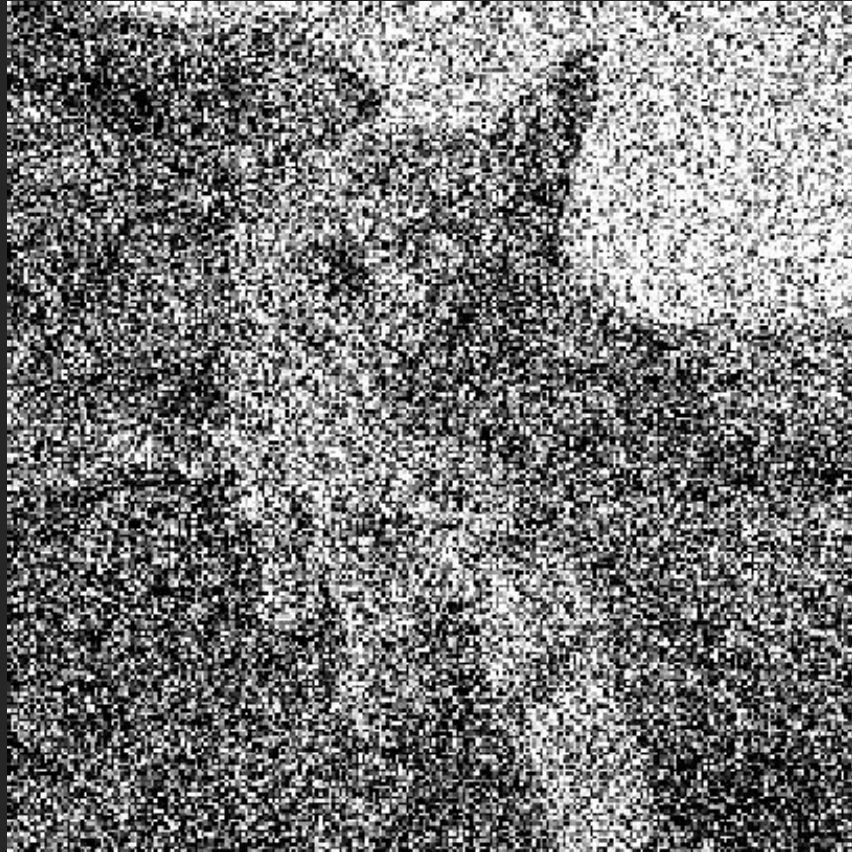


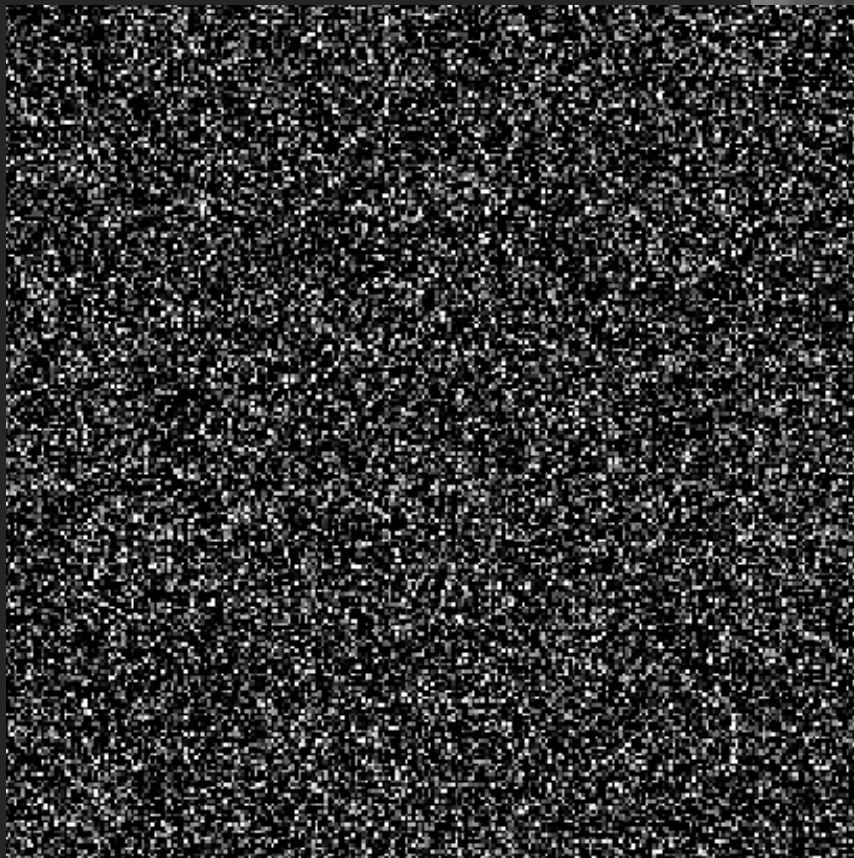
# A Bayesian Approach to Tensor Decompositions

