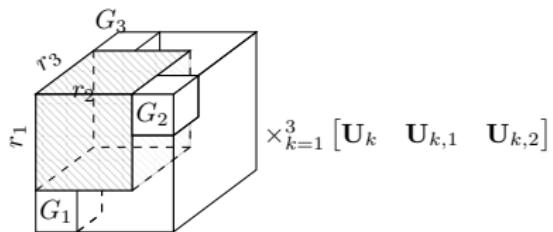


Low-rank optimization on matrix and tensor varieties

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$$\times_{k=1}^3 [\mathbf{U}_k \quad \mathbf{U}_{k,1} \quad \mathbf{U}_{k,2}]$$

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Low-rank optimization on matrix/tensor spaces

Low-rank problems and applications

Low-rank problems

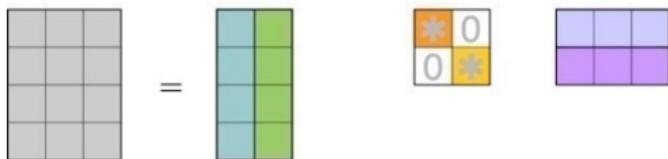
- Low-rank matrix/tensor completion [Wen-Yin-Zhang'12; Xu-Yin-Wen-Zhang'12; Kressner-Steinlechner-Vandereycken'14; Steinlechner'16; Kasai-Mishra'16; Shen-Liu'20; Dong-G.-Guan-Glineur'22; Zhao-Bai-Sun-Zheng'22; Yu-Zang-Huang'23; G.-Peng-Yuan'24]
- Low-rank approximation of higher-dimensional functions [Grasedyck-Kressner-Tobler'13; Uschmajew-Vandereycken'20]
- Low-rank solution of tensor equations [Kressner-Steinlechner-Vandereycken'16]
- Low-rank SDP [Lemon-So-Ye'16; Wang-Deng-Liu-Wen'23; Tang-Toh'23]
- Low-rank solution of high-dimensional PDEs [Eigel-Schneider-Sommer'22; Bachmayr-Eisenmann-Uschmajew'23; Wang-Lin-Liao-Liu-Xie'23]

Applications

- Recommendation system: movie ratings [Frolov-Oseledets'17]
- Hyperspectral Images [Zhang-He-Zhang-Shen-Yuan'13; Zhuang-Fu-Ng'21]
- Image and video inpainting [Bertalmio-Sapiro-Caselles-Ballester'00; Fu-Ruan-Luo-An-Jin'21; Luo-Zhao-Li-Ng-Meng'23; Bai-Zhang-Ni-Cui'16]
- EEG (brain signals) data [Mørup-Hansen-Herrmann-Parnas-Arnfred'06; Kong-Kong-Fan-Zhao-Cichoki'17]
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) [Banco-Aeron-Hoge'16; Choi-Bao-Zhang'18; Fessler'20]
- Data analysis, e.g., Weather forecast [Loucheur-Absil-Journee'23] and Markov models [Zhu-Li-Wang-Zhang'22]

Low-rank approximation - matrix

Matrix rank, singular value decomposition (SVD)



Low-rank matrix factorizations

- Input data (A): Traffic matrix (size: $\sim 10^3 \times 10^5$)
 - Low-rank approx. by $\hat{X}_k := U_k \Sigma_k V_k^\top$ (truncated SVD) $k = 10$
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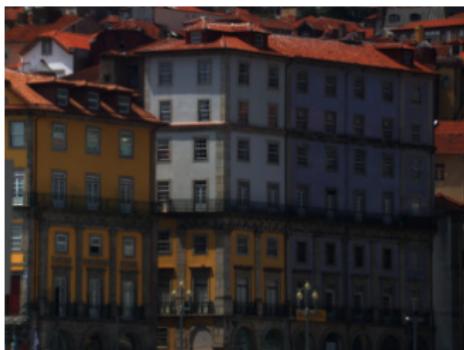
accuracy $(1 - \frac{\|U_k \Sigma_k V_k^\top - A\|_F}{\|A\|_F})$: **67.6%**

storage $\frac{\#\text{parameters } (U_k, \Sigma_k, V_k)}{\#\text{parameters } (A)}$: **1.1% only!**

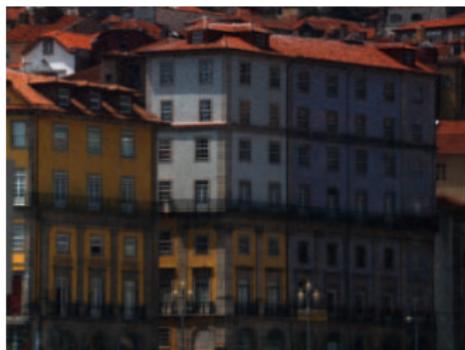
Low-rank approximation - tensor

Low-rank assumption

- :(Store a full tensor: $\mathcal{O}(n^d)$ number of parameters!
- : Low-rank tensor decomposition: save storage



Full image: 20MB



Compressed image: 0.4MB

Tucker rank: [65, 65, 5]

Relative error: 0.0743

Low-rank optimization on matrix manifold

Optimization on the set of fixed-rank matrices

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}} \quad & f(\mathbf{X}) \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}_{\underline{r}}^{m \times n} := \{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} : \text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) = \underline{r}\} \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathbb{R}_{\underline{r}}^{m \times n}$: smooth *manifold* [Helmke-Shayman'95]
- $\underline{r} \leq \min(m, n)$: rank parameter

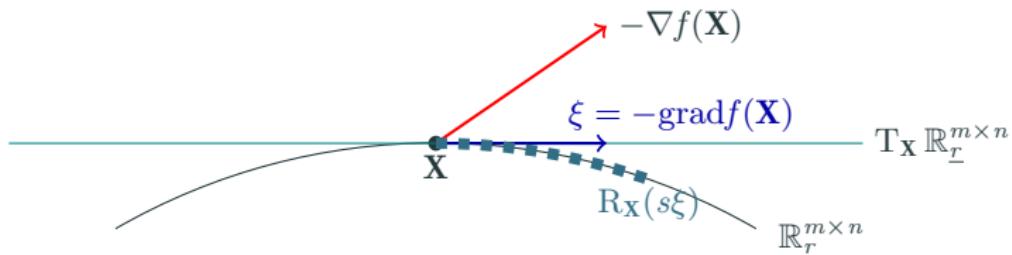
Tangent space [Vandereycken'13]

Given a thin SVD $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^\top$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\mathbf{X}} \mathbb{R}_{\underline{r}}^{m \times n} &= \left[\mathbf{U} \quad \mathbf{U}^\perp \right] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{R}^{\underline{r} \times \underline{r}} & \mathbb{R}^{\underline{r} \times (n-\underline{r})} \\ \mathbb{R}^{(m-\underline{r}) \times \underline{r}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left[\mathbf{V} \quad \mathbf{V}^\perp \right]^\top \\ &= \left[\mathbf{U} \quad \mathbf{U}^\perp \right] \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \diagup & \diagdown \\ \diagdown & \diagup \\ \hline \end{array} \left[\mathbf{V} \quad \mathbf{V}^\perp \right]^\top \end{aligned}$$

Existing methods

Optimization on manifold $\mathbb{R}_{\underline{r}}^{m \times n}$



- Online-learning procedure [Shalit'12]
- Riemannian conjugate gradient descent [Vandereycken'13]
- Quotient geometry [Mishra-Meyer-Bonnabel-Sepulchre'14; Luo-Li-Zhang'23]

$\rightsquigarrow \mathbb{R}_{\underline{r}}^{m \times n}$ is NOT closed!

