Compressed Bayesian Tensor Regression

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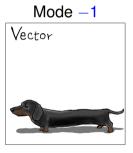
- Introduce a novel Bayesian tensor regression model where the residual variances evolve according to a stochastic volatility (SV) process.
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- Propose a tailored MCMC sampler for the high-dimensional tensor-SV model that improves mixing and convergence.
- Compare the performances of different competing SV models in predicting realized volatility on S&P 500.

Tensors ⇔ Multi-dimensional array

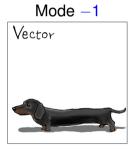
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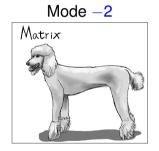




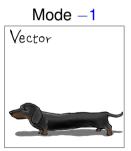


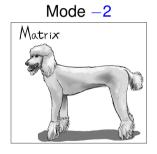


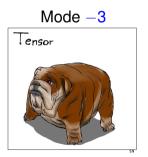




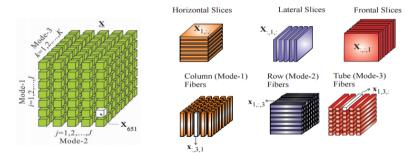








A real valued mode-D tensor is an array $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times ... \times d_D}$.



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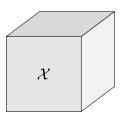
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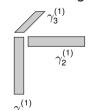
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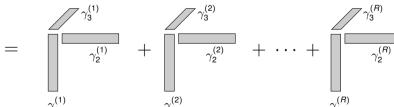
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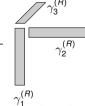
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Remark: multi-dimensional analogue of matrix low rank decomposition.









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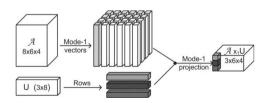


Figure: Visualization of 1 – mode product

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n-to-m mode product (contract product)

Let $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{J_1 \times ... \times J_N \times I_1 \times ... \times I_M}$ and $\mathcal{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times ... \times I_M \times K_1 \times ... \times K_P}$, the n-to-m mode product between \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} is denoted by $\mathcal{X} \times_{N+1:N+M} \mathcal{Y}$, and defined elementwise as

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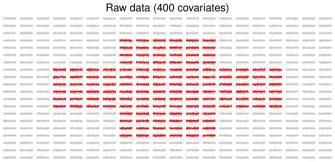
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How to project:

- Let $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_d)^{\top}$ be a column vector in d-dimensional Euclidean space.
- Select a k-dimensional subspace represented by $d \times k$ matrix R with $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and k < d.
- The projection will be

$$f(\boldsymbol{u}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} R^{\top} \boldsymbol{u} \tag{2}$$

The scaling factor $1/\sqrt{k}$ ensures $\mathbb{E}(\|f(\boldsymbol{u})\|) = \|\boldsymbol{u}\|$.

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Posterior consistency

- Bayesian non-parametric: Ghosal et al. (2000); Ghosal and Van Der Vaart (2001)
- Bayesian variable selection: Jiang (2007).
- RP: Guhaniyogi and Dunson (2015); Mukhopadhyay and Dunson (2020).

Applications

- High-dimensional classification: Chakraborty (2023); Li et al. (2021); Cannings and Samworth (2017).
- Nearest neighbor search: Indyk and Motwani (1998); Datar et al. (2004).
- Image data and face recognition: Bingham and Mannila (2001); Goel et al. (2005).
- Times series and VAR: Farahmand et al. (2017); Koop et al. (2019).
- Data privacy: Li and Li (2023); Gondara and Wang (2020); Anagnostopoulos et al. (2018).

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$$GTRP(\mathcal{X}_j) := \mathcal{X}_j \times_1 H_1 \times_2 \dots \times_R H_R \times_{R+1:N} \mathcal{H}_{R+1:N}, \tag{7}$$

where \times_n and $\times_{n:m}$ denote the *n*-mode and the *n*-to-*m* mode products, $H_m \in \mathbb{R}^{q_m \times p_m}$, $m = 1, \ldots, R$ and $\mathcal{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{q_{R+1} \times \ldots \times q_M \times p_{R+1} \times \ldots \times p_N \times}$ are random projection matrices and *M*-mode random projection tensor, respectively, with $R \leq M \leq N$.

