

# Tensors in MATLAB

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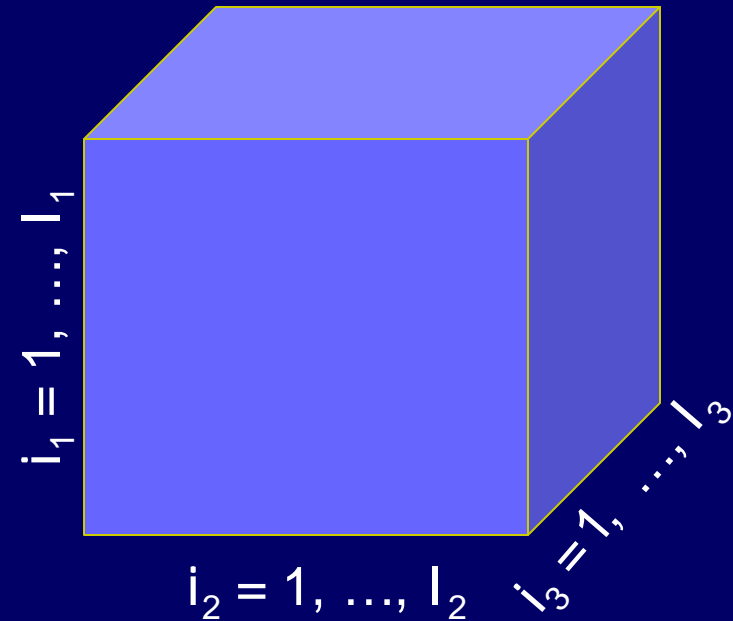


# Introduction & Notation

# Basic Notation

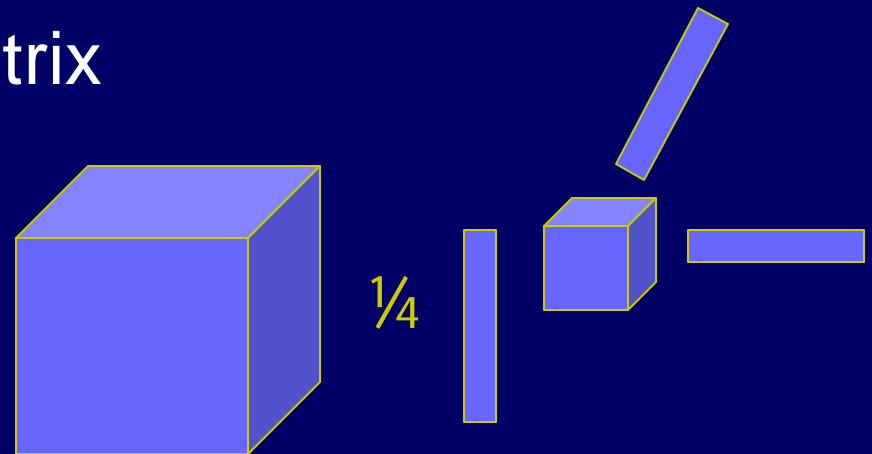
- Indices:  $n = 1, \dots, N$
- Vector:  $a$  of size  $I_1$
- Matrix:  $A$  of size  $I_1 \times I_2$
- Tensor:  $A$  of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$
- The *order* of  $A$  is  $N$ 
  - “Higher-order” means  $N > 2$
- The  $n$ th *mode* of  $A$  is of dimension  $I_n$ 
  - mode = *dimension* or *way*

Tensor  $A$  of size  
 $I_1 \times I_2 \times I_3$



# Operations on Tensors

- Element-wise: add, subtract, etc.
- Multiply
  - Times a vector or sequence of vectors
  - Times a matrix or sequence of matrices
  - Times another tensor
- Convert to / from a matrix
- Decompose





# Tensor Operations

# Tensors in MATLAB

- MATLAB is a high-level computing environment
- Higher-order tensors can be stored as multidimensional array (MDA) objects
- But operations on MDAs are limited
  - E.g., no matrix multiplication
- MATLAB's class functionality enables users to create their own objects
- The **tensor** class extends the MDA capabilities to include multiplication and more
  - Will show examples at the end of the talk

