

# Low-rank approximation of matrices & tensor with application to dynamical and optimization problems

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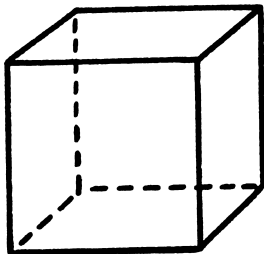
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- ▶ Fascinating algorithms appear in applications
- ▶ Generally do not become a universal computational tool (problem-dependent)

Our goal is to create a universal set of tools for high-dimensional problems!

# Tensor

- ▶ Matrix is a **two-dimensional array**
- ▶ Tensor is a  $d$ -dimensional array,  $A(i_1, \dots, i_d)$

Suddenly everything is much more complicated for tensors!



# Important “tensor” people (not all!)



W. Hackbusch



R. Schneider



M. Mohlenkamp



D. Savostyanov



E. Tyrtyshnikov



L. Grasedyck



G. Beylkin



S. Dolgov



B. Khoromskij



D. Kressner



C. Lubich



L. De Lathauwer

# Reviews

Now there are several books / reviews:

- ▶ T. Kolda, B. Bader “Tensor decompositions and applications”, SIREV 2009 – outdated
- ▶ B. N. Khoromskij,  
Tensors-structured Numerical Methods in Scientific Computing: Survey on Recent Advances (2010)
- ▶ L. Grasedyck, D. Kressner, C. Tobler, A literature survey of low-rank tensor approximation techniques (2013)
- ▶ W. Hackbusch, Tensor spaces and numerical tensor calculus, Springer, 2012.

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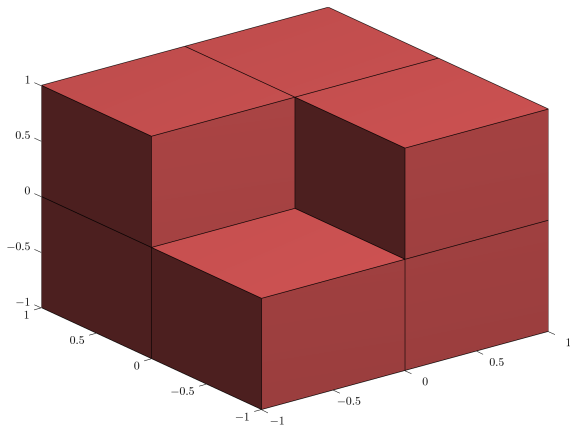
- ▶ High-dimensional problems appear in many applications
- ▶ Standard methods do not scale well with  $d$



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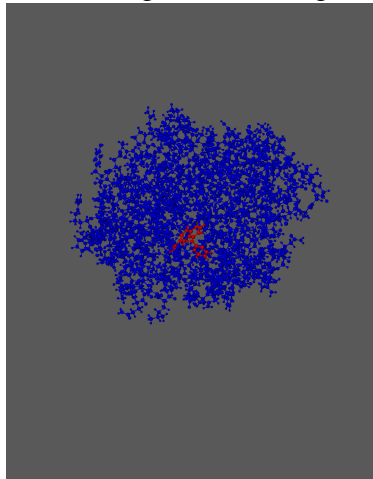
Solving differential / integral equations on fine grids

Typical cost:  $\mathcal{O}(N^3) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(N)$  or  $\mathcal{O}(\log^\alpha N)$ .

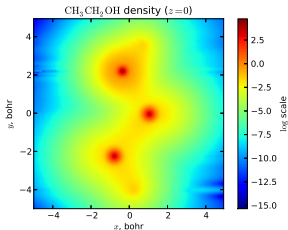


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Ab initio computations and computational material design  
Protein-ligand docking

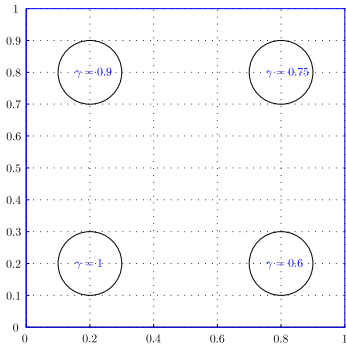


Solving the Hartree-Fock equation (great progress:  
V. Khoromskaya, B.  
Khoromskij; the picture is  
from our HF-solver)



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## Model reduction



Diffusion equation  
(Kressner, Tobler)

$$\nabla a(p) \Delta u = f(p),$$

$$p = (p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4)$$

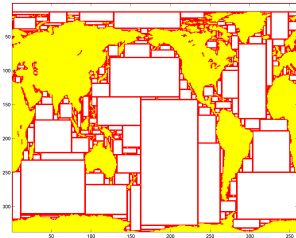
Approximate  $u$  from few  
snapshots.