How to choose a rank parameter?

Optimization on matrix varieties

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}} f(\mathbf{X}) \\ \text{s. t. } & \mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}_{\leq r}^{m \times n} := \{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} : \text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) \leq r\} \end{aligned}$$

Set of bounded-rank matrices $\mathbb{R}_{\leq r}^{m \times n}$

- closure of $\mathbb{R}_r^{m \times n}$
- *real-algebraic variety*
- more flexible choices of rank

Tangent cone [Schneider-Ushmajew'15]

Given a thin SVD $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^\top$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\mathbf{X}} \mathbb{R}_{\leq r}^{m \times n} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U} & \mathbf{U}^\perp \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{R}^{r \times r} & \mathbb{R}^{r \times (n-r)} \\ \mathbb{R}^{(m-r) \times r} & \mathbb{R}_{\leq r-r}^{(m-r) \times (n-r)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{V}^\perp \end{bmatrix}^\top \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U} & \mathbf{U}_1 & \mathbf{U}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram} \\ \text{A 2x2 grid with shaded top-left and bottom-right quadrants. The top-right and bottom-left quadrants are white. The center cell is also white. Labels: top-left r, top-right \ell, bottom-left r, bottom-right \ell. Arrows point from the labels to their respective quadrants.} \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{V}_1 & \mathbf{V}_2 \end{bmatrix}^\top \end{aligned}$$

with $[\mathbf{U} \ \mathbf{U}_1 \ \mathbf{U}_2] \in \mathcal{O}(m)$, $[\mathbf{V} \ \mathbf{V}_1 \ \mathbf{V}_2] \in \mathcal{O}(n)$, and $\ell = 0, 1, \dots, r - r$

Existing work

Line-search methods

- Projected gradient descent method [Schneider-Uschmajew'15]

$$\mathbf{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{R}_{\leq r}^{m \times n}} \left(\mathbf{X}^{(t)} + \alpha^{(t)} \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{X}^{(t)}} \mathbb{R}_{\leq r}^{m \times n}} (-\nabla f(\mathbf{X}^{(t)})) \right)$$

- Gradient sampling method [Hosseini-Uschmajew'19]
- Riemannian rank-adaptive method [G.-Absil'22]

Optimization on (product) manifold through a lift $(L, R) \mapsto LR^\top$

- Riemannian trust-region method [Levin-Kileel-Boumal'23]
- Gauss–Southwell type methods [Olikier-Uschmajew-Vandereycken'23]

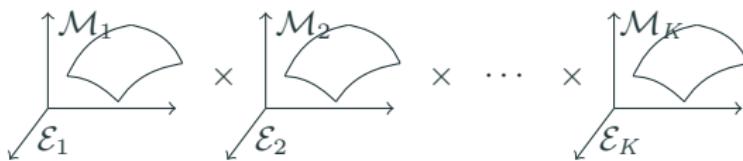
Low-rank optimization in semidefinite programming

- Riemannian method for SDP relaxation [Tang-Toh'23]

Tensor format: a view of product manifold

$$\mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_d}$$

$$\boxed{\min_{\mathcal{X} \in \mathcal{M} := \mathcal{M}_1 \times \mathcal{M}_2 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{M}_K} f(\mathcal{X})}$$



- CANDECOMP/PARAFAC (CP) decomposition [Hitchcock'27]

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{R}^{n_d \times r}$$

- Tucker decomposition [Tucker'63]

$$\mathcal{M} = \text{St}(r_1, n_1) \times \cdots \times \text{St}(r_d, n_d) \times \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times \cdots \times r_d}$$

- Tensor train decomposition [Oseledet'11]

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r_2} \times \mathbb{R}^{r_2 \times n_2 \times r_3} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{R}^{r_d \times n_d}$$

- Tensor ring decomposition [Zhao et al.'16]

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times n_1 \times r_2} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{R}^{r_d \times n_d \times r_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathcal{X}} \quad & f(\mathcal{X}) \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \mathcal{X} \in \mathcal{M}_r \end{aligned}$$

Tensors with fixed Tucker rank

- A smooth manifold [Uschmajew and Vandereycken'13]
- Riemannian conjugate gradient method [Kressner-Steinlechner-Vandereycken'14]
- Riemannian conjugate gradient method under quotient geometry
[Kasai-Mishra'16]

