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prerequisites: Calc I, II : derivatives, integrals etc.

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- students with disabilities

Text: Early Transcendentals, by Rogawski

§12.1 2d vectors

scalar / number

size / magnitude only

examples: 7
-4.3
etc.

length

examples: temperature

pressure

time

speed = length of
velocity vector

notation: $\pi \in \mathbb{R}$
 $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$

vector

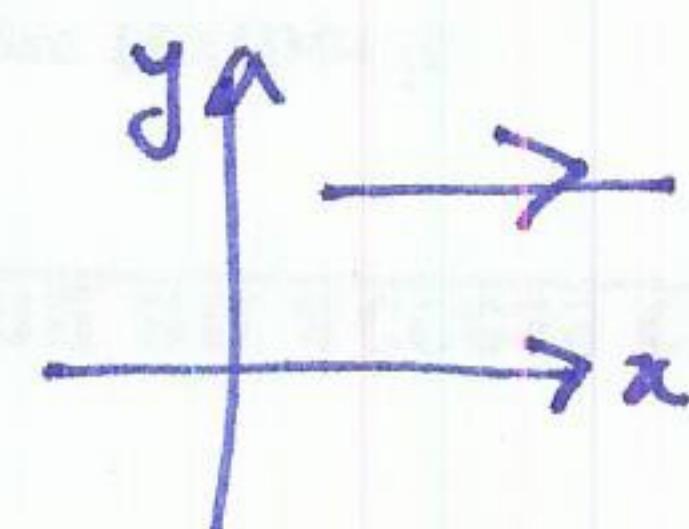
size and direction

examples: $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \leftarrow$ length and
direction

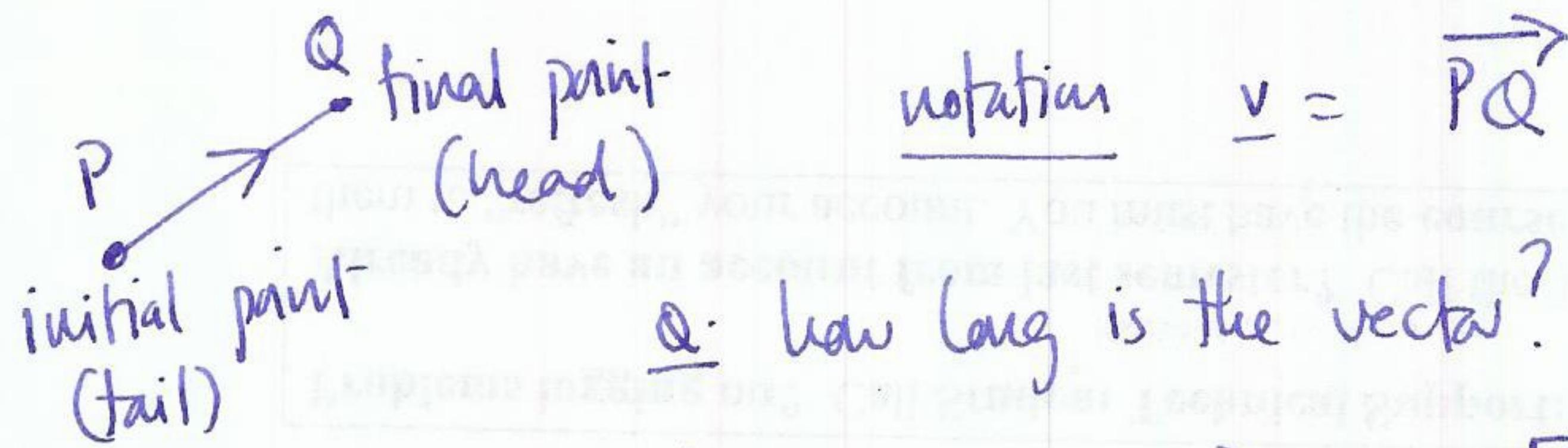
examples: force
velocity.

notation: \underline{v}, \vec{v}

"Length 4 in direction of
x-axis"



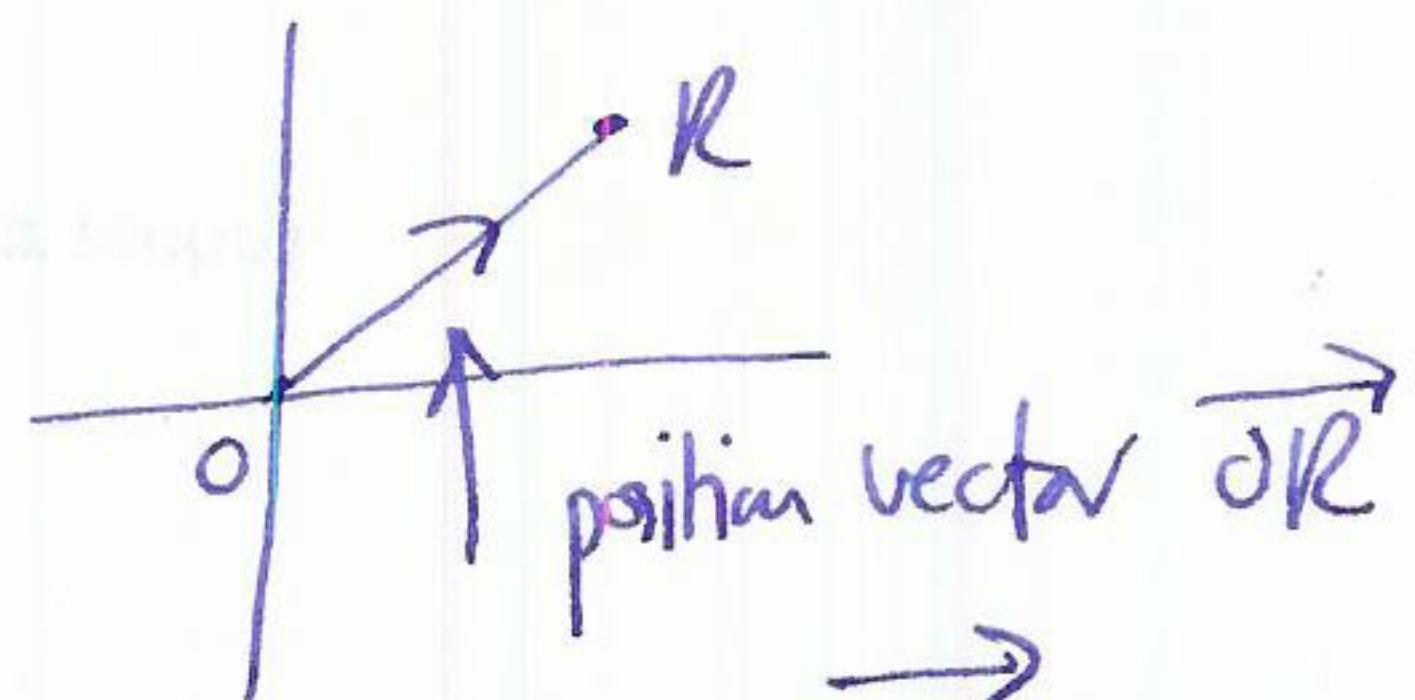
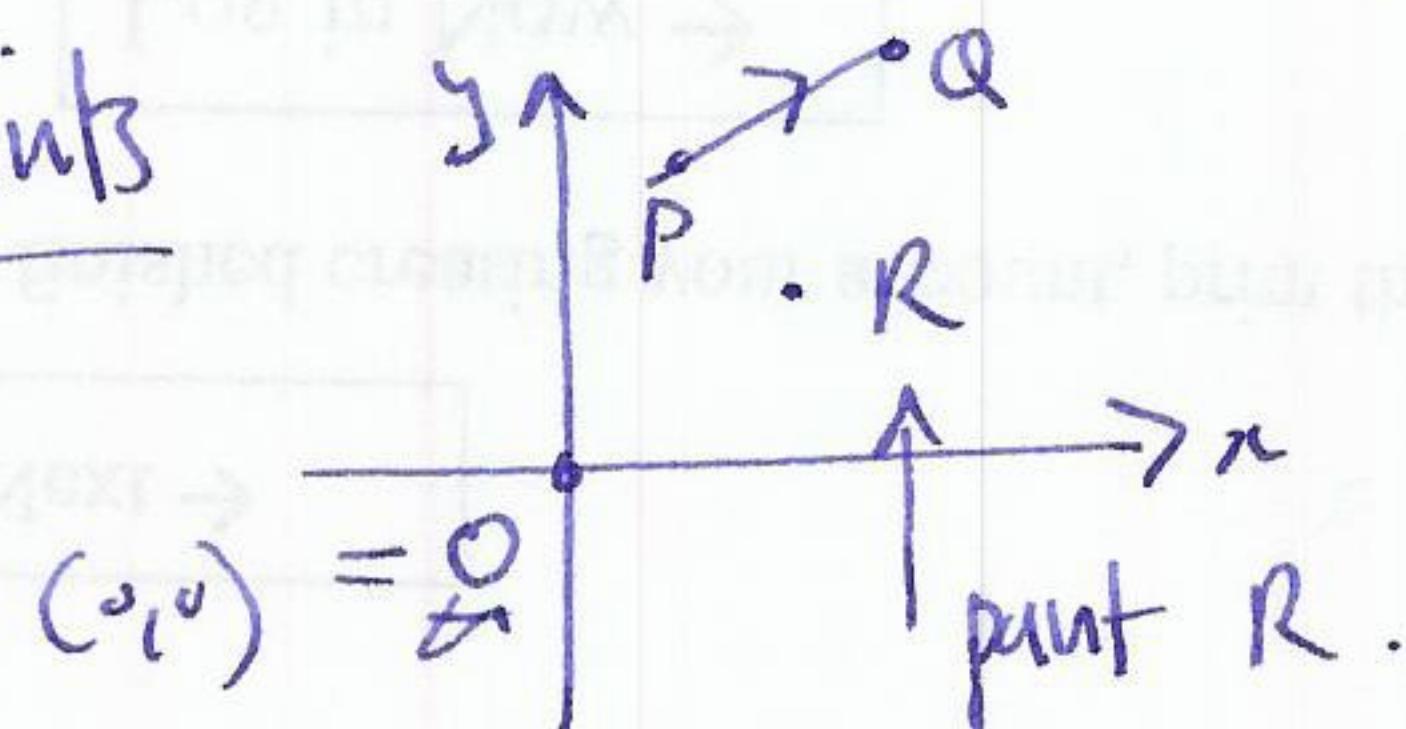
a vector \underline{v} is determined by its initial and final points.



