

# **Geometric Views of Linear Complementarity Algorithms and Their Complexity**

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# LCP - Definition

Given:  $q \in \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $M \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$

Find:  $z \in \mathbf{R}^n$  so that

$$z \geq \mathbf{0} \quad \perp \quad w = q + Mz \geq \mathbf{0}$$

$\perp$  means orthogonal:

$$\begin{aligned} z^T w &= 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow z_i w_i &= 0 \quad \text{all } i = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

# LP in inequality form

**primal:**    **max**             $c^T x$   
                  subject to     $Ax \leq b$   
                                       $x \geq 0$

**dual:**        **min**             $y^T b$   
                  subject to     $y^T A \geq c^T$   
                                       $y \geq 0$

**Weak duality:**  $x, y$  feasible (fulfilling constraints)

$$\Rightarrow c^T x \leq y^T A x \leq y^T b$$

**Strong duality:** primal and dual are feasible

$$\Rightarrow \exists \text{ feasible } x, y: \quad c^T x = y^T b \quad (x, y \text{ optimal})$$

# LCP generalizes LP

LCP encodes the complementary slackness of strong duality:

$$c^T x = y^T A x = y^T b$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (y^T A - c^T) x = 0, \quad y^T (b - A x) = 0.$$

$$\geq 0 \quad \geq 0 \quad \geq 0 \quad \geq 0$$

LP  $\Leftrightarrow$  LCP

$$\begin{array}{l} x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{array} \quad \perp \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline -c \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline + A^T y \\ \hline \end{array} \geq 0$$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline b \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline -Ax \\ \hline \end{array} \geq 0$$

# Symmetric equilibria of symmetric games

Given:  $n \times n$  **payoff matrix**  $A$  for row player  
 $A^T$  for column player

**mixed strategy**  $x$  = probability distribution on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow x \geq \mathbf{0}$ ,  $\mathbf{1}^T x = 1$

**equilibrium**  $(x, x)$

$\Leftrightarrow x$  **best response** to  $x$

**Remark:** As general as  $m \times n$  games  $(A, B)$ .

# Best responses

Given:  $n \times n$  **payoff matrix**  $A$ ,  
mixed strategy  $y$  of column player

$Ay$  = vector of **expected payoffs** against  $y$ ,  
components  $(Ay)_i$

$x$  **best response** to  $y$

$\Leftrightarrow x$  maximizes expected payoff  $x^T Ay$

**best response condition:**

$\Leftrightarrow \forall i : x_i > 0 \Rightarrow (Ay)_i = u = \max_k (Ay)_k$

# Symmetric equilibria as LCP solutions

equilibrium  $(x, x)$  of game with payoff matrix  $A$

$\Leftrightarrow x$  best response to  $x$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{1}^T x = 1, \\ x \geq \mathbf{0} \quad \perp \quad Ax \leq \mathbf{1}u \end{array}$$

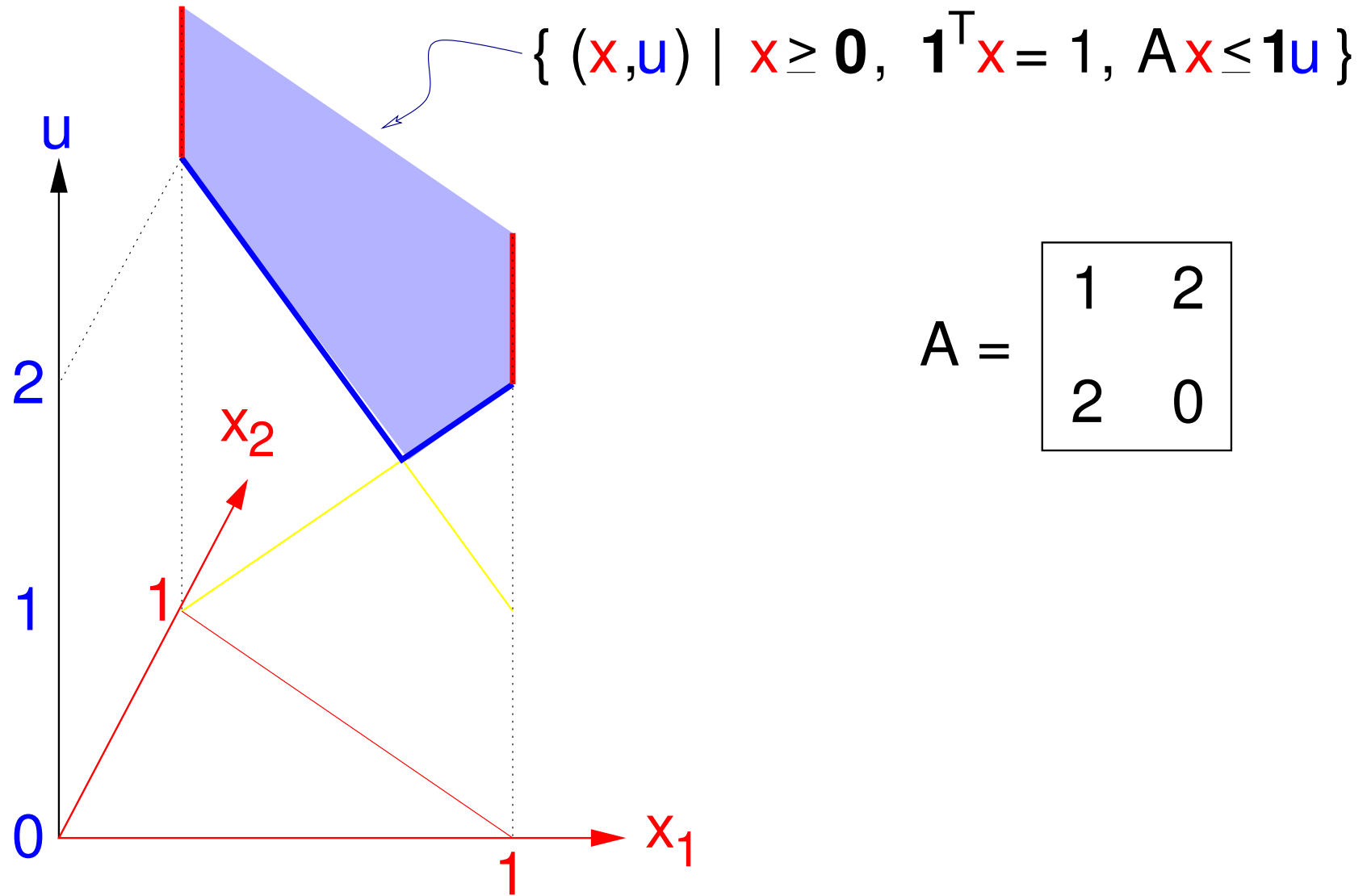
w.l.o.g.  $A > 0 \Rightarrow u > 0,$

equilibrium  $(x, x)$

$$\Leftrightarrow z = (1/u) x \quad (1/u = \mathbf{1}^T z),$$

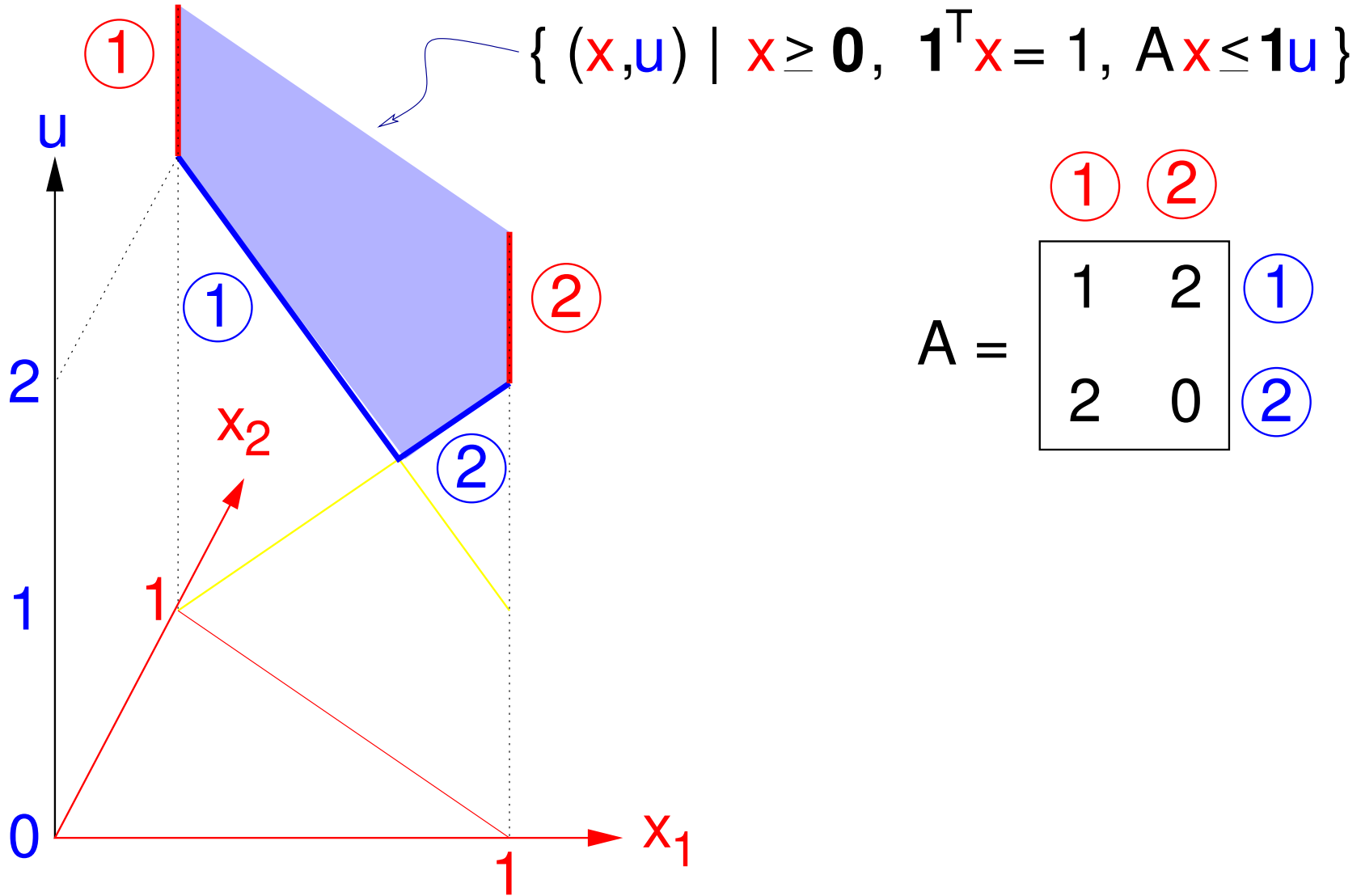
$z \geq \mathbf{0}$	$\perp$	$Az \leq \mathbf{1}$	"equilibrium $z$ "
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## Best response polyhedron

