# TENSOR DECOMPOSITIONS WITH APPLICATIONS TO MIMO WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

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# INTRODUCTION FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEM IN SIGNAL PROCESSING (1)

Deconvolution (process to reverse the effects of convolution) and more generally signal estimation (recovery) from observed (received) signals  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbb{H}[\mathbf{s}]$ 

s: acoustic/seismic, sonar, radar, speech, biomedical (EEG, ECG)... signals.

 $\mathbb{H}[.]$ : propagation in the Earth, water, air, body... Operator Linear/NL, Instantaneous (memoryless)/convolutive, SISO/MIMO (multiantenna system).

### DECONVOLUTION IN DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS (2)

 $\mathbf{x} = \mathbb{H}[\mathbf{s}] \Rightarrow \mathsf{Ideally:} \ \hat{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbb{H}^{-1}[\mathbf{x}] \Rightarrow \mathsf{Approximate} \ \mathsf{solution.}$ 

### Brief history

- In the 1980s: channel equalization ⇒ adaptive (LMS/RLS) equalizers. (equalizer = device to compensate the distortion due to the communication channel)
- In the 1990s: blind deconvolution/equalization, blind source separation ⇒ High order statistics (HOS)-based methods.
- Since 2000: tensor approaches ⇒ deterministic joint semi-blind channel/symbols estimation based on multimodal/multidimensional representations of received signals.

### MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS EVOLUTION (3)

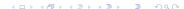
- 2G systems ⇒ SISO; GSM standard; since 1991 in Finland; 270 kbits/s.
- 3G systems ⇒ SU-MIMO (single user); UMTS (Universal Mobile Telecom Service); EDGE (Enhanced Data Rates for GSM Evolution) standard; Internet access, video calls and mobile TV; since 2001 in Japon; > 2 Mbits/s.
- 4G systems ⇒ MU-MIMO (multi user); LTE (Long Term Evolution) standard; HD mobile TV, video conference, mobile web access...; since 2009 in Norway and Sweden; 1 Gbits/s.
- 5G systems ⇒ Massive MIMO (very large number of antennas at the base station); from 2020; 100 Gbits/s.

A new generation of cellular standards approximately every ten years since 1G systems introduced in 1981. Each generation is characterized by new frequency bands, and higher data rates.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE TALK**

- To give an overview of tensor models/decompositions.
- To motivate and to illustrate the use of tensors for designing MIMO wireless communication systems.
- To present some tensor-based semi-blind receivers for joint channel/symbols estimation, in the case of point-to-point communication systems and of relaying systems.

- 1. Basics on MIMO wireless communication systems
- 2 2. Tensor models/decompositions
  - Background on tensors
  - Tensor models/decompositions
- 3. Tensor approaches for designing wireless communication systems
  - PARAFAC-CDMA system
  - PARAFAC-KRST coding system
  - PARATUCK-Tensor space-time (TST) coding system
  - Generalized PARATUCK-TSTF coding system
  - Tensor relaying communication systems
  - Nested PARAFAC two-hop relaying system
  - Tucker train two-hop relaying system
- 4. Conclusion and perspectives



#### PART 1: MIMO WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

- 1 Brief description
- 2 Diversities and fundamental tradeoff
- 3 Motivations for tensor modeling

## Brief description of MIMO communication systems (1)

MIMO communication systems studied since the 1990s

Multiple antennas at the transmitter (T) and the receiver (R):

M transmit antennas; K receive antennas



Multiple links between T and R  $\Rightarrow$  Multipath-induced fading (Random fluctuations in the received signal power)



Propagation of information symbols through the channel  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times M}$  or  $\mathcal{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times M \times F}$ .

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# CDMA and OFDM systems (2)

CDMA and OFDM are wireless communication techniques widely used for fixed as well as for mobile applications.

CDMA (Code Division Multiple Access)

known as a spread-spectrum technique.

Used in the UMTS/3G (Universal Mobile Telecommunications System) and in GPS (Global Positioning System).

The information symbols are spread using a (spreading) pseudo-random code of length J, i.e. a sequence of chips, with values -1 and 1, or 0 and 1  $\Rightarrow J$  repetitions on chip.

OFDM (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing)

Used in ADSL/VDSL (Asymmetric/Very-high-bit rate Digital Subscriber Line), broadcast standards (DAB, DVB), and LTE/4G (Long Term Evolution) system.

Concept: multicarrier modulation technique with orthogonal, subcarriers,

# MIMO channels (3)

### $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times M}$

- $h_{k,m} = SISO$  channel gain between the kth receive antenna and the mth transmit antenna.
- $h_{k,m}$  modeled as a zero-mean circularly symmetric complex Gaussian random variable.
- Amplitude  $|h_{k,m}|$  is Rayleigh distributed.

### Two types of channels

- Rich scattering  $\Rightarrow$  i.i.d. frequency flat Rayleigh fading MIMO channel  $\Leftrightarrow$  decorrelated channel coefficients (if adequate antenna spacing  $(\geq \lambda/2)$  to ensure decorrelation).
- Frequency-selective fading  $\Rightarrow$  channel is frequency-dependent:  $\mathcal{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times M \times F}$  (increased bandwidth).

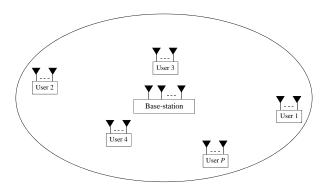


# Wireless networks (4)

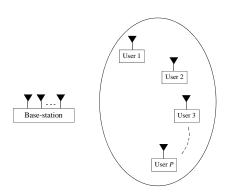
Wireless networks may be classified as cellular or ad hoc networks

- A cellular network is characterized by centralized communications: multiple users within a cell communicate with a base station that controls all transmissions and forwards data to the users ⇒ Point-to-point communication systems.
  - (Uplink/downlink: terminal  $\rightarrow$  base station / station  $\rightarrow$  terminal.)
- In an ad hoc network, any user can act as a sender or receiver of data, or as a relay for other users ⇒ Relaying/Cooperative systems
   ⇒ Distributed MIMO systems: multiple users cooperate to form a virtual antenna array
  - ⇒ Cooperative diversity: MIMO space diversity with single-antenna terminals (users).

# Cellular systems (5)



# Cooperative systems (6)



# Relaying protocols (7)

### Two main relaying protocols:

- Amplify-and-forward (AF) protocol: the relay amplifies/re-encodes the noisy received signals (without decoding) before forwarding.
- Decode-and-forward (DF) protocol: the relay decodes the received signals, and re-encode information signals before forwarding them.

### Advantages/Drawbacks:

- AF: Simpler/Less efficient (because of noise propagation) at destination
- DF: More complex (because of decoding)/More efficient at destination

# Fundamental tradeoff (8)

#### MIMO can be exploited to:

- Increase the rate of data transmission (transmission rate) through multiplexing.
- Improve system performance and reliability owing to space diversity.



Fundamental tradeoff between multiplexing and diversity (i.e. transmission rate/performance).

# Modulations and transmission rate (9)

Transmitted information symbols as sequences of bits depending on the used modulation

In practice, the emitter transmits data streams, each one being composed of N symbols  $\Rightarrow$  Symbol matrix  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times R}$ .

Two main modulations (constellation/finite alphabet)

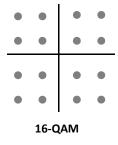
### Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM)

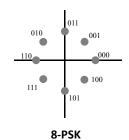
M-QAM finite alphabet of cardinality  $M=2^q\Rightarrow q$  bits/symbol. 16-QAM  $\Rightarrow 2^4$  symbols  $\Rightarrow 4$  bits/symbol Real and imaginary parts in  $\{-3,-1,1,3\}$ .

### Phase Shift Keying (PSK)

 $M ext{-PSK} \Rightarrow$  symbols equally spaced on a circle with argument  $\frac{2\pi}{M}m, \ m \in \{0, 1, \cdots, M-1\}.$ 8-PSK  $\Rightarrow 2^3$  symbols  $\Rightarrow 3$  bits/symbol.

# 16-QAM and 8-PSK modulations (10)





### Transmission rate and performance (11)

#### Transmission rate

 $T_r = \text{Number of bits per channel use (symbol period)}$ 

### Example for TST system

Transmission of R data streams composed of N symbols ( $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times R}$ ) belonging to M-QAM constellation, spread with a spreading code of length P (i.e. with P temporal repetitions):

$$T_r = \frac{NR}{NP} \log_2(M) = \frac{R}{P} \log_2(M)$$
 bits/channel use.

#### Performance

in SER (Symbol Error Rate) or BER (Bit Error Rate)



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## Diversity gain (12)

Performance is directly linked with the diversity gain due to multiple copies of transmitted signals



Signal redundancy in space/time/frequency domains.

If number of copies (diversity order) / then

Quality and reliability of reception /

# Space/Time/Frequency spreading and multiplexing (13)

- Space/Time/frequency spreading by:
  - Transmitting the same symbols (or data streams) by means of several Tx antennas, and using several Rx antennas at the receiver.
    - **⇒** Space diversity
  - Repeating the same symbols during several chip periods (CDMA systems) or/and multiple time blocks
    - **⇒** Code/Time diversities
  - Transmitting same symbols using several subcarriers (OFDM syst.)
    - ⇒ Frequency diversity



#### Performance and reliability improvement

• **Space multiplexing** by transmitting independent data streams in parallel on multiple Tx antennas ⇒ **Transmission rate increase** 

# Main blocks in a MIMO system (14)

- Data streams containing information symbols to be transmitted  $\Rightarrow$  Symbol matrix  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times R}$ : R data streams of N symbols.
- Coding matrices/tensors.
- Resource allocation matrices/tensors.
   Resource constraints:
  - Numbers of transmit and receive antennas.
  - Limited power.
  - Frequency bandwidth.
- Channel matrices/tensors.
- Receiver

# Design of receiver (15)

### Objective: Best tradeoff between transmission rate and performance.

- Design of transmitter (Choice of coding).
- Choice of relaying protocol (for relaying systems).
- Design of receiver.

#### Three types of receiver:

- Zero-forcing (ZF): Perfect knowledge of channel (ideal performance).
- Supervised (with a training sequence): to estimate the channel and, in a second stage, the information symbols.
- Semi-blind (only a few pilot symbols are known at the receiver): to jointly estimate the channels and the symbols.

### Motivations for tensor modeling of MIMO systems (1)

- MIMO systems ⇒ Multidimensional data ⇒ Third- to fifth-order tensors for transmitted and received signals
- Structure of tensor model results from system design
- Structure parameters (rank, mode dimensions) are design parameters (code lengths, numbers of Tx/Rx antennas, of data streams, of subcarriers, of time slots, ...)
- Tensor ST/STF coding
- Tensor of resource allocation
- Uniqueness properties of tensor models ⇒ ambiguities eliminated with knowledge of a few pilot symbols (no training sequence is required)
- Deterministic semi-blind receivers (joint channels/symbols estimation)

## Motivations for tensor modeling of MIMO systems (2)

#### Aims:

- ▶ Best tradeoff between error performance (SER or BER), transmission rate (in symbols or bits per channel use), and receiver complexity for symbol recovery.
- Semi-blind receivers for joint channels/symbols estimation (i.e. without training sequence).
- Performance improvement by jointly exploiting several diversities.

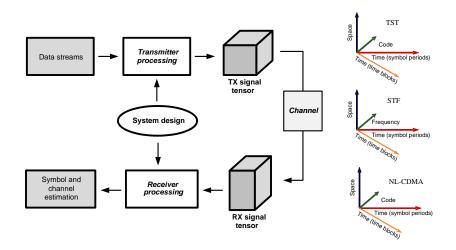


To exploit redundancy into information-bearing signals at the receiver.



