

CSE 847 (Spring 2022): Machine Learning — Project Report

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Abstract

This paper is a summary of basic concepts of tensors, Tucker decomposition and higher order singular value decomposition (HOSVD), and variants of randomized algorithms for computing these decompositions.

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1. Introduction

As we collect ever-increasing amount of data, the importance of creating sophisticated algorithms to analyze and extract meaningful insights out of them is also growing at same pace. A significant subset of this data is multidimensional in nature. They appear naturally in many fields: deep learning [2], Computer Vision [8], numerical analysis [3] etc. A common characteristics of these data is that they're huge in size- making it hard to apply many traditional machine learning and data analytics tool on this data directly.

One common technique deal to with this is dimension reduction: where these large multi-dimensional arrays (tensors) are transformed into smaller size while maintaining the hidden structures of the data. But straightforward application of even dimension reduction can be prohibitively expensive. A solution to this problem is randomized algorithms. They operate on subsets of data, and has been shown to be quite effective in several application areas [7, 8, 3].

In this paper, we looked into several randomized algorithms for tensor decomposition. These include:

- Random Projection HOSVD (RP-HOSVD)
- Random Projection HOOI (RP-HOOI)
- Randomized Sequentially Truncated HOSVD (R-STHOSVD)
- Randomized Pass-Efficient Algorithm for Tucker Decomposition (R-PET)

We implemented these algorithms in MATLAB¹ using the Tensor Toolbox [4] for tensor operations, and evaluated their performance, both in terms of reconstruction error and computation time

¹<https://github.com/williamliao28/CSE847-Project-rHOSVD>

using a real and a synthetic dataset. We show how these randomized variants can significantly reduce computation time while maintaining good reconstruction performance. We also qualitatively evaluated these using image data.

2. Notation and Preliminaries

The contents in this section are mainly based on [5].

Definition 1. The **order** of a tensor is the number of dimensions, also called **ways** or **modes**.

In this paper,

- **vectors** (tensors of order 1) are denoted by boldface lowercase letters, e.g. **a**.
- **matrices** (tensors of order 2) are denoted by boldface capital letters, e.g. **A**.
- **tensors** (order ≥ 3) are denoted by boldface Euler script letters, e.g. **\mathcal{X}** .
- the i -th entry of a vector **a** is denoted by a_i .
- the (i, j) -th element of a matrix **A** is denoted by A_{ij} .
- the (i, j, k) -th element of a third-order tensor **\mathcal{X}** is denoted by x_{ijk} .
- a colon “:” is used to indicate all elements of a mode. e.g. for a matrix **A**,
 - $\mathbf{a}_{i:}$ = i -th row of **A**.
 - $\mathbf{a}_{:j}$ = j -th column of **A**.

Definition 2. A **fiber** is defined by fixing every index but one.

For a third-order tensor **\mathcal{X}** ,

- $\mathbf{x}_{:jk}$ = **column fibers** or **mode-1 fibers** of **\mathcal{X}** .
- $\mathbf{x}_{i:k}$ = **row fibers** or **mode-2 fibers** of **\mathcal{X}** .
- $\mathbf{x}_{ij:}$ = **tube fibers** or **mode-3 fibers** of **\mathcal{X}** .

Definition 3. **Slices** are two-dimensional sections of a tensor defined by fixing all but two indices.

For a third-order tensor **\mathcal{X}** ,

- $\mathbf{X}_{i:}$ = **horizontal slices** of **\mathcal{X}** .
- $\mathbf{X}_{:j:}$ = **lateral slices** of **\mathcal{X}** .
- $\mathbf{X}_{::k}$ = **frontal slices** of **\mathcal{X}** .

Definition 4 (Norm of a Tensor). The **norm** of a tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$, denoted by $\|\mathcal{X}\|$, is defined as

$$\|\mathcal{X}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i_1=1}^{I_1} \sum_{i_2=1}^{I_2} \dots \sum_{i_N=1}^{I_N} x_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N}^2}. \quad (1)$$

Definition 5 (Inner Product of Tensors). The **inner product** of two same-sized tensors $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$, denoted by $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle$, is defined as

$$\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \rangle = \sqrt{\sum_{i_1=1}^{I_1} \sum_{i_2=1}^{I_2} \dots \sum_{i_N=1}^{I_N} x_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N} y_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N}}. \quad (2)$$

Thus, by the definition of norm and inner product, $\langle \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X} \rangle = \|\mathcal{X}\|^2$.

