Multilinear Algebra Based Fitting of a Sum of Exponentials to Oversampled Data

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This model is ubiquitous in digital signal processing applications:

- Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy,
- audio processing,
- speech processing,
- material health monitoring,
- shape from moments



The complex exponential model



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The discrete-time model has the following form:

$$x_{n} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} a_{k} \exp\{j\varphi_{k}\} \exp\{(\alpha_{k}+2j\pi\nu_{k})n.\Delta t\} + b_{n} \quad n = 0, \dots, N-1,$$

$$amplitude \qquad damping \qquad sampling time interval factor$$

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$$c_{k} = a_{k} \exp\{j\varphi_{k}\}: \text{ complex amplitudes,}$$

$$z_{k} = \exp\{(\alpha_{k}+2j\pi\nu_{k})\Delta t\}: \text{ signal poles.}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2\Delta t} \qquad 0 \quad \nu_{k} \qquad \frac{1}{2\Delta t}f$$

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Starting point for a subspace representation $\implies \{x_n\}$ is arranged in a Hankel matrix:

 $\boldsymbol{H} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 & x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_{M-1} \\ x_1 & x_2 & \ddots & \cdots & \vdots \\ x_2 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & x_{N-2} \\ x_{L-1} & \cdots & \cdots & x_{N-2} & x_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}$



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H can be factorized as follows (noise-free case):

⇒ Vandermonde decomposition

 $= \underbrace{SCT^{\mathrm{T}}}_{\mathsf{rank-K} \mathsf{matrix}} (3)$

Due to the structure of the noise-free model x_n , H is rank deficient The rank equals the number of signal poles (model order)

 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ z_1^1 & \cdots & z_K^1 \\ z_1^2 & \cdots & z_K^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ z_1^{L-1} & \cdots & z_K^{L-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ & \ddots \\ & \mathbf{0} \\ & c_K \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & z_1^1 & z_1^2 & \cdots & z_1^{M-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & z_K^1 & z_K^2 & \cdots & z_K^{M-1} \end{pmatrix}$



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In the noise-free case, this rank deficiency is reflected by the SVD of H:

$$\boldsymbol{H} = \begin{pmatrix} | & \cdots & | & | & \cdots & | \\ U_{1} & \cdots & U_{K} & \cdots & U_{L} \\ | & \cdots & | & | & \cdots & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{1} & \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ & \ddots & & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \lambda_{K} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ & \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} - & V_{1}^{\mathsf{H}} & - \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ - & V_{K}^{\mathsf{H}} & - \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ - & V_{M}^{\mathsf{H}} & - \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{cc} \widehat{\boldsymbol{U}} \ \boldsymbol{U}_0 \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{cc} \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{cc} \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{\mathsf{H}} \\ \boldsymbol{V}_0^{\mathsf{H}} \end{array} \right) = \widehat{\boldsymbol{U}} \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{\mathsf{H}}$$



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In the presence of noise H is a full rank matrix:

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{\boldsymbol{U}} \ \boldsymbol{U}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{\mathsf{H}} \\ \boldsymbol{V}_0^{\mathsf{H}} \end{pmatrix} = \widehat{\boldsymbol{U}} \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{\mathsf{H}}$$

