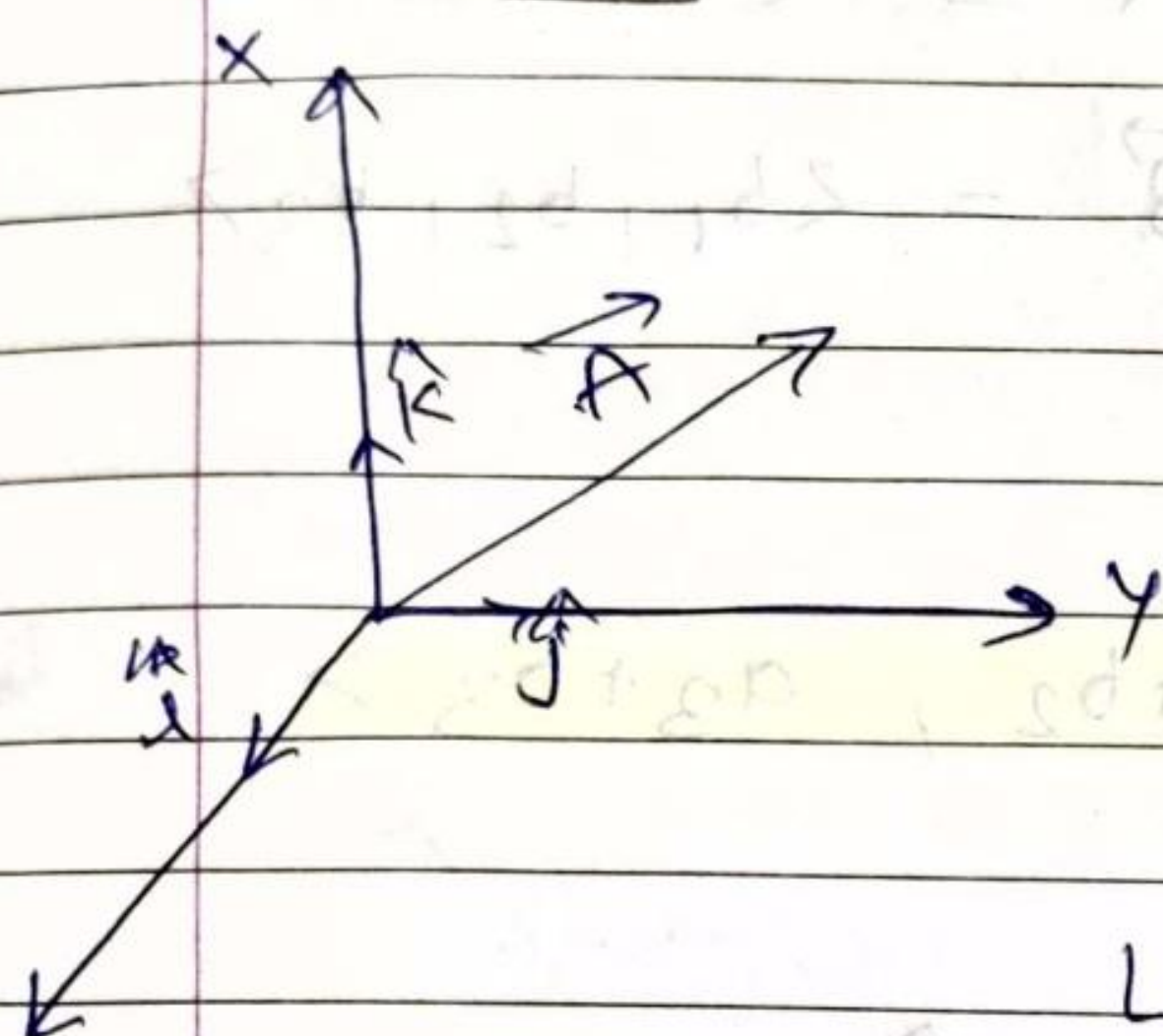


Dot Product

Vectors



— direction

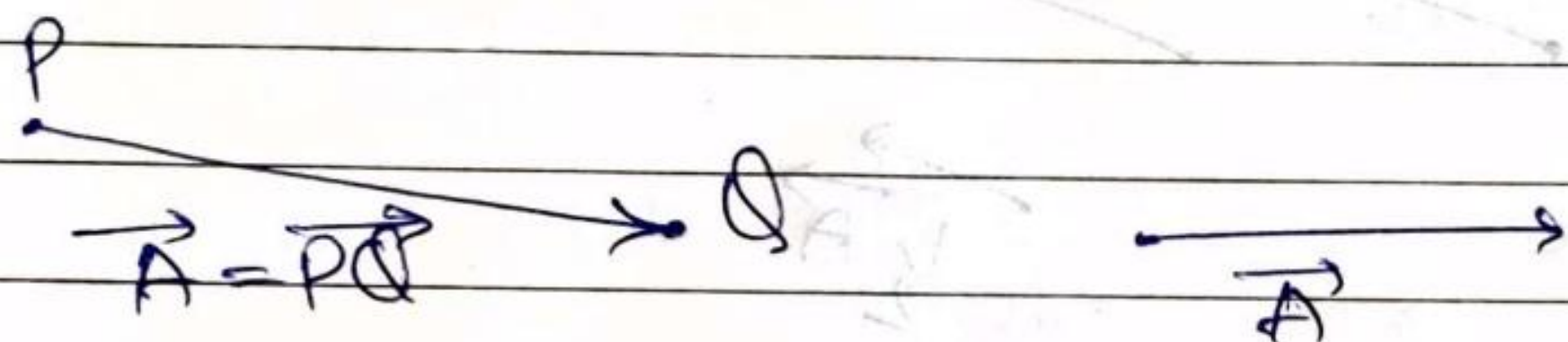
— magnitude (length)

$$\vec{A} = a_1 \hat{i} + a_2 \hat{j} + a_3 \hat{k}$$

