

# Building a matrix model for one-dimensional convolution

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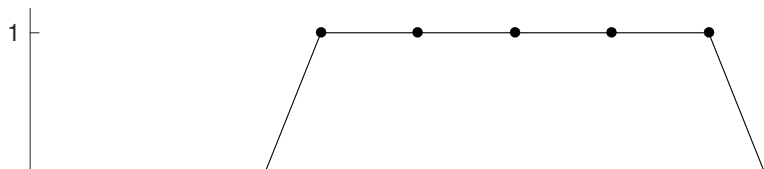
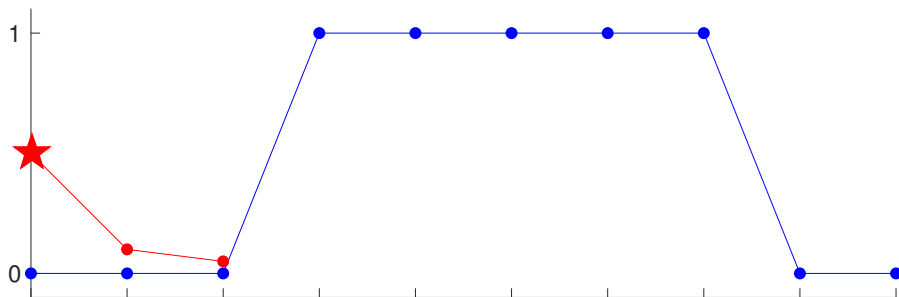
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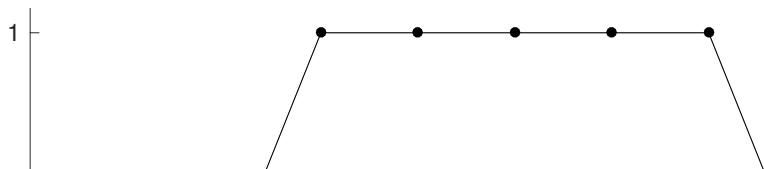
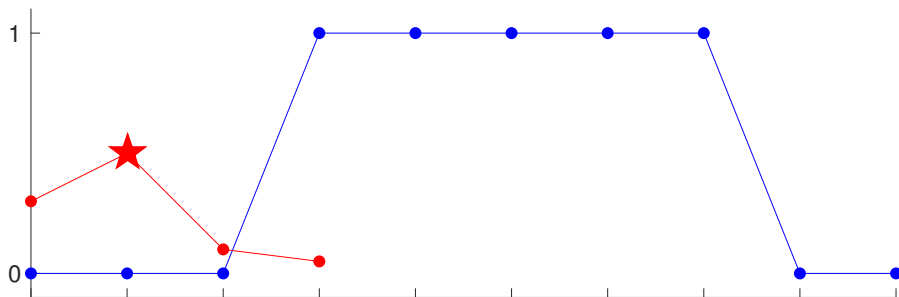
The convolution process

