# **Dictionary Learning Using Tensor Methods**

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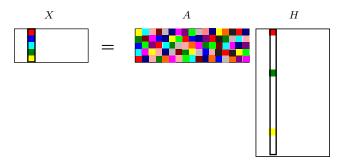
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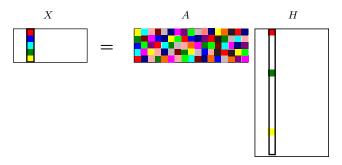
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- Unsupervised learning of admixtures.
- In text documents, social networks (community modeling), biological models, . . . .

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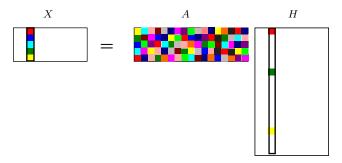


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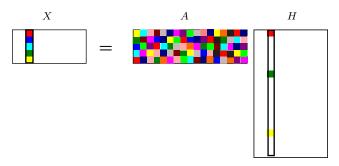
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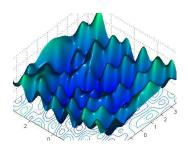
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#### **Learning Dictionary Models**

#### Computational Challenges

- Maximum likelihood: non-convex optimization. NP-hard.
- Practice: Local search approaches such as gradient descent, EM,
   Variational Bayes have no consistency guarantees.
- Can get stuck in bad local optima. Poor convergence rates and hard to parallelize.



Tensor methods can yield guaranteed learning

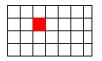
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#### Multivariate Moments

$$M_1 := \mathbb{E}[x], \quad M_2 := \mathbb{E}[x \otimes x], \quad M_3 := \mathbb{E}[x \otimes x \otimes x].$$

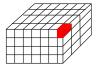
#### Matrix

- $\mathbb{E}[x \otimes x] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  is a second order tensor.
- $\bullet \ \mathbb{E}[x \otimes x]_{i_1,i_2} = \mathbb{E}[x_{i_1}x_{i_2}].$
- For matrices:  $\mathbb{E}[x \otimes x] = \mathbb{E}[xx^{\top}].$

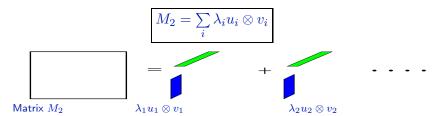


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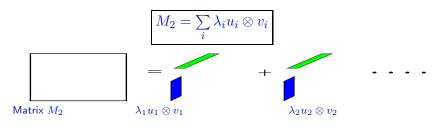
- $\mathbb{E}[x \otimes x \otimes x] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d \times d}$  is a third order tensor.
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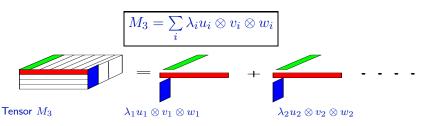


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•  $u \otimes v \otimes w$  is a rank-1 tensor since its  $(i_1, i_2, i_3)^{\text{th}}$  entry is  $u_{i_1}v_{i_2}w_{i_3}$ .

# **Moment forms for Dictionary Models**

$$x_i = Ah_i, \quad i \in [n].$$

#### Independent components analysis (ICA)

ullet  $h_i$  are independent, e.g. Bernoulli Gaussian

$$M_4 := \mathbb{E}[x \otimes x \otimes x \otimes x] - T$$
, where

$$T_{i_1,i_2,i_3,i_4} := \mathbb{E}[x_{i_1}x_{i_2}]\mathbb{E}[x_{i_3}x_{i_4}] + \mathbb{E}[x_{i_1}x_{i_3}]\mathbb{E}[x_{i_2}x_{i_4}] + \mathbb{E}[x_{i_1}x_{i_4}]\mathbb{E}[x_{i_2}x_{i_3}],$$

Let 
$$\kappa_j := \mathbb{E}[h_j^4] - 3\mathbb{E}^2[h_j^2]$$
,  $j \in [k]$ . Then, we have

$$M_4 = \sum_{j \in [k]} \kappa_j a_j \otimes a_j \otimes a_j \otimes a_j.$$

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#### General (sparse) coefficients

$$x_i = Ah_i, \quad i \in [n], \quad \mathbb{E}[h_i] = s.$$

$$\mathbb{E}[h_i^4] = \mathbb{E}[h_i^2] = \beta s/k,$$

$$\mathbb{E}[h_i^2 h_j^2] \le \tau, \quad i \ne j,$$

$$\mathbb{E}[h_i^3 h_j] = 0, \quad i \ne j,$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x\otimes x\otimes x\otimes x]=\sum_{j\in[k]}\kappa_ja_j\otimes a_j\otimes a_j\otimes a_j+E\text{, where }\|E\|\leq \tau\|A\|^4.$$

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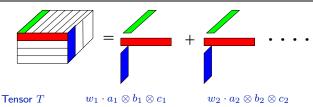
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- k < d: undercomplete and k > d: overcomplete.