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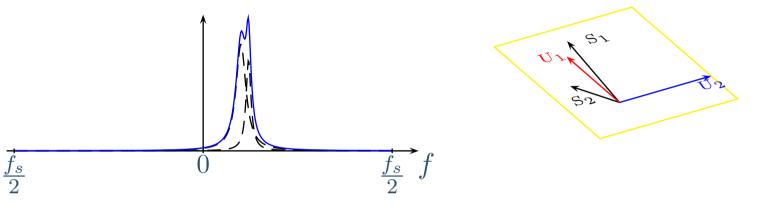
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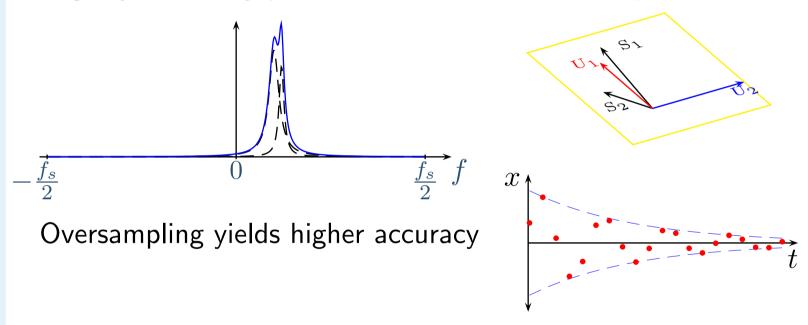
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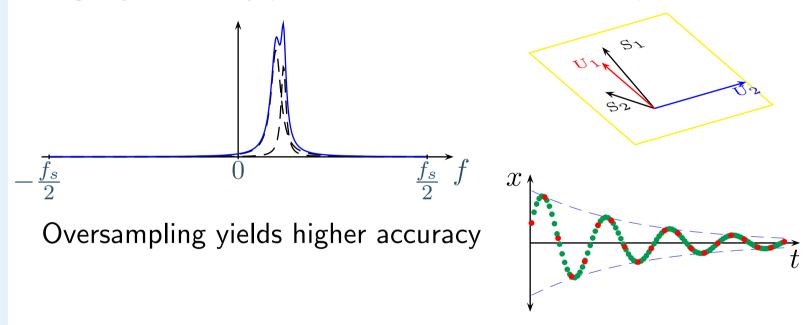
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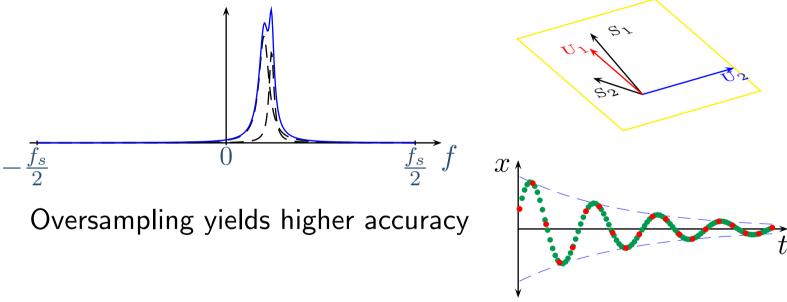
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 \implies The SVD of \boldsymbol{H} becomes computationally expensive

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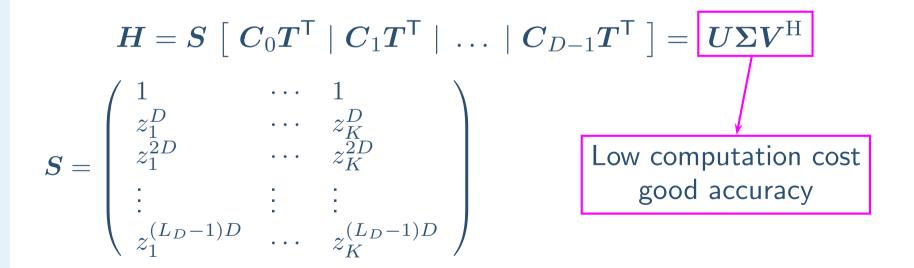
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 $x_0 x_1 \cdots x_{D-1} x_D x_{D+1} \cdots x_{2D-1} x_{2D} x_{2D+1} \cdots x_{N-1}$

$$x_n^{(d)} = x_{nD+d} = \sum_{k=1}^K c_k z^{nD+d} \quad n = 0, \dots, \frac{N}{D} - 1, \ d = 0, \dots, D - 1,$$

 $\boldsymbol{H} = \left[\begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{H}_0 \mid \boldsymbol{H}_1 \mid \ldots \mid \boldsymbol{H}_{D-1} \end{array} \right].$





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The structure of H is more complex:

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$$C_d = \mathsf{diag}\{c_1 \dots, c_k\}. (\mathsf{diag}\{z_1 \dots, z_k\})^d$$

The results could be better if this structure could be taken into account.

