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1 Assignment 2

Let us introduce the *column-major* convention for writing matrices in the indices notation. For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, which has n^2 entries can be written down in the *column-major* convention as

$$A = [a_{i+n(j-1)}]_{i,j=1,\dots,n}. \quad (1)$$

1.1 Matrix multiplication tensor

The matrix multiplication $AB = C$, for $B, C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a bilinear operation, thereby there exists a tensor $T = [t_{ijk}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2 \times n^2}$ such that the matrix multiplication can be represented as

$$c_k = \sum_{i=1}^{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n^2} t_{ijk} a_i b_j. \quad (2)$$

The tensor T is referred to as the matrix multiplication tensor of order n .

For $n = 2$ we can easily see the non-zero entries by writing out the matrix multiplication in the column major convention

$$c_1 = a_1 b_1 + a_3 b_2, \quad (3)$$

$$c_2 = a_2 b_1 + a_4 b_2, \quad (4)$$

$$c_3 = a_1 b_3 + a_3 b_4, \quad (5)$$

$$c_4 = a_2 b_3 + a_4 b_4. \quad (6)$$

So the non-zero entries in e.g. $k = 1$ are $(1, 1)$ and $(3, 2)$, and so on. Thus the matrix multiplication Tensor

of $n = 2$ is

$$t_{ij1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (7)$$

$$t_{ij2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (8)$$

$$t_{ij3} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (9)$$

$$t_{ij4} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (10)$$

The *CPD* (Canonical Polyadic Decomposition) of rank- n^3 of the multiplication tensor of order $n = 2$, specified by matrices $U, V, W \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 8}$ can be represented in such a way that the columns of these matrices satisfy

$$T = \sum_{\alpha=1} u_{\alpha} \otimes v_{\alpha} \times w_{\alpha}. \quad (11)$$

Each nonzero entry in u_{α} represents the column of the nonzero entry in T , each nonzero entry in v_{α} represents the row of the nonzero entry in T and each nonzero entry in w_{α} represents the location of the k -th slice of the nonzero entry, so we have

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (12)$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (13)$$

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (14)$$

1.2 Mode Contraction

Let us introduce a notion of multiplying a matrix with a tensor which is called the mode- k contraction. For $d \in \mathbb{N}, n_1, \dots, n_d \in \mathbb{N}$ and $k \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ the mode- k contraction of a d -dimensional tensor $S \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times \dots \times n_d}$ with a matrix $Z \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n_k}$ is an operation

$$\times_k : [s_{i_1, \dots, i_d}]_{i_1 \in I_1, \dots, i_d \in I_d} \mapsto \left[\sum_{i_k=1}^{n_k} z_{\alpha i_k} s_{i_1, \dots, i_d} \right]_{i_1 \in I_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in I_{k-1}, \alpha \in \{1, \dots, r\}, i_{k+1} \in I_{k+1}, \dots, i_d \in I_d}, \quad (15)$$

where $I_l = \{1, \dots, n_l\}$ for $l \in \{1, \dots, d\}$. Now that we know the definition we may write

$$T = Z \times_k S, \quad (16)$$

and T is in $\mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times \dots \times n_{k-1} \times r \times n_{k+1} \times \dots \times n_d}$. The algorithm constructed for the mode- k contraction is structured as follows

1. initialize an empty array T
2. iterate α from 1 to r
3. initialize a zero array s of size $n_1 \times \dots \times n_{k-1} \times n_{n+1} \times \dots \times n_d$
4. for each $j \in \{1, \dots, n_k\}$ add $Z_{\alpha,j} S_{i_1, \dots, i_{n-1}, j, i_{n+1}, \dots, i_d}$ to s
5. append s to T
6. end iteration
7. reshape T to $n_1 \times \dots \times n_{k-1} \times r \times n_{k+1} \times \dots \times n_d$ and return it

1.3 Evaluating a CPD

Let us now implement a function that will convert a rank- r CPD of a d -dimensional tensor S of size $n_1 \times \dots \times n_d$, given $U^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k \times r}$ for $k \in \{1, \dots, d\}$.

$$S = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r u_{\alpha}^{(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes u_{\alpha}^{(d)}. \quad (17)$$

The implementation of this is straight forward. While iterating over α all we have to do is call a function that will do a Kronecker product of the α -th column slice of a matrix $U^{(k)}$ with the same order column slice of the matrix $U^{(k+1)}$, for each $k \in \{1, \dots, d\}$. In “julia” the only thing we have to be aware of is that the *kron* function reverses the order for the Kronecker product that is it does the following

$$u \otimes v = \text{kron}(v, u). \quad (18)$$

Meaning that if we pass a list of CPD matrices $[U^{(1)}, \dots, U^{(d)}]$ as arguments, we need to reverse its order[`code`].

