

Today

- The geometry of homogeneous and nonhomogeneous matrix equations
- Solving nonhomogeneous equations
 - Method of undetermined coefficients

Tutorial poll

- (A) Hand out worksheet on Friday, print and hand in during tutorial.
- (B) Hand out worksheet during tutorial, hand in during Tuesday class.

Second order, linear, constant coeff, **non**homogeneous (3.5)

- Our next goal is to figure out how to find solutions to nonhomogeneous equations like this one:

$$y'' - 6y' + 8y = \sin(2t)$$

- But first, a bit more on the connections between matrix algebra and differential equations . . .

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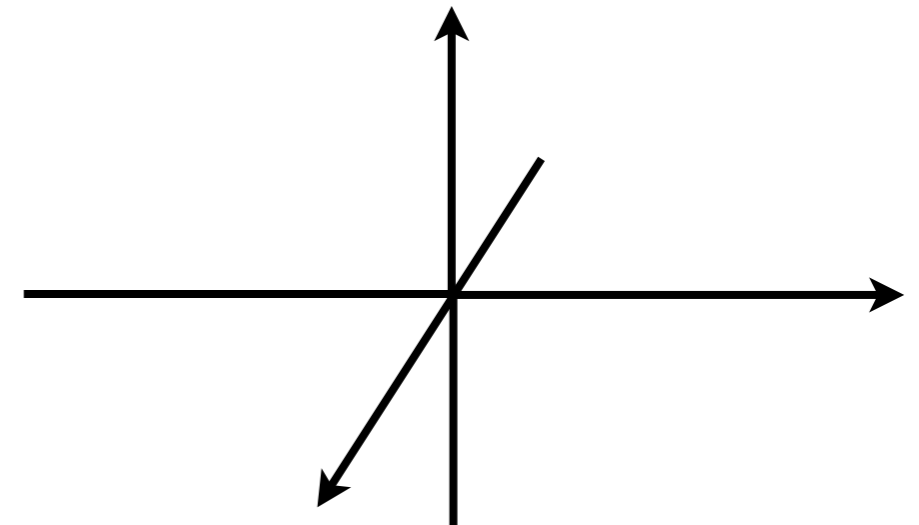
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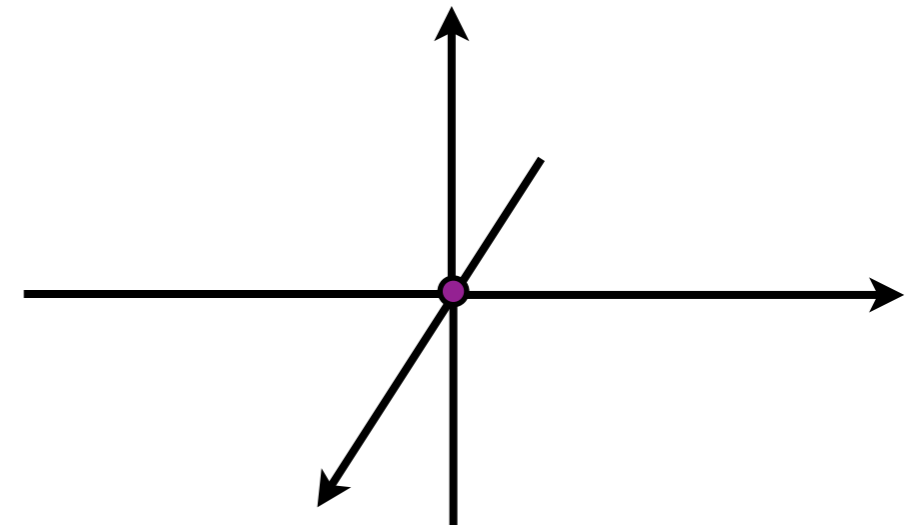
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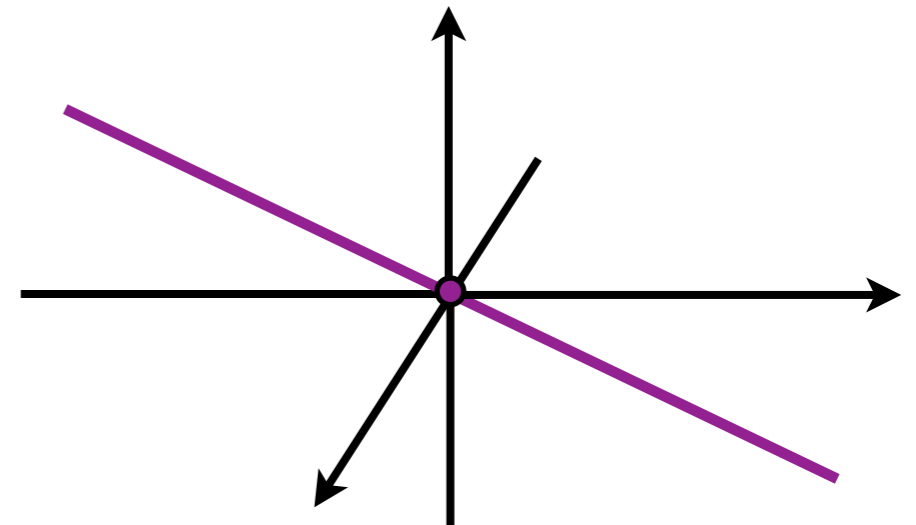
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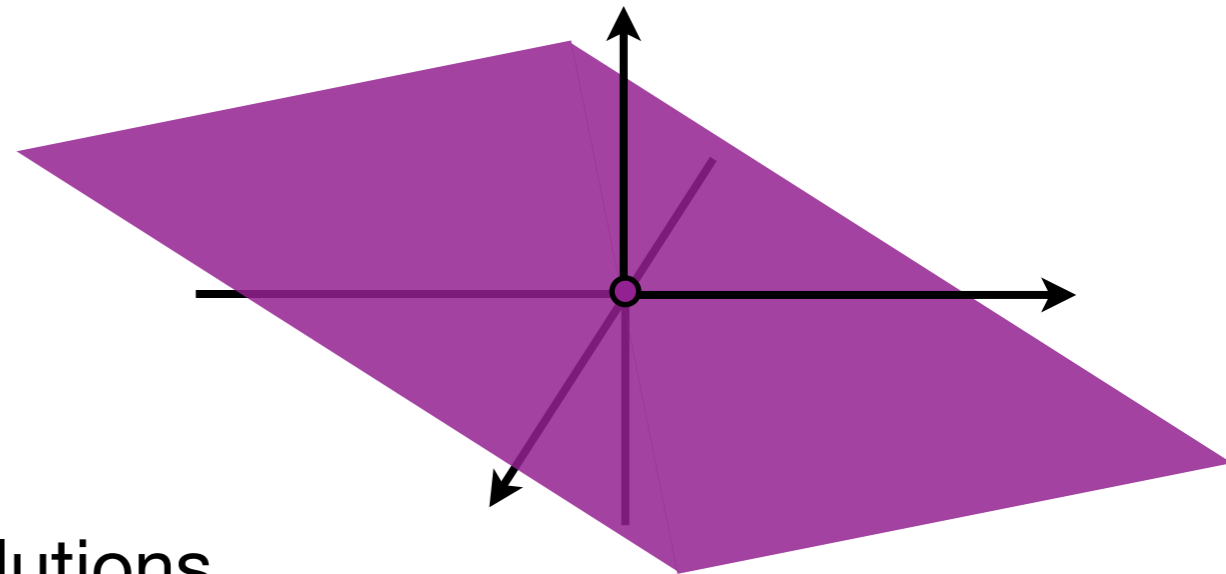
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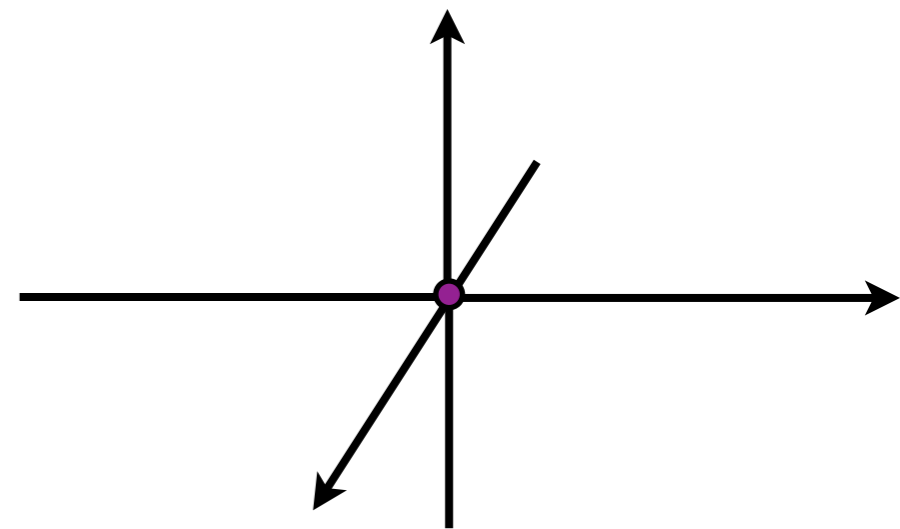
