

Kernel Computation

Chia-Chi Tsai (蔡家齊)

cctsai@gs.ncku.edu.tw

AI System Lab

Department of Electrical Engineering

National Cheng Kung University

Outline



- Overview
- Matrix Multiplication Based Convolution
- Tiling for Optimizing Performance
- Computation Transform Optimizations

Outline



- Overview
- Matrix Multiplication Based Convolution
- Tiling for Optimizing Performance
- Computation Transform Optimizations

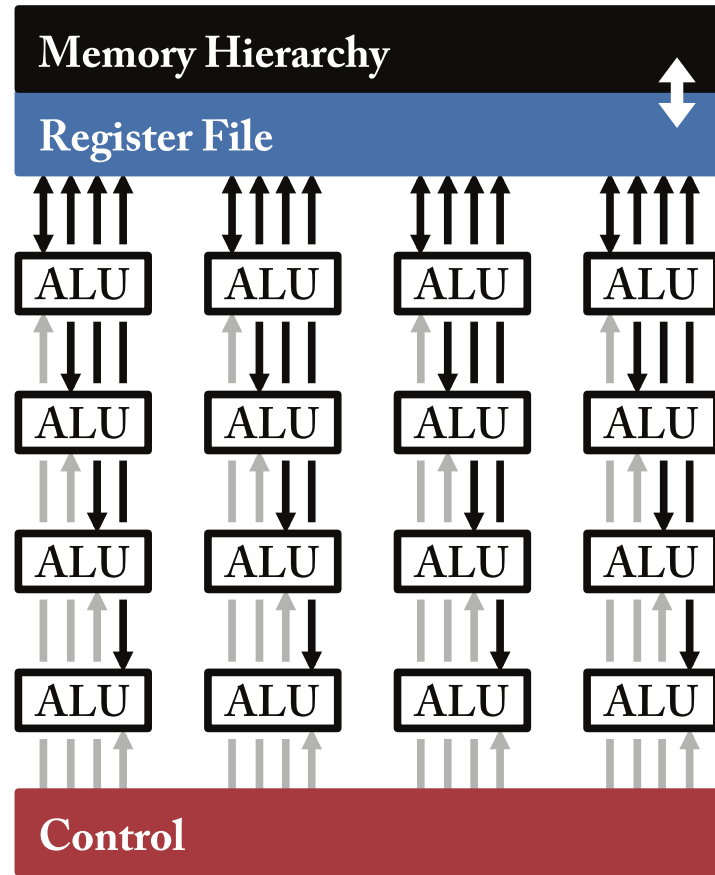
Fundamental Computation of AI



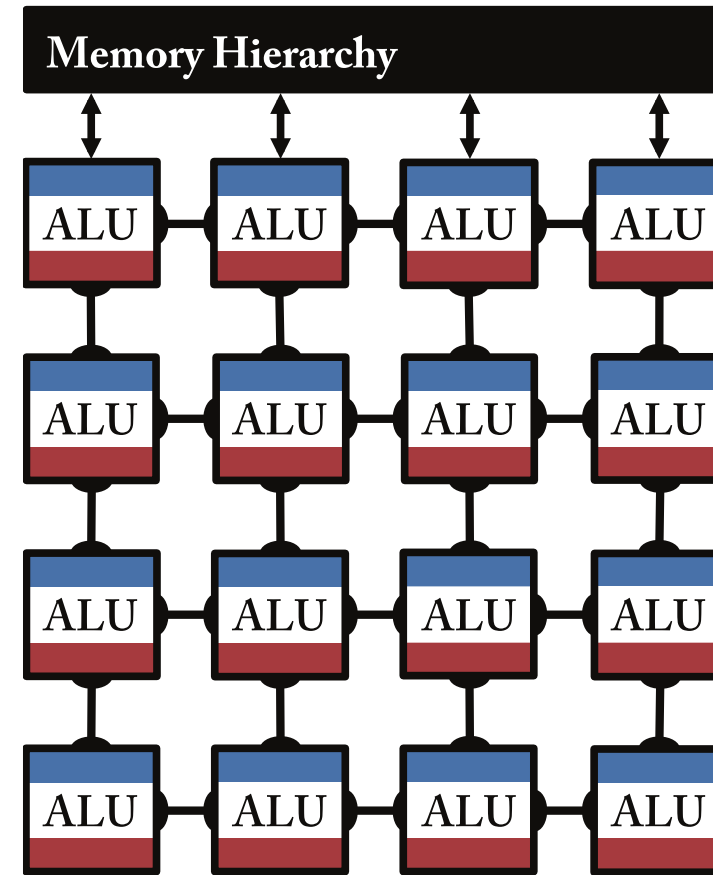
- Fundamental computation
 - Convolution Layer
 - Fully Connected Layer
 - Consist of Multiply-and-accumulate(MAC) operations
- Flexibility and parallelization is the key
- Temporal and spatial parallelism

Temporal and Spatial Architecture

Temporal Architecture
(SIMD/SIMT)



Spatial Architecture
(Dataflow Processing)



Temporal Architecture



- Centralized control for a large number of arithmetic logic units (ALUs)
 - Fetch data from the memory hierarchy
 - Cannot communicate directly with each other
- Commonly seen in CPUs and GPUs
 - Vector instructions(SIMD)
 - Parallel threads(SIMT)

Spatial Architecture



- Allow for communication between ALUs
- Use dataflow processing
 - ALUs form a processing chain so that they can pass data from one to another directly
- Each ALU may can have its own control logic and local memory
 - Scratchpad or register file
- ALU with its own local memory → Processing Engine(PE)
- Commonly seem for processing DNNs in ASIC- and FPGA-based designs

Temporal System Support for DNNs



- With the rise in popularity of DNN, many programmable temporal systems (i.e., CPUs and GPUs) started adding features that target DNN processing
- Intel Knights Landing CPU
 - Special vector instructions
 - Performed multiple fused multiply accumulate operations
- Nvidia PASCAL GP100 GPU
 - 16-bit floating point (fp16) arithmetic
 - Perform two fp16 operations on a single precision core
- Nvidia VOLTA GV100 GPU
 - Special compute unit for performing matrix multiplication and accumulation
 - Individual instructions that perform many MAC operations

Systems of DNN processing



- Facebook's Big Basin custom DNN server
- Nvidia's DGX-1
- Apple's A Series
- Nvidia's Tegra
- Samsung's Exynos

Things to Learn



- For temporal architecture
 - How DNN algorithms can be mapped optimized on these platforms
 - How **computational transforms** on the kernel can reduce the number of **multiplications** to **increase throughput**
 - How the computation (e.g., MACs) can be ordered (i.e., tiled) to improve memory subsystem behavior
- For spatial architecture
 - How dataflows can increase data reuse from low-cost memories in the memory hierarchy to reduce energy consumption
 - How other architectural features can help optimize data movement

Volta GV100



- 84 SM Units
- 120 TFLOPS(FP16)
- 400 GFLOPS/W(FP16)



Volta GV100 Streaming Multiprocessor(SM)

- 8 Tensor Cores per SM
- 640 Tensor Cores



GV100 – Tensor Cores



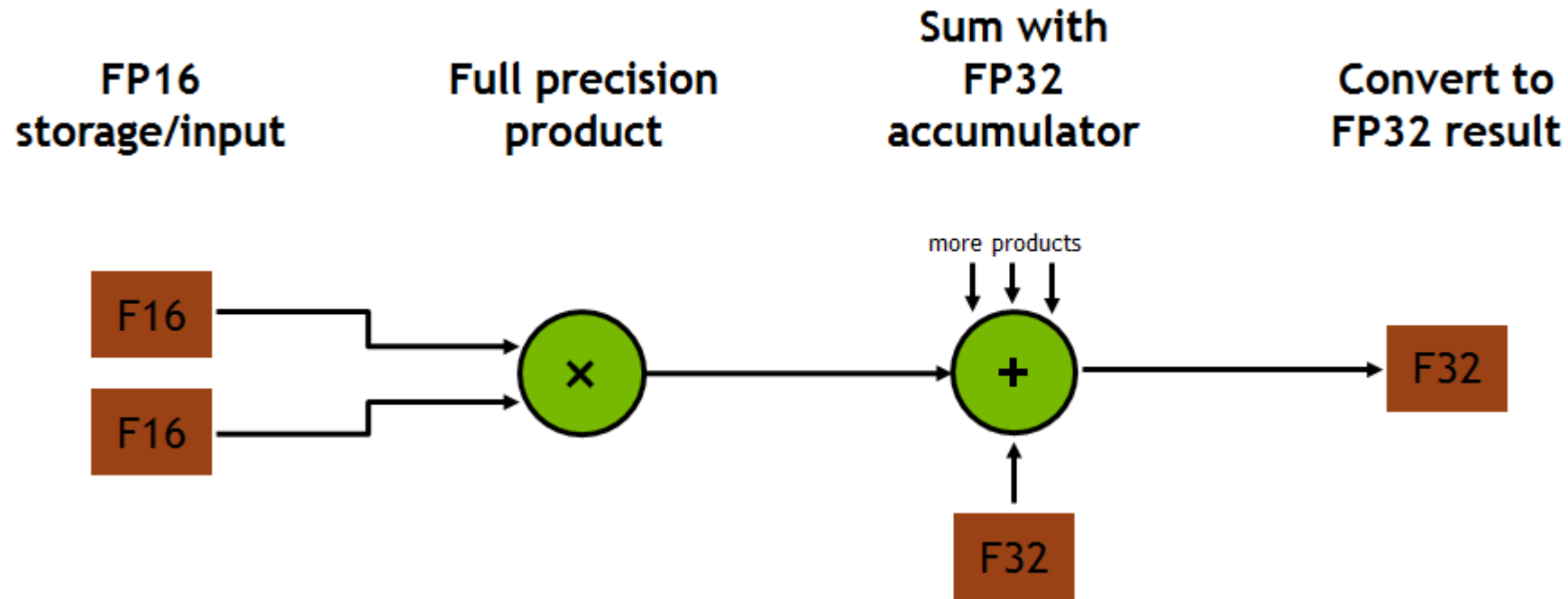
$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} A_{0,0} & A_{0,1} & A_{0,2} & A_{0,3} \\ A_{1,0} & A_{1,1} & A_{1,2} & A_{1,3} \\ A_{2,0} & A_{2,1} & A_{2,2} & A_{2,3} \\ A_{3,0} & A_{3,1} & A_{3,2} & A_{3,3} \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} B_{0,0} & B_{0,1} & B_{0,2} & B_{0,3} \\ B_{1,0} & B_{1,1} & B_{1,2} & B_{1,3} \\ B_{2,0} & B_{2,1} & B_{2,2} & B_{2,3} \\ B_{3,0} & B_{3,1} & B_{3,2} & B_{3,3} \end{matrix} & + & \begin{matrix} C_{0,0} & C_{0,1} & C_{0,2} & C_{0,3} \\ C_{1,0} & C_{1,1} & C_{1,2} & C_{1,3} \\ C_{2,0} & C_{2,1} & C_{2,2} & C_{2,3} \\ C_{3,0} & C_{3,1} & C_{3,2} & C_{3,3} \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

FP16 or FP32 FP16 FP16 FP16 or FP32

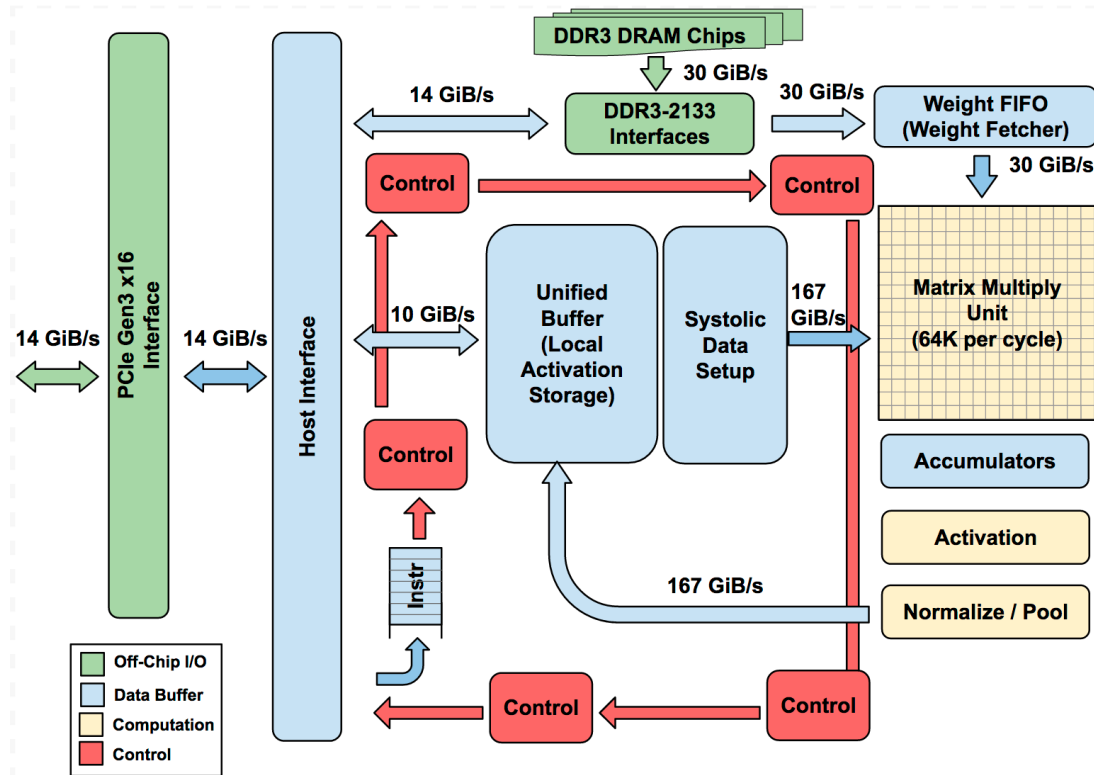
Tensor Core 4x4x4 matrix multiply and accumulate

- New opcodes – Matrix Multiply Accumulate (HMMA)
- Number of FP16 operands? Inputs 48, Outputs 16
- 64 Multiplies/clock
- 64 Adds/clock

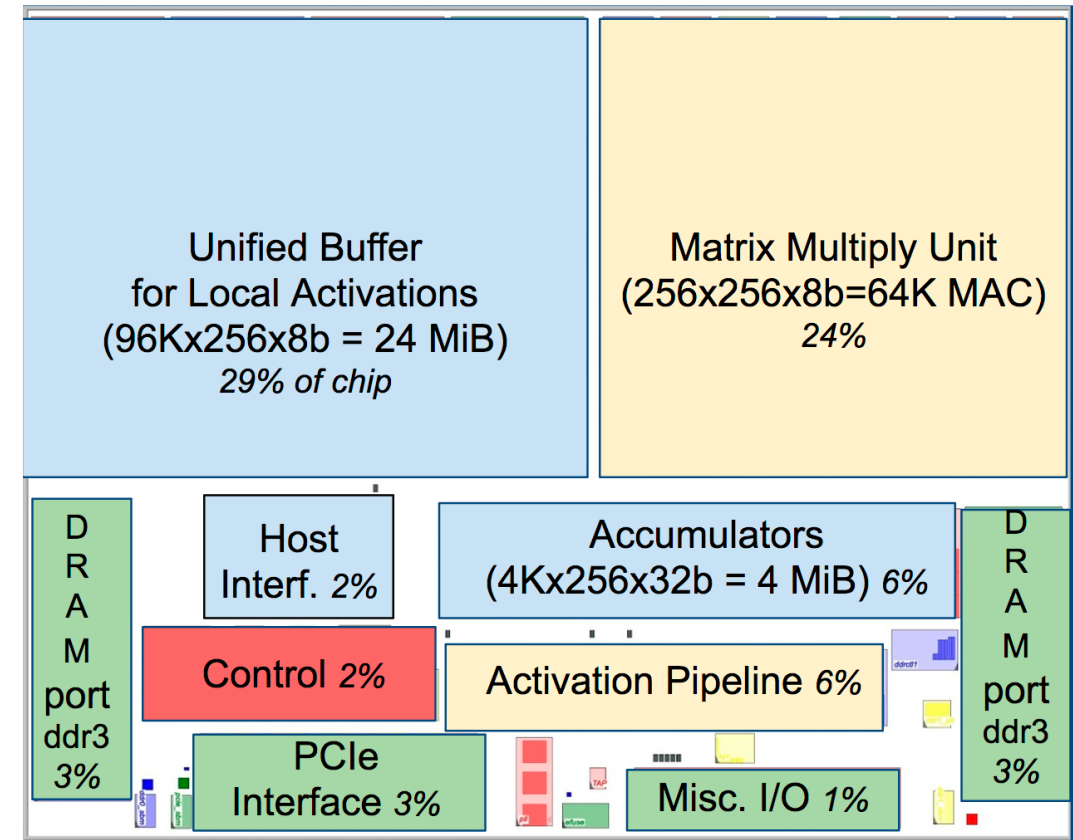
GV100 – Tensor Cores Operation



• Top-Level Architecture

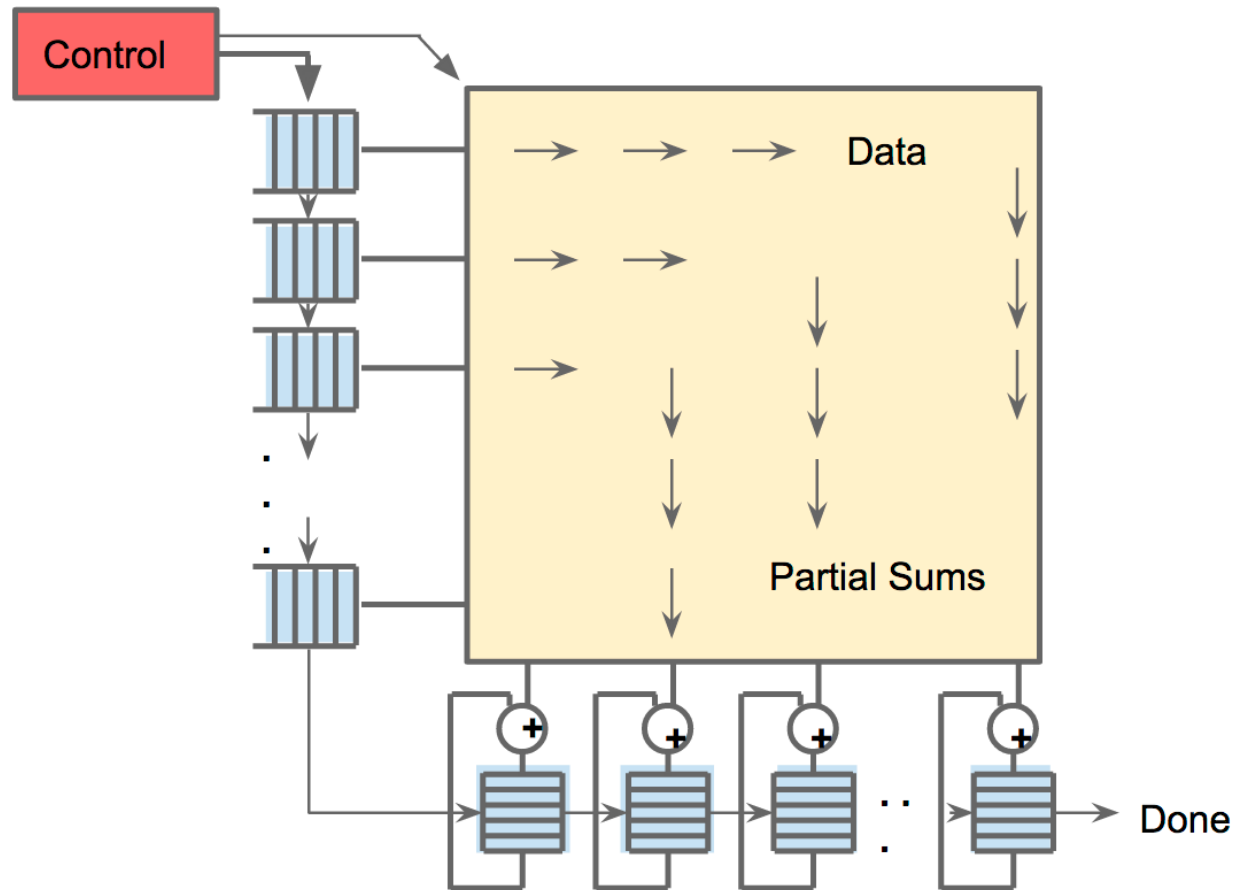


• Floorplan



Jouppi, N. P., Young, C., Patil, N., Patterson, D., Agrawal, G., Bajwa, R., ... & Yoon, D. H. (2017, June). In-datacenter performance analysis of a tensor processing unit. In *Proceedings of the 44th annual international symposium on computer architecture* (pp. 1-12).

- Systolic data flow of Matrix Multiply Unit

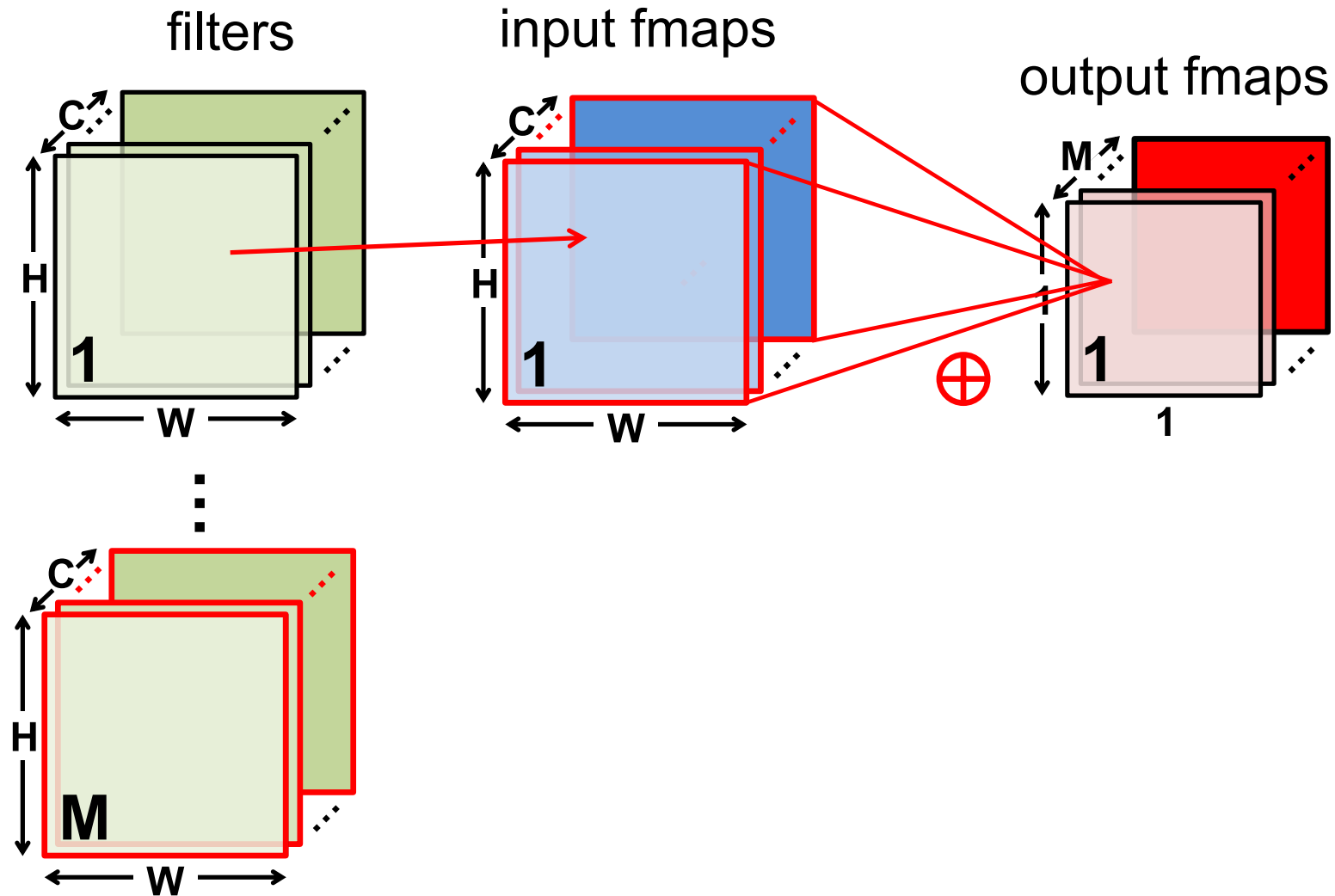


Outline

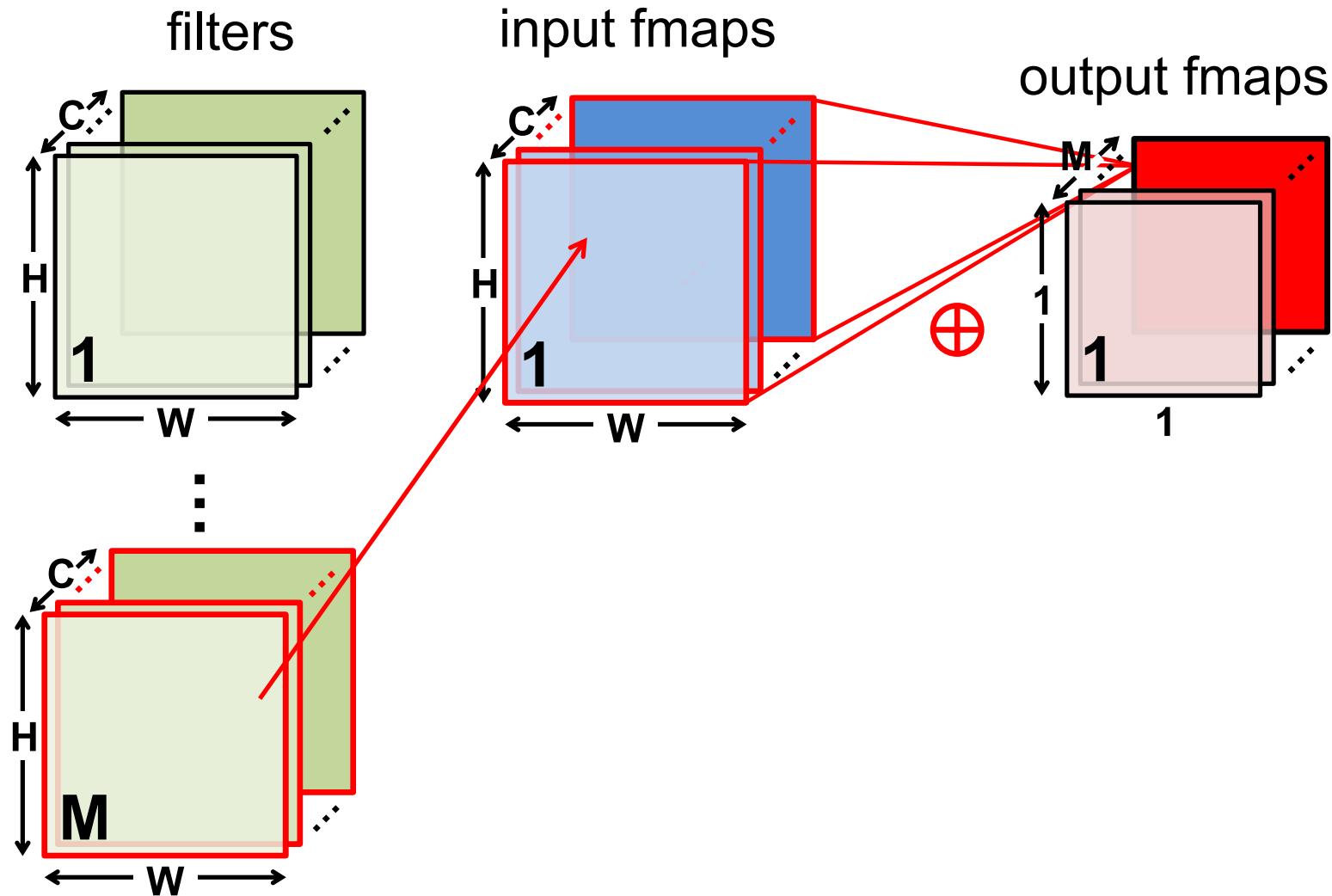


- Overview
- **Matrix Multiplication Based Convolution**
- Tiling for Optimizing Performance
- Computation Transform Optimizations

