

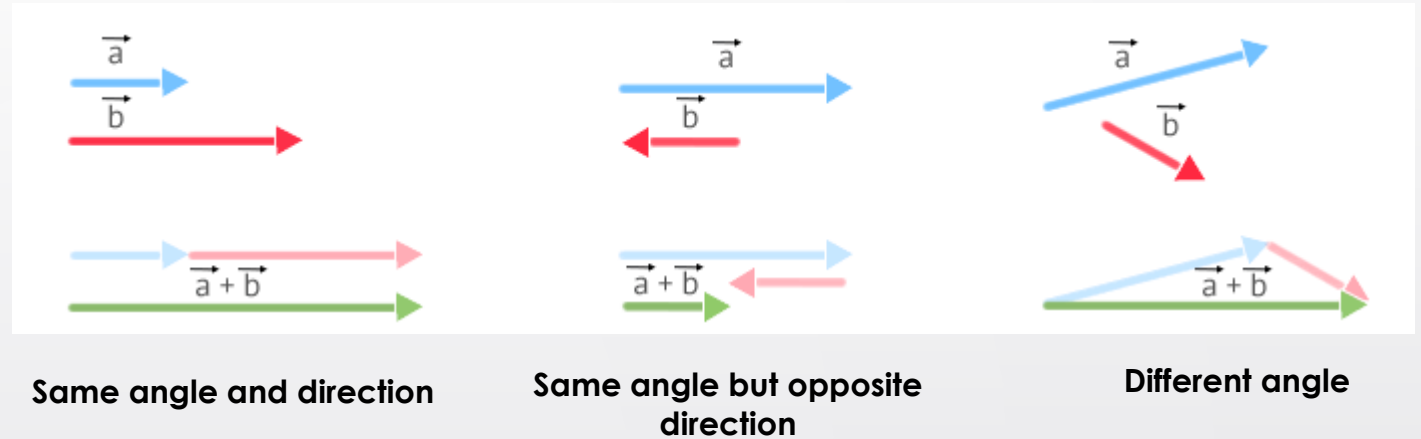


# 0. VECTOR CALCULUS REVIEW

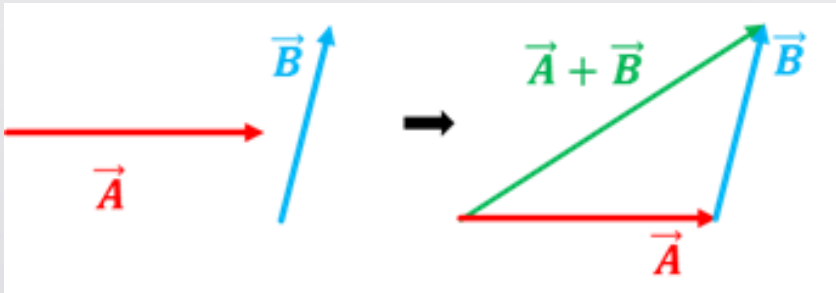
# GENERAL PROPERTIES OF VECTORS

- Vector addition

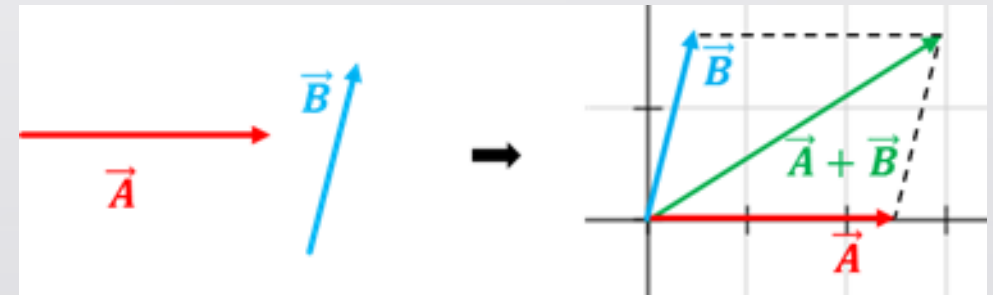
- 1D: algebraic addition
- 2D or 3D: geometric addition



One vector after another:

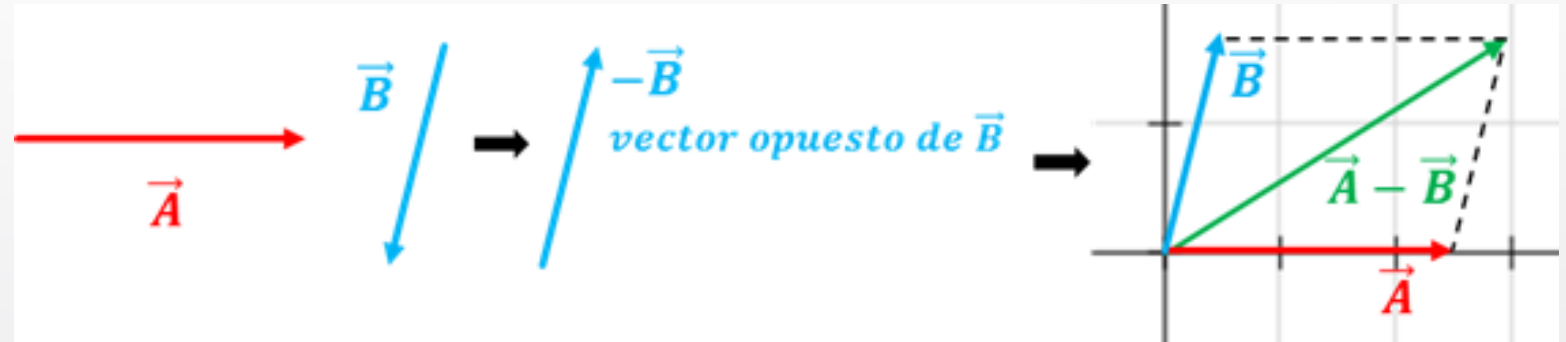


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**Parallelogram law:**

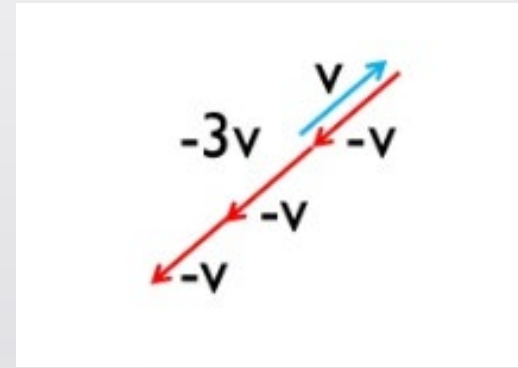
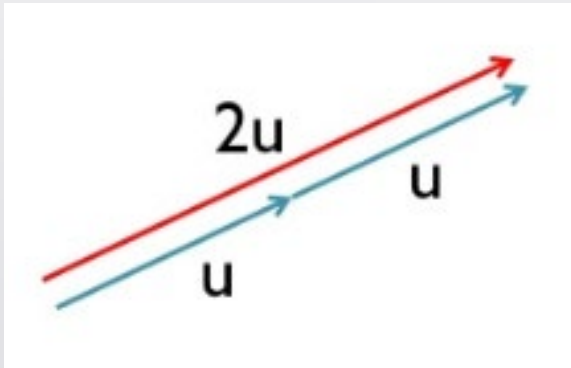