$$= \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$$

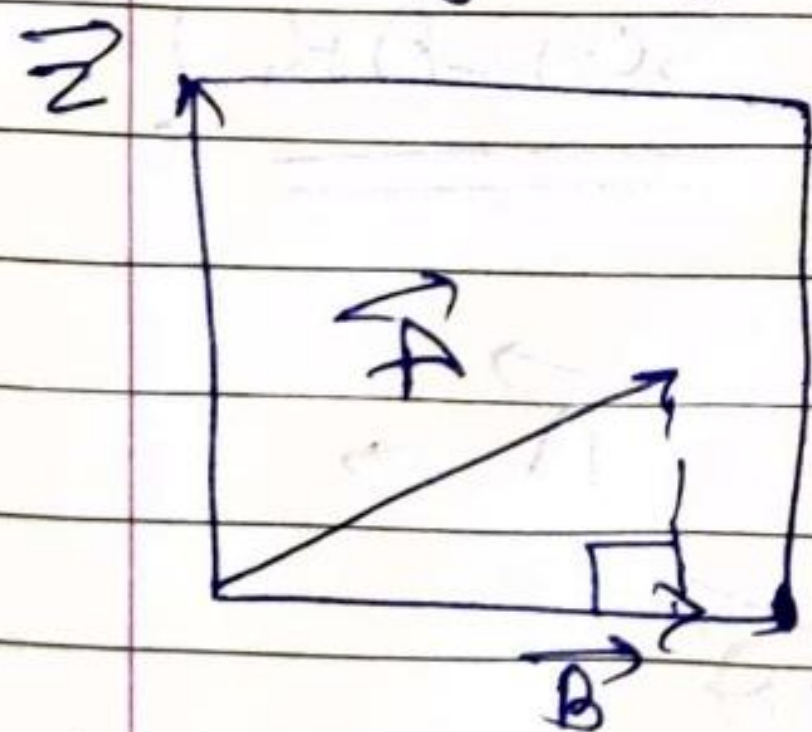
Length: $|\vec{A}|$ (a scalar),direction :- $\text{dir}(\vec{A})$