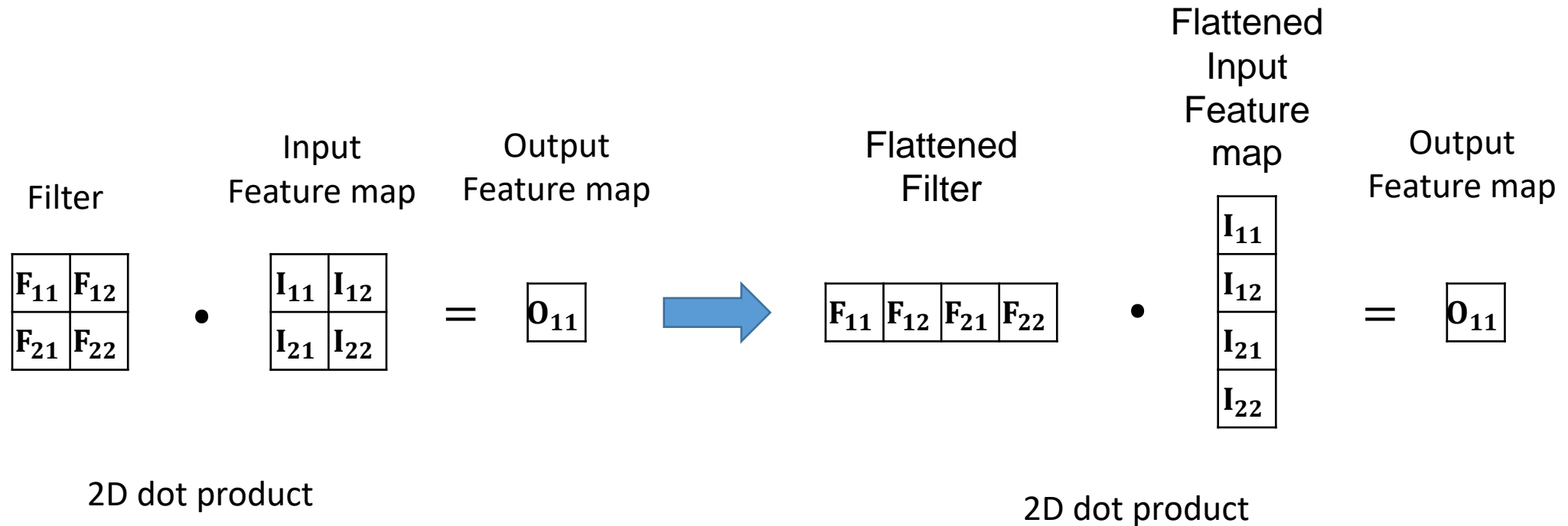
Fully-Connected Layer



Fully-Connected Layer



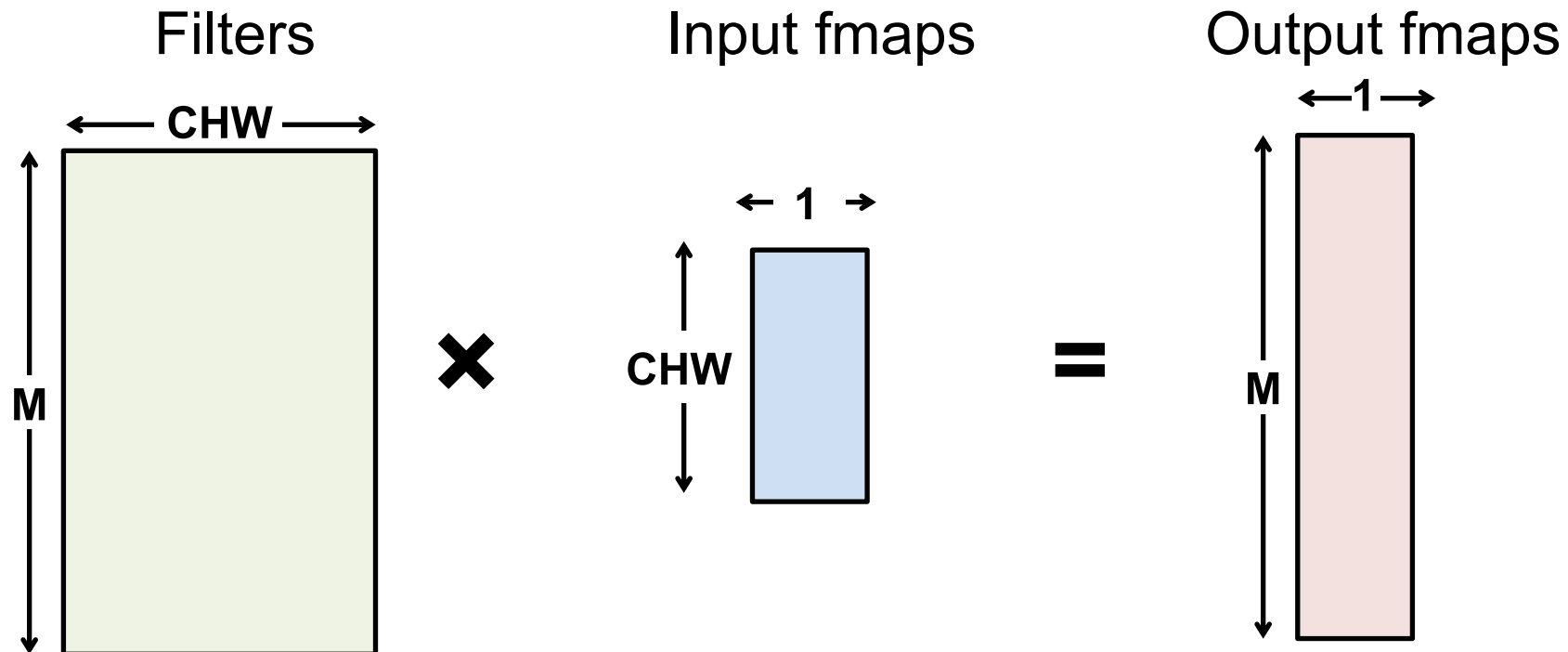
Flattened 2D Dot Product



Fully-Connected Layer



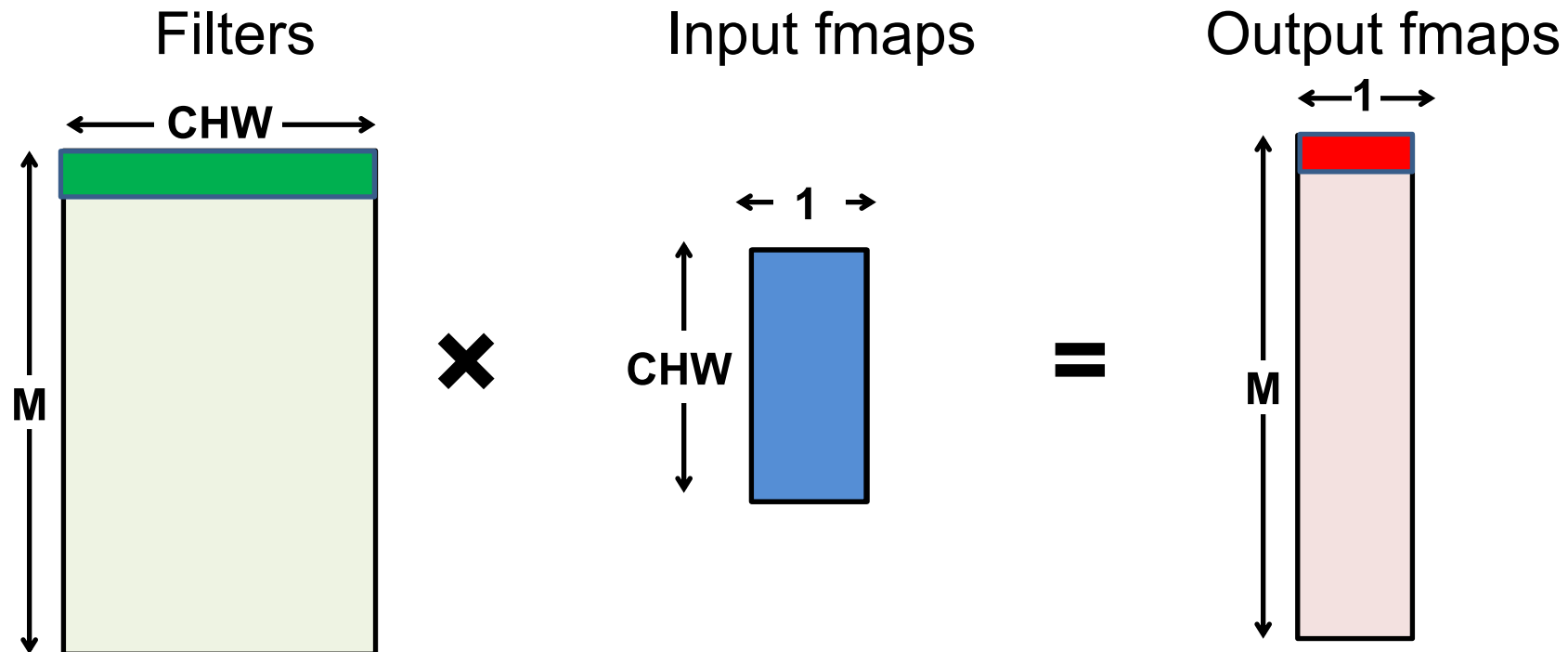
- Matrix–Vector Multiply:
 - Multiply all inputs in all channels by a weight and sum



Fully-Connected Layer



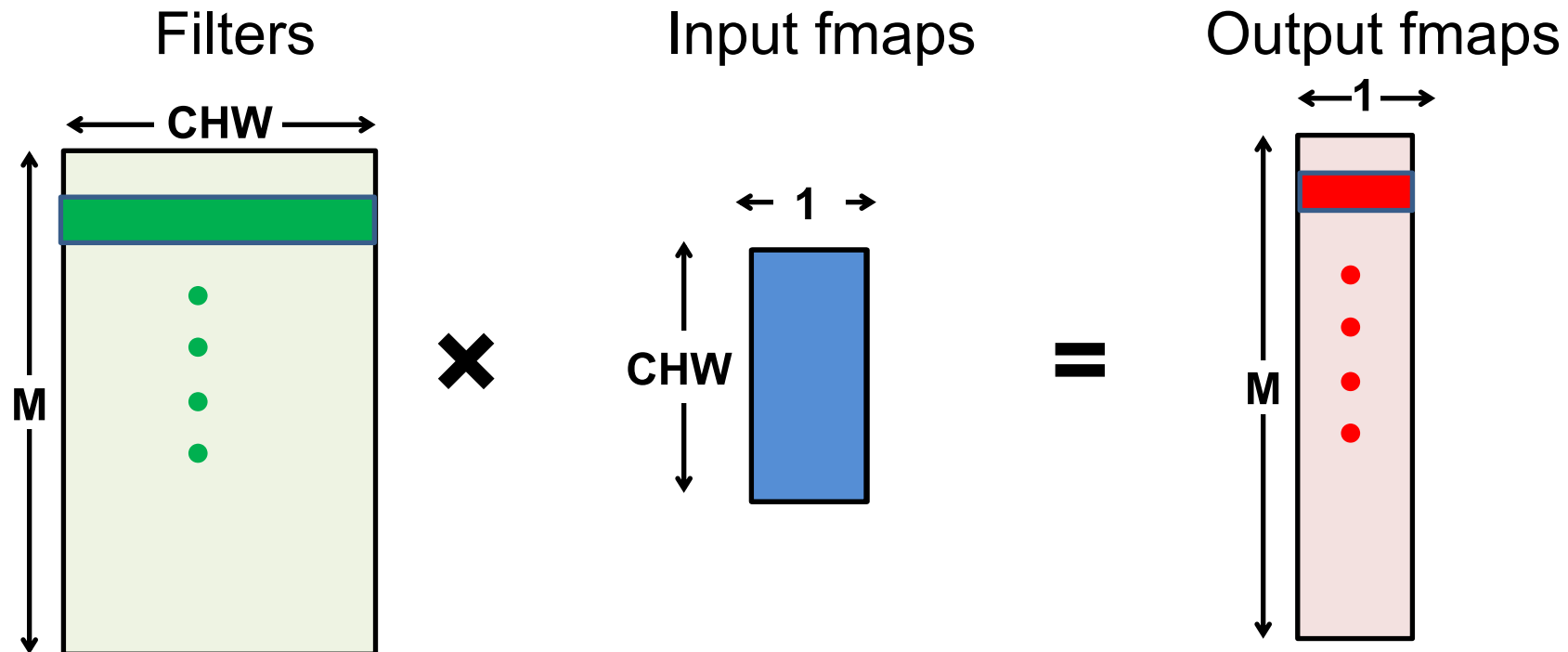
- Matrix–Vector Multiply:
 - Multiply all inputs in all channels by a weight and sum



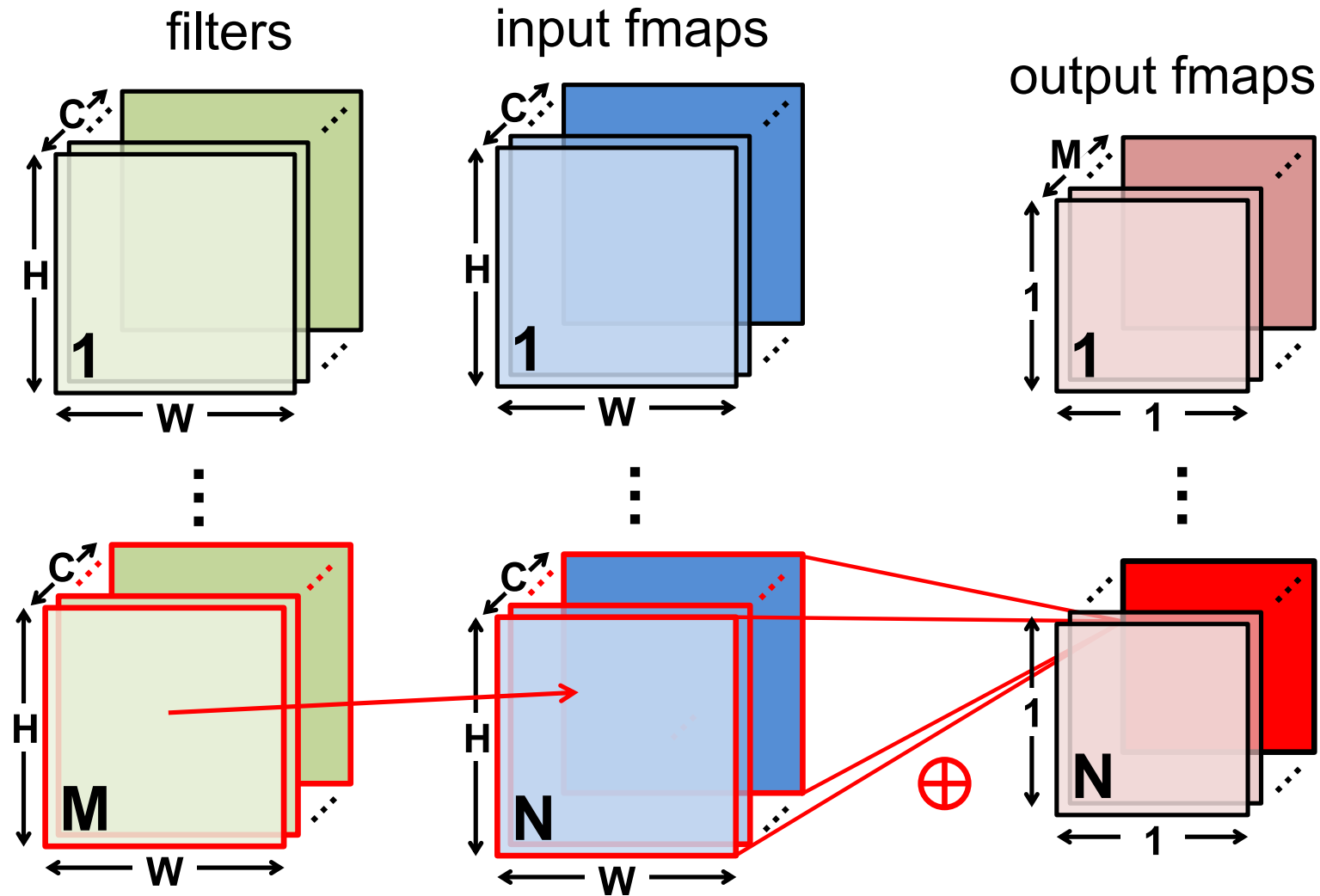
Fully-Connected Layer



- Matrix–Vector Multiply:
 - Multiply all inputs in all channels by a weight and sum

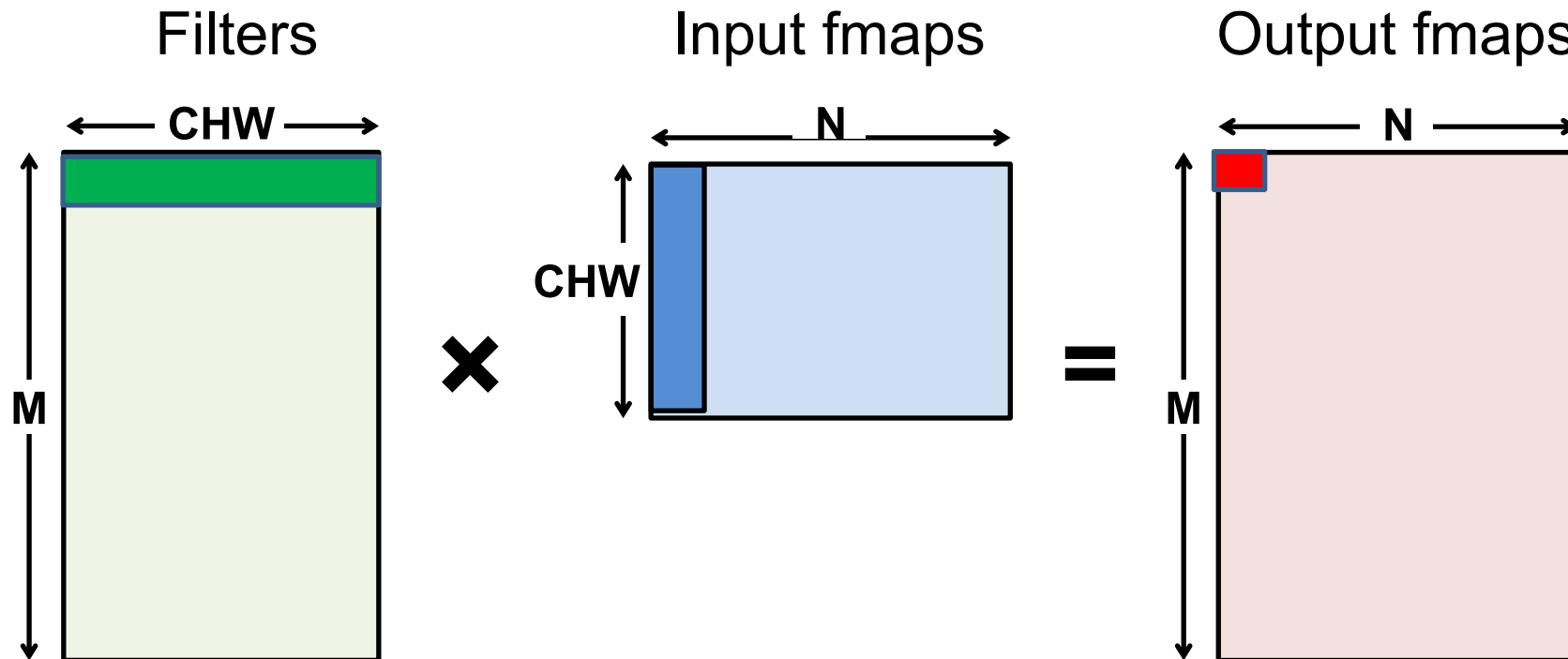


Fully-Connected Layer



Flattened Fully-Connected Layer

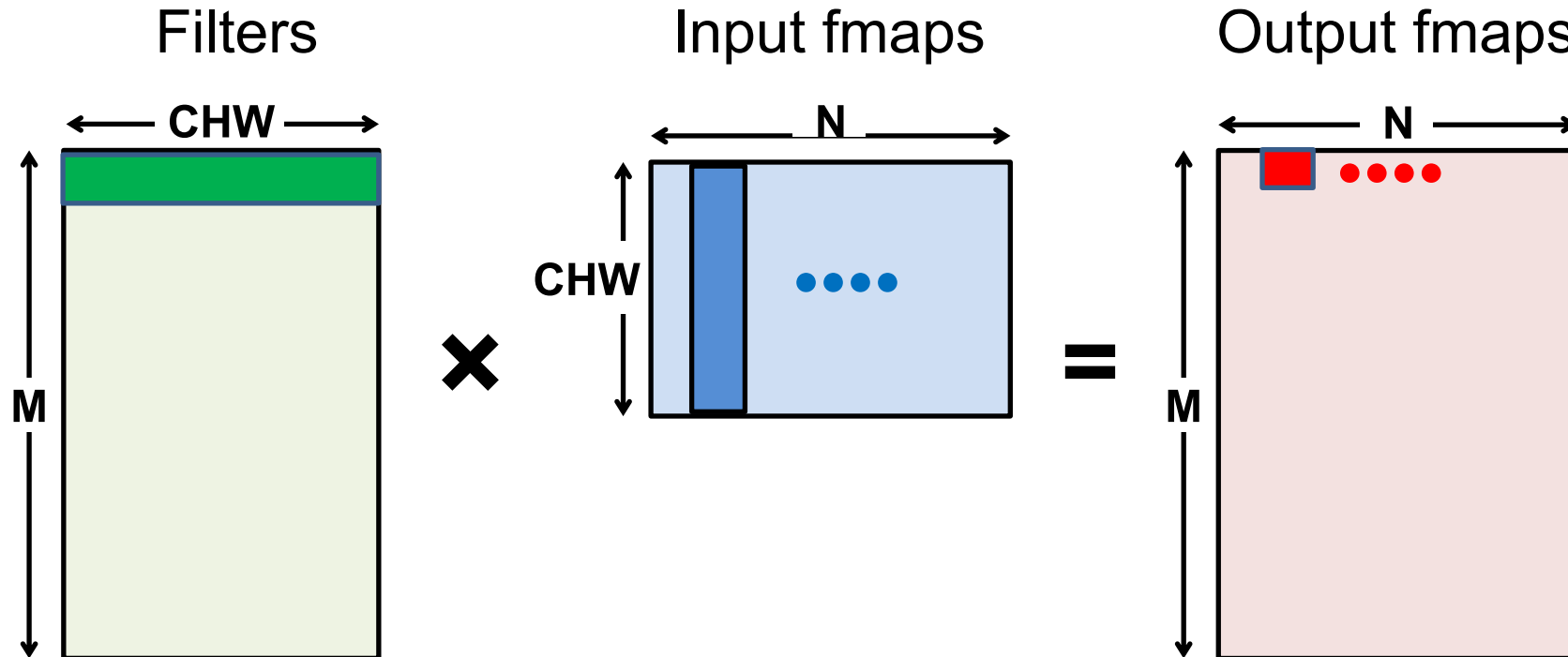
- After flattening, having a batch size of N turns the matrix-vector operation into a matrix-matrix multiply