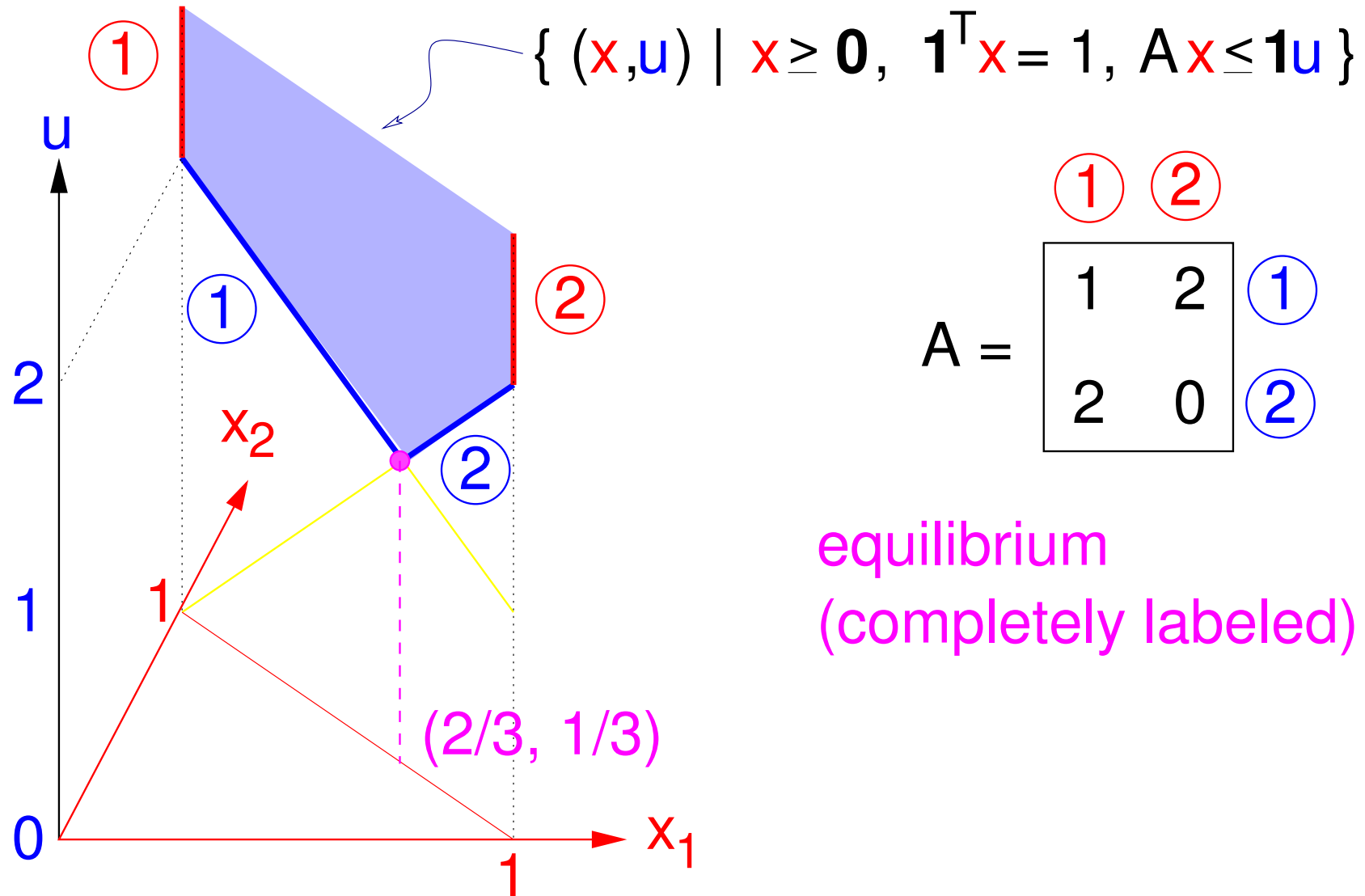




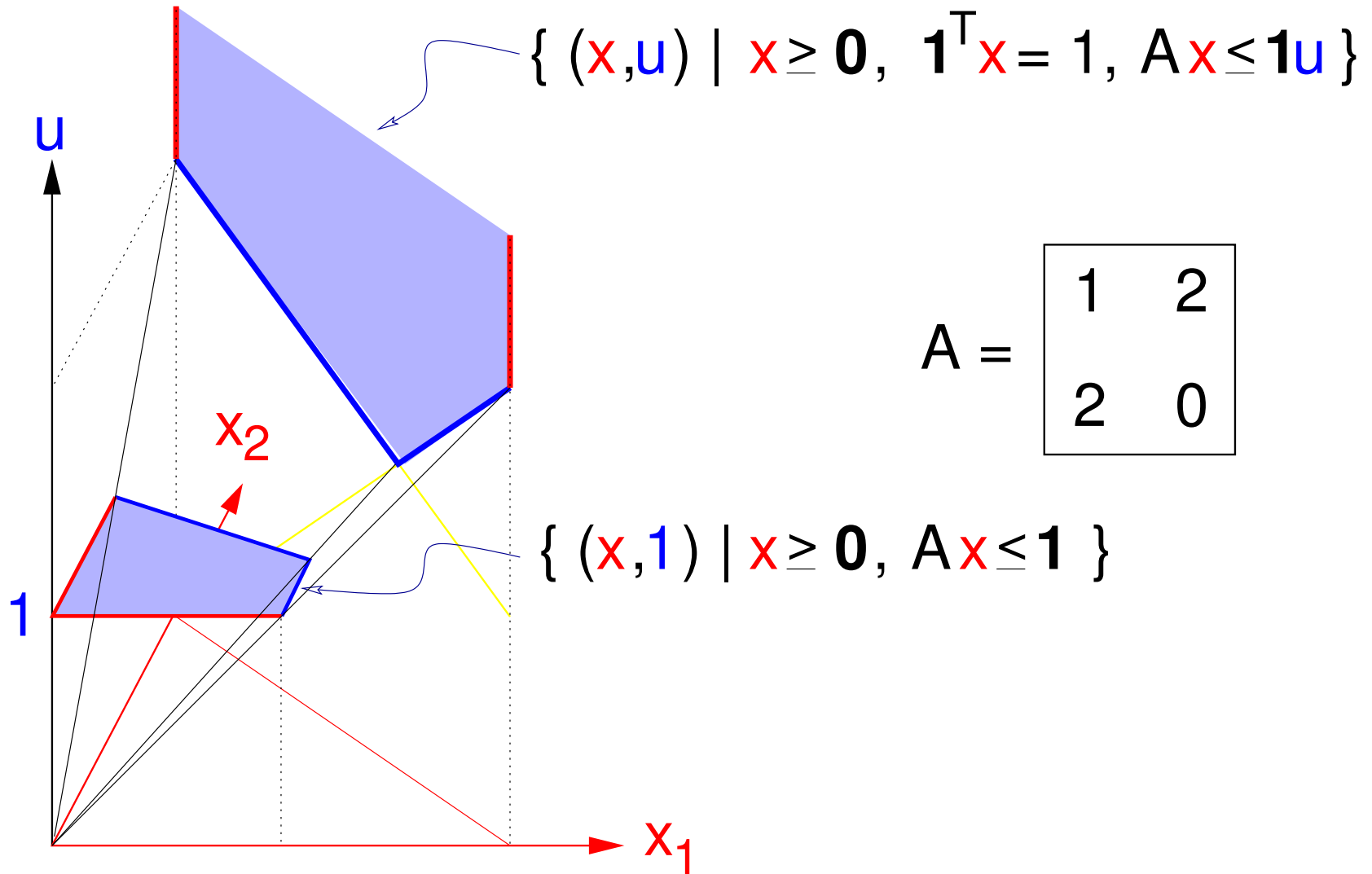
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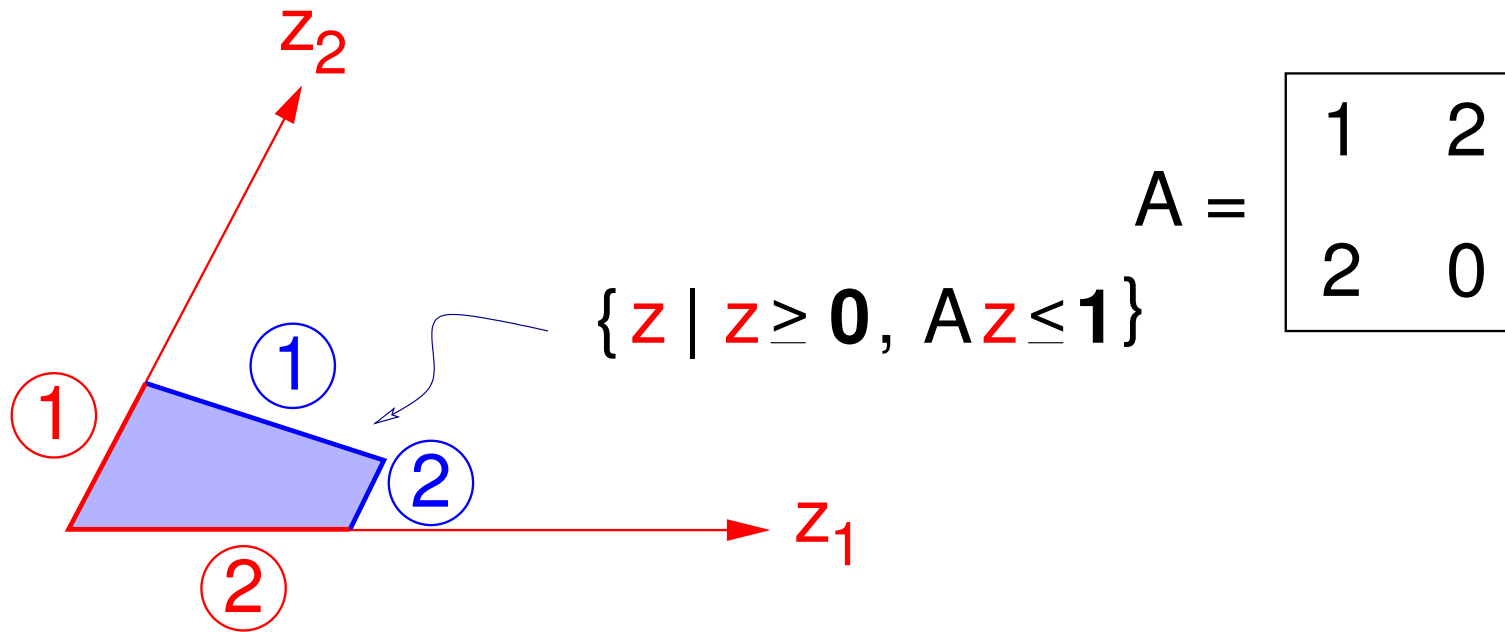
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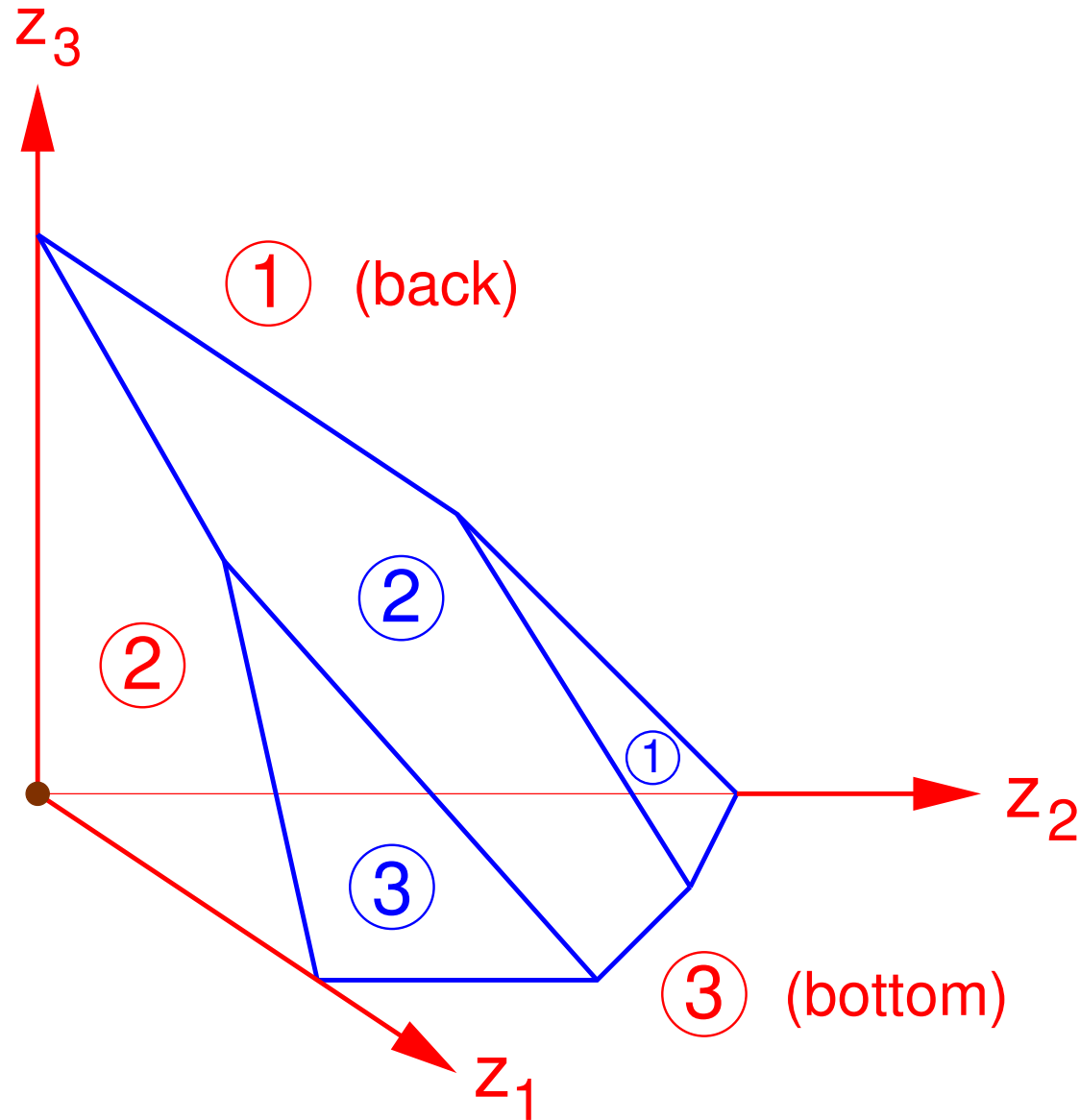
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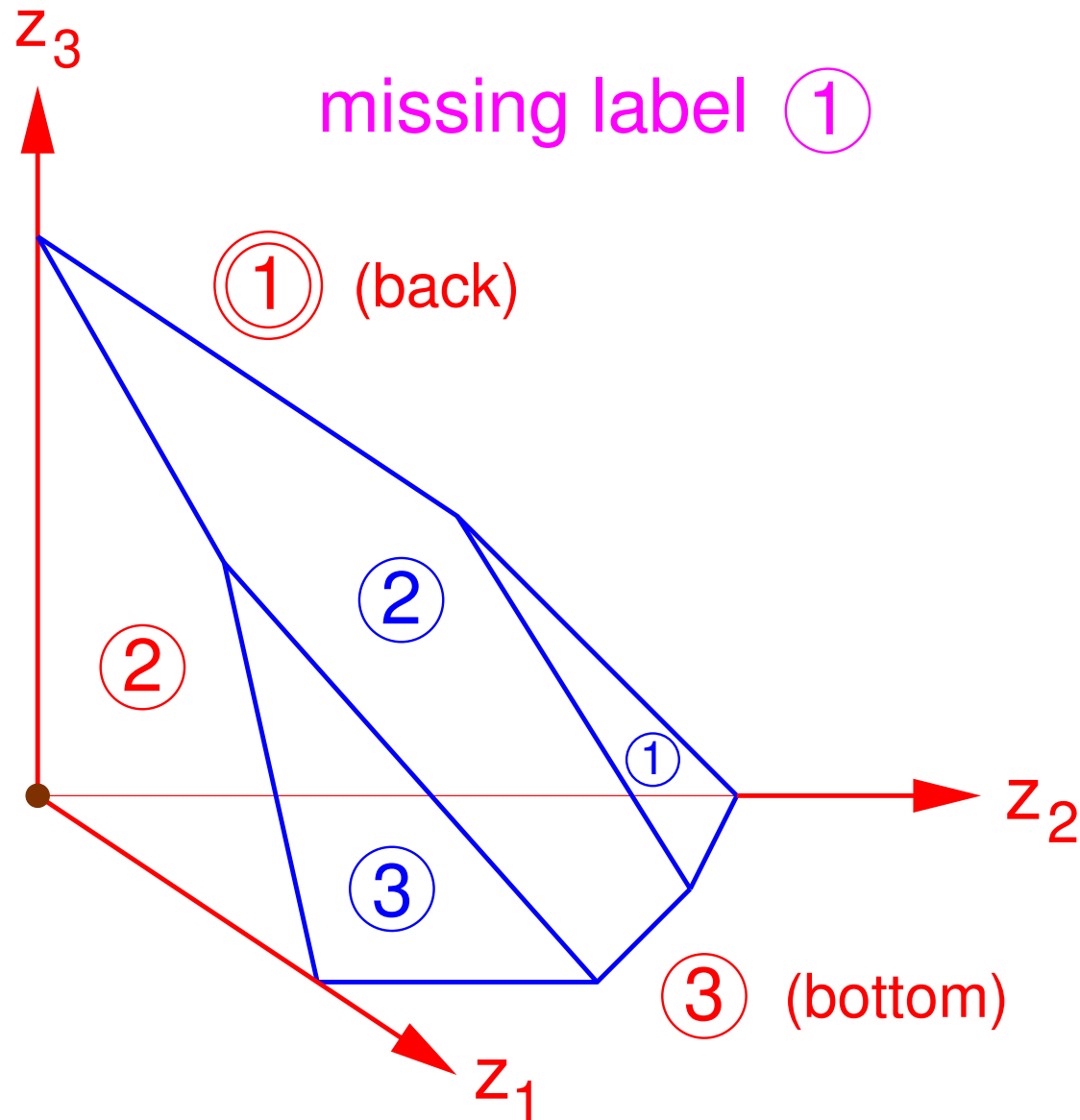
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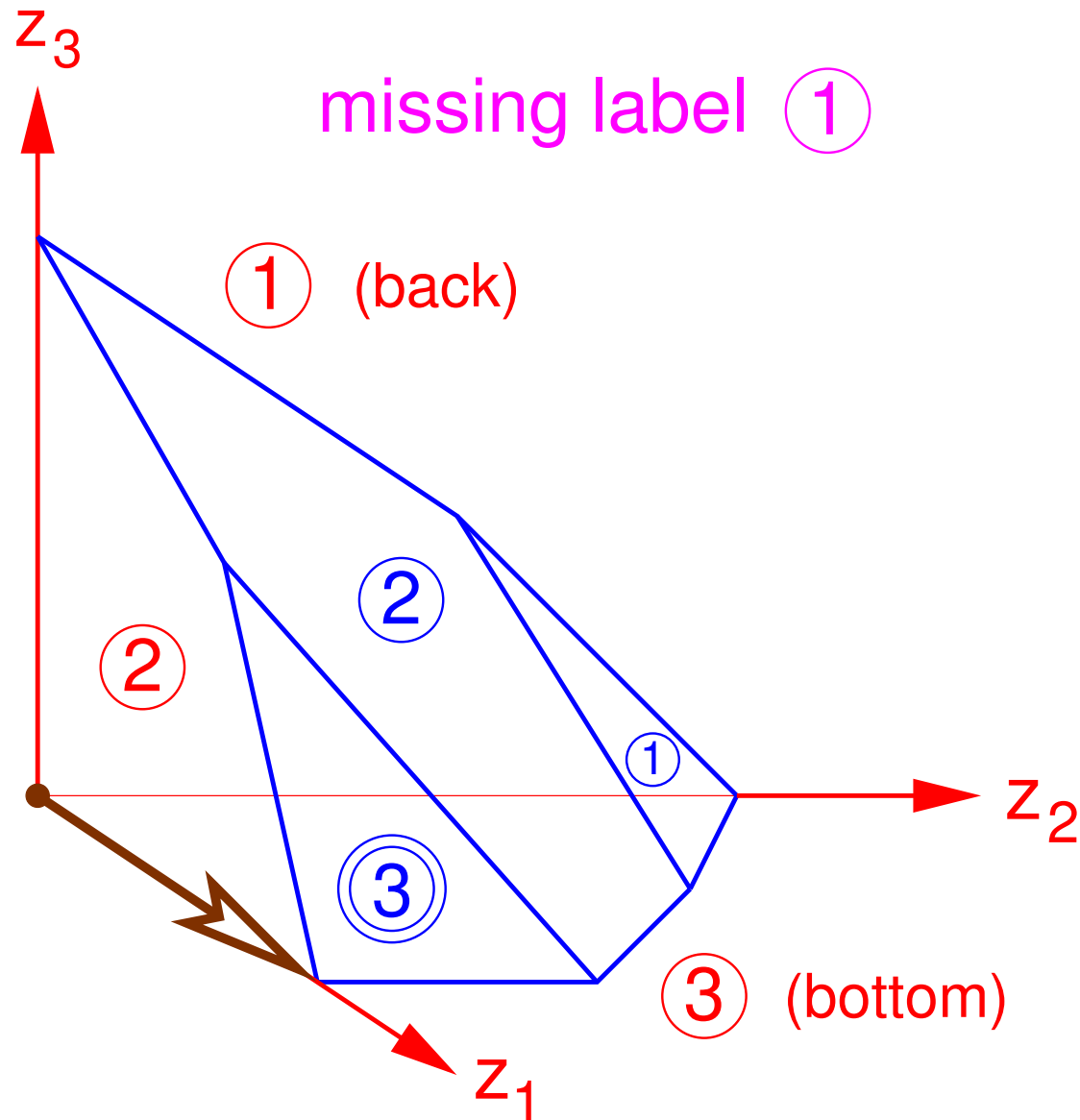
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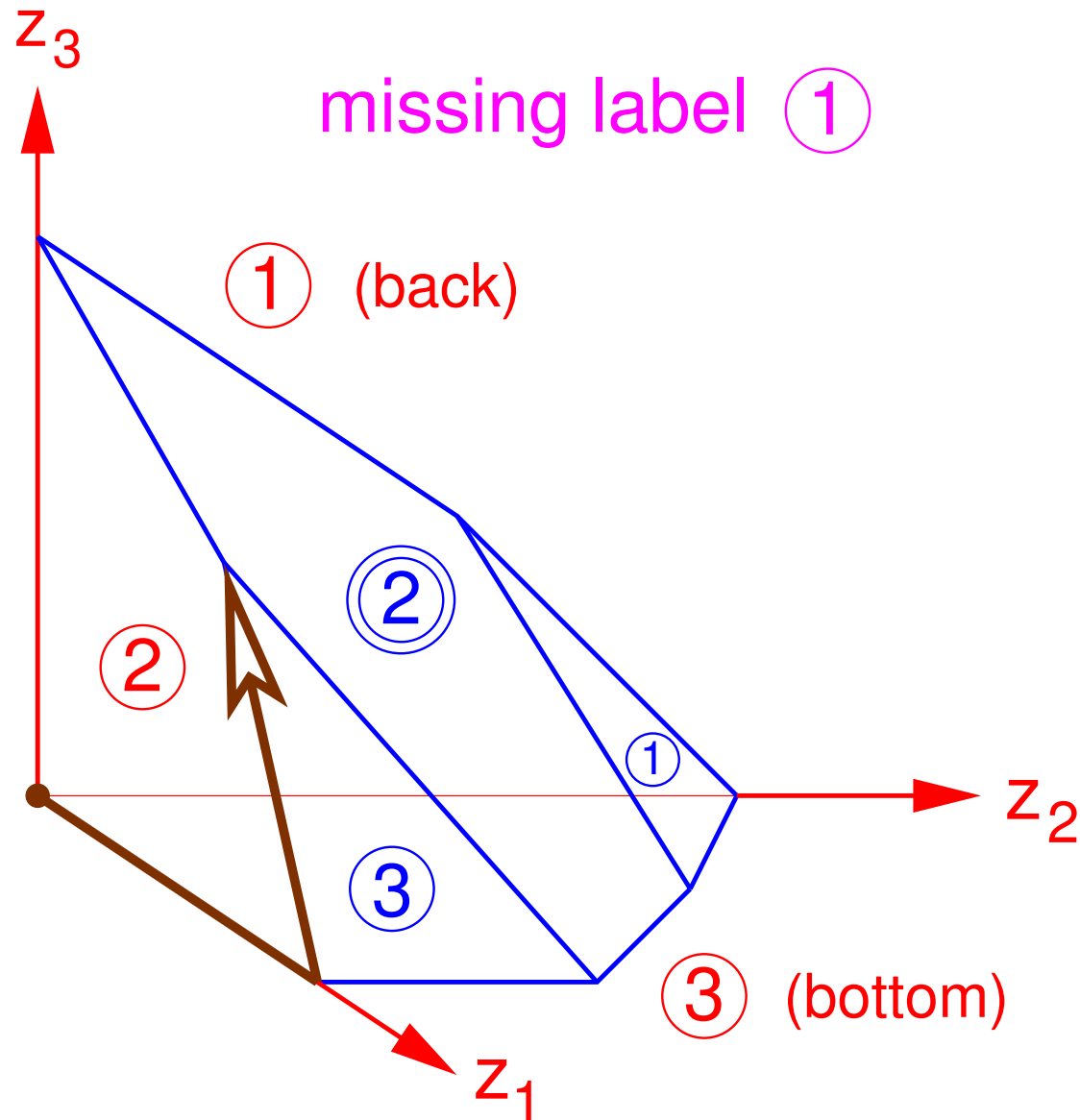
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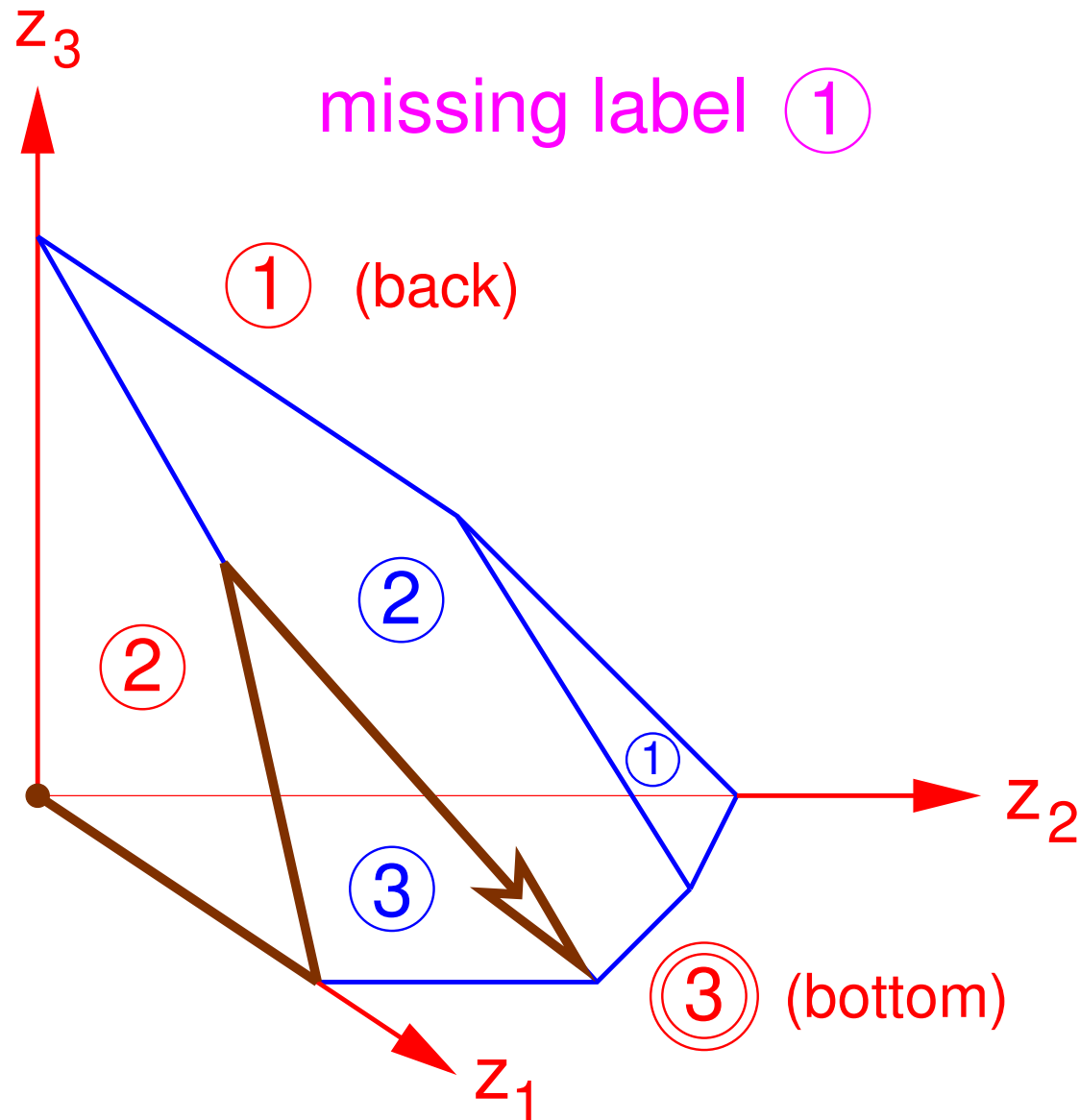


