

CONVOLUTIONS AND THE FFT

Lecture 2 - CMSC764

LINEAR FILTER

$$x \circ f[k] = \sum_i x[k + i]f[i]$$

Filter/stencil

$$[-1 \quad 1 \quad 0]$$

Signal

$$2 \quad 3 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 4$$

Output

$$1$$

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$$2 \quad 3 \quad 1 \quad 4$$

Output

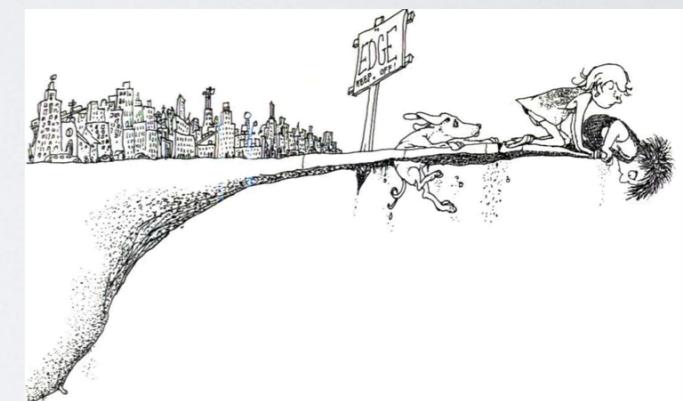
$$1 - 2$$

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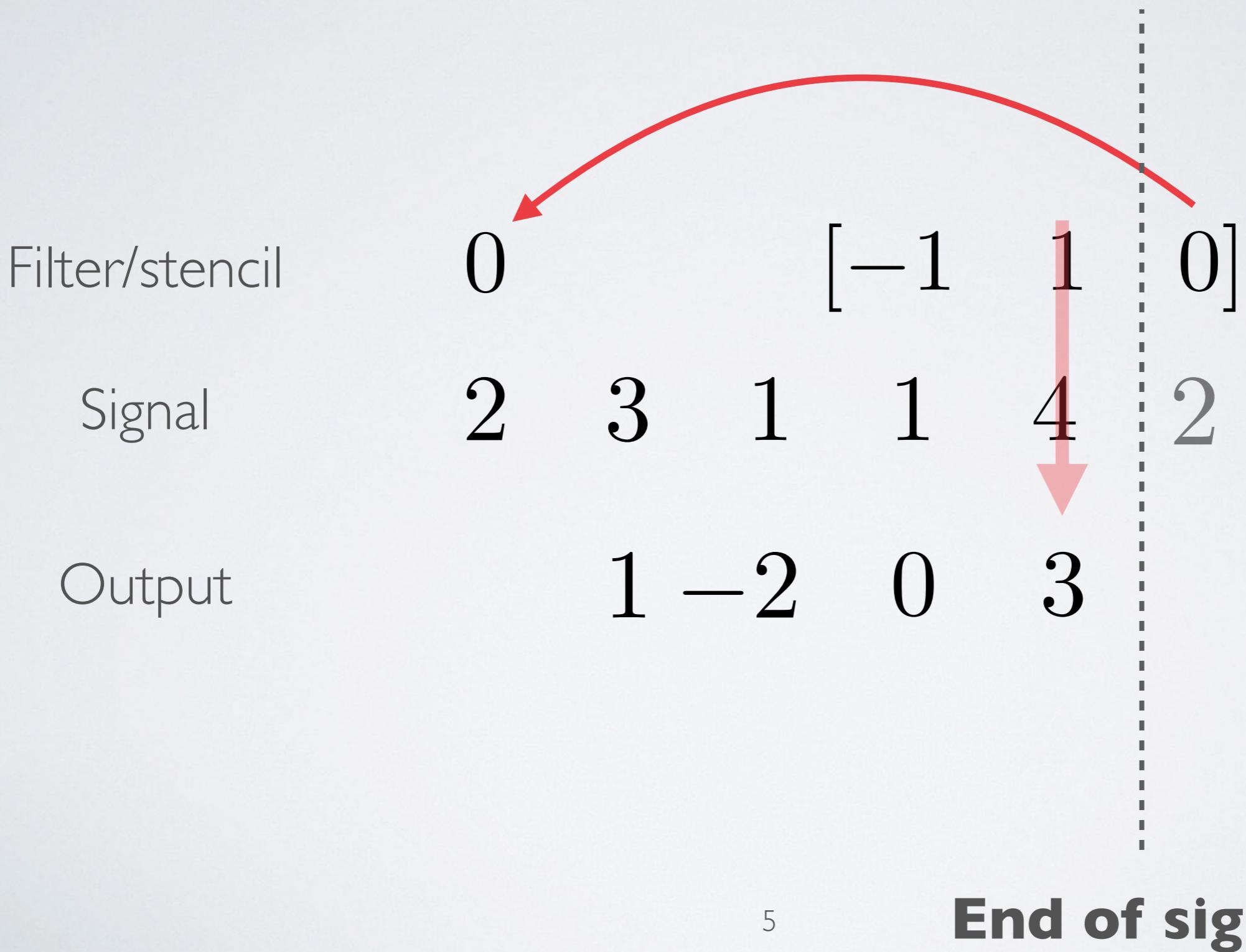
Filter/stencil

			$[-1 \quad 1 \quad 0]$	
Signal	2	3	1	4
Output		$1 - 2$	0	

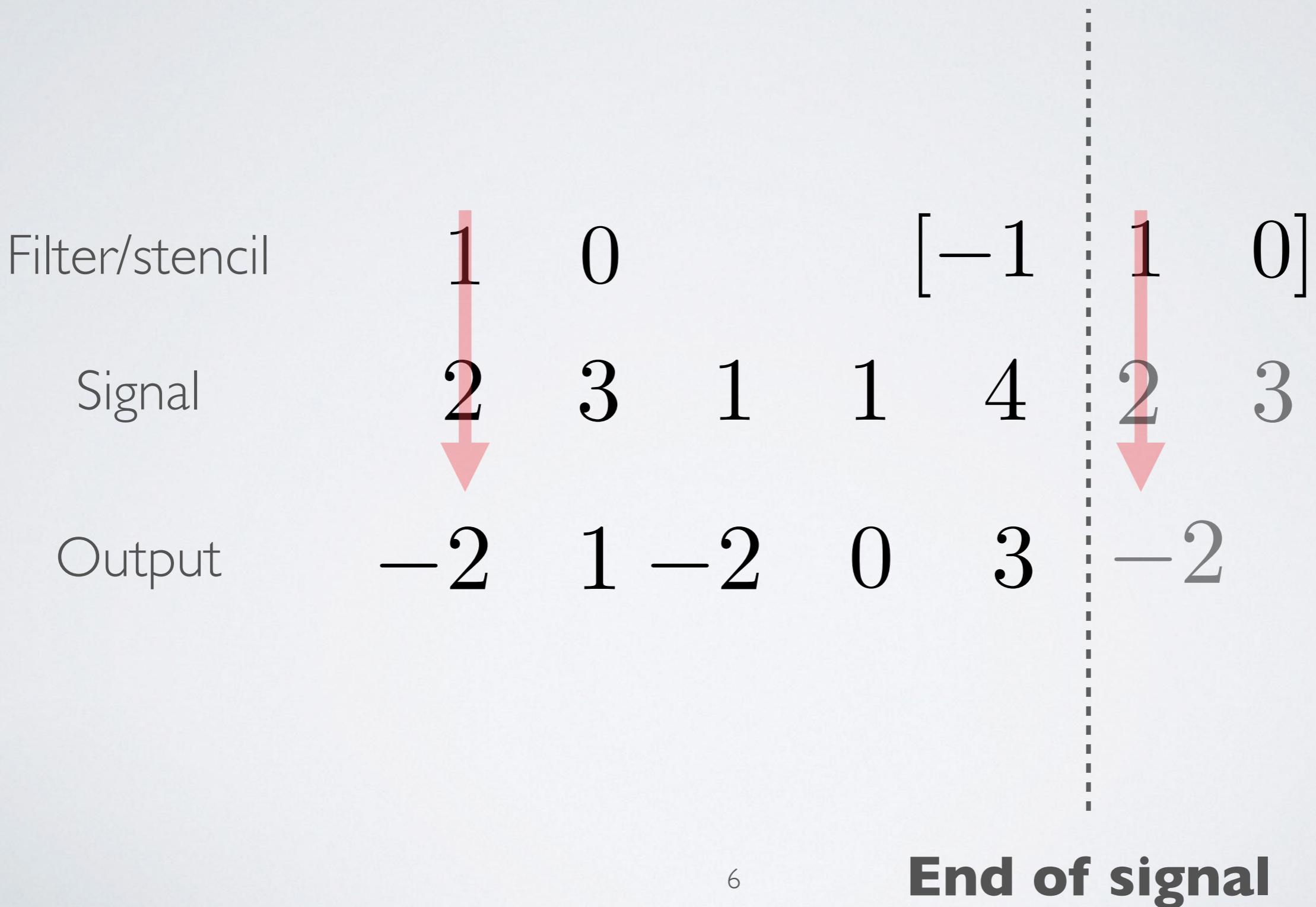


Now what??

CIRCULANT BOUNDARY



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Filter/stencil

$$[-1 \quad \color{red}{1} \quad 0]$$

Signal

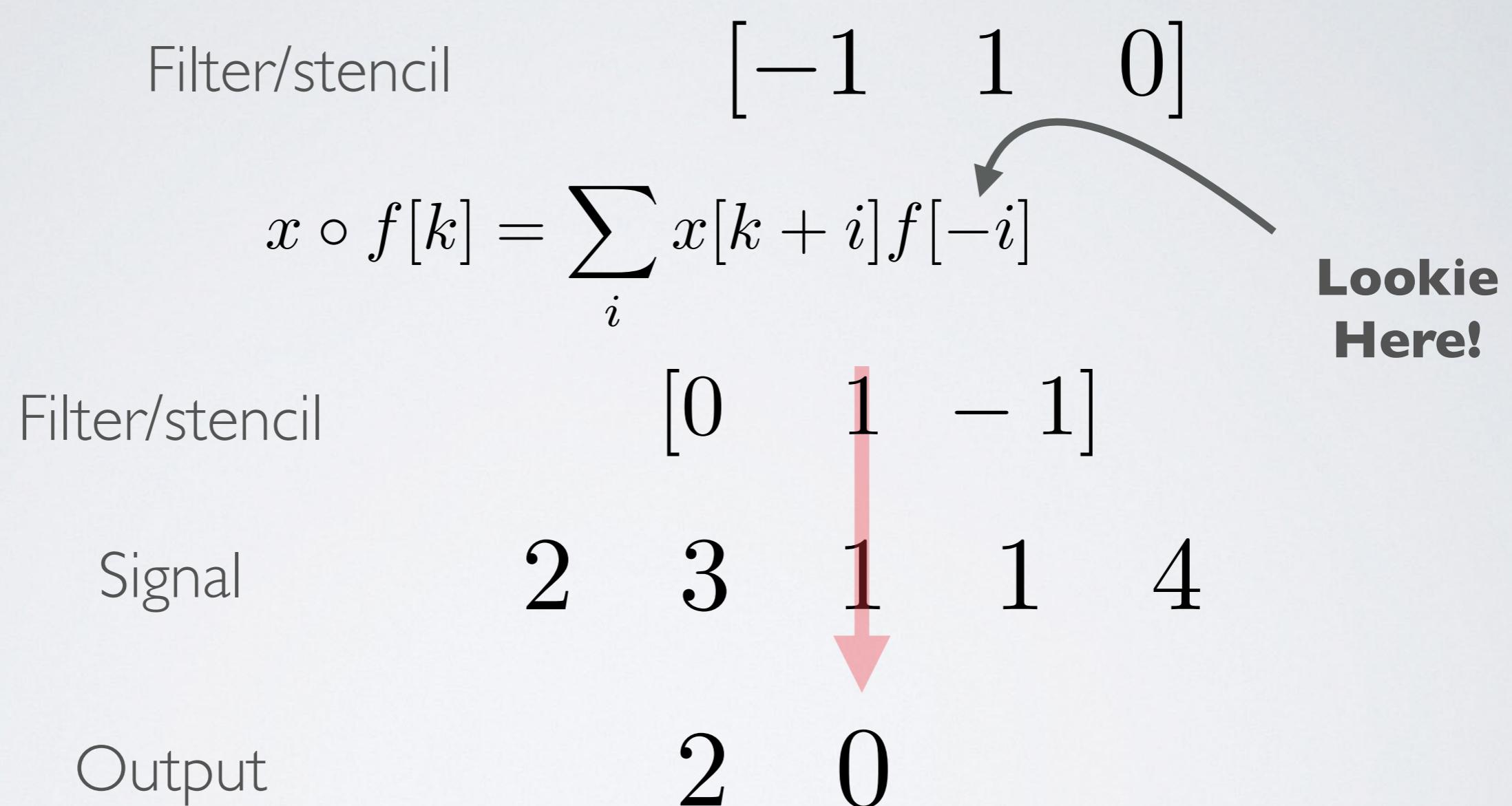
$$2 \quad 3 \quad \color{red}{1} \quad 1 \quad 4$$



