

# Locality-sensitive hashing

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# Overview of this lecture

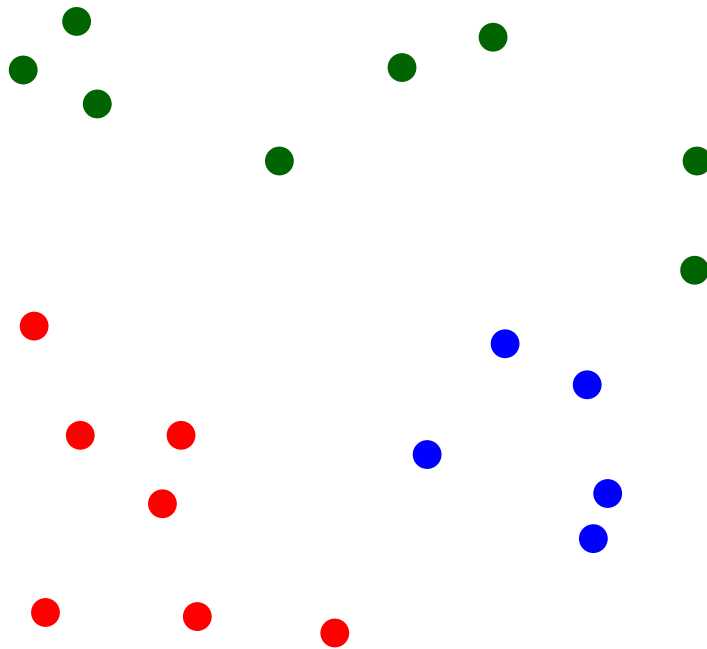
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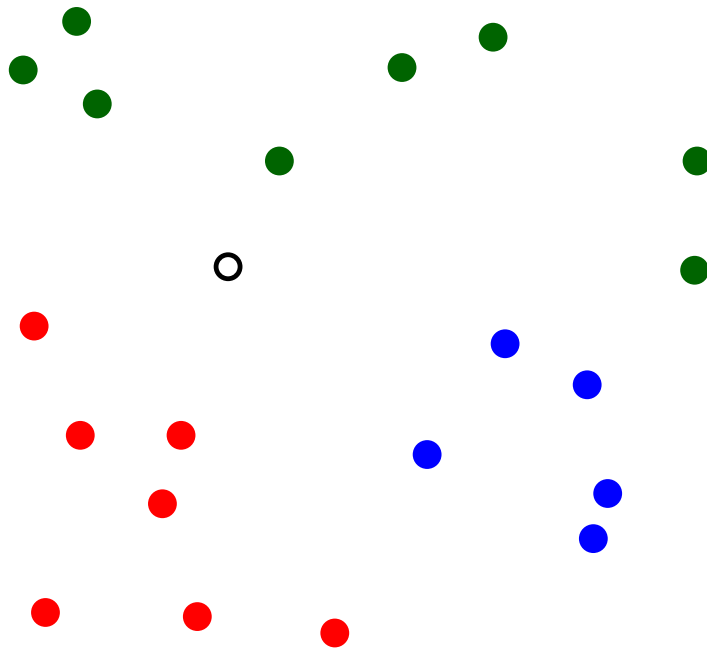
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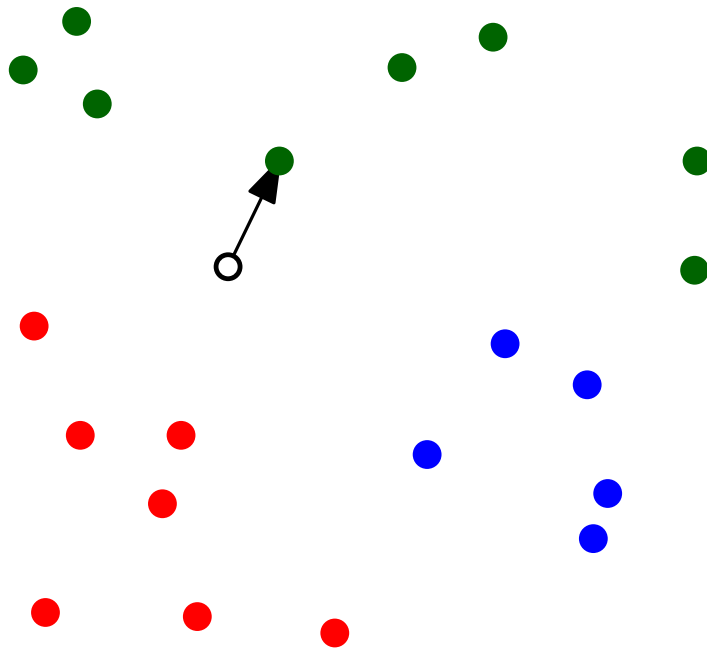
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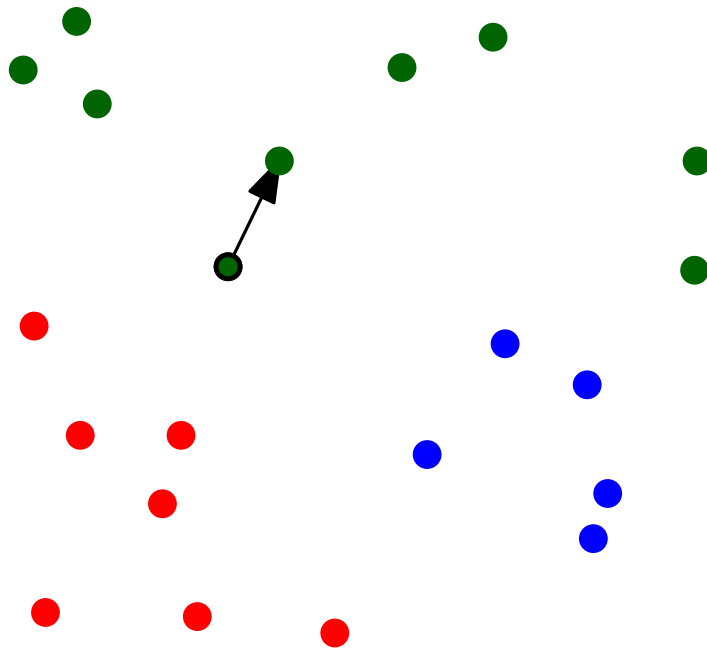
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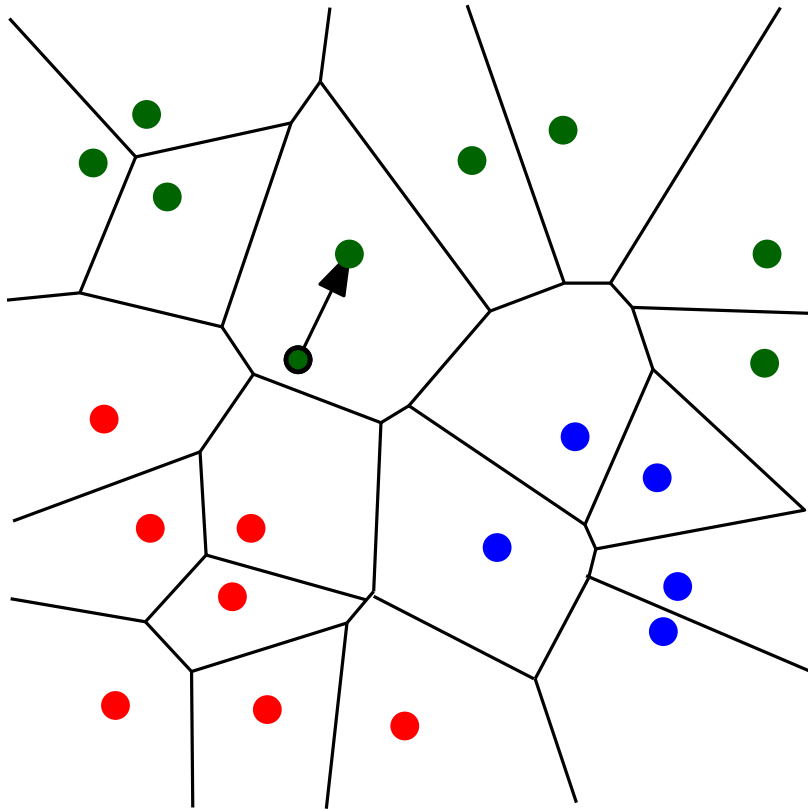
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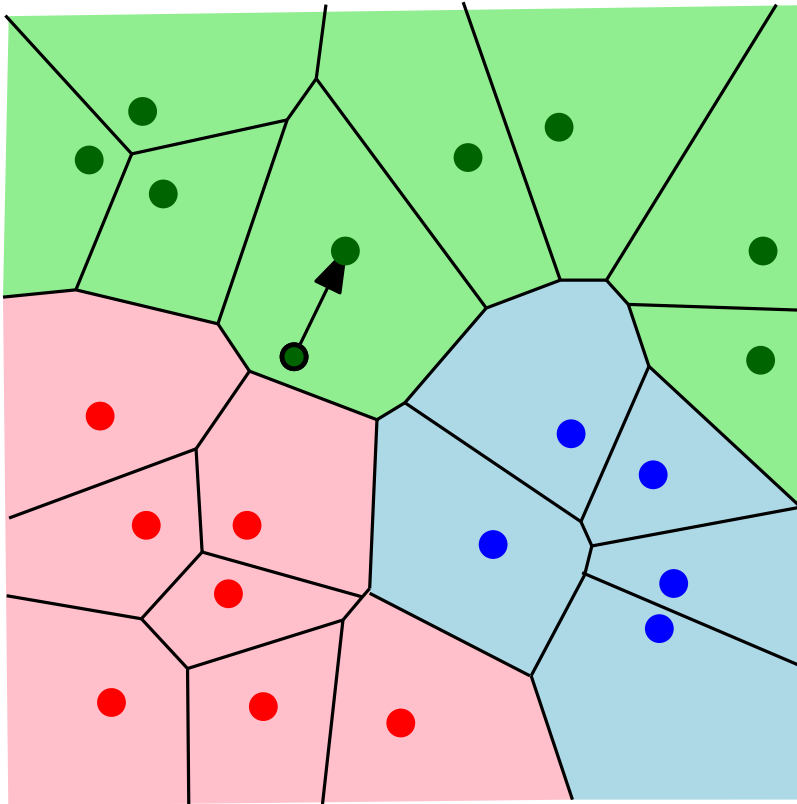
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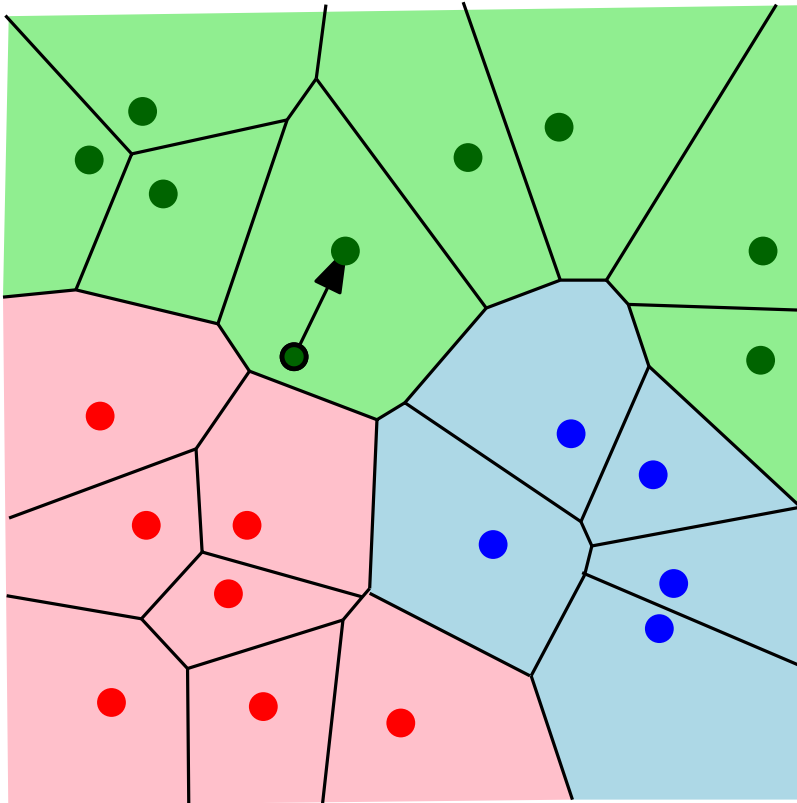
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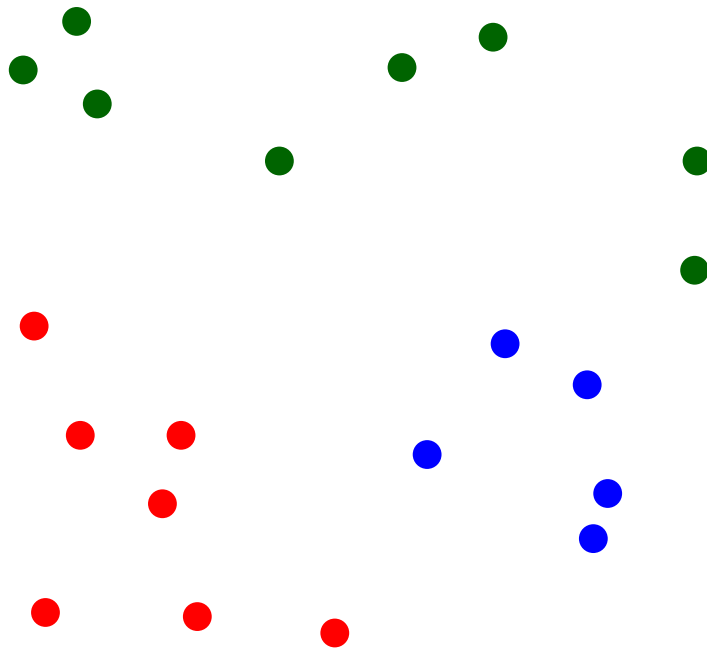


