

Singular Value Decomposition

Geometric Algorithms
Lecture 26

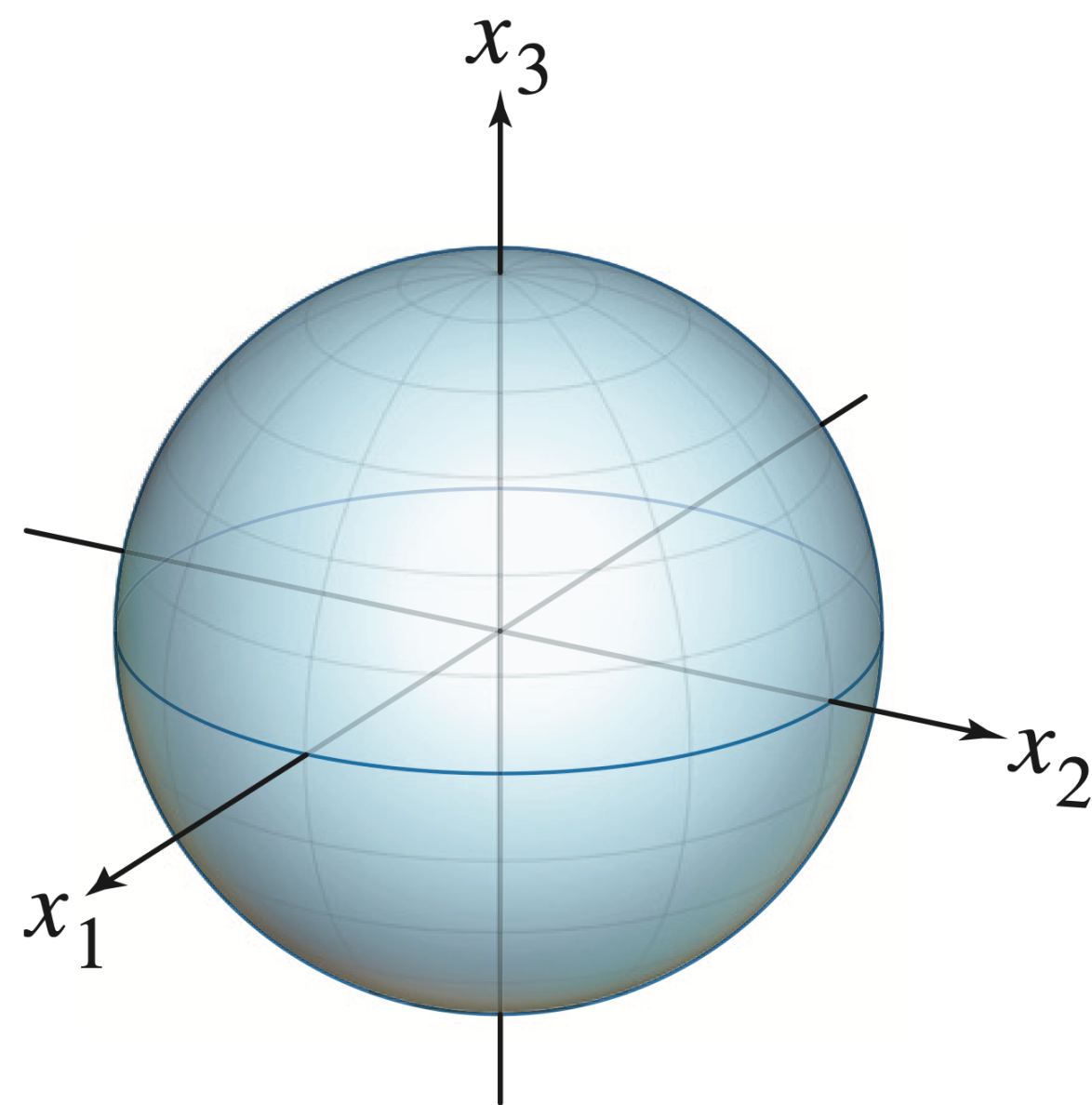
Objectives

1. Introduce the **singular value decomposition**
(probably the most important matrix decomposition for computer science)
2. Talk very briefly about what to do after this course if you want (or have to) to see more linear algebra
3. ~~Fill out course evals(!)~~ Next time

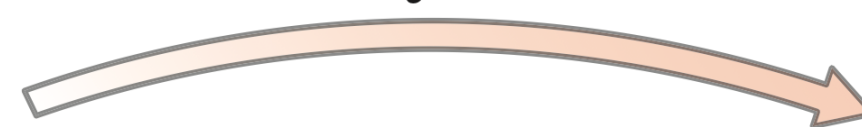
Motivation

Question

What shape is a the unit sphere after a linear transformation?



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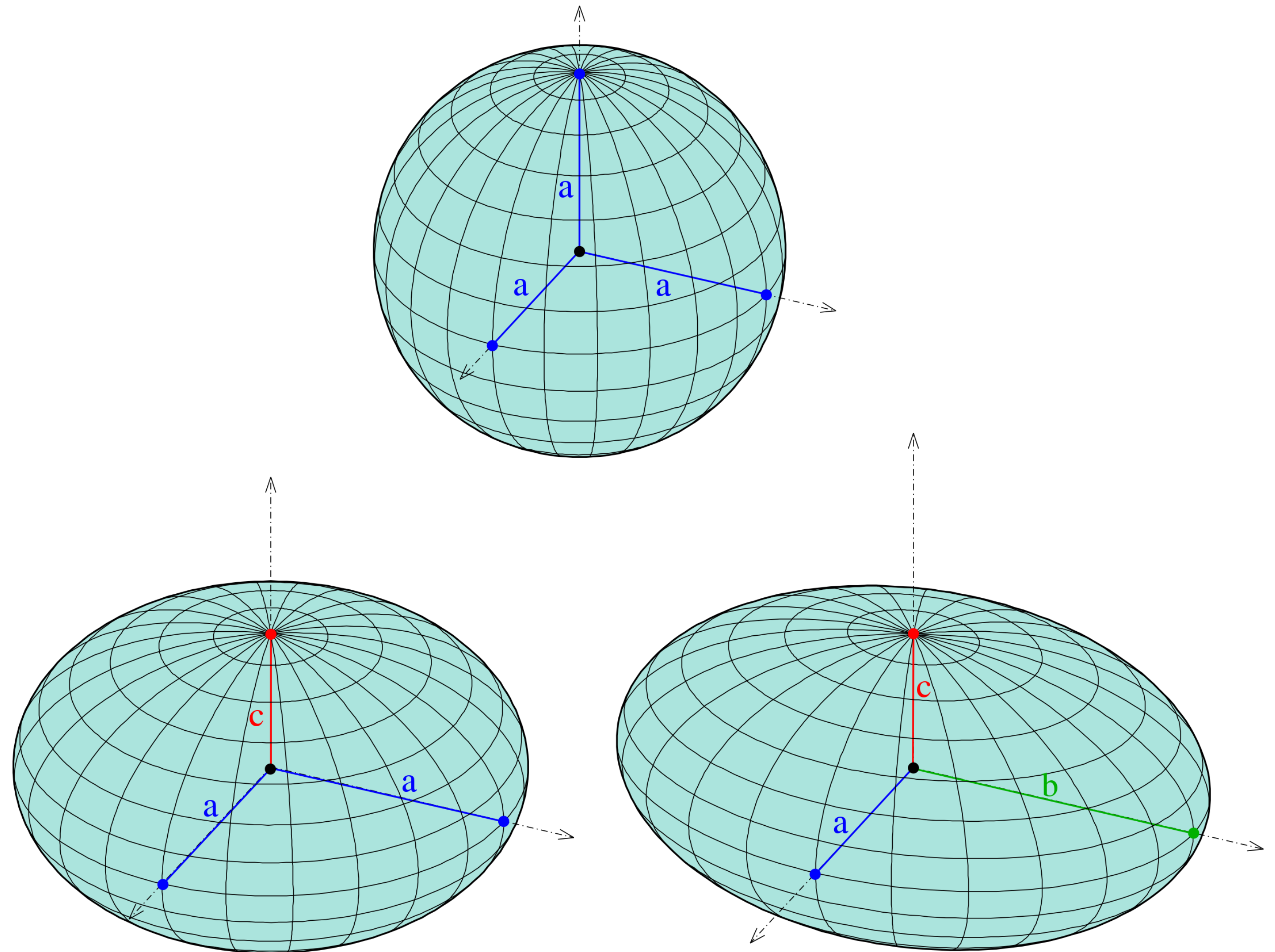


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Ellipsoids

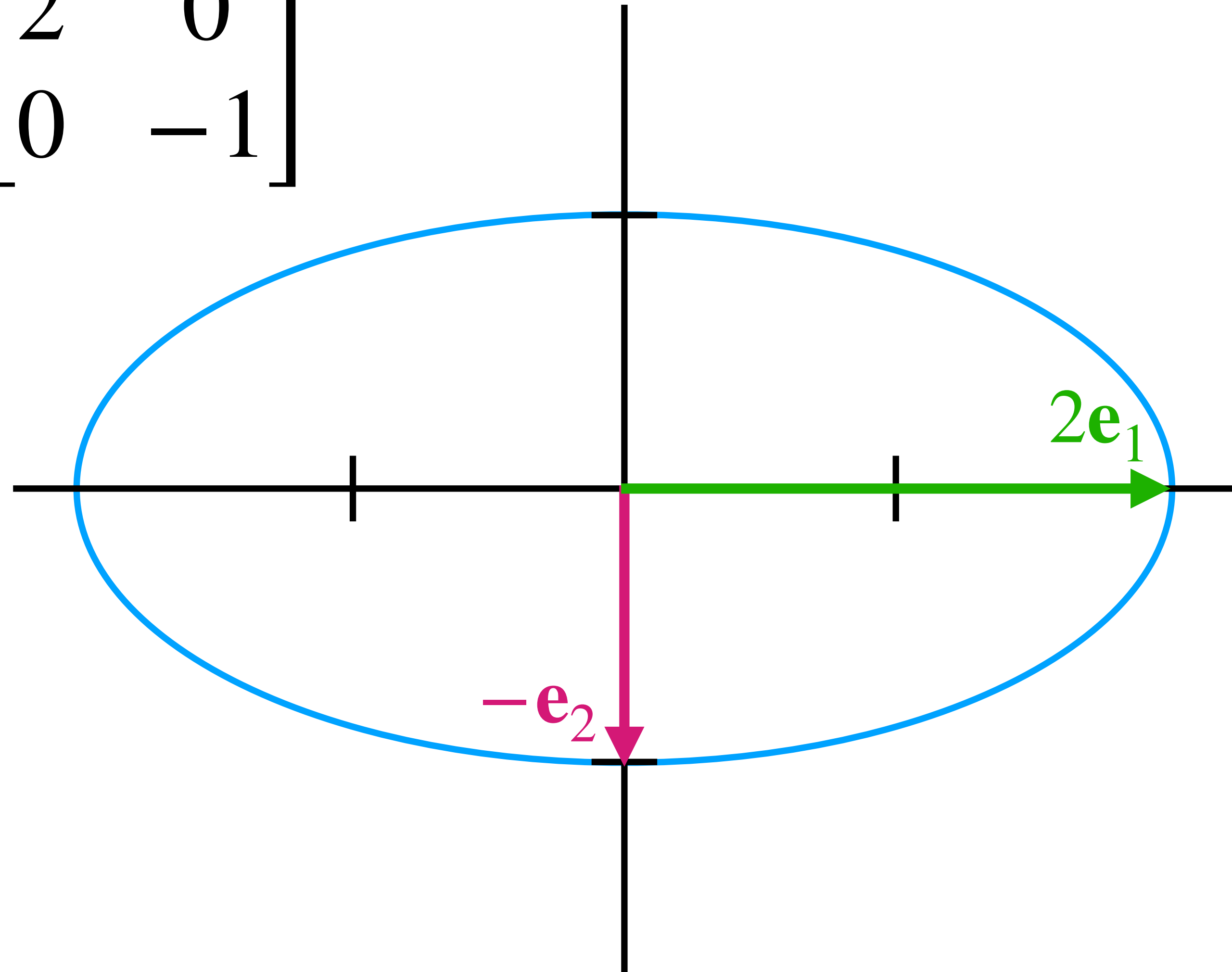
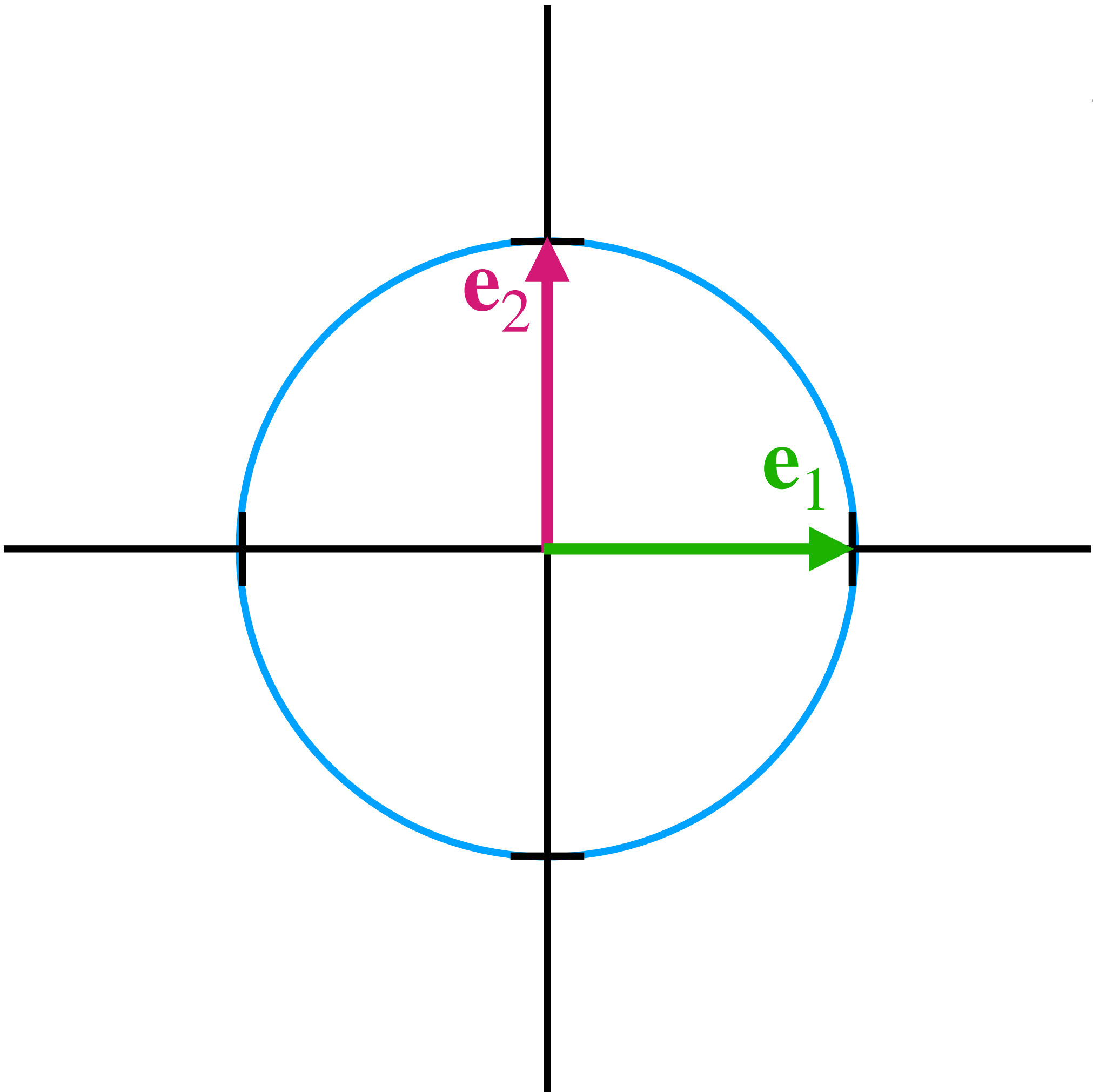
Ellipsoids are spheres "stretched" in orthogonal directions called the **axes of symmetry** or the **principle axes**.

Linear transformations maps spheres to ellipsoids.

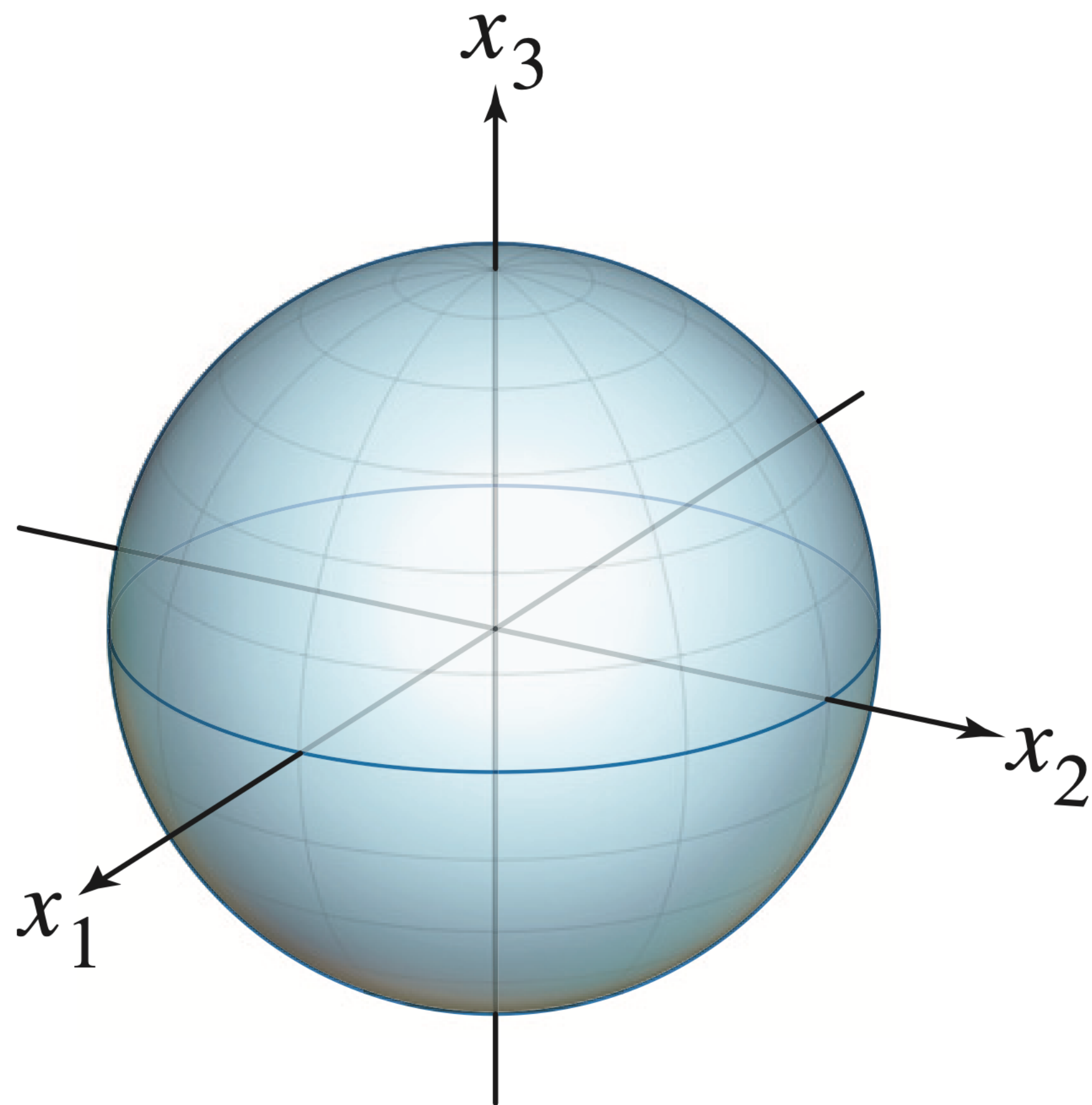


Simple Example : Scaling Matrices

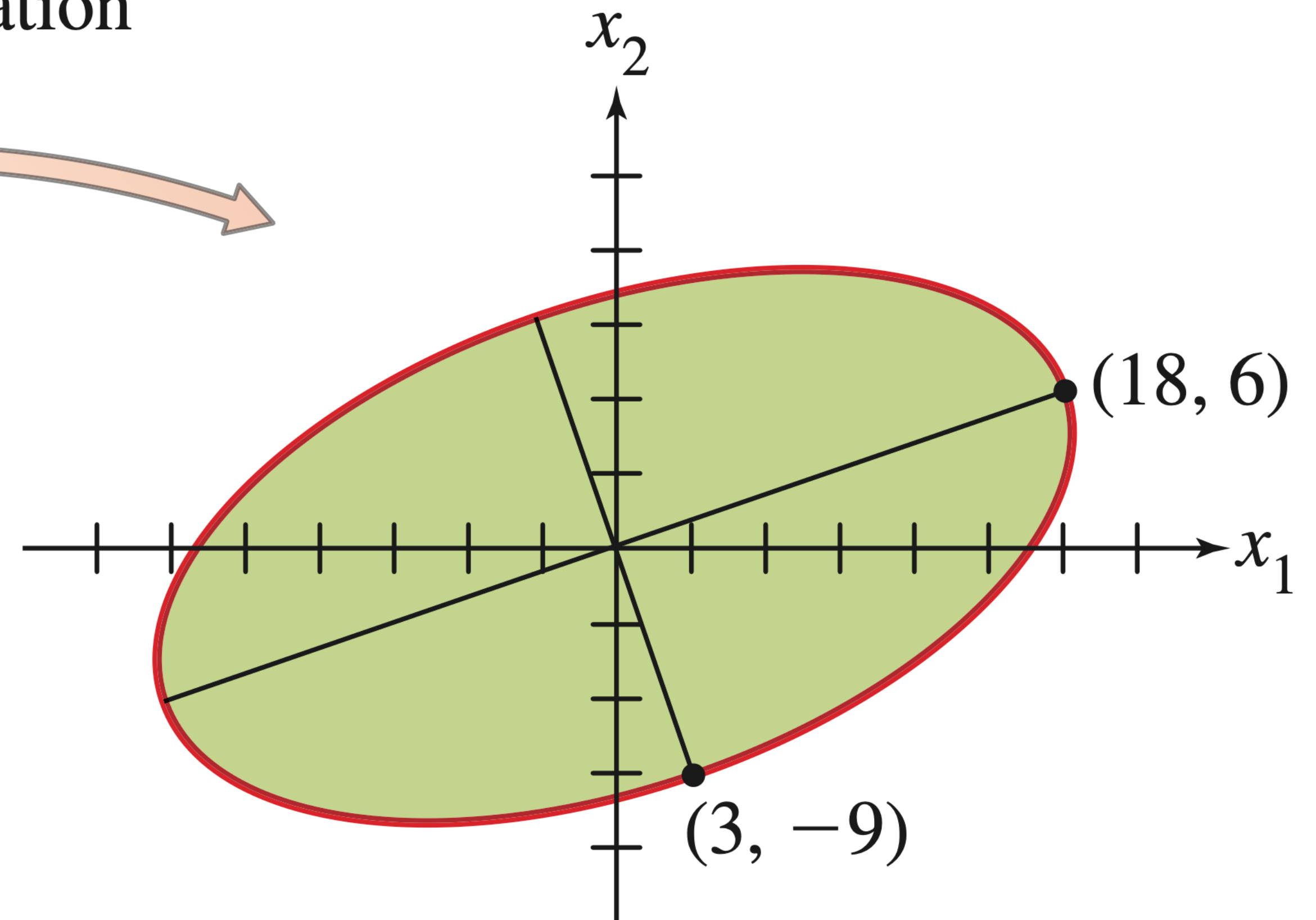
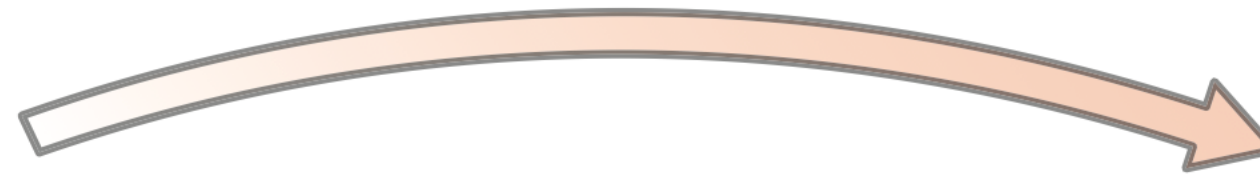
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



