

Active Learning for Sparse Bayesian Multilabel Classification

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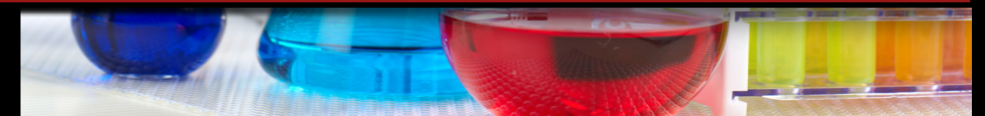


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Need to reduce the required training data.



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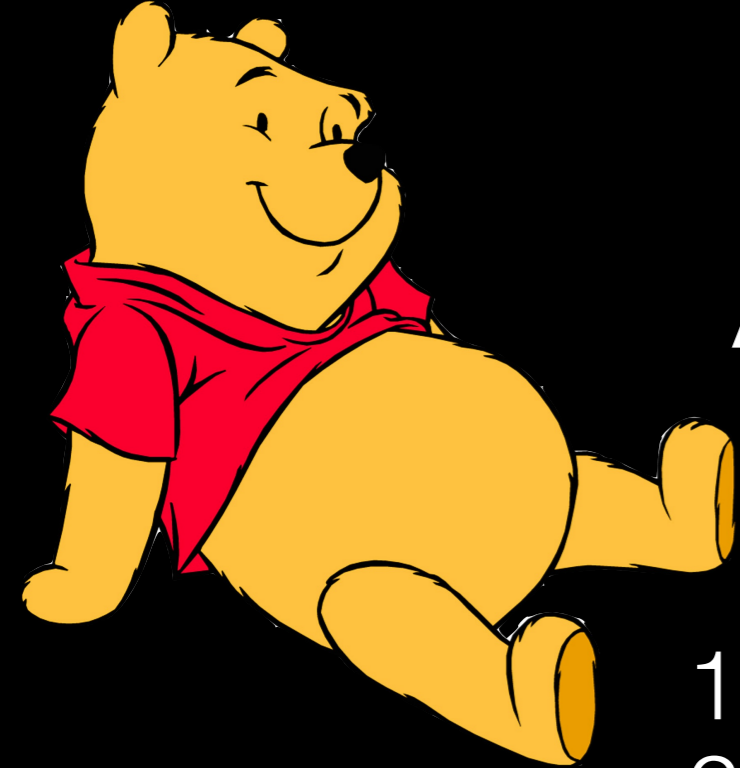
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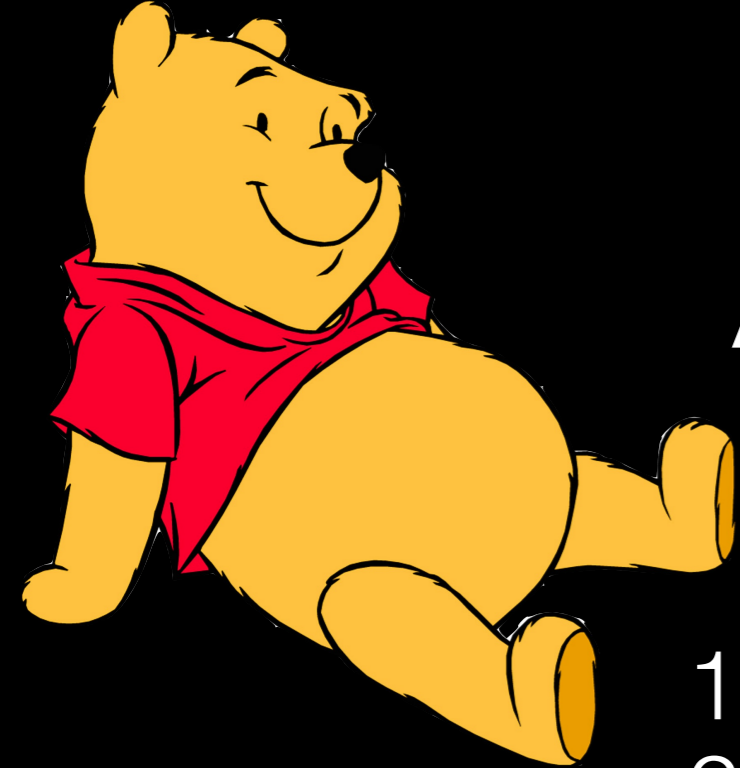
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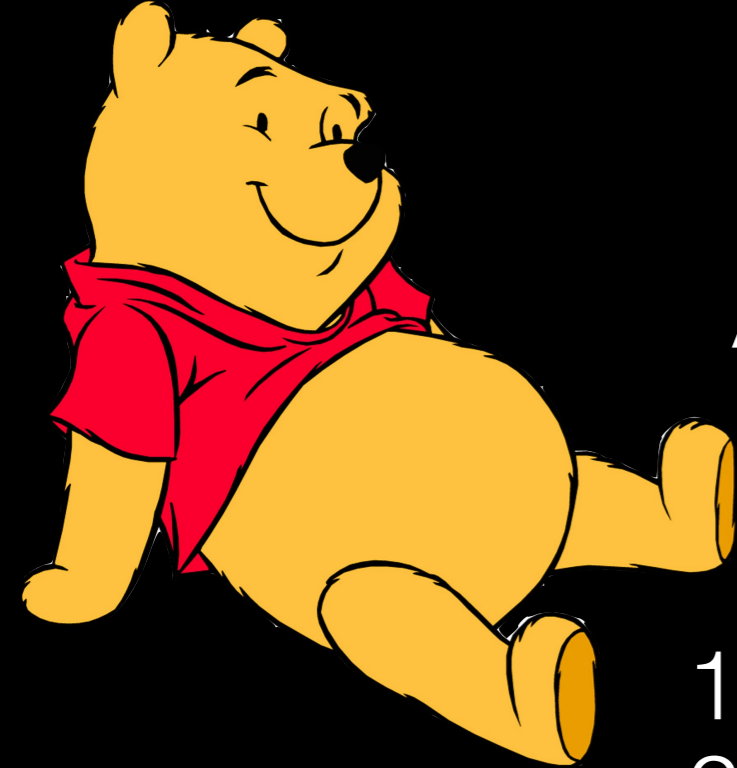
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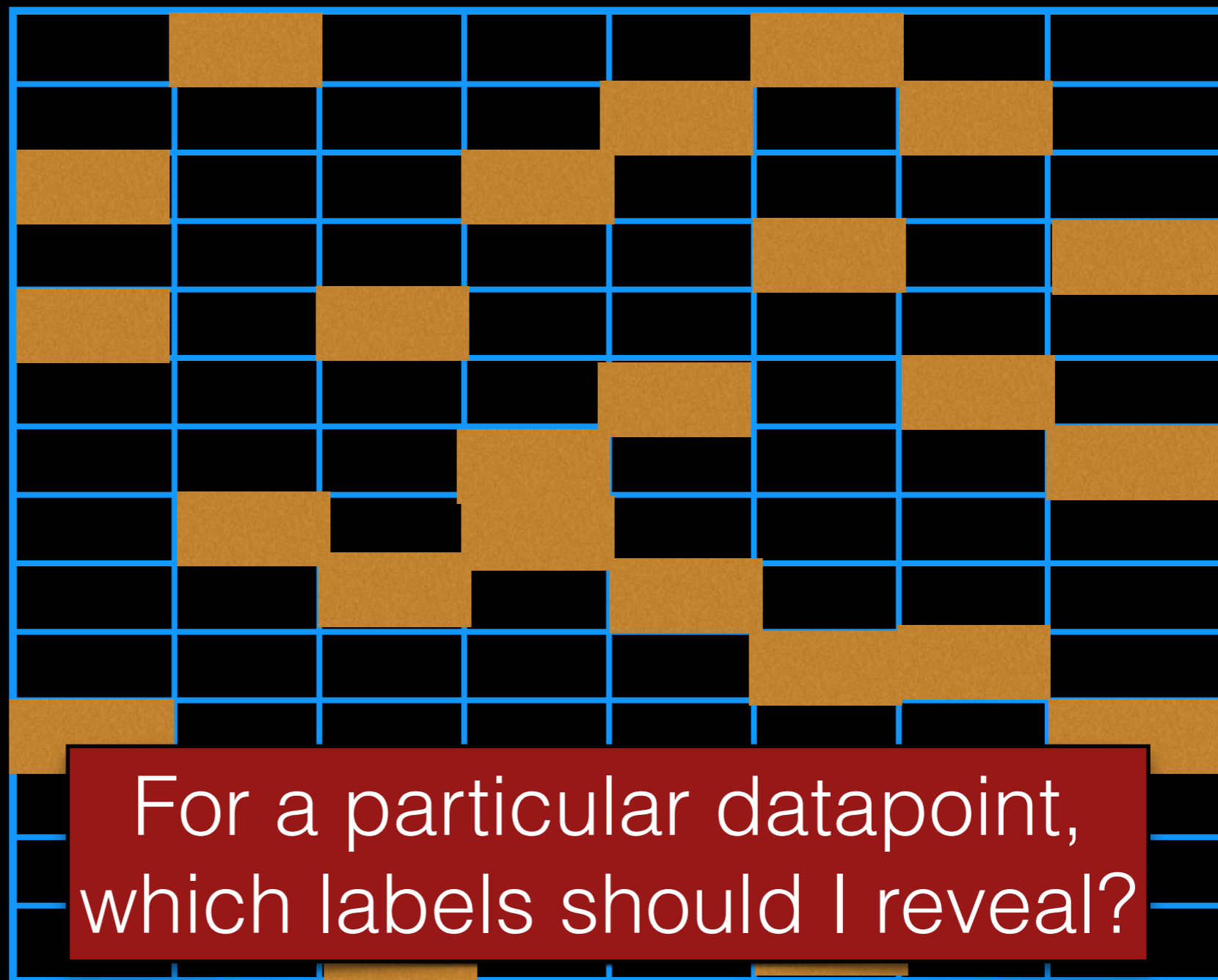
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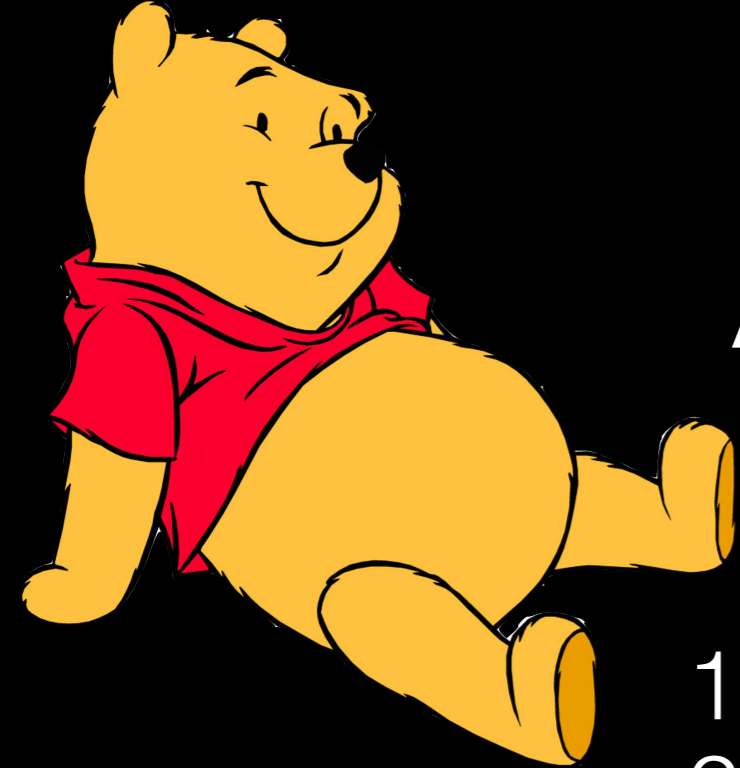
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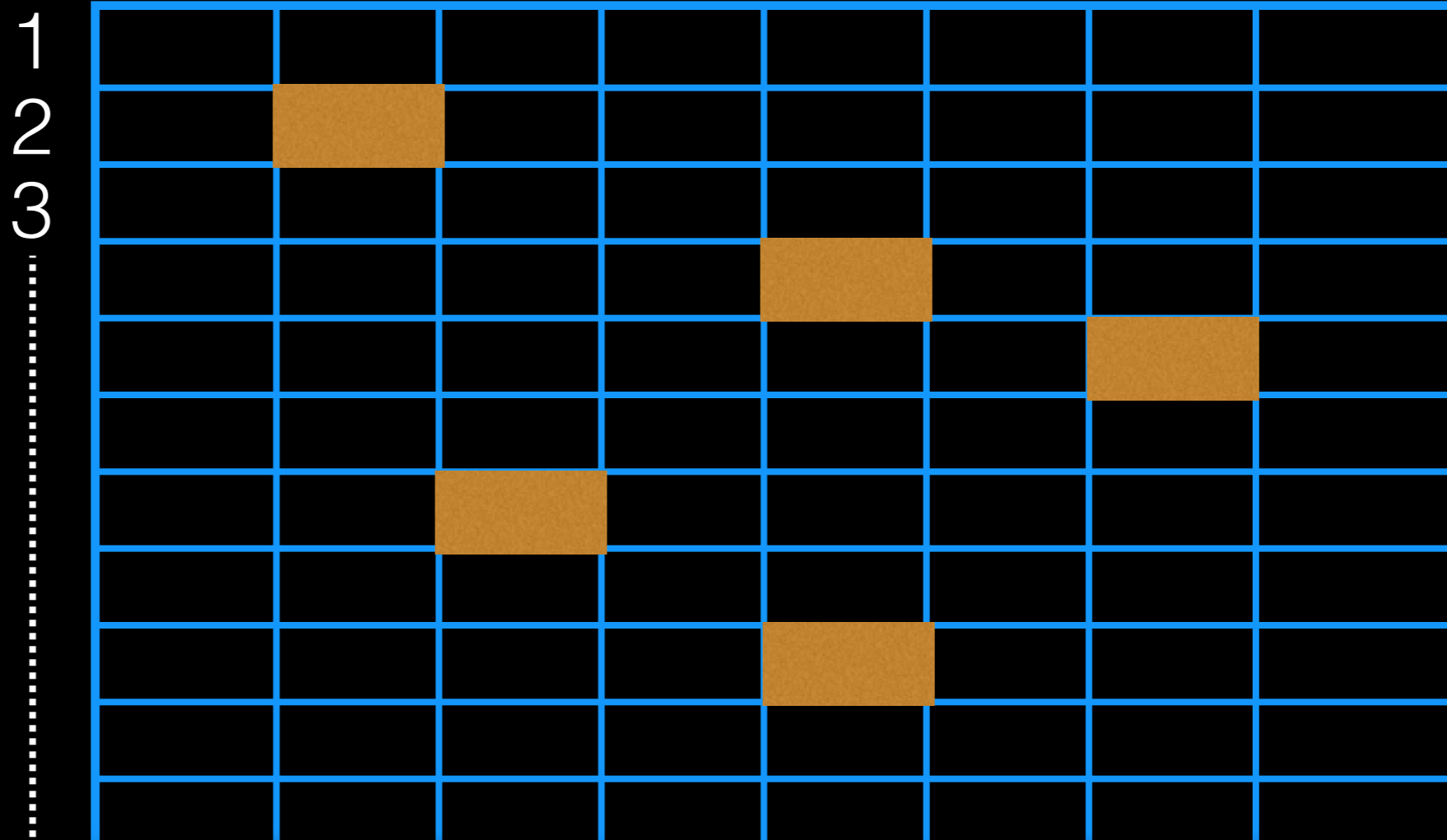
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In this talk

- An active learner for Multi-label classification that:
 - Answers all your questions
 - Is Computationally Cheap
 - Is Non myopic and near-optimal
 - Incorporates label sparsity
 - Achieves higher accuracy than state-of-the-art

