

Matrix and Array Math

Scalar

Matrix

3D Array

4D Array

Array arithmetic

Matrix arithmetic

Dot product

Cross product

Convolution

Matrix and array math underlie digital image processing.

To understand the math we need, you need to learn several concepts and operations.

Most of the concepts are surprisingly easy.

You'll learn how to use these ideas later, and how they are implemented in various programs (like matlab), later.

What's a **matrix**?

A **matrix** is a rectangular table of values

1	2	3
3	5	6
7	9	2

with rows

1	2	3
3	5	6
7	9	2

and
columns.

A matrix with m rows
and n columns is called
an m -by- n matrix
(written $m \quad n$)

and m and n are called
its **dimensions**.

The dimensions of a
matrix are always
given

with the number of
rows first,

then the number of
columns.

$$3 \times 4$$

1	2	4	1
5	6	7	1
3	3	1	2

$$4 \times 3$$

3	44	6
18	7	0.5
5	11	6
0	1	2

But, why do we care?

Because a matrix can be (and is) used to represent an image:

1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0



What's a **vector**?

*A vector is a row
or column
of numbers.*

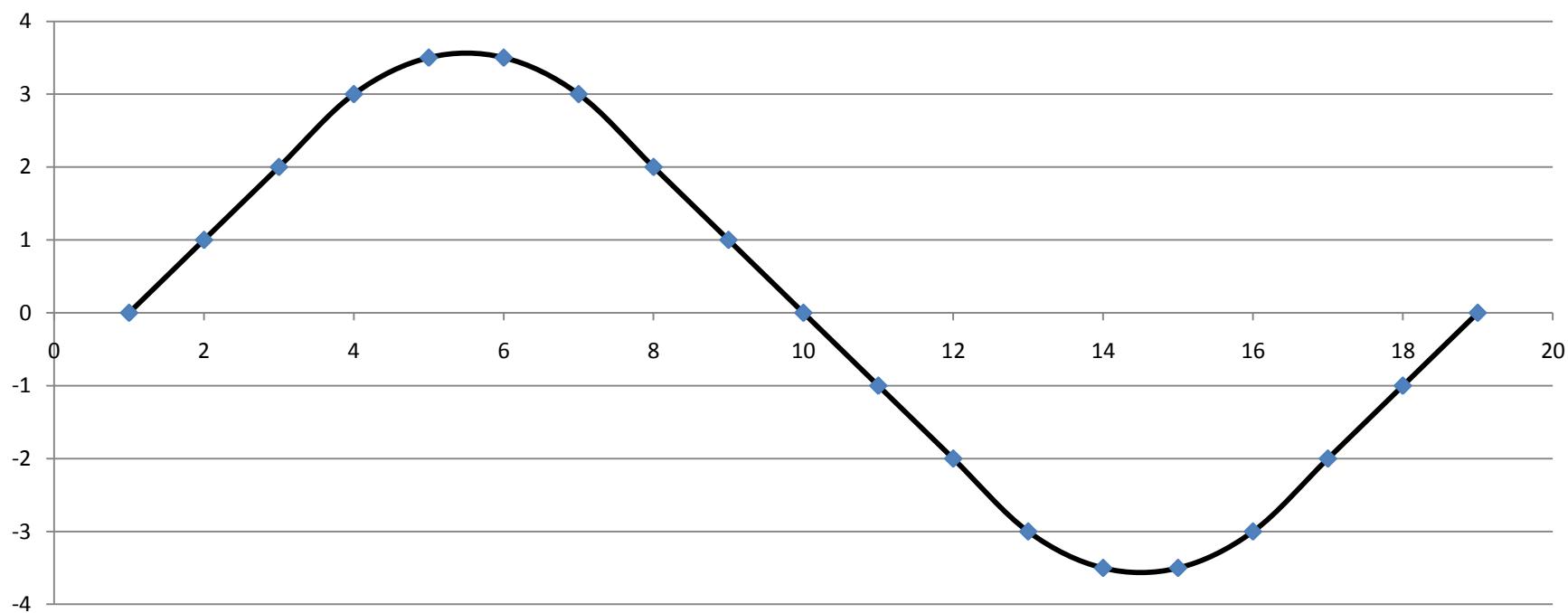
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3
4
2
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And, what do we do with a
vector?

A vector can be used to
represent a wave.

0	1	2	3	3.5	3.5	3	2	1	0	-1	-2	-3	-3.5	-3.5	-3	-2	-1	0
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An array is a more general concept than a matrix.

