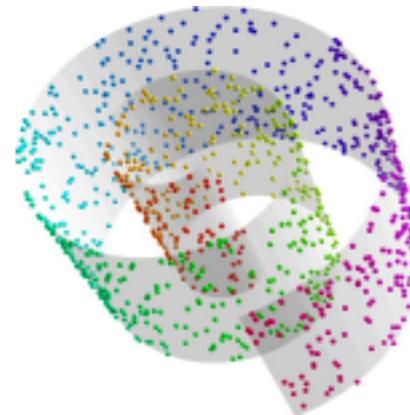


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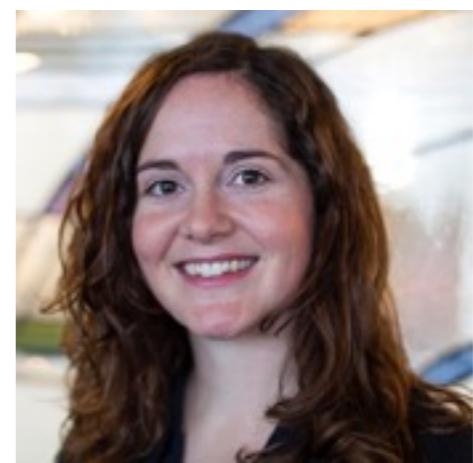
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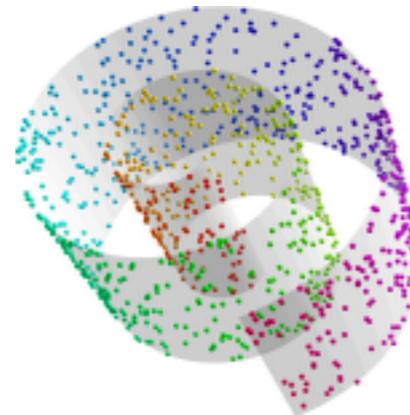


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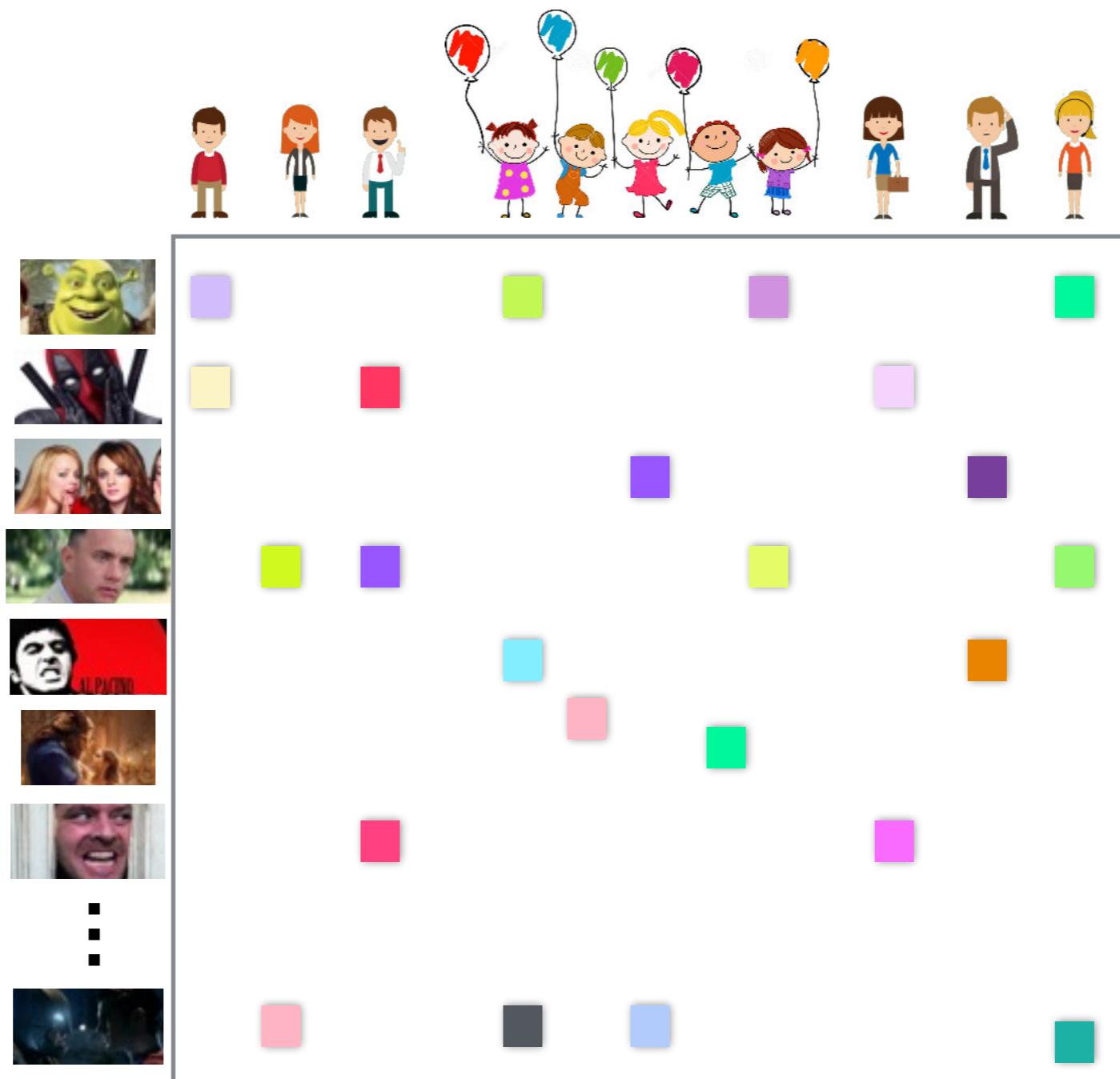


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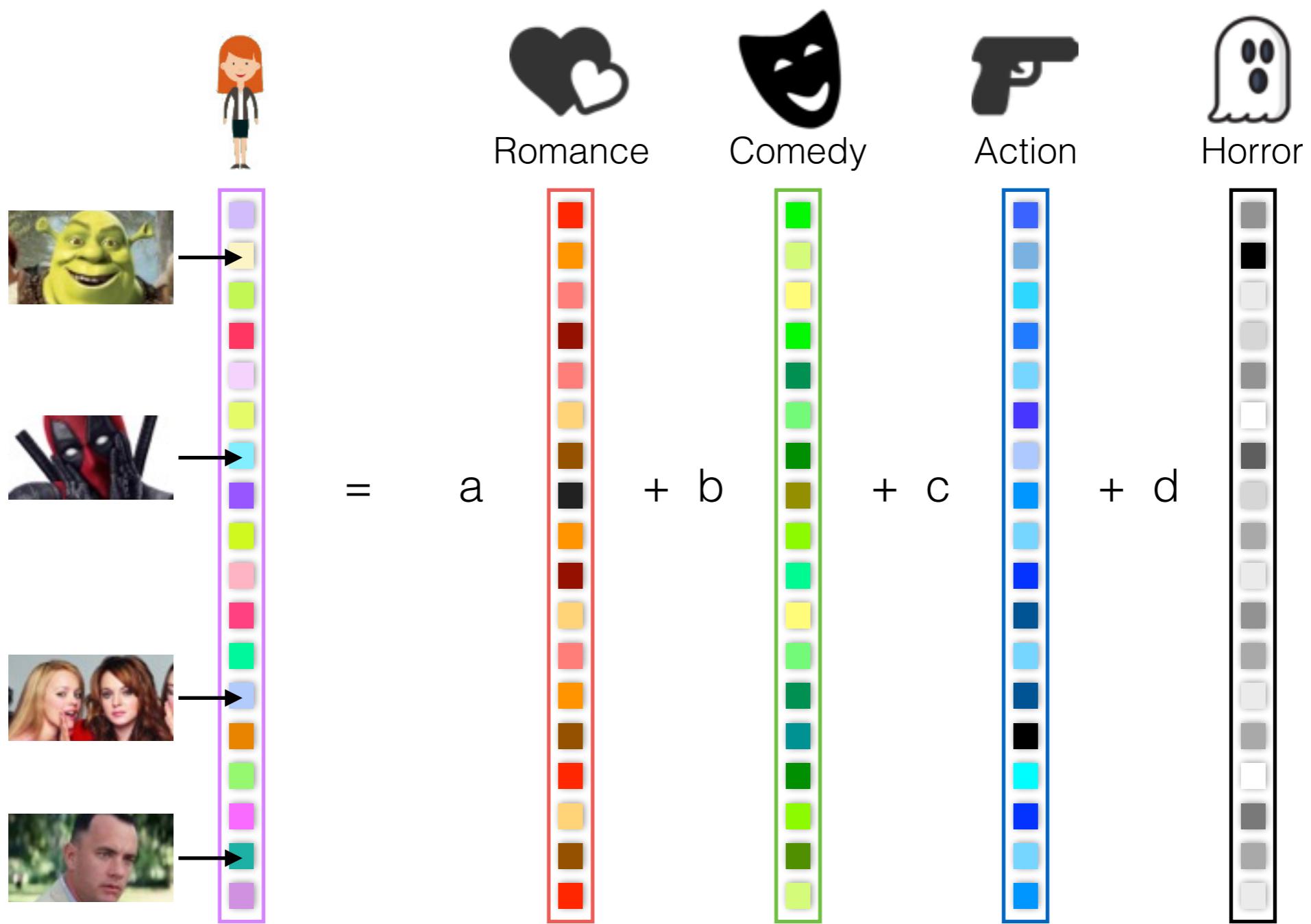


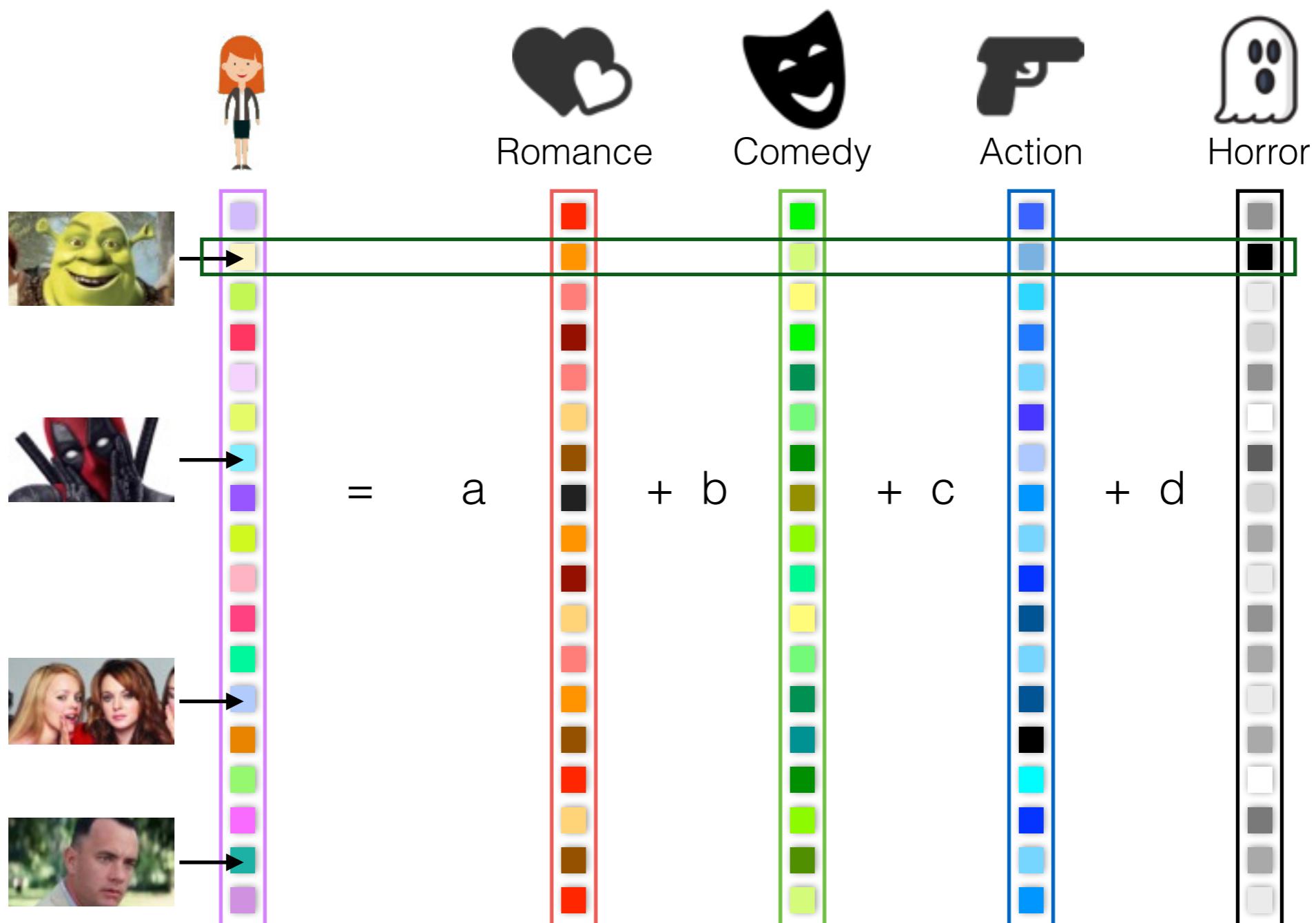
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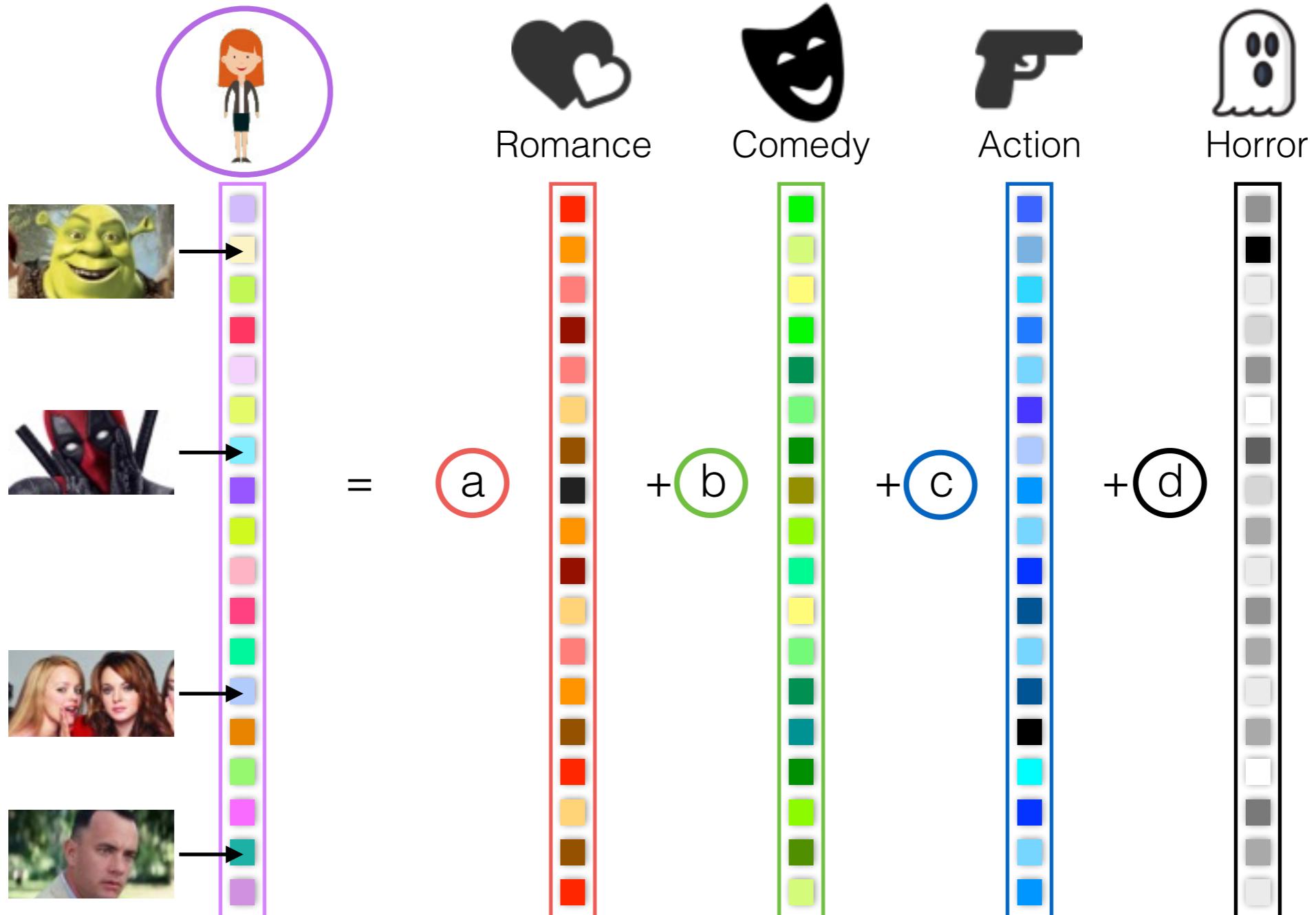


Textbook Example

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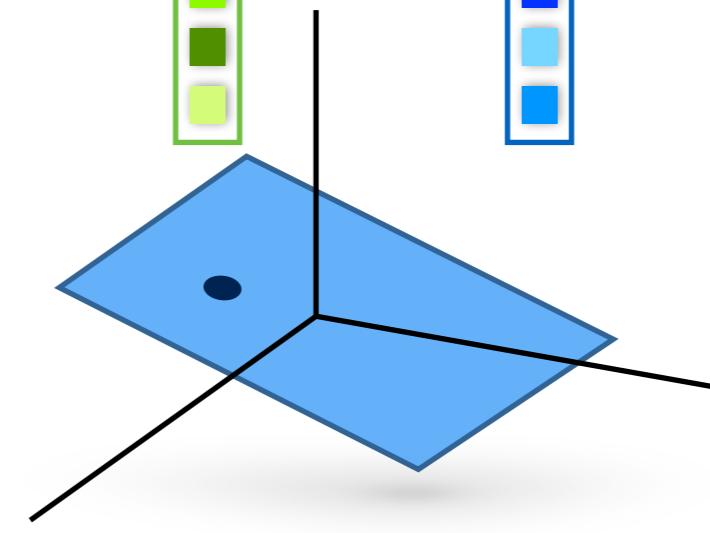


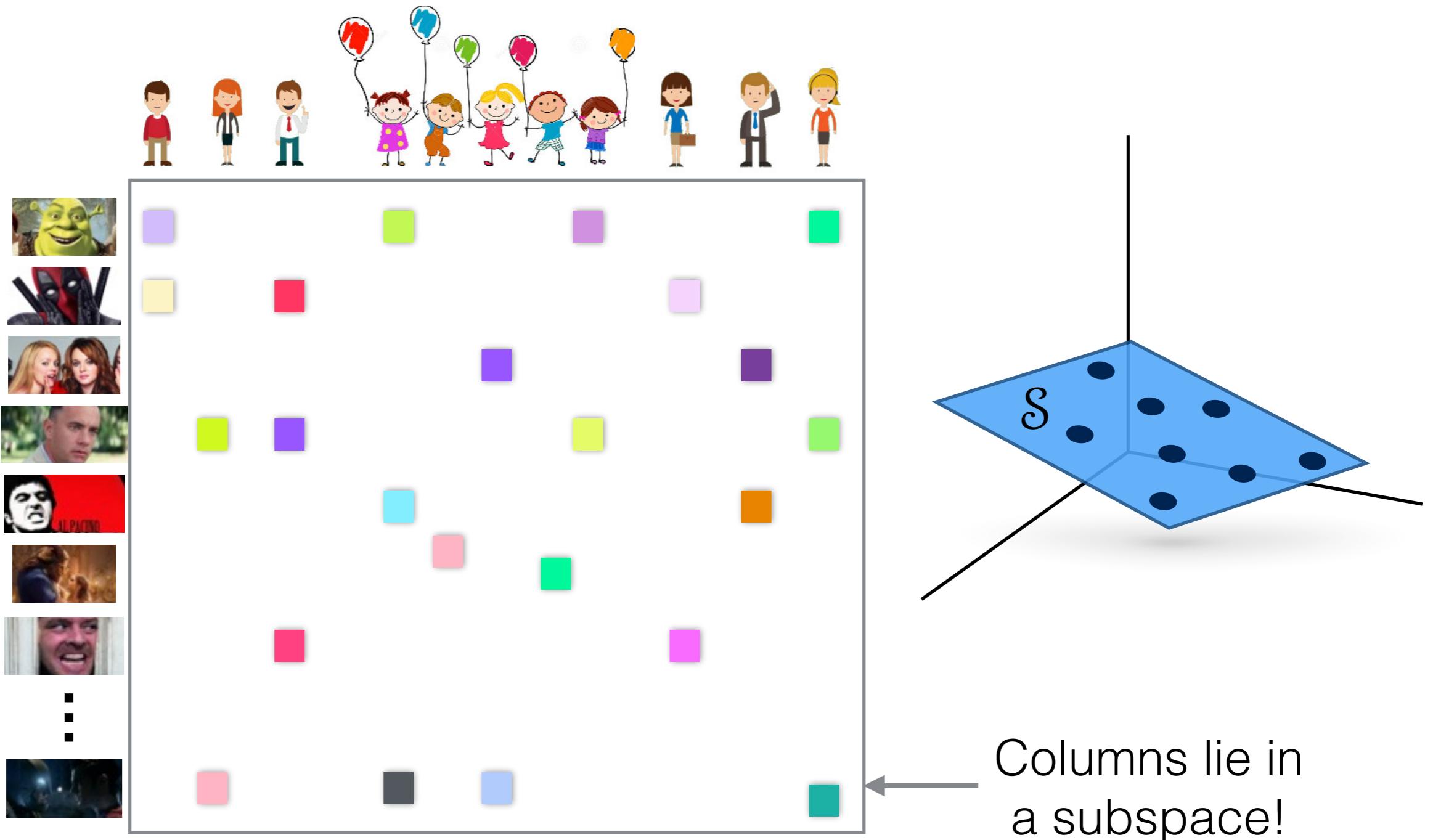




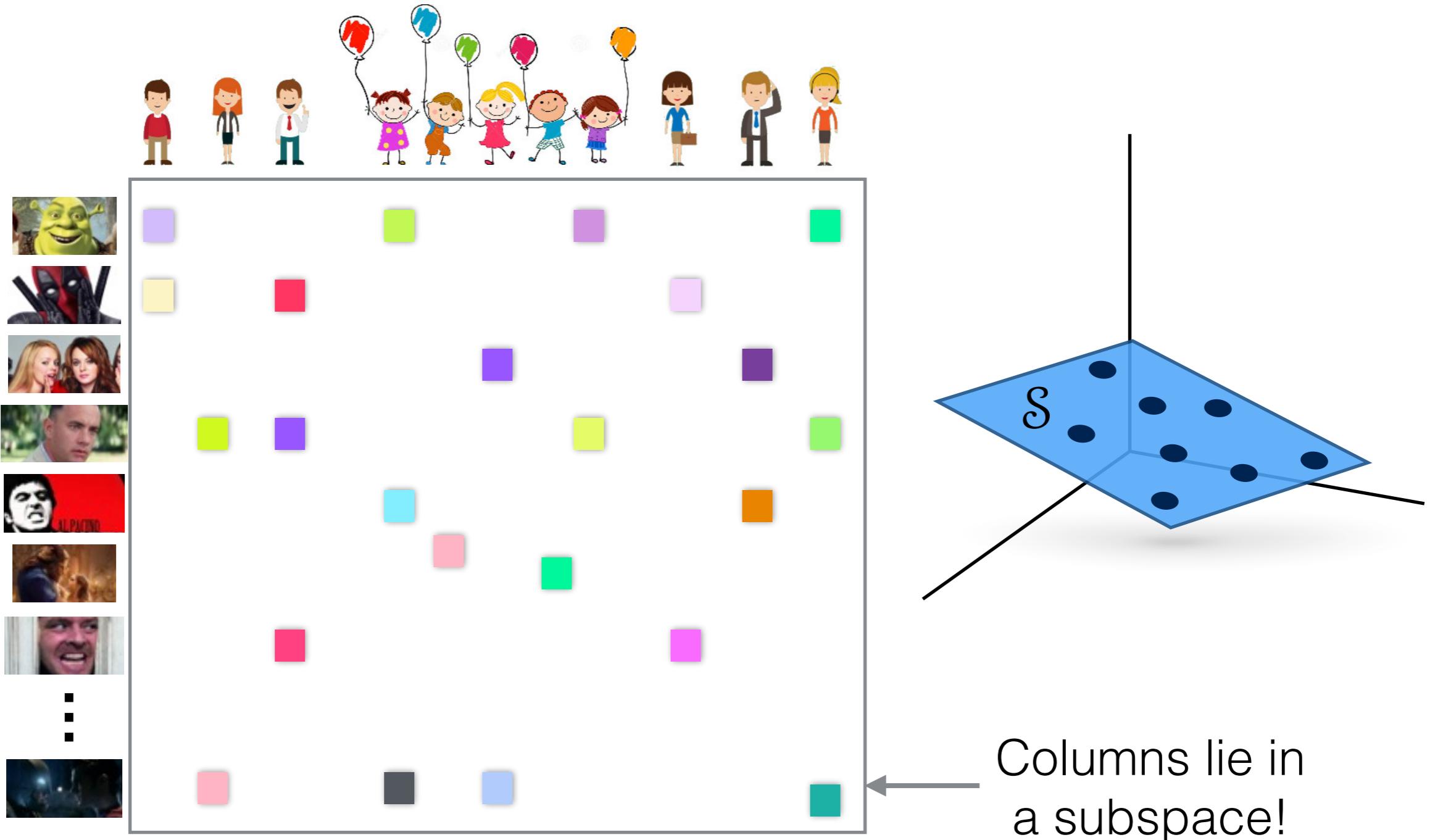


Column lies in
a subspace!



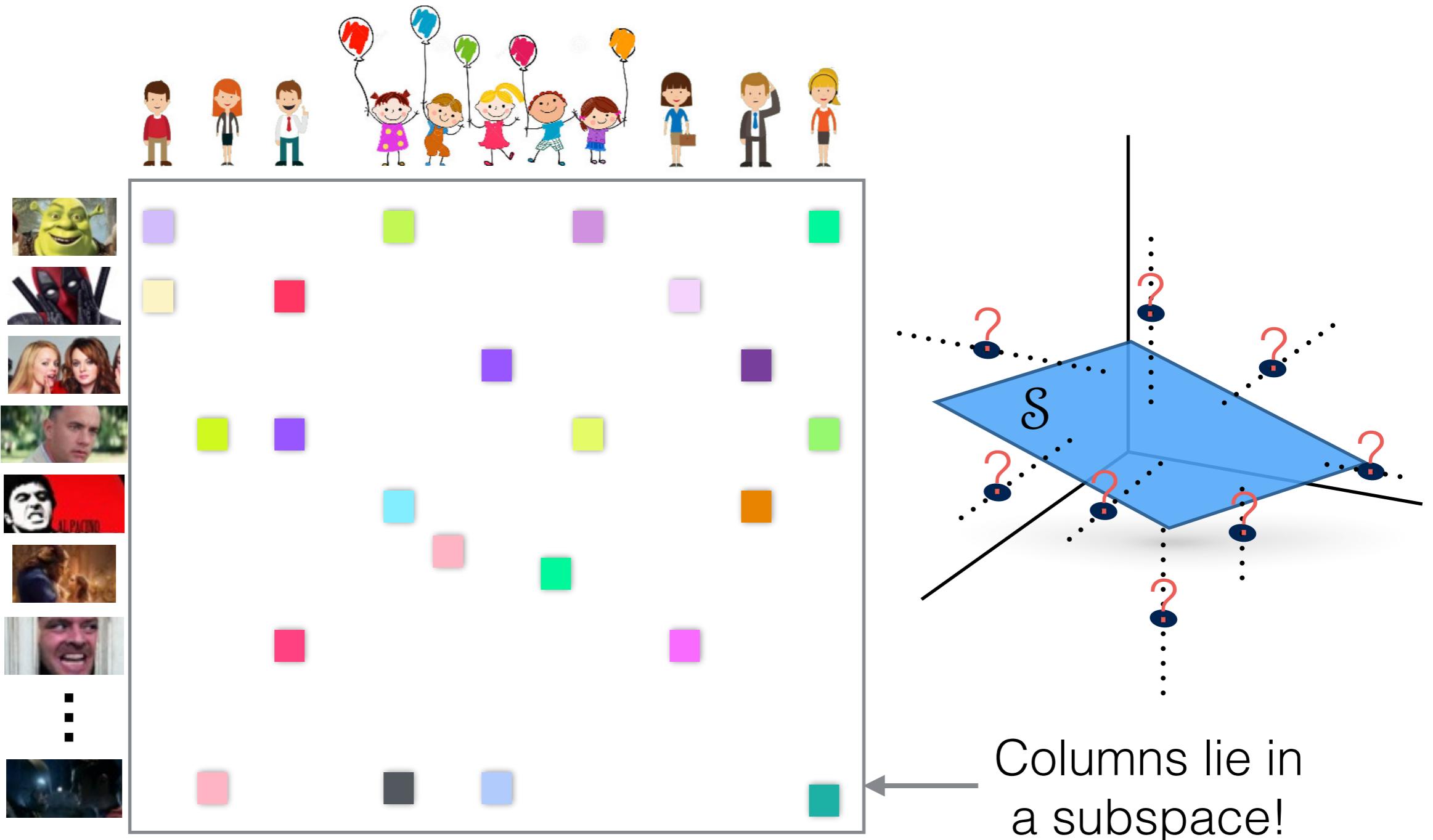


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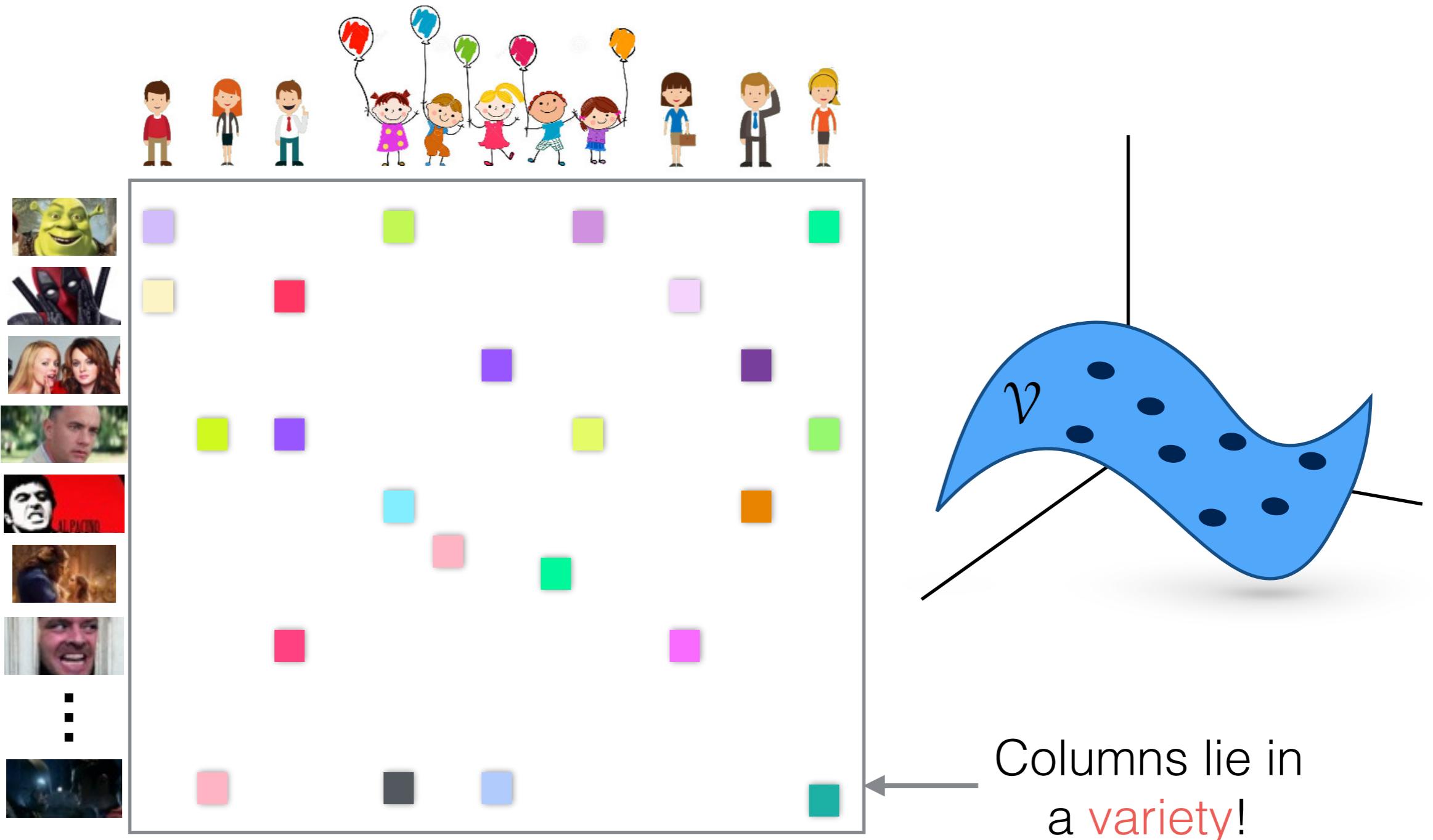
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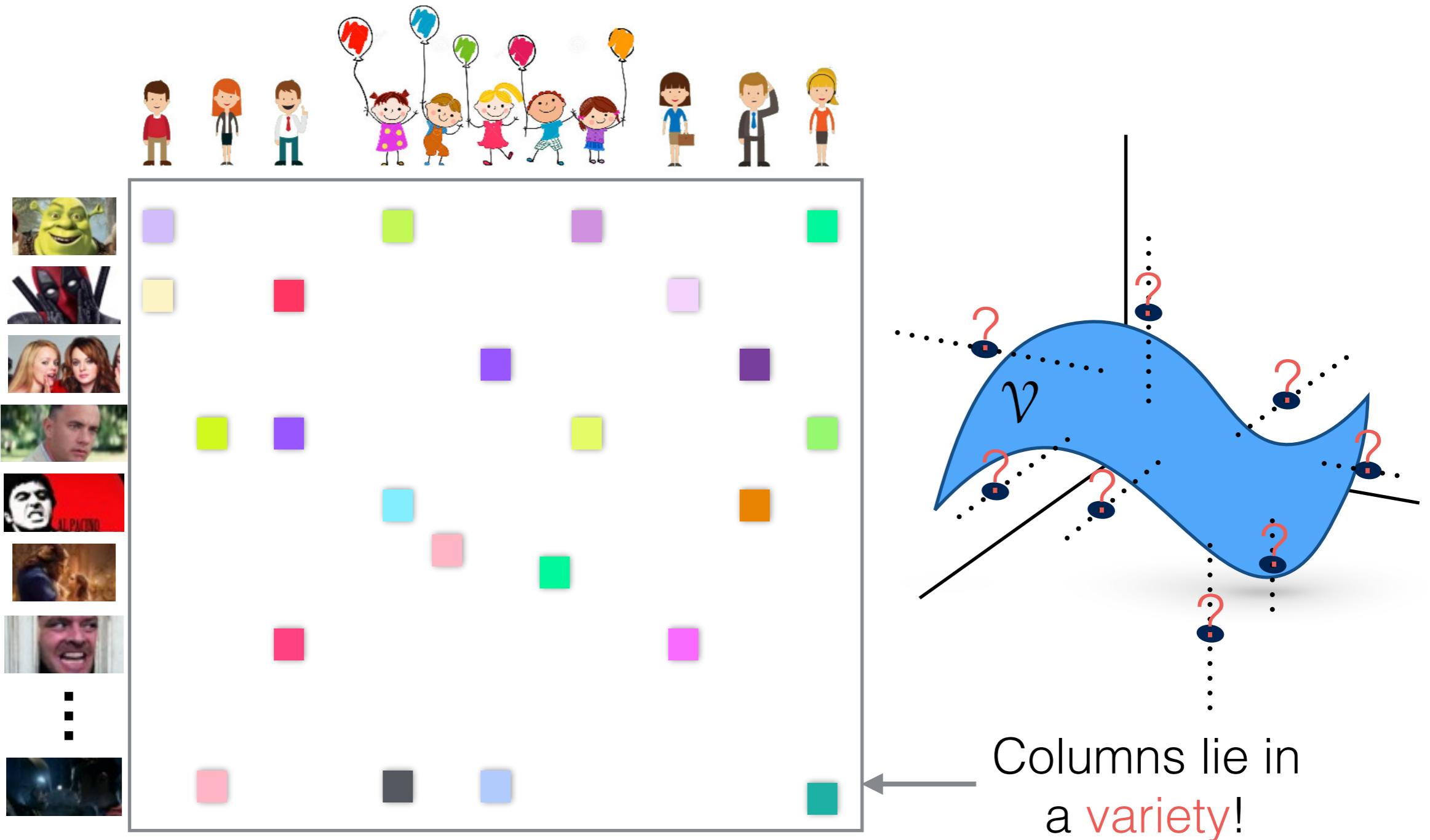
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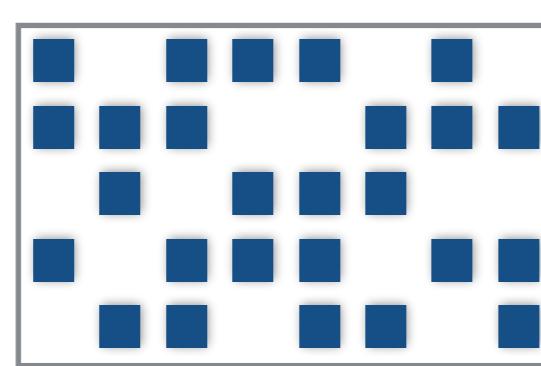
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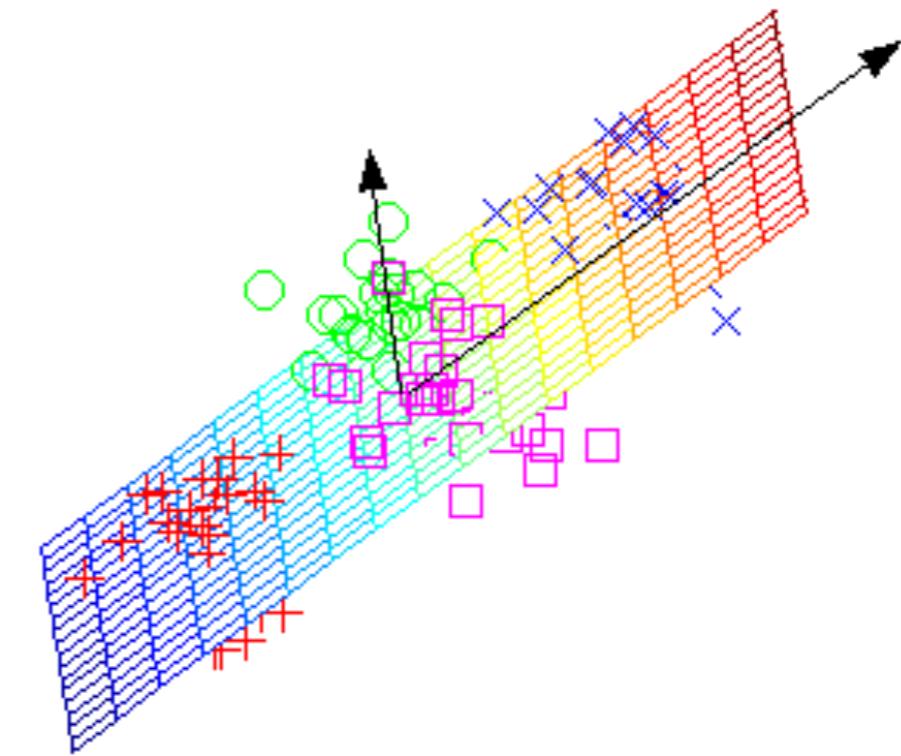
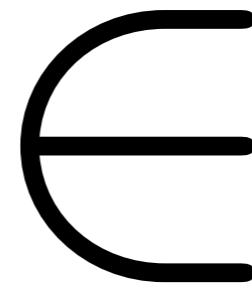


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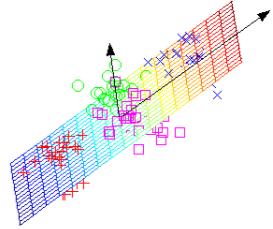
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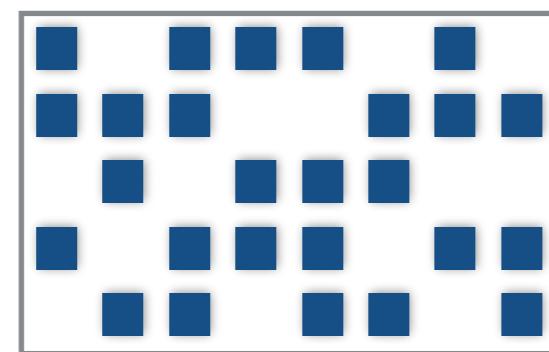
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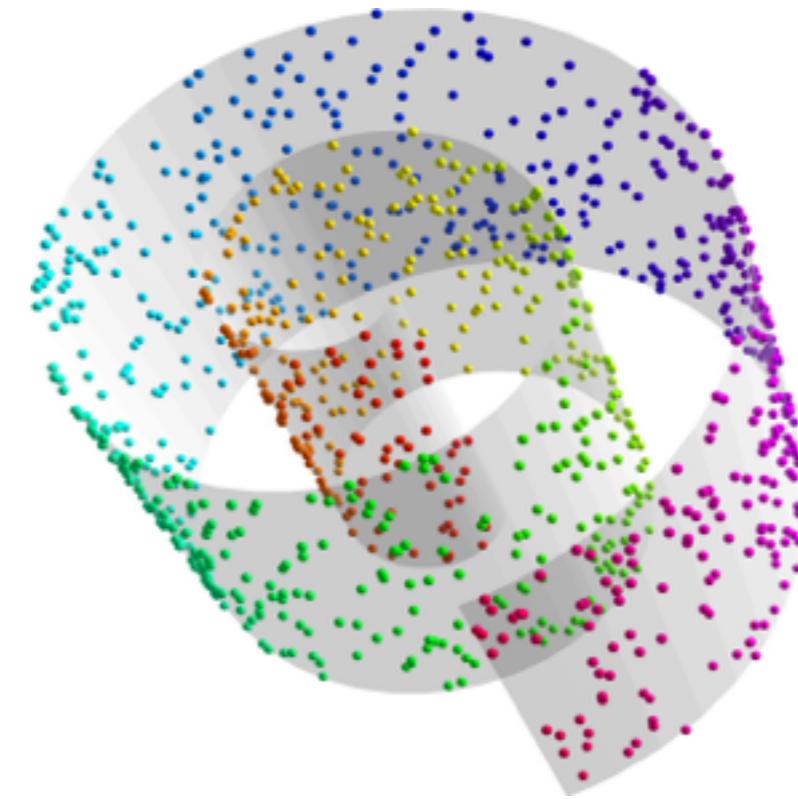
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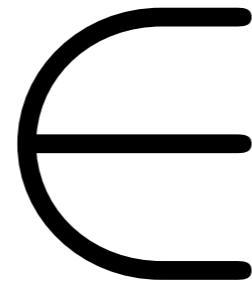
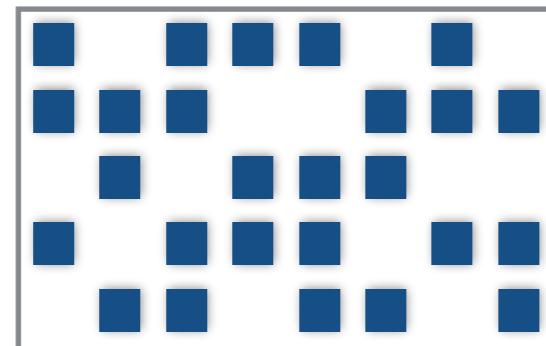


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Algebraic Variety!

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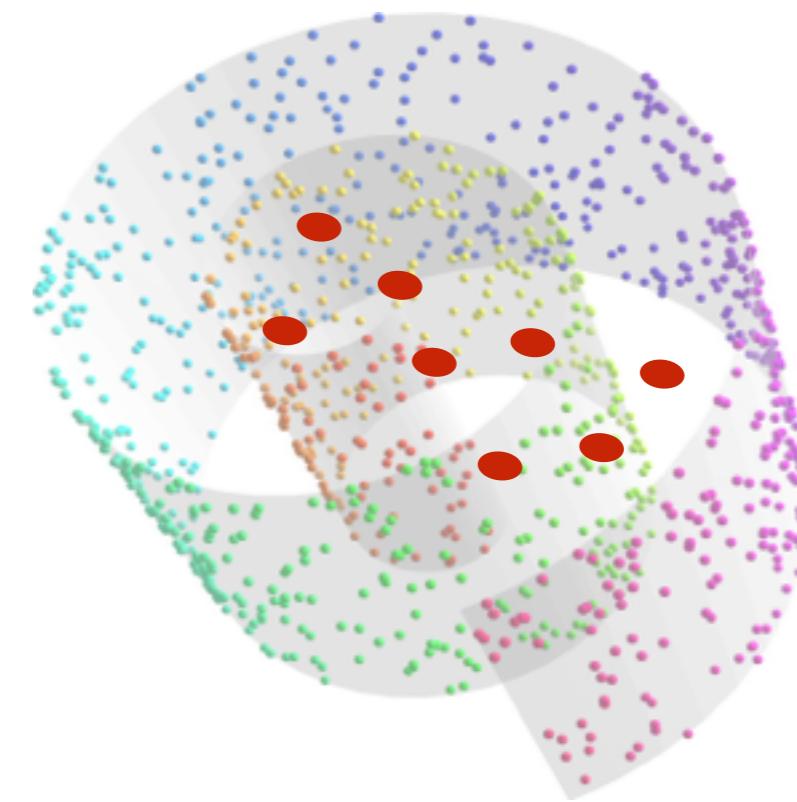
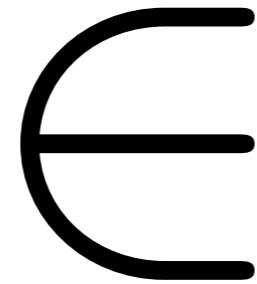
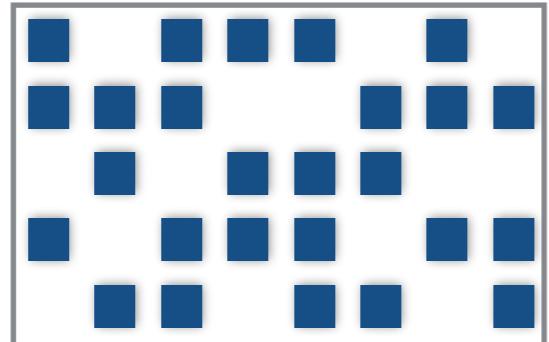
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Is it possible?
When?
How?

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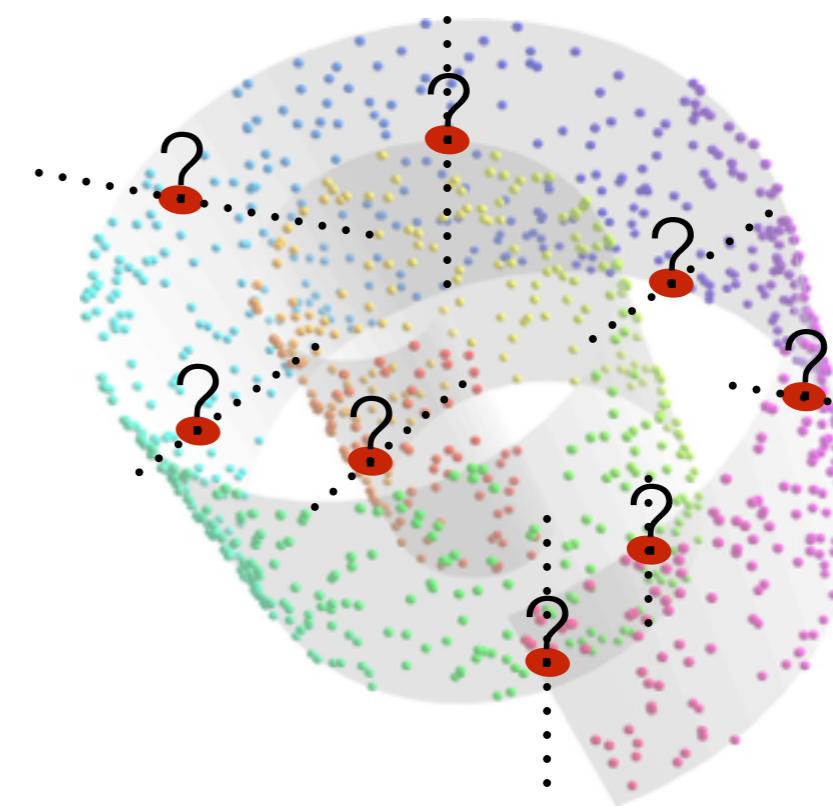
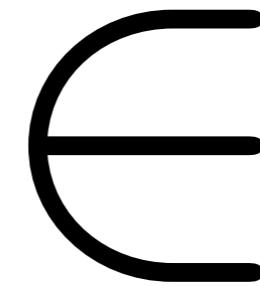
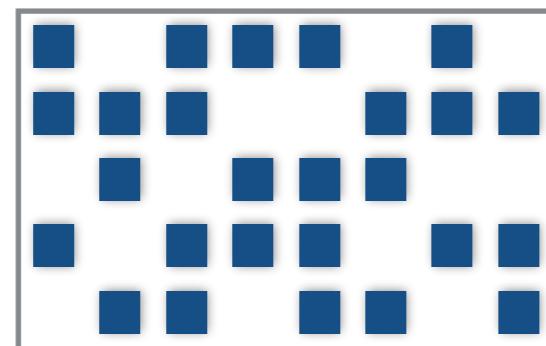


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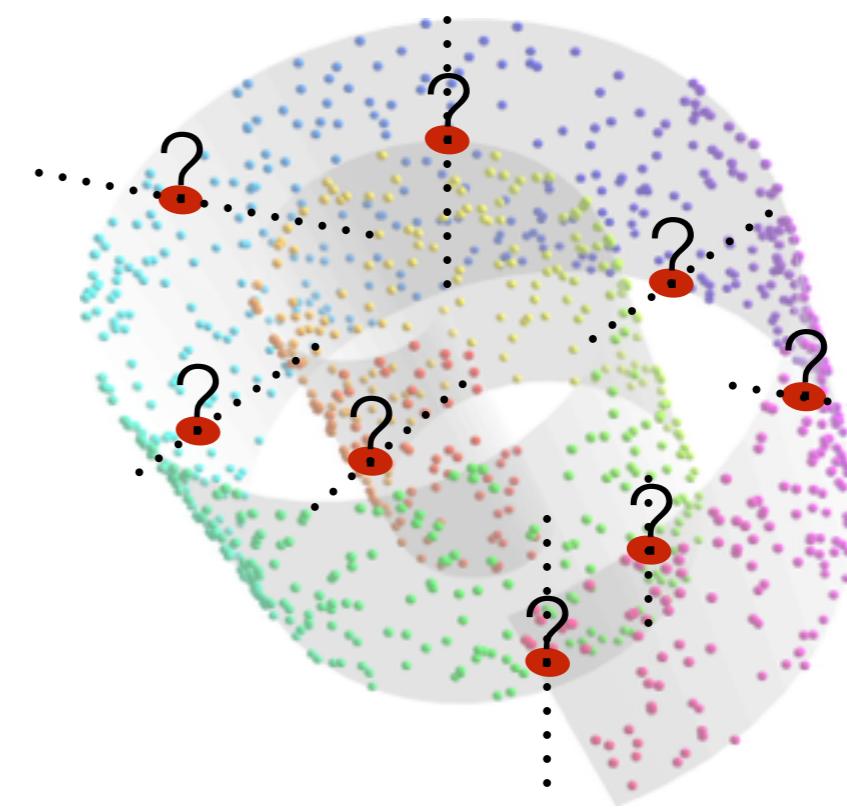
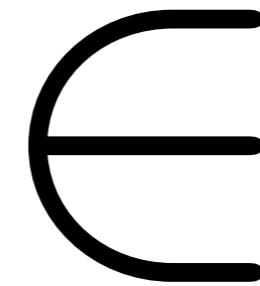
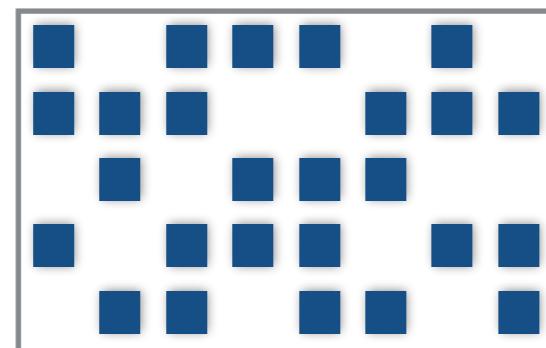
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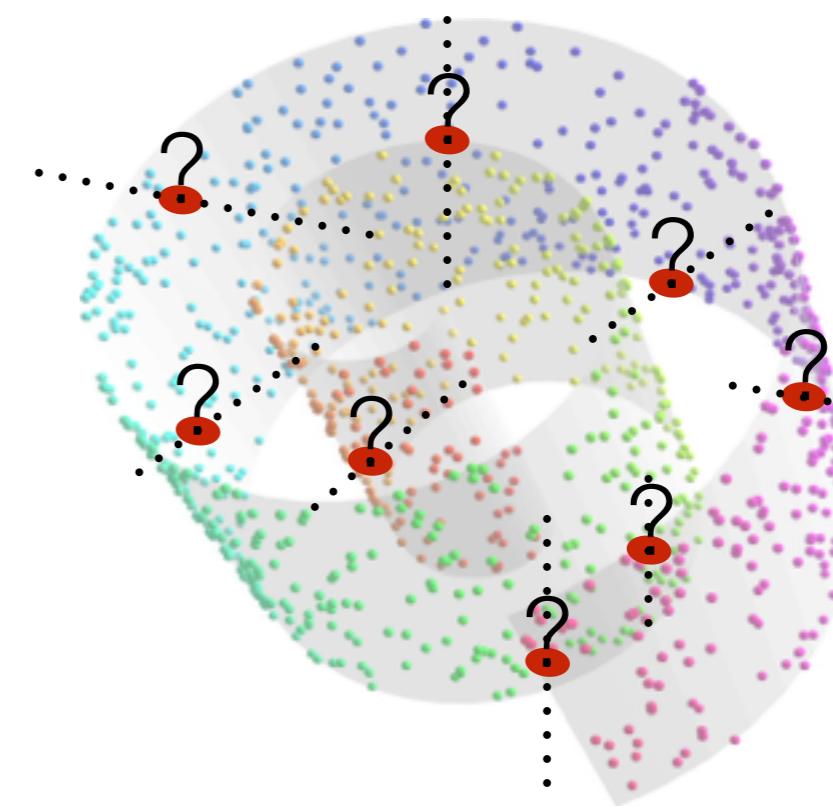
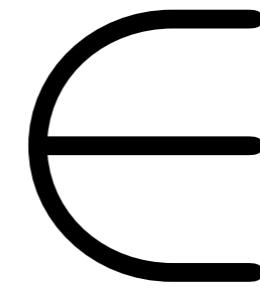
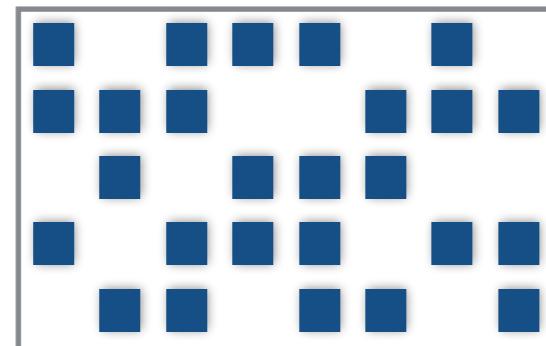