Constructing the matrix

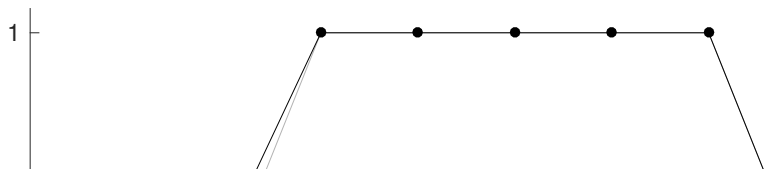
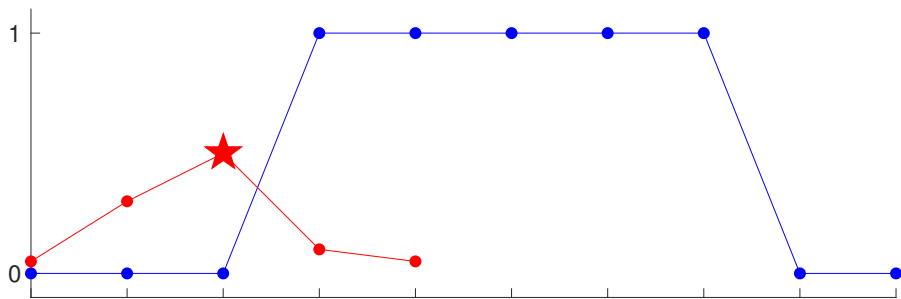
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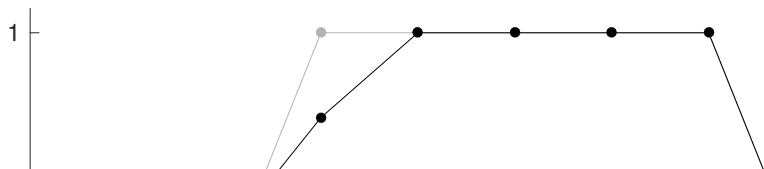
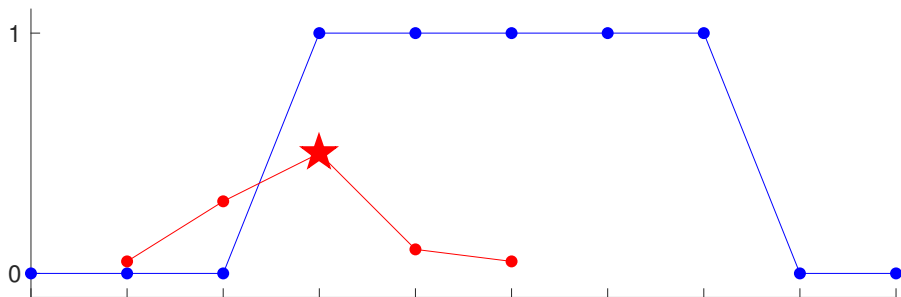
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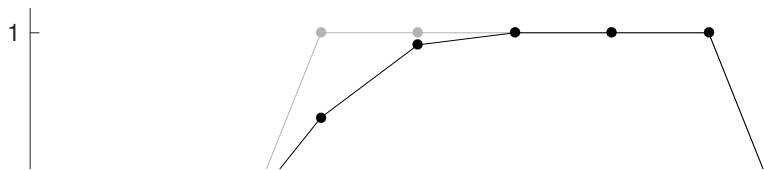
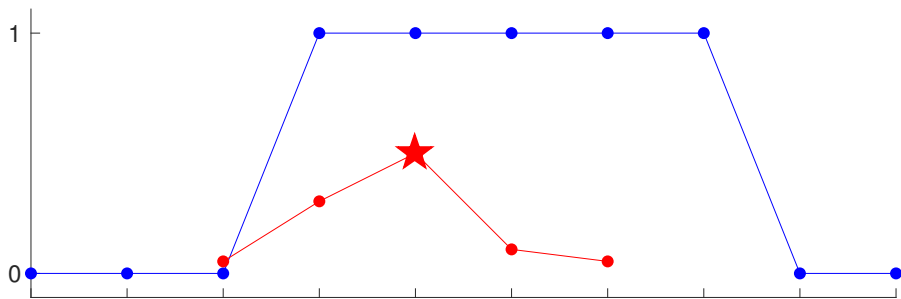
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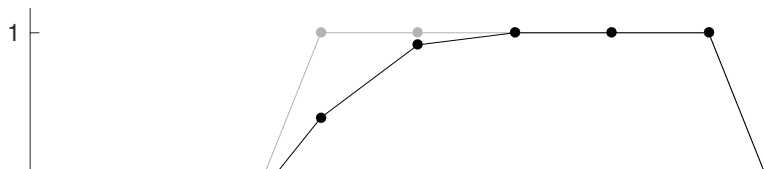
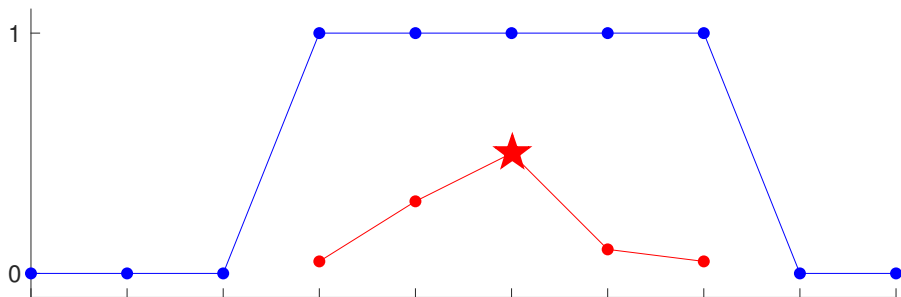
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# Convolution, position 5

