# **PROVABLE ONLINE CP/PARAFAC DECOMPOSITION OF** A STRUCTURED TENSOR VIA DICTIONARY LEARNING

## **OVERVIEW**

We consider the problem of factorizing a structured 3-way tensor into its constituent Canonical Polyadic (CP) factors. This decomposition, which can be viewed as a generalization of singular value decomposition (SVD) for tensors, reveals how the tensor dimensions (features) interact with each other.



Since the factors are a priori unknown, the corresponding optimization problems are inherently non-convex. The existing guaranteed algorithms which handle this non-convexity **incur an irreducible error (bias)**, and only apply to cases where all factors have the same structure.

Under some relatively mild conditions on initialization, rank, and sparsity,



A Dictionary Learning Problem!





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ppropria and the f imate of hich is (c <sub>0</sub> ,	te initial estimate $A^{(0)}$ of $A$ , and parameters actor (timates $B^{(0)}$ and $C^{(1)}$ (corresponding to the $A$ , $B^{(t)}$ , and $C^{(t)}$ at each iteration t 2)-near to $A^{(t)}$ for $e_0 = O^{(1/\log(n))}$	herence of $\mathbf{A}^{(t)}$ and sparsity of $\mathbf{B}^{(t)}$ and $\mathbf{C}^{(t)}$ , with probab least $(1 - \delta_{alg})$ for some small constant $\delta_{alg}$ the estimate $\hat{\mathbf{X}}^{(t)}$ iteration has the correct signed-support and satisfies						
fficients) ( <sup>(I)T</sup> V) <b>he spars</b>	e matrix X for the current iterate	$(\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i,j}^{(t)} - \mathbf{X}_{i,j}^{*(t)})^2 \le \zeta^2 := \mathcal{O}$	$\mathcal{P}(s(1-\omega)^{t/2} \  \mathbf{A}_i^{(0)} - \mathbf{A}_i^* \ ), \forall (0)$	$i, j) \in supp($				
erative Hard Thresholding (2) (3) Rao Product Structure: Recover B <sup>(t)</sup> and C <sup>(t)</sup> given X Lue Decomposition-based Algorithm (4) the incoherent factor A based on X proximate Gradient Descent		Consequently, UntangleKRP recovers the supports of the factors $\mathbf{B}^{*(t)}$ and $\mathbf{C}^{*(t)}$ correctly, and $\ \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{i}^{(t)} - \mathbf{B}_{i}^{*(t)}\ _{2} \le \epsilon_{B}$ and $\mathbf{C}_{i}^{*(t)}\ _{2} \le \epsilon_{C}$ , where $\epsilon_{B} = \epsilon_{C} = \mathcal{O}(\frac{\zeta^{2}}{\alpha\beta})$ . Furthermore, the estimate $\mathbf{A}^{(t)}$ at <i>t</i> -th iteration satisfies $\ \mathbf{A}_{i}^{(t)} - \mathbf{A}_{i}^{*}\ ^{2} \le (1 - \omega)^{t}\ \mathbf{A}_{i}^{(0)} - \mathbf{A}_{i}^{*}\ ^{2}$ , $\forall t = 1, 2,$ for some $0 < \omega < 1/2$ .						
of A*	<b>Properties of Sparse Factors</b>	Appropriate Initialization	Sparsity	Paramete				
<b>A</b> * ntly ut″	Two sources of randomness: Location of the non-zero entries (Support) and, Values taken by the non-zero entri	$\ \mathbf{A}^{(0)} - \mathbf{A}^*\  \le 2\ \mathbf{A}^*\ $ $\ \mathbf{A}_i^{(0)} - \mathbf{A}_i^*\  \le \epsilon_0$	$\alpha \beta = \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{n}/m\mu \log(n))$ for $m = \Omega(\log(\min(J, K))/\alpha\beta)$	Approp chosen s and thr				

### **DEALING WITH THE KRONECKER DEPENDENCE STRUCTURE: DETAILS**

Values taken by the non-zero entries

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#### EXPERIMENTS

#### **Synthetic Data**

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Fig. 2: Number of Iterations as a Surrogate for Sample Requirement to Reach a Target Tolerance of 10<sup>-10</sup>



Take-away: TensorNOODL achieves orders of magnitude better performance, recovering the factors at a linear rate, while also providing guarantees on recovery of ALL factors!

# **Real-World Data**

Fig. 3: NBA Shot-Pattern Analysis 100 Players, 27 Weeks from 2018-19

(a) Element 4 Corresponding Player





0.4668

(b) Element 5 ts ent 6 334

(c) Element 6

Sparse factor (Players) Coefficient							
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https://github.com/srambhatla/TensorNOODL

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