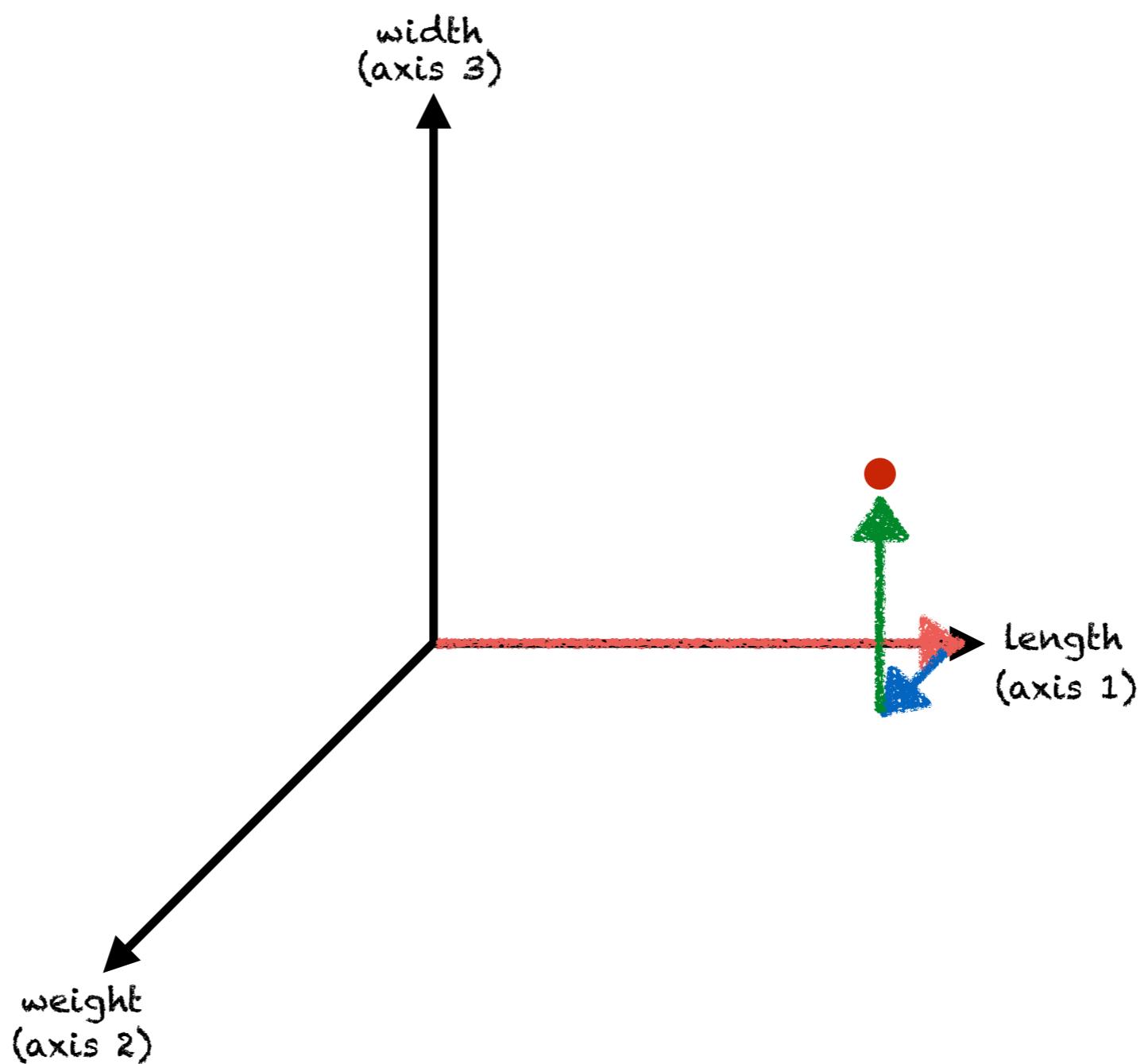
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to a point along basis vectors.

For any set of data points, the  
basis vectors are the same. We  
compare the points by comparing  
their coordinates.



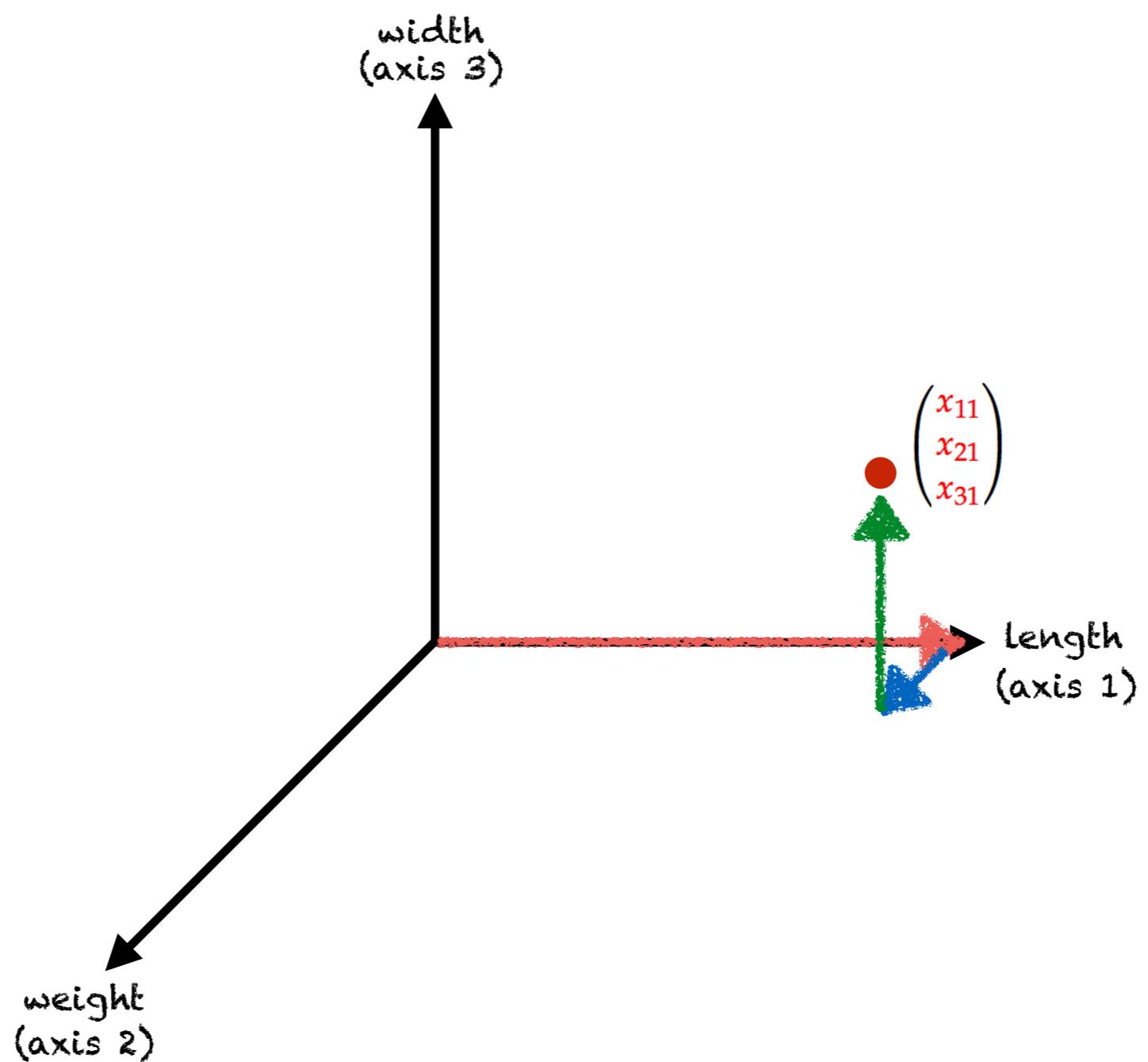
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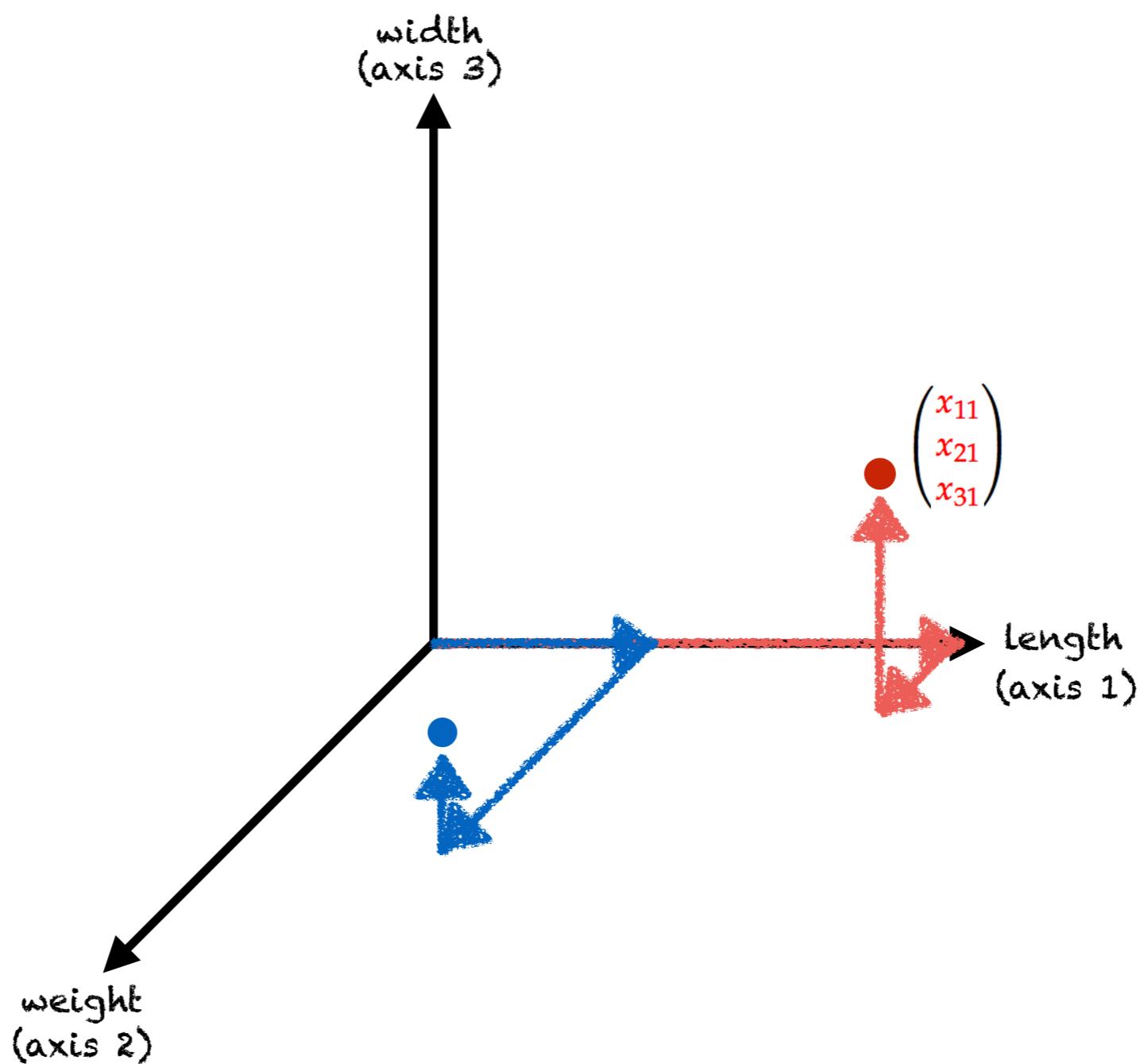
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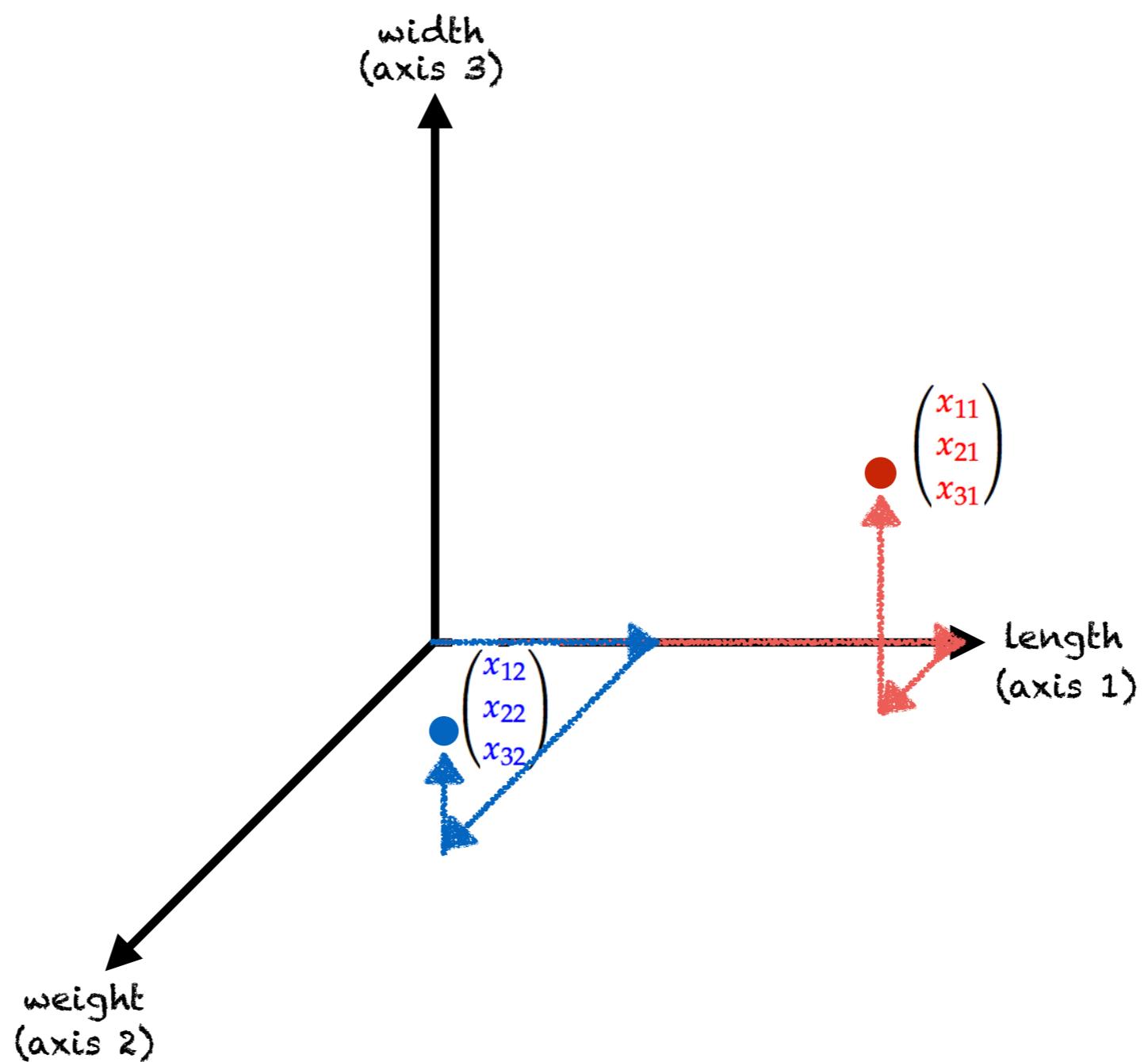
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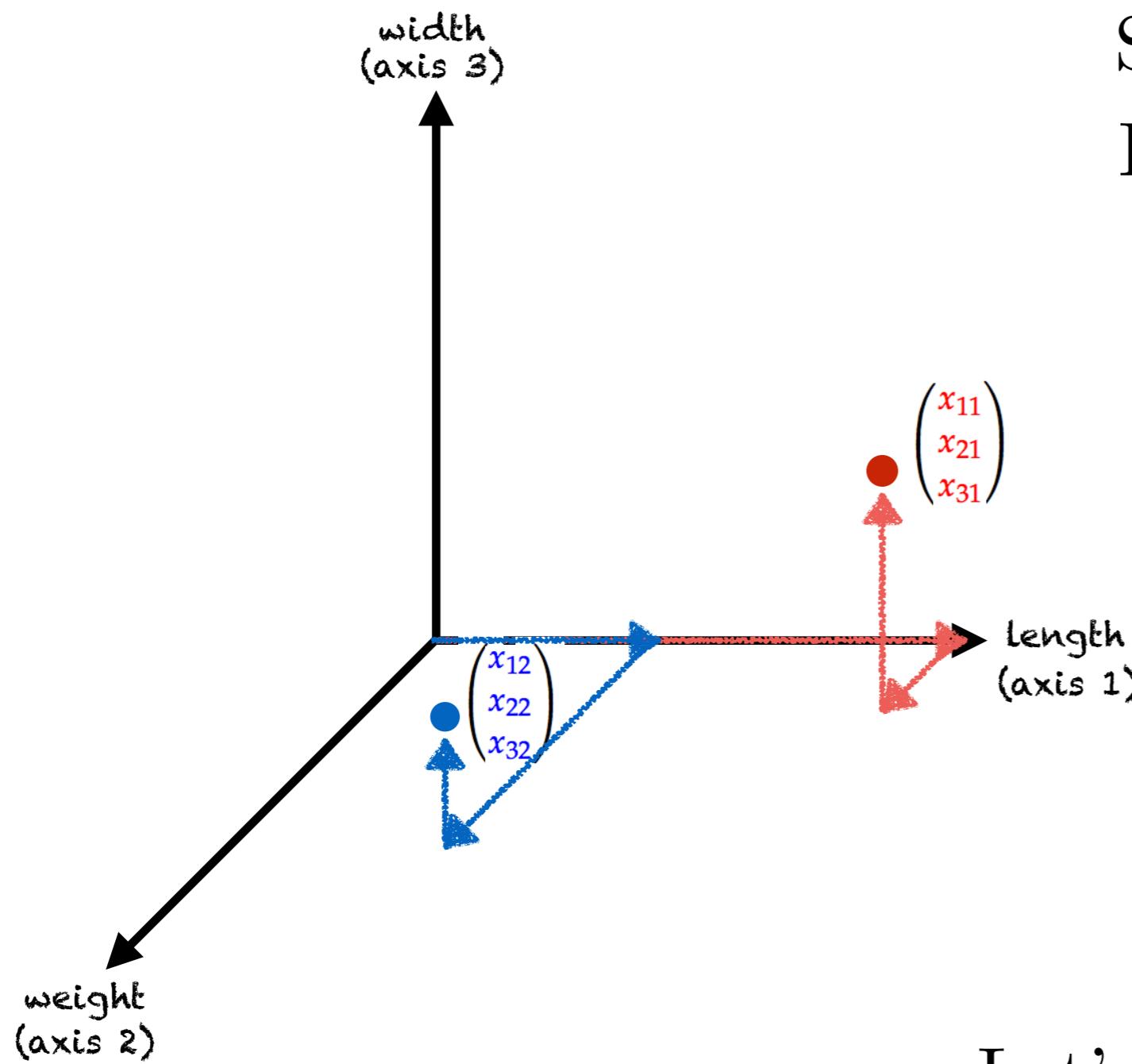


