

Advanced Machine Learning

Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

The diagram illustrates the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of a matrix X . On the left, a large matrix is shown, partitioned into four blocks: a top-left block labeled 0 , a top-right block labeled X (highlighted in pink), a bottom-left block labeled X^T (highlighted in blue), and a bottom-right block labeled 0 . This matrix is equated to the product of three matrices. The first matrix is a tall, narrow matrix with two blocks: a top block labeled u (highlighted in blue) and a bottom block labeled v (highlighted in pink). This is followed by an equals sign and a scalar s . The final matrix is another tall, narrow matrix with two blocks: a top block labeled u (highlighted in blue) and a bottom block labeled v (highlighted in pink).

Singular Valued Decomposition, SVD, general linear maps

Outline

1. **Singular Value Decomposition**
2. General Linear Mappings
3. Linear Regression Revisited

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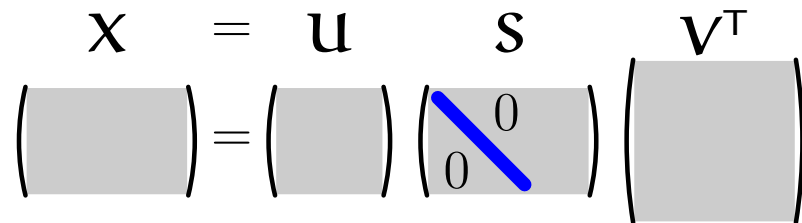
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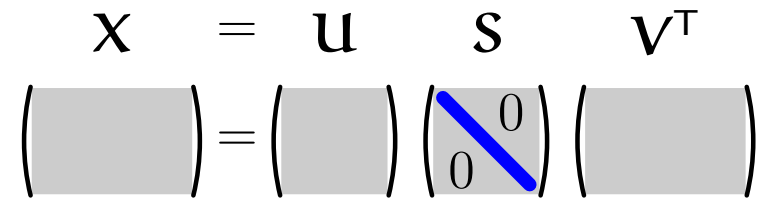
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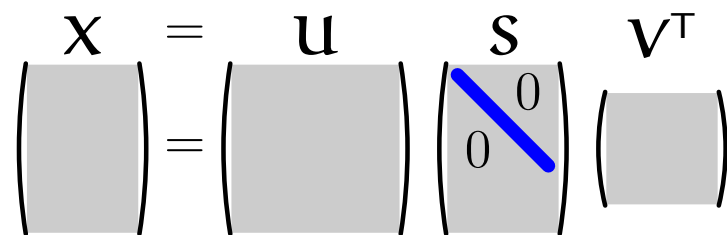
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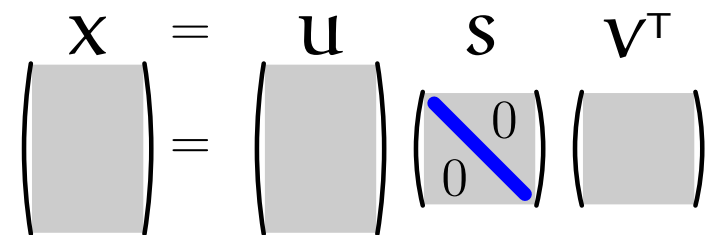
