



DEVIL PHYSICS
THE BADDEST CLASS ON CAMPUS
AP PHYSICS

GIANCOLI LESSON 3-1 TO 3-3

VECTORS AND SCALARS

ADDITION OF VECTORS – GRAPHICAL METHOD

SUBTRACTION OF VECTORS AND

**MULTIPLICATION OF A VECTOR BY A
SCALAR**

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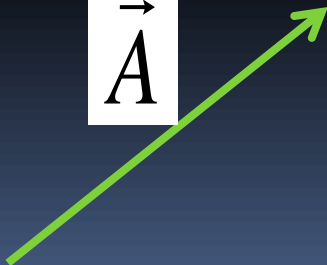


Scalars

- Require only a number to represent them
- No direction involved
- Just a number
- Represents magnitude

Vectors

- Cannot be fully specified without **both** a number (magnitude) **and** direction
- Represented by an arrow from left to right over the variable
- Two vectors are equal only if **both** their magnitude **and** direction are the same



Examples of Vectors and Scalars

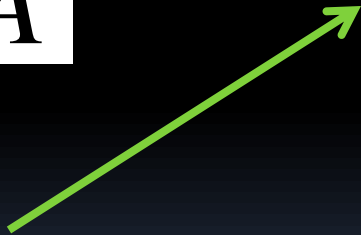
Vectors	Scalars
Displacement	Distance
Velocity	Speed
Acceleration	Mass
Force	Time
Weight	Density
Electric field	Electric potential
Magnetic field	Energy
Gravitational field	Gravitational potential
Torque	Temperature
Area	Volume
Momentum	Electric charge
Angular velocity	Work

Table 4.1 Examples of vectors and scalars.

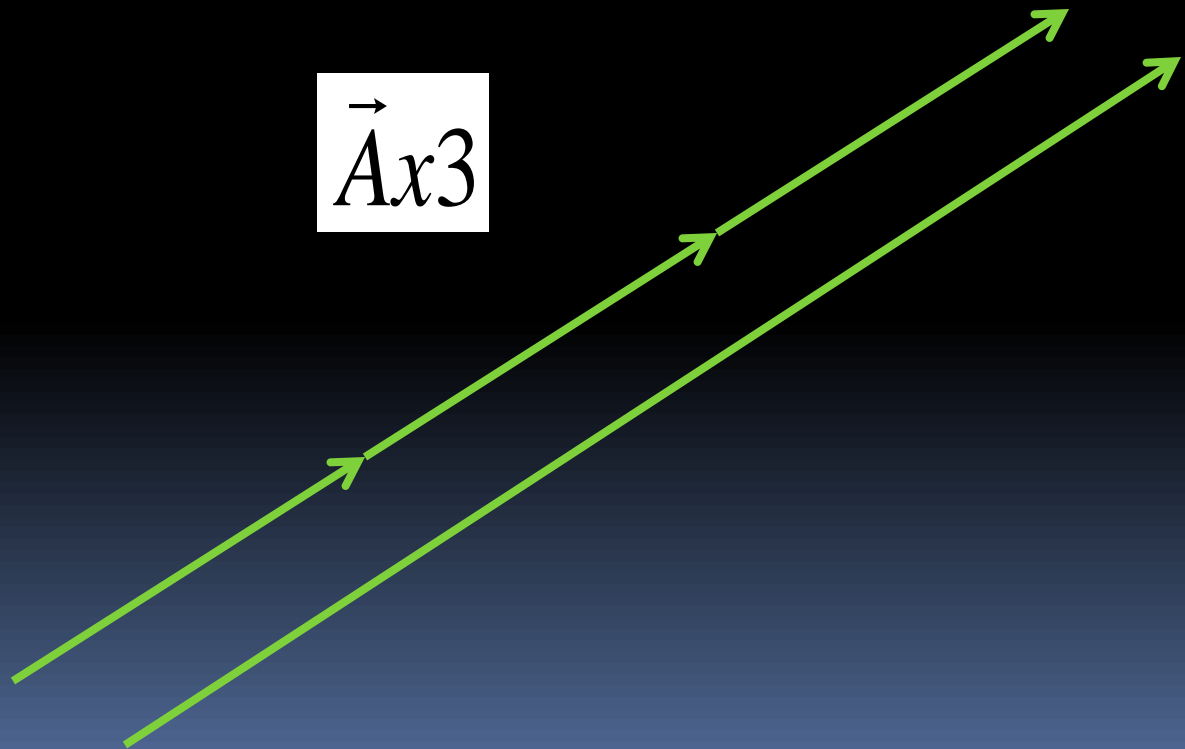
Multiplying a Vector by a Scalar

- Multiplication of a vector by a scalar only affects the magnitude and not the direction

\vec{A}



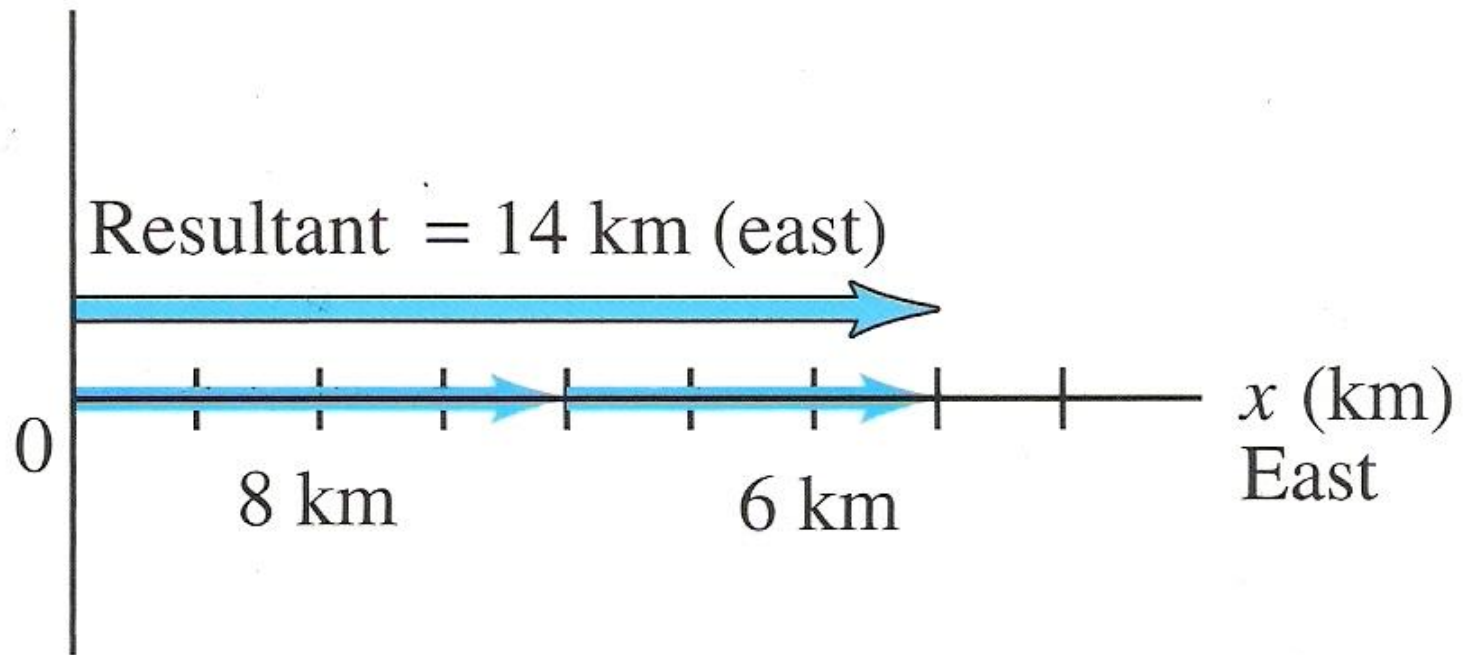
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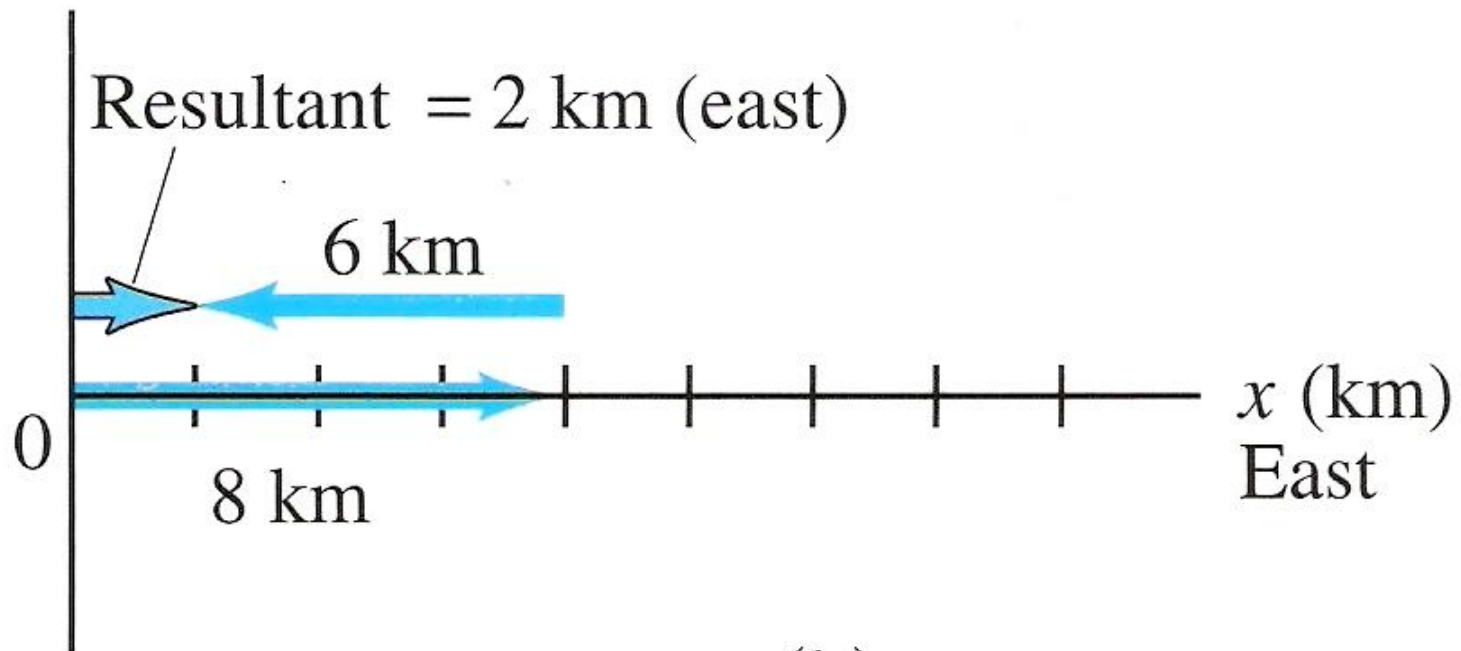