# n-Mode Multiplication (with a Matrix)

$$\mathcal{A} \times_n U$$

- Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a tensor of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \cdots \times I_N$
- Let  $U$  be a matrix of size  $J_n \times I_n$
- Result size:  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_{n-1} \times J_n \times I_{n+1} \times \cdots \times I_N$

$$(\mathcal{A} \times_n U)(i_1, \dots, i_{n-1}, j_n, i_{n+1}, \dots, i_N)$$

$$= \sum_{i_n=1}^{I_n} \mathcal{A}(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N) U(j_n, i_n).$$



# Matrix Interpretation

- A of size  $m \times n$ , U of size  $m \times k$ , V of size  $n \times k$ ,  $\Sigma$  of size  $k \times k$

$$A \times_1 U^T = U^T A$$

$$A \times_2 V^T = AV$$

$$\Sigma \times_1 U \times_2 V = U \Sigma V^T$$

# Property

$$A \times_m U \times_n V$$

$$= (A \times_m U) \times_n V$$

$$= (A \times_n V) \times_m U$$

# Multiplication with a Sequence of Matrices

- Let  $A$  be a tensor of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$
- Let each  $U^{(n)}$  be a matrix of size  $J_n \times I_n$

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \times_1 U^{(1)} \times_2 U^{(2)} \dots \times_N U^{(N)}$$

- $B$  is a tensor of size  $J_1 \times J_2 \times \dots \times J_N$
- New notation

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \times \{U\}$$

# Multiplication with **all but one** of a Sequence of Matrices

- Let  $A$  be a tensor of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$
- Let each  $U^{(n)}$  be a matrix of size  $J_n \times I_n$

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \times_1 U^{(1)} \dots \times_{n-1} U^{(n-1)} \times_{n+1} U^{(n+1)} \dots \times_N U^{(N)}$$

- $B$  of size  $J_1 \times \dots \times J_{n-1} \times I_n \times J_{n+1} \times \dots \times J_N$
- New notation

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \times_{-n} \{U\}$$

# Tensor Multiplication with a Vector

$$\mathcal{A} \bar{\times}_n u$$

Bar over operator indicates contracted product.

- Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a tensor of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$
- Let  $u$  be a vector of size  $I_n$
- Result size:  $I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1} \times I_{n+1} \times \dots \times I_N$  (order  $N-1$ )

$$(\mathcal{A} \bar{\times}_n u)(i_1, \dots, i_{n-1}, i_{n+1}, \dots, i_N)$$

$$= \sum_{i_n=1}^{I_n} \mathcal{A}(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N) u(i_n).$$

# Matrix Interpretation

- $A$  of size  $m \times n$ ,  $u$  of size  $m$ ,  $v$  of size  $n$

$$A \bar{x}_1 u = A^T u$$

$$A \bar{x}_2 v = Av$$

# Order Matters in Vector Case

$$\mathcal{A} \bar{x}_m u \bar{x}_n v$$

$$= (\mathcal{A} \bar{x}_m u) \bar{x}_{n-1} v$$

$$= (\mathcal{A} \bar{x}_n v) \bar{x}_m u$$

(assuming  $m < n$ )

# Multiplication with a Sequence of Vectors

- Let  $A$  be a tensor of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$
- Let each  $u^{(n)}$  be a vector of size  $I_n$

$$\beta = \mathcal{A} \bar{x}_1 u^{(1)} \bar{x}_2 u^{(2)} \dots \bar{x}_N u^{(N)}$$

- $\beta$  is a scalar
- New notation

$$\beta = \mathcal{A} \bar{x} \{u\}$$



# Multiplication with **all but one** of a Sequence of Vectors

- Let  $A$  be a tensor of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$
- Let each  $u^{(n)}$  be a matrix of size  $I_n$

$$b = \mathcal{A} \bar{x}_1 u^{(1)} \dots \bar{x}_{n-1} u^{(n-1)} \bar{x}_{n+1} u^{(n+1)} \dots \bar{x}_N u^{(N)}$$

- Result is vector  $b$  of size  $I_n$
- New notation

$$b = \mathcal{A} \bar{x}_{-n} \{u\}$$

# Multiplying two Tensors

- Let A and B be tensors of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$

$$\langle \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \rangle =$$

$$\sum_{i_1=1}^{I_1} \sum_{i_2=1}^{I_2} \dots \sum_{i_N=1}^{I_N} \mathcal{A}(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N) \mathcal{B}(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N)$$

- Result is a scalar
- Frobenius norm is just  $\|\mathcal{A}\|_F^2 = \langle \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A} \rangle$