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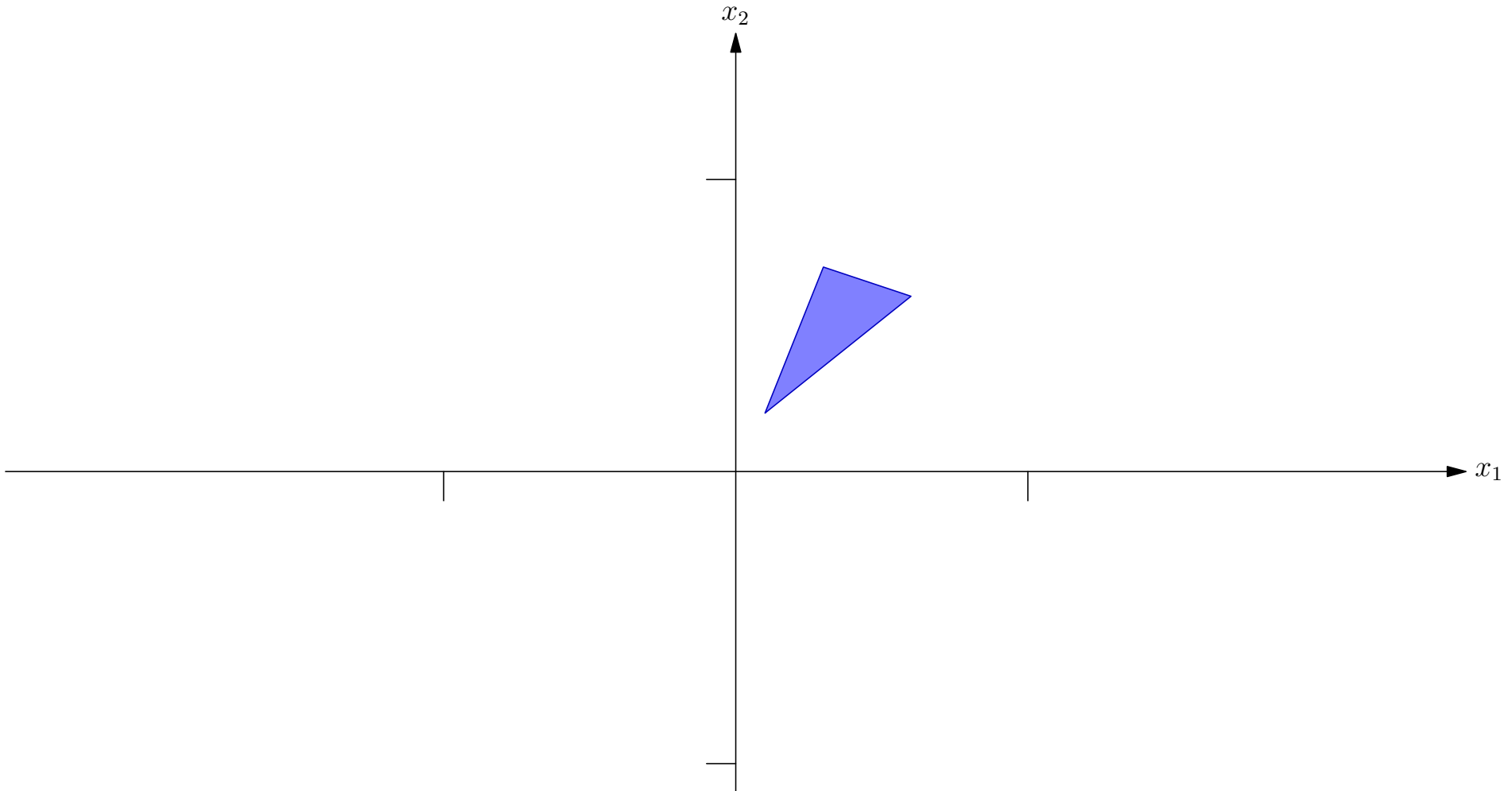
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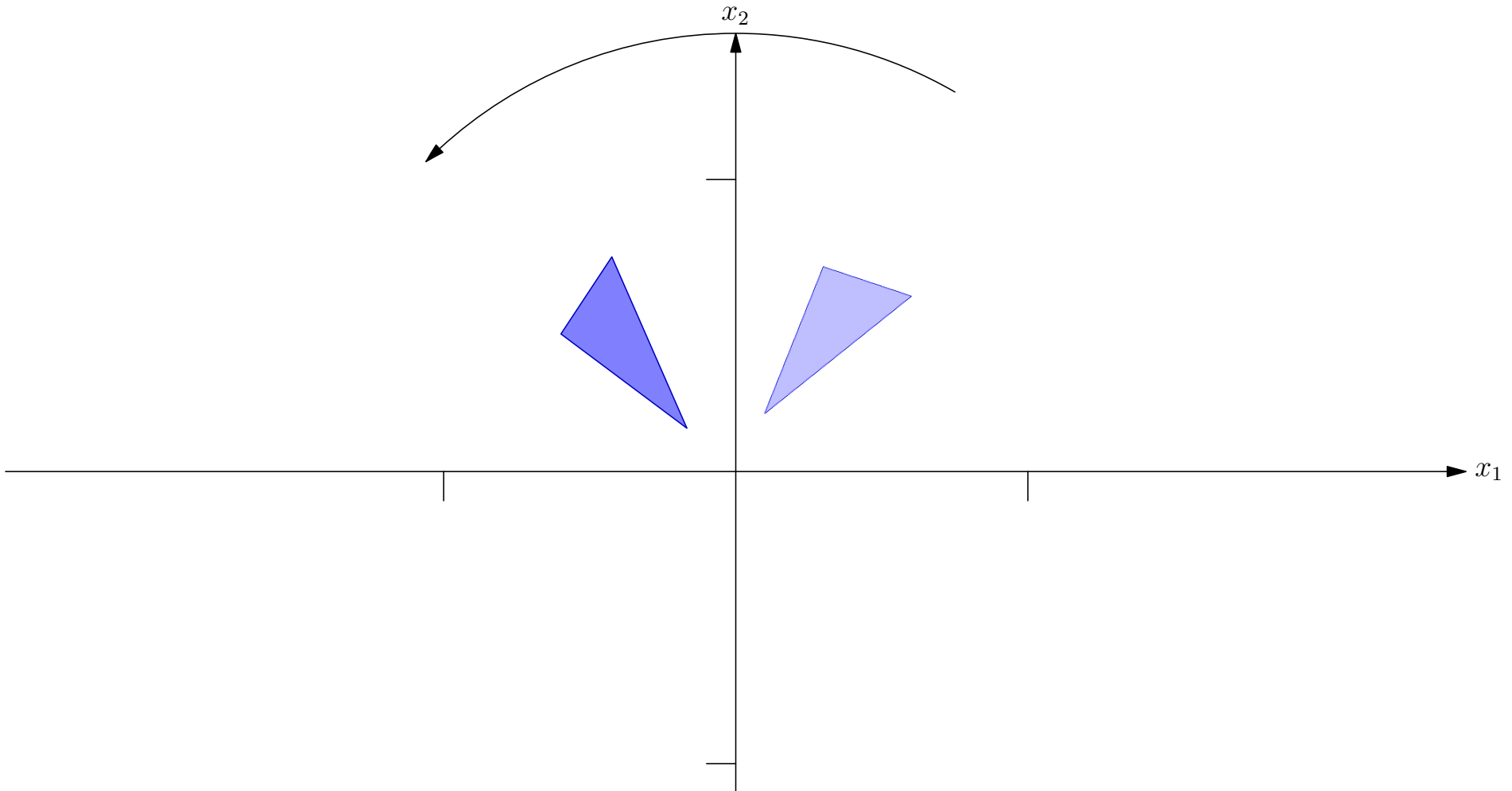
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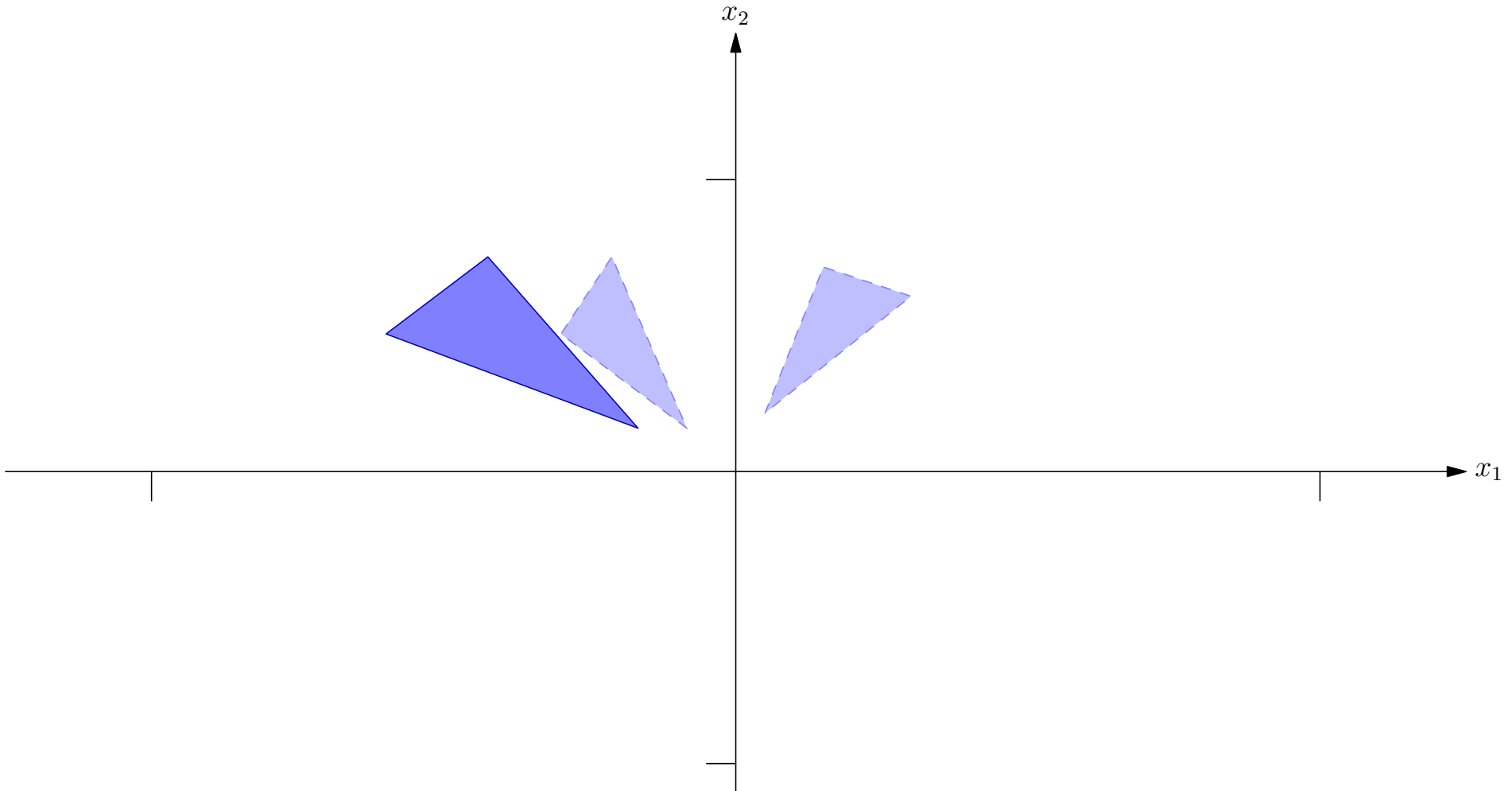
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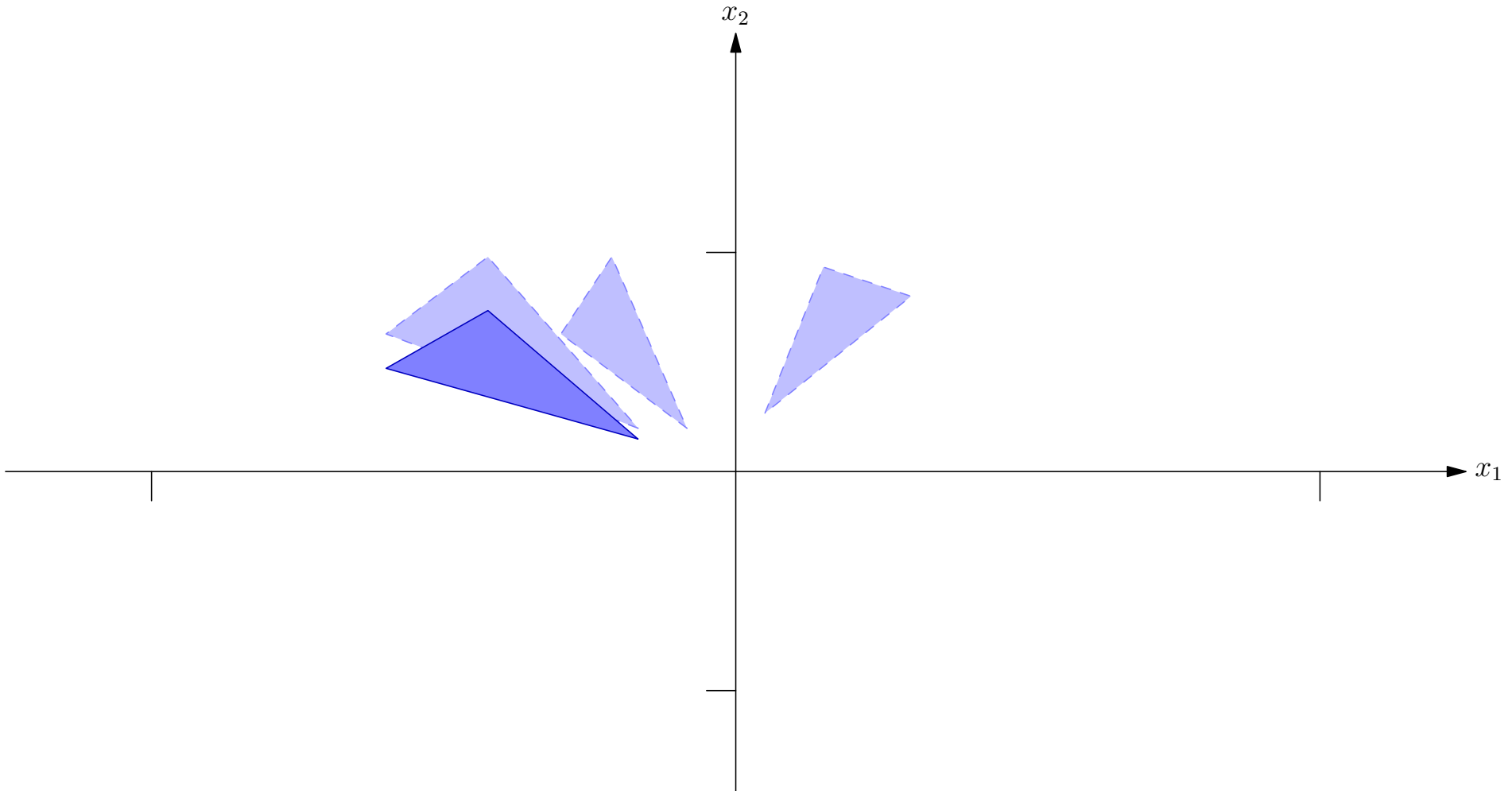