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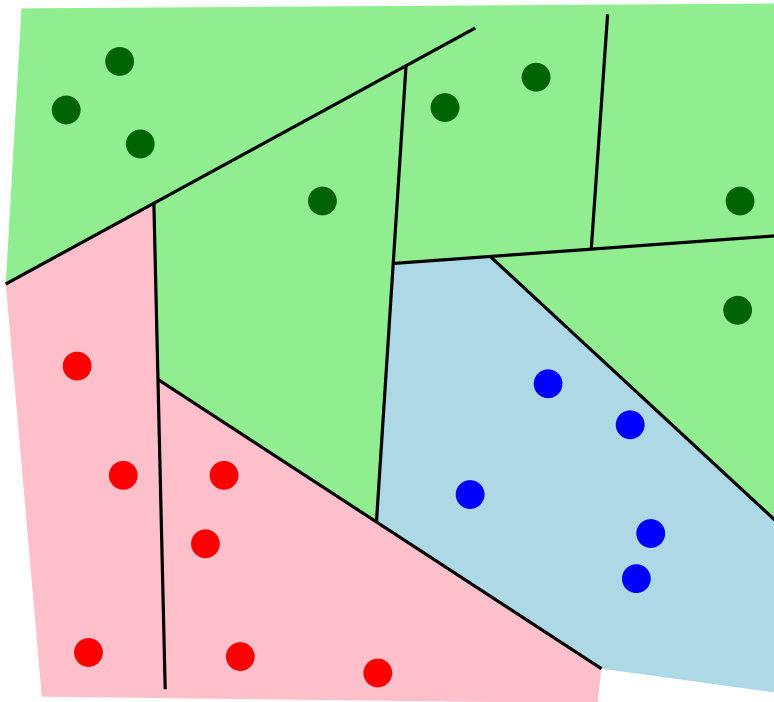


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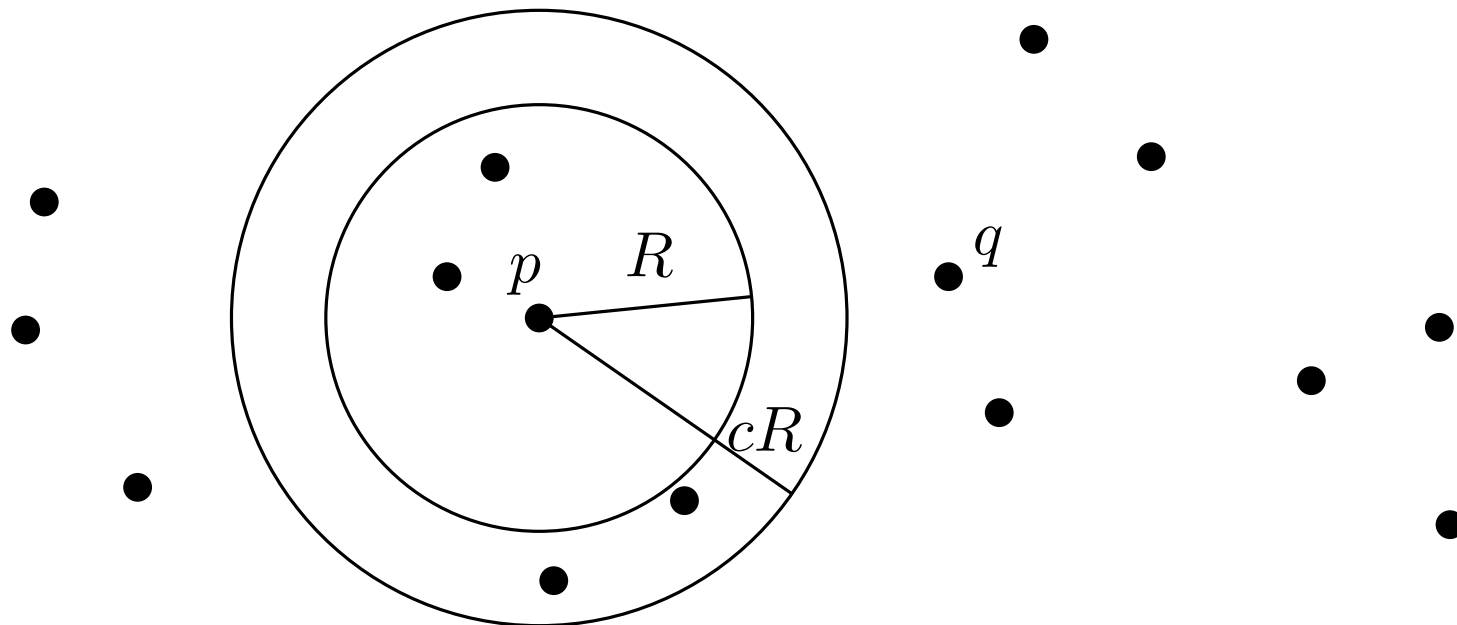
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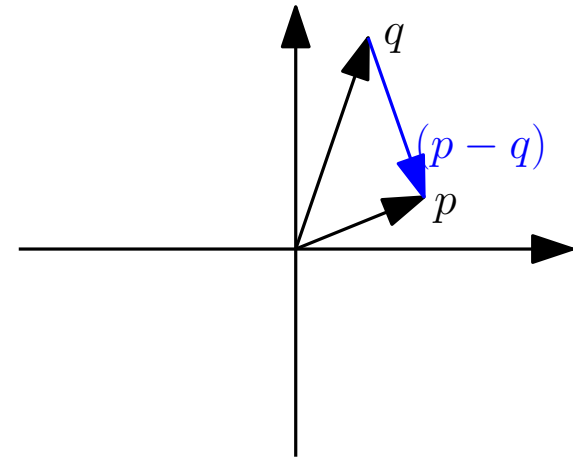


# Commonly used distance functions

## Euclidean distance:

for  $p = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$  and  $q = (y_1, \dots, y_d)$