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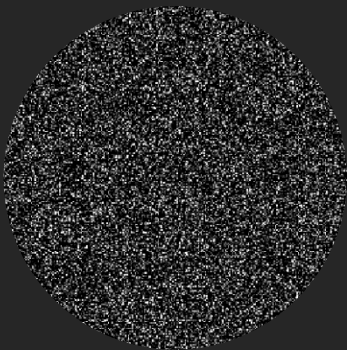
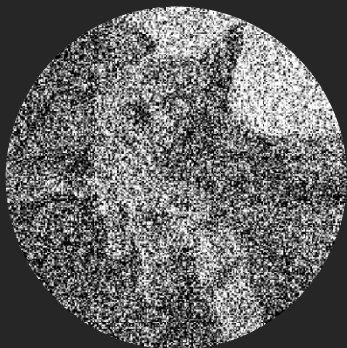
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Noise

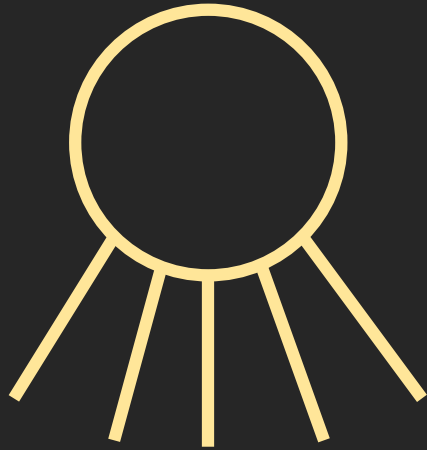


Low-rank

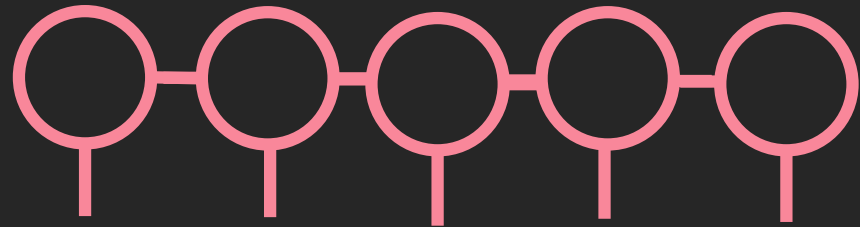


$$\mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{Y}_{lr} + \mathcal{E}$$

