

Tensor Decompositions and Applications

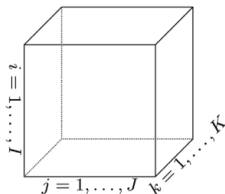
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Definitions and Operations: What Is Tensor

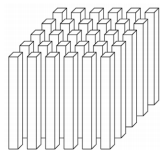
- 1 A tensor is a multidimensional array
- 2 An N-dimensional array is called N-way tensor or Nth-order tensor



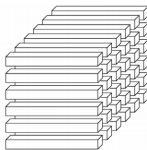
Definitions and Operations: What Is Tensor

	Matrix A	Tensor \mathcal{X}
Element	a_{ij}	x_{ijk}
Subarrays	$a_{:j}$ (columns) a_i (rows)	x_{ij} (Fibers) $X_{i::}$ (Slices)
Norm	$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}^2}$	$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^s x_{ijk}^2}$
Symmetry	$A = A^T$	$x_{ijk} = x_{ikj} = x_{jik} = x_{jki} = x_{kij} = x_{kji}$

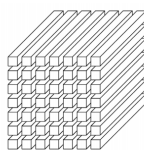
Definitions and Operations: Subarrays



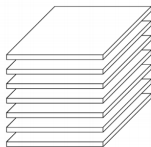
(a) Mode-1 (column) fibers: $\mathbf{x}_{:,j,k}$



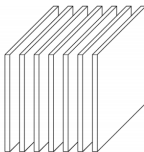
(b) Mode-2 (row) fibers: $\mathbf{x}_{i,:k}$



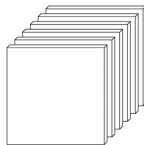
(c) Mode-3 (tube) fibers: $\mathbf{x}_{ij,:}$



(a) Horizontal slices: $\mathbf{X}_{i,:}$



(b) Lateral slices: $\mathbf{X}_{:,j}$



(c) Frontal slices: $\mathbf{X}_{:,k}$ (or \mathbf{X}_k)

Definitions and Operations: Matricization

- 1 Matricization, also known as unfolding or flattening, is the process of reordering the elements of an N-way array into a matrix.
- 2 The mode- n matricization of a tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{l_1 \times l_2 \times \dots \times l_m}$ is denoted by $X(n)$ and arranges the mode- n fibers to be the columns of the resulting matrix.

Definitions and Operations: Matricization

Let the frontal slices of $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4 \times 2}$ be

$$\mathbf{X}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 & 10 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 11 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 12 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{X}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 16 & 19 & 22 \\ 14 & 17 & 20 & 23 \\ 15 & 18 & 21 & 24 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the three mode- n unfoldings are

$$\mathbf{X}_{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 & 10 & 13 & 16 & 19 & 22 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 11 & 14 & 17 & 20 & 23 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 12 & 15 & 18 & 21 & 24 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 13 & 14 & 15 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 16 & 17 & 18 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & 19 & 20 & 21 \\ 10 & 11 & 12 & 22 & 23 & 24 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{(3)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & \dots & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 & 17 & \dots & 21 & 22 & 23 & 24 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Definitions and Operations: Multiplication

The n -mode (matrix) product of a tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ with a matrix $U \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times I_n}$ is denoted by $\mathcal{X} \times_n U$ and is of size $I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1} \times J \times I_{n+1} \times \dots \times I_N$. Elementwise, we have

$$(\mathcal{X} \times_n U)_{i_1 \dots i_{n-1} j i_{n+1} \dots i_N} = \sum_{i_n=1}^{I_n} x_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N} u_{j i_n}$$

Some properties:

$$\mathcal{X} \times_m A \times_n B = \mathcal{X} \times_n B \times_m A \quad (m \neq n)$$

$$\mathcal{X} \times_n A \times_n B = \mathcal{X} \times_n (BA)$$

Definitions and Operations: Multiplication

Kronecker product:

Given matrices $A \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L}$, their Kronecker product is denoted by $A \otimes B$. The result is a matrix of size $(IK) \times (JL)$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} &= \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}\mathbf{B} & a_{12}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{1J}\mathbf{B} \\ a_{21}\mathbf{B} & a_{22}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{2J}\mathbf{B} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I1}\mathbf{B} & a_{I2}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{IJ}\mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [\mathbf{a}_1 \otimes \mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_1 \otimes \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \mathbf{a}_1 \otimes \mathbf{b}_3 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_J \otimes \mathbf{b}_{L-1} \quad \mathbf{a}_J \otimes \mathbf{b}_L]. \end{aligned}$$

Definitions and Operations: Multiplication

Khatri-Rao product:

It is the matching columnwise Kronecker product. Given matrices $A \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times K}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times K}$, their Khatri-Rao product is denoted by $A \odot B$. The result is a matrix of size $(IJ) \times K$ defined by

$$\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{a}_1 \otimes \mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \otimes \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_K \otimes \mathbf{b}_K].$$

Definitions and Operations: Multiplication

Hadamard product:

The Hadamard product is the elementwise matrix product. Given matrices A and B , both of size $I \times J$, their Hadamard product is denoted by $A * B$. The result is also of size $I \times J$ and defined by

$$\mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} & \cdots & a_{1J}b_{1J} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} & \cdots & a_{2J}b_{2J} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I1}b_{I1} & a_{I2}b_{I2} & \cdots & a_{IJ}b_{IJ} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Definitions and Operations: Rank

An N-way tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ is rank one if it can be written as the outer product of N vectors, i.e.,

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathbf{a}^{(1)} \circ \mathbf{a}^{(2)} \circ \dots \circ \mathbf{a}^{(N)}$$

Each element is the product of the corresponding vector elements:

$$x_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N} = a_{i_1}^{(1)} a_{i_2}^{(2)} \dots a_{i_N}^{(N)}$$

CP Decomposition

The CP decomposition factorizes a tensor into a sum of component rank-one tensors. For example, given a third-order tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J \times K}$, we wish to write it as:

$$\mathcal{X} \approx \sum_{r=1}^R a_r \circ b_r \circ c_r$$

where R is a positive integer and $a_r \in \mathbb{R}^I$, $b_r \in \mathbb{R}^J$ and $c_r \in \mathbb{R}^K$ for $r = 1, \dots, R$. Elementwise:

$$x_{ijk} \approx \sum_{r=1}^R a_{ir} b_{jr} c_{kr}$$

CP Decomposition

The factor matrix is the combination of the vectors from the rank-one components:

$$A = [a_1; a_2; \dots a_R]$$

Then the CP model can be expressed as:

$$\mathcal{X} \approx [A, B, C] \equiv \sum_{r=1}^R a_r \circ b_r \circ c_r$$

If we normalize matrices to length one:

$$\mathcal{X} \approx [\lambda; A, B, C] \equiv \sum_{r=1}^R \lambda_r a_r \circ b_r \circ c_r$$

CP Decomposition: Rank

- 1 The rank of a tensor \mathcal{X} , denoted $\text{rank}(\mathcal{X})$, is defined as the smallest number of rank-one tensors that generate \mathcal{X} as their sum. In other words, this is the smallest number of components in an exact CP decomposition.
- 2 An exact CP decomposition with $R = \text{rank}(\mathcal{X})$ components is called the rank decomposition.
- 3 The definition of tensor rank is an exact analogue to the definition of matrix rank.

- The rank of a real-valued tensor may actually be different over \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{C} .

Here are frontal slices of a tensor:

$$\mathbf{X}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{X}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The rank decomposition over \mathbb{R} :

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

The rank decomposition over \mathbb{C} :

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -i & i \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -i \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ i & -i \end{bmatrix}.$$

CP Decomposition: Rank

- There is no straightforward algorithm to determine the rank of a specific given tensor. The problem is NP-hard.
- Tensors may have different maximum and typical ranks.
 - 1 The maximum rank is defined as the largest attainable rank.
 - 2 The typical rank is any rank that occurs with probability greater than zero (i.e., on a set with positive Lebesgue measure).

For the collection of $I \times J$ matrices, the maximum and typical ranks are identical and equal to $\min\{I, J\}$. For tensors, the two ranks may be different. Moreover, over \mathbb{R} , there may be more than one typical rank, whereas there is always only one typical rank over \mathbb{C} .

CP Decomposition: Rank Decomposition

- Higher-order tensors is that their rank decompositions are often unique, whereas matrix decompositions are not.

Let $X \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$ be a matrix of rank R . Then a rank decomposition of this matrix is

$$X = AB^T = \sum_{r=1}^R a_r \circ b_r$$

If the SVD of X is $U\Sigma V^T$, then we can choose $A = U\Sigma W$ and $B = VW$, where W is some $R \times R$ orthogonal matrix.

CP Decomposition: Rank Decomposition

The k -rank of a matrix A , denoted k_A , is defined as the maximum value k such that any k columns are linearly independent.