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Concentration inequalities I

Corollary 1 (A JL inequality for tensor-wise random projection)

Let \mathbb{X} be an arbitrary set of n order N tensors in $\mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times ... \times p_N}$. Define $_{GTRP}(\mathcal{X}) = \mathcal{X} \times_{1:N} \mathcal{H}_{1:N}$ with $\mathcal{H}_{1:N}$ an N+1 order random tensor in $\mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times ... \times p_N \times q_1}$ with entries from the distribution in (5), and the multilinear mapping $f(\mathcal{X}) = \sqrt{c(N)} GTRP(\mathcal{X})$ from $\mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times ... \times p_N}$ to \mathbb{R}^{q_1} . Given $\epsilon, \beta > 0$, and a positive integer $q_1 \geq q_0$ where $q_0 = (4+2\beta)(\epsilon^2/2 - \epsilon^3/3)^{-1} \log n$, f satisfies with high probability and for all tensors $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} \in \mathbb{X}$:

$$(1 - \epsilon)\|\mathcal{U} - \mathcal{V}\|^2 \le \|f(\mathcal{U}) - f(\mathcal{V})\|^2 \le (1 + \epsilon)\|\mathcal{U} - \mathcal{V}\|^2$$

Proof.

Follows immediately from Achlioptas (2003).



Concentration inequalities II

Theorem 3 (JL inequality for mode-wise random projection)

Let $\mathbb X$ be an arbitrary set of n order N tensors in $\mathbb R^{p_1 \times \ldots \times p_N}$. Define $\operatorname{GTRP}(\mathcal X) = \mathcal X \times_1 H_1 \times_2 \ldots \times_N H_N$, where the entries of $H_m \in \mathbb R^{p_m \times q_m}$ for $m = 1, \ldots, N$ follows the distribution given in (5). Define the multilinear mapping $f(\mathcal X) = \sqrt{c(N)}\operatorname{GTRP}(\mathcal X)$ from $\mathbb R^{p_1 \times \ldots \times p_N}$ to $\mathbb R^{q_1 \times \ldots \times q_N}$. Given $\epsilon, \beta > 0$ and a sequence of positive integers $q_j \ j = 1, \ldots, N$ such that $q(N) \geq q_0$ with

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Special case: N=1

$$q_0 \approx (4+2\beta)(\epsilon^2/2 - \epsilon^3/3)^{-1} \log n$$

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At the second stage, we modify the priors from Guhaniyogi and Dunson (2015) and further assume the following prior distributions for the scales:

$$au \sim \mathcal{IG}(a_{\tau}, b_{\tau})$$
 (9)

$$w_{m,j_m}^{(d)} \sim \mathcal{E}xp((\lambda_m^{(d)})^2/2)$$
 (10)

$$\lambda_m^{(d)} \sim \mathcal{G}a(a_\lambda, b_\lambda)$$
 (11)

$$(\zeta^{(1)},\ldots,\zeta^{(D)})\sim \mathcal{D}ir(\alpha,\ldots,\alpha)$$
 (12)

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Infinite-dimensional and nonparametric

Contract rate of posterior convergence: The posterior is said to contract at rate $\varepsilon_n \to 0$ if $\pi_n(f: d(f,f_0) > M_n \varepsilon_n \mid D^{(n)}) \to 0$ in $P_0^{(n)}$ -almost surely, for every $M_n \to \infty$ as $n \to \infty$.

Ghosal et al. (2000) established sufficient conditions to show convergence of posterior measures.

High-dimensional with compressed data

- Jiang (2007) established sufficient conditions based on Ghosal et al. (2000) and shows tailored Bayesian variable selection priors lead to near parametric rates in estimating the predictive distribution $f(y \mid x)$.
- Guhaniyogi and Dunson (2015); Mukhopadhyay and Dunson (2020) show that Bayesian regression with compressed data also enjoys similar theoretical guarantees.

Contribution of our paper

- Extension of Guhaniyogi and Dunson (2015); Mukhopadhyay and Dunson (2020) to accommodate tensor-valued covariates.
- Study the consistency under different projection methods and different priors (PARAFAC).