# Multiplying two Tensors

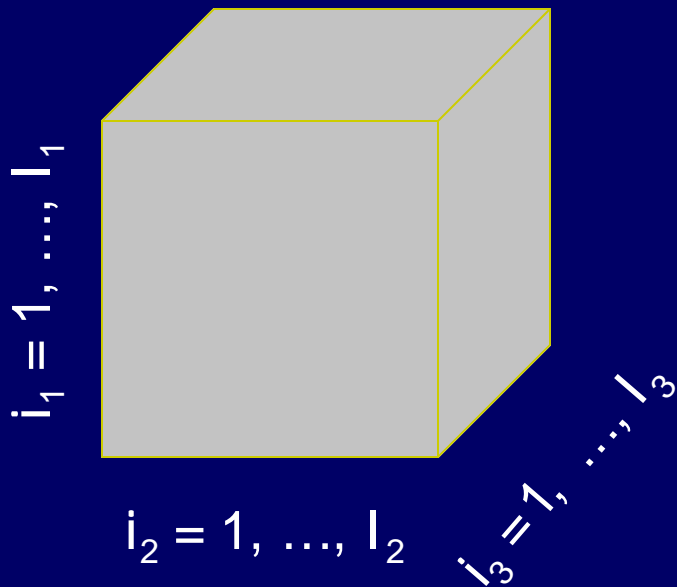
- Let  $A$  be of size  $I_1 \times \dots \times I_M \times J_1 \times \dots \times J_N$
- Let  $B$  be of size  $I_1 \times \dots \times I_M \times K_1 \times \dots \times K_P$

$$\langle \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \rangle_{\{1, \dots, M; 1, \dots, M\}}(j_1, \dots, j_N, k_1, \dots, k_P) =$$

$$\sum_{i_1=1}^{I_1} \dots \sum_{i_M=1}^{I_M} \mathcal{A}(i_1, \dots, i_M, j_1, \dots, j_N) \mathcal{B}(i_1, \dots, i_M, k_1, \dots, k_P).$$

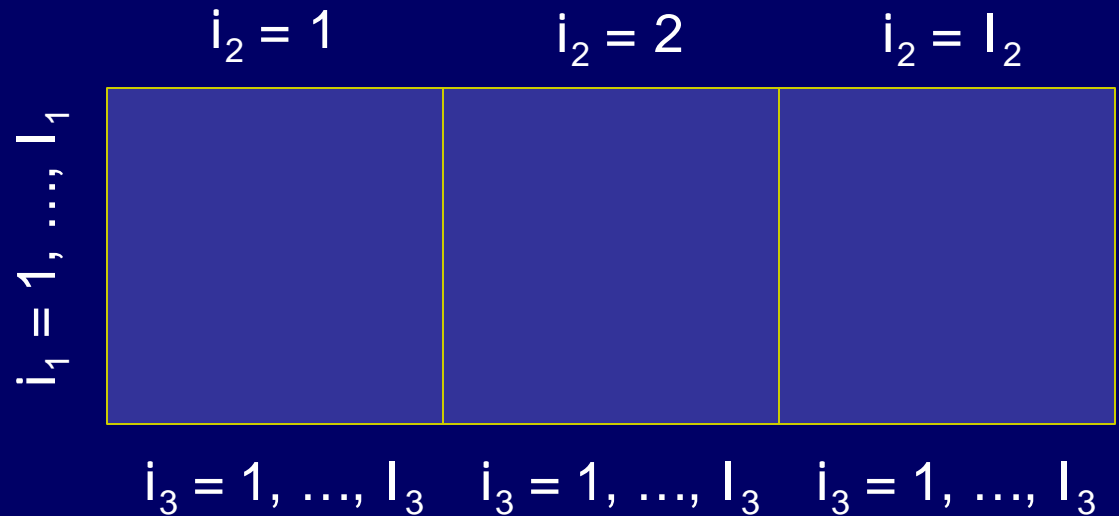
- Result is of size  $J_1 \times \dots \times J_N \times K_1 \times \dots \times K_P$