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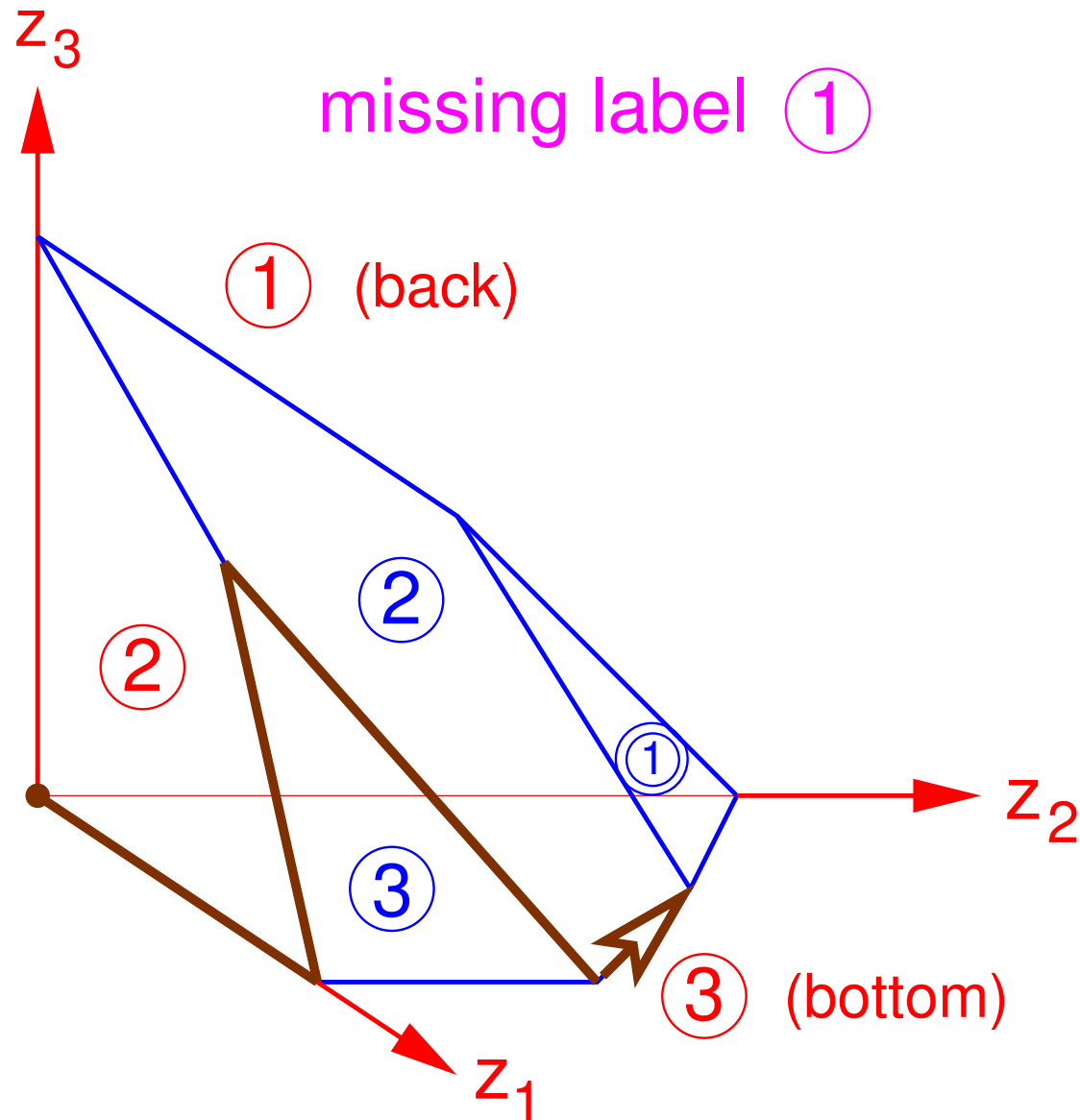




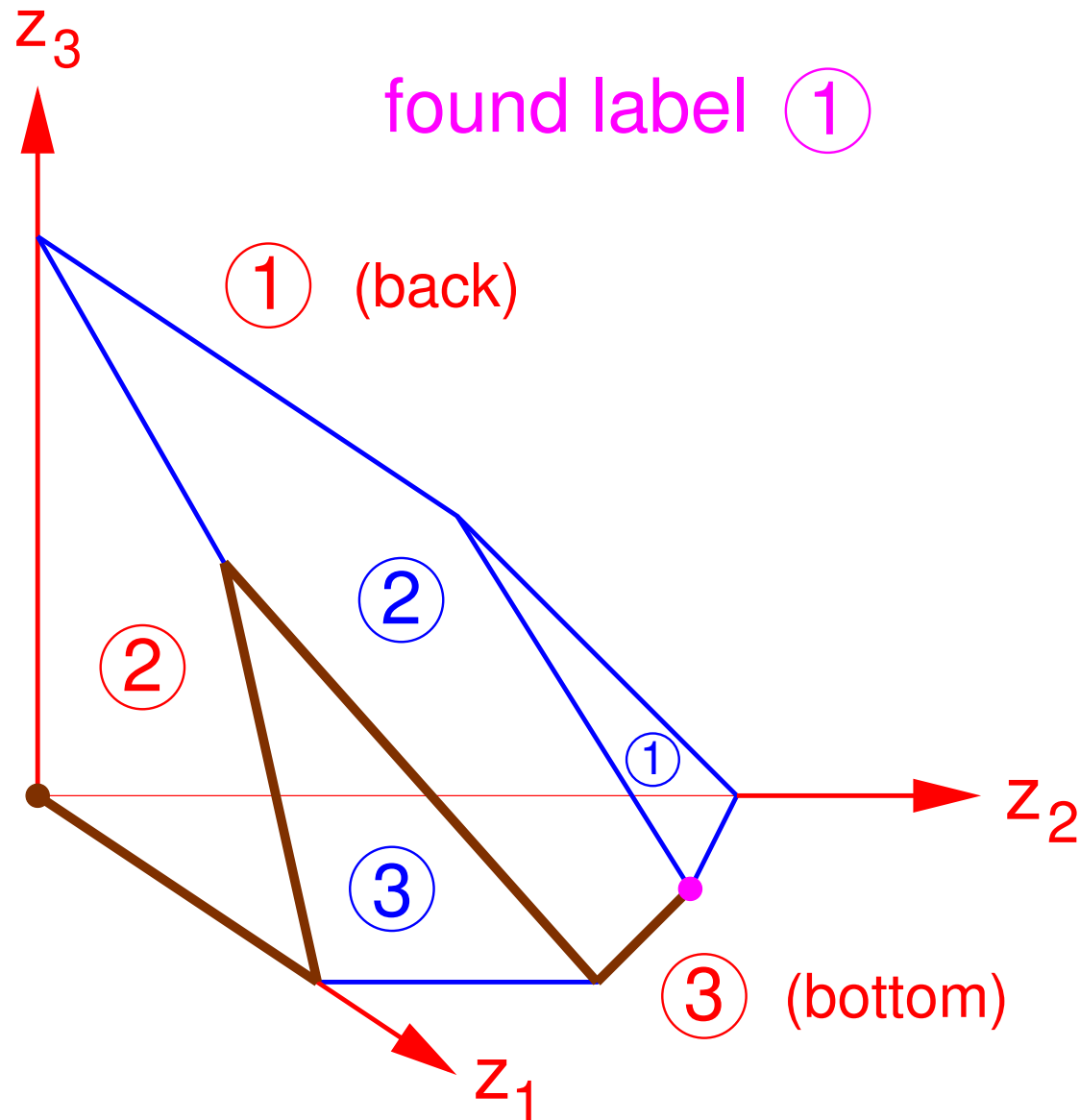
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# Why Lemke-Howson works

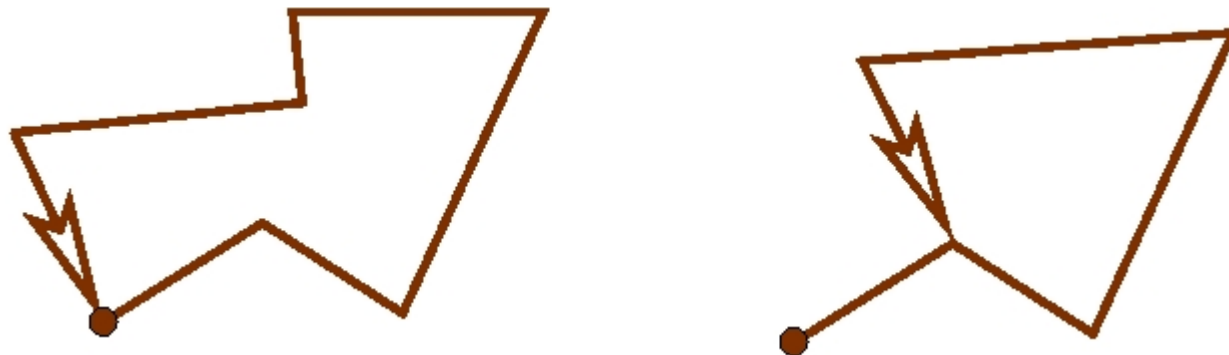
LH finds at least one Nash equilibrium because

- **finitely many** "vertices"

for nondegenerate (generic) games:

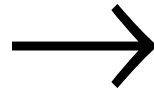
- **unique** starting edge given missing label
- **unique** continuation

⇒ precludes "coming back" like here:



# Costs instead of payoffs

1	2
2	0



2	1
1	3

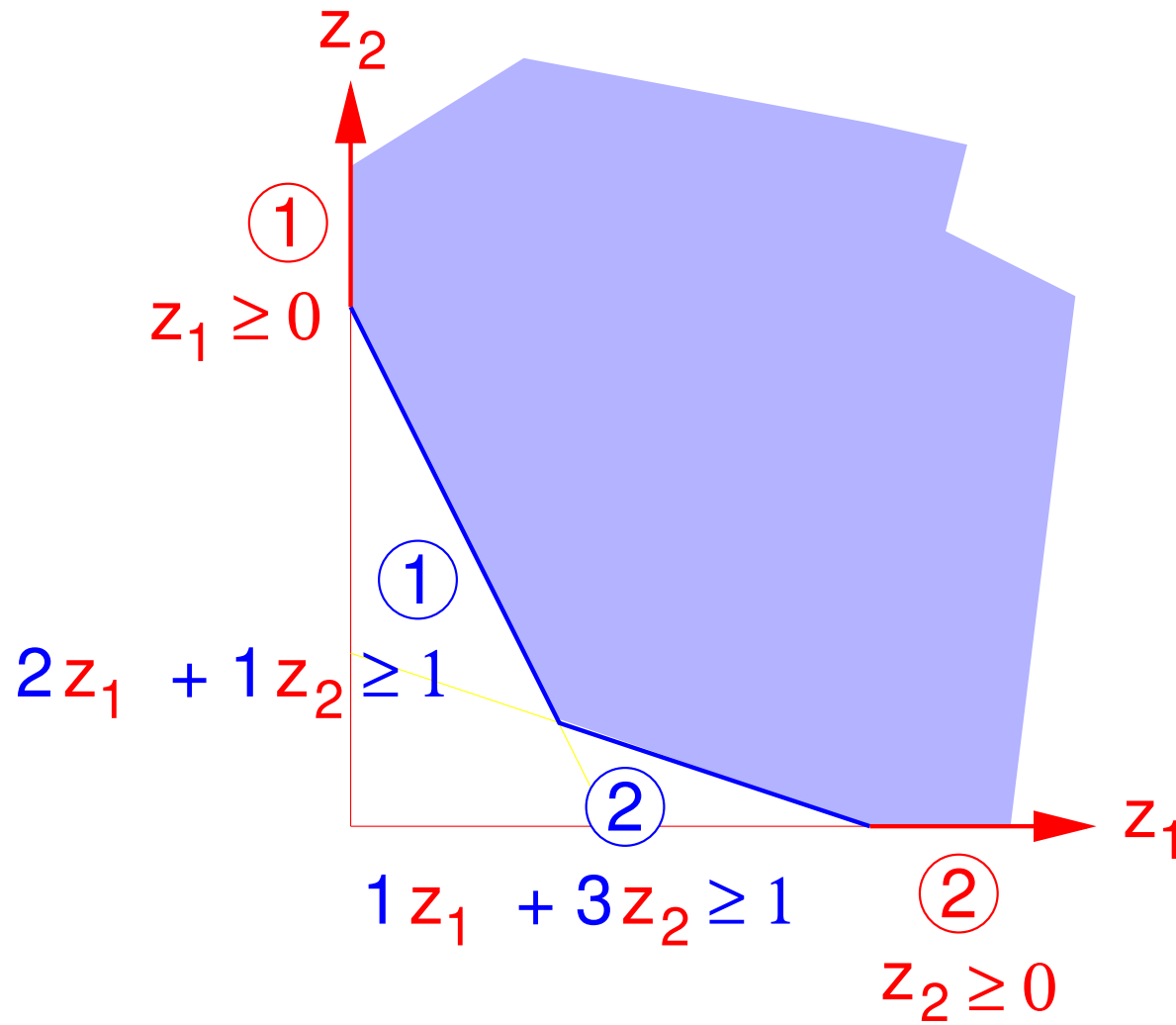
$a_{ik}$   
payoff

$3 - a_{ik}$   
cost

with new cost matrix  $A > 0$  :

equilibrium  $z \Leftrightarrow z \geq 0 \perp Az \geq 1$

# Polyhedral view



# Lemke's algorithm

given LCP

$$z \geq 0 \quad \perp \quad w = q + Mz \quad \geq 0$$

# Lemke's algorithm

augmented LCP

$$z \geq 0 \quad \perp \quad w = q + Mz + dz_0 \geq 0$$
$$z_0 \geq 0$$



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where

$d > 0$       covering vector  
 $z_0$           extra variable

$z_0 = 0$        $\Leftrightarrow$        $z \perp w$  solves original LCP

# Lemke's algorithm

augmented LCP

$$z \geq 0 \quad \perp \quad w = q + Mz + dz_0 \geq 0$$
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Initialization:

$$z = 0 \quad \perp \quad w = q \quad + dz_0 \geq 0$$

$z_0 \geq 0$  minimal  $\Rightarrow w_i = 0$  for some  $i$

**pivot**  $z_0$  in,  $w_i$  out,

$\Rightarrow$  can increase  $z_i$  while maintaining  $z \perp w$ .

## Lemke's algorithm = complementary pivoting

*n* equations:  $w = q + Mz + dz_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} z + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} z_0$

maintain  $w \geq 0 \perp z \geq 0$

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*in out*

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$z_0 =$	$1$	$+ w_2 - z_1 - 3z_2$		$w_2$

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	+ 2z <sub>1</sub> + z <sub>2</sub> + 2z <sub>0</sub>		z <sub>0</sub>
z <sub>0</sub> =	1		
	+ w <sub>2</sub> - z <sub>1</sub> - 3z <sub>2</sub>		w <sub>2</sub>

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					$z_0$
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$z_2 =$	0.2	-	$0.2w_1 + 0.4w_2$		$w_1$

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$z_0 = 1$	$+ w_2$	$z_0$
$- z_1 - 3z_2$		$w_2$
$z_2 = 0.2 - 0.2w_1 + 0.4w_2$		$z_2$
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	<i>in</i>	<i>out</i>
	$z_0$	
		$w_2$
	$z_2$	
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$z_2 =$	$0.2 - 0.2w_1 + 0.4w_2$	
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			$w_2$
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## Potential difficulties of Lemke

Complementary pivoting:  $w_j$  out  $\rightarrow z_j$  in,  $z_j$  out  $\rightarrow w_j$  in.