Background: (Jiang, 2007, Theorem 4)

Sufficient conditions

- **Entropy condition**: $\log N(\varepsilon_n, \mathcal{P}_n) \leq n\varepsilon_n^2$ for all large n. Controls the complexity of the model space \mathcal{P}_n by bounding the covering number.
- **Tail mass condition:** $\pi(\mathcal{P}_n^c) \leq e^{-2n\varepsilon_n^2}$ for all large n. Ensures that the prior puts negligible mass outside the model space.
- **Prior concentration condition:** $\pi\left(f:d_t(f,f_0)<\frac{\varepsilon_n^2}{4}\right)\geq e^{-n\varepsilon_n^2/4}$ for all large n. Guarantees that the prior puts enough mass near the true density f_0 (KL neighborhood).

The predictive density is said to contract at rate $\varepsilon_n \to 0$ if $\pi_n(f: d(f, f_0) > M_n \varepsilon_n \mid D^{(n)}) \to 0$ in $P_0^{(n)}$ -almost surely, for every $M_n \to \infty$ as $n \to \infty$.

Bayesian inference: convergency results I

Theorem 4

Let $\mathcal{B} \sim \mathcal{TN}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma}_1, \dots, \mathbf{\Sigma}_N)$ a priori and $\widetilde{\lambda}_n$ and $\underline{\lambda}_n$ be the largest and smallest eigenvalues of $\mathbf{\Sigma}_1, \dots, \mathbf{\Sigma}_N$. Further assume all the covariates are bounded, meaning $|x_{jkl}| < 1$ and $\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=1}^{p_{1,n}} \sum_{k=1}^{p_{2,n}} \sum_{l=1}^{p_{3,n}} |b_{jkl,0}| < K$. Define $D(R) = 1 + R\sup_{|h| \le R} |a'(h)| \sup_{|h| \le R} |\frac{b'(h)}{a'(h)}|$, $\theta_n = \sqrt{q_n p_n}$. For a sequence ε_n satisfying $0 < \varepsilon_n^2 < 1$, $n\varepsilon_n^2 \to \infty$, assume the following to hold

$$(i) \ \ \tfrac{q_n \log(1/\epsilon_n^2)}{n\epsilon_n^2} \to 0, \quad \tfrac{\log(q_n)}{n\epsilon_n^2} \to 0, \quad \tfrac{q_n \log D(\theta_n \sqrt{8\bar{\lambda}_n n\epsilon_n^2})}{n\epsilon_n^2} \to 0$$

(ii)
$$\bar{\lambda}_n \leq Bq_n^{\nu}, \quad \underline{\lambda}_n \geq B_1 \left(\log(q_n)\right)^{-1}$$

$$(iii) \ \frac{\log(\|\mathit{GTRP}(\mathcal{X})\|)}{n\varepsilon_n^2} \to 0, \quad \|\mathit{GTRP}(\mathcal{X})\|^2 > 8 \frac{(K^2+1)}{B_1} \frac{\log(q_n)}{n\varepsilon_n^2}, \quad \forall \mathcal{X} = \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n$$

for some positive constants B, B₁, v, then

$$E_{f_0}\pi\left[d(f,f_0)>4\varepsilon_n\mid (y_i,\mathcal{X}_j)_{j=1}^n
ight]\leq 4e^{-n\varepsilon_n^2/2}$$

where $\pi[\cdot \mid (y_j, \mathcal{X}_j)_{j=1}^n]$ is the posterior measure.

Bayesian inference: convergency results II

Theorem 5

Let $\gamma_m^{(d)} \sim \mathcal{N}_{p_m}(\mathbf{0}, \tau \zeta^{(d)} W_m^{(d)})$ a priori, and further assume that all covariates are standardized and bounded, that is, $|x_{jkl}| < 1$ and $\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{j=1}^{p_{1,n}} \sum_{k=1}^{p_{2,n}} \sum_{l=1}^{p_{3,n}} |b_{jkl,0}| < K$. For a sequence ε_n satisfying $0 < \varepsilon_n^2 < 1$, $n\varepsilon_n^2 \to \infty$, assume that the following hold for some positive constant C

- (iv) $D(\log(\|\mathit{GTRP}(\mathcal{X}_i)\|) + \log D) \sum_{m=1}^{M} q_{m,n} < Mn\varepsilon_n^2 C$
- (v) $\varepsilon_n^2 = n^{\delta}$ with $b 1 < \delta < 0$ where $\sum_{m=1}^M q_{m,n} = \mathcal{O}(n^b)$

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Sketch of proof: Setup and Notation