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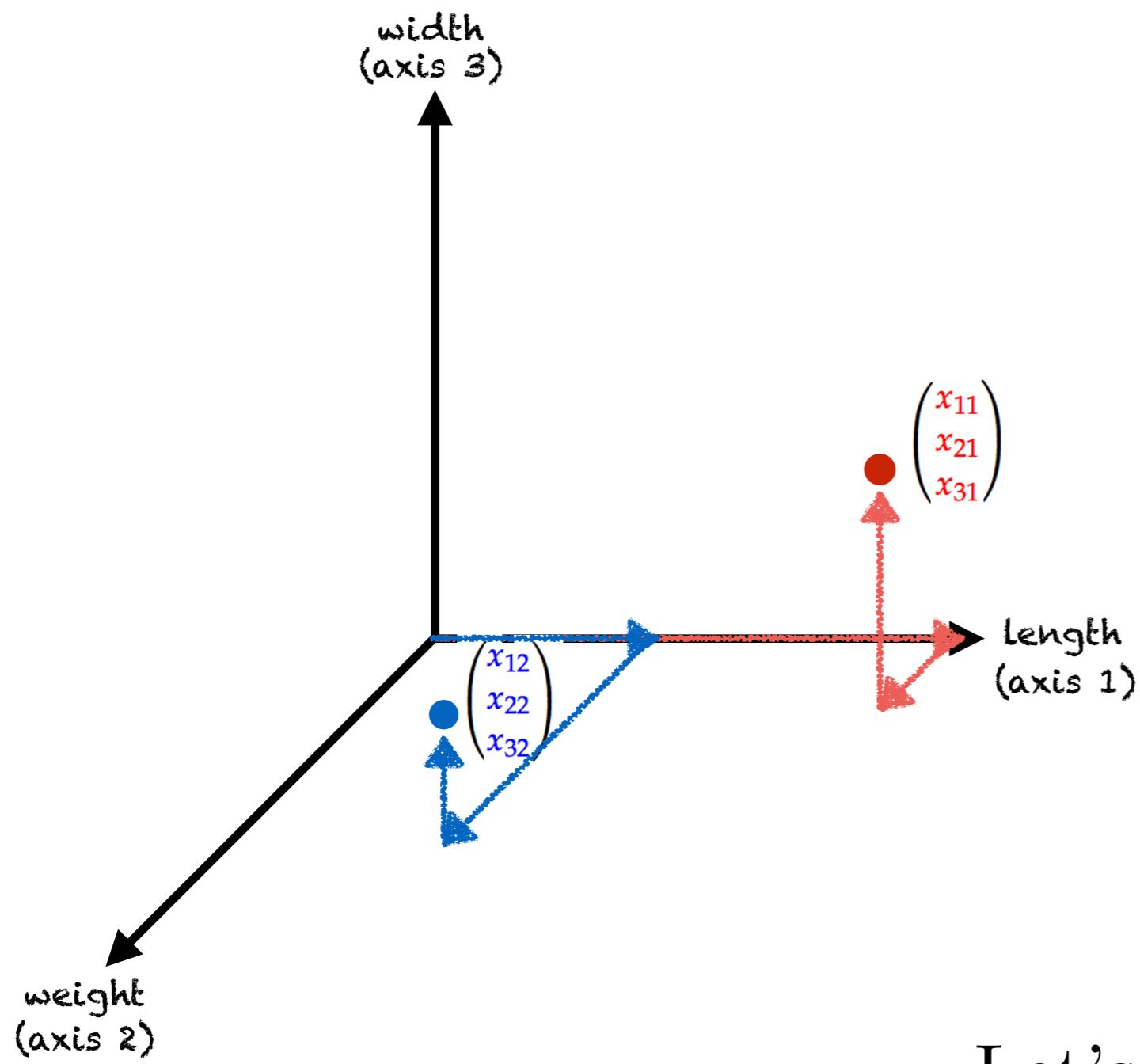
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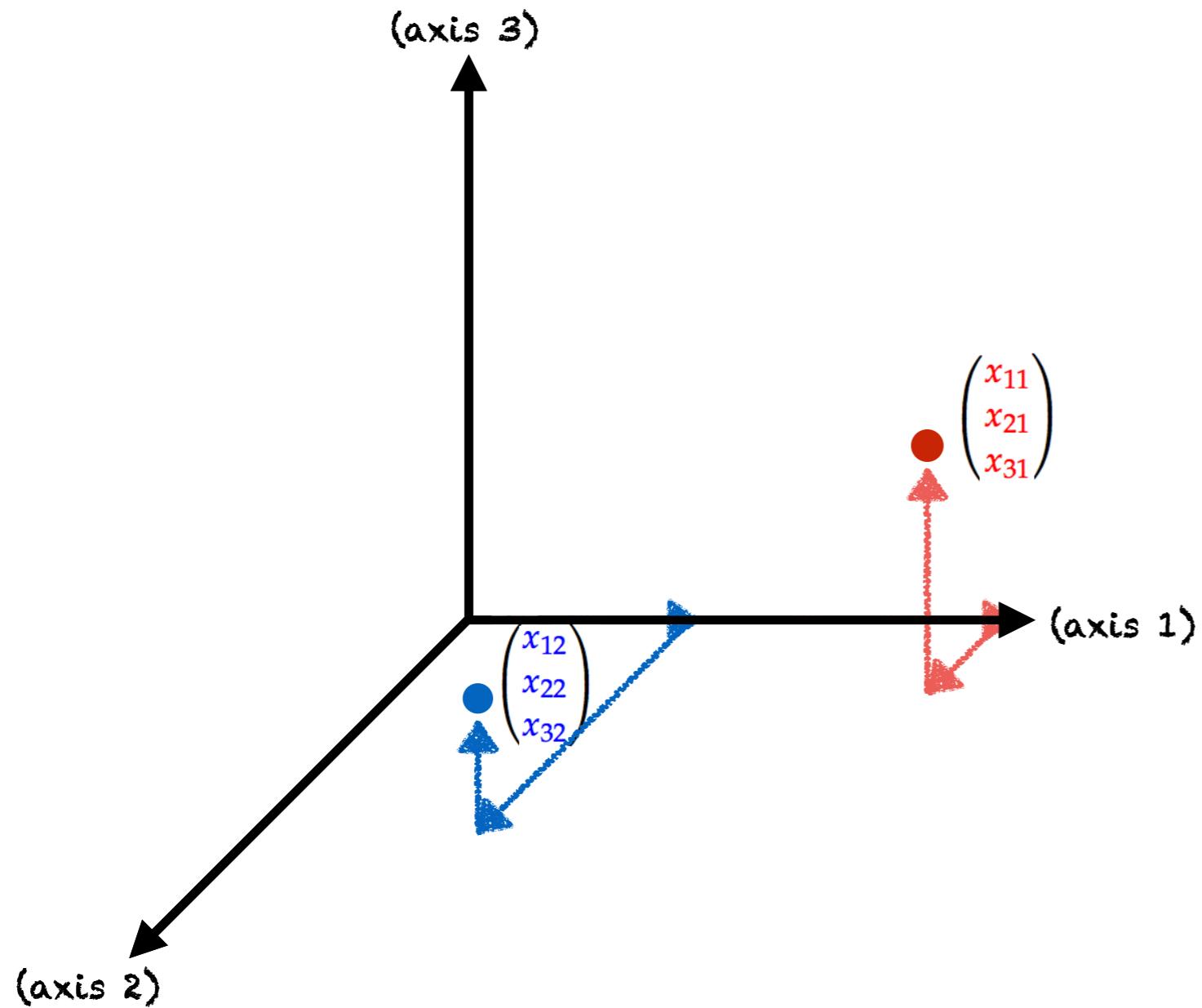
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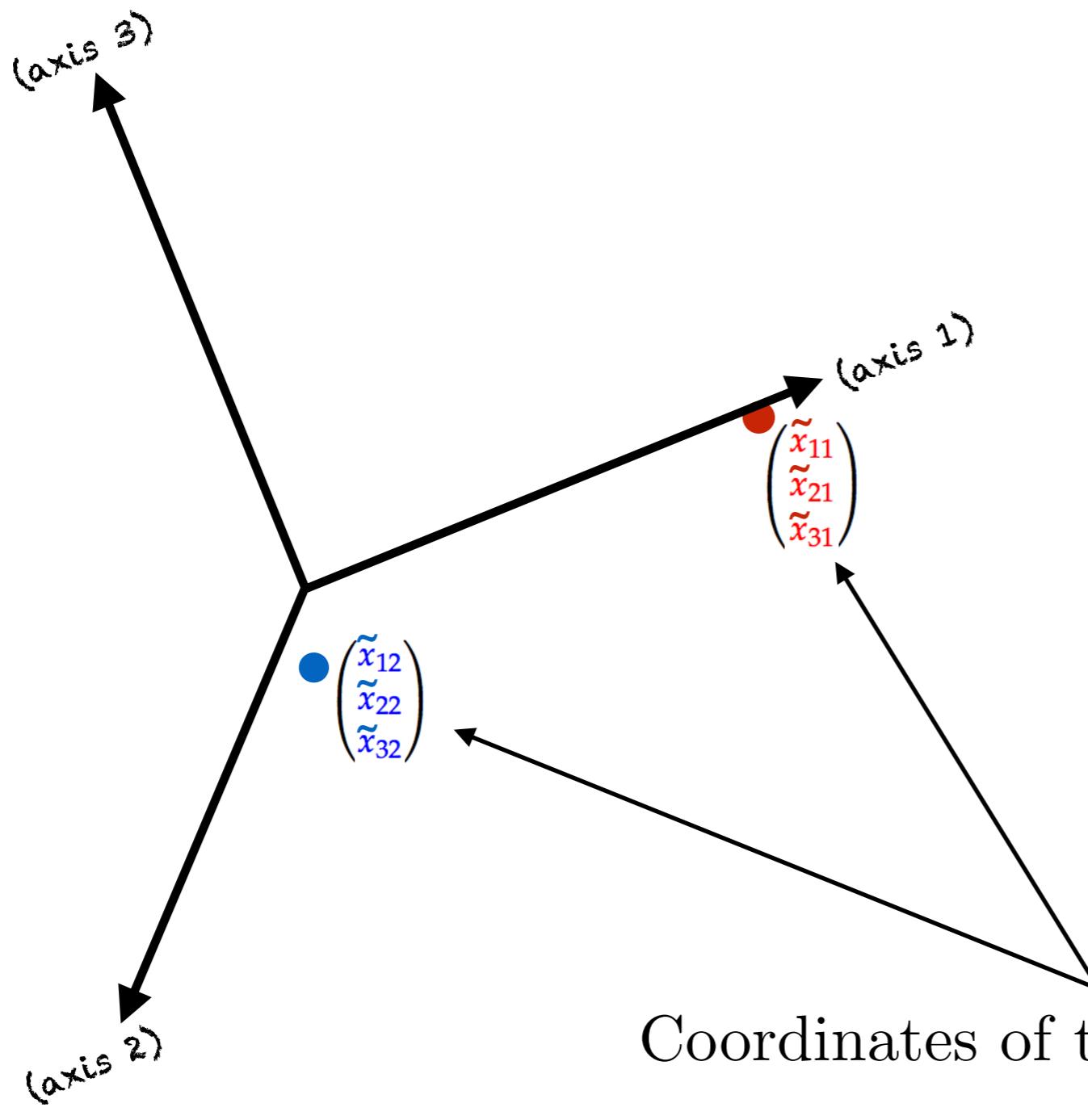
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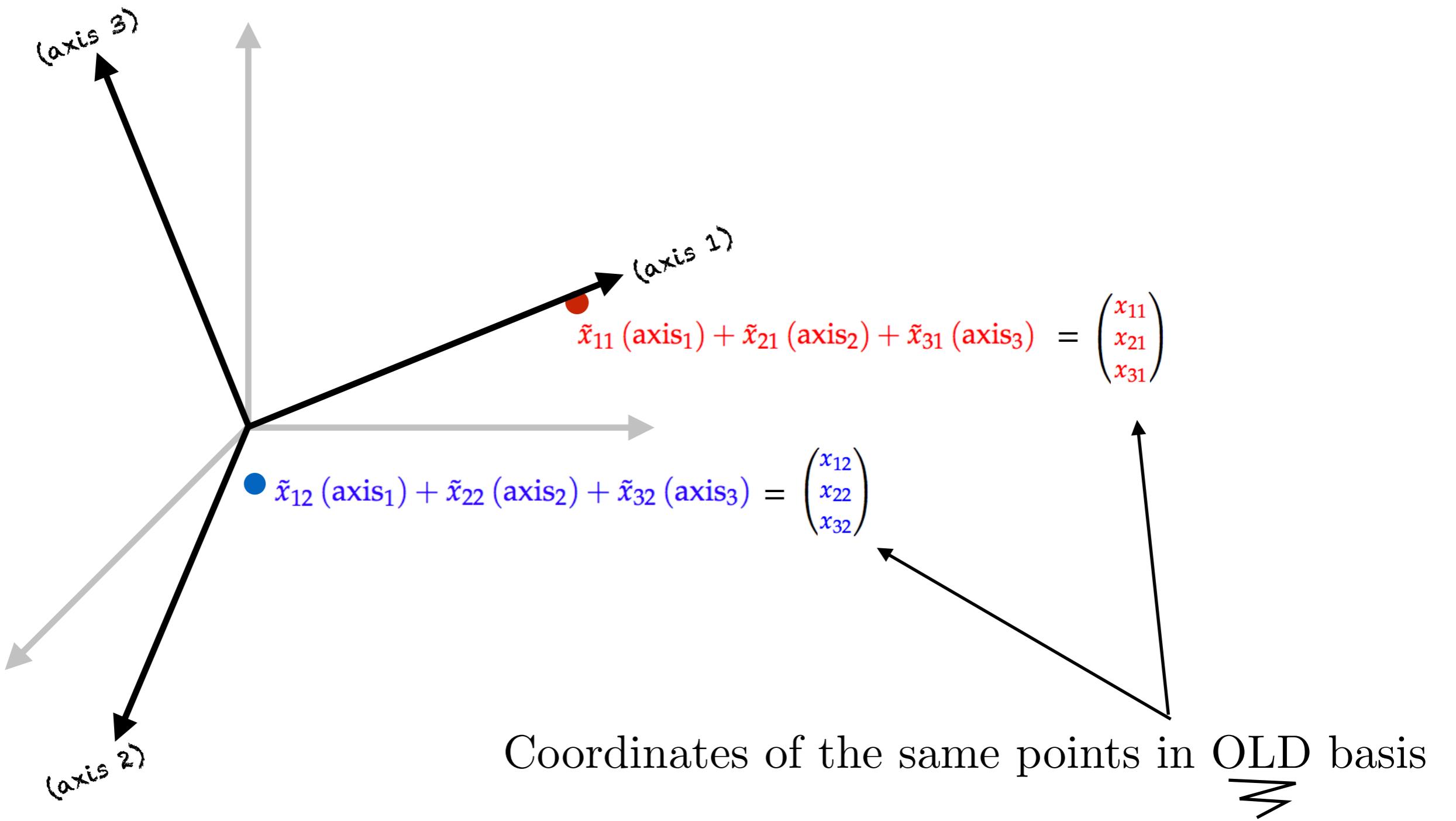
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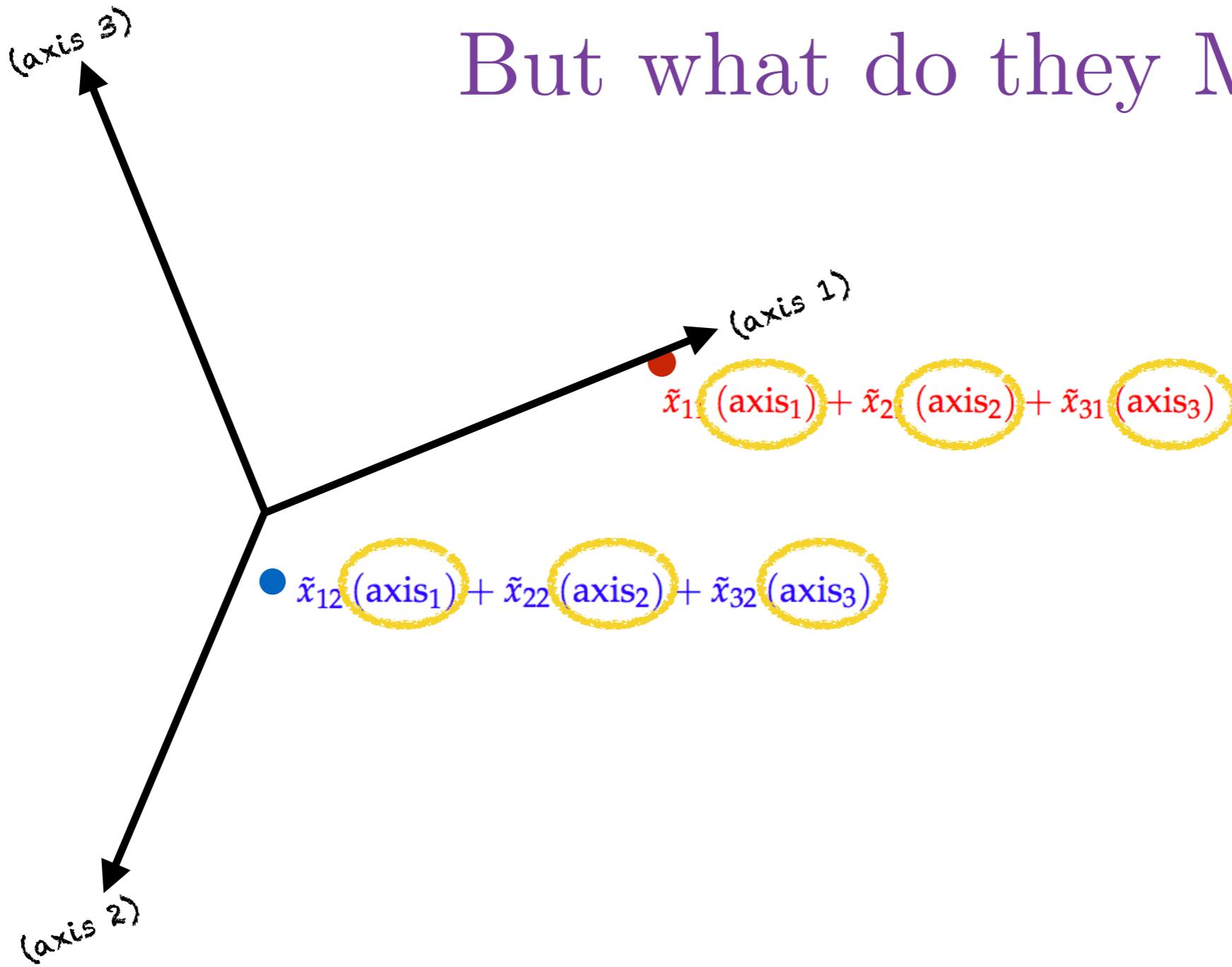