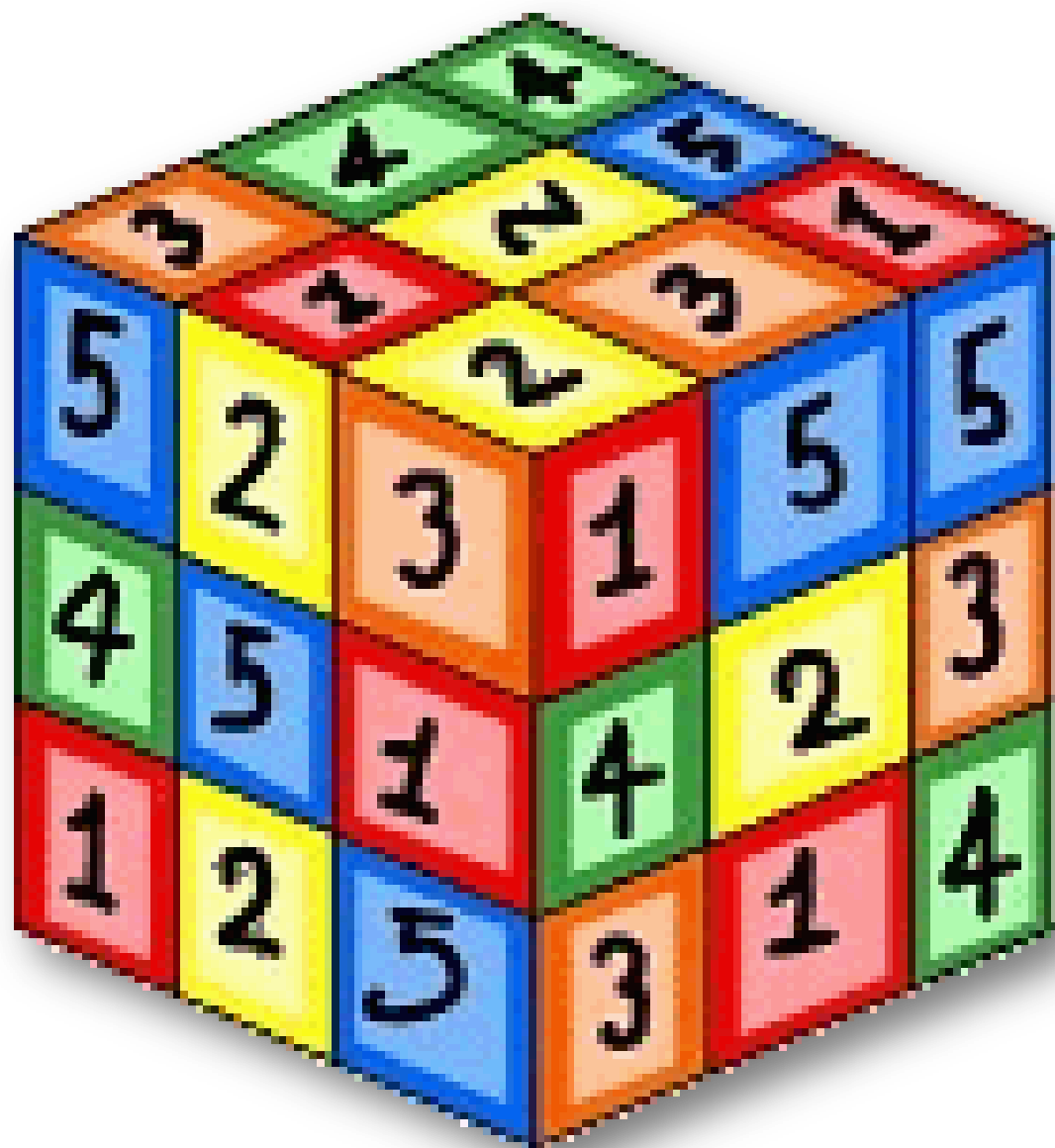
(Specifically, an **array** is a data structure consisting of a group of elements that are accessed by indexing.)

For example,
a matrix is a 2D array.

...and a vector is a
1D array.