Definition 6 (Rank-one Tensors). A N -way tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ is **rank one** if it can be written as the outer product of N vectors,

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathbf{a}^{(1)} \circ \mathbf{a}^{(2)} \circ \dots \circ \mathbf{a}^{(N)}, \quad (3)$$

for some vectors $\mathbf{a}^{(1)}, \mathbf{a}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{a}^{(N)}$ and “ \circ ” denotes the vector outer product.

Definition 7. A tensor is called **cubical** if every mode is the same size. A cubical tensor is called **supersymmetric** (some literatures call this “symmetric”) if its elements remain constant under any permutation of the indices.

For a 3-way tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times I \times I}$, it is supersymmetric if

$$x_{ijk} = x_{ikj} = x_{jik} = x_{jki} = x_{kij} = x_{kji} \quad \forall i, j, k = 1, \dots, I.$$

Definition 8 (Diagnoal Tensor). A tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ is **diagonal** if $x_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N} \neq 0$ only if $i_1 = i_2 = \dots = i_N$.

Definition 9 (Matricization). The process of reordering the elements of an N -way array into a matrix is called **matricization**. This is also called **unfolding** or **flattening**.

The mode- n matricization of a tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ is denoted by $\mathbf{X}_{(n)}$ and arranges the mode- n fibers to be the columns of the resulting matrix.

Remark 1. It is also possible to vectorize a tensor. This process is called vectorization.

2.1. Tensor Multiplication

The n -**mode product** of a tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ with a matrix $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times I_n}$ is defined as

$$\text{elementwise:} \quad (\mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{U})_{i_1 \dots i_{n-1} j i_{n+1} \dots i_N} = \sum_{i_n=1}^{I_n} x_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N} u_{j i_n} \quad (4a)$$

$$\text{unfold tensors:} \quad \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{U} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{Y}_{(n)} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{X}_{(n)} \quad (4b)$$

The result is a tensor of size $I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1} \times J \times I_{n+1} \times \dots \times I_N$. Each mode- n fiber is multiplied by the matrix \mathbf{U} . The following are some properties of the n -mode product:

- (1) For distinct modes in a series of multiplications, the order of the multiplication is irrelevant.

$$\mathcal{X} \times_m \mathbf{A} \times_n \mathbf{B} = \mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{B} \times_m \mathbf{A}, \quad \text{for } n \neq m. \quad (5)$$

- (2) If the modes are the same

$$\mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{A} \times_n \mathbf{B} = \mathcal{X} \times_n (\mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}). \quad (6)$$

2.2. Some Matrix Products

- **Kronecker Product**

The **Kronecker product** of two matrices $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$ and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L}$, denoted by $\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B}$, is defined as

$$\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}\mathbf{B} & a_{12}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{1J}\mathbf{B} \\ a_{21}\mathbf{B} & a_{22}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{2J}\mathbf{B} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I1}\mathbf{B} & a_{I2}\mathbf{B} & \cdots & a_{IJ}\mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

- **Khatri-Rao Product**

The **Khatri-Rao product** of two matrices $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times K}$ and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times K}$, denoted by $\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B}$, is defined as

$$\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{a}_1 \otimes \mathbf{b}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \otimes \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_K \otimes \mathbf{b}_K] \quad (8)$$

- **Hadamard Product**

The **Hadamard product** of two matrices $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$, denoted by $\mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B}$, is defined as

$$\mathbf{A} * \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} & \cdots & a_{1J}b_{1J} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} & \cdots & a_{2J}b_{2J} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{I1}b_{I1} & a_{I2}b_{I2} & \cdots & a_{IJ}b_{IJ} \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

