

Lecture 2

Some Mathematical and Geometrical Foundations

FUNDAMENTALS OF COMPUTER GRAPHICS

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Overview

■ Mathematical and geometric foundations

- Let's explore some familiar and maybe new concepts together

■ TOPICS:

- Vectors and matrices

- 2D and 3D geometry

- Projections
- Barycentric coordinates (line, triangle)

- Transformations

- Linear vs affine
- Rotations (2D & 3D) ... including derivation of rotation matrix (!)
- Hierarchical modeling

- Ordinary Differential Equations (ODEs)

- Reduction to first order form. Autonomous vs nonautonomous. Linearization. Model equation. Stability.
- Time-stepping schemes (forward Euler, backward Euler). Stiffness and stability.

Vector and matrix operations

- Notation

- Vector operations

- Euclidean length of vector (two norm):

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| \equiv \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \sqrt{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}}$$

- Dot product:

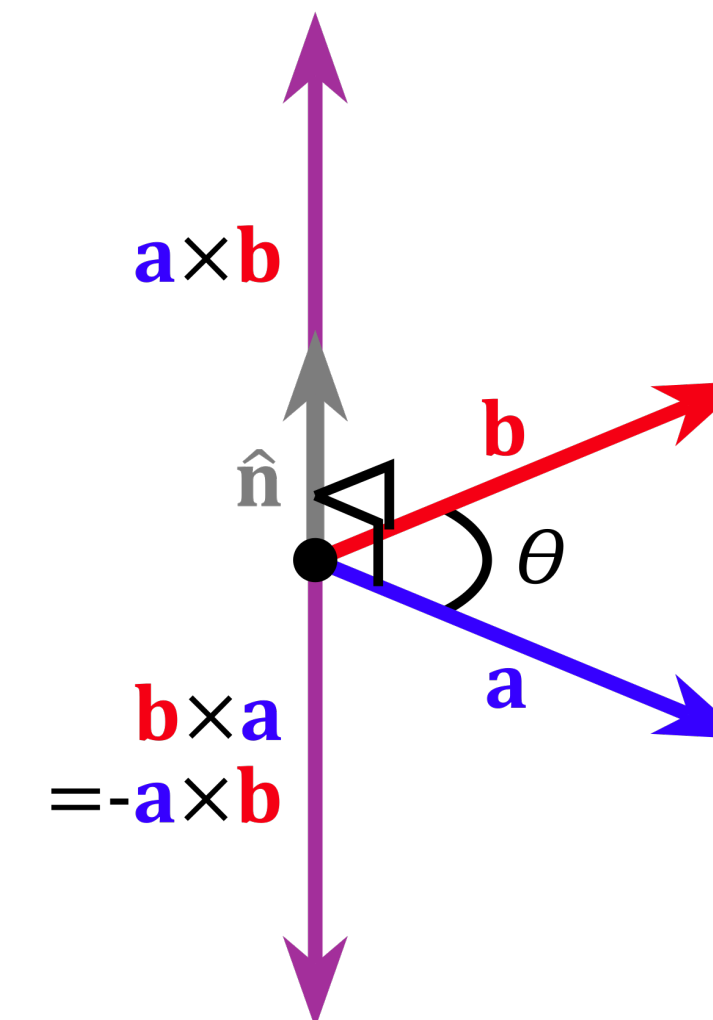
$$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = \|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\| \cos \theta$$

Note: Defines angle between vectors

- Cross product (3D)

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \|\mathbf{a}\| \|\mathbf{b}\| \sin \theta \hat{\mathbf{n}} = \begin{pmatrix} +a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 \\ -a_1 b_3 + a_3 b_1 \\ +a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: Defines area of parallelogram



Vector perpendicular to \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b}

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & \dots & A_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{n1} & \dots & A_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector and matrix operations

■ Vector operations

- Normalization

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{\mathbf{n}}{\|\mathbf{n}\|}$$

Example: Angle between two vectors is given by $\arccos(\hat{\mathbf{a}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{b}}) \in [0, \pi]$

- Triple scalar product (3D)

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = \det([\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}])$$

- Defines volume of parallelepiped formed by $[\mathbf{a} \ \mathbf{b} \ \mathbf{c}]$

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Vectors and matrices in OpenProcessing

- **p5.Vector class for 2D and 3D vectors**

- <https://p5js.org/reference/#/p5.Vector>
- `createVector()`
- <https://p5js.org/reference/#/p5/createVector>

- **Other vector and matrix representations:**

- **Array: Regular JavaScript arrays:**

```
let v = [1, 2];
```

```
let A = [[11, 12], [21, 22]];
```

- **math.js library (<https://mathjs.org>)**

```
const v = math.matrix([1, 4, 9, 16, 25])
```

```
print(v) // [1, 4, 9, 16, 25]
```

```
const A = math.matrix(math.ones([2, 3]))
```

```
print(A) // [[1, 1, 1], [1, 1, 1]]
```

```
print(A.size()) // [2, 3]
```

Making an orthogonal basis (2D)

- Application: Normal & tangent space directions for contact

- Given an initial unit vector, $\hat{\mathbf{n}} = \begin{pmatrix} n_x \\ n_y \end{pmatrix}$

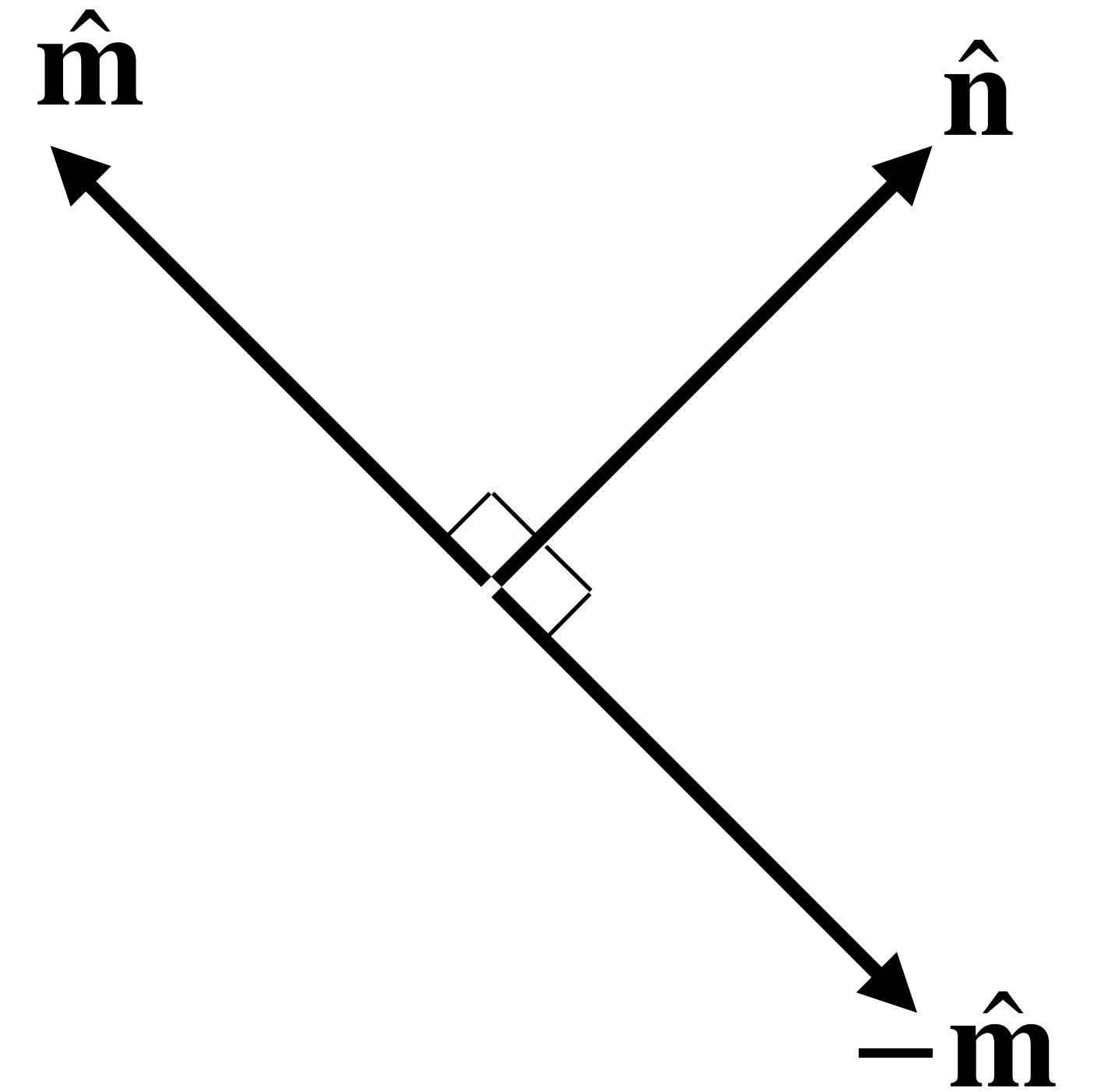
- A perpendicular unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{m}}$ must satisfy $\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{m}} = 0$

- Suitable choice is $\hat{\mathbf{m}} = \begin{pmatrix} -n_y \\ n_x \end{pmatrix}$

- Handedness?

- Could have also chosen $-\hat{\mathbf{m}} = \begin{pmatrix} n_y \\ -n_x \end{pmatrix}$

- Choose right-handed basis, such that $\det([\hat{\mathbf{n}} \ \hat{\mathbf{m}}]) = \det \begin{bmatrix} n_x & m_x \\ n_y & m_y \end{bmatrix} = n_x m_y - n_y m_x = +1$



Projection of a vector \mathbf{v} onto a direction, $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$

- The scalar component of \mathbf{v} along $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ is $v_n = \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}$

- The projected vector is

$$v_n \hat{\mathbf{n}} = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \hat{\mathbf{n}} = \hat{\mathbf{n}} (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^T \mathbf{v}) = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \hat{\mathbf{n}}^T \mathbf{v}$$

- The projection matrix is

$$\mathbf{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{n}}} = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \hat{\mathbf{n}}^T = \begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \\ n_3 \end{pmatrix} (n_1 \quad n_2 \quad n_3) = \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times \end{bmatrix}$$

- A rank-one matrix

- Vector with component along $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ removed is $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{n}}} \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{n}}}) \mathbf{v}$

- Decomposition into parallel and perpendicular components:

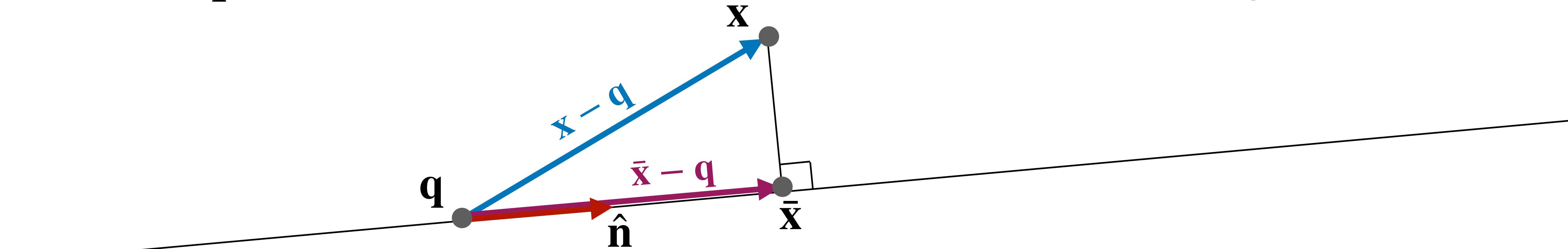
$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{n}}} \mathbf{v} + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{n}}}) \mathbf{v}$$

Projection onto a line

- Line equation: Consider a line given by the parametric equation,

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{q} + t \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

where \mathbf{q} is a point on the line, its direction is $\hat{\mathbf{n}}$, and t is the distance along the line.



- Given a point \mathbf{X} , its projection onto the line, $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$, must be

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{n}}}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{q} + \hat{\mathbf{n}} \hat{\mathbf{n}}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q})$$

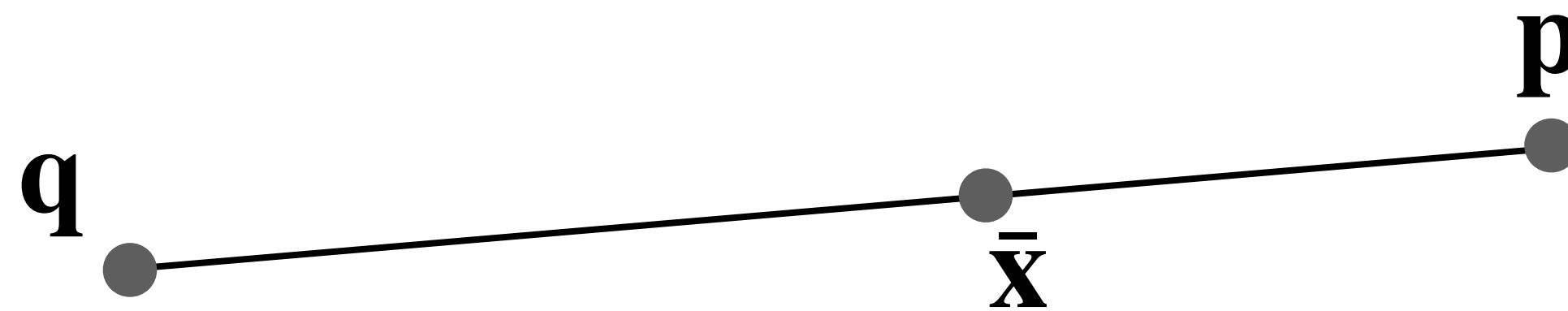
- t is the signed distance along the line:

$$t = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^T (\mathbf{r}(t) - \mathbf{q}) = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^T (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{q}) = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^T \mathbf{P}_{\hat{\mathbf{n}}}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}) = \hat{\mathbf{n}}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q})$$

Barycentric coordinates of a point on a line segment

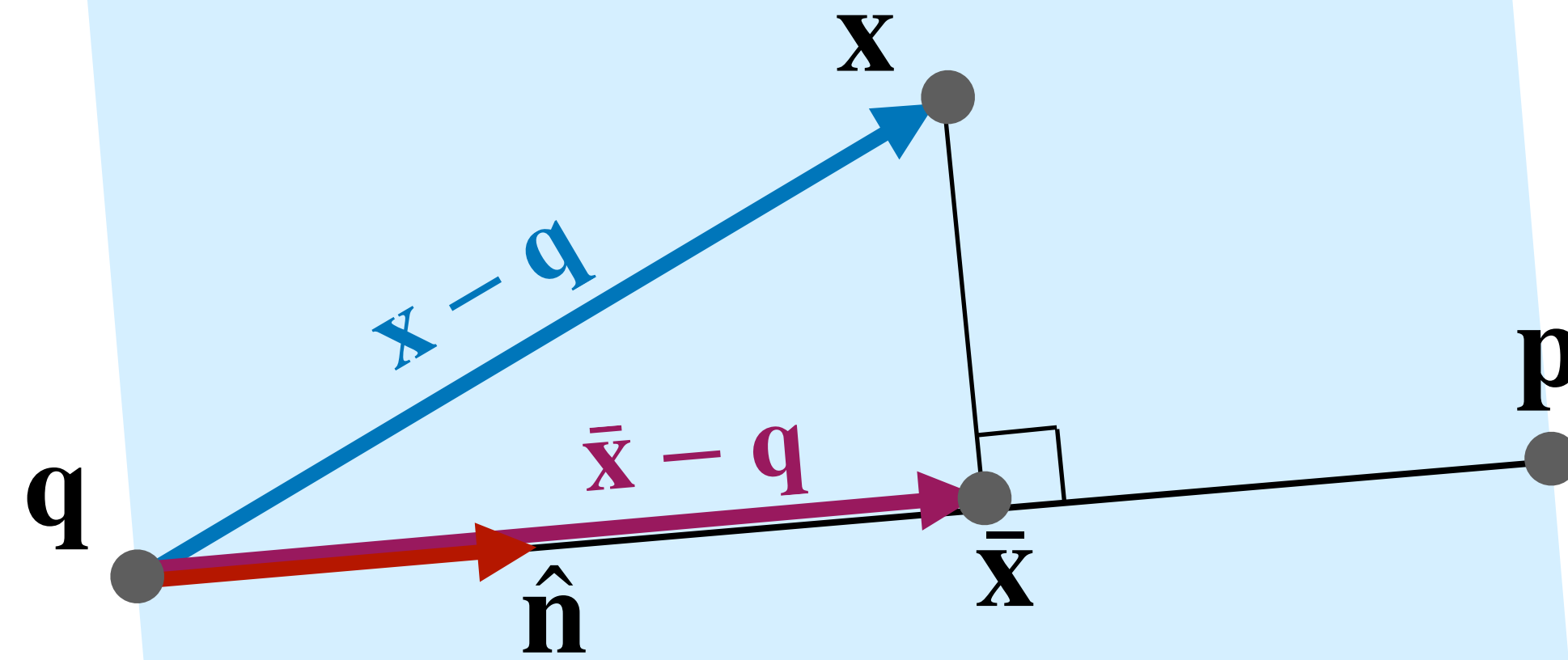
- Representation guarantees point is on line segment
- Barycentric coordinate, $\alpha \in [0,1]$
- Point on line segment given by

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{q} + \alpha\mathbf{p}$$



Closest-point projection onto a line segment, pq

- Define $\hat{n} = \frac{p - q}{\|p - q\|}$
- Given X , obtain its projection onto the infinite line, \bar{X} , and parameter, t



- Define the normalized coordinate, $\bar{\alpha} = \frac{t}{\|p - q\|} \in \mathbb{R}$
- The closest point is then given at barycentric coordinate $\alpha = \text{clamp}(\bar{\alpha}, 0, 1)$
- DEMO: <https://openprocessing.org/sketch/1673434>

Projection: Closest point on a plane

- Given the implicit equation of a plane

$$C(\mathbf{x}) = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{x} + d = 0$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{n}} = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} C(\mathbf{x})$ is a *unit* normal vector to the plane.

- The closest point on the plane is located at

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \lambda \hat{\mathbf{n}}$$

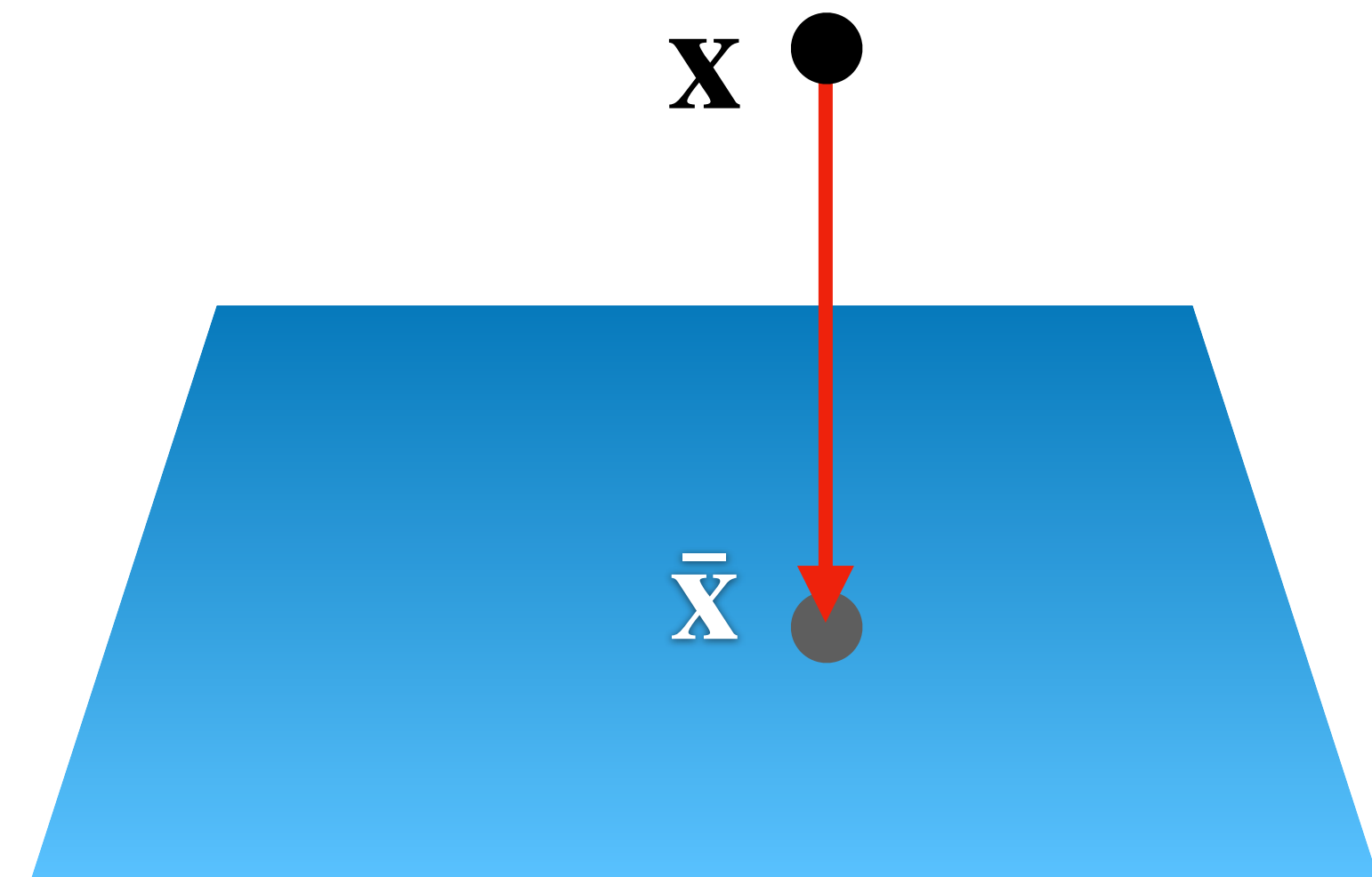
where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ is the unknown projection distance.

