

# Tensor Methods: Introduction

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# Outline

- Linear algebra refresher
- From linear to multi-linear algebra
- Tensor decomposition
- Low-rank tensor regression
- Combining tensor methods and deep learning

# Linear Algebra refresher

$$\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,p}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

- Transposition:  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{p,m} \rightarrow c_{i,j} = a_{j,i}$
- Addition:  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,p} \rightarrow c_{i,j} = a_{i,j} + b_{i,j}$
- Scalar multiplication:  $\mathbf{C} = \alpha \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,p} \rightarrow c_{i,j} = \alpha a_{i,j}$

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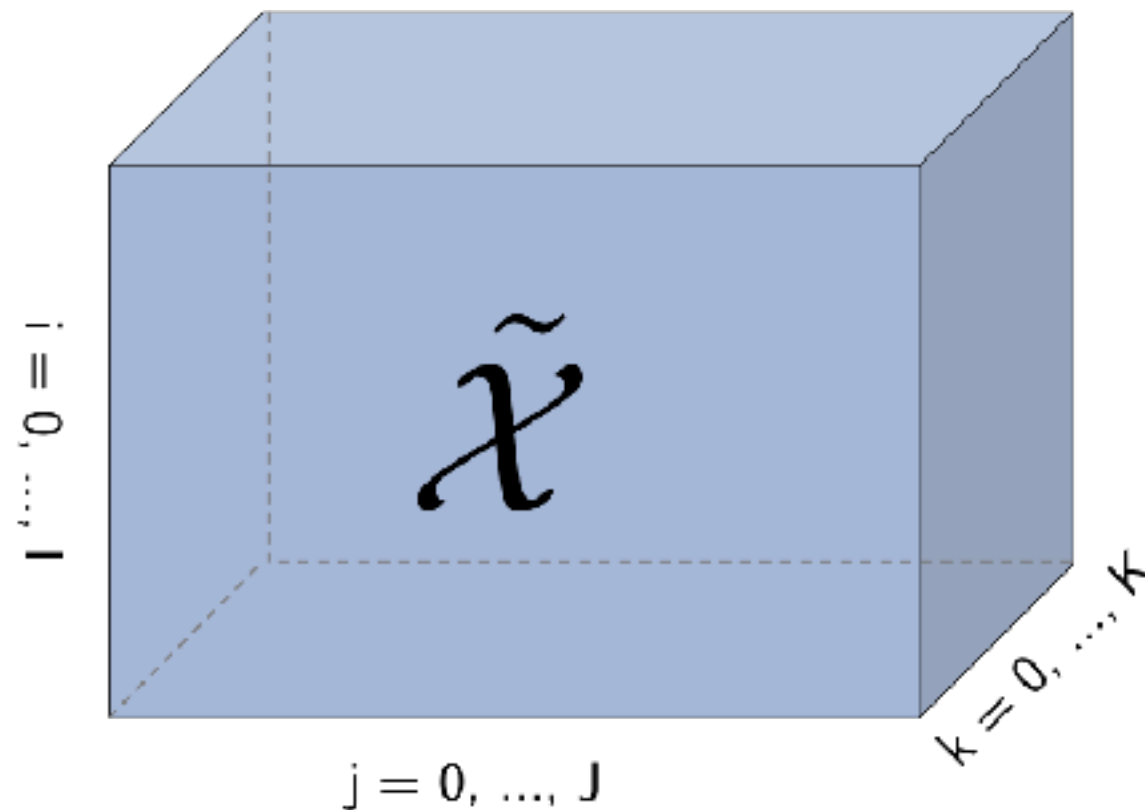
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Diagram illustrating the row-column dot product for the first term of the matrix multiplication. A red circle with an 'x' is connected by arrows to the first row of the first matrix and the first column of the second matrix, indicating the dot product operation.



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- Order of a tensor = number of dimensions
- First order: vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_0}$
- Second order: matrix  $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_0, I_1}$
- $N^{\text{th}}$  order,  $N > 2$ : higher order tensor  $\hat{\mathcal{X}} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N}$
- Mode = dimension (0 to N, e.g. rows, columns, ...)

# Indexing a tensor

$$\hat{\mathcal{X}} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N}$$

- element  $(i_0, i_1, \dots, i_N)$

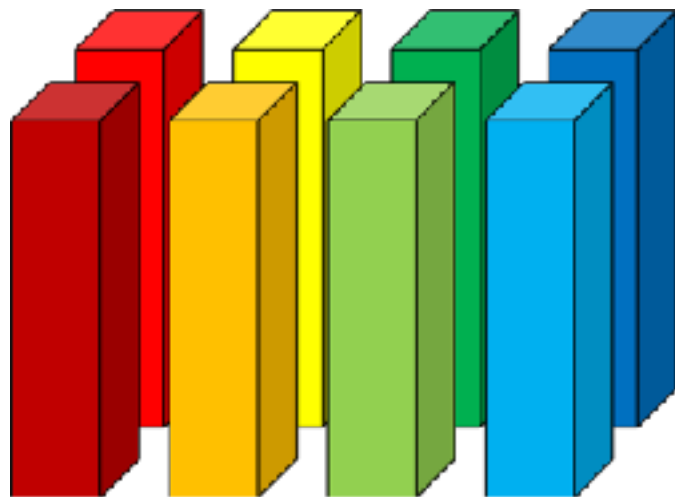
$$\hat{\mathcal{X}}_{i_0, i_1, \dots, i_N} \text{ **or** } \hat{\mathcal{X}}(i_0, i_1, \dots, i_N)$$

- Corresponds to viewing tensor as an array in  $\mathbb{R}^{I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N}$

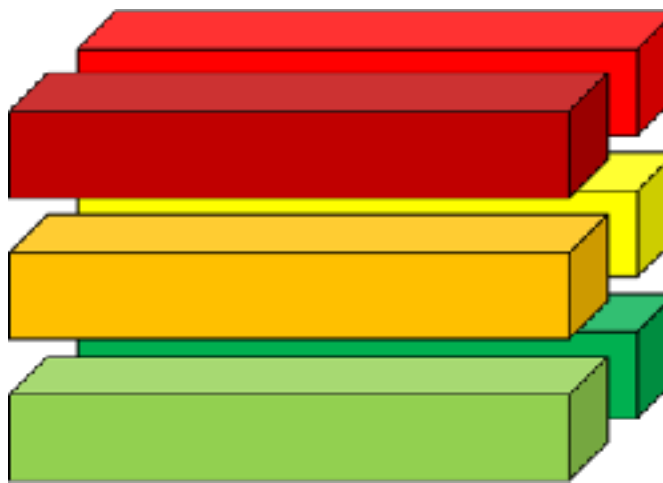
or a function  $\mathbb{R}^{I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