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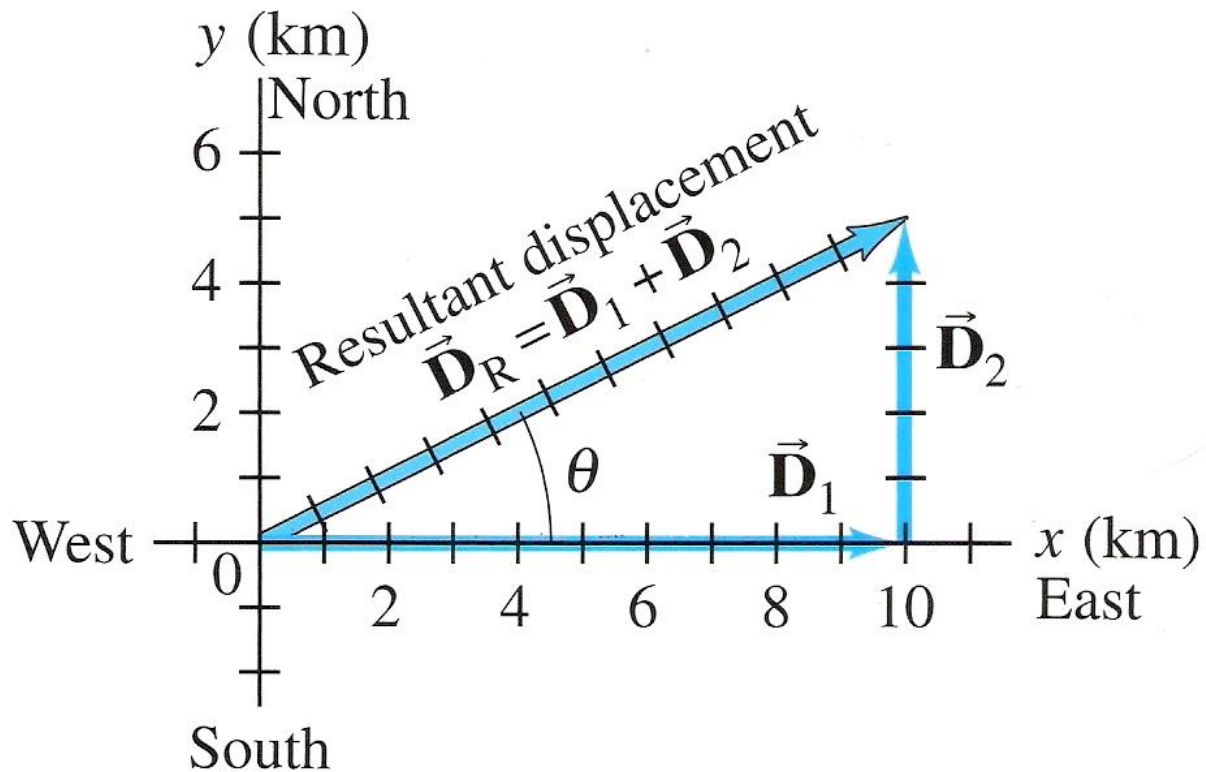
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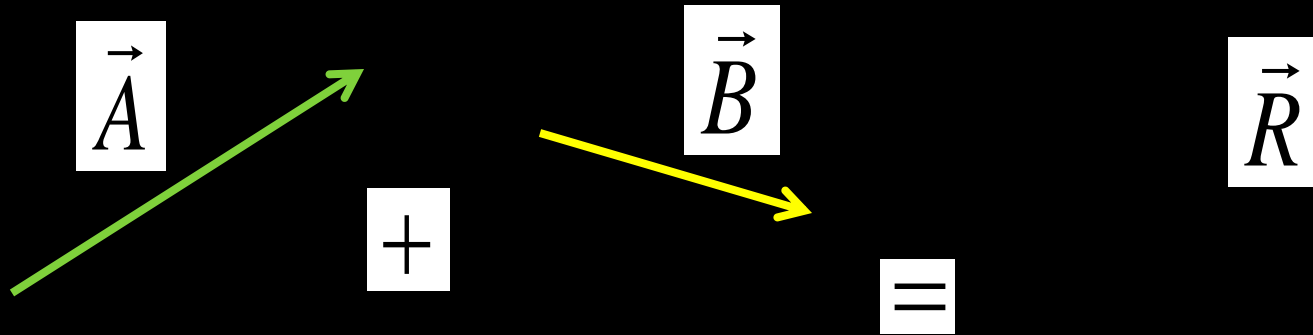
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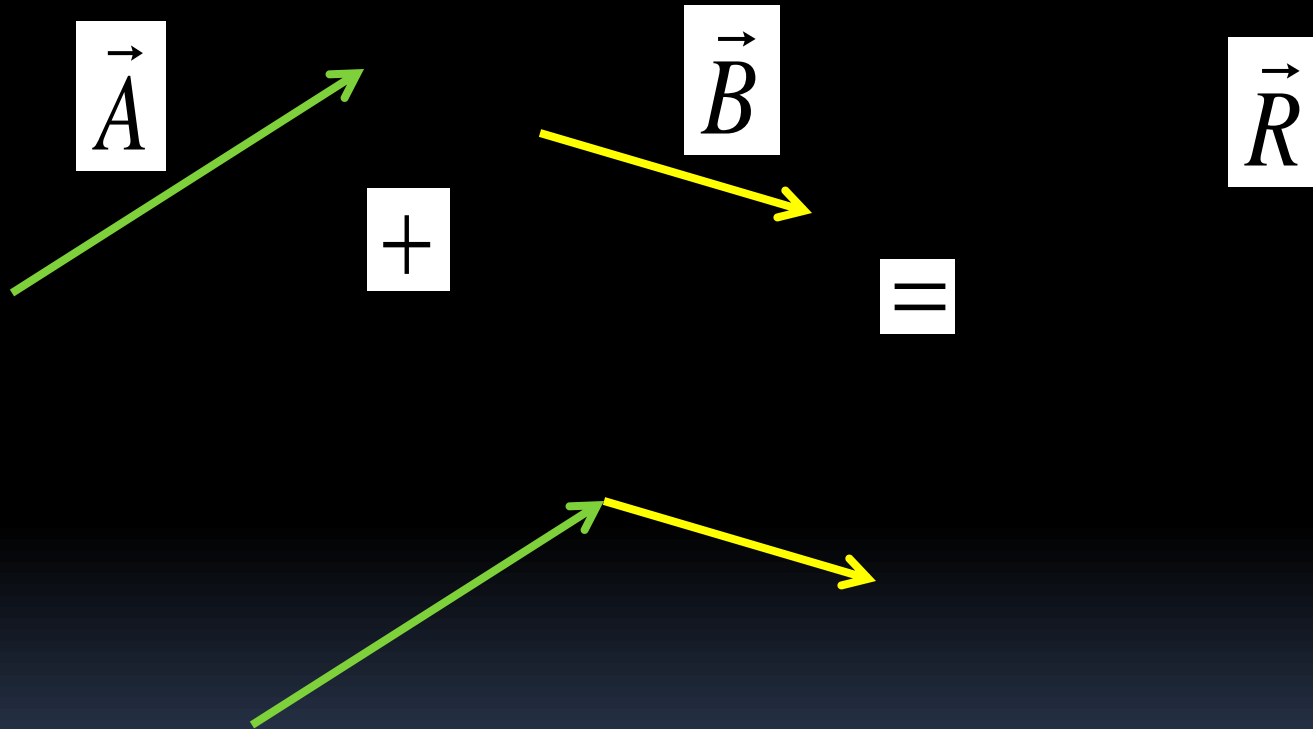
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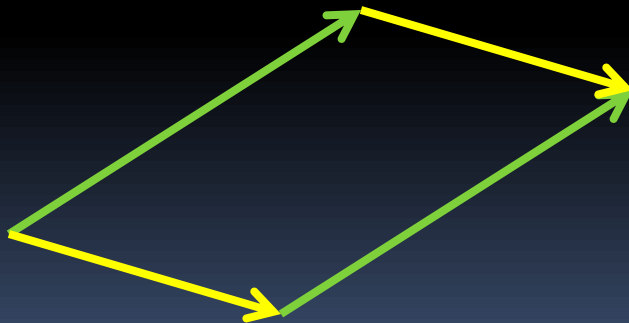
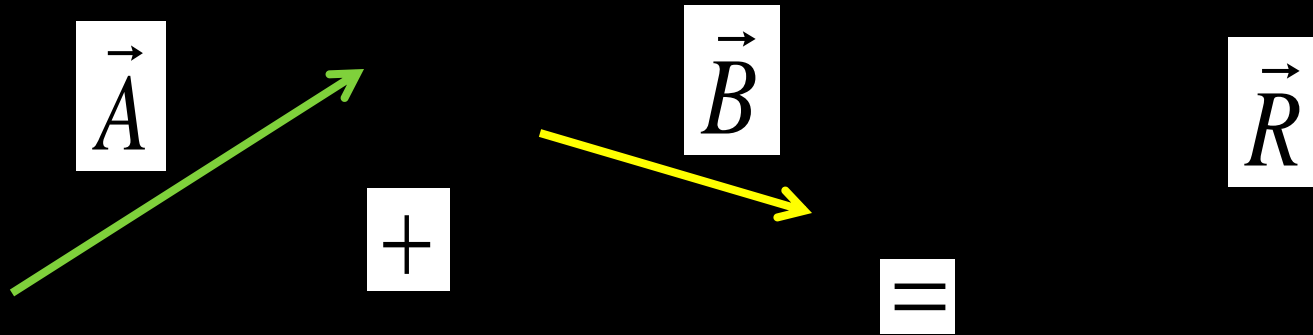
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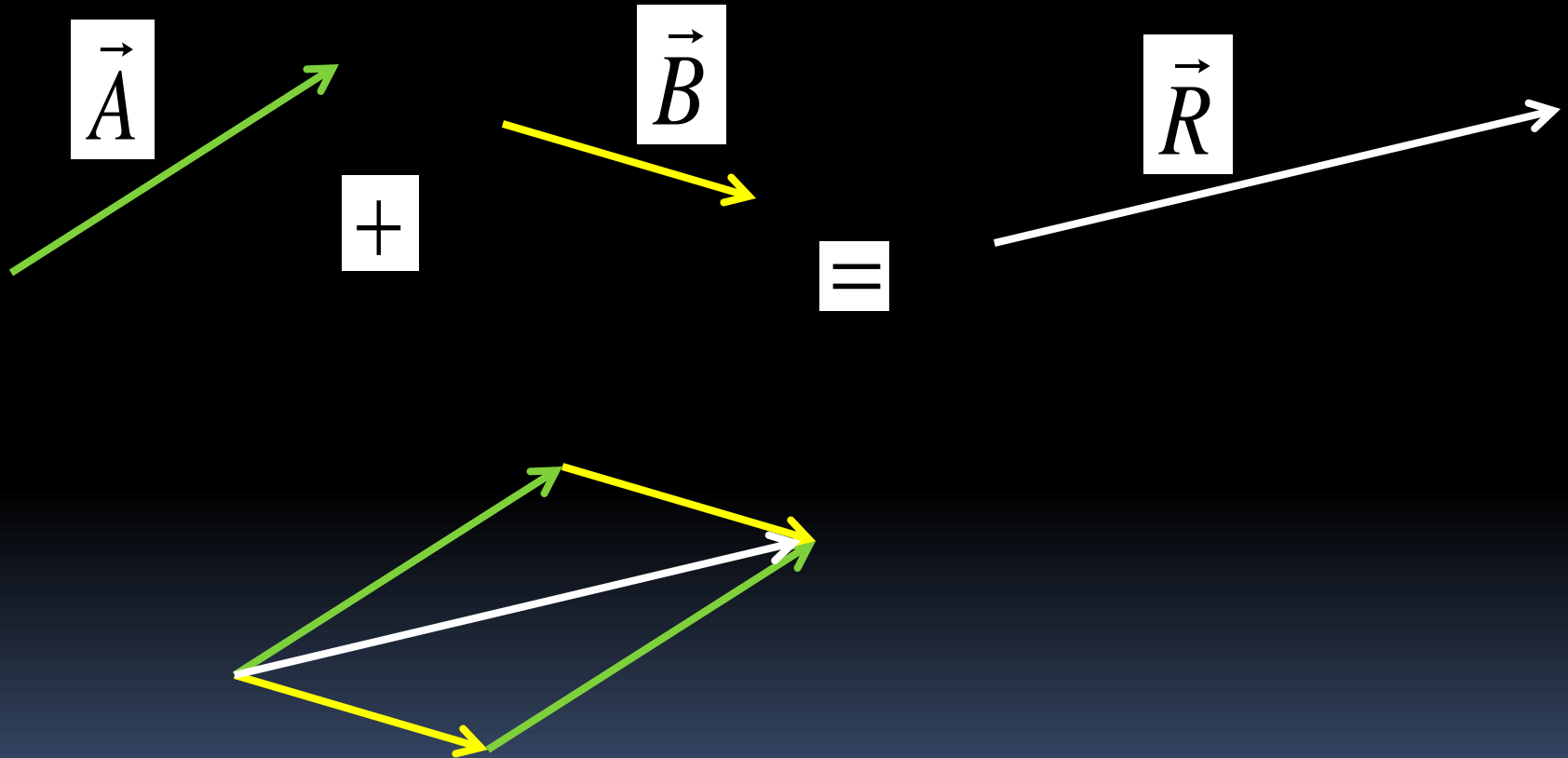
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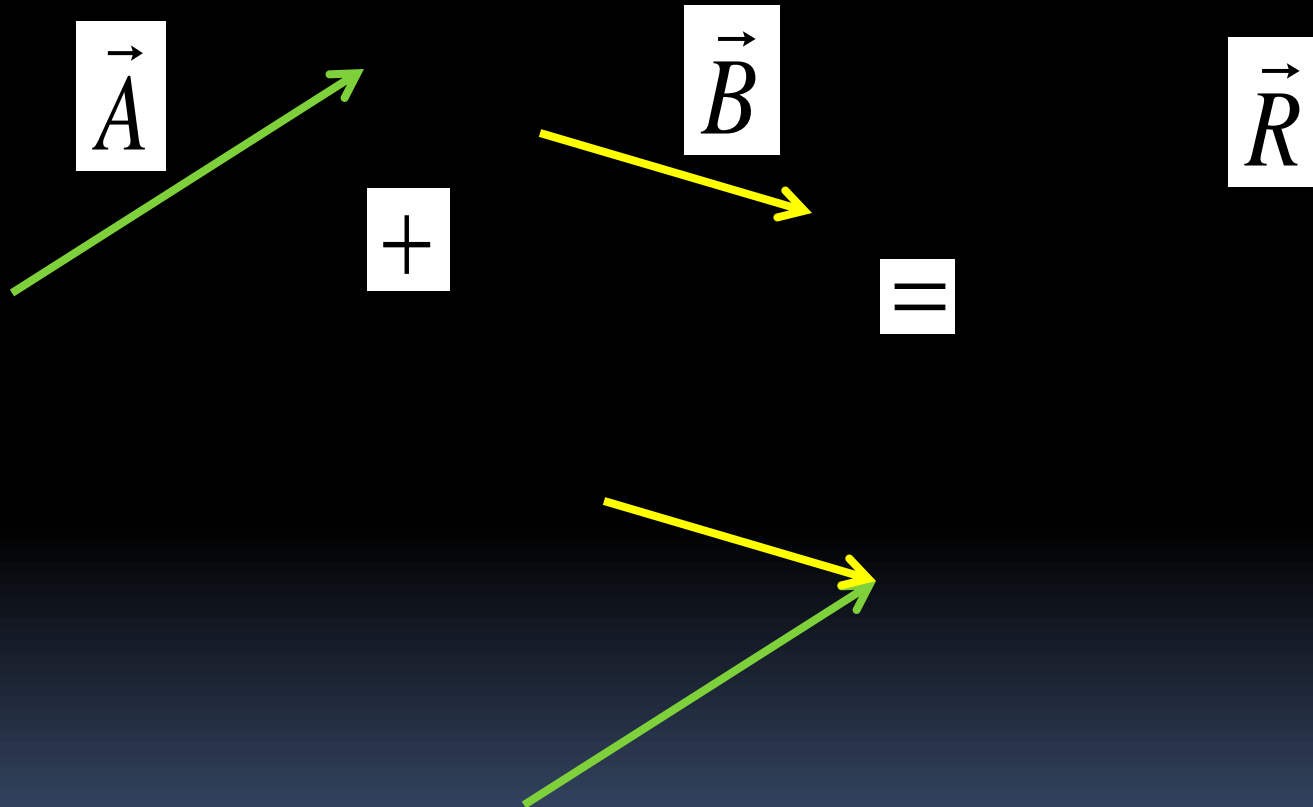
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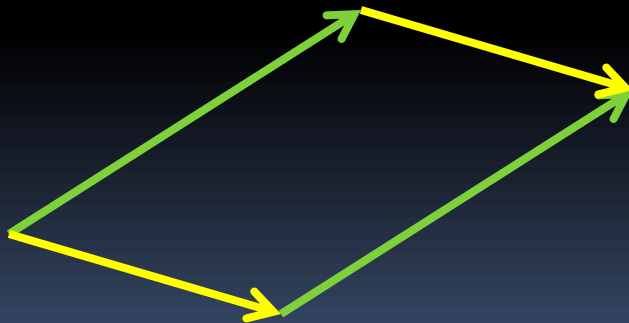
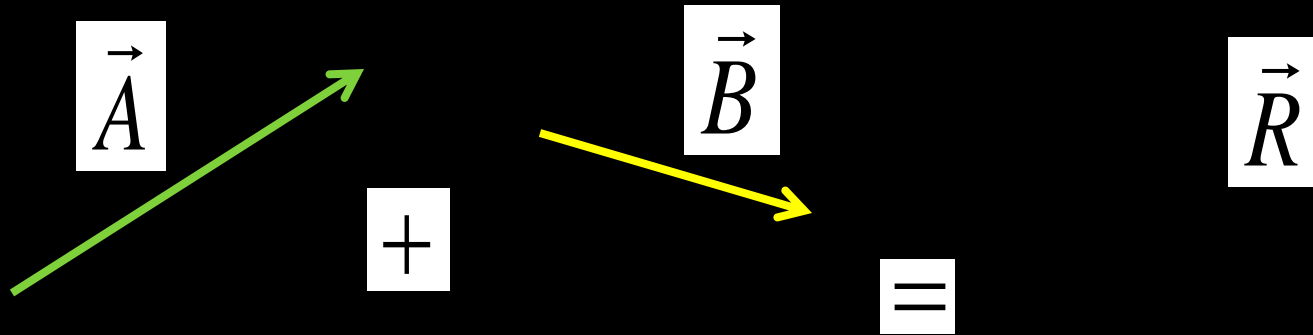
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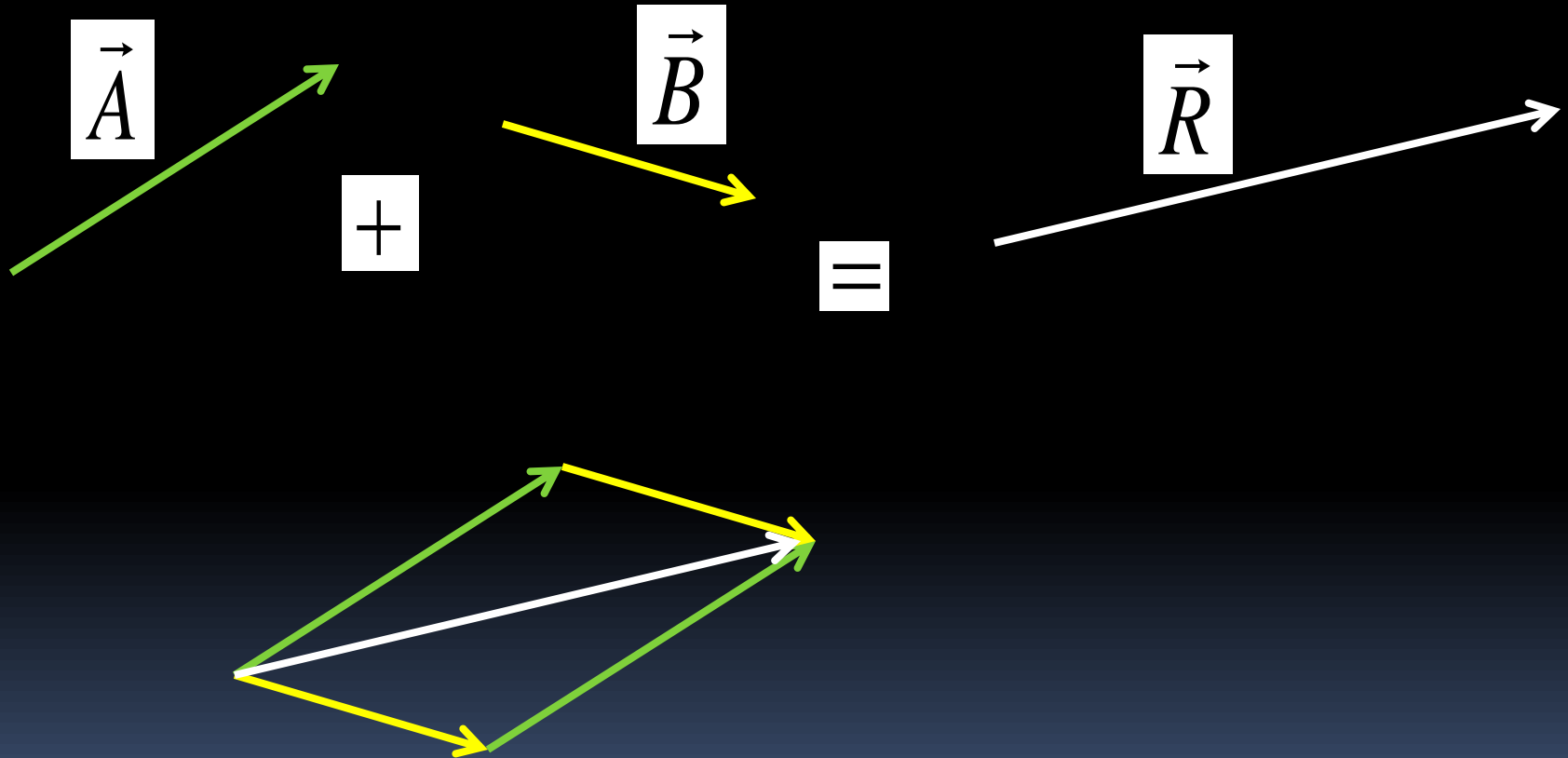
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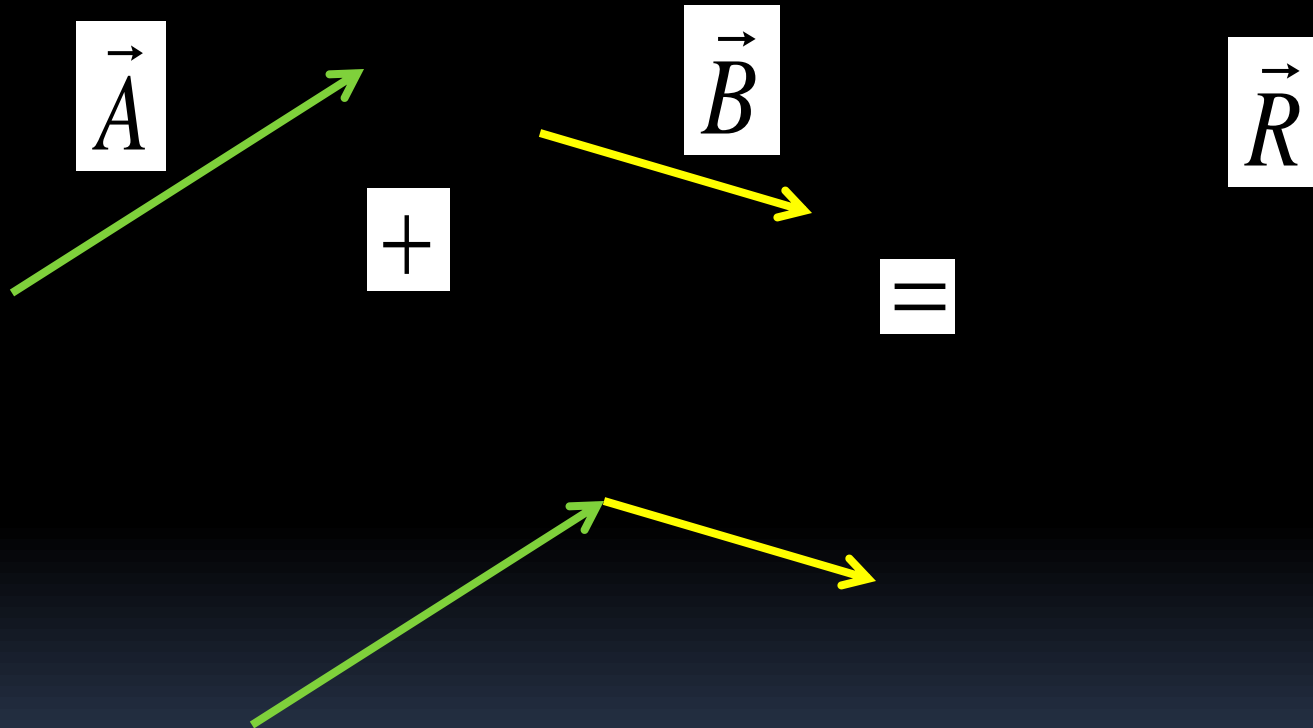


