

# 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

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E.g., Human perception



on point processes



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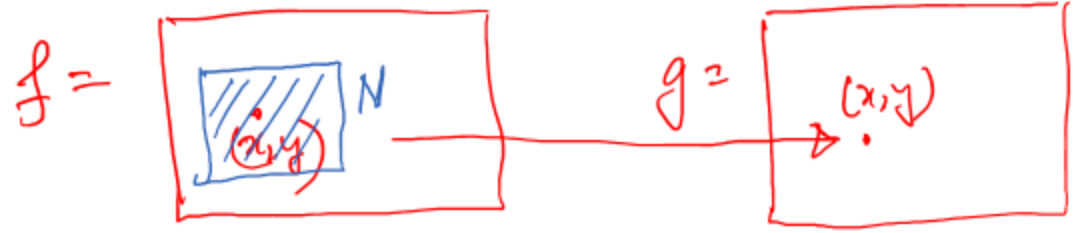
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  - Point processing
  - **Spatial processing (pixel neighbourhoods)** ← **Today's Focus**
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# Spatial Processing



- 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

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CNNs

# An Example of Spatial Filtering



$f(x, y)$



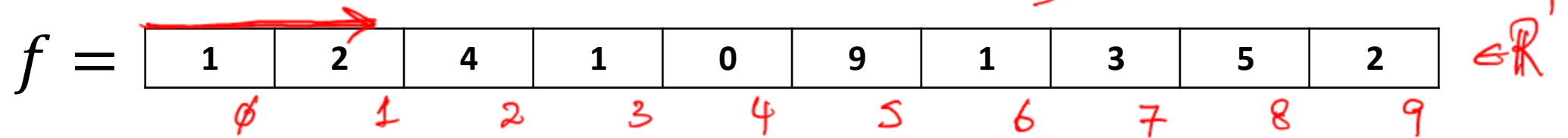
$g(x, y)$

5 x 5 neighbourhood

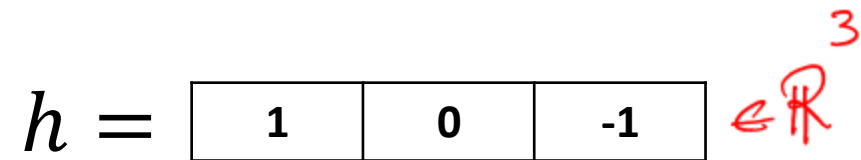


# Linear Filtering in 1D

Signal



Filter



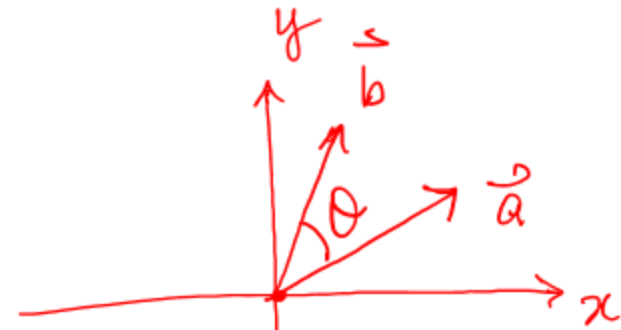
# Linear Filtering in 1D

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

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$$\begin{aligned} & (1)(1) + (2)(0) + (4)(-1) \\ &= 1 + 0 - 4 \\ &= \boxed{-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{a}, \vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$



$$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta = \boxed{a_x b_x + a_y b_y}$$

$$\vec{a} = (a_x, a_y), \quad \vec{b} = (b_x, b_y)$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2}$$

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**Dot-product**

	-3								
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	-3	1							
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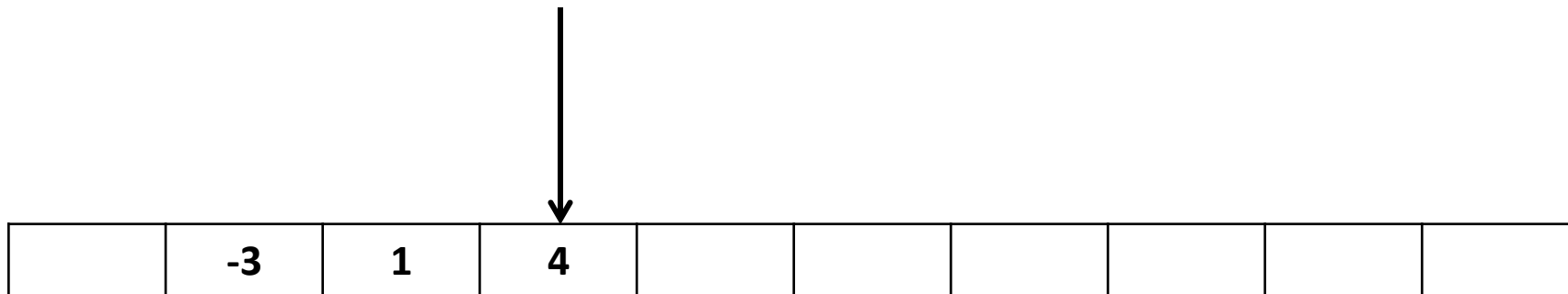


	-3	1	?						
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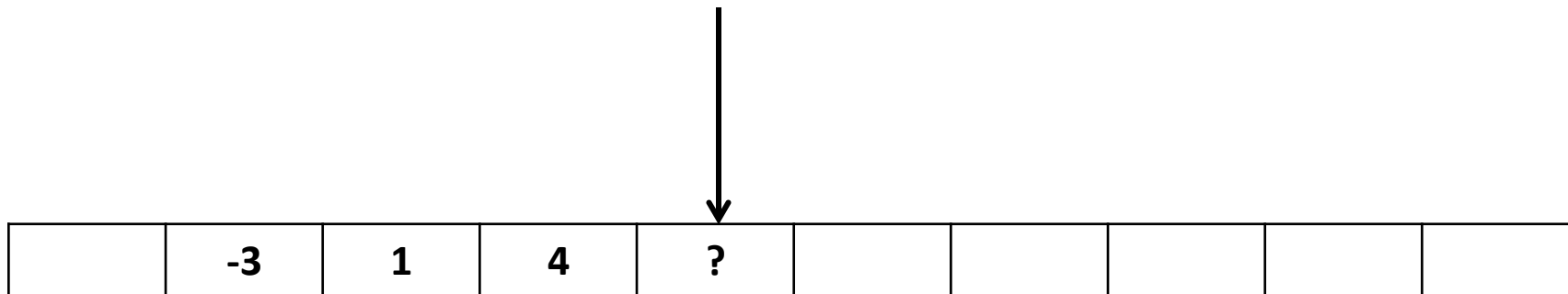
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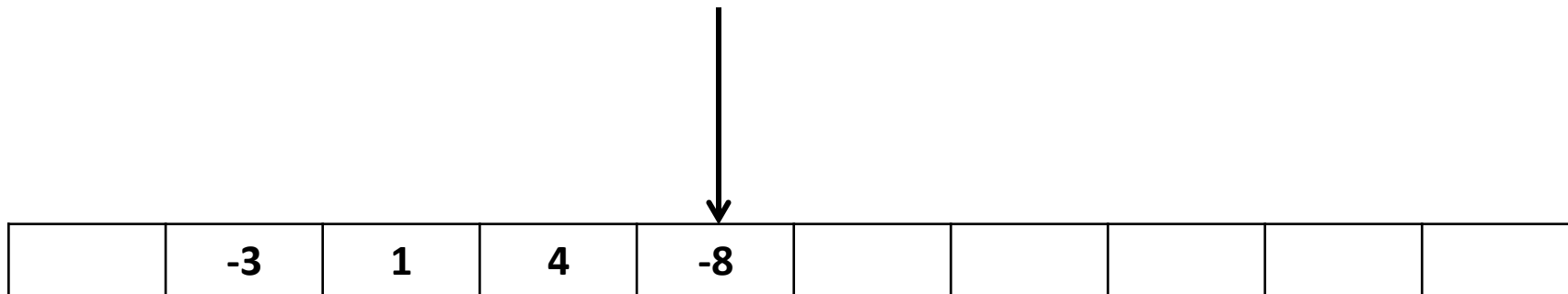
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	-3	1	4	-8	?				
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1	0	-1
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	-3	1	4	-8	-1				
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1	0	-1
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	-3	1	4	-8	-1	?			
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# Linear Filtering in 1D

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

1	0	-1
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	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6			
0	1	2	3	4	5	<u>6</u>	7	8	9

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1	0	-1
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	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	?		
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	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	-4		
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**Result**

	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	-4	?	
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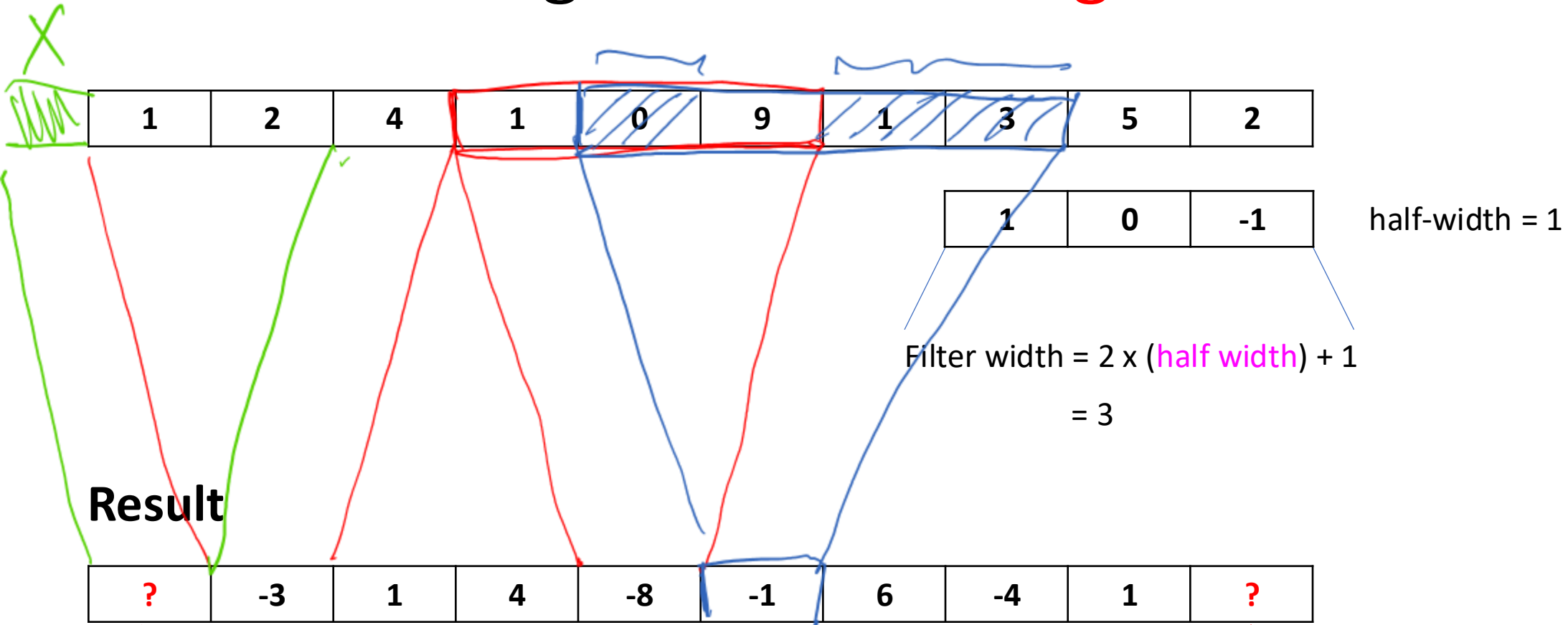
half-width = 1

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

## Result

	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	-4	1	
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# Linear Filtering in 1D – Missing Values



What to do with missing values?