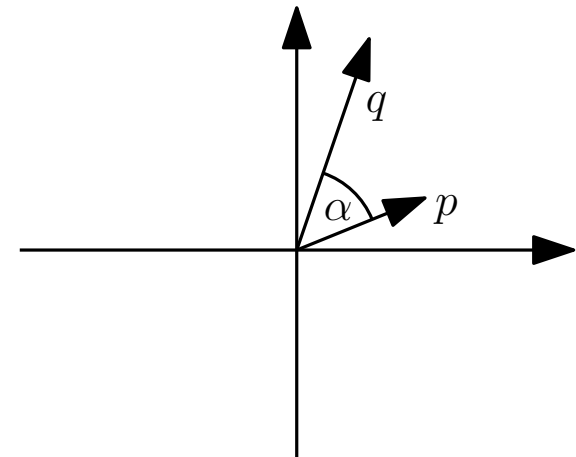
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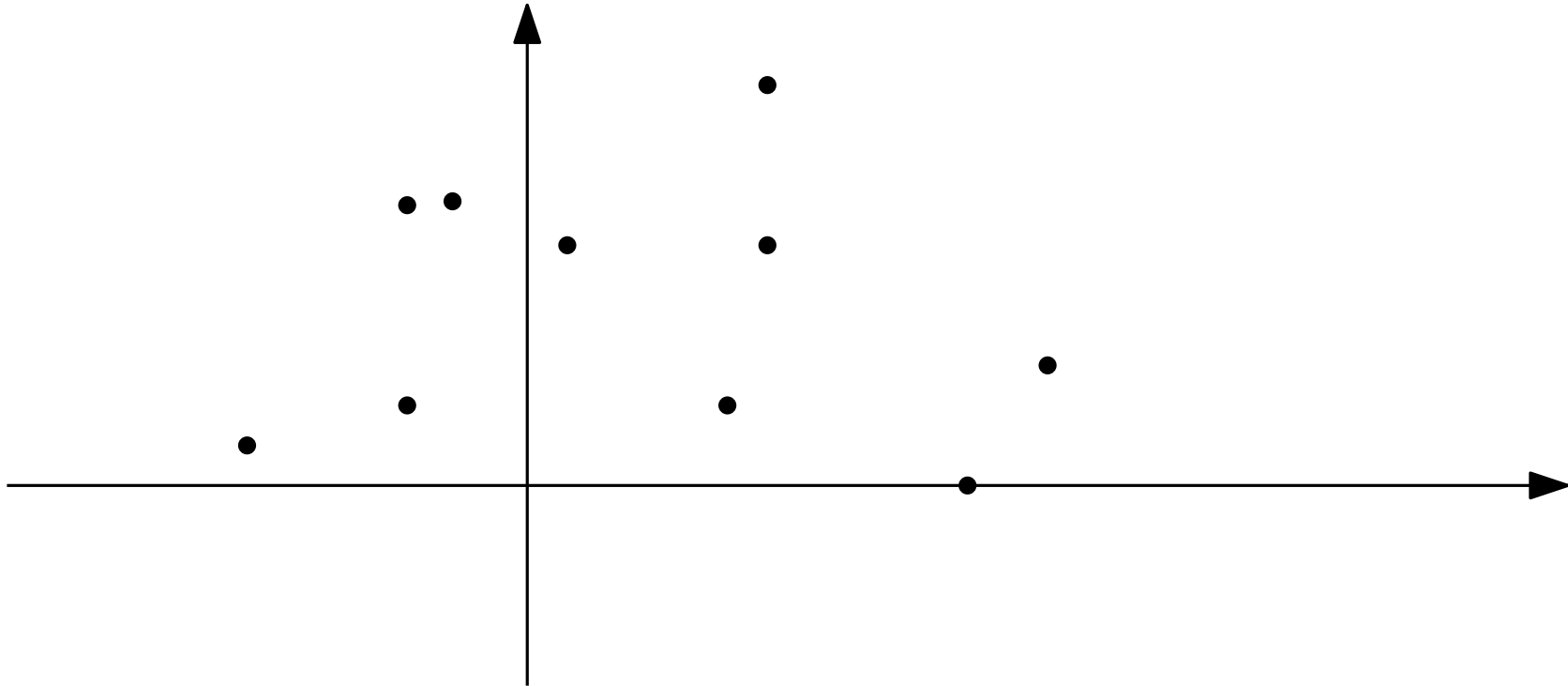
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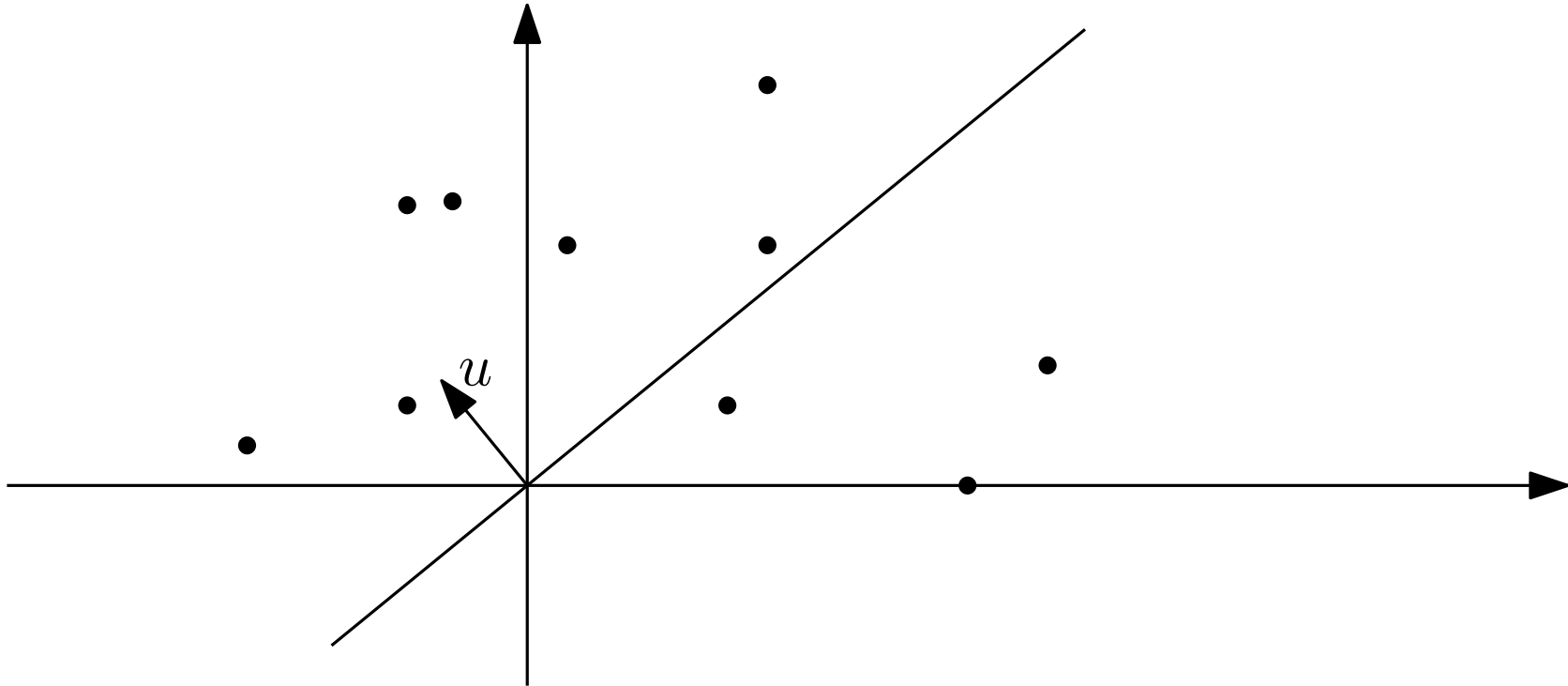
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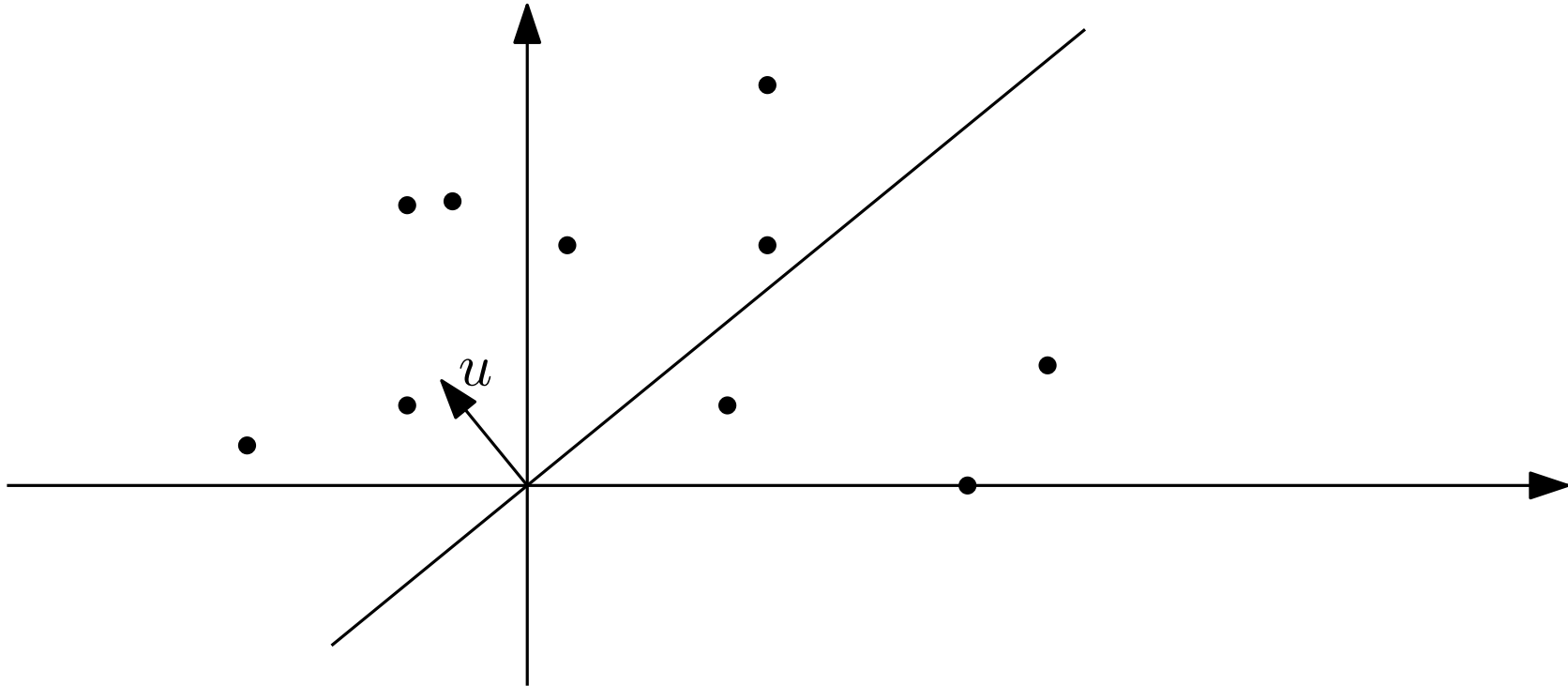
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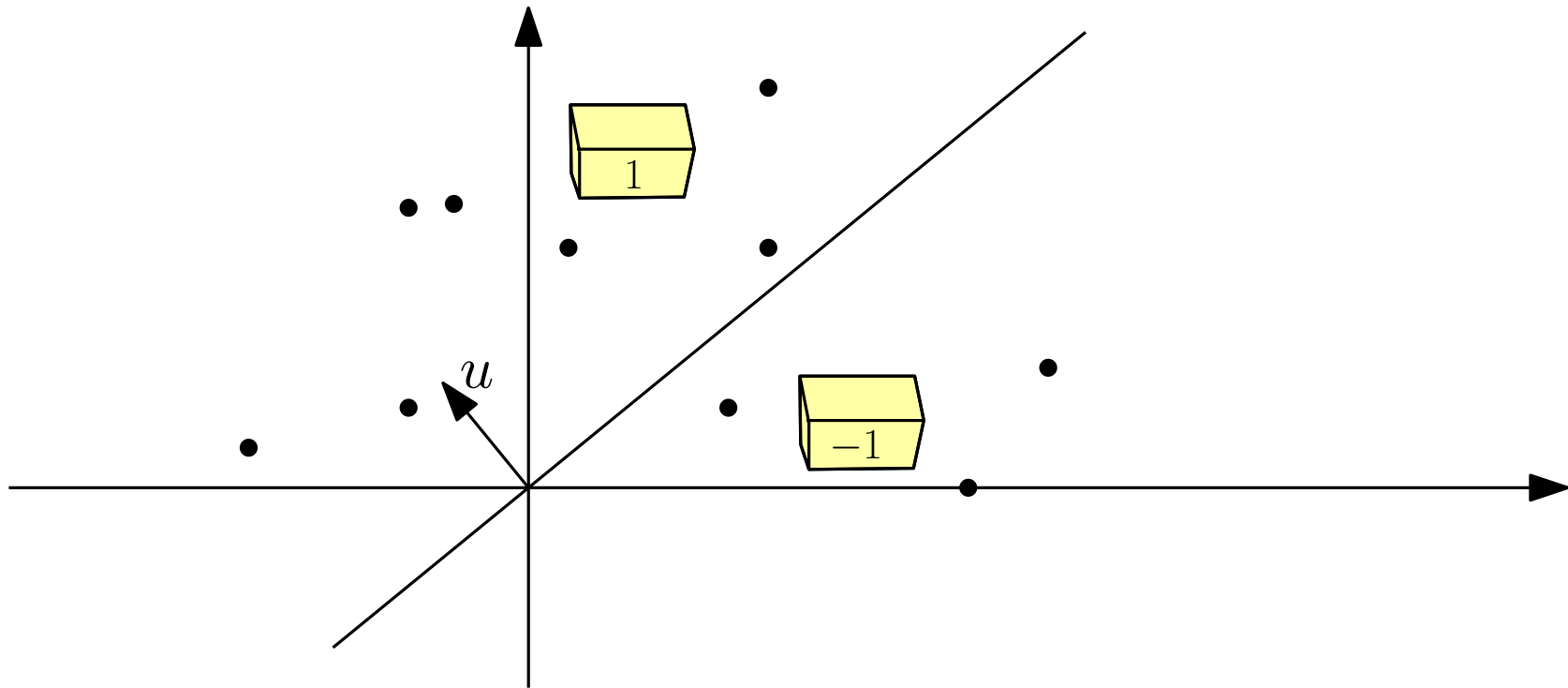