Tensors with fixed tensor train rank

- A smooth manifold [Uschmajew-Vandereycken'13]
- Riemannian conjugate gradient method [Steinlechner'16]
- Quotient geometry [Cai-Huang-Wang-Wei'22]

~~~  $\mathcal{M}_r$  is NOT closed!

How to choose a rank parameter?

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathcal{X}} \quad & f(\mathcal{X}) \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \mathcal{X} \in \mathcal{M}_{\leq r} \end{aligned}$$

$f : \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ : a smooth function

## Tensor train varieties

- Tangent cone [Kutschan'18]
- Rank-estimation method [Vermeylen-Olikier-Absil'23]

## Tucker tensor varieties

- $\mathcal{M}_{\leq r}$ : real-algebraic varieties, closed
- Optimality condition [Luo-Qi'23]

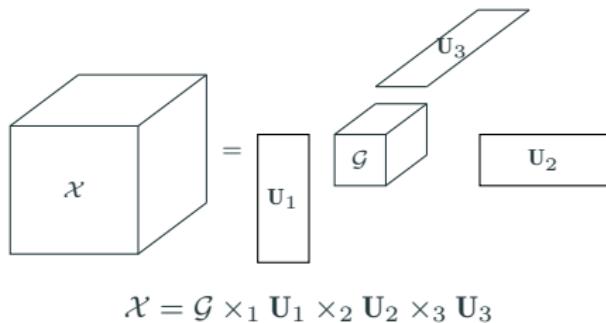


Geometry of  $\mathcal{M}_{\leq r}$  is intricate!

## Geometry of Tucker tensor varieties

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# Tucker decomposition



$\mathcal{G}$ : core tensor  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times r_2 \times r_3}$

$\mathbf{U}_k$ : "principle components"  $\mathbf{U}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k \times r_k}$

## Tucker decomposition [Tucker'63]

- Matrix case:  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{S} \times_1 \mathbf{U} \times_2 \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}^\top$
- Search space:

$$\text{St}(r_1, n_1) \times \cdots \times \text{St}(r_d, n_d) \times \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times \cdots \times r_d}$$

- Storage:

$$n_1 r_1 + \cdots + n_d r_d + r_1 \cdots r_d$$

- Tucker rank:  $\text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X}) = (r_1, \dots, r_d)$
- Fixed-rank Tucker manifold*:  $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{r}} = \{\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_d} : \text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X}) = \mathbf{r}\}$

# Geometry of fixed-rank Tucker manifold

Given  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \cdots \times_d \mathbf{U}_d$  with  $\text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X}) = \underline{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{r}$

**Tangent space** [Koch-Lubich'10]

$$T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{r}} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\mathcal{G}} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \cdots \times_d \mathbf{U}_d + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{G} \times_k \dot{\mathbf{U}}_k \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j : \\ \dot{\mathcal{G}} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times \cdots \times r_d}, \dot{\mathbf{U}}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k \times r_k}, \dot{\mathbf{U}}_k^T \mathbf{U}_k = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

**A new reformulation**

Given  $\mathcal{V} \in T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{r}}$

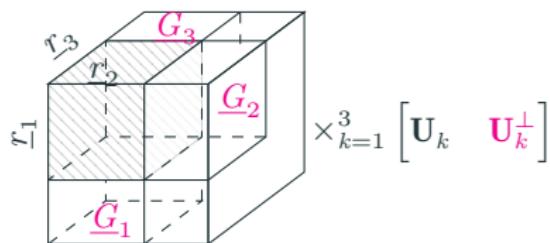
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V} &= \dot{\mathcal{G}} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \cdots \times_d \mathbf{U}_d + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{G} \times_k \dot{\mathbf{U}}_k \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j \\ &= \dot{\mathcal{G}} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \cdots \times_d \mathbf{U}_d + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{G} \times_k (\mathbf{U}_k^\perp \mathbf{R}_k) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j \\ &= \dot{\mathcal{G}} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \cdots \times_d \mathbf{U}_d + \sum_{k=1}^d (\mathcal{G} \times_k \mathbf{R}_k) \times_k \mathbf{U}_k^\perp \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j \end{aligned}$$

# A new reformulation of tangent space

Given  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \cdots \times_d \mathbf{U}_d$  with  $\text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X}) = \underline{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{r}$

An illustration for third-order tensor ( $d = 3$ )

$$\underline{\mathcal{G}}_k := \mathcal{G} \times_k \mathbf{R}_k$$



