

Spatial Processing

Computational Photography (CSCI 3240U)

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Story thus far

- Digital cameras
 - Imaging pipeline
- Image formation
 - Pinholes, lenses, aperture, etc.
- Pixel-wise operations
 - Histogram equalization

Image Enhancement

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- Types of techniques
 - Point processing



E.g., Human perception

on point processes



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 - Spatial processing (**pixel neighbourhoods**)
 - Frequency domain processing

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 - **Spatial processing (pixel neighbourhoods)** ← **Today's Focus**
 - Frequency domain processing

Spatial Processing

- Input image: $f(x, y)$
- Output image: $g(x, y)$
- T is an operator on f or a set of f
 - T is defined over some neighbourhood N of (x, y)
 - T can operate over a set of images

Spatial Filtering

- Two main types
 - Linear filtering
 - Non-linear filtering
- Linear filters
 - Remove, isolate, modify frequencies in the image
 - Foundation based upon the [convolution theorem](#)
- Non-linear filters
 - Based upon image statistics

An Example of Spatial Filtering



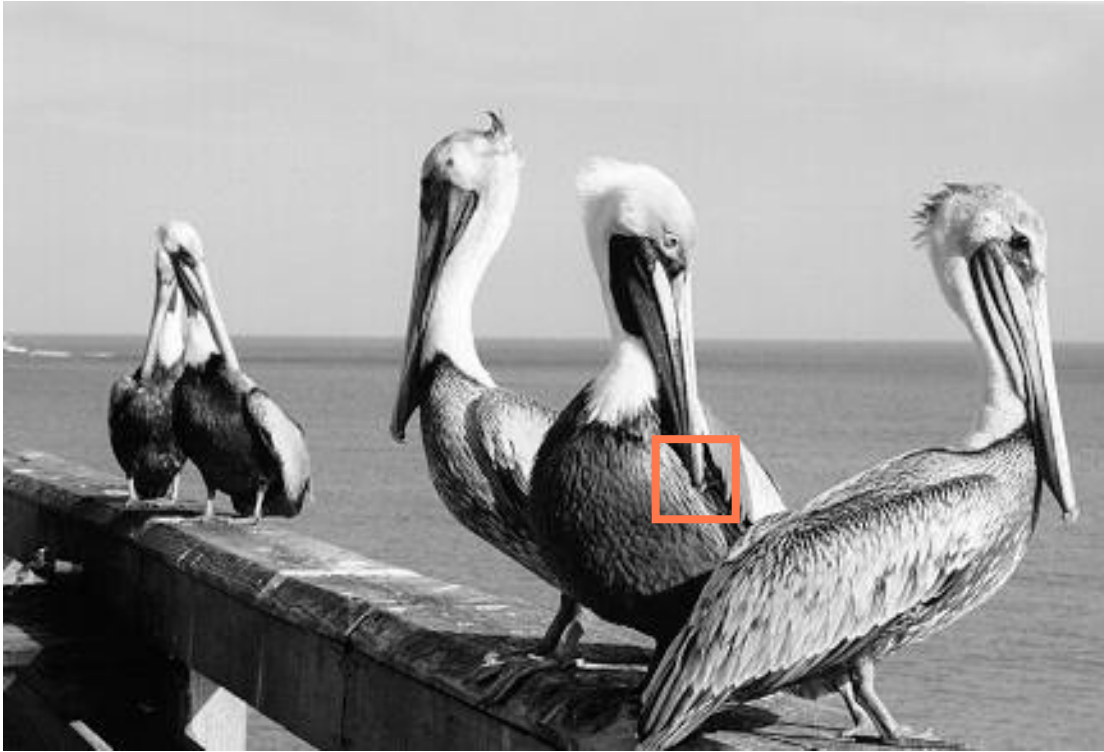
$f(x, y)$



$g(x, y)$

5 x 5 neighbourhood

An Example of Spatial Filtering



$f(x, y)$



$g(x, y)$

5 x 5 neighbourhood

Linear Filtering in 1D

Signal

$$f = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 9 & 1 & 3 & 5 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Filter

$$h = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 0 & -1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Linear Filtering in 1D

1	2	4	1	0	9	1	3	5	2
1	0	-1							

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Dot-product

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1	2	4	1	0	9	1	3	5	2
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	-3	?							
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Linear Filtering in 1D

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	-3	1							
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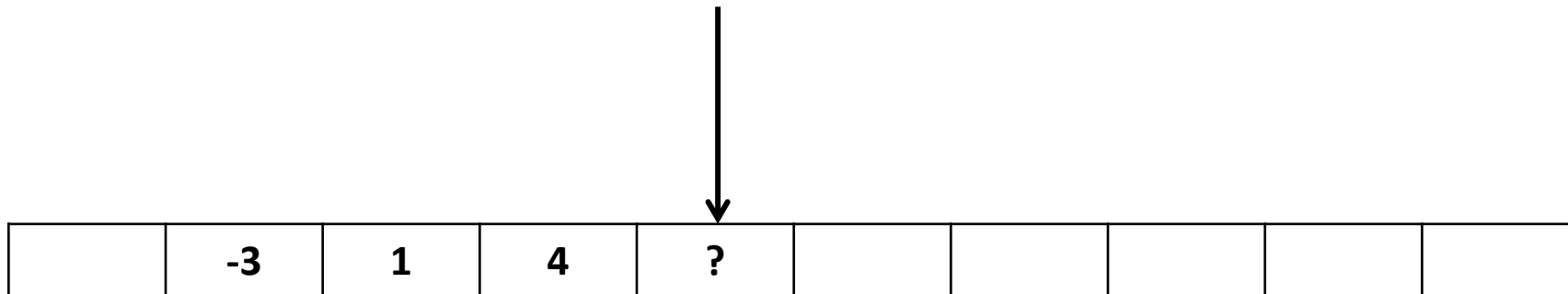


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Linear Filtering in 1D

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	-3	1	4	-8					
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Linear Filtering in 1D

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	-3	1	4	-8	-1				
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Linear Filtering in 1D

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	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6			
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Linear Filtering in 1D

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	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	-4		
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Linear Filtering in 1D

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Result

	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	-4	?	
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Linear Filtering in 1D

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half-width = 1

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Filter width} &= 2 \times (\text{half width}) + 1 \\ &= 3\end{aligned}$$

Result

	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	-4	1	
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Cross-correlation: $CC(i)$

$$f = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 10 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$h = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 0 & -1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$CC(i) = \sum_{k \in [-w, w]} \mathbf{f}(i+k)\mathbf{h}(k)$$

Half-width w

Convolution $f * h$

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$$(\mathbf{f} * \mathbf{h})_i = \sum_{k \in [-w, w]} \mathbf{f}(i - k) \mathbf{h}(k)$$

Convolution $f * h$

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$$(\mathbf{f} * \mathbf{k})_i = \sum_{k \in [-w, w]} \mathbf{f}(i - k) \mathbf{h}(k)$$

Filter is flipped

Linear Filtering in 1D

Signal

1	3	5	0	1	1
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Kernel/Filter

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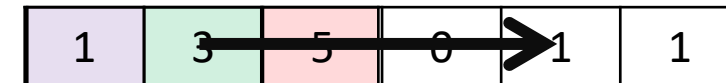
Cross-correlation

$$CC(i) = \sum_{k \in [-w, w]} \mathbf{f}(i + k) \mathbf{h}(k)$$



Convolution

$$(\mathbf{f} * \mathbf{k})_i = \sum_{k \in [-w, w]} \mathbf{f}(i - k) \mathbf{h}(k)$$



Filter half-width

$$f = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 10 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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What is the half-width of this filter h ?

Filter half-width

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$$h = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline & & & & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Filter width = $2 \times (\text{half width}) + 1$

$$7 = 2 \times (3) + 1$$

What is the half-width of this filter h ? (Answer is 3)

Sometimes it is called a 7-tap filter

Linear Filtering in 1 d

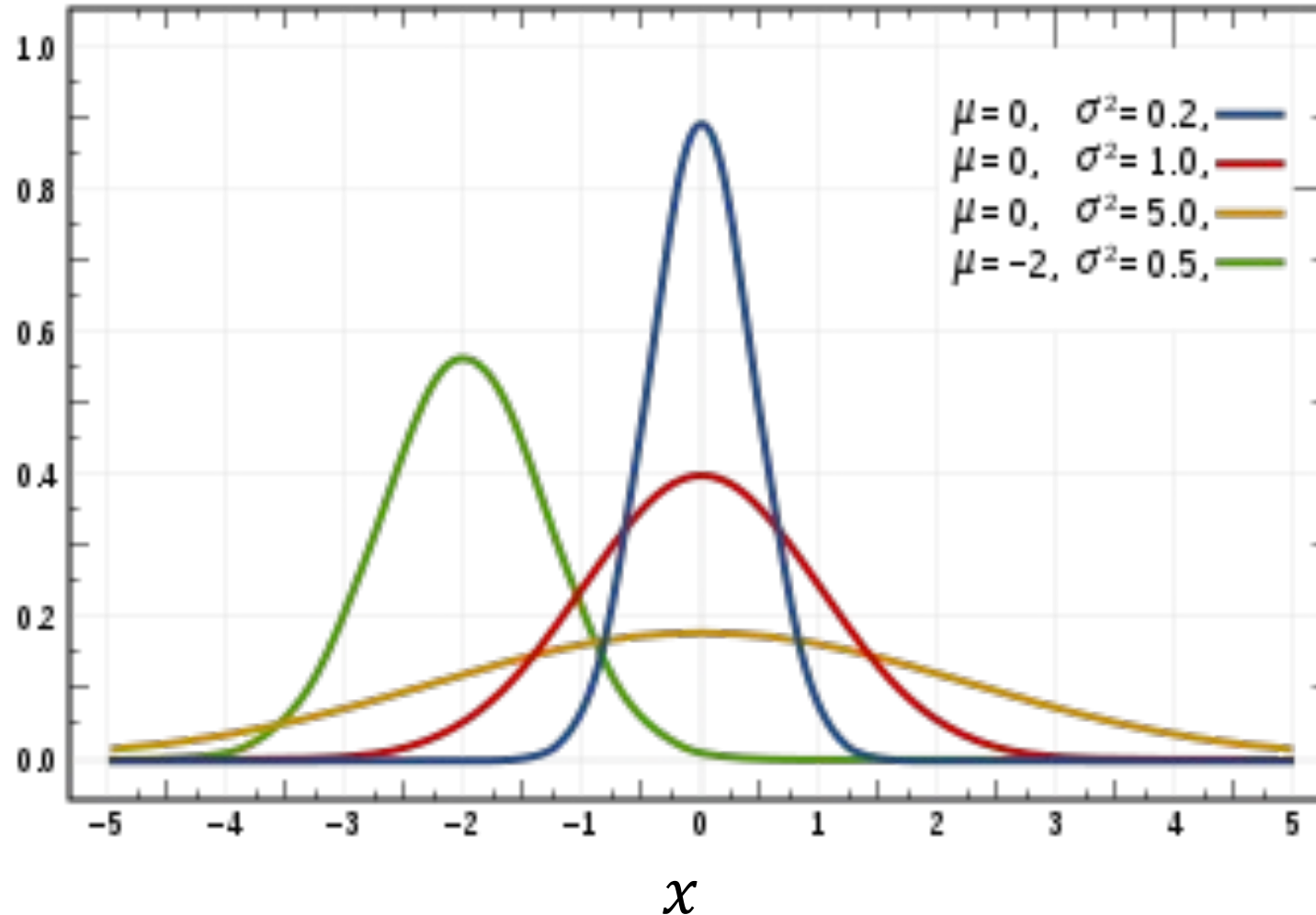
- Signal: f
- Kernel (sometimes called mask or filter): h
- Half-width of kernel: w

Cross-correlation $CC(i) = \sum_{k \in [-w, w]} \mathbf{f}(i + k)\mathbf{h}(k)$

Convolution $(\mathbf{f} * \mathbf{h})_i = \sum_{k \in [-w, w]} \mathbf{f}(i - k)\mathbf{h}(k)$

Gaussian in 1D

$$G(x; \mu, \sigma^2)$$



From Wikipedia

Gaussian in 1D

$$G(x; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the 1D Gaussian function:

- The term $\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}$ is labeled as **standard deviation**.
- The term $(x-\mu)^2$ is labeled as **mean**.
- The term $2\sigma^2$ is labeled as **variance**.