# GENERAL PROPERTIES OF VECTORS

- Vector subtraction



- Scalar multiplication: multiplication of a scalar and a vector

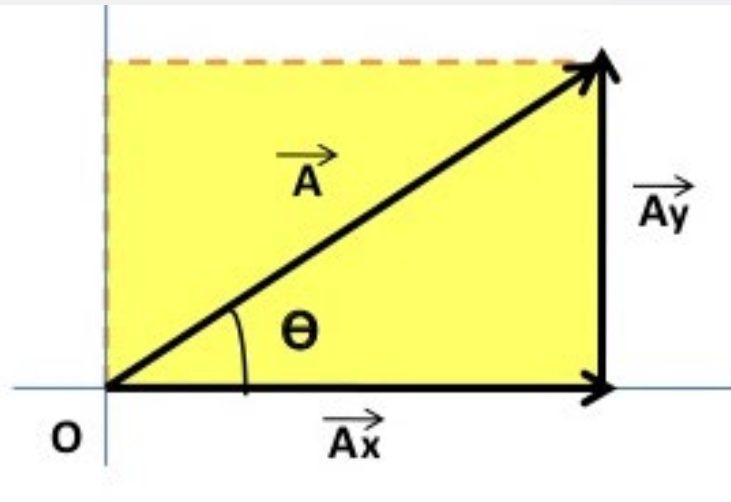
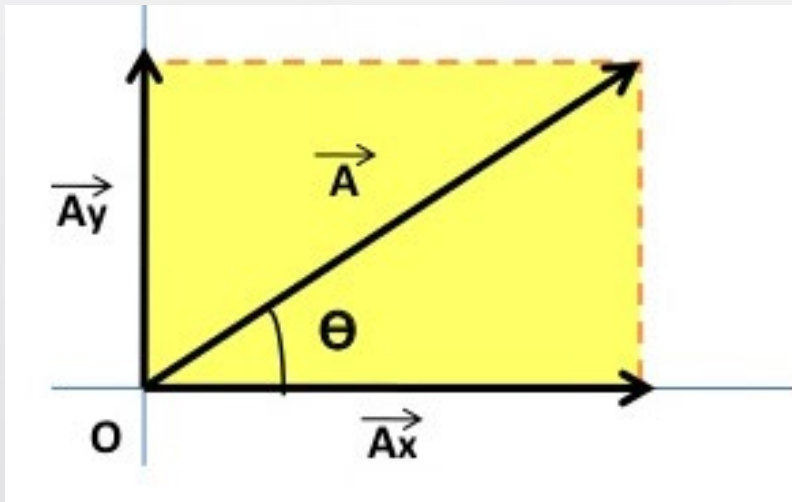


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- Components of a vector

A component of a vector is the projection of this vector in any of the axes.

If we are considering the cartesian axes, these components will be called rectangular or cartesian components.



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

$$A_x = A \cdot \cos\theta$$

$$A_y = A \cdot \sin\theta$$

$$\operatorname{tg}\theta = \frac{A_y}{A_x}$$

$$A = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}$$

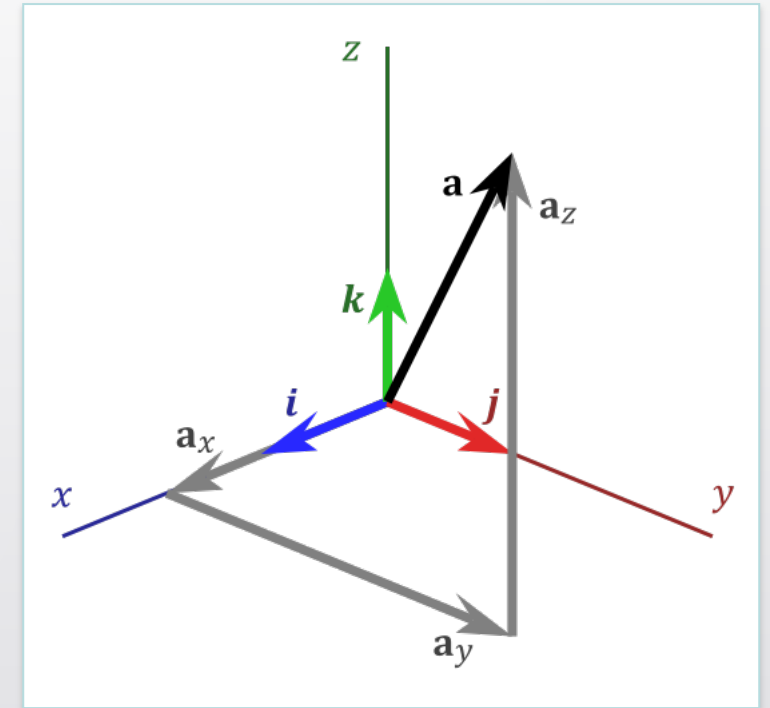
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## Orthonormal basis in 3D space:

An orthonormal basis (in 3D) is that in which we consider 3 unit vectors (modulus = 1), perpendicular to each other.

The basis formed by the vectors  $\{\vec{i}, \vec{j}, \vec{k}\}$ , in the X, Y and Z axis (respectively), is called **canonic basis**.