Orthogonal projection onto  $T_{\mathcal{X}}\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{r}}$

$$P_{T_{\mathcal{X}}\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{r}}} \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A} \times_{k=1}^d P_{\mathbf{U}_k} + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{G} \times_k \left( P_{\mathbf{U}_k}^\perp \left( \mathcal{A} \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j^\top \right)_{(k)} \mathbf{G}_{(k)}^\dagger \right) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j$$

- Projection onto each “block”

# Tangent cone of Tucker tensor varieties

Given  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \cdots \times_d \mathbf{U}_d$  with  $\text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X}) = \underline{\mathbf{r}} \leq \mathbf{r}$

*Tucker tensor varieties:*  $\mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}} = \{\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_d} : \text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X}) \leq \mathbf{r}\}$

(Bouligand) tangent cone

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}} &:= \{\mathcal{V} : \exists t^{(i)} \rightarrow 0, \mathcal{X}^{(i)} \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \text{ in } \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}, \text{ s. t. } \frac{\mathcal{X}^{(i)} - \mathcal{X}}{t^{(i)}} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}\} \\ &\subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_d} \end{aligned}$$

Connection to matrix varieties

$$\mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}} = \bigcap_{k=1}^d \text{ten}_{(k)} \left( \mathbb{R}_{\leq r_k}^{n_k \times n_{-k}} \right)$$

- A **subset** of the intersection of the tangent cone of matrix varieties

$$T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}} \subseteq \bigcap_{k=1}^d \text{ten}_{(k)} \left( T_{\mathbf{X}_{(k)}} \mathbb{R}_{\leq r_k}^{n_k \times n_{-k}} \right)$$

## Tangent cone of Tucker tensor varieties (Cont'd)

### An explicit parametrization

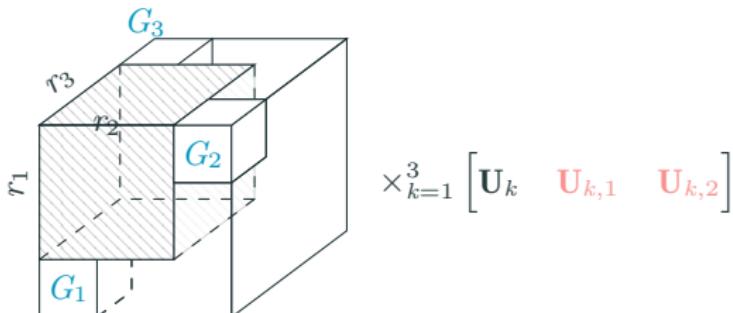
$\mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times \cdots \times r_d}$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_{k,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n_k - r_k) \times \underline{r}_k}$ ,  $\mathbf{U}_{k,1} \in \text{St}(r_k - \underline{r}_k, n_k)$  and  $\mathbf{U}_{k,2} \in \text{St}(n_k - r_k, n_k)$  are arbitrary that satisfy  $[\mathbf{U}_k \ \mathbf{U}_{k,1} \ \mathbf{U}_{k,2}] \in \mathcal{O}(n_k)$  for  $k \in [d]$

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{C} \times_{k=1}^d \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_k & \mathbf{U}_{k,1} \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{G} \times_k (\mathbf{U}_{k,2} \mathbf{R}_{k,2}) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j,$$

### Characterization of tangent cone

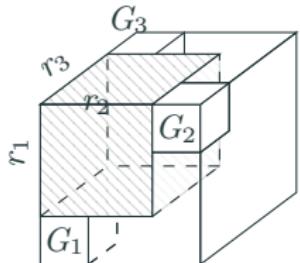
$$T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}} = \bigcap_{k=1}^d \text{ten}_{(k)} \left( T_{\mathbf{X}_{(k)}} \mathbb{R}_{\leq r_k}^{n_k \times n_{-k}} \right)$$

### An illustration for third-order tensor ( $d = 3$ )

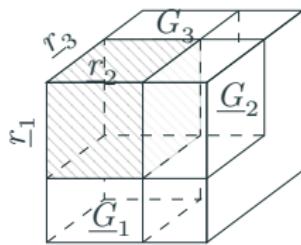


# Connection to matrix varieties

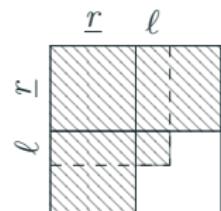
Tangent cone (Tucker)



Tangent space (Tucker)



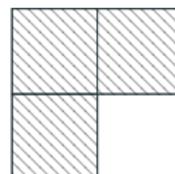
$$d = 2$$



Tangent cone (matrix)

$$\mathbf{r} = \underline{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$r = \underline{r}$$



Tangent space (matrix)

## Geometric methods

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# Projected gradient descent

## Projected gradient descent (P2GD) [Matrix: Schneider-Uschmajew'15]

$$\mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\leq \mathbf{r}} \left( \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \right)$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  Two projections are computationally intractable!

## Approximate projections

- HOSVD instead of  $\mathbf{P}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}$ :

$$\mathbf{P}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}^{\text{HO}}(\mathcal{A}) := \mathbf{P}_{\leq r_d}^d (\mathbf{P}_{\leq r_{d-1}}^{d-1} \cdots (\mathbf{P}_{\leq r_1}^1(\mathcal{A})))$$

