

Sparse Representations: from Source Separation to Compressed Sensing

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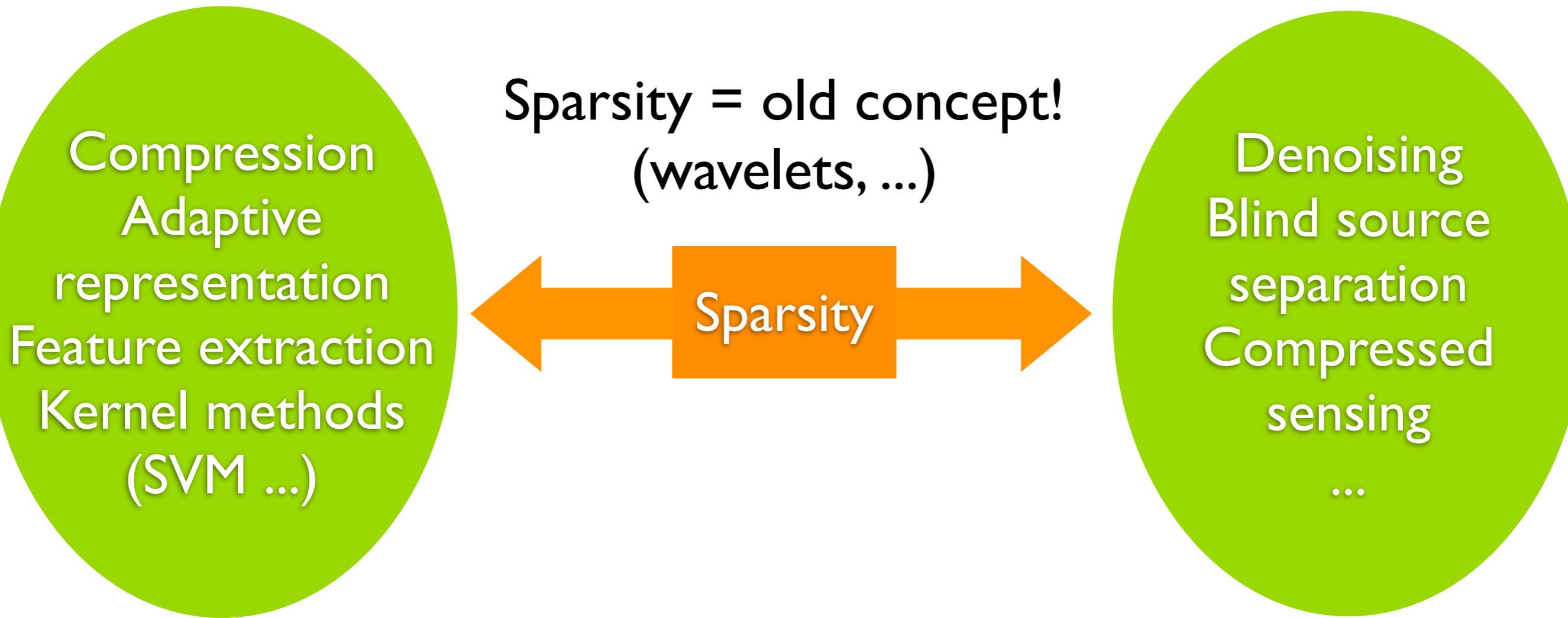
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Structure of the course

- Part I: Overview
- Part II: Algorithms, complexity & convergence
 - ◆ L_p minimization
 - ◆ Greedy Algorithms
- Part III: Recovery, stability, robustness
 - ◆ Null Space Properties and L_p minimization
 - ◆ Exact Recovery Condition and greedy algorithms
 - ◆ Restricted Isometry Constants, stability and robustness
- Part IV: Compressed Sensing and Random Matrices

Introduction



Natural / traditional role :

Sparsity = low cost (bits, computations, ...)
direct goal

Novel indirect role

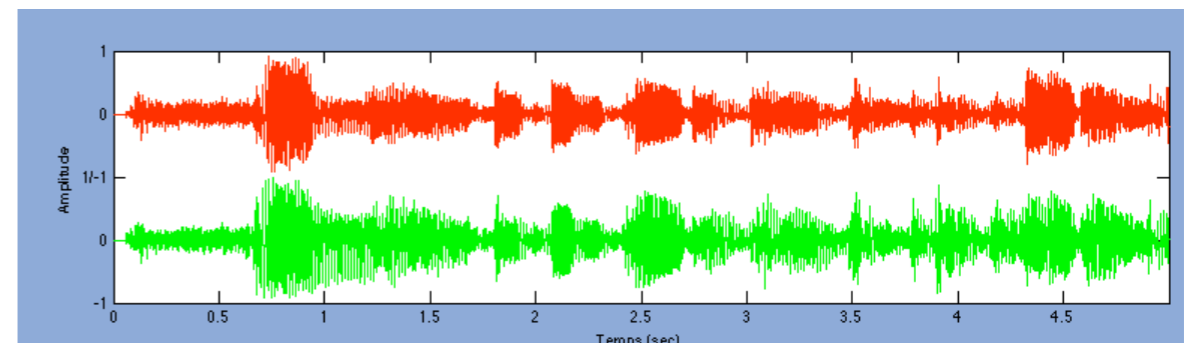
Sparsity = prior knowledge
Tool for inverse problems

Overview

- Introduction : source separation and inverse problems
- Sparse decomposition algorithms
 - ◆ L1 minimisation
 - ◆ Matching Pursuits
- Provably good algorithms to recover sparse representations
- Compressed sensing & random sampling

« Blind » Audio Source Separation

- « Softly as in a morning sunrise »

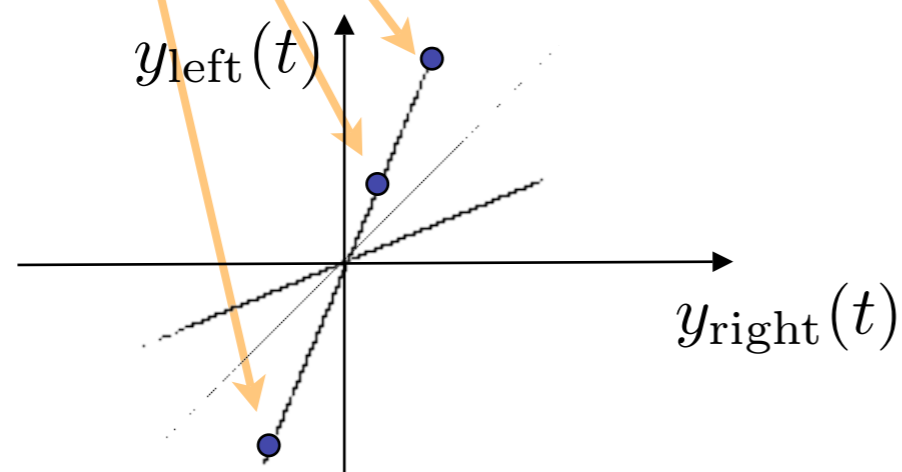


Blind Source Separation

- Mixing model : linear instantaneous mixture

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_{\text{right}}(t) \\ y_{\text{left}}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \begin{pmatrix} s_1(t) \\ s_2(t) \\ s_3(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Source model : if disjoint time-supports ...



... then clustering to :

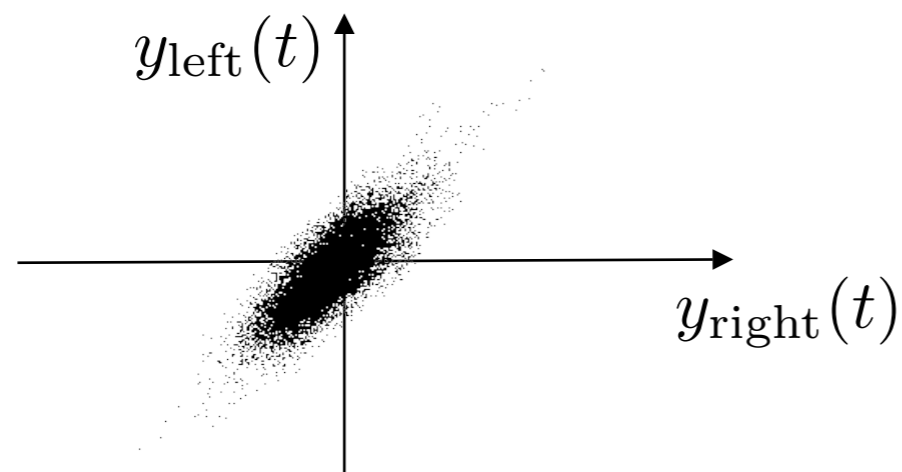
- 1- identify (columns of) the mixing matrix
- 2- recover sources

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- In practice ...

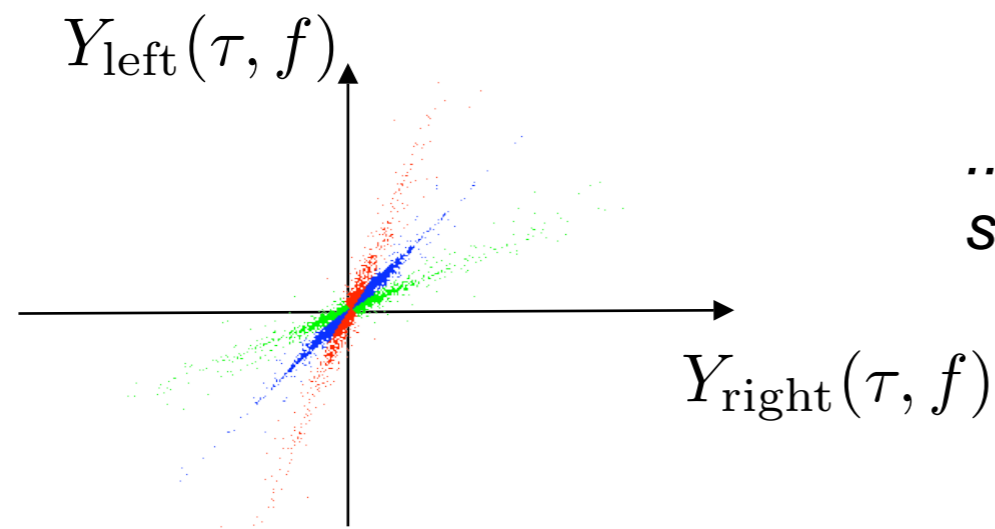


Time-Frequency Masking

- Mixing model in the time-frequency domain

$$\begin{matrix} Y_{\text{right}}(\tau, f) \\ Y_{\text{left}}(\tau, f) \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} \text{[Spectrogram 1]} \\ \text{[Spectrogram 2]} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}(\tau, f)$$

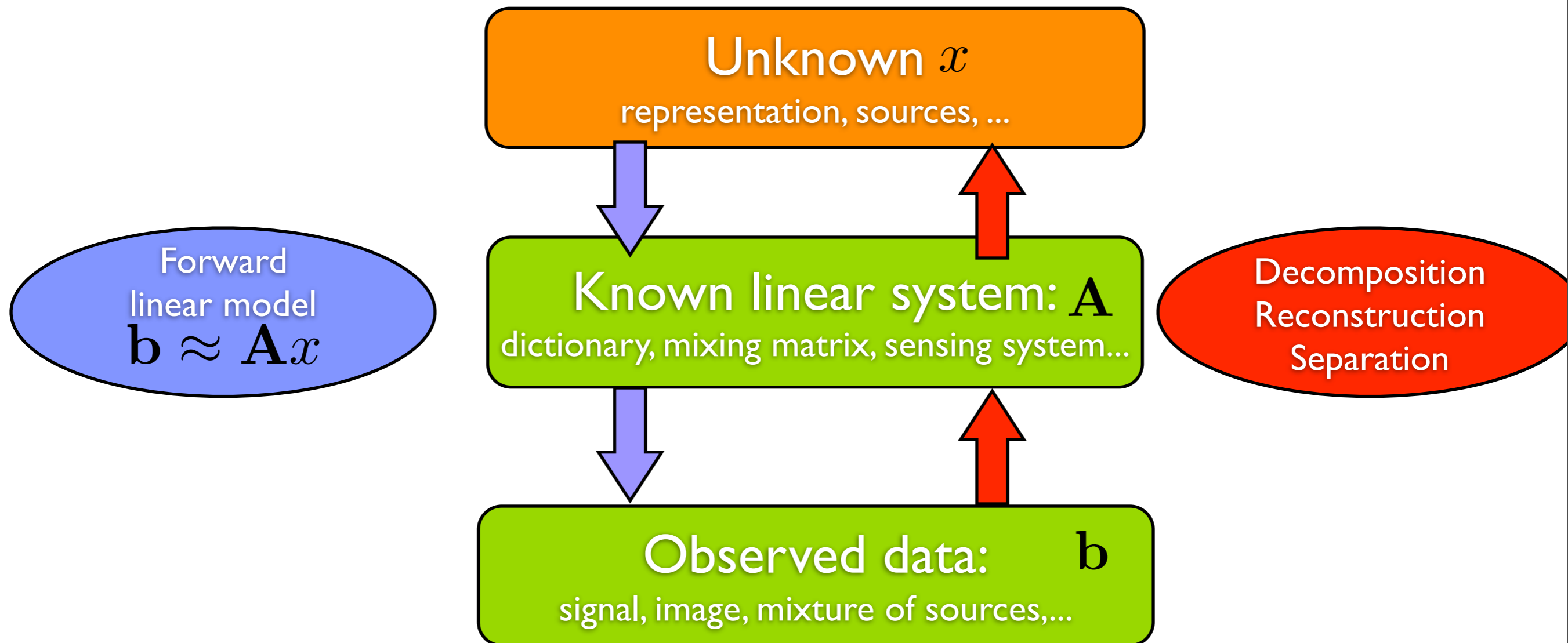
- And “miraculously” ...



... time-frequency representations of audio signals are (often) **almost disjoint**.

Sparse decomposition algorithms

Vocabulary



Sparsity and Ill-Posed Inverse Problems

- Ill-posedness if more unknowns than equations

$$\mathbf{A}x_0 = \mathbf{A}x_1 \not\Rightarrow x_0 = x_1$$

- Uniqueness of sparse solutions:

- ◆ if x_0, x_1 are “sufficiently sparse”,

- ◆ then $\mathbf{A}x_0 = \mathbf{A}x_1 \Rightarrow x_0 = x_1$

- Recovery with practical algorithms

- ◆ Thresholding, Matching Pursuits, L_p minimization $p \leq 1, \dots$

Overall compromise

- Approximation quality

$$\|\mathbf{A}x - \mathbf{b}\|_2$$

- Ideal sparsity measure : ℓ^0 “norm”

$$\|x\|_0 := \#\{n, x_n \neq 0\} = \sum_n |x_n|^0$$

- ♦ Relaxed sparsity measure

$$\|x\|_p := \left(\sum_n |x_n|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

Algorithms

Global optimization

Iterative greedy algorithms

Principle	$\min_x \frac{1}{2} \ \mathbf{A}x - \mathbf{b}\ _2^2 + \lambda \ x\ _p^p$	
Tuning quality/sparsity	regularization parameter λ	
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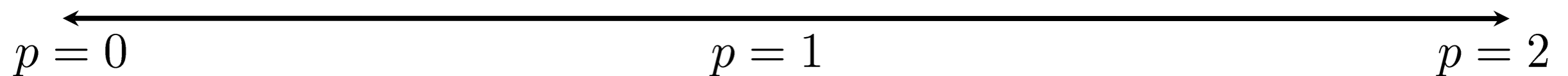
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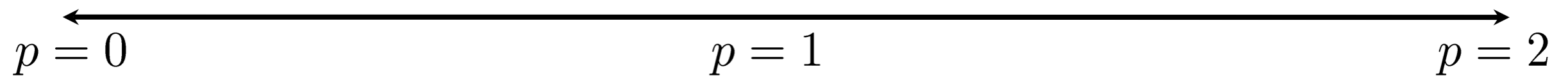
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NP-hard
combinatorial

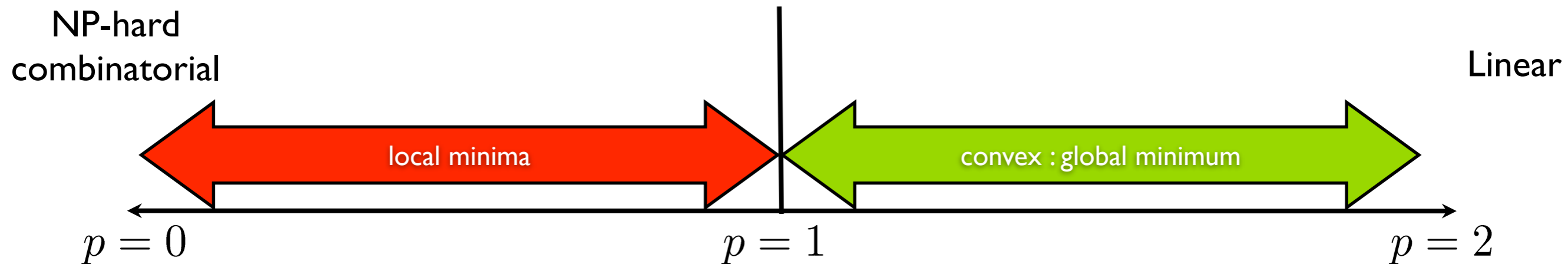
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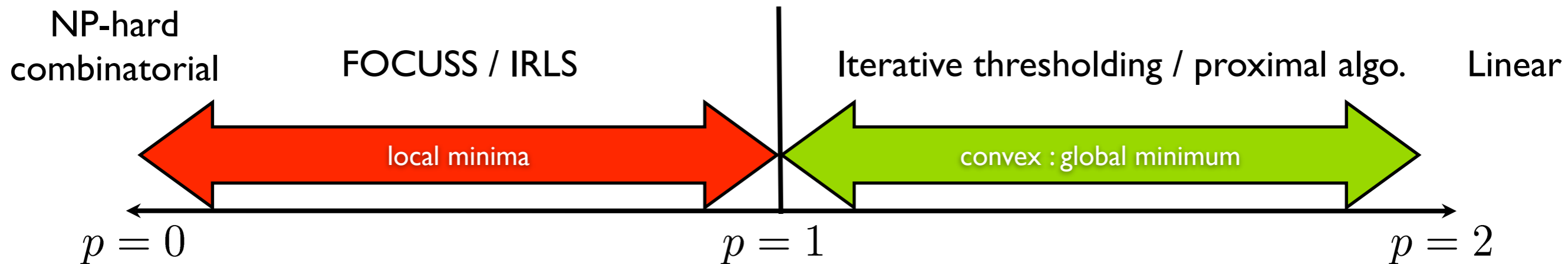
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Tuning quality/sparsity	regularization parameter λ	<p>stopping criterion (nb of iterations, error level, ...)</p> $\ x_i\ _0 \geq k \quad \ \mathbf{r}_i\ \leq \epsilon$
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Main greedy algorithms

