

Online Nonnegative Matrix Factorization and Applications:

Using matrix factorizations for interpretability

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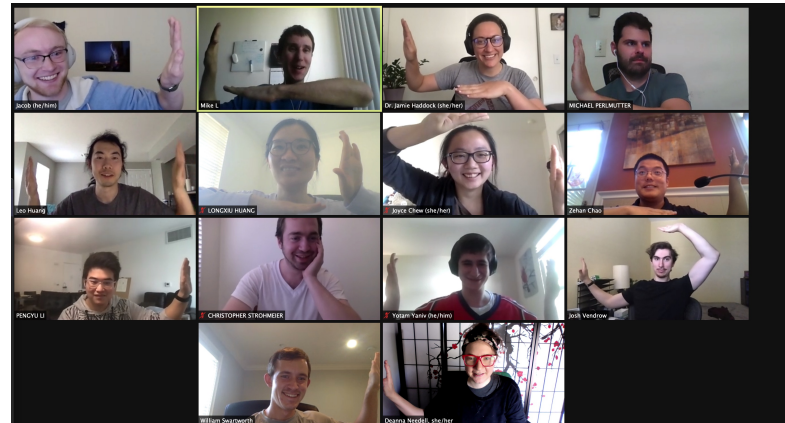
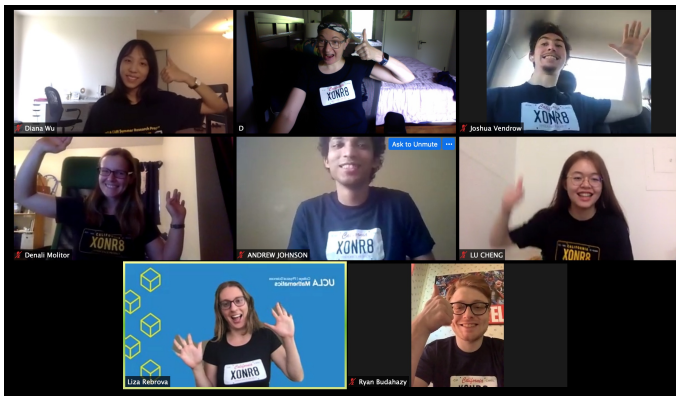
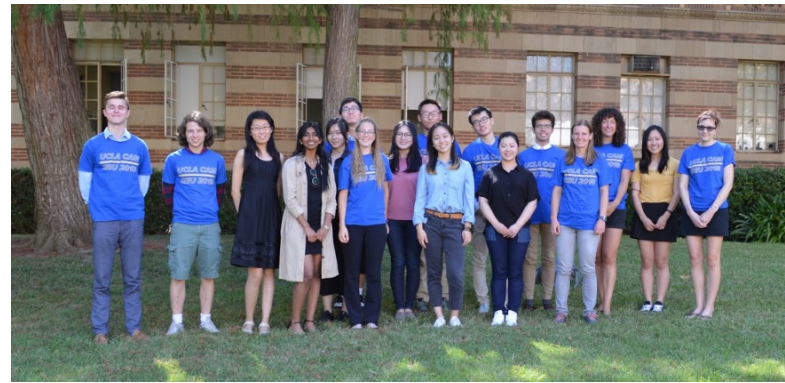


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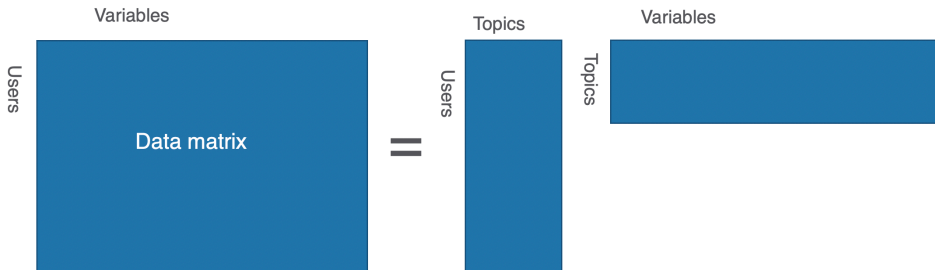


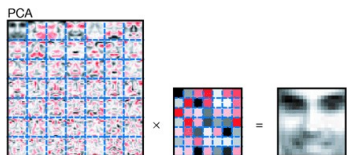
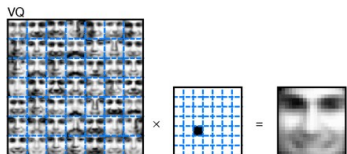
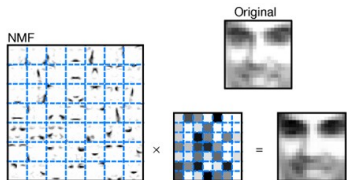
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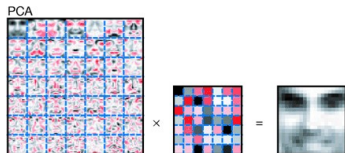
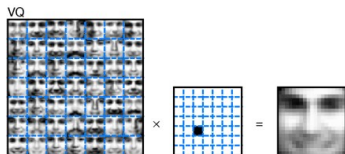
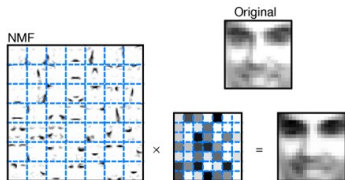
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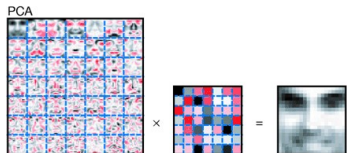
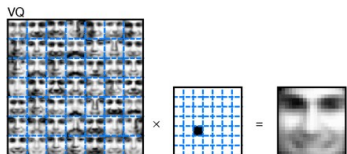
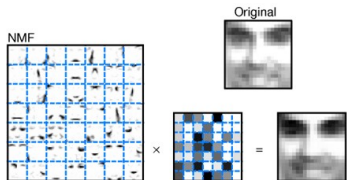