Tensor spreading/Coding in space, time and/or frequency domains.

## Block-diagram of tensor-based MIMO systems (3)



### PART 2: TENSOR MODELS/DECOMPOSITIONS

- 1 Brief history
- 2 Examples and definitions
- 3 Notations, operations and matricizations
- 4 Tensor models/decompositions

# Brief history (1)

- From the sixties: Tensor decompositions were used for analysing collections of data matrices viewed as three-way data arrays (third-order tensors):
  - 1966: Tucker decomposition in psychometrics.
  - 1970: PARAFAC (parallel factor) decomposition introduced by Harshman in phonetics, and independently under the name CANDECOMP (canonical decomposition) by Carroll and Chang in psychometrics, also called CP (CANDECOMP/PARAFAC) by Kiers (2000). Rediscovered by Möcks (1988) under the name "topographic component model" in EEG analysis.

# Brief history (2)

- From 1990: Tensor decompositions were used in:
  - Chemistry, especially in chemometrics (R. Bro's Ph.D. thesis, 1998).
  - Signal processing: blind source separation (BSS) using cumulant tensors (J.F. Cardoso, P. Comon, 1990; L. de Lathauwer's, 1997).
- Since 2000: Tensor decompositions/models are used for designing wireless communication systems (N. Sidiropoulos et al., 2000), and analysing image ensembles (Vasilescu and Terzopoulos, 2002).
- During the last decade: we developed several tensor models for designing MIMO comm. syst.: block constrained PARAFAC, CONFAC, generalized PARATUCK, nested PARAFAC, Tucker train.
- Nowadays: High order tensors, also called multi-way arrays, are used for representing and analysing multidimensional data under the form of signals, images, speech, music sequences, or texts.

# Motivations for using tensor decompositions (1)

- → Separation of data sets into components/factors in order to extract the multimodal structure of data and useful information from noisy measurements.
- → Dimensionality reduction of multidimensional data:
- ⇒ Approximate low-rank tensor decompositions,
- ⇒ Tensor train decompositions.
- → Completion of data tensors in presence of missing data.
- $\Rightarrow$  Use of a low-rank tensor decomposition for modeling the data tensor of interest.

# Motivations for using tensors in SP (2)

- Moments and cumulants of RV and stochastic processes are tensors.
  - $\Rightarrow$  Development of tensor SP methods based on high order statistics (HOS).
- Design of MIMO wireless communication systems.
  - ⇒ Semi-blind receivers for joint channel and symbols estimation.
- Modeling and analysis of multidimensional and nonlinear systems.
  - ⇒ Development of Volterra-PARAFAC models, with reduced parametric complexity, by considering Volterra kernels as tensors. (Favier et al.; GRETSI'2009 and 2011, TS'2010, IJACSP'2012, SP'2012)



- Tensors of statistics (moments and cumulants).
- Kernels of Volterra models for nonlinear system modeling.
- Tensors of transmitted and received signals in MIMO communication systems.
- Tensors of biomedical signals (EEG, ECG, MEG).
- Tensors of images and video data.
- Tensors for data analysis in phonetics, chemometrics, bioinformatics,...
- Tensors for data mining and web search.
- FaceTensors for face recognition.

### Tensors of image and video data

Datasets	Modes		
Color images	Spatial column $ imes$ Spatial row $ imes$ Color		
Hyperspectral images	Spatial column $ imes$ Spatial row $ imes$ Spectral		
Gray-level video sequences	Spatial column $ imes$ Spatial row $ imes$ Time		
Color video sequences	$Column  \times  Row  \times  Color  \times  Time$		

### Applications for compression and recognition/classification

- Medical image analysis.
- 3D object recognition.
- Surveillance: Biometrics (Face recognition); hyperspectral surveillance (military).
- Human-computer-interaction (HCI): space-time analysis of video sequences for gesture and activity recognition.
- Hyperspectral imaging used in agriculture, food industry, environment...



### Notations, definitions, and tensor operations

Scalars, column vectors, matrices, and tensors of order higher than two:

$$a, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{A}, \mathcal{A}$$

- o: vector outer product (also called tensor product).
- O: Hadamard (element-wise) product.
- Khatri-Rao (column-wise Kronecker) product.
- S: Kronecker product.
- $\times_n$ : Mode-*n* product of a tensor  $\mathcal{X}$  with a matrix **A**.

#### **Definitions**

 $\mathit{N}^{th}$ -order tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathit{I}_1 \times \cdots \times \mathit{I}_N} = \mathsf{multidimensional}$  array of data/measurements.

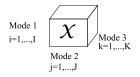
Order N = number of indices that characterize each element  $x_{i_1, \dots, i_N}$ .

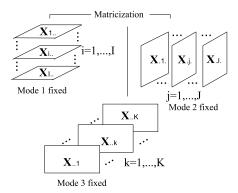
Each index  $i_n$  ( $i_n = 1, \dots, I_n$ , for  $n = 1, \dots, N$ ) is associated with a way, also called a mode, and  $I_n = \text{mode-}n$  dimension.

Particular cases:

Cases	N	Elements	Coefficients
Vectors	1	$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^{I  imes 1}$	x <sub>i</sub>
Matrices	2	$\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I  imes J}$	X <sub>ij</sub>
Three-way arrays	3	$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$	X <sub>ijk</sub>

### Matrix slices of a third-order tensor (horizontal, lateral, frontal slices)





### Vector slices of a third-order tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$

### By fixing two indices:

- Columns: j and k fixed  $\Rightarrow$  JK columns  $\mathbf{x}_{.jk} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times 1}$ .
- Rows: i and k fixed  $\Rightarrow$  IK rows  $\mathbf{x}_{i,k} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times 1}$ .
- Tubes: i and j fixed  $\Rightarrow$  IJ tubes  $\mathbf{x}_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times 1}$ .

#### Matrix slices of a third-order tensor

Matrix slices of  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$  (horizontal, lateral, frontal slices):

By fixing one index

$$\mathbf{X}_{i..} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times K}, \mathbf{X}_{.j.} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times I}, \mathbf{X}_{..k} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J}.$$

#### Horizontal slices

$$\mathbf{X}_{i..} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{i11} & x_{i12} & \cdots & x_{i1K} \\ x_{i21} & x_{i22} & \cdots & x_{i2K} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{iJ1} & x_{iJ2} & \cdots & x_{iJK} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times K}.$$

## Matrix slices of a third-order tensor

#### Lateral slices

$$\mathbf{X}_{.j.} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1j1} & x_{2j1} & \cdots & x_{lj1} \\ x_{1j2} & x_{2j2} & \cdots & x_{lj2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{1jK} & x_{2jK} & \cdots & x_{ljK} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times I}.$$

#### Frontal slices

$$\mathbf{X}_{..k} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11k} & x_{12k} & \cdots & x_{1Jk} \\ x_{21k} & x_{22k} & \cdots & x_{2Jk} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{I1k} & x_{I2k} & \cdots & x_{IJk} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J}.$$

#### Matricization of a third-order tensor

**Matricization** = transformation of a tensor under the form of a matrix

Two different forms of matricization, called flat and tall matrix unfoldings:

Flat unfoldings: 
$$\mathbf{X}_{I \times JK}, \mathbf{X}_{I \times KJ}, \mathbf{X}_{J \times KI}, \mathbf{X}_{J \times IK}, \mathbf{X}_{K \times JJ}, \mathbf{X}_{K \times JJ}$$

Tall unfoldings: 
$$\mathbf{X}_{JK \times I}, \mathbf{X}_{KJ \times I}, \mathbf{X}_{KI \times J}, \mathbf{X}_{IK \times J}, \mathbf{X}_{IJ \times K}, \mathbf{X}_{JI \times K}$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{I \times KJ} = [\mathbf{X}_{..1} \cdots \mathbf{X}_{..K}] = \mathbf{X}_{KJ \times I}^{T}$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{J \times IK} = [\mathbf{X}_{1..} \cdots \mathbf{X}_{I..}] = \mathbf{X}_{IK \times J}^{T}$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{K \times JI} = [\mathbf{X}_{1} \cdots \mathbf{X}_{I.}] = \mathbf{X}_{IJ \times K}^{T}$$

Convention: order of dimensions in a product IJK is linked to order of variation of the corresponding indices (i, j, k).

 $\mathbf{X}_{IK \times I} \in \mathbb{C}^{JK \times I} \Rightarrow$  combination of modes (j,k) such that j varies more slowly than  $k \Rightarrow x_{i,j,k} = [\mathbf{X}_{JK \times I}]_{(i-1)K+k,i} = [\mathbf{X}_{K \times IJ}]_{k,(i-1)J+j}$ 

### Matricization of an Nth-order tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ (Favier, de Almeida; EURASIP JASP'2014)

Partitioning of  $\{1, \dots, N\}$  into two ordered subsets  $\mathbb{S}_1$  and  $\mathbb{S}_2$ , constituted of  $p \in [1, N-1]$  and N-p indices, respectively.

#### General matricization formula

$$\mathbf{X}_{\mathbb{S}_{1};\mathbb{S}_{2}} = \sum_{i_{1}=1}^{I_{1}} \cdots \sum_{i_{N}=1}^{I_{N}} x_{i_{1},\cdots,i_{N}} \left( \underset{n \in \mathbb{S}_{1}}{\otimes} \mathbf{e}_{i_{n}}^{(I_{n})} \right) \left( \underset{n \in \mathbb{S}_{2}}{\otimes} \mathbf{e}_{i_{n}}^{(I_{n})} \right)^{T} \in \mathbb{C}^{J_{1} \times J_{2}}$$
with  $J_{n_{1}} = \prod_{n \in \mathbb{S}_{n_{1}}} I_{n}$ , for  $n_{1} = 1$  and 2.

 $\mathbb{S}_1 \Leftrightarrow \mathsf{Combination}$  of modes to form the rows of  $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbb{S}_1;\mathbb{S}_2}$  $\mathbb{S}_2 \Leftrightarrow \mathsf{Combination}$  of modes to form the columns of  $\mathbf{X}_{\mathbb{S}_1;\mathbb{S}_2}$  $\mathbf{e}_{i_n}^{(I_n)} = i_n^{th}$  canonical vector of the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^{I_n}$ .

Flat matrix unfolding 
$$\mathbf{X}_{\mathbb{S}_1;\mathbb{S}_2}$$
 with 
$$\mathbb{S}_1 = \{n\} \text{ and } \mathbb{S}_2 = \{n+1,\cdots,N,1,\cdots,n-1\}$$
 
$$\mathbf{X}_n = \mathbf{X}_{I_n \times I_{n+1} \cdots I_N I_1 \cdots I_{n-1}}$$
 
$$= \sum_{i_1=1}^{I_1} \cdots \sum_{i_{N-1}=1}^{I_N} x_{i_1,\cdots,i_N} \mathbf{e}_{i_n}^{(I_n)} \left( \underset{n \in \mathbb{S}_2}{\otimes} \mathbf{e}_{i_n}^{(I_n)} \right)^T \in \mathbb{C}^{I_n \times I_{n+1} \cdots I_N I_1 \cdots I_{n-1}}.$$

Column vectors of  $\mathbf{X}_n = \operatorname{mode-}n$  vectors of  $\mathcal{X}$ , and rank of  $\mathbf{X}_n$ , i.e. the dimension of the mode-n linear space spanned by the mode-n vectors, is called mode-n rank of  $\mathcal{X}$ , denoted by  $R_n = \operatorname{rank}_n(\mathcal{X})$ .

N-uplet  $(R_1, \dots, R_N) = \text{multilinear rank (mrank)}$  of  $\mathcal{X}$ . In general, the mode-n ranks  $R_n$  are different, unlike the matrix case  $(R_1 = R_2)$ .