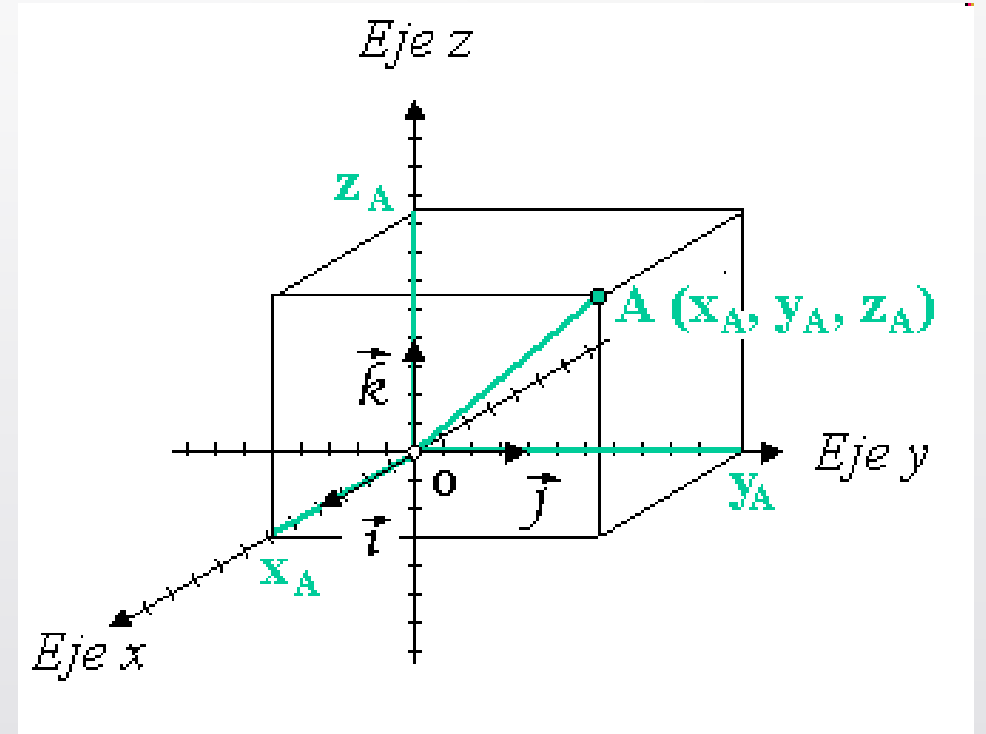


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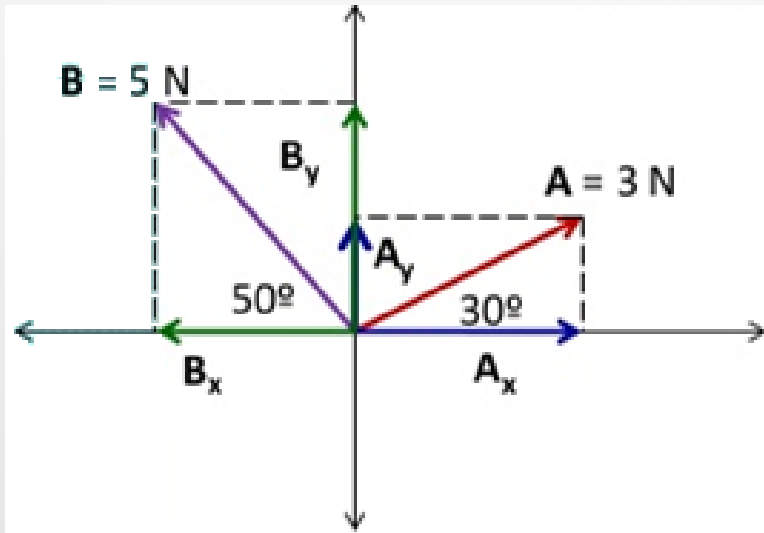
$(x_A, y_A, z_A)$ : cartesian components of a vector