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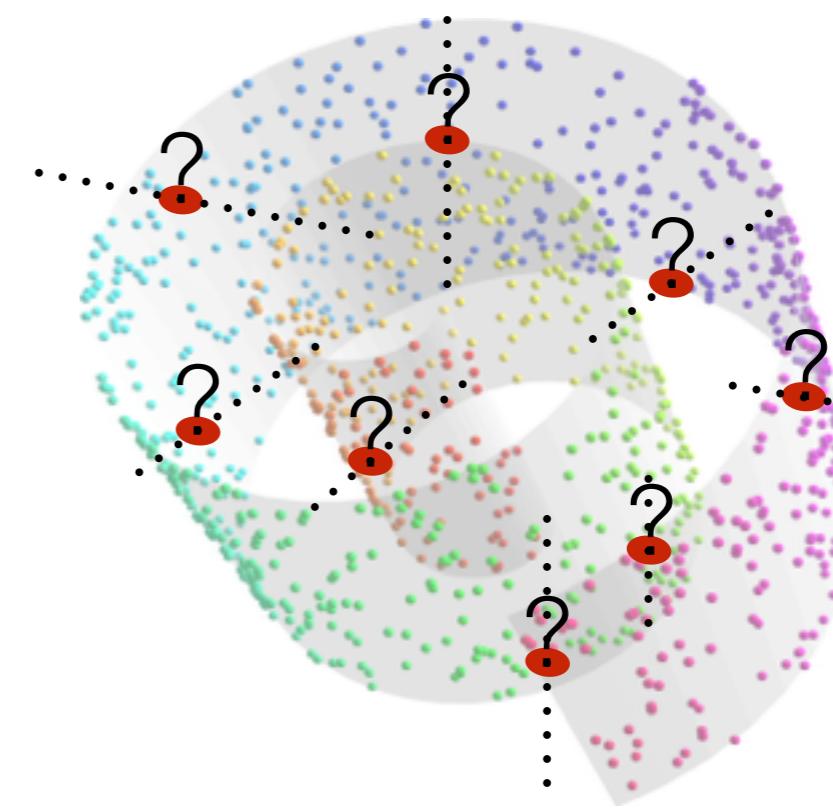
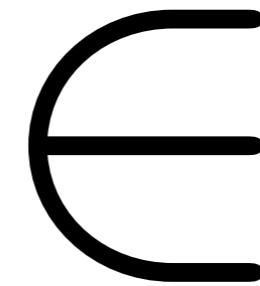
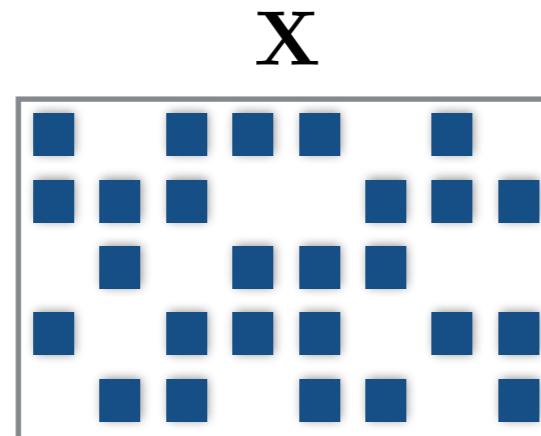
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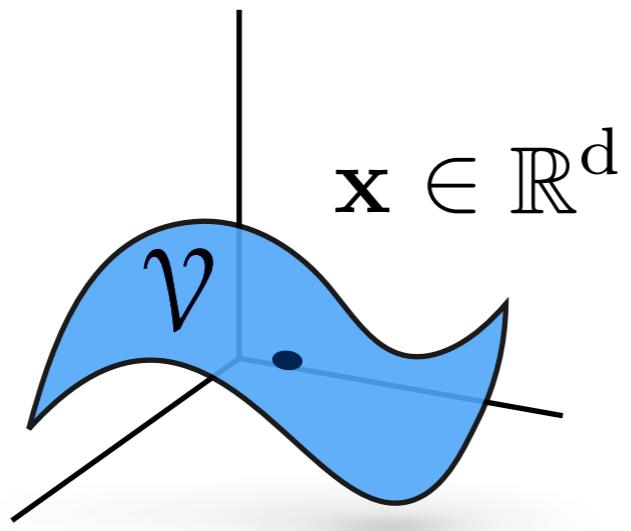
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How? Using tensors

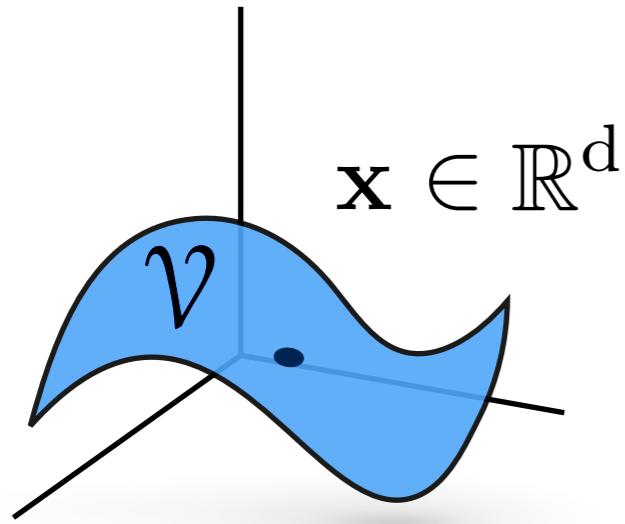


**ROLL
UP
YOUR
SLEEVES!**



$$\begin{cases} f_1(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ f_2(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ f_N(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Consider a point in a variety



$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v_{11}x_1^2 + v_{12}x_1x_2 + v_{13}x_1x_3 + \cdots + v_{1D}x_d^2 = 0 \\ v_{21}x_1^2 + v_{22}x_1x_2 + v_{23}x_1x_3 + \cdots + v_{2D}x_d^2 = 0 \\ \vdots \\ v_{N1}x_1^2 + v_{N2}x_1x_2 + v_{N3}x_1x_3 + \cdots + v_{ND}x_d^2 = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

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$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V}$$

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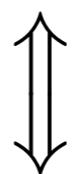
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$$V^T x^{\otimes 2} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{x} \in \overset{\textcolor{blue}{\curvearrowleft}}{\mathcal{V}} \iff \mathbf{V}^\top \mathbf{x}^{\otimes 2} = 0$$

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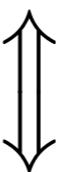


$$x^{\otimes 2} \in \ker V^T$$

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\mathcal{S}

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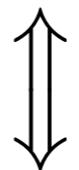


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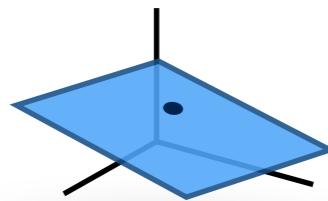
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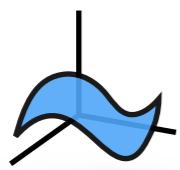
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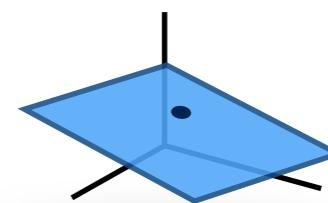
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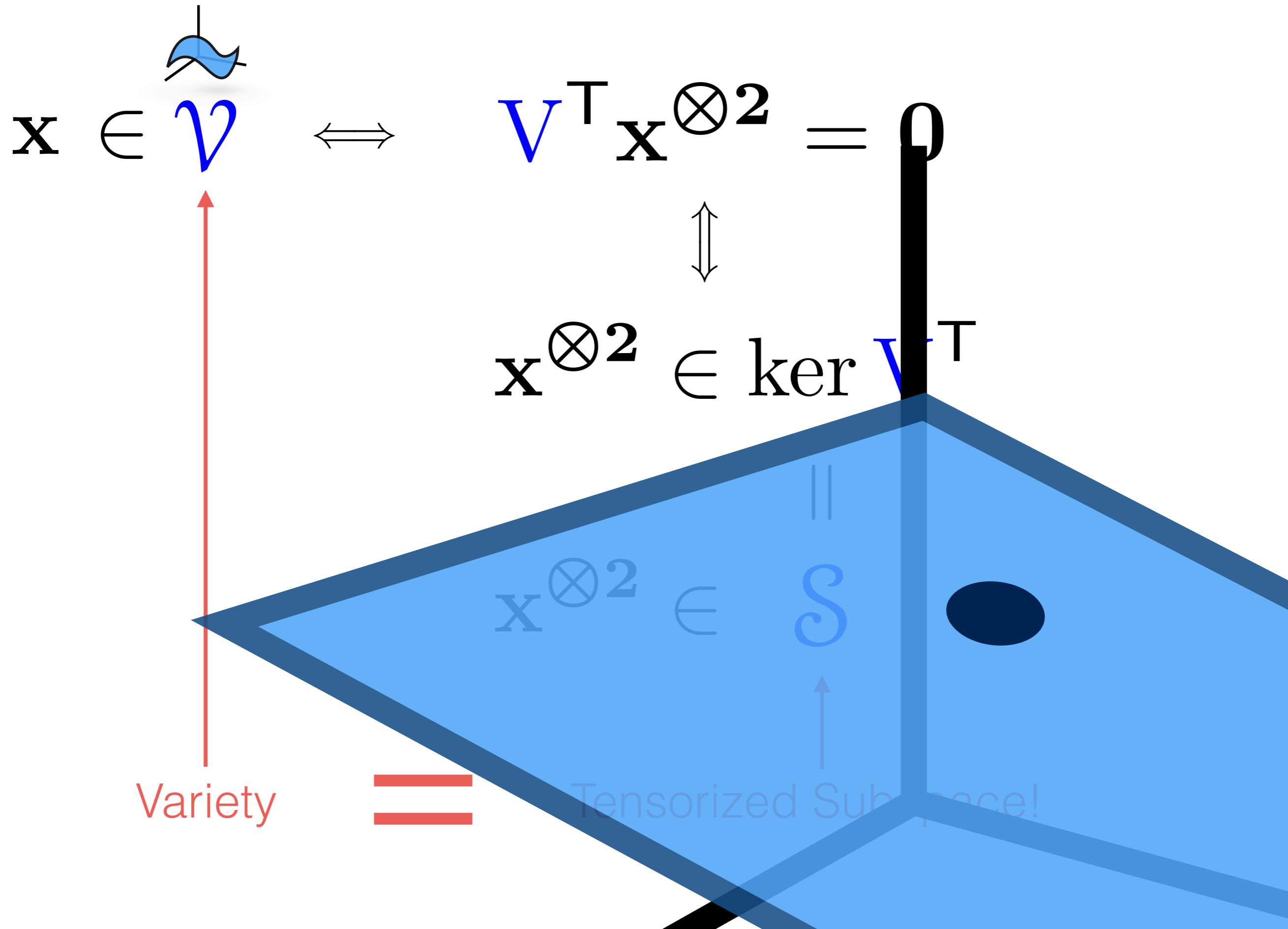
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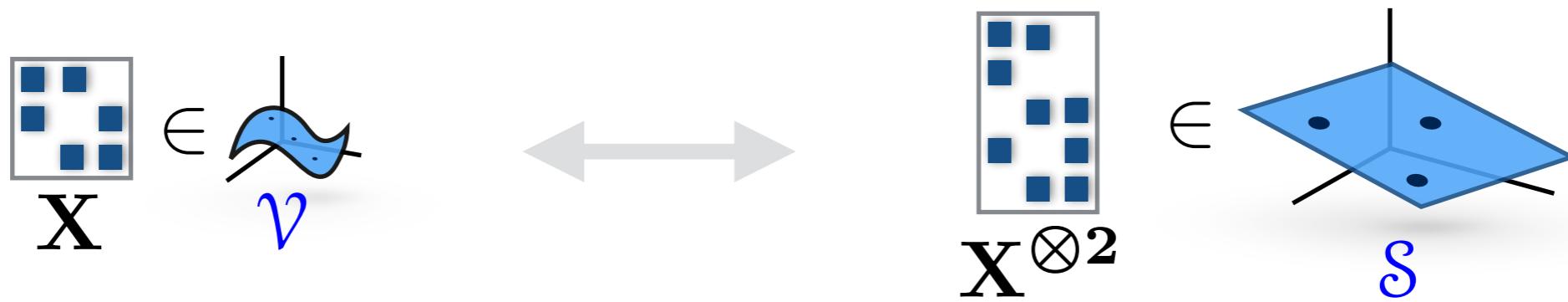
Variety



Tensorized Subspace!



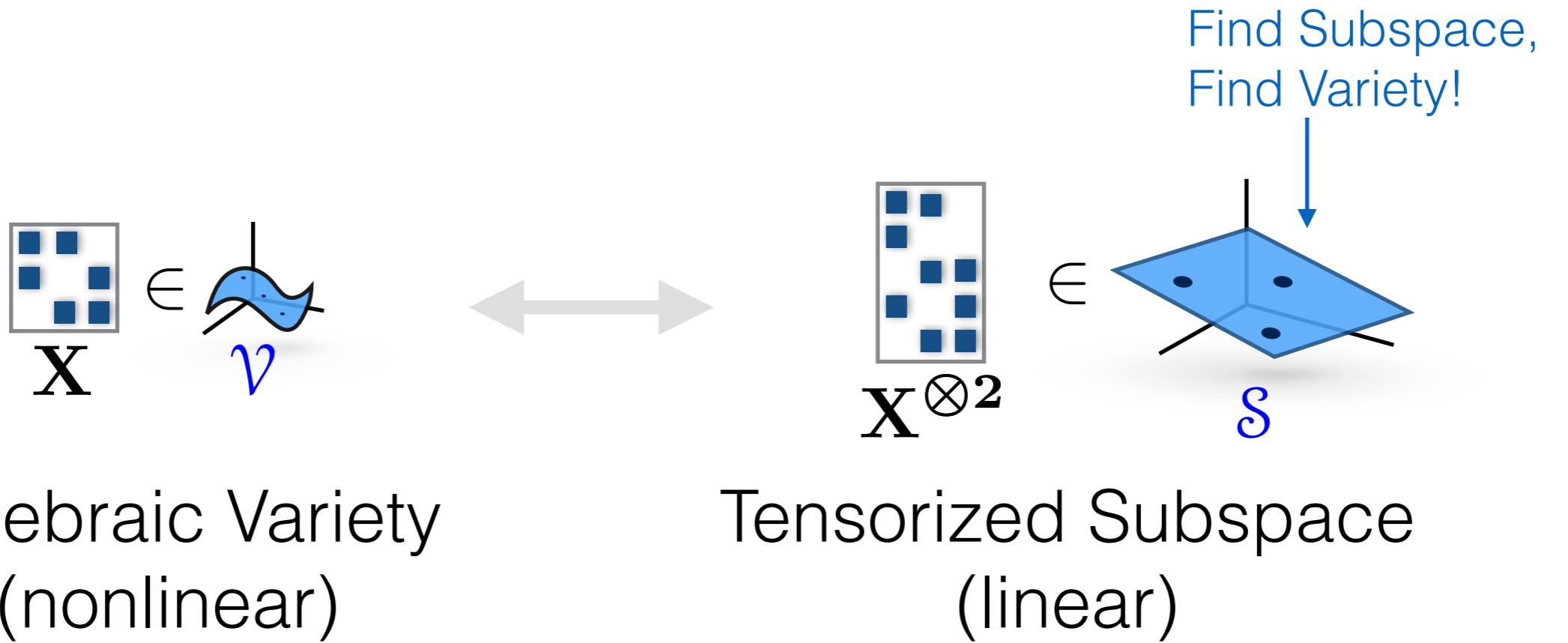
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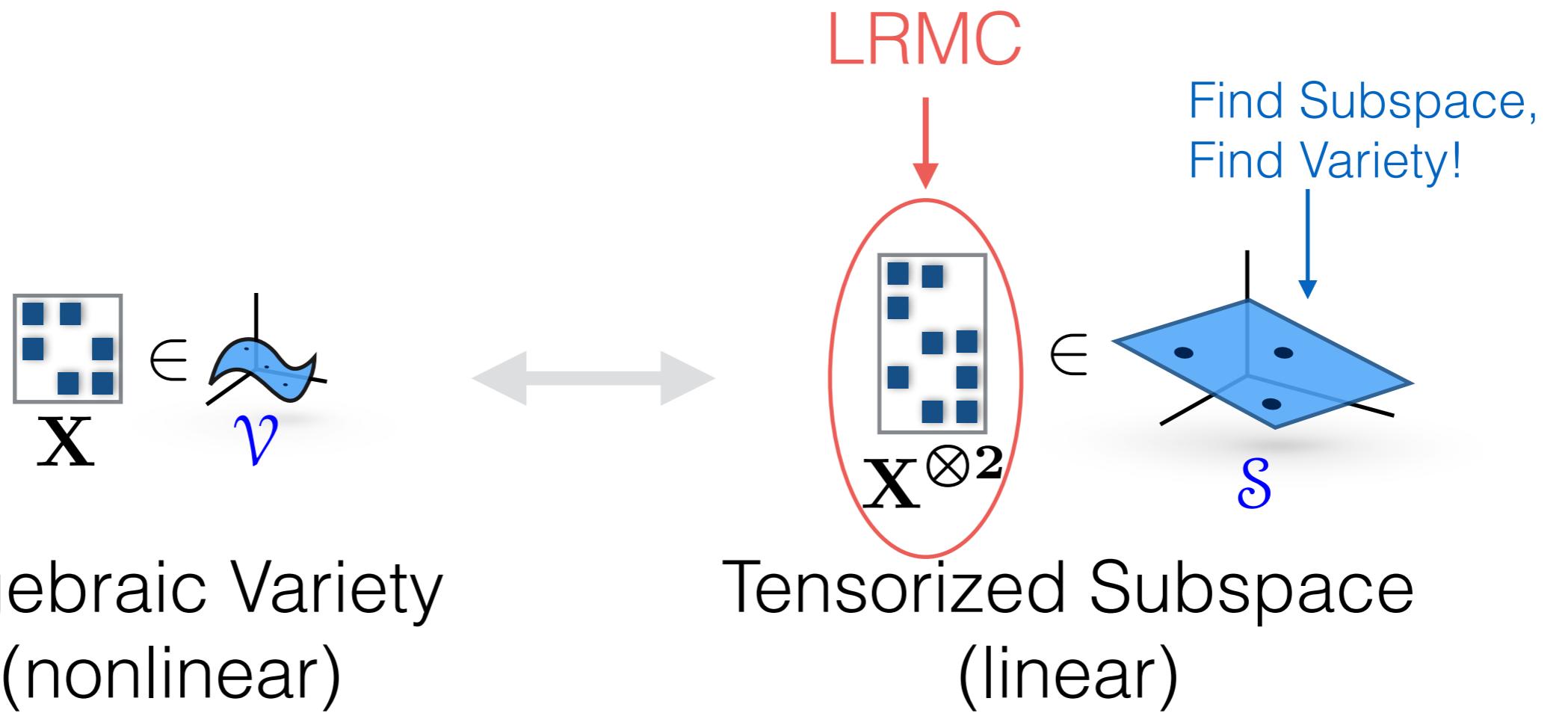
Algebraic Variety
(nonlinear)

Tensorized Subspace
(linear)

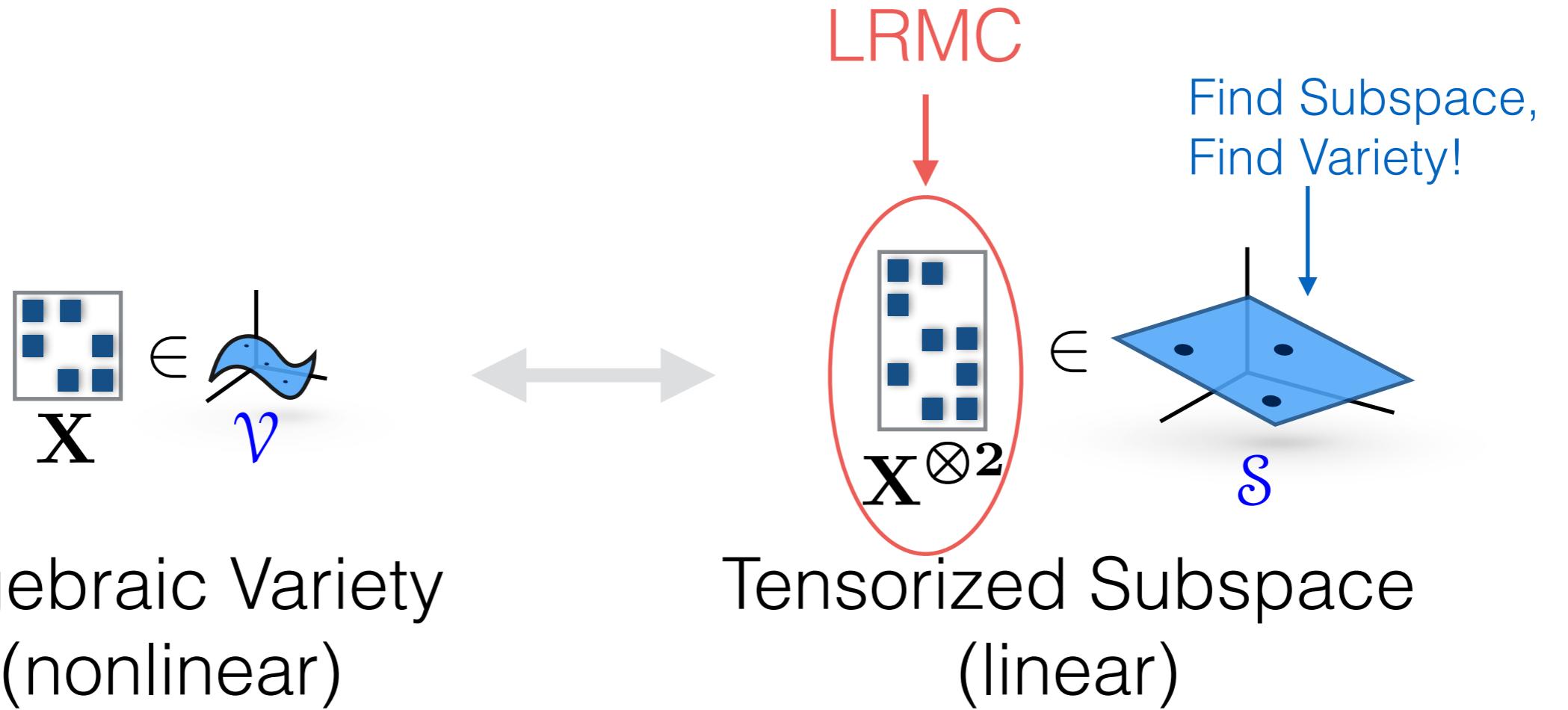
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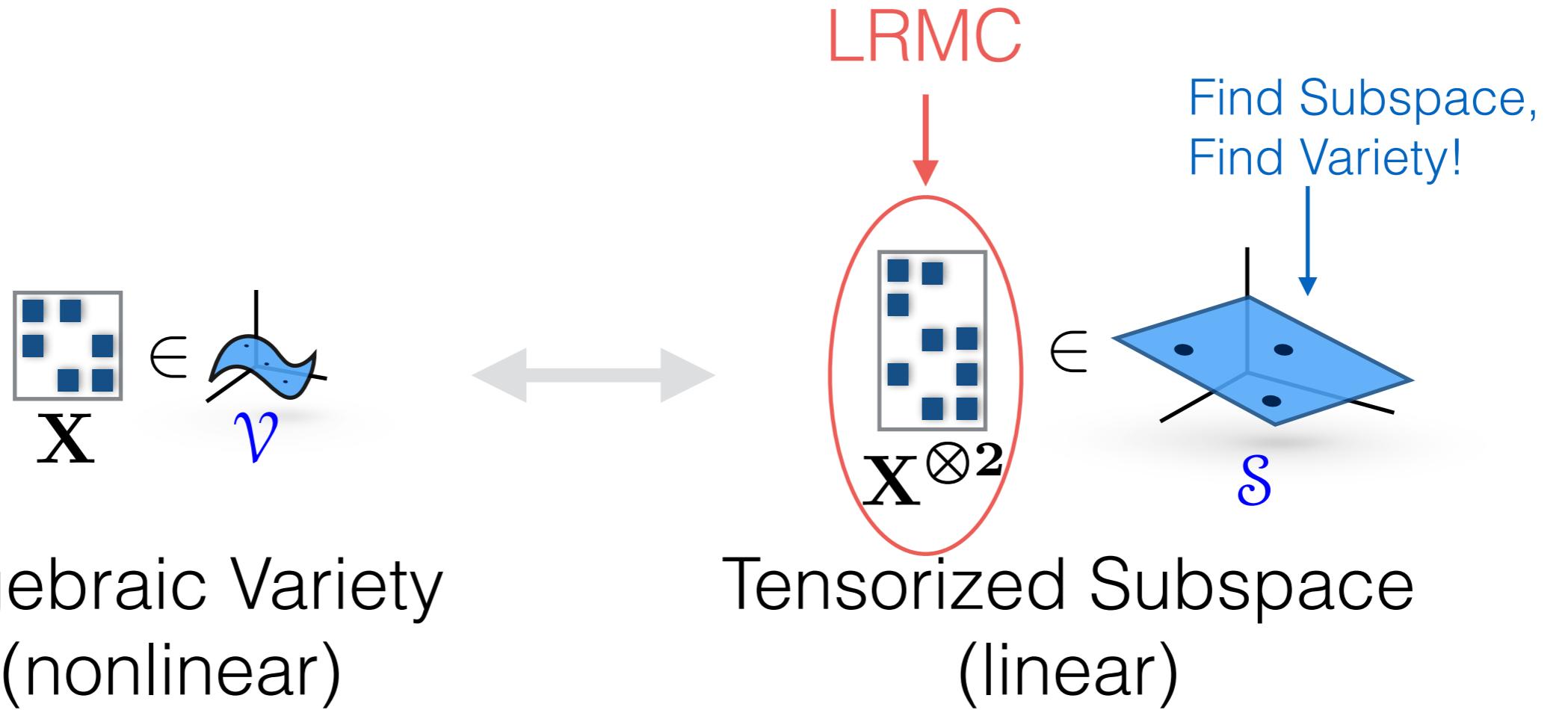


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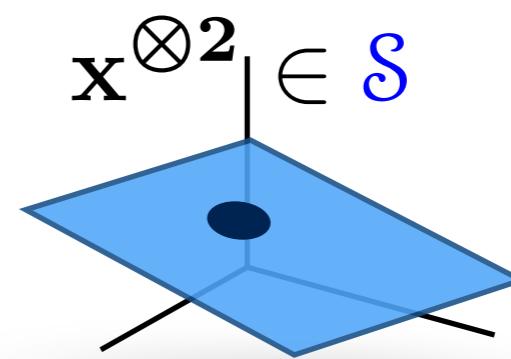
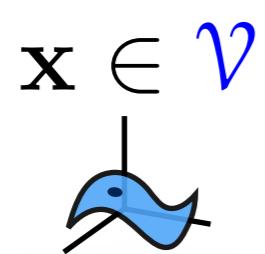
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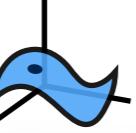
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More or less...


$$\mathbf{x}$$

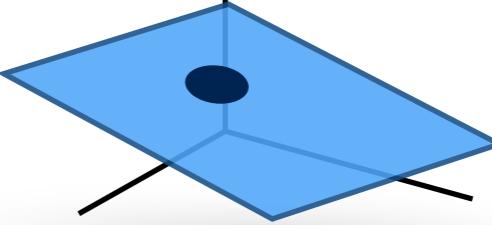
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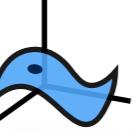
$\mathbf{x}^{\otimes 2} \in \mathcal{S}$



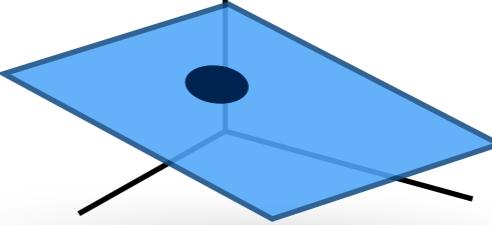
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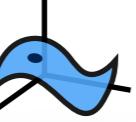
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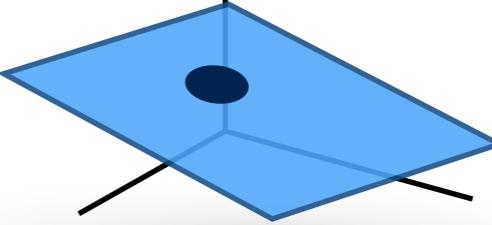
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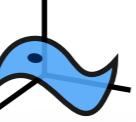
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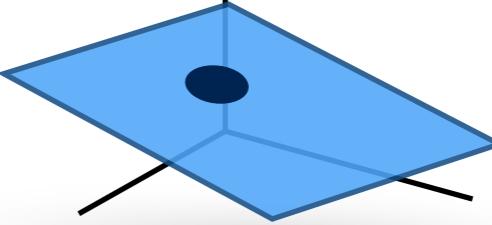
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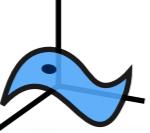


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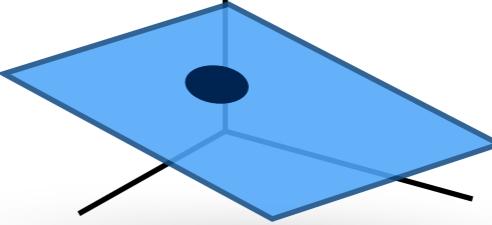
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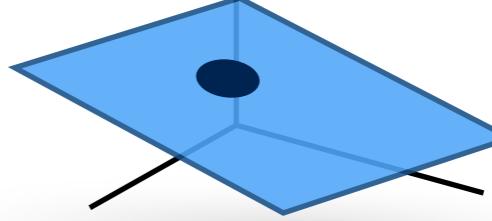
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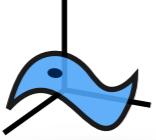


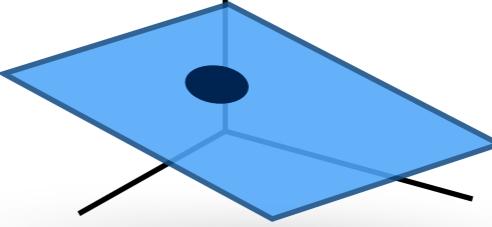
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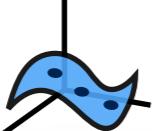
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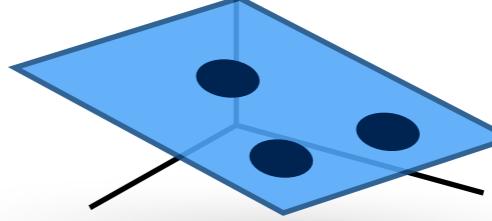
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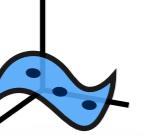
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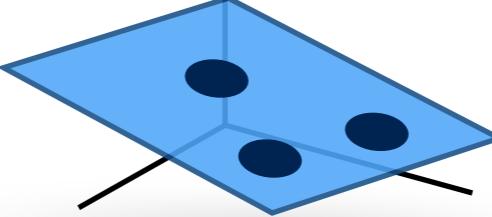
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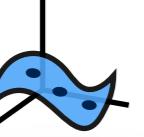
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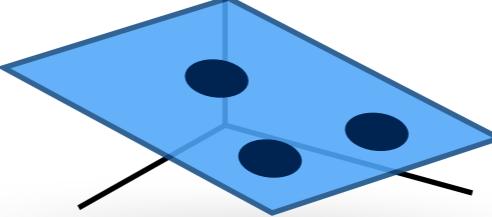
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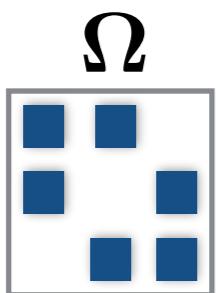
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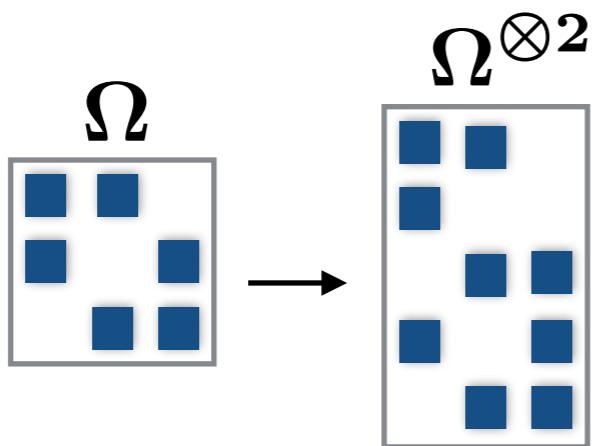
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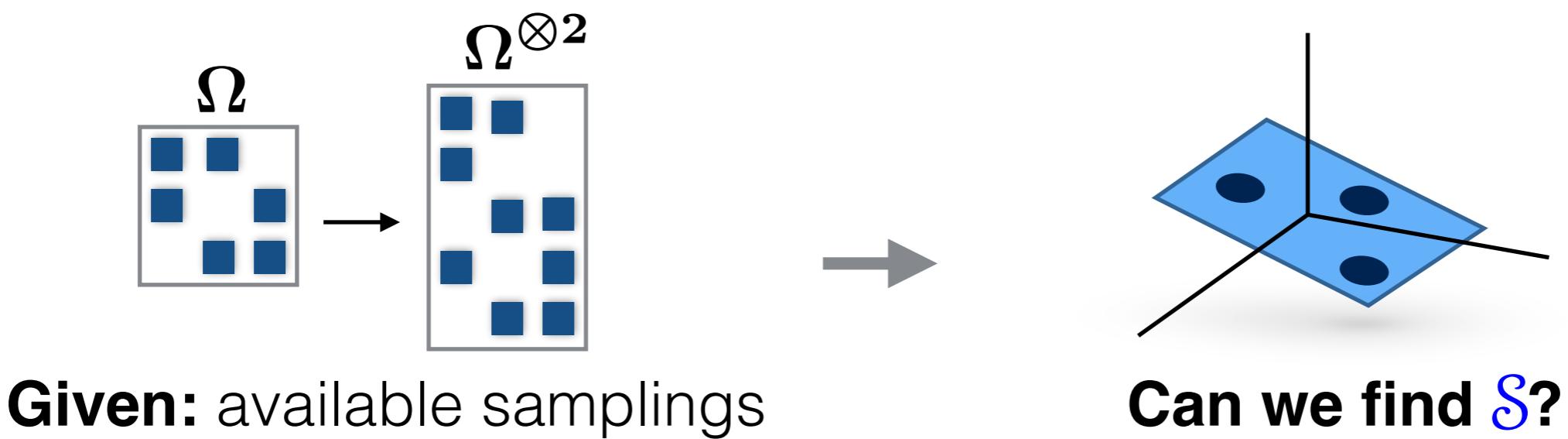
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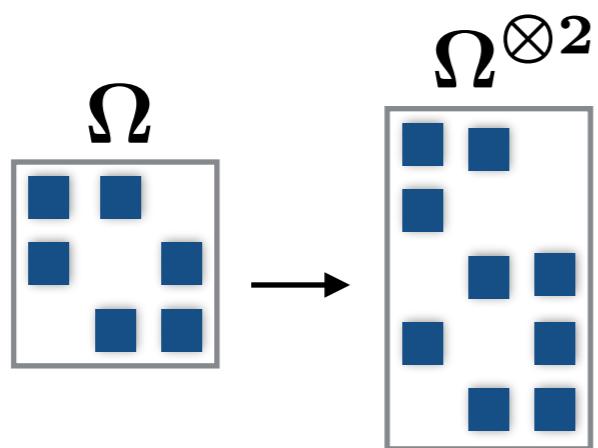


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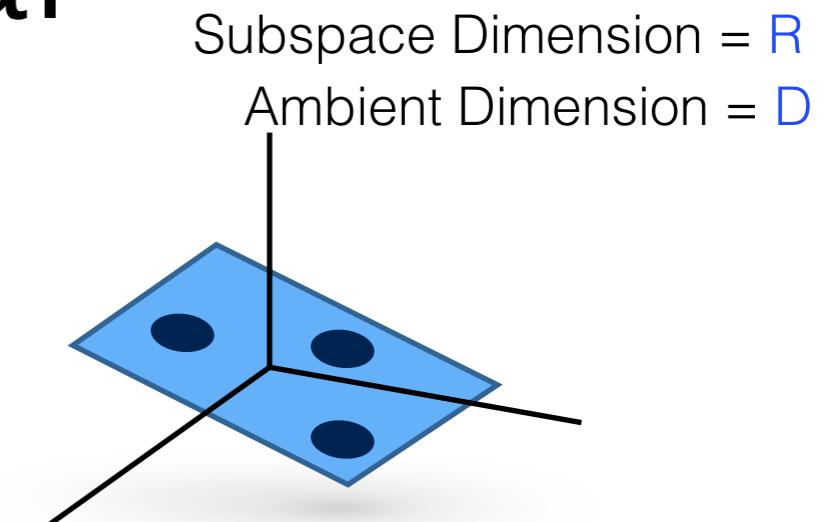
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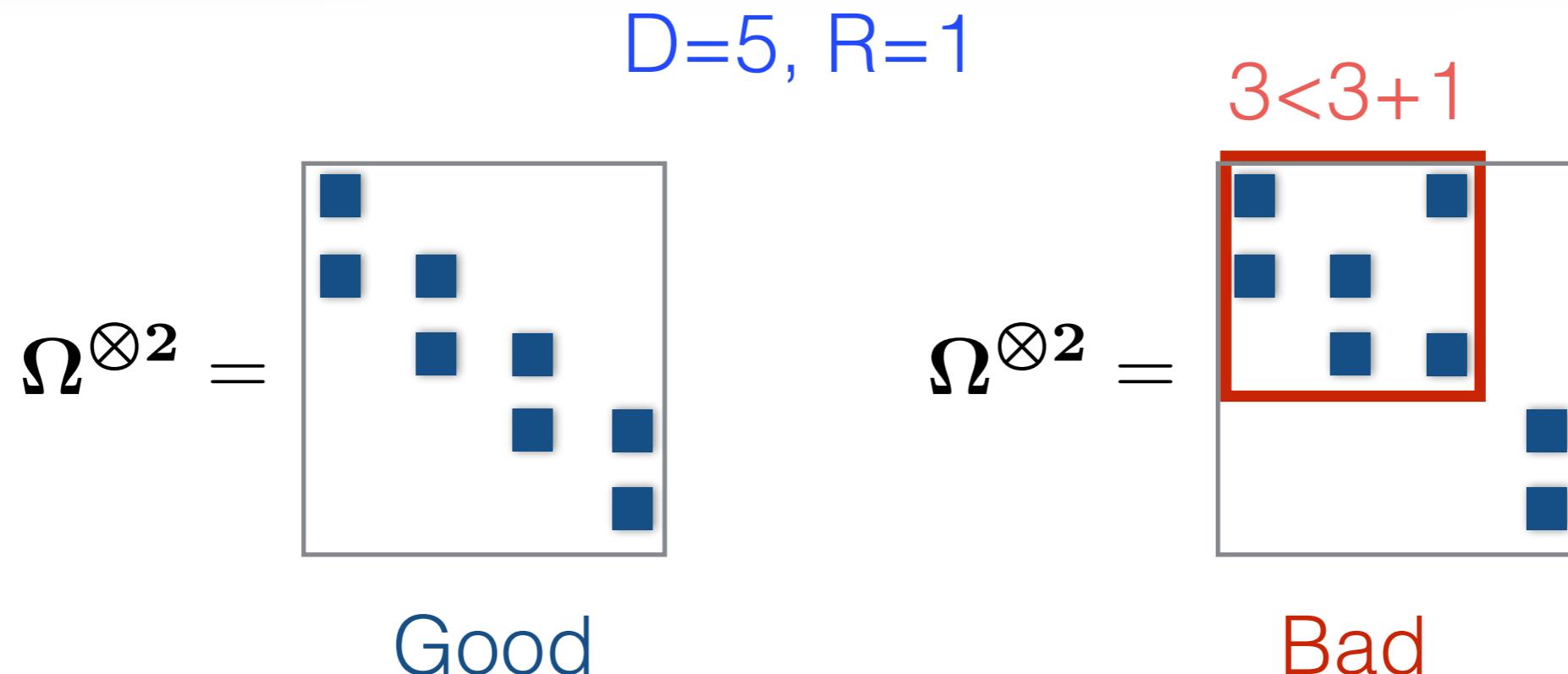
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In words:

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- Iff you observe *the right* entries (rows vs cols condition).
- There is an easy way to check this rows vs cols condition.
- If the condition is satisfied, there is an easy way to find \mathcal{S} .



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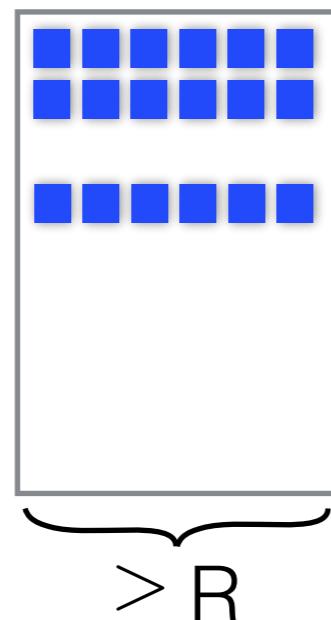
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Data $\in \mathcal{S}$



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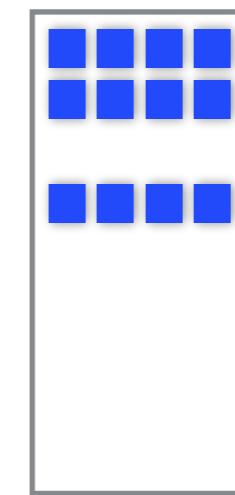


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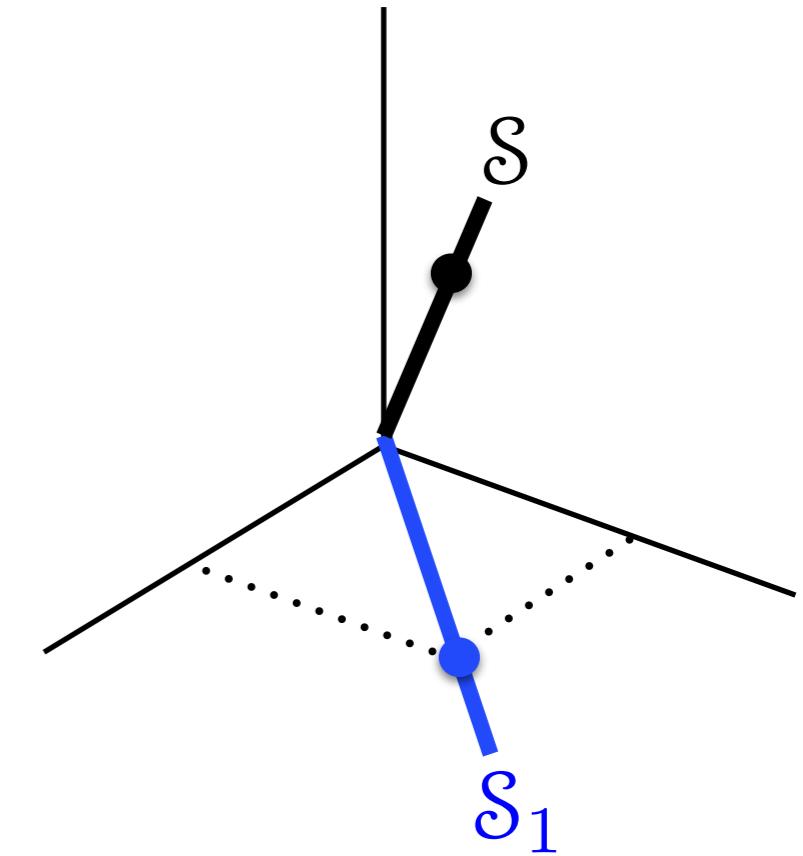
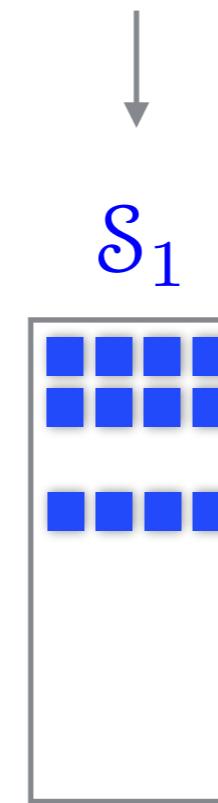
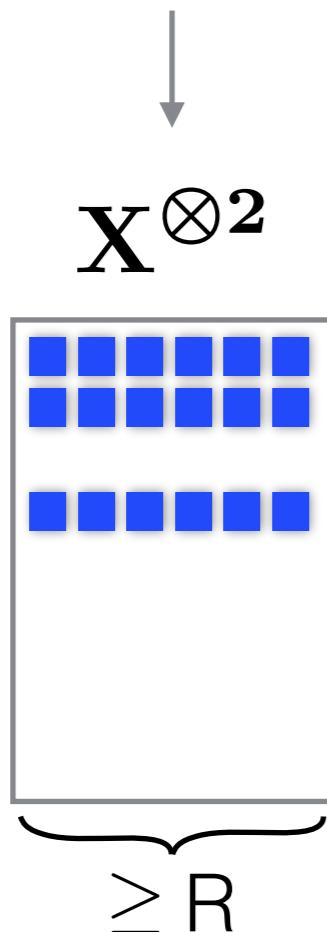


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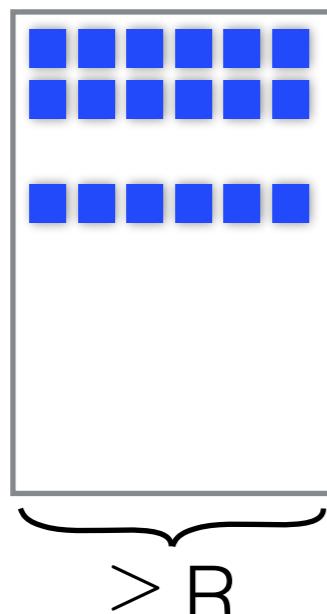
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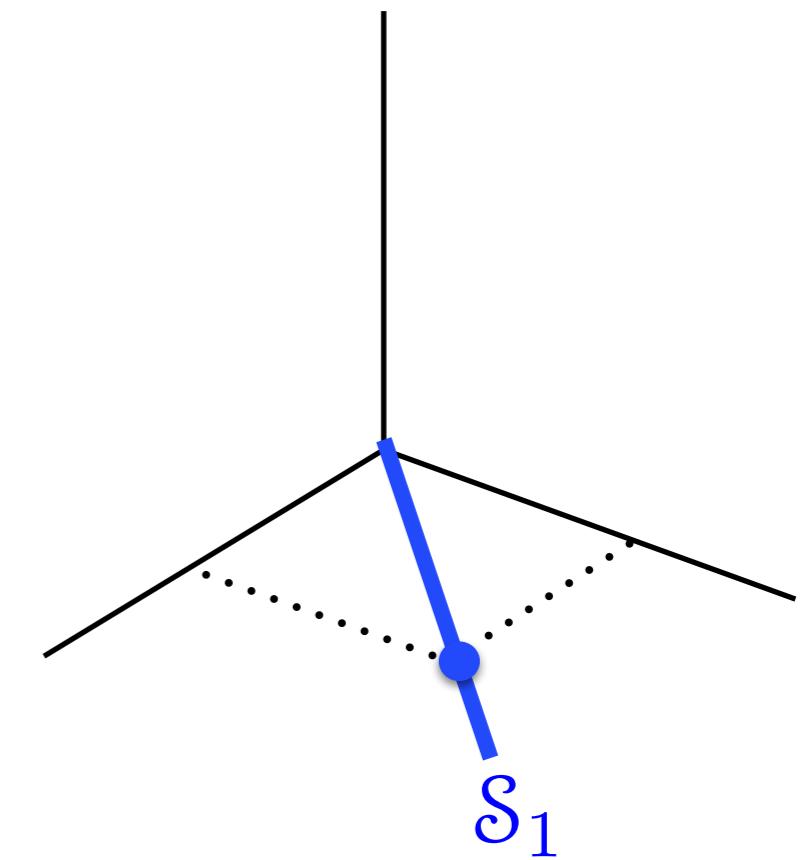
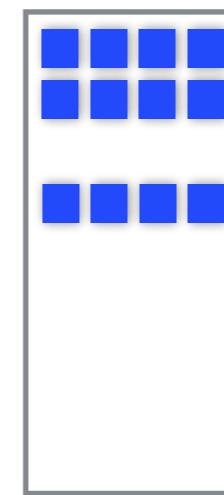


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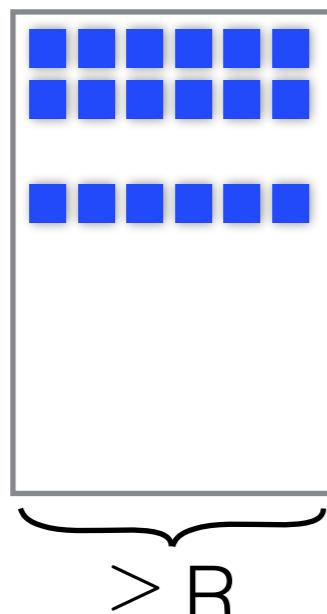
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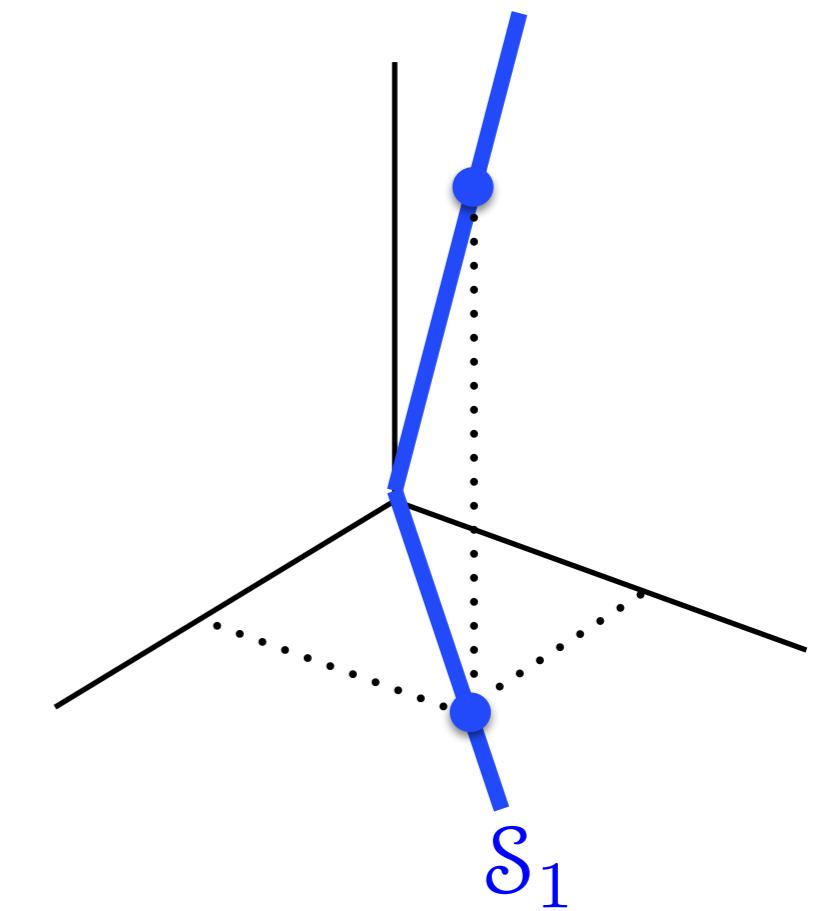
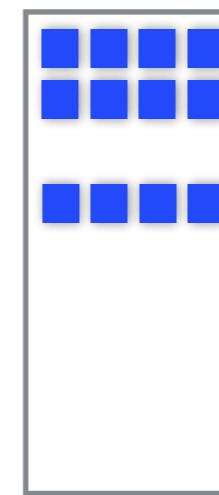
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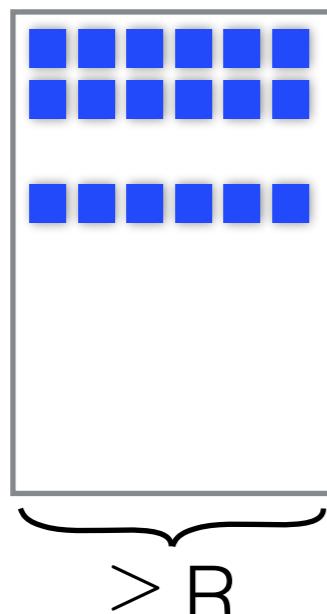
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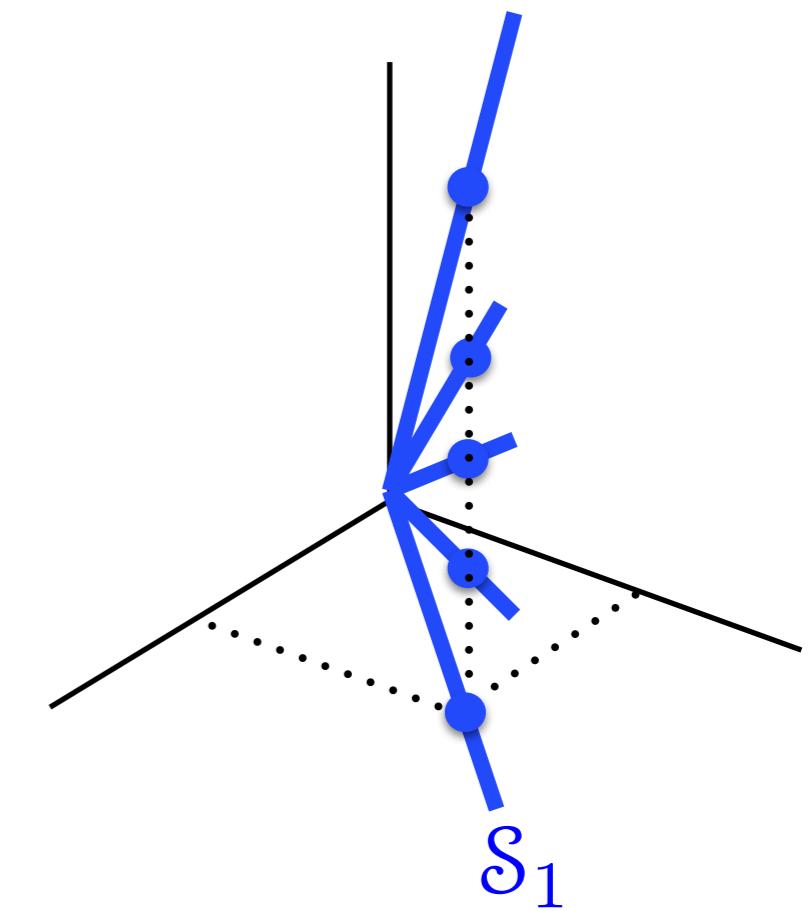
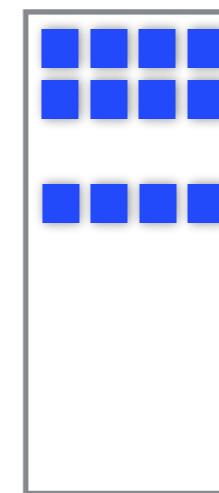
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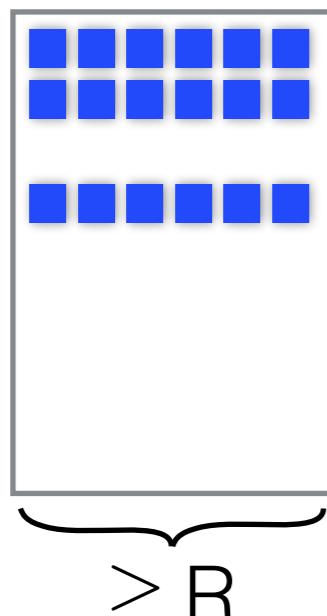
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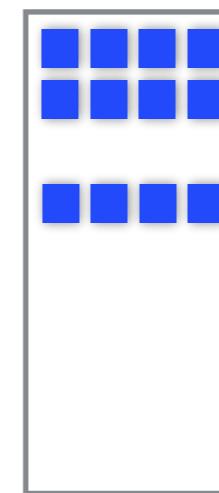
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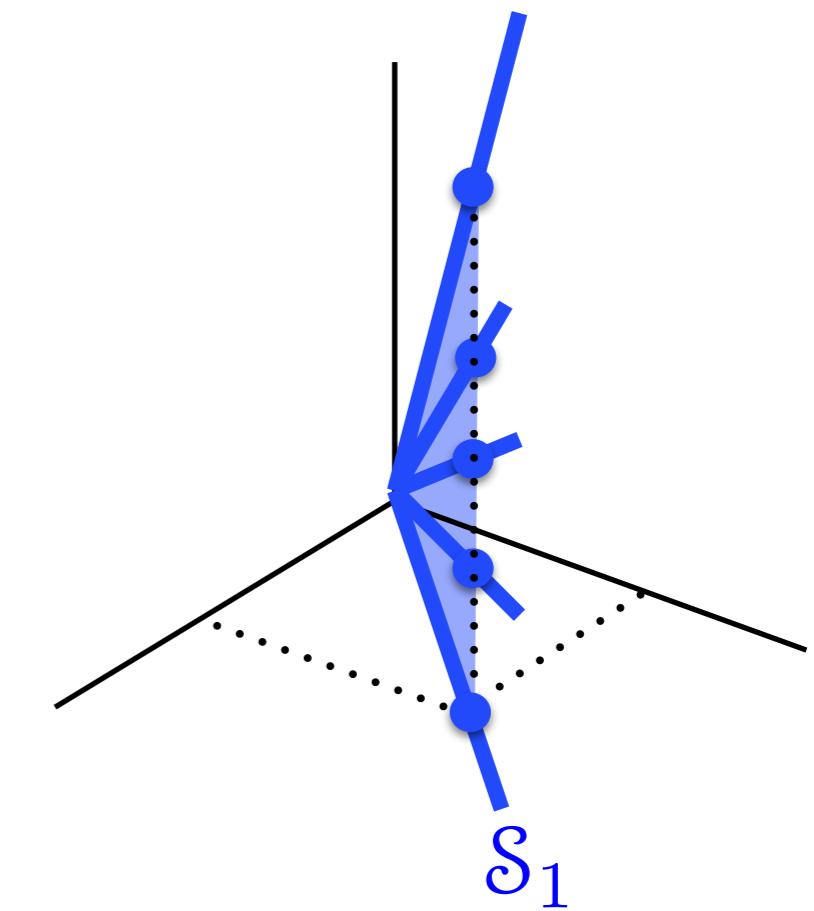


