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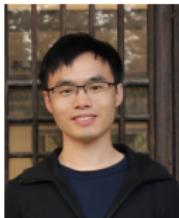
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# Low-Rank Matrix and Tensor Factorization for Speed Field Reconstruction

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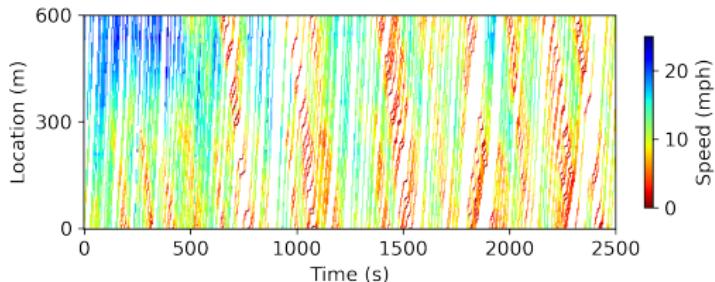
# Outline

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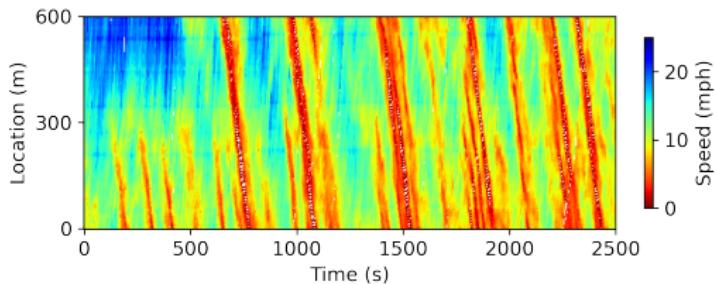
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# Motivation

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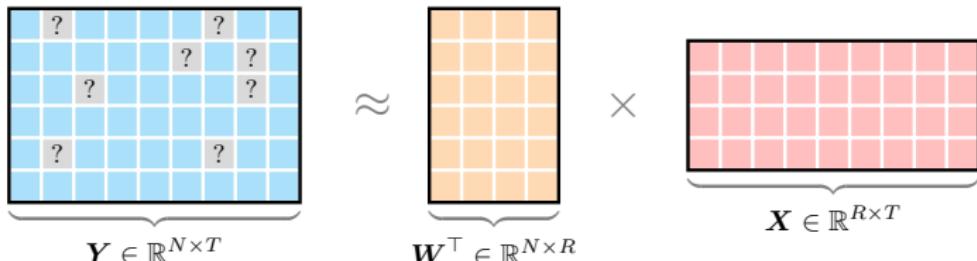
↓ Reconstruct speed field  
from sparse trajectories?



# Matrix Factorization

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- Spatiotemporal data can be reconstructed by low-dimensional latent factors!



- MF optimization problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{X}} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{X}) \right\|_F^2 + \frac{\rho}{2} (\|\mathbf{W}\|_F^2 + \|\mathbf{X}\|_F^2)$$

with factor matrices  $\mathbf{W}$  and  $\mathbf{X}$ .

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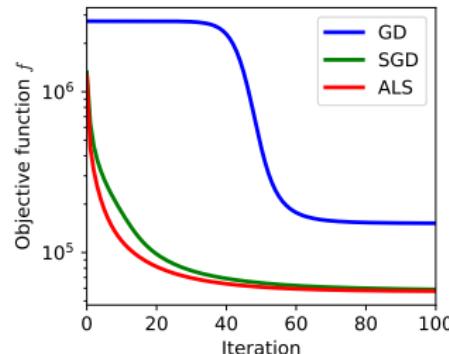
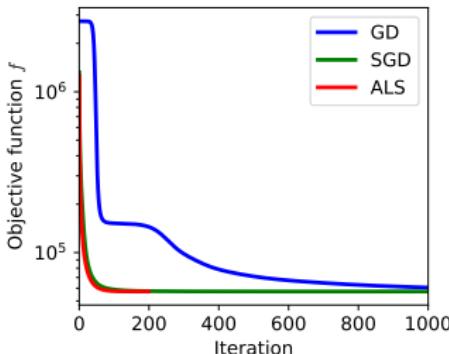
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- Alternating least squares (**ALS**)

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{w}_i := \left( \sum_{t:(i,t) \in \Omega} \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_t^\top + \rho \mathbf{I}_R \right)^{-1} \sum_{t:(i,t) \in \Omega} \mathbf{x}_t y_{i,t} \\ \mathbf{x}_t := \left( \sum_{i:(i,t) \in \Omega} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top + \rho \mathbf{I}_R \right)^{-1} \sum_{i:(i,t) \in \Omega} \mathbf{w}_i y_{i,t} \end{cases}$$

# Matrix Factorization

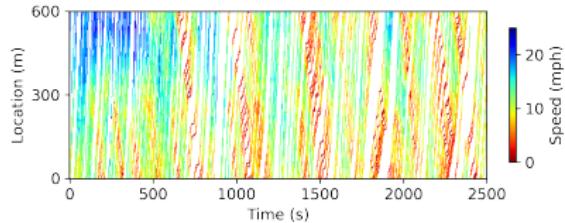
- Objective function  $f$  vs. iteration
  - Rank  $R = 10$ , weight parameter  $\rho = 10$ ;
  - GD step size  $\alpha = 10^{-4}$ .