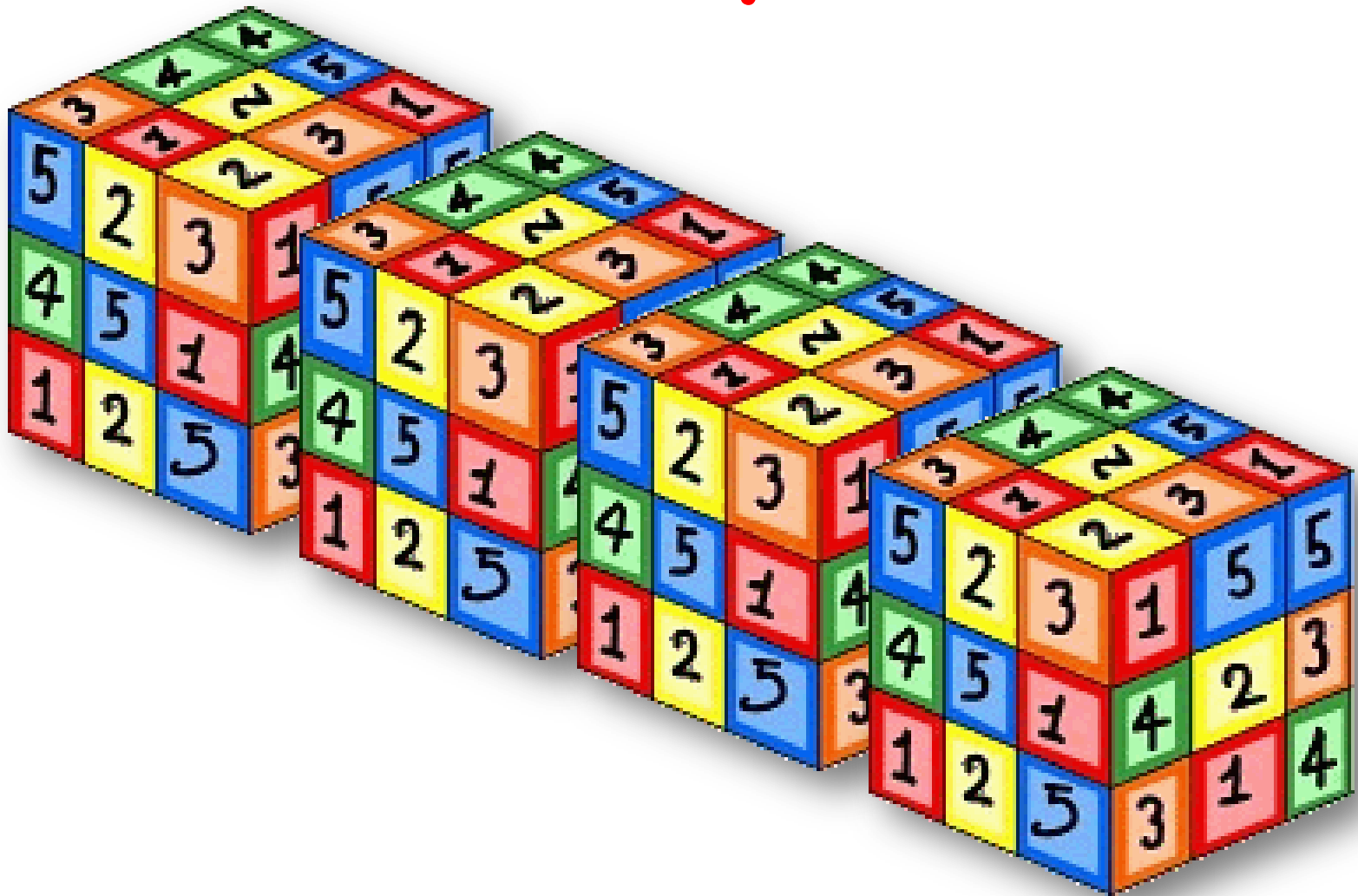
An array can have any number
of dimensions.

In image processing, we often
work with **3D arrays**,



because a 3D array can
represent a volume.

And we work with **4D**
arrays:



because a 4D array can represent, for example, a volume through time.

Scalars are individual
numbers:

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Let's Review

Scalar

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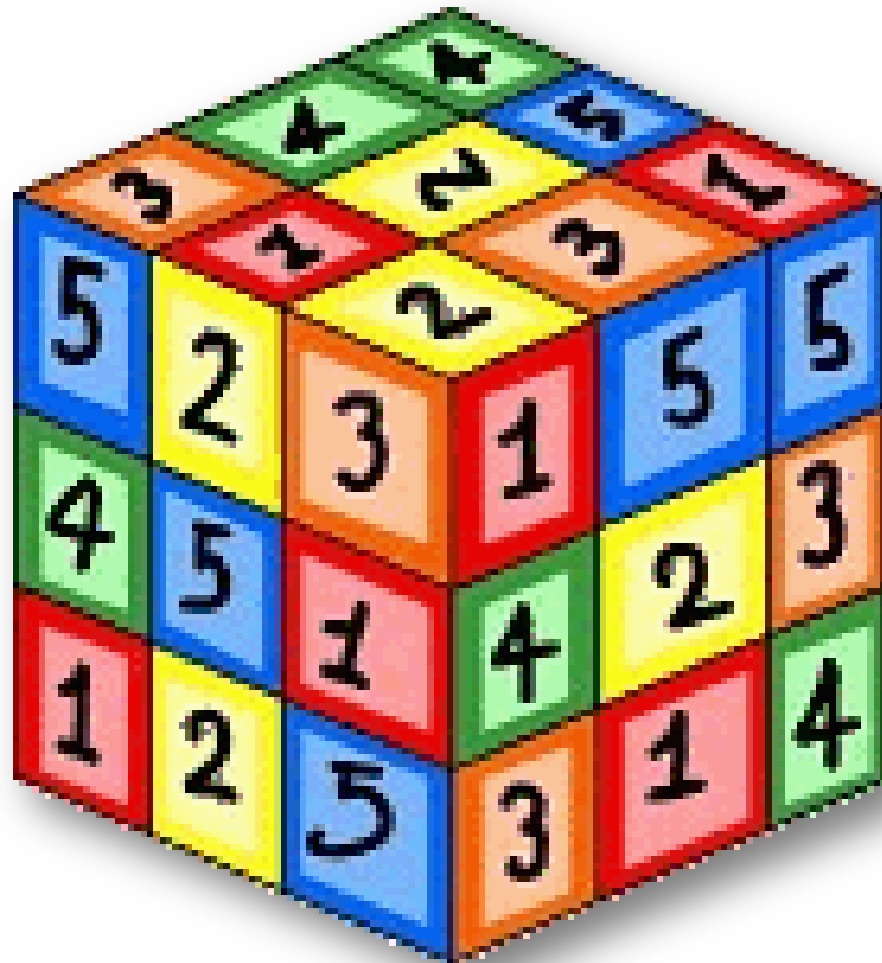
Vector