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Data compression and mining

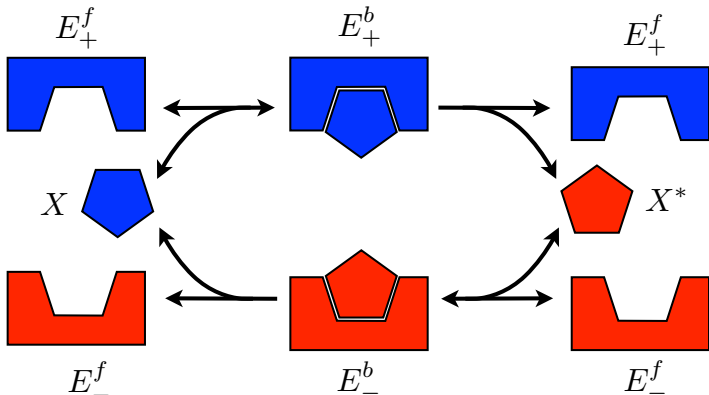
Картинки

Computational data  
compression



# An ad

Biological modelling:  
V. Kazeev, M. Khammash, M. Nip., C. Schwab



- ▶ tensor method:  $10^3 - 10^4$  on a notebook in MATLAB
- ▶ 1500 cores, Monte-Carlo:  $10^5$ -sec

# Main problem

We need to approximate high-dimensional tensors

# Separation of variables

One of the few fruitful ideas is separation of variables

Main task: how to do it numerically?

# Canonical format

Starting point: **CP-format**

$$A(i_1, \dots, i_d) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r U_1(i_1, \alpha) \dots U_d(i_d, \alpha)$$

**No robust algorithms:** best approximation with fixed rank  
may not exist!



# Everything is good in 2D

2D:  $A = UV^T$ , we have the Singular Value Decomposition  
We want the methods of such quality in many dimensions!

## TT & HT formats

Independently, in 2009 two formats were proposed:

- ▶ Tree-Tucker (O. & Tyrttyshnikov) became the Tensor Train;
- ▶ HT-format (Hackbusch, Kuhn, Grasedyck).

Both are based on the hierarchical separation of indices

# TT-format

$$A(i_1, \dots, i_d) = G_1(i_1)G_2(i_2) \dots G_d(i_d),$$

where  $G_k(i_k)$  — matrix of size  $r_{k-1} \times r_k$ .

# Tensor networks, MPS(1)

Other areas:

TT is Matrix product states

(Used to represent spin wavefunctions)

$$H\psi = E\psi$$

$\psi = \psi(S_1, \dots, S_N)$  — spin system

Algorithms (Wilson renormalization group, Density Matrix Renormalization Group) were proposed a lot earlier.

Vidal, Cirac, Verstraete, ...

Brought to mathematics by T. Huckle and R. Schneider

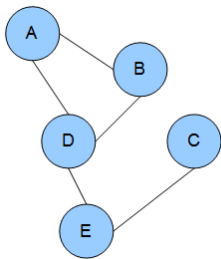
# Tensor networks, MPS(2)

DMRG, MPS, tensor networks:

Big community, brilliant algorithms for eigenvalues /  
time-dependent problems / eigenvalue problems

# Markov random fields

Markov random fields (wiki picture)



Edge corresponds to a function  $\psi_{AD}$ ,

$$p(A, B, C, D, E) = \psi_{AD}\psi_{AB}\psi_{DE}\psi_{CE}$$

Algorithm: **belief propagation for trees!**

## Recent successes

Linear tree → **hidden markov models**

Spectral methods for learning HMM (Hsu, Kakade, 2009)  
are based on the singular value decomposition

## Definition

Tensor is said in the TT-format, if

$$A(i_1, \dots, i_d) = G_1(i_1)G_2(i_2) \dots G_d(i_d),$$

where  $G_k(i_k)$  — matrix of size  $r_{k-1} \times r_k$ ,  $r_0 = r_d = 1$

$r_k$  are called **TT-ranks**

$G_k(i_k)$  (which are  $r_{k-1} \times n_k \times r_k$  tensors) are called **cores**