Mean (μ) and variance (σ^2)

Given data points $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N\}$

Mean

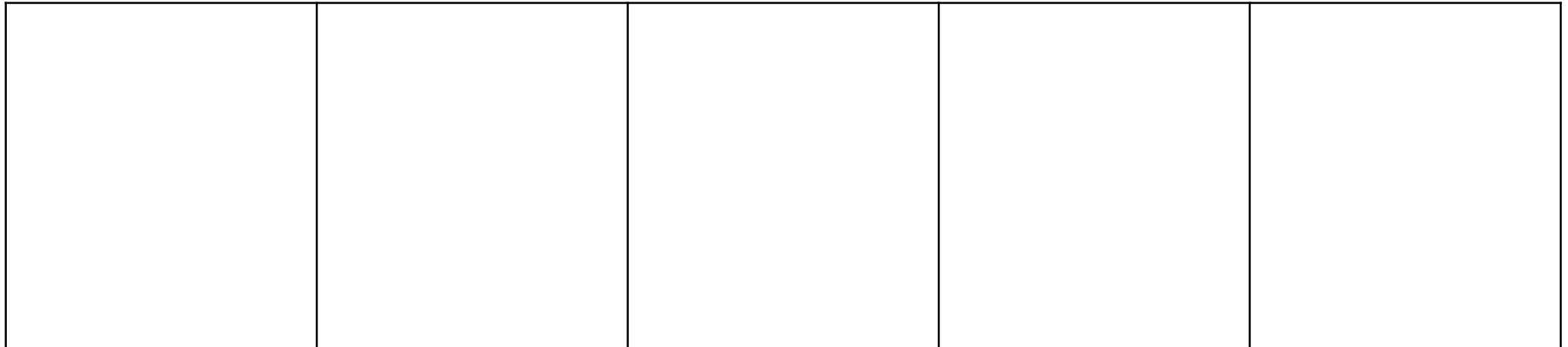
$$\mu = E[\mathbf{x}] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

Variance

$$\sigma^2 = E[(\mathbf{x} - \mu)^2] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^2$$

Setup a 5-tap Gaussian filter

$$G(x; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$



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What information is missing?

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What information is missing?

$$\sigma = 2$$

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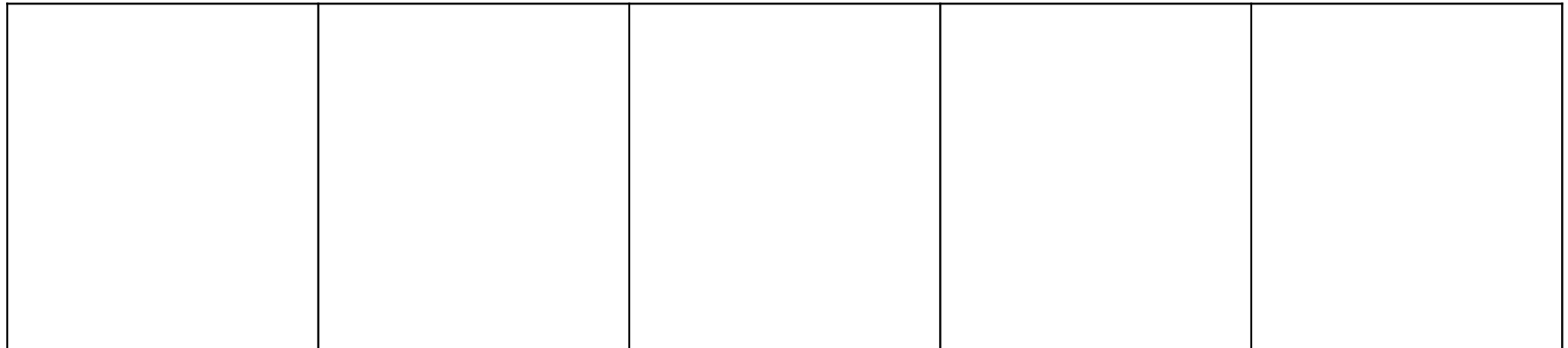
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$$\sigma = 2$$

$$\mu = 0$$



$$x = -2$$

$$x = -1$$

$$x = 0$$

$$x = 1$$

$$x = 2$$

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$\frac{(-2 - 0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$	$\frac{(-1 - 0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$	$\frac{(0 - 0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$	$\frac{(1 - 0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$	$\frac{(2 - 0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$
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$-\frac{(-2-0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$ $= -\frac{4}{8}$	$-\frac{(-1-0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$ $= -\frac{1}{8}$	$-\frac{(0-0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$ $= -\frac{0}{8}$	$-\frac{(1-0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$ $= -\frac{1}{8}$	$-\frac{(2-0)^2}{(2)(2)^2}$ $= -\frac{4}{8}$
$x = -2$	$x = -1$	$x = 0$	$x = 1$	$x = 2$

Setup a 5-tap Gaussian filter

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What information is missing?

$$\sigma = 2$$

$$\mu = 0$$

$\exp(-0.5)$	$\exp(-0.125)$	$\exp(0)$	$\exp(-0.125)$	$\exp(-0.5)$
$x = -2$	$x = -1$	$x = 0$	$x = 1$	$x = 2$

Setup a 5-tap Gaussian filter

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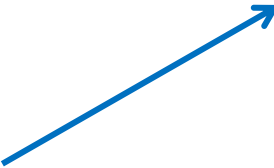
What information is missing?

$$\sigma = 2$$

$$\mu = 0$$

$\exp(-0.5)$ ≈ 0.607	$\exp(-0.125)$ ≈ 0.882	$\exp(0)$ $= 1$	$\exp(-0.125)$ ≈ 0.882	$\exp(-0.5)$ ≈ 0.607
$x = -2$	$x = -1$	$x = 0$	$x = 1$	$x = 2$

Setup a 5-tap Gaussian filter

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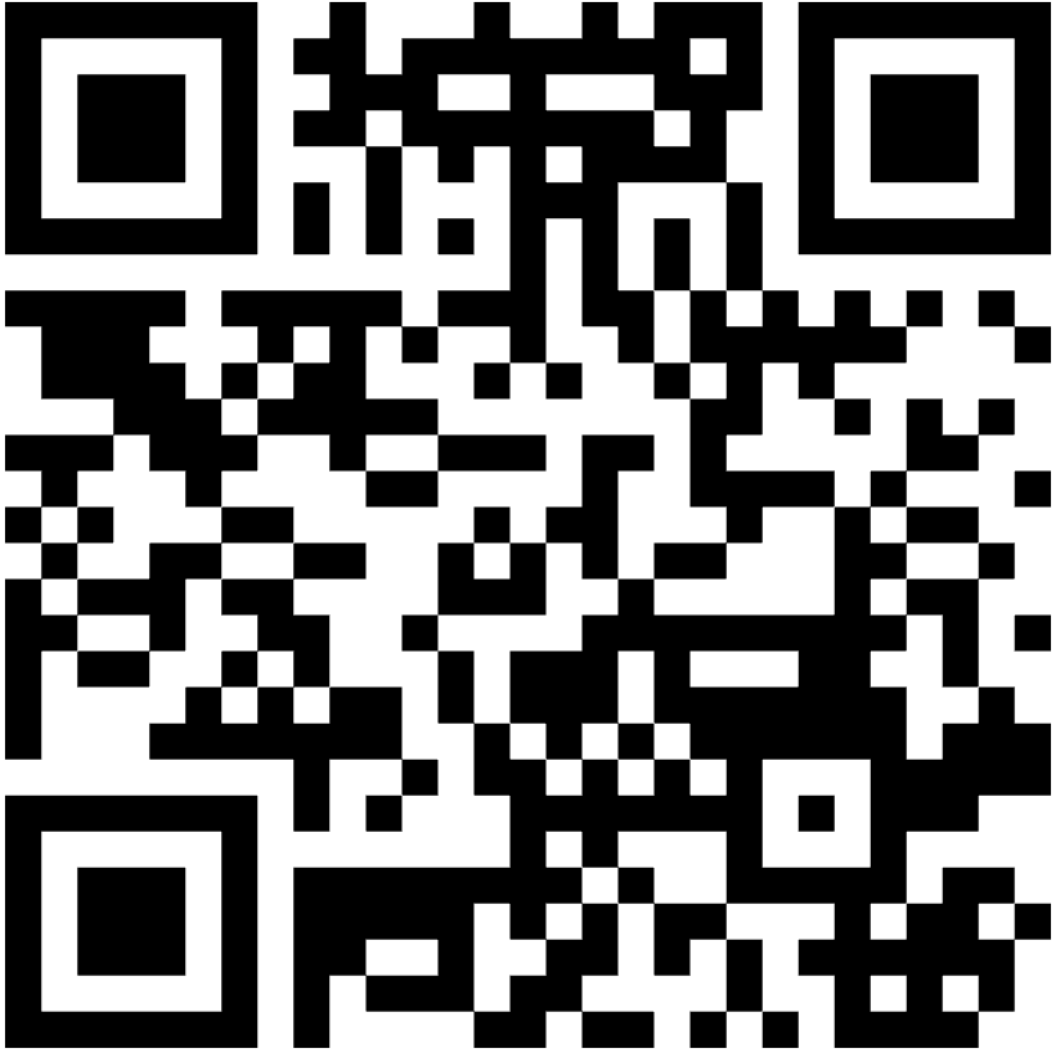
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$x = -2$	$x = -1$	$x = 0$	$x = 1$	$x = 2$

Fit a Gaussian to the following data

1	2	-1	0	4	5	3	6	1	2
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on linear filtering



