

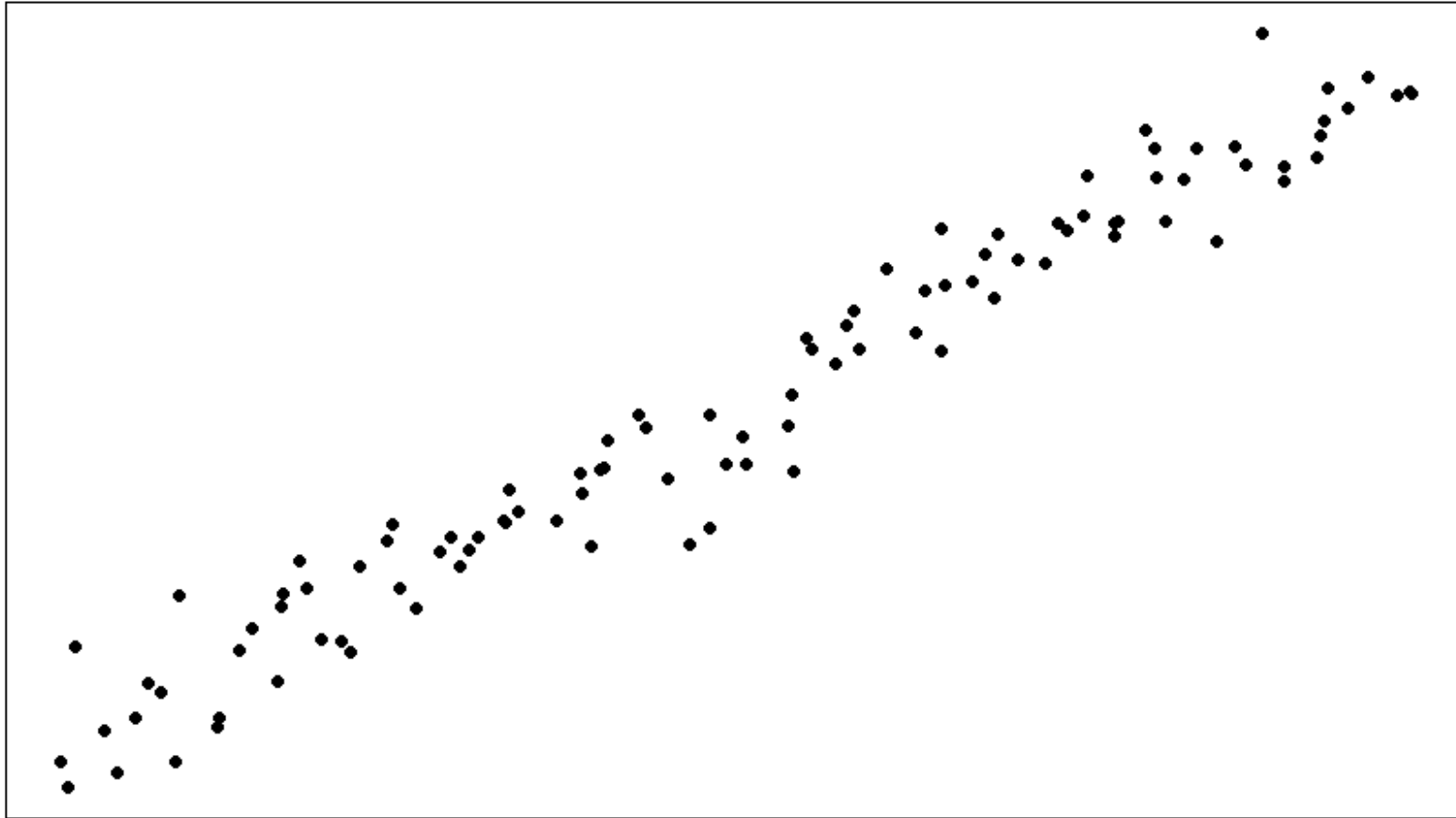
Efficient Secure Ridge Regression from Randomized Gaussian Elimination

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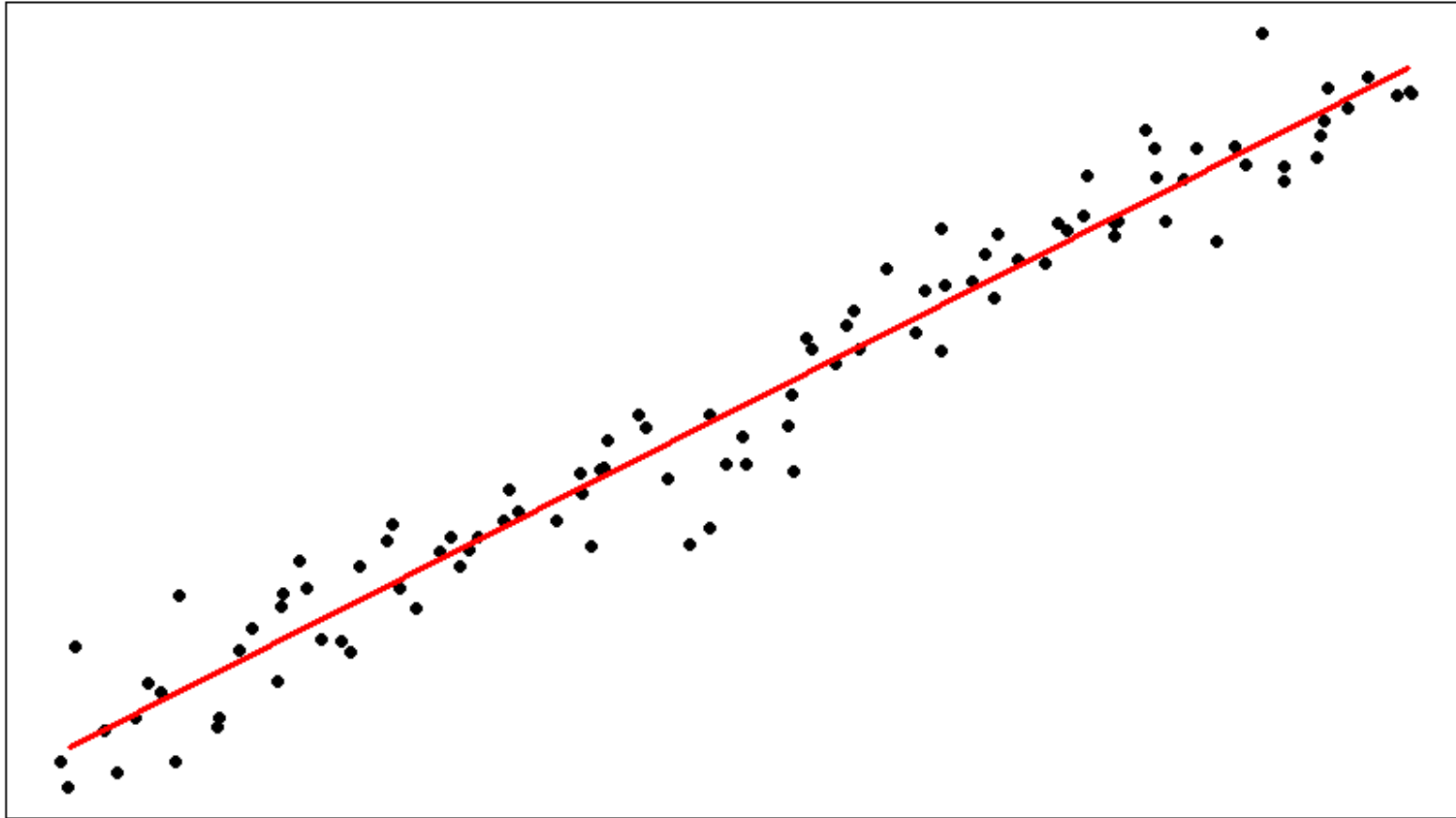