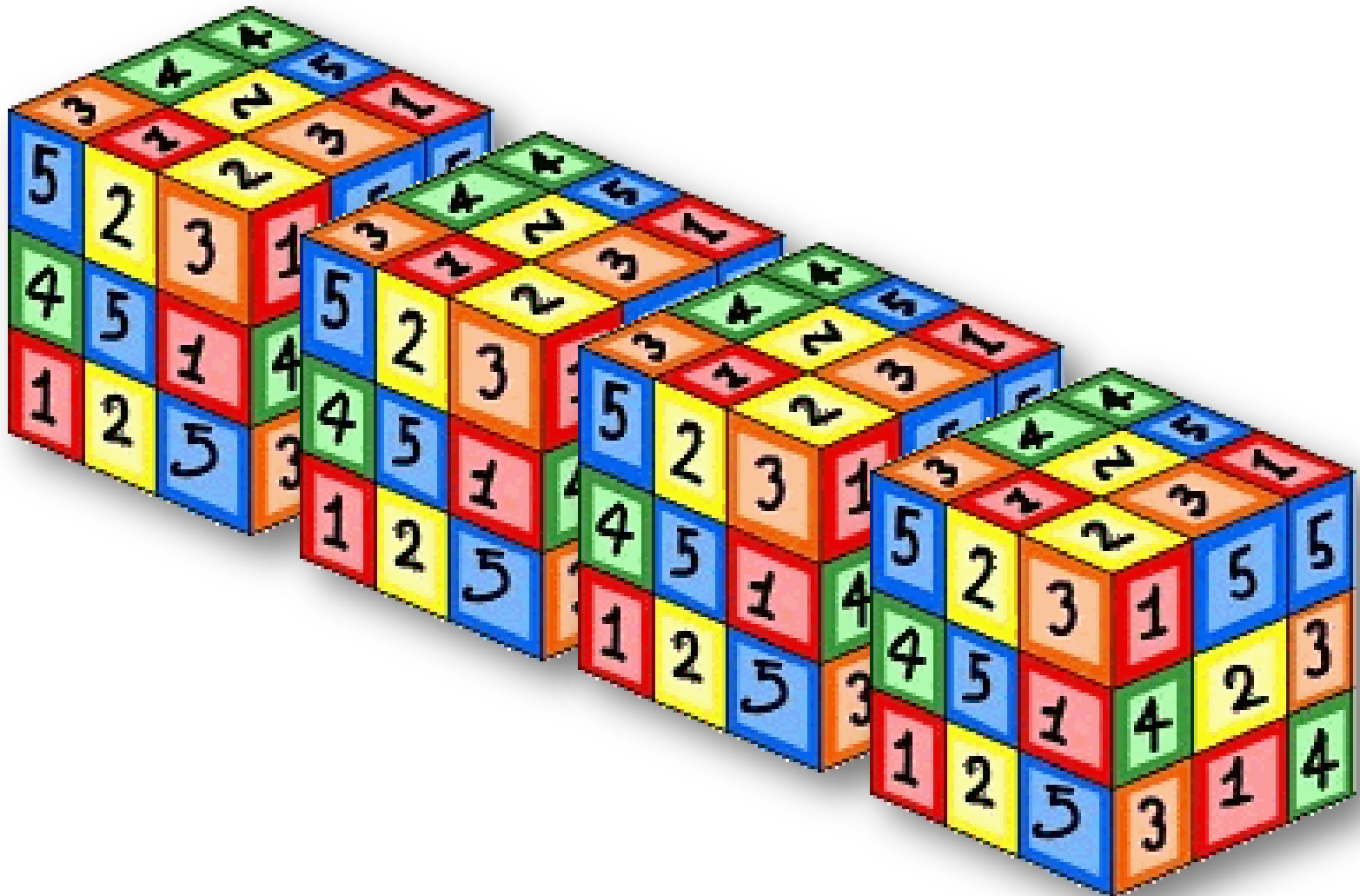
Matrix

1	2	3
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3D Array



4D Array





Matrix arithmetic operations
are defined by the rules of
linear algebra.

Array arithmetic operations
are carried out element by
element,

and can be used with
multidimensional arrays.

All the major image processing programs have some kind of "image math" that uses array operations.

Array Addition:

Array A + Array B
adds A and B,
element by element.

A

0	0	0
2	1	0
6	7	0

+

B

7	6	5
0	3	2
0	0	0

=

C

7	6	5
2	4	2
6	7	0

A and B must be the same
size,

A

0	0	0
2	1	0
6	7	0

+

B

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

=

?	?	?
?	?	?
?	?	?

...unless one is a scalar.

A scalar can be added to a
matrix of any size.

A

0	0	0
2	1	0
6	7	0

B

+ 4 =

C

4	4	4
6	5	4
10	11	4

Array Subtraction:

Array A - Array B
subtracts B from A,
element by element.

A

0	0	0
2	1	0
6	7	0

B

7	6	5
0	3	2
0	0	0

-

=

C

-7	-6	-5
2	-2	-2
6	7	0

A and B must be the same
size,

...unless one is a scalar.