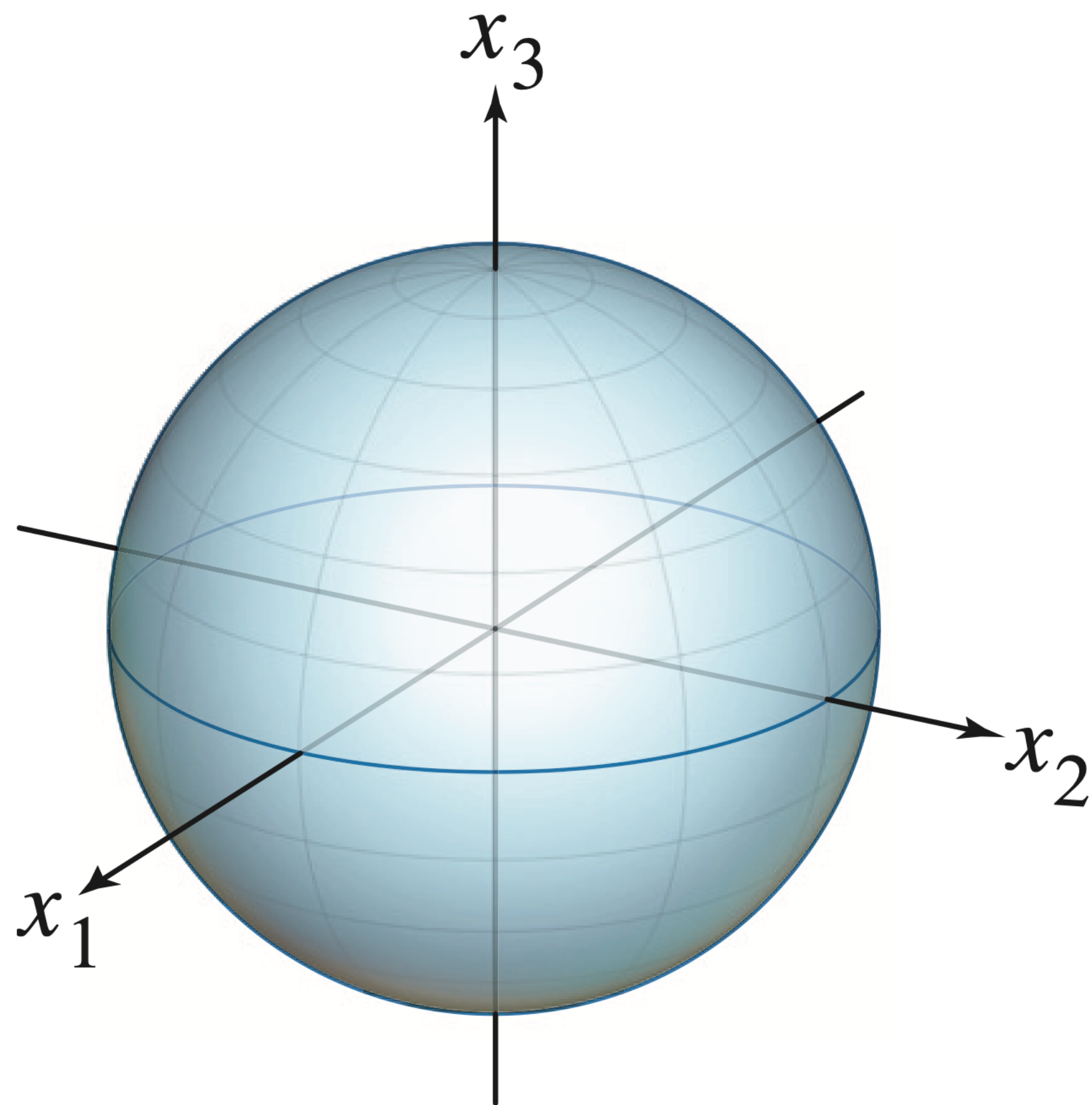
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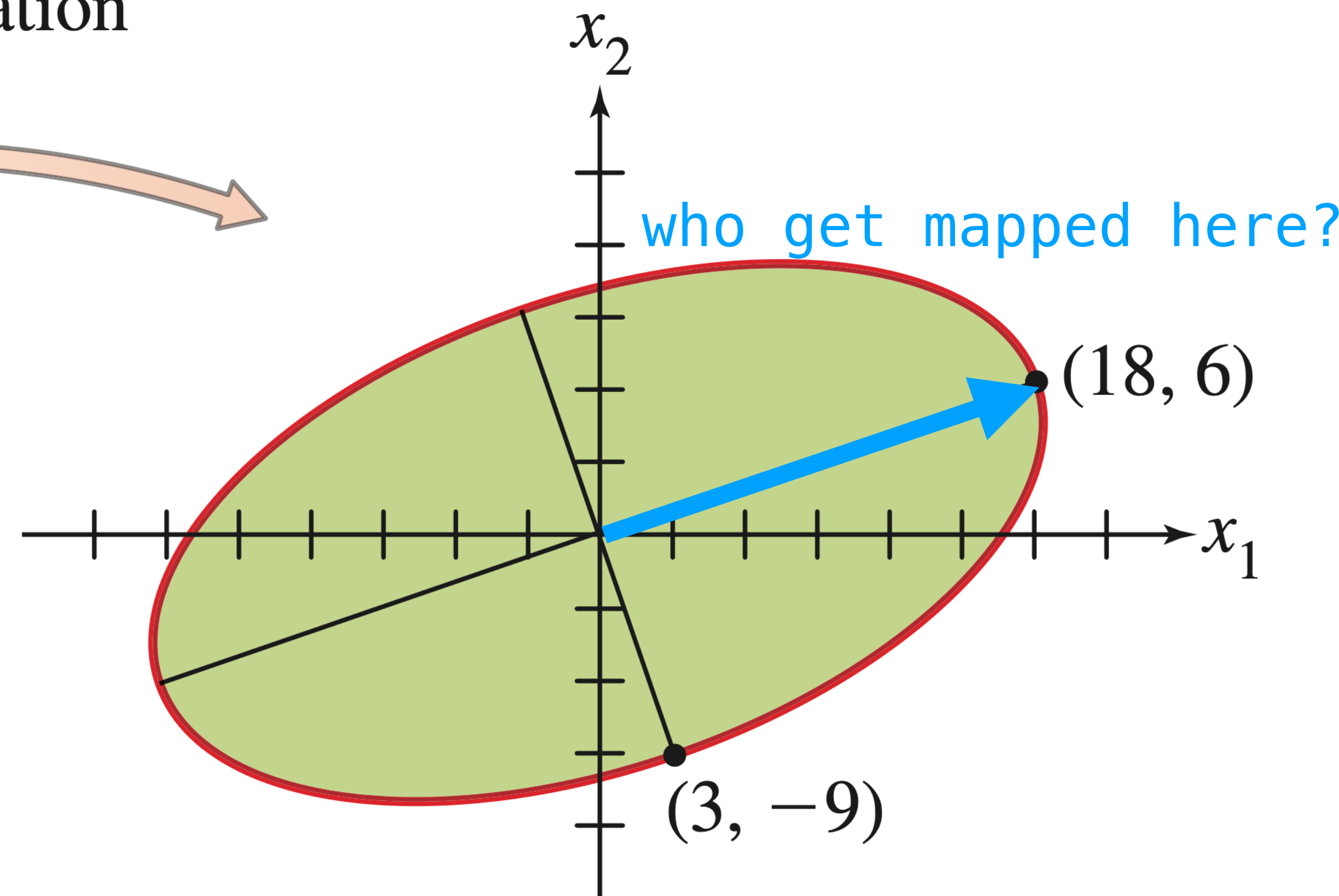
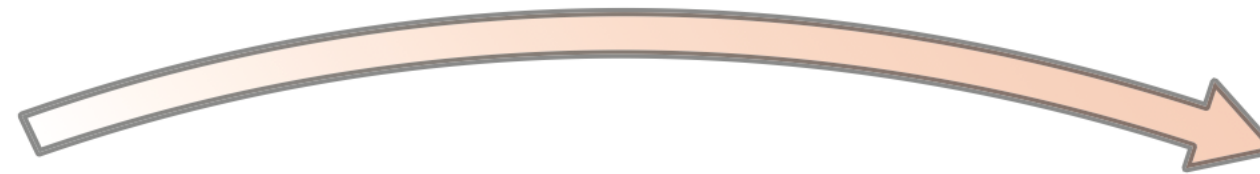
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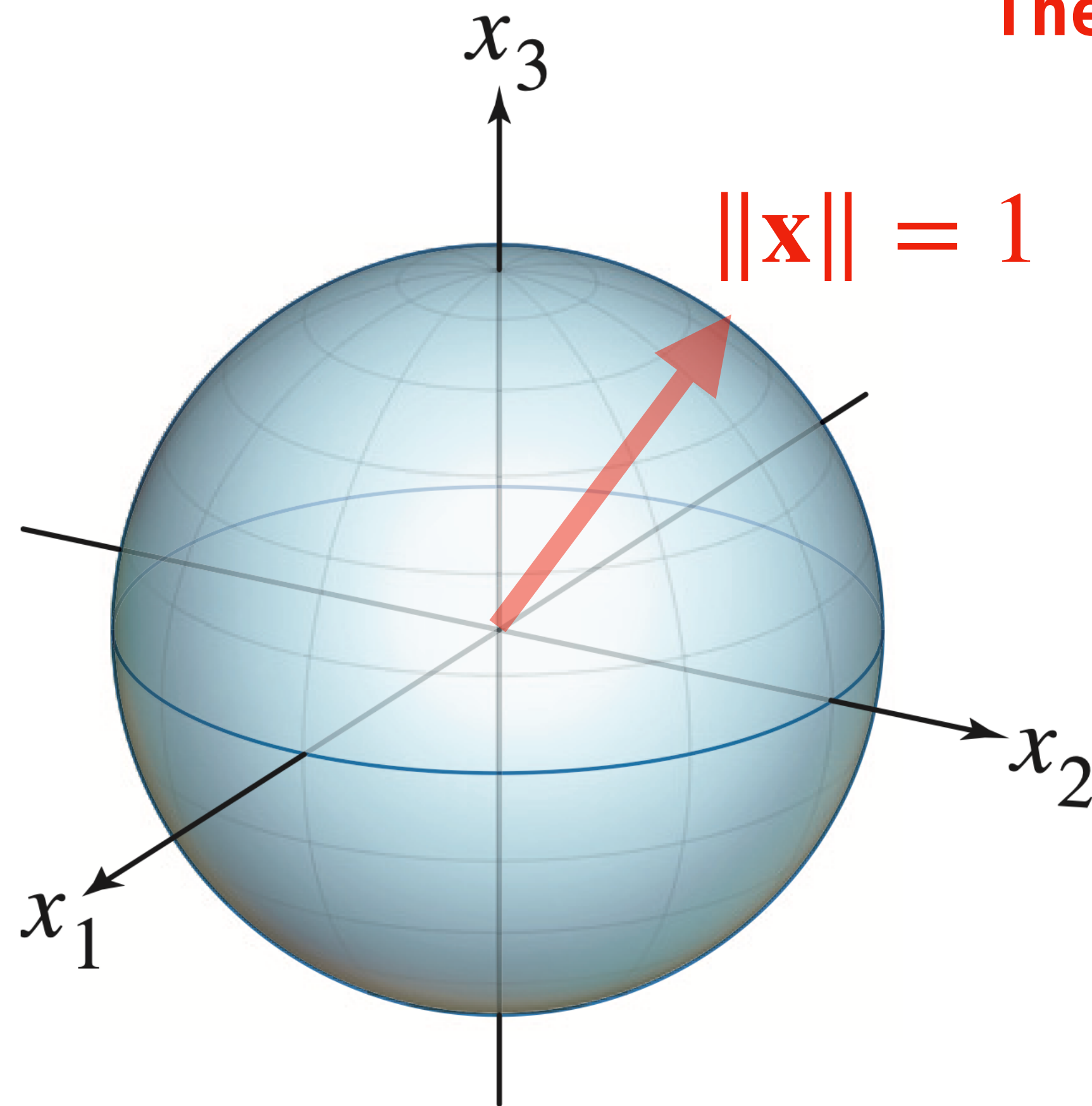


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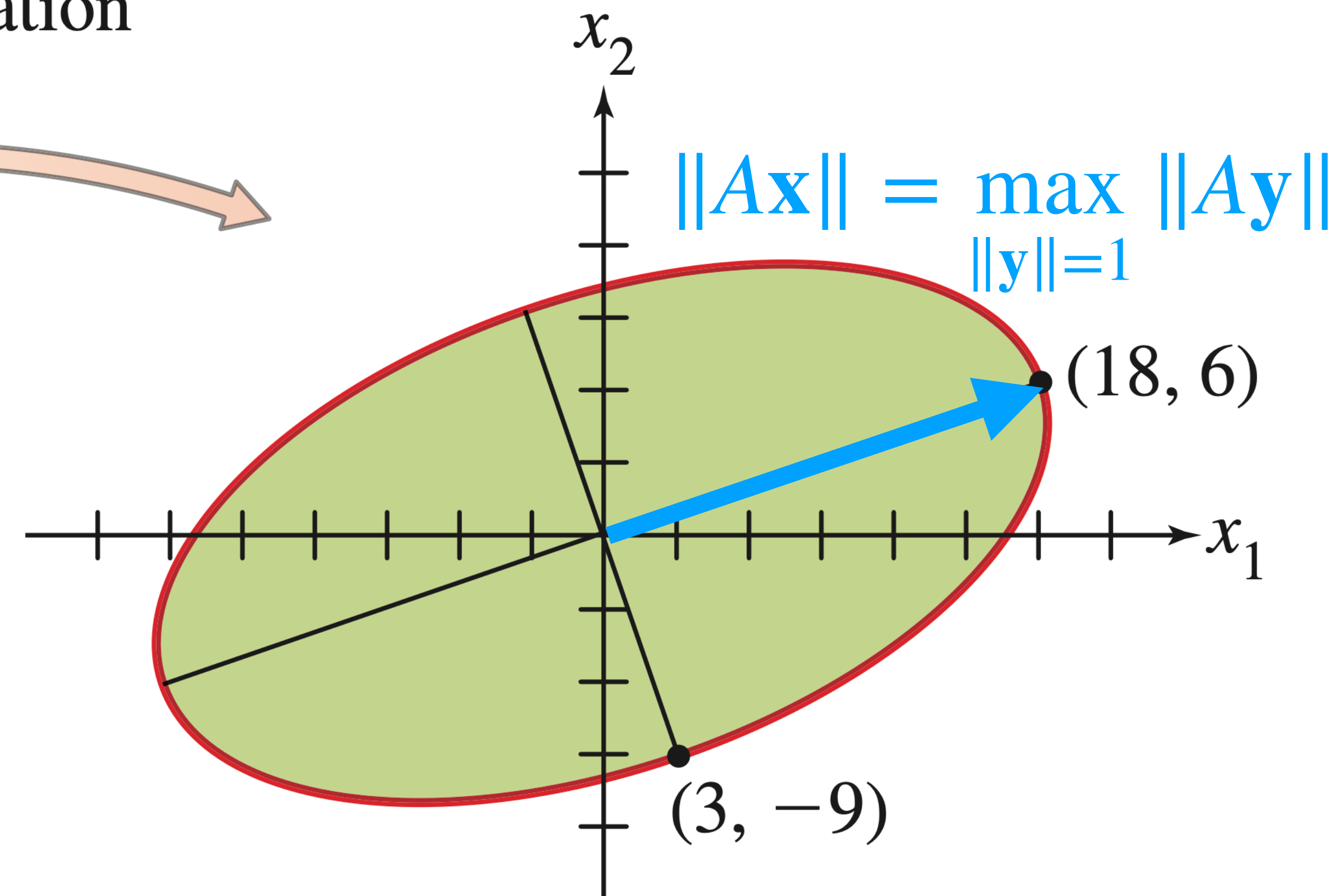
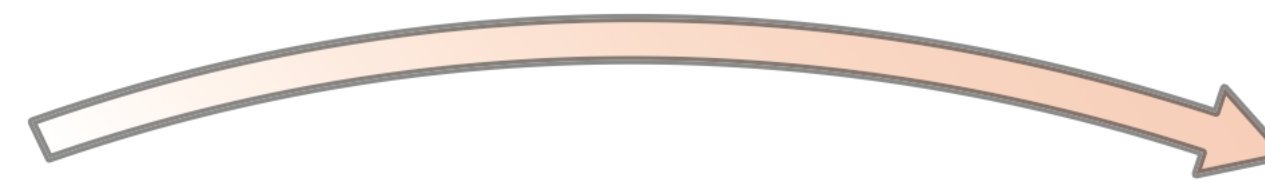


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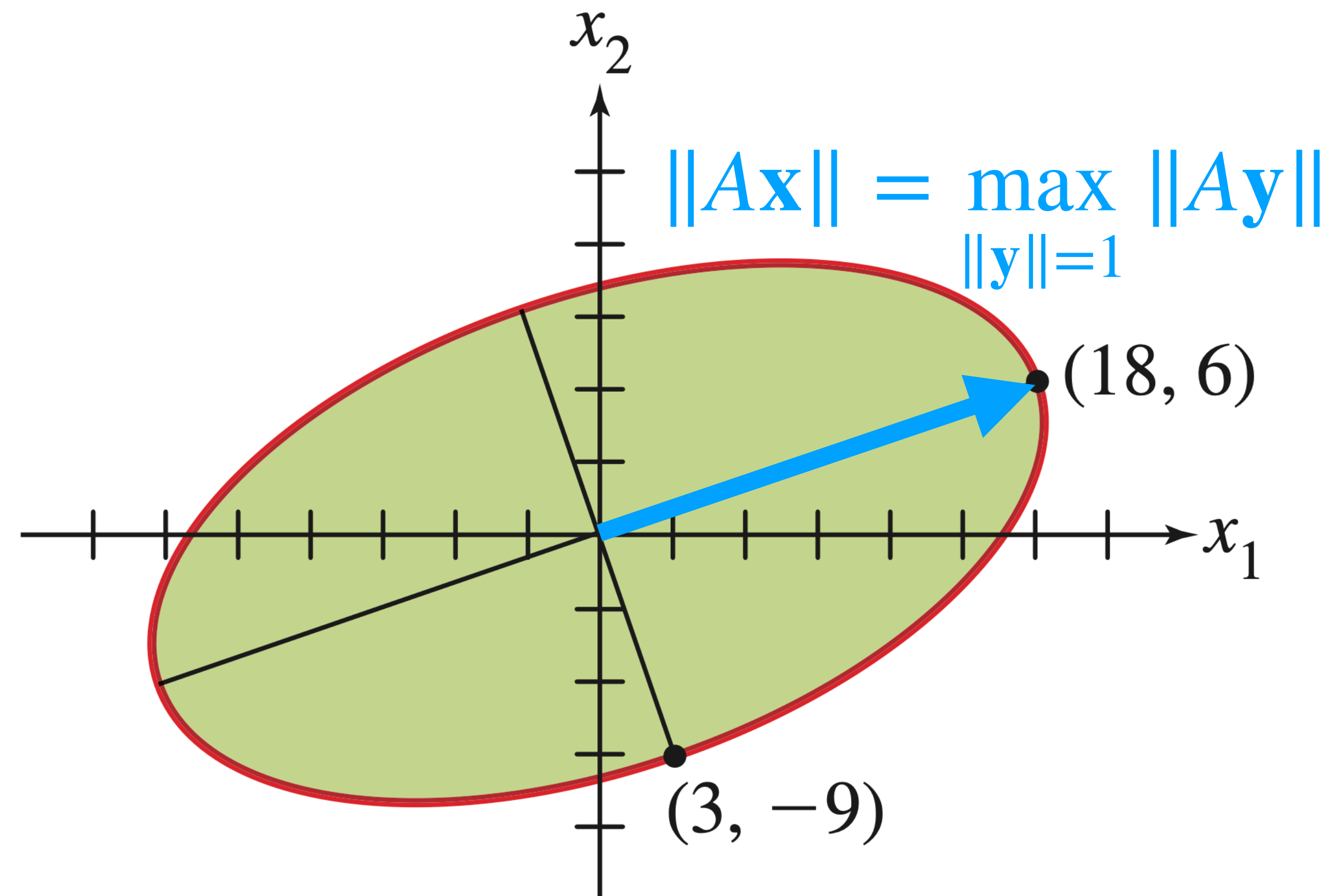
The longest end of the ellipse is the solution to a constrained optimization problem



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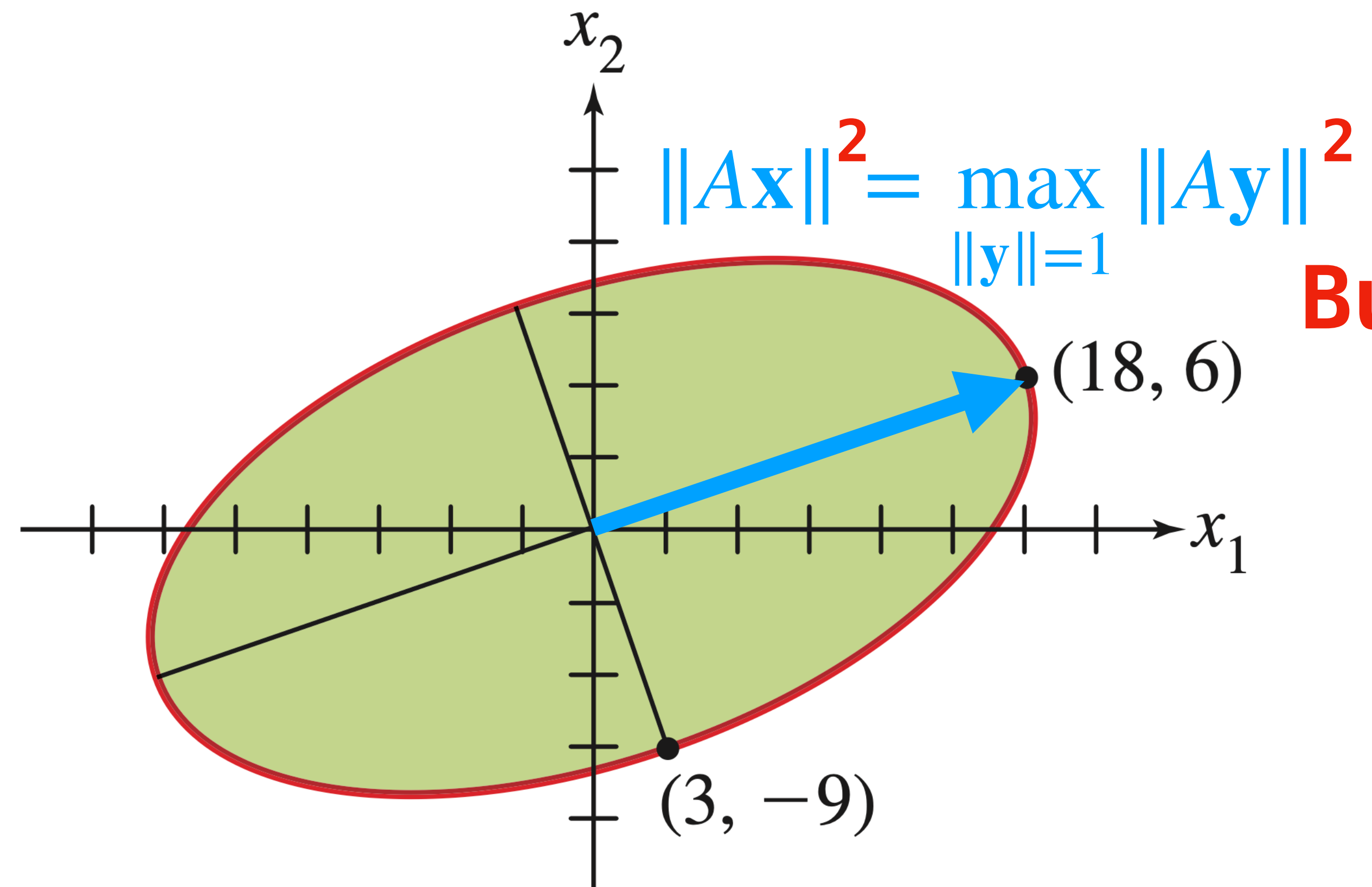


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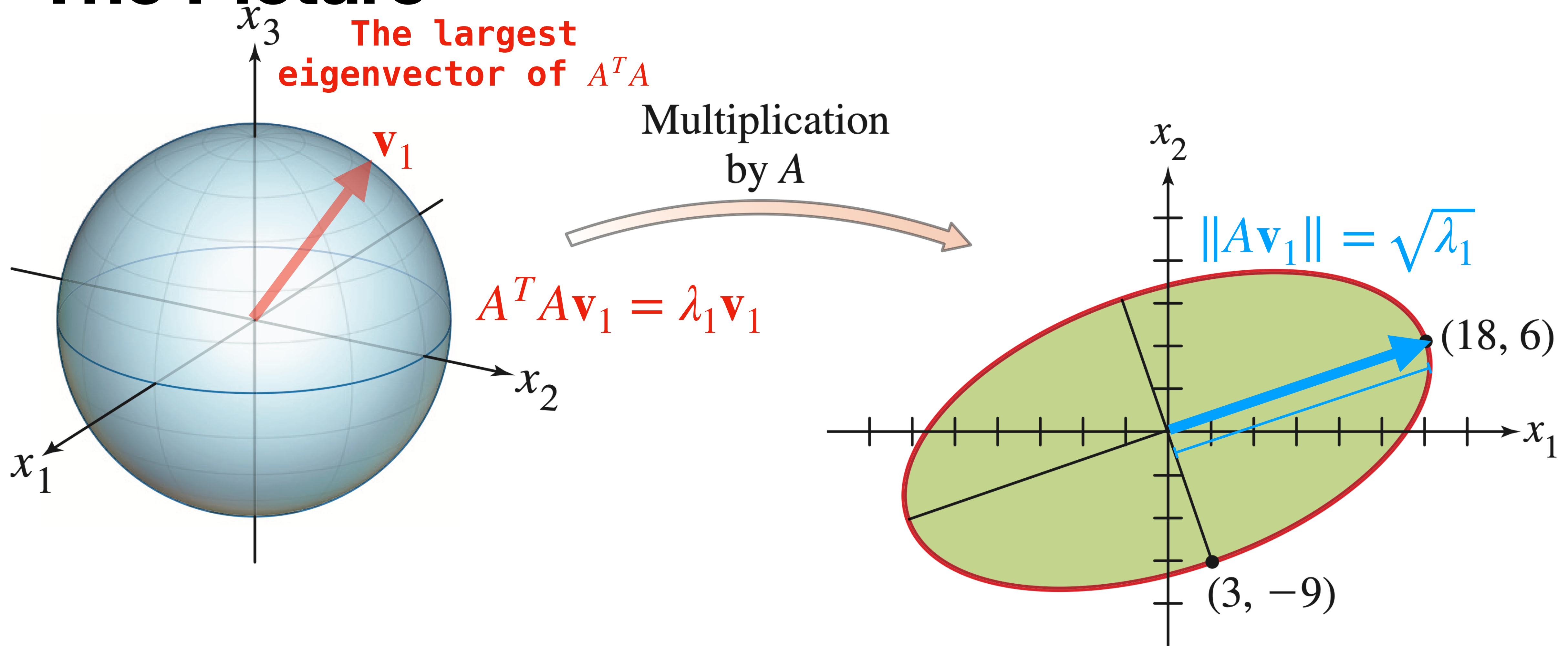
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A Quadratic Form