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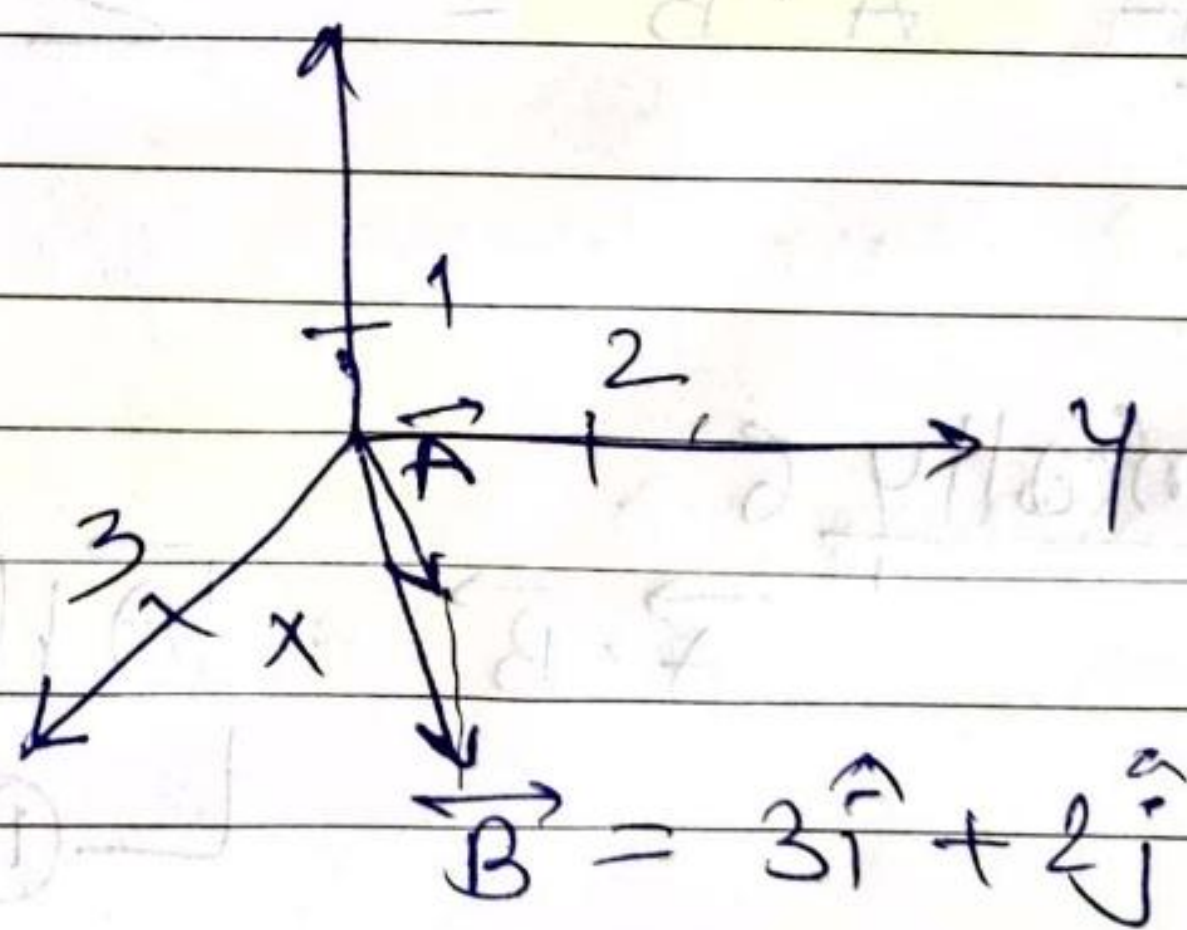


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$$\vec{A} = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + \hat{k} = \langle 3, 2, 1 \rangle$$

