

EE613 - Machine Learning for Engineers

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TENSOR FACTORIZATION

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EE613 schedule

Thu. 21.09.2023	(C) 1. ML introduction
Thu. 28.09.2023	(C) 2. Bayesian 1 (C) 3. Bayesian 2
Thu. 12.10.2023	(C) 4. Hidden Markov Models
Thu. 19.10.2023	(C) 5. Dimensionality reduction
Thu. 26.10.2023	(C) 6. Decision trees
Thu. 02.11.2023	(C) 7. Linear regression
Thu. 09.11.2023	(C) 8. Nonlinear regression
Thu. 16.11.2023	(C) 9. Kernel Methods - SVM
Thu. 23.11.2023	(C) 10. Tensor factorization
Thu. 30.11.2023	(C) 11. Deep learning 1
Thu. 07.12.2023	(C) 12. Deep learning 2
Thu. 14.12.2023	(C) 13. Deep learning 3
Thu. 21.12.2023	(C) 14. Deep learning 4

Outline

Linear algebra:

- Products (Hadamard, Kronecker, Khatri-Rao)
- Separation of variables
- Singular value decomposition (SVD)

3 tensor decomposition models:

- Canonical polyadic (CP)
- Tucker
- Tensor train

Products (Hadamard, Kronecker, Khatri-Rao)

Hadamard
(elementwise)

$$\mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1}b_{1,1} & a_{1,2}b_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,J}b_{1,J} \\ a_{2,1}b_{2,1} & a_{2,2}b_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,J}b_{2,J} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I,1}b_{I,1} & a_{I,2}b_{I,2} & \cdots & a_{I,J}b_{I,J} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &\in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J} \\ \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J} \\ \mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J} \end{aligned}$$

Kronecker

$$\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1}\mathbf{B} & a_{1,2}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{1,J}\mathbf{B} \\ a_{2,1}\mathbf{B} & a_{2,2}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{2,J}\mathbf{B} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I,1}\mathbf{B} & a_{I,2}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{I,J}\mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &\in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J} \\ \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L} \\ \mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{IK \times JL} \end{aligned}$$

Khatri-Rao

$$\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1}\mathbf{b}_1 & a_{1,2}\mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & a_{1,K}\mathbf{b}_K \\ a_{2,1}\mathbf{b}_1 & a_{2,2}\mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & a_{2,K}\mathbf{b}_K \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I,1}\mathbf{b}_1 & a_{I,2}\mathbf{b}_2 & \cdots & a_{I,K}\mathbf{b}_K \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &\in \mathbb{R}^{I \times K} \\ \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{J \times K} \\ \mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{IJ \times K} \end{aligned}$$

Hadamard (elementwise) product - Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{light blue} & \text{pink} \\ \text{blue} & \text{red} \\ \text{dark blue} & \text{dark red} \end{bmatrix}$$

A

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{light green} & \text{purple} \\ \text{green} & \text{dark purple} \\ \text{dark green} & \text{dark purple} \end{bmatrix}$$

B

$$A * B = \begin{bmatrix} \text{light blue} & \text{light green} & \text{pink} & \text{purple} \\ \text{blue} & \text{green} & \text{red} & \text{dark purple} \\ \text{dark blue} & \text{dark green} & \text{dark red} & \text{purple} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$$

$$B \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$$

$$A * B \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$$

Kronecker product - Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \\ 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \otimes B =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \\ 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 \\ 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \\ 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 \\ 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 & 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 & 17 & 18 & 19 & 20 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$$

$$B \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 4}$$

$$A \otimes B \in \mathbb{R}^{15 \times 8}$$

Khatri-Rao product - Example

A 2x2 grid of colored squares. The top-left square is light blue, the top-right is pink, the bottom-left is medium blue, and the bottom-right is dark red.

A

B

$$A \odot B =$$

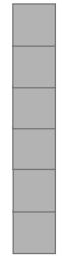
The figure consists of three vertically stacked panels, each containing four horizontal bars. A thick black vertical line on the left side of each panel indicates a break in the y-axis. The bars are colored as follows: the first bar in each panel is blue, the second is light green, the third is red, and the fourth is dark green. The height of the blue bar increases from the bottom panel to the top panel. The light green bars are consistently tall across all panels. The red bars are shorter than the light green ones. The dark green bars are the tallest in each panel.

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$$

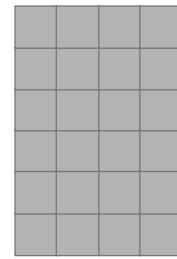
$$B \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 2}$$

$$A \odot B \in \mathbb{R}^{15 \times 2}$$

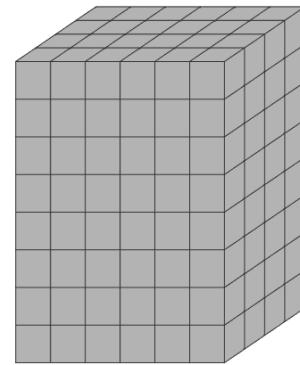
Tensors



1st-order
tensors



2nd-order
tensors

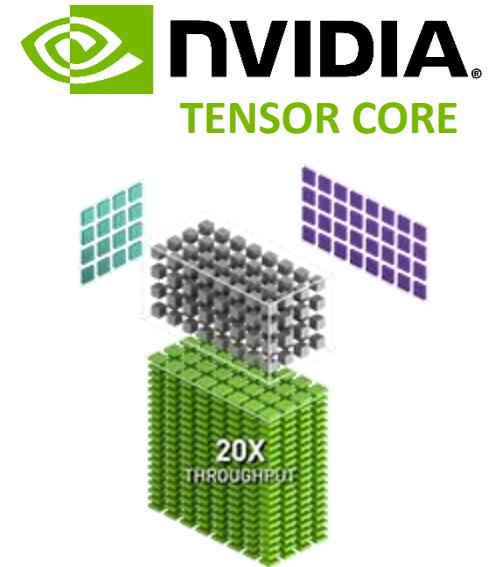


3rd-order
tensors

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Images: 3D tensors
(width, height, color channels)

Videos: 4D tensors
(frame, width, height, color channels)



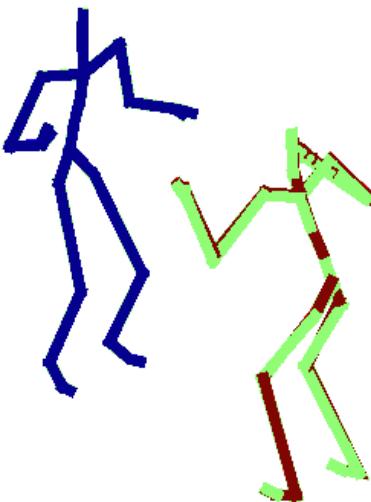
- Tensors appear in various forms:**
 - Raw data
(*arrays of sensors, multidimensional channels*)
 - Data evolution over time window
(*sets of short sequences*)
 - Data in multiple coordinate systems
 - Basis functions expansion

Tensor methods – Motivation

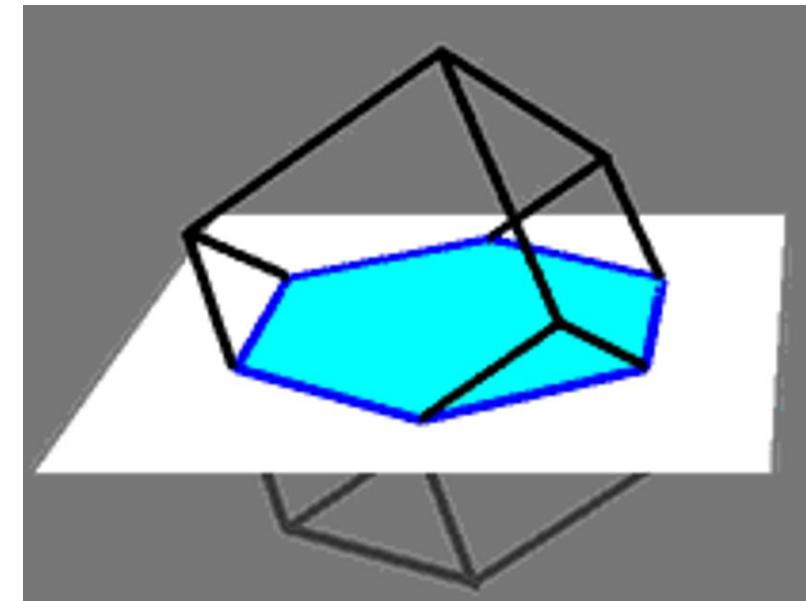
agent
 sample
 joint
 coordinate
 time step

$$\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 2 \times 31 \times 3 \times 100} \quad \boldsymbol{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 18600}$$

