# Guaranteed Learning of Latent Variable Models through Tensor Methods 

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Probabilistic/latent variable viewpoint

- The groups represent different distributions. (e.g. Gaussian).
- Each data point is drawn from one of the given distributions. (e.g. Gaussian mixtures).


## Application 2: Topic Modeling



Document modeling

- Observed: words in document corpus.
- Hidden: topics.
- Goal: carry out document summarization.


## Application 3: Understanding Human Communities



Social Networks

- Observed: network of social ties, e.g. friendships, co-authorships
- Hidden: groups/communities of social actors.


## Application 4: Recommender Systems



Recommender System

- Observed: Ratings of users for various products, e.g. yelp reviews.
- Goal: Predict new recommendations.
- Modeling: Find groups/communities of users and products.


## Application 5: Feature Learning



Feature Engineering

- Learn good features/representations for classification tasks, e.g. image and speech recognition.
- Sparse representations, low dimensional hidden structures.


## Application 6: Computational Biology



Gasch et af. Nol Biol cell 2000.

- Observed: gene expression levels
- Goal: discover gene groups
- Hidden variables: regulators controlling gene groups


## Application 7: Human Disease Hierarchy Discovery

 CMS: 1.6 million patients, 168 million diagnostic events, 11 k diseases.

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## How to model hidden effects?

Basic Approach: mixtures/clusters

- Hidden variable $h$ is categorical.

Advanced: Probabilistic models

- Hidden variable $h$ has more general distributions.
- Can model mixed memberships.


This talk: basic mixture model and some advanced models.

## Challenges in Learning

Basic goal in all mentioned applications
Discover hidden structure in data: unsupervised learning.



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Guaranteed and efficient learning through spectral methods

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## Learning Problem

Estimate mean vector $\mu_{h}$, covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{h}$, and mixing weight $\operatorname{Cat}\left(\pi_{1}, \pi_{2}, \ldots, \pi_{K}\right)$ of each subpopulation from unlabeled data.

## Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE)

- Data $\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n}$
- Likelihood $\operatorname{Pr}_{\theta}($ data $) \stackrel{\text { iid }}{=} \prod_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{Pr}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right)$
- Model parameter estimation $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text {mle }}:=\operatorname{argmax} \log \operatorname{Pr}_{\theta}($ data $)$

$$
\theta \in \Theta
$$

- Latent variable models: some variables are hidden
- No "direct" estimators when some variables are hidden
- Local optimization via Expectation-Maximization (EM) (Dempster, Laird, \& Rubin, 1977)


## MLE for Gaussian Mixture Models

Given data $\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n}$ and the number of Gaussian components $K$, the model parameters to be estimated are $\boldsymbol{\theta}=\left\{\left(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{h}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{h}, \pi_{h}\right)\right\}_{h=1}^{K}$.
$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text {mle }}$ for Gaussian Mixture Models
$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text {mle }}:=\underset{\boldsymbol{\theta}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left(\sum_{h=1}^{K} \frac{\pi_{h}}{\operatorname{det}\left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{h}\right)^{1 / 2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}-\boldsymbol{\mu}_{h}\right)^{\top} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{h}^{-1}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}-\boldsymbol{\mu}_{h}\right)\right)\right)$

- Solving MLE estimator is NP-hard (Dasgupta, 2008; Aloise, Deshpande, Hansen, \& Popat, 2009; Mahajan, Nimbhorkar, \& Varadarajan, 2009; Vattani, 2009; Awasthi, Charikar, Krishnaswamy, \& Sinop, 2015).


## Consistent Estimator

Definition
Suppose iid samples $\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n}$ are generated by distribution $\operatorname{Pr}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right)$ where the model parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \boldsymbol{\Theta}$ are unknown. An estimator $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ is consistent if

$$
\mathbb{E}\|\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text { as } \quad n \rightarrow \infty
$$

Spherical Gaussian Mixtures $\Sigma_{h}=I$ (as $\left.n \rightarrow \infty\right)$

- For $K=2$ and $\pi_{h}=1 / 2$ : EM is consistent (Xu, H., \& Maleki, 2016; Daskalakis, Tzamos, \& Zampetakis, 2016).
- Larger K: easily trapped in local maxima, far from global max (Jin, Zhang, Balakrishnan, Wainwright, \& Jordan, 2016).
- Practitioners often use EM with many (random) restarts, but may take a long time to get near the global max.