## Mode-*n* product (1)

Mode-*n* product of a tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$  with a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{J_n \times I_n}$ denoted  $\mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{A}$ , gives the tensor  $\mathcal{Y}$  of order N and dimensions  $I_1 \times \cdots \times I_{n-1} \times J_n \times I_{n+1} \times \cdots \times I_N$ , such as

$$y_{i_1,\dots,i_{n-1},j_n,i_{n+1},\dots,i_N} = \sum_{i_n=1}^{l_n} a_{j_n,i_n} x_{i_1,\dots,i_{n-1},i_n,i_{n+1},\dots,i_N}$$
  
 $\mathbf{Y}_n = \mathbf{AX}_n.$ 

where  $\mathbf{X}_n \in \mathbb{C}^{I_n \times I_{n+1} \cdots I_N I_1 \cdots I_{n-1}} = \text{Mode-} n \text{ matrix unfolding of } \mathcal{X}$ .

Property: for  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{J_n \times I_n}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{K_n \times J_n}$ 

$$\mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{A} \times_n \mathbf{B} = \mathcal{X} \times_n (\mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}) \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \dots \times I_{n-1} \times K_n \times I_{n+1} \times \dots \times I_N}$$

## $\mathsf{Mode}$ -n product (2)

$$\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_n \mathbf{A} \iff \mathbf{Y}_n = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X}_n$$

Interpretation as a linear transformation of the mode-n space of  $\mathcal{X}$ , with the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ 

#### Generalization

$$\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \times_1 \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \times_2 \mathbf{A}^{(2)} \cdots \times_N \mathbf{A}^{(N)}$$
$$= \mathcal{X} \times_{n=1}^N \mathbf{A}^{(n)}$$

Multilinear (N-linear) transformation of  $\mathcal{X}$ 

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### Rank-one tensor

#### Rank-one matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{u} \circ \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}^T \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J} \Leftrightarrow x_{ij} = u_i v_j$$

#### Rank-one tensor of third-order

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathbf{u} \circ \mathbf{v} \circ \mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K} \Leftrightarrow x_{ijk} = u_i v_j w_k,$$

### Rank-one tensor of order N =outer product of N vectors

$$\mathcal{X} \ = \ \boldsymbol{u}^{(1)} \circ \boldsymbol{u}^{(2)} \circ \cdots \circ \boldsymbol{u}^{(N)} = \underset{n=1}{\overset{N}{\circ}} \boldsymbol{u}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{\mathit{I}_1 \times \cdots \times \mathit{I}_N}$$

$$x_{i_1,\dots,i_N} = \begin{pmatrix} N & \mathbf{u}^{(n)} \\ 0 & \mathbf{u}^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}_{i_1,\dots,i_N} = \prod_{n=1}^N u_{i_n}^{(n)}$$

### Generalization of matrix decompositions

Matrix BD (bilinear decompos.) → PARAFAC/CANDECOMP models also called canonical polyadic decomposition (CPD)

Harshman 1970; Carroll and Chang 1970; Hitchcock, 1927

Matrix SVD → HOSVD/Tucker models
Tucker 1966; De Lathauwer 1997

### PARALIND/CONFAC models

Bro, Harshman, Sidiropoulos, 2005; de Almeida, Favier, Motta; IEEE TSP'2008 PARATUCK / Generalized PARATUCK models

Harshman, Lundy; 1996

Favier et al.; SP'2012; Favier, de Almeida; EURASIP JASP'2014

### Tensor trains (TT)

Oseledets, 2011

### **Special cases**

Tucker trains (also called Nested Tucker (NT) models)

Favier et al., SP'2016

Nested PARAFAC models

de Almeida, Favier; IEEE SPL'2013



### PARAFAC models/CPD (1)

Case of third-order tensors  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$  (Harshman, 1970)

PARAFAC = Sum of R rank-one tensors (triadic decompositions)

$$x_{ijk} = \sum_{r=1}^{R} a_{ir} b_{jr} c_{kr}$$

$$\mathcal{X} = \sum_{r=1}^{R} \mathbf{A}_{.r} \circ \mathbf{B}_{.r} \circ \mathbf{C}_{.r} = \mathcal{I}_{R} \times_{1} \mathbf{A} \times_{2} \mathbf{B} \times_{3} \mathbf{C} = \|\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}\|$$

Matrix factors:  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times R}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times R}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times R}$ 

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B.1 & + ... + A.R
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### Variants of third-order PARAFAC models (2)

Models	Ref	$x_{i,j,k}$	Applications
СР	Harshman 1970	$\sum_{r=1}^{R} a_{ir} b_{jr} c_{kr}$	Many fieds
INDSCAL	Carroll et al. 1970	$\sum_{r=1}^{R} a_{ir} a_{jr} c_{kr}$	Psychometrics
Sym. CP	Comon et al. 2008	$\sum_{r=1}^{R} a_{ir} a_{jr} a_{kr}$	Volterra models
DSym CP	Favier et al. 2012	$\sum_{r=1}^{R} a_{ir} a_{jr} \bar{a}_{kr}$	NL com. chan.
ShiftCP	Morup et al. 2011	$\sum_{r=1}^{R} a_{ir} b_{j-t_k,r} c_{kr}$	Neuroimaging
	Harshman et al., 2003	_	
ConvCP	Morup et al. 2011	$\sum_{r=1}^{R} \sum_{t=1}^{T} a_{ir} b_{j-t,r} c_{k,r,t}$	Neuroimaging

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## PARAFAC models (3)

Uniqueness issue

Case of a third-order tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$ 

PARAFAC decomposition  $\|\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}\|$  of rank R

Kruskal's condition (Kruskal; 1977):

$$k_{\mathbf{A}} + k_{\mathbf{B}} + k_{\mathbf{C}} \ge 2R + 2$$

where  $k_{\mathbf{A}}$  denotes the k-rank of  $\mathbf{A}$ , i.e. the largest integer such that any set of  $k_{\mathbf{A}}$  columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  is linearly independent.

#### Remarks

- This condition is sufficient but not necessary for essential uniqueness (i.e. for column permutation and scaling ambiguities).
- This condition does not hold when R=1. It is also necessary for R=2 and R=3 but not for R>3 (ten Berge, Sidiropoulos; 2002).

## PARAFAC models (4)

Uniqueness issue

#### Case of an Nth order PARAFAC model

$$x_{i_1,\dots,i_N} = \sum_{r=1}^{R} \prod_{n=1}^{N} a_{i_n,r}^{(n)}$$
$$\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{I}_{N,R} \times_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{A}^{(n)}$$

Sufficient uniqueness condition (Sidiropoulos, Bro; 2000)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} k_{\mathbf{A}^{(n)}} \geq 2R + N - 1$$

Generic case (full rank factor matrices;  $k_{\mathbf{A}^{(n)}} = r_{\mathbf{A}^{(n)}} = \min(I_n, R)$ ):

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \min(I_n, R) \ge 2R + N - 1$$

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## PARAFAC models (5)

#### Matricization

#### Third-order tensors

$$\mathbf{X}_{IJ\times K} = (\mathbf{A} \diamond \mathbf{B})\mathbf{C}^{T}$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{JK\times I} = (\mathbf{B} \diamond \mathbf{C})\mathbf{A}^{T}$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{KI\times J} = (\mathbf{C} \diamond \mathbf{A})\mathbf{B}^{T}$$

Trilinear model w.r.t. (A, B, C)

#### Nth-order tensors

$$\mathbf{X}_{\mathbb{S}_1;\mathbb{S}_2} = \begin{pmatrix} \diamondsuit \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \diamondsuit \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}^T.$$

## PARAFAC model estimation (6)

#### Alternating Least Squares (ALS) algorithm

 Identification of a PARAFAC model = estimation of (A, B, C) from the data tensor  $\mathcal{X}$ , by minimizing

$$\min_{\mathbf{A},\mathbf{B},\mathbf{C}} \left\| \mathbf{X}_{JK\times I} - (\mathbf{B} \diamond \mathbf{C}) \mathbf{A}^T \right\|_F^2 \Rightarrow \text{NL optimization}.$$

Alternating minimization of three conditional LS cost functions:

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}} \left\| \mathbf{X}_{JK \times I} - (\mathbf{B}_{t-1} \diamond \mathbf{C}_{t-1}) \mathbf{A}^T \right\|_F^2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_t$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{B}} \left\| \mathbf{X}_{KI \times J} - (\mathbf{C}_{t-1} \diamond \mathbf{A}_t) \mathbf{B}^T \right\|_F^2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}_t$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{C}} \left\| \mathbf{X}_{IJ \times K} - (\mathbf{A}_t \diamond \mathbf{B}_t) \mathbf{C}^T \right\|_F^2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{C}_t.$$

 Trilinear LS problem requiring a nonlinear optimization method transformed into three linear LS problems successively solved by means of the standard LS solution.

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## PARAFAC model estimation (7)

#### ALS algorithm

### **ALS** algorithm

- **1** Initialize  $\mathbf{B}_0$  and  $\mathbf{C}_0$  and set t = 0.
- 2 Increment t and compute:
  - $(\mathbf{A}_t)^T = (\mathbf{B}_{t-1} \diamond \mathbf{C}_{t-1})^{\dagger} \mathbf{X}_{JK \times I}.$
  - $(\mathbf{B}_t)^T = (\mathbf{C}_{t-1} \diamond \mathbf{A}_t)^\dagger \mathbf{X}_{KI \times J}.$
  - $(\mathbf{C}_t)^T = (\mathbf{A}_t \diamond \mathbf{B}_t)^{\dagger} \mathbf{X}_{IJ \times K}.$
- Return to step 2 until convergence.

## PARAFAC model estimation (8)

#### ALS algorithm

### Advantages:

- Simplicity.
- Easy extension to higher-order PARAFAC models and other tensor models.

#### Drawbacks:

- Slow convergence (iterative algorithm).
- Convergence towards the global minimum is not guaranteed, depending on the initialization.
- Solutions exist for improving the convergence speed:
   Levenberg-Marquardt, conjugate gradient, enhanced line search (ELS) methods.
- In certain applications : certain factors are known (partial estimation).



### Closed form algorithm (Kibangou, Favier; EUSIPCO'2009)

Assumption:  $\mathbf{C}$  known and full-column rank  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{C}^T$  right invertible

## Tucker models (1)

Case of third-order tensors  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$  (Tucker, 1966)

$$x_{ijk} = \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} \sum_{s=1}^{S} g_{pqs} a_{ip} b_{jq} c_{ks}$$

$$\mathcal{X} = \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} \sum_{s=1}^{S} g_{pqs} \mathbf{A}_{.p} \circ \mathbf{B}_{.q} \circ \mathbf{C}_{.r}$$

$$= \mathcal{G} \times_{1} \mathbf{A} \times_{2} \mathbf{B} \times_{3} \mathbf{C}$$

Core tensor  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{C}^{P \times Q \times S}$ ; Matrix factors  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times P}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times Q}$ ,  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times S}$ 

### Special cases:

- HOSVD  $\Rightarrow$   $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times I}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times J}$  and  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times K}$  unitary (orthog.).
- Truncated HOSVD  $\Rightarrow$  **A**  $\in \mathbb{C}^{I \times P}$ , **B**  $\in \mathbb{C}^{J \times Q}$  and **C**  $\in \mathbb{C}^{K \times S}$  column-orthonormal.
- PARAFAC  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{G} = \mathcal{I}$ ; P = Q = S = R.

