APPROXIMATION TO MULTIVARIATE FUNCTIONS IN



# THE EXTENDED FUNCTIONAL TENSOR TRAIN FORMAT Christoph Strössner, Bonan Sun and Daniel Kressner

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## **Functional tensor train (FTT) approximation**

A continuous version of TT format for  $f: [-1, 1]^d \to \mathbb{R}$ , i.e., FTT format:

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) \approx \sum_{\alpha_1=1}^{R_1} \dots, \sum_{\alpha_{d-1}=1}^{R_{d-1}} g_{1,\alpha_1}^{(1)}(x_1) g_{\alpha_1,\alpha_2}^{(2)}(x_2) \cdots g_{\alpha_{d-2},\alpha_{d-1}}^{(d-1)}(x_{d-1}) g_{\alpha_{d-1},1}^{(d)}(x_d).$$
(1)

**Goal**: Approximate f in FTT format (1) using as few function evaluations as possible.

#### **FTT via tensorized Chebyshev interpolation** + **TT**

## Novel EFTT approximation algorithm — Phase 2 & 3

- **Phase 2:** Construct  $\mathcal{C}$  implicitly, i.e., define a procedure to compute any entry of  $\mathcal{C}$ . • Best possible  $\mathcal{C}$  given  $U^{(\ell)}$  is by orthogonally projecting  $\mathcal{T}$  onto the span of  $U^{(\ell)}$ 's, i.e. multiplying  $\mathcal{T}$  with  $Q^{(\ell)}(Q^{(\ell)})^{\top}$  in each mode, where  $Q^{(\ell)}$  is the thin QR of  $U^{(\ell)}$ . • Main issue: requires full evaluation of  $\mathcal{T}$ , which is not feasible. • Our solution: use oblique projection  $Q^{(\ell)}(\Phi_{I_{\ell}}^{\top}Q^{(\ell)})^{-1}\Phi_{I_{\ell}}^{\top}$  for some sampling matrix  $\Phi_{I_{\ell}}$ , i.e.,  $\Phi_{I_{\ell}}^{\top}Q^{(\ell)} = Q^{(\ell)}(I_{\ell}, :).$  $\mathcal{T} \approx (\underbrace{\mathcal{T} \times_1 \Phi_{I_1}^\top \times_2 \cdots \times_d \Phi_{I_d}^\top}_{\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{T}(I_1, \cdots, I_d)}) \times_1 \underbrace{Q^{(1)}(\Phi_{I_1}^\top Q^{(1)})^{-1}}_{\text{updated } U^{(1)}} \times_2 \cdots \times_d \underbrace{Q^{(d)}(\Phi_{I_d}^\top Q^{(d)})^{-1}}_{\text{updated } U^{(d)}}$

Define the function evaluation tensor  $\mathcal{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times \cdots \times n_d}$  on the tensorized Chebyshev nodes:  $\mathcal{T}_{i_1,\dots,i_d} = f(x_{i_1}^{(1)},\dots,x_{i_d}^{(d)}), \ x_k^{(\ell)} = \cos(\pi k/(n_\ell - 1)), \ k = 1,\dots,n_\ell, \ \ell = 1,\dots,d.$ Then the Chebyshev interpolant  $\tilde{f}$  of f is given by

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) \approx \tilde{f}(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \sum_{i_1=1}^{n_1} \cdots \sum_{i_d=1}^{n_d} \mathcal{A}_{i_1, \dots, i_d} T_{i_1}(x_1) \cdots T_{i_d}(x_d)$$

where  $T_k(x)$  is the k-th Chebyshev polynomial and the coefficient tensor  $\mathcal{A}$  is given by  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{T} \times_1 F^{(1)} \times_2 F^{(2)} \times_3 \cdots \times_d F^{(d)} \text{ for some DCT matrices } F^{(\ell)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\ell \times n_\ell}.$ 

**Observation**:  $\mathcal{T} \approx \hat{\mathcal{T}}$  in TT format leads to  $\hat{f} \approx \hat{f}$  in FTT format:

$$\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{i_1,\dots,i_d} = \sum_{\alpha_1=1}^{R_1} \cdots \sum_{\alpha_{d-1}=1}^{R_{d-1}} \mathcal{G}_{1,i_1,\alpha_1}^{(1)} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_1,i_1,\alpha_2}^{(2)} \cdots \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_{d-2},i_{d-1},\alpha_{d-1}}^{(d-1)} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_{d-1},i_d,1}^{(d)}, \qquad (2)$$
$$\implies \hat{f} \text{ in FTT format (1) with } g_{\alpha_{\ell-1},\alpha_{\ell}}^{(\ell)}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\ell}} \sum_{k=1}^{n_{\ell}} F_{j,k}^{(\ell)} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_{\ell-1},k,\alpha_{\ell}}^{(\ell)} T_j(x).$$

**Updated Goal**: Approximate  $\mathcal{T}$  in TT format (2) by accessing as few entries as possible.

• Error introduced by the oblique projection depends on  $\|Q^{(\ell)}(I_{\ell},:)^{-1}\|_2$ , which can be minimized by selecting  $I_{\ell}$  carefully, e.g., using model order reduction methods like DEIM. • No evaluation of  $\mathcal{T}$  in Phase 2, just update  $U^{(\ell)}$  and define  $\mathcal{C}$  as a subtensor of  $\mathcal{T}$  implicitly.

