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Nonnegative Tensor Factorization using a proximal algorithm: application to 3D fluorescence spectroscopy

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Coumpounds characterisation









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Tensor

What is a tensor?

An *N*th-order tensor is represented by an *N*-way array in a chosen basis.

Example:

- \triangleright N = 1: a vector.
- \triangleright N = 2: a matrix.

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Third-order tensors

A special case: nonnegative third-order tensors (N = 3)

$$\overline{\mathcal{T}} = (\overline{t}_{i_1 i_2 i_3})_{i_1, i_2, i_3} \in \mathbb{R}^{+I_1 \times I_2 \times I_3}.$$

► The Canonical Polyadic (CP) decomposition:



$$\bar{t}_{i_1i_2i_3} = \sum_{r=1}^{\bar{R}} \bar{a}_{i_1r}^{(1)} \bar{a}_{i_2r}^{(2)} \bar{a}_{i_3r}^{(3)}, \quad \forall (i_1, i_2, i_3)$$

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Standard operations

• Outer product: let $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{I}$, $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{J}$,

$$\boxed{\mathbf{u} \circ \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}^\top} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$$

► Khatri-Rao product: let $\mathbf{U} = [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_J] \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$ and $\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_J] \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times J}$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{U}_{\odot}\mathbf{V} = [\mathbf{u}_1 \otimes \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{u}_2 \otimes \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_J \otimes \mathbf{v}_J]} \in \mathbb{R}^{IK \times J}.$$

where $\mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{v} = [u_1 \mathbf{v}; \dots; u_I \mathbf{v}] \in \mathbb{R}^{IK}$ (Kronecker product). Hadamard division: let $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$, $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$,

$$\boxed{\mathbf{U} \otimes \mathbf{V} = (u_{ij}/v_{ij})_{i,j}} \in \mathbb{R}^{I \times J}$$

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Tensor flattening: example

Objective: to handle matrices instead of tensors.





Experiment

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Objective: tensor decomposition

► Input:

- ► Observed tensor T: observation of an original (unknown) tensor T possibly degraded (noise).
- Output:
 - Estimated loading matrices $\widehat{\mathbf{A}}^{(n)}$ for all $n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$
- Difficulty:
 - ▶ Rank \overline{R} unknown (*i.e.* $\widehat{R} \neq \overline{R}$): generally i) estimated or ii) overestimated.

Proposed approach

Formulate the problem under a variational approach.

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Minimization problem

Standard problem:



► Taking into account several regularizations (*J* terms):

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{J} \mathcal{R}_j(\mathbf{x})$$

► For large size problem or for other reasons, can be interesting to work on data blocks $\mathbf{x}^{(j)}$ of size L_j ($\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{x}^{(j)})_{1 \le j \le J}$)

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{J} \mathcal{R}_j(\mathbf{x}^{(j)})$$

Technical assumptions: \mathcal{F} , \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{R}_j are proper lower semi-continuous functions. \mathcal{F} is differentiable with a β -Lipschitz gradient. \mathcal{R}_j is assumed to be bounded from below by an affine function, and its restriction to its domain is continuous.

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Proximity operator

 let φ : ℝ →]−∞, +∞] be a proper lower semi-continuous function. The proximity operator is defined as

$$\operatorname{prox}_{\varphi} \colon \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \colon v \mapsto \arg\min_{u \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{2} \left\| u - v \right\|^2 + \varphi(u),$$

 let φ : ℝ^L →]−∞, +∞] be a proper lower semi-continuous function. The proximity operator associated with a Symmetric Positive Definite (SPD) matrix **P** is defined as

$$\mathrm{prox}_{\mathbf{P},\varphi} \colon \mathbb{R}^L \to \mathbb{R}^L \colon \mathbf{v} \mapsto \arg\min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^L} \frac{1}{2} \left\| \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} \right\|_{\mathbf{P}}^2 + \varphi(\mathbf{u}),$$

where $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^L$, $\|x\|_P^2 = \langle x, Px \rangle$ and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the inner product.

Remark : Note that if **P** reduces to the identity matrix, then the two definitions coincides.

