A Simpler Approach to Low-Rank Tensor Canonical Polyadic Decomposition

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Canonical Polyadic Decomposition Low-Rank: $R \leq D_2$

Existing Methods

- Alternating Minimization
- Simultaneous Diagonalization
- Generalized Eigenvalue Decomposition
- Line Search

This Talk

Simple Approach - Elemental Linear Algebra









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$$\widetilde{\mathbf{U}}^{1} = R \text{ l.i. columns in } \mathbf{X}.$$

$$\Theta^{1}, \Theta^{2} = \text{coeffs of two slices w.r.t. } \widetilde{\mathbf{U}}^{1}.$$

$$\Gamma = \text{eigenvectors of } \Theta^{1}(\Theta^{2})^{-1}.$$

$$\mathbf{U}^{1} = \widetilde{\mathbf{U}}^{1}\Gamma.$$

Summary



At this point we know the basis

Now we just need to get the coefficients



Take one slice in each dimension



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And we are all set!



Take-home message:

We can obtain the CPD of low-rank tensors in closed form

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Thank you.