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

## Result

?	-3	1	4	-8	-1	6	-4	1	?
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What to do with missing values?

We will deal with the missing values at the boundaries later.

# Cross-correlation: $CC(i)$

$$f = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|} \hline & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ \hline 1 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 10 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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

$-1 \quad 0 \quad 1$

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

$$CC(3) = f(3-1)h(-1) + f(3-0)h(0) + f(3+1)h(1)$$

Half-width  $w$

$$= f(2)h(-1) + f(3)h(0) + f(4)h(1)$$

$$= (4)(1) + (1)(0) + (10)(-1)$$

$$= 4 + 0 - 10$$

$$= -6$$

# Convolution $f * h$ Flipped !!

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$f =$	1	3	4	1	10	3	0	1

$h =$	1	0	-1
	-1	0	+1

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

↑  
"convolution"

$$(\mathbf{f} * \mathbf{k})_3 = f(3 - (-1))h(-1) + f(3 - 0)h(0) + f(3 - 1)h(1)$$

$$= f(3+1)h(-1) + f(3)h(0) + f(3-1)h(1)$$

$$= f(4)h(-1) + f(3)h(0) + f(2)h(1)$$

$$= (10)(1) + (1)(0) + (4)(-1)$$

$$= 10 + 0 - 4$$

$$= 6$$

# Convolution $f * h$

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

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

Filter is flipped



# Linear Filtering in 1D

1 1 4 3 1 3 4 NOT SYMMETRIC

0 2 3 2 0 SYMMETRIC

Signal 

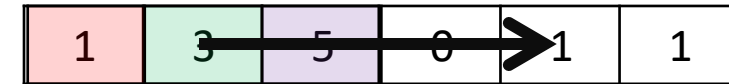
1	3	5	0	1	1
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Kernel/Filter 

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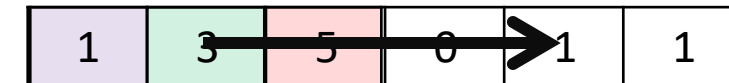
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# Filter half-width

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

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



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

What is the half-width of this filter  $h$ ?

# Filter half-width

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


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

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

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

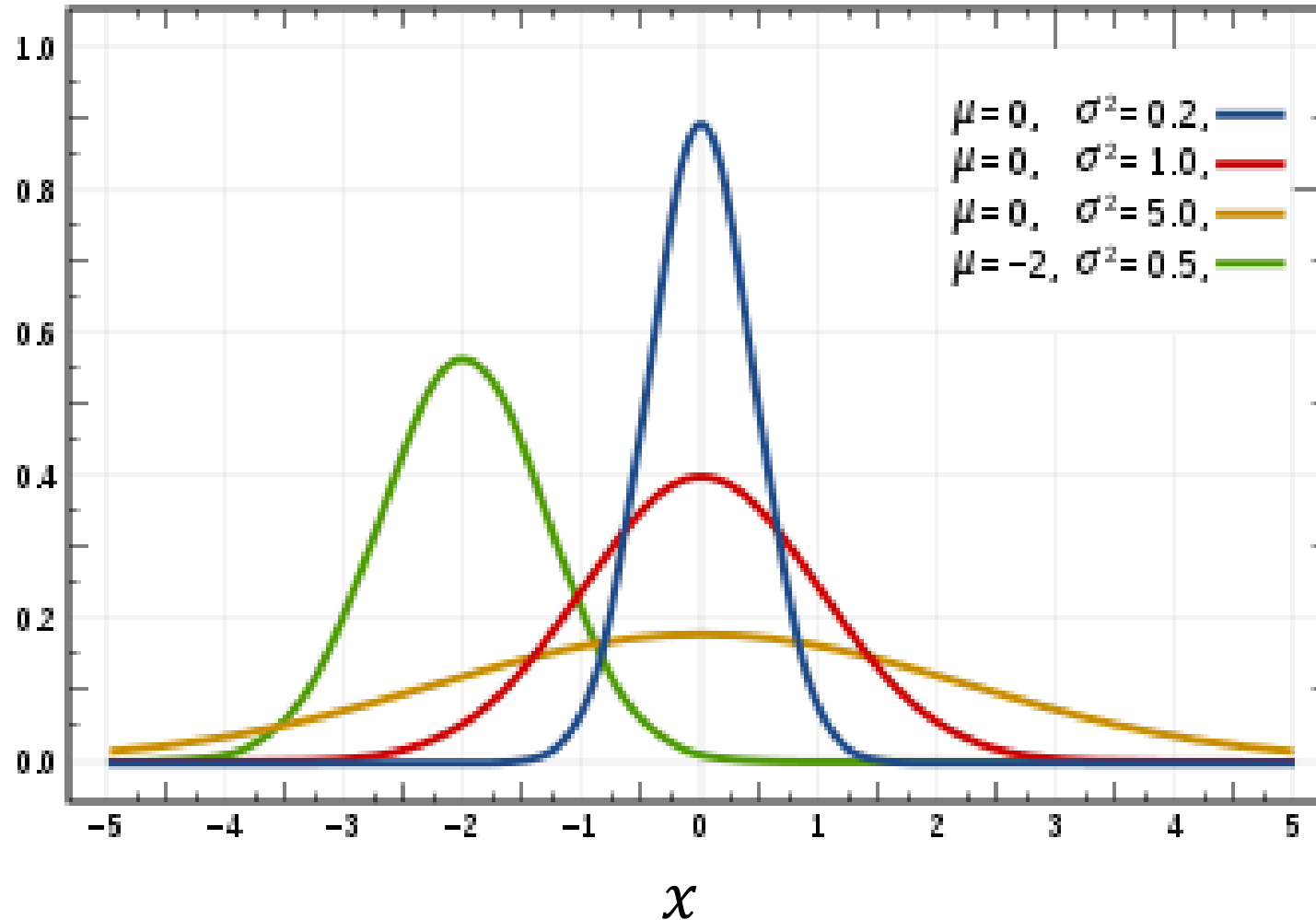
- Signal:  $f$
- Kernel (sometimes called mask or filter):  $h$
- Half-width of kernel:  $w$

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

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

# Gaussian in 1D

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



From Wikipedia

# Gaussian in 1D

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

↑ standard deviation

↑ variance

mean



# Mean ( $\mu$ ) and variance ( $\sigma^2$ )

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

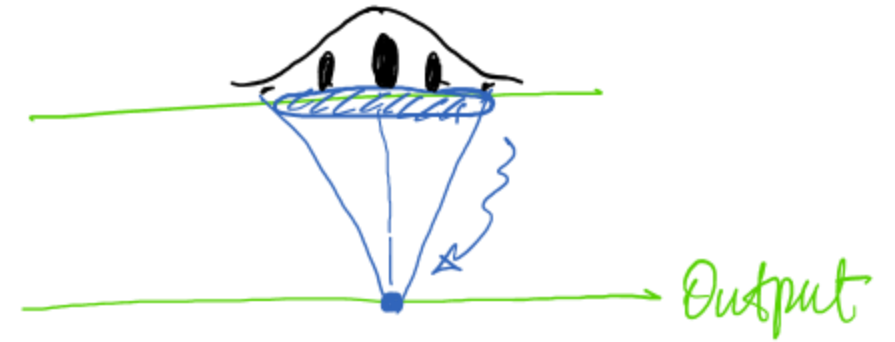
**Mean**

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

**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



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

$\mu = 0$   
 $\sigma^2 = 1$

5 tap filter,  $w = 2$   
 $x = -2$        $x = -1$

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

# Setup a 5-tap Gaussian filter

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What information is missing?

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$$\sigma = 2$$

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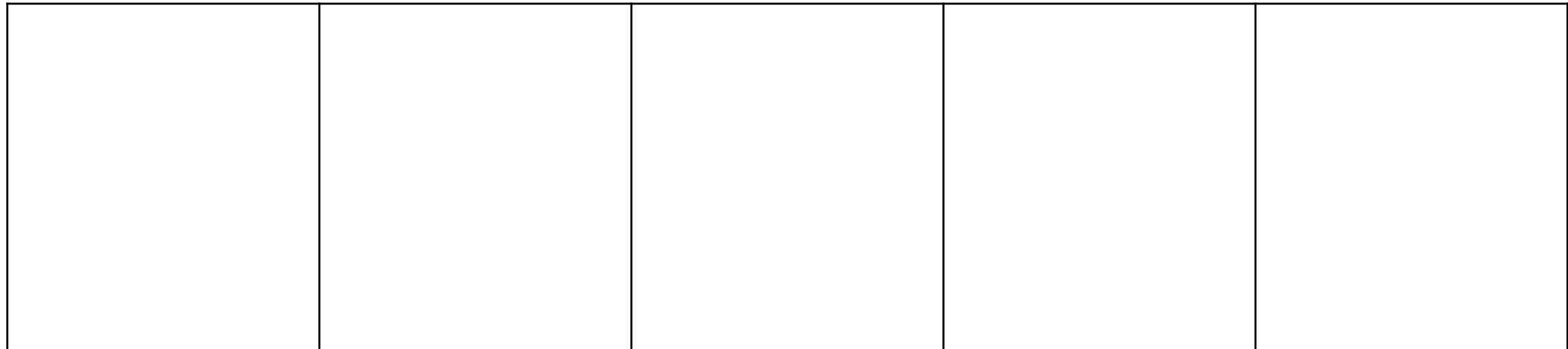
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$$x = 2$$

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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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$$\mu = 0$$

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

$$\mu = 0$$

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

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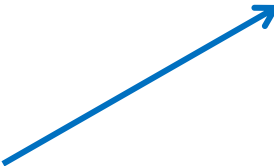
What information is missing?

$$\sigma = 2$$

$$\mu = 0$$

$\exp(-0.5)$ $\approx 0.607$	$\exp(-0.125)$ $\approx 0.882$	$\exp(0)$ $= 1$	$\exp(-0.125)$ $\approx 0.882$	$\exp(-0.5)$ $\approx 0.607$
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What information is missing?