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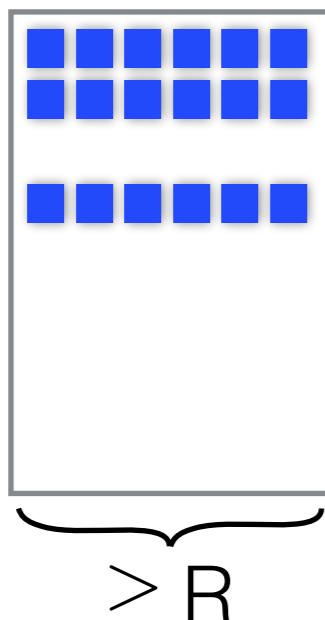


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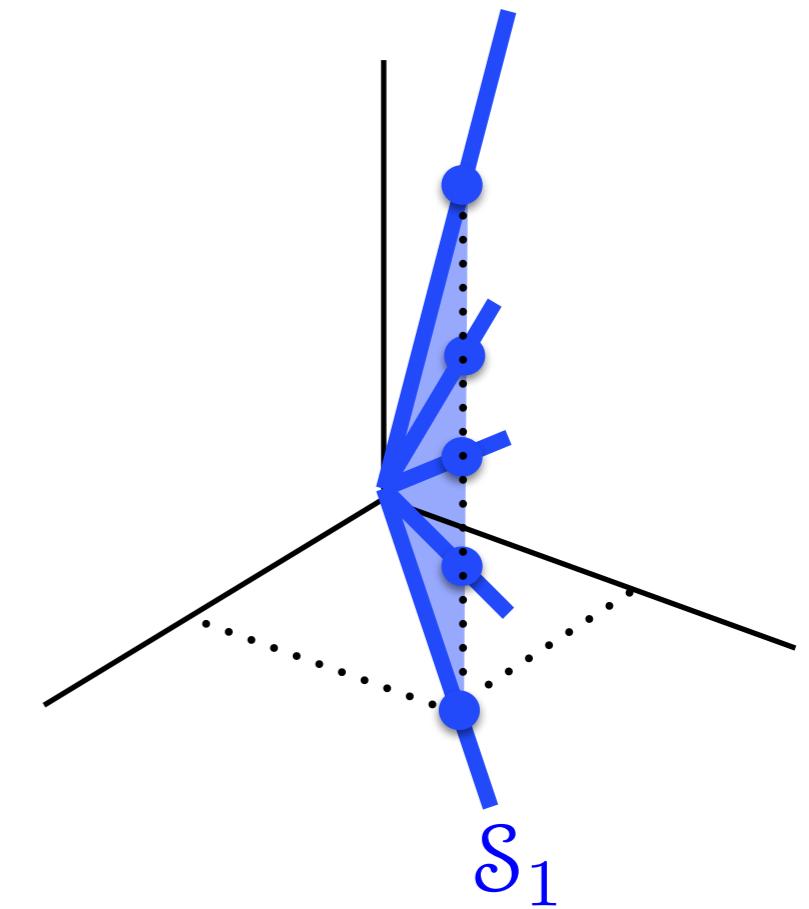
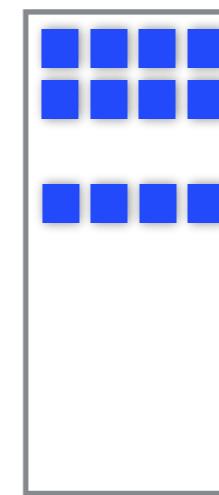


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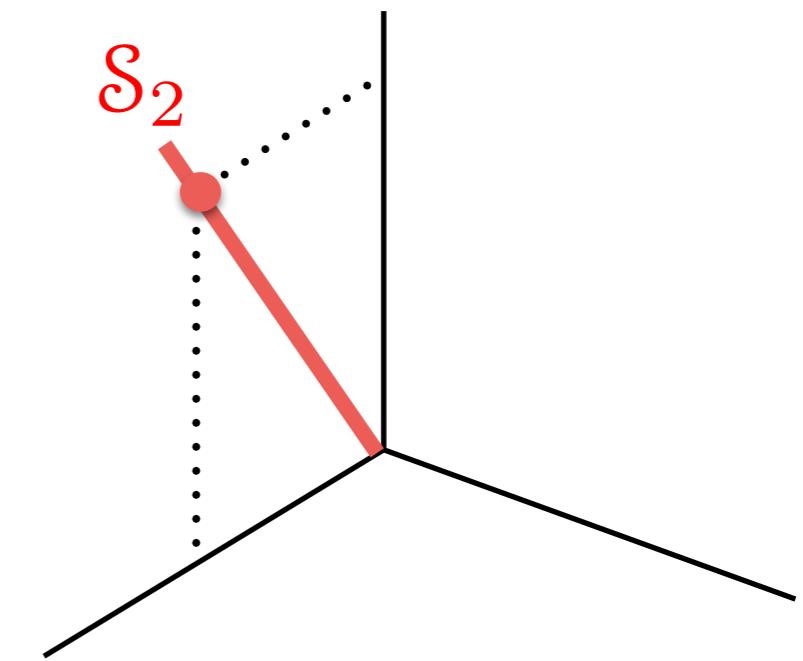
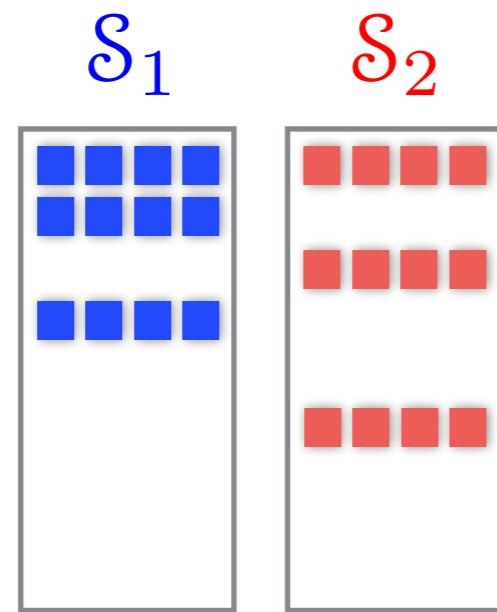
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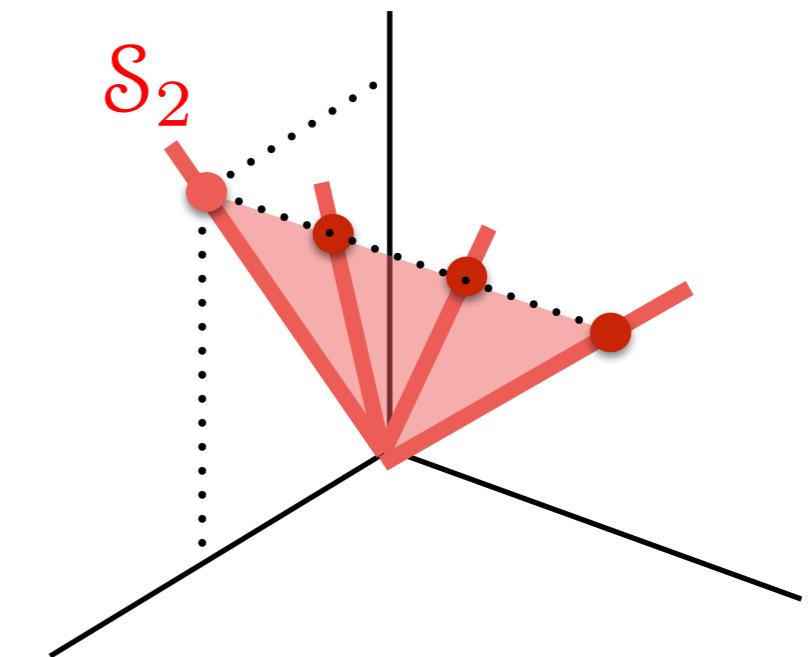
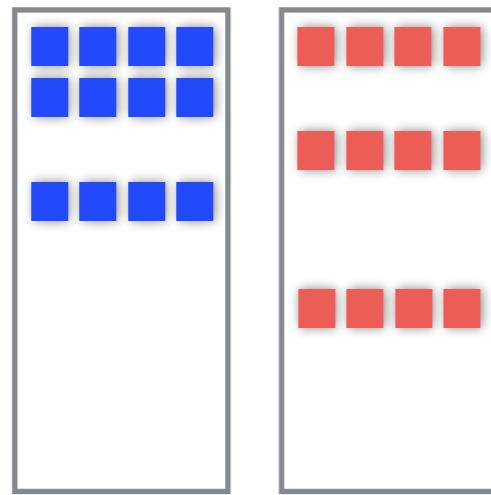


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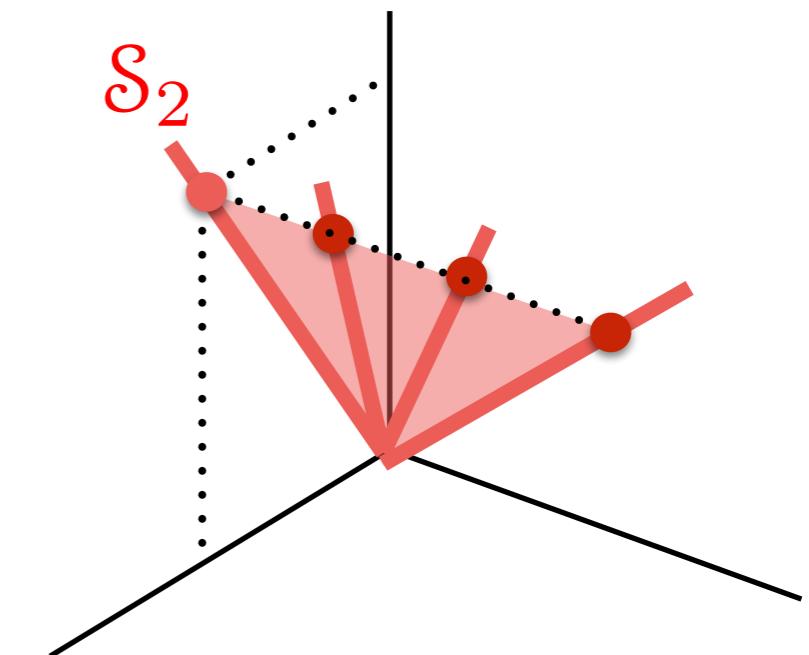
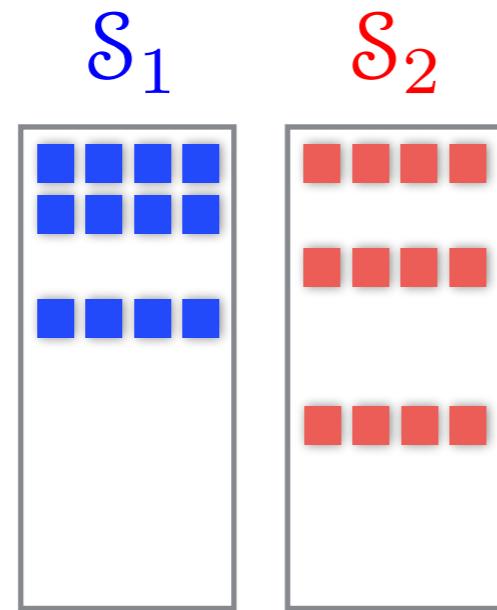


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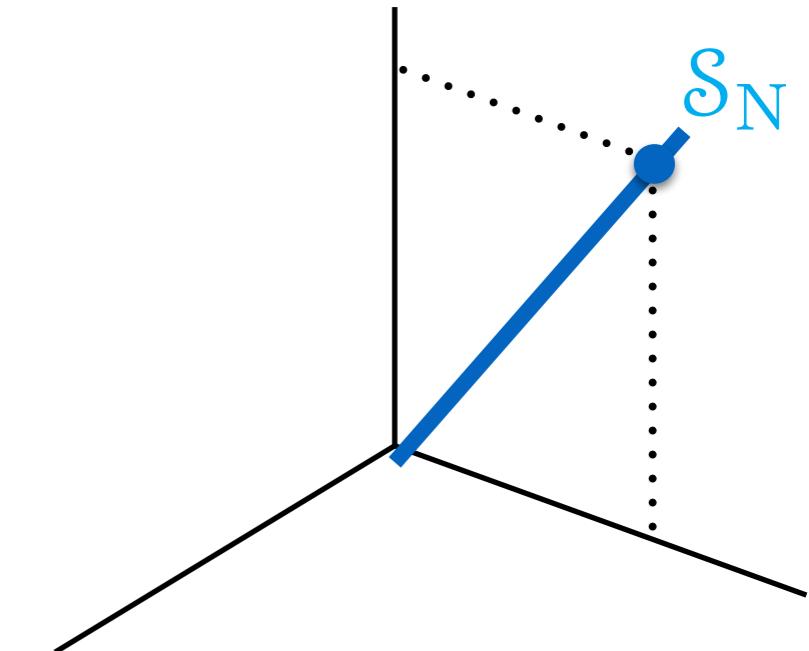
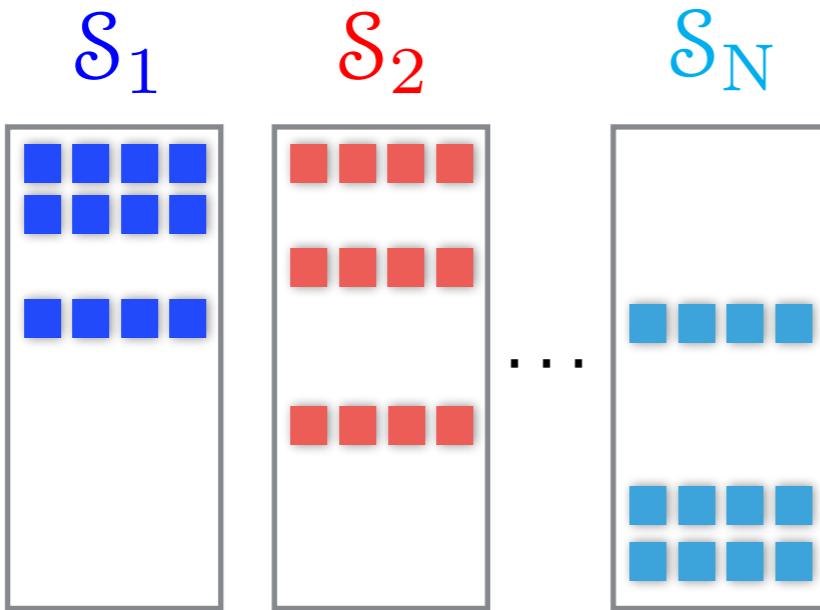
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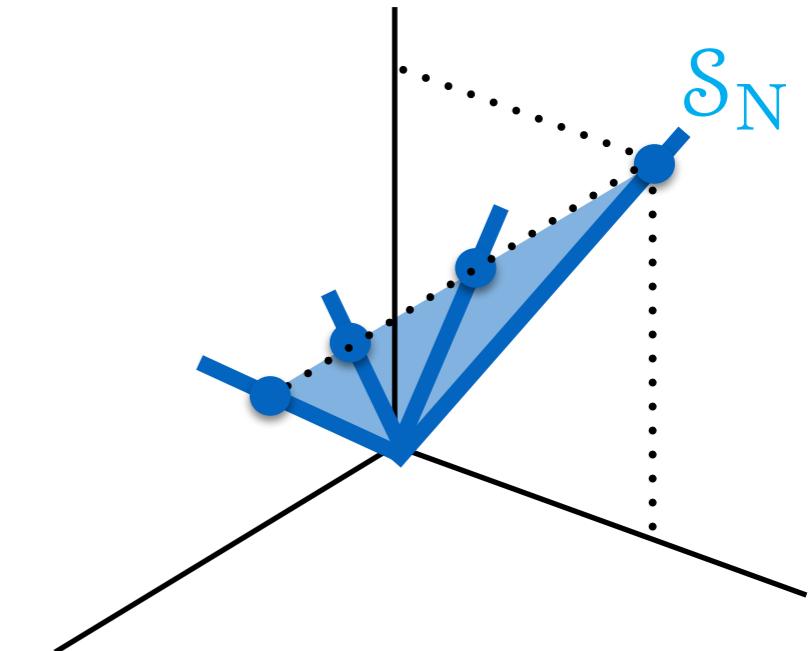
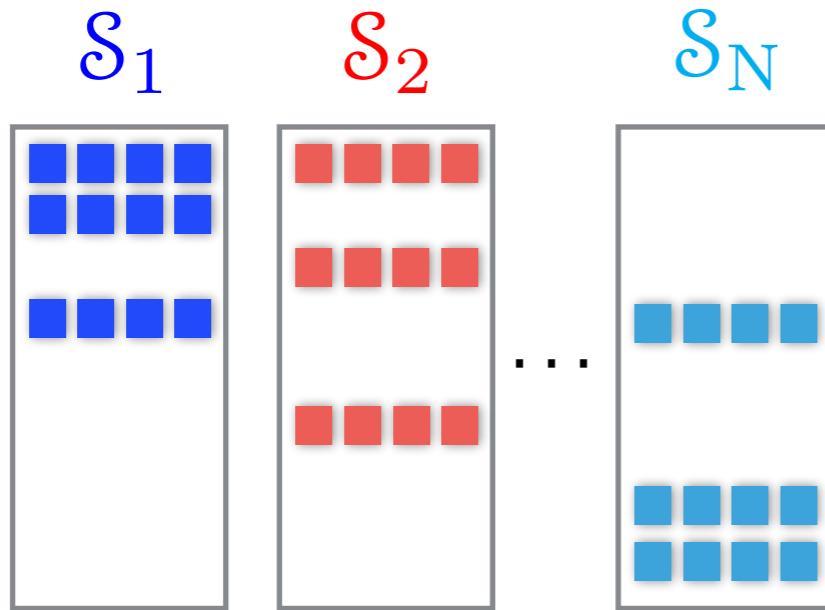
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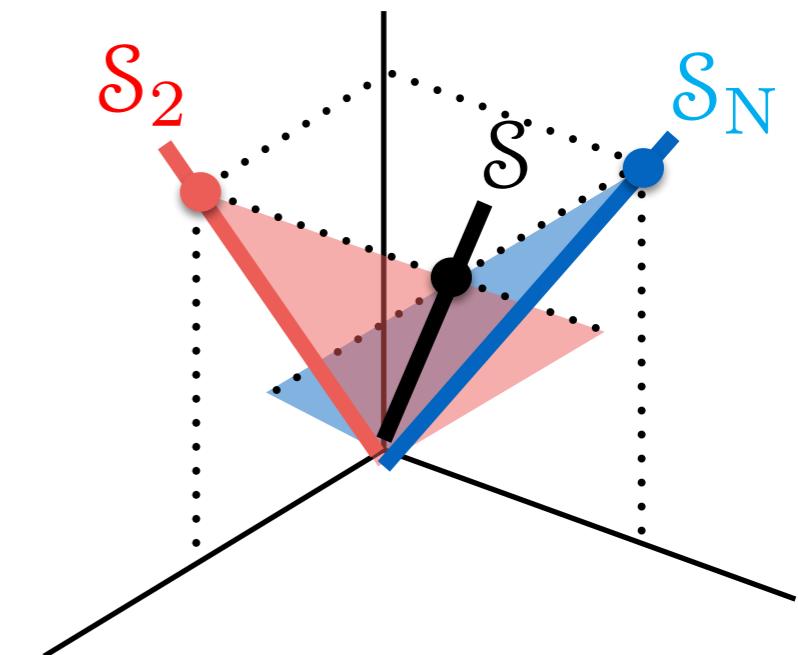
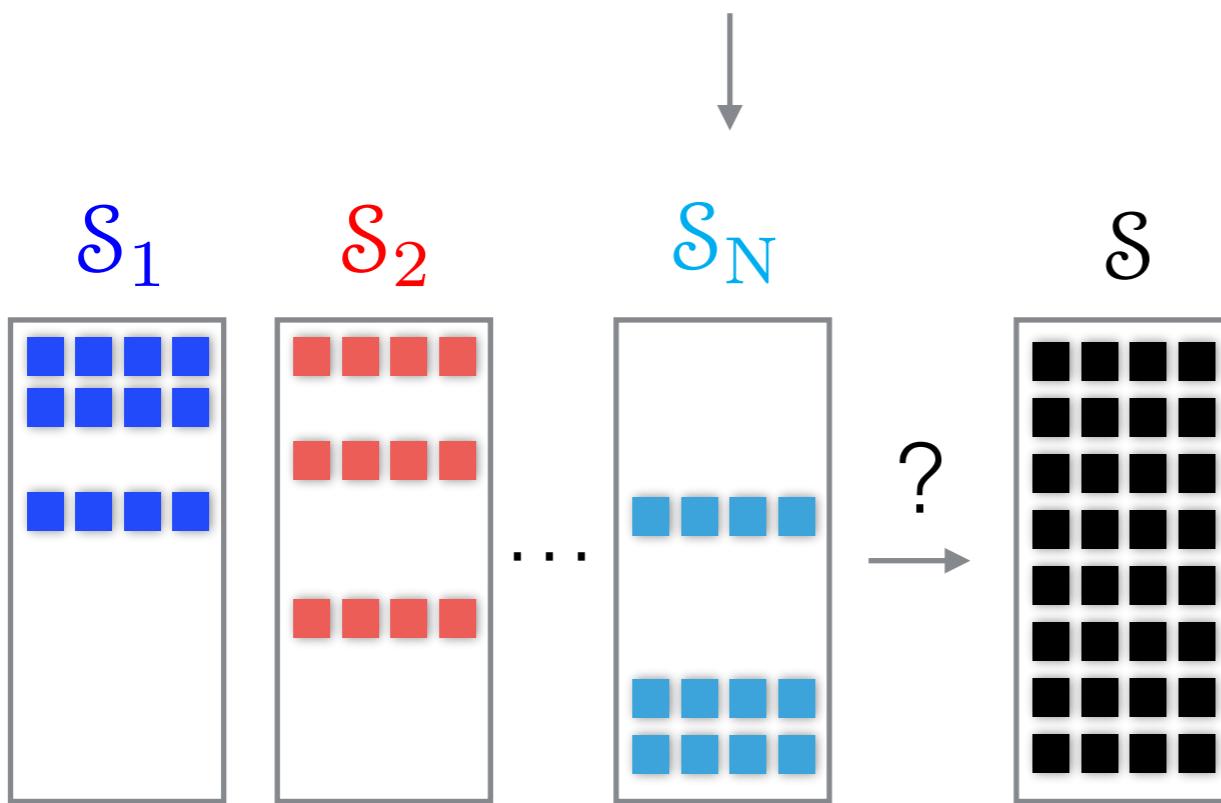
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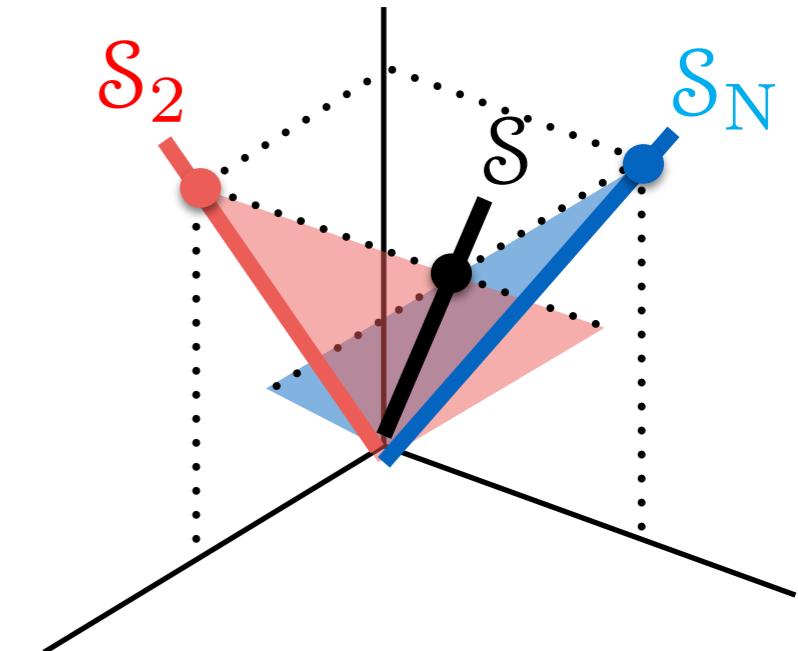
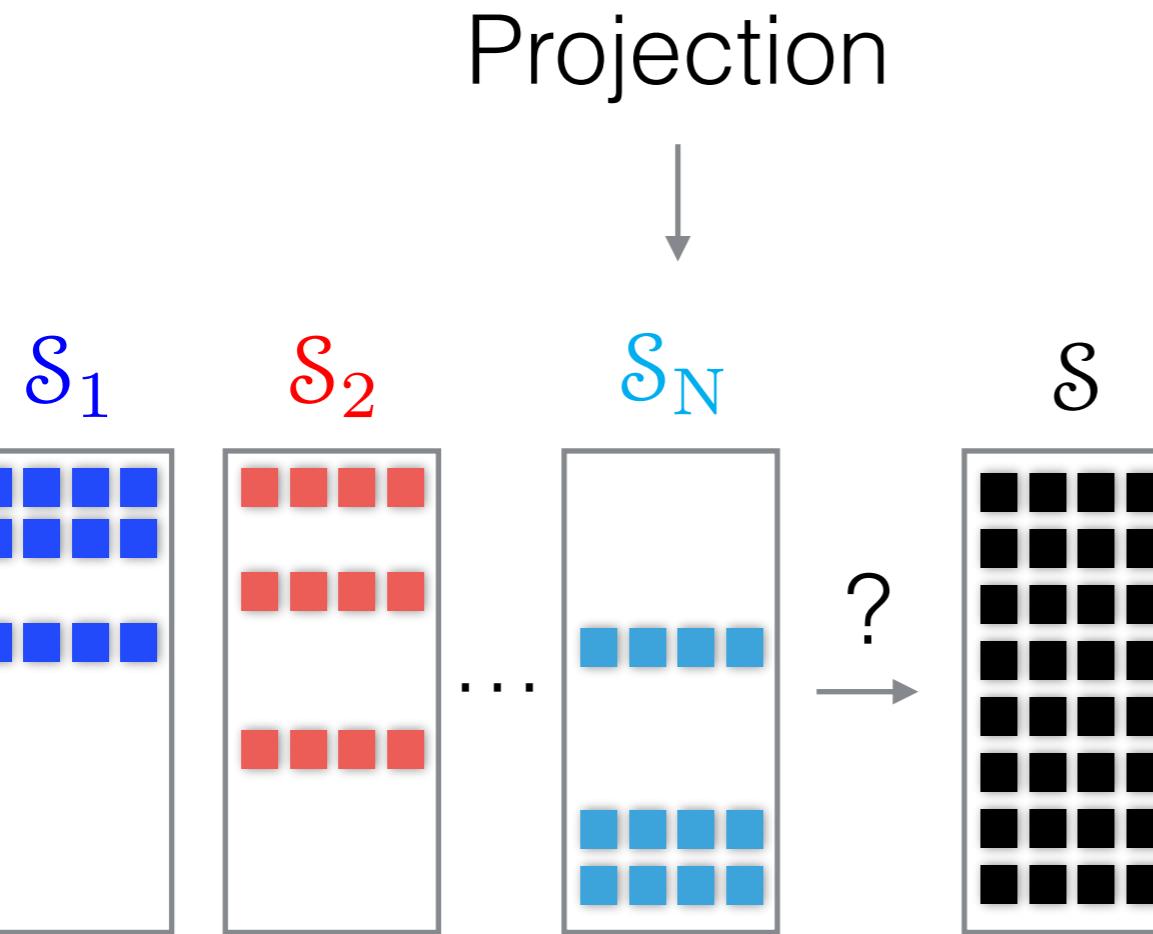
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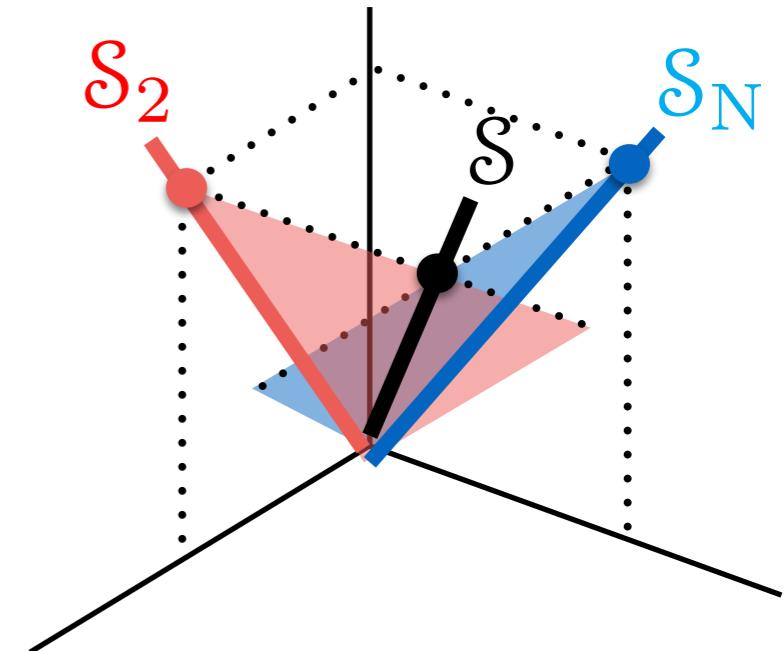
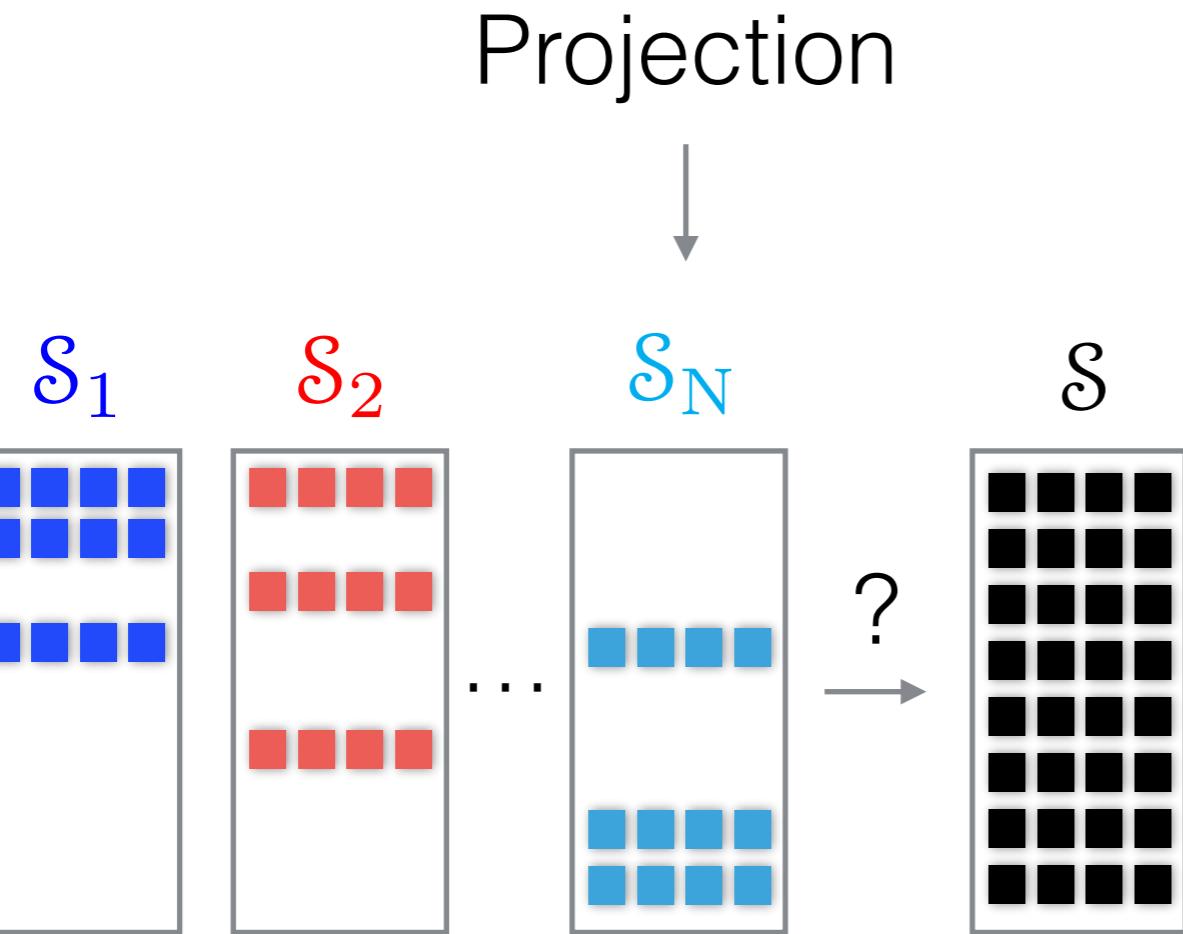
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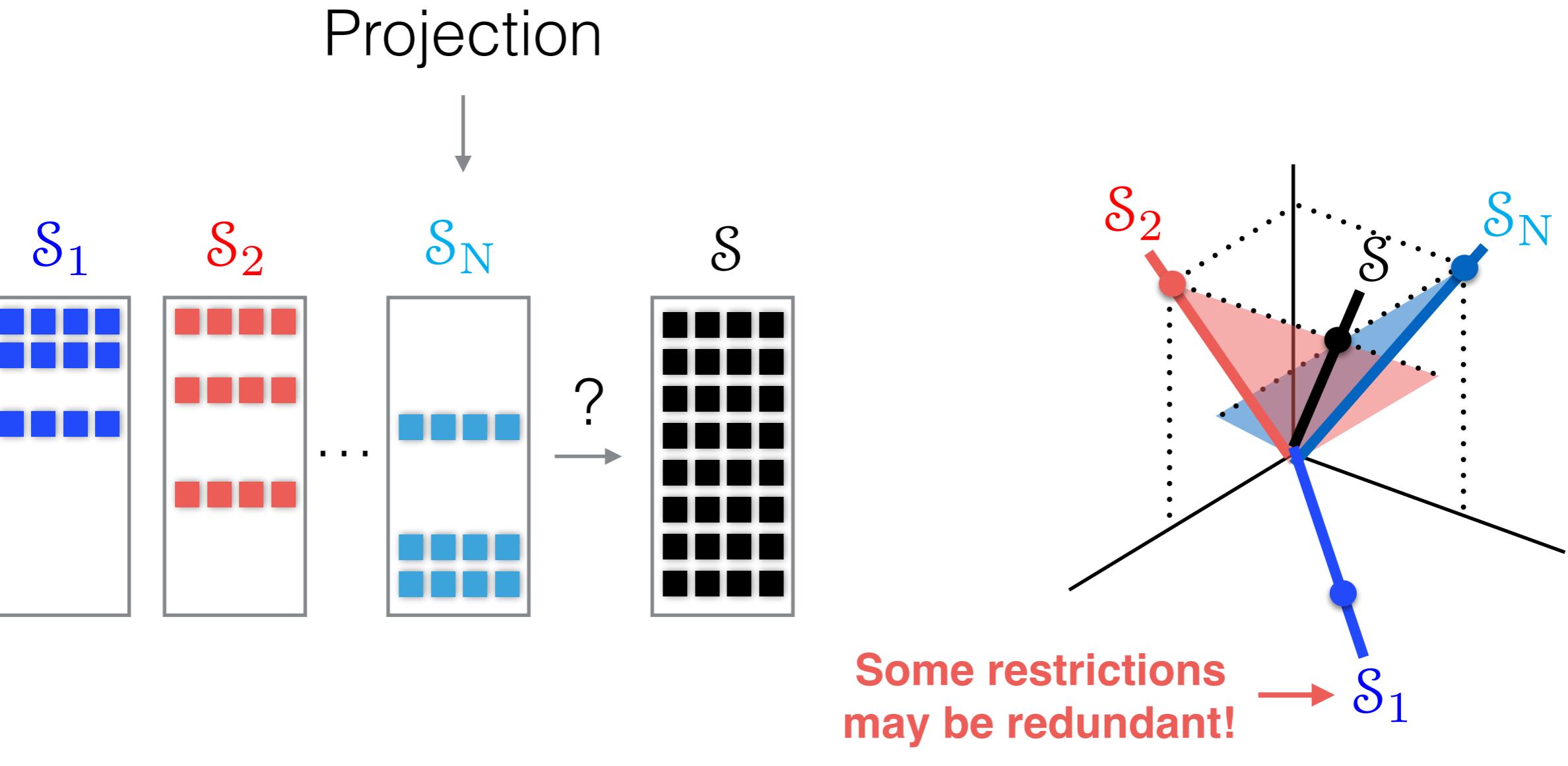


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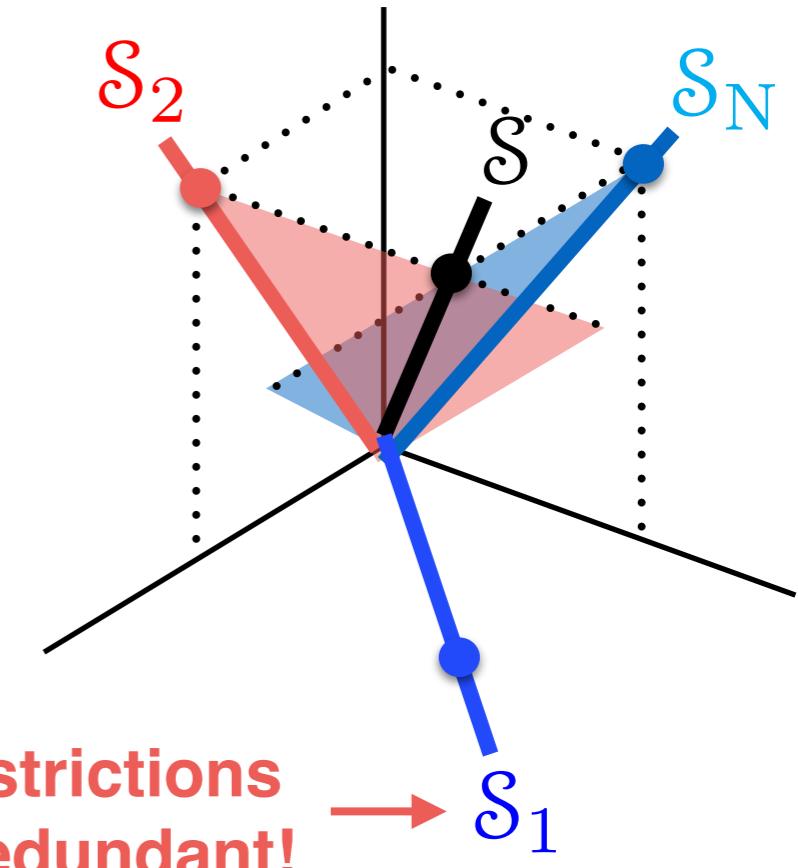
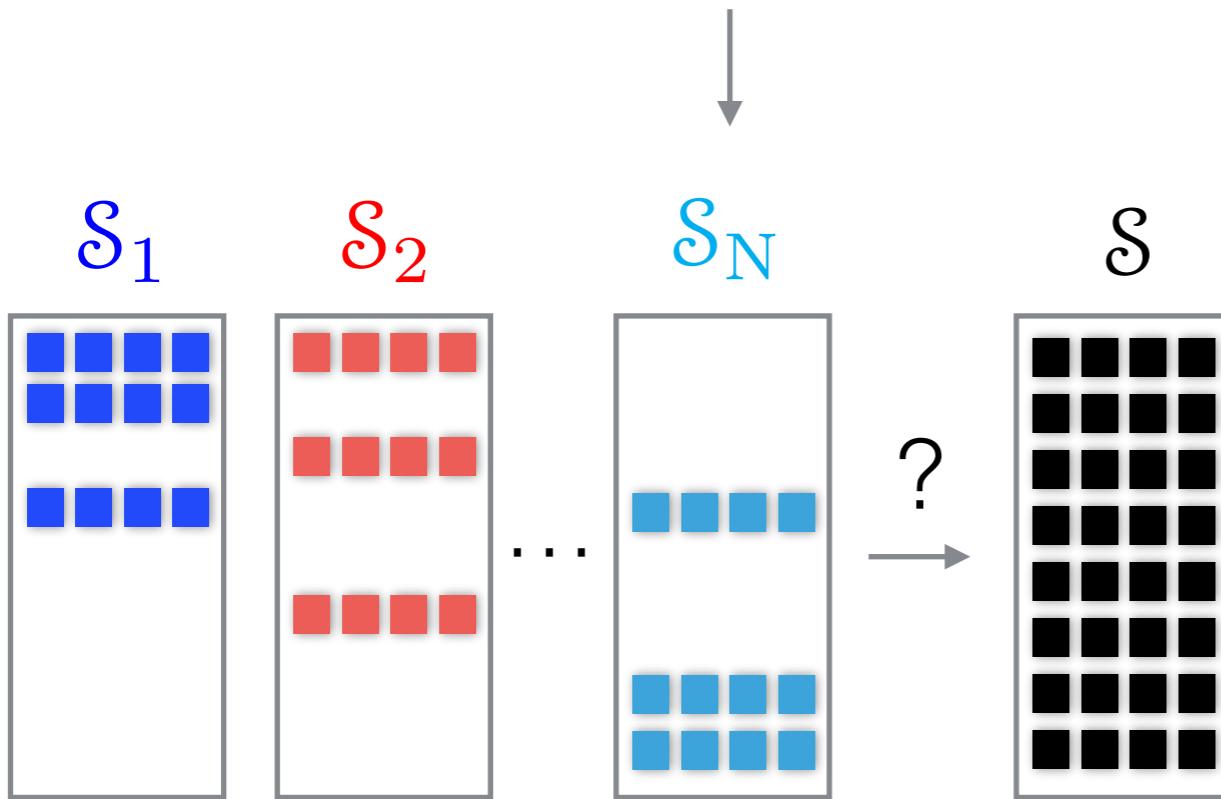
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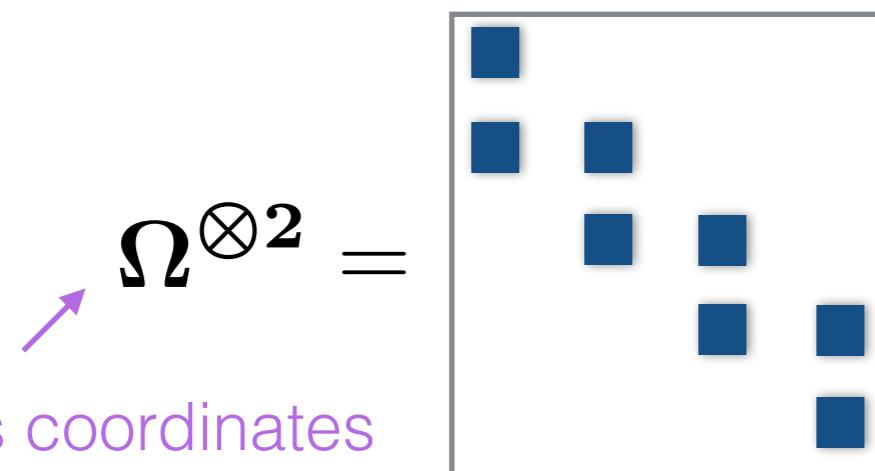
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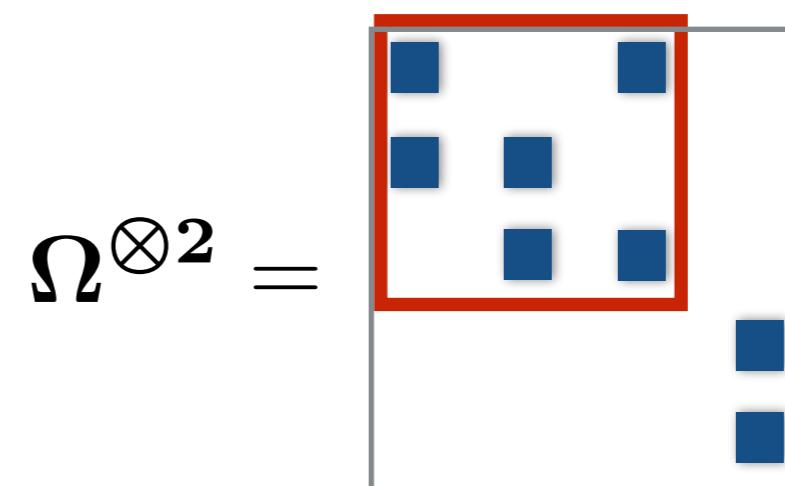
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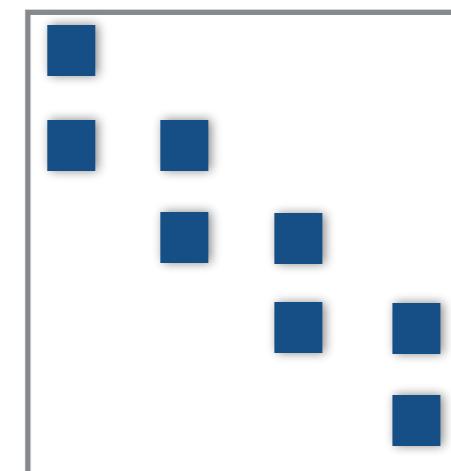
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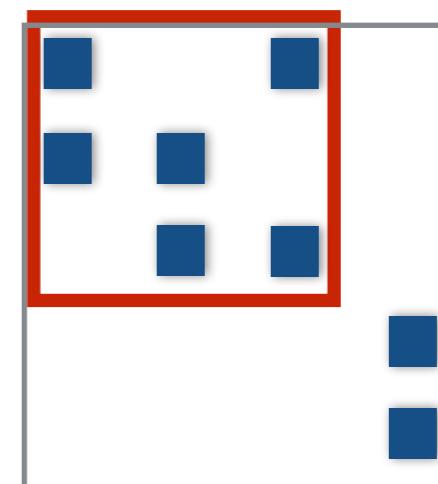
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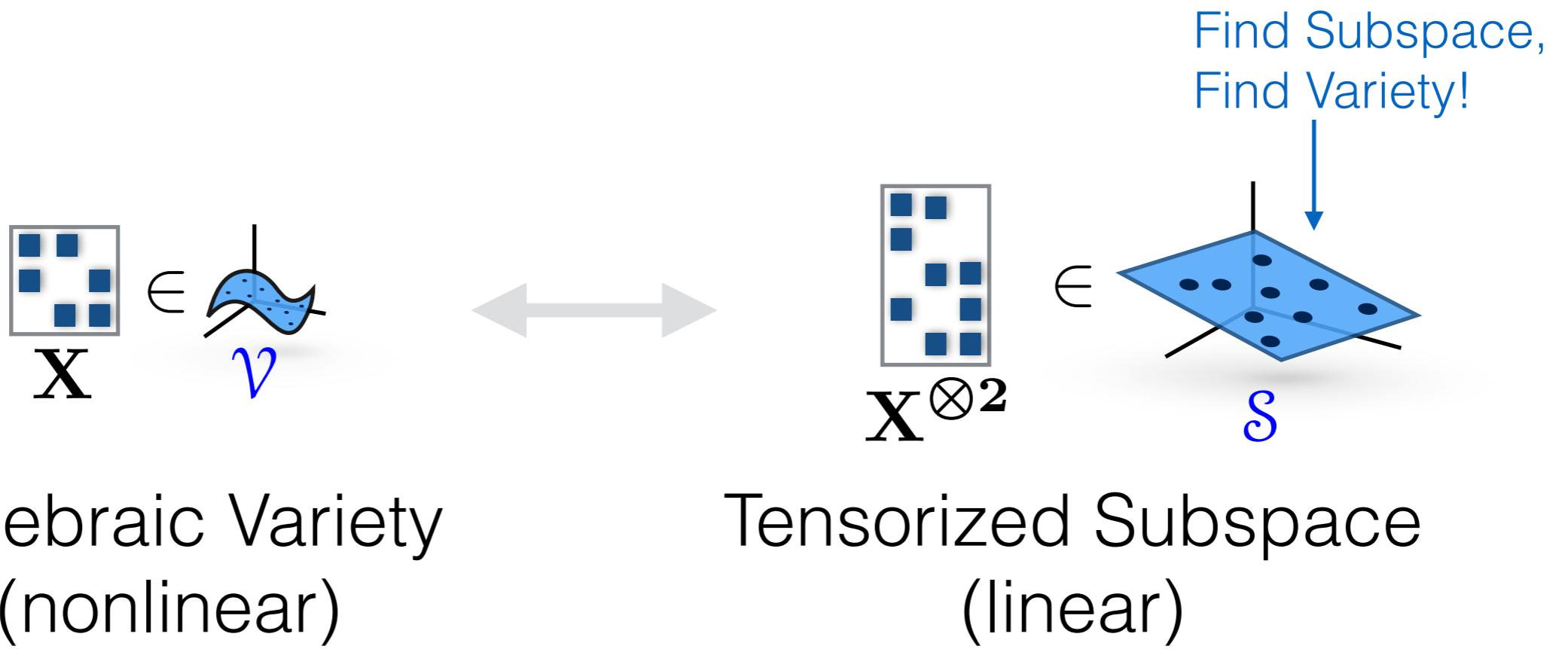
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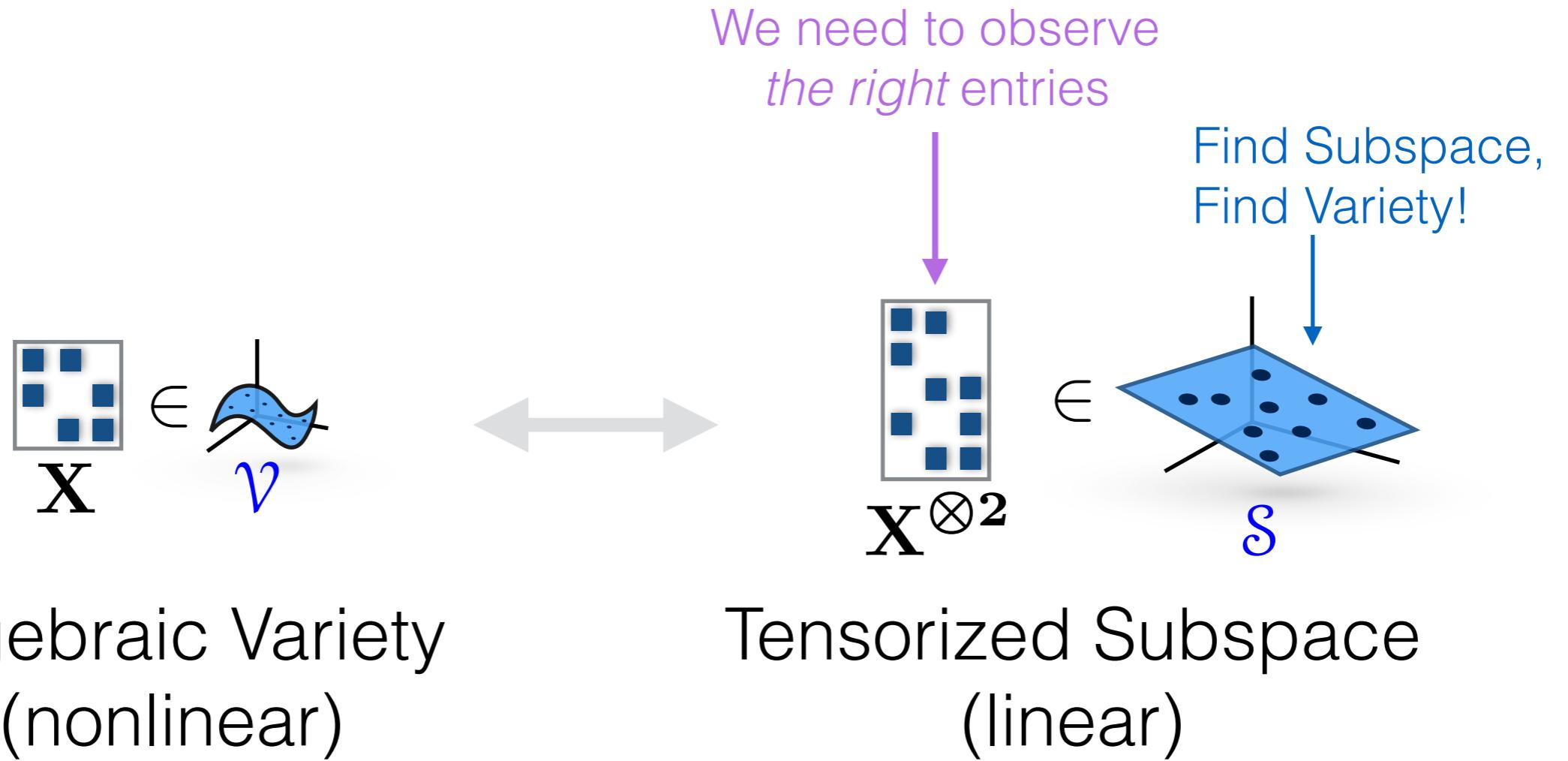


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Algebraic Variety
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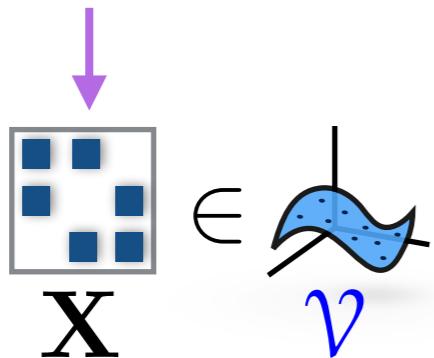
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Find Subspace,
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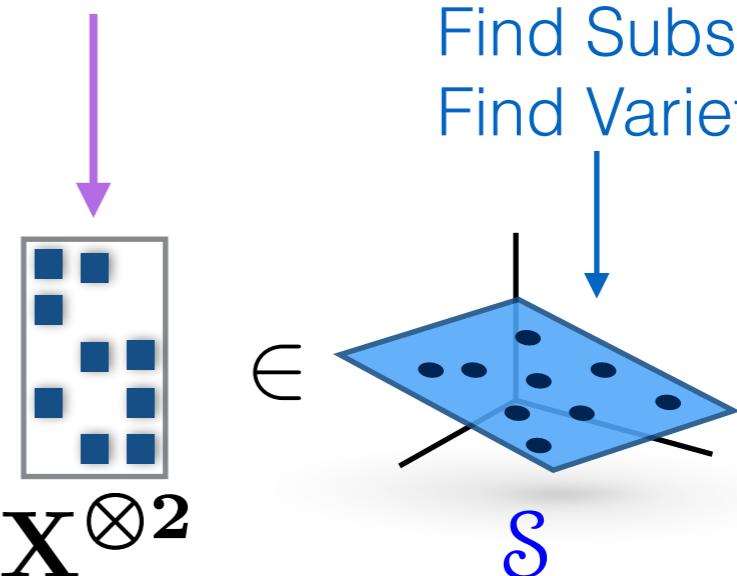
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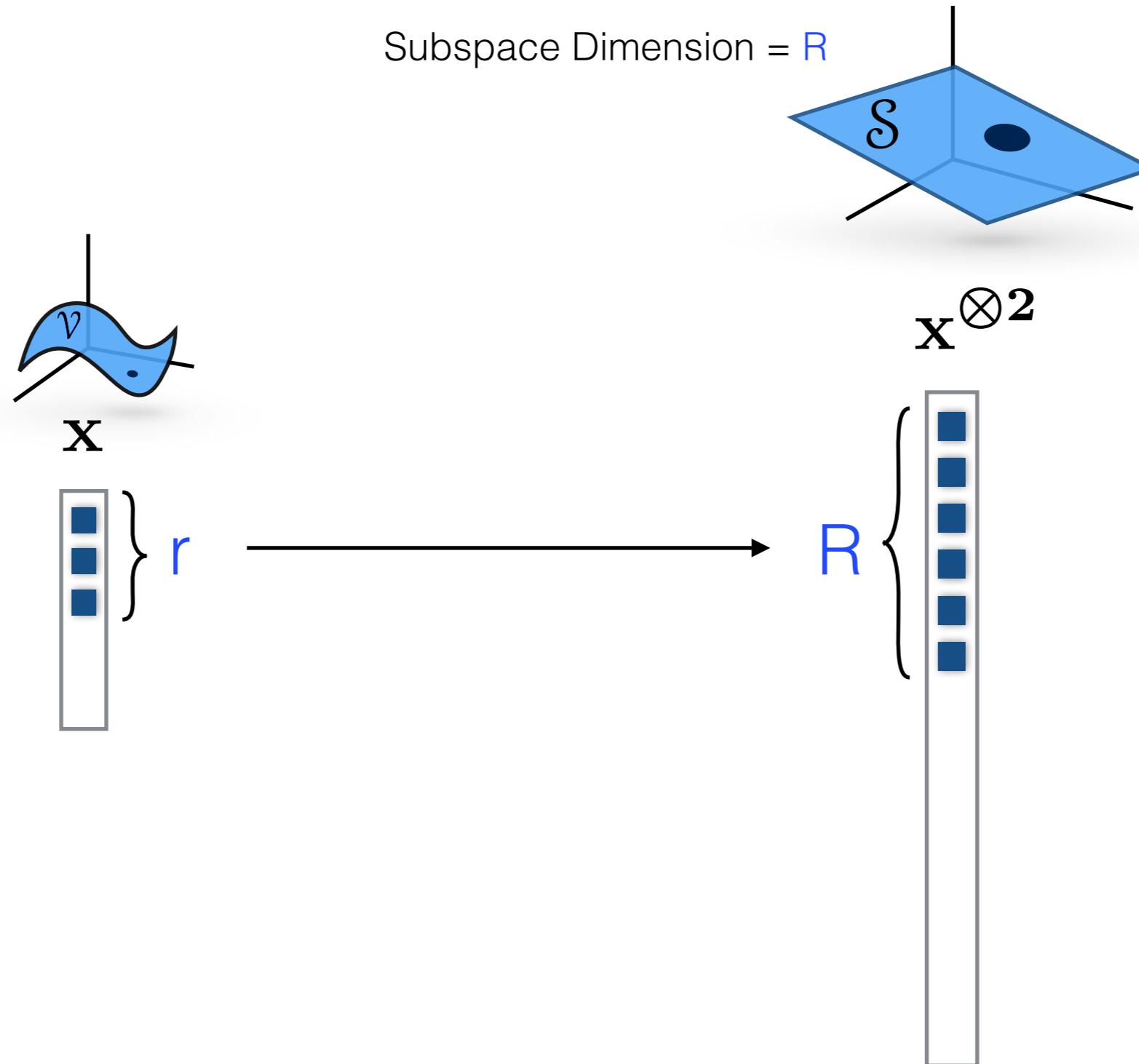
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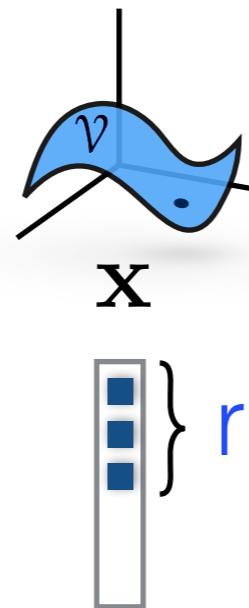
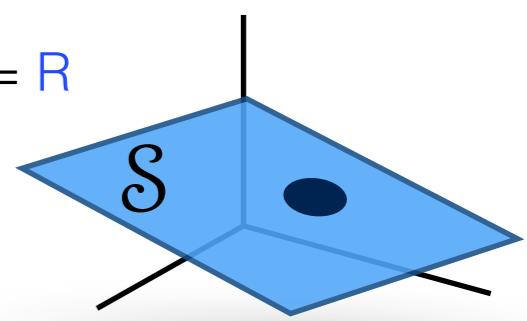
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Subspace Dimension = R



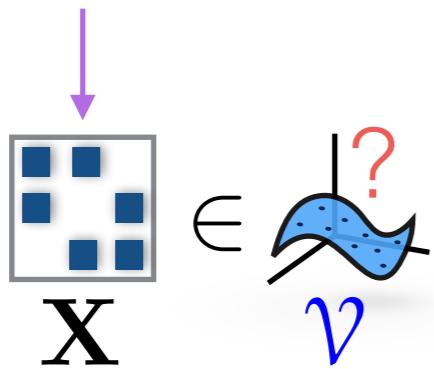
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Suppose V is in general position. Suppose each column x has m samples.