Length of \vec{A} 

in plane

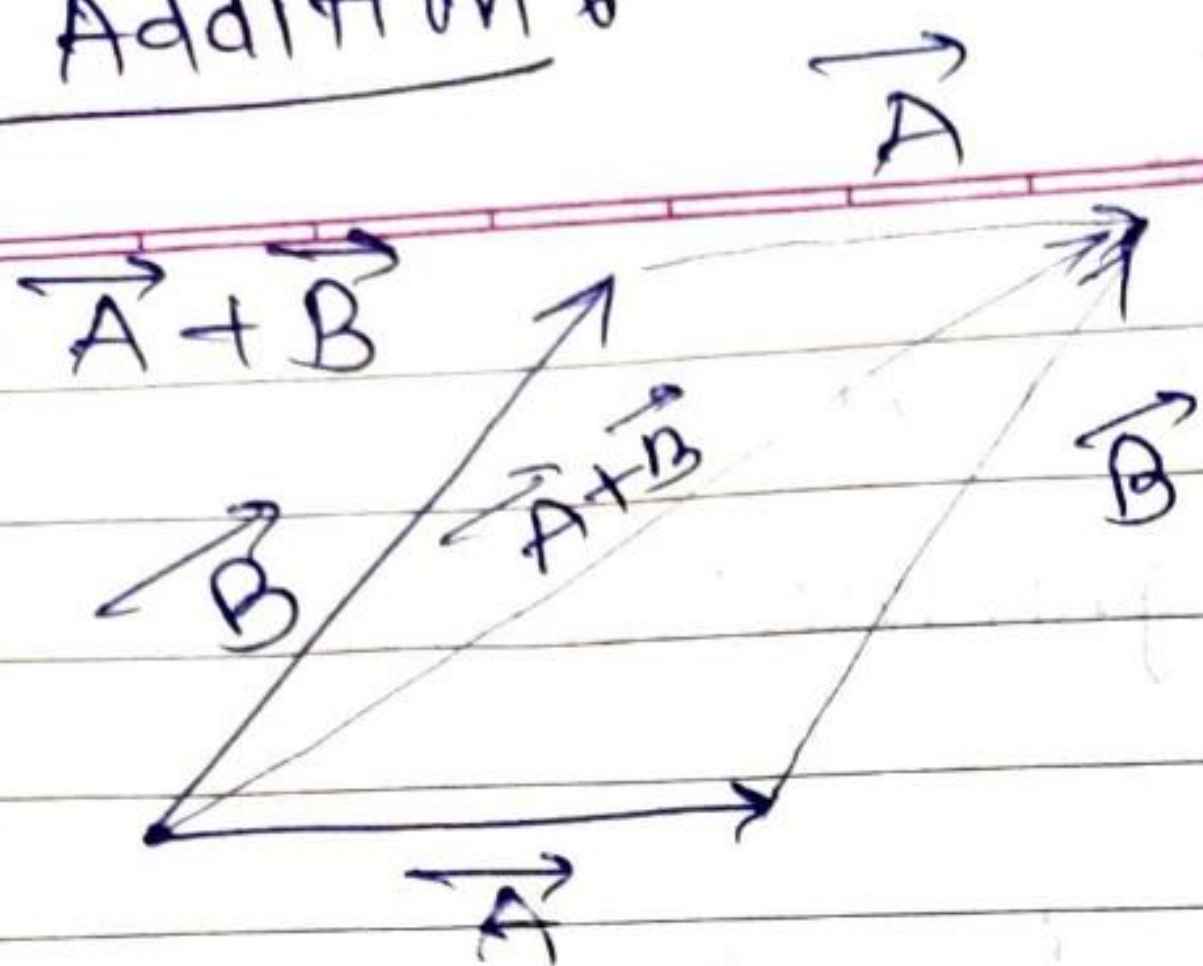


$$|\vec{B}| = \sqrt{3^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{|\vec{B}|^2 + 1} = \sqrt{13 + 1} = \sqrt{14}$$

In general, $\vec{A} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$; $|\vec{A}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}$