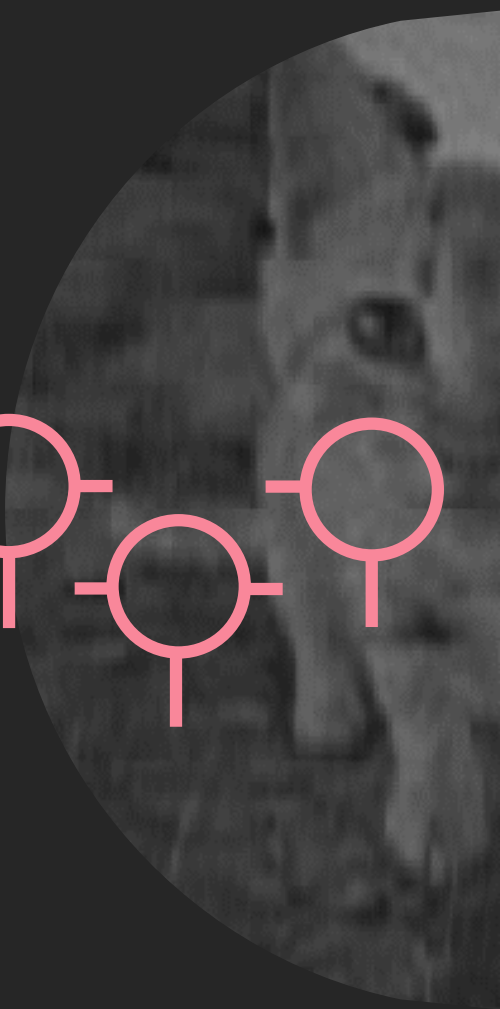
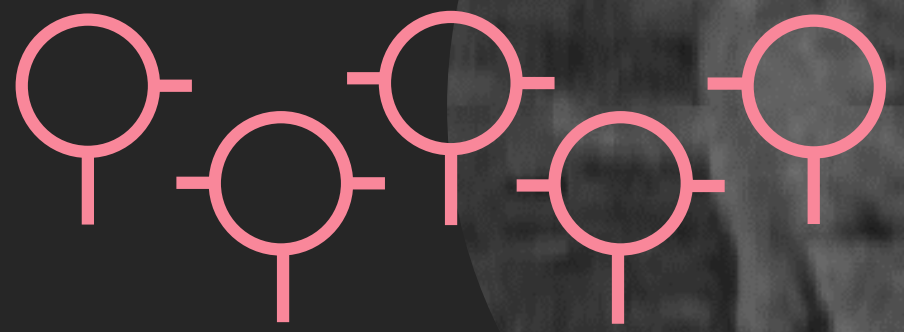
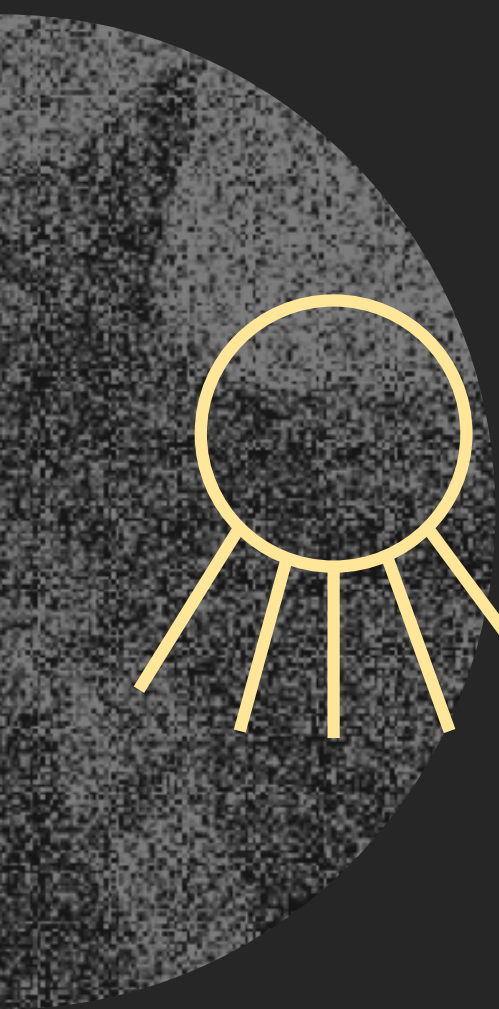
$$\text{vec}(\mathcal{E}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

