

Matrix Inversion & ~~LU Factorization~~

Geometric Algorithms
Lecture 11

Objectives

- » Demonstrate how to **invert** a matrix
- » Motivate **matrix factorization** in general, and the LU factorization in specific
- » Recall elementary row operations and connect them to matrices
- » Look at the **LU factorization**, how to find it, and how to use it

Keywords

Matrix Inverse

Invertible Transformation

1-1 Correspondence

`numpy.linalg.inv`

Determinant

Invertible Matrix Theorem

elementary matrices

LU factorization

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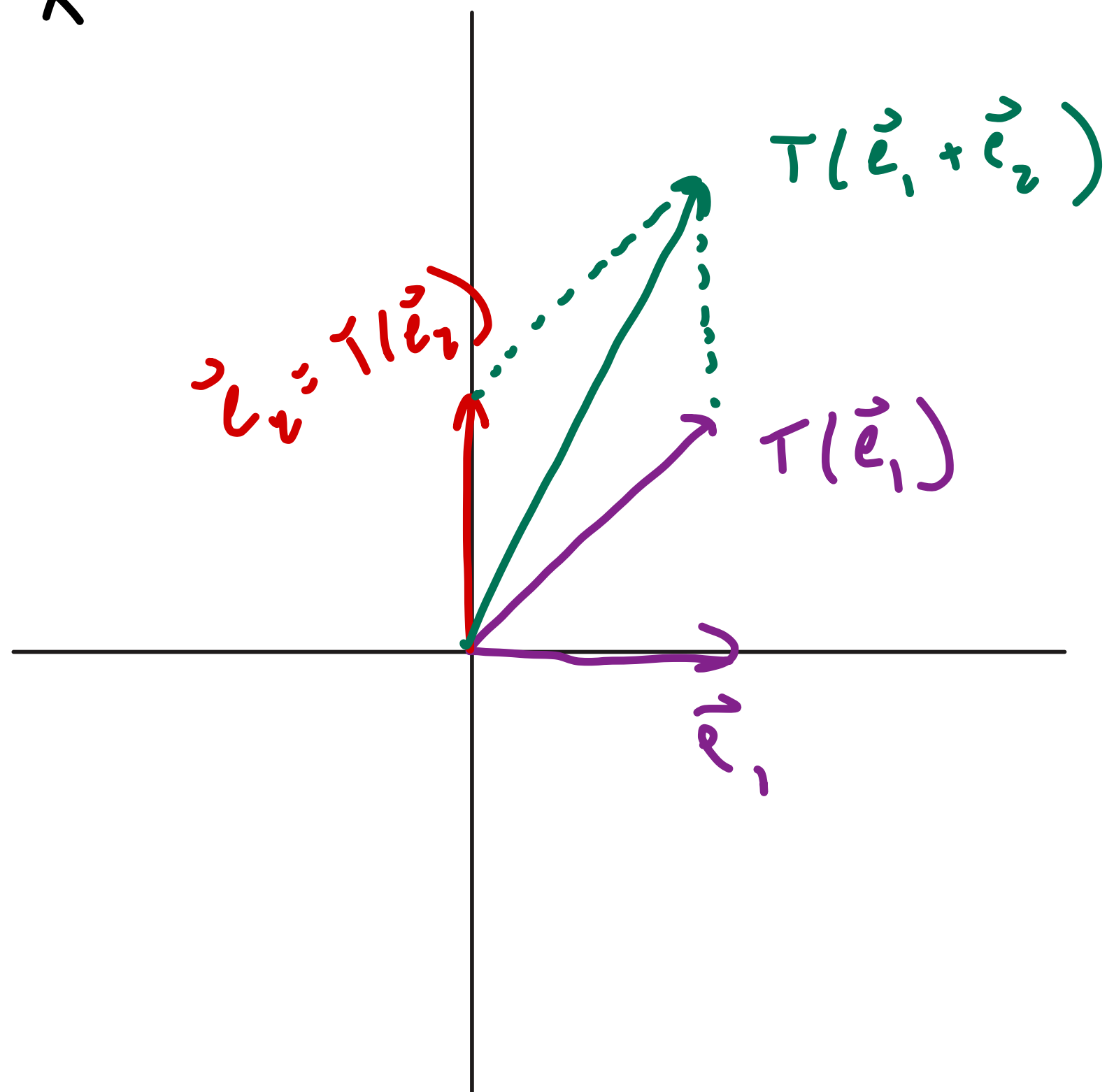
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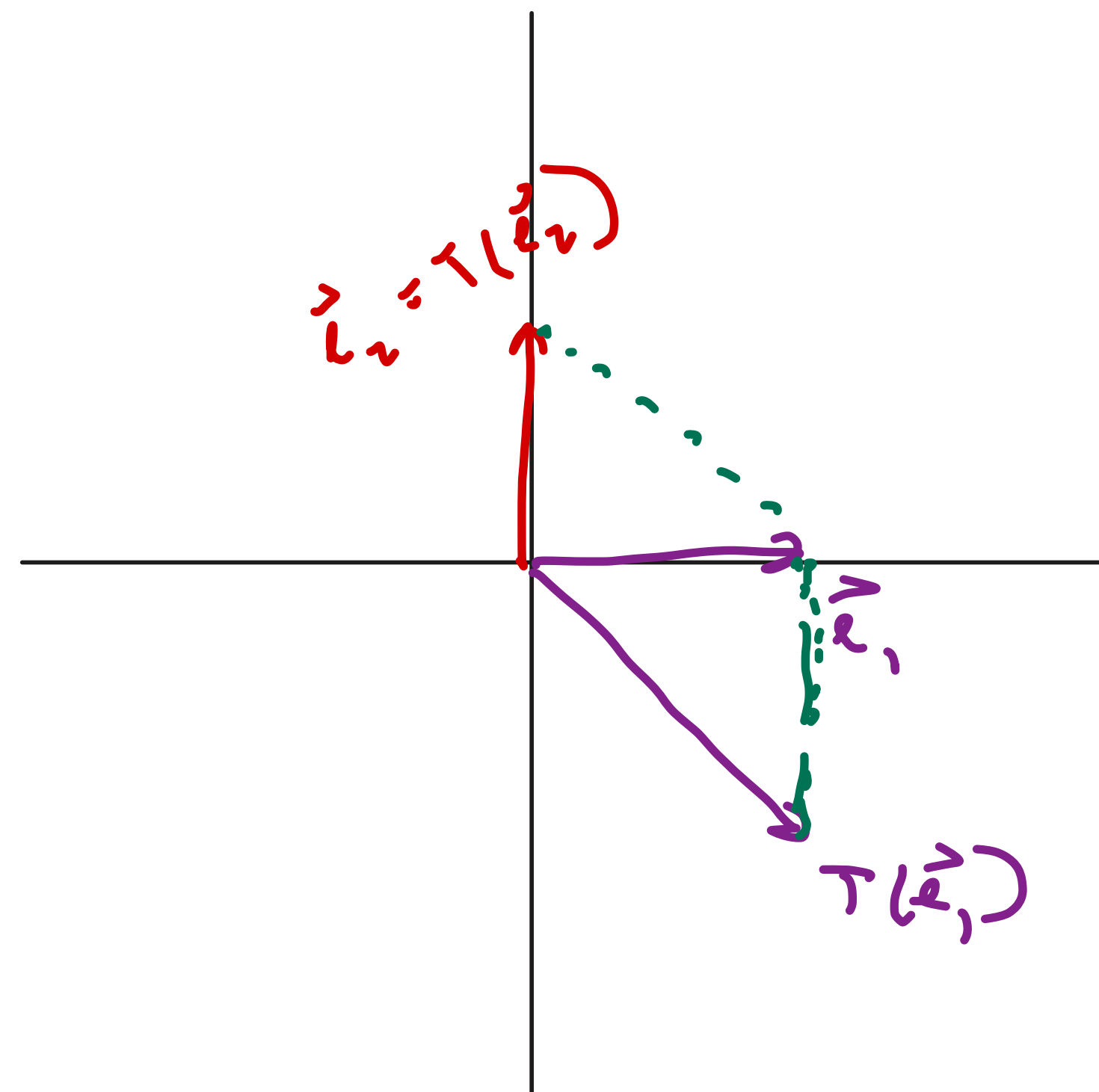
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$$T_1 \vec{x} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$



