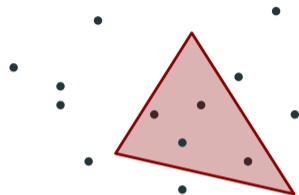


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Shaving Logs in Multi-Level Data Structures



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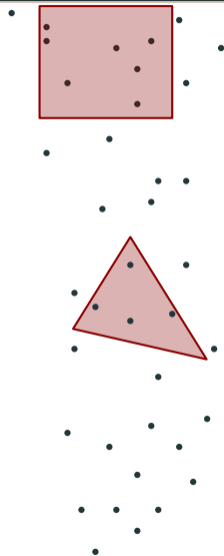


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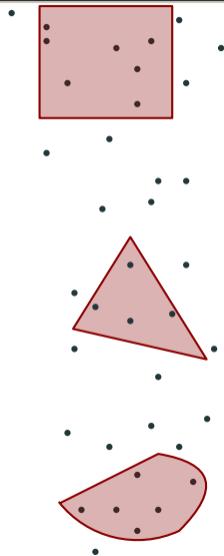


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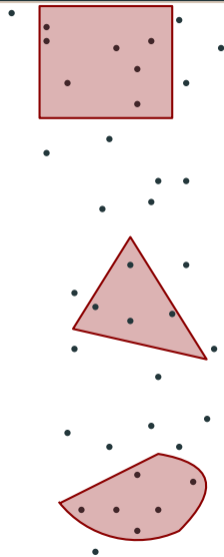
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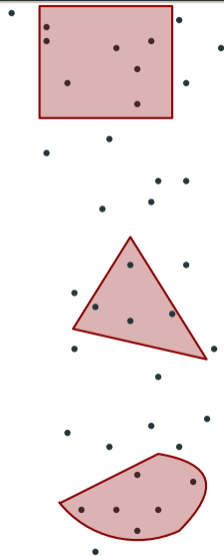
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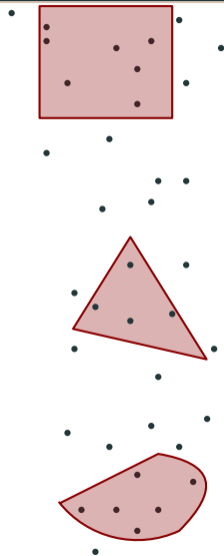
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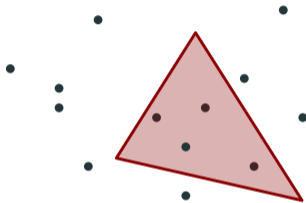
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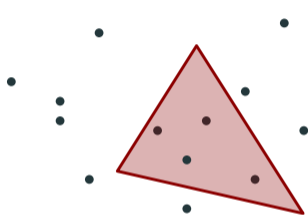
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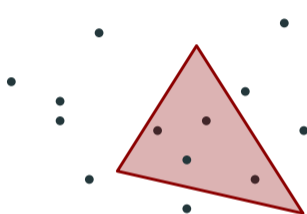


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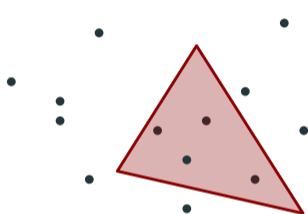
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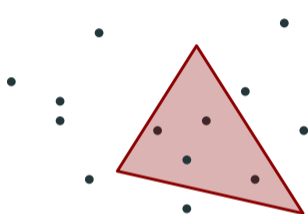
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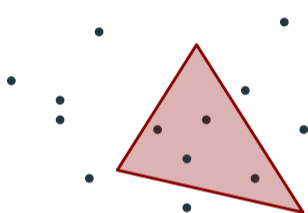


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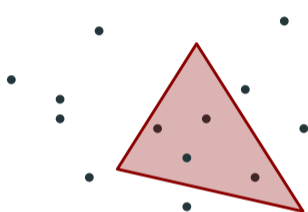


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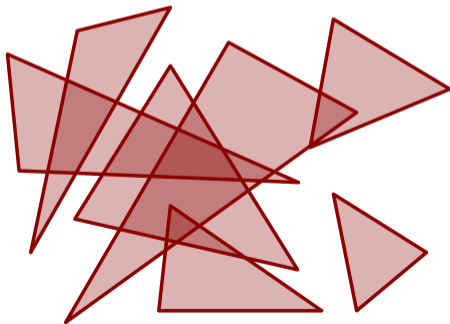


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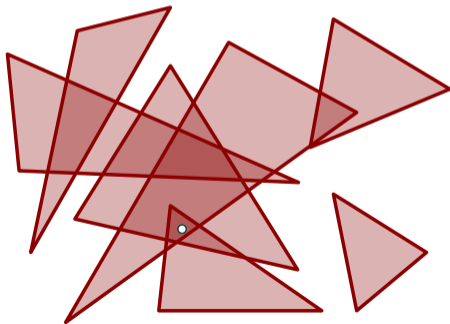
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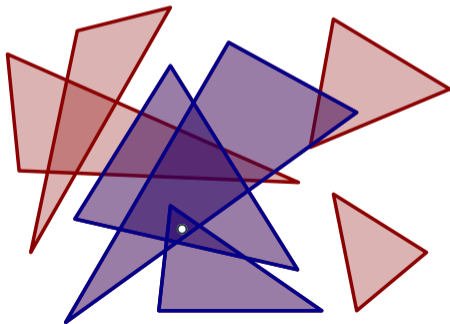
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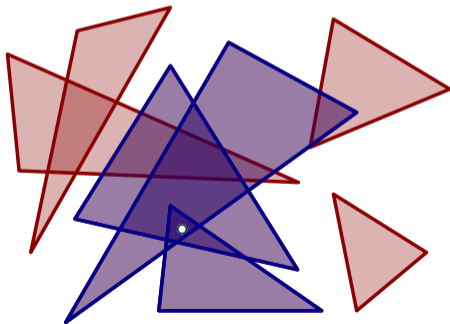