- (i) If $m < r$, then S cannot be uniquely determined.
- (ii) There are cases with $m = r$ and $m = r+1$ where S cannot be uniquely determined.
- (iii) If $m \geq r+2$, then S can be uniquely determined (if you observe *the right* entries).

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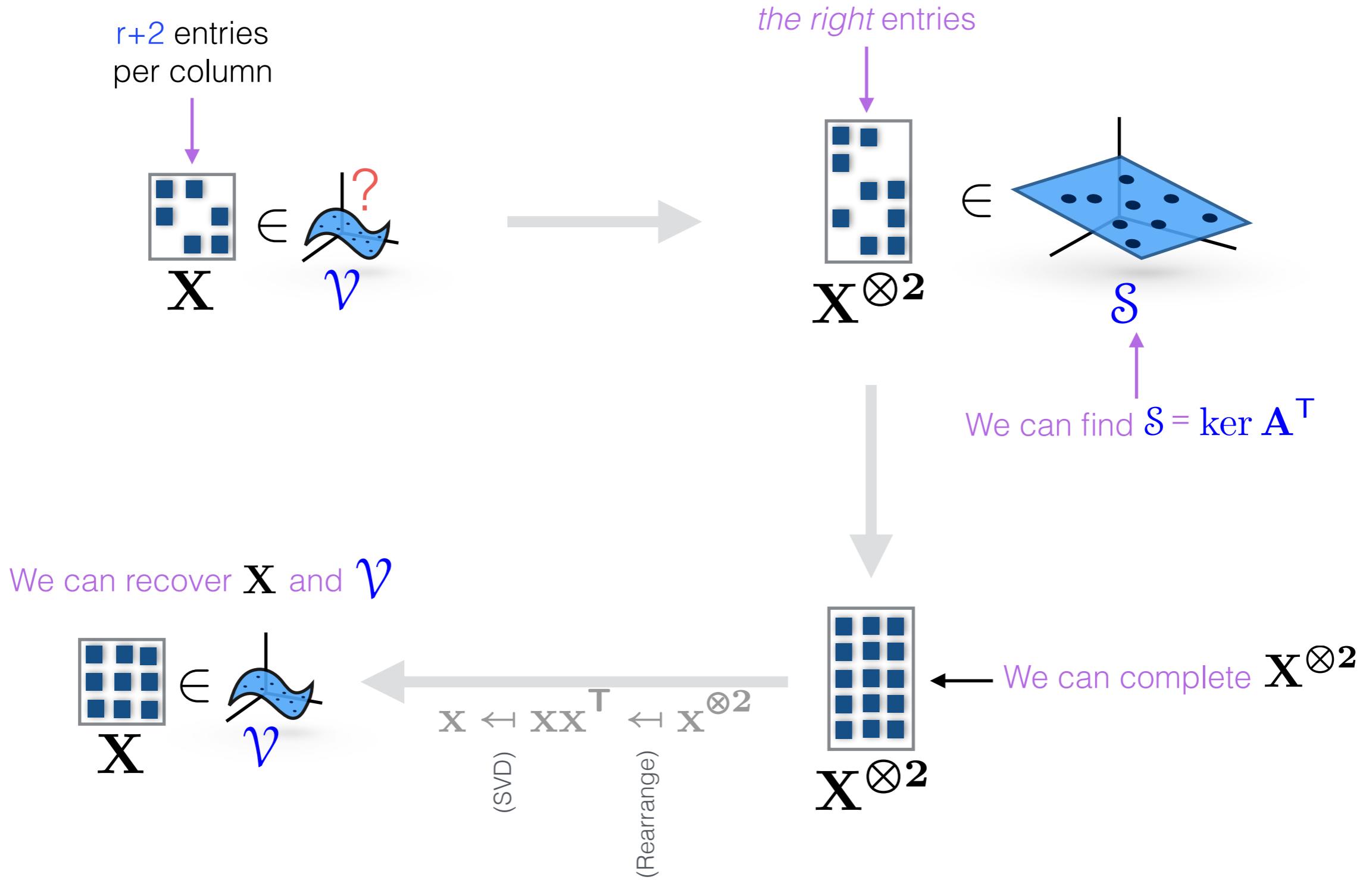
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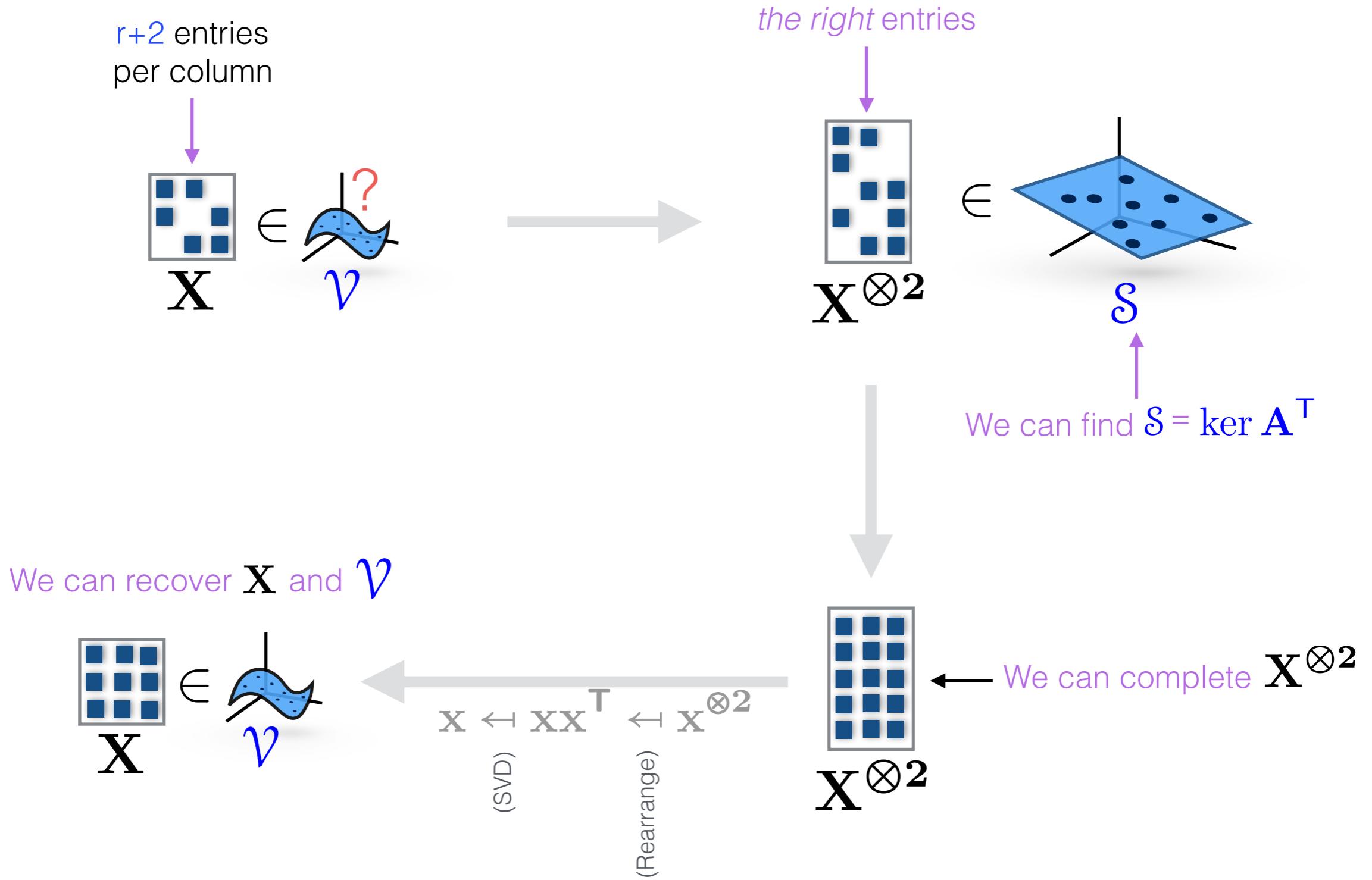
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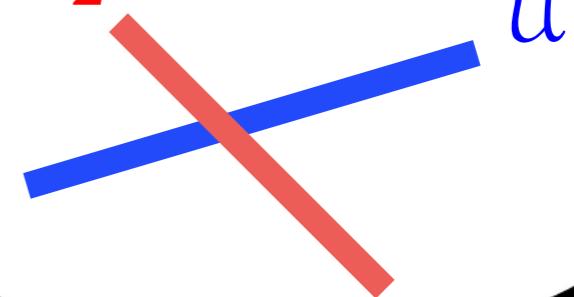




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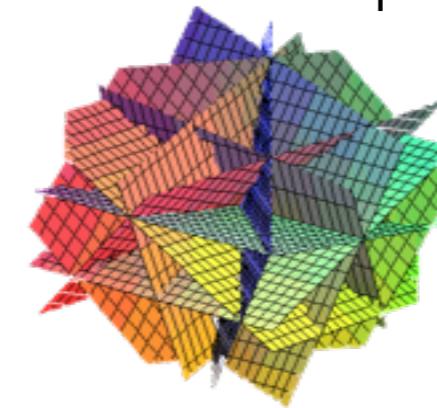
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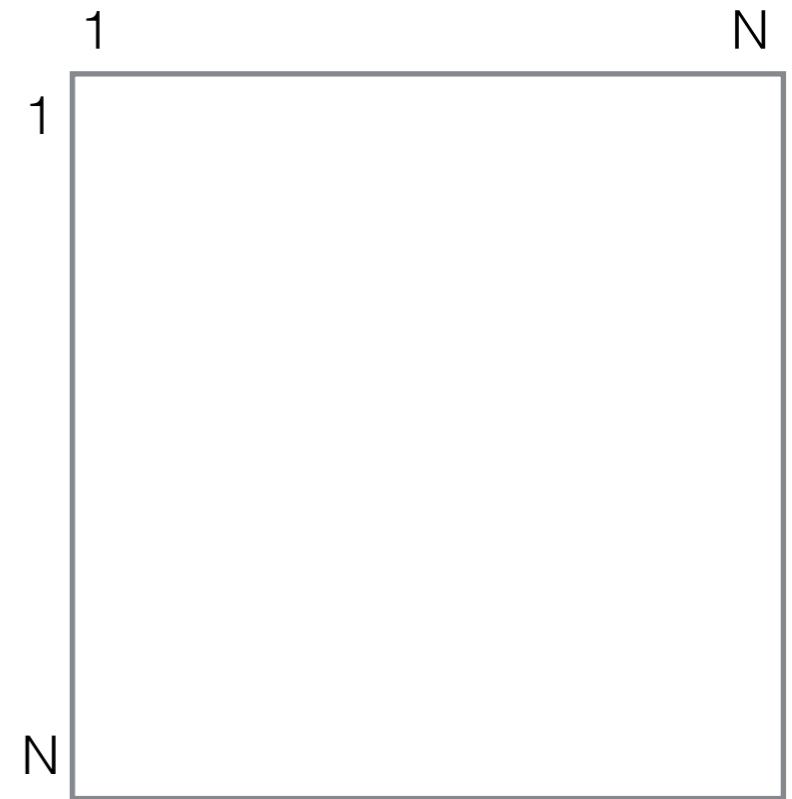
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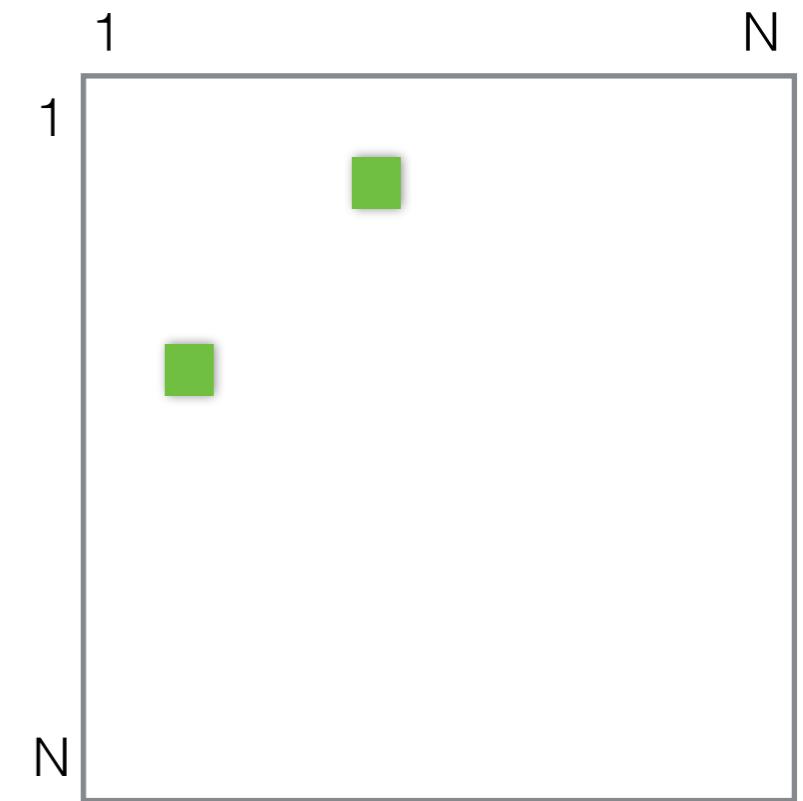
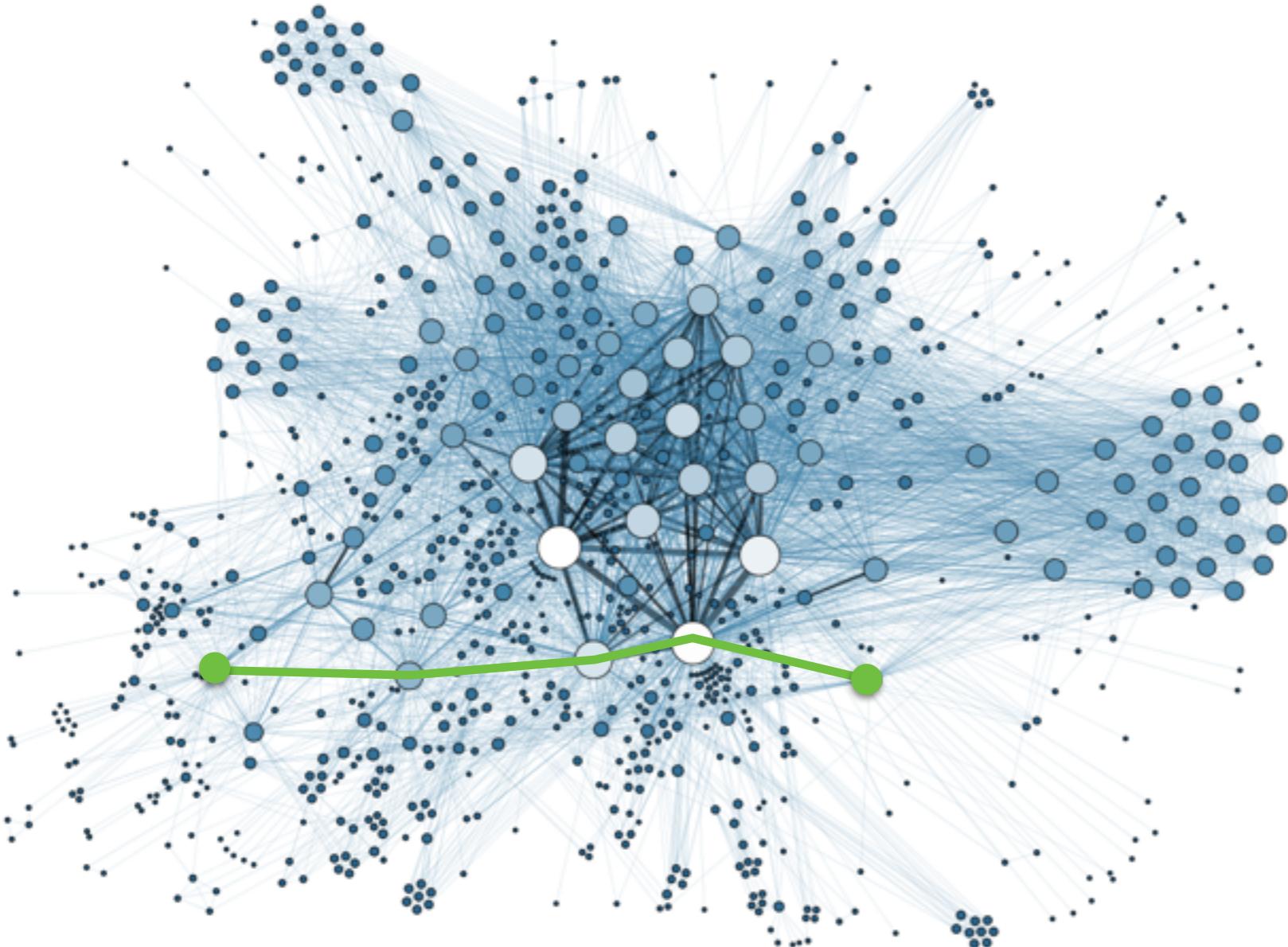
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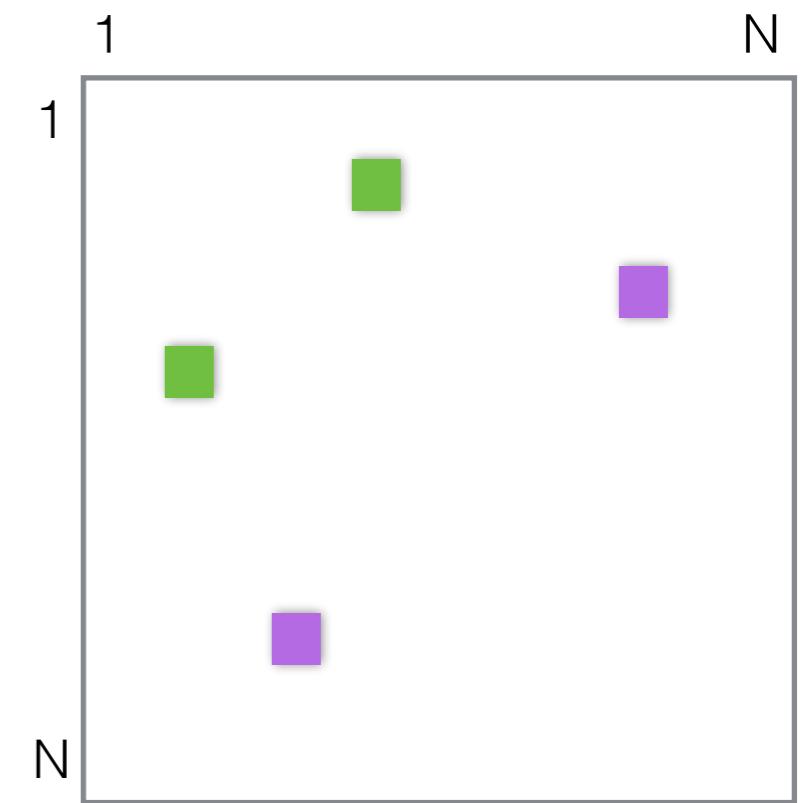
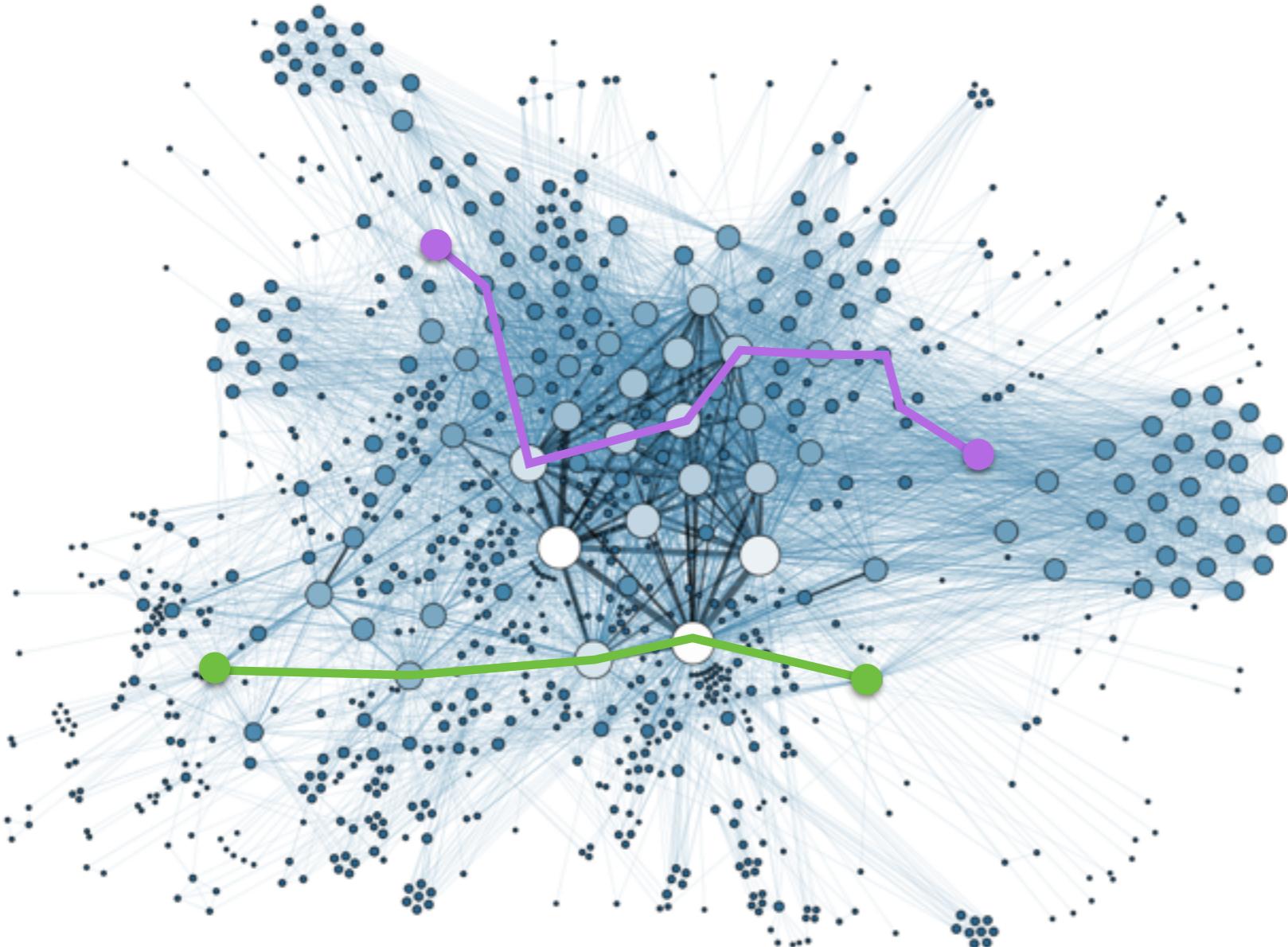
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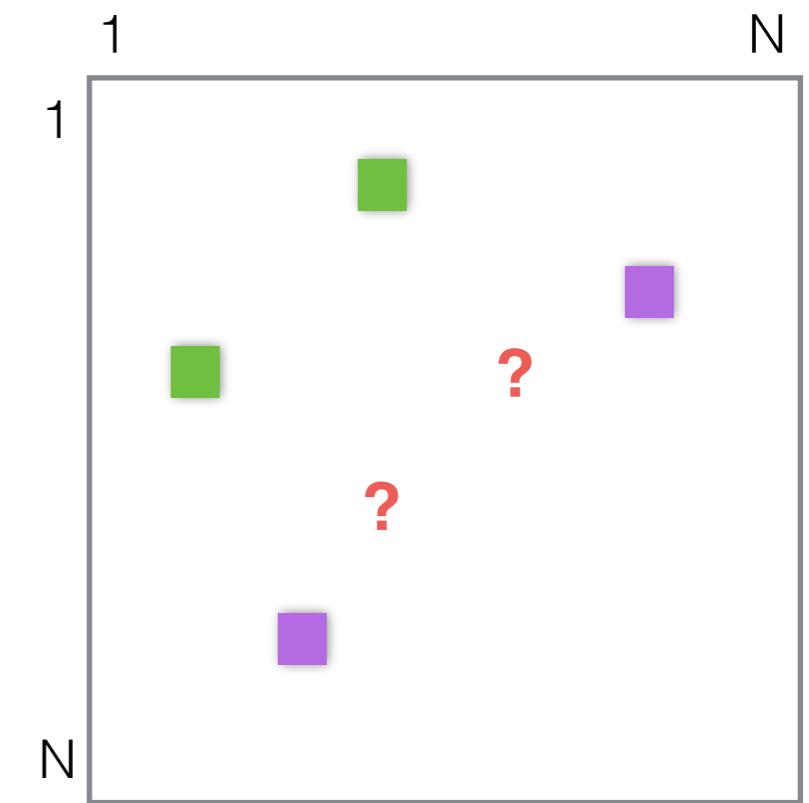
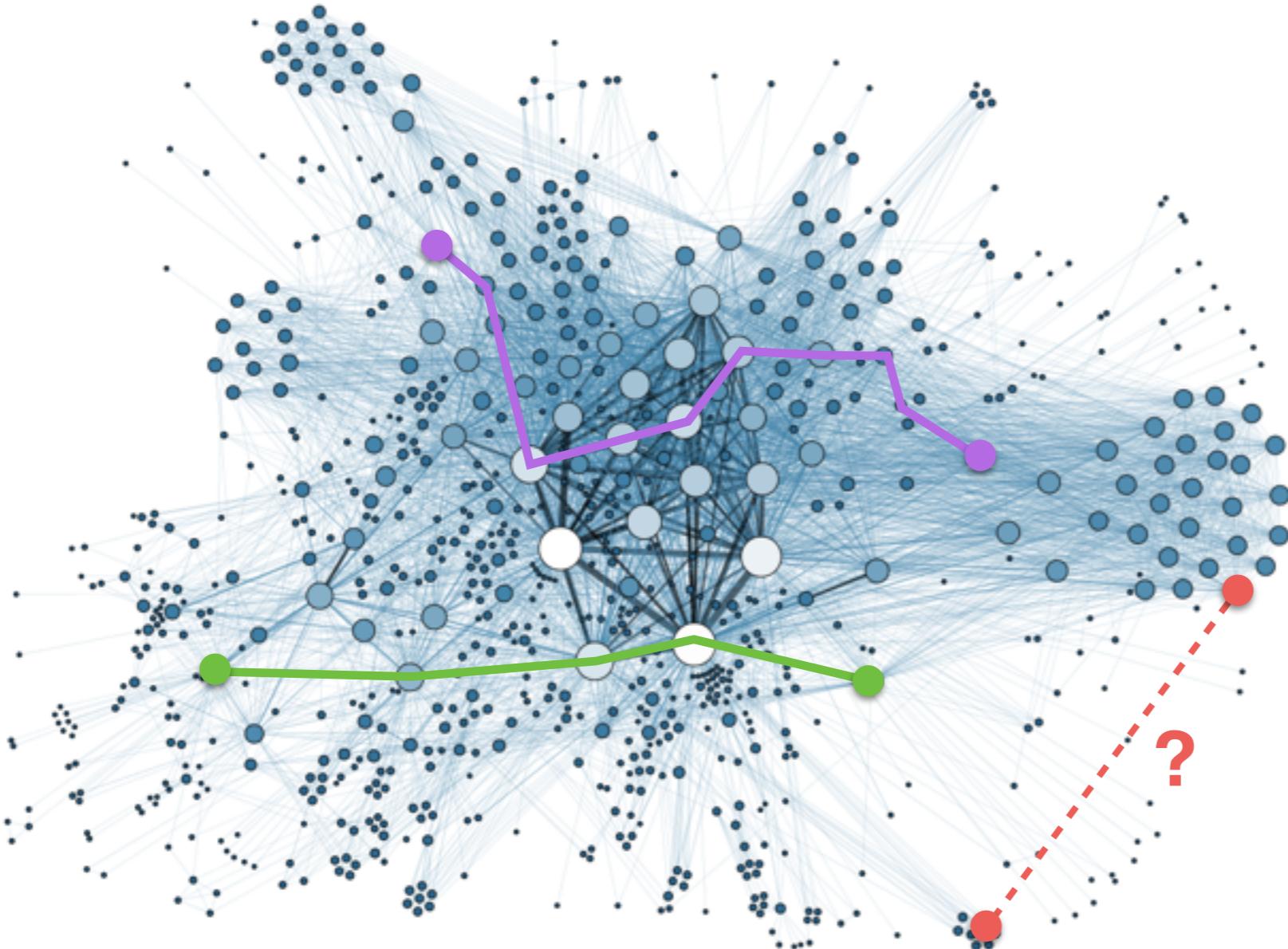
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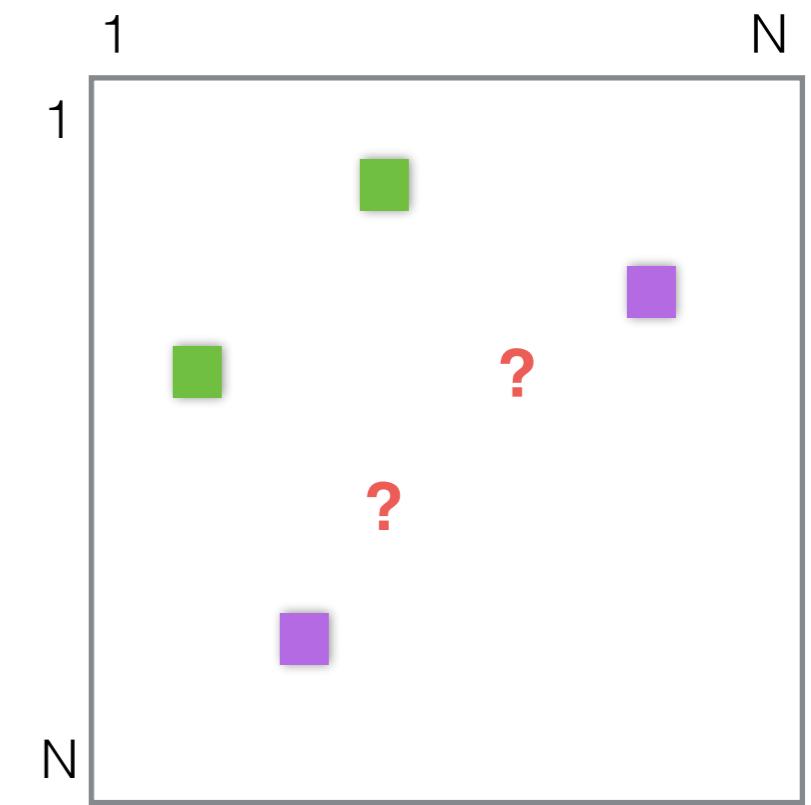
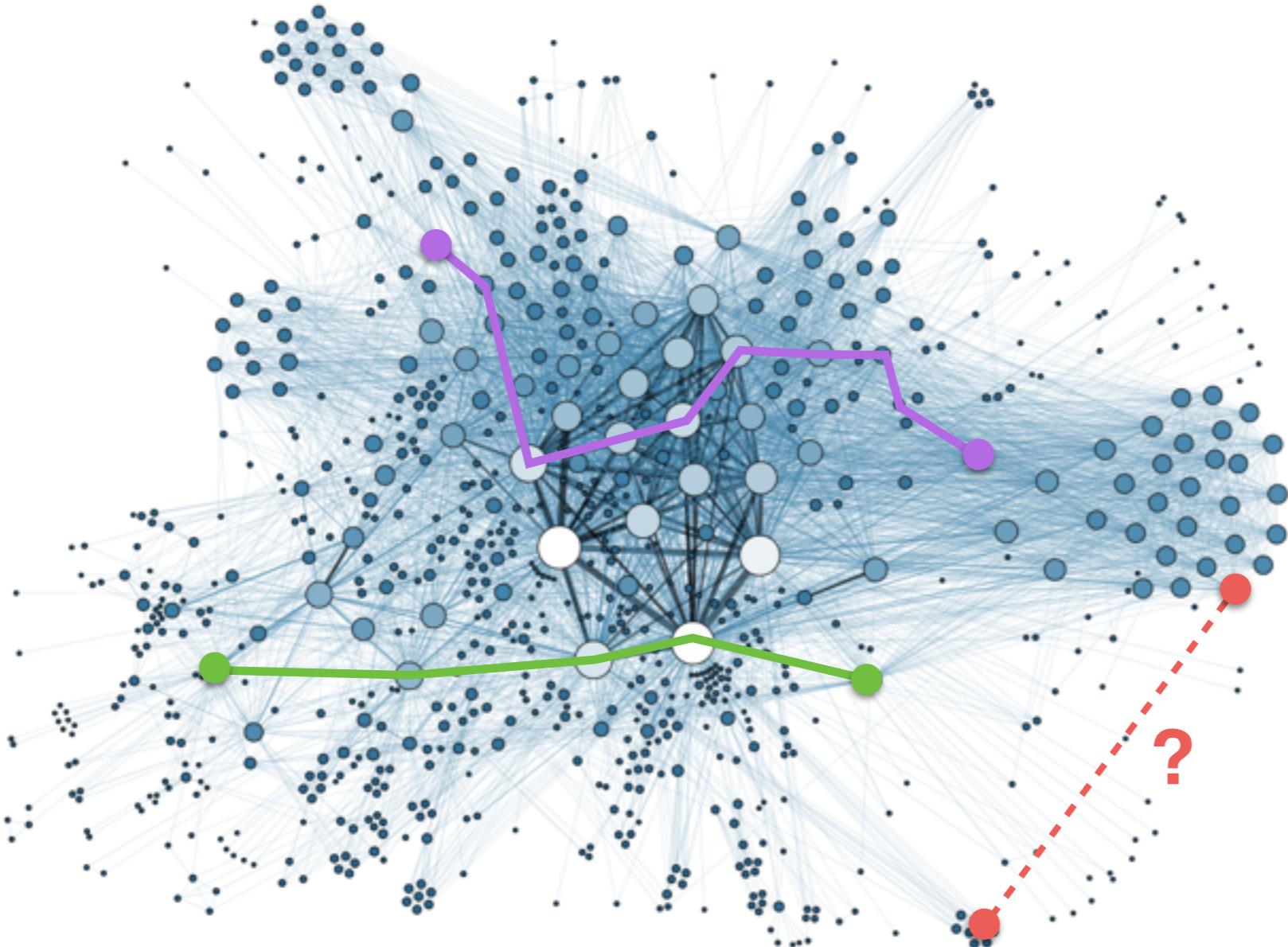
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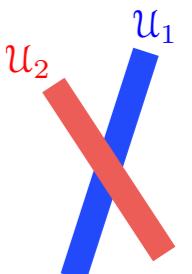


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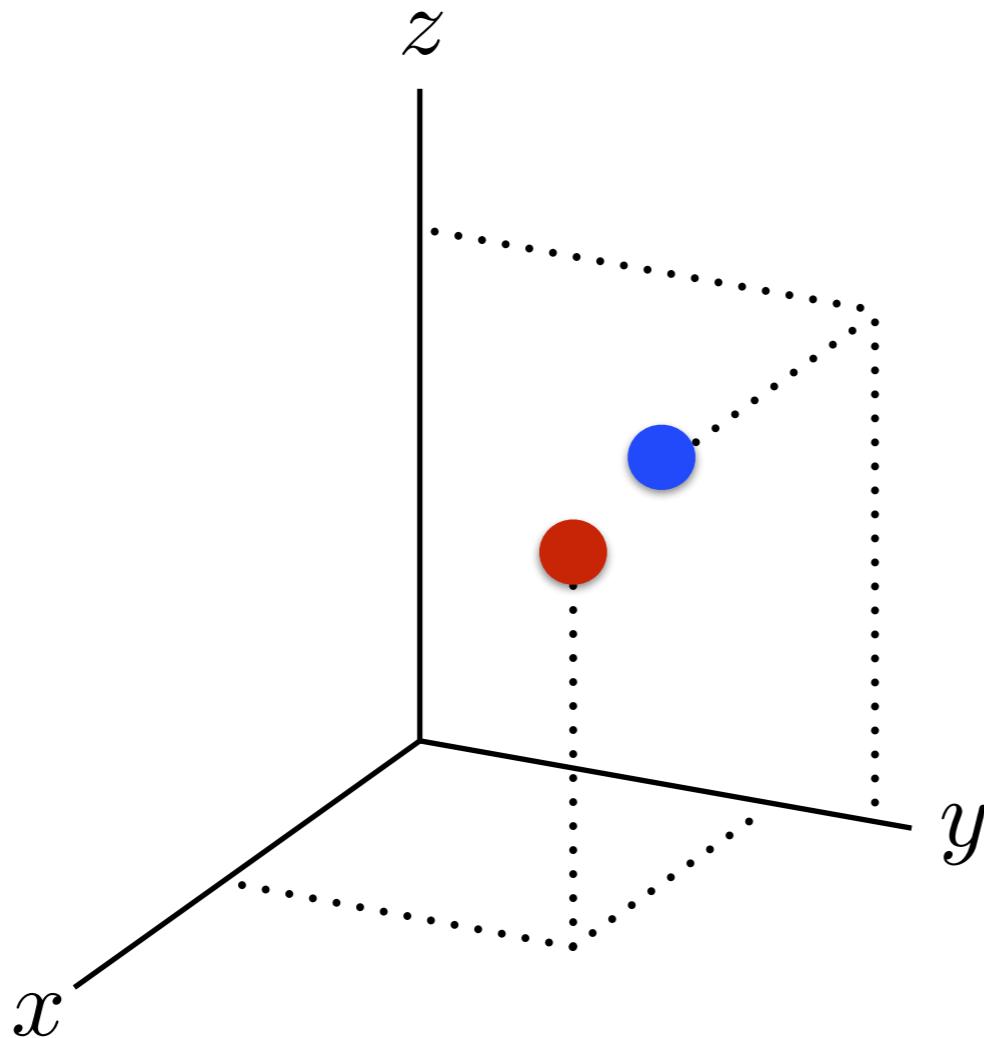


Columns lie in a
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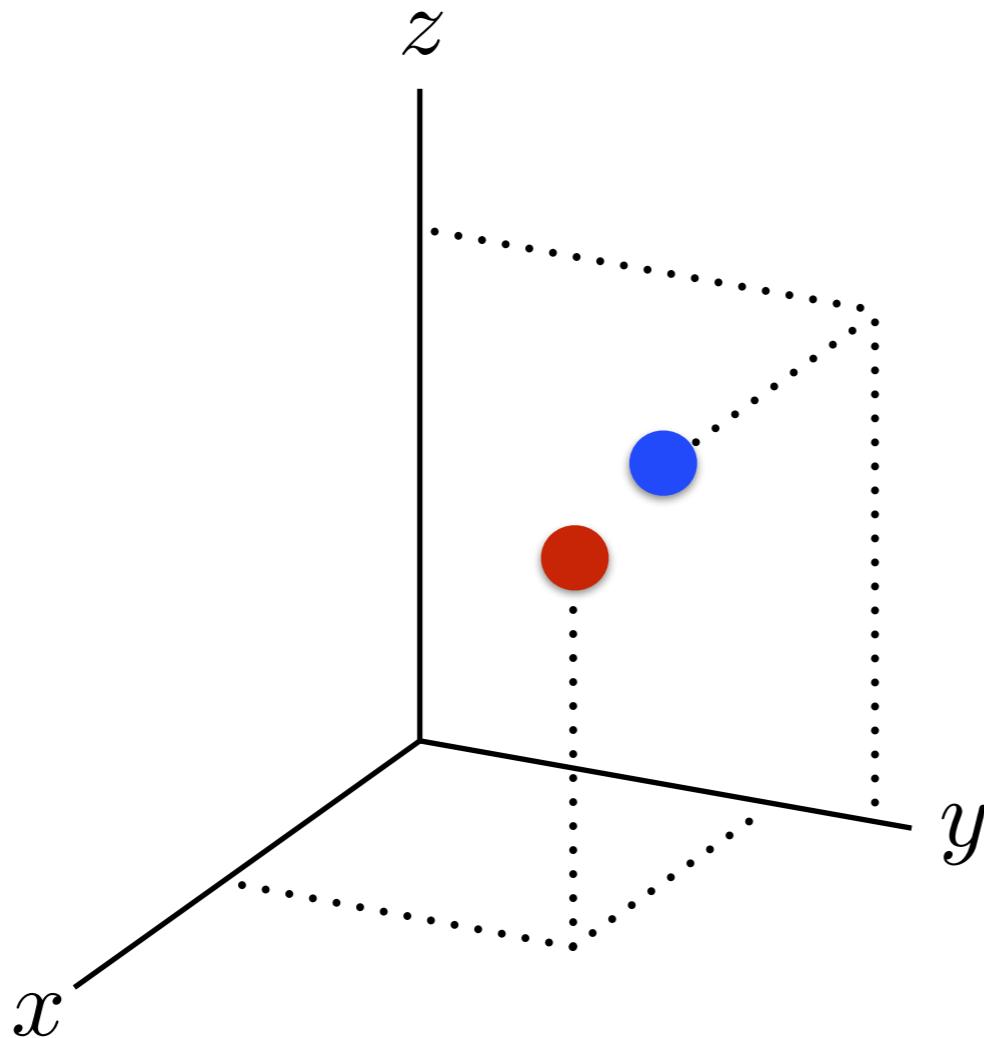
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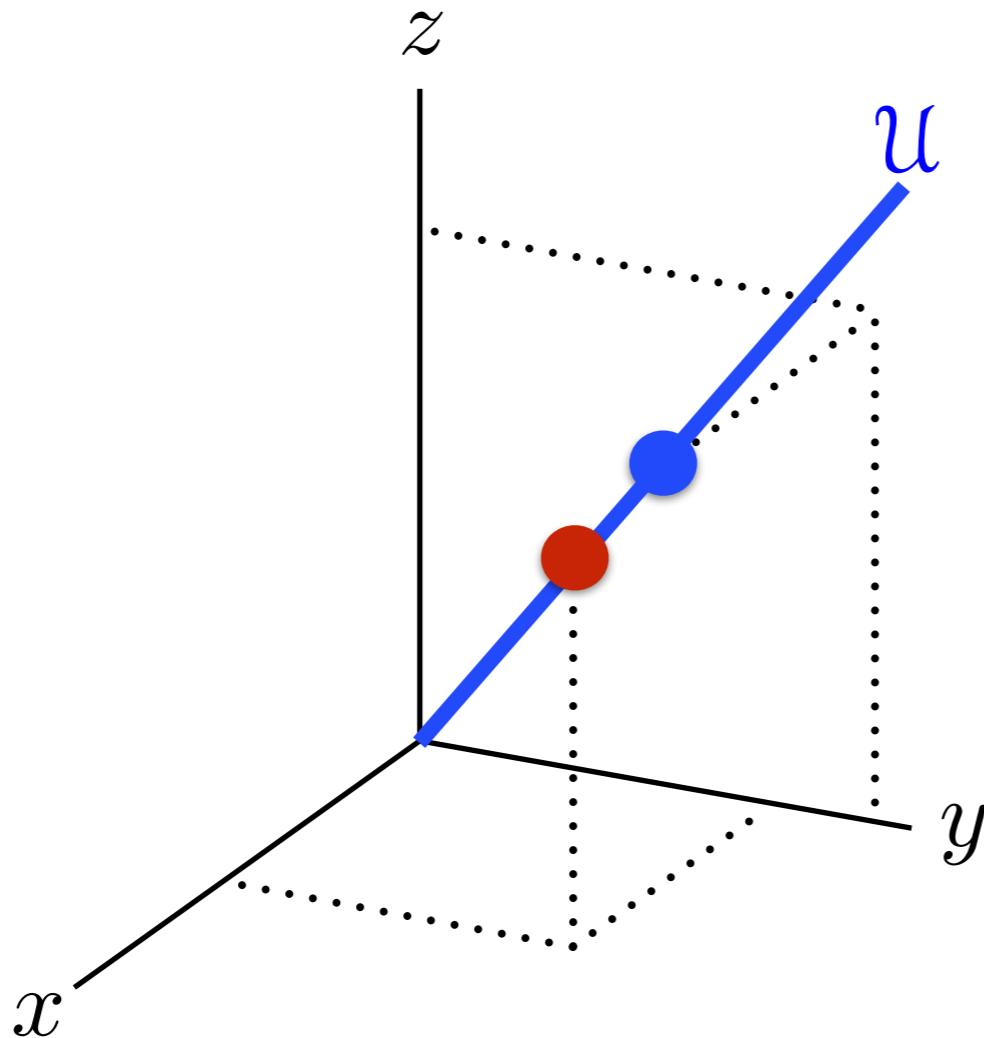
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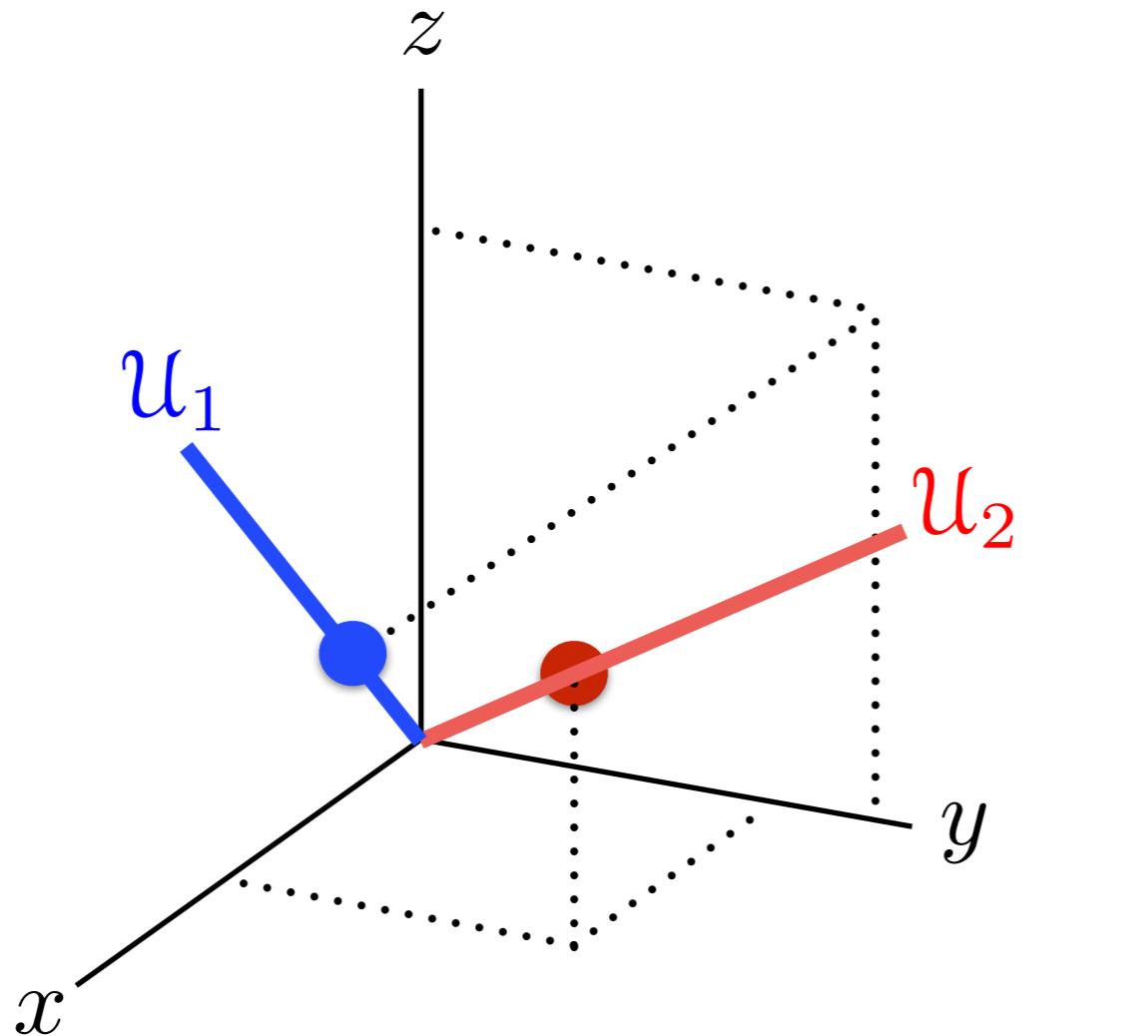
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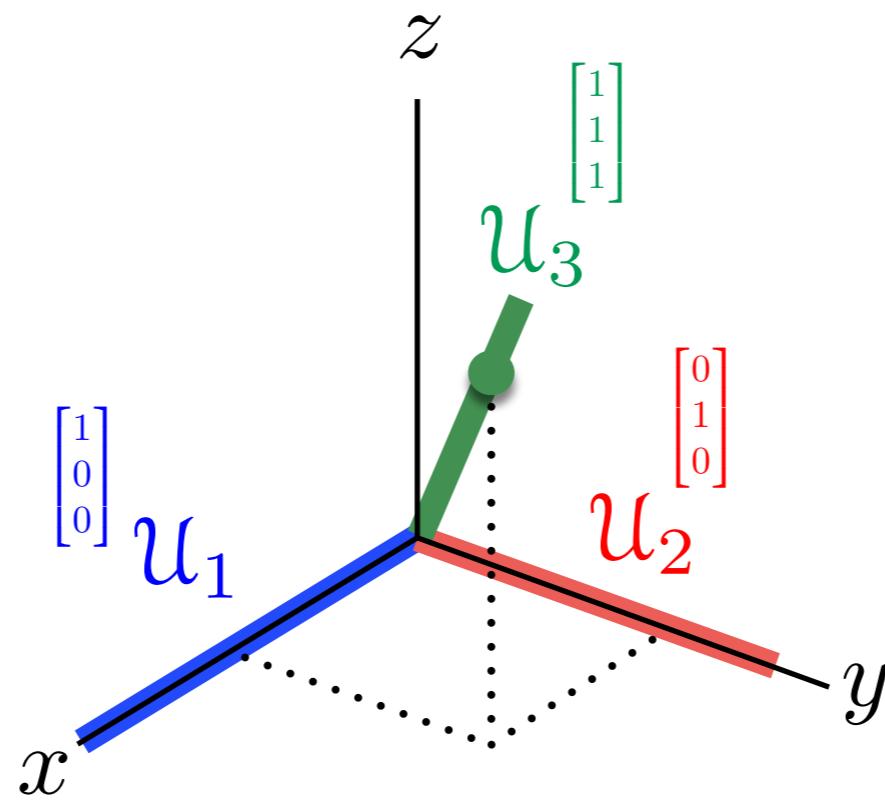
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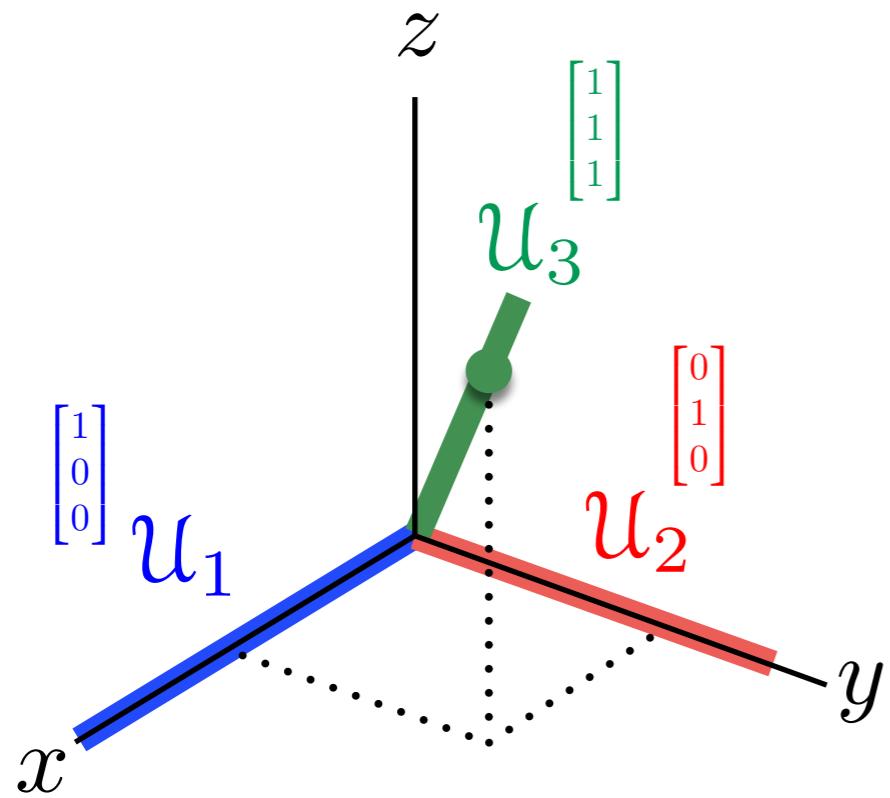
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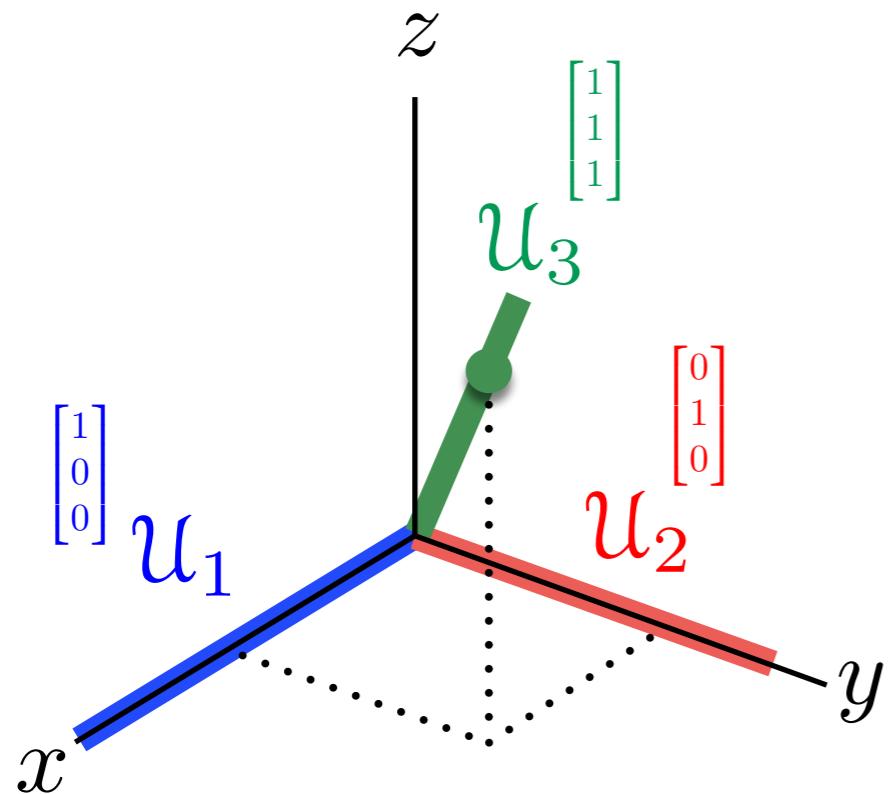