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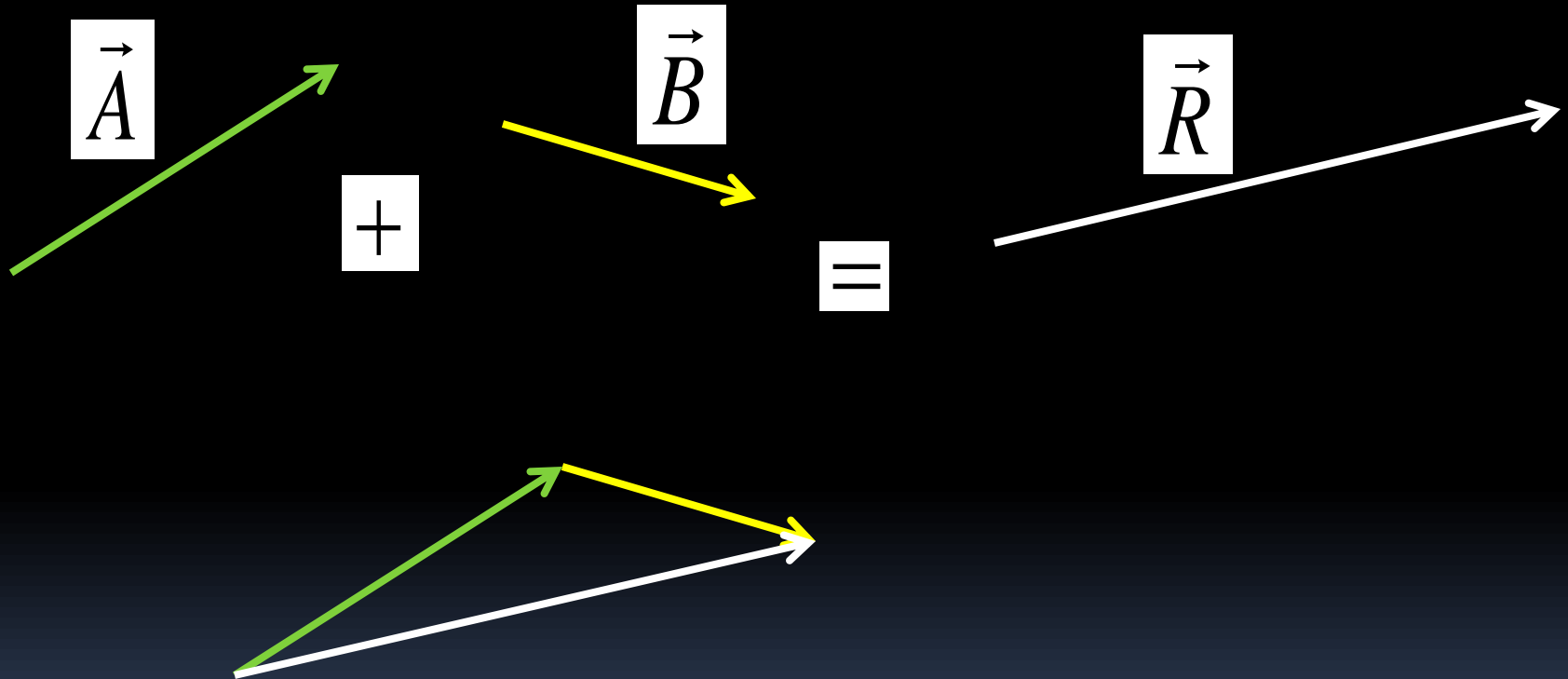
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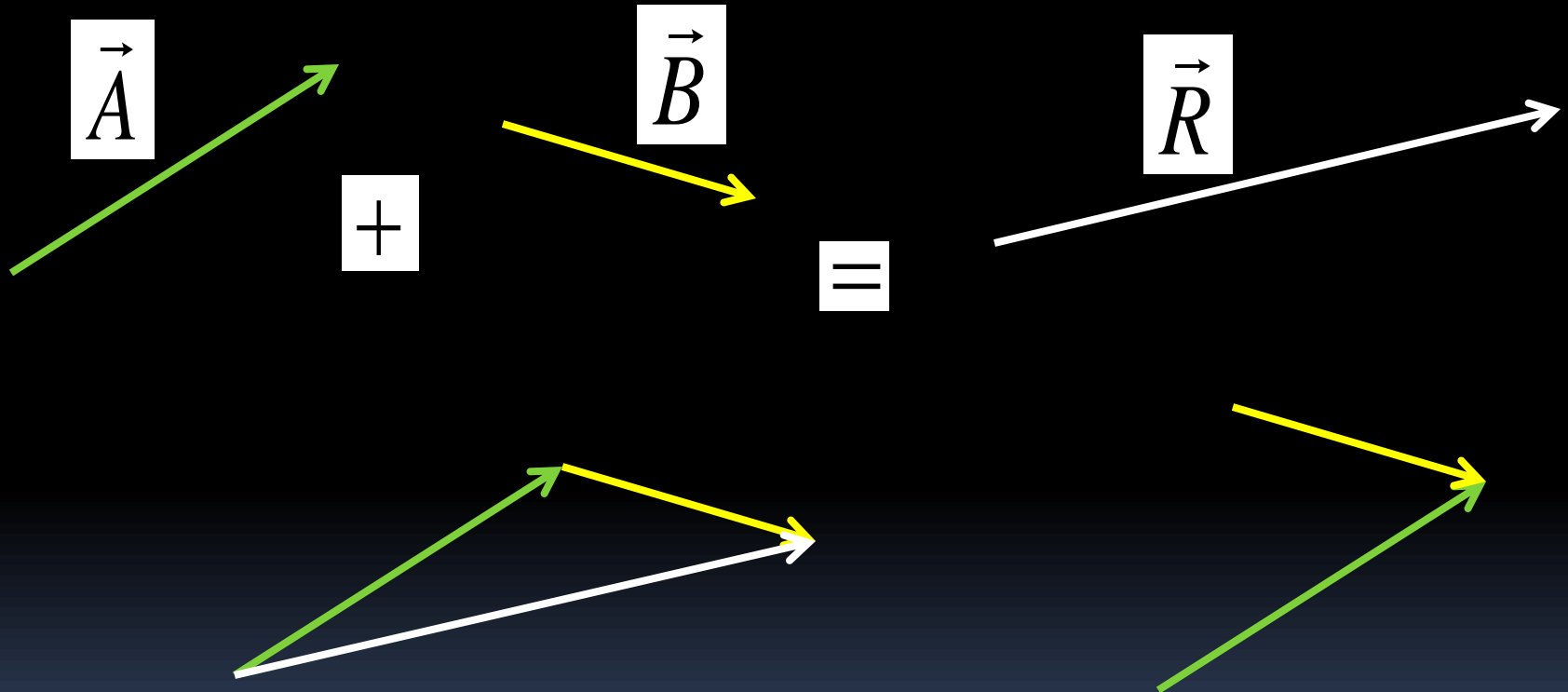
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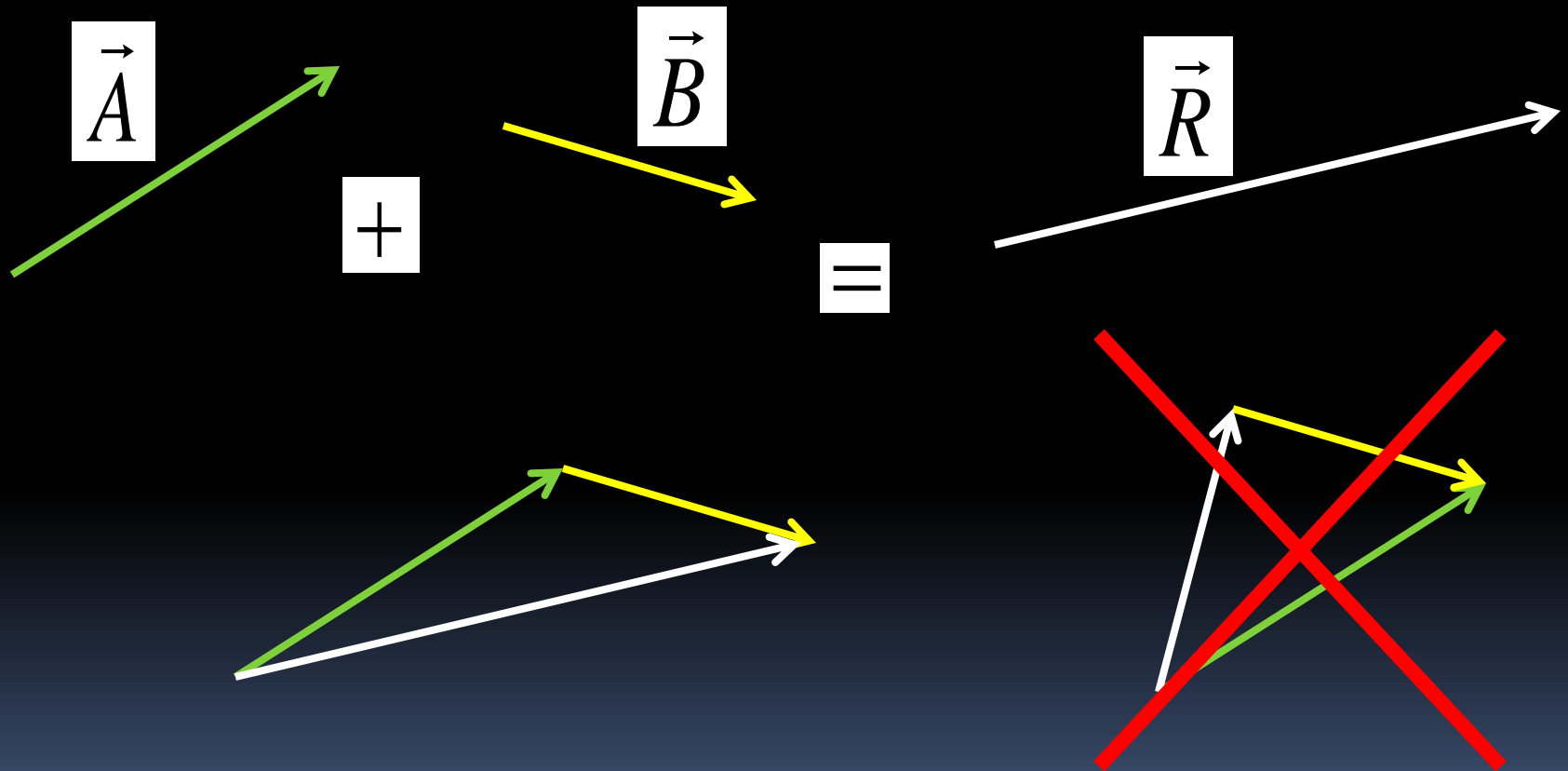
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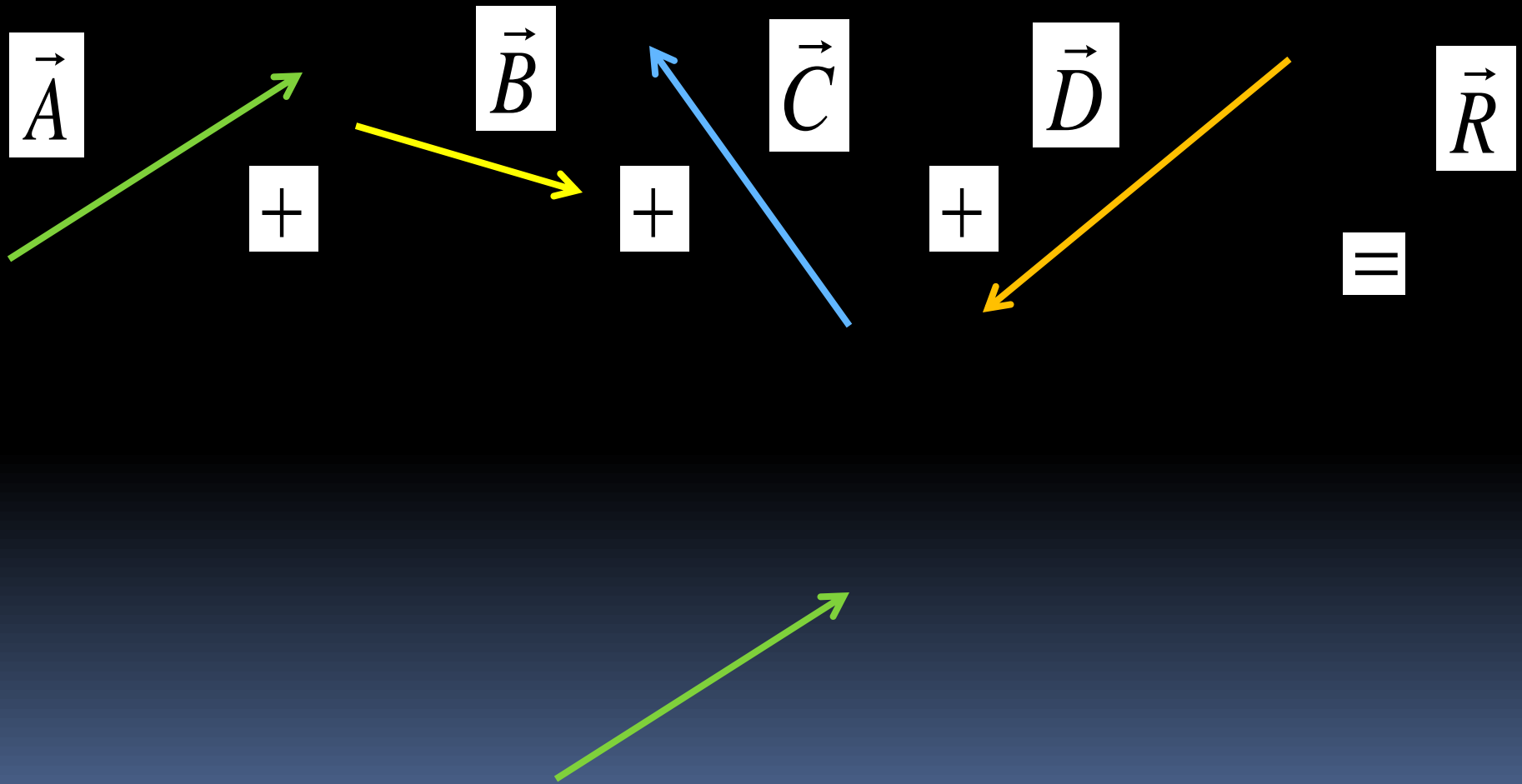
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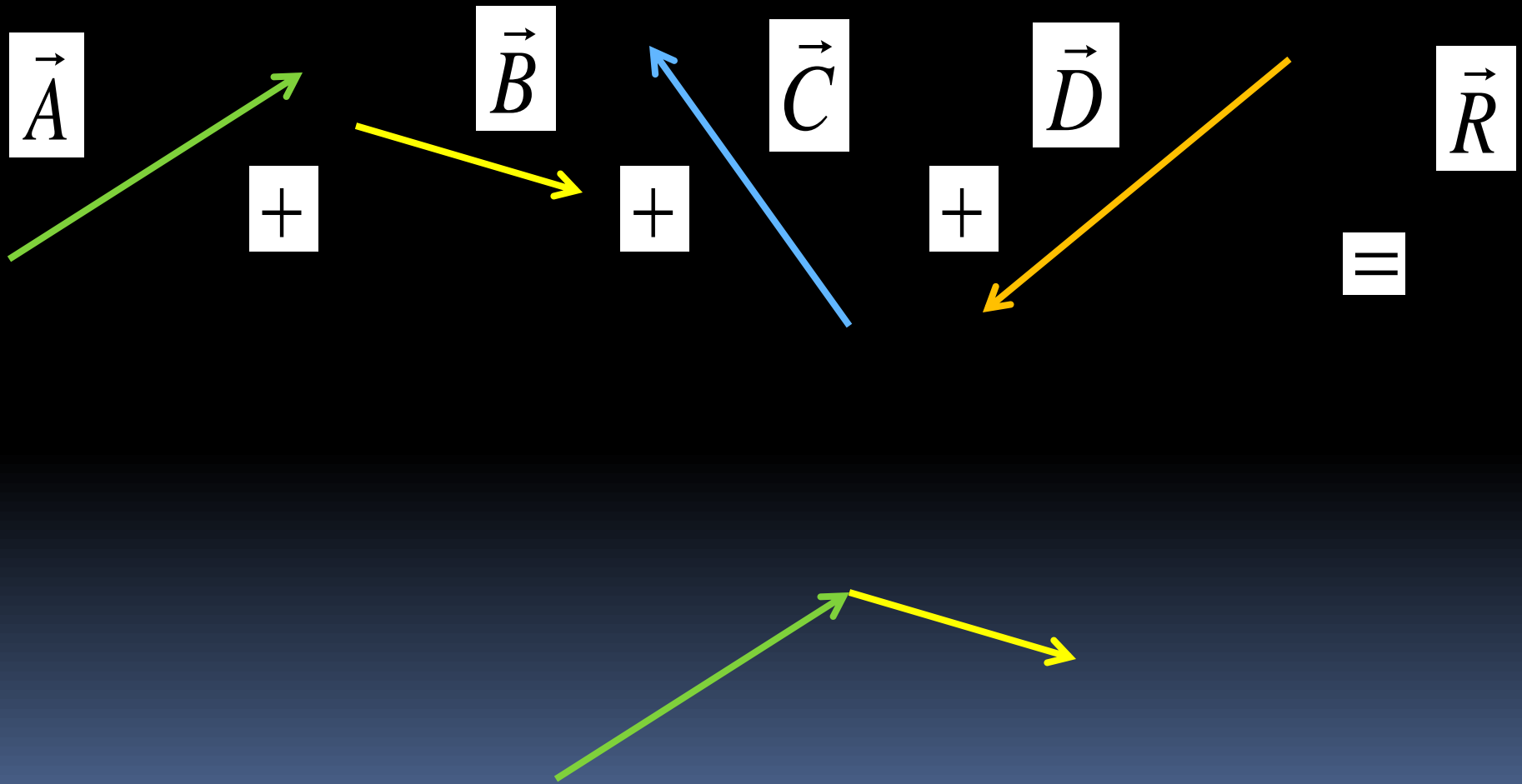
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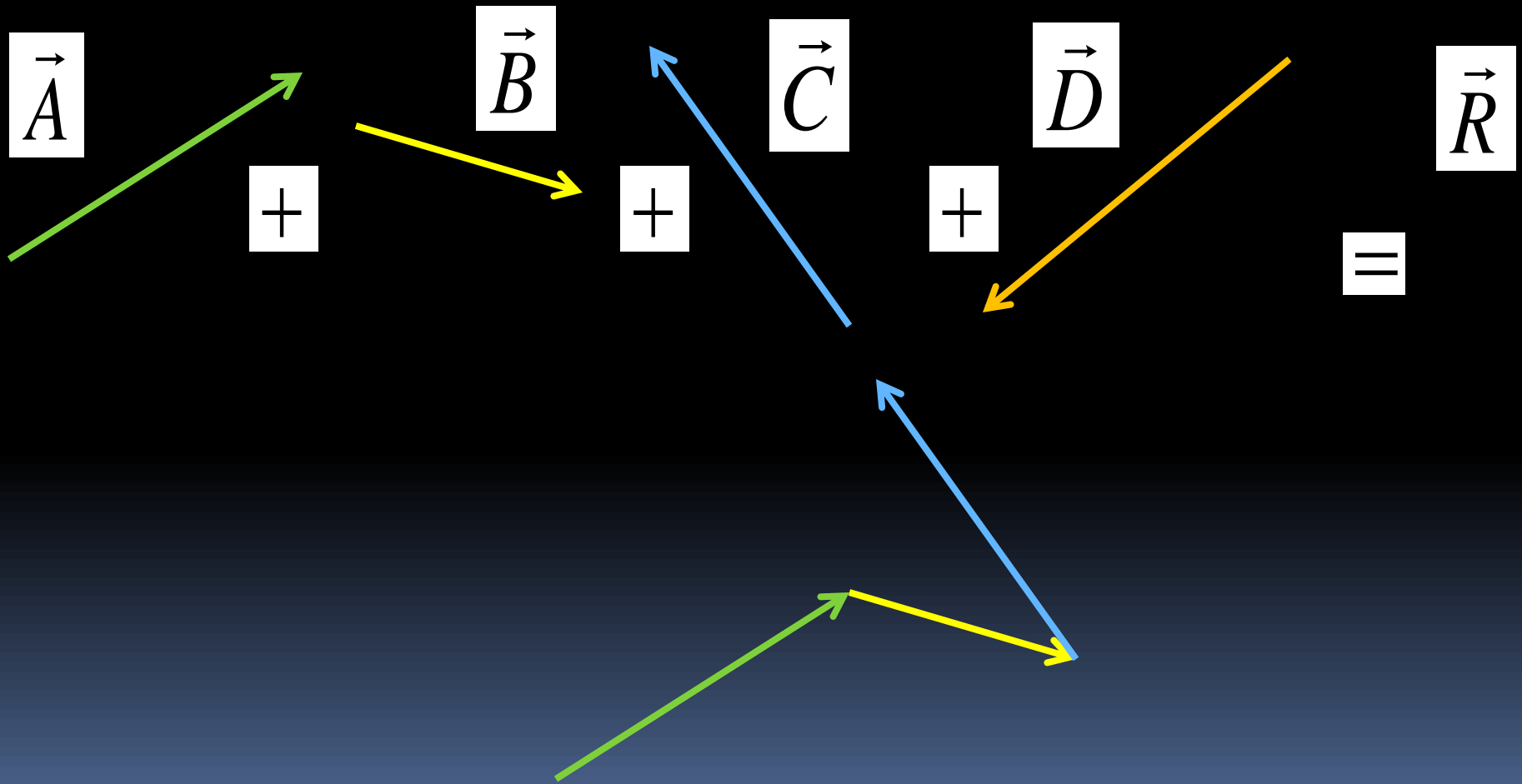
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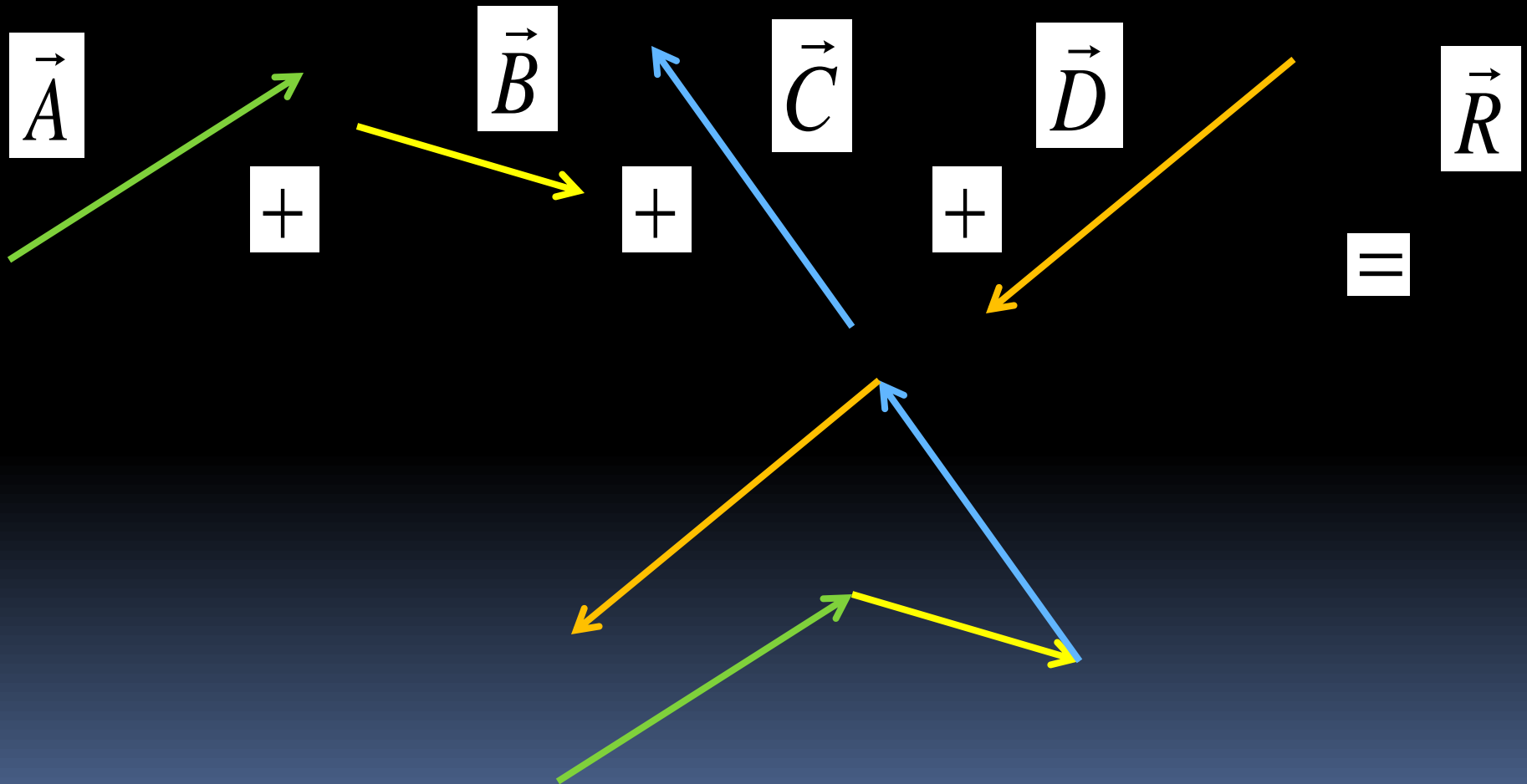