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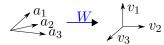


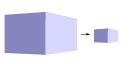
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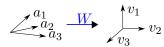


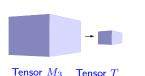
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#### Assumptions

- Number of initializations:  $L \ge k^{\Omega(k/d)^2}$ , Tensor Rank: k = O(d)
- No. of Iterations:  $N = \Theta(\log(1/\|E\|))$ . Recall  $\|E\|$ : recovery error.

#### Theorem (Global Convergence)[AGJ-COLT2015]:

$$||a_1 - \hat{a}^{(N)}|| \le O(||E||).$$

# Improved Sample Complexity Analysis

- Dictionary  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times k}$  satisfying RIP, sparse-ICA model with sub-Gaussian variables.
- Sparsity level s. Number of samples n.

$$\|\widehat{M}_4 - M_4\| = \widetilde{O}\left(\frac{s^2}{n} + \sqrt{\frac{s^4}{d^3n}}\right)$$

• Careful *ϵ*-net covering and bucketing.

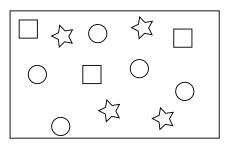
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- Convolutional models: incorporate invariances such as shift invariance.

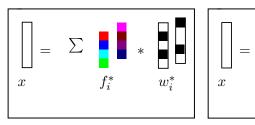


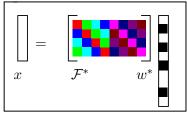


Dictionary elements

**Image** 

### Rewriting as a standard dictionary model





(a) Convolutional model

(b) Reformulated model

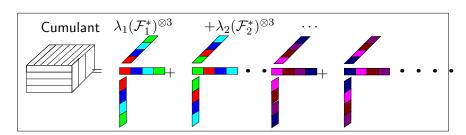
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Main Result: Optimal solution  $f_l^{\text{opt}}$ ,  $\forall p \in [n], q := (i - j) \mod n$ ,

$$f_l^{\text{opt}}(p) = \frac{\sum\limits_{i,j \in [n]} \|\mathsf{blk}_l(T)_j\|^{-1} \cdot \mathsf{blk}_l(T)_j^i \cdot I_{p-1}^q}{\sum\limits_{i,j \in [n]} I_{p-1}^q},$$

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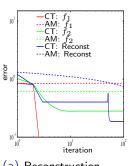
- Optimal solution is then computed in closed form.
- Bottleneck computation:  $\left(\left(\mathcal{H}\odot\mathcal{G}\right)^{\top}\right)^{\dagger}$ . Naive implementation:  $O(n^6)$  time, where n is the length of signal.

Running time of our method: For length-n signals and L number of filters,  $O(\log n + \log L)$  time with  $O(L^2 n^3)$  processors.

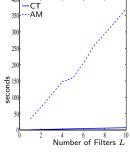
 $\bullet$  Involves 2L FFT's, some matrix multiplications, inverse of diagonal matrices.

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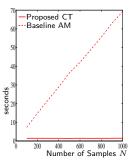
• Convolutional tensor (CT). Alternating minimization (AM).



(a) Reconstruction Error



(b) Running Times Scale with  ${\cal L}$ 



(c) Running Times Scale with N

# **Experiments (NLP)**

• Microsoft paraphrase dataset. 4096 sentence pairs. Unsupervised convolutional tensor method: no outside information. F score.

Method	Description	Outside Information	F score
Vector Similarity	cosine similarity with tf-idf weights	word similarity	75.3%
ESA	explicit semantic space	word semantic profiles	79.3%
LSA	latent semantic space	word semantic profiles	79.9%
RMLMG	graph subsumption	lexical&syntactic&synonymy info	80.5%
CT (proposed)	convolutional dictionary learning	none	80.7%
MCS	combine word similarity measures	word similarity	81.3%
STS	combine semantic&string similarity	semantic similarity	81.3%
SSA	salient semantic space	word semantic profiles	81.4%
matrixJcn	JCN WordNet similarity with matrix	word similarity	82.4%

**Paraphrase detected:** (1) Amrozi accused his brother, whom he called "the witness", of deliberately distorting his evidence. (2) Referring to him as only "the witness", Amrozi accused his brother of deliberately distorting his evidence.

**Non-paraphrase detected :** (1) I never organised a youth camp for the diocese of Bendigo. (2) I never attended a youth camp organised by that diocese."

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#### How is feature learning useful for classification?

- Precise characterization for training neural networks: first polynomial time methods!
- "Beating the Perils of Non-Convexity: Guaranteed Training of Neural Networks using Tensor Methods" by Majid Janzamin, Hanie Sedghi and A.