## Hardness of Parameter Estimation

Exponentially difficult computationally or statistically to learn model parameters, even under the parametric setting.

Cryptographic hardness

E.g., Mossel \& Roch, 2006

Information-theoretic hardness

E.g., Moitra \& Valiant, 2010

May require $2^{\Omega(K)}$ running time or $2^{\Omega(K)}$ sample size.

## Ways Around the Hardness

- Separation conditions.
E.g., assume $\min _{i \neq j} \frac{\left\|\boldsymbol{\mu}_{i}-\boldsymbol{\mu}_{j}\right\|^{2}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}+\sigma_{j}^{2}}$ is sufficiently large.
(Dasgupta, 1999; Arora \& Kannan, 2001; Vempala \& Wang, 2002; . . . )
- Structural assumptions.
E.g., assume sparsity, separable (anchor words).
(Spielman, Wang \& Wright, 2012; Arora, Ge \& Moitra, 2012; . . . )
- Non-degeneracy conditions.
E.g., assume $\boldsymbol{\mu}_{1}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{\mu}_{K}$ span a $K$-dimensional space.

This tutorial: statistically and computationally efficient learning algorithms for non-degenerate instances via method-of-moments.

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## Method-of-Moments At A Glance

(1) Determine function of model parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ estimatable from observable data:

- Moments

$$
\mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}[f(\boldsymbol{X})]
$$

(2) Form estimates of moments using data (iid samples $\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n}$ ):

- Empirical Moments

$$
\widehat{\mathbb{E}}[f(\boldsymbol{X})]
$$

(3) Solve the approximate equations for parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ :

- Moment matching

$$
\mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}[f(\boldsymbol{X})] \stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{=} \widehat{\mathbb{E}}[f(\boldsymbol{X})]
$$

Toy Example
How to estimate Gaussian variable, i.e., $(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$,
given iid samples $\left\{\boldsymbol{x}_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{n} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{2}\right)$ ?

## What is a tensor?

Multi-dimensional Array

- Tensor - Higher order matrix
- The number of dimensions is called tensor order.



## Tensor Product



- $[\boldsymbol{a} \otimes \boldsymbol{b}]_{i_{1}, i_{2}}=\boldsymbol{a}_{i_{1}} \boldsymbol{b}_{i_{2}}$
- Rank-1 matrix

- $[\boldsymbol{a} \otimes \boldsymbol{b} \otimes \boldsymbol{c}]_{i_{1}, i_{2}, i_{3}}=\boldsymbol{a}_{i_{1}} \boldsymbol{b}_{i_{2}} \boldsymbol{c}_{i_{3}}$
- Rank-1 tensor


## Slices



- Horizontal slices

- Lateral slices

- Frontal slices

Fiber


- Mode-2 (row) fibers

- Mode-3 (tube) fibers


## CP decomposition



- $\mathcal{X}=\sum_{h=1}^{R} \boldsymbol{a}_{h} \otimes \boldsymbol{b}_{h} \otimes \boldsymbol{c}_{h}$
- Rank: Minimum number of rank-1 tensors whose sum generates the tensor.


## Multi-linear Transform

Multi-linear Operation
If $\boldsymbol{\mathcal { T }}=\sum_{h=1}^{R} \boldsymbol{a}_{h} \otimes \boldsymbol{b}_{h} \otimes \boldsymbol{c}_{h}$, a multi-linear operation using matrices
$(\boldsymbol{X}, \boldsymbol{Y}, \boldsymbol{Z})$ is as follows

$$
\mathcal{T}(\boldsymbol{X}, \boldsymbol{Y}, \boldsymbol{Z}):=\sum_{h=1}^{K}\left(\boldsymbol{X}^{\top} \boldsymbol{a}_{h}\right) \otimes\left(\boldsymbol{Y}^{\top} \boldsymbol{b}_{h}\right) \otimes\left(\boldsymbol{Z}^{\top} \boldsymbol{c}_{h}\right)
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Similarly for a multi-linear operation using vectors $(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{z})$