# TT in a nutshell

- ▶  $A$  — canonical rank  $r \rightarrow r_k \leq r$
- ▶ TT-ranks are matrix ranks, **TT-SVD**
- ▶ All arithmetic, linear in  $d$ , polynomial in  $r$
- ▶ Fast **TENSOR ROUNDING**
- ▶ TT-cross, **exact interpolation formula**, recent: quasioptimality results (D. Savostyanov)
- ▶ Q(Quantics, Quantized)-TT decomposition — binarization (or tensorization) of vectors and matrices (B. Khoromskij, O.)
- ▶ TT-Toolbox – software, S. V. Dolgov, I.V. Oseledets, D. V. Savostyanov, V. A. Kazeev

## TT-ranks — matrix ranks

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Theorem: There exists a TT-decomposition with TT-ranks

$$r_k = \text{rank } A_k$$

## TT-ranks — matrix ranks

The proof is constructive and gives the TT-SVD algorithm  
(Vidal algorithm in quantum information)

# TT-ranks — matrix ranks

There is no exact low ranks need stability estimate!

## Theorem (Approximation theorem)

If  $A_k = R_k + E_k$ ,  $\|E_k\| = \varepsilon_k$

$$\|A - TT\|_F \leq \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{d-1} \varepsilon_k^2}.$$

# Fast linear algebra

Addition, Hadamard product, scalar product  
All linear in  $d$

# Fast linear algebra

$$C(i_1, \dots, i_d) = A(i_1, \dots, i_d)B(i_1, \dots, i_d)$$

$$C_k(i_k) = A_k(i_k) \otimes B_k(i_k),$$

ranks are multiplied

# Tensor rounding

A is given in TT-format with suboptimal ranks.  
Who to reapproximate?



# Tensor rounding

It can be done in  $\mathcal{O}(dnr^3)$  operations

# Cross approximation in d-dimensions

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O., Tyrtyshnikov, 2010:

TT-cross approximation of multidimensional arrays

We can exactly interpolate a rank-r on  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{d}\mathbf{n}\mathbf{r}^2)$  elements

$$\mathcal{I}_k = (\mathbf{i}_1^{(\alpha)}, \dots, \mathbf{i}_k^{(\alpha)}),$$

$$\mathcal{J}_k = (\mathbf{i}_k^{(\beta)}, \dots, \mathbf{i}_d^{(\alpha)})$$

$$\mathbf{A}_k = \mathbf{A}(\mathcal{I}_k, \mathbf{i}_k, \mathcal{J}_{k+1})$$

# Making everything a tensor: QTT

- ▶ Prequel: E. E. Tyrtyshnikov (2003)
- ▶ I. V. Oseledets (2009)
- ▶ B. N. Khoromskij (2009)

“Simple” idea: **to make everything a tensor** (we have software, need examples)

# Making everything a tensor: QTT

Let  $f(x)$  – function of one variable ( $f(x) = \sin x$ ).

If  $v$  – vector of values on a uniform grid with  $2^d$  nodes.

Reshape  $v$  into a  $2 \times 2 \times \dots \times 2$   $d$ -dimensional tensor.

Compute TT-decomposition!

It is a **QTT-format**

# Making everything a tensor: QTT

If  $f(\mathbf{x})$  is such that

$$f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r \mathbf{u}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{v}_{\alpha}(\mathbf{y}),$$

then QTT-ranks are bounded by  $r$

Conclusion:

- ▶  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \exp(\lambda \mathbf{x})$
- ▶  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sin(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta)$
- ▶  $f(\mathbf{x})$  - polynom
- ▶  $f(\mathbf{x})$  - Rational function

# TT-Toolbox

Software: <http://github.com/oseledets/TT-Toolbox>

- ▶ Basic operations in TT-format
- ▶ Advanced operations in TT-format (linear systems, eigenvalues, non-stationary problems, interpolation)
- ▶ Main operators
- ▶ Open-source
- ▶ S. V. Dolgov, V. A. Kazeev, I. V. Oseledets, D. V. Savostyanov, ...

# Applications and main problems(1)

High-dimensional linear systems:

$$Ax = f, x = X(i_1, \dots, i_d)$$

Typical cases:

- ▶ High-dimensional PDE on a tensor-product grid  
(Chemical master equation, Fokker-Planck equation)
- ▶ Parametric / stochastic PDE:

$$A(p)u(p) = f(p), p = (p_1, \dots, p_m),$$

After discretization:

$$u = u(i, p_1, \dots, p_M) \text{ — a tensor!}$$



## Applications and main problems (2)

High-dimensional eigenvalue problems:

$$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} = X(\mathbf{i}_1, \dots, \mathbf{i}_d)$$

Typical cases:

- ▶ Spin systems (classical case, where MPS come from)
- ▶ Vibrational computations,  $A = -\frac{1}{2}\Delta + V$
- ▶ Parametric problems (as well).