Tensor factorization
→ Multiway analysis of the data



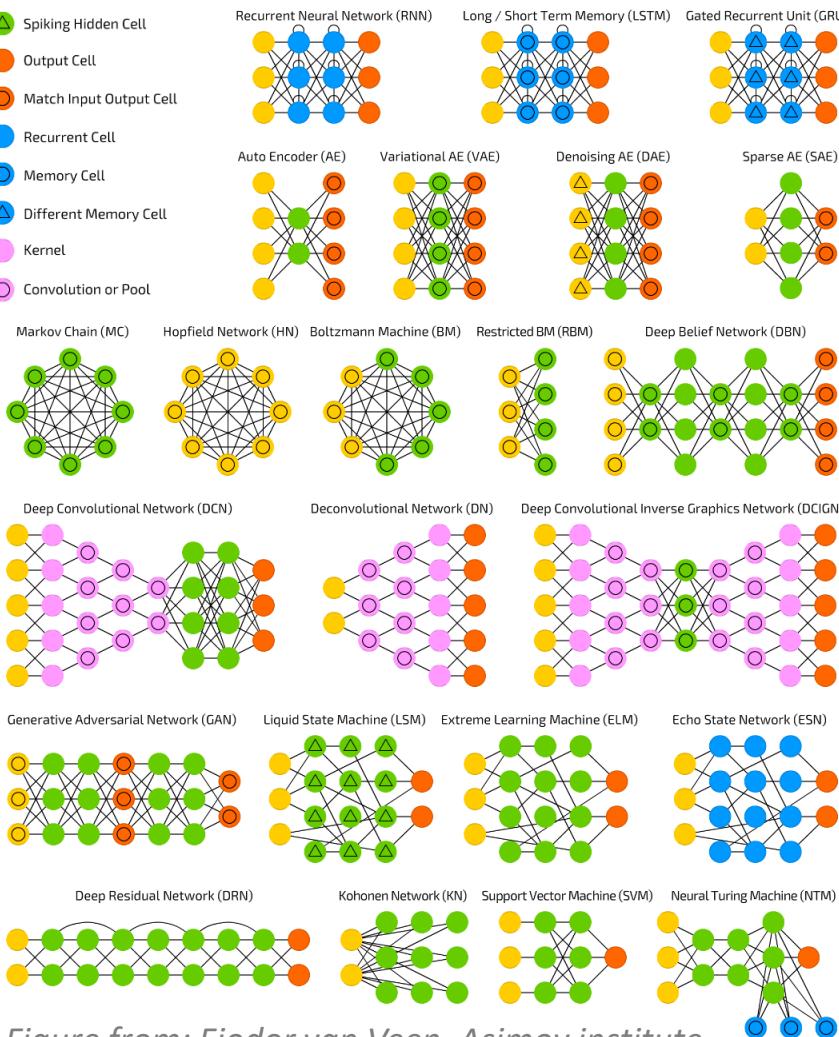
Couldn't we simply vectorize/flatten our data before further processing?



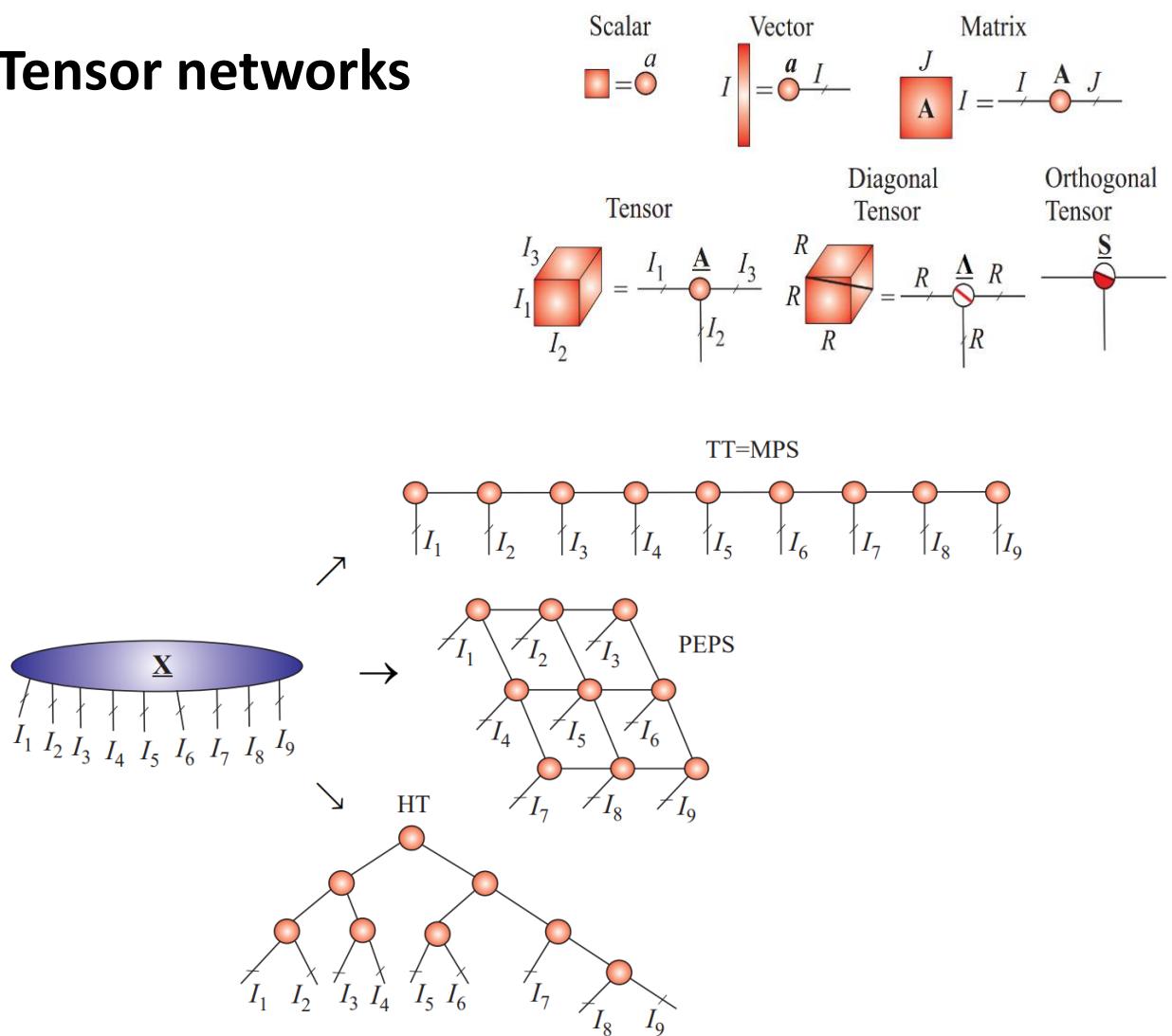
Tensor data in robotics: Available processing tools

- Backfed Input Cell
- Input Cell
- △ Noisy Input Cell
- Hidden Cell
- Probabilistic Hidden Cell
- △ Spiking Hidden Cell
- Output Cell
- Match Input Output Cell
- Recurrent Cell
- Memory Cell
- △ Different Memory Cell
- Kernel
- Convolution or Pool

Neural networks



Tensor networks



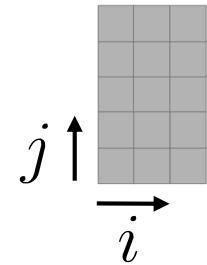
Figures from: Andrzej CICHOCKI (2014), Era of Big Data Processing: A New Approach via Tensor Networks and Tensor Decompositions

Separation of variables: a factorization problem

Matrix factorization with standard linear algebra:

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U} \Sigma \mathbf{V}^\top$$

(singular value decomposition)



Rank-1 decomposition:

$$\mathbf{X}_{i,j} = \mathbf{U}_i \mathbf{V}_j \rightarrow \text{Representation in a separable form}$$

Rank-R decomposition:

$$\mathbf{X}_{i,j} = \sum_{r=1}^R \mathbf{U}_{i,r} \mathbf{V}_{j,r} \quad \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{V}^\top$$

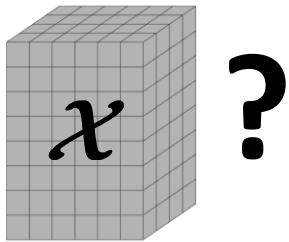
(in matrix form)

Extension to data with more indices (tensors):

$$\mathbf{X}_{i,j,k,\dots} = \sum_{r=1}^R \mathbf{U}_{i,r} \mathbf{V}_{j,r} \mathbf{W}_{k,r} \dots$$

(CP decomposition)

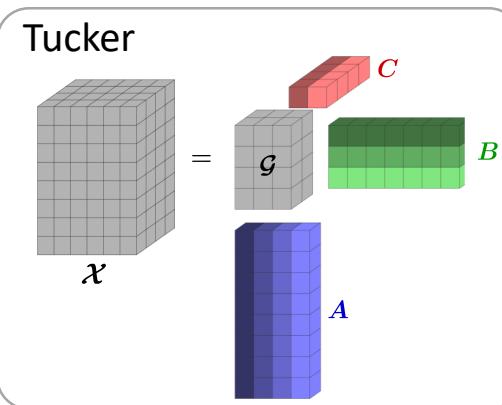
Data structured as tensors



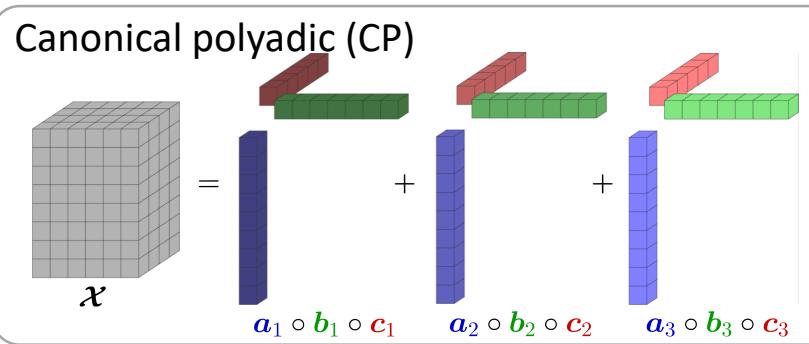
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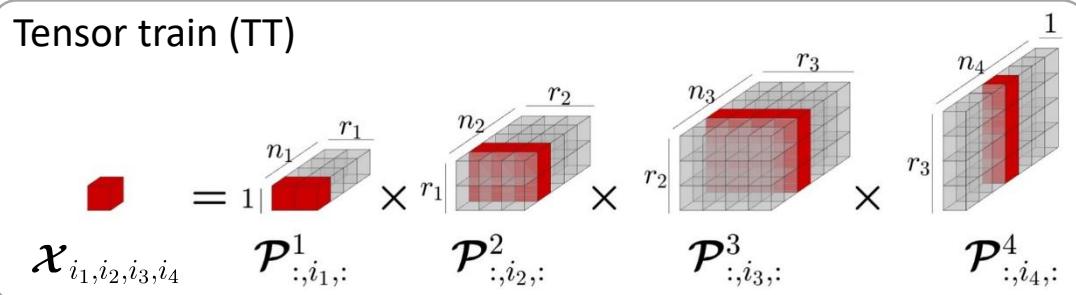
Tensor methods