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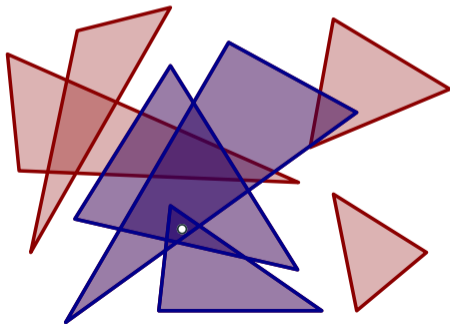
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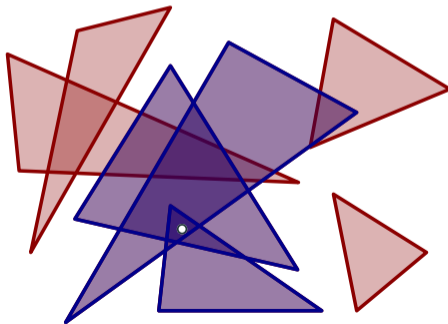
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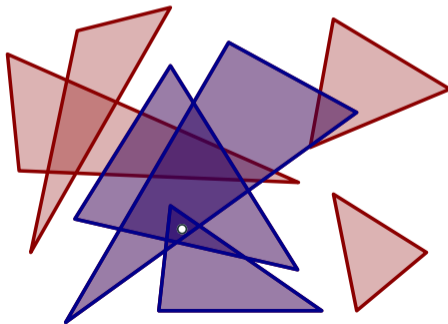
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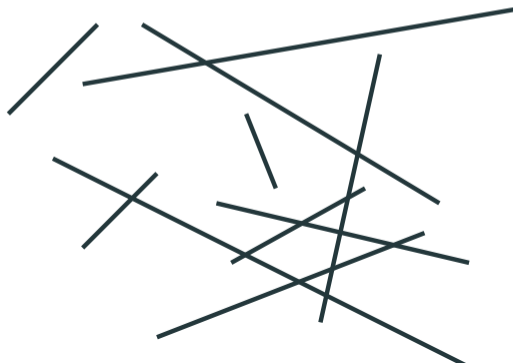


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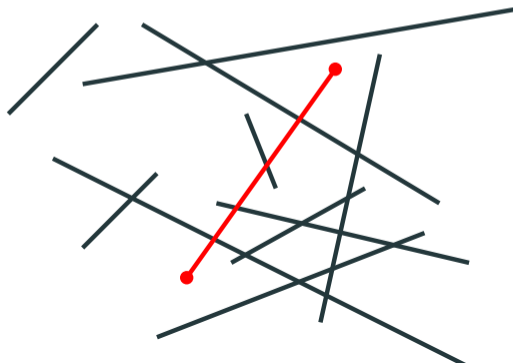
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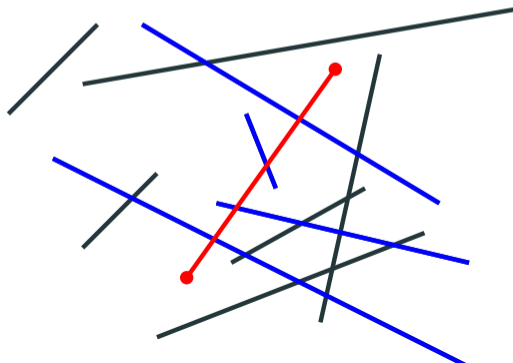
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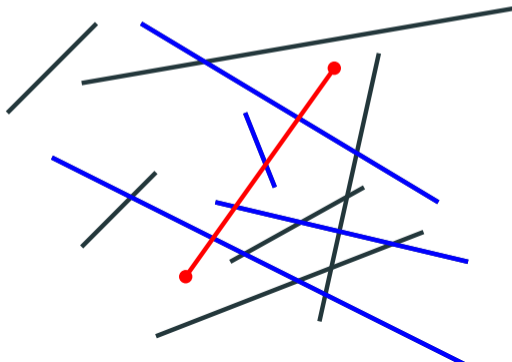


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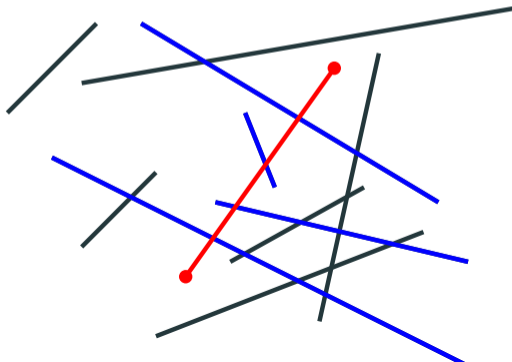
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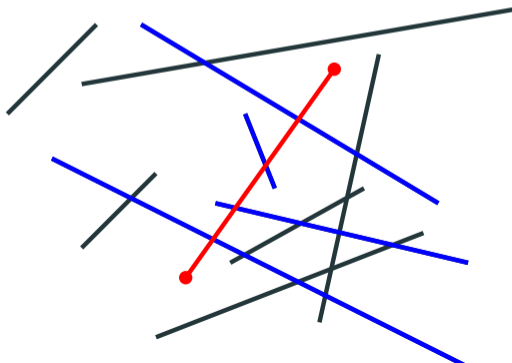
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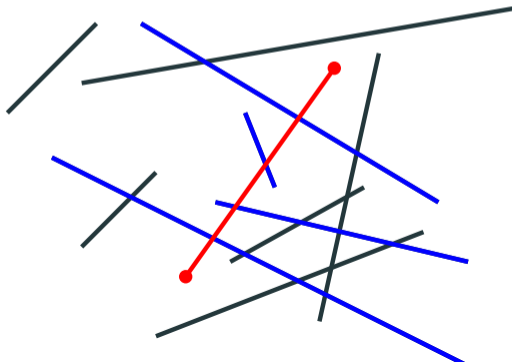
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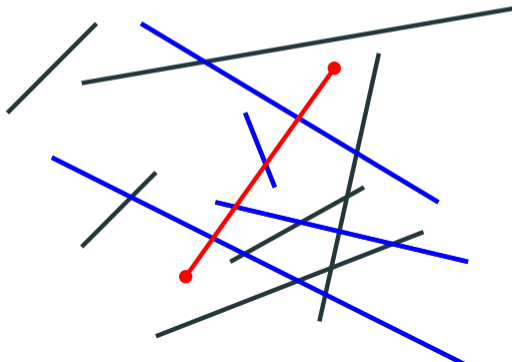
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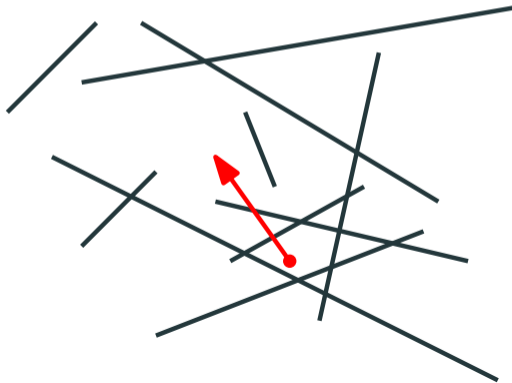