Addition

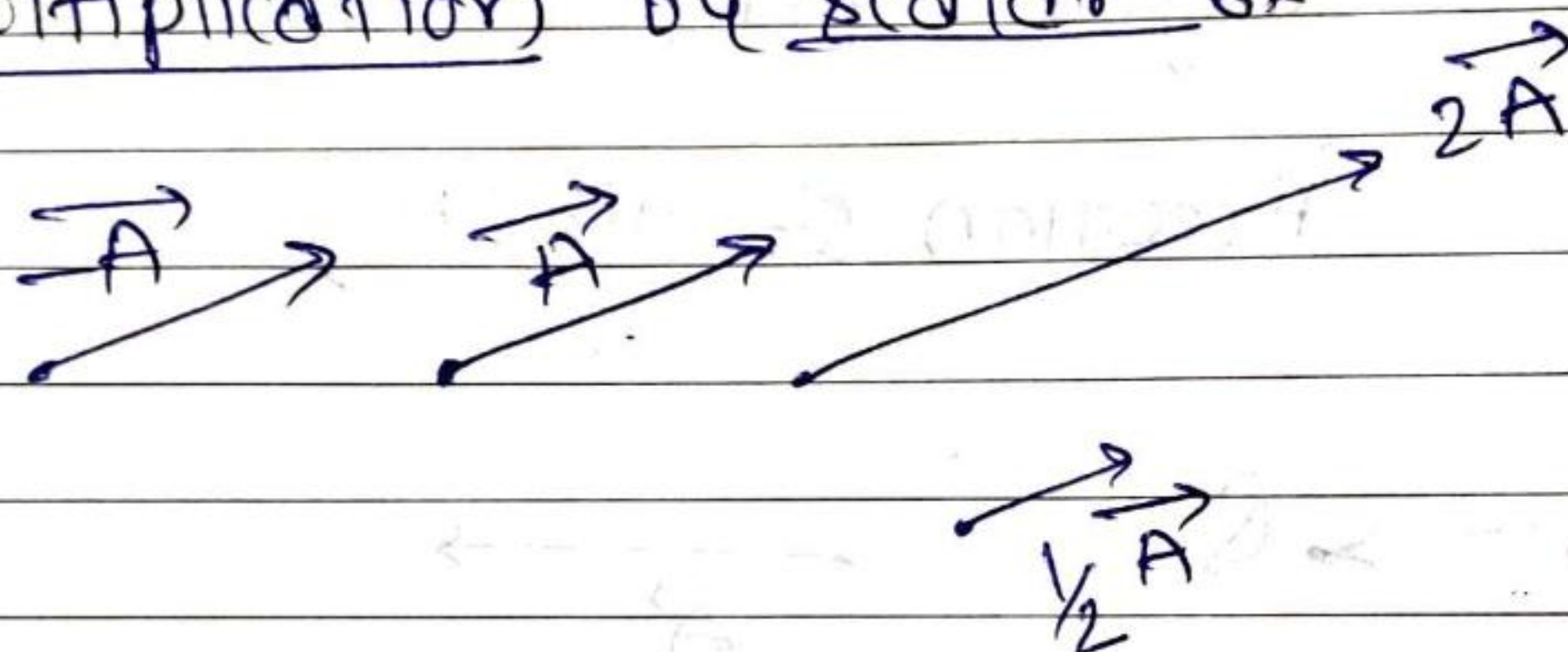


$$\vec{A} = \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{B} = \langle b_1, b_2, b_3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{A} + \vec{B} = \langle a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, a_3 + b_3 \rangle$$

Multiplication by scalar

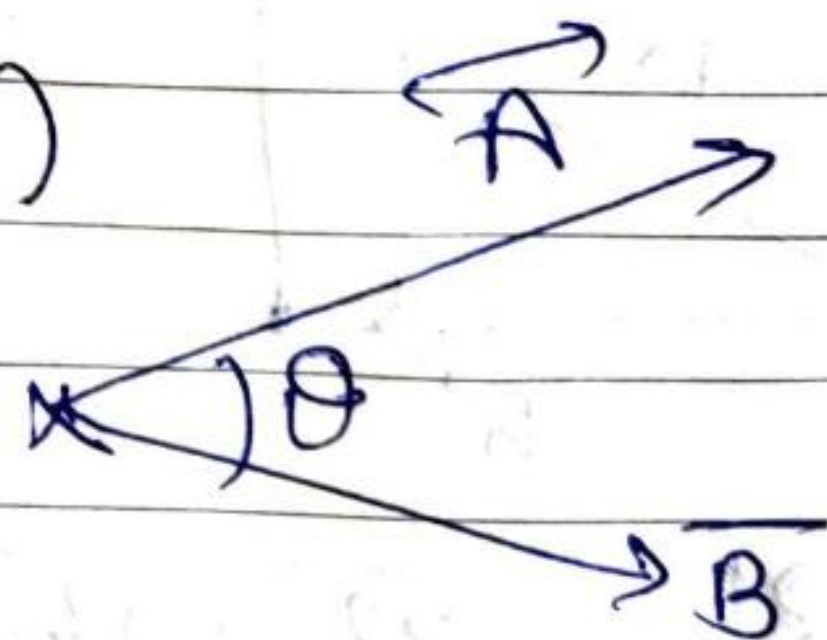


DOT PRODUCT

Defn - $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = \sum a_i b_i = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$
is a SCALAR!