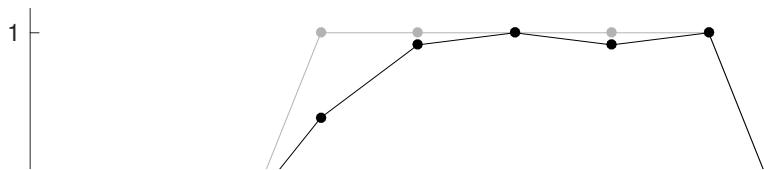
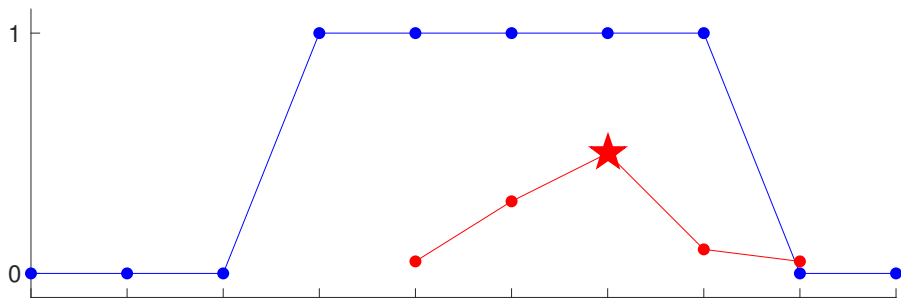


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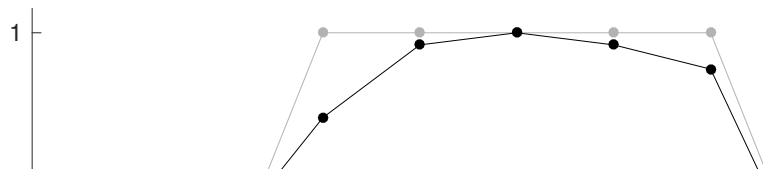
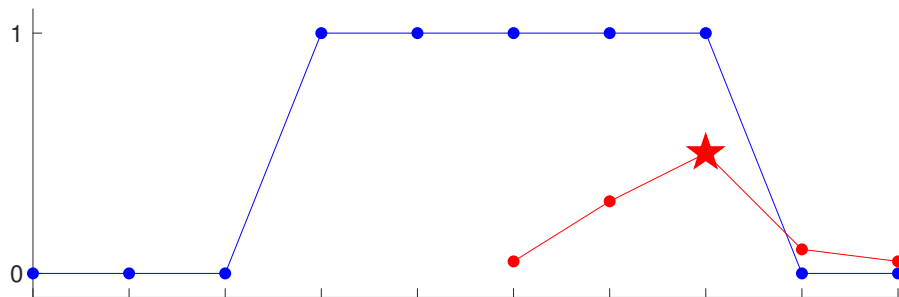




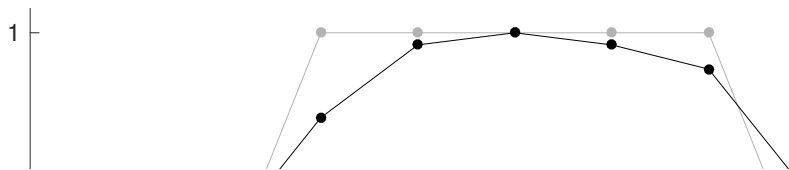
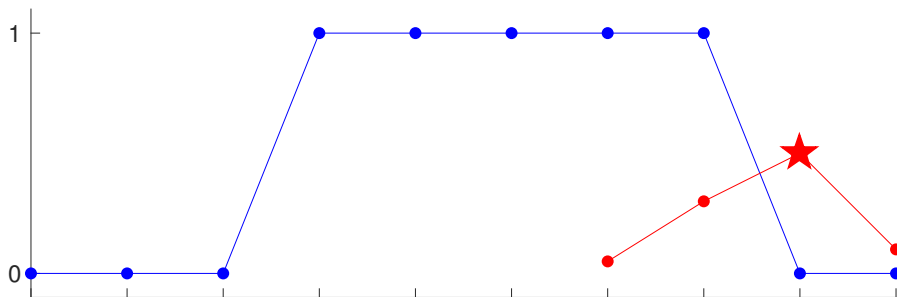
# Convolution, position 7