- Substituting into plane equation

$$0 = C(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot (\mathbf{x} + \lambda \hat{\mathbf{n}}) + d = \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{x} + \lambda + d = C(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda$$

so that $\lambda = -C(\mathbf{x})$ and therefore the closest point on the plane is

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} - C(\mathbf{x}) \hat{\mathbf{n}}$$



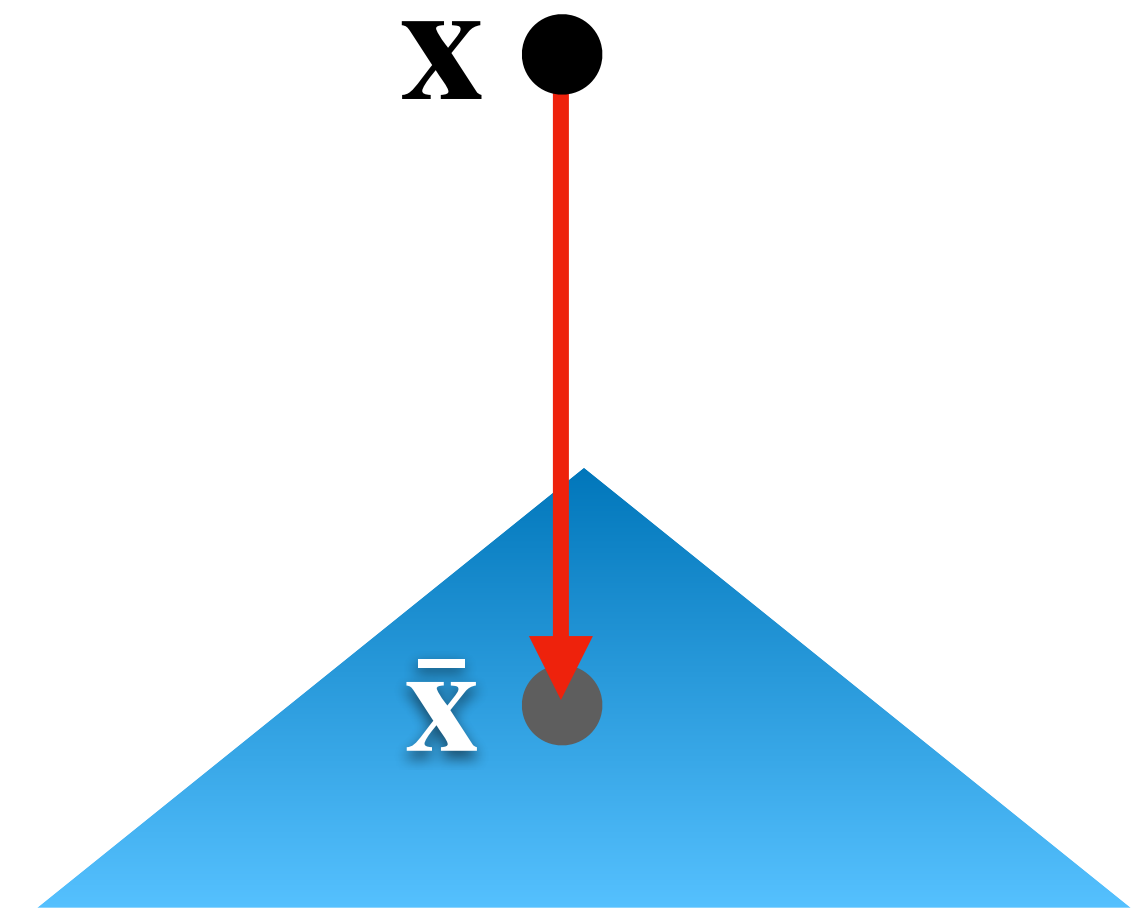
Barycentric coordinates of a point on a triangle

- Representation guarantees point is on triangle
- Given triangle with vertices $\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2$
- Construct edge vectors $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_0$ and $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_0$
- Point on plane can be expressed as
 - $\alpha_0 \mathbf{p}_0 + \alpha_1 \mathbf{p}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{p}_2$ where $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$.
- Or
 - $\mathbf{p}_0 + \alpha_1 \mathbf{u} + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v}$
- Point is inside the triangle when all $\alpha_i \in [0, 1]$.
- How to get α_i ?

Closest-point projection onto a triangle

- Related to homework question
- Can estimate barycentric weights using least squares solution of

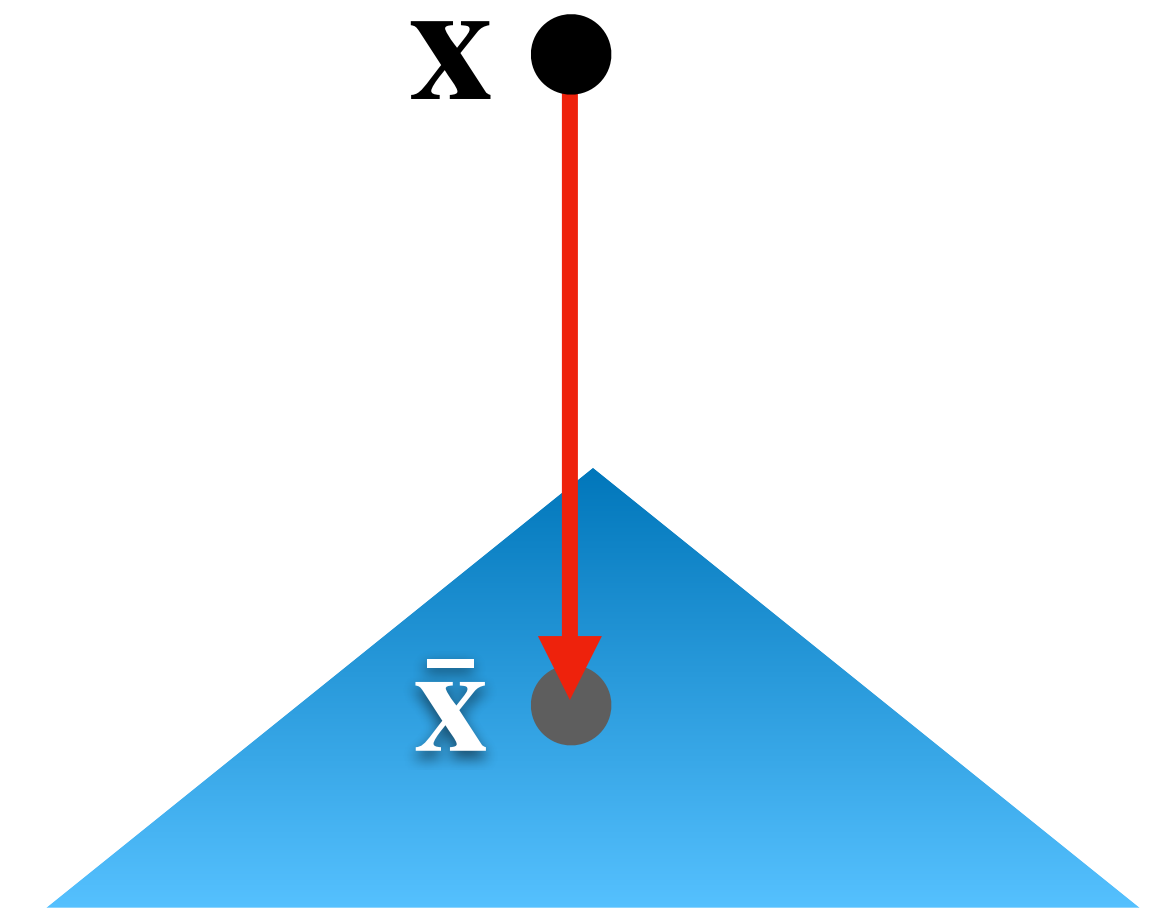
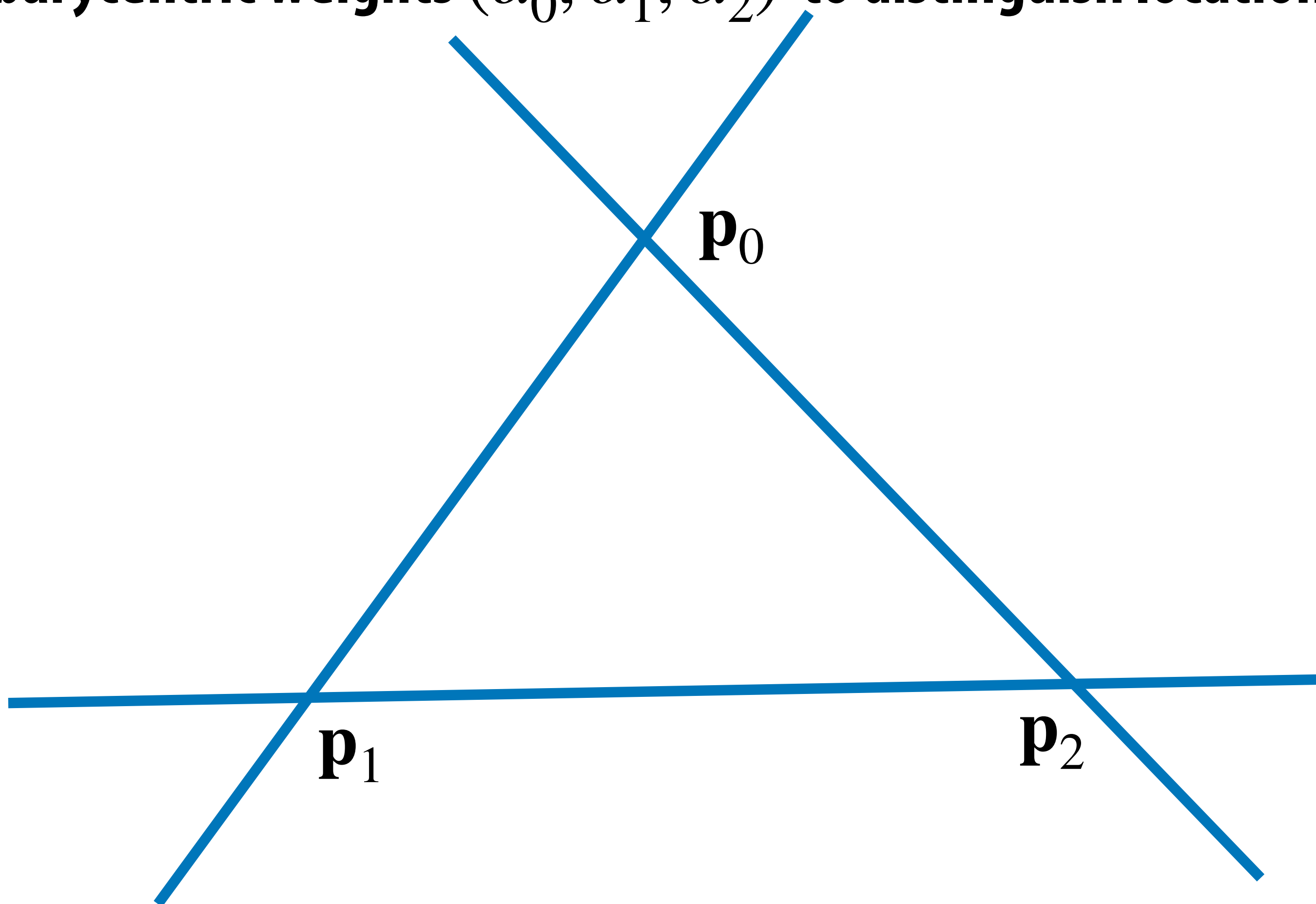
$$\mathbf{x} \approx \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\alpha) = \mathbf{p}_0 + \alpha_1 \mathbf{u} + \alpha_2 \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{p}_0 + [\mathbf{u} \ \mathbf{v}] \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{J} \alpha$$



- Writing $\mathbf{J} \alpha = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_0$ (in a least-squares sense)
- Solving least-squares project using the Normal equations (i.e., project using \mathbf{J}^T):
- $\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} \alpha = \mathbf{J}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_0)$ implies that $\alpha = (\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J})^{-1} \mathbf{J}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_0)$.
- The least-squares solution is $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{J} (\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J})^{-1} \mathbf{J}^T (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_0)$
- Compare to projection-onto-line equation (with $\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{q}$ and $\mathbf{J} = \hat{\mathbf{n}}$)

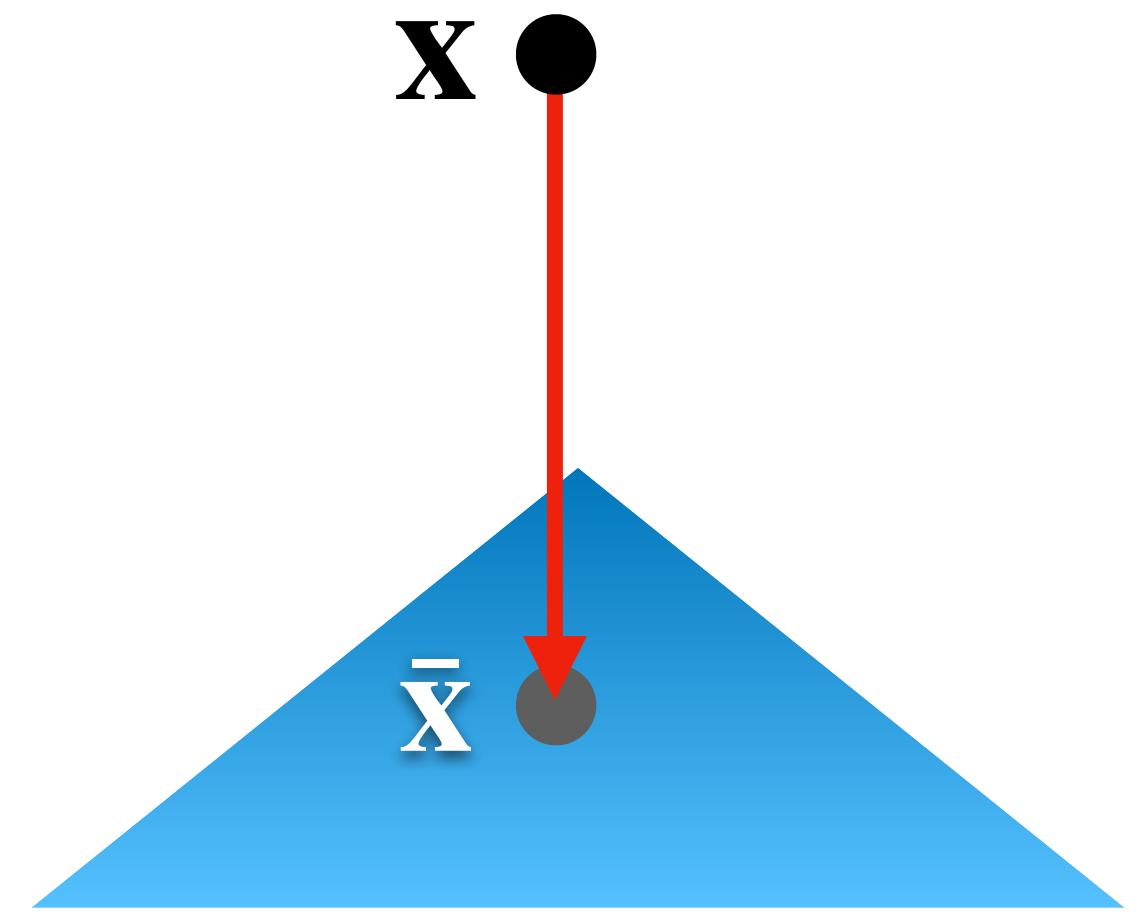
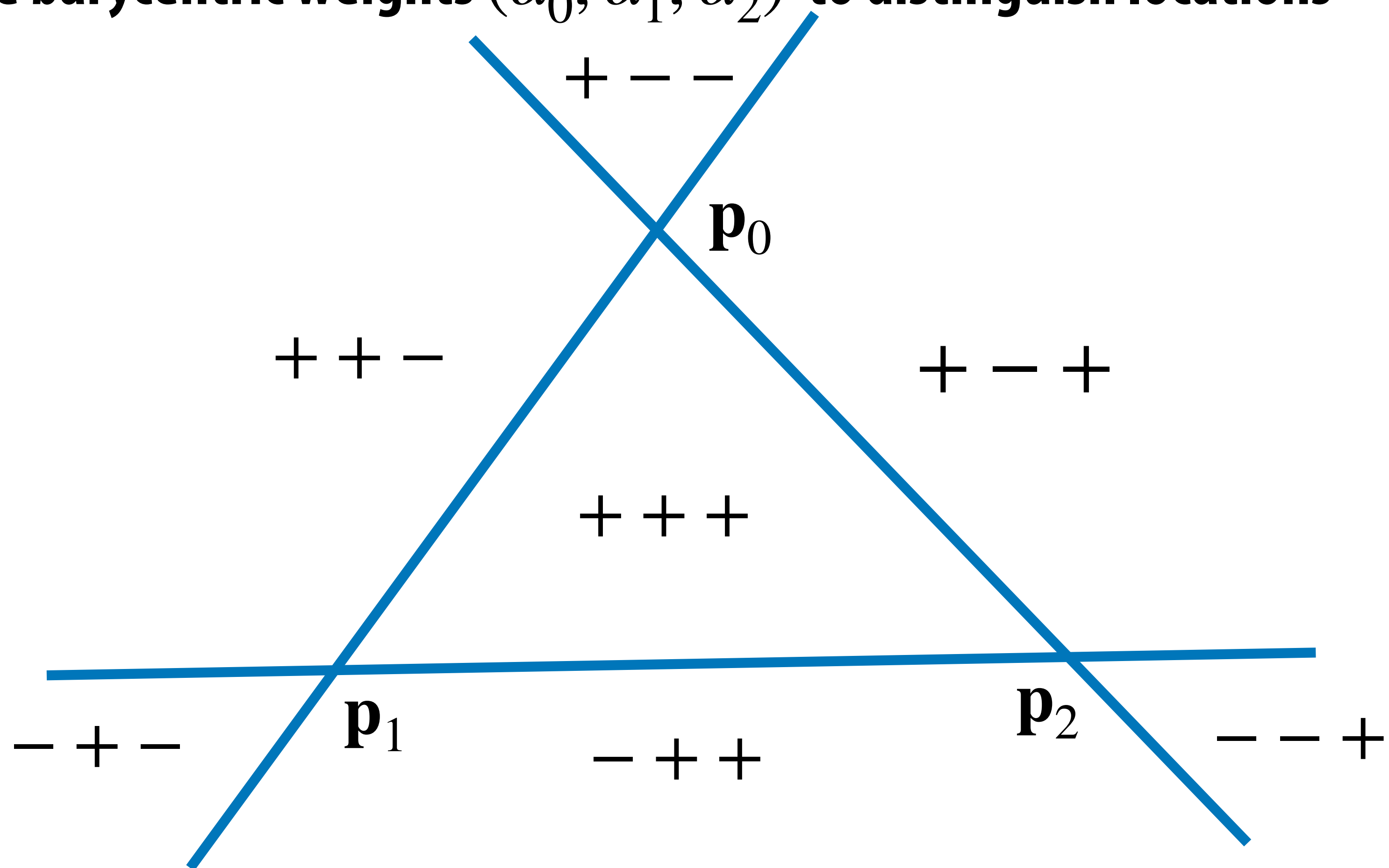
Closest-point projection onto a triangle

- Related to homework question
- Closest features could be vertex, point on edge, or point on face.
 - Can use barycentric weights $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ to distinguish locations
 - How?



Closest-point projection onto a triangle

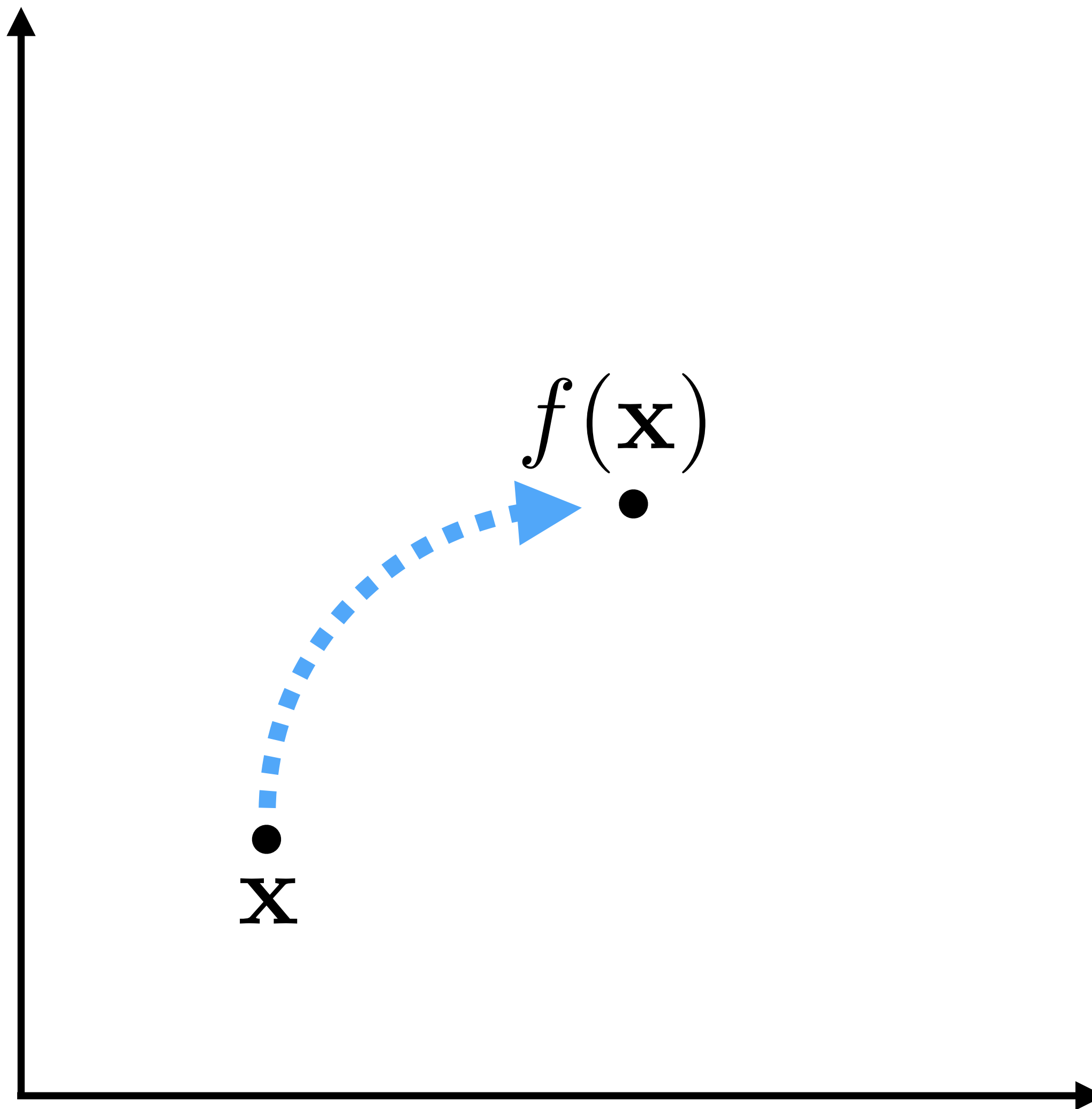
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Transformations

(more in CS248A)

Basic idea: f transforms point \mathbf{x} to $f(\mathbf{x})$



What can we do with *linear* transformations?