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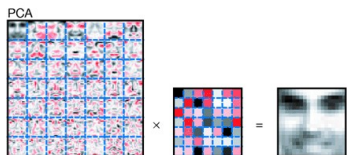
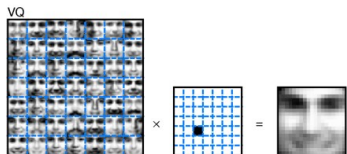
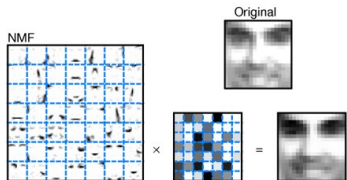
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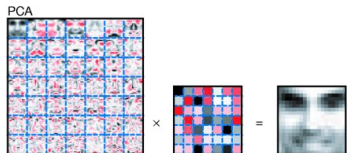
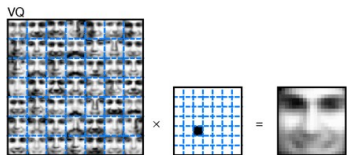
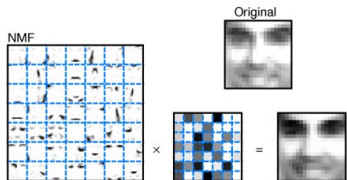
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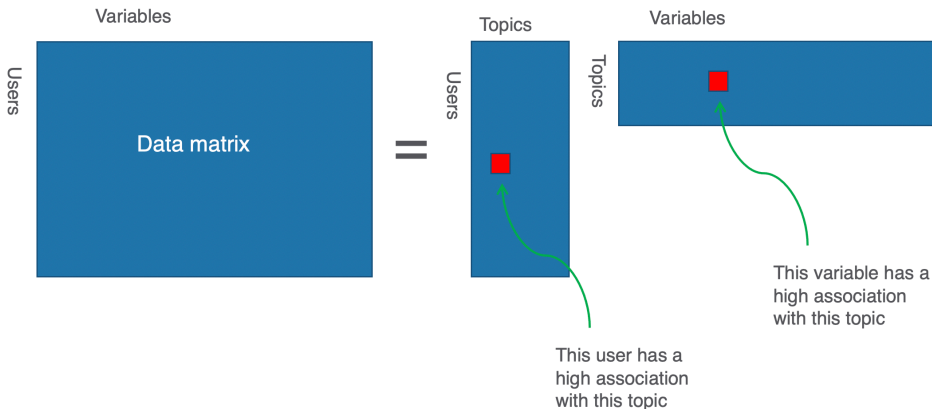


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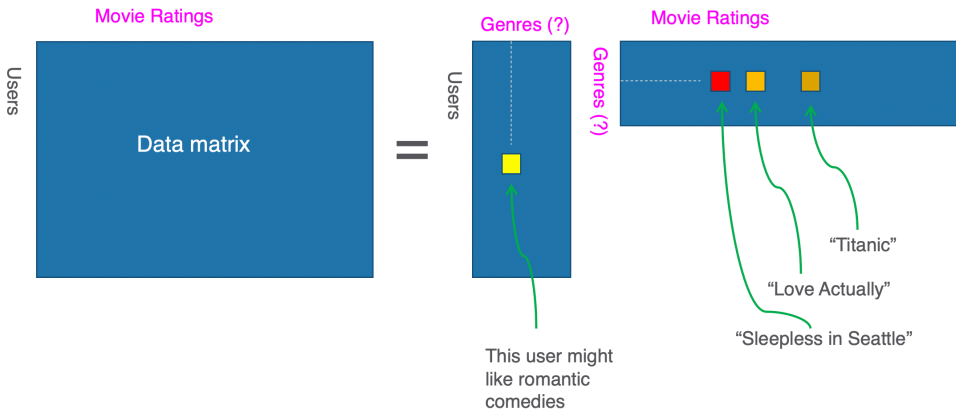


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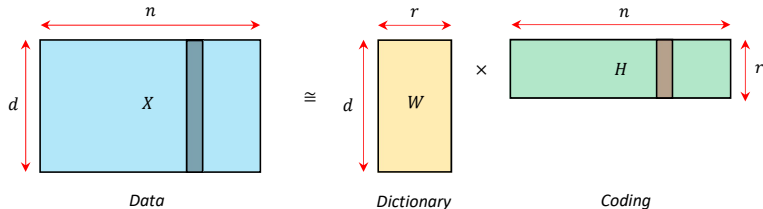
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- ▶ The goal of **nonnegative matrix factorization** (NMF) is to factorize a data matrix $X \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{d \times n}$ into a pair of low-rank nonnegative matrices $W \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}$ and $H \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$ by solving the following optimization problem