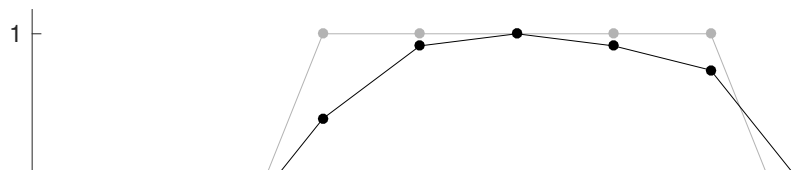
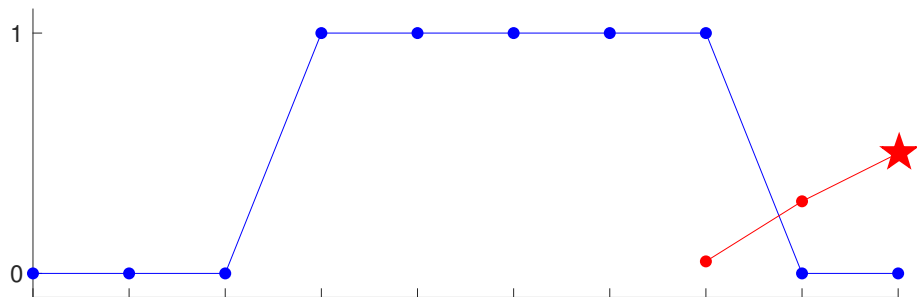
# Convolution, position 8



# Convolution, position 9



# Convolution, position 10



## We define discrete convolution using periodic boundary conditions

Let  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $s \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . We call  $s$  the *signal* and  $p$  the *point spread function (PSF)*.

Convolution, denoted by  $p * s \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , is defined by the formula

$$(p * s)_j = \sum_{\ell=1}^n p_{\ell} s_{j-\ell}, \quad (1)$$

where  $s_{j-\ell}$  is defined by periodic extension for the cases  $j - \ell < 1$  and  $j - \ell > n$ . For example,  $s_0 = s_n$  and  $s_{-1} = s_{n-1}$  and  $s_{n+1} = s_1$ .

Step-by-step construction of the convolution vector (1) is shown in the following slides for a special case with  $n = 10$ . Note that only nonzero elements of  $p \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are plotted. The elements  $(p * s)_j$  are shown in blue color; the last slide (position 10) shows the complete vector  $p * s \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

# Outline

The convolution process

Constructing the matrix

Given a PSF vector  $p$ , the mapping  $\mathcal{A} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by  $\mathcal{A}(s) = p * s$  is linear

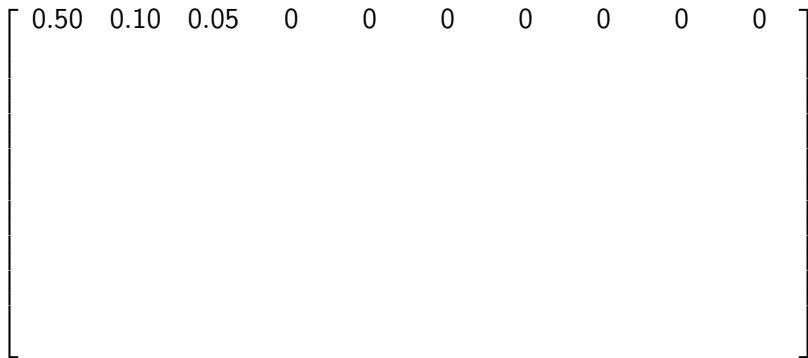
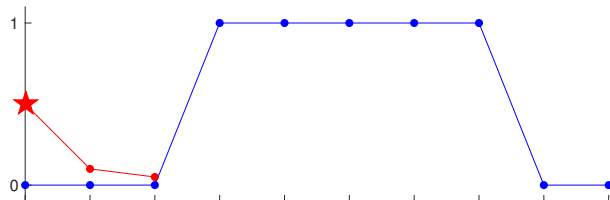
Therefore, we can construct a  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  so that

$$\mathcal{A}(s) = As.$$

The following slides demonstrate the construction of the matrix  $A$ . Note that the structure of  $A$  is highly redundant as the same PSF elements appear many times.

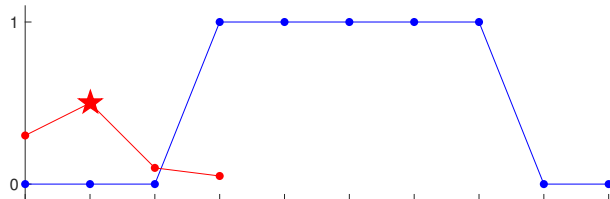
The Matlab command `convmtx.m` is useful for building convolution matrices.