Flattened Fully-Connected Layer



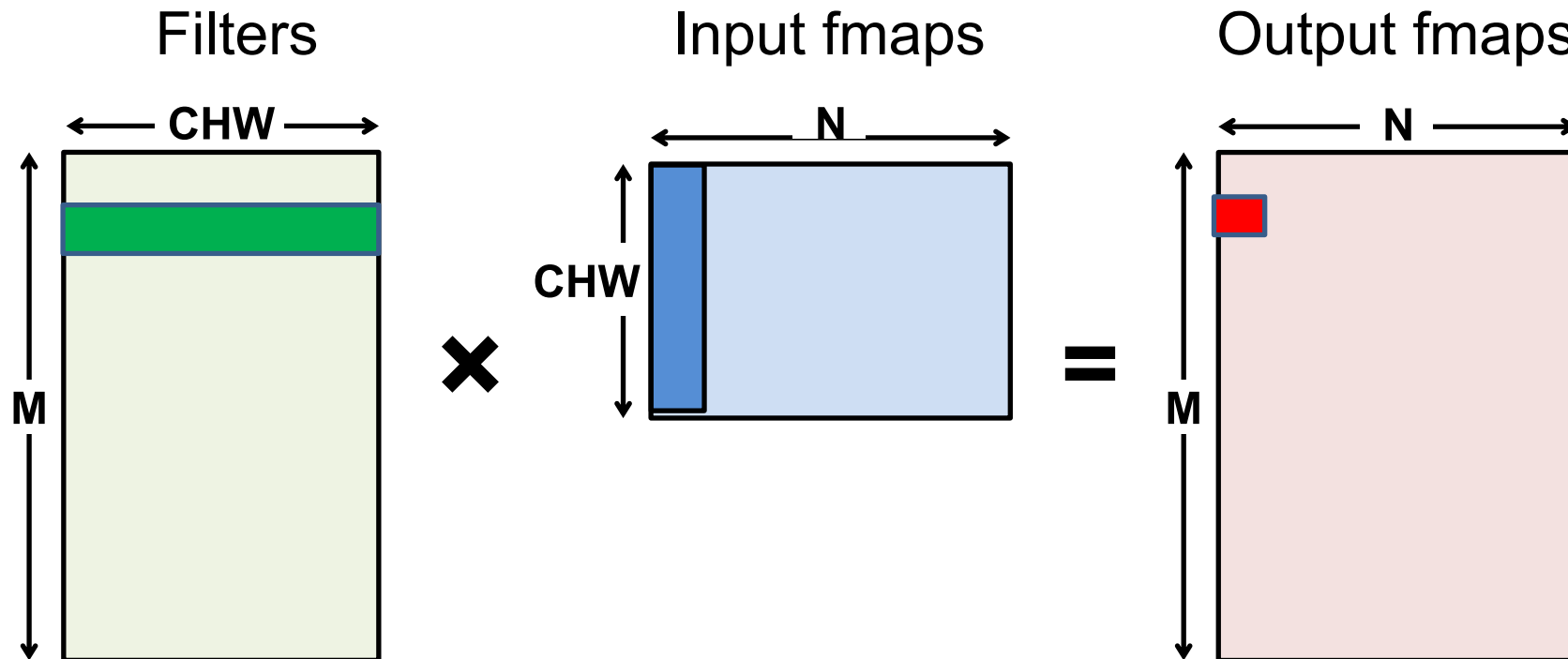
- After flattening, having a batch size of N turns the matrix-vector operation into a matrix-matrix multiply



Flattened Fully-Connected Layer



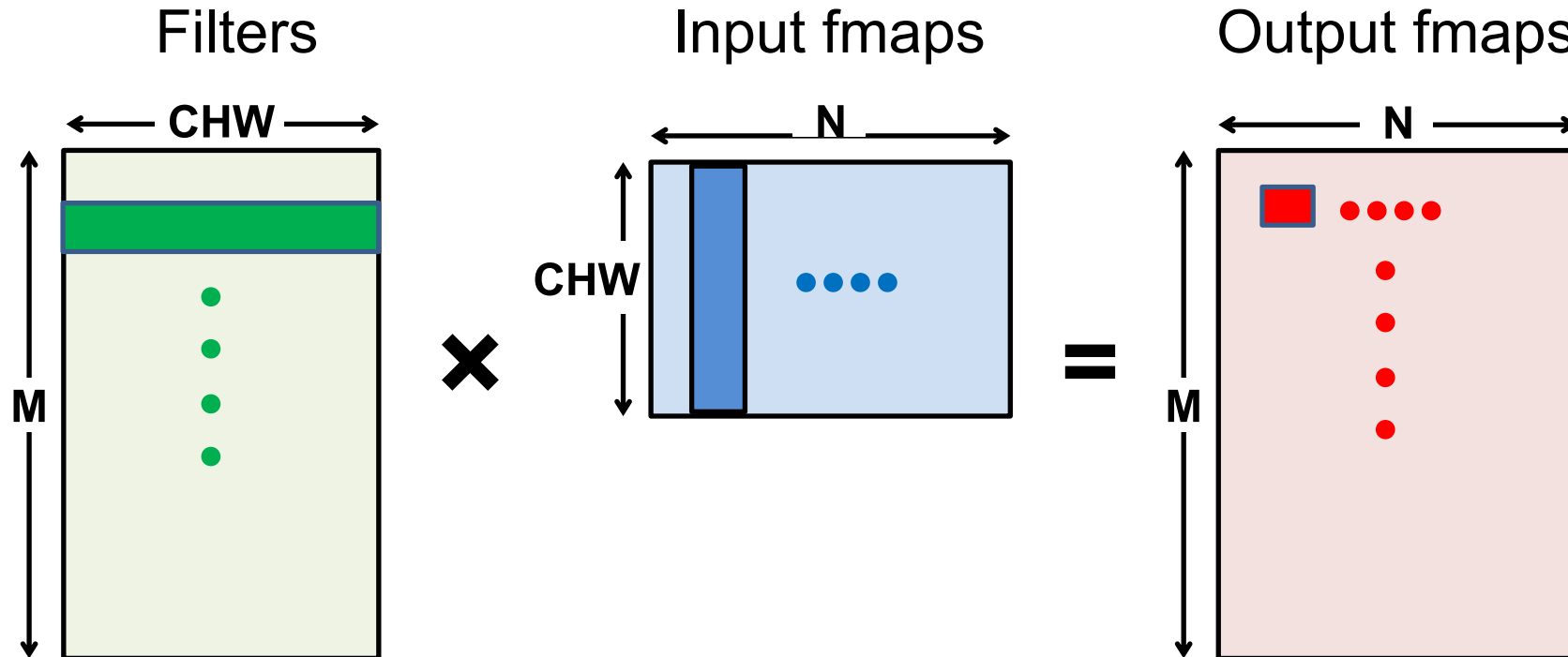
- After flattening, having a batch size of N turns the matrix-vector operation into a matrix-matrix multiply



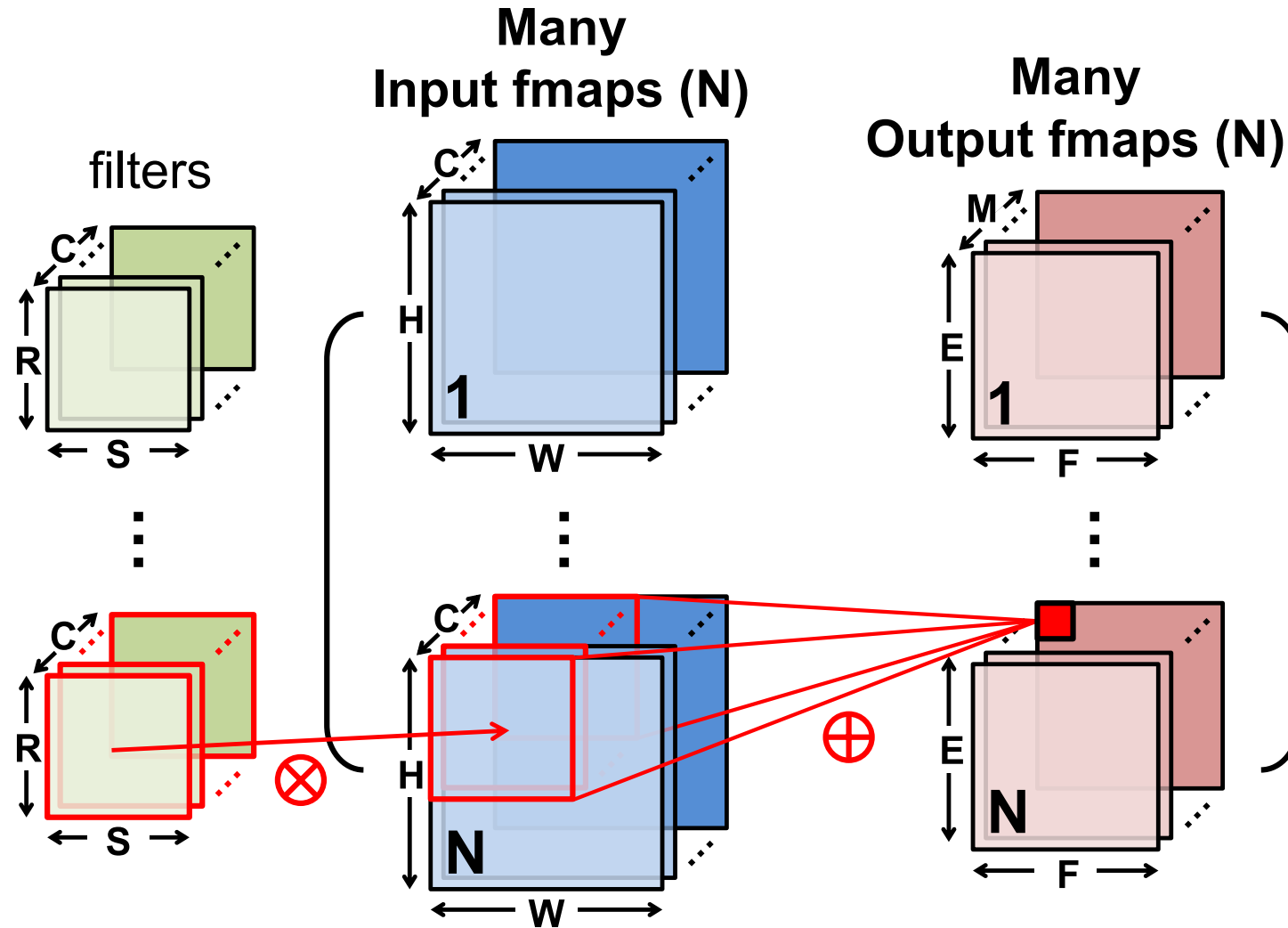
Flattened Fully-Connected Layer



- After flattening, having a batch size of N turns the matrix-vector operation into a matrix-matrix multiply



Convolution Layer



CONV Layer Implementation



- Naïve 7-layer for-loop implementation:

```

1 for (n=0; n<N; n++) {
2     for (m=0; m<M; m++) {
3         for (x=0; x<F; x++) {
4             for (y=0; y<E; y++) {
5                 O[n][m][x][y] = B[m];
6                 for (i=0; i<R; i++) {
7                     for (j=0; j<S; j++) {
8                         for (k=0; k<C; k++) {
9                             O[n][m][x][y] += I[n][k][Ux+i][Uy+j] * W[m][k][i][j];
10                        }
11                    }
12                }
13                O[n][m][x][y] = Activation(O[n][m][x][y]);
14            }
15        }
16    }
17 }

```

for each output fmap value

Convolve a window and apply activation

Shape Parameter	Description
N	Number of input fmaps/output fmaps (batch size)
C	Number of 2-D input fmaps /filters (channels)
H	Height of input fmap (activations)
W	Width of input fmap (activations)
R	Height of 2-D filter (weights)
S	Width of 2-D filter (weights)
M	Number of 2-D output fmaps (channels)
E	Height of output fmap (activations)
F	Width of output fmap (activations)

How much temporal locality for naïve implementation? None

Convolution Layer



Filter Input Output
Feature map Feature map

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} \\ O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Computation Steps

1

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} \\ O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} \\ I_{12} \\ I_{21} \\ I_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

2

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} \\ O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{12} \\ I_{13} \\ I_{22} \\ I_{23} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Convolution Layer



Filter Input Output
Feature map Feature map

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} \\ O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Computation Steps

3

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} \\ O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{21} \\ I_{22} \\ I_{31} \\ I_{32} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

4

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} \\ O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{22} \\ I_{23} \\ I_{32} \\ I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Flattened Convolution Layer



Filter Input Feature map Output Feature map

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} \\ F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{13} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ I_{31} & I_{32} & I_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} \\ O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Decompose

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} \\ I_{12} \\ I_{21} \\ I_{22} \end{bmatrix} & = & \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix} \\
 \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{21} \\ I_{22} \\ I_{31} \\ I_{32} \end{bmatrix} & = & \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{12} \\ I_{13} \\ I_{22} \\ I_{23} \end{bmatrix} & = & \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix} \\
 \begin{bmatrix} F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} I_{22} \\ I_{23} \\ I_{32} \\ I_{33} \end{bmatrix} & = & \begin{bmatrix} O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

Flattened Convolution Layer



$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} & \bullet & \begin{array}{|c|} \hline I_{11} \\ \hline I_{12} \\ \hline I_{21} \\ \hline I_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} & = & \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} & \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} & \bullet & \begin{array}{|c|} \hline I_{12} \\ \hline I_{13} \\ \hline I_{22} \\ \hline I_{23} \\ \hline \end{array} & = & \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} \\
 \\
 \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} & \bullet & \begin{array}{|c|} \hline I_{21} \\ \hline I_{22} \\ \hline I_{31} \\ \hline I_{32} \\ \hline \end{array} & = & \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} & \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} & \bullet & \begin{array}{|c|} \hline I_{22} \\ \hline I_{23} \\ \hline I_{32} \\ \hline I_{33} \\ \hline \end{array} & = & \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \\ \hline \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

Integrate

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline F_{11} & F_{12} & F_{21} & F_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} \times \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline I_{11} & I_{12} & I_{21} & I_{22} \\ \hline I_{12} & I_{13} & I_{22} & I_{23} \\ \hline I_{21} & I_{22} & I_{31} & I_{32} \\ \hline I_{22} & I_{23} & I_{32} & I_{33} \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline O_{11} & O_{21} & O_{21} & O_{22} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Matrix Multiply (Toeplitz Matrix)

Flattened Convolution Layer



Input

Filter

F_{11}	F_{12}
F_{21}	F_{22}

Feature map

I_{11}	I_{12}	I_{13}
I_{21}	I_{22}	I_{23}
I_{31}	I_{32}	I_{33}

Output

Feature map

O_{11}	O_{21}
O_{21}	O_{22}

$*$

$=$

Convolution



Convert to matrix multiply using the **Toeplitz Matrix**

Matrix Multiply (Toeplitz Matrix)

F_{11}	F_{12}	F_{21}	F_{22}
----------	----------	----------	----------

\times

I_{11}	I_{12}	I_{21}	I_{22}
I_{12}	I_{13}	I_{22}	I_{23}
I_{21}	I_{22}	I_{31}	I_{32}
I_{22}	I_{23}	I_{32}	I_{33}

$=$

O_{11}	O_{21}	O_{21}	O_{22}
----------	----------	----------	----------

Flattened Convolution Layer



Input

Filter

F_{11}	F_{12}
F_{21}	F_{22}

Feature map

I_{11}	I_{12}	I_{13}
I_{21}	I_{22}	I_{23}
I_{31}	I_{32}	I_{33}

Output

Feature map

O_{11}	O_{21}
O_{21}	O_{22}

Convolution



Convert to matrix multiply using the **Toeplitz Matrix**

Matrix Multiply (Toeplitz Matrix)

F_{11}	F_{12}	F_{21}	F_{22}
----------	----------	----------	----------

\times

I_{11}	I_{12}	I_{21}	I_{22}
I_{12}	I_{13}	I_{22}	I_{23}
I_{21}	I_{22}	I_{31}	I_{32}
I_{22}	I_{23}	I_{32}	I_{33}

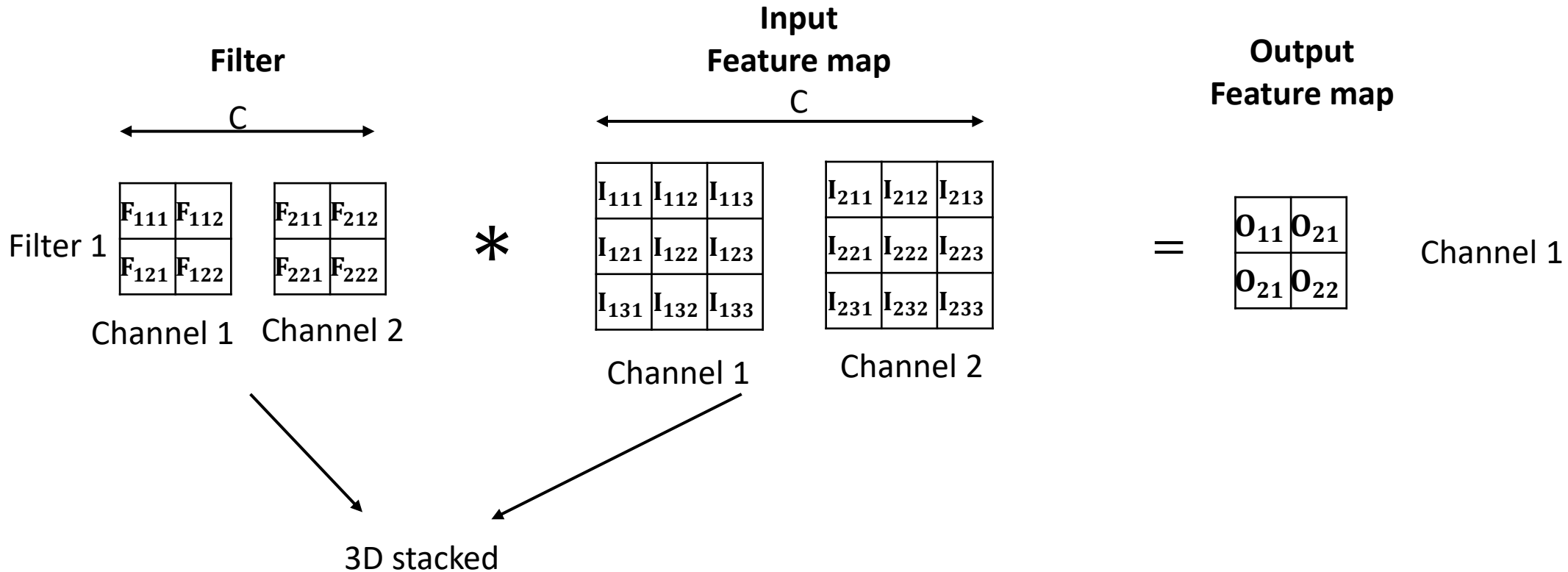
$=$

O_{11}	O_{21}	O_{21}	O_{22}
----------	----------	----------	----------

Data is repeated(redundant data)