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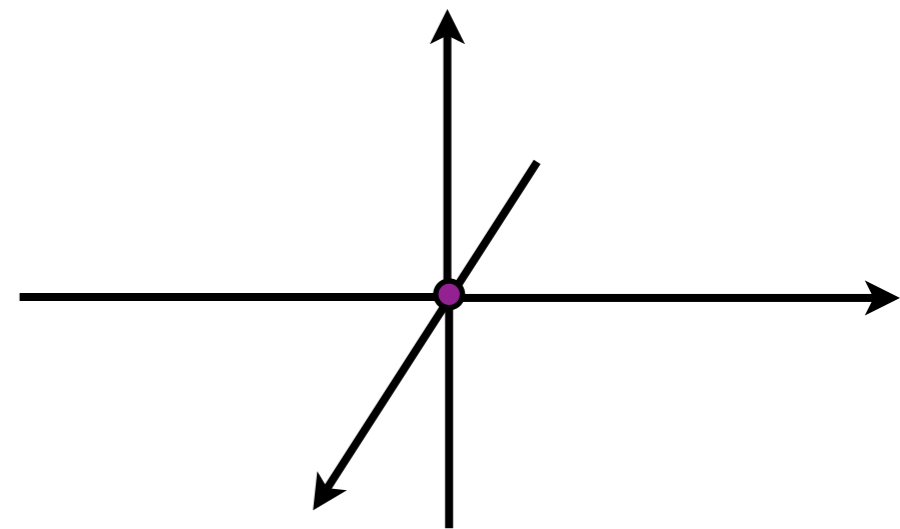
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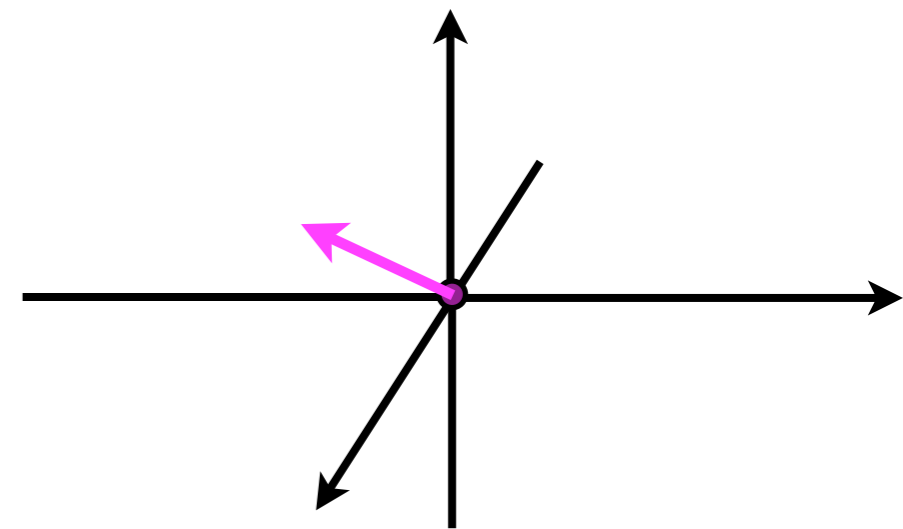
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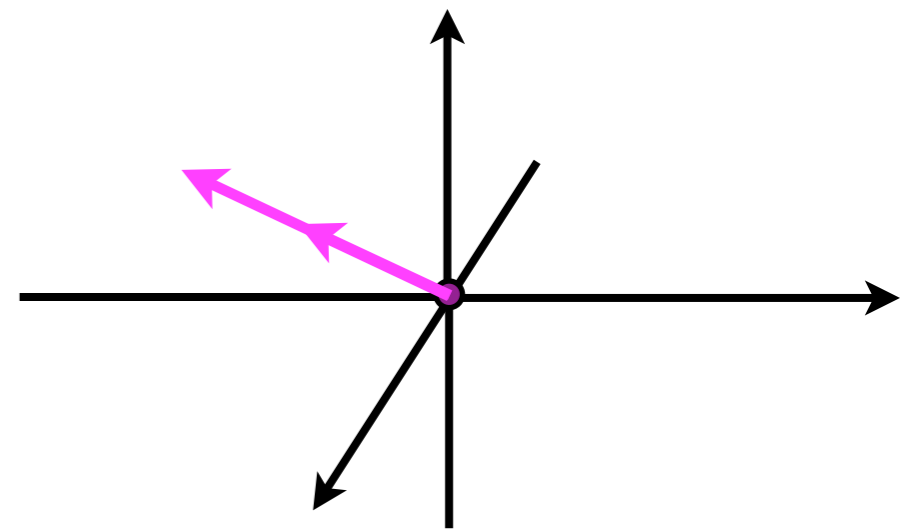
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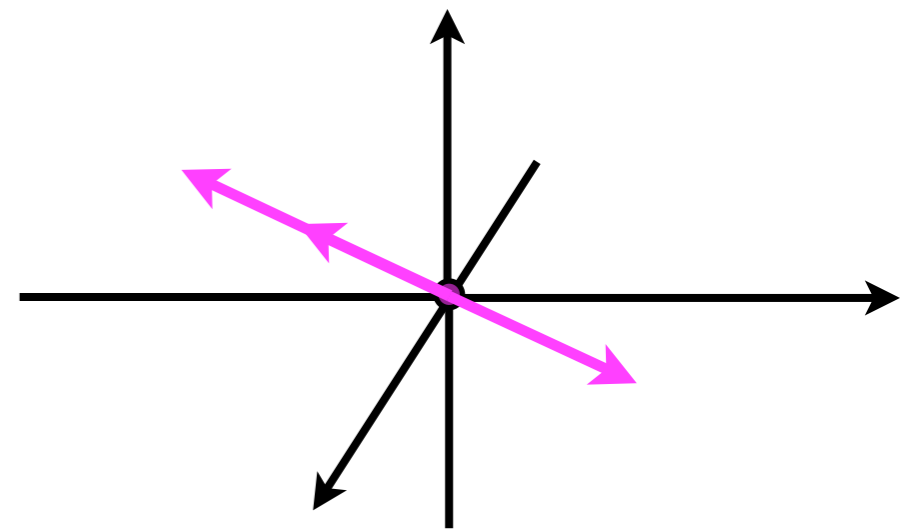
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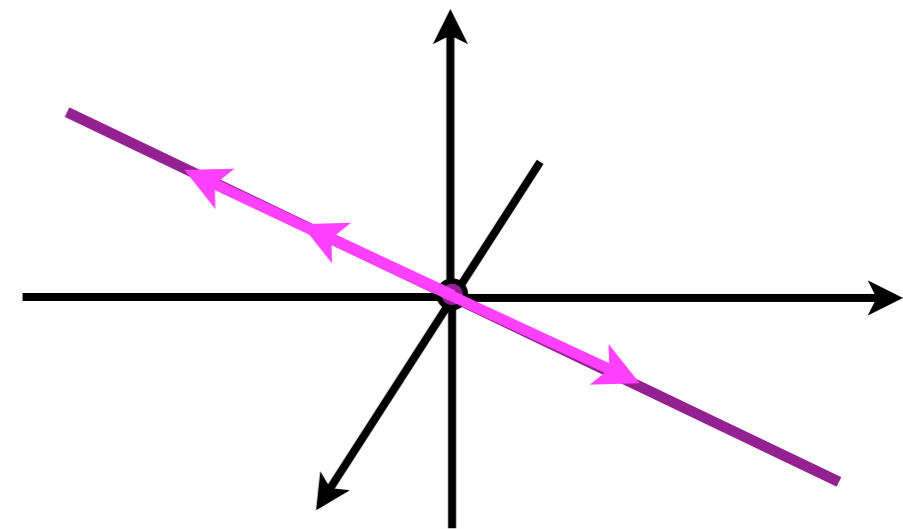
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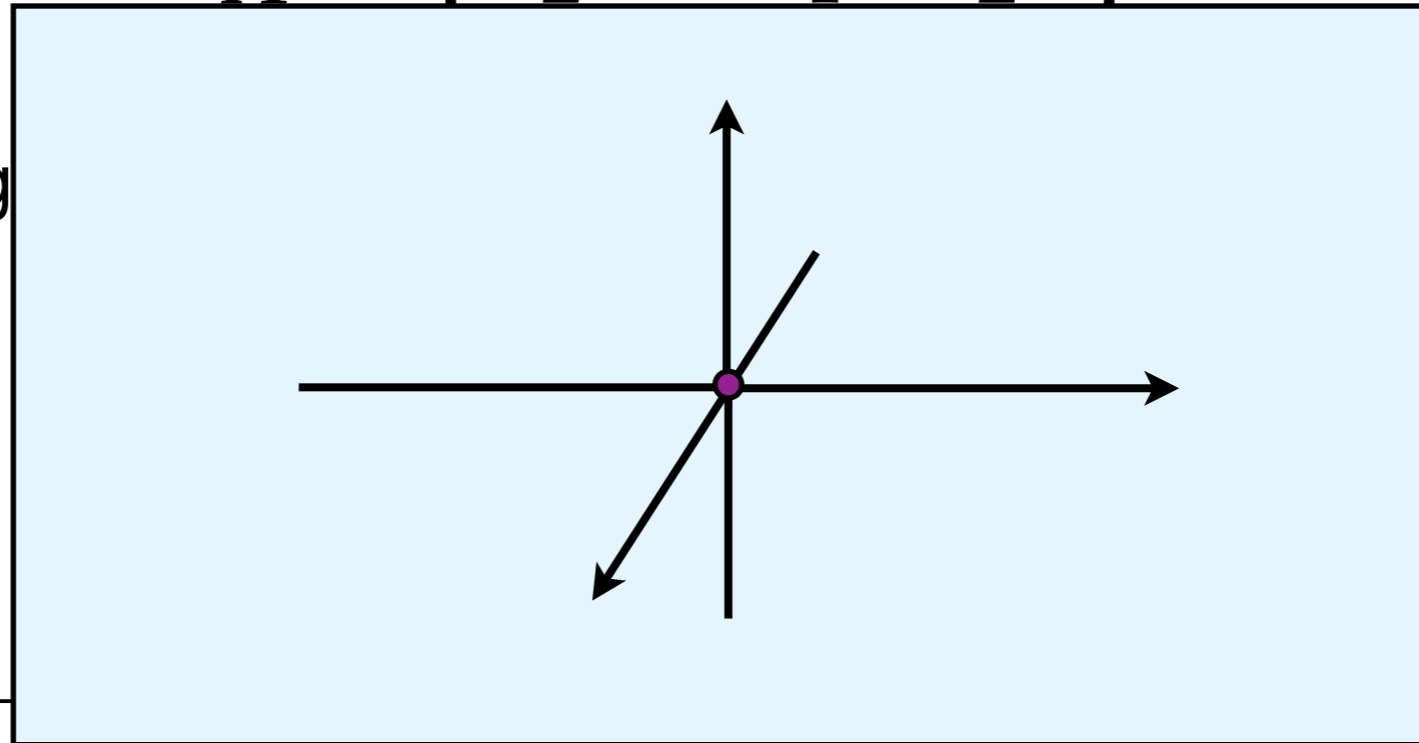