And a scalar can be
subtracted from a matrix of
any size.

A

0	0	0
2	1	0
6	7	0

B

- 4 =

C

-4	-4	-4
-2	-3	-4
2	3	-4

Array Multiplication:

Array A .* Array B
multiplies A and B,
element by element.

A

0	0	0
2	1	0
6	7	0

. *****

B

7	6	5
0	3	2
0	0	0

=

0	0	0
0	3	0
0	0	0

A and B must be the same size, unless one is a scalar.

A matrix of any size can be multiplied by a scalar.

A

0	0	0
2	1	0
6	7	0

B

. * 4 =

C

0	0	0
8	4	0
24	28	0

Array Multiplication is
sometimes called the
'dot product'

to differentiate it from
matrix multiplication.

Matrix multiplication
(sometimes called the
"cross-product")

multiplies each
element in A ,
by every element in B

Cross Product

3
4
5

A

*

1	2	6
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B

=

3*1	3*2	3*6
4*1	4*2	4*6
5*1	5*2	5*6

i.e.,



3	6	18
4	8	24
5	10	30

Array Division is
element by element division of
Array A by Array B

A

2	4	6
1	3	2
6	8	0

./

B

1	2	3
2	3	2
4	1	6

=

2	2	2
0.5	1	1
1.5	8	0

Again, A and B must have the same size, unless B is a scalar.

A

2	4	6
2	1	0
6	7	3

B

./ 2 =

C

1	2	3
1	0.5	0
3	3.5	1.5

By far, the most useful array
operations in day to day
imaging are...