Flattened Convolution Layer

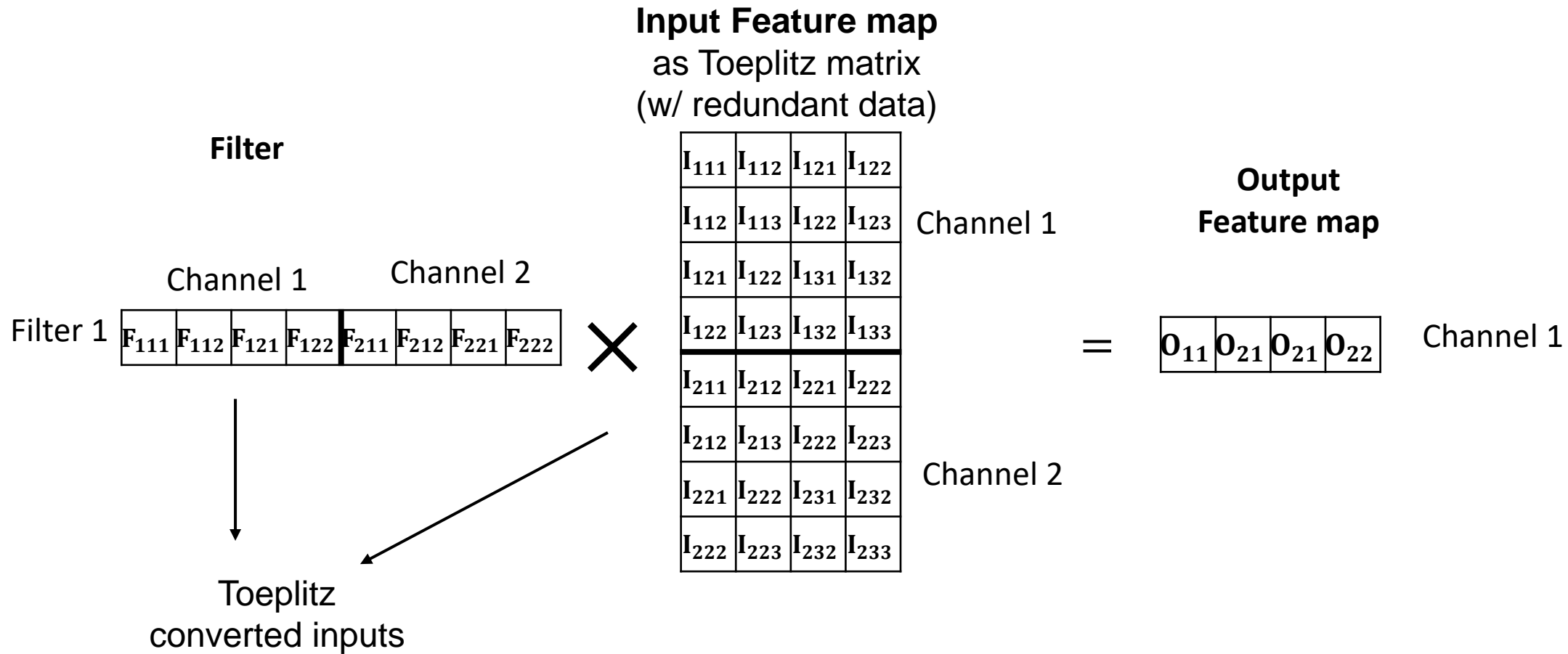
- Multiple Input Channels



Flattened Convolution Layer

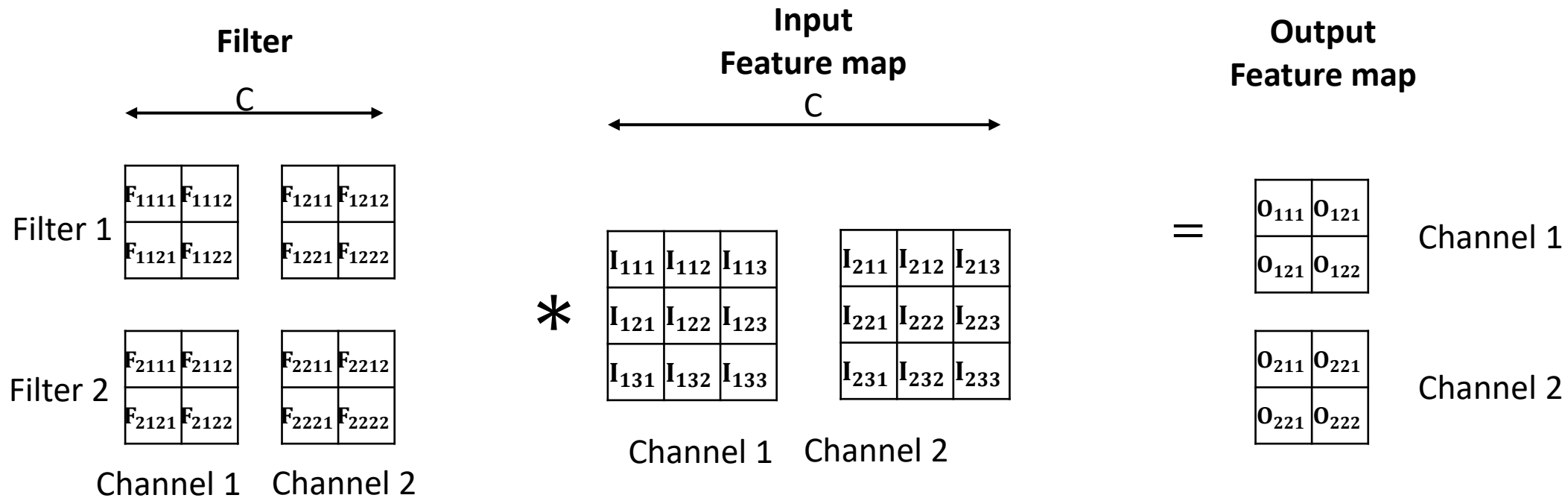


- Multiple Input Channels



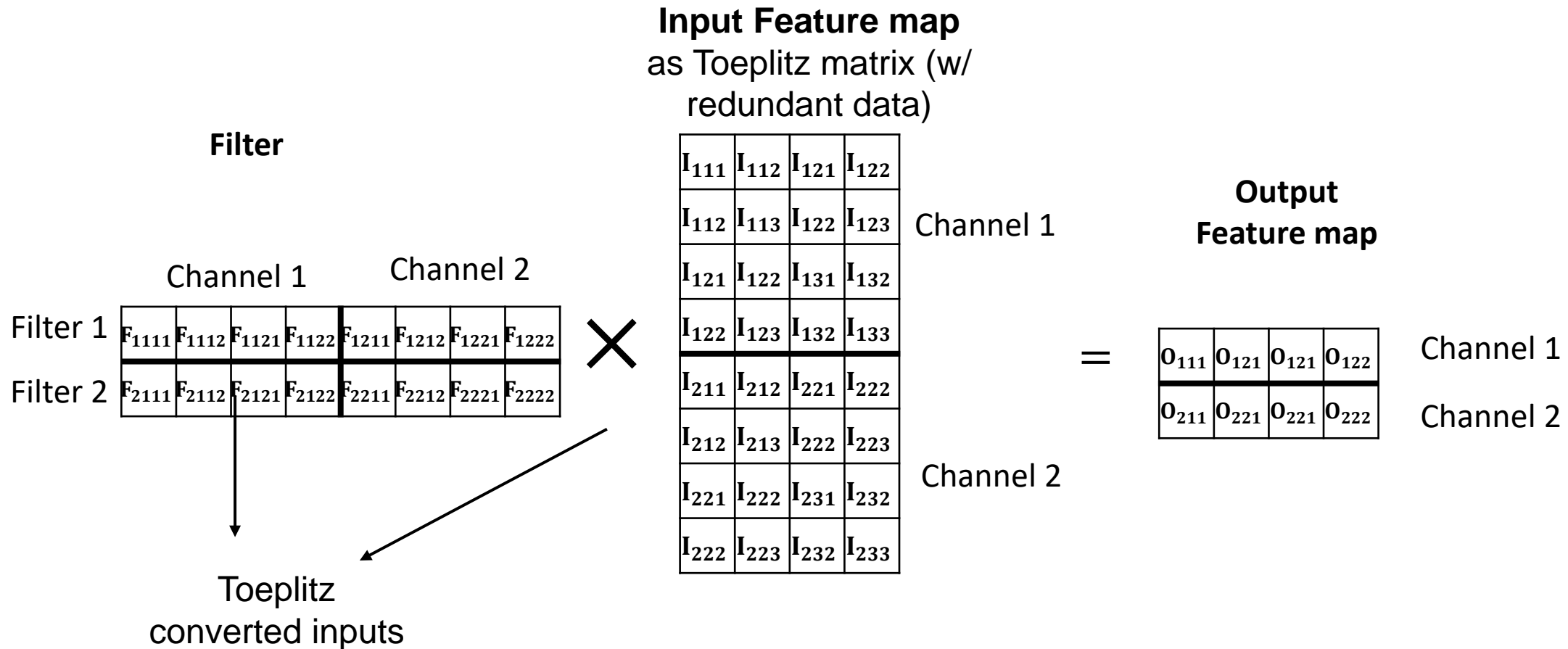
Flattened Convolution Layer

- Multiple Output Channels



Flattened Convolution Layer

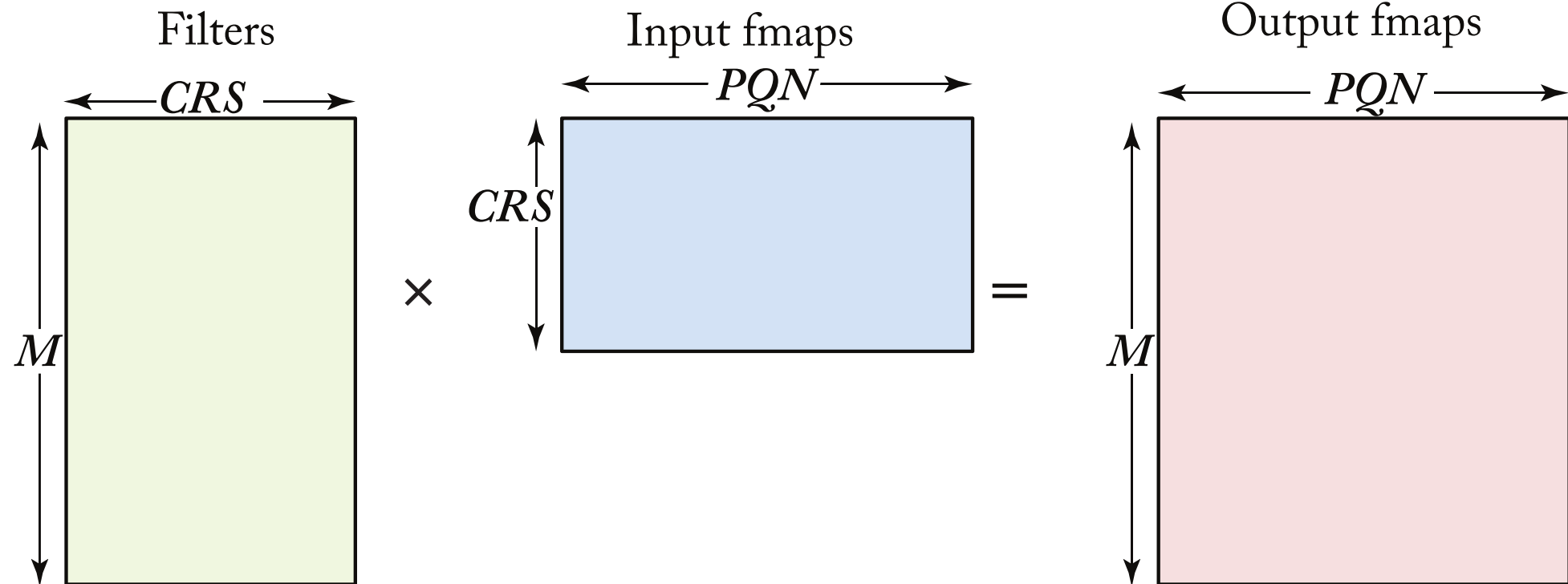
- Multiple Output Channels



Flattened Convolution Layer

- Dimensions of matrices for matrix multiply in convolution layers with batch size N

$$P = \frac{H - R + U}{U}, Q = \frac{W - S + U}{U}$$

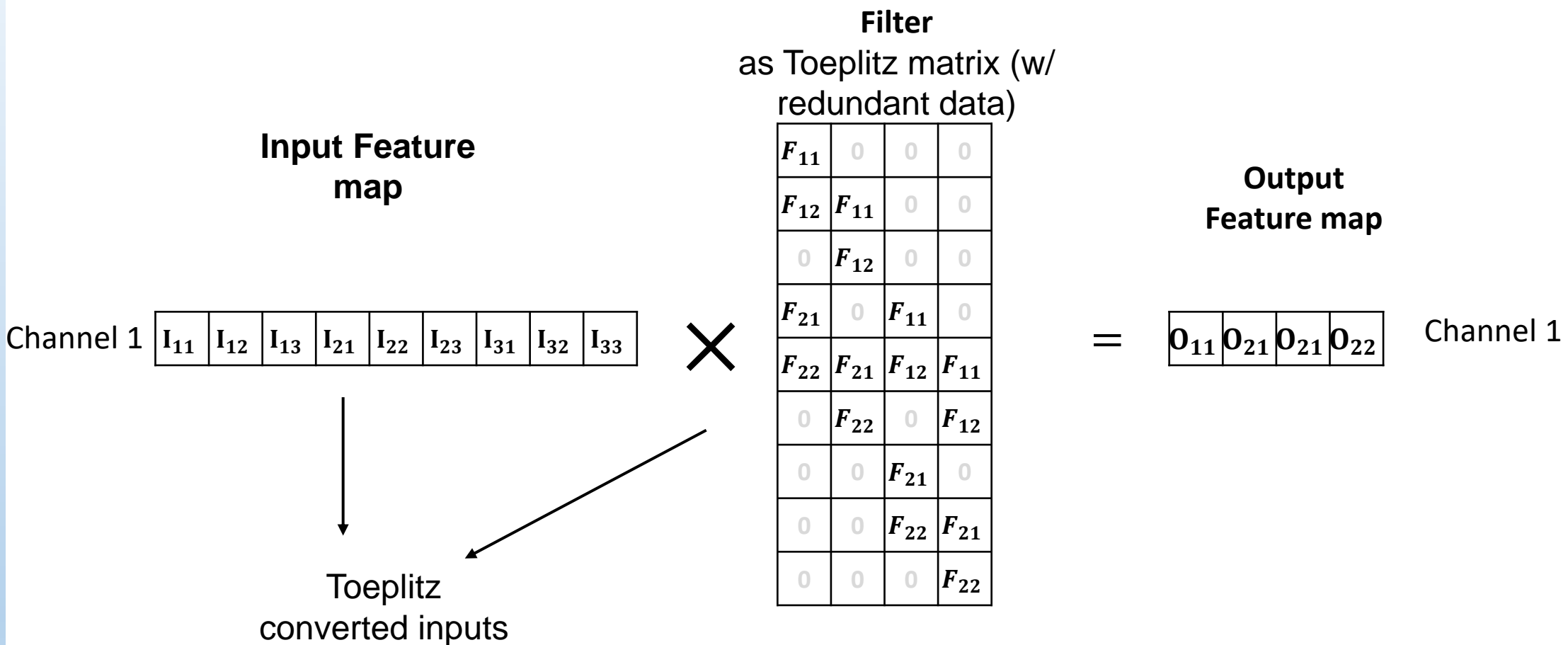


Weight Replication of CONV



- Since the filter size is typically much smaller than the size of the input feature map
 - We can also convert convolution into a matrix multiply by replicating the filter weights to correspond to the filter weight convolutional reuse
- Result in **sparse matrix**
 - Inefficiency in storage
 - Complex memory access pattern

Weight Replication of CONV



Weight Replication vs. Input Replication



I_{11}	I_{12}	I_{13}	I_{21}	I_{22}	I_{23}	I_{31}	I_{32}	I_{33}
----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------

×

F_{11}	0	0	0
F_{12}	F_{11}	0	0
0	F_{12}	0	0
F_{21}	0	F_{11}	0
F_{22}	F_{21}	F_{12}	F_{11}
0	F_{22}	0	F_{12}
0	0	F_{21}	0
0	0	F_{22}	F_{21}
0	0	0	F_{22}

Weight Replication

- Required Memory = $9 + 9 \times 4 = 45$

F_{11}	F_{12}	F_{21}	F_{22}
----------	----------	----------	----------

×

I_{11}	I_{12}	I_{21}	I_{22}
I_{12}	I_{13}	I_{22}	I_{23}
I_{21}	I_{22}	I_{31}	I_{32}
I_{22}	I_{23}	I_{32}	I_{33}

Input Replication

- Required Memory = $4 + 4 \times 4 = 20$

Outline

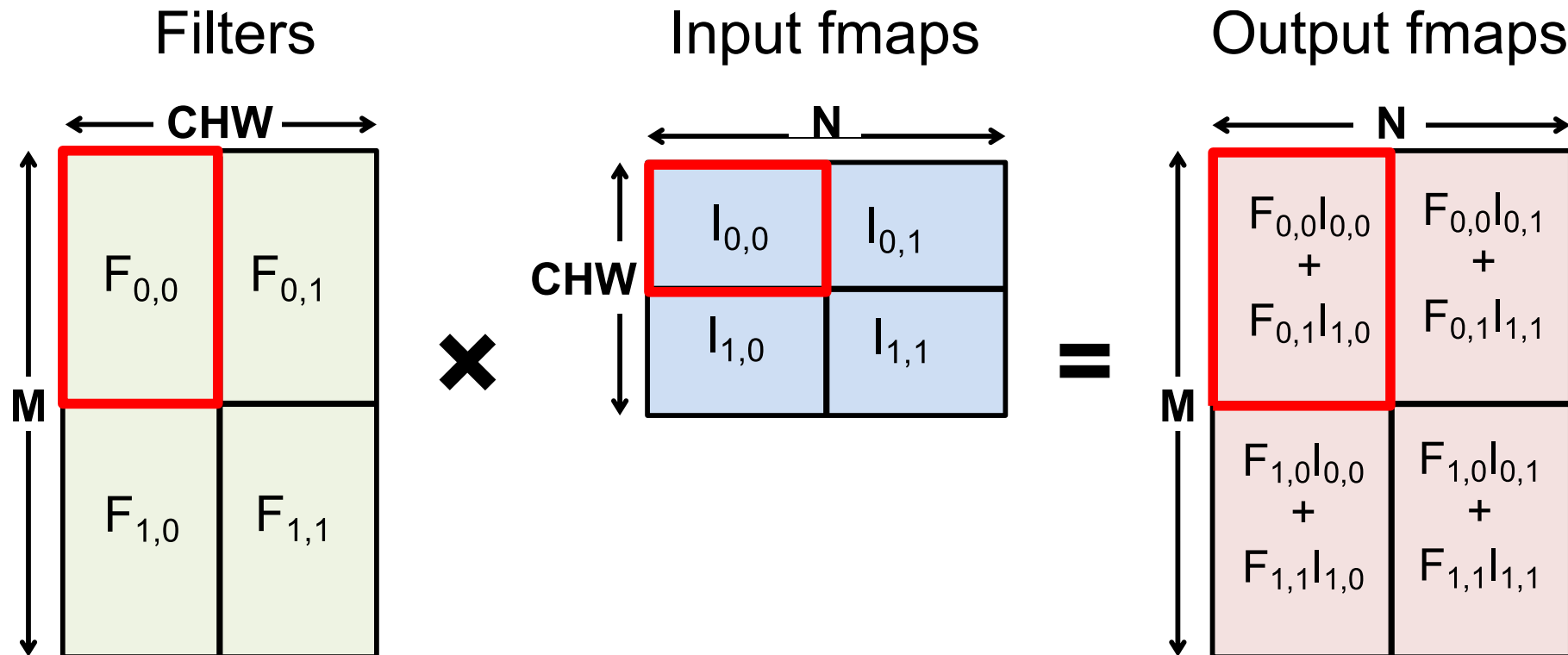


- Overview
- Matrix Multiplication Based Convolution
- **Tiling for Optimizing Performance**
- Computation Transform Optimizations

Tiled Computation of Matrix Multiplication



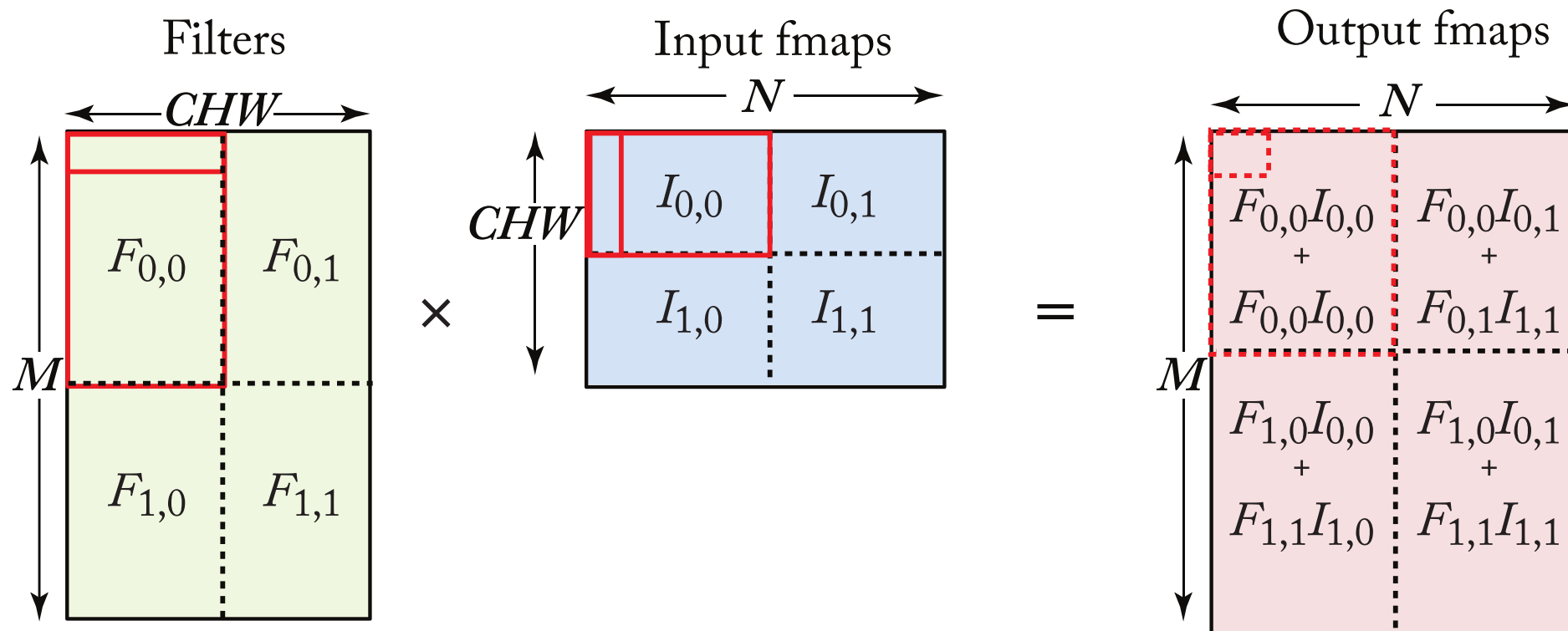
- Matrix multiply tiled to fit in cache and computation ordered to maximize reuse of data in cache



Tiled Computation of Matrix Multiplication



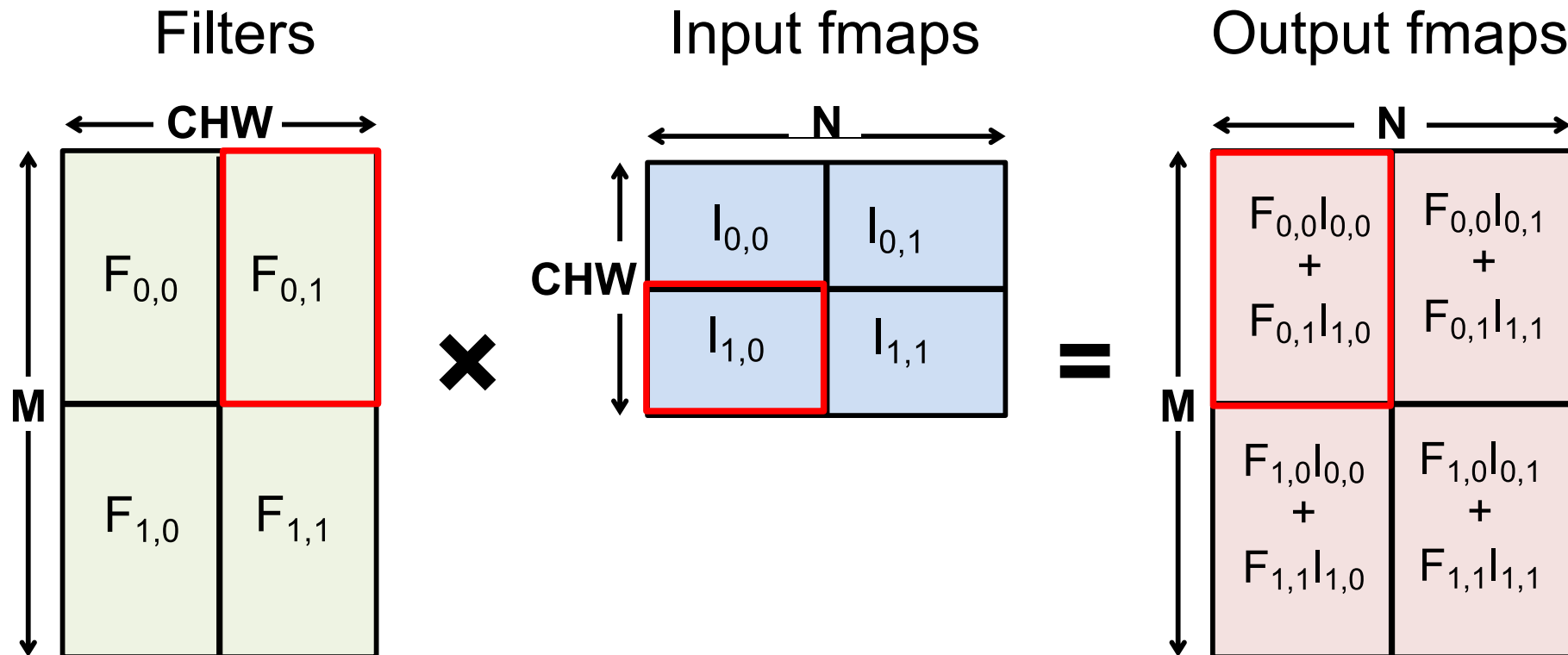
- Matrix multiply tiled to fit in cache and computation ordered to maximize reuse of data in cache



Tiled Computation of Matrix Multiplication



- Matrix multiply tiled to fit in cache and computation ordered to maximize reuse of data in cache



Matrix Multiplication

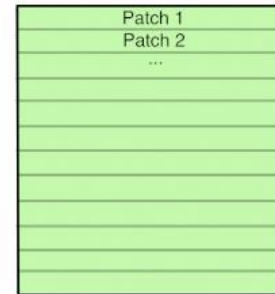
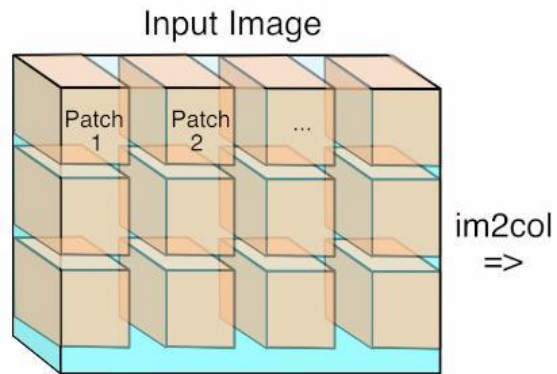


- Implementation: Matrix Multiplication (GEMM)
 - CPU: OpenBLAS, Intel MKL, etc
 - GPU: cuBLAS, cuDNN, etc
- Library will note shape of the matrix multiply and select implementation optimized for that shape.
- Optimization usually involves proper tiling to storage hierarchy
- Attempt to maximize reuse of the values held in the smaller, faster, and more energy-efficient memories