Some properties of these matrix products:

$$(\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{D}) = \mathbf{AC} \otimes \mathbf{BD} \quad (10a)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B})^\dagger = \mathbf{A}^\dagger \otimes \mathbf{B}^\dagger \quad (10b)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B} \odot \mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B}) \odot \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \odot (\mathbf{B} \odot \mathbf{C}) \quad (10c)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B}) = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) * (\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}) \quad (10d)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B})^\dagger = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) * (\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B})^\dagger (\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B})^T \quad (10e)$$

3. Higher Order Singular Value Decomposition (HOSVD)

This section aims to explain the basic concepts of HOSVD. The HOSVD can be viewed as a form of higher-order principal component analysis (PCA). Different names of HOSVD appear in literatures including Tucker Decomposition, N -mode PCA, or N -mode SVD. The core concept of HOSVD is to decomposes a tensor into a core tensor multiplied (or transformed) by a matrix along each mode. To express this idea in mathematical equation, we first consider the three-way case, then extend it to general N -way tensors.

Let $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J \times K}$ be a three-way tensor. The HOSVD of \mathcal{X} is defined as

$$\mathcal{X} \approx \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{A} \times_2 \mathbf{B} \times_3 \mathbf{C} = \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{q=1}^Q \sum_{r=1}^R g_{pqr} \mathbf{a}_p \circ \mathbf{b}_q \circ \mathbf{c}_r = [\mathcal{G}; \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}]. \quad (11)$$

where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times P}$, $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times Q}$, and $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times R}$ are called the **factor matrices**, and $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{P \times Q \times R}$ is called the **core tensor**. The factor matrices can be thought of as the principal components in each mode similar to the case in SVD, and entries of the core tensor show the level of interaction between the different components. Thus, this is similar to the singular value matrix in SVD in some sense. This can also be written in elementwise form as follows

$$x_{ijk} \approx \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{q=1}^Q \sum_{r=1}^R g_{pqr} a_{ip} b_{jq} c_{kr} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, I, j = 1, \dots, J, k = 1, \dots, K. \quad (12)$$

Note that the factor matrices are not assumed to be orthogonal or columnwise orthonormal, but it is possible to make factor matrices to have these desired properties. HOSVD can also be written in matricized form,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_{(1)} &\approx \mathbf{A} \mathbf{G}_{(1)} (\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{B})^T \\ \mathbf{X}_{(2)} &\approx \mathbf{B} \mathbf{G}_{(2)} (\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{A})^T \\ \mathbf{X}_{(3)} &\approx \mathbf{C} \mathbf{G}_{(3)} (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{A})^T \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

For a general N -way tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$, the HOSVD can be generalized as

$$\mathcal{X} \approx \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \times_2 \mathbf{A}^{(2)} \dots \times_N \mathbf{A}^{(N)} = \llbracket \mathcal{G} ; \mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \dots, \mathbf{A}^{(N)} \rrbracket. \quad (14)$$

Expressing this elementwise gives

$$x_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N} \approx \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} \sum_{r_2=1}^{R_2} \dots \sum_{r_N=1}^{R_N} g_{r_1 r_2 \dots r_N} a_{i_1 r_1}^{(1)} a_{i_2 r_2}^{(2)} \dots a_{i_N r_N}^{(N)} \quad \text{for } i_n = 1, \dots, I_n, n = 1, \dots, N. \quad (15)$$

The matricized version is given by

$$\mathbf{X}_{(n)} \approx \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \mathbf{G}_{(n)} \left(\mathbf{A}^{(N)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{A}^{(n+1)} \otimes \mathbf{A}^{(n-1)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \right)^T, \quad (16)$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$.

The following definition of n -rank, sometimes called numerical rank or multilinear rank in some literatures, is useful for study algorithms corresponding to HOSVD.

Definition 10 (n-rank). $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ be a N -way tensor. Then the **n-rank** of \mathcal{X} , denoted by $\text{rank}_n(\mathcal{X})$, is the column rank of $\mathbf{X}_{(n)}$.

Thus, the n -rank of a tensor is the dimension of the vector space spanned by the mode- n fibers. With this terminology, if let $R_n = \text{rank}_n(\mathcal{X})$, then the tensor \mathcal{X} can be called a rank- (R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N) tensor.

Algorithms for Computing HOSVD

Common algorithms for computing the HOSVD of a given tensor \mathcal{X} include “classical” HOSVD, Sequentially Truncated HOSVD (STHOSVD), and Higher-Order Orthogonal Iteration (HOOI).