Geometrically

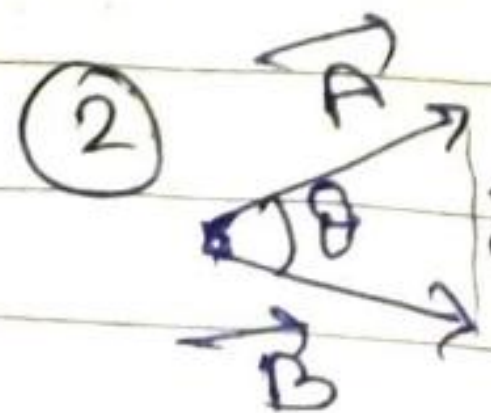
$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = |\vec{A}| |\vec{B}| \cos(\theta)$$



prove (II) to (I)

What does geom. def. mean?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(1)} \quad \vec{A} \cdot \vec{A} &= |\vec{A}|^2 \cos(0) = |\vec{A}|^2 \\ &= a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 \end{aligned}$$



Law of cosines

$$\vec{C} = \vec{A} - \vec{B}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{C}|^2 &= |\vec{A}|^2 + |\vec{B}|^2 - 2|\vec{A}||\vec{B}|\cos\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{C}|^2 = \vec{C} \cdot \vec{C} = (\vec{A} - \vec{B}) \cdot (\vec{A} - \vec{B})$$

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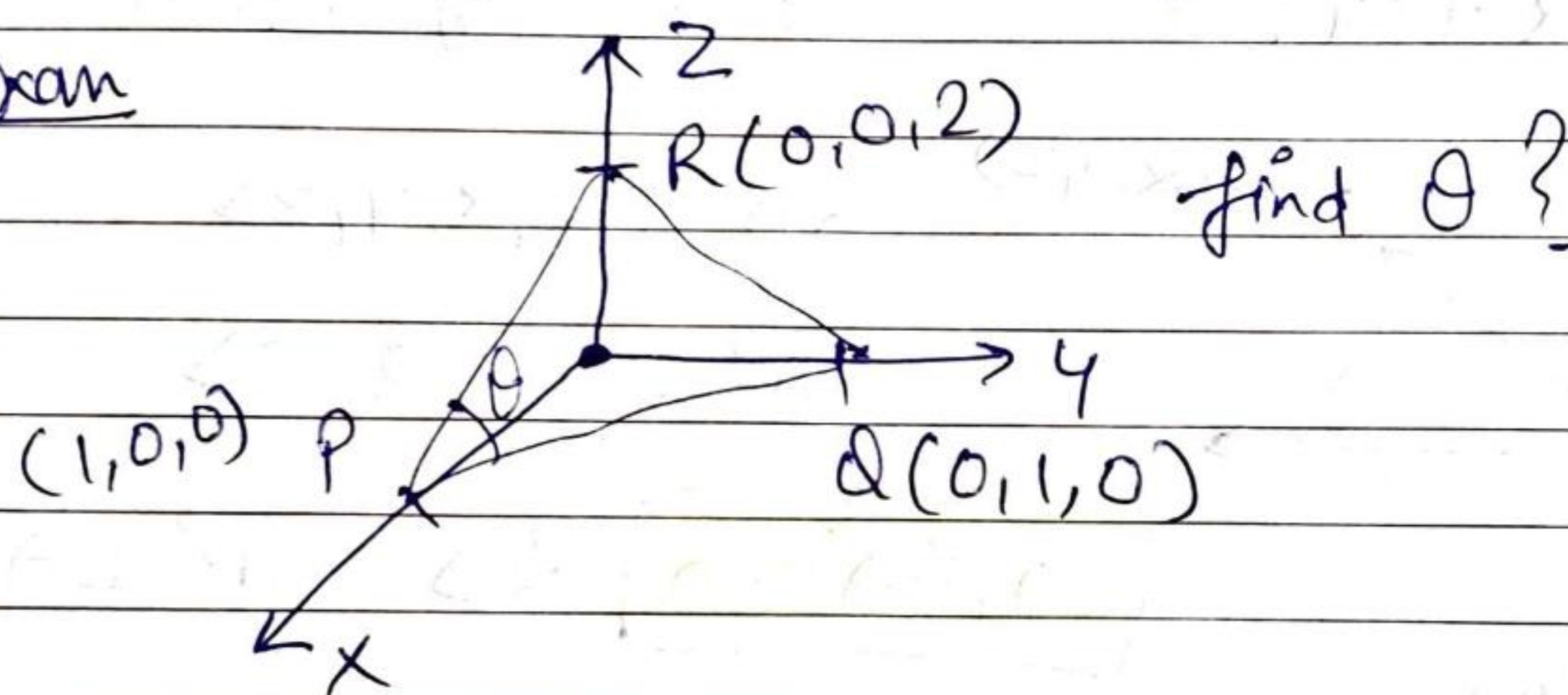
$$= \vec{A} \cdot \vec{A} - \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} - \vec{B} \cdot \vec{A} + \vec{B} \cdot \vec{B}$$

$$= |\vec{A}|^2 + |\vec{B}|^2 - 2\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} \quad \checkmark \checkmark$$