Classification

Classification Model*



x_i

Labels

y_i^1

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Compressed Space

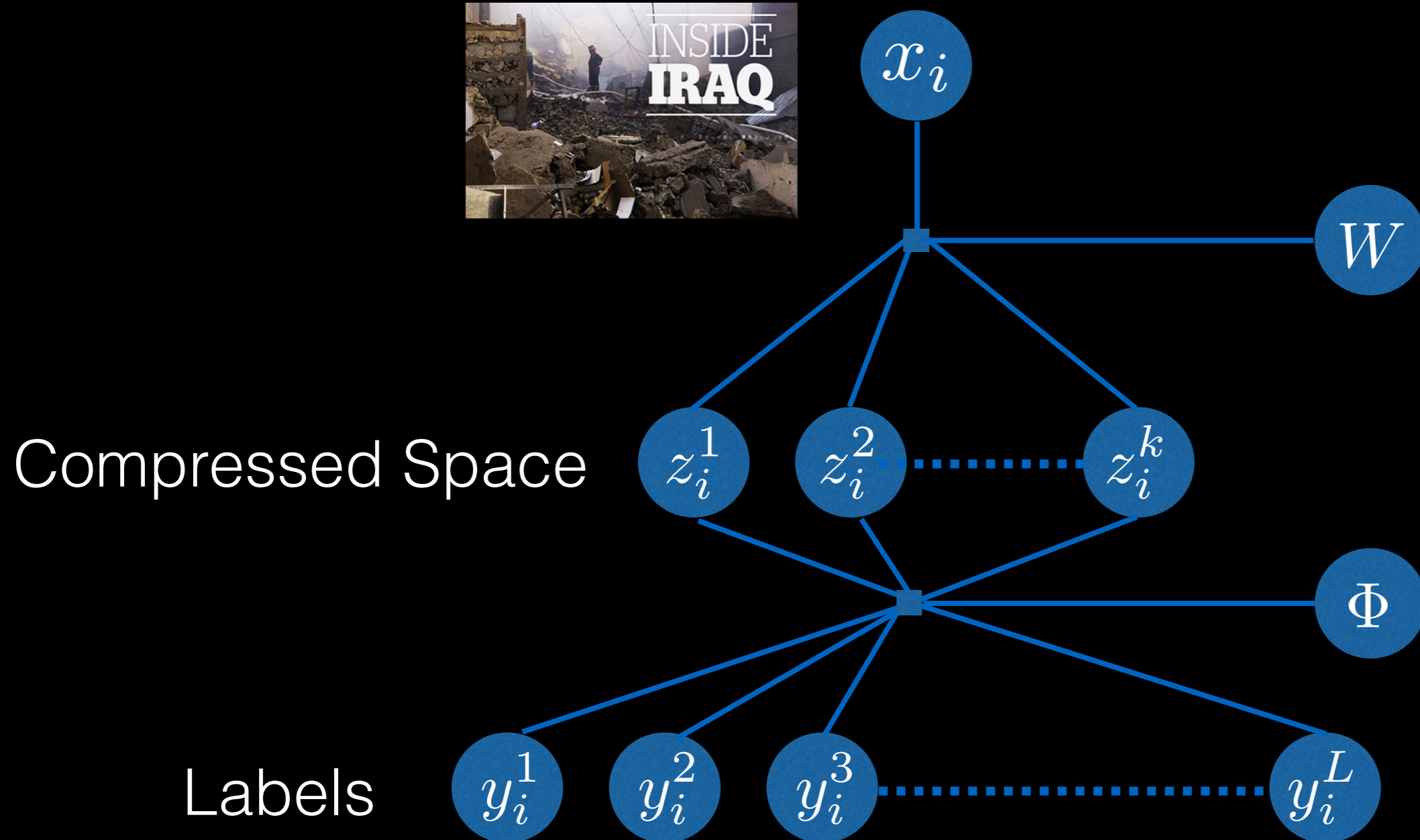
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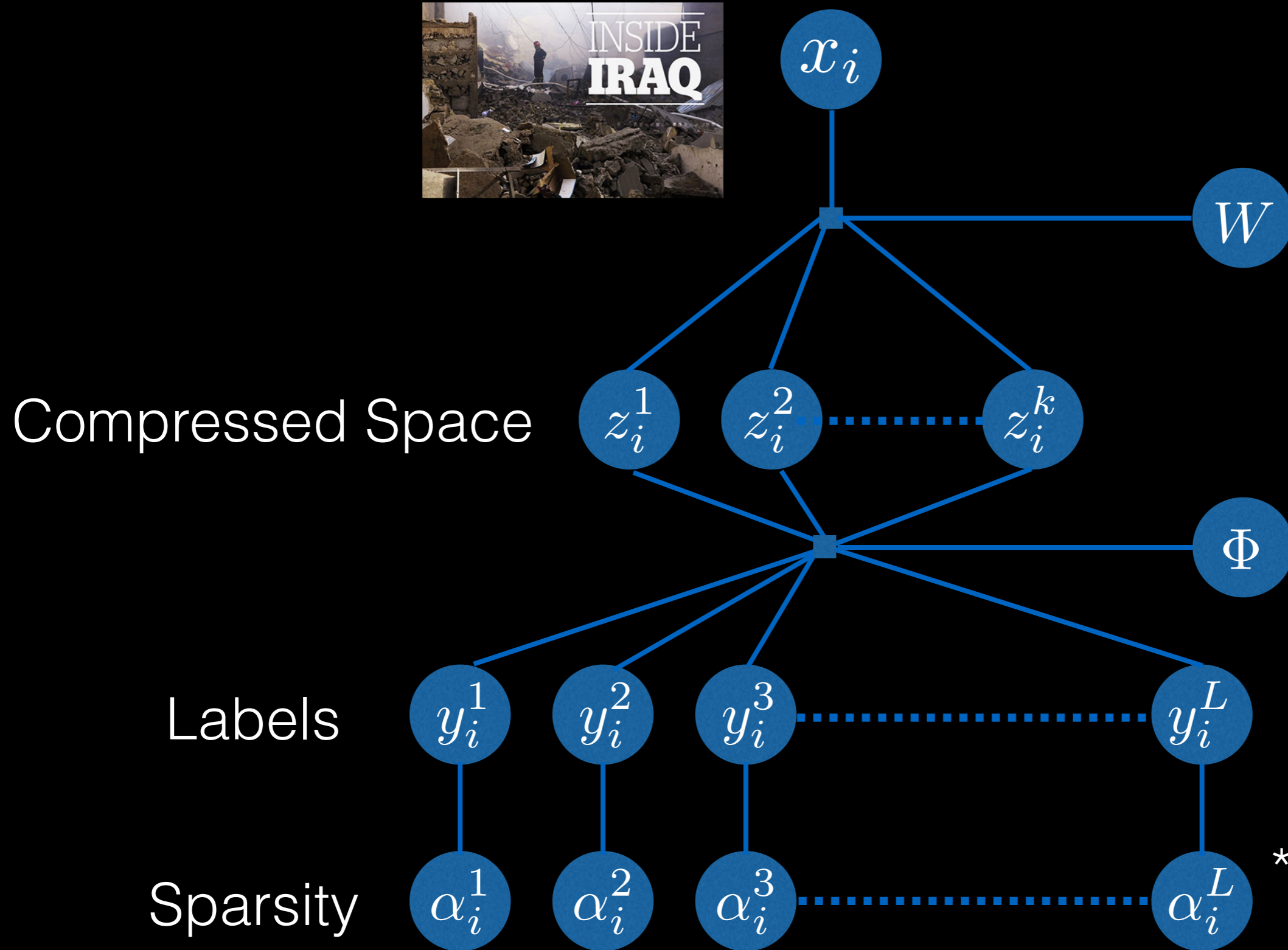
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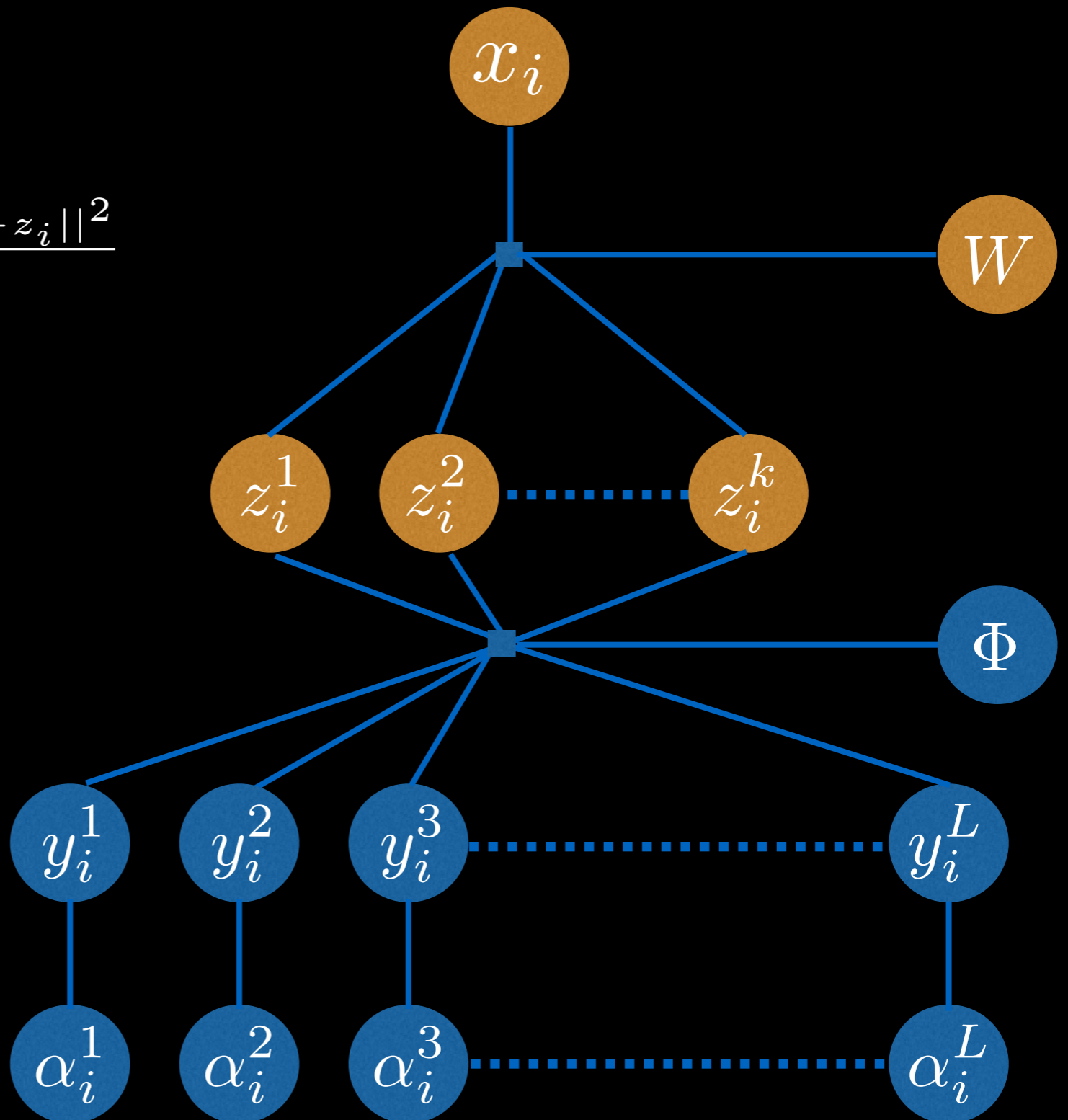