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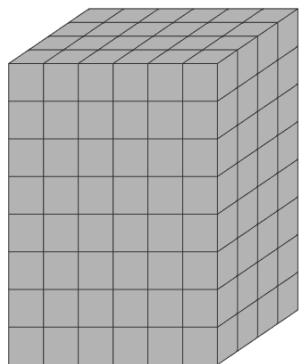


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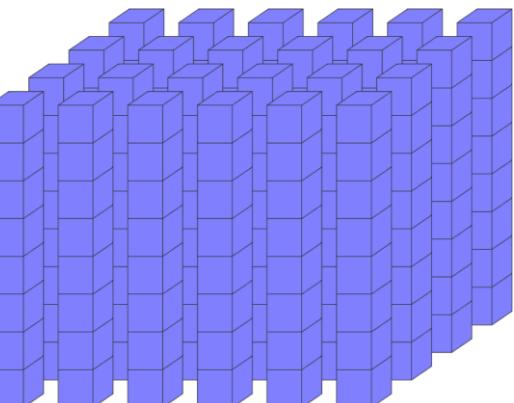
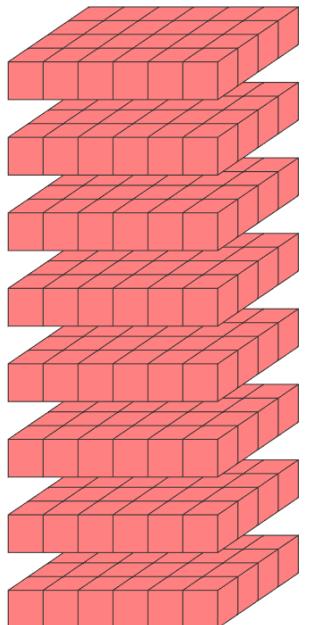
Tensor indexing - Slices and fibers



$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{8 \times 6 \times 4}$$

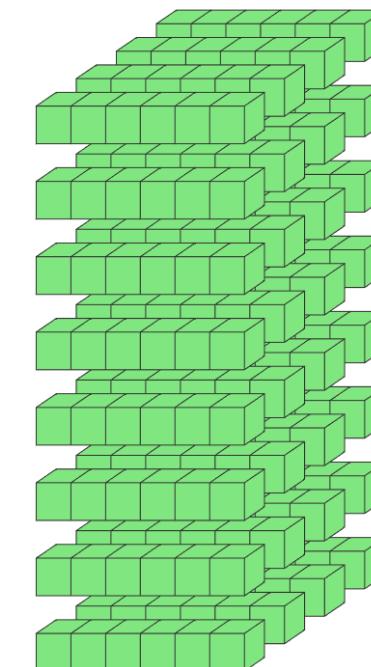
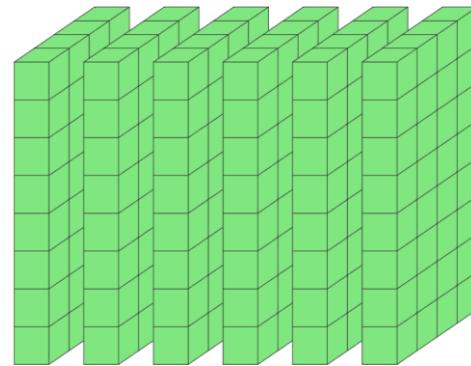
- \mathcal{X} tensor
- X matrix
- x vector
- x scalar

$X_{i,:,:}$ (horizontal slice)



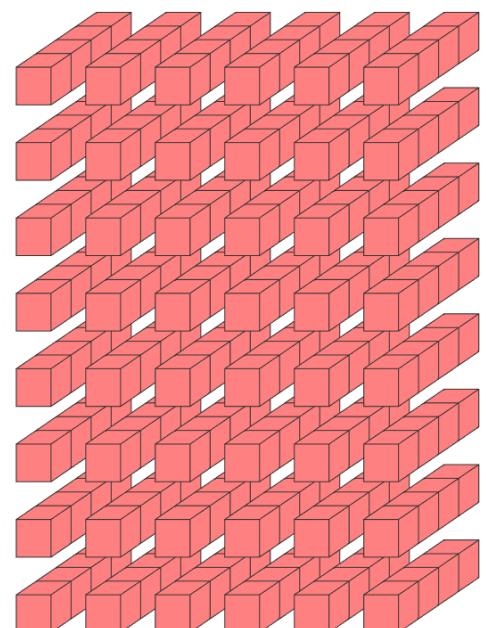
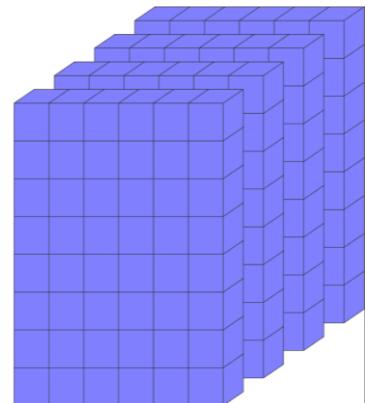
$\mathcal{X}_{:,j,k}$ (column fiber)

$X_{:,j,:}$ (lateral slice)



$\mathcal{X}_{i,:,:}$ (row fiber)

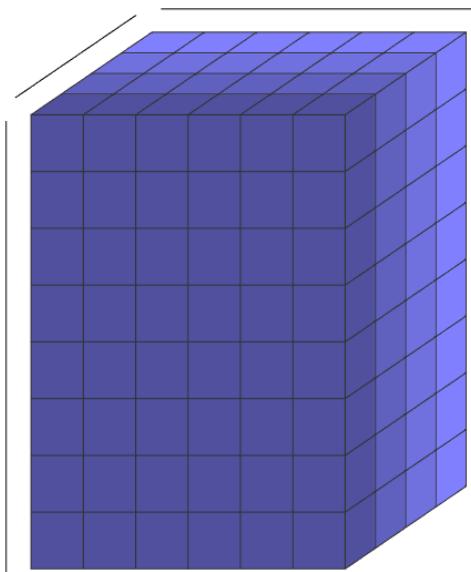
$X_{:,:,k}$ (frontal slice)



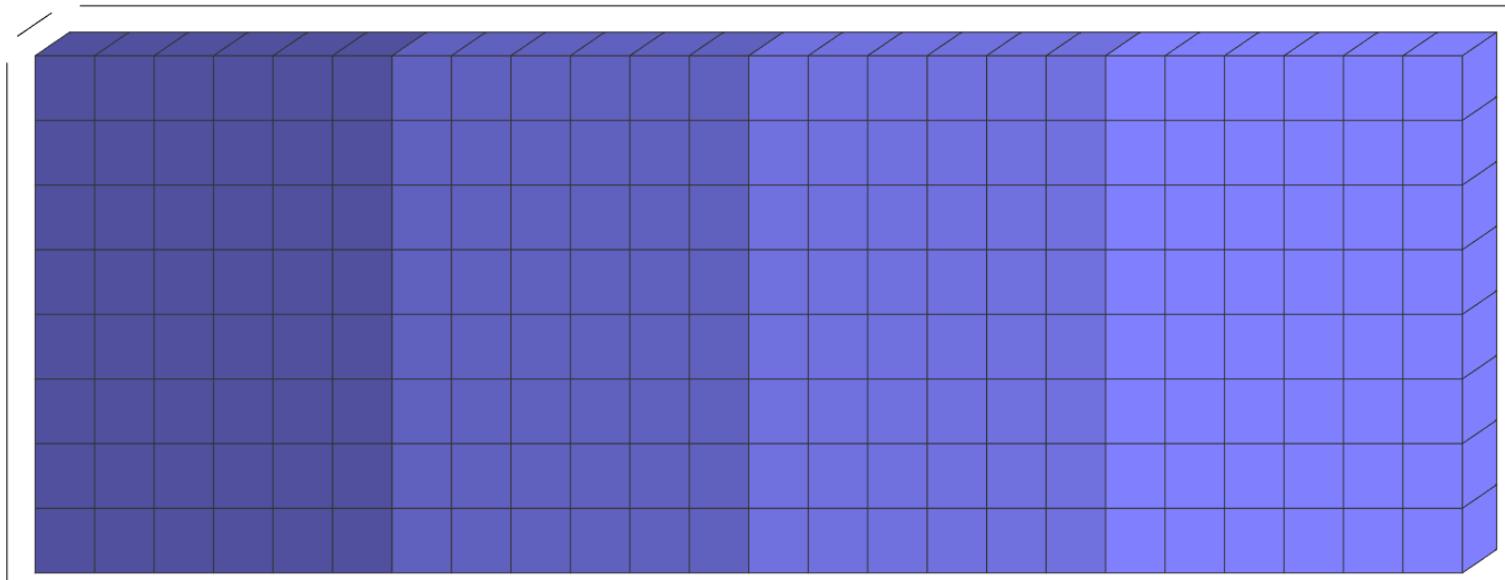
$\mathcal{X}_{i,j,:}$ (tube fiber)

Tensor matricization / unfolding

A matrix $\mathbf{X}_{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times (I_1 \cdots I_{n-1} I_{n+1} \cdots I_N)}$ results from the mode- n matricization (unfolding) of a tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \cdots \times I_N}$, which consists of turning the mode- n fibers of \mathcal{X} into the columns of a matrix $\mathbf{X}_{(n)}$.