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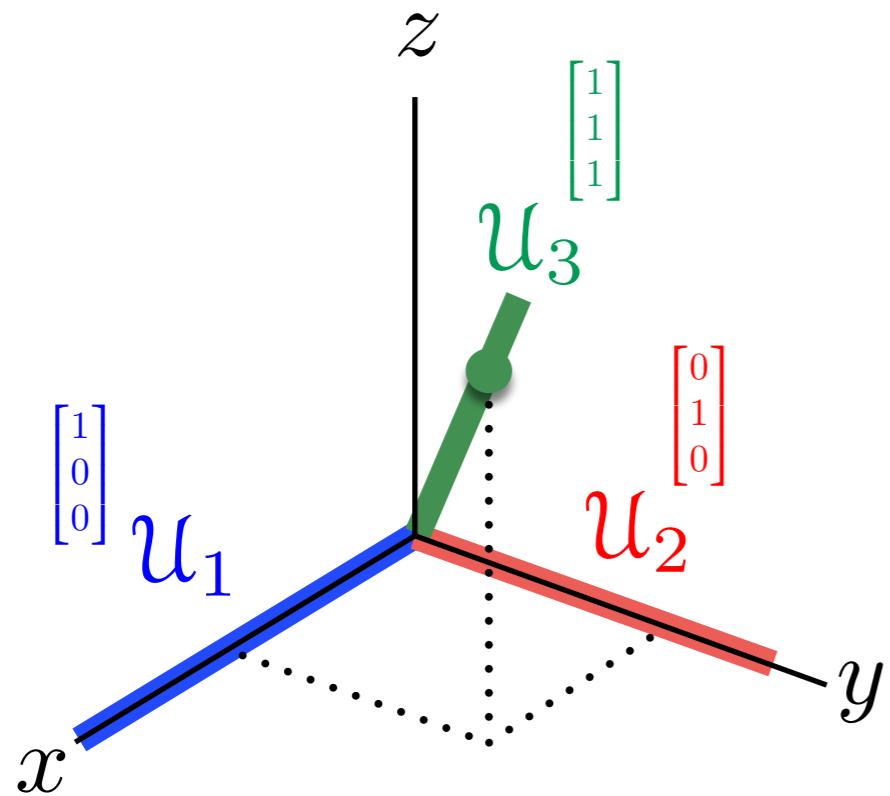
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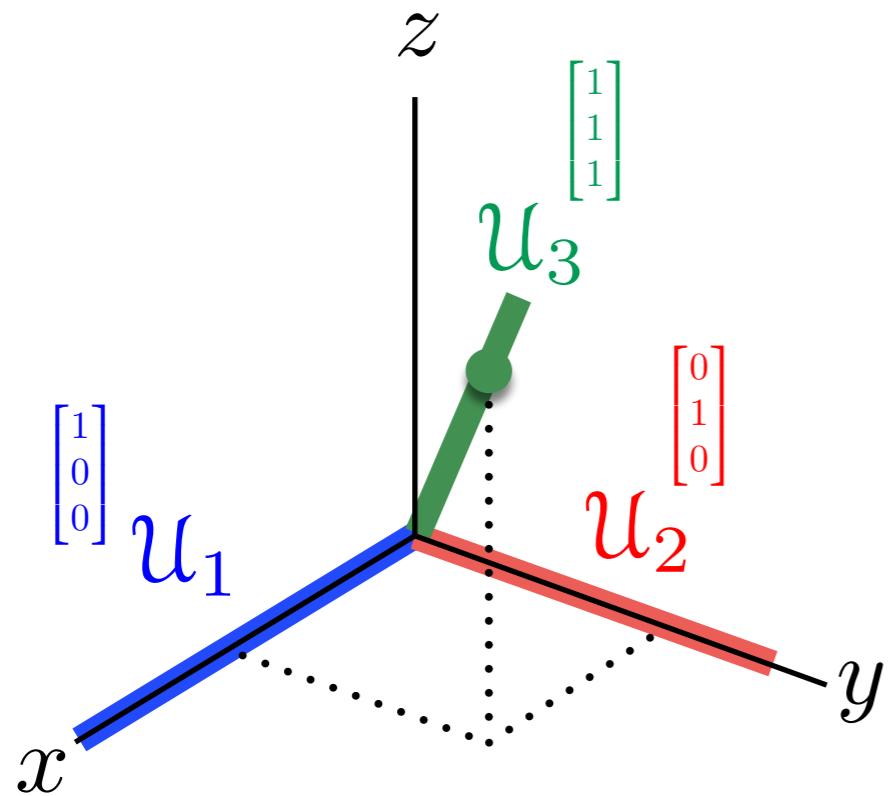
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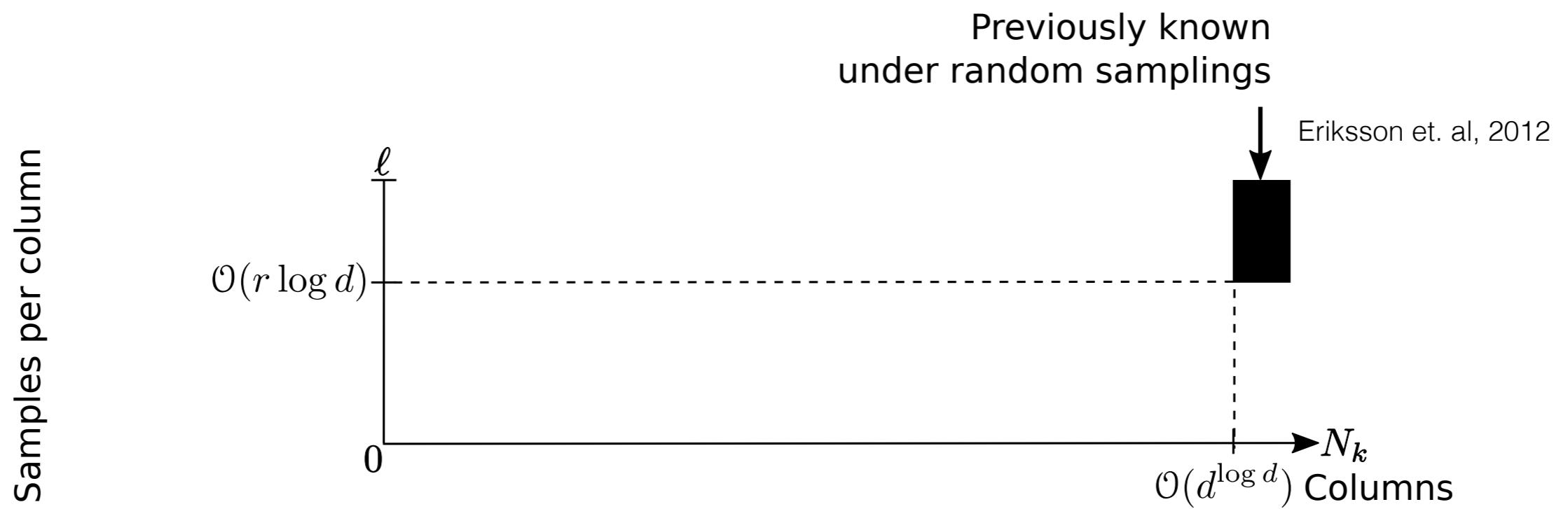


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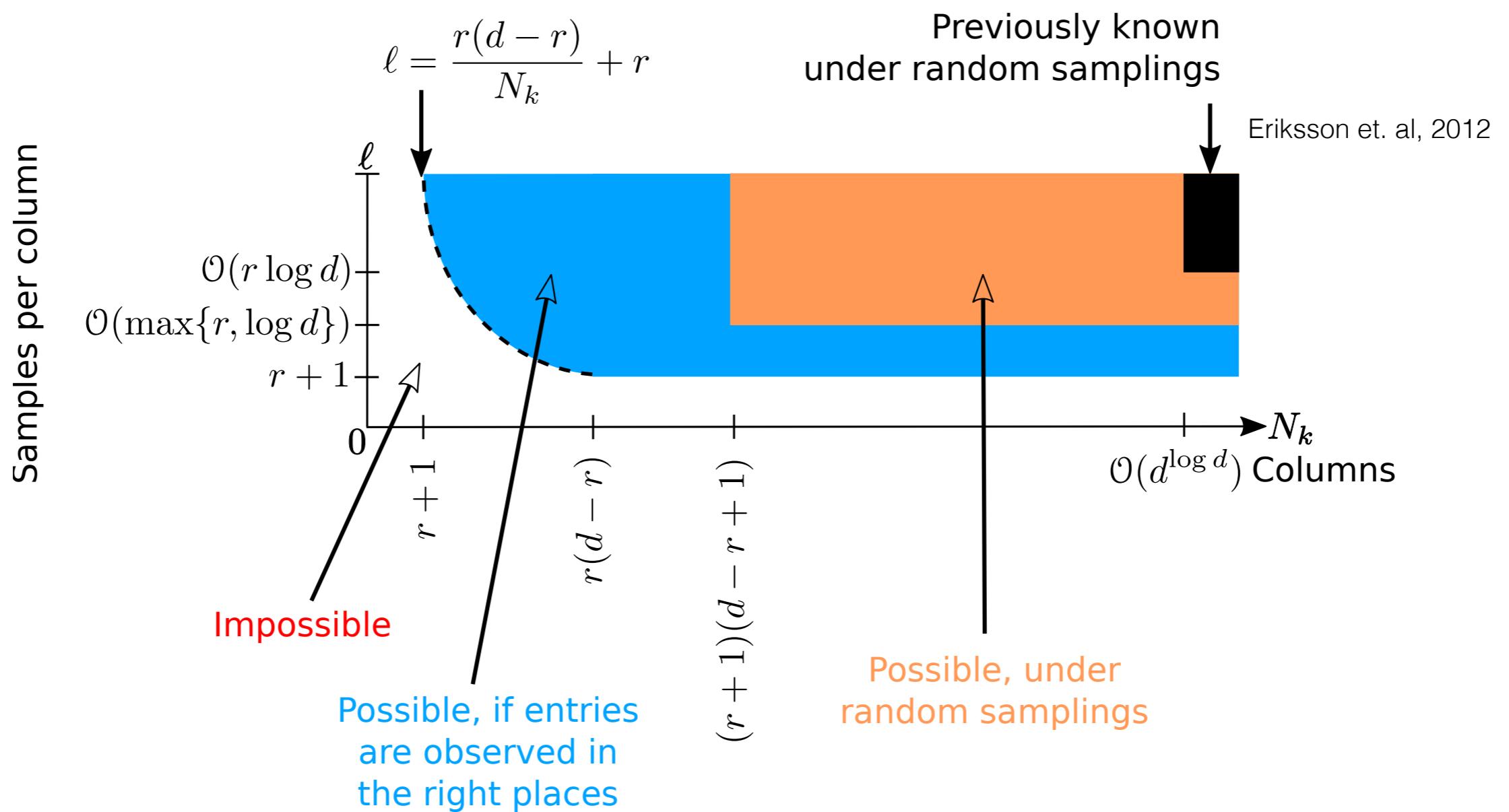
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So we can use our theory!

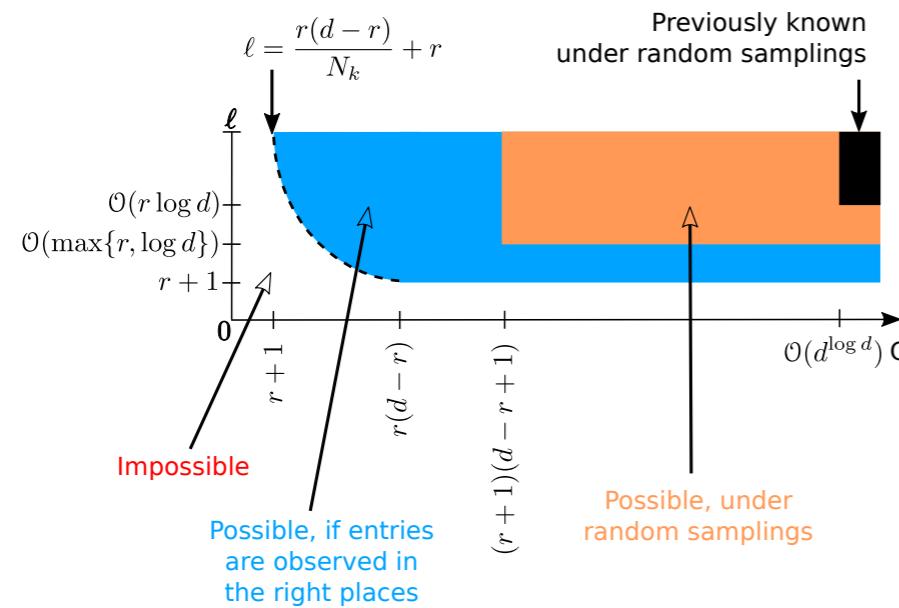


Information-theoretic requirements

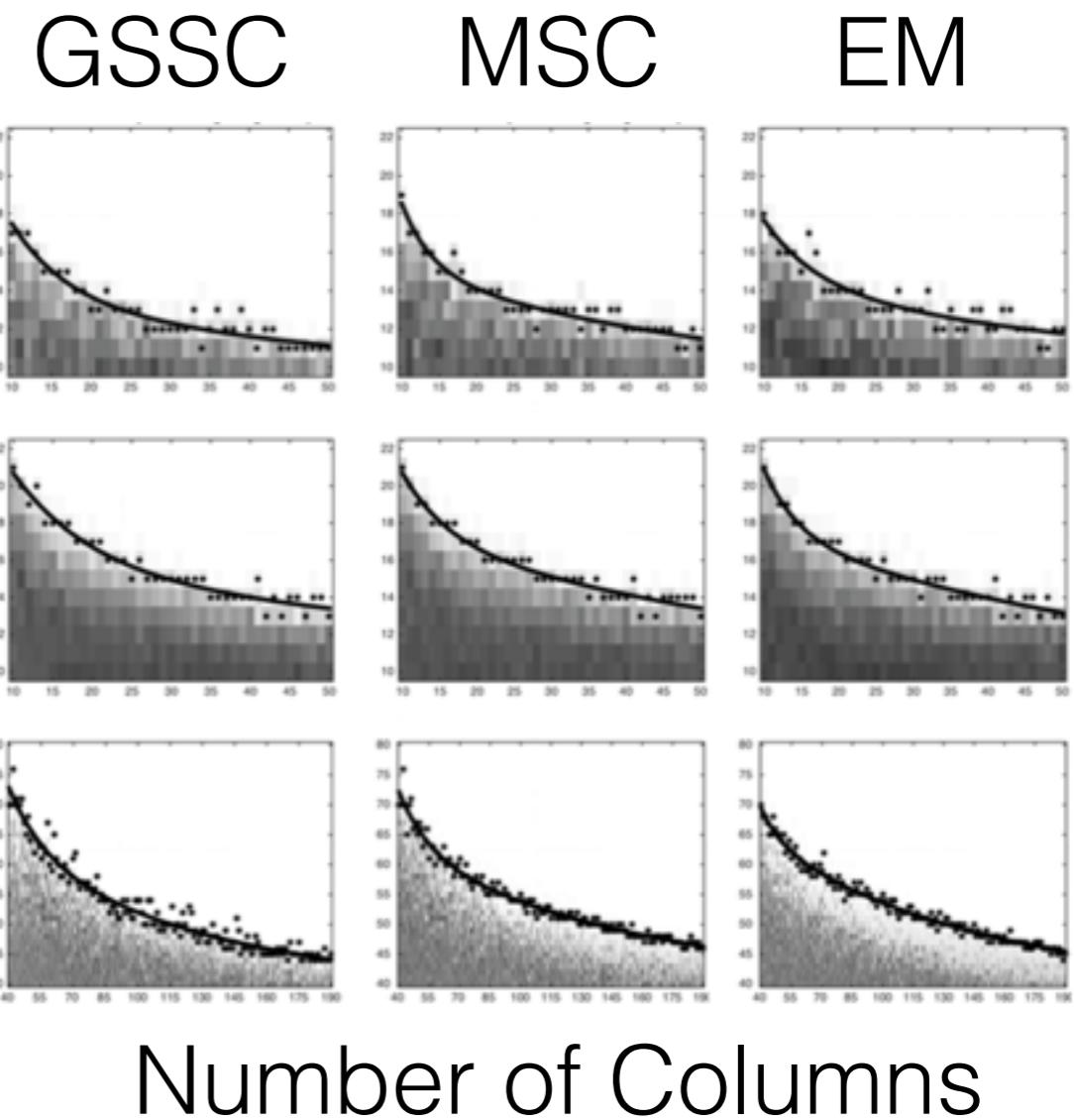


Information-theoretic requirements

[4] Pimentel et. al, 2016



Samples per Column



Theory matches Practice

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You begin
to convince
me...**



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(Tough crowd!)



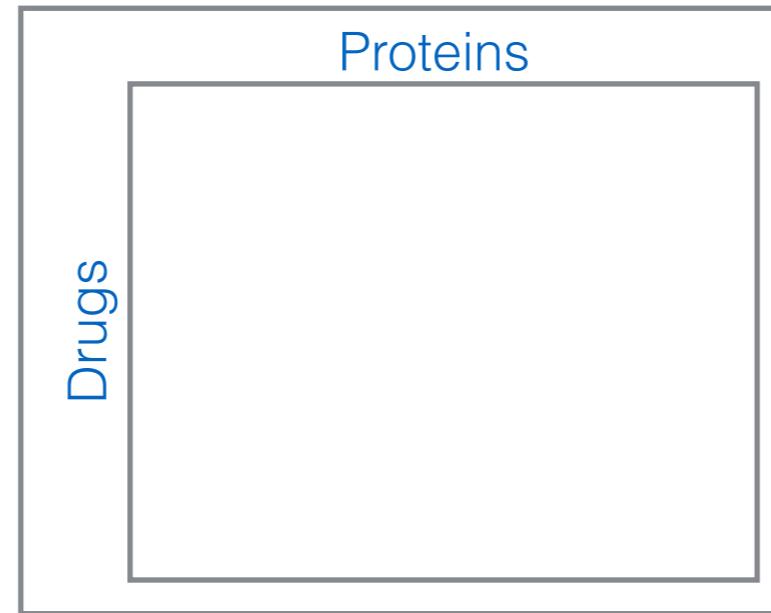
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Here are other
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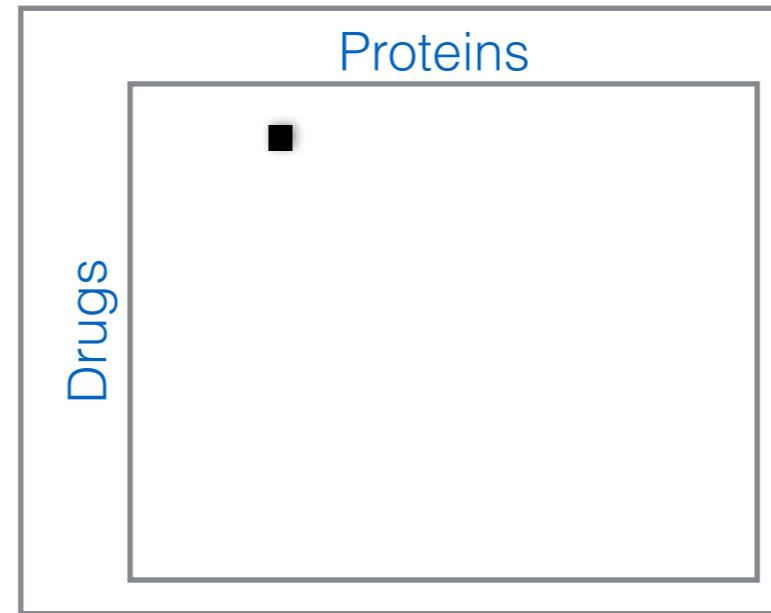




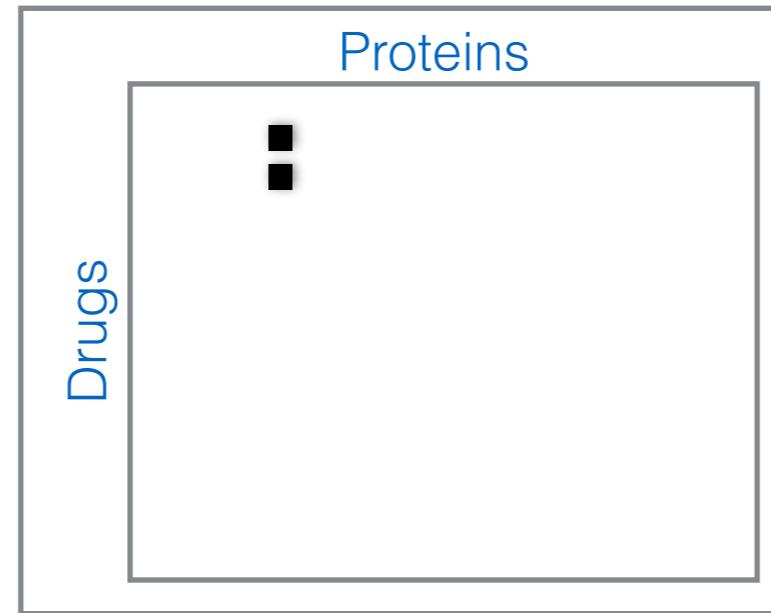
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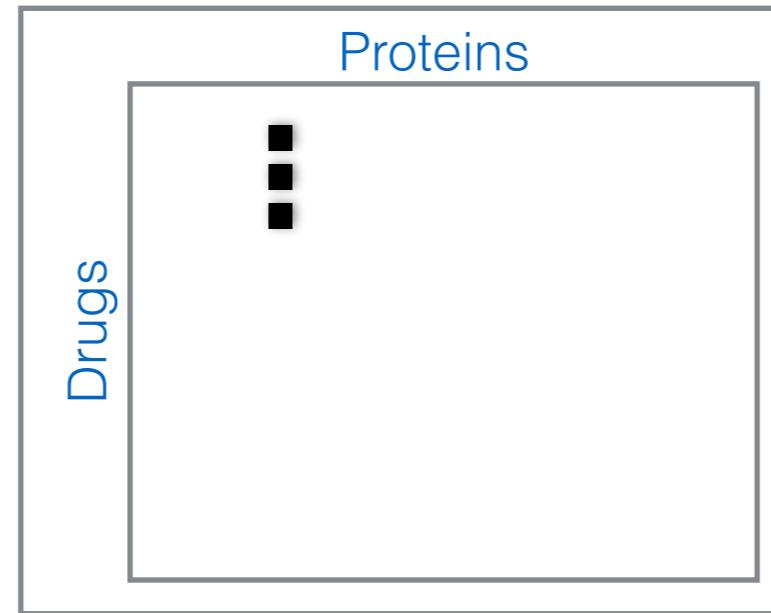
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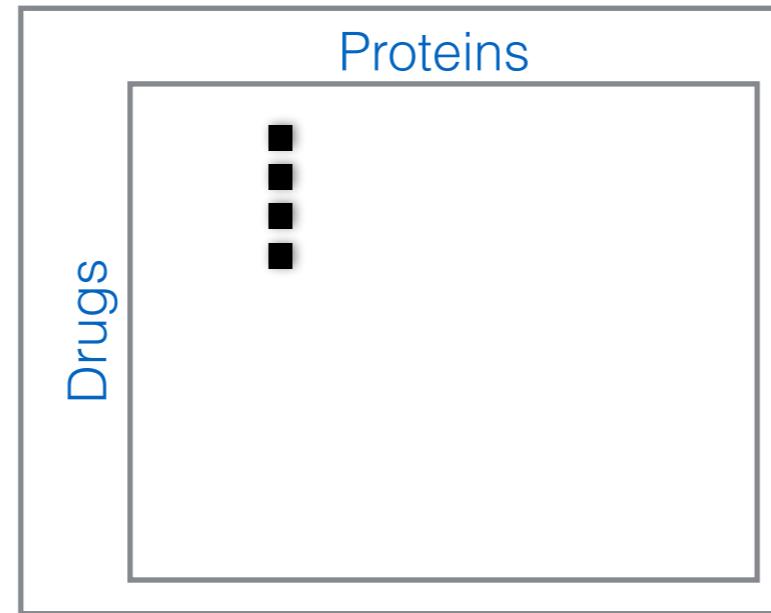
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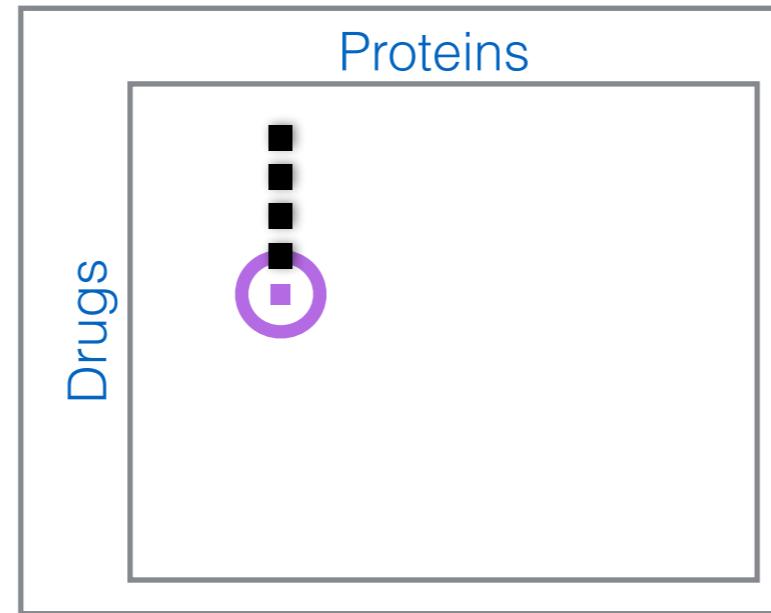
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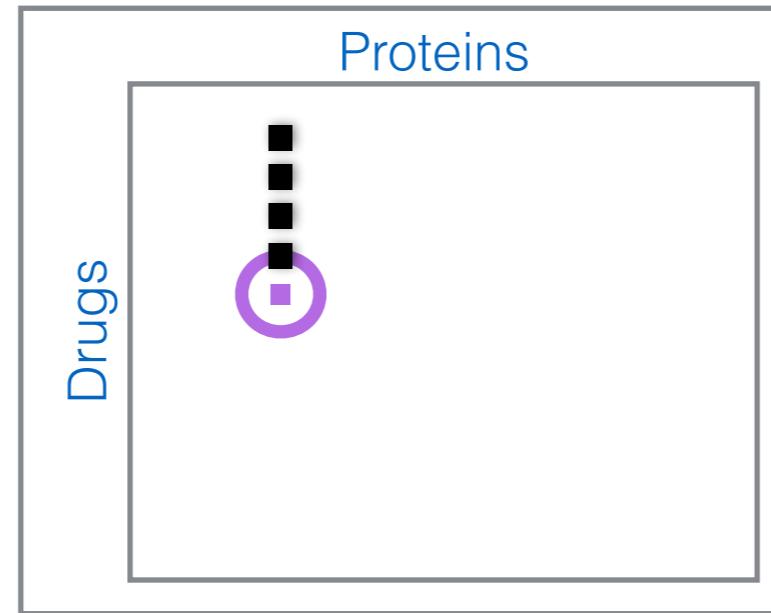
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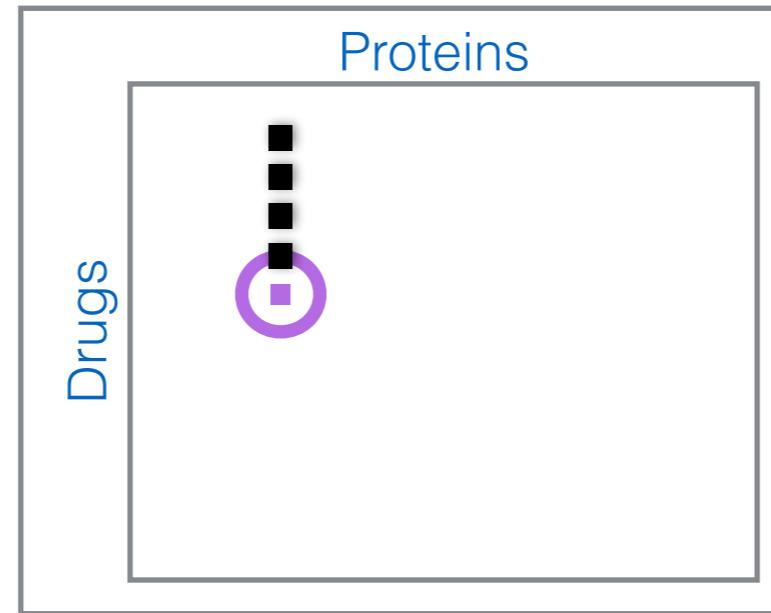
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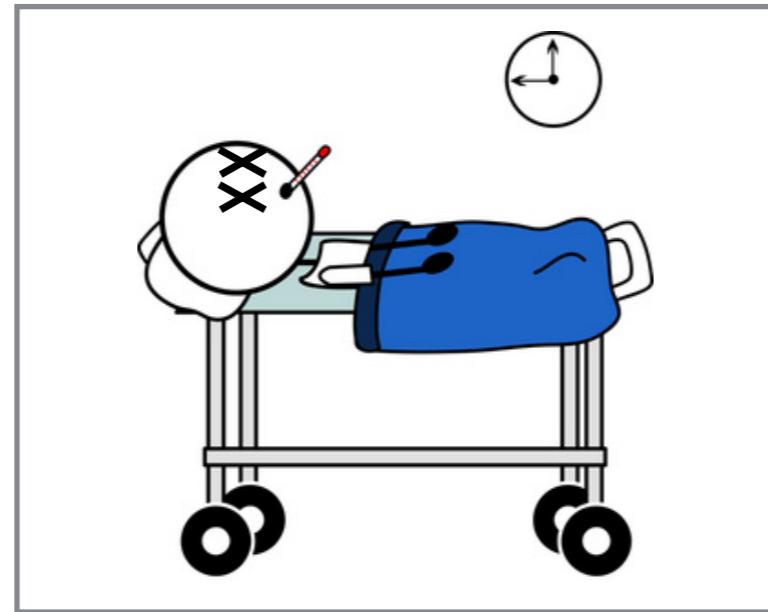
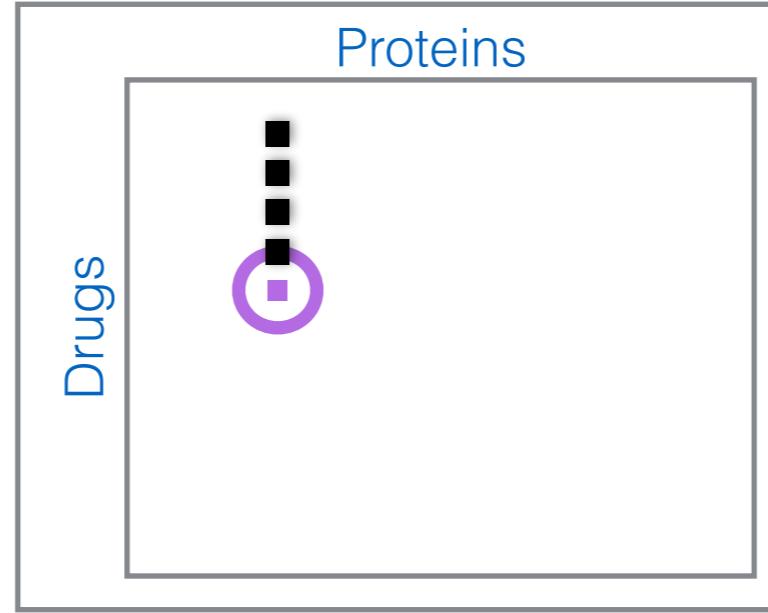
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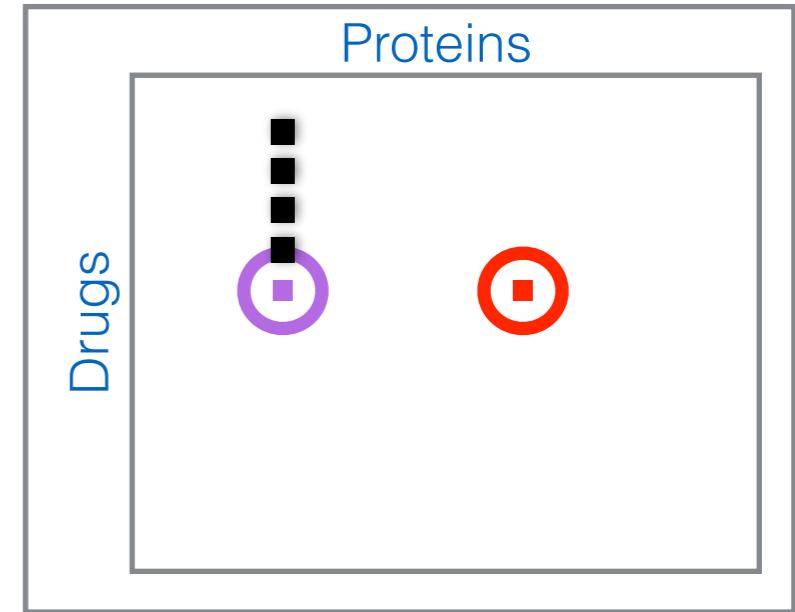
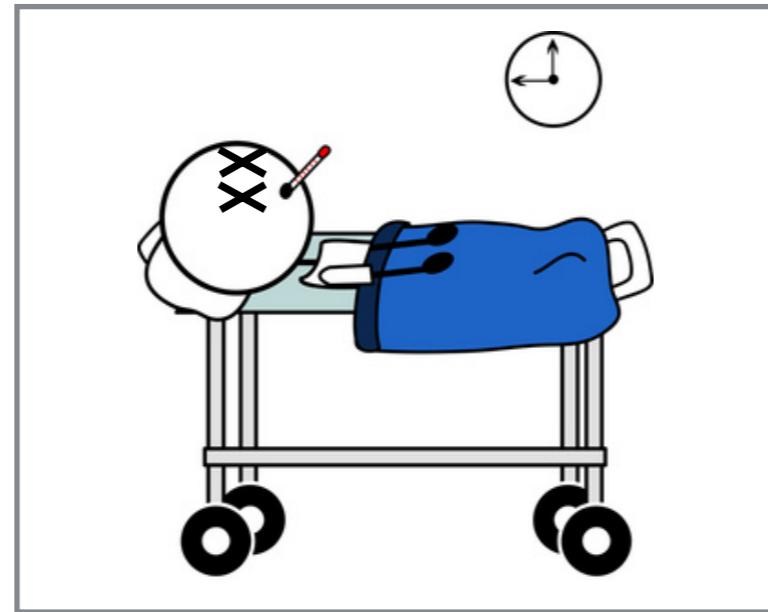
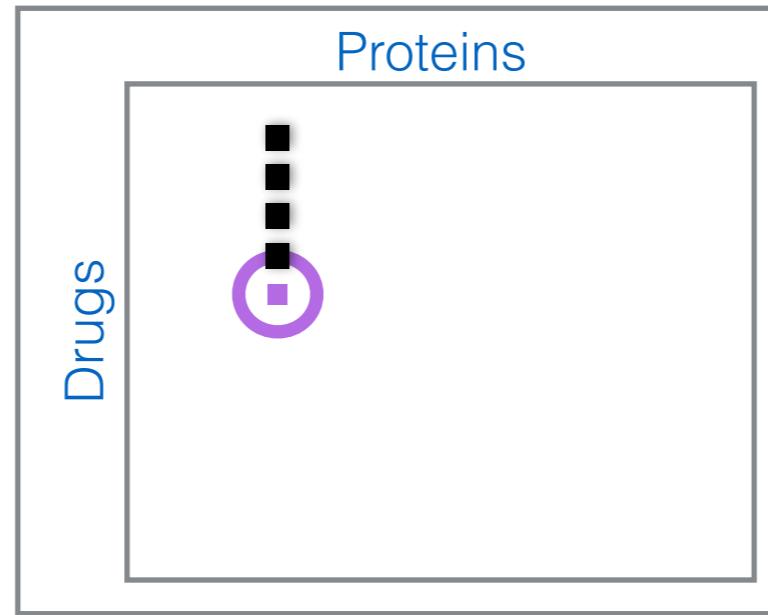
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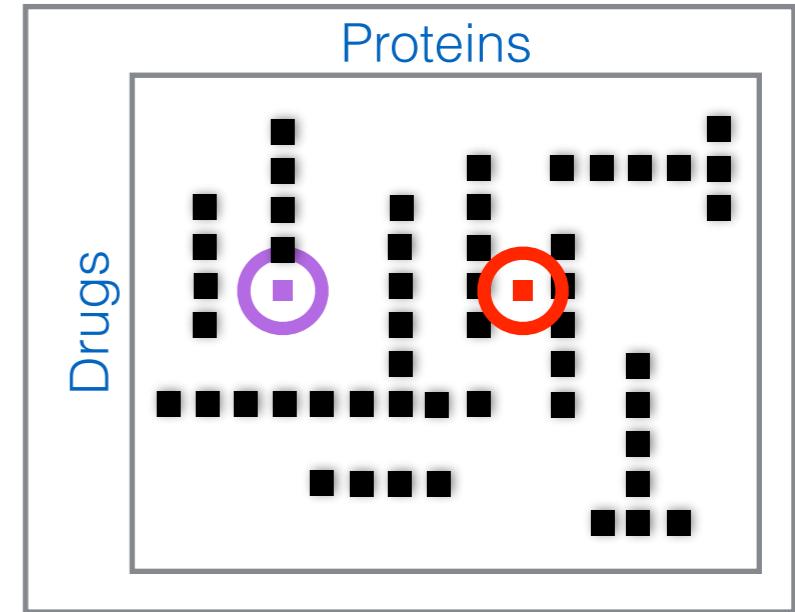
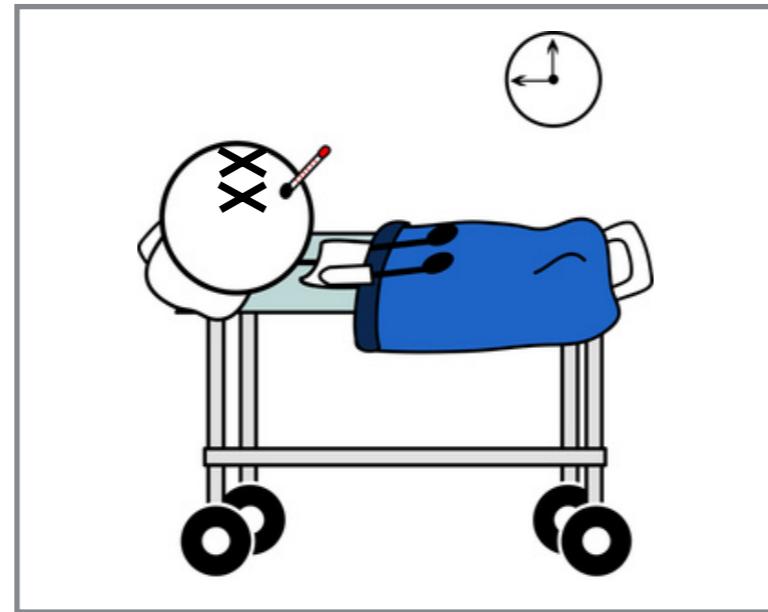
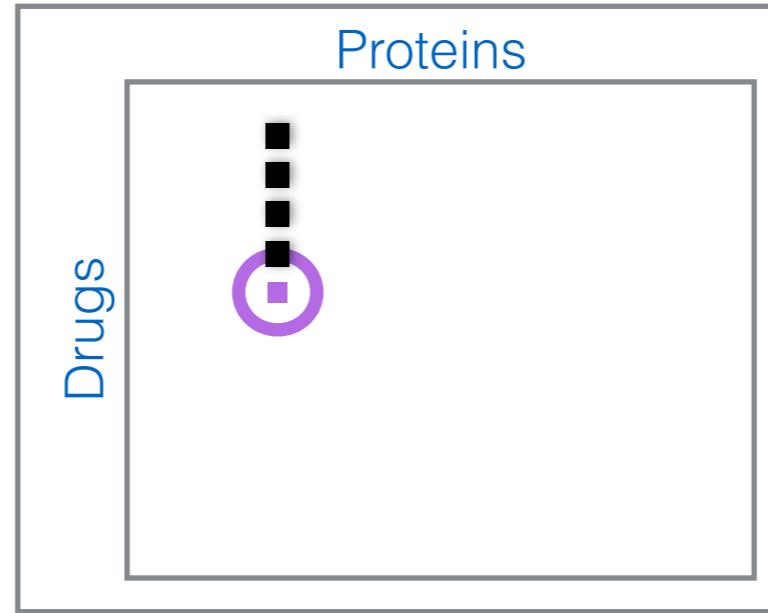
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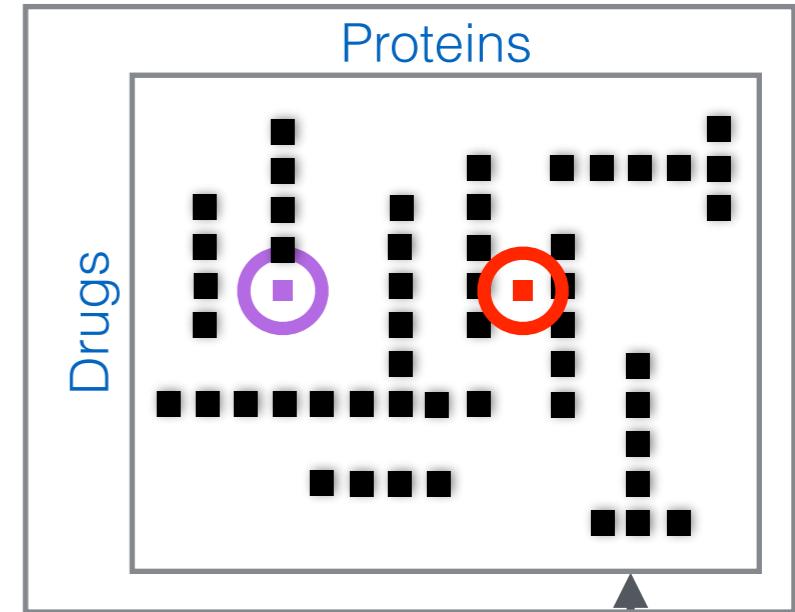
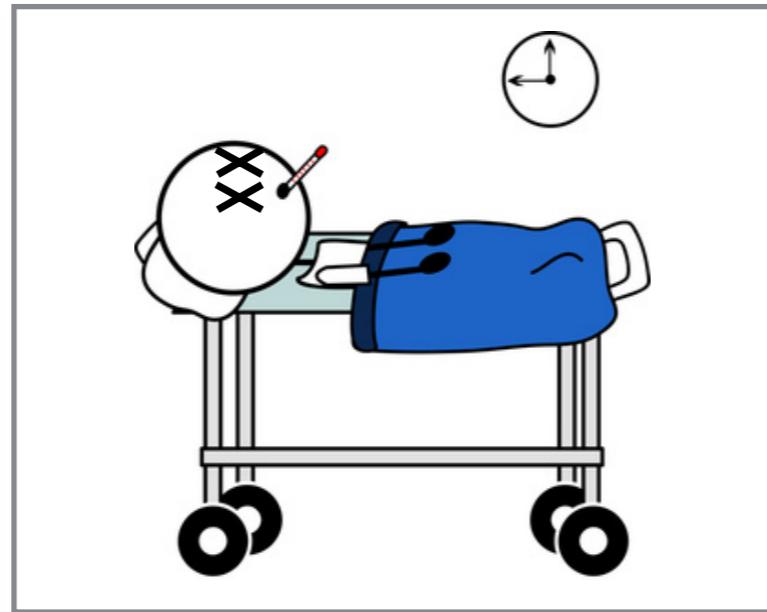
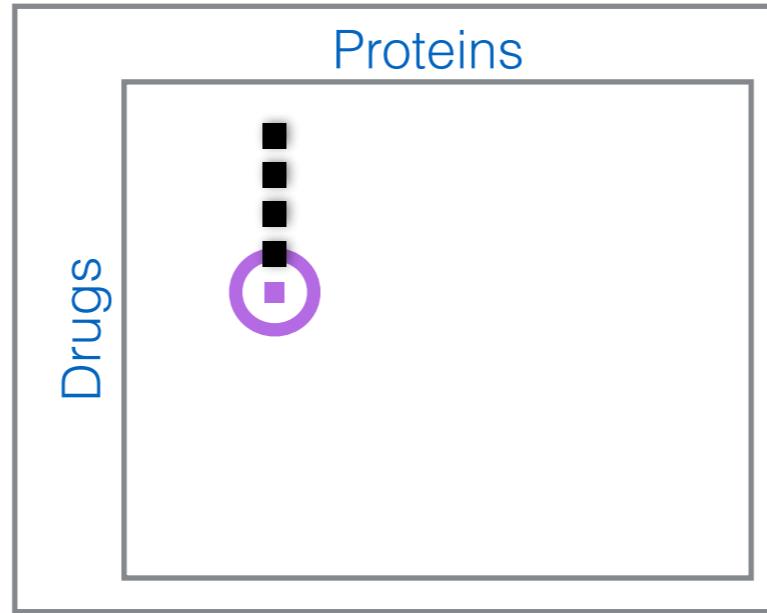
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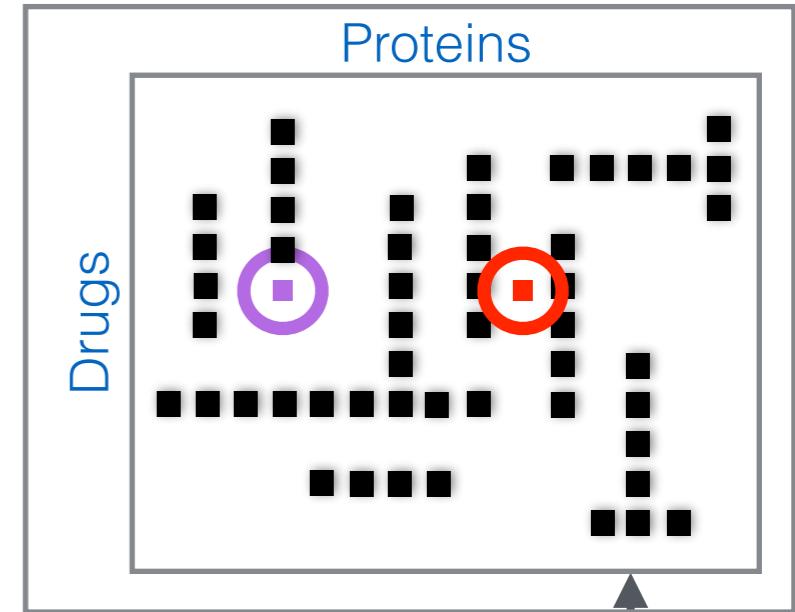
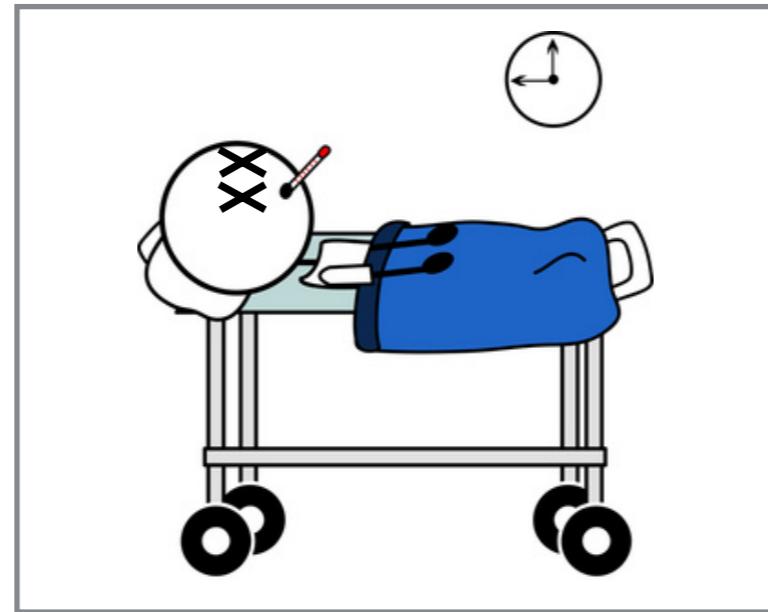
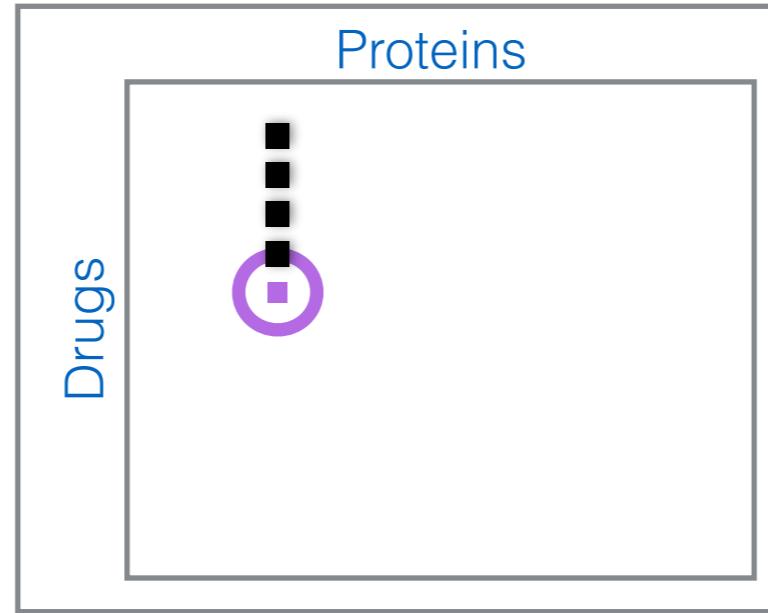