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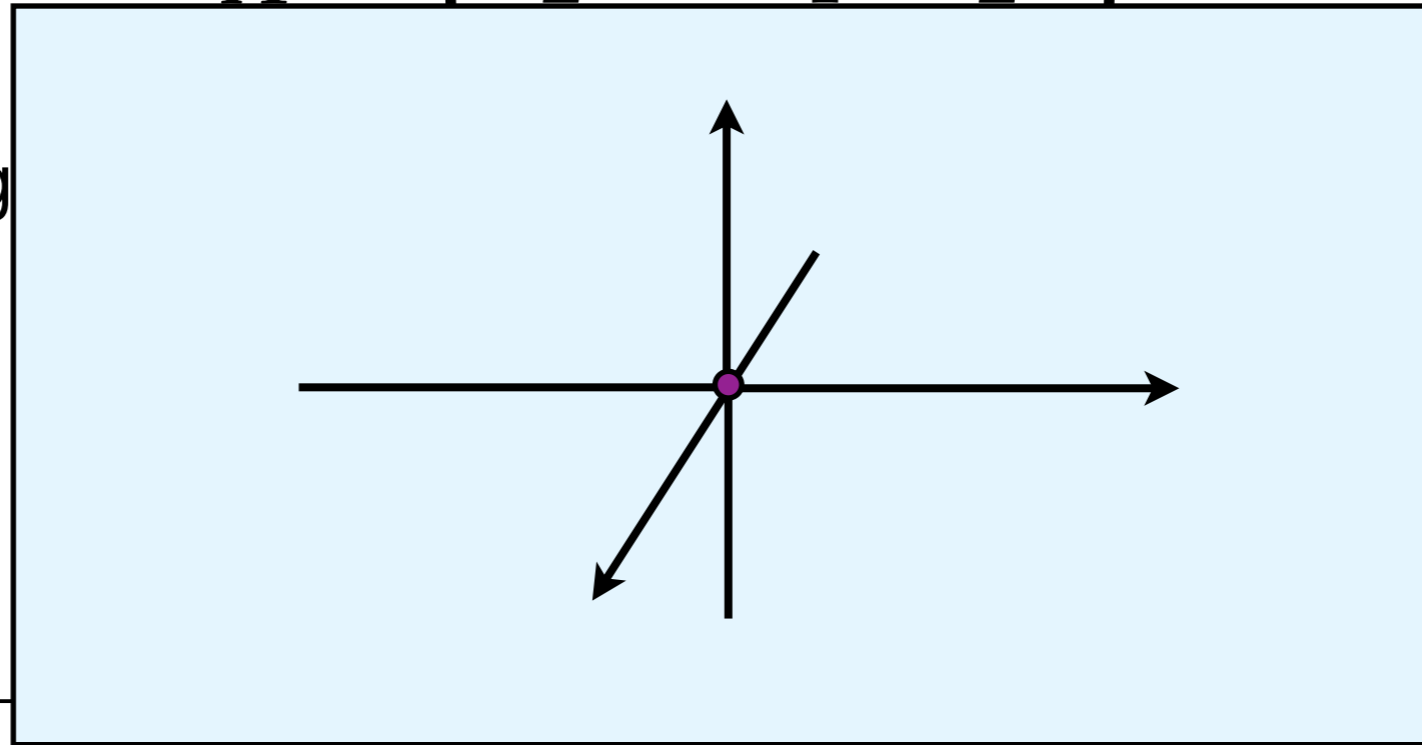
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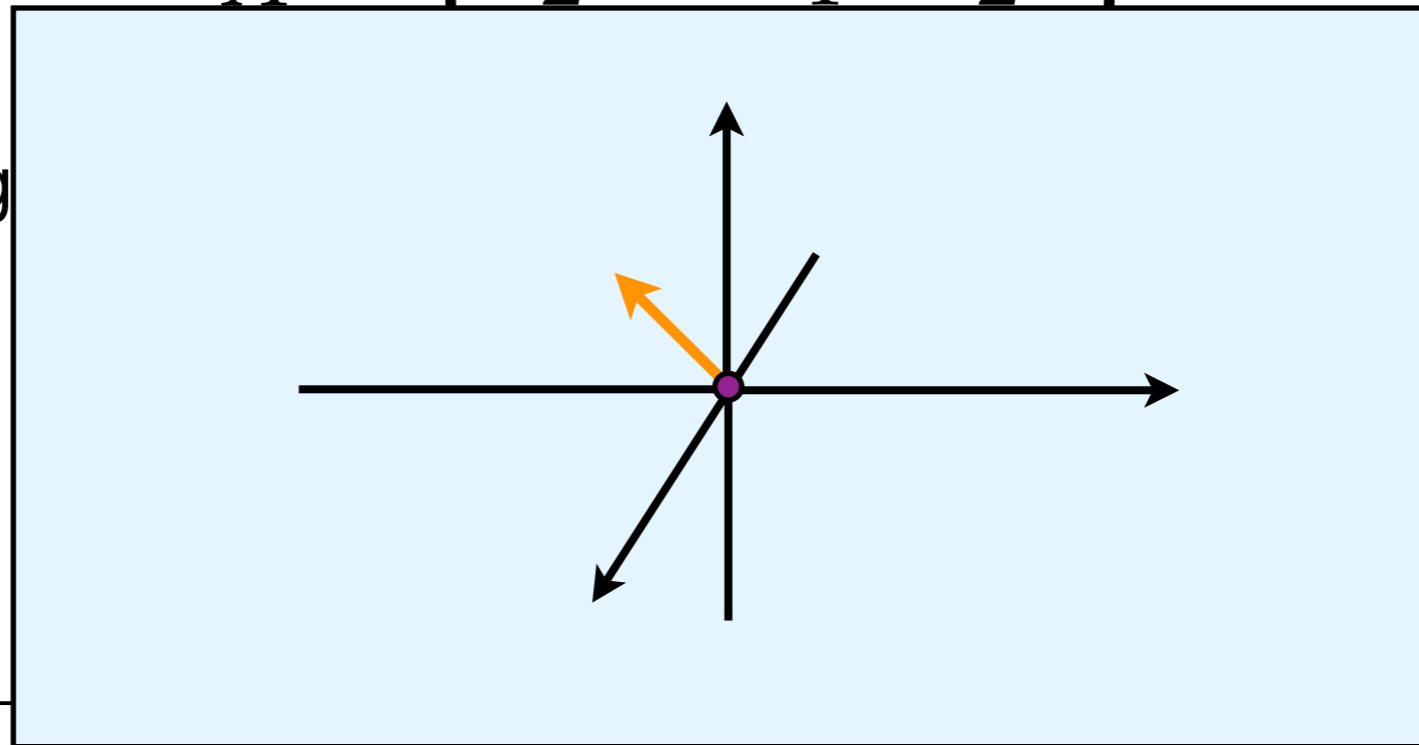
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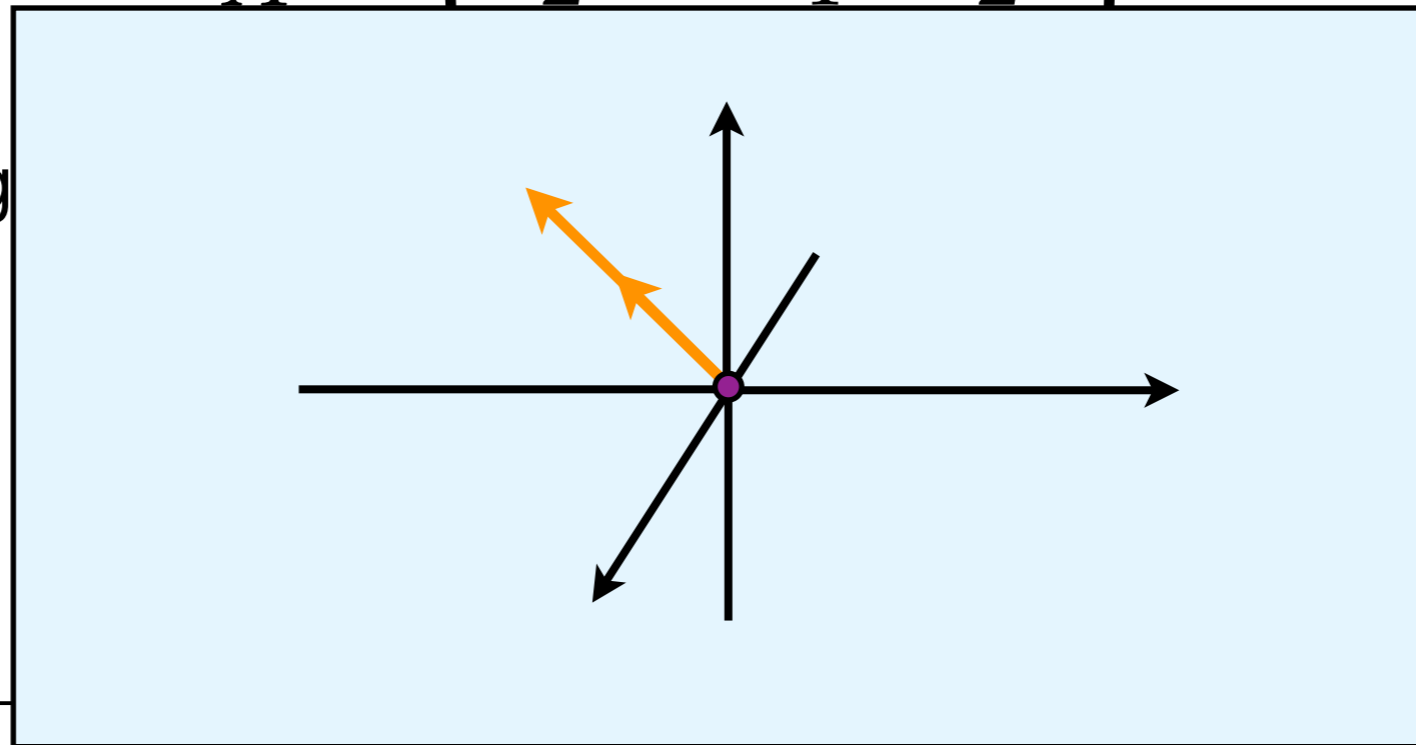
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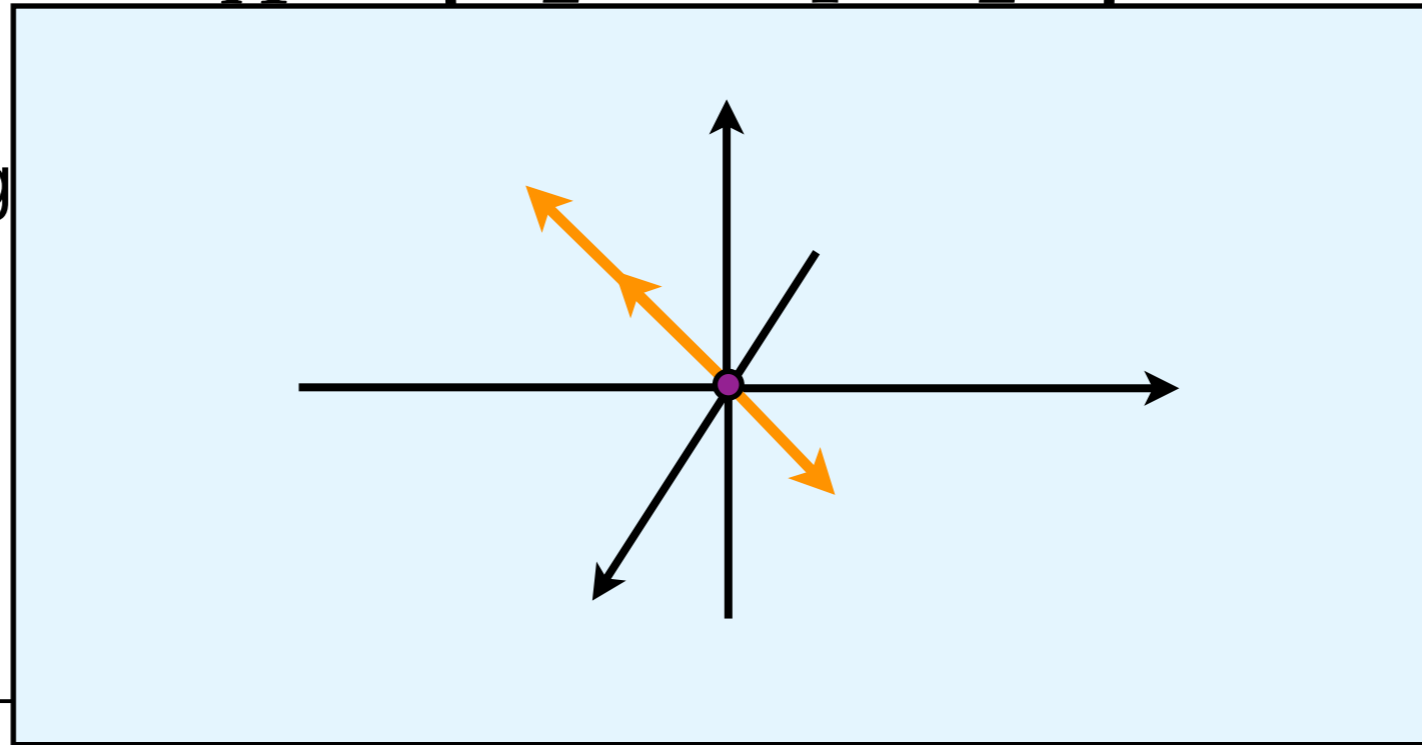
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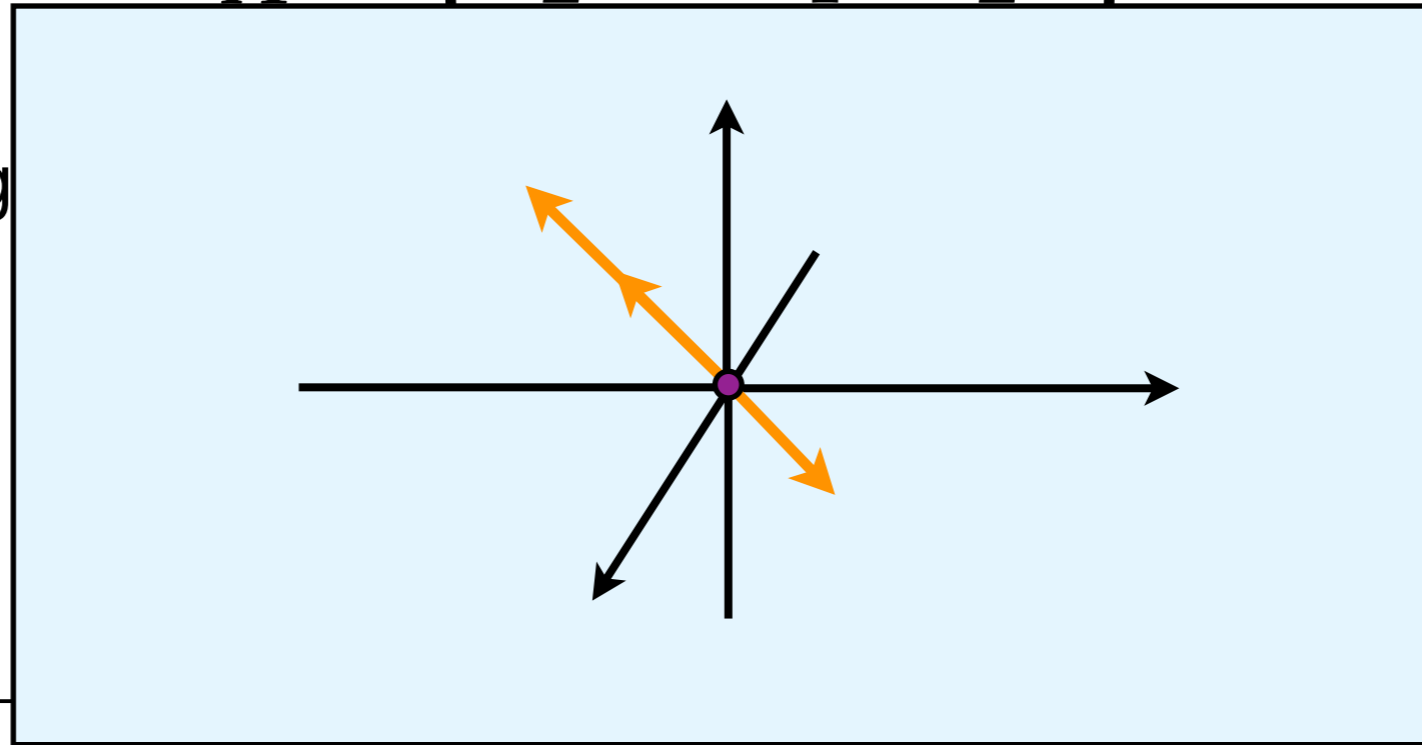
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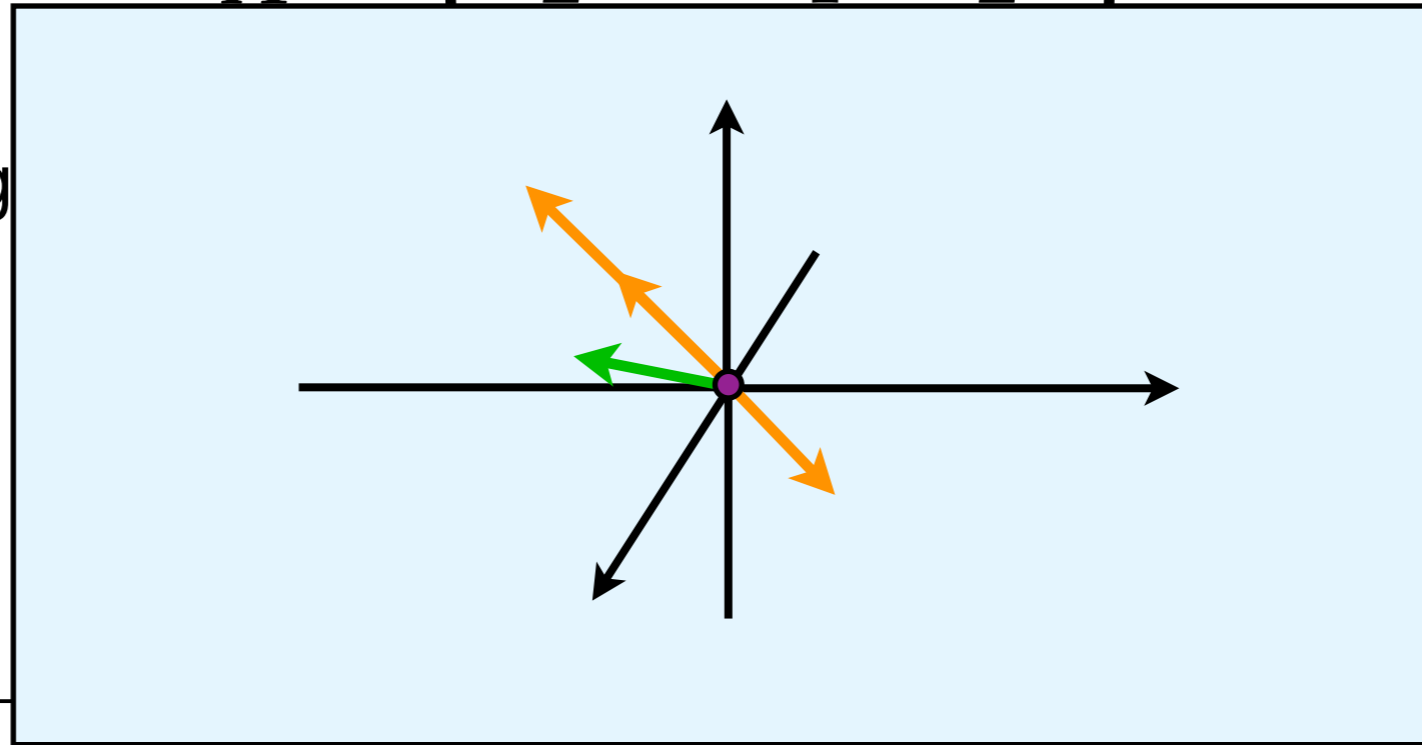