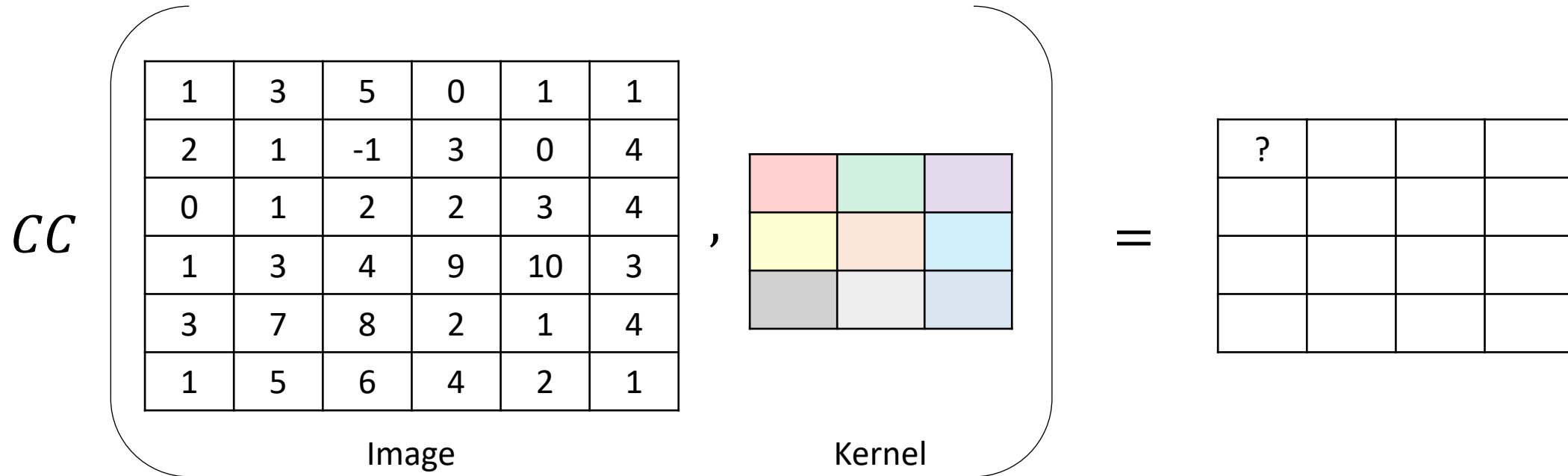
Linear Filtering in 2D

1	3	5	0	1	1
2	1	-1	3	0	4
0	1	2	2	3	4
1	3	4	9	10	3
3	7	8	2	1	4
1	5	6	4	2	1

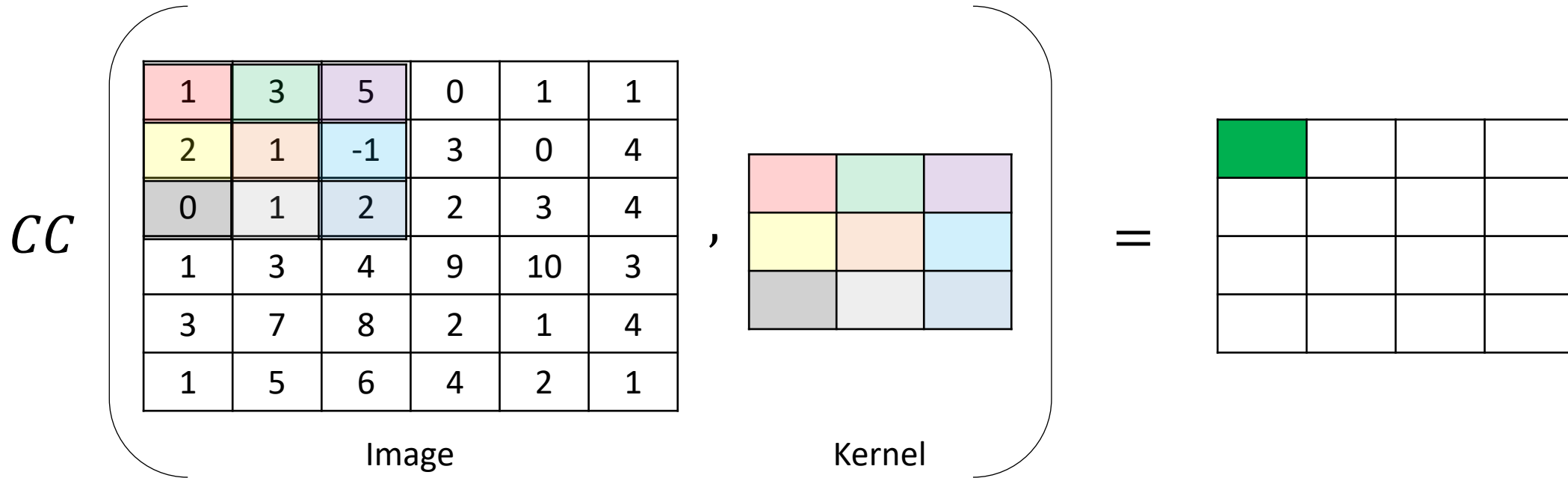
Image

Kernel

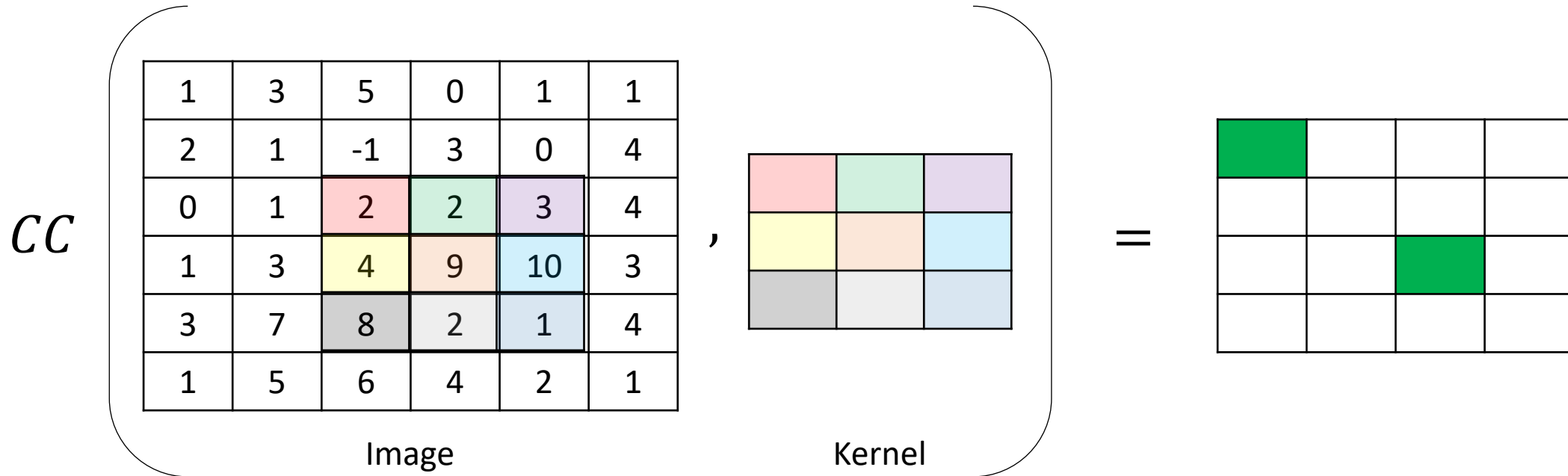
Linear Filtering in 2D



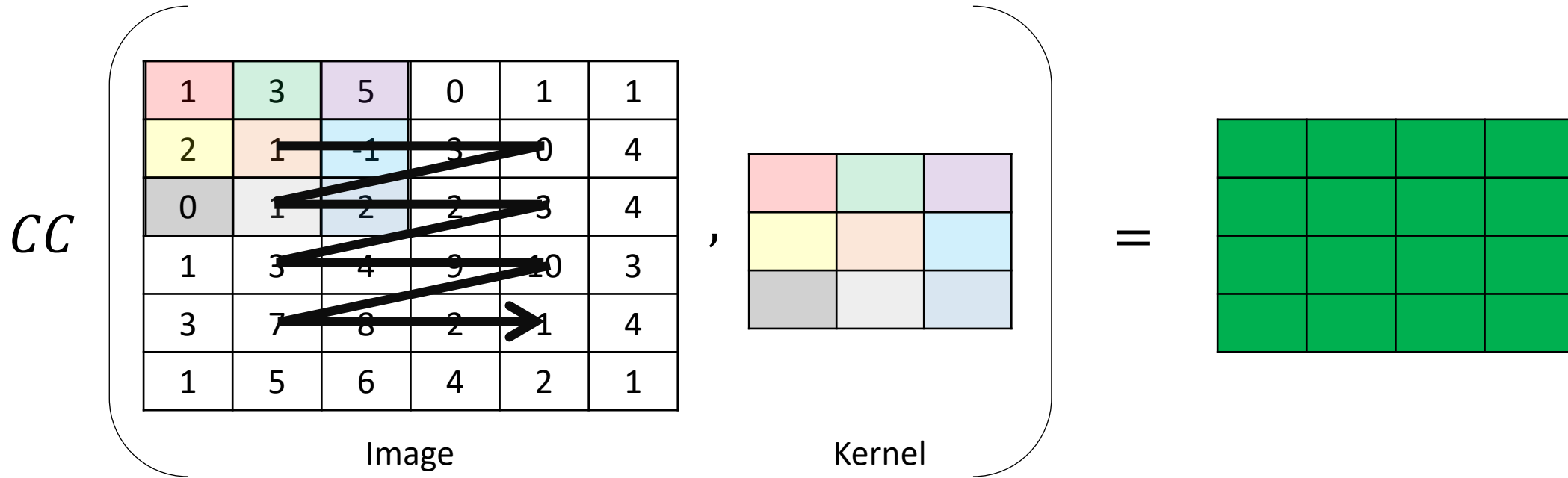
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Linear Filtering in 2D

