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## Lecture on ALS. continued.

$$T \rightsquigarrow \left( \sum_{r=1}^R \underline{a}_r \otimes \underline{b}_r \otimes \underline{c}_r \equiv S \right)$$

we should first see how to write down this sum in terms of three matrices.

$$\textcircled{1} S_{(1)} = A (C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B)^T \quad I_1 \times I_2 I_3$$

$$S_{(2)} = B (A \otimes_{\text{Khr}} C)^T \quad I_2 \times I_1 I_3$$

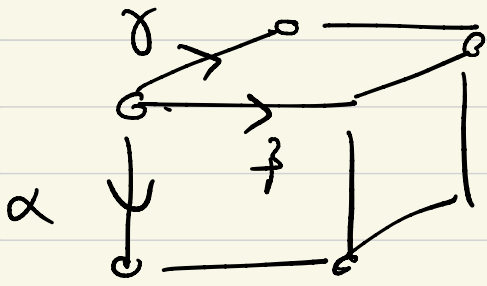
$$S_{(3)} = C (B \otimes_{\text{Khr}} A)^T \quad I_3 \times I_2 I_1$$

$$A = [\underline{a}_1, \dots, \underline{a}_R]$$

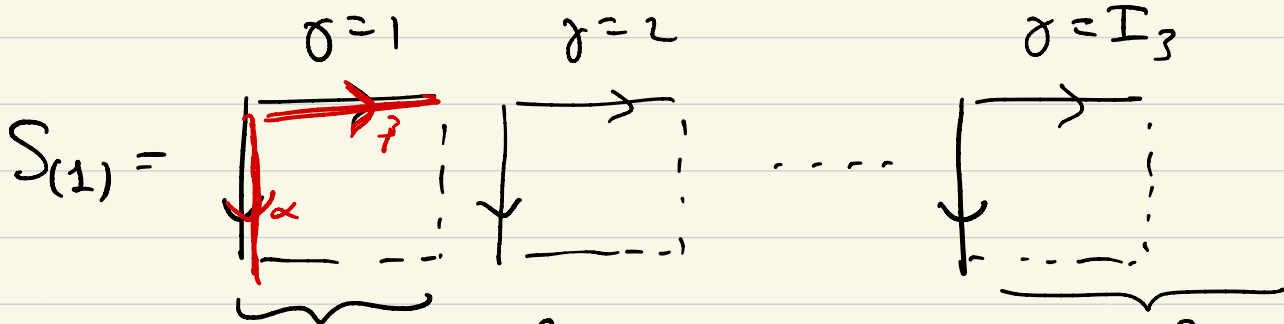
$$B = [\underline{b}_1, \dots, \underline{b}_R]$$

$$C = [\underline{c}_1, \dots, \underline{c}_R].$$

$$S = \sum_{r=1}^R \underline{a}_r \otimes \underline{b}_r \otimes \underline{c}_r \quad \text{cube with components}$$



$$\sum_{r=1}^R a_r^\alpha b_r^\beta c_r^\gamma$$



$$= \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \sum_{r=1}^R a_r^\alpha b_r^\beta c_r^1 & \sum_{r=1}^R a_r^\alpha b_r^\beta c_r^2 & \dots & \sum_{r=1}^R a_r^\alpha b_r^\beta c_r^{I_3} \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \left[ \begin{array}{c} \alpha \downarrow a_1^\alpha \dots a_R^\alpha \\ \vdots \\ b_1^\beta \quad c_1^{I_3} \\ \vdots \\ b_R^\beta \quad c_R^{I_3} \end{array} \right]$$

$$= A \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} b_1^T c_1^1 & b_1^T c_1^{I_3} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ b_R^T c_R^1 & b_R^T c_R^{I_3} \end{array} \right] = A \left[ \begin{array}{c} c_1^T \otimes_{k \times r} b_1^T \\ \vdots \\ c_R^T \otimes_{k \times r} b_R^T \end{array} \right]$$

Go back to previous video and defs.

$$= A (C \otimes_{k \times r} B)^T$$

### 3) Formulate the ALS algorithm.

- Performance is not so well known.
- empirical method
- popular
- Many extensions exist.

- I take  $A, B, C$  and I construct

$$T = \sum_{r=1}^R \underline{a}_r \otimes \underline{b}_r \otimes \underline{c}_r \quad (*) (**)$$

assume that  $A, B, C$  are all three full column-rank.

By Jenvich's theorem you know that (\*) is a unique decomposition (up to scaling, s & permutation) into a sum of rank-one terms. And rank is  $R$ .

- I give you  $T^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$  and you have to find  $A, B, C$ .