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Multi-linear regression

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Data Set Characteristics:	Multivariate	Number of Instances:	4898	Area:	Business
Attribute Characteristics:	Real	Number of Attributes:	12	Date Donated	2009-10-07
Associated Tasks:	Classification, Regression	Missing Values?	N/A	Number of Web Hits:	943674

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Multi-linear regression

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$$Xw = y \quad (n \gg d)$$

Least-squares solution:

$$\arg \min_w \{\|Xw - y\|_2\}$$

Least-squares solution is an unbiased estimator, but might have high variance

Ridge regression: reduce variance (at the cost of some bias)

Ridge regression

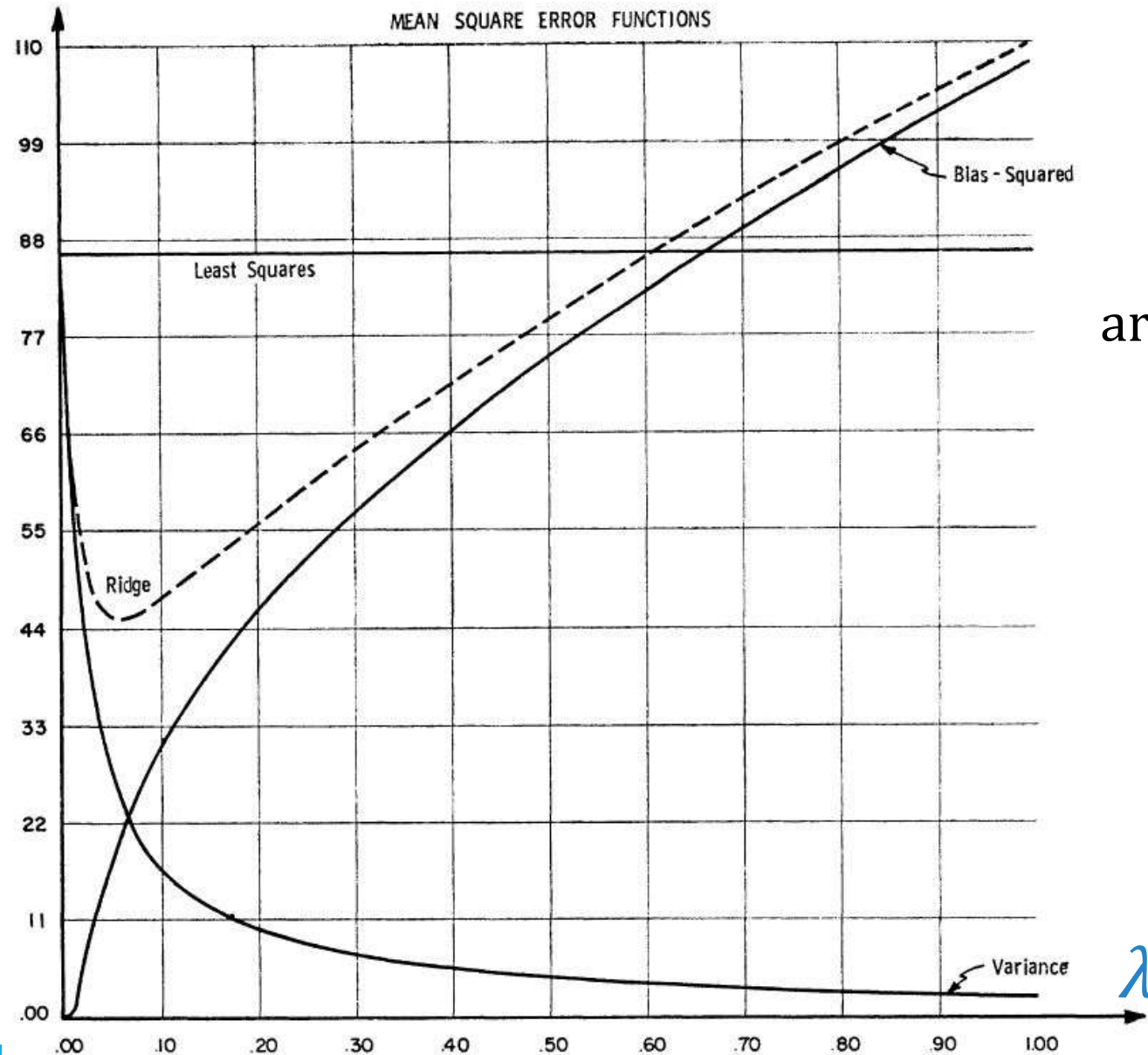
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Regularized least-squares solution:

$$\arg \min_w \{ \|Xw - y\|_2 + \lambda \|w\|_2 \} \quad \lambda > 0$$

Bias-variance trade-off



$$\arg \min_w \{ \|Xw - y\|_2 + \lambda \|w\|_2 \}_{\lambda > 0}$$

$$\text{MSE} = \text{Bias}^2 + \text{variance} + \text{noise}$$

How to solve Ridge Regression?