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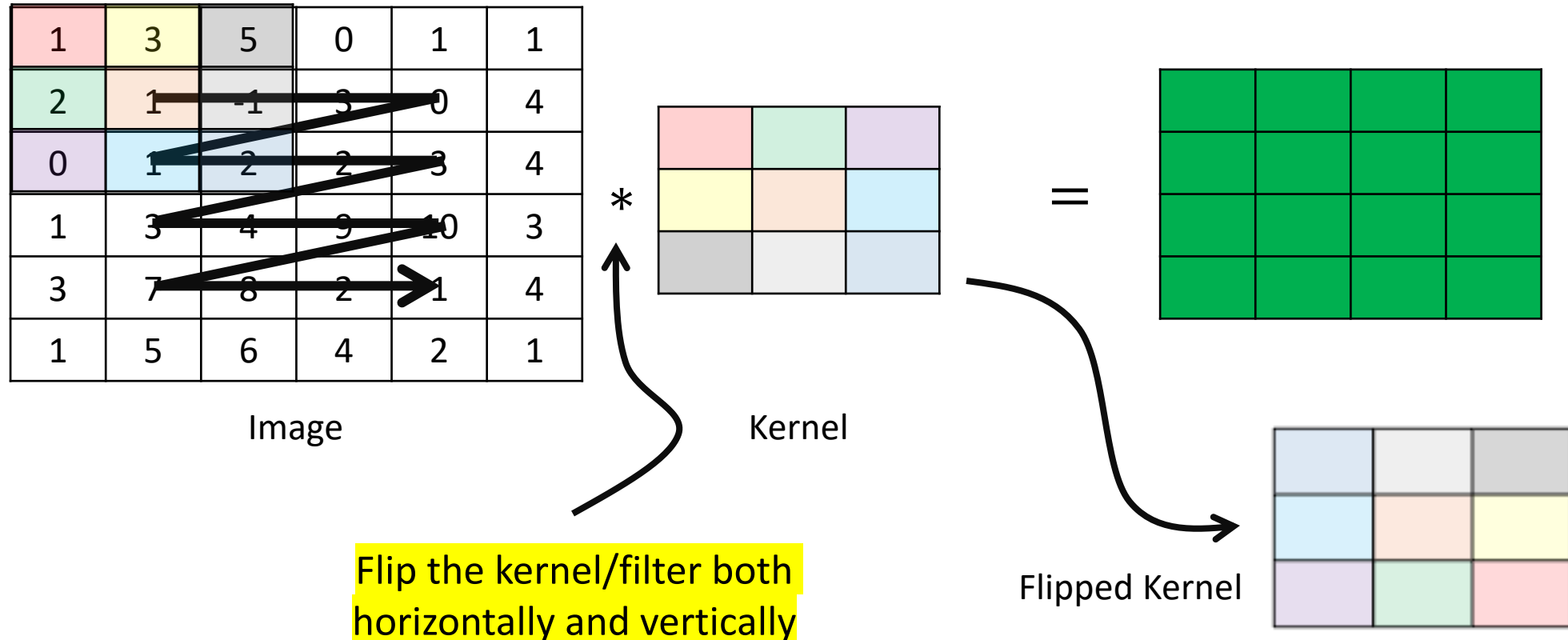
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Linear Filtering in 2D



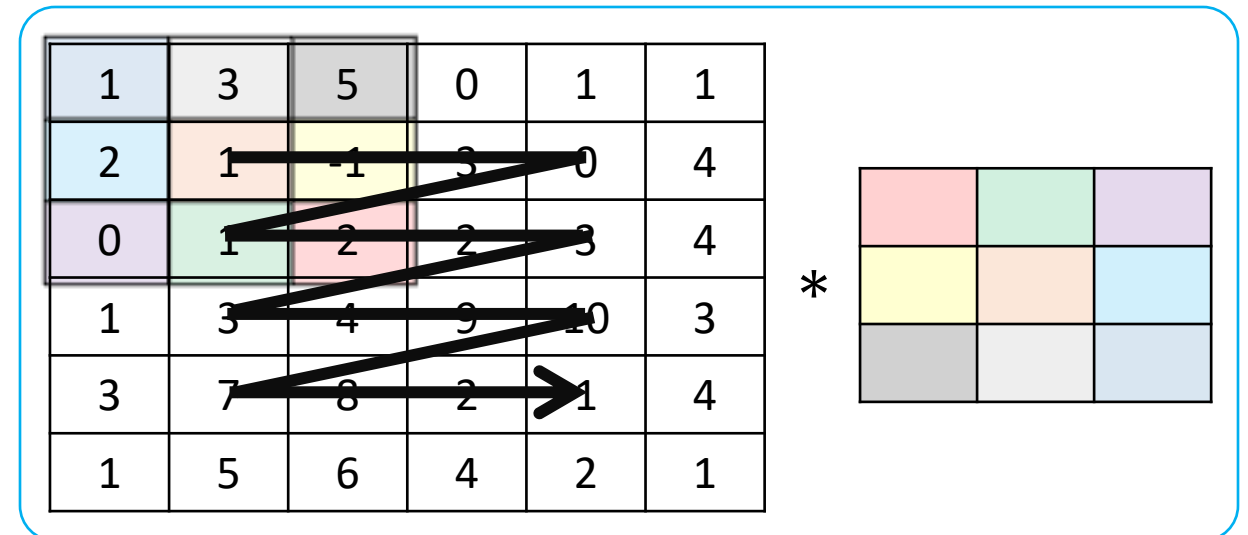
Linear Filtering in 2D

Cross-correlation

$$CC(i, j) = \sum_{\substack{k \in [-w, w] \\ l \in [-h, h]}} \mathbf{f}(i + k, j + l) \mathbf{h}(k, l)$$

Convolution

$$(\mathbf{f} * \mathbf{k})_{i,j} == \sum_{\substack{k \in [-w, w] \\ l \in [-h, h]}} \mathbf{f}(i - k, j - l) \mathbf{h}(k, l)$$



Number of multiplications and additions

1	3	5	0	1	1
2	1	-1	3	0	4
0	1	2	2	3	4
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1	5	6	4	2	1

Image

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Kernel

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Image

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Kernel

#locations = $(4)(4)$

#multiplications at each location = 9

#additions at each location = 8

#total = $(9)(4)(4)$ multiplications
 $(8)(4)(4)$ additions

Multivariate Gaussian (in k-dimensions)

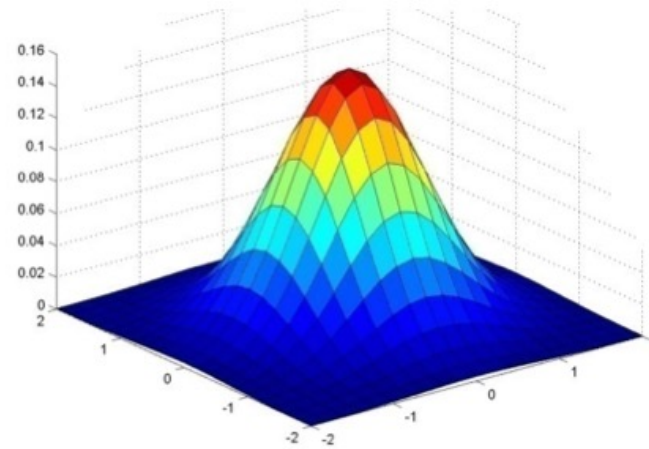
$$G(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right)$$

where

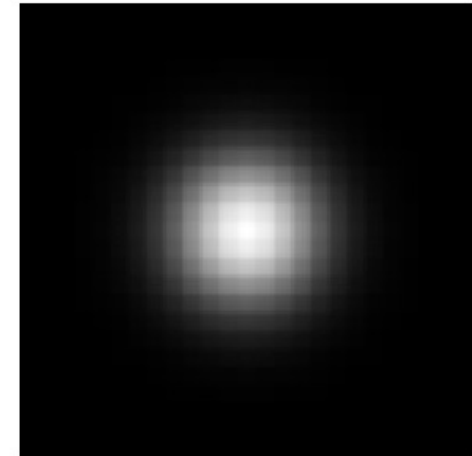
$$\mathbf{x} \in R^k$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} \in R^k$$

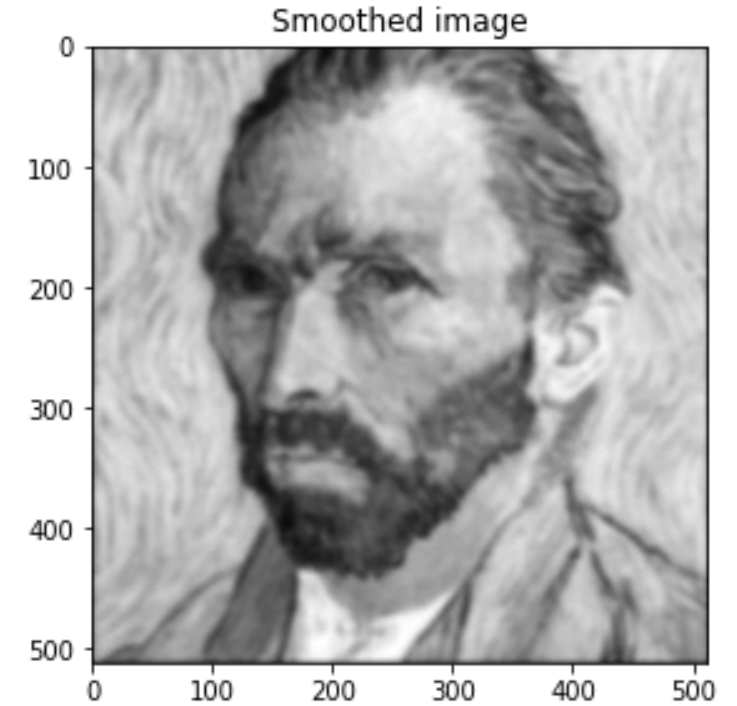
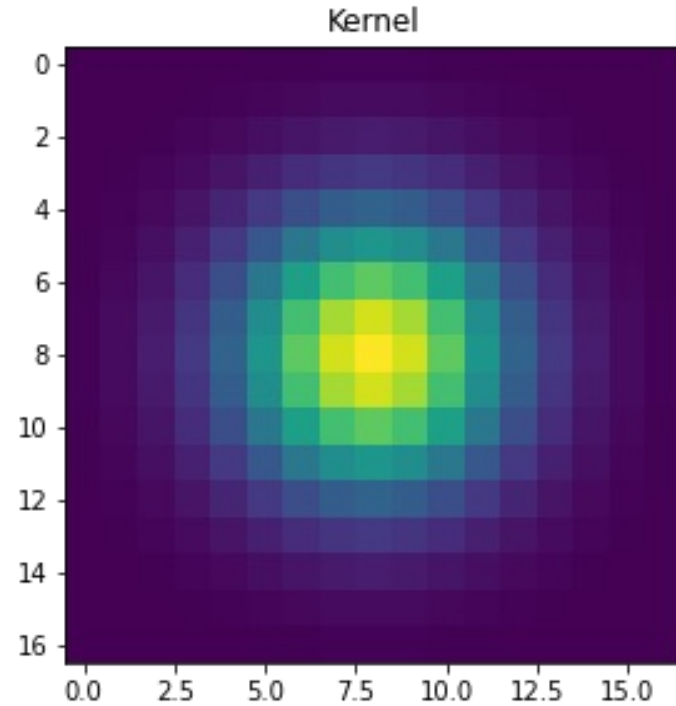
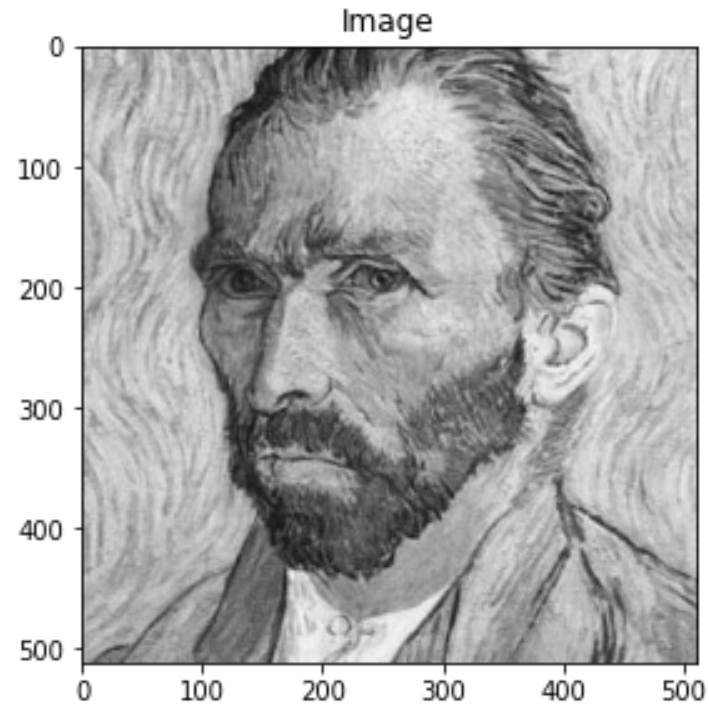
$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \in R^{k \times k}$$



