

A Perturbation Bound on the Subspace Estimator from Canonical Projections

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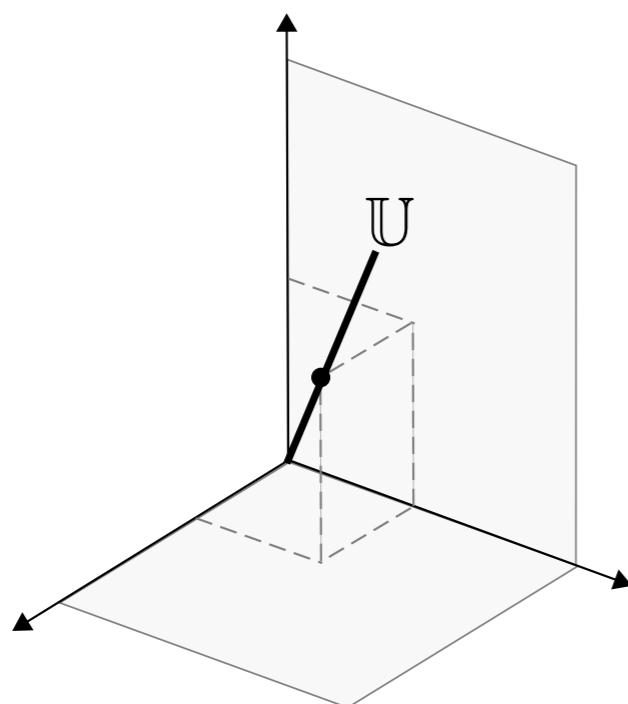
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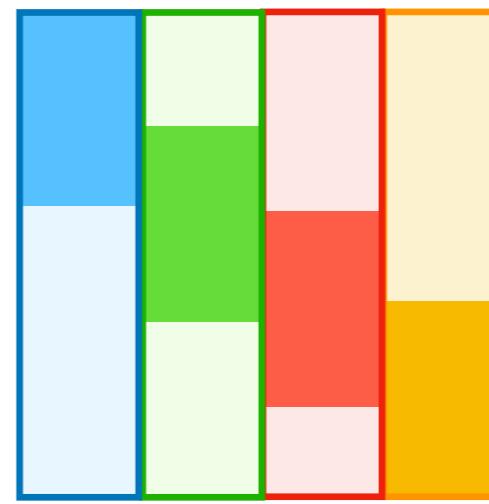
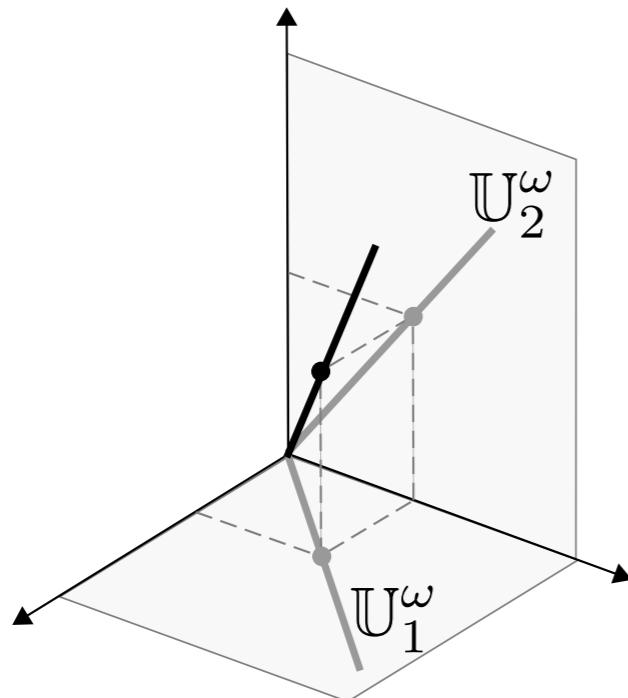
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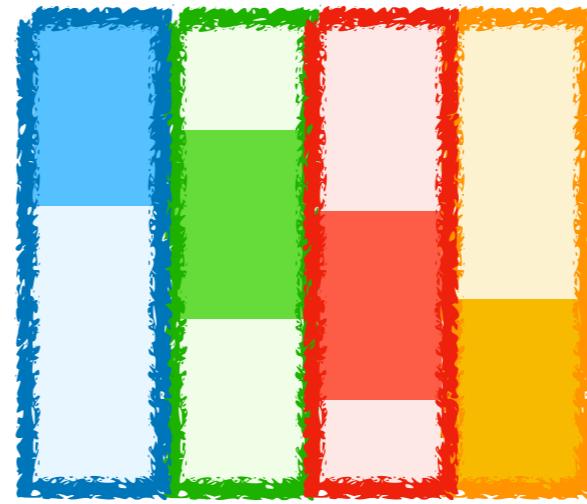
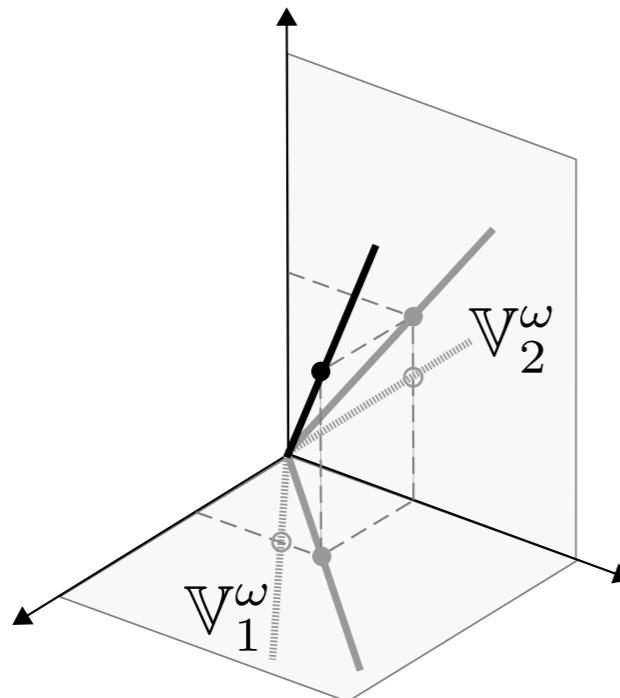


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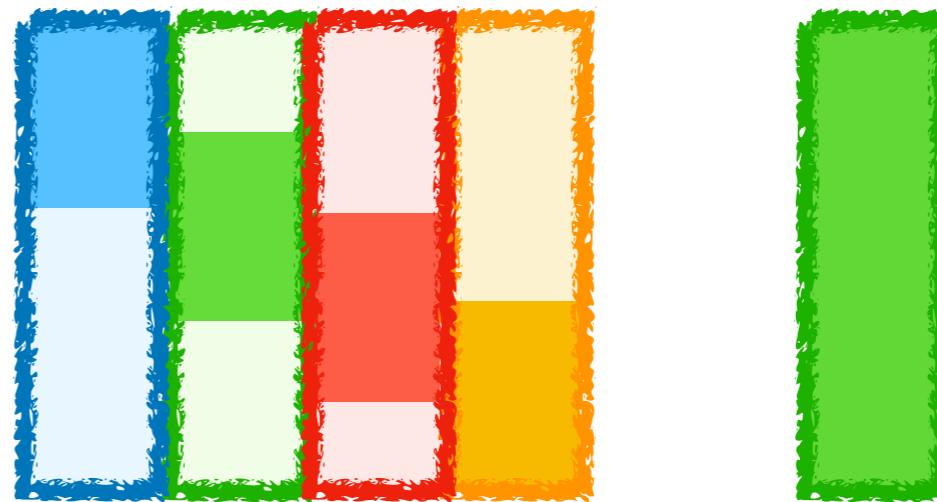
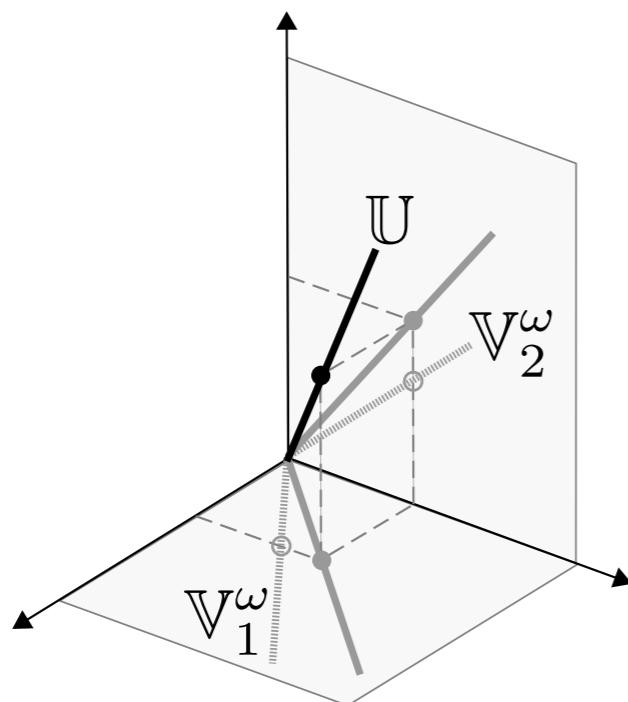


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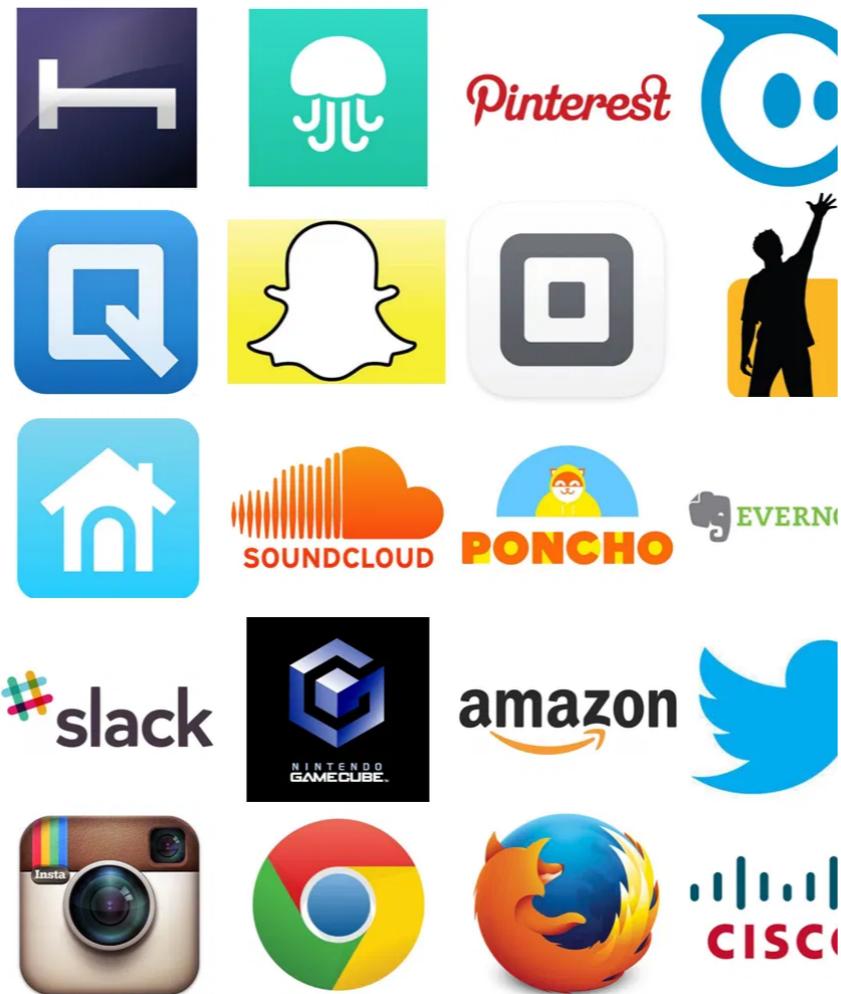
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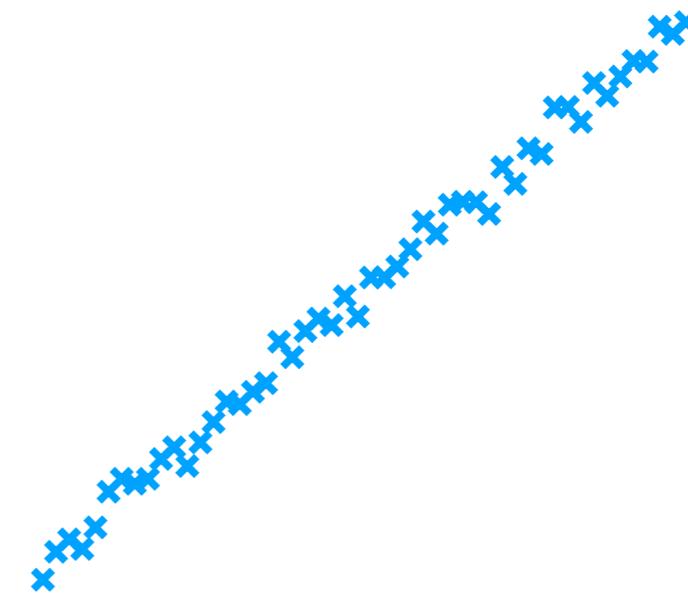
The real world has lots of data



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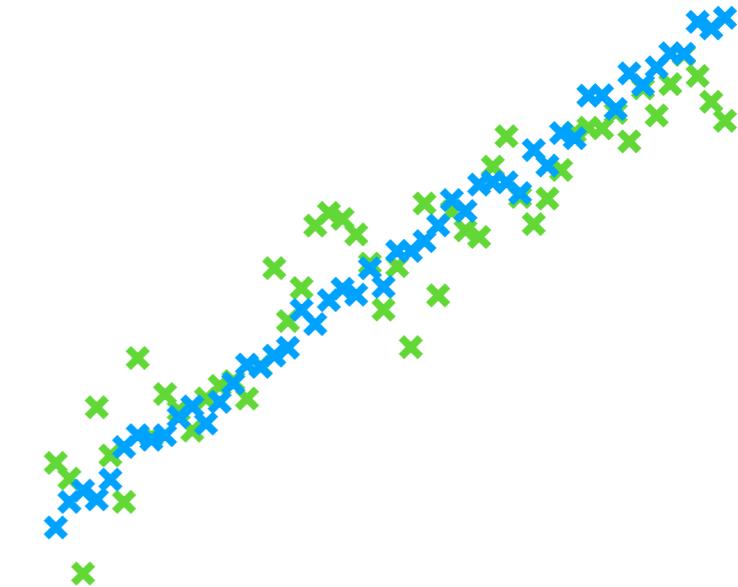


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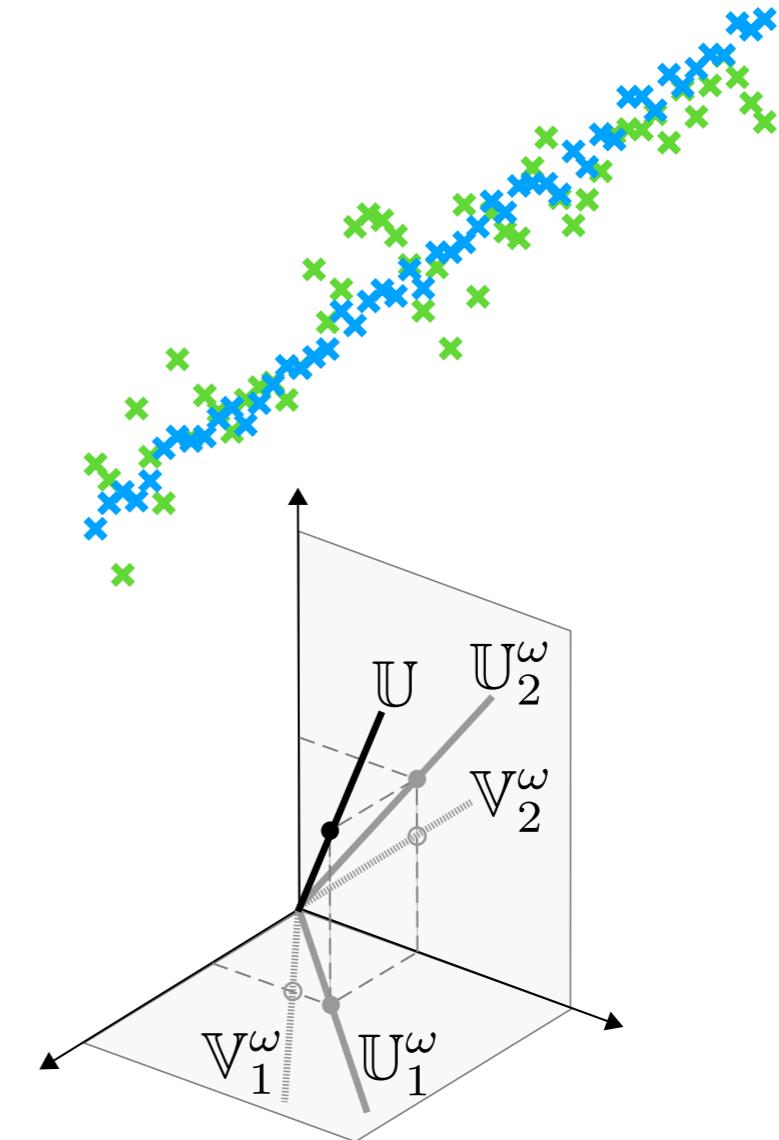
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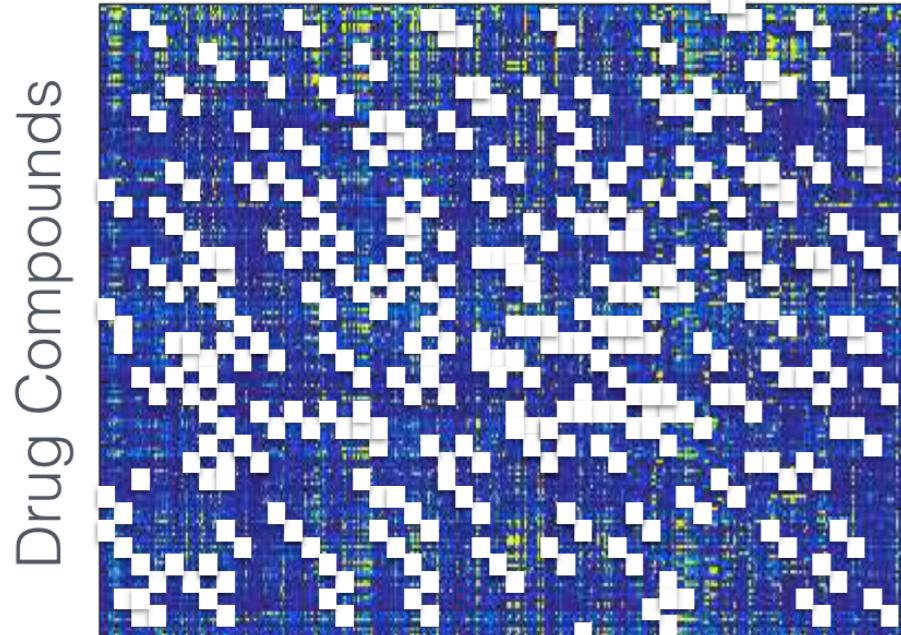
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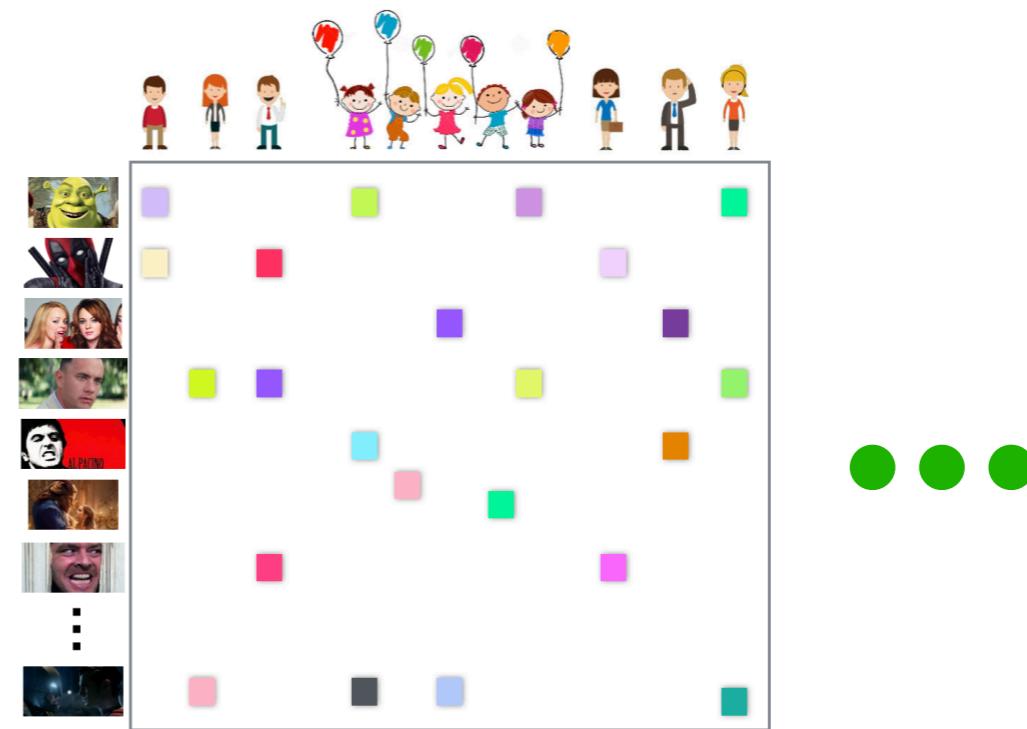
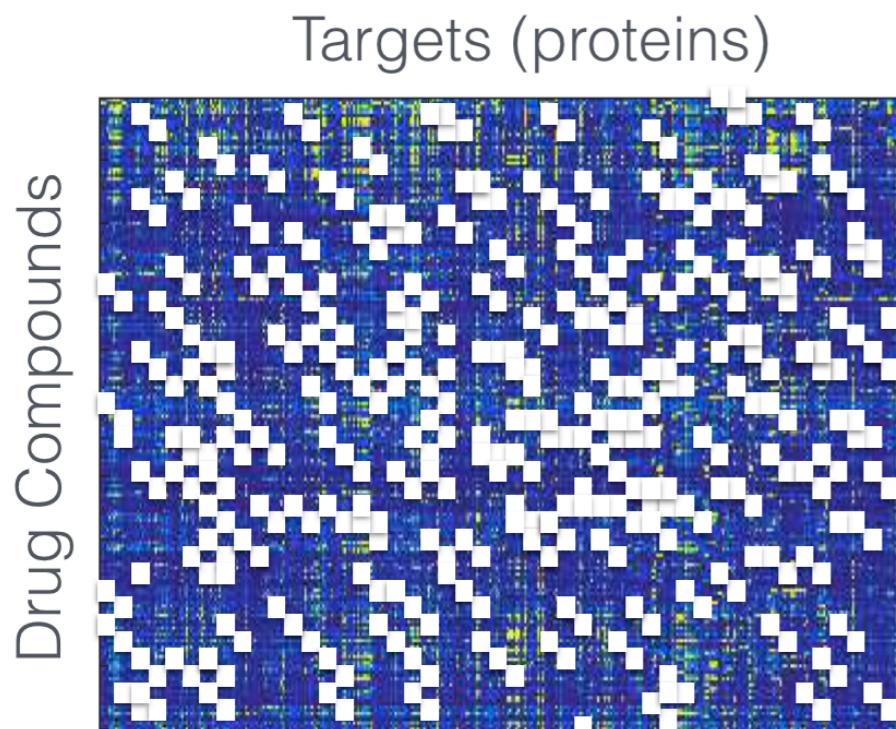
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Subspace Reconstruction sheds light on these problems