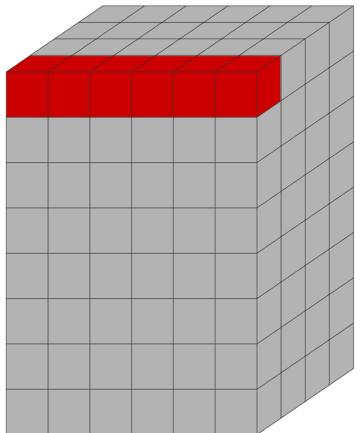
$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{8 \times 6 \times 4}$$



$$\mathbf{X}_{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{8 \times 24}$$

(mode-1 unfolding)

Modern product



$$\times_n$$

$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$$

$$\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times I_n}$$

$$\mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1} \times J \times I_{n+1} \times \dots \times I_N}$$

$$\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_{(n)} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{X}_{(n)} \quad (\text{matricized form})$$

$$y_{i_1, \dots, i_{n-1}, j, i_{n+1}, \dots, i_N} = \sum_{i_n=1}^{I_n} x_{i_1, \dots, i_N} m_{j, i_n} \quad (\text{elementwise})$$

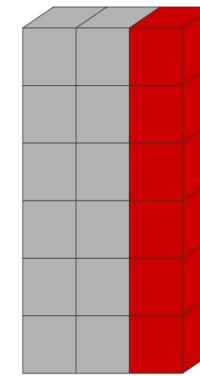
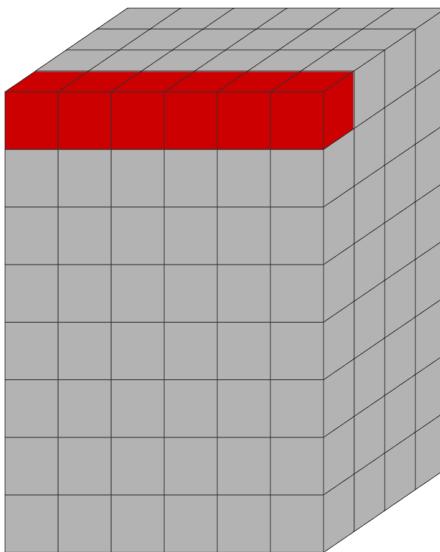
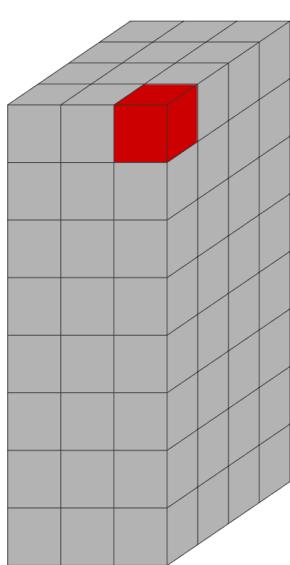
Intuitively, the operation corresponds to multiplying each mode- n fiber of \mathcal{X} by the matrix \mathbf{M} .

Modern product - Example

$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{8 \times 6 \times 4}$$

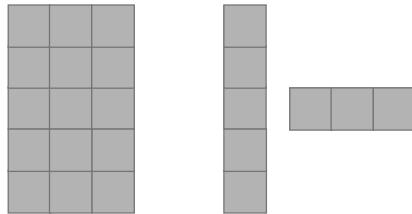
$$M \in \mathbb{R}^{6 \times 3}$$

$$\mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{8 \times 3 \times 4}$$



$$\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_2 M$$

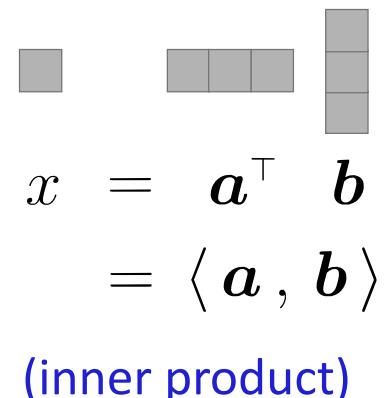
Outer product and inner product



The **outer product** of two vectors $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^I$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^J$ results in a matrix $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$ denoted by $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{a} \circ \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{ab}^\top$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{a} \quad \mathbf{b}^\top \\ &= \mathbf{a} \circ \mathbf{b} \\ (\text{outer product}) \end{aligned}$$

The **outer product** of three (or more) vectors $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^I$, $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^J$ and $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^K$ results in a tensor $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J \times K}$ denoted by $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} \circ \mathbf{b} \circ \mathbf{c}$ with elements $x_{i,j,k} = a_i b_j c_k$.

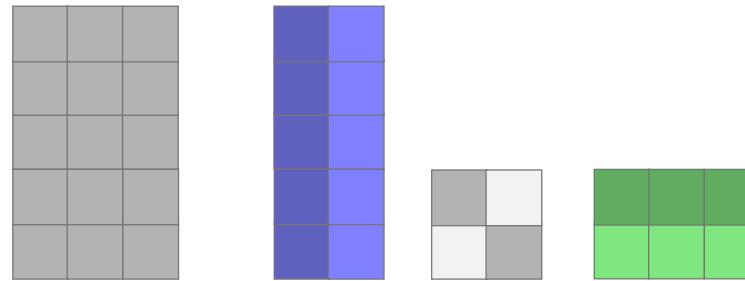


The **inner product** of two vectors $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^I$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^I$ results in a scalar $x = \langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^I a_i b_i$.

The formulation can be extended to tensors \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} of the same size. We have

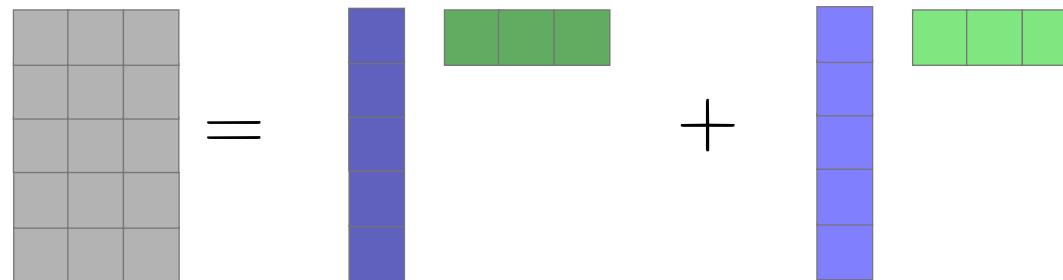
$$\langle \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \rangle = \langle \mathcal{A}_{(n)}, \mathcal{B}_{(n)} \rangle = \langle \text{vec}(\mathcal{A}), \text{vec}(\mathcal{B}) \rangle.$$

Singular value decomposition (SVD)

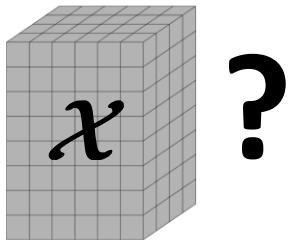


$$X = U \Sigma V^\top$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{u}_i = \sigma_i u_i &= \sigma_1^2 u_1 v_1^\top + \sigma_2^2 u_2 v_2^\top \\ \tilde{v}_i = \sigma_i v_i &= \tilde{u}_1 \tilde{v}_1^\top + \tilde{u}_2 \tilde{v}_2^\top \\ &= \tilde{u}_1 \circ \tilde{v}_1 + \tilde{u}_2 \circ \tilde{v}_2 \end{aligned}$$