- Tensor predictor: $\mathcal{X}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times \cdots \times p_D}$
- Compressed predictor: $GTRP(X_i)$
- Predictive density: $f(y \mid \langle \mathcal{B}, GTRP(\mathcal{X}_i) \rangle)$
- Hellinger distance: $d(f, f_0) = \iint (\sqrt{f} \sqrt{f_0}) \nu_y(dy) \nu_x(dx)$
- Prior: $\mathcal{B} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_1, \Sigma_2, \Sigma_3)$

Let \mathcal{P}_n be the class of predictive densities induced by $b_{jkl} \in [-b_n, b_n]$, where b_{jkl} is the (jkl)th entry of \mathcal{B} . Equivalently: $\mathcal{B} \in [-b_n, b_n]^{q_n}$ where $q_n = \prod_{d=1}^D q_{d,n}$.

Sketch of proof: Condition 1: Entropy Bound

We want:

$$\log N(\varepsilon_n, \mathcal{P}_n) \le n\varepsilon_n^2$$

Sketch:

- Cover $b_{jkl} \in [-b_n, b_n]$ with ℓ_2 -balls of radius δ_n
- Lipschitz continuity of GLM ensures:

$$d(f_{\mathcal{B}}, f_{\mathcal{C}}) \leq \|\mathcal{B} - \mathcal{C}\|_2$$

• Choose $\delta_n = \varepsilon_n$ so:

$$\log N(\varepsilon_n, \mathcal{P}_n) \leq q_n \log \left(\frac{b_n}{\varepsilon_n}\right)$$

Condition is satisfied if:

$$q_n \log \left(\frac{b_n}{\varepsilon_n}\right) \leq n\varepsilon_n^2$$

Sketch of proof: Condition 2: Prior Mass Outside Sieve

We want:

$$\pi(\mathcal{P}_n^c) \leq e^{-2n\varepsilon_n^2}$$

Sketch:

- $\bullet \ \mathcal{P}_n^c = \{\mathcal{B} : \exists jkl, |b_{jkl}| > b_n\}$
- Use Gaussian tail bound:

$$\pi(|b_{jkl}|>b_n)\leq e^{-b_n^2/(2 ilde{\lambda}_n)}$$

• Union bound over q_n dimensions:

$$\pi(\mathcal{P}_n^c) \leq q_n \cdot e^{-b_n^2/(2\tilde{\lambda}_n)}$$

• Choose $b_n = \sqrt{8\tilde{\lambda}_n n \varepsilon_n^2}$ to ensure exponential decay

Sketch of proof: Condition 3: Prior Concentration Near Truth

Goal: Show the prior puts enough mass near the true model f_0 by bounding

$$\pi\left(f:d(f,f_0)<\frac{1}{4}\varepsilon_n^2\right)\geq e^{-n\varepsilon_n^2/4}$$

Sketch:

- Let \mathcal{B}_0 be the true tensor coefficient and $\langle \mathcal{X}_i, \mathcal{B}_0 \rangle$ the true signal.
- We can show that for all large n: $P\left(|\langle \text{GTRP}(\mathcal{X}_i), \mathcal{B} \rangle \langle \mathcal{X}_i, \mathcal{B}_0 \rangle| < \frac{\varepsilon_n^2}{4\eta}\right) > \exp\left\{-\frac{n\varepsilon_n^2}{4}\right\}$.
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- $d_{t=1}(f,f_0) = \iint f_0\left(\frac{f_0}{f}-1\right)\nu_y(dy)\nu_{\mathcal{X}}(d\mathcal{X}) = E_{\mathcal{X}}\left[g(u^*)\left(\langle \text{GTRP}(\mathcal{X}_i),\mathcal{B}\rangle \langle \mathcal{X}_i,\mathcal{B}_0\rangle\right)\right].$
- Choosing $|g(u^*)| < \eta$ implies that $d_t(f, f_0)$ is a subset of S, hence confirming condition 3.