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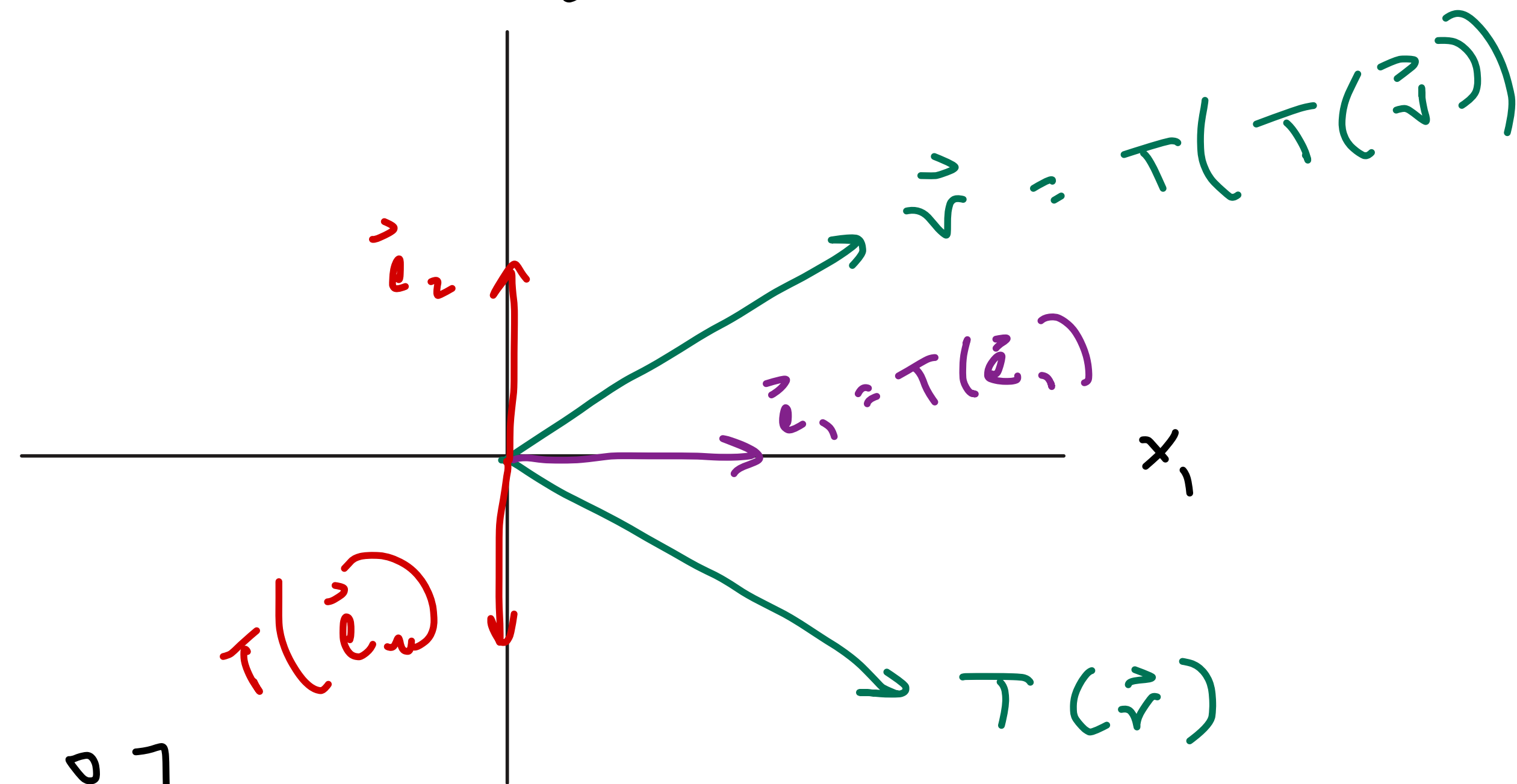
Example: Geometric

Reflection across the x_1 -axis in \mathbb{R}^2 is its own inverse.

Verify:

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Example: No inverse

Verify:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} \vec{b}_1 & \vec{b}_2 & \vec{b}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\vec{b}_1 & A\vec{b}_2 & A\vec{b}_3 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} \vec{e}_1 & \vec{e}_2 & \vec{e}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow u_3 = 0 \quad \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1 & \vec{v}_2 & \vec{v}_3 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverses are Unique

Theorem. If B and C are inverses of A , then $B = C$.

Verify: $BA = AB = I$ $AC = CA = I$

$$B = BI = B(AC) = (BA)C = IC = C$$

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If A is invertible, then we write A^{-1}
for *the* inverse of A .