⑧ Application of dot product:

1) computing lengths & angles.

② exam



Sol:

$$\vec{PQ} \cdot \vec{PR} = |\vec{PQ}| \cdot |\vec{PR}| \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{PQ} \cdot \vec{PR}}{|\vec{PQ}| |\vec{PR}|}$$

To go from P to Q, I need to move $\langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle$
from P to R = $\langle -1, 0, 2 \rangle$

$$= \frac{\langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle \cdot \langle -1, 0, 2 \rangle}{\sqrt{(-1)^2 + 1^2 + 0^2} \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 0^2 + 2^2}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(-1) \cdot (-1) + (1)(0) + (0)(2)}{\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{5}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}\right) \approx 71.5^\circ$$

⊕ Sign of $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}$:

> 0 if $\theta < 90^\circ$

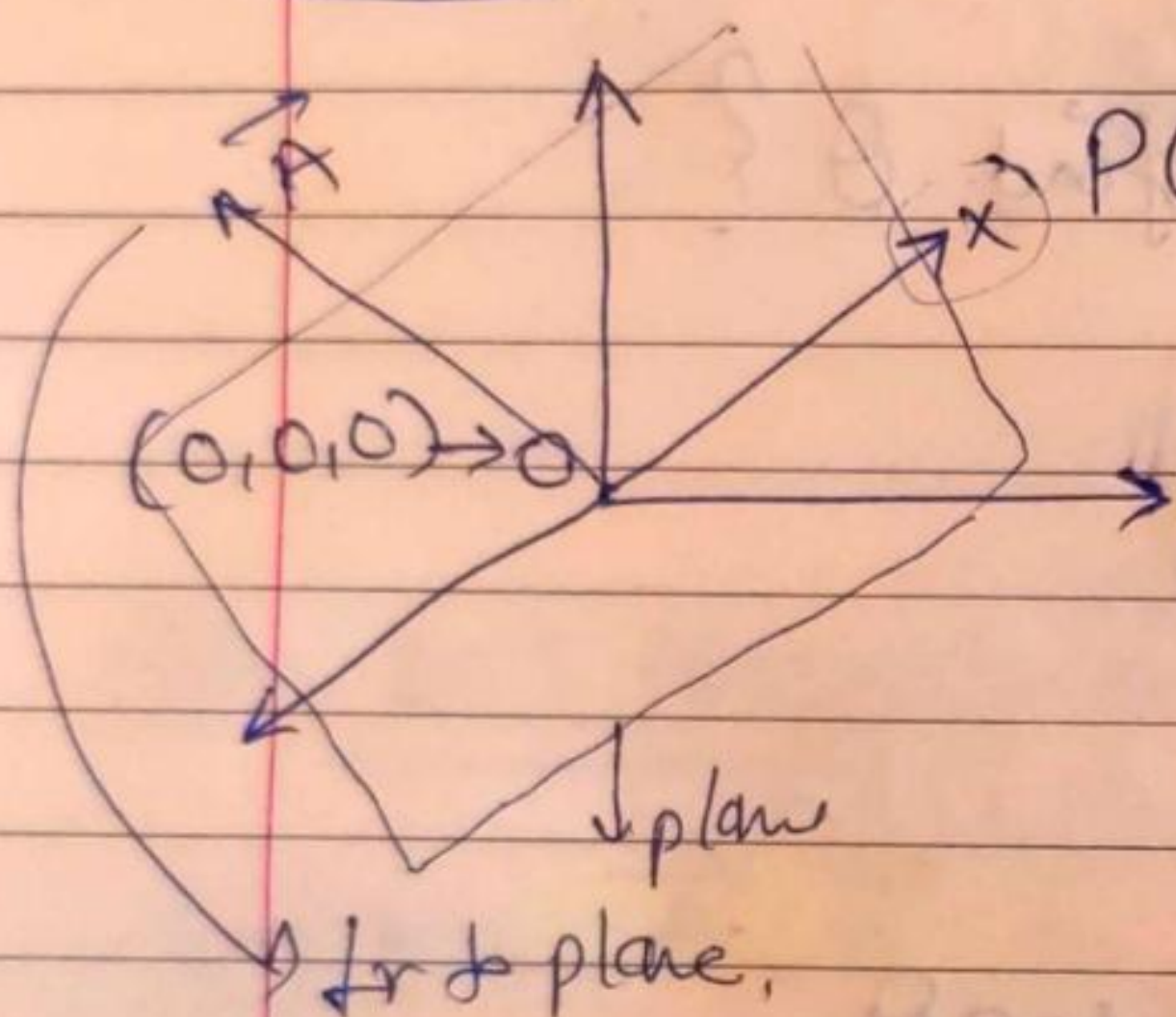