addition,

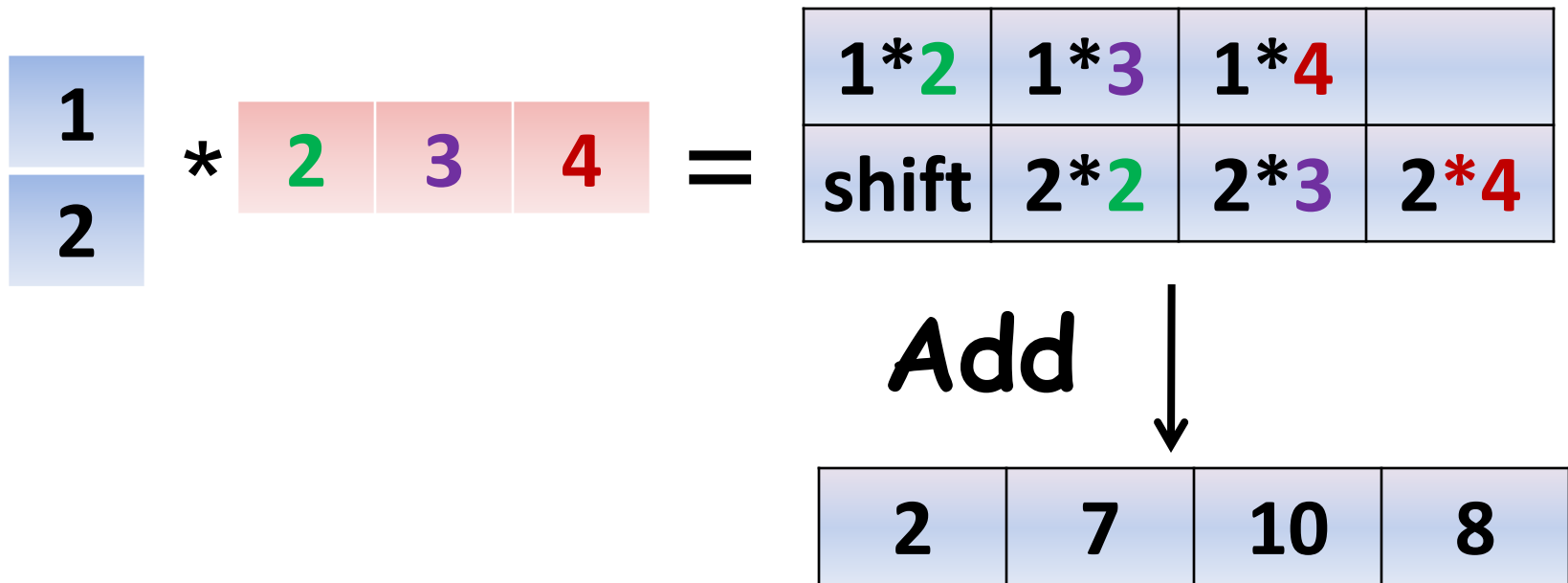
subtraction, &

dot-product multiplication

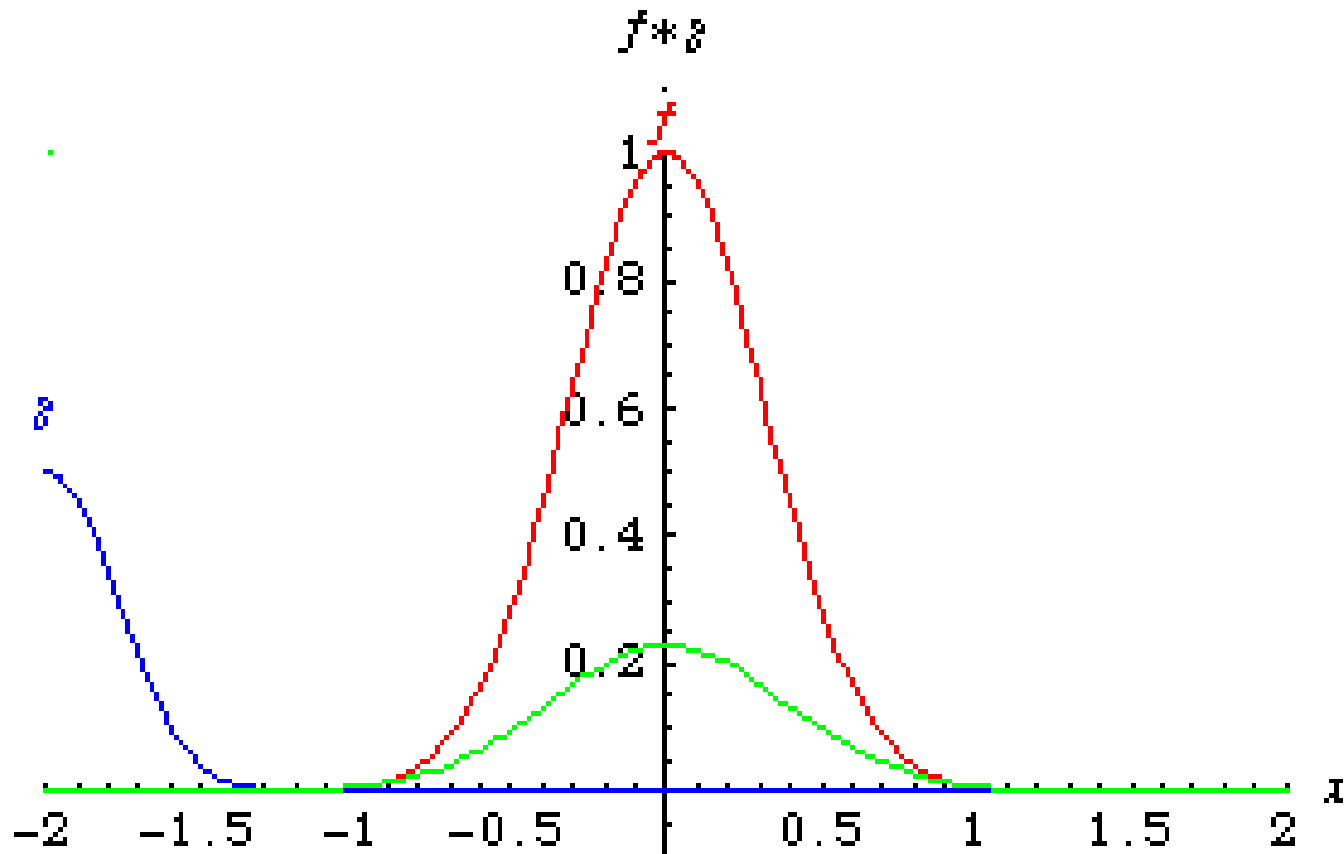
Another important matrix
operation to be familiar with
is **convolution**

Convolution uses multiplication, shifting and addition to blend two functions (or waves) into a third.

Convolution



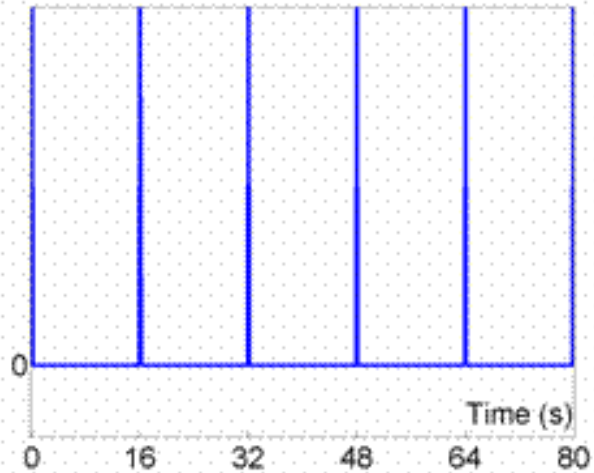
Convolution of Gaussians:
green is the result of
convolving red and blue



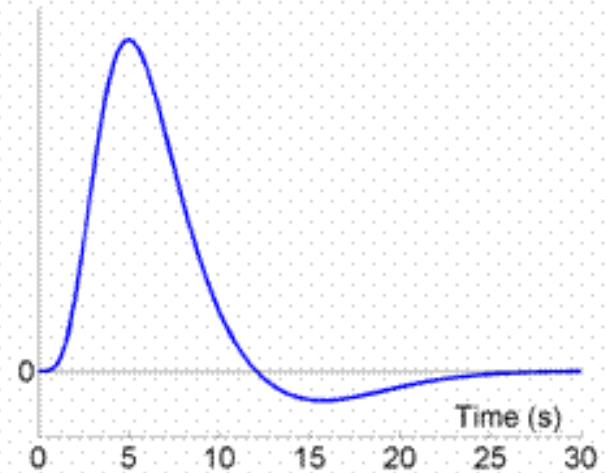
Convolution is used extensively
by neuroimaging software,

e.g., Convolution combines fmri stimuli with the hemodynamic response to model the expected waveform