Q: how long is the vector?

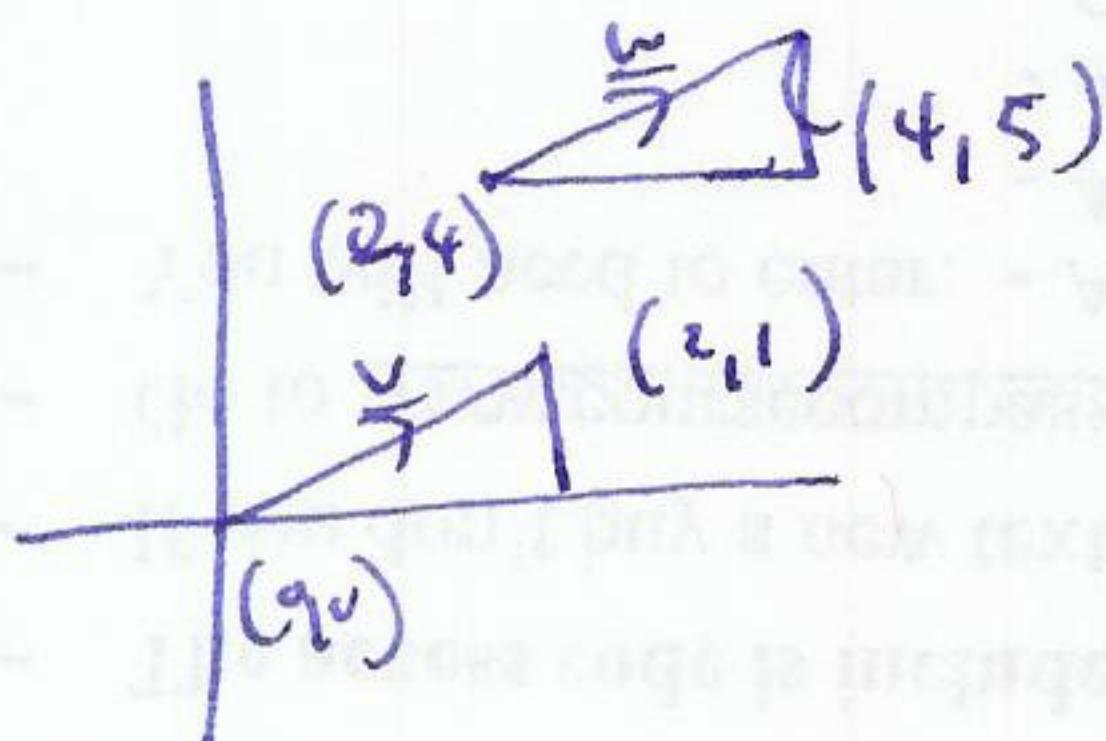
A: $\|\underline{v}\| = \|\overrightarrow{PQ}\| = \sqrt{(a_2 - a_1)^2 + (b_2 - b_1)^2}$.

vectors vs points



every point R corresponds to a special position vector

- two vectors \underline{v} and \underline{w} are parallel if the lines through \underline{v} and \underline{w} have the same direction
 - i.e. $\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ have same or opposite direction
- two vectors $\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ are translates if they have same (not opposite) direction and length, but different base points.