- degeneracy: nonunique leaving variable
- numerical stability: must follow **unique** path
- **ray termination**: no leaving variable (analogous to unbounded objective function in simplex algorithm)
- worst-case exponential complexity

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perturb  $\mathbf{b}$  with powers of small  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\vec{\epsilon} = (\mathbf{1}, \epsilon, \epsilon^2, \dots, \epsilon^n)^\top$$

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*in out*



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## Ray termination

can be excluded for many “matrix classes”,

e.g. if  $\mathbf{M}$  is copositive, i.e.  $\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{M} \mathbf{x} \geq 0$

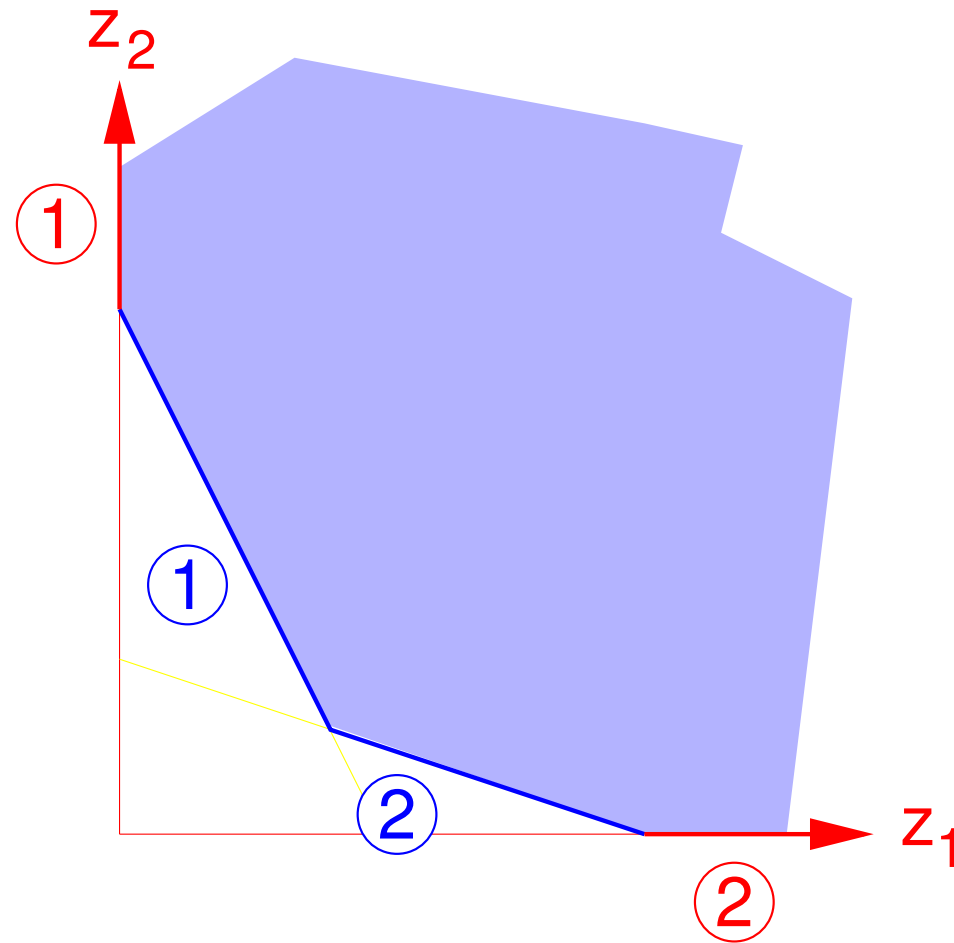
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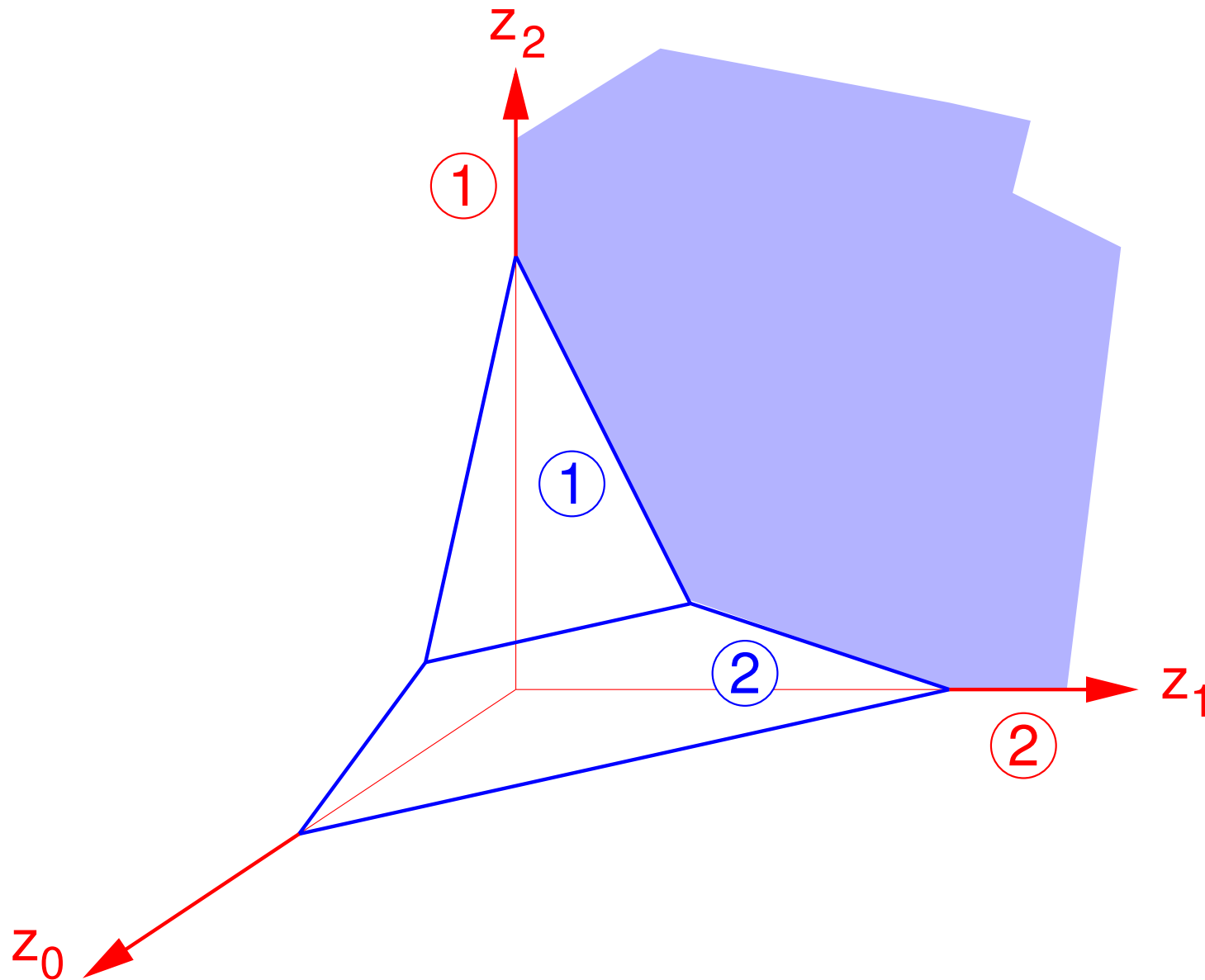


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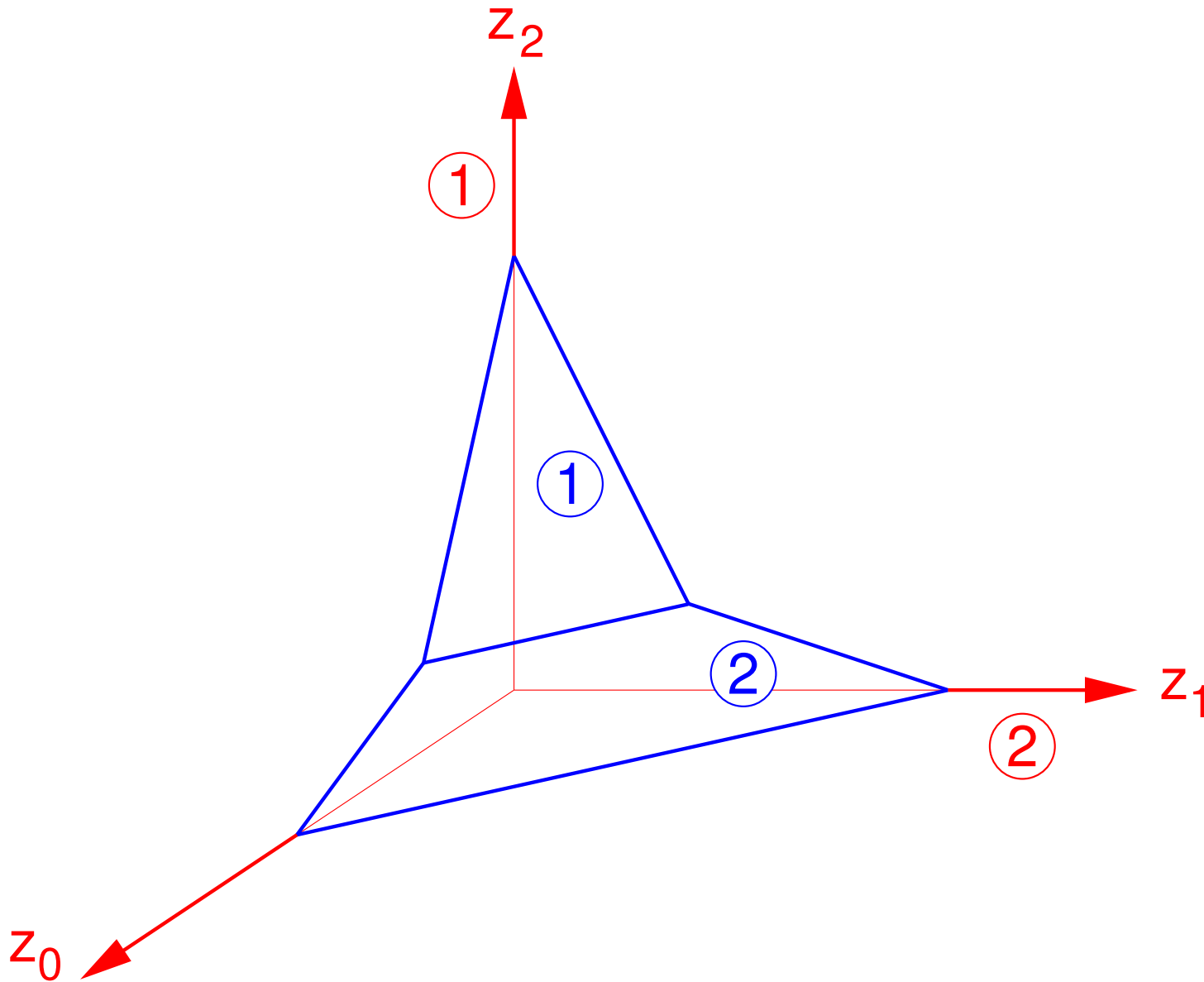
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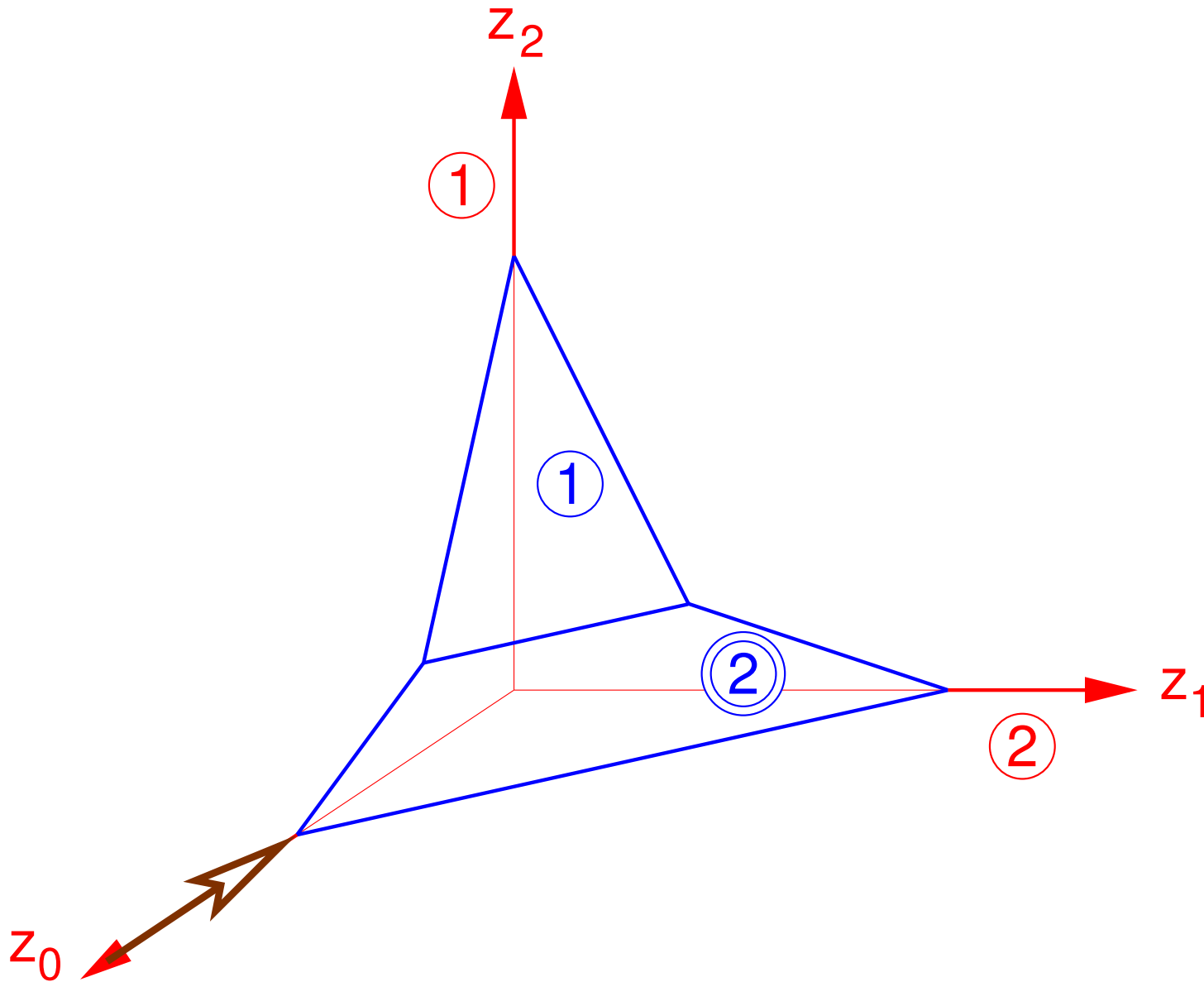


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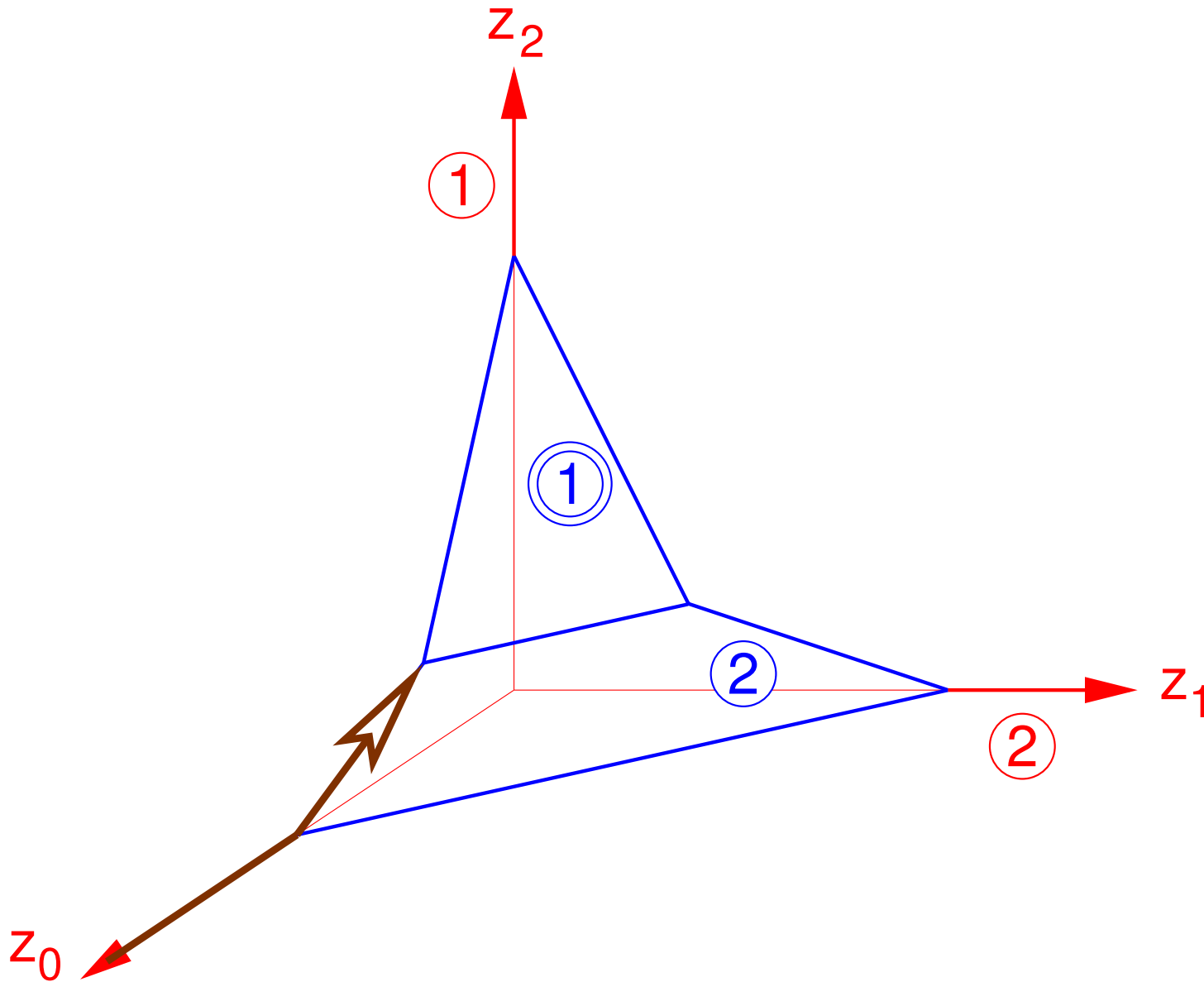




