

Lecture 4

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Outline

- Multi-class classification
- K-nearest neighbor

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Multi-Class Classification

Example 1: face recognition.

- #classes = #people



Multi-Class Classification

Example 2: hand-written digit recognition.

- #classes = 10



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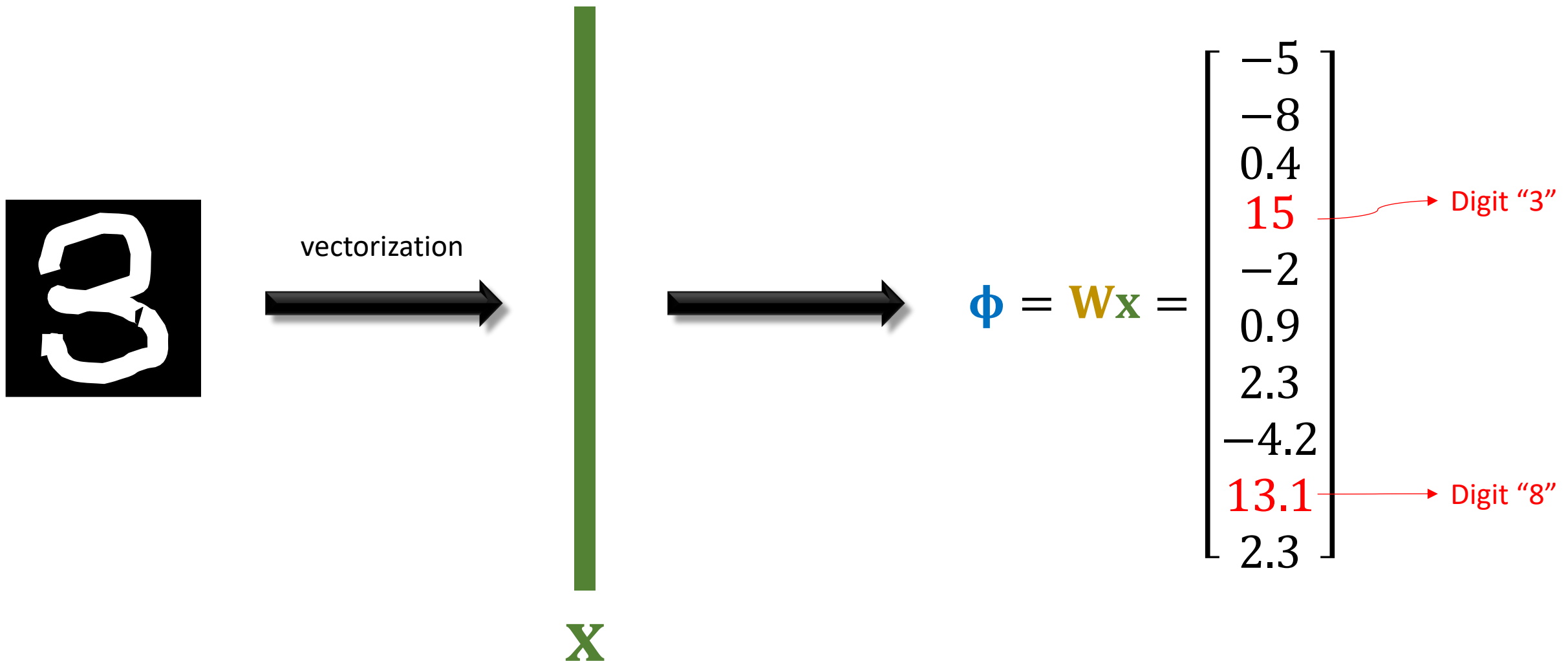


Linear regression believes \mathbf{x} is “5”



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The Right Approach



Preliminaries

One-Hot Encoding

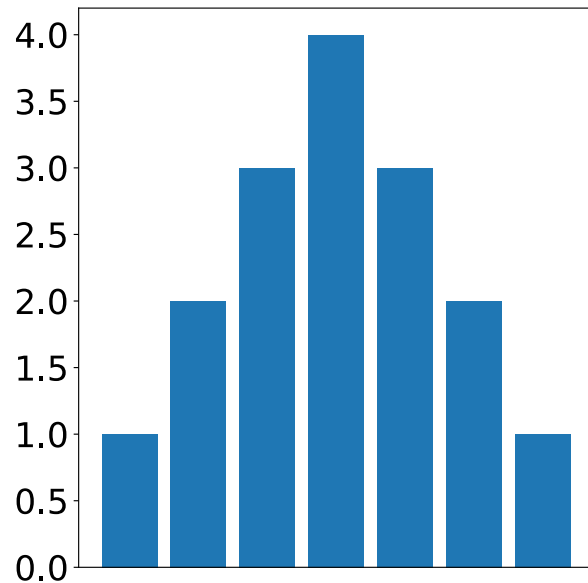
- #Class = 10 (e.g., in digit recognition).
- One-hot encode of $y = 3$:

$$\mathbf{y} = [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]^T \in \{1, 0\}^{10}$$

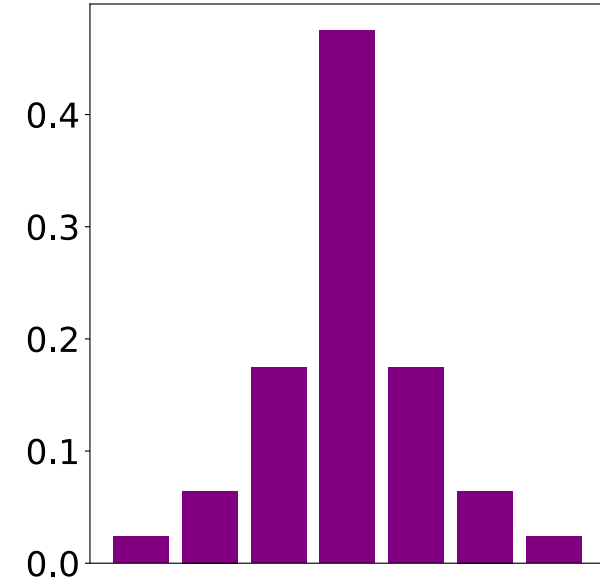
Softmax Function

- $\phi \in \mathbb{R}^K$
- $\mathbf{p} = \text{SoftMax}(\phi) \in \mathbb{R}^K$; its entries are

$$p_k = \frac{\exp(\phi_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp(\phi_j)}, \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, K.$$



SoftMax



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- Cross-entropy measures the dissimilarity between \mathbf{y} and \mathbf{p} .
- When used as loss function, $H(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p})$ can be replaced by

$$\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}\|_2^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}\|_1.$$

Softmax Classifier: Model Formulation

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Remark: If the given labels are scalars $y_1, \dots, y_n \in \{0, 1, \dots, K - 1\}$, turn them to K -dim vectors $\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_n \in \{0, 1\}^K$ using one-hot encoding.

Example: One-hot encode of $y_i = 3$ (where $K=10$):

$$\mathbf{y}_i = [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]^T \in \{0, 1\}^{10}$$

Softmax Classifier

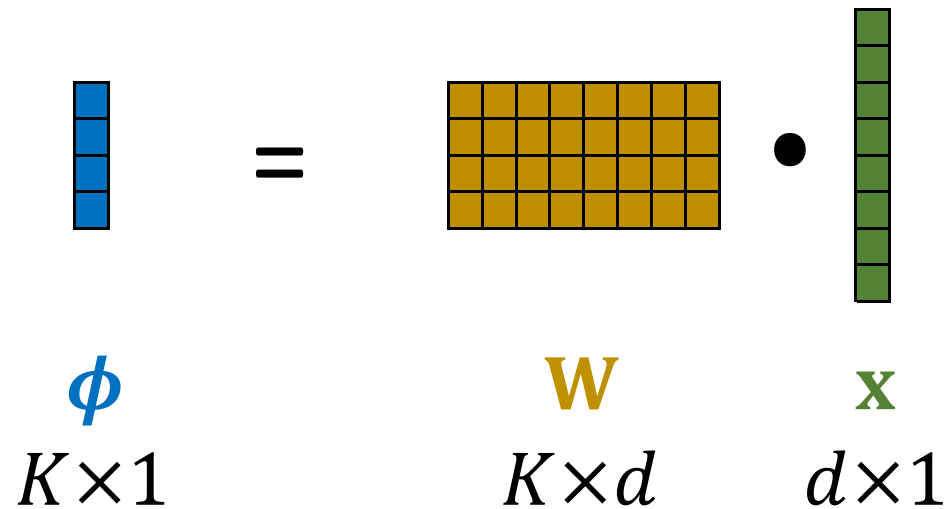
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$$\begin{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{blue column} \\ \phi \\ K \times 1 \end{matrix} & = & \begin{matrix} \text{yellow matrix} \\ \mathbf{W} \\ K \times d \end{matrix} & \cdot & \begin{matrix} \text{green column} \\ \mathbf{x} \\ d \times 1 \end{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

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$$\boldsymbol{\phi} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -8 \\ 0.4 \\ 15 \\ -2 \\ 0.9 \\ 2.3 \\ -4.2 \\ 13.1 \\ 2.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ Digit "3"

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- $p_1 + \dots + p_K = 1$.
- Thus $\mathbf{p} = [p_1, \dots, p_K] \in \mathbb{R}^K$ is a distribution.