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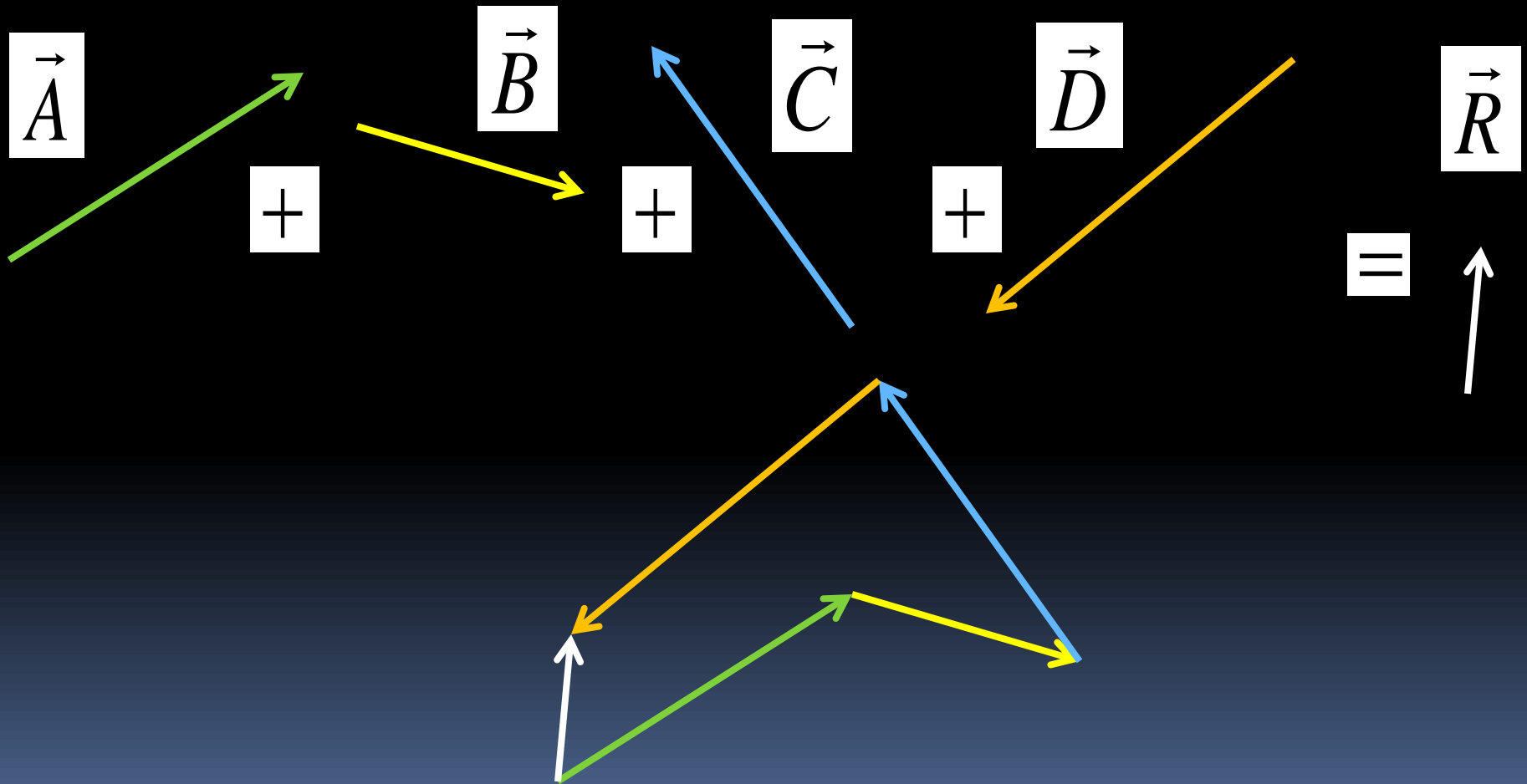
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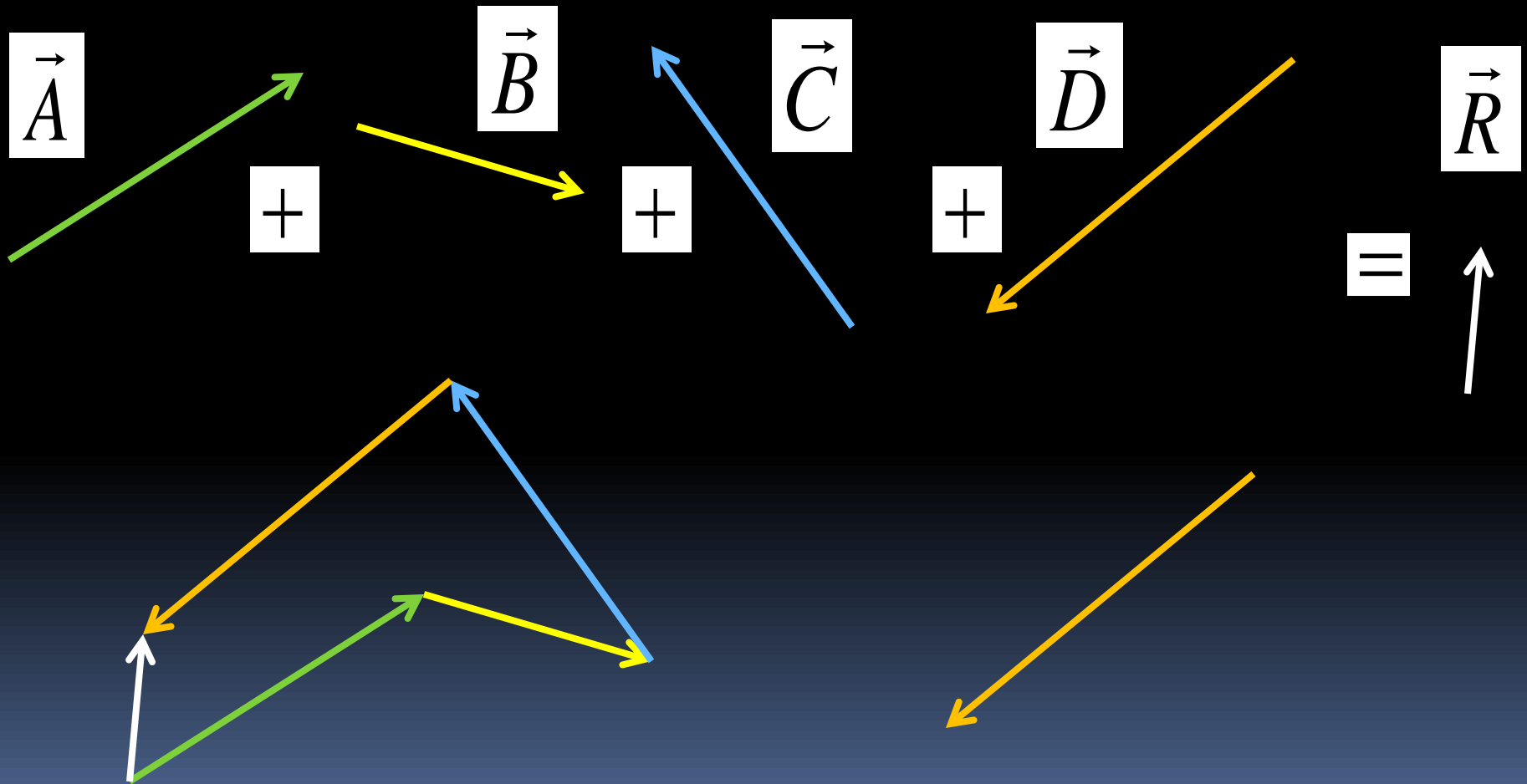
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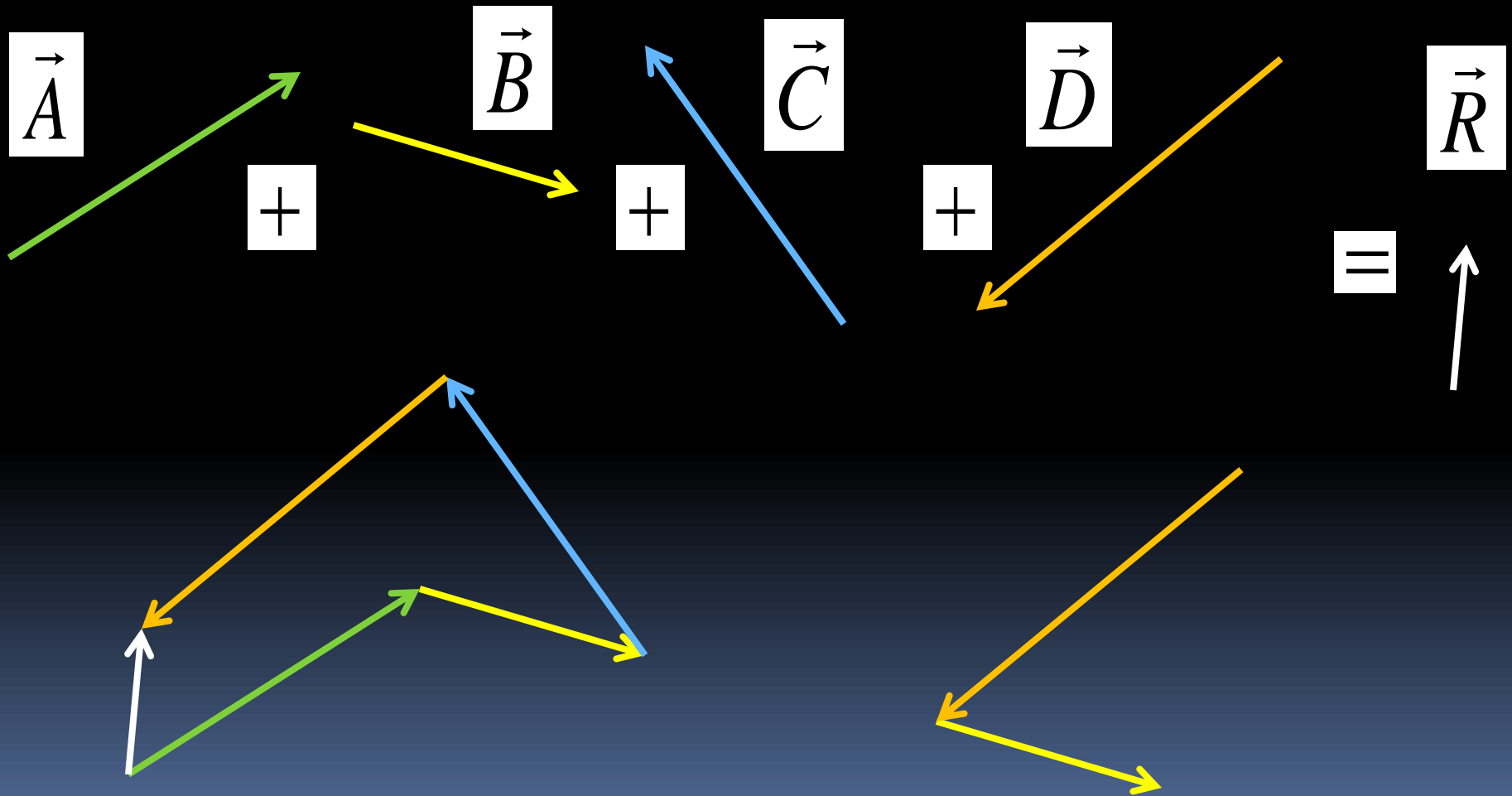
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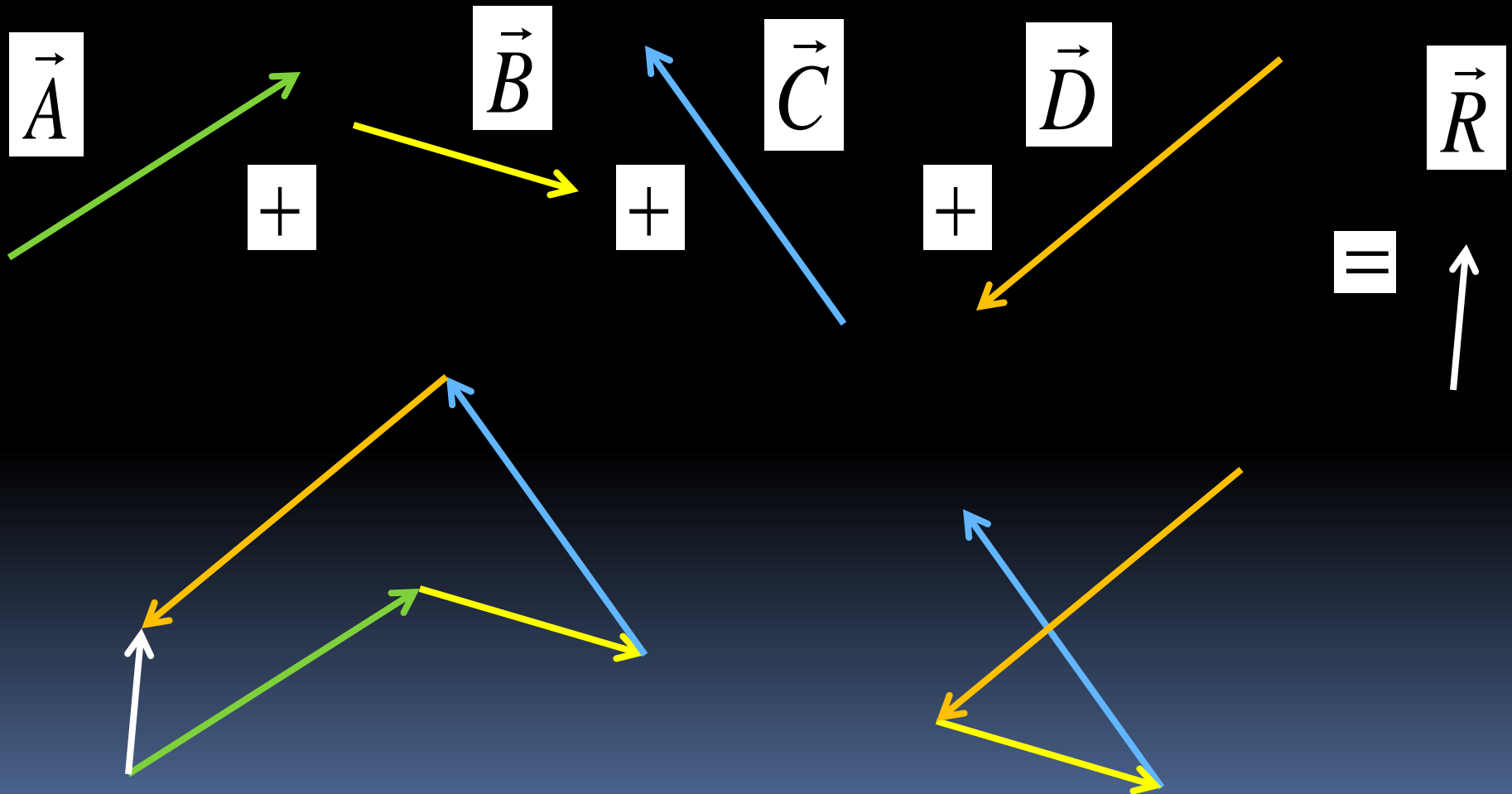
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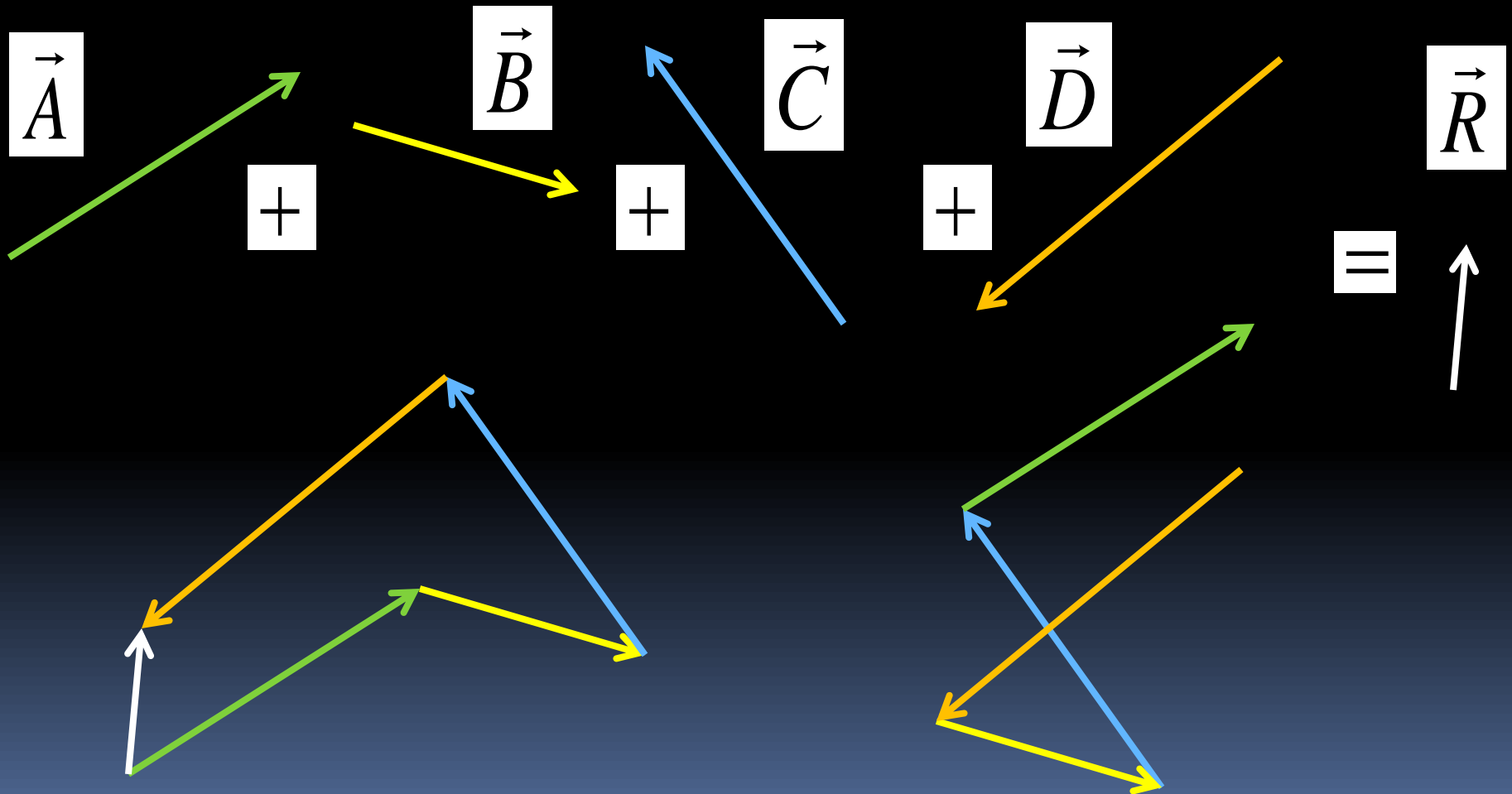
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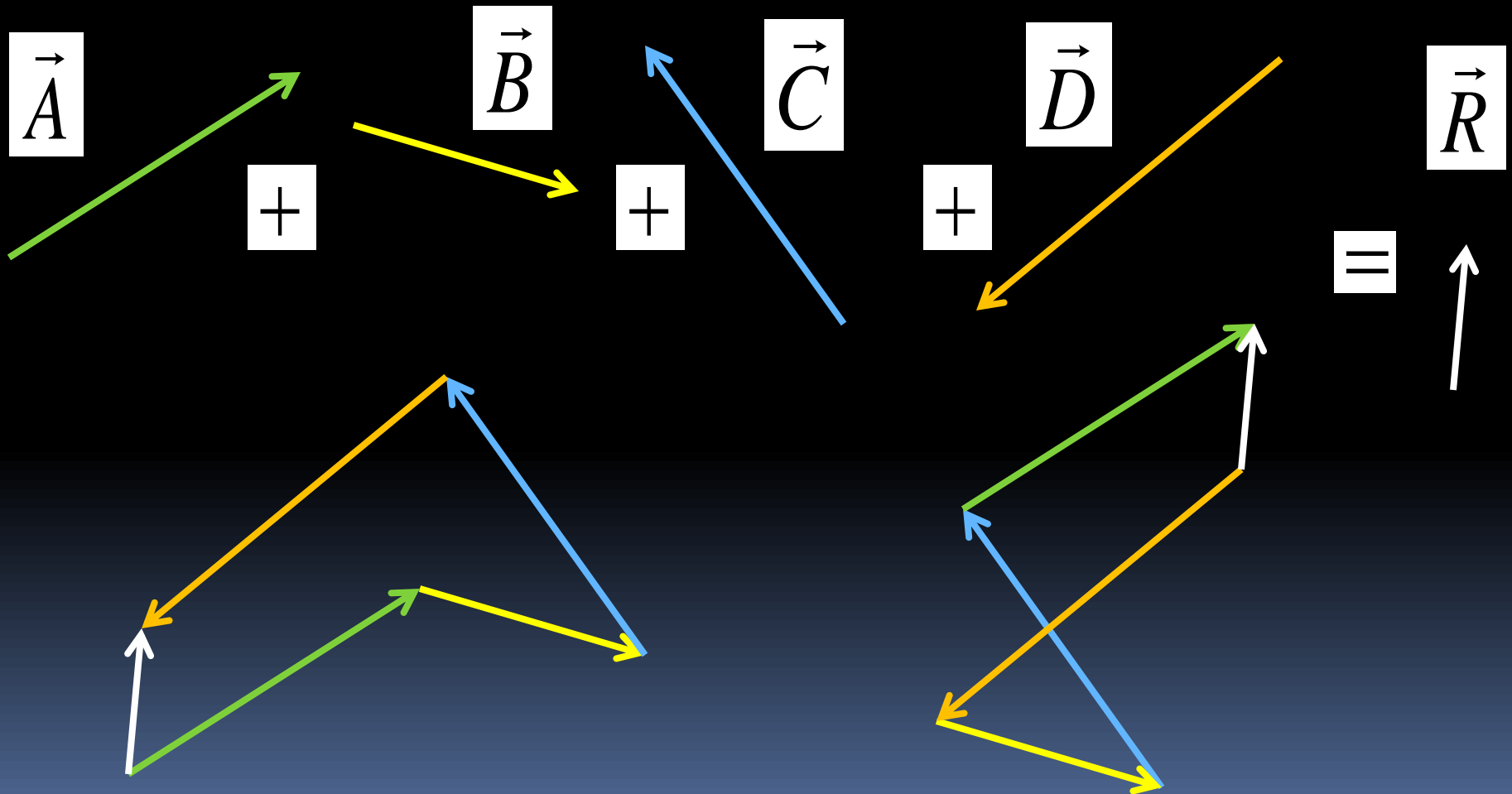
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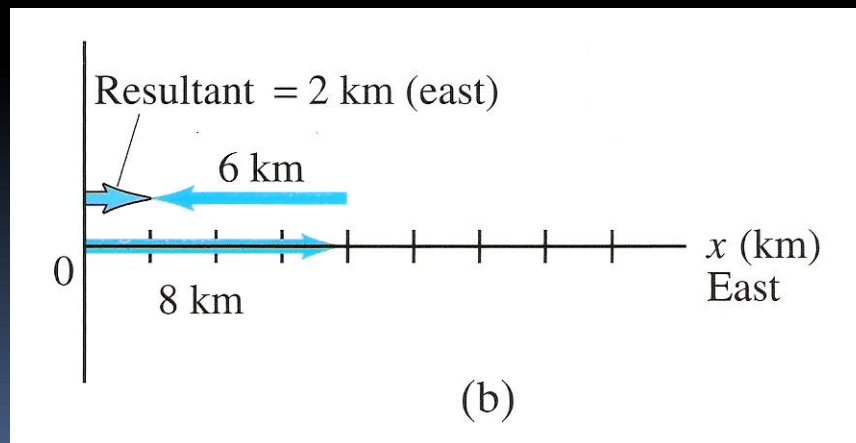
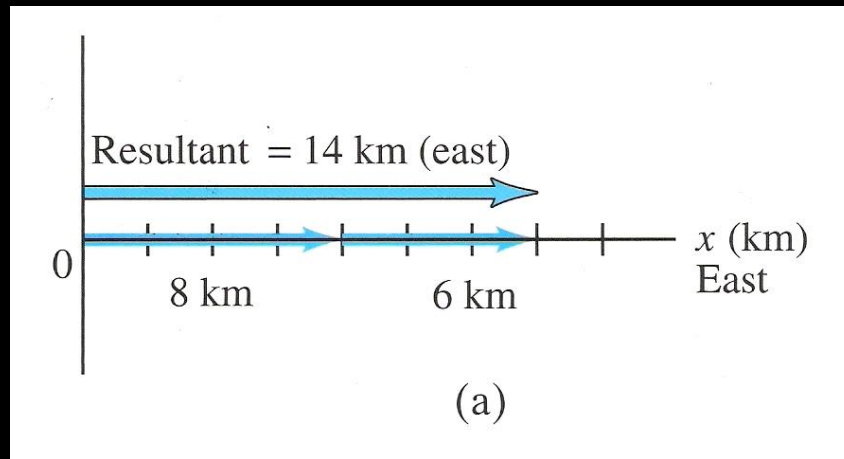