Output

$$1 - 2$$

LINEAR CONVOLUTION



CONVOLUTION MATRIX

Filter/stencil

$$[0 \quad \underset{\downarrow}{\textcolor{red}{1}} \quad -1]$$

Signal

$$\begin{matrix} 2 & 3 & \underset{\downarrow}{\textcolor{red}{1}} & 1 & 4 \end{matrix}$$

Output

$$\begin{matrix} 2 & 0 \end{matrix}$$

Conv matrix

Signal

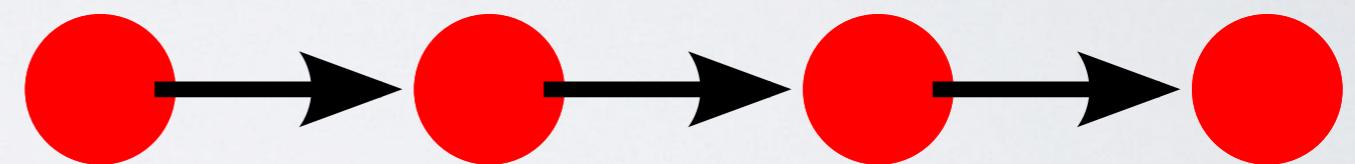
$$\left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{array} \right)$$

TWO COMMON USES FOR CONVOLUTIONS

DISCRETE GRADIENT

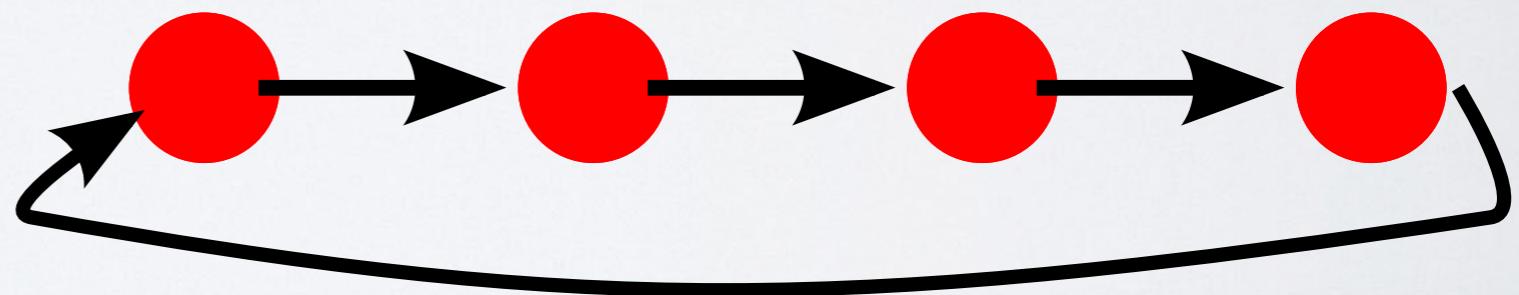
Neumann

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 - u_0 \\ u_2 - u_1 \\ u_3 - u_2 \end{pmatrix}$$



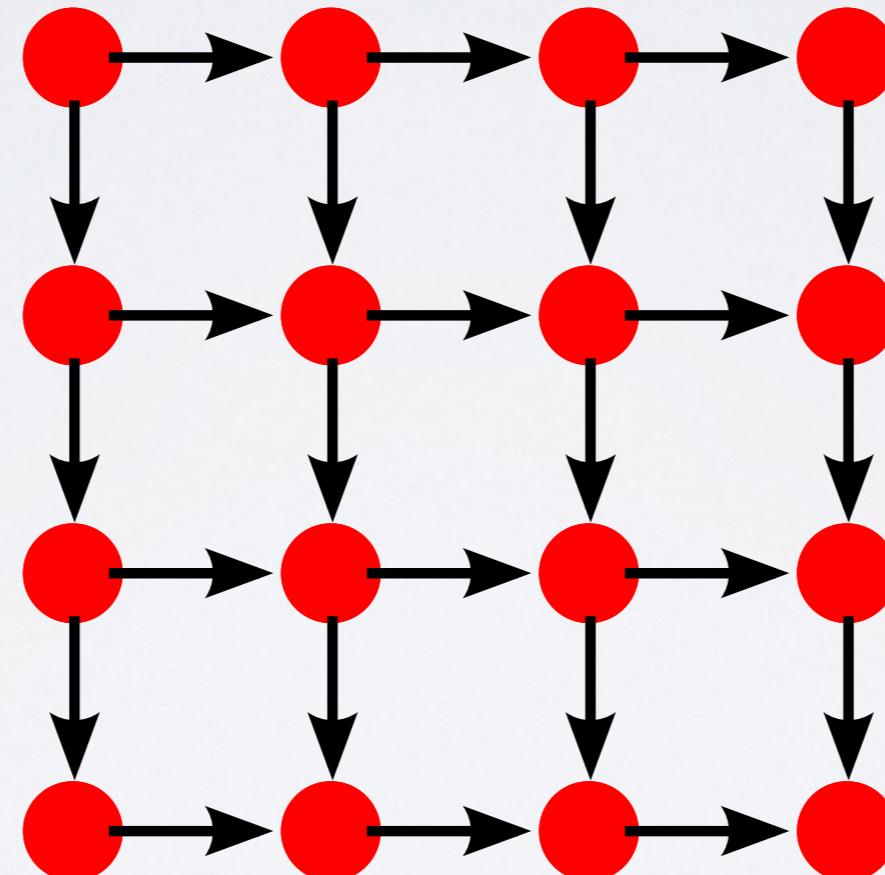
Circulant

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1 - u_0 \\ u_2 - u_1 \\ u_3 - u_2 \\ u_0 - u_3 \end{pmatrix}$$



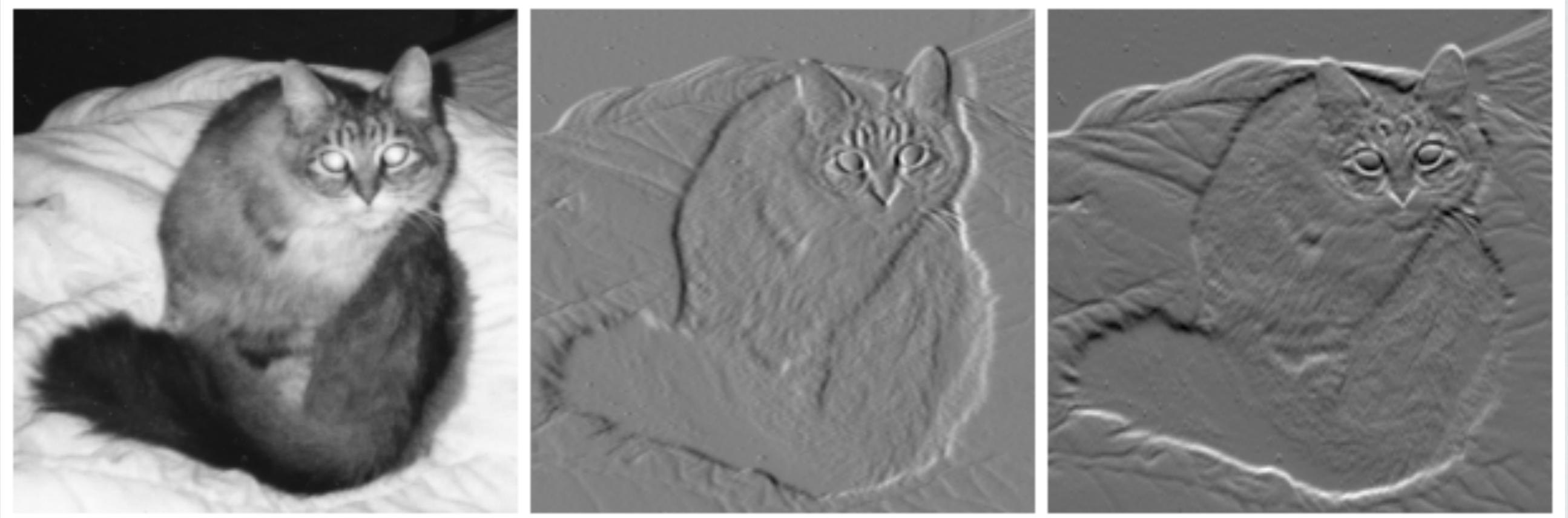
DISCRETE GRADIENT IN 2D

$$(\nabla x)_{ij} = (x_{i+1,j} - x_{i,j}, x_{i,j+1} - x_{i,j})$$



TV IN 2D

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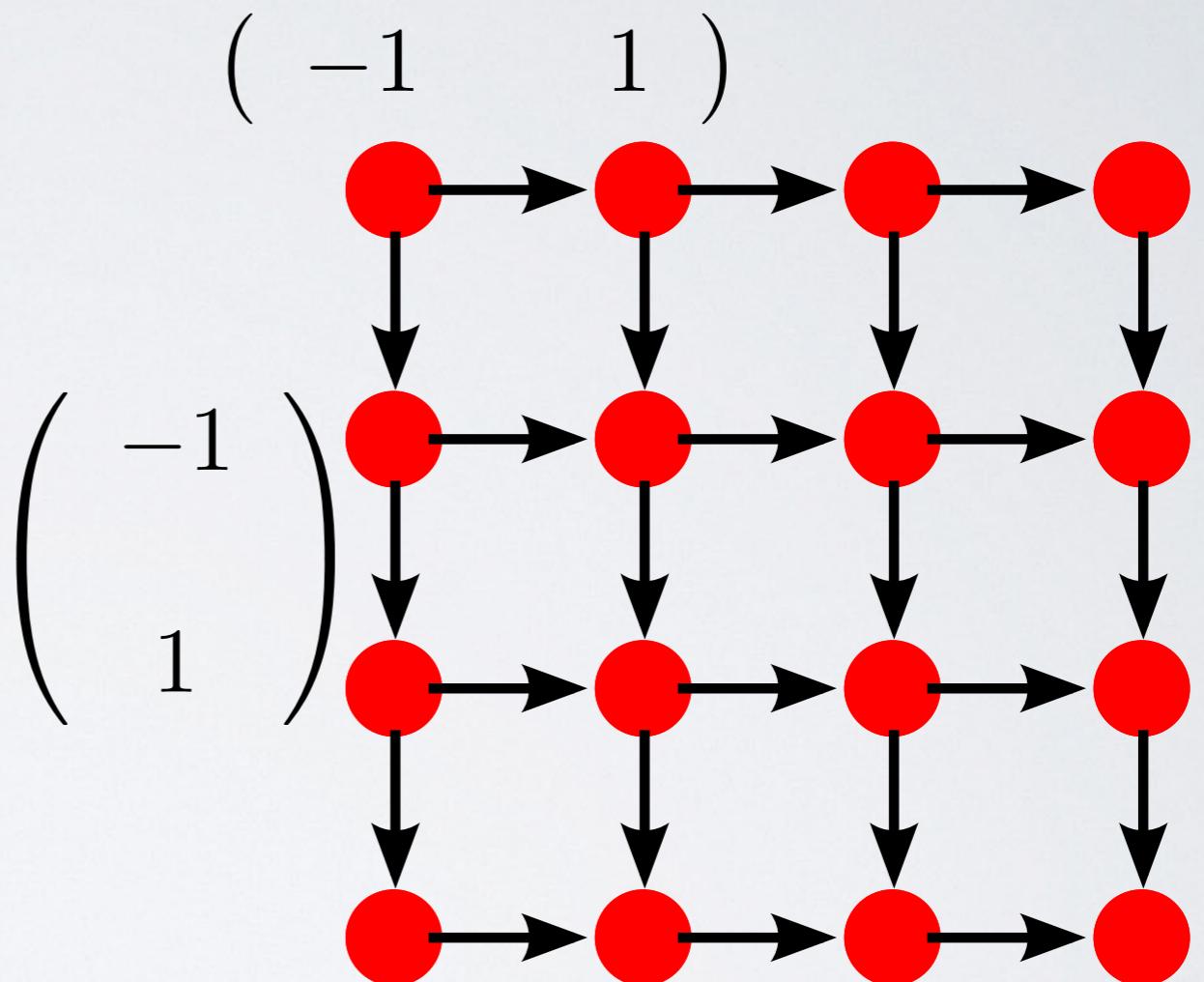
$$I$$