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}x_i + \mathbf{r}_i$$

$$\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}_N]$$

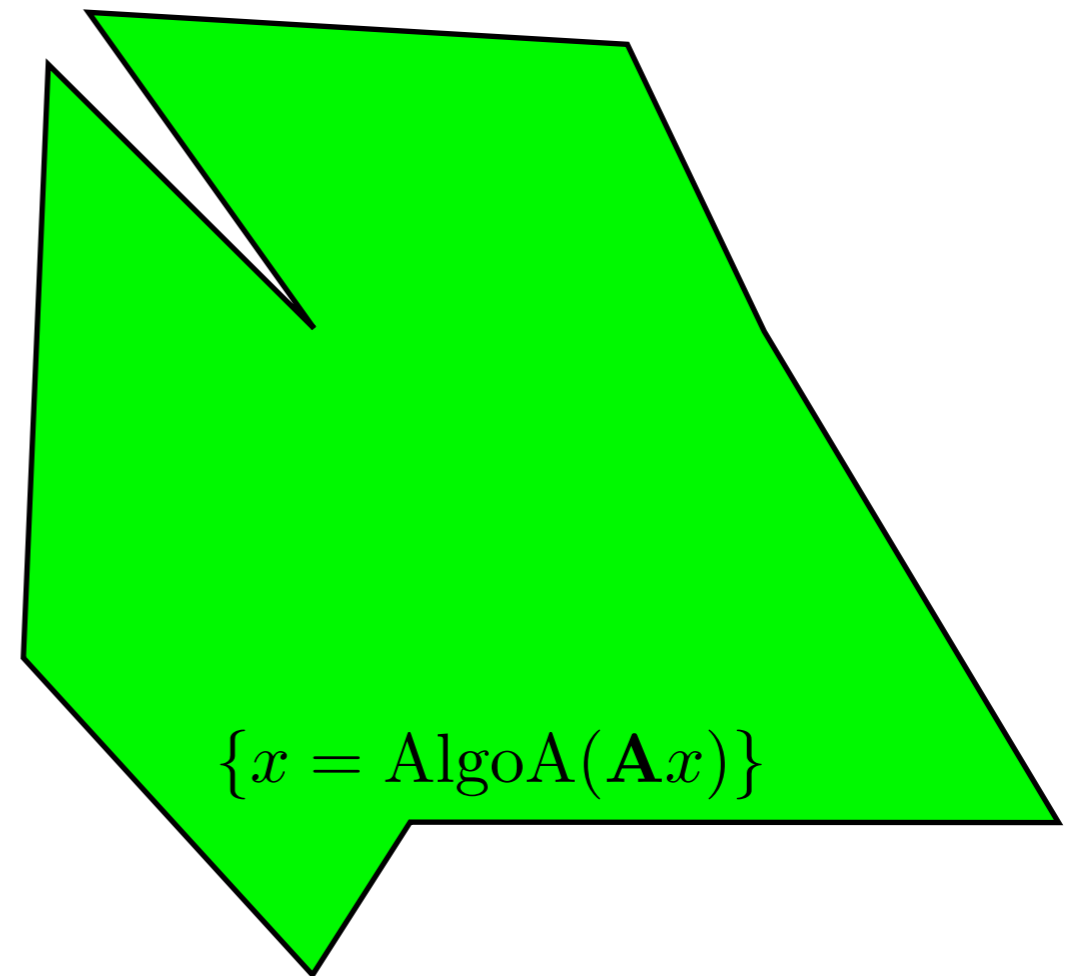
	Matching Pursuit	OMP	Stagewise
Selection	$\Gamma_i := \arg \max_n \mathbf{A}_n^T \mathbf{r}_{i-1} $		$\Gamma_i := \{n \mid \mathbf{A}_n^T \mathbf{r}_{i-1} > \theta_i\}$
Update	$\Lambda_i = \Lambda_{i-1} \cup \Gamma_i$ $x_i = x_{i-1} + \mathbf{A}_{\Gamma_i}^+ \mathbf{r}_{i-1}$ $\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{r}_{i-1} - \mathbf{A}_{\Gamma_i} \mathbf{A}_{\Gamma_i}^+ \mathbf{r}_{i-1}$	$\Lambda_i = \Lambda_{i-1} \cup \Gamma_i$ $x_i = \mathbf{A}_{\Lambda_i}^+ \mathbf{b}$ $\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}_{\Lambda_i} x_i$	

MP & OMP: *Mallat & Zhang 1993*
 StOMP: *Donoho & al 2006* (similar to MCA, *Bobin & al 2006*)