- An approximate projection of  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}}$ :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}}(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{A} \times_{k=1}^d \mathbf{P}_{\tilde{\mathbf{S}}_k} + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{G} \times_k \left( \mathbf{P}_{\tilde{\mathbf{S}}_k}^{\perp} \left( \mathcal{A} \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j^\top \right)_{(k)} \mathbf{G}_{(k)}^\dagger \right) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j,$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}_k := [\mathbf{U}_k \ \tilde{\mathbf{U}}_{k,1}]$  is orthogonal

# Gradient-related approximate projection method

$$\mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\leq r}^{\text{HO}} \left( \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \tilde{\mathbf{P}}_{T_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \right)$$

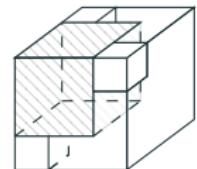
## Gradient-Related Approximate Projection method (GRAP)

- Search direction:  $g^{(t)} = \tilde{\mathbf{P}}_{T_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)}))$
- Step size:  $s^{(t)}$  Armijo backtracking line search
- Update:  $\mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\leq r}^{\text{HO}} (\mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} g^{(t)})$

# Retraction-free search directions

## Revisiting the parametrization of tangent cone

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{V} &= \mathcal{C} \times_{k=1}^d \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_k & \mathbf{U}_{k,1} \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{G} \times_k (\mathbf{U}_{k,2} \mathbf{R}_{k,2}) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j \\ &= \mathcal{V}_0 + \sum_{k=1}^d \mathcal{V}_k\end{aligned}$$



## Surprising observations

$$\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{V}_0 = \mathcal{G} \times_{k=1}^d \mathbf{U}_k + \mathcal{C} \times_{k=1}^d \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_k & \mathbf{U}_{k,1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\in \bigotimes_{k=1}^d \text{span}([\mathbf{U}_k \ \mathbf{U}_{k,1}]) \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{V}_k &= \mathcal{G} \times_{i=1}^d \mathbf{U}_i + \mathcal{G} \times_k (\mathbf{U}_{k,2} \mathbf{R}_{k,2}) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_k \\ &= \mathcal{G} \times_k (\mathbf{U}_k + \mathbf{U}_{k,2} \mathbf{R}_{k,2}) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_k \in \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}\end{aligned}$$

♠ None of any two combination is feasible!

$$\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{V}_0 + \mathcal{V}_k \notin \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}$$

# Approximation of projections

## Retraction-free search directions

$$P_0(\mathcal{A}) := \arg \min_{\mathcal{V}_0} \left\{ \|\mathcal{V}_0 - \mathcal{A}\| : \mathcal{V}_0 = \mathcal{C} \times_{k=1}^d \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{U}_k & \mathbf{U}_{k,1} \end{bmatrix} \in T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r} \right\}$$

$$P_k(\mathcal{A}) := \arg \min_{\mathcal{V}_k} \{ \|\mathcal{V}_k - \mathcal{A}\| : \mathcal{V}_k = \mathcal{G} \times_k (\mathbf{U}_{k,2} \mathbf{R}_{k,2}) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j \in T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r} \}$$

## Approximations

Select basis  $\tilde{\mathbf{U}}_{k,1}$ , and  $\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k := [\mathbf{U}_k \ \tilde{\mathbf{U}}_{k,1}]$  is orthogonal

$$\tilde{P}_0(\mathcal{A}) := \mathcal{A} \times_{k=1}^d P_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k},$$

$$\tilde{P}_k(\mathcal{A}) := \mathcal{G} \times_k \left( P_{\mathbf{U}_k}^\perp \left( \mathcal{A} \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j^\top \right)_{(k)} \mathbf{G}_{(k)}^\dagger \right) \times_{j \neq k} \mathbf{U}_j.$$

## Search direction

$$\hat{P}_{T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}}(\mathcal{A}) := \arg \max_{\mathcal{V} \in \{\tilde{P}_0(\mathcal{A}), \dots, \tilde{P}_d(\mathcal{A})\}} \|\mathcal{V}\|_{\text{F}}$$