Gaussian in 2D



Gaussian Blurring

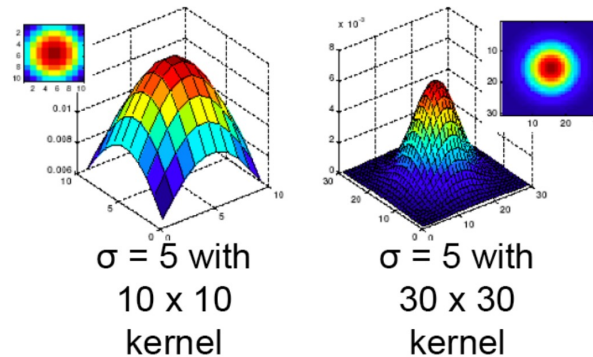


Gaussian Blurring

- We often use the following approximation of a Gaussian function

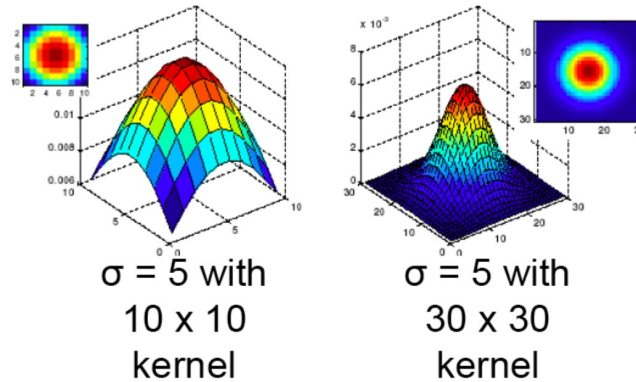
$$\frac{1}{16} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Gaussian functions have infinite support, but discrete Gaussian kernels are finite



Gaussian Blurring

- Variance controls how broad or peaky the filter is



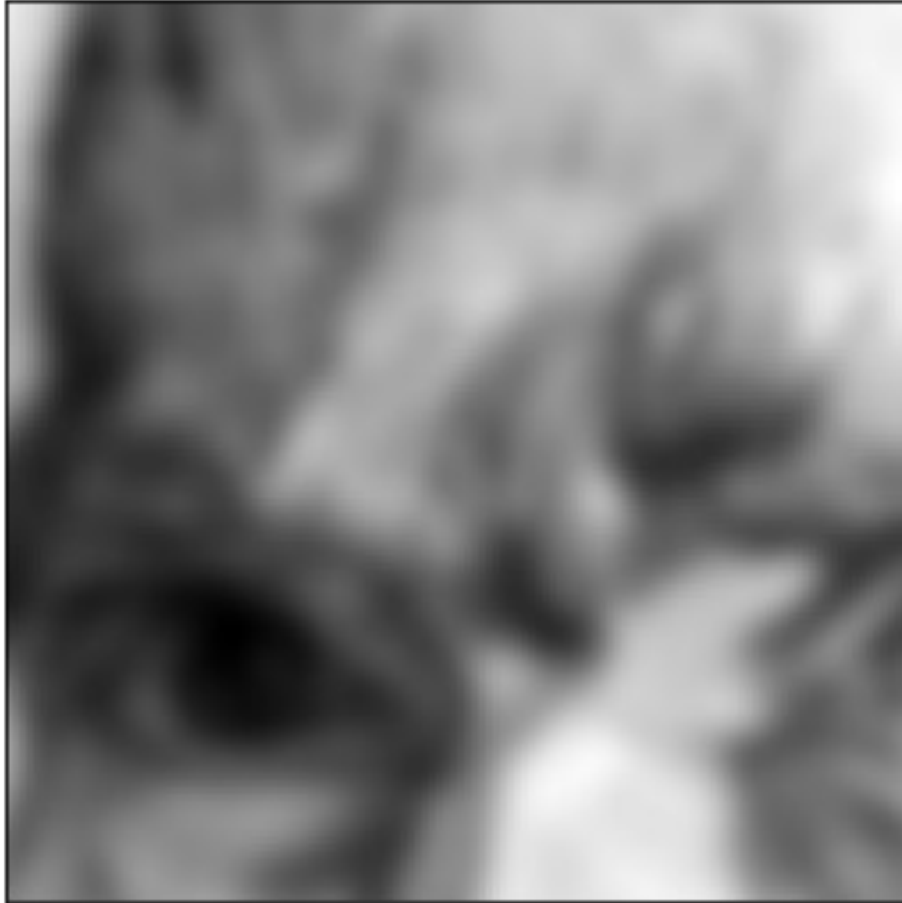
- Removes high-frequency components from the image
 - Blurs the image
 - Acts as a low-pass filter

Gaussian Blurring

- Convoluting twice with Gaussian kernel of width σ^2 is the same as convoluting once with kernel of width $\sigma\sqrt{2}$
- Applying a Gaussian filter with variance σ_1^2 , followed by applying a Gaussian filter with variance σ_2^2 is the same as applying once with Gaussian filter with variance $\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$
- All values are positive
- Values sum to 1?
 - Why is this relevant?
- This size of the filter, plus its variance, determines the extent of smoothing