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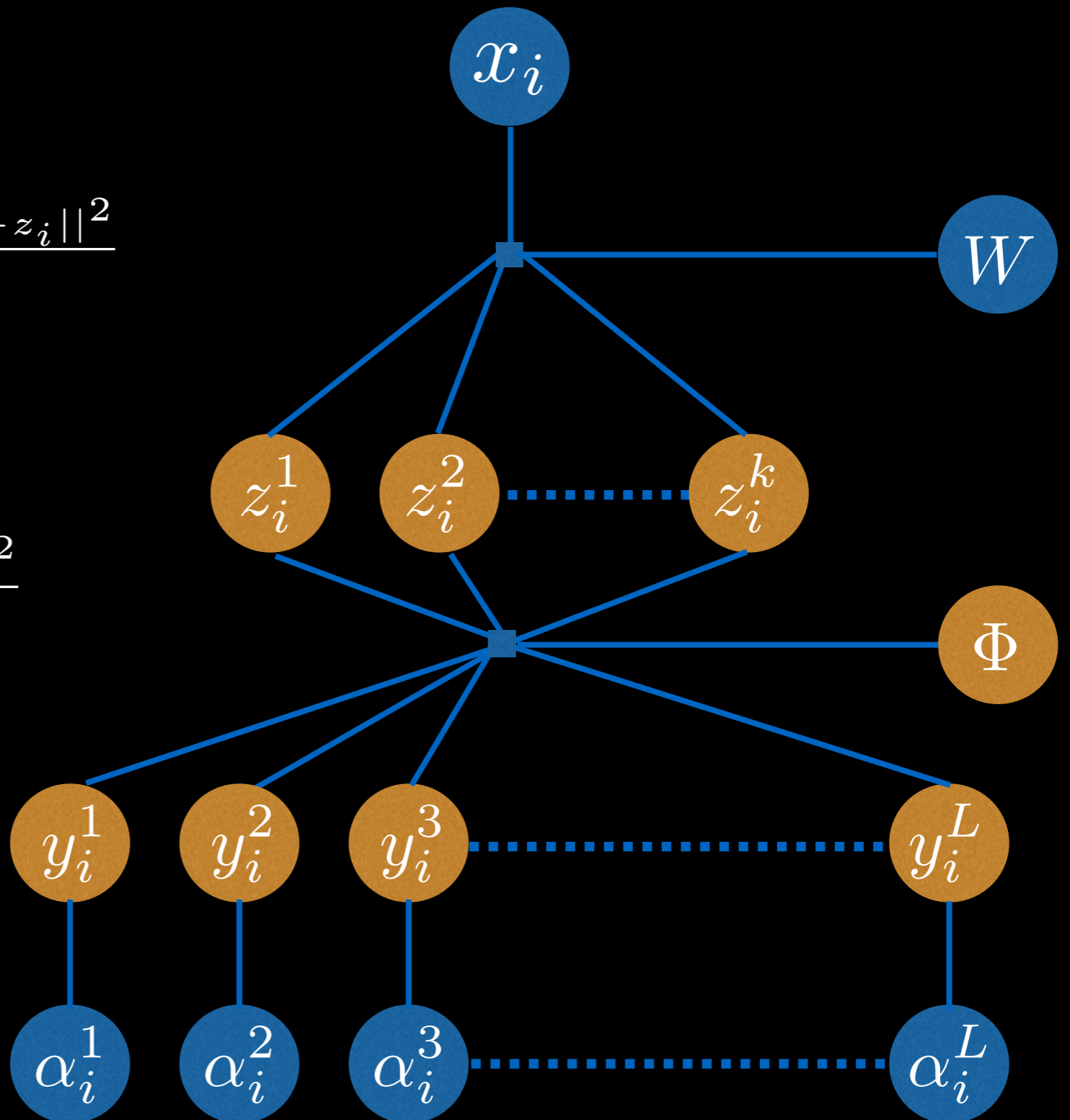
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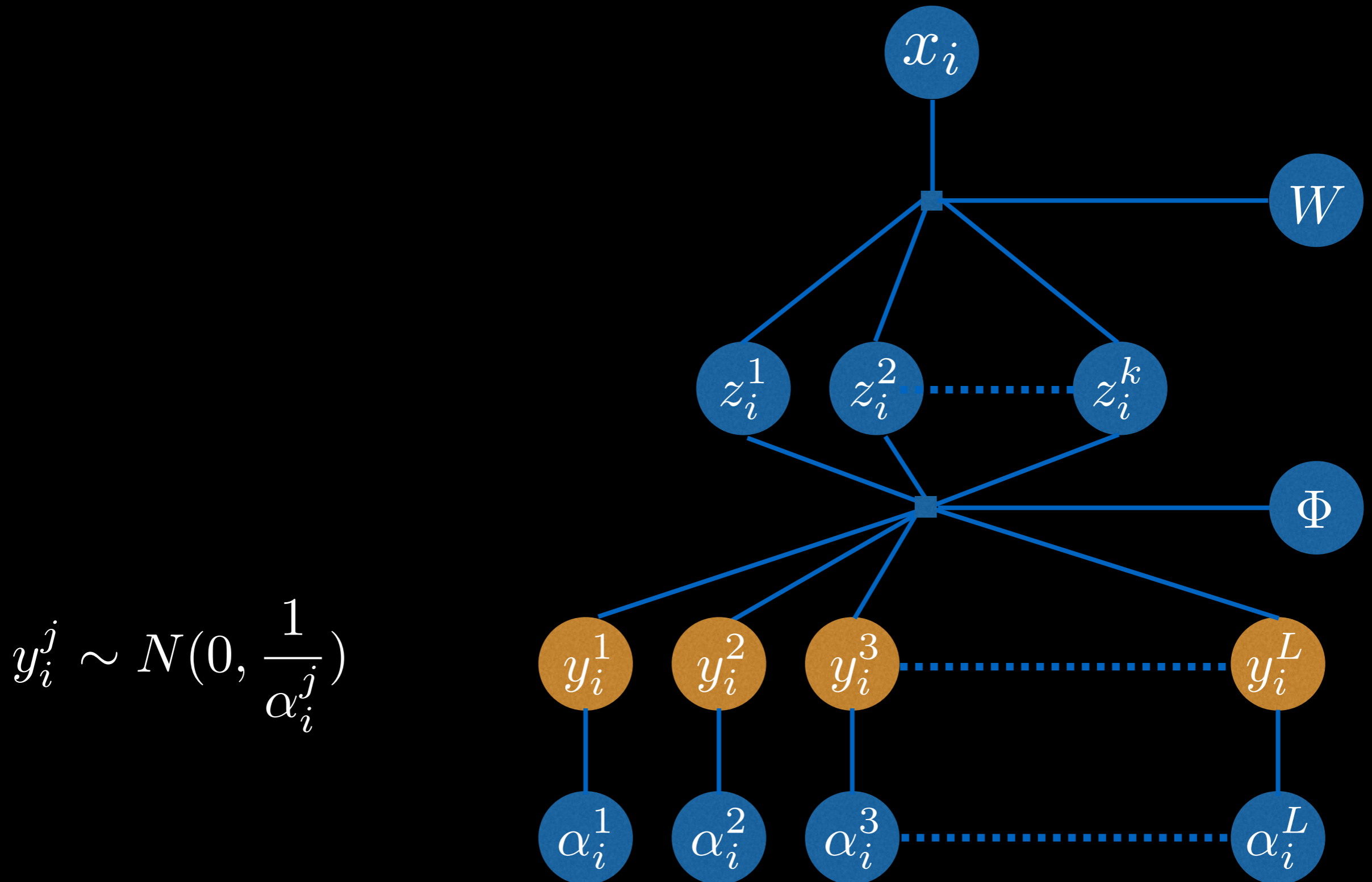
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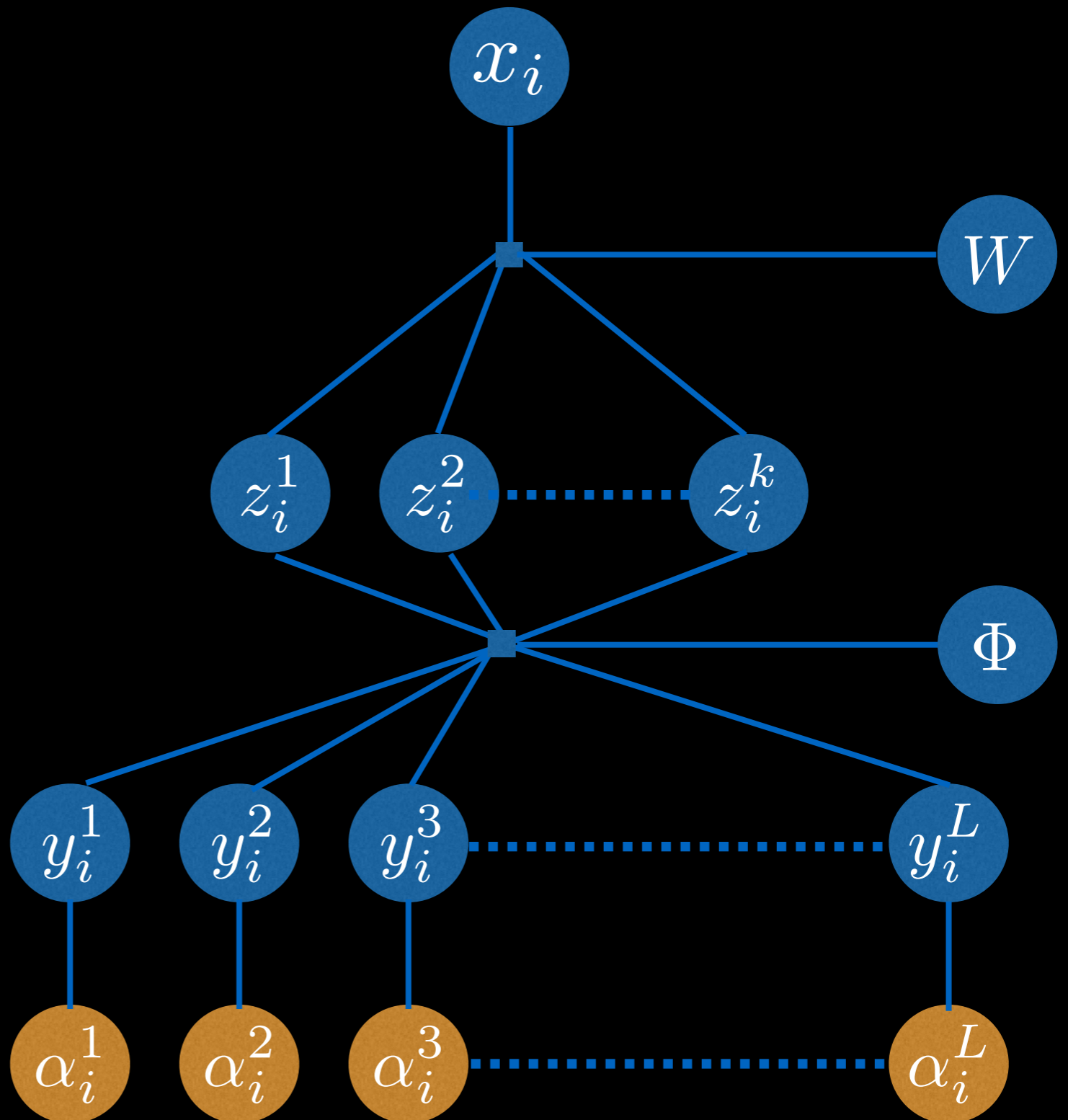
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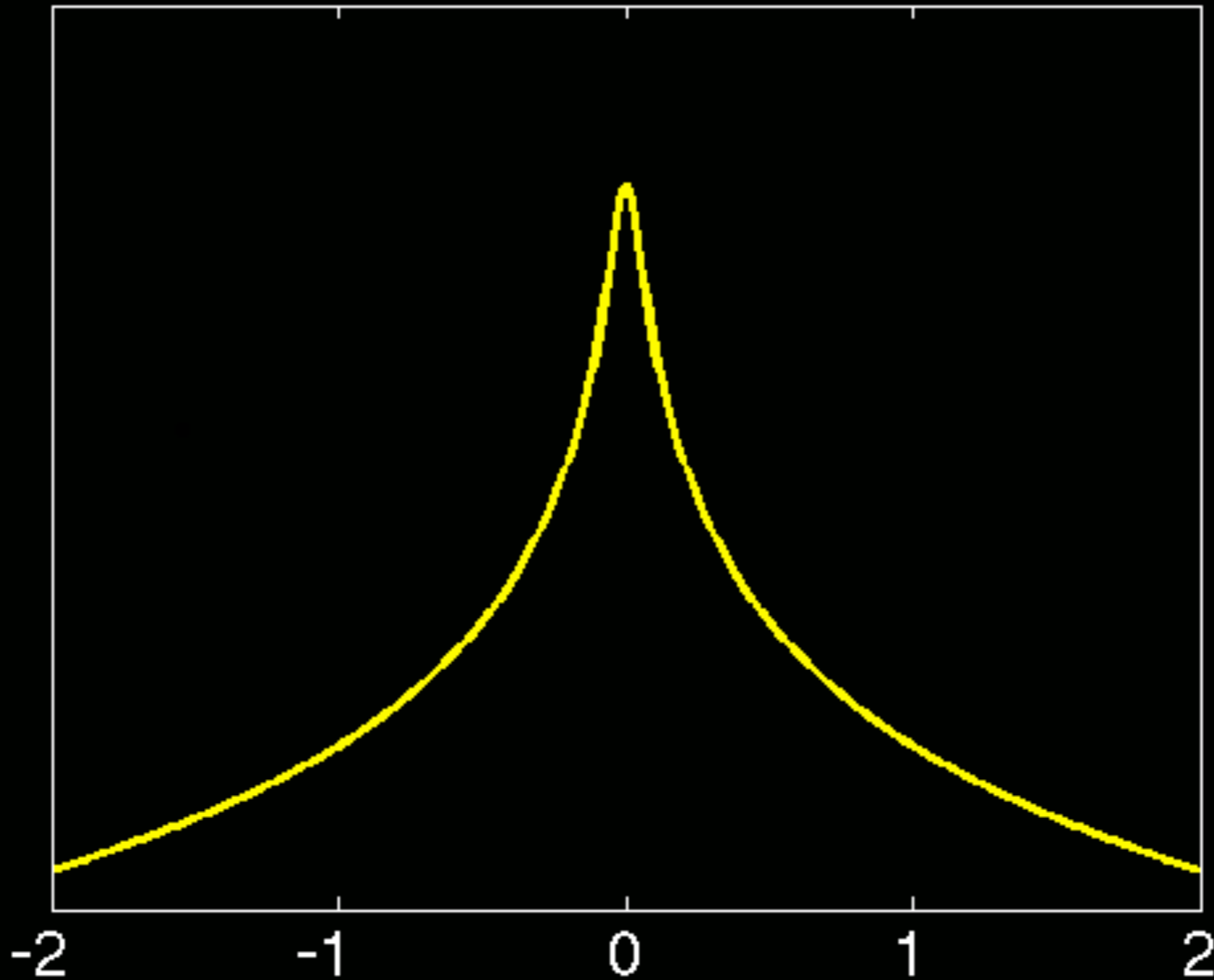
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Sparsity Priors