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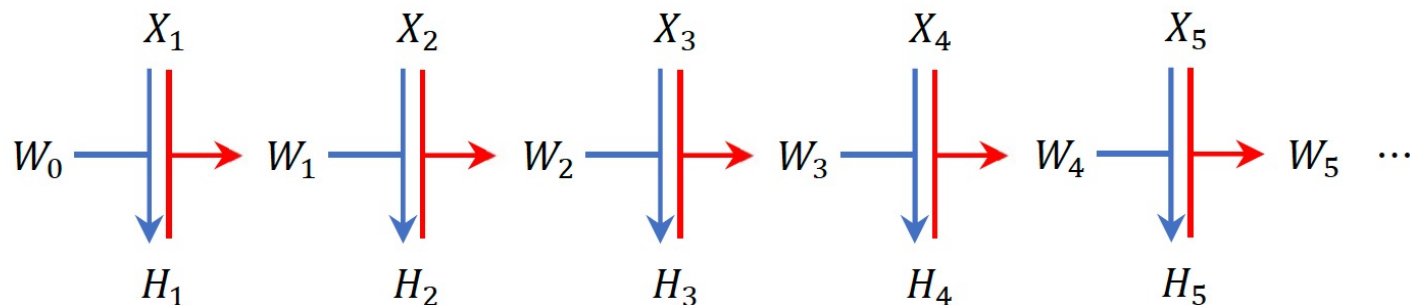
where $\|A\|_F^2 = \sum_{i,j} A_{ij}^2$ denotes the matrix Frobenius norm.

- ▶ $\text{Data} \approx \text{Dictionary} \times \text{Coding}$



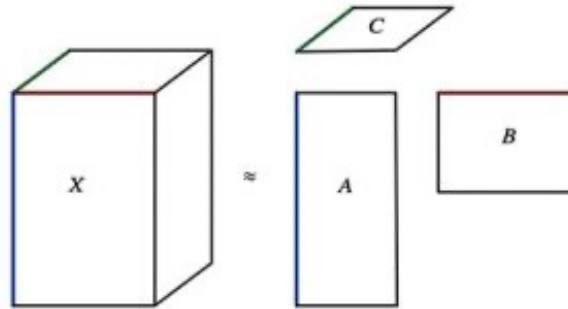
Online NMF

- Considers data that is streaming in over time
- *Learns a factorization that is best (in expectation)*
- Can be used for prediction in time series data
 - Uses “windows” across time to update factors and then predicts into a future window using one of the factors

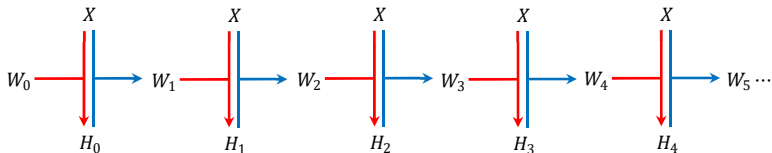


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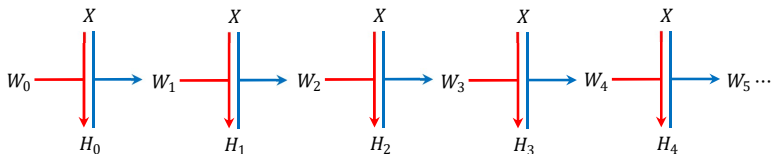
- Can be extended to tensors in a (nontrivial but) analogous way



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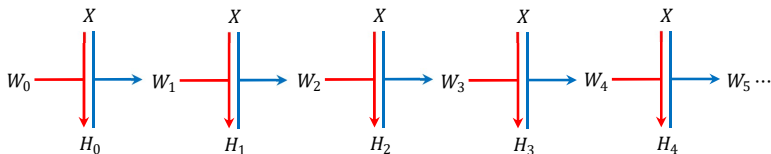
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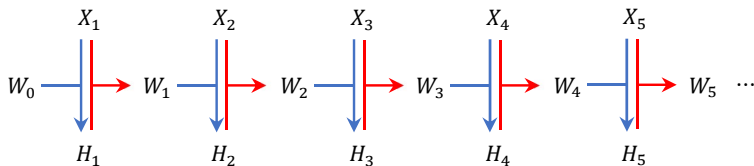
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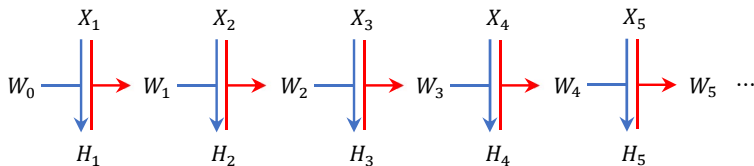
- It is known that the error $\|X - WH\|_F^2$ is non-increasing under the above update, but there is no guarantee to converge to a stationary point.

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- ▶ Suppose $(X_t)_{t \geq 1}$ is an irreducible Markov chain on a sample space Ω with unique stationary measure π . The goal of ONMF problem is to construct a sequence $(W_t, H_t)_{t \geq 1}$ of dictionary $W_t \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times d}$ and a coding $H_t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{r \times n}$ such that (almost surely)

$$\|X_t - W_{t-1} H_t\|_F^2 \longrightarrow \inf_{W \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}, H \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}} \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \pi} [\|X - WH\|_F^2]$$

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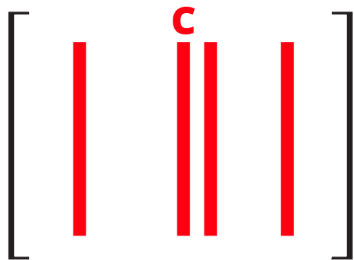
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- $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$,