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## Tensors in Method of Moments

Matrix: Pair-wise relationship

- Signal or data observed $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$
- Rank 1 matrix: $[\boldsymbol{x} \otimes \boldsymbol{x}]_{i, j}=\boldsymbol{x}_{i} \boldsymbol{x}_{j}$
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$$
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Tensor: Triple-wise relationship or higher

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$$
\boldsymbol{\mathcal { M }}_{3}=\mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{x} \otimes \boldsymbol{x} \otimes \boldsymbol{x}]=\mathbb{E}\left[\boldsymbol{x} \otimes^{3}\right]
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## Why are tensors powerful?

Matrix Orthogonal Decomposition

- Not unique without eigenvalue gap

$$
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## Topic Modeling

## General Topic Model (e.g., Latent Dirichlet Allocation)



- $K$ topics
- each associated with a distribution over vocab words $\left\{a_{h}\right\}_{h=1}^{K}$
- Hidden topic proportion $\boldsymbol{w}$
- per document $i, \boldsymbol{w}^{(i)} \in \Delta^{K-1}$
- Document $\stackrel{\text { iid }}{\sim}$ mixture of topics
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## Model Parameters of Topic Model for Single-topic Documents

## Estimate Topic Proportion

- Topic proportion $\boldsymbol{w}=\left[w_{1}, \ldots, w_{K}\right]$

$$
w_{h}=\mathbb{P}[\text { topic of word }=h]
$$

Estimate Topic Word Matrix


- Topic-word matrix $\boldsymbol{A}=\left[\boldsymbol{a}_{1}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{a}_{K}\right]$

$$
\boldsymbol{A}_{j h}=\mathbb{P}\left[\text { word }=\boldsymbol{e}_{j} \mid \text { topic }=h\right]
$$

- Goal: to estimate model parameters $\left\{\left(\boldsymbol{a}_{h}, w_{h}\right)\right\}_{h=1}^{K}$, given iid samples of $n$ documents (word count $\left\{\boldsymbol{c}^{(i)}\right\}_{i=1}^{n}$ )
- Frequency vector $\boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}=\frac{\frac{c}{}_{(i)}^{L}}{L}$, the length of document is $L=\sum_{j} \boldsymbol{c}_{j}^{(i)}$


## Moment Matching

Nondegenerate model (linearly independent topic-word matrix)

- Generative process:


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Matrix decomposition recovers subspace, not actual model

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Many such $\boldsymbol{W}^{\prime}$ s, find one such that $\boldsymbol{v}_{h}=\boldsymbol{W}^{\top} \boldsymbol{a}_{h}$ orthogonal

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$\mathcal{M}_{3}$ : Distribution of word triples ( $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_{3}$ : Co-occurrence of word triples)


Orthogonalize the tensor, project data with $\boldsymbol{W}: \boldsymbol{\mathcal { M }}_{3}(\boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{W})$

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Unique orthogonal tensor decomposition $\left\{\widehat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{h}\right\}_{h=1}^{K}$

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## Other tensor decomposition techniques

## Orthogonal Tensor Decomposition

Simultaneous Power Method

- (Wang \& Lu, 2017)

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Orthogonalized Simultaneous Alternating Least Square

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## Tensorized Spectrum Preserving Compression of Neural Networks

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$\mathcal{K}^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times S_{0} \times \cdots \times S_{m-1} \times T_{0} \times \cdots \times T_{m-1}}$

- Tensorization: kernel reshaped to higher order tensor.
- $S=\prod_{i=0}^{m-1} S_{i}$ and $T=\prod_{i=0}^{m-1} T_{i}$.
- Input tensor $\mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{X \times Y \times S}$ tensorized to $\mathcal{U}^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}^{X \times Y \times S_{0} \times \cdots \times S_{m-1}}$.
- Output reshaped $\mathcal{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{X \times Y \times T}$ to $\mathcal{V}^{\prime} \in \mathbb{R}^{X^{\prime} \times Y^{\prime} \times T_{0} \times \cdots \times T_{m-1}}$.