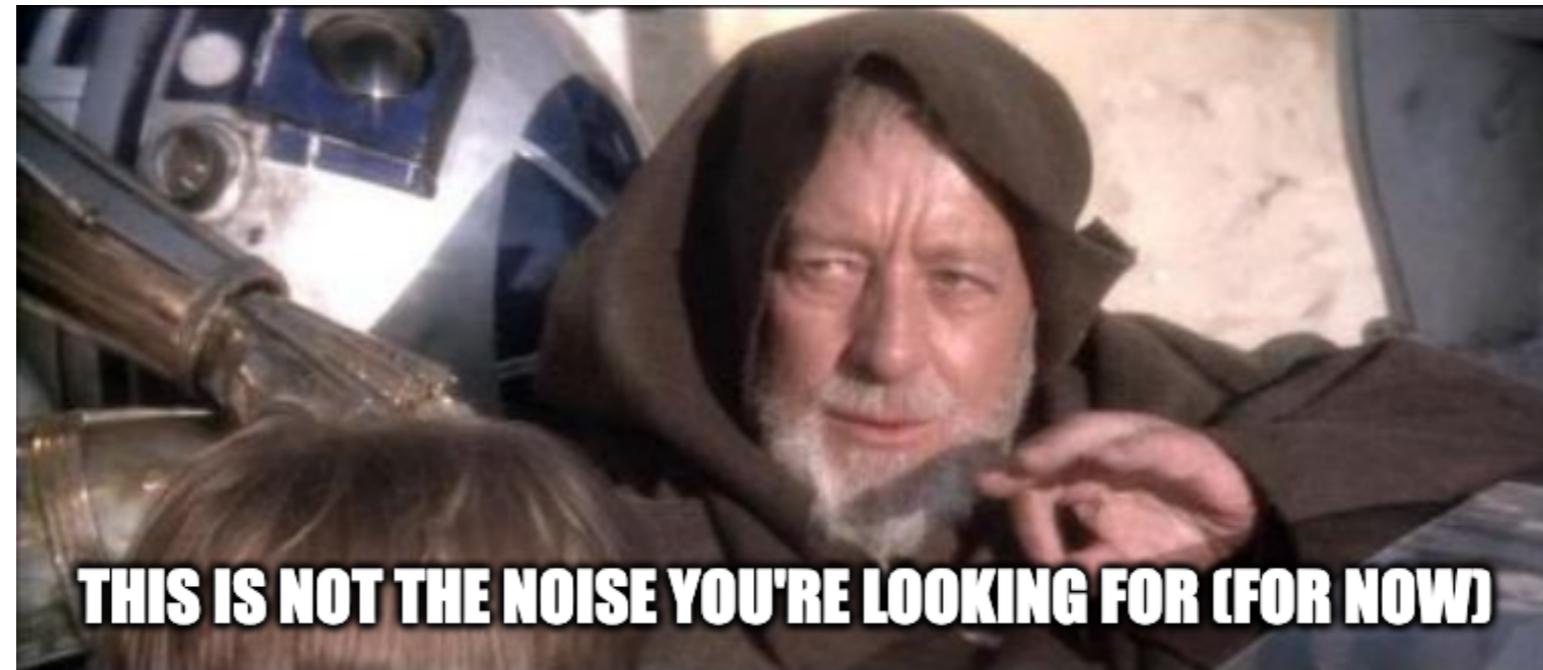
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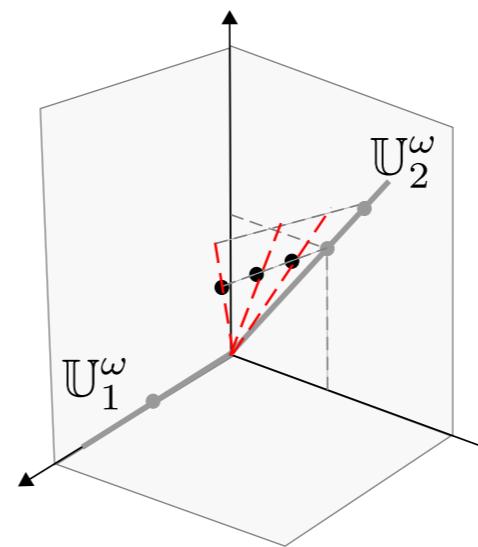
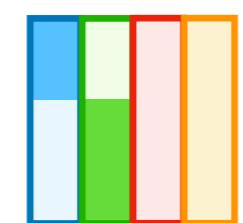
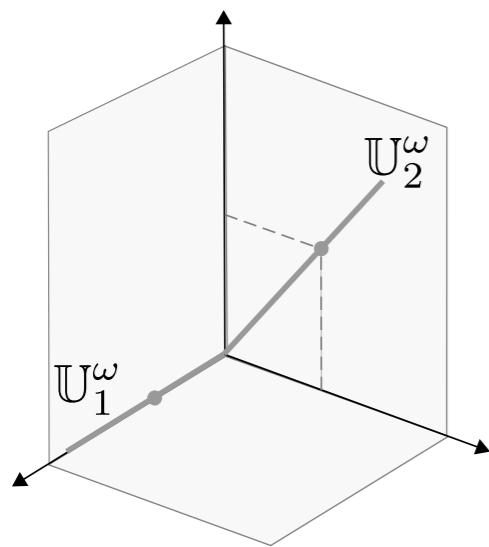
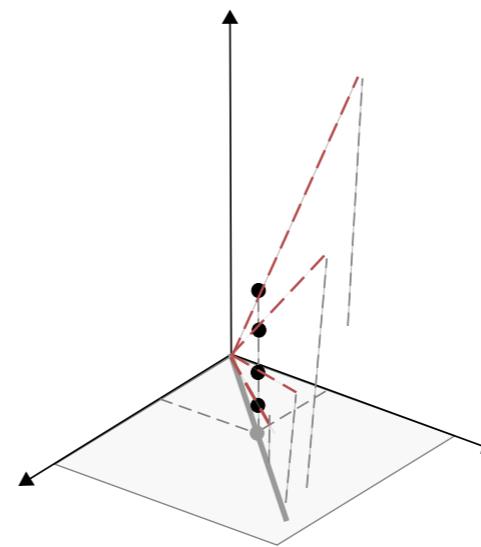
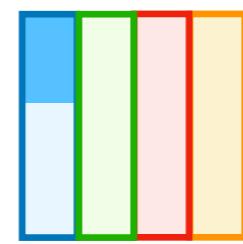
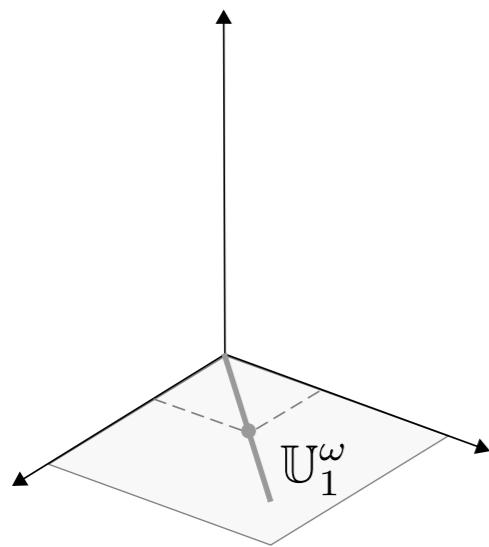
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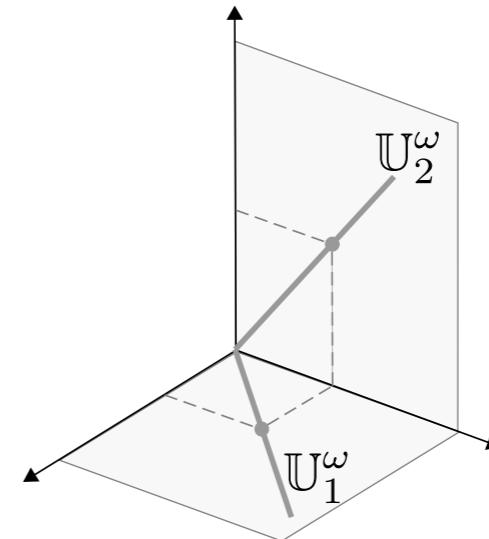
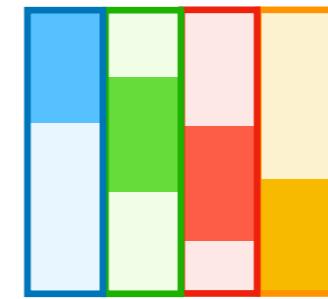
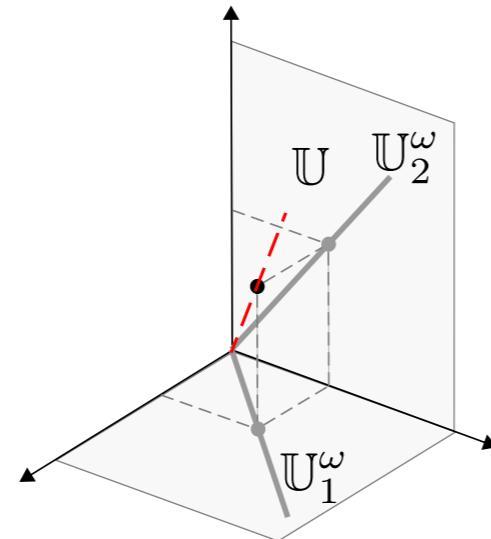
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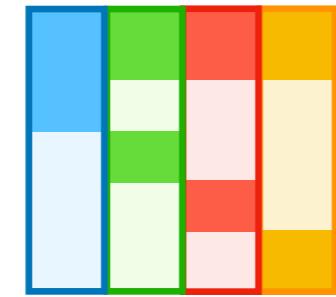
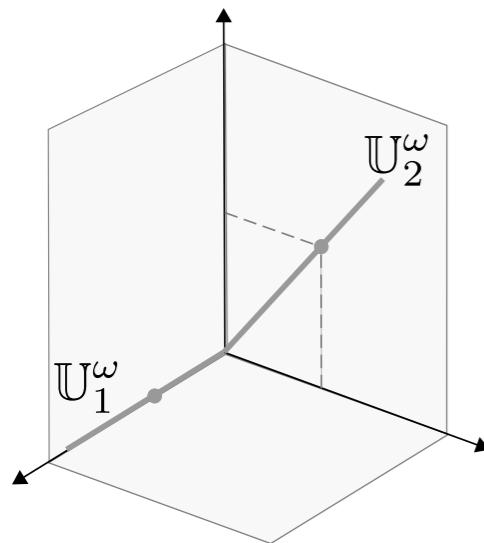
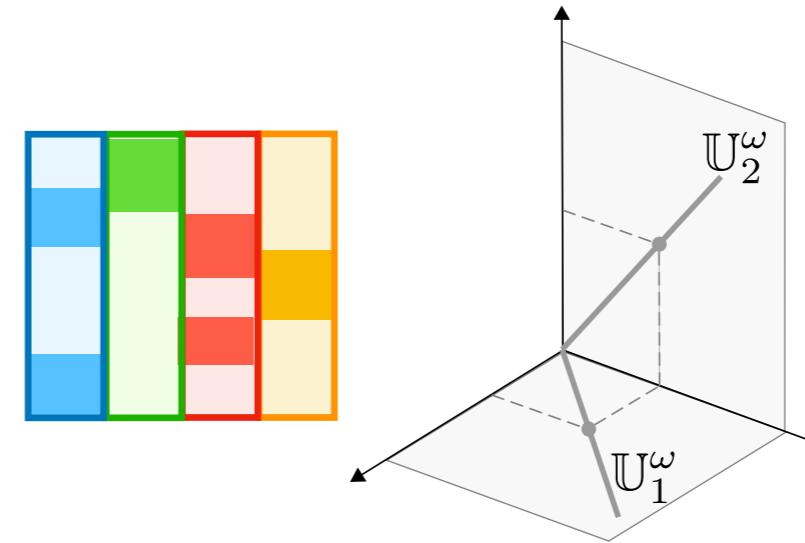
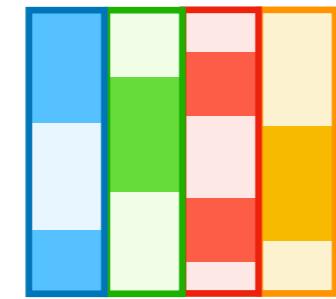
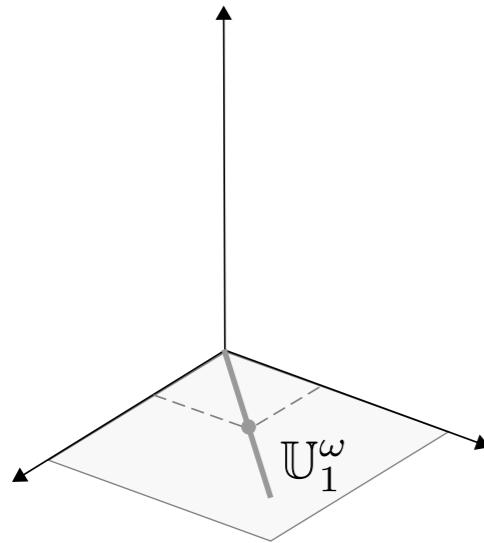
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Question: Which projections do we need to observe for a **unique** reconstruction?

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*There are some more technical conditions

- There are $N = d - r$ observations (WLOG)
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But this is the essence of the deterministic result

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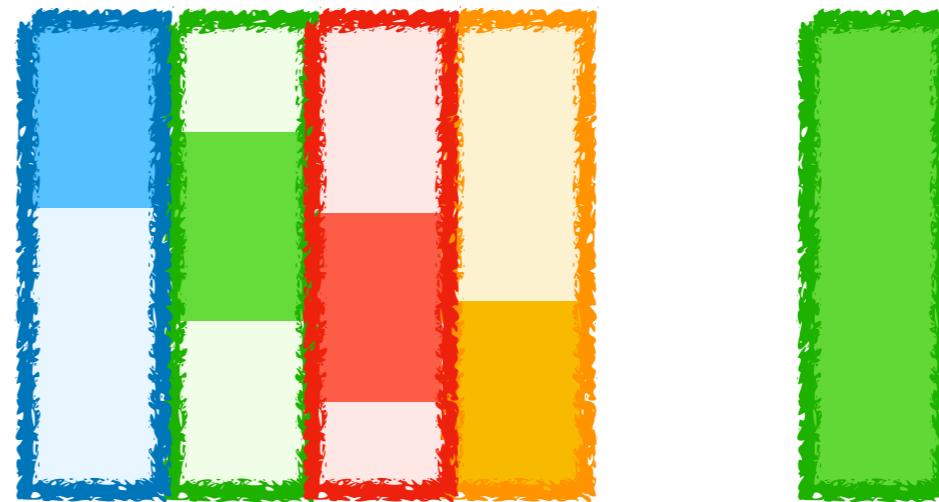
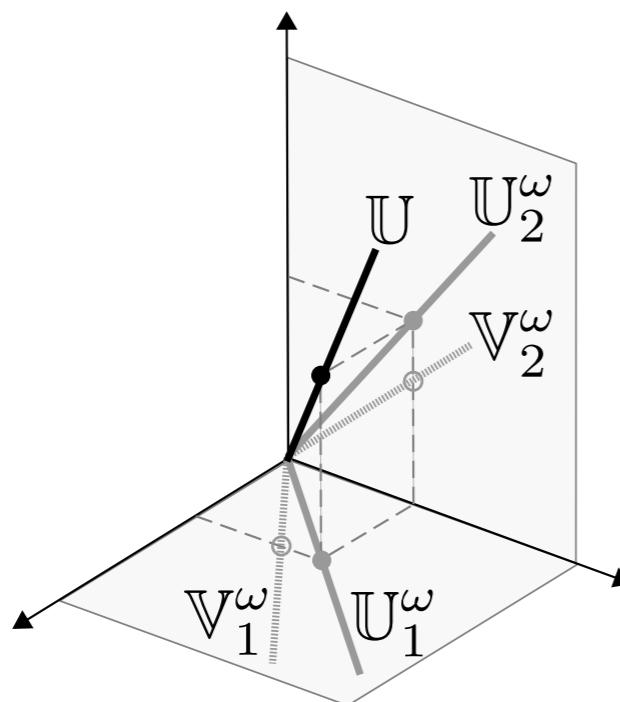
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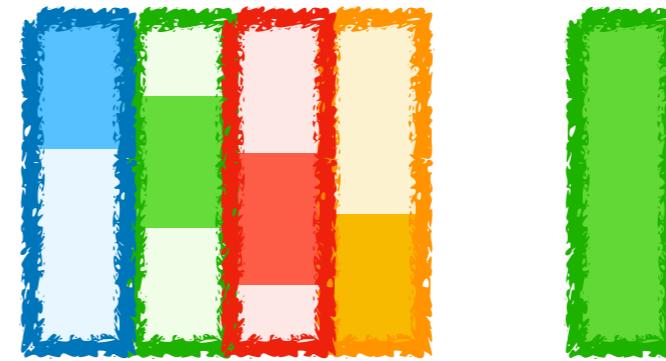
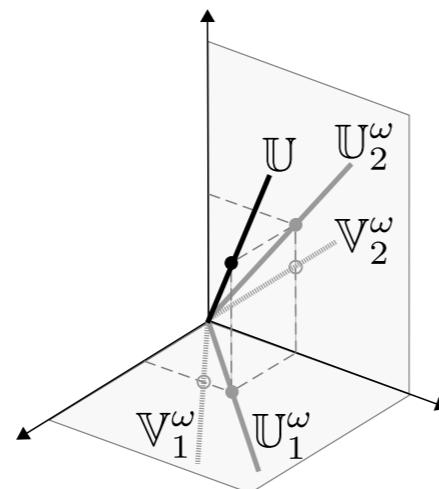
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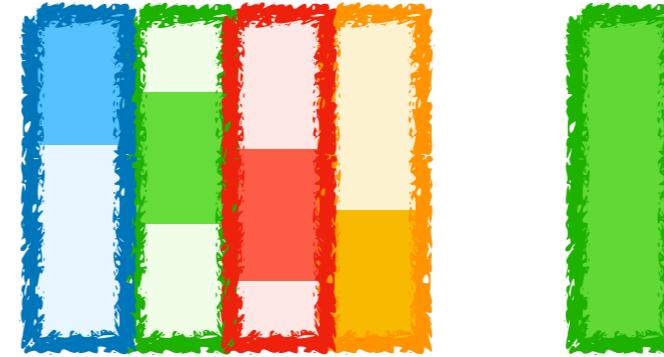
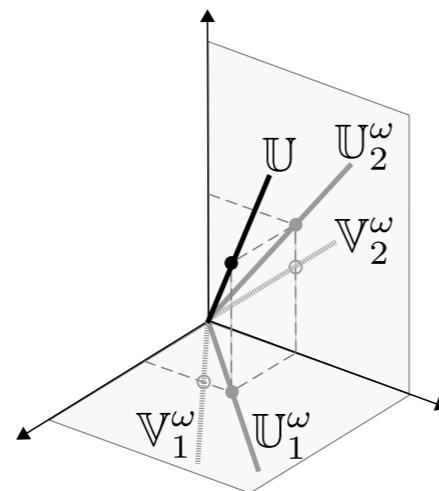
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- $\|Z_i^\omega\|_2 < \epsilon$, so ϵ is the noise
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Main Result

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Theorem (S., P.-A., this paper)

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This refers to a set of measure zero subspaces that we will not identify.

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This is the distance between \mathbb{U} and $\hat{\mathbb{U}}$ on the grassmannian manifold - a standard metric to measure how different two subspaces are.

$$d_G(A, B) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \|P_A - P_B\|_F$$

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This is the (multiplicative inverse of the) *signal-to-noise ratio* where

- $|Z_i^\omega|_2 < \epsilon$, for every i , bounds the *noise*
- $\min_i(\sigma(V_i^\omega)) =: \delta$ requires that the *signal power* is at least δ

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$$\epsilon = 0 \implies d_G(\mathbb{U}, \hat{\mathbb{U}}) = 0 \implies \mathbb{U} = \hat{\mathbb{U}}$$

Taking $\epsilon = 0$, this bound recovers Theorem 1 (P.-A., et. al).

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B is a matrix that encodes the sampling and the orientation of the subspace (more later). $\sigma(B)$ is its smallest singular value.

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Computability: The bound is not just theoretical but very computable (i.e. it is based on the observed noisy data)

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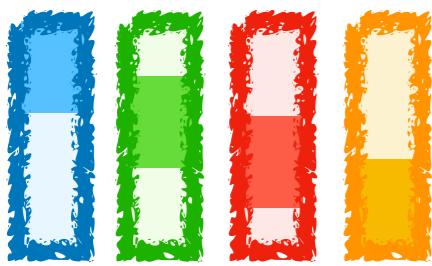
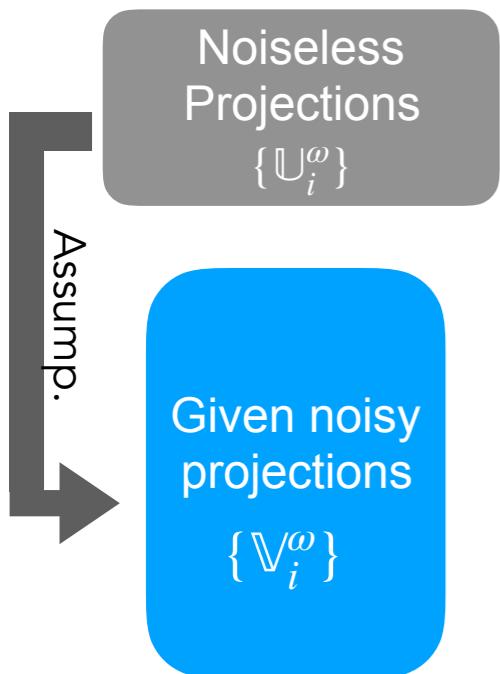
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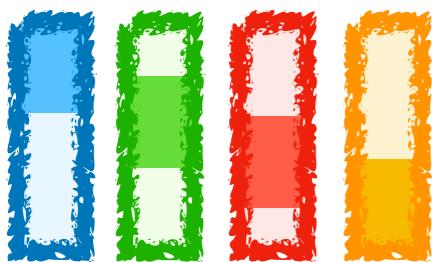
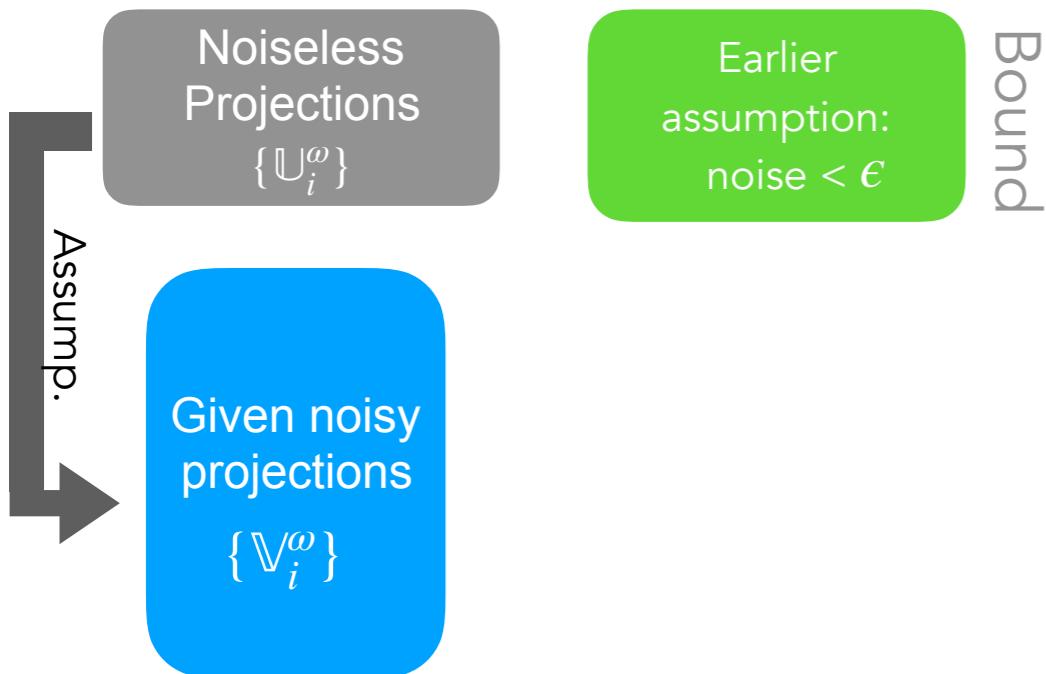