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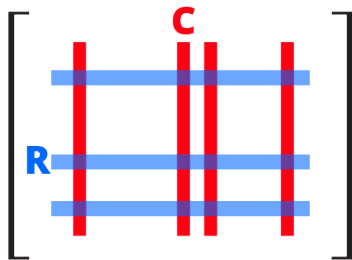
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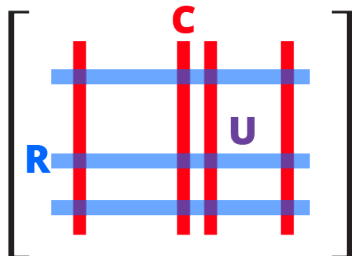
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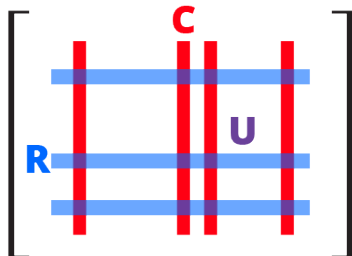
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Theorem

If $\text{rank}(U) = \text{rank}(A)$, then

$$A = CU^\dagger R.$$



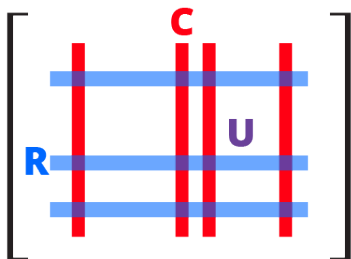
Question

Can the matrix CUR decomposition be generalized to the multidimensional data structure (i.e., tensor)?

Tensor CUR Decompositions

Motivation

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ with CUR decomposition of $A = CU^\dagger R$. Then
 $A = CU^\dagger R = CU^\dagger UU^\dagger R = U \times_1 (CU^\dagger) \times_2 (R^T(U^T)^\dagger)$.



Characterizations of Tensor CUR Decompositions

(A taste...)

Theorem (Cai–Hamm–Huang–N, 2021)

(Chidori CUR) Let $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times \dots \times d}$ with $\text{rank}(\mathcal{A}) = (r, \dots, r)$. Let $I_i \subseteq [d]$. Set $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{A}(I_1, \dots, I_n)$, $C_i = \mathcal{A}_{(i)}(:, \mathbf{J}_i := \bigotimes_{j \neq i} I_j)$ and $U_i = C_i(I_i, :)$. Then the following are equivalent:

- 1 $\text{rank}(U_i) = r$,
- 2 $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{R} \times_1 \underbrace{(C_1 U_1^\dagger) \times_2 \dots \times_n (C_n U_n^\dagger)}_{\text{CUR}},$
- 3 $\text{rank}(\mathcal{R}) = (r, \dots, r)$,
- 4 $\text{rank}(\mathcal{A}_{(i)}(I_i, :)) = r$ for all $i \in [n]$.

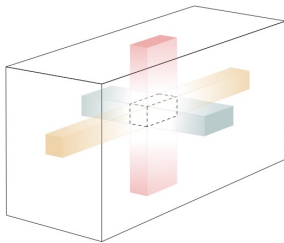
Moreover, if the above statements hold, then $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A} \times_{i=1}^n (C_i C_i^\dagger)$.

Characterizations of Tensor CUR Decompositions

Theorem (Cai–Hamm–Huang–N, 2021)

(Fiber CUR): Let $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times \dots \times d}$ with $\text{rank}(\mathcal{A}) = (r, \dots, r)$. Let $I_i \subseteq [d]$ and $J_i \subseteq [d^{n-1}]$. Set $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{A}(I_1, \dots, I_n)$, $C_i = \mathcal{A}_{(i)}(:, J_i)$ and $U_i = C_i(I_i, :)$. Then the following statements are equivalent

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- 3 $\text{rank}(C_i) = r$ for all $i \in [n]$ and $\text{rank}(\mathcal{R}) = (r, \dots, r)$,
- 4 $\text{rank}(C_i) = r$ and $\text{rank}(\mathcal{A}_{(i)}(I_i, :)) = r$ for all $i \in [n]$.



(Thanks Dustin Mixon)



Figure 1: Illustration of Chidori CUR decomposition à la Theorem 3.1 of a 3-mode tensor in the case when the indices I_i are each an interval and $J_i = \otimes_{j \neq i} I_j$. The matrix C_1 is obtained by unfolding the red subtensor along mode 1, C_2 by unfolding the green subtensor along mode 2, and C_3 by unfolding the yellow subtensor along mode 3. The dotted line shows the boundaries of \mathcal{R} . In this case $U_i = \mathcal{R}_{(i)}$ for all i .