$$\sigma = 2$$

$$\mu = 0$$

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

# Fit a Gaussian to the following data

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
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$\mu$   
 $\sigma^2$

on linear filtering



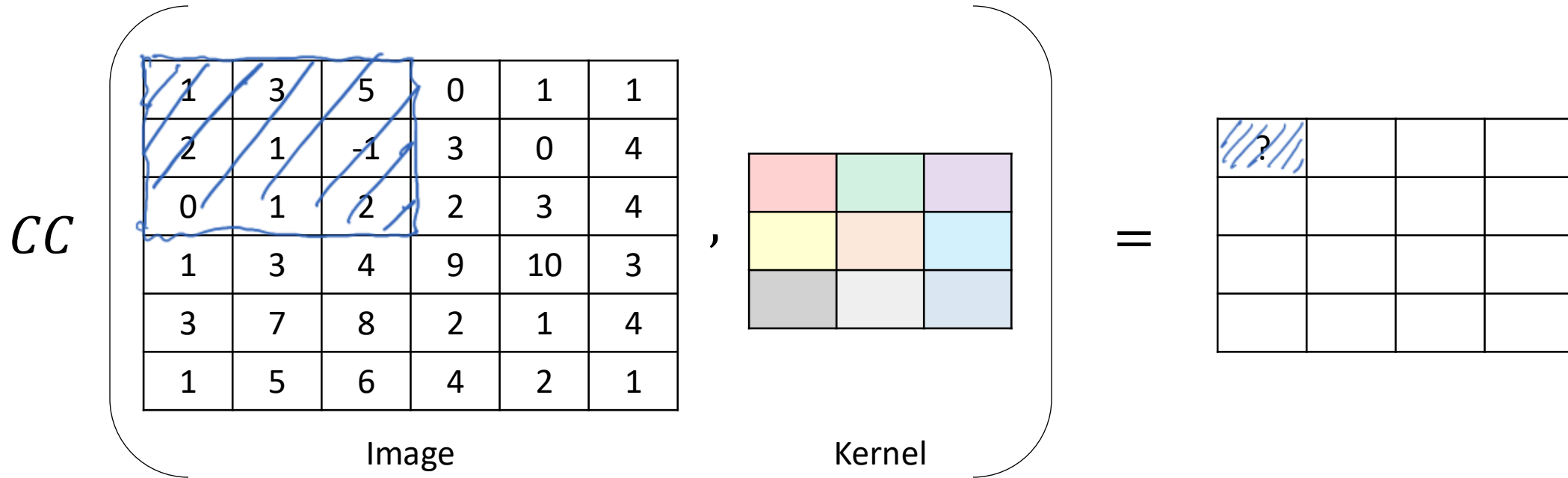
# Linear Filtering in 2D

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

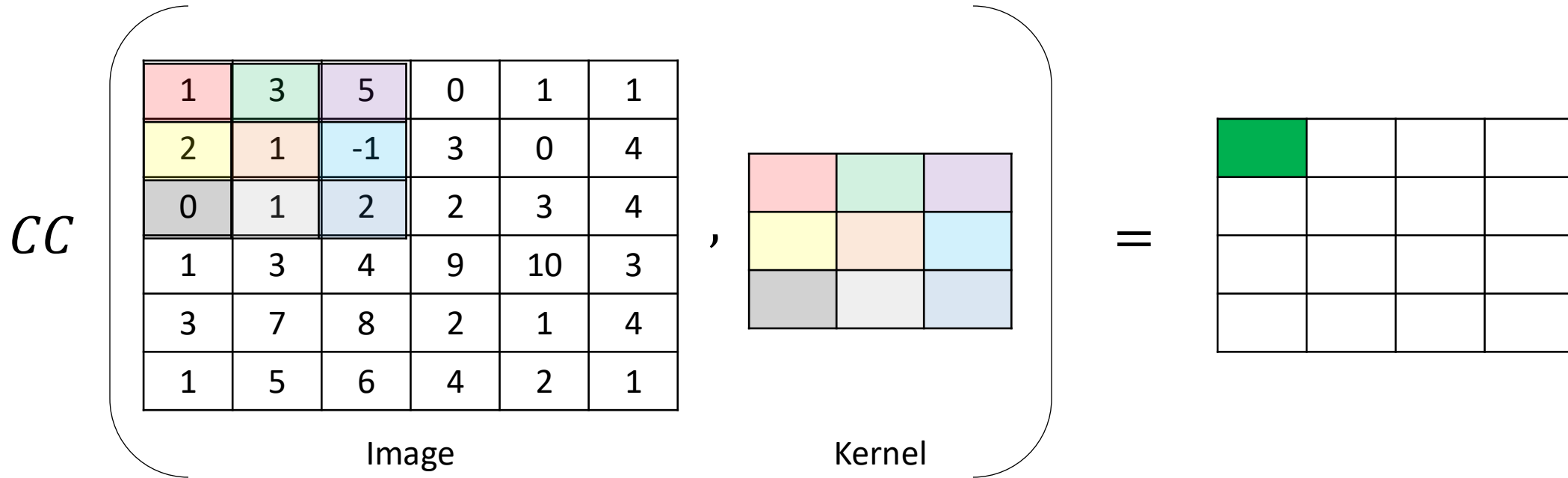
Image


Kernel

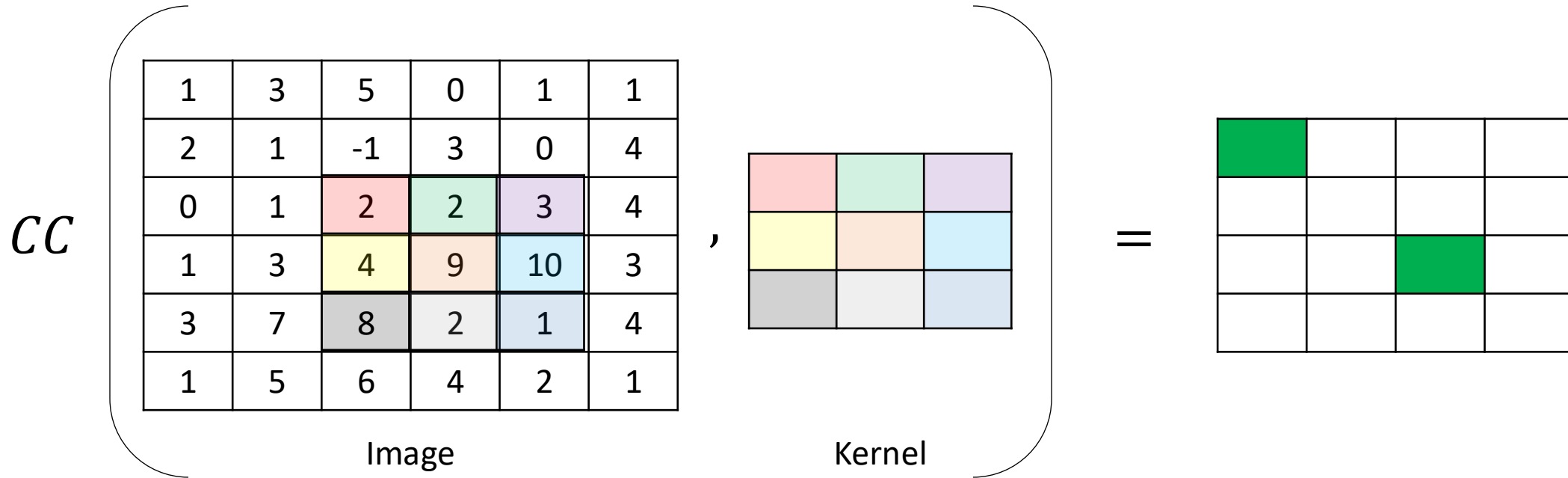
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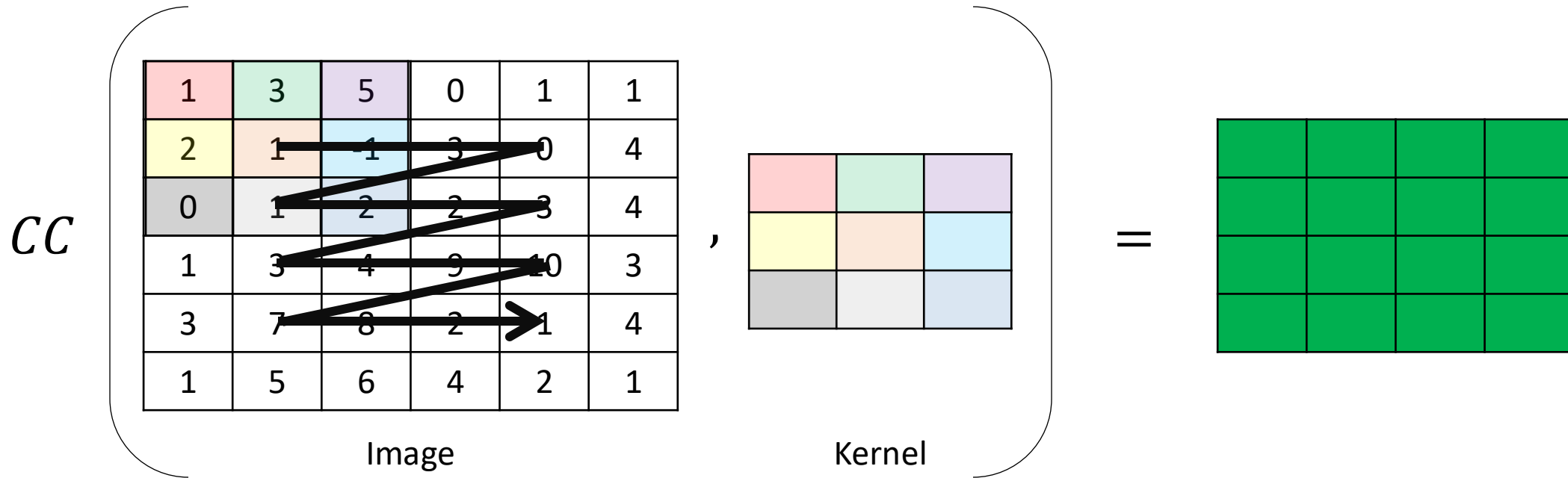
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2	1	1	3	0	4
0	1	2	2	3	4
1	3	4	9	10	3
3	7	8	2	1	4
1	5	6	4	2	1