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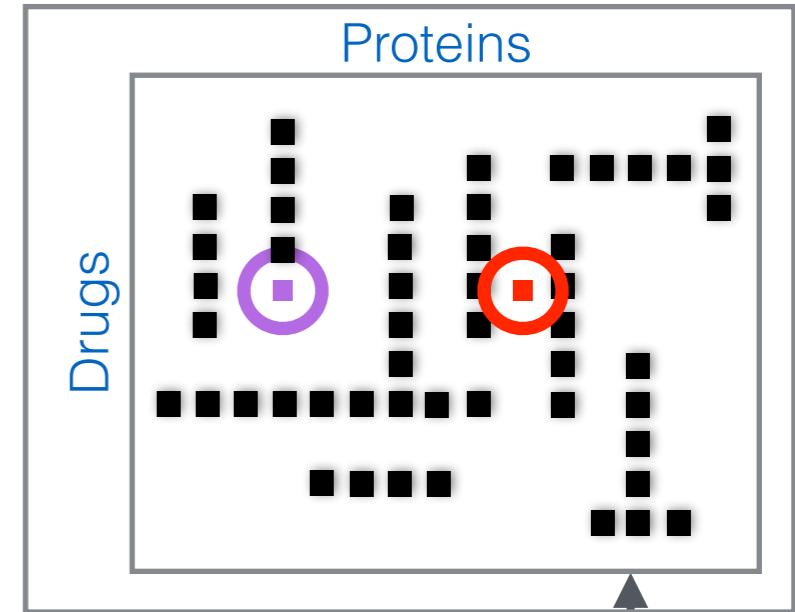
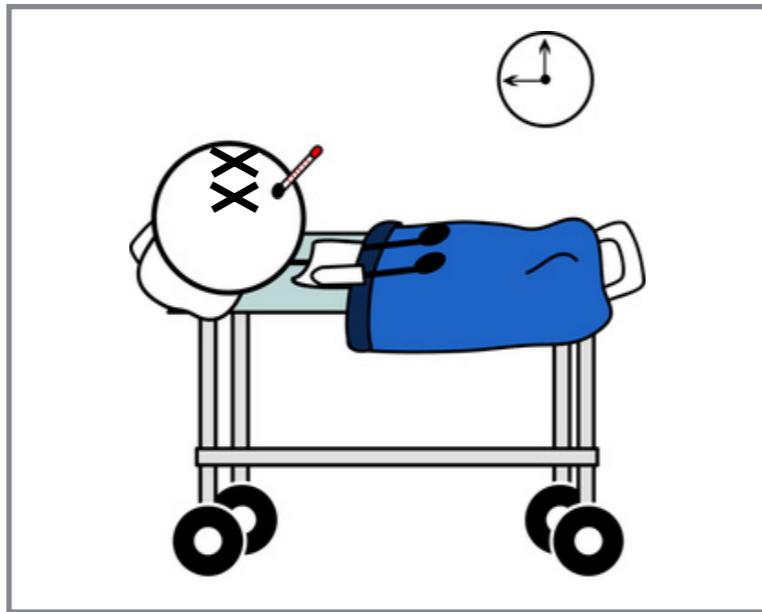
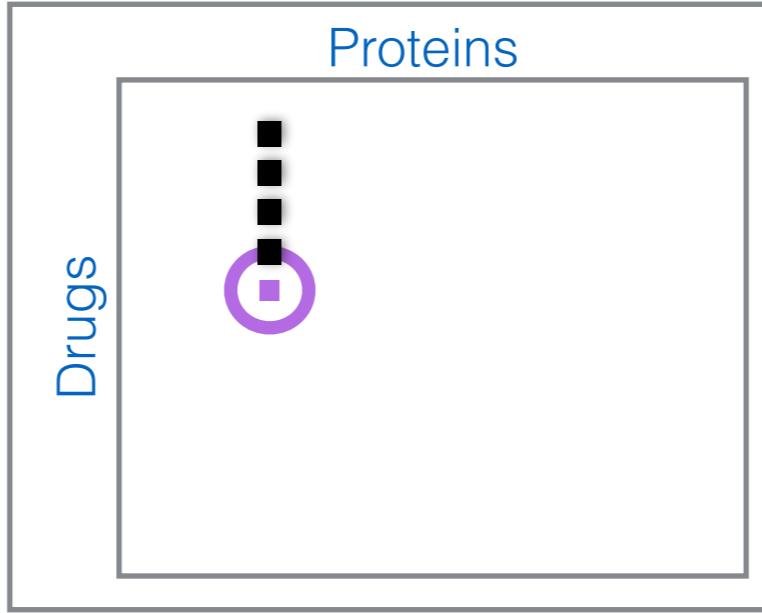
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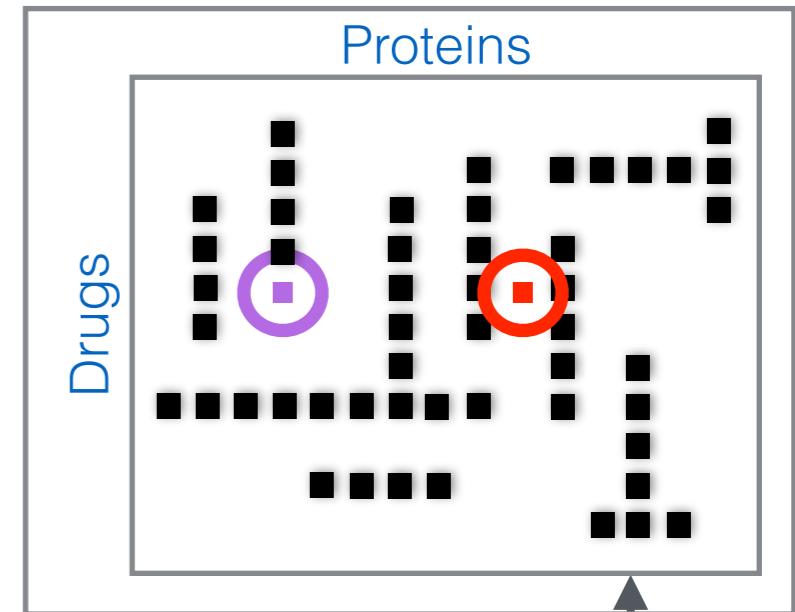
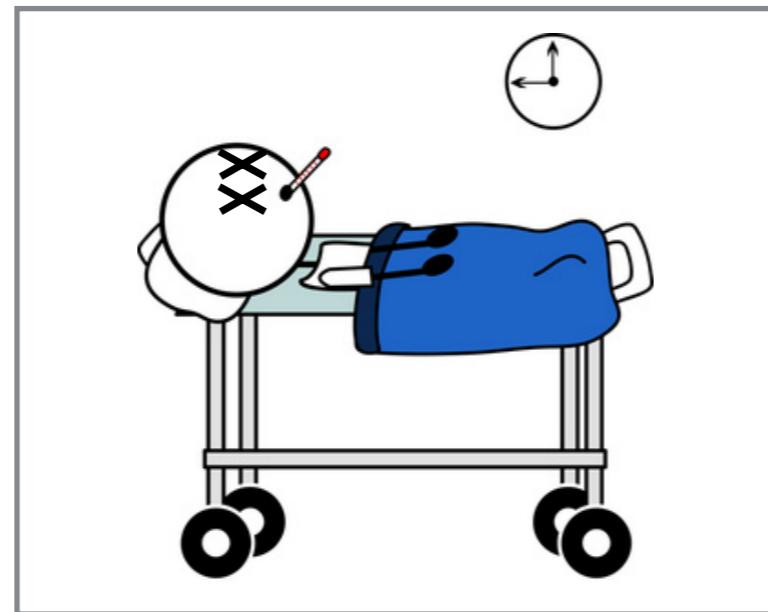
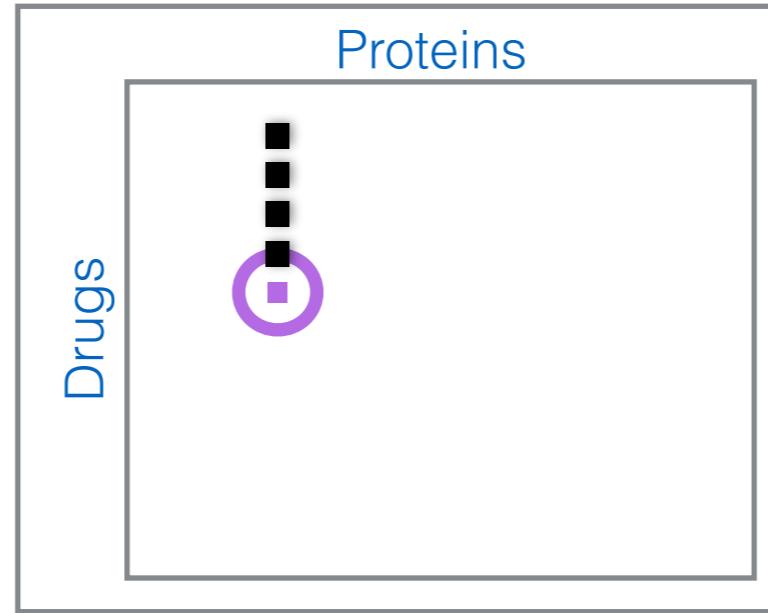
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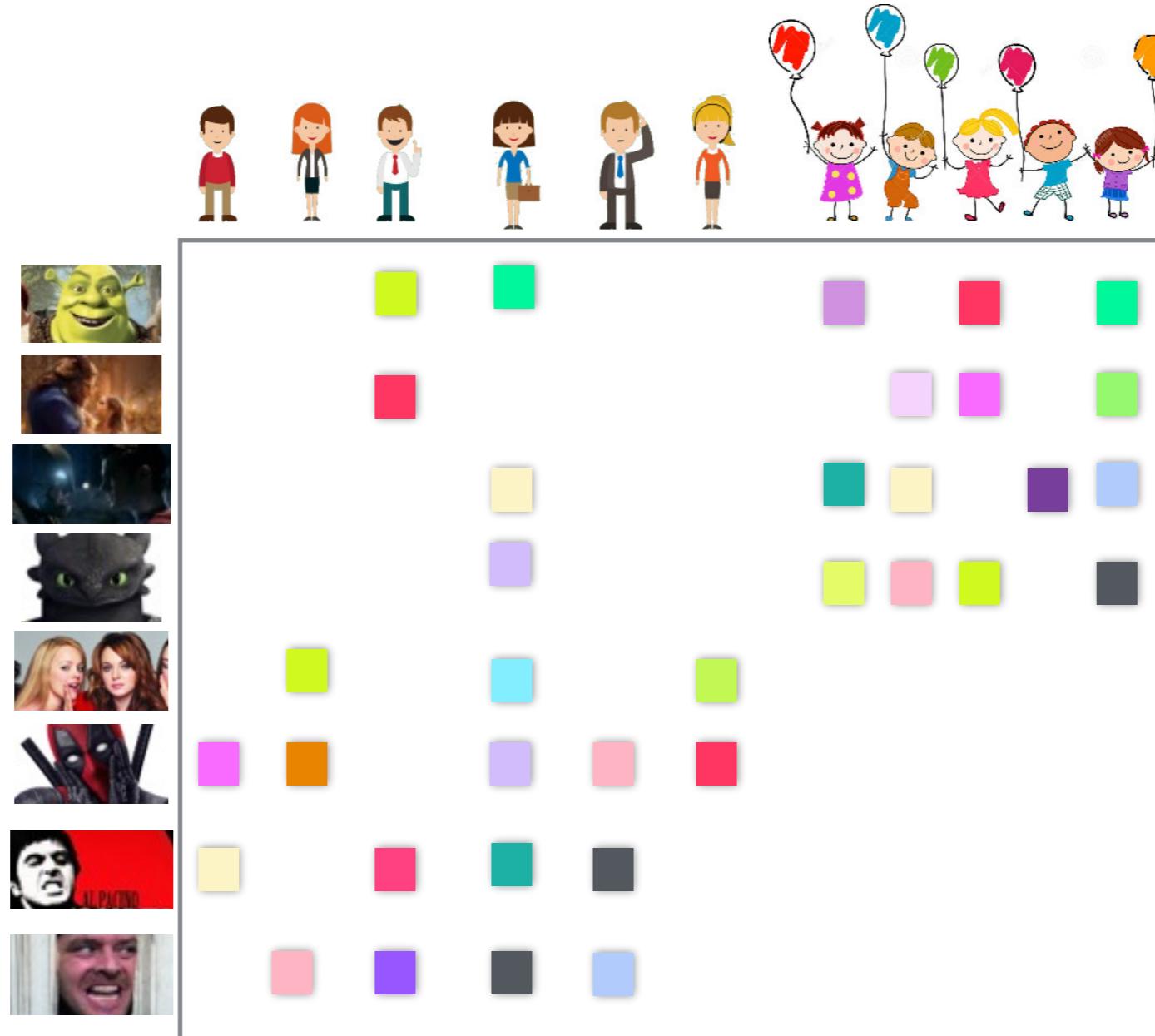
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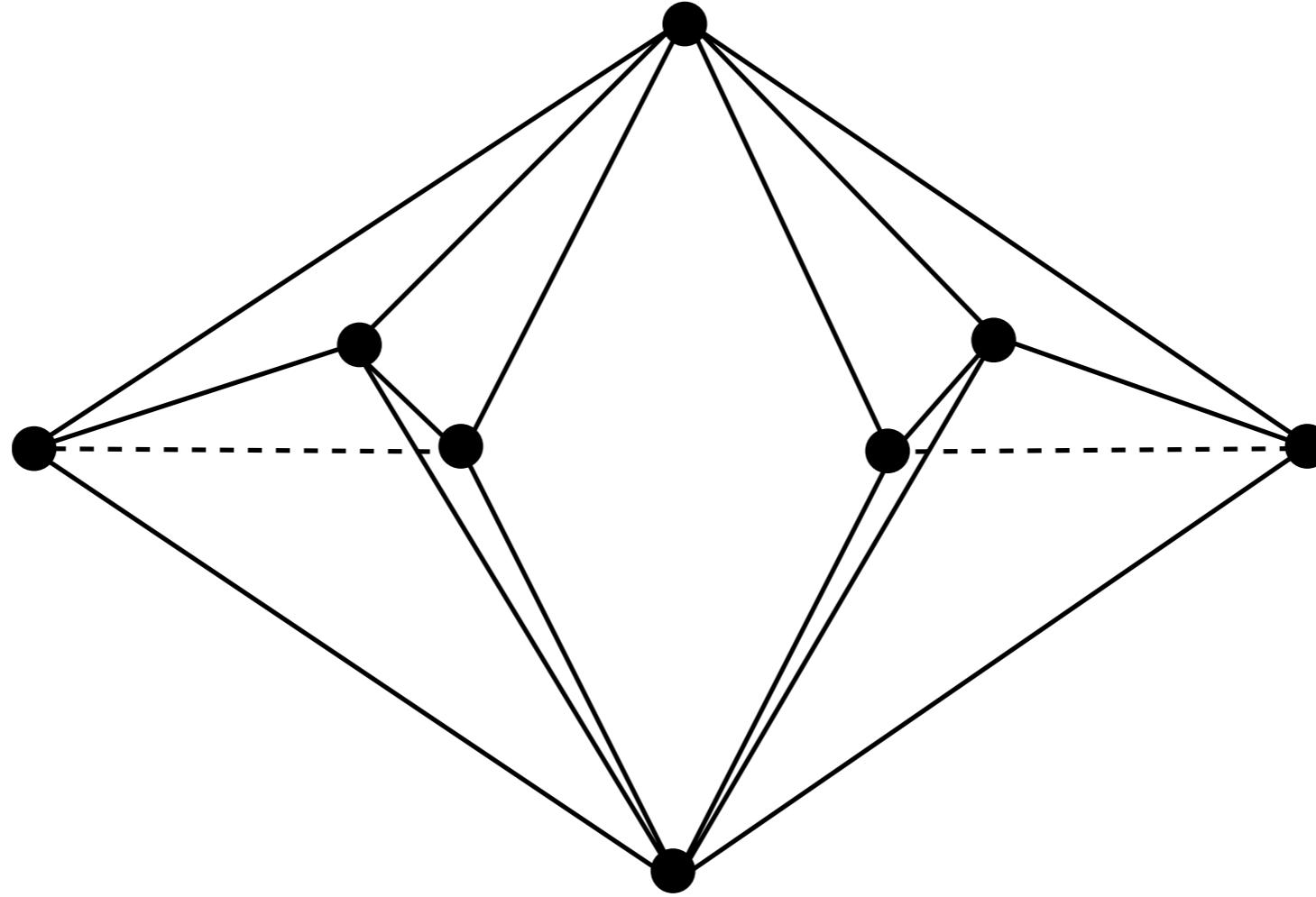
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Recommender Systems



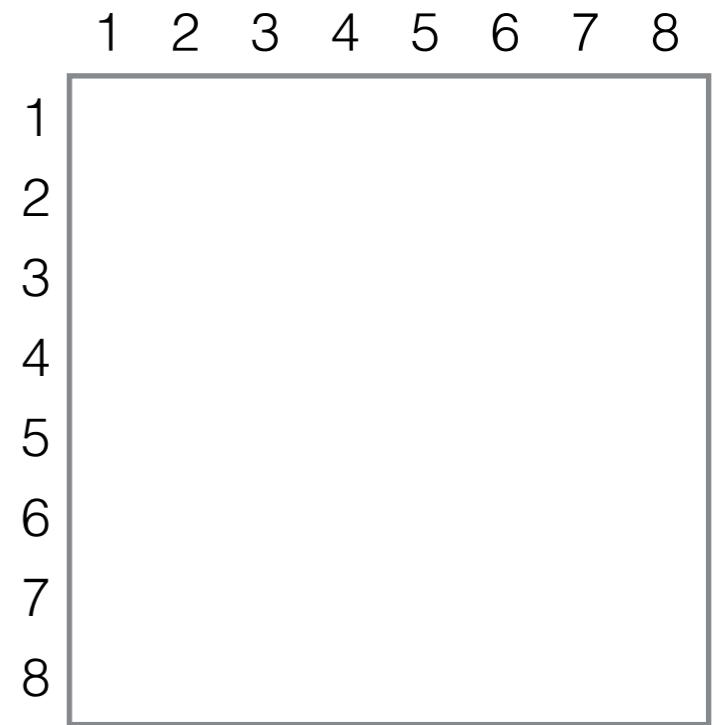
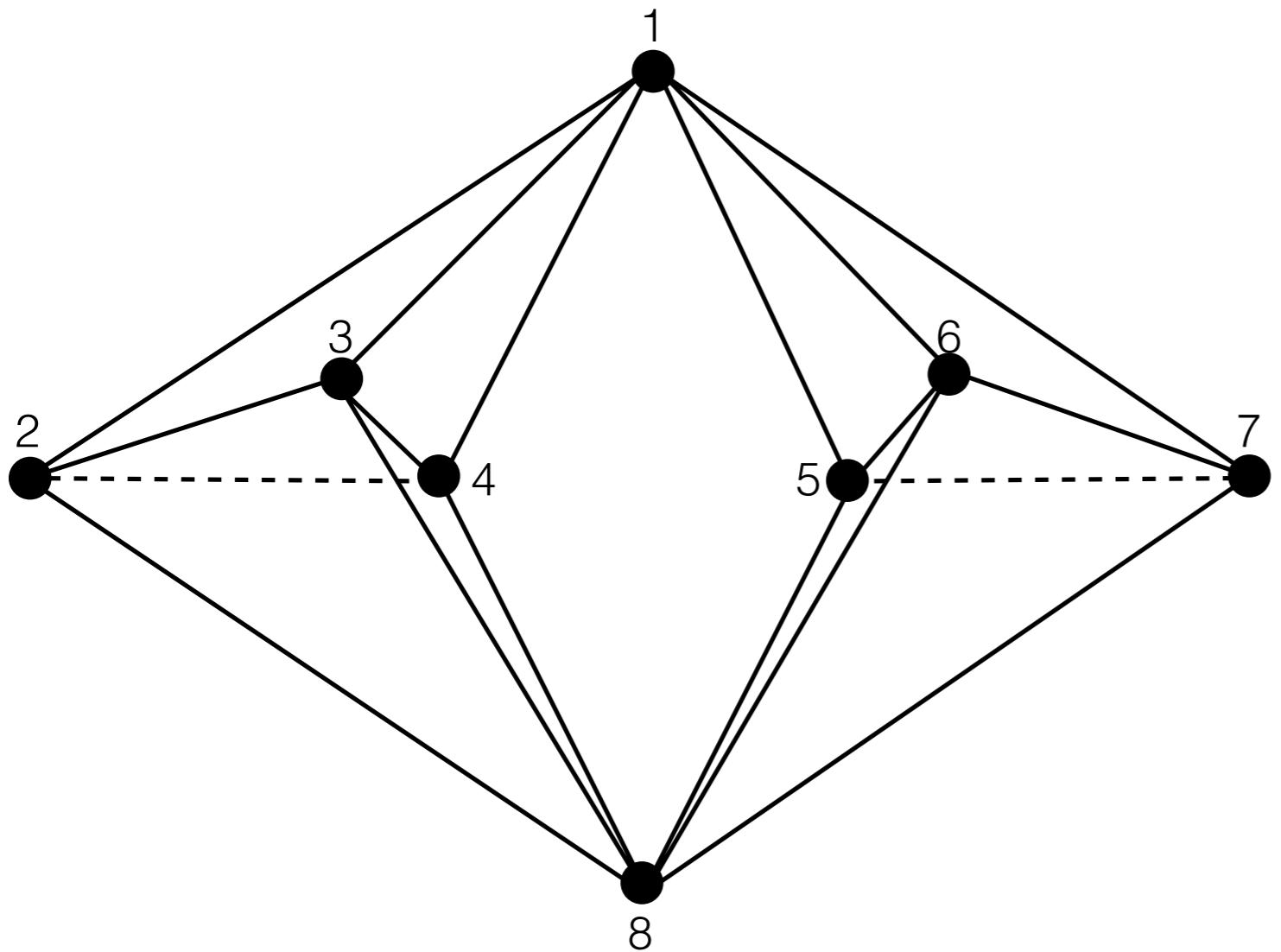
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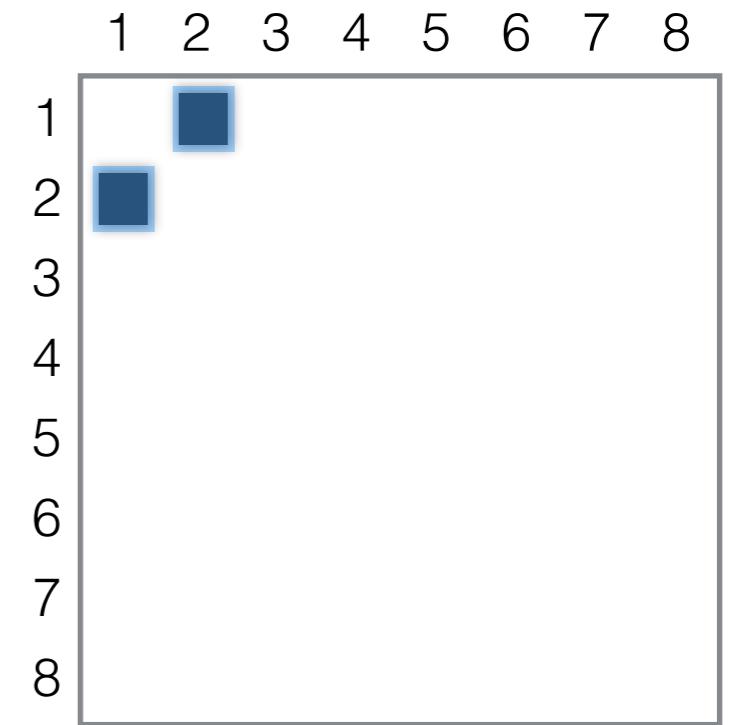
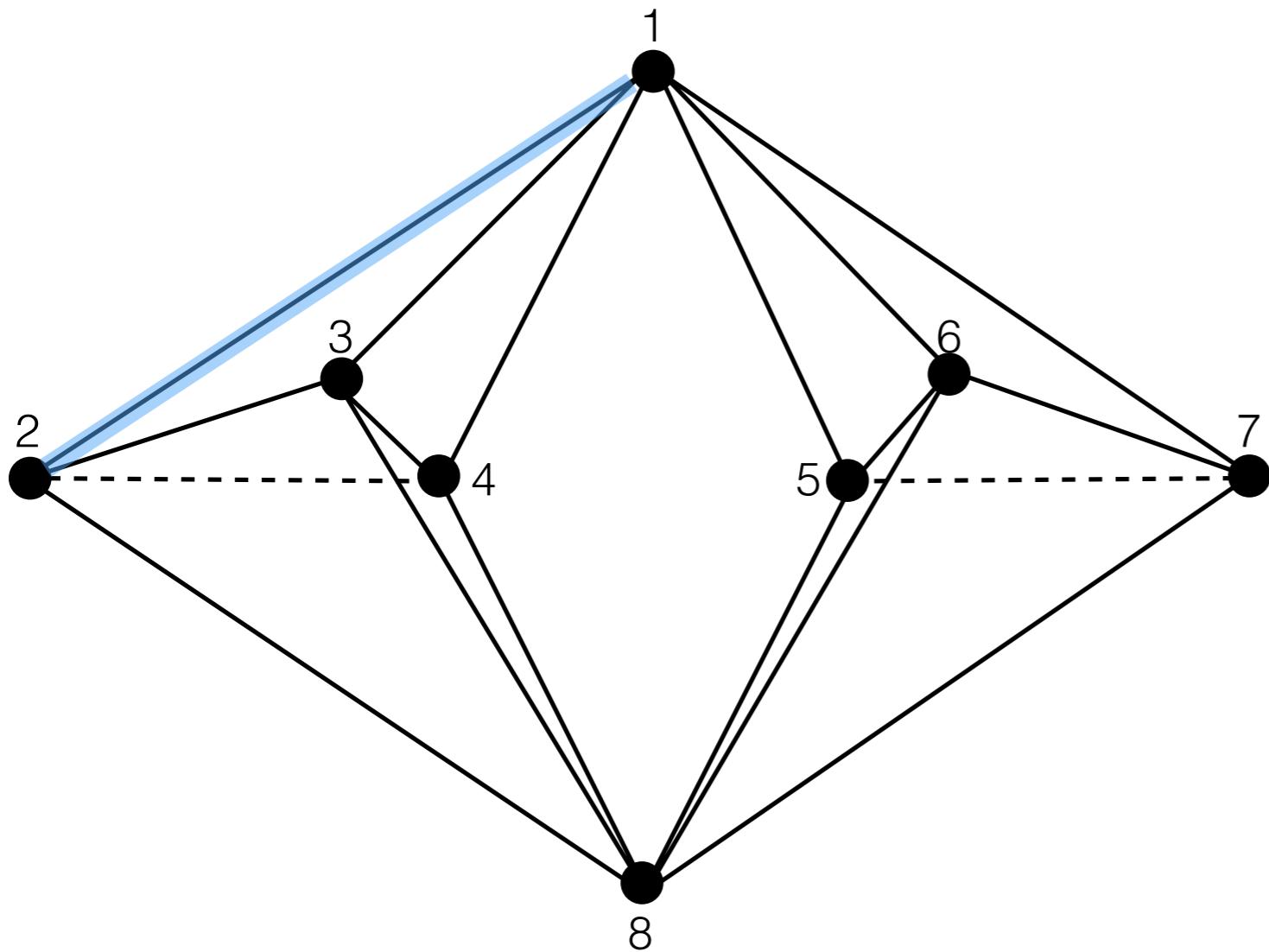
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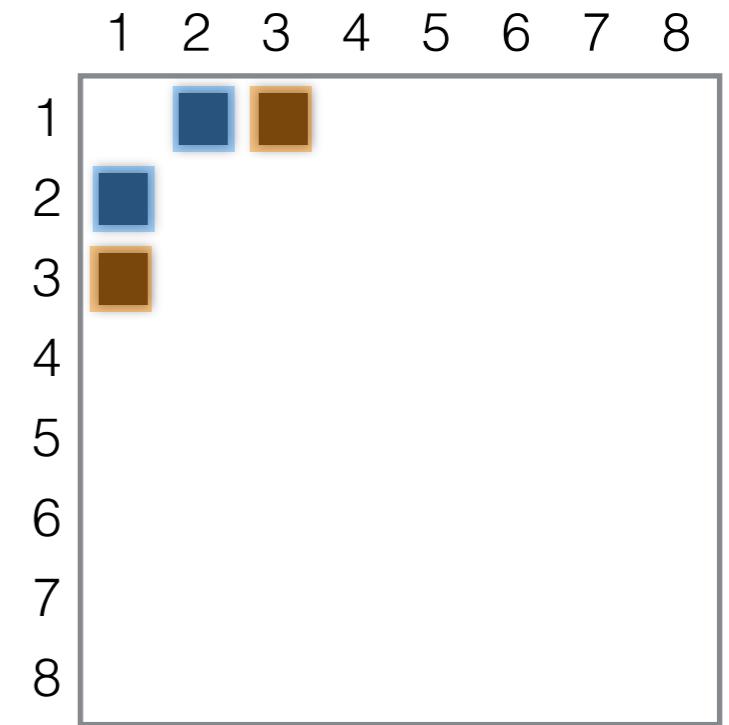
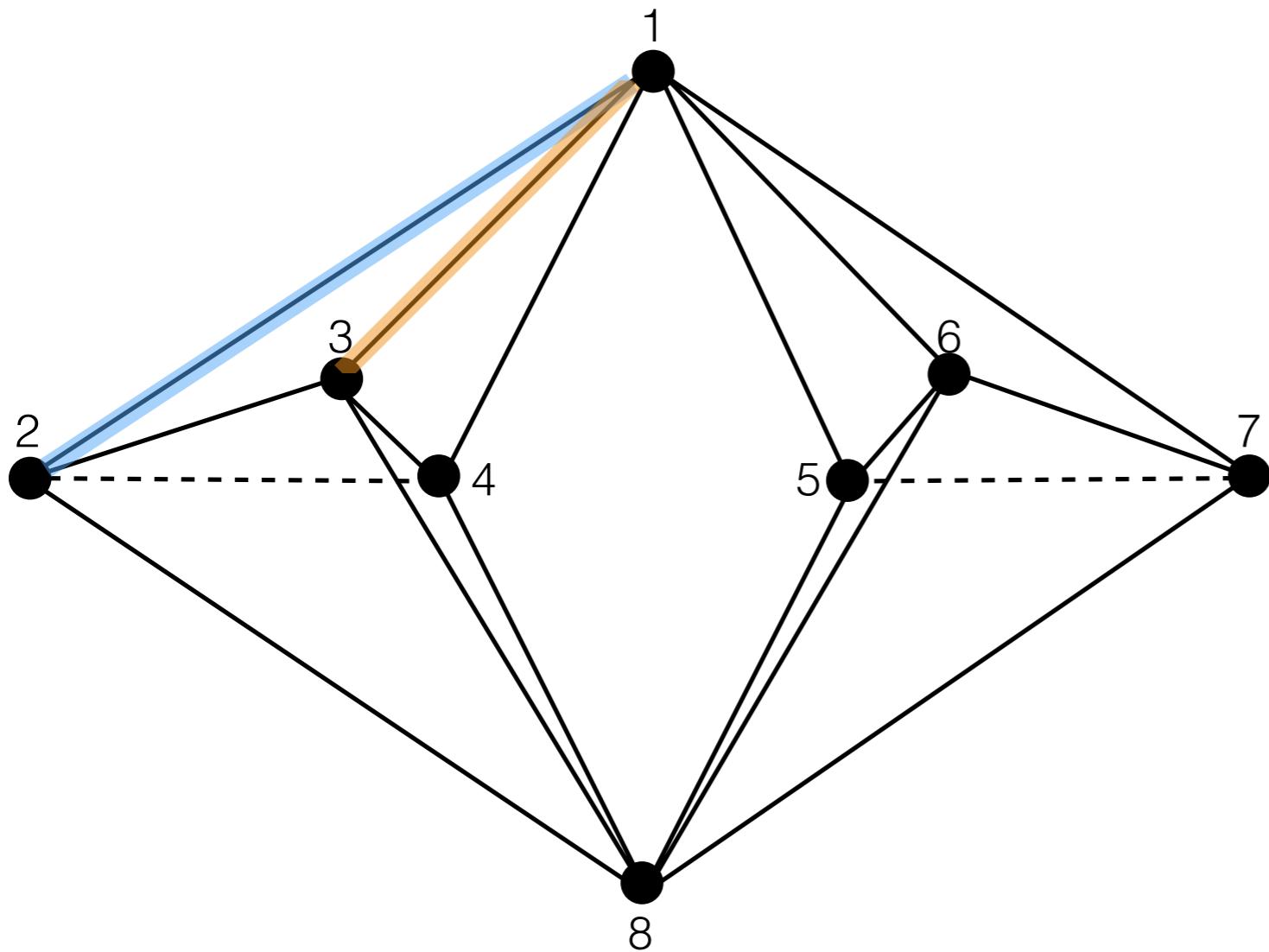
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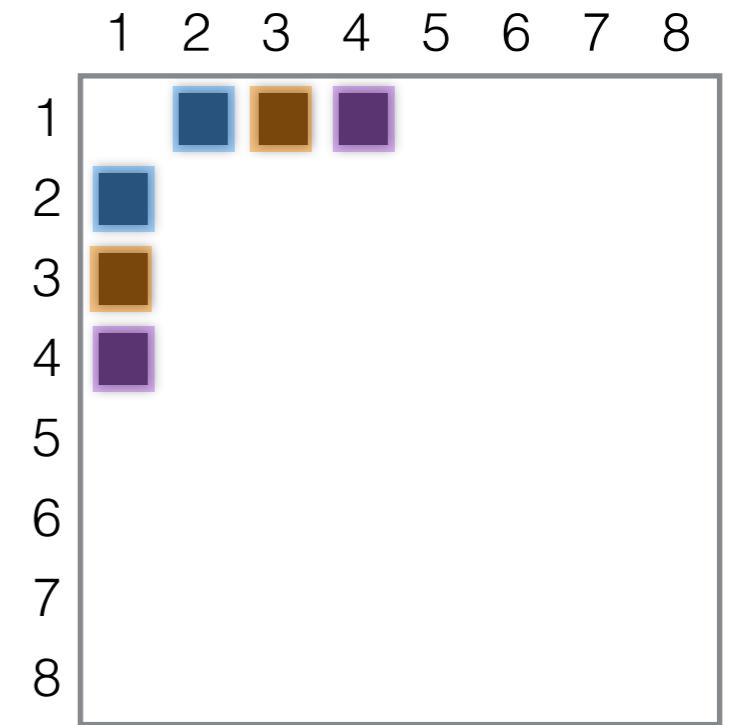
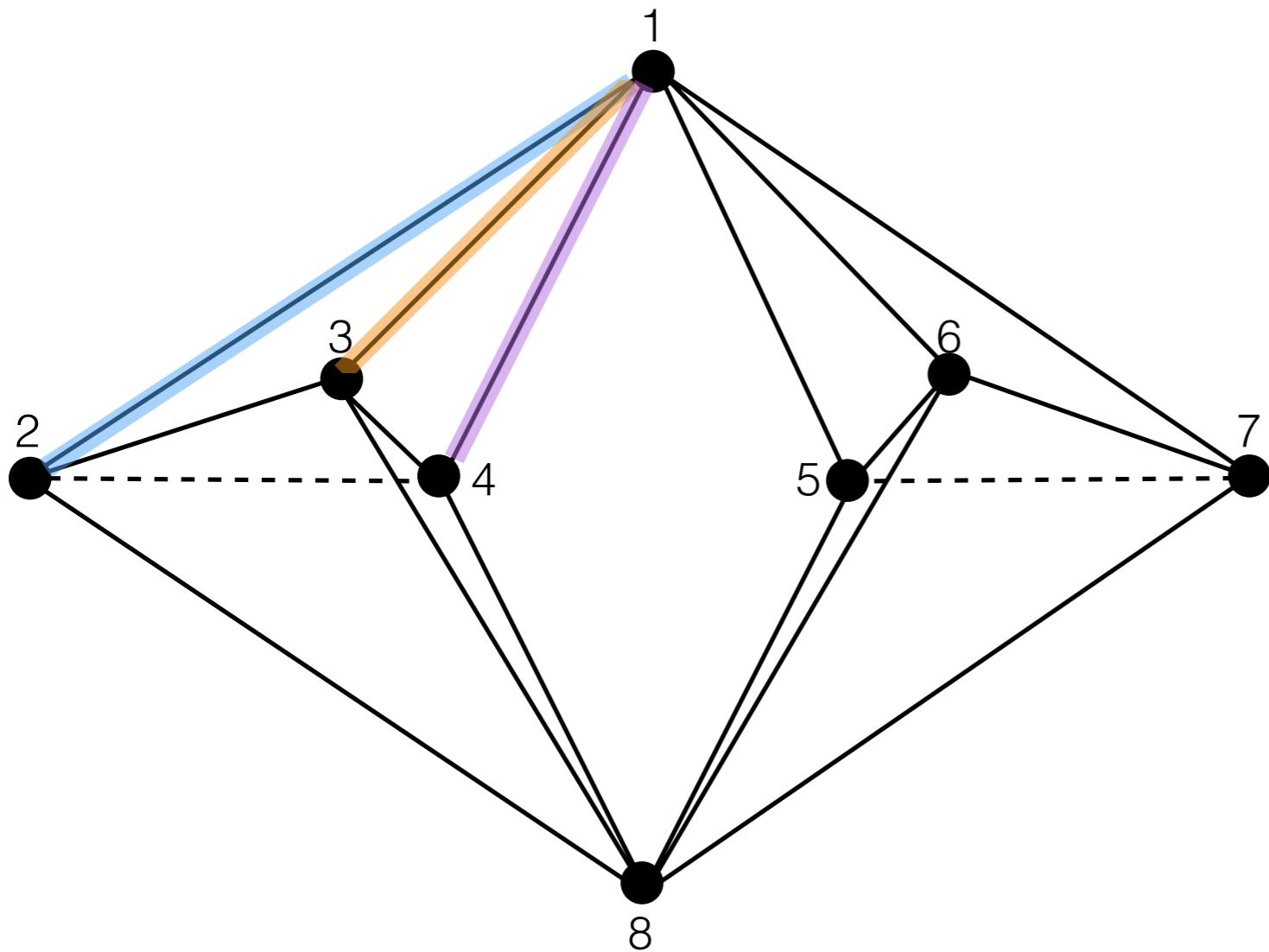
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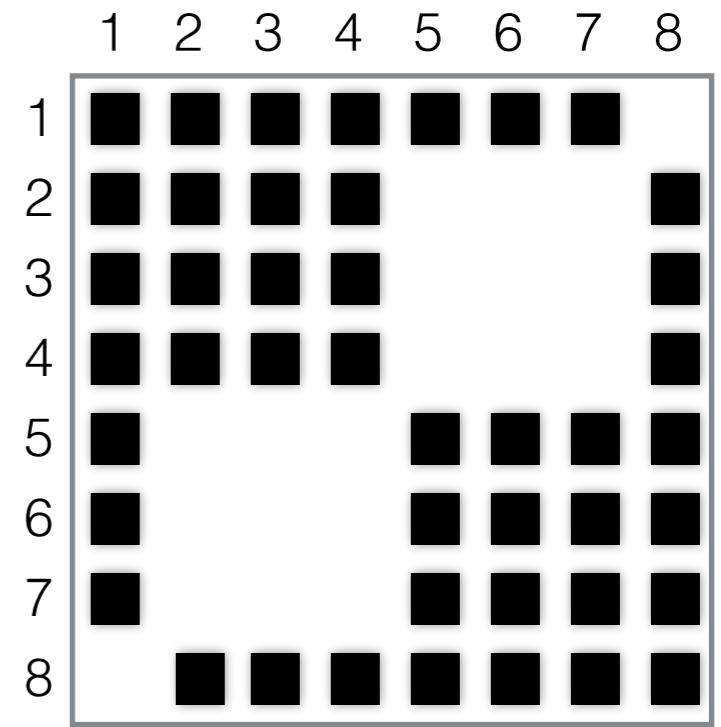
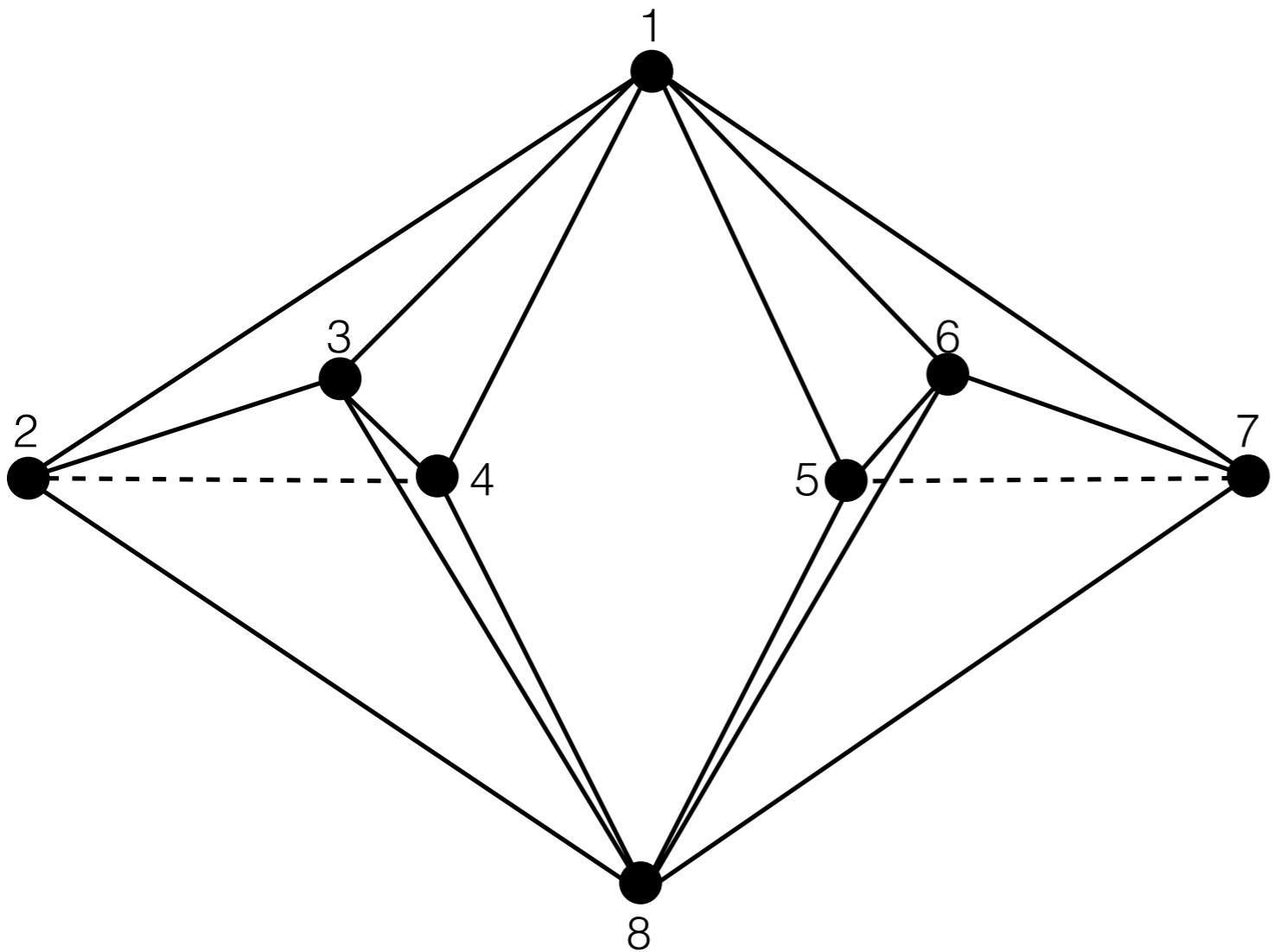
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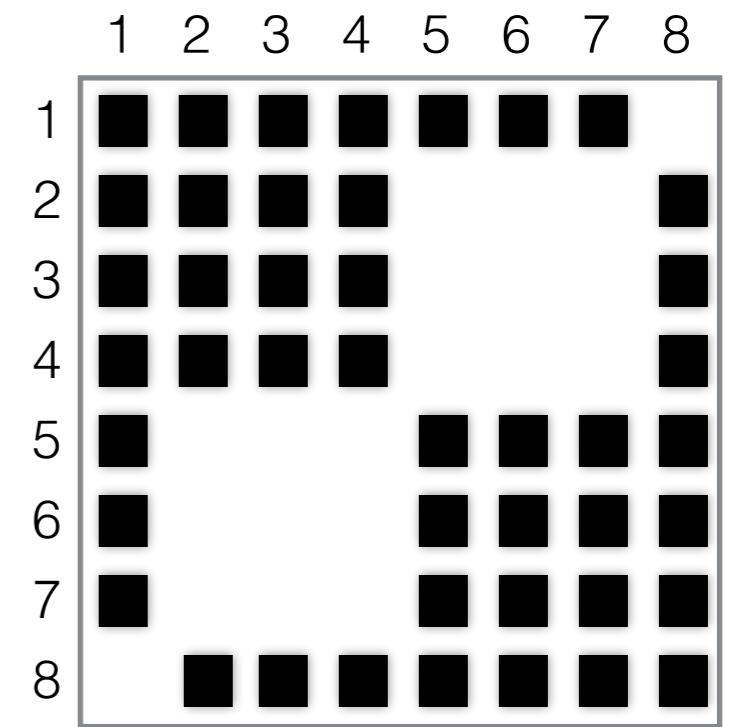
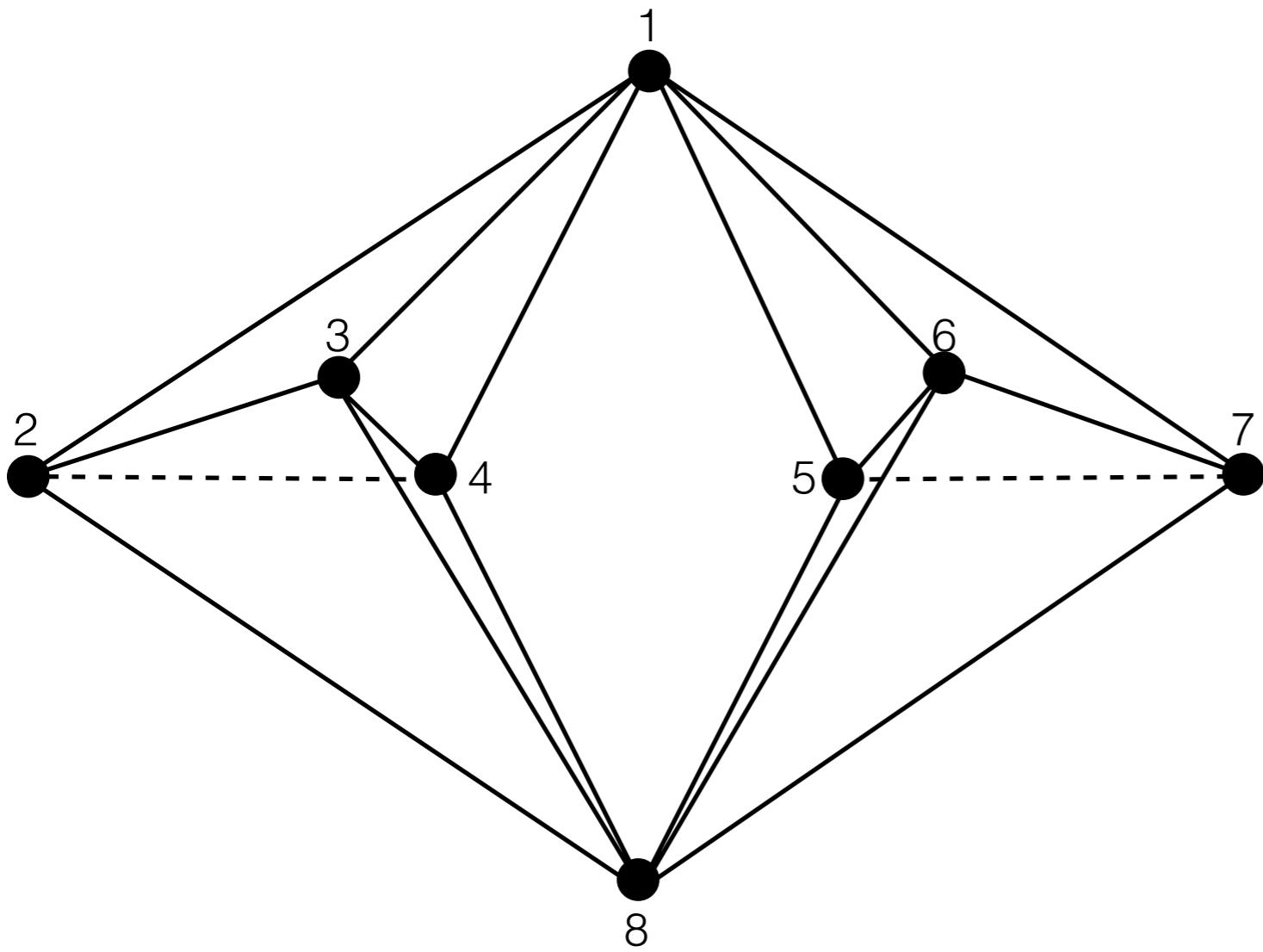
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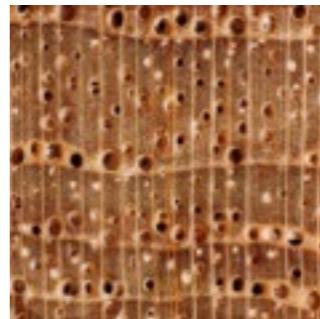
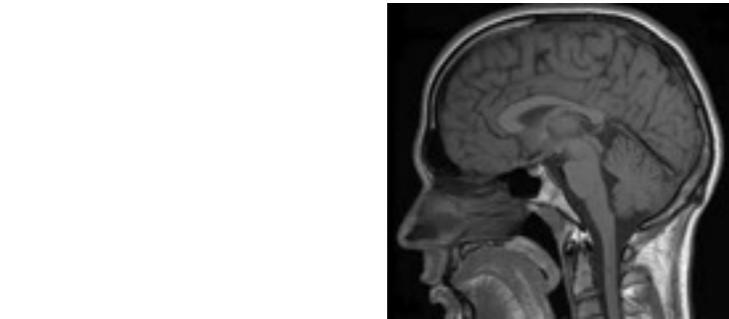
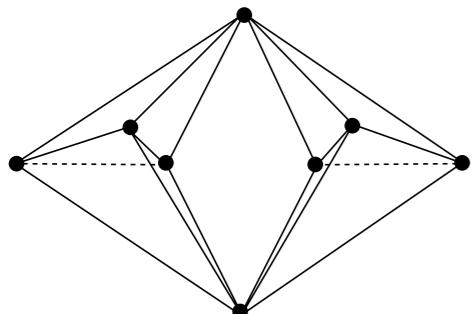
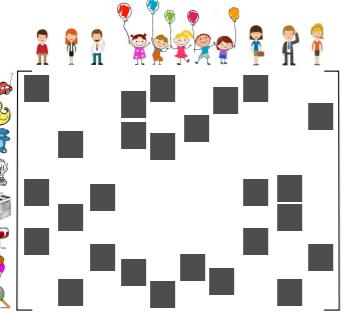
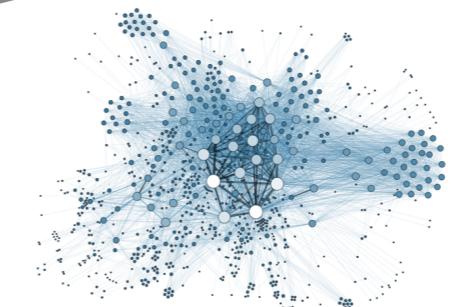
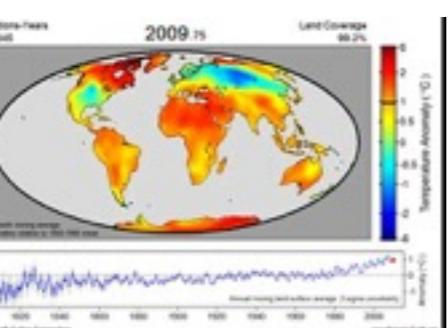


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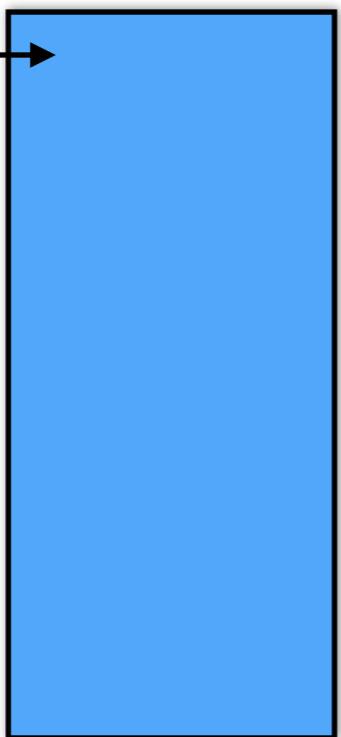
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Beyond Missing Data

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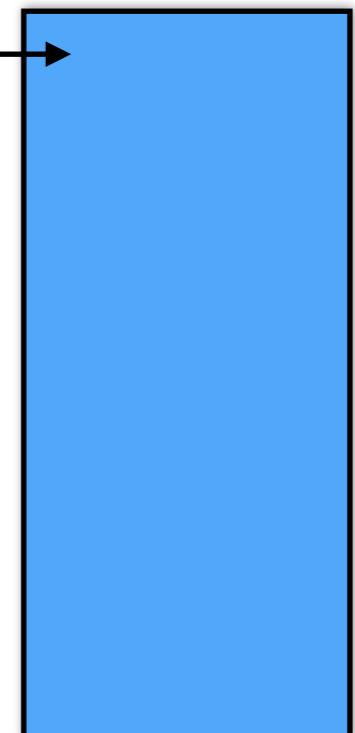
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(Robust Principal Component Analysis)

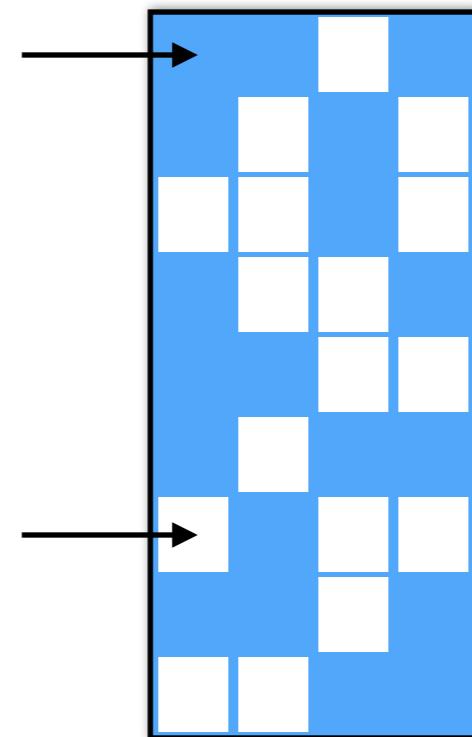
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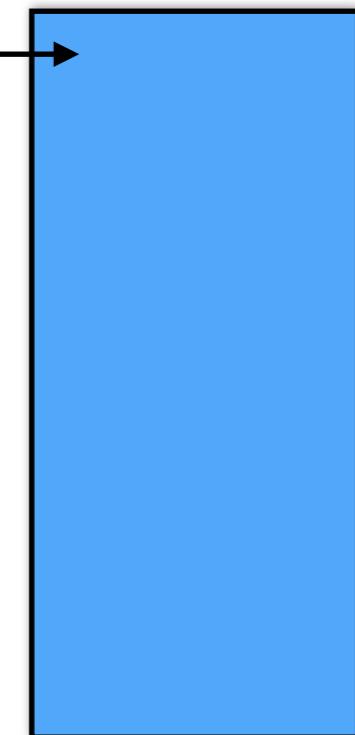
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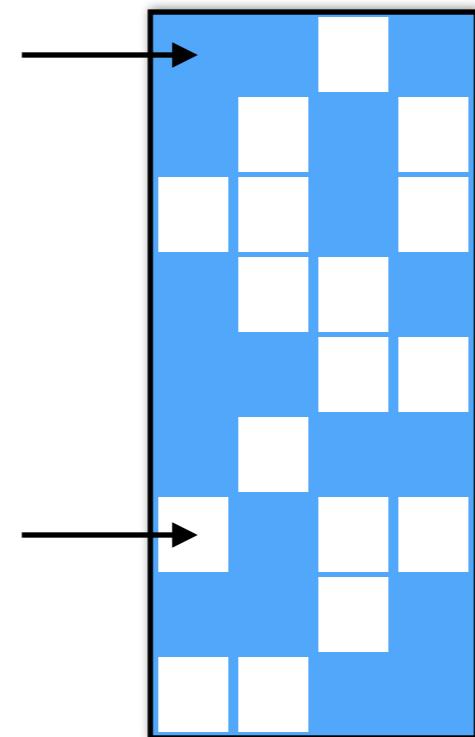
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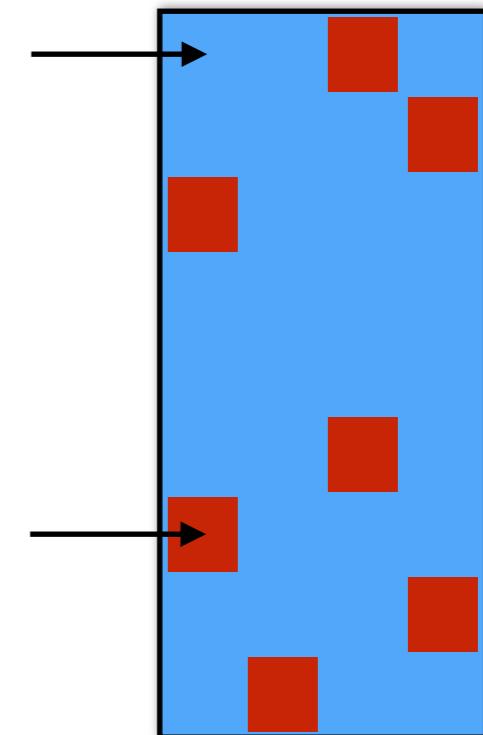


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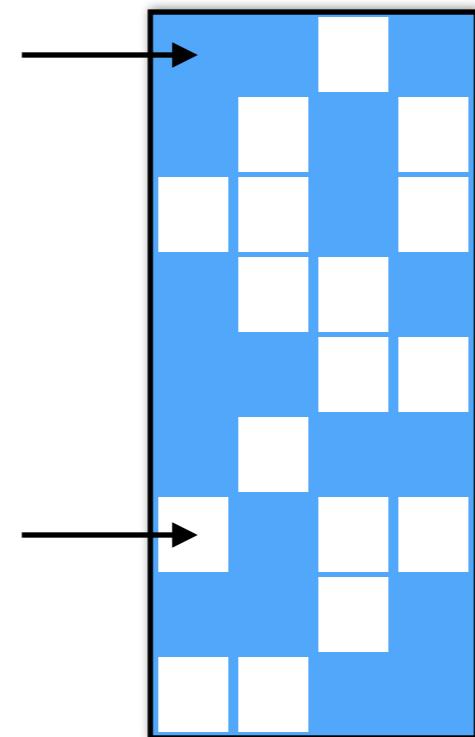


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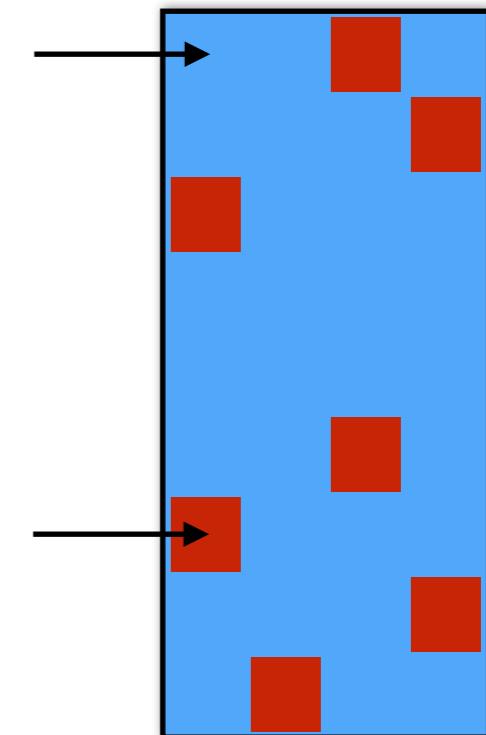


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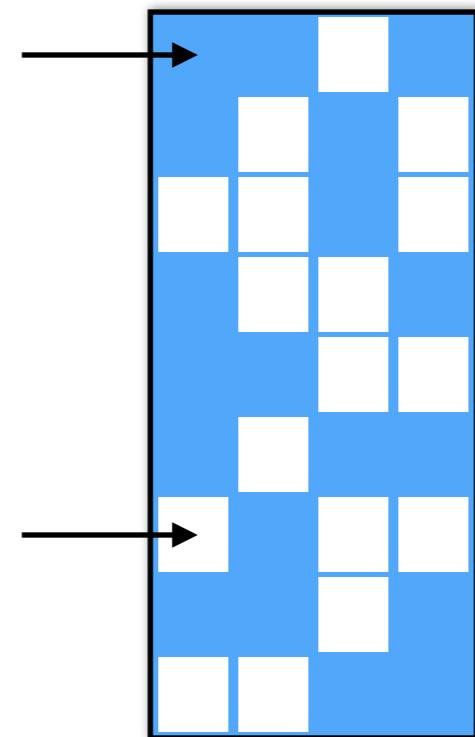
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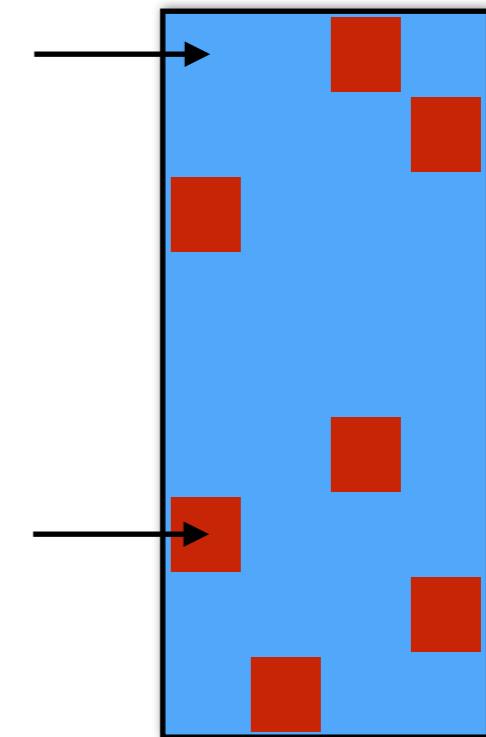
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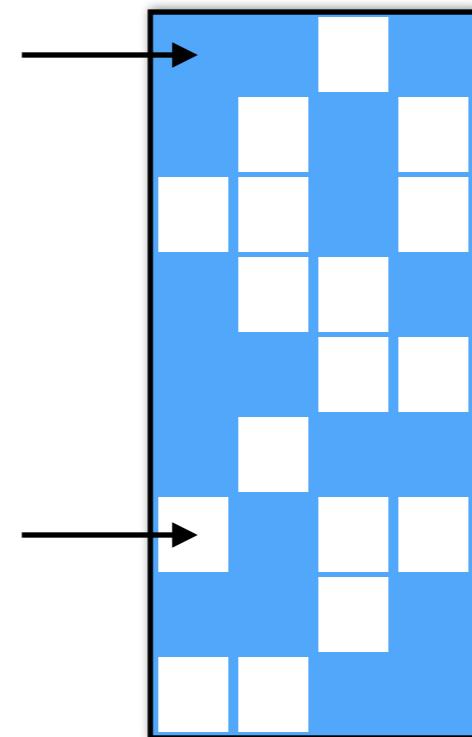
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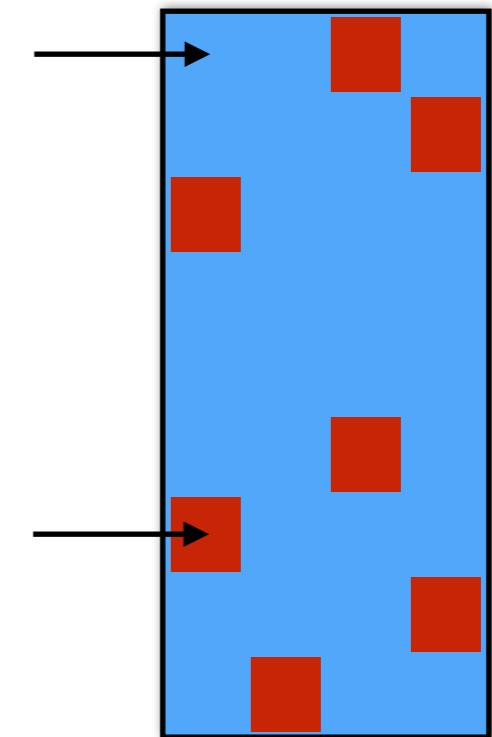
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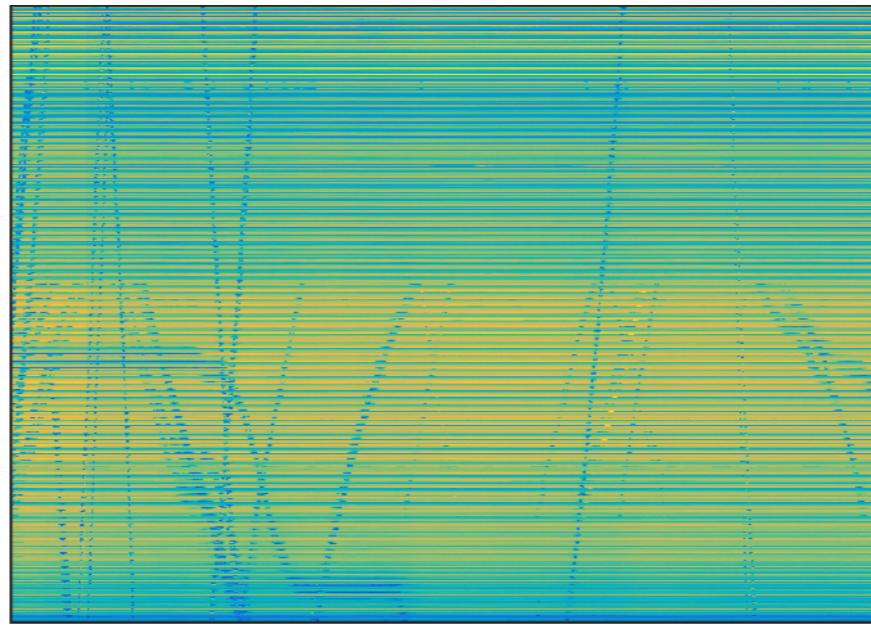
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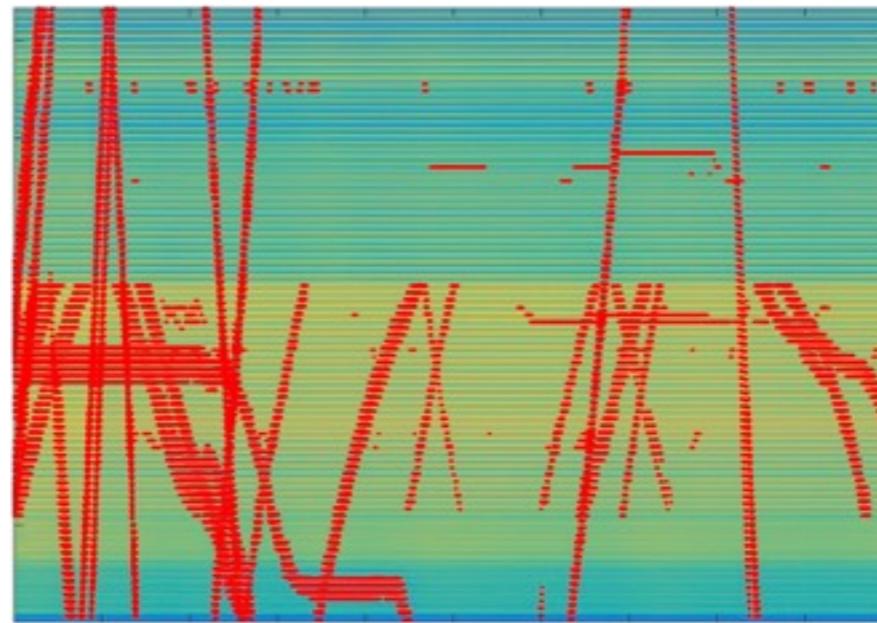
Common goal: find the Subspace