$$g_x = D_x I$$

$$g_y = D_y I$$

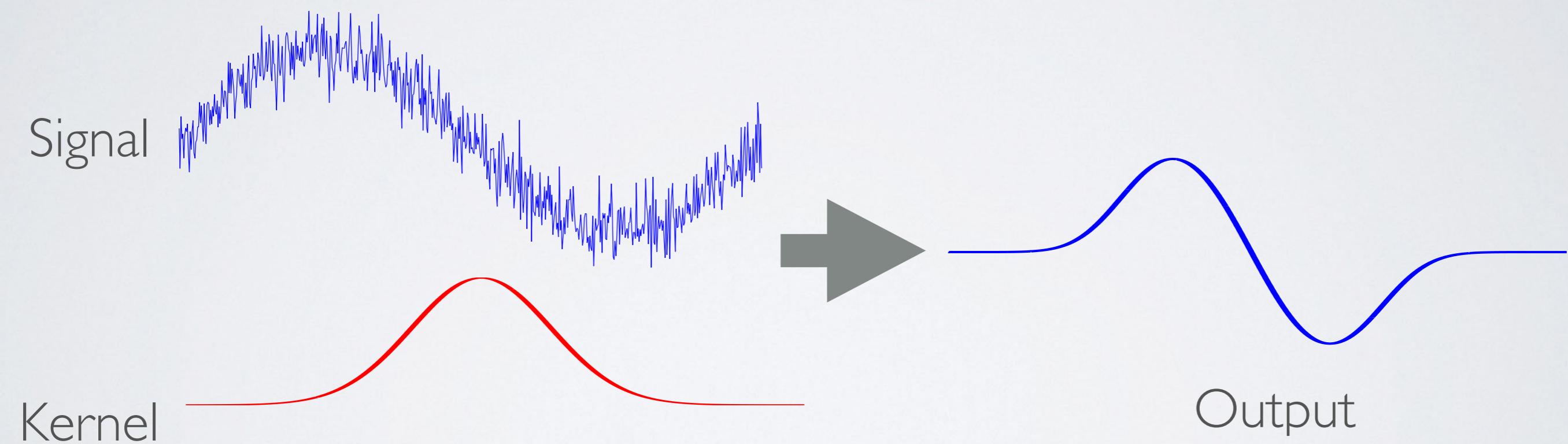
GRADIENT ON IMAGES

- Two linear filters
 - x-stencil = $(-1 \ 1 \ 0)$
 - y-stencil = $(-1 \ 1 \ 0)'$
- ...or...
- Two linear convolutions
 - x-kernel = $(0 \ 1 \ -1)$
 - y-kernel = $(0 \ 1 \ -1)'$

