

# ELEN4020 Laboratory 1: Multidimensional array analysis

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**Abstract:** Rank 2 and rank 3 tensor addition and multiplication procedures are discussed. By initially presenting algorithms to perform rank 2 procedures, it becomes clear that those of rank 3 are extensions of the traditional methods used to achieve 2-dimensional addition and multiplication.

**Key words:** Multidimensional tensor, addition, multiplication, pseudo-code, C++

## 1 INTRODUCTION

To implement 3-dimensional (3-D) array multiplication, an investigation of tensor operations is performed. Tensor operation discussion begins with tensors of rank 2. The pseudo-code developed to achieve rank 2 tensor procedures is presented.

2-Dimensional (2-D) tensor addition is elaborated on in Section 2, while multiplication of 2-D arrays is discussed in Section 3. Using the basis of rank 2 tensors, rank 3 tensor operations are demonstrated, and the pseudo-code developed to implement the procedures is presented. 3-D array addition and multiplication are illustrated in Sections 4 and 5, respectively. The pseudo-code of each procedure is used to produce C++ code from which to perform all multidimensional array operations.

## 2 2-DIMENSIONAL TENSOR ADDITION

The addition of two 2-D tensors is congruent to addition of two 2-D matrices. Therefore, element-by-element addition is required to achieve the output 2-D matrix, as shown in Equation 1 [1]. Algorithm 1 displays the pseudo-code used to calculate the addition of two  $N \times N$  matrices.

$$C_{ij} = A_{ij} + B_{ij} \quad (1)$$

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**Algorithm 1: rank2TensorAdd** finds the addition of two  $N \times N$  matrices

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**Input:** Three  $N \times N$  constant integer arrays:  $a[N][N]$ ,  $b[N][N]$  and  $c[N][N]$

**Output:** void

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1  $N \leftarrow \text{size}(a)$ 
2 for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
3   for  $j \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
4      $c[i][j] = a[i][j] + b[i][j]$ 
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## 3 2-DIMENSIONAL TENSOR MULTIPLICATION

The multiplication of rank 2 tensors is equivalent to 2-D matrix multiplication, performed by taking the dot product of each row and column, respectively. This is displayed in Equation 2 [2]. Algorithm 2 shows the pseudo-code used to multiply two  $N \times N$  matrices.

$$C_{ij} = \sum_k A_{ik} \times B_{kj} \quad (2)$$

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**Algorithm 2: rank2TensorMulti** finds the multiplication of two  $N \times N$  matrices

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**Input:** Three  $N \times N$  constant integer arrays:  $a[N][N]$ ,  $b[N][N]$  and  $c[N][N]$

**Output:** void

```
1  $N \leftarrow \text{size}(a)$ 
2 for  $k \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
3   for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
4     for  $j \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
5        $c[i][j] = c[i][j] + a[i][j] \times b[i][j]$ 
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## 4 3-DIMENSIONAL TENSOR ADDITION

Rank 2 tensor addition, discussed in Section 2, is used as a basis for 3-D array addition. Algorithm 1 is extended to produce Algorithm 3, applicable for rank 3 tensor addition. When a third rank is incorporated, array addition follows the same procedure as presented in Algorithm 1, however, the additional rank corresponds to an additional vertex of summation.

Element-by-element addition is implemented in a similar fashion to the 2-D array procedure. The difference comes from the inclusion of the additional dimension. Figure 1 graphically depicts 3-D tensor addition, while Algorithm 3 shows the pseudo-code used to sum two  $N \times N \times N$  matrices.

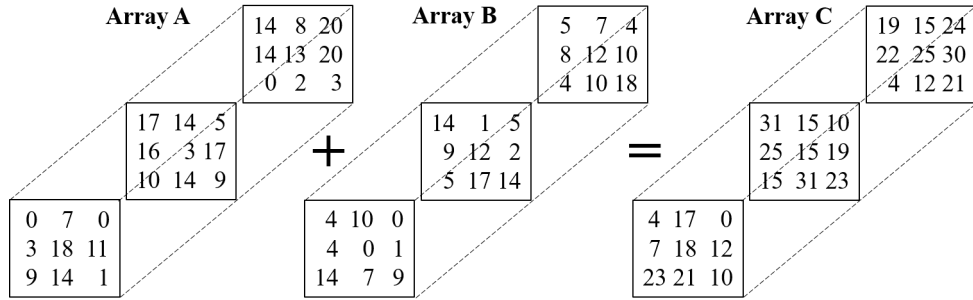


Figure 1 : Visualisation of rank 3 tensor addition

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**Algorithm 3: rank3TensorAdd** finds the addition of two  $N \times N \times N$  matrices

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**Input:** Three  $N \times N \times N$  constant integer arrays:  $a[N][N][N]$ ,  $b[N][N][N]$  and  $c[N][N][N]$

**Output:** void

```
1  $N \leftarrow \text{size}(a)$ 
2 for  $k \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
3   for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
4     for  $j \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
5        $c[i][j][k] = a[i][j][k] + b[i][j][k]$ 
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## 5 3-DIMENSIONAL TENSOR MULTIPLICATION

The multiplication of two 3-D arrays (rank 3 tensor contraction) uses 2-D matrix multiplication as a basis. The  $i^{\text{th}}$  row-plane of array A and the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column-plane of array B are multiplied using traditional 2-D matrix multiplication shown in Algorithm 2. The result is the  $k^{\text{th}}$  layer-plane of array C. Algorithm 4 provides the pseudo-code used to multiply two  $N \times N \times N$  arrays. Figure 2 illustrates the implemented algorithm.

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**Algorithm 4: rank3TensorMulti** finds the multiplication of two  $N \times N \times N$  matrices

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**Input:** Three  $N \times N \times N$  constant integer arrays:  $a[N][N][N]$ ,  $b[N][N][N]$  and  $c[N][N][N]$

**Output:** void

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1  $N \leftarrow \text{size}(a)$ 
2  $\text{temp\_c} = \text{zeros}(N, N)$ 
3 for  $k \leftarrow 0$  to  $N - 1$  do
4    $\text{temp\_a} = a[k][:][:]$ 
5    $\text{temp\_b} = b[:,k][:]$ 
6    $\text{rank2TensorMulti}(\text{temp\_a}[N][N], \text{temp\_b}[N][N], \text{temp\_c}[N][N])$ 
7    $c[:, :][k] = \text{temp\_c}$ 

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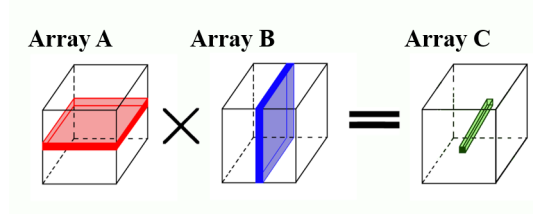


Figure 2 : Visualisation of rank 3 tensor multiplication

## 6 IMPLEMENTATION

The algorithms presented in Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 are implemented using C++. The generated code performs as detailed by the pseudo-code. One .cpp file exists. It is accessible via the public GitHub repository found through link [https://github.com/IsabelTollman/ELEN4020A\\_Group7/tree/Code](https://github.com/IsabelTollman/ELEN4020A_Group7/tree/Code) under the ‘Code’ branch and within the *Code* folder.

## 7 CONCLUSIONS

The formation of rank 3 tensor operations is based on the widely known traditional rules of rank 2 tensors. Rank 3 tensor addition requires a further iteration than 2-D tensor addition. 3-D by 3-D array multiplication uses the procedure of rank 2 tensor multiplication while incorporating the additional dimension through an extra iteration.

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