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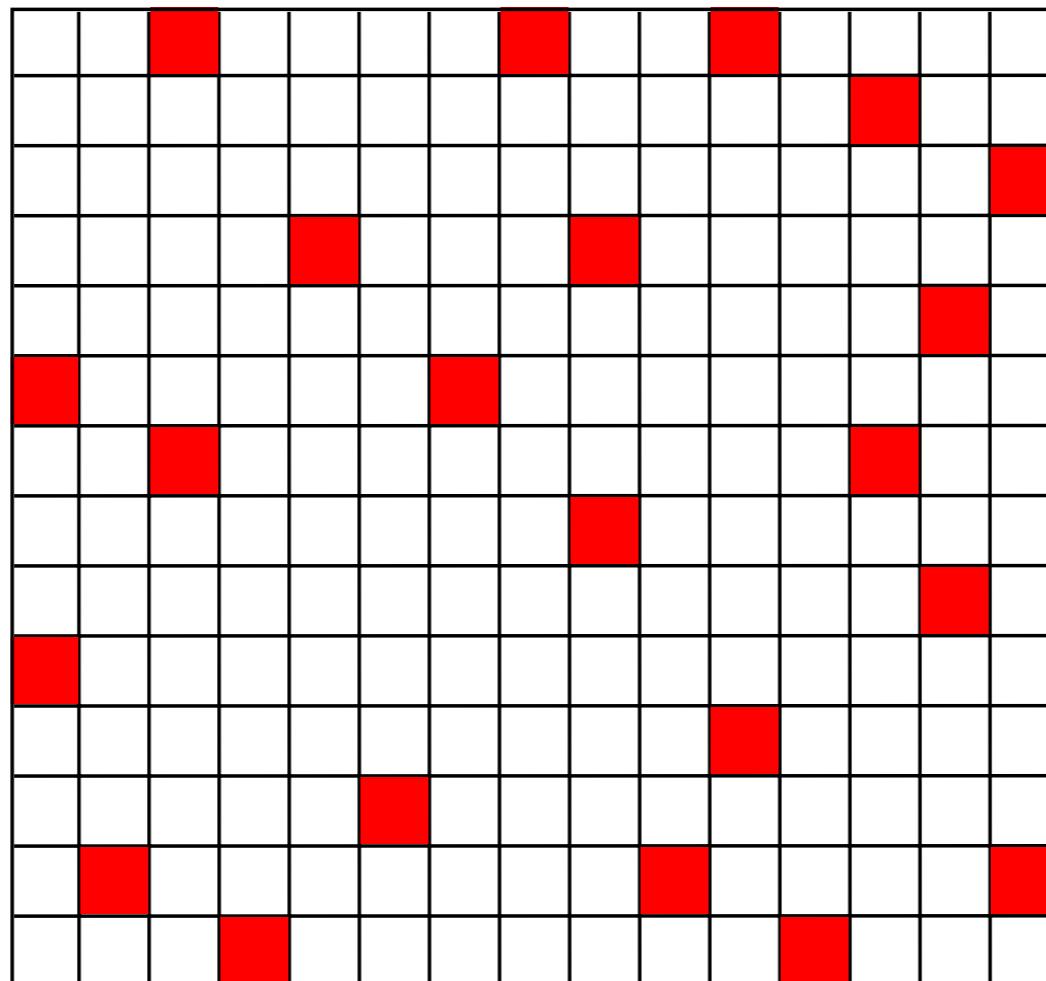
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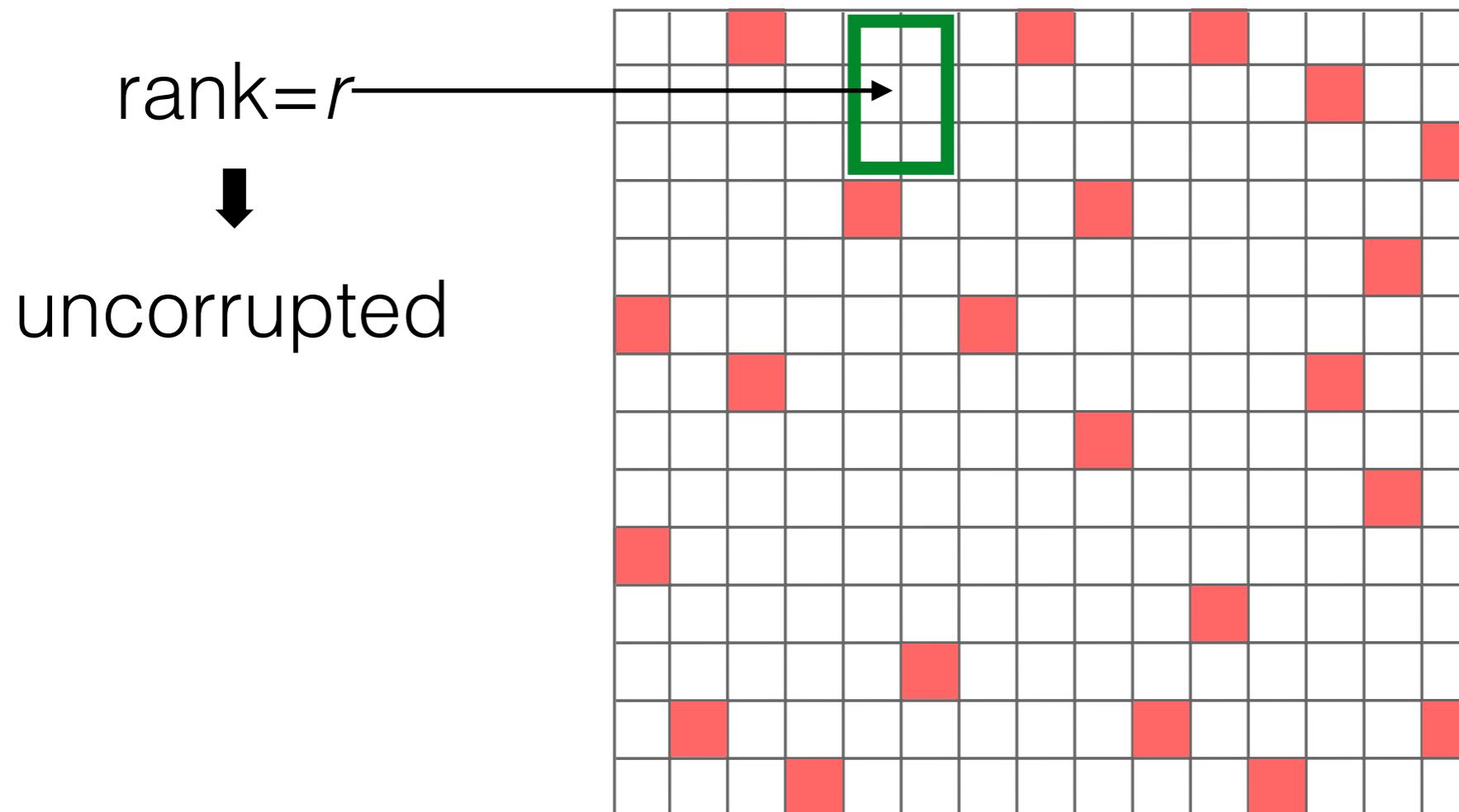
Using our Theory

Totally different way to think about the problem

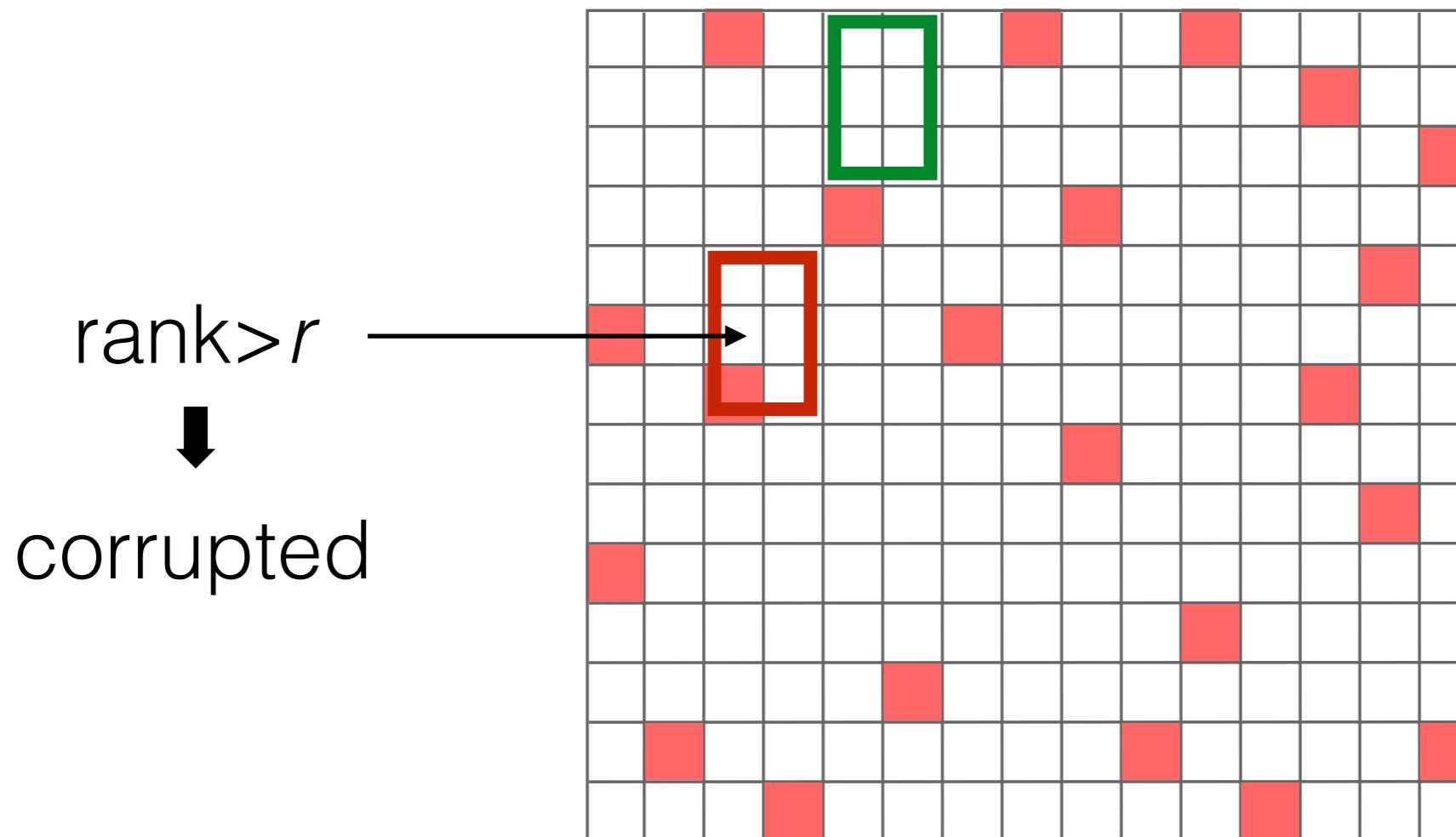
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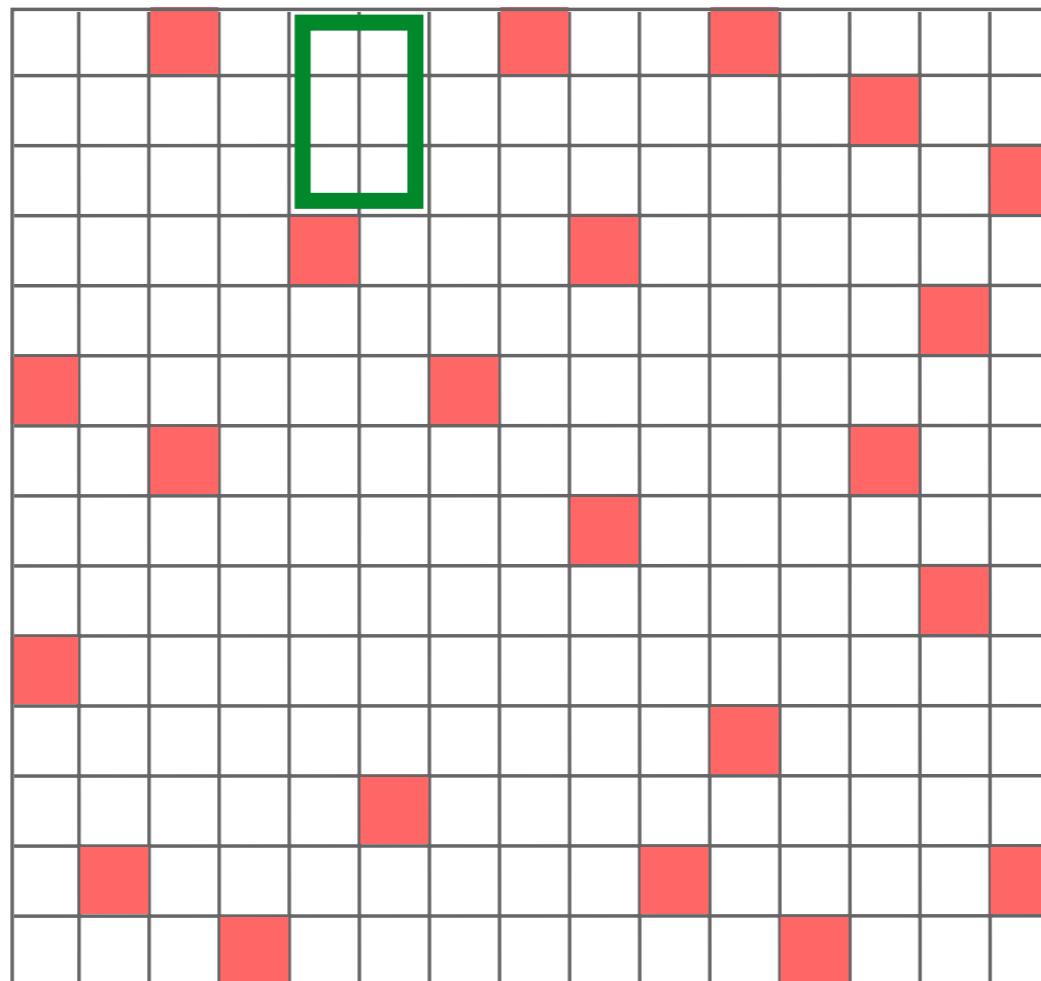
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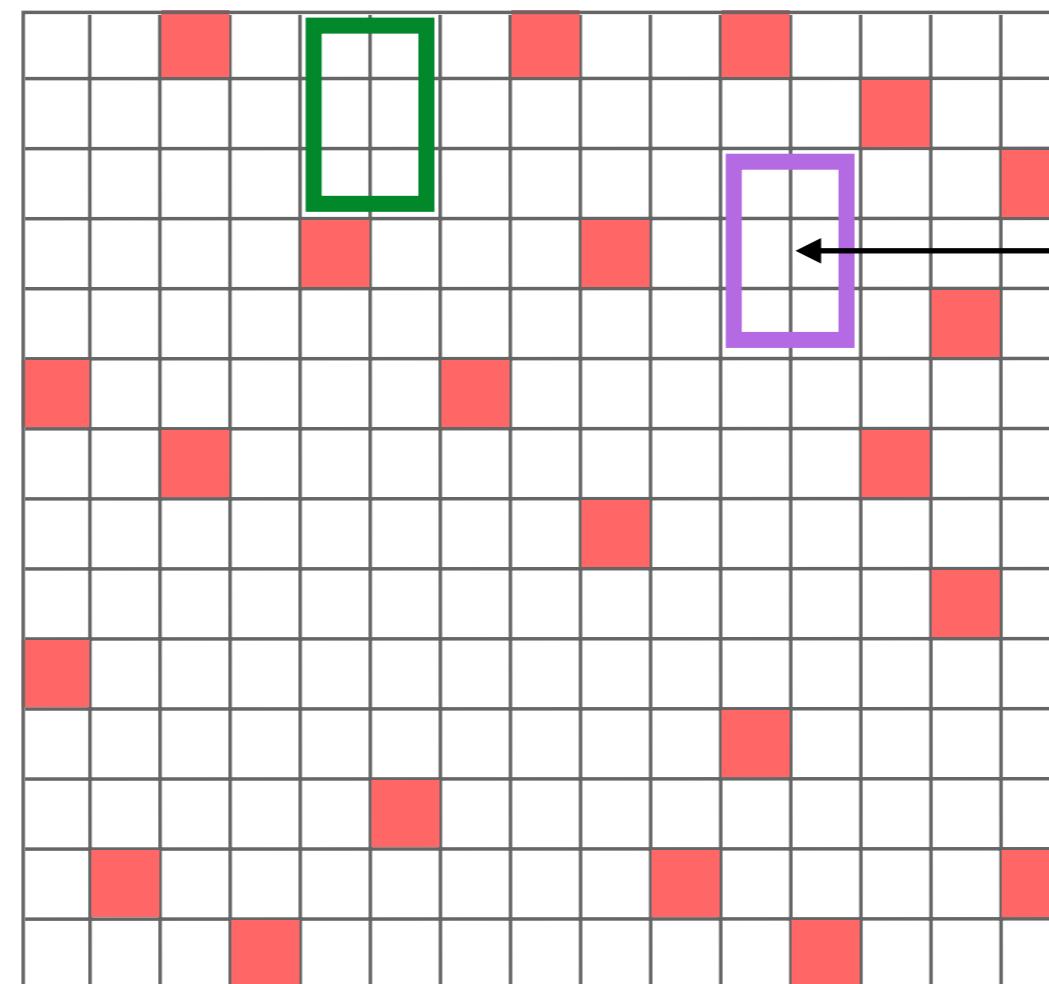
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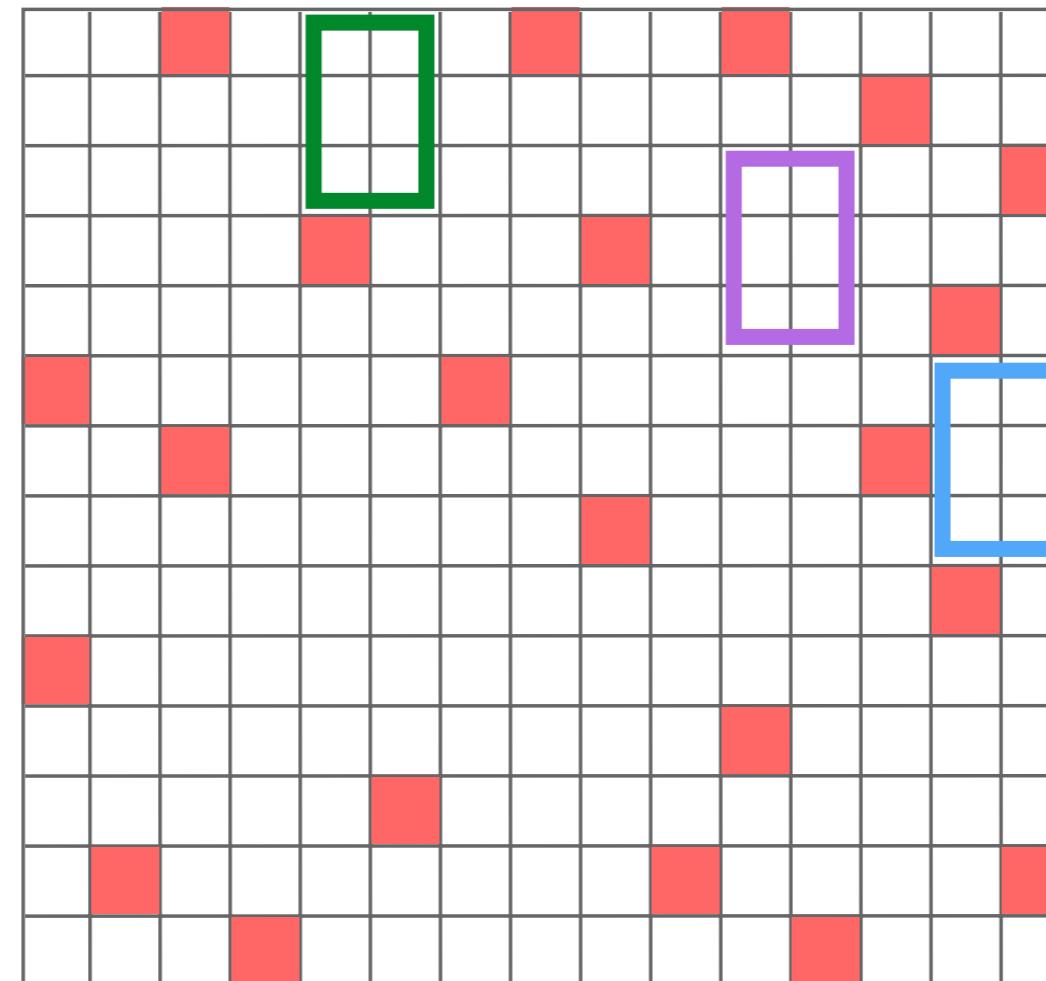


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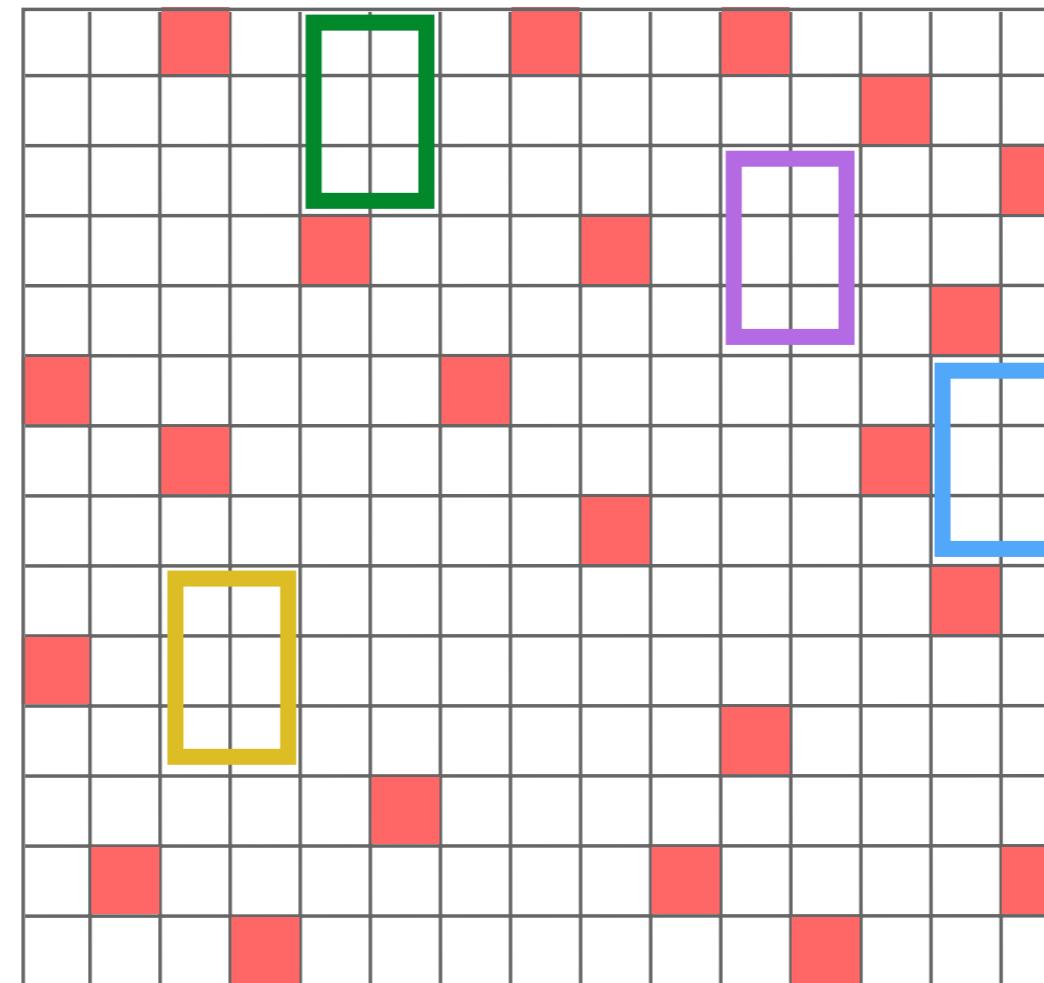
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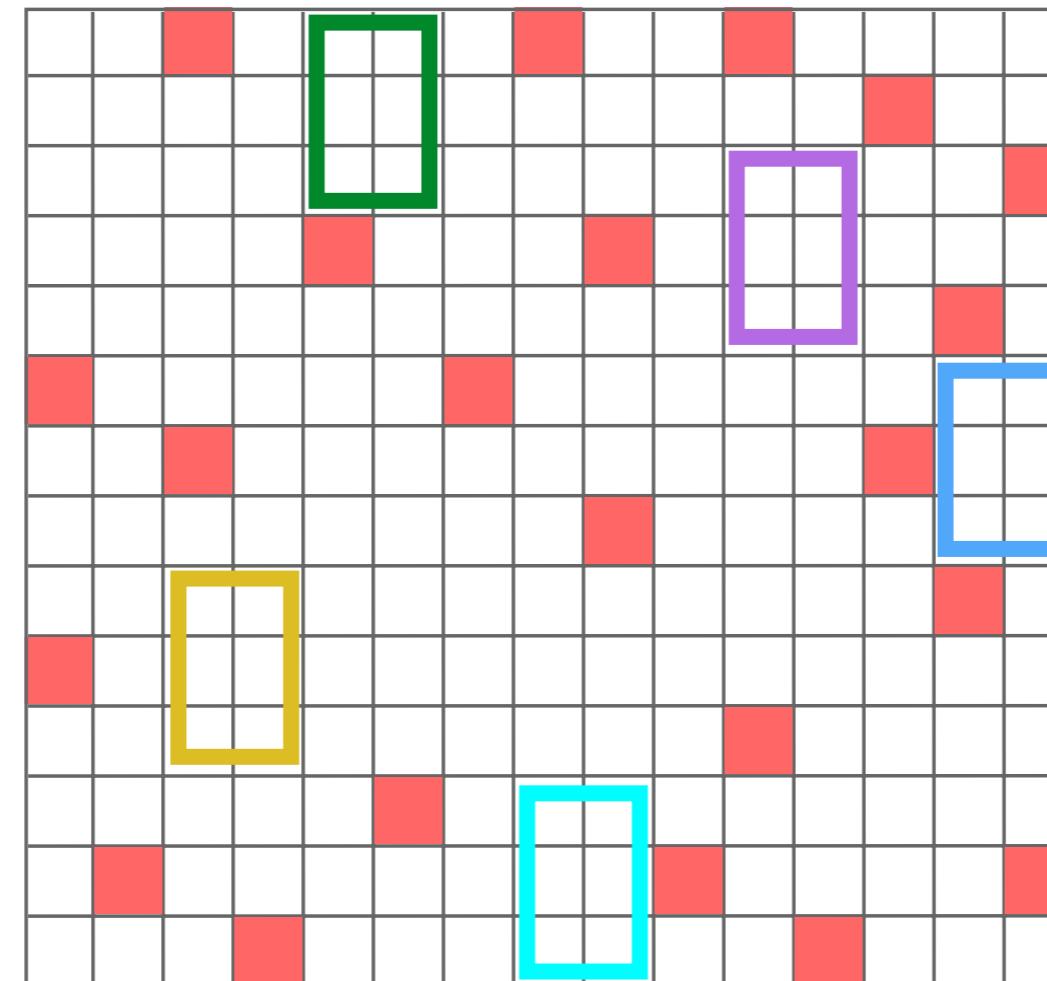
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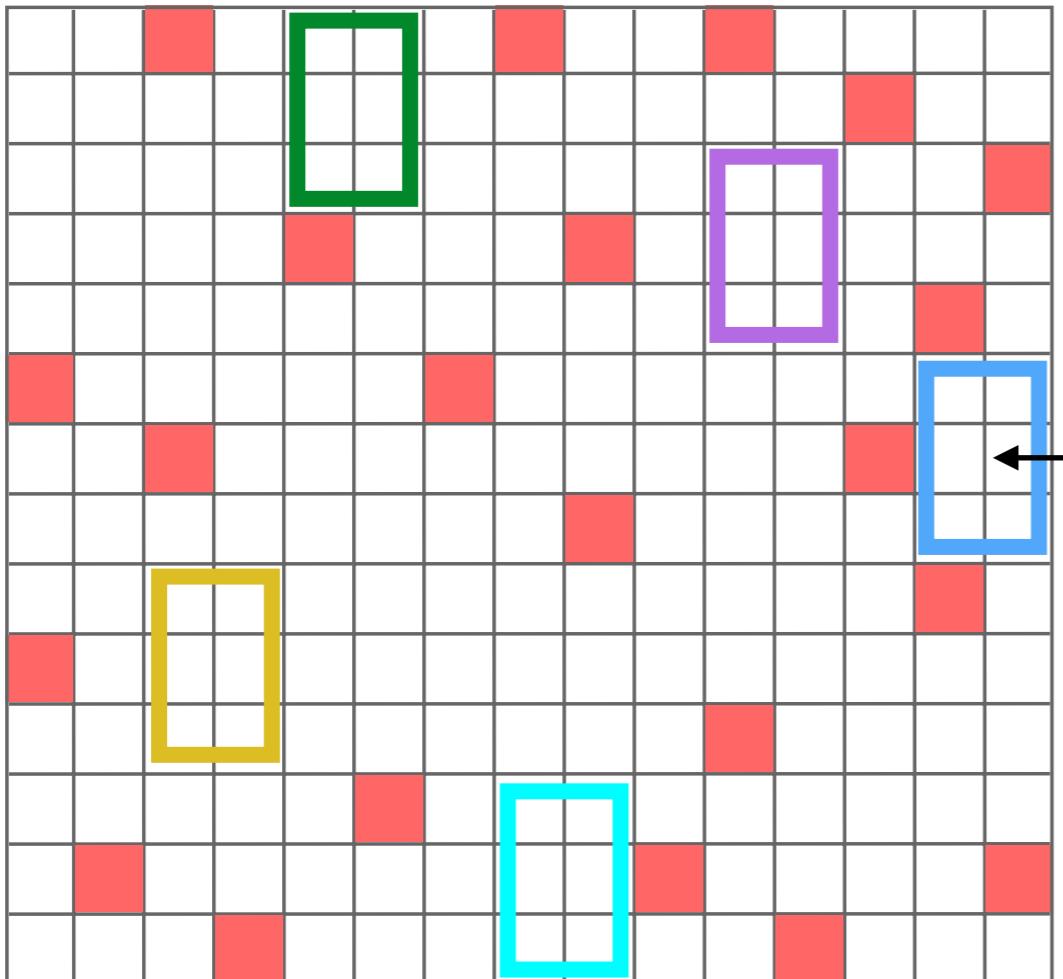
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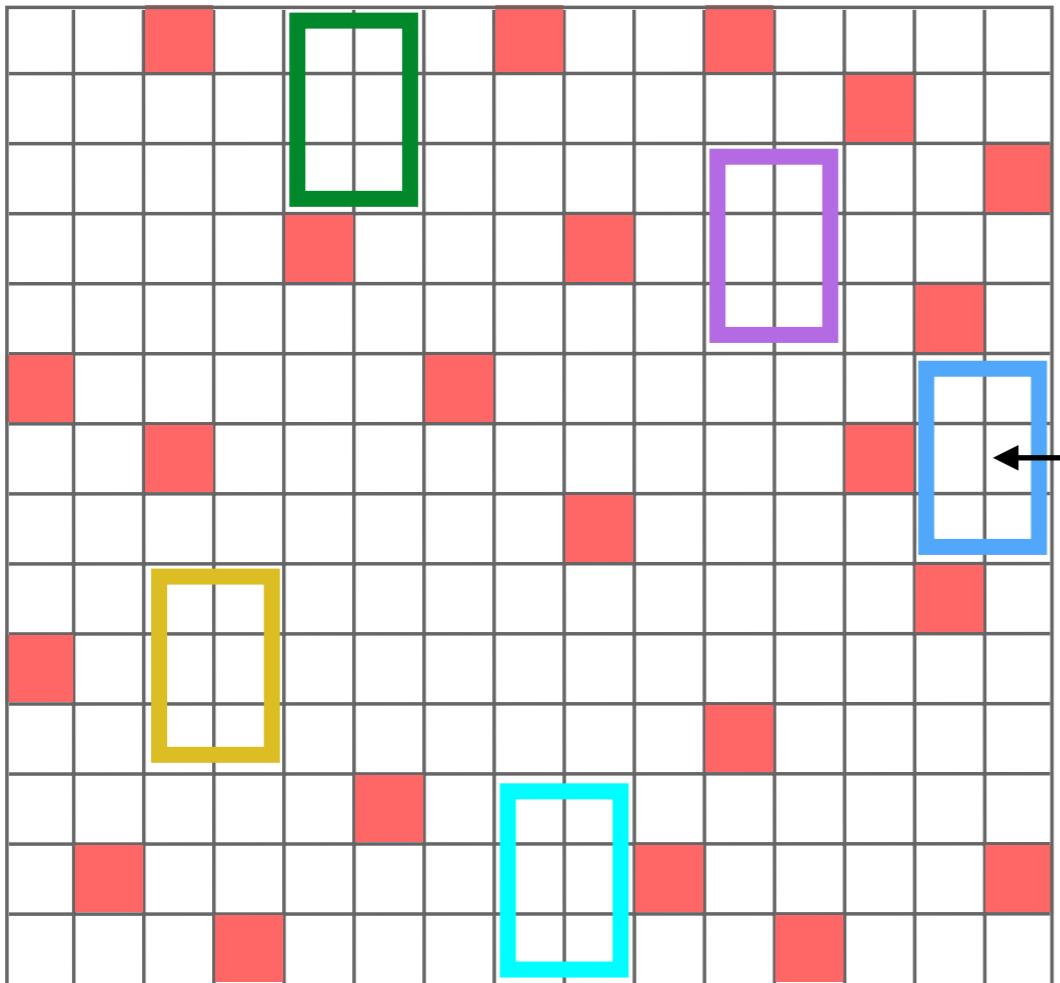
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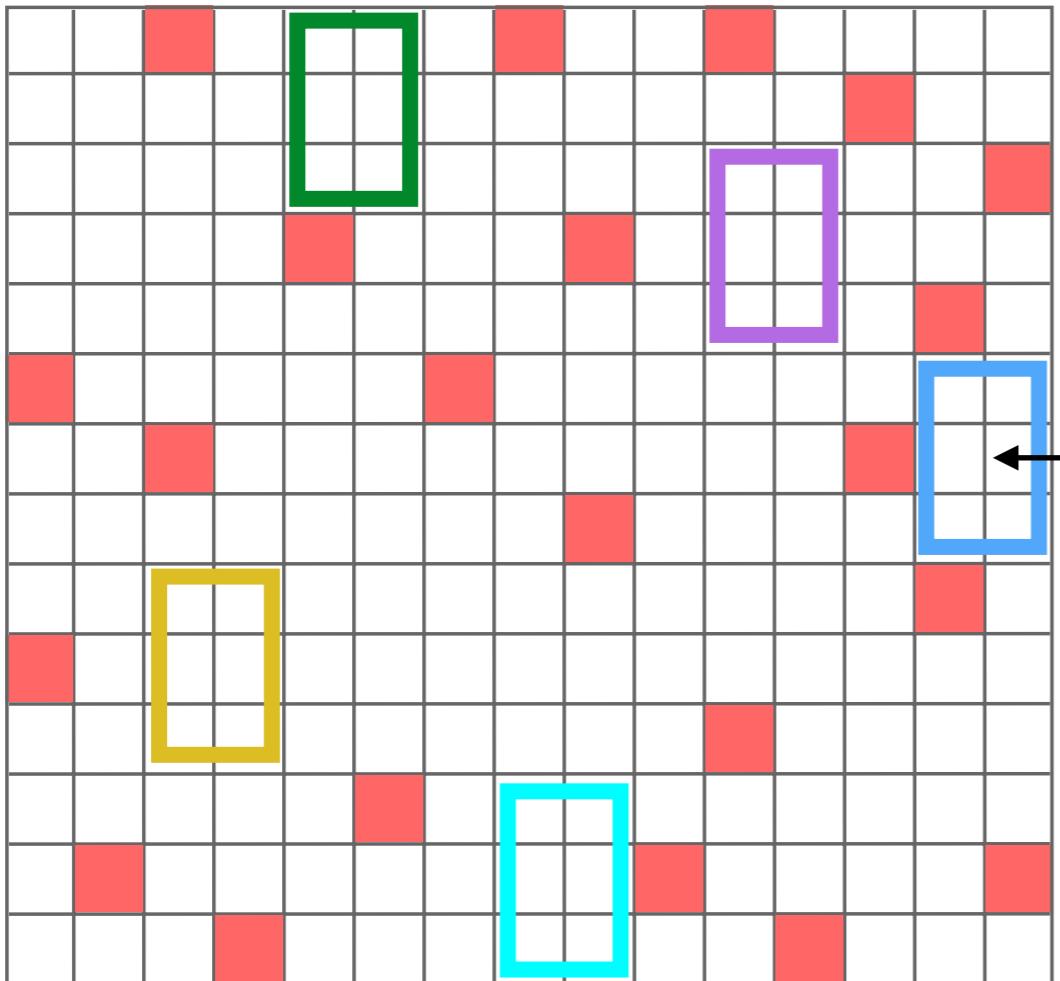
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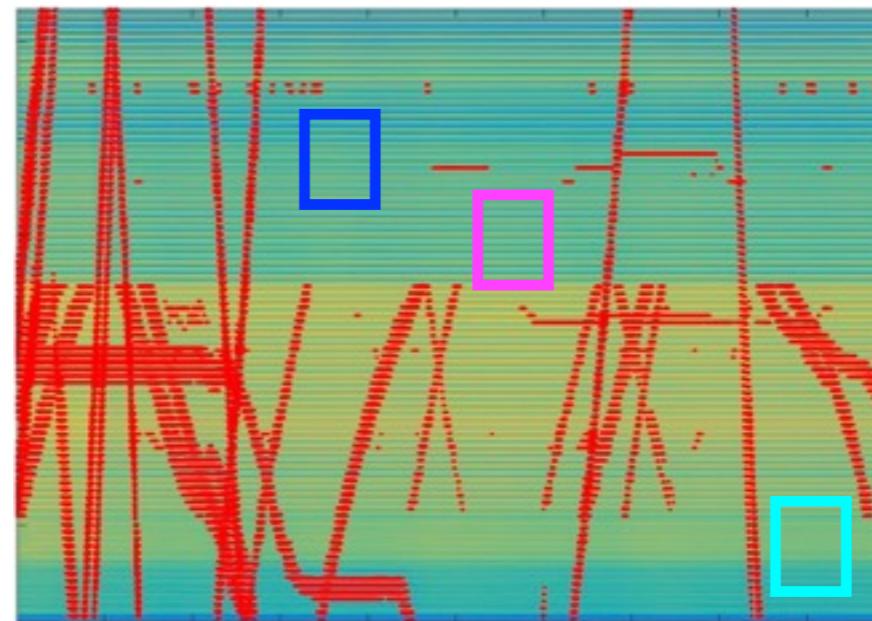
If pieces are *observed in the right places*,
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Use incomplete-data tricks



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If pieces are *observed in the right places*,
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Background segmentation

Original Frame



Our Work

[5] Pimentel et. al (2017)



RPCA-ALM

RPCA-ALM (Lin et. al, 2011-2016)



In many cases, similar results

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In other cases, better

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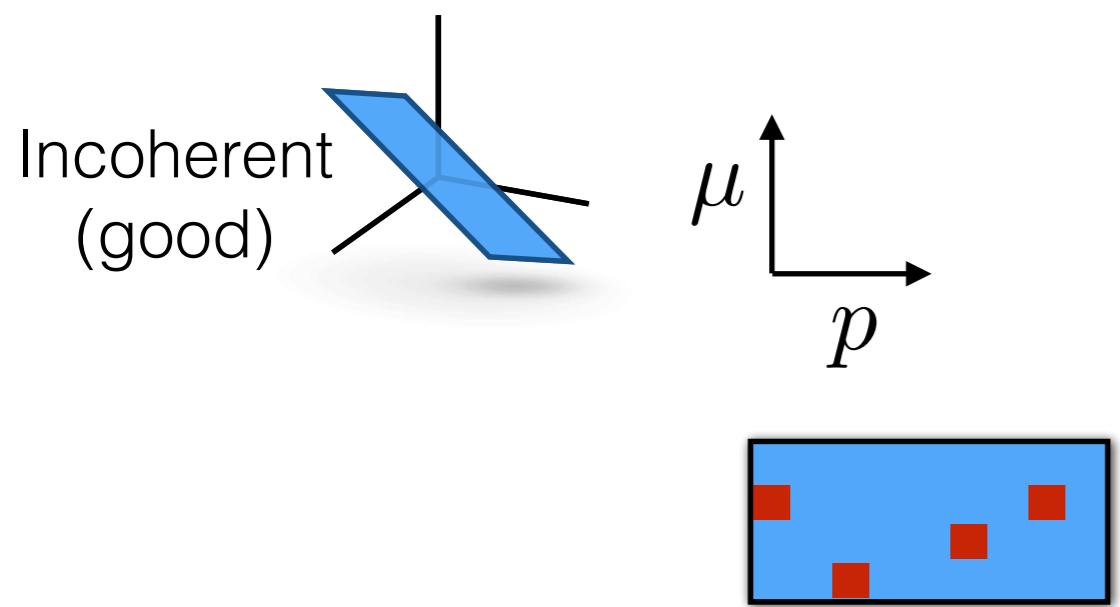
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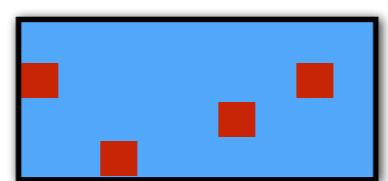
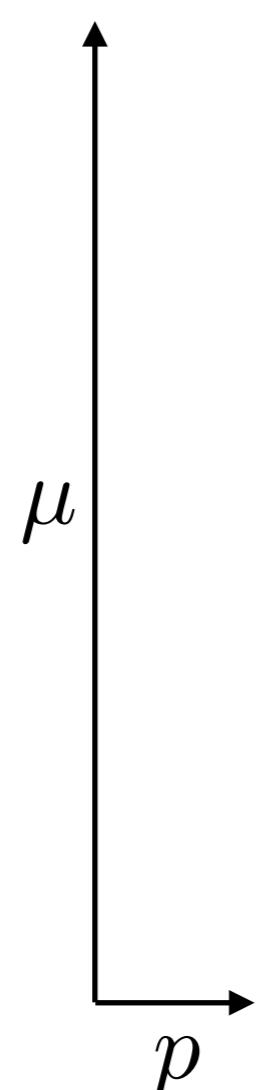
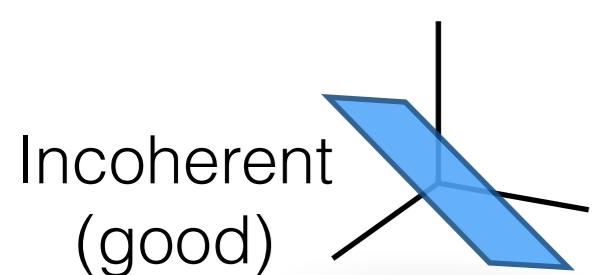
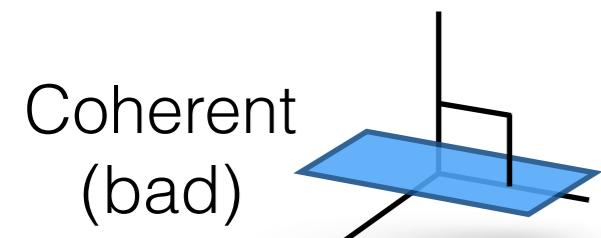
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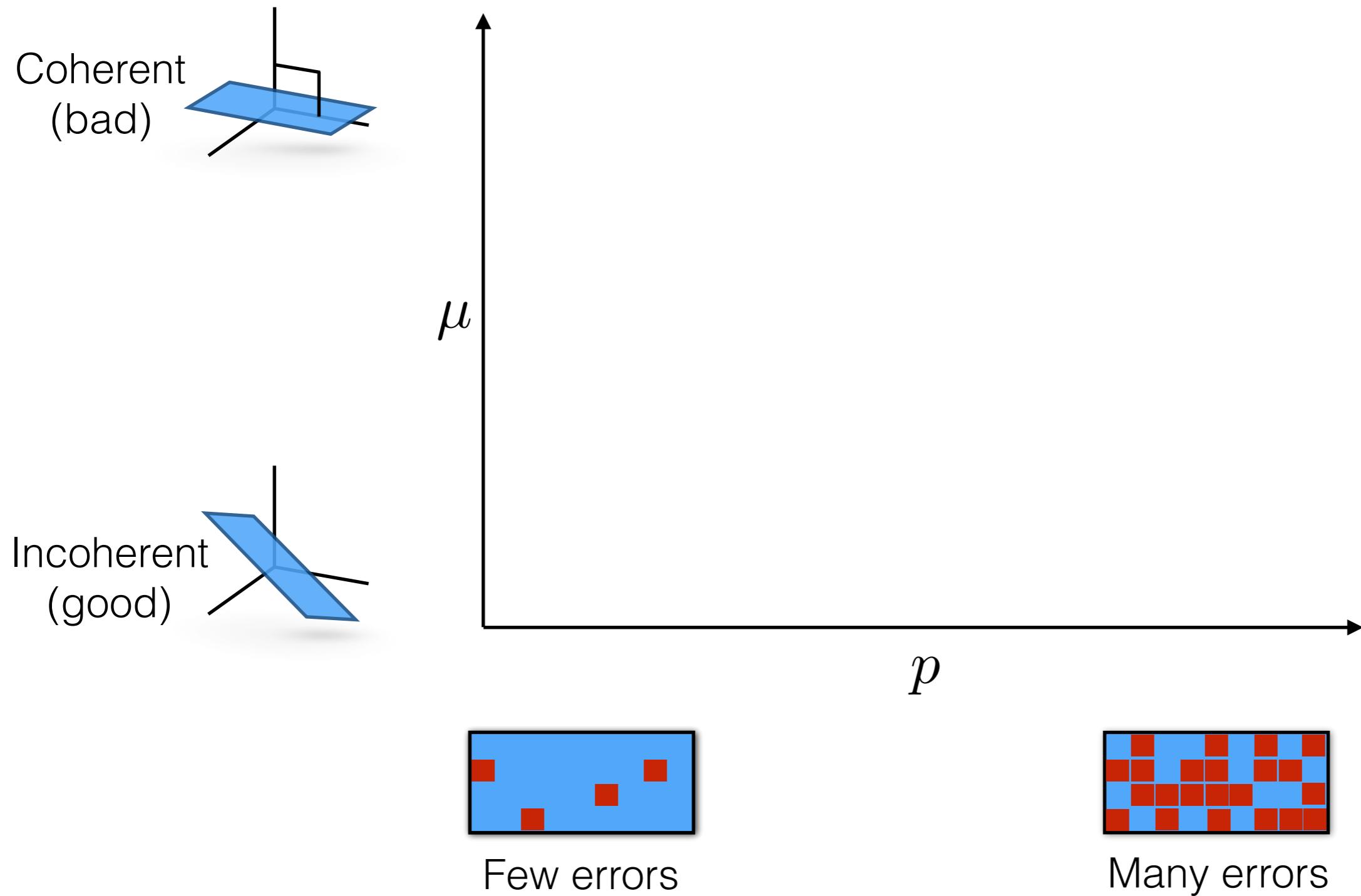