$$\mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}}(-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)}))$$

## Retraction-free GRAP method (rfGRAP)

- Search direction:  $g^{(t)} = \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}}(-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)}))$
- Stepsize:  $s^{(t)}$  Armijo backtracking line search
- Update:  $\mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} g^{(t)}$

# Convergence

## Global convergence

- Stationary measurement:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \| P_{T_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \|_F = 0$$

- Complexity:  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{-2})$  iterations to achieve

$$\| P_{T_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \|_F < \epsilon$$

## Local convergence

- Assumption: Łojasiewicz gradient inequality

$$|f(\mathcal{X}) - f(\mathcal{Y})|^{1-\theta} \leq L \| P_{T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{Y})) \|_F$$

- An accumulation point is a limit point
- If  $\text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X}^*) = r$ , then the stationary measure  $\|\text{grad}f(\mathcal{X}^*)\|_F = 0$  and

$$\| \mathcal{X}^{(t)} - \mathcal{X}^* \|_F \leq C \begin{cases} e^{-ct}, & \text{if } \theta = \frac{1}{2}, \\ t^{-\frac{\theta}{1-2\theta}}, & \text{if } 0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

## Tucker rank-adaptive method

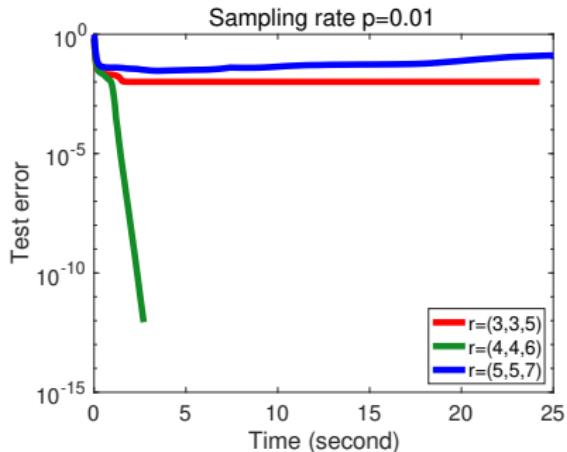
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## Toy example on tensor completion

$$\min_{\mathcal{X} \in \mathcal{M}_r} \| P_\Omega(\mathcal{X}) - P_\Omega(\mathcal{A}) \|_F^2$$

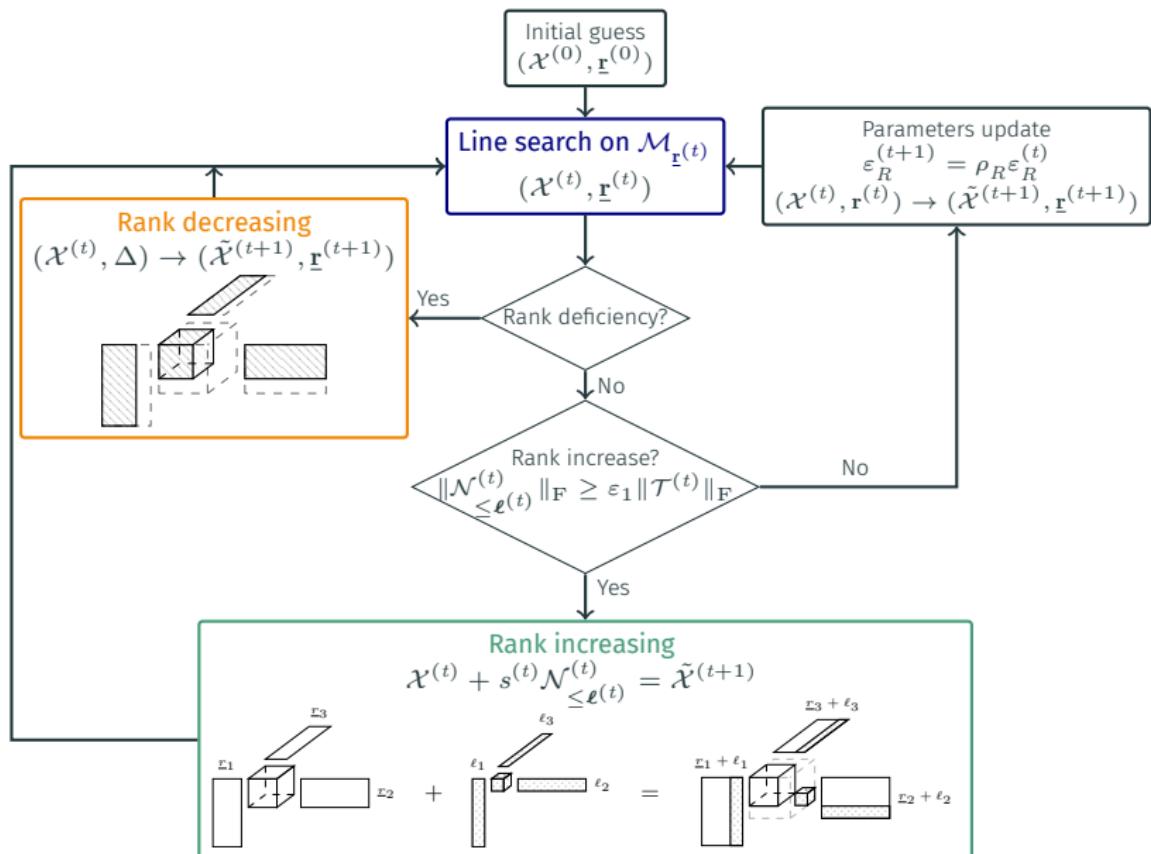
Performance of GeomCG [Kressner et al.'14]

- $\mathcal{A}$ : synthetic Tucker tensor
- Size:  $100 \times 100 \times 200$
- True rank:  $\mathbf{r}^* = (4, 4, 6)$
- Rank parameters:  
 $\mathbf{r} = (3, 3, 5), (4, 4, 6), (5, 5, 7)$

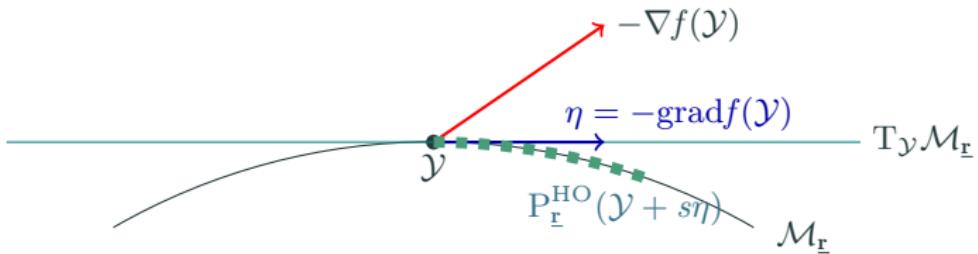


~~> Performance is sensitive to rank selection!

# Flowchart of Tucker rank-adaptive method



## Step 1: Line search on fixed-rank manifold



### Riemannian gradient descent method (RGD)

- Search direction:  $\eta^{(t)} = -\text{grad}f(\mathcal{Y}^{(t)})$
- Stepsize:  $s^{(t)}$  Armijo backtracking line search
- Update:  $\mathcal{Y}^{(t+1)} = P_{\underline{r}^{(t)}}^{\text{HO}}(\mathcal{Y}^{(t)} + s^{(t)}\eta^{(t)})$

## Step 2: Detection of rank deficiency

Given an iterate  $\mathcal{X}$  generated by RGD

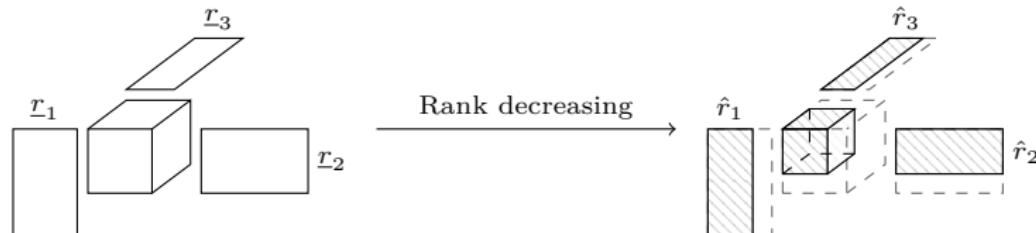
### Ratio of largest and smallest singular values

$$\frac{\sigma_{1,k}}{\sigma_{\underline{r}_k,k}} > \Delta$$

- $\sigma_{1,k} \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{\underline{r}_k,k}$ : singular values of  $\mathbf{X}_{(k)}^{(t)}$
- $\Delta$ : threshold

### Rank-decreasing procedure

- Rank- $\hat{\mathbf{r}}$  truncation of  $\mathcal{X}$ :  $\hat{r}_k := \min \left\{ i : \frac{\sigma_{1,k}}{\sigma_{\underline{r}_k,k}} > \Delta \right\}$



## Step 3: Rank increasing

Searching in “normals” matrix case: [G.-Absil'22]

- Decomposition:  $N_{\leq \ell}(\mathcal{X}) := \mathcal{M}_{\leq \ell} \cap \left( \bigotimes_{k=1}^d \text{span}(U_k)^\perp \right) \subseteq N_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\underline{\ell}}$   
 $T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\underline{\ell}} + N_{\leq \ell}(\mathcal{X}) \subseteq T_{\mathcal{X}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r},$

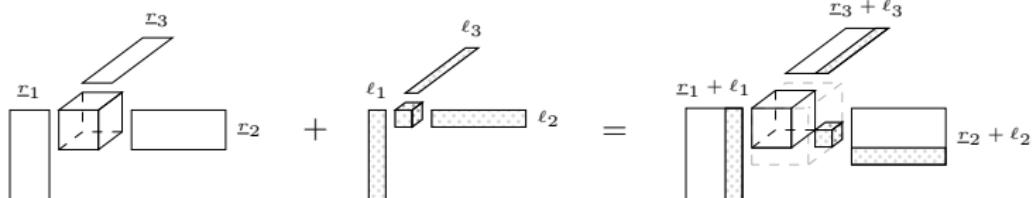
- Line search along  $\mathcal{N}_{\leq \ell} \in N_{\leq \ell}(\mathcal{X})$ :

$$\underline{r} < \text{rank}_{\text{tc}}(\mathcal{X} + s\mathcal{N}_{\leq \ell}) \leq r$$

Given bases  $U_{k,1} \in \text{St}(\ell_k, n_k)$  and  $0 < \ell < r - \underline{r}$

### Rank-increasing procedure

- Compute  $\mathcal{N}_{\leq \ell} := -\nabla f(\mathcal{X}) \times_{k=1}^d P_{U_{k,1}} \in N_{\leq \ell}(\mathcal{X})$
- Stepsize:  $s$  Armijo backtracking line search
- Rank increasing:  $\mathcal{X} + s\mathcal{N}_{\leq \ell}$



$$\text{P2GD} \quad \mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\leq r} \left( \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \right)$$