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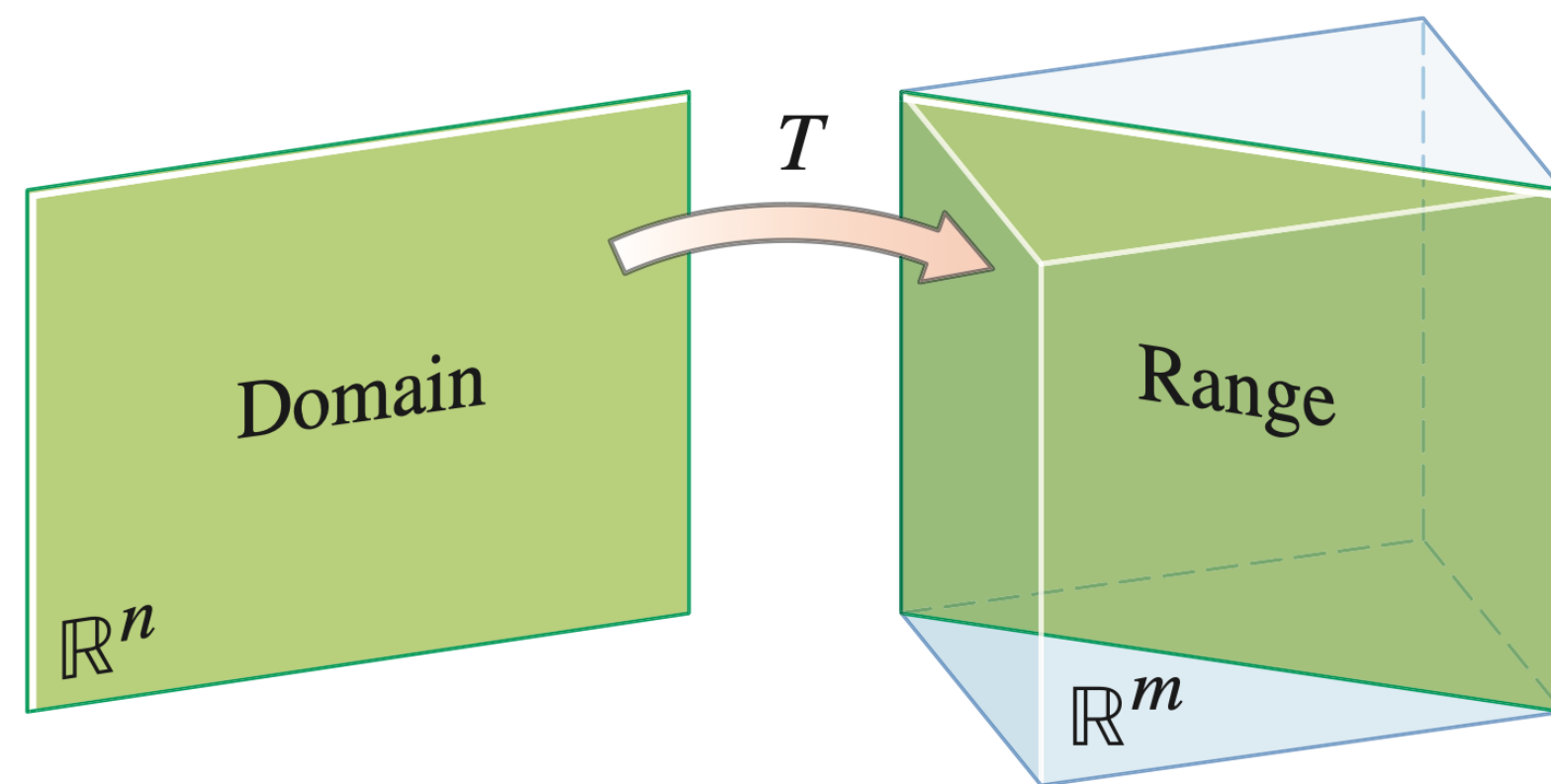
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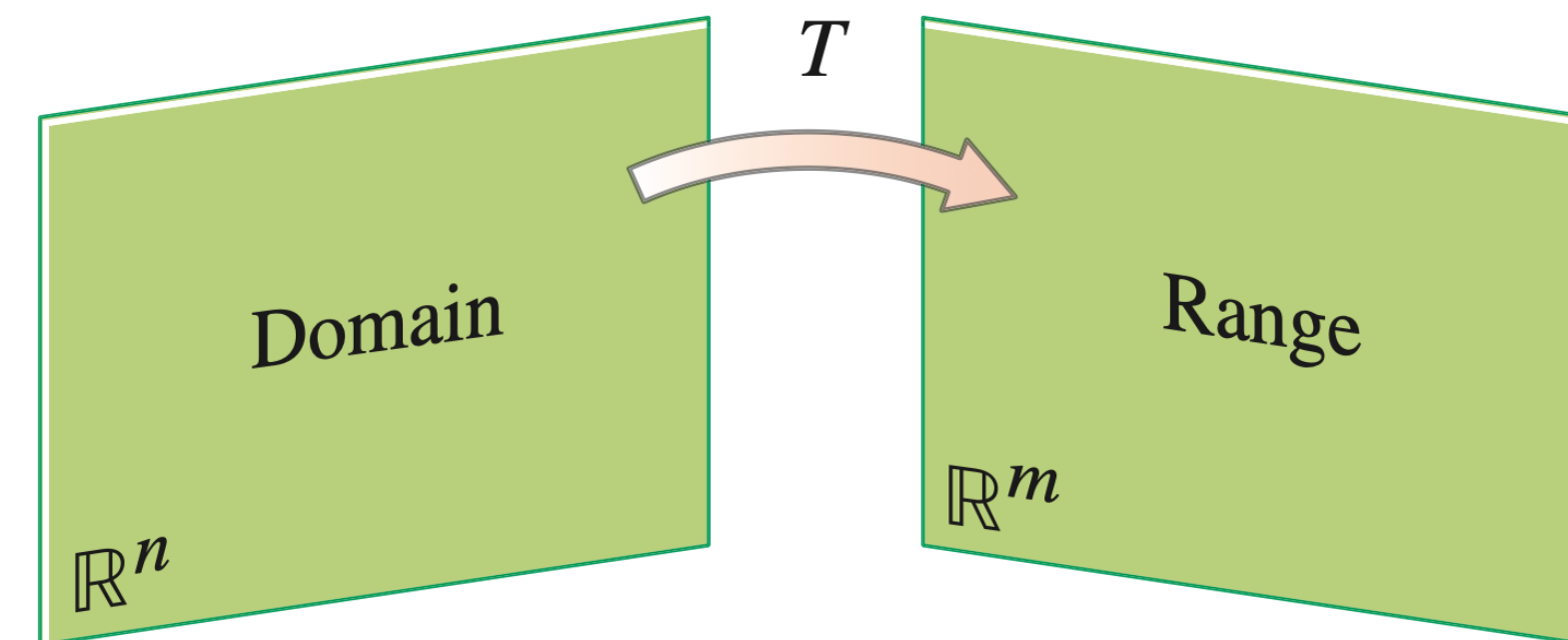
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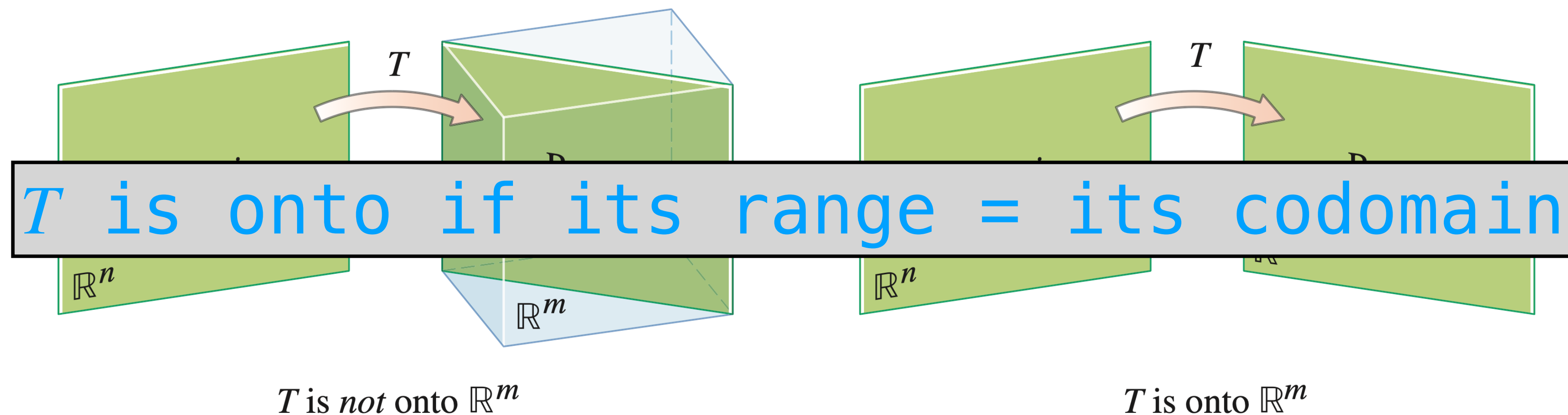
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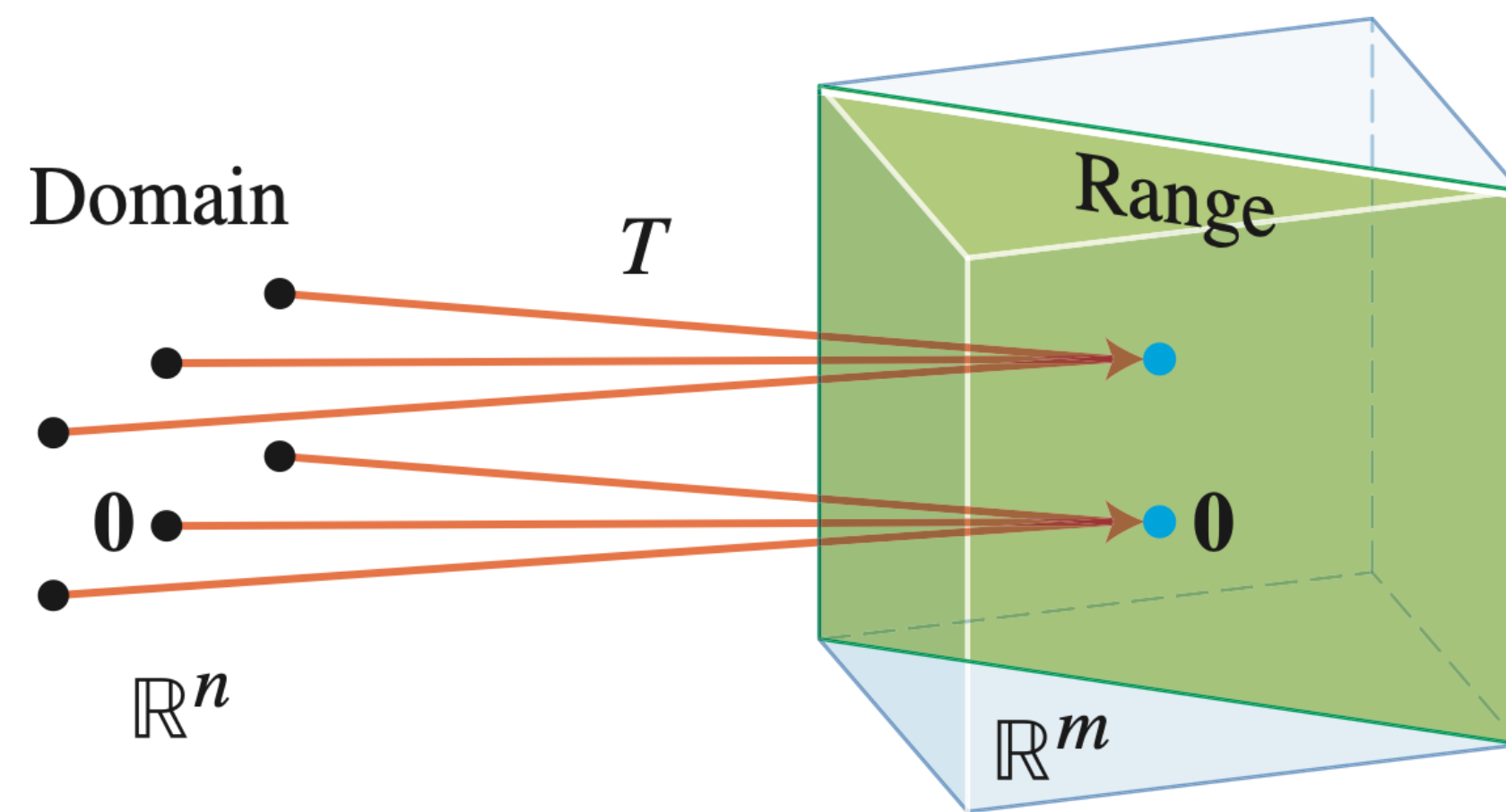