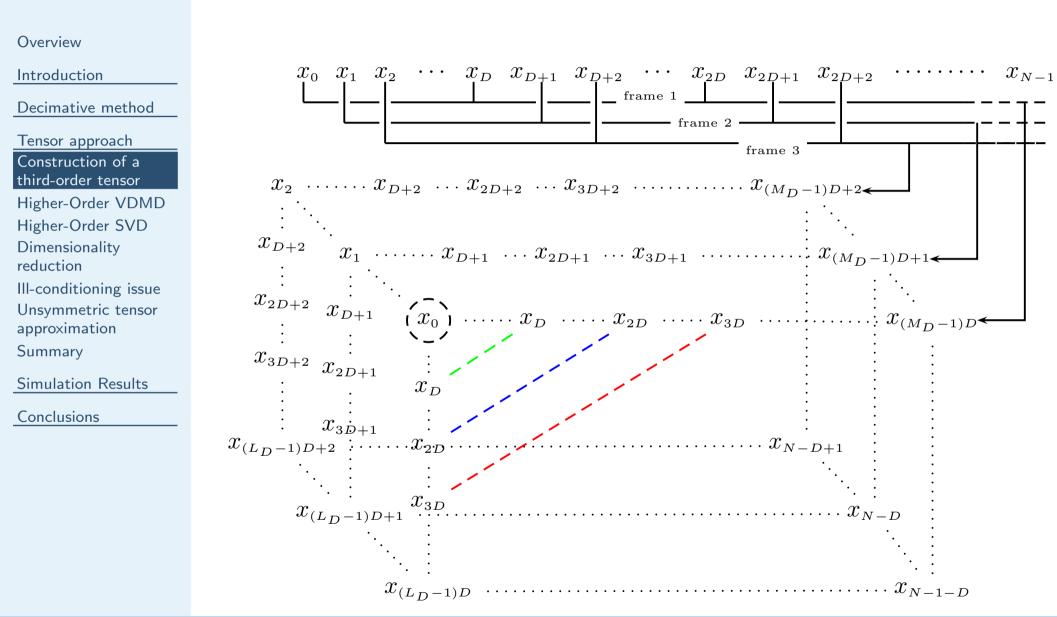
Is any matrix decomposition able exploit the complete structure of ${\boldsymbol H}$?

 \implies limits of the traditional linear algebra !!