Iterative method:

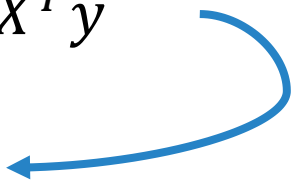
- possibly: numerical instability
- stopping condition

Direct method:

$$\arg \min_w \{ \|Xw - y\|_2 + \lambda \|w\|_2 \} \quad \lambda > 0$$

$$w = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y$$

$$w = A^{-1} b$$


$$A = X^T X + \lambda I,$$
$$b = X^T y$$

MPC roadmap

- Design choices
- Converting input: real numbers to field elements
- Sketch of main ideas
- Choosing the modulus
- Experimental results

Ridge Regression as a Secure Multiparty Computation

- Arithmetic Black Box over a finite field with “cheap” inner product
- “Cheap” inner product: same round complexity as single secure multiplication
- Example: Shamir’s scheme

Notation: $\llbracket x \rrbracket$ represents a sharing of x

$\llbracket x \rrbracket_p$ represents a sharing of x with specific prime modulus p

Design choices

- Direct solution (as opposed to iterative solution)
- Avoid rational reconstruction
- No assumption on data partitioning

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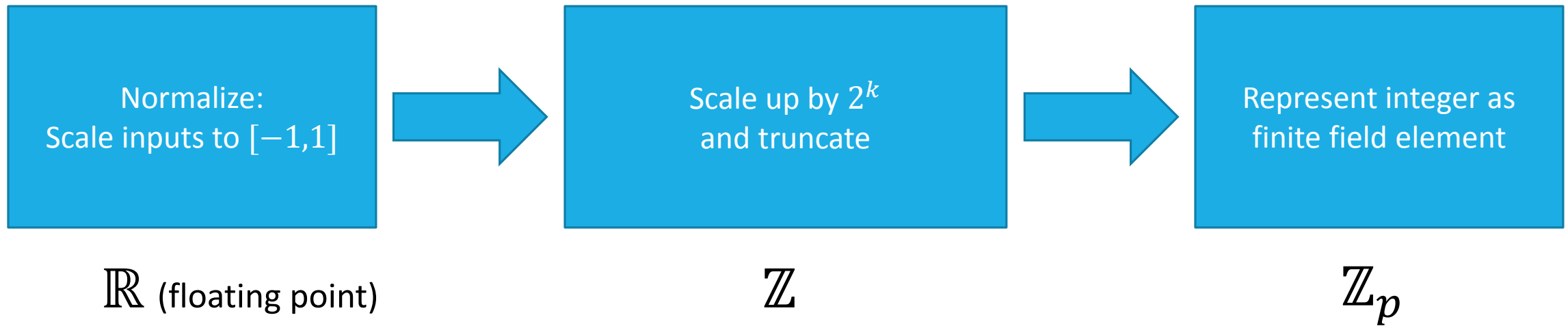
Vertical Partitioning

Party i

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	0.091	3.25	
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Input scaling

Plaintext precomputation:



Representing the output

$$w = A^{-1}b = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \operatorname{adj}(A)b$$

$$A \in \mathbb{Z}^{d \times d} \Rightarrow \operatorname{adj}(A) \in \mathbb{Z}^{d \times d}$$

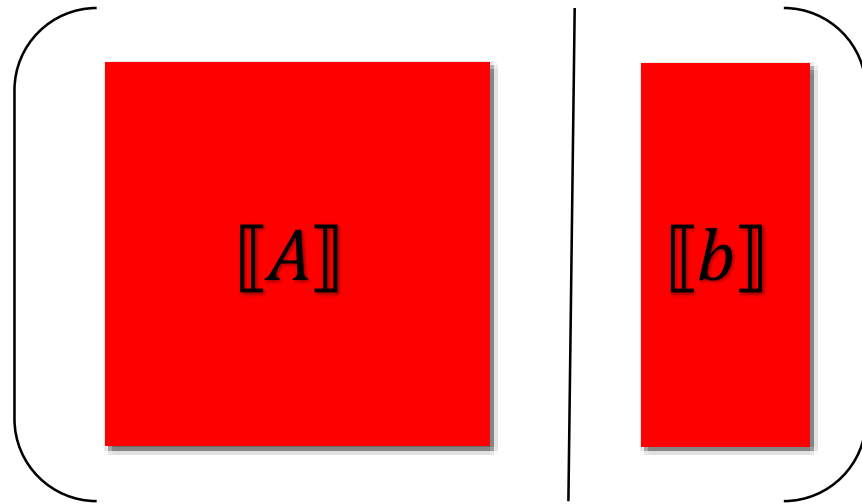
Represent w in two parts

Numerator: $\det(A) w (= \operatorname{adj}(A)b)$

Denominator: $\det(A)$

Randomized Gaussian Elimination

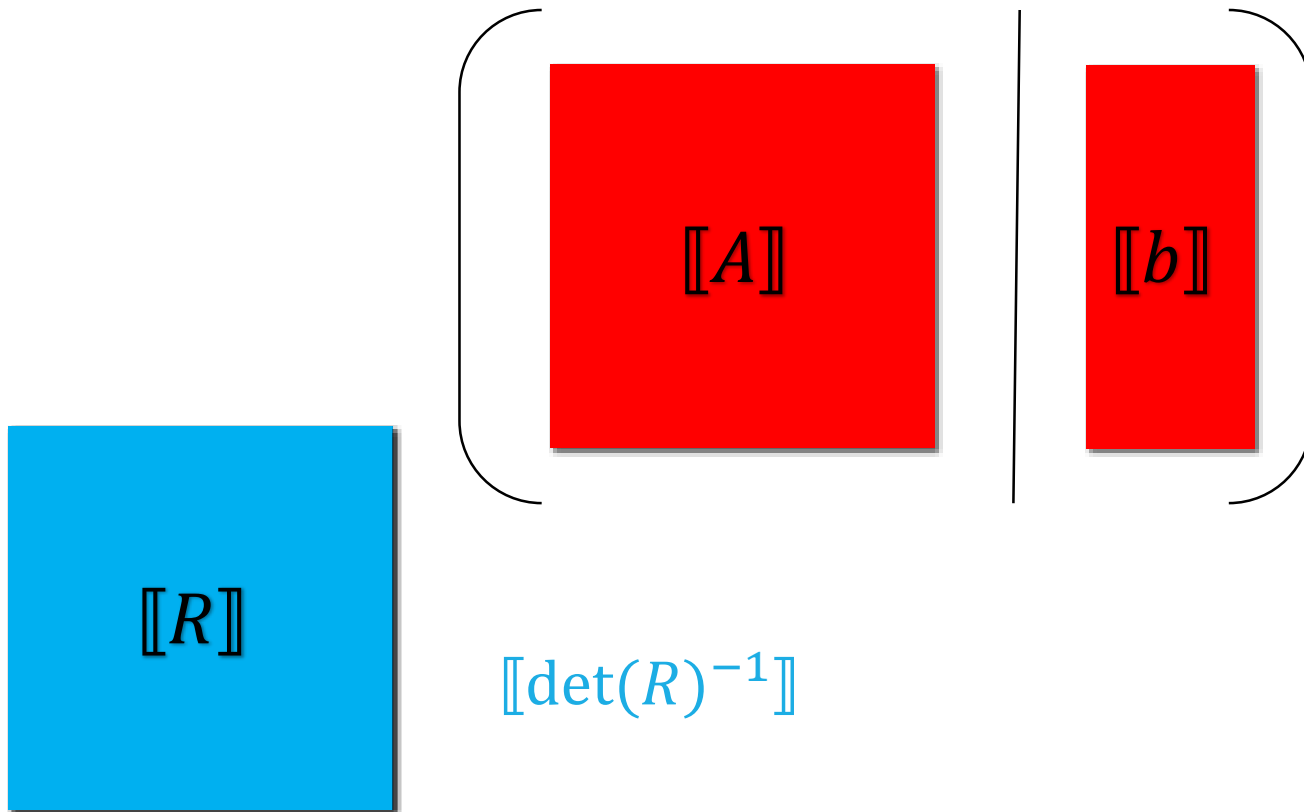
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Return: $(\llbracket \text{adj}(A)b \rrbracket, \llbracket \text{det}(A) \rrbracket)$