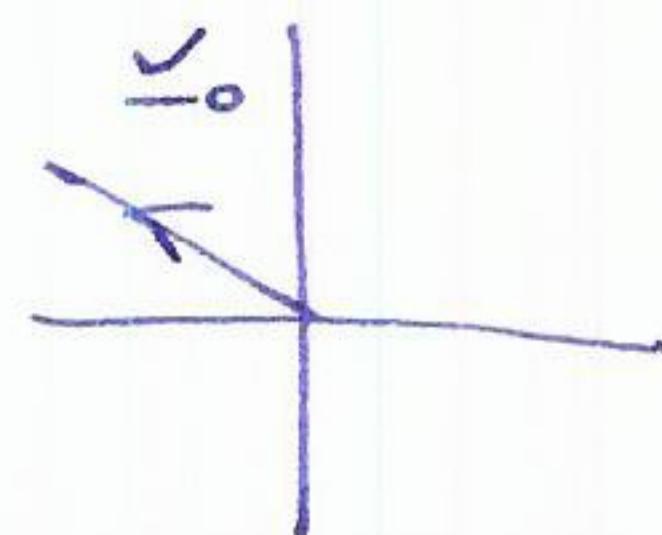
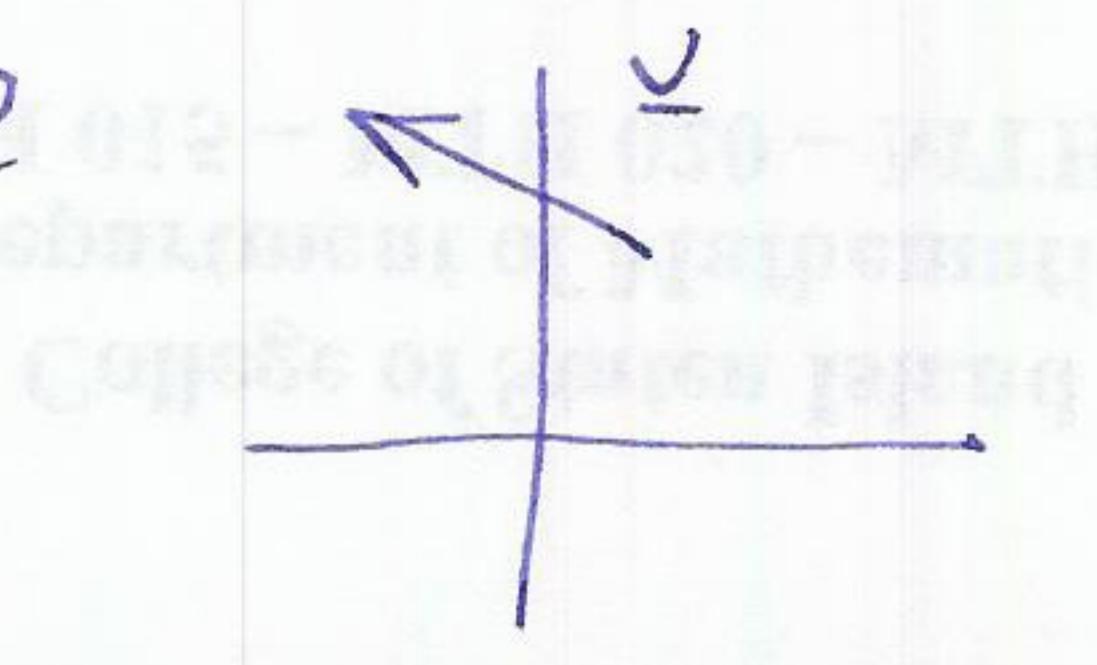


translates.

we say \underline{v} and \underline{w} are equivalent (or equal) if \underline{v} and \underline{w} are translates of each other.

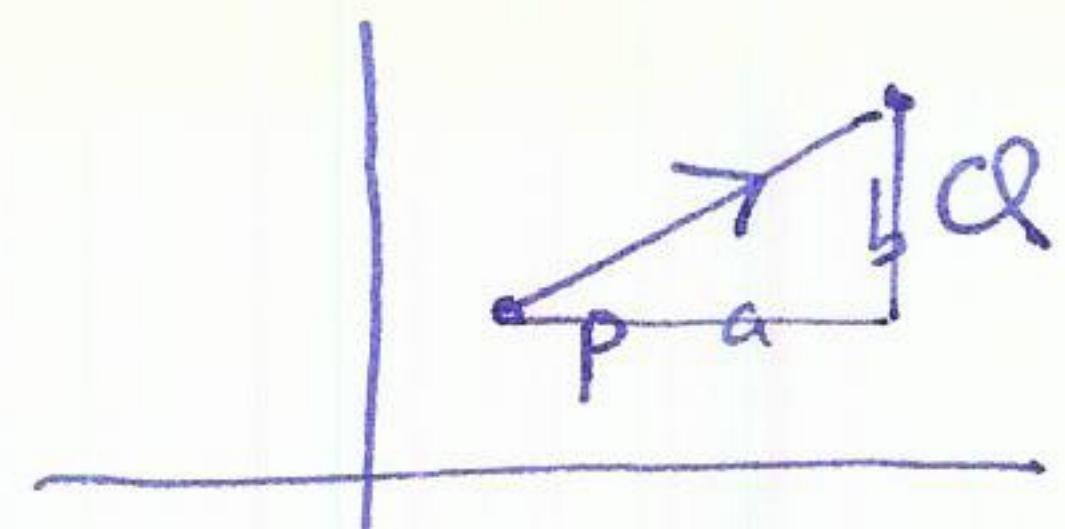
Observation: every vector \underline{v} is equivalent to a unique vector \underline{v}_0

based at the origin O



Defⁿ components of a vector. $\underline{v} = \overrightarrow{PQ}$

where $P = (a_1, b_1)$ $Q = (a_2, b_2)$



then the components of \underline{v} are $a = a_2 - a_1$, x-component

$b = b_2 - b_1$, y-component
notation: $\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$

Observation: - $\|\underline{v}\| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

- components $\langle a, b \rangle$ determine length and direction
so two vectors are equivalent \Leftrightarrow they have the same components.
- $\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$ does not determine basepoint.

Convention: all vectors are based at the origin O unless otherwise stated.

Special vector: $\underline{0} = \langle 0, 0 \rangle$. zero vector.

Example A vector \underline{v} has length 4, lies in 1st quadrant and makes an angle of 45° with the x-axis. Find the components of \underline{v} . $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times 4\sqrt{2}$

Vector addition and scalar multiplication

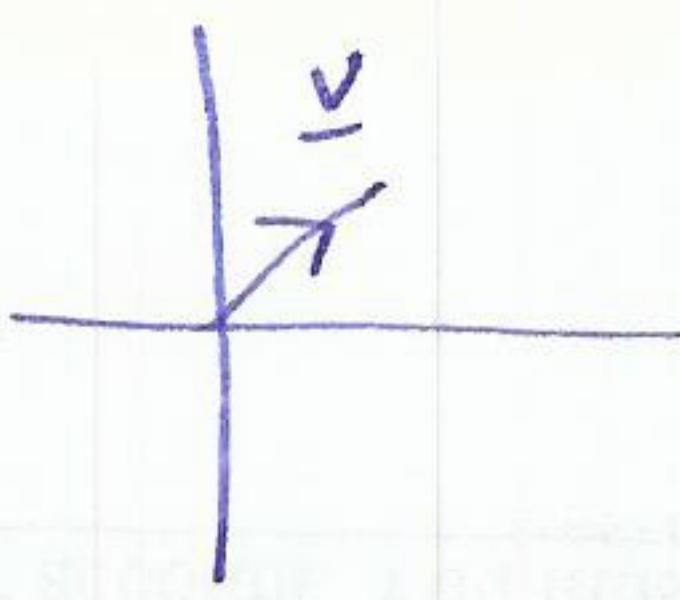
scalar multiplication: $\begin{cases} \text{x scalar/number} \\ \text{v vector} \end{cases}$

$x > 0$

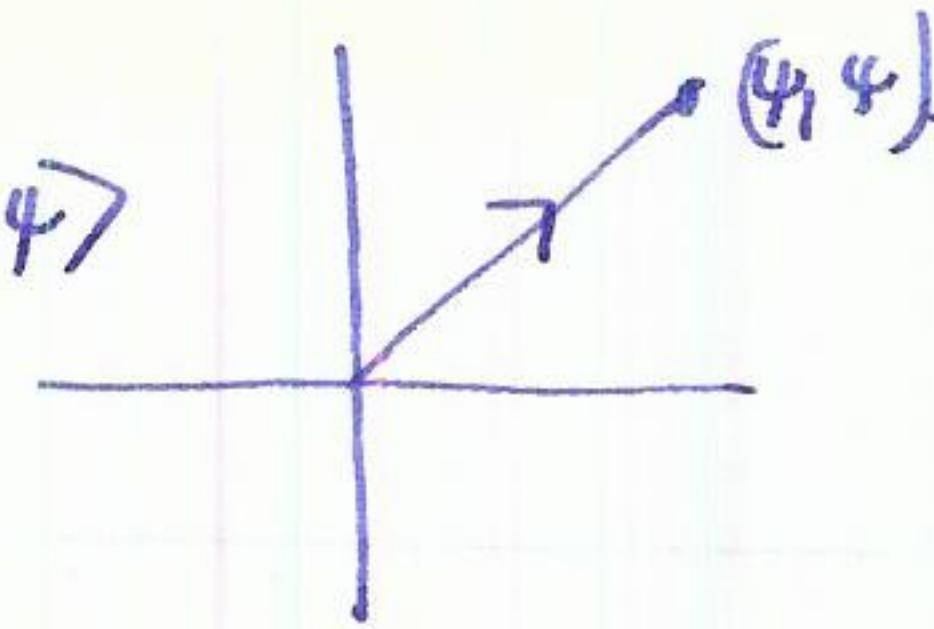
$x\underline{v}$ is vector with same direction as \underline{v} , but length $x\|\underline{v}\|$.
if $x < 0$ $x\|\underline{v}\|$.