Coordinates of the same points in new basis



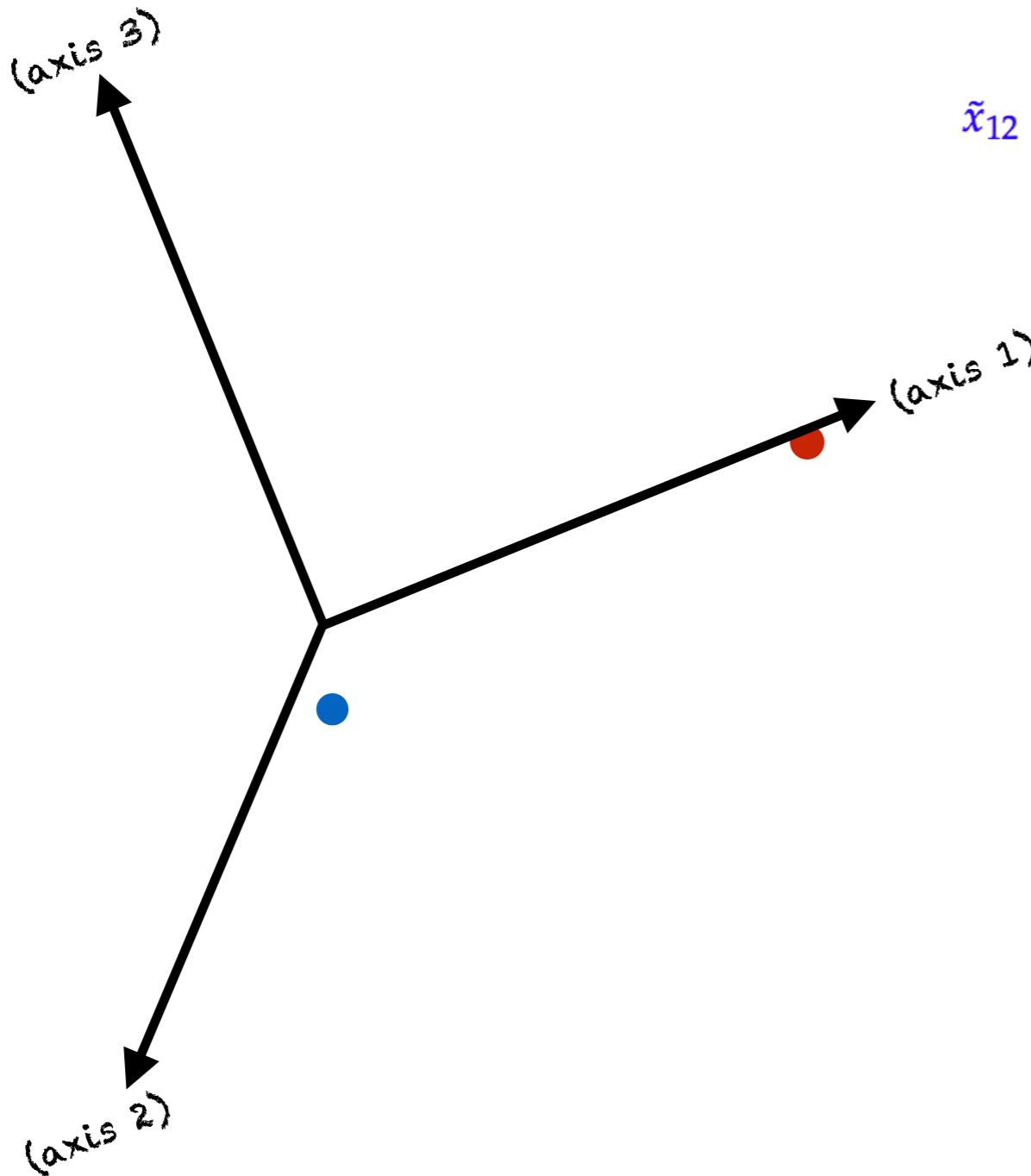
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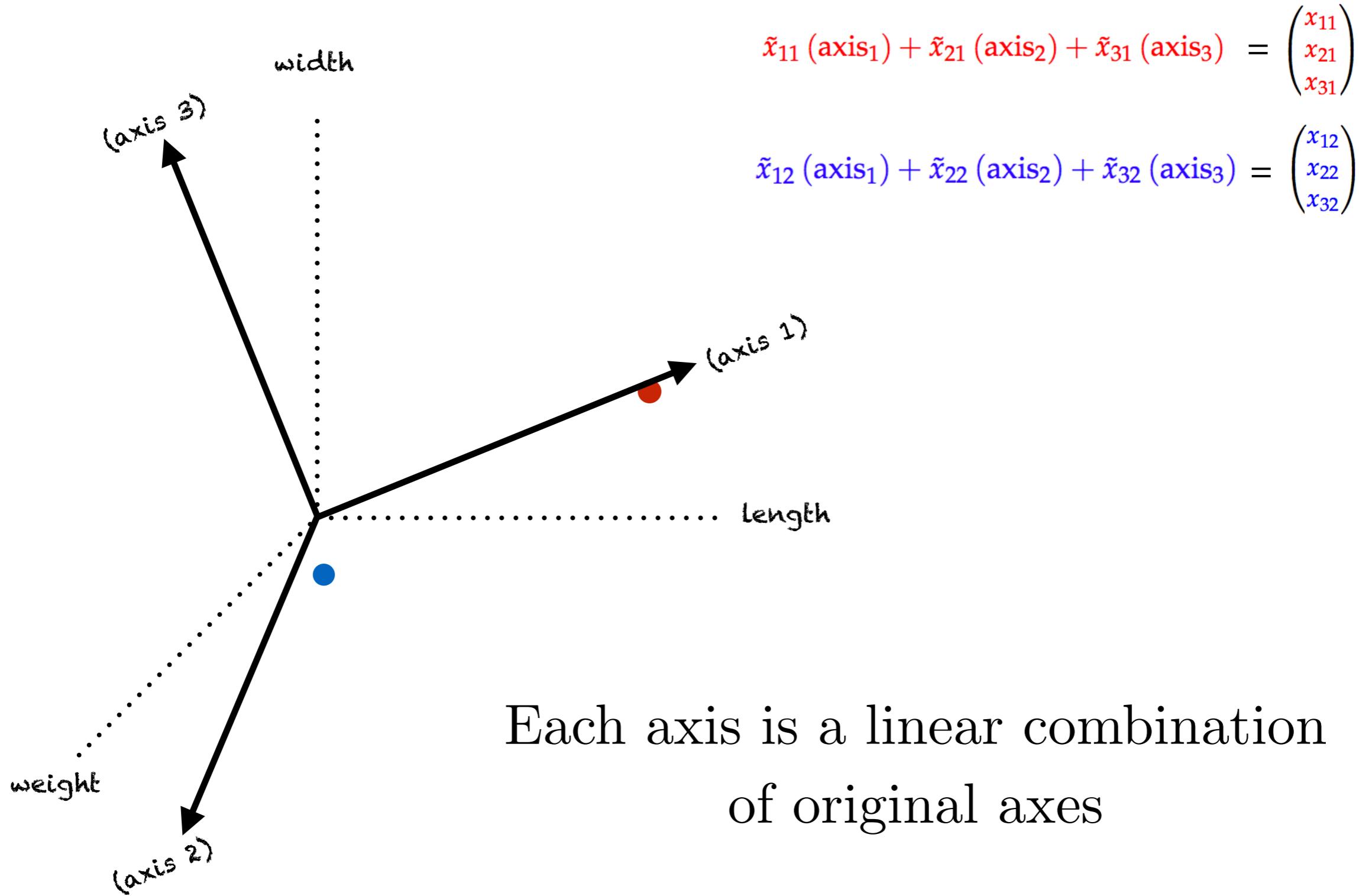