A sufficient condition for uniqueness for CP decomposition of a three-way tensor is:

$$k_A + k_B + k_C \geq 2R + 2$$

For N -way tensor, the condition is:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N k_{A^{(n)}} \geq 2R + (N - 1)$$

For a given Three-way tensor, its CP decomposition is deterministically or generically (i.e., with probability one) unique if

$$R \leq K \quad \text{and} \quad R(R - 1) \leq I(I - 1)J(J - 1)/2$$

CP Decomposition: Low Rank Approximation

Let R be the rank of a matrix A and assume its SVD is given by

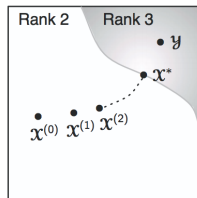
$$A = \sum_{r=1}^R \sigma_r u_r \circ v_r \quad \text{with} \quad \sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_R > 0$$

Then a rank- k approximation that minimizes $\|A - B\|$ is given by

$$B = \sum_{r=1}^k \sigma_r u_r \circ v_r$$

CP Decomposition: Low Rank Approximation

The best rank- k approximation may not exist.



Border rank: the minimum number of rank-one tensors that are sufficient to approximate the given tensor with arbitrarily small nonzero error.

$$\widetilde{\text{rank}}(\mathcal{X}) = \min\{ r \mid \text{for any } \epsilon > 0, \text{ there exists a tensor } \mathcal{E} \\ \text{such that } \|\mathcal{E}\| < \epsilon \text{ and } \text{rank}(\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{E}) = r \}.$$

CP Decomposition: Computing Decomposition

Algorithm:

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procedure CP-ALS( $\mathbf{X}, R$ )  
  initialize  $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R}$  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$   
  repeat  
    for  $n = 1, \dots, N$  do  
       $\mathbf{V} \leftarrow \mathbf{A}^{(1)\top} \mathbf{A}^{(1)} * \dots * \mathbf{A}^{(n-1)\top} \mathbf{A}^{(n-1)} * \mathbf{A}^{(n+1)\top} \mathbf{A}^{(n+1)} * \dots * \mathbf{A}^{(N)\top} \mathbf{A}^{(N)}$   
       $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \leftarrow \mathbf{X}^{(n)} (\mathbf{A}^{(N)} \odot \dots \odot \mathbf{A}^{(n+1)} \odot \mathbf{A}^{(n-1)} \odot \dots \odot \mathbf{A}^{(1)}) \mathbf{V}^\dagger$   
      normalize columns of  $\mathbf{A}^{(n)}$  (storing norms as  $\lambda$ )  
    end for  
  until fit ceases to improve or maximum iterations exhausted  
  return  $\lambda, \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)}$   
end procedure
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Use three-way tensor as an example:

$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{X}}} \|\mathbf{X} - \hat{\mathbf{X}}\| \quad \text{with} \quad \hat{\mathbf{X}} = \sum_{r=1}^R \lambda_r \mathbf{a}_r \circ \mathbf{b}_r \circ \mathbf{c}_r = \llbracket \lambda ; \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \rrbracket.$$

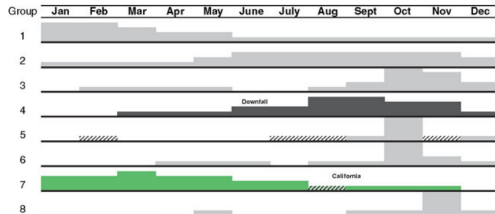
CP Decomposition: Computing Decomposition

- 1 Simple to understand and implement
- 2 The potential for numerical ill-conditioning
- 3 Taking many iterations to converge
- 4 Not guaranteed to converge to a global minimum or even a stationary point
- 5 Heavily dependent on the starting guess

CP Decomposition: Application

Discussion tracking in email [Bader et al., 2008]:

- 1 Term-author-time array
- 2 $\mathcal{X} \approx \sum_{l=1}^r A_l \circ B_l \circ C_l$
- 3 25-component decomposition, each rank one tensor refers to a topic



Tucker Decomposition

Tucker decomposition is a form of higher-order PCA. A three-way tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J \times K}$ is decomposed as:

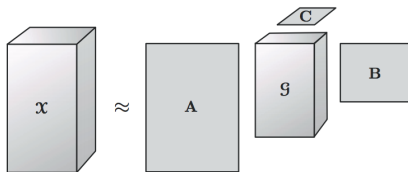
$$\mathcal{X} \approx \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{A} \times_2 \mathbf{B} \times_3 \mathbf{C} = \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{q=1}^Q \sum_{r=1}^R g_{pqr} \mathbf{a}_p \circ \mathbf{b}_q \circ \mathbf{c}_r = \llbracket \mathcal{G} ; \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \rrbracket.$$

where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times P}$, $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times Q}$, $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times R}$ are factor matrices which are usually orthogonal and $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{P \times Q \times R}$ is core tensor.