Provably good algorithms

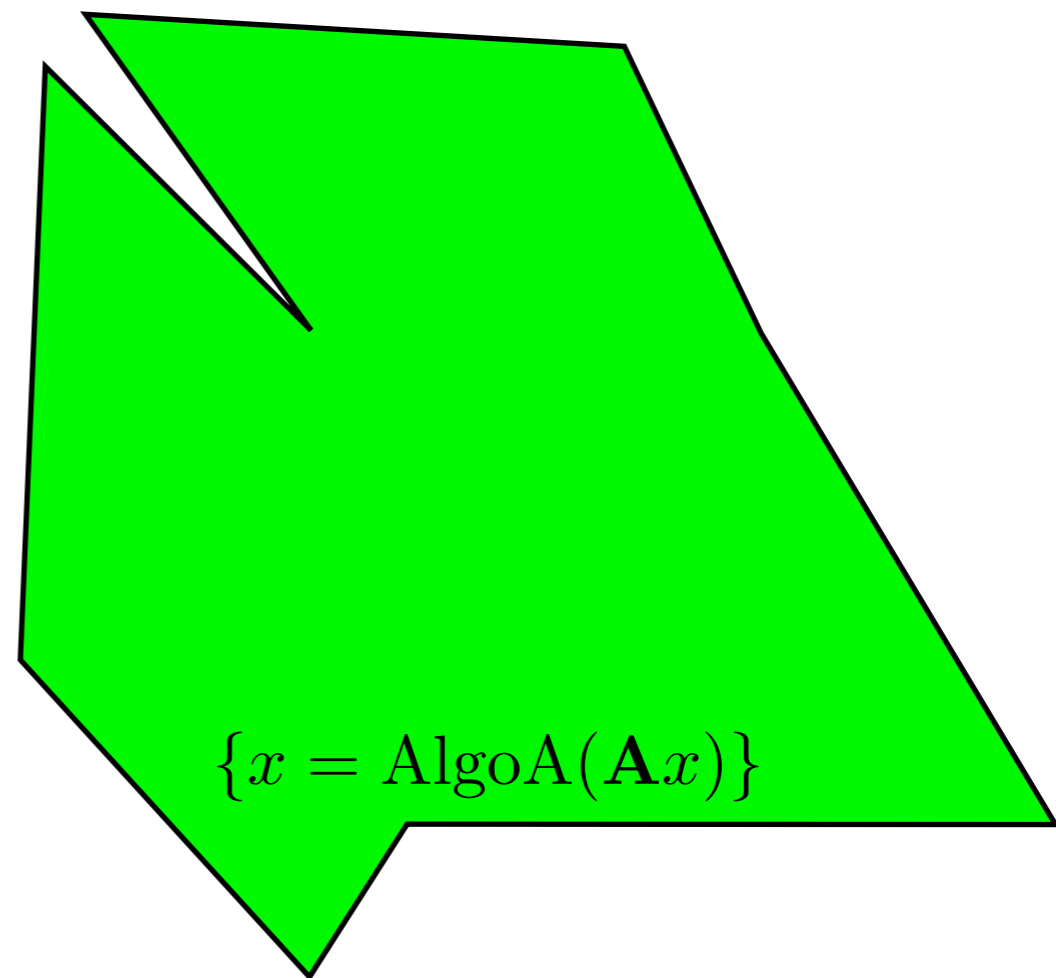
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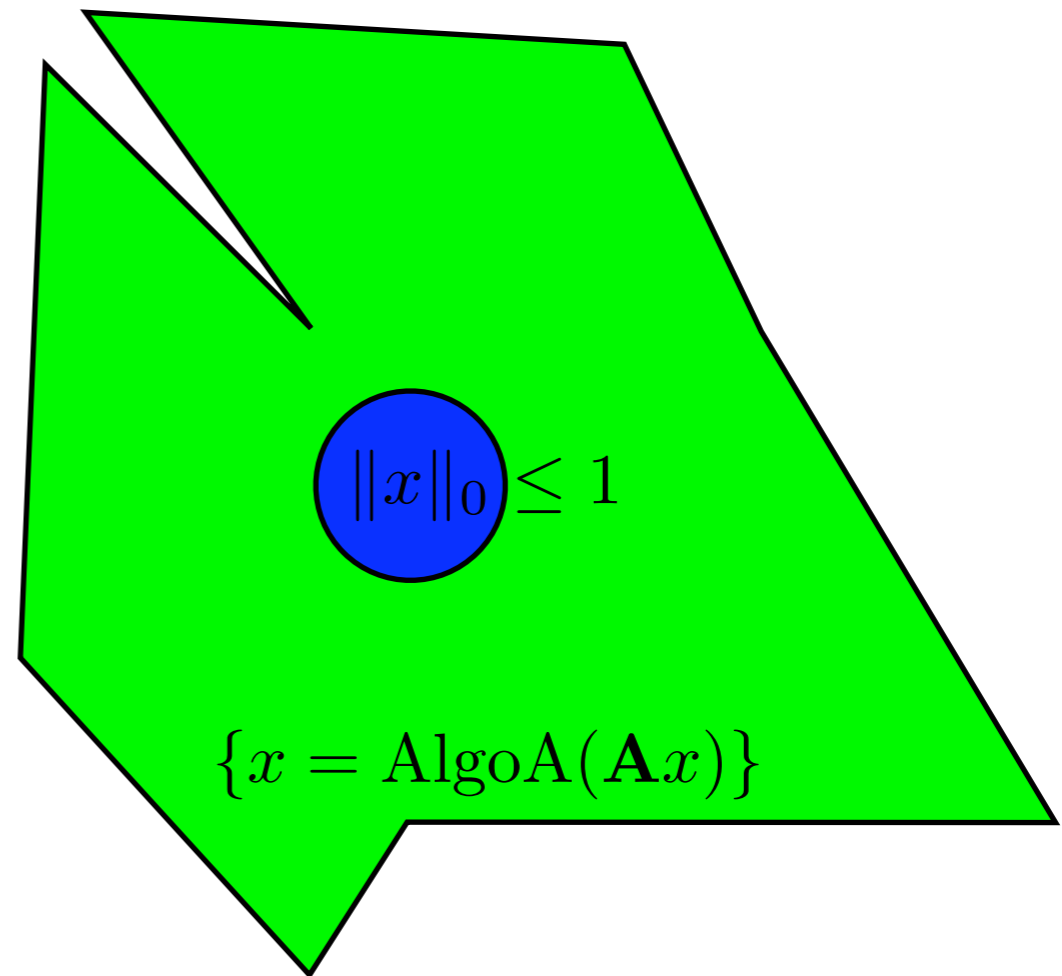
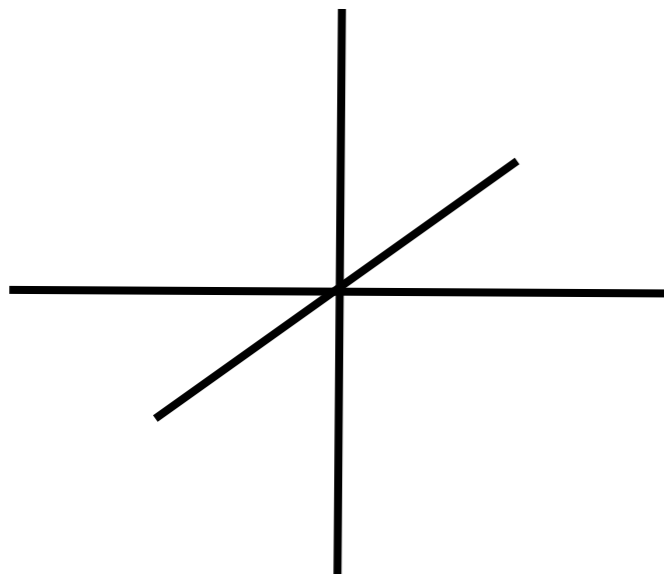
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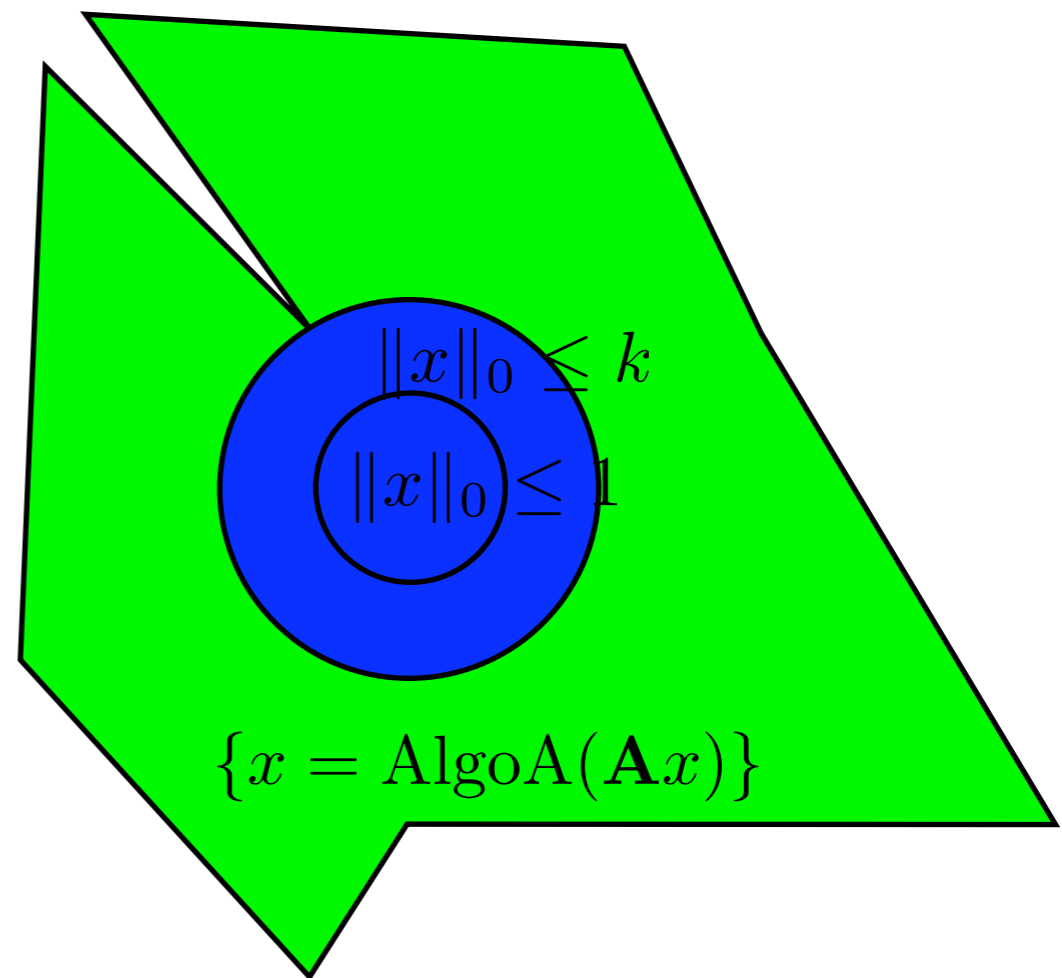
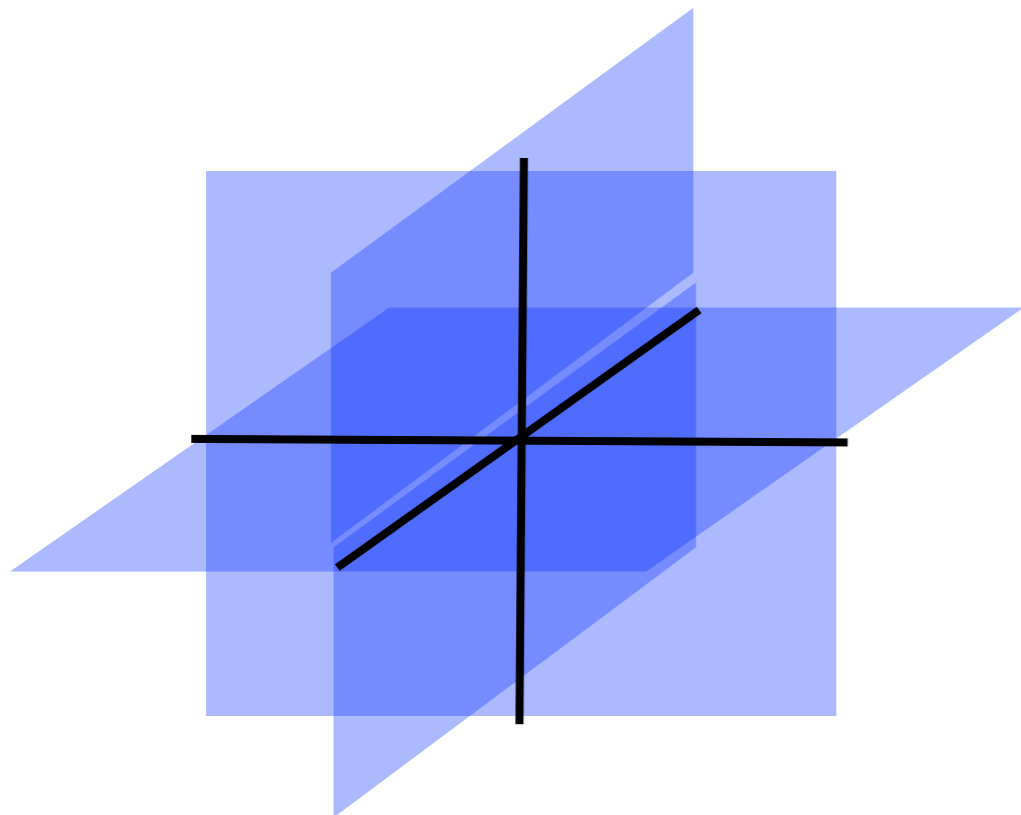
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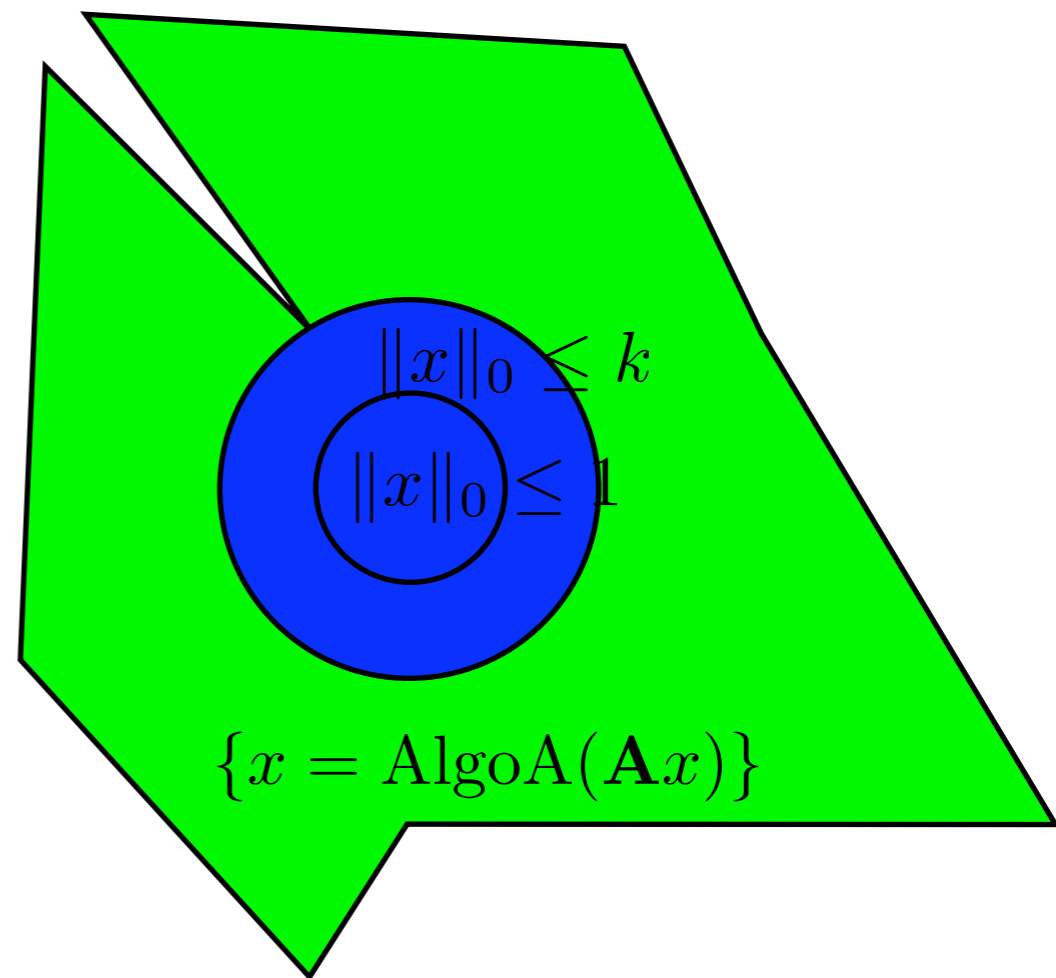
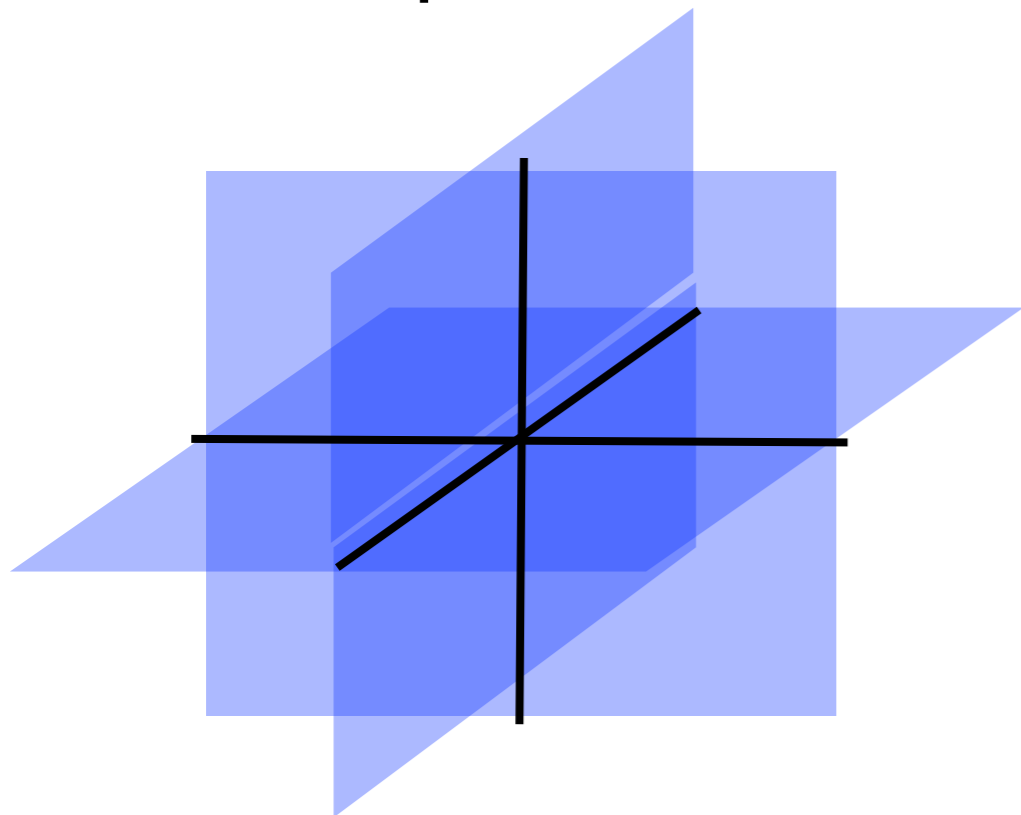
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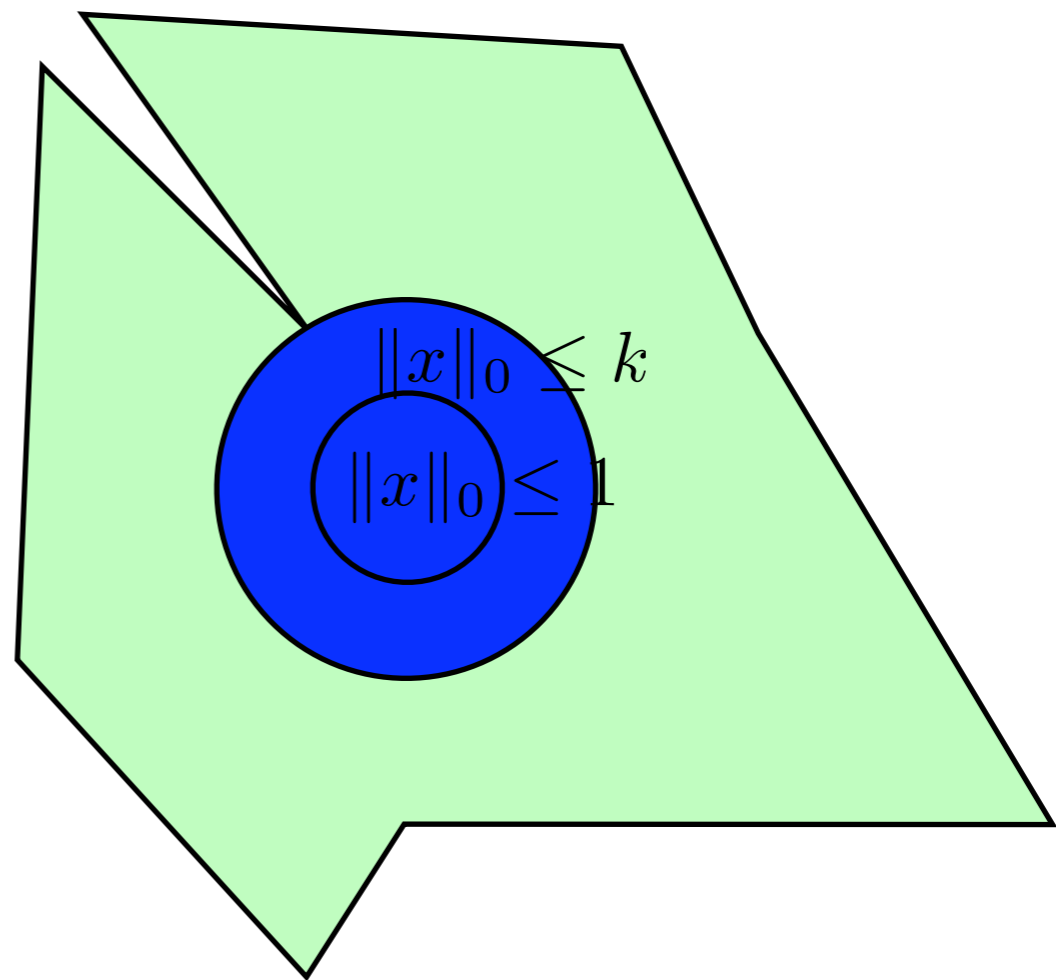
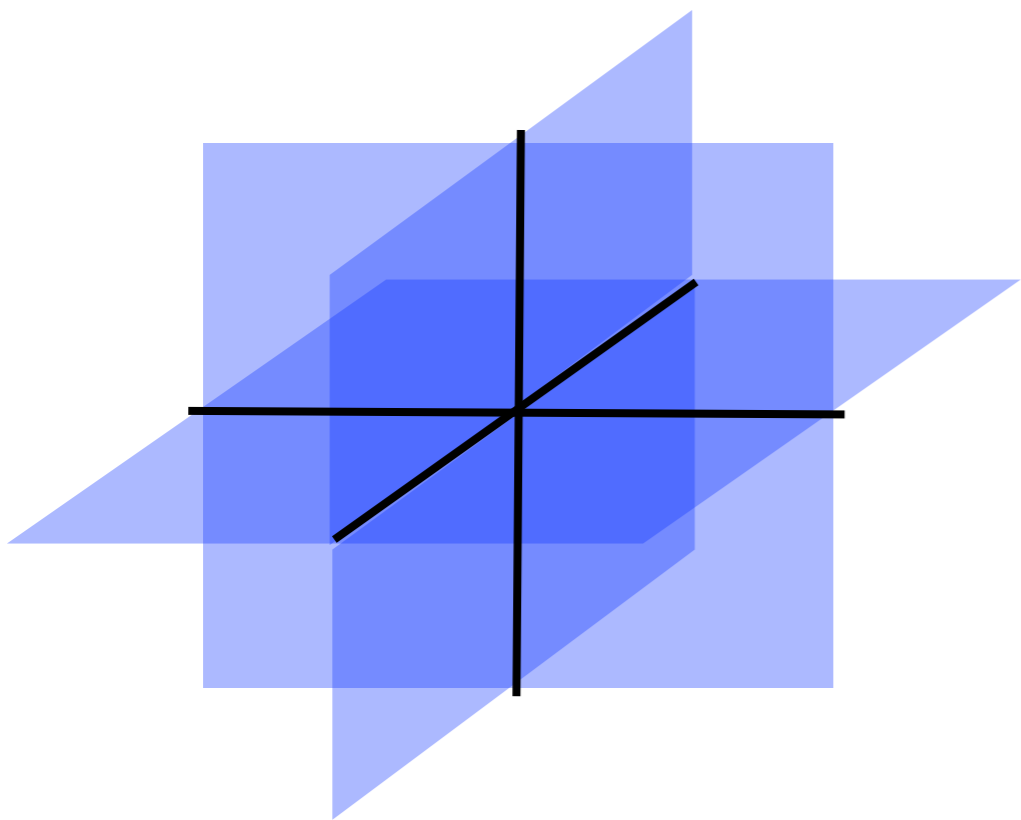
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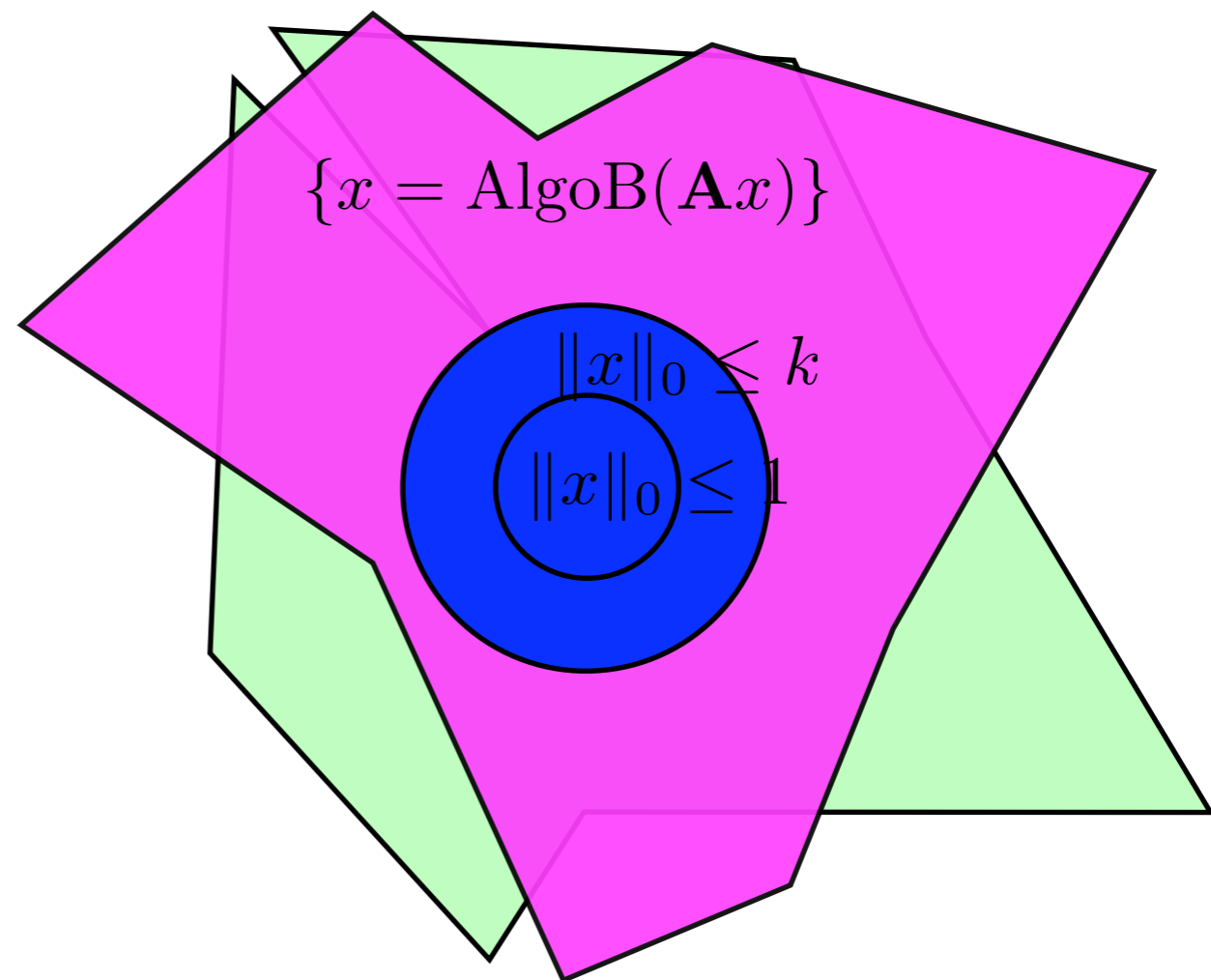
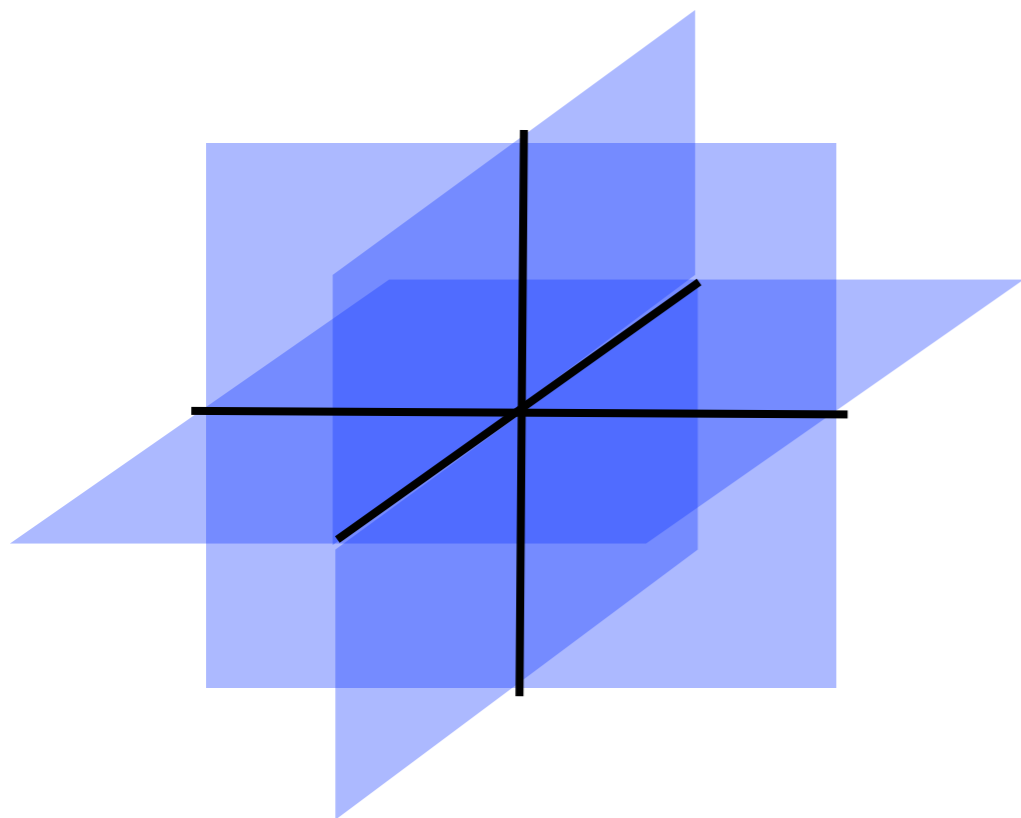
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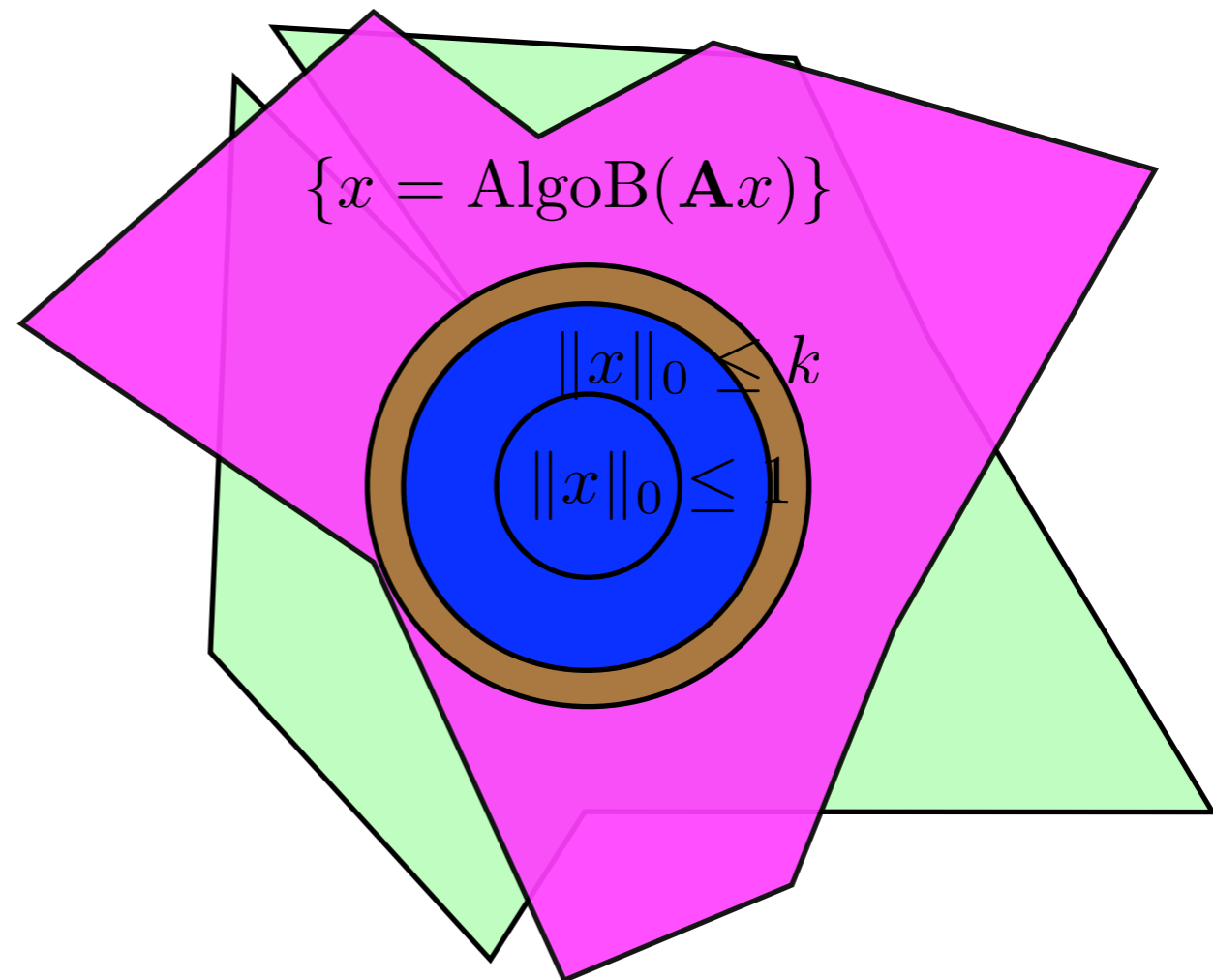
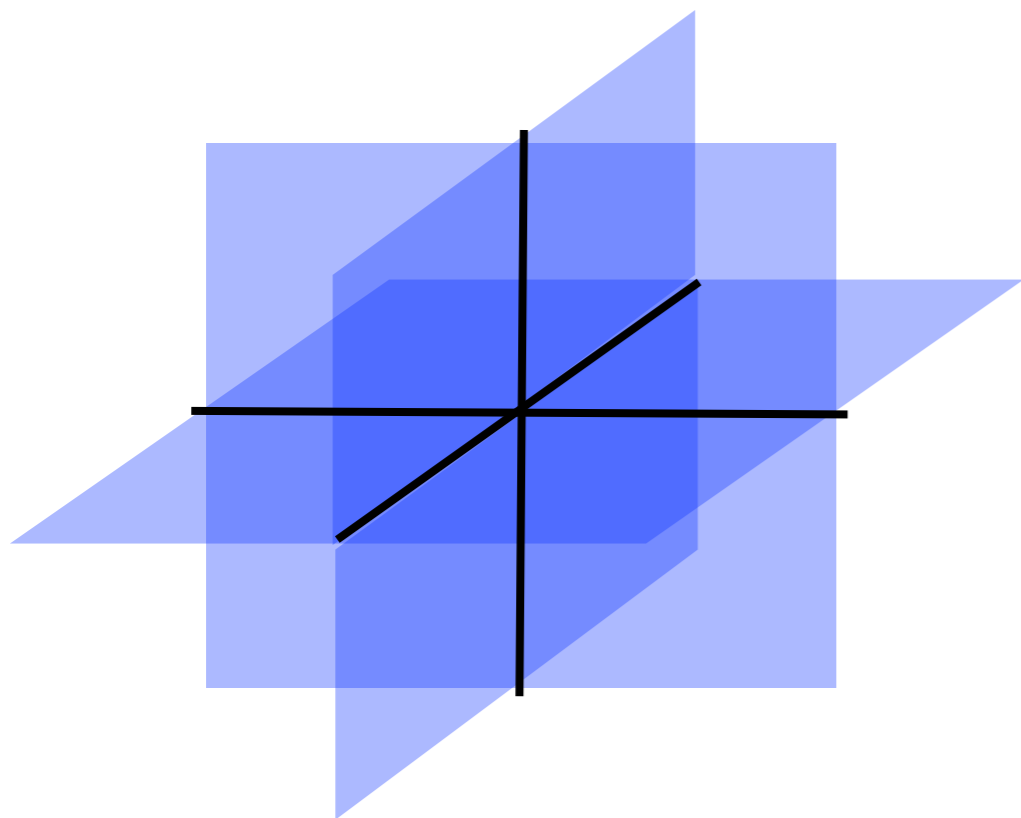
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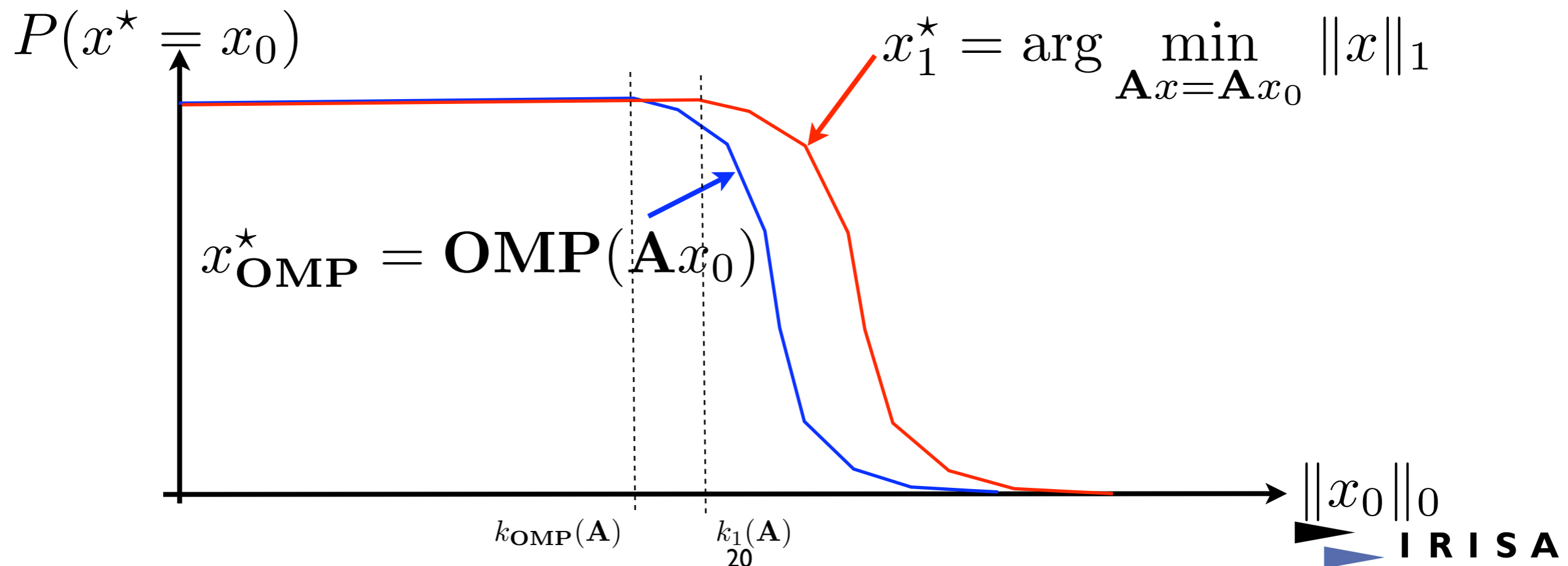
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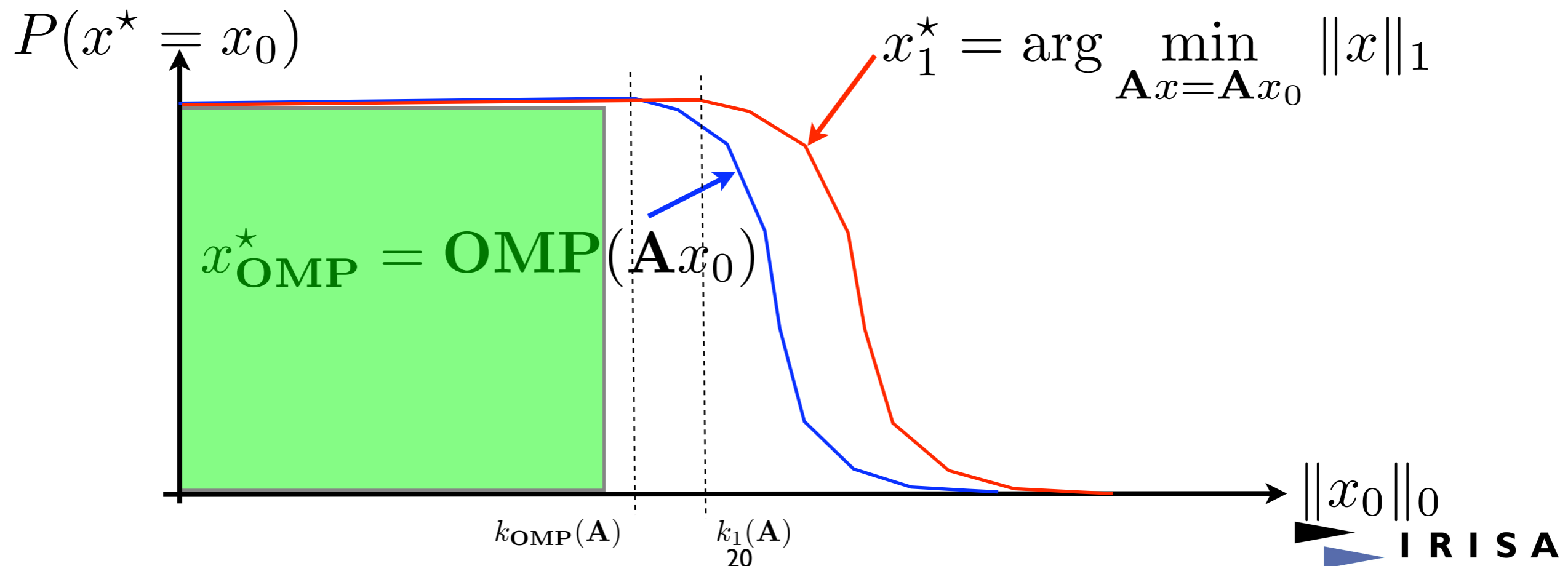
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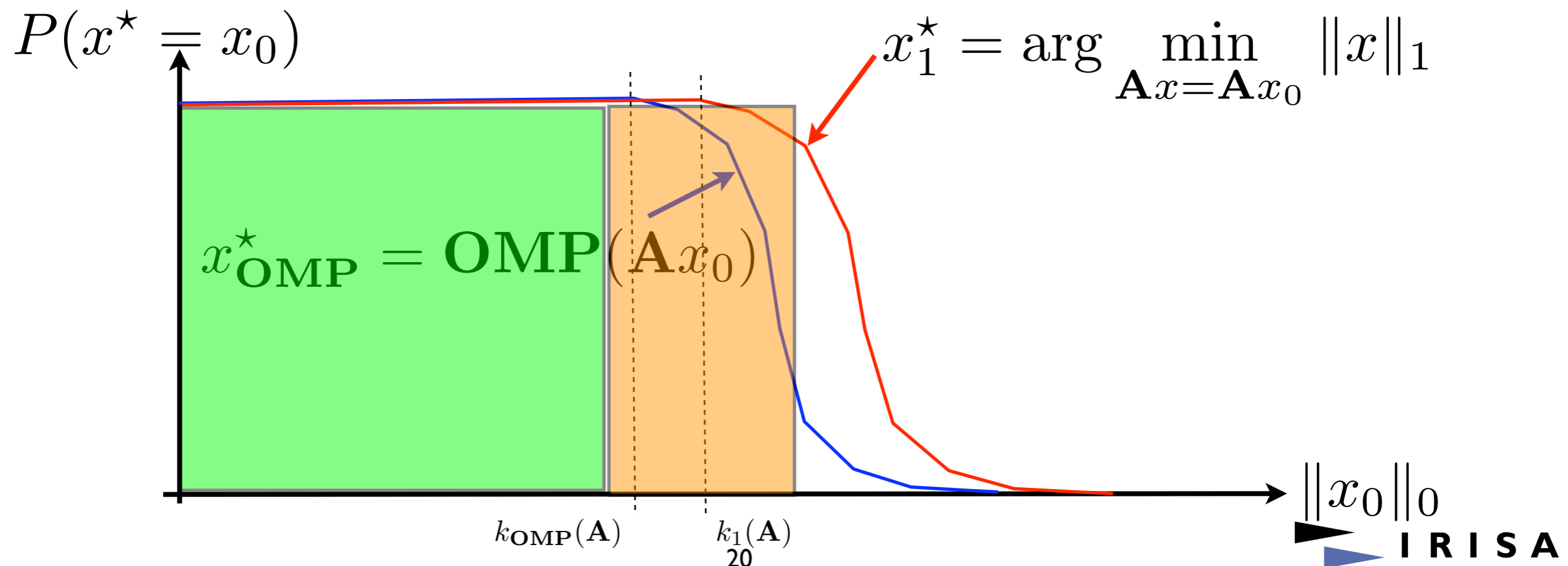
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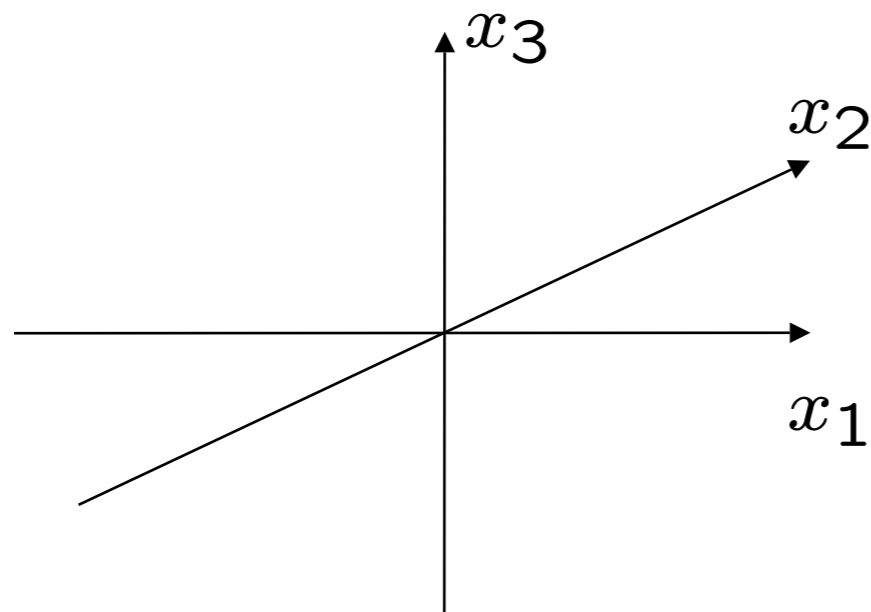
