

# Summary on basic time series studies

tensor data analysis with different data types

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# 1 High-dimentional $\alpha$ -PCA method

## 1.1 Overall Summary

This article considers the estimation and inference of the **low rank** components in high-dimentional matrix-variate models(tensor), and we propose an estimation method called  $\alpha$ -PCA and it has some benefits with the high dimensions data favorably compared with other methods(traditional PCA, etc) based on the performance in the simulation.

## 1.2 Main model

The model is shown as the following:

$$\mathbf{Y}_t = \underbrace{\mathbf{R}\mathbf{F}_t\mathbf{C}^T}_{\text{signal part}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{E}_t}_{\text{noise part}} \quad (1)$$

$\mathbf{Y}_t : \mathbf{Y}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq T$ , observations,

$\mathbf{F}_t : \mathbf{F}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times r}$ , where  $k \ll p$  and  $r \ll q$  (**low rank**), latent matrix,

$\mathbf{E}_t : \mathbf{E}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$ , noise matrix.

## 1.3 Main Statistics

An estimation procedure, namely  $\alpha$ -PCA, aggregates the information in both first and second moments. Specifically, the two statistics are defined:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_R \triangleq \frac{1}{pq} \left( (1 + \alpha) \cdot \overline{\mathbf{Y}}\overline{\mathbf{Y}}^T + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T (\mathbf{Y}_t - \overline{\mathbf{Y}})(\mathbf{Y}_t - \overline{\mathbf{Y}})^T \right) \quad (2)$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_C \triangleq \frac{1}{pq} \left( (1 + \alpha) \cdot \overline{\mathbf{Y}}^T \overline{\mathbf{Y}} + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T (\mathbf{Y}_t - \overline{\mathbf{Y}})^T (\mathbf{Y}_t - \overline{\mathbf{Y}}) \right) \quad (3)$$

$\alpha : \alpha \in [-1, +\infty)$ , a hyperparameter,

$\overline{\mathbf{Y}} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{i=1}^T \mathbf{Y}_t$ , the sample mean.

Based on these two statistics, estimation of  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  can be obtained as  $\sqrt{p}$  times the top  $k$  eigenvectors of  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_R$  and  $\sqrt{q}$  times the top  $q$  eigenvectors of  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_C$  respectively, in descending order by corresponding eigenvalues.

## 1.4 Transformation

To simplify the estimator, we can transform the parameters, let the  $\tilde{\alpha} = \sqrt{\alpha + 1} - 1$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t \triangleq \mathbf{Y}_t + \tilde{\alpha}\bar{\mathbf{Y}}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t \triangleq \mathbf{F}_t + \tilde{\alpha}\bar{\mathbf{F}}$ , and  $\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_t \triangleq \mathbf{E}_t + \tilde{\alpha}\bar{\mathbf{E}}$ , Then we have

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t = \mathbf{R}\tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t\mathbf{C}^T + \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_t \quad (4)$$

The equation 2 and 3 can be rewritten as:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_R = \frac{1}{pqT} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t^T, \text{ and } \widehat{\mathbf{M}}_C = \frac{1}{pqT} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t^T \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t \quad (5)$$

Same as in section 1.3,  $\widehat{\mathbf{R}}$  and  $\widehat{\mathbf{C}}$  can be obtained as  $\sqrt{p}$  times the top  $k$  eigenvectors of  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_R$  and  $\sqrt{q}$  times the top  $q$  eigenvectors of  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_C$  respectively, in descending order by corresponding eigenvalues.

## 1.5 Interpretation

The estimator in Section 1.2 approximately minimized jointly the unexplained variation and bias

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{C}, \{\mathbf{F}_t\}_{t=1}^T}{\text{minimize}} \quad & (1 + \alpha) \underbrace{\frac{1}{pq} \|\bar{\mathbf{Y}} - \mathbf{R}\bar{\mathbf{F}}\mathbf{C}^T\|_F^2}_{\text{sample bias}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{pqT} \sum_{t=1}^T \|\mathbf{Y}_t - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{F}_t\mathbf{C}^T\|_F^2}_{\text{sample variance}} \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \frac{1}{p} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}, \frac{1}{q} \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