What does $\|A\mathbf{x}\|^2$ look like?:

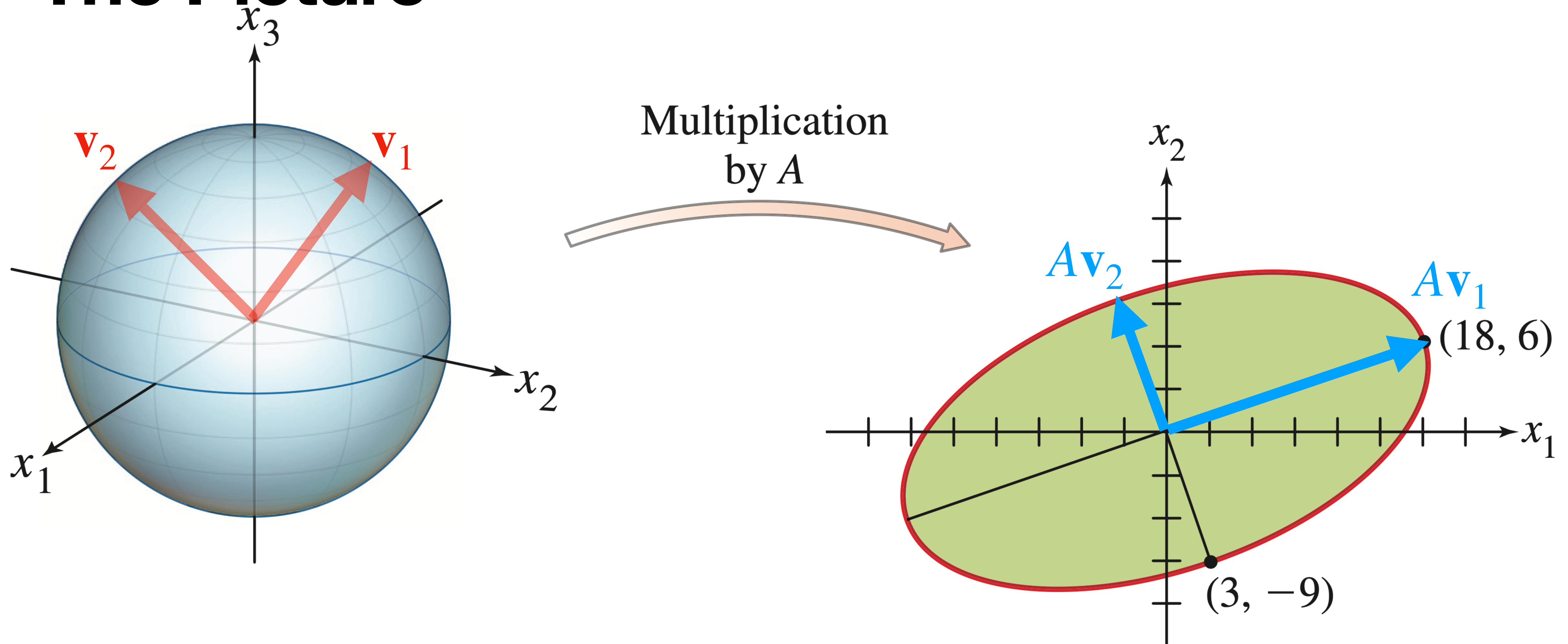
$$(A\mathbf{x})^T(A\mathbf{x}) = \underbrace{\vec{x}^T A^T A \vec{x}}_{\text{symmetric}}$$

The Picture



$\mathbf{v}_1$ solves the constrained optimization problem.

The Picture



The second eigenvector is sent to the *minimum* principle axis

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- » **It's positive semidefinite**, why?

if $\vec{x} \neq \vec{0}$, $\vec{x}^T A A \vec{x} = \|A \vec{x}\|^2 \geq 0$

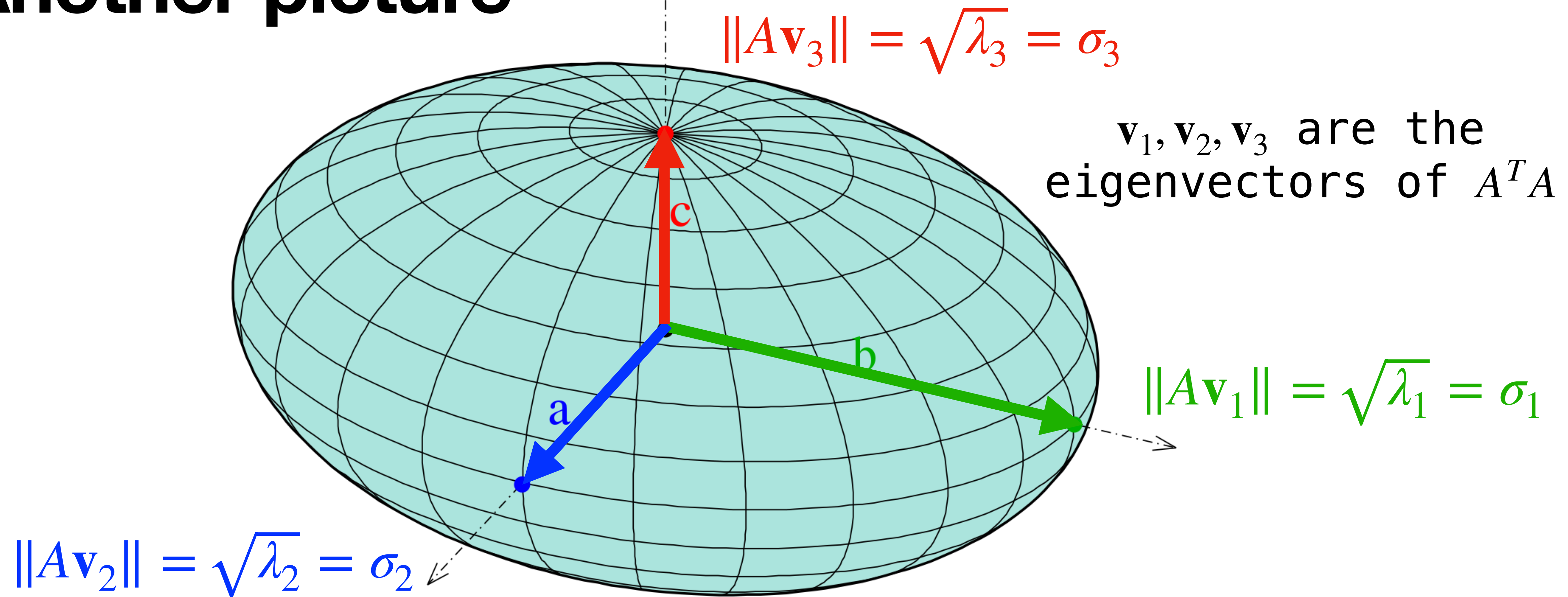
Singular Values

Definition. For an $m \times n$ matrix A , the **singular values** of A are the n values

$$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \dots \geq \sigma_n \geq 0$$

where $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$ and λ_i is an eigenvalue of $A^T A$.

Another picture



The **singular values** are the lengths of the *axes of symmetry* of the ellipsoid after transforming the unit sphere.

Every $m \times n$ matrix transforms the
unit ~~m~~ _{n} -sphere into an ~~n~~ _{m} -ellipsoid

So every $m \times n$ matrix has
 m singular values

What else can we say?

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This is the most important theorem for SVD

Verifying it

$$\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$$

Let's show $A\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, A\mathbf{v}_r$ are orthogonal (and linearly independent):

$$\vec{v}_j^T A^T A \vec{v}_i = \vec{v}_j^T \lambda_i \vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_j^T \vec{v}_i = 0$$

~~$(A^T A \vec{v}_j)^T \vec{v}_i = \lambda_j \vec{v}_j^T \vec{v}_i$~~ $\rightarrow$ ~~$(\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \vec{v}_j^T \vec{v}_i = 0$~~

Verifying it

Recall $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ orthonormal eigenbasis

& $\vec{v}_{r+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ basis for $\text{Nul } A^T A$

Let's show $A\vec{v}_1, \dots, A\vec{v}_r$ span $\text{Col}(A)$:

For any $A\vec{x}$, want

$$A\vec{x} = c_1 A\vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_r A\vec{v}_r$$

for some constants $c_1, \dots, c_r$

$$\vec{x} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow A\vec{x} = c_1 A\vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_n A\vec{v}_n$$

Q: Can we lop off the last $n-r$ terms?

Yes!

, so $A\vec{x} = c_1 A\vec{v}_1 + \dots + c_r A\vec{v}_r$
DONE

Fact: $\text{Nul}(A) = \text{Nul}(A^T A)$

Pf: $\vec{x} \in \text{Nul } A \Rightarrow A\vec{x} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow A^T A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$
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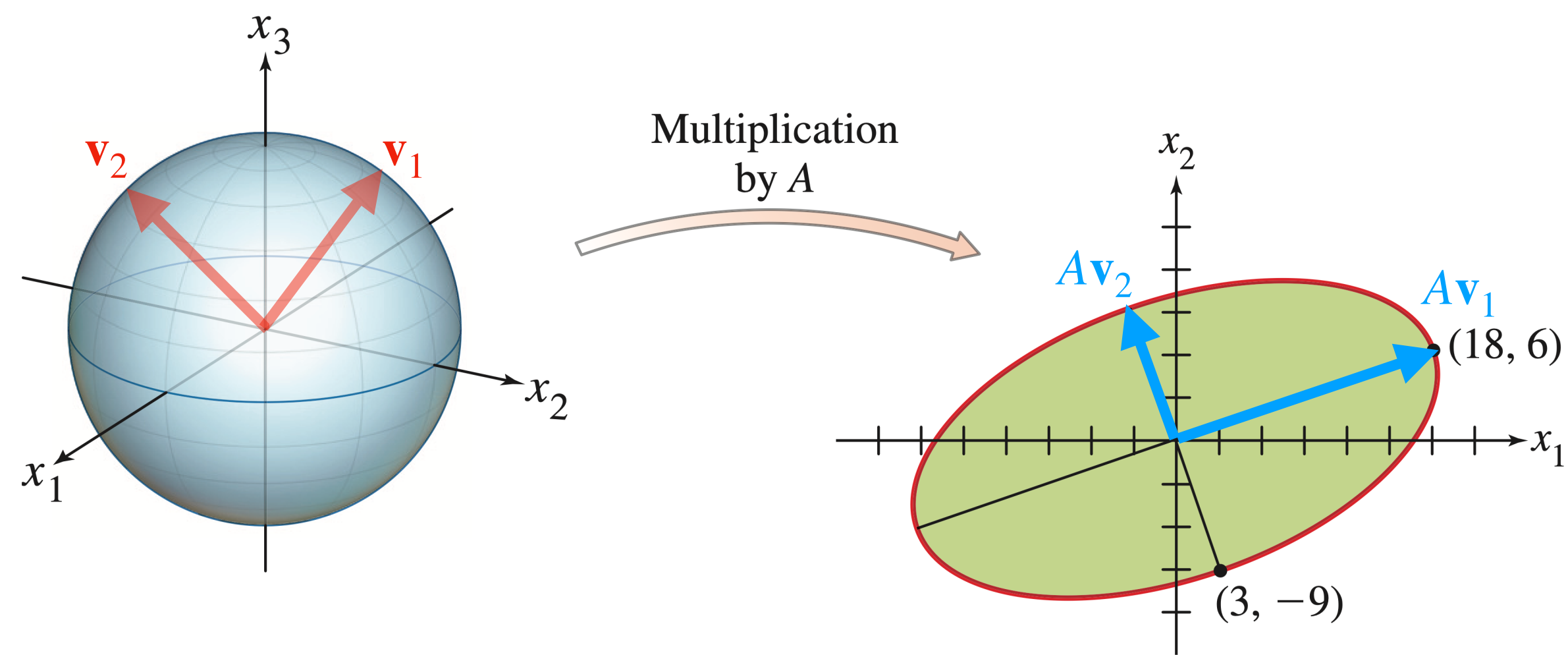
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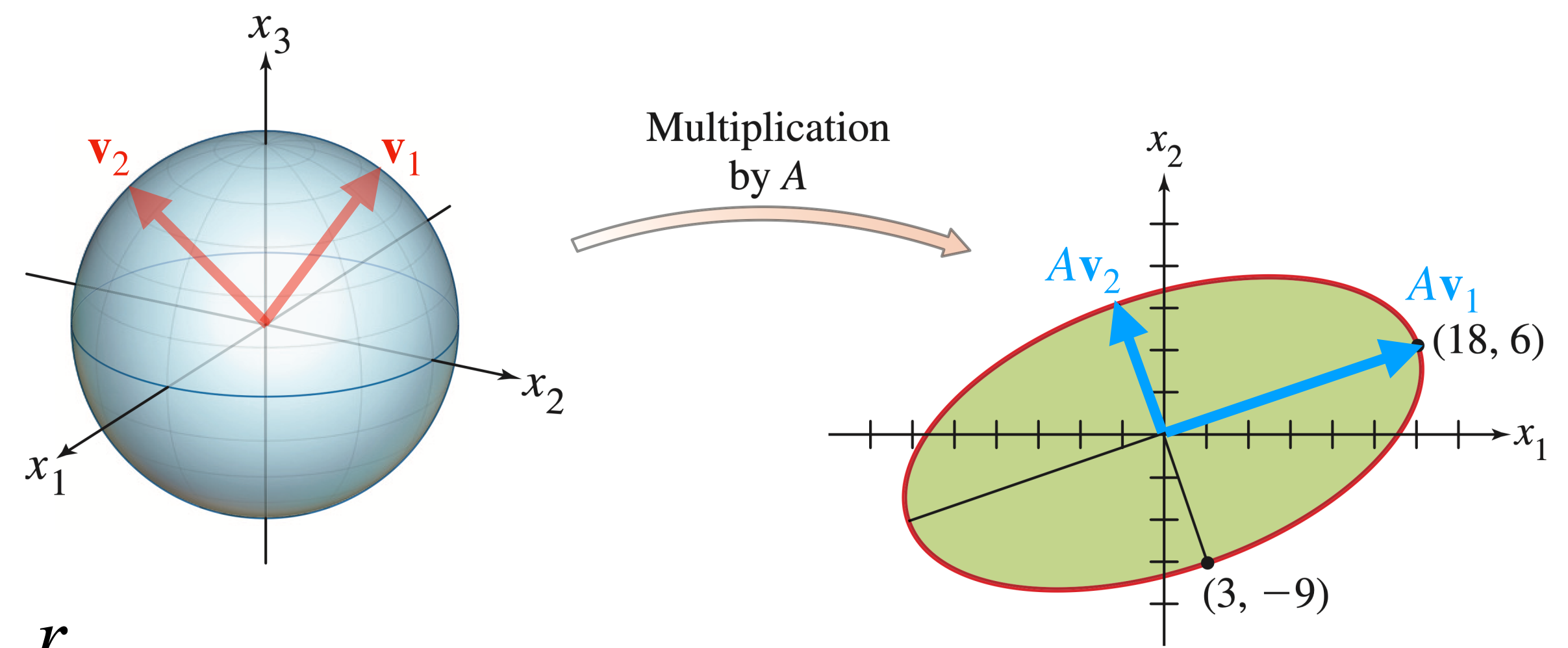
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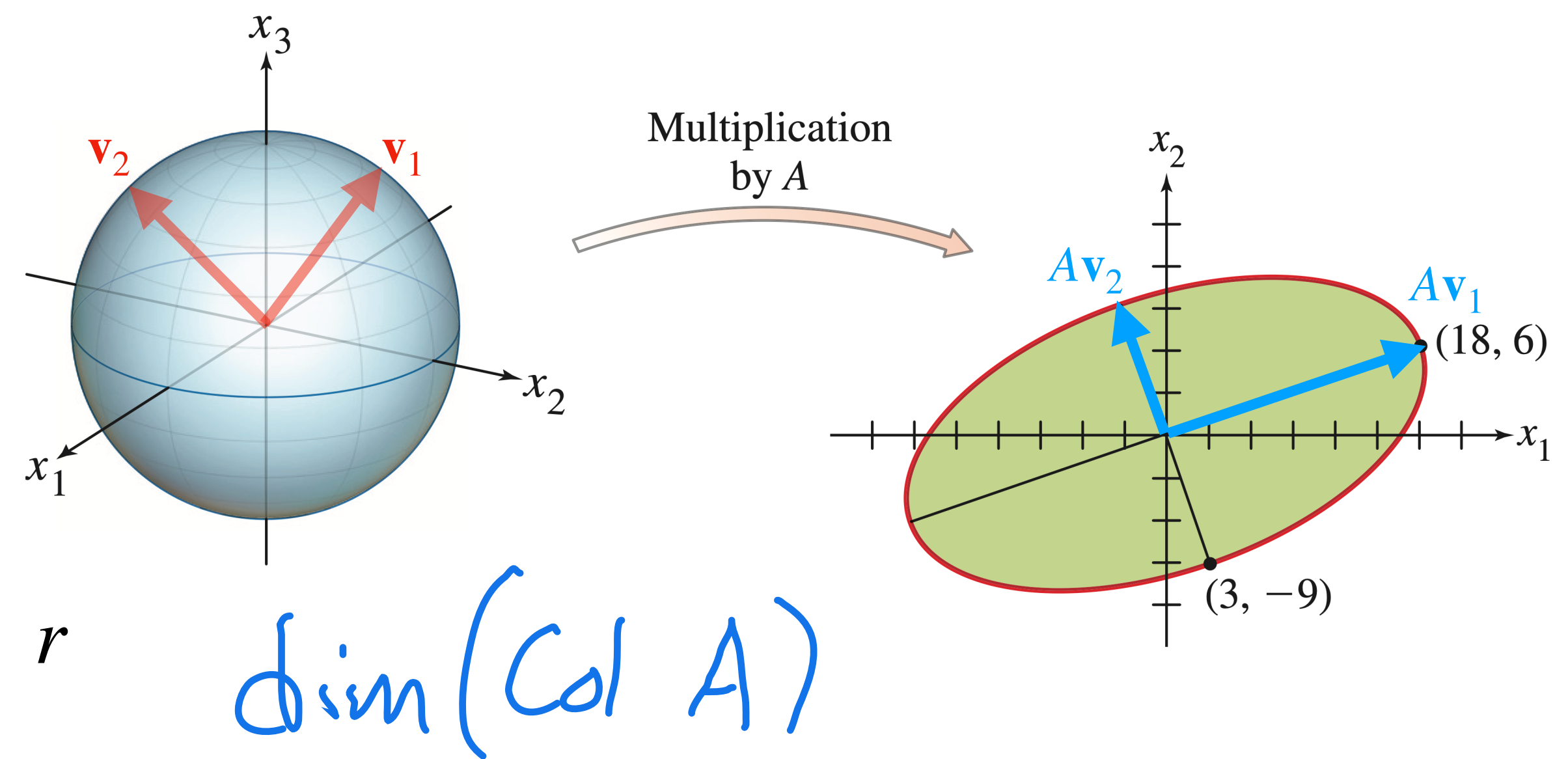
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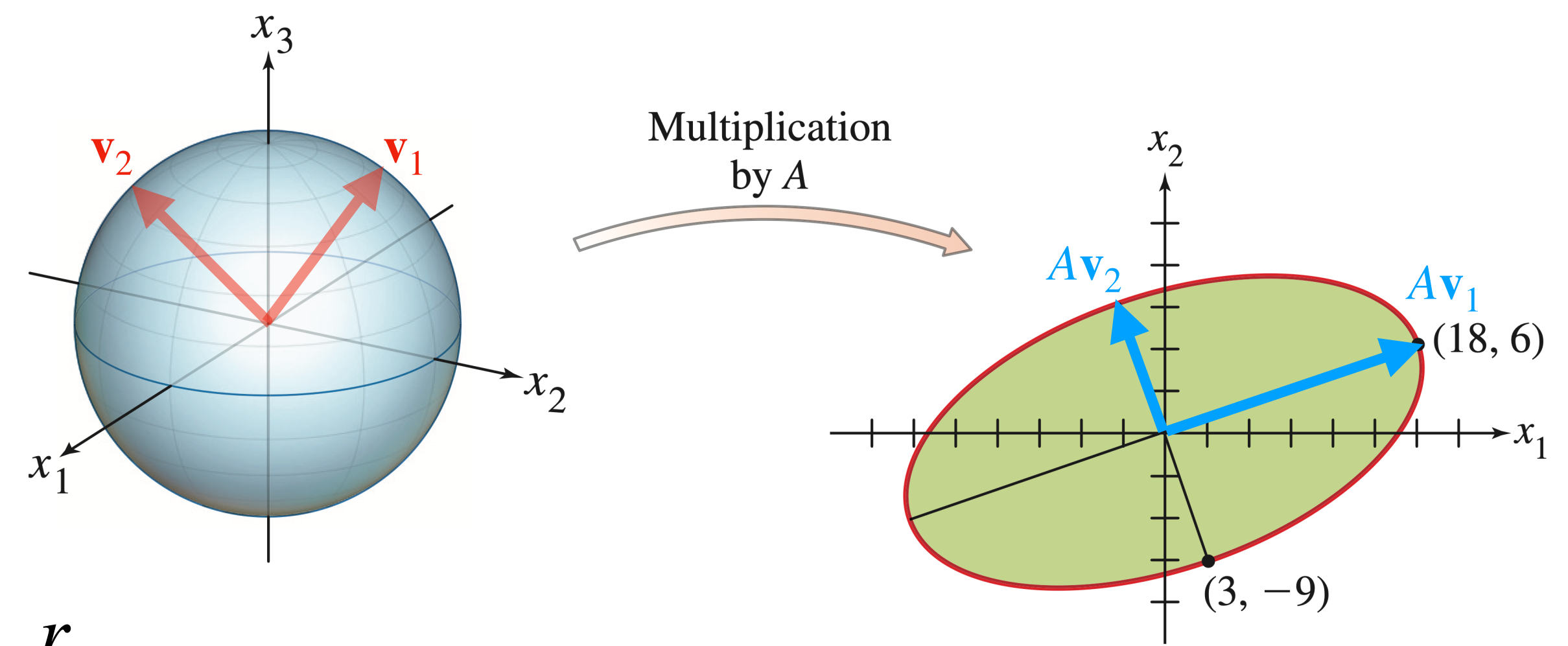
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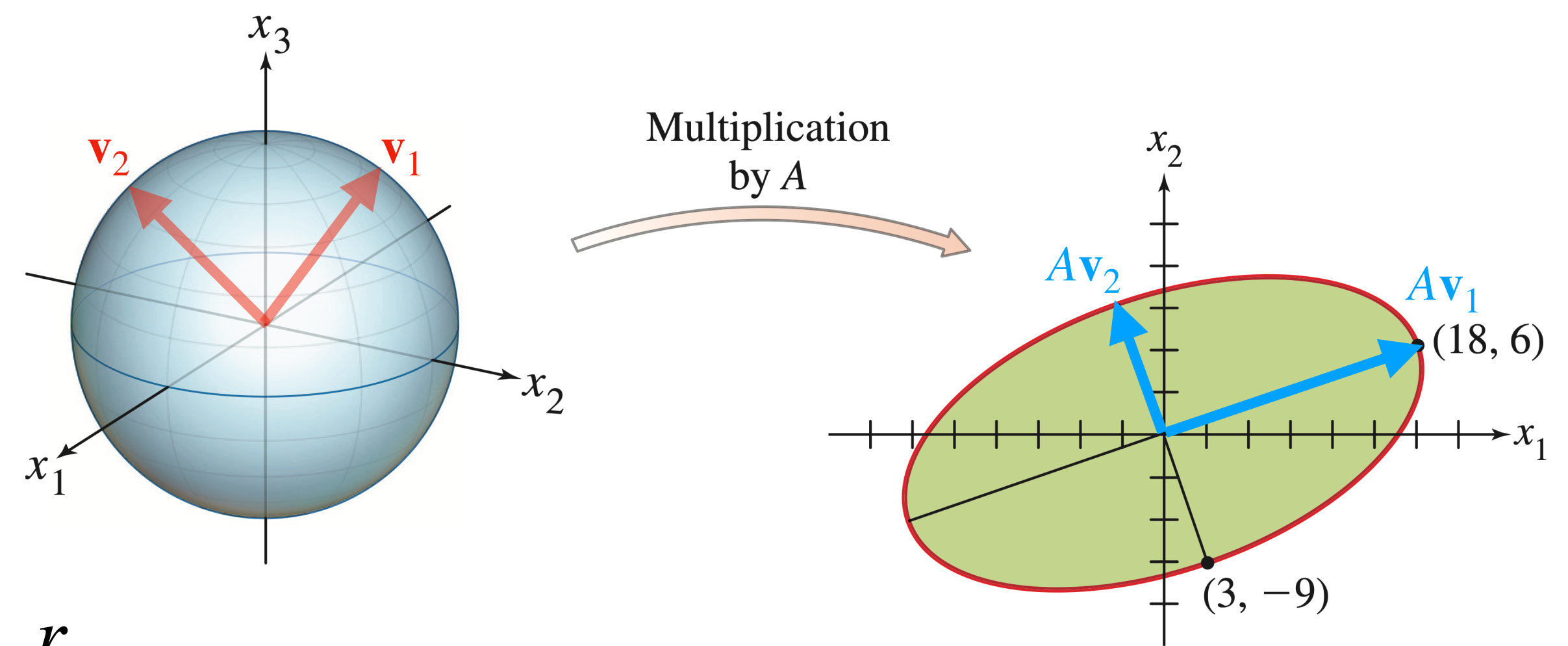