## Applications and main problems (3)

High-dimensional unsteady problems:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = Ay, y = Y(i_1, \dots, i_d)$$

Typical cases:

- ▶ Chemical master equation
- ▶ Computation of vibrational spectra

## Applications and main problems (4)

Interpolation of multivariate functions:

$f(x_1, \dots, x_d)$  is given as a subroutine

Typical cases:

- ▶ Global optimization problems
- ▶ Approximation of expensive parametric dependencies
- ▶ Many more...

# Summary

Several basic problems:

- ▶  $Ax = f$
- ▶  $Ax = \lambda x$
- ▶  $\frac{dy}{dt} = Ay$
- ▶ Interpolation

The solution is sought on a low-parametric manifold:

General strategy:

Reformulate as  $J(x) \rightarrow \min$ , minimize over a manifold.

## Summary(2)

There are **very efficient algorithms** for all type of problems!

- ▶ Linear systems: AMEN-solver (Dolgov, Savostyanov)
- ▶ Eigenvalue solver: AMEN-solver, EIGB-solver (Dolgov, Savostyanov, Oseledets, Khoromskij)
- ▶ Nonstationary case: KSL-scheme (Oseledets, Lubich, Vanderbreycken)
- ▶ Interpolation: AMEN-cross (Dolgov, Savostyanov, Oseledets)

# Solving non-stationary problems

Considerable interest:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = Ay,$$

$$Y = Y(i_1, \dots, i_d)$$

By writing down the equations for the parameters on the manifold!

We now have a **very efficient integrator**:

KSL-scheme

# Dynamical low-rank approximation

Given  $A(t)$ , approximate by  $X(t) \in \mathcal{M}$ ,

where  $\mathcal{M}$  — manifold:

Dirac-Frenkel principle:

$$(\dot{A} - \dot{X}, v) = 0, \quad v \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{M}),$$

$\mathcal{T}$  is the tangent space.

Gives equations of motion

# KSL-scheme for the TT-format

Equation of motions have been derived:

- ▶ Matrix case, Tucker case: (H.-D. Meyer, C. Lubich, O. Koch)
- ▶ TT-format, HT-format (C)



# Matrix case

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C. Lubich, I.V. Oseledets, A projector-splitting integrator for dynamical  
low-rank approximation

# Dynamical low-rank appr. of matrices

The equations for  $U, S, V$ :

$$\dot{U} = (I - U(t)U(t)^\top)\dot{A}(t)V(t)S(t)^{-1}$$

$$\dot{V} = (I - V(t)V(t)^\top)\dot{A}(t)^\top U(t)S(t)^{-\top}$$

$$\dot{S} = U(t)^\top \dot{A}(t) V(t).$$

# Dynamical low-rank appr. of matrices

$$\dot{X} = P_X(\dot{A}), \quad P_X(\dot{A}) = \dot{A} - (I - UU^\top)\dot{A}(I - VV^\top).$$

No multiplication by  $S^{-1}$

# KSL integrator

Algorithm:

- ▶ K-step:  $(\dot{U}S) = \dot{A}V$
- ▶ QR:  $K_1 = U_1 \hat{S}_1$
- ▶ S-step:  $\dot{S} = -U^\top \dot{A}V$  (backward in time!)
- ▶ L-step:  $(V\dot{S}^\top) = \dot{A}^\top U$
- ▶ QR:  $L_1 = U_1 \tilde{S}_1$

# TT-KSL integrator

Just apply the KSL scheme recursively!