Tucker Decomposition

Elementwise, the Tucker decomposition is:

$$x_{ijk} = \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{q=1}^Q \sum_{r=1}^R g_{pqr} a_{ip} b_{jq} c_{kr}$$



Tucker Decomposition

Higher order decomposition:

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \times_2 \mathbf{A}^{(2)} \cdots \times_N \mathbf{A}^{(N)} = \llbracket \mathcal{G} ; \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)} \rrbracket$$

The matricized version:

$$\mathbf{X}_{(n)} = \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \mathbf{G}_{(n)} (\mathbf{A}^{(N)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{A}^{(n+1)} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{(n-1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{A}^{(1)})^T.$$

Tucker Decomposition: Computing Decomposition

Algorithm1:

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procedure HOSVD( $\mathbf{X}, R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N$ )  
  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$  do  
     $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \leftarrow R_n$  leading left singular vectors of  $\mathbf{X}_{(n)}$   
  end for  
   $\mathcal{G} \leftarrow \mathbf{X} \times_1 \mathbf{A}^{(1)\top} \times_2 \mathbf{A}^{(2)\top} \dots \times_N \mathbf{A}^{(N)\top}$   
  return  $\mathcal{G}, \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)}$   
end procedure
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When $R_n < \text{rank}_n(\mathbf{X})$, for one or more n , where $\text{rank}_n(\mathbf{X})$ is the column rank of $\mathbf{X}_{(n)}$, then the decomposition is called truncated HOSVD. Truncated HOSVD is not optimal in terms of giving the best fit as measured by the norm of the difference, but it is a good starting point for ALS.

Tucker Decomposition: Computing Decomposition

Formulation:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathcal{G}, \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)}} & \left\| \mathcal{X} - \llbracket \mathcal{G}; \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)} \rrbracket \right\| \\ \text{subject to } & \mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{R_1 \times R_2 \times \dots \times R_N}, \\ & \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R_n} \text{ and columnwise orthogonal for } n = 1, \dots, N. \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm2:

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procedure HOOI( $\mathcal{X}, R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N$ )  
  initialize  $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R}$  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$  using HOSVD  
  repeat  
    for  $n = 1, \dots, N$  do  
       $\mathcal{Y} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \times_1 \mathbf{A}^{(1)\top} \dots \times_{n-1} \mathbf{A}^{(n-1)\top} \times_{n+1} \mathbf{A}^{(n+1)\top} \dots \times_N \mathbf{A}^{(N)\top}$   
       $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \leftarrow R_n$  leading left singular vectors of  $\mathcal{Y}_{(n)}$   
    end for  
  until fit ceases to improve or maximum iterations exhausted  
   $\mathcal{G} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \times_1 \mathbf{A}^{(1)\top} \times_2 \mathbf{A}^{(2)\top} \dots \times_N \mathbf{A}^{(N)\top}$   
  return  $\mathcal{G}, \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)}$   
end procedure
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Tucker Decomposition: Application

Classifying hand-written digits [Savas and Eldén, 2007]:

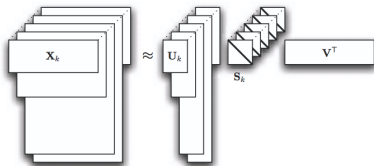
- 1 $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{T} \times U \times V \times W$
- 2 Let $A_v = \mathcal{T}(:, :, v) \times U \times V$, then $\mathcal{A} = \sum_{v=1}^K A_v \times w_v$
- 3 Solve $\min_{\alpha} \|\mathcal{D} - \sum_{v=1}^k \alpha_v^{\mu} A_v^{\mu}\|$

Other Decompositions: PARAFAC2



It is a variant of CP that can be applied to a collection of matrices that each have the same number of columns but a different number of rows. We have a set of matrices X_k for $k = 1, \dots, K$ such that each X_k is of size $I_k \times J$.

$$X_k \approx U_k S_k V^T \quad k = 1, \dots, K$$

where U_k is an $I_k \times R$ matrix, S_k is an $R \times R$ diagonal matrix and V is a $J \times R$ factor matrix that does not vary with k .



- 1 Matlab:
 - Dense multidimensional arrays and elementwise manipulation on tensors
 - External toolboxes: N-way Toolbox, CuBatch, PLSToolbox, Tensor Toolbox
- 2 Mathematica: sparse tensors
- 3 Multilinear Engine by Paatero: supports CP, PARAPAC2 and more
- 4 C++: HUJI Tensor Library, supports inner product, addition, elementwise multiplication

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Thank you!