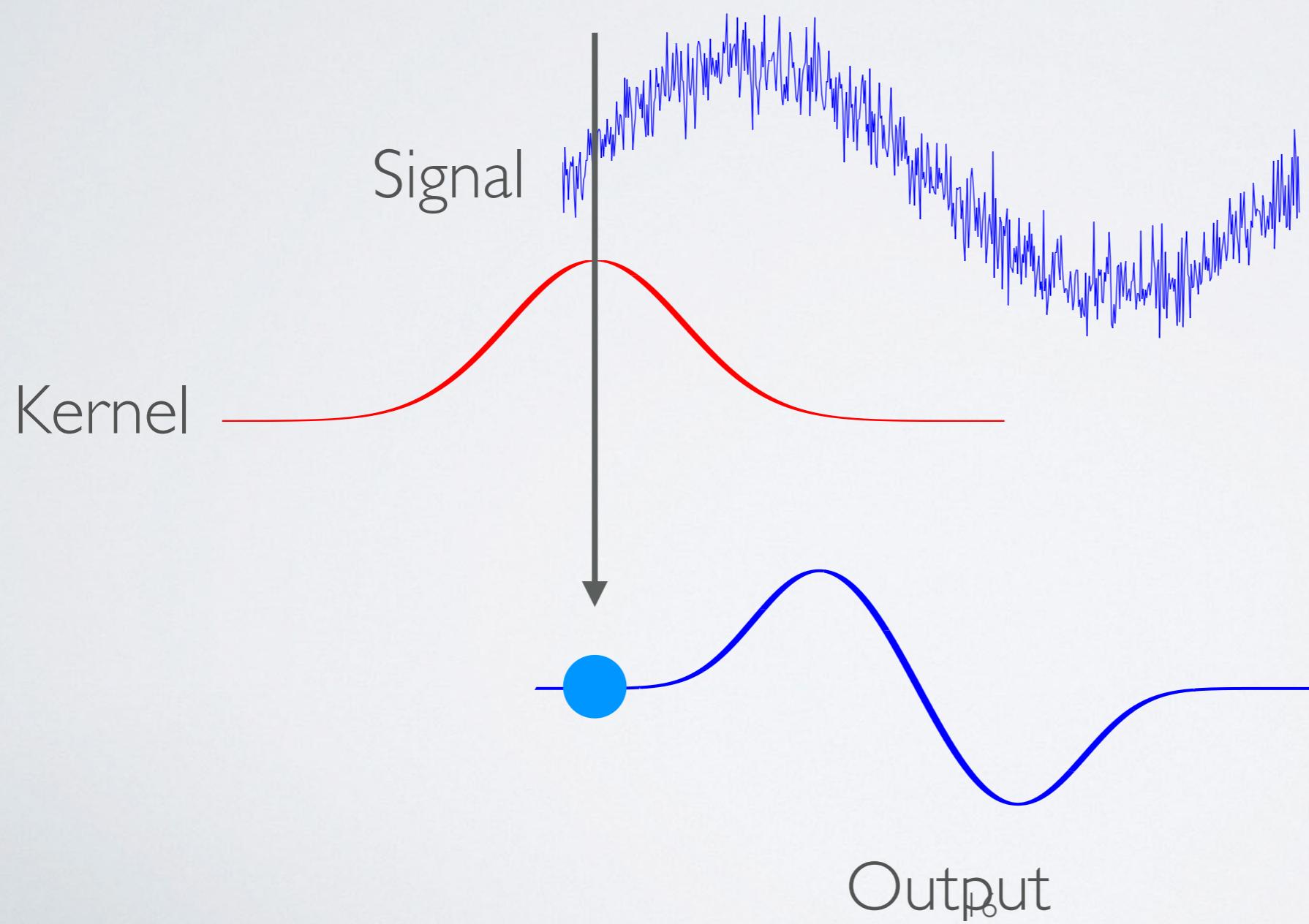


GAUSSIAN FILTER

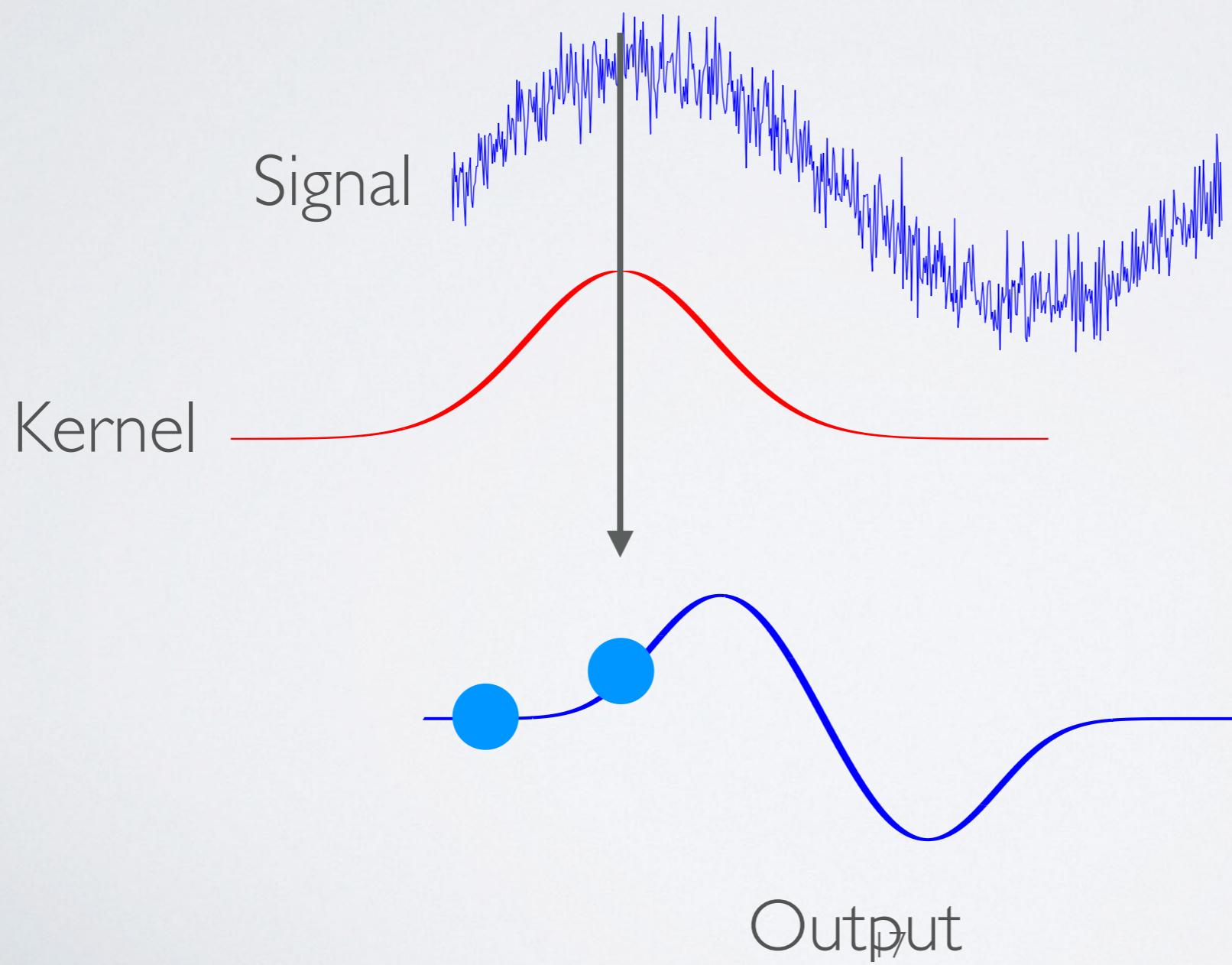
Used to “smooth” a noisy signal



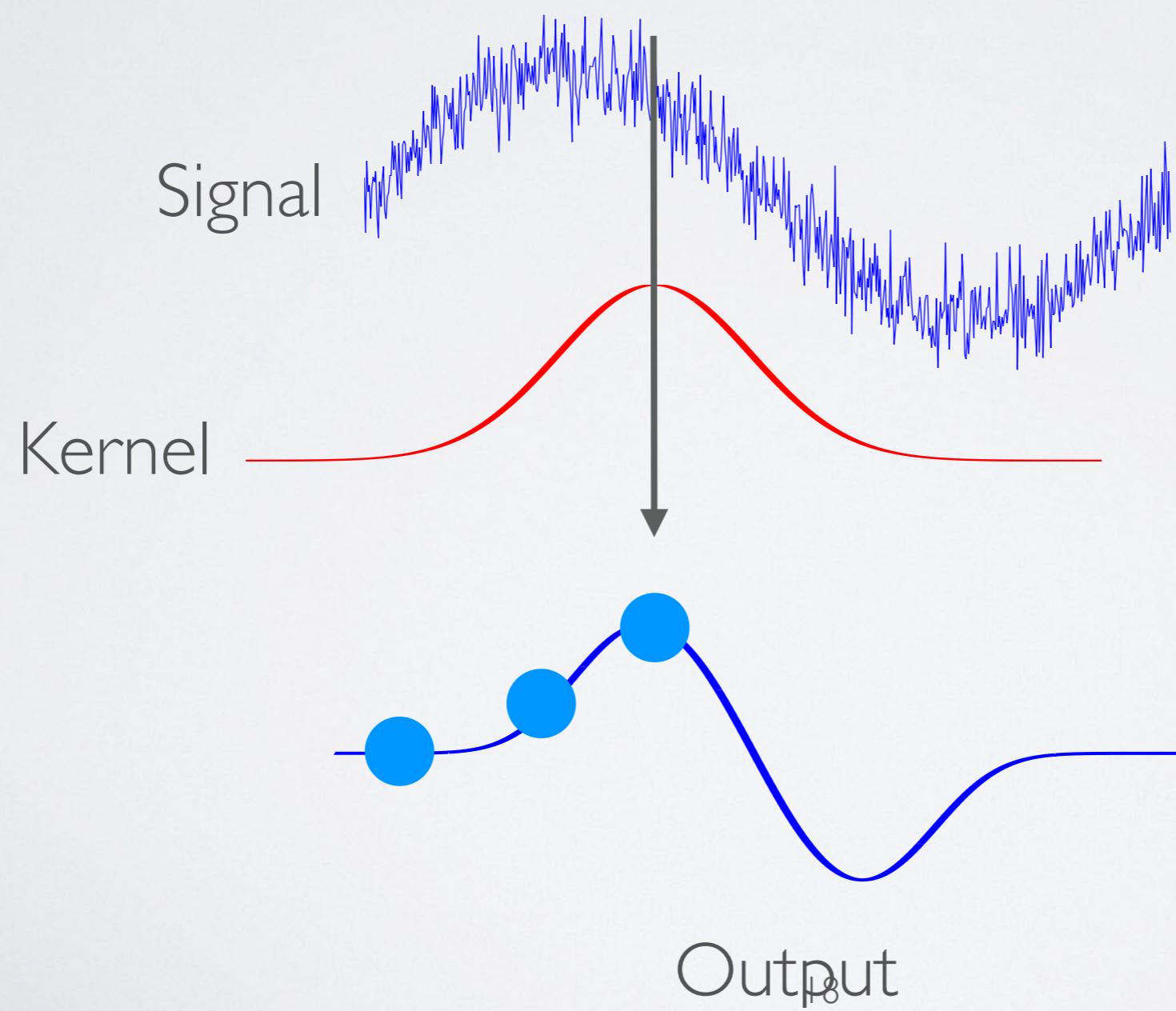
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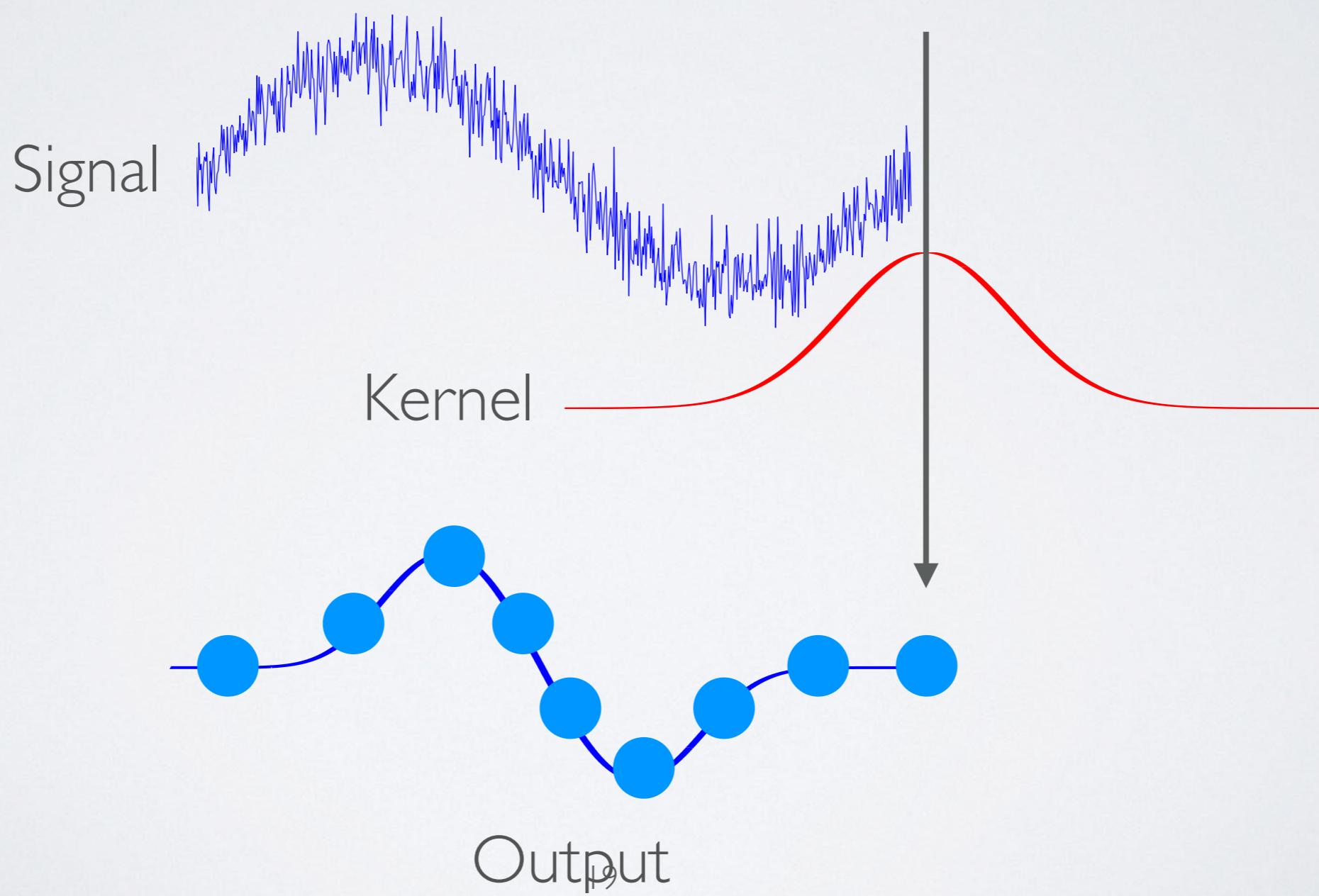
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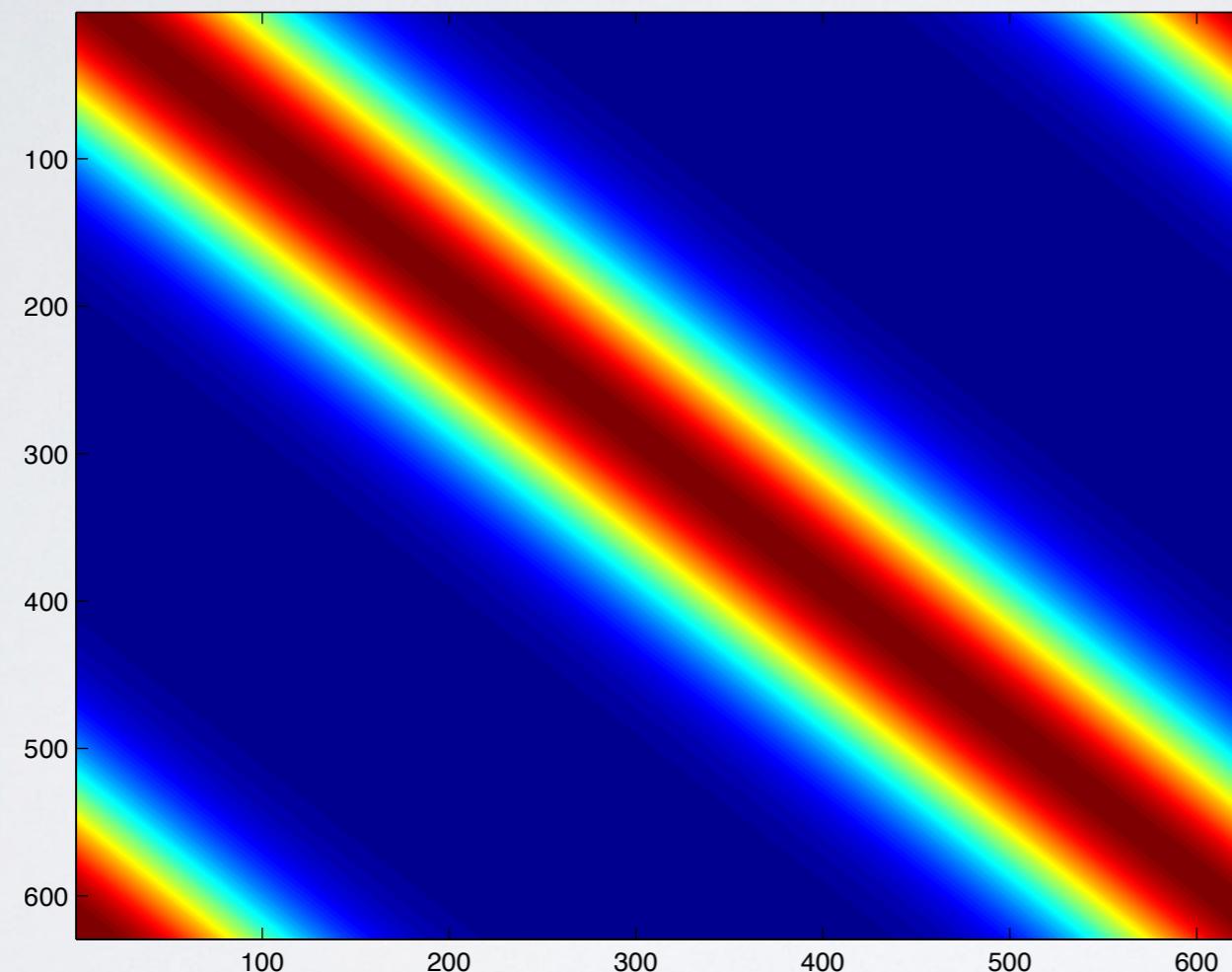
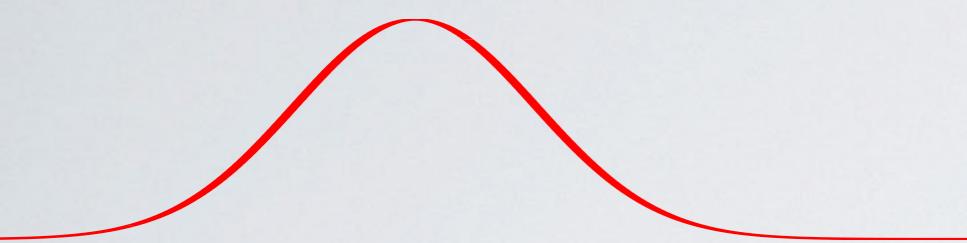
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CONVOLUTION MATRIX