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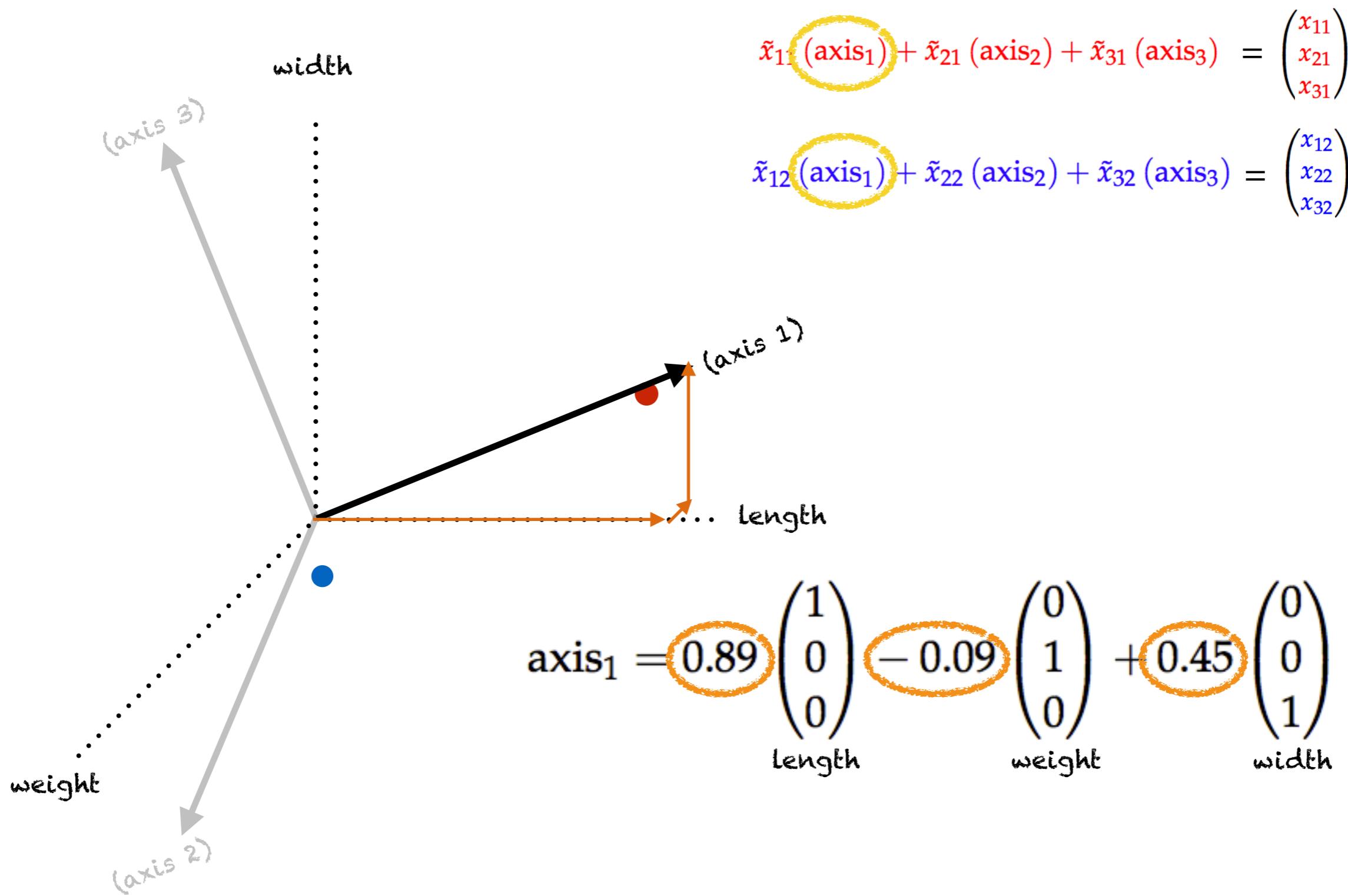
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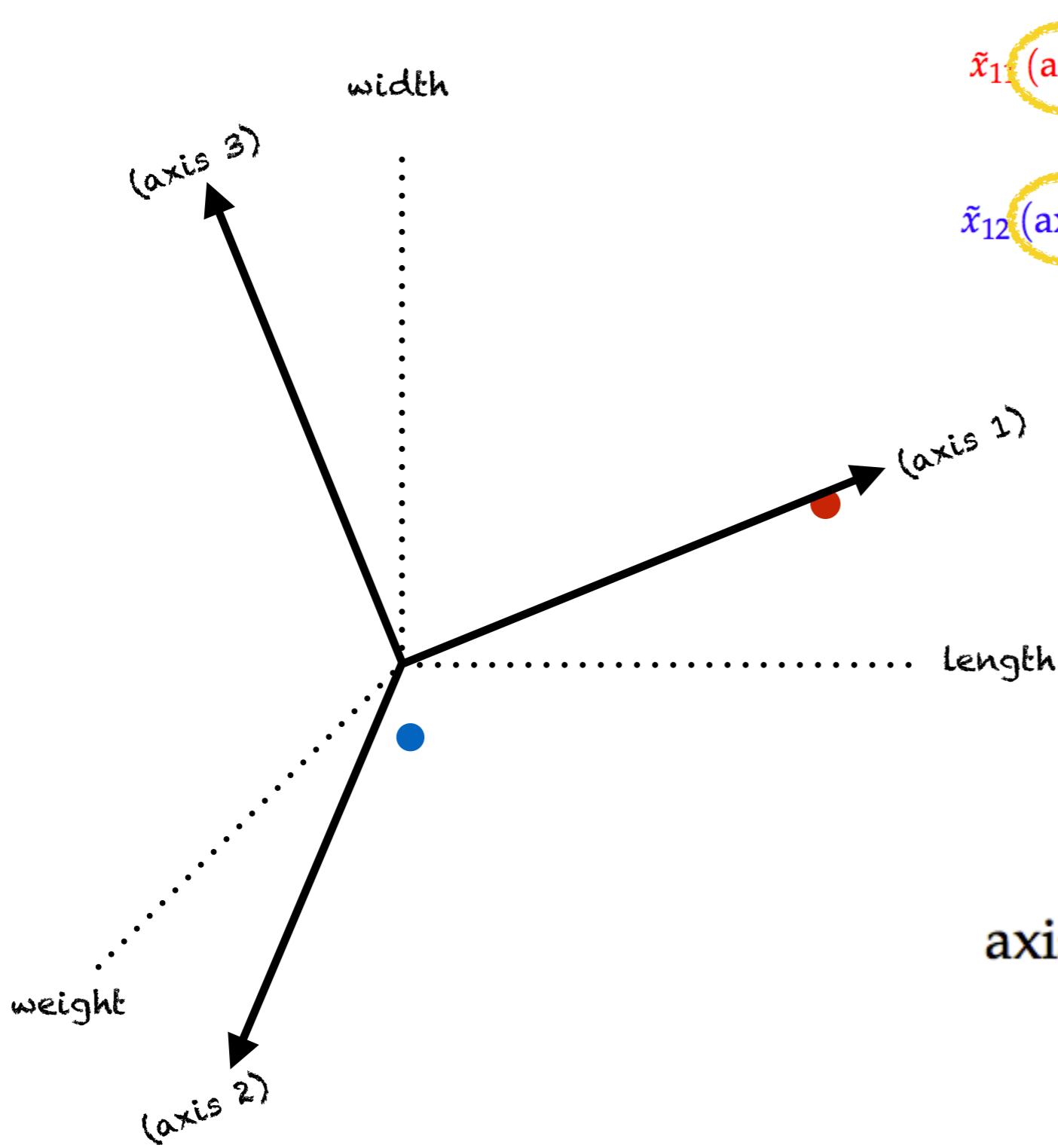
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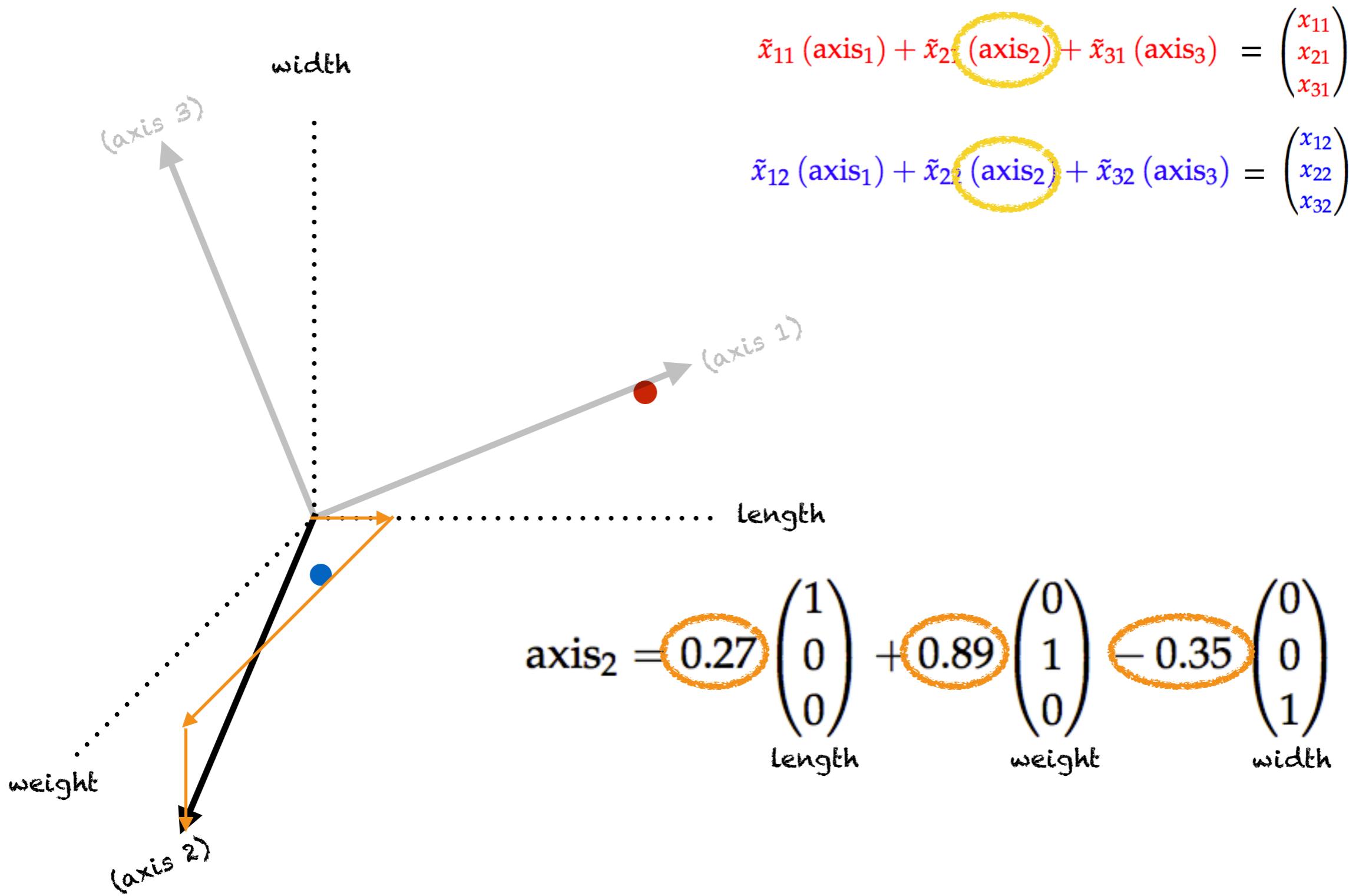
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$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

represents ...size?

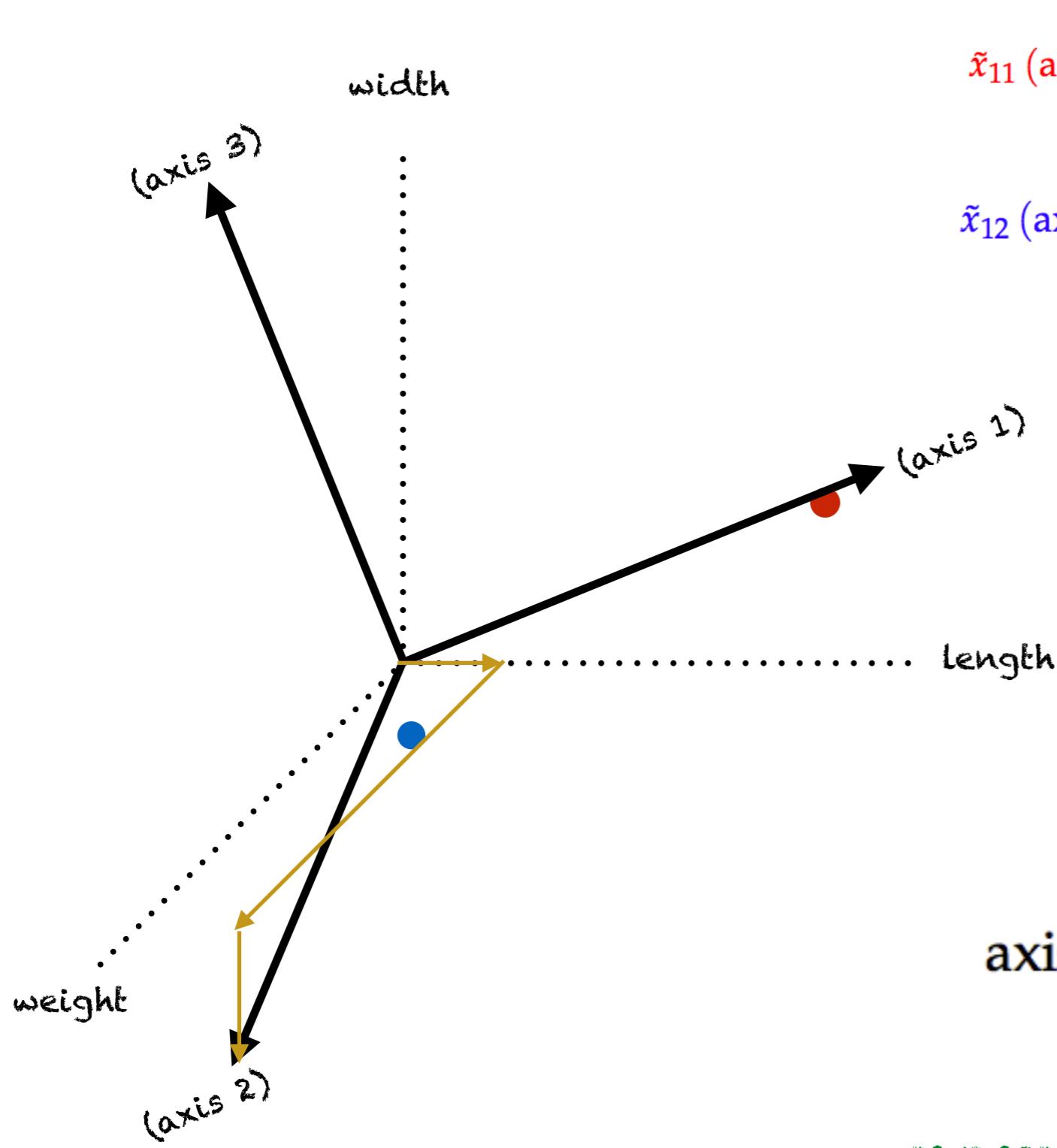
# These are the new basis vectors...

