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Low-Rank Tensor Decompositions for Large Sparse Count Data

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Low-Rank Tensor Decompositions in Data Analysis

- What are they?
- Why are they useful?
- How much data is required to use them reliably?



Low-Rank Tensor Decompositions



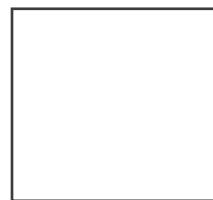
Tensors: d-way Data Arrays

Vector
 $d = 1$



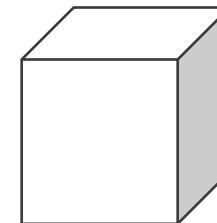
\mathbf{x}

Matrix
 $d = 2$



\mathbf{X}

Tensor
 $d = 3$



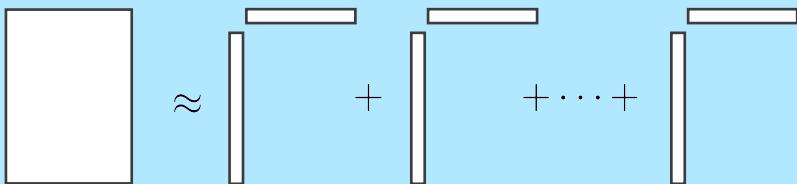
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We refer to data arrays with 3 or more ways as *tensors*.

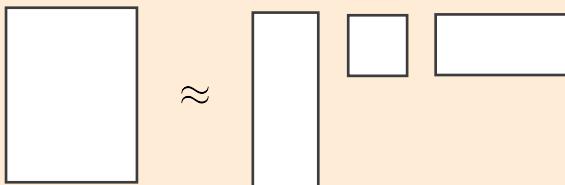
Low-Rank Decompositions: Two Points of View

Low-Rank Matrix Decompositions

Viewpoint 1: Sum of vector outer products, useful for interpretation



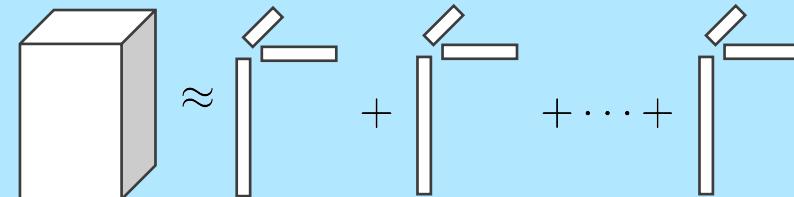
Viewpoint 2: High-variance subspaces, useful for compression



Singular value decomposition (SVD), eigendecomposition (EVD), nonnegative matrix factorization (NMF), etc.

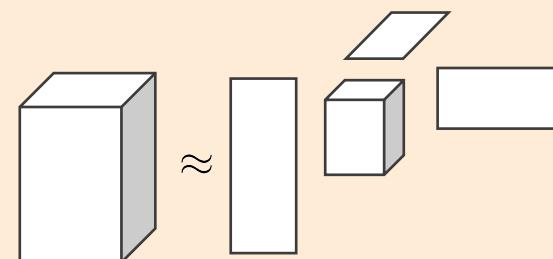
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CP Model: Sum of d -way vector outer products, useful for interpretation