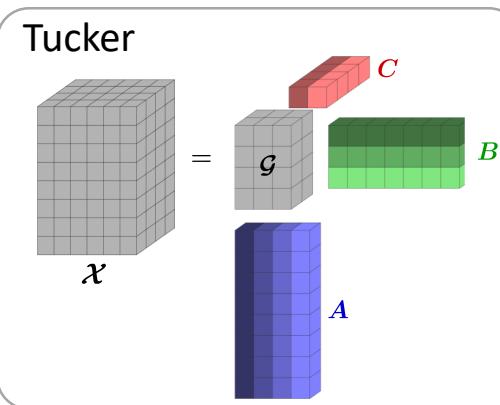
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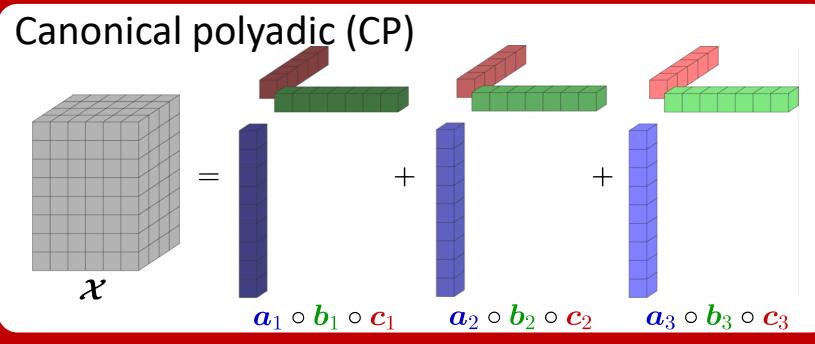
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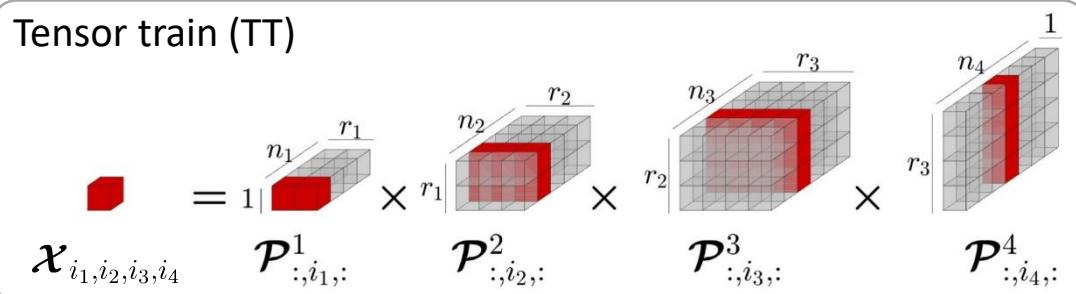
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CP decomposition

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathbf{a}_1 \circ \mathbf{b}_1 \circ \mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 \circ \mathbf{b}_2 \circ \mathbf{c}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3 \circ \mathbf{b}_3 \circ \mathbf{c}_3$$

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3] \mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3] \mathbf{C} = [\mathbf{c}_1, \mathbf{c}_2, \mathbf{c}_3]$$

CP decomposition

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\chi} &= \sum_{j=1}^r \mathbf{a}_j \circ \mathbf{b}_j \circ \mathbf{c}_j \\ &= [\![\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}]\!]\end{aligned}$$

Matricized form:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X}_{(1)} &= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{C} \odot \mathbf{B})^\top \\ \mathbf{X}_{(2)} &= \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{C} \odot \mathbf{A})^\top \\ \mathbf{X}_{(3)} &= \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{B} \odot \mathbf{A})^\top\end{aligned}$$

Vectorized form: $\text{vec}(\boldsymbol{\chi}) = (\mathbf{C} \odot \mathbf{B} \odot \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{1}_R$

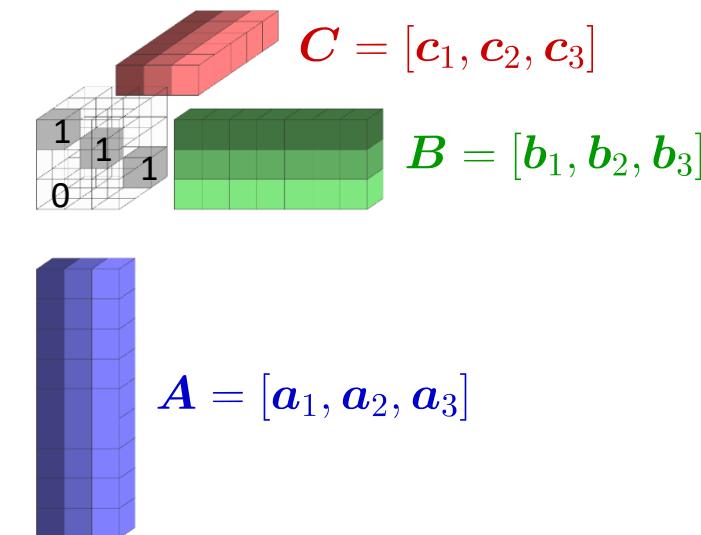
Elementwise:

$$x_{i_1, i_2, i_3} = \sum_{j=1}^r a_{i_1, j} b_{i_2, j} c_{i_3, j}$$

$\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_r]$ is called a factor matrix.

The **tensor rank** r corresponds to the smallest number of components required in the CP decomposition.

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\chi} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3} \\ \mathbf{A} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r} \\ \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times r} \\ \mathbf{C} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_3 \times r}\end{aligned}$$



CP parameters estimation: Alternating least squares (ALS)

The CP decomposition can be solved by alternating least squares (ALS),
by repeating

$$\mathbf{A} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{A}} \|\mathbf{X}_{(1)} - \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{C} \odot \mathbf{B})^\top\|_F^2$$

$$\mathbf{B} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{B}} \|\mathbf{X}_{(2)} - \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{C} \odot \mathbf{A})^\top\|_F^2$$

$$\mathbf{C} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{C}} \|\mathbf{X}_{(3)} - \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{B} \odot \mathbf{A})^\top\|_F^2$$

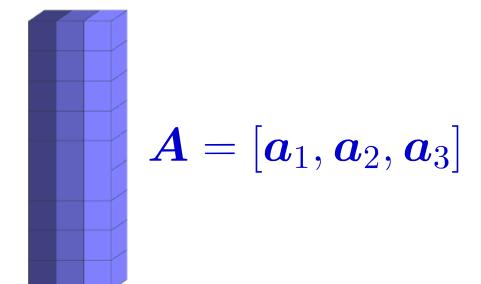
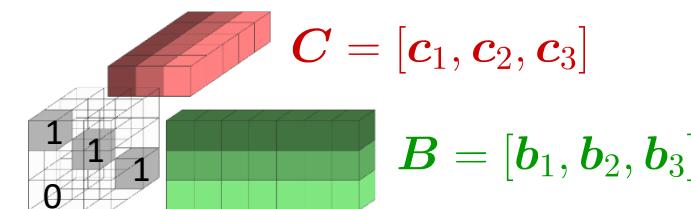
until convergence, yielding the update rules

$$\mathbf{A} \leftarrow \mathbf{X}_{(1)} \left((\mathbf{C} \odot \mathbf{B})^\top \right)^\dagger$$

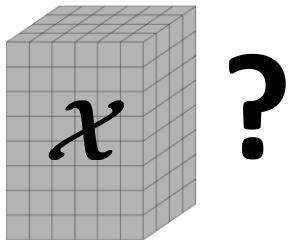
$$\mathbf{B} \leftarrow \mathbf{X}_{(2)} \left((\mathbf{C} \odot \mathbf{A})^\top \right)^\dagger$$

$$\mathbf{C} \leftarrow \mathbf{X}_{(3)} \left((\mathbf{B} \odot \mathbf{A})^\top \right)^\dagger$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3} \\ \mathbf{A} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r} \\ \mathbf{B} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times r} \\ \mathbf{C} &\in \mathbb{R}^{n_3 \times r}\end{aligned}$$



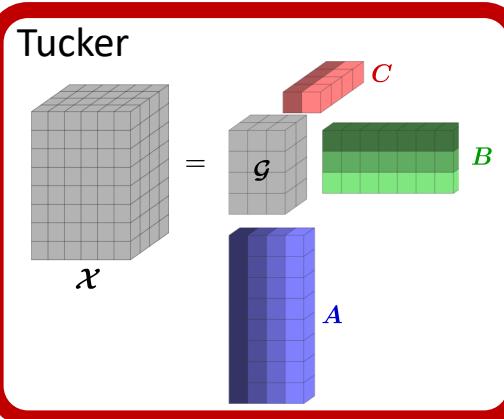
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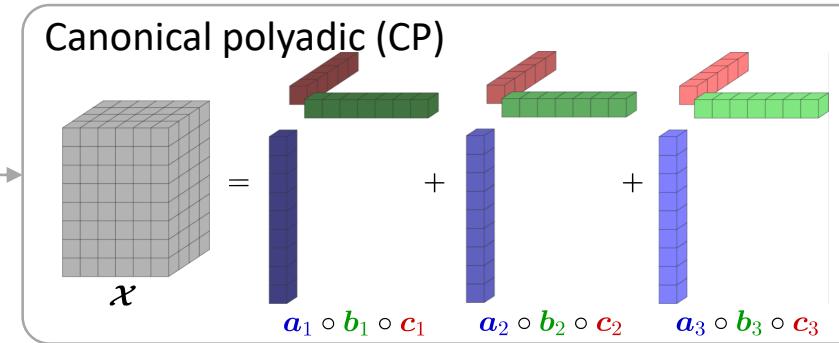
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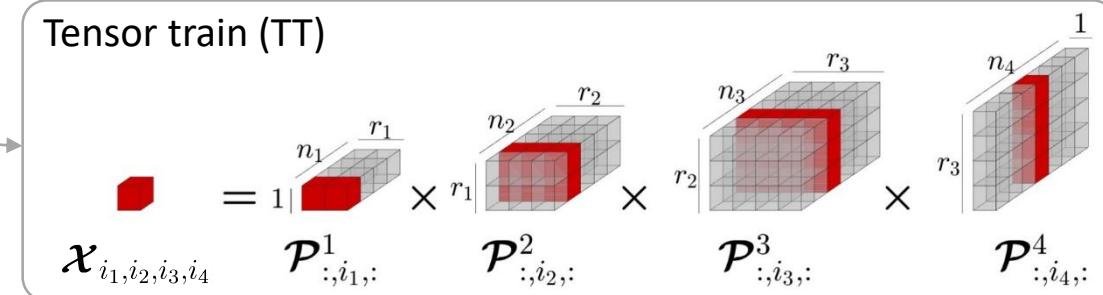
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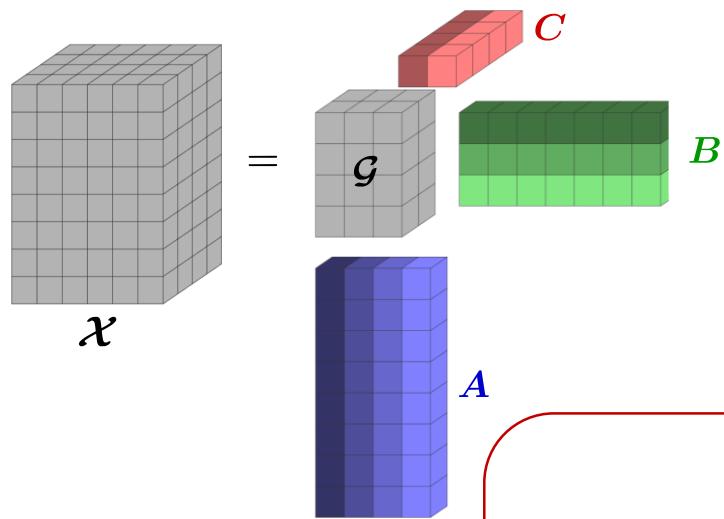