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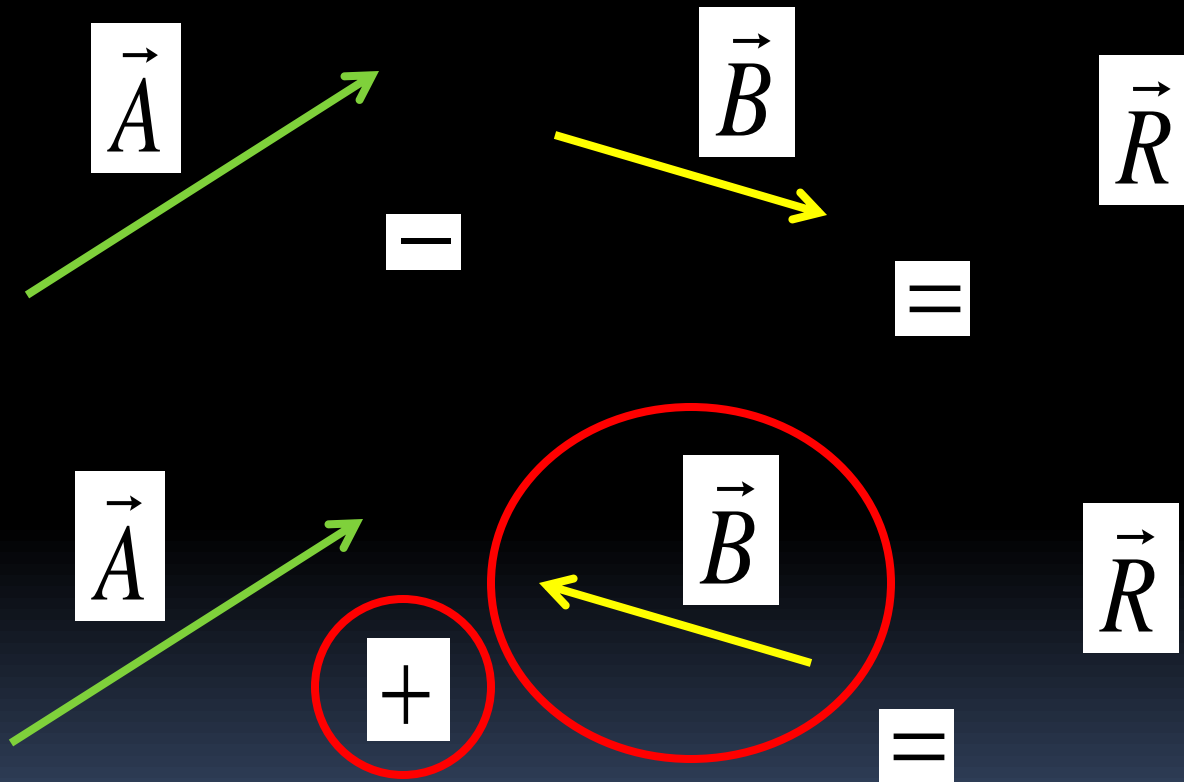
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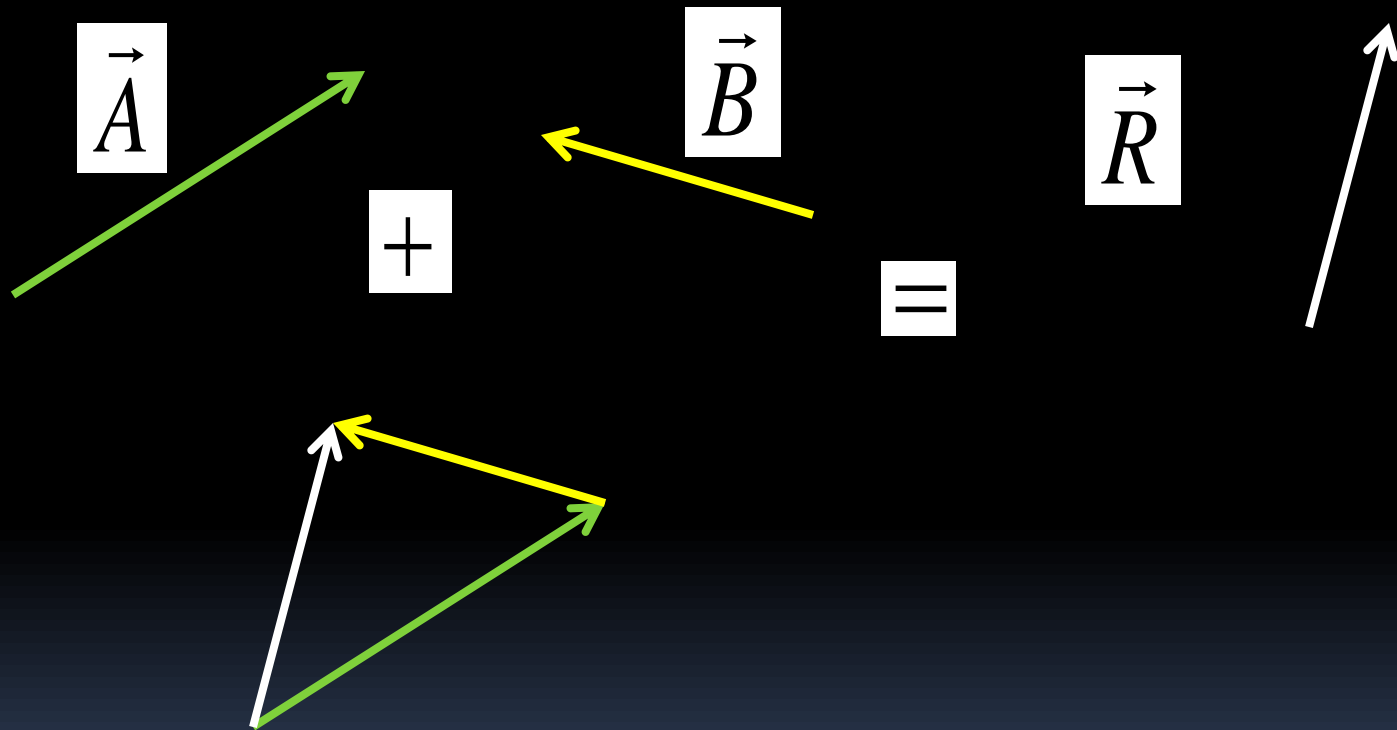
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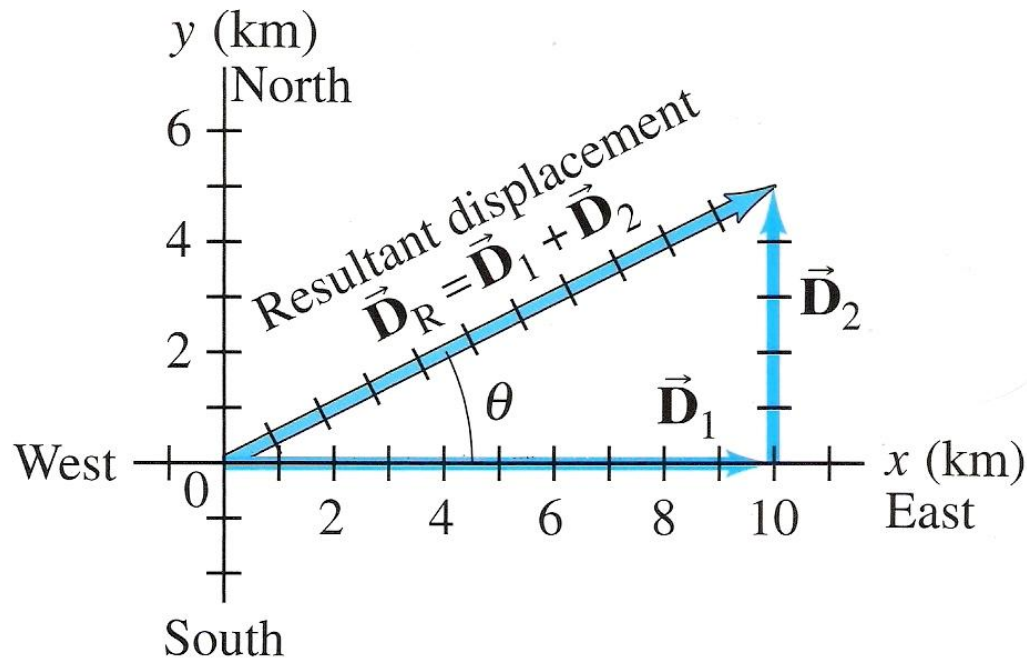