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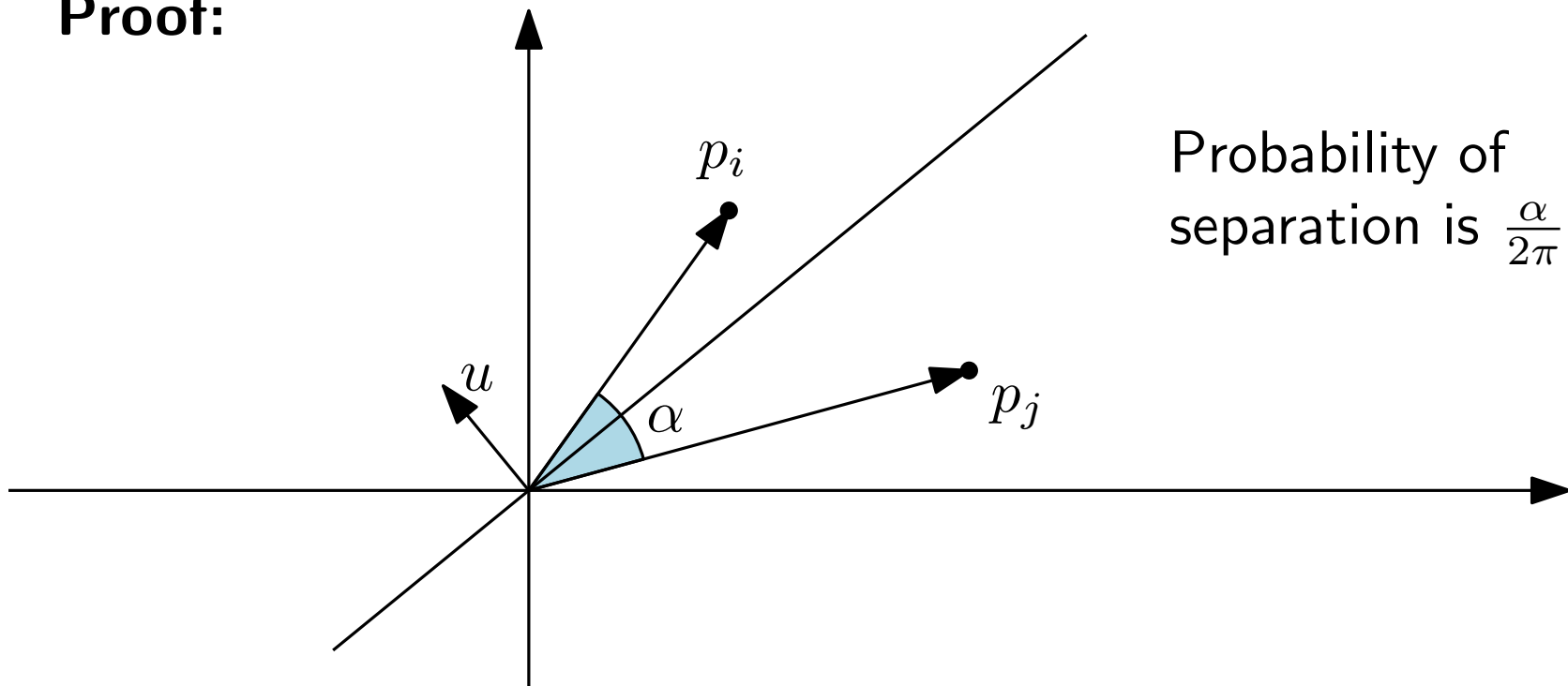
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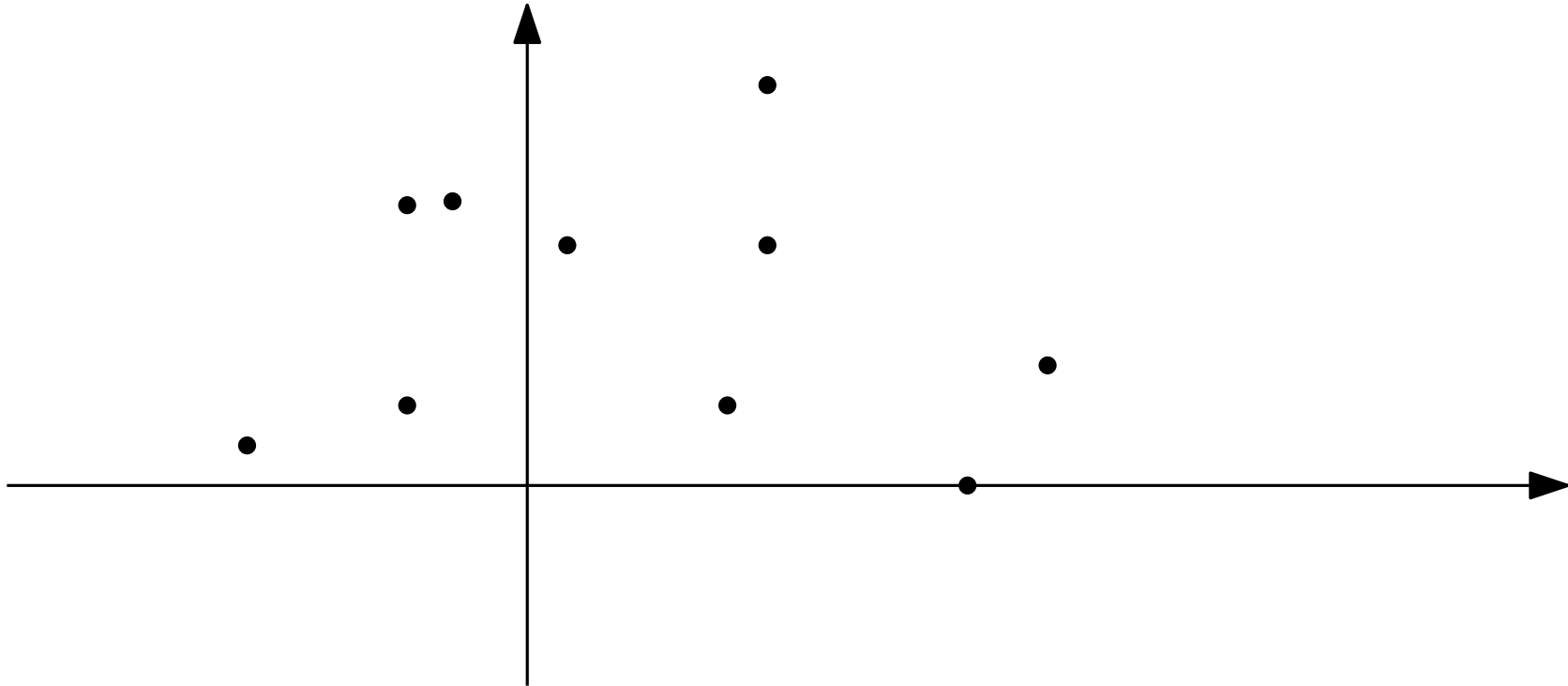
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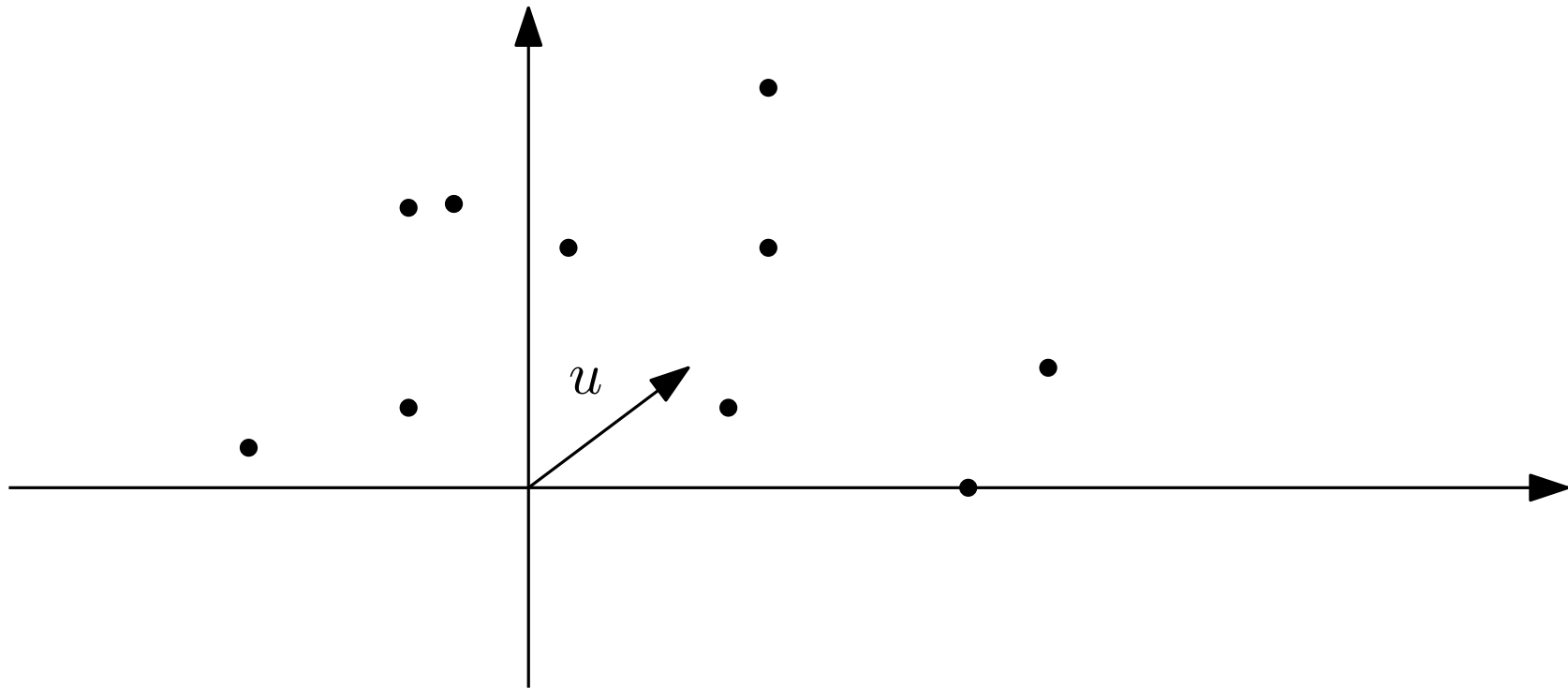
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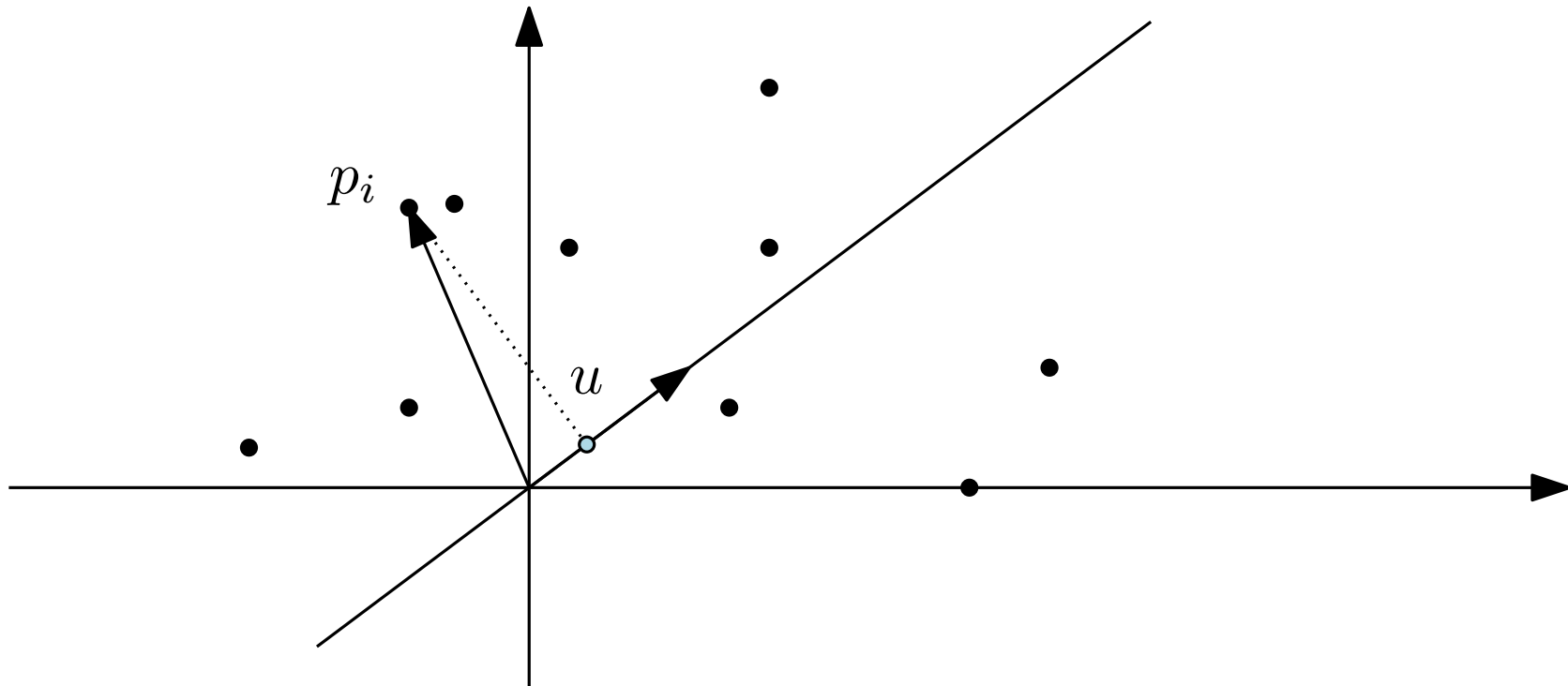