# Matricize: Converting a Tensor to a Matrix

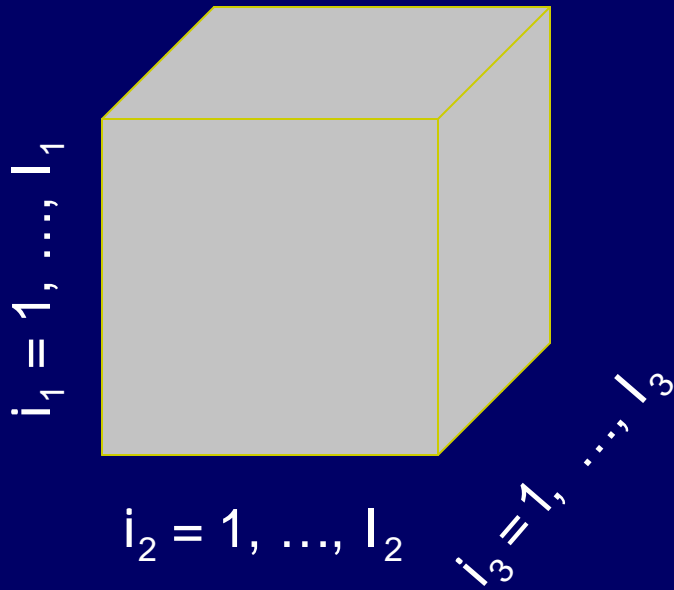


Key Point: Order of the columns doesn't matter so long as it is consistent.