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Tucker decomposition



Core tensor

$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}$
$\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times r_2 \times r_3}$
$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r_1}$
$B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times r_2}$
$C \in \mathbb{R}^{n_3 \times r_3}$

$$A^\top A = I_{r_1}$$

$$B^\top B = I_{r_2}$$

$$C^\top C = I_{r_3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{X} &= \sum_{j_1=1}^{r_1} \sum_{j_2=1}^{r_2} \sum_{j_3=1}^{r_3} g_{j_1,j_2,j_3} \mathbf{a}_{j_1} \circ \mathbf{b}_{j_2} \circ \mathbf{c}_{j_3} \\ &= \mathcal{G} \times_1 A \times_2 B \times_3 C \\ &= [\mathcal{G}; A, B, C]\end{aligned}$$

Matricized form:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X}_{(1)} &= A\mathbf{G}_{(1)}(\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{B})^\top \\ \mathbf{X}_{(2)} &= B\mathbf{G}_{(2)}(\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{A})^\top \\ \mathbf{X}_{(3)} &= C\mathbf{G}_{(3)}(\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{A})^\top\end{aligned}$$

Elementwise:

$$x_{i_1,i_2,i_3} = \sum_{j_1=1}^{r_1} \sum_{j_2=1}^{r_2} \sum_{j_3=1}^{r_3} g_{j_1,j_2,j_3} a_{i_1,j_1} b_{i_2,j_2} c_{i_3,j_3}$$

Tucker parameters estimation: Higher-order SVD (H0-SVD)

The Tucker decomposition can be estimated by computing the truncated singular value decompositions (SVD)

$$\mathbf{X}_{(1)} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{(2)} = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{(3)} = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^\top$$

with \mathcal{G} finally evaluated as

$$\mathcal{G} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} \times_1 \mathbf{A}^\top \times_2 \mathbf{B}^\top \times_3 \mathbf{C}^\top$$

$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}$$

$$\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times r_2 \times r_3}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r_1}$$

$$\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times r_2}$$

$$\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_3 \times r_3}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}_{r_1}$$

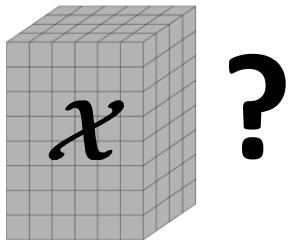
$$\mathbf{B}^\top \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}_{r_2}$$

$$\mathbf{C}^\top \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I}_{r_3}$$

In contrast to CP, the Tucker decomposition is generally not unique

→ A, B and C constrained to be orthogonal matrices

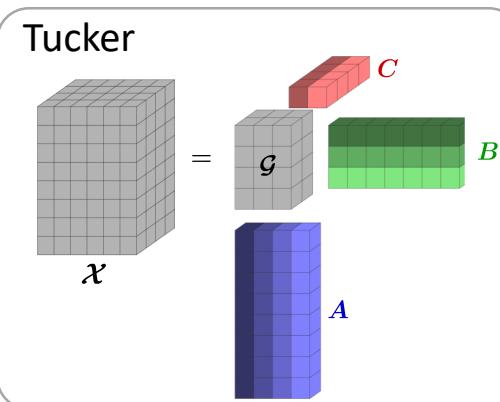
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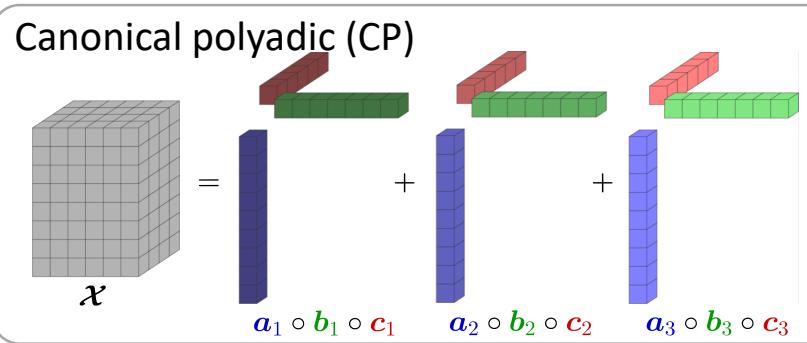
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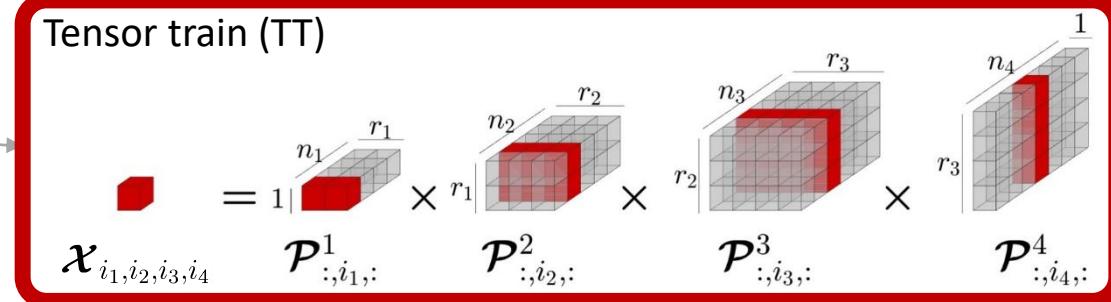
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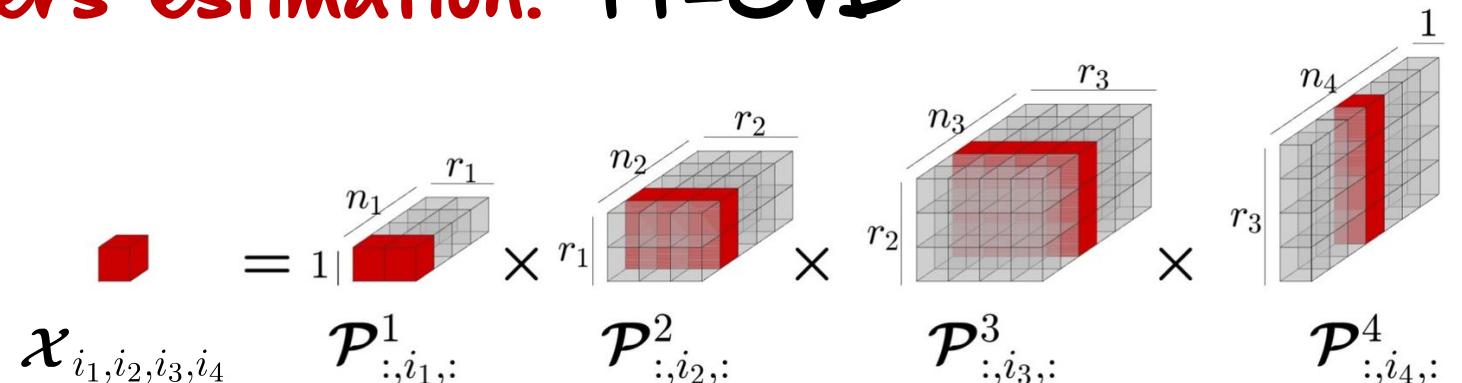


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Tensor train parameters estimation: TT-SVD