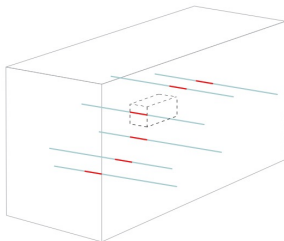


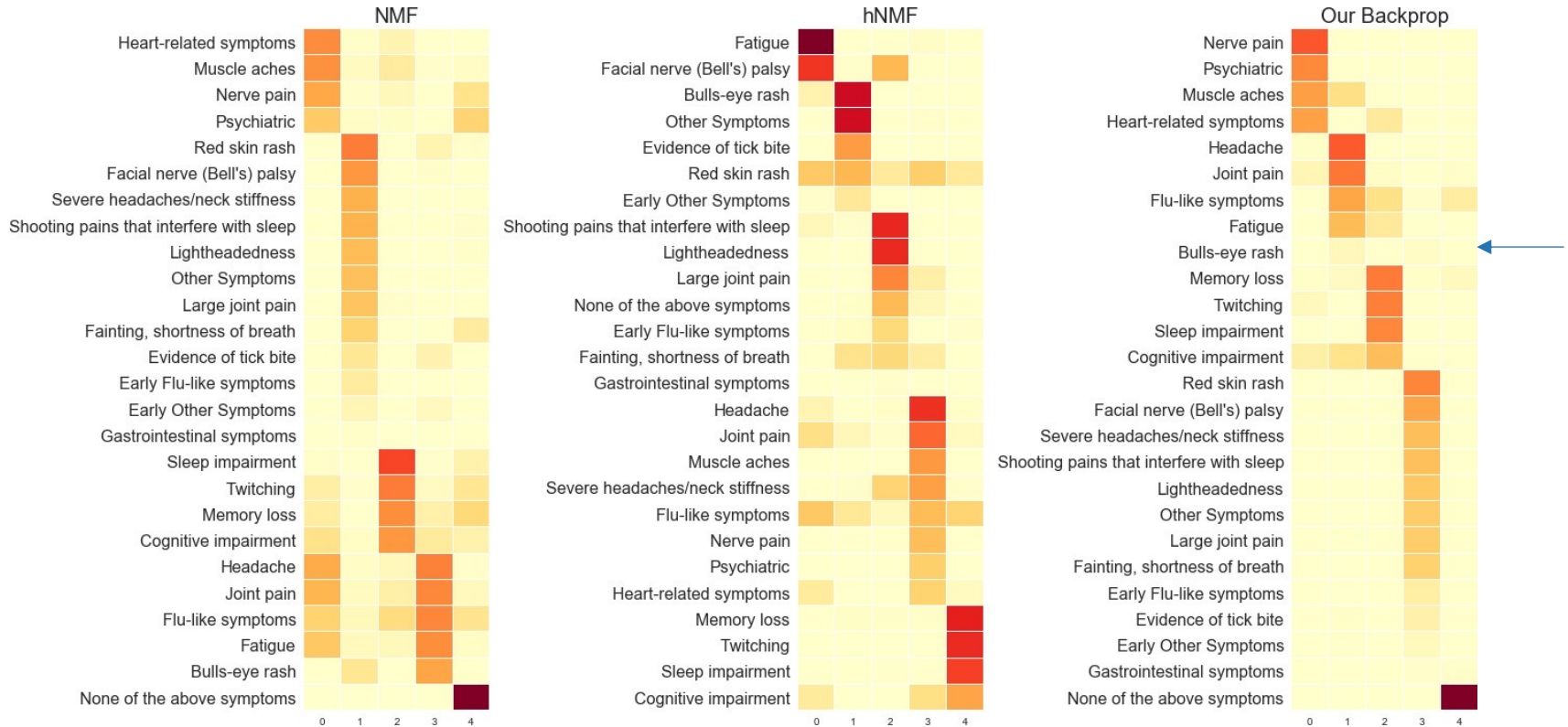
Figure 2: Illustration of the Fiber CUR Decomposition of Theorem 3.3 in which J_i is not necessarily related to I_i . The lines correspond to rows of C_2 , and red indices within correspond to rows of U_2 . Note that the lines may (but do not have to) pass through the core subtensor \mathcal{R} outlined by dotted lines. Fibers used to form C_1 and C_3 are not shown for clarity.

Applications of ONMF

MyLymeData

- Lyme disease a vector-borne disease typically transmitted by tick or insect bite or blood-blood contact
 - Symptoms often mimic those of others, e.g. MS / ALS / Parkinsons / FMA ... and can become chronic
- CDC estimates 300,000 new diagnoses each year
 - Likely a grandiose underestimate
- Poorly understood, poorly funded, poorly diagnosed, poorly treated

Comparisons on Lyme data



The hidden topics here may provide insight on how symptoms manifest themselves

ONMF for image reconstruction

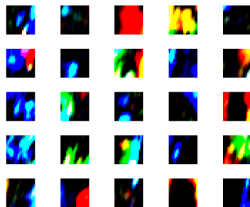
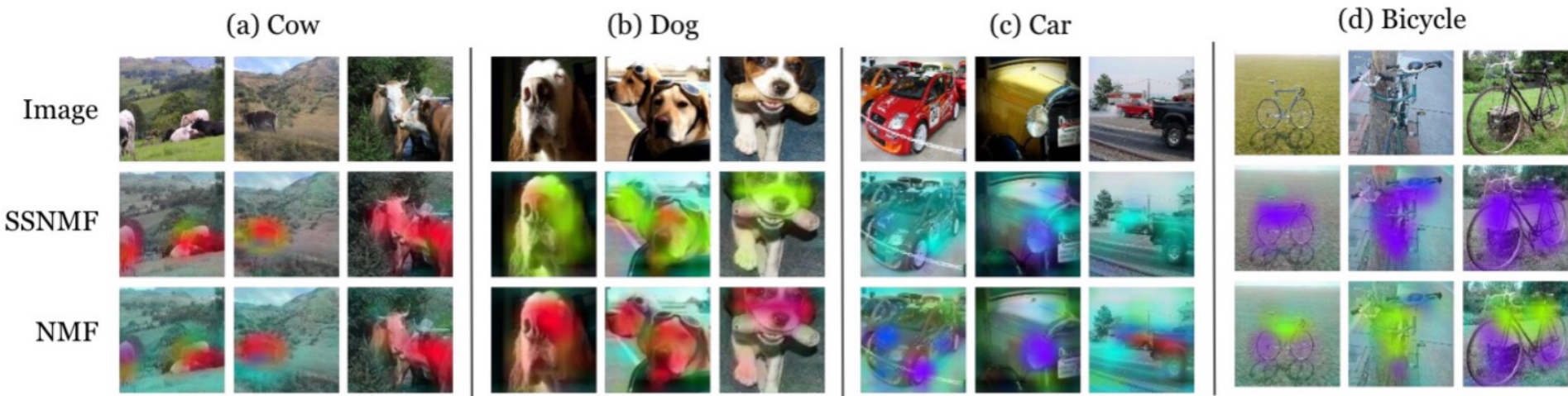


Fig. 7: Image Compression Via ONMF. (Top) uncompressed image of Leonid Afremov's famous painting "Rain's Russtle." (Middle) 25 of the 100 learned dictionary elements, reshaped from their vectorized form to color image patch form. (Bottom): Painting compressed using a dictionary of 100 vectorized 20×20 color image patches obtained from 30 data samples of ONMF, each consisting of 1000 randomly selected sample patches. We used an overlap length of 15 in the patch averaging for the construction of the compressed image.