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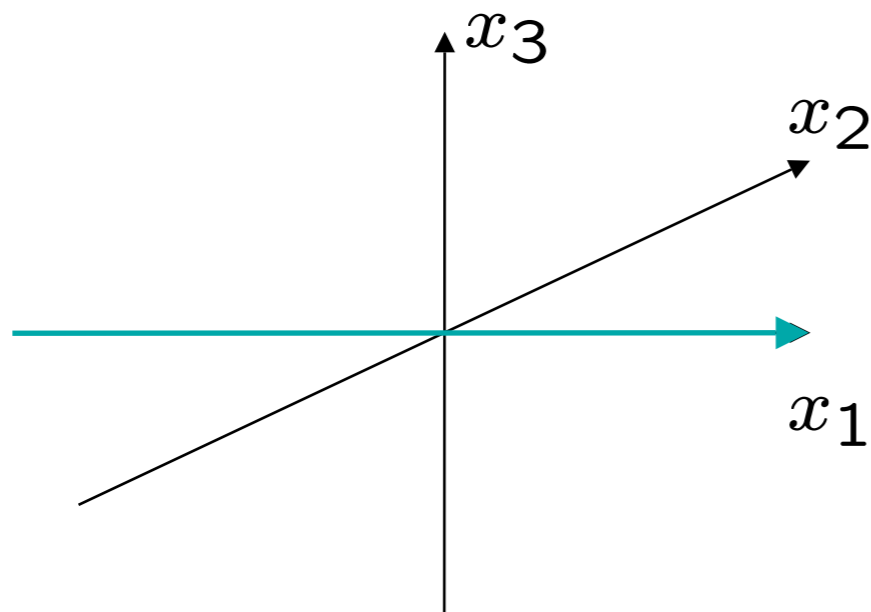
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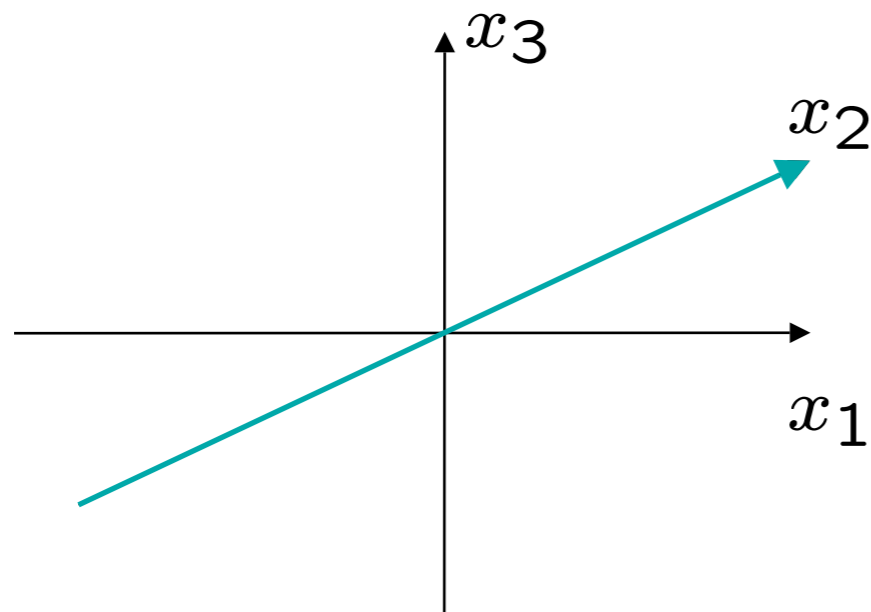
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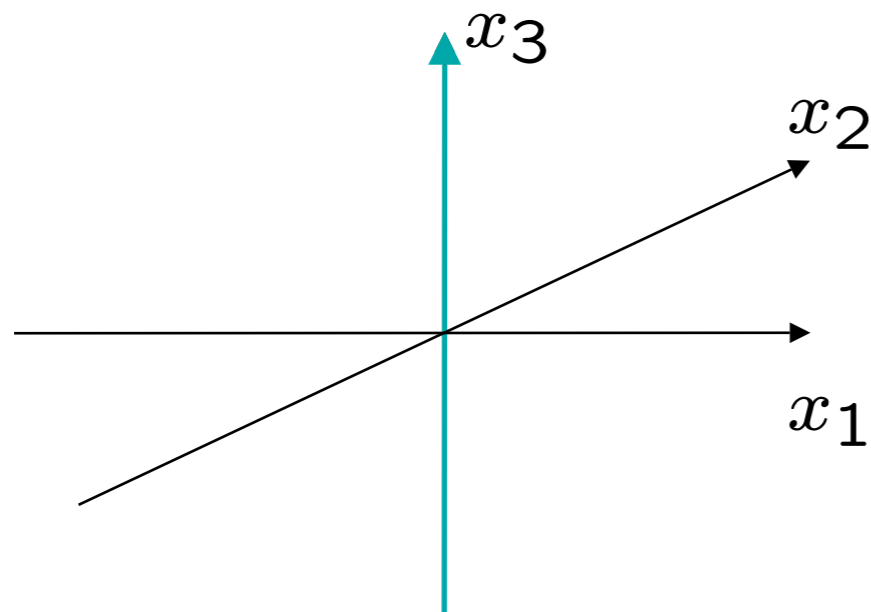
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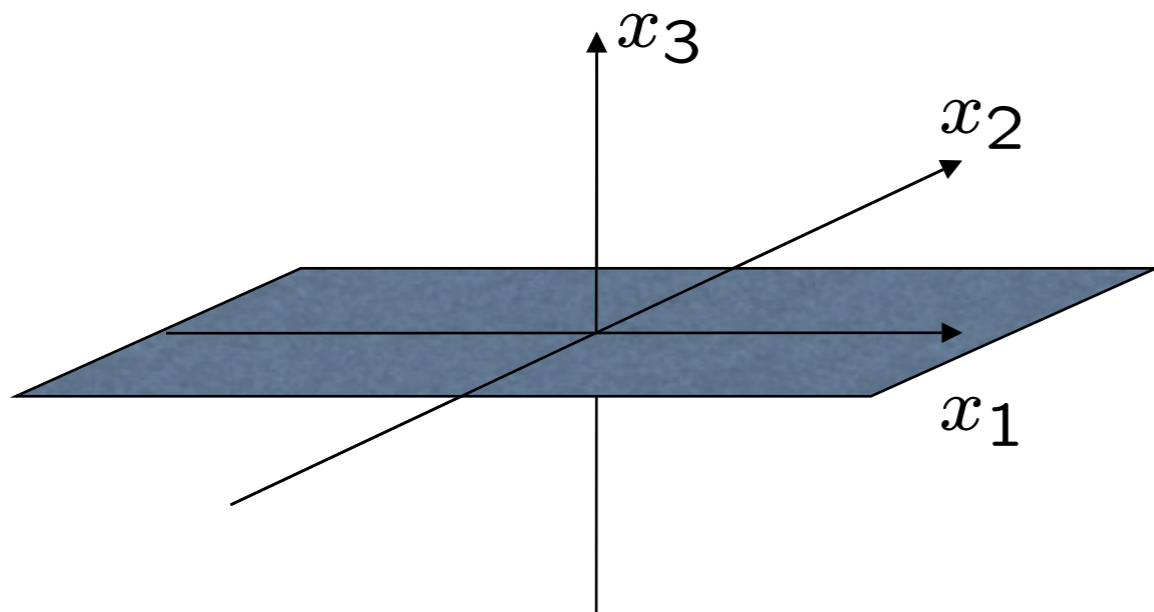
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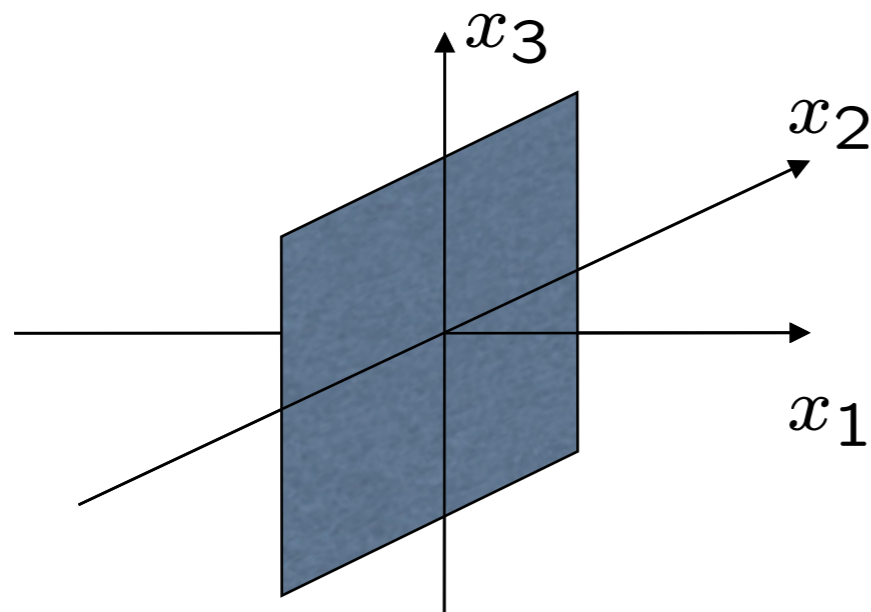
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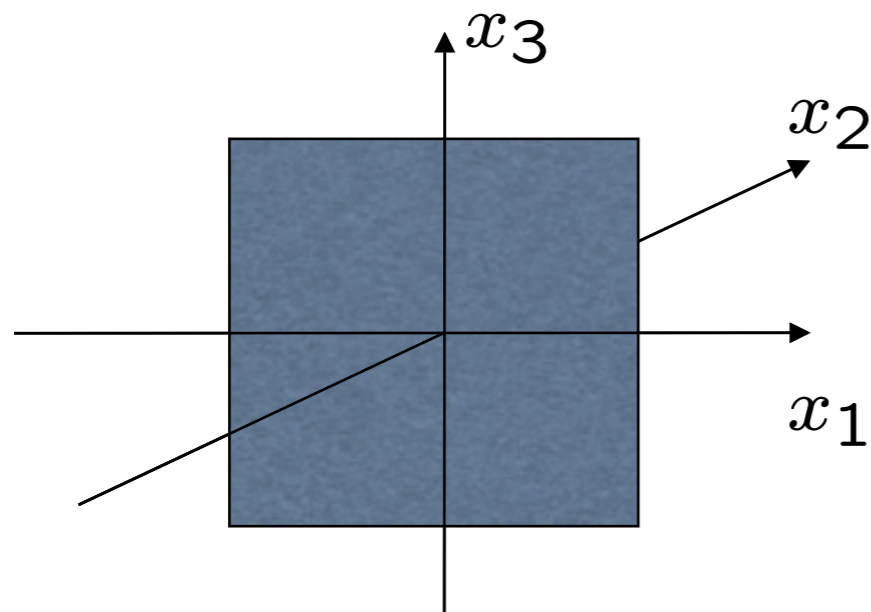
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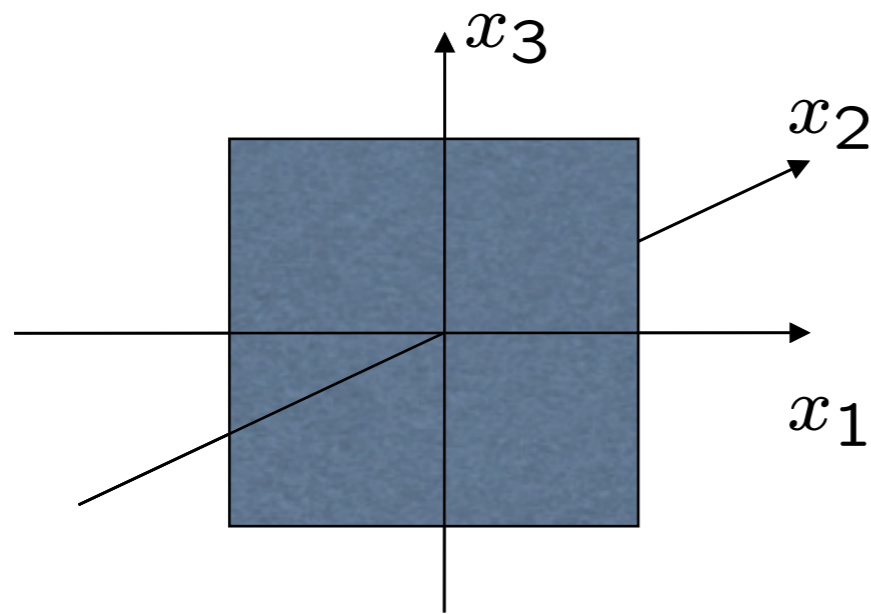
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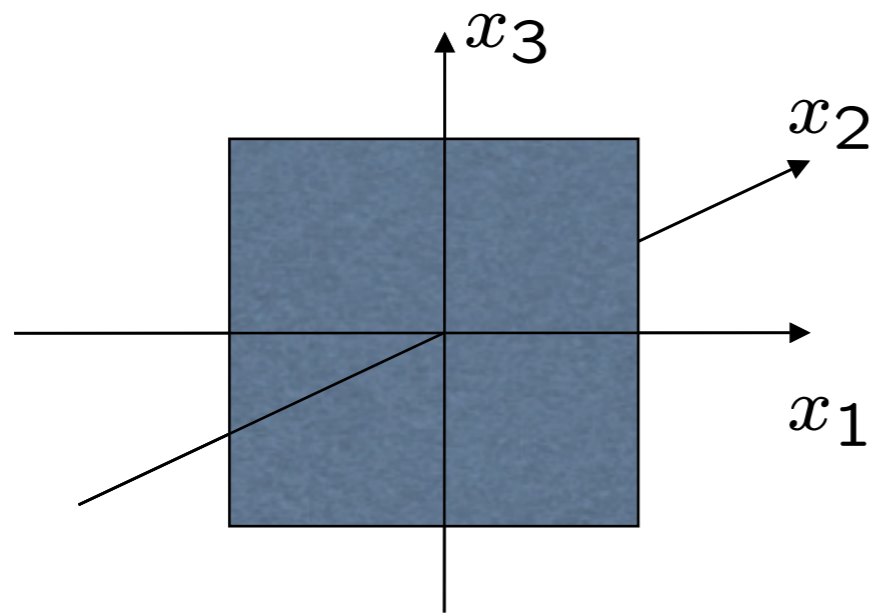
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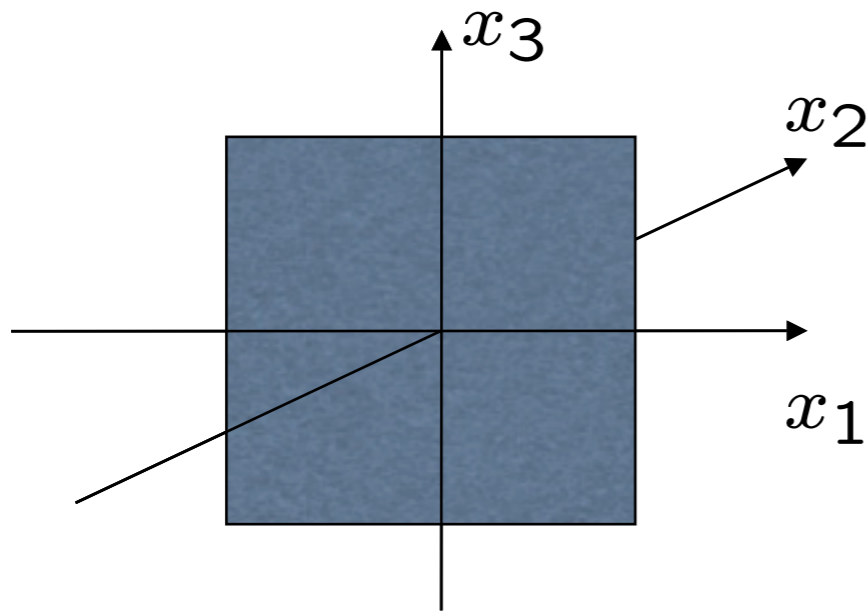
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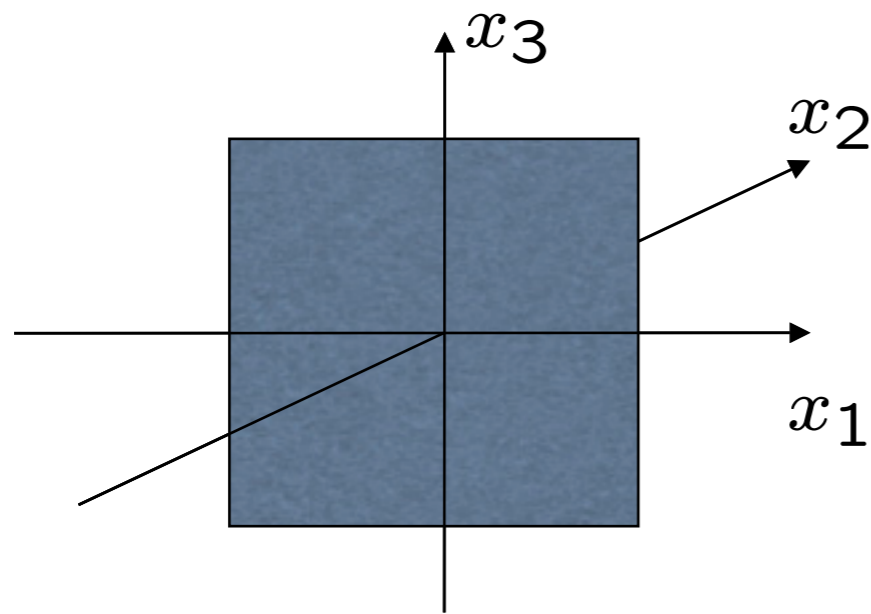
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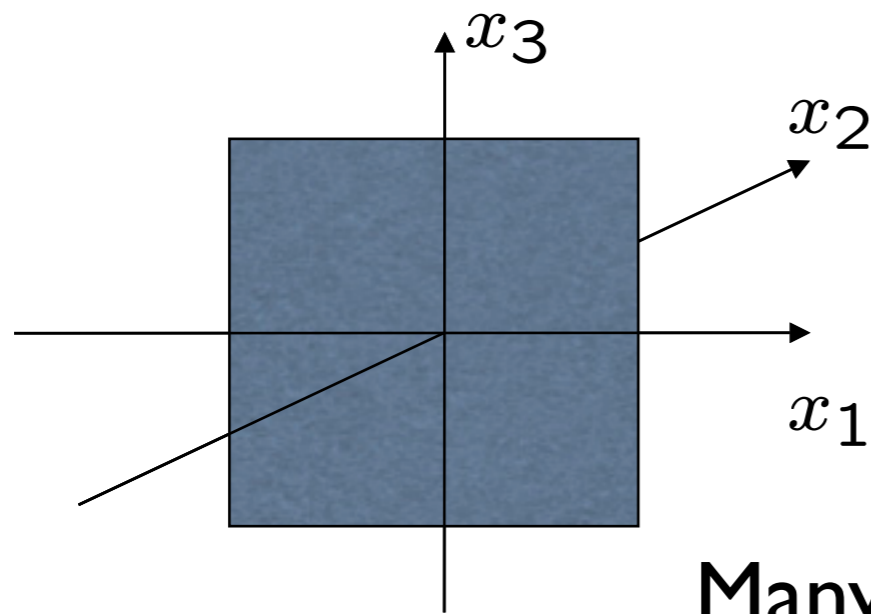
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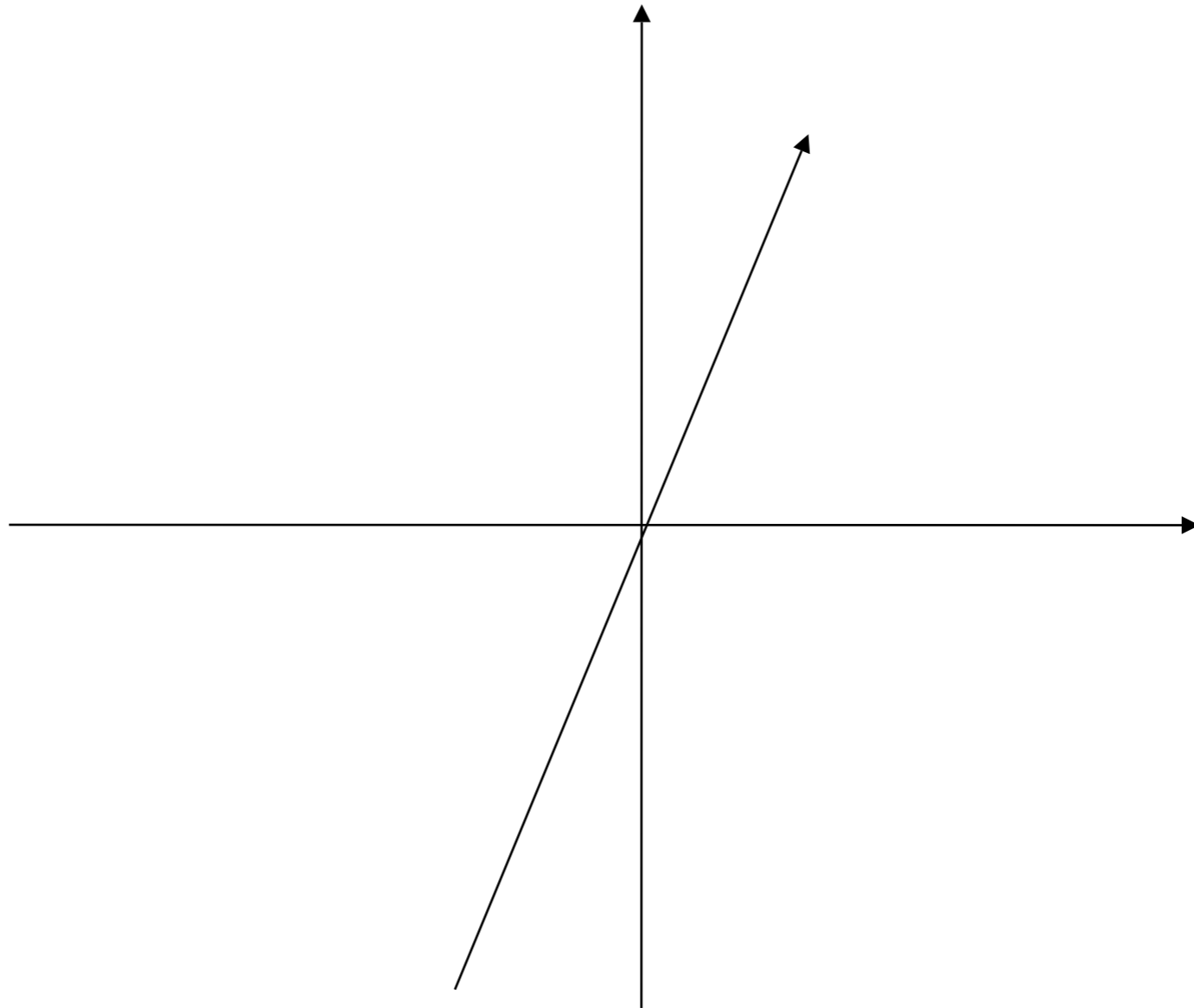
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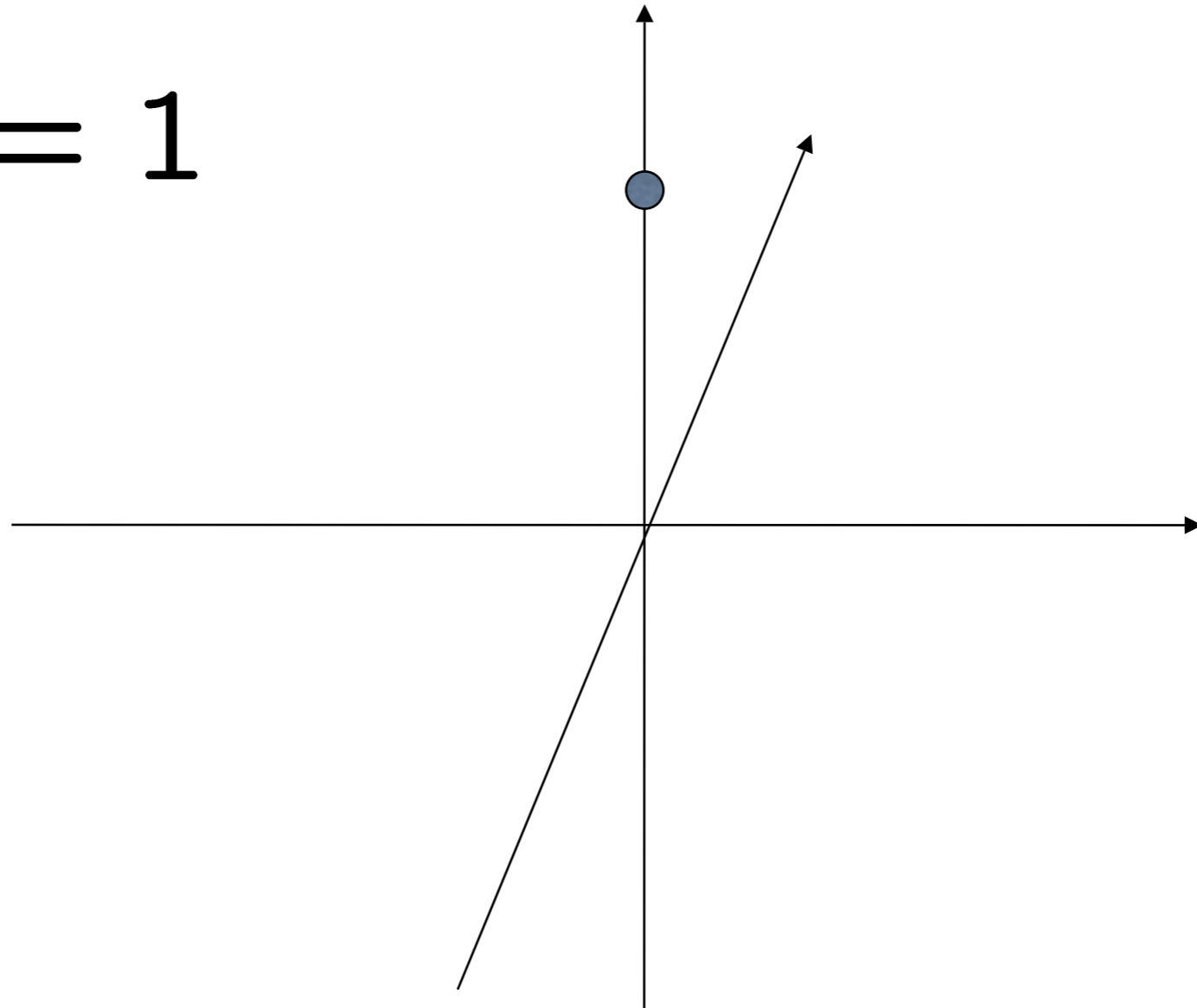