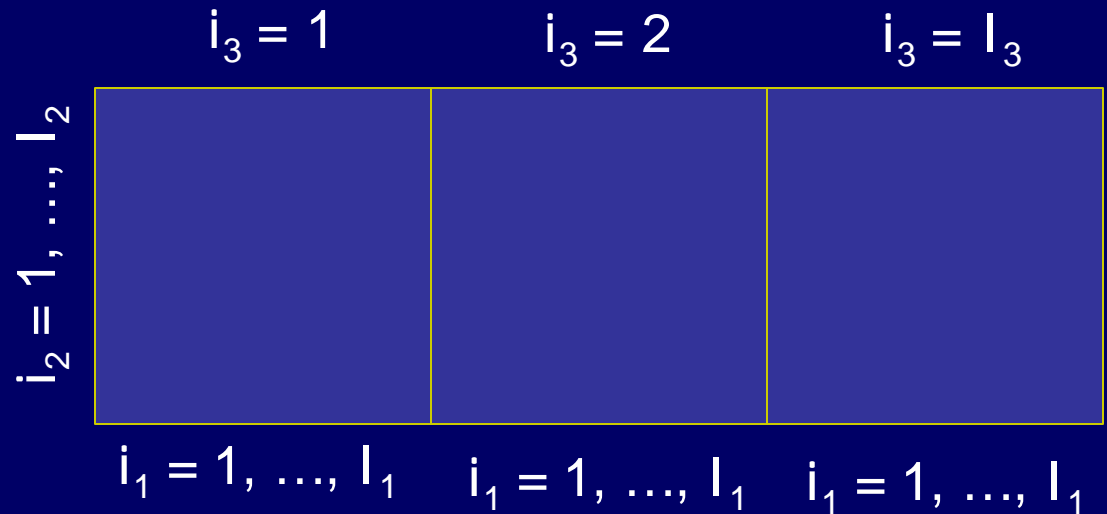
$$A_{(1)} =$$



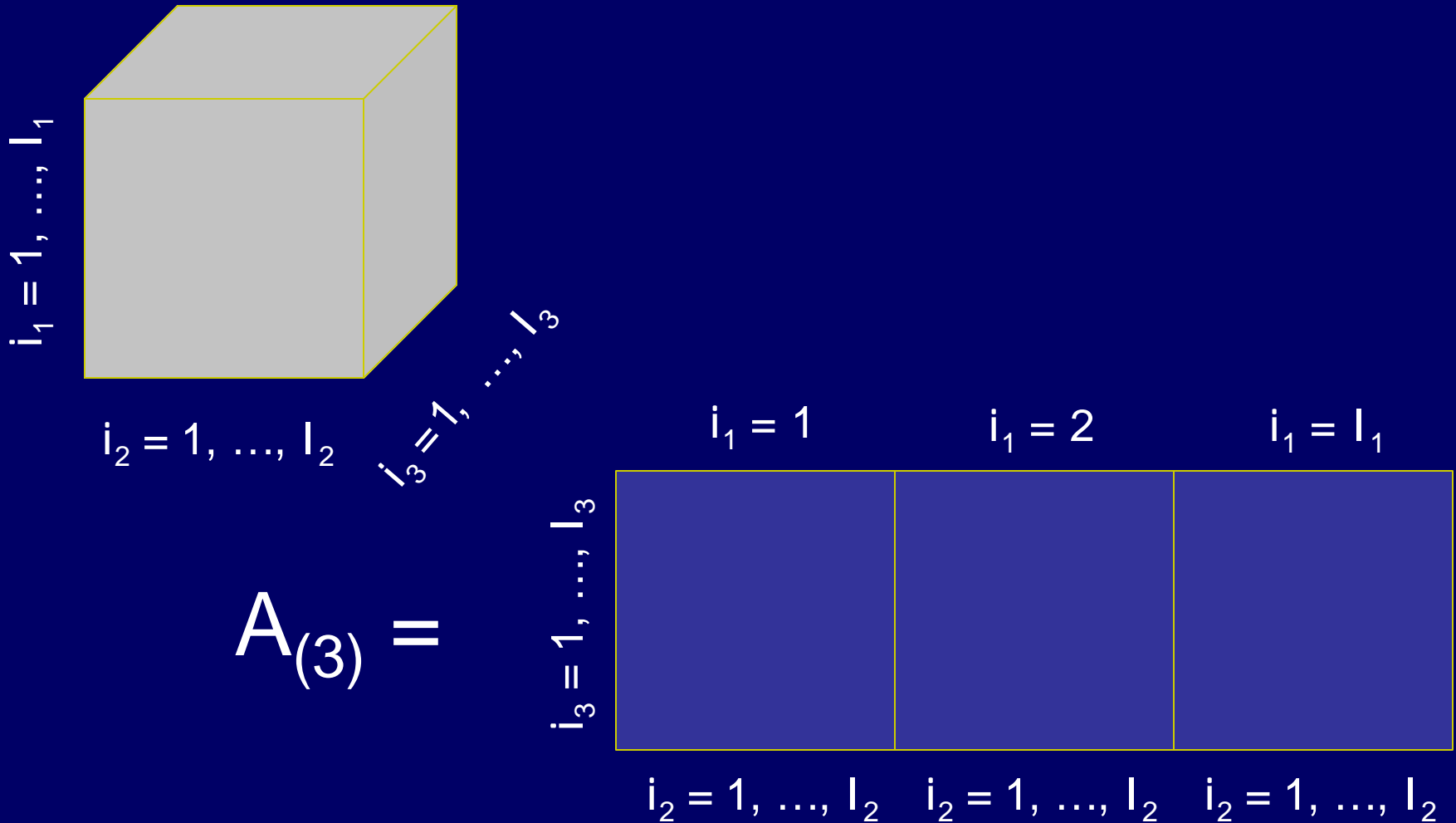
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$$A_{(2)} \equiv$$

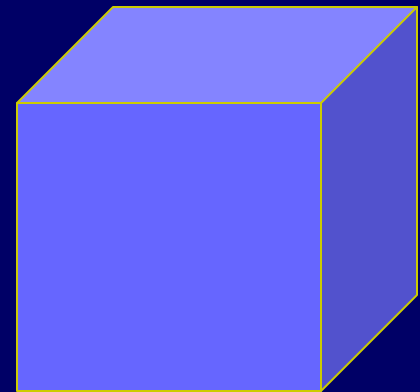
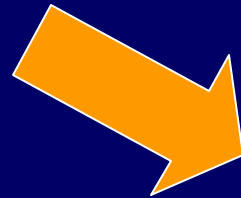
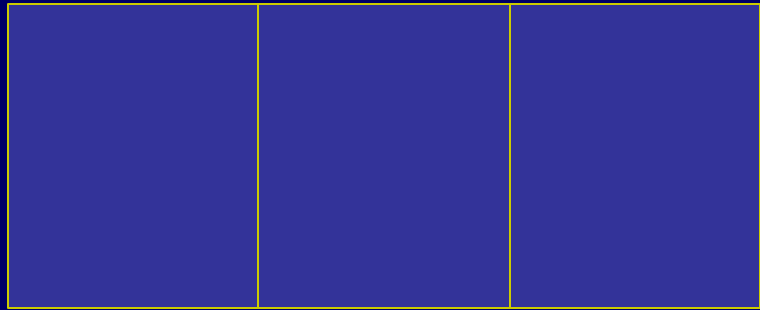