More applications

(O)NMF for image co-segmentation



ONMF as a pattern detection and prediction tool – COVID19

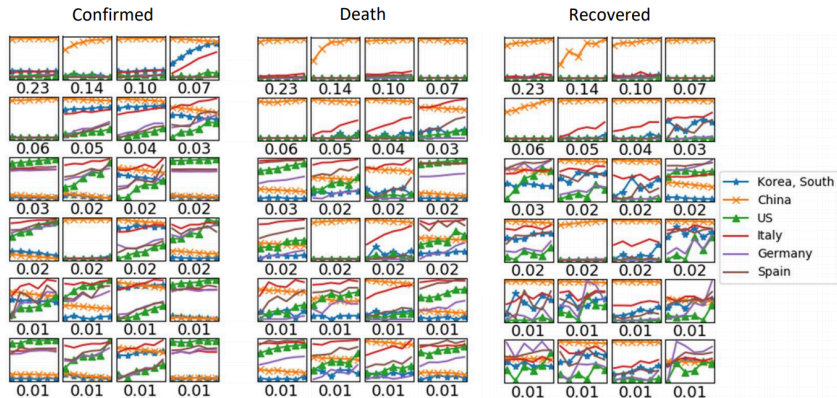
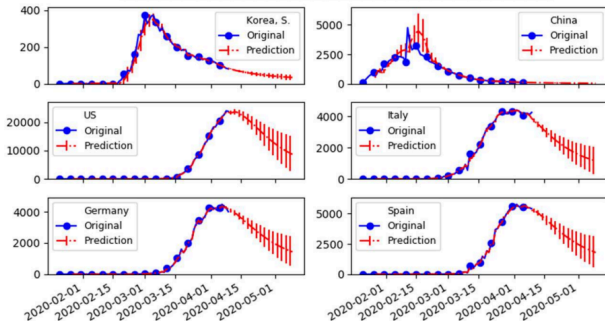


Fig. 2. 24 Joint dictionary atoms of 6-day evolution patterns of new daily cases (confirmed/death/recovered) in six countries (S. Korea, China, US, Italy, Germany, and France). Each dictionary atom is a $6 \times 6 \times 3 = 108$ dimensional vector corresponding to $\text{time} \times \text{country} \times \text{case type}$. The corresponding importance metric is shown below each atom. 50 atoms are learned and the figure shows top 24 with the highest importance metric.

ONMF as a pattern detection and prediction tool – COVID19

Prediction of COVID-19 daily new confirmed cases



Joint dictionary of 6-day evolution

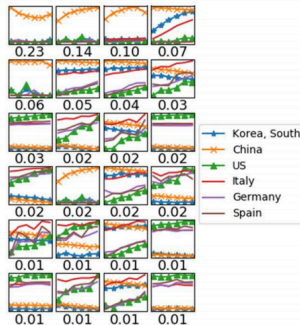
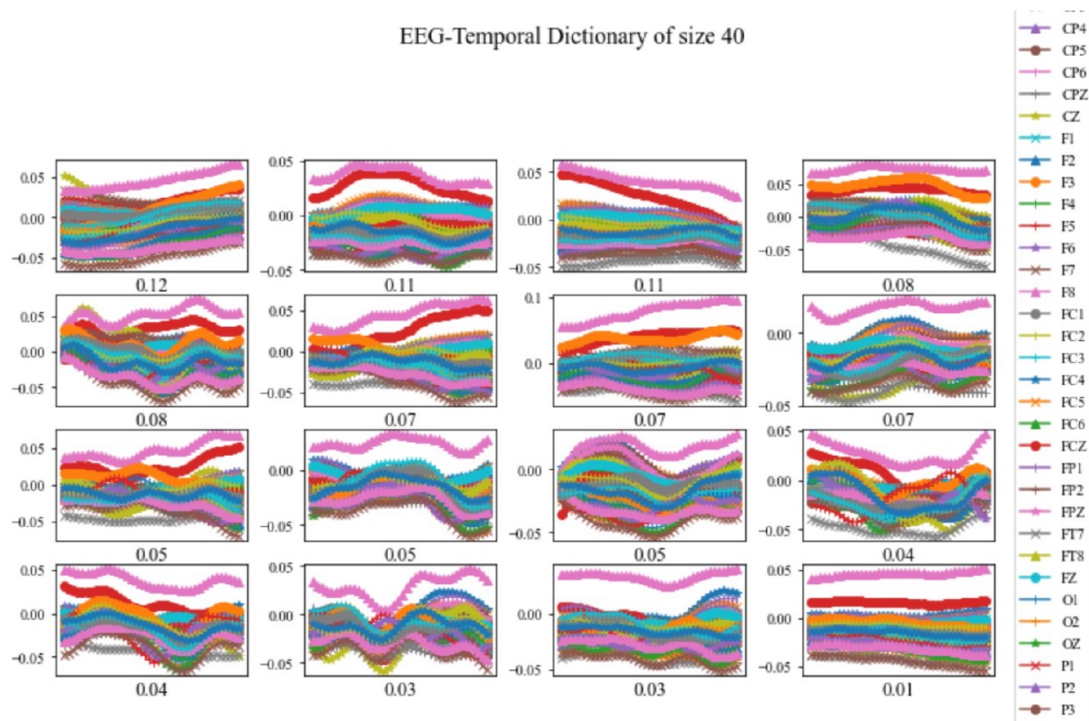