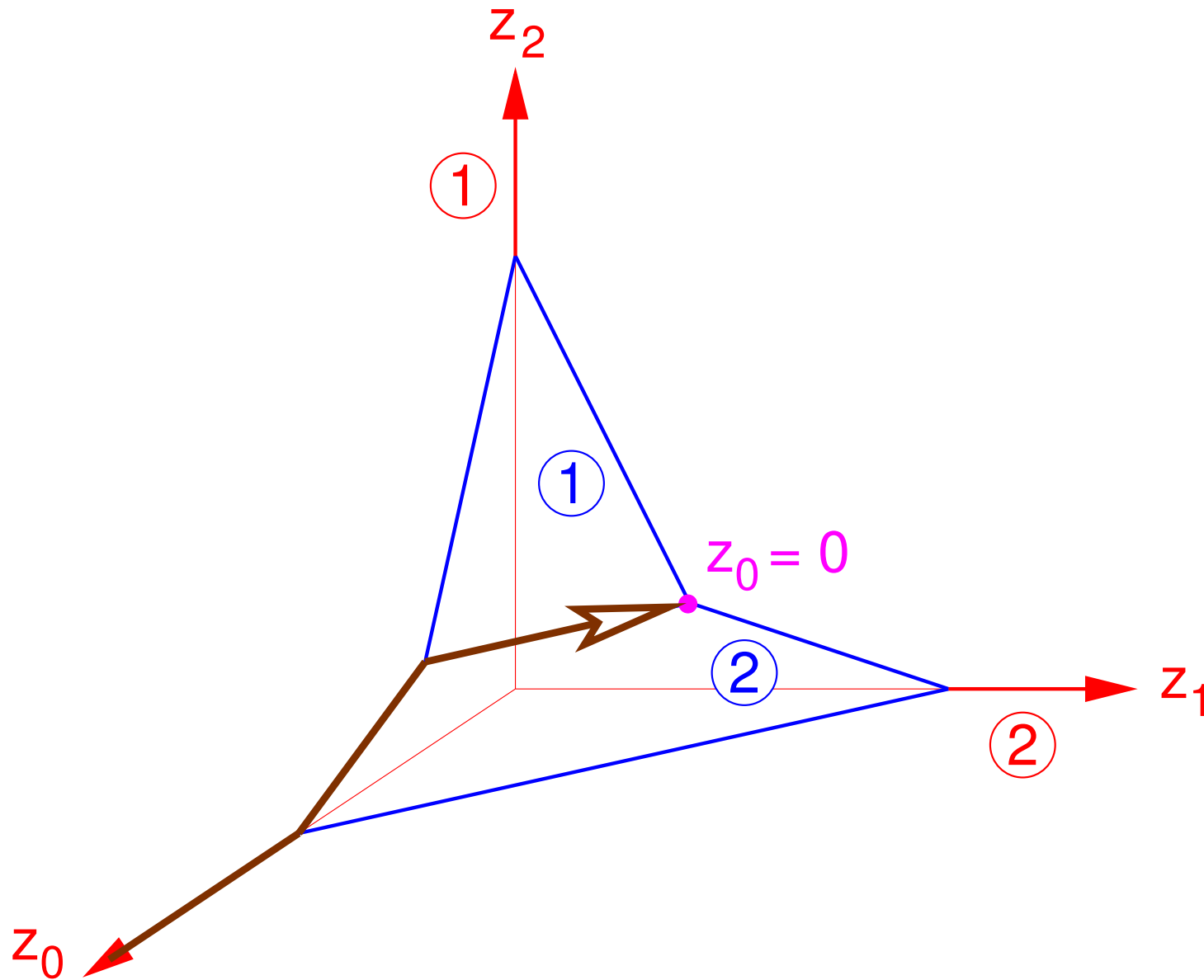
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# Complementary cones

$$\text{LCP} \quad z \geq 0 \quad \perp \quad w = q + Mz \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad z \geq 0 \quad \perp \quad w \geq 0, \quad \boxed{-q = Mz - w}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$   $-q$  belongs to a **complementary cone**:

$$\boxed{-q \in \mathbf{C}(\alpha) = \text{cone} \{ M_i, -e_j \mid i \in \alpha, j \notin \alpha \}}$$

for some  $\alpha \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $M = [M_1 \ M_2 \ \dots \ M_n]$

$$\alpha = \{ i \mid z_i > 0 \}$$

# Polyhedra versus cones

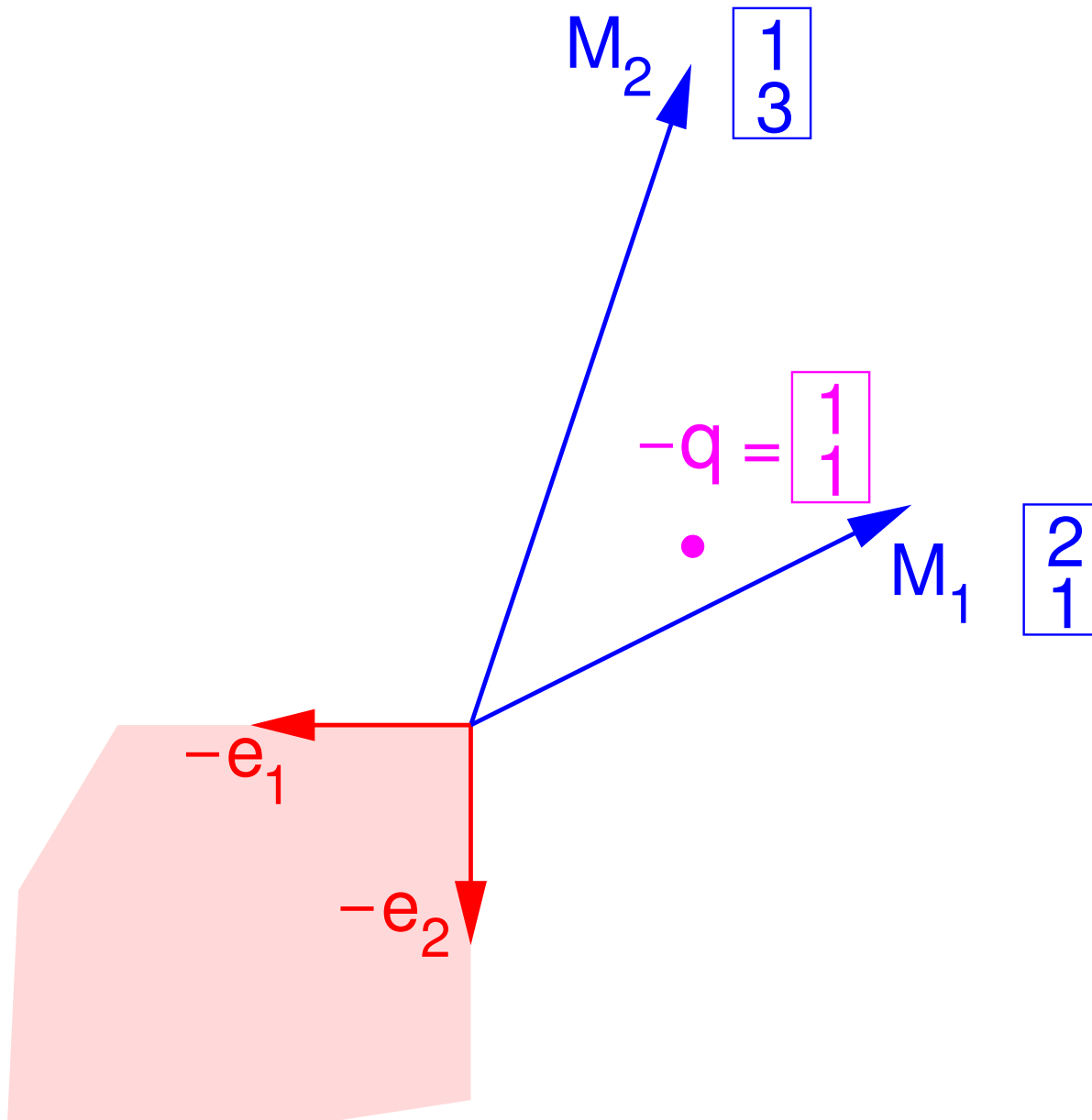
## polyhedral view :

- gives feasibility,  
want complementary **vertex**

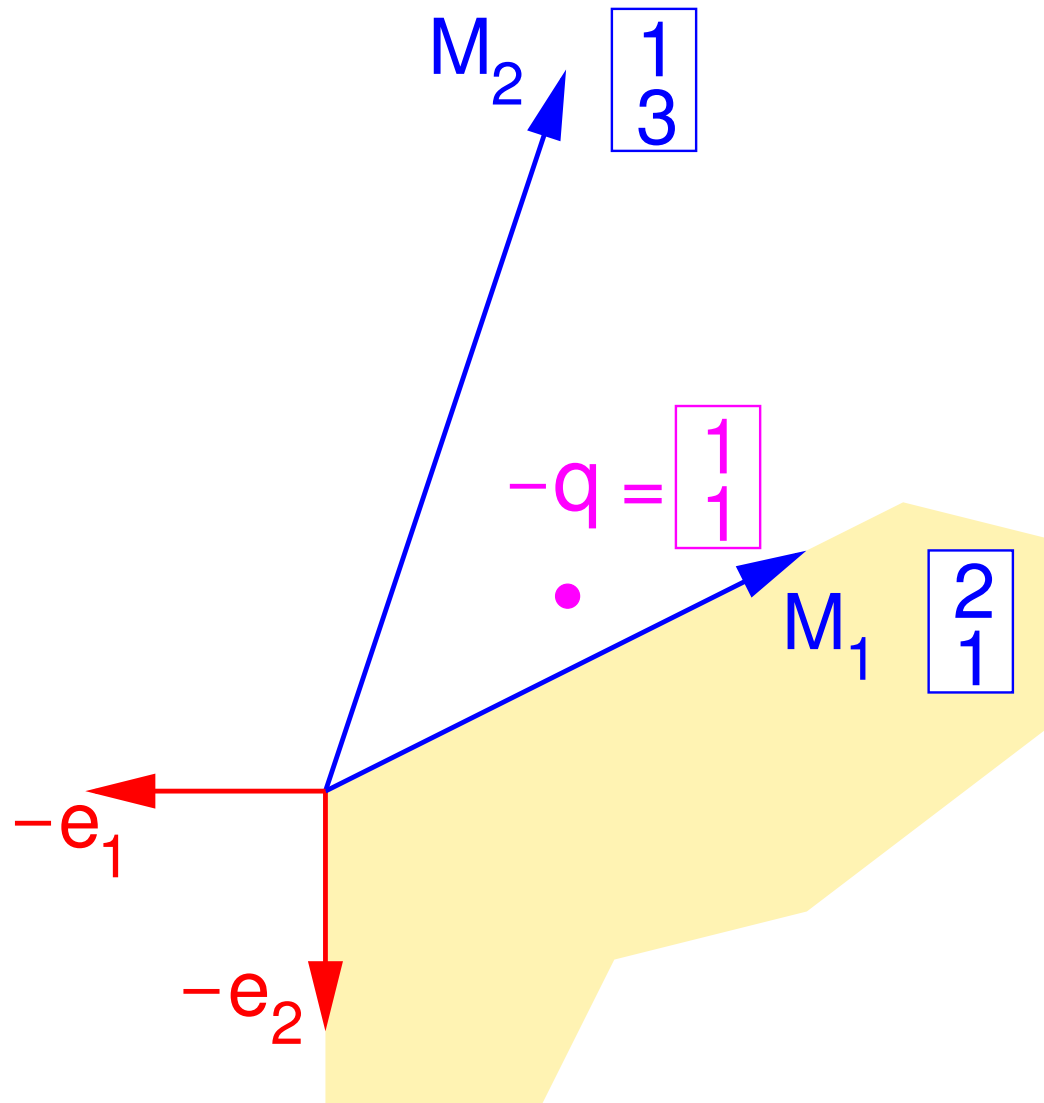
## complementary cones :

- gives complementarity and feasibility,  
want  **$\alpha$**  giving **cone  $C(\alpha)$**  containing  **$-q$**

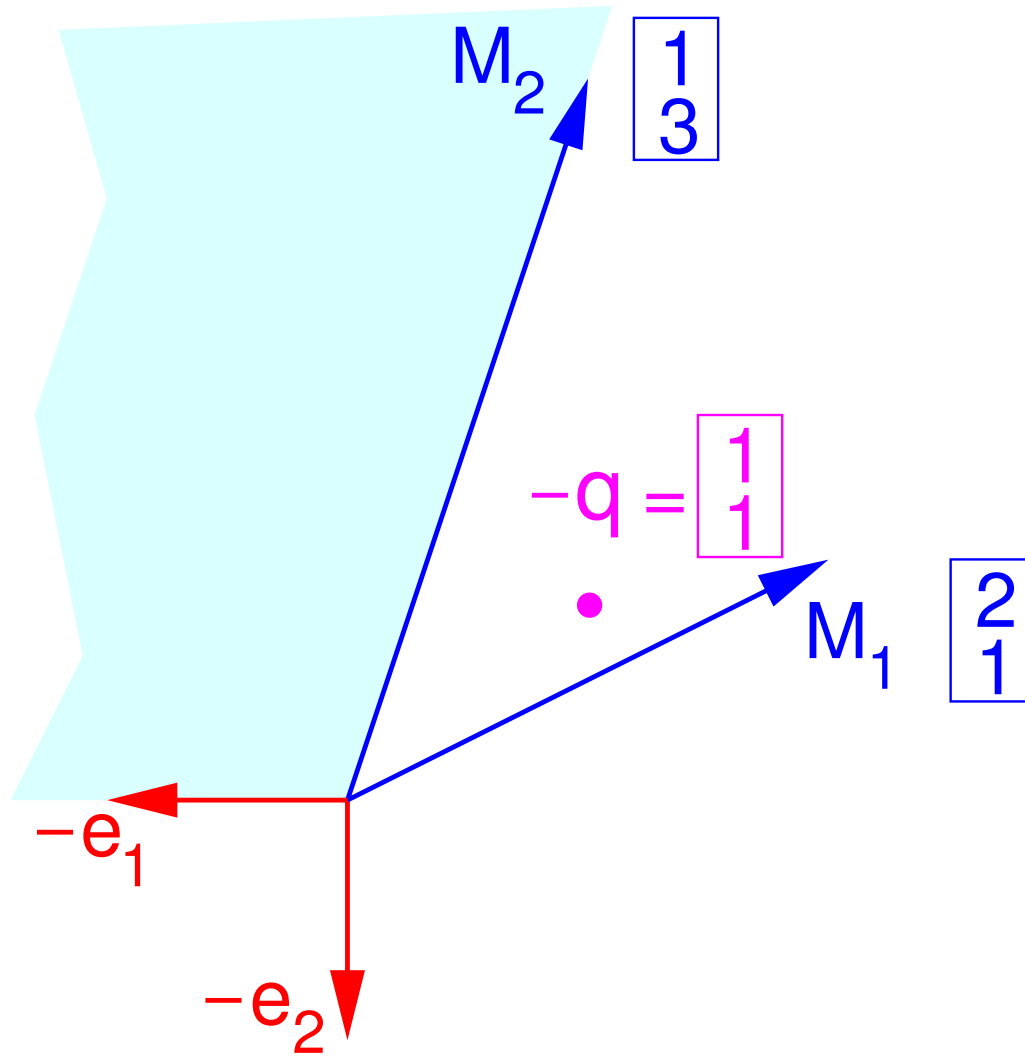
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# Complementary cone $C(\{1\})$