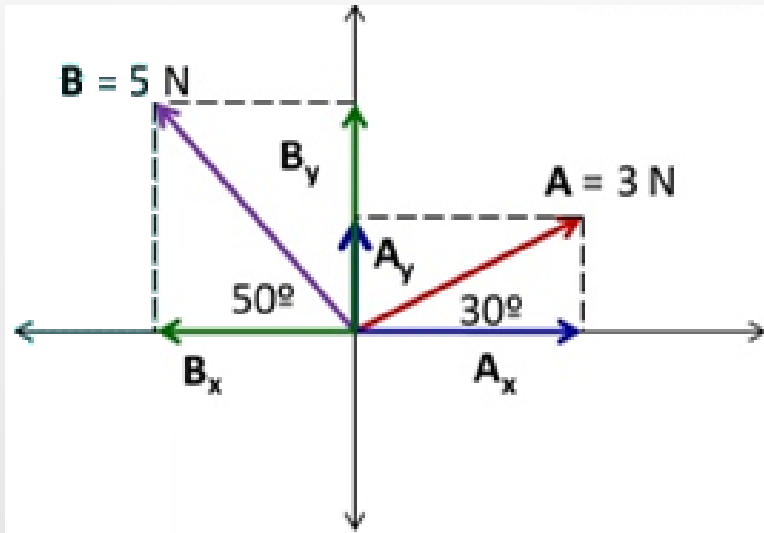
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$$A_x = A \cos 30^\circ = 3 \cos 30^\circ = 2.58 \text{ N}$$