Gaussian Blurring vs. Average (Box) Filtering

Gaussian Kernel

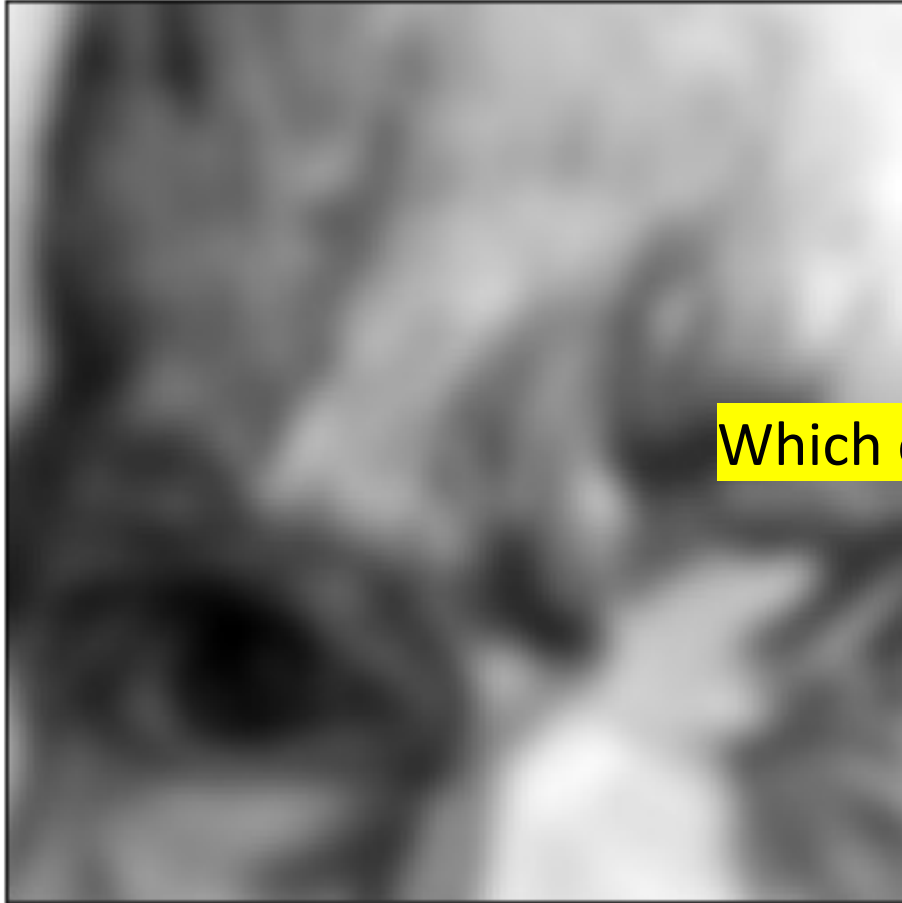


Averaging (Box) Kernel



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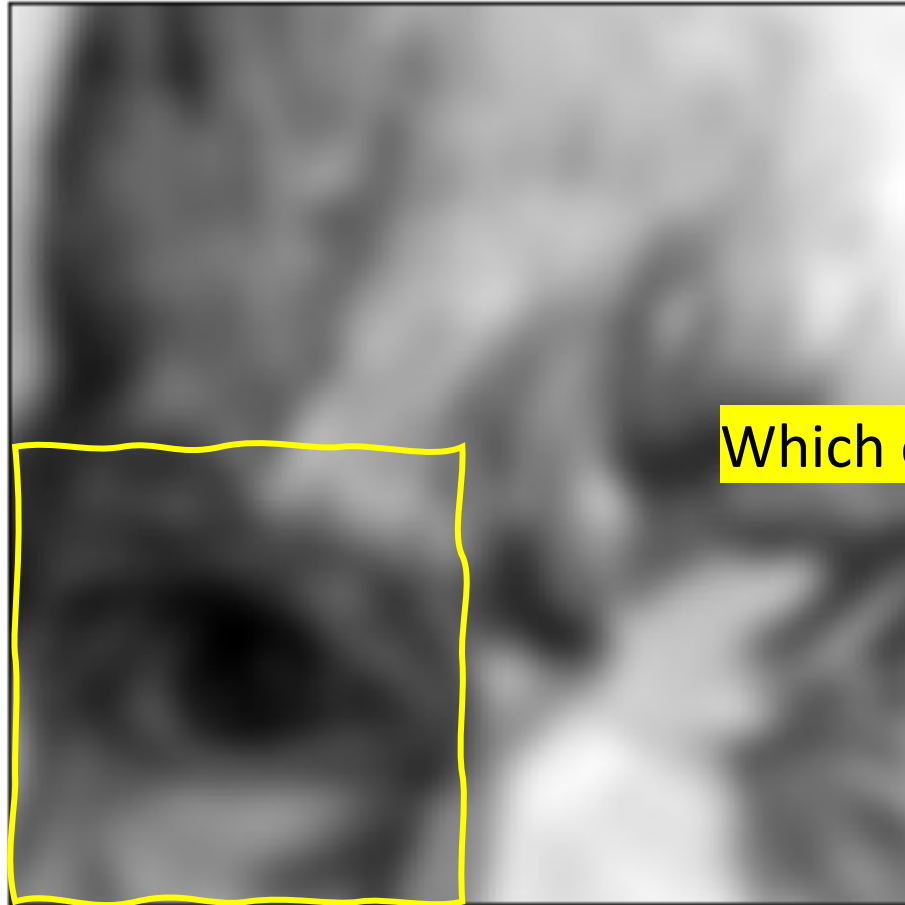
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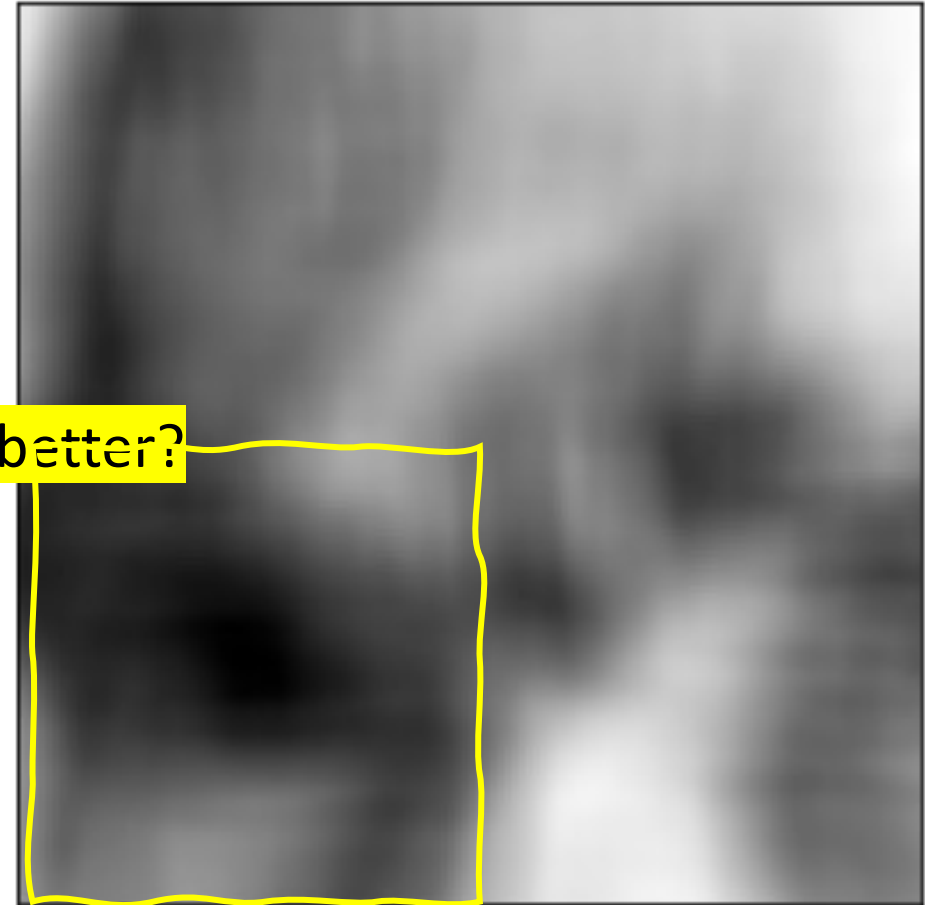
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Exercise

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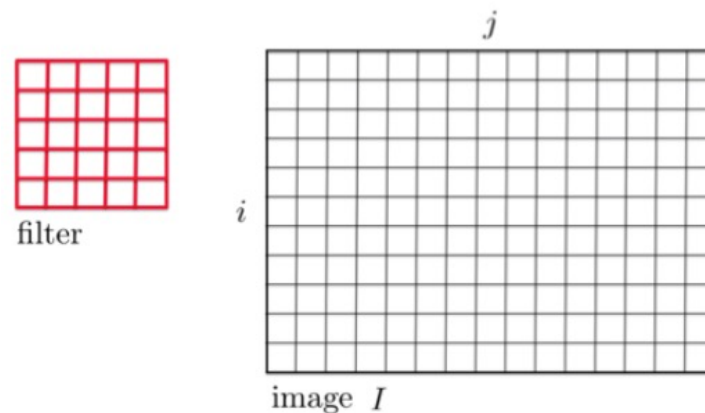
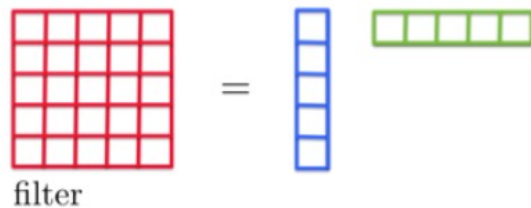
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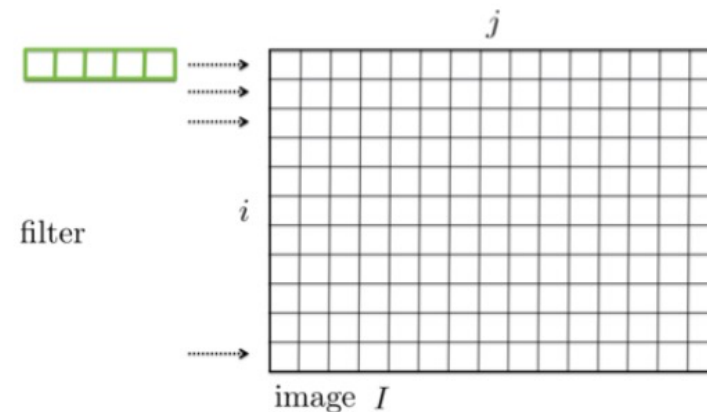
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- [Step 1] Perform row-wise convolution with horizontal filter
- [Step 2] Perform column-wise convolution with the results obtained in step 1 with vertical filter

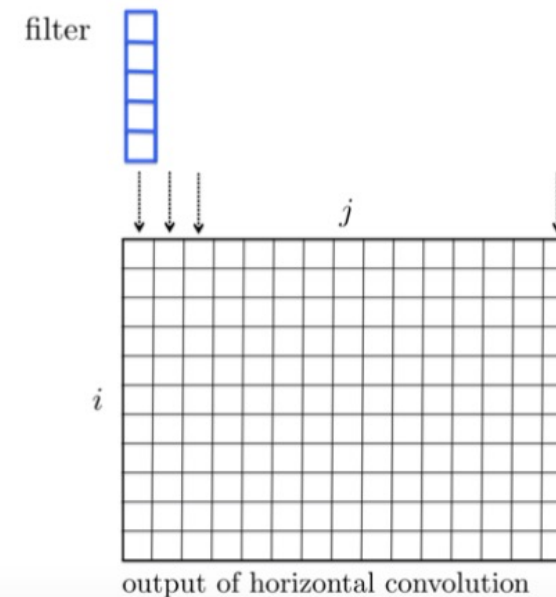
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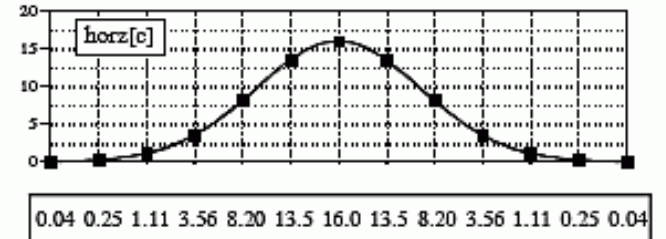
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Where possible exploit separability to speed up convolutions

Gaussian filter is separable

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{\sigma}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\
 &= g_{\sigma}(x) \cdot g_{\sigma}(y)
 \end{aligned}$$

FIGURE 24-7
Separation of the Gaussian. The Gaussian is the only PSF that is circularly symmetric *and* separable. This makes it a common filter kernel in image processing.



0.04	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
0.25	0	0	0	1	2	3	4	3	2	1	0	0	0
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Factor a matrix M as follows: $M = U\Sigma V^T = \sum_i \sigma_{ii} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T$

$$U = [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{u}_m] \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \end{bmatrix} \quad V^T = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M \in R^{m \times n}$$

$$U \in R^{m \times m}$$

$\Sigma \in R^{m \times n}$ is a rectangular diagonal matrix. σ_{ii} contains the singular values

$$V^T \in R^{n \times n}$$

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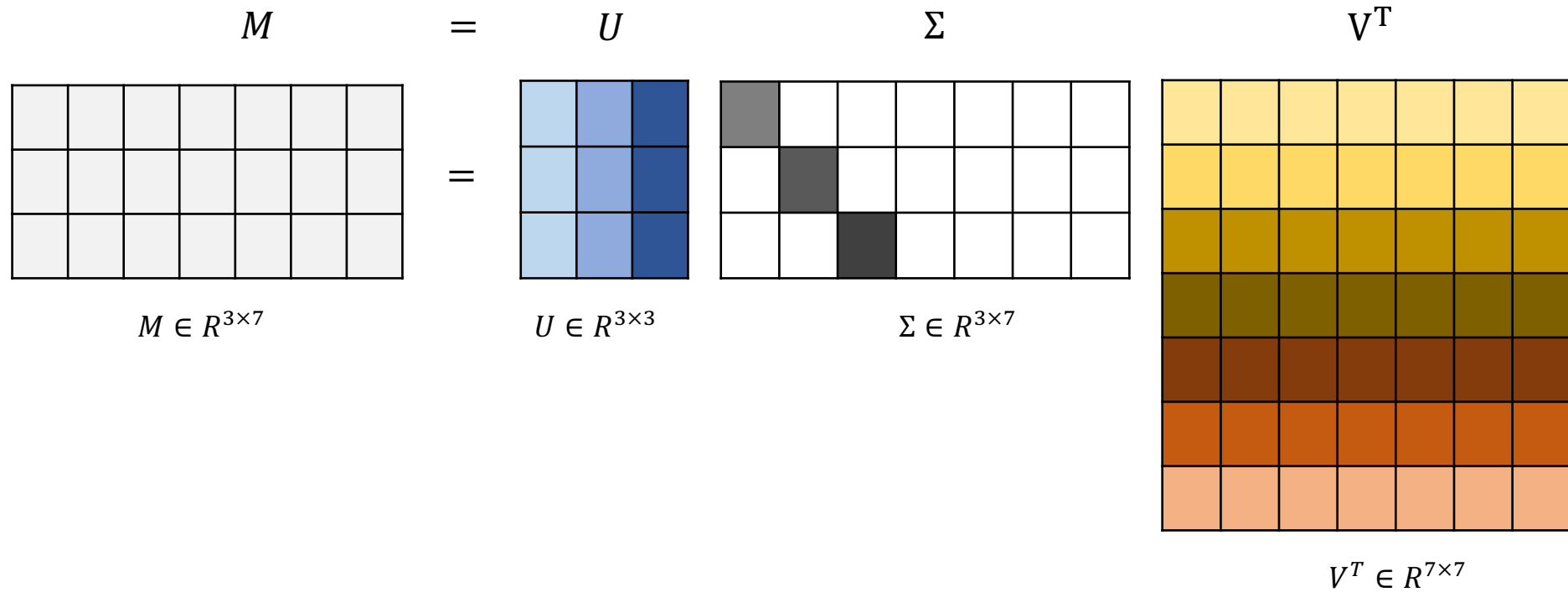
Matrix M is square