Bayesian inference: posterior approximation

The joint posterior distribution $f(\gamma_m^{(d)}, \zeta^{(d)}, \tau, \lambda_m^{(d)}, w_m^{(d)}, \sigma^2, \mu \mid \mathbf{y}, \text{GTRP}(\mathbf{X}))$ is not tractable, we approximated it using a Gibbs sampling procedure. The full conditional distributions of the Gibbs sampler are:

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- Draw $\gamma_m^{(d)}$ from a multivariate normal distribution (back-fitting) $f(\gamma_m^{(d)} \mid \mathbf{y}, \text{GTRP}(\mathbf{X}), \gamma_{-m}, \tau, \zeta, \mathbf{w}, \mu, \sigma^2)$ for $d \in \{1, \dots, D\}, m \in \{1, \dots, M\}$.
- ② Draw $\zeta^{(d)}$ from the GIG distribution $f(\zeta^{(d)} | \gamma^{(d)}, \tau, \boldsymbol{w}^{(d)})$.
- **3** Draw τ from the GIG distribution $f(\tau \mid \gamma, \zeta, \mathbf{w})$.
- Draw $\lambda_m^{(d)}$ from $f(\lambda_m^{(d)} \mid \gamma_m^{(d)}, \tau, \zeta^{(d)})$ which is a Gamma distribution.
- **5** Draw $w_{m,j_m}^{(d)}$ from the GIG distribution $f(w_{m,j_m}^{(d)} \mid \gamma_{m,j_m}^{(d)}, \lambda_m^{(d)}, \tau, \zeta^{(d)})$.
- **1** Draw σ^2 from the IG distribution $f(\sigma^2|\mathbf{y}, \text{GTRP}(\mathbf{X}), \mu, \gamma)$.
- **O** Draw μ from the Gaussian distribution $f(\mu \mid \mathbf{y}, GTRP(\mathbf{X}), \gamma, \sigma^2)$.

Simulation studies: Settings

TW MW baseline: 20×20

high-dim: 60×60

dimensionality

tnesor coefficients

tensor covariates training sample size compression rate sparsity number of RP number of experiments











$$x_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$$

 $n \in \{500, 1000, 1500, 2000\}$
 $c \in \{.09, .16, .25, .36\}$
 $\psi \in \{2, 3, 4\}$
 $L = 10$
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Simulation studies: results I

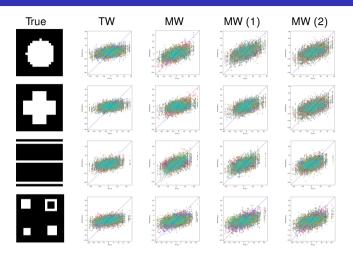


Figure: Simulation results: actual data against the predicted for different levels of sparsity (rows) and different types of random projections (columns), using 10 independent projection tensors (colours). For each plot: training sample size: n = 1000, compression rate: 0.36, $\psi = 3$.

Simulation studies: results II

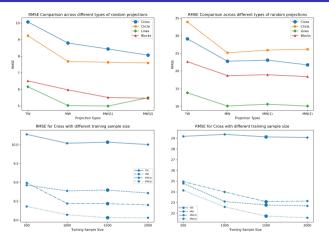


Figure: RMSE comparison across different types of random projection and different configurations in the baseline setting (top) and different sample sizes (bottom) in the 20×20 (left) and 60×60 dimension case (right). Each estimate is obtained BMA over L=10 independent projection matrices and 500 data points from the validation set.

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Simulation studies: results III

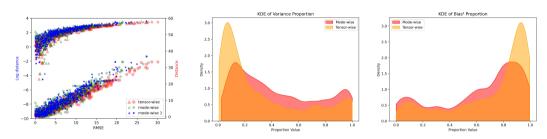


Figure: **Prediction errors**. Left: RMSE vs actual distance (circle, right axis) and log-distance (triangle, left axis) of 500 data points from their mean. Middle: MSE proportion of sample variance. Right: MSE proportion of bias.

Simulation studies: role of ψ

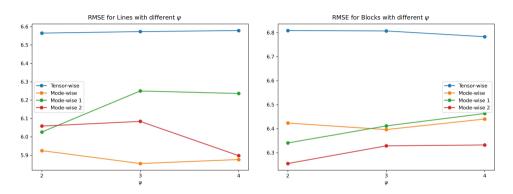


Figure: Effects of different ψ on prediction errors

Simulation studies: role of *n* and *c*

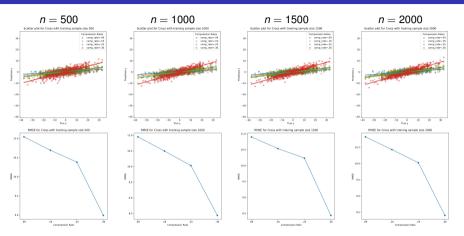


Figure: Comparison of prediction performance for different compression rates $r \in \{0.09, 0.16, 0.25, 0.36\}$ using different training sample size $n \in \{500, 1000, 1500, 2000\}$. Left column: scatter plots for out-of-sample predictions with regression lines for different compression rates. Right column: RMSE of predictions for different compression rates.