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# A big picture

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$$\text{P2GD} \quad \mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\leq r} \left( \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \right)$$



$$\text{GRAP} \quad \mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\leq r}^{\text{HO}} \left( \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \tilde{\mathbf{P}}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \right)$$

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$$\text{P2GD} \quad \mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathbf{P}_{\leq \mathbf{r}} \left( \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)})) \right)$$



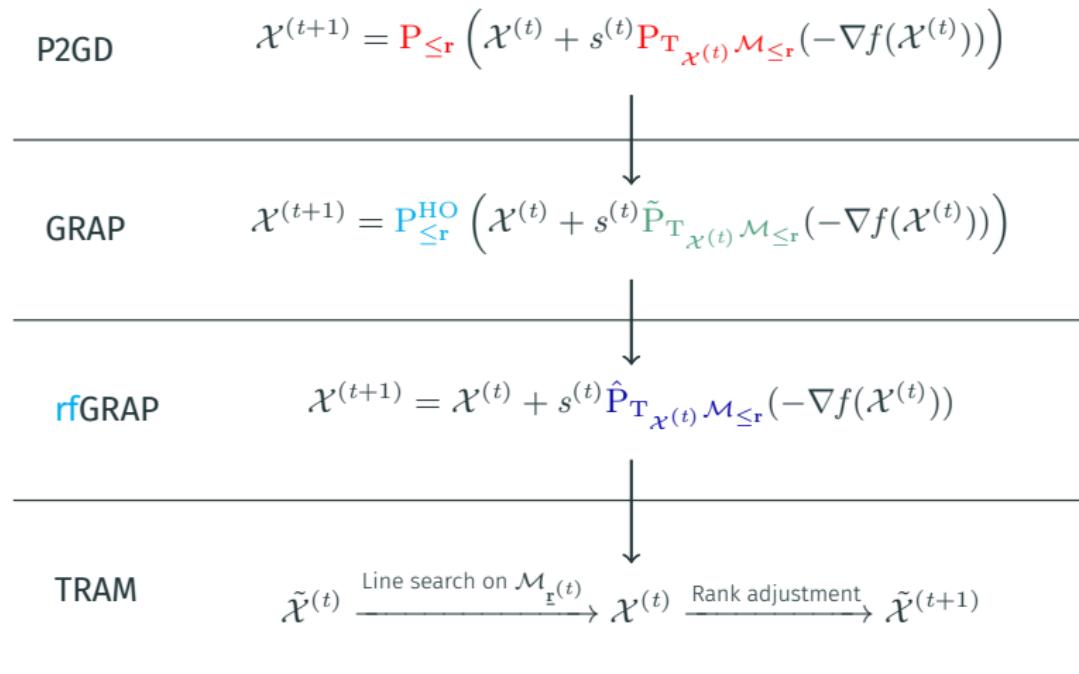
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$$\text{rfGRAP} \quad \mathcal{X}^{(t+1)} = \mathcal{X}^{(t)} + s^{(t)} \hat{\mathbf{P}}_{\mathbf{T}_{\mathcal{X}^{(t)}} \mathcal{M}_{\leq \mathbf{r}}} (-\nabla f(\mathcal{X}^{(t)}))$$

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## Numerical experiments: tensor completion

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- $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times \cdots \times n_d}$ : partially observed on  $\Omega \subseteq [n_1] \times \cdots \times [n_d]$   
 $[n_k] = \{1, 2, \dots, n_k\}, k = 1, \dots, d$

## Problem formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \| P_\Omega(\mathcal{X}) - P_\Omega(\mathcal{A}) \|_F^2 \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \mathcal{X} \in \mathcal{M}_{\leq r}, \end{aligned}$$

- $P_\Omega$ : the projection operator onto  $\Omega$
- $\mathbf{r} = (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_d)$ : an array of  $d$  positive integers

## Running platform

- Workstation with two Intel(R) Xeon(R) Processors Gold 6330 @ 2.00GHz×28 and 512GB of RAM
- Matlab R2019b under Ubuntu 22.04.3

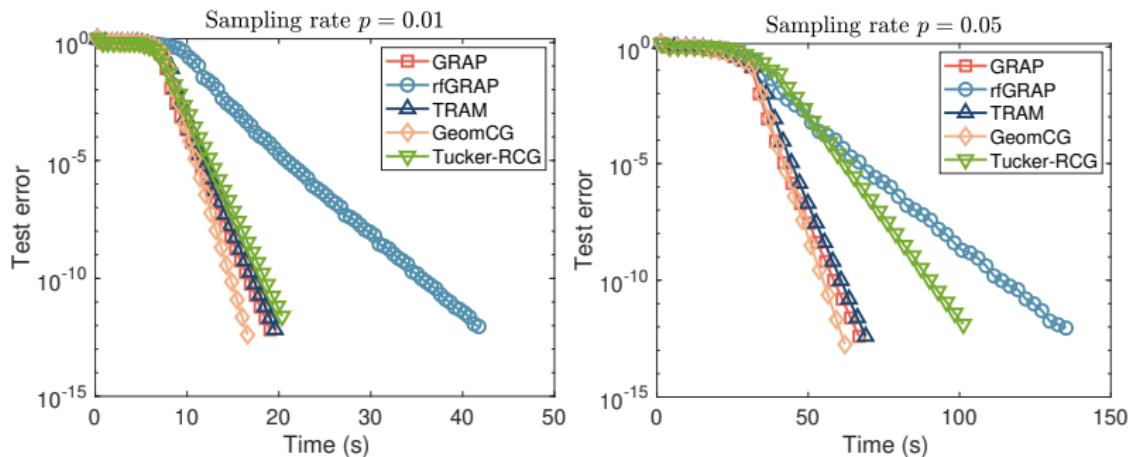
## Compared methods

- ★ **GRAP:** gradient-related approximate-projection method *Tucker*
- ★ **rfGRAP:** retraction-free GRAP *Tucker*
- ★ **TRAM:** Tucker rank-adaptive method *Tucker*
- **GeomCG:** Riemannian conjugate gradient *Tucker* [Kressner-Steinlechner-Vandereycken'14]
- **Tucker-RCG:** preconditioned Riemannian conjugate gradient *Tucker* [Kasai-Mishra'16]
- **CP-AltMin:** graph-based alternating minimization *CP* [Guan-Dong-G.-Absil-Glineur'20]
- **TT-RCG:** Riemannian conjugate gradient *TT* [Steinlechner'15]
- **TR-RGD:** preconditioned Riemannian gradient descent *TR* [G.-Peng-Yuan'24]

## Synthetic data: test with true rank

True rank  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}^*$

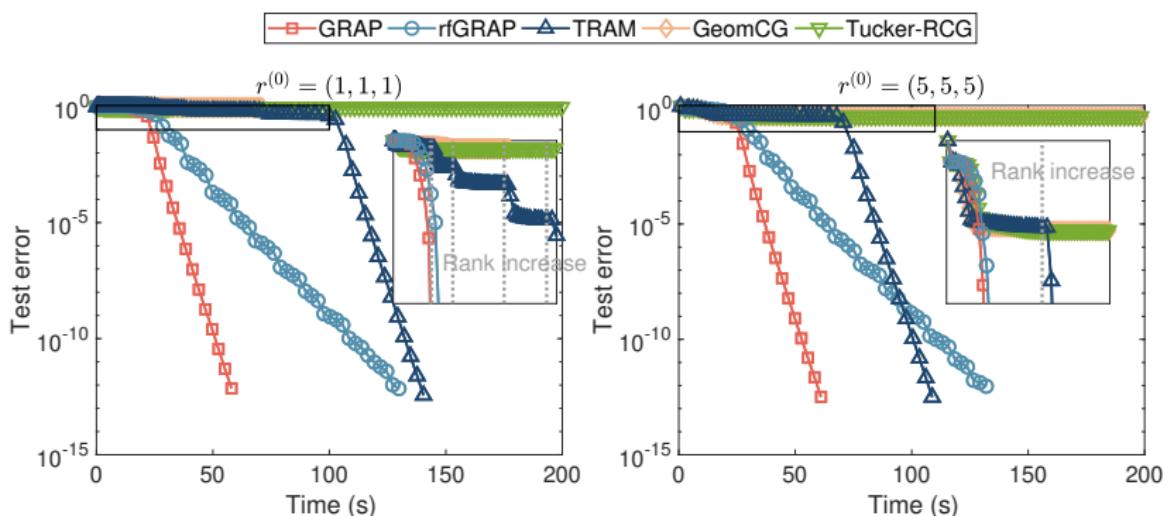
- $\mathcal{A}$ : Low-rank tensor with  $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 3$ , and Tucker rank  $\mathbf{r}^* = (6, 6, 6)$
- $p = 0.01, 0.05$



## Synthetic data: test with under-estimated initial rank

Under-estimated initial rank  $r^{(0)} < r^*$

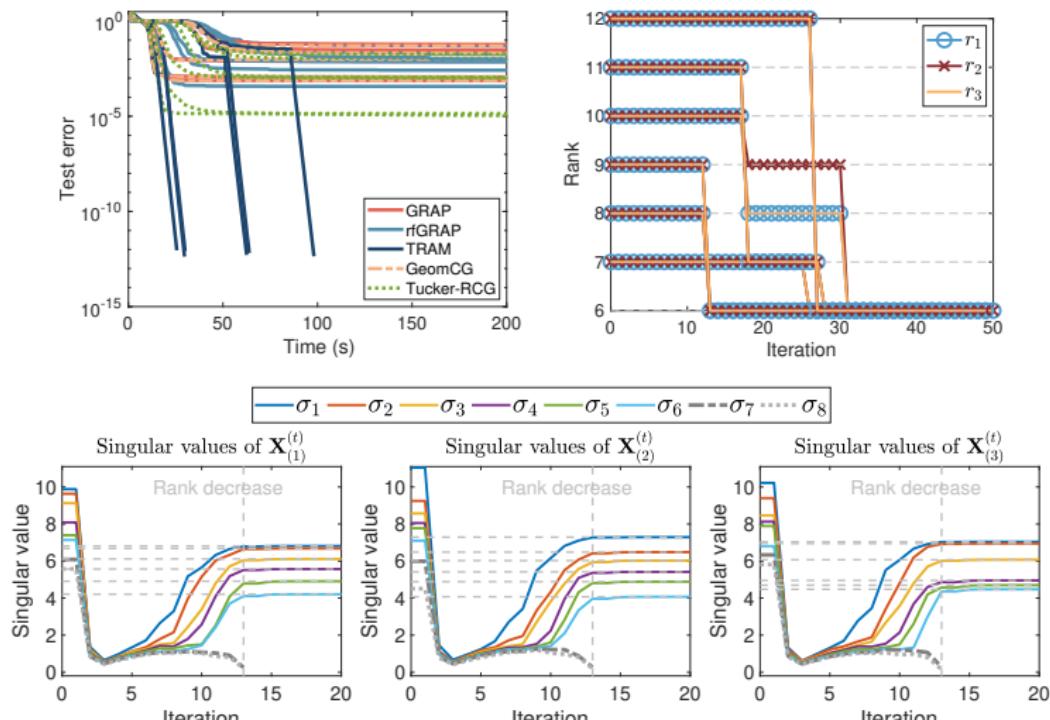
- $\mathcal{A}$ : Low-rank tensor with  $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 3$ , and Tucker rank  $r^* = (6, 6, 6)$
- $p = 0.05$ ,  $r^{(0)} = (1, 1, 1), (5, 5, 5)$



# Synthetic data: test with over-estimated rank

## Over-estimated initial rank $\mathbf{r} > \mathbf{r}^*$

- $\mathcal{A}$ : Low-rank tensor with  $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 = 3$ , and Tucker rank  $\mathbf{r}^* = (6, 6, 6)$
- $p = 0.01$ ,  $\mathbf{r} = (7, 7, 7), (8, 8, 8), \dots, (12, 12, 12)$



## Two hyperspectral images

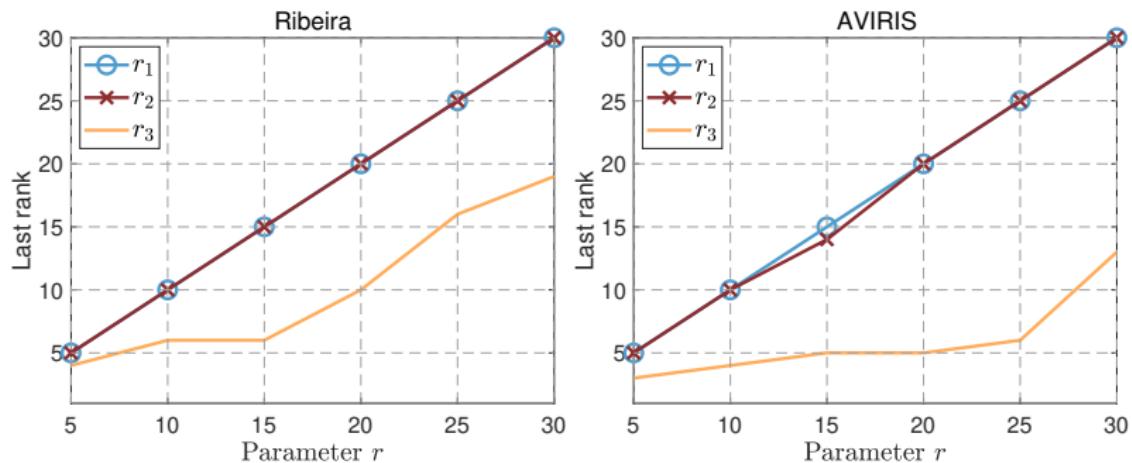
- Sampling rate  $p = 0.1$ .
- Tucker rank  $\mathbf{r} = (5, 5, 5), (10, 10, 10), \dots, (30, 30, 30)$



Left: “Ribeira”      Right: “AVIRIS”

# Hyperspectral images: last rank

Last rank obtained in TRAM



(15, 15, 6) coincides with fine-tuning (Kressner et al.'14)!

# Hyperspectral images: relative errors and PSNR

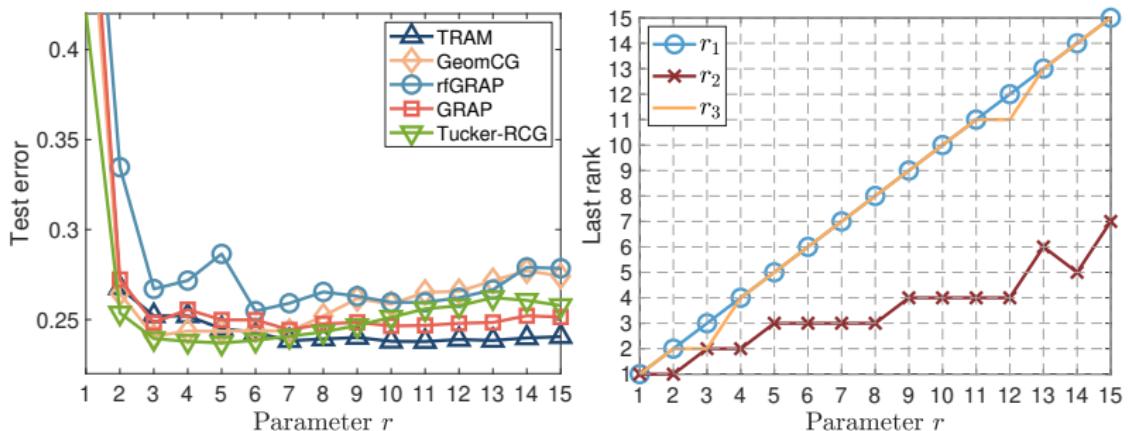
| Tucker rank $r$<br>$(r_1, r_2, r_3)$ | Results | GRAP           | rfGRAP         | TRAM           | GeomCG         | Tucker-RCG     |