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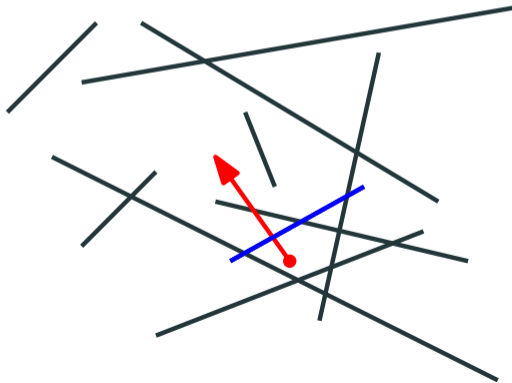
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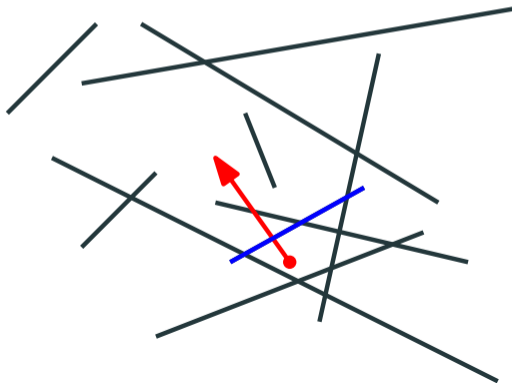


