

**Problem 1** (Matricization). Let  $\mathcal{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 3 \times 3}$  be a tensor whose frontal slices are

$$\mathbf{T}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 11 & 29 \\ 2 & 13 & 31 \\ 3 & 17 & 37 \\ 5 & 19 & 41 \\ 7 & 23 & 43 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{T}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 47 & 71 & 97 \\ 53 & 73 & 101 \\ 59 & 79 & 103 \\ 61 & 83 & 107 \\ 67 & 89 & 109 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{T}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 113 & 149 & 173 \\ 127 & 151 & 179 \\ 131 & 157 & 181 \\ 137 & 163 & 191 \\ 139 & 167 & 193 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1.1)$$

Write open

- the matrix  $\mathbf{T}_{(1)}$
- the first five columns and the total dimensions of  $\mathbf{T}_{(2)}$
- the first five columns and the total dimensions of  $\mathbf{T}_{(3)}$

*Solution.*

a)

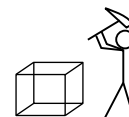
$$\mathbf{T}_{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 11 & 29 & 47 & 71 & 97 & 113 & 149 & 173 \\ 2 & 13 & 31 & 53 & 73 & 101 & 127 & 151 & 179 \\ 3 & 17 & 37 & 59 & 79 & 103 & 131 & 157 & 181 \\ 5 & 19 & 41 & 61 & 83 & 107 & 137 & 163 & 191 \\ 7 & 23 & 43 & 67 & 89 & 109 & 139 & 167 & 193 \end{pmatrix}$$

b)

$$\mathbf{T}_{(2)}(:, 1:5) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 11 & 13 & 17 & 19 & 23 \\ 29 & 31 & 37 & 41 & 43 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{T}_{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 15}$$

c)

$$\mathbf{T}_{(3)}(:, 1:5) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 47 & 53 & 59 & 61 & 67 \\ 113 & 127 & 131 & 137 & 139 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{T}_{(3)} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 15}$$



**Problem 2** (Tensor-vector product). Let  $\mathcal{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 3 \times 3}$  be as in (1.1) and let

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Calculate

a)  $\mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{v}$

b)  $\mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_3 \mathbf{w}$ .

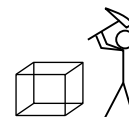
*Solution.*

a)

$$\mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 69 & 909 & 2003 \\ 279 & 1231 & 2409 \\ 581 & 1581 & 2803 \end{pmatrix}$$

b)

$$\mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_3 \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 547 & 749 & 915 \\ 616 & 763 & 949 \\ 645 & 803 & 967 \\ 675 & 837 & 1019 \\ 697 & 869 & 1033 \end{pmatrix}$$



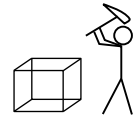
**Problem 3** (Tensor-matrix product). Let  $\mathcal{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 3 \times 3}$  be as in (1.1) and let

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Calculate  $\mathcal{T} \times_1 M$ .

*Solution.* The result is a 2-by-3-by-3 tensor with frontal slices as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{T} \times_1 M)_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} 36 & 166 & 362 \\ 54 & 249 & 543 \end{pmatrix} \\ (\mathcal{T} \times_1 M)_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 574 & 790 & 1034 \\ 861 & 1185 & 1551 \end{pmatrix} \\ (\mathcal{T} \times_1 M)_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1294 & 1574 & 1834 \\ 1941 & 2361 & 2751 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



**Problem 4** (Tensors as multilinear maps). Matrices are often presented as linear maps between two vector spaces,  $\mathbf{M}: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{v}$ . In some literature (especially physics), tensors are considered as *multi-linear* maps from product vector spaces to real numbers. For example, if  $\mathcal{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J \times K}$ , we interpret  $\mathcal{T}: \mathbb{R}^I \times \mathbb{R}^J \times \mathbb{R}^K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . The multi-linear map is defined as

$$\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{u} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{v} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{w} .$$

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be as in (1.1) and let

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} .$$

Calculate  $\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})$ .

*N.B. The original version of this question had a typo in the first equation, which has been corrected.*

*Solution.*

$$\mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 69 & 909 & 2003 \\ 279 & 1231 & 2409 \\ 581 & 1581 & 2803 \end{pmatrix} \tag{4.1}$$

$$(\mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{u}) \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2951 \\ 9695 \\ 18033 \end{pmatrix} \tag{4.2}$$

$$((\mathcal{T} \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{u}) \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{v}) \bar{\times}_1 \mathbf{w} = 183559 \tag{4.3}$$