

# Challenge Puzzle

Hints toward Solution

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- Suppose we have 1,000 individuals that have been divided into 5 different groups each year for 20 years.
- We need to make a 1000x1000 matrix  $\mathbf{C}$  where
$$\mathbf{C}_{ij} = \# \text{ times person } i \text{ grouped with person } j$$
- The data currently has 1000 rows and  $5 \times 20 = 100$  binary columns indicating whether each individual was a member of each group (yLgK: yearLgroupK):  
(y1g1, y1g2, y1g3, y1g4, y1g5, y2g1, ... y20g5)
- Can we use what we've just learned to help us here?

# Hint 1

Define a subgoal

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Think about an “adjacency matrix” for each year. For each year, this matrix would be binary and indicate whether or not the individuals were in the same group.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_{ij} &= 1 \text{ if person } i \text{ grouped with person } j, \\ \mathbf{A}_{ij} &= 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

If you had such a matrix for each year, you could simply add them up to get the desired matrix  $\mathbf{C}$

# Hint 2

A piece of the subgoal

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Suppose I have 4 people and I divide them into group A and group B:

Person	Group A	Group B
Jojo	1	0
Mimi	1	0
Lily	0	1
Mr. T	0	1

Let's look at the outer product of the first column with itself:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Hint 2

If that doesn't quite help, let's label the columns:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Jojo} \\ \text{Mimi} \\ \text{Lily} \\ \text{Mr. T} \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \text{Jojo} & \text{Mimi} & \text{Lily} & \text{Mr. T} \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{Jojo} & \text{Mimi} & \text{Lily} & \text{Mr. T} \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{c} \text{Jojo} \\ \text{Mimi} \\ \text{Lily} \\ \text{Mr. T} \end{array}$$

This product gives us *part* of the adjacency matrix for that one year...the part for group A...

## Hint 3

Finding the subgoal solution. Sort of.



## Hint 3

To get the *whole* adjacency matrix for that year, we can add in the part for group B:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Hint 4

Thiiiiinnnnkkkk about it

# Hint 4

The best part is when we factor in the information from this next slide of the notes:

# Matrix-Matrix Multiplication (O-P View)

We can write the product  $\mathbf{AB}$  as a *sum of outer products* of columns of  $\mathbf{A}_{(m \times n)}$  and rows of  $\mathbf{B}_{(n \times p)}$

$$\mathbf{AB} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{A}_{\star i} \mathbf{B}_{i \star}$$

This view decomposes the product  $\mathbf{AB}$  into the sum of  $n$  matrices, each of which has rank 1 (discussed later).

# Hint 5

This is it, right here...

# Matrix-Matrix Multiplication (O-P View)

We can write the product  $\mathbf{AB}$  as a *sum of outer products* of columns of  $\mathbf{A}_{(m \times n)}$  and rows of  $\mathbf{B}_{(n \times p)}$

We can turn it into  
a matrix product!

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{AB} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{A}_{\star i} \mathbf{B}_{i \star}$$

We have a sum  
of outer products

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Another View

via InnerProducts

# An Easier(!?) Way...

- ▶ You might argue that the following is a more straightforward way to view the solution.
- ▶ It may be - but the former solution opens the door to other problems that are much more subtle in nature than the straight inner product solution.



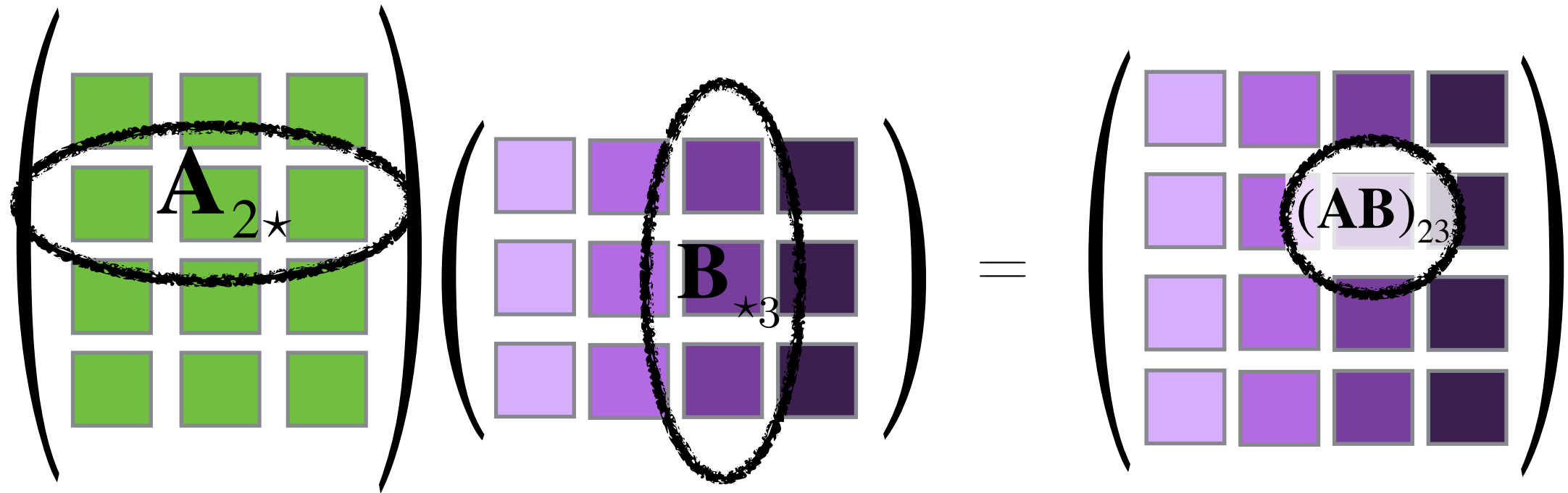
# The Inner Product

- ▶ Let  $\mathbf{x}_i^T$  be a row of the data matrix as described, so that  $\mathbf{x}_i^T$  has 100 entries, each specifying whether or not person  $i$  was placed in each of the 100 groups.
- ▶ It should be clear that  $\text{sum}(\mathbf{x}_i^T) = 20$  for each person  $i$ .
- ▶ Consider  $\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j$ . What would be the result of this calculation? If you can't see immediately, write an example similar to what we did in the previous solution.

# The Inner Product

Now let's use the information from the following slide:

# Matrix-Matrix Multiplication (I-P View)



$$(\mathbf{AB})_{ij} = \mathbf{A}_{i\star} \mathbf{B}_{\star j}$$

# The Inner Product

So with this in mind, can you figure out how to make the matrix of inner products that provides the solution that we want?