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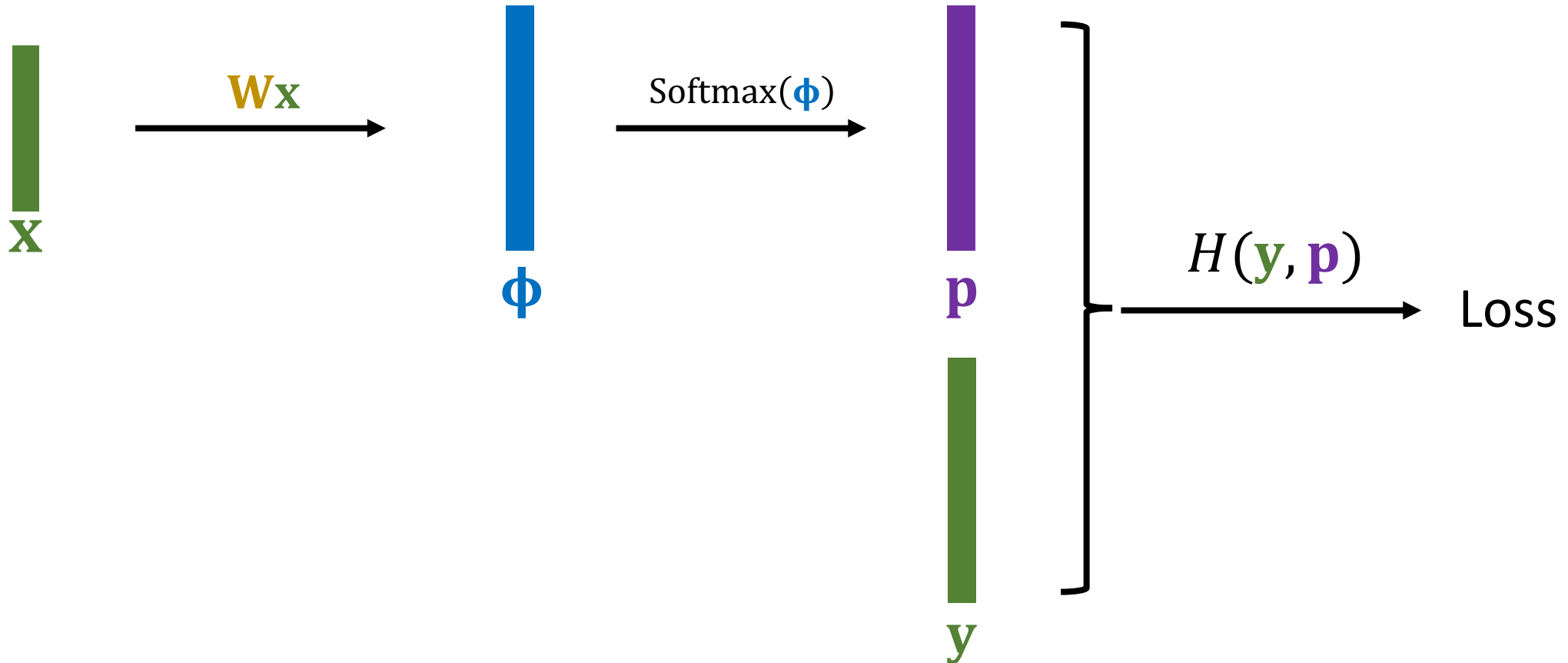
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Softmax function



Cross-entropy loss

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- The role of minimizing $H(\mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{p}_i)$ is making \mathbf{p}_i similar to \mathbf{y}_i .
- $H(\mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{p}_i)$ can be replaced by $\|\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{p}_i\|_2^2$.
- In practice, cross-entropy works better.

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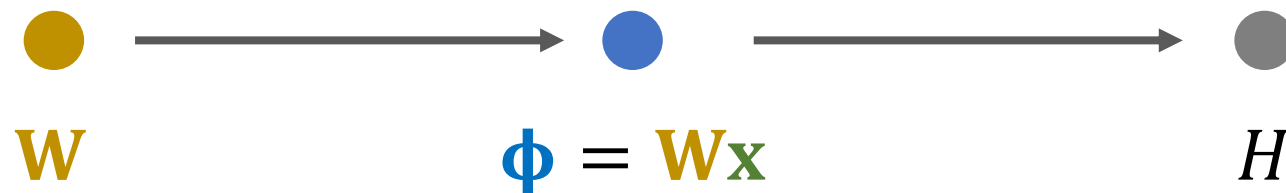
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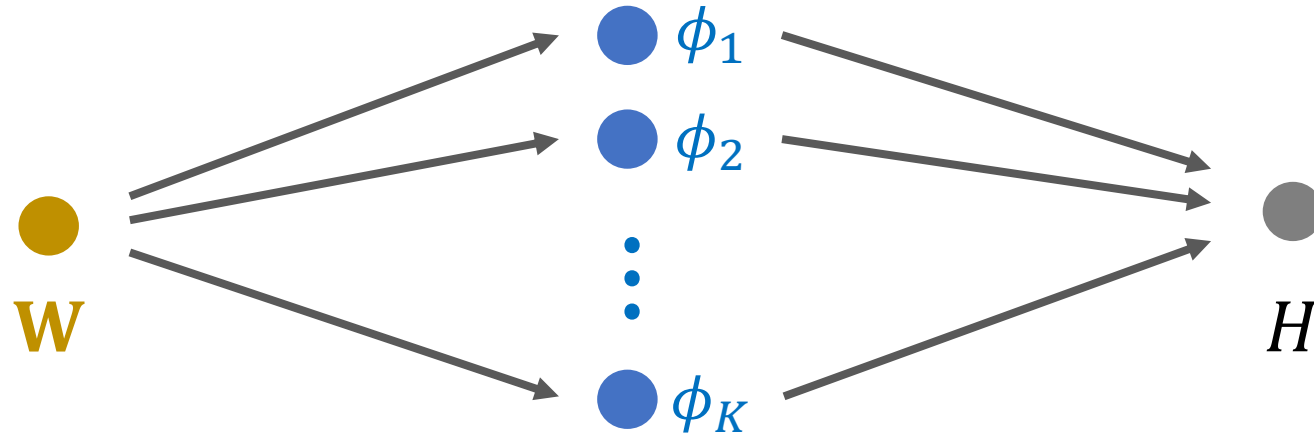
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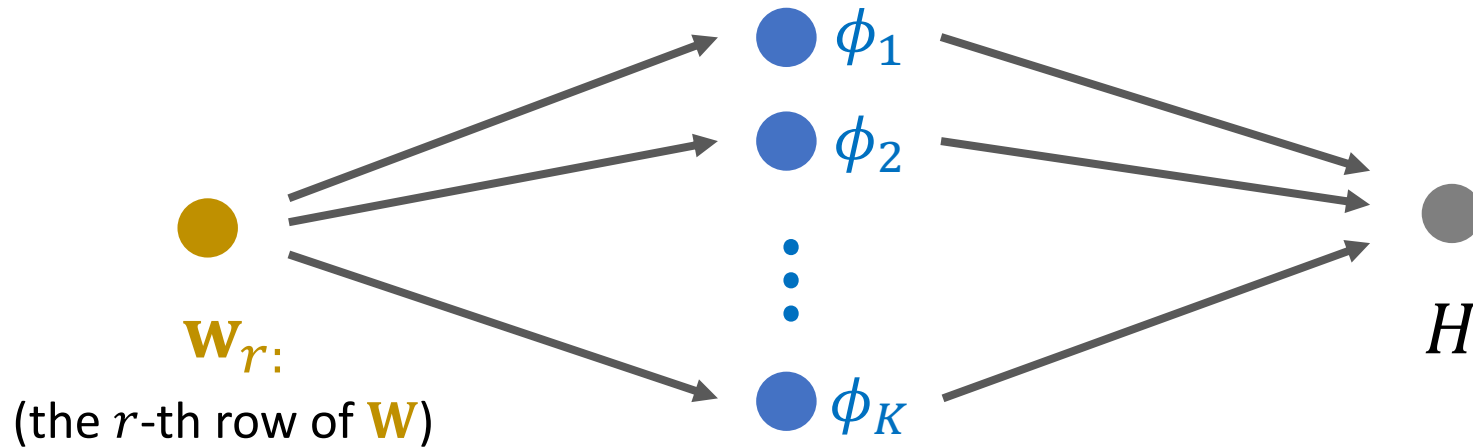
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Chain rule:
$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{w}_{r:}} = \sum_{q=1}^K \frac{\partial \phi_q}{\partial \mathbf{w}_{r:}} \cdot \frac{\partial H}{\partial \phi_q}$$

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SGD Algorithm:

1. Randomly sample i from $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.
2. Compute \mathbf{G}_i using $(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)$.
3. $\mathbf{W} \leftarrow \mathbf{W} - \alpha \mathbf{G}_i$.