- What does *linear* mean?

$$f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + f(\mathbf{y})$$

$$f(a\mathbf{x}) = af(\mathbf{x})$$

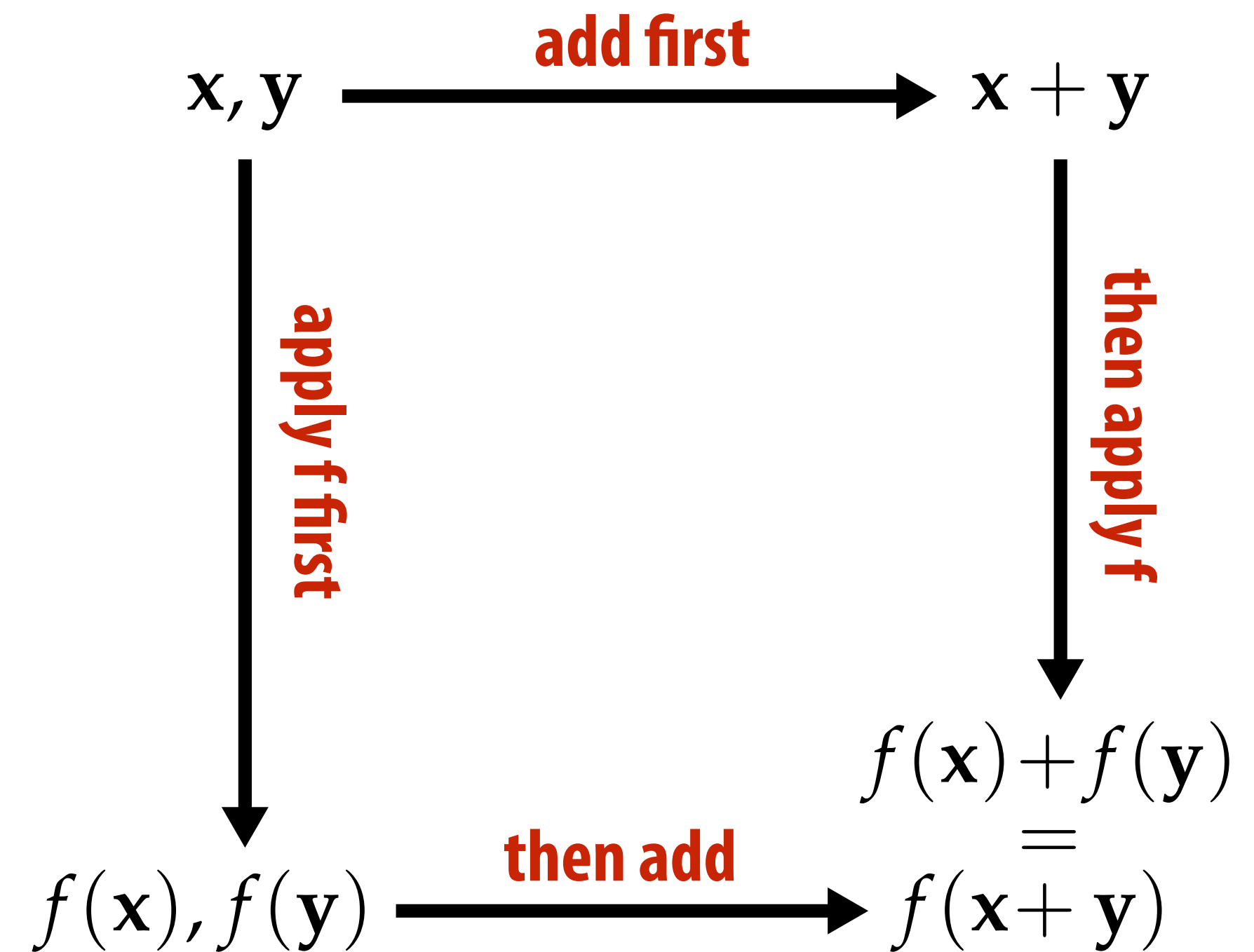
- Cheap to compute
- Composition of linear transformations is linear
 - Leads to uniform representation of transformations

Linear transformation

$$f(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = f(\mathbf{u}) + f(\mathbf{v})$$

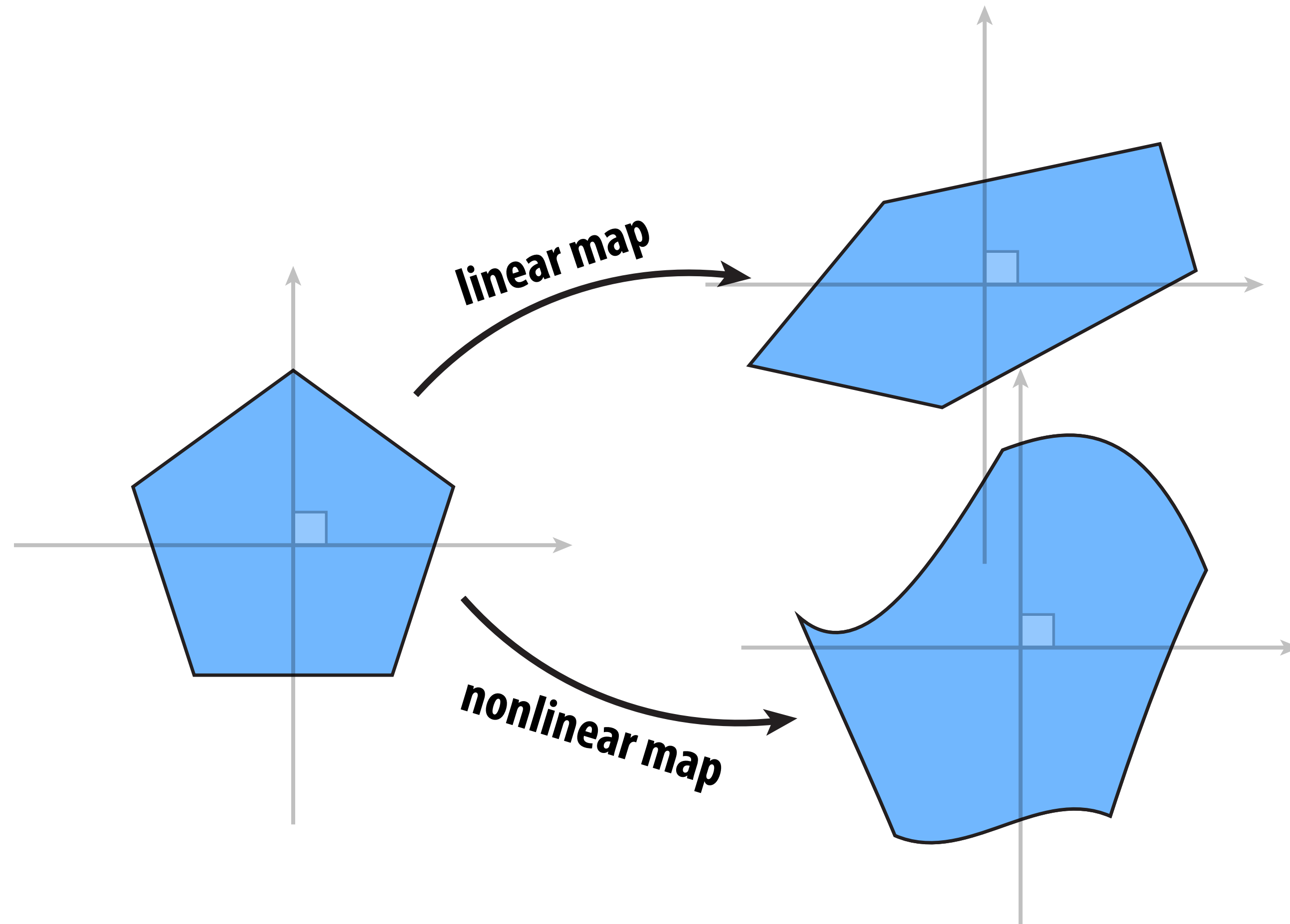
$$f(a\mathbf{u}) = af(\mathbf{u})$$

- In other words: if it doesn't matter whether we add the vectors and then apply the map, or apply the map and then add the vectors (and likewise for scaling):



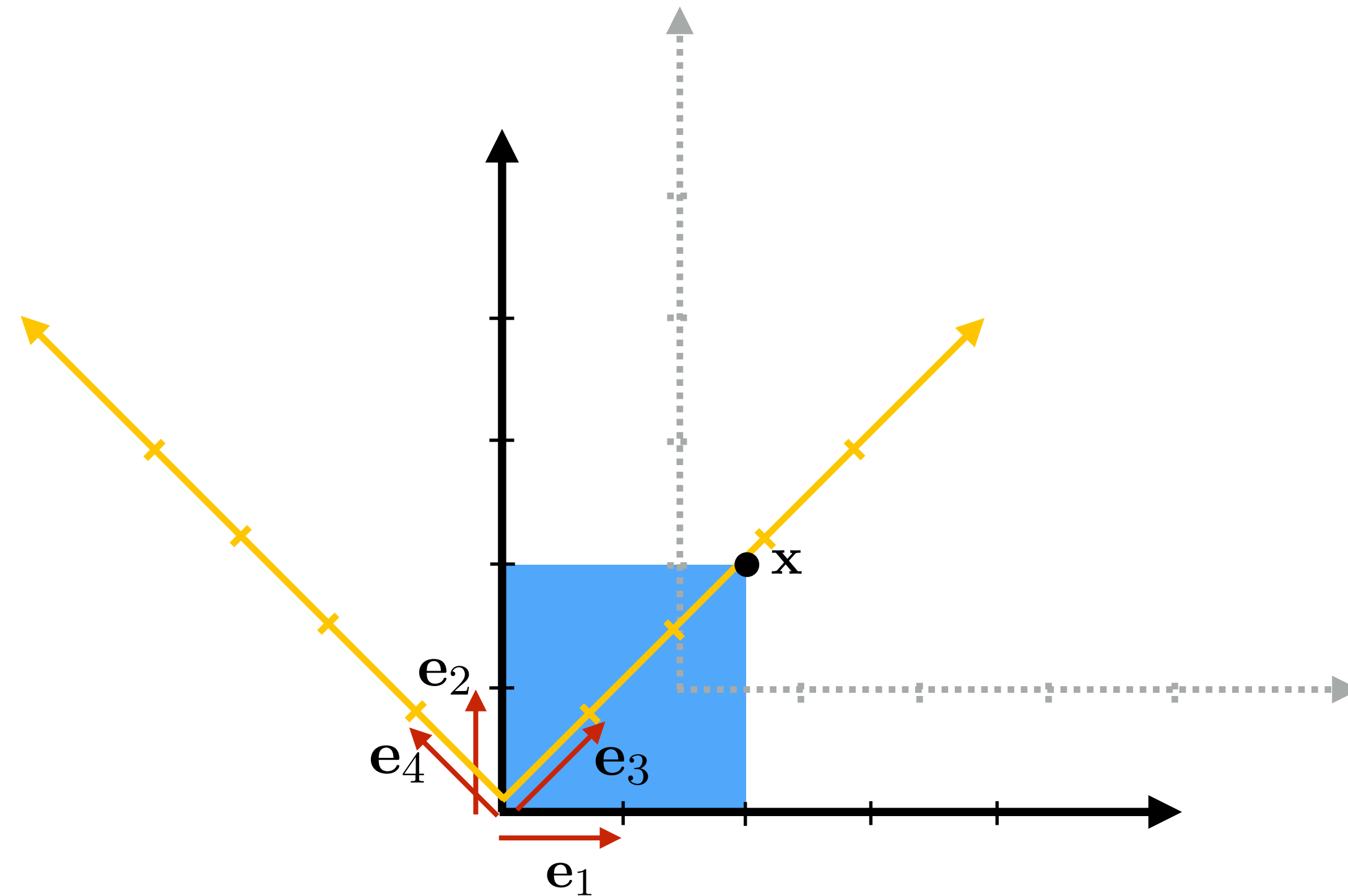
Linear transforms/maps—visualized

■ Example:



Key idea: *linear maps take lines to lines*

Review: representing points in a coordinate space



Consider coordinate space defined by orthogonal vectors e_1 and e_2

$$\mathbf{x} = 2\mathbf{e}_1 + 2\mathbf{e}_2$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ **in coordinate space defined by e_1 and e_2 , with origin at $(1.5, 1)$**

$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{8} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ **in coordinate space defined by e_3 and e_4 , with origin at $(0, 0)$**

Review: 2D matrix multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$x \begin{bmatrix} a \\ c \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} b \\ d \end{bmatrix} =$$

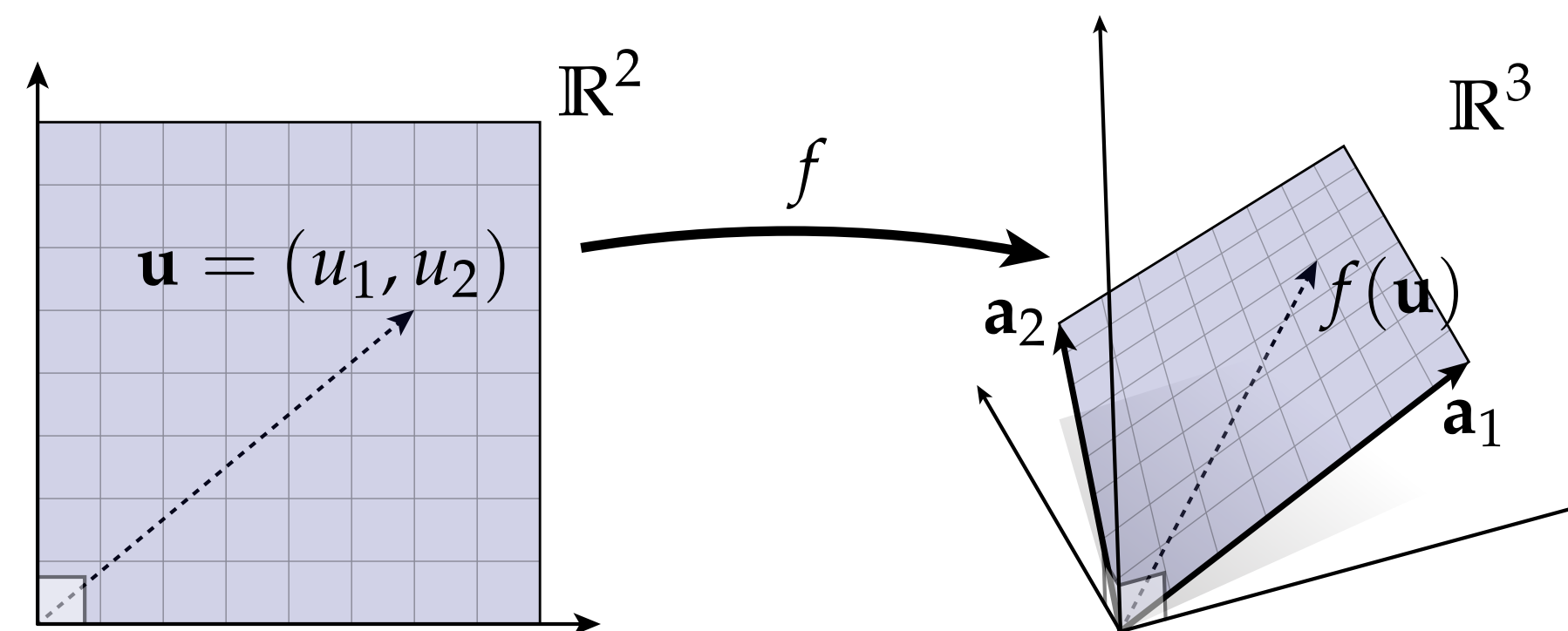
$$\begin{bmatrix} ax + by \\ cx + dy \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Matrix multiplication is linear combination of columns**
- **Encodes a linear map!**

Linear maps via matrices

- **Example: Consider a linear map**

$$f(\mathbf{u}) = u_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + u_2 \mathbf{a}_2$$



- **Encoding as a matrix: “a” vectors become matrix columns:**

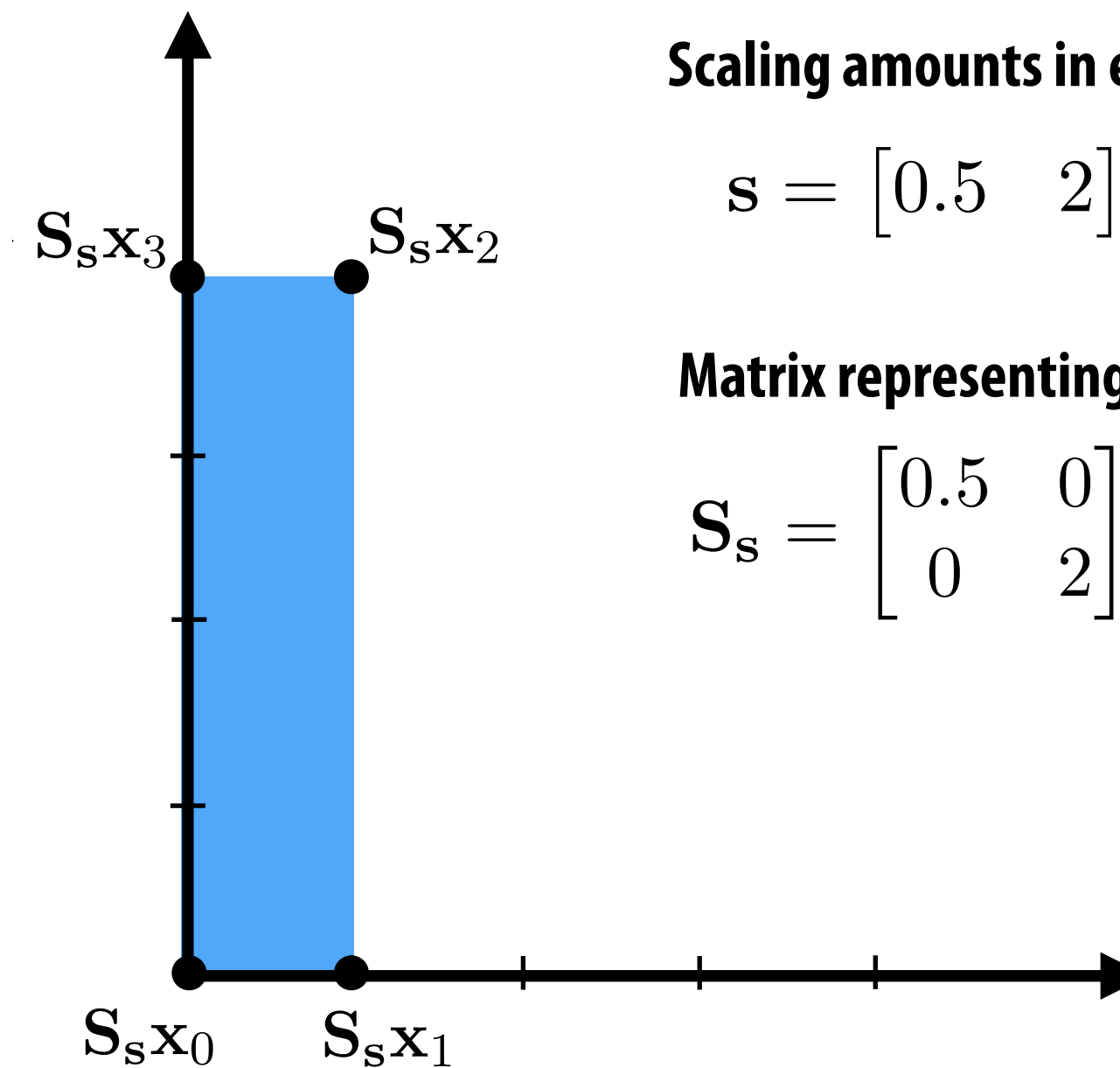
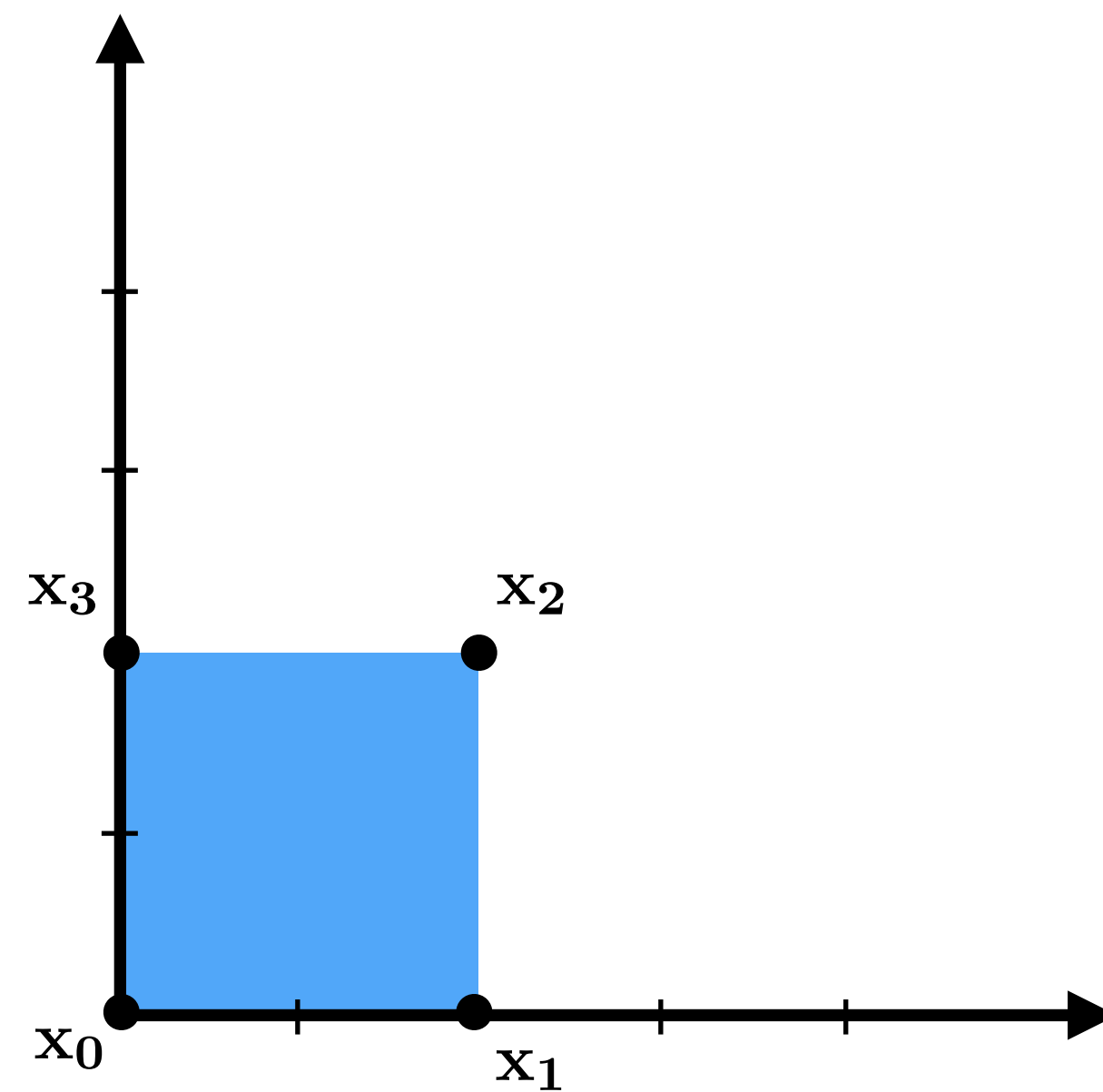
$$A := \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,x} & a_{2,x} \\ a_{1,y} & a_{2,y} \\ a_{1,z} & a_{2,z} \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Matrix-vector multiply computes same output as original map:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{1,x} & a_{2,x} \\ a_{1,y} & a_{2,y} \\ a_{1,z} & a_{2,z} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,x}u_1 + a_{2,x}u_2 \\ a_{1,y}u_1 + a_{2,y}u_2 \\ a_{1,z}u_1 + a_{2,z}u_2 \end{bmatrix} = u_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + u_2 \mathbf{a}_2$$

Linear transformations in 2D can be represented as 2x2 matrices

Consider non-uniform scale: $S_s = \begin{bmatrix} s_x & 0 \\ 0 & s_y \end{bmatrix}$



Scaling amounts in each direction:

$$s = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Matrix representing scale transform:

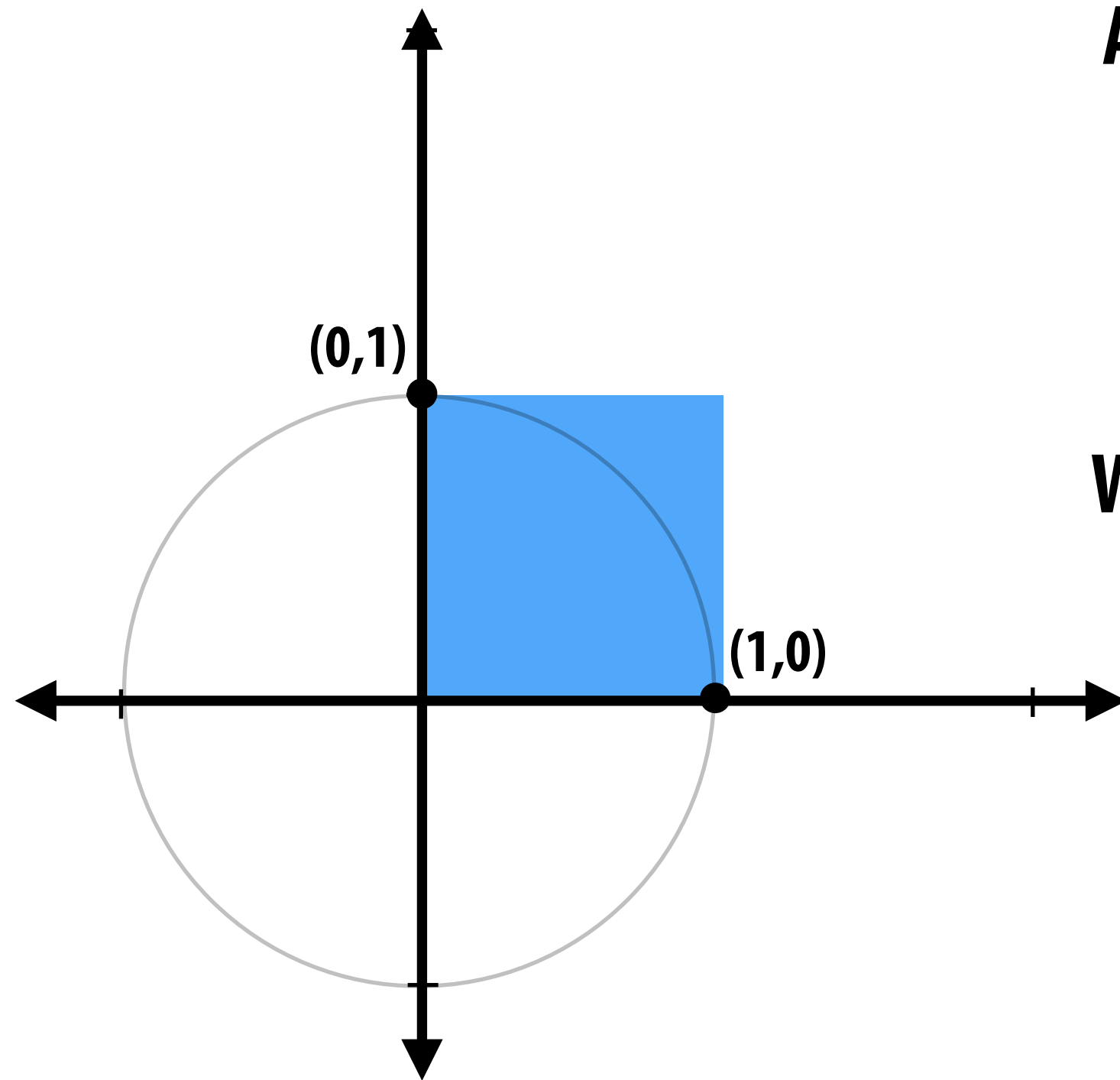
$$S_s = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation matrix (2D)

Question: what happens to $(1, 0)$ and $(0, 1)$ after rotation by θ ?