The special case for  $\alpha = -1$  corresponds to the least-square estimator. (*not convex*)

Projecting on  $\mathbf{R}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{\mathbf{R}}{\text{maximize}} \quad & Tr \left( \mathbb{E} \left[ (1 + \alpha)(\mathbf{R}^T \bar{\mathbf{Y}})(\mathbf{R}^T \bar{\mathbf{Y}})^T + (\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{Y}_t - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{Y}_t])(\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{Y}_t - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{Y}_t])^T \right] \right) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \frac{1}{p} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{I}, \frac{1}{q} \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Where  $\mathbf{M}_R \triangleq (1 + \alpha)\mathbf{M}_R^{(1)} + \mathbf{M}_R^{(2)}$ ,  $\mathbf{M}_R^{(1)} \triangleq \frac{1}{pq} \mathbb{E}[\bar{\mathbf{Y}}\bar{\mathbf{Y}}^T]$ , and  $\mathbf{M}_R^{(2)} \triangleq \frac{1}{pq} \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{Y}_t - [\bar{\mathbf{Y}}])(\mathbf{Y}_t - [\bar{\mathbf{Y}}])^T]$

Then a solution by maximizing row and column variances respectively after projection is considered, projecting on  $\mathbf{C}$  is similar. (*convex*)

## 1.6 Relative estimators

Based on the section 1.4,

$$\hat{\mathbf{F}}_t = \frac{1}{pq} \hat{\mathbf{R}}^T \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_t \hat{\mathbf{C}}, \text{ and the signal part } \hat{\mathbf{S}}_t = \frac{1}{pq} \hat{\mathbf{R}} \hat{\mathbf{R}}^T \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_t \hat{\mathbf{C}} \hat{\mathbf{C}}^T$$

Dimensions  $k$  and  $r$  are need to be determined:

1. the eigenvalue ratio-based estimator, proposed by Ahn and Horestein(2013)
2. the Scree plot which is standard in principal component analysis.

Let  $\hat{\lambda}_1 \geq \hat{\lambda}_2 \geq \dots \geq \hat{\lambda}_k \geq 0$  be the ordered eigenvalues of  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_R$ . The ratio-based estimator for  $k$  is defined as follows:

$$\hat{k} = \arg \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_{max}} \frac{\hat{\lambda}_j}{\hat{\lambda}_{j+1}}$$

where  $k_{max}$  is the upper bound, usually taken as  $\left\lceil \frac{p}{2} \right\rceil$  or  $\left\lceil \frac{p}{3} \right\rceil$ , according to Ahn and Horestein(2013), similarly for  $\hat{r}$  with respect to  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_C$ .

## 1.7 Theoretical Properties

### 1.7.1 Denotation and Definition

Before presenting the assumptions and theorems, some quantities need to be defined or denoted,

1. Let  $\mathbf{V}_{R,pqT} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$  and  $\mathbf{V}_{C,pqT} \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$  be the diagonal matrices consisting of the first  $k$  and  $r$  largest eigenvalues of  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_R$  and  $\widehat{\mathbf{M}}_C$  in Section 1.4 in a decreasing order. By definition of estimators  $\hat{\mathbf{R}}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{C}}$ ,

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{1}{pqT} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t^T \hat{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{V}_{R,pqT}^{-1} \text{ and } \hat{\mathbf{C}} = \frac{1}{pqT} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t^T \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_t \hat{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{V}_{C,pqT}^{-1} \quad (8)$$

2. Define  $\mathbf{H}_R \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$  and  $\mathbf{H}_C \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$  as

$$\mathbf{H}_R \triangleq \frac{1}{pqT} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t \mathbf{C}^T \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t^T \mathbf{R}^T \hat{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{V}_{R,pqT}^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k} \quad (9)$$

$$\mathbf{H}_C \triangleq \frac{1}{pqT} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t \mathbf{R}^T \tilde{\mathbf{R}} \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t^T \mathbf{C}^T \hat{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{V}_{C,pqT}^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r} \quad (10)$$

(*bounded as*  $p, q, T \rightarrow \infty$ )