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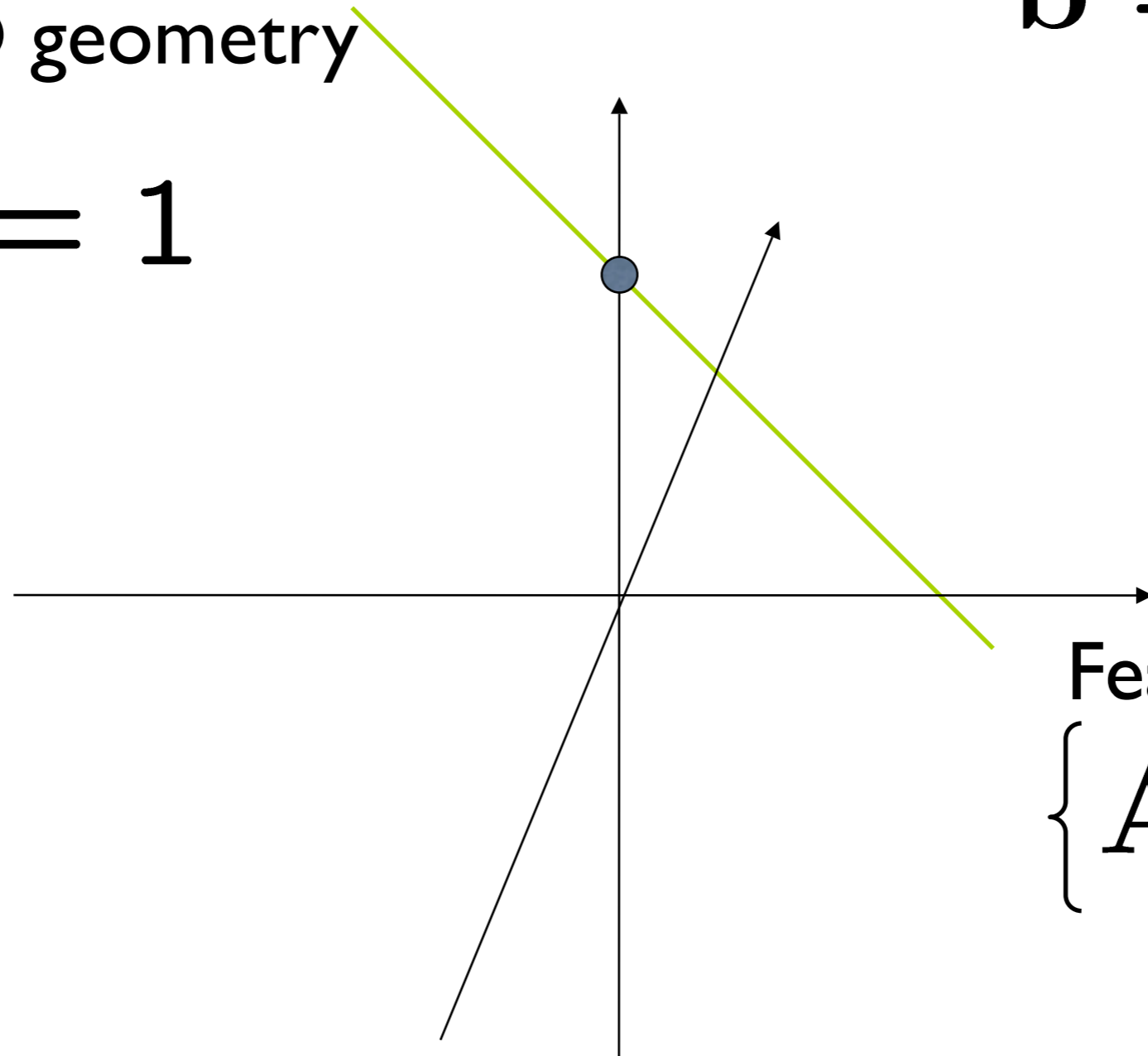