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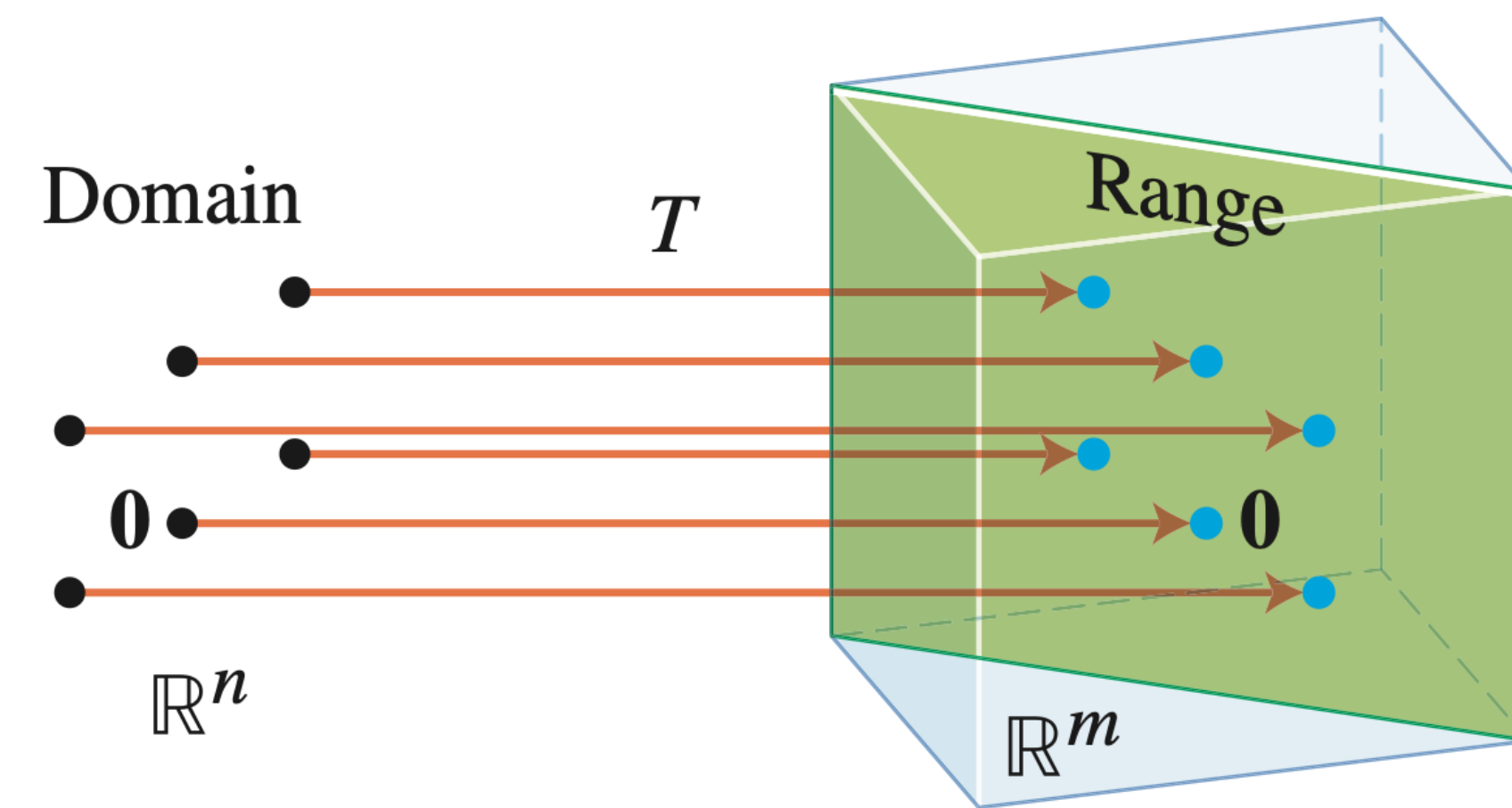
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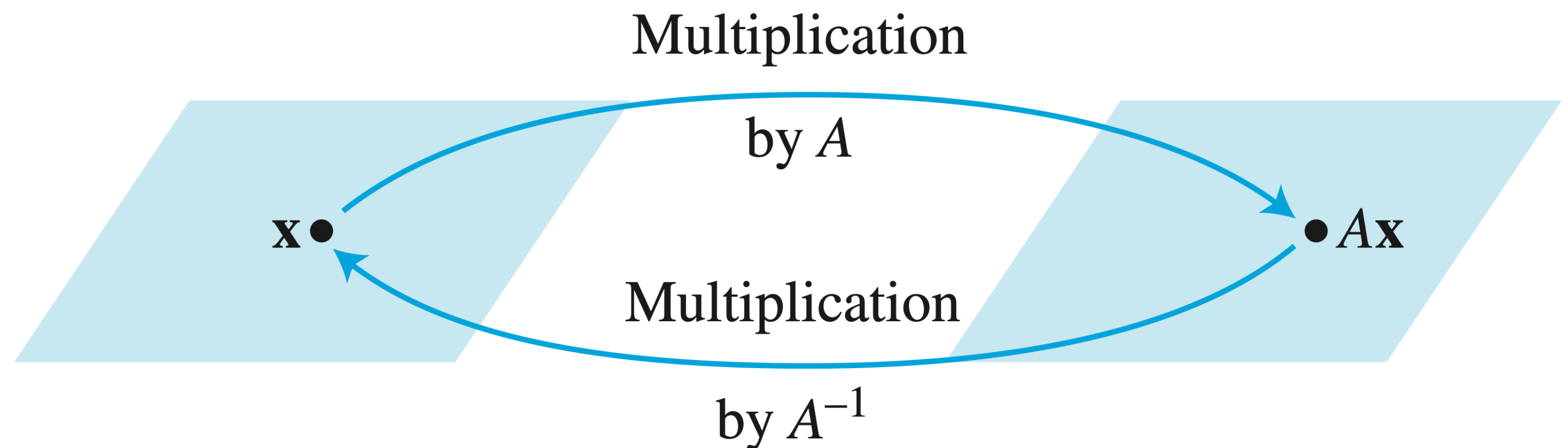
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$$S(T(\mathbf{v})) = \mathbf{v} \quad \text{and} \quad T(S(\mathbf{v})) = \mathbf{v}$$