Image

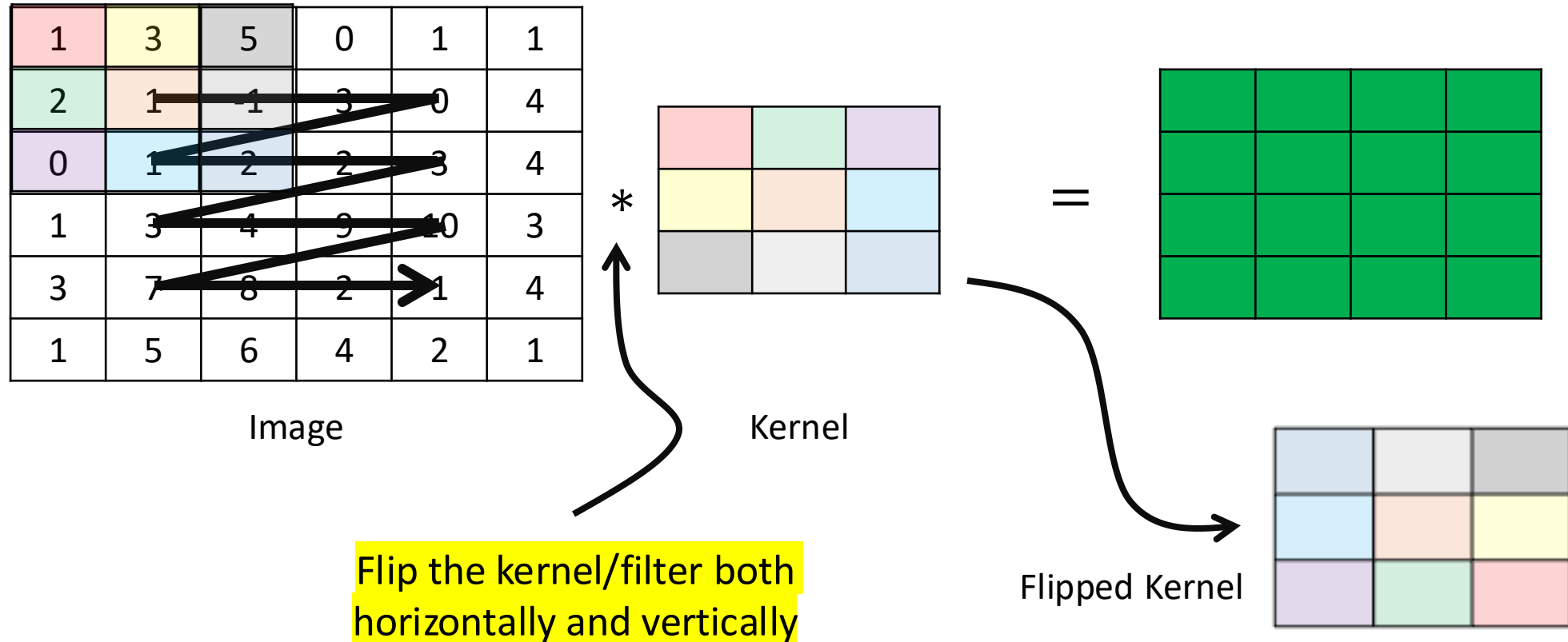

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Kernel

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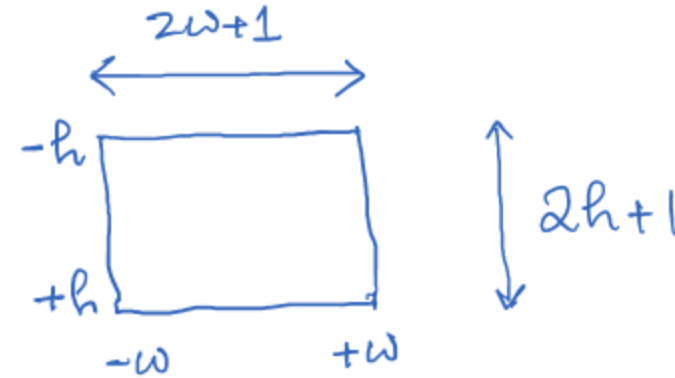
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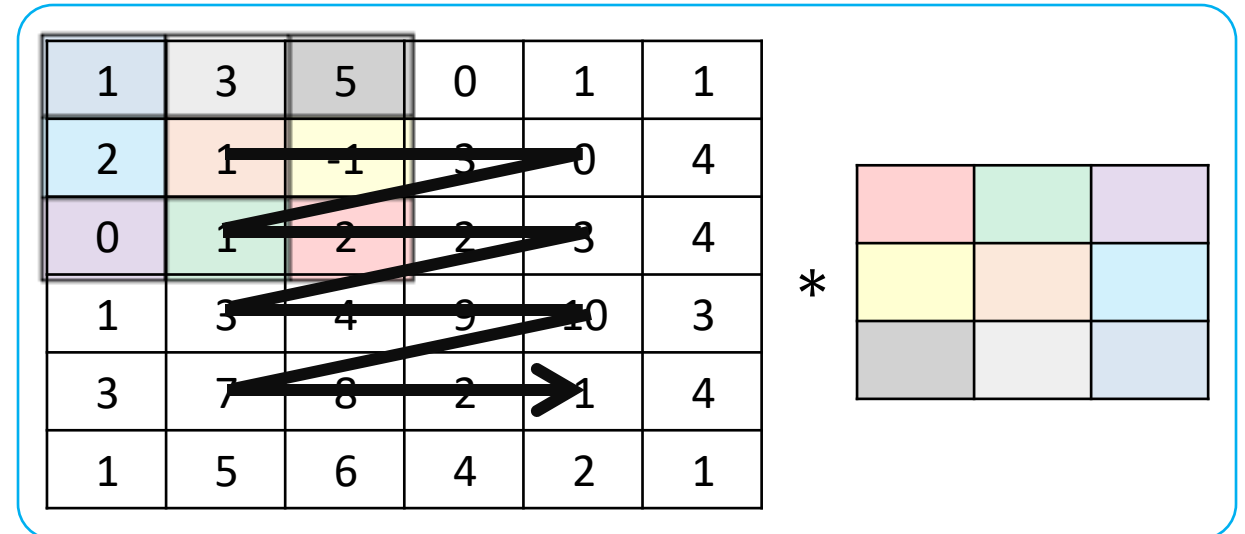
## Cross-correlation

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

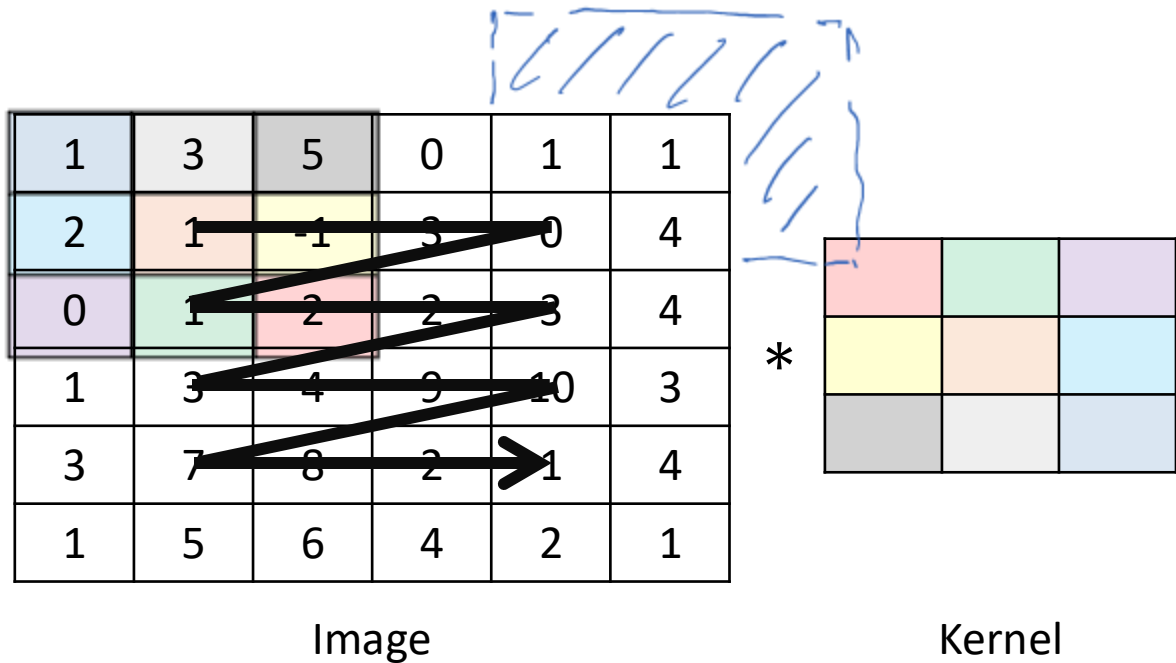


## Convolution

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



# Number of multiplications and additions



# \* 9  
 # + 8  
 # loc 16  
 # total = 16 (9\*, 8+)

# Number of multiplications and additions

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

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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)

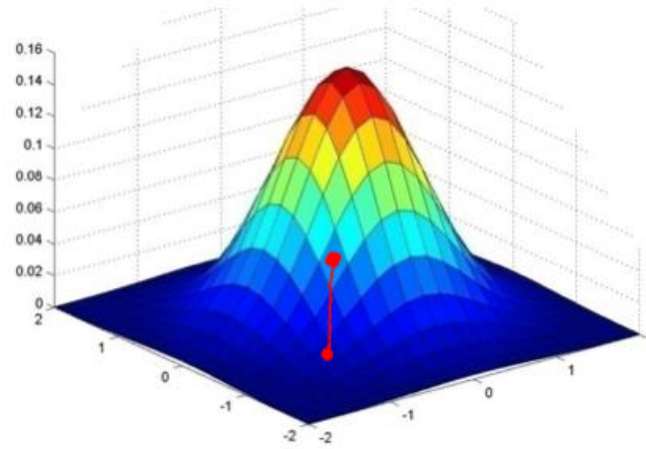
$$G(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right)$$

where

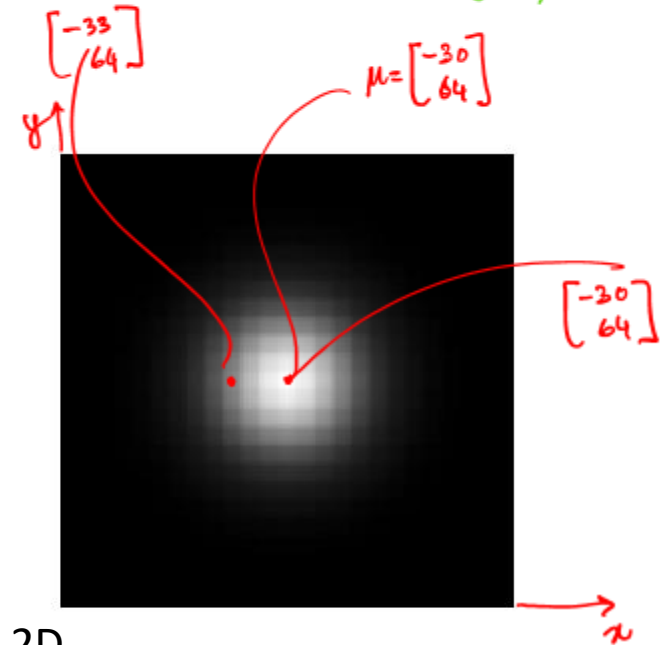
$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

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

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



Gaussian in 2D

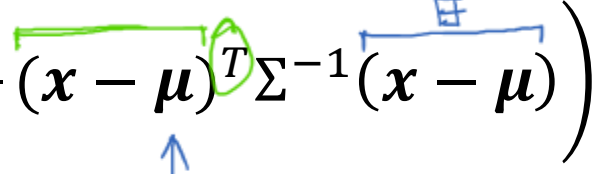


$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^7, \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^7$