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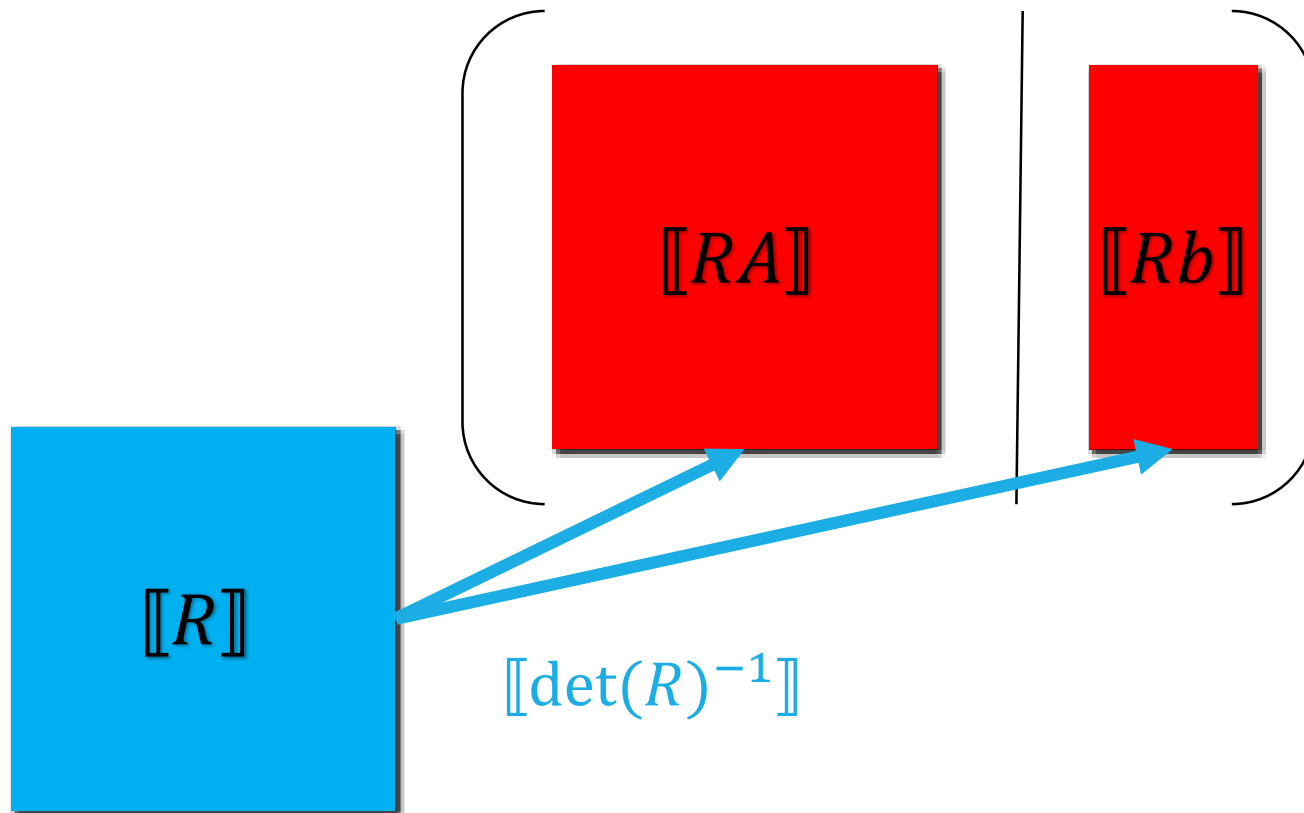
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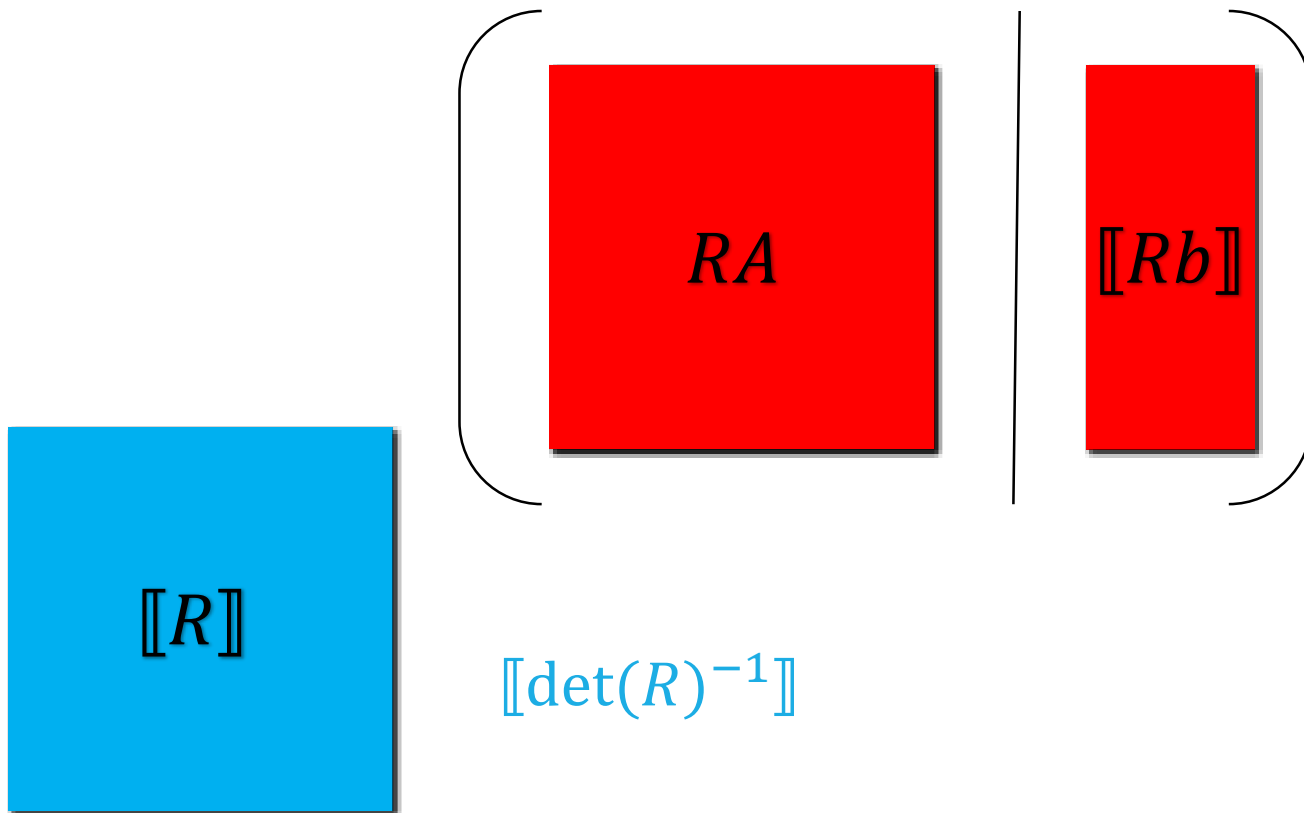
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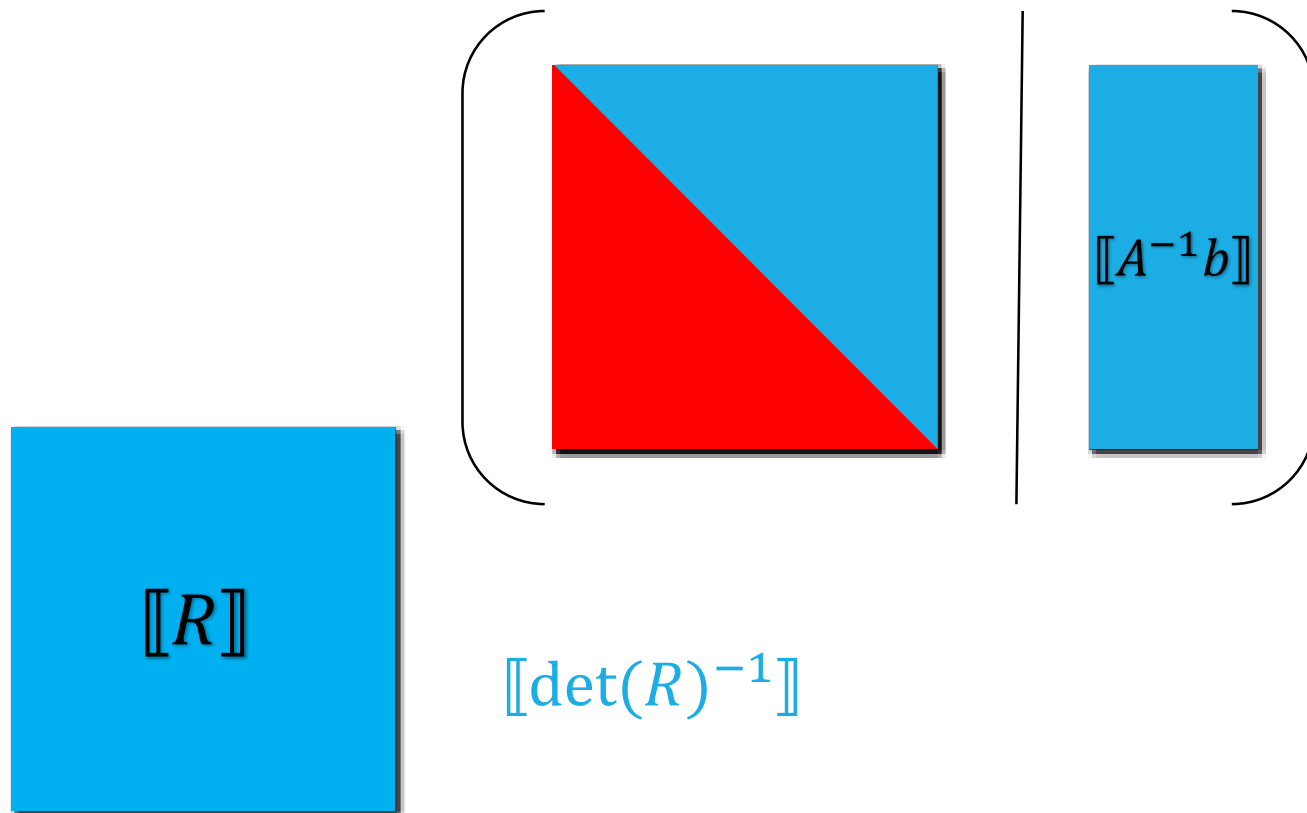