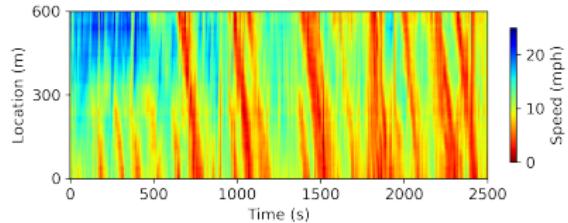
- Reconstruction errors

$$\text{MAPE} = \begin{cases} 50.66\% & (\text{GD}) \\ 45.13\% & (\text{SGD}) \\ 45.84\% & (\text{ALS}) \end{cases}$$

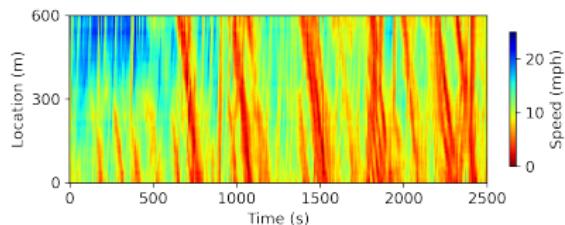
$$\text{RMSE} = \begin{cases} 2.33 & (\text{GD}) \\ 2.79 & (\text{SGD}) \quad (\text{mph}) \\ 2.80 & (\text{ALS}) \end{cases}$$



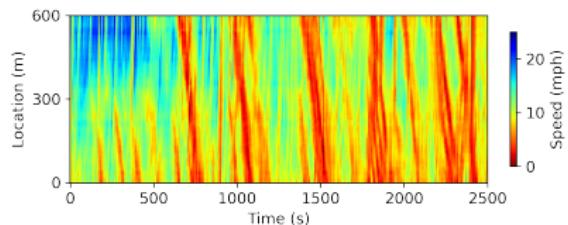
**Sparse speed field**



**MF with GD**



**MF with SGD**

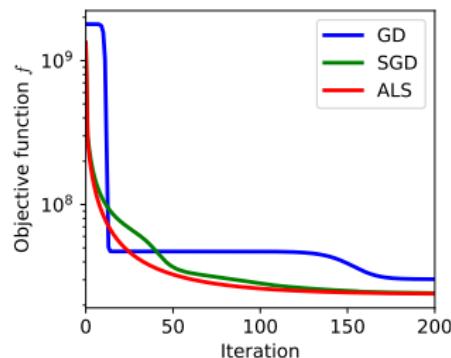
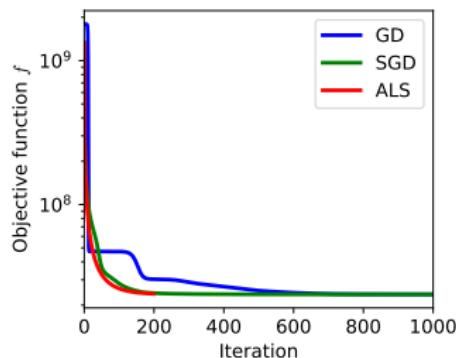


**MF with ALS**

# Matrix Factorization

**Seattle freeway speed dataset** (randomly generate 60% missing values)

- Objective function  $f$  vs. iteration
  - Rank  $R = 10$ , weight parameter  $\rho = 10^2$ ;
  - GD step size  $\alpha = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ .



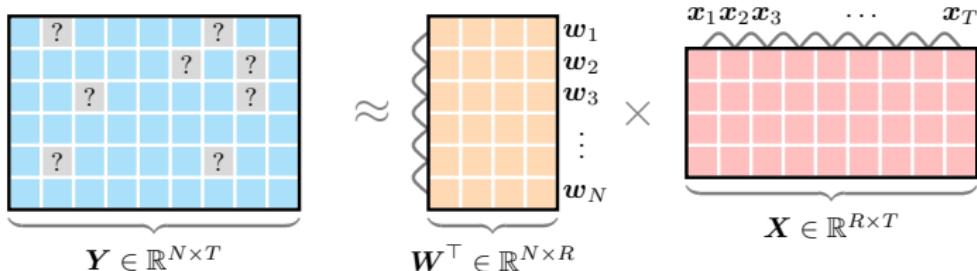
- Reconstruction errors

$$\text{MAPE} = \begin{cases} 9.14\% & (\text{GD}) \\ 9.12\% & (\text{SGD}) \\ 9.13\% & (\text{ALS}) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{RMSE} = \begin{cases} 5.24 & (\text{GD}) \\ 5.24 & (\text{SGD}) \quad (\text{mph}) \\ 5.24 & (\text{ALS}) \end{cases}$$

# Smoothing Matrix Factorization

- Spatial/temporal local dependencies are also important!