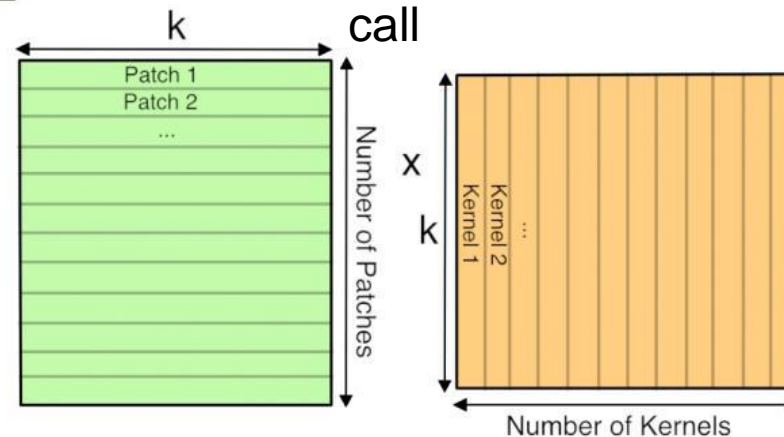
GEMM Based Convolution

- Flatten input data and kernels, solve the convolution as a matrix multiplication problem

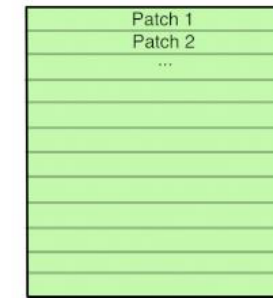
Step1: data flattening



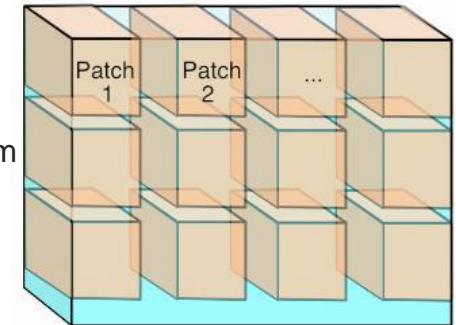
Step2: matrix multiply
Usually mapped into a
BLAS (Basic Linear
Algebra Subprogram)



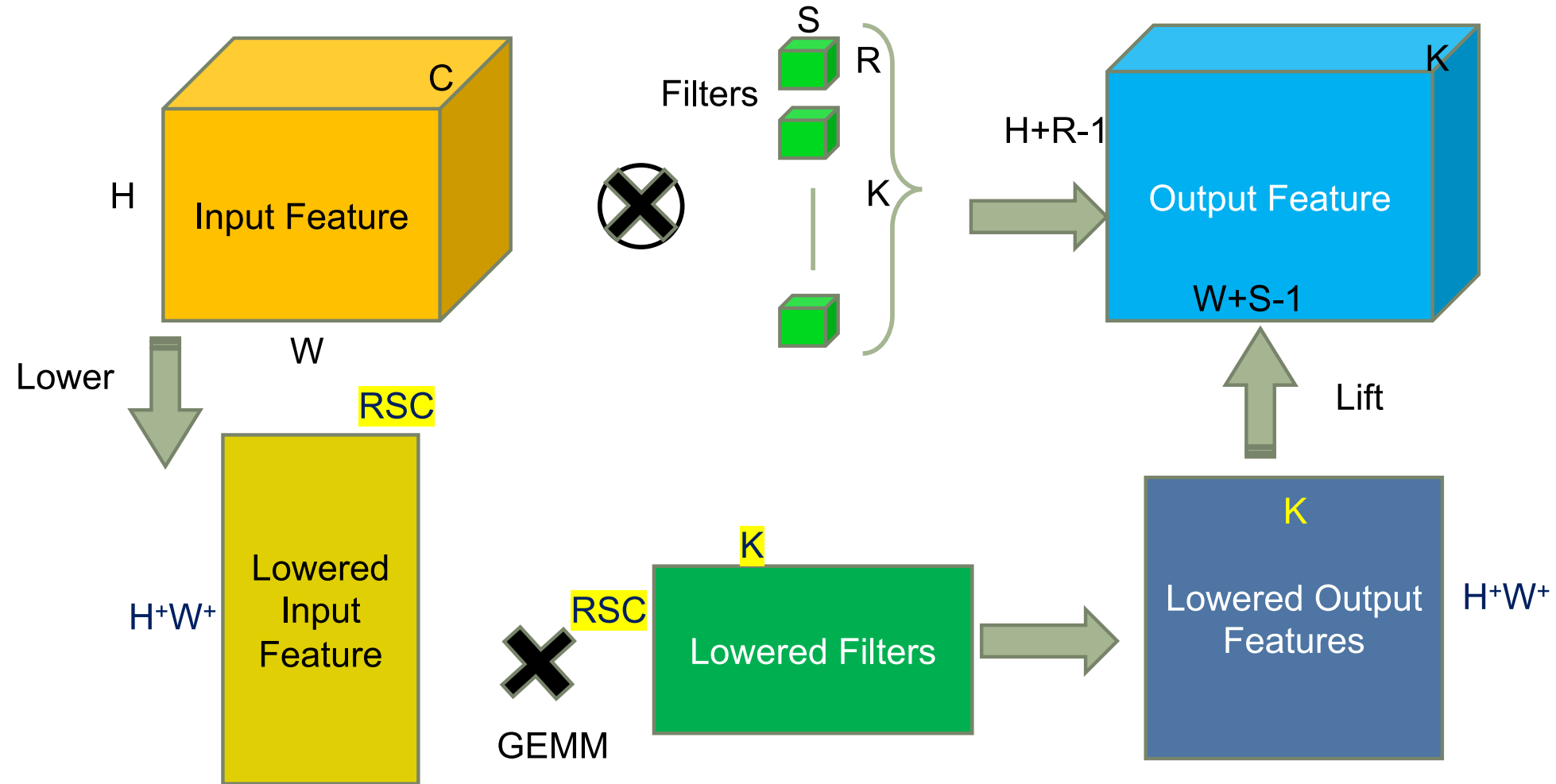
Step3: data unflattening



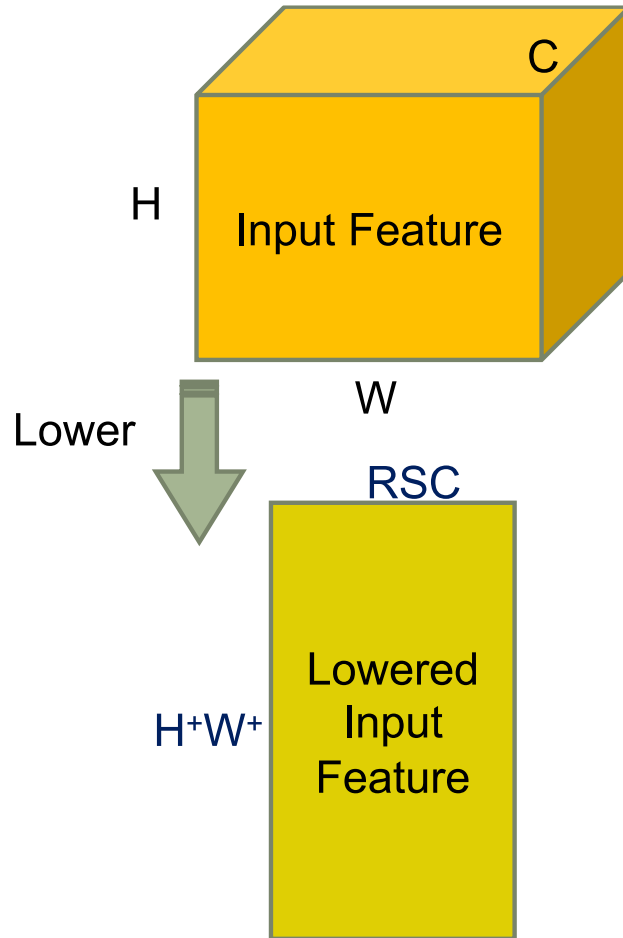
col2im \Rightarrow



Im2Col



What Really Happened?



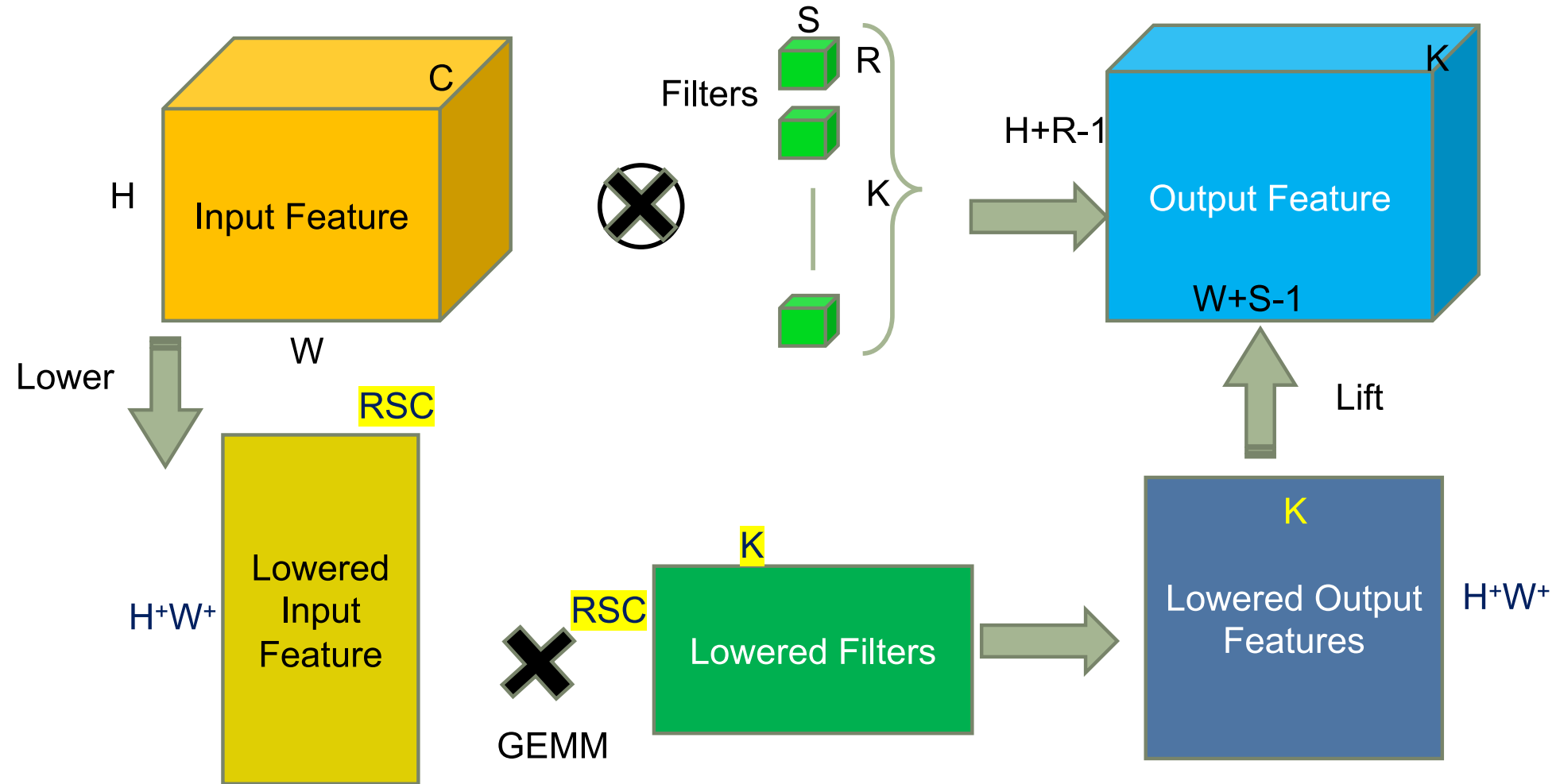
What was the tensor size?

What is lowered matrix means?

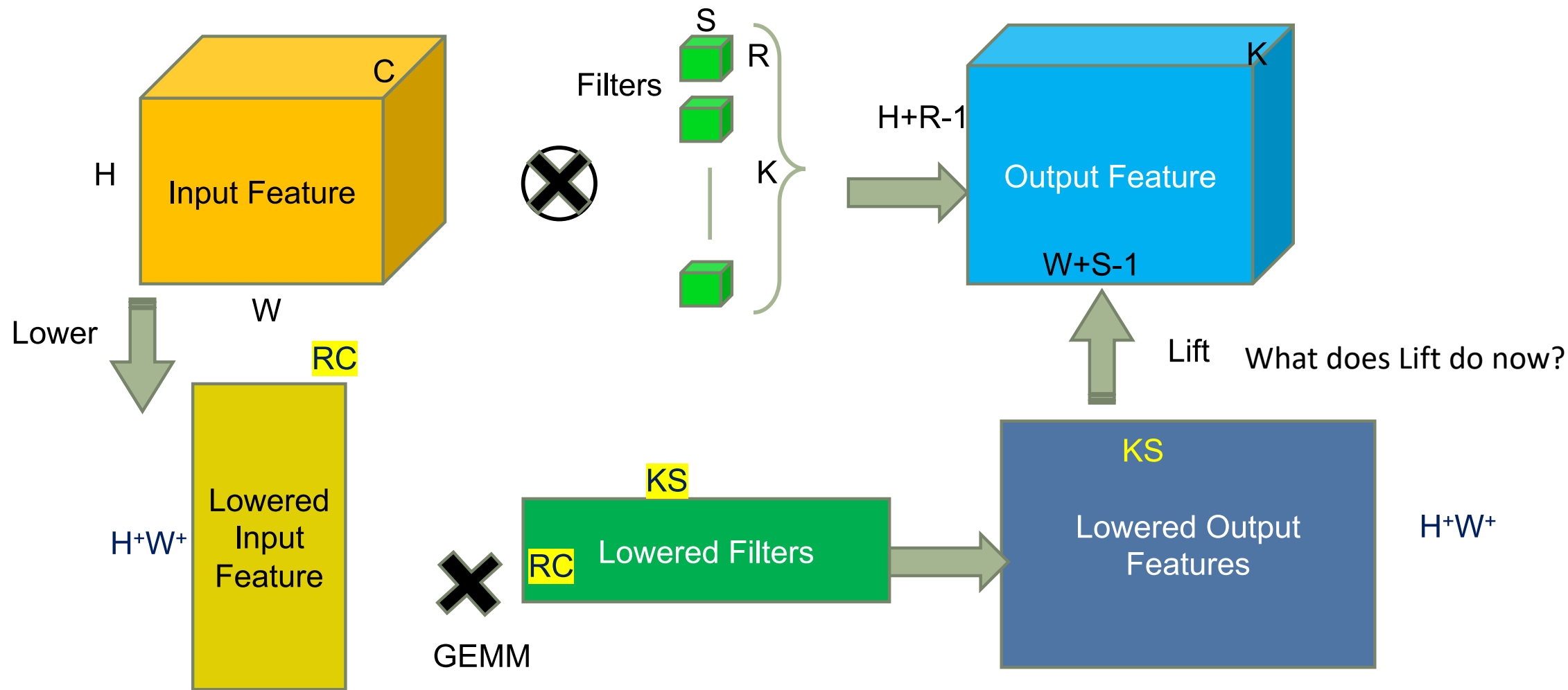
What does lowering mean?

What is the impact on Memory?

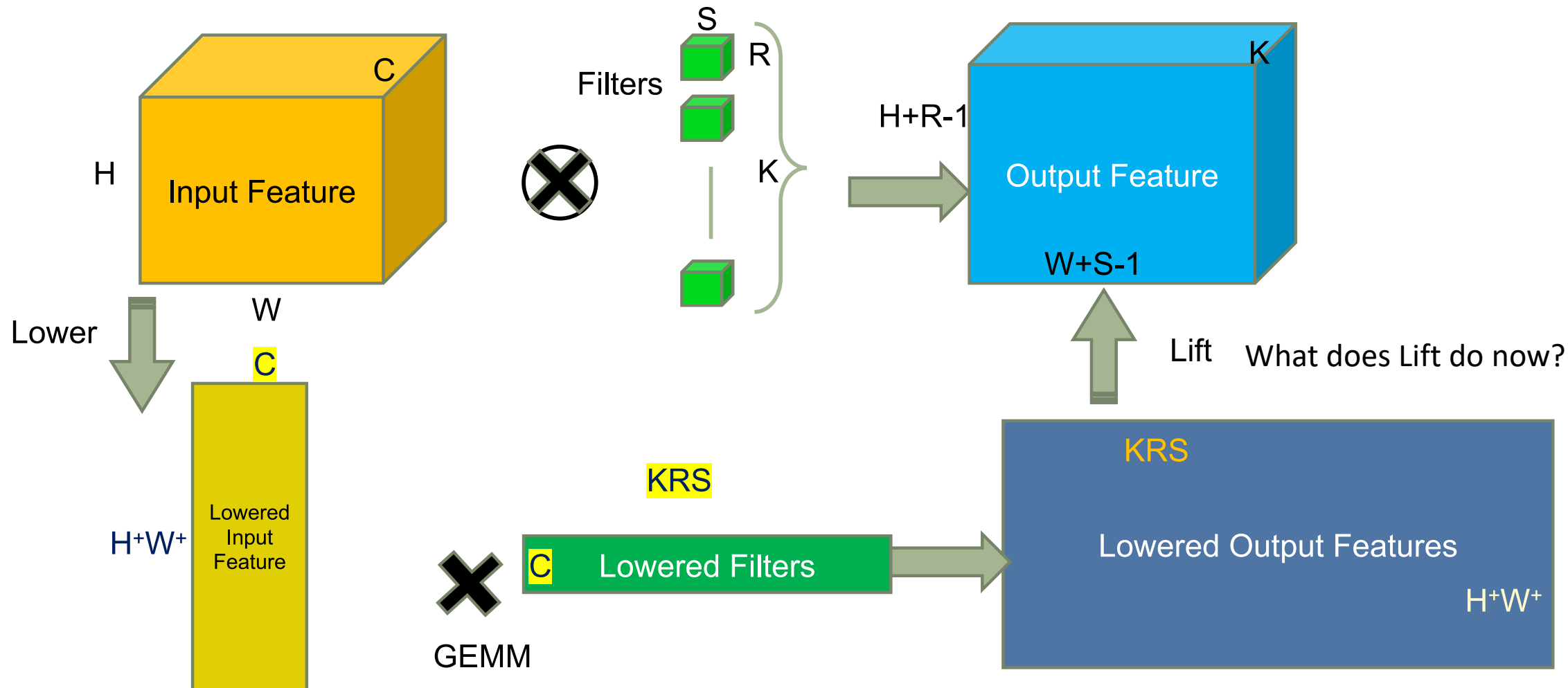
Im2Col



Do We Have Other Options?

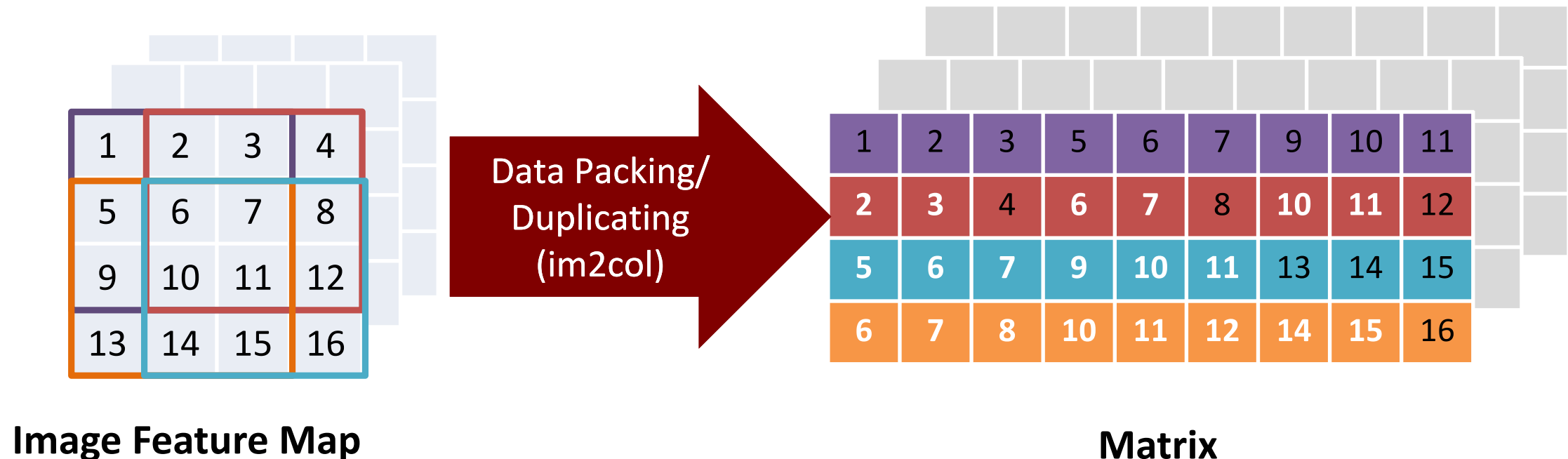


Do We Have Other Options?