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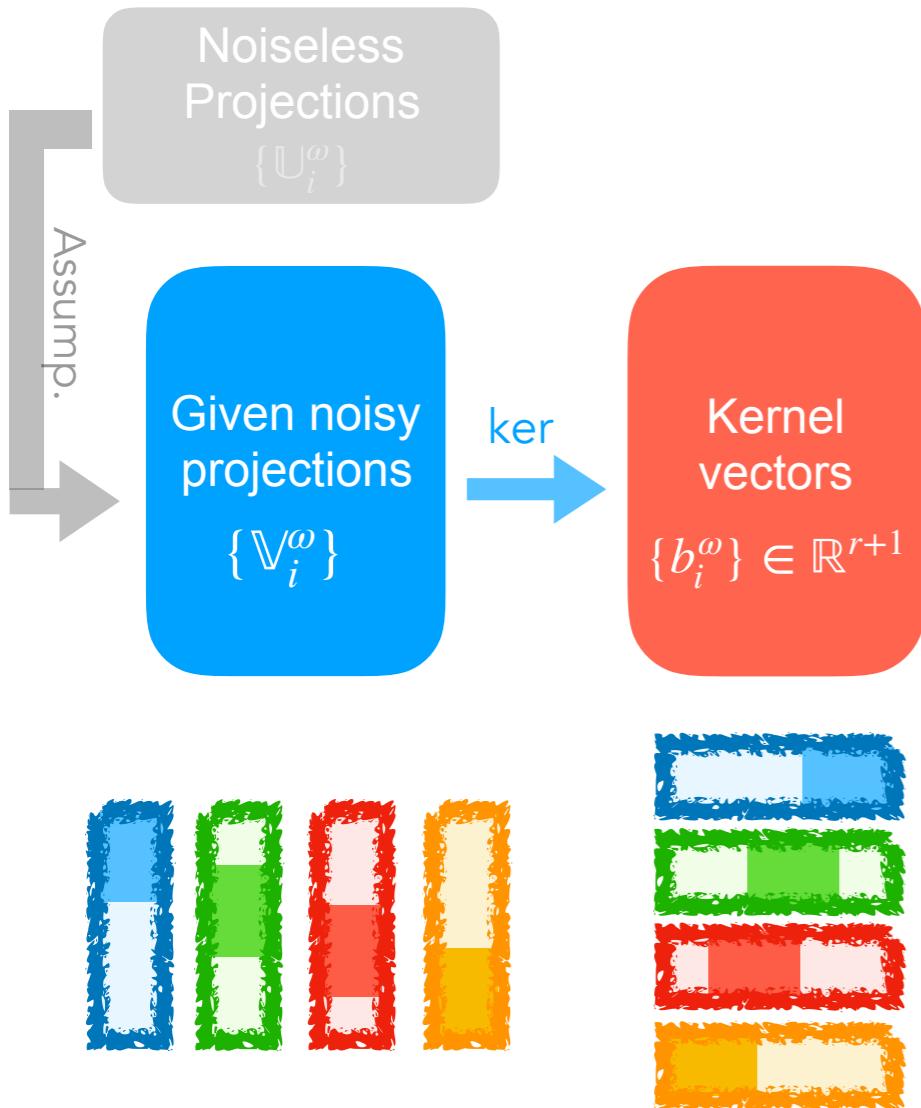
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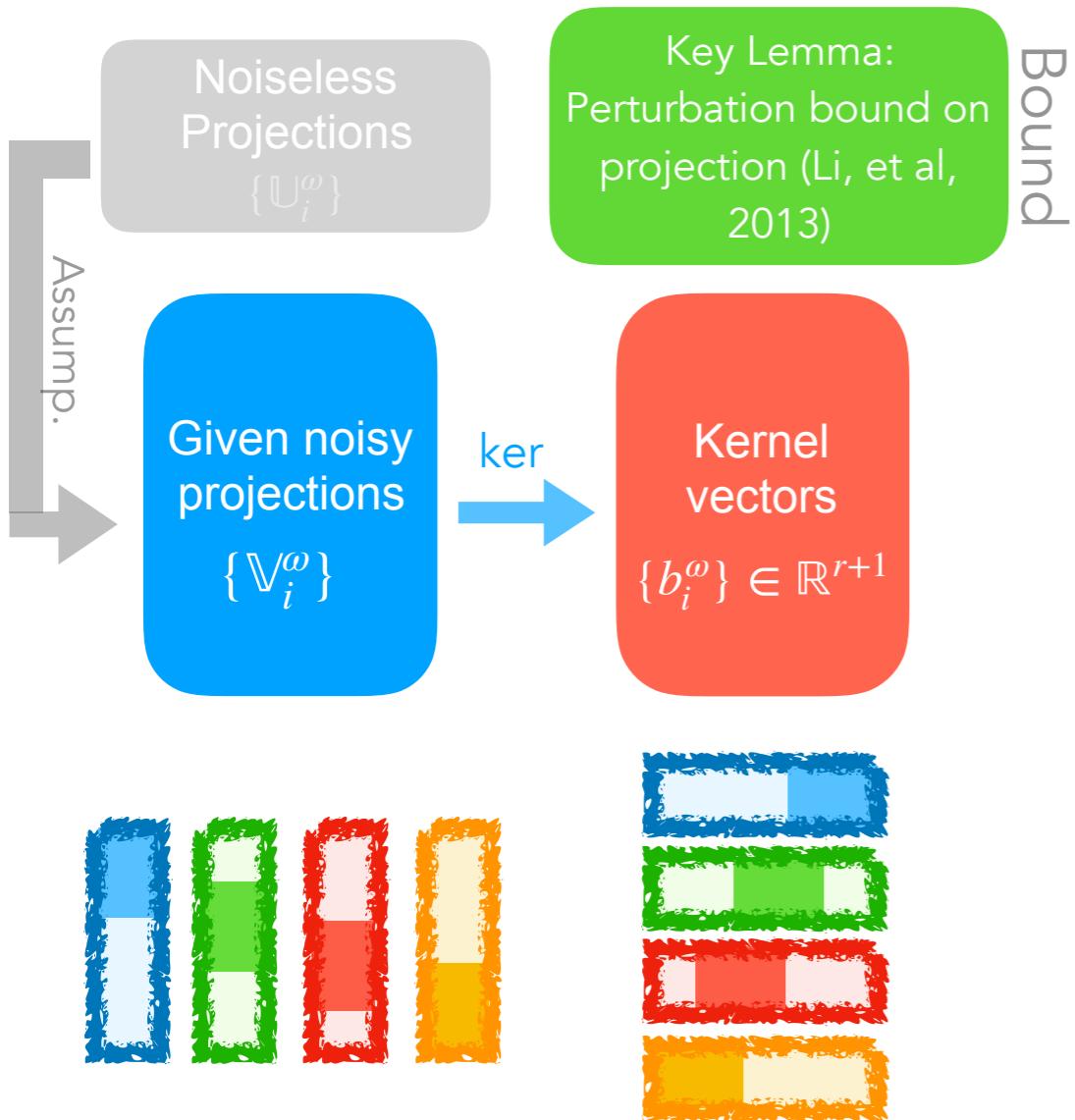


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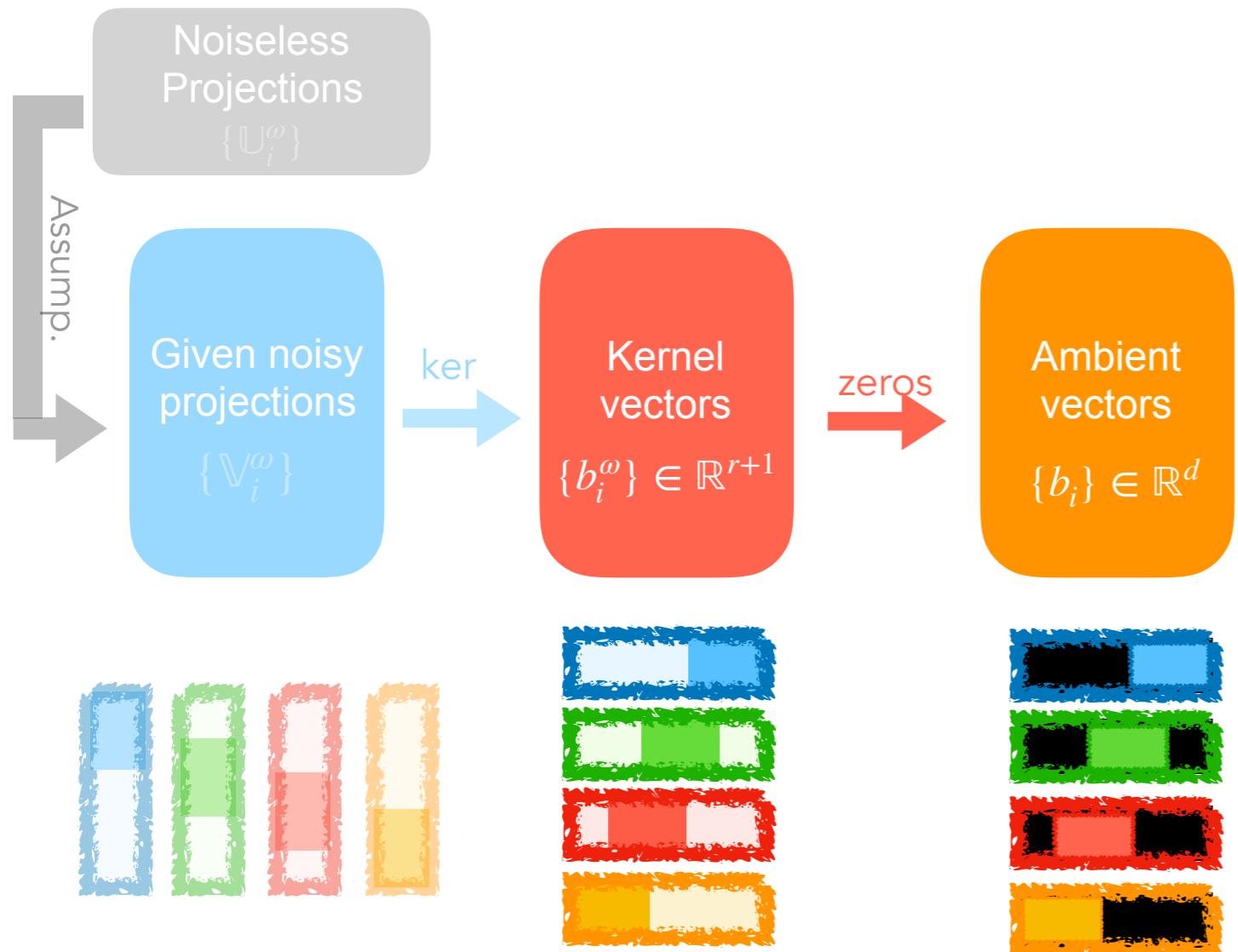
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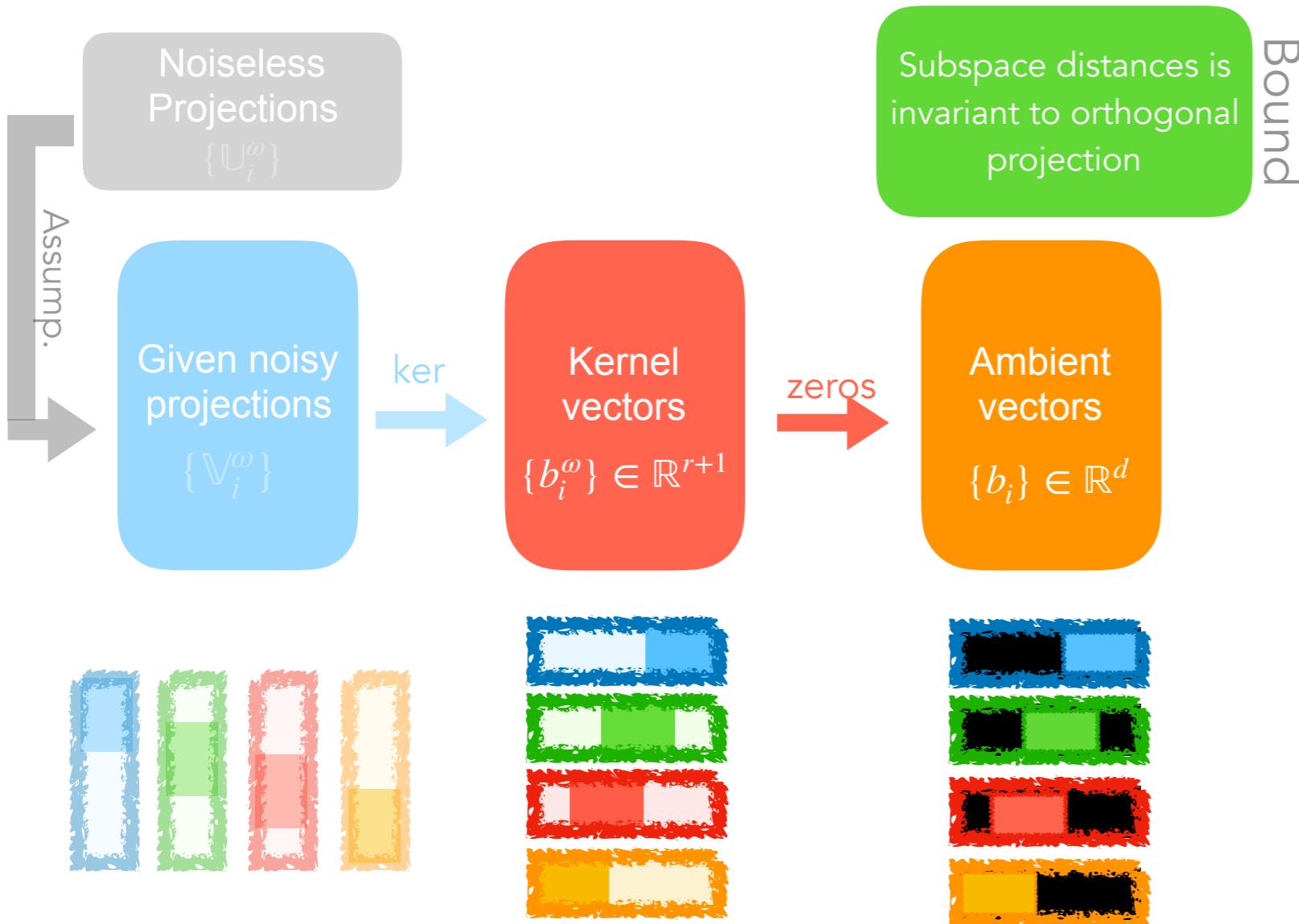
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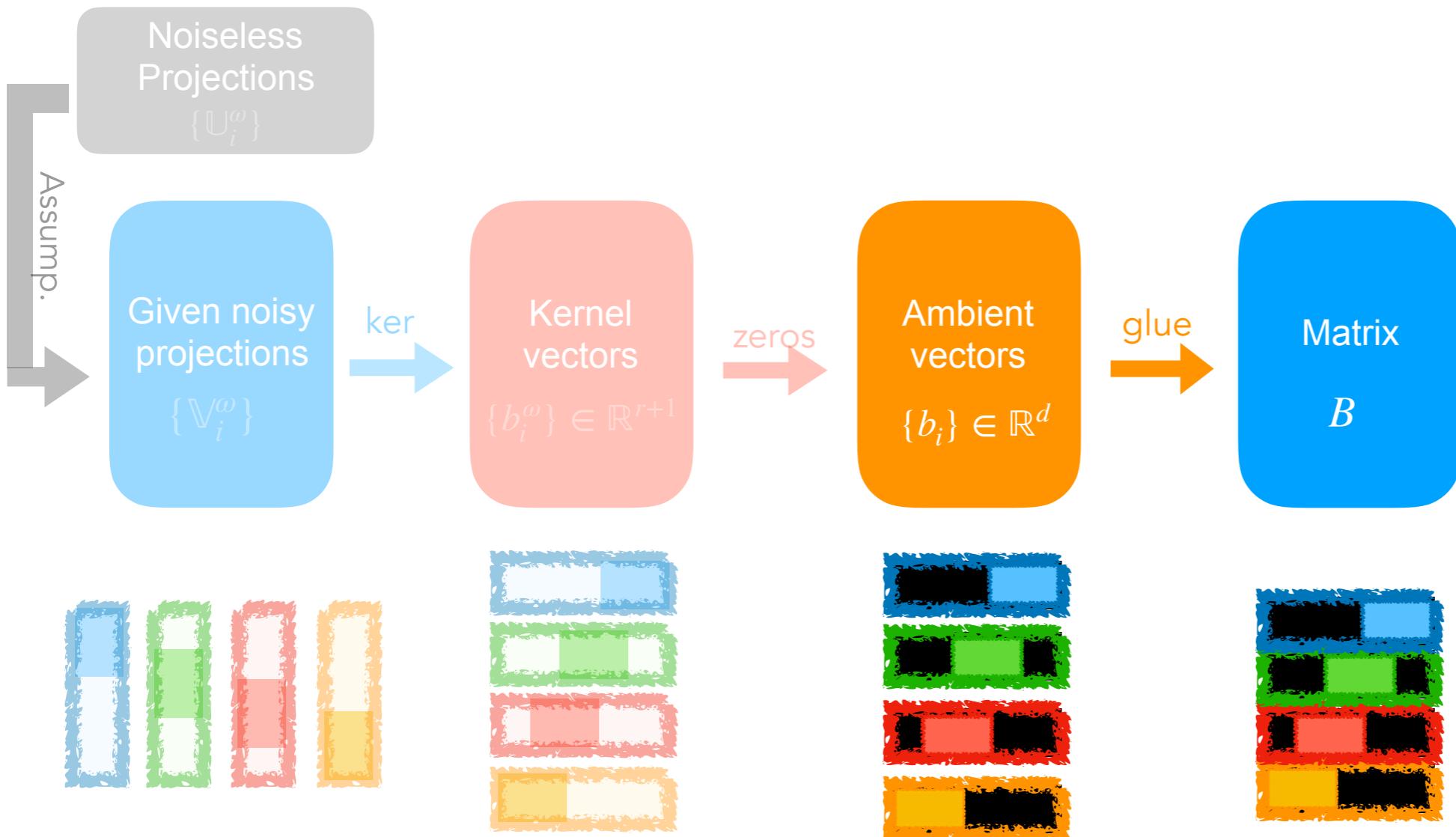
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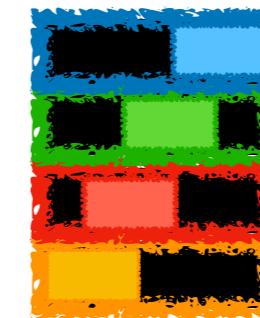
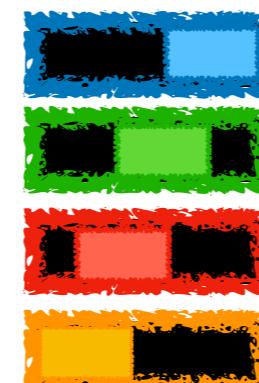
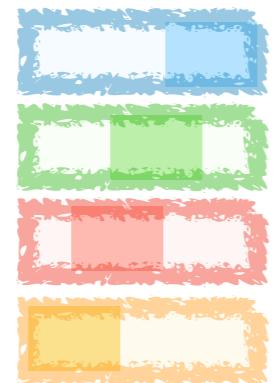
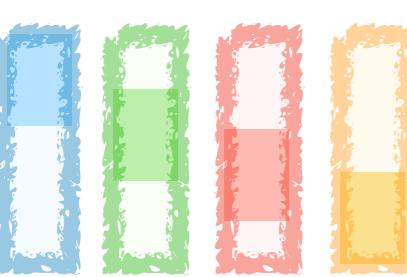
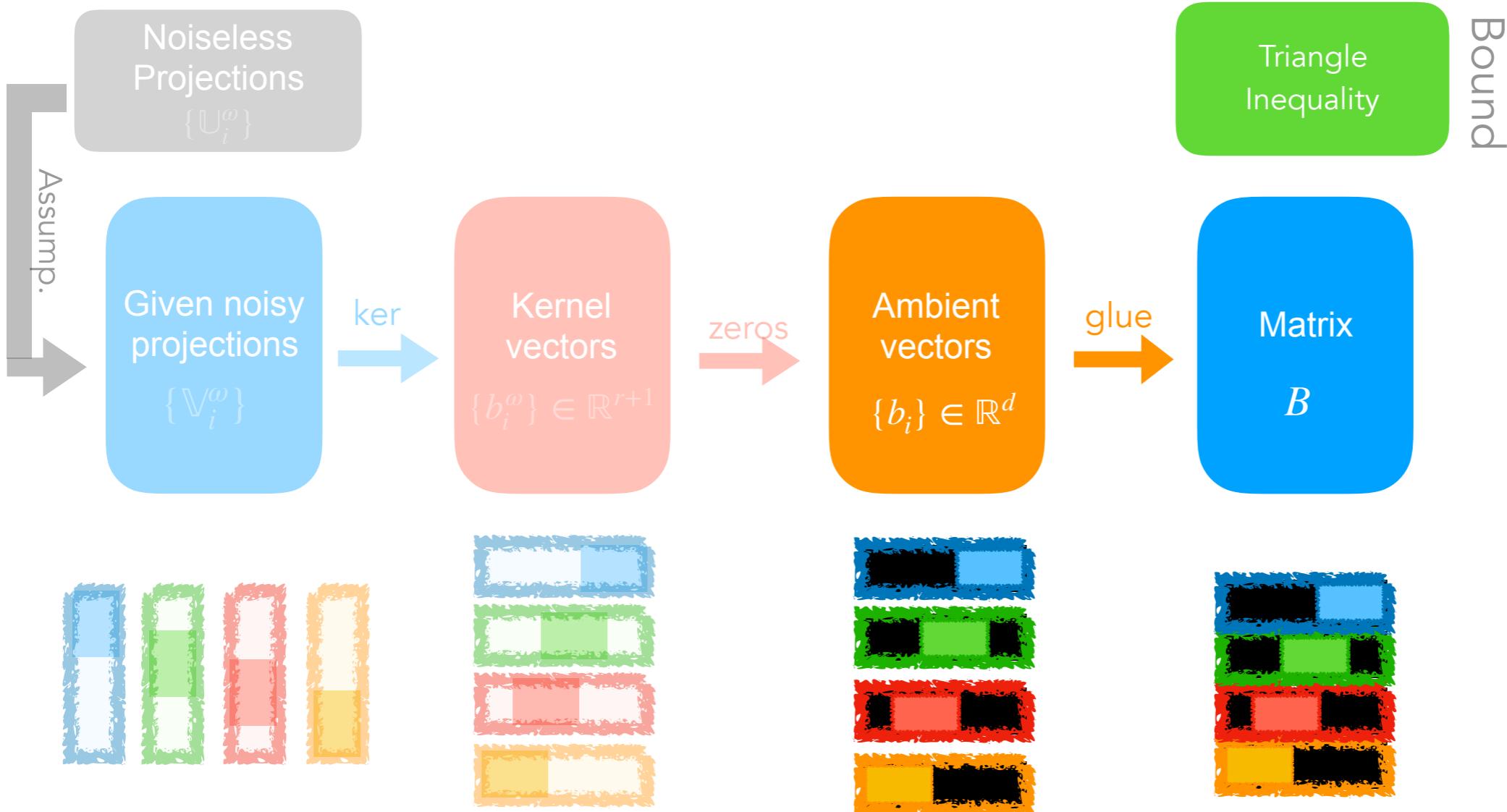


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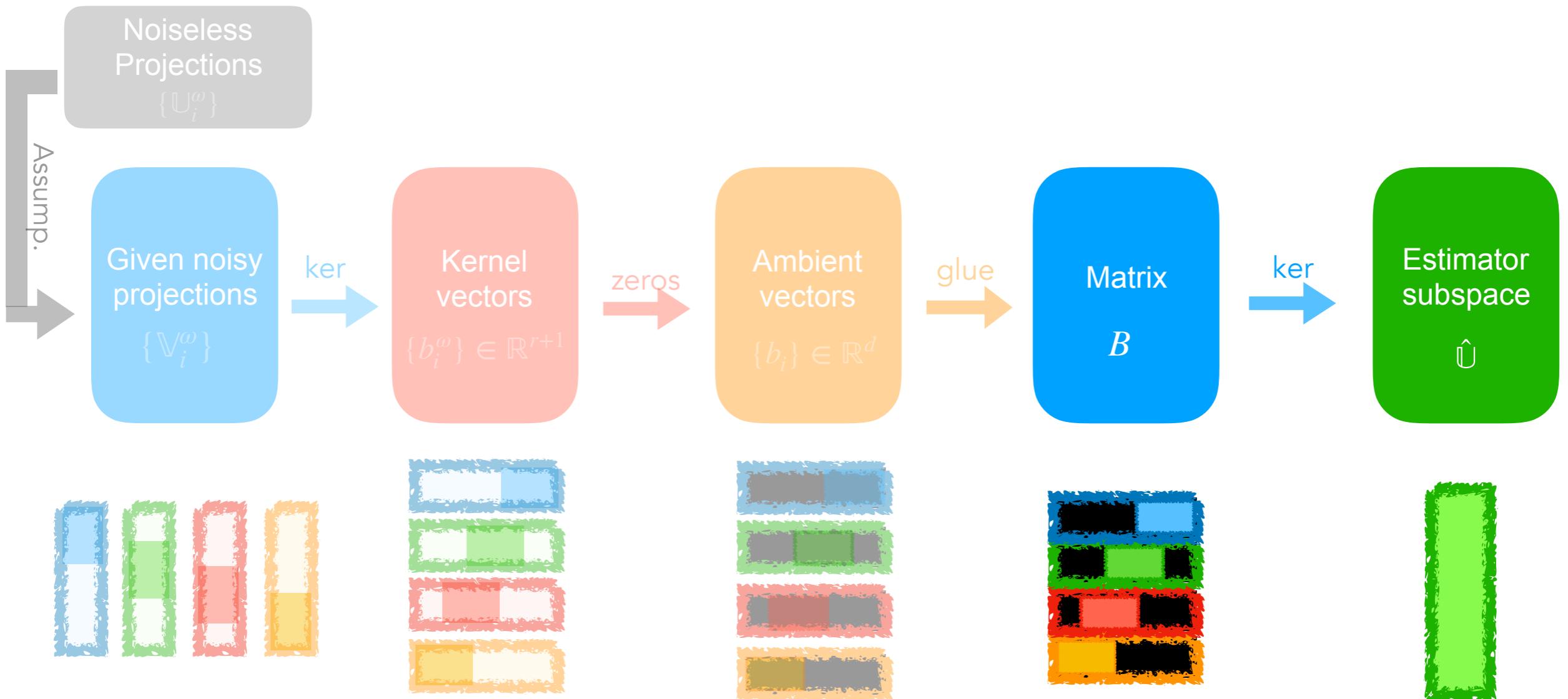