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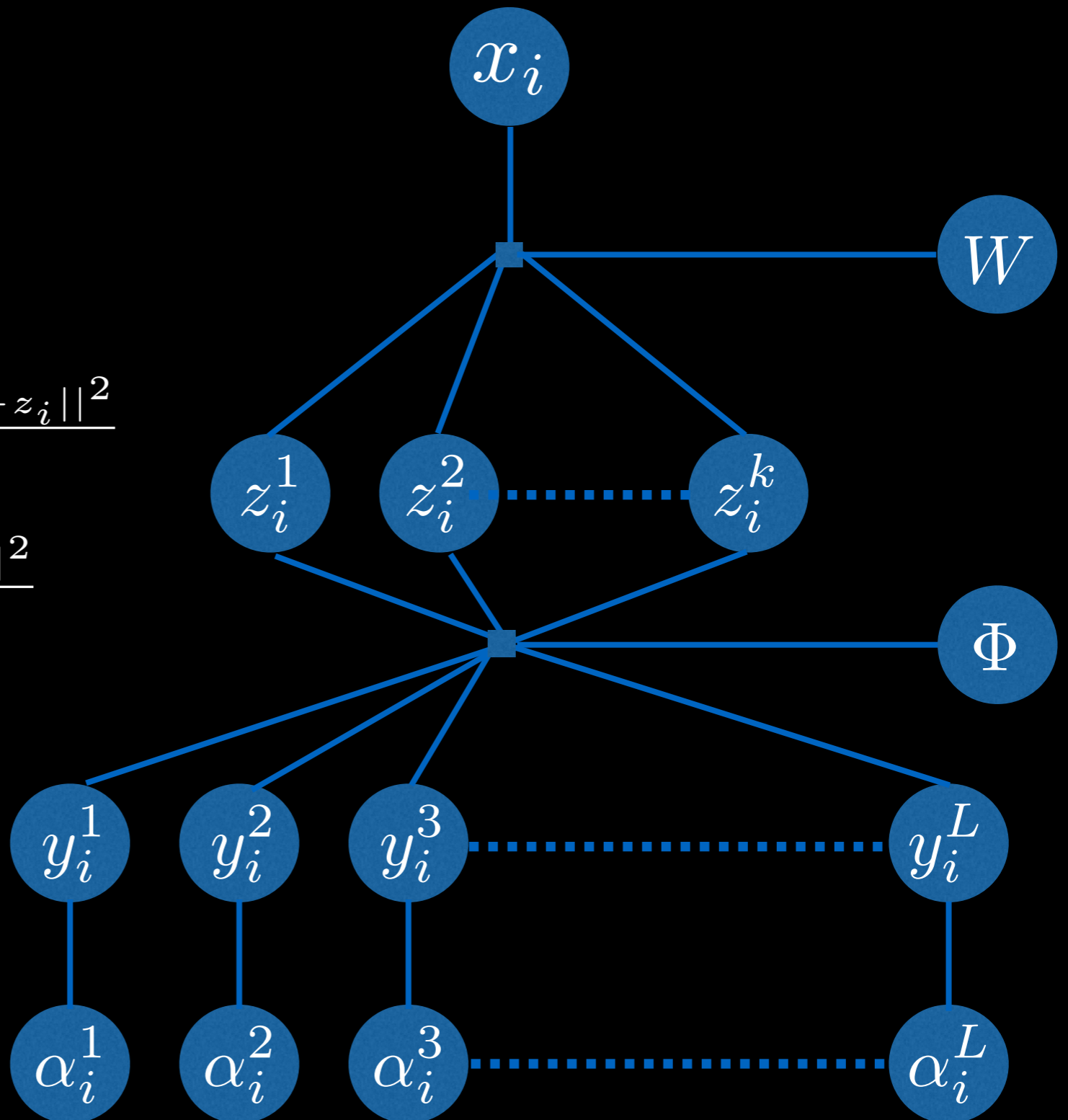
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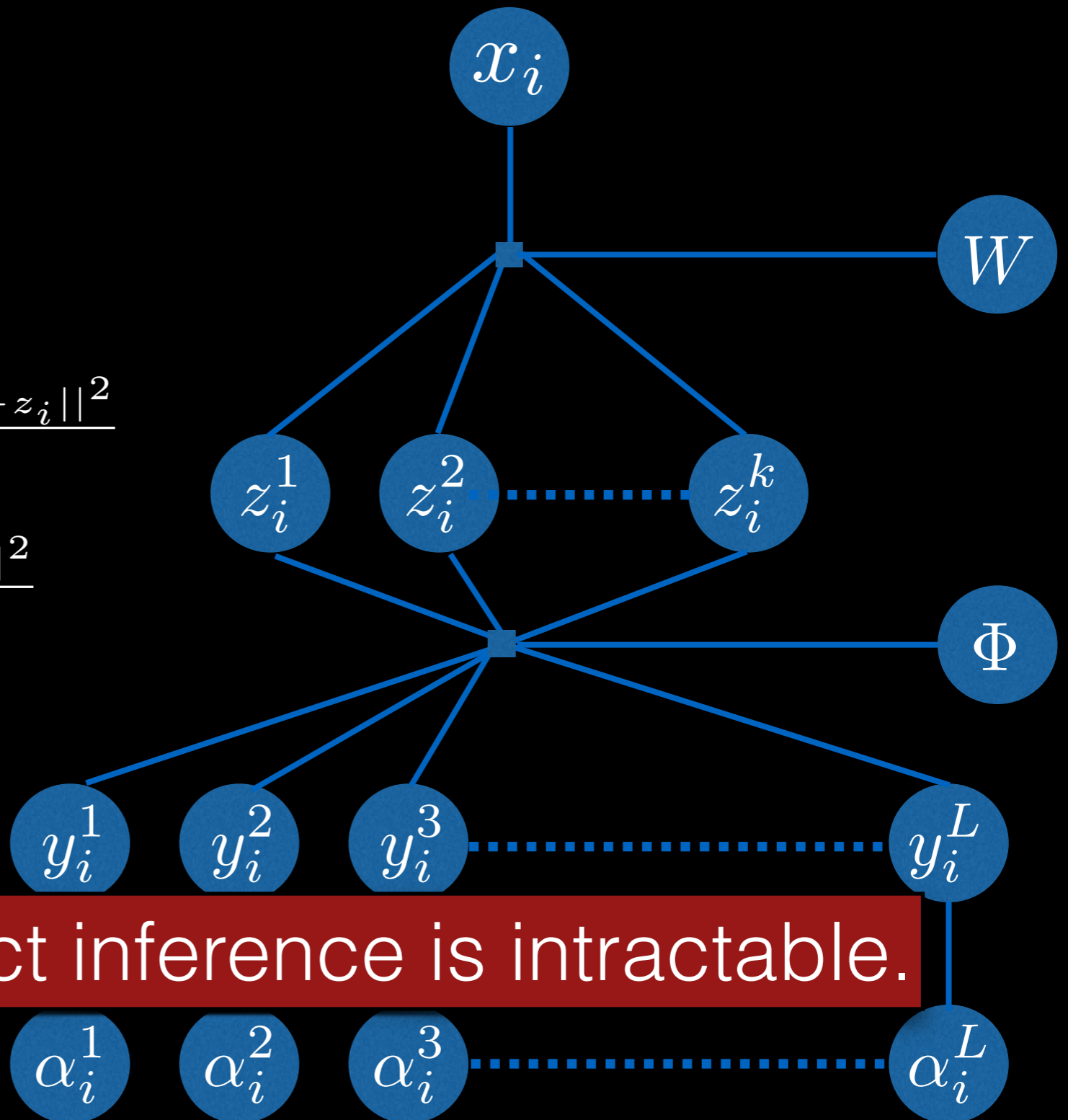
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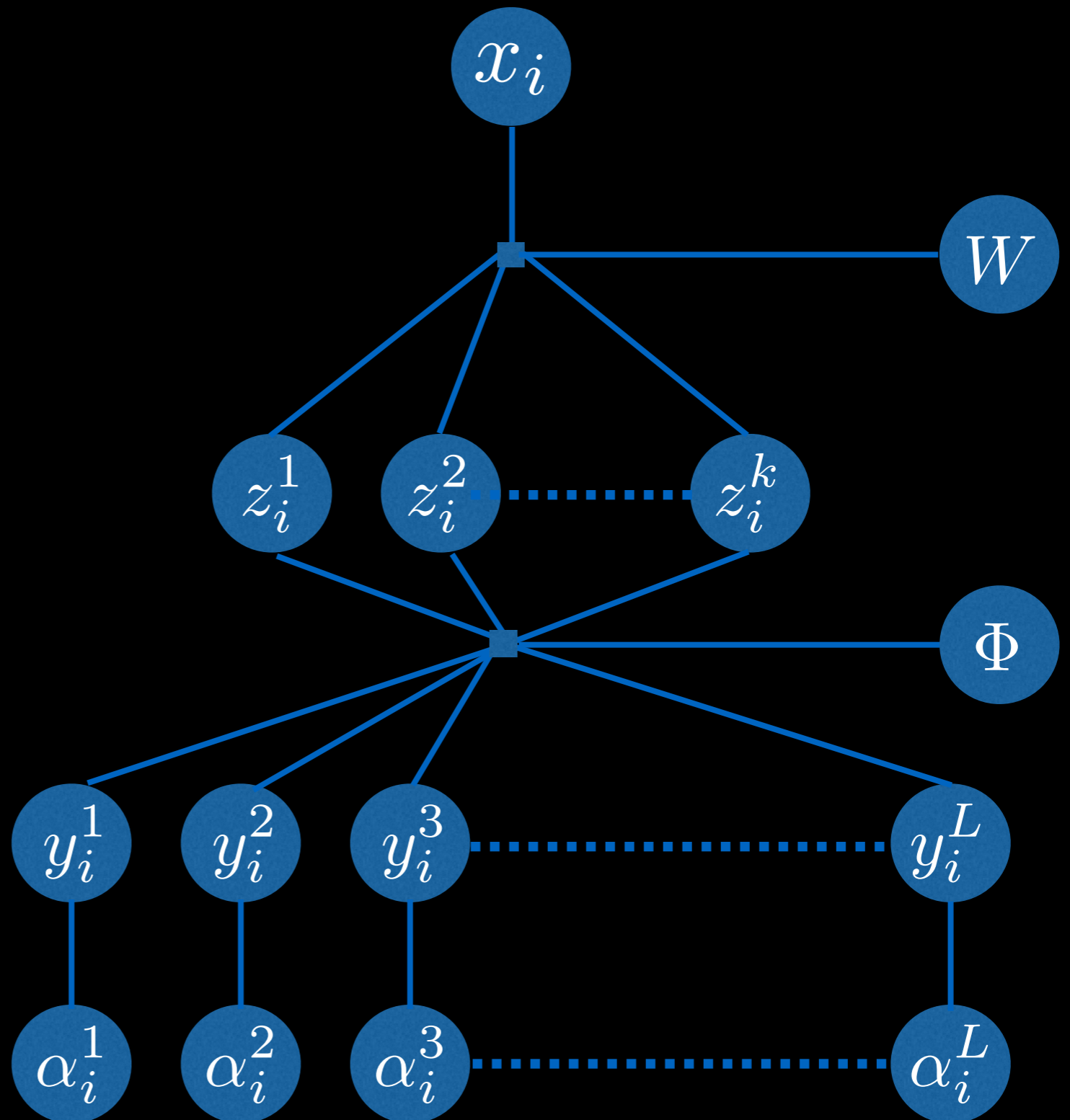
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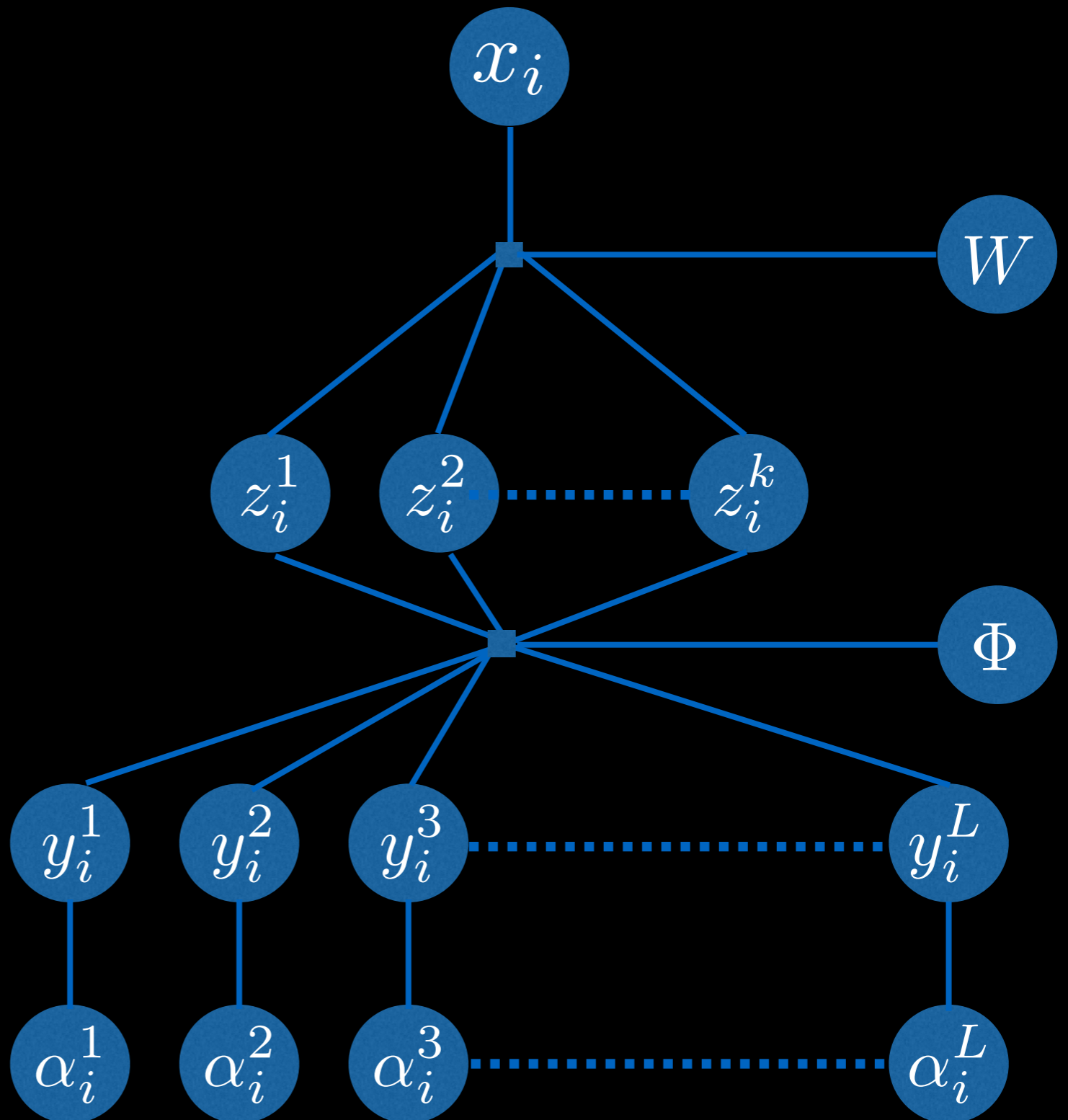
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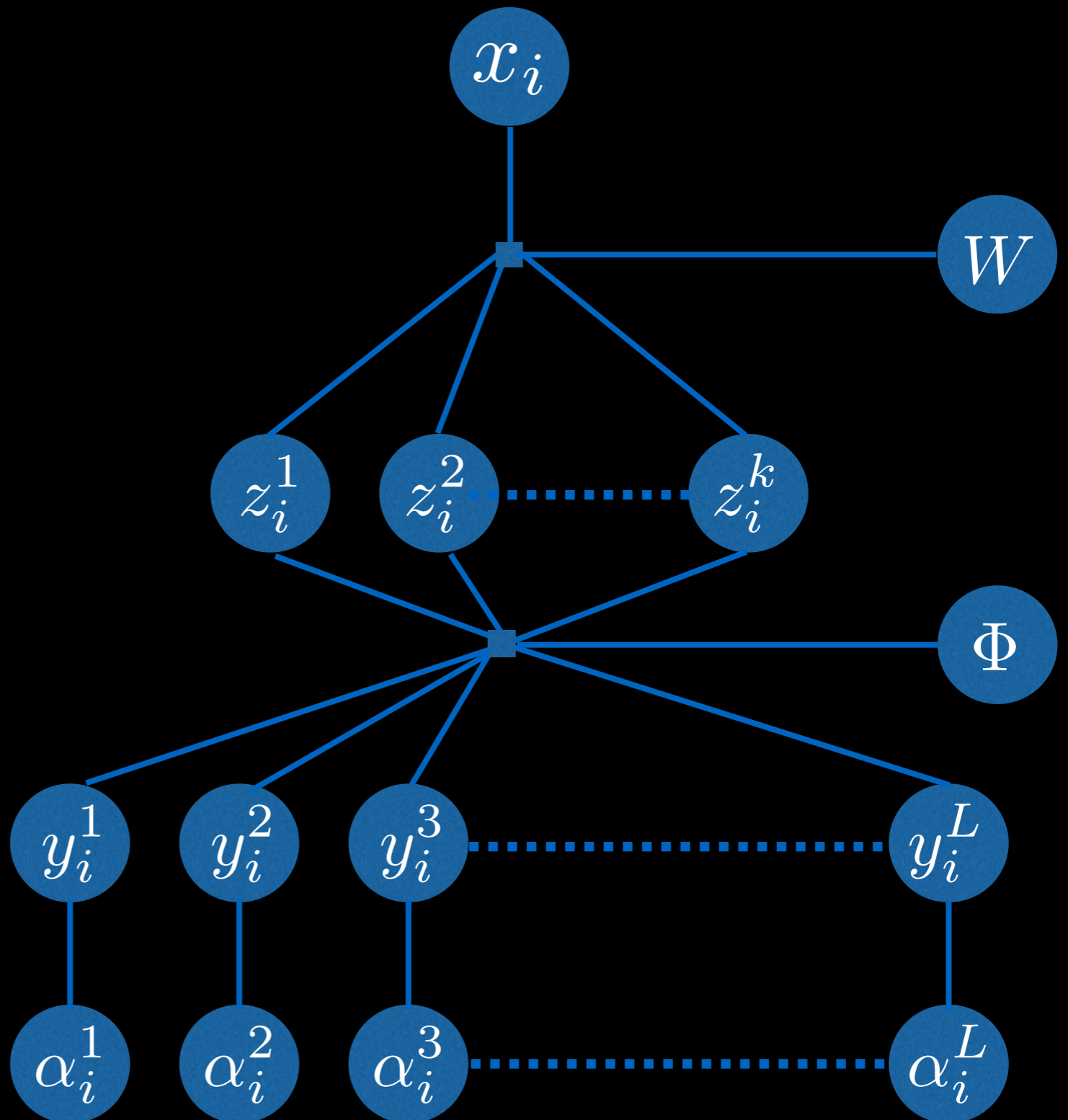
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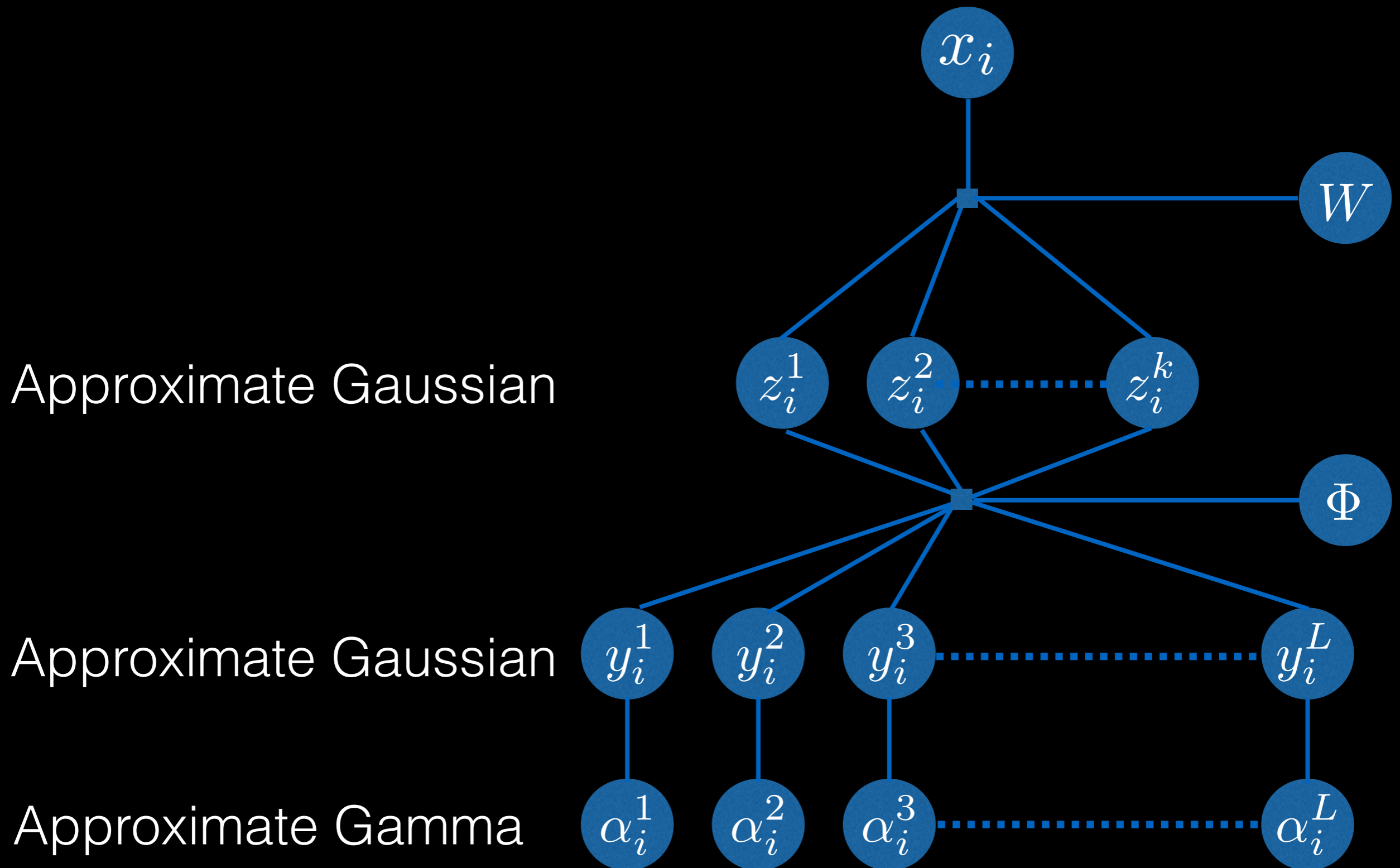
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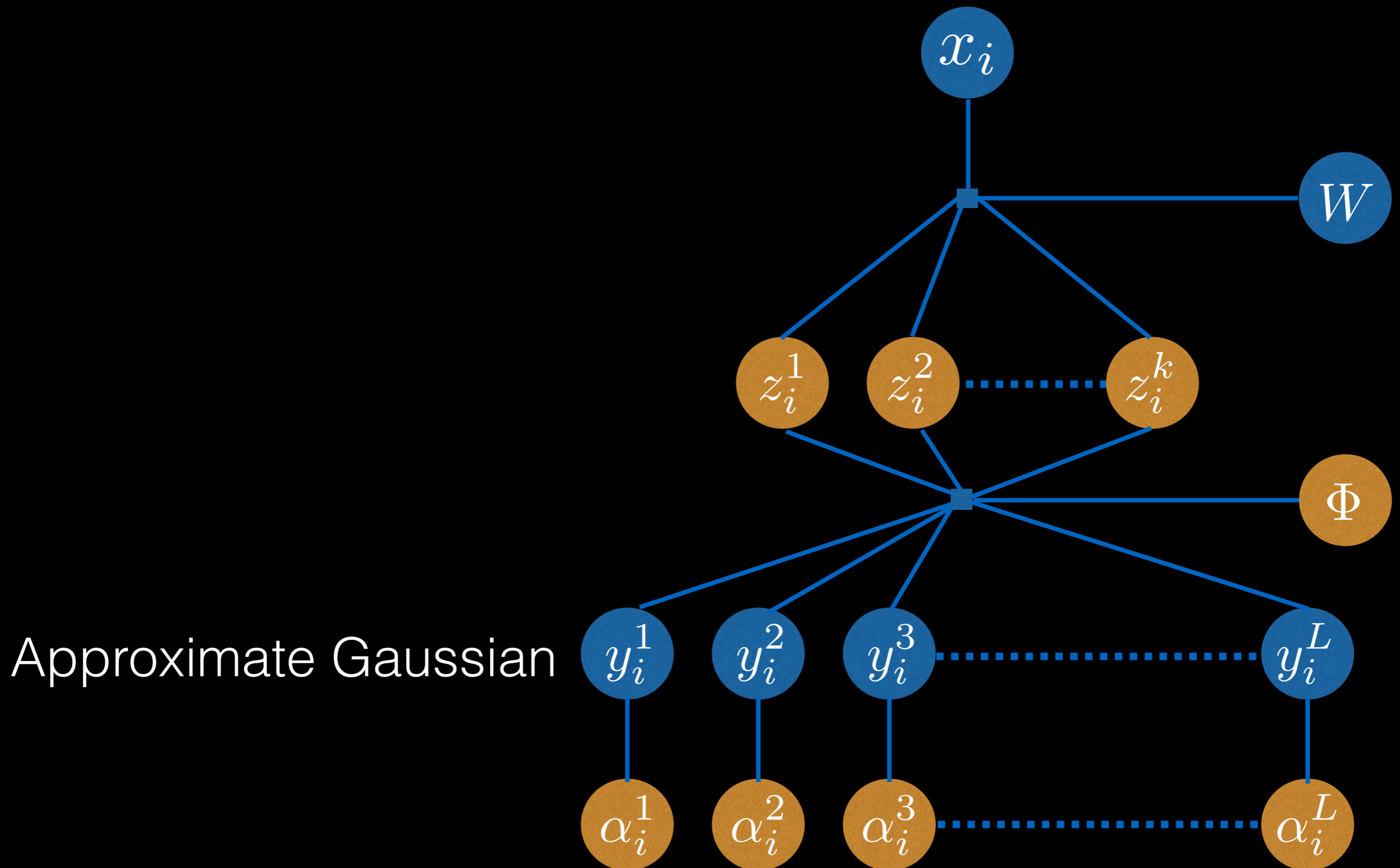
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Active Learning Criteria