Stimulus

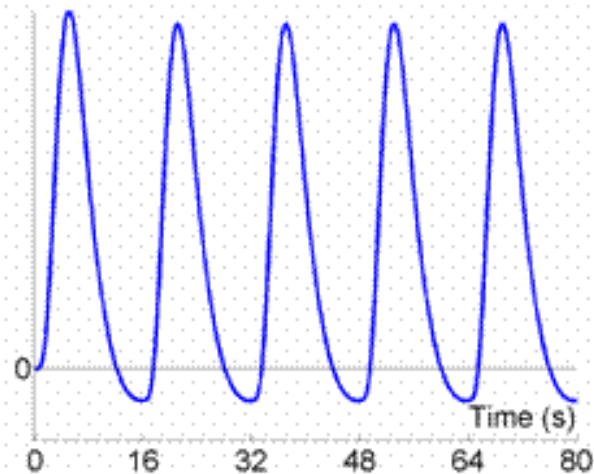


Hemodynamic Response



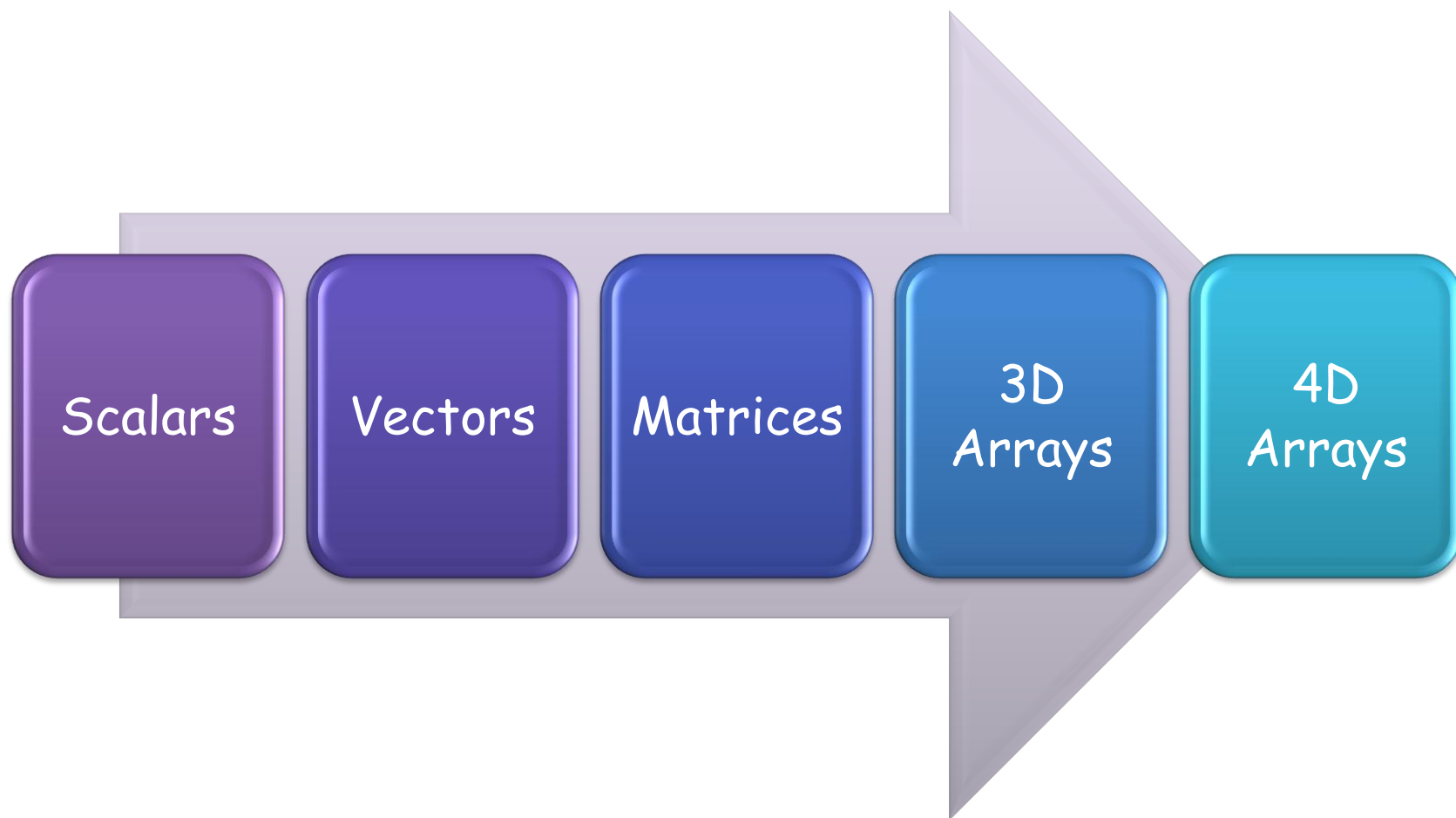
Convolved model

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Summary

We examined data structures
of increasing complexity:



We distinguished array arithmetic (which works element by element)

from matrix arithmetic (based
on linear algebra).