3. Let  $\mu_F = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{F}_t]$  and

$$\Sigma_{FC} \triangleq \mathbb{E} \left[ (\mathbf{F}_t - \mu_F) \left( \frac{\mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C}}{q} \right) (\mathbf{F}_t - \mu_F)^T \right] \text{ and } \Sigma_{FR} \triangleq \mathbb{E} \left[ (\mathbf{F}_t - \mu_F)^T \left( \frac{\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R}}{p} \right) (\mathbf{F}_t - \mu_F) \right] \quad (11)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Sigma}_{FC} &\triangleq \frac{1}{q} \mathbb{E} \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t^T \right] = \Sigma_{FC} + (\alpha + 1) \frac{1}{q} \mu_F \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} \mu_F^T \\ \tilde{\Sigma}_{FR} &\triangleq \frac{1}{q} \mathbb{E} \left[ \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R} \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_t^T \right] = \Sigma_{FR} + (\alpha + 1) \frac{1}{q} \mu_F \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R} \mu_F^T \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

(Matrix  $\Sigma$  can be interpreted as scaled row/column of  $\mathbf{F}_t$ )

### 1.7.2 Assumptions

**Assumption 1.  $\alpha$ -mixing.** The vectorized factor  $\text{VEC}(\mathbf{F}_t)$  and noise  $\text{VEC}(\mathbf{E}_t)$  are  $\alpha$ -mixing. Specifically, a vector process  $\{\mathbf{x}_t, t = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$  is  $\alpha$ -mixing if, for some  $\gamma \geq 2$ , the mixing coefficients satisfy the condition that

$$\sum_{h=1}^{+\infty} \alpha(h)^{1-\frac{2}{\gamma}} < \infty$$

where  $\alpha(h) = \sup_{\tau} \sup_{A \in \mathcal{F}_{-\infty}^{\tau}, B \in \mathcal{F}_{\tau+h}^{\infty}} |P(A \cap B) - P(A)P(B)|$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\tau}^s$  is the  $\sigma$ -field generated by  $\{\mathbf{x}_t : \tau \leq t \leq s\}$ . (only deal with temporal dependence)

**Assumption 2. Factor and noise matrices.** There exists a positive constant  $C < \infty$  such that for all  $N$  and  $T$ ,

1. Factor matrix  $\mathbf{F}_t$  is of fixed dimension  $k \times r$  and  $\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{F}_t\|^4 \leq C$ .
2. For all  $i \in [p]$ ,  $j \in [q]$  and  $t \in [T]$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[e_{t,ij}] = 0$  and  $\mathbb{E}|e_{t,ij}|^8 \leq C$ .<sup>1</sup>
3. Factor and noise are uncorrelated, that is,  $\mathbb{E}[e_{t,ij} f_{s,lh}] = 0$  for any  $t, s \in [T]$ ,  $i \in [p]$ ,  $j \in [q]$ ,  $l \in [k]$ ,  $h \in [r]$ .

**Assumption 3. Loading matrix.** For each row of  $\mathbf{R}$ ,  $\|\mathbf{R}_i\| = \mathcal{O}(1)$ , and, as  $p, q \rightarrow \infty$ , we have  $\|p^{-1} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R} - \Omega_R\| \rightarrow 0$  for some  $k \times k$  positive definite matrix  $\Omega_R$ . For each row of  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\|\mathbf{C}_i\| = \mathcal{O}(1)$ , and, as  $p, q \rightarrow \infty$ , we have  $\|p^{-1} \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C} - \Omega_C\| \rightarrow 0$  for some  $r \times r$  positive definite matrix  $\Omega_C$ . (an extension of the pervasive assumption<sup>2</sup>)

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<sup>1</sup> $[n] \triangleq \{1, \dots, n\}$

<sup>2</sup>Stock and Watson 2002

**Assumption 4.** *Cross row(column) correlation of noise  $\mathbf{E}_t$ .* There exists some positive constant  $C < \infty$  such that,