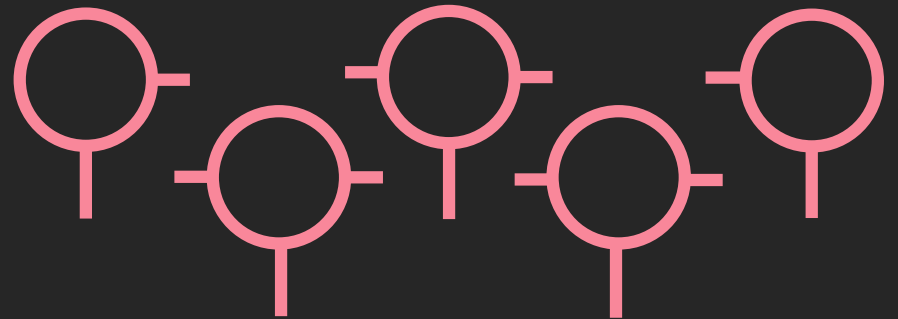
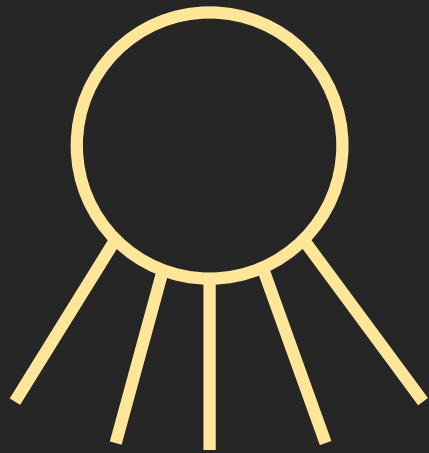
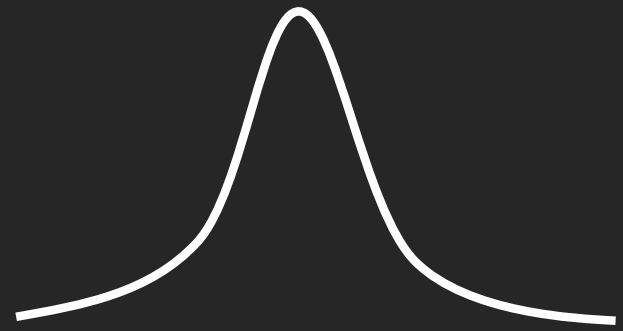
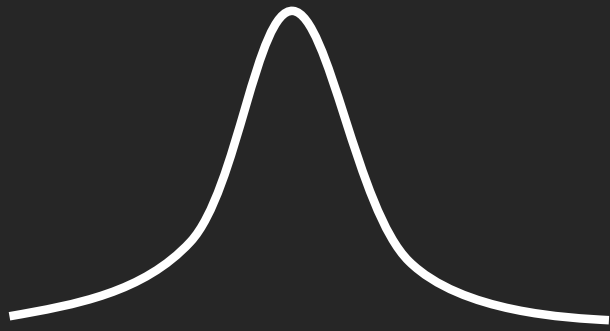


5-way tensor



Tensor Decomposition





$$P(\bullet) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$P(\text{♀ ♀ ♀ | ☀})$$



# | Bayes rule

$$P(\{\mathbf{g}_i\} | \mathbf{y})$$

$$P(\text{♀♀♀♀♀} | \text{☀})$$

# | Bayes rule

$$P(\text{♀♀} \mid \text{♂}) = \frac{P(\text{♂} \mid \text{♀♀}) P(\text{♀♀})}{P(\text{♂})}$$

# | Model choices

Gaussian random variables

$$P(\mathbf{y} \mid \{\mathbf{g}_i\}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbf{y}}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$P(\text{♀♀♀} \mid \text{♂}) = \frac{P(\text{♂} \mid \text{♀♀♀}) P(\text{♀♀♀})}{P(\text{♂})}$$