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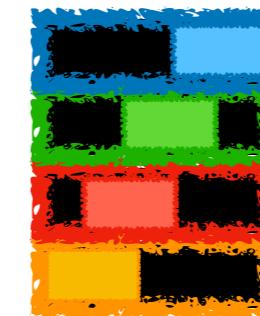
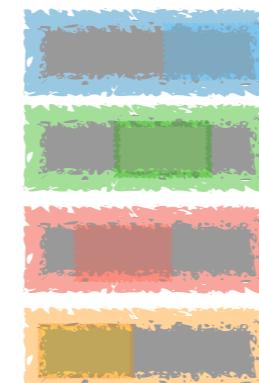
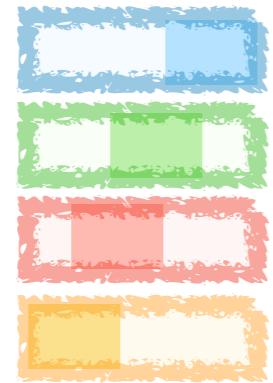
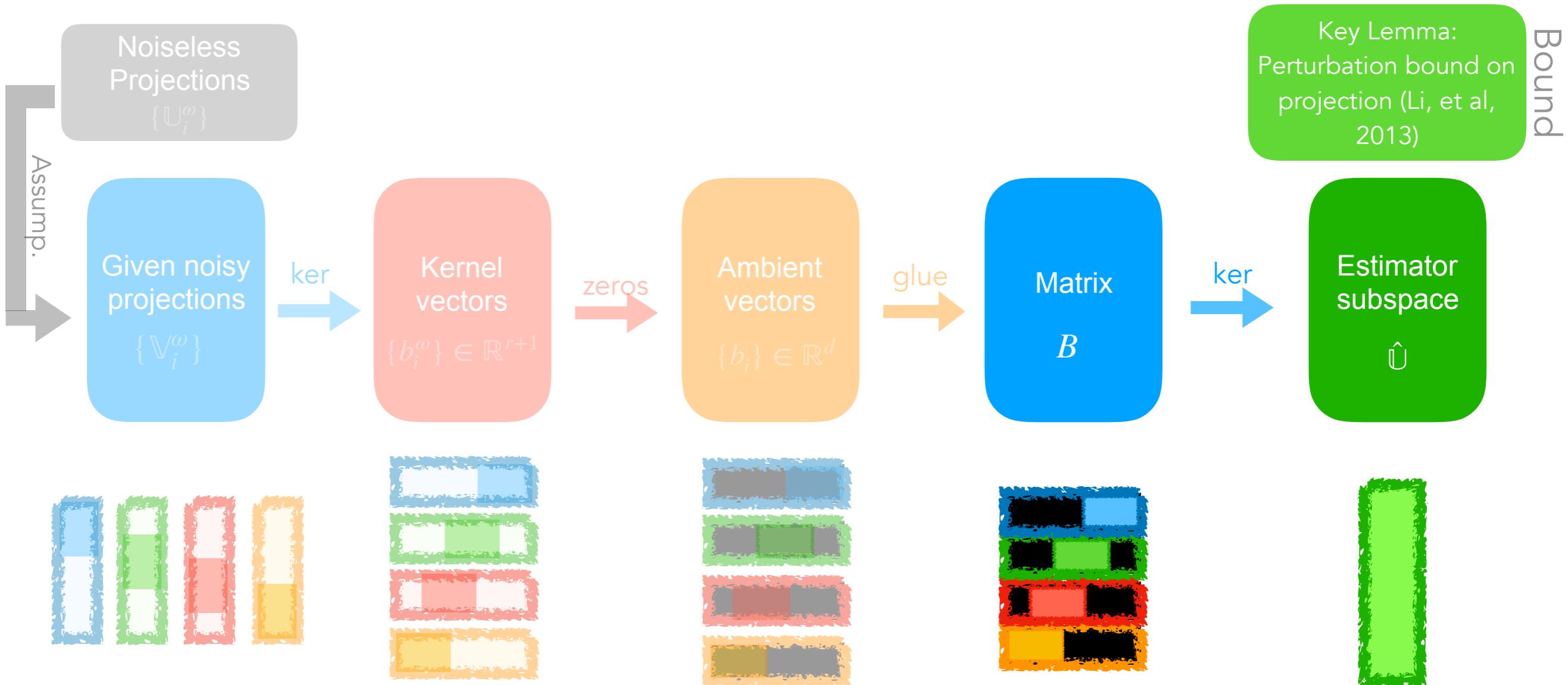
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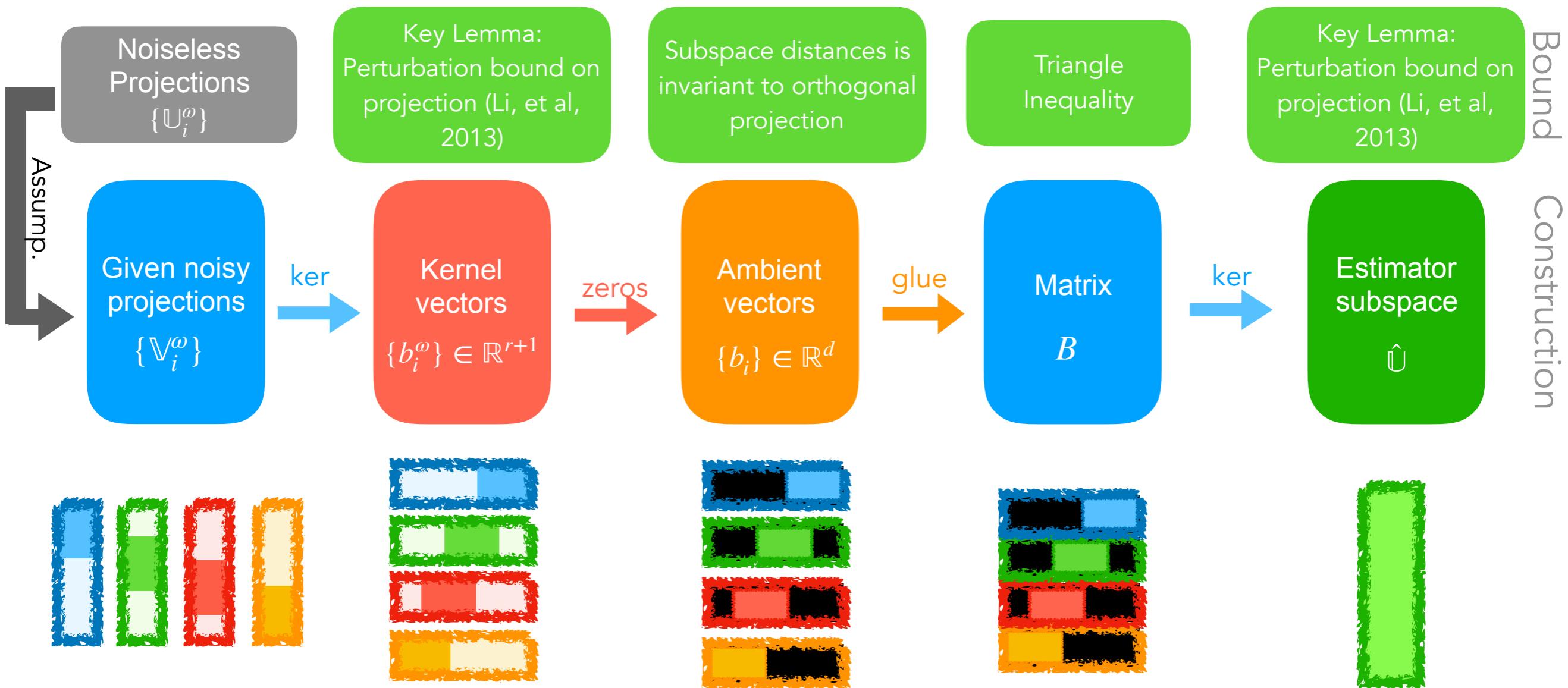
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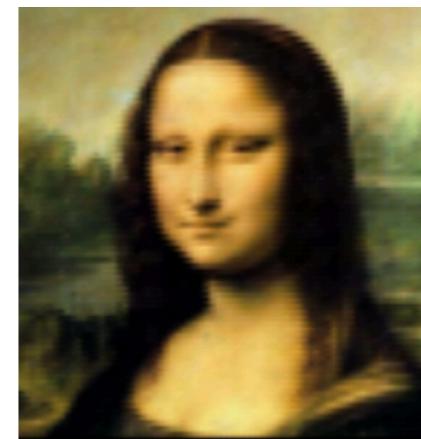
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Okay, but **how good is the estimator?**

True Space \mathbb{U}



Estimator $\hat{\mathbb{U}}$



or



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Theorem (S., P.-A., this paper)

For almost every \mathbb{U} ,

$$d_G(\mathbb{U}, \hat{\mathbb{U}}) \leq \frac{\epsilon \sqrt{2r(d-r)}}{\delta \cdot \sigma(B)}$$



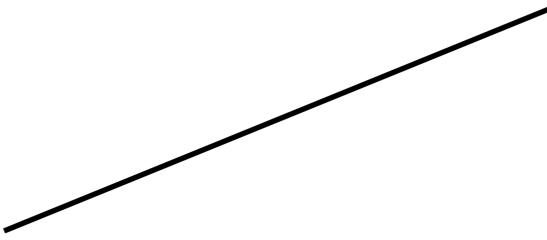
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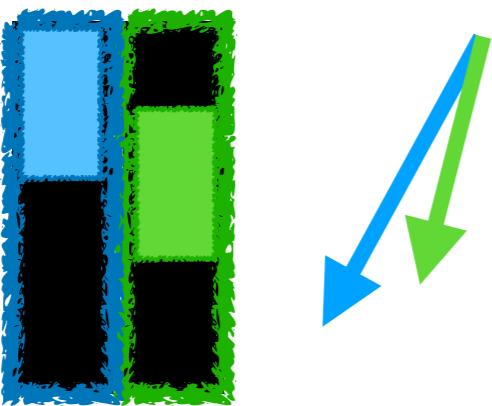


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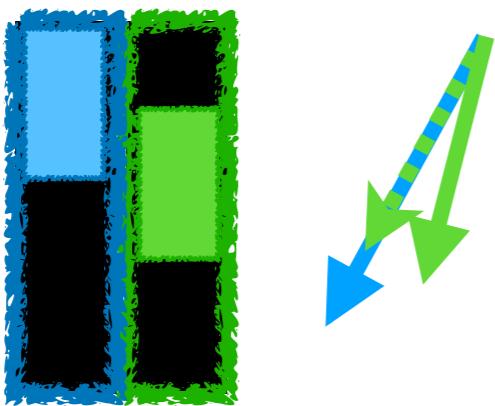
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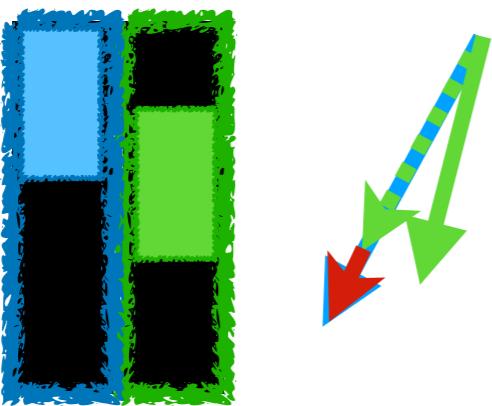
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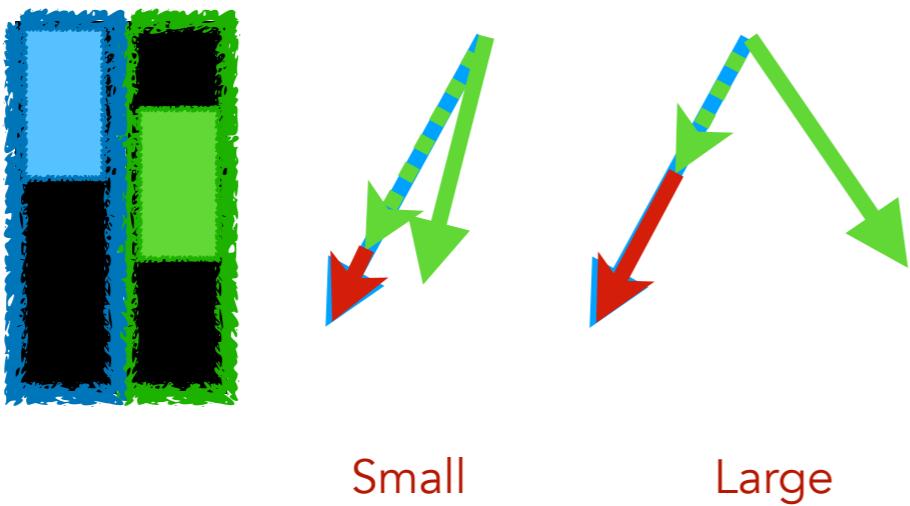
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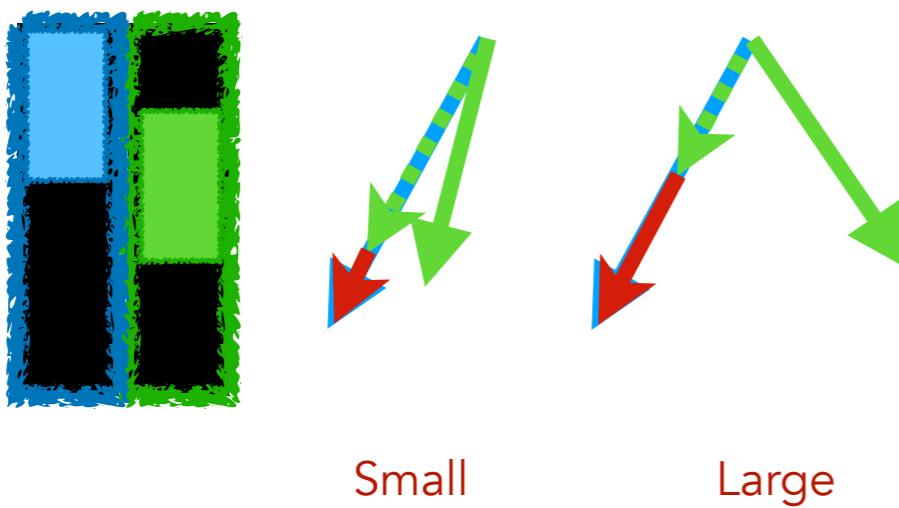
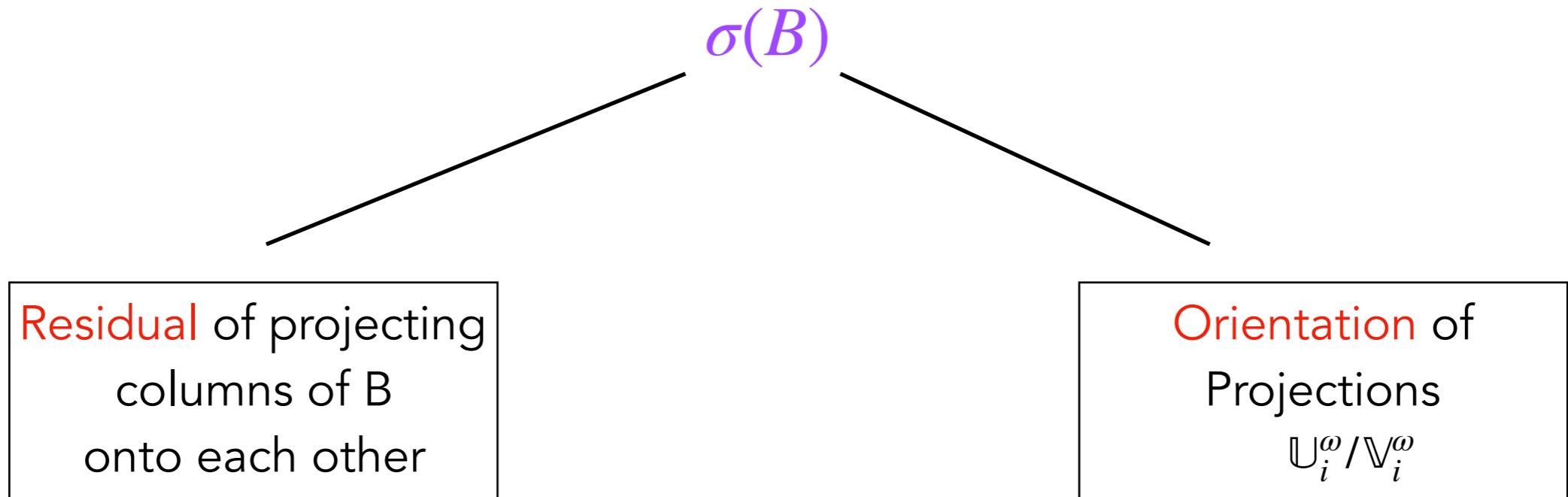
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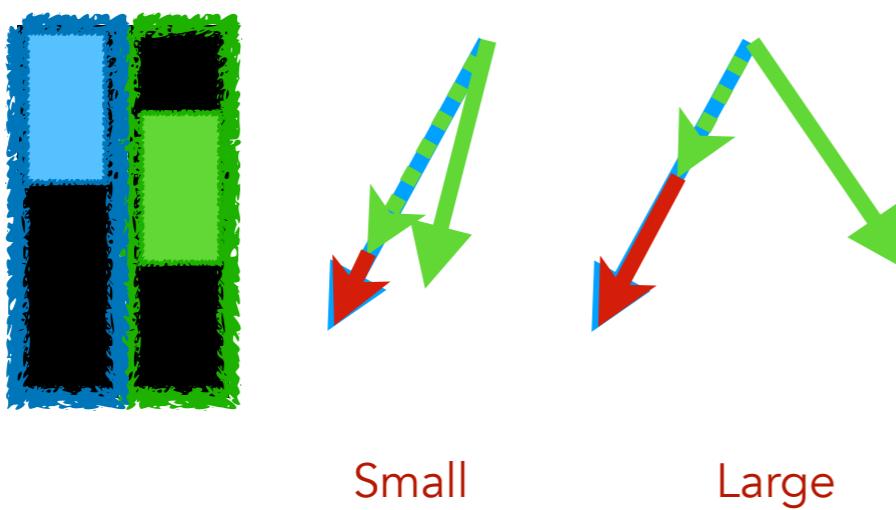
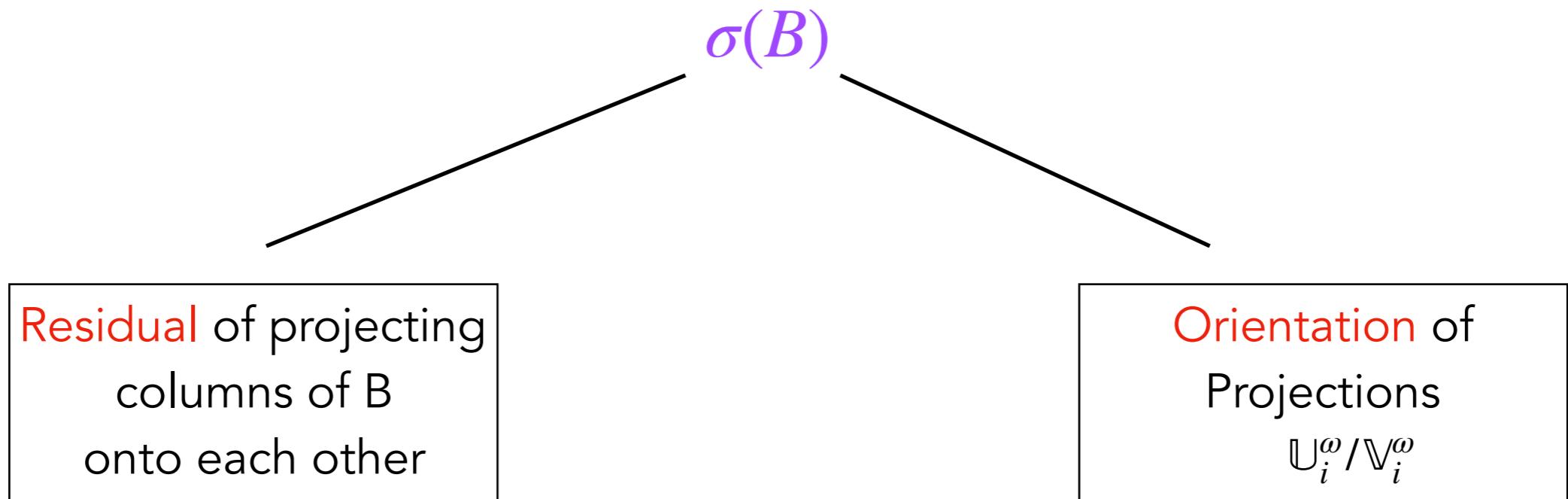
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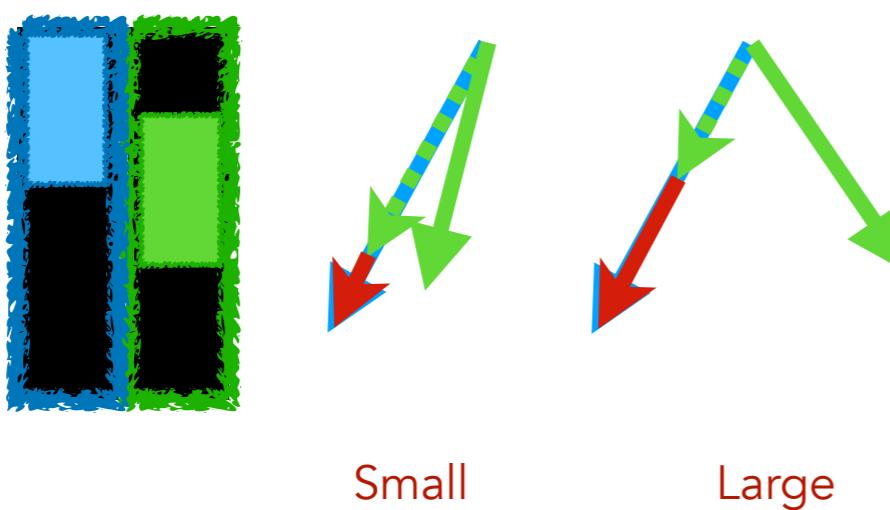
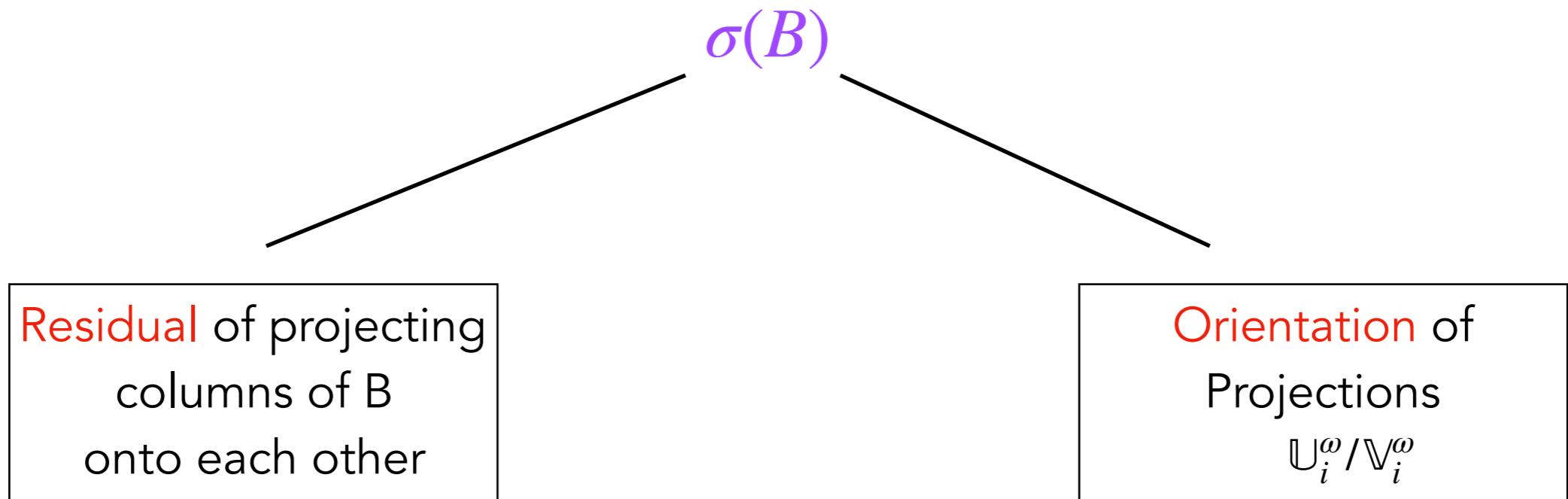


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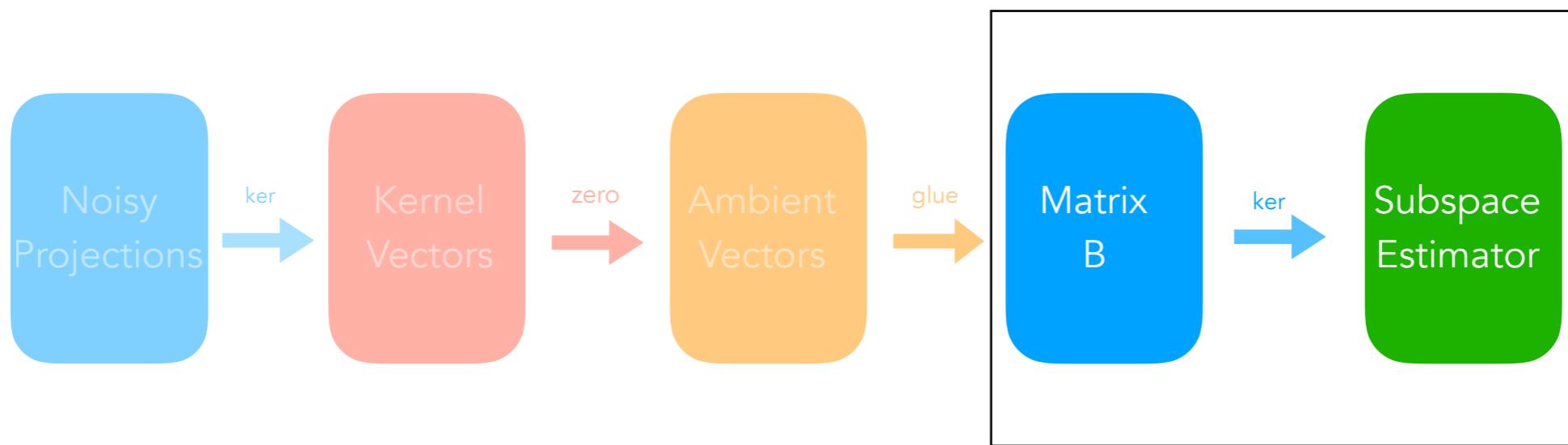
b_i is a perturbation of $[\alpha_i^T, -1]$