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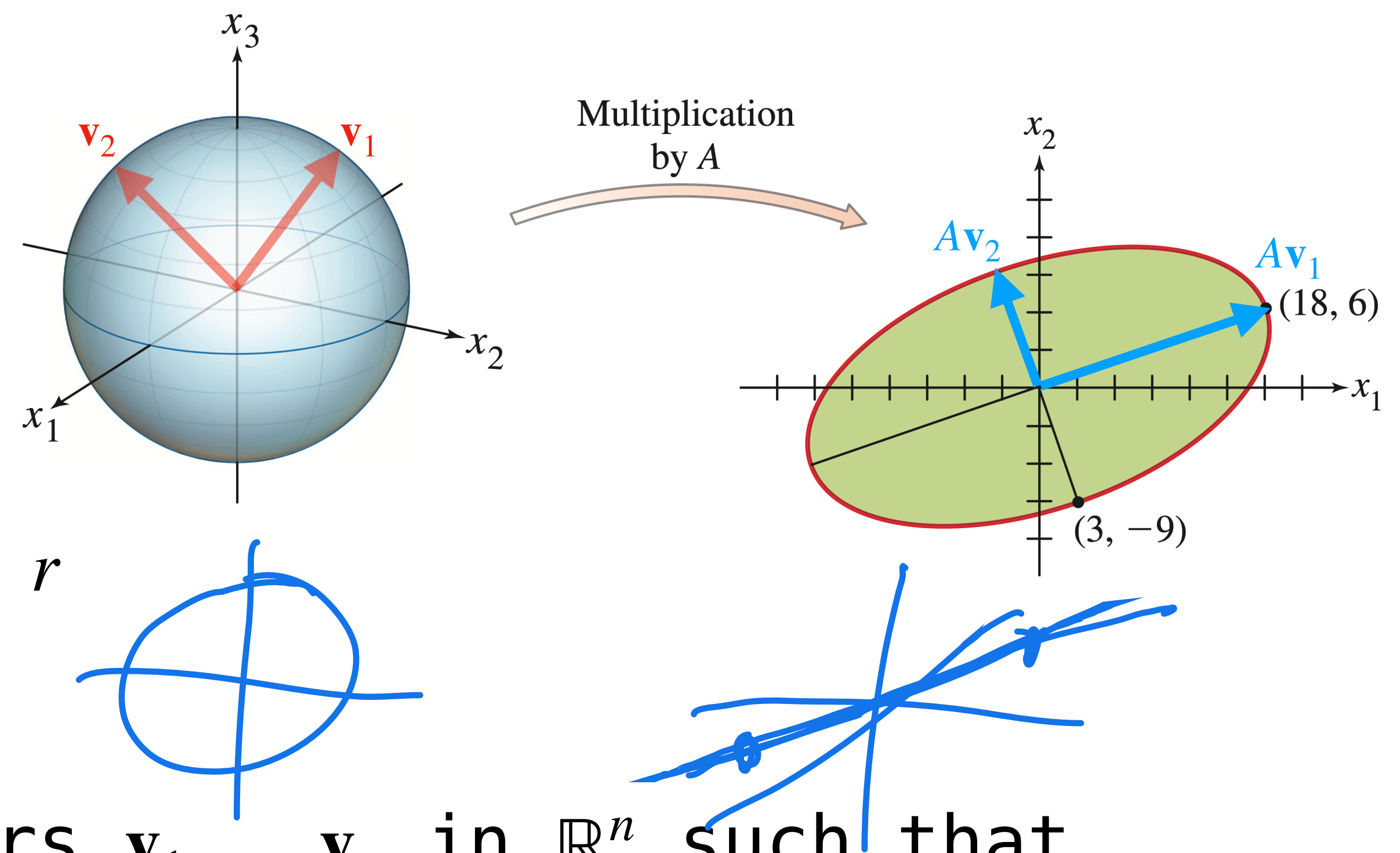
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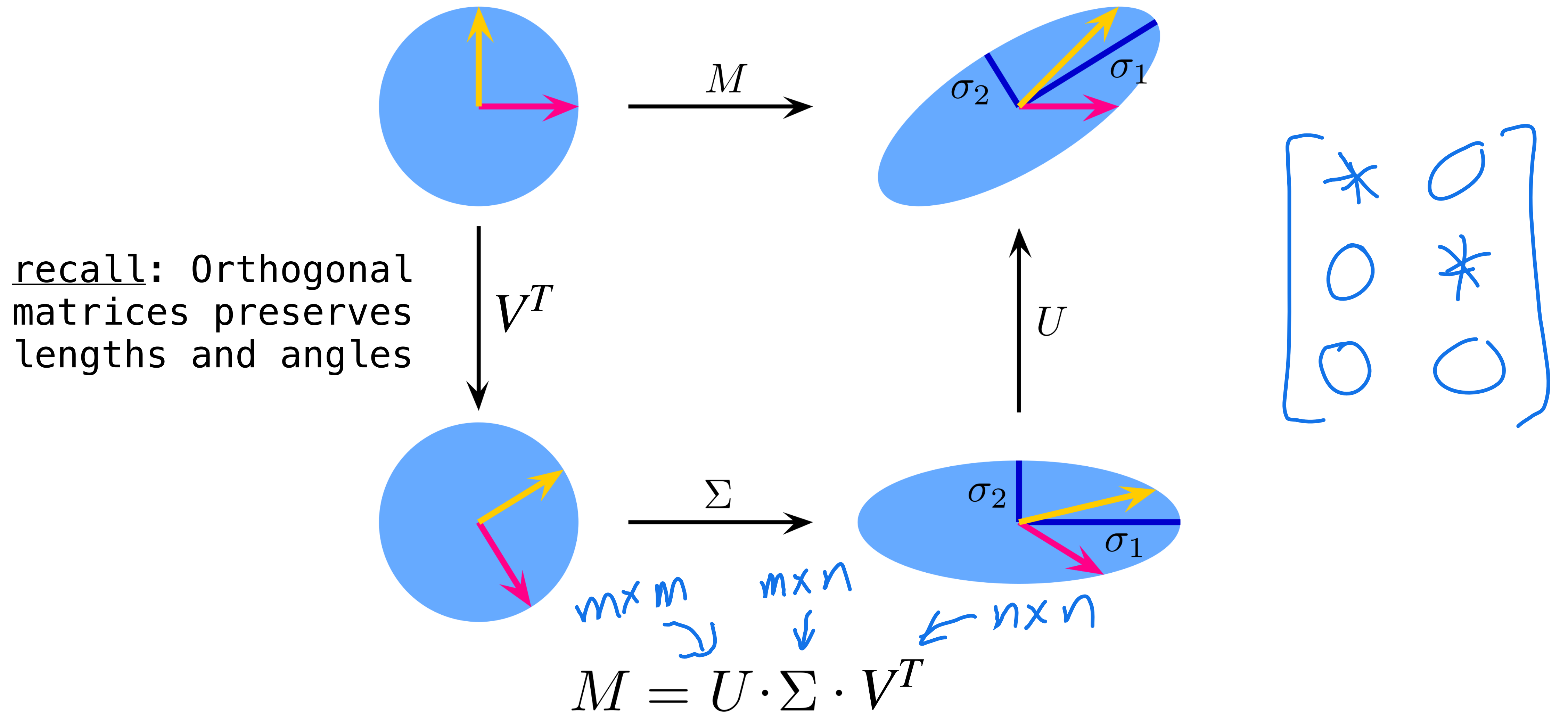
» And we can extend this to $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$ an orthonormal basis of $\mathbb{R}^m$ (via Gram-Schmidt).

(didn't cover technically)



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High Level View of the Decomposition



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What happens when we write this in matrix form?

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singular value decomposition

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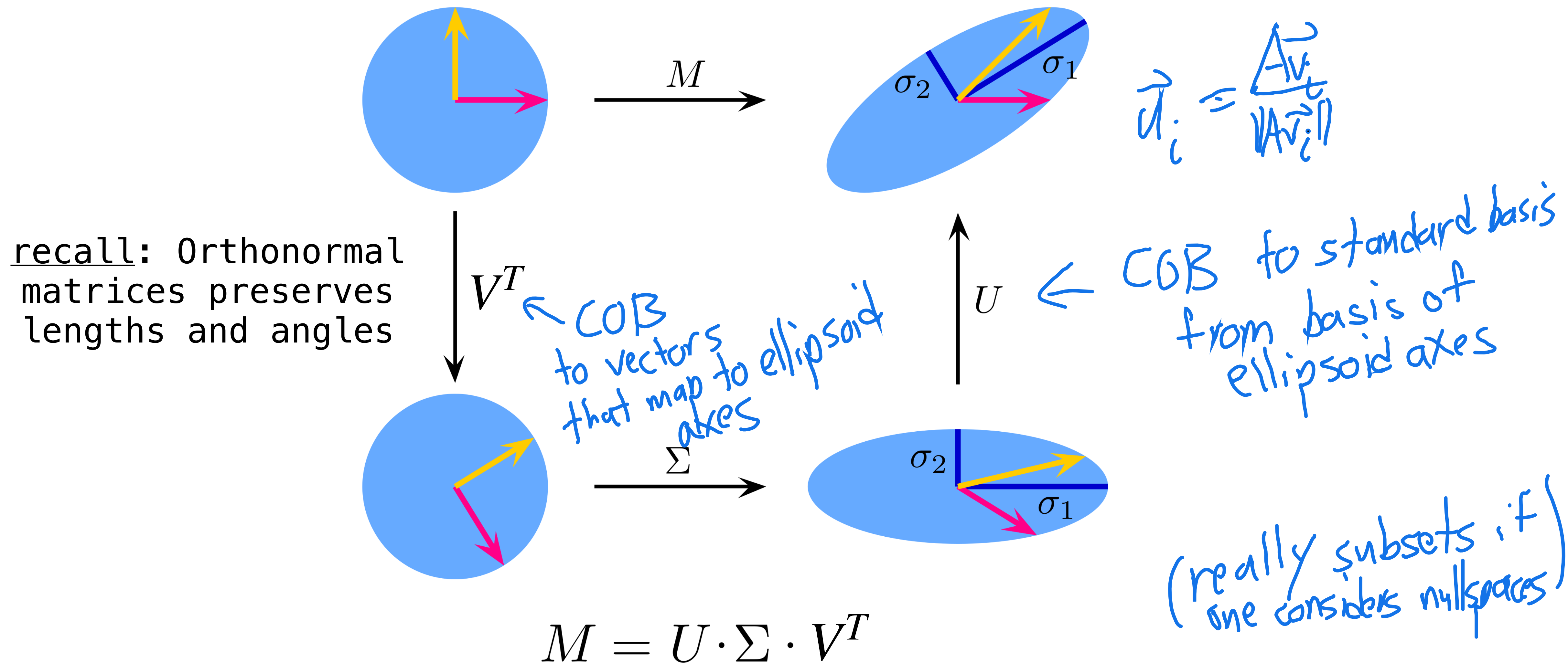
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The Picture (Again)



How To: Finding a SVD

Step 1: Set up Σ

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The **singular values** are the square roots of the eigenvalues of $A^T A$ (or AA^T):

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -9 \\ -9 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A^T A - \lambda I) &= (9 - \lambda)^2 - 81 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 18\lambda + 81 - 81 = \lambda^2 - 18\lambda = \lambda(\lambda - 18) \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda_1 = 18 \geq \lambda_2 = 0$
 $\sigma_1 = \sqrt{18} \quad \sigma_2 = 0$

Step 2: Set up V

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Find an orthonormal eigenbasis for $A^T A$:

$$\lambda_1 = 18 \quad A^T A - 18I = \begin{bmatrix} -9 & -9 \\ -9 & -9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \vec{v}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{v}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3: Set up U (Part 1)

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If $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$ is an eigenbasis of $\mathbb{R}^n$ (in decreasing order of eigenvalue), then $A\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, A\mathbf{v}_r$ is an eigenbasis of $\text{Col}(A)$ (where r is the rank of A). These vectors can be normalized and made the first r columns of U :

$$r=1$$
$$A\vec{v}_1 = A \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} A \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \propto \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{u}_1 = \frac{A\vec{v}_1}{\|A\vec{v}_1\|} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 4: Set up U (Part 2)

$$U_{n \times m} \quad m=3 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{n=2} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right.$$

If $m > r$, then extend $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r$ until it has m orthonormal vectors:

$$\begin{array}{l} \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \\ \vec{x} \cdot \vec{v}_1 = 0 \\ \vec{x} \cdot \vec{v}_2 = 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -2/3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4/\sqrt{18} \\ 1/\sqrt{18} \\ -1/\sqrt{18} \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \checkmark \quad n \times n \\ 2 \times 2 \\ \left| \begin{array}{ccc} \hat{e} & \hat{e} & \hat{e} \\ -1 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right| = \begin{bmatrix} 2(1) - (-2)(1) \\ -(-1) \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

Step 5: Put everything together

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 & 0 & 4/\sqrt{18} \\ 2/3 & 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{18} \\ -2/3 & 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{18} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{18} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

↑

SVD in NumPy

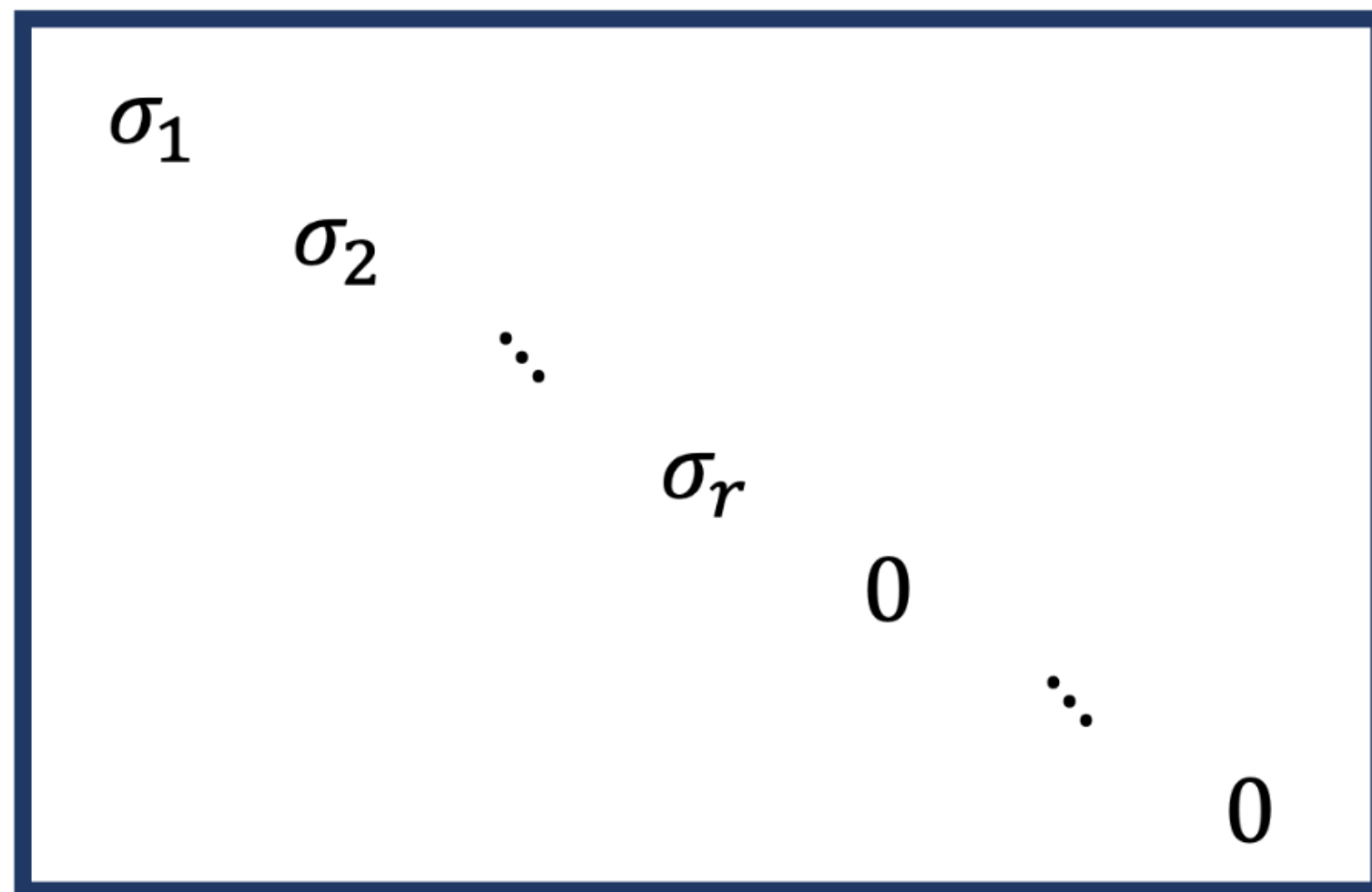
In reality, we will almost never build SVDs by hand. We can use:

`numpy.linalg.svd`

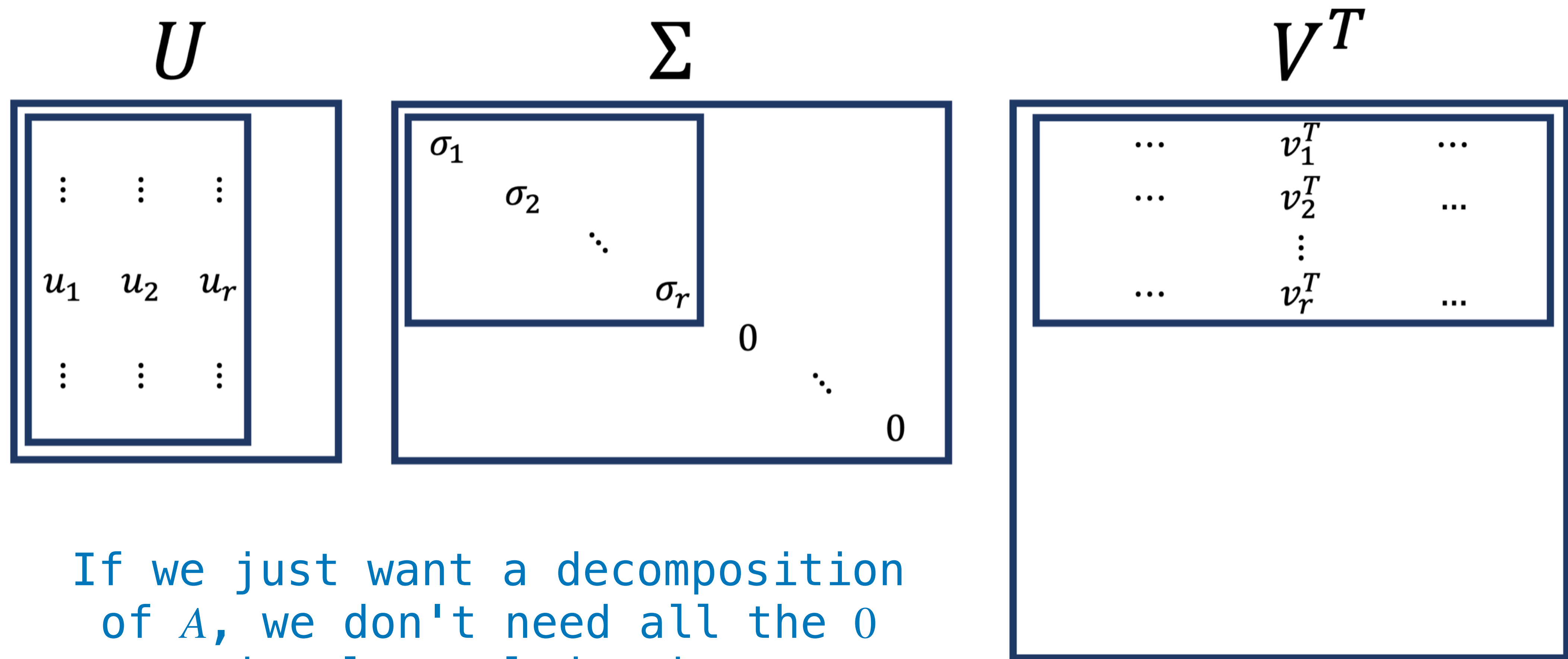


Pseudoinverses

SVD (The Picture)

 U  Σ  V^T 

Reduced SVD (The Picture)



If we just want a decomposition
of A , we don't need all the 0
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The Reduced SVD

Theorem. For every matrix A of rank r , there is an orthonormal matrix $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times r}$, a diagonal matrix $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$ with **positive** entries on the diagonal, and an orthonormal matrix $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$ such that

$$A = U\Sigma V^T$$

The Pseudoinverse

Definition. Given a reduced SVD $A = U\Sigma V^T$, the ***pseudoinverse*** of A is $A^+ = V\Sigma^{-1}U^T$

Theorem. $A^+\mathbf{b}$ is the *minimum length least squares solution* of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$

(in Python we have ***numpy.linalg.pinv***)

Recall: Least Squares in NumPy

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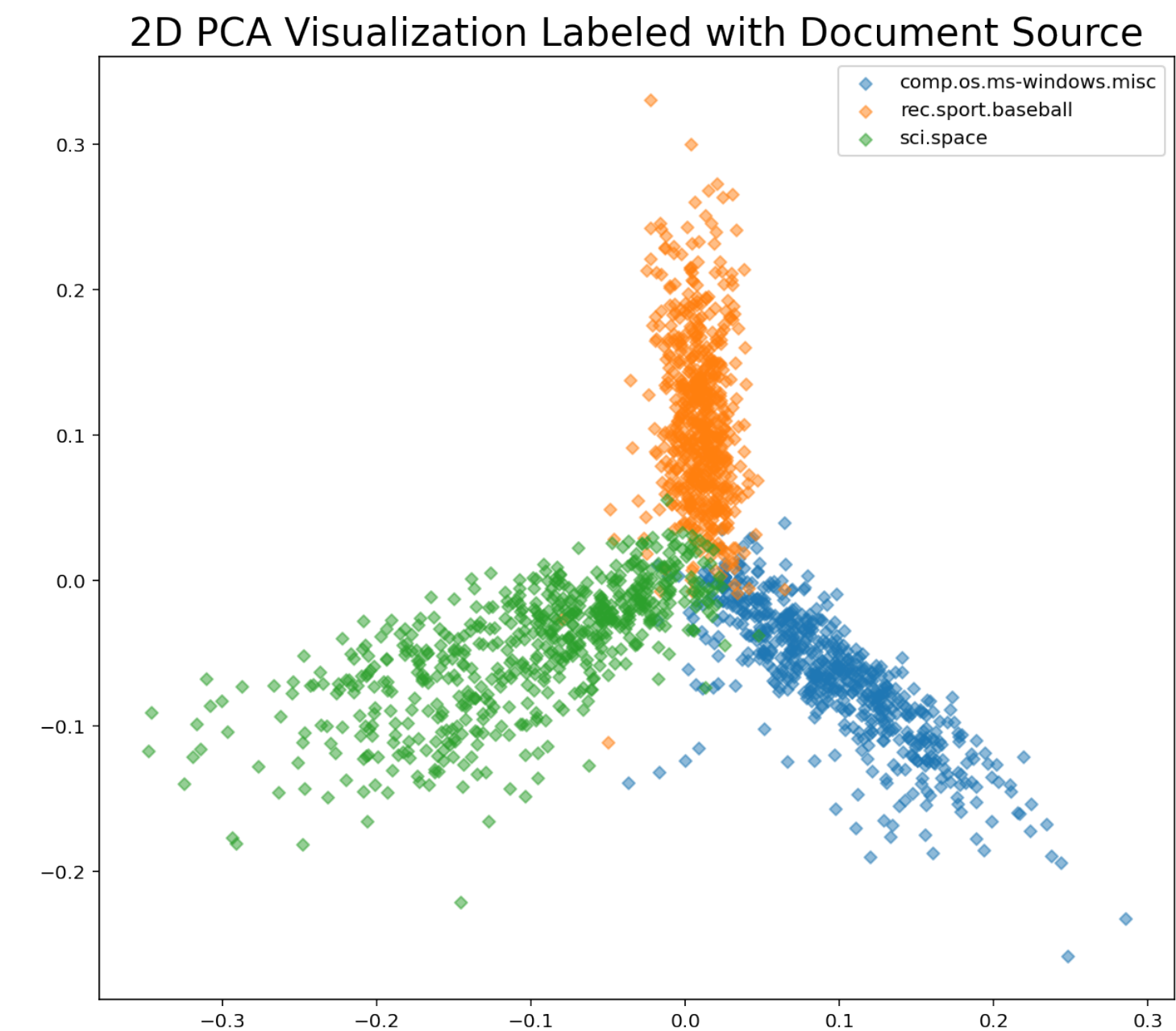
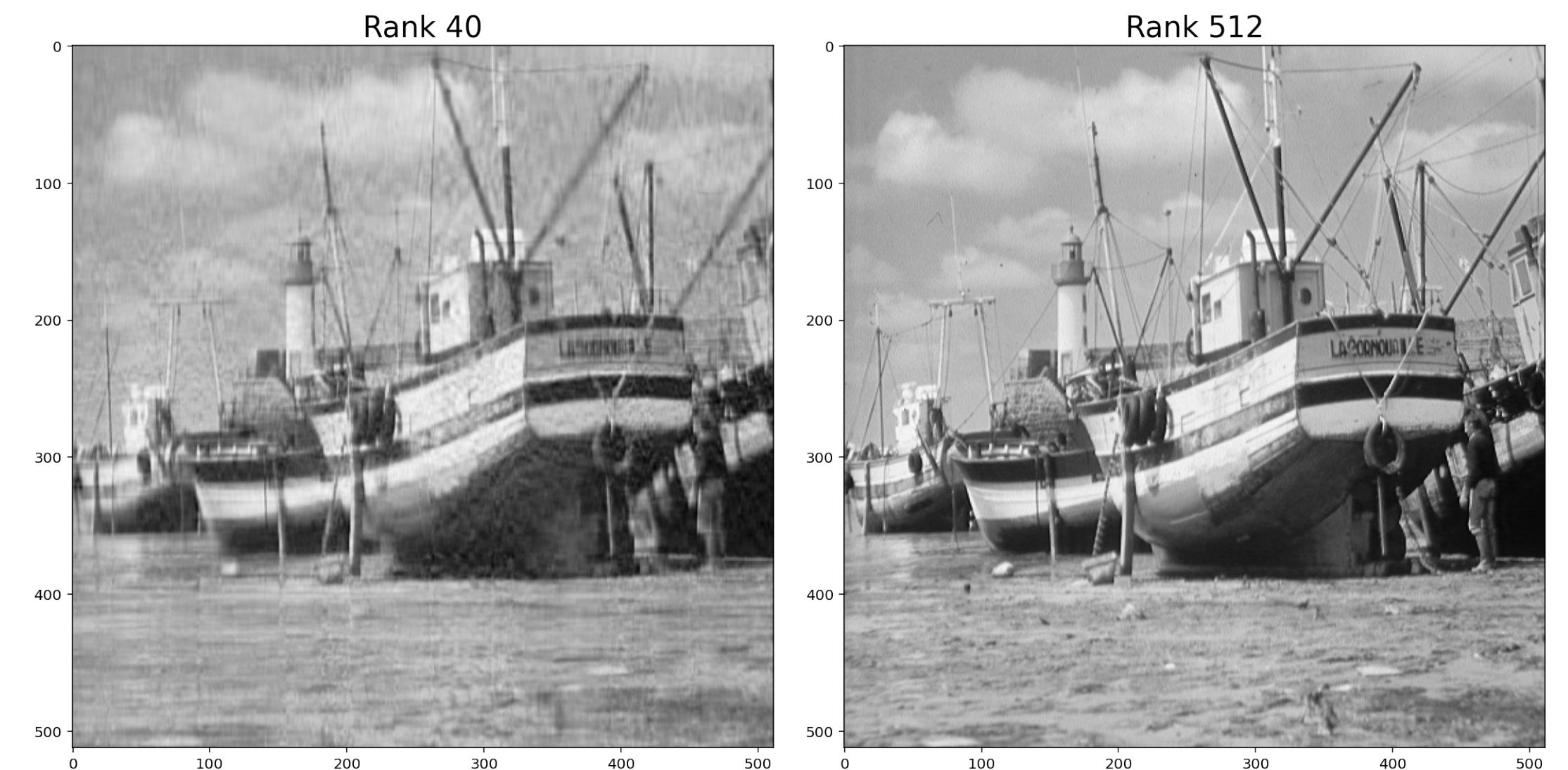
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because they use SVD!