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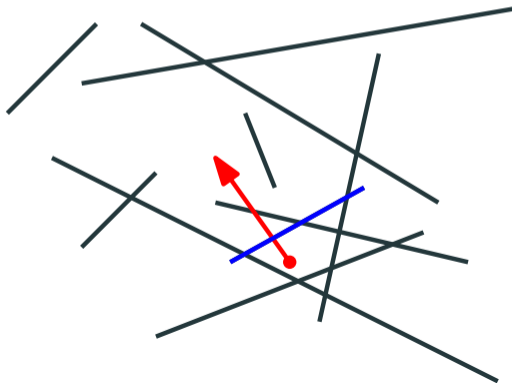
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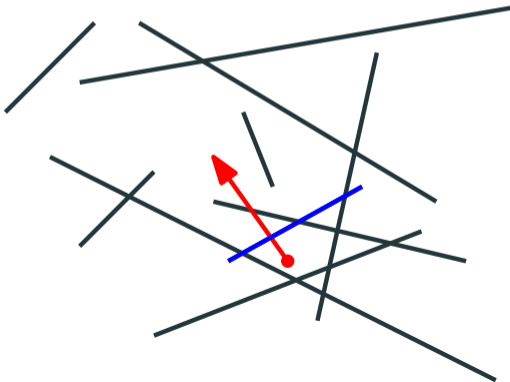
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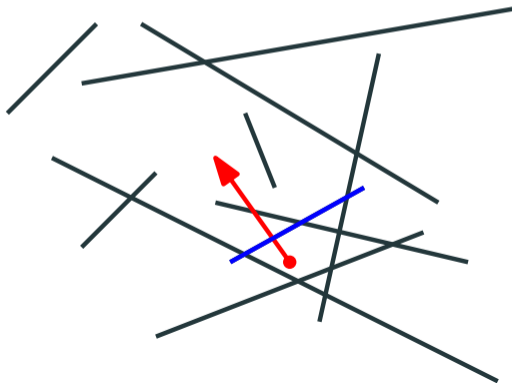
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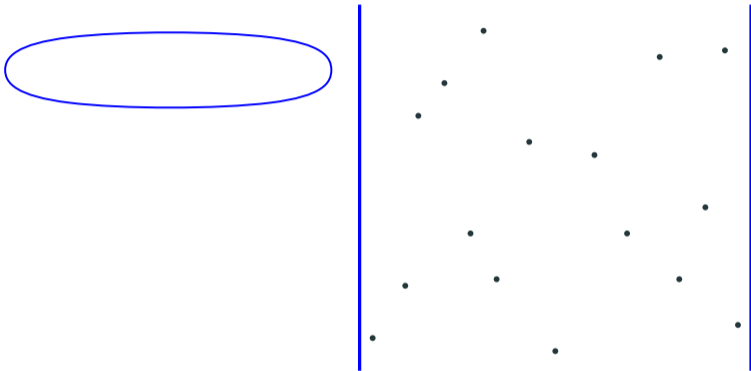
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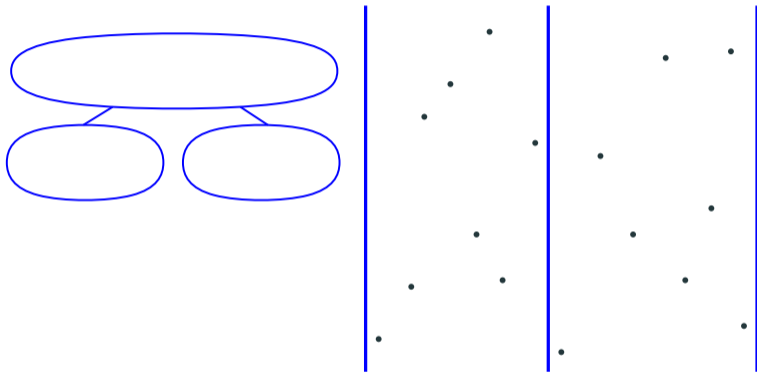
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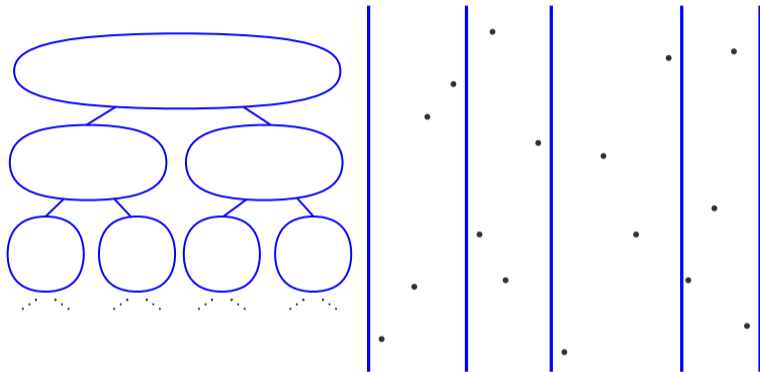
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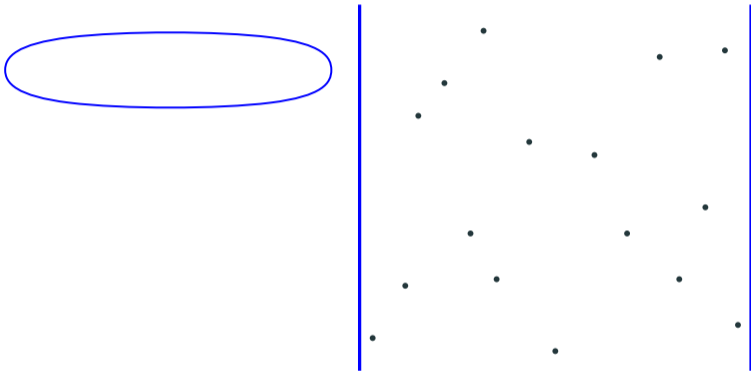
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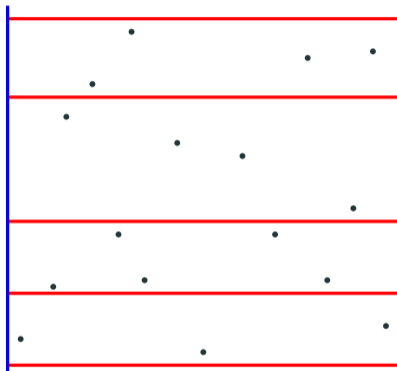
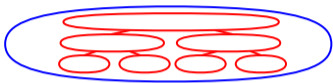
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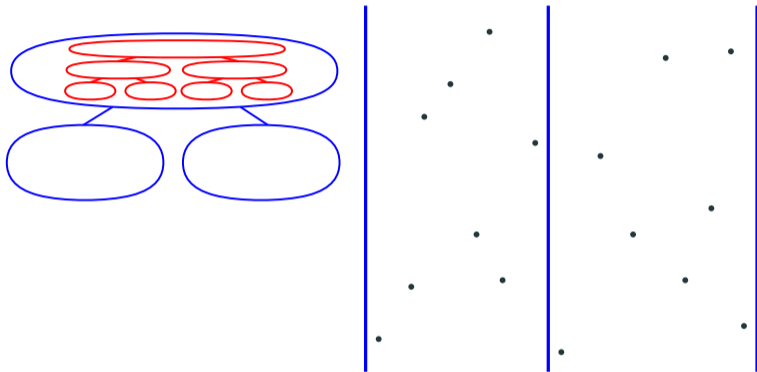
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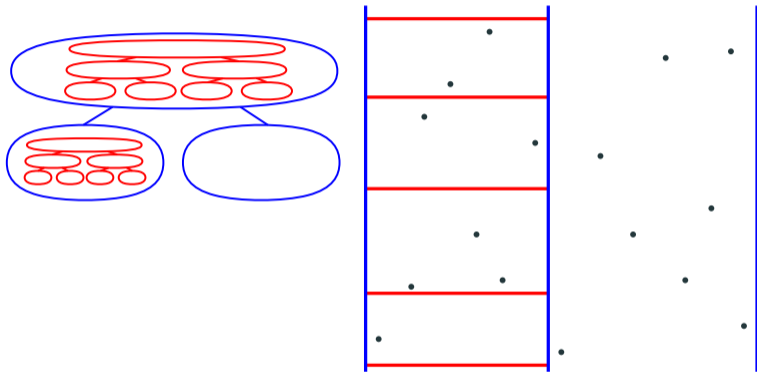
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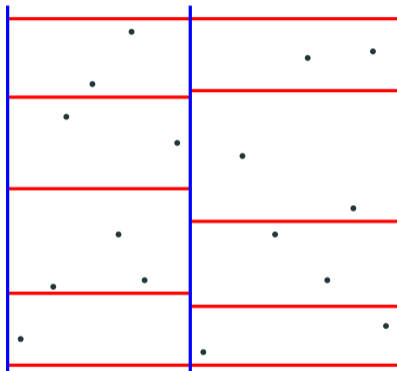
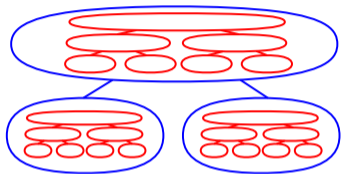
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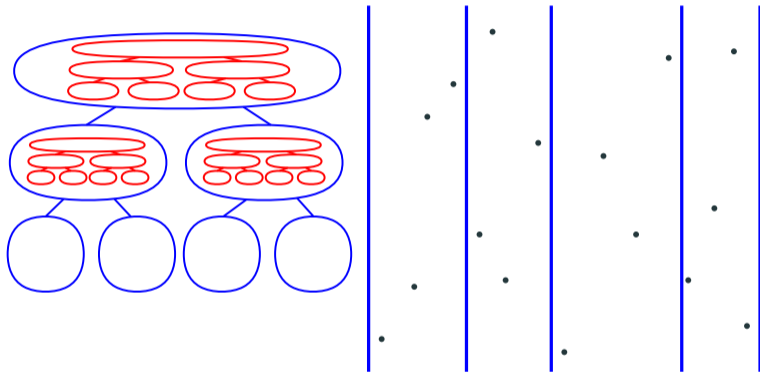
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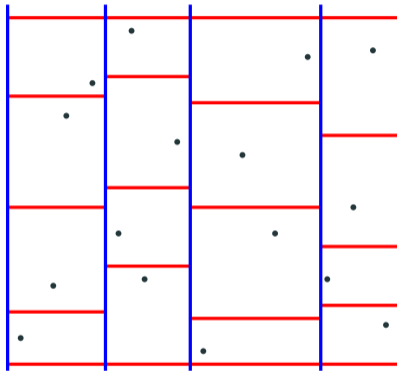
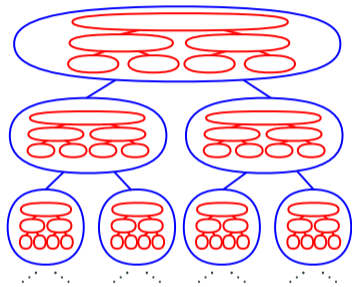
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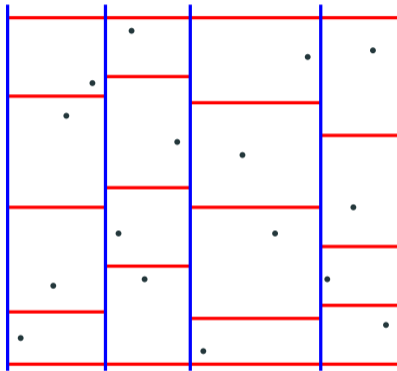
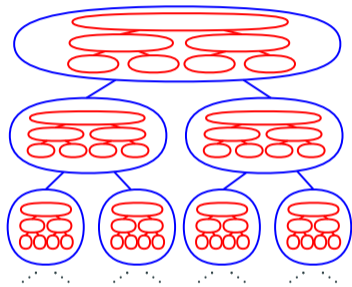
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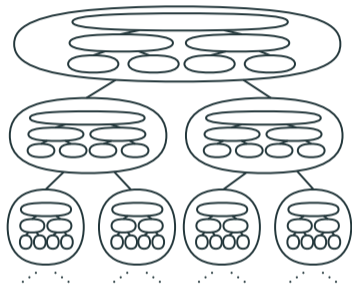
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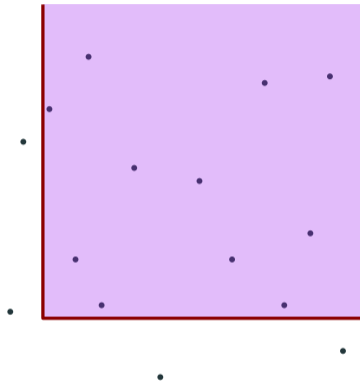
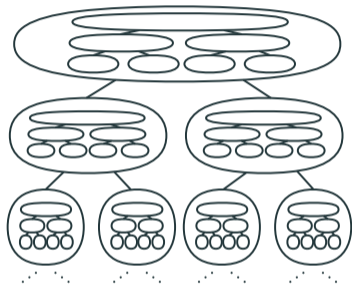
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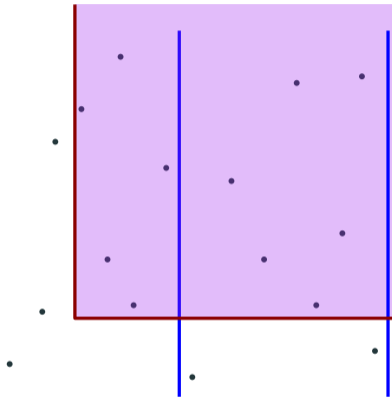
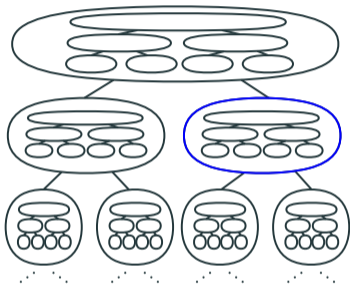
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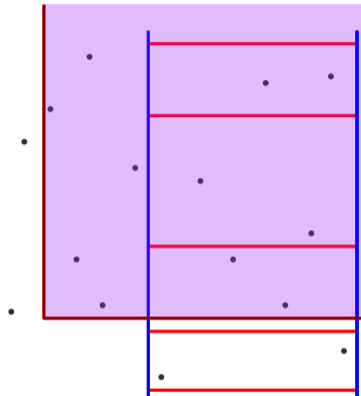
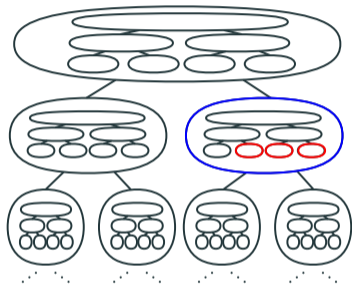
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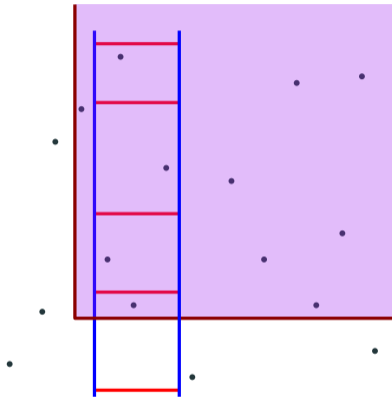
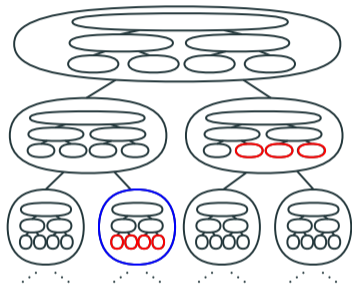
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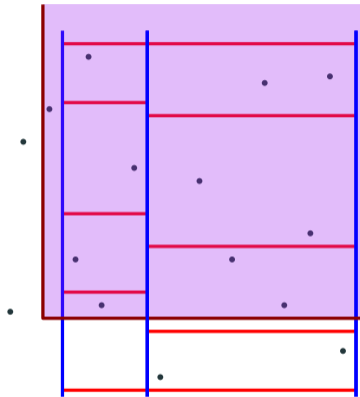
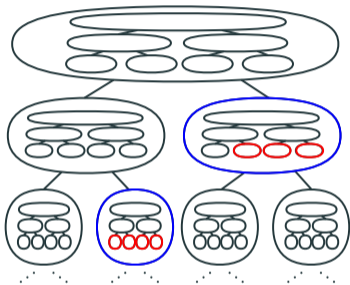
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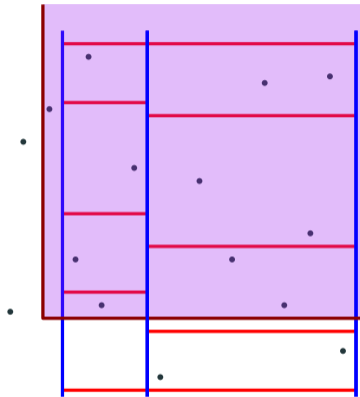
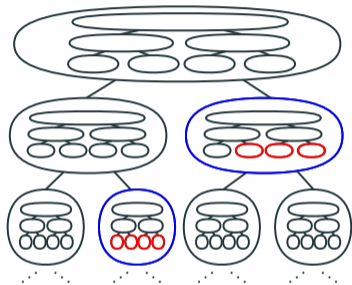