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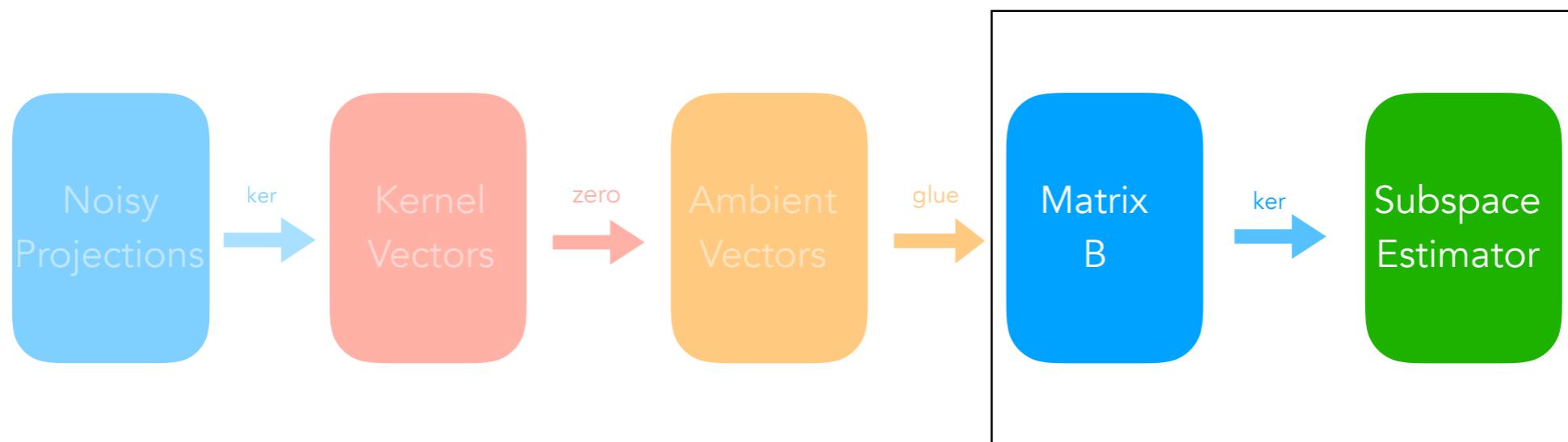
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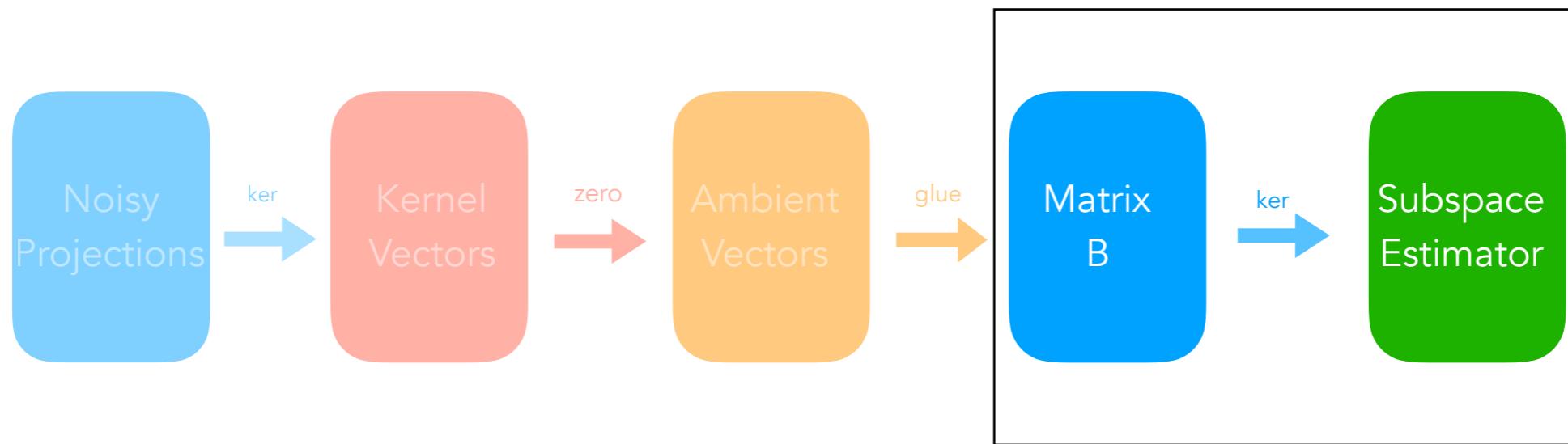
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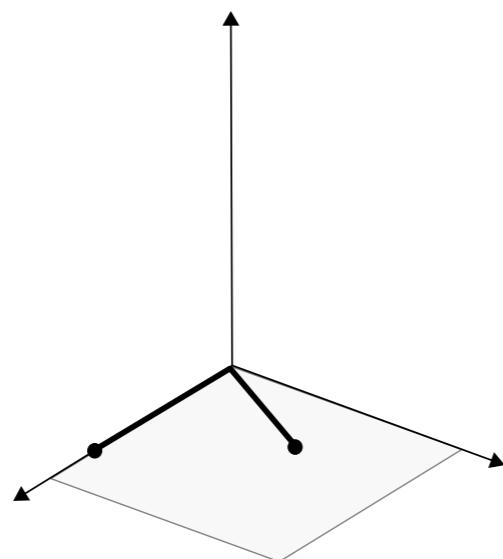
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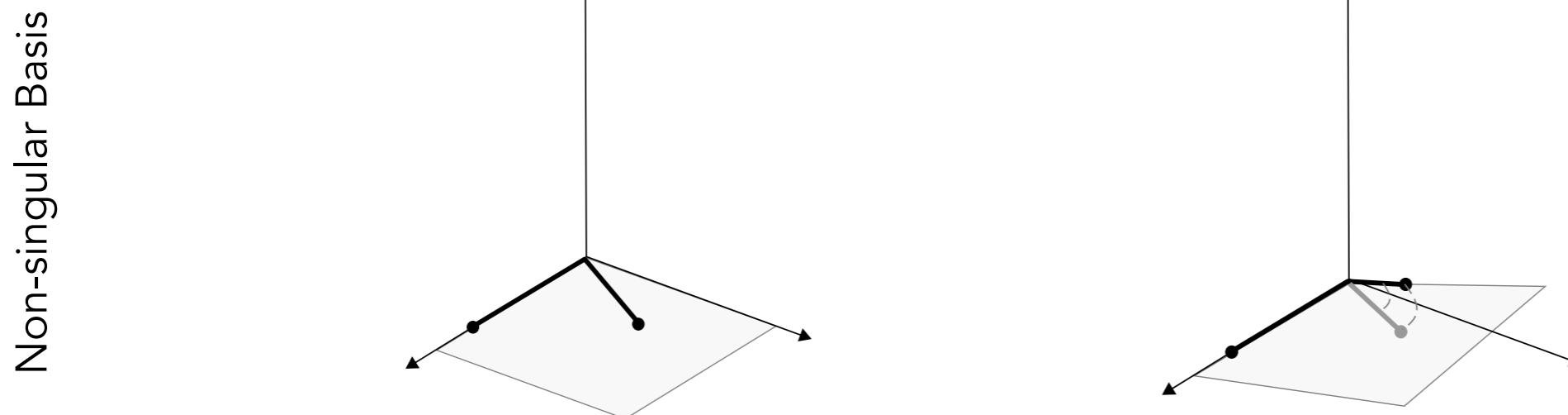
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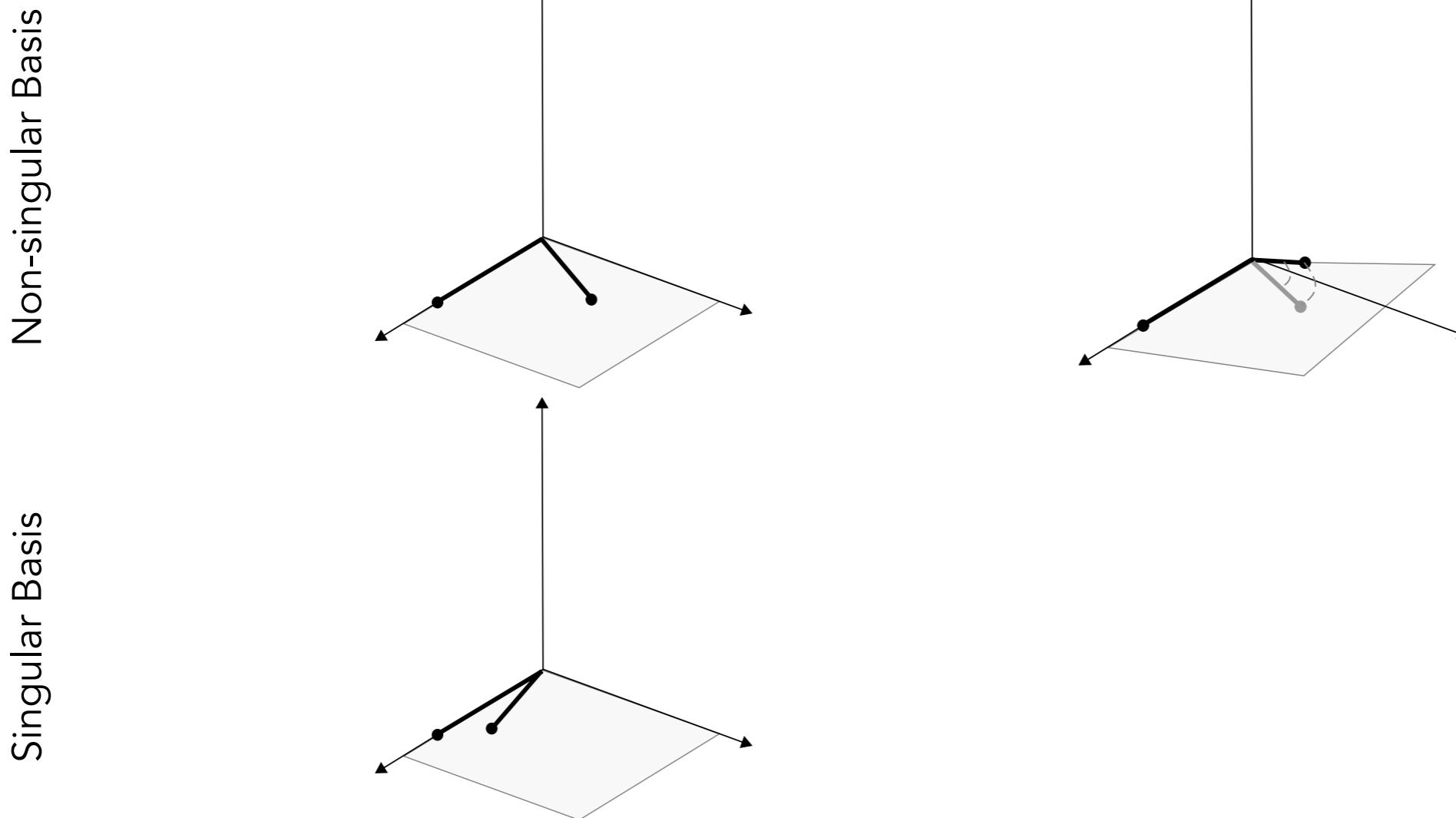
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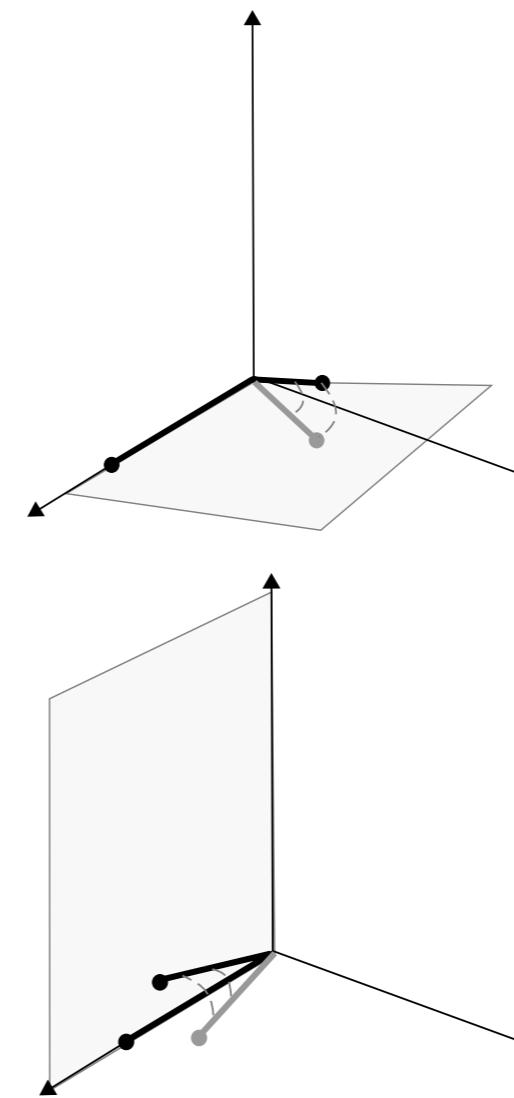
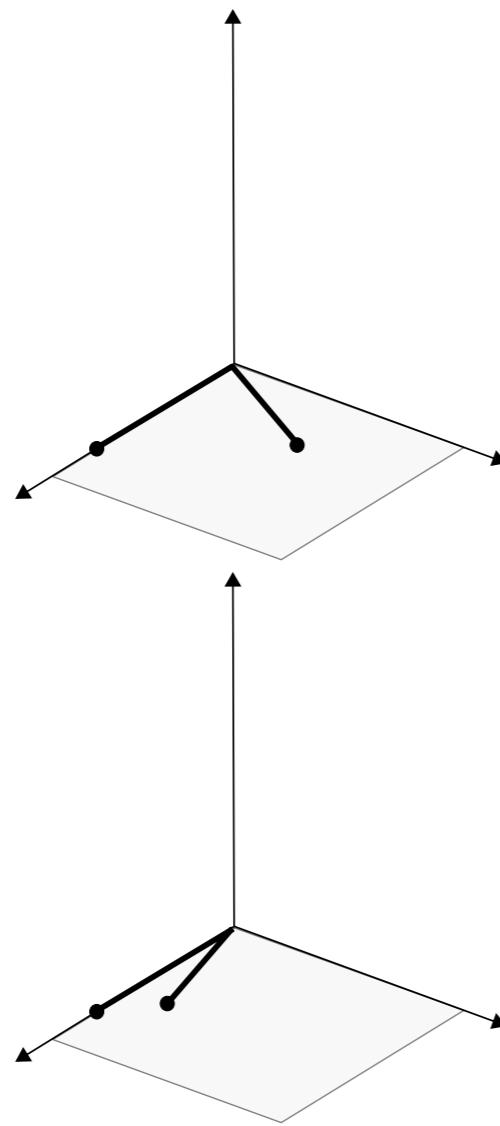
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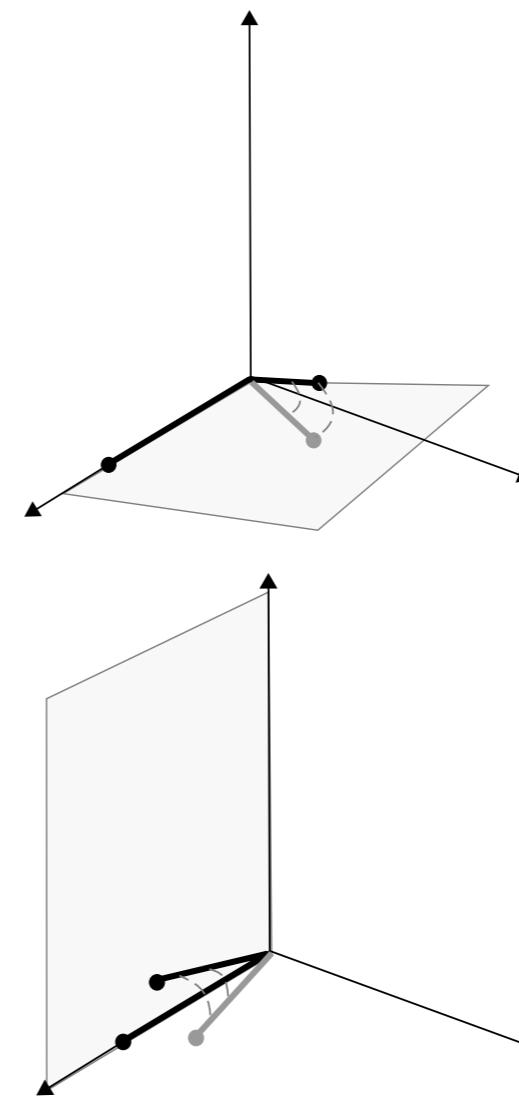
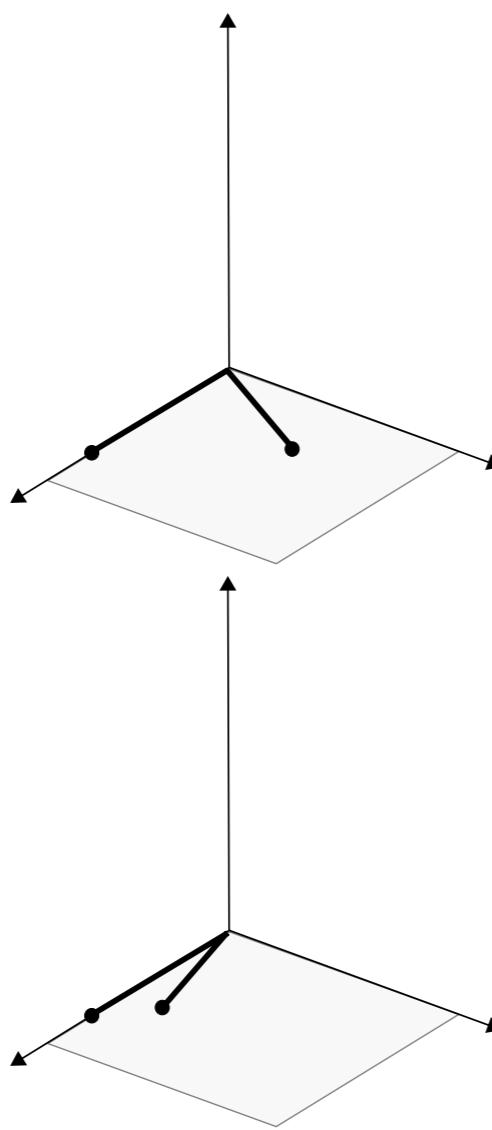
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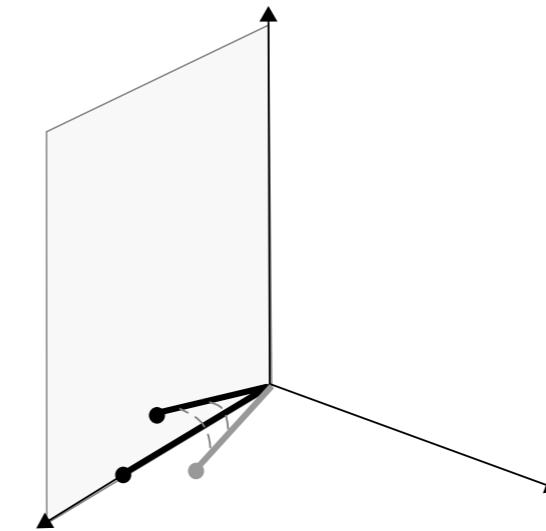
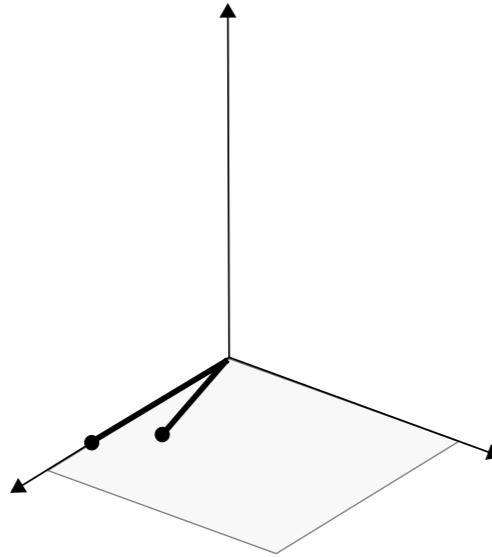
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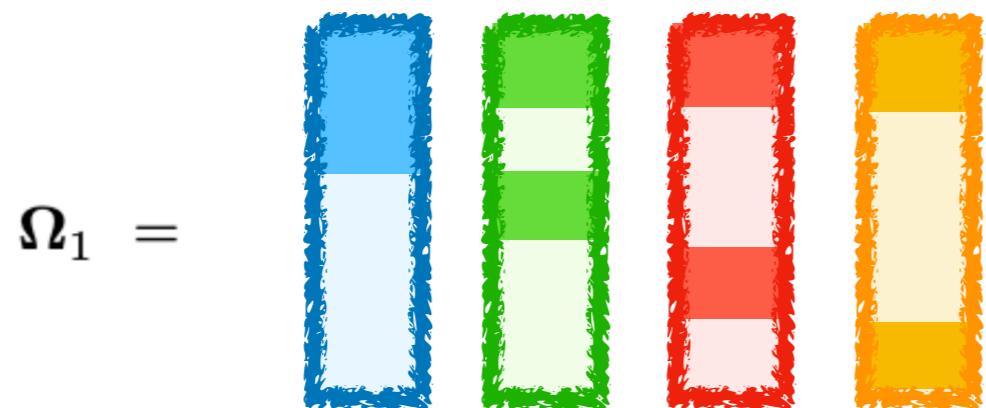


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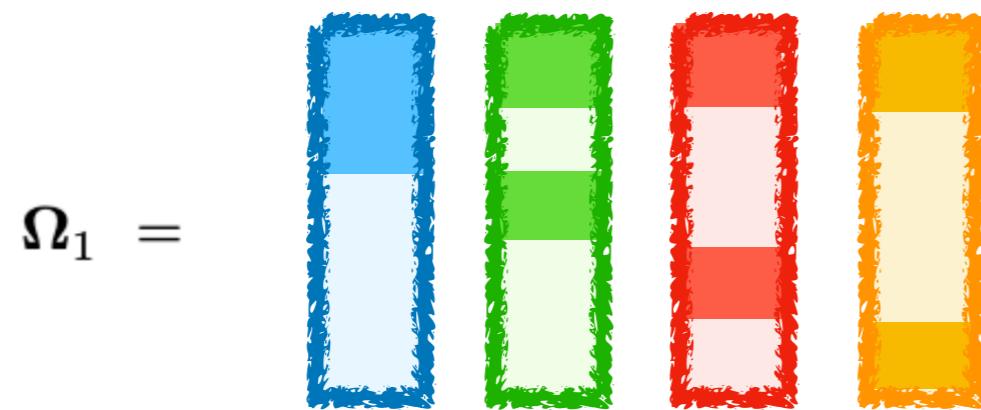
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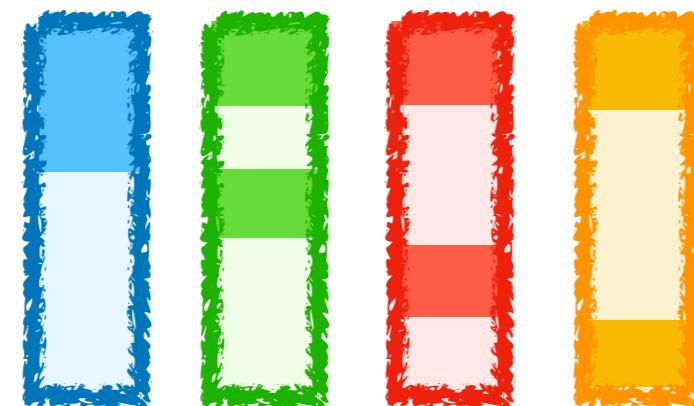