Reminder: rotation moves points along circular trajectories.

(Recall that $\cos \theta$ and $\sin \theta$ are the coordinates of a point on the unit circle.)



Answer:

$$R_{\theta}(1, 0) = (\cos(\theta), \sin(\theta))$$

$$R_{\theta}(0, 1) = (\cos(\theta + \pi/2), \sin(\theta + \pi/2))$$

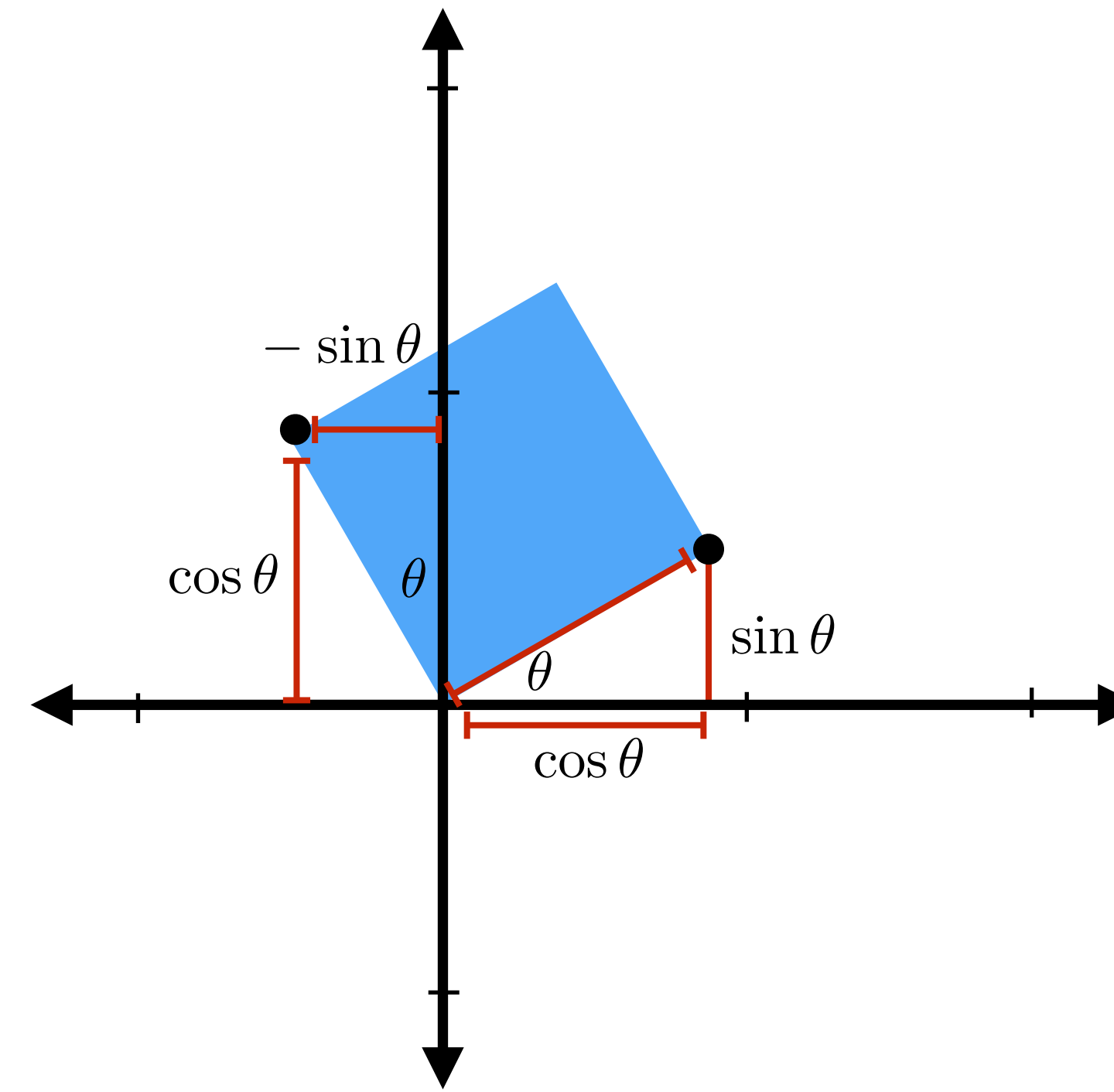
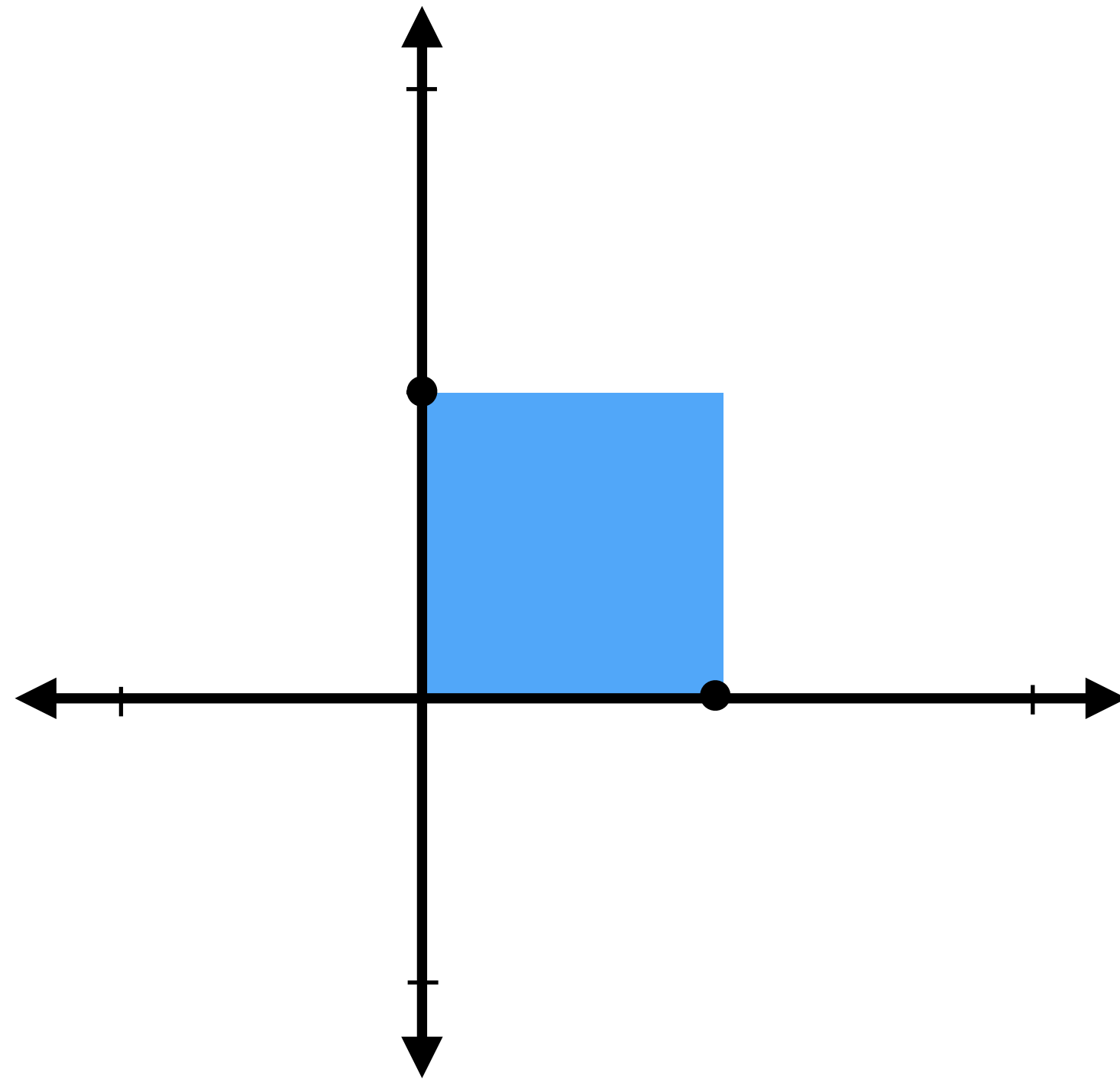
Which means the matrix must look like:

$$R_{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & \cos(\theta + \pi/2) \\ \sin(\theta) & \sin(\theta + \pi/2) \end{bmatrix}$$

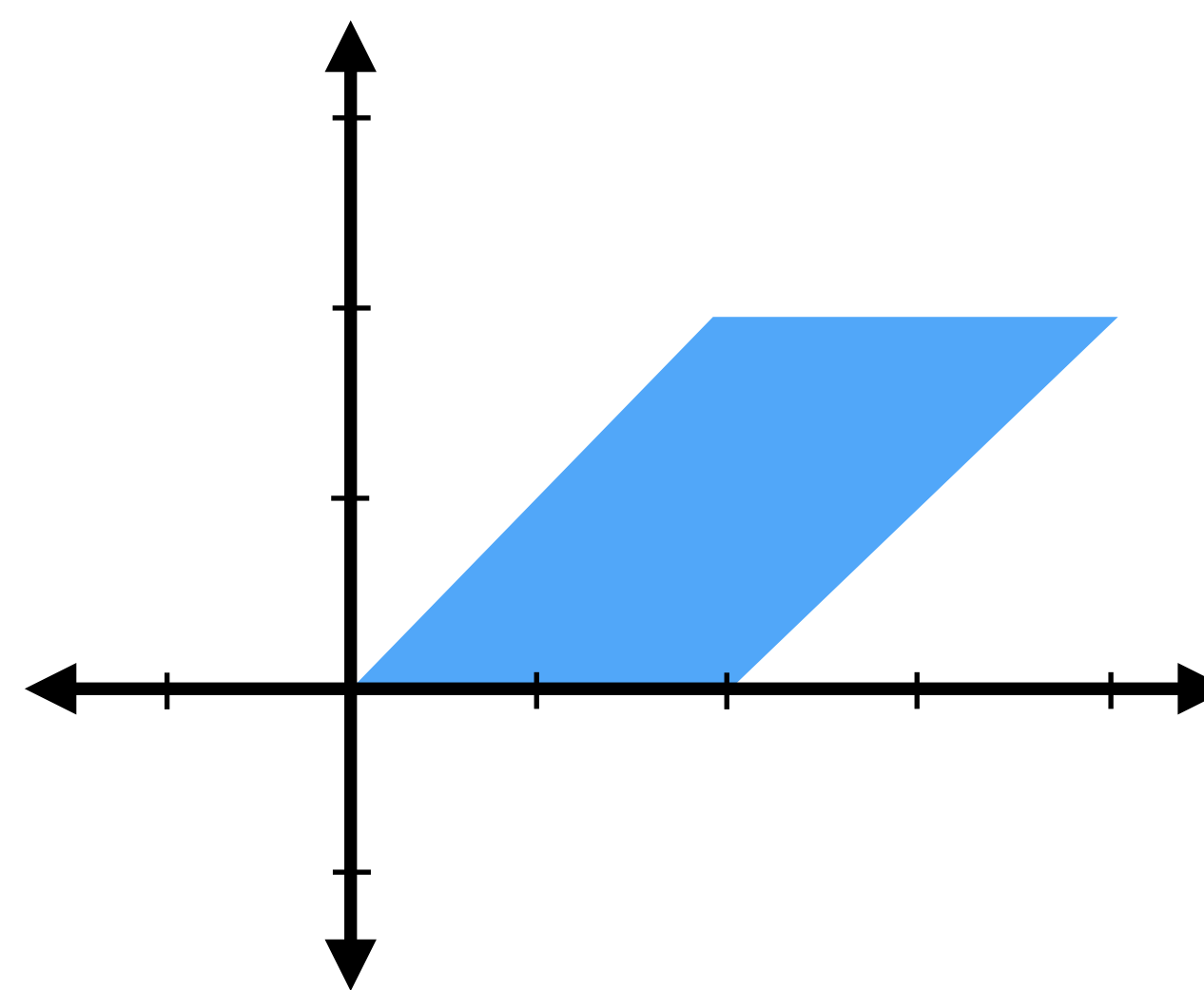
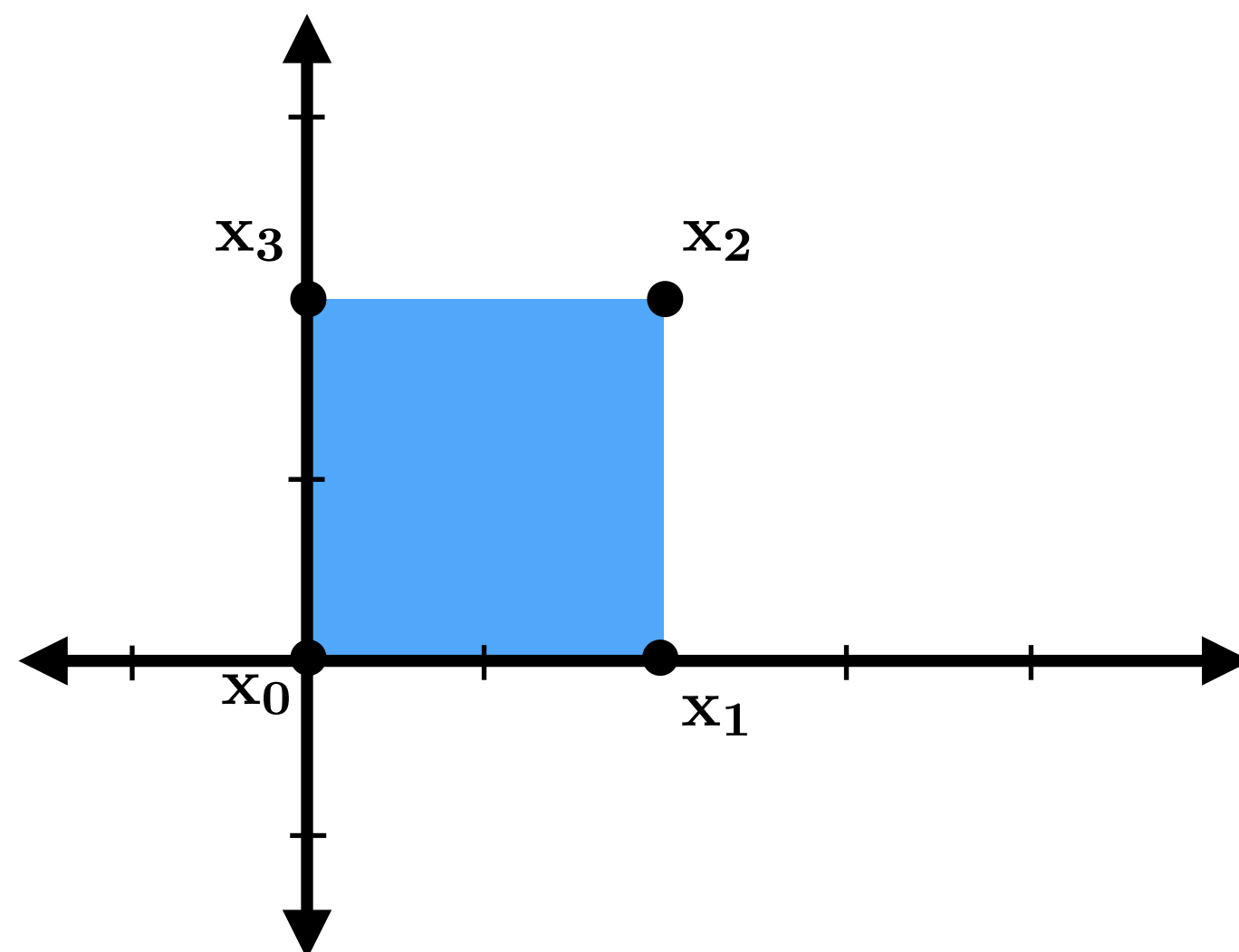
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta) & -\sin(\theta) \\ \sin(\theta) & \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation matrix (2D): another way...

$$\mathbf{R}_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$



Shear

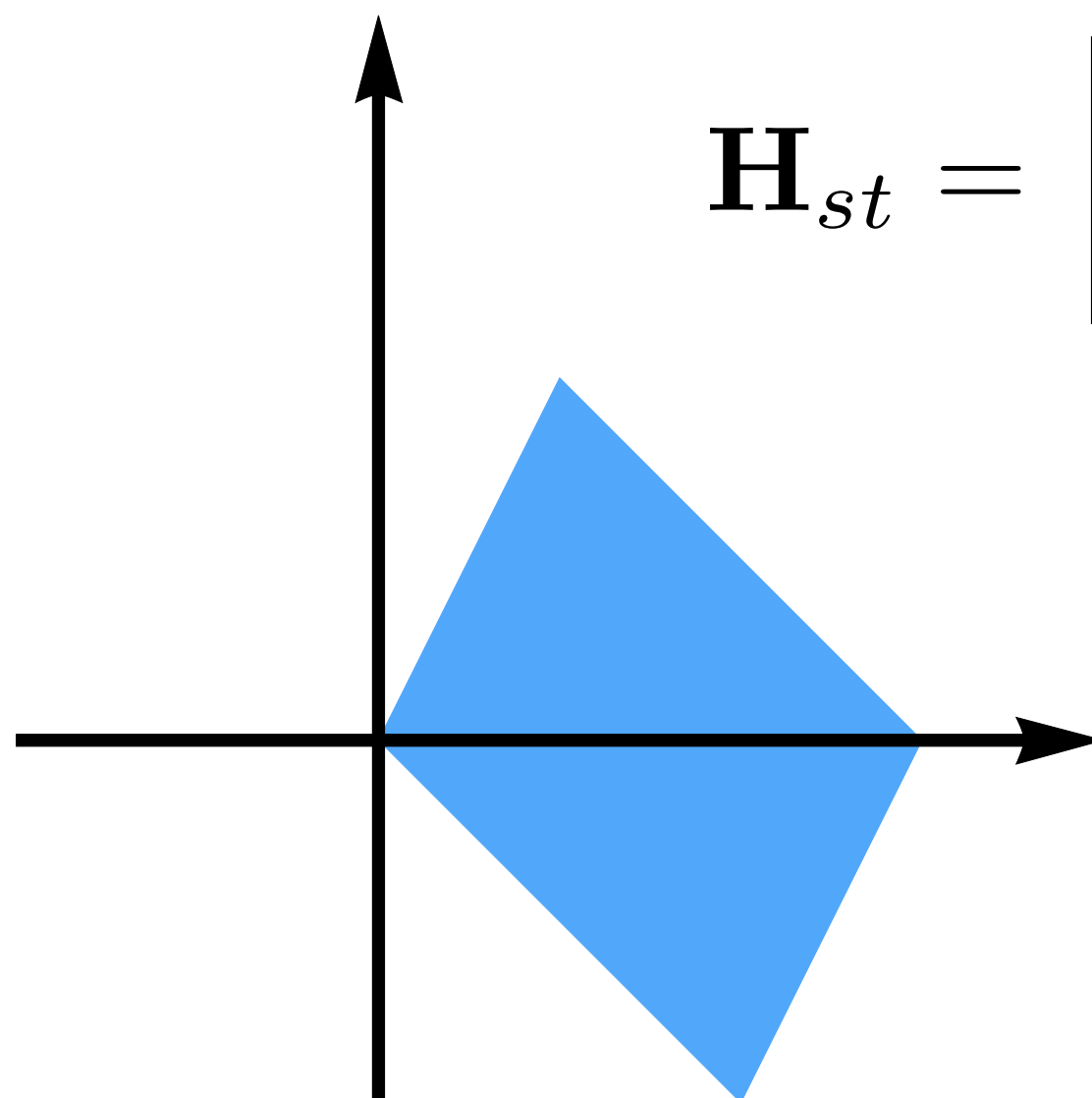


Shear in x:

$$\mathbf{H}_{xs} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

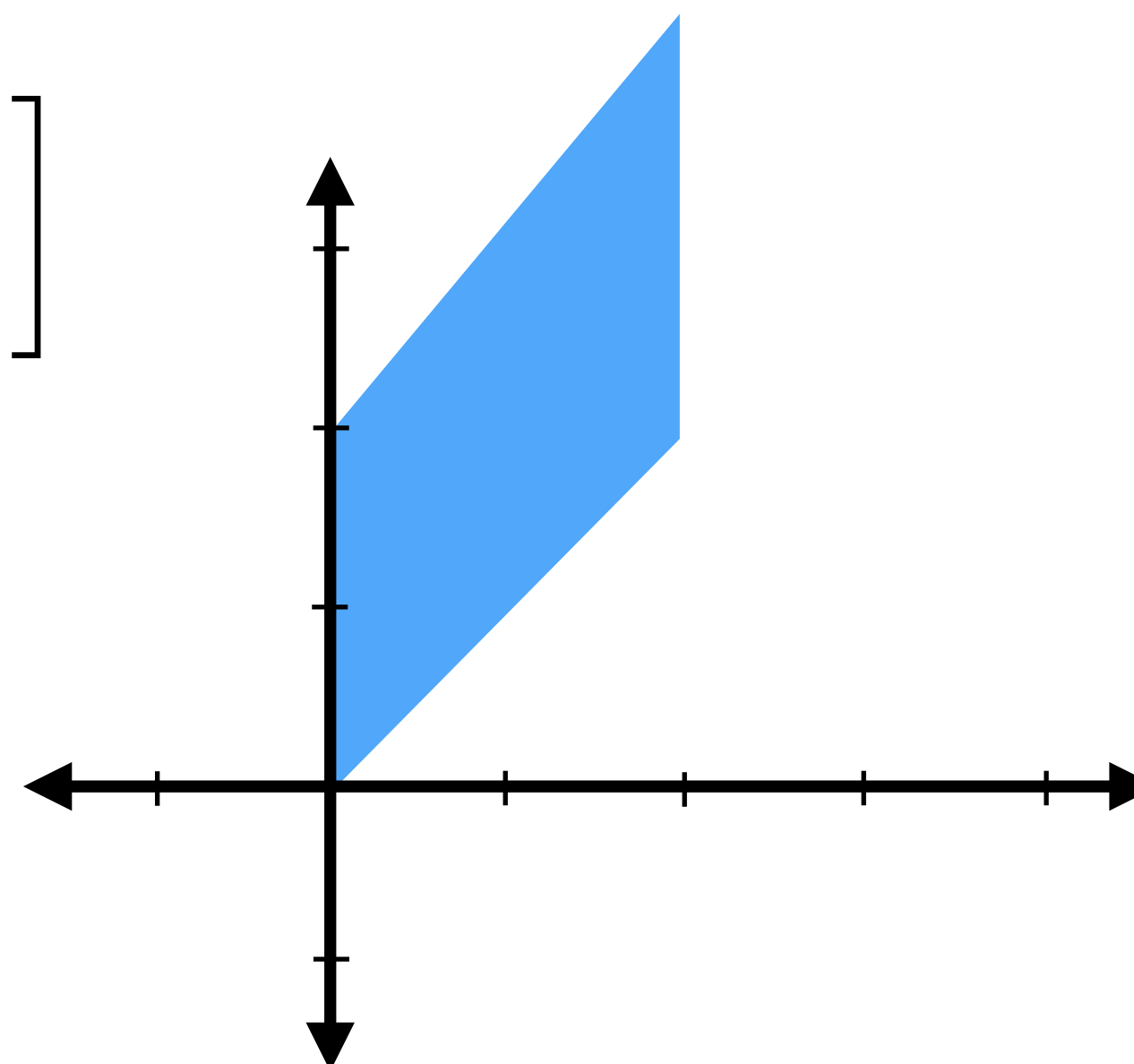
Arbitrary shear:

$$\mathbf{H}_{st} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & s \\ t & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

