
Algorithm: Multiway spherical clustering for degree-corrected tensor block model

Sub-algorithm 1: Weighted higher-order initialization

Input: Observation $\mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times \dots \times p}$, cluster number r , relaxation factor $\eta > 1$ in k -means clustering.

- 1: Compute factor matrix $\mathbf{U}_{\text{pre}} = \text{SVD}_r(\text{Mat}(\mathcal{Y}))$ and the $(K-1)$ -mode projection $\mathcal{X}_{\text{pre}} = \mathcal{Y} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_{\text{pre}} \mathbf{U}_{\text{pre}}^T \times_2 \dots \times_{K-1} \mathbf{U}_{\text{pre}} \mathbf{U}_{\text{pre}}^T$.
- 2: Compute factor matrix $\hat{\mathbf{U}} = \text{SVD}_r(\text{Mat}(\mathcal{X}_{\text{pre}}))$ and denoised tensor $\hat{\mathcal{X}} = \mathcal{Y} \times_1 \hat{\mathbf{U}} \hat{\mathbf{U}}^T \times_2 \dots \times_K \hat{\mathbf{U}} \hat{\mathbf{U}}^T$.
- 3: Let $\hat{\mathbf{X}} = \text{Mat}(\hat{\mathcal{X}})$ and $S_0 = \{i \in [p] : \|\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}\| = 0\}$. Set $\hat{z}(i)$ randomly in $[r]$ for $i \in S_0$.
- 4: For all $i \in S_0^c$, compute normalized rows $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}^s := \|\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}\|^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}$.
- 5: Solve the clustering $\hat{z}: [p] \rightarrow [r]$ and centroids $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_j)_{j \in [r]}$ using weighted k -means, such that

$$\sum_{i \in S_0^c} \|\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}\|^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}^s - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{\hat{z}(i)}\|^2 \leq \eta \min_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_j, j \in [r], \hat{z}(i)} \sum_{i \in S_0^c} \|\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}\|^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i:}^s - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\hat{z}(i)}\|^2.$$

Output: Initial clustering $z^{(0)} \leftarrow \hat{z}$.

Sub-algorithm 2: Angle-based iteration

Input: Observation $\mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times \dots \times p}$, initialization $z^{(0)}: [p] \rightarrow [r]$ from Sub-algorithm 1, iteration number T .

- 6: **for** $t = 0$ to $T - 1$ **do**
- 7: Update the block tensor $\mathcal{S}^{(t)}$ via $\mathcal{S}^{(t)}(a_1, \dots, a_K) = \text{Ave}\{\mathcal{Y}(i_1, \dots, i_K) : z^{(t)}(i_k) = a_k, k \in [K]\}$.
- 8: Calculate reduced tensor $\mathcal{Y}^{\text{d}} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times r \times \dots \times r}$ via

$$\mathcal{Y}^{\text{d}}(i, a_2, \dots, a_K) = \text{Ave}\{\mathcal{Y}(i, i_2, \dots, i_K) : z^{(t)}(i_k) = a_k, k \neq 1\}.$$

- 9: Let $\mathbf{Y}^{\text{d}} = \text{Mat}(\mathcal{Y}^{\text{d}})$ and $J_0 = \{i \in [p] : \|\mathbf{Y}_{i:}^{\text{d}}\| = 0\}$. Set $z^{(t+1)}(i)$ randomly in $[r]$ for $i \in J_0$.
- 10: Let $\mathcal{S}^{(t)} = \text{Mat}(\mathcal{S}^{(t)})$. For all $i \in J_0^c$ update the cluster assignment by

$$z(i)^{(t+1)} = \arg \max_{a \in [r]} \cos \left(\mathbf{Y}_{i:}^{\text{d}}, \mathbf{S}_{a:}^{(t)} \right).$$

11: **end for**

Output: Estimated clustering $z^{(T)} \in [r]^p$.