Fig. 3. Joint dictionary learning and prediction for the time-series of new daily cases (confirmed/death/recovered) in six countries (S. Korea, China, US, Italy, Germany, and France). After joint dictionary atoms are learned by minibatch learning, they are further adapted to the time-series data by concurrent online learning and predictions. (Right) Joint dictionary atoms of 6-day evolution patterns of new confirmed cases. The corresponding importance metric is shown below each atom. (Left) Plot of the original and predicted daily new confirmed cases of the six countries. The errorbar in the red plot shows standard deviation of 1000 trials.

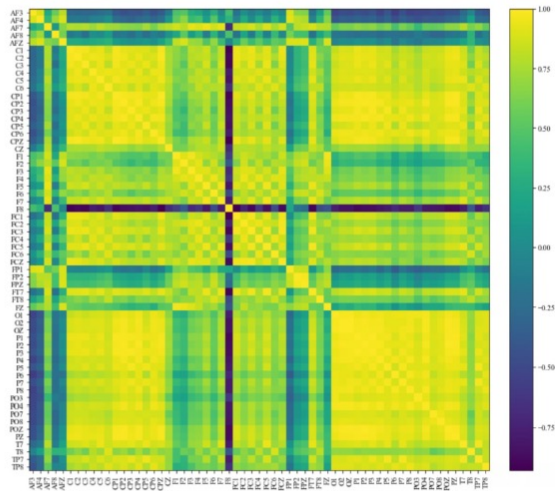
More applications

ONMF on EEG node correlations (UCI EEG Alcoholism data, 64 electrodes)

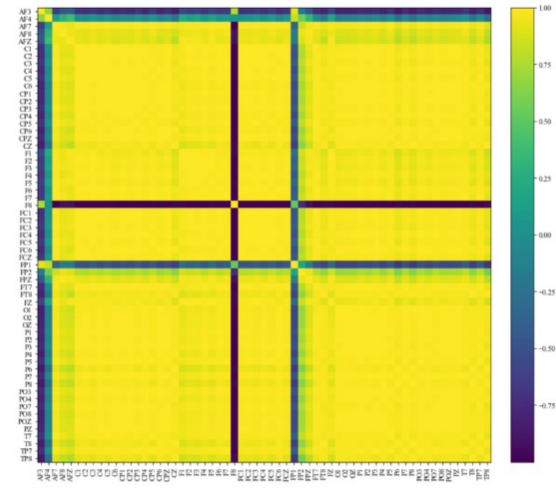


More applications

ONMF on EEG data (node correlations)



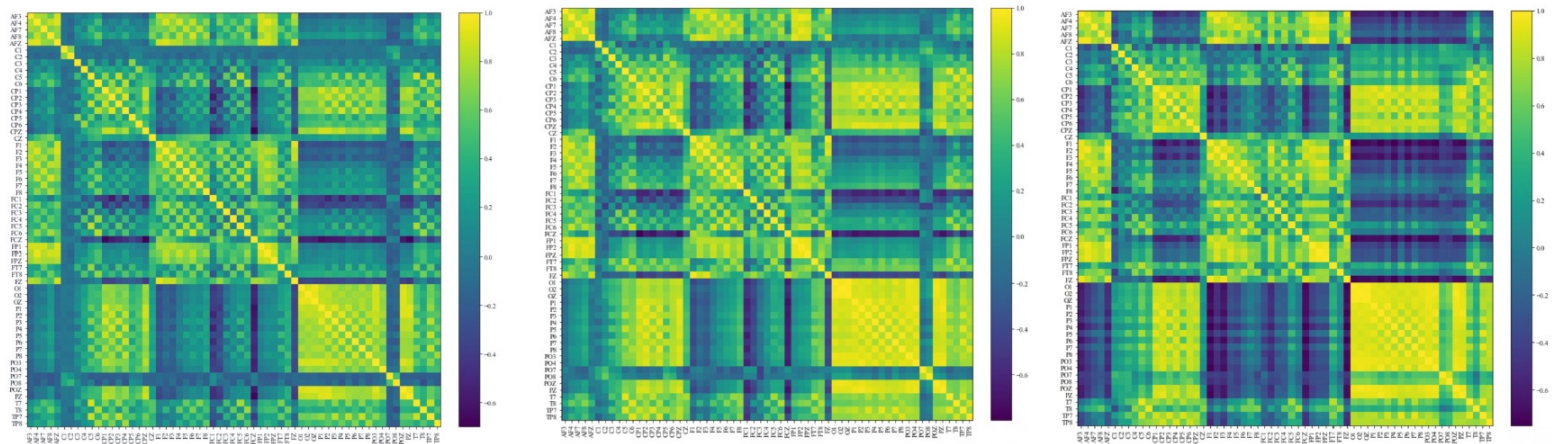
(Pearson)



(ONMF)

More applications

ONMF on EEG data (node correlations)



(Pearson w/ gradient)