for any \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n



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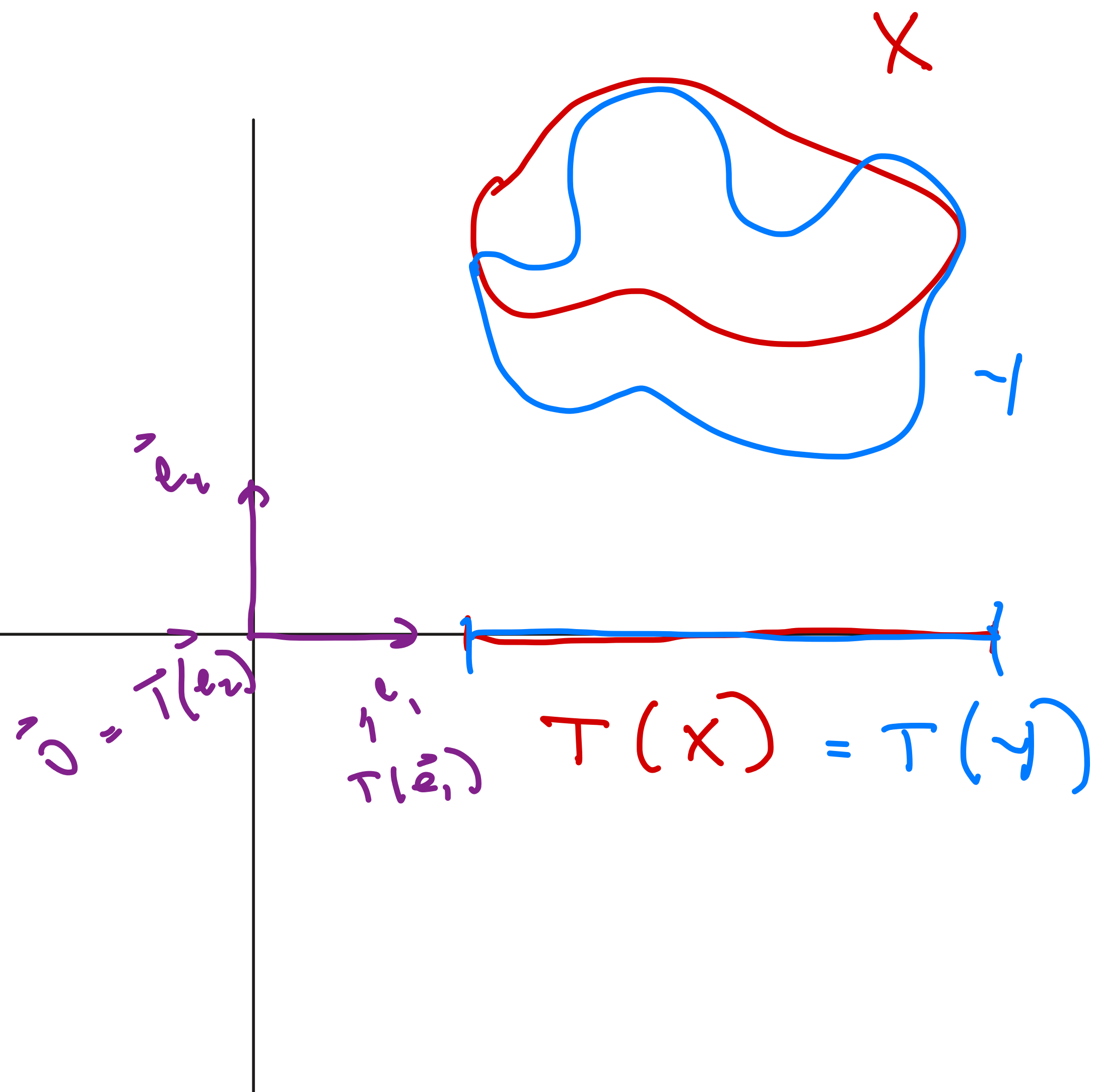
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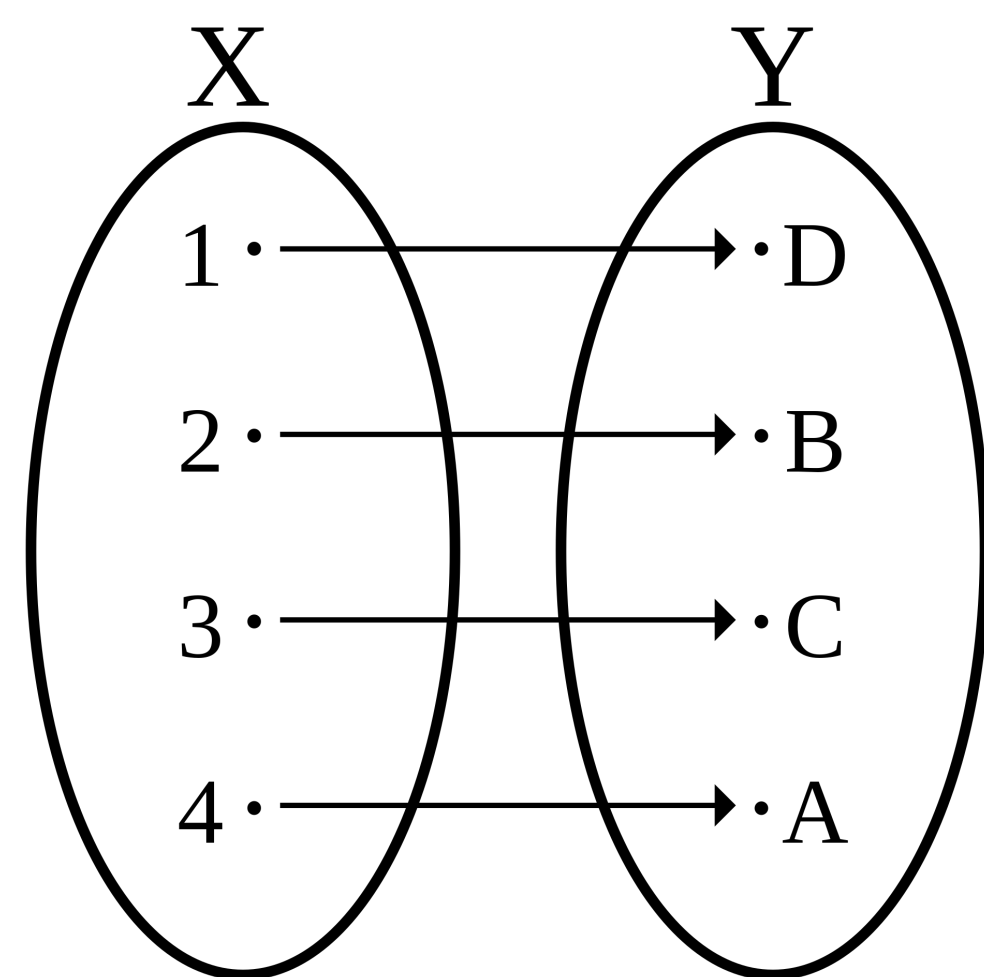