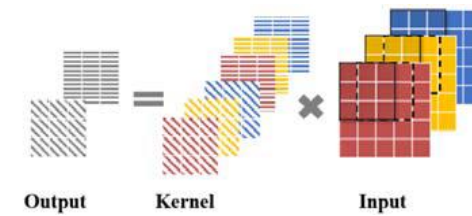
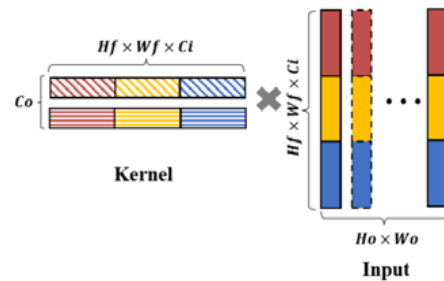
Conventional Approach Penalizes Memory To Optimize Performance

- Casts convolution to Matrix-Matrix-Multiplication, in order to utilize high performance MMM implementations in **Basic-Linear-Algebra-Subroutines(BLAS)** libraries



Direct Convolution is Better

- Higher performance, zero memory overheads



	Matrix-Matrix-Multiplication	Direct Convolution
Packing	Yes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Over 10x additional memory for image data• Performance penalty	No <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zero memory overheads• No performance penalty
Computation Performance	Less than expected theoretic peak of GEMM	Close to system's theoretic peak

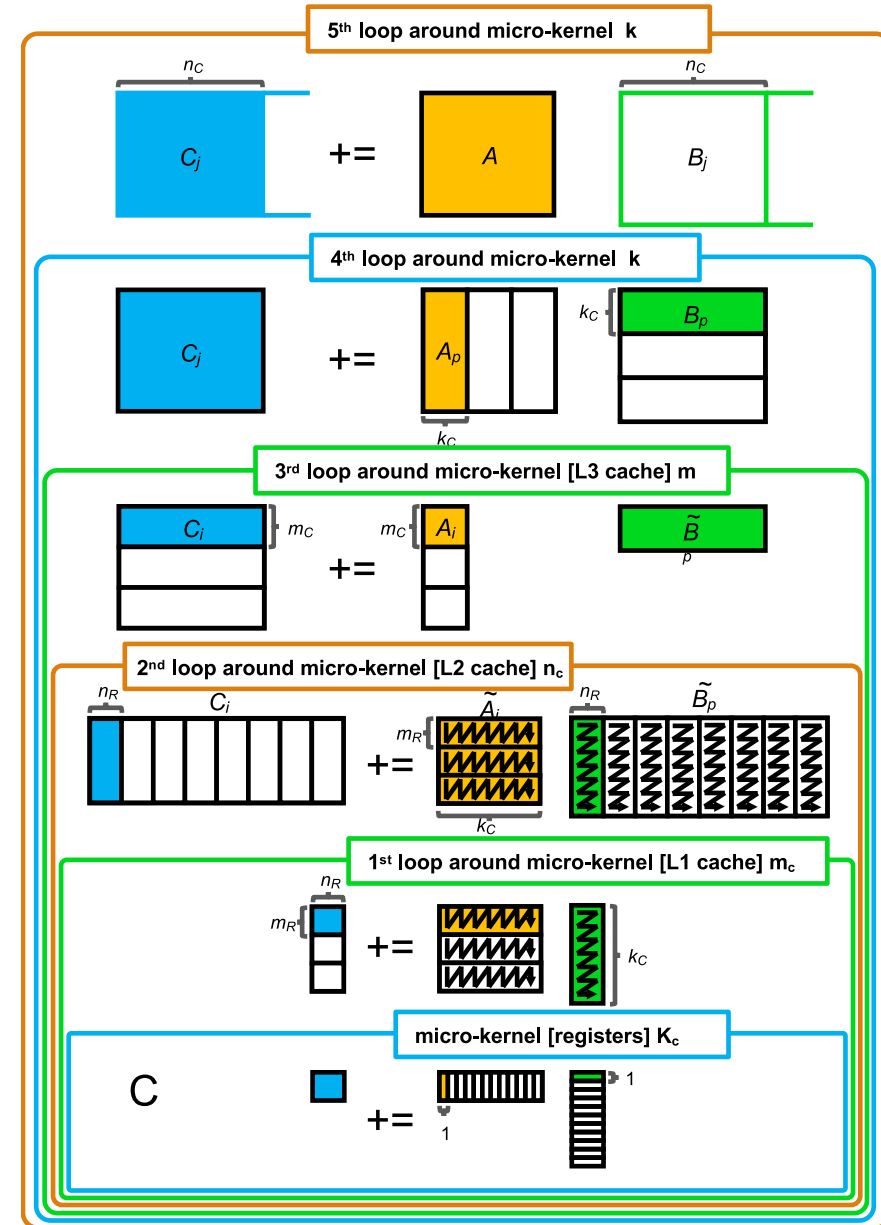
GEMM Loops

- Rules for each new character
 - Buffers
 - Re-fetch rate
- $m_r n_r k_c m_c n_c m k n$
- $m_0 n_0 k_0 m_1 n_1 m_2 k_1 n_2$

```

for  $j_c = 0, \dots, n - 1$  in steps of  $n_c$ 
  for  $p_c = 0, \dots, k - 1$  in steps of  $k_c$ 
     $B(p_c : p_c + k_c - 1, j_c : j_c + n_c - 1) \rightarrow B_c$ 
    for  $i_c = 0, \dots, m - 1$  in steps of  $m_c$ 
       $A(i_c : i_c + m_c - 1, p_c : p_c + k_c - 1) \rightarrow A_c$ 
      for  $j_r = 0, \dots, n_c - 1$  in steps of  $n_r$ 
        for  $i_r = 0, \dots, m_c - 1$  in steps of  $m_r$ 
          for  $p_r = 0, \dots, k_c - 1$  in steps of 1
             $C_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
               $+= A_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, p_r)$ 
                 $\cdot B_c(p_r, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 

```



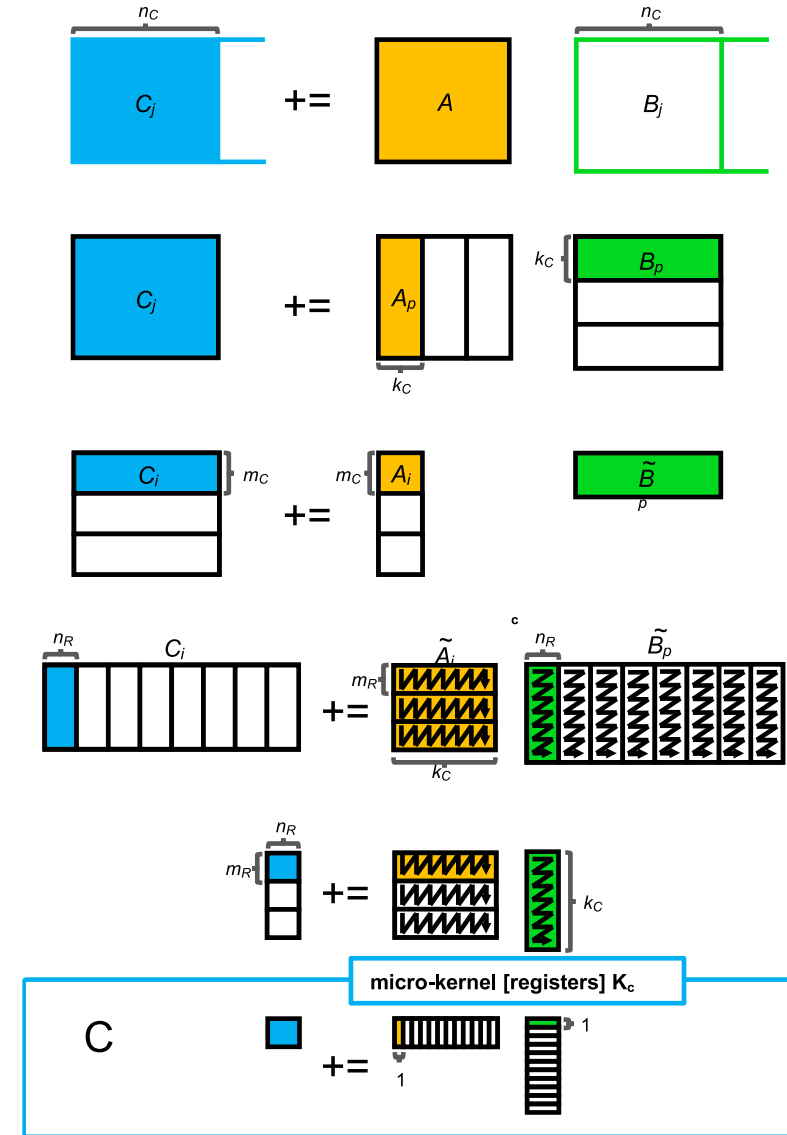
GEMM Loops

- Rules for each new character
 - Buffers
 - Re-fetch rate
- $m_r \ n_r \ k_c$
- $m_0 \ n_0 \ k_0$

```

for  $j_c = 0, \dots, n - 1$  in steps of  $n_c$ 
  for  $p_c = 0, \dots, k - 1$  in steps of  $k_c$ 
     $B(p_c : p_c + k_c - 1, j_c : j_c + n_c - 1) \rightarrow B_c$ 
    for  $i_c = 0, \dots, m - 1$  in steps of  $m_c$ 
       $A(i_c : i_c + m_c - 1, p_c : p_c + k_c - 1) \rightarrow A_c$ 
      for  $j_r = 0, \dots, n_c - 1$  in steps of  $n_r$ 
        for  $i_r = 0, \dots, m_c - 1$  in steps of  $m_r$ 
          for  $p_r = 0, \dots, k_c - 1$  in steps of 1
             $C_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
               $+= A_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, p_r)$ 
                 $\cdot B_c(p_r, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 

```



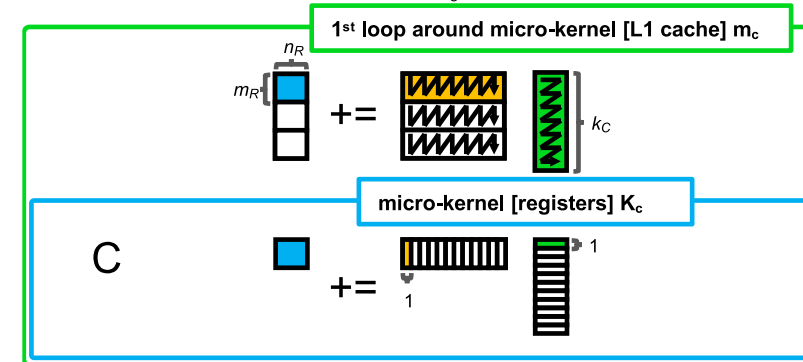
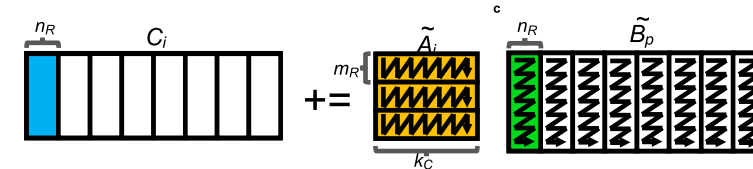
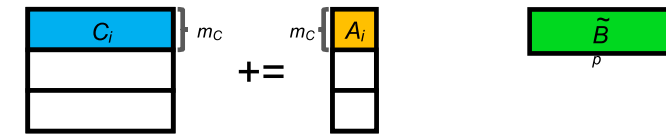
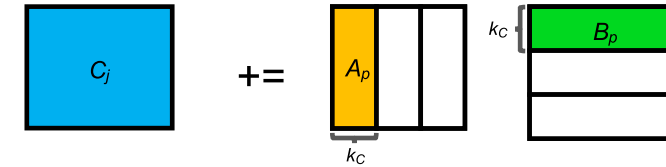
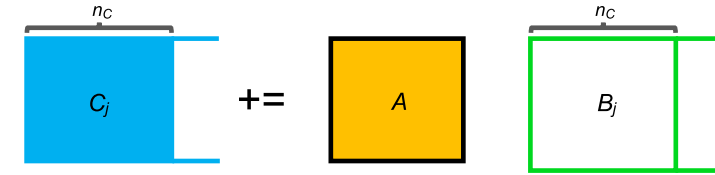
GEMM Loops



- Rules for each new character
 - Buffers
 - Re-fetch rate
- $m_r \ n_r \ k_c \ m_c$
- $m_0 \ n_0 \ k_0 \ m_1$

```

for  $j_c = 0, \dots, n - 1$  in steps of  $n_c$ 
  for  $p_c = 0, \dots, k - 1$  in steps of  $k_c$ 
     $B(p_c : p_c + k_c - 1, j_c : j_c + n_c - 1) \rightarrow B_c$ 
    for  $i_c = 0, \dots, m - 1$  in steps of  $m_c$ 
       $A(i_c : i_c + m_c - 1, p_c : p_c + k_c - 1) \rightarrow A_c$ 
      for  $j_r = 0, \dots, n_c - 1$  in steps of  $n_r$ 
        for  $i_r = 0, \dots, m_c - 1$  in steps of  $m_r$ 
          for  $p_r = 0, \dots, k_c - 1$  in steps of 1
             $C_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
               $+= A_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, p_r)$ 
                 $\cdot B_c(p_r, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
    
```



GEMM Loops

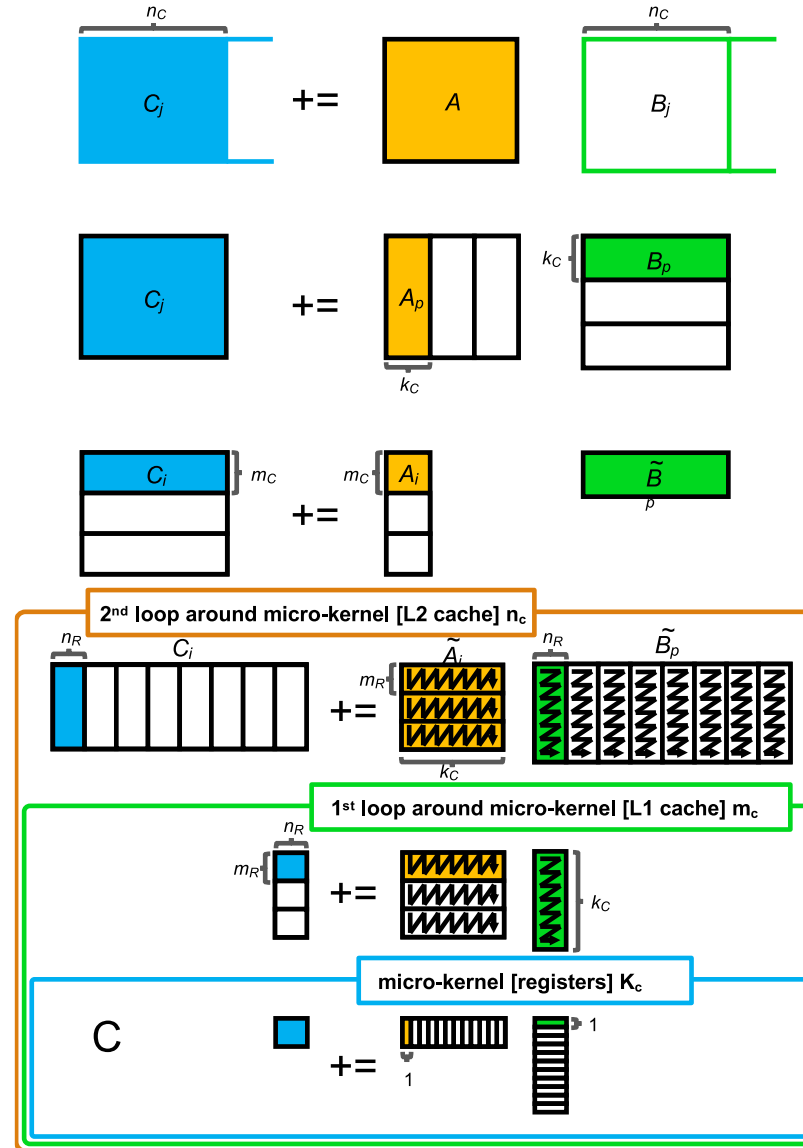


- Rules for each new character
 - Buffers
 - Re-fetch rate
- $m_r \ n_r \ k_c \ m_c \ n_c$
- $m_0 \ n_0 \ k_0 \ m_1 \ n_1$

```

for  $j_c = 0, \dots, n - 1$  in steps of  $n_c$ 
  for  $p_c = 0, \dots, k - 1$  in steps of  $k_c$ 
     $B(p_c : p_c + k_c - 1, j_c : j_c + n_c - 1) \rightarrow B_c$ 
    for  $i_c = 0, \dots, m - 1$  in steps of  $m_c$ 
       $A(i_c : i_c + m_c - 1, p_c : p_c + k_c - 1) \rightarrow A_c$ 
      for  $j_r = 0, \dots, n_c - 1$  in steps of  $n_r$ 
        for  $i_r = 0, \dots, m_c - 1$  in steps of  $m_r$ 
          for  $p_r = 0, \dots, k_c - 1$  in steps of 1
             $C_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
               $+= A_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, p_r)$ 
                 $\cdot B_c(p_r, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 

```

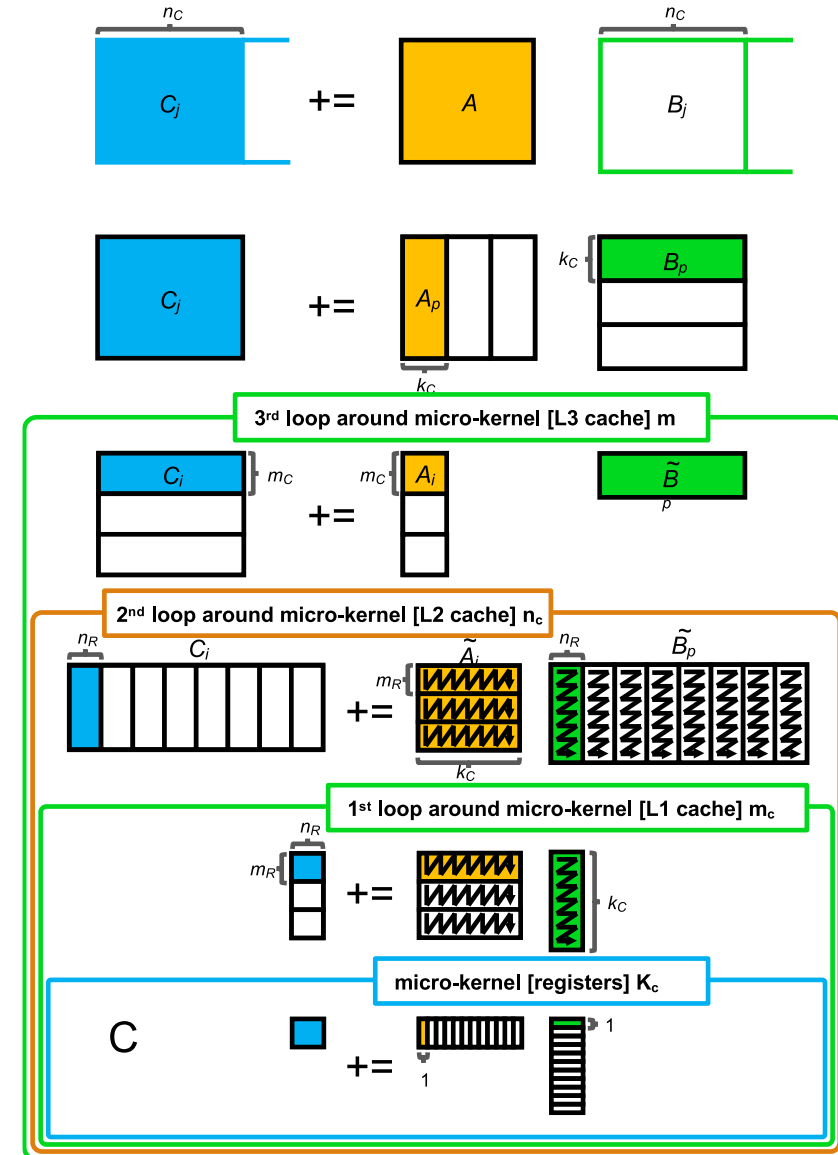


GEMM Loops

- Rules for each new character
 - Buffers
 - Re-fetch rate
- $m_r \ n_r \ k_c \ m_c \ n_c \ m$
- $m_0 \ n_0 \ k_0 \ m_1 \ n_1 \ m_2$

```

for  $j_c = 0, \dots, n - 1$  in steps of  $n_c$ 
  for  $p_c = 0, \dots, k - 1$  in steps of  $k_c$ 
     $B(p_c : p_c + k_c - 1, j_c : j_c + n_c - 1) \rightarrow B_c$ 
    for  $i_c = 0, \dots, m - 1$  in steps of  $m_c$ 
       $A(i_c : i_c + m_c - 1, p_c : p_c + k_c - 1) \rightarrow A_c$ 
      for  $j_r = 0, \dots, n_c - 1$  in steps of  $n_r$ 
        for  $i_r = 0, \dots, m_c - 1$  in steps of  $m_r$ 
          for  $p_r = 0, \dots, k_c - 1$  in steps of 1
             $C_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
               $+= A_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, p_r)$ 
                 $\cdot B_c(p_r, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
    
```



GEMM Loops

- Rules for each new character
 - Buffers
 - Re-fetch rate
- $m_r \ n_r \ k_c \ m_c \ n_c \ m \ k$
- $m_0 \ n_0 \ k_0 \ m_1 \ n_1 \ m_2 \ k_1$

for $j_c = 0, \dots, n - 1$ in steps of n_c

for $p_c = 0, \dots, k - 1$ in steps of k_c

$B(p_c : p_c + k_c - 1, j_c : j_c + n_c - 1) \rightarrow B_c$

for $i_c = 0, \dots, m - 1$ in steps of m_c

$A(i_c : i_c + m_c - 1, p_c : p_c + k_c - 1) \rightarrow A_c$

for $j_r = 0, \dots, n_c - 1$ in steps of n_r

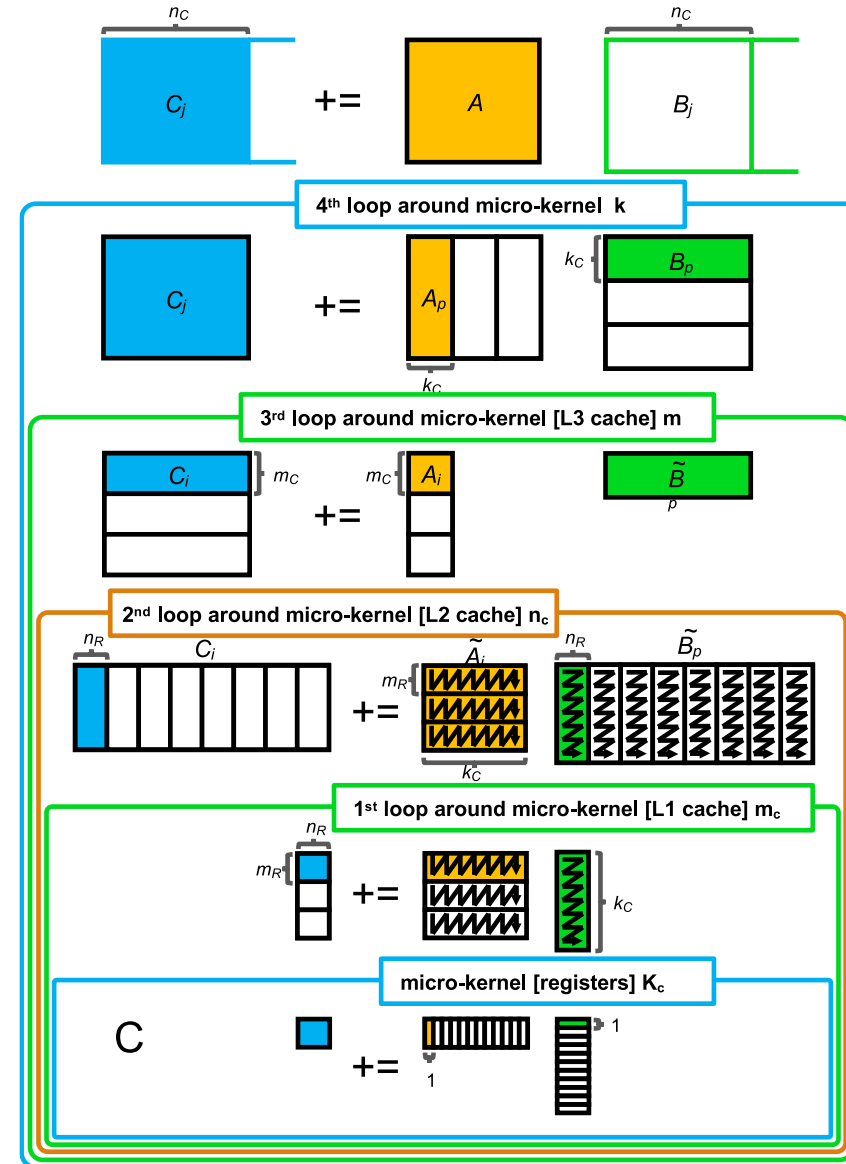
for $i_r = 0, \dots, m_c - 1$ in steps of m_r

for $p_r = 0, \dots, k_c - 1$ in steps of 1

$C_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$

$\quad \quad \quad += A_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, p_r)$

$\quad \quad \quad \cdot B_c(p_r, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$