- Entropy: Is a measure of uncertainty. For a random variable X , the entropy H is given as:

$$H(X) = - \sum_i P(x_i) \log(P(x_i))$$

- Picks points far apart from each other
- For a Gaussian process, $H = \frac{1}{2} \log(|\Sigma|) + \text{const}$

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- Mutual Information: Measures reduction in uncertainty over unlabeled space

$$MI(A, B) = H(A) - H(A|B)$$

- Used in past work successfully for regression

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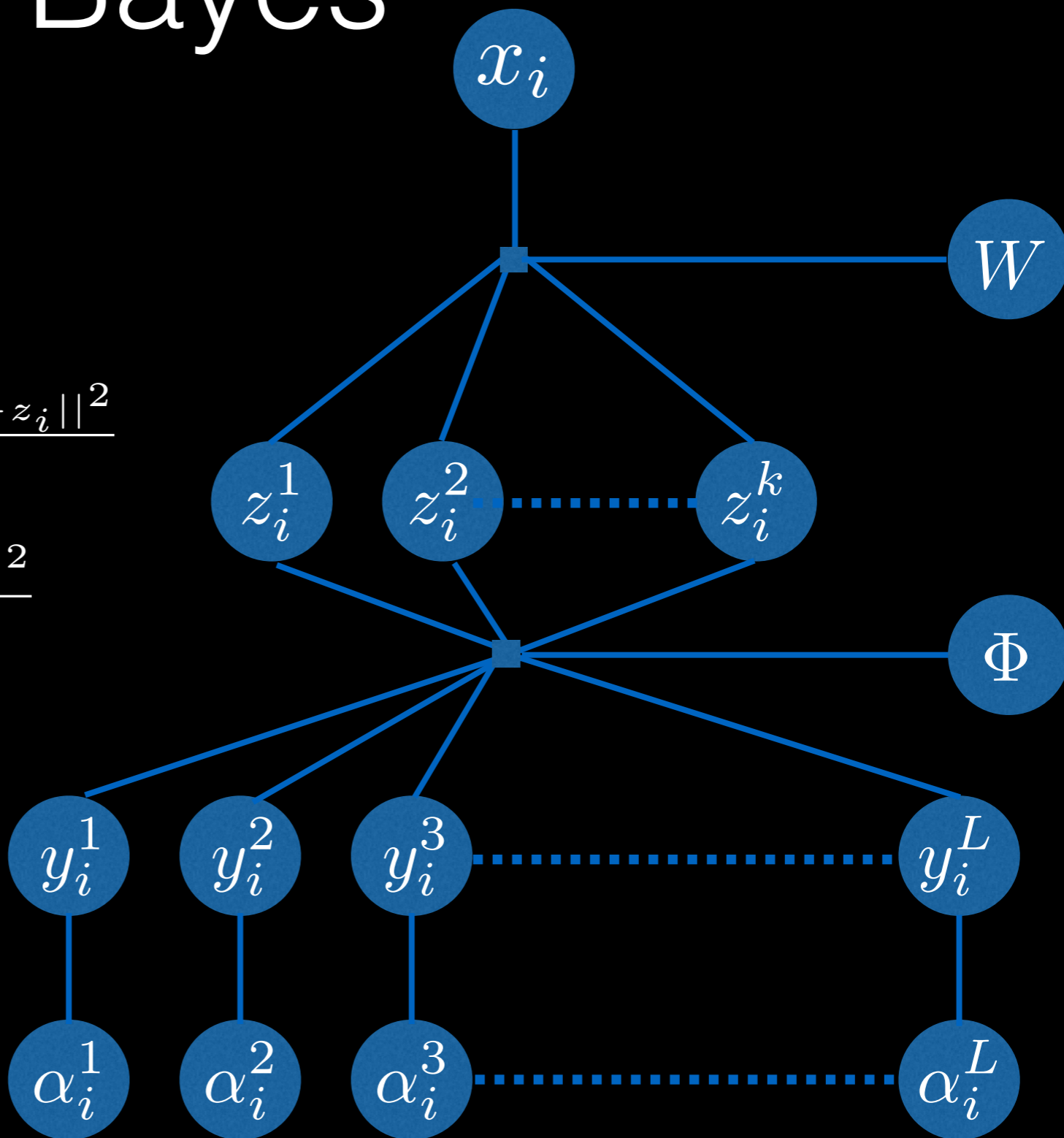
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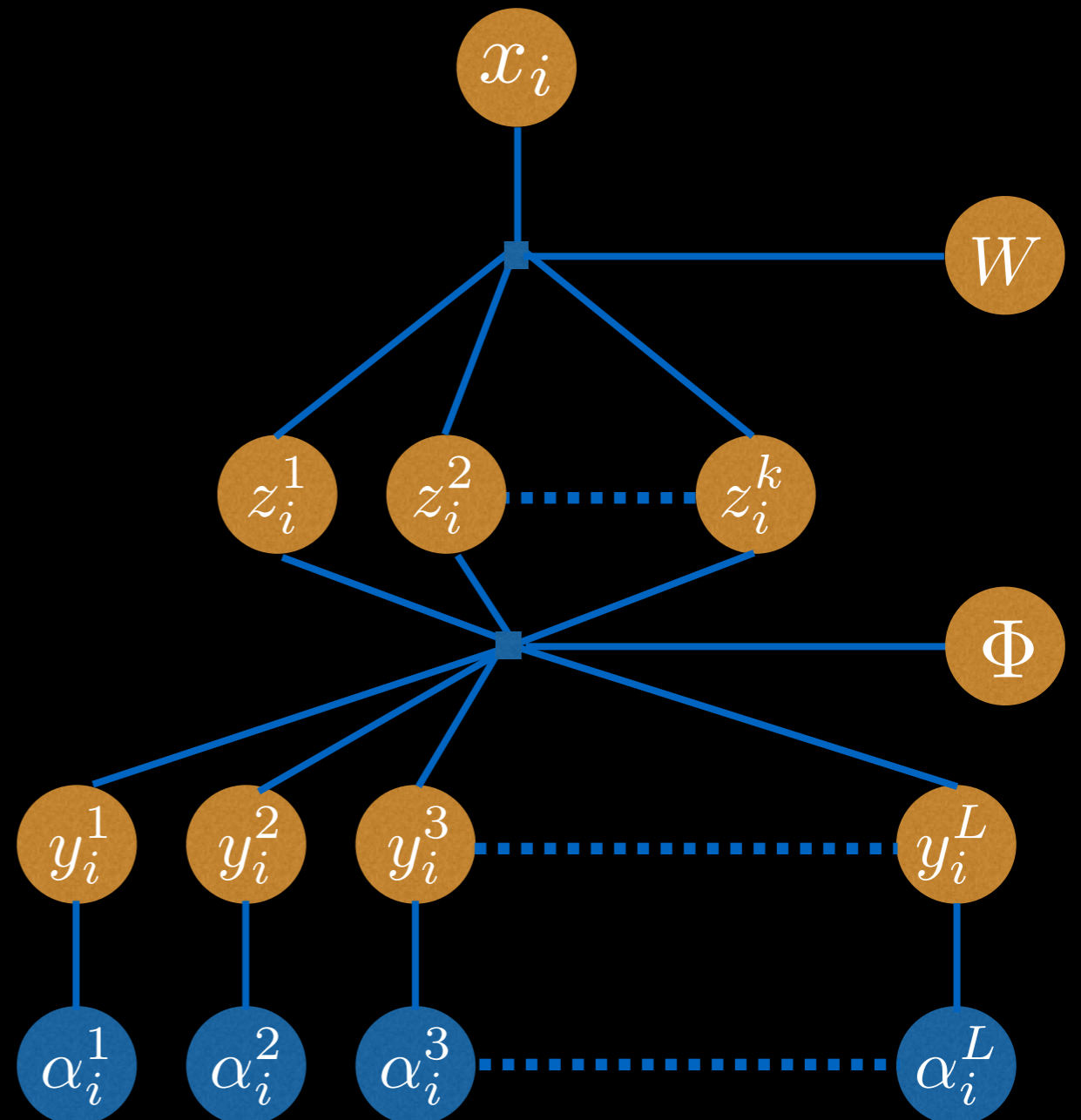
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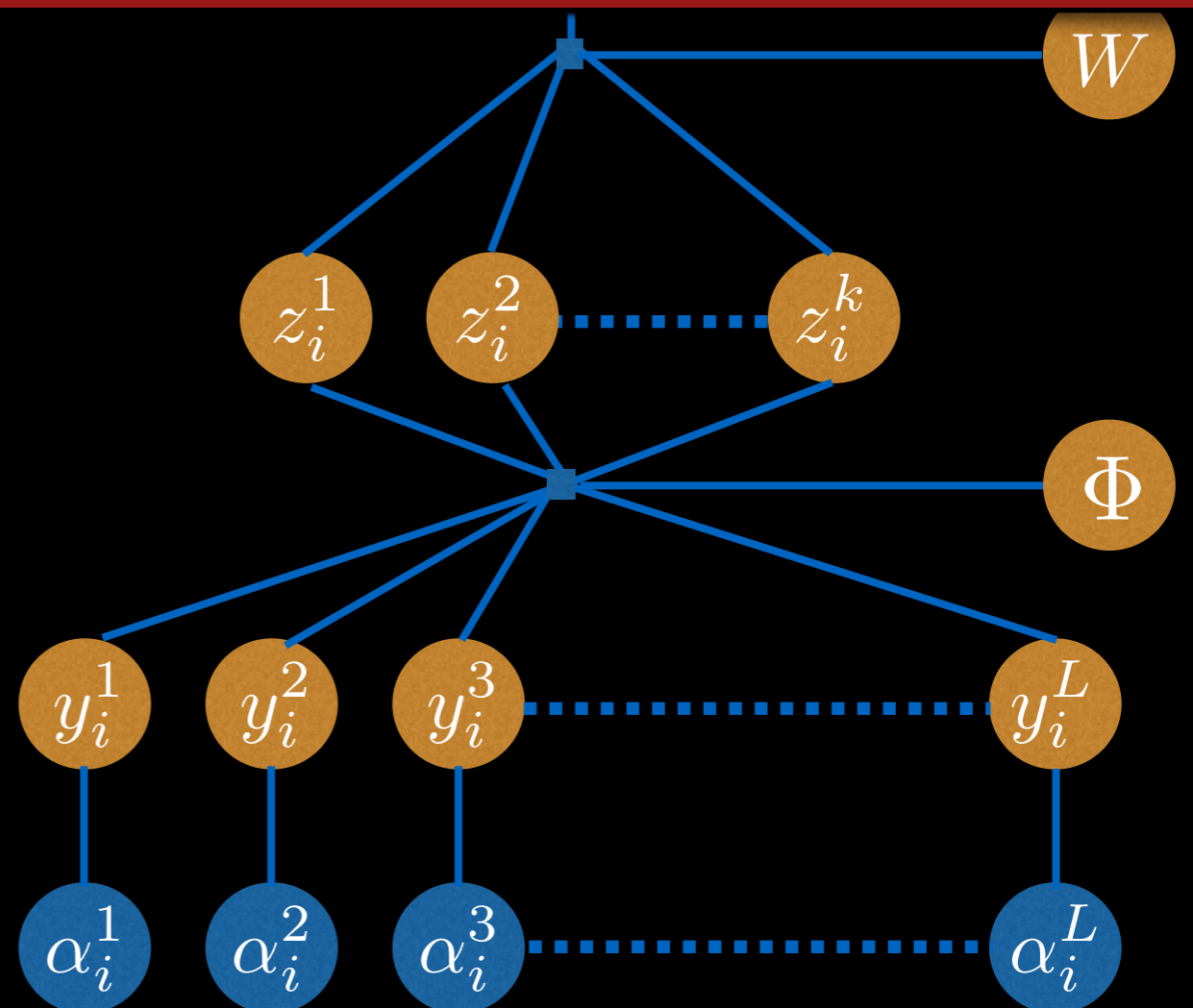
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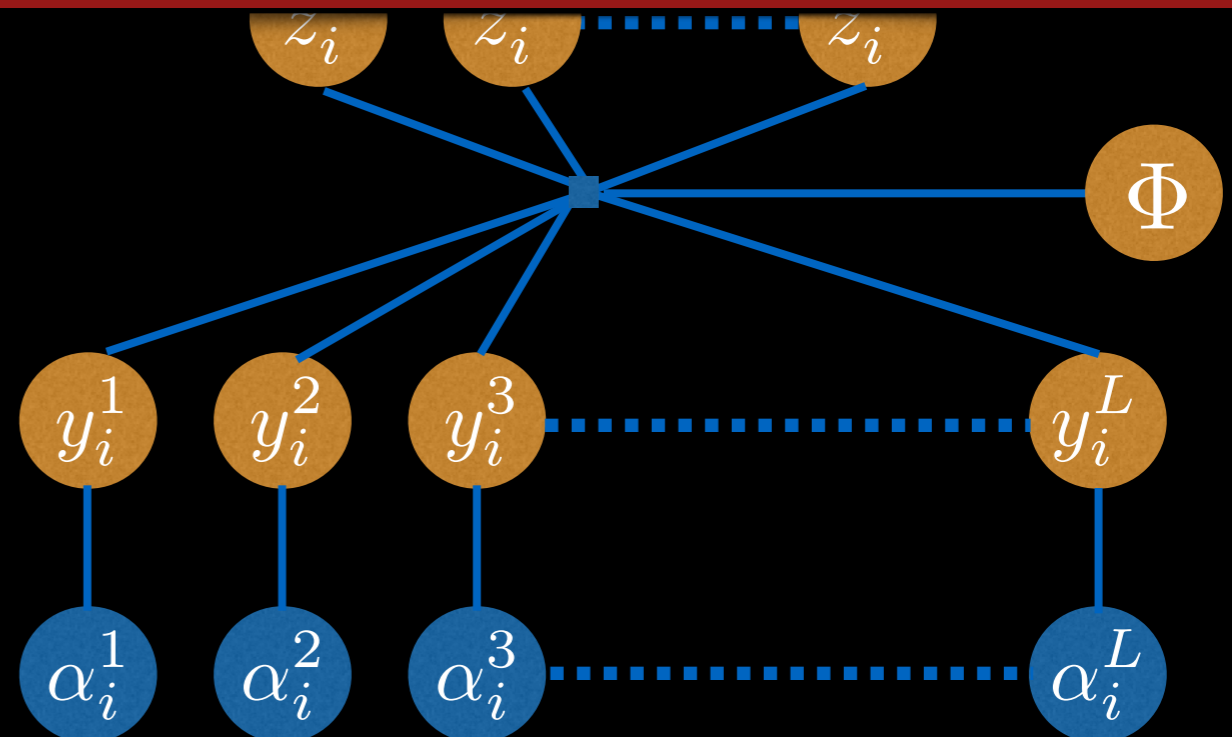
Use Variational Bayes for sparsity