What's next?
A couple final thoughts

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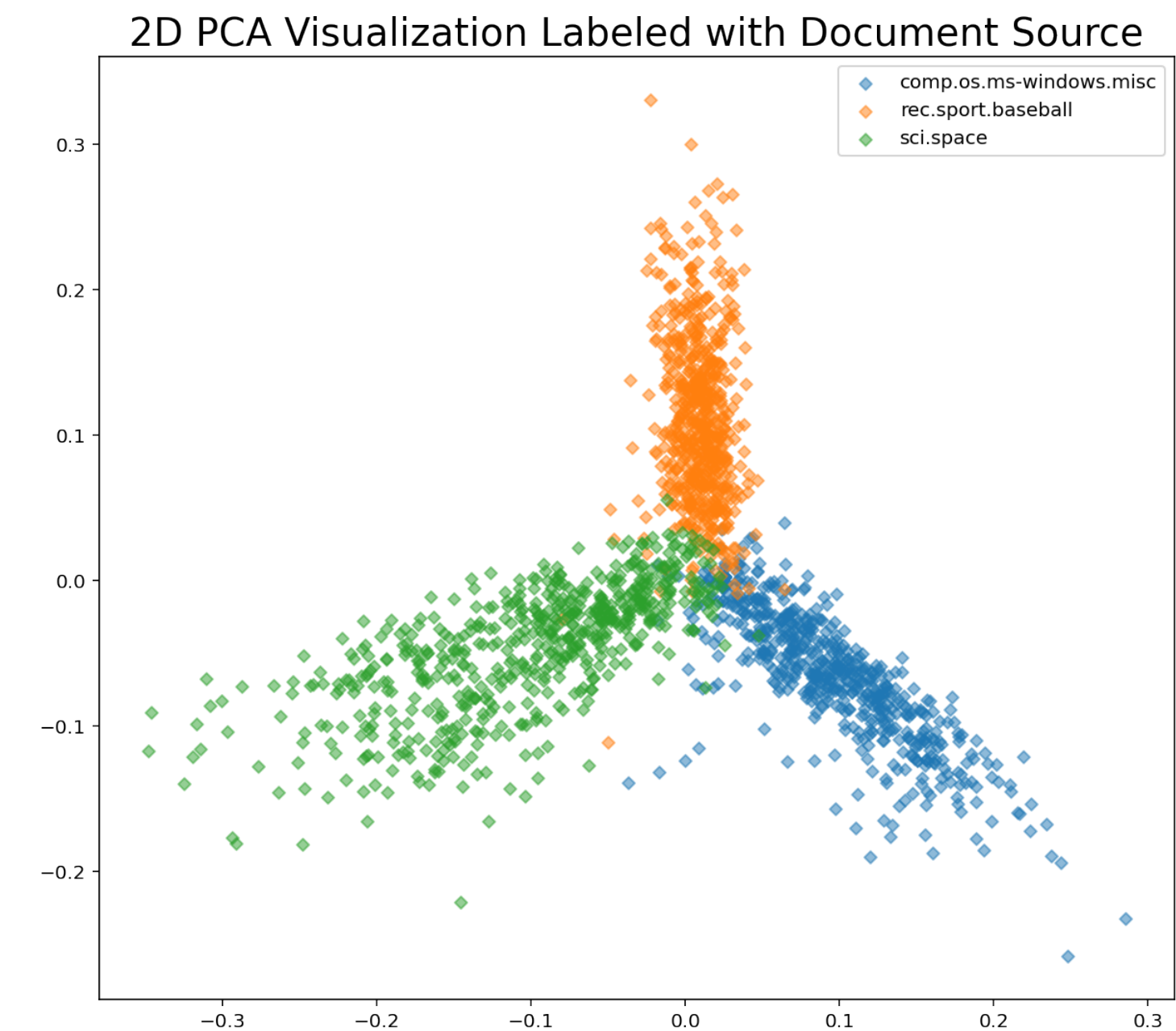
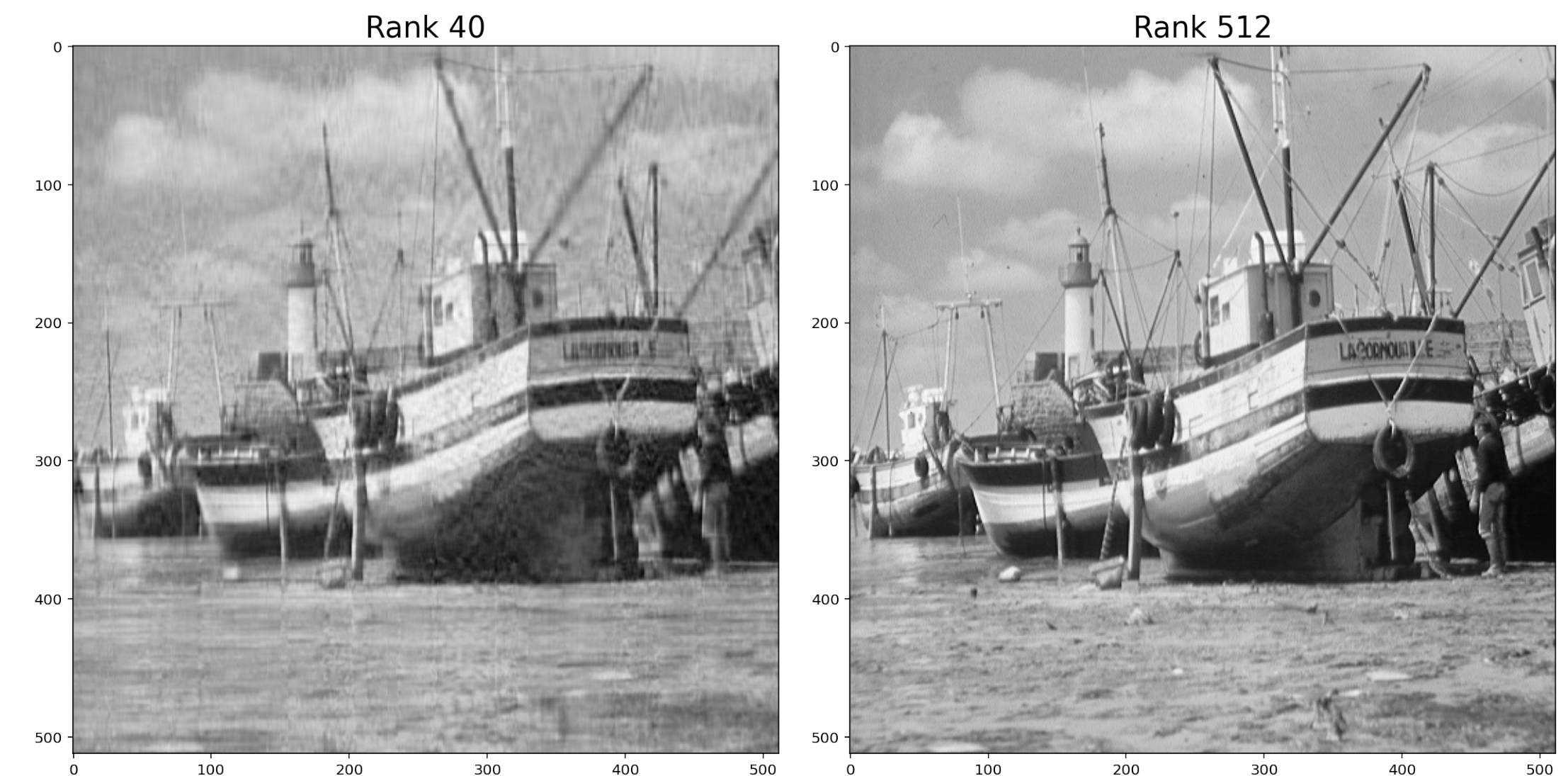


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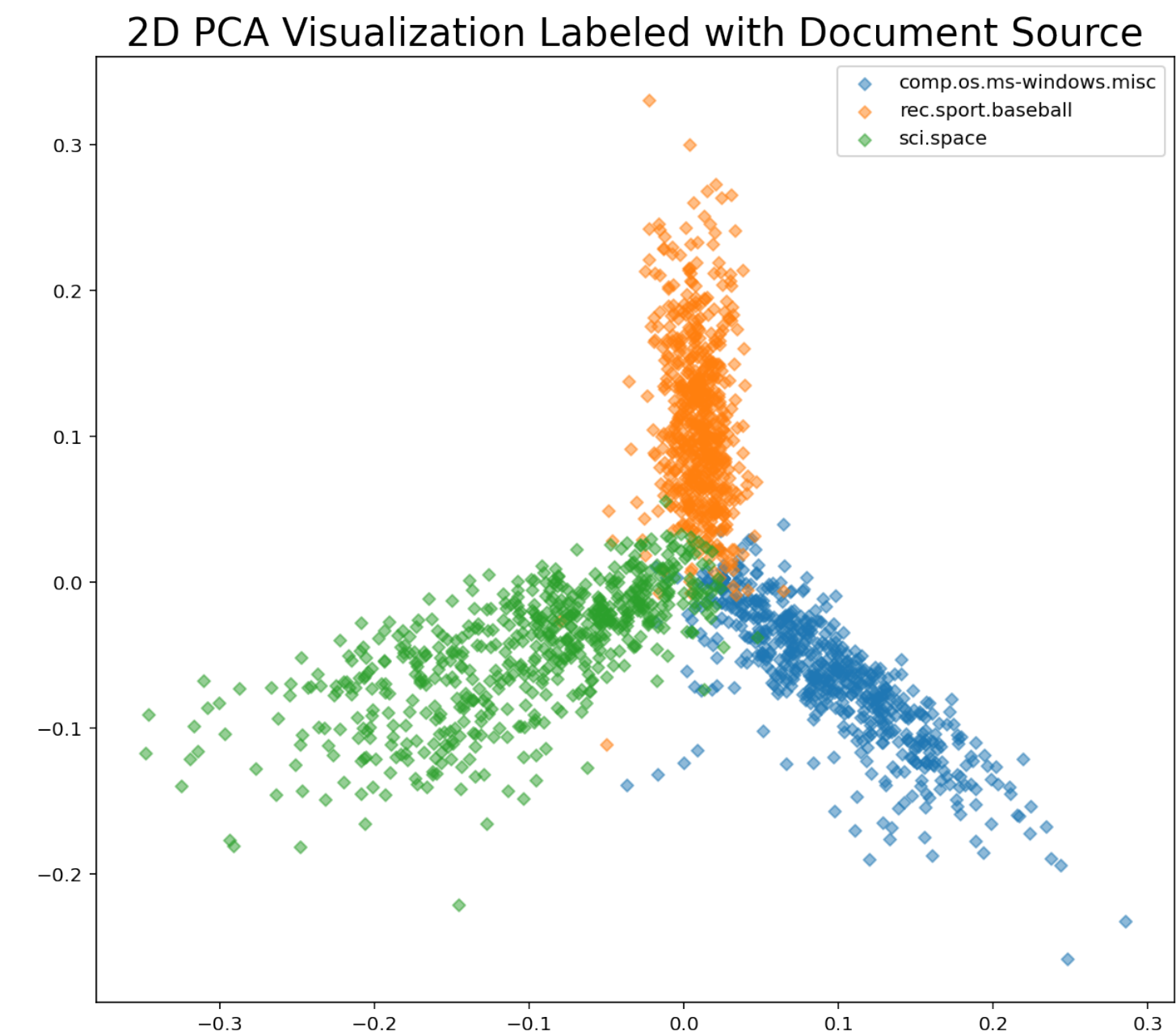
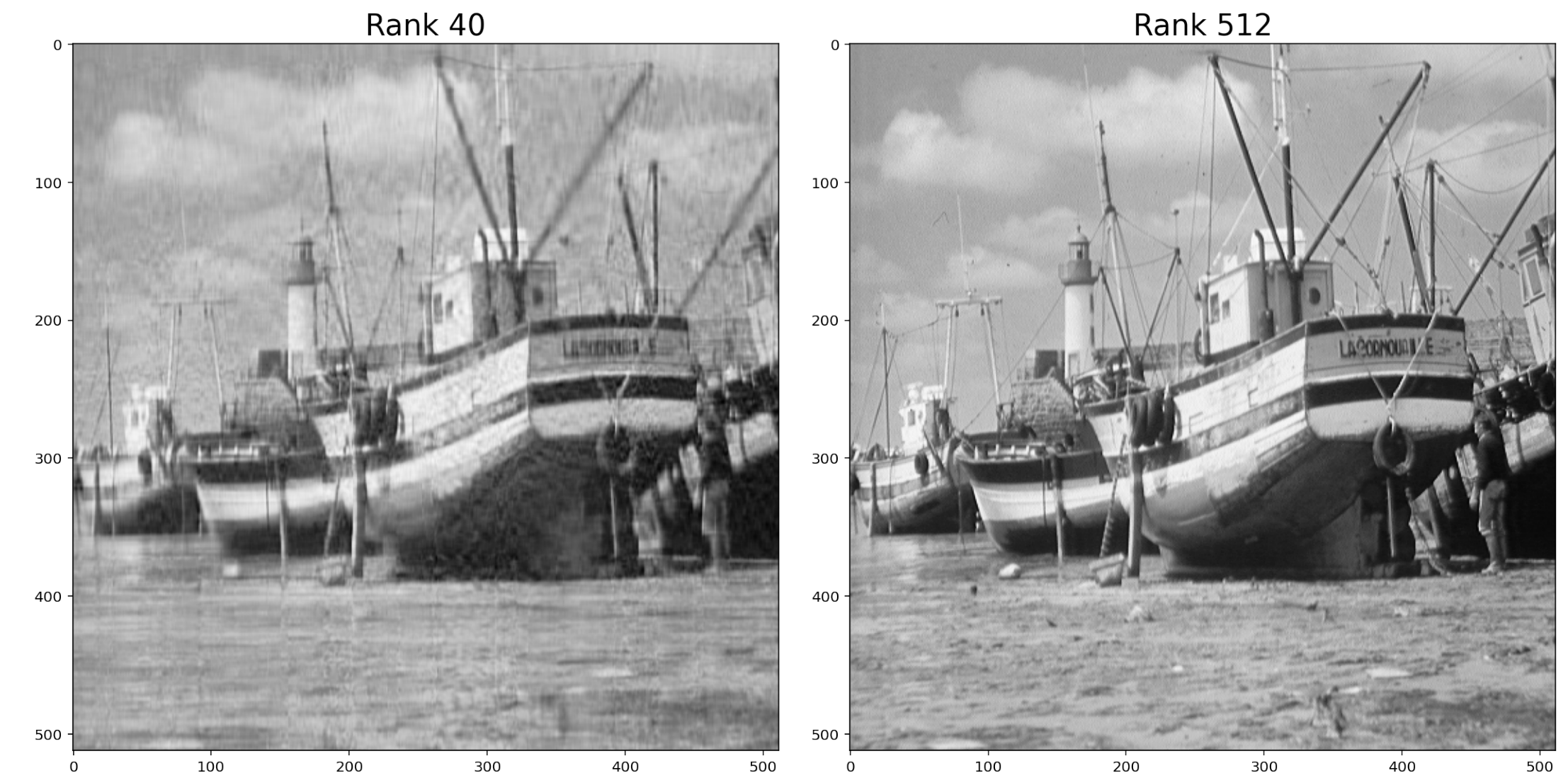


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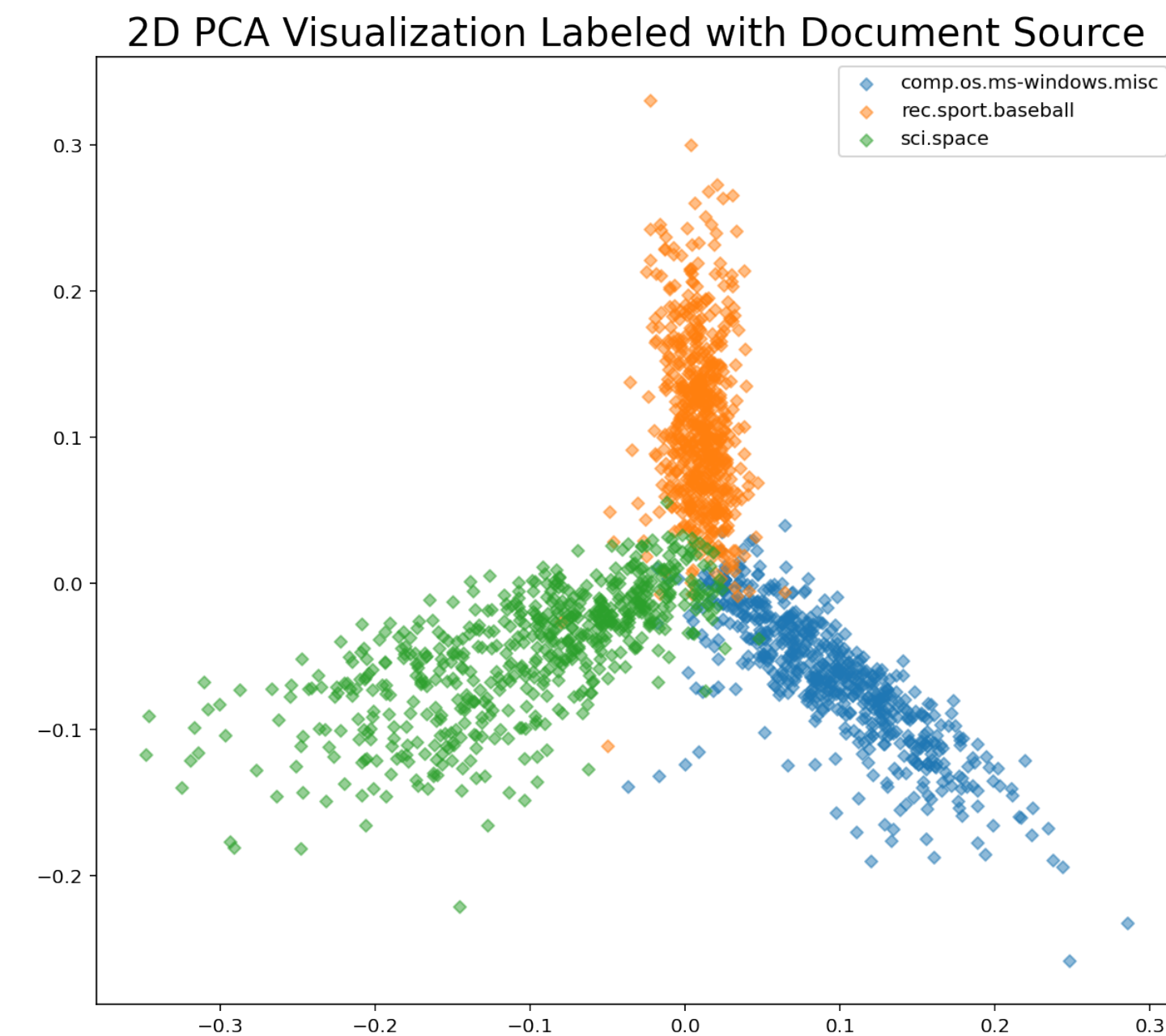
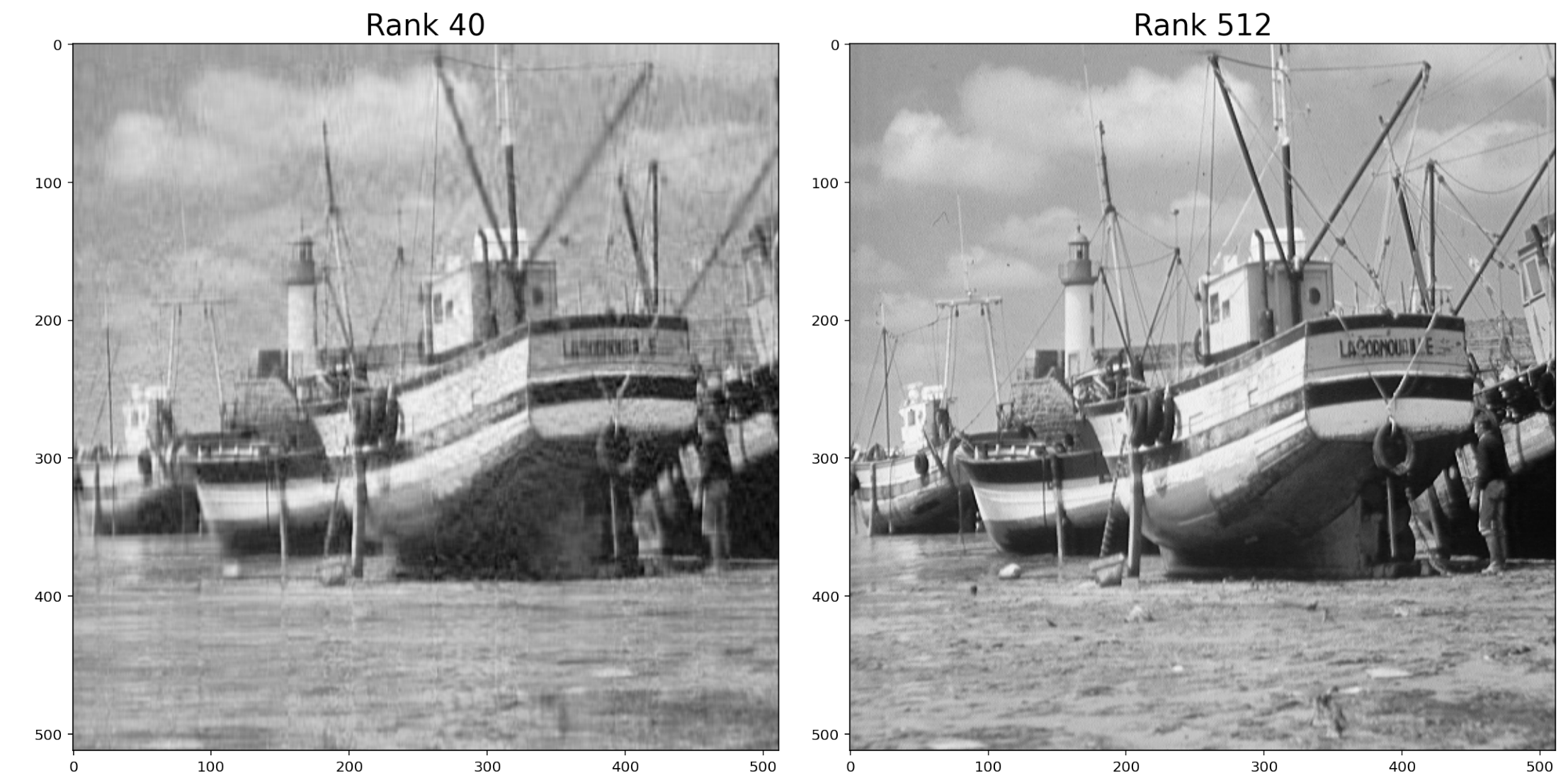