# Convolution matrix, positions up to 1

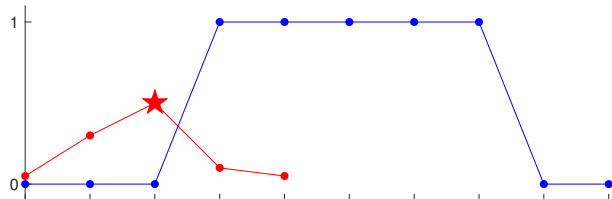




# Convolution matrix, positions up to 2

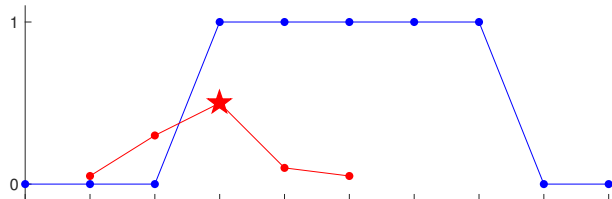

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Convolution matrix, positions up to 3

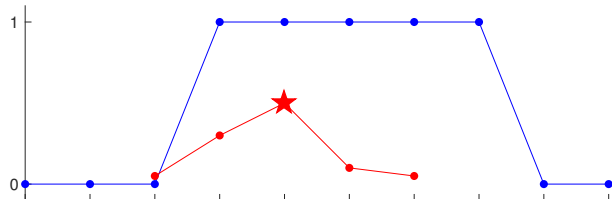


0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0

# Convolution matrix, positions up to 4

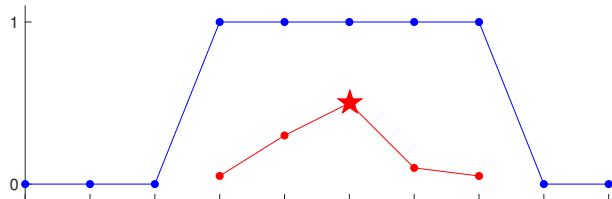

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.05 & 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.05 & 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Convolution matrix, positions up to 5

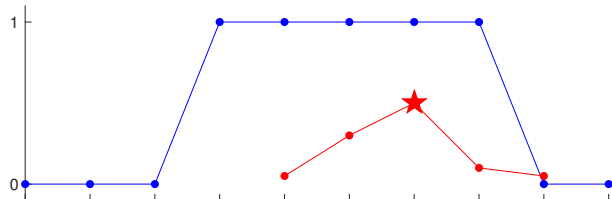


0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0
0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0
0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0

# Convolution matrix, positions up to 6

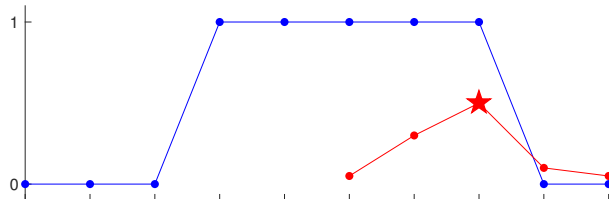

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.05 & 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.05 & 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.05 & 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.05 & 0.30 & 0.50 & 0.10 & 0.05 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Convolution matrix, positions up to 7



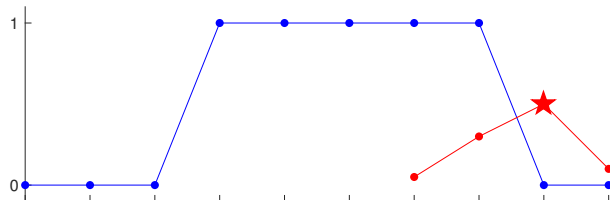
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0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0
0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0
0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0
0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0
0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0

# Convolution matrix, positions up to 8



0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0
0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0
0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0
0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0
0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0
0	0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05

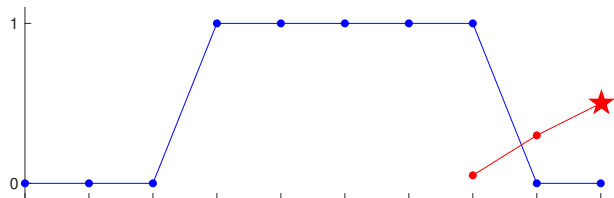
# Convolution matrix, positions up to 9



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0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0
0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0
0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0
0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0
0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0
0	0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05
0	0	0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10



# Convolution matrix, positions up to 10



0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0	0
0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0	0
0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0	0
0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0	0
0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05	0
0	0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10	0.05
0	0	0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50	0.10
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.05	0.30	0.50