Example:  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$

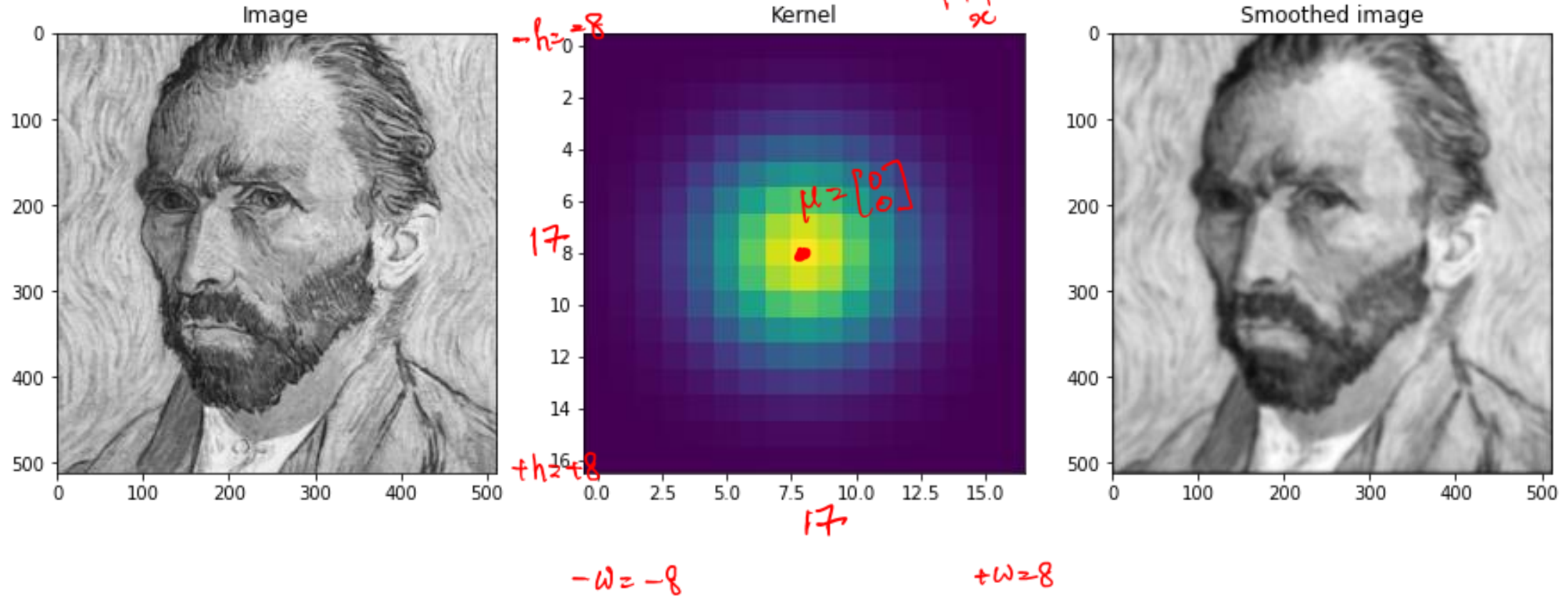


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# Gaussian Blurring

Aside: How do we determine a Gaussian?  
 $(2,1), (3,1), \dots, (100,-7) \rightarrow \vec{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^2$   
 $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$

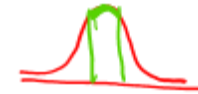
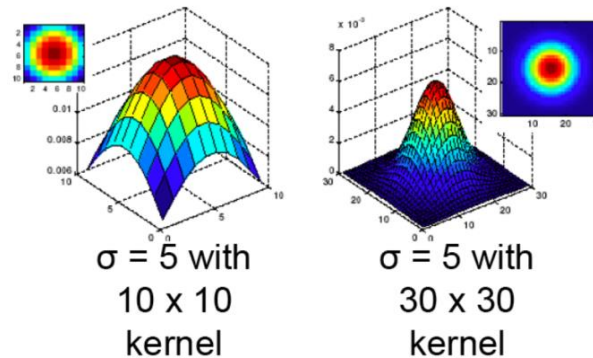


# Gaussian Blurring

- We often use the following approximation of a Gaussian function

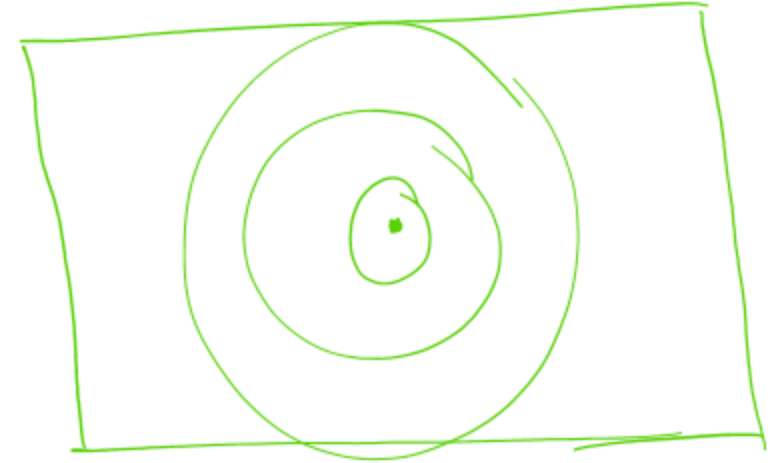
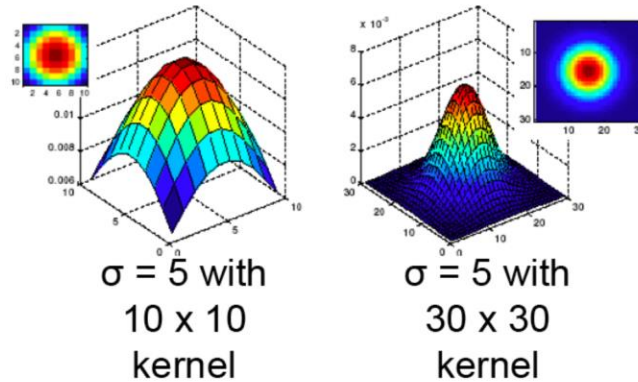
$$\frac{1}{16} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 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

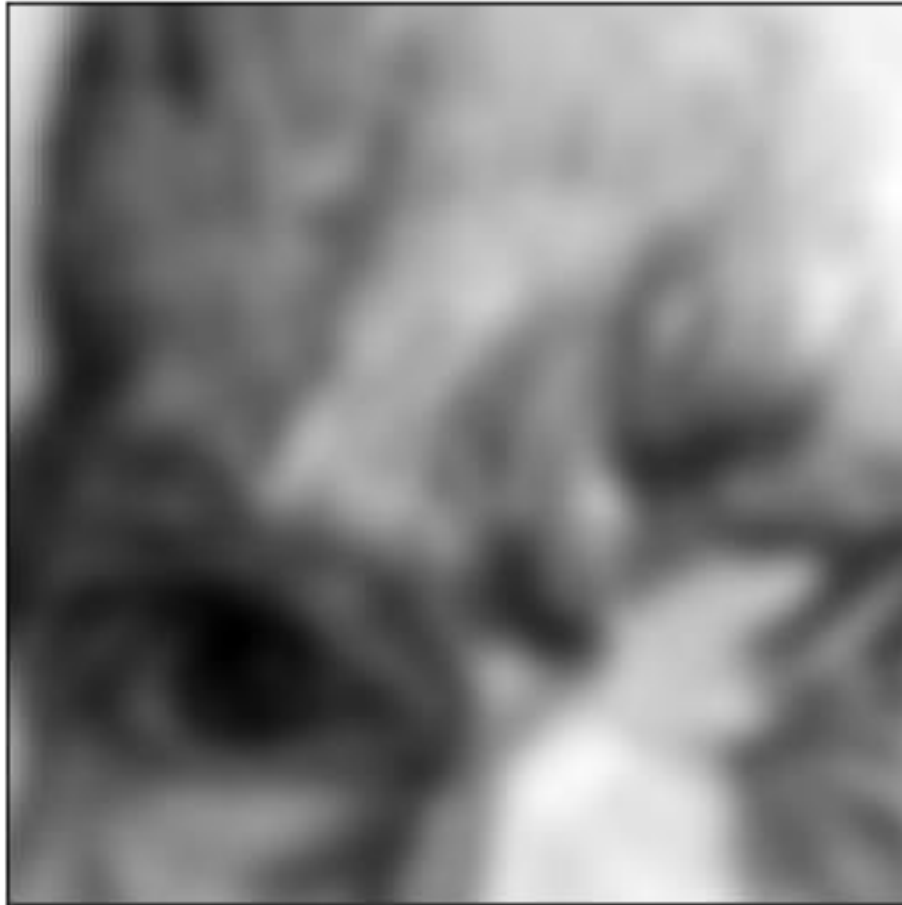
# Gaussian Blurring

- Convoluting twice with Gaussian kernel of width  $\sigma^2$  is the same as convoluting once with kernel of width  $\sigma\sqrt{2}$
- Applying a Gaussian filter with variance  $\sigma_1^2$ , followed by applying a Gaussian filter with variance  $\sigma_2^2$  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