Canonical Polyadic, CANDECOMP, PARAFAC, CP

Tucker Model: Project onto high-variance subspaces to reduce dimensionality



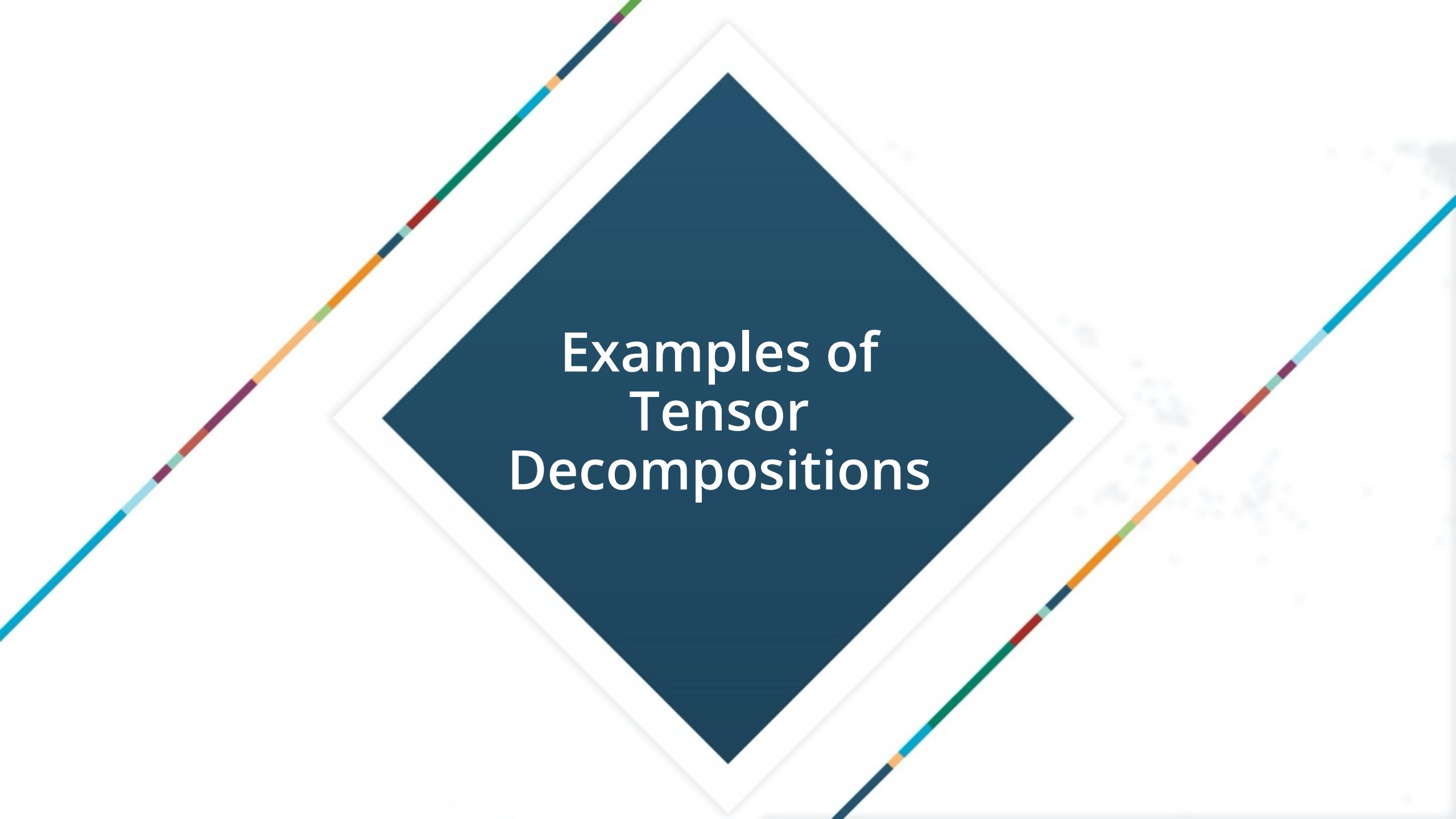
HO-SVD, Best Rank- $(\mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{R}_2, \dots, \mathbf{R}_d)$ decomposition

Other models for compression include hierarchical Tucker, tensor train, tensor ring, tensor network, etc.