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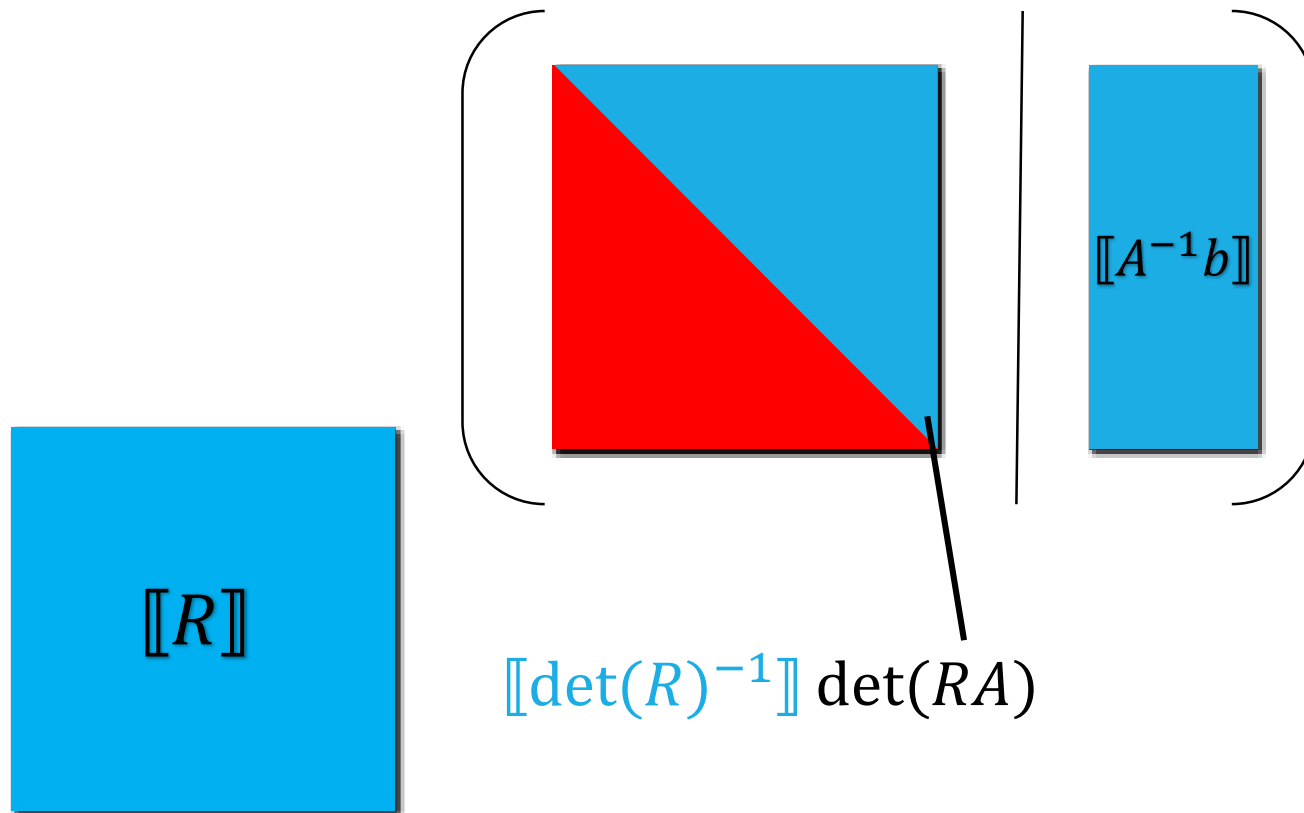