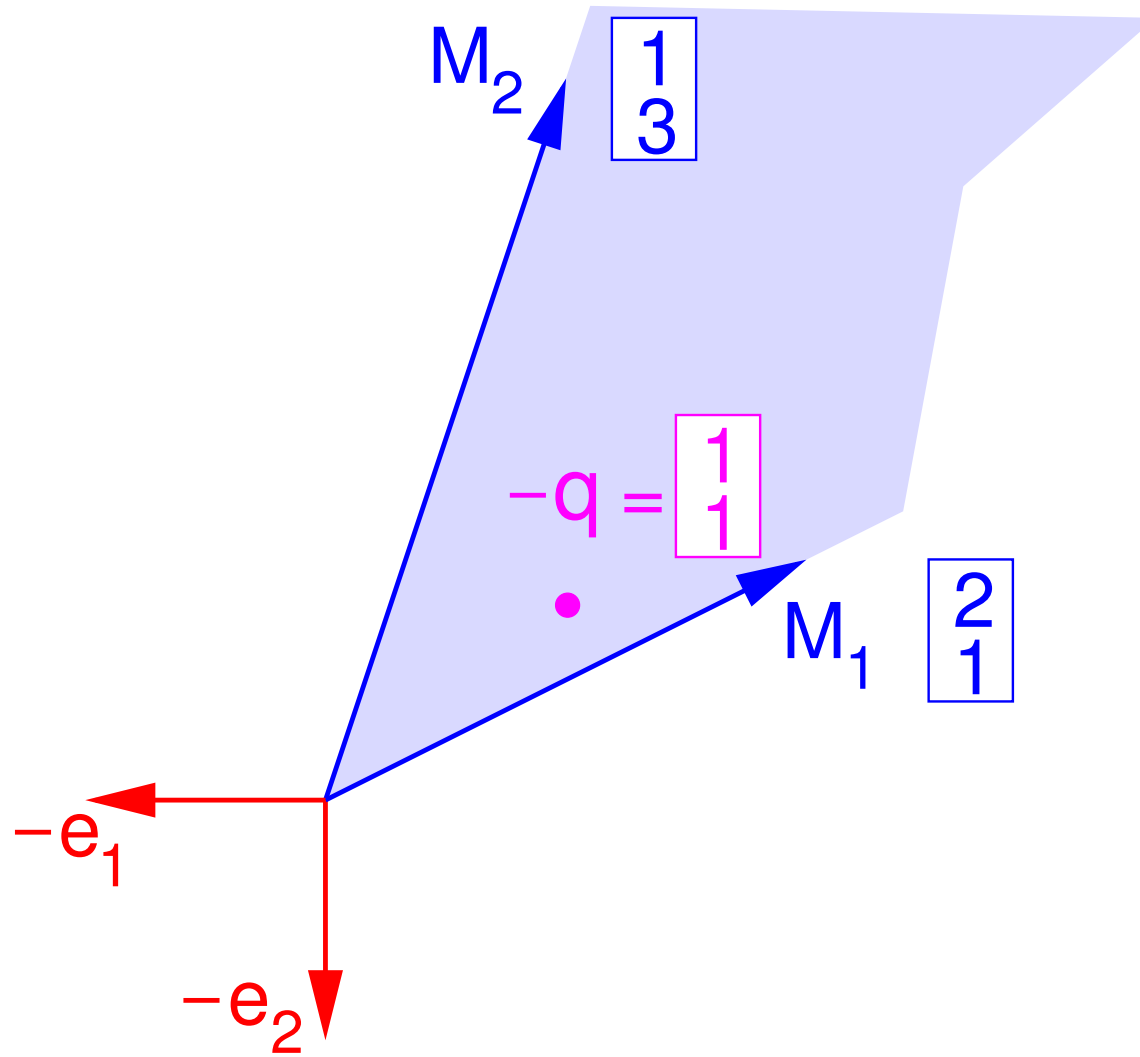


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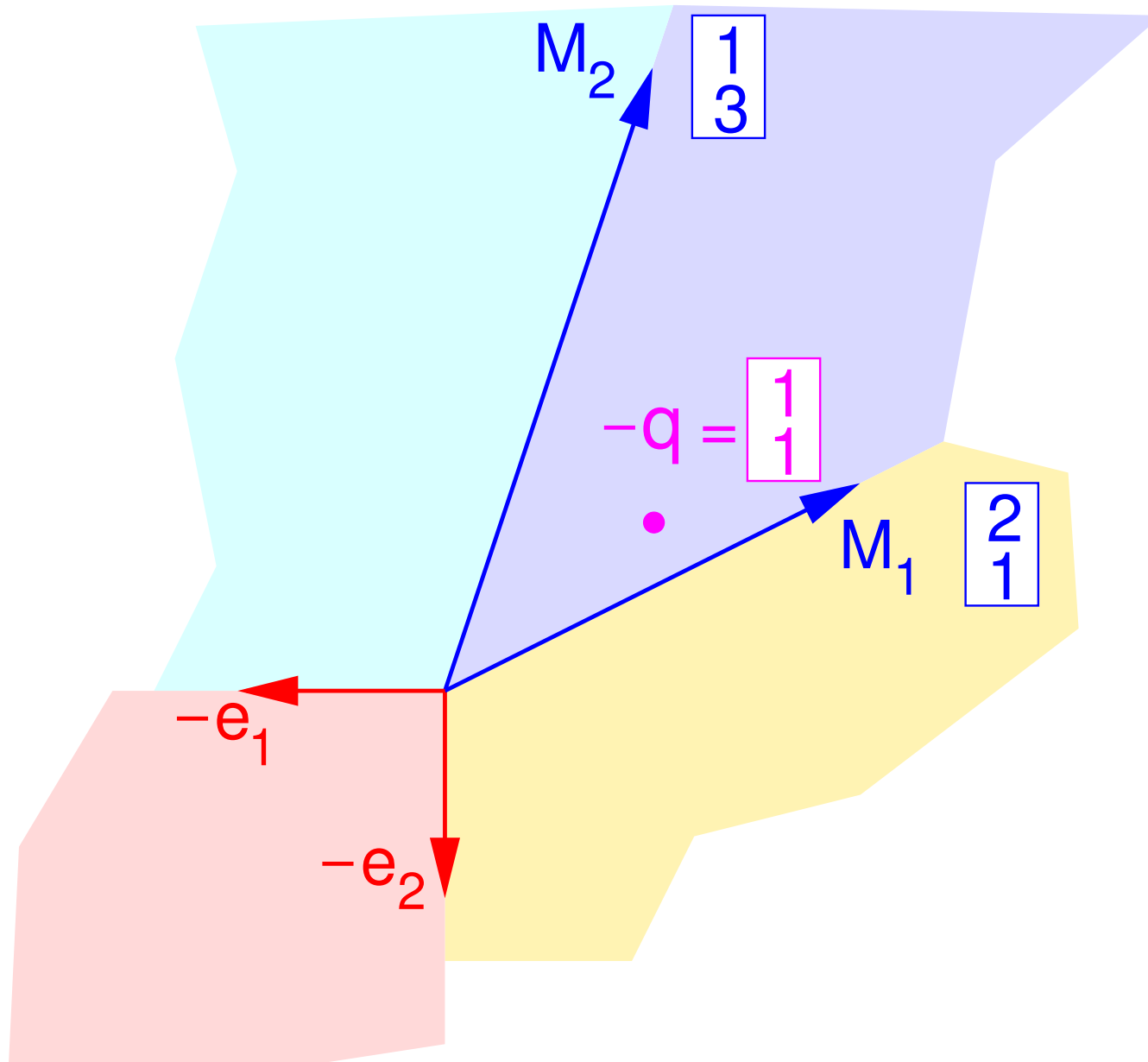




# Complementary cone $C(\{1,2\})$



# All complementary cones



# LCP map

Let  $\alpha \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,

$\alpha$ -orthant = cone  $\{ e_i, -e_j \mid i \in \alpha, j \notin \alpha \}$ ,

$C(\alpha)$  = cone  $\{ M_i, -e_j \mid i \in \alpha, j \notin \alpha \}$ ,

$x_i^+ = \max(x_i, 0)$ ,  $x_i^- = \min(x_i, 0)$

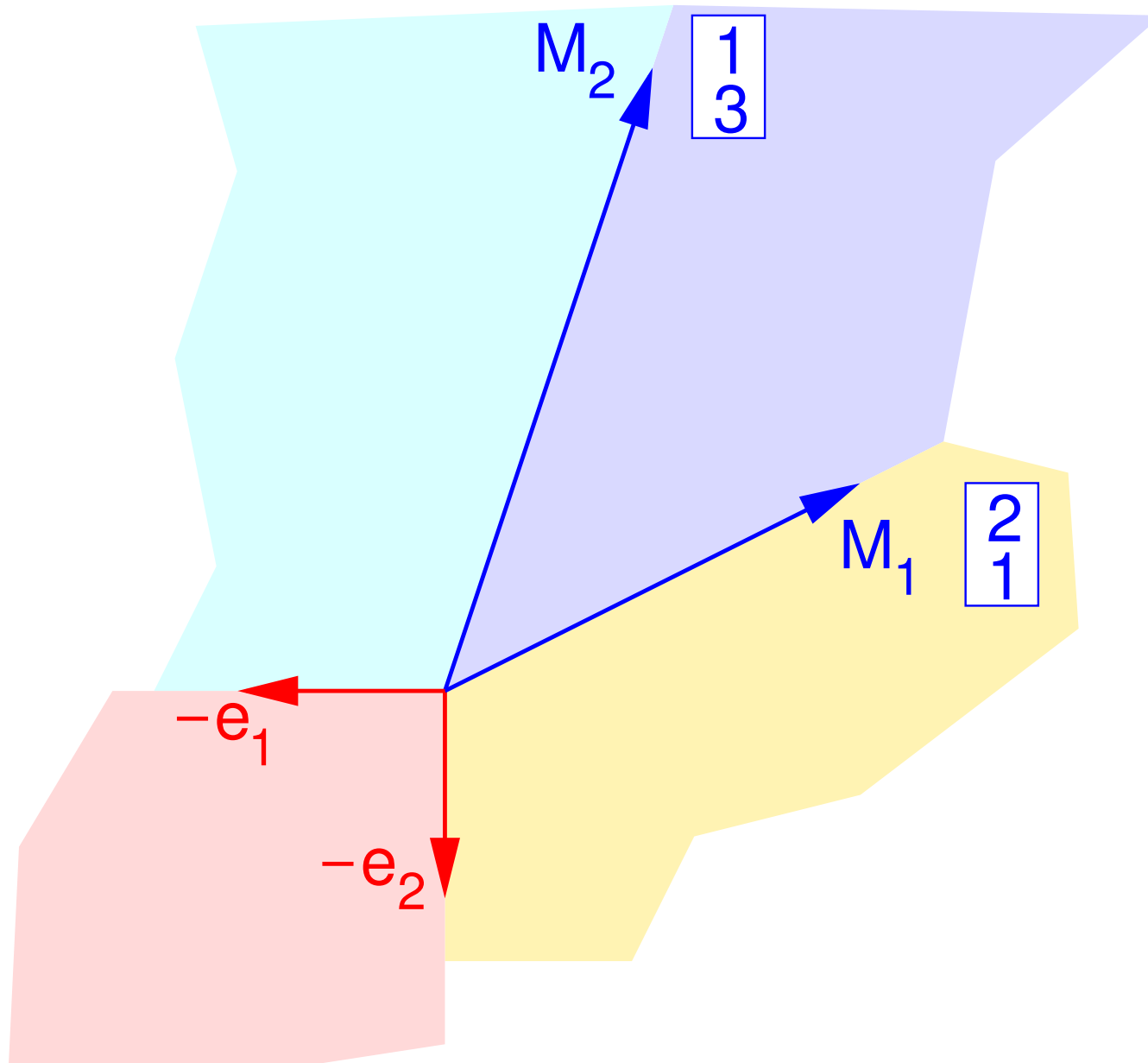
LCP map:

$$F(x) = Mx^+ + x^-$$

so

$$F(\alpha\text{-orthant}) = C(\alpha)$$

# Bijjective LCP map F



# P-matrix

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$\Leftrightarrow$  every **principal minor** is positive:

$$\det (M_{\alpha\alpha}) > 0 \quad \text{for all } \alpha \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$$

e.g.

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\det (M_{1,1}) = 2 > 0$$

$$\det (M_{2,2}) = 3 > 0$$

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$\Leftrightarrow$  **F** bijective

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall q \in \mathbf{R}^n \quad \exists! z \quad \text{s.t.} \quad z \geq \mathbf{0} \quad \perp \quad Mz \geq -q$$

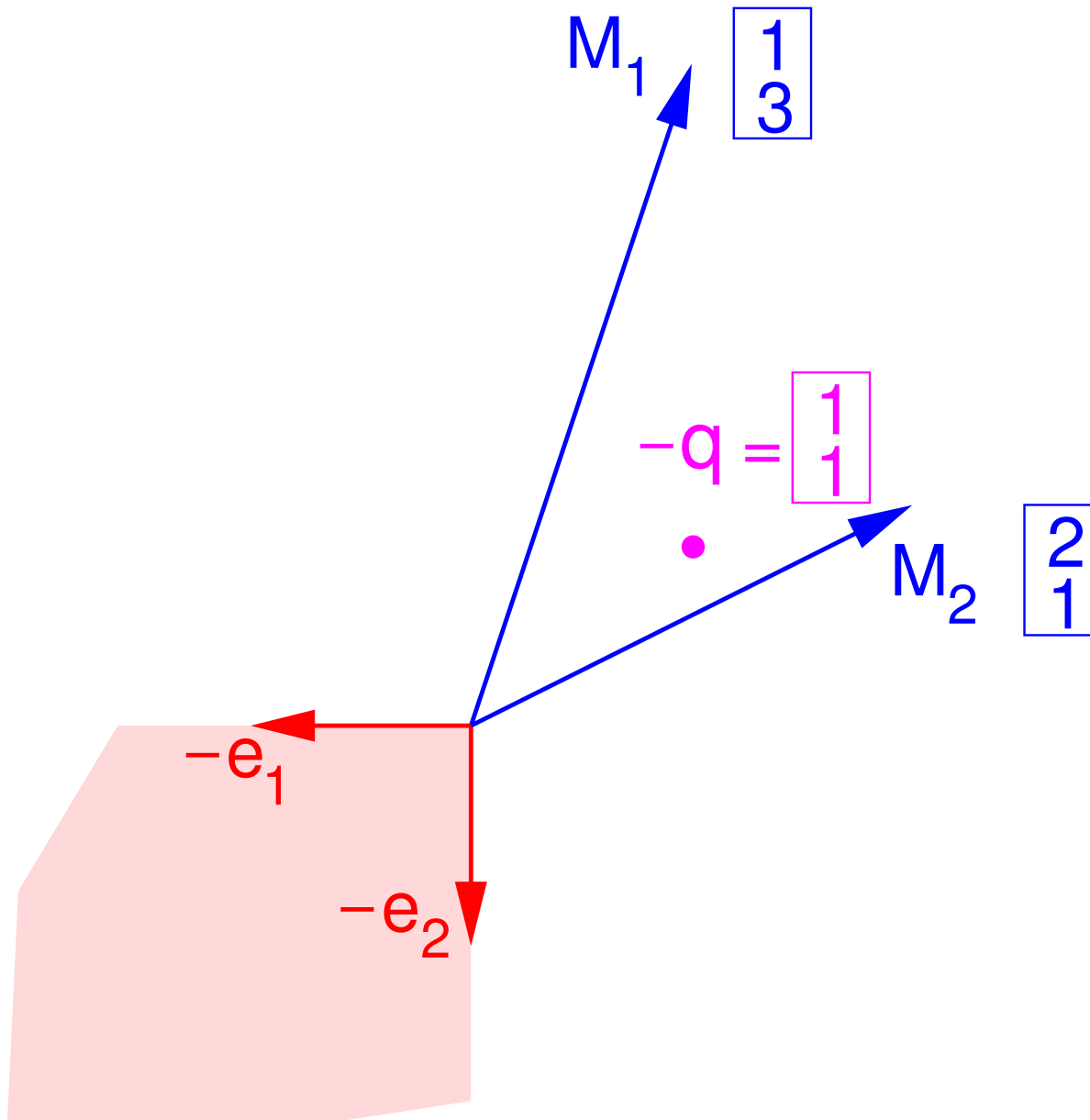
# Not a P-matrix

Example:

1	2
3	1

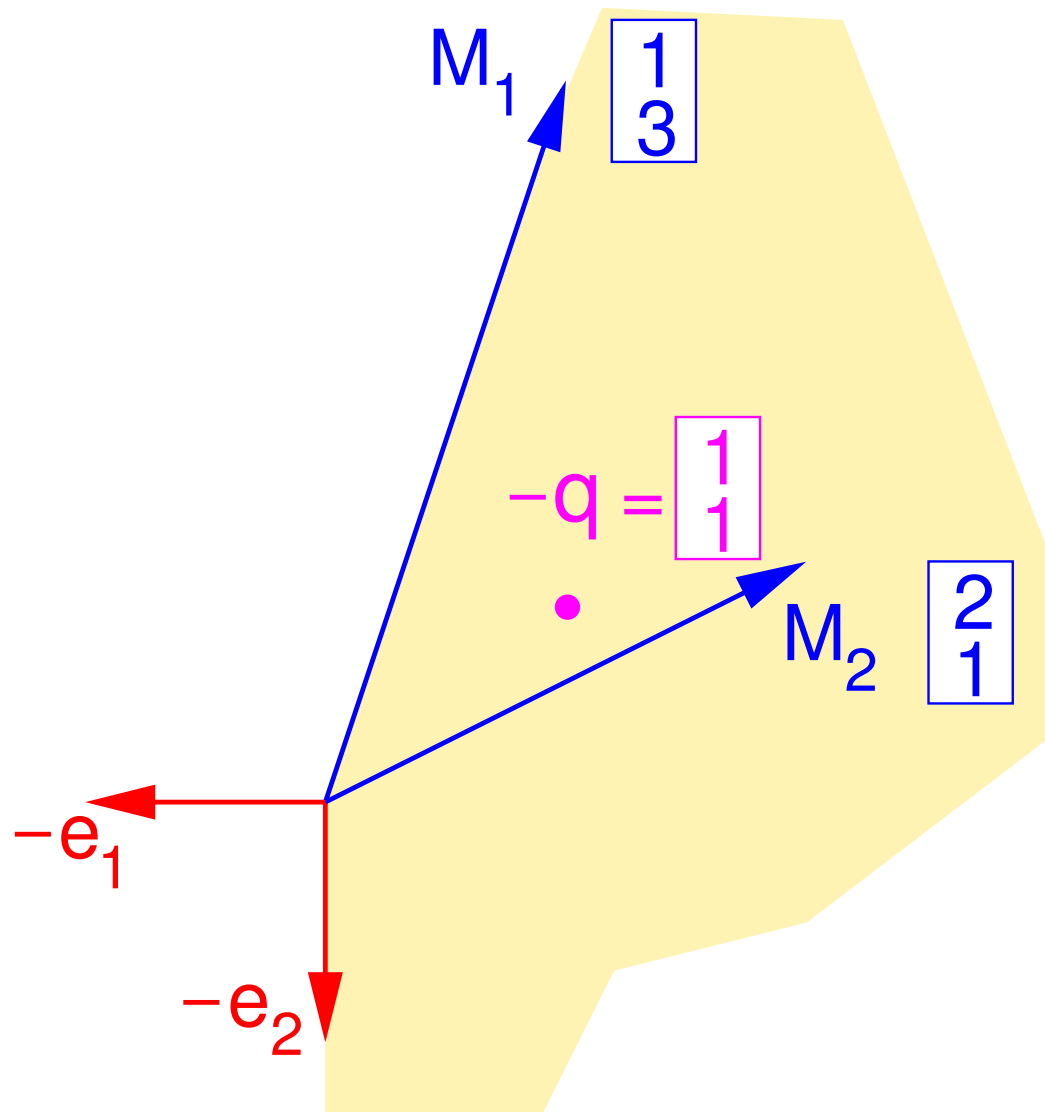
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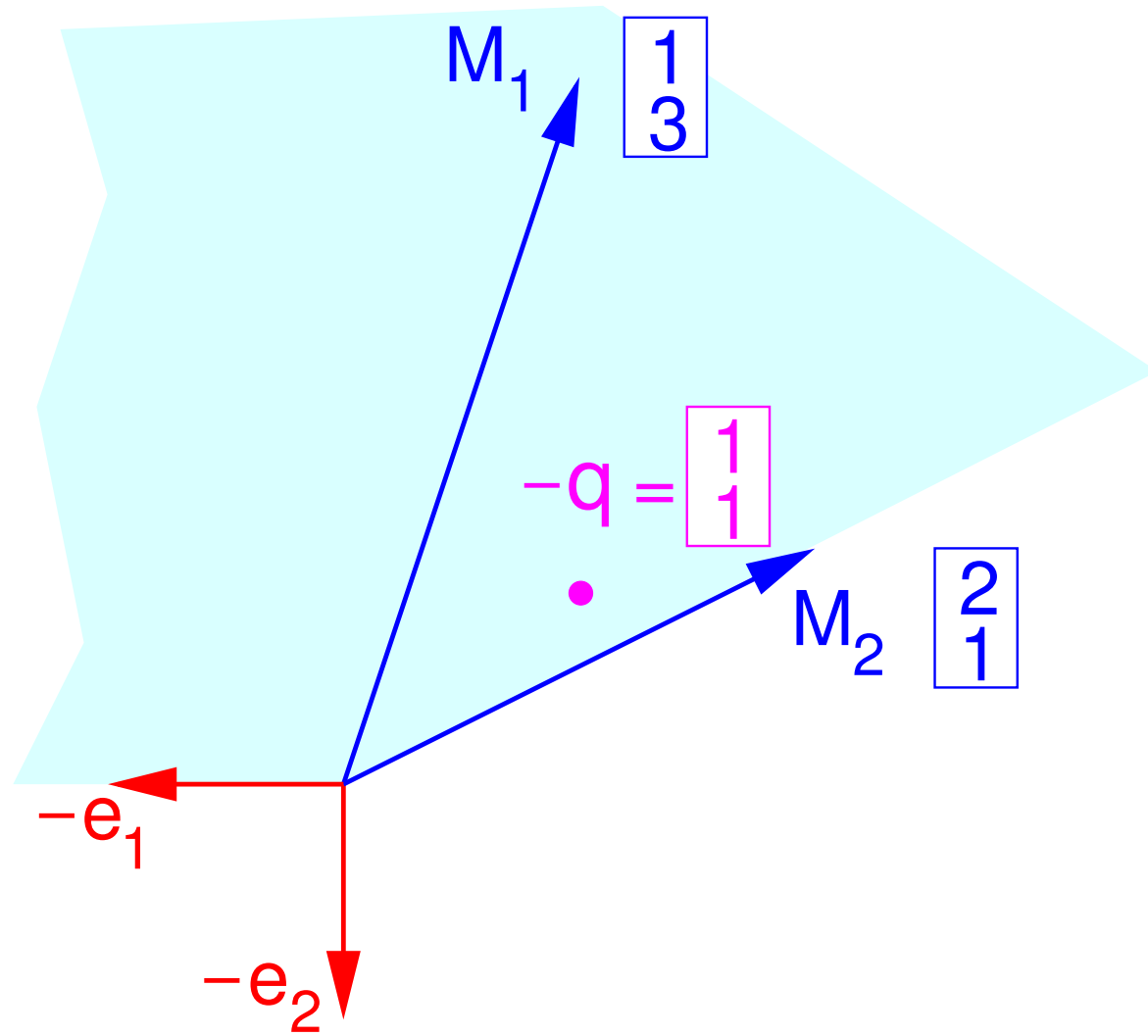