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Limitations of Softmax Classifier

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Trainable parameters

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- Suppose $\text{\#classes} = 1M$ (e.g., face recognition).
 - $1K \times 1M = 1G$ parameters → Heavy computation and memory costs.

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Nearest Neighbor Methods

K-Nearest Neighbor (KNN)

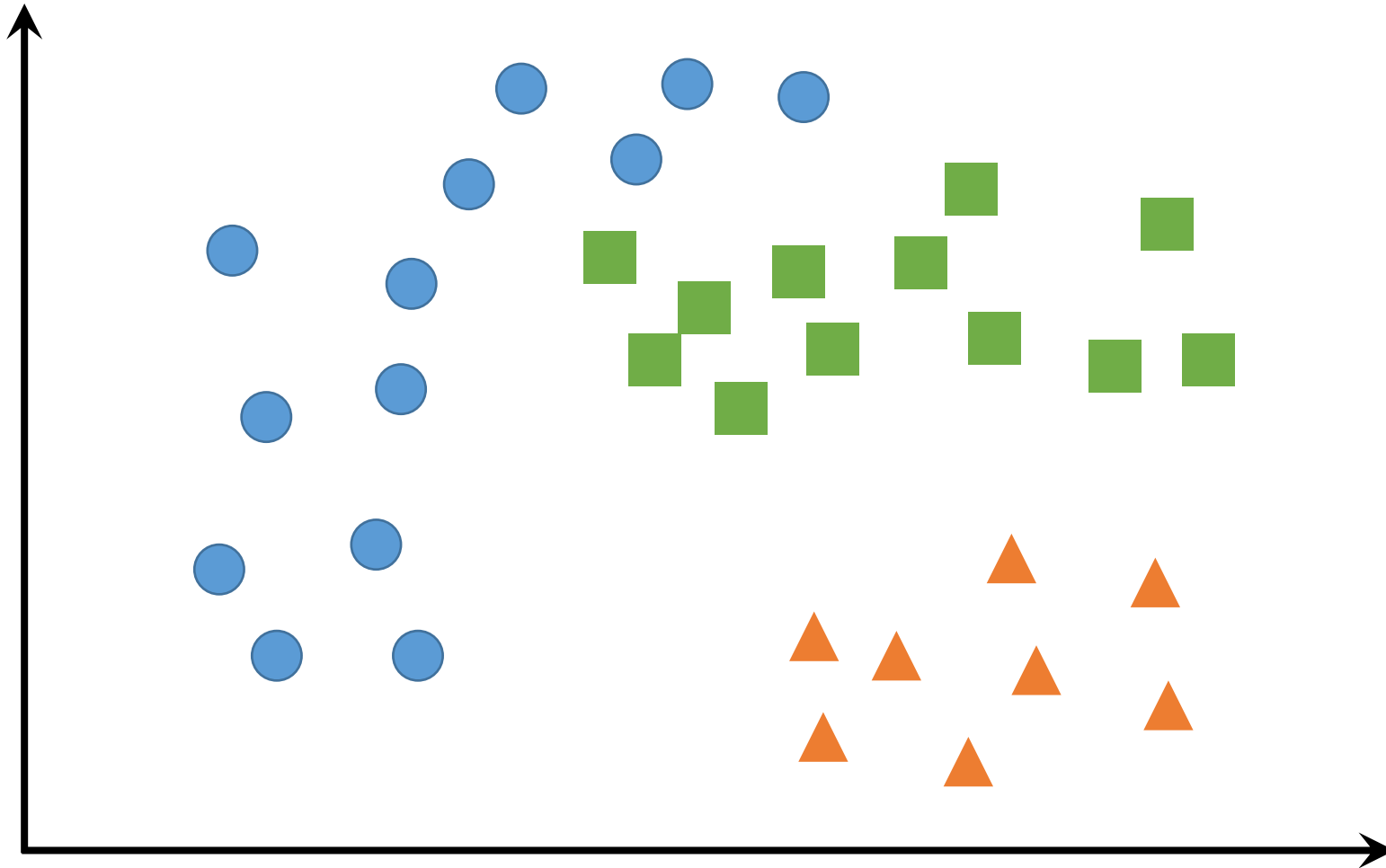
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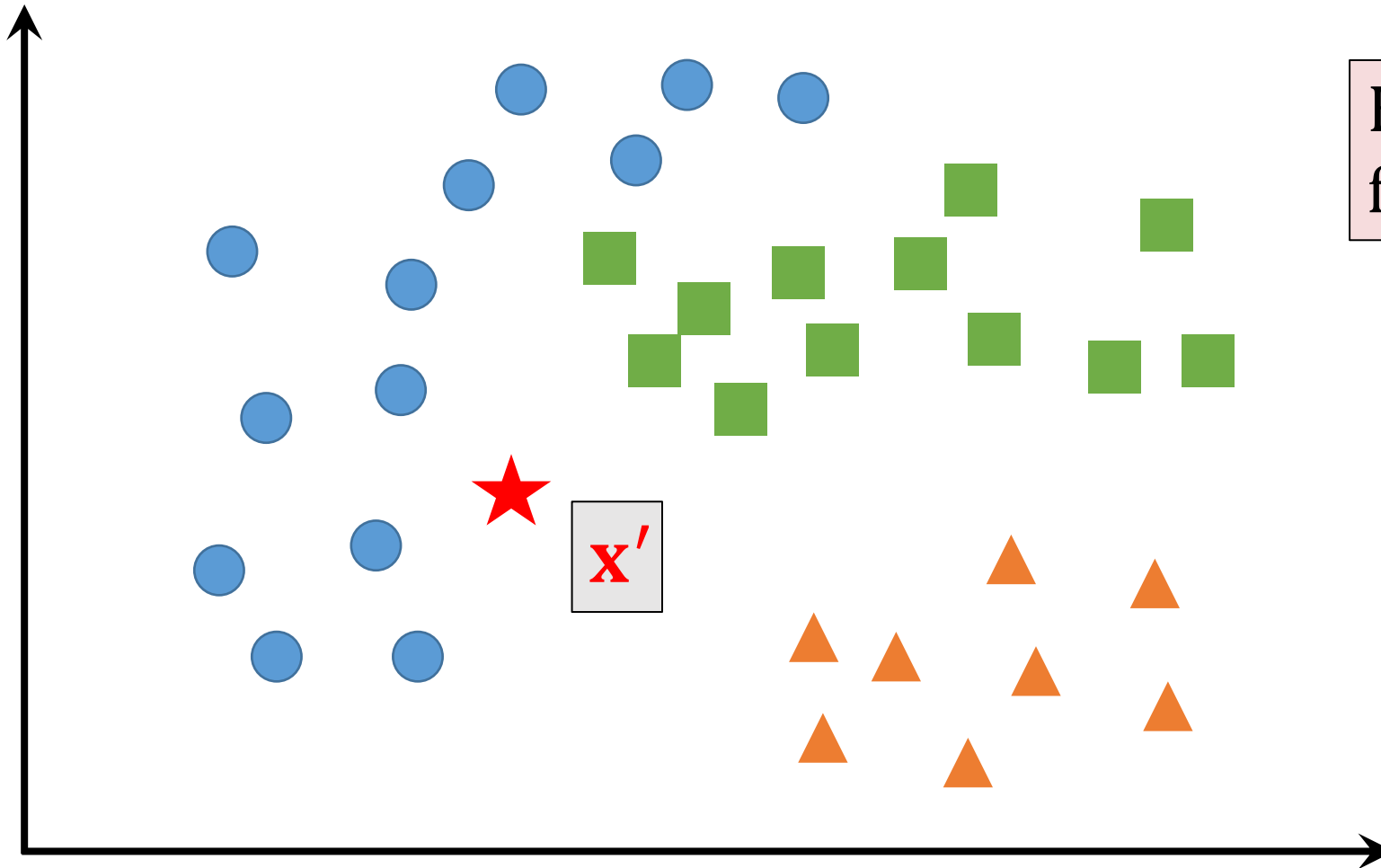
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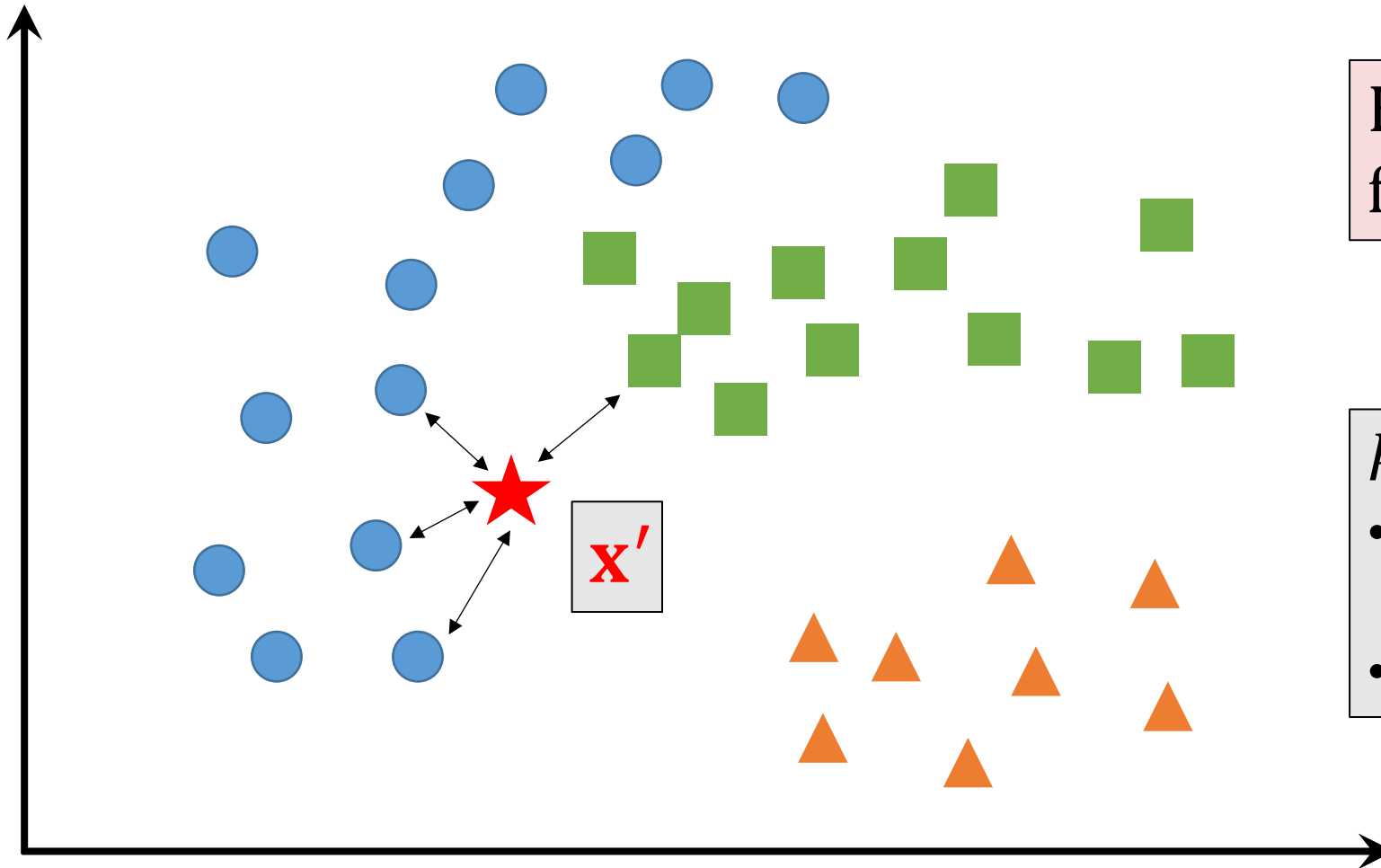
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- Efficient algorithms (to be discussed later).

