# A Multi-resolution Low-rank Tensor Decomposition 

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- Parsimony is key to enhance efficiency in multi-dimensional domains ( $N_{s}^{D}$ )
$\Rightarrow$ E.g. chemometrics, and psychometrics [Bro97]
- Matrix models have been traditionally used to model these datasets
- Tensor models are breaking through [Papalexakis16]
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- The PARAFAC decomposition generalizes the SVD $\mathbf{X}=\sum_{r=1}^{R} \sigma_{r} \mathbf{u}_{r} \mathbf{v}_{r}^{T}$
$\Rightarrow$ Consider the Ith order tensor $\mathbf{X}$
$\Rightarrow$ Consider the matrices $\mathbf{F}_{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{i} \times R}$ for $i=1, \ldots, l$
$\Rightarrow$ Then, $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$ is said to have rank $R$ if it can be written as

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\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{X}=\sum_{r=1}^{R}\left[\mathbf{F}_{1}\right]_{r} \odot\left[\mathbf{F}_{2}\right]_{r} \odot \ldots \odot\left[\mathbf{F}_{1}\right]_{r} \tag{1}
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$\Rightarrow$ The matrices $\mathbf{F}_{i}$ are obtained via ALS schemes


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$\Rightarrow$ Low-rank tensor with rank $R$ implies matrix with rank $R$
$\Rightarrow$ The opposite is not necessarily true but...
$\Rightarrow$ provides alternative parsimonious description (dimension dependent)


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- Partitions define how to unfold a tensor to a lower-order tensor:
$\Rightarrow$ Partitions tells how to group dimensions



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- Partitions are a mechanism to unfold tensors
$\Rightarrow$ They can be used to decompose a tensor $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$ as the sum:

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\begin{equation*}
\underline{\mathbf{x}}=\sum_{l=1}^{L} \underline{\underline{Z}}_{l} \tag{2}
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$\Rightarrow$ Where each $Z_{\text {I }}$ is a low-order unfolding defined by partition $\mathcal{P}^{(1)}$

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- The MRLR decomposition
$\Rightarrow$ exploits information at different resolutions
$\Rightarrow$ leverages parsimony


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- The tensorization operator $\operatorname{ten}_{\mathcal{P}}(\underline{\mathbf{Z}})$ yields the $|\mathcal{P}|$ th order tensor $\underline{\underline{Z}}$

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& \underline{\check{z}}=\operatorname{ten}_{\mathcal{P}}(\underline{\mathbf{Z}}) \in \mathbb{R}^{\prod_{j=1}^{\left|\mathcal{P}_{1}\right|}\left|\mathcal{P}_{1}(j)\right| \times \ldots \times \prod_{j=1}^{\left|\mathcal{P}_{p}\right|}\left|\mathcal{P}_{P}(j)\right|}  \tag{4}\\
& \quad[\underset{\mathbf{Z}}{ }]_{k_{1}, \ldots, k_{|\mathcal{P}|} \mid}=[\underline{\mathbf{Z}}]_{n_{1}, \ldots, n_{l}} \text { and } \\
& \quad k_{p}=n_{\mathcal{P}_{p}(1)} \text { if }\left|\mathcal{P}_{p}\right|=1 \\
& \quad k_{p}=n_{\mathcal{P}_{p}(1)}+\sum_{i=2}^{\left|\mathcal{P}_{p}\right|}\left(n_{\mathcal{P}_{p}(i)}-1\right) \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} N_{\mathcal{P}_{p}(j)} \text { if }\left|\mathcal{P}_{p}\right|>1
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## MRLR decomposition

- Given a three-dimensional tensor $\mathbf{X}$ :
$\Rightarrow$ The partition $\mathcal{P}^{(1)}=\{\{1\},\{2,3\}\}$ defines the matrix $\check{\mathbf{X}}_{1}$
$\Rightarrow$ The partition $\mathcal{P}^{(2)}=\{\{1,2,3\}\}$ defines the auto-map $\check{\mathbf{X}}_{2}$
$\Rightarrow$ The low-rank decompositions $\underline{\underline{Z}}_{1}$ and $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{2}$ are estimated
$\Rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{1}$ and $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{2}$ are mapped back, giving $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{1}$ and $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{2}$
$\Rightarrow$ Model the tensor as the sum of $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{1}$ and $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{2}$



## Algorithmic implementation

- The MRLR decomposition can be obtained via solving:

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- The expression in (5) can be worked out
$\Rightarrow$ Sequentially solving for each $\mathbf{Z}_{\text {I }}$
$\Rightarrow$ Leveraging low rank in each $\underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{I}$ via the PARAFAC decomposition

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\begin{equation*}
\min _{\mathbf{H}_{1}^{i}, \ldots, \mathbf{H}_{j_{i}}^{j}}\left\|\mathbf{X}-\sum_{l \neq i}^{L} \underline{\mathbf{Z}}_{I}-\sum_{j=1}^{R_{i}}\left[\mathbf{H}_{1}^{i}\right]_{j} \odot \ldots \odot\left[\mathbf{H}_{j i}^{i}\right]_{j}\right\|_{F} . \tag{6}
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- Future research directions
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$\Rightarrow$ Intelligent ways of creating the partitions
$\Rightarrow$ Alternative algorithms