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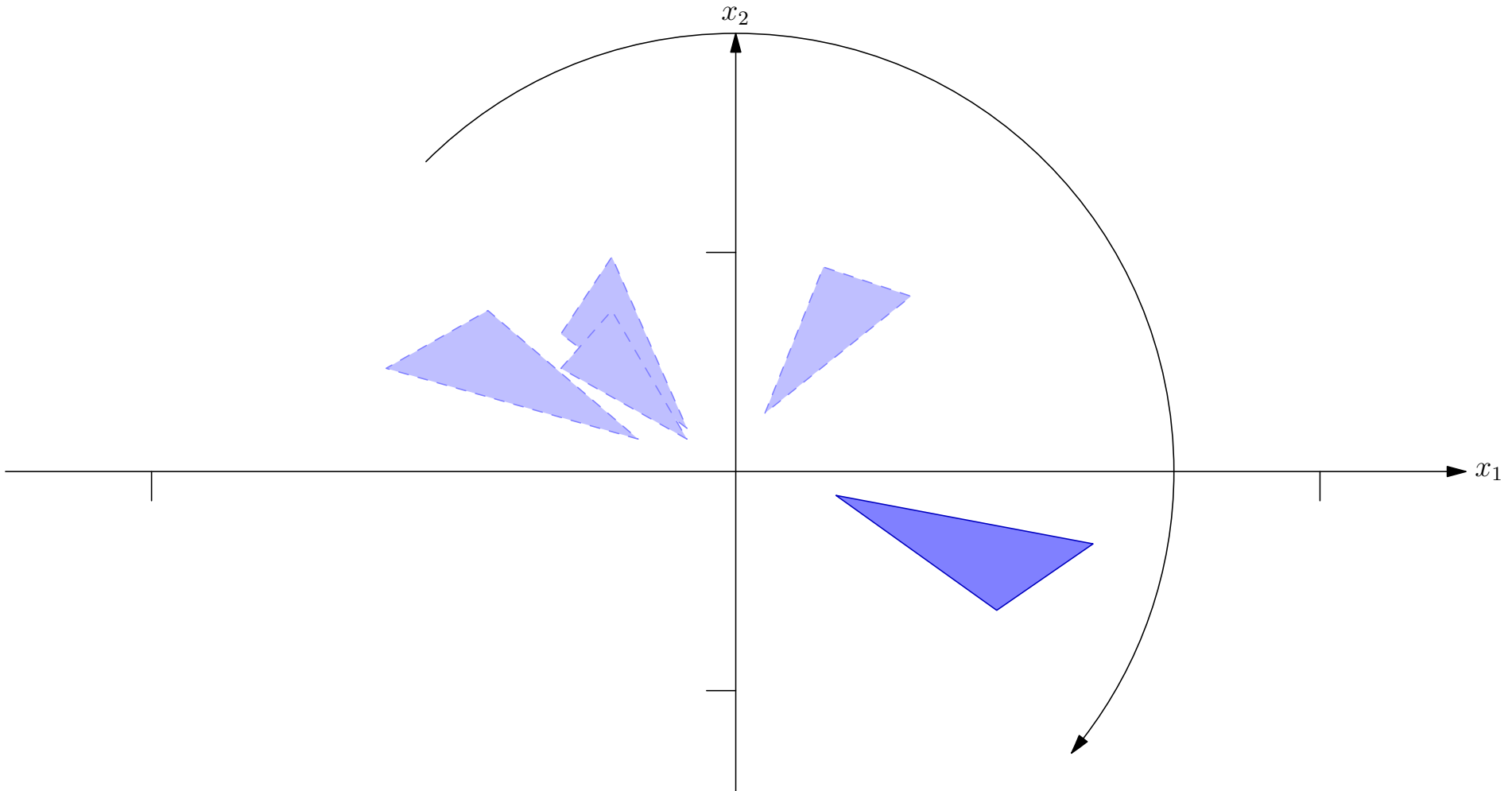
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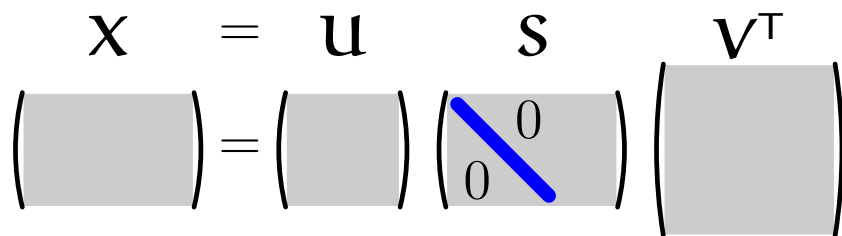
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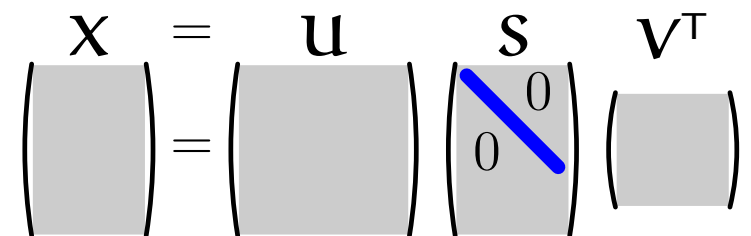