Empirical application: macro and financial indicators on stock return

Goals

- We contribute to the debate on the interdependence between financial and oil markets (see, e.g., Xiao and Wang, 2022; Xiao et al., 2023)
- We compare the performance of different models: BTR, CBTR with different types of random projections (with and without mode preserving).

Variables

- Oil price volatility is classified into Good Oil Volatility (GV), where the realized volatility is positive, and Bad Oil Volatility (BV), where the realized volatility is negative.
- Other covariates are the Exchange Rate Volatility (ER), TED Spread Volatility (IR) and VIX Index Volatility (VI), 3-month T-bill rate (TB) and bond spread (BD) following a similar specification as in Xiao and Wang (2022).

Empirical application

Specification

- Different from Xiao and Wang (2022), we consider a Mixed Data Sampling (Rodriguez and Puggioni, 2010).
- y_t is the montly log-return of market (S&P 500) at time t. Time span: May 1990 to January 2022.
- Covariates sampled daily at the 1st to 22nd day before month t: $t 1/22, t 2/22, \dots, t 22/22$.
- First mode: variables. Second mode: daily data points. Third mode: lagged values.

$$y_{t} = \mu + \sum_{i_{3}=1}^{4} \left\langle B_{\bar{I}(i_{3})}, \begin{pmatrix} \mathsf{GV}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{GV}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \cdots & \mathsf{GV}_{t-\frac{21}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{GV}_{t-i_{3}} \\ \mathsf{BV}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{BV}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \cdots & \mathsf{BV}_{t-\frac{21}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{BV}_{t-i_{3}} \\ \mathsf{ER}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{ER}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \cdots & \mathsf{ER}_{t-\frac{21}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{BV}_{t-i_{3}} \\ \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \cdots & \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{IR}_{t-i_{3}} \\ \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \cdots & \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{IR}_{t-i_{3}} \\ \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{2}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \cdots & \mathsf{IR}_{t-\frac{21}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{IR}_{t-i_{3}} \\ \mathsf{BD}_{t-\frac{1}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{BD}_{t-\frac{2}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \cdots & \mathsf{BD}_{t-\frac{21}{22}-i_{3}+1} & \mathsf{BD}_{t-i_{3}} \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle + \sigma \varepsilon_{t},$$

$$(13)$$

where $\tilde{I}(i_3) = \{(i_1, i_2, i_3), i_h \in \{1, \dots, p_h\}, \forall h \neq 3\}$ and $B_{\tilde{I}(i_3)}$ denotes the i_3 th slice of tensor coefficients B along the third mode.

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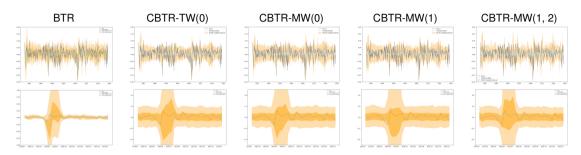


Figure: Fitting comparison between BTR and CBTR with different random projection methods. First row: in-sample fitting. Second row: out-of-sample prediction. True data are shown in gray solid line, predicted values are shown in blue solid line, light and dark orange colors represent 95% and 50% credible interval, respectively.

Empirical application

Table: RMSE of predictions of BTR and CBTR with different types of random projection methods.

	BTR	CBTR					
		TW	MW	MW(1)	MW(1, 2)	MW(1, 3)	MW(2, 3)
In-sample	0.0338	0.0355	0.0346	0.0356	0.0333	0.0323	0.0329
Out-of-sample	0.1148	0.0676	0.0623	0.0723	0.0383	0.0600	0.0508

Conclusion

Contributions

- A new random projection technique to compress tensor structured data.
- Strong theoretical results on concentration properties of random projection and convergency properties of Bayesian inference.
- Bayesian compressed tensor regression offers better out-of-sample performance with significant less of computational cost.

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