$$A_y = A \sin 30^\circ = 1.5 \text{ N}$$

$$B_x = -B \cos 50^\circ = -5 \text{ N} \cos 50^\circ = -3.21 \text{ N}$$

$$B_y = B \sin 50^\circ = 3.83 \text{ N}$$

$$R_x = A_x + B_x$$

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$$R_x = -0.63 \text{ N}$$

$$R_y = A_y + B_y$$

$$R_y = (1.5 \text{ N}) + (3.83 \text{ N})$$

$$R_y = 5.33 \text{ N}$$

$$R^2 = (R_x)^2 + (R_y)^2$$

$$R^2 = (-0.63 \text{ N})^2 + (5.33 \text{ N})^2$$

$$R^2 = 0.39 + 28.4$$

$$R^2 = 28.79$$

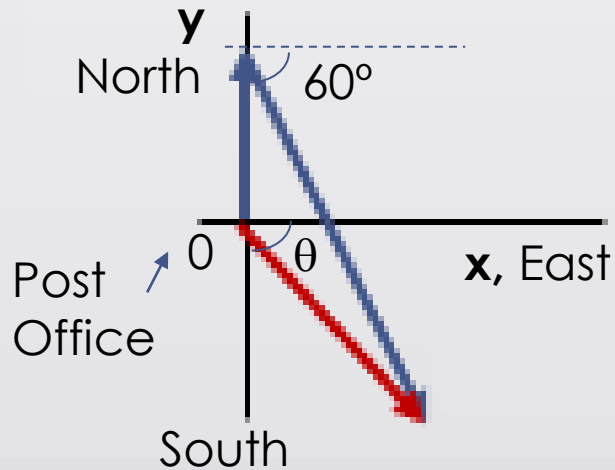
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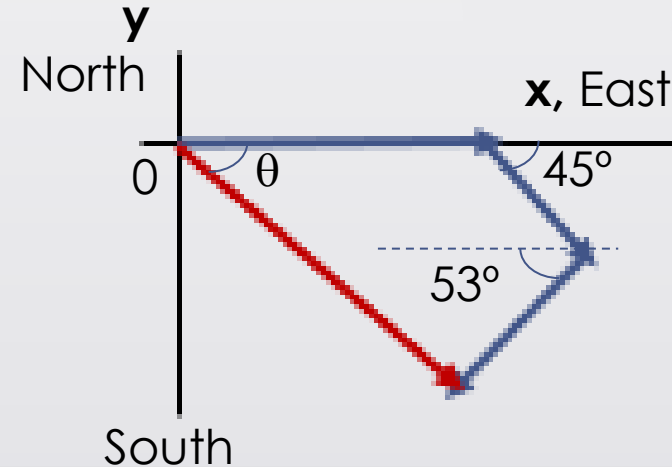
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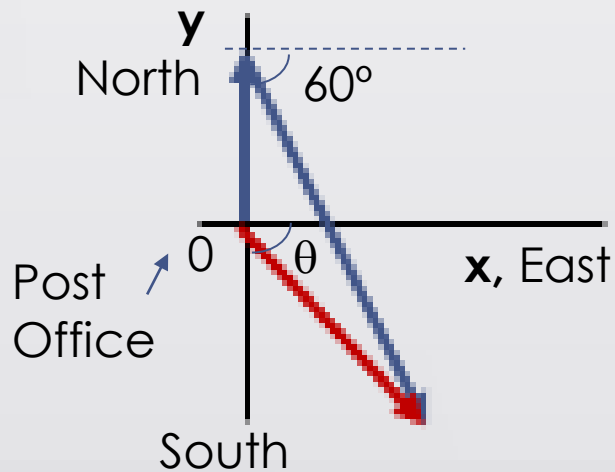
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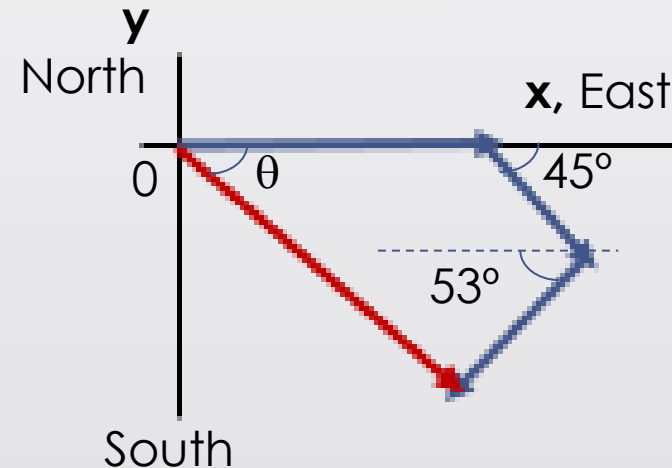
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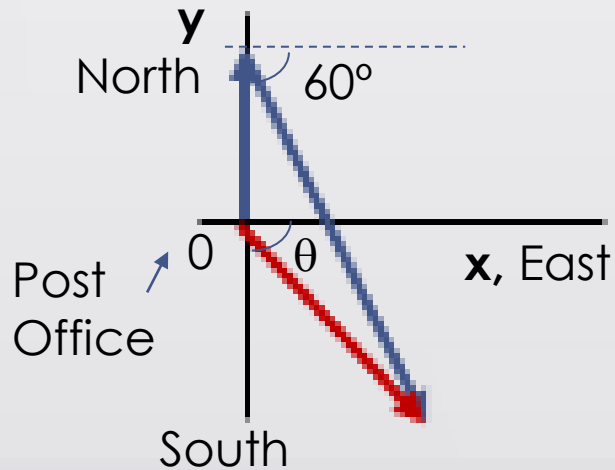
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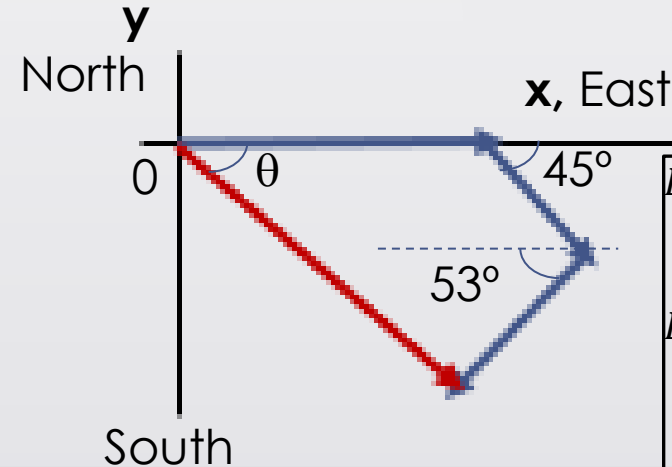
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# GENERAL PROPERTIES OF VECTORS

- Dot product of two vectors: it yields a scalar.