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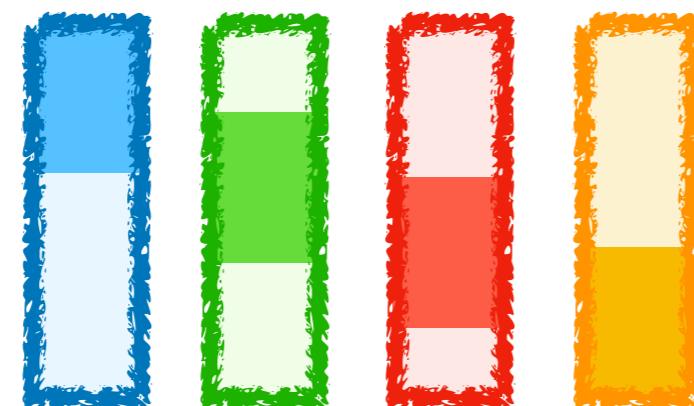
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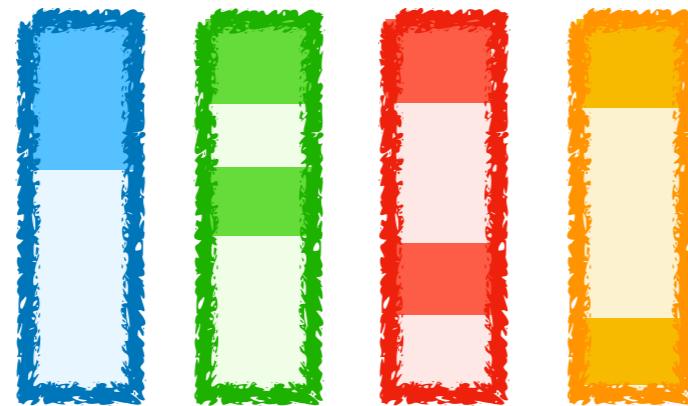
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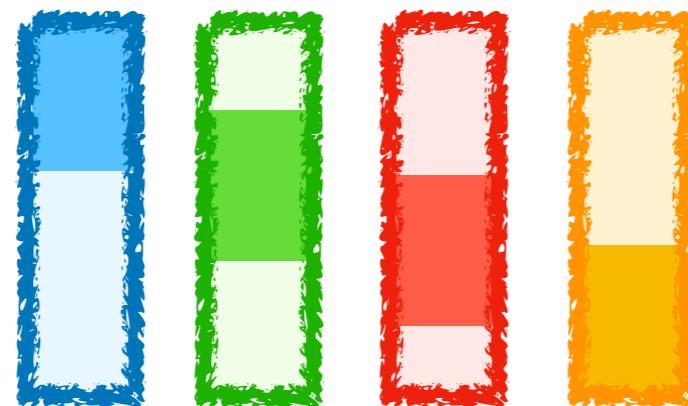
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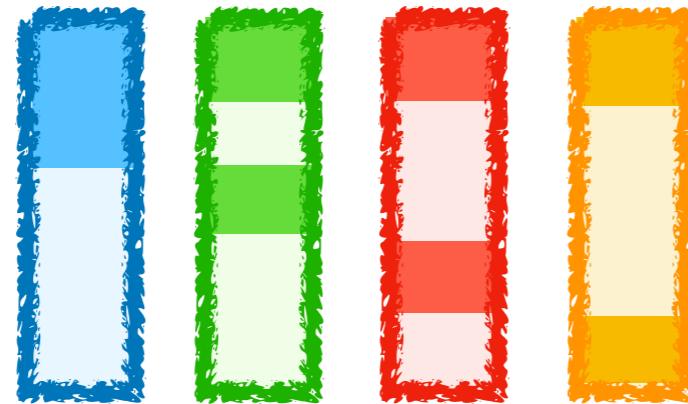


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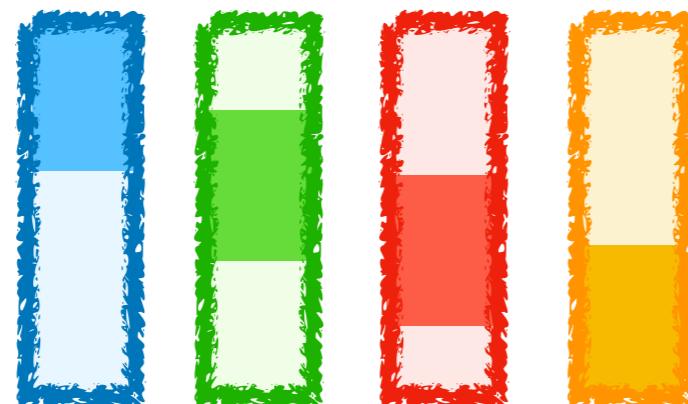
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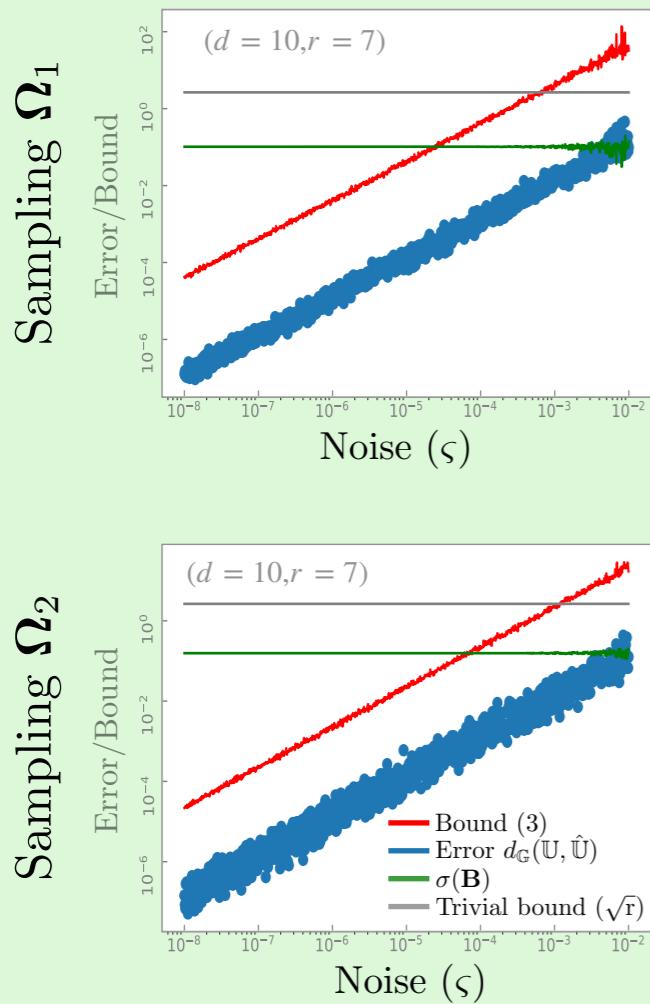
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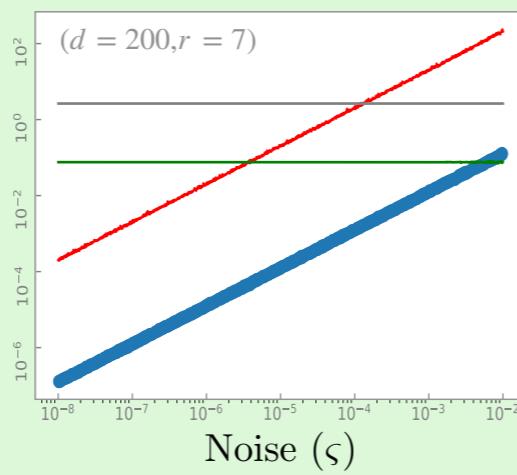


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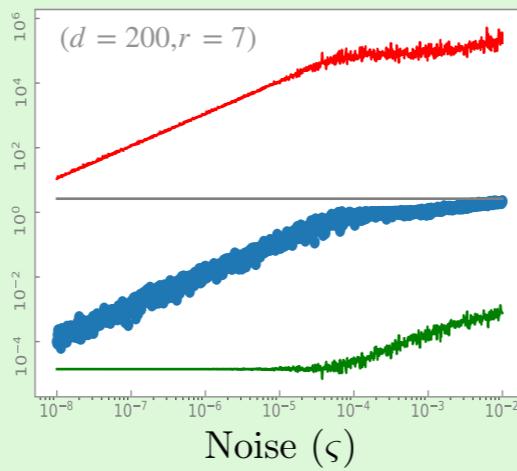
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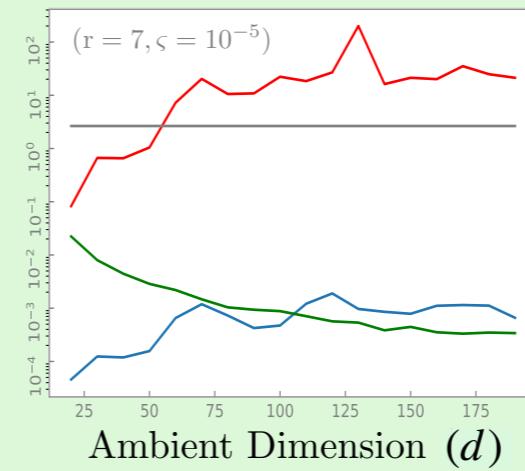
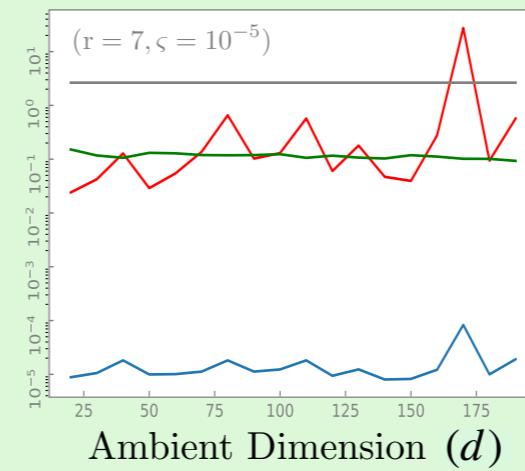
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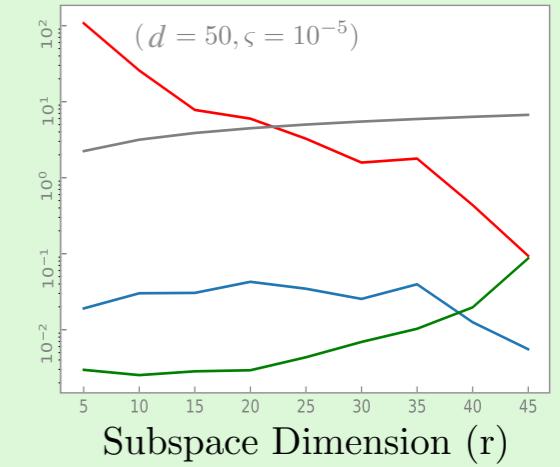
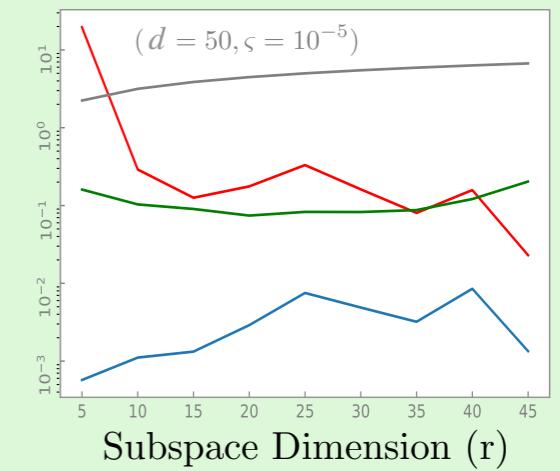
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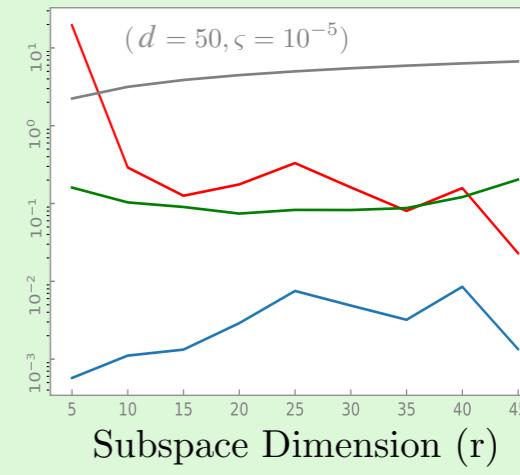
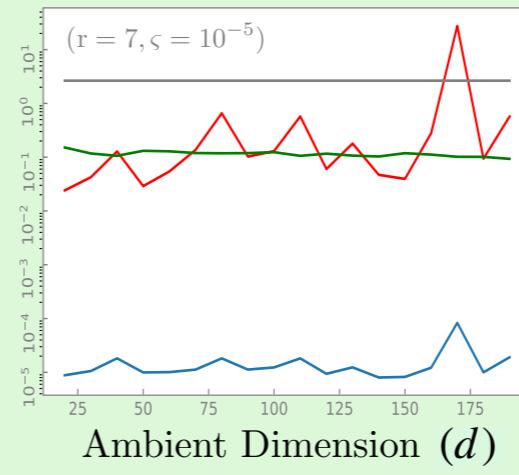
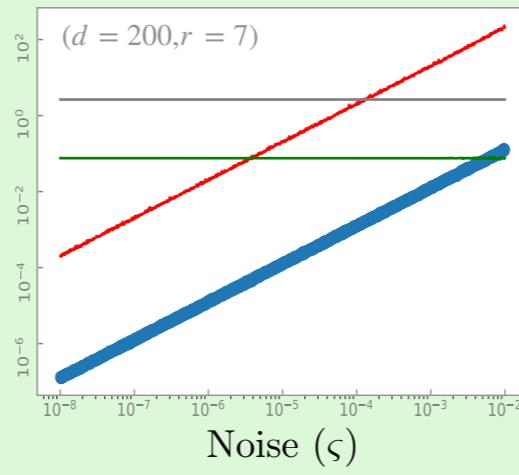
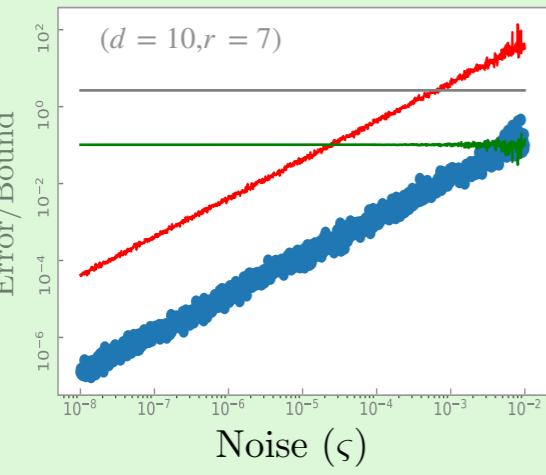
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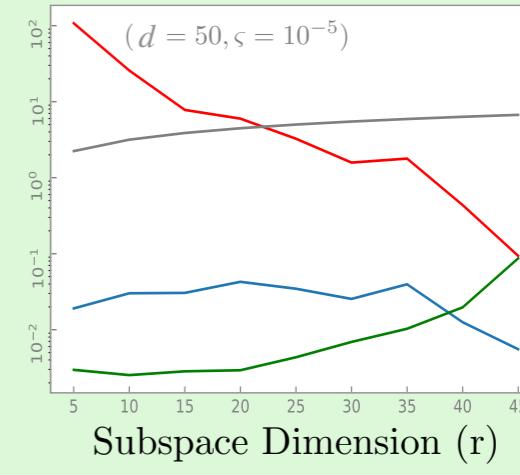
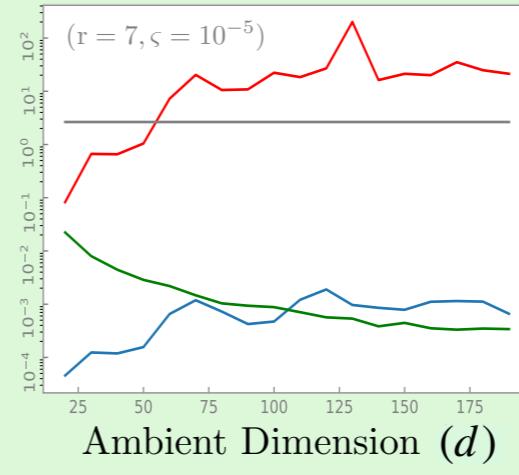
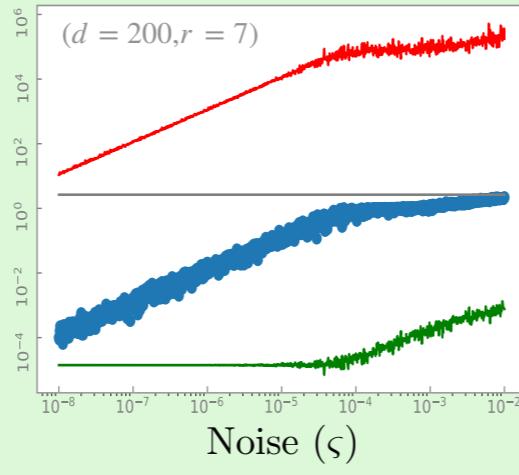
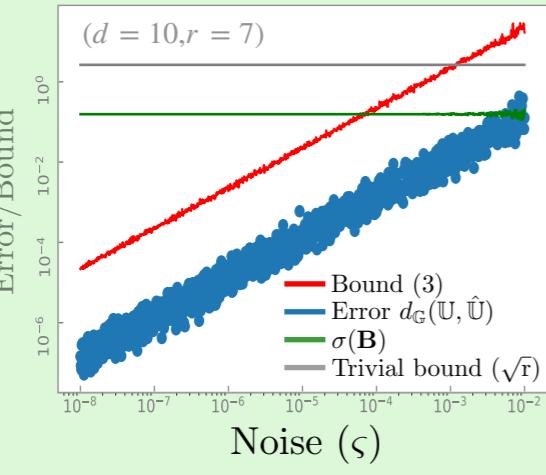


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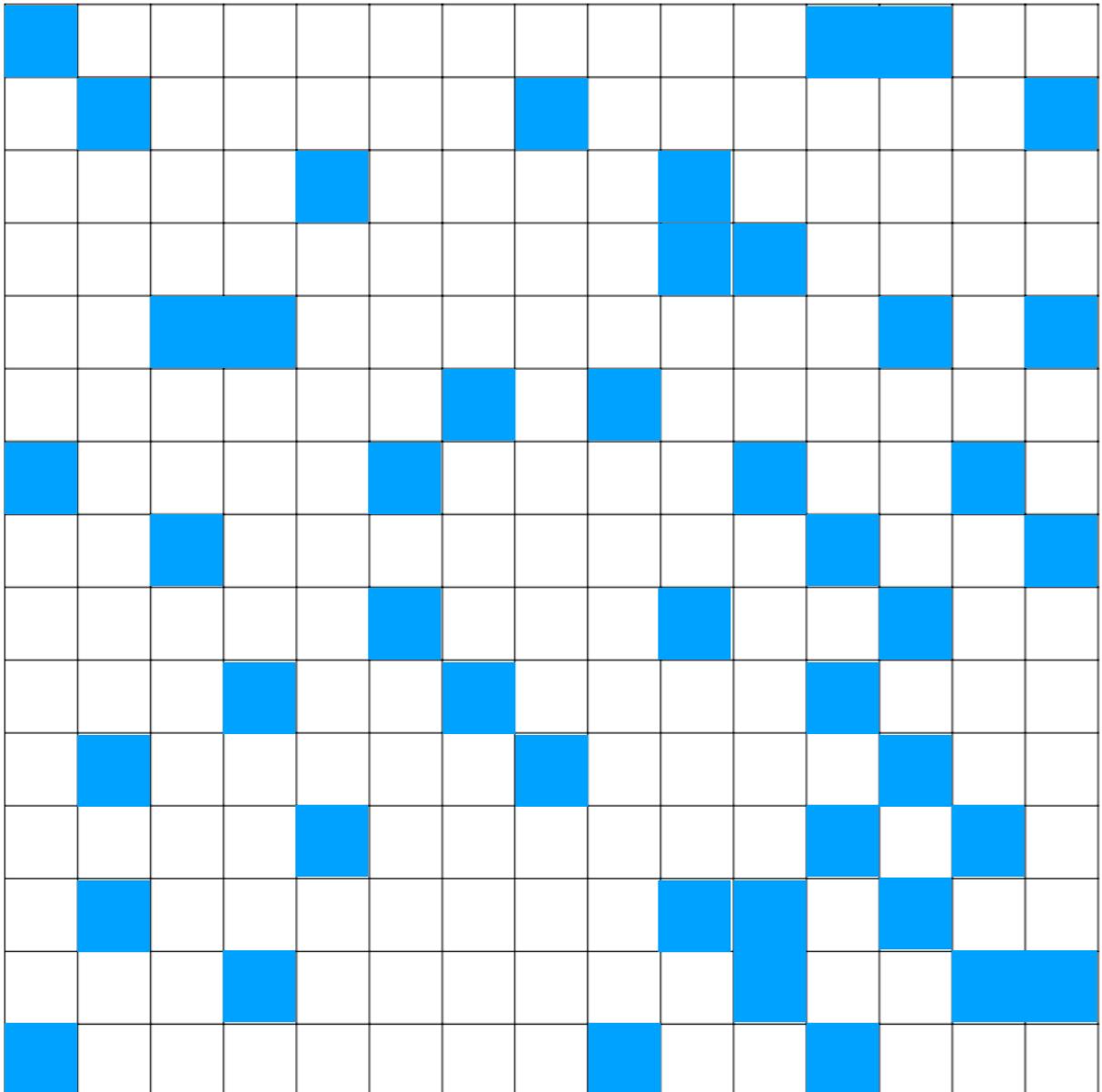
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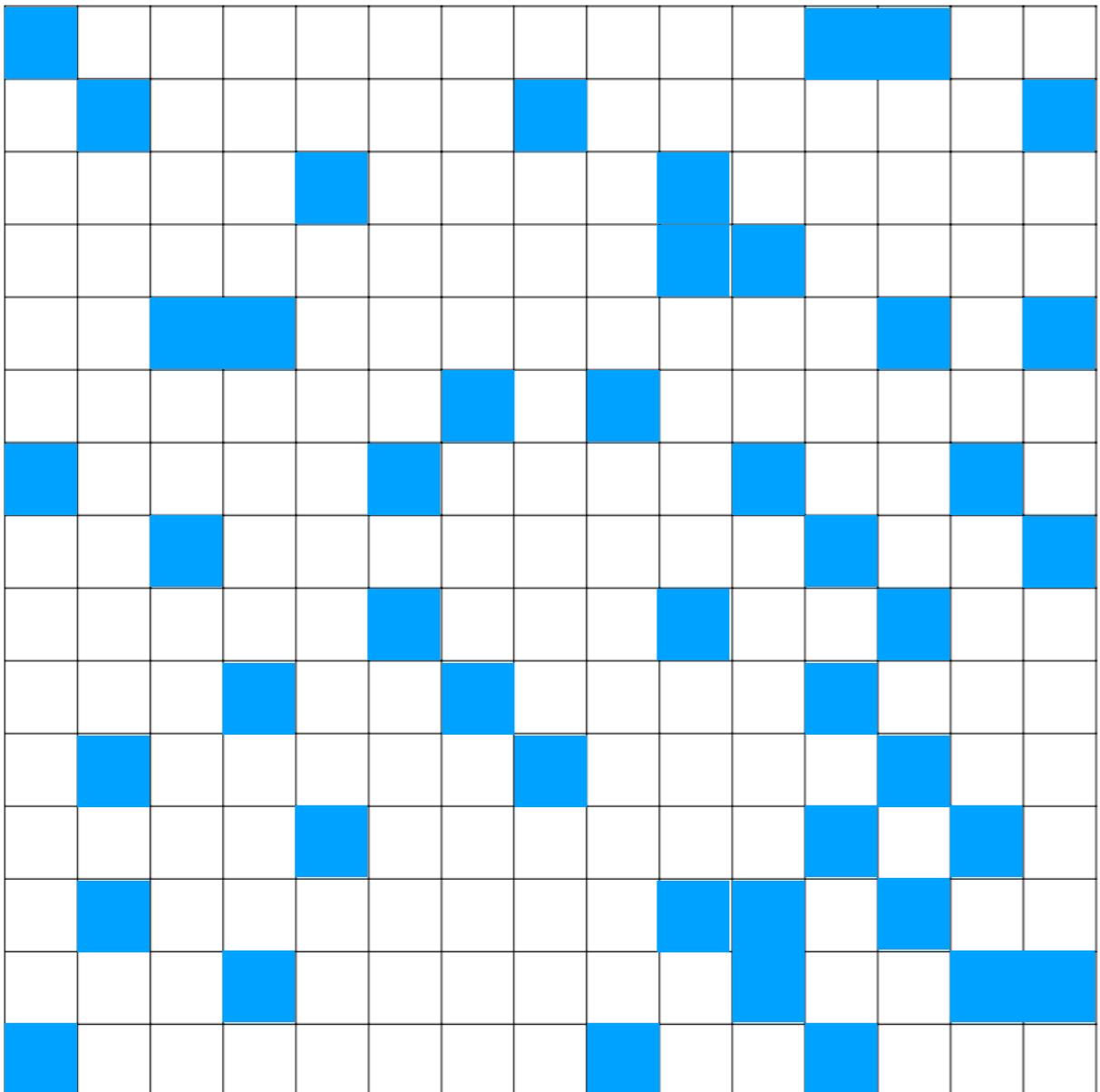
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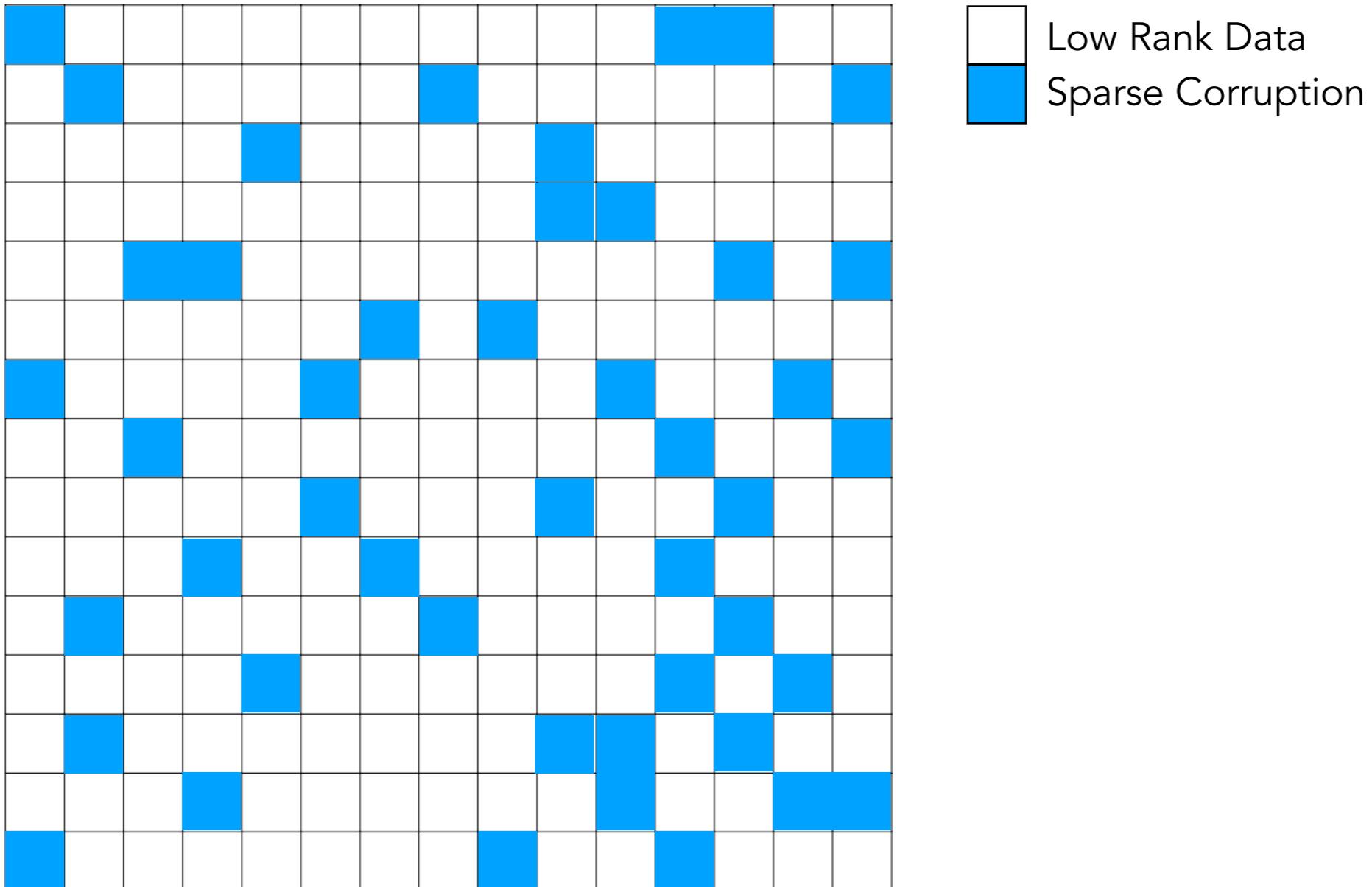