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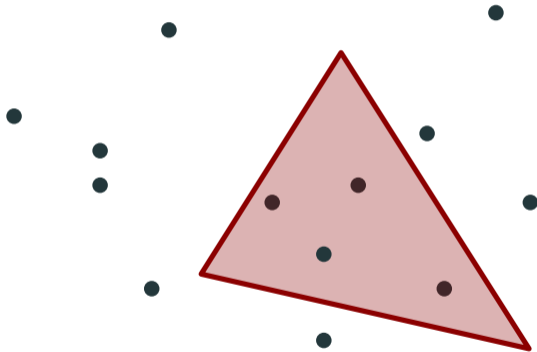
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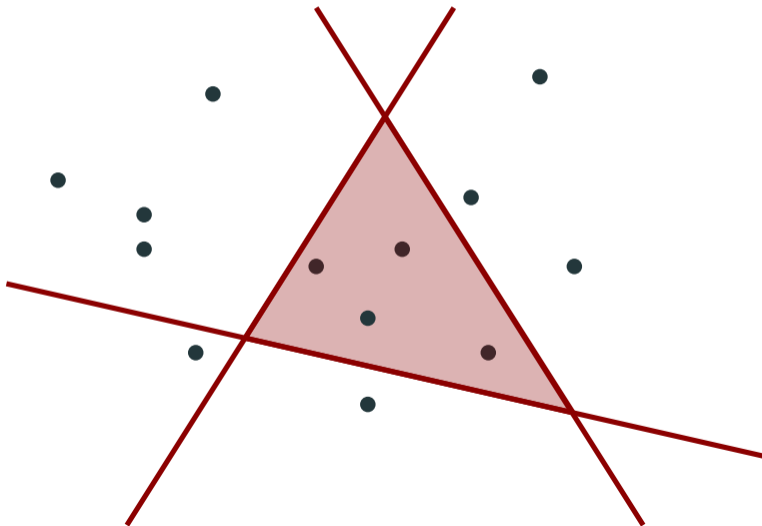