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = x_A x_B + y_A y_B + z_A z_B$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{a} &= x_A \vec{i} + y_A \vec{j} + z_A \vec{k} \\ \vec{b} &= x_B \vec{i} + y_B \vec{j} + z_B \vec{k}\end{aligned}$$

Commutative property:

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{b} \cdot \vec{a}$$

Associative property:

$$\alpha(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}) = (\alpha\vec{a}) \cdot \vec{b} = \vec{a} \cdot (\alpha\vec{b})$$

Distributive property:

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} + \vec{c}) = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}$$

Dot product of the vectors of the canonical basis:

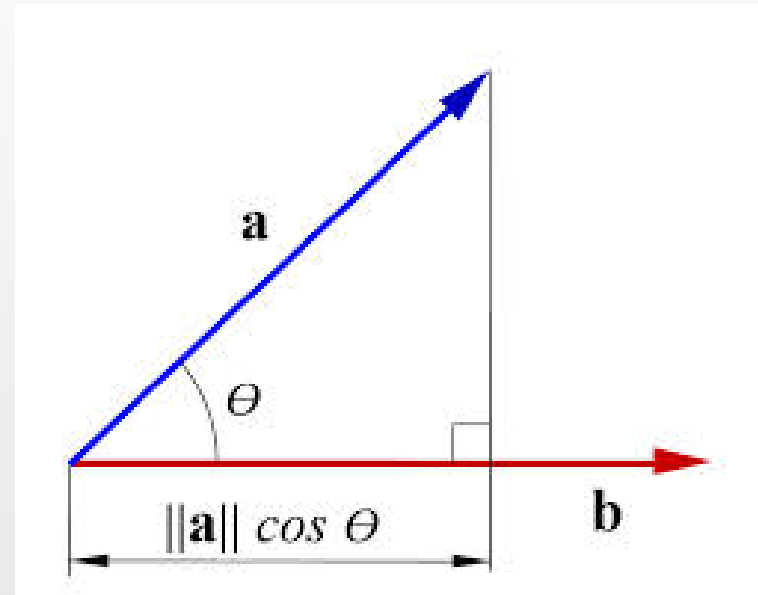
$$\vec{i} \cdot \vec{i} = \vec{j} \cdot \vec{j} = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k} = 1$$

$$\vec{i} \cdot \vec{j} = \vec{j} \cdot \vec{k} = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{i} = 0$$

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$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$  is the product of the modulus of  $\vec{a}$  by the modulus of  $\vec{b}$ , multiplied by the cosine of the angle between  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ :

$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = ab \cos \theta$$



If the dot product of two vectors is 0, and the modulus of any of the two vectors is different from 0, then the two vectors are perpendicular:

$$\text{If } \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0 \text{ and } |\vec{a}| \neq 0 \text{ and } |\vec{b}| \neq 0 \Rightarrow \vec{a} \perp \vec{b}$$