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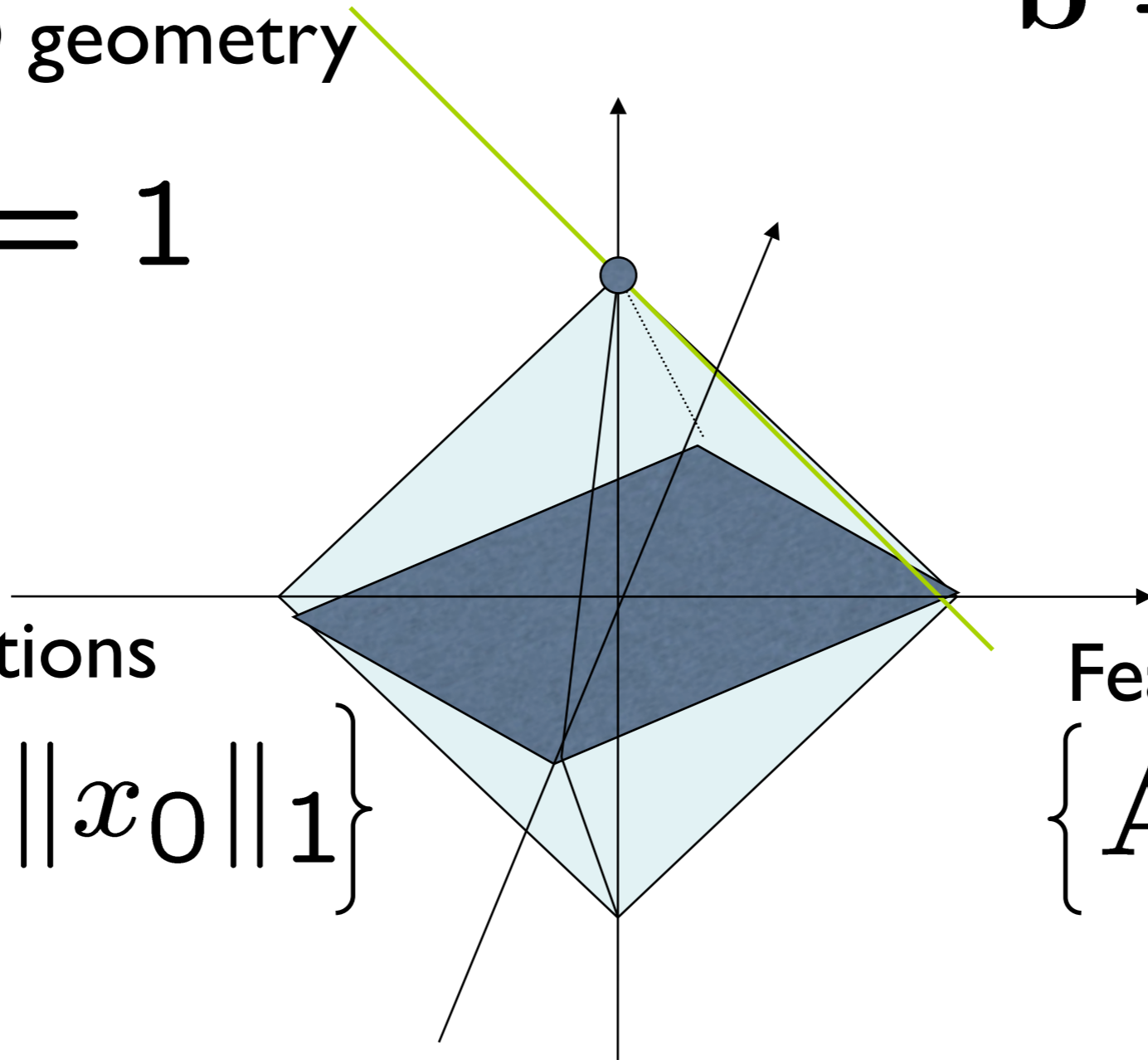
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Sparse solutions

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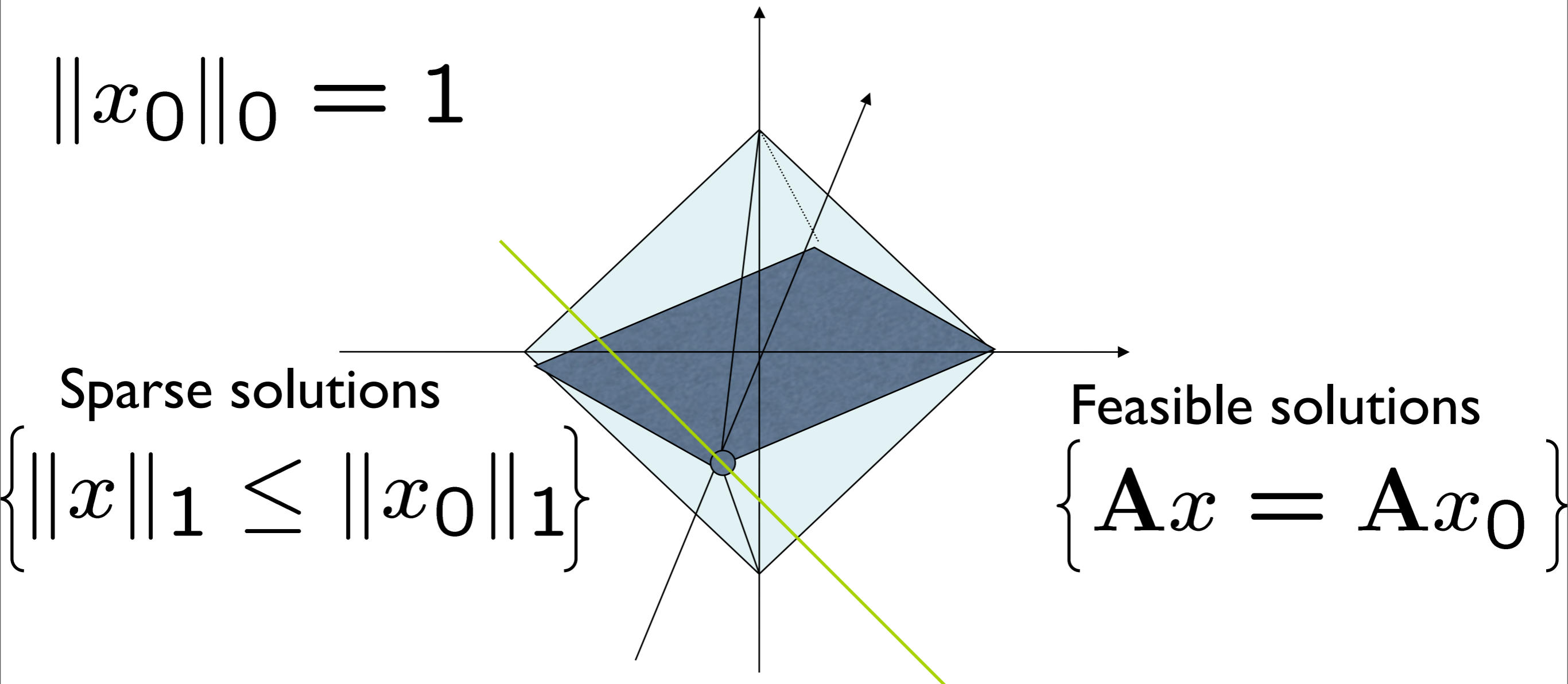


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- Some 3D geometry

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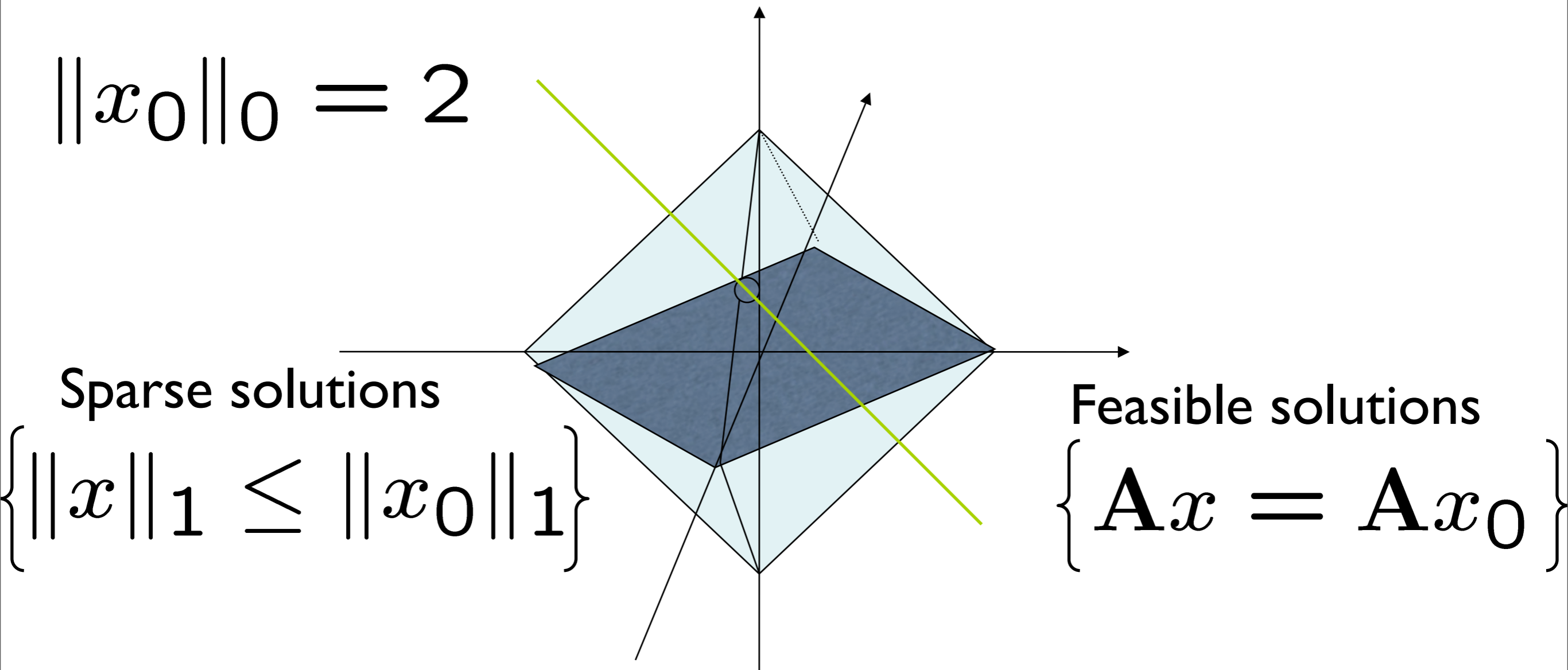


Recovery with Basis Pursuit

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Sparse solutions

$$\left\{ \|x\|_1 \leq \|x_0\|_1 \right\}$$

Feasible solutions

$$\left\{ \mathbf{A}x = \mathbf{A}x_0 \right\}$$

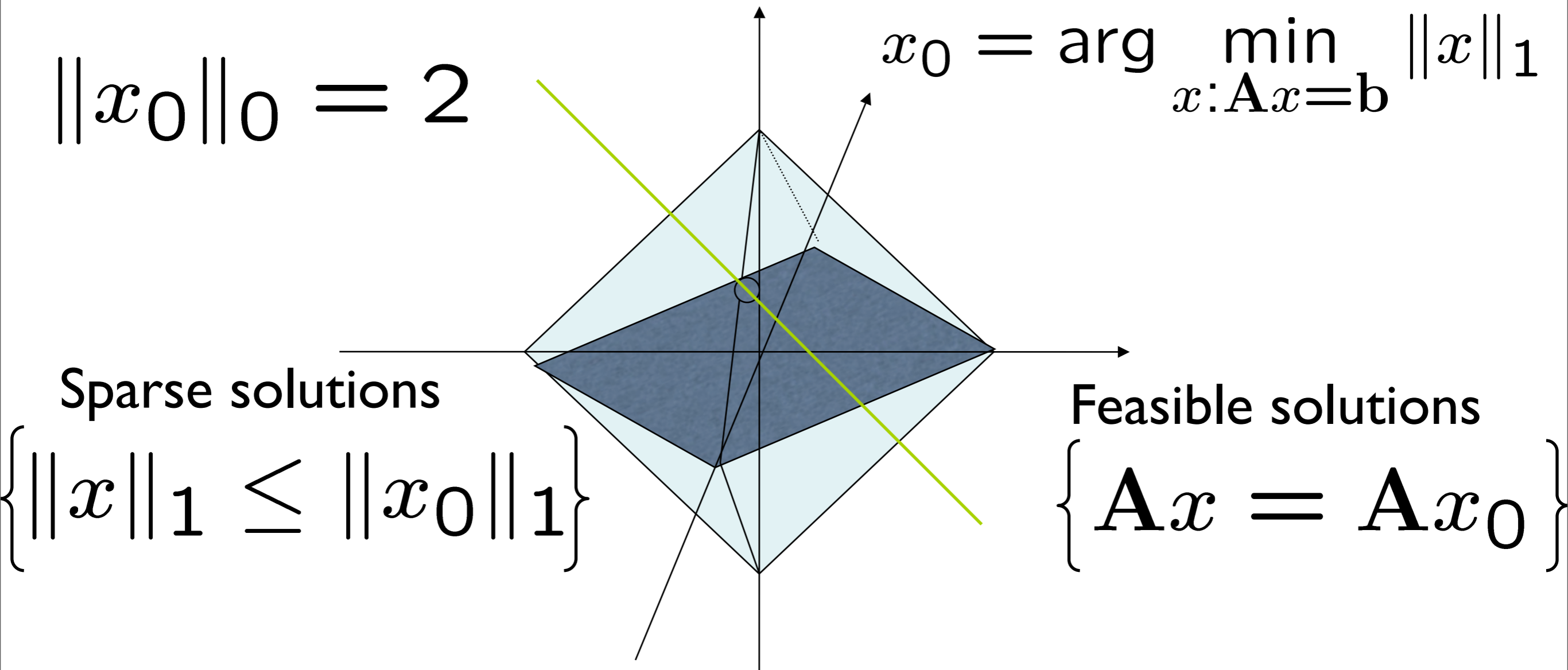
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$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}x_0$$