- An idea for an algorithm would be to minimize the following sum over  $a$ 's,  $b$ 's,  $c$ 's

$$\sum_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} \left( T^{\alpha\beta\gamma} - \sum_{r=1}^R a_r^\alpha b_r^\beta c_r^\gamma \right)^2 \quad \leftarrow$$

Obviously the minimum is zero, and the sol is the correct one and also is unique.

- How do you perform this minimization? *not obvious*  
*highly non-convex probl.*

## Definition Frobenius Norm.

$$\|T\|_F^2 \equiv \sum_{\alpha=1}^{I_1} \sum_{\beta=1}^{I_2} \sum_{\gamma=1}^{I_3} (T^{\alpha\beta\gamma})^2$$

for real valued tensors.

Idea of ALS is to minimize Frobenius Norm:

$$\|T - \sum_{r=1}^R \underline{a}_r \otimes \underline{b}_r \otimes \underline{c}_r\|_F^2 \quad \leftarrow$$

over  $\underline{a}_r, \underline{b}_r, \underline{c}_r \quad r=1, \dots, R.$

Remark: Frob Norm is sum of the list of all components squared.

equal to  $\|T_{(1)} - A(C \otimes_{khr} B)^T\|_F^2 \quad \leftarrow$

equal to  $\|T_{(2)} - B(A \otimes_{khr} C)^T\|_F^2 \quad \leftarrow$

equal to  $\|T_{(3)} - C(B \otimes_{khr} A)^T\|_F^2 \quad \leftarrow$

, Idea is that if e.g.  $B$  &  $C$  were known then you could solve

$$\arg\min_A \|T_{(1)} - A (B \otimes_{\text{Khr}} C)^T\|_F^2$$

(by the least square method where  $A$  is unknown.)

• ALS main steps are

$$A^{m+1} \leftarrow \arg\min_A \|T_{(1)} - A (B^m \otimes_{\text{Khr}} C^m)^T\|_F^2 \checkmark$$

$$B^{m+1} \leftarrow \arg\min_B \|T_{(2)} - B (A^{m+1} \otimes_{\text{Khr}} C^m)^T\|_F^2$$

$$C^{m+1} \leftarrow \arg\min_C \|T_{(3)} - C (B^{m+1} \otimes_{\text{Khr}} A^{m+1})^T\|_F^2$$

with initial condition  $(B^{(0)}, C^{(0)})$  say.

Using least square solution you find for the also

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \sqrt{A}^{m+1} &= T_{(1)} \left( C^{(m)} \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B^{(m)} \right) \left( C^m C^m * B^m B^m \right)^{-1} \\ \sqrt{B}^{m+1} &= T_{(2)} \left( A^{m+1} \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B^m \right) \left( A^{m+1} A^{m+1} * C C \right)^{-1} \\ \sqrt{C}^{m+1} &= T_{(3)} \left( B^{m+1} \otimes_{\text{Khr}} A^{m+1} \right) \left( B^{m+1} B^{m+1} * A A \right)^{-1} \end{aligned} \right.$$

choosing initial cond  $(C^{(0)}, B^{(0)})$ .

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Least square solution of :

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{A}} \left\| T_{(1)} - \hat{A} \underbrace{(C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B)}^T \right\|_F^2$$

assuming  $C$  &  $B$  are known.

Use the usual least square soln :

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{A}} \left\| \underbrace{Y}_{\text{matrix}} - \hat{A} \underbrace{\Phi}_{\text{matrix}} \right\|_F^2 \quad \text{with } \Phi \text{ full row rank}$$

The unique solution for  $\hat{A} = Y \underbrace{\Phi^T (\Phi \Phi^T)^{-1}}_{\substack{\Phi^T \text{ MP} \\ \text{pseudoinverse}}}$

read the motivation for the proof recap.

usually  $\vec{y}^T$  and  $\vec{a}^T$  solve  $\operatorname{argmin}_a \|\vec{y}^T - \vec{a}^T \phi\|_2^2$

$$= \operatorname{argmin}_a \|\vec{y} - \phi^T \vec{a}\|_2^2$$

with  $\phi^T$  full column rank.

→  
apply this result.



$$\hat{A} = T_{(1)} \left( (C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B)^T \right)^+$$

Remember that because  $C$  &  $B$  are full col rank

$C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B$  is full col rank and so

$(C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B)^T$  is full row rank. and

$$\left( (C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B)^T \right)^+ = (C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B) \left[ (C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B)^T (C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B) \right]^{-1}$$

here  $C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B = \phi$

from previous  
video property

$$(C^T C) * (B^T B)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\hat{A} = T_{(1)} (C \otimes_{\text{Khr}} B) \left( (C^T C) * (B^T B) \right)^{-1}$$