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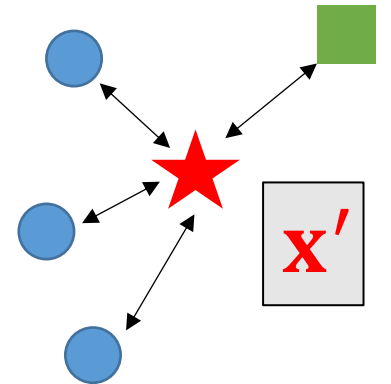
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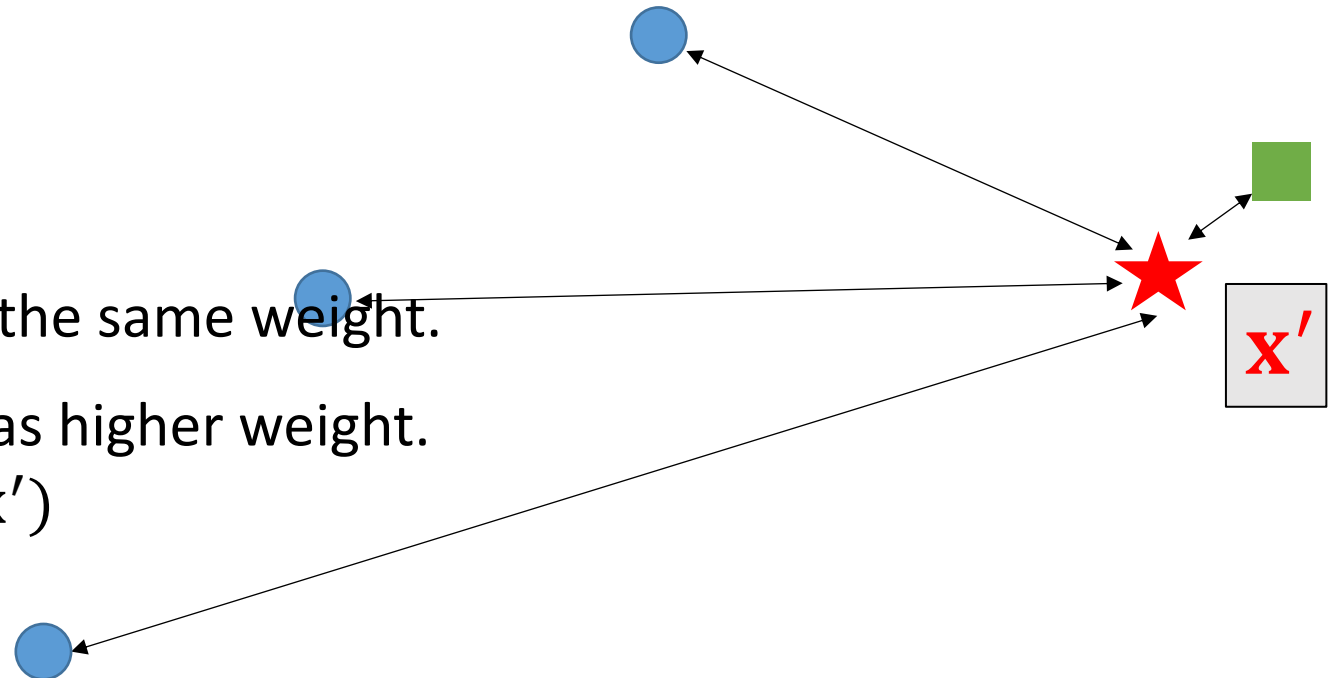
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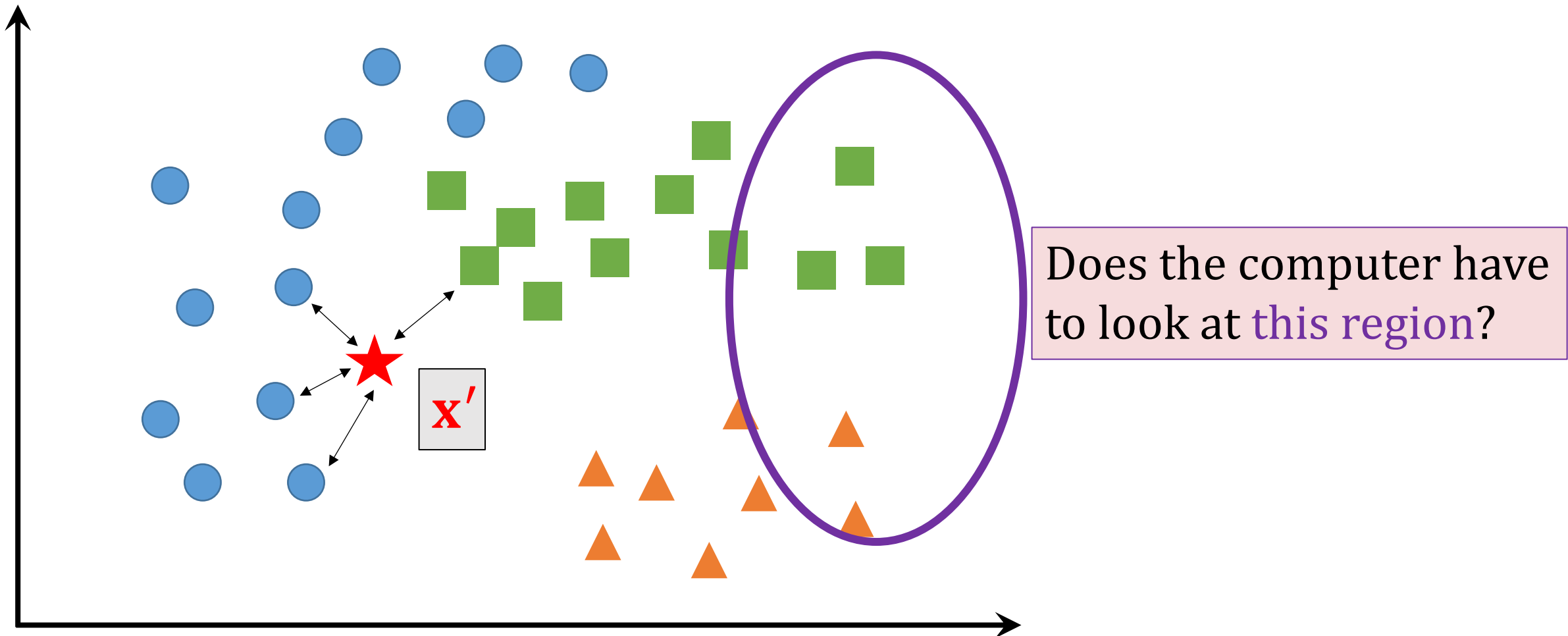