Low-Rank Decompositions: Benefits

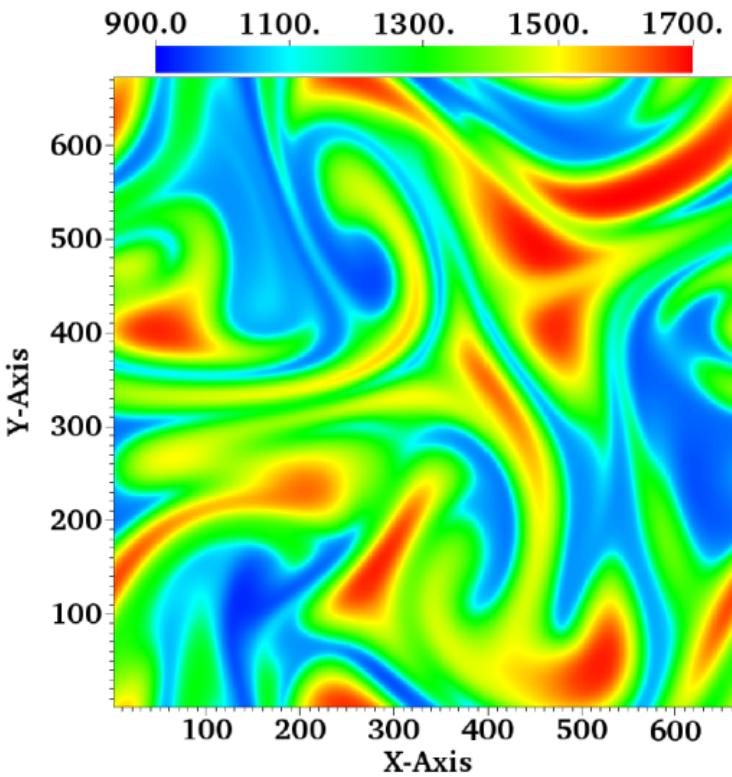
- Unsupervised data models
- Reduced memory usage
- Noise reduction
- Identification of most important patterns and/or strongest signals in data
- Interpretability of complex data relationships