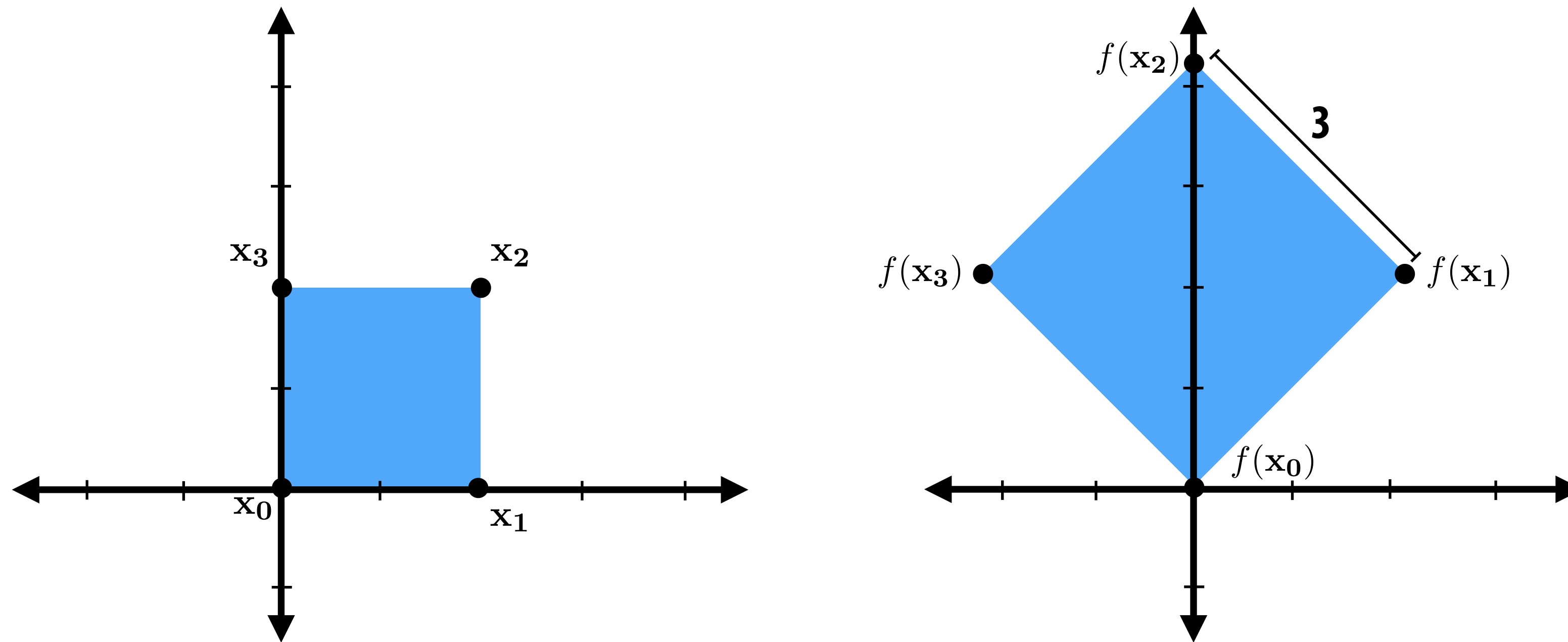


Shear in y:

$$\mathbf{H}_{ys} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ s & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



How do we compose linear transformations?



Compose linear transformations via matrix multiplication.

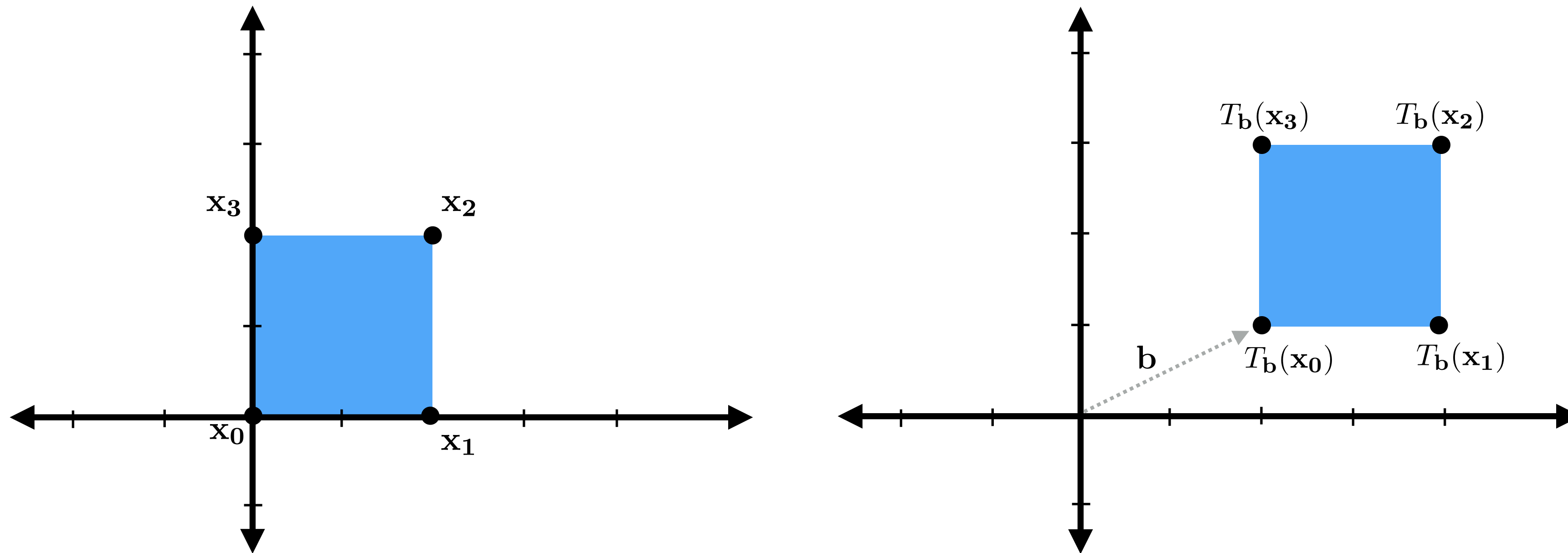
This example: uniform scale, followed by rotation

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = R_{\pi/4} \mathbf{S}_{[1.5, 1.5]} \mathbf{x}$$

Enables simple, efficient implementation: reduce complex chain of transformations to a single matrix multiplication.

How do we deal with translation? (Not linear)

$$T_b(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$$



Unfortunately, translation is not a linear transform

- **Output coefficients are not a linear combination of input coefficients**
- **Translation operation cannot be represented by a 2x2 matrix**

$$x_{\text{out } x} = x_x + b_x$$

$$x_{\text{out } y} = x_y + b_y$$

Translation math

Affine transformations

Common class of transformations in graphics and animation

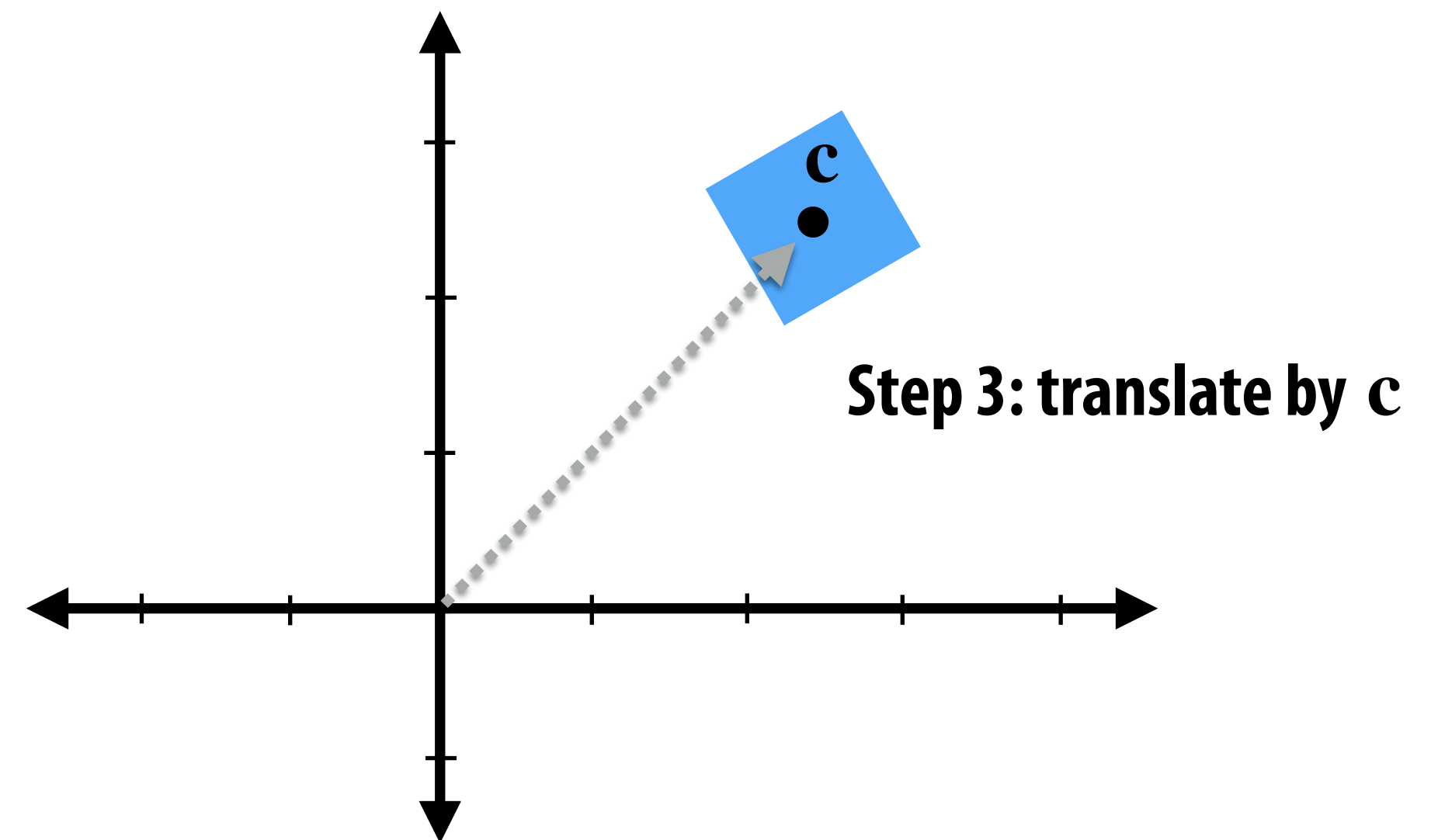
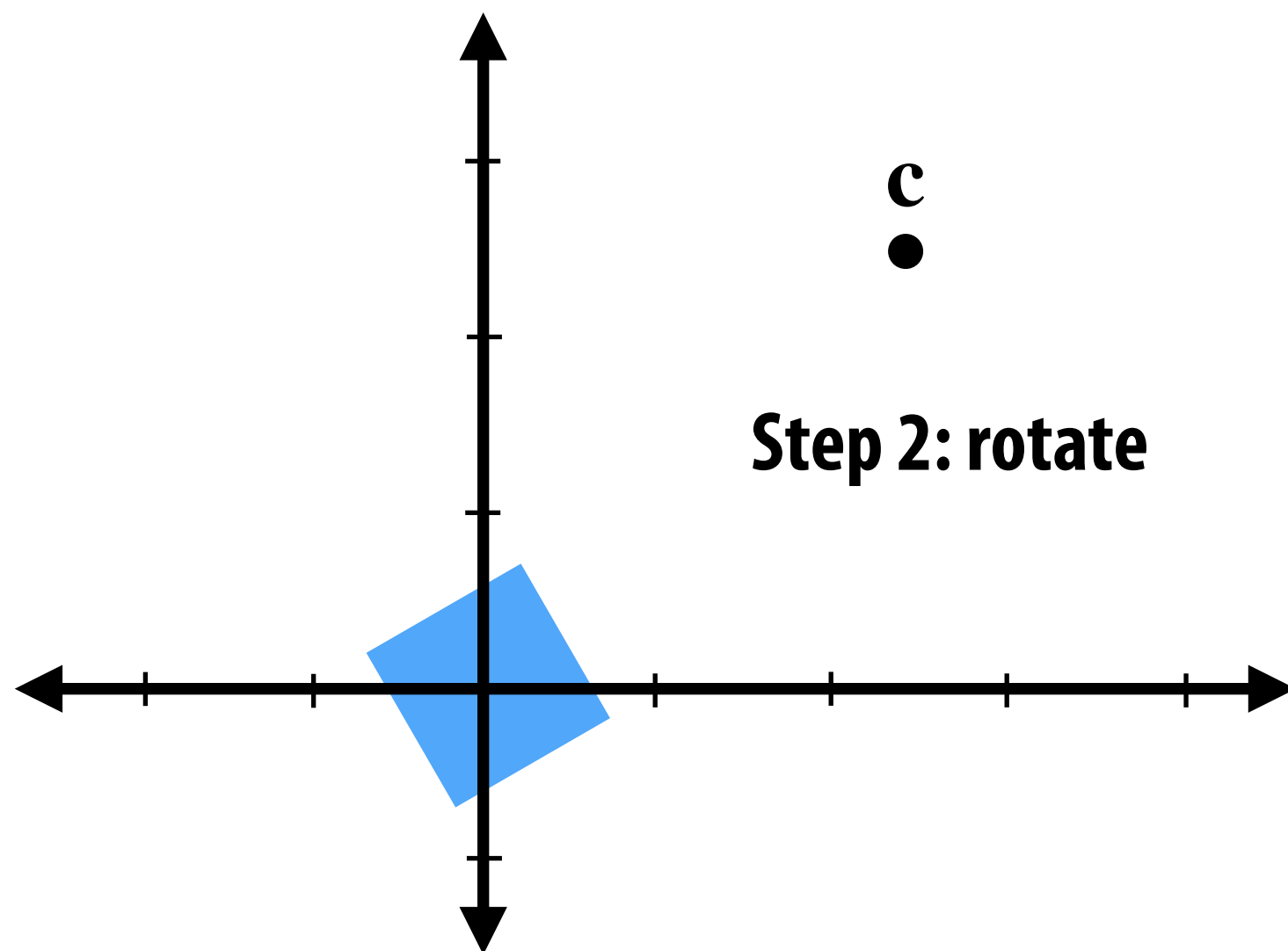
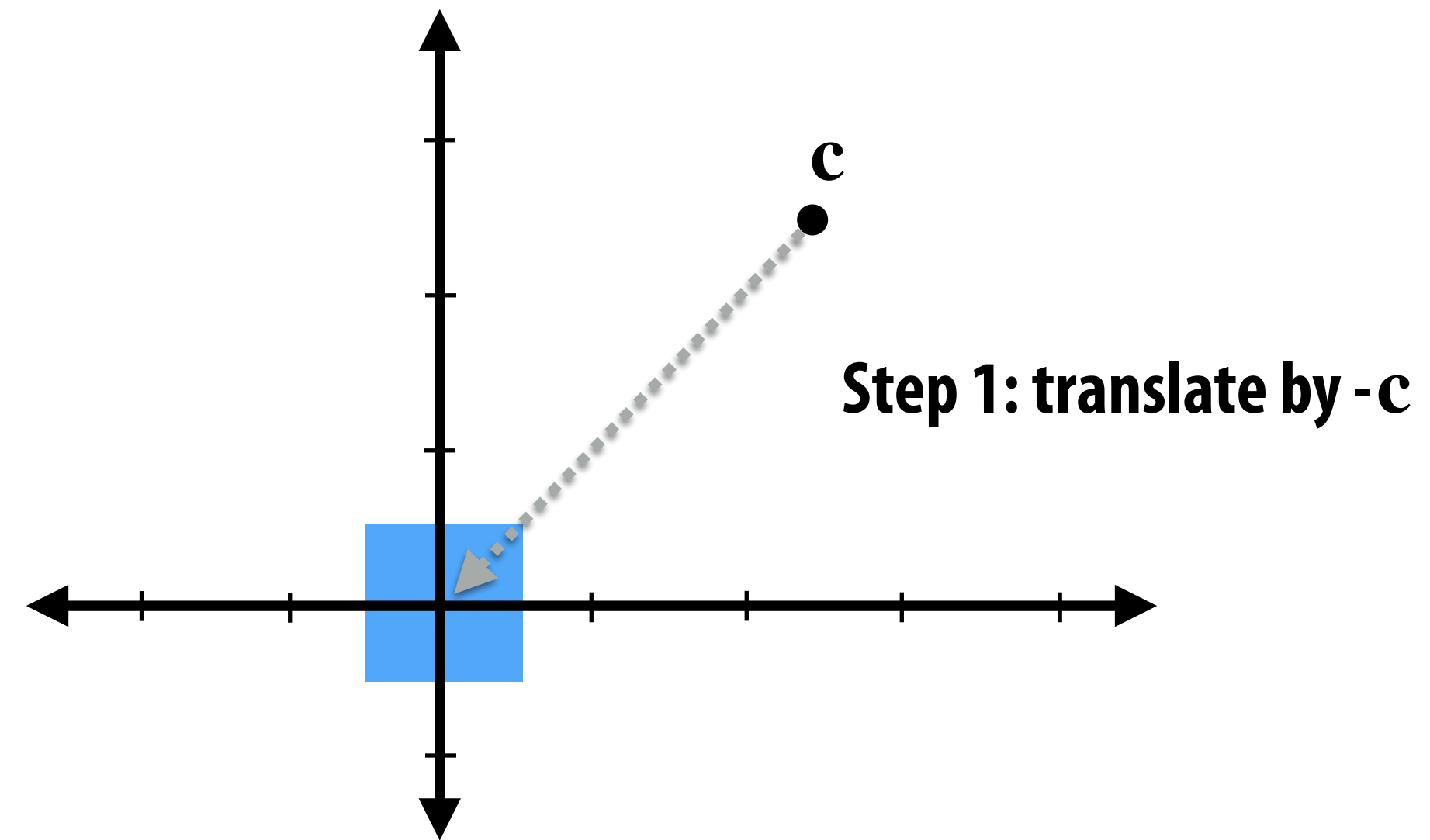
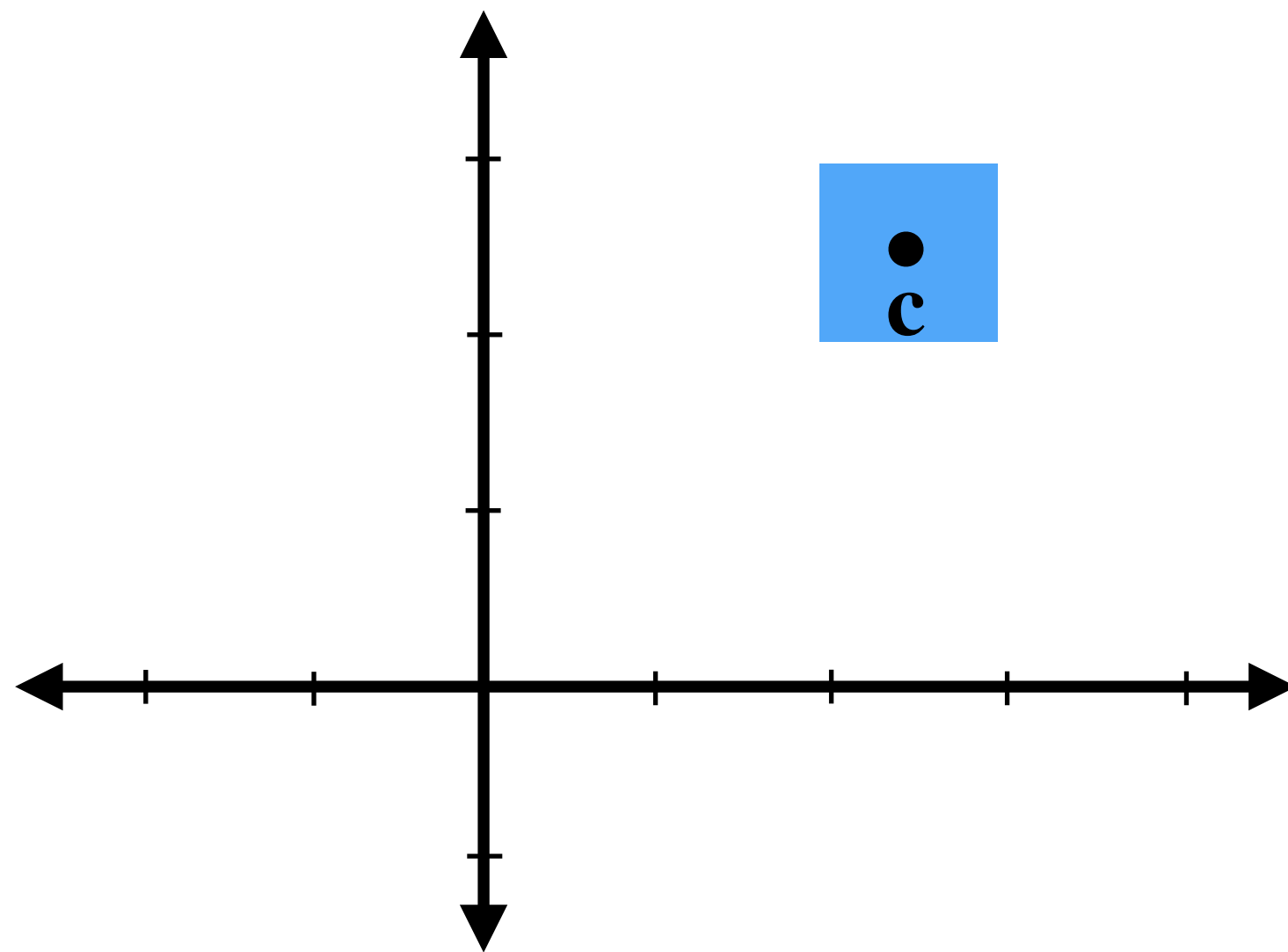
Coordinate vector, \mathbf{x} , gets transformed as