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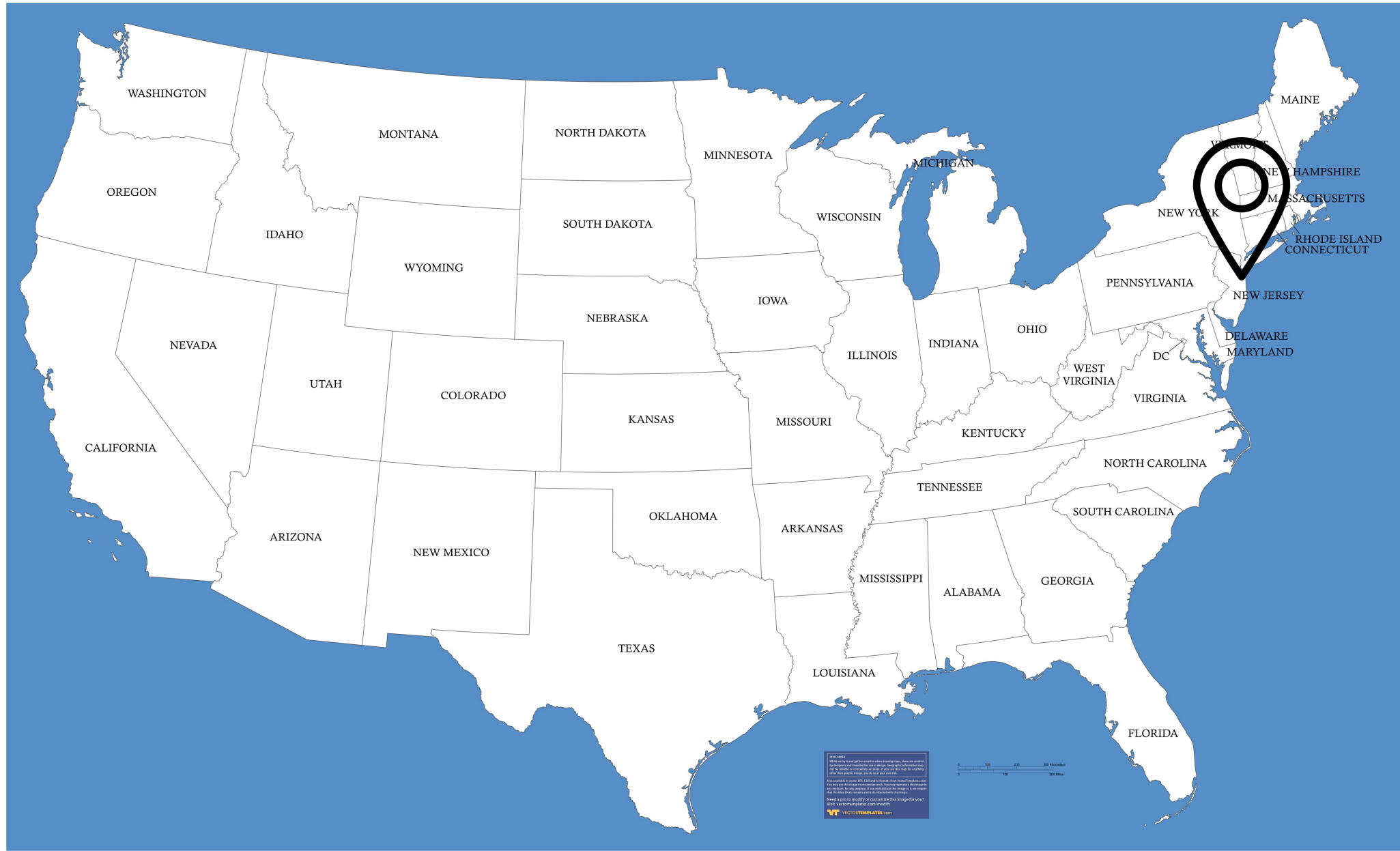
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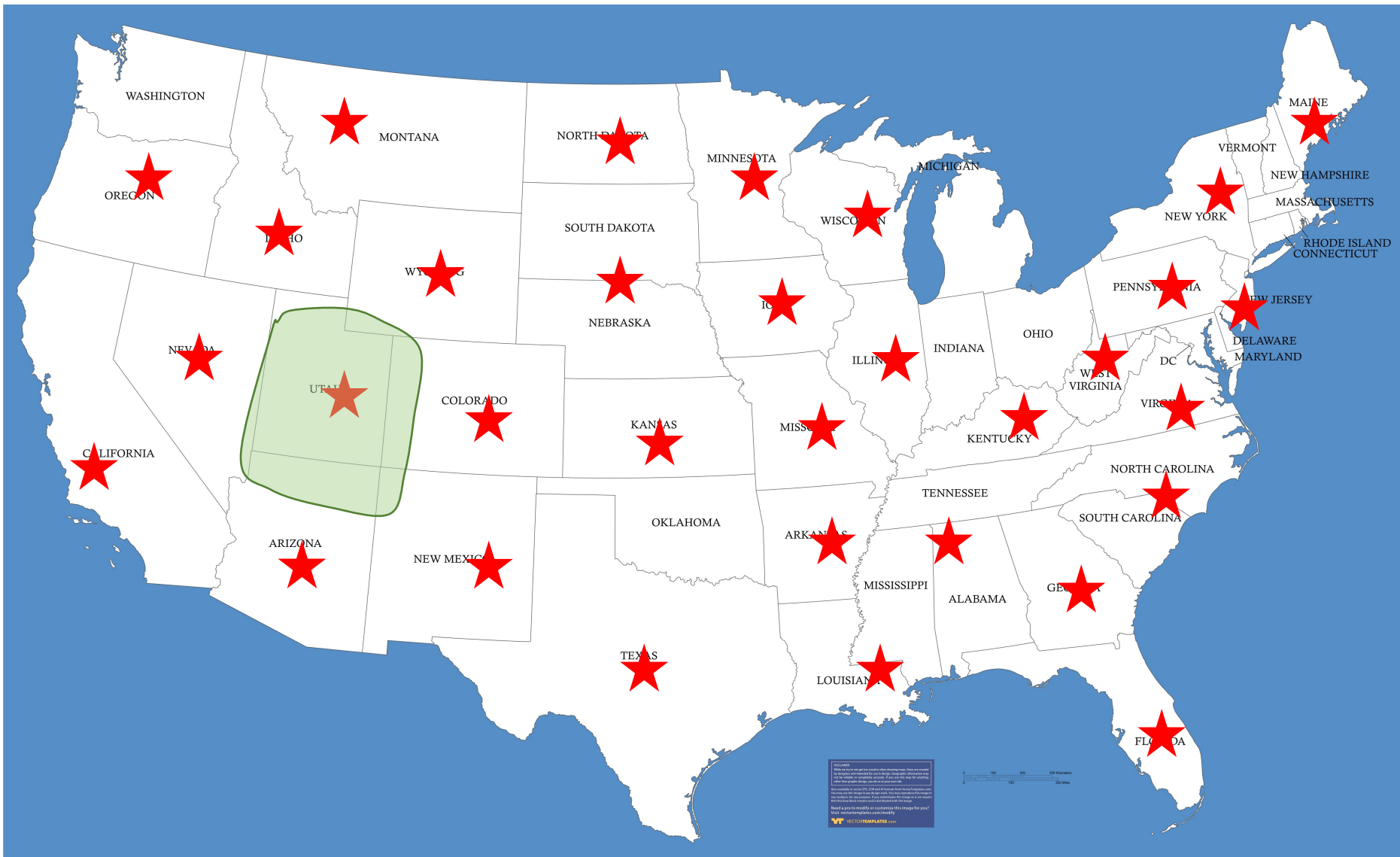