$= 0$ if $\theta = 90^\circ$

< 0 if $\theta > 90^\circ$

Applications

② Detect Orthogonality :-

ex. $x + 2y + 3z = 0$ is eqⁿ of a plane.



$$\vec{OP} = \langle x, y, z \rangle$$

$$\vec{A} = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle$$

$$\vec{OP} \cdot \vec{A} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{OP} \perp \vec{A}$$

Get the plane through O, \perp to \vec{A}

$$\text{Remember } \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \cos \theta = 0$$

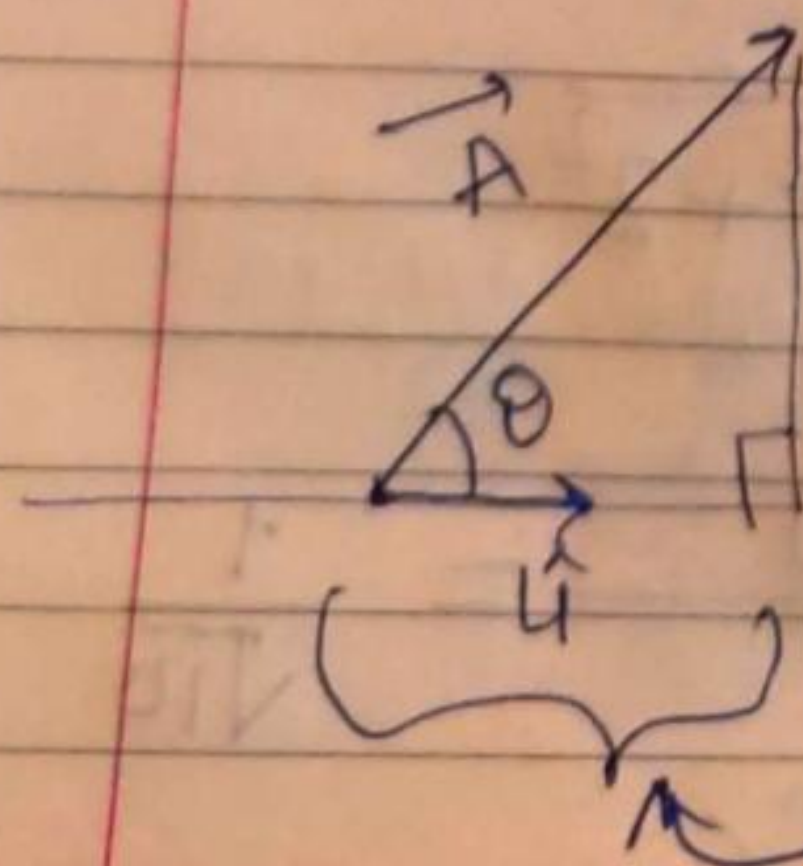
$$\Leftrightarrow \theta = 90^\circ$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \vec{A} \perp \vec{B}$$

③ Components of \vec{A} along direction \hat{u} (unit vector)

What is the component along \hat{u} ?

i.e. means what is the length of the projection of \vec{A} to the given direction



component of \vec{A} along \hat{u}

$$= |\vec{A}| \cos \theta$$

$$= \vec{A} \cdot \hat{u}$$

$$= |\vec{A}| |\hat{u}| \cos \theta$$