## But what do they MEAN?



# These are the new basis vectors...

## But what do they MEAN?



$$\tilde{x}_{11} \text{ (axis}_1\text{)} + \tilde{x}_{21} \text{ (axis}_2\text{)} + \tilde{x}_{31} \text{ (axis}_3\text{)} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix}$$

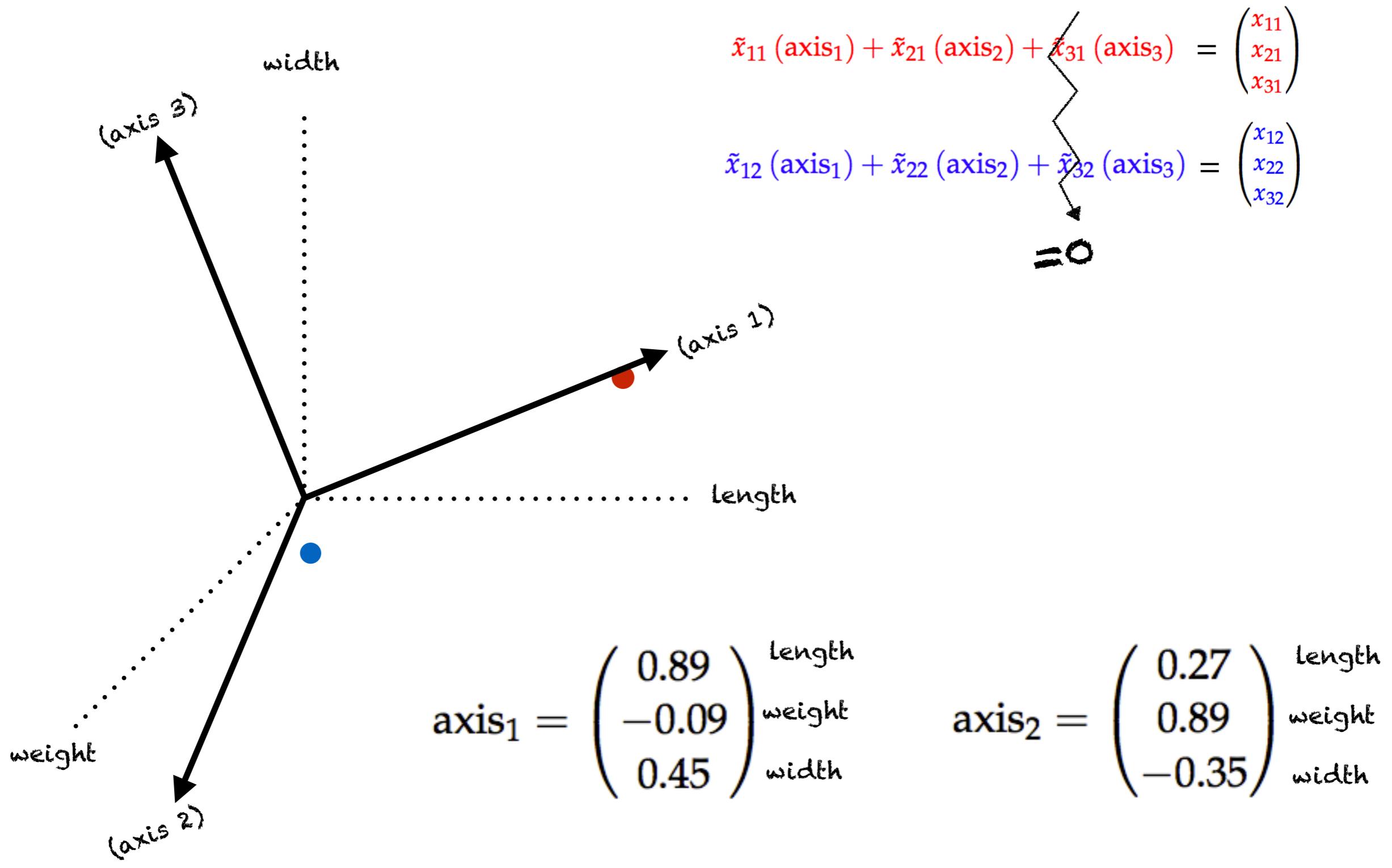
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$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

represents ... weight?

These are the new basis vectors...

But what do they MEAN?



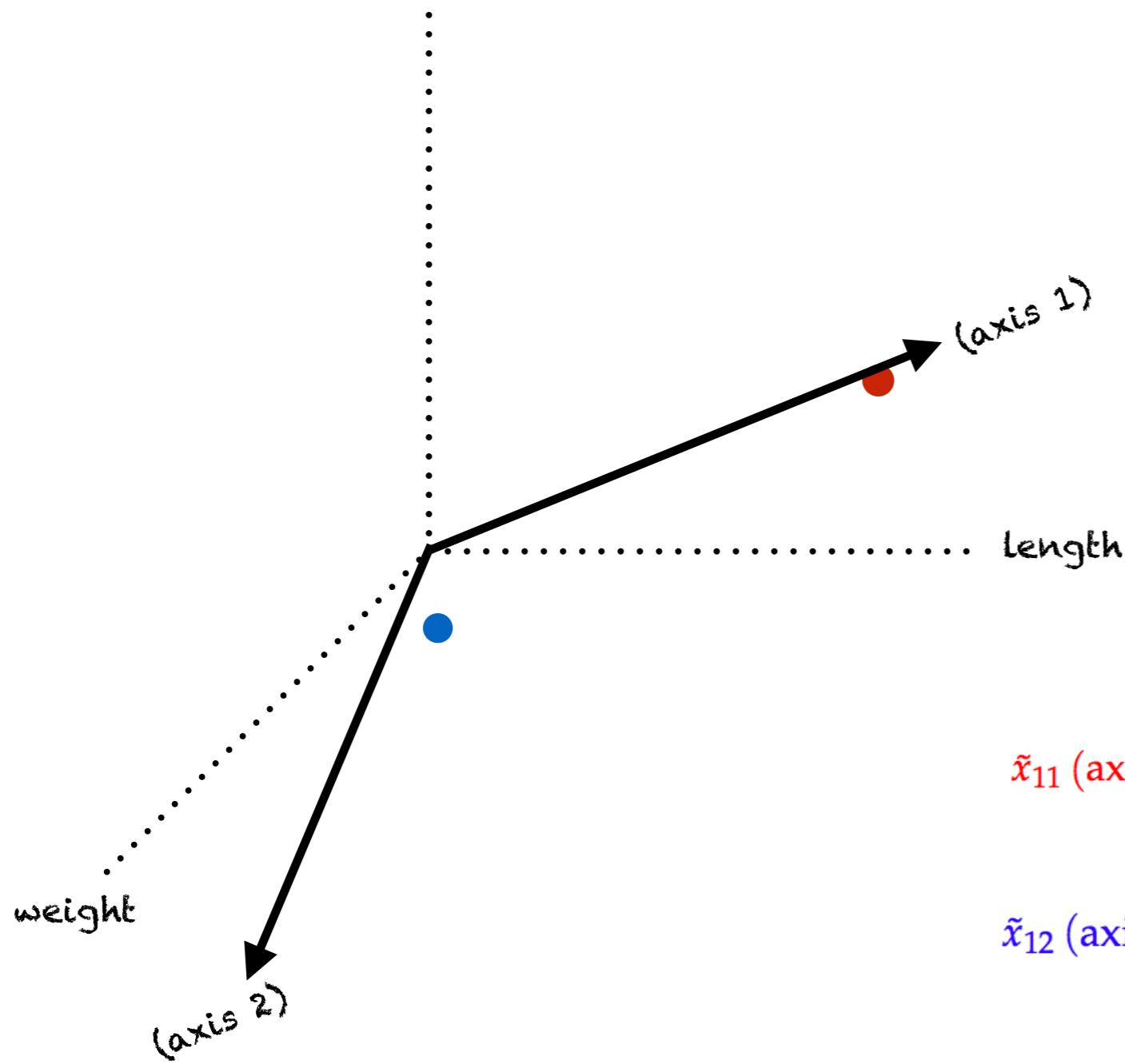
Let's ignore axis 3 for now...

$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

**(size)**

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

**(weight)**



$$\tilde{x}_{11} (\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{21} (\text{axis}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix}$$

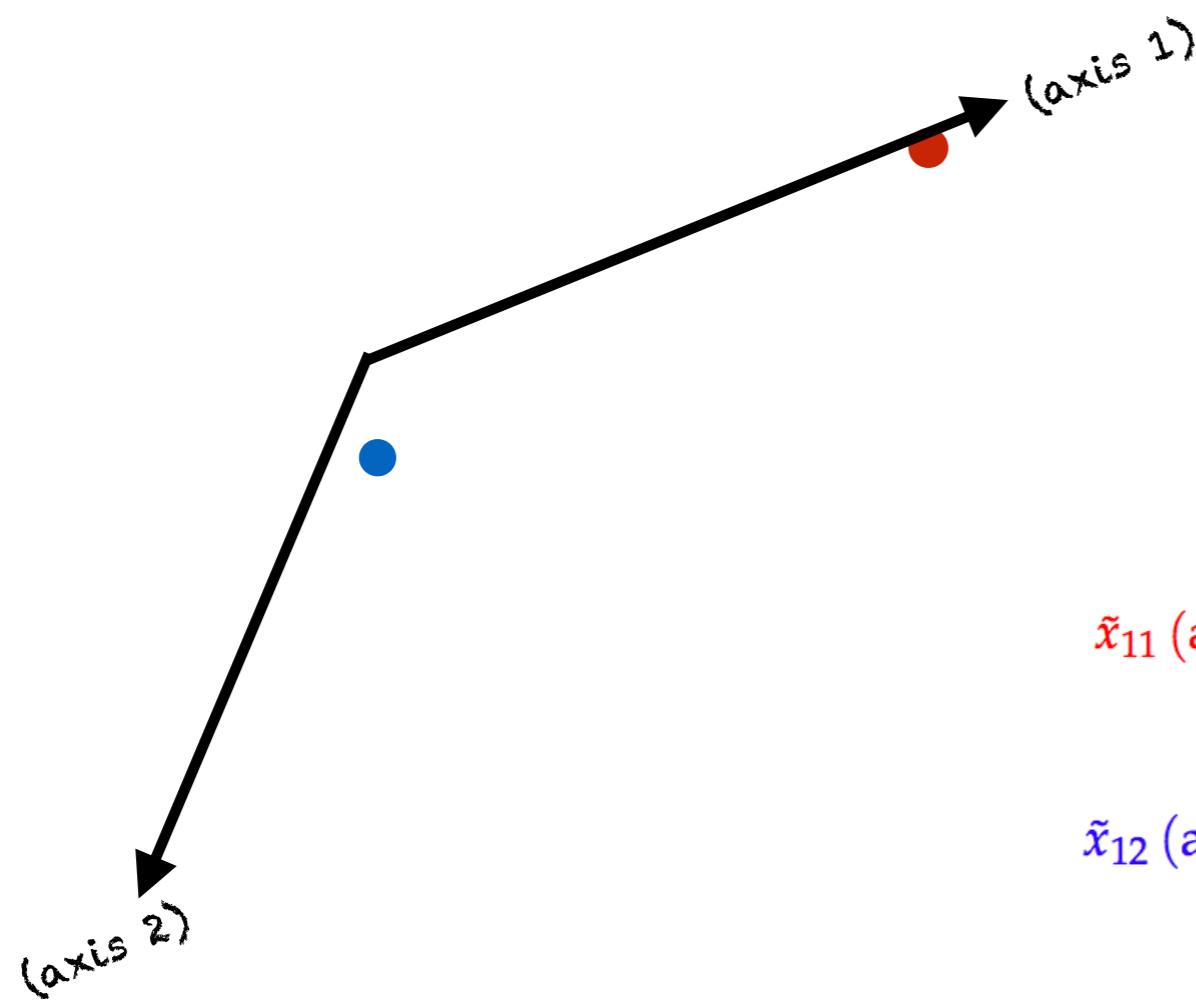
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**(size)**

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**(weight)**



$$\tilde{x}_{11} \text{ (axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{21} \text{ (axis}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix}$$

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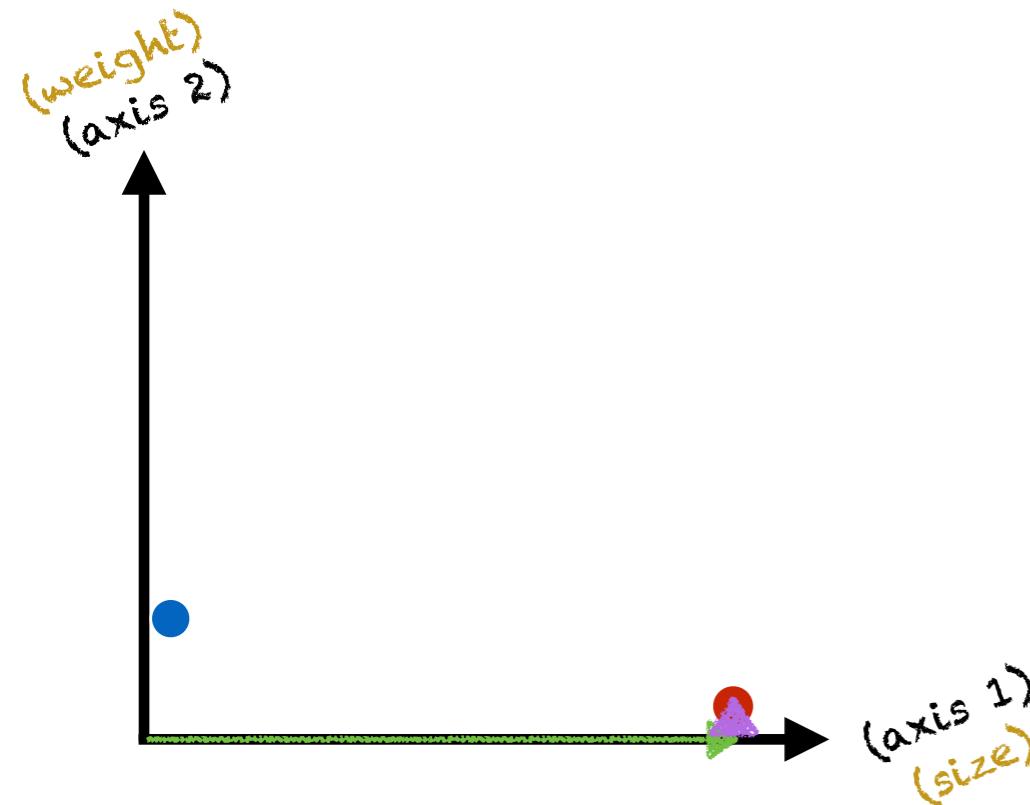
length  
weight  
width

**(size)**

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix}$$

length  
weight  
width

**(weight)**



$$\tilde{x}_{11}(\text{axis}_1) - \tilde{x}_{21}(\text{axis}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix}$$

Infer that the red point has:

**large size**

and

**small weight**

relative to blue point

$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix}$$

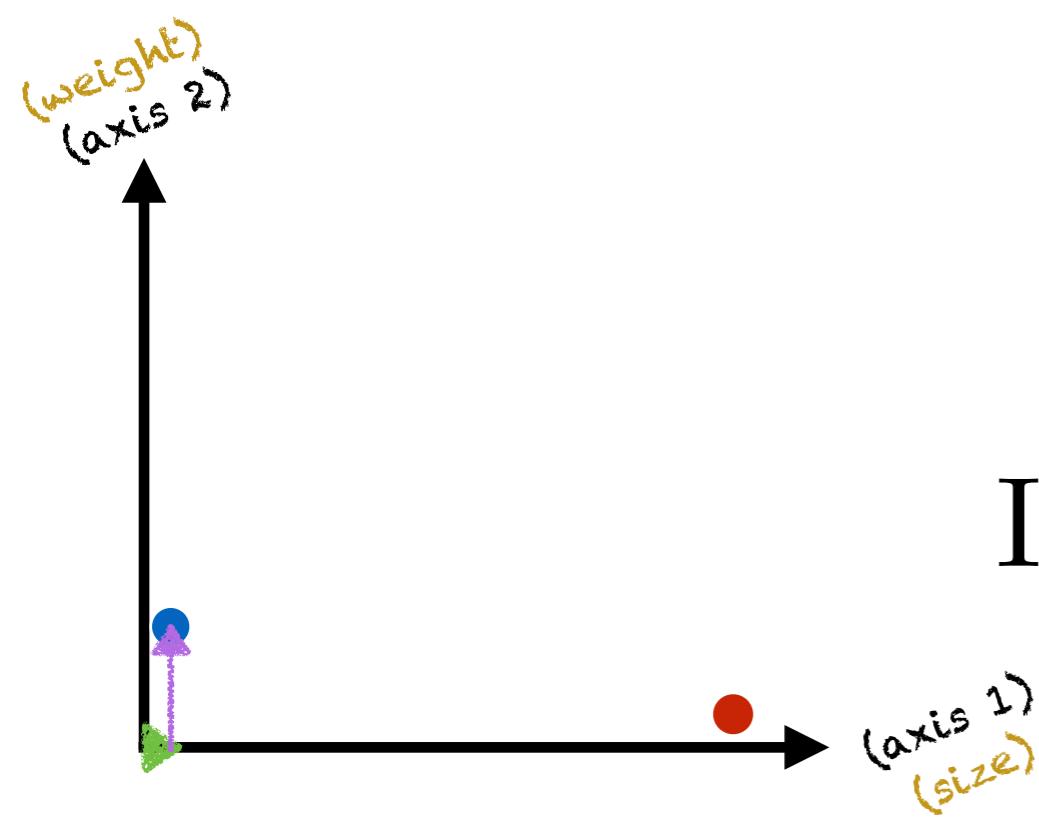
length  
weight  
width

**(size)**

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix}$$

length  
weight  
width

**(weight)**



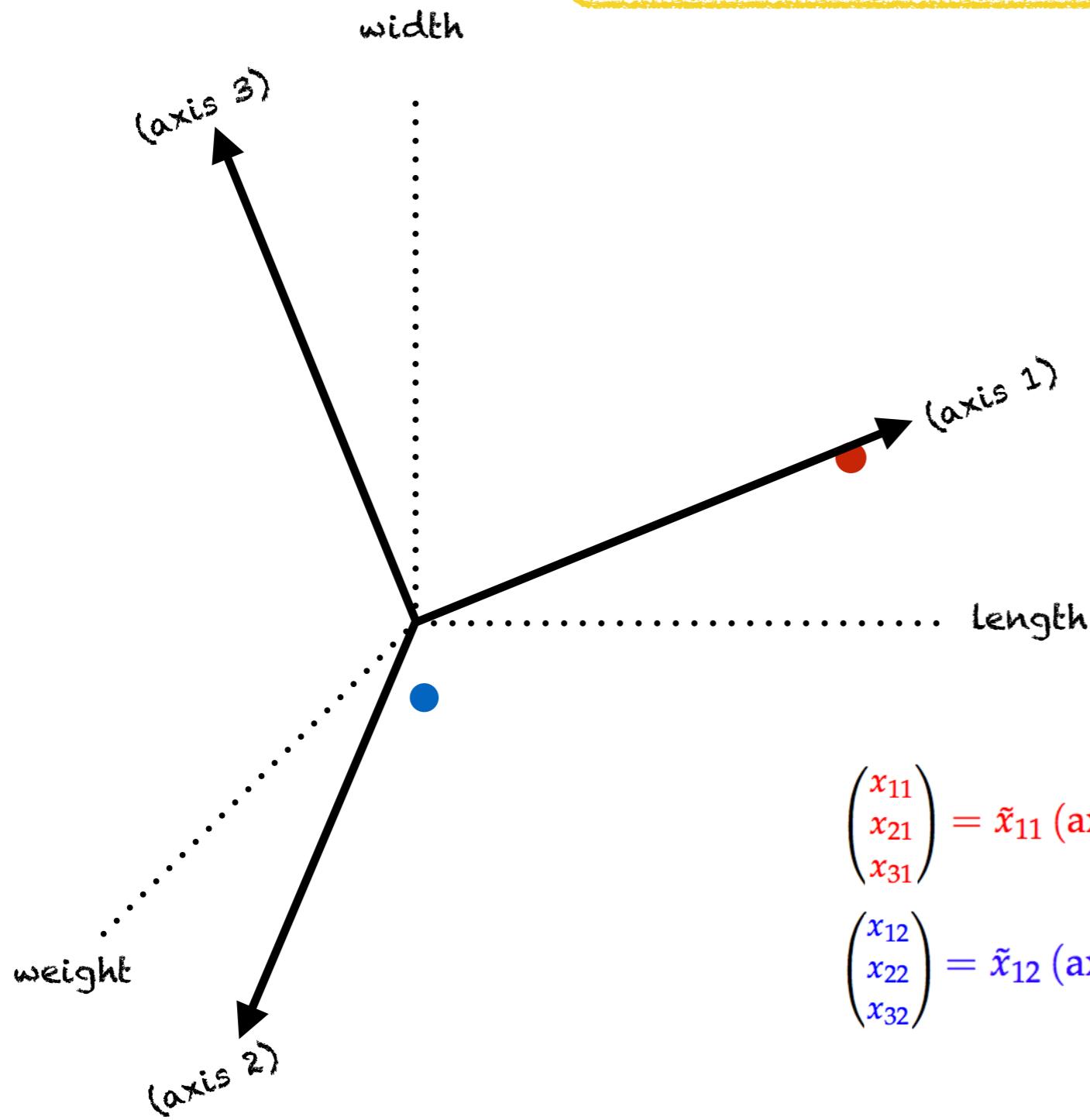
$$\tilde{x}_{12}(\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{22}(\text{axis}_2) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{12} \\ x_{22} \\ x_{32} \end{pmatrix}$$

Infer that the blue point has:  
**small size**  
 and  
**large weight**  
 relative to red point

# Some Terminology

$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$



## Factors

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{x}_{11} (\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{21} (\text{axis}_2) + \tilde{x}_{31} (\text{axis}_3)$$

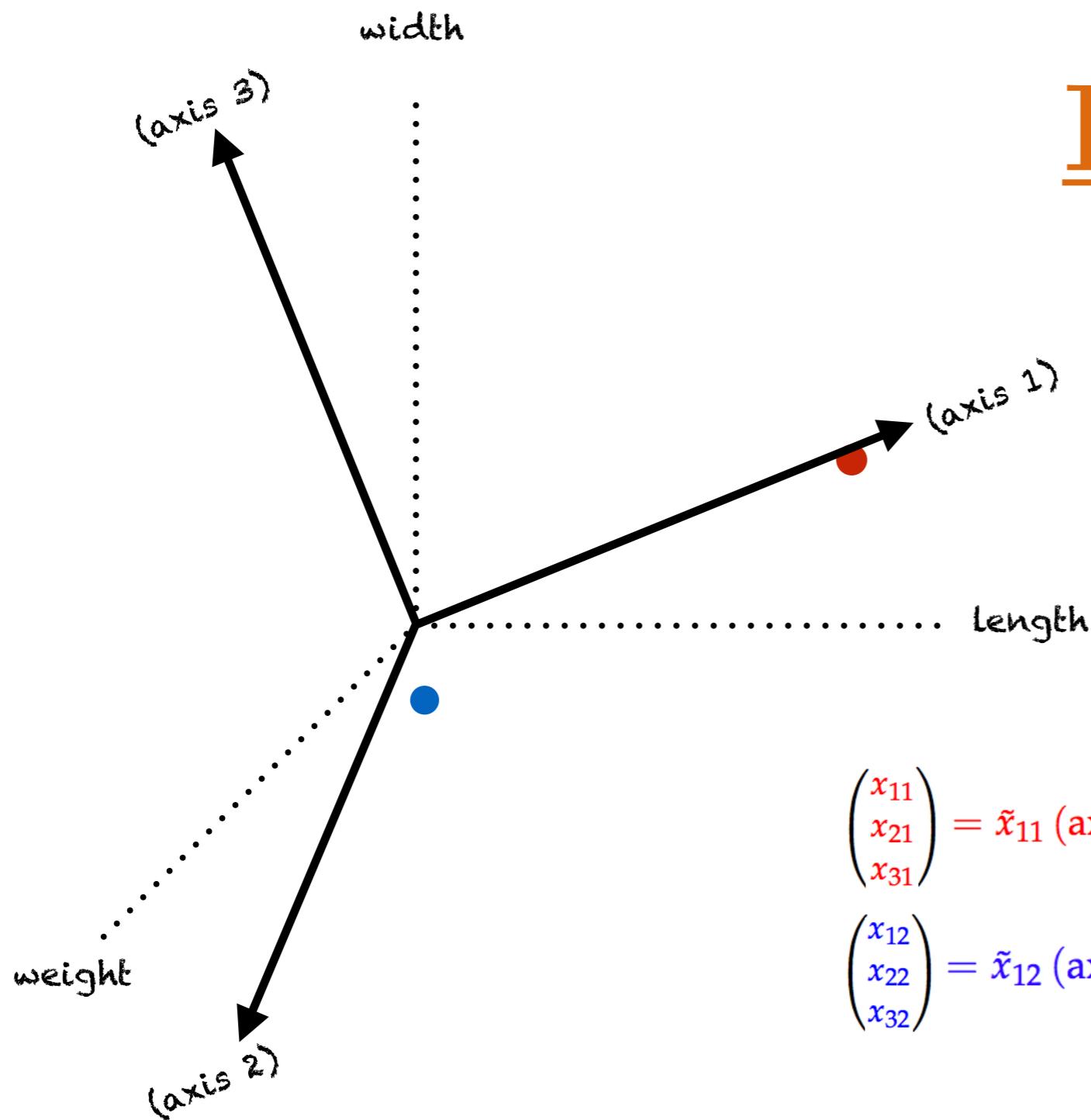
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$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix}$$

length  
weight  
width

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix}$$

length  
weight  
width



## Loadings

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{x}_{11} (\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{21} (\text{axis}_2) + \tilde{x}_{31} (\text{axis}_3)$$

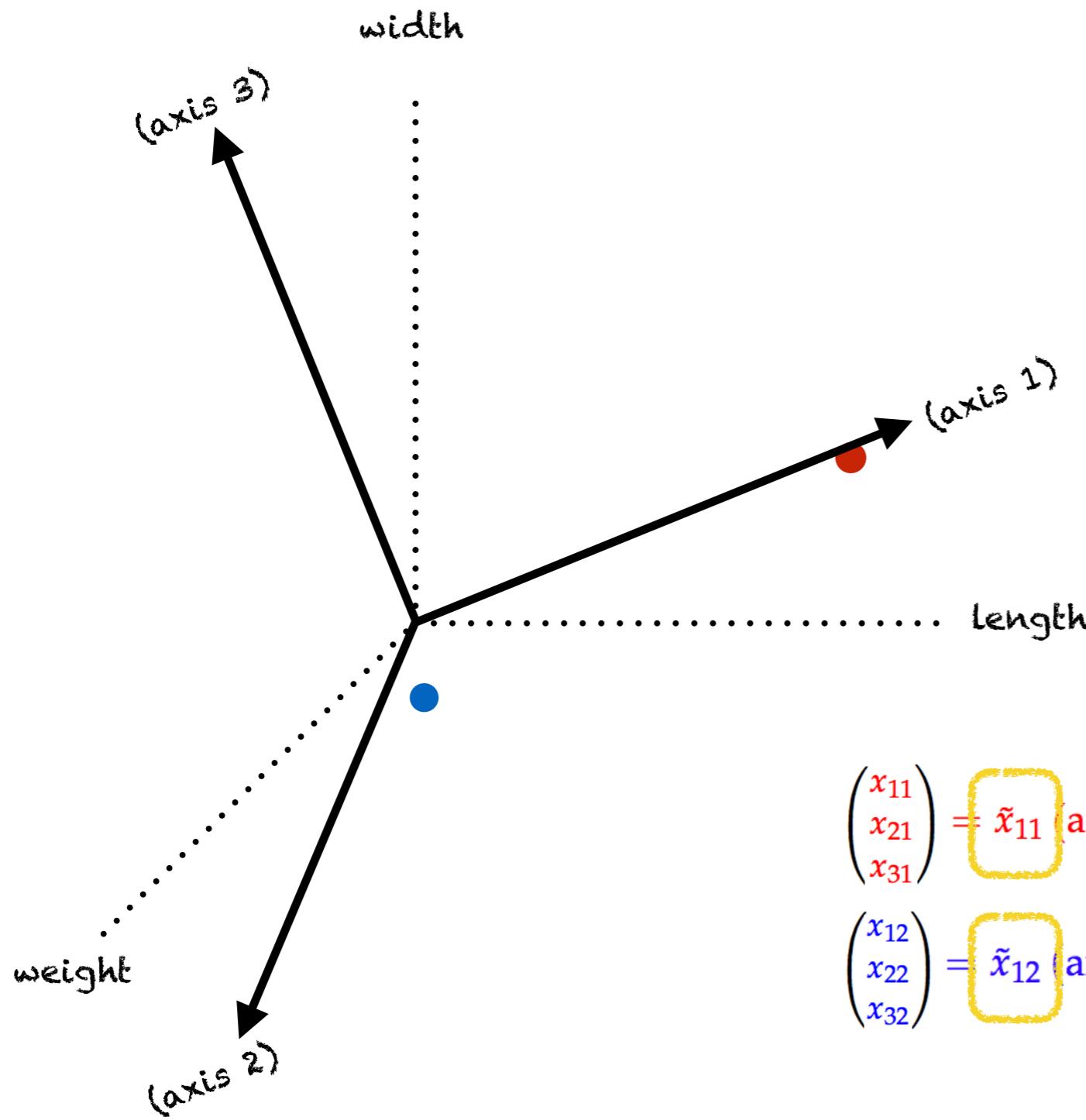
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$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix}$$

length  
weight  
width

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix}$$

length  
weight  
width



**Scores**  
or  
**Coordinates**

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{x}_{11} \text{ (axis}_1 \text{)} + \tilde{x}_{21} \text{ (axis}_2 \text{)} + \tilde{x}_{31} \text{ (axis}_3 \text{)}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{12} \\ x_{22} \\ x_{32} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{x}_{12} \text{ (axis}_1 \text{)} + \tilde{x}_{22} \text{ (axis}_2 \text{)} + \tilde{x}_{32} \text{ (axis}_3 \text{)}$$