1.4 Implementing the multiplication tensor and its CPD

Once again to recapitulate the multiplication tensor is of the size $T \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2 \times n^2}$. With some tinkering we see that the nonzero entries in the k -th end-dimension corresponds to the matrix multiplication in the column major convention, and with some more tinkering we found a way to construct an multiplication tensor for an arbitrary dimension (finite) using three loops.

1. loop over the column indices in the first row in the column major convention $m = 1 : n : n^2$
2. loop over the row indices in the first column in the column major convention $l = 1 : n$
3. $I = l : n : n^2, J = m : (m+n), K = (l-1) + m$
4. $T_{i,j,k} = 1$ for every $i \in I, j \in J, k \in K$

Additionally we can even construct a CPD of this tensor in the same loop since we know the indices i, j, k of the nonzero entries, U would be filled with the i -th row entry of each n^3 columns, V would be filled in the j -th row entry of the each n^3 columns and finally W would be filled in the corresponding k -th row entry of the each n^3 columns [code].

Furthermore we can evaluate the matrix multiplication only with the CPD of the matrix multiplication tensor T , with U, V, W without computing T . This is done by rewriting the matrix multiplication in the row-major convention with U, V, W into

$$c_k = \sum_{\alpha=1}^r \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n^2} a_i u_{i\alpha} \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n^2} b_j v_{j\alpha} \right) \cdot w_{k\alpha}. \quad (19)$$

The implementation is straight forward it uses one loop and only a summation function [code].

1.5 Interpreting the Strassen algorithm in terms of CPD

For $n = 2$ we will write the Strassen algorithm and its CPD in the column major convention. This algorithm allows matrix multiplication of square 2×2 matrices (even of order $2^n \times 2^n$) in seven essential multiplication steps instead of the stubborn eight. The Strassen algorithm defines seven new coefficients M_l , where $l \in 1, \dots, 7$

$$M_1 := (a_1 + a_4)(a_1 + a_4), \quad (20)$$

$$M_2 := (a_2 + a_4)b_1, \quad (21)$$

$$M_3 := a_1(b_3 - b_4), \quad (22)$$

$$M_4 := a_4(b_2 - b_1), \quad (23)$$

$$M_5 := (a_1 + a_3)b_4, \quad (24)$$

$$M_6 := (a_2 - a_1)(b_1 + b_3), \quad (25)$$

$$M_7 := (a_3 - a_4)(b_2 + b_4). \quad (26)$$

Then the coefficients c_k can be calculated as

$$c_1 = M_1 + M_4 - M_6 + M_7, \quad (27)$$

$$c_2 = M_2 + M_4, \quad (28)$$

$$c_3 = M_3 + M_5, \quad (29)$$

$$c_4 = M_1 - M_2 + M_3 + M_6. \quad (30)$$

$$(31)$$

This ultimately means that there exists an rank-7 CPD decomposition of the matrix multiplication tensor T , with matrices $U, V, W \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 7}$. By that U represents the placement of a_i in the definition of M_l filled in the columns of U , V represents the existence of b_j in the definition of M_l filled in the columns V and W represents the M_l placement in the coefficients c_k . Do note that these matrices have entries $-1, 0, 1$ corresponding to the addition/subtraction as defined in the M_l 's. The matrices U, V, W are the following

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (32)$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (33)$$

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (34)$$

1.6 Tucker Structure and CP rank !!(NO real idea what should be done here)!!

Let $\hat{a} = (1 \ 0)^T$ and $\hat{b} = (0 \ 1)$, we can define a Laplace-like tensor T using the Kronecker product

$$\hat{T} = \hat{b} \otimes \hat{a} \otimes \hat{a} + \hat{a} \otimes \hat{b} \otimes \hat{a} + \hat{a} \otimes \hat{a} \otimes \hat{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2 \times 2}, \quad (35)$$

which represents T as a CPD of rank 3. The CPD is a special case of the Tucker decomposition with a super diagonal tucker core, in this case the tucker core is

$$S_{i_1 i_2 i_3} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } i_1 = i_2 = i_3 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad (36)$$

