

# Tensor Ring Decomposition

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# Tensor train decomposition

- External dimension:  $\vec{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_d)$ .
- Internal dimension:  $\vec{r} = (r_1, \dots, r_{d-1})$ .
- $\bar{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d := \times_{i=1}^d \mathbb{R}^{r_{i-1} \times n_i \times r_i}$ , where  $r_0 = r_d = 1$ .
- $\vec{\mathbf{u}} = (\mathbf{u}^{[1]}, \dots, \mathbf{u}^{[d]}) \in \bar{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d$ .
- $\tau : \times_{i=1}^d \mathbb{R}^{r_{i-1} \times n_i \times r_i} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \cdots \times n_d}$ .
- $\tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}})(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \mathbf{u}^{[1]}(x_1) \mathbf{u}^{[2]}(x_2) \cdots \mathbf{u}^{[d]}(x_d)$ , where  $\mathbf{u}^{[i]}(x_i) = \mathbf{u}^{[i]}(:, x_i, :)$ .
- $\tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}}) = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_d} \mathbf{u}_{k_1}^{[1]} \otimes \mathbf{u}_{k_1, k_2}^{[2]} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{u}_{k_{d-2}, k_{d-1}}^{[d-1]} \otimes \mathbf{u}_{k_{d-1}}^{[d]}$ , where  $\mathbf{u}_{k_1, k_2}^{[i]} := \mathbf{u}^{[i]}(k_1, :, k_2)$ .

# Tensor train decomposition

- Gauge freedom (gauge invariance)
- $\vec{A} = (A_1, \dots, A_{d-1})$ , where  $A_i \in \text{GL}(r_i, \mathbb{R})$ .
- $\theta_{\vec{A}}(\vec{\mathbf{u}}) = \vec{\mathbf{v}} = (\mathbf{v}^{[1]}, \mathbf{v}^{[2]}, \dots, \mathbf{v}^{[d]})$ .
- $\mathbf{v}^{[1]}(x_1) = \mathbf{u}^{[1]}(x_1)A_1$ ,  $\mathbf{v}^{[i]}(x_i) = A_{i-1}^{-1}\mathbf{u}^{[i]}(x_i)A_i$ ,  
 $\mathbf{v}^{[d]}(x_d) = A_{d-1}^{-1}\mathbf{u}^{[d]}(x_d)$ .
- $\mathcal{M}_{\vec{\mathbf{u}}} = \left\{ \theta_{\vec{A}}(\vec{\mathbf{u}}) \mid \vec{A} \in \times_{i=1}^{d-1} \text{GL}(r_i, \mathbb{R}) \right\}$ .

## Proposition (Rohwedder and Uschmajew, 2013)

Given  $\vec{\mathbf{u}} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d$ , the TT-rank of  $\tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}})$  is  $\vec{r}$  if and only if

$$\tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}}) = \tau(\vec{\mathbf{v}}), \quad \vec{\mathbf{v}} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d \iff \theta_{\vec{A}}(\vec{\mathbf{u}}) = \vec{\mathbf{v}} \text{ for some } \vec{A} \in \times_{i=1}^{d-1} \text{GL}(r_i, \mathbb{R}).$$

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- $\min_{\vec{\mathbf{u}} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d} f(\vec{\mathbf{u}}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{T} - \tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}})\|_F^2.$

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**Algorithm 1** Alternating Least Square (ALS) Algorithm for TT Format

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**Require:** Target  $d$ -th order tensor  $\mathbf{T}$  and initial tensor train  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0$ .

**for**  $\ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  **do**

**for**  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$  **do**

        Perform an ALS microstep (quadratic least square problem):

$$\mathbf{u}_{\ell+1}^{[i]} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{v}} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathbf{T} - \tau(\mathbf{u}_{\ell+1}^{[1]}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{\ell+1}^{[i-1]}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}_{\ell}^{[i+1]}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{\ell}^{[d]}) \right\|_F^2$$

**end for**

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# Tensor train decomposition

## Theorem (Rohwedder and Uschmajew, 2013)

*Suppose that the TT-rank of  $\mathbf{T}$  is  $\vec{r}$ . Then as long as  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0$  is not in some measure-zero set,  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}_1$  computed by ALS satisfies that  $\mathbf{T} = \tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}}_1)$ .*

- One-sweep convergence.
- Bond dimension:  $\max\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_{d-1}\}$ .
- Consider  $\vec{r} = (r, \dots, r)$  for simplicity.
- If the bond dimension of the optimization problem is large enough, the problem can be solved by ALS trivially and the energy landscape is good enough (no (stable) spurious local minima).
- If the bond dimension of the optimization problem is strictly smaller than that of the target tensor, there may exist some spurious local minima.

