

INVARIANTS FOR MATRIX CODES: A TENSOR ALGEBRA APPROACH

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WHAT IS COMPLEXITY ?



Definition

The **complexity** of a *problem* is the cost of the optimal procedure among all the ones that solve the *problem* and fit into a given model of computation.

- It is allowed to freely use the *intermediate results* once they are computed.
- A *computation* is said to be **finished** if the quantities that the computation is supposed to compute are among the *intermediate results*.

WHAT IS COMPLEXITY ?

- The cost of a *computation* that solves a problem is an **upper bound** on the complexity of that problem with respect to the given model.
- **Lower bounds** can be often obtain by establishing relations between the complexity of the problem and the invariants of the appropriate structure (algebraic, topological, geometric or combinatorial).
- We are interested in the so-called **nonscalar model** where additions, subtractions and scalar multiplications are free of charge. The (**nonscalar**) **cost** of an algorithm is therefore the number of multiplications and divisions needed to compute the result.

AN EXAMPLE: MULTIPLICATION OF 2×2 MATRICES

Let A, B be 2×2 following matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The standard algorithm returns the matrix $C = AB$ by computing the following intermediate results:

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= a_1b_1 + a_2b_3, & c_2 &= a_1b_2 + a_2b_4, \\ c_3 &= a_3b_1 + a_4b_3, & c_4 &= a_3b_2 + a_4b_4. \end{aligned}$$

It requires **8 multiplications** and **4 additions**. Therefore, an **upper bound** for the complexity (in the nonscalar model) is 8.

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We can compute $C = AB$ using Strassen's algorithm, which gives

$$c_1 = S_1 + S_4 - S_5 + S_7, \quad c_2 = S_2 + S_4, \quad c_3 = S_3 + S_5, \quad c_4 = S_1 + S_3 - S_2 + S_6$$

where the S_i 's are the intermediate steps

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= (a_1 + a_4)(b_1 + b_4), & S_2 &= (a_3 + a_4)b_1, & S_3 &= a_1(b_3 - b_4), \\ S_4 &= a_4(b_3 - b_1), & S_5 &= (a_1 + a_2)b_4, & S_6 &= (a_3 - a_1)(b_1 + b_2), \\ S_7 &= (a_2 - a_4)(b_3 + b_4). \end{aligned}$$

It requires 7 **multiplications** and 18 **additions**.

AN EXAMPLE: MULTIPLICATION OF 2×2 MATRICES

Algorithm	# multiplication	# additions
standard	8	4
Strassen's	7	18



Remark

The complexity of multiplying 2×2 matrices (in the nonscalar model) is 7. The upper-bound is given by Strassen (1969), the lower bound was proved by Winograd (1971).

Let A, B be vector spaces over the same field \mathbb{K} and denote by A^* the **dual vector space** of A , i.e. $A^* := \{f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{K} \mid f \text{ linear}\}$. For $\alpha \in A^*$ and $b \in B$, one can define a *rank one* linear map

$$\alpha \otimes b : A \rightarrow B : a \mapsto \alpha(a)b.$$



Definition

The **rank** $\tau(f)$ of a linear map $f : A \rightarrow B$ is the smallest integer R such that there exist $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_R \in A^*$ and $b_1, \dots, b_R \in B$ such that

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \otimes b_i.$$

Let A, B, C be vector spaces over the same field \mathbb{K} . For $\alpha \in A^*$, $\beta \in B^*$ and $c \in C$, one can define a *rank one* bilinear map

$$\alpha \otimes \beta \otimes c : A \times B \longrightarrow C : (a, b) \longmapsto \alpha(a)\beta(b)c.$$



Definition

The **rank** $\tau(T)$ of a bilinear map $T : A \times B \longrightarrow C$ is the smallest integer R such that there exist $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_R \in A^*$, $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_R \in B^*$ and $c_1, \dots, c_R \in C$ such that

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^R \alpha_i \otimes \beta_i \otimes c_i.$$

BILINEAR MAPS AND COMPLEXITY

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Example

Matrix multiplication of $n \times n$ matrices is a bilinear map:

$$M_{n,n,n} : \mathbb{K}^{n \times n} \times \mathbb{K}^{n \times n} \longrightarrow \mathbb{K}^{n \times n}.$$

We observed that $R(M_{2,2,2}) = 7$ and it is known that $19 \leq R(M_{3,3,3}) \leq 23$.

3 - TENSORS

We assume n, m, k to be integers.