Prior for tensor decomposition components

$$P(\{\mathbf{g}_i\}) \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1^0 \\ \mu_2^0 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_N^0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_1^0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_2^0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \Sigma_N^0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Assuming statistical independence

$$P(\{\mathbf{g}_i\}) = P(\mathbf{g}_1)P(\mathbf{g}_2) \dots P(\mathbf{g}_N)$$

# | Model choices

Gaussian random variables

$$P(\text{children} | \text{parent}) = \frac{P(\text{parent} | \text{children}) P(\text{children})}{P(\text{parent})}$$


# | Model choices

Gaussian random variables  
Statistical independence

$$P(\text{females} | \text{male}) = \frac{P(\text{male} | \text{females}) P(\text{f}_1) P(\text{f}_2) P(\text{f}_3)}{P(\text{male})}$$

# | Model choices

Gaussian random variables  
Statistical independence

$$P(\text{♀♀♀} | \text{♂}) = \frac{P(\text{♂} | \text{♀♀♀}) P(\text{♀}) P(\text{♀}) P(\text{♀})}{P(\text{♂})}$$

# | Model choices

Gaussian random variables

Statistical independence

Block-coordinate descent

$$P(\text{red nodes} | \text{yellow node}) = \frac{P(\text{yellow node} | \text{red nodes}) P(\text{red node}) P(\text{red node}) P(\text{red node})}{P(\text{yellow node})}$$

$$P(\text{red node} | \text{yellow node}, \text{red nodes}) = \frac{P(\text{yellow node} | \text{red nodes}) P(\text{red node})}{P(\text{yellow node} | \text{red nodes})}$$



# | Model choices

Gaussian random variables

Statistical independence

Block-coordinate descent

$$P(\mathbf{y} \mid \{\mathbf{g}_i\}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbf{y}}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

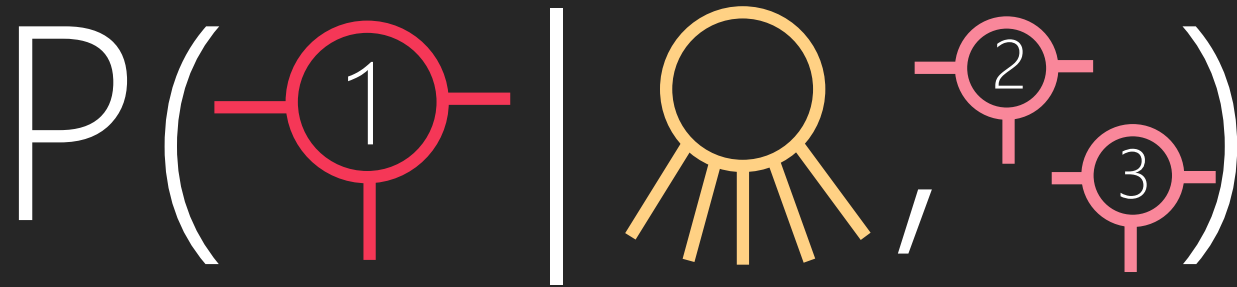
$$P(\mathbf{y} \mid \{\mathbf{g}_i\}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{U}_{\setminus n} \mathbf{g}_n, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$P(\text{red circle} | \text{yellow circle}, \text{red circles}) = \frac{P(\text{yellow circle} | \text{red circles})P(\text{red circle})}{P(\text{yellow circle} | \text{red circles})}$$