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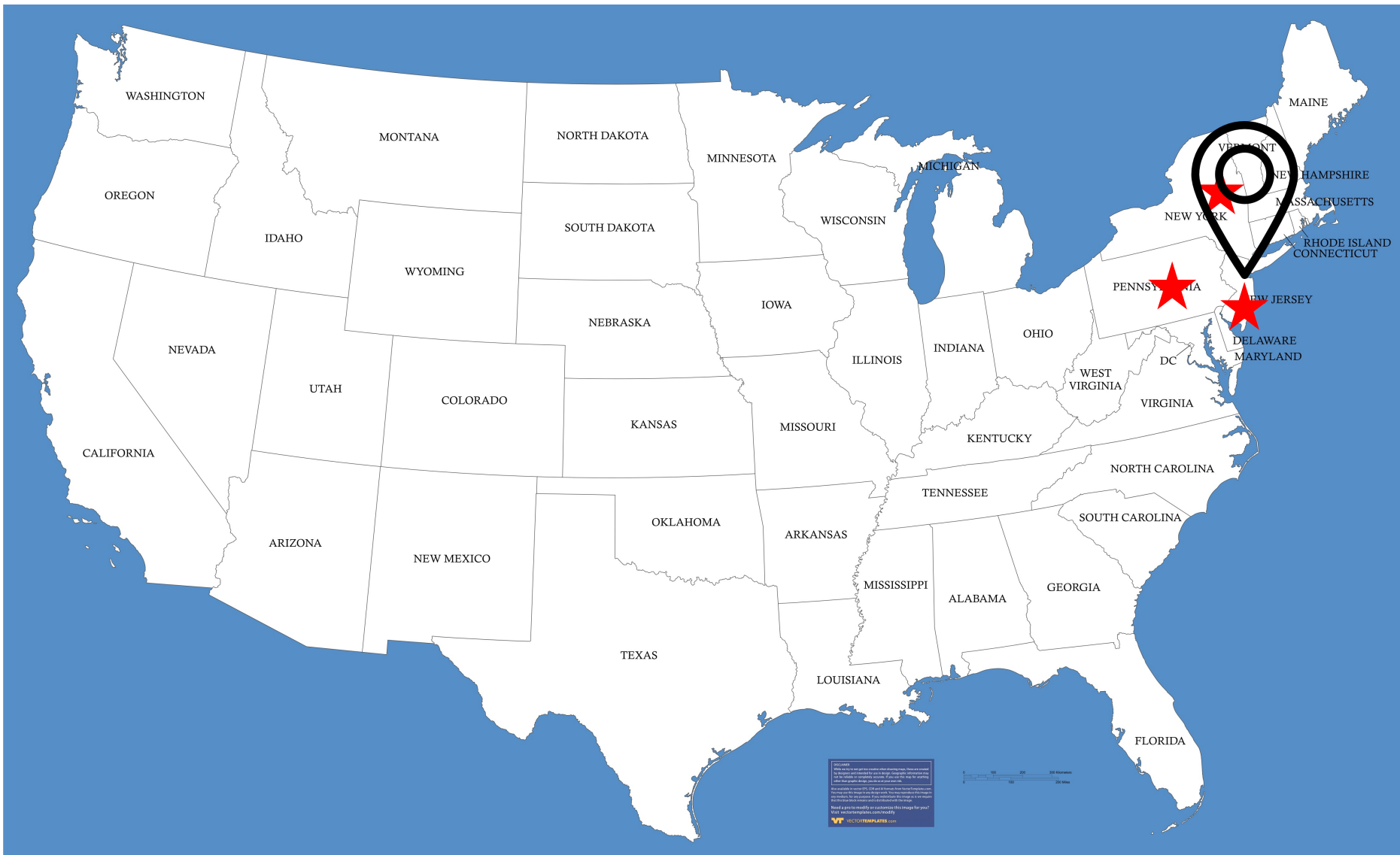
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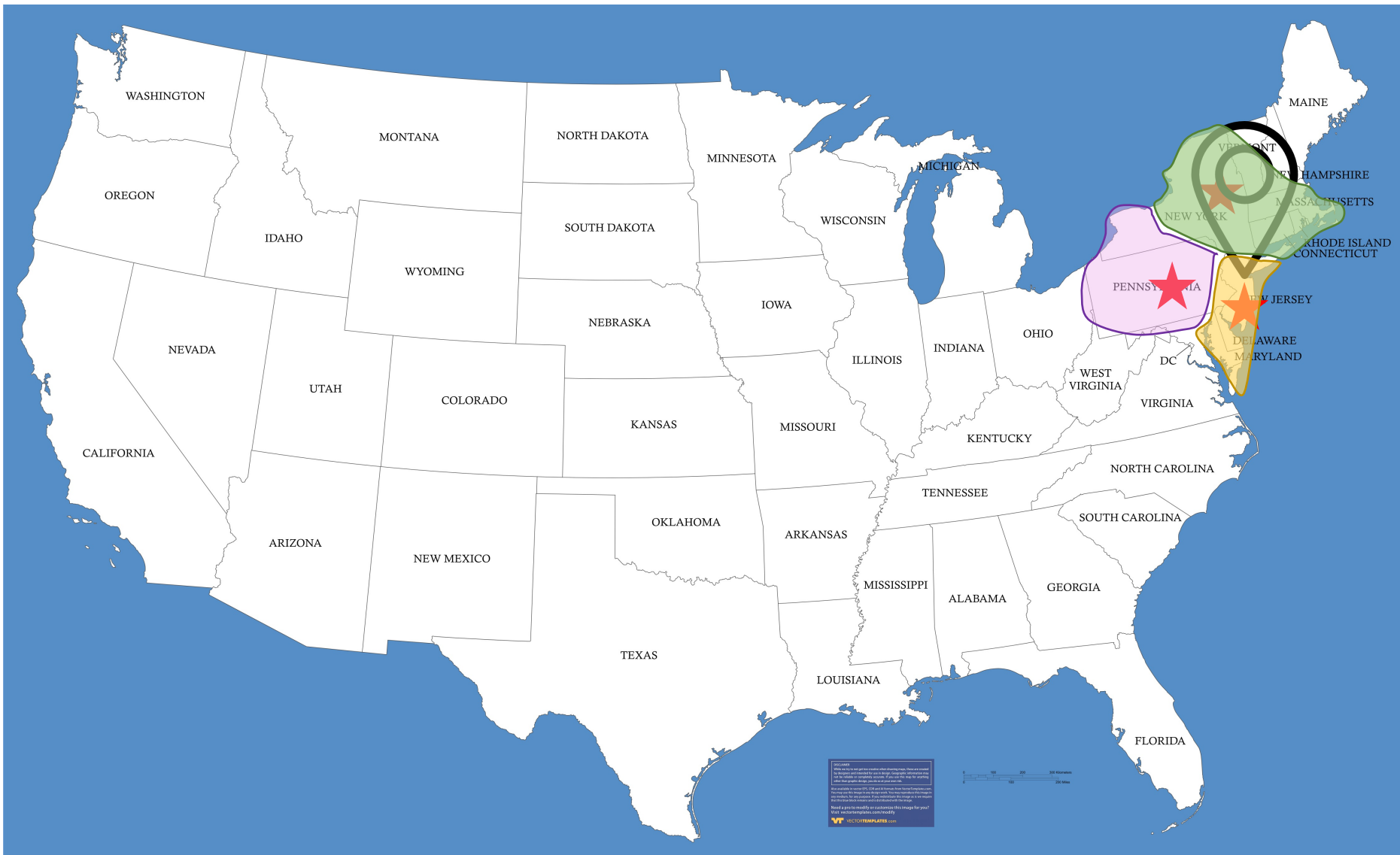
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KNN: Efficient Algorithms