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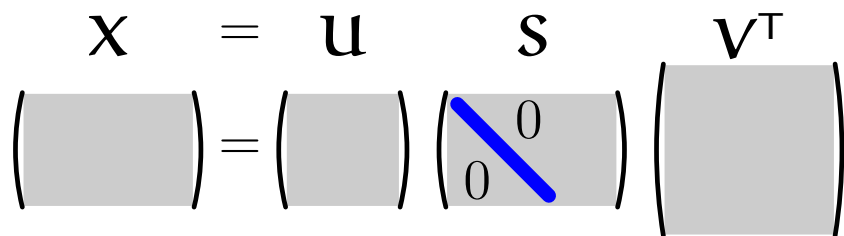
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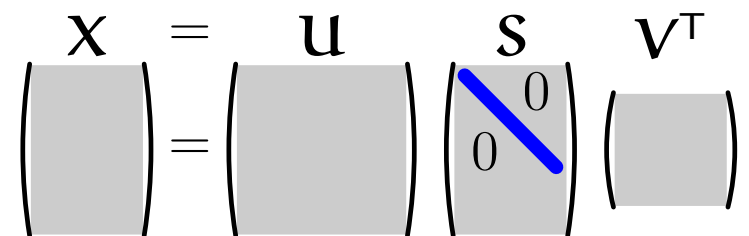
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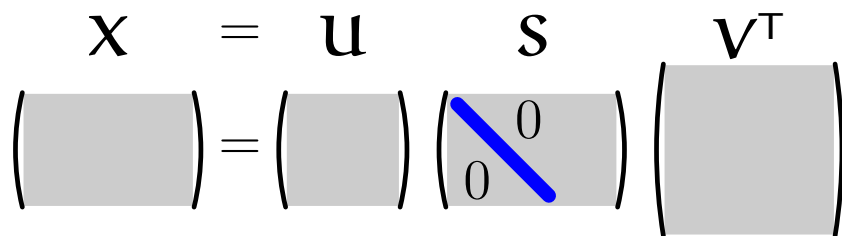
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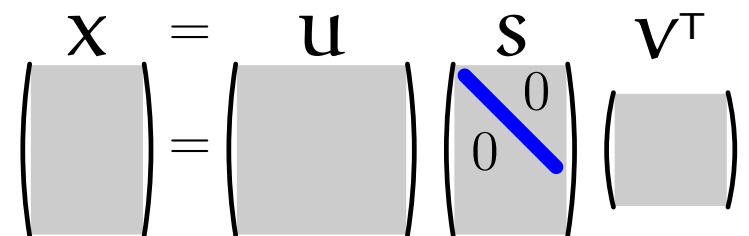