# Matricize: Converting a Tensor to a Matrix



# Inverse Matricize

- One may also take a matrix and convert it into a tensor



Need to know the size of the tensor as well as the mode (and type) of matricization

# Matricization & Mode- $n$ Multiplication

$$C = A \times_n B$$

$$C_{(n)} = BA_{(n)}$$



# Summary on Tensor Operations

Tensor times Matrix

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \times_n U$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \times \{U\}$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \times_{-n} \{U\}$$

Tensor times Vector

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A} \bar{\times}_n u$$

$$\beta = \mathcal{A} \bar{\times} \{u\}$$

$$b = \mathcal{A} \bar{\times}_{-n} \{u\}$$

Tensor times Tensor

$$\langle \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{A} \rangle$$

Matricization

$$\mathcal{A} \Rightarrow A_{(n)}$$

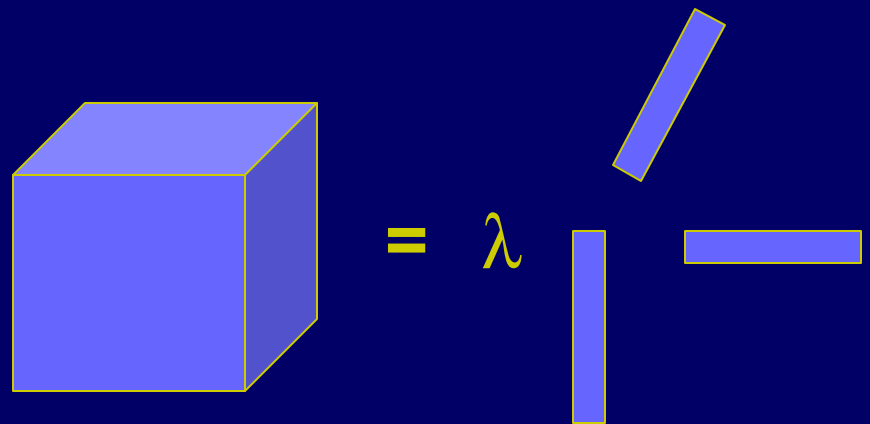


# Factored Tensors

# Rank-1 Tensor

$$\mathcal{A} = \lambda u^{(1)} \circ u^{(2)} \circ \dots \circ u^{(N)}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_N) = \lambda u_{i_1}^{(1)} u_{i_2}^{(2)} \dots u_{i_N}^{(N)}$$



# CP Model

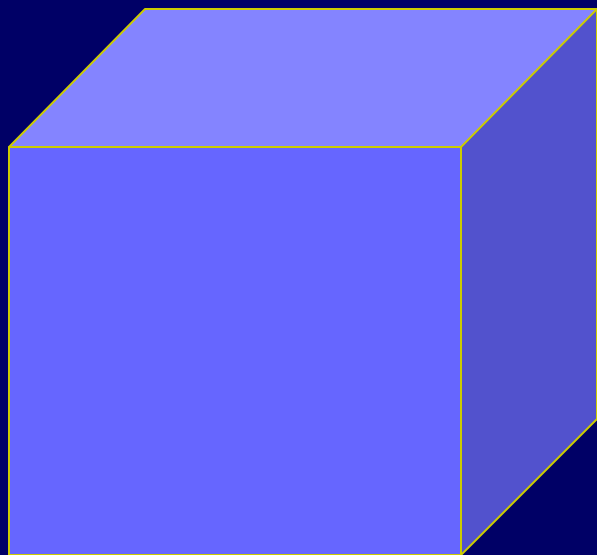
- “CP” is shorthand for CANDECAMP (Carrol and Chang, 1970) and PARAFAC (Harshman, 1970) – identical models that were developed independently

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k U_{:k}^{(1)} \circ U_{:k}^{(2)} \circ \dots \circ U_{:k}^{(N)}$$