- Fast algorithms
 - Vector Quantization
 - KD-tree
 - Locality sensitive hashing
- More resources:
 - [KNN Search \(Wikipedia\)](#)

Summary

- KNN method for multi-class classification.
- KNN's advantage over Softmax classifier:
 - When #class is huge, Softmax classifier is expensive.
 - E.g., in the face recognition problem, #class can be millions.

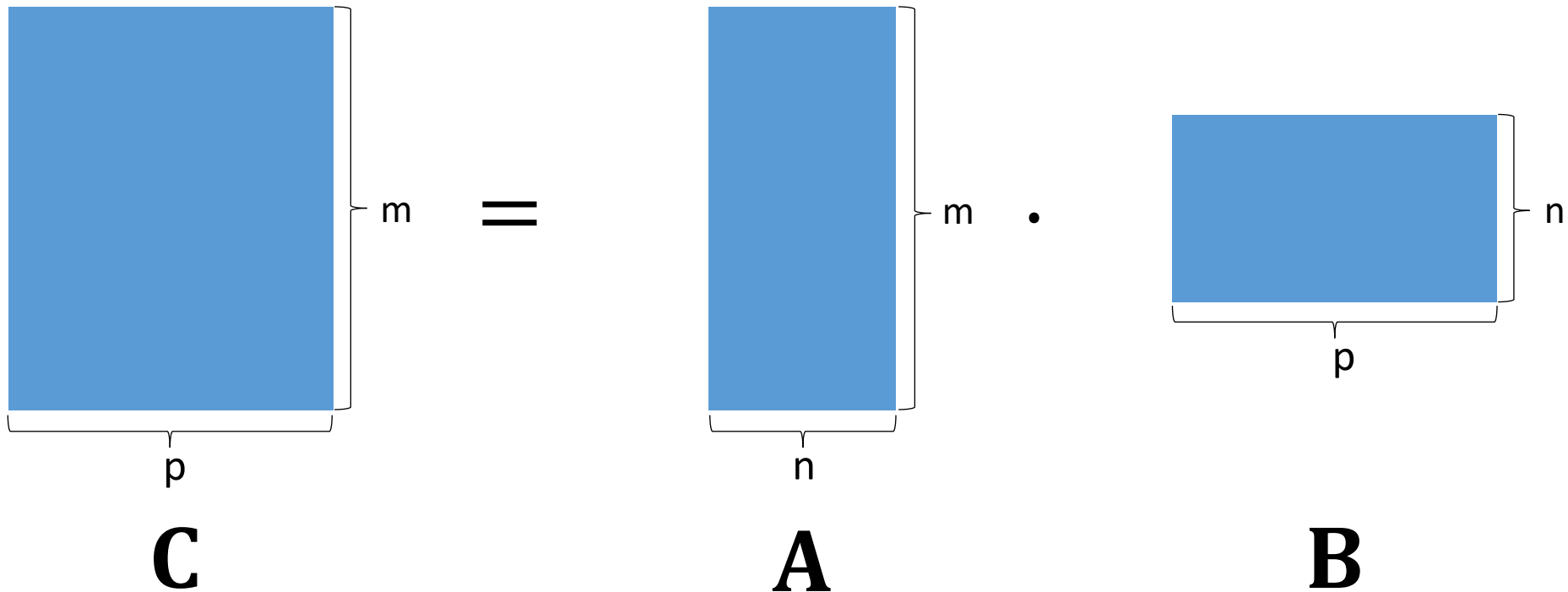
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- Training: partition the feature space to regions.
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 1. Find the nearest regions.
 2. Retrieve all the training feature vectors in the regions.
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 4. Weighted/unweighted votes by the k nearest neighbors.