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Problem: Computing Mutual Information still needs exponential time

Solution: Approximate Mutual Information

- Approximate the final distribution over Y by a Gaussian
- Use the Gaussian to estimate the mutual information
- Theorem 1: $\lim_{a_0 \rightarrow 0, b_0 \rightarrow 0} \hat{M}I \rightarrow MI$

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Problem: Subset selection problem is NP complete

Solution: Use Submodularity

- Under some weak conditions, the objective is sub-modular
- Sub-modularity ensures that the greedy solution is a constant times the optimal solution

Algorithm

- Input: Feature vectors for a set of unlabeled instance, U and a budget n
- Iteratively, add a datapoint x to labeled set A , such that x leads to maximum increase in MI

$$x \leftarrow \arg \max_{x \in U \setminus A} \hat{M}I(A \cup x) - \hat{M}I(A)$$

Performance Evaluation

Datasets

Dataset	Type	Instances	Features	Labels
Yeast	Biology	2417	103	14
MSRC	Image	591	1024	23
Medical	Text	978	1449	45
Enron	Text	1702	1001	53
Mediamill	Video	43907	120	101
RCV1	Text	6000	47236	101
Bookmarks	Text	87856	2150	208
Delicious	Text	16105	500	983

Setup

- Unlabeled pool size: 4000 points, test size: 2000 points
- For smaller datasets, the entire data was in unlabeled pool. Testing on all unlabeled data
- Initial seed size: 500 points

Compared Algorithms

- **MIML**: Mutual Information for Multilabel Classification (proposed method).
- **Uncert**: Uncertainty sampling (Entropy based)
- **Rand**: Random sampling
- **Li-Adaptive***: SVM based adaptive active learning