# Fibers

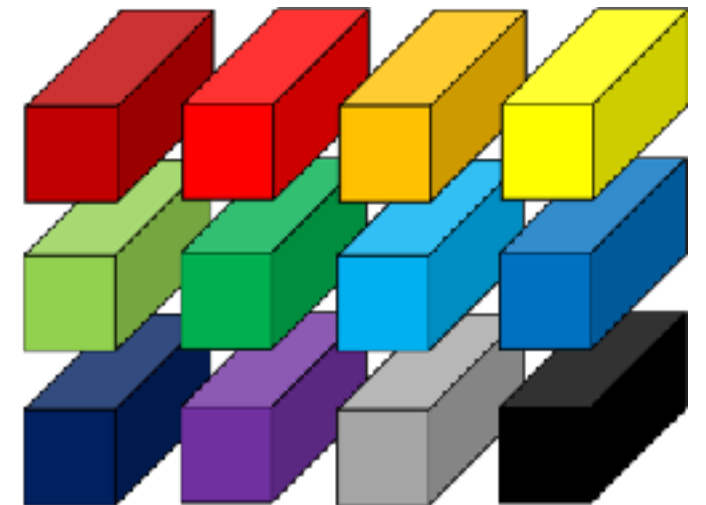
- Fibers = generalisation of the concept of rows and columns for matrices
- Obtained by fixing all indices but one



**Mode-0 fibers**  
(columns)



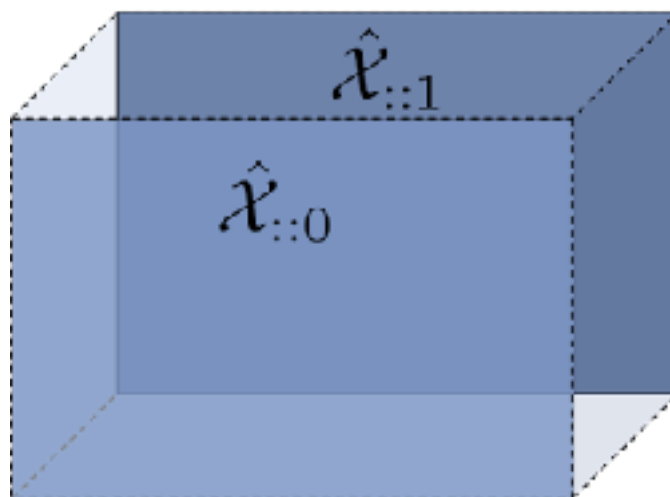
**Mode-1 fibers**  
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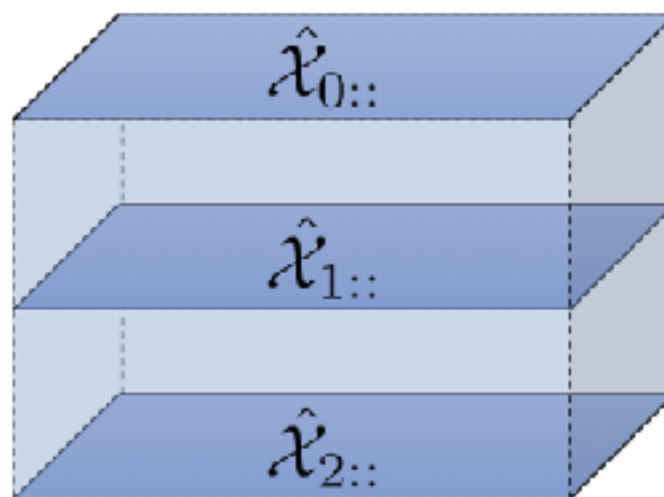
**Mode-2 fibers**  
(tubes)

# Slices

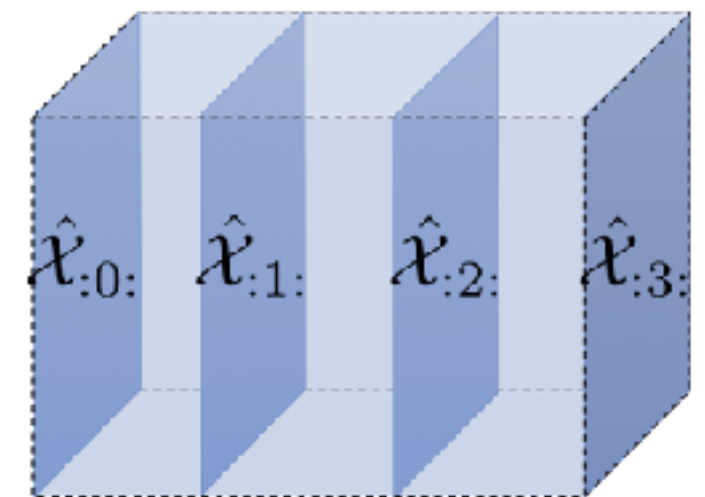
- Slices are obtained by fixing all indices but 2
- Useful to make examples by stacking matrices



**Frontal slices**



**Horizontal slices**



**Lateral slices**

# Slices

- A tensor can be represented in multiple ways. The simplest is the slice representation through multiple matrices.
- Let's take for this example the tensor  $\hat{\mathcal{X}}$  defined by its frontal slices:

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# Vectorisation

- Linear transformation (isomorphism) that maps the elements of a tensor to a vector:

$$vec: \mathbb{R}^{I_0, \dots, I_N} \rightarrow (I_0 \times \dots \times I_N)$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{X}} \mapsto vec(\hat{\mathcal{X}})$$

- Maps element  $(i_0, i_1, \dots, i_N)$  of  $\hat{\mathcal{X}}$  to element  $j$  of  $vec(\hat{\mathcal{X}})$  with

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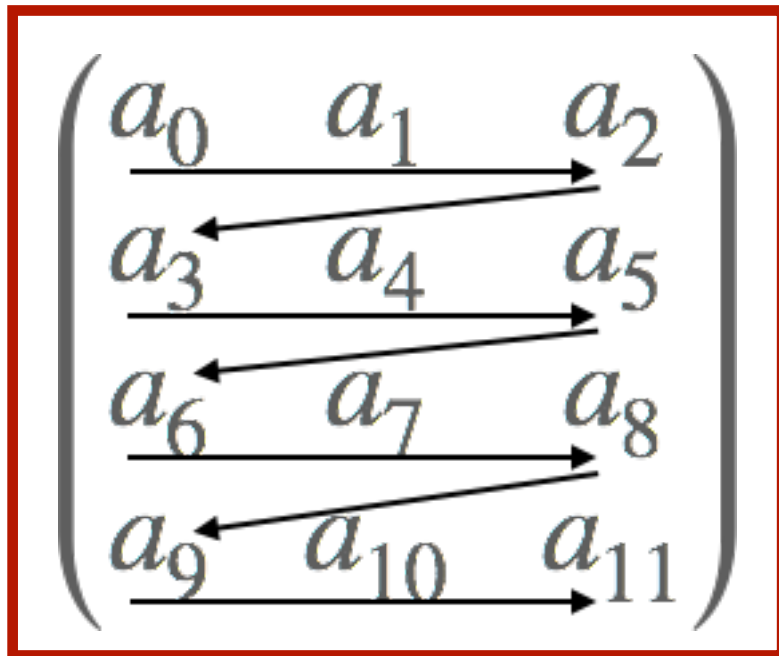
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$$\mathbf{A} = \overset{I_0}{\begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 & \textcircled{a_5} \\ a_6 & a_7 & a_8 \\ a_9 & a_{10} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}} \quad \overset{I_1}{\text{---}} \quad \mathbf{A}_{1,2} = vec(\mathbf{A})_{1 \times I_0 + 2} = vec(\mathbf{A})_5$$