Example

$$\underline{v} = \langle 1, 1 \rangle$$



$$4\underline{v} = \langle 4, 4 \rangle$$

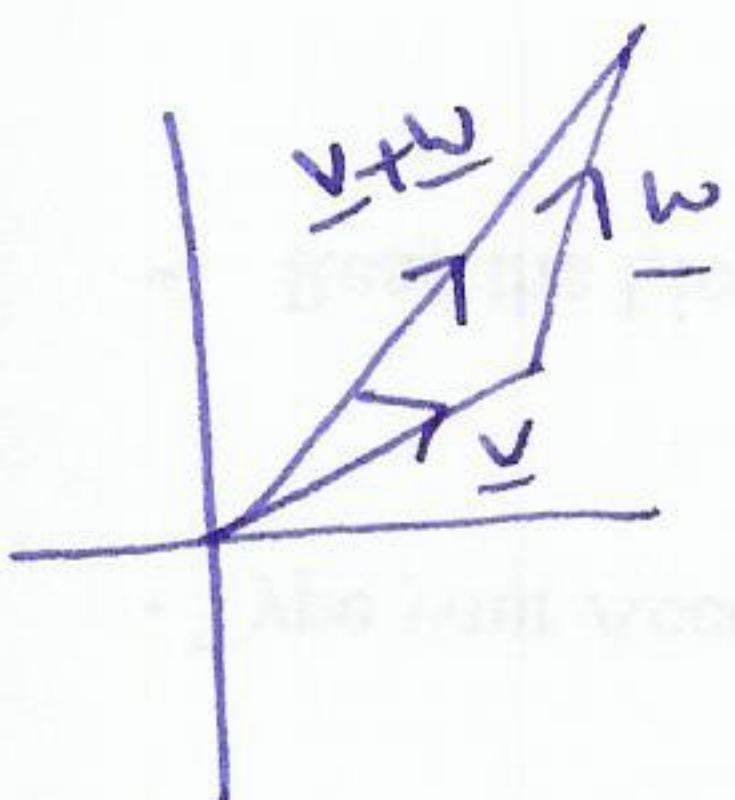


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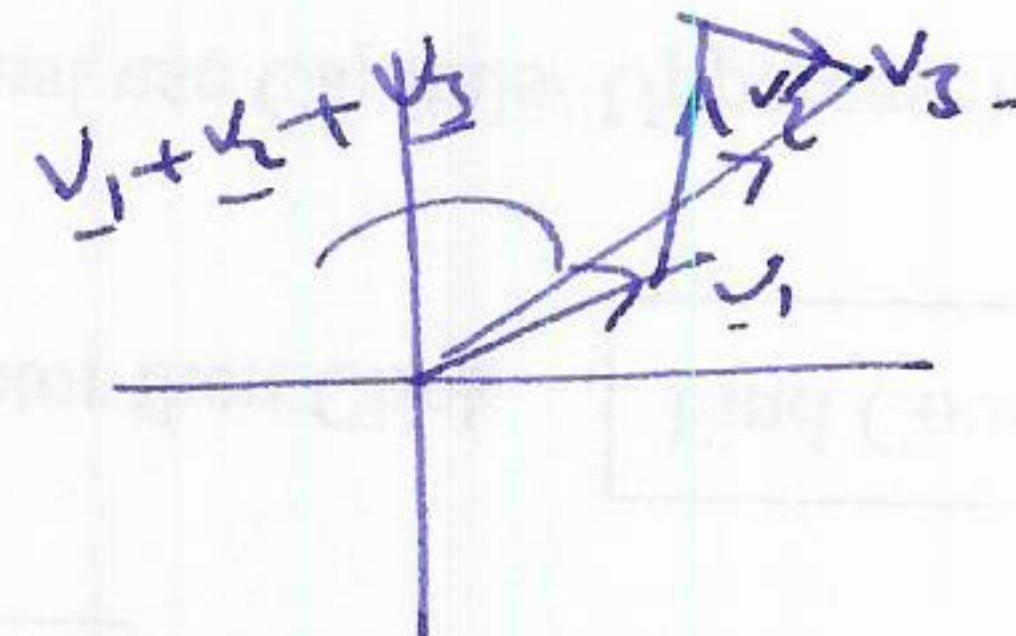
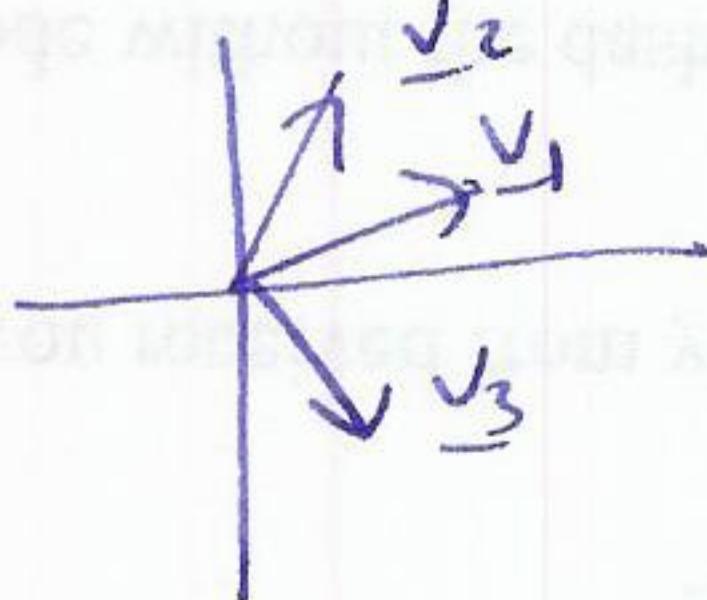
$$-\frac{1}{2}\underline{v} = \langle -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$$

observation \underline{v} is parallel to \underline{w} iff $\underline{v} = \lambda \underline{w}$ for some λ .