The whole structure can be handled using multilinear algebra

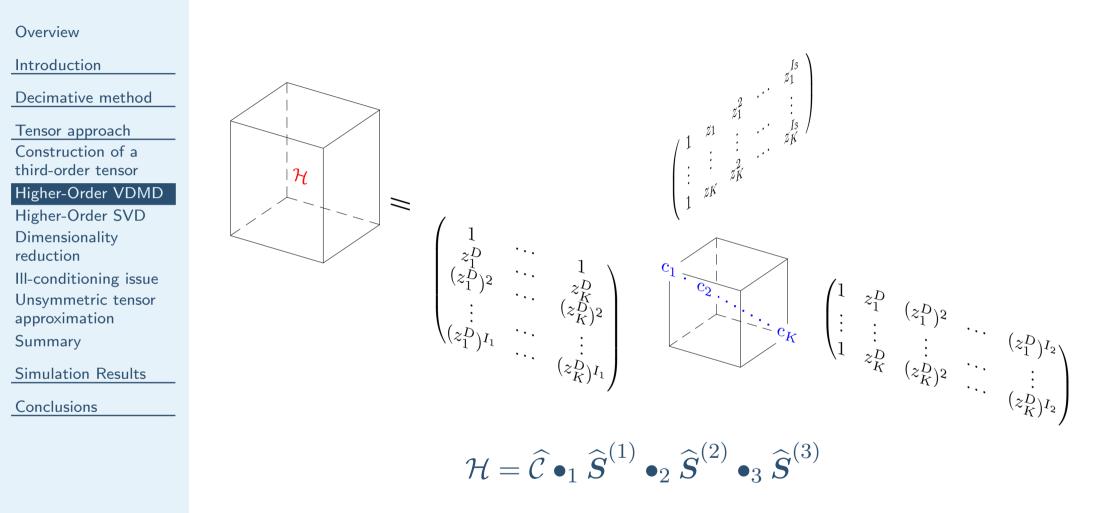


Construction of a third-order tensor





Higher-Order VDMD



In the noise-free case ${\cal H}$ is a rank-K tensor



The Tucker Decomposition or Higher-Order SVD



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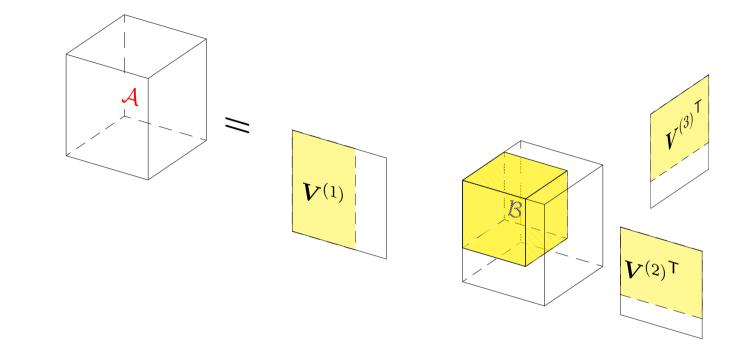
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If \mathcal{H} is *n*-mode rank deficient, only the shaded part of the core-tensor contains entries different from zero.

$$\mathcal{H} = \widehat{\mathcal{S}} \bullet_1 \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{(1)} \bullet_2 \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{(2)} \bullet_3 \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{(3)}$$

denotes the (truncated) yellow part



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Given a complex third-order tensor $\mathcal{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times M \times D}$, find a rank-(K, K, K) tensor $\hat{\mathcal{H}}$ that minimizes the least-squares cost function

$$f(\widehat{\mathcal{H}}) = \left\| \mathcal{H} - \widehat{\mathcal{H}} \right\|^2.$$
(3)

Due to the *n*-rank constraints, $\widehat{\mathcal{H}}$ can be decomposed as :

$$\widehat{\mathcal{H}} = \mathcal{B} \bullet_1 \boldsymbol{U}^{(1)} \bullet_2 \boldsymbol{U}^{(2)} \bullet_3 \boldsymbol{U}^{(3)}$$
(4)

in which $U^{(1)} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times K}$, $U^{(2)} \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times K}$, $U^{(3)} \in \mathbb{C}^{D \times K}$ each have orthonormal columns and $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times K \times K}$ is an all-orthogonal tensor.

HOOI [Kroonenberg '84, De Lathauwer '00], Newton [Eldén and Savas '08], Quasi-Newton [Savas and Lim '08], Conjugate gradient [Ishteva '08], Trust region [Ishteva '08], Oja [Ishteva '08], Krylov [Savas and Eldén '08]



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- The theory gives us the *true* rank of the data tensor,
- Since there is no decimation effect along the 3rd mode, the mode-3 subspace is generally ill-conditioned



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Theorem (Unsymmetric tensor approximation) Consider a tensor $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{C}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times I_3}$ that is rank- (R_1, R_2, R_3) . Let the HOSVD of \mathcal{A} be given by

$$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B} \bullet_1 \mathbf{V}^{(1)} \bullet_2 \mathbf{V}^{(2)} \bullet_3 \mathbf{V}^{(3)}.$$

Then the best rank- (R_1, R_2, \tilde{R}_3) approximation of \mathcal{A} , with $\tilde{R}_3 < R_3$, is obtained by truncation of \mathcal{B} and $U^{(3)}$.

• As a consequence of this theorem one can concentrate on the dominant part of the data tensor by decreasing the mode-3 rank without losing the data structure in the mode-1 and 2 subspace.

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$$x_{n} \longrightarrow x_{m}^{(d)} \longrightarrow \boldsymbol{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{0} \mid \boldsymbol{H}_{1} \mid \cdots \mid \boldsymbol{H}_{D-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{H}_{n} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times M} \\ \boldsymbol{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times M.D} \end{array}$$
$$\longrightarrow \boldsymbol{H} \stackrel{SVD}{=} \boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{V}^{\mathrm{H}} \longrightarrow \boldsymbol{\widehat{U}} = \boldsymbol{U}[:, 1:K]$$

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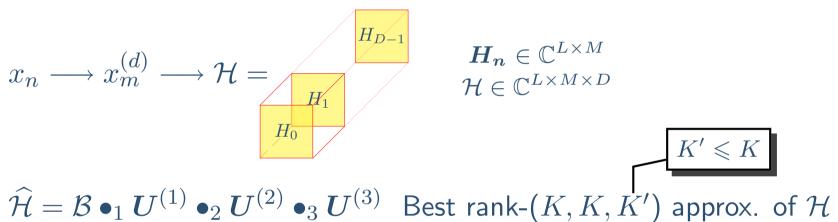
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Decimative tensor approach:

$$x_{n} \longrightarrow x_{m}^{(d)} \longrightarrow \mathcal{H} = H_{1} \qquad H_{n} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times M} \\ \mathcal{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times M \times D} \\ \widehat{\mathcal{H}} = \mathcal{B} \bullet_{1} U^{(1)} \bullet_{2} U^{(2)} \bullet_{3} U^{(3)} \quad \text{Best rank-}(K, K, K') \text{ approx. of } \mathcal{H} \\ \text{Total least squares (TLS) solution:} \\ [\widehat{U}_{\downarrow} \widehat{U}^{\uparrow}] = Y_{(L-1) \times (L-1)} \Gamma W_{2K \times 2K}^{\mathsf{H}} \\ W = \begin{bmatrix} W_{11} & W_{12} \\ W_{21} & W_{22} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \Longrightarrow \qquad \widehat{\widetilde{Z}} = -W_{12} W_{22}^{-1} \\ \end{array}$$



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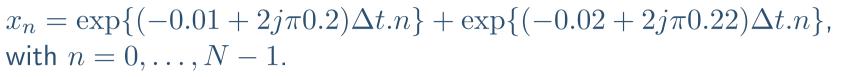
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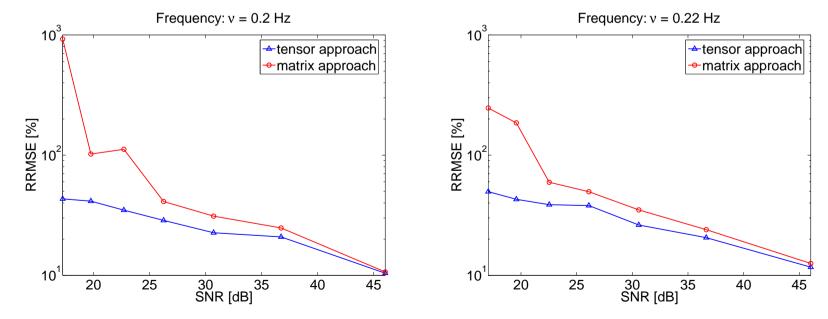
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Number of samples N = 625, decimation factor D = 25, sampling time interval $\Delta t = 0.04$.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Tensor:} \ \mathcal{H}_{13\times13\times25} = \mathcal{B}_{2\times2\times2} \bullet_1 \boldsymbol{U}_{2\times13}^{(1)} \bullet_2 \boldsymbol{U}_{2\times13}^{(2)} \bullet_3 \boldsymbol{U}_{2\times25}^{(3)} \\ \text{Matrix:} \ H_{13\times325} = \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{2\times2} \bullet_1 \widehat{\boldsymbol{U}}_{2\times13} \bullet_2 \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}_{2\times325}^* \ (= \widehat{\boldsymbol{U}} \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} \widehat{\boldsymbol{V}}^{\mathsf{H}}) \end{array}$$





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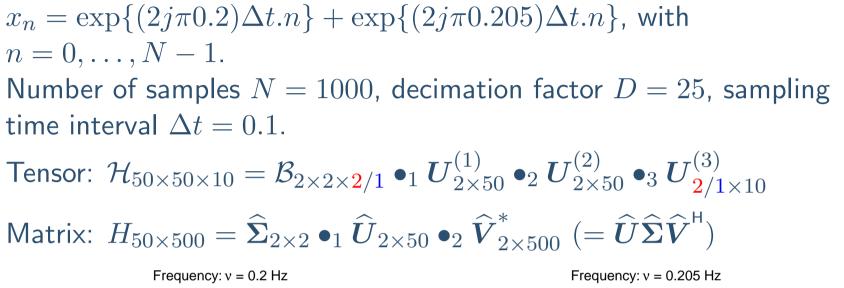
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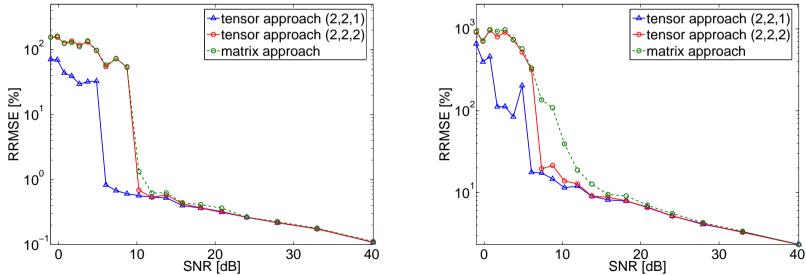
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$Peak\ k$	$ u_k \; [Hz] $	$\alpha_k \; [{ m s}^{\text{-}1}]$	a_k [a.u.] a	$\varphi_k \ [\circ]^b$
1	-1379	208	6.1	15
2	-685	256	9.9	15
4	-271	197	6.0	15
3	353	117	2.8	15
5	478	808	17	15
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^a a.u., arbitrary units