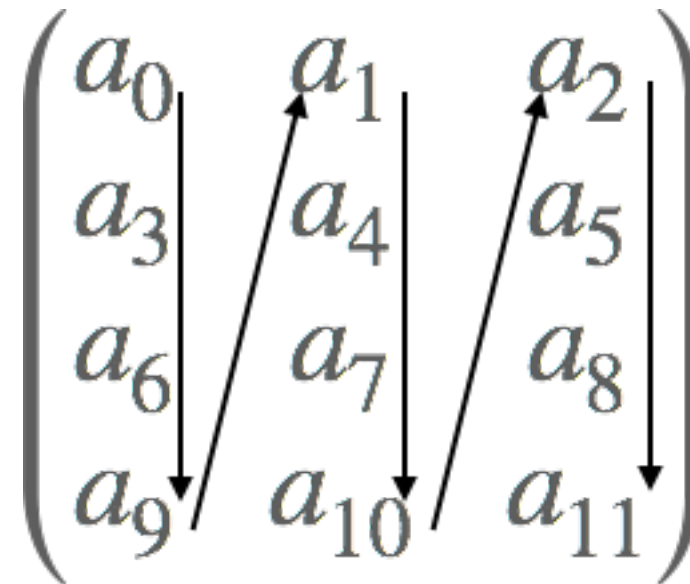
$$vec(\mathbf{A}) = (a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, \textcircled{a_5}, a_6, a_7, a_8, a_9, a_{10}, a_{11})^T$$

# Vectorisation

- There are several definitions of vectorization:



**C-ordering**  
(default for NumPy,  
PyTorch, etc in Python)



**Fortran-ordering**  
Matlab's default

- Just be consistent (and adapt your formulas!)

# Kronecker product

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# Useful properties

$$\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,n}, \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{p,n}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m,k}$$

$$\text{vec}(\mathbf{XB}) = (\mathbf{I}_n \otimes \mathbf{B}^\top) \text{vec}(\mathbf{X})$$

$$\text{vec}(\mathbf{AX}) = (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{I}_m) \text{vec}(\mathbf{X})$$

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# Mode-n unfolding

- Read the tensor as a matrix by re-arranging the fibers:

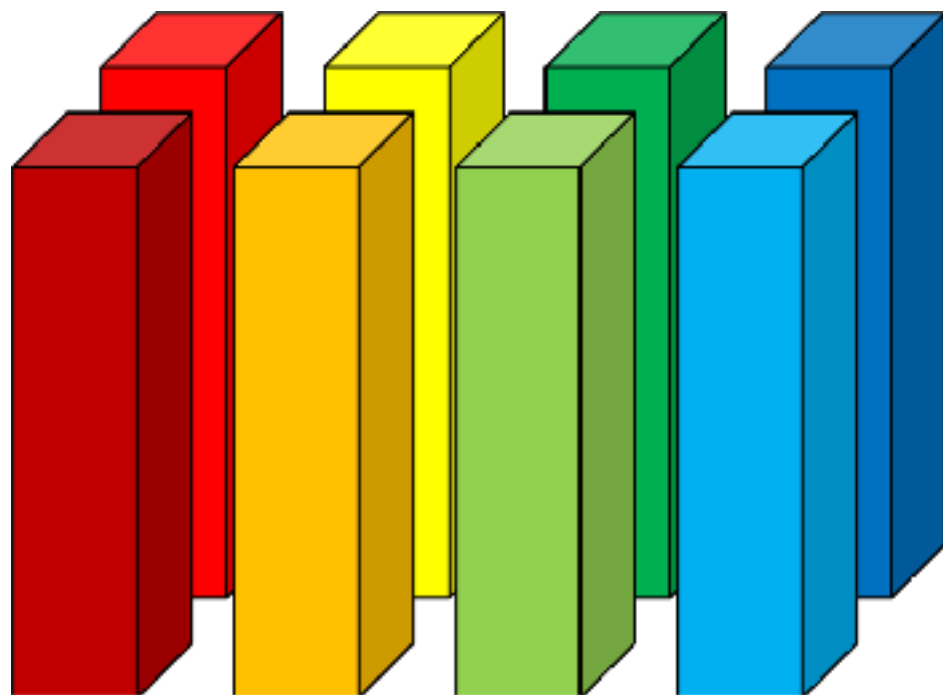
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{R}^{I_0, \dots, I_N} &\rightarrow (I_n, M) \\ \hat{\mathcal{X}} &\mapsto \hat{\mathcal{X}}_{[n]} \end{aligned} \qquad M = \prod_{\substack{k=0, \\ k \neq n}}^N I_k$$

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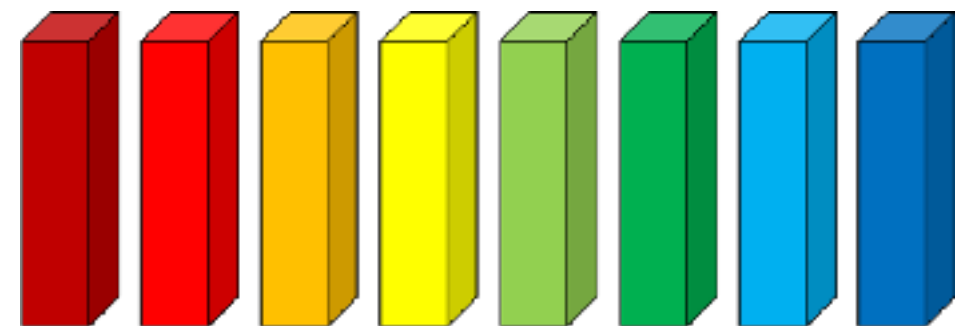
# Example: mode-0 unfolding

Mode-0 fibers



Size (3, 4, 2)