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$$

where

- **\mathbf{A} is a linear matrix operator representing scale, shear, rotation and reflections,**
- **\mathbf{b} is a translation.**
- **Example: Rigid body motion $\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$ where \mathbf{R} is a rotation, and \mathbf{b} is a translation.**
- **CS248A covers homogeneous coordinates**
 - **Used to write affine transformations as linear matrix operators**
 - **Used extensively in geometry and rendering**

Common task: rotate about a point c



Common task: rotate \mathbf{x} about a point \mathbf{c}

- Given \mathbf{x} , what is the overall affine transformation,

$$\mathbf{Ax} + \mathbf{b}?$$

- Step 1: $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}$

- Step 2: $\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c})$

- Step 3: $\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}) + \mathbf{c}$

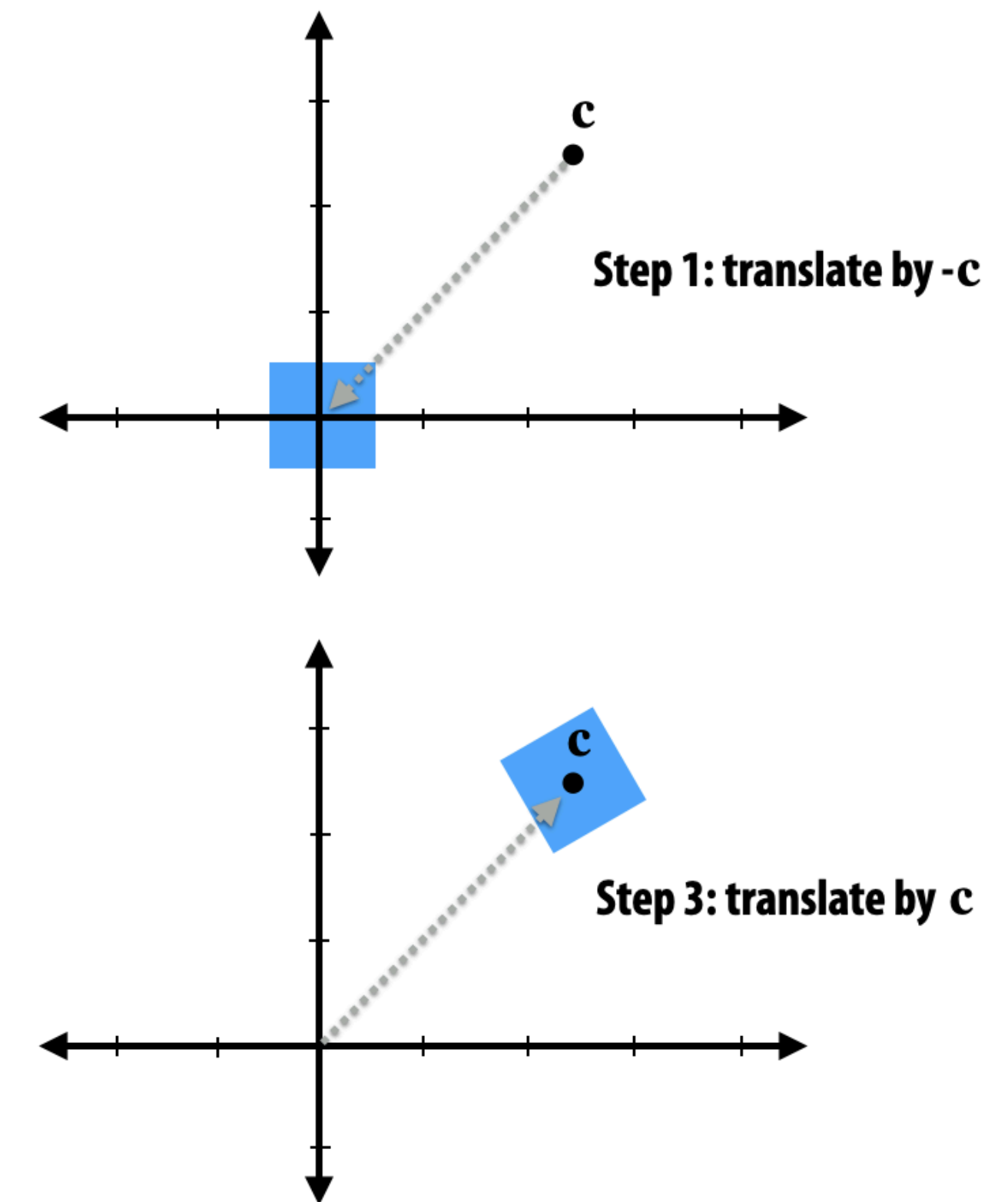
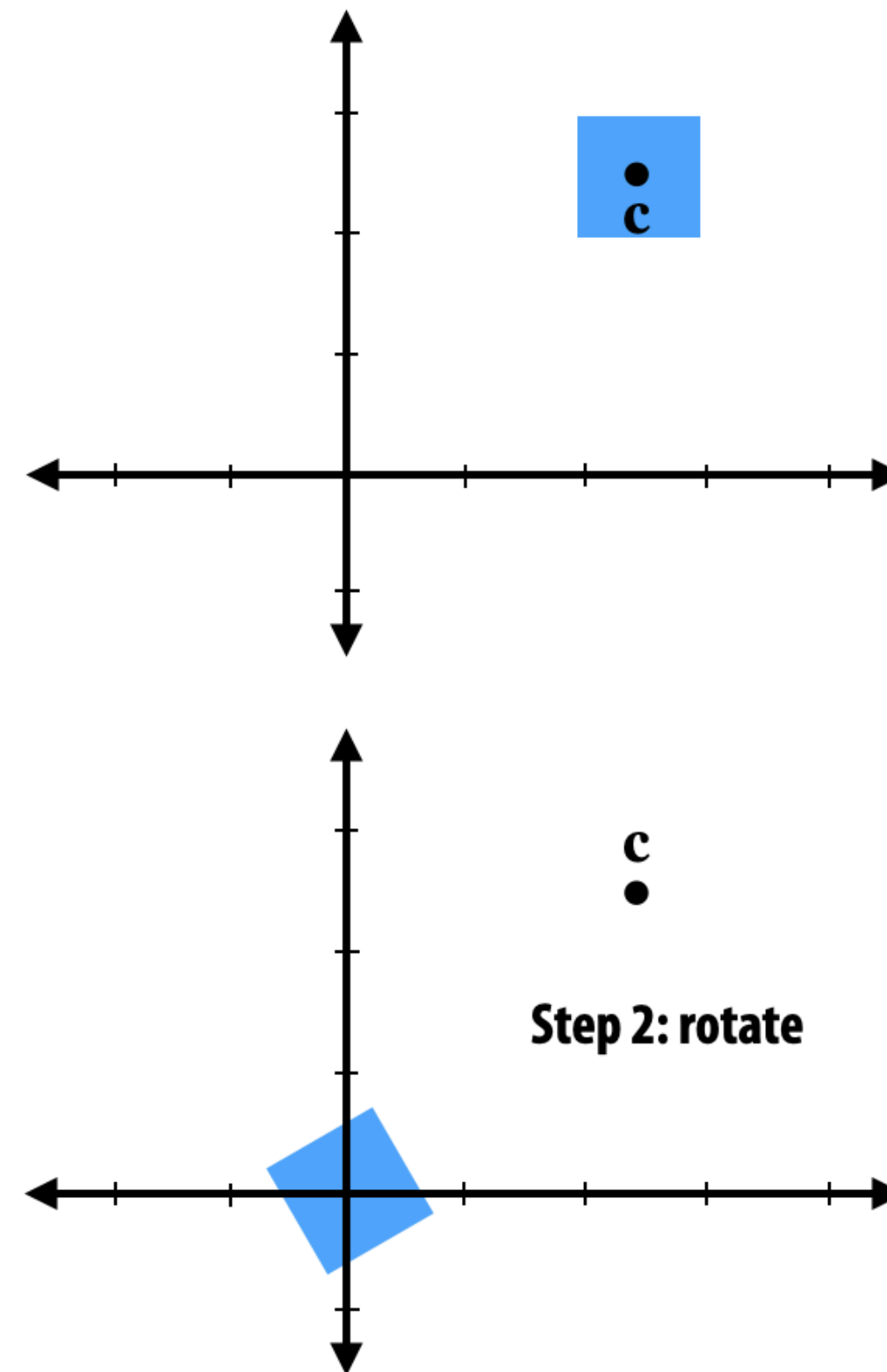
- Resulting transformation is

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{R})\mathbf{c}$$

- So that

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{R}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{c}$$



Rotations in 3D

Rotation about x axis:

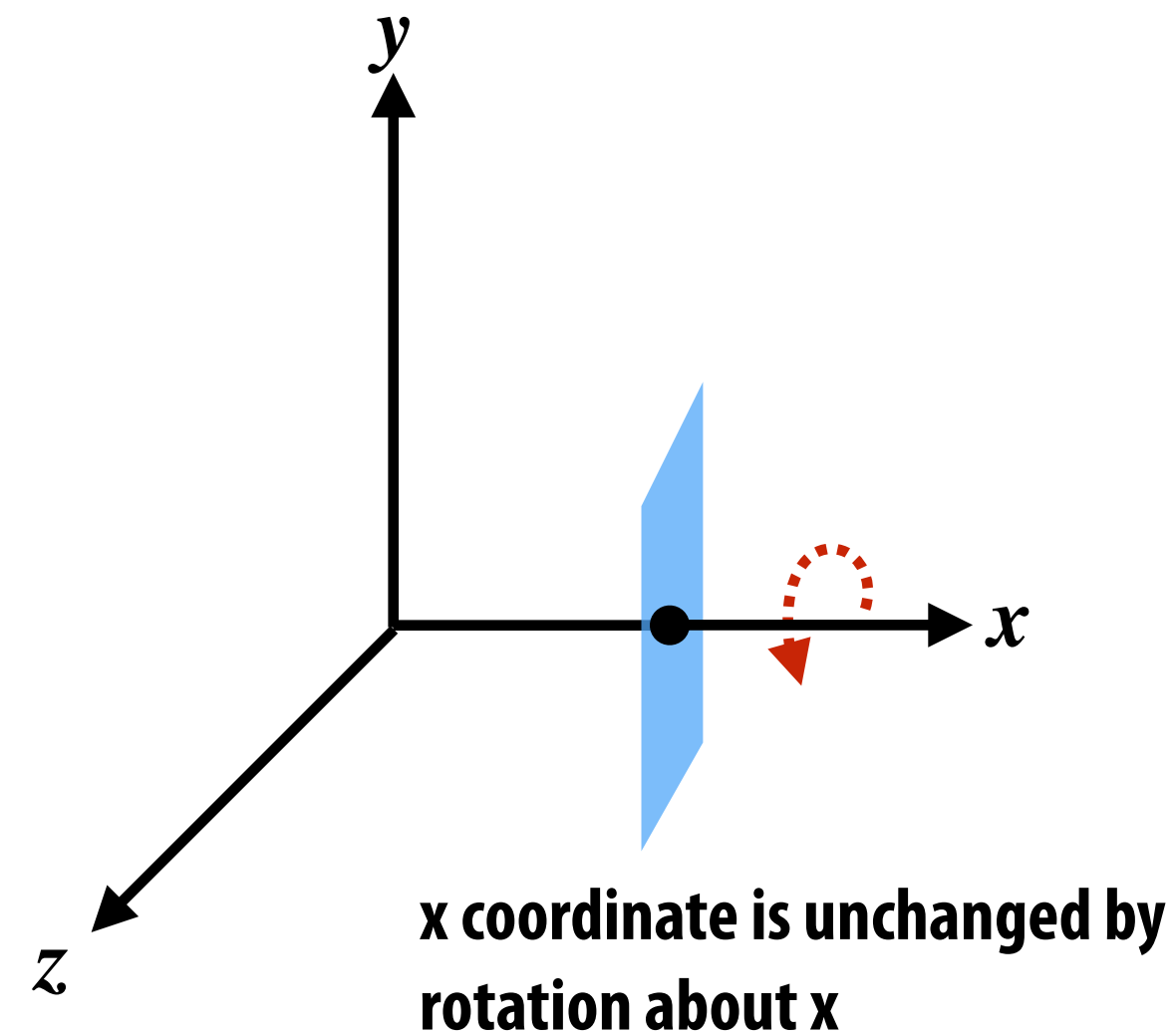
$$\mathbf{R}_{x,\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotation about y axis:

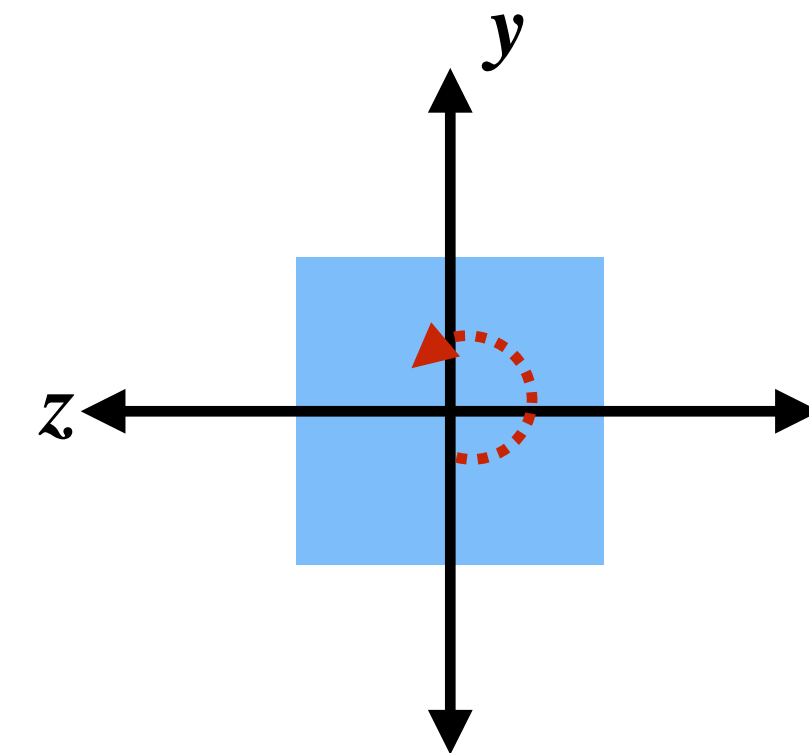
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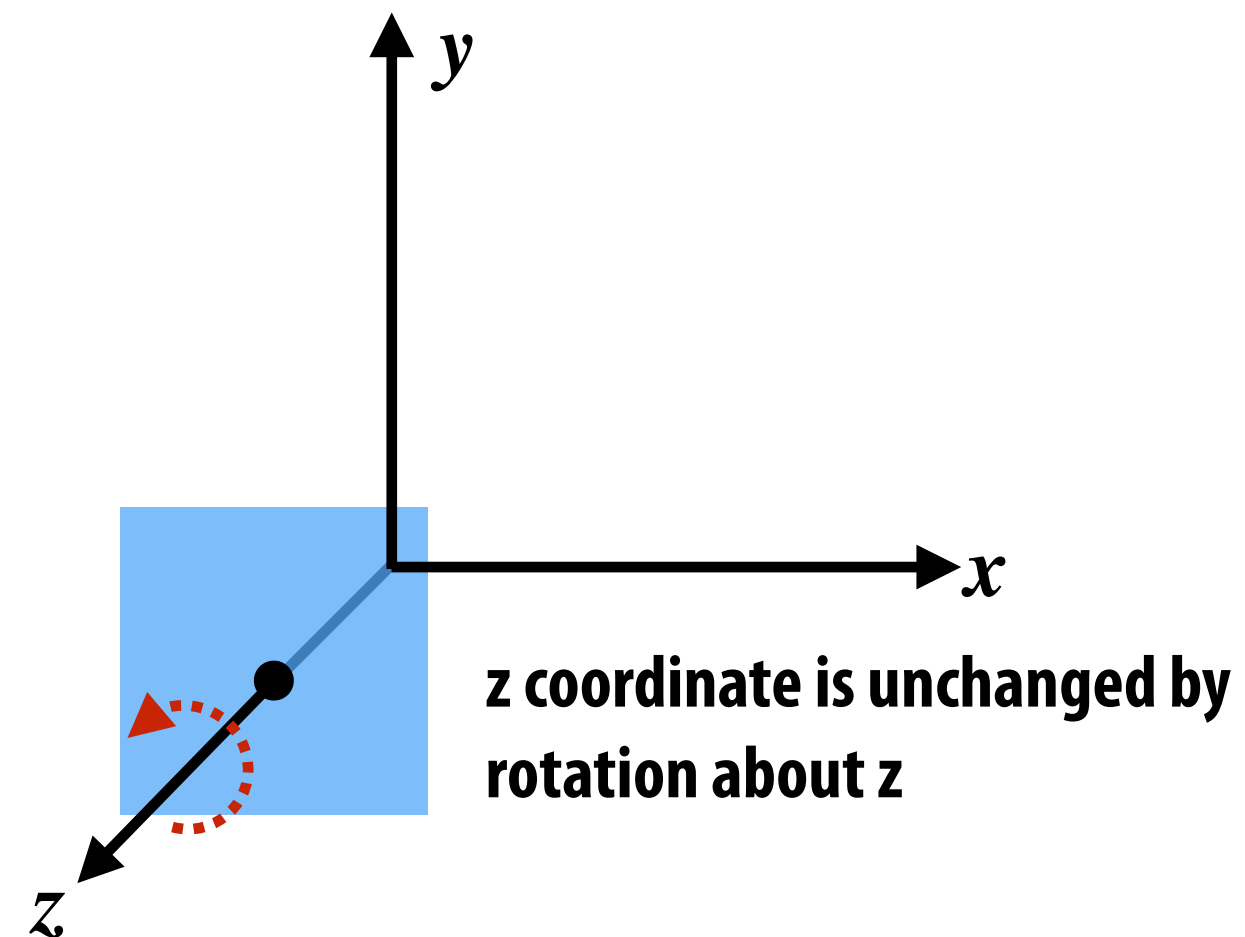
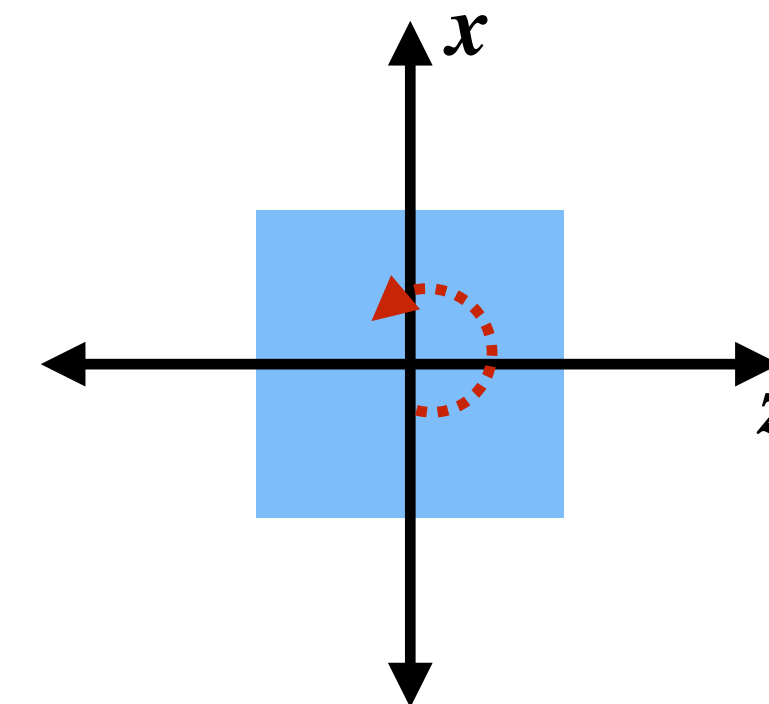
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View looking down -x axis:

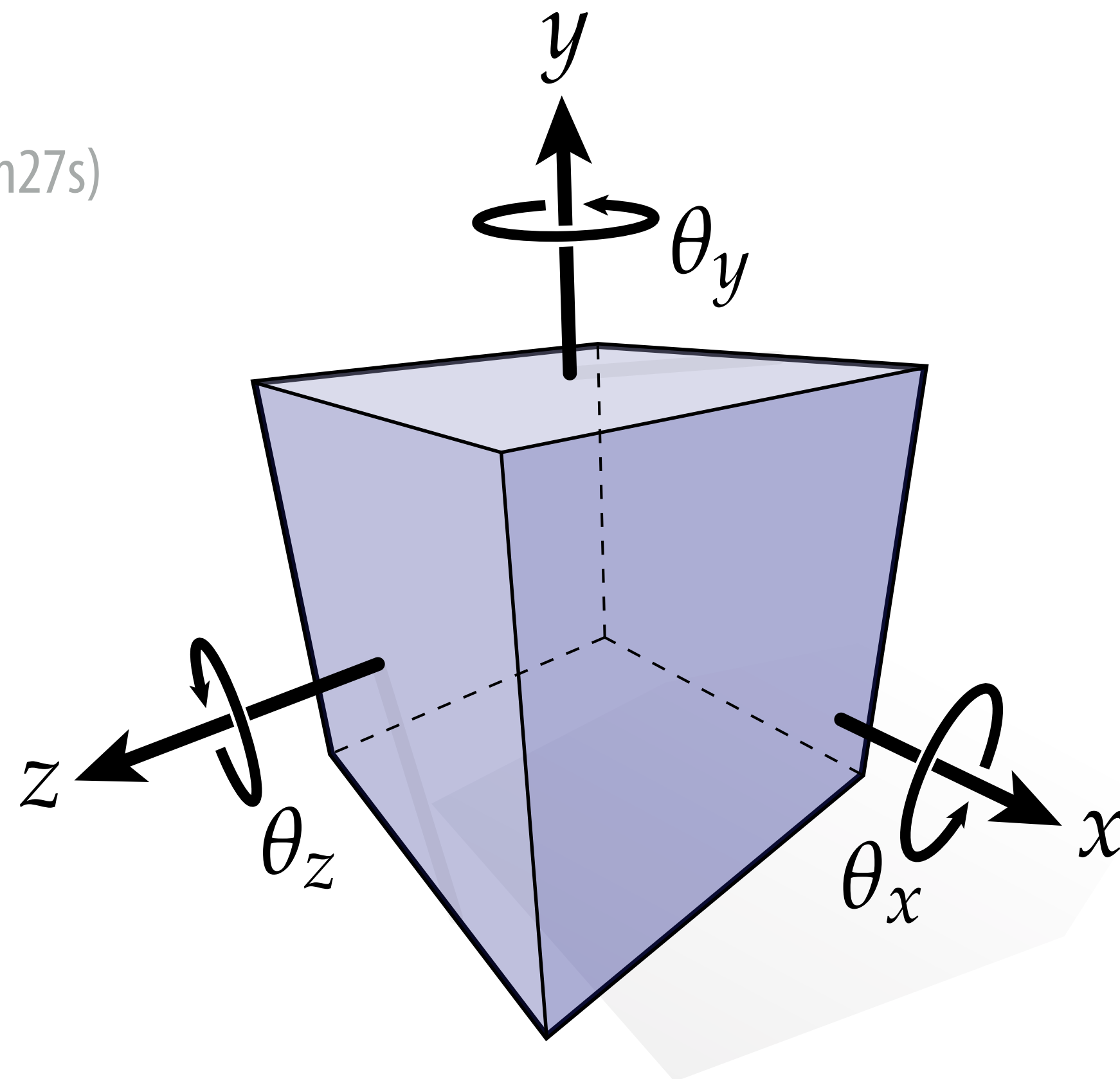
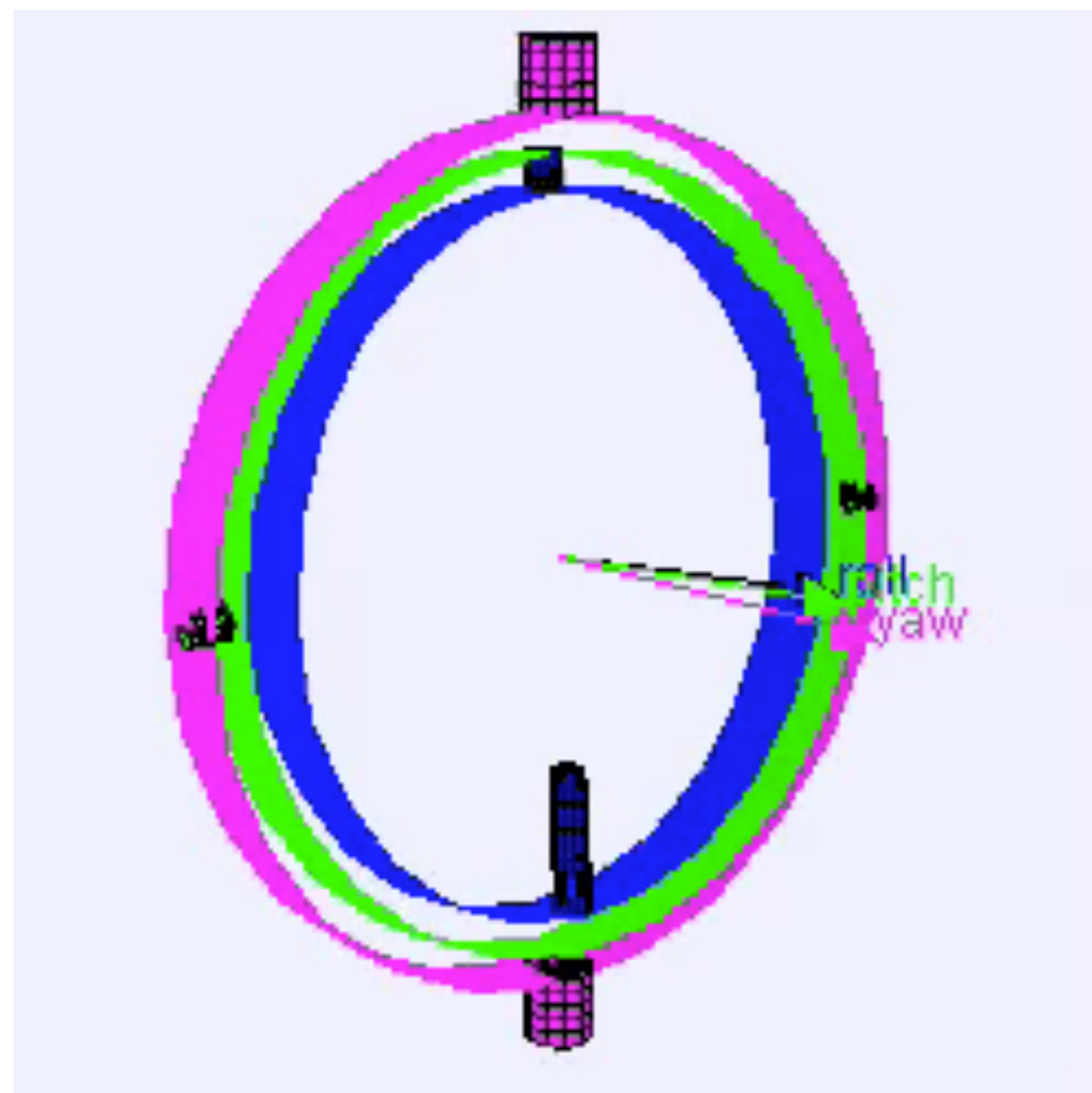