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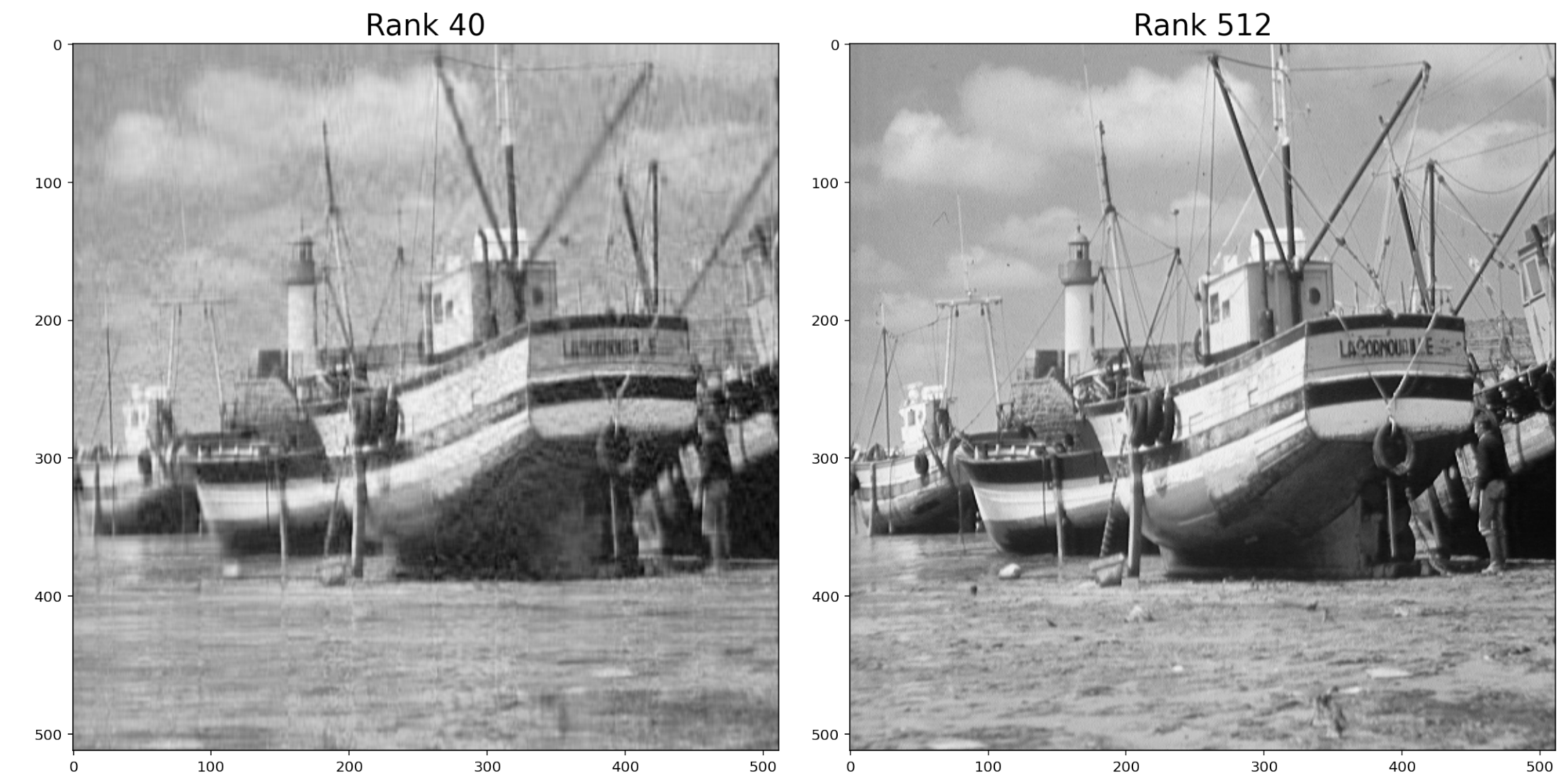


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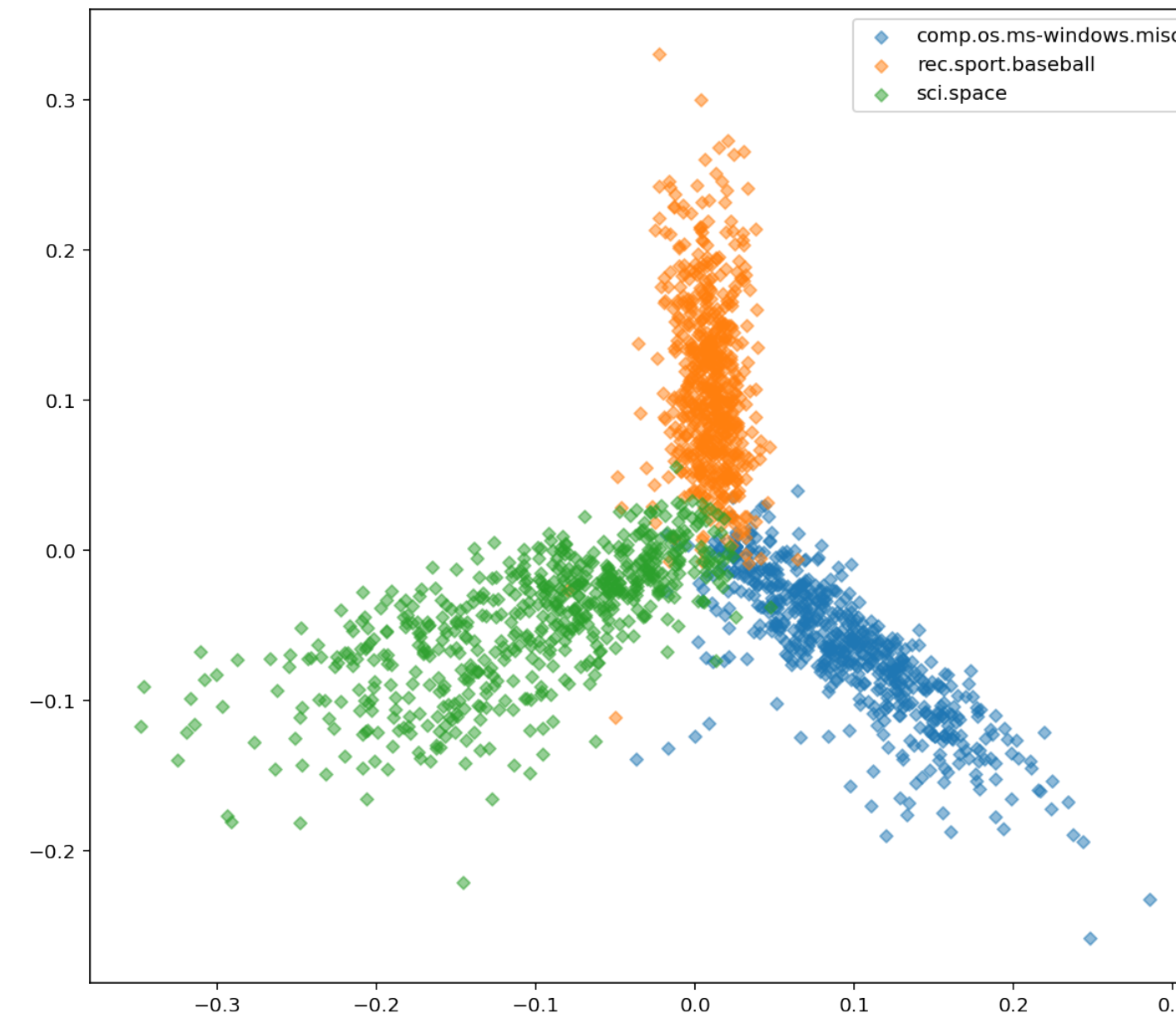
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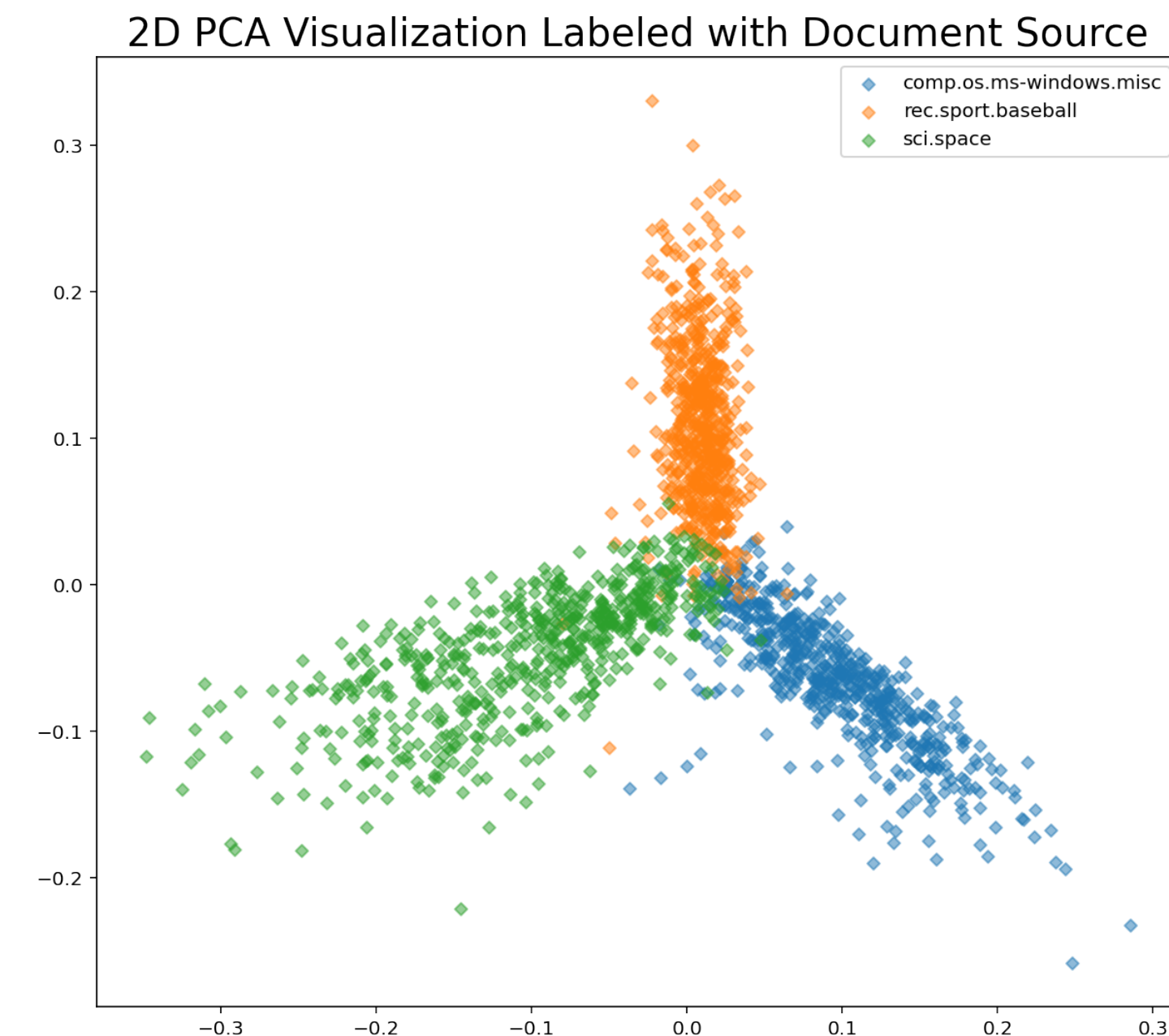
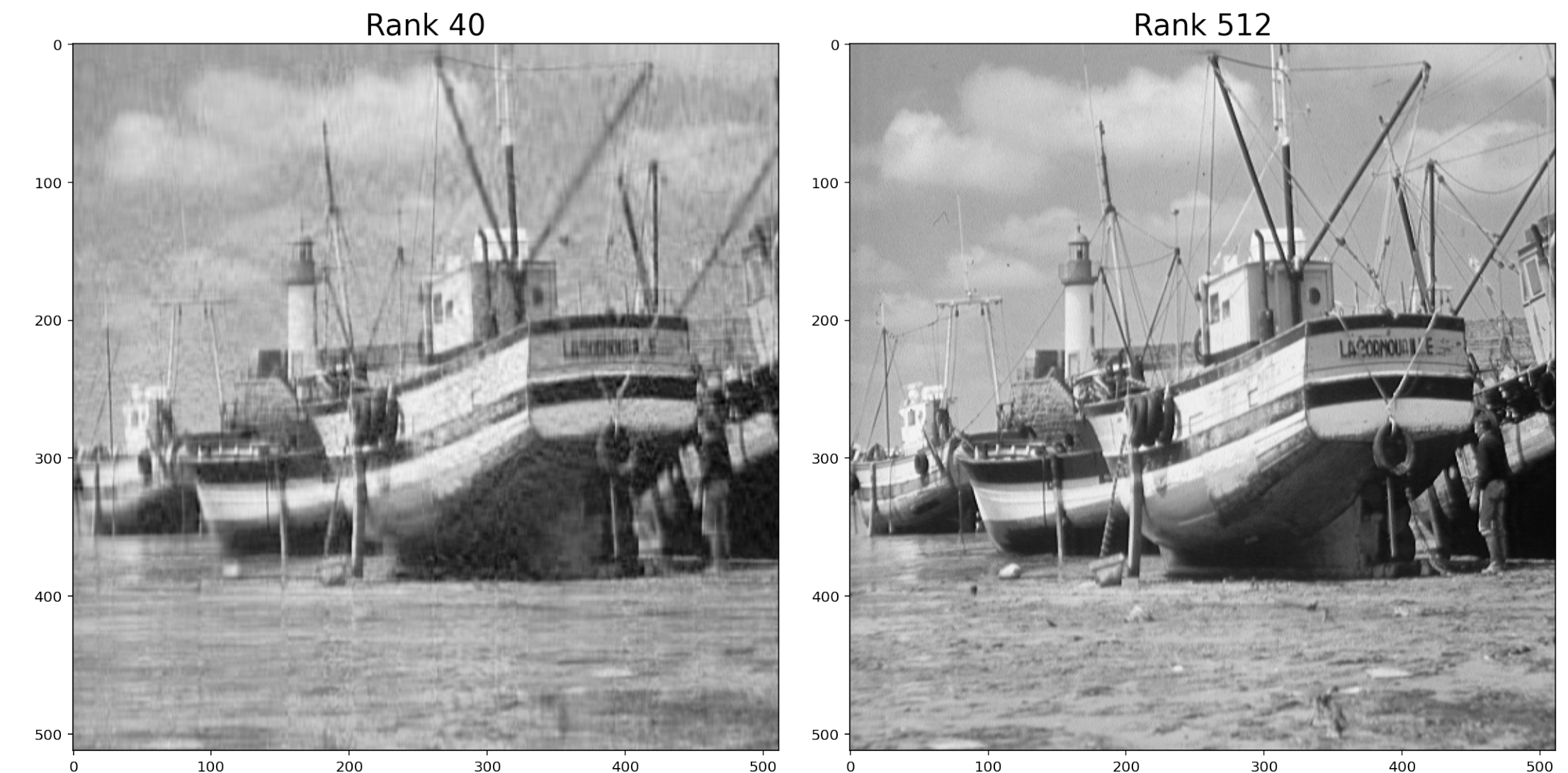


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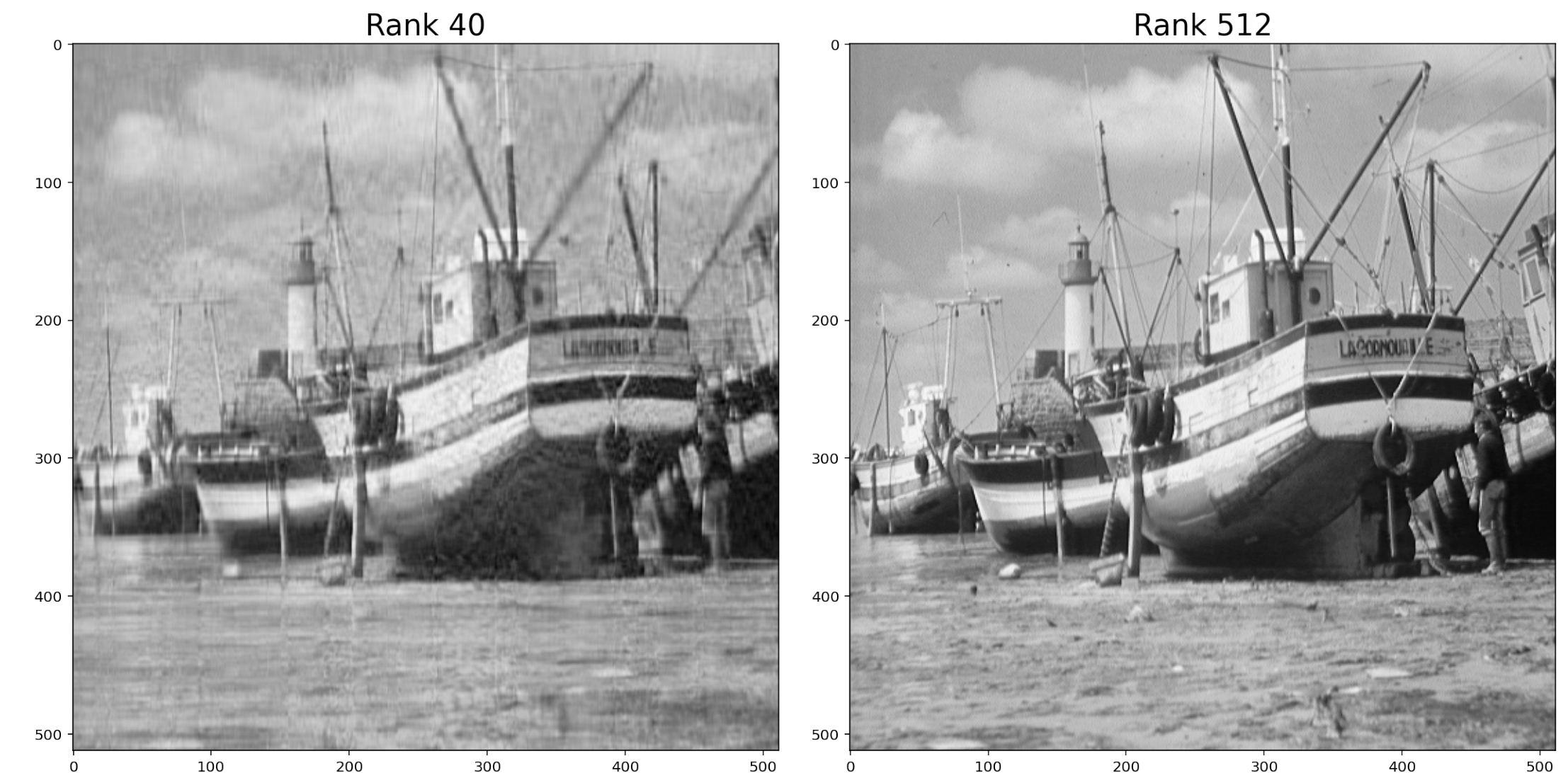


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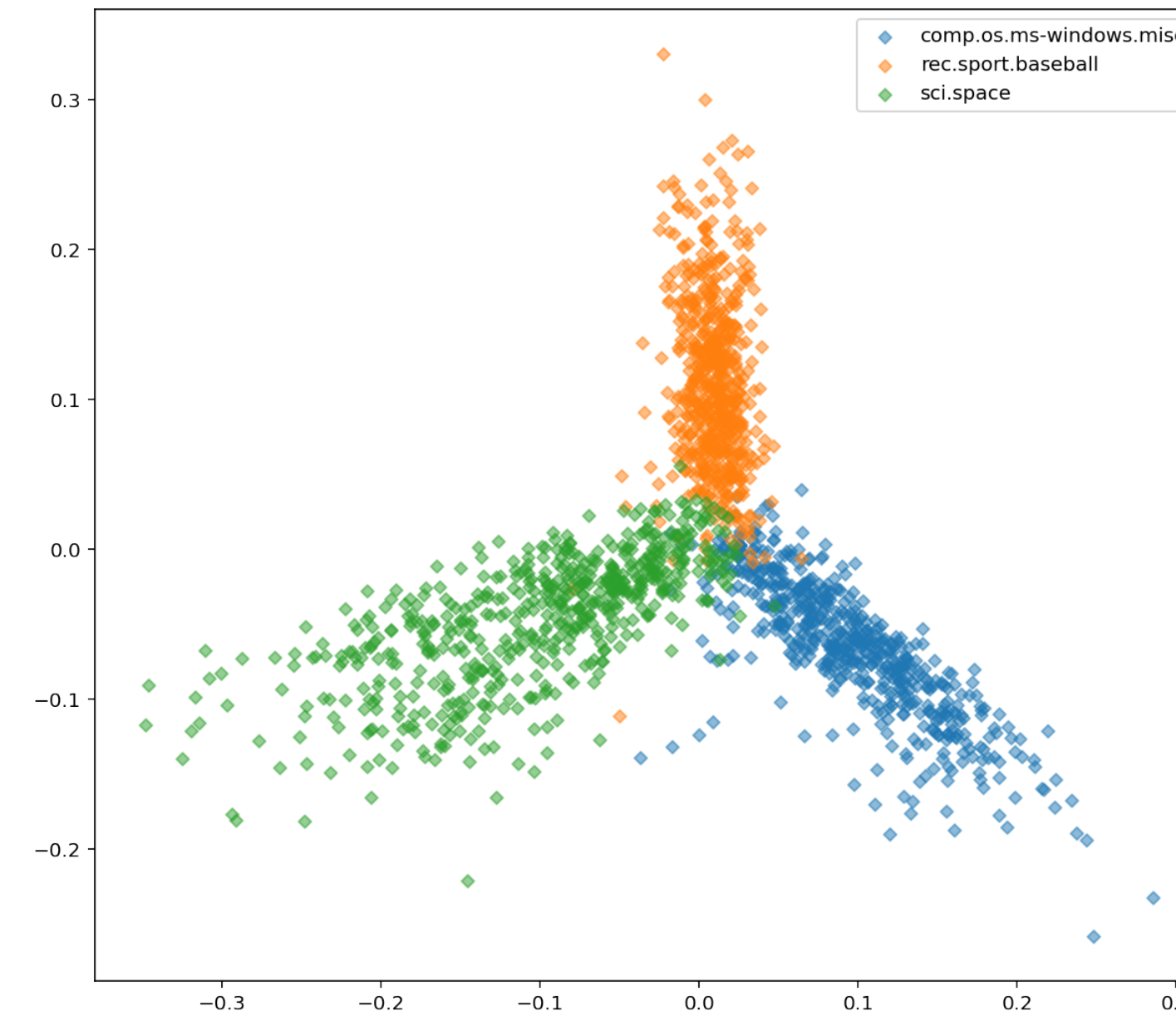
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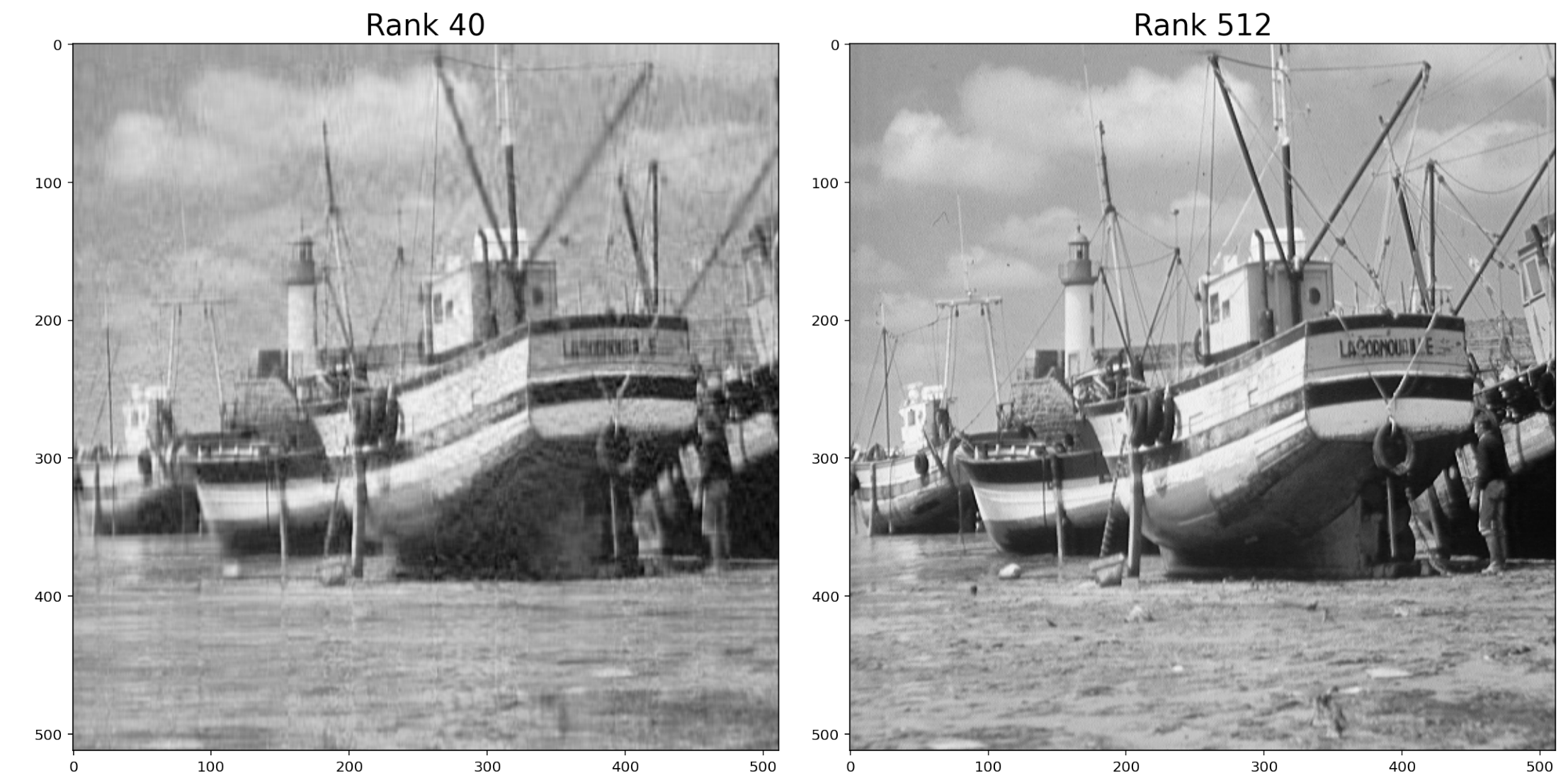