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

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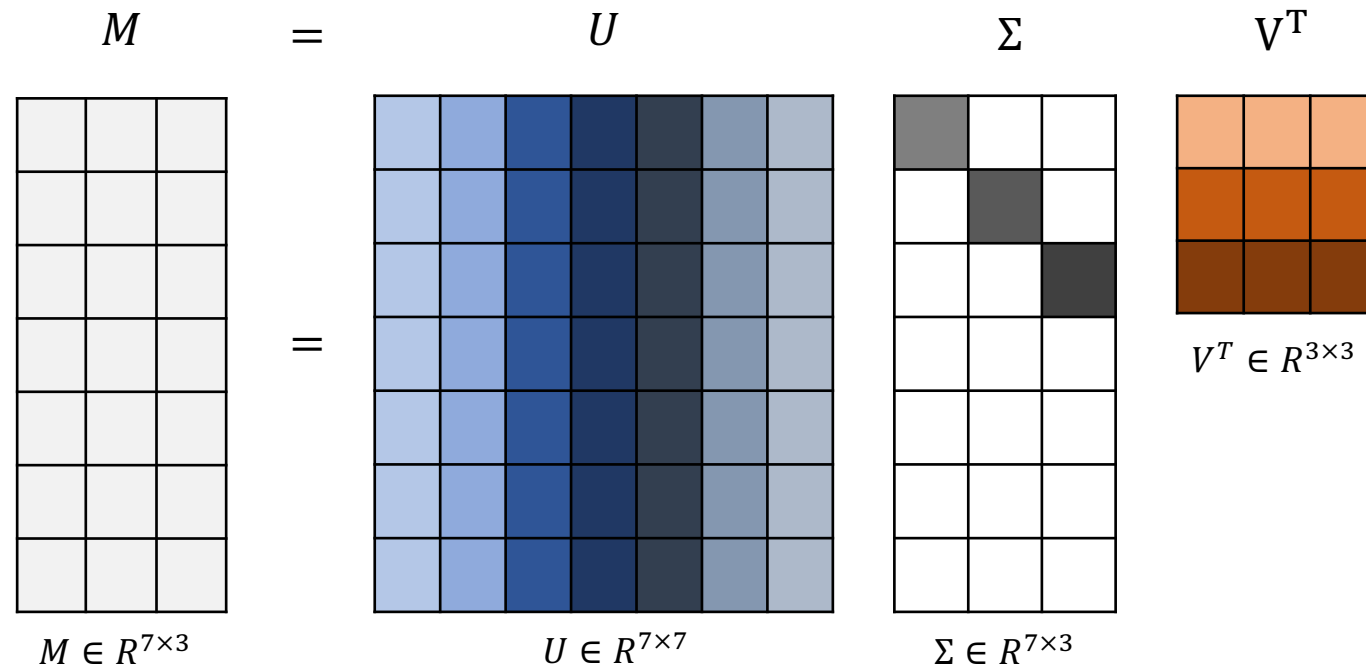
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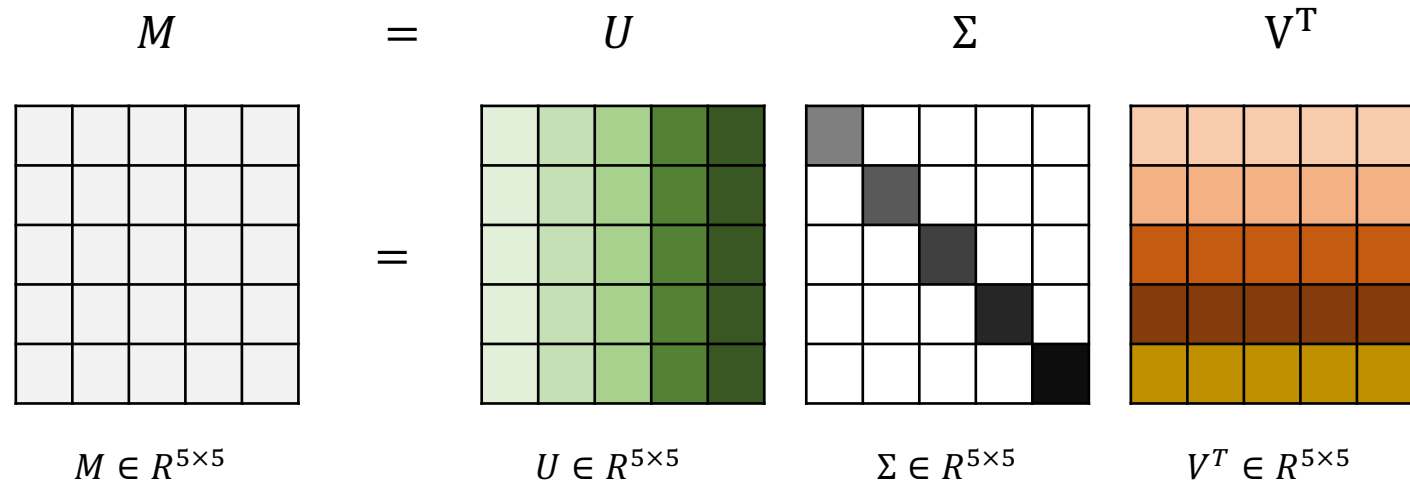
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Matrix M is tall



