On Polar Decomposition of Tensors with Einstein Product and a Novel Iterative Parametric Method

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Abstract. This study aims to investigate the polar decomposition of tensors with the Einstein product for the first time. The polar decomposition of tensors can be computed using the singular value decomposition of the tensors with the Einstein product. In the following, some iterative methods for finding the polar decomposition of matrices have been developed into iterative methods to compute the polar decomposition of tensors. Then, we propose a novel parametric iterative method to find the polar decomposition of tensors. Under the obtained conditions, we prove that the proposed parametric method has the order of convergence four. In every iteration of the proposed method, only four Einstein products are required, while other iterative methods need to calculate multiple Einstein products and one tensor inversion in each iteration. Thus, the new method is superior in terms of efficiency index. Finally, the numerical comparisons performed among several well-known methods, show that the proposed method is remarkably efficient and accurate.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this study, matrices are denoted by uppercase letters A, B, \ldots , and tensors are written in calligraphic font $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \ldots$. Tensors occur in a wide variety of application areas such as in document analysis, psychometrics, formulation an *n*-person noncooperative game, medical engineering, chemometrics, higher-order, and so on [6, 15, 18, 24, 25]. Suppose that N is a positive integer, an N-th order tensor $\mathcal{A} = (a_{i_1...i_N})_{1 \le i_i \le P_i}$ is a multidimensional array with $P_1 \ldots P_N$ entries. The tensor \mathcal{A} is

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called a hyper-matrix or the tensor is the higher-order generalization of vectors and matrices.

In the following, we give some definitions of tensors and the Einstein product which are used in the body of this manuscript [3, 4, 12, 13, 20].

Definition 1.1 ([5]). Let N and M be positive integers, also $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N \times Q_1 \times \cdots \times Q_N}$ and $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{Q_1 \times \cdots \times Q_N \times K_1 \times \cdots \times K_M}$ are tensors. Then the Einstein product of \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} is defined as follows:

$$(\mathcal{A} *_N \mathcal{B})_{p_1 \dots p_N k_1 \dots k_M} := \sum_{q_N}^{Q_N} \cdots \sum_{q_1}^{Q_1} a_{p_1 \dots p_N q_1 \dots q_N} b_{q_1 \dots q_N k_1 \dots k_M},$$
(1.1)

therefore, $\mathcal{A} *_N \mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N \times K_1 \times \cdots \times K_M}$.

Note that if N = M = 1, the Einstein product reduces to the standard matrix multiplication.

Definition 1.2 ([5]). Let $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N \times Q_1 \times \cdots \times Q_N}$ be a tensor, then transpose and Frobenius norm of the tensor \mathcal{A} are defined as follows:

$$(\mathcal{A}^T)_{p_1\dots p_N q_1\dots q_N} := (\mathcal{A})_{q_1\dots q_N p_1\dots p_N},$$

and

$$\|\mathcal{A}\| := \sqrt{\sum_{q_1\dots q_N, p_1\dots p_N} (a_{q_1\dots q_N p_1\dots p_N})^2},$$

respectively.

Definition 1.3. A tensor $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N \times Q_1 \times \cdots \times Q_N}$ is a symmetric tensor if $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}^T$, it means

$$a_{p_1,p_2,\ldots,p_n,q_1,q_2,\ldots,q_n} = a_{q_1,q_2,\ldots,q_n,p_1,p_2,\ldots,p_n}.$$

Definition 1.4 ([5]). A tensor $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N \times P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N}$ is said to be a diagonal tensor if $a_{p_1 \dots p_N q_1 \dots q_N} = 0$ for $p_l \neq q_l$, $l = 1, \dots, N$. A diagonal tensor $\mathcal{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N \times P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N}$ is identity if

$$i_{p_1\dots p_N q_1\dots q_N} = \prod_{k=1}^N \delta_{p_l q_l},$$

where

$$\delta_{p_l q_l} = \begin{cases} 1, & p_l = q_l, \\ 0, & p_l \neq q_l. \end{cases}$$

Definition 1.5. A tensor $\mathcal{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{P_1 \times \cdots \times P_N \times Q_1 \times \cdots \times Q_N}$ is an orthogonal tensor if

$$\mathcal{A}^T *_N \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{I}.$$