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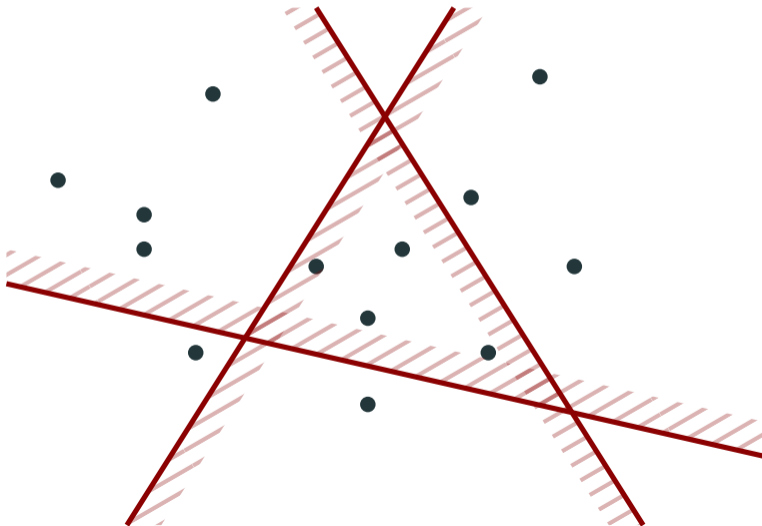
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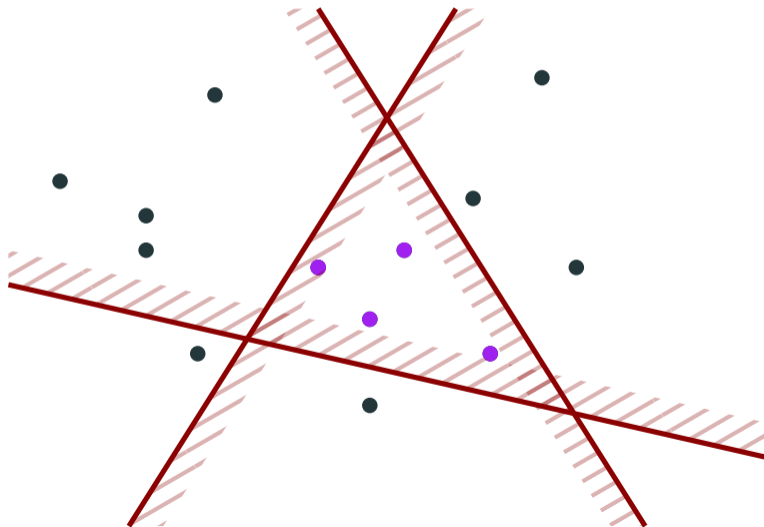
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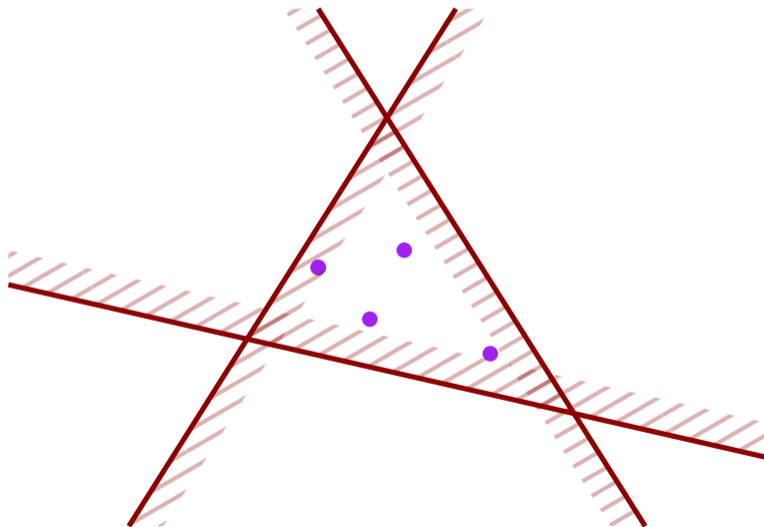
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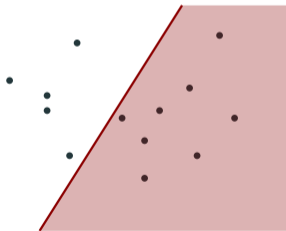