|--------------------------------------|---------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| "Ribeira"                            |         |                |                |                |                |                |
| (5, 5, 5)                            | PSNR    | <b>24.9351</b> | 24.9325        | <b>24.9351</b> | <b>24.9351</b> | 24.9350        |
|                                      | relerr  | <b>0.2984</b>  | 0.2985         | <b>0.2984</b>  | <b>0.2984</b>  | <b>0.2984</b>  |
| (10, 10, 10)                         | PSNR    | 26.8481        | 26.8482        | <b>26.8648</b> | 26.8483        | 26.8482        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.2394         | 0.2394         | <b>0.2389</b>  | 0.2394         | 0.2394         |
| (15, 15, 15)                         | PSNR    | 28.3451        | 28.3450        | <b>28.4127</b> | 28.3451        | 28.3451        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.2015         | 0.2015         | <b>0.1999</b>  | 0.2015         | 0.2015         |
| (20, 20, 20)                         | PSNR    | 29.3908        | 29.3934        | <b>29.5197</b> | 29.3917        | 29.3924        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.1786         | 0.1786         | <b>0.1760</b>  | 0.1786         | 0.1786         |
| (25, 25, 25)                         | PSNR    | 30.2324        | 30.1852        | <b>30.3897</b> | 30.2315        | 30.2332        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.1621         | 0.1630         | <b>0.1592</b>  | 0.1622         | 0.1621         |
| (30, 30, 30)                         | PSNR    | 30.7088        | 30.7182        | <b>30.9921</b> | 30.7579        | 30.7566        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.1535         | 0.1533         | <b>0.1486</b>  | 0.1526         | 0.1527         |
| "AVIRIS"                             |         |                |                |                |                |                |
| (5, 5, 5)                            | PSNR    | <b>31.7181</b> | <b>31.7181</b> | 31.6955        | <b>31.7181</b> | <b>31.7181</b> |
|                                      | relerr  | <b>0.0835</b>  | <b>0.0835</b>  | 0.0837         | <b>0.0835</b>  | <b>0.0835</b>  |
| (10, 10, 10)                         | PSNR    | 33.7393        | 33.7393        | <b>33.7517</b> | 33.7393        | 33.7394        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.0661         | 0.0661         | <b>0.0660</b>  | 0.0661         | 0.0661         |
| (15, 15, 15)                         | PSNR    | 35.1308        | 35.1157        | <b>35.1427</b> | 35.1144        | 35.1251        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.0564         | 0.0564         | <b>0.0563</b>  | 0.0565         | 0.0564         |
| (20, 20, 20)                         | PSNR    | 36.1776        | 36.1777        | <b>36.5438</b> | 36.1781        | 36.1780        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.0500         | 0.0500         | <b>0.0479</b>  | 0.0500         | 0.0500         |
| (25, 25, 25)                         | PSNR    | 36.6010        | 36.6430        | <b>37.5433</b> | 36.6142        | 36.6002        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.0476         | 0.0473         | <b>0.0427</b>  | 0.0475         | 0.0476         |
| (30, 30, 30)                         | PSNR    | 36.3106        | 36.4263        | <b>37.4879</b> | 36.1278        | 36.1505        |
|                                      | relerr  | 0.0492         | 0.0485         | <b>0.0430</b>  | 0.0502         | 0.0501         |

# Movie ratings: different ranks

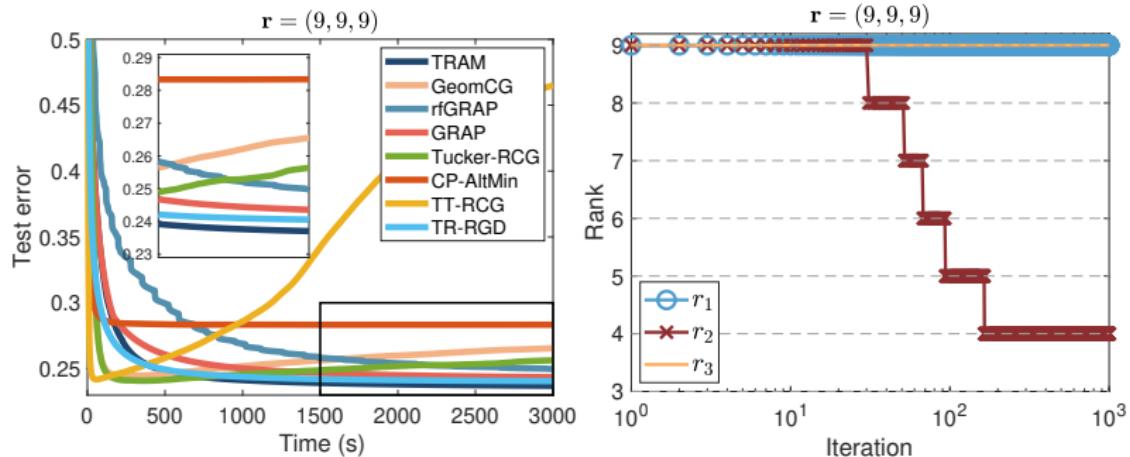
## MovieLens 1M dataset

[<https://grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/1m/>]

- 6040 users, 3952 movies, 150 periods, 1M ratings
- $|\Omega| = 8 \times 10^5$ ,  $|\Gamma| = 2 \times 10^5$ , and  $p = 2.23 \times 10^{-4}$
- $\mathbf{r} = (1, 1, 1), (2, 2, 2), \dots, (15, 15, 15)$



## Movie ratings: comparison with other methods



Low-rank structure on mode two (movies)!

# Conclusion and perspectives

## Take-home notes

- Geometry of Tucker tensor varieties
- Geometric methods: GRAP and rfGRAP
- Rank-adaptive methods: TRAM
- Apocalypse-free methods converging to stationary points

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