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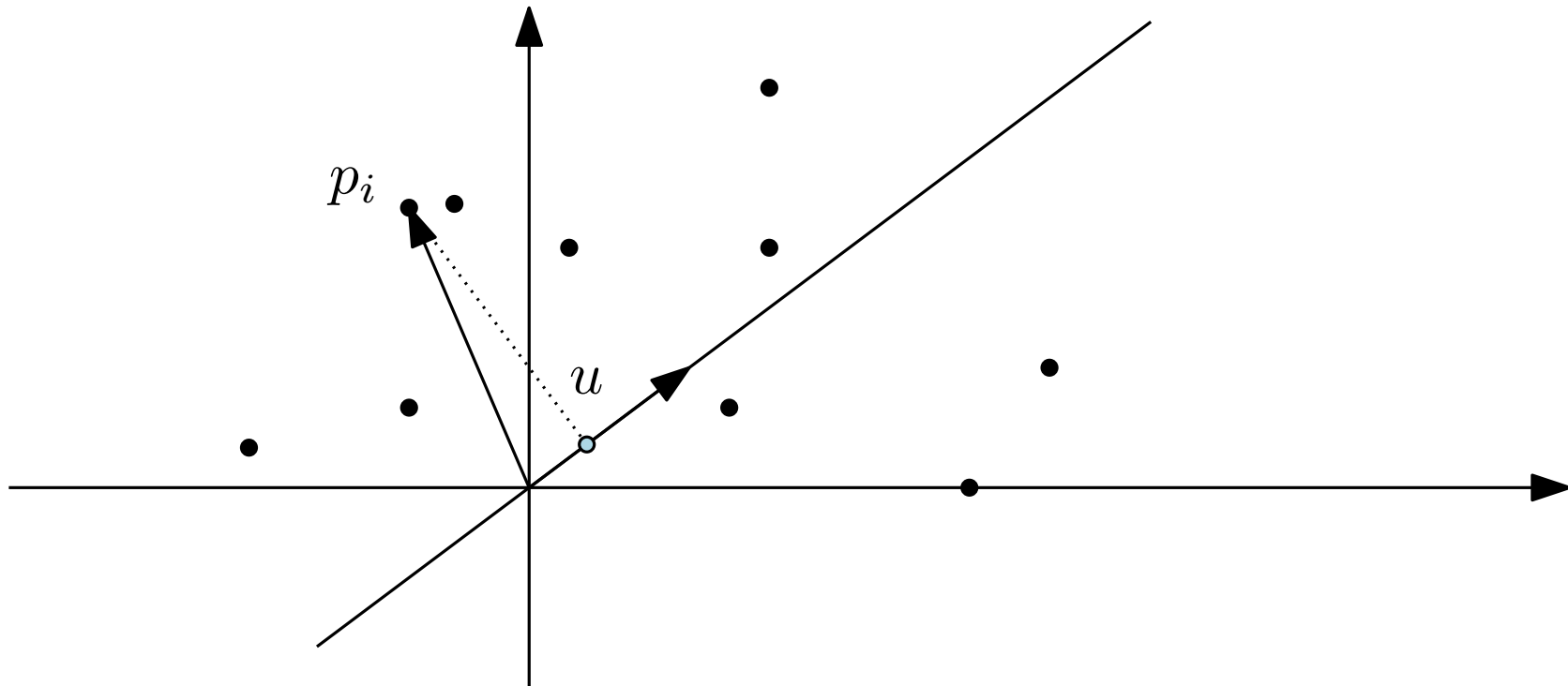
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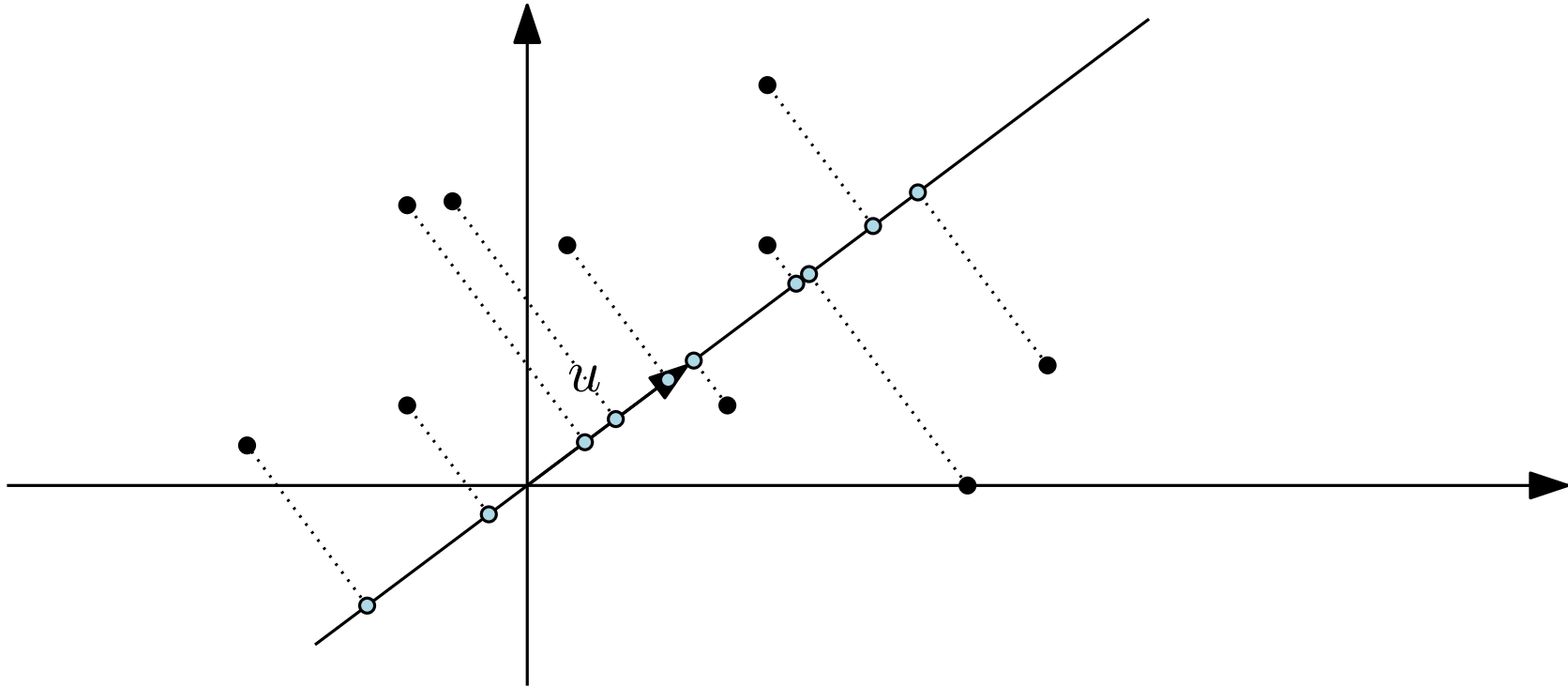
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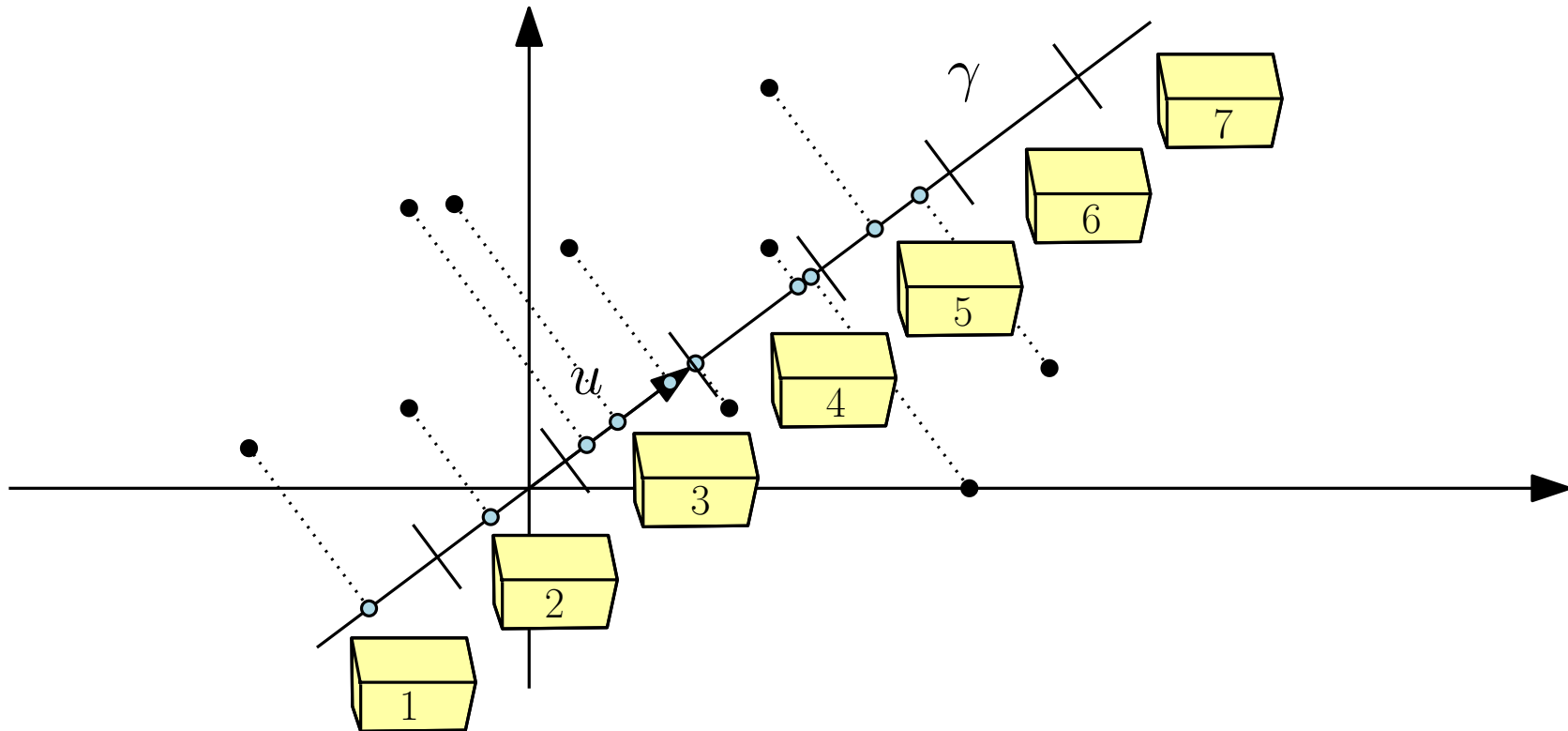