**Phase 3:** Construct the TT format of  $\mathcal{C}$  by accessing as few entries of  $\mathcal{C}$  as possible. • We use the greedy2cross algorithm [2], requires  $\mathcal{O}(drR^2)$  function evaluations. • It is adaptive in TT rank  $R_{\ell}$ .



#### **Numerical results**

Oscillatory

Comparison of EFTT with directly applying greedy2cross to  $\mathcal{T}$  for Genz functions:

Oscillatory

**Extended (functional) tensor train format (EFTT)** 

**Novel idea**: Approximate  $\mathcal{T}$  in Tucker format first  $\mathcal{T} \approx \mathcal{C} \times_1 U^{(1)} \times_2 \cdots \times_d U^{(d)}$  and then approximate the Tucker core  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times \cdots \times r_d}$  in TT format with TT cores  $\mathcal{H}^{(\ell)} \in \mathbb{R}^{R_{\ell-1} \times r_\ell \times R_\ell}$ . In this case,  $\mathcal{T}$  is approximated in the extended TT format:

$$\mathcal{T}_{i_1,\dots,i_d} \approx \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{i_1,\dots,i_d} = \sum_{j_1=1}^{r_1} \cdots \sum_{j_d=1}^{r_d} \sum_{\alpha_1=1}^{R_1} \cdots \sum_{\alpha_{d-1}}^{R_{d-1}} \mathcal{H}^{(1)}_{1,j_1,\alpha_1} \cdots \mathcal{H}^{(d)}_{\alpha_{d-1},j_d,1} U^{(1)}_{i_1,j_1} \cdots U^{(d)}_{i_d,j_d}.$$
 (3)

**Reduce** space complexity  $\mathcal{O}(dnR^2)$  of TT to  $\mathcal{O}(drR^2 + dnr)$  especially when  $r \ll n$ .

**Updated Goal**: Approximate  $\mathcal{T}$  in ETT format (3) by accessing as few entries as possible.

## **Novel EFTT approximation algorithm — Phase 1**

**Phase 1:** Construct  $U^{(\ell)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{\ell} \times r_{\ell}}$  by accessing as few entries of  $\mathcal{T}$  as possible.

- $U^{(\ell)}$  should approximate the space spanned by the mode- $\ell$  fibers of  $\mathcal{T}$ .
- We propose the randomized pivoted adaptive cross approximation (RPACA) algorithm:

 $M \approx M(:, J)M(I, J)^{-1}M(I, :)$  for matrix M and index sets I, J.



• Applying RPACA to the mode- $\ell$  matricization  $\mathcal{T}^{\{\ell\}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{\ell} \times n_1 \cdots n_{\ell-1} n_{\ell+1} \cdots n_d}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$  yields  $\mathcal{T}^{\{\ell\}} \approx \mathcal{T}^{\{\ell\}}(:, J_{\ell}) (\mathcal{T}^{\{\ell\}}(I_{\ell}, J_{\ell}))^{-1} \mathcal{T}^{\{\ell\}}(I_{\ell}, :), \text{ let } U^{(\ell)} \text{ be } \mathcal{T}^{\{\ell\}}(:, J_{\ell}).$ 



Comparison of EFTT with continuous analog of TT-cross proposed in [3] (c3py) for functions tested in [3] with various application backgrounds:



Advantages: 1. Only requires evaluating  $\mathcal{O}(dr^3 + dsr^2 + dnr)$  entries of  $\mathcal{T}$ . 2. Adaptivity in Tucker rank  $r_{\ell}$ 's naturally (by choosing ACA tol  $\varepsilon$ ). 3. Adaptivity in polynomial degree  $n_{\ell}$ 's by leveraging Chebfun heuristics [1].

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	Function (dimension)	Algorithm	Error	# function evals	# dofs (storage)	$\max_{\ell} n_{\ell}$	$\max_{\ell} R_{\ell}$	$\max_{\ell} r_{\ell}$
	Piston $(7)$	EFTT	3.71e-09	174188	69019	33	23	11
		c3py	3.85e-05	251760	66080	35	24	
	Borehole $(8)$	EFTT	3.95e-02	6552	1116	32	2	4
		c3py	2.08e-03	14346	577	70	2	
	OTL Circuit $(6)$	EFTT	7.93e-11	6670	1083	27	5	5
		c3py	4.07e-08	15674	1782	28	5	
	Robot Arm $(8)$	EFTT	8.12e-02	499954	54760	94	12	27
		c3py	3.85e-01	2018017	228439	105	20	
	Wing Weight $(10)$	EFTT	2.83e-14	2867	560	24	2	2
		c3py	2.15e-13	12224	554	19	2	
	Friedman $(5)$	EFTT	2.16e-11	5238	404	19	3	4
		c3py	8.08e-05	12142	710	15	4	
	G & L (6)	EFTT	4.95e-06	1547	356	29	2	2
		c3py	3.51e-02	13928	374	105	2	
	G & P 8D (8)	EFTT	4.77e-11	19527	3902	24	6	7
		c3py	9.54e-10	27336	5136	21	7	
	D & P Exp $(3)$	EFTT	1.13e-14	2404	646	105	2	2
		c3py	4.78e-10	12162	336	49	2	