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Criterion to be minimized

$$\underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{L}}{\text{minimize}} \ \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}) \quad + \sum_{j=1}^{J} \mathcal{R}_{j}(\mathbf{x}^{(j)})$$

Some solutions (non exhaustive list, CPD oriented):

- Proximal Alternating Linearized Minimization (PALM) [Bolte et al., 2014]
- A Block Coordinate Descent Method for both CPD and Tucker decomposition [Xu and Yin, 2013]
- ► An accelerated projection gradient based algorithm [Zhang et al., 2016]
- Block-Coordinate Variable Metric Forward-Backward (BC-VMFB) algorithm [Chouzenoux et al., 2016]

Advantages of the BC-VMFB: flexible, stable, integrates preconditionning, relatively fast.

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Block coordinate proximal algorithm

- 1: Let $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathsf{dom}\mathcal{R}, k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\gamma_k \in]0, +\infty[$ // Initialization step
- 2: for k = 0, 1, ... do // k-th iteration of the algorithm
- 3: Let $j_k \in \{1, ..., J\}$ // Processing of block number j_k (chosen, here, according to a quasi cyclic rule)
- 4: Let $\mathbf{P}_{j_k}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ be a SPD matrix // Construction of the preconditioner $\mathbf{P}_{j_k}(\mathbf{x}_k)$
- 5: Let $\nabla_{j_k} \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ be the Gradient // Calculation of Gradient
- 6: $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{k}^{(j_{k})} = \mathbf{x}_{k}^{(j_{k})} \gamma_{k} \mathbf{P}_{j_{k}}(\mathbf{x}_{k})^{-1} \nabla_{j_{k}} \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_{k})$ // Updating of block j_{k} according to a Gradient step
- 7: $\mathbf{x}_{k+1}^{(j_k)} \in \operatorname{prox}_{\gamma_k^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{j_k}(\mathbf{x}_k), \mathcal{R}_{j_k}}\left(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_k^{(j_k)}\right)$ // Updating of block j_k according to a <u>Proximal step</u>

8:
$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1}^{j_k} = \mathbf{x}_k^{j_k}$$
 where $\overline{j} = \{1, ..., J\} \setminus \{j\}$ // Other blocks are kept unchanged

9: end for

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Prox for CP decomposition

CP decomposition: decompose a tensor into a (minimal) sum of rank-1 terms.

Order 3:

$$\overline{\mathcal{T}} = \sum_{r=1}^{\overline{R}} \overline{\mathbf{a}}_r^{(1)} \circ \overline{\mathbf{a}}_r^{(2)} \circ \overline{\mathbf{a}}_r^{(3)} = [\![\overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(1)}, \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(2)}, \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(3)}]\!], \tag{1}$$

Tensor structure: naturally leads to consider 3 blocks corresponding to the loading matrices $A^{(1)}$, $A^{(2)}$ and $A^{(3)}$.

Proposed optimization problem

 $\min_{\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{l_n \times R}, n \in \{1,2,3\}} \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \mathbf{A}^{(3)}) + \mathcal{R}_1(\mathbf{A}^{(1)}) + \mathcal{R}_2(\mathbf{A}^{(2)}) + \mathcal{R}_3(\mathbf{A}^{(3)}).$

Some of the fastest classical approaches: Fast HALS [Phan et al., 2013] and *N*-Way [Bro, 1997].

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Tensor matricization

▶ $\overline{\mathbf{T}}_{I_n,I_{-n}}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{I_n \times I_{-n}}$ the matrix obtained by unfolding the tensor $\overline{\mathcal{T}}$ in the *n*-th mode where the size I_{-n} is equal to $I_1 I_2 I_3 / I_n$

Tensor expressed under matrix form as

$$\overline{\mathbf{T}}_{I_n,I_{-n}}^{(n)} = \bar{\mathbf{A}}^{(n)} (\overline{\mathbf{Z}}^{(-n)})^{\top}, \quad n \in \{1,2,3\}$$

where

$$\begin{split} \overline{\mathbf{Z}}^{(-1)} &= \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(3)} \odot \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{I_{-1} \times \overline{R}}, \\ \overline{\mathbf{Z}}^{(-2)} &= \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(3)} \odot \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{I_{-2} \times \overline{R}}, \\ \overline{\mathbf{Z}}^{(-3)} &= \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(2)} \odot \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{I_{-3} \times \overline{R}}, \end{split}$$