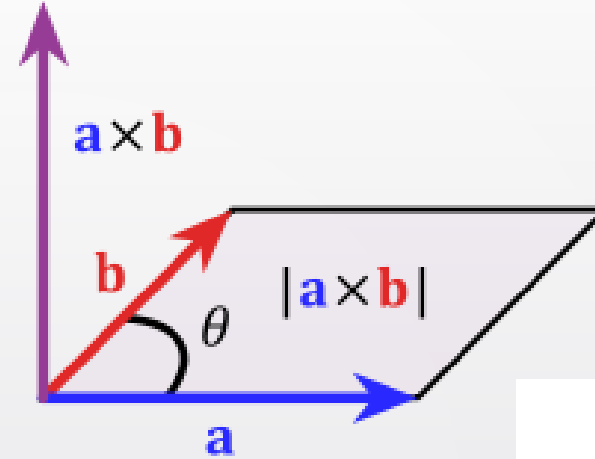


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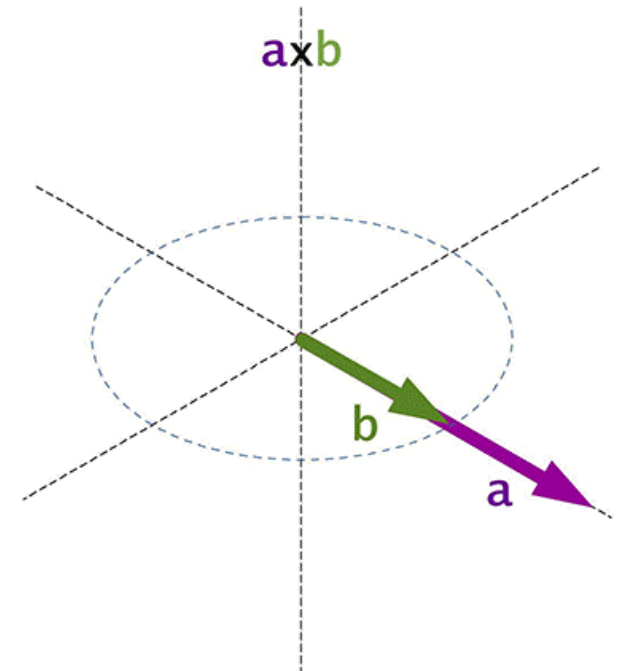
$$\vec{b} = x_B \vec{i} + y_B \vec{j} + z_B \vec{k}$$



Cross product of the vectors of the canonical basis:

$$\vec{i} \times \vec{i} = \vec{j} \times \vec{j} = \vec{k} \times \vec{k} = \vec{0}; \quad \vec{i} \times \vec{j} = \vec{k}; \quad \vec{j} \times \vec{k} = \vec{i}; \quad \vec{k} \times \vec{i} = \vec{j}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} \times \vec{b} &= (x_A \vec{i} + y_A \vec{j} + z_A \vec{k}) \times (x_B \vec{i} + y_B \vec{j} + z_B \vec{k}) = \\ &= \vec{i}(y_A z_B - z_A y_B) + \vec{j}(z_A x_B - x_A z_B) + \vec{k}(x_A y_B - y_A x_B) \end{aligned}$$





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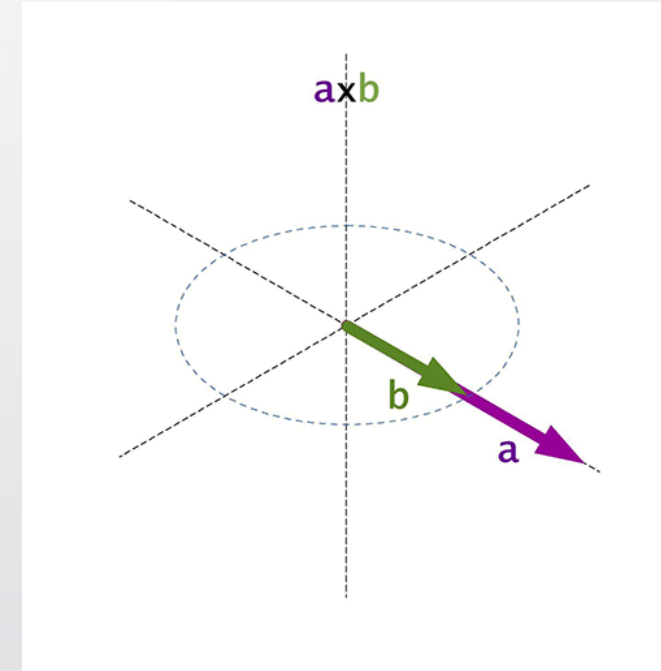
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$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (x_A \vec{i} + y_A \vec{j} + z_A \vec{k}) \times (x_B \vec{i} + y_B \vec{j} + z_B \vec{k}) =$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ x_A & y_A & z_A \\ x_B & y_B & z_B \end{vmatrix} =$$

$$= \vec{i}(y_A z_B - z_A y_B) + \vec{j}(z_A x_B - x_A z_B) + \vec{k}(x_A y_B - y_A x_B)$$



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**Exercise:**

**Given these vectors:  $\vec{u} = (1,2,3)$ ,  $\vec{v} = (2,0,1)$  and  $\vec{w} = (-1,3,0)$ , determine:**

- a)  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ ,  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}$ ,  $\vec{w} \cdot \vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$
- b)  $\vec{u} \times \vec{v}$ ,  $\vec{v} \times \vec{w}$ ,  $\vec{u} \times \vec{w}$  and  $\vec{v} \times \vec{u}$
- c)  $(\vec{u} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w}$  and  $(\vec{v} \times \vec{w}) \cdot \vec{u}$
- d)  $|\vec{u}|$ ,  $|\vec{v}|$  and  $|\vec{w}|$