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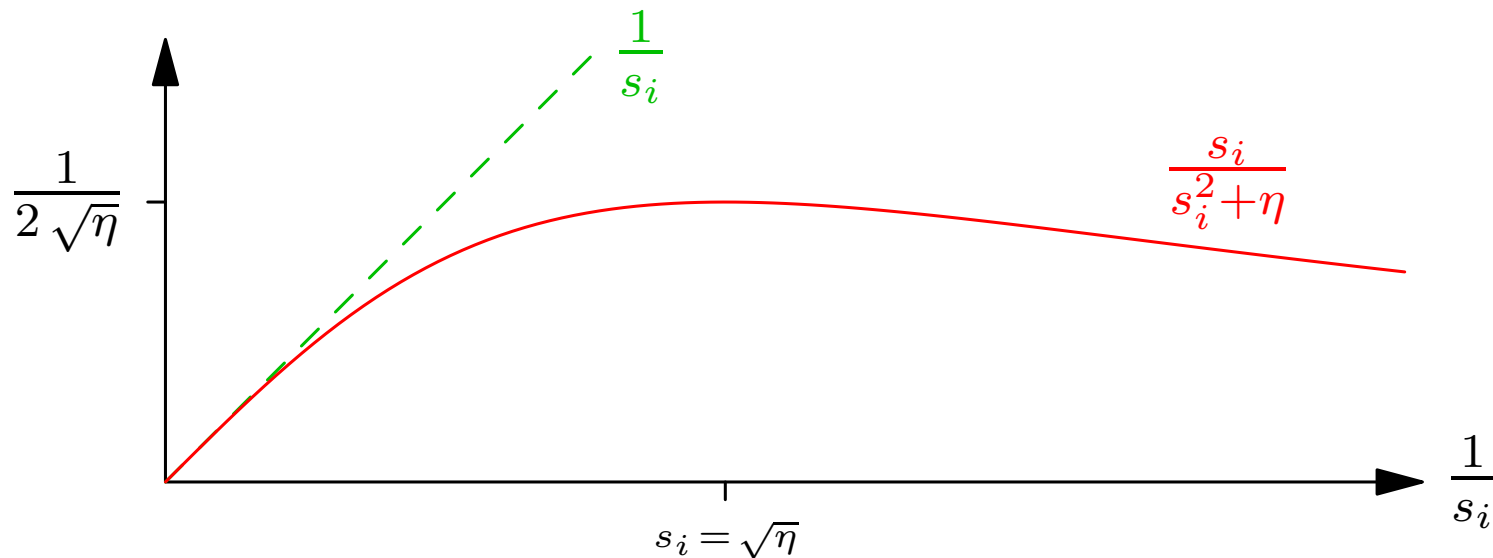
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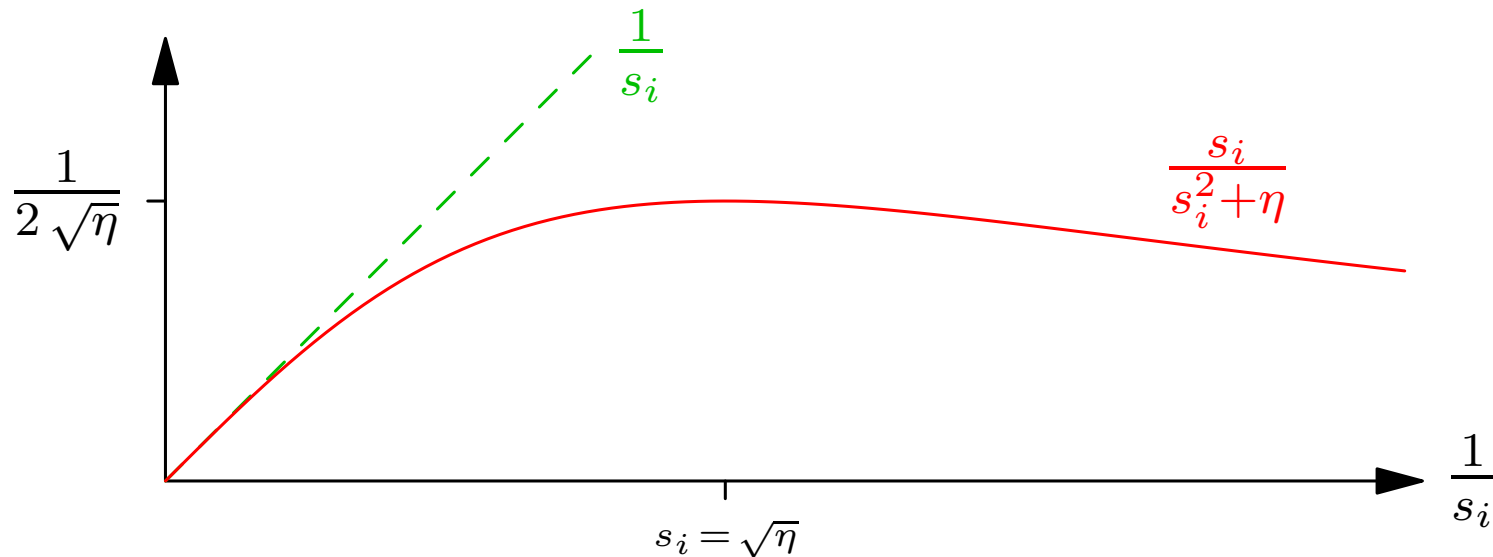
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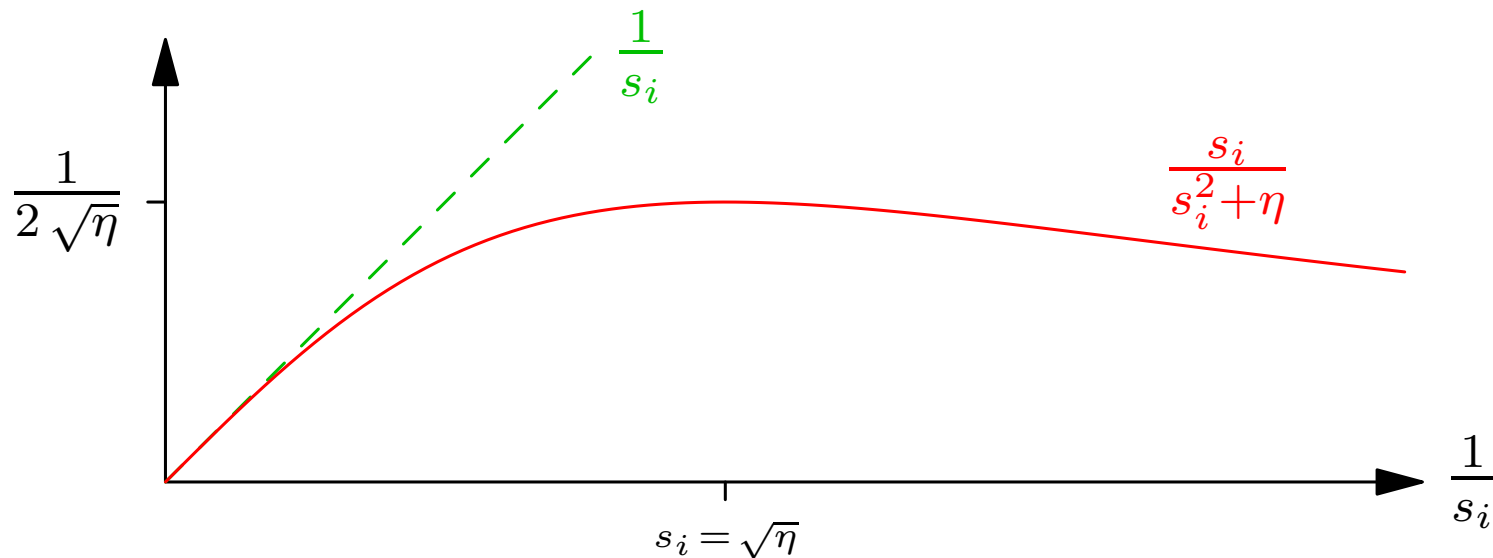
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