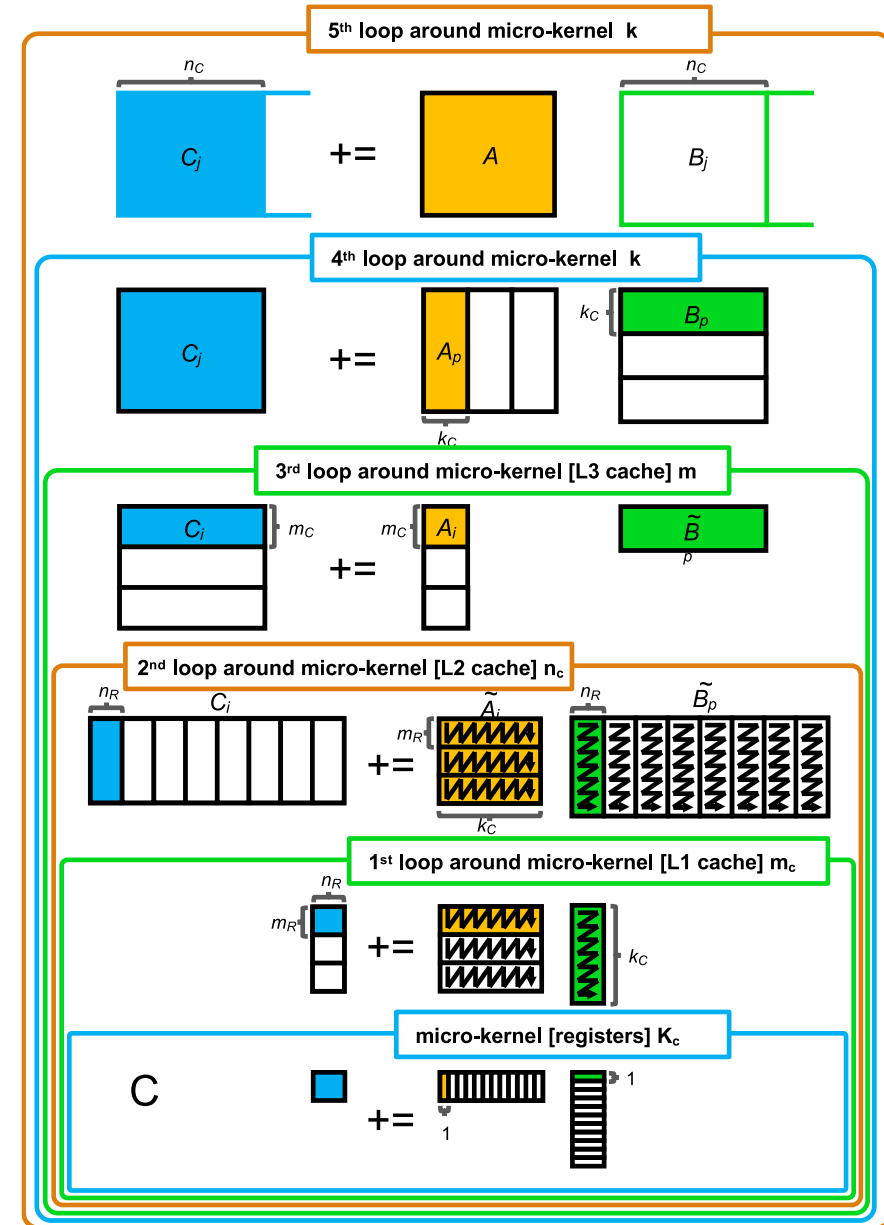


GEMM Loops

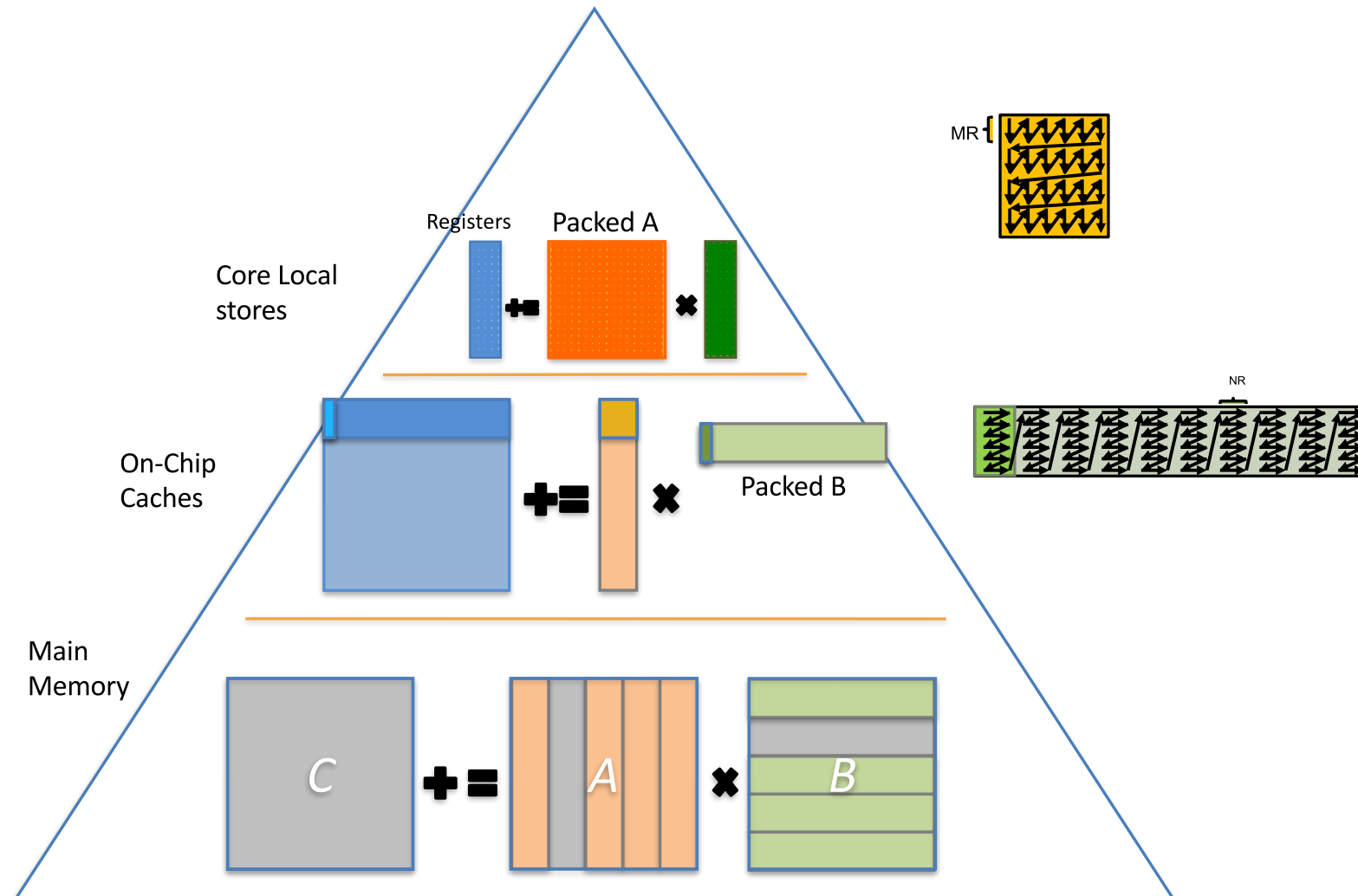
- Rules for each new character
 - Buffers
 - Re-fetch rate
- $m_r n_r k_c m_c n_c m k n$
- $m_0 n_0 k_0 m_1 n_1 m_2 k_1 n_2$

```

for  $j_c = 0, \dots, n - 1$  in steps of  $n_c$ 
  for  $p_c = 0, \dots, k - 1$  in steps of  $k_c$ 
     $B(p_c : p_c + k_c - 1, j_c : j_c + n_c - 1) \rightarrow B_c$ 
    for  $i_c = 0, \dots, m - 1$  in steps of  $m_c$ 
       $A(i_c : i_c + m_c - 1, p_c : p_c + k_c - 1) \rightarrow A_c$ 
      for  $j_r = 0, \dots, n_c - 1$  in steps of  $n_r$ 
        for  $i_r = 0, \dots, m_c - 1$  in steps of  $m_r$ 
          for  $p_r = 0, \dots, k_c - 1$  in steps of 1
             $C_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
               $+= A_c(i_r : i_r + m_r - 1, p_r)$ 
                 $\cdot B_c(p_r, j_r : j_r + n_r - 1)$ 
    
```



Memory Hierarchy with GEMM



Tiling For Optimizing Performance



- Improve efficiency at each level of the memory hierarchy
- Tiling can also be applied to parallelize the computation across multiple CPUs or the many threads of a GPU
- Must consider replacement policy of associative caches to achieve optimal performance
 - Least Recently Used(LRU)
 - Dynamic Re-Reference Interval Prediction (DRRIP)
- GEMM library will dynamically select and run the most appropriate implementation
 - Layer shape, hardware platform, etc.

Tiling For Optimizing Performance



- Compilers optimize a user-written program for tiling
- Creating a polyhedral model of the computation and using a Boolean satisfiability (SAT) solver to optimally tile and schedule the program. [1]
- Decouples the basic expression of the algorithm from user-provided annotations that describe the desired scheduling and tiling of the algorithm. [2]
- GCC, LLVM

[1] Lam, M. D., Rothberg, E. E., & Wolf, M. E. (1991). The cache performance and optimizations of blocked algorithms. *ACM SIGOPS Operating Systems Review*, 25(Special Issue), 63-74.

[2] Ragan-Kelley, J., Barnes, C., Adams, A., Paris, S., Durand, F., & Amarasinghe, S. (2013). Halide: a language and compiler for optimizing parallelism, locality, and recomputation in image processing pipelines. *Acm Sigplan Notices*, 48(6), 519-530.

Compiler for DNN Hardwares



- TVM – Compiler for DNN hardware
 - Graph-level and operator-level optimizations for DNN workloads across diverse hardware back-ends
 - Tiling for hiding memory latency
 - High-level operator fusion
 - E.g. performing a CONV layer and ReLU together with one pass through memory
 - Mapping to arbitrary hardware primitives
- Maximize data reuse
 - in the memory hierarchy
 - in parallel computation units

Outline



- Overview
- Matrix Multiplication Based Convolution
- Tiling for Optimizing Performance
- Computation Transform Optimizations

Computation Transformations



- Goal
 - Bitwise same result, but reduce number of operations
 - In DNNs, reduce number of multiplications
 - Improve performance
 - Reduce energy consumption
- Focuses mostly on compute
- May come at the cost of
 - More intermediate results
 - Increased number of additions
 - More irregular data access pattern

Gauss's Multiplication Algorithm



- Complex multiplication

$$(ac - bd) + (bc - ad)i$$

- 4 multiplications + 3 additions

- Re-associate operations

$$k_1 = c(a + b)$$

$$k_2 = a(d - c)$$

$$k_3 = b(c + d)$$

$$\text{Real part} = k_1 - k_3$$

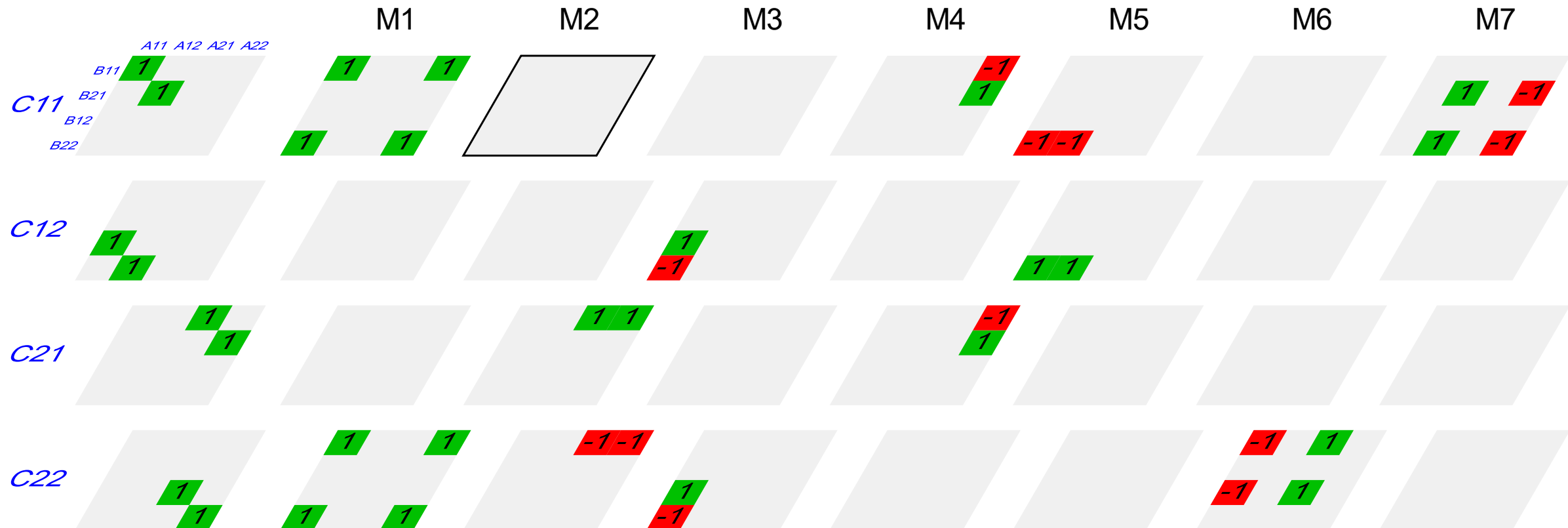
$$\text{Imaginary part} = k_1 + k_2$$

- 3 multiplications + 5 additions

Strassen Matrix Multiplication Transform



$$\bullet \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} \\ C_{21} & C_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$



Strassen Matrix Multiplication Transform



- Matrix multiplication of A and B

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & e \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & ef + dh \end{bmatrix}$$

- 8 multiplications and 4 additions
- Re-associate operations

$$M_1 = a(f - h)$$

$$M_2 = h(a + b)$$

$$M_3 = e(c + d)$$

$$M_4 = d(g - e)$$

$$M_5 = (a + d)(e + h)$$

$$M_6 = (b - d)(g + h)$$

$$M_7 = (a - c)(e + f)$$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} M_5 + M_4 - M_2 + M_6 & M_1 + M_2 \\ M_3 + M_4 & M_1 + M_5 - M_3 - M_7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 7 multiplications and 18 additions, creation of 7 intermediate values

Asymptotic Complexity of Strassen



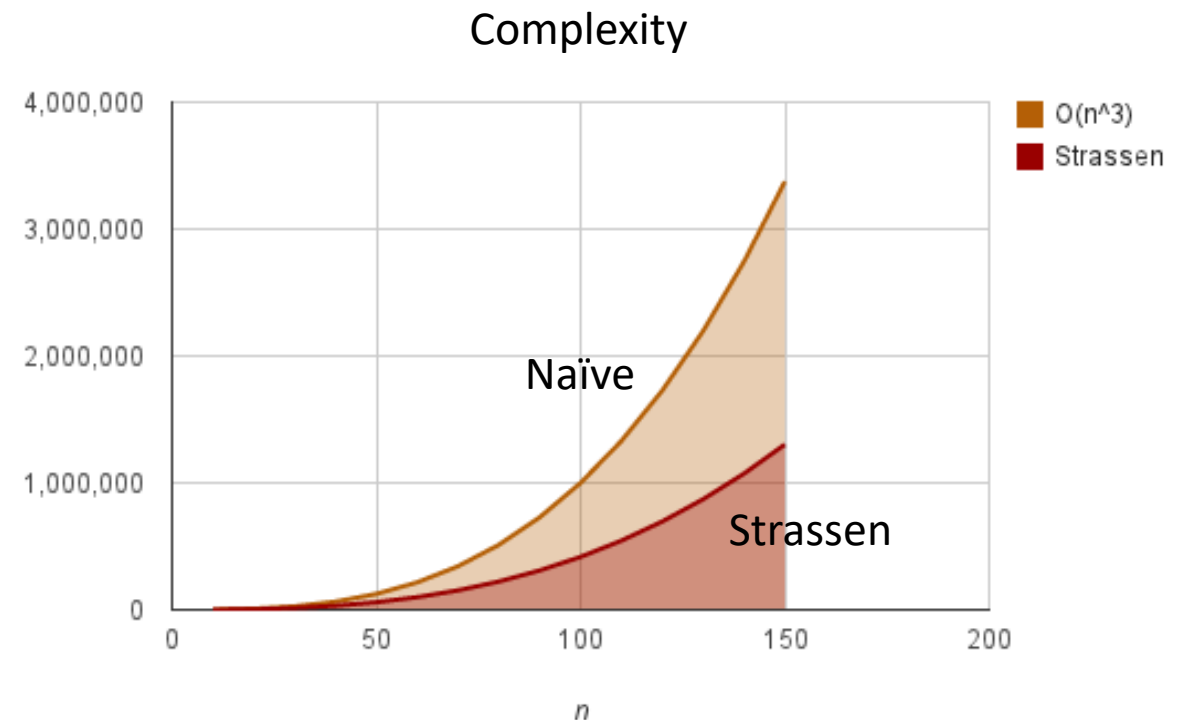
- Asymptotic complexity of matrix multiplication $\Theta(N^3)$, $N = 2^n$
 $f(n)$ = number of operations for a $2^n \times 2^n$ matrix
- Recursive apply Strassen algorithm
$$f(n) = 7f(n-1) + l4^n = (7 + o(1))^n$$

l =some constant depends on the number of additions in Strassen
- Asymptotic complexity using Strassen
$$\Theta\left((7 + o(1))^n\right) = \Theta(N^{\log_2 7 + o(1)}) \approx \Theta(N^{2.8074})$$

Asymptotic Complexity of Strassen



- Reduce the complexity of matrix multiplication from $\Theta(N^3)$ to $\Theta(N^{2.8074})$ by reducing multiplications
- Comes at the price of reduced numerical stability and requires significantly more memory

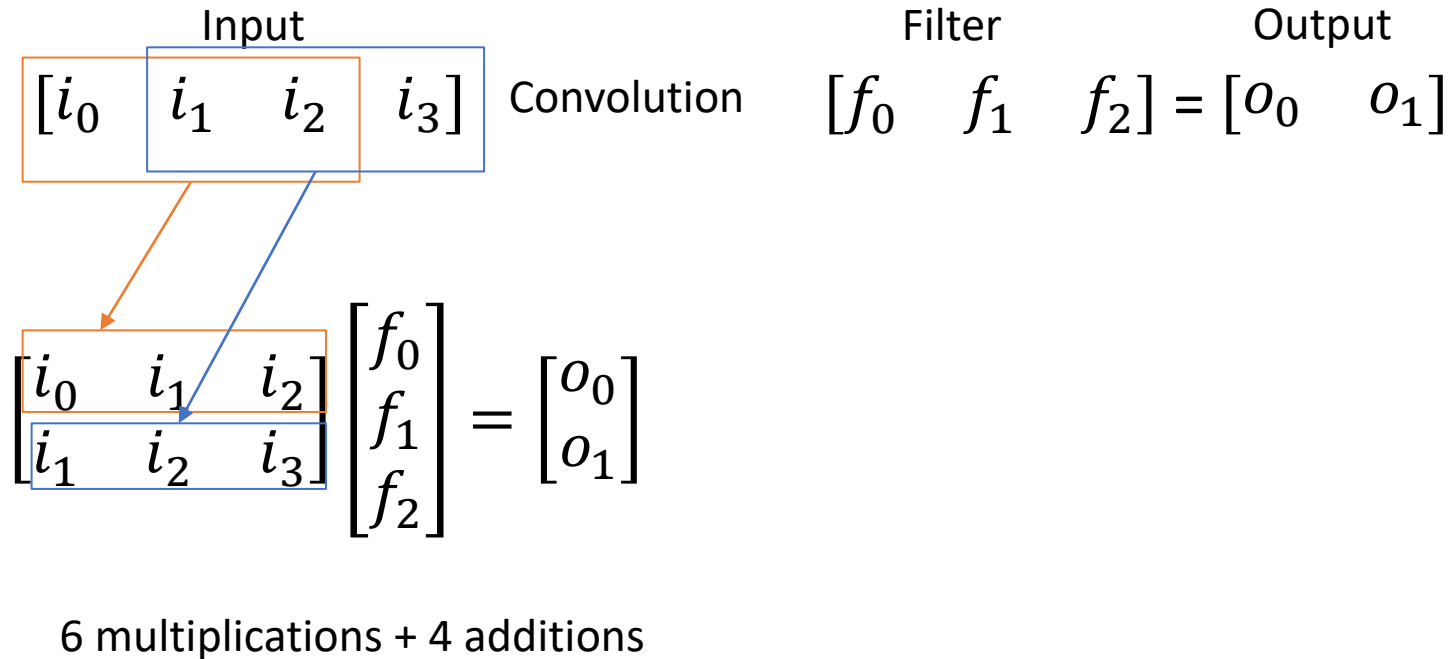


Winograd Transform



- Targeting convolutions instead of matrix multiply
- Significantly reduce multiplies
- Achieves varies based on the filter and tile size
- Requires specialized processing depending on the size of the filter and tile
- Winograd hardware typically support only specific tile and filter sizes
 - NVDLA only support 3x3 filters

1D Convolution



1D Convolution Using Winograd Transform

- 1D Convolution using Winograd transform

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_0 & i_1 & i_2 \\ i_1 & i_2 & i_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ f_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} o_0 \\ o_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 + m_2 + m_3 \\ m_2 - m_3 - m_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$m_1 = (i_0 - i_2)f_0$$

$$m_2 = (i_1 + i_2) \frac{f_0 + f_1 + f_2}{2}$$

$$m_3 = (i_2 - i_1) \frac{f_0 - f_1 + f_2}{2}$$

$$m_4 = (i_1 - i_3)f_2$$

4 multiplications + 12 additions + 2 shifts(divided by 2)

With constant weights

→ 4 multiplications + 8 additions

Linear Algebraic Formulation



Input transform matrix
(constant)

$$B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Filter transform matrix
(constant)

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Output transform matrix
(constant)

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

filter matrix

$$f = [f_0 \quad f_1 \quad f_2]^T$$

input matrix

$$i = [i_0 \quad i_1 \quad i_2]^T$$

- Sandwiching those matrices in a chain of matrix multiplies by constant matrices
 - $[GfG^T]$ and $[B^T iB]$
 - Existing in a **Winograd** space
 - GfG^T only need to be performed once, since the filter weights are constant across many applications of the tiled convolution

Linear Algebraic Formulation



Input transform matrix
(constant)

$$B^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Filter transform matrix
(constant)

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Output transform matrix
(constant)

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

filter matrix

$$f = [f_0 \quad f_1 \quad f_2]^T$$

input matrix

$$i = [i_0 \quad i_1 \quad i_2]^T$$

- Convolution can be performed by combining those matrices with element-wise multiplication
 - $[GfG^T] \odot [B^T i B]$
- Reverse transformation out of the **Winograd** space
 - $Y = A^T [[GfG^T] \odot [B^T i B]] A$

2D Winograd Transform



- 1D Winograd is nested to make 2D Winograd

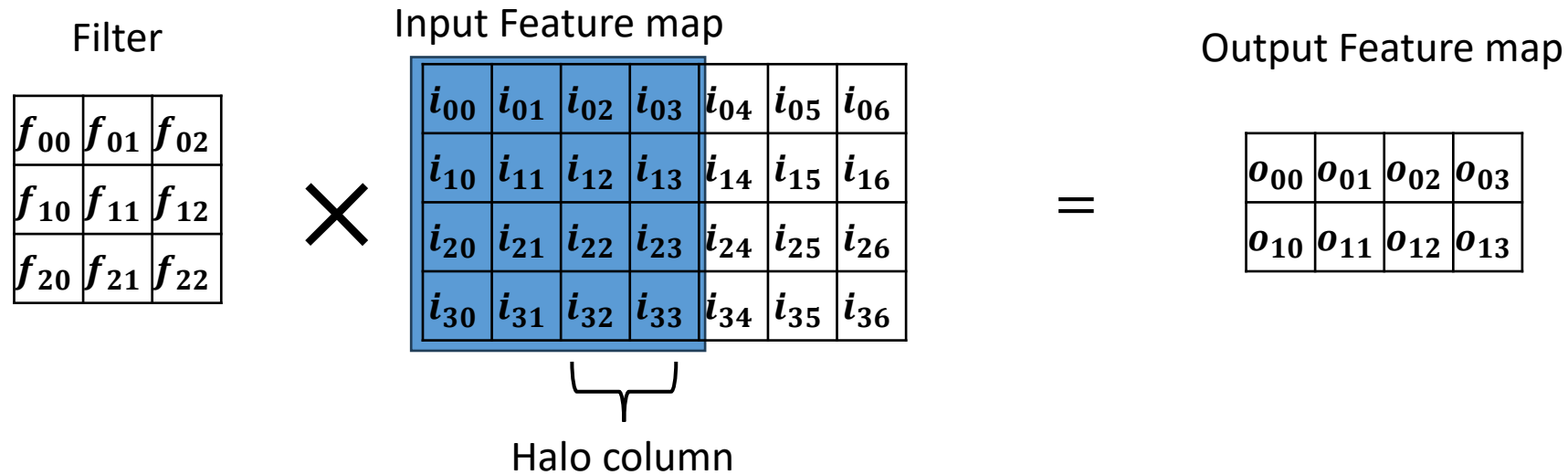
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Filter} \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline f_{00} & f_{01} & f_{02} \\ \hline f_{10} & f_{11} & f_{12} \\ \hline f_{20} & f_{21} & f_{22} \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Input Feature map} \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline i_{00} & i_{01} & i_{02} & i_{03} \\ \hline i_{10} & i_{11} & i_{12} & i_{13} \\ \hline i_{20} & i_{21} & i_{22} & i_{23} \\ \hline i_{30} & i_{31} & i_{32} & i_{33} \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Output Feature map} \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline o_{00} & o_{01} \\ \hline o_{10} & o_{11} \\ \hline \end{array} \end{array}$$

- Original
 - 36 multiplication
- Winograd
 - 16 multiplication \rightarrow 2.25 multiplication reduction

2D Winograd Halo



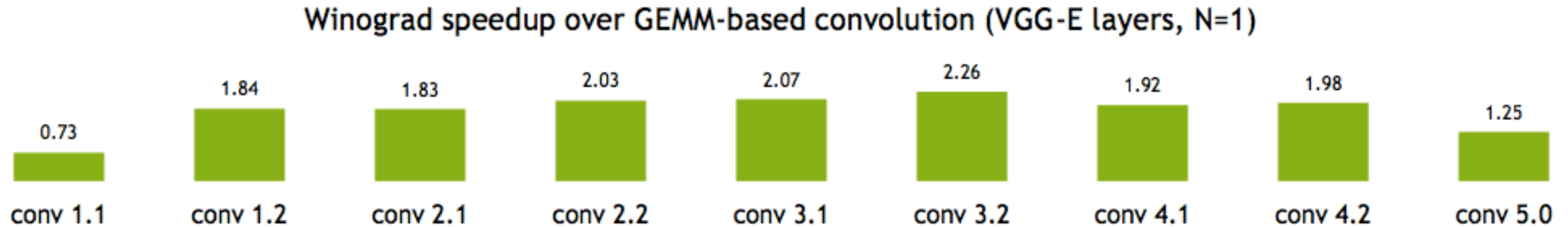
- Winograd works on a small region of output at a time, and therefore uses inputs repeatedly