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### Tucker model of third-order tensors $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$ (2) Matricization

### **Matrix representations**

$$\mathbf{X}_{IJ\times K} = (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B})\mathbf{G}_{PQ\times S}\mathbf{C}^{T}$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{JK\times I} = (\mathbf{B} \otimes \mathbf{C})\mathbf{G}_{QS\times P}\mathbf{A}^{T}$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{KI\times I} = (\mathbf{C} \otimes \mathbf{A})\mathbf{G}_{SP\times O}\mathbf{B}^{T}$$

Quadrilinear model w.r.t.  $(\mathcal{G}, A, B, C)$ 

## Tucker model estimation (3)

- ALS algorithm
- Closed-form algorithm (HOSVD)
- Closed-form algorithm based on Kronecker product approximation, when the core tensor and one factor matrix are known.



## Tucker model estimation (4)

For orthogonal factor matrices  $(\mathbf{A}^{\dagger} = (\mathbf{A}^{T}\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{T} = \mathbf{A}^{T})$ :

$$\mathbf{X}_{IJ\times K} = (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B}) \mathbf{G}_{PQ\times S} \mathbf{C}^{T}$$

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$$\mathbf{G}_{PQ\times S} = (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B})^{\dagger} \mathbf{X}_{IJ\times K} (\mathbf{C}^{T})^{\dagger}$$

$$= (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B})^{T} \mathbf{X}_{IJ\times K} \mathbf{C}$$

#### **HOSVD**

- 1. A equals first P left singular vectors of  $\mathbf{X}_{I \times JK}$ .
- 2. **B** equals first Q left singular vectors of  $\mathbf{X}_{J \times KI}$ .
- 3. **C** equals first *S* left singular vectors of  $\mathbf{X}_{K \times IJ}$ .
- 4.  $\mathbf{G}_{PQ\times S} = (\mathbf{A}\otimes \mathbf{B})^T \mathbf{X}_{IJ\times K} \mathbf{C}$ .

## Tucker models - Case of $N^{th}$ -order tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ (5)

$$x_{i_1,\dots,i_N} = \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} \dots \sum_{r_N=1}^{R_N} g_{r_1,\dots,r_N} \prod_{n=1}^N a_{i_n,r_n}^{(n)}$$

Writing in terms of vector outer products:

$$\mathcal{X} = \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} \cdots \sum_{r_N=1}^{R_N} g_{r_1, \dots, r_N} \, \mathop{\circ}_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{A}_{.r_n}^{(n)}$$

 $\Leftrightarrow$  Decompos. into a weighted sum of  $\prod R_n$  outer products of N vectors.

Writing in terms of mode-*n* products:

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{G} \times_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{A}^{(n)}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Interpretation as mode-n product-based transformations of the core tensor, i.e. N linear transformations defined by the matrices  $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_n \times R_n}$ applied to each mode-*n* vector space of  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{C}^{R_1 \times \dots \times R_{N_2}}$ Gérard Favier 60 / 129

## Tucker models (6)

### Uniqueness issue

- Generally, Tucker models are not essentially unique: their matrix factors can be only determined up to nonsingular transformations characterized by nonsingular matrices.
- Uniqueness results from the knowledge of the core tensor.
- Uniqueness can be obtained by imposing some constrained structure on the core tensor or the matrix factors.

 $N-N_1$  factor matrices are equal to identity matrices. For instance, assuming that  $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} = \mathbf{I}_{I_n}$ , which implies  $R_n = I_n$ , for  $n = N_1 + 1, \dots, N$ :

$$x_{i_{1},\dots,i_{N}} = \sum_{r_{1}=1}^{R_{1}} \dots \sum_{r_{N_{1}}=1}^{R_{N_{1}}} g_{r_{1},\dots,r_{N_{1}},i_{N_{1}+1},\dots,i_{N}} \prod_{n=1}^{N_{1}} a_{i_{n},r_{n}}^{(n)}$$

$$\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{G} \times_{1} \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \times_{2} \dots \times_{N_{1}} \mathbf{A}^{(N_{1})} \times_{N_{1}+1} \mathbf{I}_{I_{N_{1}+1}} \dots \times_{N} \mathbf{I}_{I_{N}}$$

$$= \mathcal{G} \times_{n=1}^{N_{1}} \mathbf{A}^{(n)}.$$

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## Tucker-(2,3) models

Case of third-order tensors

Tucker-(2,3) models, also called Tucker-2 models

Third-order tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times J \times K}$ : core tensor  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{C}^{P \times Q \times S}$  and matrix factors  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{I \times P}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times Q}, \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I}_K$ , which implies S = K

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x_{ijk} & = & \displaystyle\sum_{p=1}^{P} \displaystyle\sum_{q=1}^{Q} g_{pqk} a_{ip} b_{jq} \\ \mathcal{X} & = & \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{A} \times_2 \mathbf{B} \times_3 \mathbf{I}_K = \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{A} \times_2 \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{X}_{IJ \times K} & = & (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{B}) \mathbf{G}_{PQ \times K} \end{array}$$

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### Constrained tensor models

CONFAC models (1) (de Almeida, Favier; IEEE TSP'2008)

#### Tucker model with PARAFAC core tensor:

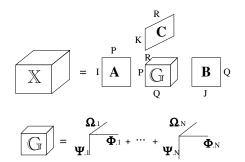
$$\begin{array}{rcl} \mathcal{X} & = & \mathcal{G} \times_1 \textbf{A} \times_2 \textbf{B} \times_3 \textbf{C} \\ \mathcal{G} & = & \mathcal{I}_{\textit{N}} \times_1 \boldsymbol{\Psi} \times_2 \boldsymbol{\Phi} \times_3 \boldsymbol{\Omega} \\ & & \Downarrow \\ \mathcal{X} & = & \mathcal{I}_{\textit{N}} \times_1 (\textbf{A} \boldsymbol{\Psi}) \times_2 (\textbf{B} \boldsymbol{\Phi}) \times_3 (\textbf{C} \boldsymbol{\Omega}) \\ & & & \updownarrow \end{array}$$

### Constrained PARAFAC model (PARAFAC with Constrained Factors)

Constraint matrices  $\Psi \in \mathbb{R}^{P \times N}$ ,  $\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{Q \times N}$  and  $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{R \times N}$  whose columns are chosen as canonical vectors of the Euclidean spaces  $\mathbb{R}^P$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^Q$  and  $\mathbb{R}^R$ , respectively, with  $N \geq \max(P, Q, R)$ .

## Third-order CONFAC models (2)

### CONFAC(3) = Tucker(3) model with PARAFAC(3) core tensor:



## CONFAC models (3)

In a telecommunications context, constraint matrices  $(\Psi \in \mathbb{R}^{P \times N}, \Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{Q \times N}, \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{R \times N})$ , are used for allocating (P, Q, R) resources, like data streams, codes, and transmit antennas, to the N components that form the signal to be transmitted.

$$x_{i,j,k} = \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} \sum_{r=1}^{R} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N} \psi_{p,n} \phi_{q,n} \omega_{r,n} \right) a_{i,p} b_{j,q} c_{k,r}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \sum_{p=1}^{P} a_{i,p} \psi_{p,n} \right) \left( \sum_{q=1}^{Q} b_{j,q} \phi_{q,n} \right) \left( \sum_{r=1}^{R} c_{k,r} \omega_{r,n} \right)$$

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### Constrained tensor models

PARATUCK models (1)

PARATUCK-2 (or PARATUCK-(2,3)) model (Harshman, Lundy; 1996)

$$\begin{array}{lcl} x_{i,j,k} & = & \displaystyle \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} (w_{p,q} \psi_{p,k} \phi_{q,k}) a_{i,p} b_{j,q} \\ \\ & = & \displaystyle \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} g_{p,q,k} a_{i,p} b_{j,q} \Leftrightarrow \text{Tucker-(2,3) model} \\ \\ & \Downarrow \\ g_{p,q,k} & = & \displaystyle w_{p,q} c_{p,q,k} \text{ with } c_{p,q,r} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \psi_{p,k} \phi_{q,k} \delta_{r,k} = \psi_{p,k} \phi_{q,k} \\ \\ & \Downarrow \\ \mathcal{C} & = & \text{PARAFAC}(\|\boldsymbol{\Psi},\boldsymbol{\Phi},\boldsymbol{I}_{K}\|) \Rightarrow \text{PARATUCK-(2,3)}. \end{array}$$

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### Constrained tensor models

PARATUCK-2 models (2)

$$x_{i,j,k} = \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} (w_{p,q} \psi_{p,k} \phi_{q,k}) a_{i,p} b_{j,q}$$
$$= \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} w_{p,q} (a_{i,p} \psi_{p,k}) (b_{j,q} \phi_{q,k})$$

Two interpretations of  $\Psi$  and  $\Phi$ : Interaction or allocation matrices:

- Interactions between columns p and q of the factor matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  along the mode-k of  $\mathcal{X}$ , with the weights  $w_{p,q}$ .
- Allocation of resources p and q to the mode-k of  $\mathcal{X}$ : allocation tensor  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{P \times Q \times K}$  such as  $c_{p,q,k} = \psi_{p,k} \phi_{q,k}$ ;  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{C}^{P \times Q} = \text{code matrix}$ .

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## Applications of PARATUCK-2 models (3)

Applications in data analysis (Bro, 1998; Kiers et Smilde, 1998)

First application in SP (Kibangou, Favier; EUSIPCO'2007)

"Blind joint identification and equalization of Wiener-Hammerstein communication channels using PARATUCK-2 tensor decomposition".

⇒ Structured PARATUCK-2 model with Toeplitz and Vandermonde factor matrices (**A**, **B**).

First application in the context of wireless communication systems

(de Almeida, Favier; SP'2009)

"Space-time spreading-multiplexing for MIMO wireless communication systems using PARATUCK-2 tensor model":

$$x_{k,n,p} = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{r=1}^{R} \underbrace{w_{m,r}}_{\text{code channel symbol allocations}} \underbrace{\phi_{p,m} \psi_{p,r}}_{\text{code channel symbol allocations}}$$

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### Constrained tensor models

PARATUCK- $(N_1, N)$  models (4)

PARATUCK-(2,4) model of fourth-order tensors TST coding system (Favier et al., EUSIPCO'2011)

$$x_{i,j,k,l} = \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{q=1}^{Q} w_{p,q,l} a_{i,p} b_{j,q} \psi_{p,k} \phi_{q,k}$$

PARATUCK- $(N_1, N)$  (Favier et al., SP'2012). Tucker- $(N_1, N)$  model with PARAFAC core  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$  with  $N > N_1$ 

$$x_{i_1,\cdots,i_{N_1+1},\cdots,i_N} = \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} \cdots \sum_{r_{N_1}=1}^{R_{N_1}} c_{r_1,\cdots,r_{N_1},i_{N_1+2},\cdots,i_N} \prod_{n=1}^{N_1} a_{i_n,r_n}^{(n)} \phi_{r_n,i_{N_1+1}}^{(n)}$$

 $a_{i_n,r_n}^{(n)}$ , and  $\phi_{r_n,i_{N_n+1}}^{(n)}$  are entries of the factor matrix  $\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_n imes R_n}$  and of the allocation matrix  $\mathbf{\Phi}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{R_n \times I_{N_1+1}}$ ,  $\forall n = 1, \dots, N_1$ , respectively.