- Spatial/temporal smoothing

$$\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{W}\Psi_1^\top & \text{with } \Psi_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{(N-1) \times N} \\ \mathbf{X}\Psi_2^\top & \text{with } \Psi_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{(T-1) \times T} \end{cases}$$

# Smoothing Matrix Factorization

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- SMF optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{X}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{X}) \right\|_F^2 + \frac{\rho}{2} (\|\mathbf{W}\|_F^2 + \|\mathbf{X}\|_F^2) \\ & + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\|\mathbf{W} \Psi_1^\top\|_F^2 + \|\mathbf{X} \Psi_2^\top\|_F^2) \end{aligned}$$

- Partial derivatives

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{W}} = -\mathbf{X} \mathcal{P}_\Omega^\top (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{X}) + \rho \mathbf{W} + \lambda \mathbf{W} \Psi_1^\top \Psi_1 \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = -\mathbf{W} \mathcal{P}_\Omega (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{X}) + \rho \mathbf{X} + \lambda \mathbf{X} \Psi_2^\top \Psi_2 \end{cases}$$

- Alternating minimization

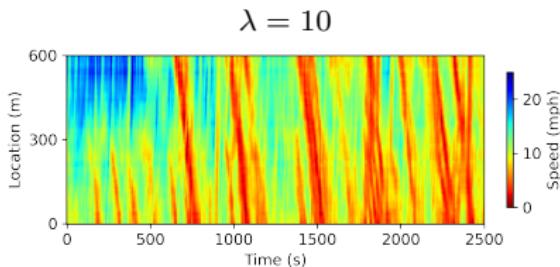
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- Solving each matrix equation by the **conjugate gradient** method.

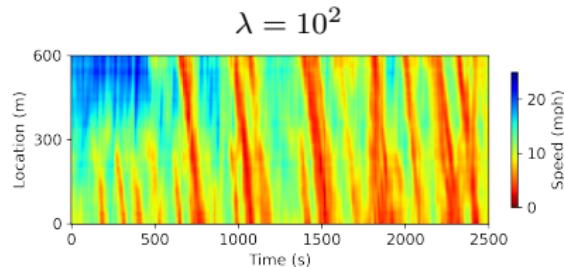
# Smoothing Matrix Factorization

- Speed field reconstruction
  - Rank  $R = 10$ , weight parameter  $\rho = 10$ .
  - Recall that the reconstruction errors of MF:

$$\text{MAPE} = \begin{cases} 50.66\% & (\text{GD}) \\ 45.13\% & (\text{SGD}) \\ 45.84\% & (\text{ALS}) \end{cases} \quad \text{RMSE} = \begin{cases} 2.33 & (\text{GD}) \\ 2.79 & (\text{SGD}) \quad (\text{mph}) \\ 2.80 & (\text{ALS}) \end{cases}$$



MAPE = 44.06%, RMSE = 2.16mph



MAPE = 48.00%, RMSE = 1.60mph

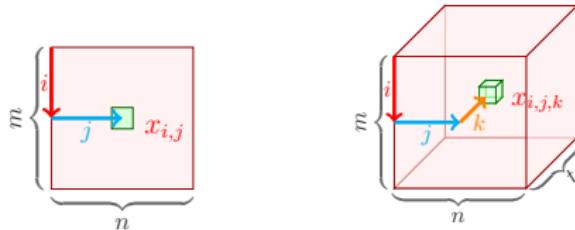
## Temporal Matrix Factorization

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# Tensor Factorization

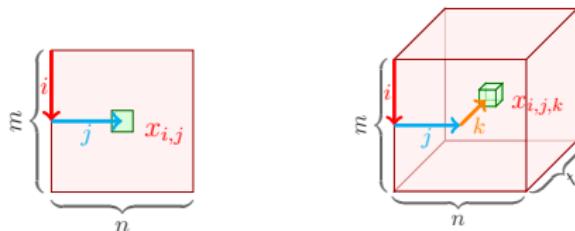
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- What is tensor?  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  vs.  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n \times t}$