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Function choice

• $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \mathbf{A}^{(3)})$: quadratic data fidelity term

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \mathbf{A}^{(3)}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{T} - [\![\mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \mathbf{A}^{(3)}]\!] \|_{F}^{2} = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{T}_{I_{n}, I_{-n}}^{(n)} - \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \mathbf{Z}^{(-n)^{\top}} \|_{F}^{2}$$

R_n(**A**⁽ⁿ⁾): block dependent penalty terms enforcing sparsity and nonnegativity

$$\mathcal{R}_n(\mathbf{A}^{(n)}) = \sum_{i_n=1}^{I_n} \sum_{r=1}^R \rho_n(a_{i_n r}^{(n)}) \qquad \forall n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$$

where loading matrices are defined element wise as $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} = (a_{i_n r}^{(n)})_{(i_n, r) \in \{1, \dots, I_n\} \times \{1, \dots, R\}} \text{ and}$ $\rho_n(\omega) = \begin{cases} \alpha^{(n)} |\omega|^{\pi^{(n)}} & \text{if } \eta_{\min}^{(n)} \le \omega \le \eta_{\max}^{(n)} \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

 $\begin{array}{l} \alpha^{(n)} \in]0, +\infty[, \pi^{(n)} \in \mathbb{N}^*, \eta_{\min}^{(n)} \in [-\infty, +\infty[\text{ and } \eta_{\max}^{(n)} \in [\eta_{\min}^{(n)}, +\infty]. \\ \Rightarrow \text{ block dependent but constant within a block regularization } \\ \text{parameters.} \end{array}$

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Preconditionning

Preconditionning similar to the one used in NMF [Lee and Seung, 2001]. The matrix **P** for the *n*-th block can be defined as follows $\forall n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$\mathbf{P}^{(n)}(\mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \mathbf{A}^{(3)}) = \mathbf{A}^{(n)}(\mathbf{Z}^{(-n)^{\top}}\mathbf{Z}^{(-n)}) \oslash \mathbf{A}^{(n)}$$

Remark: $\forall n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, $\mathbf{A}^{(n)}$ must be non zero.

Gradient and proximity operator

• Gradient matrices of \mathcal{F} with respect to $\mathbf{A}^{(n)}$ for all n = 1, ..., 3, defined as

$$\nabla_{n} \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{A}^{(1)}, \mathbf{A}^{(2)}, \mathbf{A}^{(3)}) = -(\mathbf{T}_{I_{n}, I_{-n}}^{(n)} - \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \mathbf{Z}^{(-n)^{\top}}) \mathbf{Z}^{(-n)}.$$

• Proximity operator given by $(\forall y = (y^{(i)})_{i \in \{1,...,RI_n\}} \in \mathbb{R}^{RI_n}))$

$$\operatorname{prox}_{\gamma[k]^{-1}\mathbf{P}^{(n)}[k],\mathcal{R}_{n}}(y) = \left(\operatorname{prox}_{\gamma[k]^{-1}p_{i}^{(n)}[k],\rho_{n}}(y^{(i)})\right)_{i \in \{1,\dots,RI_{n}\}}$$

where $\forall i \in \{1, ..., RI_n\}$, we have $(\forall v \in \mathbb{R})$

$$\operatorname{prox}_{\gamma[k]^{-1}p_{i}^{(n)},\rho_{n}}(\upsilon) = \min\left\{\eta_{\max}^{(n)}, \max\left\{\eta_{\min}^{(n)}, \operatorname{prox}_{\gamma[k]\alpha^{(n)}(p_{i}^{(n)}[k])^{-1}|\,.\,|^{\pi^{(n)}}}(\upsilon)\right\}\right\}$$

(separable structure, diagonal preconditionning matrices, componentwise calculation)

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Proximal algorithm for tensor decomposition



Figure: BC-VMFB algorithm for CPD.