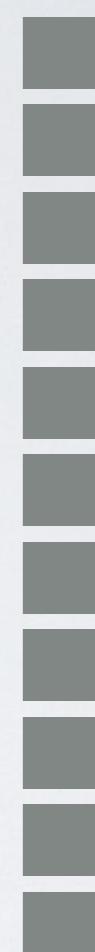


Signal/
Vector

$x \circ f$

\times

$=$

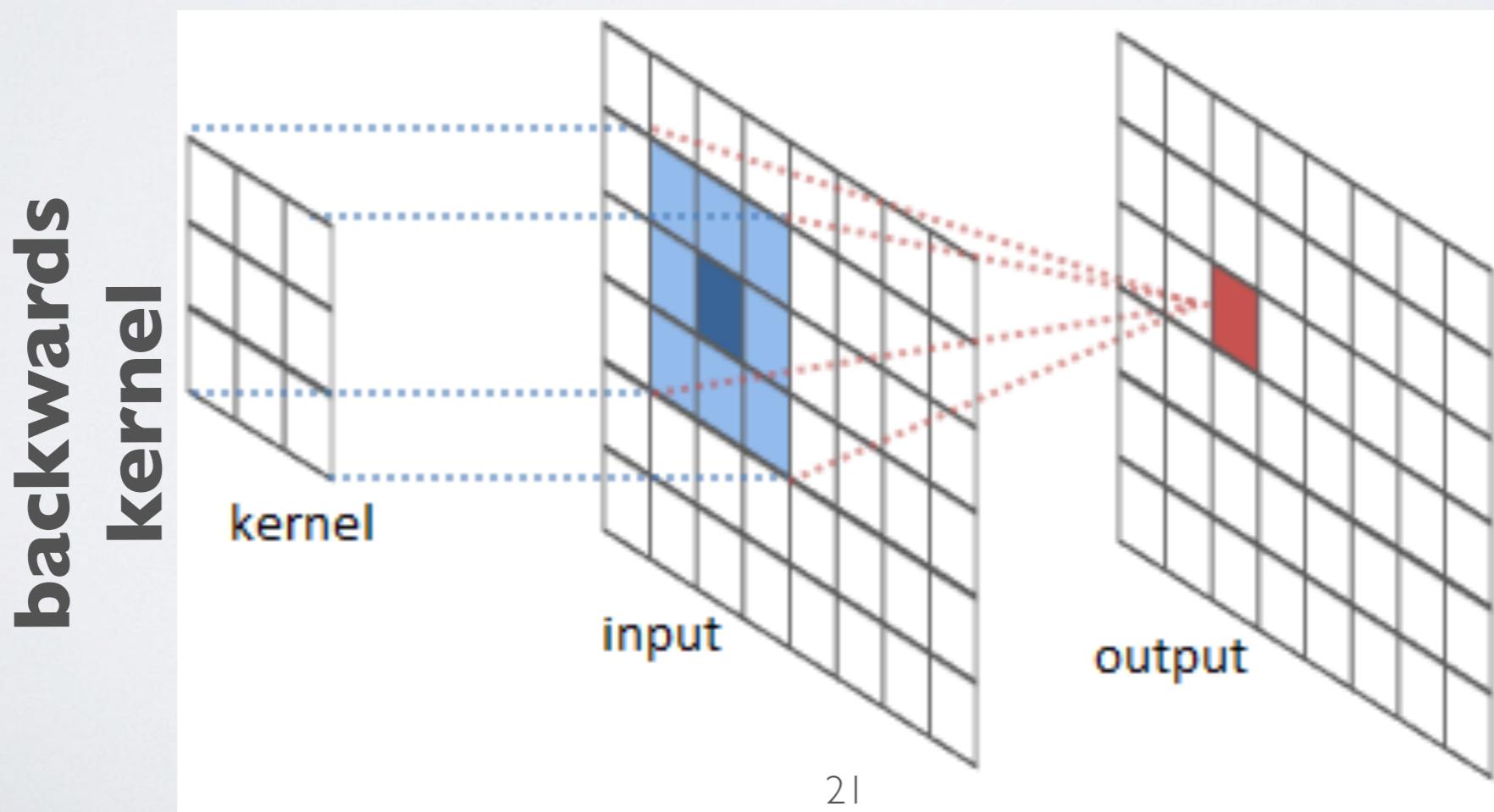


CONVOLUTION

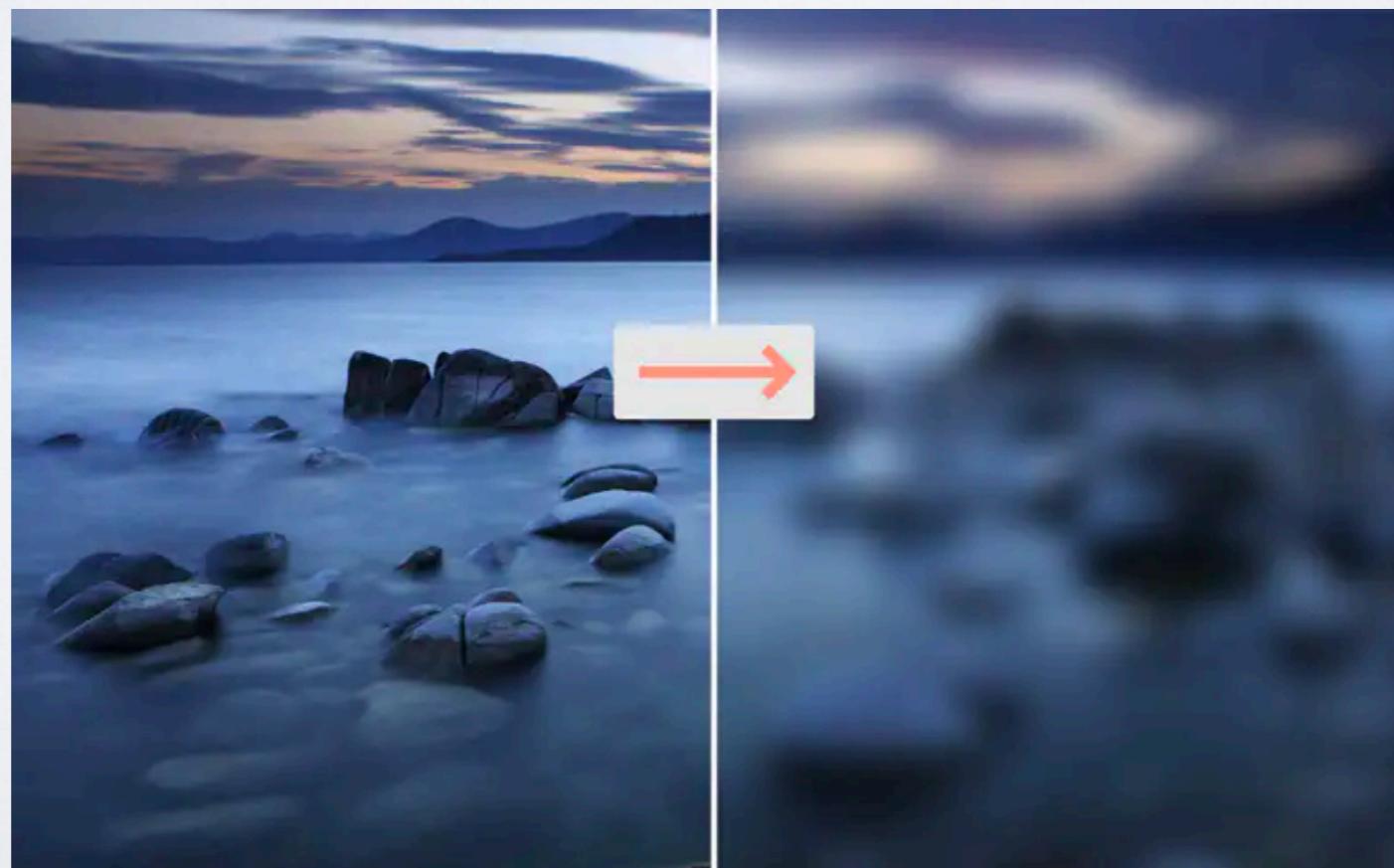
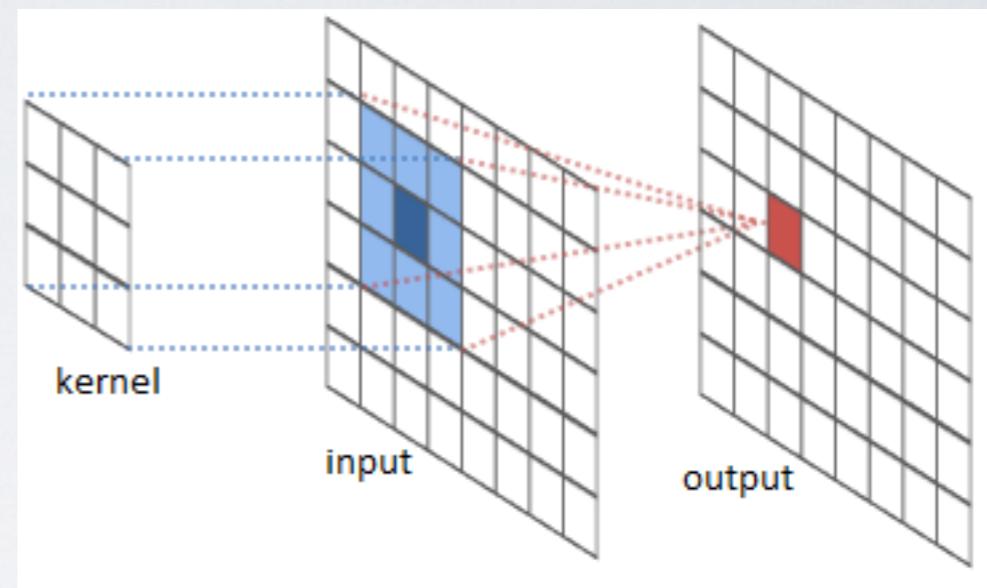
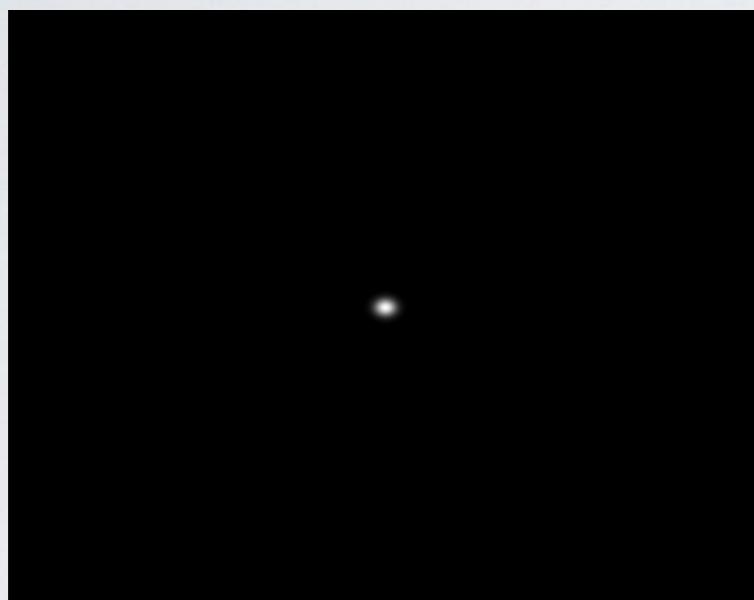
$$f * g(x) = \sum_s f(x - s)g(s) = \sum_s f(x + s)g(-s)$$

don't forget

WRONG!!