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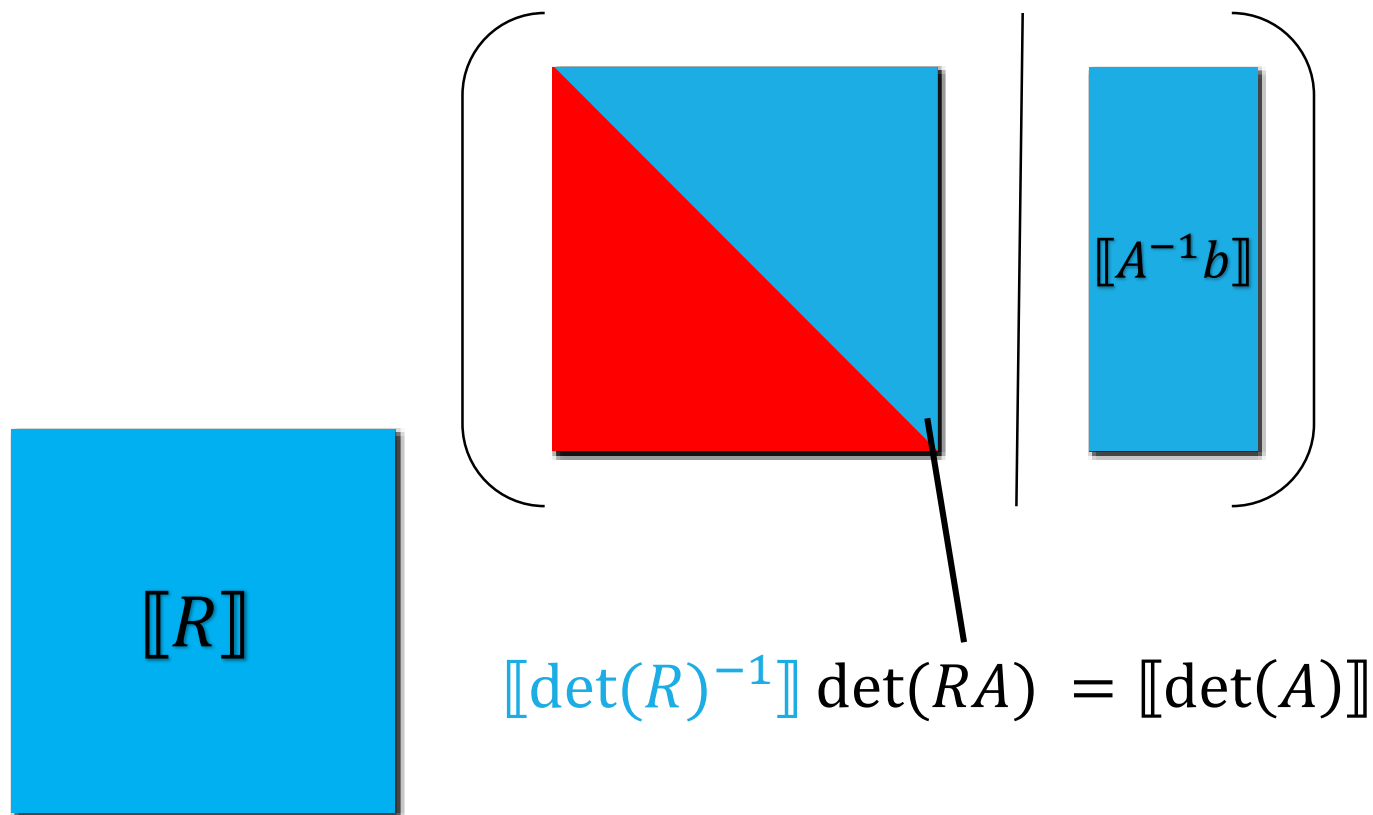