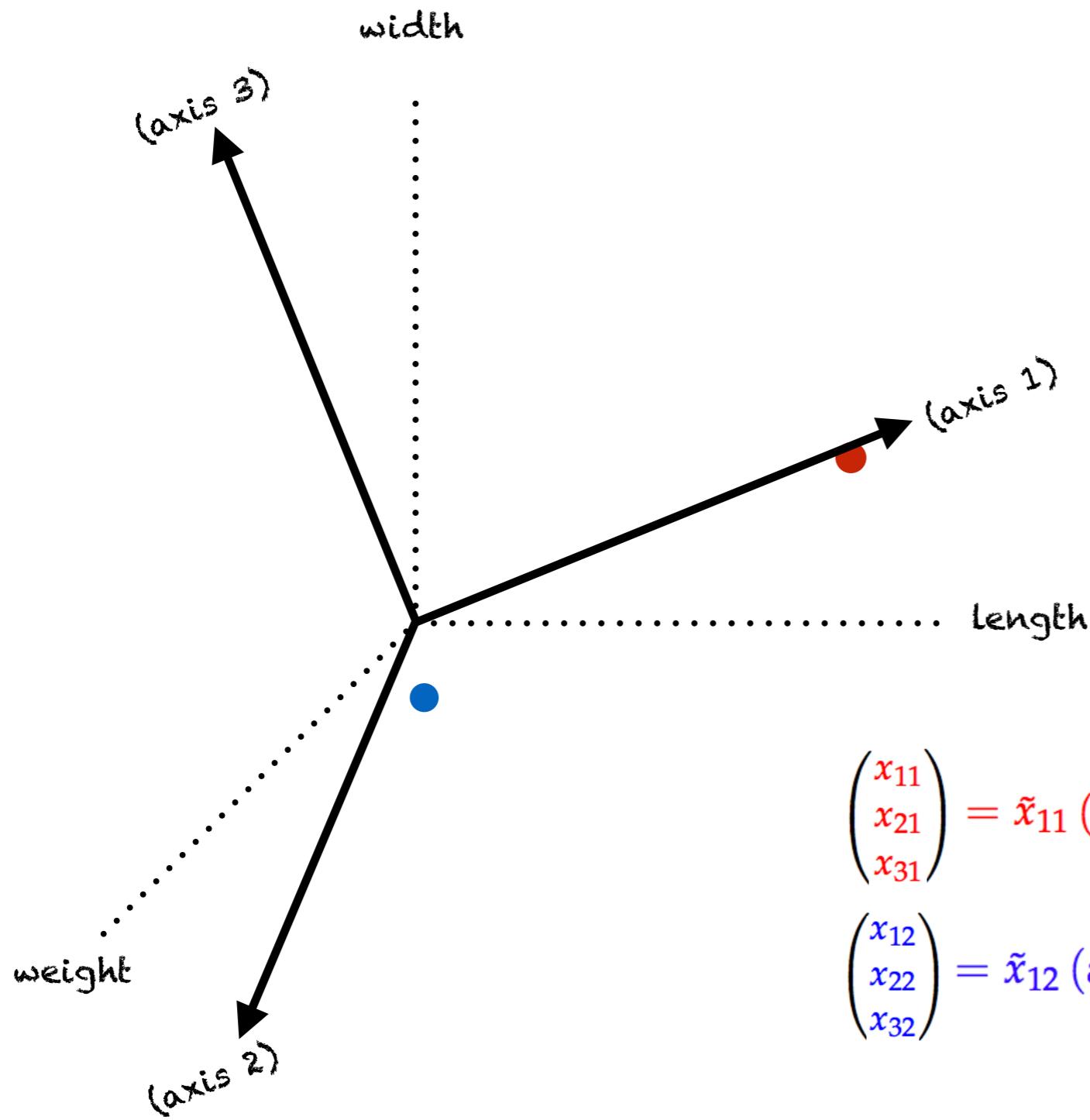
# Part 4:

# One Step Further

## Back to Matrix Multiplication

$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

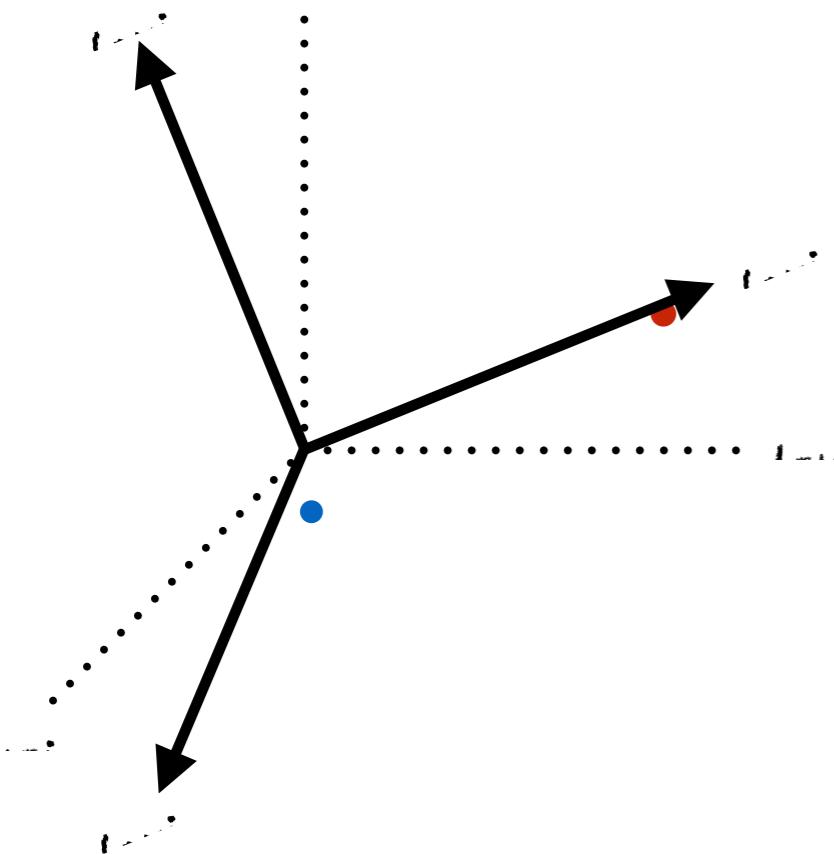


$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{x}_{11} (\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{21} (\text{axis}_2) + \tilde{x}_{31} (\text{axis}_3)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{12} \\ x_{22} \\ x_{32} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{x}_{12} (\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{22} (\text{axis}_2) + \tilde{x}_{32} (\text{axis}_3) \approx 0$$

$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{axis}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

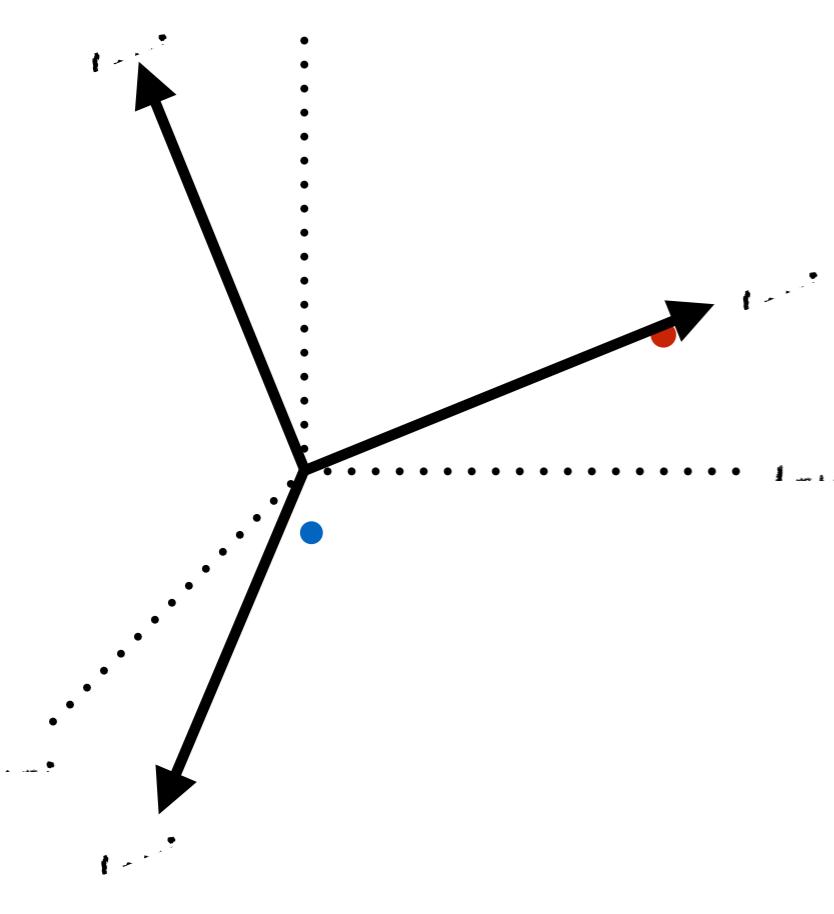


$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix} \approx \tilde{x}_{11}(\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{21}(\text{axis}_2)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{12} \\ x_{22} \\ x_{32} \end{pmatrix} \approx \tilde{x}_{12}(\text{axis}_1) + \tilde{x}_{22}(\text{axis}_2)$$

$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

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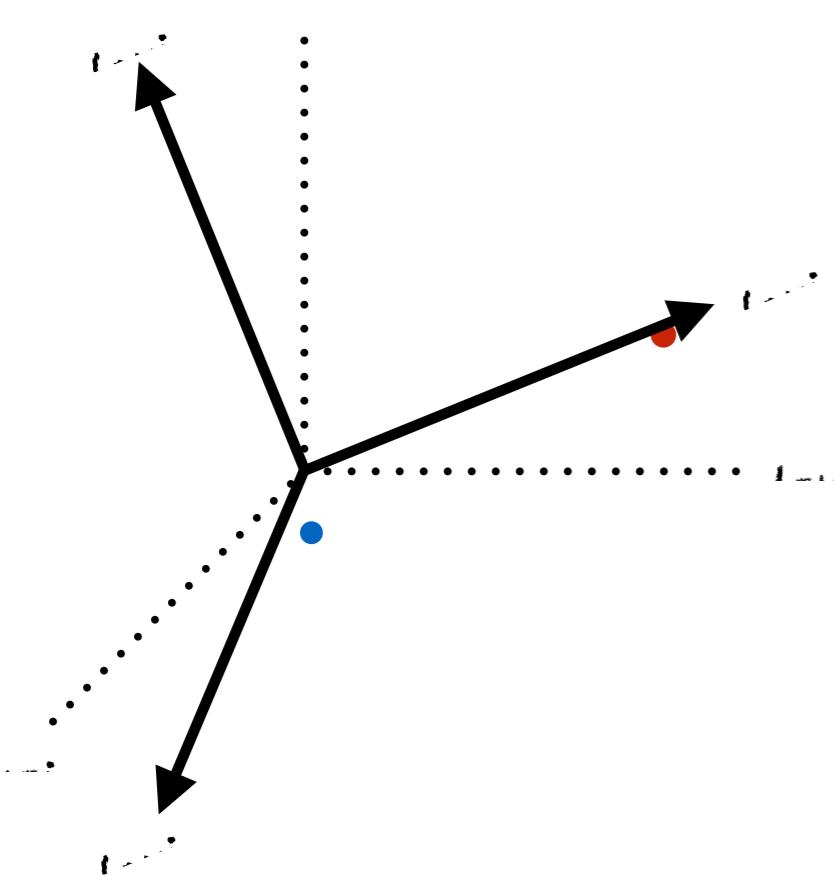


$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix} \approx \tilde{x}_{11} \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} + \tilde{x}_{21} \begin{pmatrix} 0.27 \\ 0.89 \\ -0.35 \end{pmatrix}$$

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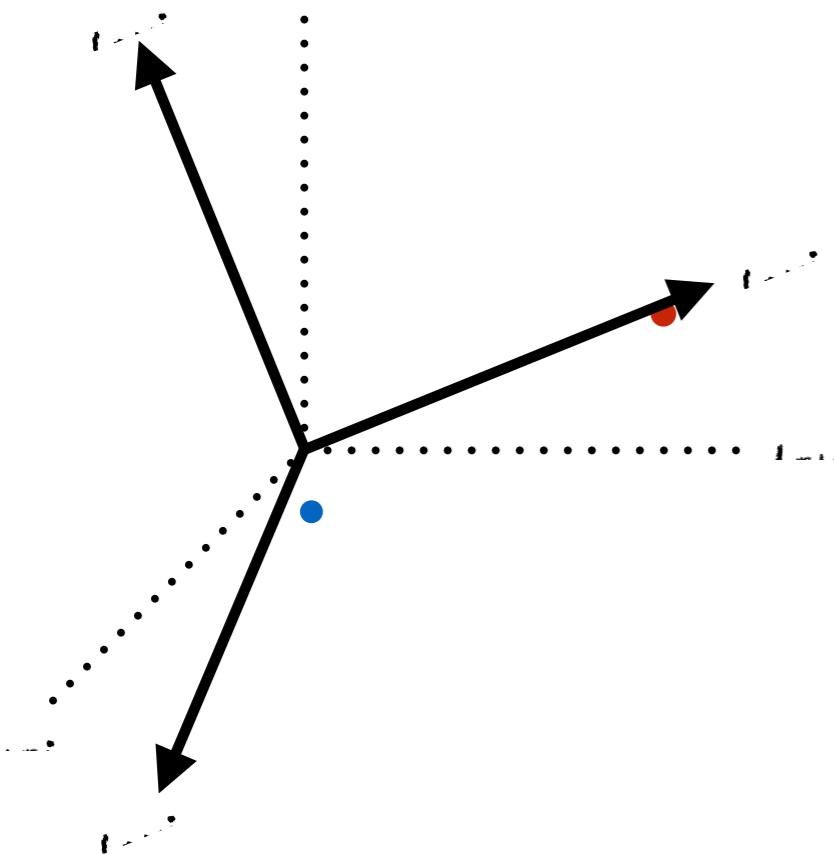


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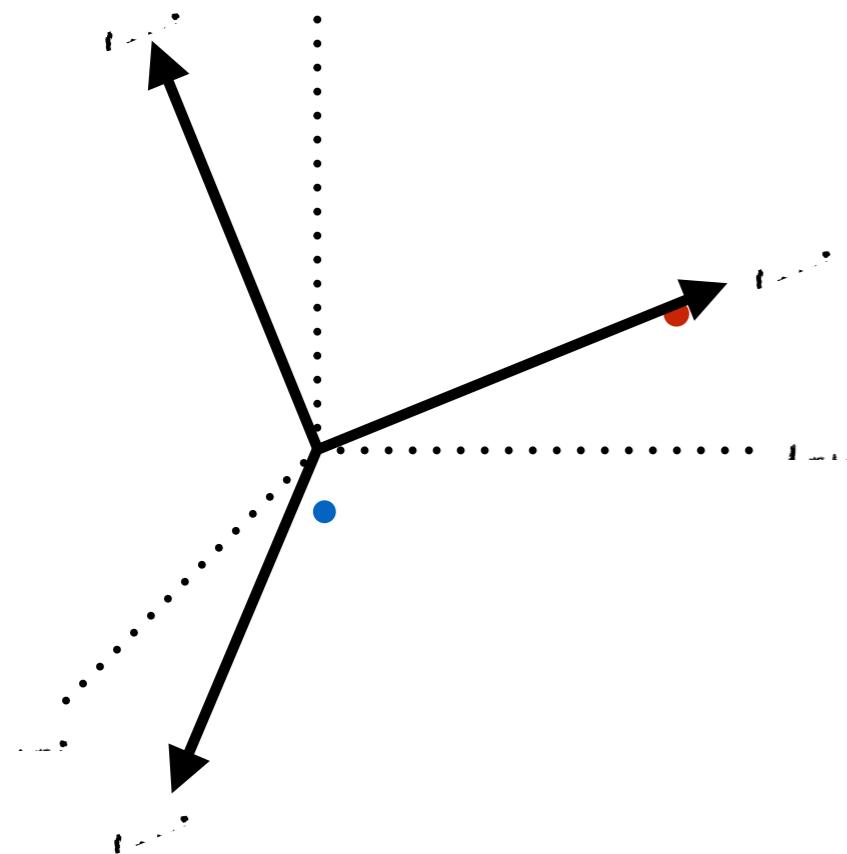
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Data Matrix                          “Latent” Factors                          Scores

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{X}} \approx \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.89 & 0.27 \\ -0.09 & 0.89 \\ 0.45 & -0.35 \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{F}} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_{11} & \tilde{x}_{12} \\ \tilde{x}_{21} & \tilde{x}_{22} \end{pmatrix}_{\mathbf{C}}$$

$$\text{axis}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 \\ -0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{length} \\ \text{weight} \\ \text{width} \end{matrix}$$

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Interpretability of latent factors is a little subjective, but soon you will be more comfortable with the idea!