Definition

A **3-tensor** is an element of $\mathbb{K}^k \otimes \mathbb{K}^n \otimes \mathbb{K}^m$.

If $\{a_1, \dots, a_k\}, \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}, \{c_1, \dots, c_m\}$ are bases of $\mathbb{K}^k, \mathbb{K}^n, \mathbb{K}^m$, respectively, then a basis for $\mathbb{K}^k \otimes \mathbb{K}^n \otimes \mathbb{K}^m$ is

$$\{a_i \otimes b_j \otimes c_\ell : 1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq \ell \leq m\}.$$

In particular we have $\dim(\mathbb{K}^k \otimes \mathbb{K}^n \otimes \mathbb{K}^m) = \dim(\mathbb{K}^k) \dim(\mathbb{K}^n) \dim(\mathbb{K}^m) = knm$.

COORDINATE TENSORS

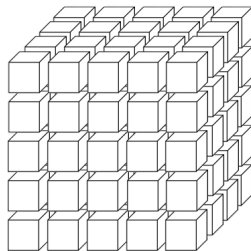
A tensor $X := \sum_r a_r \otimes b_r \otimes c_r$ can be represented as an array. That is as the map

$$X : \{1, \dots, k\} \times \{1, \dots, n\} \times \{1, \dots, m\} \longrightarrow \mathbb{K}$$

given by $X = (X_{ij\ell} : 1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq \ell \leq m)$.

Therefore, X is related to the 3-dimensional array

$$X_{ij\ell} = \sum_r a_{\ell r} b_{ir} c_{jr}.$$



where $a_r := (a_{\ell r} : 1 \leq \ell \leq k)$, $b_r := (b_{ir} : 1 \leq i \leq n)$, $c_r := (a_{jr} : 1 \leq j \leq m)$.



Remark

This representation of X is called **coordinate tensor** and allows to identify the space $\mathbb{K}^k \otimes \mathbb{K}^n \otimes \mathbb{K}^m$ with $\mathbb{K}^{k \times n \times m}$.

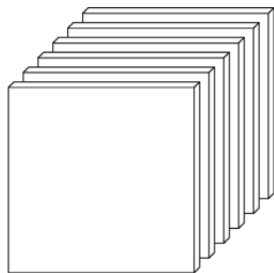
MATRIX REPRESENTATION

Consider the map $\mu : \mathbb{K}^k \times \mathbb{K}^{k \times n \times m} \longrightarrow \mathbb{K}^{k \times n \times m} : (v, X) \longmapsto \sum_r (v \cdot a_r) \otimes b_r \otimes c_r$, and notice that this map yields a 3-tensor of the form $\sum_r \lambda_r \otimes b_r \otimes c_r$, where $\lambda_r \in \mathbb{K}$, which can be identify as the 2-tensor $\sum_r \lambda_r b_r \otimes c_r$, since $\mathbb{K} \otimes \mathbb{K}^n$ and \mathbb{K}^n are isomorphic.

As a consequence, we can identify the tensor X with the array of $n \times m$ matrices $X = (X_1 \mid \dots \mid X_k)$, where

$$X_s := \mu(e_s, X) = \sum_r (a_r)_s b_r \otimes c_r$$

and e_s is the s -th element of the canonical basis for \mathbb{K}^k , for all $1 \leq s \leq k$.



3 - TENSORS

Let $X = (X_1 \mid \dots \mid X_k) \in \mathbb{K}^{k \times n \times m}$ be a 3-tensor.



Definition

The **first slice space** $ss_1(X)$ of X is defined as the span $\langle X_1, \dots, X_k \rangle$ over \mathbb{K} . We say that $ss_1(X)$ is **nondegenerate** if $\dim(ss_1(X)) = k$.



Definition

X is said to be **simple** (or **rank one**) if there exist $a \in \mathbb{K}^k$, $b \in \mathbb{K}^n$ and $c \in \mathbb{K}^m$ such that $X = a \otimes b \otimes c$.



Definition

The **tensor rank** $\text{trk}(X)$ of X is defined as the smallest R such that X can be expressed as sum of R simple tensors.

PERFECT BASE

Let $X = (X_1 \mid \dots \mid X_k) \in \mathbb{K}^{k \times n \times m}$ be a 3-tensor.



Definition

Let $\mathcal{A} := \{A_1, \dots, A_R\} \subseteq \mathbb{K}^{n \times m}$ be a set of R linearly independent rank-1 matrices. We say that \mathcal{A} is a **perfect base** (or **R -base**) for the tensor X if

$$ss_1(X) \leq \langle A_1, \dots, A_R \rangle.$$



Lemma

The following are equivalent.