The “classical” HOSVD simply perform SVD to compute the left singular vectors of $\mathbf{X}_{(n)}$ for each n , then form the core tensor. Although this is straightforward, it is inefficient for large tensor data since performing SVD is computationally expensive.

The Sequentially Truncated HOSVD (STHOSVD) reduce the computation complexity by sequentially shrink the size of the underlying unfolding matrices used as input for SVD in each iteration. The SVD decompositions for $\mathbf{X}_{(n)}$ in “classical” HOSVD is now replaced by truncated SVD. This not only greatly enhance the speed without sacrificing the accuracy, and sometimes even gives better accuracy. However, this method does not guarantee to find the best multilinear rank approximation for a given tensor.

An alternative way to deal with the high computational complexity of “classical” HOSVD is to observe that the problem of finding the left singular vectors of can be reformulated as solving equivalent least squares problems. This type of methods has the advantage that the result output would provide numerically the best multilinear rank approximation for a tensor. The Higher-Order Orthogonal Iteration (HOOI) algorithm is developed based on this observation. If the HOSVD of the tensor $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_N}$ is given by

$$\mathbf{X} \approx \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{Q}^{(1)} \times_2 \mathbf{Q}^{(2)} \dots \times_N \mathbf{Q}^{(N)}$$

Write this in matricized form to obtain for each $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$,

$$\mathbf{X}_{(n)} \approx \mathbf{Q}^{(n)} \mathbf{G}_{(n)} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{(N)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{Q}^{(n+1)} \otimes \mathbf{Q}^{(n-1)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{Q}^{(1)} \right)^T.$$

Assume the factor matrix $\mathbf{Q}^{(n)}$ is unknown and other factor matrices are known, then $\mathbf{Q}^{(n)}$ can be computed by solving the following least square problem,

$$\mathbf{Q}^{(n)} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_n \times R_n}} \|\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \mathbf{Q}^T - \mathbf{X}_{(n)}^T\|_F^2, \quad (17)$$

where

$$\mathbf{A}^{(n)} = \left(\mathbf{Q}^{(N)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{Q}^{(n+1)} \otimes \mathbf{Q}^{(n-1)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{Q}^{(1)} \right) \mathbf{G}_{(n)}^T.$$

This is equivalent to finding the left singular vectors of the matrix $\mathbf{Z}_{(n)}$, where the corresponding tensor \mathbf{Z} is defined by

$$\mathbf{Z} := \mathbf{X} \times_{k \neq n} \left\{ \mathbf{Q}^{(k)} \right\}^T.$$

Repeat this process for each $n = 1, \dots, N$. Then compute the core tensor \mathcal{G} by solving the following equivalent least square problem

$$\mathcal{G} = \arg \min_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{R_1 \times R_2 \times \dots \times R_N}} \|\mathbf{B}\mathcal{G} - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2, \quad (18)$$

where \mathbf{g} and \mathbf{x} are vectorization of the tensors \mathcal{G} and \mathbf{X} respectively.

Remark 2. Unlike the SVD of a matrix, the HOSVD of a tensor is not guaranteed to be unique. A more detailed discussion can be found in section 4.3 of [5].

4. Randomized Algorithms for Computing HOSVD

This section summarizes some randomized algorithm for computing HOSVD discussed in [1]. The HOSVD algorithms described in the previous section has a common challenge that it is expensive to compute low-rank approximation of the unfolding matrices. In view of this issue, many algorithms are developed based on introducing randomized low-rank matrix algorithms to replace the truncated SVD or economic SVD used in HOSVD algorithms. These randomized algorithms can be mainly classified as the following four types: random projection, randomized sampling, randomized count-sketch, and randomized least-squares. There are also new algorithms, such as the Sketched alternating least-squares (ALS) proposed in [6], which combines count-sketch and random least-squares techniques.

4.1. Random Projection

The basic idea of random projection class algorithms is to approximate the column space of the unfolding matrices of a given data tensor as follows: let $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ denote the original data matrix.