Update  $X_1$       ☀ — ● — ● — ●

QR →      ● — ● — ● — ●

Update  $S$       ● — ☀ — ● — ●

Update  $X_2$       ● — ☀ — ● — ●

# KSL and MCTDH

$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = iH\psi, \quad \psi(0) = \psi_0$$

$$H = -\frac{1}{2}\Delta + V,$$

Local problems:

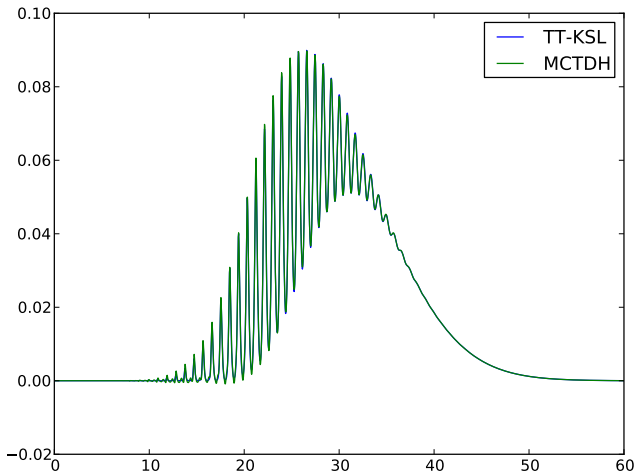
Small linear ODEs

Compute  $a(t) = (\psi(t), \psi(0))$  and the spectrum of  $H$  from it.

# KSL and MCTDH

$$V(q_1, \dots, q_f) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^f q_k^2 + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{f-1} \left( q_k^2 q_{k+1} - \frac{1}{3} q_k^3 \right).$$

<http://www.pci.uni-heidelberg.de/cms/mctdh.html>



## Relation to wavelets

The idea of QTT has a deep connection to **wavelets**

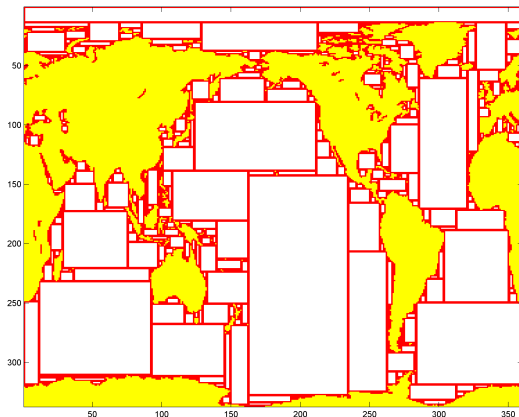
- ▶ I. V. Oseledets, E. E. Tyrtyshnikov, Algebraic wavelet transform via quantics tensor train decomposition
- ▶ V. A. Kazeev, Oseledets, I. V. , The tensor structure of a class of adaptive algebraic wavelet transforms
- ▶ Boris N. Khoromskij, Sentao Miao, Superfast Wavelet Transform Using QTT Approximation. I: Haar Wavelets

You can use **WTT** as a general compression technique!



# Ocean temperature

The temperature (4-d array), computed using the  
INM-RAS global circulation model  
Array of size  $360 \times 337 \times 40 \times 648$  — 12 Gb.



# Ocean temperature

Memory	Abs err	Rel err	Comp time
497 MB	0.0392	0.0004	$\approx 500$ sec
277 MB	0.0984	0.0009	$\approx 500$ sec

**Table:** WTT decomposition compression

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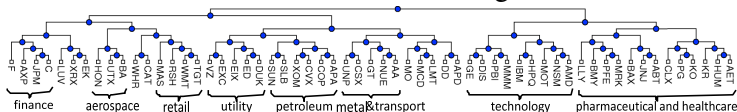
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## Recovering the tree

(M. Ishteva, Le Song)



# Global optimization

Can we apply it to the global optimization problems?

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) \rightarrow \min$$

“Naive” idea:

1. Approximate  $f$  by low rank
2. Find maximum, for example, by  $\min(Dx, x) \rightarrow \min$

What if **no approximation exists?**

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## Theorem

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times m$  matrix,  $\hat{A}$  is an  $r \times r$  submatrix with maximal volume, then

$$\|\hat{A}\|_C \geq \frac{\|A\|_C}{r^2 + r}.$$

# Global optimization

To force to the global minimum, we do shifts and transforms:

$$\tilde{f} = \text{arcctg}(f - f^*),$$

where  $f^*$  is the current record.

{Just run the standard dD-cross method, and compute maximal over all the samples!}

# Conclusions

- ▶ Numerical algorithms are developing at fast rate
- ▶ High potential impact in many applications (biology, optimization, chemistry)
- ▶ Theory is trailing behind

# Software

Papers and codes:

- ▶ My webpage: <http://spring.inm.ras.ru/osel>
- ▶ Publications: <http://pub.inm.ras.ru>
- ▶ TT-Toolbox  
<http://github.com/oseledets/TT-Toolbox>,  
<http://github.com/oseledets/ttpty>