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IJCAI 2013

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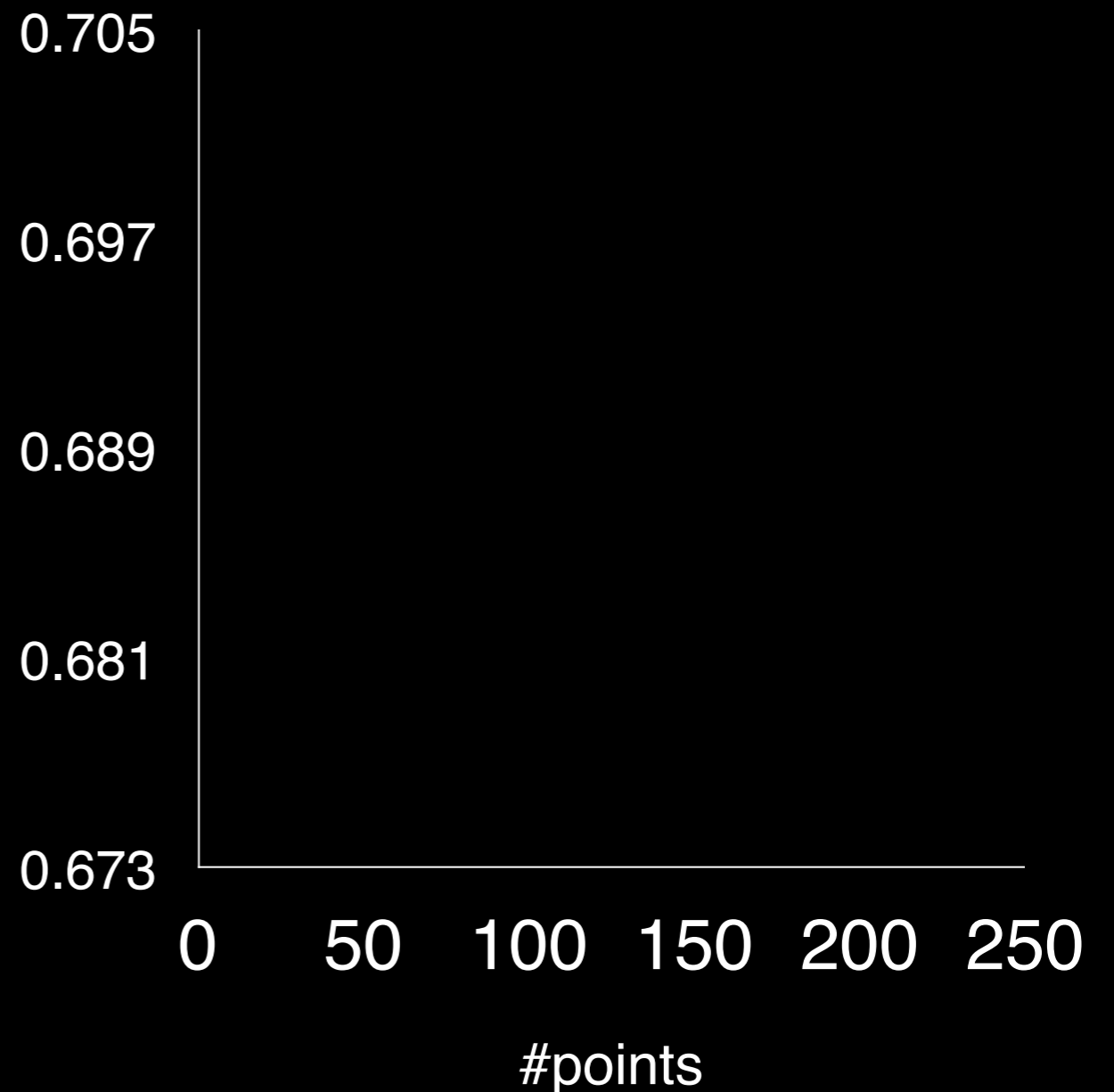
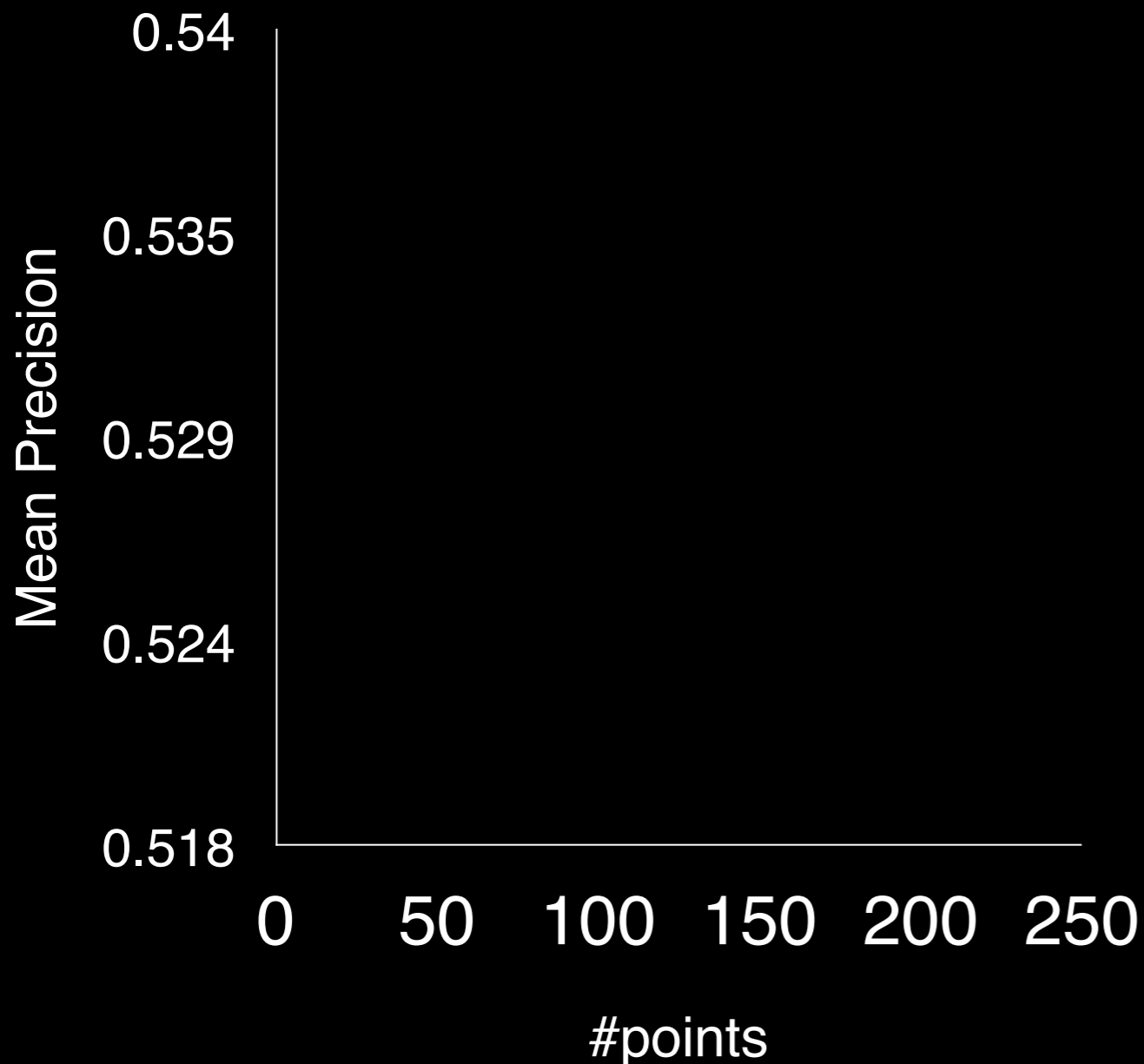
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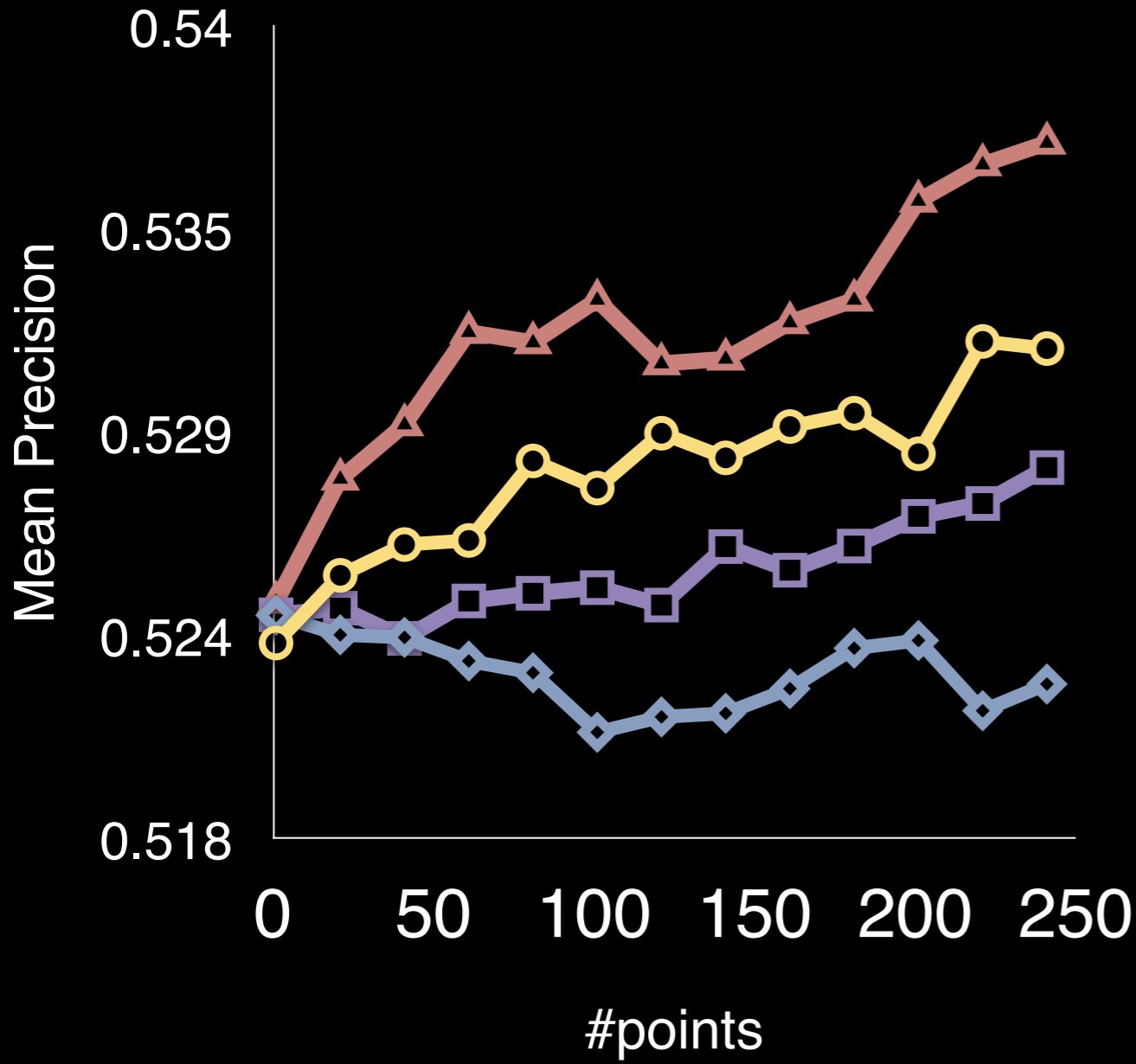
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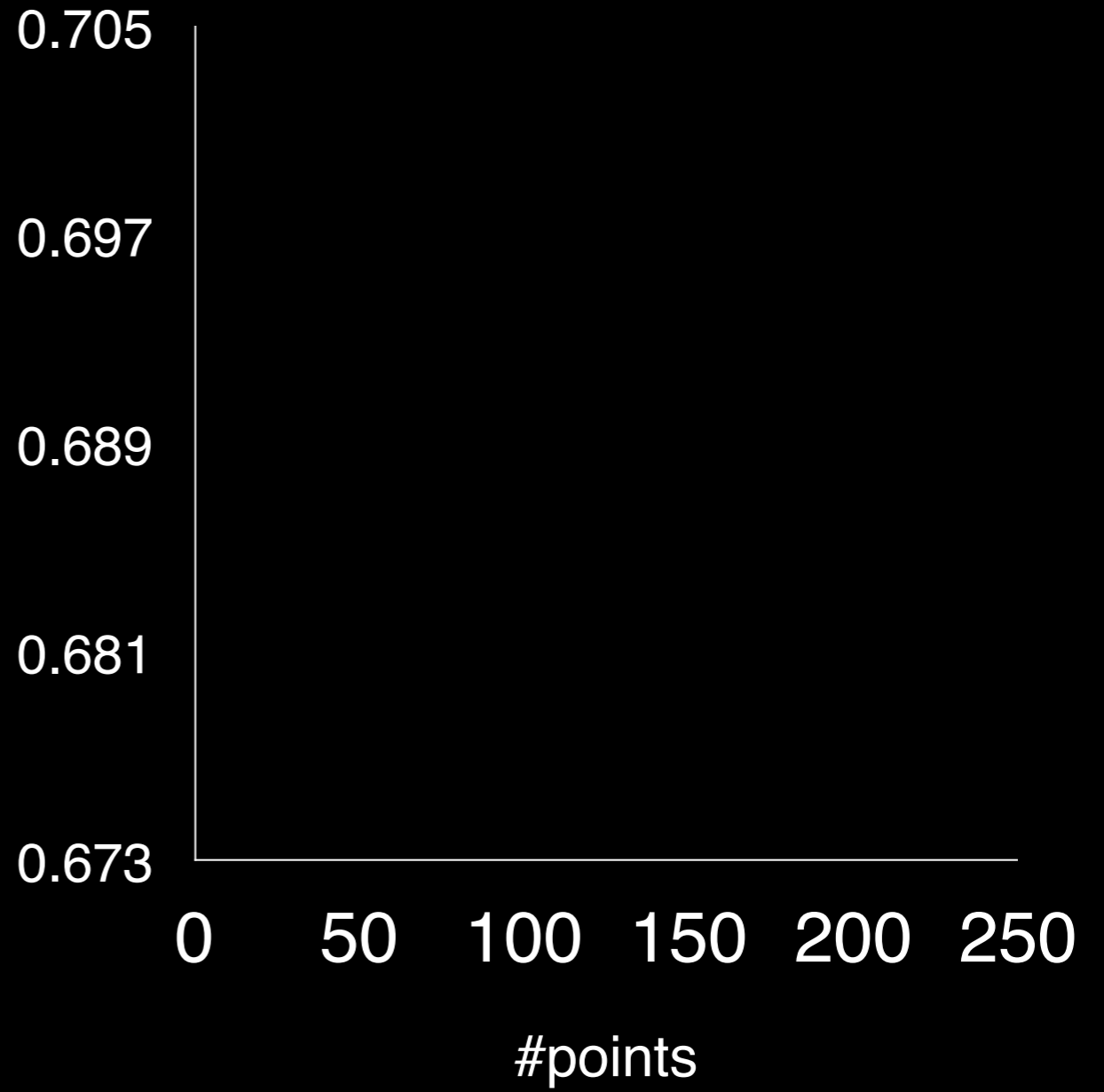
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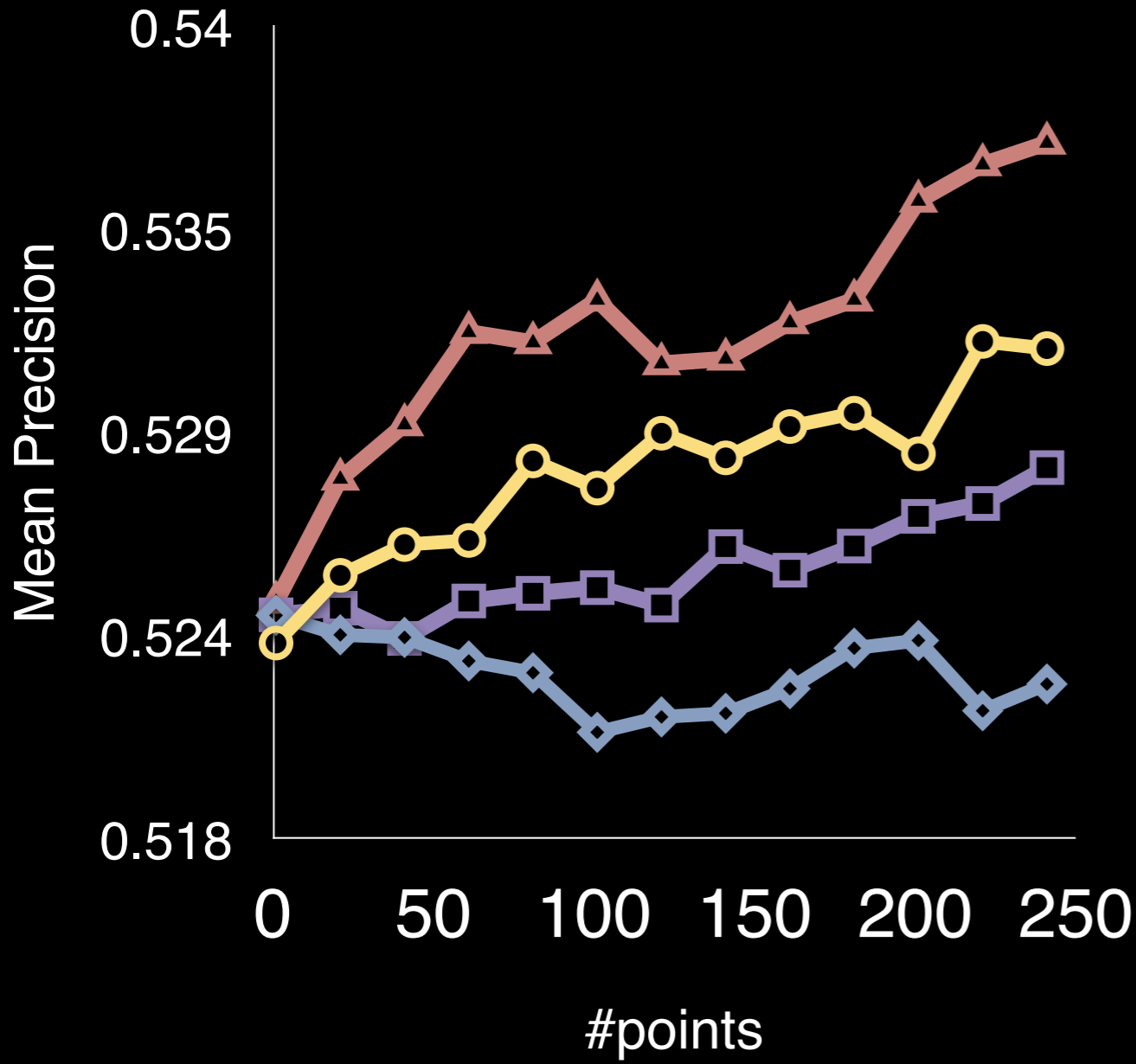
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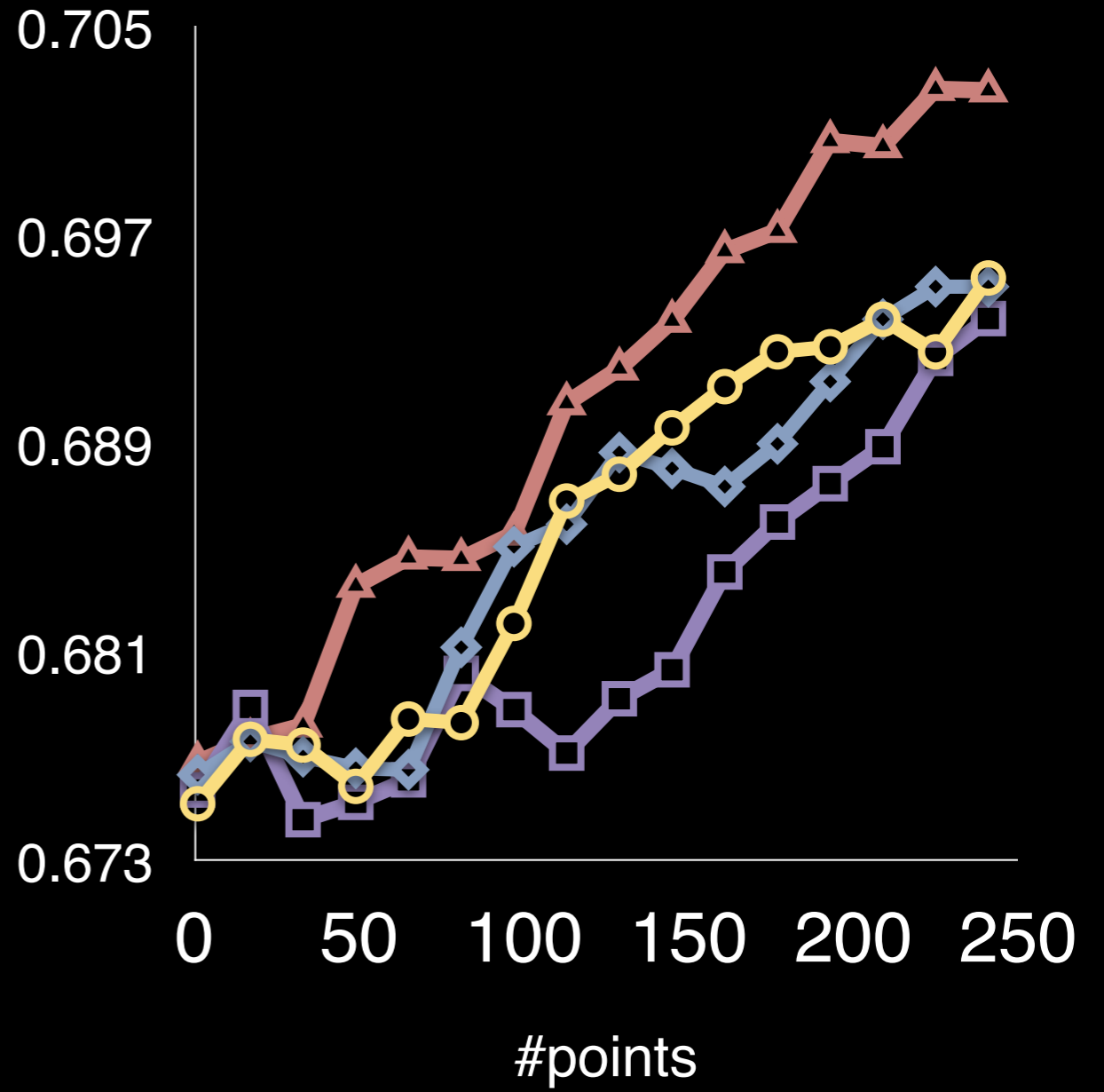
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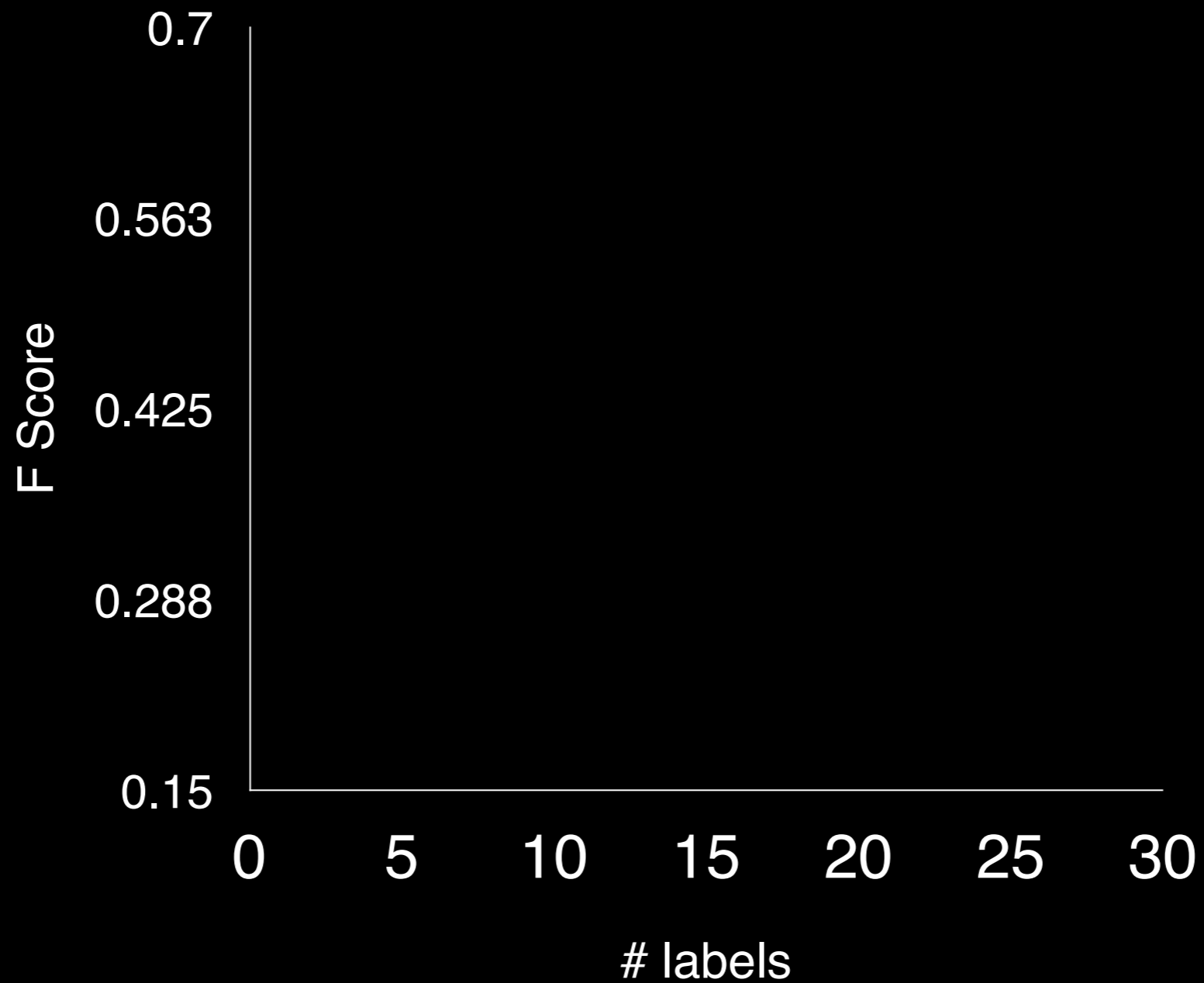