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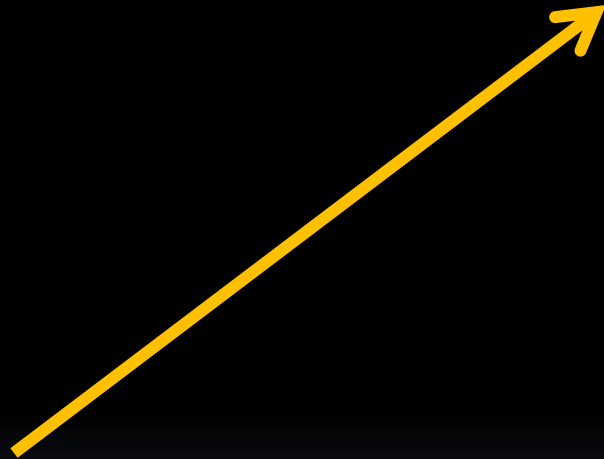


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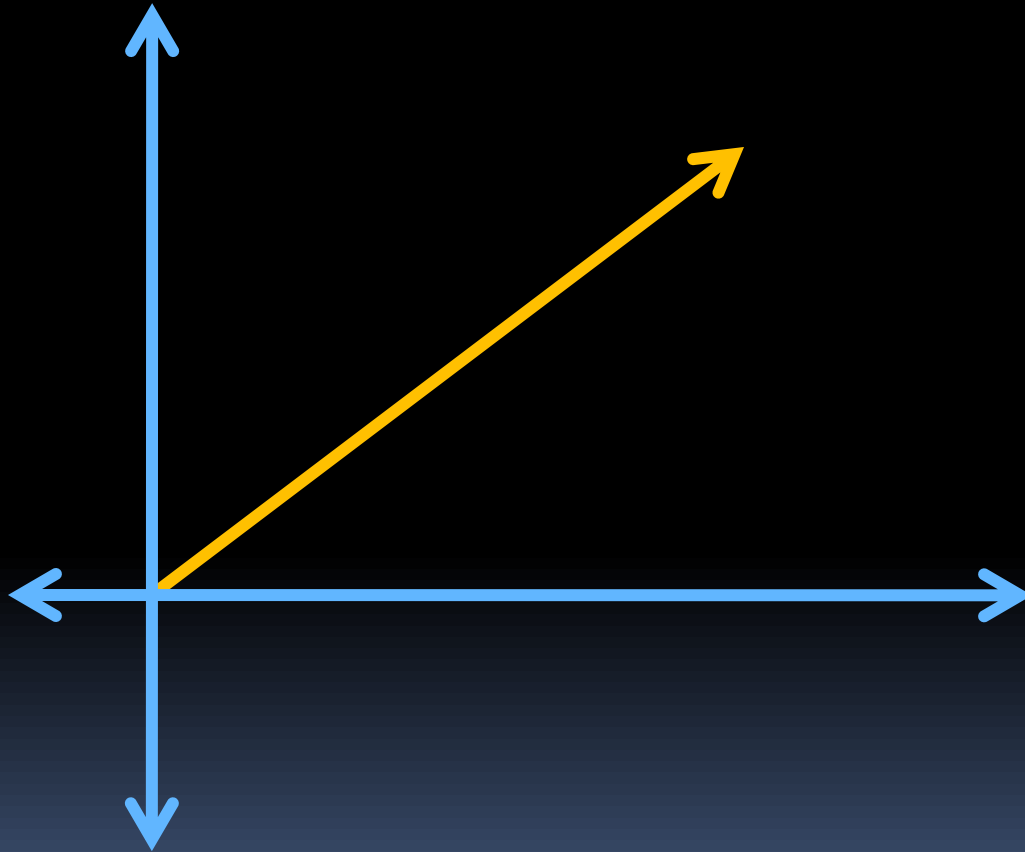
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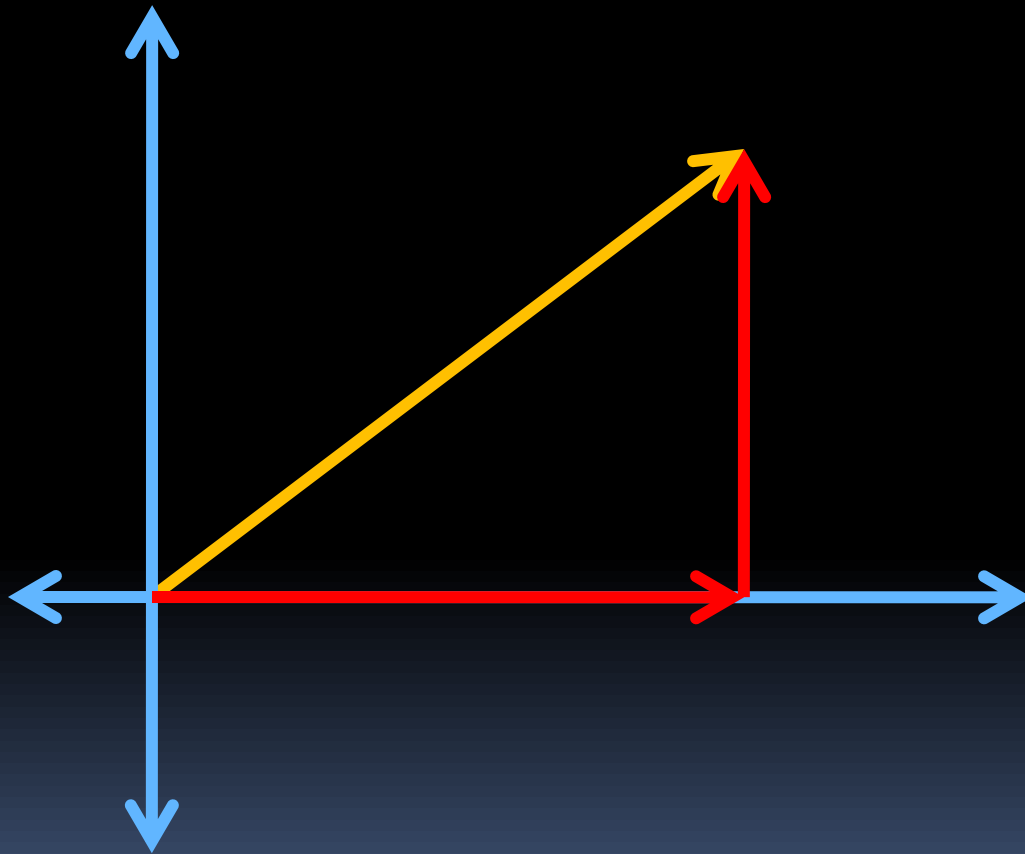
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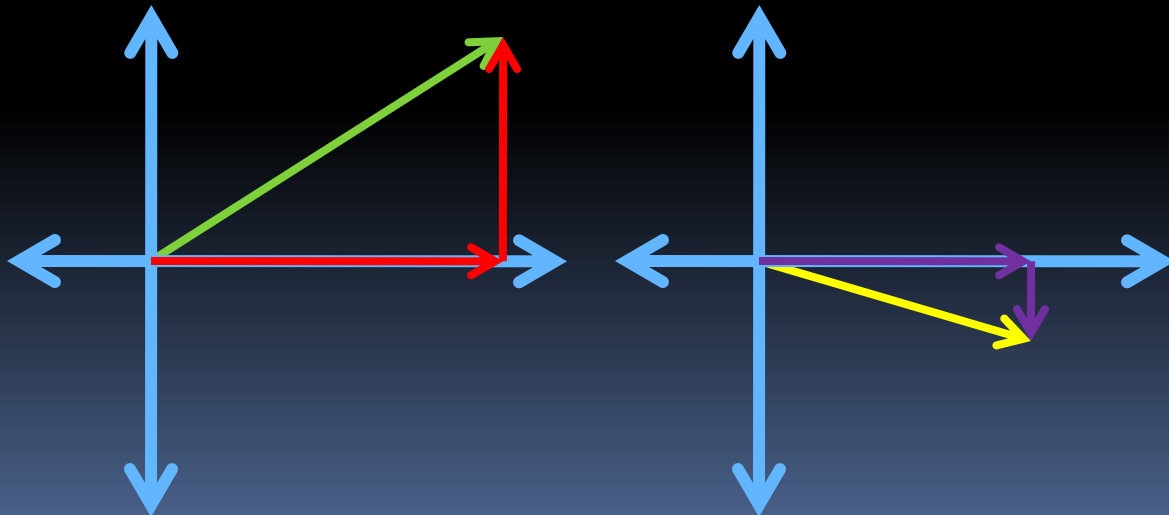
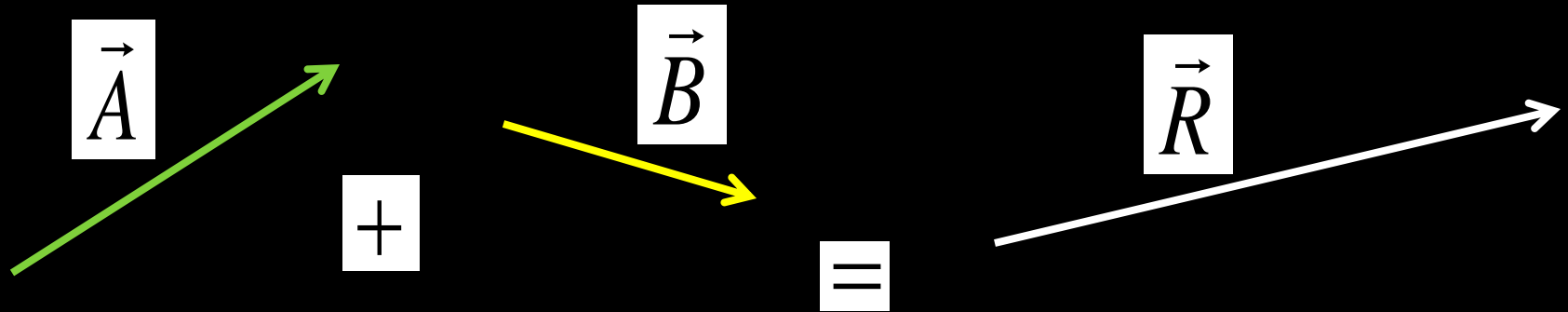
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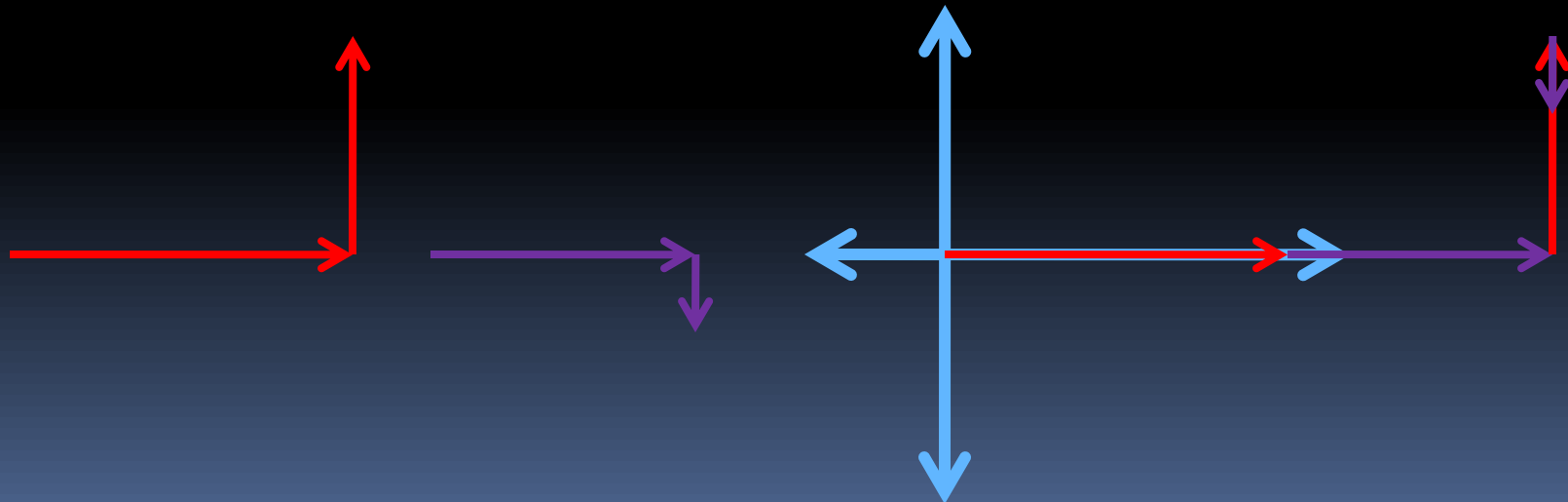
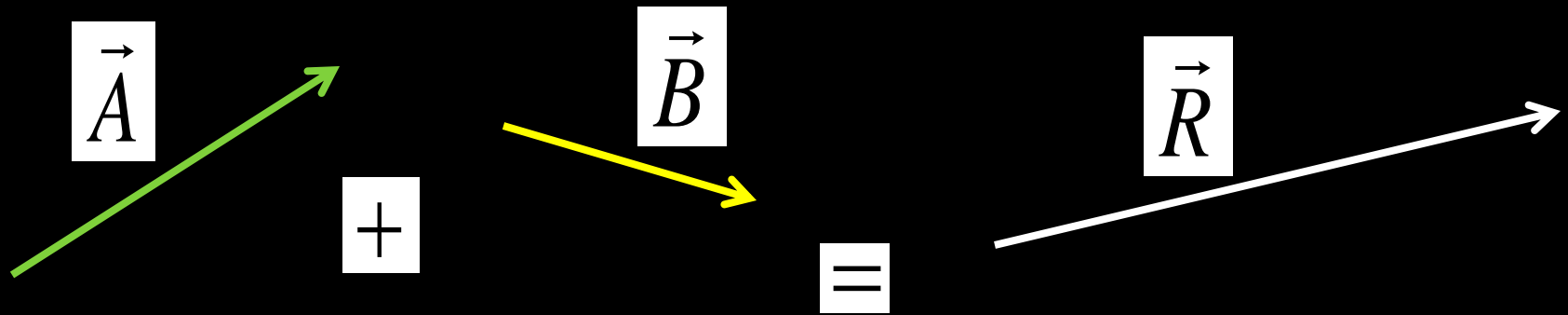
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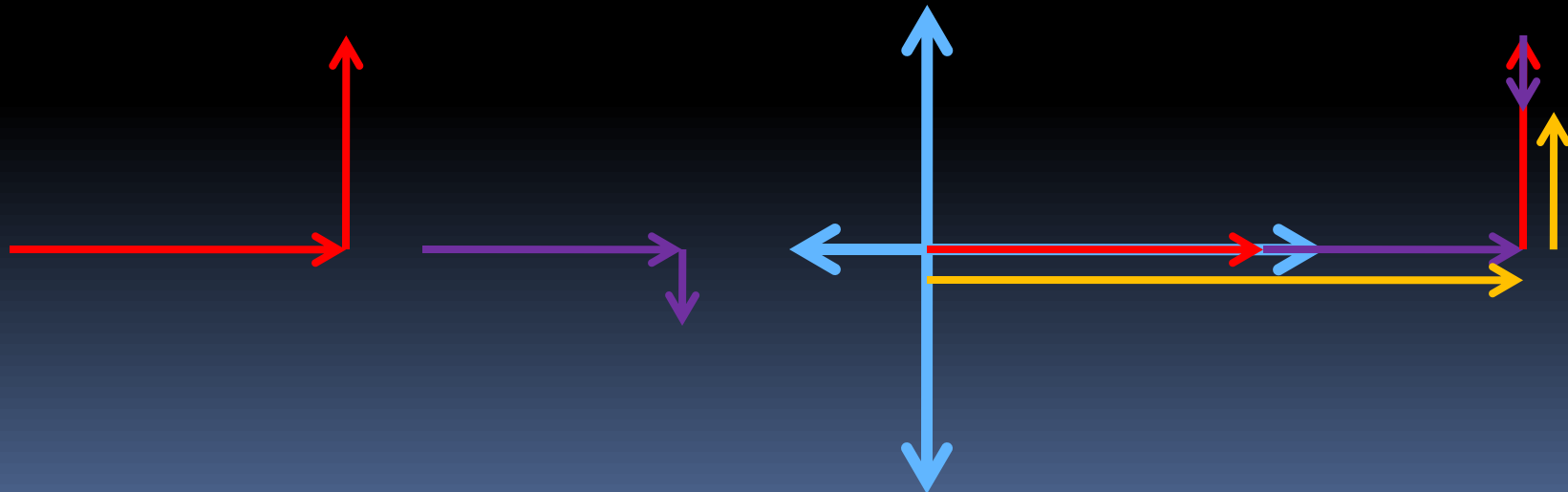
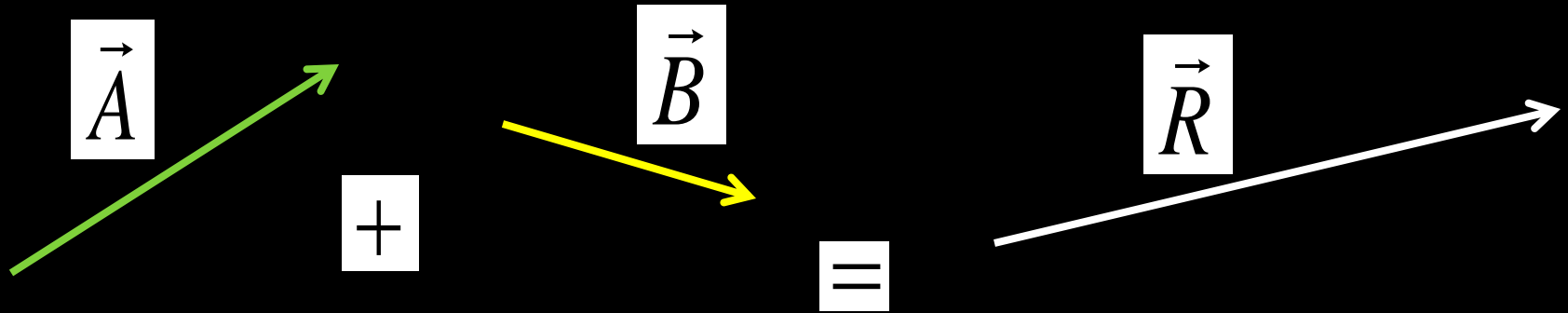
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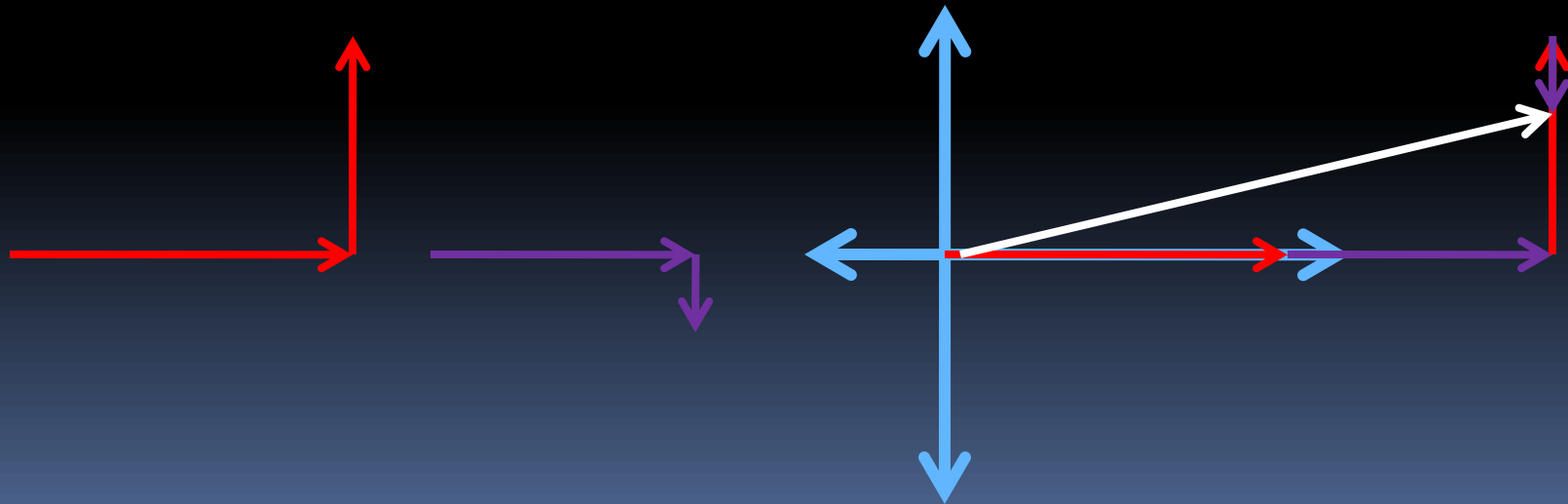
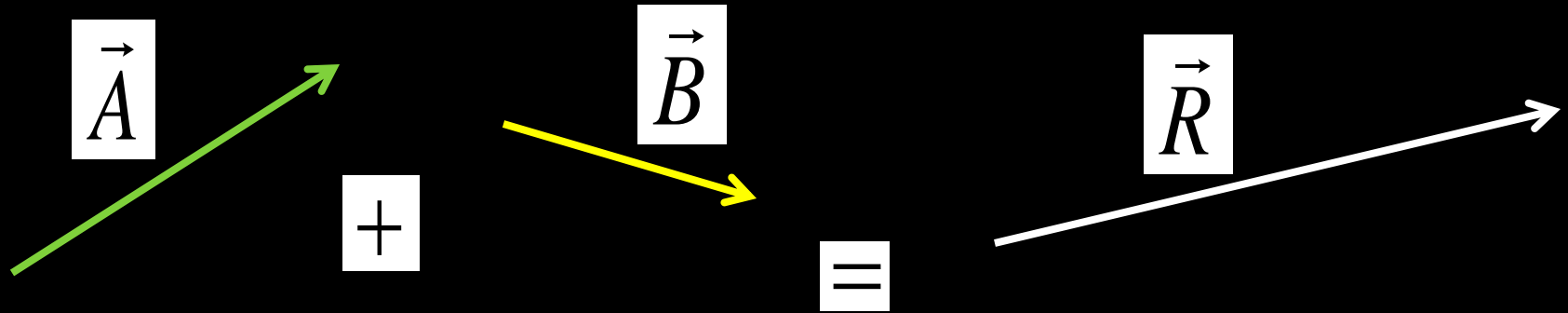
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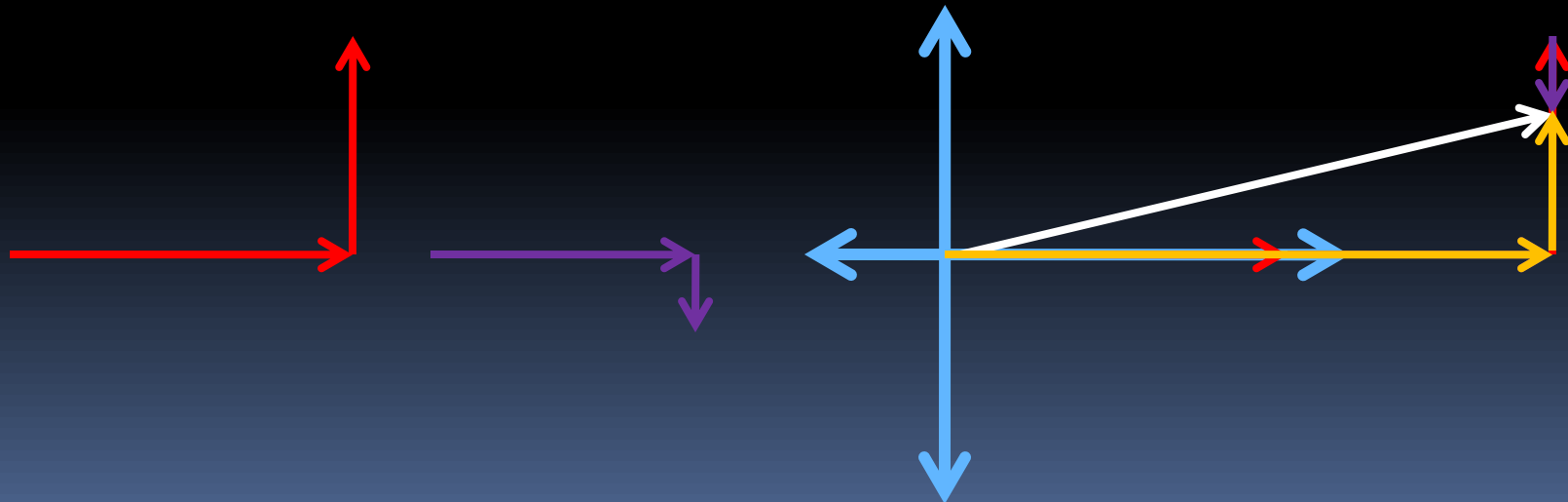
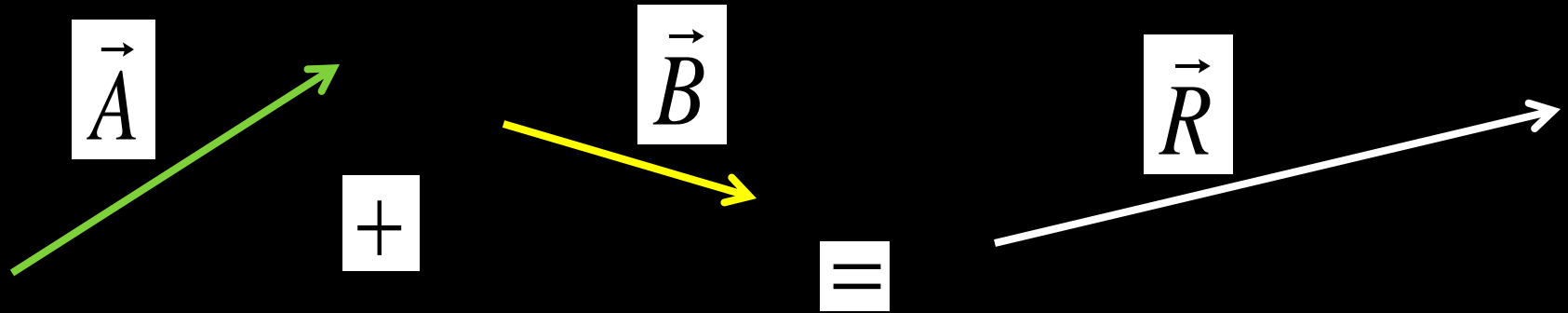
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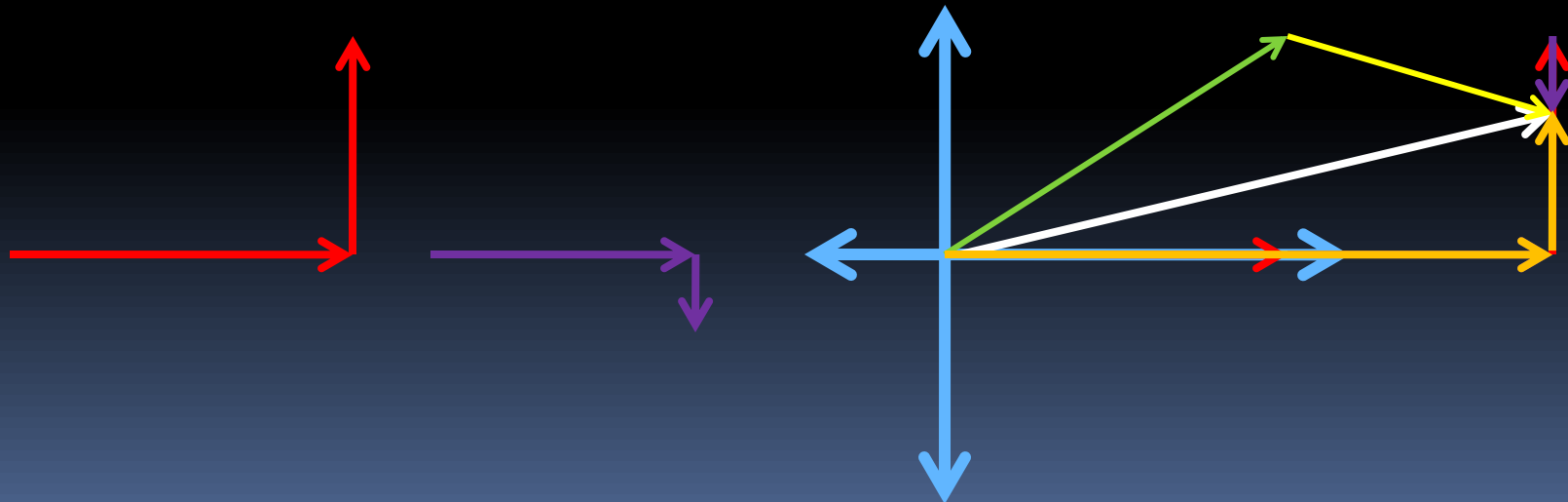
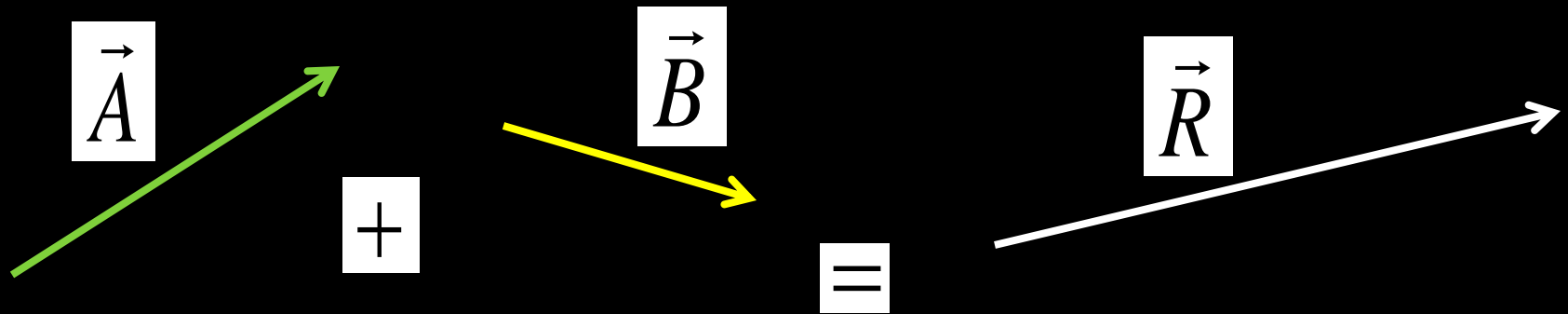
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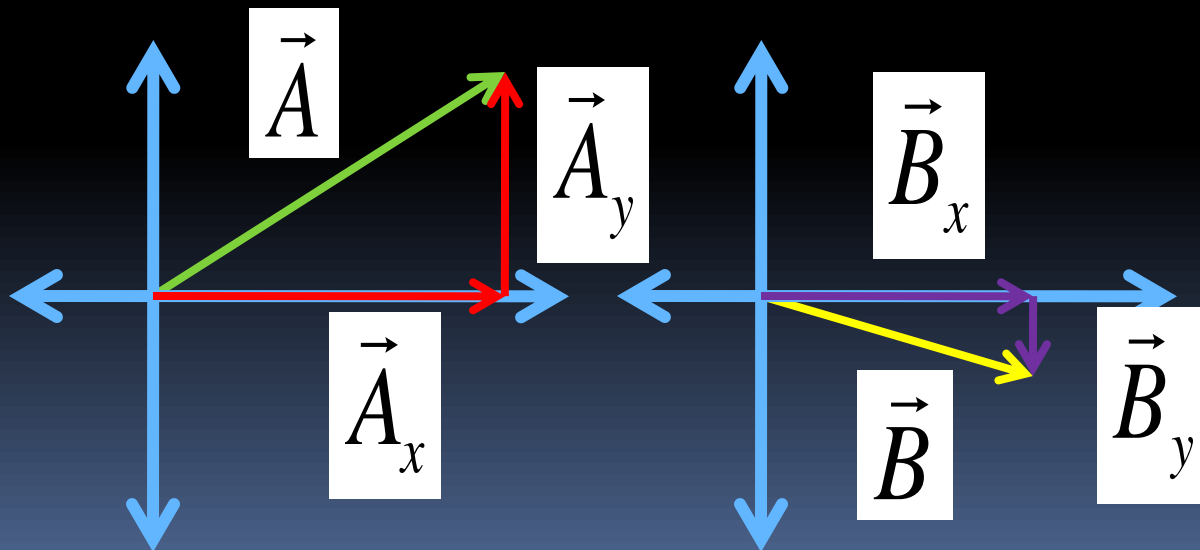
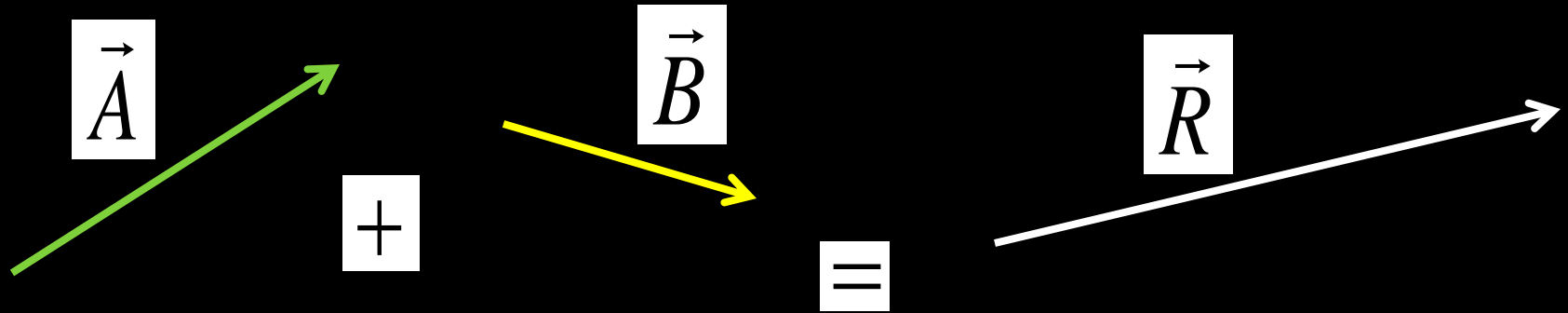
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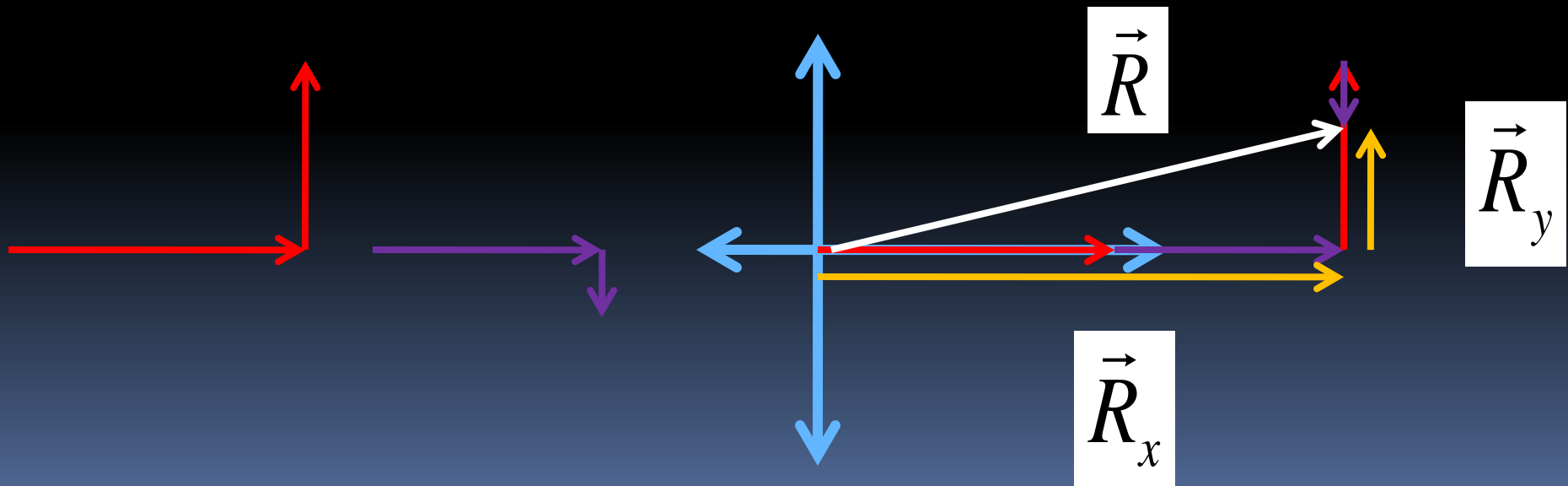
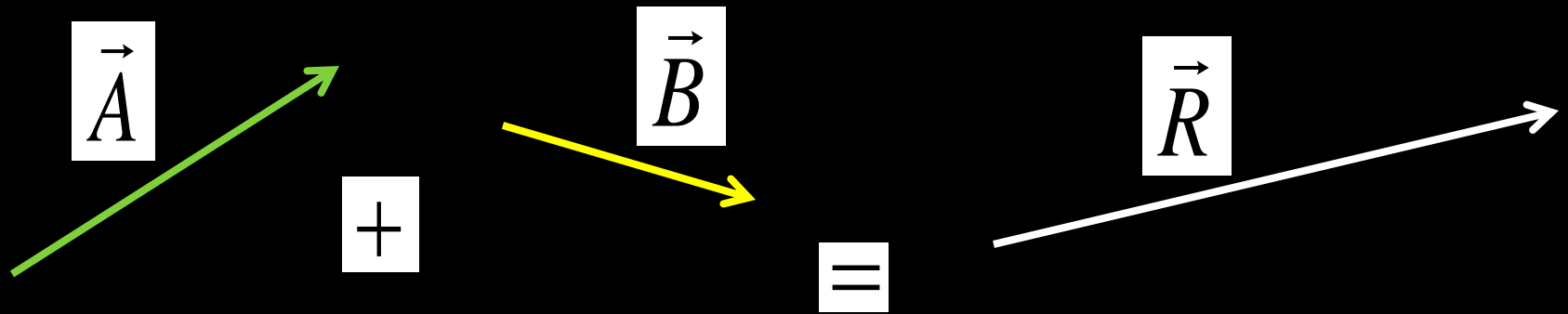
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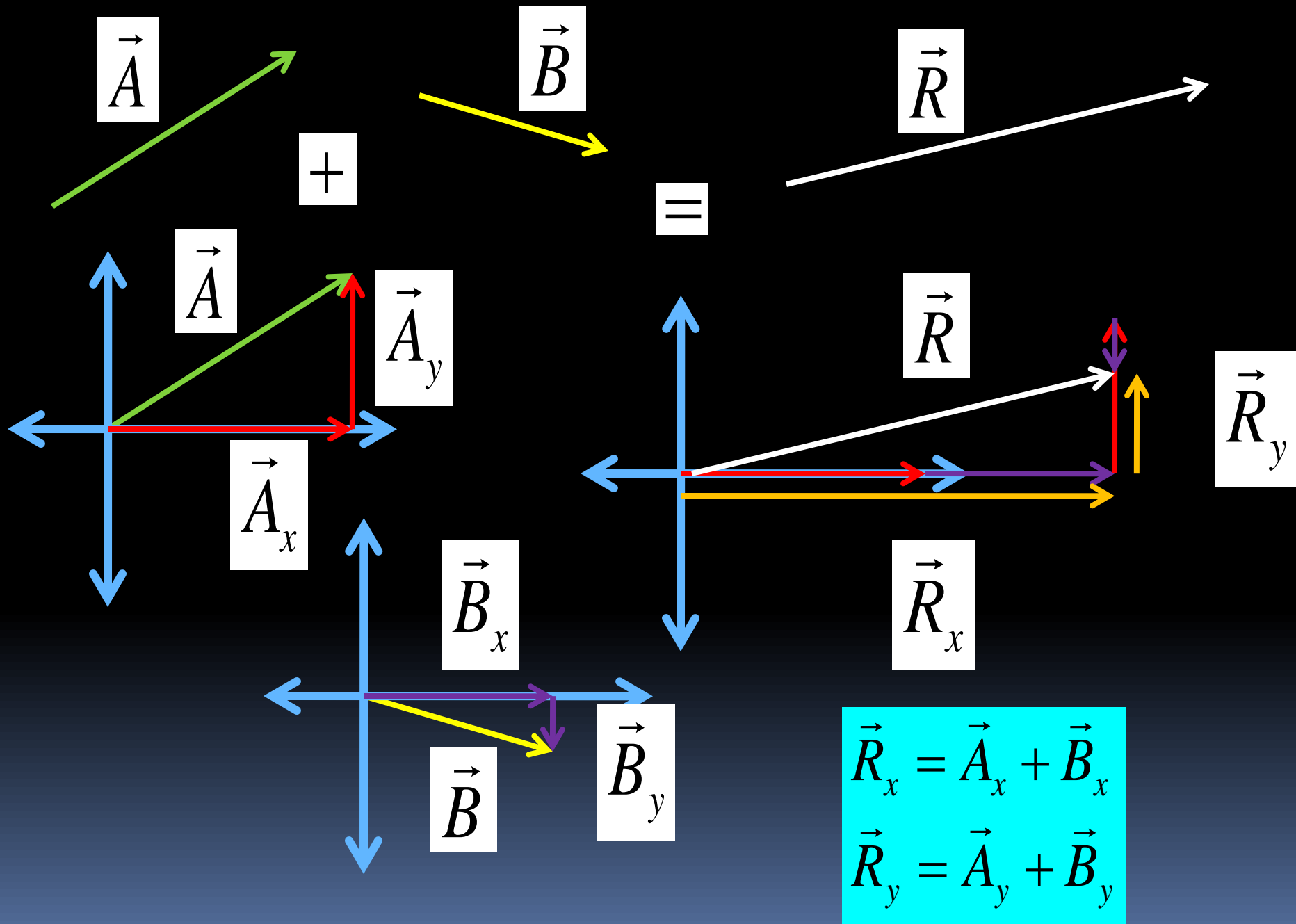