Performance Analysis



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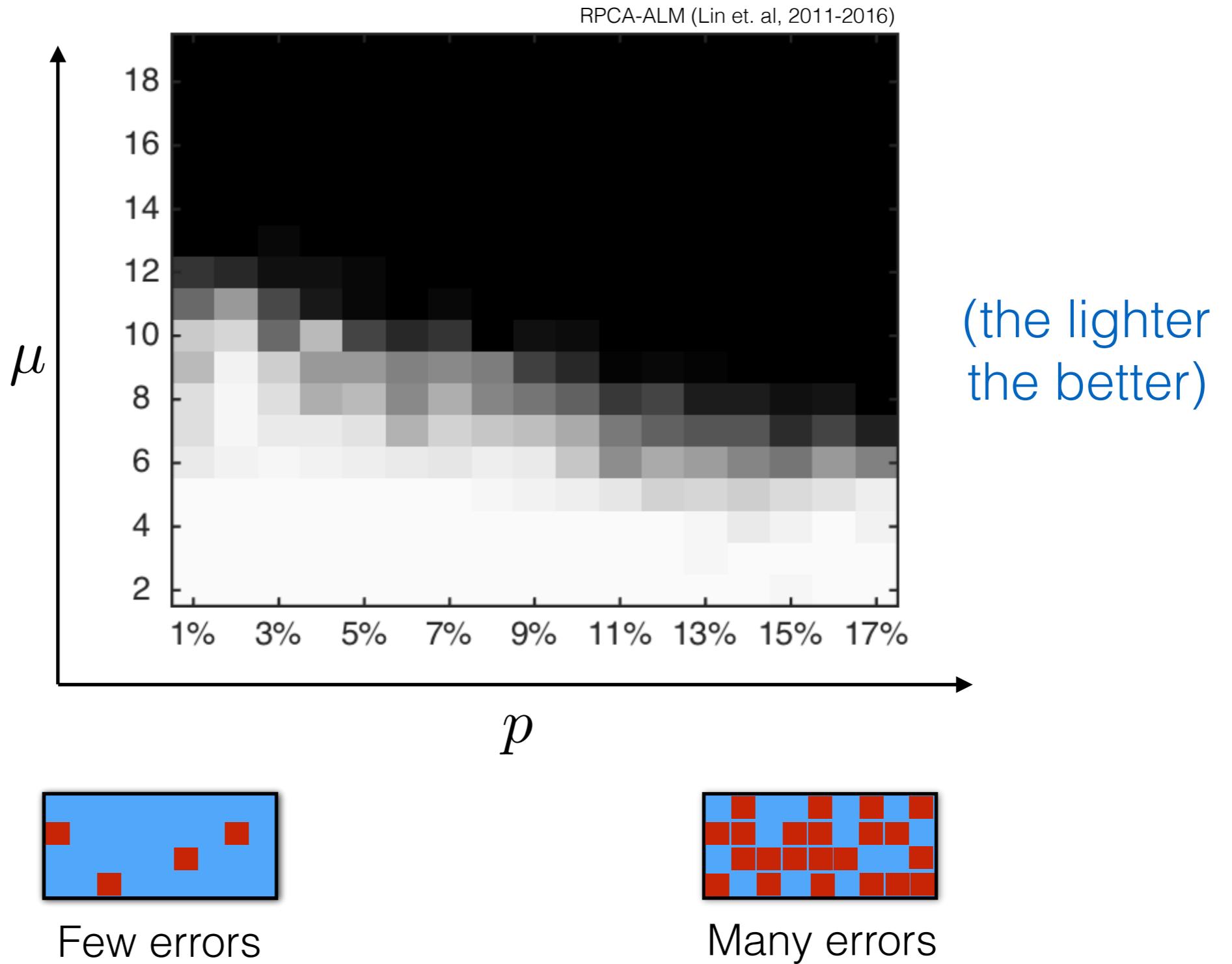
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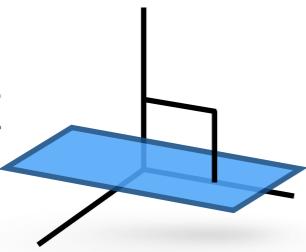
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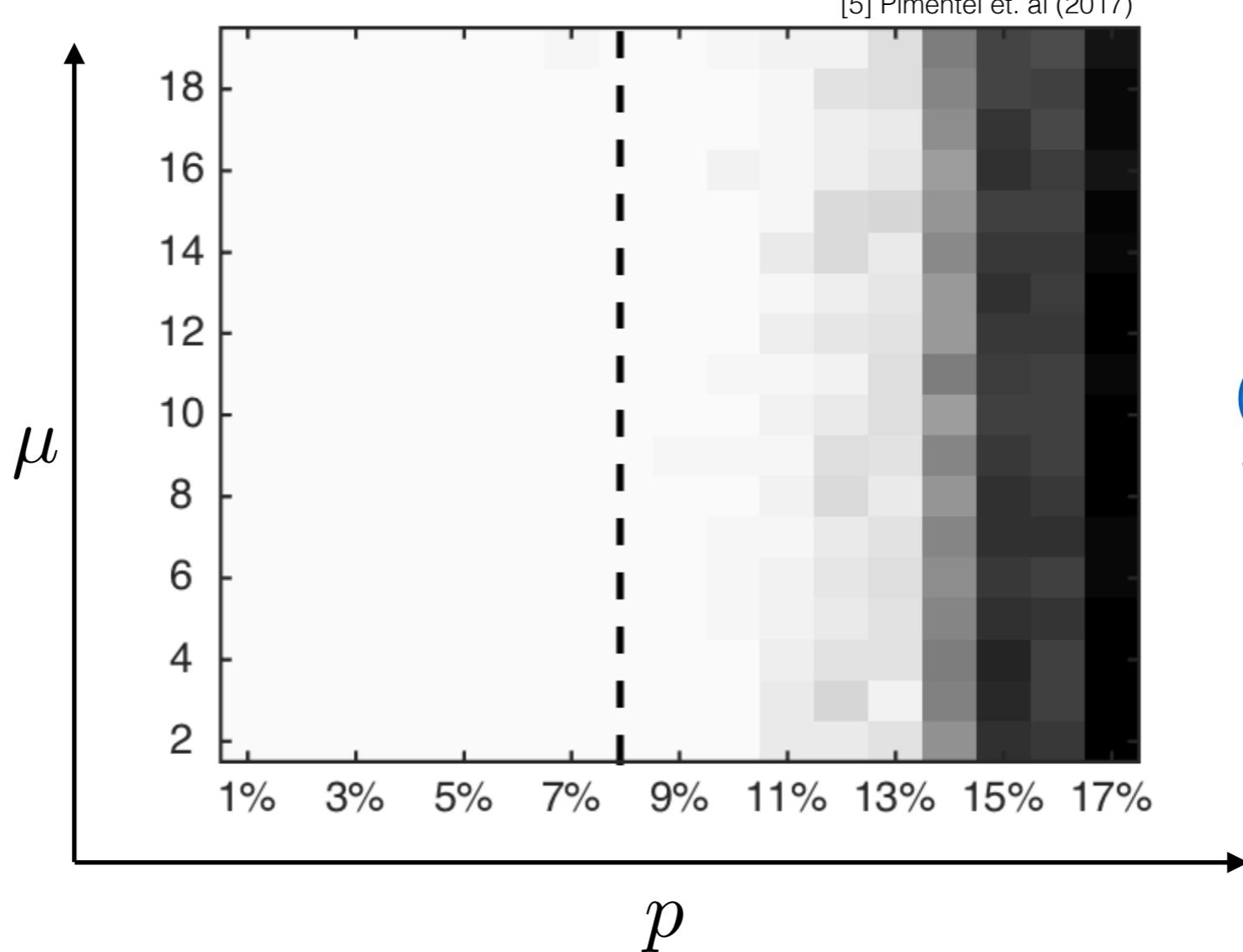
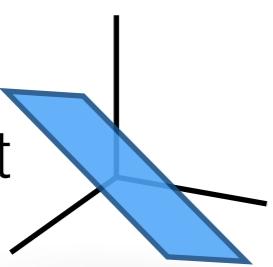
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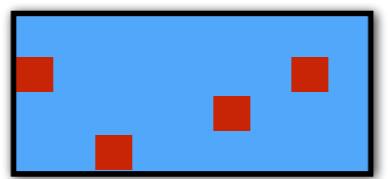
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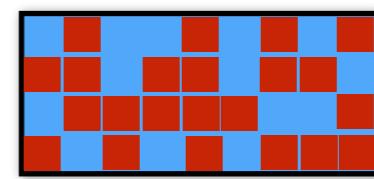
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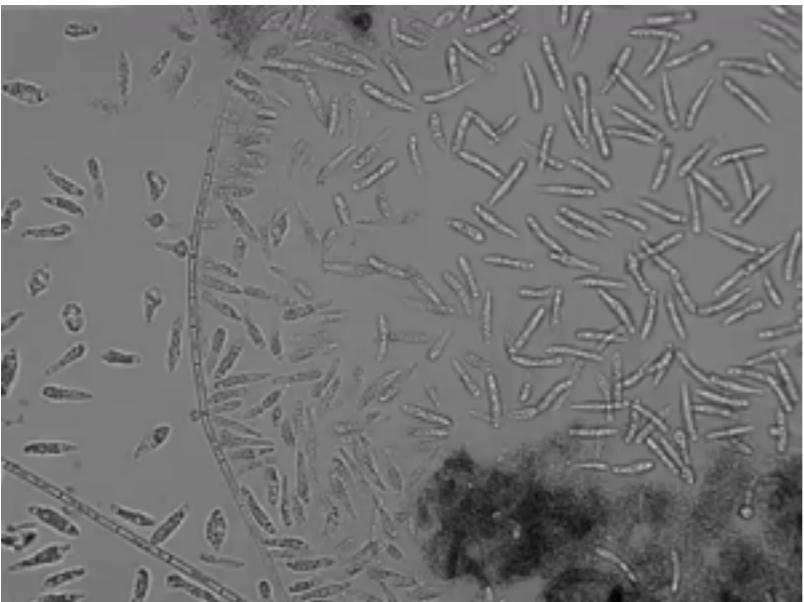
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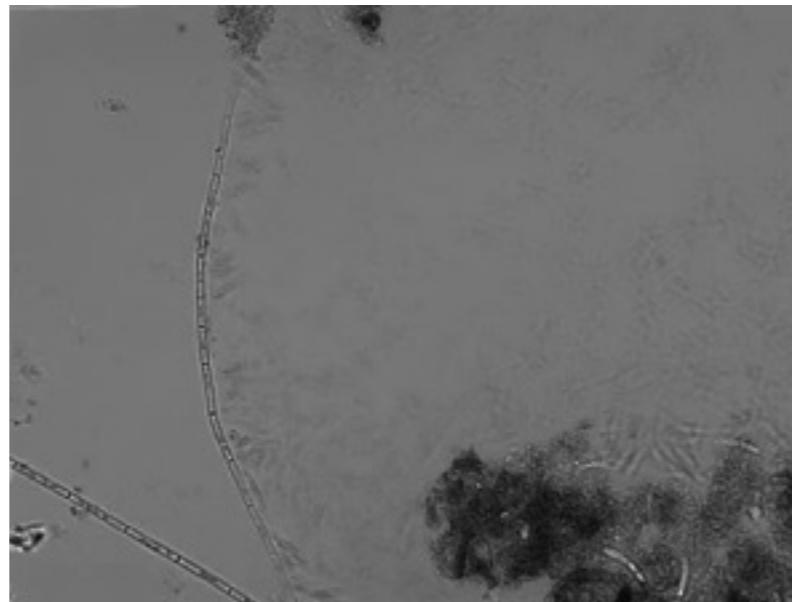
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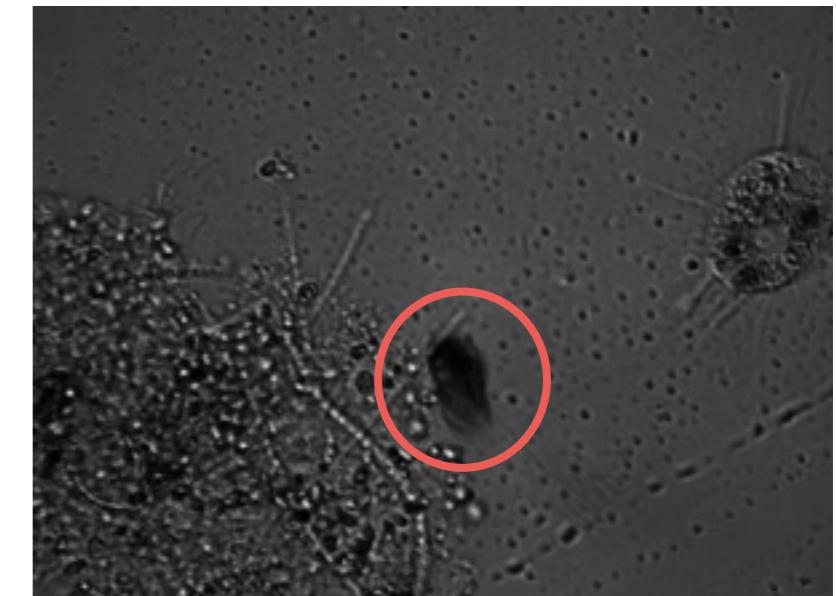
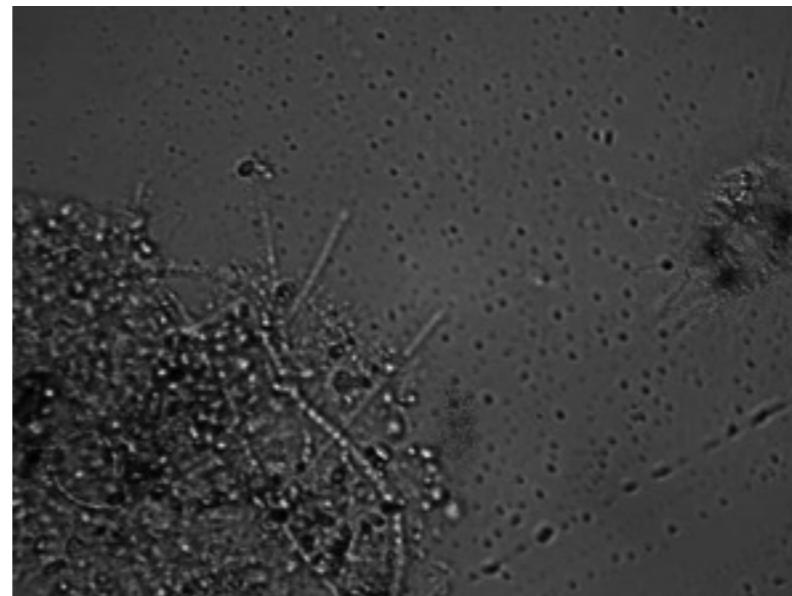
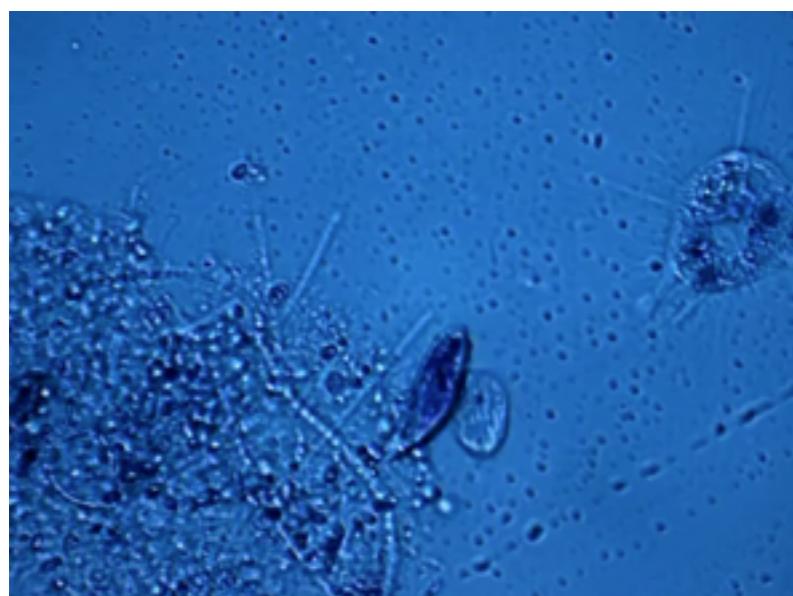
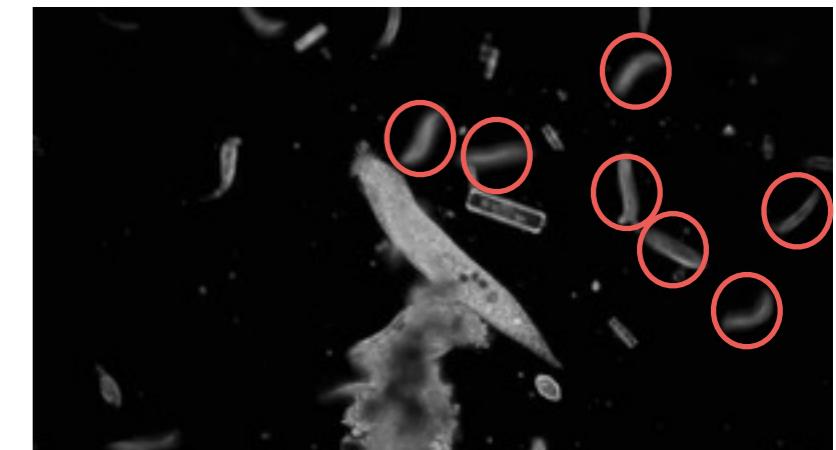
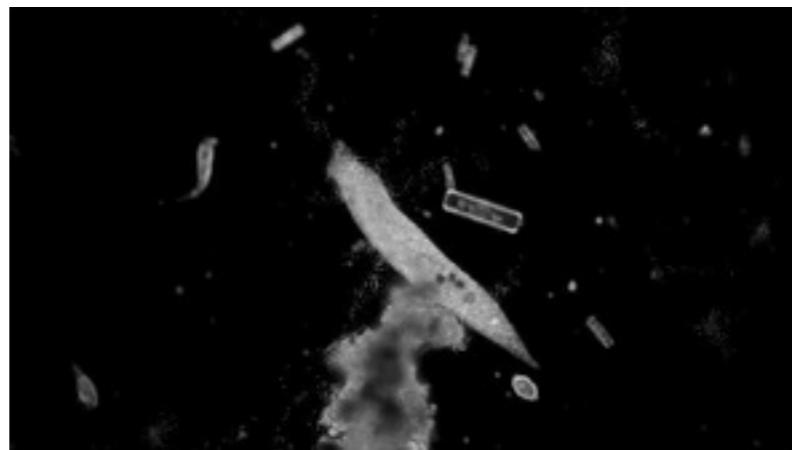
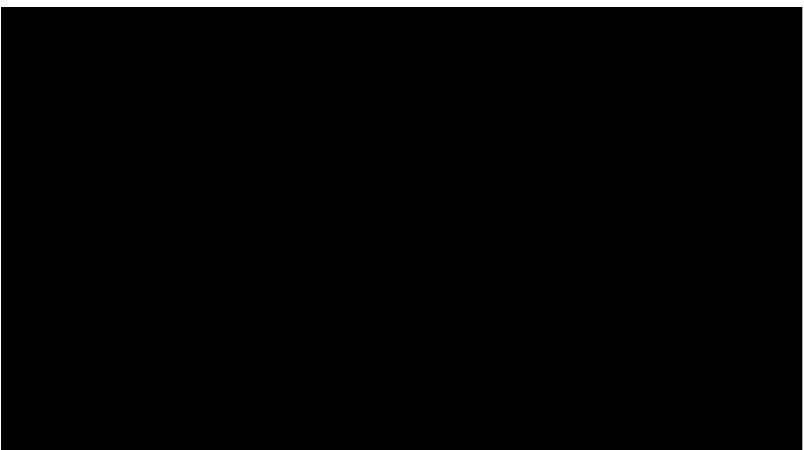
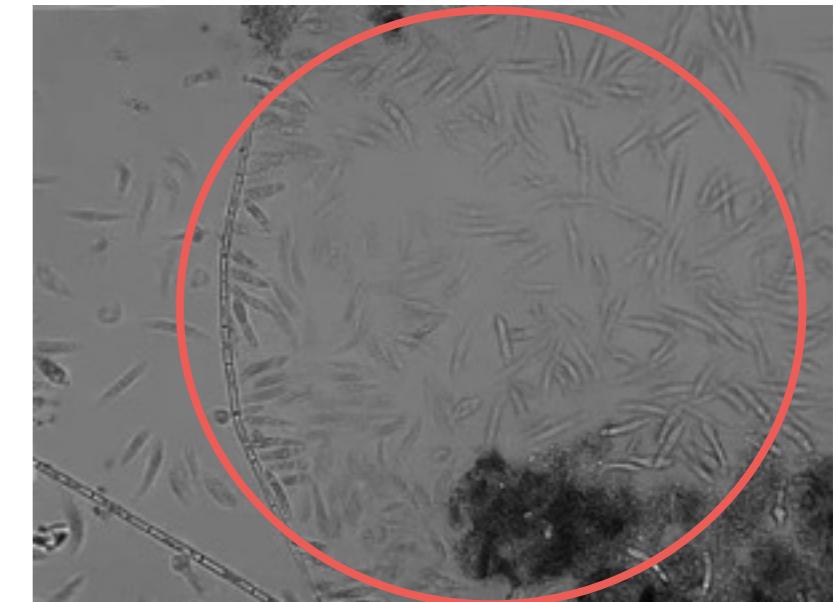
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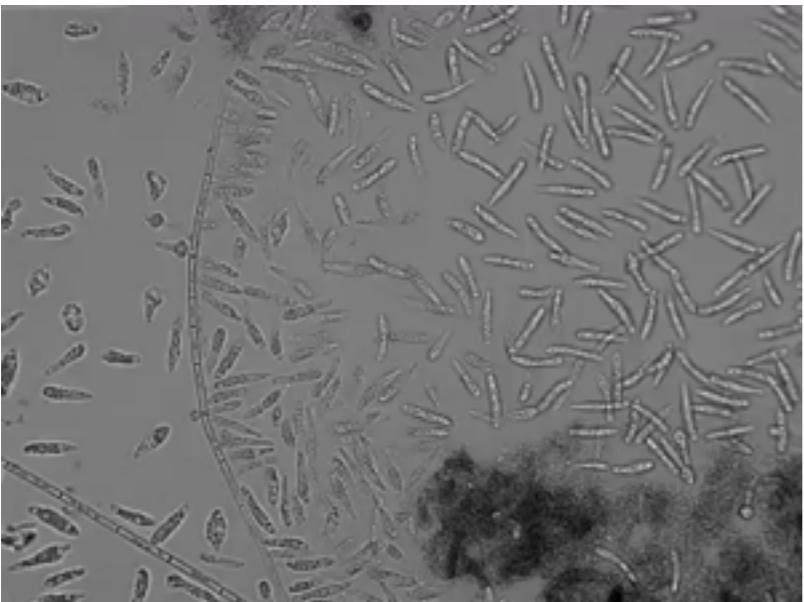


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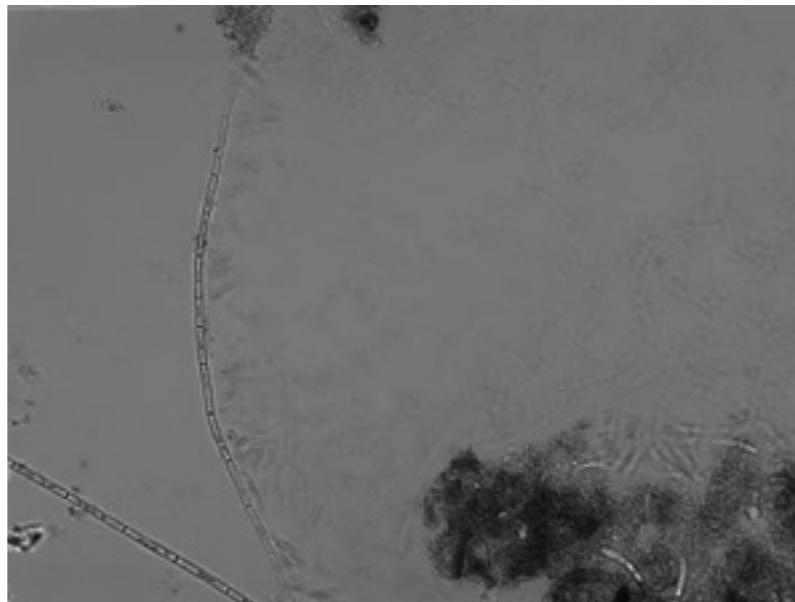


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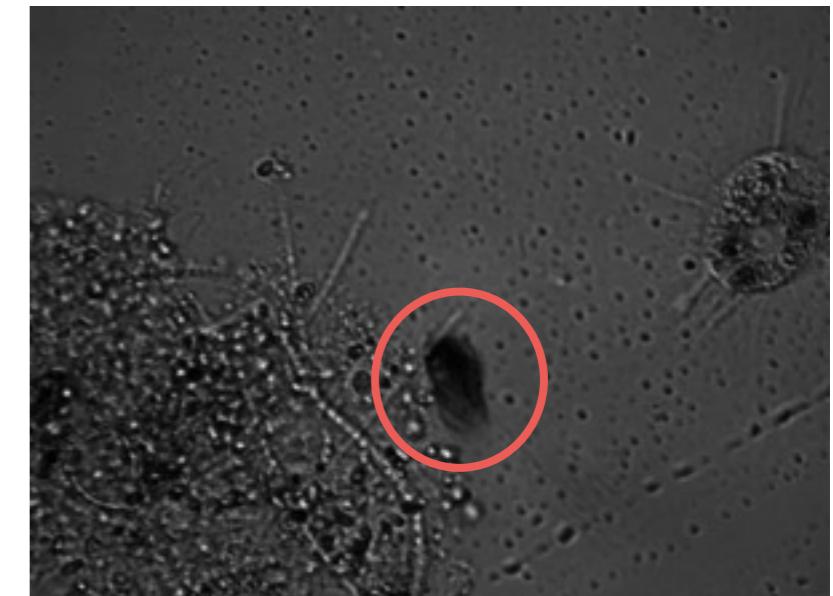
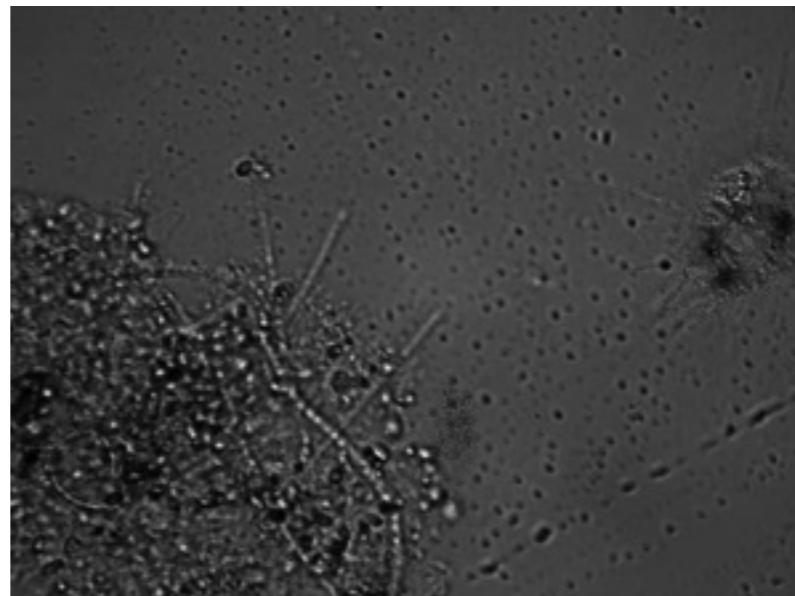
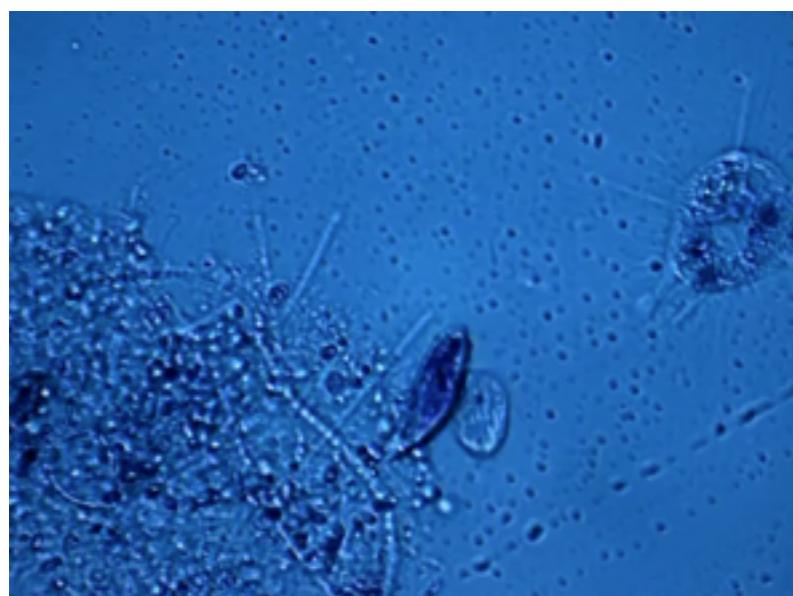
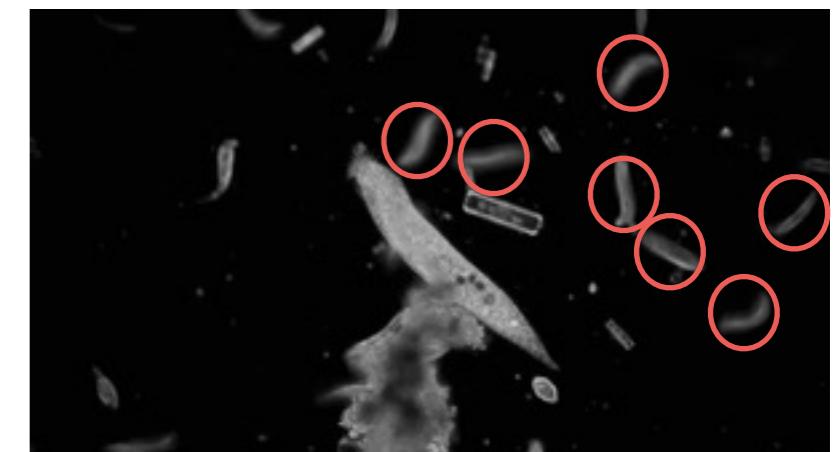
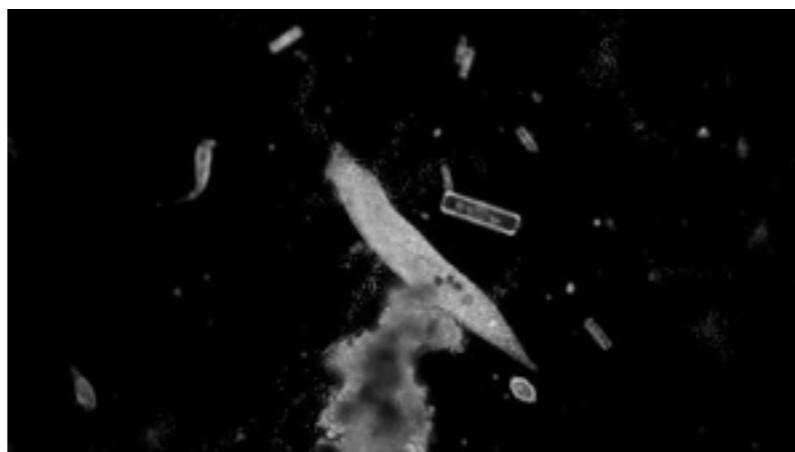
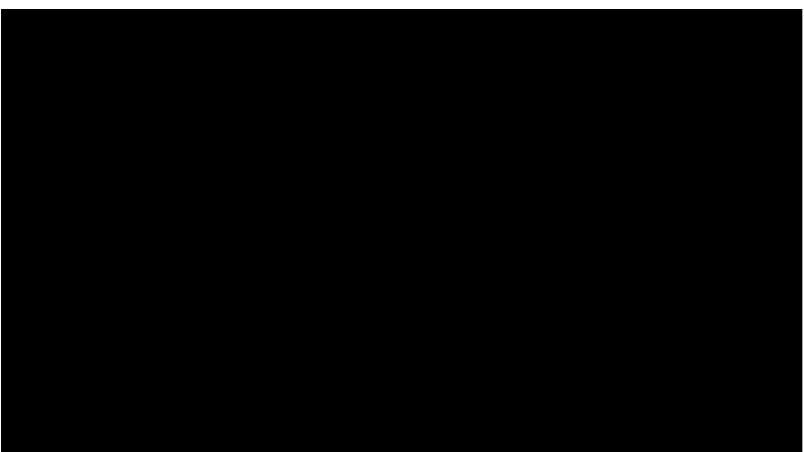
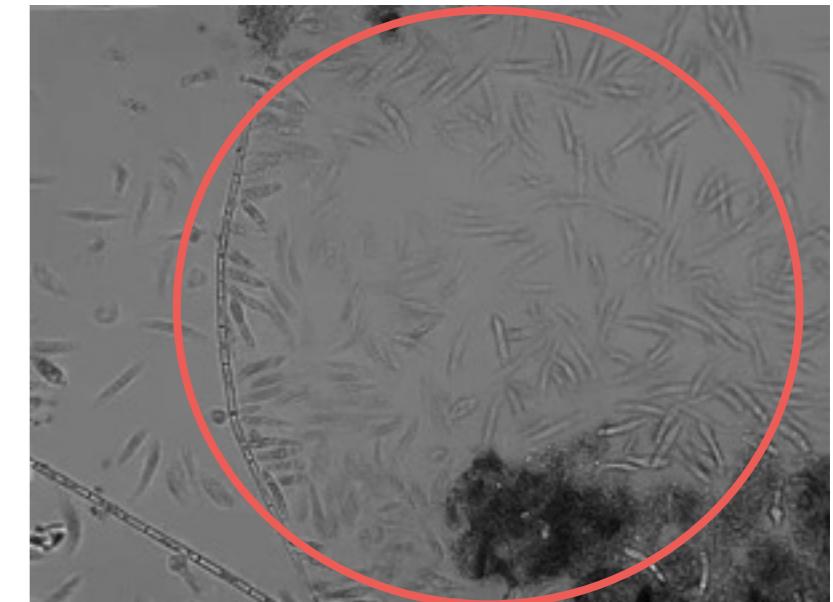
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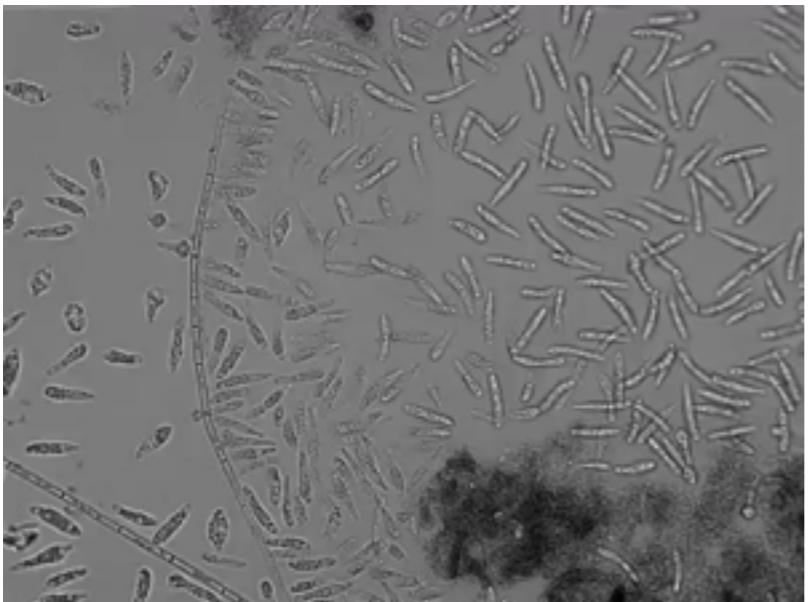


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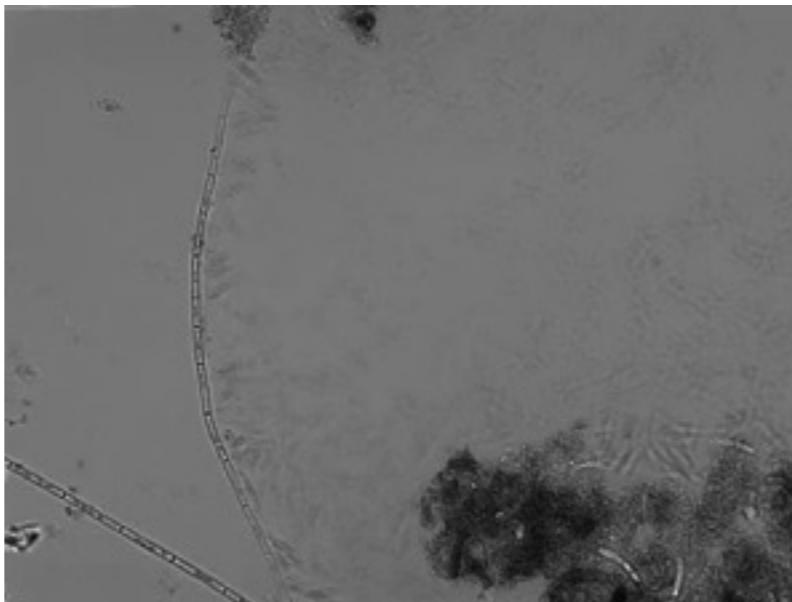


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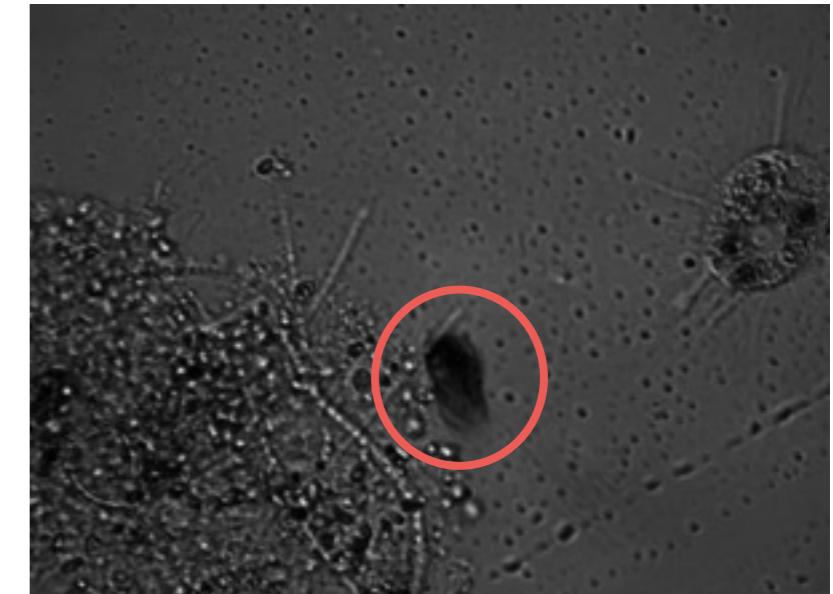
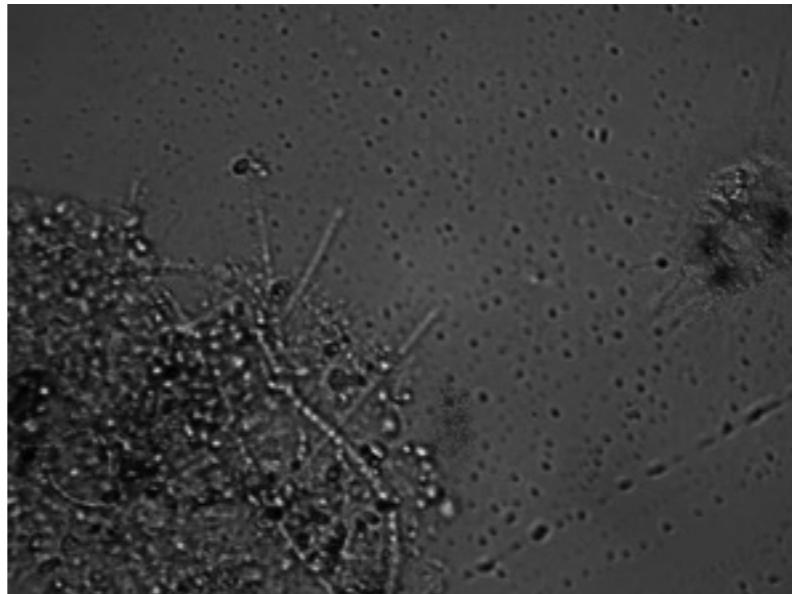
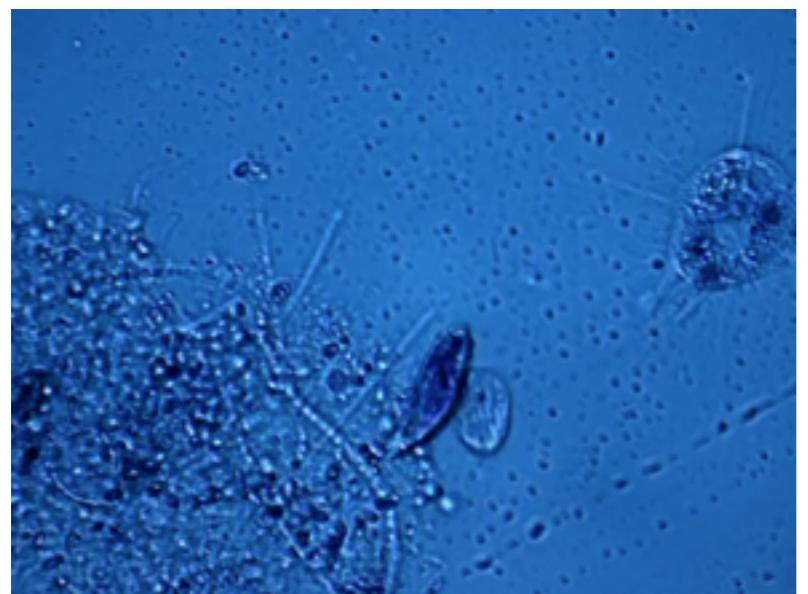
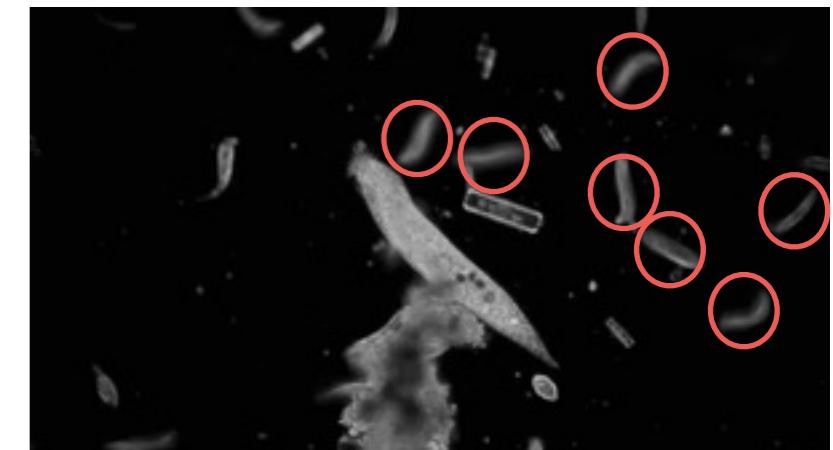
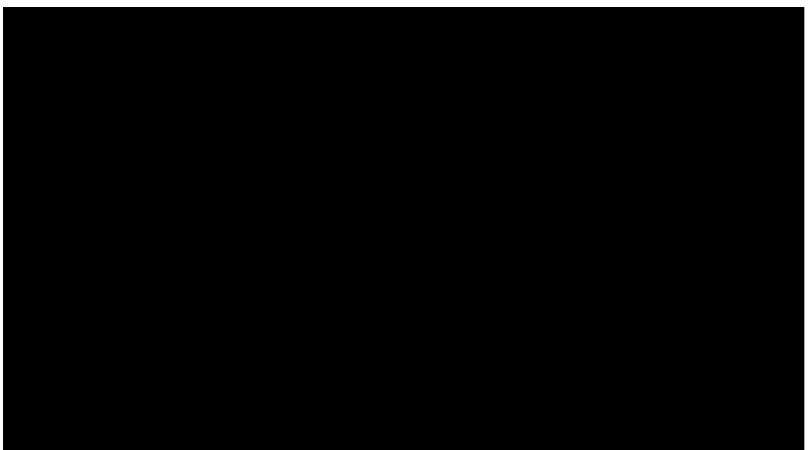
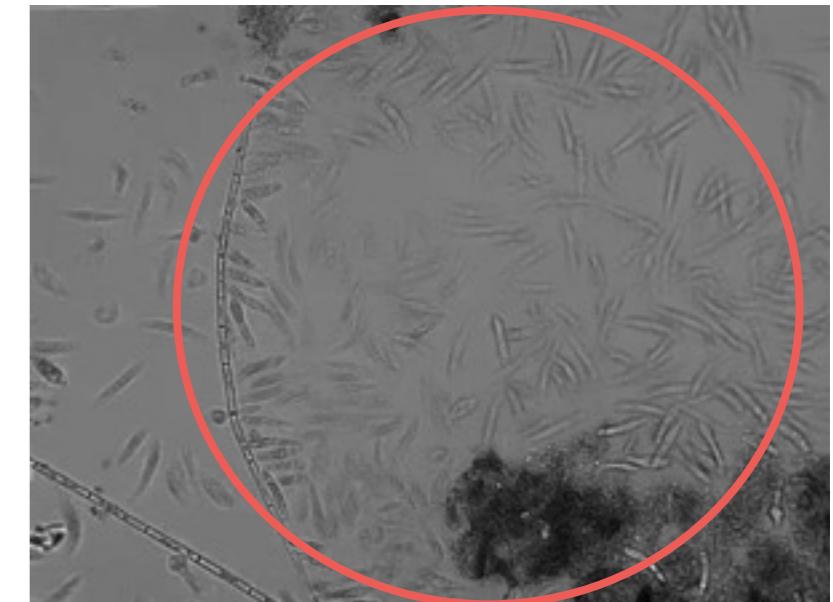
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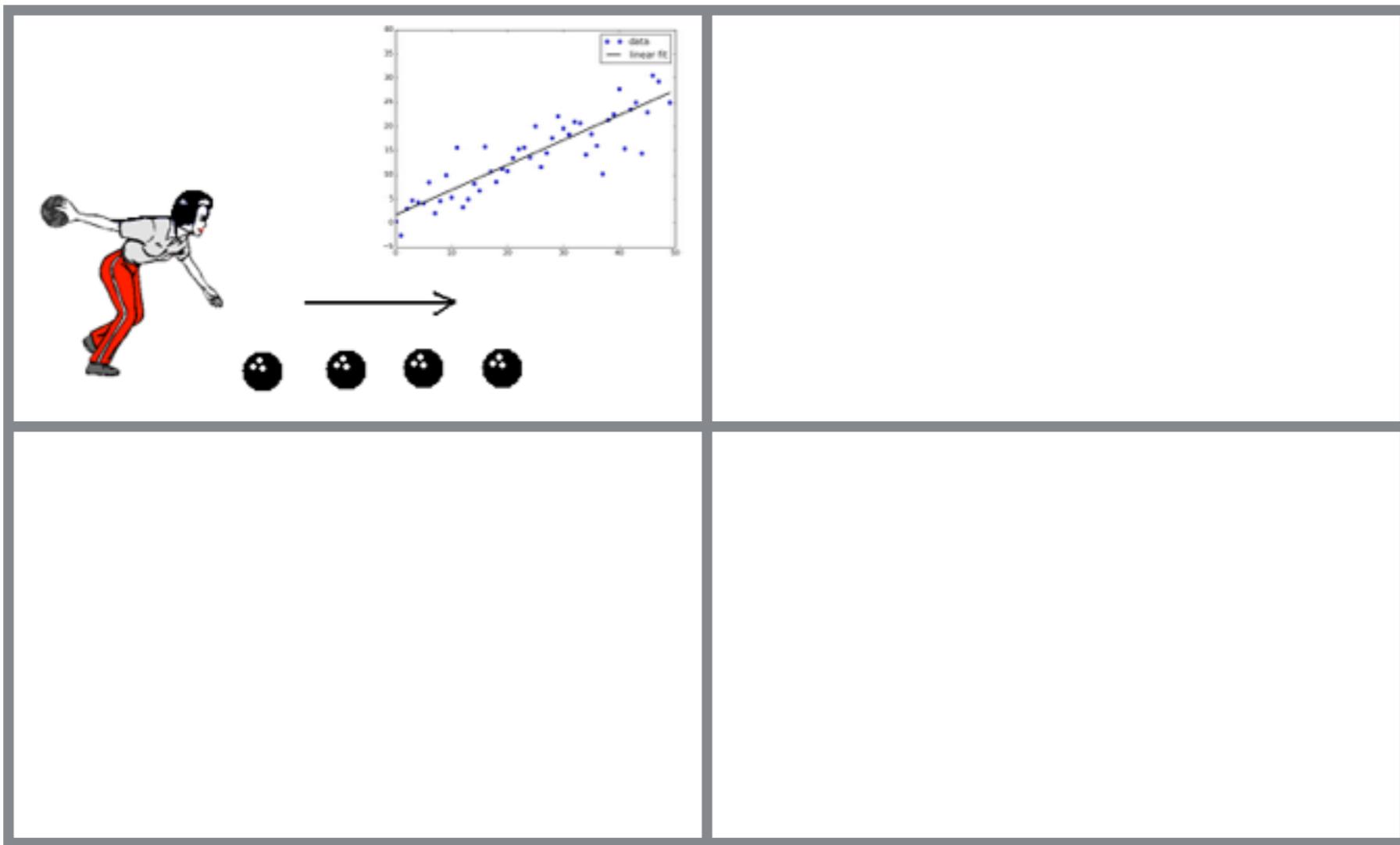


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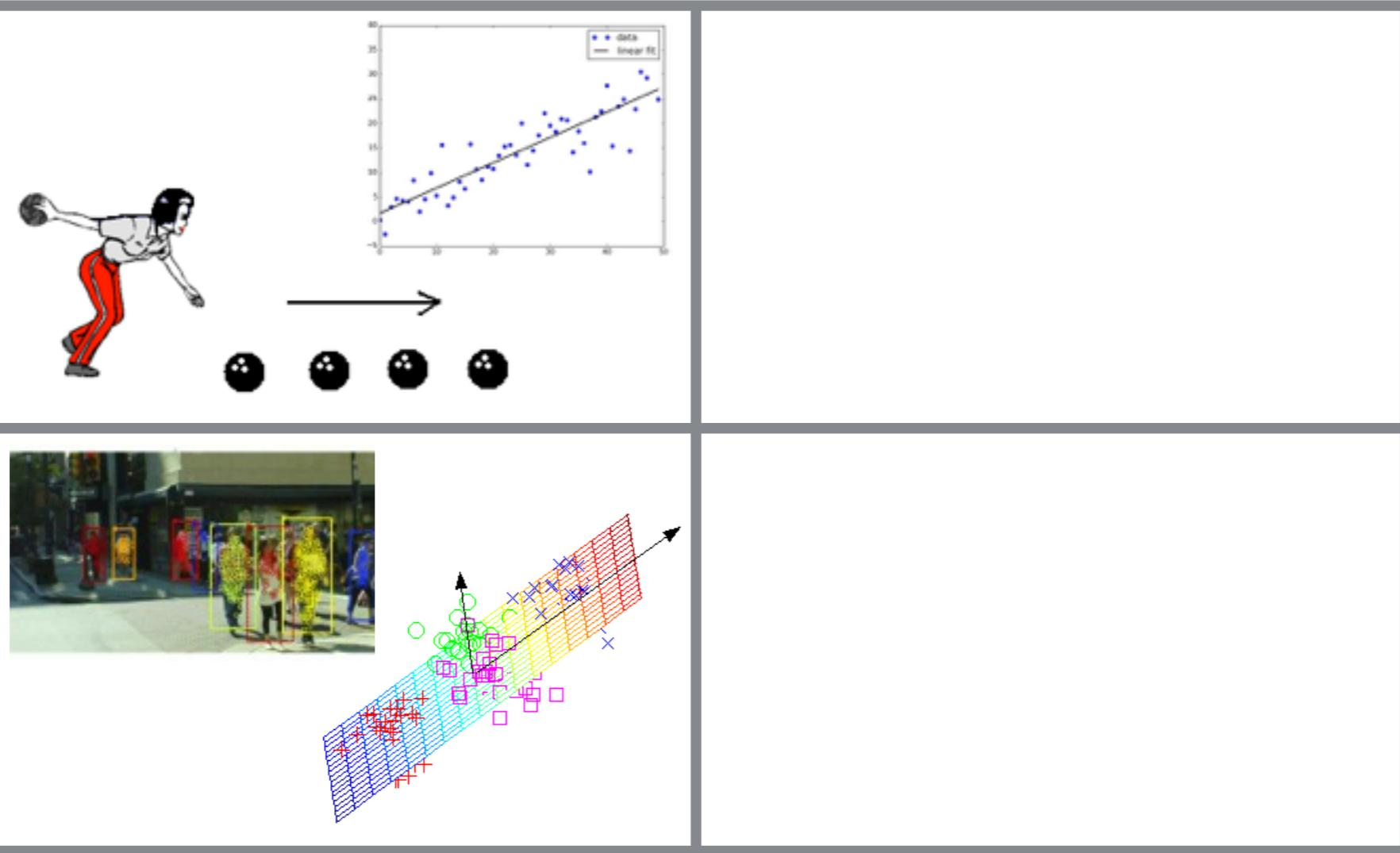


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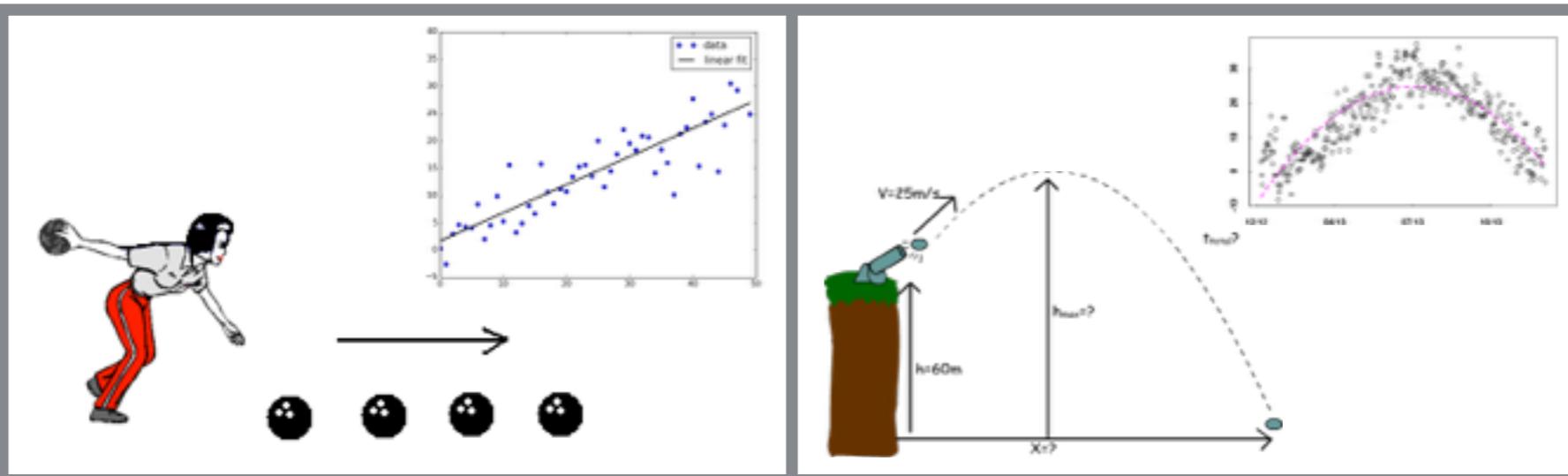


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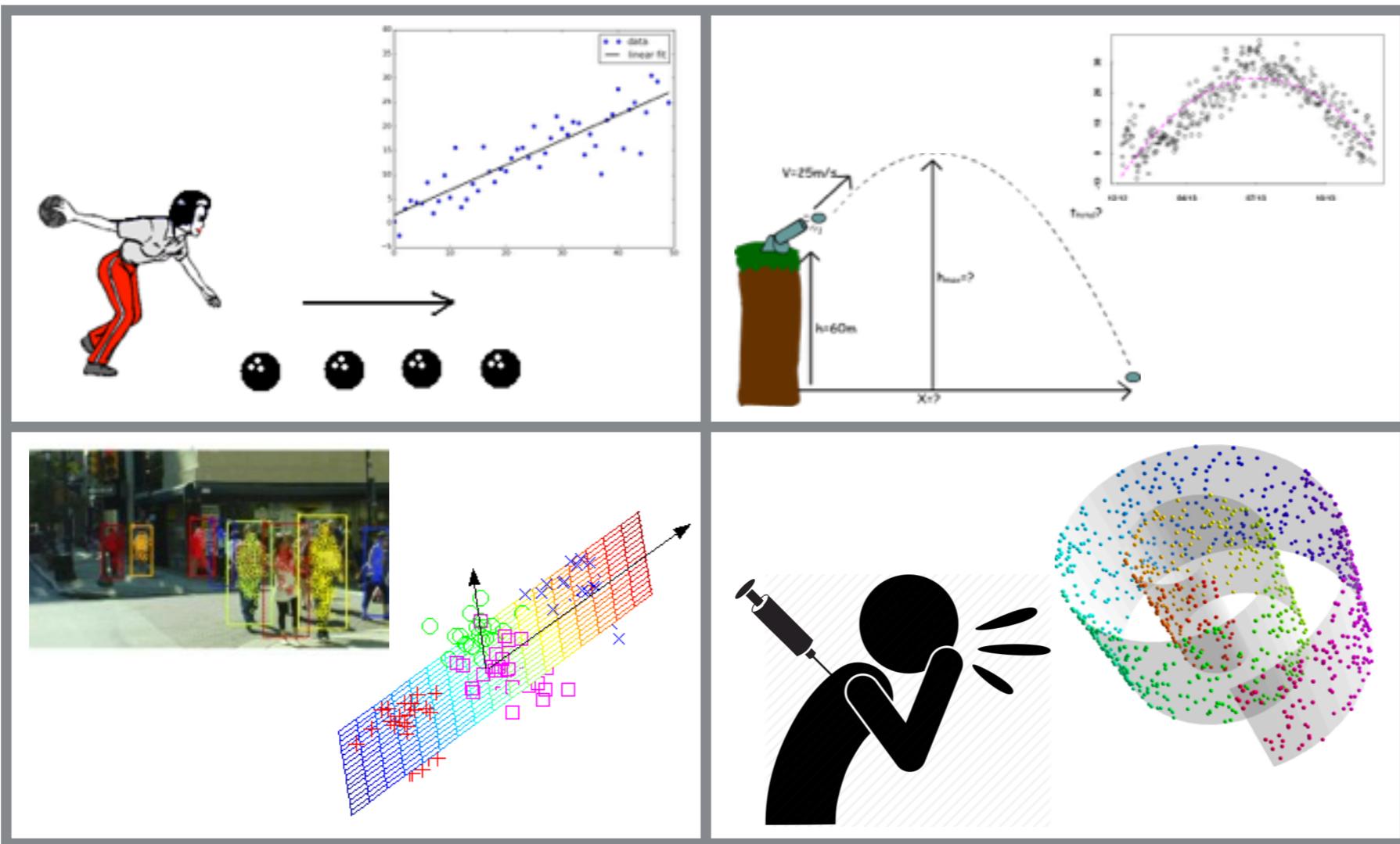
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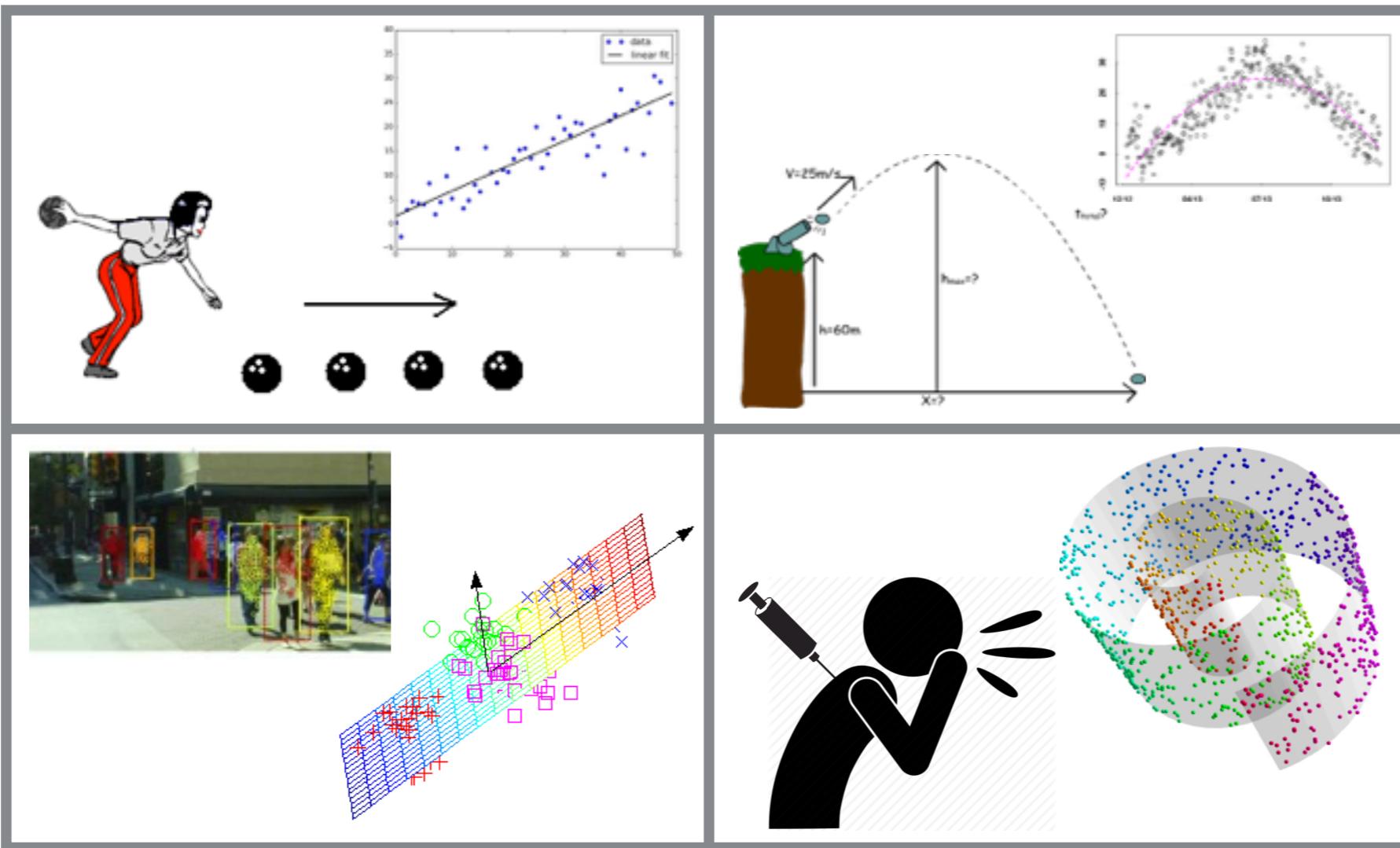


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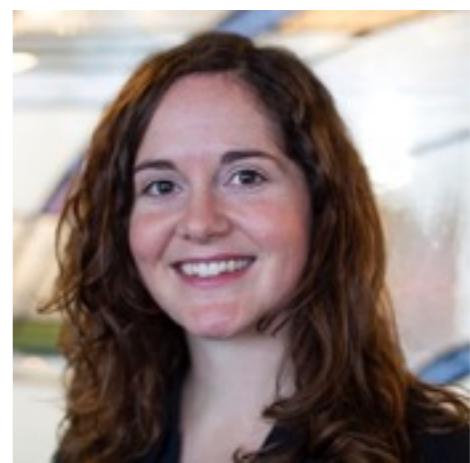
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