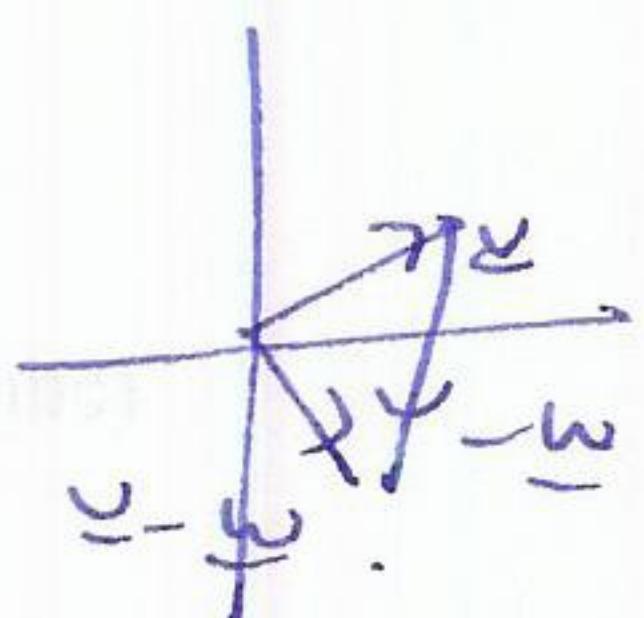
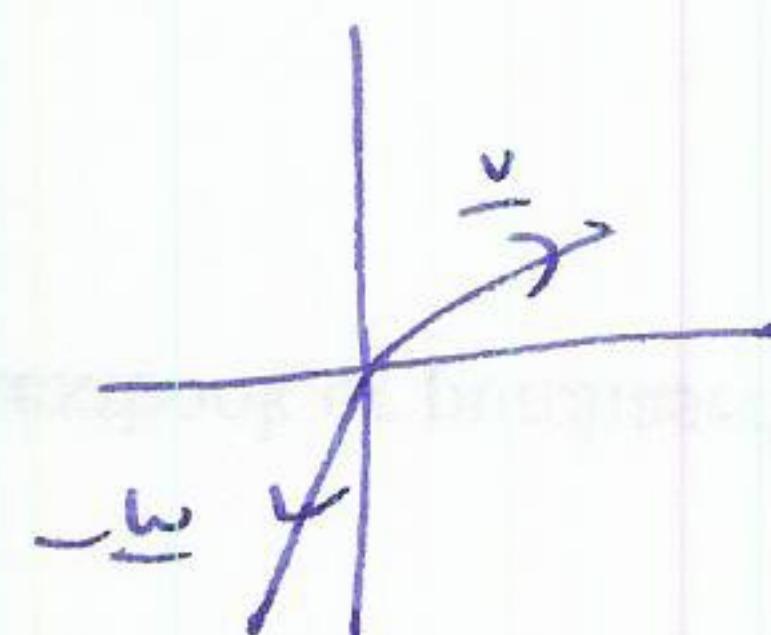
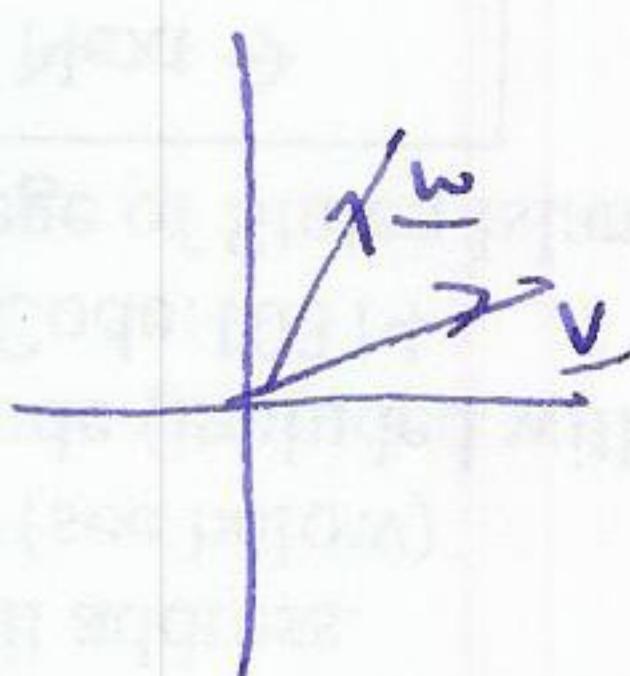
vector addition $\therefore \underline{v}, \underline{w}$ vectors. $\underline{v} + \underline{w}$ translate \underline{w} so initial point of \underline{w} is terminal point of \underline{v} . Then $\underline{v} + \underline{w}$ is vector from initial point of \underline{v} to terminal point of \underline{w}



- adding multiple vectors $\underline{v}_1 + \underline{v}_2 + \underline{v}_3$



$$\cdot \underline{v} - \underline{w} = \underline{v} + (-1)\underline{w}$$



vector operations using components:

if $\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle$ and $\underline{w} = \langle c, d \rangle$

then

$$\cdot \underline{v} + \underline{w} = \langle a+c, b+d \rangle$$

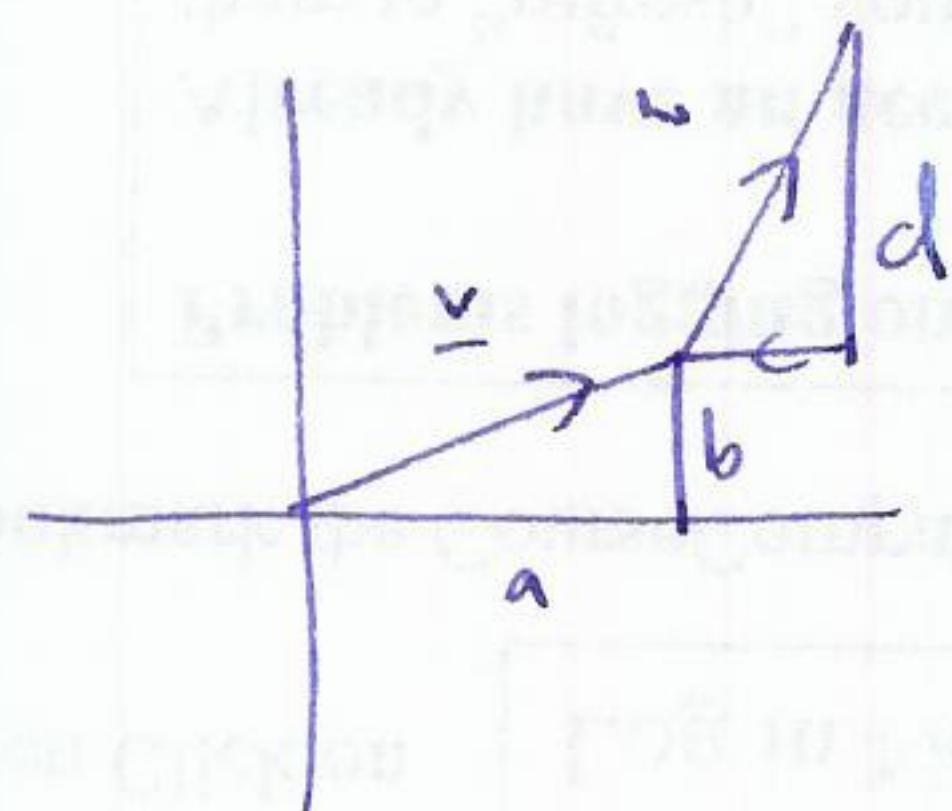
$$\cdot \underline{v} - \underline{w} = \langle a-c, b-d \rangle$$

$$\cdot \lambda \underline{v} = \langle \lambda a, \lambda b \rangle$$

$$\cdot \underline{v} + \underline{0} = \underline{0} + \underline{v} = \underline{v} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{v} - \underline{v} = \underline{0}$$

important

$\underline{v} - \underline{v} = \underline{0}$

zero vector $\langle 0, 0 \rangle$ not zero number 0. $\underline{v} + \underline{w}$:

$\underline{v} + \underline{w} = \langle a+c, b+d \rangle$.

Useful properties $\underline{u}, \underline{v}, \underline{w}$ vectors, λ scalar.

