

# General Introduction of Tensors

## Introduction

In **Linear Algebra**,  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^I$  is a vector,  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$  is a matrix, and  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$  is a  $N$ -mode tensor. The  $i$ th,  $\{i, j\}$ th and  $\{i_1, \dots, i_N\}$ th entries of  $\mathcal{A}$  are denoted by  $\mathbf{a}(i)$ ,  $\mathbf{A}(i, j)$  and  $\mathcal{A}(i_1, \dots, i_N)$ .

## Products

For matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  with same size  $I \times J$ , the **Hadamard** product is the element-wise product as:

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \circledast \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1}b_{1,1} & a_{1,2}b_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,J}b_{1,J} \\ a_{2,1}b_{2,1} & a_{2,2}b_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,J}b_{2,J} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I,1}b_{I,1} & a_{I,2}b_{I,2} & \cdots & a_{I,J}b_{I,J} \end{pmatrix},$$

and the **Kronecker** product with  $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L}$  is:

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{IK \times JL} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1}\mathbf{D} & a_{1,2}\mathbf{D} & \cdots & a_{1,J}\mathbf{D} \\ a_{2,1}\mathbf{D} & a_{2,2}\mathbf{D} & \cdots & a_{2,J}\mathbf{D} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I,1}\mathbf{D} & a_{I,2}\mathbf{D} & \cdots & a_{I,J}\mathbf{D} \end{pmatrix},$$

and **Khatra-Rao** product of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times K}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times K}$  is defined as:

$$\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{a}_1 \otimes \mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{a}_2 \otimes \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_K \otimes \mathbf{b}_K] \in \mathbb{R}^{IJ \times K},$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_k$  and  $\mathbf{b}_k$  are the  $k$ th column of matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ .

The **Mode- $n$**  product of tensor  $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_N}$  and matrix  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times I_n}$  is defined by

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{A} \times_n \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1} \times J \times I_{n+1} \times \dots \times I_N},$$

whose entries are

$$\mathcal{C}(i_1, \dots, j, \dots, i_N) = \sum_{i_n=1}^{I_n} \mathcal{A}(i_1, \dots, i_n, \dots, i_N) \mathbf{B}(j, i_n).$$

## Decompositions

**Canonical Polyadic (CP)**: For a  $N$ -mode tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_N}$ , the CP decomposition is defined by

$$\mathcal{X} = \sum_{r=1}^R \mathbf{u}_r^{(1)} \circ \mathbf{u}_r^{(2)} \circ \dots \circ \mathbf{u}_r^{(N)} = \llbracket \mathbf{U}^{(1)}, \mathbf{U}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{U}^{(N)} \rrbracket,$$

where  $\mathbf{U}^{(n)} = [\mathbf{u}_r^{(1)}, \mathbf{u}_r^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r^{(n)}] \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R}$ ,  $n = 1, \dots, N$  are factor matrices.

**Tucker**:

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

where  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{R_1 \times R_2 \times \dots \times R_N}$  is called **core** tensor.

## The $n$ -Rank

For  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_N}$ , the  $n$ -rank of  $\mathcal{X}$ , denoted by  $\text{rank}_n(\mathcal{X})$  is the column rank of  $\mathcal{X}_{(n)}$  which is the size of the vector space spanned by the mode- $n$  fibers. If  $R_n = \text{rank}_n(\mathcal{X})$ ,  $n = 1, \dots, N$ , we can say that  $\mathcal{X}$  is a rank- $(R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N)$  tensor

## HOSVD

The method **HOSVD** is convincing generalization of the matrix SVD and capable of computing the left singular vectors of  $\mathcal{X}_{(n)}$ . When  $R_n < \text{rank}_n(\mathcal{X})$  for one or more  $n$ , the decomposition is called truncated HOSVD.

HOSVD():

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1  Input:  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$  and  $n\text{-rank } (R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N)$ 
2  Output:  $\mathcal{G}, U^{(1)}, U^{(2)}, \dots, U^{(N)}$ 
3  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$  do
4       $U^{(n)} \leftarrow R_n$  Leading left singular vectors of  $\mathcal{X}_{(n)}$ 
5  // End For
6  return  $\mathcal{G} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \times_1 U^{(1)T} \times_2 U^{(2)T} \dots \times_N U^{(N)T}$ 
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## HOOI

A good refinement of HOSVD method is the following constrained optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathcal{G}, U^{(1)}, U^{(2)}, \dots, U^{(N)}} \left\| \mathcal{X} - \llbracket \mathcal{G}; U^{(1)}, U^{(2)}, \dots, U^{(N)} \rrbracket \right\|_F^2$$

s.t.  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N}$ ,  $U^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R_n}$ ,  $U^{(n)T} U^{(n)} = I_{R_n \times R_n}$ .

where after some mathematical operations, the problem boils down to

$$\max_{U^{(n)}} \left\| \mathcal{X} \times_0 U^{(1)T} \dots \times_N U^{(N)T} \right\|_F^2$$

s.t.  $U^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R_n}$ ,  $U^{(n)T} U^{(n)} = I_{R_n \times R_n}$ ,

This formulation called **HOOI** method which has a protocol described in

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2  Output:  $\mathcal{G}, U^{(1)}, U^{(2)}, \dots, U^{(N)}$ 
3  Initialize  $U^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R_n}$  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$  using HOSVD,
4  repeat
5  for  $n = 1, \dots, N$  do
6       $\mathcal{Y} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \times_1 U^{(1)T} \dots \times_{n-1} U^{(n-1)T} \times_{n+1} U^{(n+1)T} \dots \times_N U^{(N)T}$ 
7       $U^{(n)} \leftarrow R_n$  Leading left singular vectors of  $\mathcal{Y}_{(n)}$ 
8  // End for
9  until fit ceases to improve or maximum iterations exhausted.
10 return  $\mathcal{G} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \times_1 U^{(1)T} \times_2 U^{(2)T} \dots \times_N U^{(N)T}$ 
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## Bibliography