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- $\vec{\mathbf{u}} = (\mathbf{u}^{[1]}, \dots, \mathbf{u}^{[d]}) \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d$ .
- $\tau : \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \cdots \times n_d}$ .
- $\tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}})(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{u}^{[1]}(x_1)\mathbf{u}^{[2]}(x_2) \cdots \mathbf{u}^{[d]}(x_d))$ , where  $\mathbf{u}^{[i]}(x_i) = \mathbf{u}^{[i]}(:, x_i, :)$ .
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# Tensor ring decomposition

- Some difficulties with tensor ring format:
- TR-rank is not unique (Ye and Lim, 2018).
- It is not clear when it holds that  $\tau(\vec{\mathbf{v}}) = \tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}})$  if and only if  $\vec{\mathbf{v}} = \theta_{\vec{\mathbf{A}}}(\vec{\mathbf{u}})$  for some  $\vec{\mathbf{A}} \in \times_{i=1}^d \text{GL}(r_i, \mathbb{R})$ .
- $\mathcal{R}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d = \tau(\vec{\mathcal{U}}_{\vec{r}, \vec{n}}^d)$  is not closed (Landsberg et al., 2012).

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**Algorithm 2** Alternating Least Square (ALS) Algorithm for TR Format

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# Tensor ring decomposition

- $\mathbf{T} = \tau(\vec{\mathbf{w}}) = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_d=1}^r \mathbf{w}_{k_1, k_2}^{[1]} \otimes \mathbf{w}_{k_2, k_3}^{[2]} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{w}_{k_d, k_1}^{[d]} \in \mathcal{R}_{r, \vec{n}}^d.$
- $\min_{\vec{\mathbf{u}} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{m, \vec{n}}^d} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{T} - \tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}})\|_F^2.$
- $m = r^{d-1}$
- $\dim \text{span} \left\{ \mathbf{w}_{k_1, k_2}^{[i]} : 1 \leq k_1, k_2 \leq r \right\} \leq r^2.$
- $n_i \geq r^2.$
- $\overline{\mathcal{W}}_{r, \vec{n}}^d := \left\{ \vec{\mathbf{w}} \in \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{r, \vec{n}}^d \mid \mathbf{w}_{k_1, k_2}^{[i]}(s) = 0, \forall 1 \leq i \leq d, 1 \leq k_1, k_2 \leq r, s \geq r^2 + 1 \right\}.$

## Theorem (C-Li-Lu, 2020)

*There exists  $\Omega_1 \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{W}}_{r,\bar{n}}^d$  with  $\mu(\Omega_1) = 0$ , such that for any  $\vec{\mathbf{w}} \in \overline{\mathcal{W}}_{r,\bar{n}}^d \setminus \Omega_1$  and  $\mathbf{T} = \tau(\vec{\mathbf{w}})$ , there exists  $\Omega_2 \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{U}}_{m,\bar{n}}^d$  with  $\mu(\Omega_2) = 0$ , such that ALS converges to the global minimum in  $d$  microsteps as long as the initial point  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0$  is not in  $\Omega_2$ .*

- One-Loop Convergence.
- The method for proving that a set is of zero measure is to establish the equivalence between the set and the set of roots of a polynomial, since the measure of the root set of a non-zero polynomial is zero.

# Tensor ring decomposition

- Denote  $\vec{\mathbf{u}} = \vec{\mathbf{u}}_0$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{v}} = \vec{\mathbf{v}}_0$ .
- Suppose that we have the desired full-rank properties for  $\vec{\mathbf{w}}$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}$ .
- Set  $\mathbb{X}_i := \text{span} \left\{ \mathbf{w}_{k_1, k_2}^{[i]} : k_1, k_2 = 1, 2, \dots, r \right\}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$ .
- Denote  $\mathbb{P}_i$  as the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathbb{X}_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$ .
- $\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{T} - \tau(\mathbf{x}^{[1]}, \mathbf{u}^{[2]}, \dots, \mathbf{u}^{[d]})\|_F^2 \geq \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{T} - \tau(\mathbb{P}_1(\mathbf{x}^{[1]}), \mathbf{u}^{[2]}, \dots, \mathbf{u}^{[d]})\|_F^2$ .
- $\mathbf{v}_{k_1, k_2}^{[1]} \in \mathbb{X}_1, \quad \forall k_1, k_2 = 1, 2, \dots, m$ .
- $\mathbf{v}_{k_1, k_2}^{[i]} \in \mathbb{X}_i, \quad \forall k_1, k_2 = 1, 2, \dots, m, \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, d - 1$ .