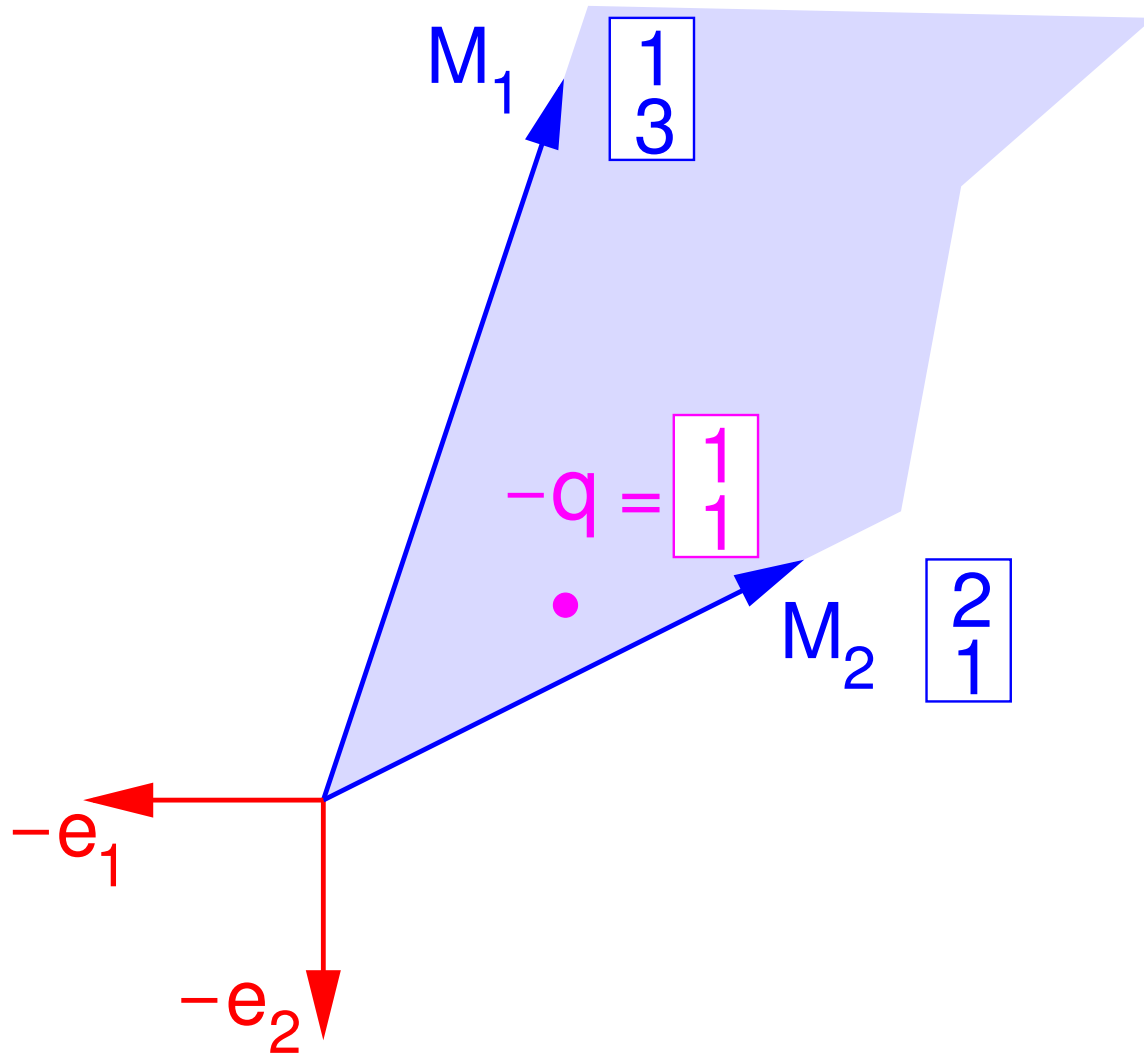
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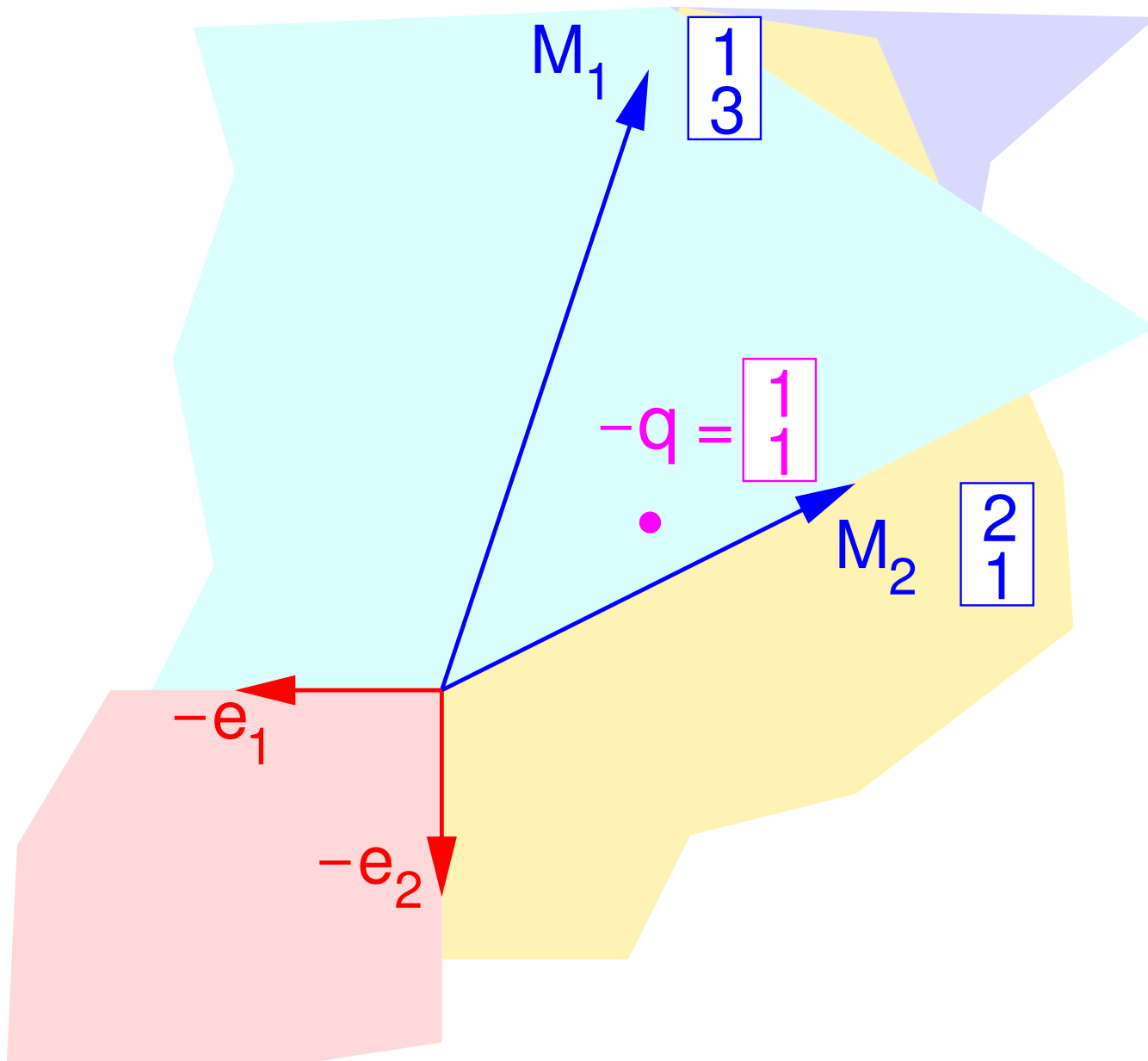
# Complementary cone $C(\{2\})$



# Complementary cone $C(\{1,2\})$



# Non-injective LCP map F



# F is surjective for $M > 0$

Given:  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Claim:  $\exists x : F(x) = Mx^+ + x^- = p$

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**Step 2.**  $\forall k \notin \alpha$  choose  $-x_k^- = w_k \geq 0$  so that

$$\sum_{j \in \alpha} m_{kj} x_j^+ - w_k = p_k (\leq 0).$$

Gives  $F(x) = p$ .



# Lemke via complementary cones

Invert the piecewise linear map  $F(x)$  along the line segment  $[-d, -q]$ :

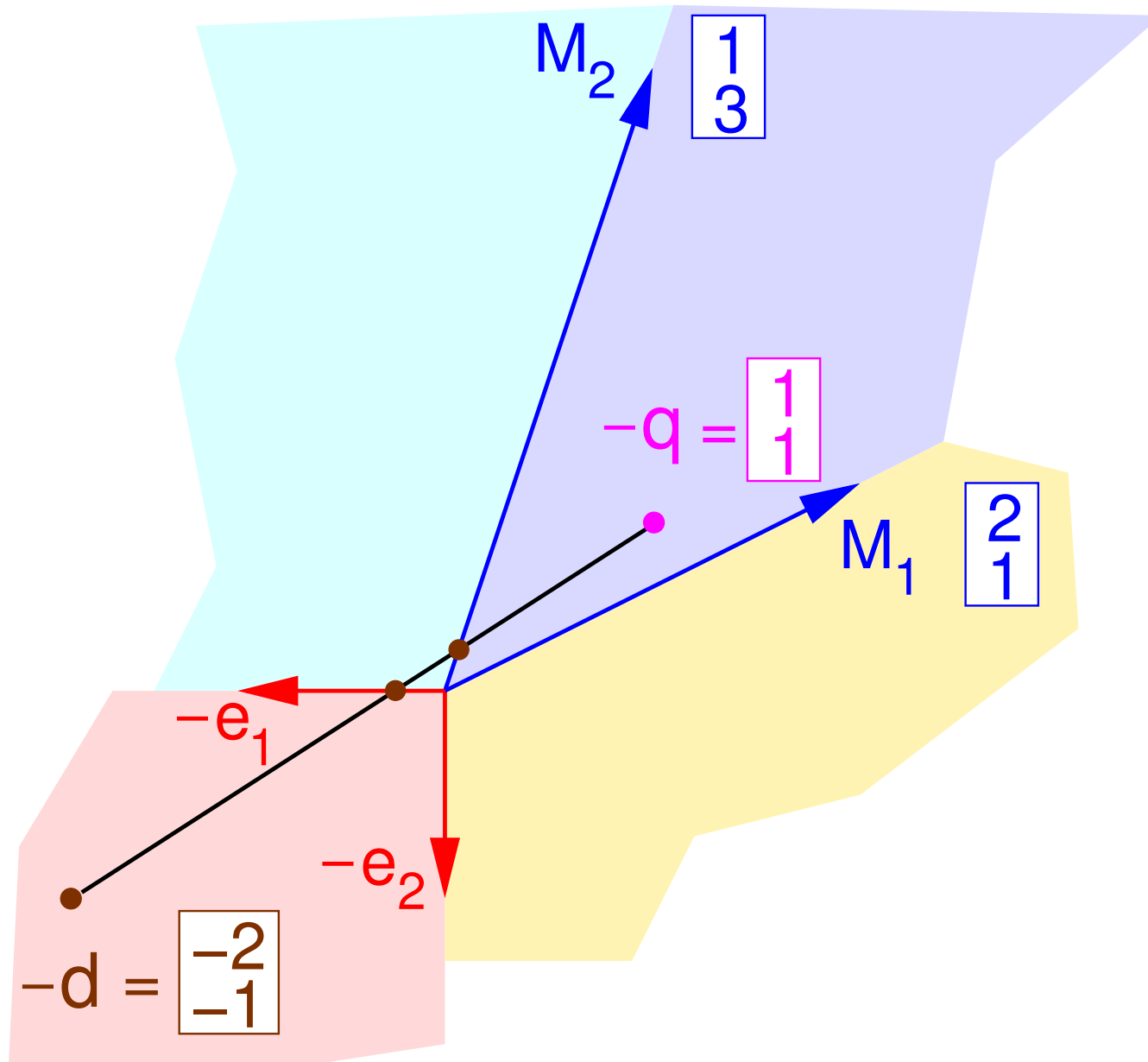
$$F(x) = Mx^+ + x^- = (-d)(1-t) + (-q)t \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1)$$

$t > 0$ :

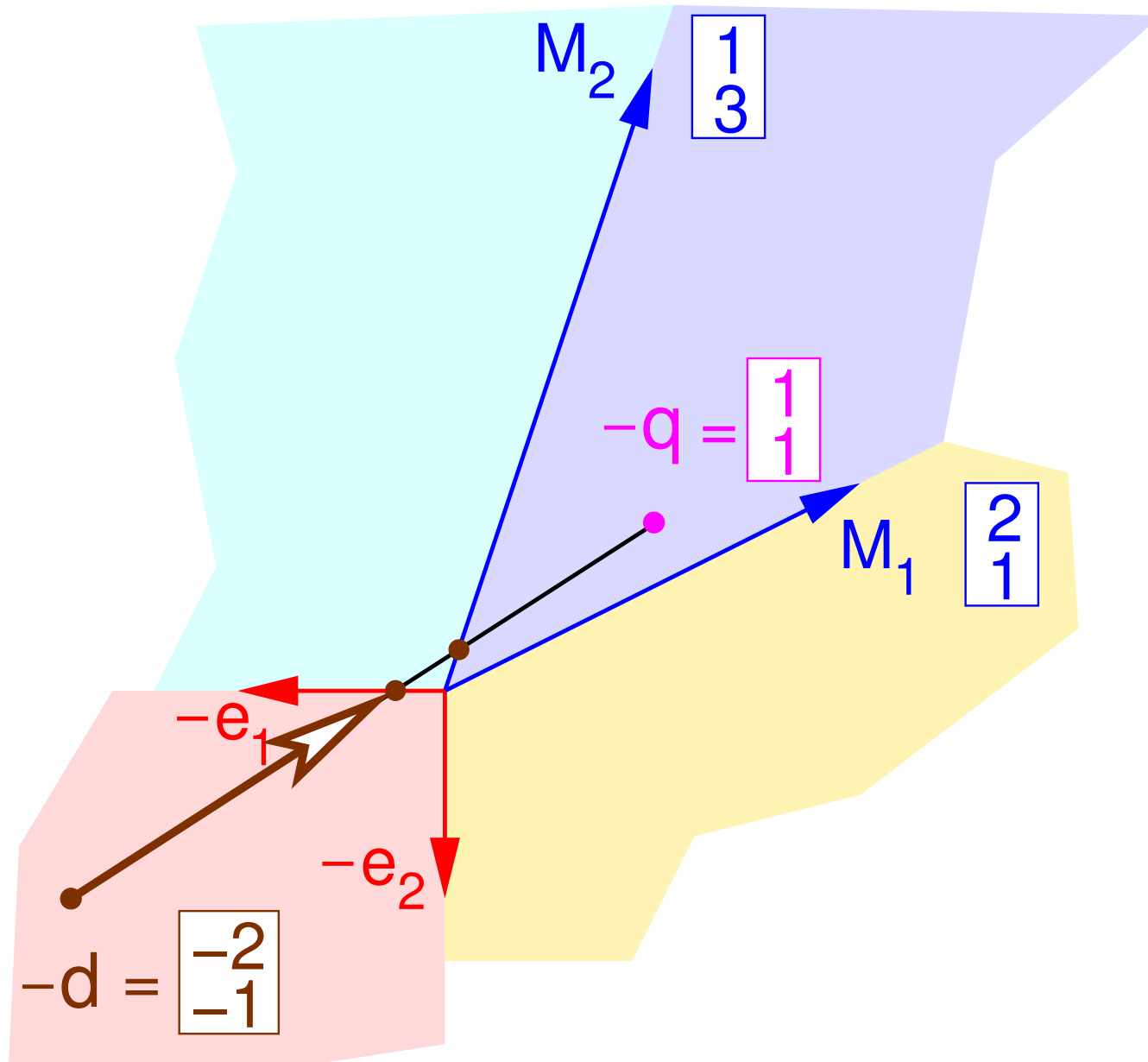
$$\Leftrightarrow Mx^+(1/t) + x^-(1/t) = (-d)(1-t)/t + (-q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Mz - w = (-d)z_0 + (-q), \quad z \geq 0 \perp w \geq 0.$$