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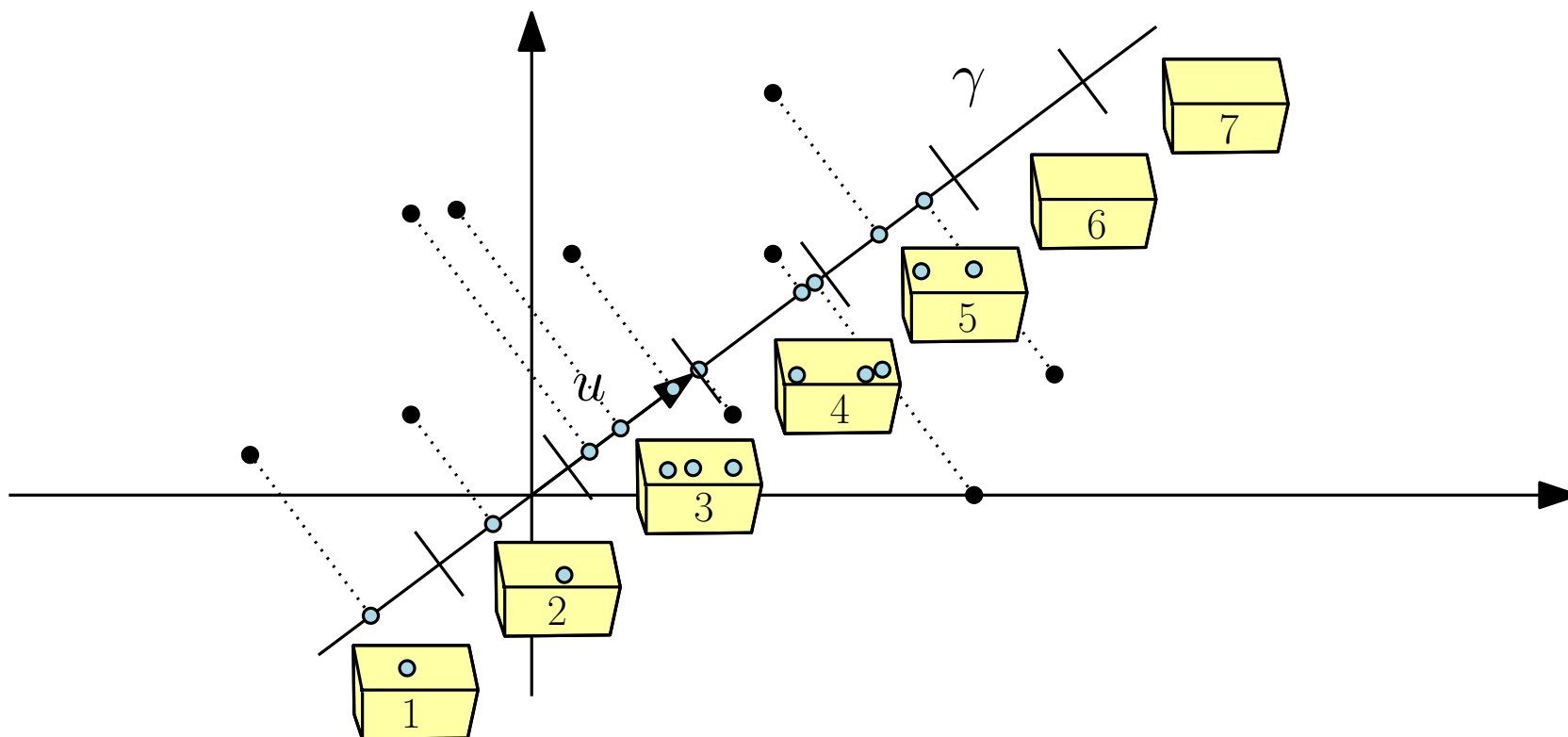
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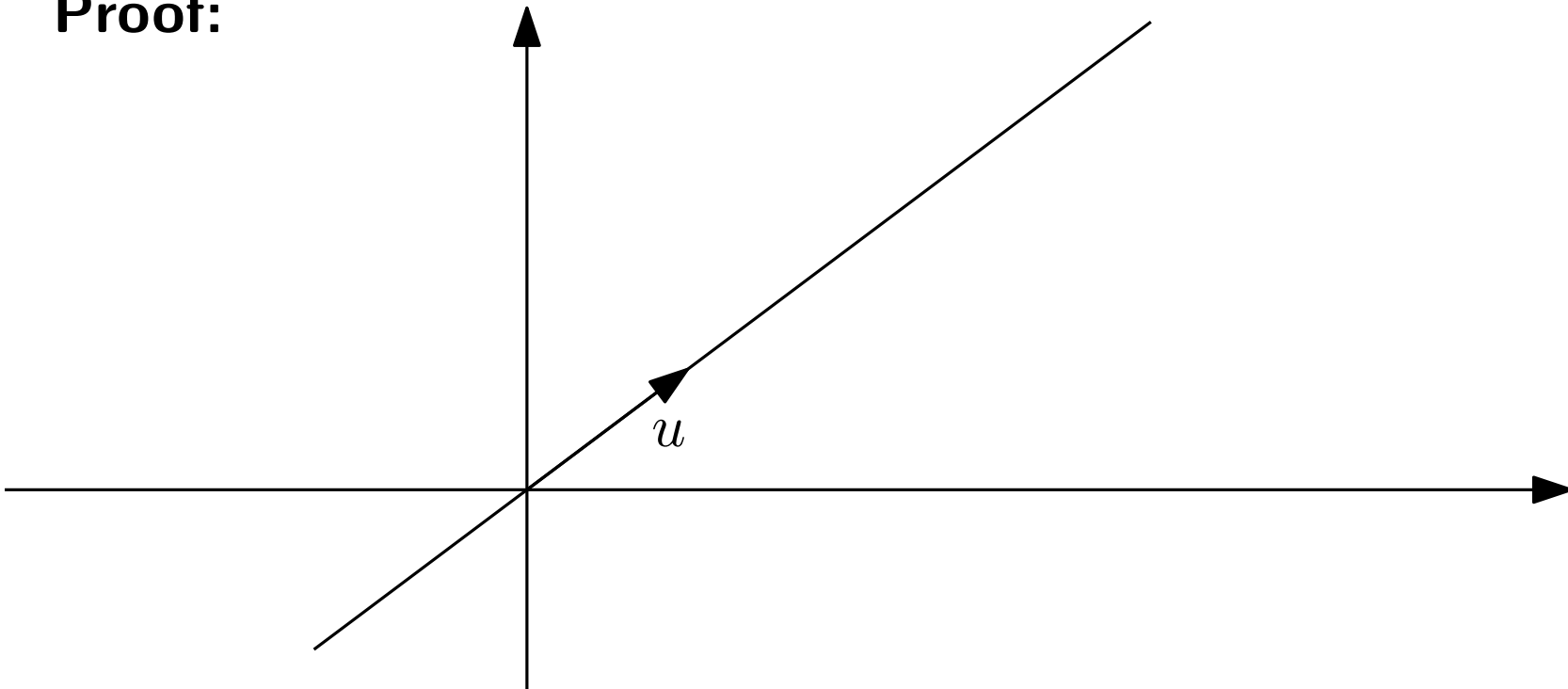
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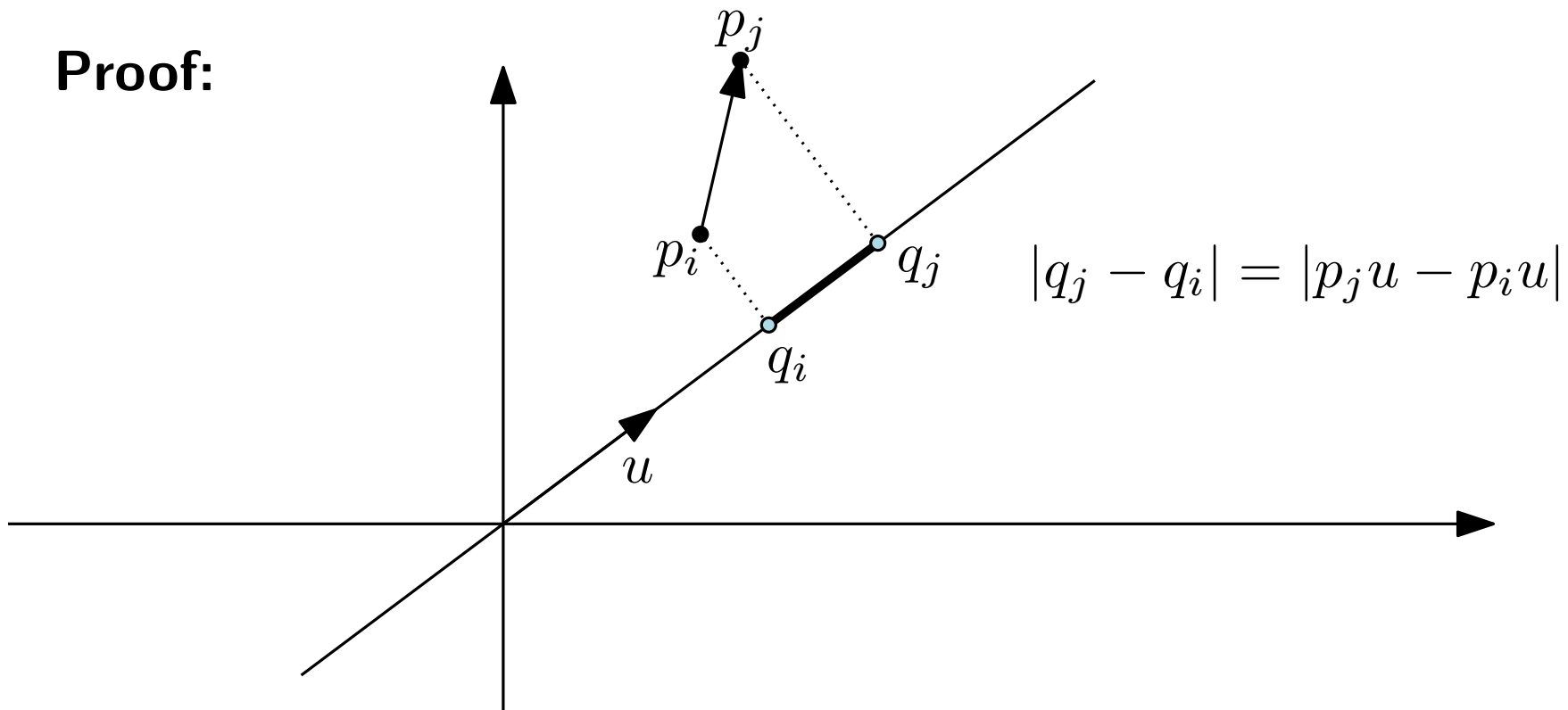
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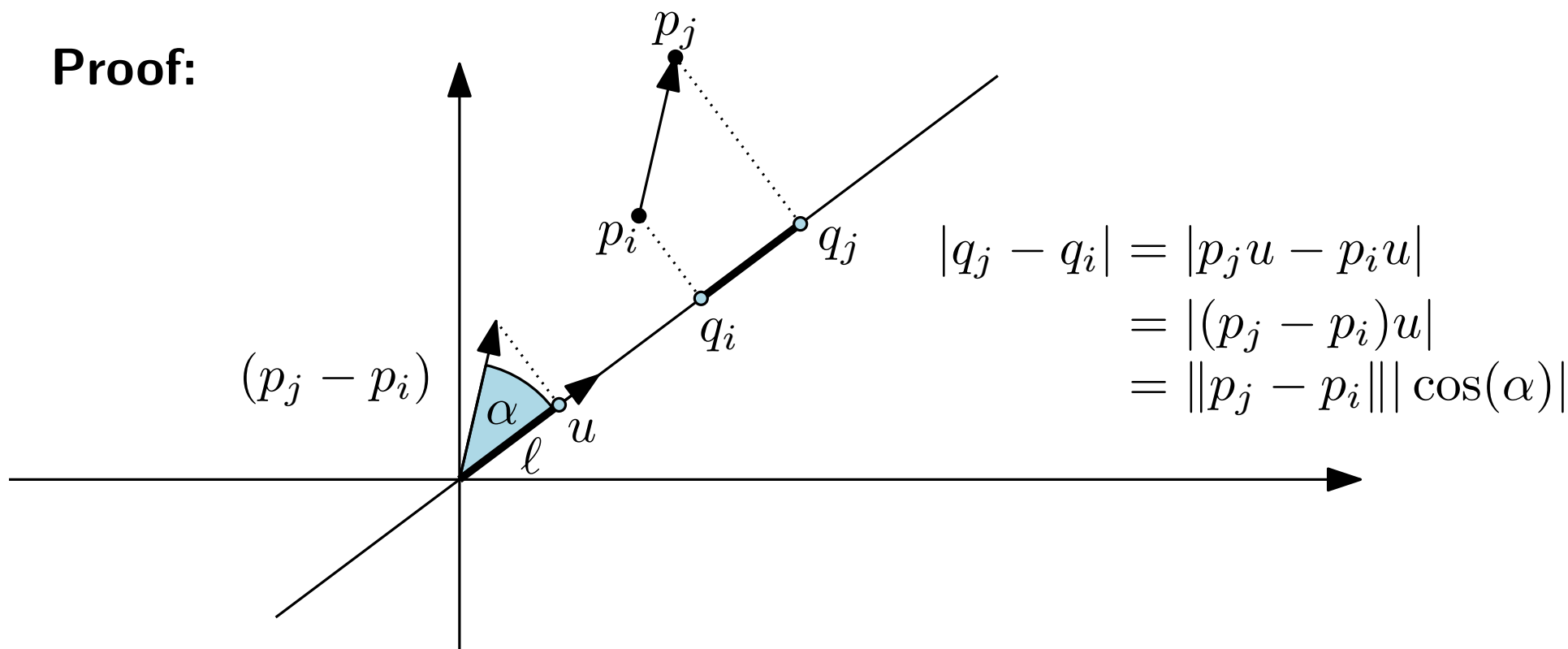
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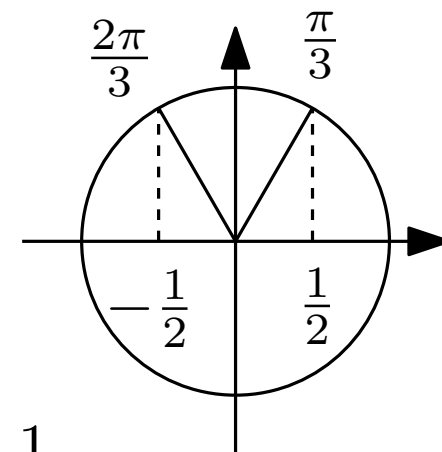
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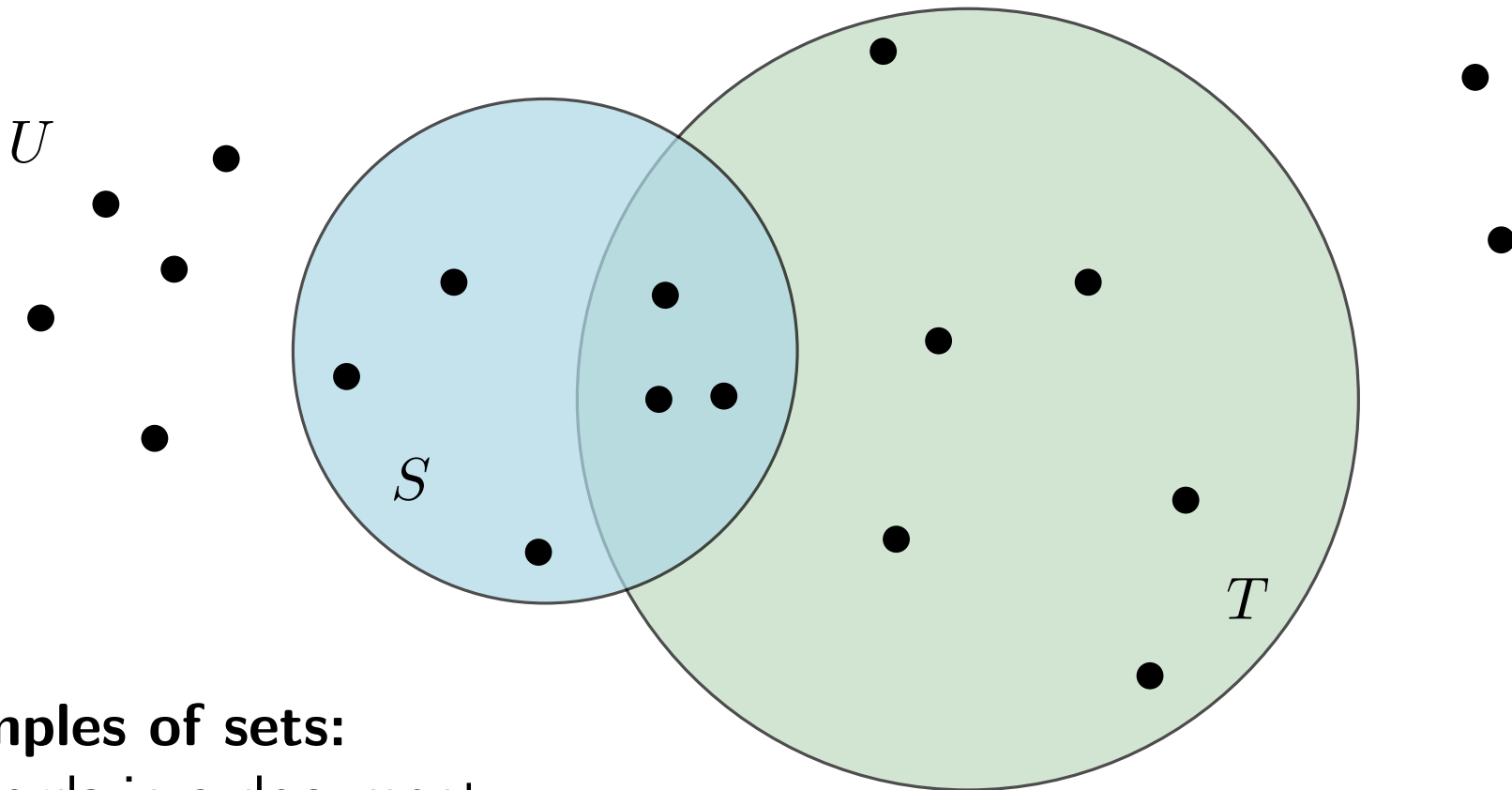
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# Jaccard Similarity