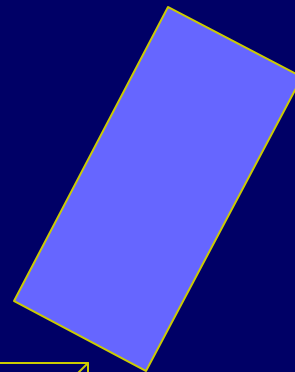
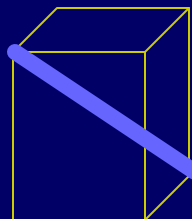
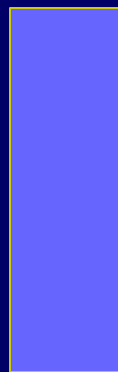
- $\lambda$  is a  $K$ -vector
- Each  $U^{(n)}$  is an  $I_n \times K$  matrix
- Tensor  $\mathcal{A}$  is size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$

# CP Model

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k U_{:k}^{(1)} \circ U_{:k}^{(2)} \circ \dots \circ U_{:k}^{(N)}$$



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# Tucker Model

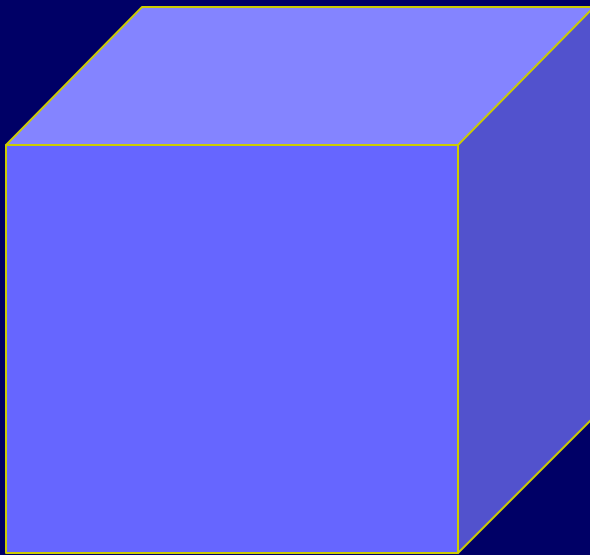
- Tucker, 1966

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_{k_1=1}^{K_1} \sum_{k_2=1}^{K_2} \cdots \sum_{k_N=1}^{K_N} \lambda(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N) U_{:k_1}^{(1)} \circ U_{:k_2}^{(2)} \circ \cdots \circ U_{:k_N}^{(N)}$$

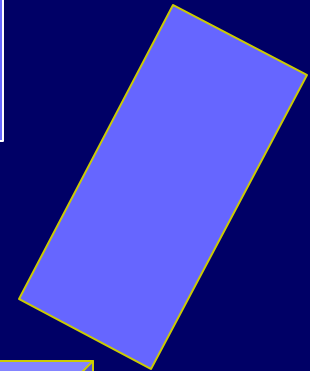
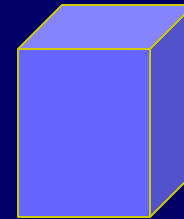
- $\lambda$  is a tensor of size  $K_1 \times K_2 \times \cdots \times K_N$ 
  - “Core Tensor” or “Core Array”
- Each  $U^{(n)}$  is an  $I_n \times K_n$  matrix
- Tensor  $\mathcal{A}$  is size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \cdots \times I_N$

# Tucker Model

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_{k_1=1}^{K_1} \sum_{k_2=1}^{K_2} \cdots \sum_{k_N=1}^{K_N} \lambda(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N) U_{:k_1}^{(1)} \circ U_{:k_2}^{(2)} \circ \cdots \circ U_{:k_N}^{(N)}$$



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# Higher Order Power Method

De Lathauwer, De Moor, Vandewalle

- Compute a rank-1 approximation to a given tensor
- **In:**  $A$  of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$
- **Out:**  $B = \lambda u^{(1)} \otimes u^{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes u^{(N)}$  is a rank-one tensor of size  $I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N$  that estimates  $A$



# HO Power Method

For  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  (until converged), do:

For  $n = 1, \dots, N$ , do:

$$\tilde{u}_{k+1}^{(n)} = \mathcal{A} \bar{x}_{-n} \{u_k\}.$$

$$\lambda_{k+1}^{(n)} = \left\| \tilde{u}_{k+1}^{(n)} \right\|$$

$$u_{k+1}^{(n)} = \tilde{u}_{k+1}^{(n)} / \lambda_{k+1}^{(n)}$$

Let  $\lambda = \lambda_K$  and  $\{u\} = \{u_K\}$  where  $K$  is the index of the final result of the iterations.

# MATLAB Classes Examples

Note: MATLAB class does not  
replace Bro's N-Way Toolbox