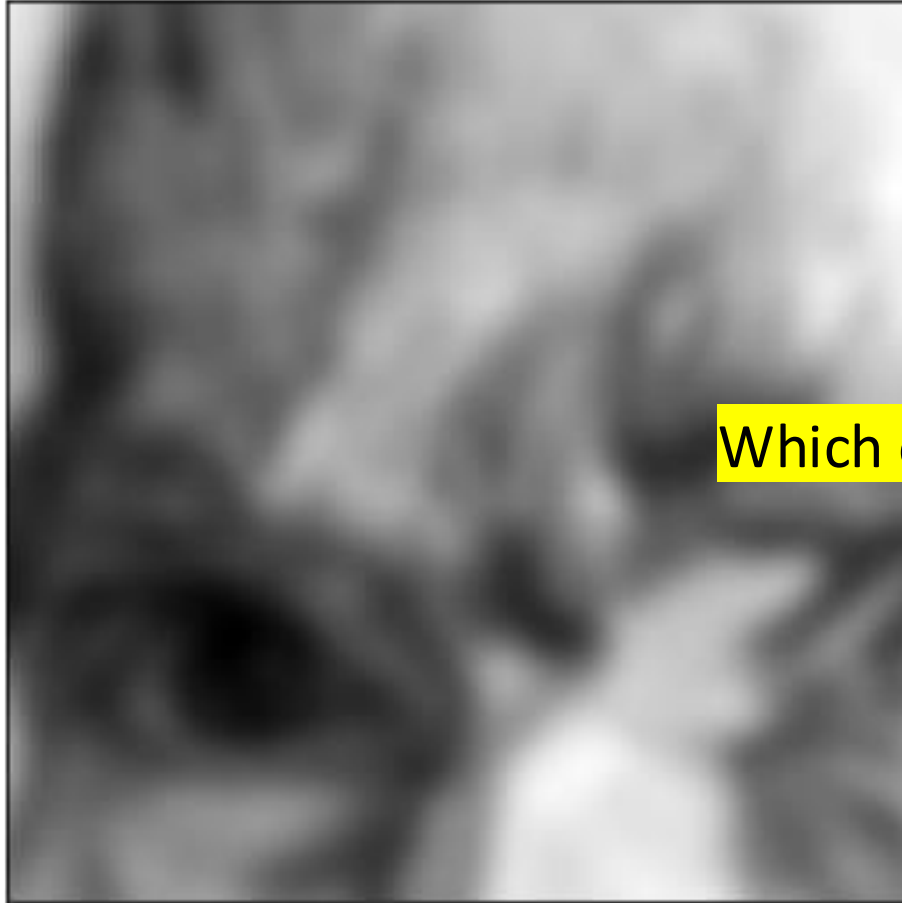


Averaging (Box) Kernel



# Gaussian Blurring vs. Average (Box) Filtering

Gaussian Kernel

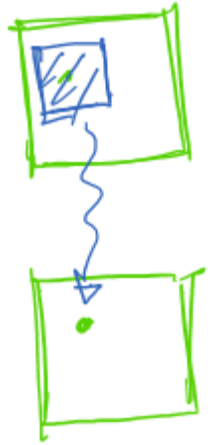


Averaging (Box) Kernel

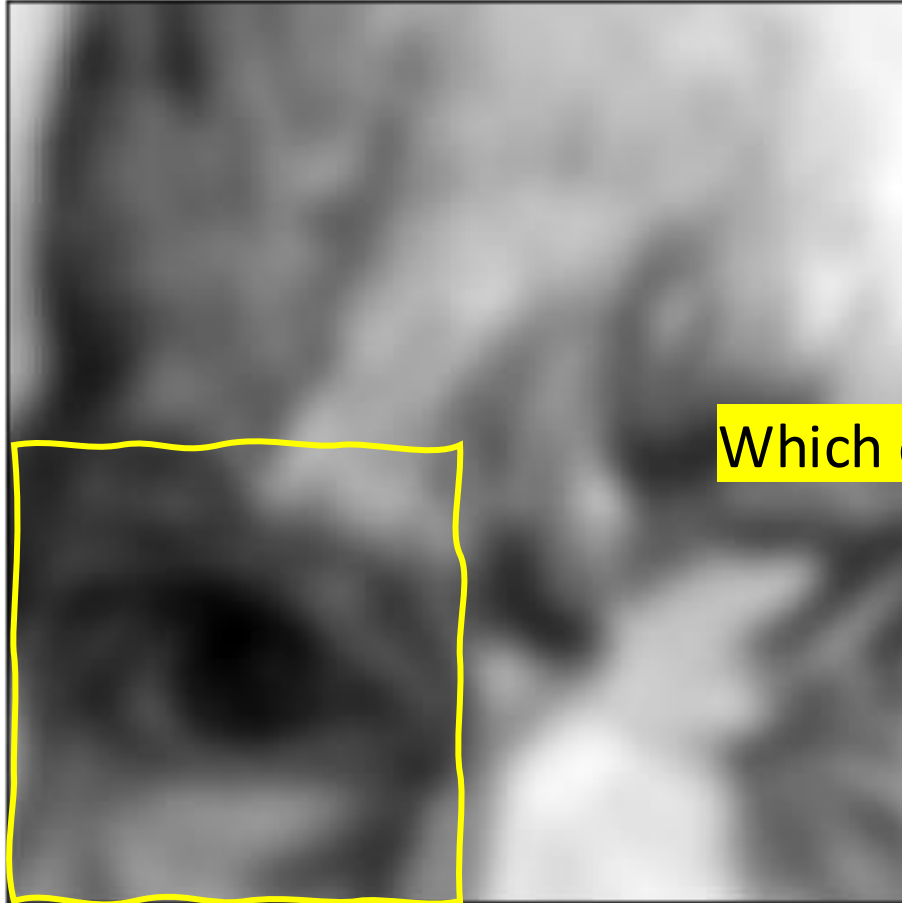


Which one is better?

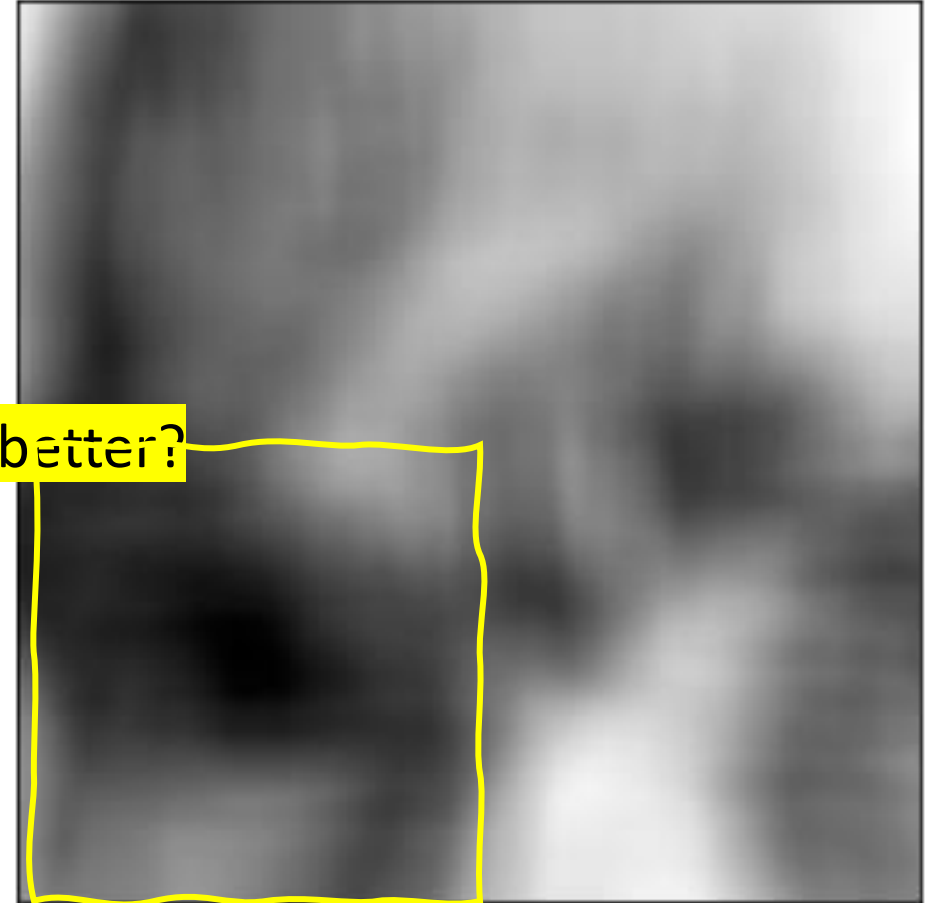
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Gaussian Kernel



Averaging (Box) Kernel



Which one is better?

# Separability

- An n-dimensional filter that can be expressed as an **outer-product** of n 1-dimensional filters is called a separable filter

Inner product:  $\left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array}, \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 2 & 1 & 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array} = (2)(0) + (1)(1) + (3)(2) = 7$

Outer product:  $\left( \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$

# Outer-Product and Inner-Product

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Exercise

# Separability

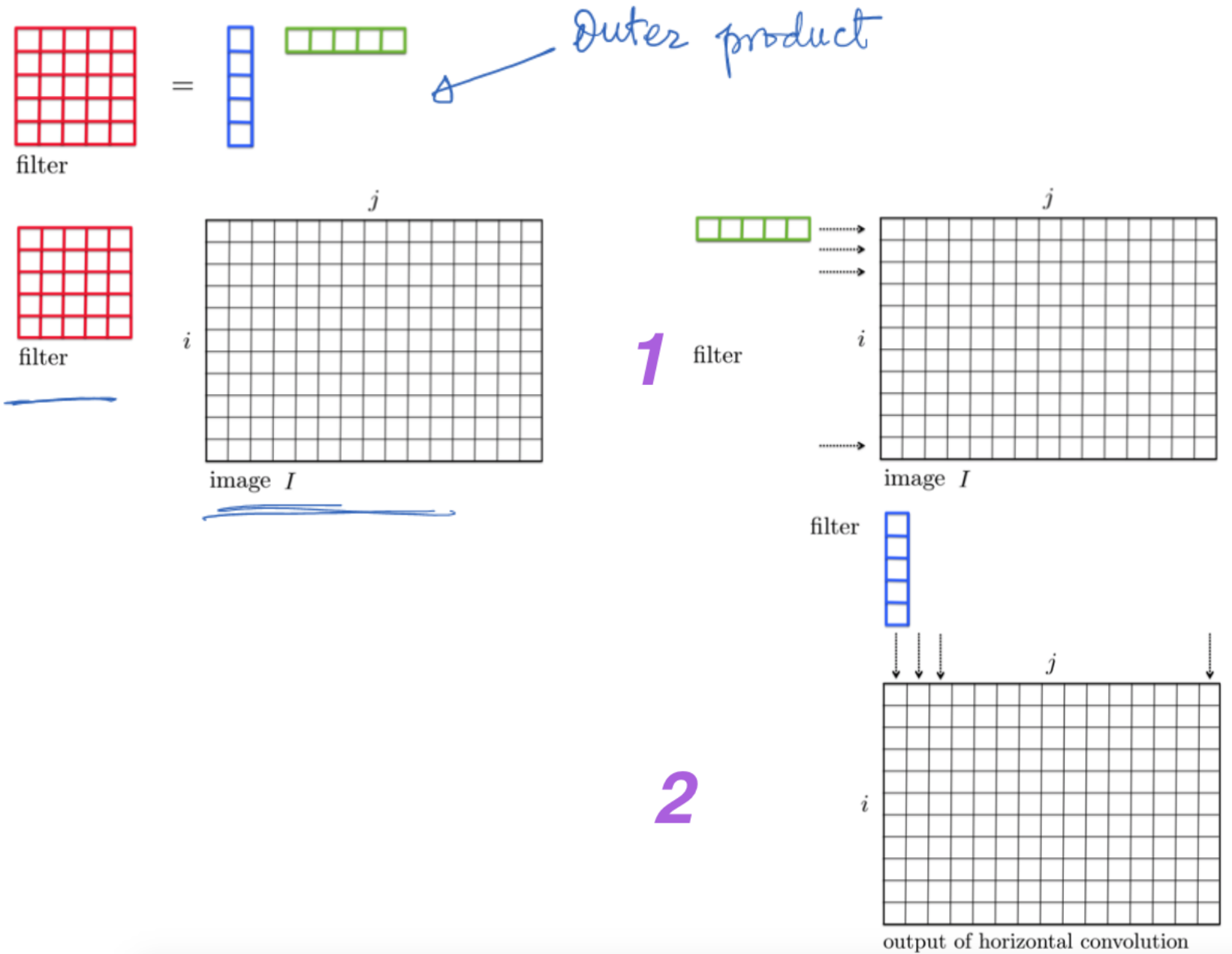
- An n-dimensional filter that can be expressed as an **outer-product** of n 1-dimensional filters is called a separable filter

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [1 \quad 2 \quad 1]$$

# Convolution with Separable Filters in 2D

- [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


# Convolution with Separable Filters in 2D



# Convolution with Separable Filters in 2 d

$$\text{Signal } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Filter/Kernel } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [1 \quad 2 \quad 1]$$

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Say we want to compute the response at location (1,1), highlighted above.

# Convolution with Separable Filters in 2 d

$$\text{Signal } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{matrix} \quad \text{Filter/Kernel } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [1 \quad 2 \quad 1]$$

Say we want to compute the response at location (1,1), highlighted above.

**Using 2D convolution (without exploiting separability)**

$$\begin{aligned} & (1)(1) + (0)(2) + (-2)(1) + (2)(2) + (-1)(4) + (6)(2) + (3)(1) + (0)(2) + (1)(1) \\ &= 1 + 0 - 2 + 4 - 4 + 12 + 3 + 0 + 1 \\ &= 15 \end{aligned}$$



# Convolution with Separable Filters in 2 d

$$\text{Signal } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{Filter/Kernel } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \underline{\underline{[1 \quad 2 \quad 1]}}$$

Say we want to compute the response at location (1,1), highlighted above.