• commutative

$\underline{u} + \underline{v} = \underline{v} + \underline{u}$

• associative

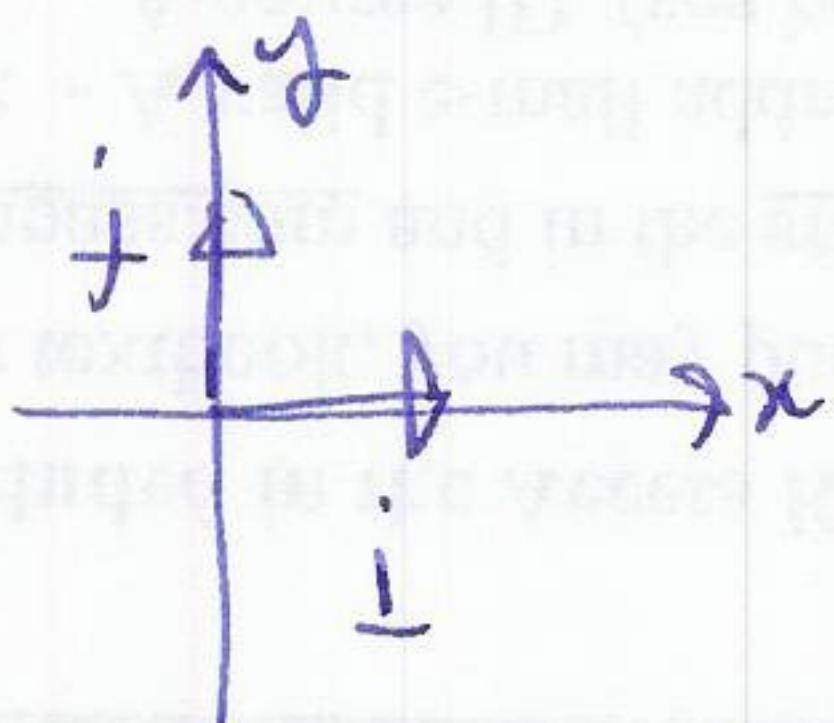
$\underline{u} + (\underline{v} + \underline{w}) = (\underline{u} + \underline{v}) + \underline{w}$

• distributive

$\lambda(\underline{v} + \underline{w}) = \lambda\underline{v} + \lambda\underline{w}$

• length

$\|\lambda\underline{v}\| = |\lambda| \|\underline{v}\|$.

Important $\lambda + \underline{v}$ does not make sense!Unit vectors: A vector of length 1 is called a unit vectorif \underline{v} is a vector then the vector $\underline{ev} = \frac{1}{\|\underline{v}\|} \underline{v}$ is a unit
($\neq \underline{0}$) vector in the direction of \underline{v} . Check: $\|\underline{ev}\| = \left\| \frac{1}{\|\underline{v}\|} \underline{v} \right\| = \frac{1}{\|\underline{v}\|} \|\underline{v}\| = 1$ Special vectors

i unit vector in x-direction

j unit vector in y-direction

so $\begin{matrix} \text{i} \\ \text{j} \end{matrix} = \langle 1, 0 \rangle$
 $\begin{matrix} \text{i} \\ \text{j} \end{matrix} = \langle 0, 1 \rangle$

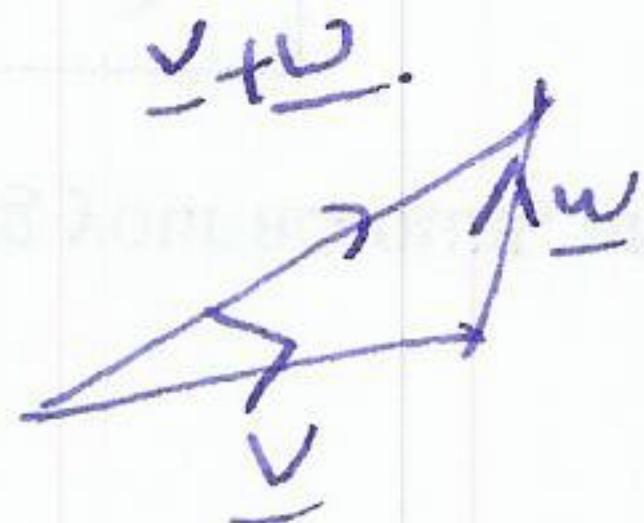
Linear combinations if $\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ are vectors, r_1, r_2 scalars.then $r_1 \underline{v} + s_2 \underline{w}$ is a linear combination of \underline{v} and \underline{w} .

i, j sometimes called standard basis vector. ⑥

Every vector can be written as a linear combination of i and j.

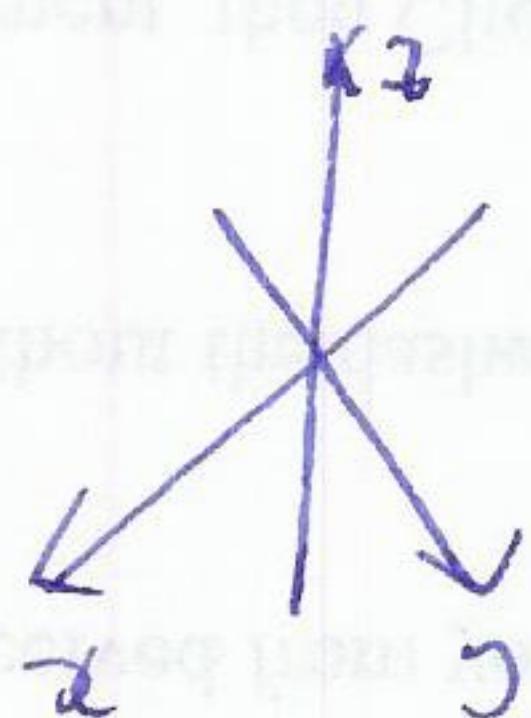
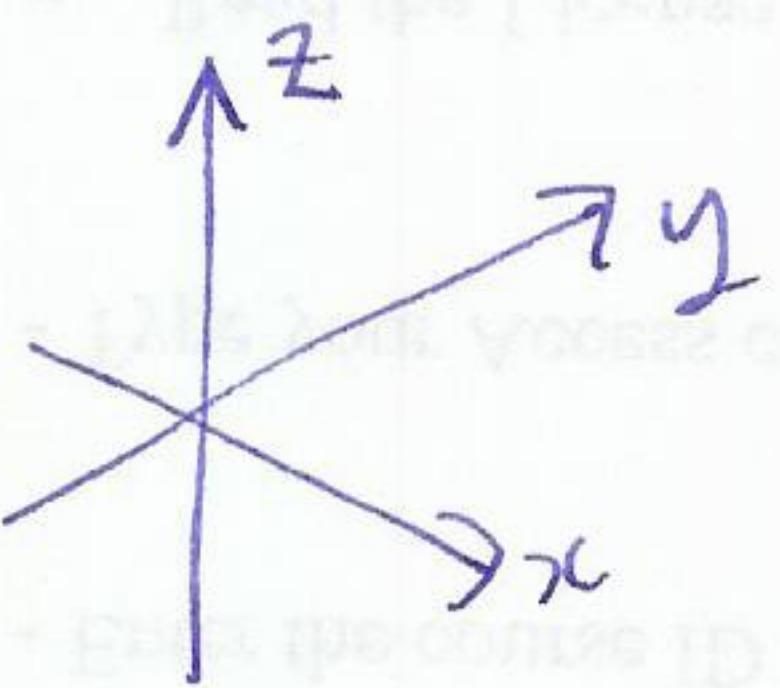
$$\begin{aligned}\underline{v} = \langle a, b \rangle &= a\underline{i} + b\underline{j} = a\langle 1, 0 \rangle + b\langle 0, 1 \rangle \\ &= \langle a, 0 \rangle + \langle 0, b \rangle \\ &= \langle a, b \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