## Tensorized Kernel TT Decom

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- Param. No.: $H W S T \rightarrow S R_{s}+H R_{s} R+W R_{t} R+R_{t} T \rightarrow\left(m(S T)^{\frac{1}{m}} R+H W\right) R$


## Experiments - Compress CIFAR10 Resnet-34

## Successful Compression of CIFAR10 Resnet-34 Network (Su, Li,

Bhattacharjee \& Huang, 2018)

|  | Compression rate: SPC, E2E |  |  |  | Compression rate: t-SPC, Seq. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Method | $5 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| CP | 84.02 | 86.93 | 88.75 | 88.75 | 85.7 | 89.86 | 91.28 | - |
| TK | 83.57 | 86.00 | 88.03 | 89.35 | 61.06 | 71.34 | 81.59 | 87.11 |
| TT | 77.44 | 82.92 | 84.13 | 86.64 | 78.95 | 84.26 | 87.89 | - |

- Testing accuracies of tensor methods under compression rates.
- The uncompressed network achieves $93.2 \%$ accuracy.
- CIFAR10 Resnet-34 has $4 \times 10^{5}$ parameters that have to be trained and retained during testing.


## Experiments - Compress ImageNet Resnet-50

## Successful Compression of ImageNet Resnet-50 Network (Su, Li,

Bhattacharjee \& Huang, 2018)

| $\#$ <br> Epochs | Uncompressed | SPC-TT <br> (E2E) | t-SPC-TT <br> (Seq.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.2 | 4.22 | $0.66 x$ | $10.51 x$ |
| 0.3 | 6.23 | $0.64 x$ | $7.54 x$ |
| 0.5 | 9.01 | $0.83 x$ | $5.54 x$ |
| 1.0 | 17.3 | $0.74 x$ | $3.04 x$ |
| 2.0 | 30.8 | $0.59 x$ | $1.75 x$ |

- Testing accuracy of tensor methods compared to the uncompressed ImageNet Resnet-50.
- The accuracy of the tensor method results (both non-tensorized and tensorized) are shown normalized to the uncompressed network's accuracy.


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## Conclusion

- Method-of-moments can efficiently estimate parameters for many latent variable models.
- Exploit distributional properties, multi-view structure, and other structure to determine usable moments tensors.
- Some efficient algorithms for carrying out the tensor decomposition to obtain parameter estimates.
- Tensor decomposition of neural network kernels/weights effectively compresses the network.
- Many issues to resolve
- Handle model misspecification, increase robustness.
- Learning deep neural network parameters using tensor decomposition?


## A Short List of Related Papers to Today's Talk

- "A Method of Moments for Mixture Models and Hidden Markov Models", by Anima Anandkumar, Daniel Hsu and Sham Kakade. In Conference on Learning Theory, 2012.
- "Tensor Decompositions for Learning Latent Variable Models", by Anima Anandkumar, Rong Ge, Daniel Hsu, Sham Kakade and Matus Telgarsky. In Journal of Machine Learning Research, 2014.
- "Escaping from saddle pointsonline stochastic gradient for tensor decomposition", Rong Ge, Furong Huang, Chi Jin and Yang Yuan. In Conference on Learning Theory, 2015.
- "Online tensor methods for learning latent variable models", Furong Huang, Niranjan U. N., Mohammad Umar Hakeem and Anima Anandkumar. The Journal of Machine Learning Research, 2016.
- "Guaranteed Simultaneous Asymmetric Tensor Decomposition via Orthogonalized Alternating Least Squares", by Jialin Li and Furong Huang, 2018.
- "Tensorized Spectrum Preserving Compression for Neural Networks", by Jiahao Su, Jingling Li, Bobby Bhattacharjee and Furong Huang, 2018.


## Tensor Softwares

- Spark implementation of method of moments to learn Latent Dirichlet Allocation available at https://github.com/FurongHuang/spectrallda-tensorspark.
- Tensorly: Simple and Fast Tensor Learning in Python available at http://tensorly.org/stable/home.html.
- A general library with higher order tensor operations is coming soon.


[^0]:    " Scalable Latent TreeModel and its Application to Health Analytics" by F. Huang, N. U.Niranjan, I. Perros, R. Chen, J. Sun, A. Anandkumar, NIPS 2015 MLHC workshop.

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