**Using 2D convolution (exploiting separability)**

Step 1: use horizontal filter

$$\begin{bmatrix} (1)(1) + (0)(2) + (-2)(1) \\ (2)(1) + (-1)(2) + (6)(1) \\ (3)(1) + (0)(2) + (1)(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Convolution with Separable Filters in 2 d

$$\text{Signal } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{matrix}$$

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Say we want to compute the response at location (1,1), highlighted above.

**Using 2D convolution (exploiting separability)**

Step 1: use horizontal filter to

$$\begin{bmatrix} (1)(1) + (0)(2) + (-2)(1) \\ (2)(1) + (-1)(2) + (6)(1) \\ (3)(1) + (0)(2) + (1)(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

=  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

Step 2: use vertical filter

$$\begin{aligned} & (-1)(1) + (6)(2) + (4)(1) \\ & = 15 \end{aligned}$$

B

Check that this  
is the same  
value as in

A

# Computational Considerations

- For non-separable filters

$$O(w_k \times h_k \times w \times h)$$

- For separable filters

$$O(w_k \times w \times h) + O(w_h \times w \times h)$$

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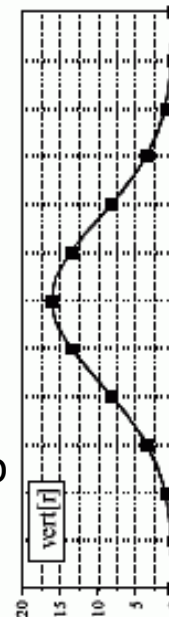
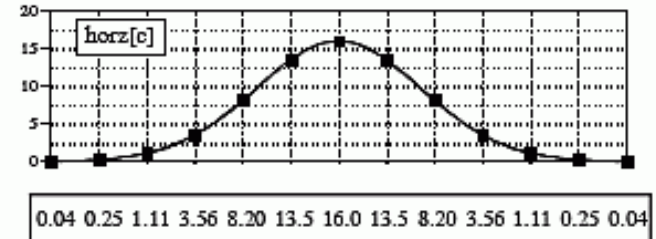
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Where possible exploit separability to speed up convolutions

# 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
1.11	0	0	1	4	9	15	18	15	9	4	1	0	0
3.56	0	1	4	13	29	48	57	48	29	13	4	1	0
8.20	0	2	9	29	67	111	131	111	67	29	9	2	0
13.5	1	3	15	48	111	183	216	183	111	48	15	3	1
16.0	1	4	18	57	131	216	255	216	131	57	18	4	1
13.5	1	3	15	48	111	183	216	183	111	48	15	3	1
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# Singular value decomposition

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.  $\sigma_{ii}$  contains the singular values

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

# Singular value decomposition

Matrix  $M$  is square

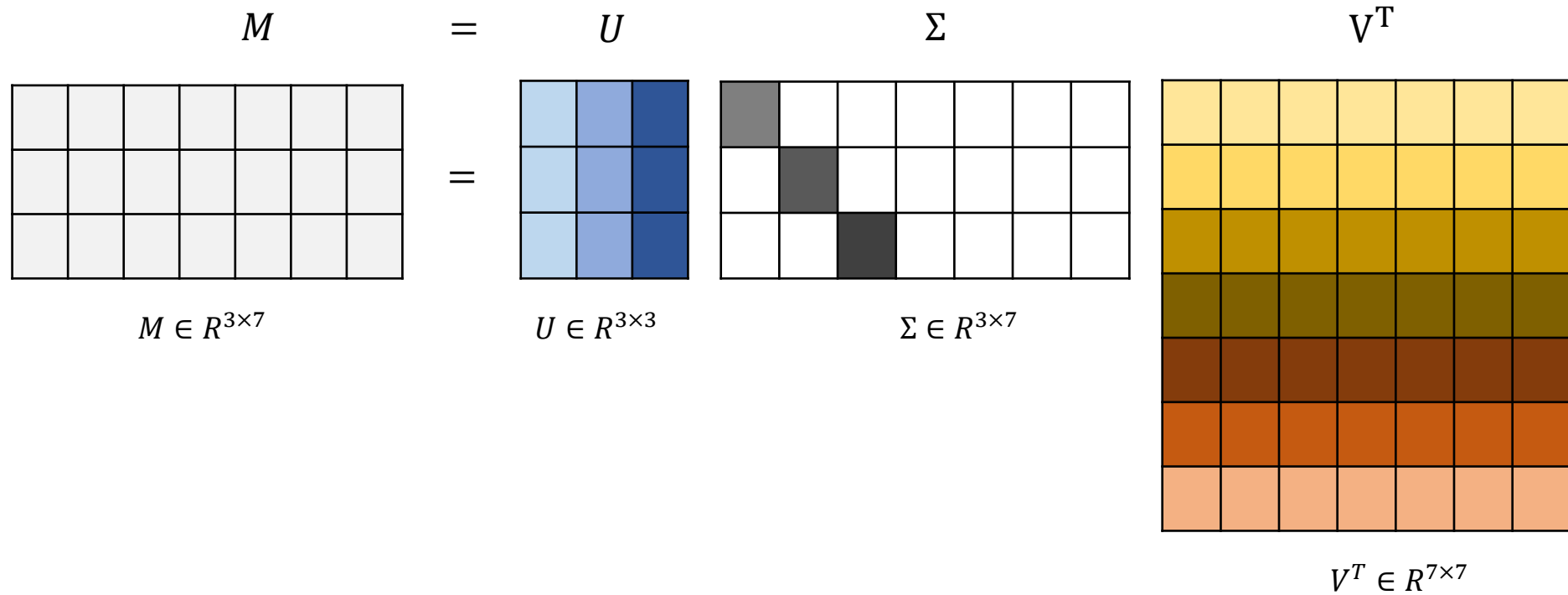
$$M = U \Sigma V^T$$

The diagram illustrates the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of a square matrix  $M$ . It shows the equation  $M = U \Sigma V^T$  with corresponding 5x5 grid representations for each matrix. The matrix  $M$  is represented by a uniform light gray grid. The matrix  $U$  is represented by a green gradient grid. The matrix  $\Sigma$  is represented by a diagonal grid with gray, black, and white squares. The matrix  $V^T$  is represented by an orange-to-yellow gradient grid.

$M \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 5}$        $U \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 5}$        $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 5}$        $V^T \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 5}$

# Singular value decomposition

Matrix  $M$  is wide



# Singular value decomposition

Matrix  $M$  is tall

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

$M \in R^{7 \times 3}$        $U \in R^{7 \times 7}$        $\Sigma \in R^{7 \times 3}$        $V^T \in R^{3 \times 3}$

# Singular value decomposition

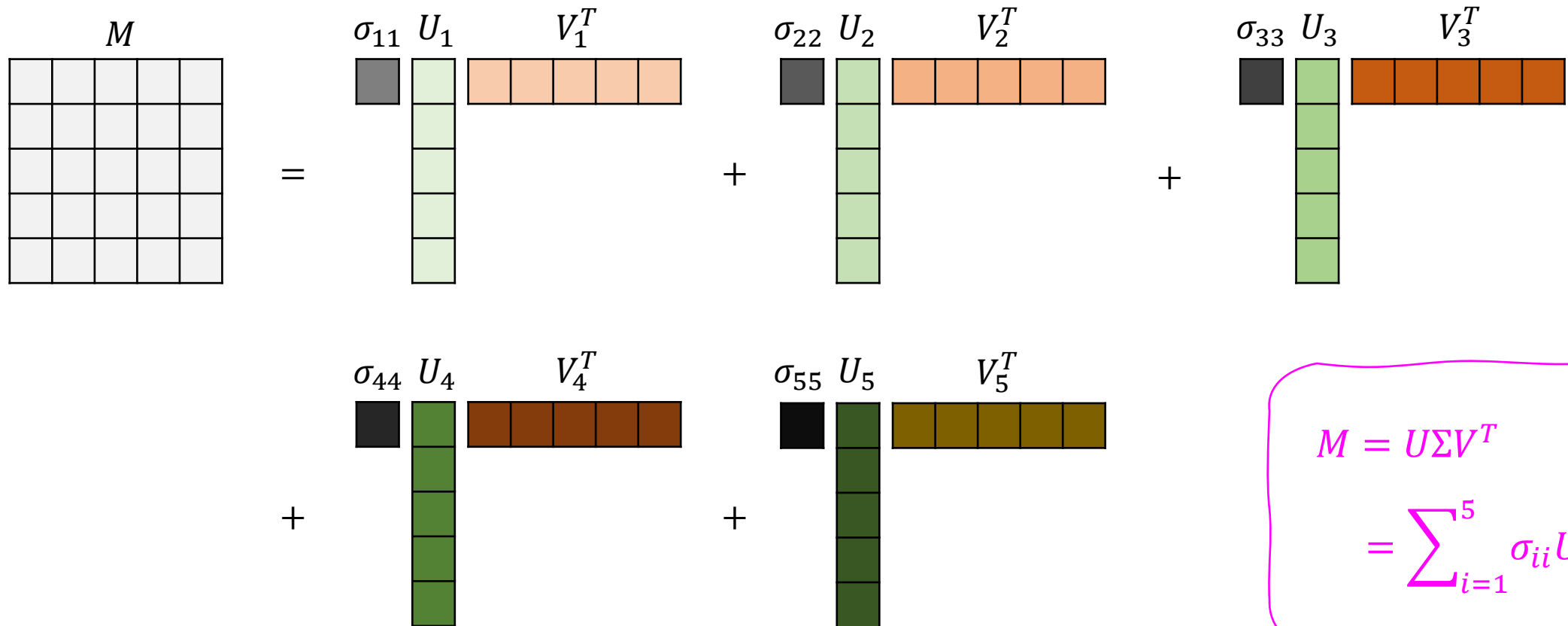
Expressed as a sum of scaled outer-products between columns of  $U$  and rows of  $V^T$

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

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# Singular value decomposition

Expressed as a sum of scaled outer-products between columns of  $U$  and rows of  $V^T$



$$M = U \Sigma V^T$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^5 \sigma_{ii} U_i V_i^T$$

# How to find if a 2D filter is separable?

- Use Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)
  - If only one singular value is non-zero then the 2D filter is separable
- [Step 1] Compute SVD and check if only one singular value is non-zero