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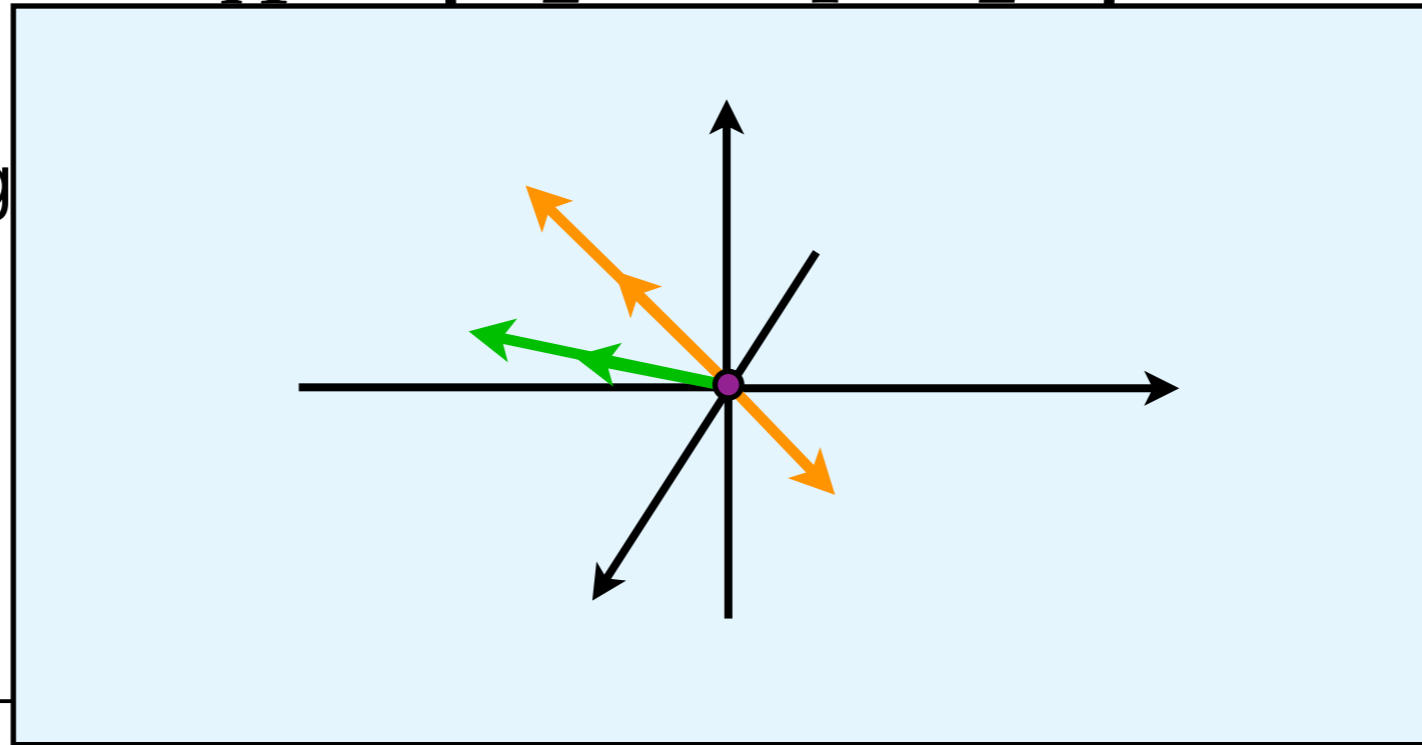
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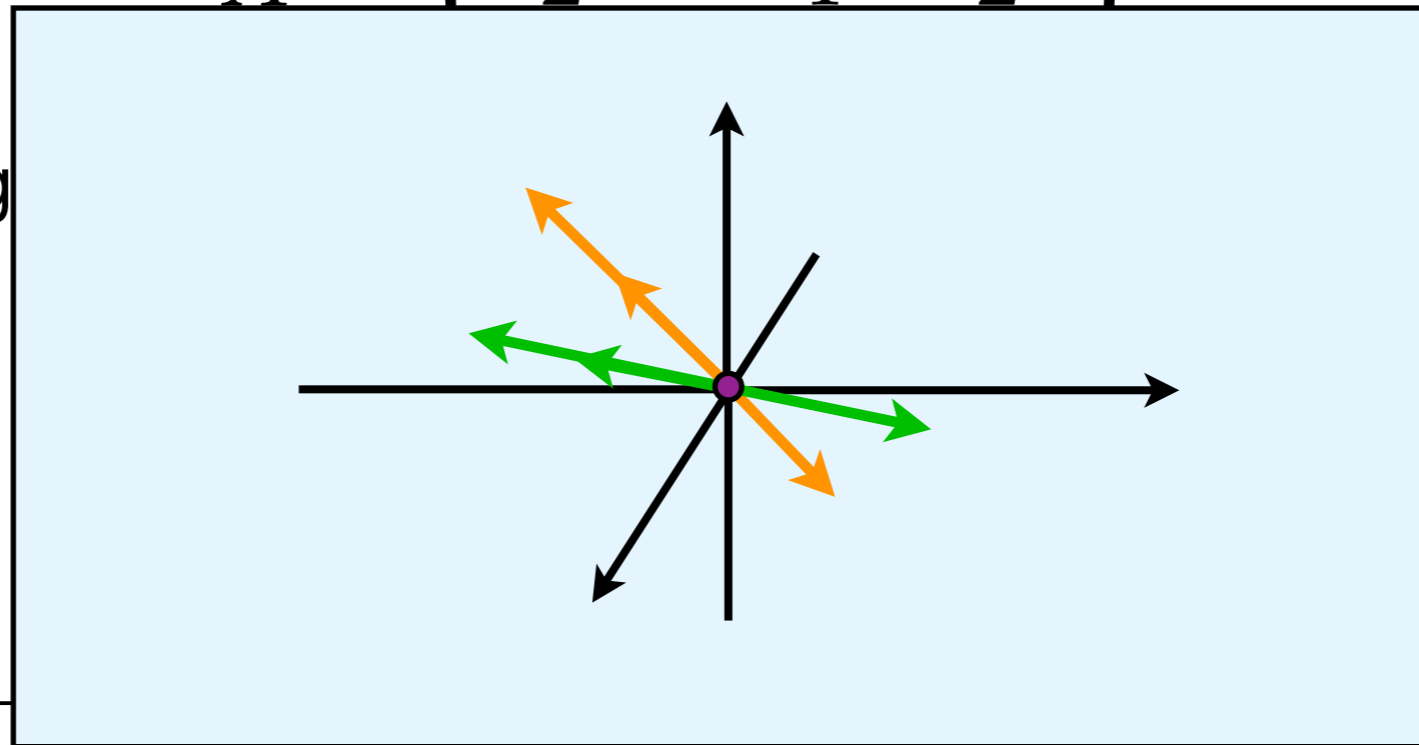
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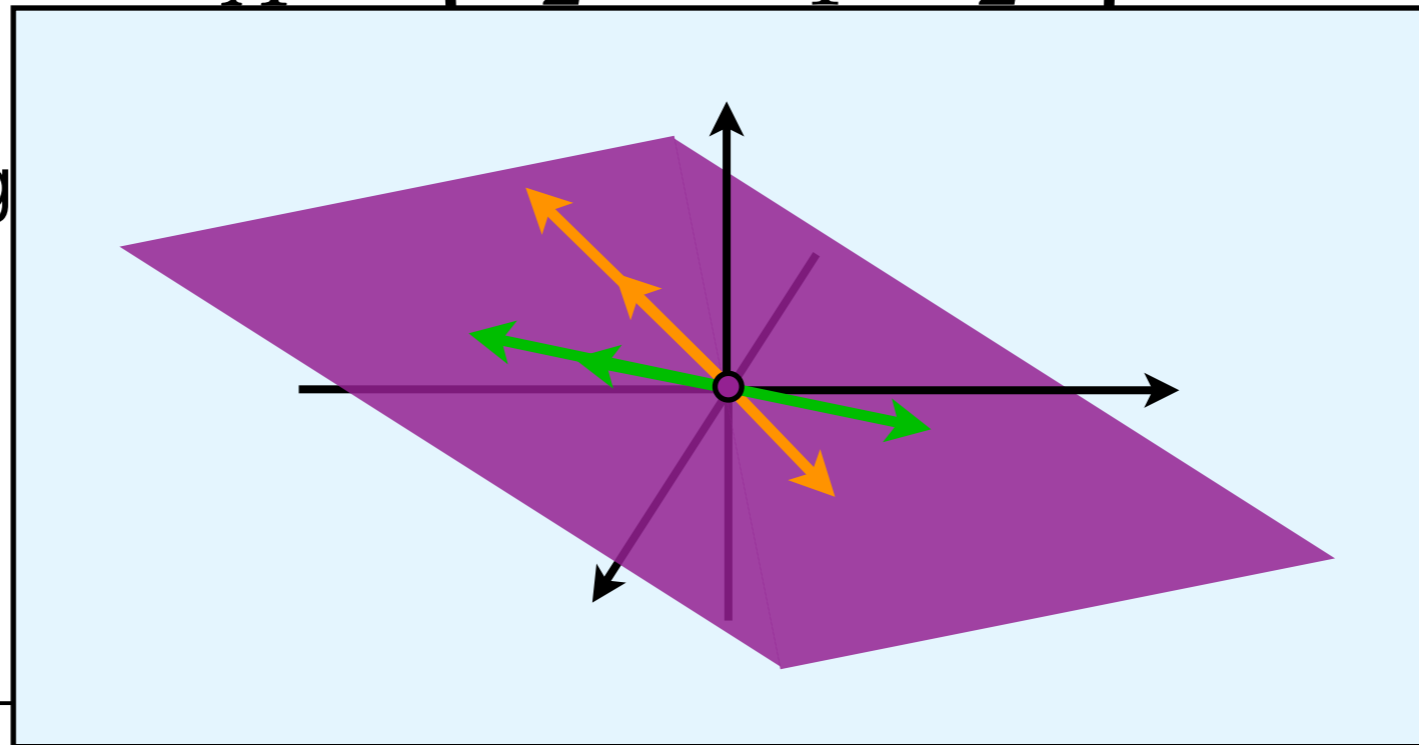
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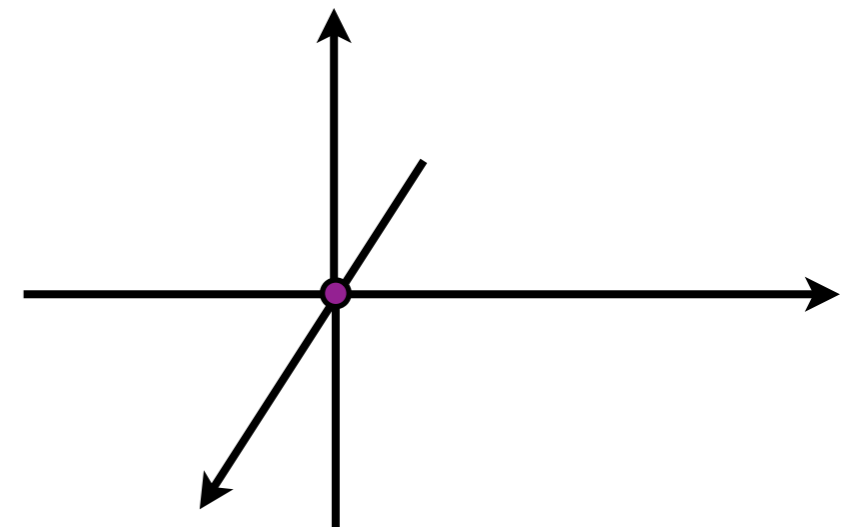
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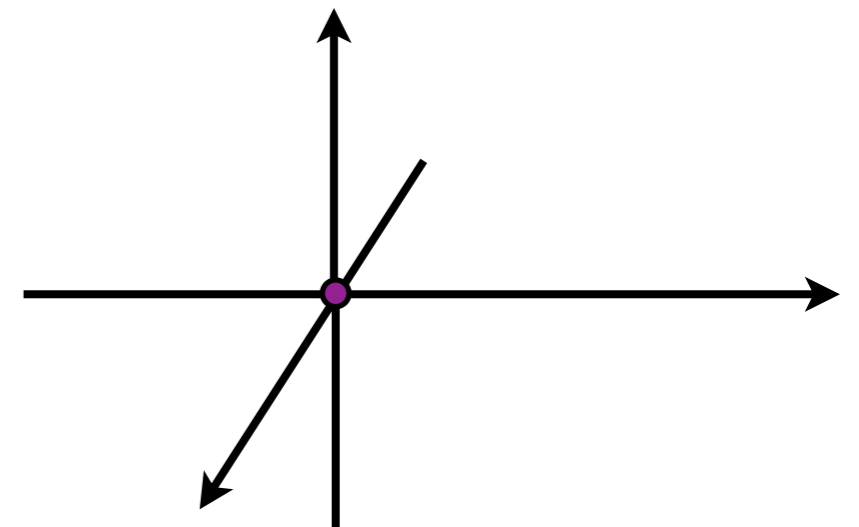
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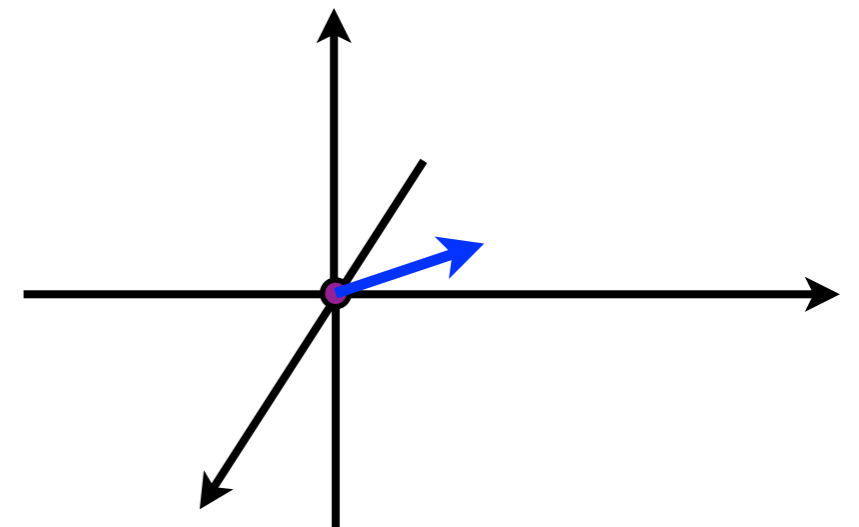