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{31} \end{pmatrix} &\approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 & 0.27 \\ -0.09 & 0.89 \\ 0.45 & -0.35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \tilde{x}_{11} \\ \tilde{x}_{21} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} x_{12} \\ x_{22} \\ x_{32} \end{pmatrix} &\approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.89 & 0.27 \\ -0.09 & 0.89 \\ 0.45 & -0.35 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \tilde{x}_{12} \\ \tilde{x}_{22} \end{matrix} \end{aligned}$$

“Latent”

Data Matrix	Factors	Scores
$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} \end{pmatrix}}_X \approx \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0.89 & 0.27 \\ -0.09 & 0.89 \\ 0.45 & -0.35 \end{pmatrix}}_F \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_{11} & \tilde{x}_{12} \\ \tilde{x}_{21} & \tilde{x}_{22} \end{pmatrix}}_C$	<i>size</i>	<i>weight</i>

# Part 5:

# A More Complete Example

## (Nonnegative) Matrix Factorization for Text

# More Complete Example

## (Factors in Text)

Document 1

My **cat** likes to eat **dog** food. It's insane. He won't eat tuna, but **dog** food? He's all over it.

Document 2

Check out this video of my **dog** chasing my **cat** around the house! He never gets **tired**! Simon! The **cat** is not a **dog** toy! Dumb **dog**.

Document 3

I **injured** my **ankle** playing football yesterday. It is bruised and swollen. Maybe **sprained**?

Document 4

So **tired** of being **injured**. My **ankle** just won't get better! I **sprained** it 2 months ago!

# More Complete Example

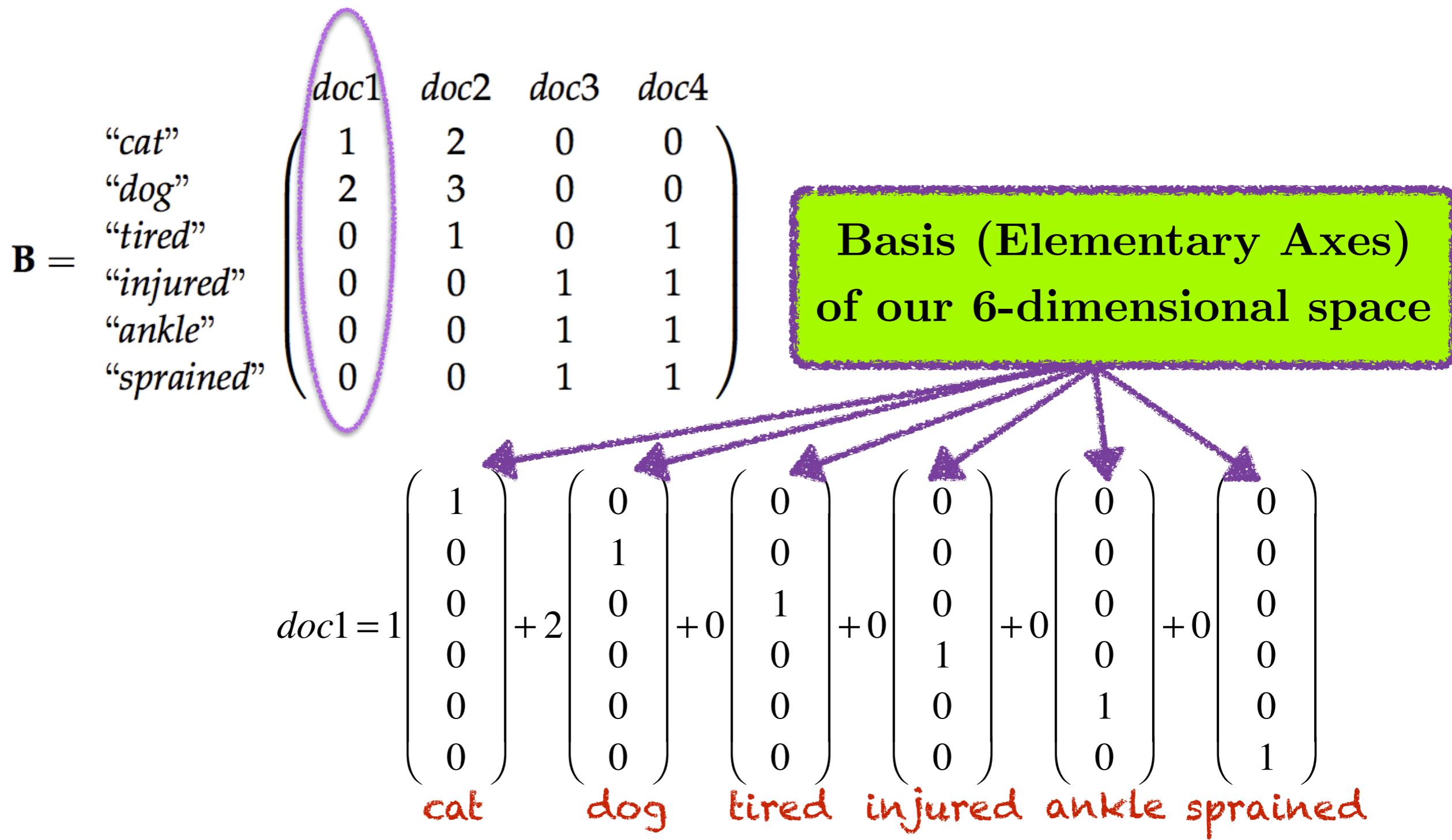
## (Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{matrix} & doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \\ \text{“cat”} & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“dog”} & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“tired”} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \text{“injured”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \text{“ankle”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \text{“sprained”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

In this example, our *observations* are the documents  
and the *words* are the variables

# More Complete Example

(Factors in Text)



# More Complete Example

## (Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} "cat" \\ "dog" \\ "tired" \\ "injured" \\ "ankle" \\ "sprained" \end{matrix} & \left( \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix} \right) \end{matrix}$$

We can approximate this matrix using a matrix factorization

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} Factor1 & Factor2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} "cat" \\ "dog" \\ "tired" \\ "injured" \\ "ankle" \\ "sprained" \end{matrix} & \left( \begin{matrix} 1.0 & 0 \\ 1.6 & 0 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \\ 0 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0.8 \end{matrix} \right) \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \end{matrix} \\ & \left( \begin{matrix} 1.0 & 1.7 & 0 & 0.0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 1.1 \end{matrix} \right) \end{matrix}$$

# More Complete Example

## (Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{matrix} & doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \\ \text{“cat”} & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“dog”} & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“tired”} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \text{“injured”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \text{“ankle”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \text{“sprained”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

We can approximate this matrix using a matrix factorization

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{matrix} & doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \\ \text{“cat”} & 1 & 1.7 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“dog”} & 1.6 & 2.7 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“tired”} & 0.4 & 0.72 & 0.36 & 0.44 \\ \text{“injured”} & 0 & 0 & 0.72 & 0.88 \\ \text{“ankle”} & 0 & 0 & 0.72 & 0.88 \\ \text{“sprained”} & 0 & 0 & 0.72 & 0.88 \end{matrix}$$

# More Complete Example

(Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{matrix} & doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \\ \text{“cat”} & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“dog”} & 2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{“tired”} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \text{“injured”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \text{“ankle”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \text{“sprained”} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

How did I get this?  
We'll talk about it later!

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{matrix} & Factor1 & Factor2 \\ \text{“cat”} & 1.0 & 0 \\ \text{“dog”} & 1.6 & 0 \\ \text{“tired”} & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ \text{“injured”} & 0 & 0.8 \\ \text{“ankle”} & 0 & 0.8 \\ \text{“sprained”} & 0 & 0.8 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} & doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \\ & 1.0 & 1.7 & 0 & 0.0 \\ & 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 1.1 \end{matrix}$$

# More Complete Example

(Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{pmatrix} & \text{Factor1} & \text{Factor2} \\ \text{“cat”} & 1.0 & 0 \\ \text{“dog”} & 1.6 & 0 \\ \text{“tired”} & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ \text{“injured”} & 0 & 0.8 \\ \text{“ankle”} & 0 & 0.8 \\ \text{“sprained”} & 0 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & \text{doc1} & \text{doc2} & \text{doc3} & \text{doc4} \\ & 1.0 & 1.7 & 0 & 0.0 \\ & 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 1.1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Each column of  $\mathbf{B}$  (each document) can be written as a linear combination of factors. These linear combinations are the points' coordinate representations in the new basis.

# More Complete Example

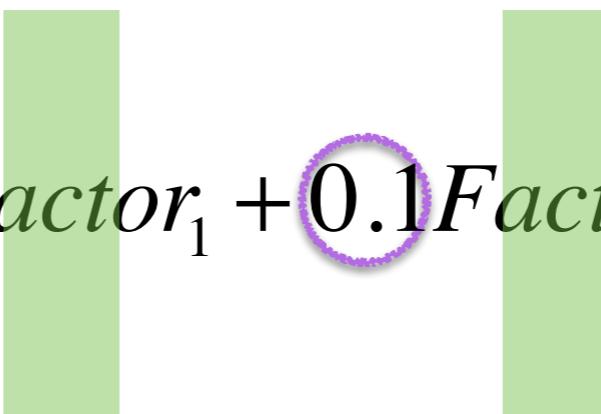
(Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{array}{l} \text{“cat”} \\ \text{“dog”} \\ \text{“tired”} \\ \text{“injured”} \\ \text{“ankle”} \\ \text{“sprained”} \end{array} \left( \begin{array}{cc} \text{Factor1} & \text{Factor2} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0 \\ 1.6 & 0 \\ 0.4 & 0.4 \\ 0 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0.8 \\ 0 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \right) \begin{array}{l} \text{“doc1”} \\ \text{“doc2”} \\ \text{“doc3”} \\ \text{“doc4”} \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 1.7 & 0 & 0.0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 1.1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Each column of  $\mathbf{B}$  (each document) can be written as a linear combination of factors. These linear combinations are the points' coordinate representations in the new basis.

$$\mathbf{B}_{*2} \approx 1.7 \text{Factor}_1 + 0.1 \text{Factor}_2$$

(doc 2)



# More Complete Example

(Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{matrix} & \text{Factor1} & \text{Factor2} \\ \text{“cat”} & 1.0 & 0 \\ \text{“dog”} & 1.6 & 0 \\ \text{“tired”} & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ \text{“injured”} & 0 & 0.8 \\ \text{“ankle”} & 0 & 0.8 \\ \text{“sprained”} & 0 & 0.8 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} & \text{doc1} & \text{doc2} & \text{doc3} & \text{doc4} \\ (1.0 & 1.7 & 0 & 0.0) \\ (0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 1.1) \end{matrix}$$

Each column of B (each document) can be written as a linear combination of factors. These linear combinations are the points' coordinate representations in the new basis.

$$\mathbf{B}_{\star 2} \approx 1.7 \text{Factor}_1 + 0.1 \text{Factor}_2 \quad (\text{doc 2})$$

Conclude: document 2 more aligned with factor 1 than factor 2

# More Complete Example

(Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{array}{c|cc} & Factor1 & Factor2 \\ \hline "cat" & 1.0 & 0 \\ "dog" & 1.6 & 0 \\ "tired" & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ "injured" & 0 & 0.8 \\ "ankle" & 0 & 0.8 \\ "sprained" & 0 & 0.8 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cccc} & doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \\ \hline 1.0 & 1.0 & 1.7 & 0 & 0.0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 1.1 \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{*2} \approx 1.7 Factor_1 + 0.1 Factor_2$$

(doc 2)

How do we interpret factor 1?

# More Complete Example

(Factors in Text)

$$\mathbf{B} \approx \begin{pmatrix} "cat" & Factor1 & Factor2 \\ "dog" & 1.0 & 0 \\ "tired" & 1.6 & 0 \\ "injured" & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ "ankle" & 0 & 0.8 \\ "sprained" & 0 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} doc1 & doc2 & doc3 & doc4 \\ 1.0 & 1.7 & 0 & 0.0 \\ 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 1.1 \end{pmatrix}$$

How do we interpret factor 1?

*Factor<sub>1</sub>* = 1

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 1.6 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0.4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 0 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

'pets'

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**Scores/Coordinates.**

Allow us to describe data observations according to the new factors.

**Loadings.**

Allow us to interpret factors.

- ▶ Factor 1: pets
- ▶ Factor 2: injuries

- ▶ Document 1: about pets
- ▶ Document 2: about pets
- ▶ Document 3: about injuries
- ▶ Document 4: about injuries

# Why a New Basis?

- ▶ We want to use a **subset of the new basis vectors** (i.e. new features/variables/axes) to **reduce the dimensionality** of the data and keep patterns
- ▶ We *hope* that the new features (being combinations of the old ones) will have some **interpretation**

# Interpretation of Features

- ▶ The **interpretation** of the new basis vectors (new features/variables) **is subjective**.
- ▶ We simply look at the loadings to **find the variables with the highest loading values** (in absolute value) and *try to interpret their collective meaning*.

# Interpretation of Features

- ▶ Original basis vectors (features/variables) were:  
*height, weight,*  
*head\_circumference,*  
*verbal\_score, quant\_score,*  
*household\_income,*  
*house\_value.*
- ▶ Let's see if we can assign some meaning to our new basis vectors (features/variables)

	Axis 1
<i>height</i>	0.7
<i>weight</i>	0.8
<i>head_circumference</i>	0.5
<i>verbal_score</i>	0
<i>quant_score</i>	0
<i>household_income</i>	0
<i>house_value</i>	0

Size?

# Interpretation of Features

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	Axis 2
<i>height</i>	0
<i>weight</i>	0
<i>head_circumference</i>	0
<i>verbal_score</i>	0.7
<i>quant_score</i>	0.8
<i>household_income</i>	0.2
<i>house_value</i>	0.1

ability?

# Interpretation of Features

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*verbal\_score, quant\_score,*  
*household\_income,*  
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	Axis 3
<i>height</i>	0
<i>weight</i>	0
<i>head_circumference</i>	0
<i>verbal_score</i>	0.1
<i>quant_score</i>	0.3
<i>household_income</i>	0.9
<i>house_value</i>	0.7

affluence?

# Major Ideas from Section

- ▶ linear combinations geometrically
- ▶ linear (in)dependence geometrically
- ▶ vector span
- ▶ subspace
- ▶ dimension of subspace
- ▶ hyperplane
- ▶ basis vectors
- ▶ coordinates in different bases
- ▶ (generic) factor analysis
- ▶ loadings
- ▶ scores/coordinates