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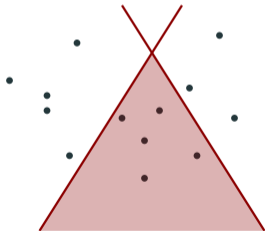
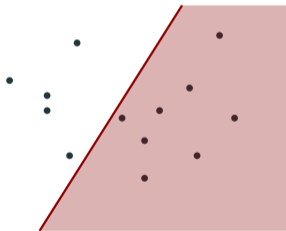
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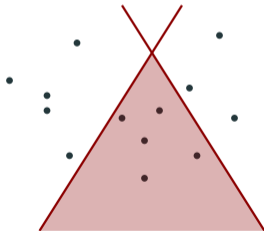
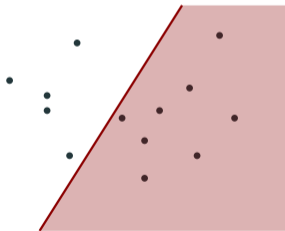
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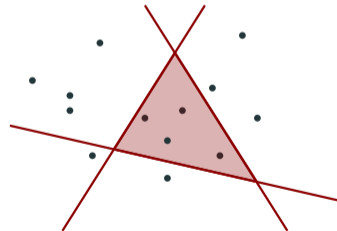
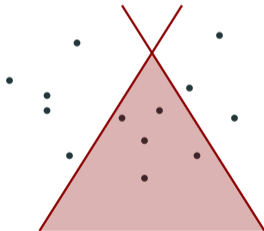
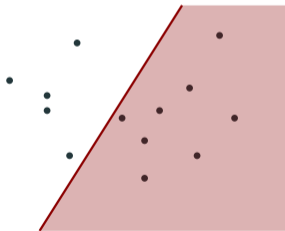
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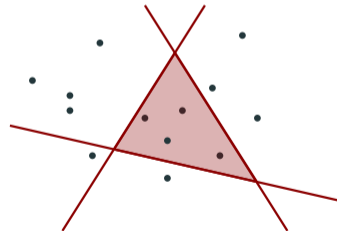
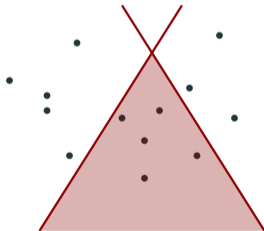
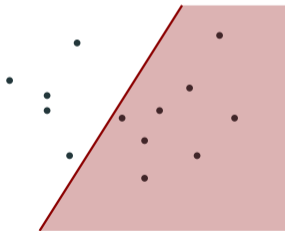
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$(d + 1)$ -halfspace data structure

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$O(\log^{d+1} n)$ time / query