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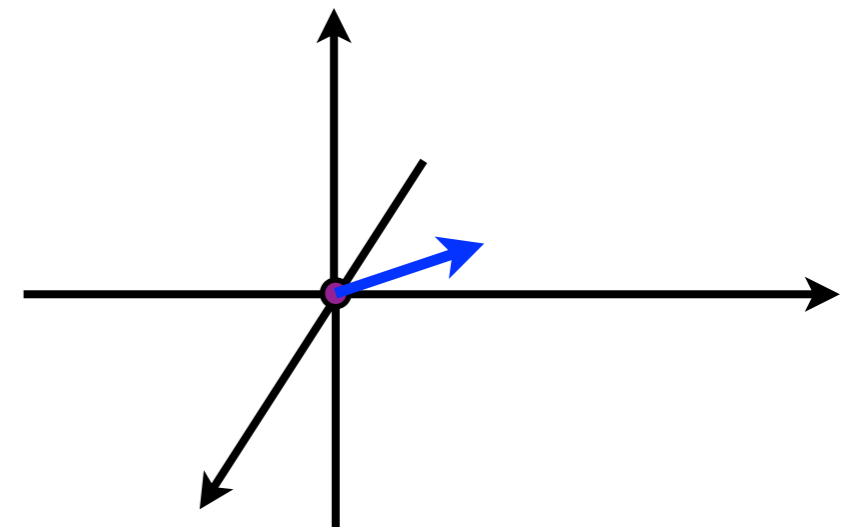
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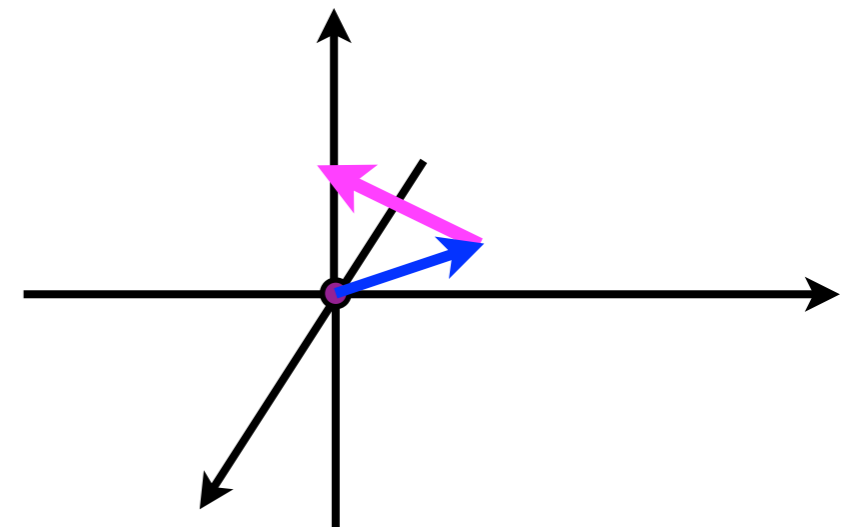
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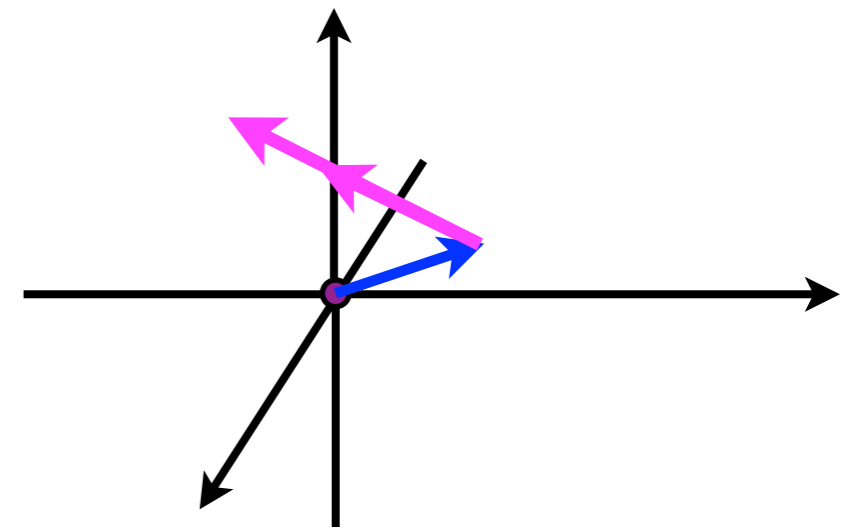
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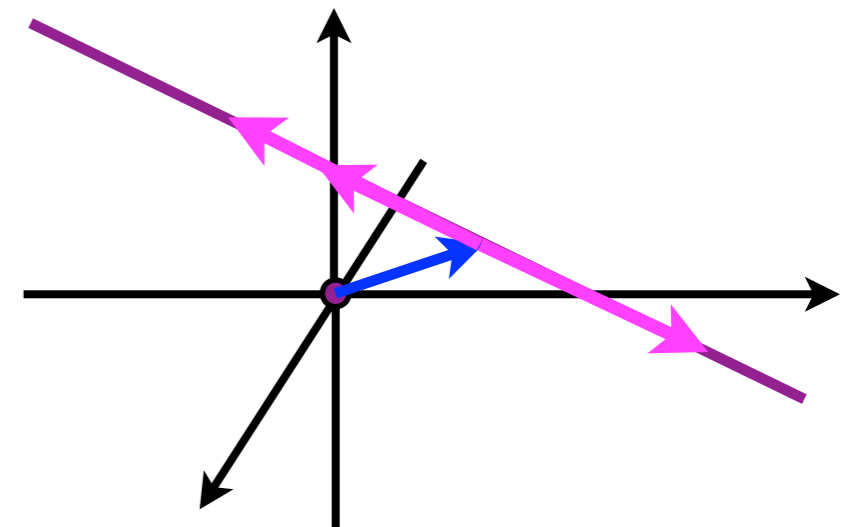
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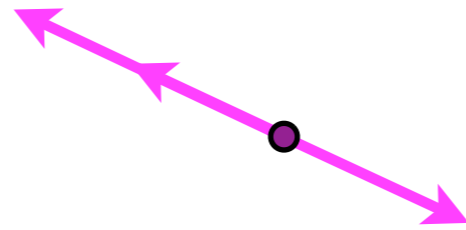
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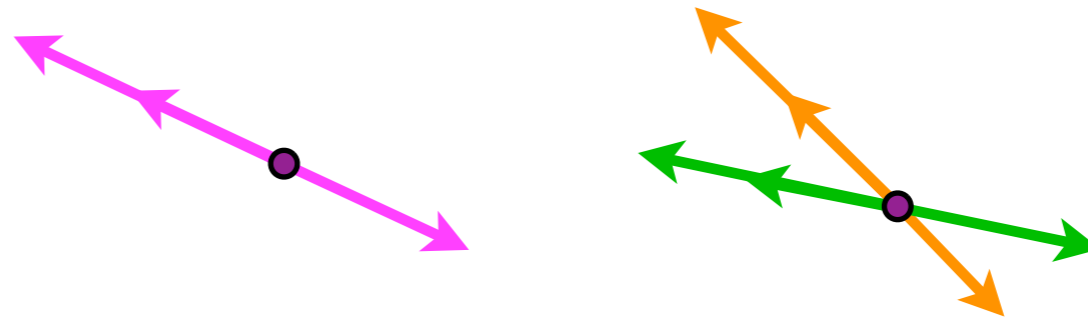
