



# Vectorization

1. Consider

$$\sum_{i=1}^m a_i b_i$$

- $a_i \in \mathbb{R}, \quad b_i \in \mathbb{R}$

2. For Python and other softwares, the computation efficiency of using for-loops for summation is quite low

3. However, matrix calculation is very efficient

4. Thus, we use vectorization for the summation

# Vectorization

## 1. Vectorization result

$$\sum_{i=1}^m a_i b_i = \mathbf{a}^T \cdot \mathbf{b}$$

- $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$
- $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$

# Vectorization

1. Example 1: Consider

$$\sum_{i=1}^m a_i$$

- $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$

2. Vectorization result

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \times \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{a}^T \cdot \mathbf{1} (= \mathbf{1}^T \cdot \mathbf{a})$$

- $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$
- $\mathbf{1} = (1, \dots, 1)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$ : a vector of 1's with length  $m$

# Vectorization

1. Example 2: Consider

$$\sum_{i=1}^m a_i b_i$$

- $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ : a scalar, which may be 1
- $b_i \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times 1}$

2. Vectorization result

$$\sum_{i=1}^m a_i b_i = B \cdot a$$

- $a = (a_1, \dots, a_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$
- $B = (b_1, \dots, b_m) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$

# Vectorization

1. Example 3: Consider

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{b}_i^T$$

- $\mathbf{a}_i \in \mathbb{R}$ : a scalar, which may be 1
- $\mathbf{b}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times 1}$

2. Vectorization result

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{b}_i = \mathbf{a}^T \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

- $\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$
- $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$