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### Constrained tensor models

Generalized PARATUCK models (5) (Favier, de Almeida; IEEE TSP'2014)

# PARATUCK- $(N_1, N)$ models with tensor factors $\mathcal{A}^{(n)}$ , and allocation tensor $\mathcal{C}$

$$x_{i_1,\dots,i_N} = \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} \dots \sum_{r_{N_1}=1}^{R_{N_1}} w_{r_1,\dots,r_{N_1},s} \prod_{n=1}^{N_1} a_{i_n,r_n,S_n}^{(n)} c_{r_1,\dots,r_{N_1},T}$$

 $\{r_1, \dots, r_{N_1}\}$ : input (or resource) modes,  $\{i_1, \dots, i_N\}$ : output (or diversity) modes,

$$S$$
,  $T$ , and  $S_n \subseteq S \bigcup T$  (for  $n = 1, \dots, N_1$ ): subsets of  $\{i_{N_1+1}, \dots, i_N\}$ ,

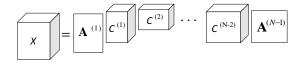
 $a_{i_n,r_n,S_n}^{(n)}$ ,  $c_{r_1,\cdots,r_{N_1},T}$  (equal to 0 or 1), and  $w_{r_1,\cdots,r_{N_1},S}$  are entries of  $\mathcal{A}^{(n)}$ , of  $\mathcal{C}$ , and of the core/code tensor  $\mathcal{W}$ , respectively.

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## Tensor train decompositions (TTD) (Oseledets, 2011) (1)

Case of an  $N^{th}$ -order tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ 

Objective: Approximation of an  $N^{th}$ -order tensor whose parametric complexity is free from exponential dependence on N.



Concatenation of third-order tensors  $\mathcal{C}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{R_n \times I_{n+1} \times R_{n+1}}$ , n=1,...,N-2 and two matrix factors  $\mathbf{A}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times R_1}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}^{(N-1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_N \times R_{N-1}}$ 

$$x_{i_1,i_2,\cdots,i_N} = \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} \sum_{r_2=1}^{R_2} \cdots \sum_{r_{N-1}=1}^{R_{N-1}} a_{i_1,r_1}^{(1)} c_{r_1,i_2,r_2}^{(1)} c_{r_2,i_3,r_3}^{(2)} \cdots c_{r_{N-2},i_{N-1},r_{N-1}}^{(N-2)} a_{i_N,r_{N-1}}^{(N-1)}$$

 $R_n$   $(n = 1, \dots, N) = TT$  ranks, also called compression ranks.

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### Tensor train (TT) decompositions (2)

Parametric complexity

Other writing as a product of a row vector, (N-2) matrices, and a column vector:

$$x_{i_1,i_2,\cdots,i_N} = \mathbf{A}_{i_1,\cdot}^{(1)} \mathbf{C}_{\cdot,i_2,\cdot}^{(1)} \cdots \mathbf{C}_{\cdot,i_{N-1},\cdot}^{(N-2)} (A_{i_N,\cdot}^{(N-1)})^T$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{i_{1},.}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{1 \times R_{1}}, \ \mathbf{A}_{i_{N},.}^{(N-1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{1 \times R_{N-1}}, \ \mathbf{C}_{.,i_{n},.}^{(n-1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{R_{n-1} \times R_{n}}, n = 2, \cdots, N-1$$

Parametric complexity of the TT representation of  $\mathcal{X}$ when  $I_n = I$  and  $R_n = R$ ,  $\forall n$ :

Total number of entries of TT =  $2RI + (N-2)IR^2$  instead of  $I^N$  for  $\mathcal{X}$ .

# Tucker train/Nested Tucker decompositions (NTD) (1)

(Favier et al., SP 2016)

$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$$

$$X = \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \underbrace{\mathbf{C}^{(1)}}_{\mathbf{A}^{(2)}} \underbrace{\mathbf{C}^{(2)}}_{\mathbf{C}^{(2)}} \cdots \underbrace{\mathbf{A}^{(N-2)}}_{\mathbf{A}^{(N-1)}} \underbrace{\mathbf{C}^{(N-2)}}_{\mathbf{A}^{(N-1)}}$$

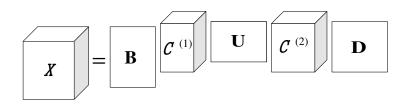
Each third-order tensor  $C^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{R_{2n-1} \times I_{n+1} \times R_{2n}}$ ,  $n \in [1, N-2]$ , can be considered as the core tensor of a Tucker-(2,3) model having  $(\mathbf{A}^{(n)}, \mathbf{I}_{I_{n+1}}, \mathbf{A}^{(n+1)})$  as matrix factors, with:

$$\mathbf{A}^{(n+1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{R_{2n} \times R_{2n+1}}, n \in [1, N-3], \mathbf{A}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times R_1}, \mathbf{A}^{(N-1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_N \times R_{2N-4}}$$

Two successive third-order Tucker-(2,3) models in the train have a matrix factor in common  $\Rightarrow$  NTD

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# NTD(4) for a fourth-order tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{l_1 \times l_2 \times l_3 \times l_4}$ (2)



$$x_{i_{1},i_{2},i_{3},i_{4}} = \sum_{r_{1}=1}^{R_{1}} \sum_{r_{2}=1}^{R_{2}} \sum_{r_{3}=1}^{R_{3}} \sum_{r_{4}=1}^{R_{4}} \underbrace{b_{i_{1},r_{1}} c_{r_{1},i_{2},r_{2}}^{(1)} u_{r_{2},r_{3}}}_{\text{Tucker-}(2,3)} c_{r_{3},i_{3},r_{4}}^{(2)} d_{i_{4},r_{4}}$$

$$= \sum_{r_{1}=1}^{R_{1}} \sum_{r_{2}=1}^{R_{2}} \sum_{r_{3}=1}^{R_{3}} \sum_{r_{4}=1}^{R_{4}} b_{i_{1},r_{1}} c_{r_{1},i_{2},r_{2}}^{(1)} \underbrace{u_{r_{2},r_{3}} c_{r_{3},i_{3},r_{4}}^{(2)} d_{i_{4},r_{4}}}_{\text{Tucker-}(2,3)}$$

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#### Nested PARAFAC model of a fourth-order tensor

$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{l_1 \times l_2 \times l_3 \times l_4}$$
 (1)

(de Almeida, Favier; IEEE SPL'2013)

Special case of nested Tucker model with the following correspondences:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4) & \leftrightarrow & (r_1, r_1, r_2, r_2) \\ (\mathbf{B}, \mathcal{C}^{(1)}, \mathbf{U}, \mathcal{C}^{(2)}, \mathbf{D}) & \leftrightarrow & (\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}) \end{array}$$

$$x_{i_{1},i_{2},i_{3},i_{4}} = \sum_{r_{1}=1}^{R_{1}} \sum_{r_{2}=1}^{R_{2}} \underbrace{a_{i_{1},r_{1}}b_{i_{2},r_{1}}u_{r_{1},r_{2}}}_{PARAFAC} c_{i_{3},r_{2}}d_{i_{4},r_{2}}$$

$$= \sum_{r_{1}=1}^{R_{1}} \sum_{r_{2}=1}^{R_{2}} a_{i_{1},r_{1}}b_{i_{2},r_{1}} \underbrace{u_{r_{1},r_{2}}c_{i_{3},r_{2}}d_{i_{4},r_{2}}}_{PARAFAC}$$

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#### Nested PARAFAC (2)

Define the third-order tensors  $\mathcal{W} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_3 \times I_4 \times R_1}$  and  $\mathcal{Z} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times R_2}$  such as

$$w_{i_3,i_4,r_1} = \sum_{r_2=1}^{R_2} c_{i_3,r_2} d_{i_4,r_2} u_{r_1,r_2}$$

$$z_{i_1,i_2,r_2} = \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} a_{i_1,r_1} b_{i_2,r_1} u_{r_1,r_2}$$

or equivalently in terms of mode-*n* products

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{I}_{3,R_2} \times_1 \mathbf{C} \times_2 \mathbf{D} \times_3 \mathbf{U}$$
  
 $\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{I}_{3,R_1} \times_1 \mathbf{A} \times_2 \mathbf{B} \times_3 \mathbf{U}^T$ 

 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{Z}$  satisfy two PARAFAC models.

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#### Nested PARAFAC (3)

Combining the last two modes and the first two ones of  $\mathcal{X}$ , by means of  $k_1=(i_4-1)I_3+i_3$  and  $k_2=(i_2-1)I_1+i_1$ , the 4th-order nested PARAFAC model can be rewritten as two third-order PARAFAC models of the tensors  $\mathcal{X}^{(1)}\in\mathbb{C}^{I_1\times I_2\times K_1}$  and  $\mathcal{X}^{(2)}\in\mathbb{C}^{K_2\times I_3\times I_4}$ , where  $K_1=I_4I_3$  and  $K_2=I_2I_1$ 

$$x_{i_{1},i_{2},k_{1}}^{(1)} = \sum_{r_{1}=1}^{R_{1}} a_{i_{1},r_{1}} b_{i_{2},r_{1}} w_{k_{1},r_{1}}$$

$$x_{k_{2},i_{3},i_{4}}^{(2)} = \sum_{r_{2}=1}^{R_{2}} z_{k_{2},r_{2}} c_{i_{3},r_{2}} d_{i_{4},r_{2}}$$

 $\mathcal{X}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathcal{X}^{(2)}$  are two contracted forms of  $\mathcal{X}$ , which satisfy two PARAFAC models  $\|\mathbf{A},\mathbf{B},\mathbf{W}_{K_1\times R_1}\|$  and  $\|\mathbf{Z}_{K_2\times R_2},\mathbf{C},\mathbf{D}\|$  where  $\mathbf{W}_{K_1\times R_1}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}_{K_2\times R_2}$  are unfoldings of  $\mathcal{W}$  and  $\mathcal{Z}$  which satisfy their proper PARAFAC models. The matrices  $(\mathbf{A},\mathbf{B},\mathbf{U},\mathbf{C},\mathbf{D})$  of the nested PARAFAC model can be estimated using a five-step ALS algorithm, or two stages of BALS algo.

#### Parametric complexities of tensor models

- Data tensor:  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N} \Rightarrow \prod_{n=1}^N I_n \simeq I^N$
- PARAFAC $(\mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_n \times R}) \Rightarrow R \sum_{n=1}^{N} I_n \simeq NRI$
- Tucker $(\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{C}^{R_1 \times \dots \times R_N}; \mathbf{A}^{(n)} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_n \times R_n})$  $\Rightarrow \prod_{n=1}^N R_n + \sum_{n=1}^N I_n R_n \simeq R^N + NRI$
- Tensor train  $\Rightarrow I_1 R_1 + I_N R_{N-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{N-2} R_n I_{n+1} R_{n+1}$  $\approx 2RI + (N-2)IR^2$
- Tucker train

$$\Rightarrow I_1R_1 + I_NR_{2N-4} + \sum_{n=1}^{N-2} R_{2n-1}I_{n+1}R_{2n} + \sum_{n=1}^{N-3} R_{2n}R_{2n+1}$$

$$\approx 2RI + (N-2)IR^2 + (N-3)R^2$$



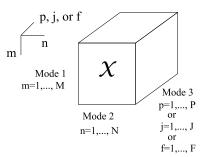
#### PART 3: TENSOR-BASED MIMO COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

- 1 Point to point communication systems
- 2 Relaying communication systems

#### Tensors of signals received by three communication systems

#### (CDMA, Oversampled, OFDM)

- $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N \times J}$  or  $\in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N \times P}$  or  $\in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N \times F}$ : received signals tensors M receive antennas; N symbol periods; F subcarriers P: oversampling rate; J: spreading code length.
- Modes: receive antenna (m), symbol period (n), oversampling period (p), chip (j), frequency (f).



Unified Block constrained PARAFAC modeling (de\_Almeida, Favier; SP'2007)

# PARAFAC-CDMA (code division multiple access) system (1) (Sidiropoulos, Giannakis, Bro, IEEE TSP 2000)

Q users, K Rx antennas, N symbol periods, J chips (spreading length)

*n*-th coded (spread) symbol of user *q* 

$$u_{q,n,j} = s_{n,q} w_{j,q}$$

- $s_{n,q}$ = symbol transmitted by the q-th user, at the n-th symbol period.
- $w_{j,q} = j$ -th code used for spreading each symbol  $s_{n,q}$  of the q-th user.