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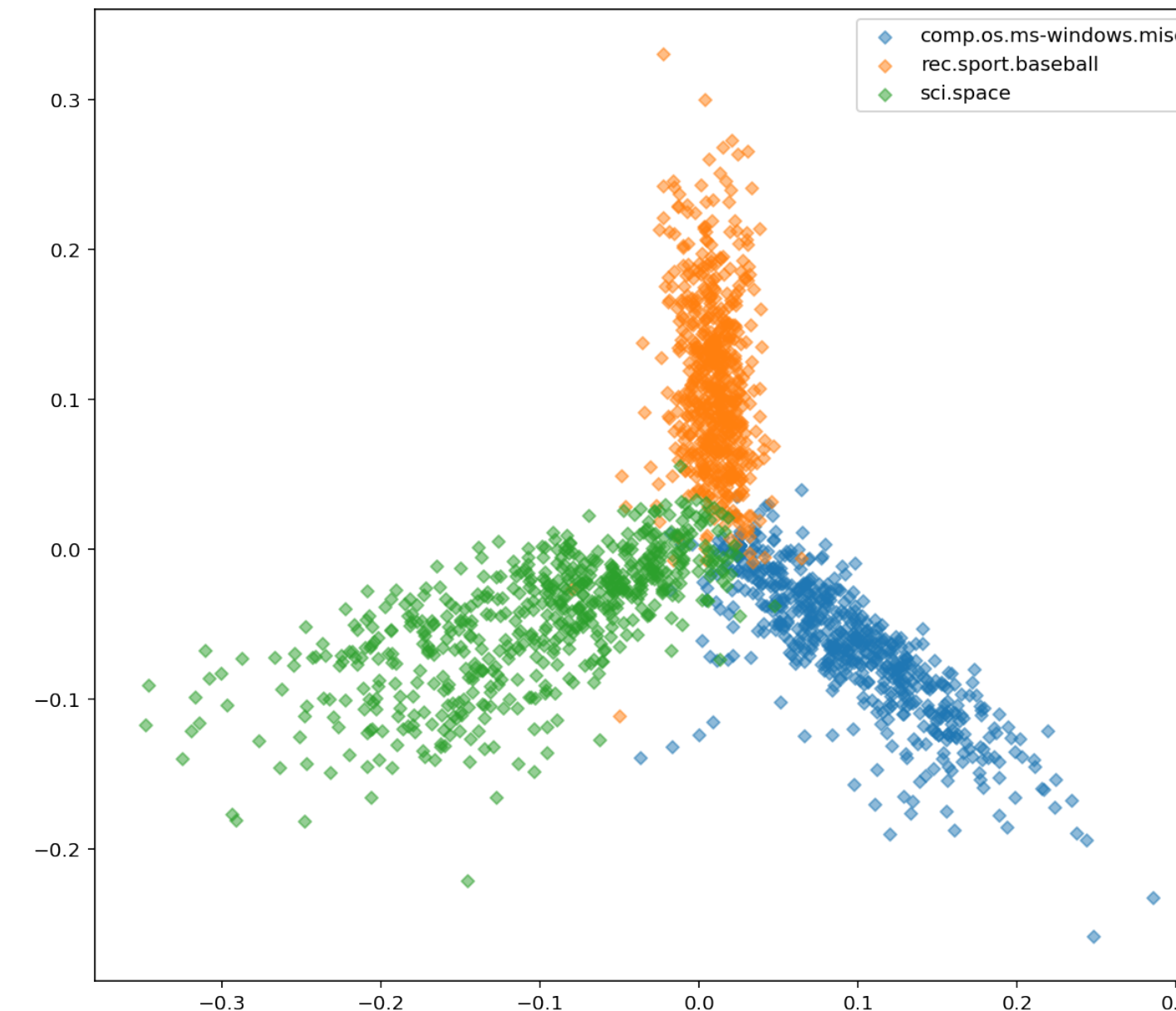
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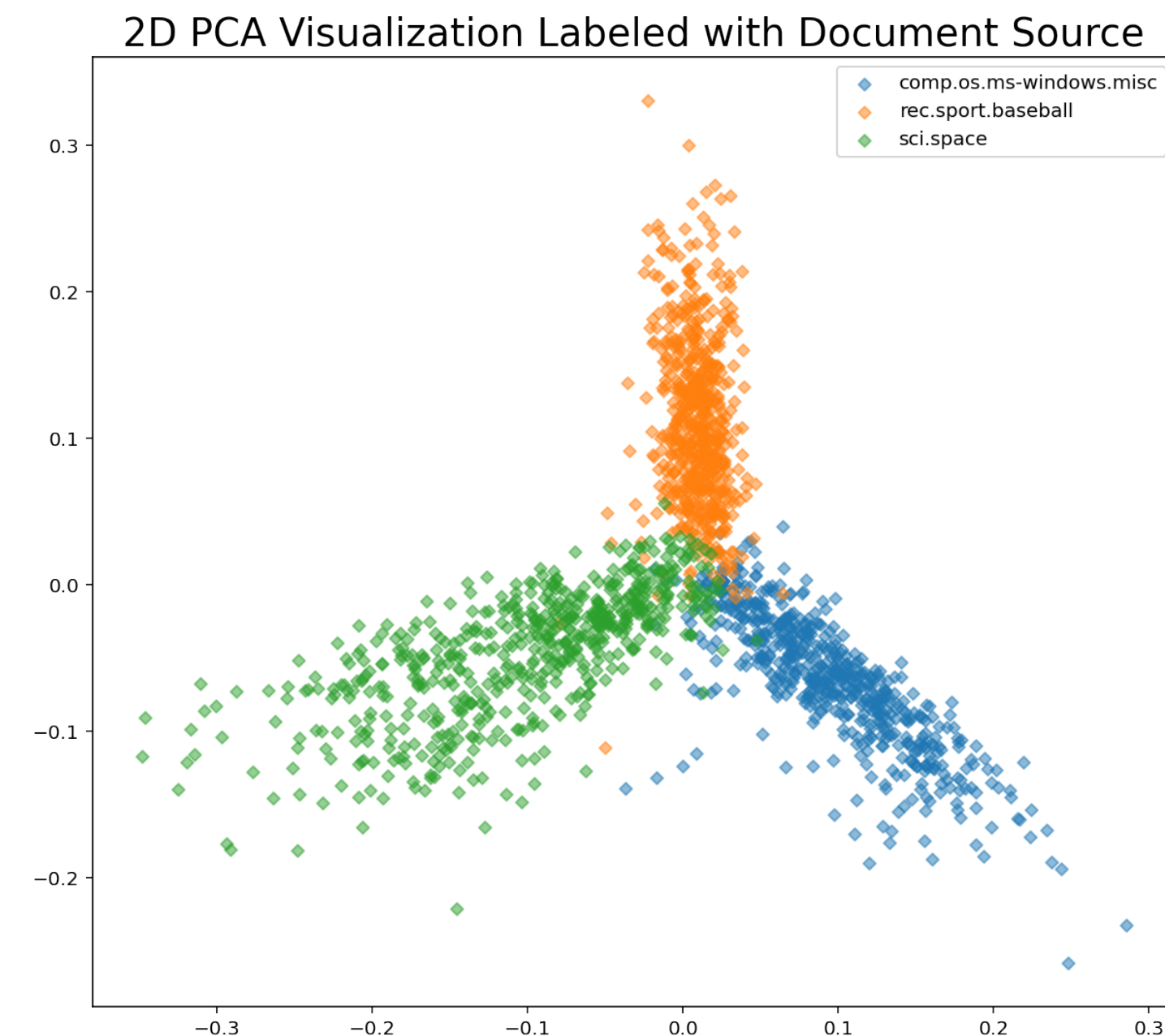
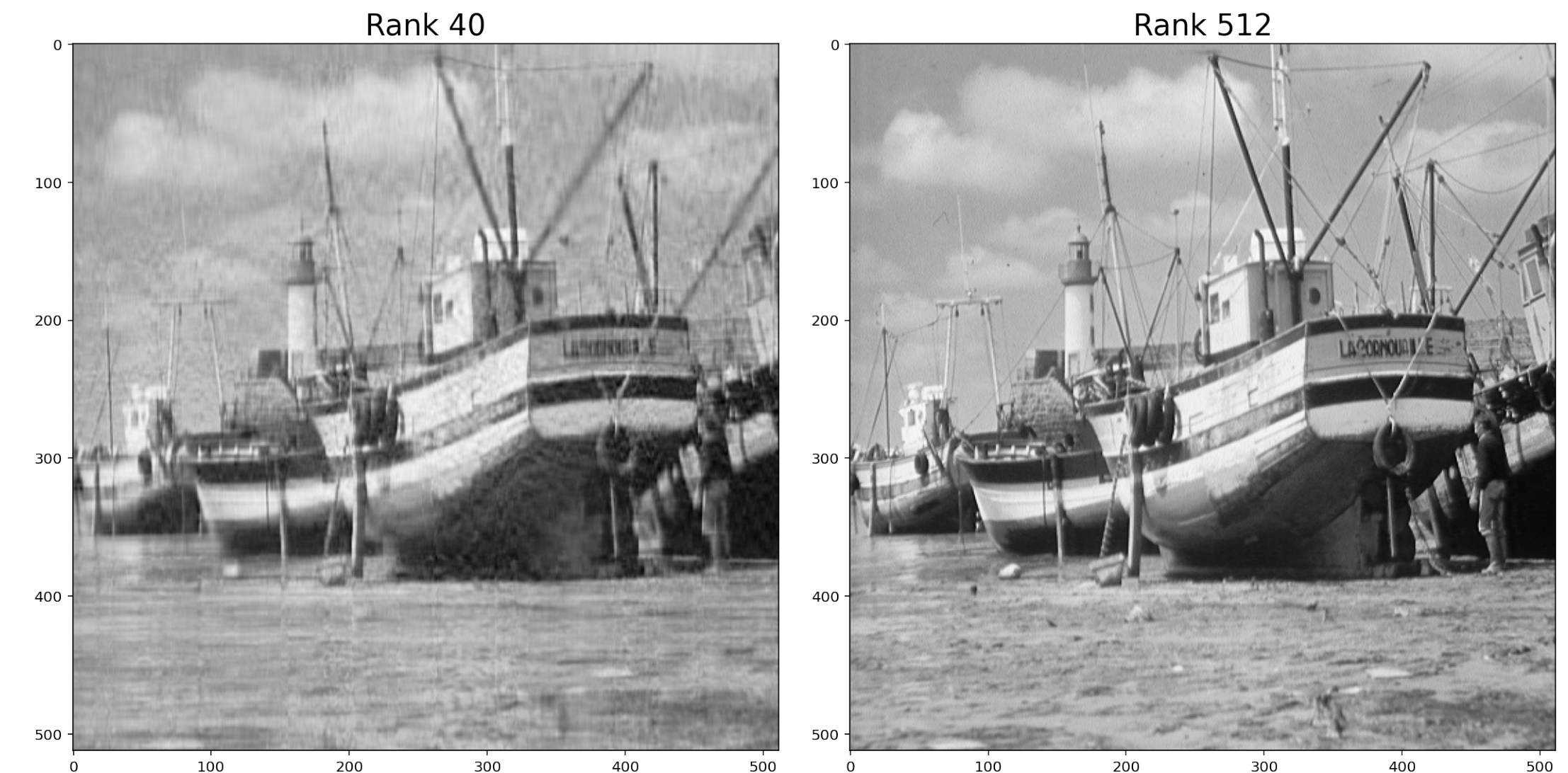


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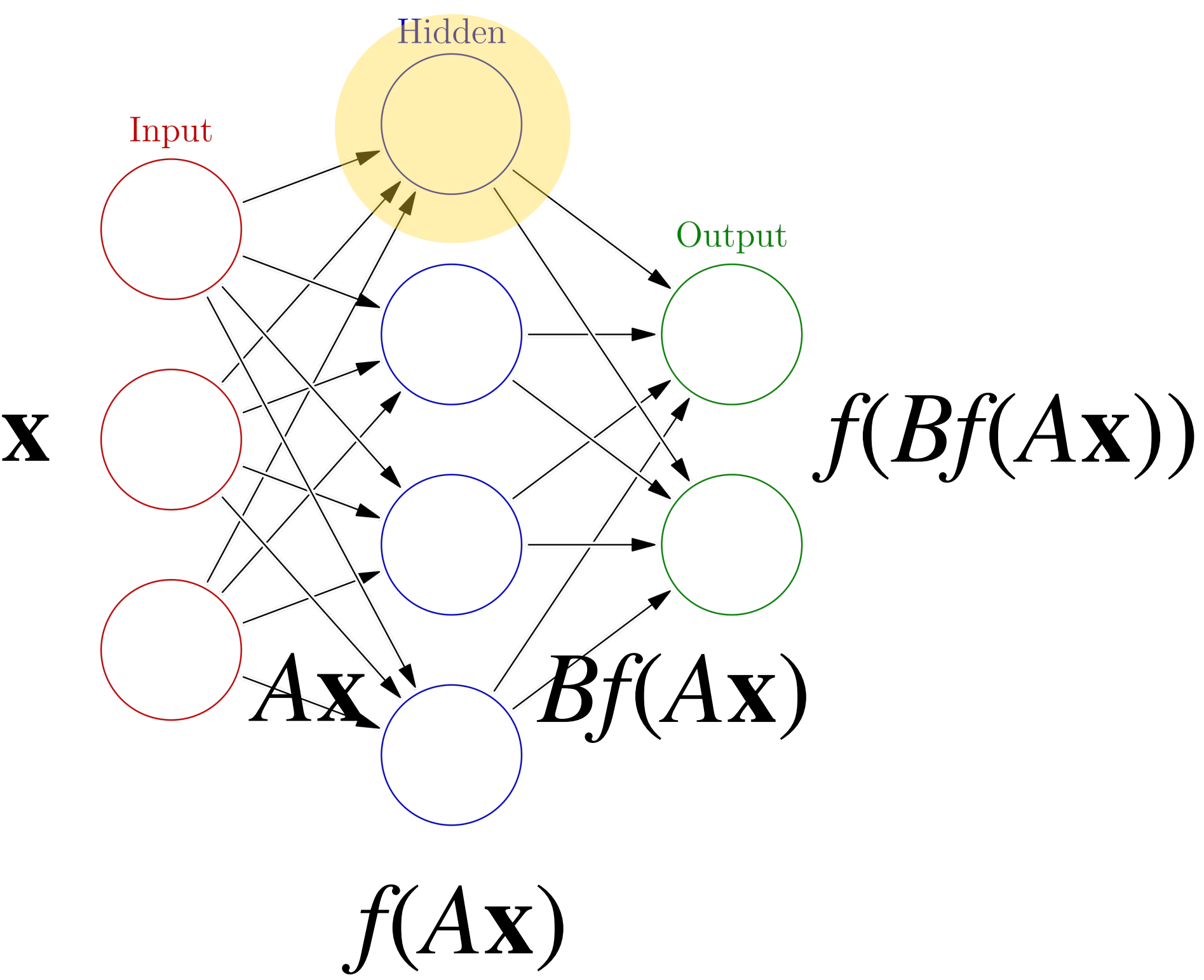
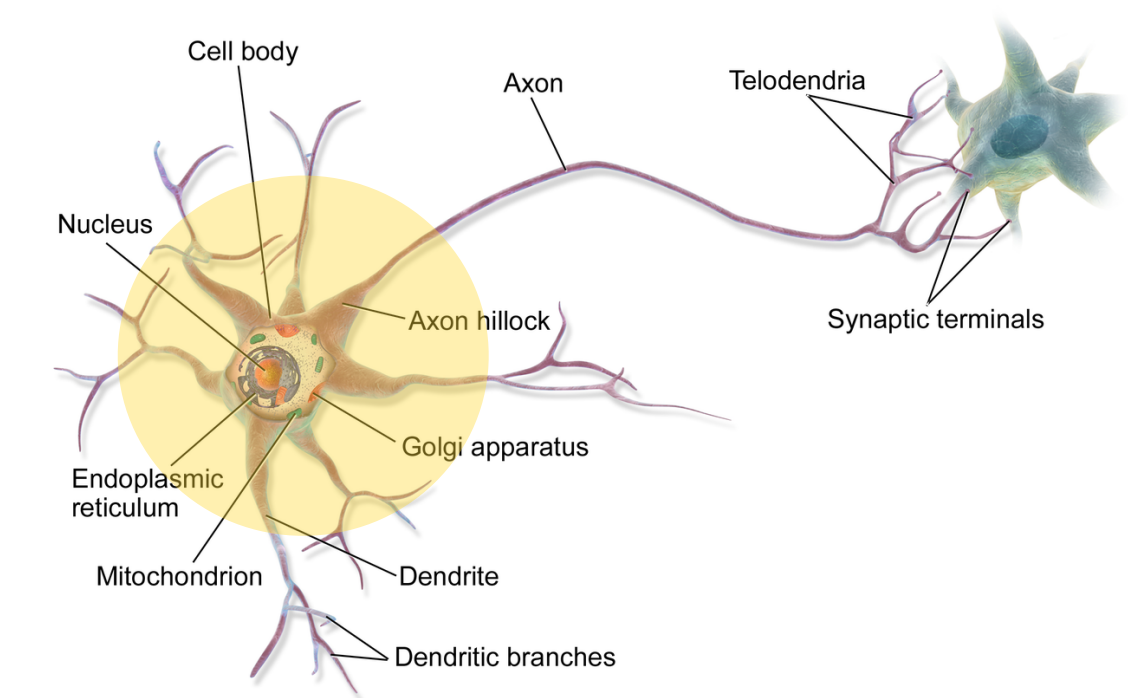
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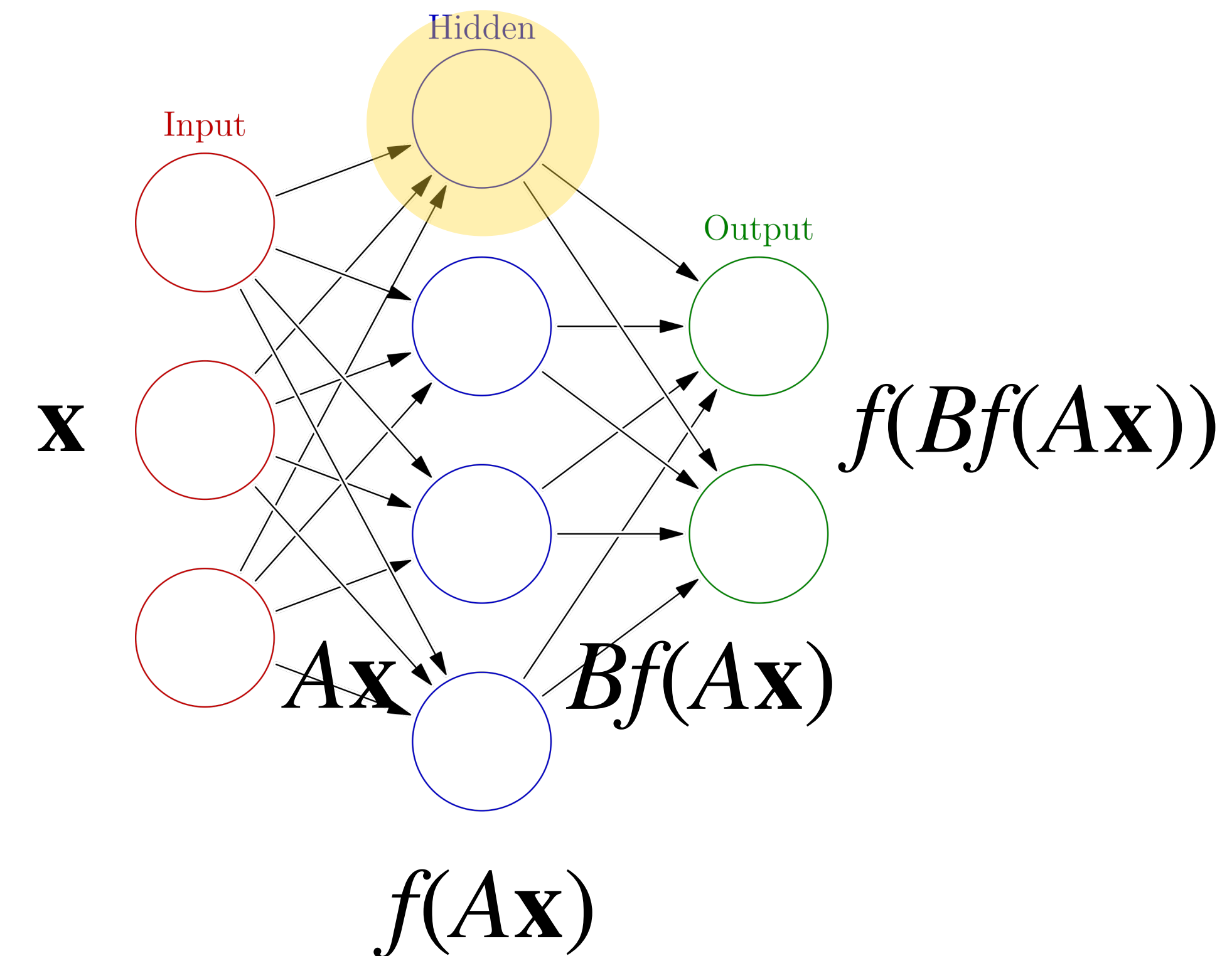
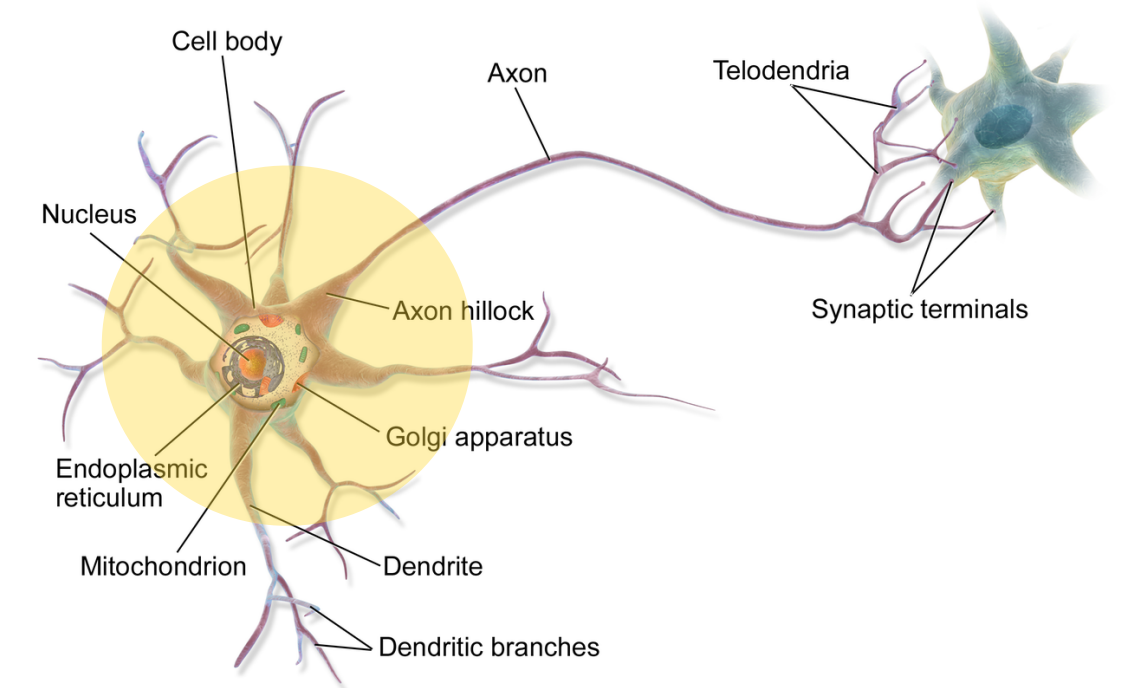
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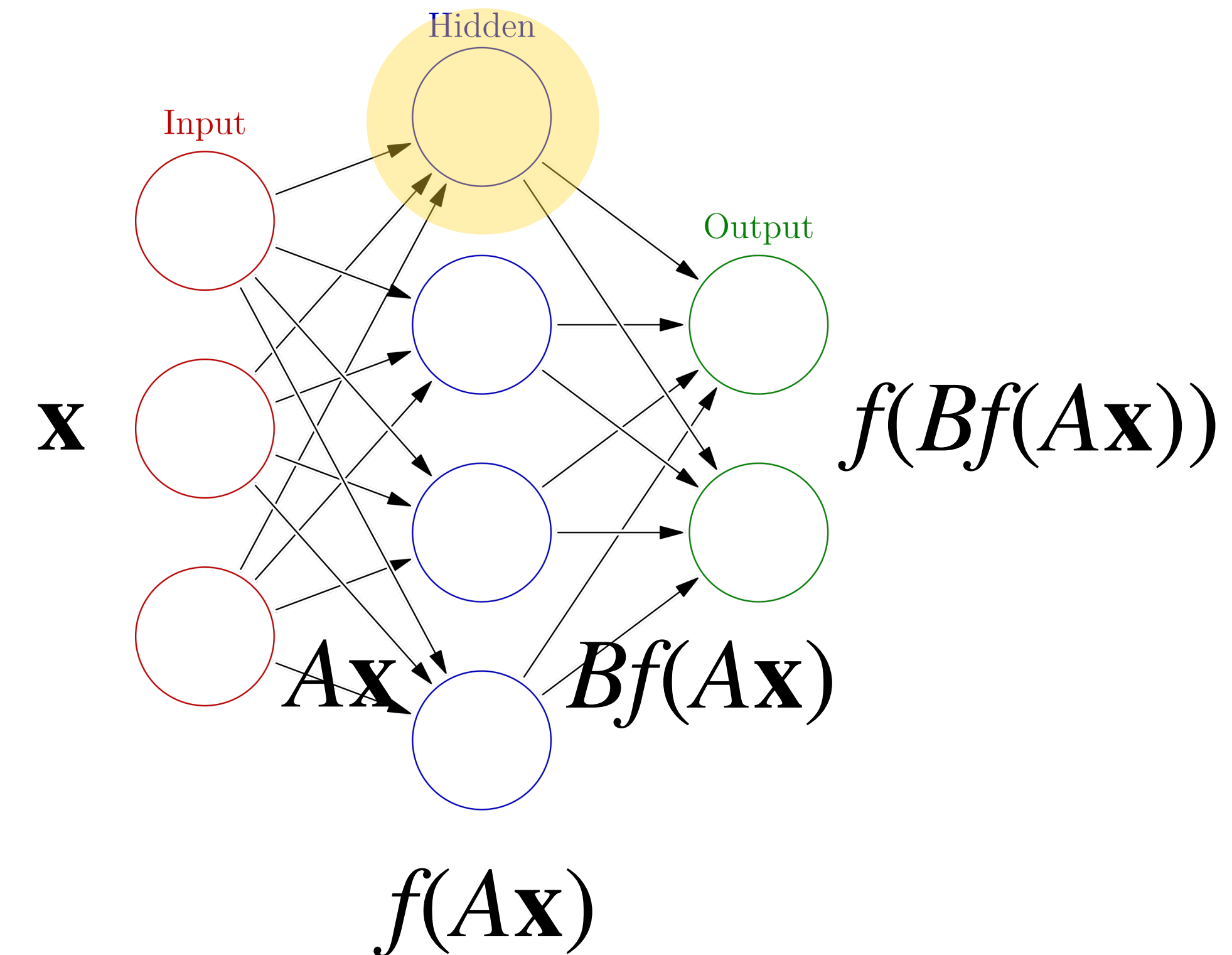
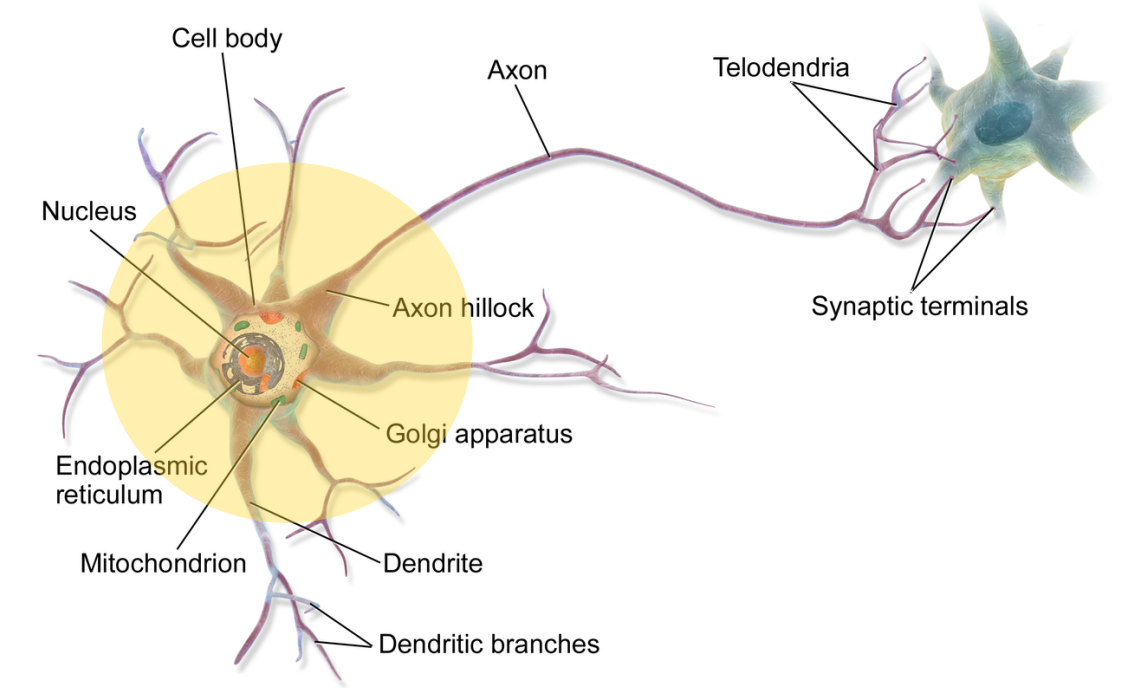
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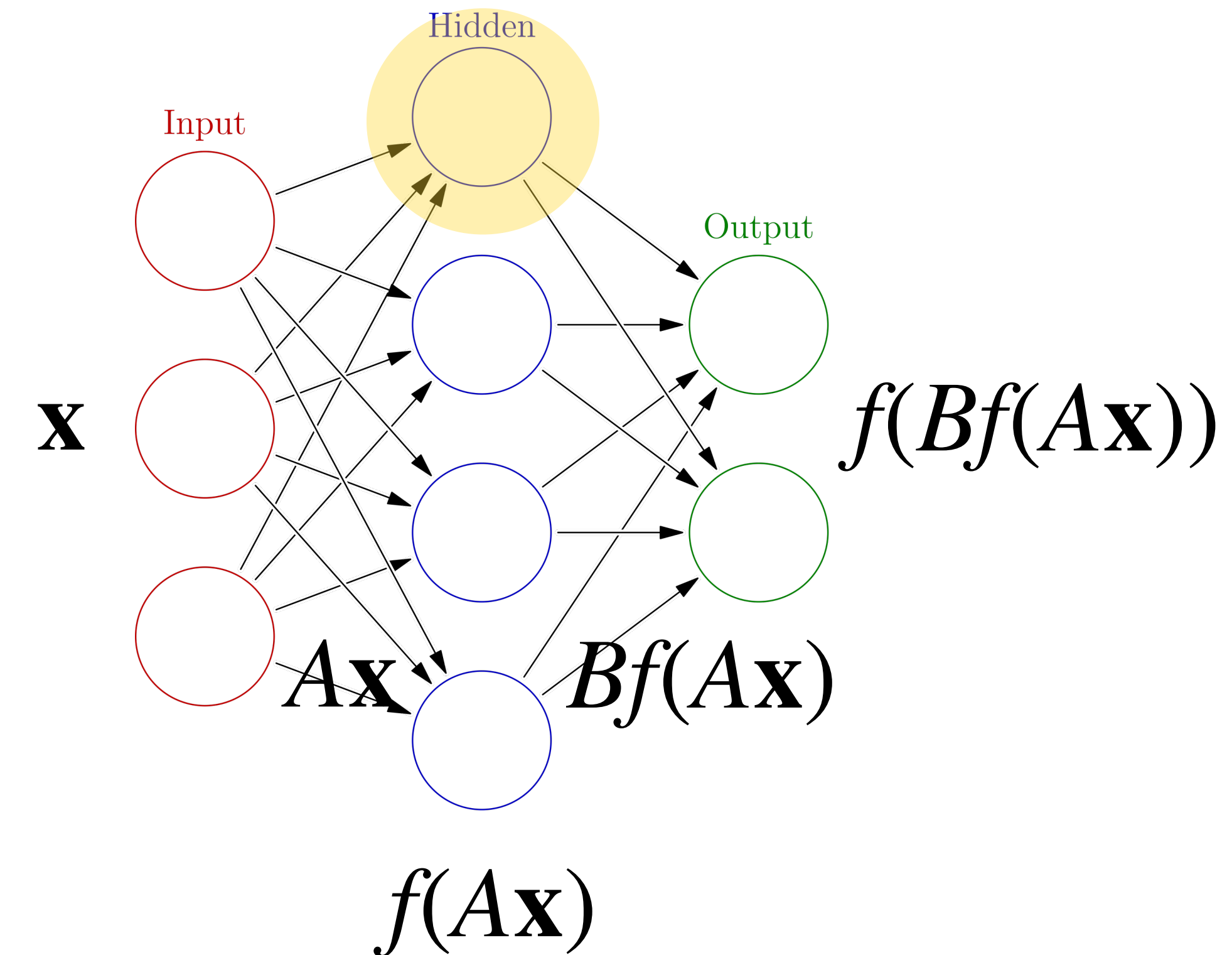
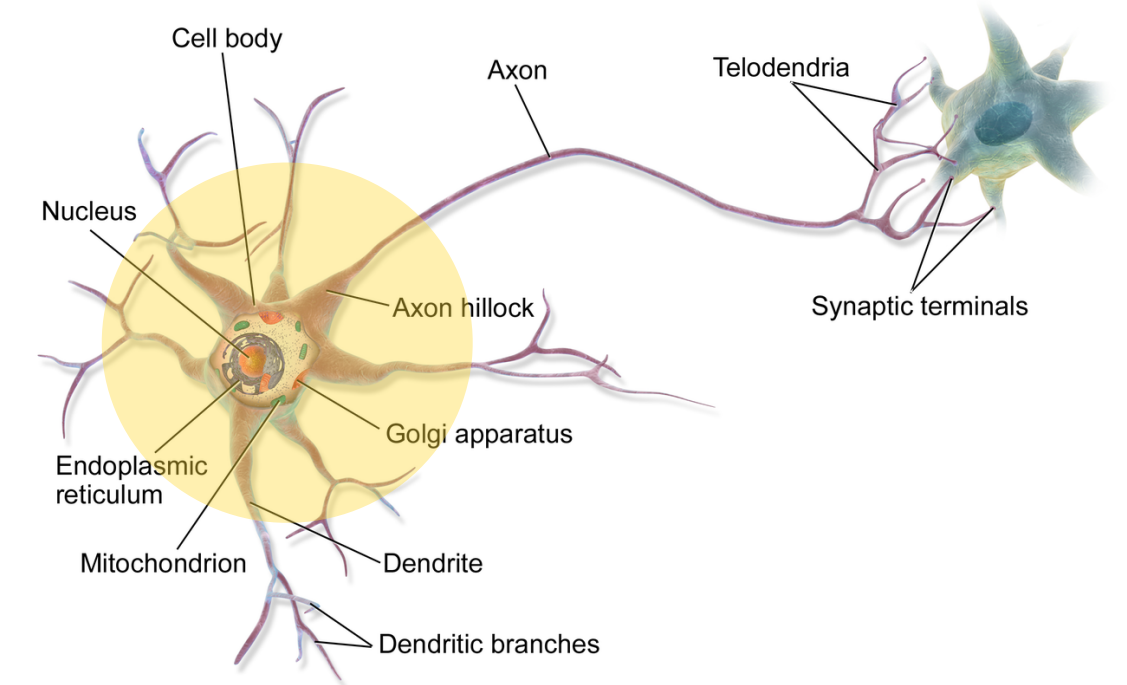