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T = \sum_i \sigma_{ii} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T$$

where  $\mathbf{\Sigma} = \text{diag}(\sigma_{ii})$

# Singular value decomposition

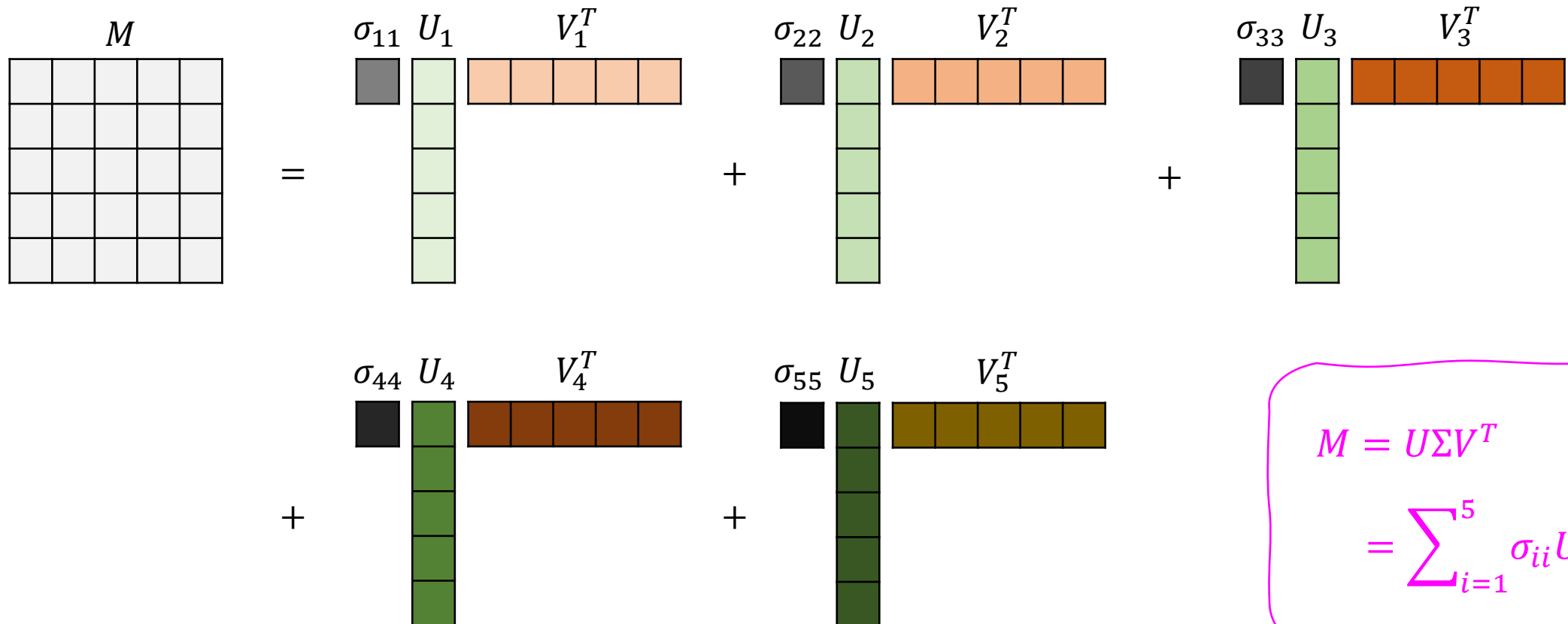
What if only  $\sigma_{11}$  is non-zero?

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

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# Singular value decomposition

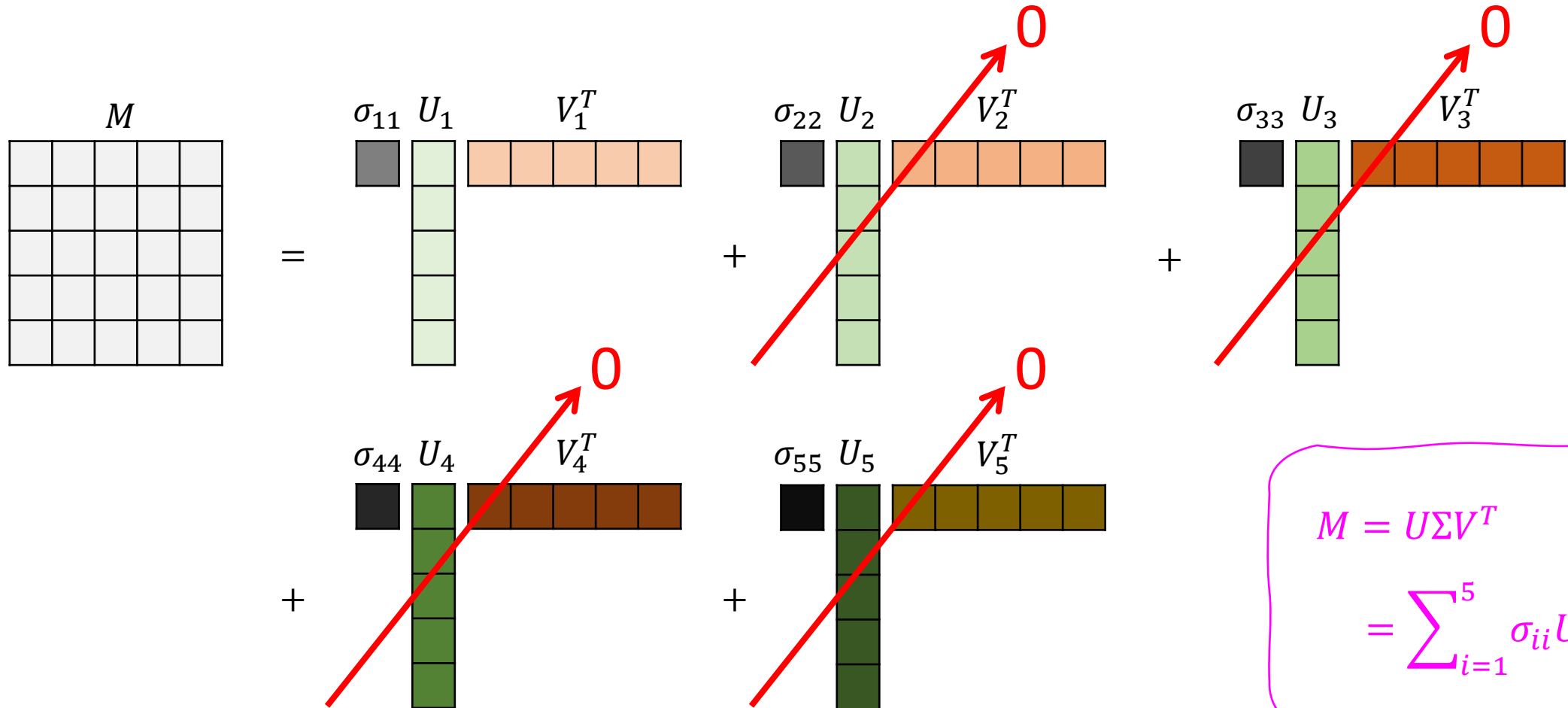
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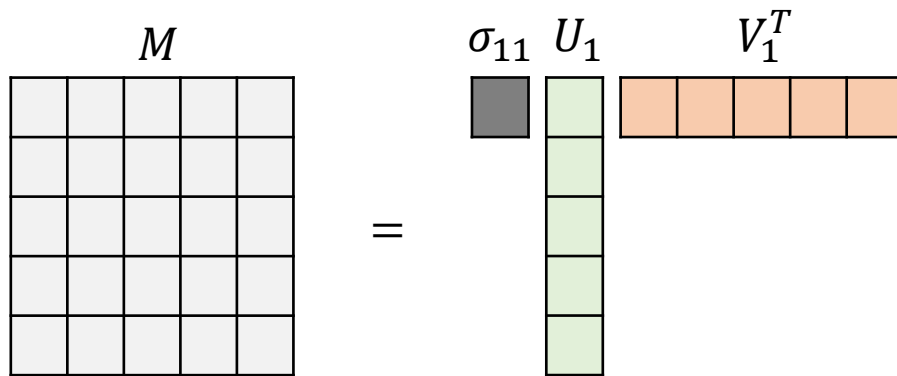
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$$= \sum_{i=1}^5 \sigma_{ii} U_i V_i^T$$

# Singular value decomposition

What if only  $\sigma_{11}$  is non-zero?



Outer-product of  $(\sqrt{\sigma_{11}})U_1$  and  $(\sqrt{\sigma_{11}})V_1^T$

$$\begin{aligned} M &= U\Sigma V^T \\ &= \sigma_{11}U_1V_1^T \end{aligned}$$

# How to find if a 2D filter is separable?

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where  $\mathbf{\Sigma} = \text{diag}(\sigma_i)$

- [Step 2] Vertical and horizontal filters are:  $\sqrt{\sigma_1} \mathbf{u}_1$  and  $\sqrt{\sigma_1} \mathbf{v}_1^T$

# How to deal with missing (boundary values)

	?	?	?	
1	2	1	4	5
1	3	90	4	5
30	1	1	3	1
1	2	3	1	4
1	3	2	60	1

	0	0	0	
1	2	1	4	5
1	3	90	4	5
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1	2	3	1	4
1	3	2	60	1

Set missing value to a particular value, say 0

# How to deal with missing (boundary values)

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	2	1	4	
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1	3	90	4	5
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1	2	3	1	4
1	3	2	60	1

Repeat boundary entries

# How to deal with missing (boundary values)

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	3	2	60	
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Wrap around. Useful to create an infinite domain.

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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)

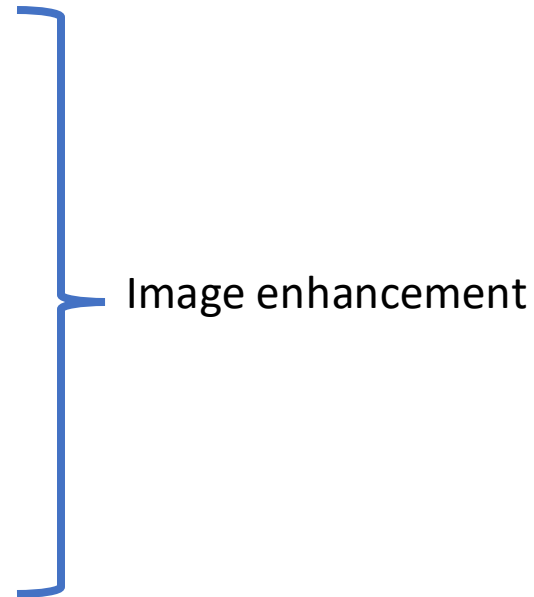
- Check out Linear Filtering notes [here](#)
- Cross-correlation and convolution
  - 1D and 2D
- Gaussian blurring
- Separable filters
- Dealing with missing values
- Linearity and shift-invariance
- Properties of convolution

# The story continues

- Digital cameras
  - Imaging pipeline
- Image formation
  - Pinholes, lenses, aperture, etc.
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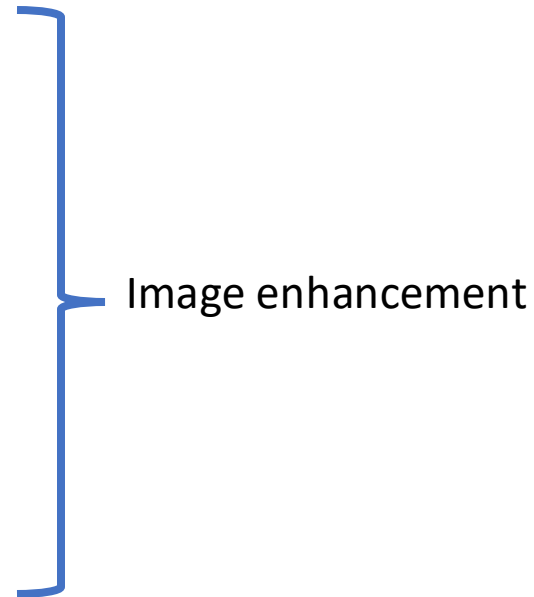
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# Local Image Patches: Why Do we Care?

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

# Summary

- Spatial processing
  - Linear filtering
    - Check out Linear Filtering notes [here](#)
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      - 1D and 2D
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