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## Unfolding, folding, and $n$ -mode product

### Problem 1

For a third-order tensor  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$ , using the concept of  $n$ -mode fibers, implement the function `unfold` according to the following prototype

$$[\mathcal{X}]_{(n)} = \text{unfold}(\mathcal{X}, n)$$

**Hint:** Use the file "unfolding\_folding.mat" to validate your function.

#### Results

##### Simulation setup

- The algorithm was applied to reshape the original data into a  $N$ -mode tensor;
- $N$  in range  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .

##### Discussion

- Experiment proposed in the example 2.6 of the book Multi-way Analysis With Applications in the Chemical Sciences (Smilde, 2004).

##### Tensor X

```
X(:, :, 1)
1 2 3;
4 5 6;
7 8 9;
3 2 1;
```

```
X(:, :, 2)
5 6 7;
8 9 4;
5 3 2;
4 5 6;
```

##### Tensor X (mode-1)

```
X(4, 6)
1 2 3 5 6 7;
4 5 6 8 9 4;
7 8 9 5 3 2;
3 2 1 4 5 6;
```

##### Tensor X (mode-2)

```
X(3, 8)
1 4 7 3 5 8 5 4;
2 5 8 2 6 9 3 5;
3 6 9 1 7 4 2 6;
```

##### Tensor X (mode-3)

```
X(2, 12)
1 4 7 3 2 5 8 2 3 6 9 1;
5 8 5 4 6 9 3 5 7 4 2 6;
```

- Validation

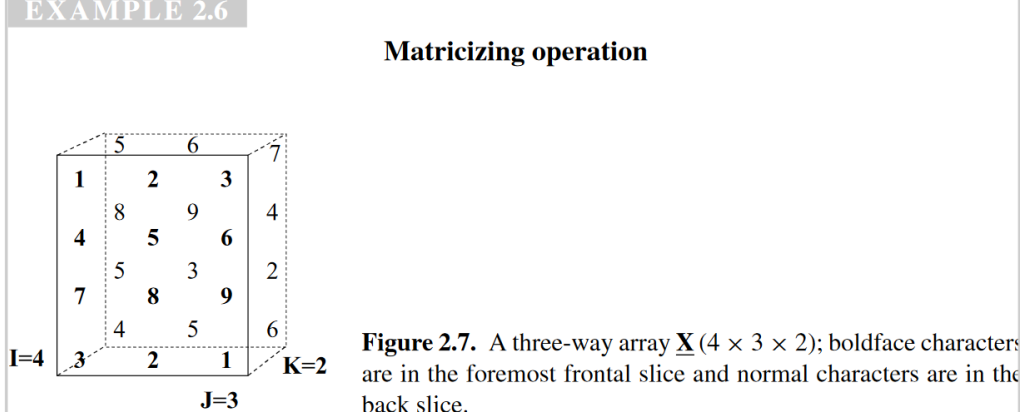
##### Unfold difference

```
sum(X1 - unfold(X, 1)) = 0.00
sum(X2 - unfold(X, 2)) = 0.00
sum(X3 - unfold(X, 3)) = 0.00
```

We assess the difference between the given data and the algorithm output, and we can see that the residuals sum leads to zero.

[Problem script.](#)

Fold experiment output log: [Unfold Txt File](#).



An example of matricizing a three-way array  $\mathbf{X}$  is given in Figure 2.7. Three different matricized three-way arrays are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X}_{(I \times JK)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 8 & 9 & 4 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & 5 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{X}_{(J \times IK)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 & 3 & 5 & 8 & 5 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 2 & 6 & 9 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & 1 & 7 & 4 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{X}_{(K \times ID)} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 7 & 3 & 2 & 5 & 8 & 2 & 3 & 6 & 9 & 1 \\ 5 & 8 & 5 & 4 & 6 & 9 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 4 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

### Problem 2

Implement the function `fold` that converts the unfolding  $[\mathcal{X}]_{(n)}$  obtained with `unfold( $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $n$ )` back to the tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$  (i.e., a 3-d array in Matlab/Octave), according to the following prototype:

$$\mathcal{X} = \text{fold}([\mathcal{X}]_{(n)}, [JK], n)$$

**Hint:** Use the file "unfolding\_folding.mat" to validate your function.

#### Results

##### Simulation setup

- The algorithm was applied to build a tensor from a  $N$ -mode tensor;
- $N$  in range  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .

##### Discussion

- Experiment proposed in the example 2.6 of the book Multi-way Analysis With Applications in the Chemical Sciences (Smilde, 2004).

##### Tensor X (mode-1)

```
X(4, 6)
1 2 3 5 6 7;
4 5 6 8 9 4;
7 8 9 5 3 2;
3 2 1 4 5 6;
```

##### Tensor X (mode-2)

```
X(3, 8)
1 4 7 3 5 8 5 4;
2 5 8 2 6 9 3 5;
3 6 9 1 7 4 2 6;
```

##### Tensor X (mode-3)

```
X(2, 12)
1 4 7 3 2 5 8 2 3 6 9 1;
5 8 5 4 6 9 3 5 7 4 2 6;
```

##### Tensor X from (mode-1)

```
X(:, :, 1)
1 2 3;
4 5 6;
7 8 9;
3 2 1;
```

```
X(:, :, 2)
5 6 7;
8 9 4;
5 3 2;
4 5 6;
```

##### Tensor X from (mode-2)

```
X(:, :, 1)
1 2 3;
4 5 6;
7 8 9;
3 2 1;
```

```
X(:, :, 2)
5 6 7;
8 9 4;
5 3 2;
4 5 6;
```

##### Tensor X from (mode-3)

```
X(:, :, 1)
1 2 3;
4 5 6;
7 8 9;
3 2 1;
```

```
X(:, :, 2)
5 6 7;
8 9 4;
5 3 2;
4 5 6;
```

- Validation

##### Fold difference

```
sum(tenX - fold(X1)) = 0.00
sum(tenX - fold(X2)) = -0.00
sum(tenX - fold(X3)) = -0.00
```

We assess the difference between the given data and the algorithm output, and we can see that the residuals sum leads to zero.

[Problem script.](#)

Fold experiment output log: [Fold Txt File](#).

### Problem 3

For given matrices  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{P \times I}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{Q \times J}$ ,  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{R \times K}$  and tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$ , calculate the tensor  $\mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{C}^{P \times Q \times R}$  via the following multilinear transformation:

$$\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_1 \mathbf{A} \times_2 \mathbf{B} \times_3 \mathbf{C}$$

**Hint:** Use the file "multilinear\_product.mat" to validate your result.

#### Results

##### Simulation setup

- The algorithm was applied to compute the N-mode product between a given tensor and factor matrices.

##### Discussion

The results are consistent with the proposed scenario, since given data after the algorithm succeeds to obtain a very low NMSE (dB) value.

NMSE between a given tensor and its version affected by the N-mode product: -666.47 dB

[Problem script](#)