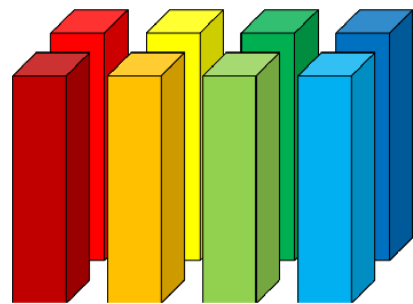
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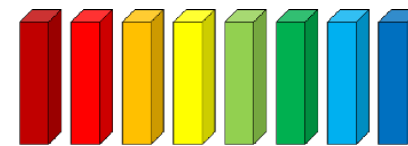
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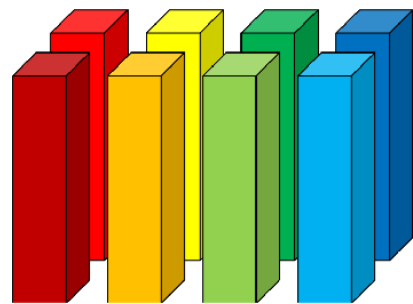
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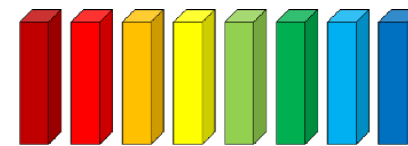
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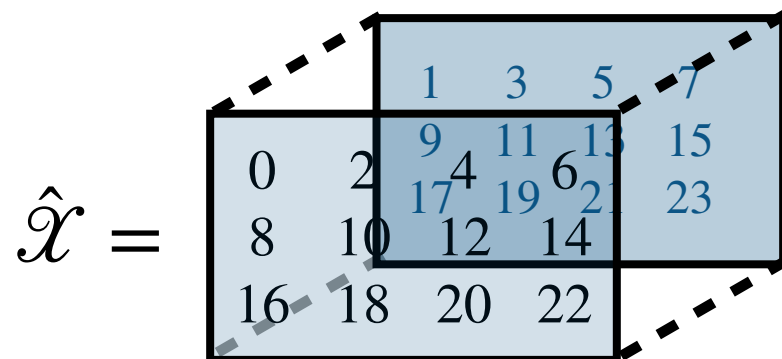
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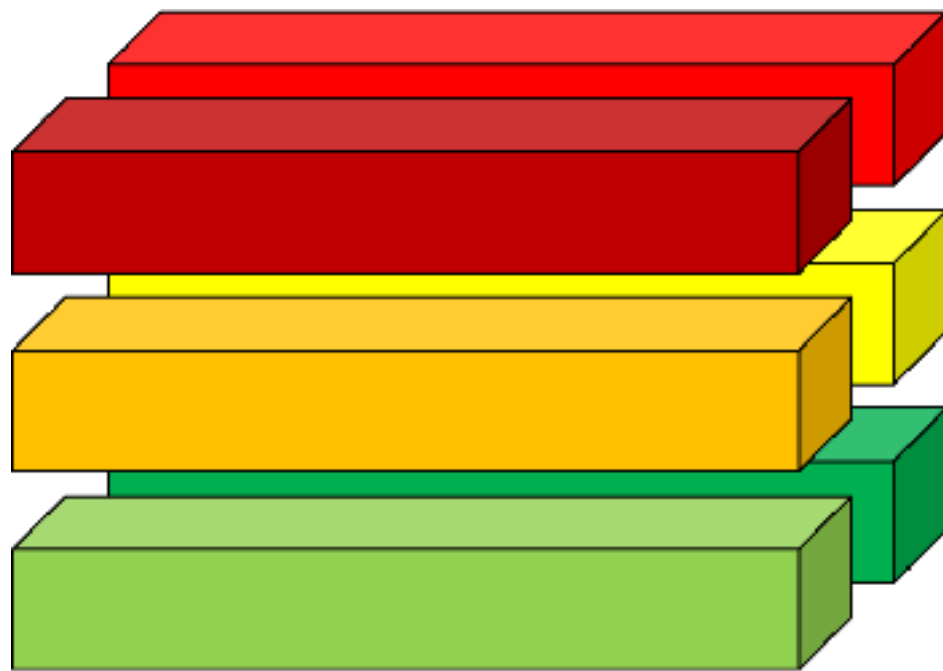
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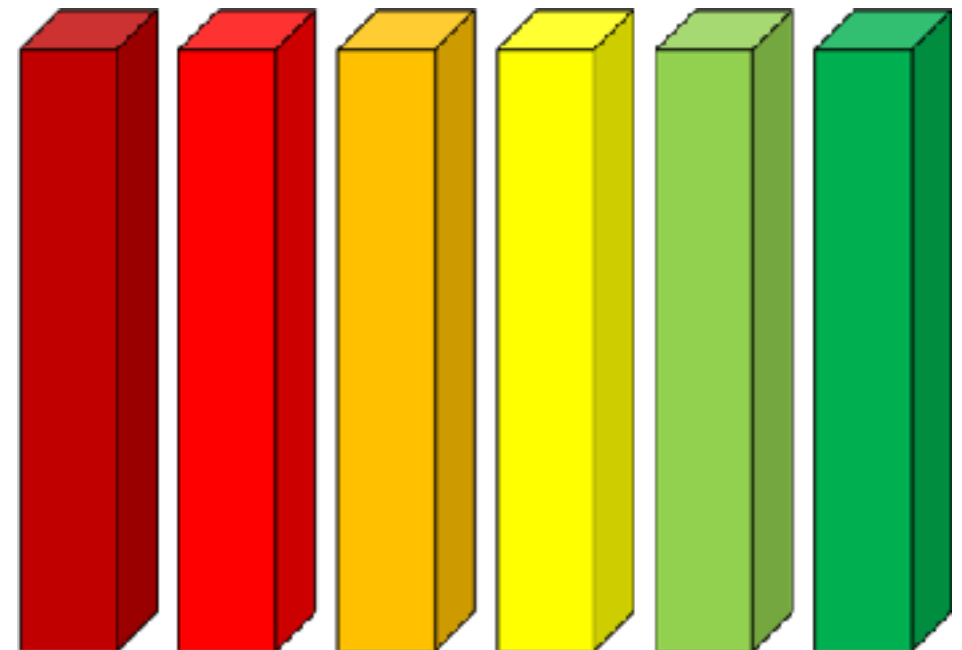
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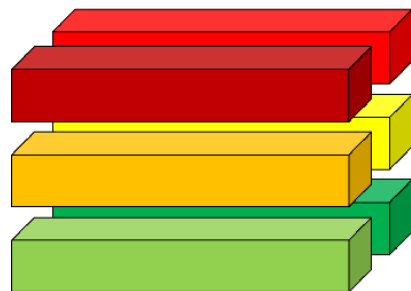
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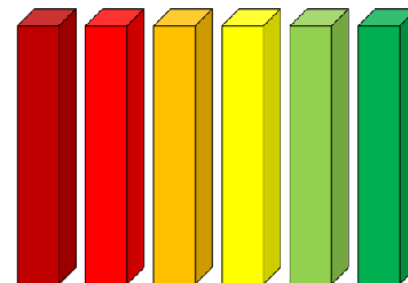
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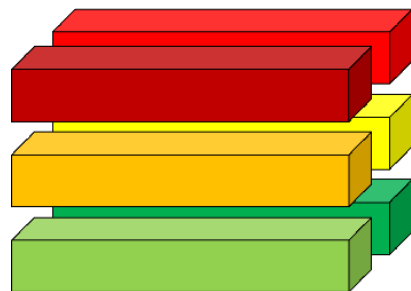
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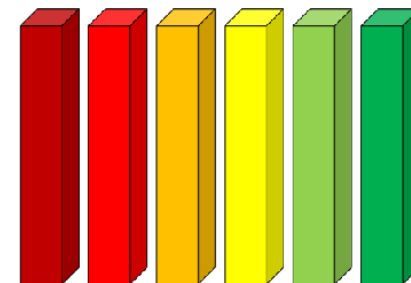
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**Mode-1 fibers**



**Size (3, 4, 2)**

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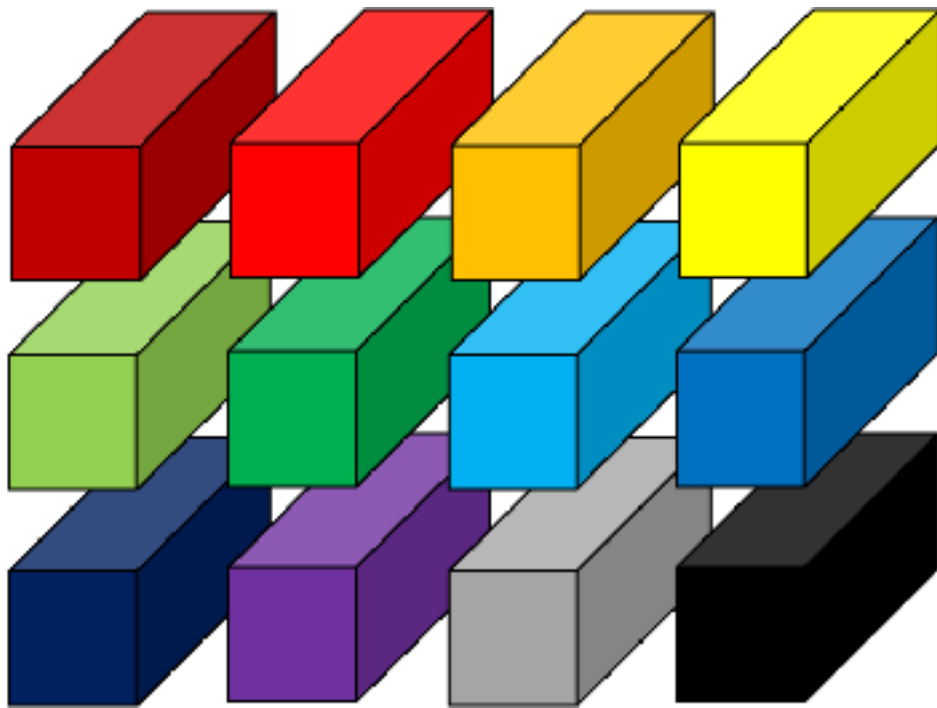
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# Example: mode-2 unfolding