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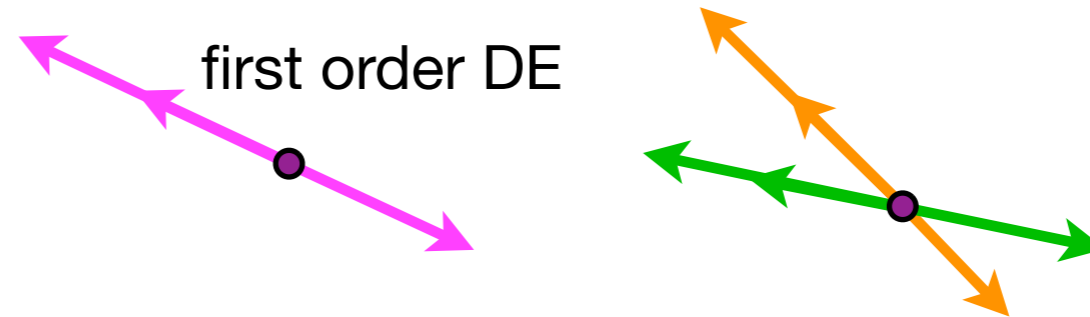
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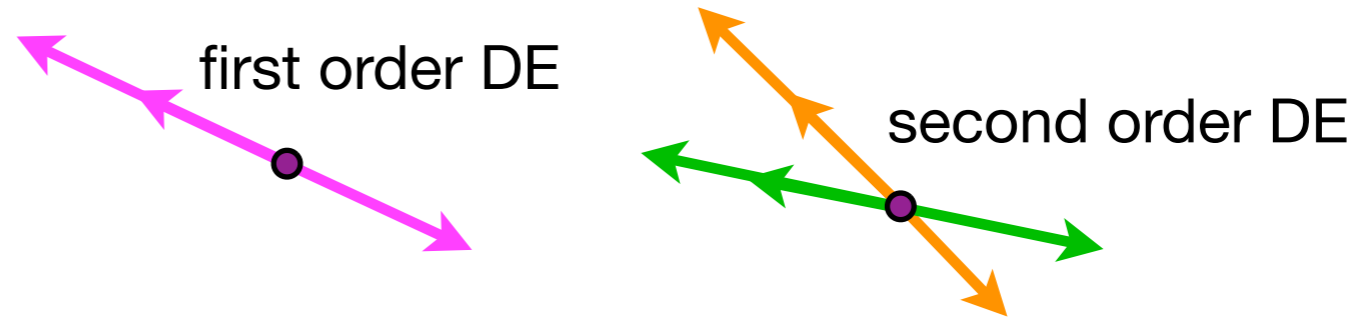
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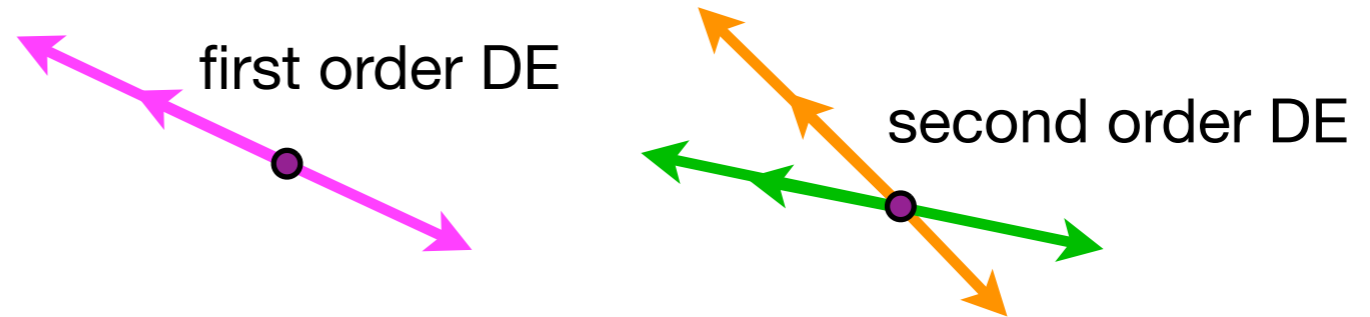
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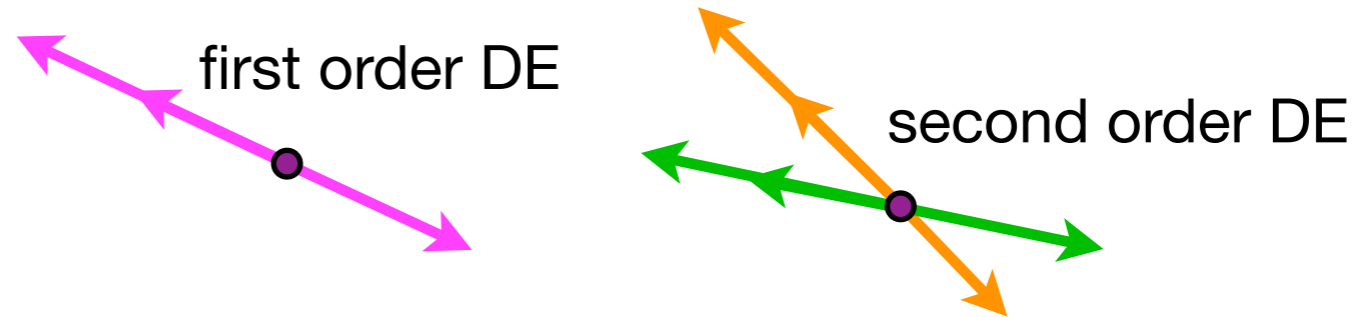


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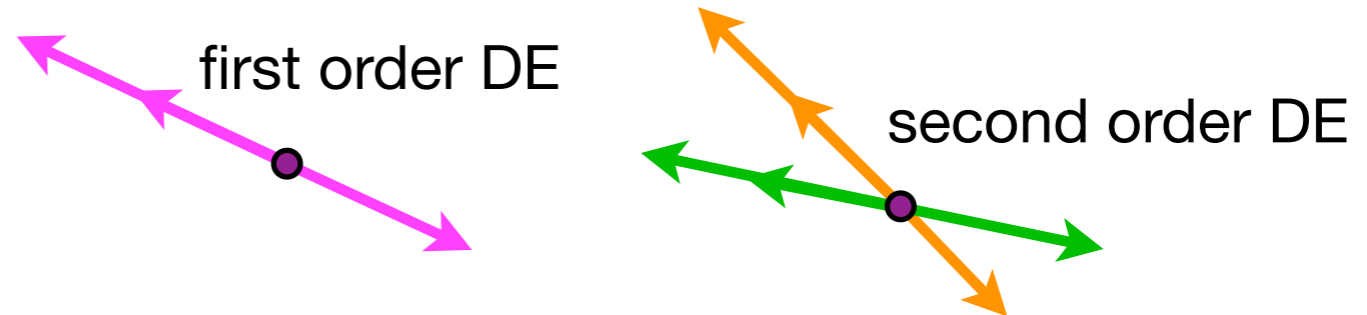
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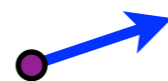