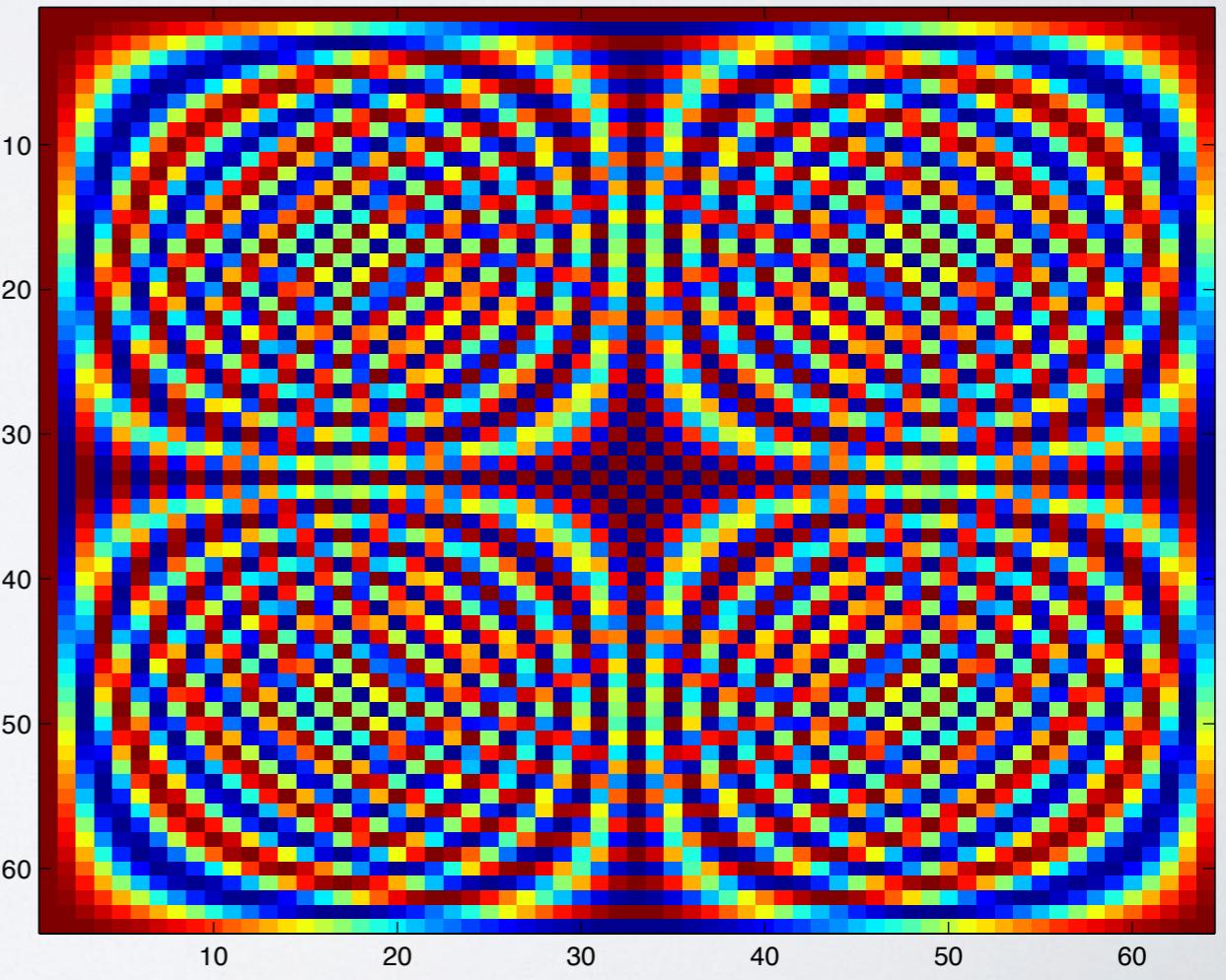
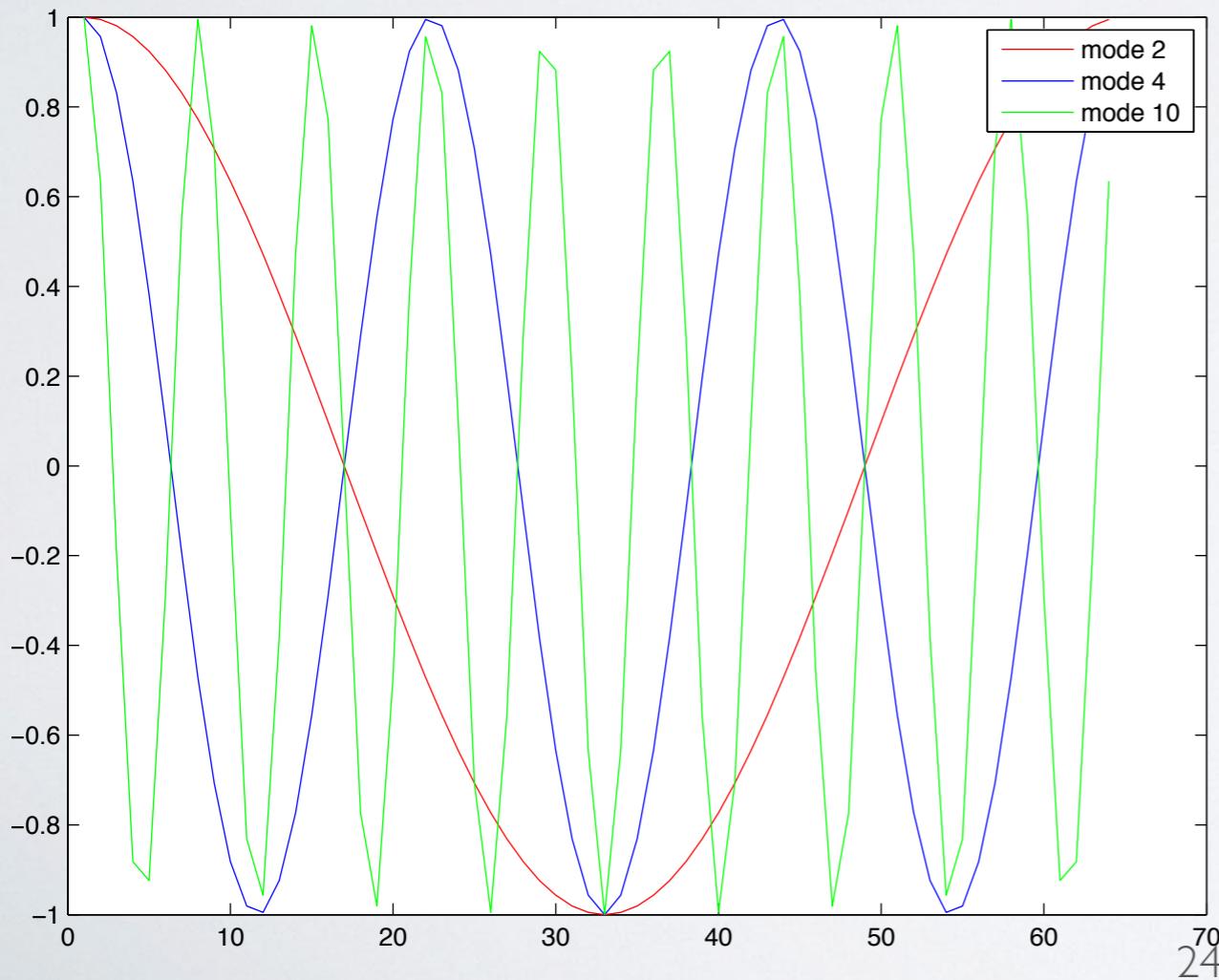
CONVOLUTION: 2D



USING THE FFT

FOURIER TRANSFORM

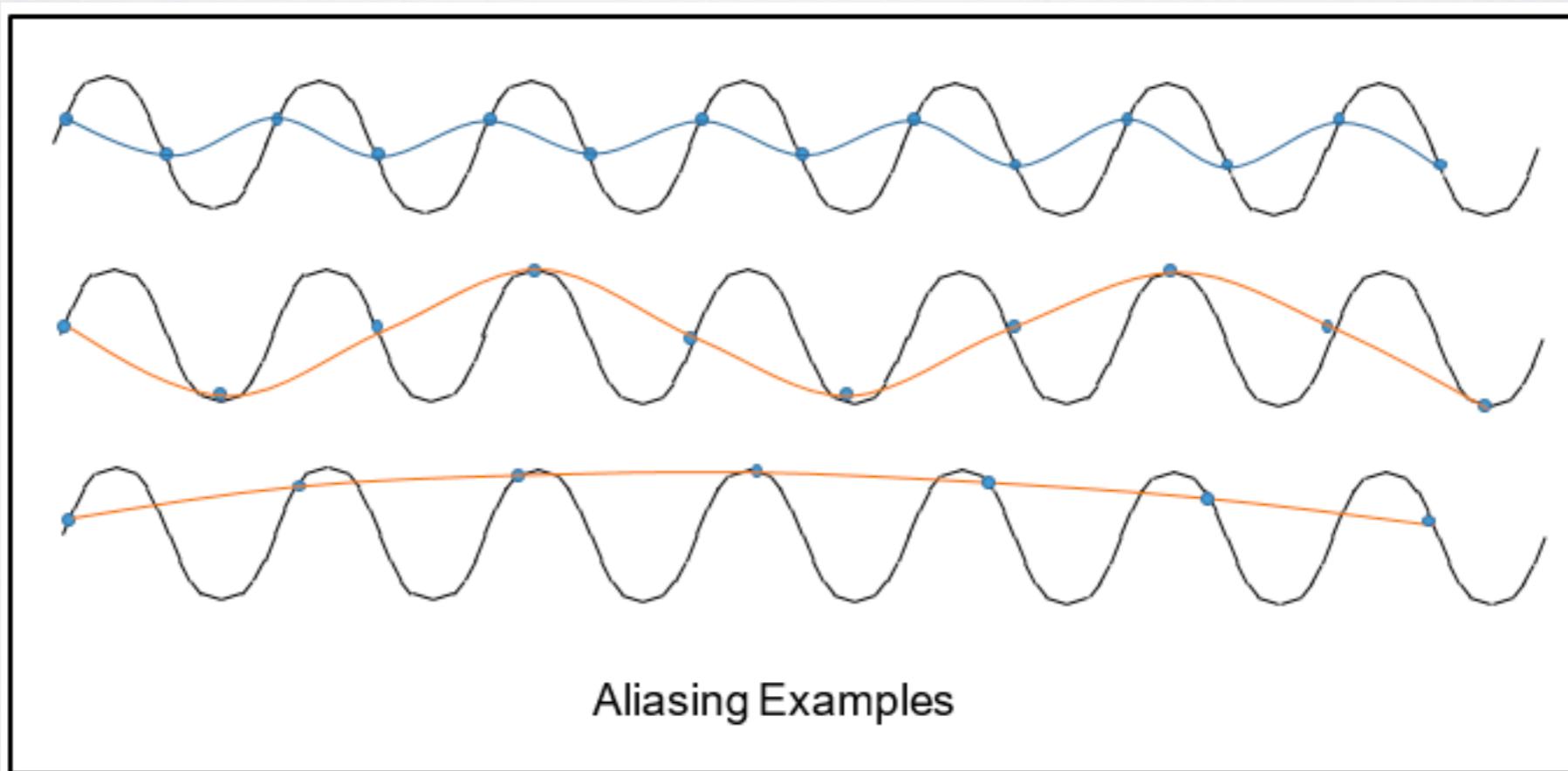
$$\hat{x}_k = \sum_n x_n e^{-i2\pi kn/N}$$
$$\hat{x}_k = \langle x, \mathcal{F}_k \rangle$$



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PROPERTIES OF DFT

- Classical FFT is **ORTHOGONAL**

$$\mathcal{F}^H \mathcal{F} = nI$$

- A re-scaling of it is **UNITARY**

$$\mathcal{F}_\perp^H \mathcal{F}_\perp = I$$

- Computable in $O(N \log N)$ time (Cooley-Tukey)

$$\mathcal{F}x = \begin{pmatrix} I & B \\ I & -B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{F}x_e \\ \mathcal{F}x_o \end{pmatrix}$$

THE CONVOLUTION THEOREM

- Convolution = multiplication in Fourier domain

$$x * y = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\mathcal{F}x \cdot \mathcal{F}y)$$

what does this mean?

A BETTER WAY TO THINK ABOUT IT

$$x * y = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\mathcal{F}x \cdot \mathcal{F}y)$$

- FFT **DIAGONALIZES** convolution matrices

$$Kx = \mathcal{F}^{-1} D \mathcal{F}x$$

Orthogonal Diagonal

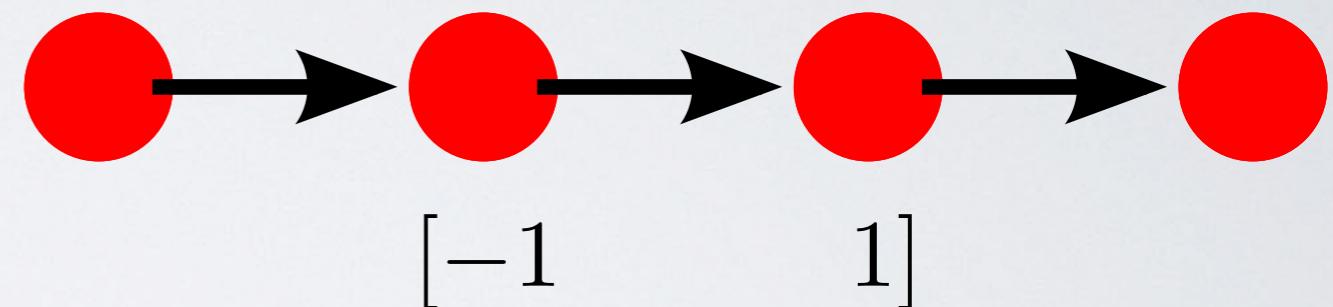
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graph TD; Kx[Kx] -- Orthogonal --> D[D]; D -- Diagonal --> Kx;
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Trivia!

- Is $K_1 K_2 = K_2 K_1$?
- Does $\partial_x \partial_y u = \partial_y \partial_x u$?

HOW DO WE FIGURE OUT D?