Mode-2 fibers



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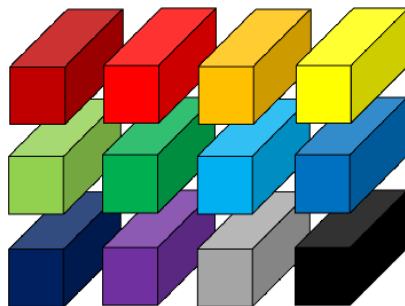
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Size (2, 3\*4)

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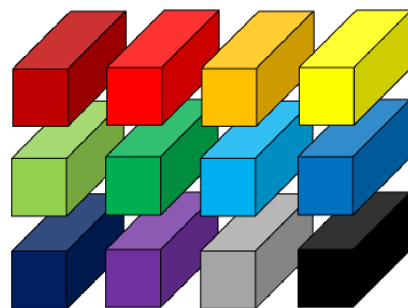
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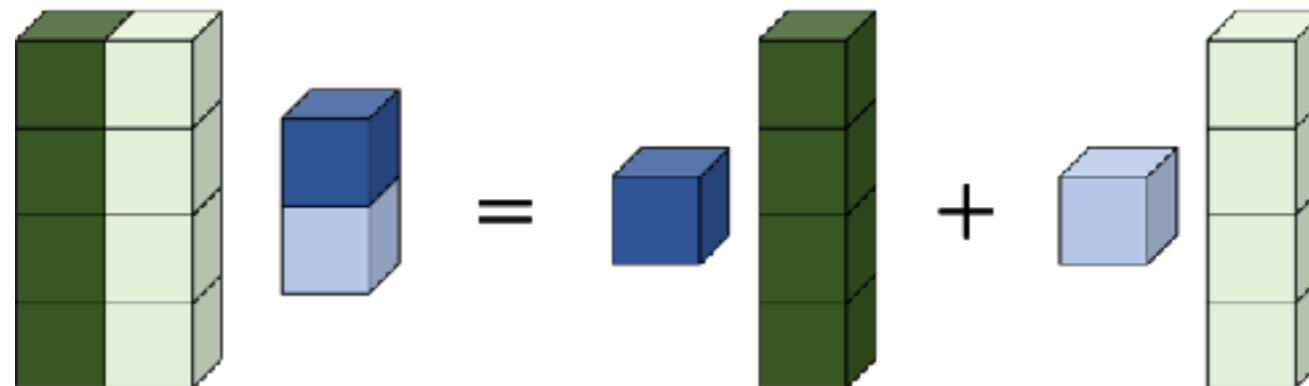
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# Tensor contraction: n-mode product

- Natural generalisation of matrix-vector and matrix-matrix product

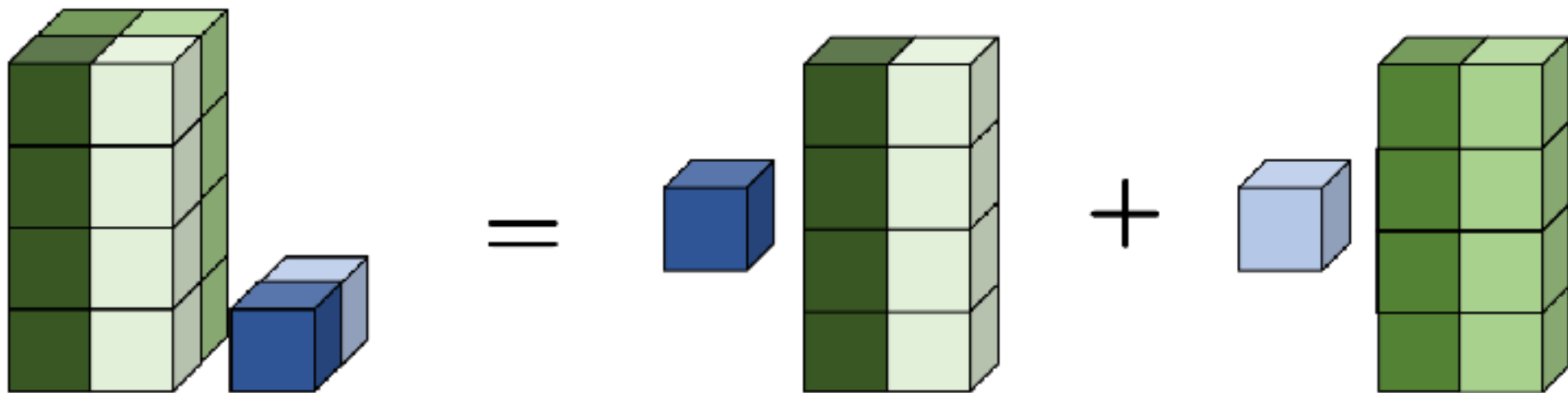


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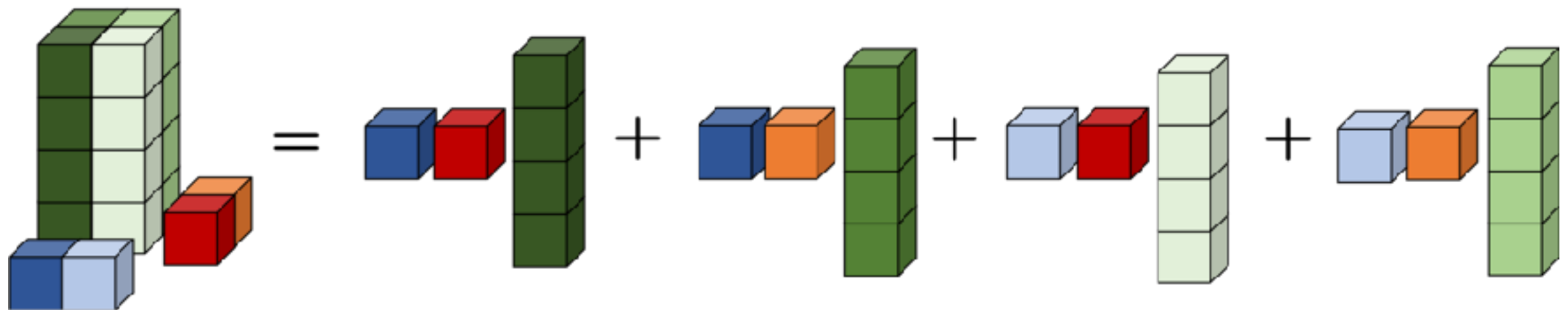
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- When multiplying a tensor by a matrix or a vector, we now have to specify the mode  $\mathbf{n}$  along which to take the product: n-mode product
- E.g.  $\hat{\mathcal{X}} \times_1 \mathbf{u}$