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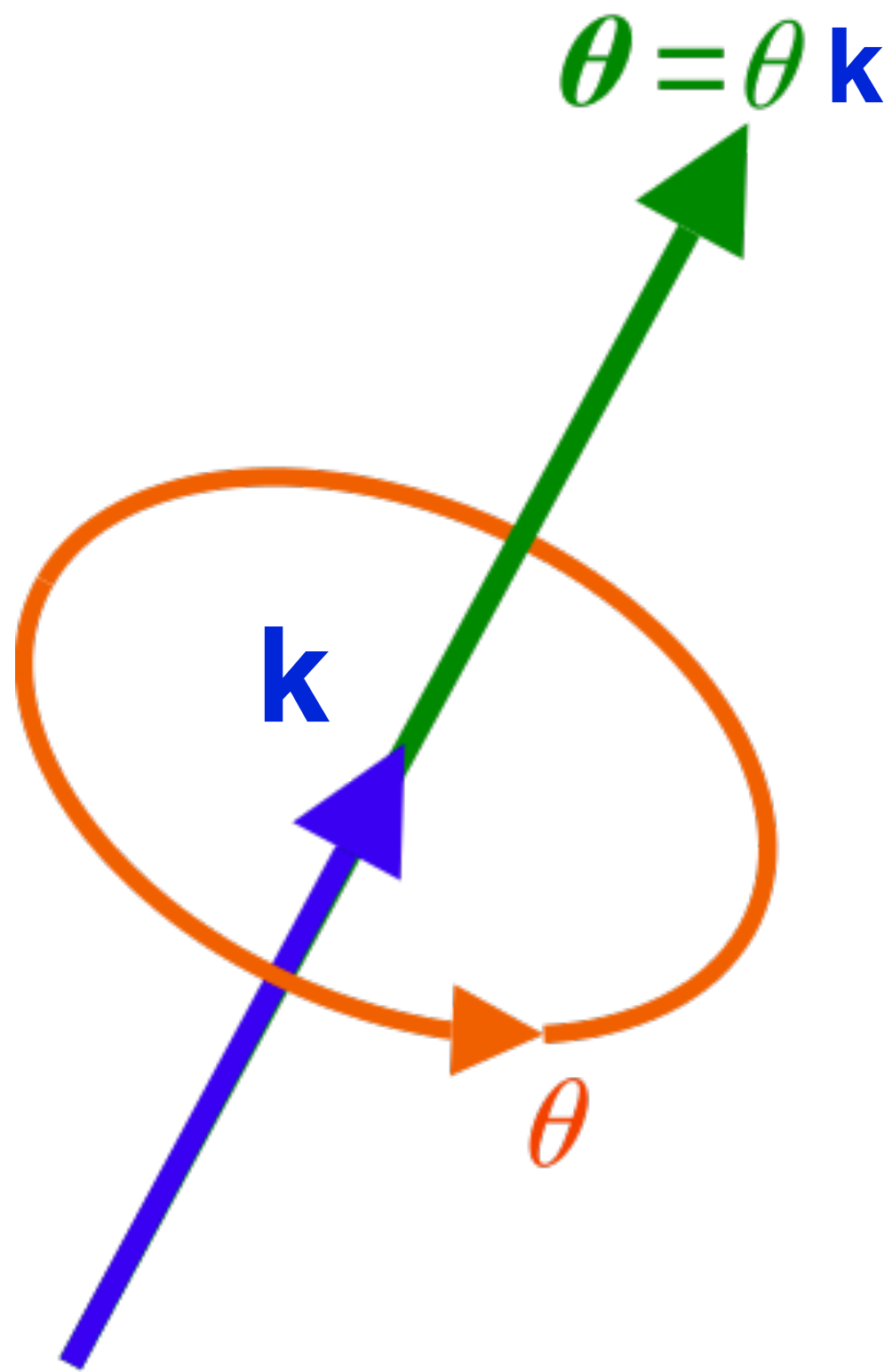
Representing rotations in 3D—Euler angles

- How do we express rotations in 3D?
- One idea: we know how to do 2D rotations
- Why not simply apply rotations around the three axes? (X,Y,Z)
- Scheme is called *Euler angles*
- **PROBLEM: “Gimbal Lock”** [\[YouTube Video\]](#) (1m20s-2m27s)



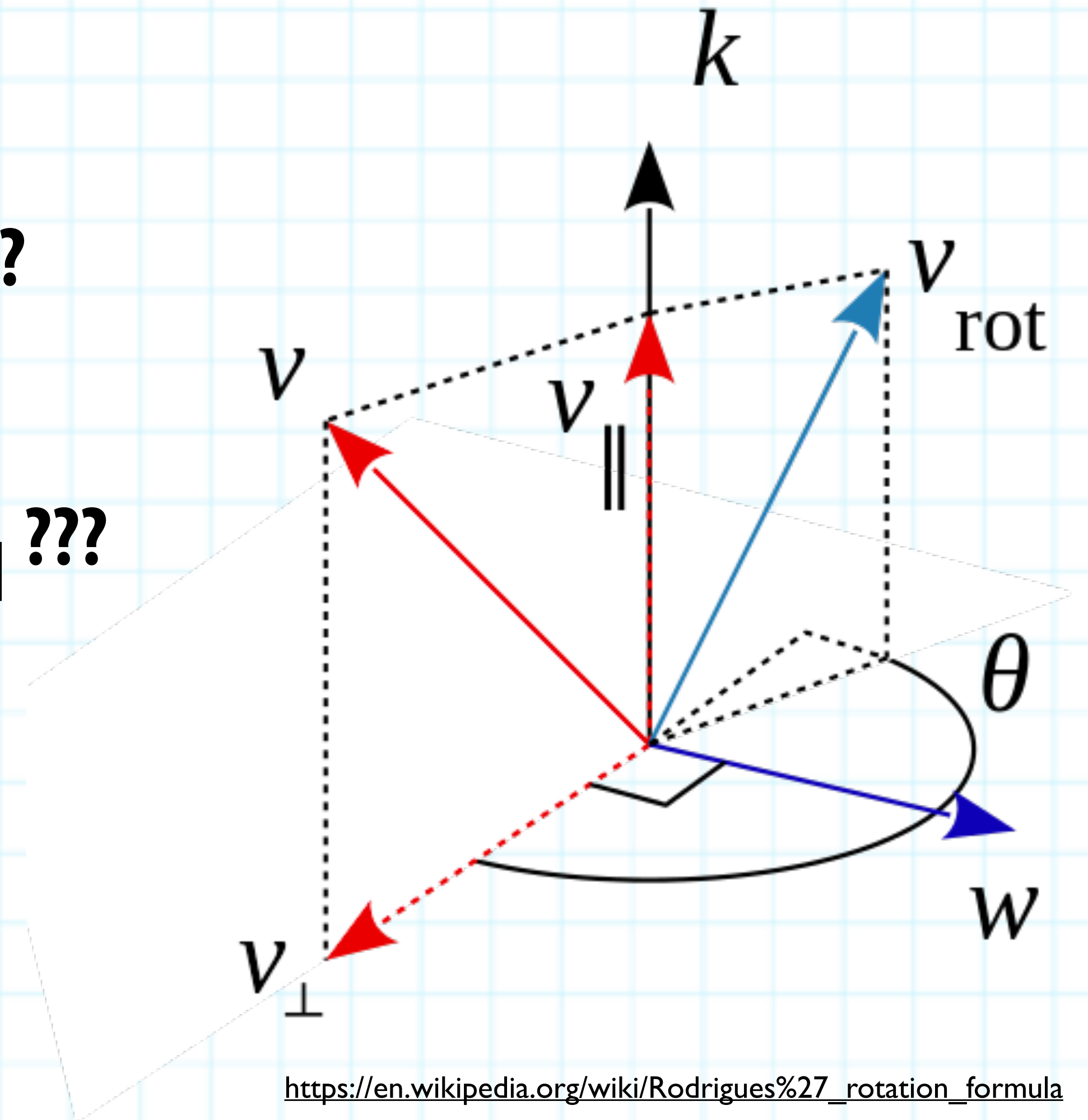
Alternative representations of 3D rotations

- Quaternions (Karen will cover later)
- Axis-angle rotations

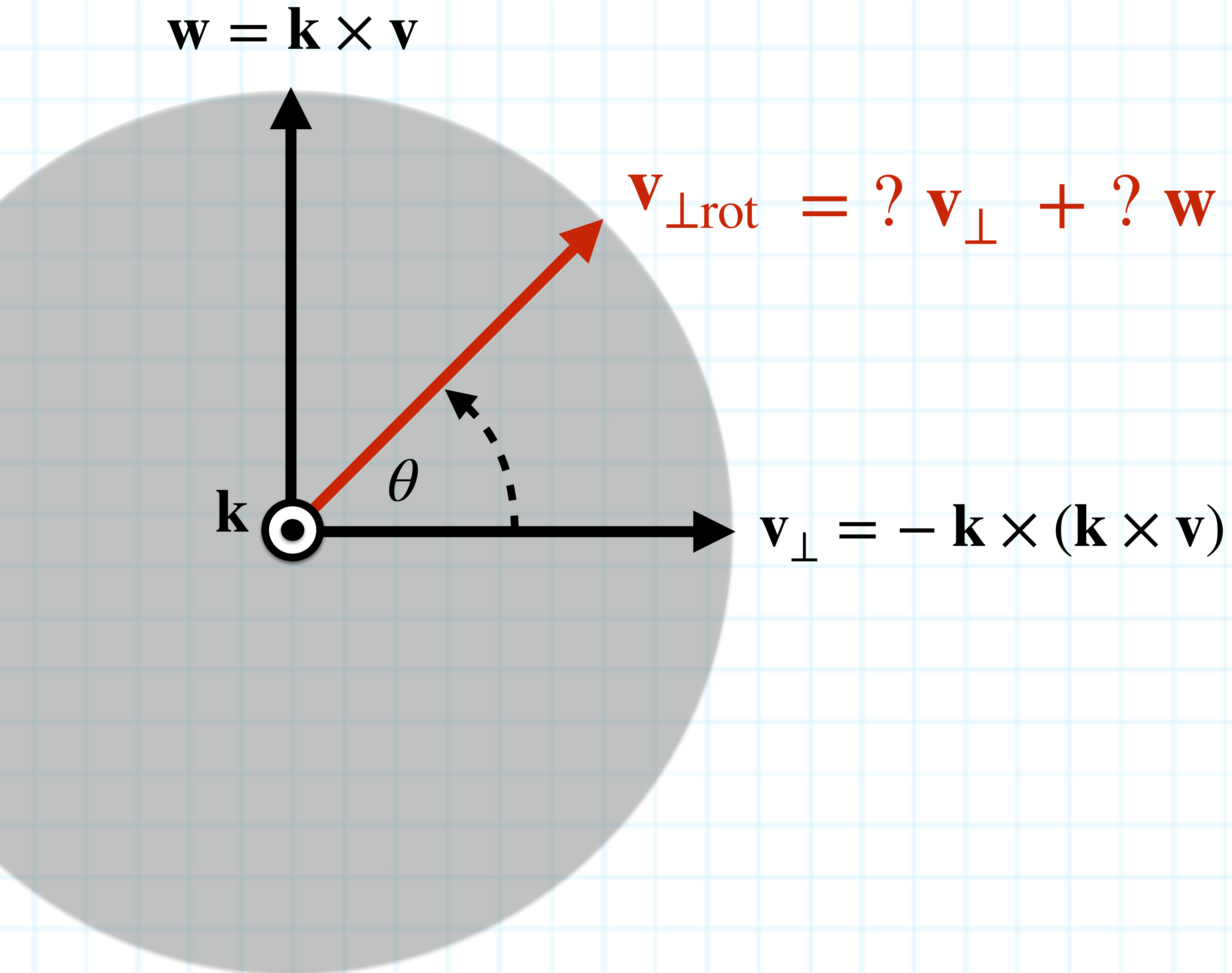


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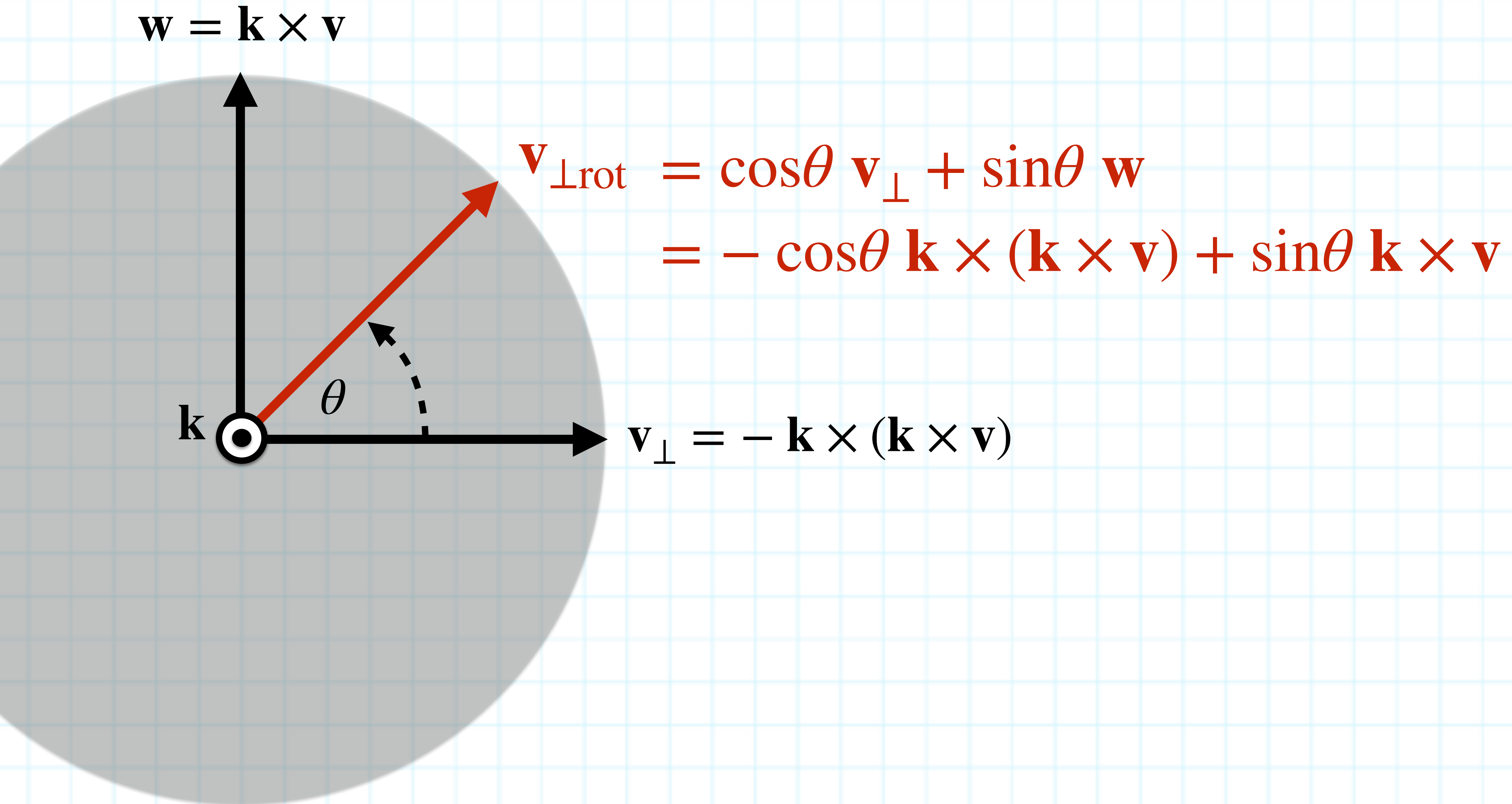
- Let's derive it! (It's actually not that hard)
- Consider the rotated vector, $\mathbf{v}_{\text{rot}} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{v}$
- What happens if \mathbf{v} is parallel to \mathbf{k} , e.g., $\mathbf{v}_{\parallel} = \alpha \mathbf{k}$?
 - Nothing! Since $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{k}$, then $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} = \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}$.
- What about the perpendicular part, $\mathbf{v}_{\perp} = \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_{\parallel}$???
- Just use 2D rotation on \mathbf{v}_{\perp} !
 - $\mathbf{v}_{\perp} = -\mathbf{k} \times (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v}) \xrightarrow{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{v}_{\perp \text{rot}} = ??$
 - $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v}$



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$$\mathbf{v}_{\text{rot}} = \mathbf{v}_{\parallel} + \mathbf{v}_{\perp\text{rot}}$$

$$= (\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}_{\perp}) + \mathbf{v}_{\perp\text{rot}}$$

$$= (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{k} \times (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v})) + (-\cos\theta \mathbf{k} \times (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v}) + \sin\theta \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v})$$

$$= \mathbf{v} + (1 - \cos\theta) \mathbf{k} \times (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v}) + \sin\theta \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{v}$$

$$= [\mathbf{I} + (1 - \cos\theta) \mathbf{K}^2 + \sin\theta \mathbf{K}] \mathbf{v} \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{K} \equiv "\mathbf{k} \times "$$

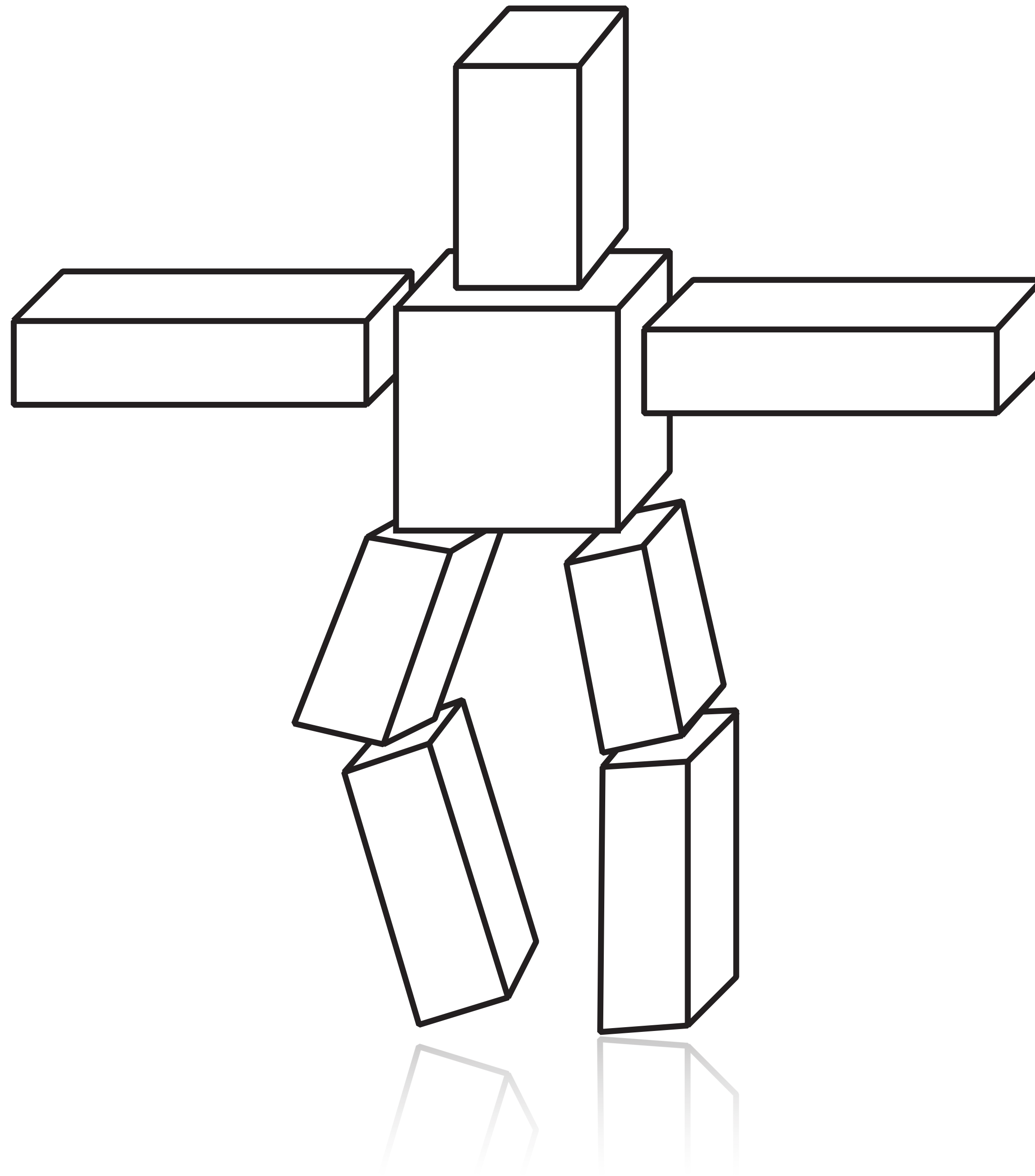
$$= \mathbf{R} \mathbf{v}$$



$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -k_z & k_y \\ k_z & 0 & -k_x \\ -k_y & k_x & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We just derived the famous Rodrigues' Formula!!!