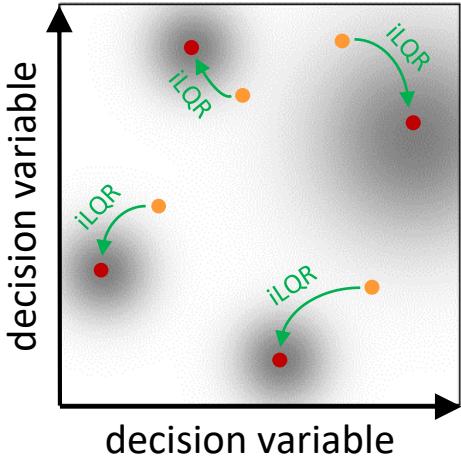
$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3 \times n_4}$$

$$\mathcal{P}^k \in \mathbb{R}^{r_{k-1} \times n_k \times r_k}$$

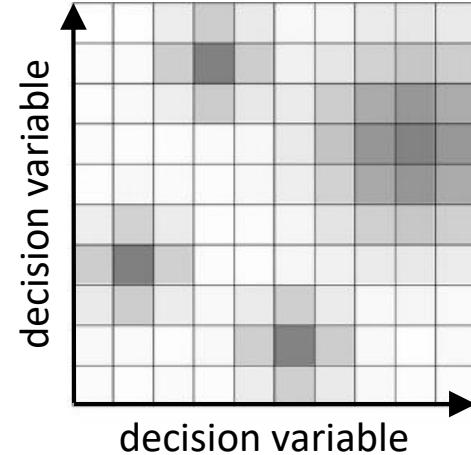


- \mathcal{X} is reshaped as a $n_1 \times n_2 n_3 n_4$ matrix \mathbf{X}_1
- $\mathbf{X}_1 \approx \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{V}_1^\top$, where \mathbf{U}_1 is a $n_1 \times r_1$ matrix, reshaped as 1st core \mathcal{P}^1
- $\mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{V}_1^\top$ is a $r_1 \times n_2 n_3 n_4$ matrix reshaped into a $r_1 n_2 \times n_3 n_4$ matrix \mathbf{X}_2
- $\mathbf{X}_2 \approx \mathbf{U}_2 \mathbf{S}_2 \mathbf{V}_2^\top$, where \mathbf{U}_2 is a $r_1 n_2 \times r_2$ matrix, reshaped as 2nd core \mathcal{P}^2
- $\mathbf{S}_2 \mathbf{V}_2^\top$ is a $r_2 \times n_3 n_4$ matrix reshaped into a $r_2 n_3 \times n_4$ matrix \mathbf{X}_3
- $\mathbf{X}_3 \approx \mathbf{U}_3 \mathbf{S}_3 \mathbf{V}_3^\top$, where \mathbf{U}_3 is a $r_2 n_3 \times r_3$ matrix, reshaped as 3rd core \mathcal{P}^3
- $\mathbf{S}_3 \mathbf{V}_3^\top$ is a $r_3 \times n_4$ matrix, reshaped as 4th core \mathcal{P}^4

Example: Tensor train for global optimization



For 2D decision variable:



For nD decision variable:

$$\mathcal{X}_{i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4} = 1 | \begin{matrix} r_1 \\ \mathcal{P}_{:, i_1, :}^1 \end{matrix} \times r_1 | \begin{matrix} r_2 \\ \mathcal{P}_{:, i_2, :}^2 \end{matrix} \times r_2 | \begin{matrix} r_3 \\ \mathcal{P}_{:, i_3, :}^3 \end{matrix} \times r_3 | \begin{matrix} r_4 \\ \mathcal{P}_{:, i_4, :}^4 \end{matrix} \times r_4 | \frac{1}{r_4}$$

Tensor train (TT)

Example: Tensor train for global optimization

Cross approximation (skeleton decomposition) of a probability distribution:

$$\hat{P} = P_{:,i_2} \left(P_{i_1,i_2}^{-1} \right) P_{i_1,:}$$

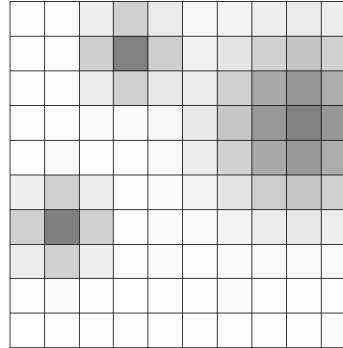
Singular value decomposition (SVD)

$$X = U \Sigma V^T$$

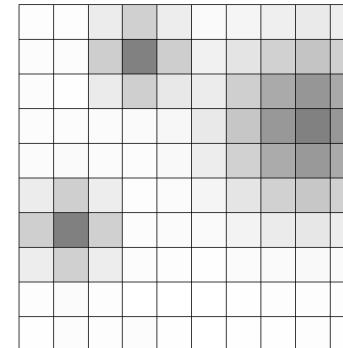
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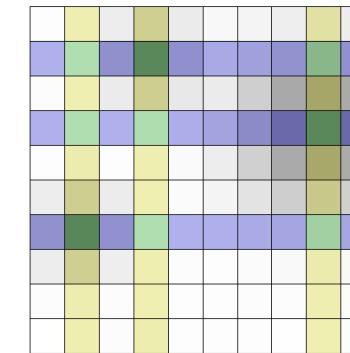
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Original distribution

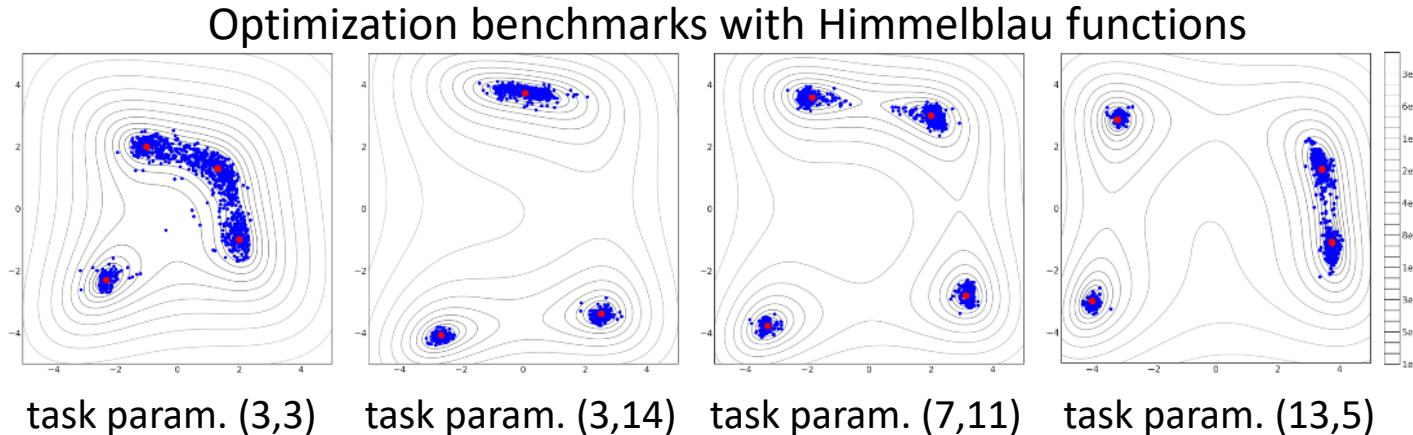


Reconstructed distribution
(rank 3 approximation)

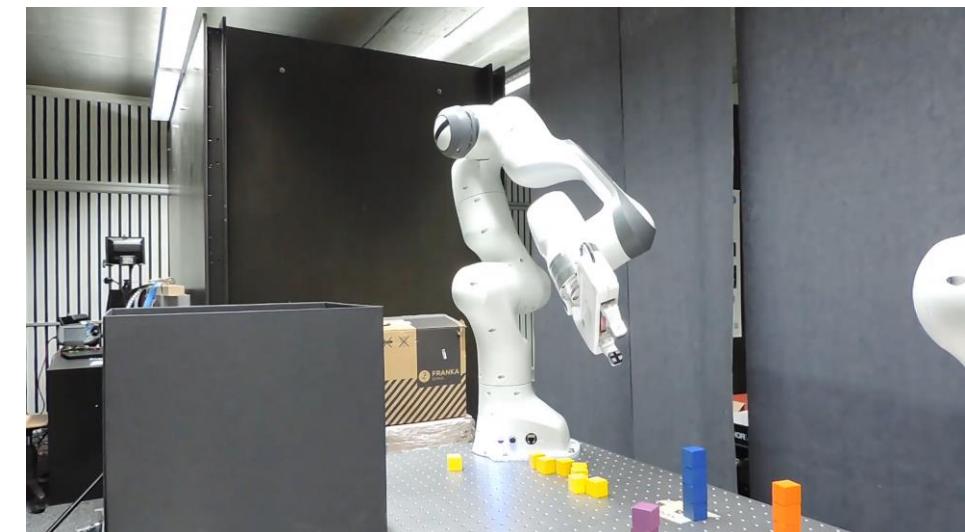
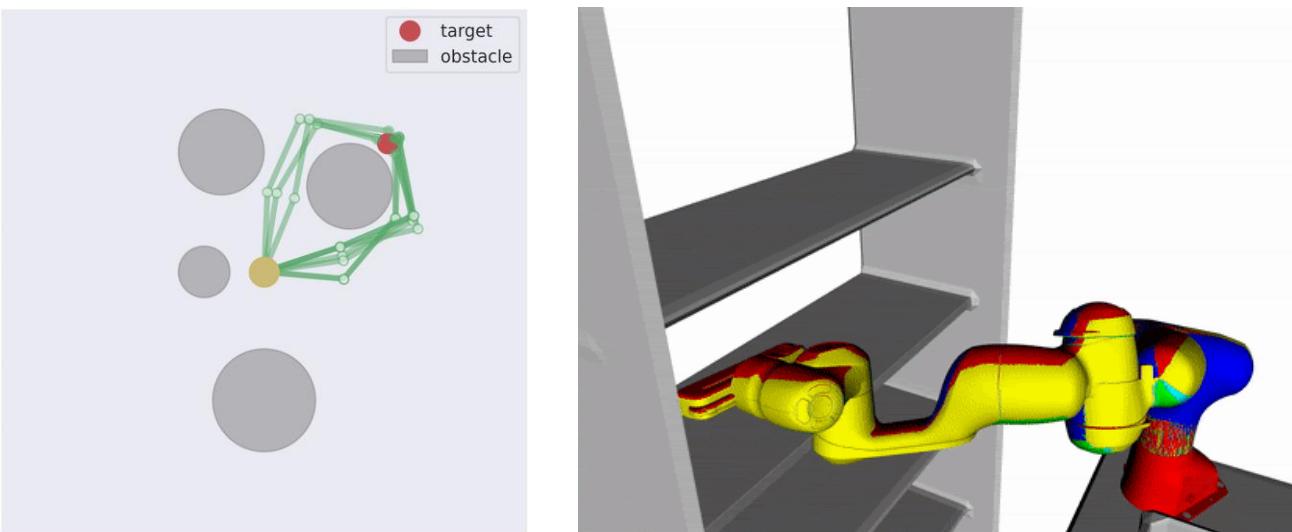