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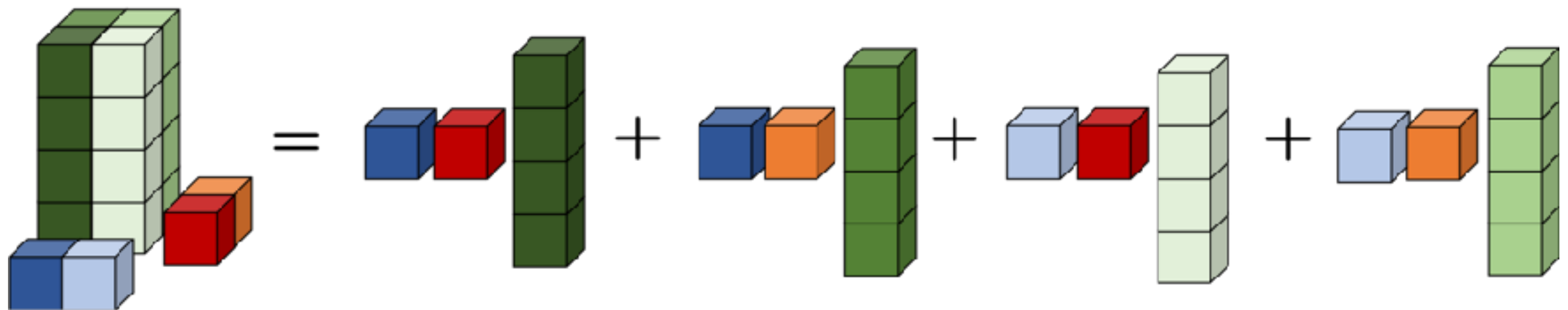
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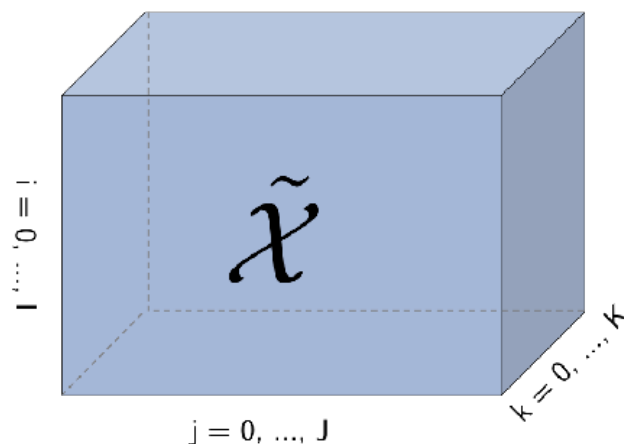

  
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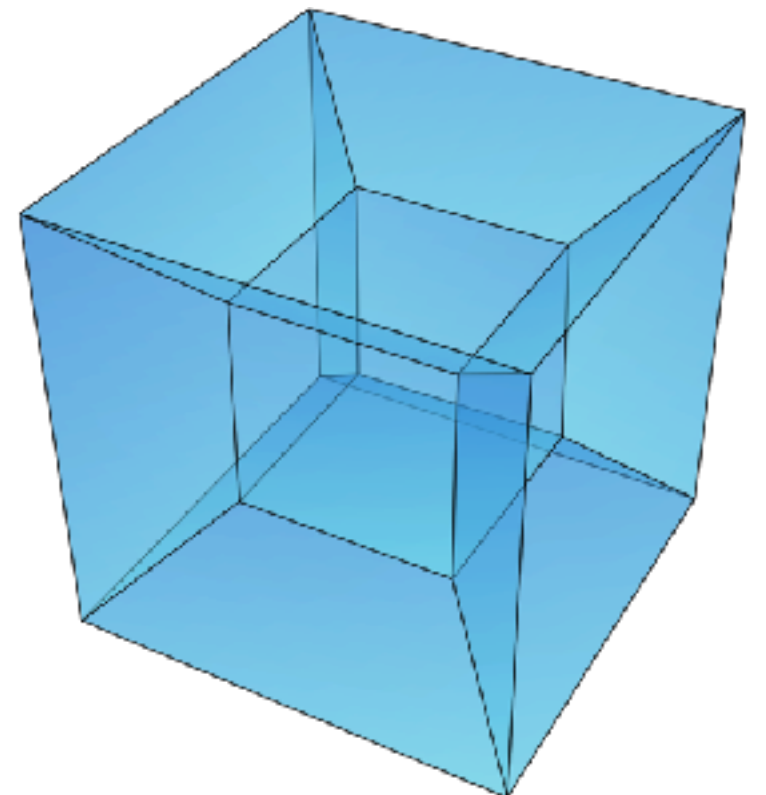
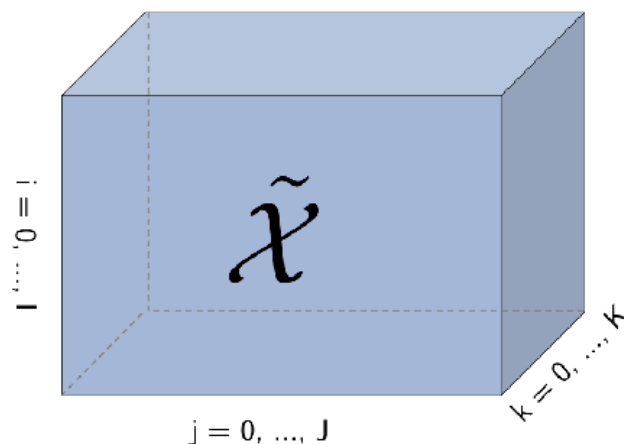
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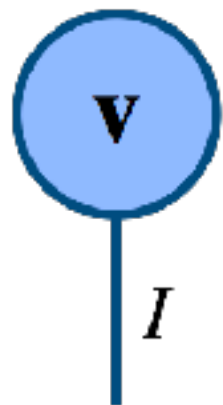
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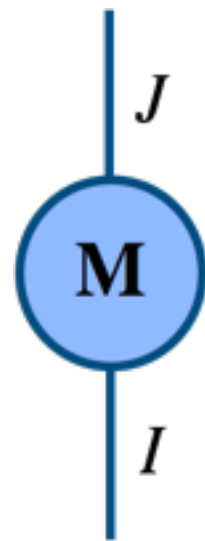