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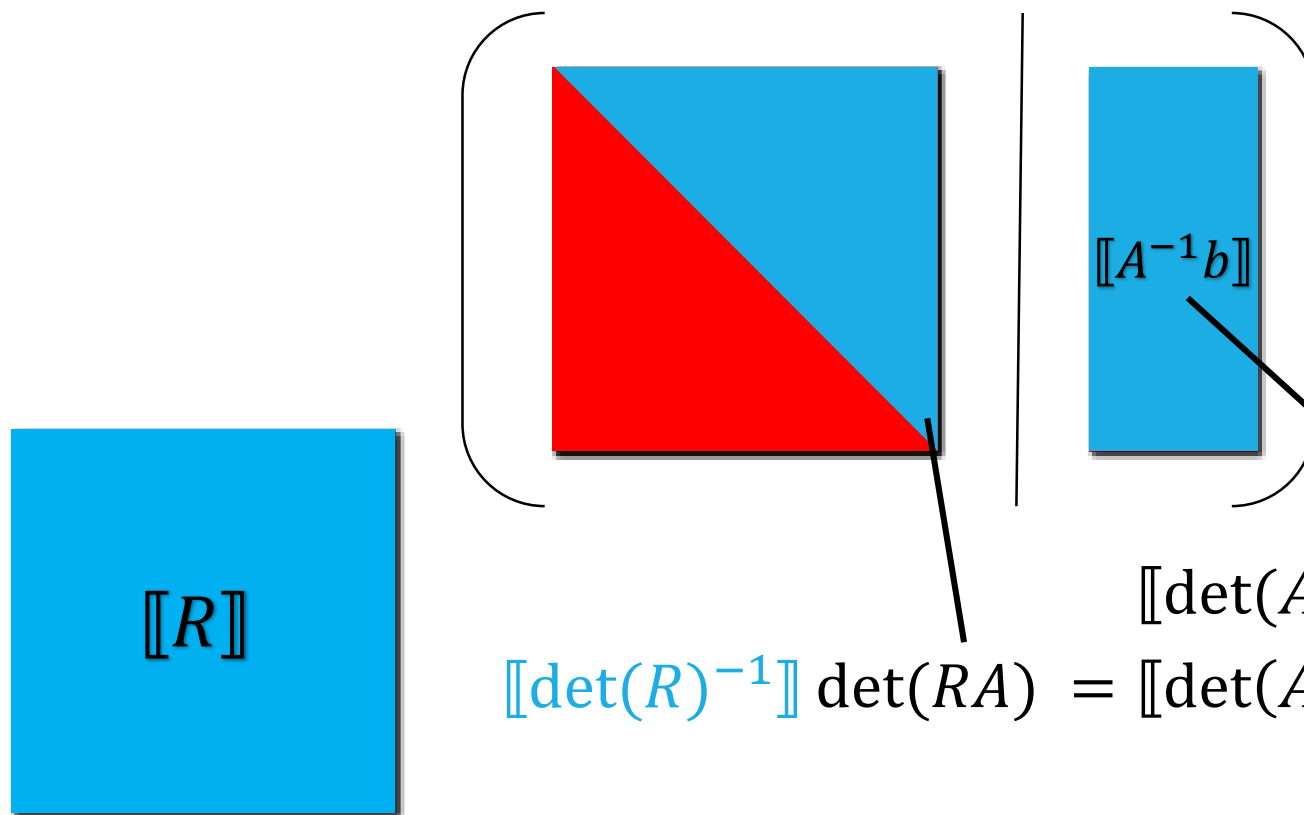


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7. Compute $[[\text{adj}(A)b]]$

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Generate random mask

Slight twist on Cramer, Damgård Protocol for secure computation of $\det(A)$ over a finite field [CD01]

$$R = LU = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \llbracket l_{2,1} \rrbracket & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \llbracket l_{d,1} \rrbracket & \cdots & \llbracket l_{d,d-1} \rrbracket & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \llbracket u_{1,1} \rrbracket & \llbracket u_{1,2} \rrbracket & \cdots & \llbracket u_{1,d} \rrbracket \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \llbracket u_{d-1,d} \rrbracket \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \llbracket u_{d,d} \rrbracket \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\llbracket \det(R)^{-1} \rrbracket = \left(\prod_{i=1}^d \llbracket u_{i,i} \rrbracket \right)^{-1}$$

Secure Ridge Regression

$\text{Ridge}(\llbracket X \rrbracket, \llbracket y \rrbracket, \lambda)$

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Choosing the modulus size

➤ Return: ($\llbracket \text{adj}(A)b \rrbracket$, $\llbracket \det(A) \rrbracket$)

Requirement: $p/2 > \max\{\|\text{adj}(A)b\|_{\max}, |\det(A)|\}$

➤ Hadamard's Bound: $|\det(M)| \leq \prod_{i=1}^d \|m_i\|_2 \leq d^{d/2} \|M\|_{\max}^d$

For $A = X^T X + \lambda I$, $b = X^T y$ with $X \in [-2^k, 2^k]^{n \times d}$, $y \in [-2^k, 2^k]^n$

Bit-length p dominated by: $d \cdot \log(n)$ $n \gg d$

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4.208.261	16	744
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Bit-length of p :
we save a factor of two by avoiding rational reconstruction!

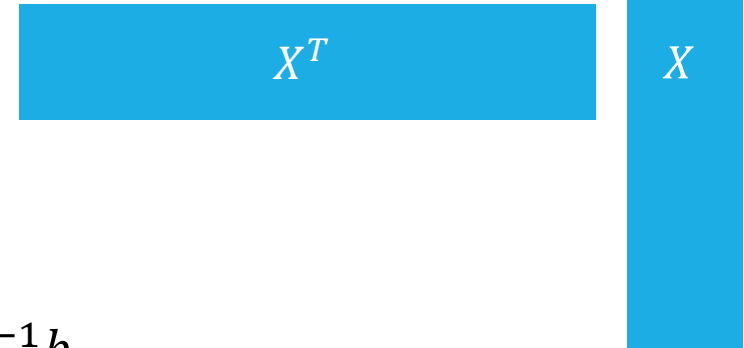
Avoiding rational reconstruction

- Represent fractions $a/b \in \mathbb{Q}$ (uniquely) as $ab^{-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$
- Requirement: $p/2 > \|\text{adj}(A)b\|_{max} \cdot |\det(A)|$

Large prime

Ridge($\llbracket X \rrbracket, \llbracket y \rrbracket, \lambda$)

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✓ Cheap inner product

× Many field elements

High memory usage

Long computation time

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Two prime moduli: $q < p$

Ridge($\llbracket X \rrbracket_q, \llbracket y \rrbracket_q, \lambda$)

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2. Convert $(\llbracket A \rrbracket_q, \llbracket b \rrbracket_q)$ to $(\llbracket A \rrbracket_p, \llbracket b \rrbracket_p)$
3. $(\llbracket \text{adj}(A)b \rrbracket_p, \llbracket \det(A) \rrbracket_p) = \text{RandGaussElim}(\llbracket A \rrbracket_p, \llbracket b \rrbracket_p)$
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X^T