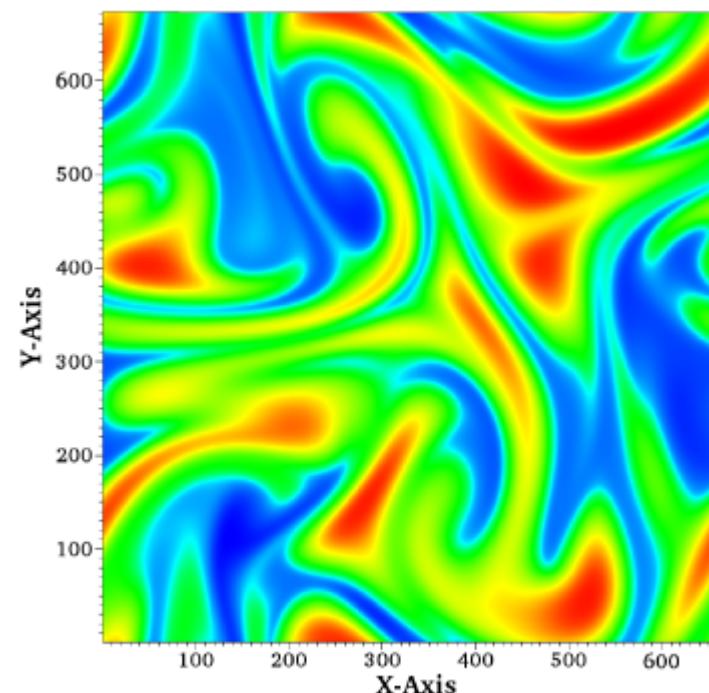
Examples of Tensor Decompositions

Tucker Decompositions: Scientific Computing Data Compression

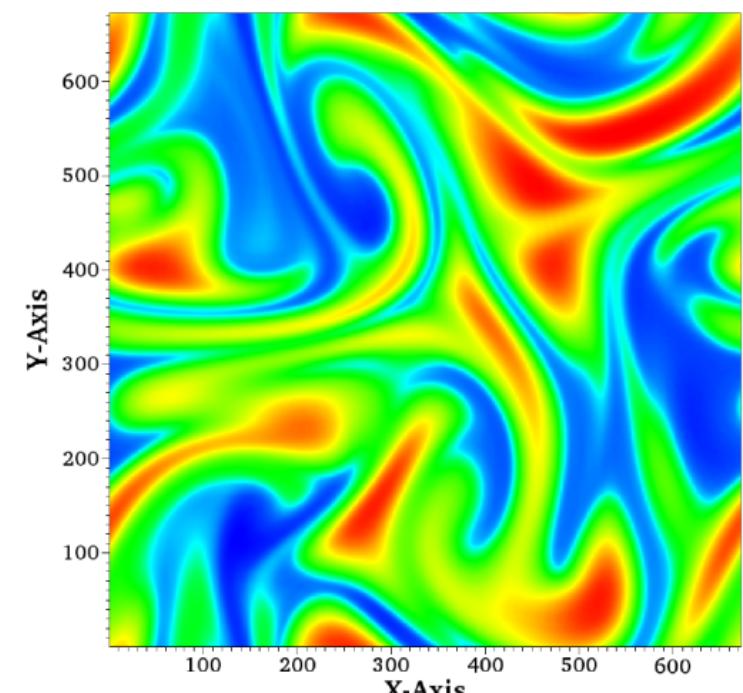
Contour plots of temperature (Kelvin) for combustion processes using simulation data



Original Data
(at one time instance)



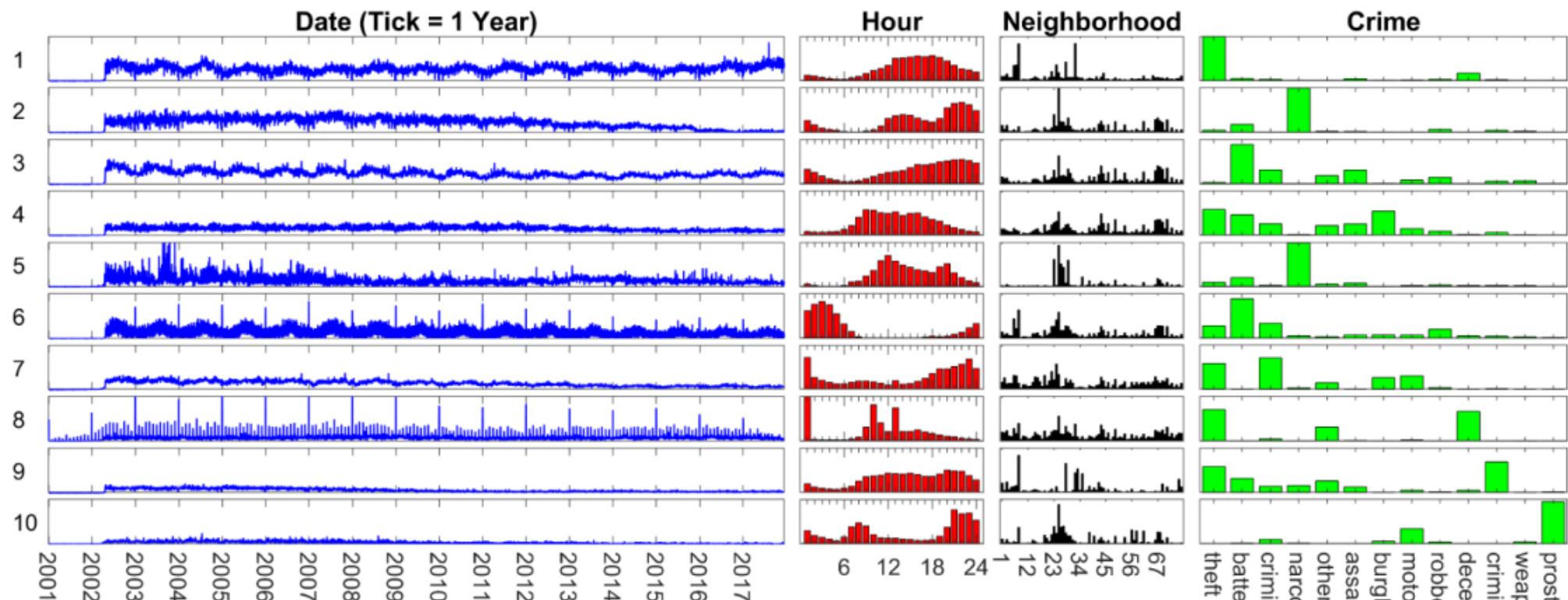
Low-Rank Tensor Data
(~10X compression)