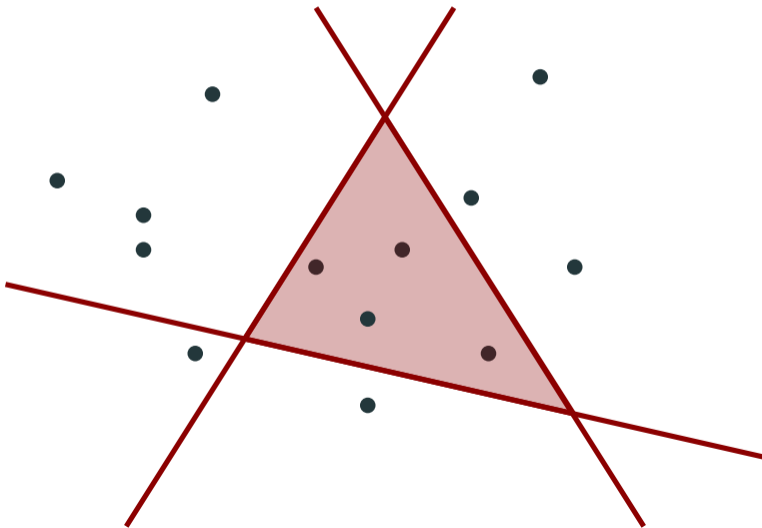
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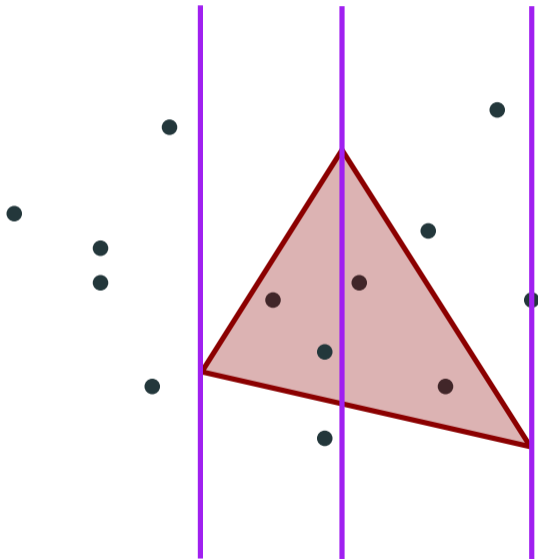
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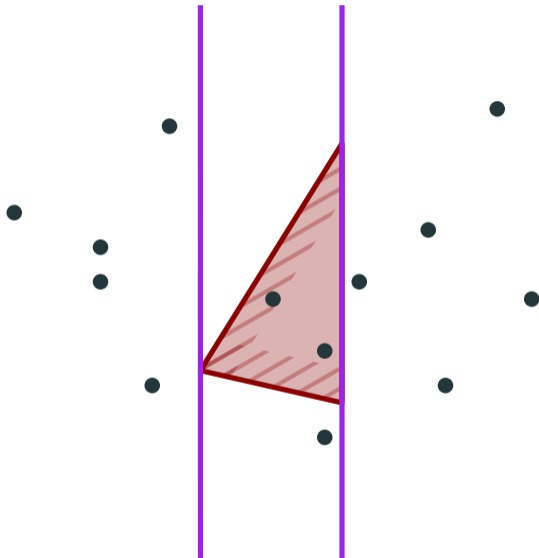
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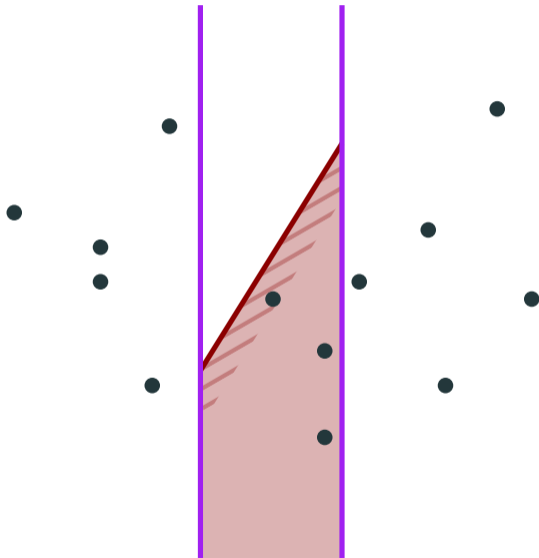
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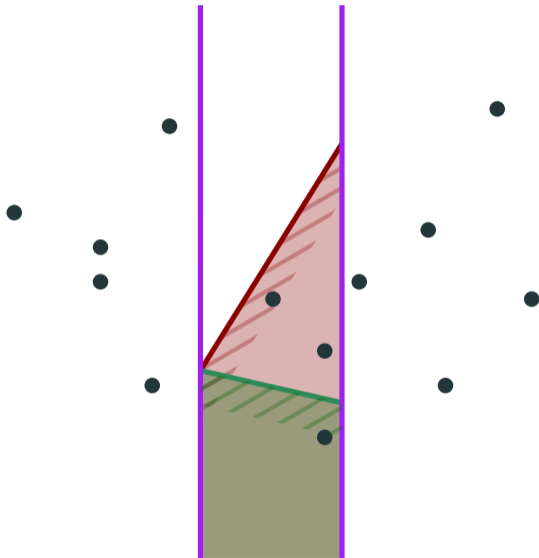
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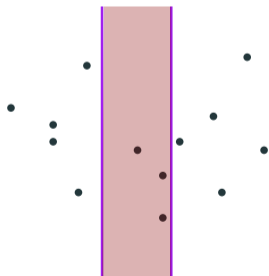
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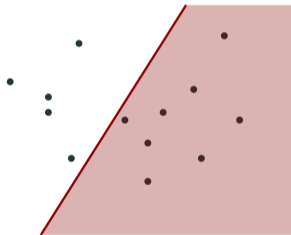


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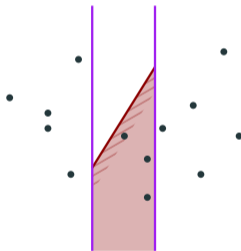
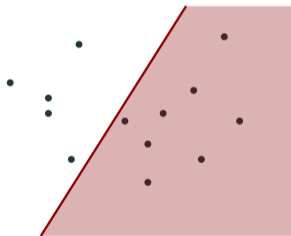
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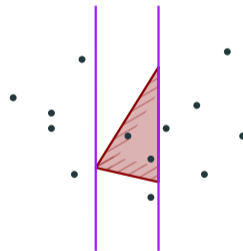
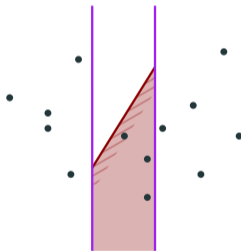
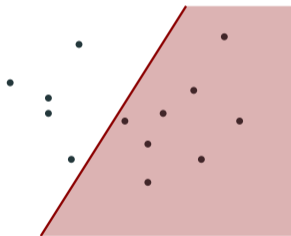
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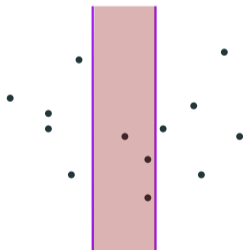
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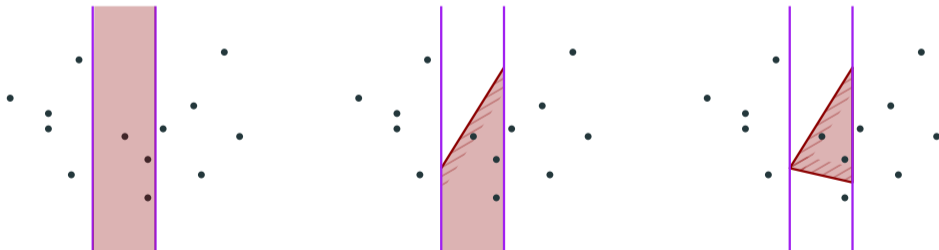
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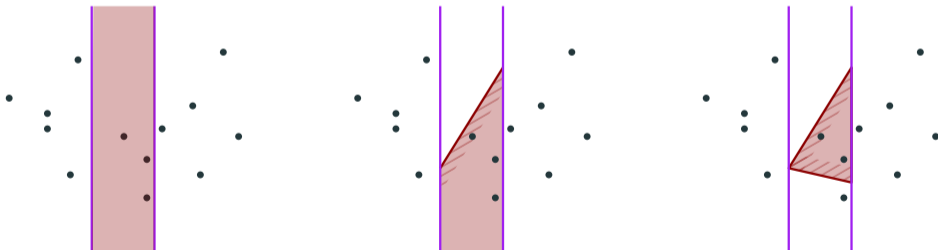


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