1. Generate a random matrix $\mathbf{\Omega} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ with $p < n$ from some probability distribution such as Gaussian, Bernoulli or uniform distribution.
2. Compute $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{\Omega} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$.

Then this new matrix \mathbf{Y} has p column vectors randomly generated from the column space of \mathbf{X} and has fewer columns than the original \mathbf{X} .

Based on this concept, the “classical” HOSVD, STHOSVD, and HOOI can be modified by adding this techniques and gives the Random Projection HOSVD (RP-HOSVD) algorithm, the Randomized STHOSVD (R-STHOSVD) algorithm and the Random Projection HOOI (RP-HOOI) algorithm respectively. An issue of the above three randomized algorithms is that they all require passing the input data tensor multiple times. This could produce high communication costs if the data tensors are stored on multiple cores. Hence, a class of algorithms referred to as Randomized Pass-Efficient algorithms (such as R-PET) are proposed to remedy this issue.

4.2. Randomized Sampling

The main idea of this class of methods is to compute the factor matrices by sampling the columns or rows of the corresponding unfolding matrix of the input data tensor. There are many different sampling techniques that can be applied to randomly select the columns or rows. The sampling can be based on probability distributions like Gaussian distribution or uniform distribution. It is also possible to consider sampling with or without replacement. There are other techniques like sampling based on leverage score and cross-approximation that can also be applied to the sampling step of this class of algorithms. Some examples of algorithms belonging to this class are Randomized Sampling Tucker Approximation (R-ST) and Randomized Higher Order Interpolatory Decomposition (R-HOID).

4.3. Randomized Least-squares

The motivation of developing this type of algorithms is that RP-HOOI requires several multiplications of random matrices and operations of the core tensors with factor matrices. This becomes expensive if it needs many iterations to converge. This class of methods aims to reduce this cost by replacing these costly computations by some equivalent least squares problems. As shown in the previous section, computing the HOSVD of a tensor can be transformed to an equivalent optimization problem which can then be reformulated as solving some least squares problems.

4.4. Randomized Count-sketch

Similar to the idea of random projection, count-sketch also aims to generate random vectors in the column or row space spanned by the original data matrix. In random project, it requires to perform matrix multiplication of original data matrix and a random matrix. This could be expensive when coping with large data. Count-sketch attempts to cure this problem by generating the desired vectors without computing matrix multiplications. The procedure of count-sketch can be summarized into the following three steps:

1. Hashing
2. Distributing vectors with same hash numbers to the same group
3. Signing the columns and summing each group as a representative column

This kind of techniques can be applied to tensors with some proper extensions. This technique is applied in RP-HOOI to solve the underlying least squares problems.

5. Numerical Results

5.1. Datasets and Experimental Details

We used two datasets for experiments. First one is a synthetic dataset of shape $1000 \times 1000 \times 1000$ following the procedure outlined in [1]. To create the dataset, we first generate a core tensor $S \in \mathbb{R}^{1000 \times 1000 \times 1000}$, and three factor matrices $Q1 \in \mathbb{R}^{1000 \times 40}$, $Q2 \in \mathbb{R}^{1000 \times 20}$ and $Q3 \in \mathbb{R}^{1000 \times 30}$. The data tensor X was then generated by multiplying core tensor with three factor matrices.

The second dataset is a real-world video dataset. The video contains 2400 RGB frames of shape $1080 \times 1920 \times$. We converted the video to grayscale, and took the first 300 frames to generate a tensor $X \in \mathbb{R}^{300 \times 1080 \times 1920}$. To get desired level of compression, we reduced each dimension by equal factor.

The experiments were carried out in an Intel-18 instance from MSU HPCC cluster with 96GB RAM and 32 cores. All tensor decomposition algorithms were implemented in MATLAB. Python was used to modify data and plot figures.

The reconstruction performance was evaluated using reconstruction error E :

$$E = \frac{\|X - \hat{X}\|_F}{\|X\|_F},$$

where X is given data and \hat{X} is its tucker approximation.