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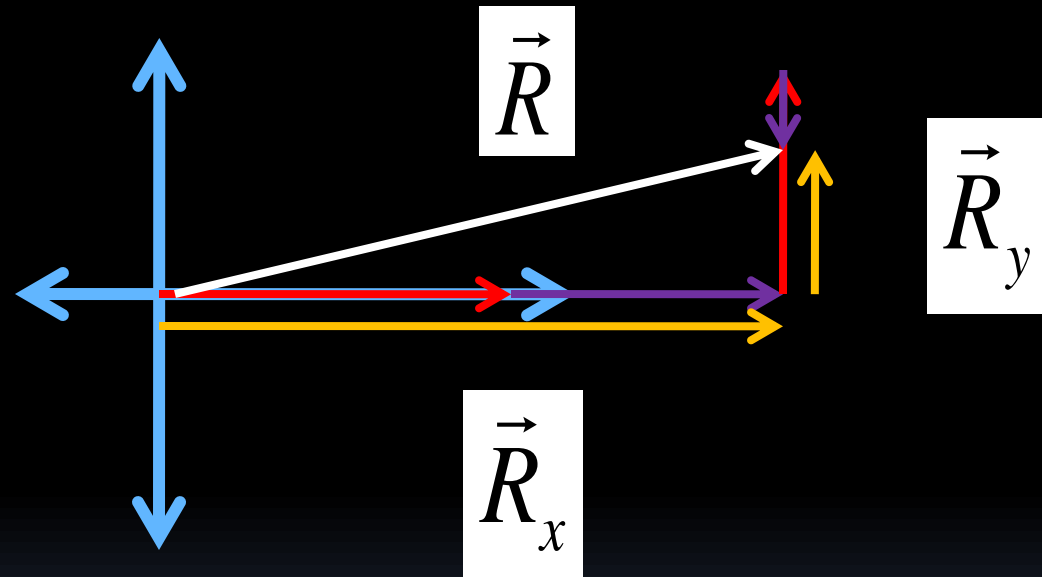