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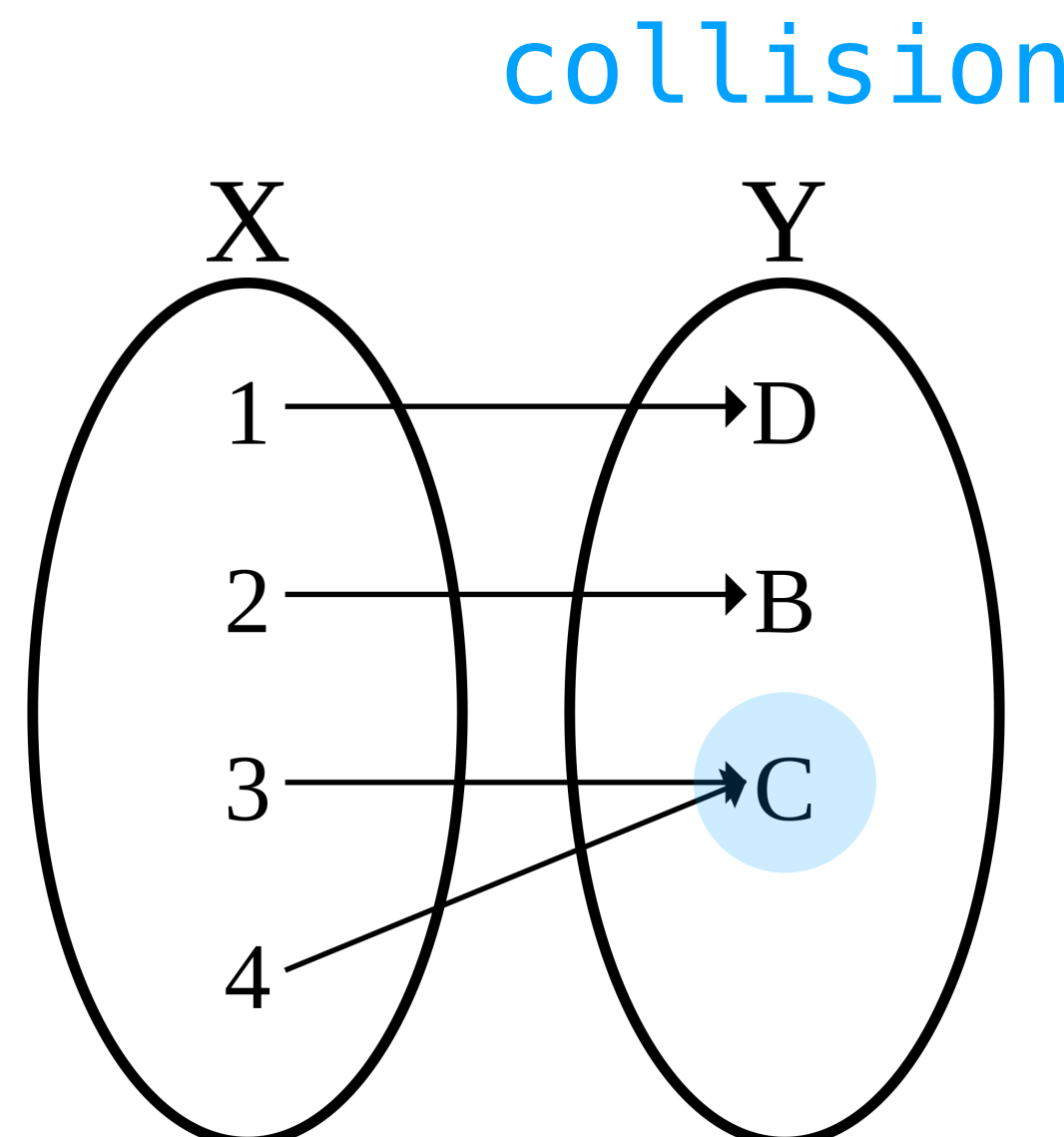
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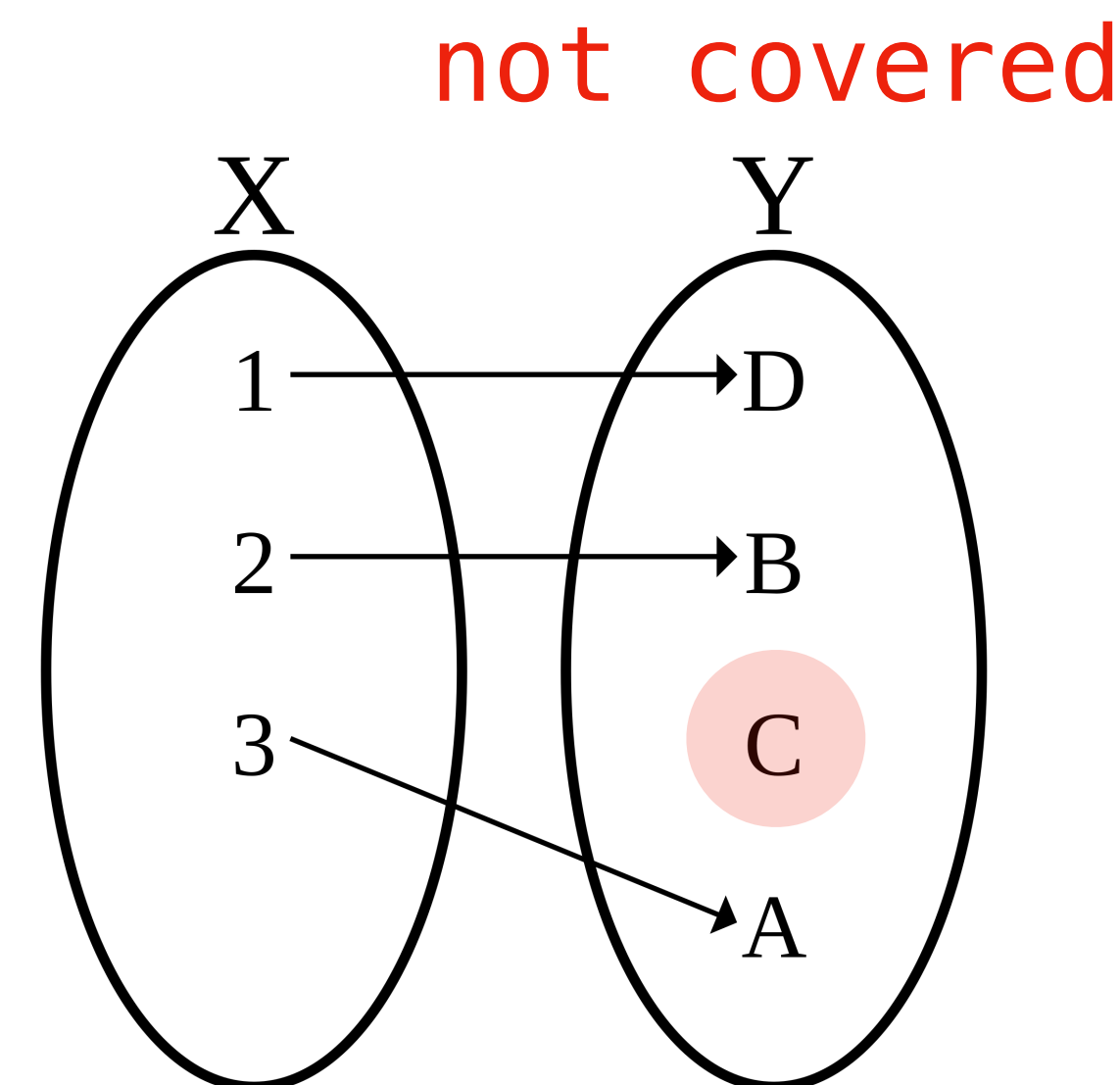
Kinds of Transformations (Pictorially)