(ONMF w/ gradient)

(ONMF w/o gradient,
 $r=16$)

ONMF to learn activation patterns in mouse cortex

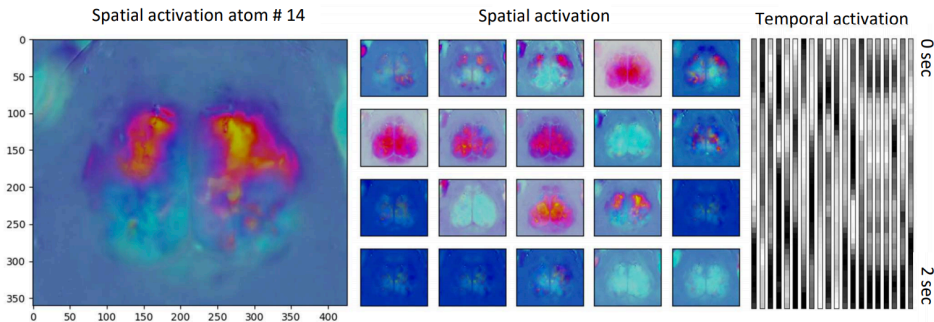
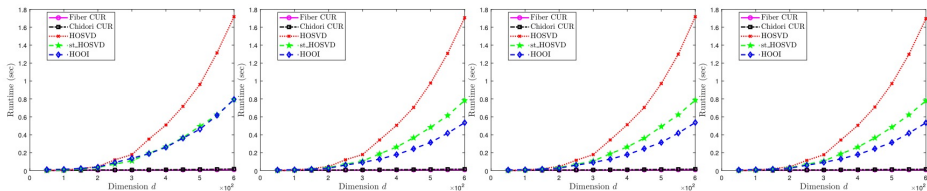
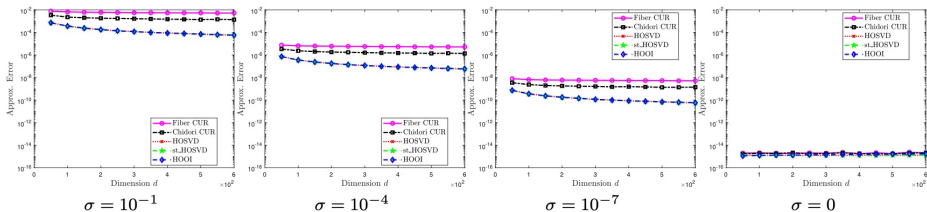


FIGURE 4. Learning 20 CP-dictionary patches from video frames on brain activity across the mouse cortex.

Performance of tensor CUR methods



| | | Ribeira | Braga | Ruivães |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Size | | $1017 \times 1340 \times 33$ | $1021 \times 1338 \times 33$ | $1017 \times 1338 \times 33$ |
| Rank | | (60, 60, 7) | (60, 60, 5) | (65, 65, 4) |
| Runtime (seconds) | Fiber CUR | 0.29 | 0.26 | 0.31 |
| | Chidori CUR | 0.66 | 0.59 | 0.55 |
| | HOSVD | 1.49 | 1.41 | 1.42 |
| | st_HOSVD | 0.83 | 0.77 | 0.76 |
| | HOOI | 2.29 | 2.67 | 3.30 |
| SNR (dB) | Fiber CUR | 24.14 | 17.93 | 15.53 |
| | Chidori CUR | 24.39 | 18.56 | 15.84 |
| | HOSVD | 22.99 | 17.70 | 15.48 |
| | st_HOSVD | 22.18 | 17.90 | 15.49 |
| | HOOI | 24.33 | 18.00 | 15.61 |

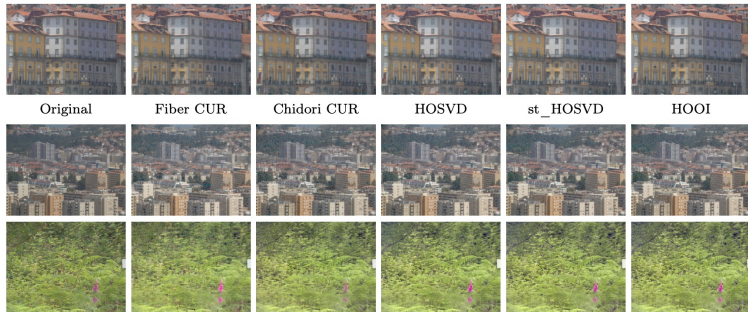


Figure 5: Visual comparison of the original and compressed hyperspectral images. From top to bottom, each row of the images are for the datasets Ribeira, Braga and Ruivães, respectively.

Robustness of tensor CUR methods

| | frame size | frame number | runtime (sec) | |
|---------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|-------|
| | | | RCUR | RPCA |
| Shoppingmall | 256×320 | 1000 | 7.69 | 44.30 |
| Restaurant | 120×160 | 3055 | 3.48 | 31.63 |
| OSU | 240×320 | 1506 | 10.39 | 68.62 |



Figure 1: *Restaurant*: The first column contains three randomly selected frames from the original video. The middle two columns are the separated background and foreground outputs of RCUR, respectively. The right two columns are the separated background and foreground outputs of RPCA, respectively.

Robustness of tensor CUR methods



Figure 5: Face modeling on *ExtYaleB*: Visual comparison of the outputs by RCUR and RPCA for face modeling task. The first row contains the original face images. The second and third rows are the face models and the facial occlusions outputted by RCUR, respectively. The last two rows are the face models and the facial occlusions outputted by RPCA, respectively.

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