Winograd Performance Varies



- Optimal convolution algorithm depends on convolution layer dimensions



- Meta parameters (data layouts, texture memory) afford higher performance
- Using texture memory for convolution: 13% inference speedup (GoogLeNet, batch size 1)

Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)



1. Convert filter and input to frequency domain
 2. Make convolution a simple multiply
 3. Convert back to space domain
- Follows a similar pattern to the Winograd transform
 - Convert a convolution into a new space where convolution is more computationally efficient

FFT to Accelerate DNN

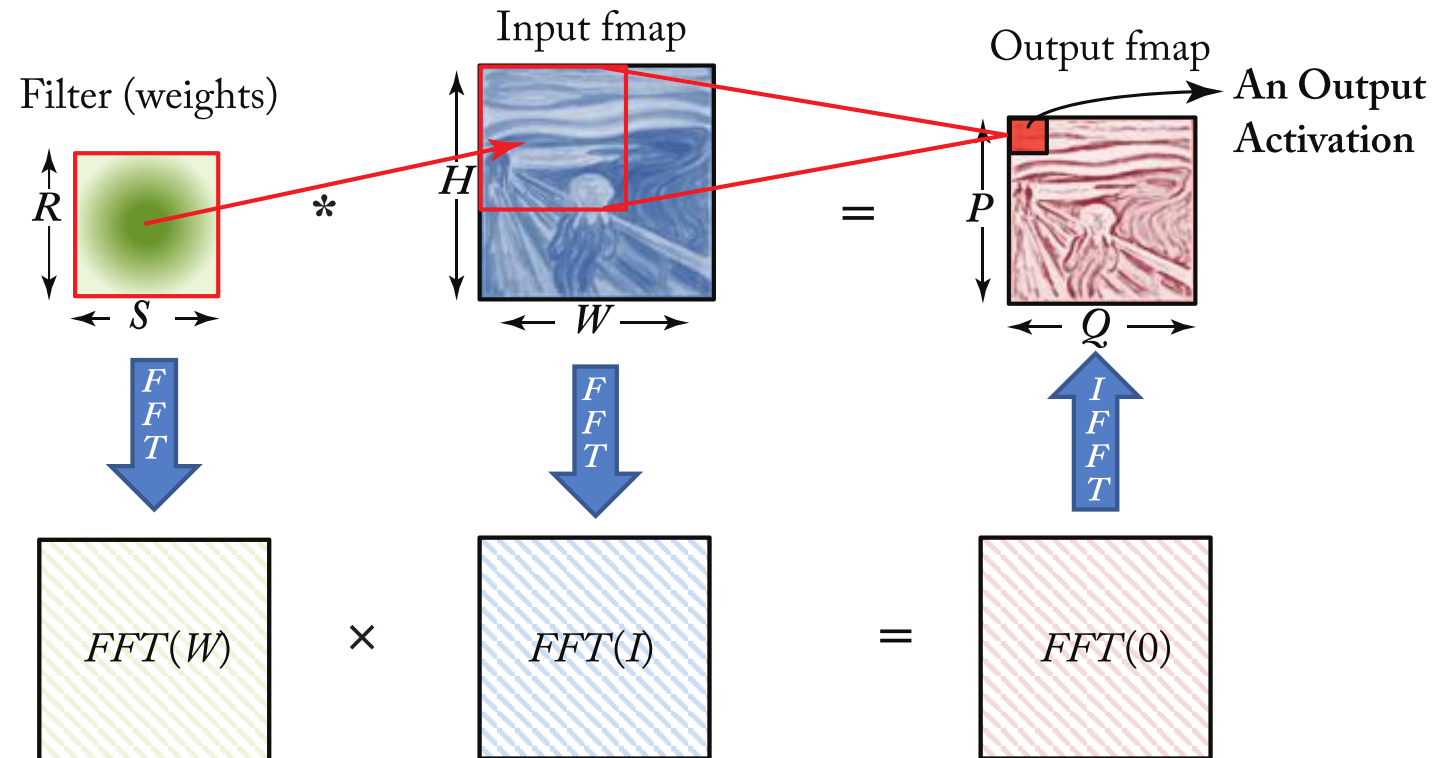
- Convolution in the time domain is equivalent to point-wise multiply in the frequency domain.

$$f * g = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{\mathcal{F}\{f\} \cdot \mathcal{F}\{g\}\}$$

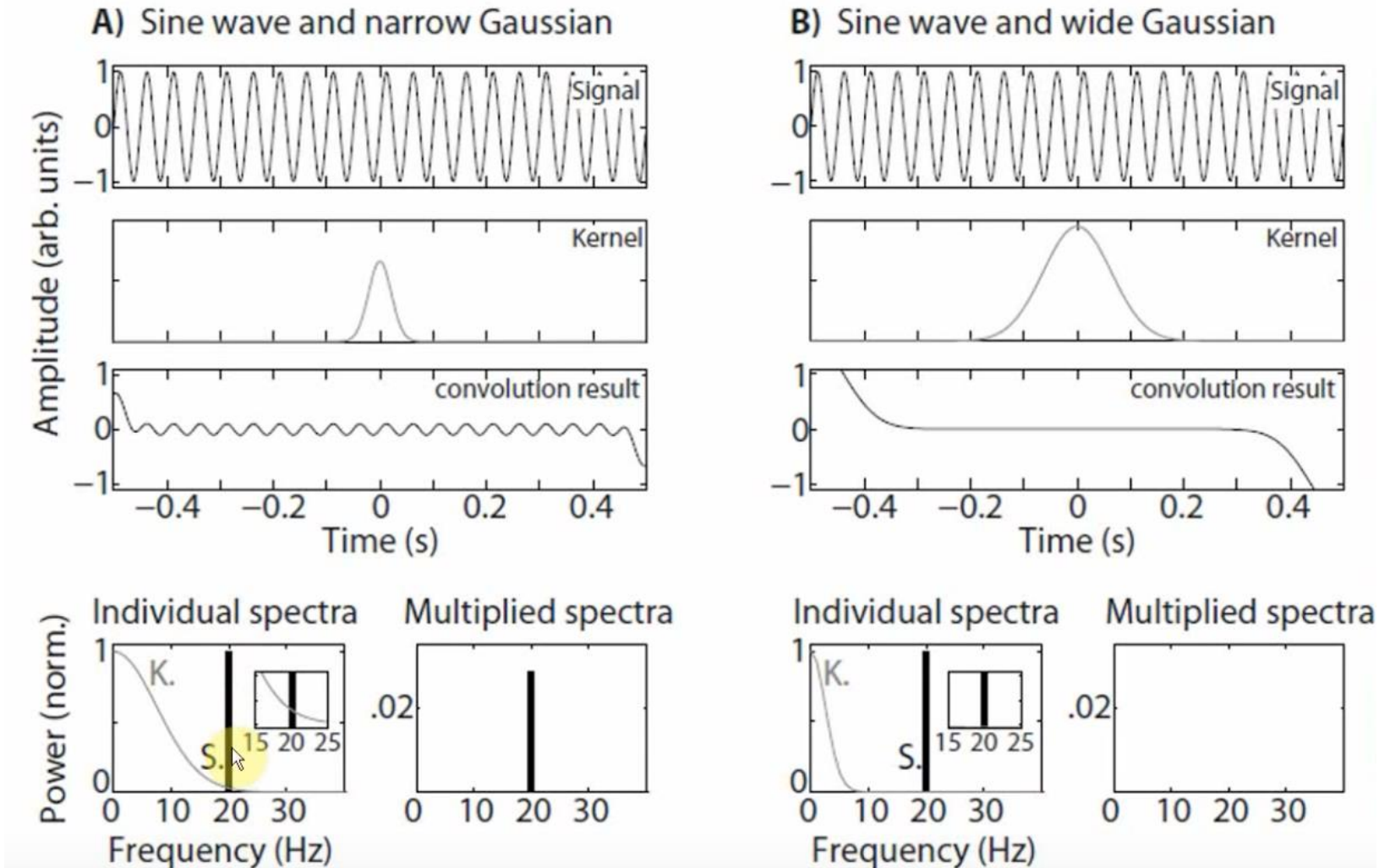
$\mathcal{F}\{f\}$: Fourier transform of f

$\mathcal{F}\{g\}$: Fourier transform of g

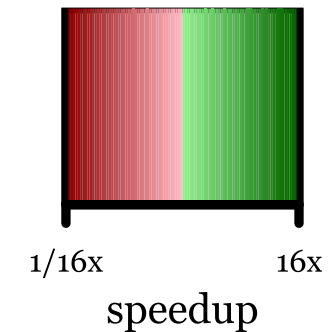
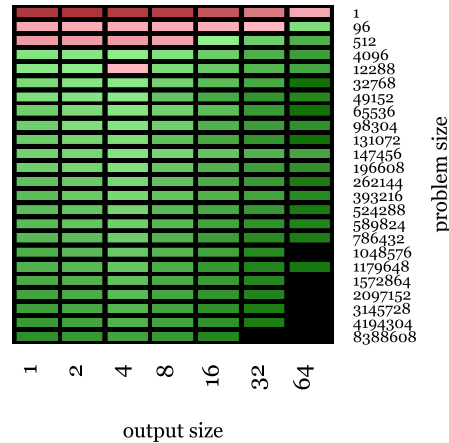
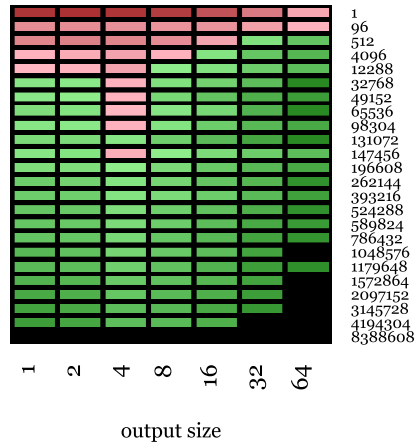
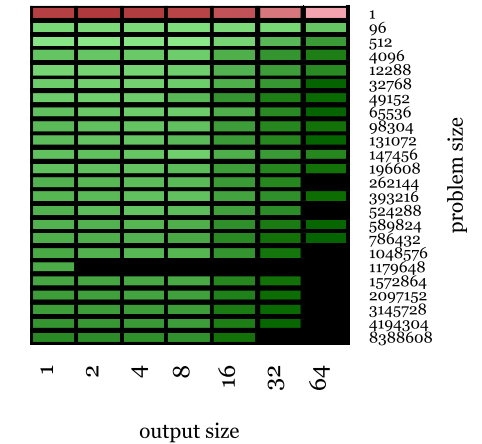
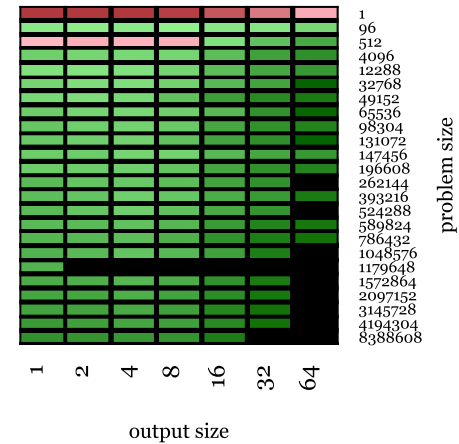
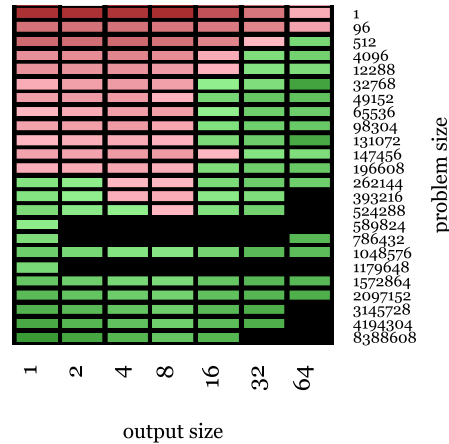
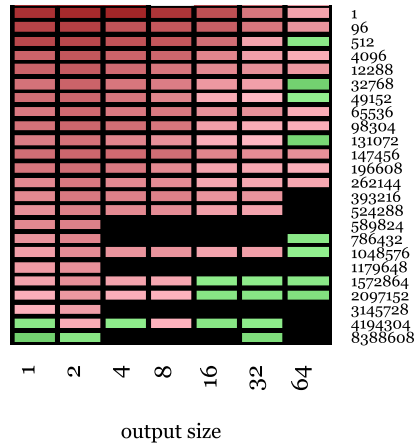
$*$: convolution(not multiplication)



FFT-based Convolution



FFT-based Convolution



Vasilache, N., Johnson, J., Mathieu, M., Chintala, S., Piantino, S., & LeCun, Y. (2014). Fast convolutional nets with fbfft: A GPU performance evaluation. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1412.7580*.

FFT Convolution



- Complexity
 - For output size $P \times Q$, Filter size $R \times S$
 - Convert direct convolution $O(PQRS)$ to $O(PQ \log_2 PQ)$
- Drawbacks
 - Computational benefit of FFT decreases with decreasing size of filter
 - Needs $RS > \log_2 PQ$ for there to be a benefit
 - Size of the FFT is dictated by the output feature map size
 - Often much larger than the filter
 - The coefficients in the frequency domain are complex

FFT Optimization for DNN Computation



- FFT of the filter can be pre-computed and stored
 - Reduce the number of operations
 - but convolutional filter in frequency domain is much larger than in space domain
- FFT of the input feature map can be computed once to generate multiple channels in the output feature map
- An image contains only real values
 - Its Fourier Transform is symmetric
 - Can be exploited to reduce storage and computation cost
- Can accumulate across channels before performing inverse transform to reduce number of IFFT

FFT Costs

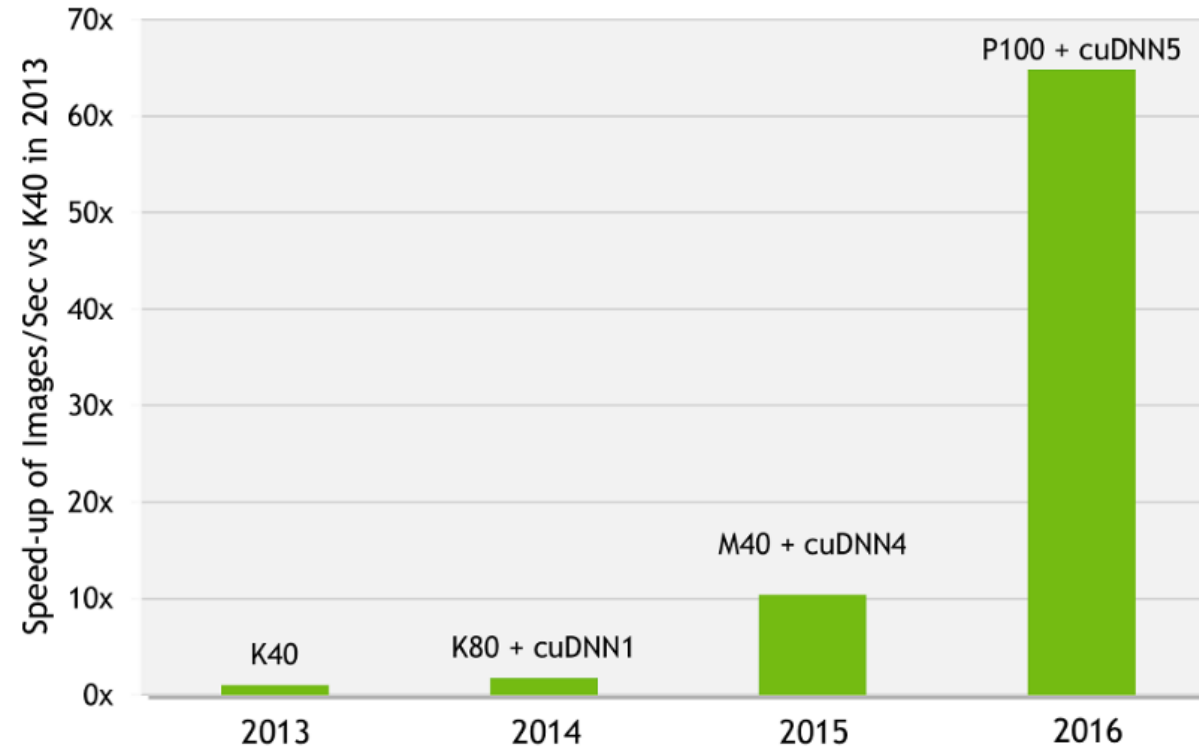


- Input and Filter matrices are **0-completed**
 - i.e., expanded to size $E+R-1 \times F+S-1$
- Frequency domain matrices are same dimensions as input, but complex.
- FFT often reduces computation, but requires much more memory space and bandwidth

cuDNN: Speed up with Transformations



60x Faster Training in 3 Years



AlexNet training throughput on:

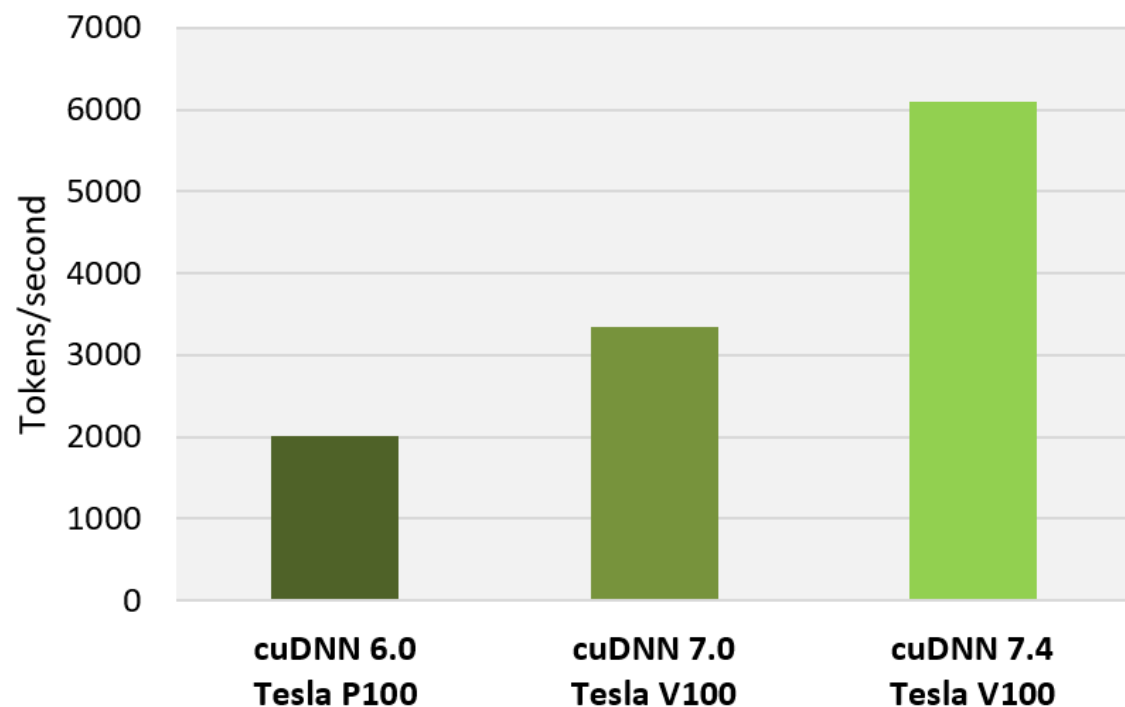
CPU: 1x E5-2680v3 12 Core 2.5GHz. 128GB System Memory, Ubuntu 14.04

M40 bar: 8x M40 GPUs in a node, P100: 8x P100 NVLink-enabled

cuDNN: Speed up with Transformations

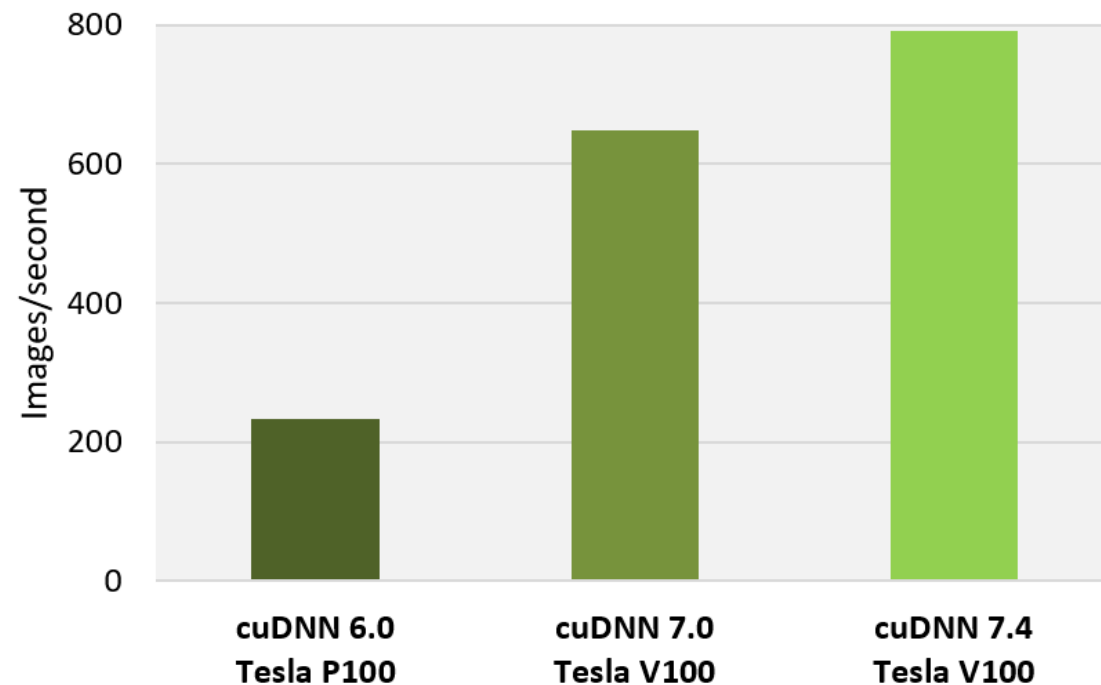


Up to 3x Faster RNN Training



TensorFlow performance (tokens/sec), Tesla P100 + cuDNN 6 (FP32) on 17.12 NGC container, Tesla V100 + cuDNN 7.0 (Mixed) on 18.02 NGC container, Tesla V100 + cuDNN 7.4 (Mixed) on 18.10 NGC container, OpenSeq2Seq (GNMT), Batch Size: 64

Up to 3x Faster CNN Training



TensorFlow performance (images/sec), Tesla P100 + cuDNN 6 (FP32) on 17.12 NGC container, Tesla V100 + cuDNN 7.0 (Mixed) on 18.02 NGC container, Tesla V100 + cuDNN 7.4 (Mixed) on 18.10 NGC container, ResNet-50, Batch Size: 128

Selecting A Transform



- Different algorithms might be used for different layer shapes and sizes
 - E.g. FFT for filters greater than 5x5, and Winograd for filters 3x3 and below
- Existing platform libraries dynamically choose the appropriate algorithm for a given shape and size
 - MKL
 - cuDNN

Optimization Tools



- Halide
 - A language for fast, portable computation on images and tensors
 - embedded in C++
 - Support x86, arm, MIPS, RISC-V, PowerPC, CUDA, OpenCL, OpenGL, etc.
- TVM
 - An End to End Machine Learning Compiler Framework for CPUs, GPUs and accelerators
 - Various framework
 - Tensorflow, Keras, etc.
 - Various backend
 - LLVM, C, CPUs, DSPs, GPUs, FPGAs,
- Timeloop
 - A Systematic Approach to DNN Accelerator Evaluation
- Many other optimization tools...

Analysis of Convolution Approaches



	Pro	Con
GEMM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Generic and stable• Easy to implement (problem mapped into a BLAS call)• Optimized solution if good BLAS is provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Additional memory to store the intermediate data• Rely heavily on optimized BLAS
Spatial Domain	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Avoids additional memory copy• Speedy with optimized code	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rely on individually optimized kernels according to given params, or even given HW architecture
FFT fomain	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lower computational complexity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Additional memory to save FFT data• Overhead is big for small kernel size, or large stride

Concluding Remarks



- Temporal platform
 - CPUs and GPUs
- Spatial platforms
 - Communication between ALUs with its own control logic and storage
- Methods that restructure the computations to improve efficiency without any impact on accuracy
 - Nearly bit-wise identical results
 - Reshape computation for efficiency
 - Reduce memory bandwidth
 - Reduce high-cost operations

Concluding Remarks



- Toeplitz transformation
 - Converts a convolution into a matrix multiply by replicating value
 - Widely used in CPUs and GPUs
 - GEMM libraries supports
- Strassen
 - Comes at the price of reduced numerical stability and requires significantly more memory
- Winograd
 - Targeting convolutions instead of matrix multiply
 - Convert to Winograd space, compute, then convert back
- FFT transform
 - Convert filter and input to frequency domain, compute, then convert back