- Some 3D geometry

$$\|x_0\|_0 = 2$$

$$x_0 = \arg \min_{x: \mathbf{A}x = \mathbf{b}} \|x\|_1$$



Sparse solutions

Feasible solutions

$$\{\|x\|_1 \leq \|x_0\|_1\}$$

$$\{\mathbf{A}x = \mathbf{A}x_0\}$$

Recovery with Basis Pursuit

- Some 3D geometry

$$\|x_0\|_0 = 3$$

$$b = Ax_0$$

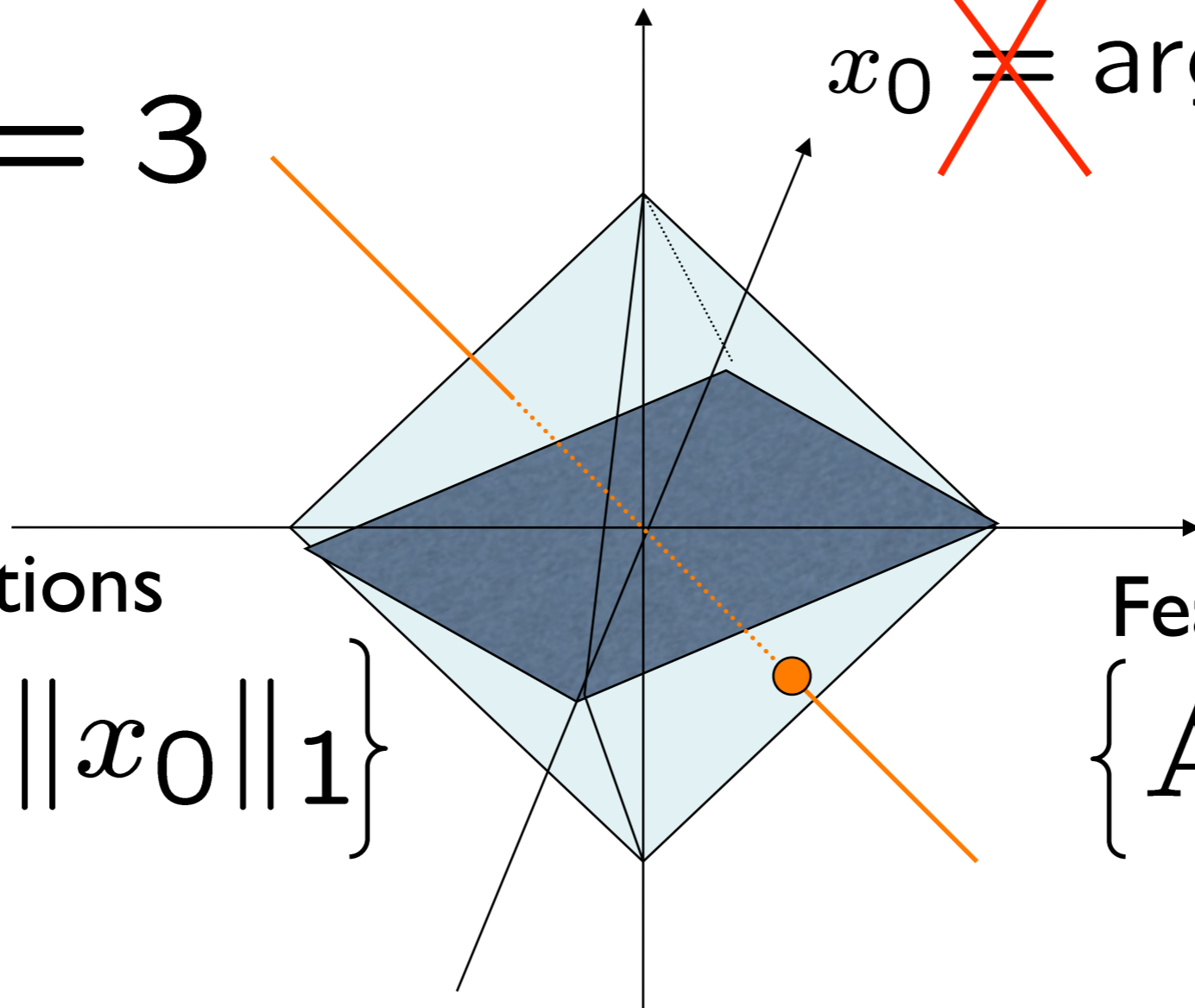
~~$$x_0 = \arg \min_{x: Ax=b} \|x\|_1$$~~

Sparse solutions

$$\left\{ \|x\|_1 \leq \|x_0\|_1 \right\}$$

Feasible solutions

$$\left\{ Ax = Ax_0 \right\}$$



Equivalence between L0, L1, OMP

• **Theorem** : assume that $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}x_0$

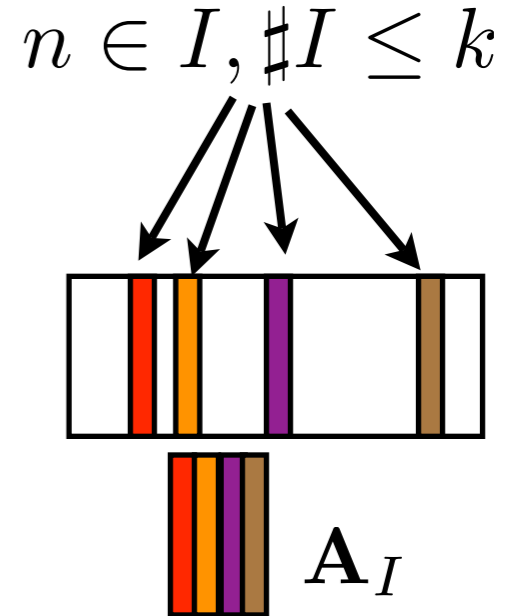
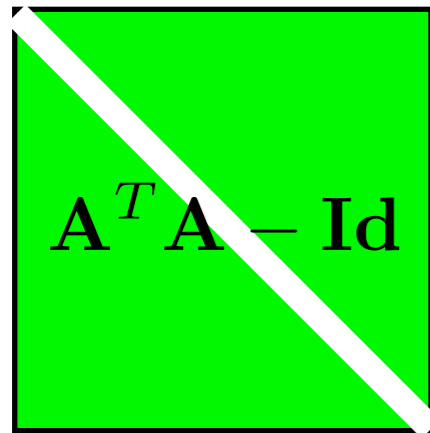
♦ if $\|x_0\|_0 \leq k_0(\mathbf{A})$ then $x_0 = x_0^\star$

♦ if $\|x_0\|_0 \leq k_1(\mathbf{A})$ then $x_0 = x_1^\star$

where $x_p^\star = \arg \min_{\mathbf{A}x = \mathbf{A}x_0} \|x\|_p$

- Donoho & Huo 01 : pair of bases, coherence
- Donoho & Elad, Gribonval & Nielsen 2003 : dictionary, coherence
- Tropp 2004 : Orthonormal Matching Pursuit, cumulative coherence
- Candes, Romberg, Tao 2004 : random dictionaries, restricted isometry constants

State of the art tools to estimate $k_p(\mathbf{A})$



N unit columns

$$\|\mathbf{A}_n\|_2 = 1$$

max over $N(N-1)$ entries

max over $\frac{N!}{k!(N-k)!}$ subsets I

$$\mu = \mu(\mathbf{A}) := \max_{k \neq l} |\langle \mathbf{A}_k, \mathbf{A}_l \rangle|$$

$$\delta_k := \sup_{\#I \leq k, c \in \mathbb{R}^k} \left| \frac{\|\mathbf{A}_I c\|_2^2}{\|c\|_2^2} - 1 \right|$$

$$\hat{k}(\mathbf{A}) = (1 + 1/\mu)/2$$

L0-recovery (identifiability)

$$\delta_{2k_0} < 1$$

L1-recovery (identification)

$$\delta_{2k_1} < \sqrt{2} - 1$$

(Cumulative) coherence

Low cost

“Coarse / pessimistic”

Common beliefs

Isometry constants

Hard to compute

“Almost sharp” ?

Compressed sensing

Compressed Sensing

- MRI from incomplete measures

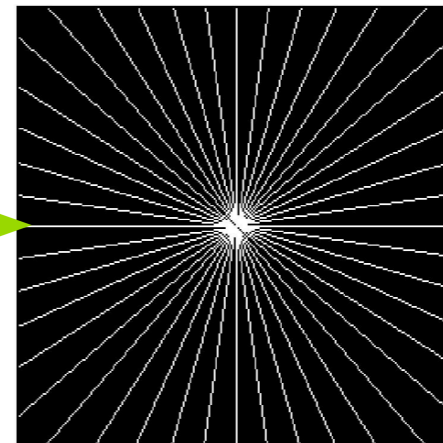
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Not observed

Data

Lossy measurement
= tomography

Measured data
(FFT minus lost data)



$$z = \mathbf{K}y$$

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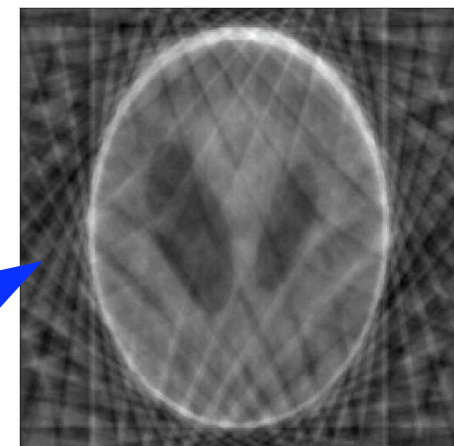
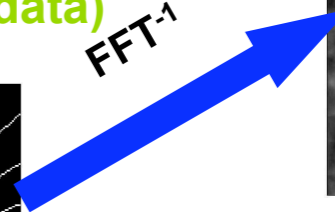
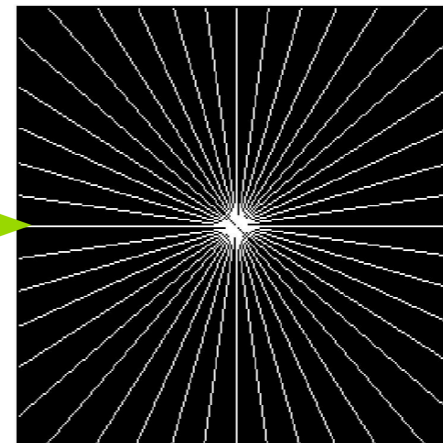
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FFT⁻¹



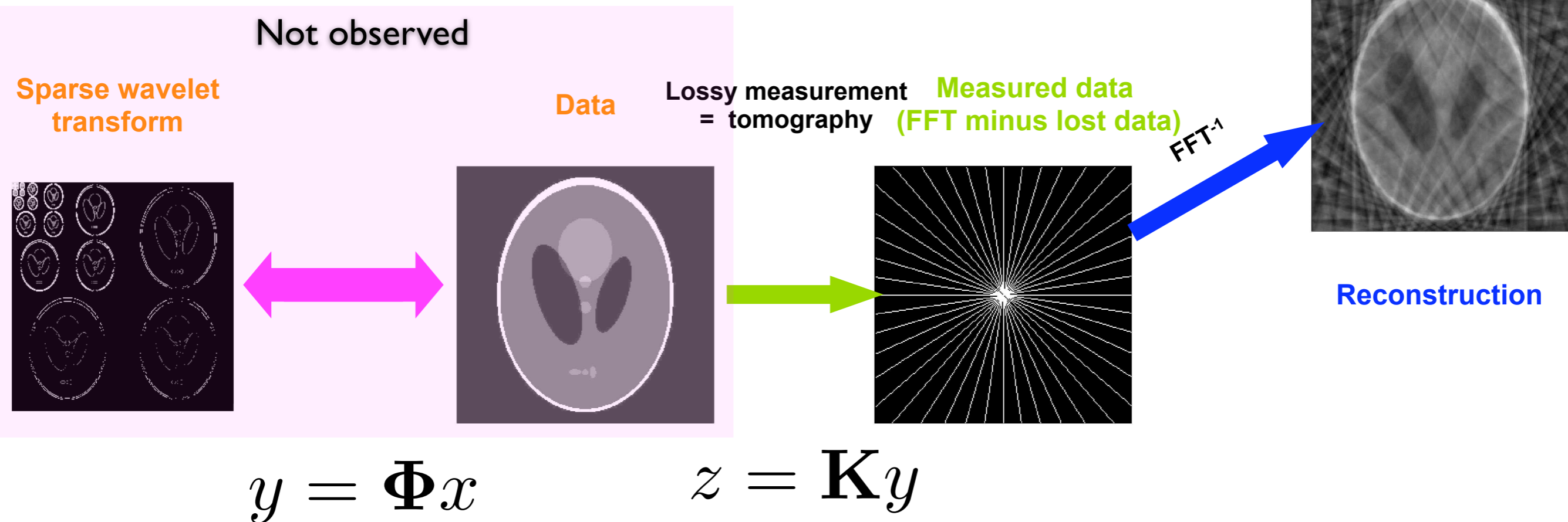
Reconstruction

$$z = \mathbf{K}y$$

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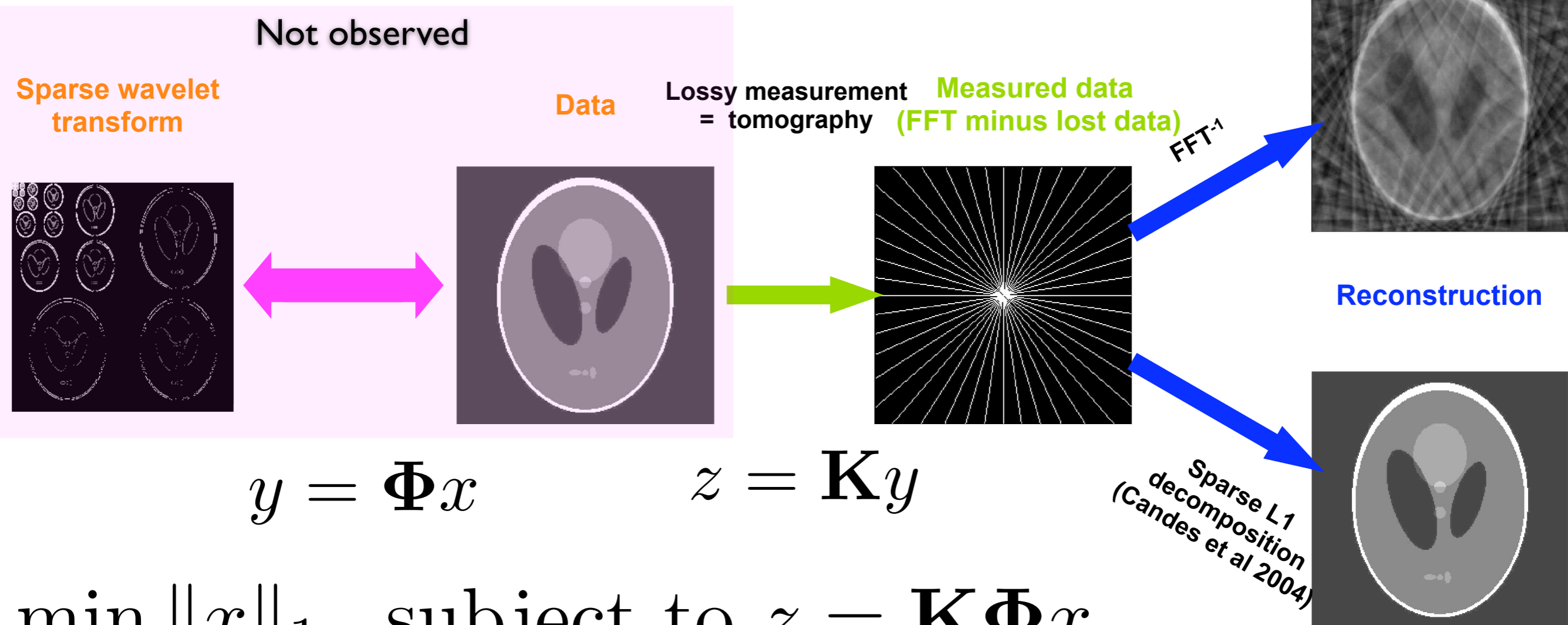
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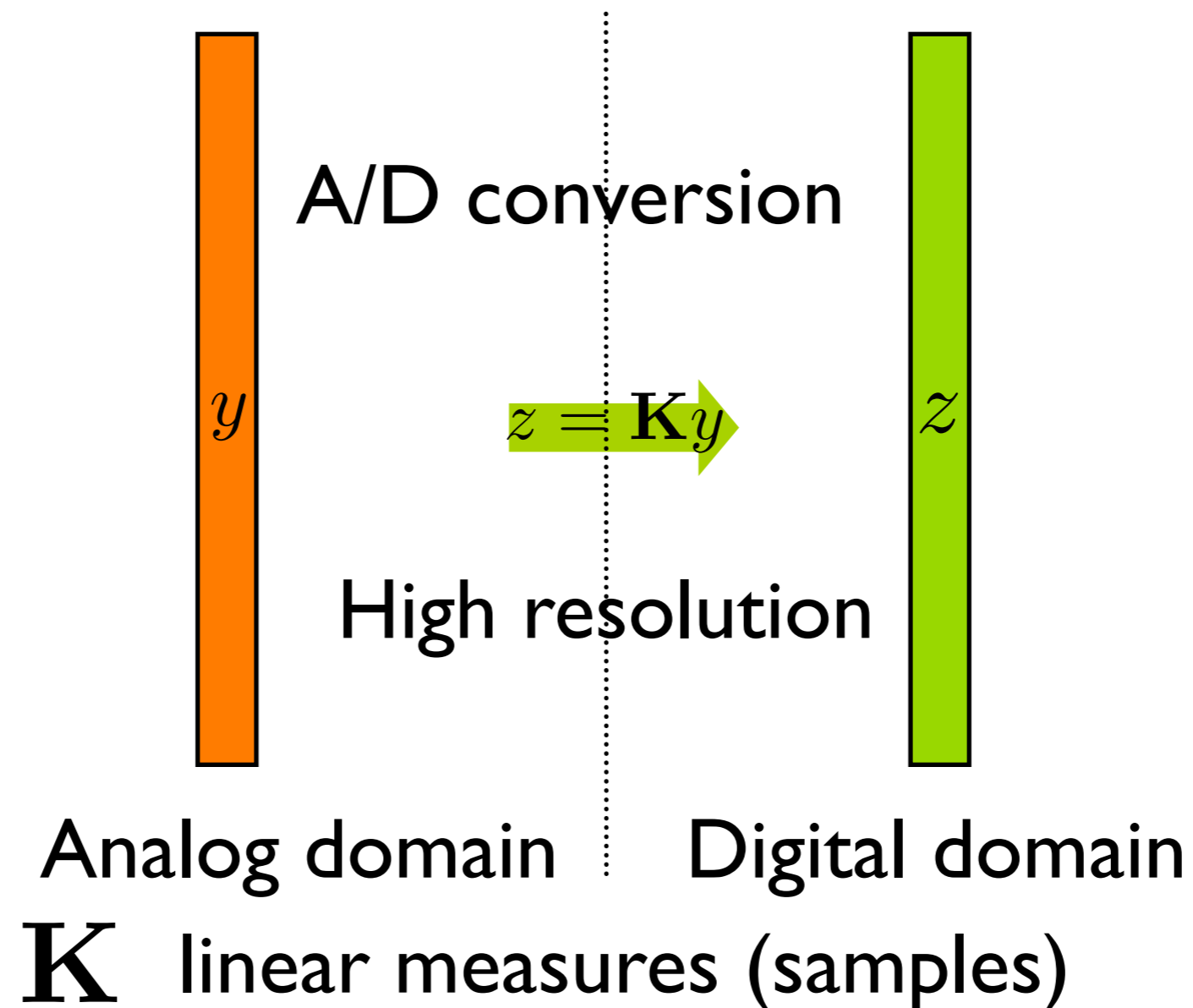
$$y = \Phi x$$