Similarity function to compare sets.



## Examples of sets:

- words in a document
- products in a shopping basket
- movies liked by a person

### Definition:

$$\text{sim}_J(S, T) := \frac{|S \cap T|}{|S \cup T|}$$

# Jaccard Similarity

We represent the sets  $S, T \subseteq U$  using indicator vectors.

## Example

- Given set of documents  $D_1, \dots, D_n$ .
- Let  $S_i$  be the set of words contained in  $D_i$
- Indicator vector for  $S_i$  is a  $(0, 1)$ -vector over the dictionary  $U$

$$v_i = (\dots, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, \dots)$$

'cat'      'catastrophy'      'category'  $\notin S_i$       'caterpillar'  $\in S_i$

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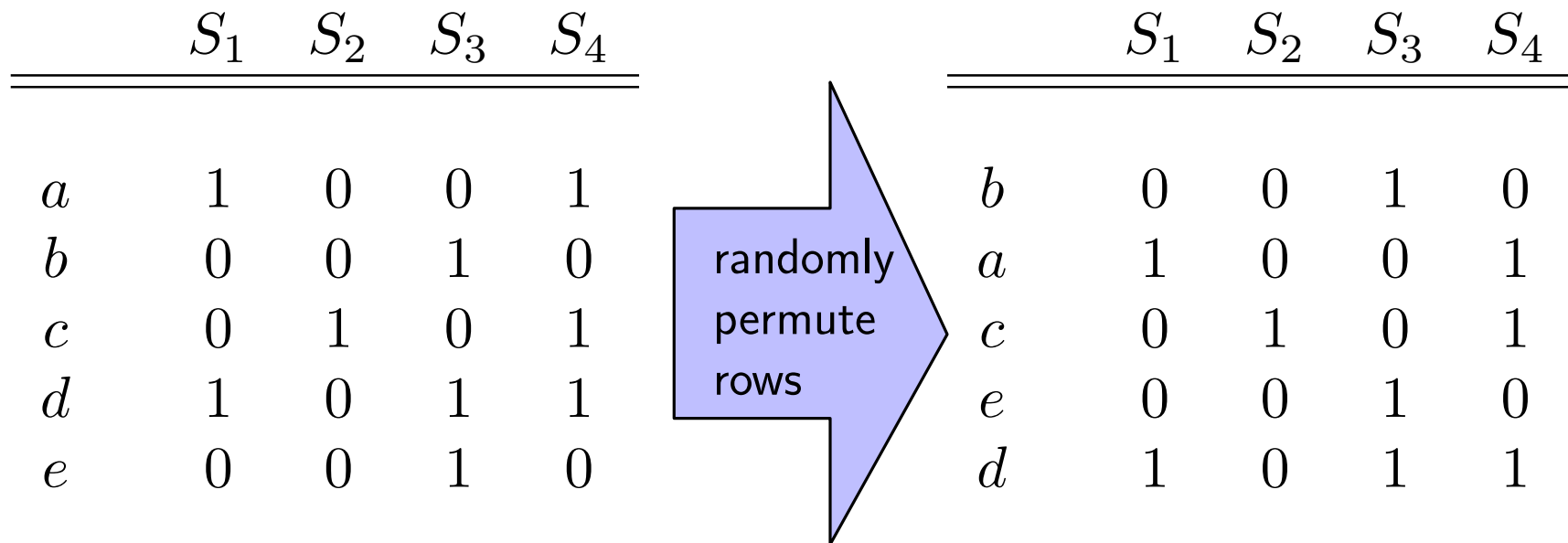
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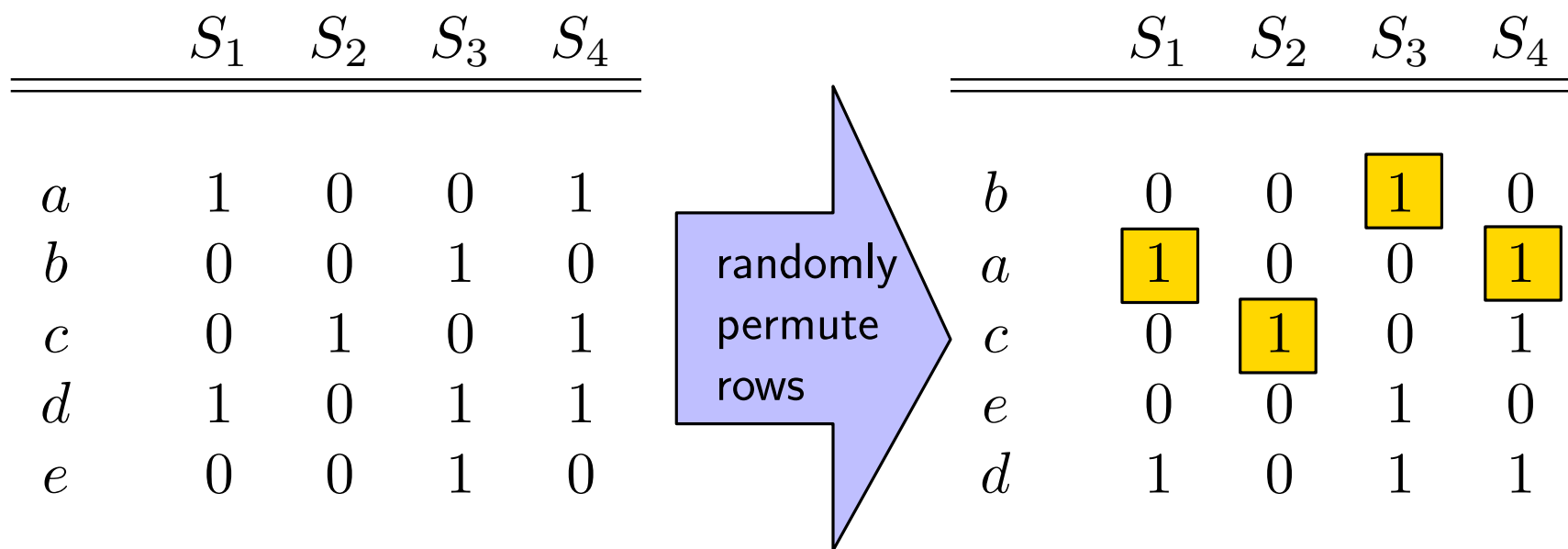
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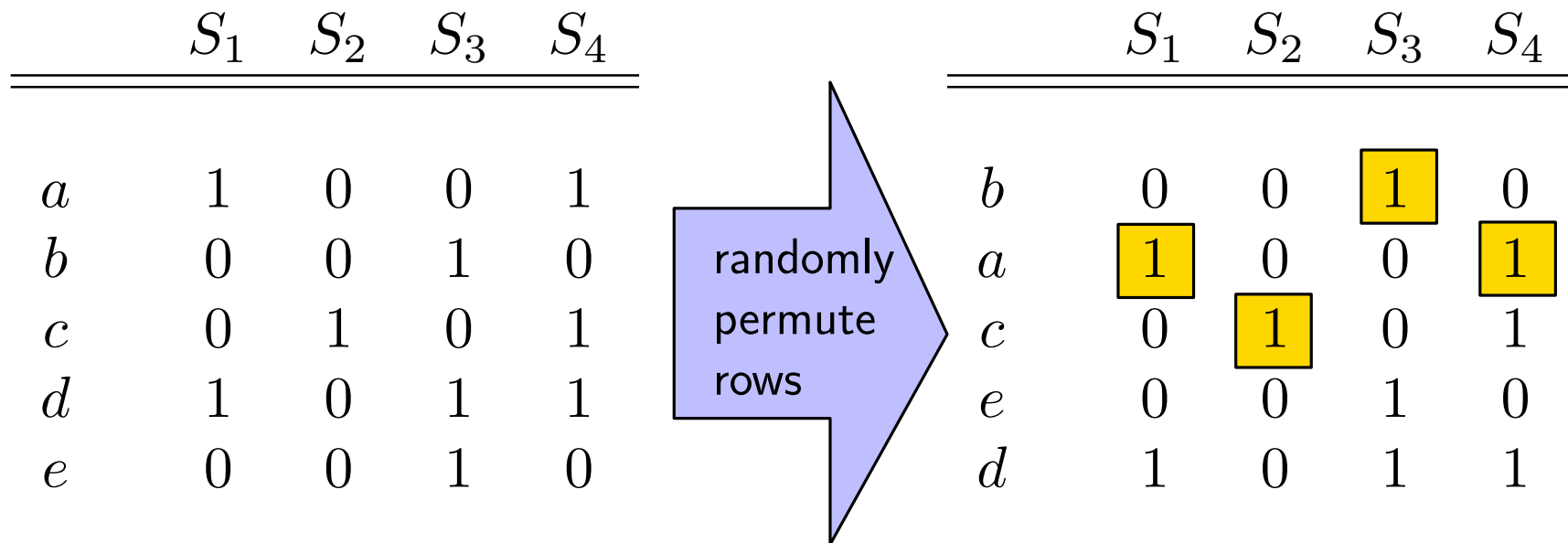