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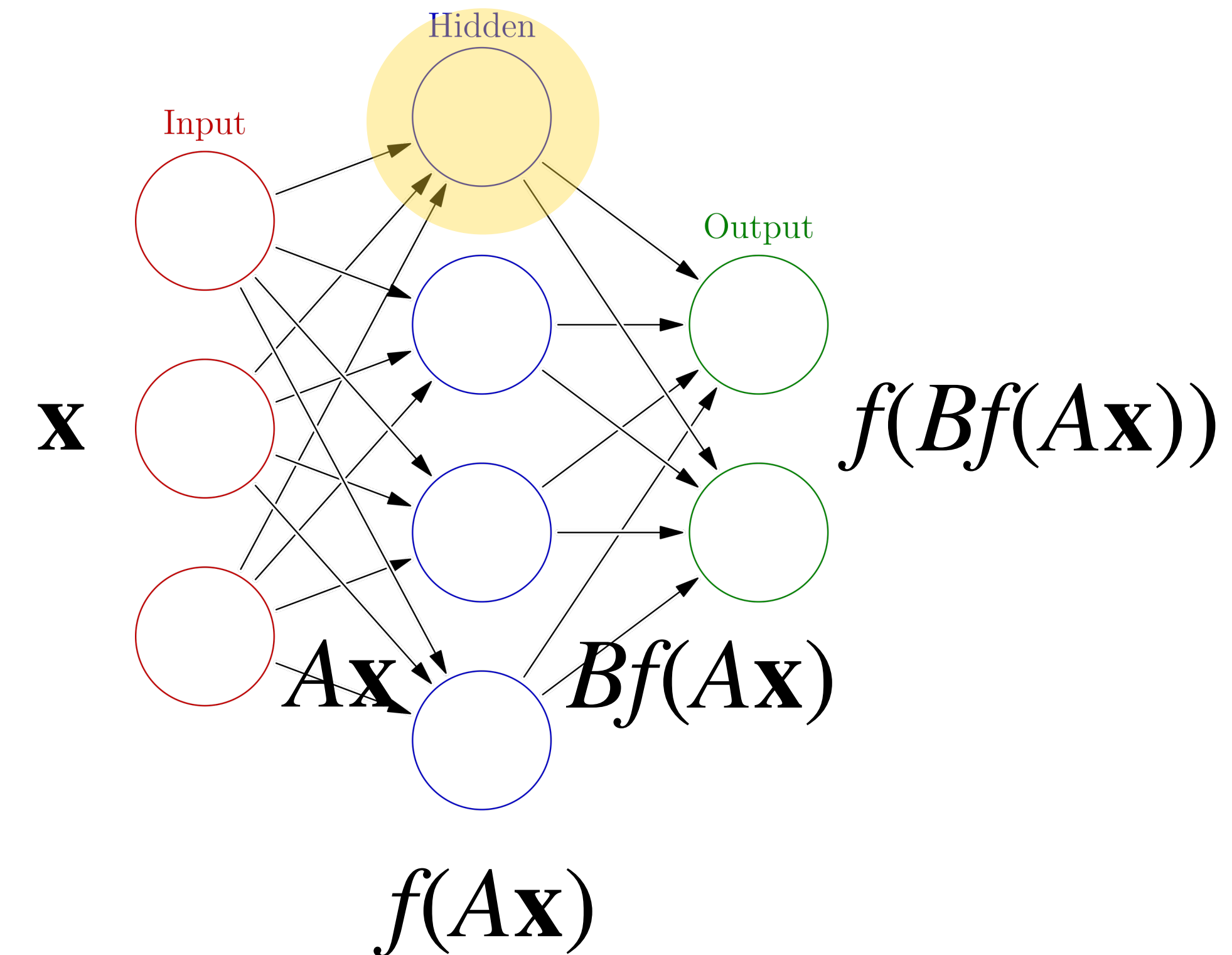
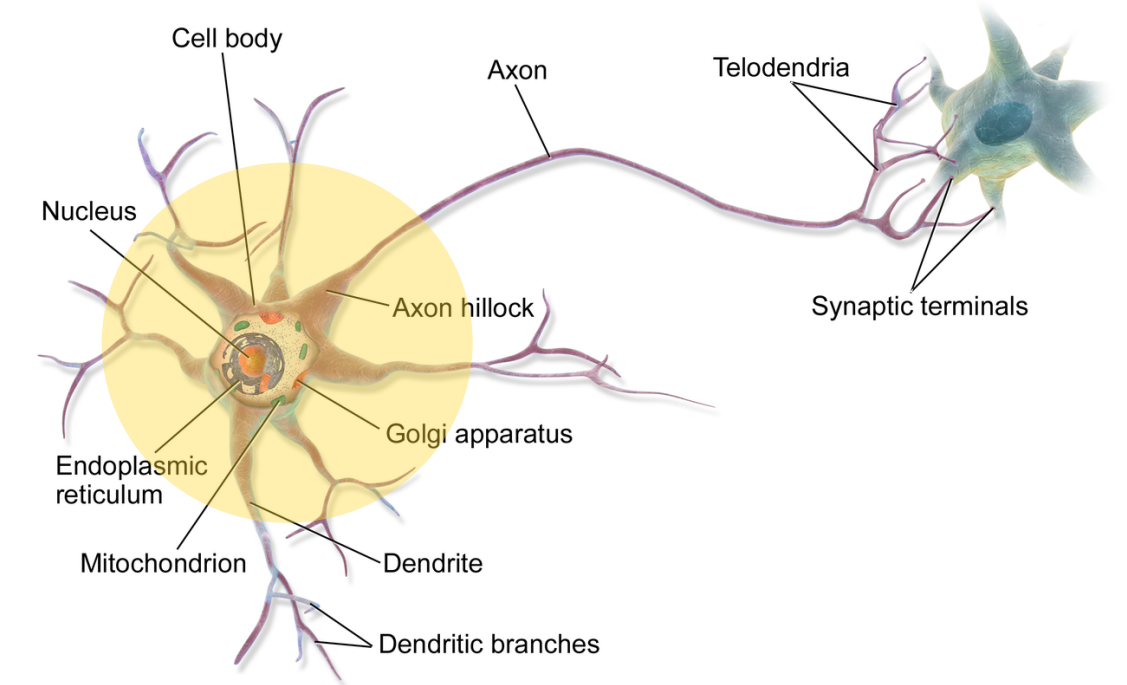
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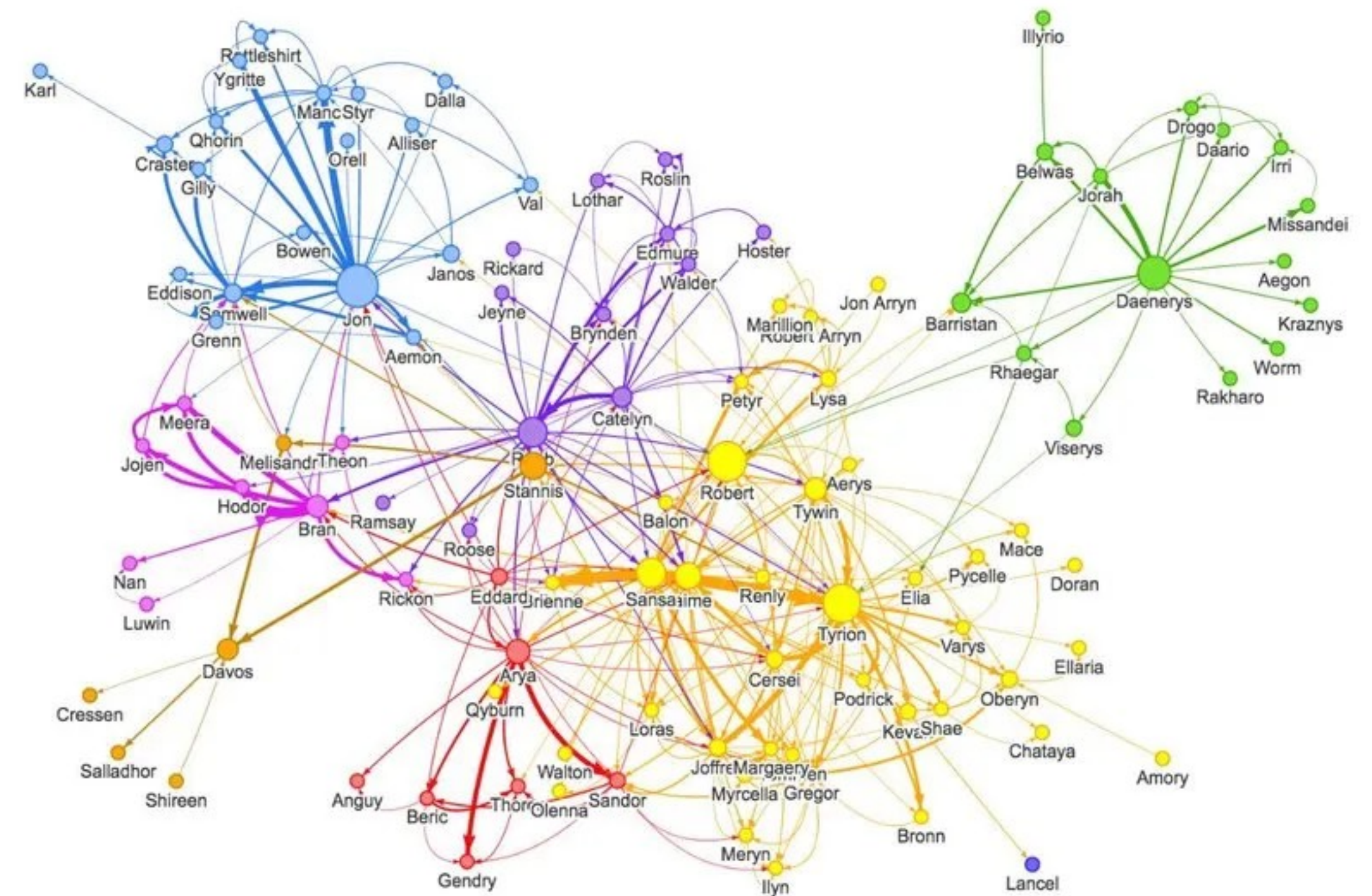
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Spectral/Algebraic Graph Theory

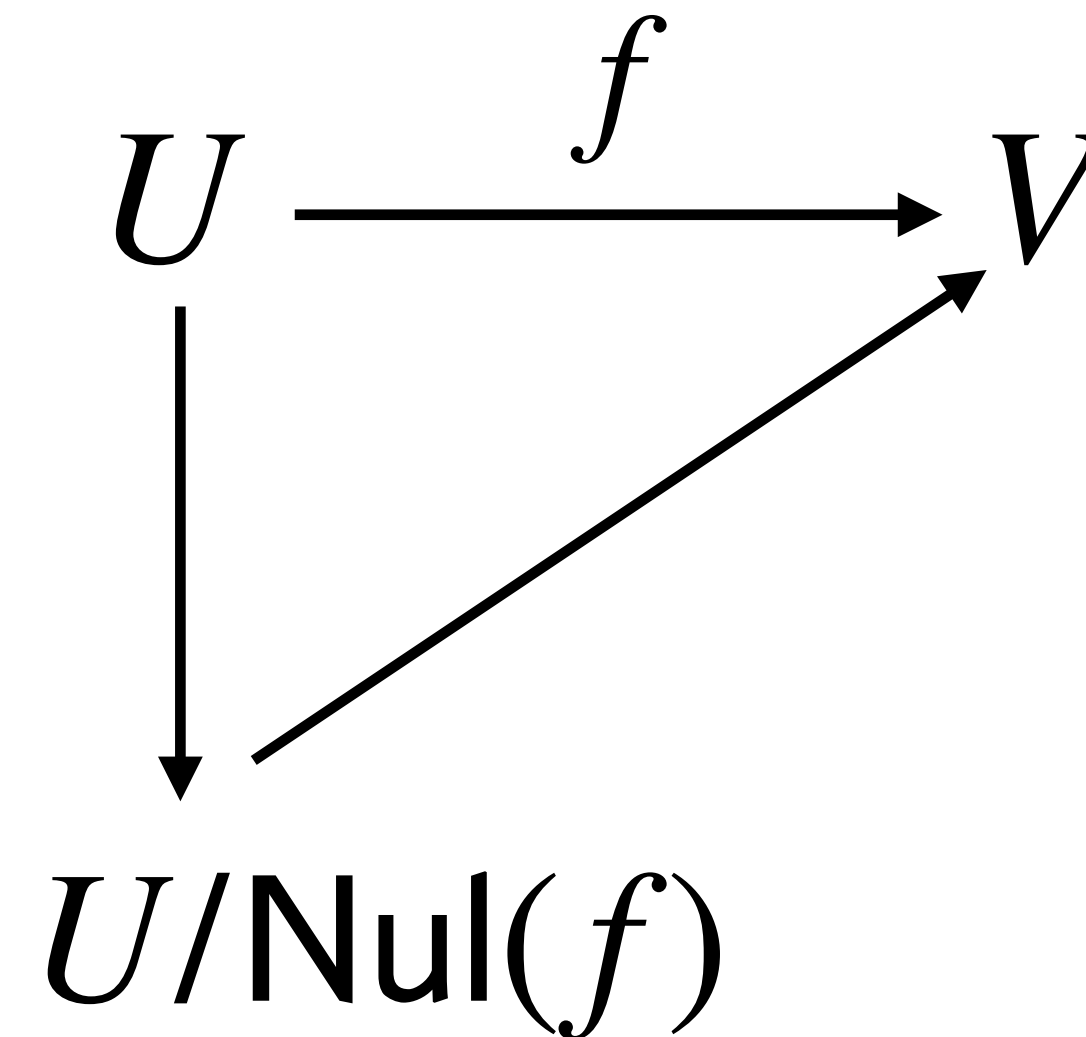
Graphs can be viewed as matrices.

The finding eigenvalues in graphs can give us better clustering and cutting algorithms.



Abstract Algebra

$$\frac{U}{\text{Nul}(f)} \cong \text{Range}(f)$$



There's a lot of beautiful structure in the algebra we've done in this course.

And there are lots of directions to go from here (infinite dimensional spaces, less restrictive settings like groups and modules,...)

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Some of these may not exist anymore...

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