$$z = \mathbf{K}y$$

$$\min \|x\|_1, \text{ subject to } z = \mathbf{K}\Phi x$$

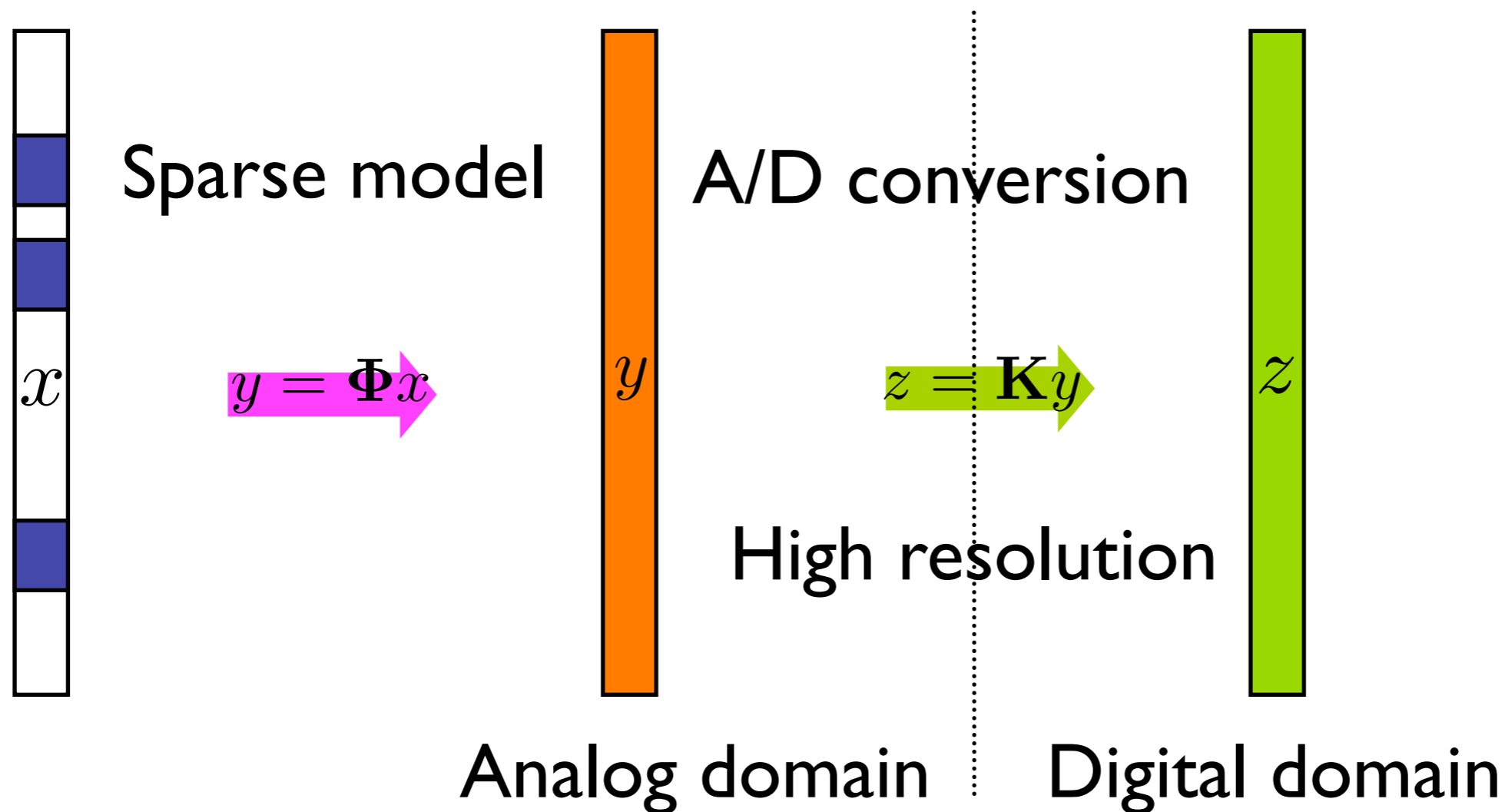
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- « Sample first, think and compress afterwards »



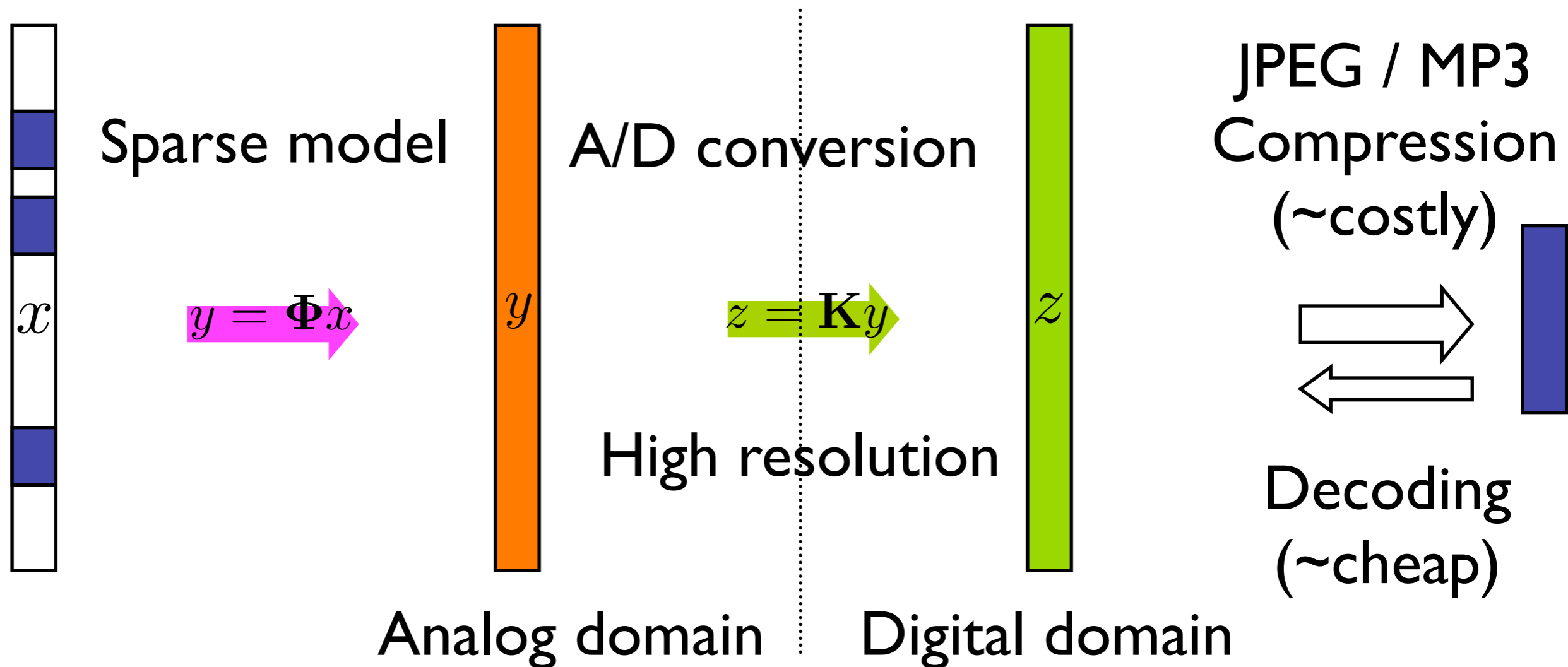
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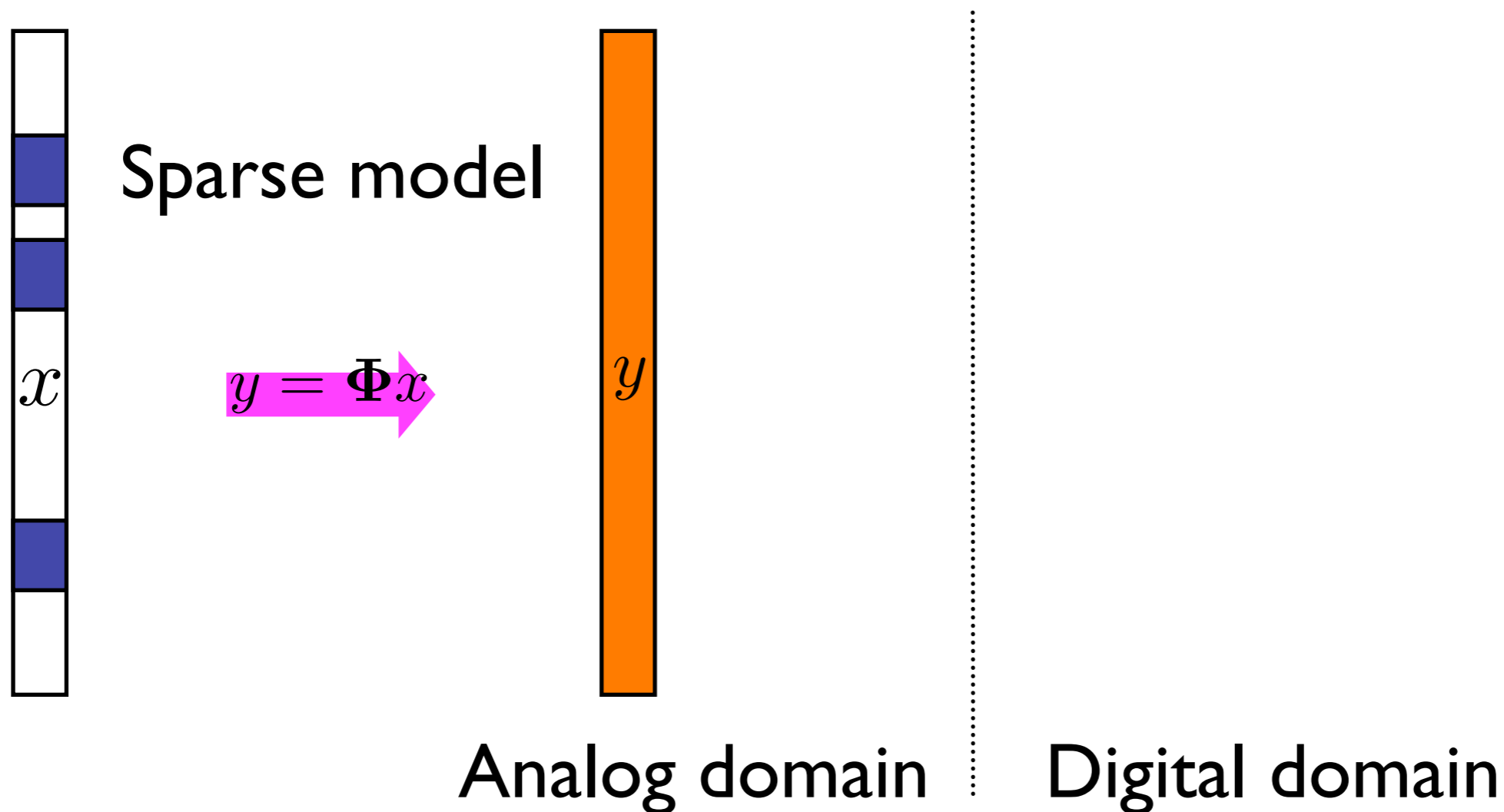
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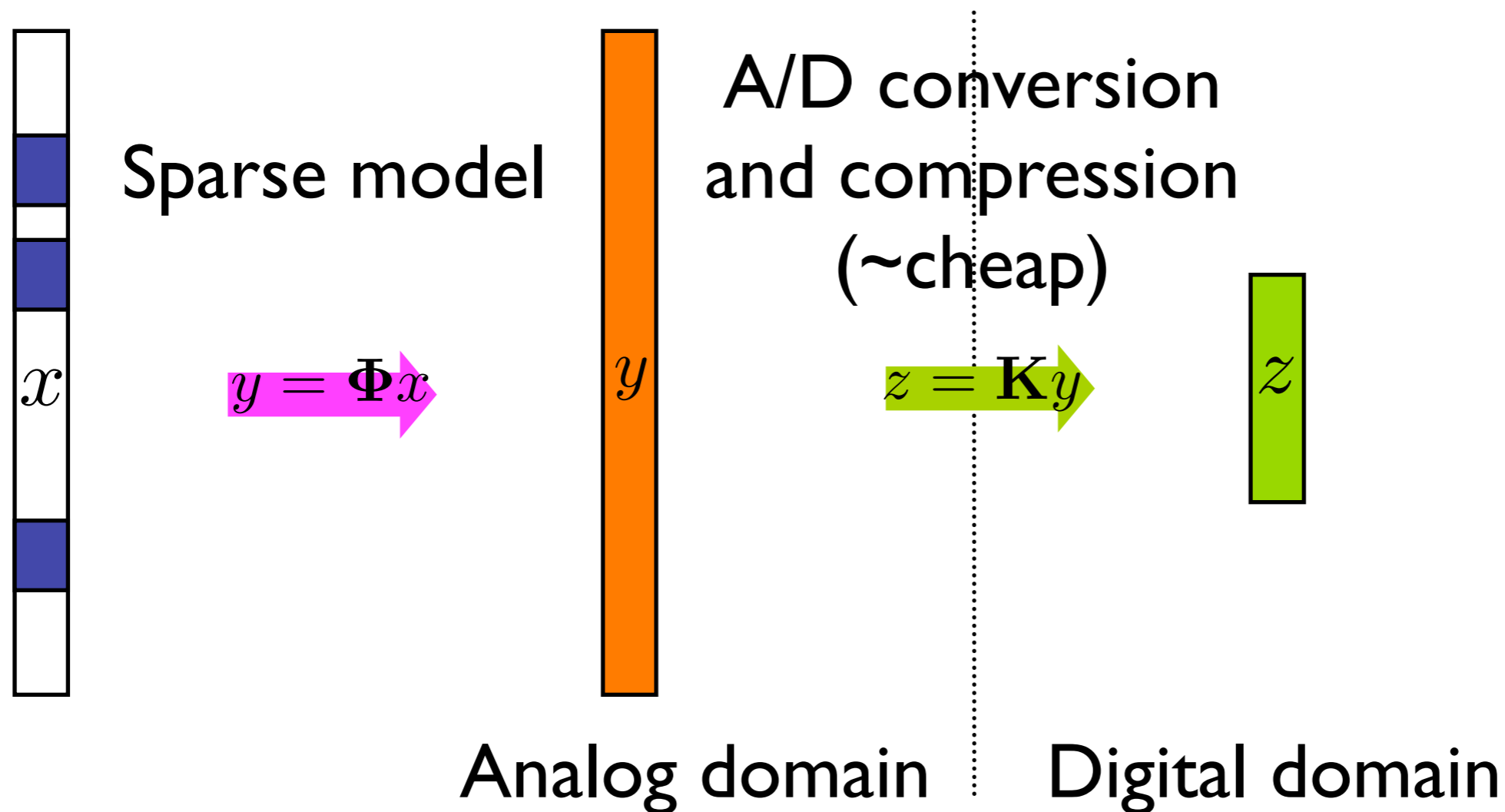
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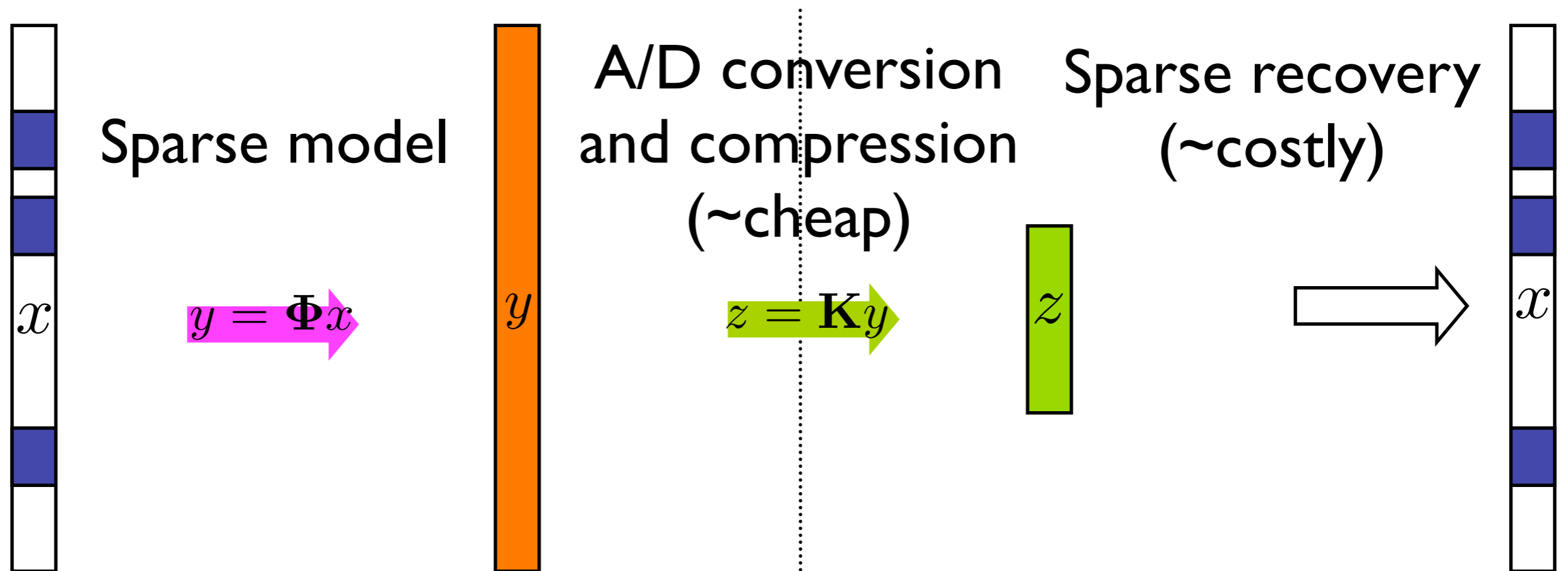
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Analog domain

Digital domain

$$\min \|x\|_1, \text{ subject to } z = \mathbf{K}\Phi x$$

Partial conclusions

- Sparsity helps solve ill-posed inverse problems (more unknowns than equations)
- Sparse approximation is NP-hard but efficient sub-optimal algorithms (*pursuits*) exist
- If there is a sufficiently sparse solution, it is recovered by many of the heuristic algorithms
- This is the fundamental basis underlying the development of compressed sensing

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