 $\Rightarrow$  J repetitions of each symbol  $s_{n,q}$ .



### PARAFAC-CDMA system (2)

Assumption: Multiuser (Q); Rayleigh flat fading channel  $h_{k,q}$ = fading coefficient of the channel between q-th user and k-th receive antenna  $\Rightarrow$  SIMO system/user.

Signals received by antenna k, during symbol period n

$$x_{k,n,j} = \sum_{q=1}^{Q} h_{k,q} u_{q,n,j} = \sum_{q=1}^{Q} h_{k,q} s_{n,q} w_{j,q} \Rightarrow \mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times N \times J}$$

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#### PARAFAC model

with factors 
$$\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times Q}, \mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times Q}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times Q}$$

Channel, Symbol, Code matrices

Three diversities: space (K), time (N), code (J).

### PARAFAC-CDMA system (3)

#### Joint channel/symbols estimation

$$\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times N \times J}$$

Code known at the receiver ⇒ BALS receiver

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_{KJ\times N} &= (\mathbf{H} \diamond \mathbf{C})\mathbf{S}^T & \Rightarrow & \hat{\mathbf{S}}^T &= (\mathbf{H} \diamond \mathbf{C})^\dagger \mathbf{X}_{KJ\times N} \\ \mathbf{X}_{NJ\times K} &= (\mathbf{S} \diamond \mathbf{C})\mathbf{H}^T & \Rightarrow & \hat{\mathbf{H}}^T &= (\mathbf{S} \diamond \mathbf{C})^\dagger \mathbf{X}_{NJ\times K} \end{aligned}$$



#### PARAFAC-CDMA system (4)

#### Uniqueness issue

Kruskal's condition:

$$k_H + k_S + k_C \ge 2Q + 2 \tag{1}$$

#### Assumptions:

- User-wise independent channel gains ⇒ H is full k-rank with probability one.
- **S** is full k-rank (if *N* is large enough).
- C is full k-rank (by construction).

$$\Rightarrow \min(K, Q) + \min(N, Q) + \min(J, Q) \ge 2Q + 2 \tag{2}$$

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### PARAFAC-CDMA system (5)

#### Practical consequences:

- If N and  $J \ge Q$ :  $K \ge 2$  antennas are sufficient  $\Rightarrow$  possibility of more users than sensors.
- If N and  $K \ge Q$ :  $J \ge 2$  chips are sufficient.
- If some or all of **H**, **S**, **C** are flat instead of tall, condition (2) may still be satisfied. Example: K = N = J = 4, Q = 5.

### PARAFAC-CDMA system (6)

#### **Properties**

- Deterministic approach for system parameters estimation using received signals only.
- Possibility to have more users (Q) than sensors (K), and/or less spreading (J) than users.
- No need of finite-alphabet, statistical independence, and constant-modulus assumptions.
- Code matrix C can be estimated ⇒ Trilinear ALS algorithm.

M transmit antennas, two coding matrices  $\Theta \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times M}$  and  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times M}$ , symbol matrix  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times M}$ , N symbol periods, J time blocks (temporal repetitions).

Precoded signal  $v_{n,m} = \sum_{l=1}^{M} s_{n,l} \theta_{m,l}$  which combines M symbols of  $\mathbf{s}_{n}$  onto each transmit antenna m + Time spreading  $\Rightarrow u_{m,n,j} = v_{n,m} w_{j,m}$ .

 $\Rightarrow$  Third-order tensor of coded signals:  $\mathcal{U} \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N \times J}$ 

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathbf{U}_{NJ\times M} & = & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{U}_{.1.}^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{U}_{.N.}^T \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{W}D_1(\mathbf{V}) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{W}D_N(\mathbf{V}) \end{array} \right] = \mathbf{V} \diamond \mathbf{W} \\ & = & \underbrace{\mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\Theta}^T} \qquad \diamond \qquad \underbrace{\mathbf{W}}_{\text{space-precoding}} & \text{time-postcoding} \end{array}$$

⇒ Khatri-Rao space-time (KRST) coding.

# Khatri-Rao space-time coding (2)

Signal received by antenna k, during symbol period n of time block j:

$$x_{k,n,j} = \sum_{m=1}^{M} h_{k,m} u_{m,n,j} = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{l=1}^{M} h_{k,m} s_{n,l} \theta_{m,l} w_{j,m}$$
$$= \sum_{m=1}^{M} h_{k,m} v_{n,m} w_{j,m}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Third-order PARAFAC model (**H**, **V**, **W**)

Known code matrix  $\mathbf{W} \Rightarrow \text{Estimation of } (\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{V}) \text{ by means of BALS algorithm}.$ 

Drawback: Decoding to estimate **S** from the estimate of  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{\Theta}^T$ .

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### PARATUCK-TST coding system (1)

(Favier et al.; SP 2012)

- MIMO communication system with M transmit antennas and K receive antennas.
- Transmission of R data streams composed of N symbols each.
- Transmission decomposed into *P* time blocks formed of *N* time slots each.

### PARATUCK-TST coding system (2)

#### Tensor of transmitted signals (R data streams of N symbols)

**ST** coded signal transmitted from the transmit antenna m, during the time slot n of block p, and associated with the chip j:

$$u_{m,n,p,j} = \sum_{r=1}^{R} \underbrace{w_{m,r,j}}_{\begin{subarray}{c} \textbf{code} \\ \textbf{y} \end{subarray}} \underbrace{s_{n,r}}_{\begin{subarray}{c} \textbf{d} \end{subarray}} \underbrace{\phi_{p,m} \, \psi_{p,r}}_{\begin{subarray}{c} \textbf{d} \end{subarray}} \underbrace{v_{m,r,j}}_{\begin{subarray}{c} \textbf{code} \end{subarray}} \underbrace{s_{m,r}}_{\begin{subarray}{c} \textbf{d} \end{subarray}} \underbrace{\phi_{p,m} \, \psi_{p,r}}_{\begin{subarray}{c} \textbf{d} \end{subarray}} \underbrace{v_{m,r,j}}_{\begin{subarray}{c} \textbf{d} \end{subarray}}} \underbrace{v_{m,r,j}}$$

 $\begin{cases} s_{n,r} = n^{\rm th} \text{ symbol of } r^{\rm th} \text{ data stream.} \\ \psi_{p,r} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \text{ data stream } r \text{ allocated to block } p. \\ \phi_{p,m} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \text{ transmit antenna } m \text{ allocated to block } p. \end{cases}$ 

 $\Rightarrow s_{n,r}$  transmitted using antenna m, during time block p.

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### PARATUCK-TST coding system (3)

#### Tensor of received signals

- Rayleigh flat fading propagation channel  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times M}$  with i.i.d.  $\mathsf{CN}(0,1)$  entries.
- Channel assumed to be **constant during at least** *P* **time blocks**.

Signal received by antenna k, associated with chip j of symbol period n of time block p:

$$x_{k,n,p,j} = \sum_{m=1}^{M} h_{k,m} u_{m,n,p,j}$$
$$= \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{r=1}^{R} w_{m,r,j} h_{k,m} s_{n,r} \phi_{p,m} \psi_{p,r}$$

 $\Rightarrow \mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times N \times P \times J}$  satisfies a **PARATUCK-(2,4) model** 

$$\mathbf{X}_{..pj} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G}_{..pj}\mathbf{S}^{T}$$
;  $\mathbf{G}_{..pj} = \mathbf{D}_{p}(\mathbf{\Phi})\mathbf{W}_{..j}\mathbf{D}_{p}(\mathbf{\Psi})$ 

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## PARATUCK-TST coding system (4)

Semi-blind joint symbol and channel estimation Matrix representations of the received signal tensor

$$\mathbf{X}_{JPK\times N} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_{\cdots 1,1} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_{\cdots P,1} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_{\cdots 1,J} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_{\cdots P,J} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{G}_{JPM\times R} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\cdots 1,1} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}_{\cdots P,1} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}_{\cdots P,J} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{X}_{JPN\times K} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_{\cdots 1,1}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_{\cdots P,1}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_{\cdots 1,J}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_{\cdots P,J}^{T} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{G}_{JPR\times M} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{\cdots 1,1}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}_{\cdots 1,J}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}_{\cdots 1,J}^{T} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}_{\cdots P,J}^{T} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\in \mathcal{C}^{JPK\times N} \qquad \in \mathcal{C}^{JPM\times R} \qquad \in \mathcal{C}^{JPN\times K} \qquad \in \mathcal{C}^{JPR\times M}$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{JPK\times N} = (\mathbf{I}_{JP} \otimes \mathbf{H}) \, \mathbf{G}_{JPM\times R} \mathbf{S}^{T} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \mathbf{S}^{T} = [(\mathbf{I}_{JP} \otimes \mathbf{H}) \, \mathbf{G}_{JPM\times R}]^{\dagger} \mathbf{X}_{JPK\times N} \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{JPN\times K} = (\mathbf{I}_{JP} \otimes \mathbf{S}) \, \mathbf{G}_{JPR\times M} \mathbf{H}^{T} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \mathbf{H}^{T} = [(\mathbf{I}_{JP} \otimes \mathbf{S}) \, \mathbf{G}_{JPR\times M}]^{\dagger} \mathbf{X}_{JPN\times K} \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{JPN\times K} = (\mathbf{I}_{JP}\otimes\mathbf{S})\,\mathbf{G}_{JPR\times M}\mathbf{H}' \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \mathbf{H}' = [(\mathbf{I}_{JP}\otimes\mathbf{S})\,\mathbf{G}_{JPR\times M}]^{\dagger}\mathbf{X}_{JPN\times K} \tag{4}$$

S and H are estimated by alternately solving (3)-(4) in the LS sense w.r.t. one matrix conditionally to the knowledge of previously estimated value of the other matrix (BALS algo)

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### PARATUCK-TST coding system (5)

#### Advantages

- Tensor coding and resource allocation (Tx antennas and data streams to time blocks).
- Three diversities are exploited: space (K), time (P), chip (J)
   ⇒ Performance improvement w.r.t. the PARAFAC-CDMA system due to the P block repetition of each transmitted data stream, and multiple transmit antennas (M).
- Transmission rate:  $\frac{R}{P}log_2(\mu)$  bits/channel use, where  $\mu$  is the constellation cardinality
- Scalar scaling ambiguity ⇒ a single pilot symbol is sufficient ⇒ No training sequence is needed for acquiring CSI (channel state information).
- Semi-blind joint channel/symbol estimation.

### PARATUCK-TST coding system (6)

#### Simulation results with QPSK constellation

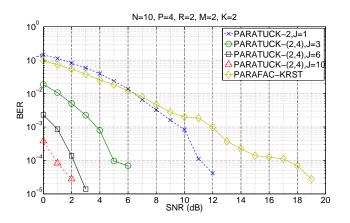


Figure: Impact of the spreading length: BER versus SNR.

BER is improved when J is increased (increase of spreading length).

### PARATUCK-TST coding system (7)

#### Simulation results

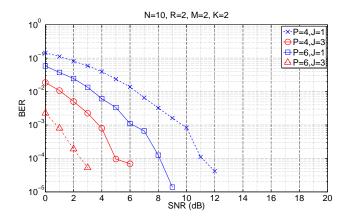


Figure: Impact of P and J: BER versus SNR.

BER  $\searrow$  when P and/or J  $\nearrow$  (diversity gain proportional to KPJ).