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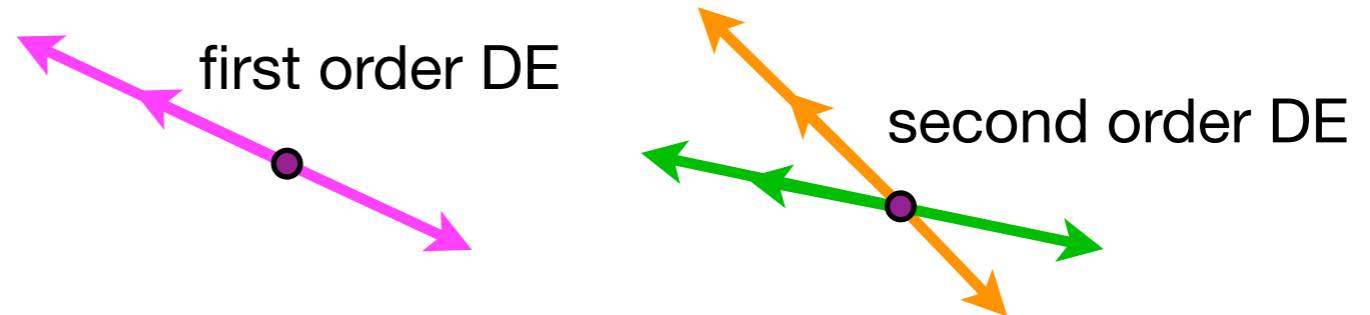
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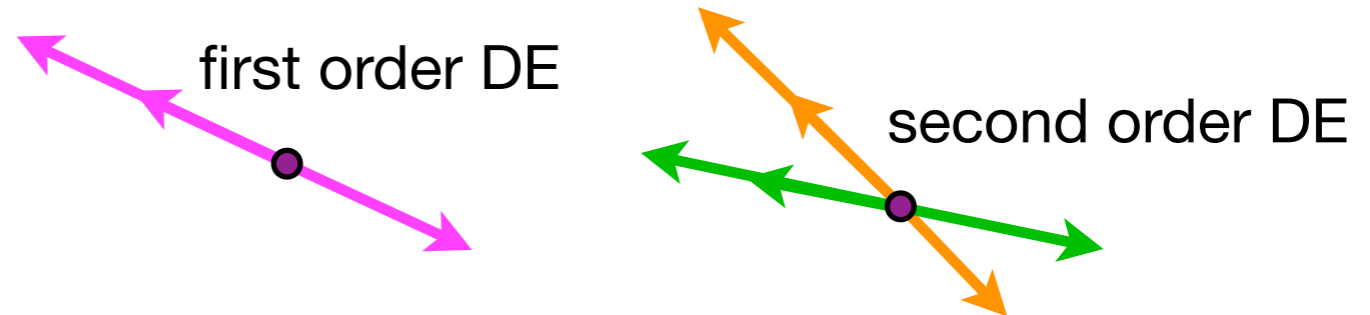
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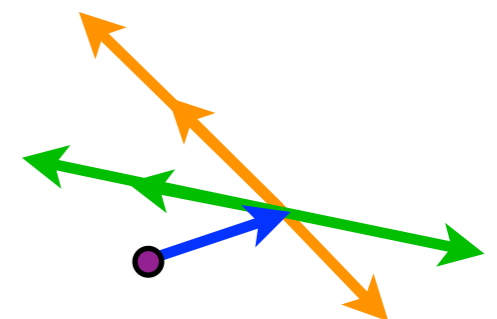


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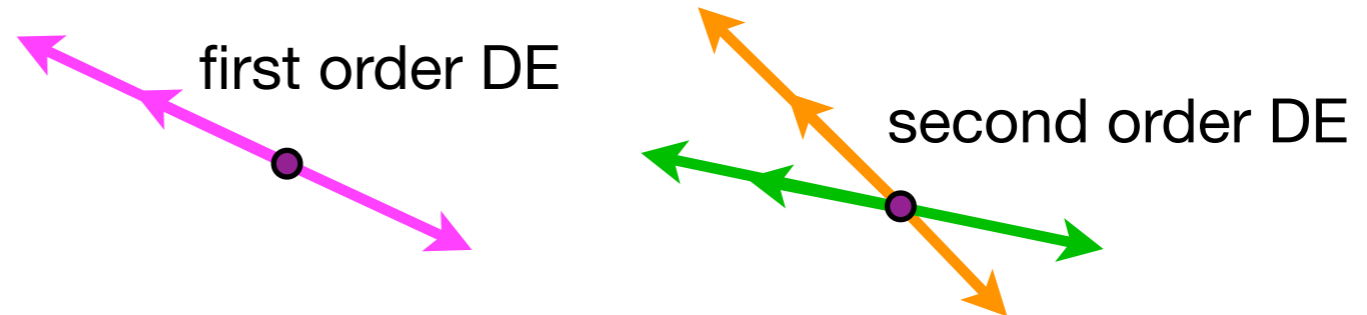
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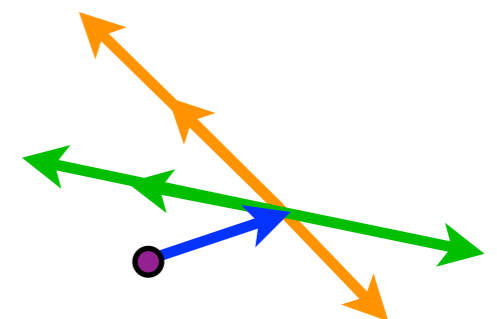


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