for $i_1, i_2, i_3 = 1, 2, 3$. We may write the tucker decomposition of T in terms of matrices $U_1, U_2, U_3 \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 3}$ constructed by the \hat{a} and \hat{b} as in 35 in each of the summation steps. Then U_1 would have $\hat{b}, \hat{a}, \hat{a}$ in the columns and so on. Now we may write the Tucker decomposition for T_{ijk} for $i_1, i_2, i_3 = 1, 2$ as

$$\hat{T}_{i_1 i_2 i_3} = \sum_{\alpha_1=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha_2=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha_3=1}^3 (U_1)_{i_1 \alpha_1} (U_2)_{i_2 \alpha_2} (U_3)_{i_3 \alpha_3} S_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3}. \quad (37)$$

With this we can derive the first, second and third Tucker unfolding matrix by rewriting the Tucker decomposition

$$\hat{T}_{i_1 i_2 i_3} = \sum_{\alpha_k=1}^3 (U_k)_{i_k \alpha_k} \sum_{\alpha_{k-1}=1}^3 \sum_{\alpha_{k+1}=1}^3 (U_{k-1})_{i_{k-1} \alpha_{k-1}} (U_{k+1})_{i_{k+1} \alpha_{k+1}} S_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3} \quad (38)$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha_k=1}^3 (U_k)_{i_k \alpha_k} (Z_k)_{i_{k-1} i_{k+1} \alpha_k}, \quad (39)$$

for $k = 1, 2, 3$ cyclic. We call

$$\mathcal{U}_k^T := U_k Z_k^T \quad (40)$$

the k -th Tucker unfolding. It turns out in our case all of them are unique and thereby the CPD decomposition is unique, thereby the CPD rank of \hat{T} is three.

Let us consider a richer structure, for $2 < d \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n_1, \dots, n_d \in \mathbb{N}$ all greater then one. For $k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ consider $a_k, b_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k}$ linearly independent and for $\mathbb{N} \ni k \geq 4$ consider $c_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k}$ nonzero. Then we define a Laplace-like tensor

$$T = b_1 \otimes a_2 \otimes a_3 \otimes c_4 \otimes \dots \otimes c_d + a_1 \otimes b_2 \otimes a_3 \otimes c_4 \otimes \dots \otimes c_d + a_1 \otimes a_2 \otimes b_3 \otimes c_4 \otimes \dots \otimes c_d. \quad (41)$$

The matrices $U^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k \times 3}$ for $k = 1, 2, 3$ are the following

$$U^{(1)} = (b_1 \ a_2 \ a_3), \quad (42)$$

$$U^{(2)} = (a_1 \ b_2 \ a_3), \quad (43)$$

$$U^{(3)} = (a_1 \ a_2 \ b_3). \quad (44)$$

$$(45)$$

The matrices $U^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k \times 3}$ for $k = 4, \dots, d$ are

$$U^{(4)} = (c_4 \ c_4 \ c_4). \quad (46)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$U^{(d)} = (c_d \ c_d \ c_d). \quad (47)$$

The Tucker core $S \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3 \times 3}$ is a superdiagonal tensor of order three. We can write the Tucker decomposition of T as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{T}_{i_1 \dots i_d} &= \sum_{\alpha_k=1}^3 (U^{(k)})_{i_k \alpha_k} \cdot \\ &\quad \sum_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{k-1}, \alpha_{k+1}, \dots, \alpha_d}^3 (U^{(1)})_{i_1 \alpha_1} \dots (U^{(k-1)})_{i_{k-1} \alpha_{k-1}} (U^{(k+1)})_{i_{k+1} \alpha_{k+1}} \dots (U^{(d)})_{i_d \alpha_d} S_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_d} \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha_k=1}^3 (U^{(k)})_{i_k \alpha_k} (Z_k)_{i_1 \dots i_{k-1} i_{k+1} \dots i_d \alpha_k}. \quad (49)$$

All the Tucker unfoldings \mathcal{U}_k for $k \geq 4$ are non-unique, because the matrices $U^{(k)}$ for $k \geq 4$ are constructed with the same column vectors. On the other hand we may write the Tucker decomposition in with the Kronecker product like this

$$T_{(k)} = U^{(k)} \cdot S_k \cdot (U^{(1)} \otimes \dots \otimes U^{(k-1)} \otimes U^{(k+1)} \otimes \dots \otimes U^{(d)}) \quad (50)$$