# Tensor space/time/frequency (TSTF) coding system (1)

(Favier, de Almeida; IEEE TSP'2014)

MIMO system with M transmit and K receive antennas.

Transmission decomposed into P time blocks of N symbol periods, each one being composed of J chips.

During each time block p, the transceiver uses F subcarriers to send R data streams containing N information symbols each, which form the symbol matrix  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times R}$  with entries  $s_{n,r}$ , n=1,...,N; r=1,...,R.

 $\Rightarrow$  CDMA-OFDM system.



### TSTF coding system (2)

Transmitter characterized by two tensors: a fifth-order coding tensor  $\mathcal{W} \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times R \times F \times P \times J}$  and a fourth-order resource allocation tensor  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times R \times F \times P}$  composed uniquely of 1's and 0's.

 $c_{m,r,f,p}=1 \Rightarrow \text{data stream } r \text{ transmitted using transmit antenna } m \text{ and subcarrier } f$ , during time-block p.

Transmission of a linear combination of R coded signals:

$$u_{m,n,f,p,j} = \sum_{r=1}^{R} \underbrace{w_{m,r,f,p,j}}_{\text{code}} s_{n,r} \underbrace{c_{m,r,f,p}}_{\text{allocations}}$$

Multiplication by  $w_{m,r,f,p,j} \Rightarrow$  each symbol  $s_{n,r}$  is replicated four times, in the space (m), frequency (f), time (p), and chip (j) dimensions.

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## TSTF coding system (3)

Frequency-selective fading channel coefficients  $h_{k,m,f}$  between each pair (m,k) of transmit and receive antennas, at frequency f, assumed constant during P time-blocks, independent, and circularly symmetric complex Gaussian variables, with zero-mean and unit variance.

Received signals define a fifth-order tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times N \times F \times P \times J}$ :

$$x_{k,n,f,p,j} = \sum_{m=1}^{M} h_{k,m,f} u_{m,n,f,p,j} = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \sum_{r=1}^{R} g_{m,r,f,p,j} h_{k,m,f} s_{n,r},$$

$$g_{m,r,f,p,j} = w_{m,r,f,p,j} c_{m,r,f,p}.$$

Core tensor  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times R \times F \times P \times J}$  can be interpreted as the Hadamard product of coding tensor with allocation tensor, along their common modes:  $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{W} \underbrace{\odot}_{\{m,r,f,p\}} \mathcal{C}$ .

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### TSTF coding system (4)

 $\mathcal{X}$  satisfies a generalized PARATUCK-(2,5) model:

$$x_{i_1,i_2,i_3,i_4,i_5} = \sum_{r_1=1}^{R_1} \sum_{r_2=1}^{R_2} g_{r_1,r_2,i_3,i_4,i_5} a_{i_1,r_1,i_3}^{(1)} a_{i_2,r_2}^{(2)},$$

$$g_{r_1,r_2,i_3,i_4,i_5} = w_{r_1,r_2,i_3,i_4,i_5} c_{r_1,r_2,i_3,i_4}.$$

with

$$\left(\textit{I}_{1},\textit{I}_{2},\textit{I}_{3},\textit{I}_{4},\textit{I}_{5},\textit{R}_{1},\textit{R}_{2},\mathcal{A}^{(1)},\boldsymbol{A}^{(2)}\right)\leftrightarrow\left(\textit{K},\textit{N},\textit{F},\textit{P},\textit{J},\textit{M},\textit{R},\mathcal{H},\boldsymbol{S}\right).$$

### TSTF coding system (5)

#### Matrix unfoldings for designing semi-blind receivers

$$\mathbf{X}_{JPFK \times N} = (\mathbf{I}_{JP} \otimes bdiag(\mathbf{H}_{..f}))\mathbf{G}_{JPFM \times R} \mathbf{S}^{T},$$
  
 $\mathbf{X}_{JPFN \times K} = (\mathbf{I}_{JPF} \otimes \mathbf{S})\mathbf{G}_{JPFR \times FM} \mathbf{H}_{FM \times K}$ 

⇒ BALS semi-blind receiver (Favier, de Almeida; IEEE TSP'2016)

$$X_{NK \times FPJ} = (S \otimes H_{K \times FM})G_{RFM \times FPJ}$$

⇒ Closed form (Kronecker-based) semi-blind receiver

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## TSTF coding system (6)

#### Uniqueness issue

#### Generalized Tucker-(2,5) model of TSTF system

- From the unfolding  $\mathbf{X}_{NK \times FPJ} = (\mathbf{S} \otimes \mathbf{H}_{K \times FM}) \mathbf{G}_{RFM \times FPJ}$ , it can be proved that the symbol matrix and the channel tensor are unique up to an unknown scalar factor.
- Ambiguity can be eliminated with the knowledge of a single pilot symbol at the receiver.

### TSTF coding system (7)

#### **BALS** receiver

- 1. Initialization (it=0): randomly draw  $\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{(0)}$  from the symbol alphabet.
- 2. it=it+1.
- 3. Calculate the LS estimate of the channel tensor  $(\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{FM\times K})_{(it)} = ((\mathbf{I}_{JPF}\otimes\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{(it-1)})\mathbf{G}_{JPFR\times FM})^{\dagger}\tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{JPFN\times K}$
- 4. Calculate the LS estimate of the symbol matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{(it)}^{T} = ((\mathbf{I}_{JP} \otimes bdiag(\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{..f})_{(it)})\mathbf{G}_{JPFM \times R})^{\dagger} \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{JPFK \times N}$
- 5. Return to Step 2 until convergence.
- 6. Eliminate the scaling ambiguity

$$\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{(\textit{final})} = \hat{\mathbf{S}}_{(\infty)} \big[ \mathit{D}_{1}(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{(\infty)}) \big]^{-1}$$

7. Project the estimated symbols onto the symbol alphabet.

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### TSTF coding system (8)

Diversity gain and transmission rate (Costa, Favier; submitted to Elsevier SP 2017)

The performance analysis is based on the pairwise error probability (PEP) of the maximum likelihood (ML) estimator of the symbol matrix  $\mathbf{S}$ .

The diversity gain is defined as the negative of the asymptotic slope of the plot  $PEP(\rho)$  on a log-log scale, where  $\rho$  denotes the received SNR.

#### Diversity gain and transmission rate

Define  $\alpha^{(f,p)}$  and  $\beta^{(f,p)}$  as the numbers of transmit antennas used and of data streams transmitted with the subcarrier f, during the time block p.

For a full allocation strategy:  $\alpha^{(f,p)} = M$ ,  $\beta^{(f,p)} = R$ , for all (f,p).

- Maximal diversity gain:  $KJ\sum_{f=1}^{F}\sum_{p=1}^{P}\min(\alpha^{(f,p)},\beta^{(f,p)}).$
- Transmission rate (in bits per channel use):  $T_r = \frac{R}{FP} \log_2(\mu)$  where  $\mu$  is the cardinality of the symbol constellation.

# Tensor modeling of MIMO communication systems

Comparison of tensor-based systems (Costa, Favier; submitted to SP'2017)

#### Simulation results

- Comparison of ZF receivers (channel perfectly known at the receiver) for  $ST^{(1)}$ , TST,  $STF^{(2)}$ , and TSTF systems, with full allocation and same product  $FP=8 \Rightarrow$  same transmission rate (1 bit/channel use).
- M=K=R=2, N=10, 16-PSK.
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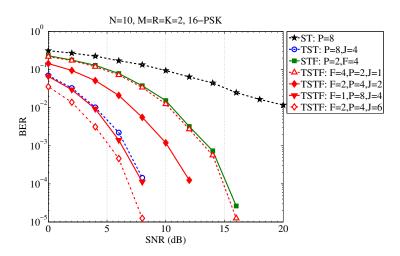


Figure: ZF receivers: Impact of the design parameters (F, P, J) on the BER.

#### Tensor modeling of MIMO communication systems

Comparison of tensor-based systems (7)

#### Comments on simulation results

- Worst BER performance with ST, due to the smallest diversity gain.
- TSTF with (F, P, J) = (4, 2, 1) and STF with (F, P) = (4, 2) give nearly the same BER.
- TSTF with (F, P, J) = (1, 8, 4) and TST with (P, J) = (8, 4) provide close BERs, with FPJ = 32, explaining the BER improvement.
- Impact of FPJ on the BER performance, i.e. the diversity gain: TSTF with  $(F, P, J) = \{(4, 2, 1), (2, 4, 2), (1, 8, 4), (2, 4, 6)\}$ , corresponding to  $FPJ = \{8, 16, 32, 48\} \Rightarrow$  Best performance with (F, P, J) = (2, 4, 6) corresponding to FPJ = 48.

TSTF allows more flexibility for choosing the design parameters and best performance, due to the fifth-order coding tensor which exploits four spreading dimensions (space, frequency, time, chip).

# Tensor-based relaying communication systems (1)

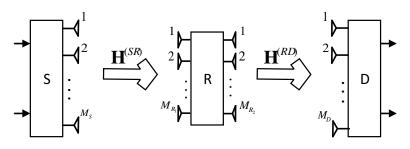


Figure: Block diagram of one-way two-hop MIMO relay system, with AF protocol.

- $M_D$ ,  $(M_{R_1}, M_{R_2})$ , and  $M_S$  antennas at destination (D), relay (R) and source (S).
- $\mathbf{H}^{(SR)}, \mathbf{H}^{(RD)}$ : source-relay, and relay-destination channels.
- Symbol  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times M_S}$  and code  $(\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{P \times M_S})$  and  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{C}^{J \times M_R}$  matrices.

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#### Tensor-based relaying communication systems (2)

Three different tensor models and semi-blind receivers depending on source and relay codings:

(AF protocol)

KRST source coding ⇒ PARATUCK model (IEEE TSP 2014).

Double KRST coding  $\Rightarrow$  Nested PARAFAC model (IEEE TSP 2015).

Double TST coding ⇒ Nested Tucker model (Elsevier SP 2016).

#### Nested PARAFAC MIMO relay system (1)

(Ximenes, Favier, de Almeida; IEEE TSP'2015)

KRST coding (without precoding) at the source and the relay 
$$(M_{R1} = M_{R2} = M_R)$$

Signals received at antenna  $m_R$  of relay

$$y_{m_R,p,n} = \sum_{m_s=1}^{M_S} h_{m_R,m_S}^{(SR)} c_{p,m_S} s_{n,m_S} \Leftrightarrow \text{PARAFAC}(\mathbf{H}^{(SR)}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{S})$$

Signals received at antenna  $m_D$  of destination node

PARAFAC $(\mathbf{H}^{(RD)}, \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{Y}_{PN\times M_P})$ 

$$x_{m_{D},j,p,n}^{(SRD)} = \sum_{m_{R}=1}^{M_{R}} h_{m_{D},m_{R}}^{(RD)} g_{j,m_{R}} y_{m_{R},p,n} = \sum_{m_{R}} \sum_{m_{S}} h_{m_{D},m_{R}}^{(RD)} g_{j,m_{R}} h_{m_{R},m_{S}}^{(SR)} c_{p,m_{S}} s_{n,m_{S}}$$

Nested PARAFAC

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## Nested PARAFAC MIMO relay system (2)

$$x_{m_{D},j,p,n}^{(SRD)} = \sum_{m_{S}} \sum_{m_{R}} h_{m_{D},m_{R}}^{(RD)} g_{j,m_{R}} h_{m_{R},m_{S}}^{(SR)} c_{p,m_{S}} s_{n,m_{S}}$$

$$= \sum_{m_{S}} z_{m_{D},j,m_{S}} c_{p,m_{S}} s_{n,m_{S}} \Rightarrow (\hat{\mathcal{Z}}, \hat{\mathbf{S}}); \; \mathcal{Z} = \text{effective channel}$$

$$z_{m_{D},j,m_{S}} = \sum_{m_{R}} h_{m_{D},m_{R}}^{(RD)} g_{j,m_{R}} h_{m_{R},m_{S}}^{(SR)} \Rightarrow (\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(RD)}, \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(SR)})$$

$$PARAFAC(\mathbf{H}^{(RD)}, \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{H}^{(SR)})$$

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# Channel and symbol estimation C and G assumed to be known at destination Two solutions

#### Solution based on PARAFAC model of ${\mathcal Z}$

- **1** PARAFAC( $\mathbf{Z}_{M_DJxM_S}$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}$ ) of  $\mathcal{X}^{(SRD)}$   $\overset{\text{Two-step ALS}}{\rightarrow}$   $(\hat{\mathcal{Z}}, \hat{\mathbf{S}})$ .