5.2. Quantitative Results

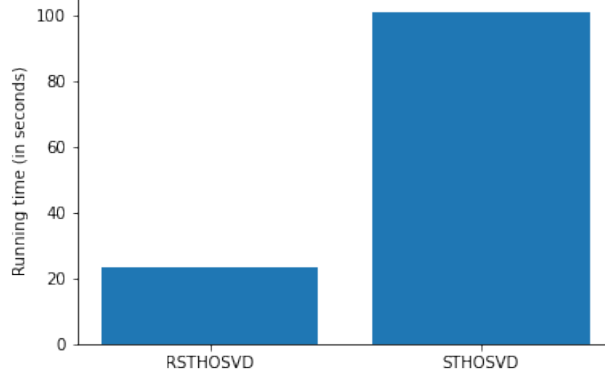


Figure 1: Randomized vs deterministic tensor decomposition.

We begin by demonstrating the computational efficiency of randomized algorithms over their deterministic counterparts. Figure 1 shows time taken by both algorithms for Video dataset. Both algorithms’ parameters were tuned such that reconstruction error $E = 1.8e - 2$. Deterministic STHOSVD took around 100 seconds to complete, whereas randomized variant RSTHOSVD took little less than 25 seconds, a $4\times$ speedup. Our experiments showed the relative speedup increases as dataset grows, so the performance difference is expected to be even higher for larger tensors.

We next show the relative performance of several randomized algorithms we implemented using the synthetic dataset. As Figure 2 shows, the performance is comparable among the algorithms, RPHOSVD has a slight edge over others.

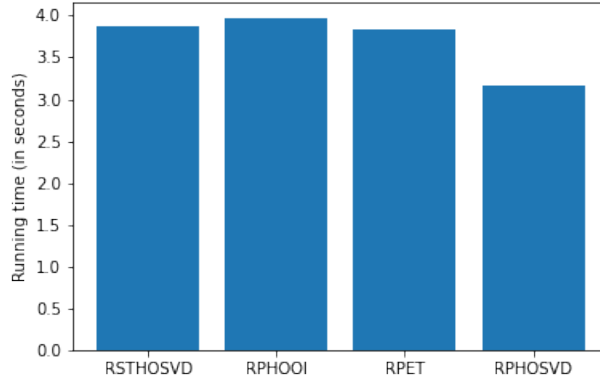


Figure 2: Performance of random tensor decomposition algorithms.

Lastly, the reconstruction and computational performance of all algorithms, including deterministic STHOSVD are presented in table 1.

Method	Time Taken	Reconstruction Error
STHOSVD	3.27	3.42e-15
RSTHOSVD	3.8	1.27e-12
RPHOOI	3.97	1.18e-14
RPET	3.83	1.543e-10
RPHOSVD	3.16	1.00e-13

Table 1: Relative error and time comparison of different algorithms using synthetic data.

5.3. Qualitative Results

We show the reconstruction performance on 50th frame of our video dataset in Figure 3. This is a grayscale image of grass and a wall. We can both STHOSVD and RSTHOSVD well reconstructs the image. The randomized RSTHOSVD had compressed the data 5 times compared to deterministic STHOSVD, at the expense of some fidelity.



Figure 3: Left: Original image. Middle: reconstructed from STHOSVD, Right: Reconstruction from RSTHOSVD.

Next we compare the images at different compression level. As expected, higher level of compression lead to greater loss of fidelity in left image.



Figure 4: Left: 64x compression of data. Right: 8x compression of data. Both using RSTHOSVD.

6. Conclusion

In this paper, we studied randomized algorithms for tensor decomposition, a critical tool in big data analytics. We studied, implemented, and evaluated 4 such algorithms.

Our experiments show that randomized algorithms were significantly faster than deterministic ones, and that relative speedup only grows larger as dataset size increases. For smaller datasets though, as we saw for synthetic dataset, computation time was essentially same. We also demonstrated that often using few ranks i.e. order of magnitude compression, our methods were successful in reconstructing original data from their low-rank approximation.

There are ways to extend and explore the theme of this study. One idea is to apply this in new interesting application areas: for example to compress deep neural networks [2]. Many real-world datasets can't be handled in one system. Relatively larger dataset could also be used to evaluate the algorithms on multi-node system to gauge how communication-efficient they are. We also expect to see significant speedup by porting these algorithms to GPU and other accelerators. We leave these for future works.

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