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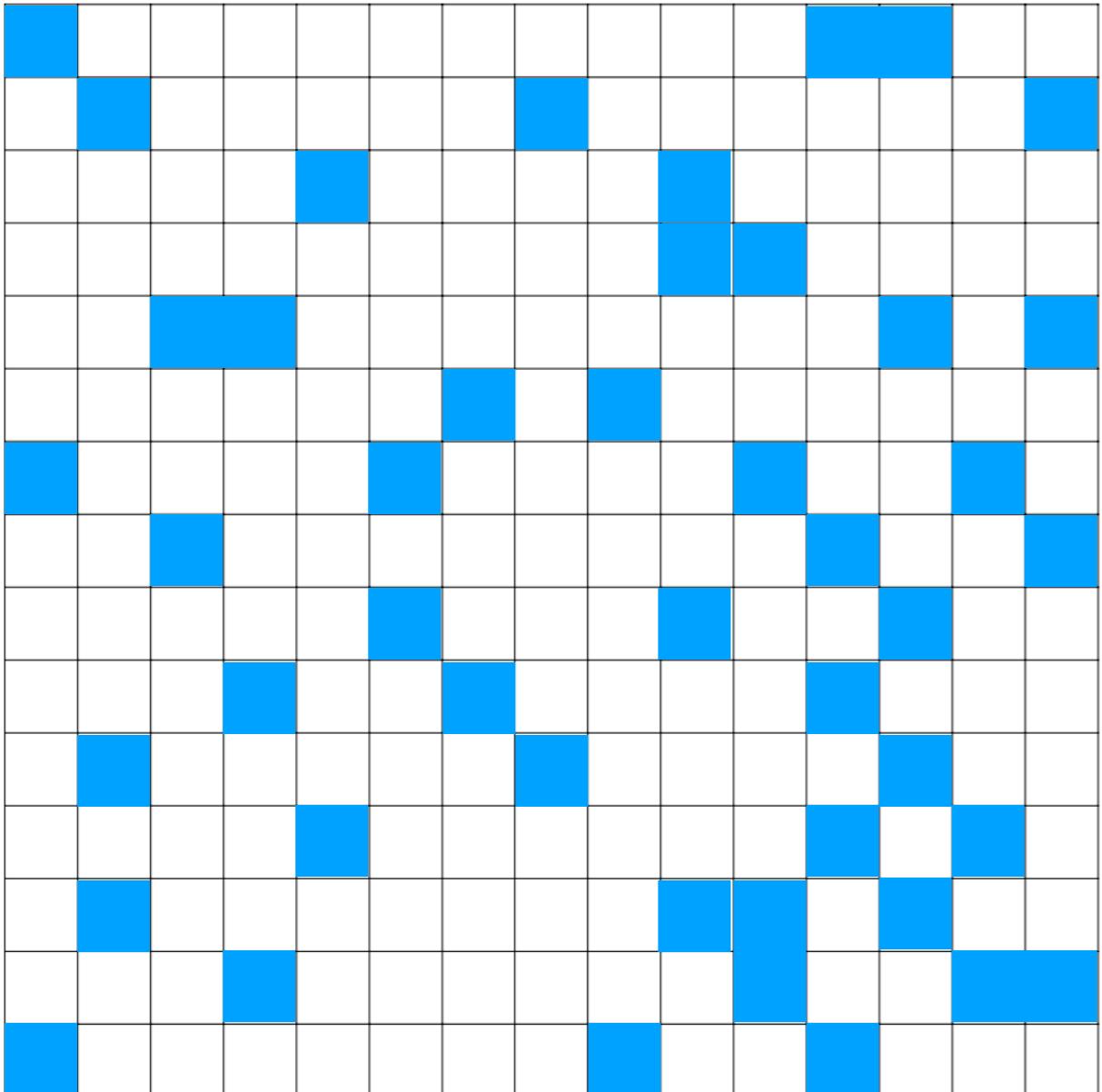
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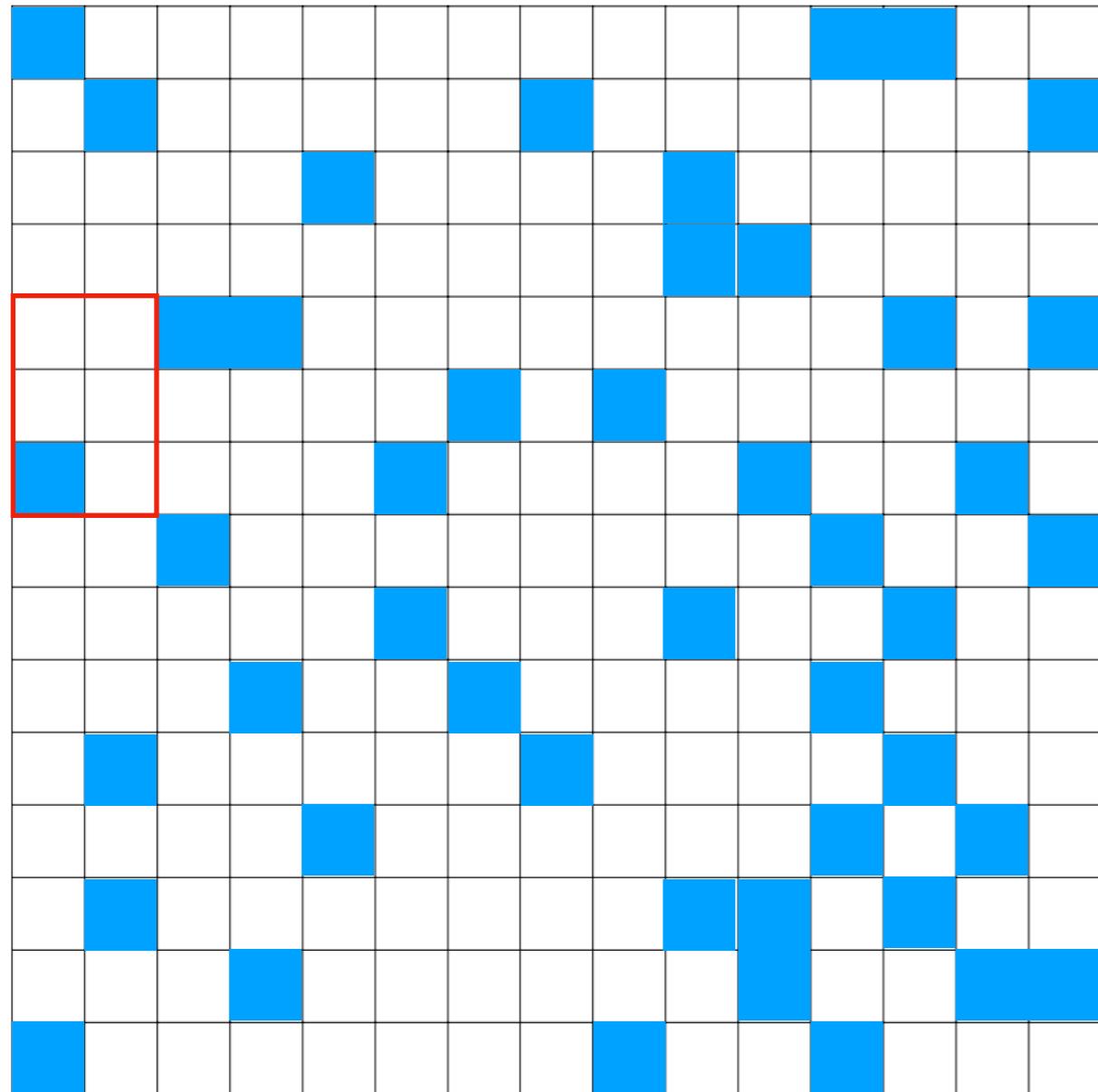


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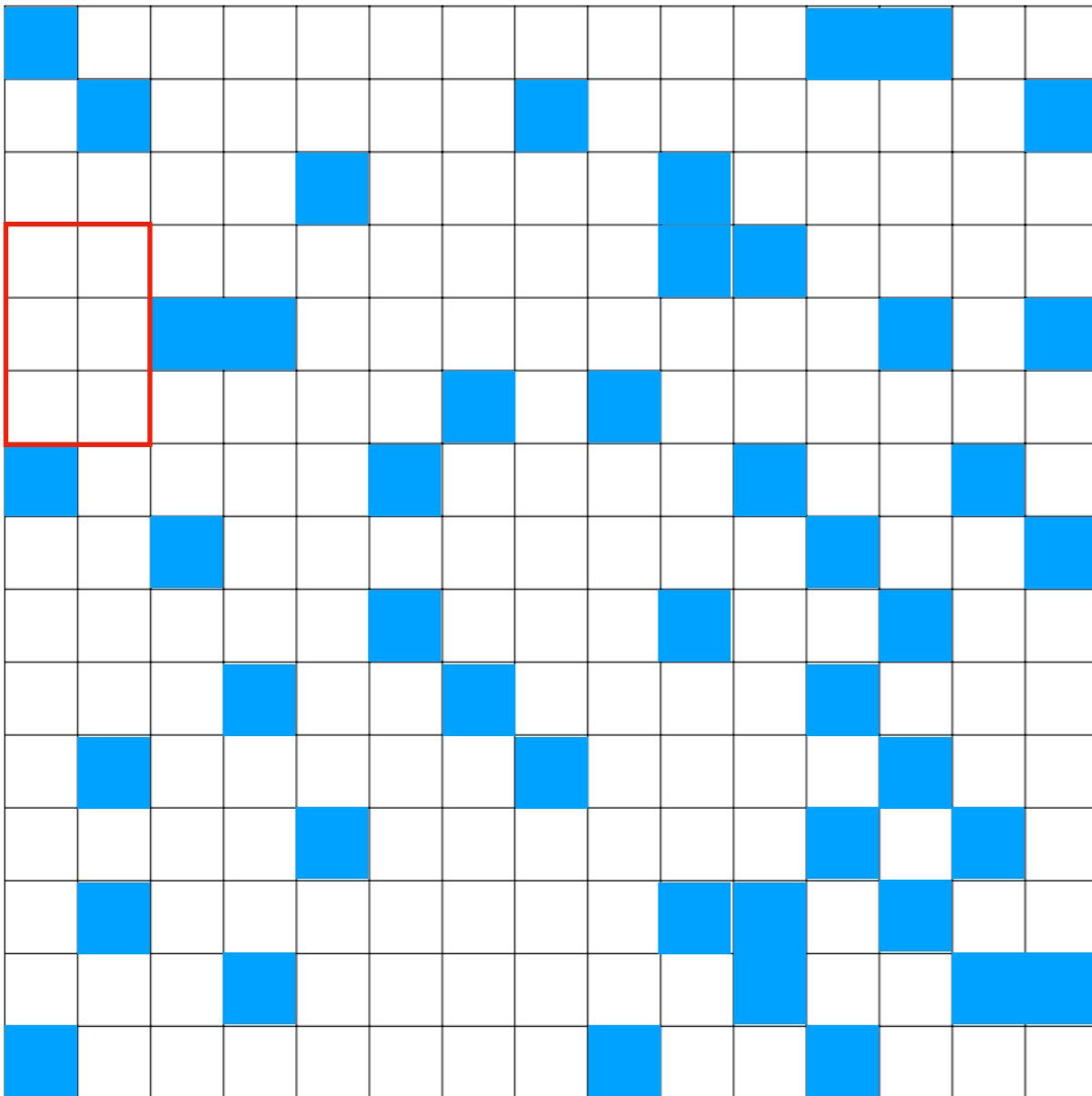
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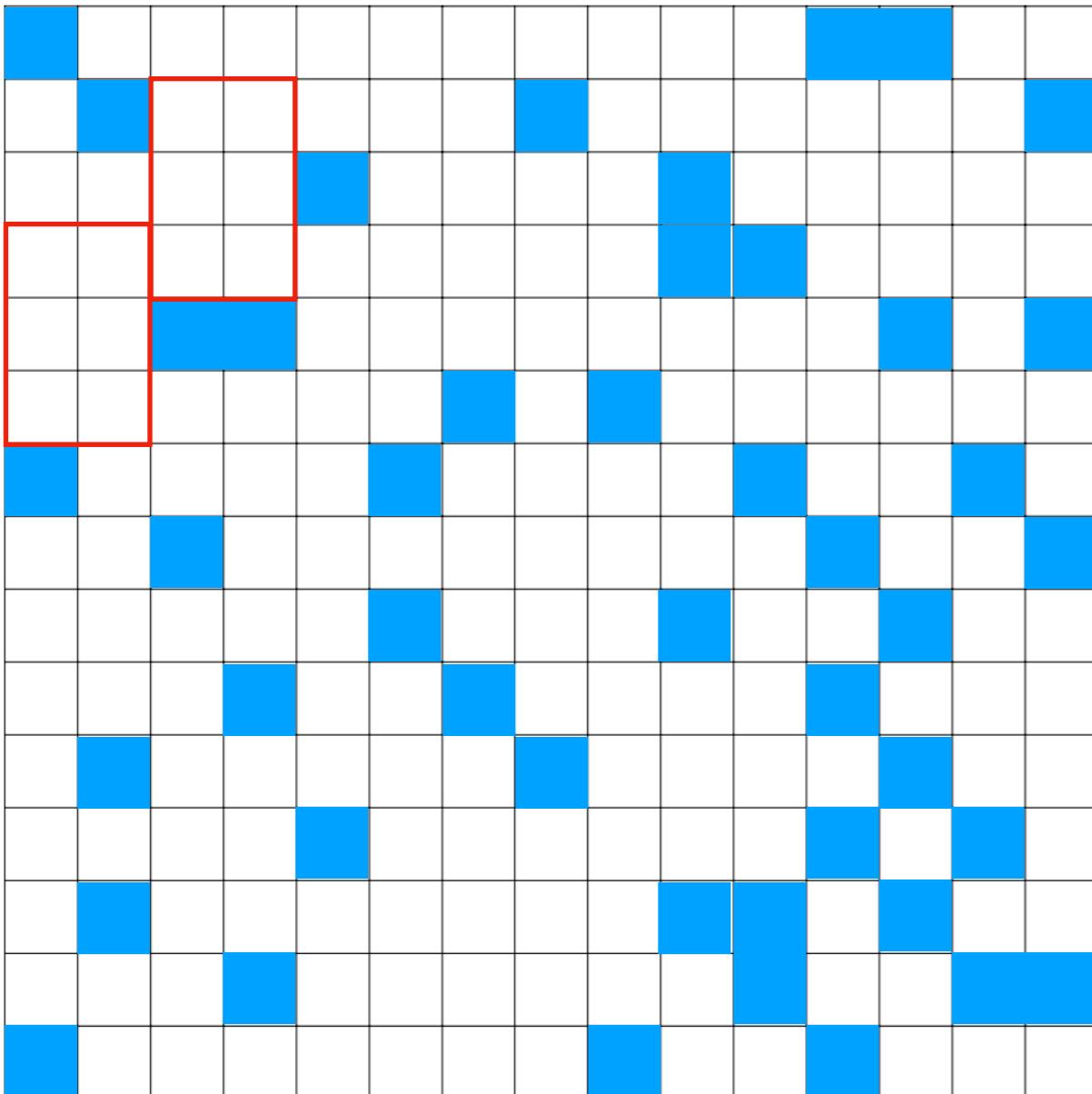
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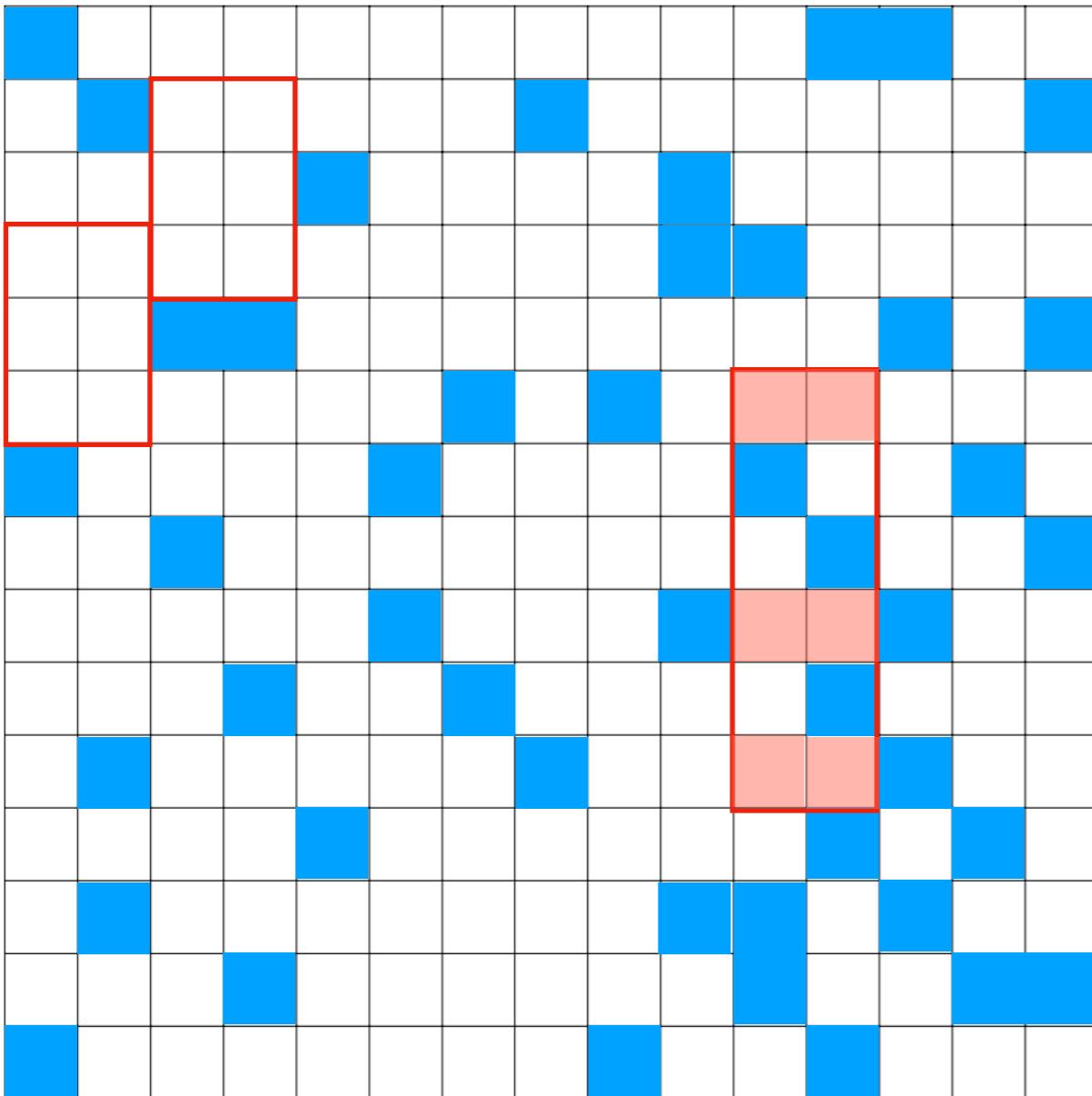
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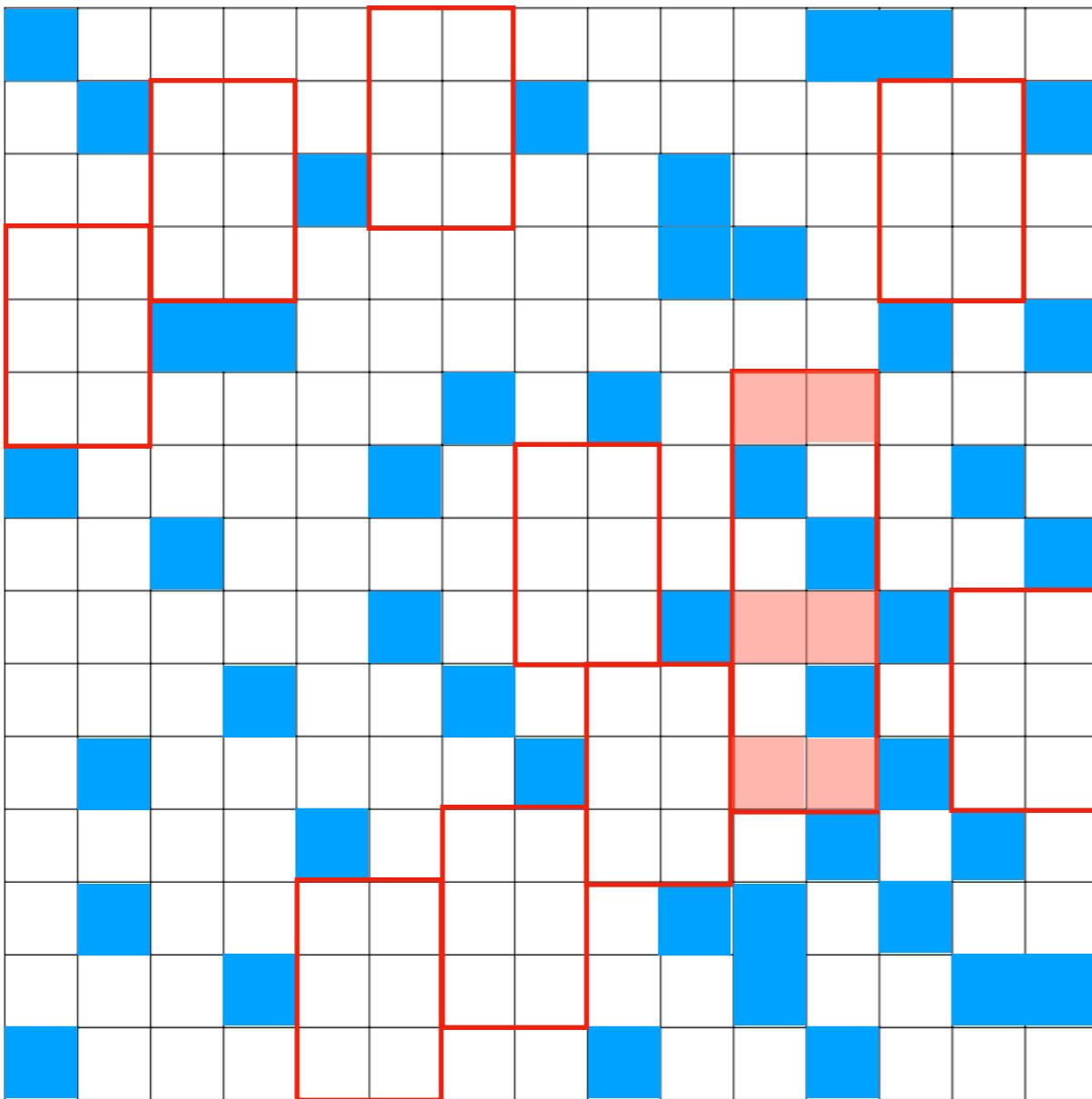
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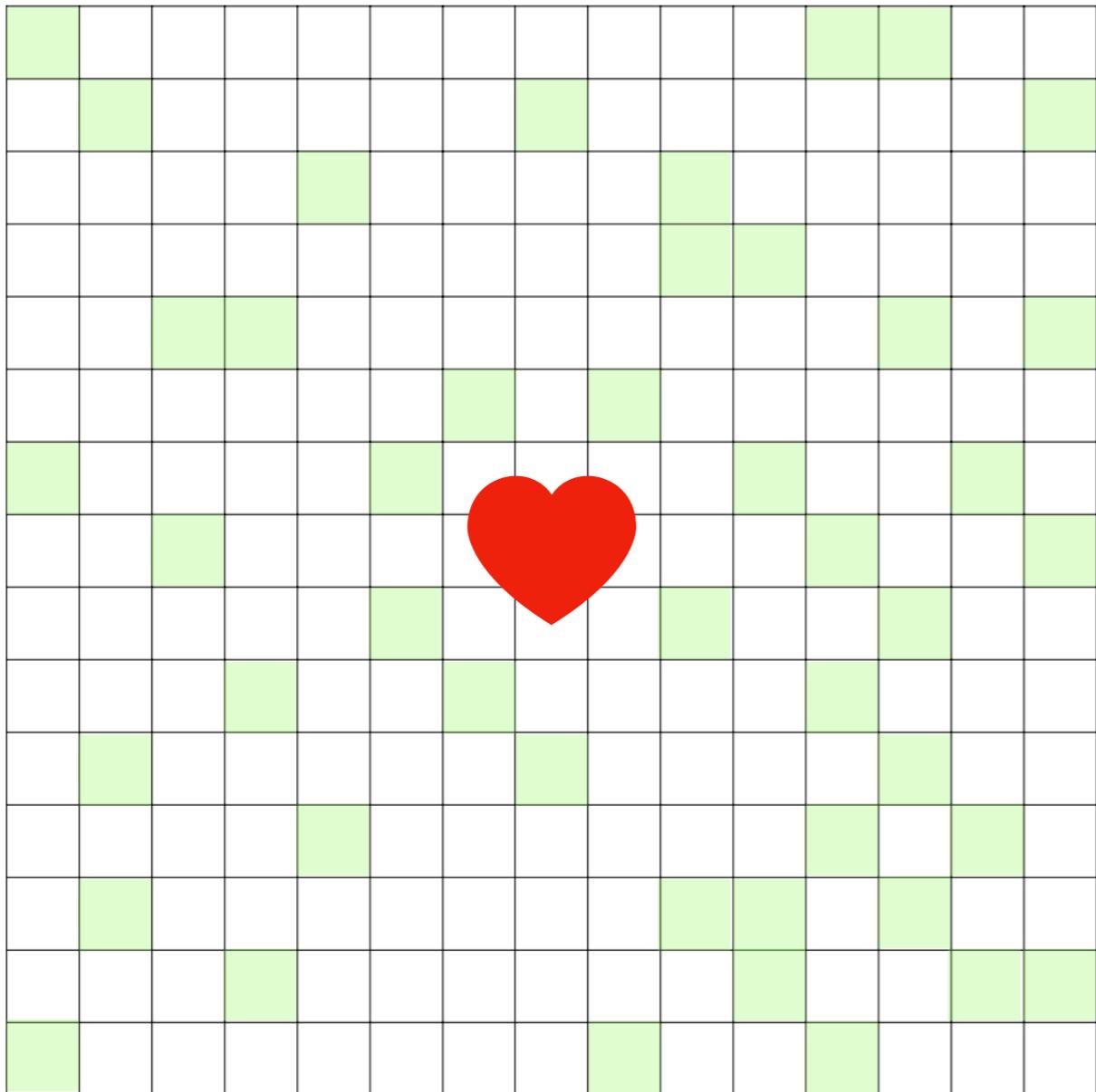
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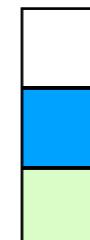
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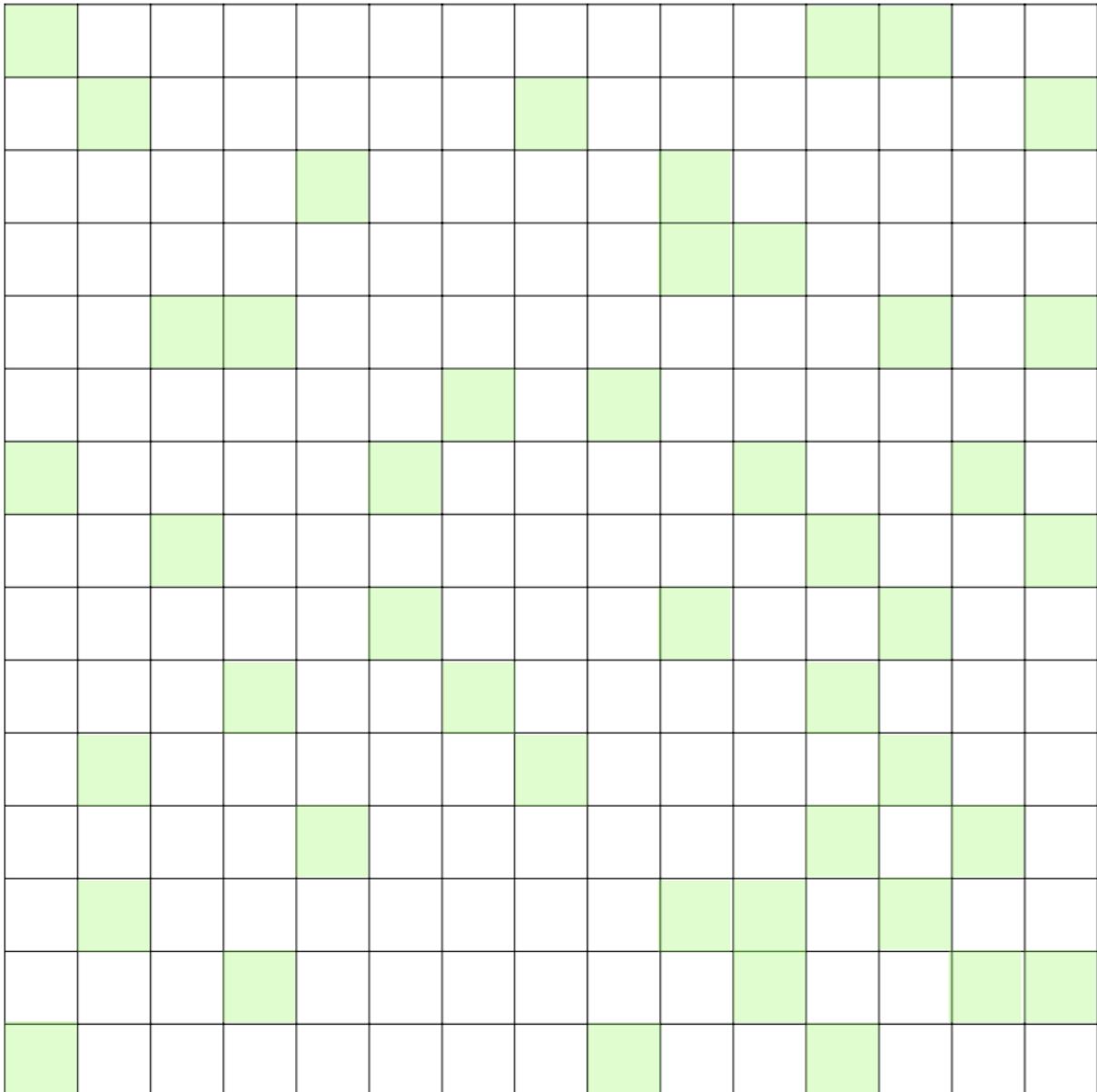