Let's make a cube person...



Skeleton - hierarchical representation

torso

head

right arm

upper arm

lower arm

hand

left arm

upper arm

lower arm

hand

right leg

upper leg

lower leg

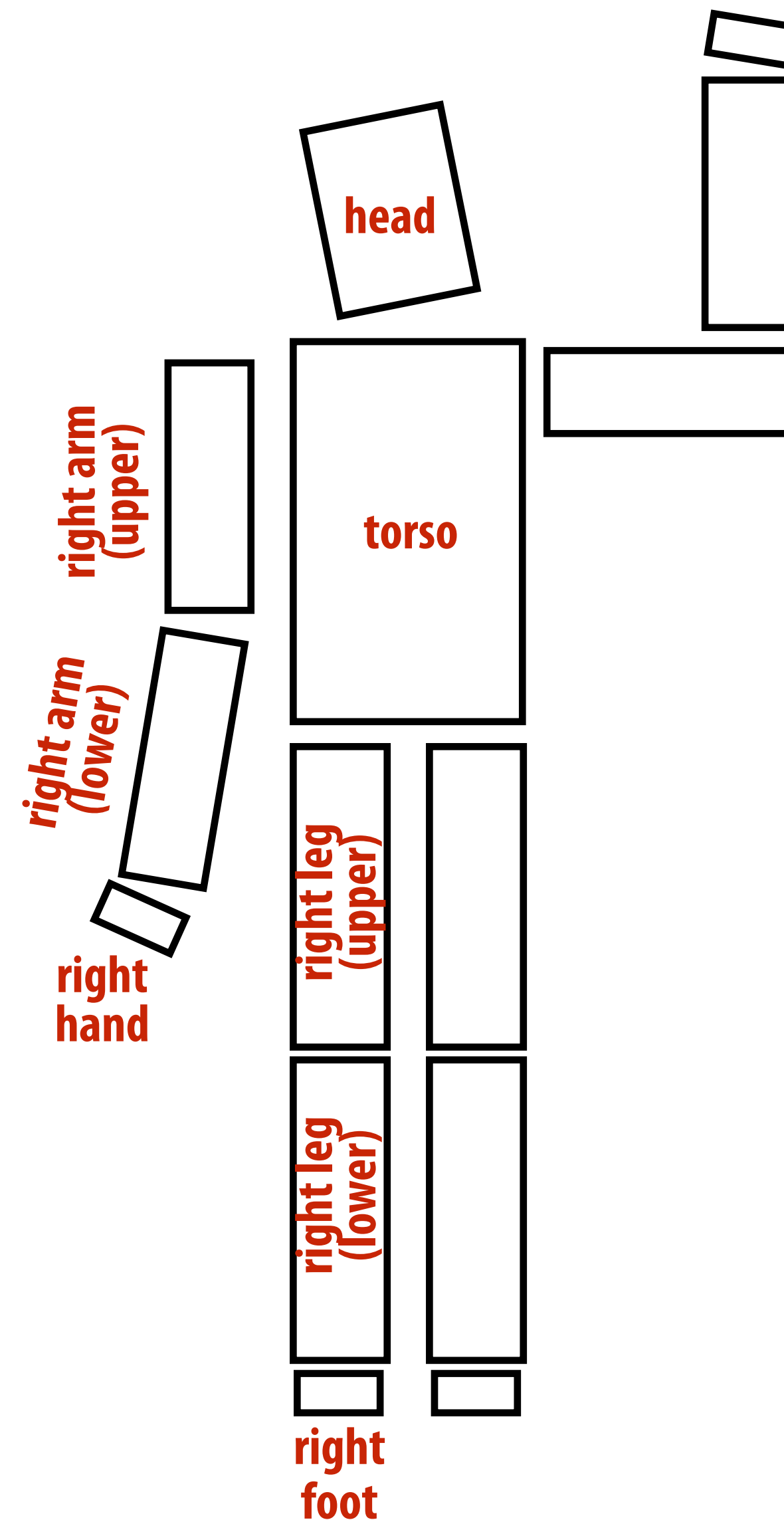
foot

left leg

upper leg

lower leg

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Hierarchical representation

■ Grouped representation (tree)

- Each group contains subgroups and/or shapes
- Each group is associated with a transform *relative to parent group*
- Transform on leaf-node shape is concatenation of all transforms on path from root node to leaf
- Changing a group's transform affects all descendent parts
 - Allows high level editing by changing only one node
 - E.g., raising left arm requires changing only one transform for that group

Skeleton - hierarchical representation

```
translate(0, 10); // person centered at (0,10)
```

```
drawTorso();
```

```
pushmatrix(); // push a copy of transform onto stack  
translate(0, 5); // right-multiply onto current transform  
rotate(headRotation); // right-multiply onto current transform  
drawHead();
```

```
popmatrix(); // pop current transform off stack
```

```
pushmatrix();  
translate(-2, 3);  
rotate(rightShoulderRotation);  
drawUpperArm();
```

```
pushmatrix();  
translate(0, -3);  
rotate(elbowRotation);  
drawLowerArm();
```

```
pushmatrix();  
translate(0, -3);  
rotate(wristRotation);  
drawHand();
```

```
popmatrix();
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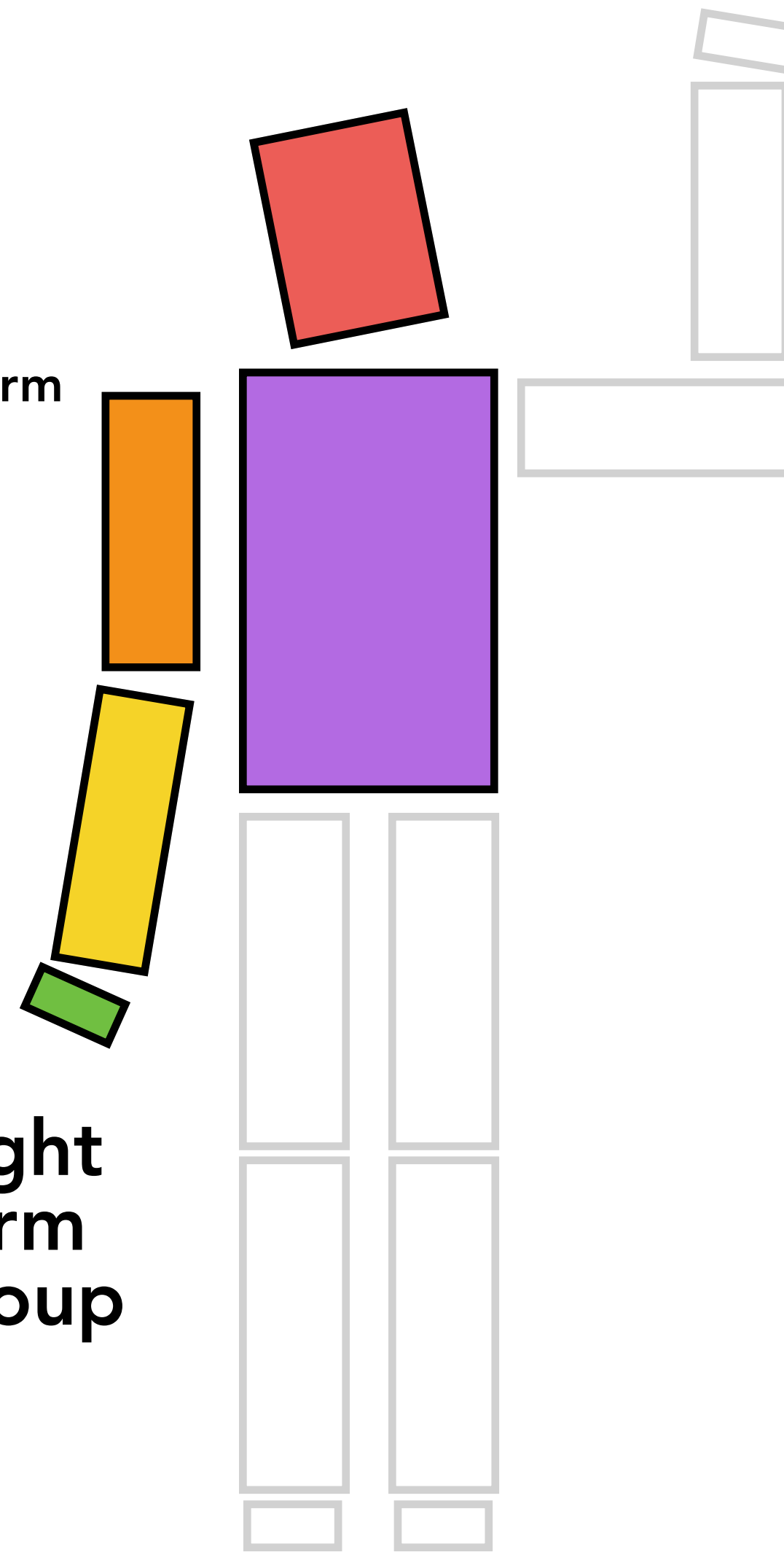
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....
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right
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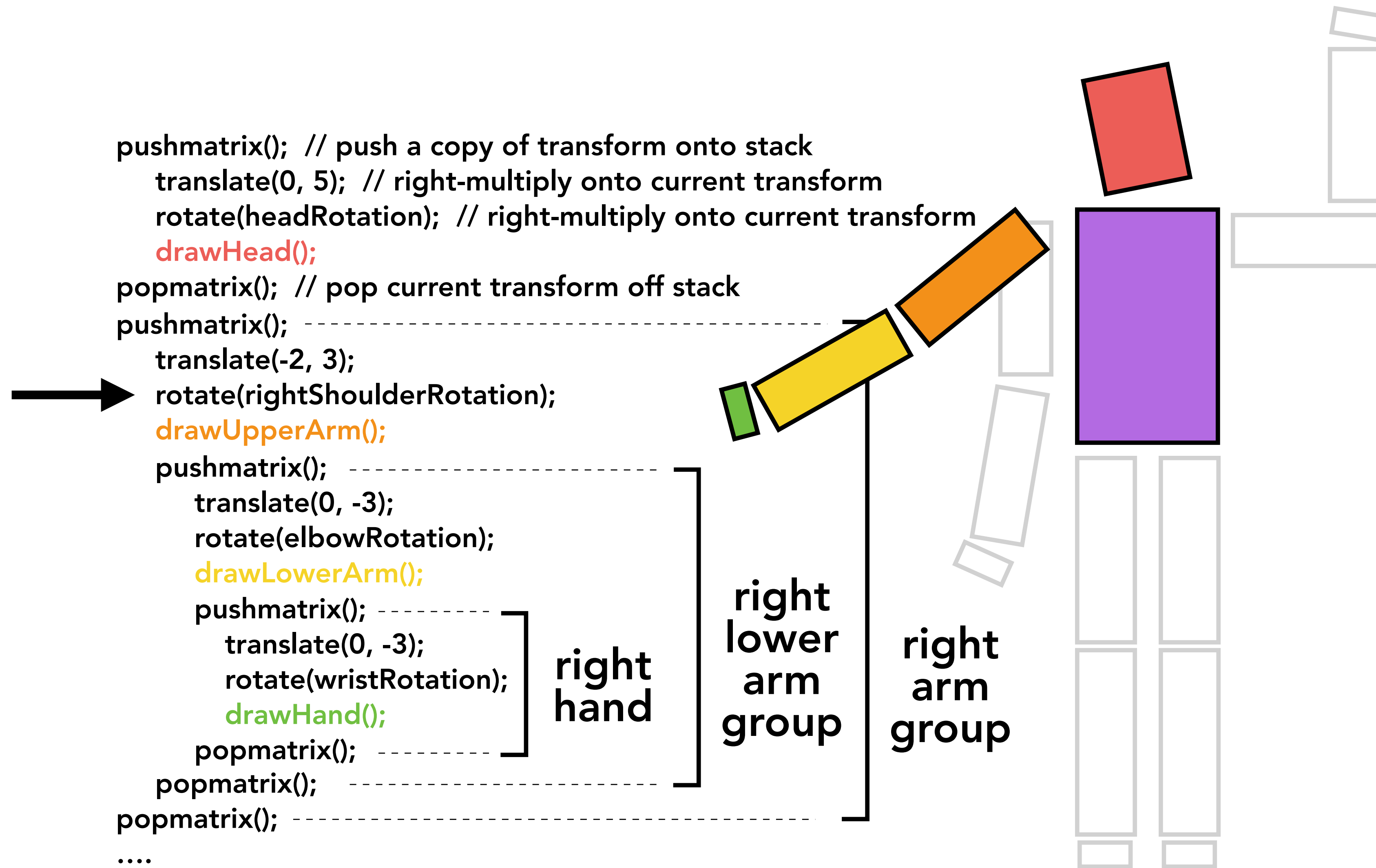
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Transformations in OpenProcessing

- <https://p5js.org/reference/>

Transform

`applyMatrix()`

`resetMatrix()`

`rotate()`

`rotateX()`

`rotateY()`

`rotateZ()`

`scale()`

`shearX()`

`shearY()`

`translate()`

`push()`

`pop()`

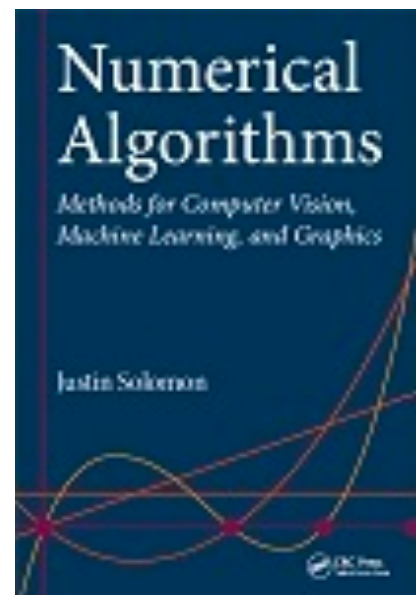
Ordinary Differential Equations (ODEs)

- Initial value problems (IVPs)

- Common in animation

- Some slides from CS205A on Introduction to ODEs

- More on time-stepping methods next class (some for end of HW1)
- Textbook reference:



- Solomon, Justin. Numerical Algorithms. Textbook published by AK Peters/CRC Press, 2015

Next Class: Particle Systems

Ordinary Differential Equations I

CS 205A:
Mathematical Methods for Robotics, Vision, and Graphics

Doug James (and Justin Solomon)

Today: Initial Value Problems

Find $f(t) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

Satisfying $F[t, f(t), f'(t), f''(t), \dots, f^{(k)}(t)] = 0$

Given $f(0), f'(0), f''(0), \dots, f^{(k-1)}(0)$

Most Famous Example

$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

Newton's second law

$\vec{F}(t, \vec{x}, \vec{x}')$ usual expression of force
 n particles \implies simulation in \mathbb{R}^{3n}

Examples of ODEs

- ▶ $y' = 1 + \cos t$: solved by integrating both sides
- ▶ $y' = ay$: linear in y , no dependence on t
- ▶ $y' = ay + e^t$: time and value-dependent
- ▶ $y'' + 3y' - y = t$: multiple derivatives of y
- ▶ $y'' \sin y = e^{ty'}$: nonlinear in y and t

Reasonable Assumption

Explicit ODE

An ODE is *explicit* if can be written in the form

$$f^{(k)}(t) = F[t, f(t), f'(t), f''(t), \dots, f^{(k-1)}(t)].$$

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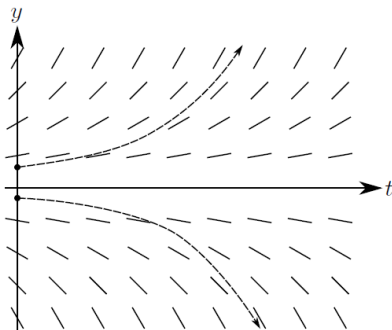
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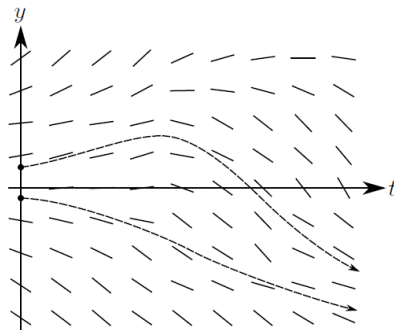
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$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y \\ z \\ w \end{pmatrix}$$

Time Dependence

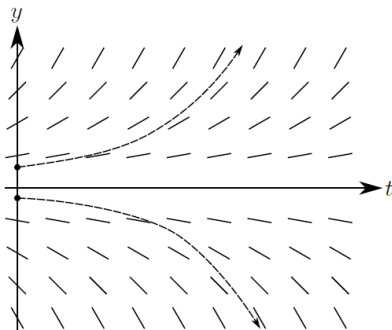


Time-independent

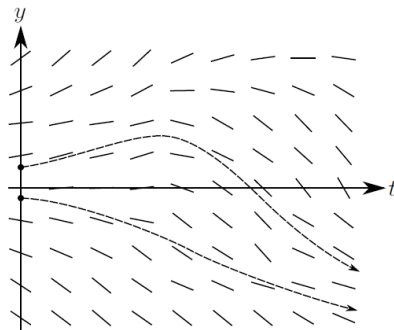


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Visualization: Slope field

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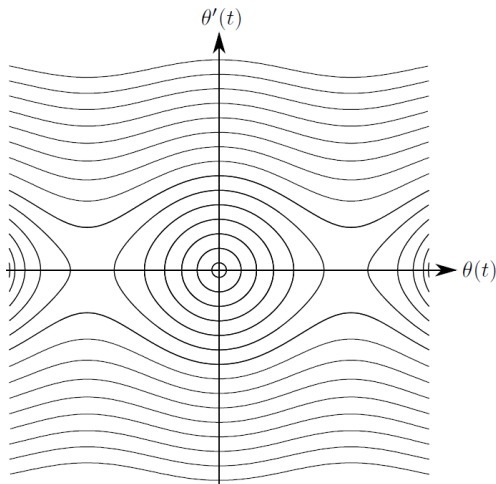
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$$g'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} f'(t) \\ \bar{g}'(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F[f(t), \bar{g}(t)] \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Visualization: Phase Space



$$\theta'' = -\sin \theta$$

Existence and Uniqueness

Theorem: Local existence and uniqueness

Suppose F is continuous and Lipschitz, that is,
 $\|F[\vec{y}] - F[\vec{x}]\|_2 \leq L\|\vec{y} - \vec{x}\|_2$ for some fixed $L \geq 0$.
Then, the ODE $f'(t) = F[f(t)]$ admits exactly one
solution for all $t \geq 0$ regardless of initial conditions.

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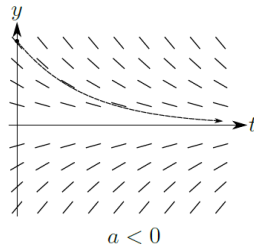
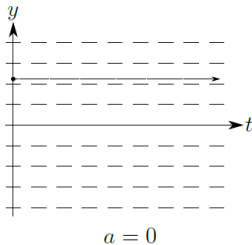
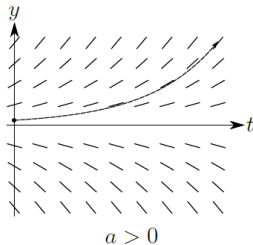
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$$\implies y(t) = Ce^{at}$$

Stability: Visualization



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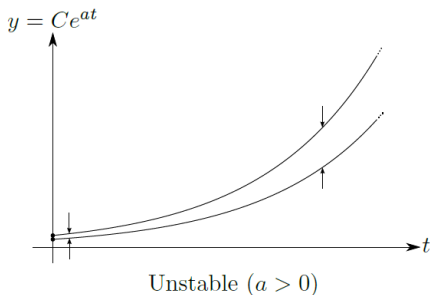
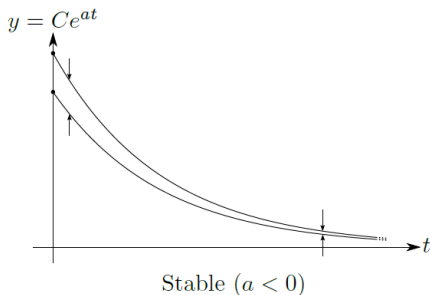
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3. $a > 0$: Unstable; mistakes in initial data amplified

Intuition for Stability

An *unstable* ODE magnifies mistakes in the initial conditions $y(0)$.



Multidimensional Case

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Stability depends on $\max_i \lambda_i$.

Integration Strategies

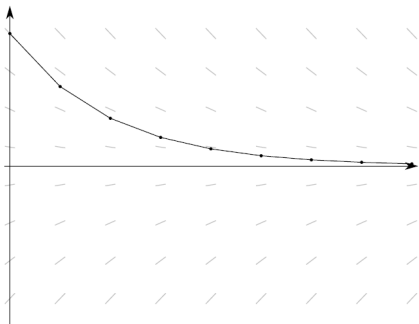
Given \vec{y}_k at time t_k , generate \vec{y}_{k+1} assuming
 $\vec{y}' = F[\vec{y}]$.

Forward Euler

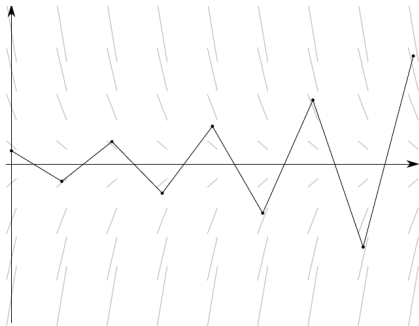
$$\vec{y}_{k+1} = \vec{y}_k + hF[\vec{y}_k]$$

- ▶ Explicit method
- ▶ $O(h^2)$ localized truncation error
- ▶ $O(h)$ global truncation error;
“first order accurate”

Forward Euler: Stability



Stable ($a = -0.4$)



Unstable ($a = -2.3$)

Model Equation

$$y' = ay \longrightarrow y_{k+1} = (1 + ah)y_k$$

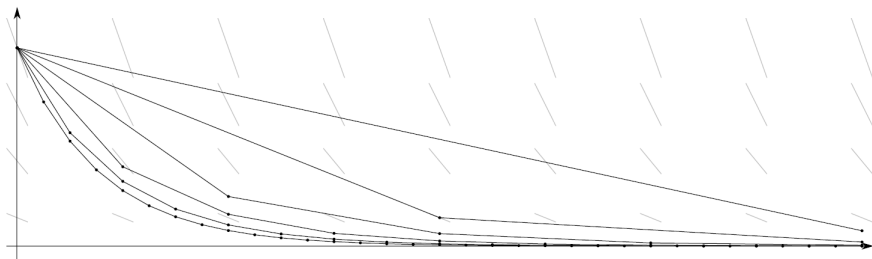
For $a < 0$, stable when $h < \frac{2}{|a|}$.

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Good for *stiff* equations.

Numerical Stiffness for IVP ODEs

An IVP is said to be numerically “stiff” if stability requirements dictate a much smaller time step size than is needed to satisfy the approximation requirements alone.

[Ascher & Petzold 1998]

Forward and Backward Euler on Linear ODE

$$\vec{y}' = A\vec{y}$$

- ▶ Forward Euler: $\vec{y}_{k+1} = (I + hA)\vec{y}_k$
- ▶ Backward Euler: $\vec{y}_{k+1} = (I - hA)^{-1}\vec{y}_k$

▶ Next