Computer simulation: simulated spectroscopy-like data

- Simulated tensor: (uni or bimodal type) emission and excitation spectra, random concentrations $\Rightarrow \overline{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{100 \times 100 \times 100}_+$ and $\overline{R} = 5$.
- Simulated observed tensor: $T = \overline{T} + B$ where B stands for an additive white Gaussian noise
- 2 considered cases :
 - 1. Perturbed case (noiseless): no noise added and $\hat{R} = 6$ (overestimation).
 - 2. Perturbed case (noisy): \mathcal{B} fixed such that SNR = 17.6 dB and $\hat{R} = 6$ (overestimation).

Error measures

1. Signal to Noise Ratio defined as $SNR = 20 \log_{10} \frac{\|\mathcal{T}\|_F}{\|\widehat{\mathcal{T}} - \overline{\mathcal{T}}\|_F}$

2. Relative Reconstruction Error defined as $\mathsf{RRE} = 20 \log_{10} \frac{\|\hat{\mathcal{T}} - \overline{\mathcal{T}}\|_1}{\|\overline{\mathcal{T}}\|}$

3. Estimation error:
$$\mathbf{E}_1 = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{\sum_{n=1}^3 \|\widehat{\mathbf{A}}^{(n)}(1:\overline{R}) - \overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(n)}\|_1}{\sum_{n=1}^3 \|\overline{\mathbf{A}}^{(n)}\|_1} \right)^n$$

4. Over-factoring error: $\mathbf{E}_2 = 10 \log_{10} \left(\| \sum_{r=\overline{R}+1}^{n} \widehat{\mathbf{a}}_r^{(1)} \circ \widehat{\mathbf{a}}_r^{(2)} \circ \widehat{\mathbf{a}}_r^{(3)} \|_1 \right)$

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Numerical results

	Elapsed time (s)	BC-VMFB without penalty	BC-VMFB with penalty	N-way	fast HALS
	For 50 iterations	0.2	0.2	11	0.5
Noisy case	To reach stopping conditions	102	75	8	8
	(actual number of iterations)	(48500)	(36500)	(43)	(1856)
	$(SNR, E_1, E_2) dB$	(31.3, -12.5, 30.6)	(32.7, -11.2, -409)	(31.3, -12.5, 30.6)	(31.3, -12.5, 30.6)
Noiseless case	To reach stopping conditions	202	74	80	3.7
	(actual number of iterations)	(100000)	(36500)	(838)	(308)
	$(RRE, E_1, E_2) dB$	(-75.1,-12.4,25.6)	(-44.7, -15, -409)	(-127.9, -8.7, 31.7)	(-63.9, -6.1, 31.7)

Computation time comparison of BC-VMFB in two cases: with or without penalty, with *N*-way [Bro, 1997] and fast HALS [Phan et al., 2013] using the same initial value in the noiseless and noisy cases.

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Influence of the initialization



Performance versus different initializations (noisy, overestimated case): error index E_1 , overfactoring error index E_2

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Visual results: noiseless case



Figure: FEEM of reference (left) - FEEM reconstructed using BC-VMFB without regularization (middle) and with regularization $\alpha = 0.05$ (right).

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Figure: $\hat{R} = 6$ - reference spectra / BC-VMFB without penalty / BC-VMFB with penalty $\alpha = 0.05$.

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Computer simulation: real experimental data - water monitoring to detect pollutants

- ► Data were acquired automatically every 3 minutes, during a 10 days monitoring campaign performed on water extracted from an urban river ⇒ tensor of size 36 × 111 × 2594.
- ► The excitation wavelengths range from 225nm to 400nm with a 5nm bandwidth, whereas the emission wavelengths range from 280nm to 500nm with a 2nm bandwidth.
- The FEEM have been pre-processed using the Zepp's method (negative values were set to 0).

Contamination

During this experiment, a contamination with diesel oil appeared 7 days after the beginning of the monitoring.

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Results: what about the rank ?



penalized BC-VMFB algorithm

Bro's N-way algorithm

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$$\widehat{R} = 4$$

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Results: concentrations



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Concentrations estimated by BC-VMFB



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- clear theoretical and mathematical framework for CPD decomposition;
- interesting properties of the proposed approach: reliability, robustness versus noise and overestimation of the rank, good performance despite model errors and relative quickness;
- promising results on simulated and real data.

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