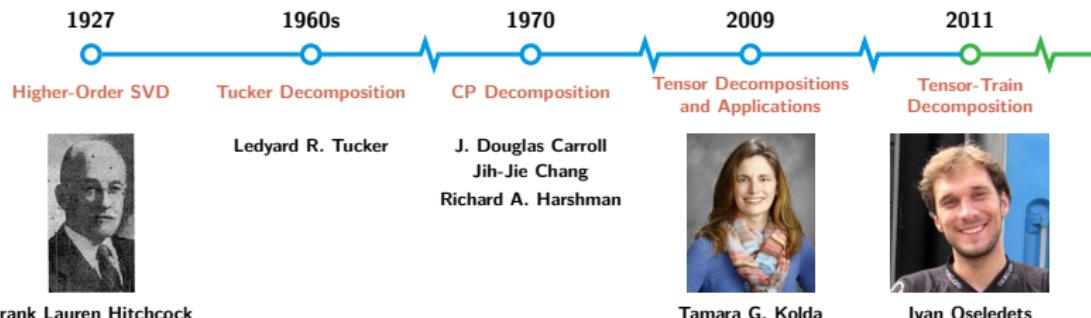


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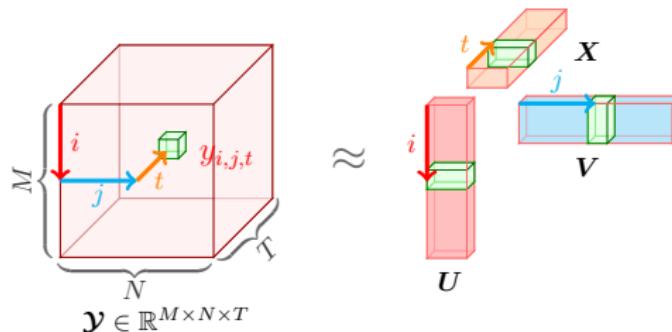


- Revisit tensor factorization



# CP Tensor Factorization

- Factorize  $\mathcal{Y}$  into the combination of three rank- $R$  factor matrices (i.e., low-dimensional latent factors).



- Understanding CP factorization<sup>1</sup>:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_{i,j,t} \approx \sum_{r=1}^R u_{i,r} v_{j,r} x_{t,r} \quad (\text{sum of latent factors}) \\ \mathcal{Y} \approx \sum_{r=1}^R \mathbf{u}_r \otimes \mathbf{v}_r \otimes \mathbf{x}_r \quad (\text{sum of rank-one tensors}) \end{array} \right.$$

<sup>1</sup>The symbol  $\otimes$  denotes the outer product.

# Hankel Tensor and Its Factorization

- Hankel matrix

- Given  $\mathbf{y} = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)^\top$  and window length  $\tau = 3$ , we have

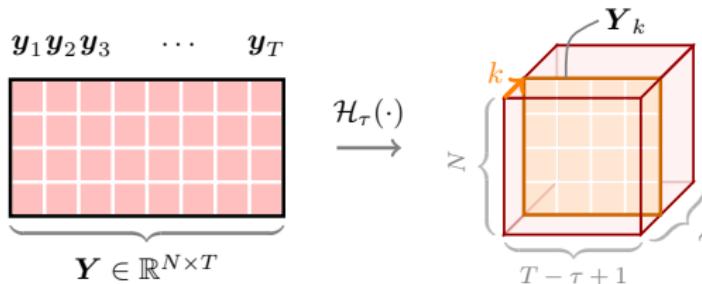
$$\mathcal{H}_\tau(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 3}$$

- (Hankelization) Hankel tensor  $\mathcal{H}_\tau(\mathbf{Y})$

- Tensor size:  $N \times (T - \tau + 1) \times \tau$ ;

- Slices:  $\mathbf{Y}_k = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ \mathbf{y}_k & \mathbf{y}_{k+1} & \cdots & \mathbf{y}_{T-\tau+k} \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}, k = 1, 2, \dots, \tau$ ;

- Slice size  $N \times (T - \tau + 1)$ .



# Hankel Tensor and Its Factorization

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- HTF optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{X}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathcal{P}_\Omega \left( \mathcal{H}_\tau(\mathbf{Y}) - \sum_{r=1}^R \mathbf{u}_r \otimes \mathbf{v}_r \otimes \mathbf{x}_r \right) \right\|_F^2 \\ & + \frac{\rho}{2} (\|\mathbf{U}\|_F^2 + \|\mathbf{V}\|_F^2 + \|\mathbf{X}\|_F^2) \end{aligned}$$

- HTF's advantage/disadvantage over MF
  - Advantage: automatic temporal modeling, domain knowledge
  - Disadvantage: high memory consumption
- Speed field reconstruction
  - Rank  $R = 10$ , weight parameter  $\rho = 10$ .

## More Material

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- Slides:
- NGSIM speed field data:
- Seattle freeway traffic speed data:
- Jupyter Notebook:
- LaTeX drawing:
- ...