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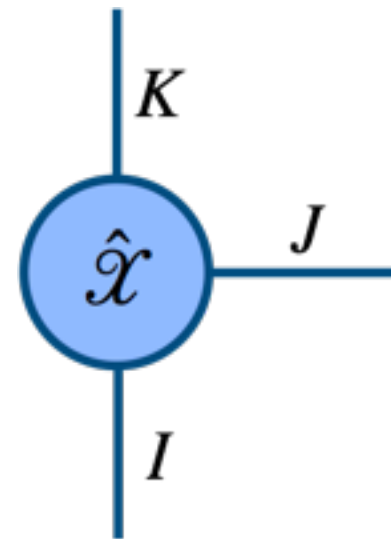
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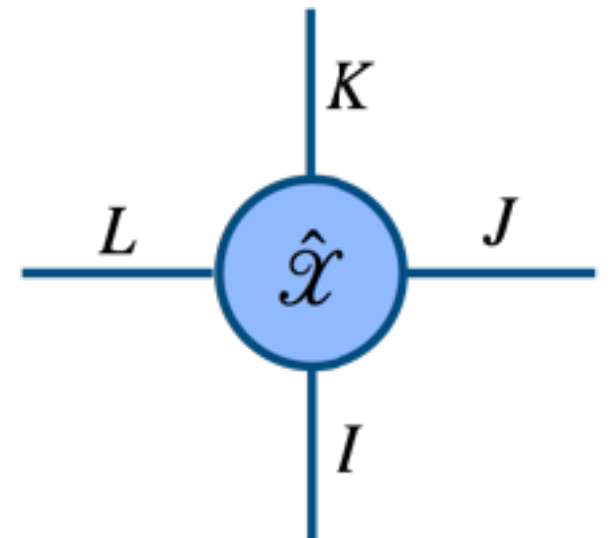
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3<sup>rd</sup> order  
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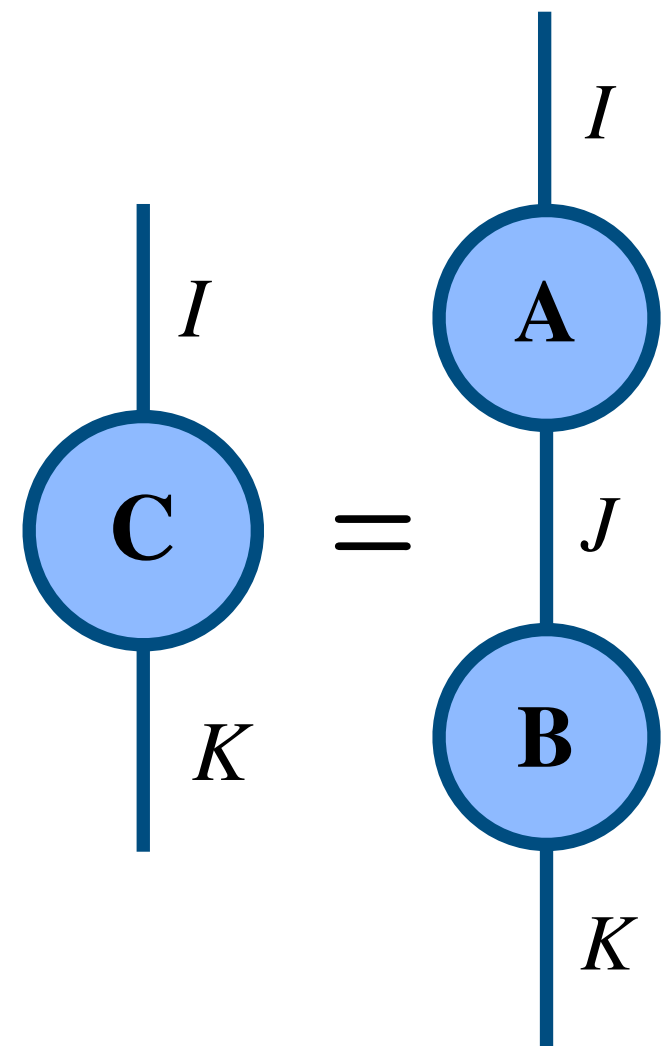
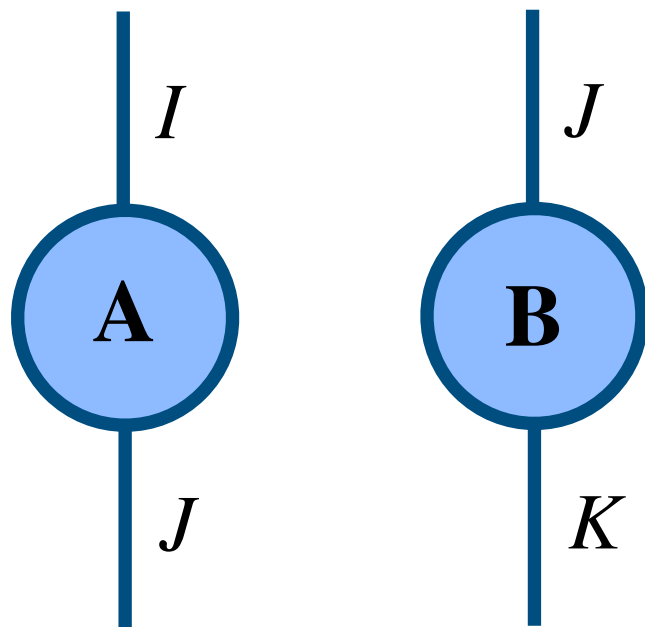
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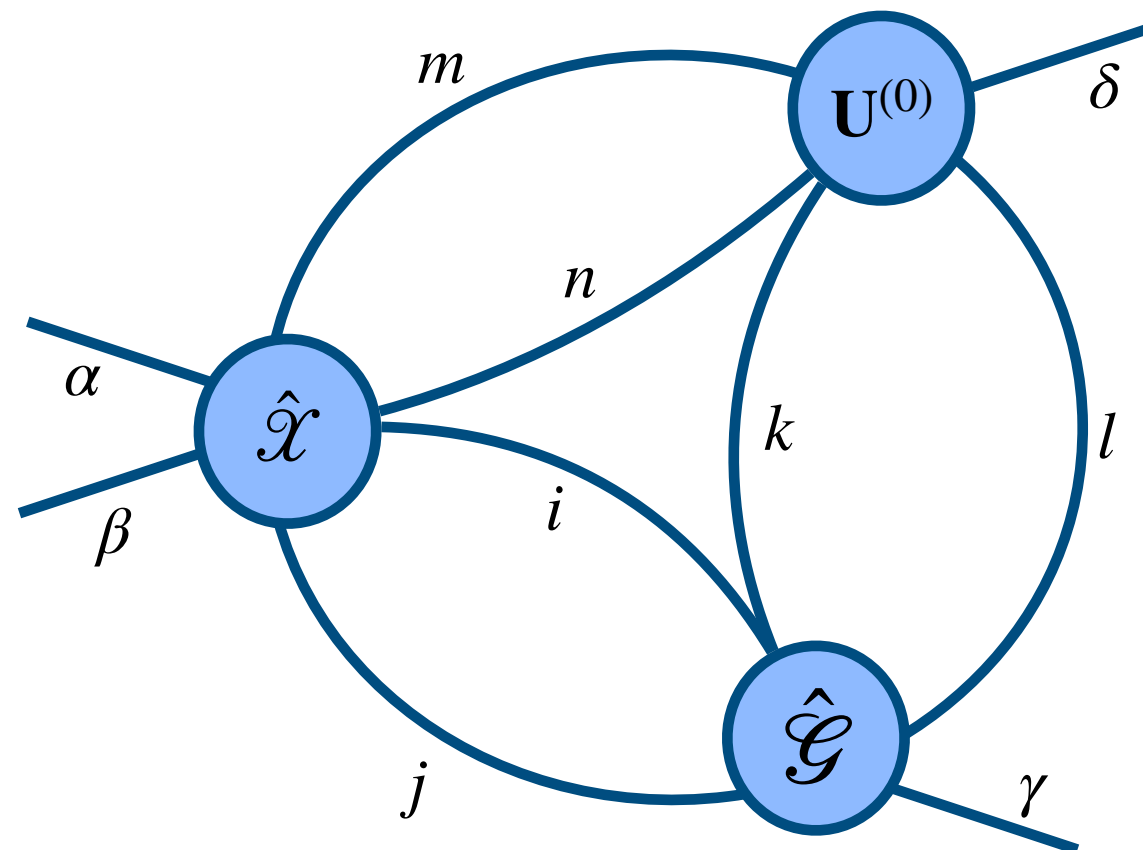
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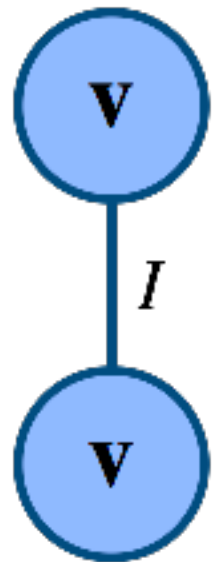
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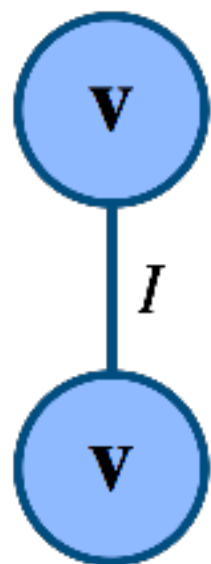
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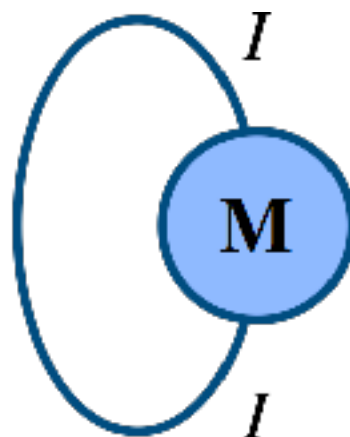
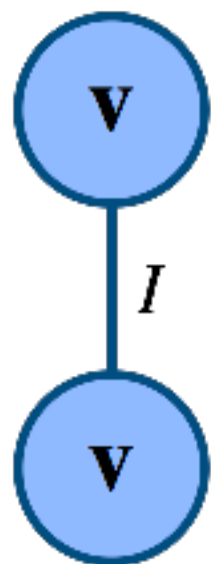