- ▶ $\text{trk}(X) \leq R$.
- ▶ There exists an R -base for X .

AN EXAMPLE

Let $X \in \mathbb{F}_5^{2 \times 2 \times 2}$ be the 3-tensor defined as

$$X := \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right).$$

One can check that $\text{trk}(X) = 3$ and a 3-base for X is given by

$$\mathcal{A} := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

In particular, we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

EQUIVALENT 3-TENSORS

Let $X = (X_1 \mid \dots \mid X_k)$ and $Y = (Y_1 \mid \dots \mid Y_k)$ be 3-tensors in $\mathbb{K}^{k \times n \times m}$.



Definition

We say that X, Y are **equivalent** if there exist $P \in \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{K})$ and $Q \in \text{GL}_m(\mathbb{K})$ such that $\text{ss}_1(X) = P \text{ss}_1(Y) Q := \{PNQ : N \in \text{ss}_1(Y)\}$.

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Remark

For any pair of matrices $P \in \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{K})$ and $Q \in \text{GL}_m(\mathbb{K})$, if \mathcal{A} is a perfect base for X then $\{P A Q : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ is a perfect base for the 3-tensor $P X Q$.

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$$K(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \kappa_n \frac{t^n}{n!} = \mu t + \sigma^2 \frac{t^2}{2} + \dots$$

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Low tensor rank 3-tensors
perform well in terms of storage
and encoding complexity!

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Noise: in order to talk about noise in data, we must have a distance function. In some applications, these functions come from science, in other case they are chosen by convenience. For example, in signal processing, assuming that the noise has a certain behaviour (iid or Gaussian) can determine a distance function.



TENSOR RANK OF \mathbb{F}_{q^m} -LINEAR CODES

In the following, we assume $n \leq m$ without loss of generality.



Definition

A **(matrix rank-metric) code** is a subspace $\mathcal{C} \leq \mathbb{F}_q^{n \times m}$. The **minimum (rank) distance** of a non-zero code \mathcal{C} is $d(\mathcal{C}) := \min(\{\text{rk}(c) : c \in \mathcal{C}, c \neq 0\})$ and for $\mathcal{C} := \{0\}$, we define $d(\mathcal{C})$ to be $n + 1$. The **maximum-rank** of \mathcal{C} is defined as $\text{maxrk}(\mathcal{C}) = \max\{\text{rk}(c) : c \in \mathcal{C}\}$.

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Proposition (Kruskal - 1977)

We have that $\text{trk}(\mathcal{C}) \geq \dim_{\mathbb{F}_q}(\mathcal{C}) + d(\mathcal{C}) - 1$.

Codes meeting this bound are called **MTR (Minimal Tensor Rank)**.

Let $\Gamma := \{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_m\}$ be a basis of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} over \mathbb{F}_q and $v \in \mathbb{F}_{q^m}^n$. We define by $\Gamma(v) \in \mathbb{F}_q^{n \times m}$ the vector defined by

$$v_i = \sum_{j=1}^m \Gamma(v)_{i,j} \gamma_j.$$

The map $v \mapsto \Gamma(v)$ is an \mathbb{F}_q -isomorphism. Moreover, for a subspace V of $\mathbb{F}_{q^m}^n$, we define $\Gamma(V) := \{\Gamma(v) : v \in V\}$.



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A vector code C is MTR if $\text{trk}(C) = \dim_{\mathbb{F}_q}(C) + d(C) - 1$.



Definition

Let β_1, \dots, β_n be elements of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} linearly independent over \mathbb{F}_q . We define the k -dimensional \mathbb{F}_{q^m} -**Delsarte-Gabidulin code** $\mathcal{G}_k(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$ as

$$\mathcal{G}_k(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n) := \{(f(\beta_1), \dots, f(\beta_n)) : f \in \mathcal{G}_k\},$$

where $\mathcal{G}_k := \{f_0 x + f_1 x^q + \dots + f_{k-1} x^{q^{k-1}} : f_0, \dots, f_{k-1} \in \mathbb{F}_{q^m}\}.$



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Proposition (Sheekey - 2016)

Let β_1, \dots, β_n be elements of \mathbb{F}_{q^m} linearly independent over \mathbb{F}_q . The dual of the code $\mathcal{G}_k(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$ is equivalent to $\mathcal{G}_{n-k,s}(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$.