 $^{b} \varphi_{k} imes rac{\pi}{180}$ expresses the phase in radians

Tensor: $\mathcal{H}_{26 \times 25 \times 10} = \mathcal{B}_{2 \times 2 \times 1/2/3/4/5} \bullet_1 U_{5 \times 26}^{(1)} \bullet_2 U_{5 \times 25}^{(2)} \bullet_3 U_{1/2/3/4/5 \times 10}^{(3)}$ Matrix: $H_{26 \times 250} = \widehat{\Sigma}_{5 \times 5} \bullet_1 \widehat{U}_{5 \times 26} \bullet_5 \widehat{V}_{5 \times 250}^* (= \widehat{U} \widehat{\Sigma} \widehat{V}^{\mathsf{H}})$



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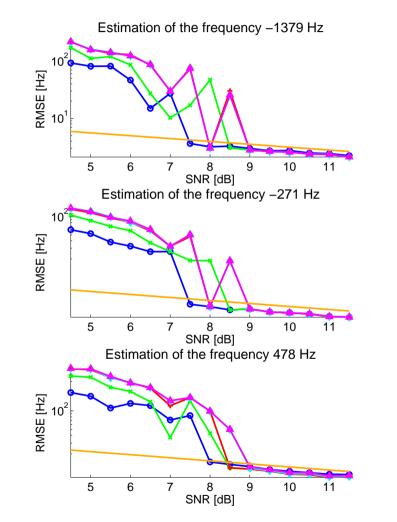
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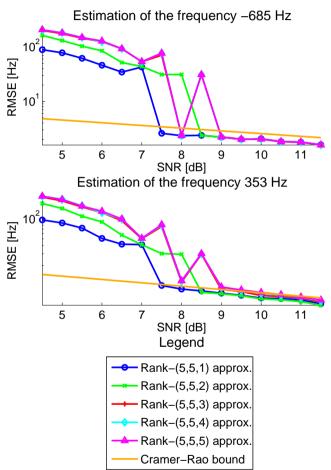
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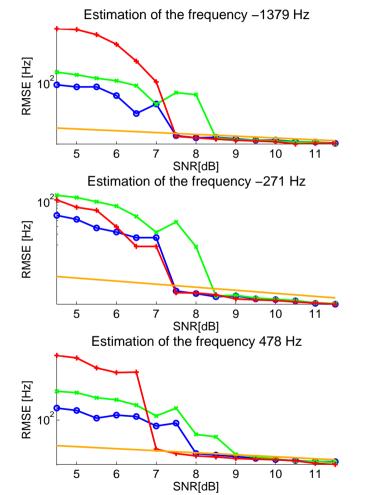
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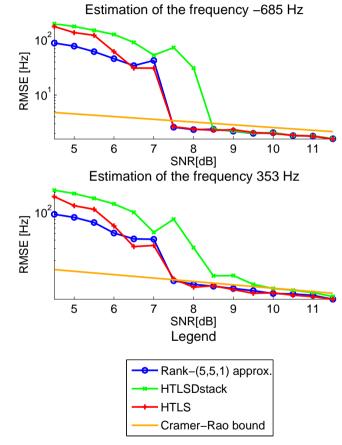
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- We considered oversampled signals whose poles are potentially very close,
- In the decimative matrix approach the structure is partially taken into account,
- A multilinear approach helps to reveal the rest of the structure (e.g. HOVDMD of the $(L \times M \times D)$ -tensor),
- And shows a rank deficiency: \mathcal{H} is a rank-(K, K, K) tensor,
- Ill-conditioned modes can be treated in a different manner than well-conditioned modes (unsymmetric dimensionality reduction),
- The best rank-(K, K, K') with $K' \leq K$ approximation of the noisy data tensor consistently yields a better subspace estimate than the best rank-K approximation of the noisy data matrix.