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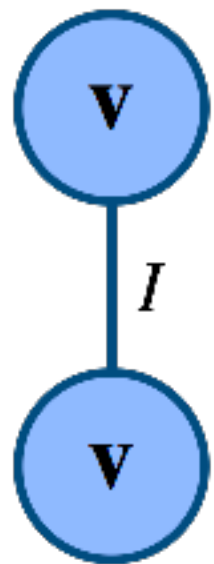
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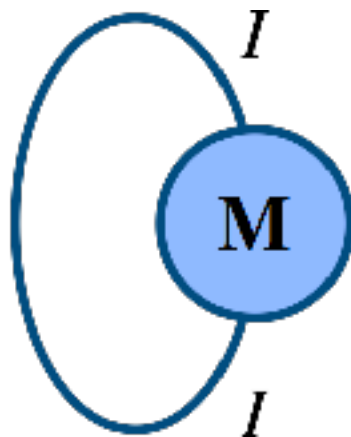
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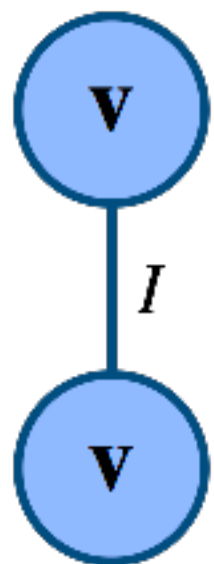
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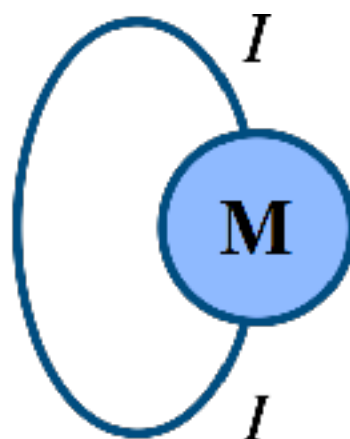
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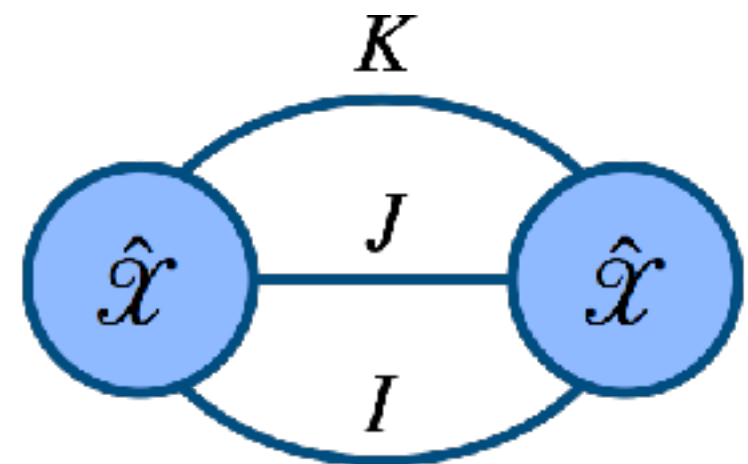
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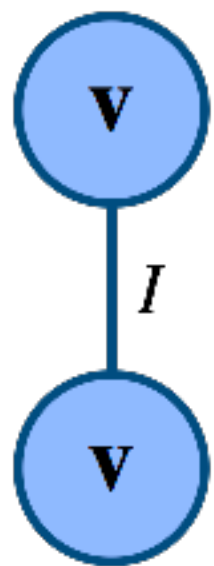
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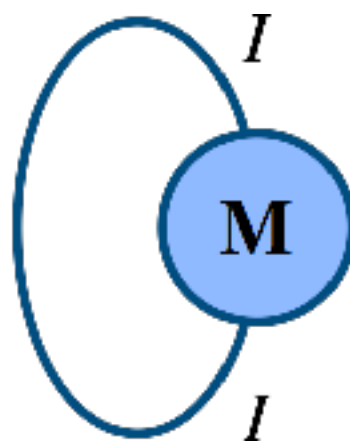


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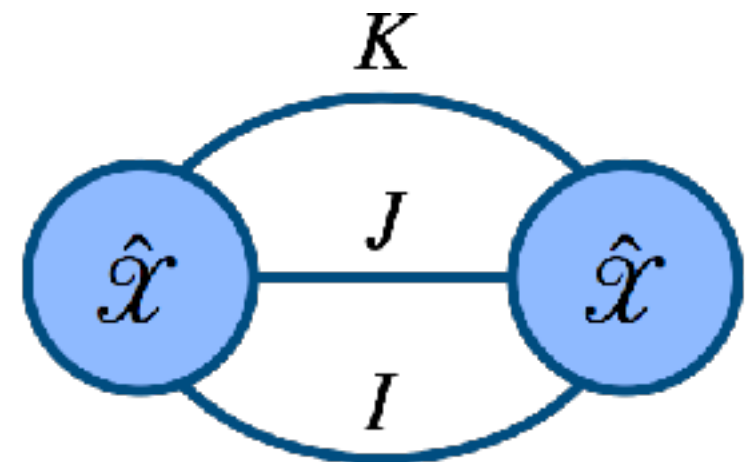
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Any questions?



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