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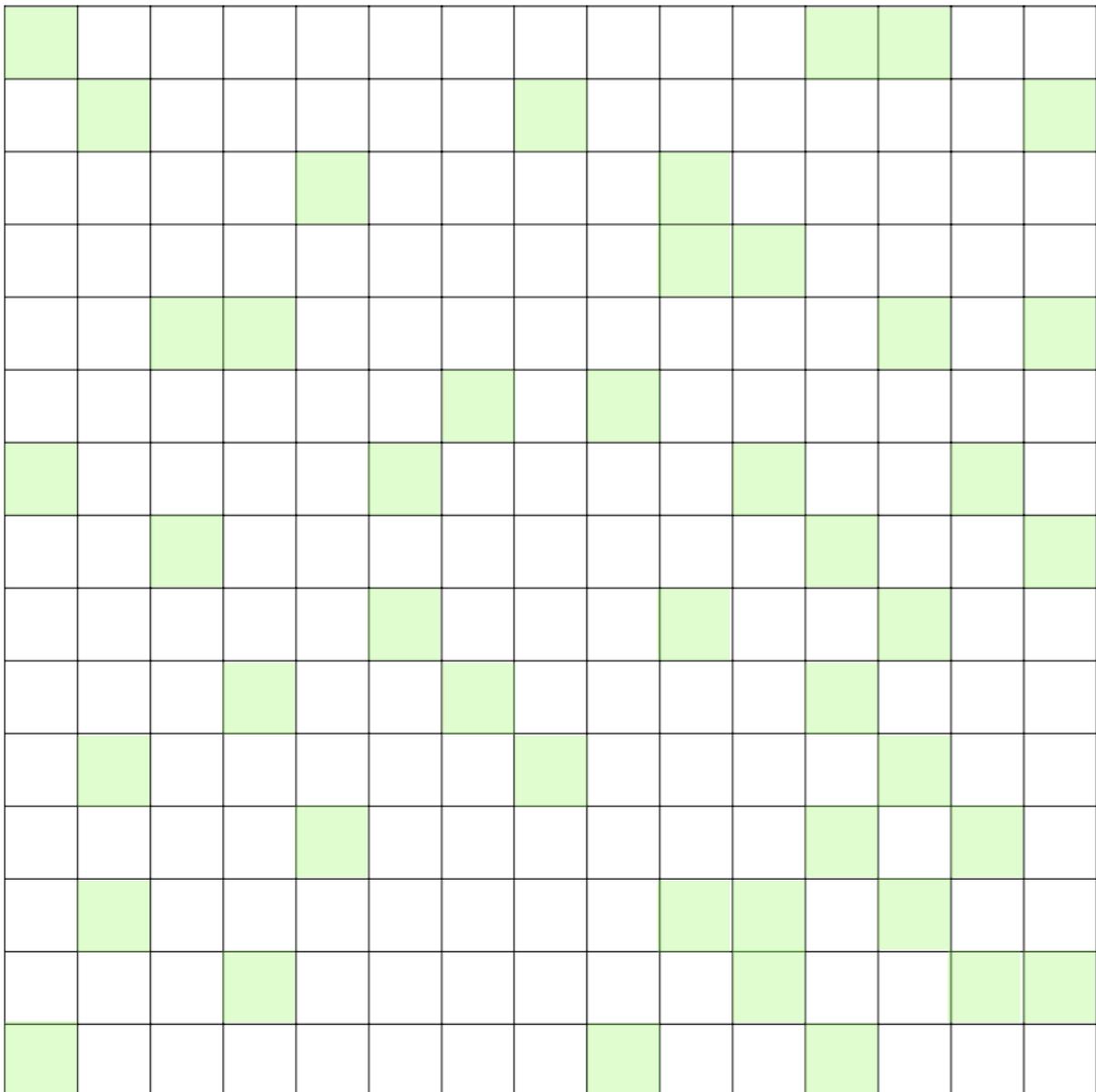
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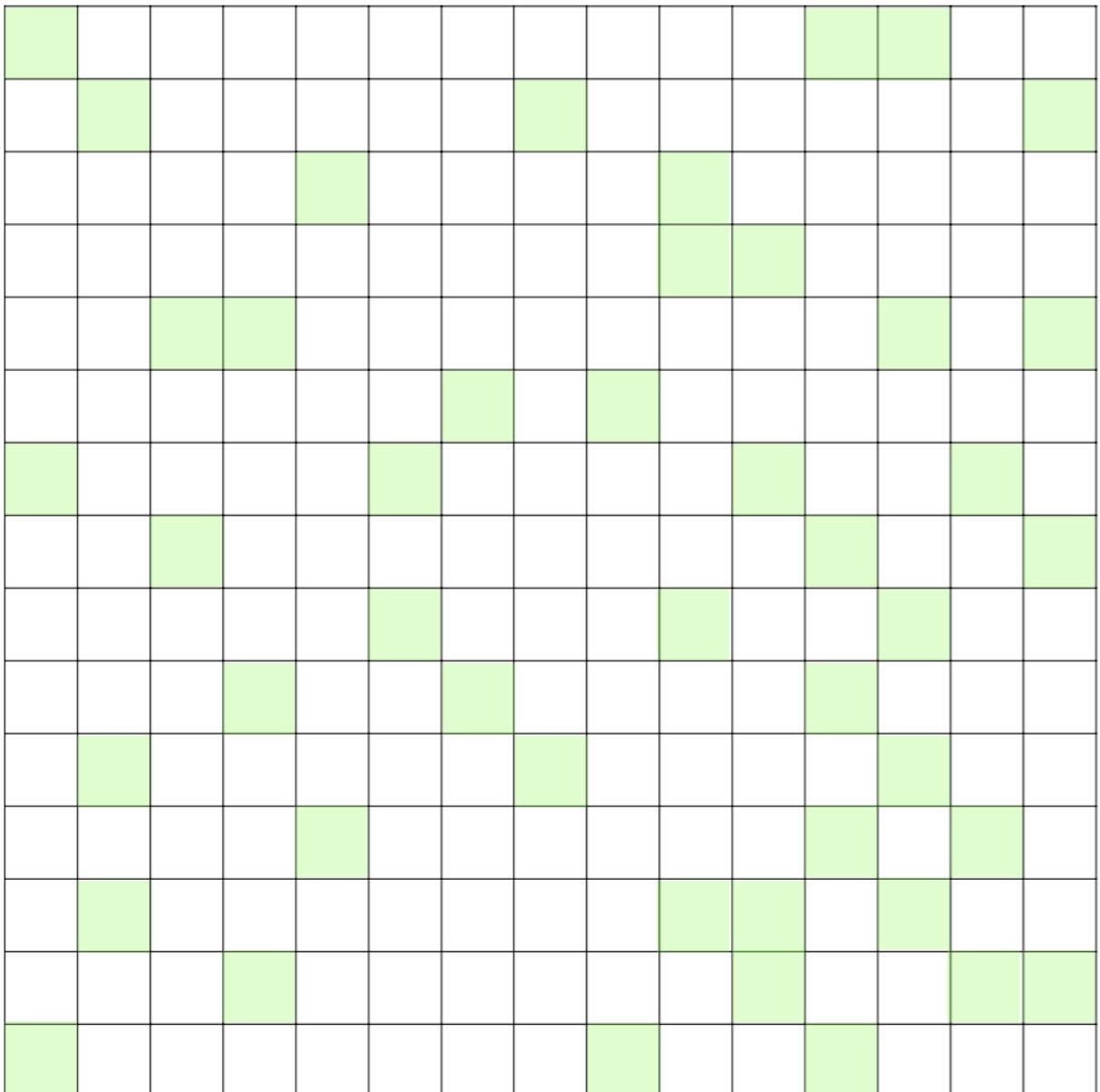
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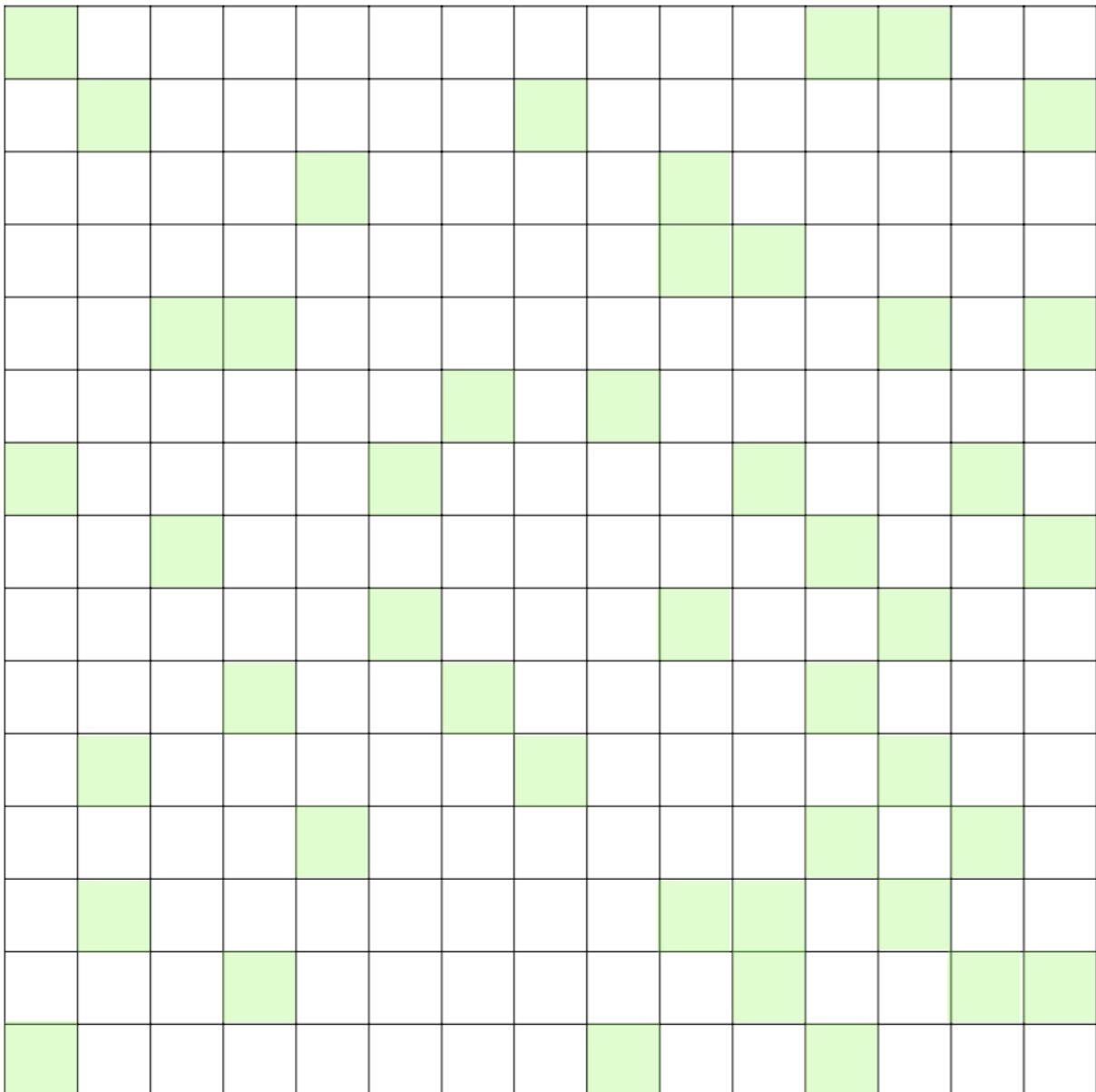
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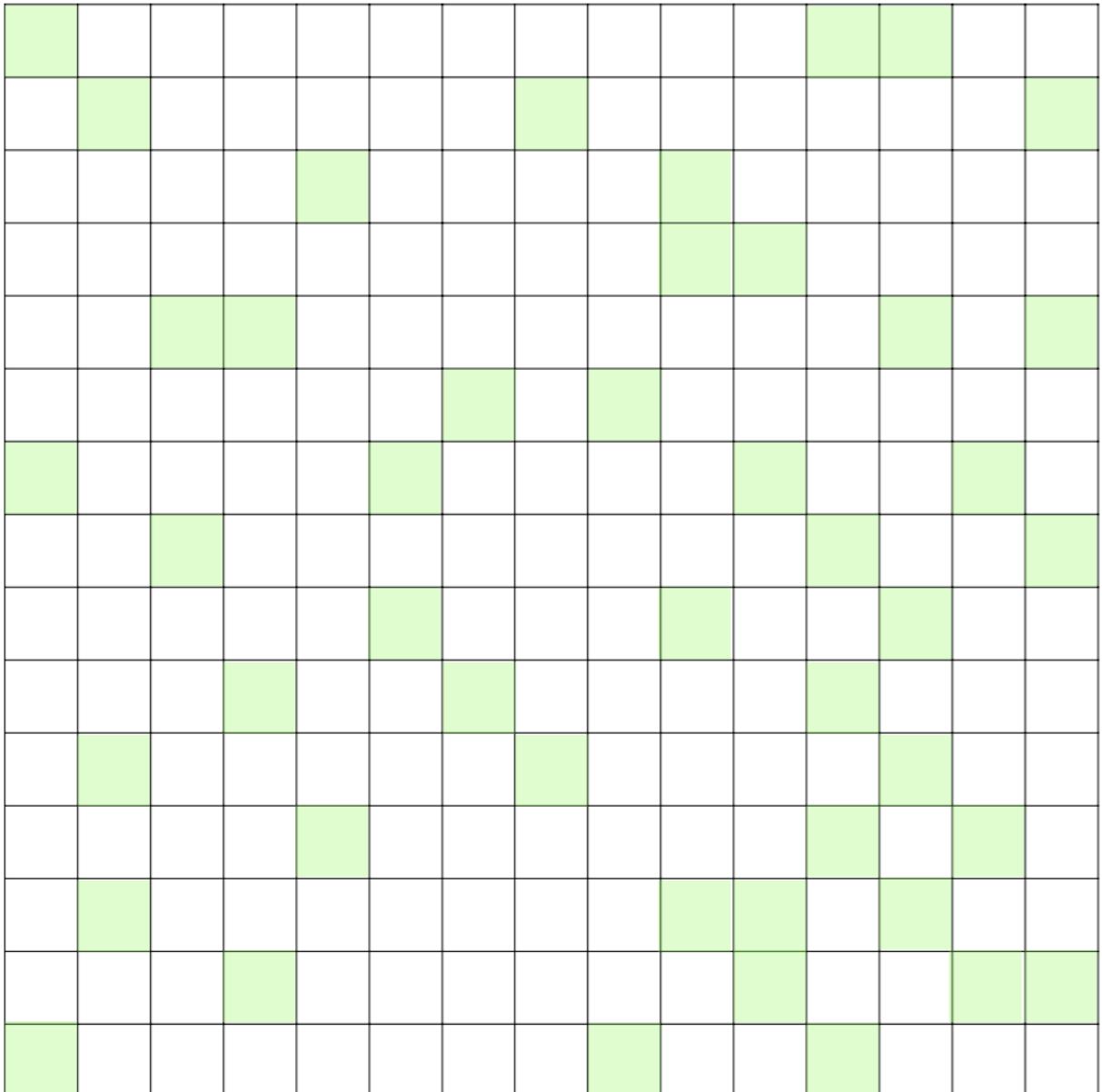
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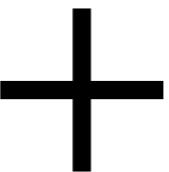
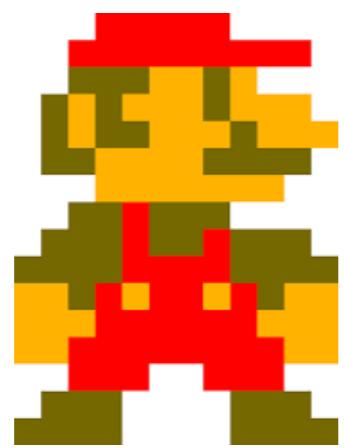
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Applications - Our Paper



Existing Subspace-
Reconstruction Based
LRMC Theory,
RPCA Algorithms, etc
(Noiseless)

Understanding of
Noisy Subspace
Reconstruction
(Noisy Bound)

Generalization of
existing results to
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(Or at least a step in this direction)

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All code for experiments can be found at [github.io/ksrivastava1](https://github.com/ksrivastava1)