# Tensor Ring Decomposition: One-Loop Convergence

- $m^2 = r^{2(d-1)} \geq \prod_{k=1}^{d-1} \dim(\mathbb{X}_k) = \dim(\mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{X}_{d-1})$ .
- $\sum_{\substack{k_2, \dots, k_{d-1}=1 \\ k_1, k_d = 1, \dots, m}}^m \mathbf{v}_{k_1, k_2}^{[1]} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{v}_{k_{d-1}, k_d}^{[d-1]} \in \mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{X}_{d-1}$ , for any
- $\text{span} \left\{ \sum_{k_2, \dots, k_{d-1}=1}^m \mathbf{v}_{k_1, k_2}^{[1]} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{v}_{k_{d-1}, k_d}^{[d-1]} : k_1, k_d = 1, \dots, m \right\} = \mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{X}_{d-1}$ .
- $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{X}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{X}_{d-1} \otimes \mathbb{R}^{n_d}$ .
- There exists  $\mathbf{v}^{[d]}$  such that  $\tau(\mathbf{v}^{[1]}, \dots, \mathbf{v}^{[d-1]}, \mathbf{v}^{[d]}) = \mathbf{T}$ .

# Tensor ring decomposition

- $\vec{r} = r$  and  $\vec{n} = n = r^2 + 1$ .
- $\pi(a_1, \dots, a_\ell) = (a_1 - 1)r^{\ell-1} + \dots + (a_{\ell-1} - 1)r + a_\ell$ .
- $\mathbf{T} = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_d=1}^r \left( \bigotimes_{i=1}^d e_{\pi(k_{i+1}, k_i)} \right) + \bigotimes_{i=1}^d e_n \in \mathcal{R}_{r+1, n}^d$ .
- $\min_{\vec{\mathbf{u}} \in \mathcal{U}_{r^{d-1}, n}^d} f(\vec{\mathbf{u}}) := \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{T} - \tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}})\|_F^2$

## Theorem (C-Li-Lu, 2020)

For  $d \geq 3$ ,  $\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0 \in \mathcal{U}_{r^{d-1}, n}^d$  defined via

$\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0 = (\mathbf{u}^{[1]}, \mathbf{u}^{[2]}, \dots, \mathbf{u}^{[d]})$  with,

$$\mathbf{u}_{\pi(p_1, \dots, p_{d-1}), \pi(q_1, \dots, q_{d-1})}^{[i]} = \delta_{p_1 q_1} \cdots \delta_{p_{i-1} q_{i-1}} \delta_{p_{i+1} q_{i+1}} \cdots \delta_{p_{d-1} q_{d-1}} e_{\pi(p_i, q_i)}, \text{ and,}$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{\pi(p_1, \dots, p_{d-1}), \pi(q_1, \dots, q_{d-1})}^{[d]} = \delta_{p_2 q_1} \cdots \delta_{p_{d-1} q_{d-2}} e_{\pi(p_1, q_{d-1})},$$

is a local minimum of  $f$  and  $f(\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

# Tensor ring decomposition

$$\sum_{k_2, \dots, k_{d-1}=1}^m \mathbf{u}_{\pi(p_1, \dots, p_{d-1}), k_2}^{[1]} \otimes \mathbf{u}_{k_2, k_3}^{[2]} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{u}_{k_{d-2}, k_{d-3}}^{[d-2]} \otimes \mathbf{u}_{k_{d-1}, \pi(q_1, \dots, q_{d-1})}^{[d-1]}$$
$$= \mathbf{e}_{\pi(p_1, q_1)} \otimes \mathbf{e}_{\pi(p_2, q_2)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{e}_{\pi(p_{d-1}, q_{d-1})}.$$

- Full-rankness.
- $\tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0) = \sum_{k_1, \dots, k_d=1}^r \left( \bigotimes_{i=1}^d \mathbf{e}_{\pi(k_{i+1}, k_i)} \right)$ .
- $\tau(\vec{\mathbf{u}}_0)$  is orthogonal to  $\bigotimes_{i=1}^d \mathbf{e}_n$ .

# Tensor Ring: Decomposition and “Compression”

## Spurious Local Minima

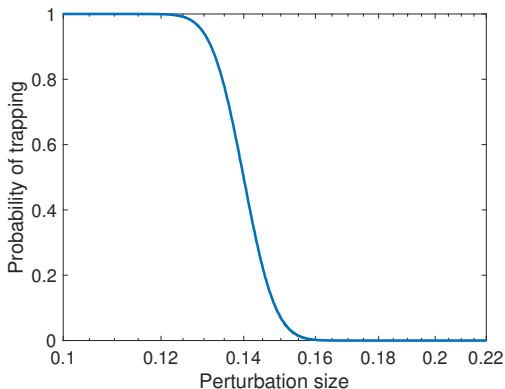


Figure: The stability of the spurious local minimum (C-Li-Lu, 2020)

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