*We examined several array
operations*

Addition

Subtraction

Multiplication

Division

We also examined matrix
multiplication

and convolution

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Cross Product

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4
5

A

*

1	2	6
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B

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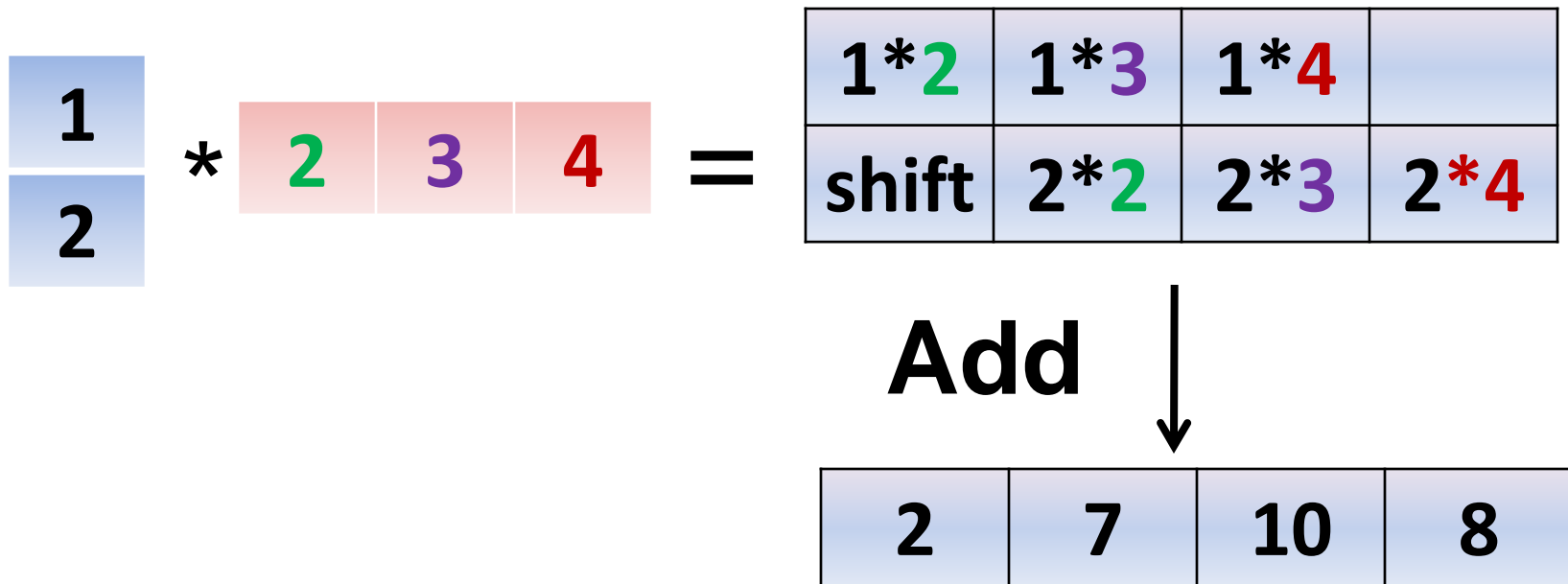
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4*1	4*2	4*6
5*1	5*2	5*6

i.e.,

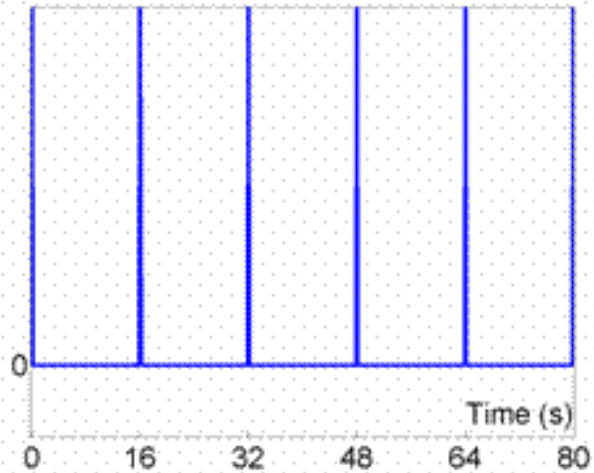


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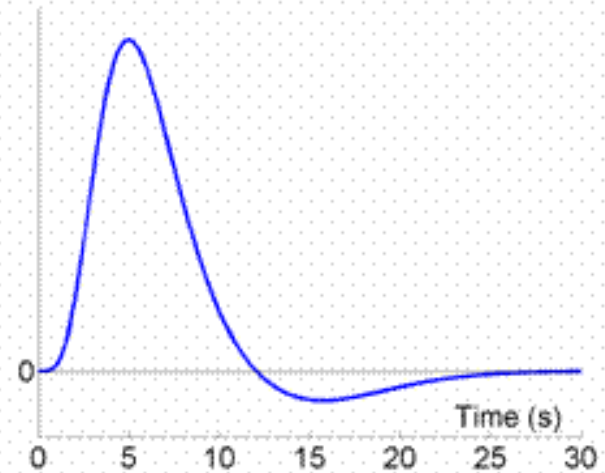
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