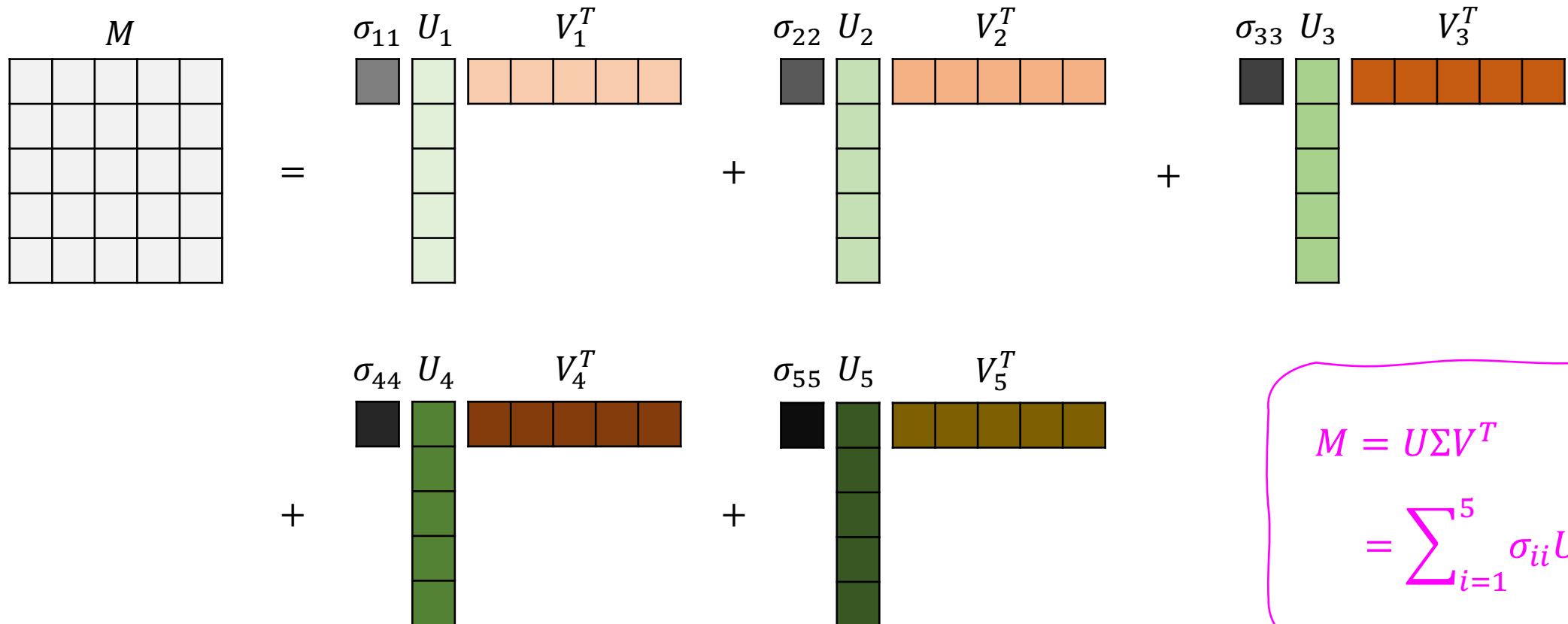
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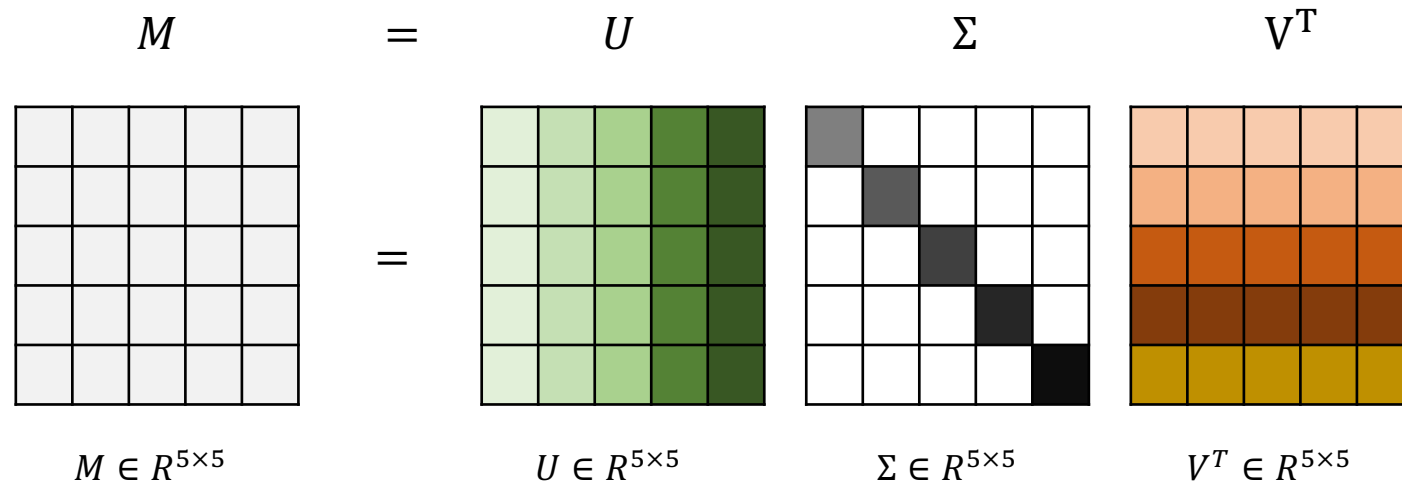
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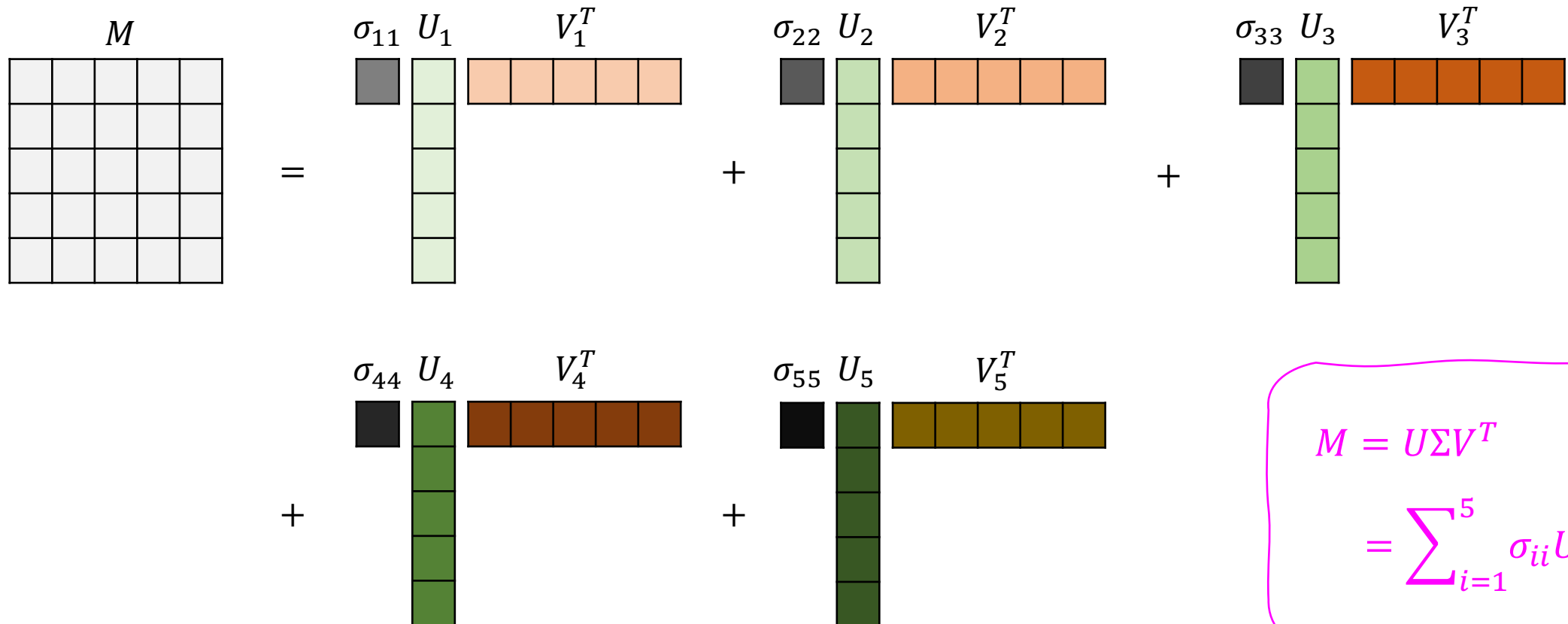
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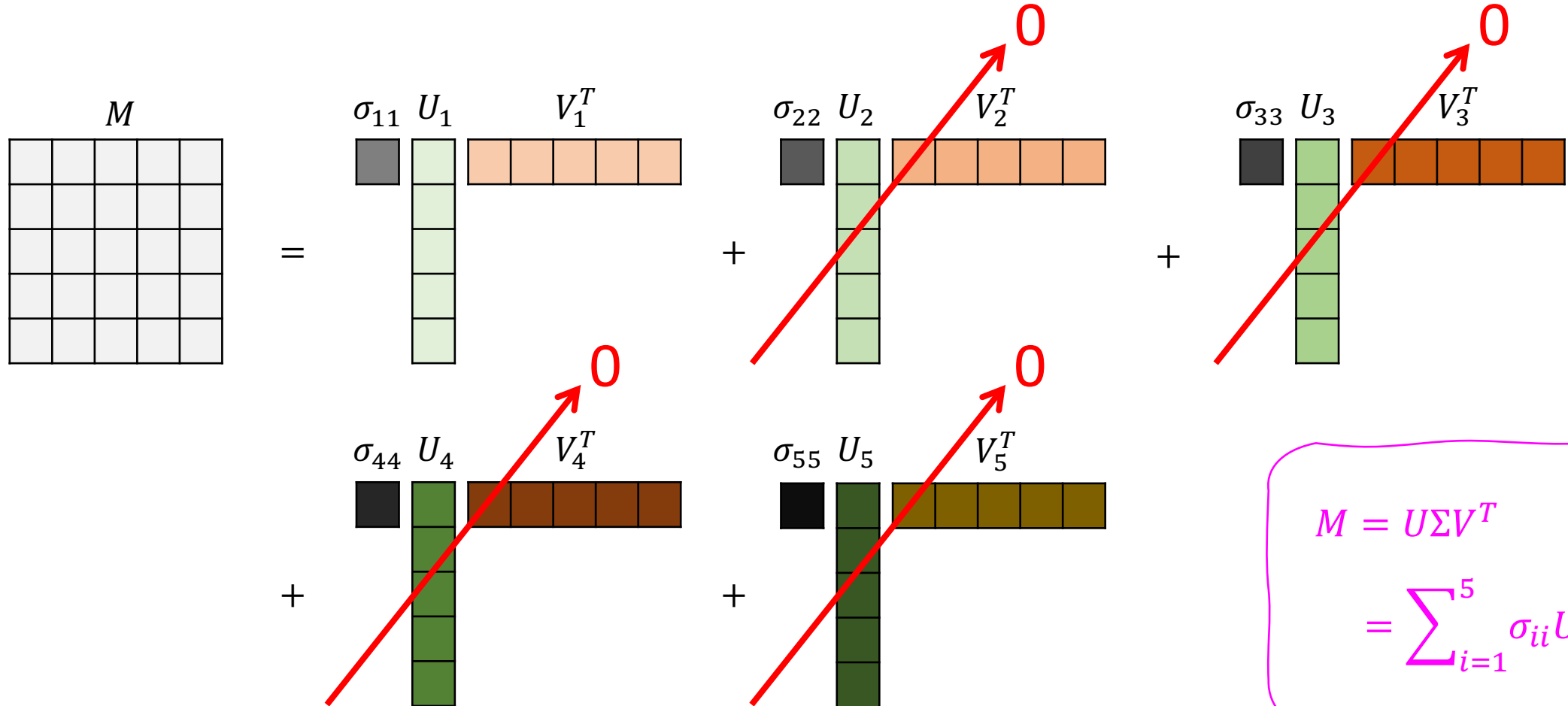
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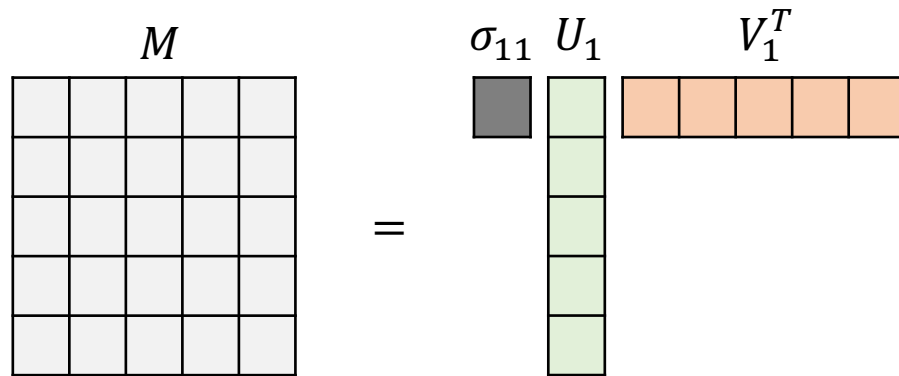
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Do nothing. Not a good choice, since the output size isn't the same as the input image, creating a host of engineering problems

Linear Filtering Properties

- Linearity

$$\text{filter}(\alpha_1 f_1 + \alpha_2 f_2) = \alpha_1 \text{filter}(f_1) + \alpha_2 \text{filter}(f_2)$$

- Shift-invariance

$$\text{filter}(\text{shift}(f)) = \text{shift}(\text{filter}(f))$$

- Any linear, shift-invariant filter can be represented as a **convolution**.

Properties of convolution

- Commulative: $a * b = b * a$
- Associative: $a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c$
- Distributes over addition: $a * (b + c) = a * b + a * c$
- Scalars factors out: $ka * b = a * kb = k(a * b)$
- Identity: $a * e = a$, where e is unit impulse

Linear filtering

- Remove, isolate, modify frequencies in the image
- Foundation based upon the convolution theorem

Recap (Linear Filtering)

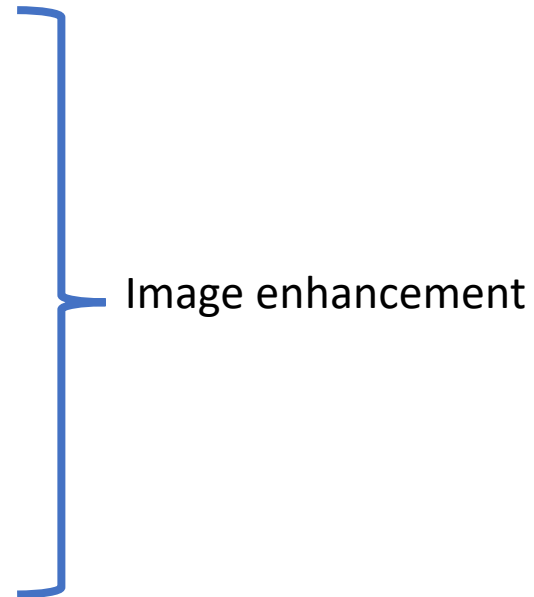
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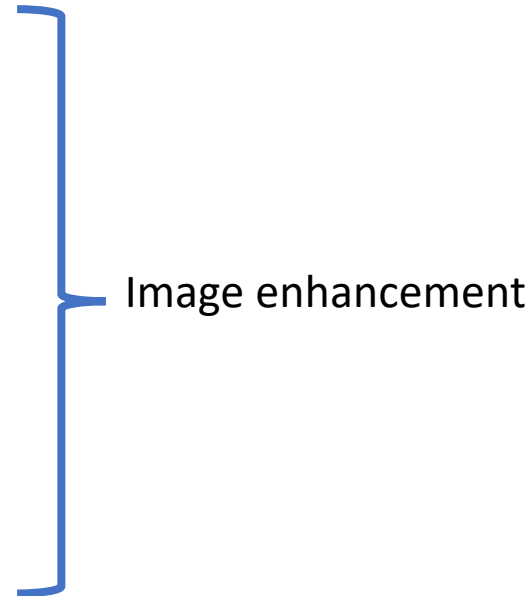
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We will develop a mathematical description of patches, starting with small 3x3 patches and making our way to the entire image

Local Image Patches: Why Do we Care?

- Recognition
- Inspection
- Video-based Tracking
- Special effects

Summary

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