Low-Rank Tensor Data
(~700X compression)

CP Decompositions: Extracting Patterns from Count Data

Crime reports in the city of Chicago, 2001-2017



Patterns are groups of latent features (each row of model vector plots).

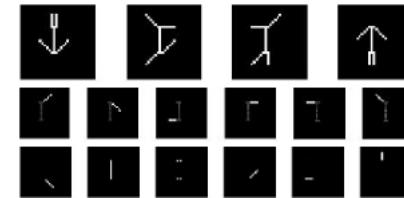


Low-Rank Tensor Decompositions: Numerous Other Applications

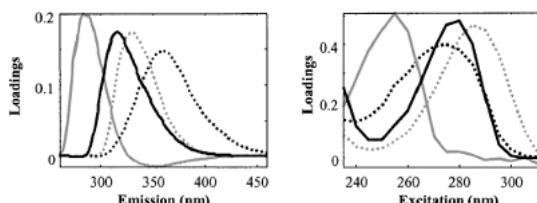
- Modeling fluorescence excitation-emission data (chemometrics)
- Signal processing
- Brain imaging (e.g., fMRI) data
- Network analysis and link prediction
- Image compression and classification; texture analysis
- Text analysis, e.g., multi-way LSI
- Approximating Newton potentials, stochastic PDEs, etc.
- Collaborative filtering
- Higher-order graph/image matching
- Neural network model compression



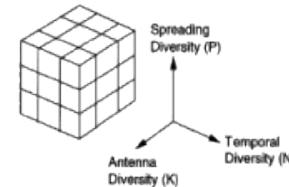
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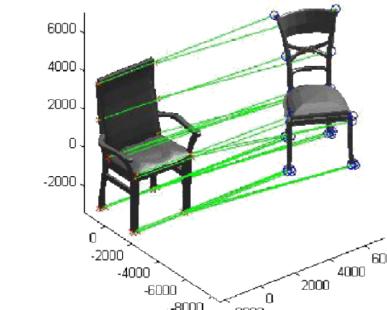
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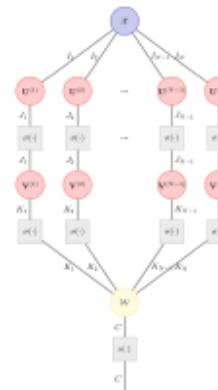
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$$\mathcal{L}(x, t, \omega; u) = f(x, t, \omega) \quad (x, t) \in \mathcal{D} \times [0, T]$$

$$\mathcal{B}(x, t, \omega; u) = g(x, t) \quad (x, t) \in \partial\mathcal{D} \times [0, T]$$

$$\mathcal{I}(x, 0, \omega; u) = h(x, \omega) \quad x \in \mathcal{D},$$

Doostan, Iaccarino, and Etemadi,
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Low-Rank Decompositions & Data Sampling