#### Solution based on PARAFAC model of ${\cal Y}$

- $\bullet \ \mathsf{PARAFAC}(\mathbf{H}^{(RD)}, \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{Y}_{PN\times M_R}) \ \mathsf{of} \ \mathcal{X}^{(SRD)} \overset{\mathrm{Two-step}}{\to} \ (\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(RD)}, \ \hat{\mathcal{Y}}).$
- ② PARAFAC( $\mathbf{H}^{(SR)}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{S}$ ) of  $\mathcal{Y}$   $\overset{\mathrm{Two-step}}{\to} \overset{\mathrm{ALS}}{\to} (\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(SR)}, \hat{\mathbf{S}}).$

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#### Nested PARAFAC MIMO relay system (4)

- Rewriting the nested PARAFAC model in terms of the tensors  $\mathcal Z$  or  $\mathcal Y$  which satisfy themselves two PARAFAC models, allows to estimate the system's parameters in two stages using a two-step ALS algorithm at each stage.
- **G** and **C** being assumed to be known at destination, each PARAFAC model contains only two unknown matrix factors ⇒ estimation can be solved using a closed-form (SVD-based) solution at each stage.

#### Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (1)

(Favier, Fernandes, de Almeida; SP 2016)

#### TST coding at the source and the destination

$$\mathbf{S} \quad \boxed{\mathbf{C}^{(S)} \quad \mathbf{H}^{(SR)} \quad \mathbf{C}^{(R)} \quad \mathbf{H}^{(RD)} = \mathbf{X}^{(SRD)}}$$

$$x_{m_{D},j,p,n}^{(SRD)} = \sum_{m_{R_{2}}=1}^{M_{R_{2}}} \sum_{m_{R_{1}}=1}^{M_{R_{1}}} \sum_{m_{S}=1}^{M_{S}} \sum_{r=1}^{R} h_{m_{D},m_{R_{2}}}^{(RD)} \underbrace{c_{m_{R_{2}},j,m_{R_{1}}}^{(RD)}}_{\text{Relay code}} h_{m_{R_{1}},m_{S}}^{(SR)} \underbrace{c_{m_{S},p,r}^{(S)}}_{\text{Source code}} s_{n,r}^{(SR)}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Nested Tucker model  $\Rightarrow$  Semi-blind ALS-based receiver for joint estimation of symbols (S) and channels ( $\mathbf{H}^{(SR)}, \mathbf{H}^{(RD)}$ ).

## Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (2)

$$\mathcal{X}^{(SRD)} \in \mathbb{C}^{M_D \times J \times P \times N}$$

#### Matrix unfoldings

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{X}_{JPN\times M_{D}}^{(SRD)} &= \big(\mathbf{I}_{J} \otimes (\mathbf{I}_{P} \otimes \mathbf{S}) \mathbf{C}_{PR\times M_{S}}^{(S)} \mathbf{H}^{(SR)^{T}} \big) \mathbf{C}_{JM_{R_{1}} \times M_{R_{2}}}^{(R)} \mathbf{H}^{(RD)^{T}} \\ \mathbf{X}_{PJM_{D} \times N}^{(SRD)} &= \big(\mathbf{I}_{P} \otimes (\mathbf{I}_{J} \otimes \mathbf{H}^{(RD)}) \mathbf{C}_{JM_{R_{2}} \times M_{R_{1}}}^{(R)} \mathbf{H}^{(SR)} \big) \mathbf{C}_{PM_{S} \times R}^{(S)} \mathbf{S}^{T} \\ \mathbf{x}_{PNJM_{D}}^{(SRD)} &= \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{X}_{JM_{D} \times PN}^{(SRD)}) \\ &= \big( (\mathbf{I}_{P} \otimes \mathbf{S}) \otimes (\mathbf{I}_{J} \otimes \mathbf{H}^{(RD)}) \big) \big( \mathbf{C}_{PR \times M_{S}}^{(S)} \otimes \mathbf{C}_{JM_{R_{2}} \times M_{R_{1}}}^{(R)} \big) \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{H}^{(SR)}) \end{split}$$

Define the noisy received signals tensor as:  $\tilde{\mathcal{X}} = \mathcal{X} + \mathcal{N}$ , where  $\mathcal{N}$  is the additive noise tensor.

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## Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (3)

Three-step ALS receiver

- 1. Initialization (it=0): randomly draw  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}_0^{(SR)}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{S}}_0$  from symbol alphabet
- 2. it = it + 1.
- 3. Calculate the LS estimate of the channel  $\mathbf{H}^{(RD)}$

$$(\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{it}^{(RD)})^T = \left( (\mathbf{I}_J \otimes (\mathbf{I}_P \otimes \hat{\mathbf{S}}_{it-1}) \mathbf{C}_{PR \times M_S}^{(S)} (\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{it-1}^{(SR)})^T \right) \mathbf{C}_{JM_{R_1} \times M_{R_2}}^{(R)} \right)^{\dagger} \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{JPN \times M_D}^{(SRD)}.$$

4. Calculate the LS estimate of the symbol matrix

$$\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{it}^{T} = \left( \left( \mathbf{I}_{P} \otimes (\mathbf{I}_{J} \otimes \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{it}^{(RD)}) \mathbf{C}_{JM_{R_{2}} \times M_{R_{1}}}^{(R)} \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{it-1}^{(SR)} \right) \mathbf{C}_{PM_{S} \times R}^{(S)} \right)^{\dagger} \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_{PJM_{D} \times N}^{(SRD)}$$

- 5. Calculate the LS estimate of the channel  $\mathbf{H}^{(SR)}$  from  $\mathrm{vec}(\mathbf{\tilde{X}}_{JM_D \times PN}^{(SRD)})$
- 6. Return to Step 2 until convergence.
- 7. Eliminate the scaling ambiguities.
- 8. Project the estimated symbols onto the symbol alphabet.

#### Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (4)

System identifiability and ambiguities elimination

#### Necessary identifiability conditions

$$J \ge \max(\frac{M_{R_2}}{M_{R_1}}, \frac{M_{R_1}}{M_{R_2}}), \ P \ge \max(\frac{R}{M_S}, \frac{M_S}{R}), \ M_D \ge M_{R_2}, \ N \ge R, \ PN \ge M_{R_2}$$

Equations for elimination of ambiguities

$$\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{\text{final}} = rac{\hat{\mathbf{S}}_{\infty}}{\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{1,1}} \;,\; \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{final}}^{(RD)} = rac{\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\infty}^{(RD)}}{\hat{h}_{1,1}^{(RD)}} \;,\; \hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{final}}^{(SR)} = \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{1,1}\hat{h}_{1,1}^{(RD)}\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\infty}^{(SR)}.$$

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## Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (5)

Closed-form receiver (Known coding tensors)

- Two stages of Kronecker product approxim. for estimating **S** and  $\mathbf{H}^{(RD)}$ .
- One LS stage for estimating  $\mathbf{H}^{(SR)}$ .

$$\mathbf{X}_{M_DPN\times J}^{(SRD)} = (\mathbf{H}^{(RD)} \otimes \mathbf{V}) \mathbf{C}_{M_{R_2}M_{R_1}\times J}^{(R)} \Rightarrow (\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(RD)}, \hat{\mathbf{V}})$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{NJM_D\times P}^{(SRD)} = (\mathbf{S} \otimes \mathbf{W}) \mathbf{C}_{RM_S\times P}^{(S)} \Rightarrow (\hat{\mathbf{S}}, \hat{\mathbf{W}})$$

$$\mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{I}_P \otimes \mathbf{S}) \mathbf{C}_{PR \times M_S}^{(S)} \mathbf{H}^{(SR)^T} \in \mathbb{C}^{PN \times M_{R_1}} \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(SR)}$$

$$\mathbf{W} = (\mathbf{I}_J \otimes \mathbf{H}^{(RD)}) \mathbf{C}_{JM_{R_2} \times M_{R_3}}^{(R)} \mathbf{H}^{(SR)} \in \mathbb{C}^{JM_D \times M_S} \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(SR)}$$

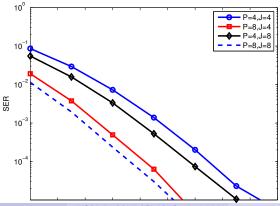
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## Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (6)

Simulations

ZF performance for different values of *P* and *J* (diversity gain proportional to *PJ*)

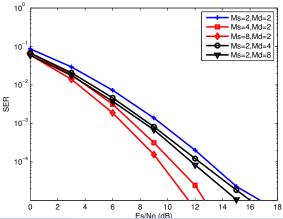
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## Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (7)

Simulations

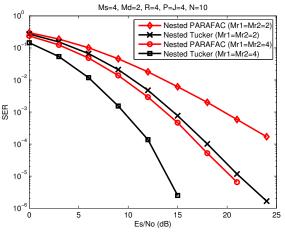
ZF performance for different values of  $M_S$  and  $M_D$  $\Rightarrow M_S \nearrow$  better than  $M_D \nearrow$ 



## Nested Tucker MIMO relay system (8)

Simulations

#### Comparison of Nested Tucker and nested PARAFAC systems



## Global design procedure (1)

- Design of the transmission system:
   Choice of coding, allocations, modulation
   (CDMA/OFDM/CDMA-OFDM), symbol constellation, (QAM, PSK),
   relaying protocol
  - ⇒ Tensor modeling of transmitted signals.
- Channel model
  - ⇒ Tensor modeling of received signals.
- Theoretical performance analysis: determination of diversity gain and transmission rate.
- Study of uniqueness of the tensor model of received signals, and determination of ambiguity relations.



# Global design procedure (2)

- Determination of matrix unfoldings of the received signals tensor.
- Design of receivers:
  - ZF
  - Iterative semi-blind (ALS, Levenberg-Marquardt...)
  - Closed-form semi-blind (based on Khatri-Rao or Kronecker product)
- Study of parameter identifiability depending on the receiver.
- Experimental evaluation:
  - ▶ Test of BER performance in the case of perfect knowledge of channel (with ZF receiver)
  - Test of BER, convergence speed, computational time in the case of joint channel/symbols estimation.



#### Conclusion

#### Benefits of tensor models

Tensor models are very useful for:

- Representing, analysing and estimating multidimensional signals/data,
- Modeling and designing MIMO communication systems,
- Joint semi-blind estimation of symbols and channels in cooperative relay systems.

Tensor representations are particularly interesting when a tensor model is underlined in data as in communication systems.

#### Future works

- Development of new tensor models and study of their uniqueness and identifiability properties. Parameter estimation algorithms.
- Tensor-based multi-hop cooperative relay systems.
- Tensor completion (Estimation of data tensors with missing data):
  - Different solutions depending on the model used for representing the data tensor (PARAFAC, Tucker, TT...), the criterion to minimize, the choice of the modal projectors, the algorithm for optimization.
  - Applications to traffic data, sparse channel estimation for massive MIMO systems...

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