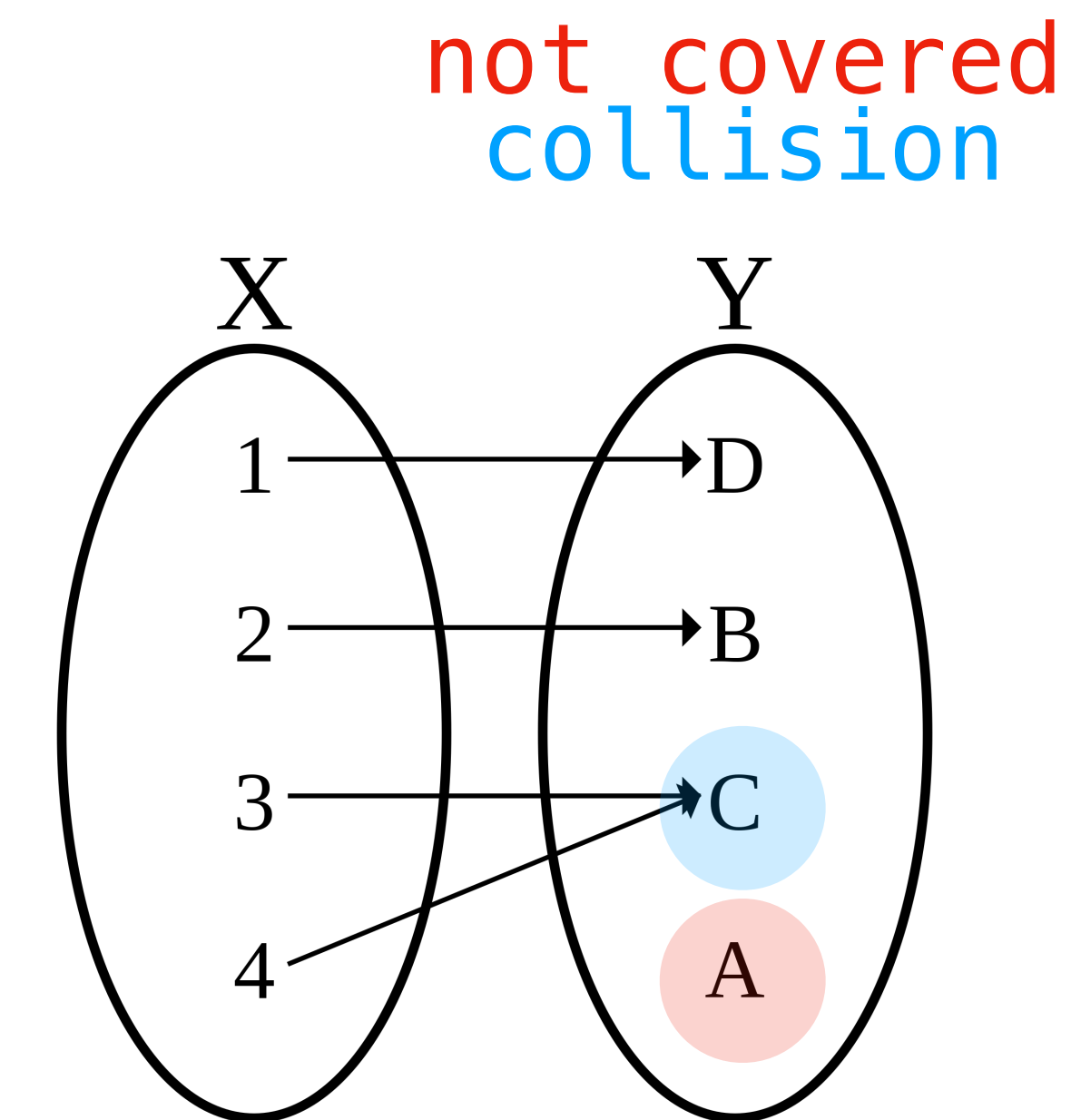
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Answer 2: the Invertible Matrix Theorem (IMT)

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$$A [\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \vec{b}_3] = [\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Solution. Solve the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{e}_i$ for every standard basis vector \mathbf{e}_i . Put those solutions $\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2, \dots, \mathbf{s}_n$ into a single matrix

$$[\mathbf{s}_1 \quad \mathbf{s}_2 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{s}_n]$$

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Solution. Row reduce the matrix $[A \ I]$ to a matrix $[I \ B]$. Then B is the inverse of A