Triangle inequality

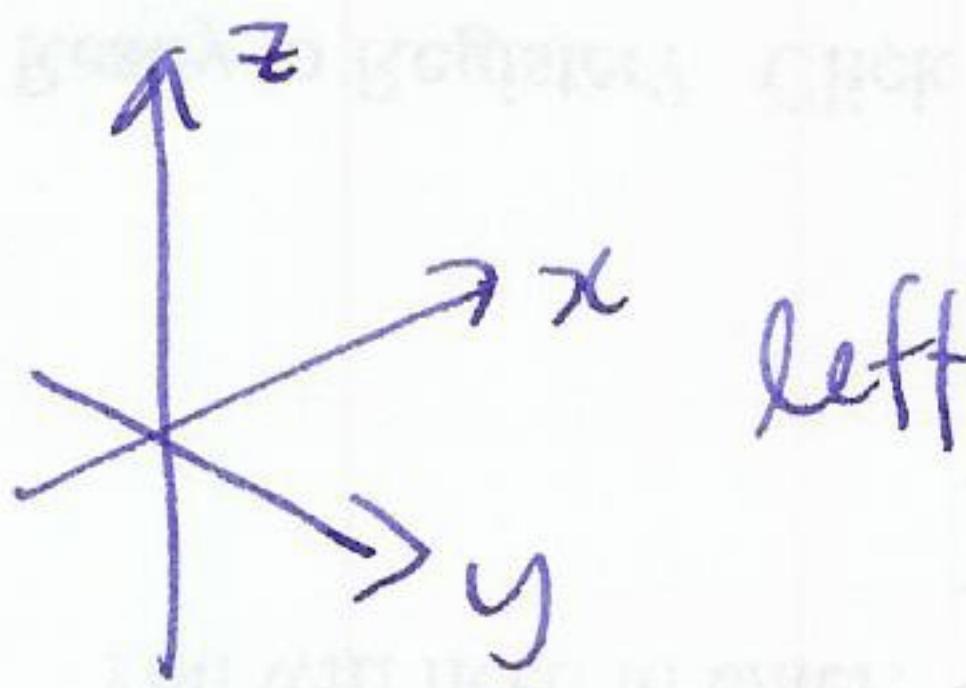
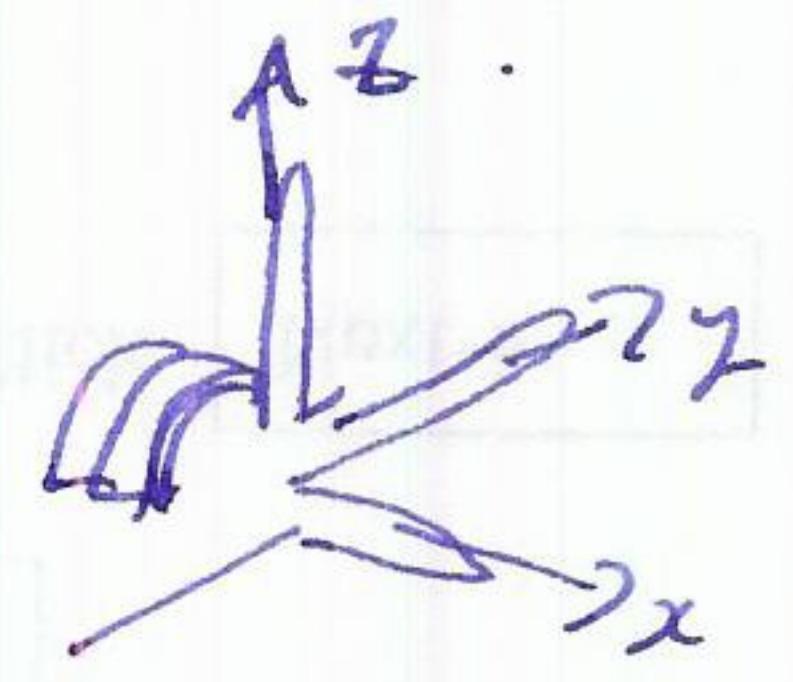


$$\|\underline{v} + \underline{w}\| \leq \|\underline{v}\| + \|\underline{w}\|.$$