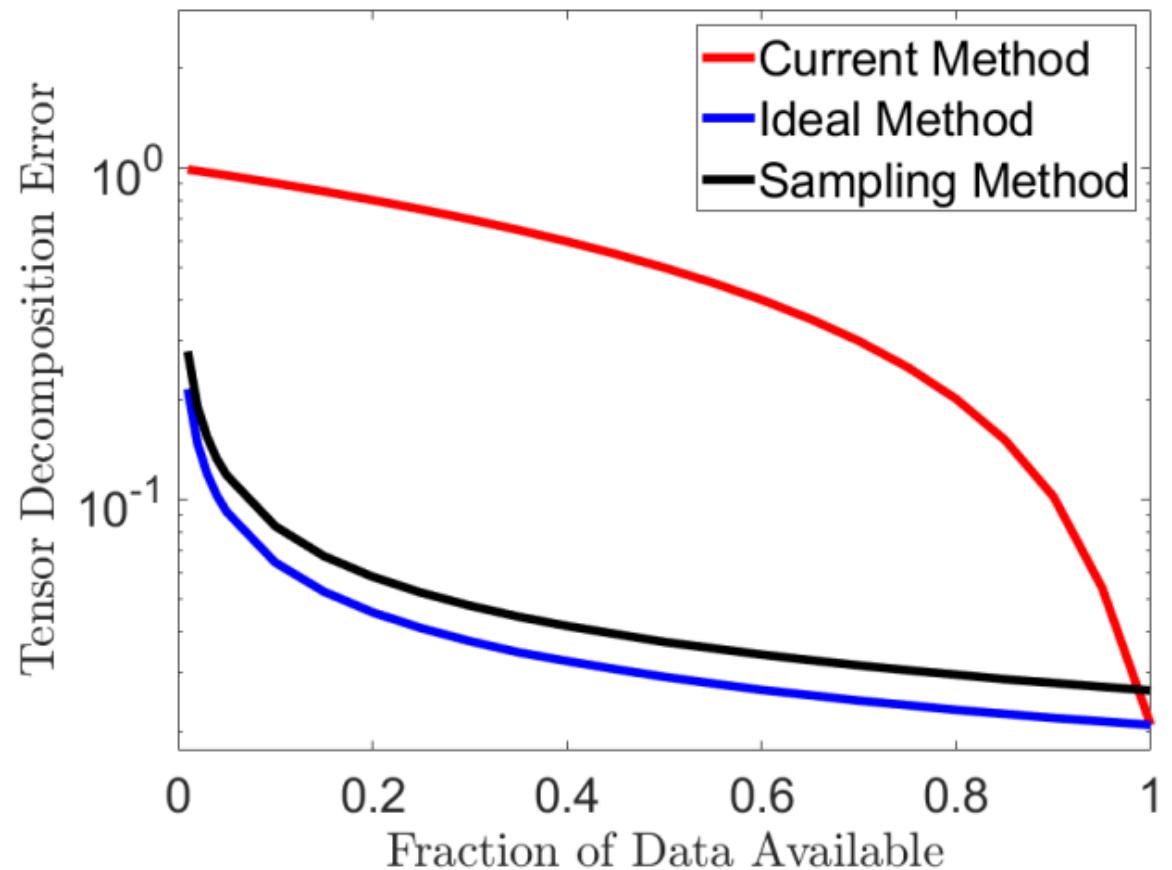


Large-Scale Data Analysis: Two Approaches

- Scale up computation
- Scale down data

CP Decompositions using Sampling for Sparse Count Data

- **Sparse data challenge:** determining which zeros are true values and which are placeholders in the data arrays
- **Our solution:** ignore zeros and fit tensor decompositions using only samples of non-zero values
- **Benefits:**
 - Better than assuming all zeros are true values (current methods)
 - No *a priori* knowledge of zeros needed (ideal method)
 - Can prove that only a small constant multiple of error will be incurred (our sampling method)





Conclusions

- Many complex datasets can be modeled using low-rank tensor decompositions
- Low-rank decompositions can provide compression and interpretability of data
- Randomized tensor decompositions via data sampling can lead to great savings in terms of computation and memory usage at a modest cost in increased error
 - This is just the beginning of research in this area

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