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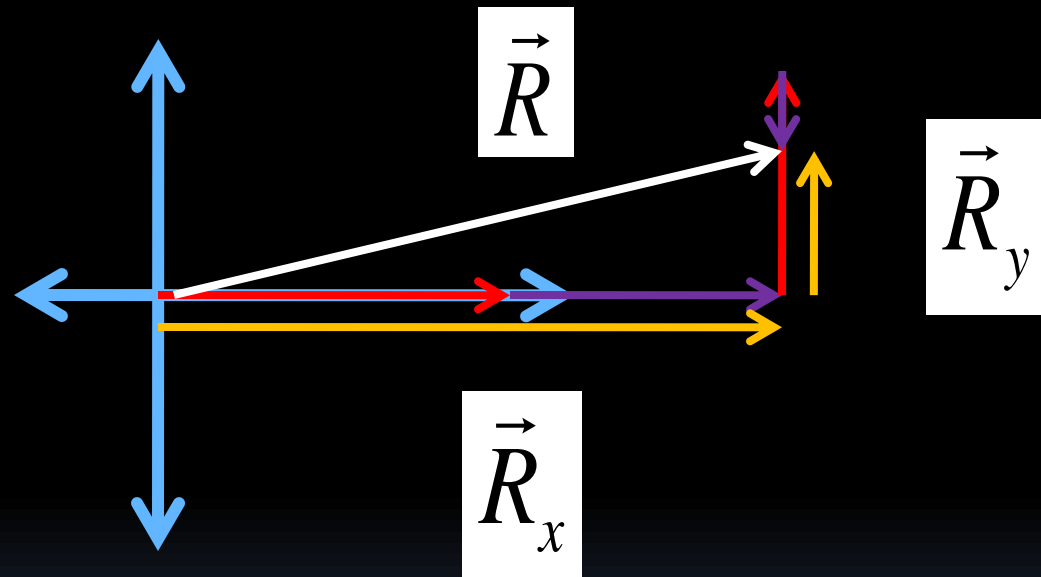
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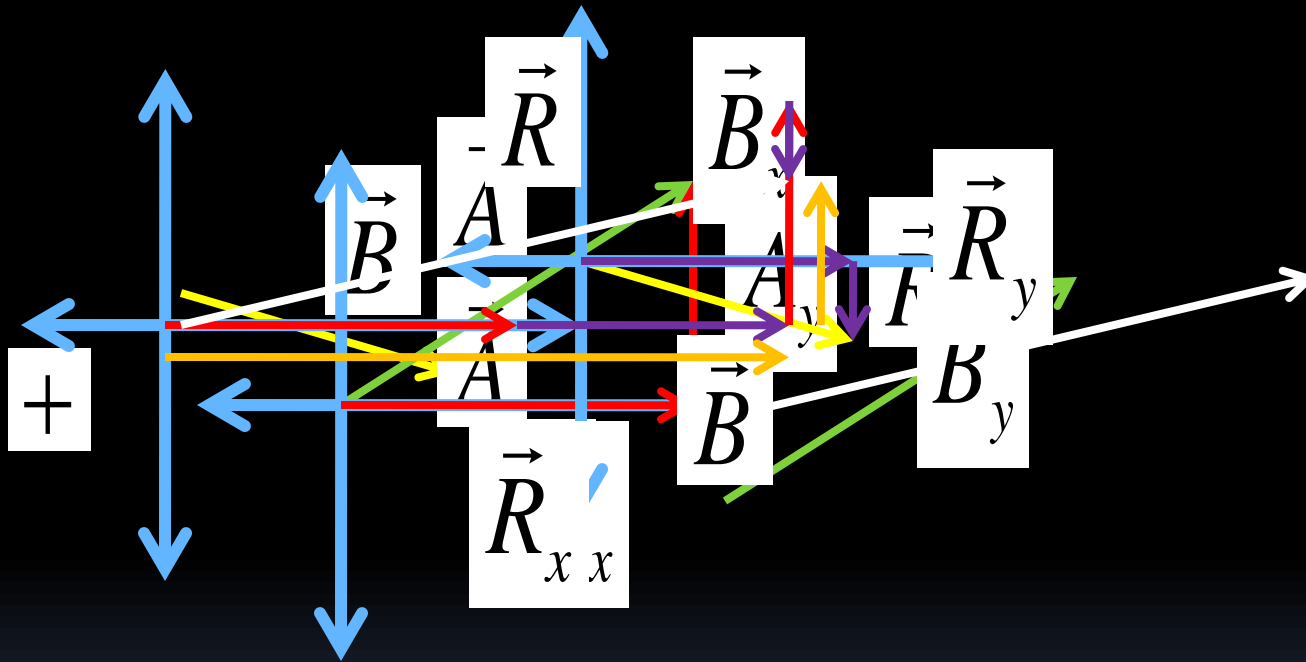
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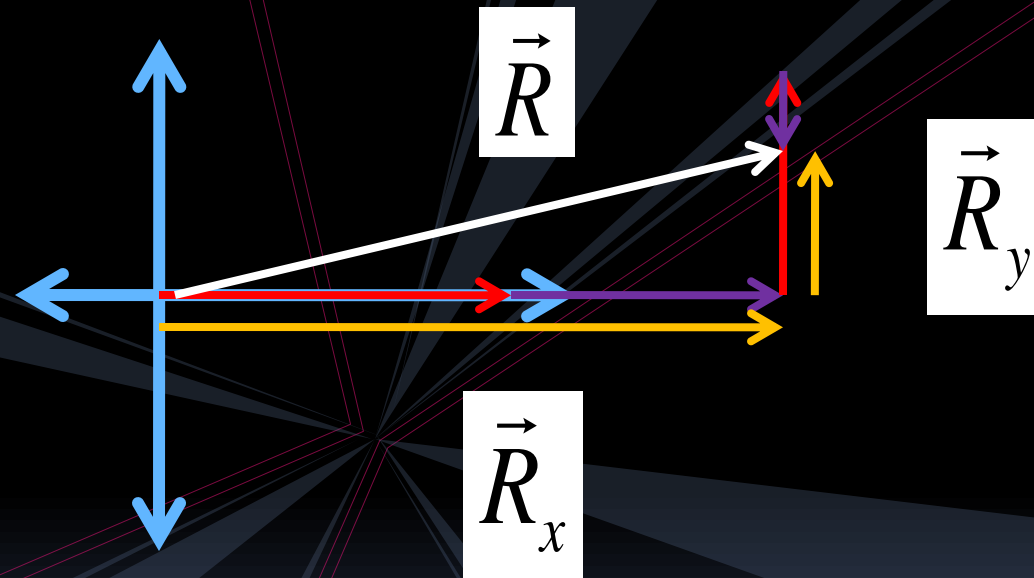
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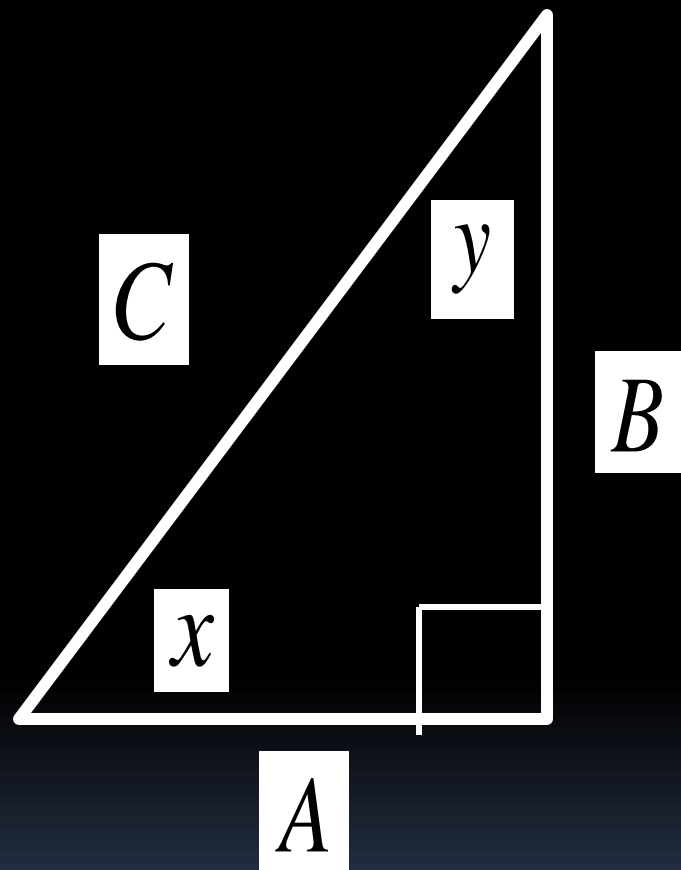
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QUESTIONS?

Homework

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 - At least not yet
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 - Reading Activity Lsn 3-4
 - After 3-4, HW Lsn 3-2 to 3-4, # 1-16