- The diagonal matrix is just the FFT of **backward** filter stencil



- Example: derivative

- Define stencil: $[-1 \ 1 \ 0]$
- Convolve with: $[0 \ 1 \ -1]$
- Embed stencil in matrix:
 $s = [1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$

$$Kx = \mathcal{F}^{-1} D \mathcal{F}x$$

- Compute the diagonal

$$D = \mathcal{F}s$$

- Perform convolution using EVD

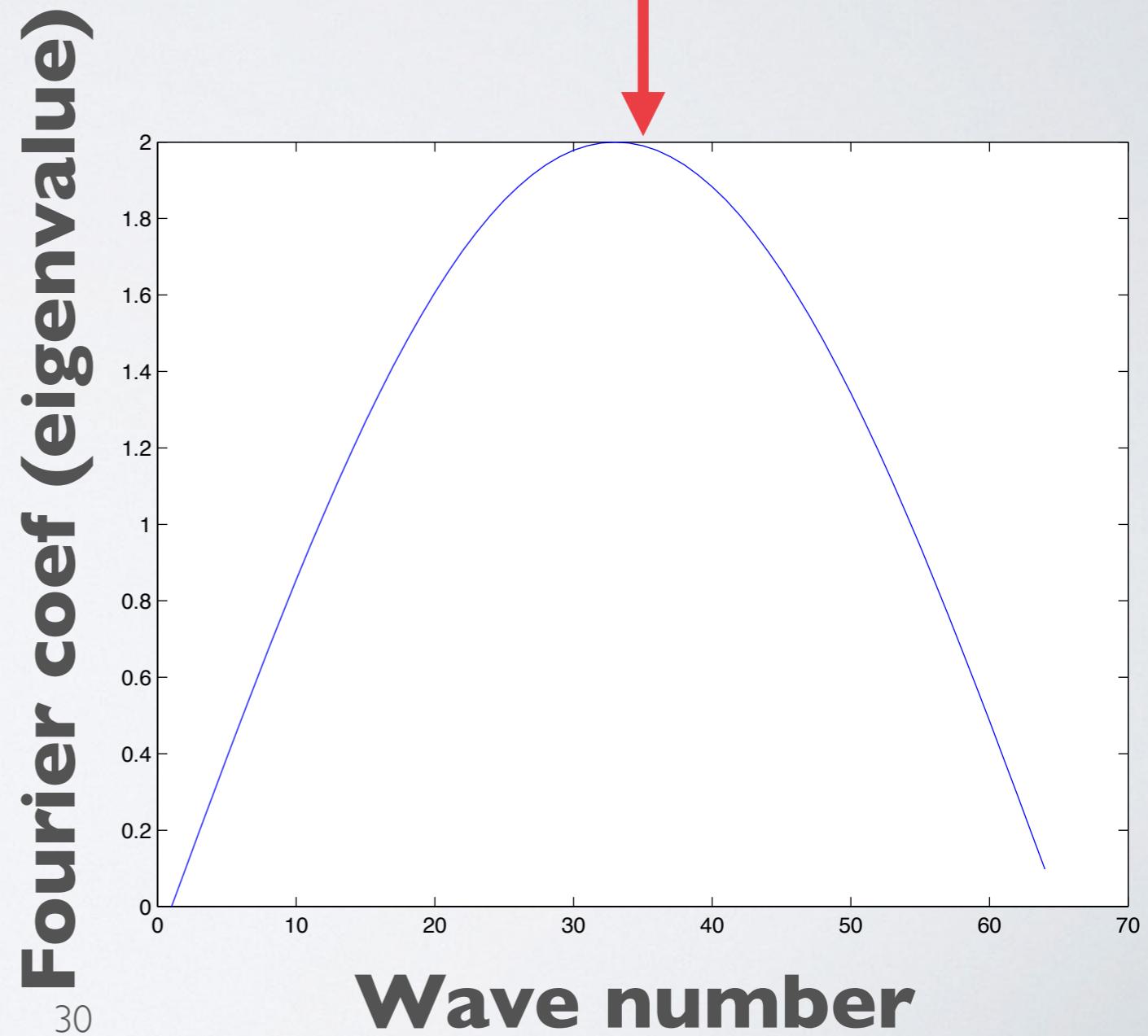
CONDITION NUMBER

$$Kx = \mathcal{F}^{-1} D \mathcal{F} x$$

$$\text{diag}(D) = \mathcal{F}[1, -1, 0, 0, 0]$$

How poorly conditioned
is the FFT?

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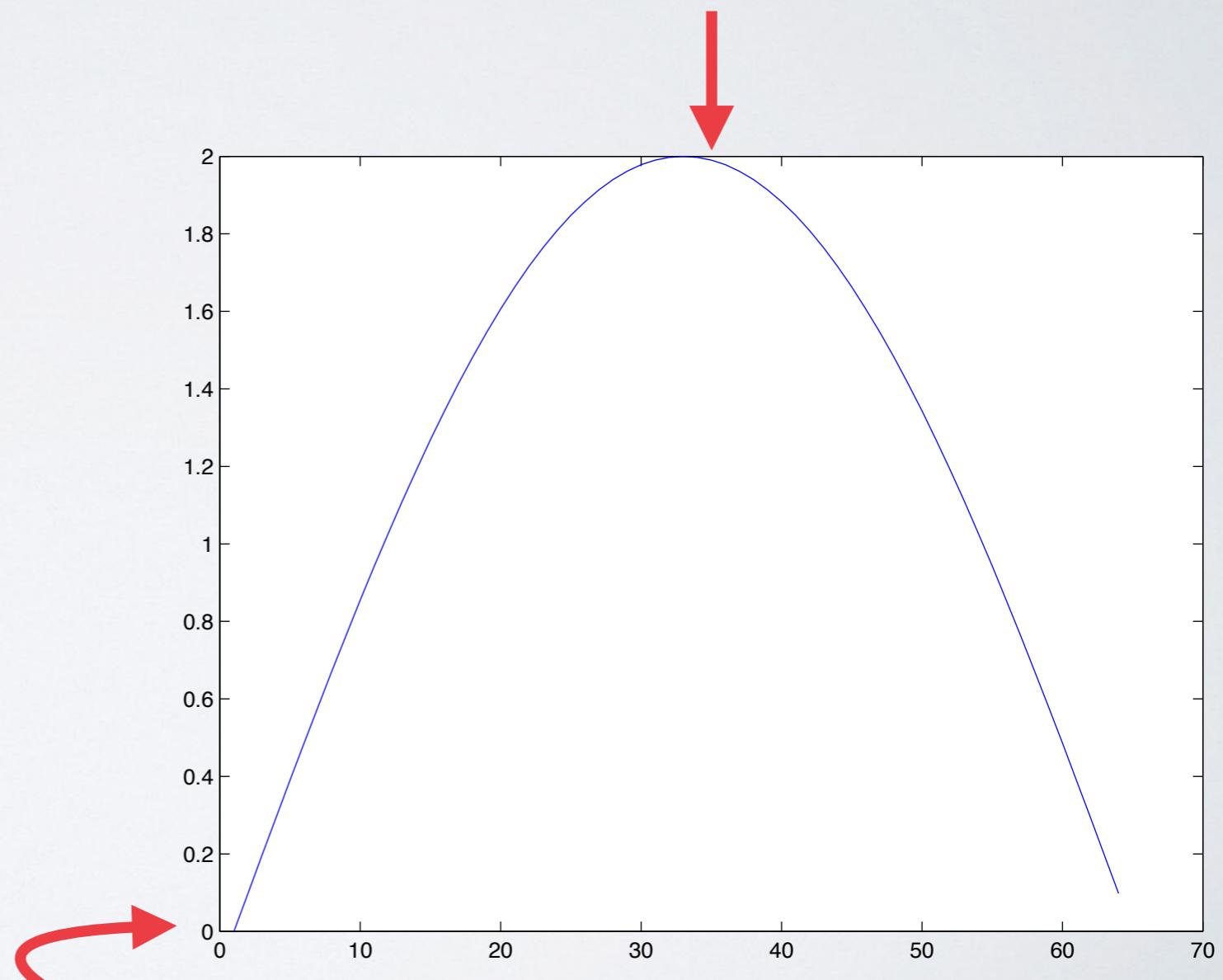
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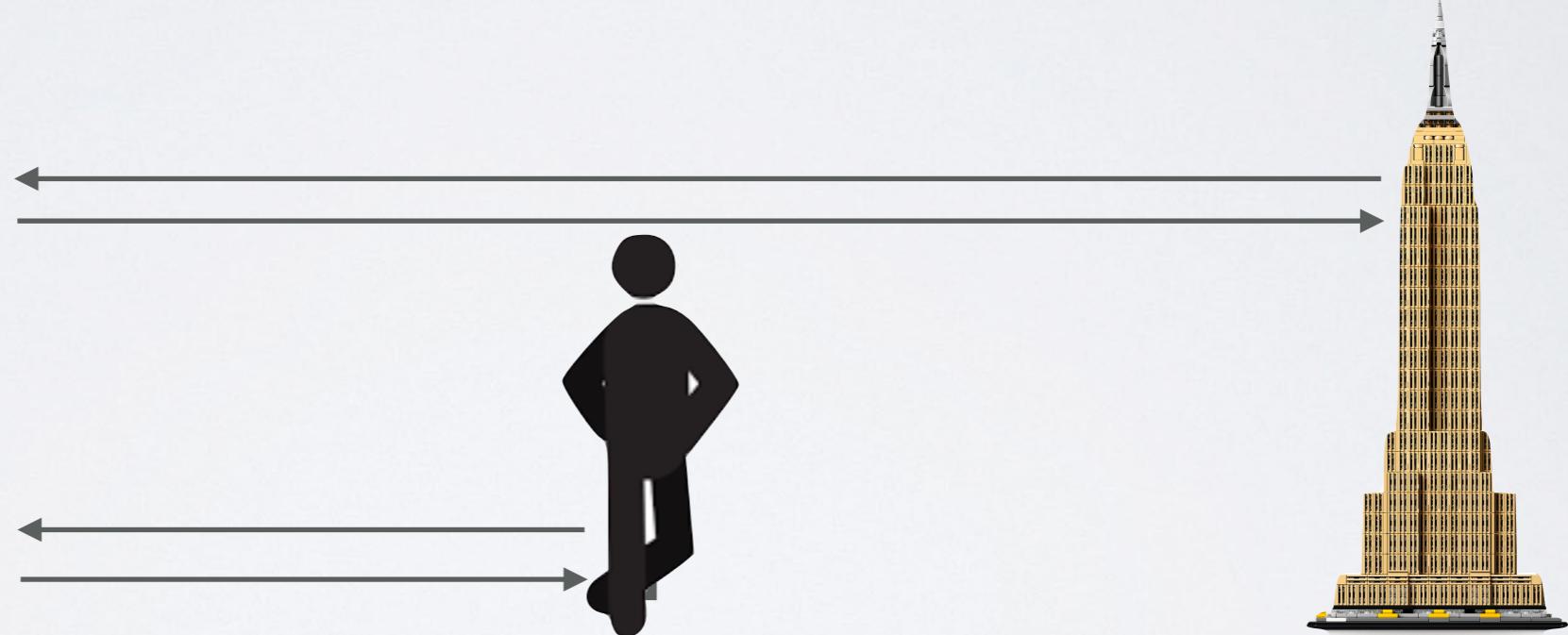
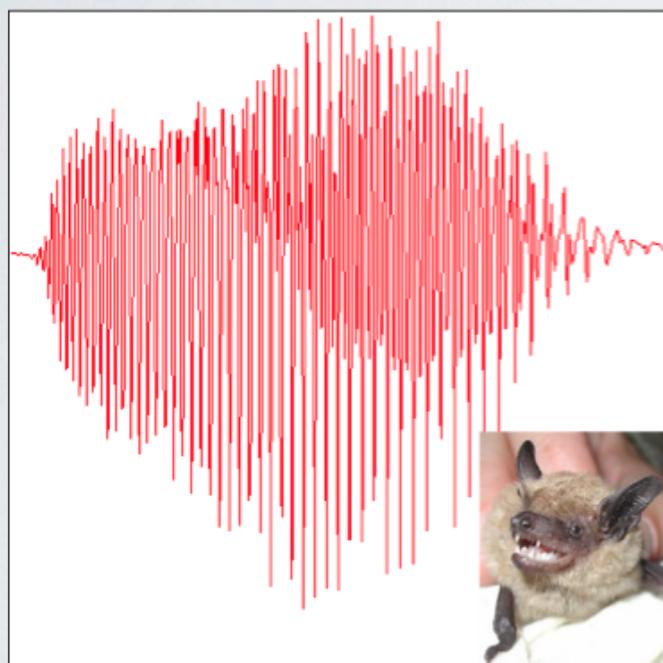
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is a convolution?