This is really the same thing. It's a simultaneous reduction

demo

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Algebra of Matrix Inverses

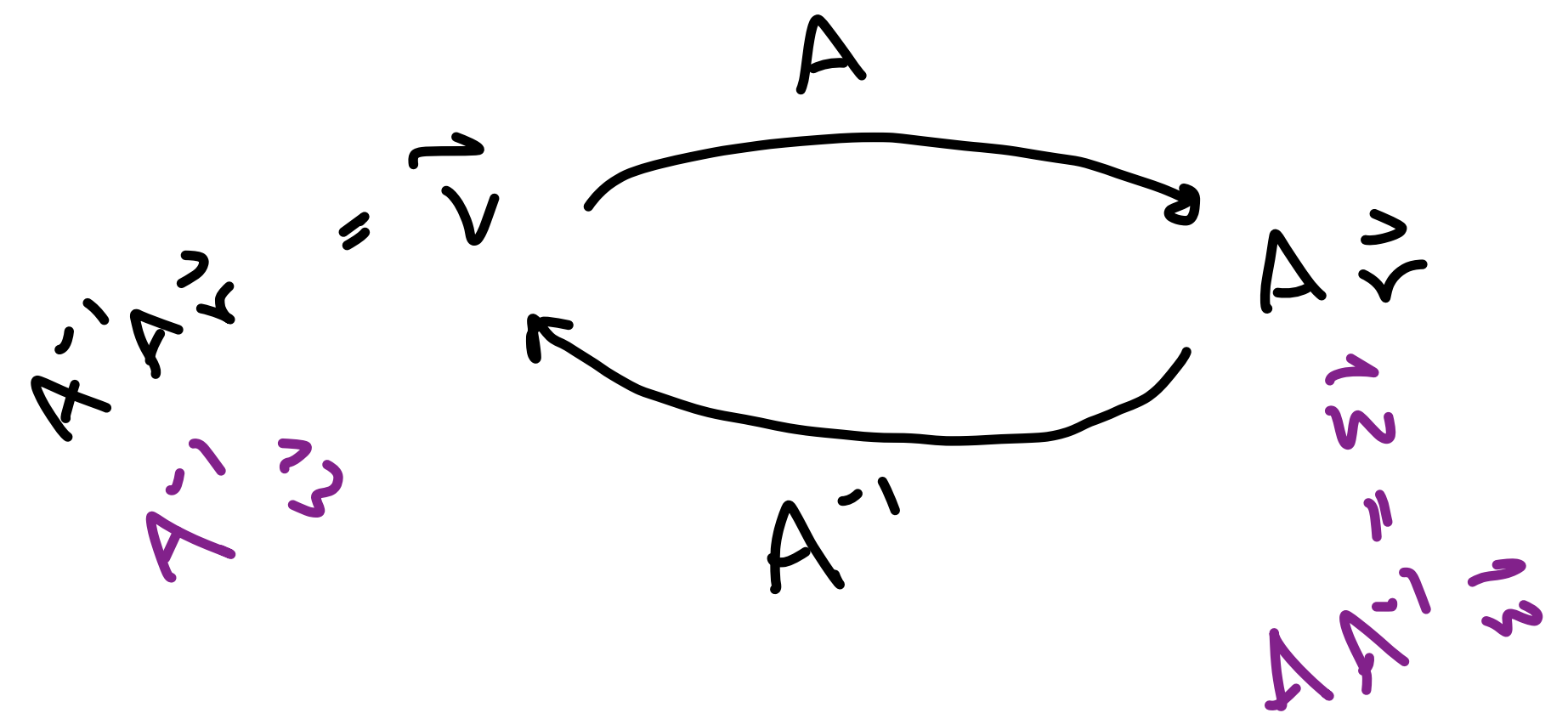
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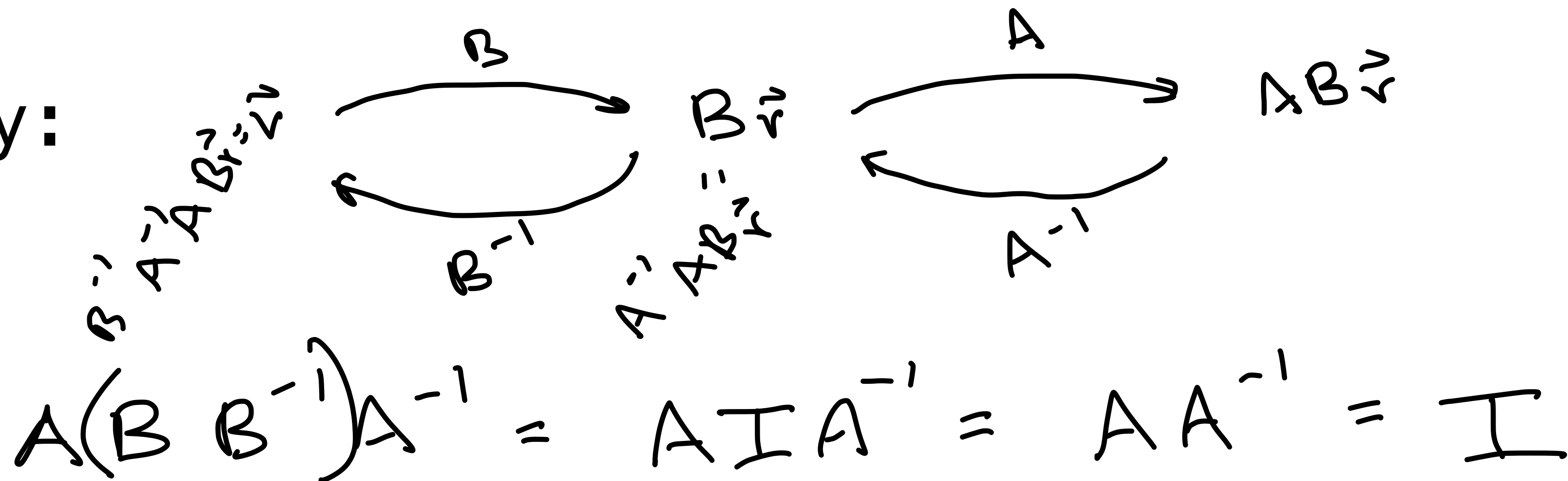
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The diagram illustrates the verification of the inverse of a product of matrices. It consists of two commutative diagrams and an algebraic equation.

The first diagram shows a cycle of three matrices: B (top), B^{-1} (bottom), and $A^{-1}AB^{-1}$ (left). Arrows indicate the composition of these matrices, forming a closed loop that represents the identity matrix I .

The second diagram shows a cycle of three matrices: A (top), A^{-1} (bottom), and $AB^{-1}A^{-1}$ (right). Arrows indicate the composition of these matrices, forming a closed loop that represents the identity matrix I .

The algebraic equation below the diagrams is:

$$A(BB^{-1})A^{-1} = AIA^{-1} = AA^{-1} = I$$

Question

Suppose that A is a $n \times n$ invertible matrix such that $A = A^T$ and B is a $m \times n$ matrix

Simplify the expression $A(BA^{-1})^T$ using the algebraic properties we've seen

Answer: B^T

$$A(BA^{-1})^T$$

$$A = A^T$$

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$$A^T(BA^{-1})^T = ((BA^{-1})A)^T$$

$$= (B(A^{-1}A))^T$$

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Motivation

Question. How do we know if a square matrix is invertible?

Answer. *Every* perspective we've taken so far can help us answer this question

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- 5. A has a pivot in every column
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- 7. A is row equivalent to I_n

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Invertibility is completely determined by how A behaves on 0 .

Question (Conceptual)

True or False: If A is invertible, and B is row equivalent to A (we can transform B into A by a sequence of row operations), then B is also invertible.

Answer: True

Row reductions don't change the number of pivots.

Question

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Answer

Consider $^A[\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \mathbf{a}_3]^T$. We can get to $[(\mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 - 2\mathbf{a}_3) \ (\mathbf{a}_2 + 5\mathbf{a}_3) \ \mathbf{a}_3]^T$ by row operations

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In other words: we want to solve a bunch of matrix equations over the same matrix

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Question. For a matrix A , solve (for X) in the equation

$$AX = B$$

where X and B are matrices of appropriate dimension

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Note. This applies to non-square matrices

What are "L" and "U"?

L stands for "lower" as in *lower triangular*

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The idea. L "implements" the row operations of the forward phase

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Example: Scaling

Restricted to one column, we see this is the above linear transformation

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Let's build the matrix which implements it:

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General Swap Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If we want to swap R_2 and R_3 , then we need the identity matrix, but with R_2 and R_3 swapped.

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Definition. An **elementary matrix** is a matrix obtained by applying a single row operation to the identity matrix I .

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How To: Finding Elementary Matrices

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How to: Matrices implementing Row Operations

Question. Find the matrix implementing a sequence of row operations op_1, op_2, \dots

Solution. Apply the row operations in sequence to the identity matrix of the appropriate size

Question

Find the matrix implementing the following sequence of elementary row operations on a $3 \times n$ matrix.

$$R_2 \leftarrow 3R_2$$

$$R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + R_2$$

$$R_2 \leftrightarrow R_3$$

Then multiply it with the all-ones 3×3 matrix.

Answer

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This also means the product of elementary matrices is invertible

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Each step can be represent as a **product with an elementary matrix**

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We won't prove this, but it's worth thinking about: **why is this lower triangular?**

And can we build this in a more efficient way?

demo

How To: LU Factorization by hand

Question. Find a LU Factorization for the matrix A (assuming no swaps)

Solution.

- » Start with L as the identity matrix
- » Find U by the forward part of GE
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the dominant term of a polynomial is the monomial with the highest degree

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^3 + 100000x^2}{3x^3} = 1$$

$3x^3$ dominates the function even though the coefficient for x^2 is so large

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Why is this better than just solving $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$?

FLOPs for Solving General Systems

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GE Forward: $\sim \frac{2n^3}{3}$ FLOPS

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Matrix Inversion: $\sim 2n^3$ FLOPS

Matrix-Vector Multiplication: $\sim 2n^2$ FLOPS

Solving by matrix inversion: $\sim 2n^3$ FLOPS

Solving by Gaussian elimination: $\sim \frac{2n^3}{3}$ FLOPS

FLOPS for solving LU systems

LU Factorization: $\sim \frac{2n^3}{3}$ FLOPS

Solving $L\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$: $\sim 2n^2$ FLOPS (by "forward" elimination)

Solving $U\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$: $\sim 2n^2$ FLOPS (already in echelon form)

Solving by LU Factorization: $\sim \frac{2n^3}{3}$ FLOPS

If you solve several matrix equations for the same matrix, LU factorization is faster than matrix inversion on the first equation, and the same (asymptotically) in later equations (and it works for rectangular matrices).

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Sparse matrices are faster to compute with and better with respect to storage.

Summary

Matrix inverses allow us to easily solve many matrixes equations over the same A

LU Factorizations allows us to do the same, but more generally more efficiently