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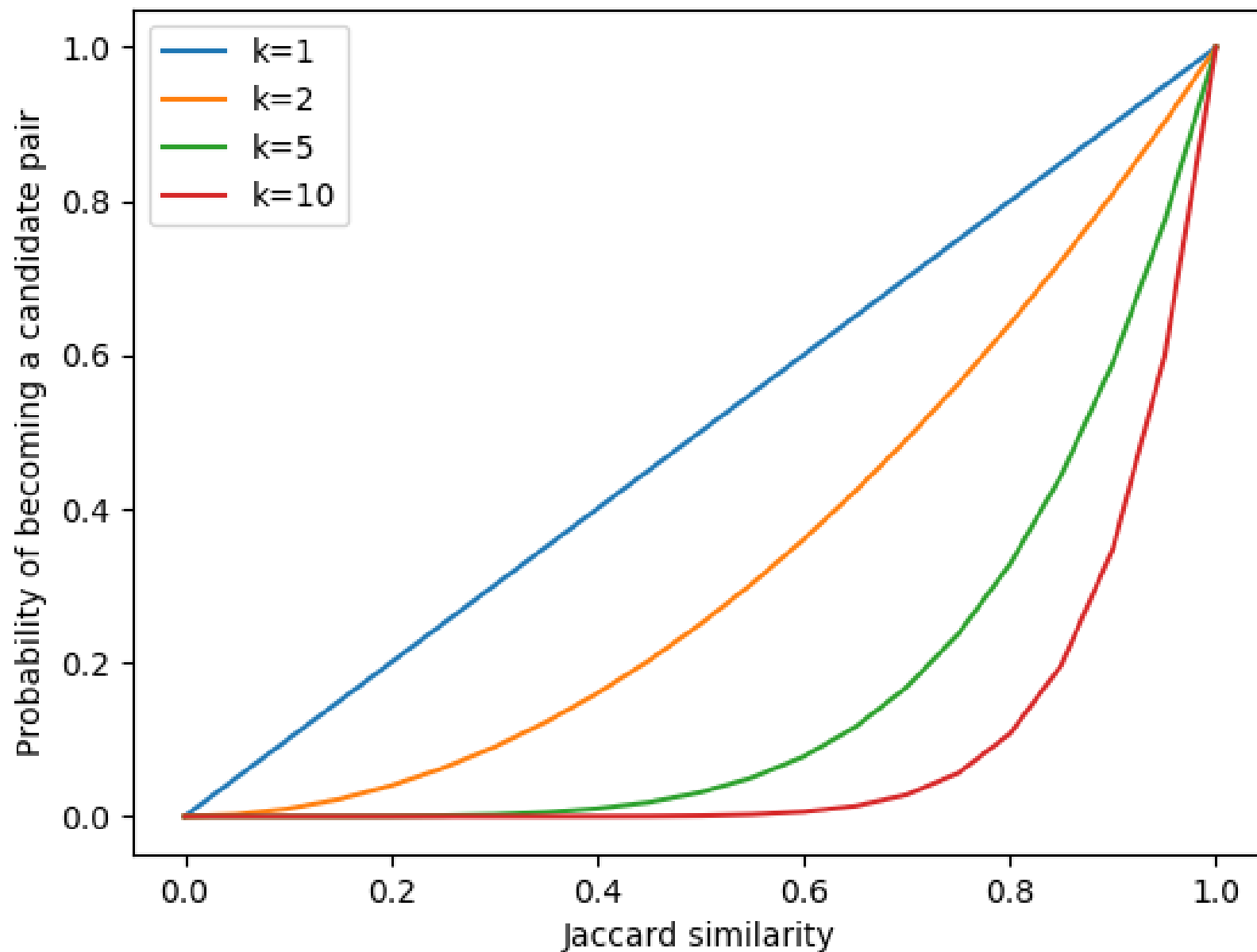
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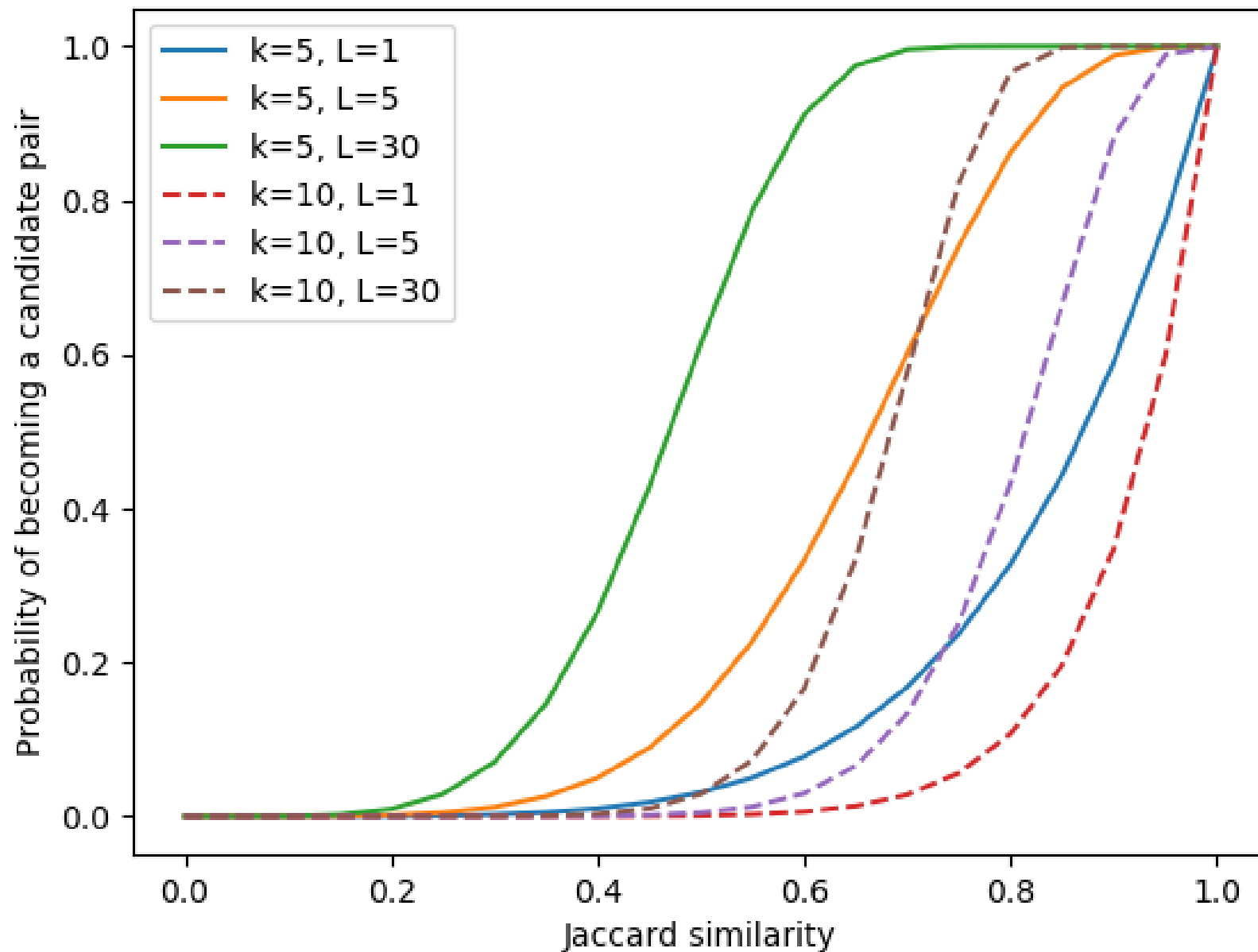
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# Amplification of an LSH

In general, this process is called **amplification** (we “amplify” the success probabilities)

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# Summary

- Nearest-Neighbor rule
- Locality sensitive hashing
- Cosine distance
- Euclidean distance
- Jaccard Similarity
- Minhashing
- Banding
- Amplification

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