1. Let  $\mathbf{U}_E = \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{1}{qT} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{E}_t \mathbf{E}_t^T \right]$  and  $\mathbf{V}_E = \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{1}{qT} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{E}_t^T \mathbf{E}_t \right]$ , we assume  $\|\mathbf{U}_E\|_1 \leq C$  and  $\|\mathbf{V}_E\|_1 \leq C$ .
2. For all row  $i \in [p]$  and  $j \in [q]$  and  $t \in [T]$ , we assume  $\sum_{l \in [p], l \neq i} \sum_{h \in [q], h \neq j} |\mathbb{E}[e_{t,ij} e_{t,lh}]| \leq C$ .
3. For any row  $i, l \in [p]$ , any time  $t \in [T]$ , and any column  $j \in [q]$ ,

$$\sum_{m \in [p]} \sum_{s \in [T]} \sum_{h \in [q], h \neq j} |\text{cov}[e_{t,ij} e_{t,lj}, e_{s,ih} e_{s,mh}]| \leq C$$

Similar, for any column  $j, h \in [q]$ , any time  $t \in [T]$ , and any row  $i \in [p]$ ,

$$\sum_{m \in [q]} \sum_{s \in [T]} \sum_{l \in [p], l \neq i} |\text{cov}[e_{t,ij} e_{t,ih}, e_{s,lj} e_{s,lm}]| \leq C$$

(*automatically hold when the errors  $\mathbf{E}_t$  are i.i.d. over rows and columns for any  $t$ ,  $C$  for weak correlation*)

**Assumption 5.**  $\mathbf{E}_t$ . There exists  $m > 2$ ,  $1 < a, b < \infty$ ,  $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = 1$ , such that, for some positives  $C < \infty$ ,

1. For any  $l \in [k]$ ,  $i \in [p]$ , and  $t \in [T]$ ,  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{j=1}^q e_{t,ij} \right|^{mb} \right] = \mathcal{O}(1)$ ,  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{q}} \sum_{j=1}^q \mathbf{C}_j \cdot e_{t,ij} \right\|^{mb} \right] = \mathcal{O}(1)$ , and  $\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{f}_{t,l}\|^{ma}] \leq C$
2. For any  $h \in [r]$ ,  $j \in [q]$ , and  $t \in [T]$ ,  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{p}} \sum_{i=1}^p e_{t,ij} \right|^{mb} \right] = \mathcal{O}(1)$ ,  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{p}} \sum_{i=1}^p \mathbf{R}_i \cdot e_{t,ij} \right\|^{mb} \right] = \mathcal{O}(1)$ , and  $\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{f}_{t,h}\|^{ma}] \leq C$
3. For any and  $t \in [T]$ ,  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{pq}} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^q e_{t,ij} \right|^{mb} \right] = \mathcal{O}(1)$ ,  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{pq}} \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^q \mathbf{R}_i \cdot \mathbf{C}_j^T \cdot e_{t,ij} \right\|^{mb} \right] = \mathcal{O}(1)$ .

(*satisfied by Gaussian noise  $\mathbf{E}_t$  with i.i.d. columns and rows*)

**Assumption 6.**

### 1.7.3 Theorems

**Theorem 1.** Under ?? 1–5, we have as  $k, r$  fixed and  $p, q, T \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\frac{1}{p} \|\widehat{\mathbf{R}} - \mathbf{R} \mathbf{H}_R\|_F^2 = \mathcal{O}_p \left( \frac{1}{\min\{p, qT\}} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{q} \|\widehat{\mathbf{C}} - \mathbf{C} \mathbf{H}_C\|_F^2 = \mathcal{O}_p \left( \frac{1}{\min\{p, qT\}} \right)$$

Consequently,

$$\frac{1}{p}\|\widehat{\mathbf{R}} - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{H}_R\|^2 = \mathcal{O}_p\left(\frac{1}{\min\{p, qT\}}\right)$$
$$\frac{1}{q}\|\widehat{\mathbf{C}} - \mathbf{C}\mathbf{H}_C\|^2 = \mathcal{O}_p\left(\frac{1}{\min\{p, qT\}}\right)$$

*(converge faster than the PCA for the vectorized model)*

## 1.8 Simulation

## 1.9 Application

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<sup>3</sup>Generalized Factor Model