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Example: Tensor train for global optimization



Inverse kinematics (success rate)	Number of samples			
	1	10	100	1000
TTGO	94.00%	98.00%	98.00%	99.00%
Uniform	37.75%	45.50%	59.25%	75.00%
Target reaching (success rate)	Number of samples			
	1	10	100	1000
TTGO	62.00%	86.00%	86.00%	88.00%
Uniform	19.25%	28.75%	41.00%	53.50%
Pick-and-place (success rate)	Number of samples			
	1	10	100	1000
TTGO	70.00%	81.00%	79.00%	89.00%
Uniform	23.75%	30.25%	39.5%	44.25%



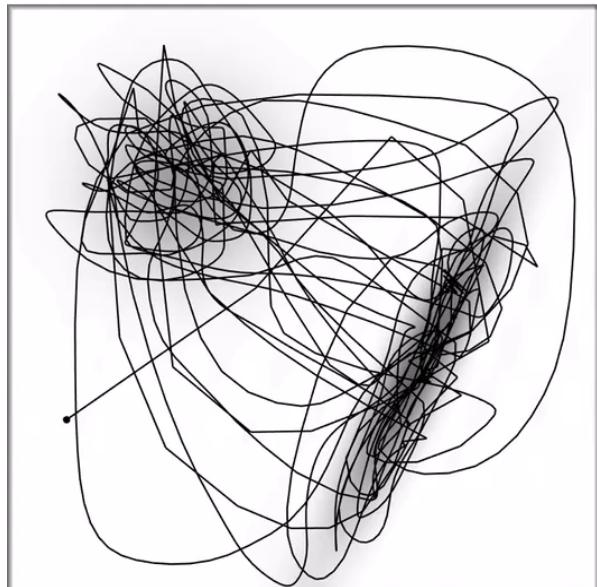
Ergodic control: Spectral multiscale coverage problem

Exploring
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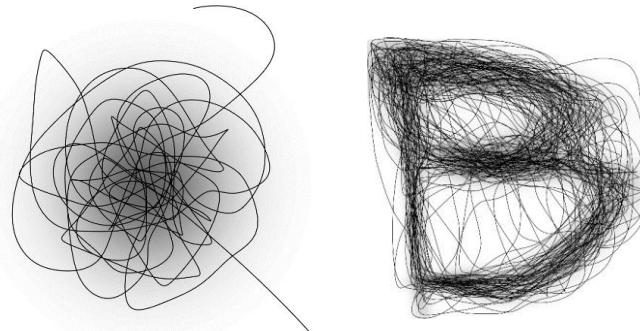
Tracking in the frequency domain

$$\min_{u(t)} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \Lambda_k (w_k - \hat{w}_k)^2$$

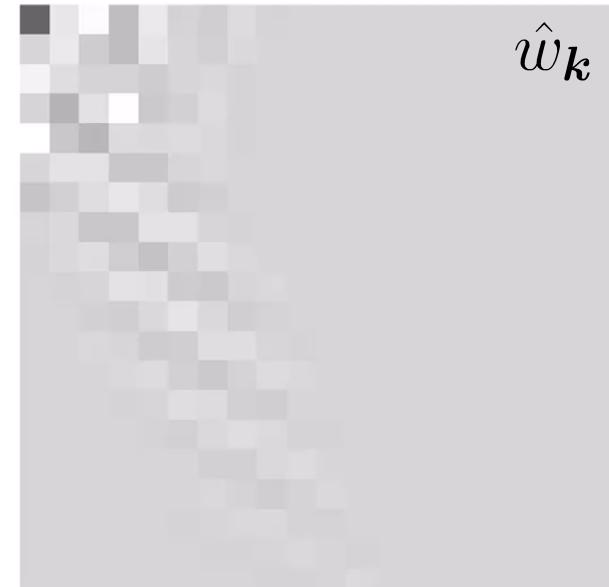
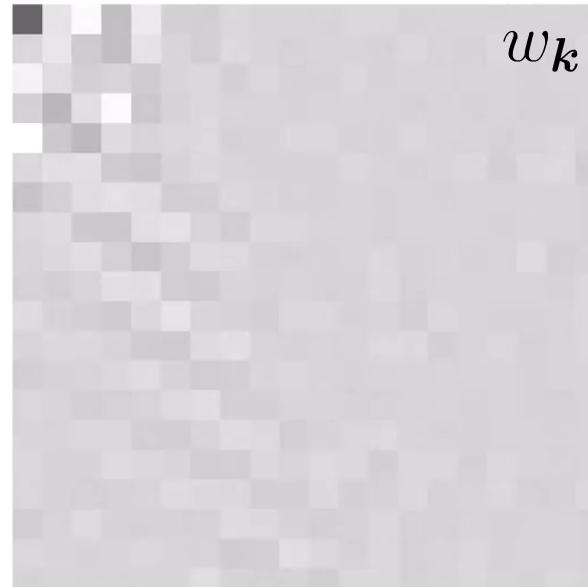
fixed weights



Input: Spatial distribution
Output: Control commands



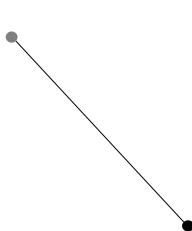
Aim: Matching Fourier series coefficients



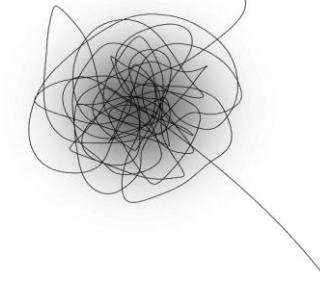
Ergodic control for insertion tasks

Ergodic control as search behavior

Point tracking



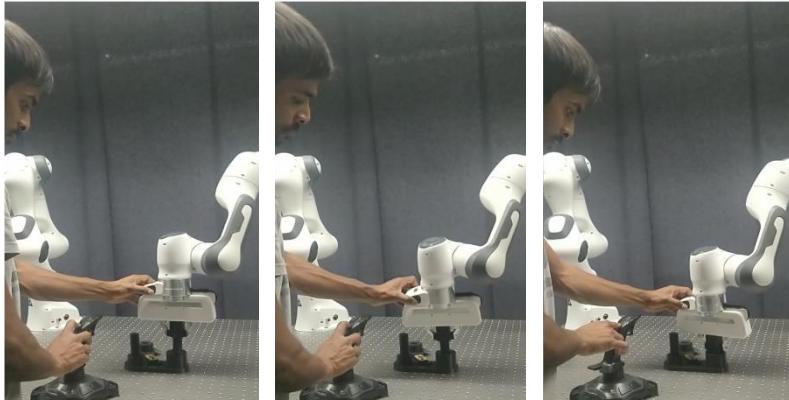
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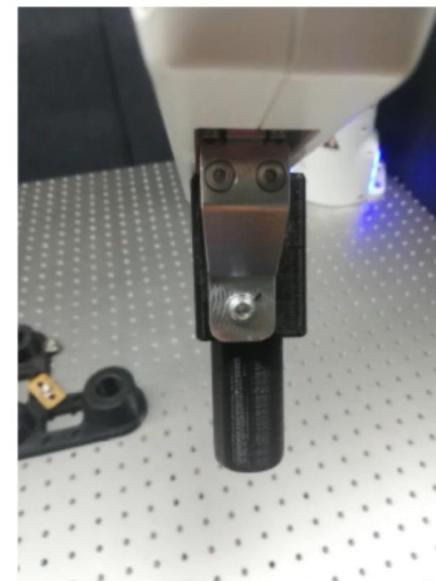
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The **Fourier basis functions** expansion does not scale well for more than 3 dimensions:
→ low-rank tensor factorization is required

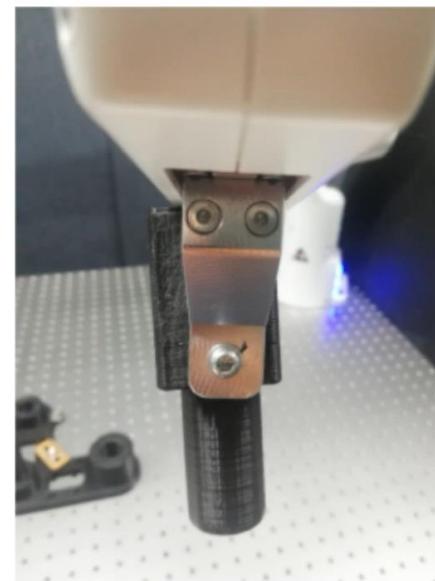
Insertion task (Siemens gears benchmark)



Demonstration of insertion pose variations to provide a spatial reference distribution



Grasp #1



Grasp #2

We evaluate the proposed approach using two different peg grasps:

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<https://www.tensorlab.net> (Matlab)