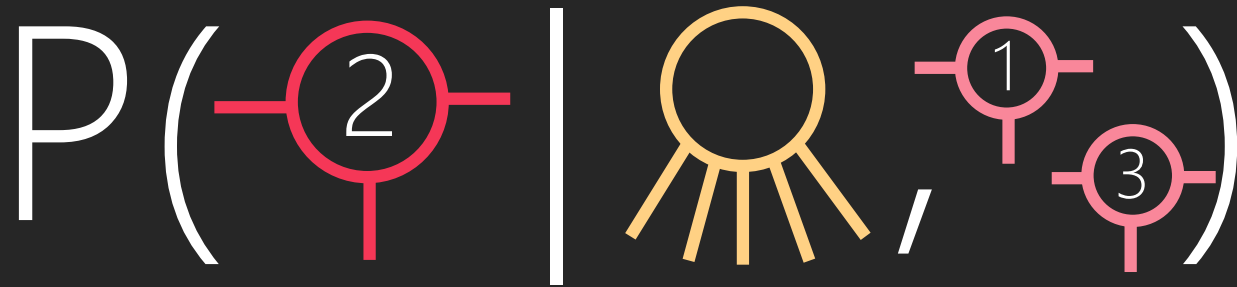
$$\mu_n^+ = \underbrace{\left[ (\Sigma_n^0)^{-1} + \frac{\mathbf{U}_{\setminus n}^\top \mathbf{U}_{\setminus n}}{\sigma^2} \right]^{-1}}_{\Sigma_n^+} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{U}_{\setminus n}^\top \mathbf{y}}{\sigma^2} + (\Sigma_n^0)^{-1} \mu_n^0 \right]$$

$$\Sigma_n^0 \rightarrow \infty: \mu_n^+ = \left( \mathbf{U}_{\setminus n}^\top \mathbf{U}_{\setminus n} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{U}_{\setminus n}^\top \mathbf{y}$$

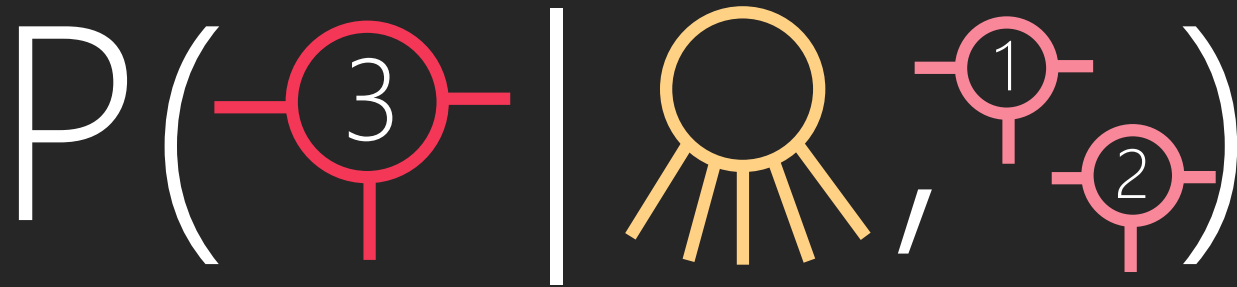
# | Alternating update

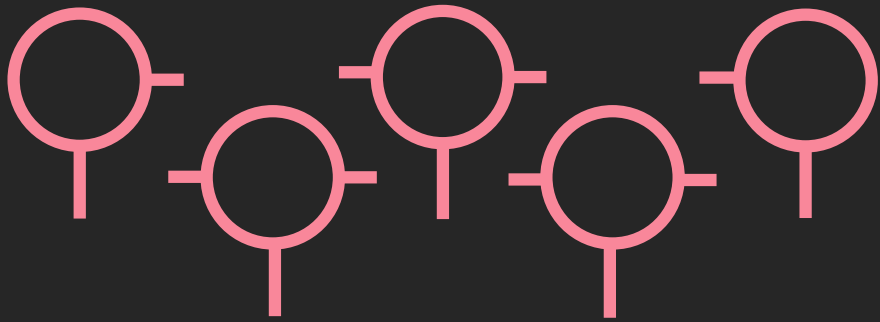


# | Alternating update



# | Alternating update



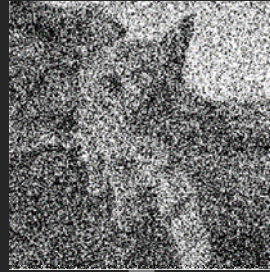


$$P(\mathbf{g}_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i^+, \Sigma_i^+)$$



$$P(\hat{\mathbf{y}}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\hat{\mathbf{y}}}, \Sigma_{\hat{\mathbf{y}}})$$