A few words about matrix multiplication

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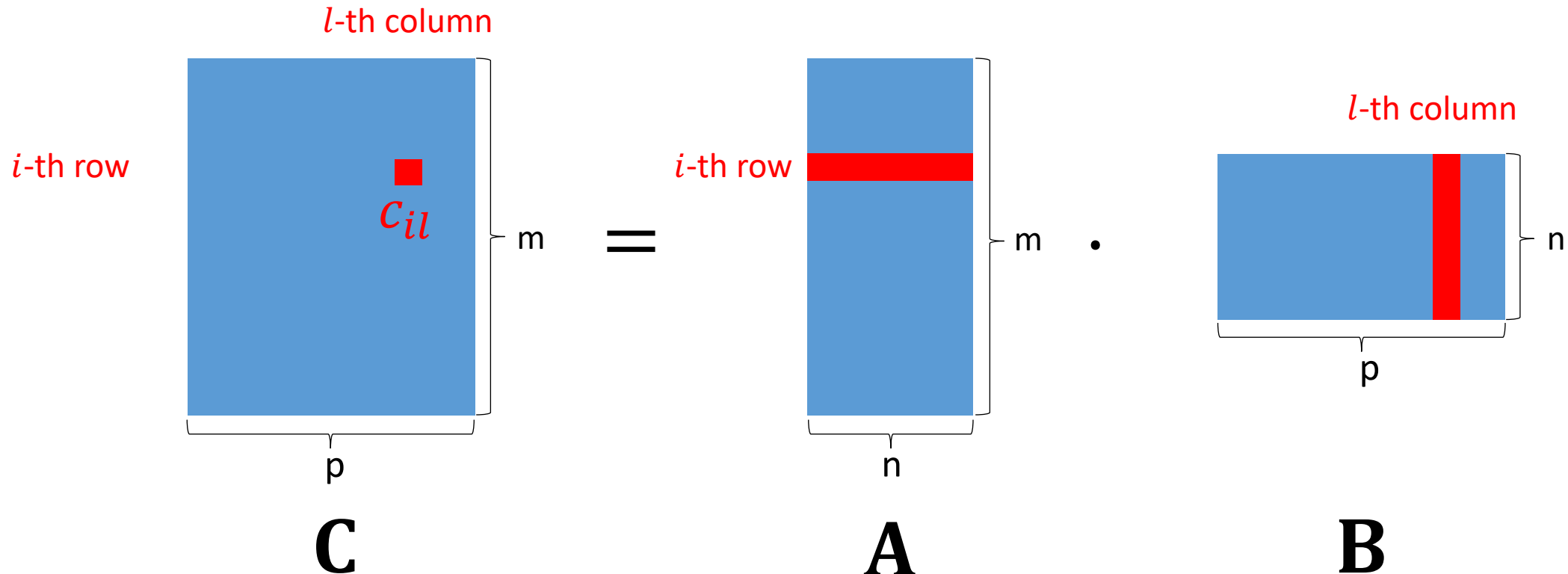
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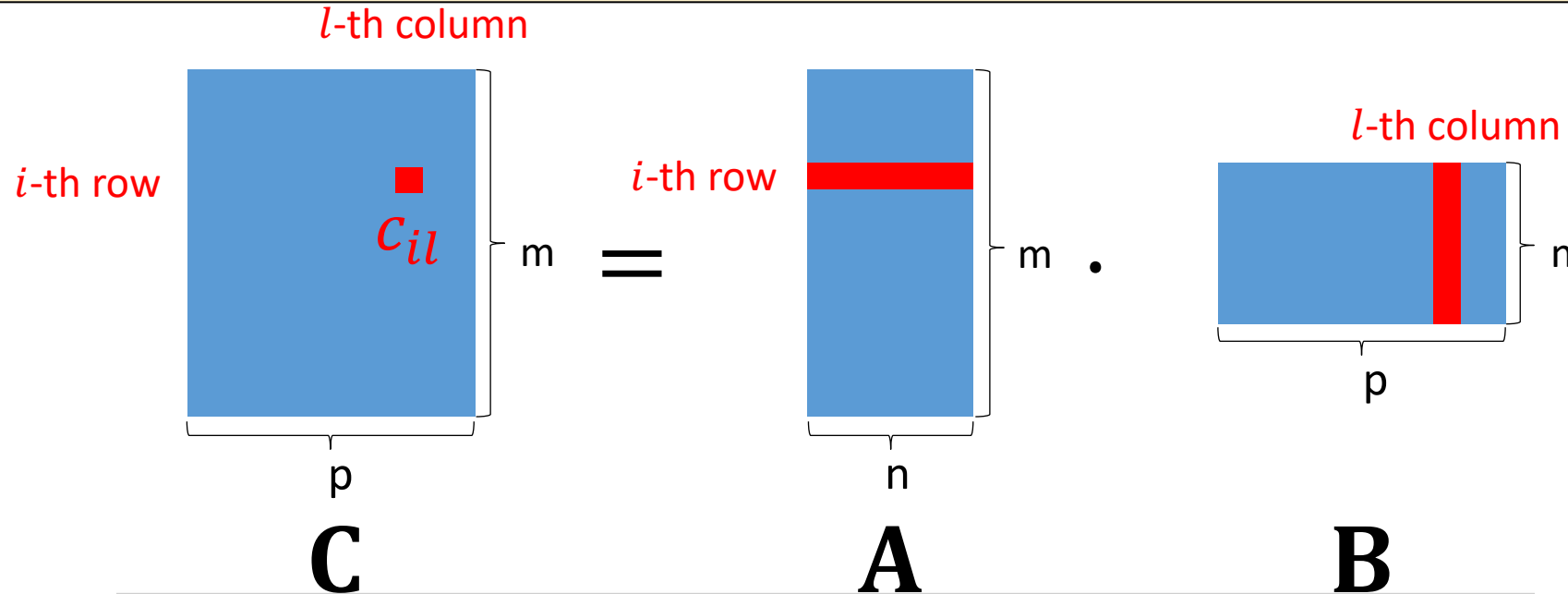
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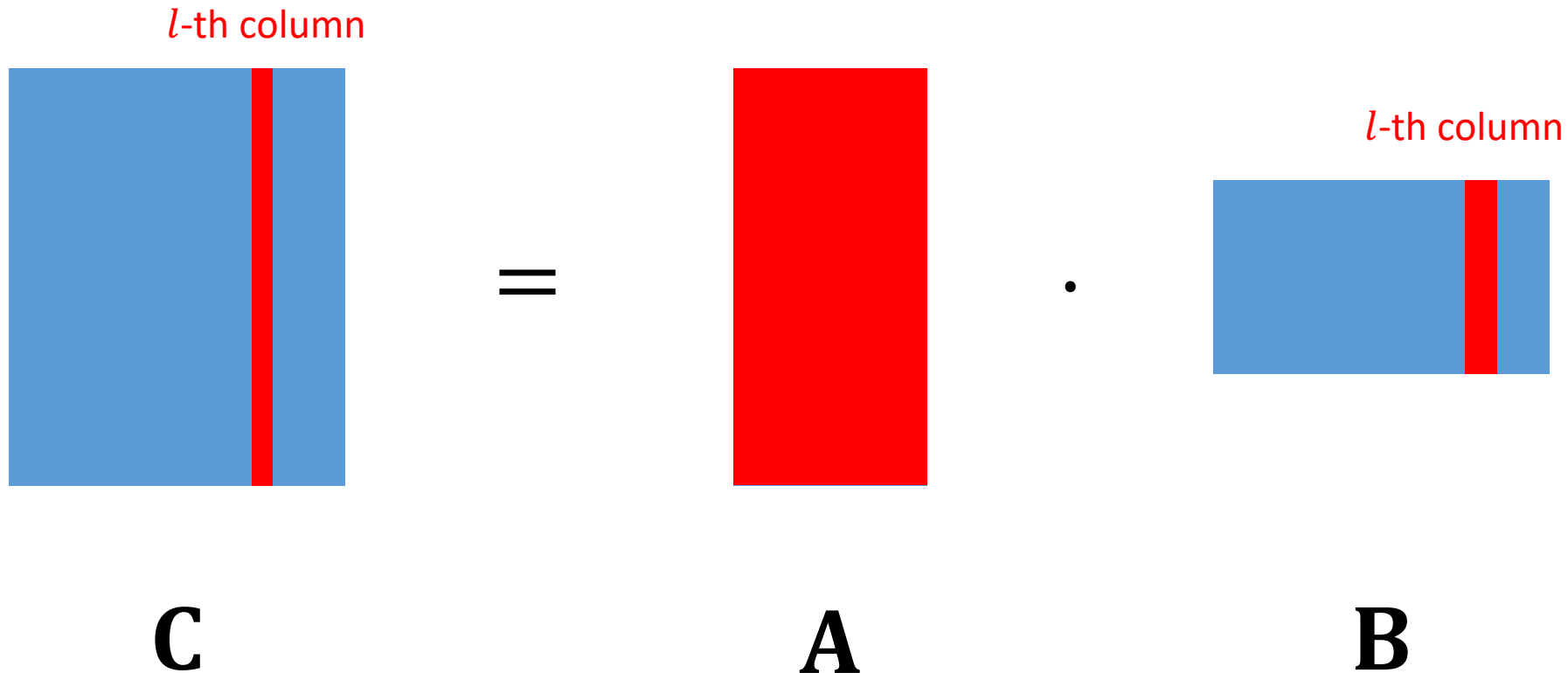
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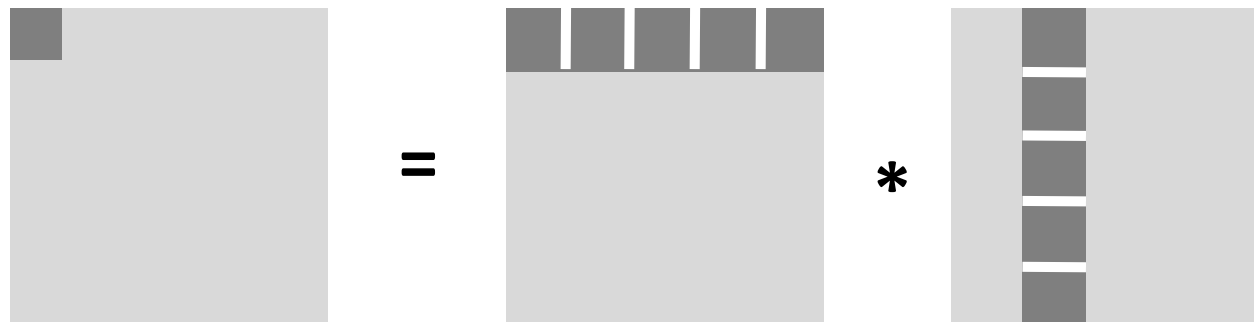
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- **Level 2 BLAS** perform matrix-vector operations.
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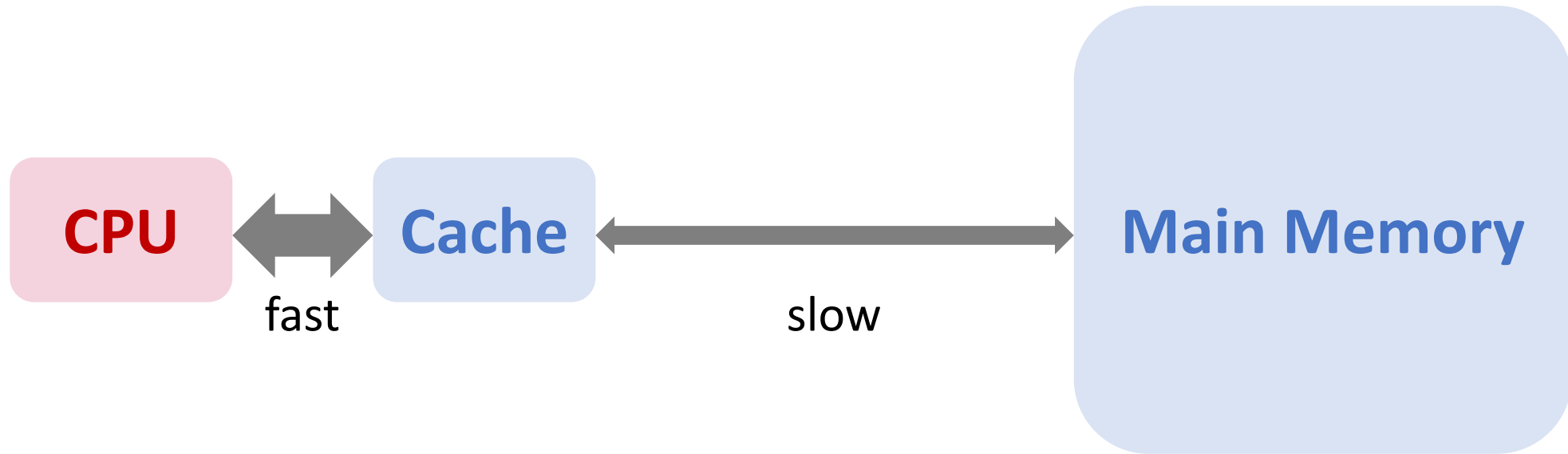
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- Numpy uses BLAS and LAPACK for matrix computation.
- Deep learning platforms (e.g., Pytorch, Tensorflow) are built upon BLAS.

Thank you