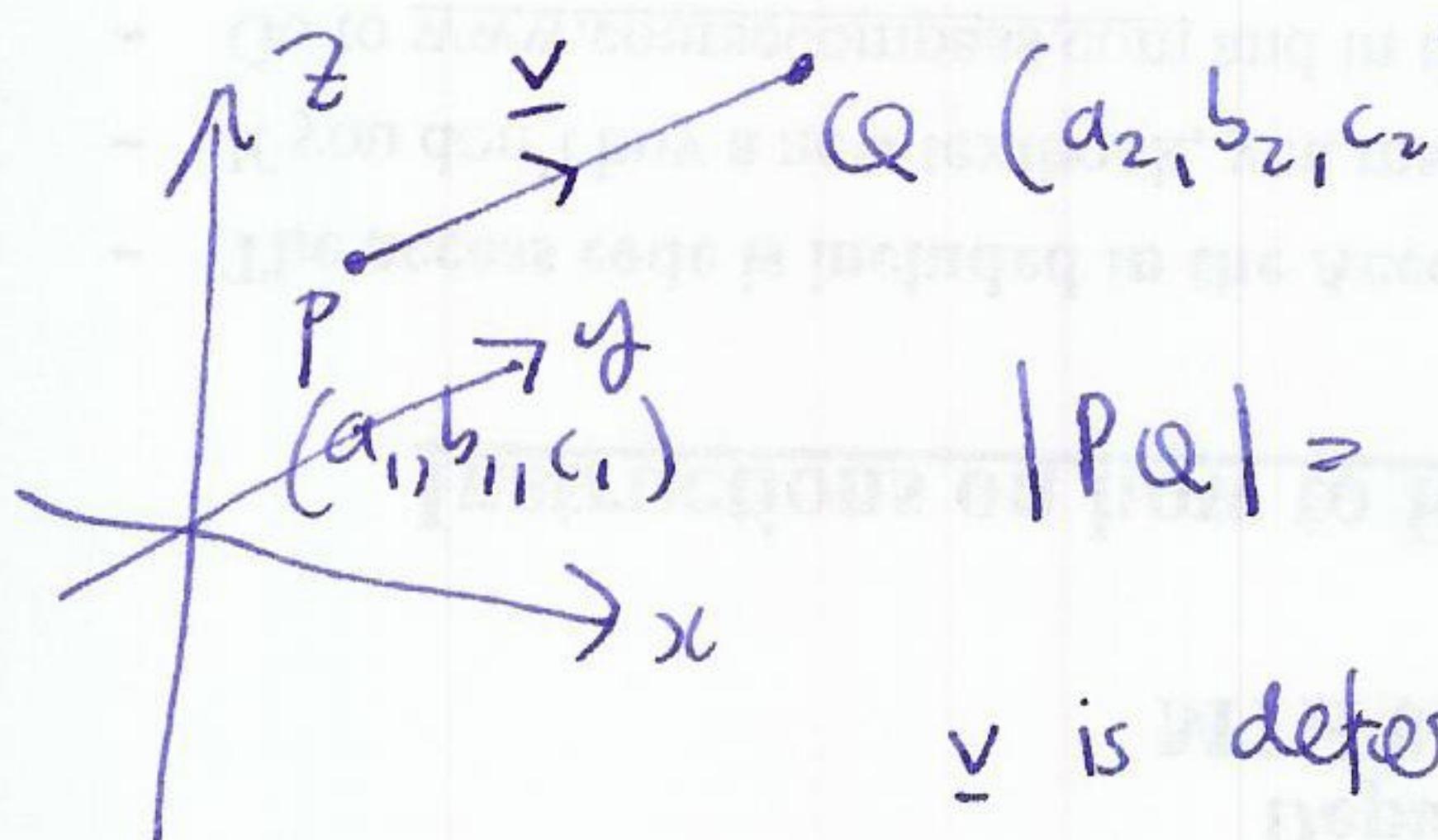
§ 12.2 Vectors in 3d



right hand rule



left hand rule. ✗ we will only ever use coordinates which are right handed



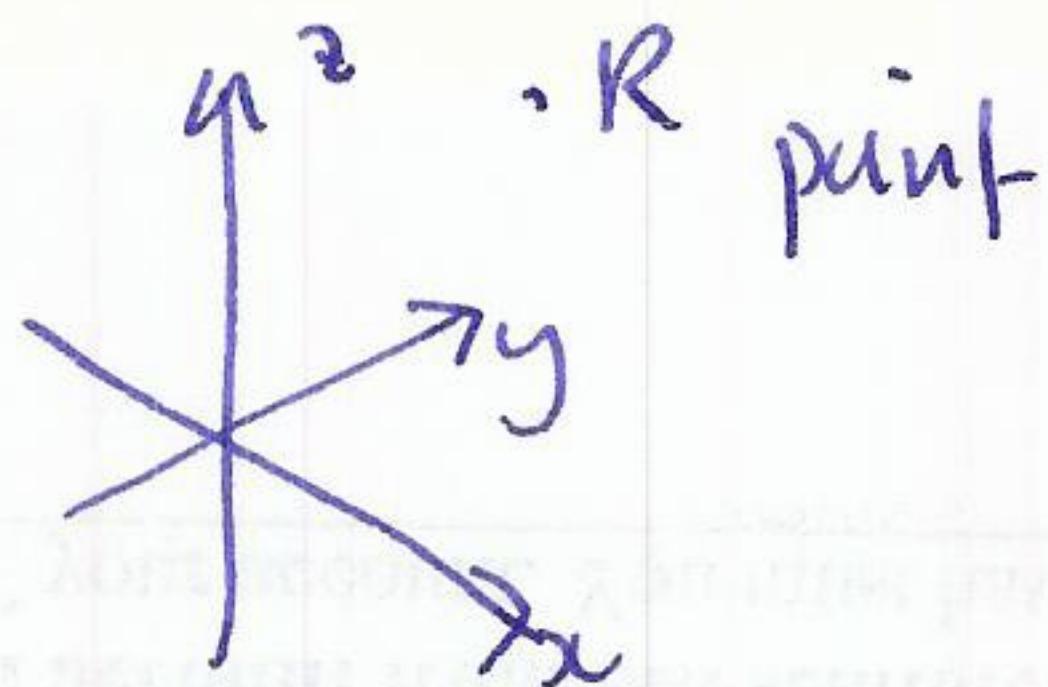
A vector \underline{v} has length and direction.

$$|PQ| = \sqrt{(a_2 - a_1)^2 + (b_2 - b_1)^2 + (c_2 - c_1)^2}$$

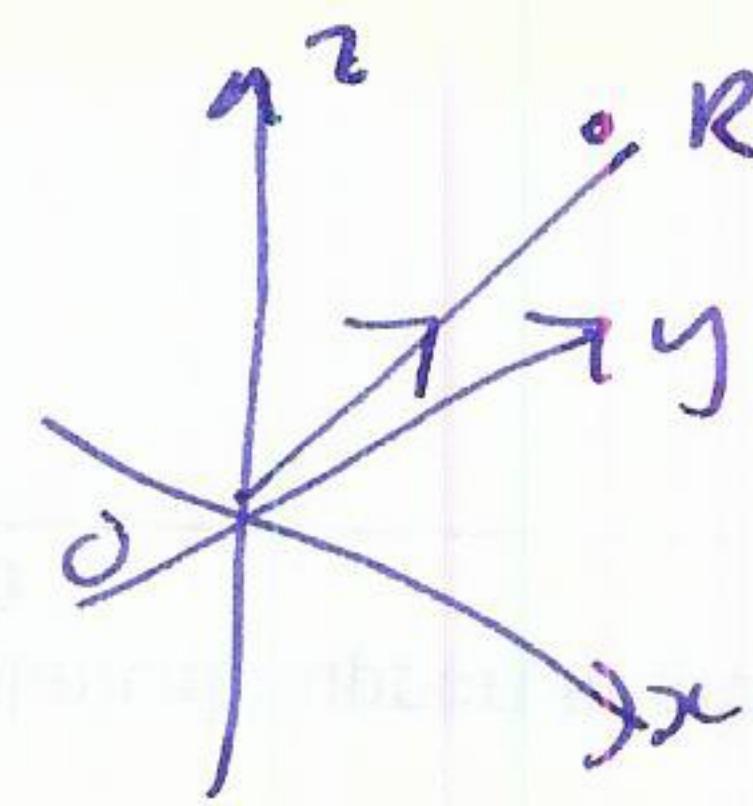
\underline{v} is determined by its initial and final points.

- translation: \underline{v} moved without changing length or direction.
- equivalent: $\underline{v}, \underline{w}$ same length and direction.

- position vectors:



point



\vec{OR}
position
vector.

components

$$P (a_1, b_1, c_1)$$

$$Q (a_2, b_2, c_2)$$

then components are

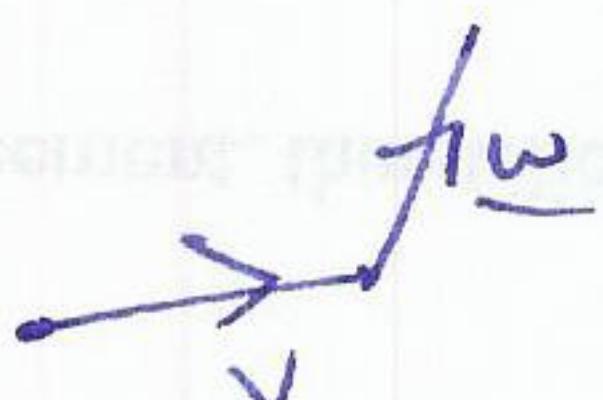
$$a_2 - a_1 \text{ - } x\text{-component}$$

$$b_2 - b_1 \text{ - } y\text{-component}$$

$$c_2 - c_1 \text{ - } z\text{-component}$$

notation $\vec{PQ} = \langle a_2 - a_1, b_2 - b_1, c_2 - c_1 \rangle$.

vector addition



$$\underline{v} = \langle v_1, v_2, v_3 \rangle$$

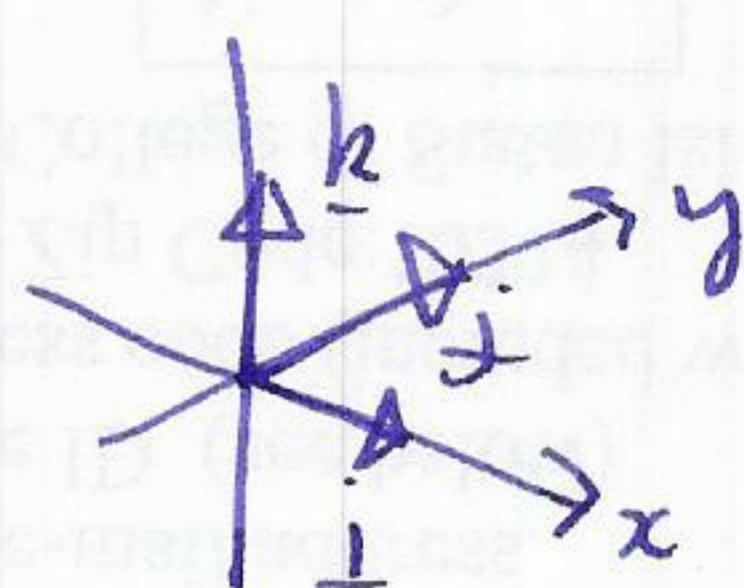
$$\underline{w} = \langle w_1, w_2, w_3 \rangle$$

$$\underline{v} + \underline{w} = \langle v_1 + w_1, v_2 + w_2, v_3 + w_3 \rangle$$

scalar multiplication

$$\lambda \underline{v} = \langle \lambda v_1, \lambda v_2, \lambda v_3 \rangle$$

standard basis vectors



$$\hat{i} = \langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\hat{j} = \langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle$$

$$\hat{k} = \langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle$$

every vector is a linear combination of the standard basis

vectors.

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{v} &= \langle a, b, c \rangle = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k} \\ &= a\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle + b\langle 0, 1, 0 \rangle \\ &\quad + c\langle 0, 0, 1 \rangle \end{aligned}$$