AN EXAMPLE

Let α be a primitive element of \mathbb{F}_{5^3} and let

$$\begin{aligned} C &:= \mathcal{G}_1(\alpha^4, \alpha^7) = \{ (f(\alpha^4), f(\alpha^7)) : f \in \{f_0 x : f_0 \in \mathbb{F}_{5^3}\} \} \\ &= \{ f_0(\alpha^4, \alpha^7) : f_0 \in \mathbb{F}_{5^3} \} = \langle (\alpha^4, \alpha^7) \rangle_{\mathbb{F}_5}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\Gamma := \{1, \alpha, \alpha^2\}$ be a \mathbb{F}_5 -basis of \mathbb{F}_{5^3} , $N := \Gamma((\alpha^4, \alpha^7))$ and M the companion matrix of the minimal polynomial of α , i.e.

$$N := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

One can check that

$$\Gamma(C) = \langle N, NM, NM^2 \rangle_{\mathbb{F}_5} = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle_{\mathbb{F}_5}.$$



Proposition (Byrne, Neri, Ravagnani, Sheekey - 2019)

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Let α be a primitive element of \mathbb{F}_{5^3} and let $C := \mathcal{G}_1(1, \alpha, \alpha^2) = \langle (1, \alpha, \alpha^2) \rangle_{\mathbb{F}_5}$. One can check that $\Gamma(C^\perp) \leq \mathbb{F}_5^{3 \times 3}$ is the code of dimension 6 generated by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Moreover, we have that $\text{trk}(C^\perp) = 7$ and a 7-base for C^\perp is given by the following rank-1 matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In particular, the span over \mathbb{F}_5 of these rank-1 contains C^\perp as subspace.



INVARIANTS FOR MATRIX CODES



Definition

The **row-support** and the **column-support** of a code $\mathcal{C} \leq \mathbb{F}_q^{n \times m}$ are

$$\text{rowsupp}(\mathcal{C}) = \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \text{rowsp}(c) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{colsupp}(\mathcal{C}) = \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \text{colsp}(c),$$

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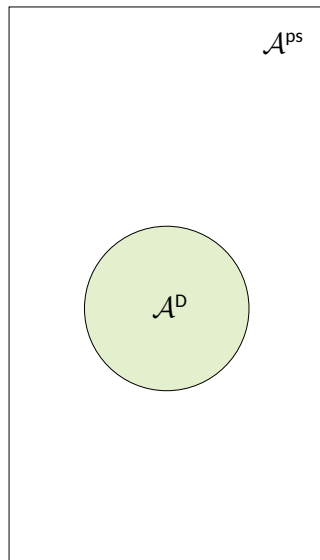


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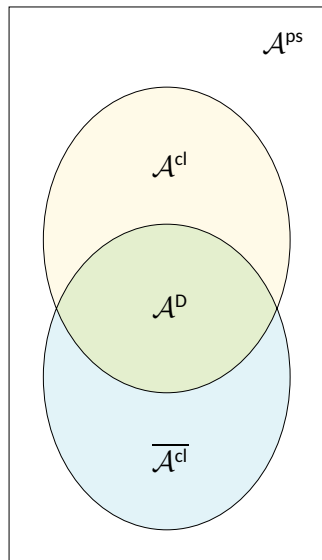
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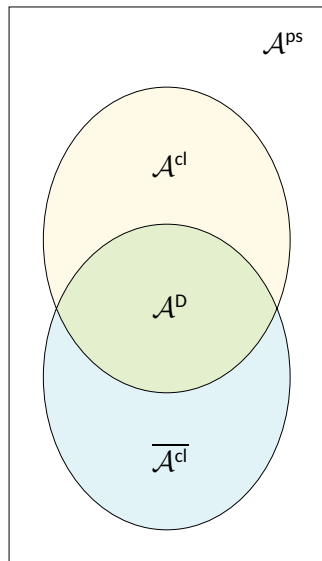
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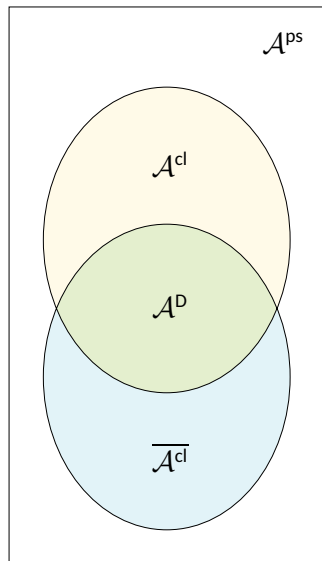
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