Zero: why? What is the eigenvector

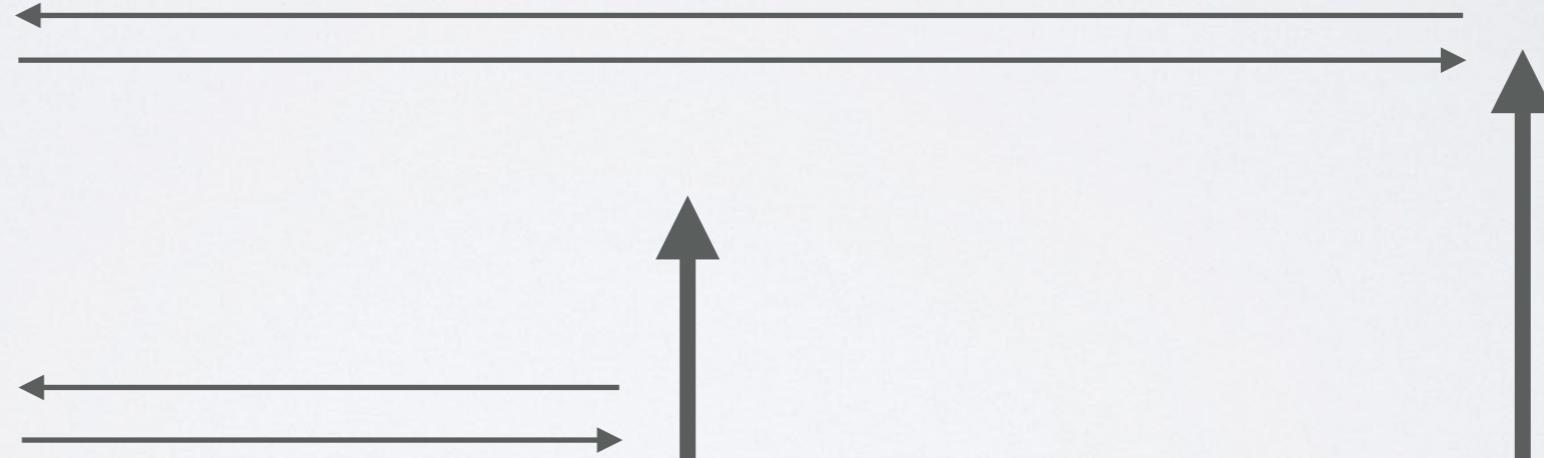
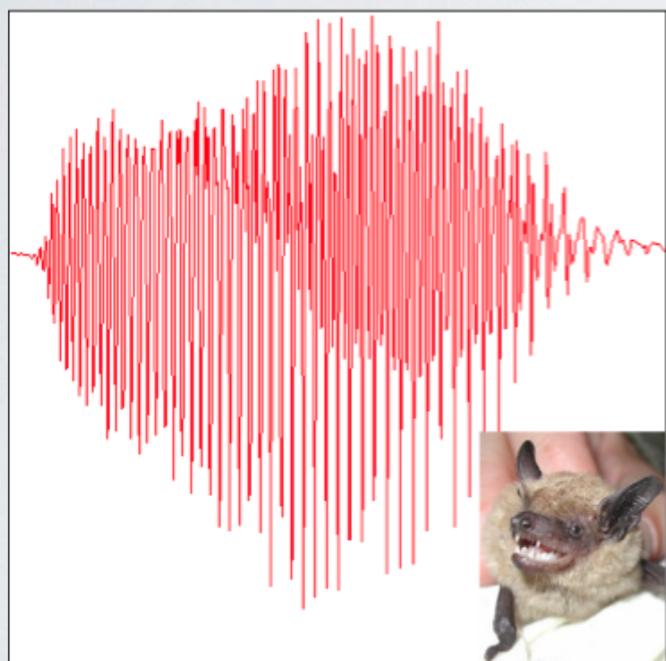
BROWN BAT

x



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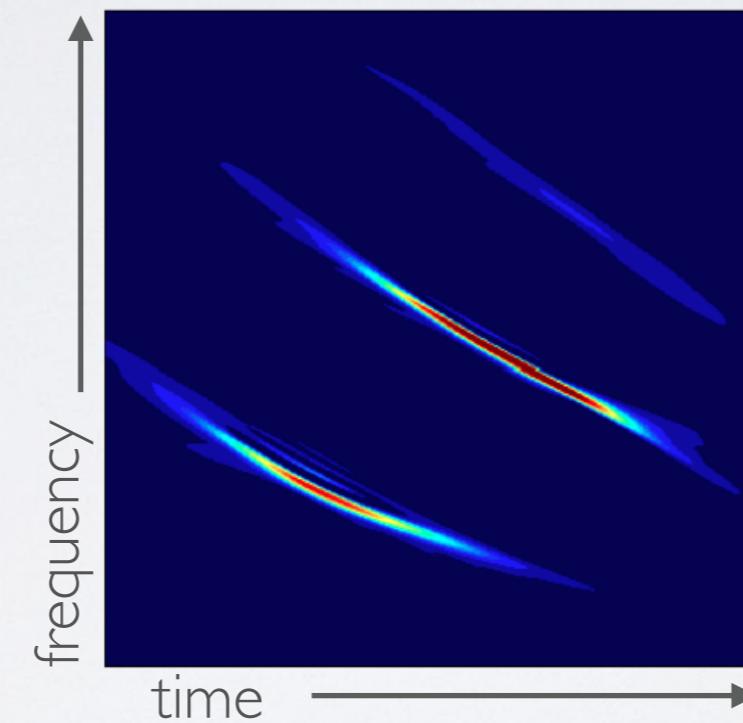
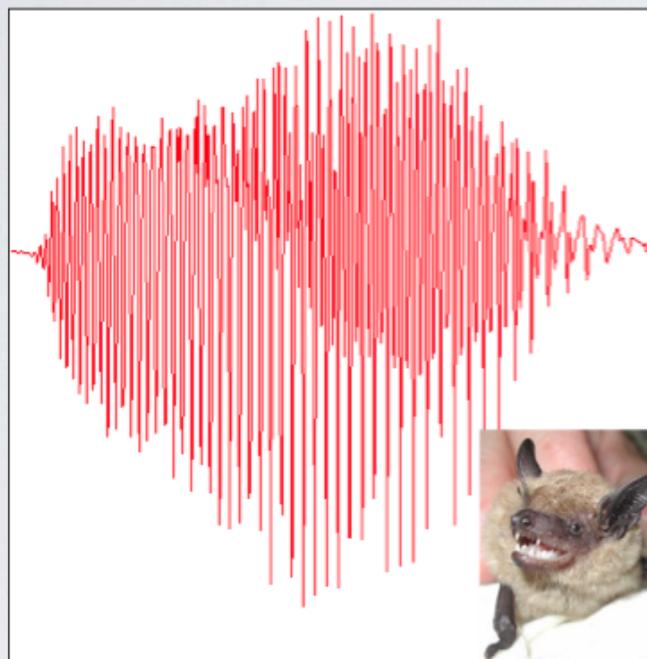


$x \circ f$

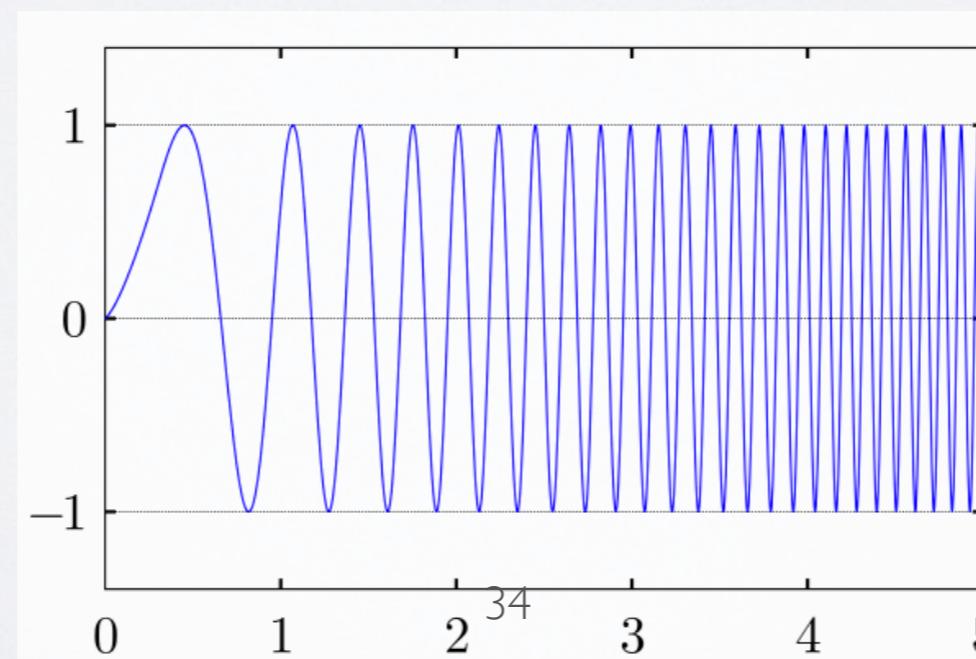
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WHY IS THE CHIRP WELL-CONDITIONED?

Echolocation chirp: brown bat



Linear chirp



FFT IN THE WILD

Matlabs DFT is NOT ORTHOGONAL!

WHY?

Convolution with a delta function = identity

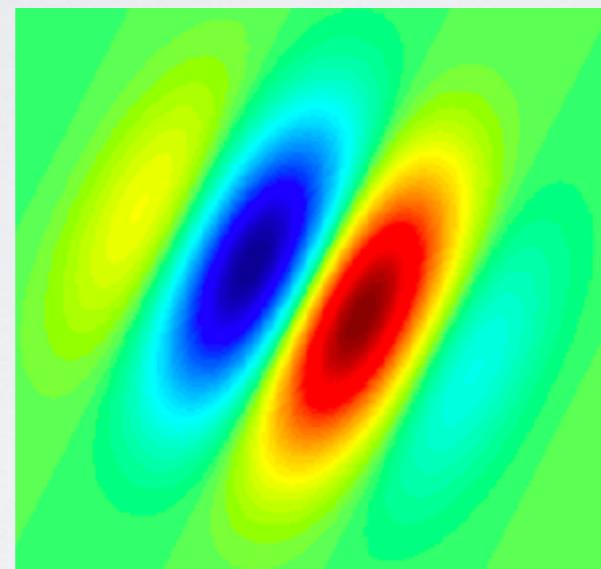
$$\mathcal{F}_\perp = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \mathcal{F} \quad \mathcal{F}_\perp^{-1} = \sqrt{N} \mathcal{F}^{-1}$$

FFT still diagonalizes convolutions!

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1} D \mathcal{F} = \sqrt{N} \mathcal{F}^{-1} D \mathcal{F} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} = \mathcal{F}_\perp^{-1} D \mathcal{F}_\perp$$

Same D

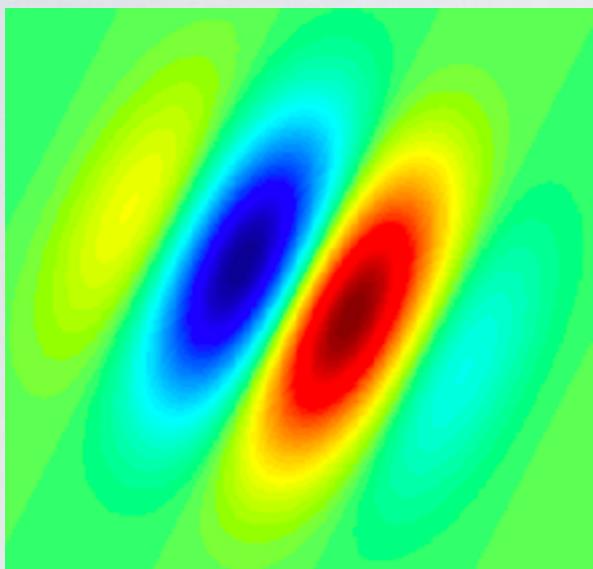
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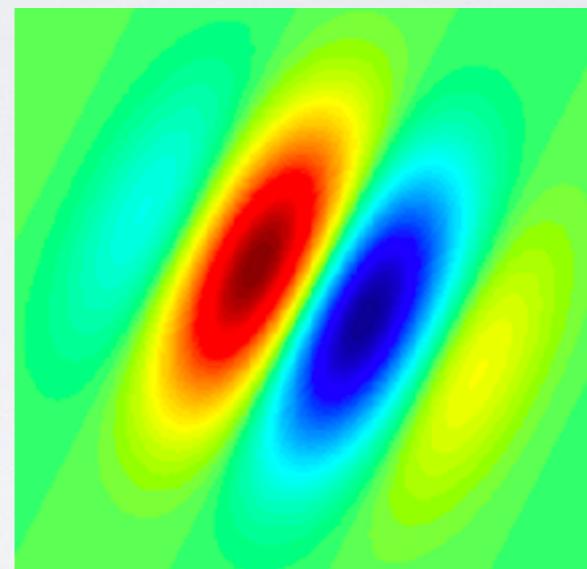
A heatmap visualization of a convolutional feature map. It shows a localized peak of high intensity (red) surrounded by lower intensity regions (blue, cyan, green). The peak is oriented diagonally, suggesting a receptive field with a stride greater than one.

$Kx = \mathcal{F}^{-1} D \mathcal{F} x$

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$$K^H x = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \bar{D} \mathcal{F} x$$