# | Recursive computation

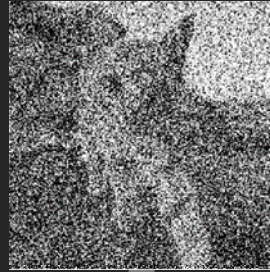


$$P(\mathbf{g}_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i^0, \Sigma_i^0)$$

Bayesian ALS

$$P(\mathbf{g}_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i^+, \Sigma_i^+)$$

# |Recursive computation



Initial guess for TD

ALS

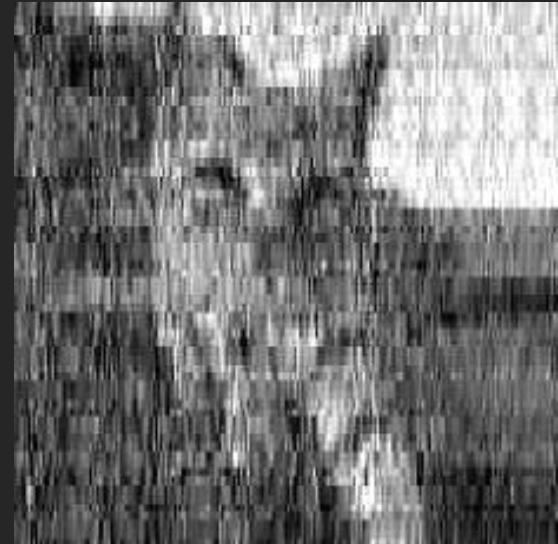
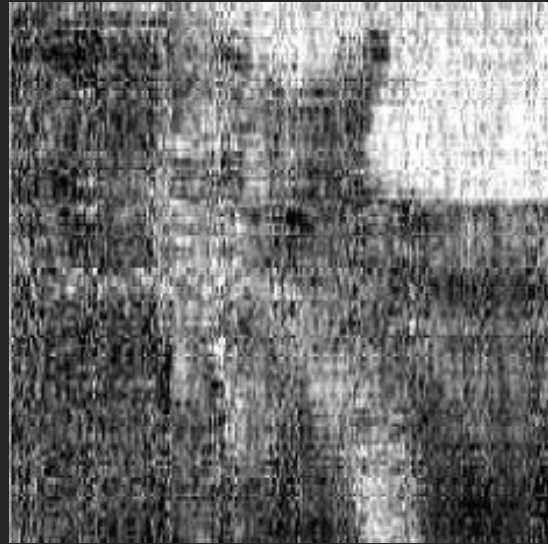
Resulting TD



1 noisy image

10 noisy images

ALS



Bayesian  
ALS



# Alternating linear scheme in a Bayesian framework for low-rank tensor approximation

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**Abstract.** Multiway data often naturally occurs in a tensorial format which can be approximately represented by a low-rank tensor decomposition. This is useful because complexity can be significantly reduced and the treatment of large-scale data sets can be facilitated. In this paper, we find a low-rank representation for a given tensor by solving a Bayesian inference problem. This is achieved by dividing the overall inference problem into sub-problems where we sequentially infer the posterior distribution of one tensor decomposition component at a time. This leads to a probabilistic interpretation of the well-known iterative algorithm alternating linear scheme (ALS). In this way, the consideration of measurement noise is enabled, as well as the incorporation of application-specific prior knowledge and the uncertainty quantification of the low-rank tensor estimate. To compute the low-rank tensor estimate from the posterior distributions of the tensor decomposition components, we present an algorithm that performs the unscented transform in tensor train format.

**Key words.** Low-rank approximation, alternating linear scheme, Bayesian inference, tensor decomposition, tensor train.



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