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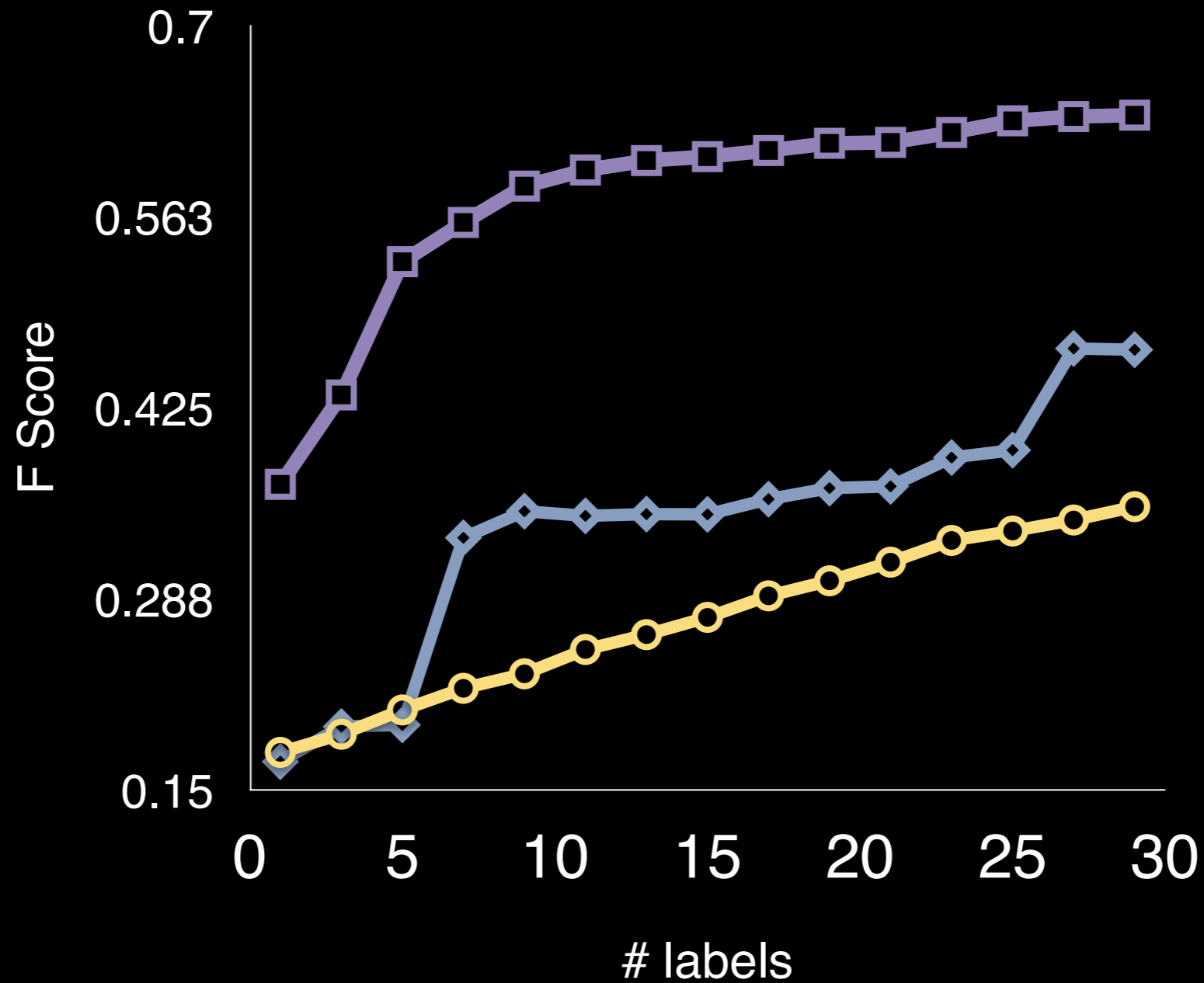
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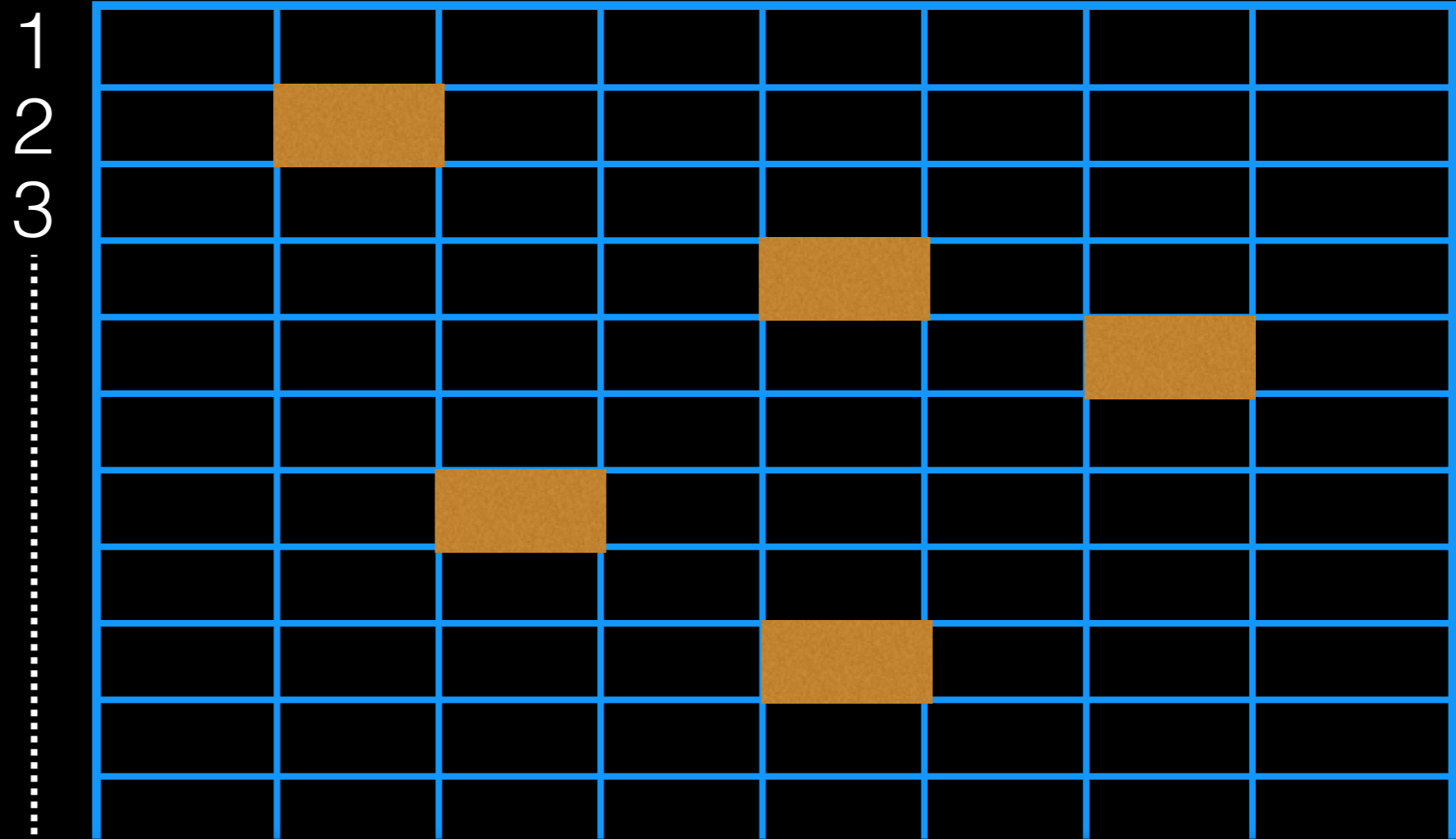
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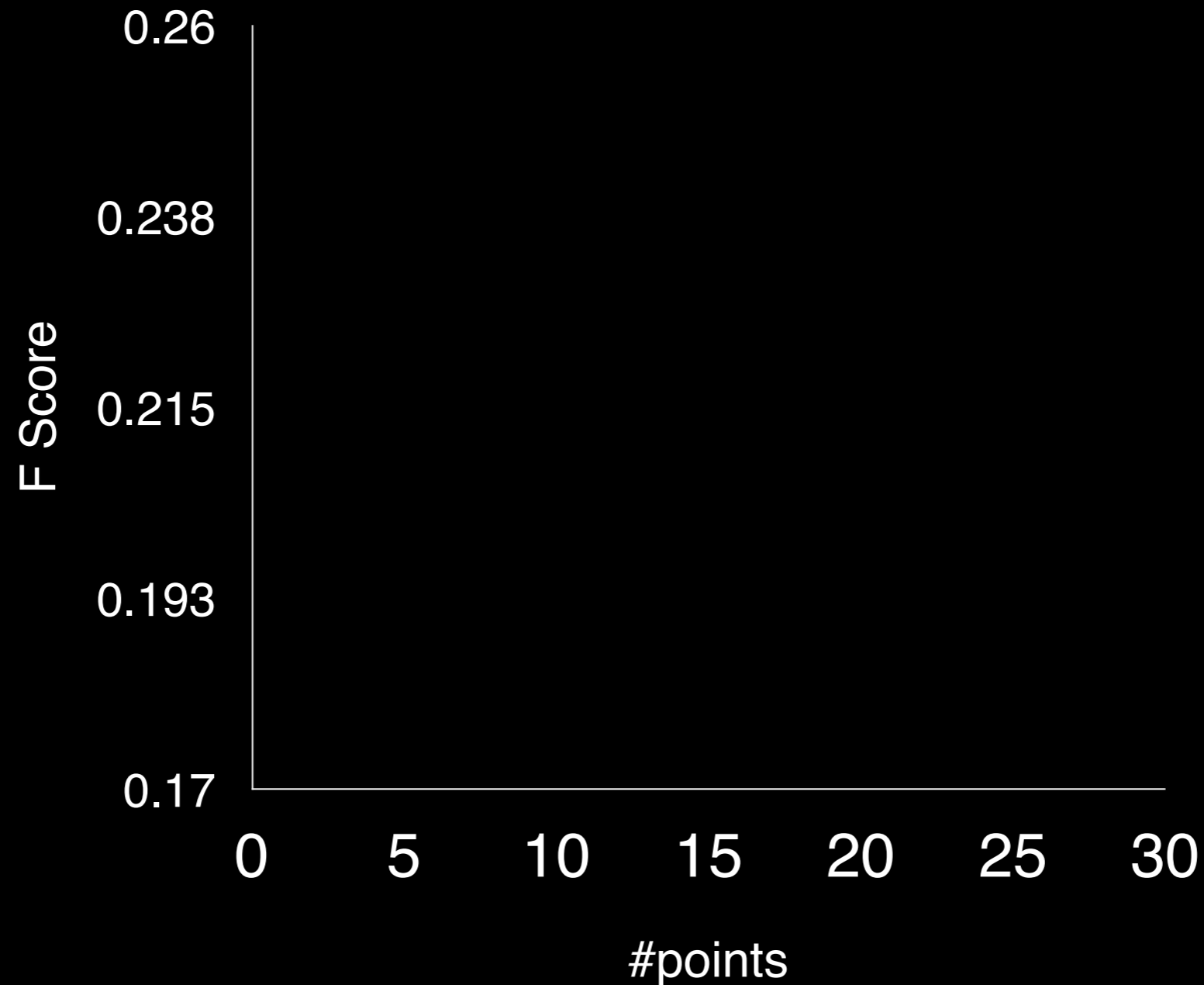
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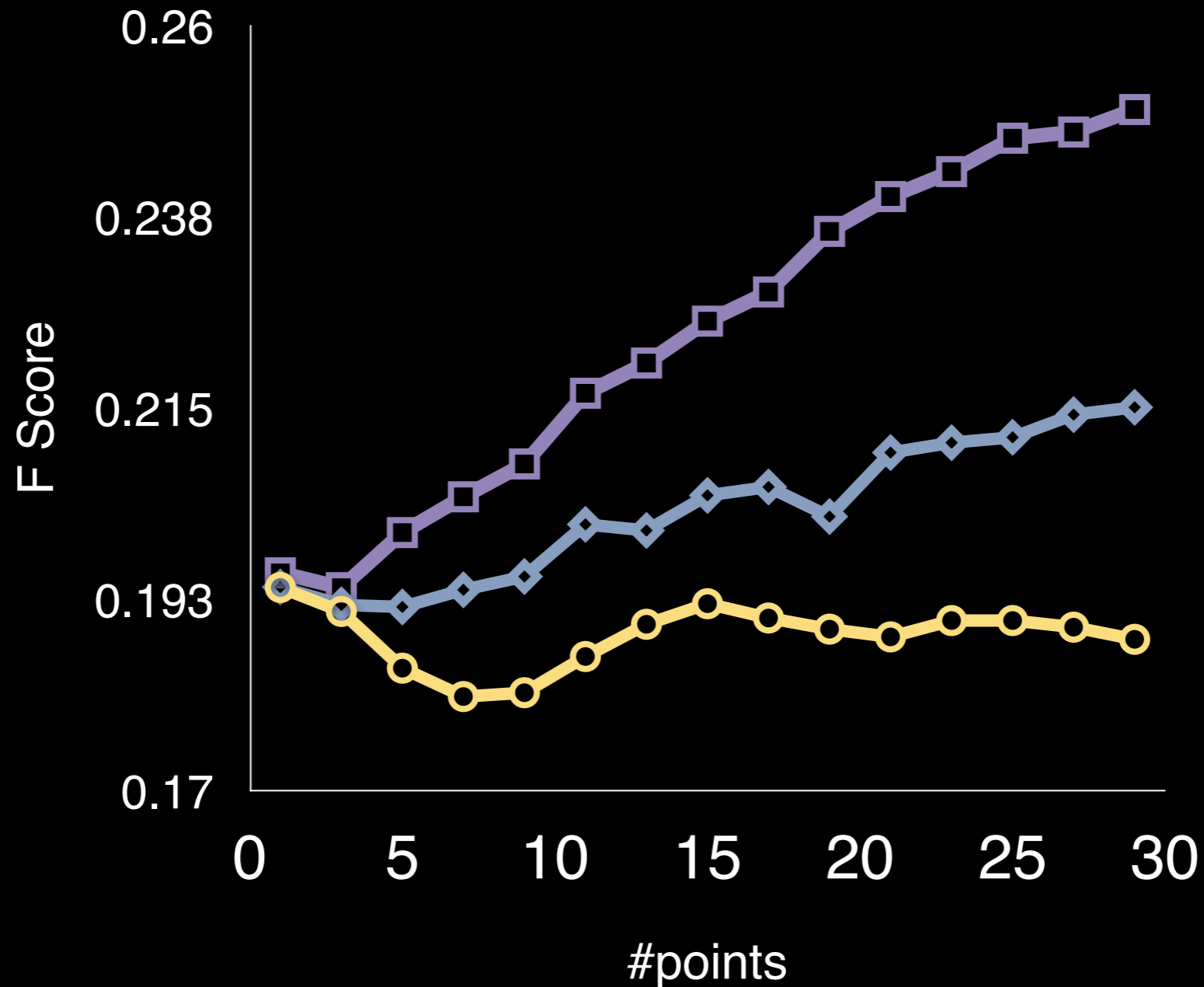
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Time Complexity

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Related Work

- SVM based Active Learning: Li et al [IJCAI, 2013], Yang et al [KDD 2009], Esuli et al [ECIR 2009], Li et al [ICIP 2004], ...
- Mutual Information: Krause et al [UAI 2005], Krause et al [JMLR 2008], Singh et al [JAIR 2009], ...

Conclusion

- Proposed mutual information based active learning for multi-label classification
- Collapsed Variational Bayes to infer variances
- Theoretical analysis of mutual information approximation showing that it is near-optimal
- Showed significant empirical improvements over the state-of-the-art