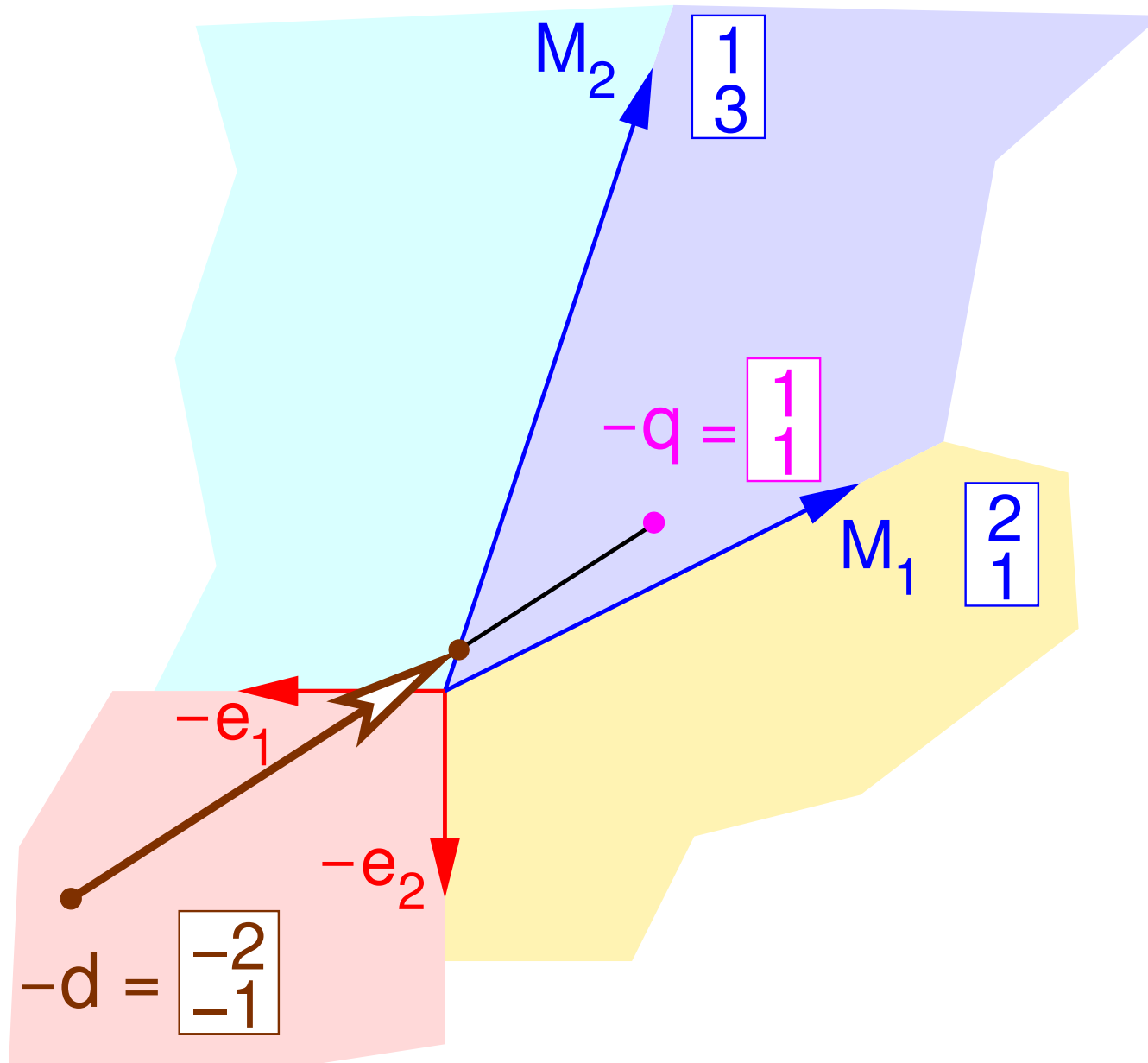
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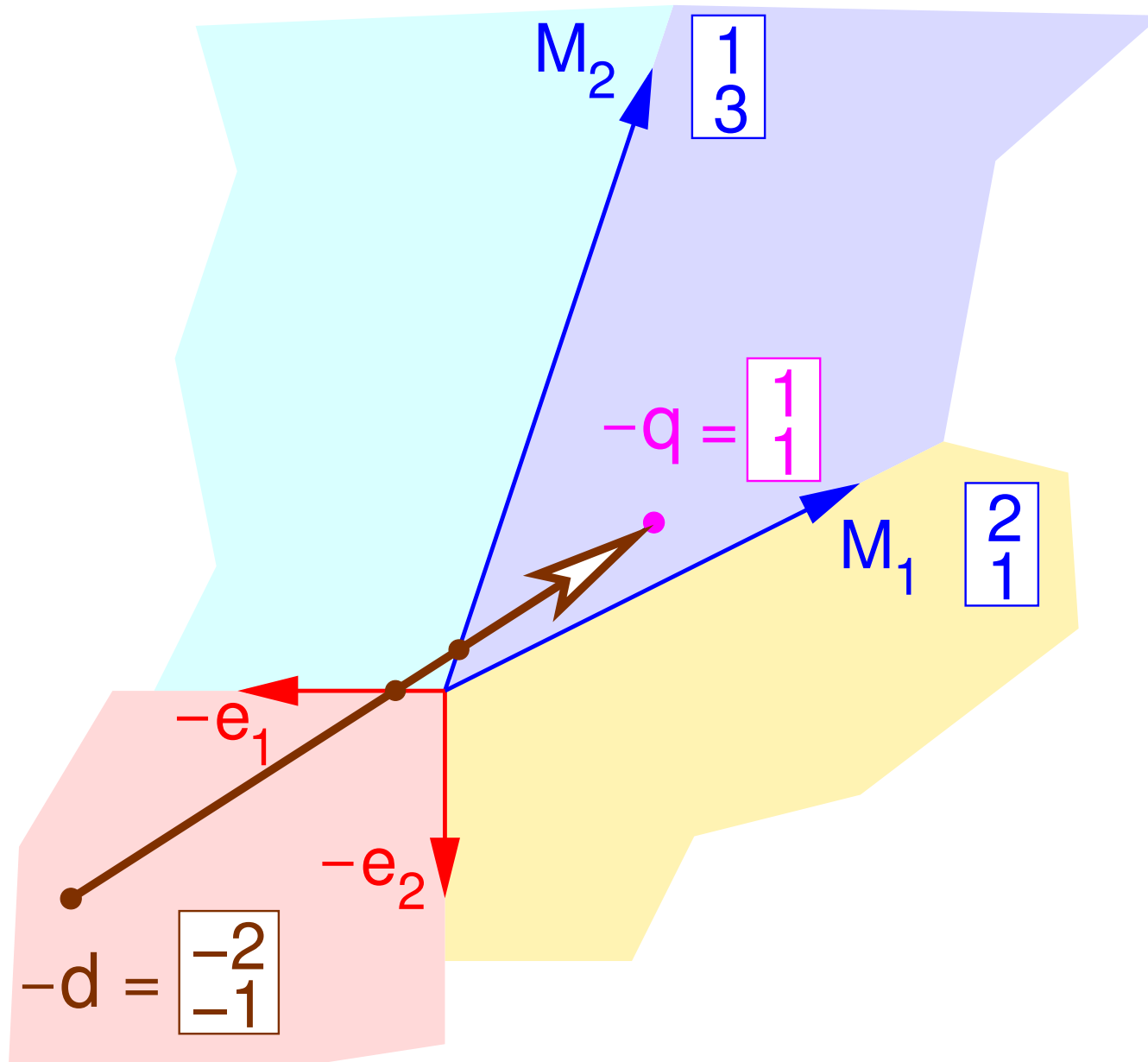
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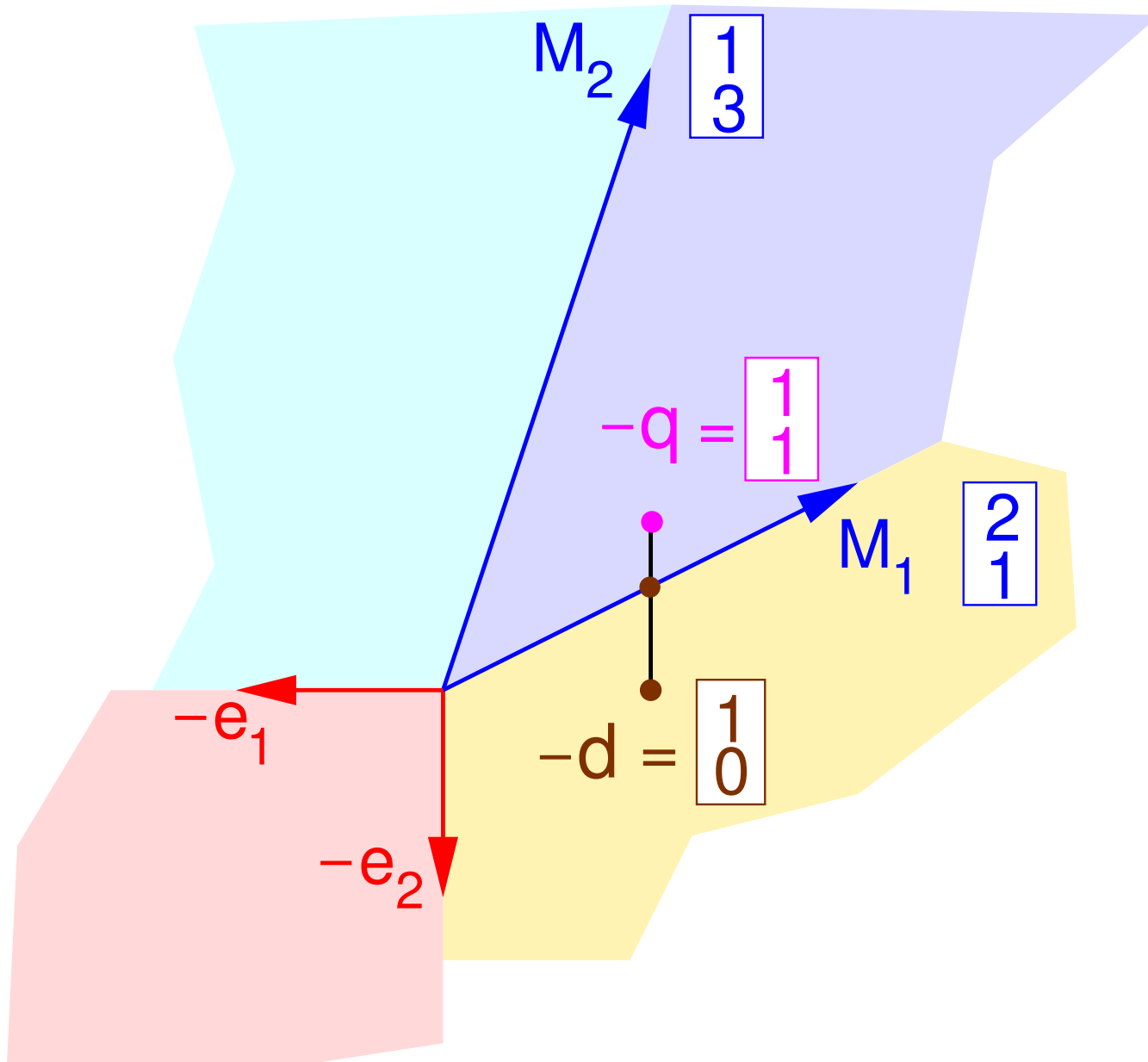
# Lemke-Howson: $-d = \text{unit vector}$

## Theorem:

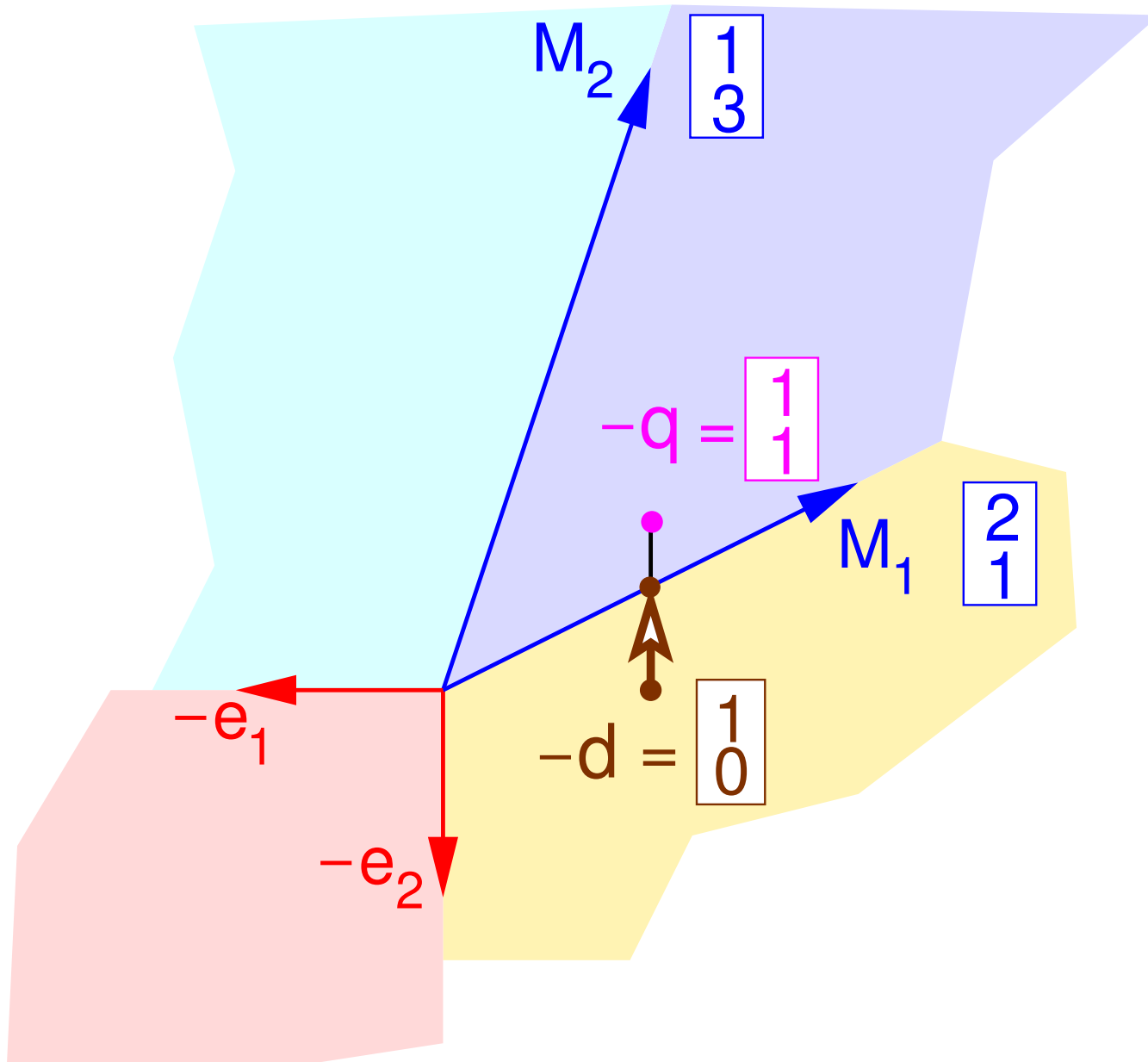
Symmetric Lemke-Howson with missing label  $k$   
= Lemke started at  $-d = e_k$  in cone  $\mathbf{C}(\{k\})$

- Proof:**
- initialize by pivoting  $z_0$  in,  $w_k$  out  
(still infeasible!),  $w_k$  stays in negative unit column
  - pivot  $z_k$  in (note  $M_k > 0$ ), gives start in cone  $\mathbf{C}(\{k\})$

# Start at unit vector

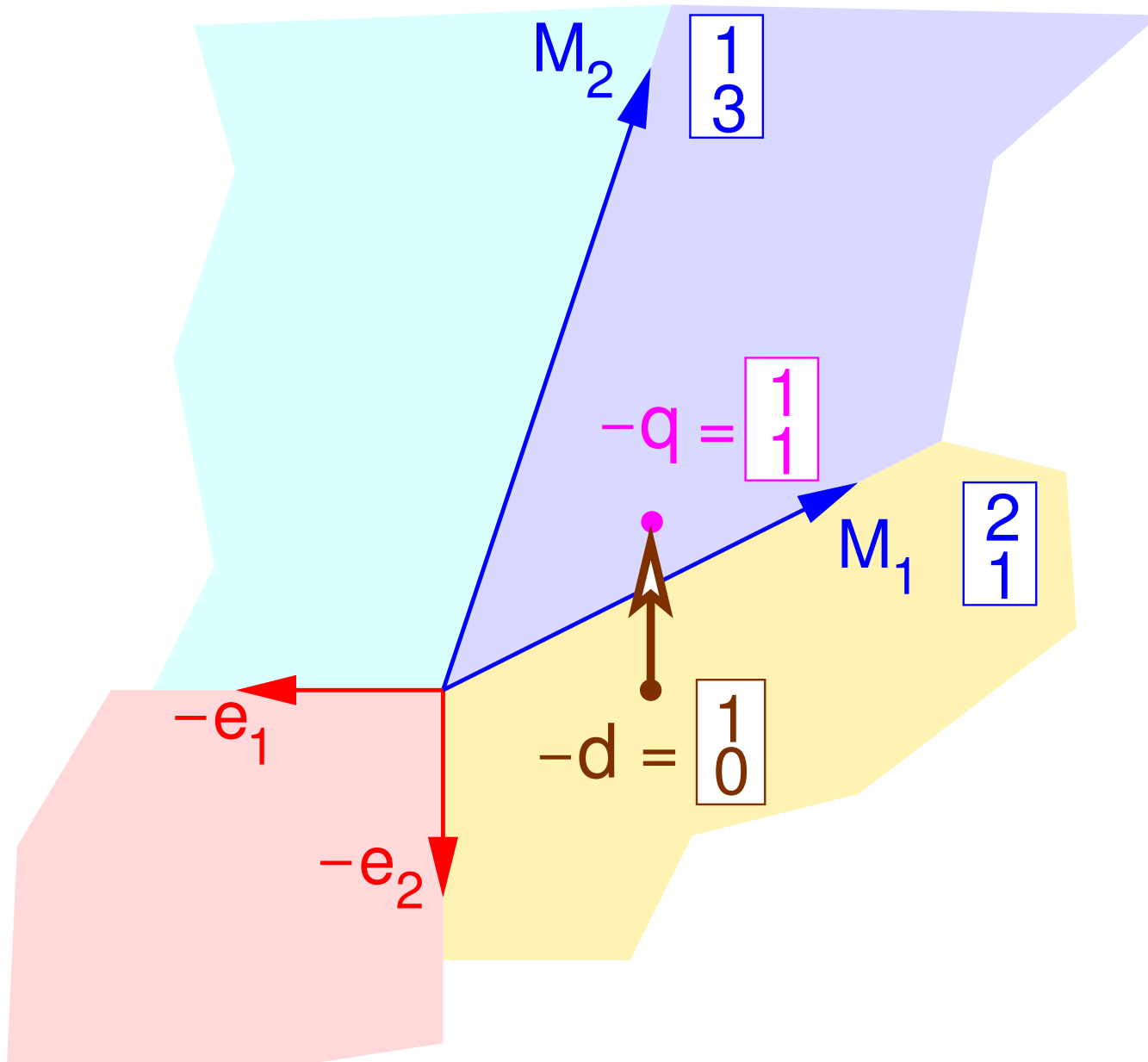


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# Complexity

A result of **Morris** implies that the symmetric LH can be **best-case exponential** (i.e., for **any** missing label).

**Savani & von Stengel** showed that for bimatrix games LH can be **best-case exponential** (i.e., for **any** missing label).

**Murty** and **Goldfarb** (independently):

Lemke's algorithm derived from an **LP** can be **exponential** for the specific covering vectors  $(0, \dots, 0, 1, \dots, 1)^T$  resp.  $(1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)^T$ .

**Megiddo**: Lemke for **random M** (not  $> \mathbf{0}$ ) has **expected**

- **exponential** running time when  $\mathbf{d} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T$
- **quadratic** running time when  $\mathbf{d} = (\varepsilon, \varepsilon^2, \dots, \varepsilon^n)^T$ .

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[ [Goldberg / Papadimitriou / Savani](#) ]:

Finding this Nash equilibrium is PSPACE-complete.

# Summary

- Lemke's algorithm = complementary pivoting
- polyhedral and complementary-cones geometric views
- stable implementation exists
- includes Lemke-Howson as a special case
- open question: "average" running time?