X

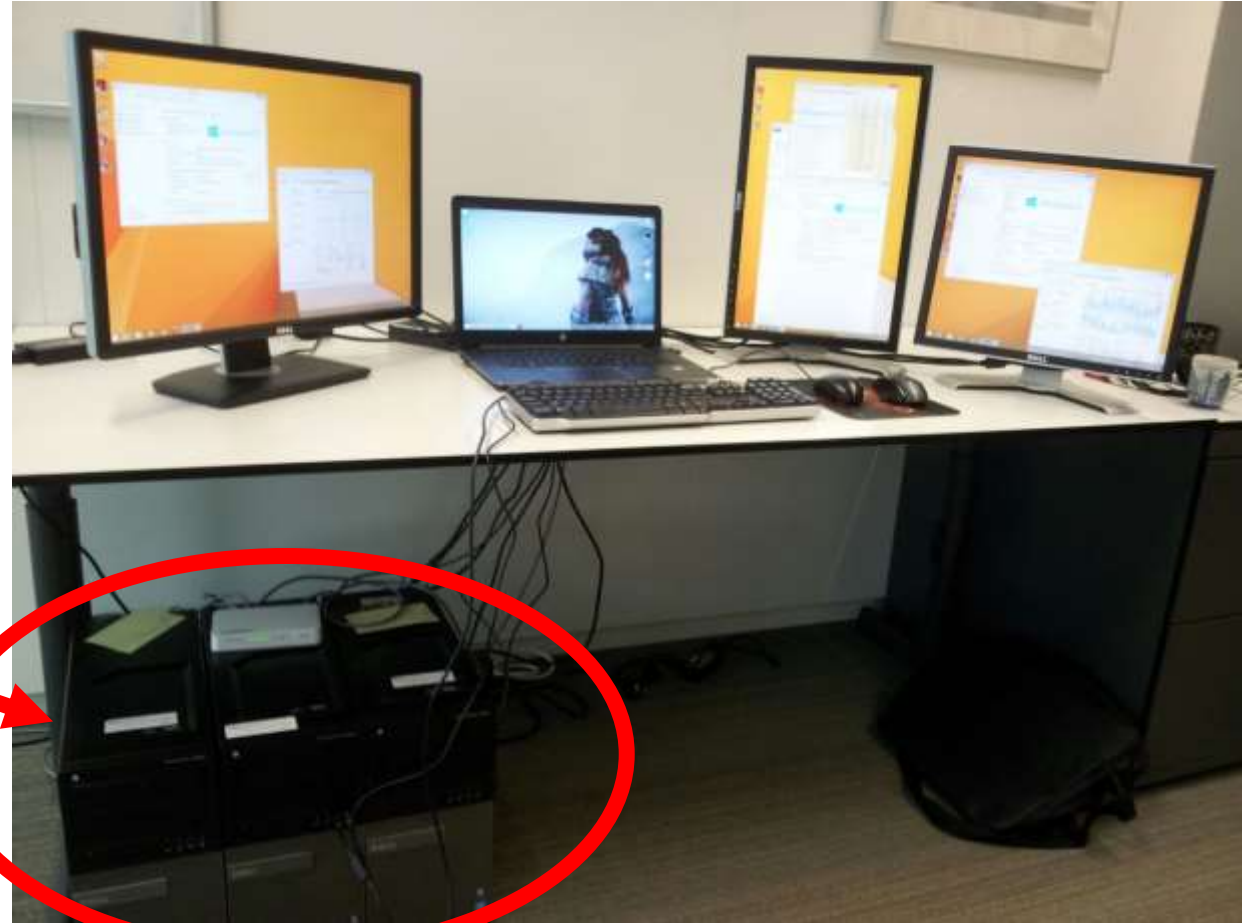
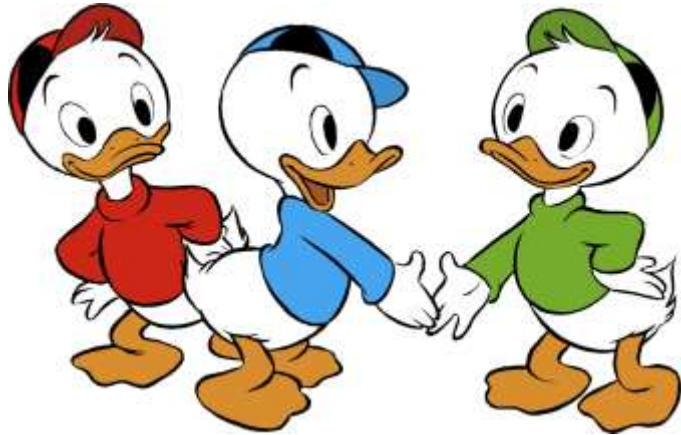
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Implementation

Implementation in MPyC (Shamir Secret Sharing)

MPyC  **Secure Multiparty Computation in Python**
github.com/lshoe/mpyc

Multiparty computation (3 parties)



Implementation results UCI Datasets

➤ Nikolaenko etal. [NWI+13]

➤ Horizontal data-partitioning,

➤ Fixed-point arithmetic

➤ Giacomelli etal. [GJJ+13]

➤ Horizontal & Vertical data-partitioning

➤ Rational Reconstruction

➤ Gascón etal. [GSB+17]

➤ Vertical data-partitioning

➤ Fixed-point arithmetic

Dataset	n	d	This Work Time (s)	[NWI+13] HP	[GJJ+13] HP	[GJJ+13] VP	[GSB+17] VP 32-bit	[GSB+17] VP 64-bit
Student	395	30	1,61	-	39,76	328,06	5 (-0,0%)	35 (-0,0%)
Wine (white)	4898	11	0,16	45	4,09	-	0 (4,2%)	4 (-0,0%)
Year Prediction MSD	515.345	90	255	-	-	-	230 (0,0%)	808 (0,0%)
Gas Sensor Array (CO)	4.208.261	16	63,2	-	-	-	42 (5.2%)	69 (0,0%)
HIGGS	11.000.000	7	35,0	-	-	-	-	-

(< 0.1%)

Conclusion

- Secure Integer valued linear system solving
- Efficient ridge regression without data-partitioning assumptions
- Competitive with existing solutions

win.tue.nl/~berry/mpyc/bareiss.pdf

Final remarks

- Slight changes to the protocol to allow underdetermined systems ($n \ll d$)
- Avoiding rational reconstruction also useful for secure computation of Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse [BdV19]

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