

Accelerating Jackknife Resampling for the Canonical Polyadic Decomposition

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Psarras C, Karlsson L, Bro R and Bientinesi P (2022) Accelerating Jackknife Resampling for the Canonical Polyadic Decomposition. Front. Appl. Math. Stat. 8:830270. doi: 10.3389/fams.2022.830270 The Canonical Polyadic (CP) tensor decomposition is frequently used as a model in applications in a variety of different fields. Using jackknife resampling to estimate parameter uncertainties is often desirable but results in an increase of the already high computational cost. Upon observation that the resampled tensors, though different, are nearly identical, we show that it is possible to extend the recently proposed Concurrent ALS (CALS) technique to a jackknife resampling scenario. This extension gives access to the computational efficiency advantage of CALS for the price of a modest increase (typically a few percent) in the number of floating point operations. Numerical experiments on both synthetic and real-world datasets demonstrate that the new workflow based on a CALS extension can be several times faster than a straightforward workflow where the jackknife submodels are processed individually.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The CP model is used increasingly across a large diversity of fields. One of the fields in which CP is commonly applied is chemistry [1, 2], where there is often a need for estimating not only the parameters of the model, but also the associated uncertainty of those parameters [3]. In fact, in some areas it is a dogma that an estimate without an uncertainty is not a result. A common approach for estimating uncertainties of the parameters of CP models is through resampling, such as bootstrapping or jackknifing [4, 5]. The latter has added benefits, e.g., for variable selection [6] and outlier detection [4]. Here we consider a new technique, JK-CALS, that increases the performance of jackknife resampling applied to CP by more efficiently utilizing the computer's memory hierarchy.

The basic concept of jackknife is somewhat related to cross-validation. Let $\mathcal{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ be a tensor, and $\mathbf{U}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{U}_N$ the factor matrices of a CP model. Let us also make the assumption (typical in many applications) that the first mode corresponds to independent samples, and all the other modes correspond to variables. For the most basic type of jackknifing, namely Leave-One-Out $(\text{LOO})^1$, one sample (out of I_1) is left out at a time (resulting in a tensor with only $I_1 - 1$ samples) and a model is fitted to the remaining data; we refer to that model as a *submodel*. All samples are left out exactly once, resulting in I_1 distinct submodels. Each submodel provides an estimate of the parameters of the overall model. For example, each submodel provides an estimate of the factor (or loading) matrix U_2 . From these I_1 estimates it is possible to calculate the variance (or bias) of the overall loading matrix (the one obtained from all samples). One complication comes from some indeterminacies with CP that need to be taken into account. For example, when one (or more) samples are removed from the initial tensor, the order of components in the submodel may change; this phenomenon is explained and a solution is proposed in Riu and Bro [4].

Recently, the authors proposed a technique, Concurrent ALS (CALS) [7], that can fit multiple CP models to the same underlying tensor more rapidly than regular ALS. CALS achieves better performance not by altering the numerics but by utilizing the computer's memory hierarchy more efficiently than regular ALS. However, the CALS technique cannot be directly applied to jackknife resampling, since the I₁ submodels are fitted to *different* tensors. In this paper, we extend the idea that underpins CALS to jackknife resampling. The new technique takes advantage of the fact that the I_1 resampled tensors are *nearly* identical. At the price of a modest increase in arithmetic operations, the technique allows for more efficient fitting of the CP submodels and thus improved overall performance of a jackknife workflow. In applications in which the number of components in the CP model is relatively low, the technique can significantly reduce the overall time to solution.

Contributions

- An efficient technique, JK-CALS, for performing jackknife resampling of CP models. The technique is based on an extension of CALS to *nearly* identical tensors. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first attempt at accelerating jackknife resampling of CP models.
- Numerical experiments demonstrate that JK-CALS can lead to performance gains in a jackknife resampling workflow.
- Theoretical analysis shows that the technique generalizes from leave-one-out to grouped jackknife with a modest (less than a factor of two) increase in arithmetic.
- A C++ library with support for GPU acceleration and a Matlab interface.

Organization

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we provide an overview of related research. In Section 3, we review the standard CP-ALS and CALS algorithms, as well as jackknife applied to CP. We describe the technique which enables us to use CALS to compute jackknife more efficiently in Section 4. In Section 5 we demonstrate the efficiency of our proposed

technique, by applying it to perform jackknife resampling to CP models that have been fitted to artificial and real tensors. Finally, in Section 6, we conclude the paper and provide insights for further research.

2. RELATED WORK

Two popular techniques for uncertainty estimation for CP models are bootstrap and jackknife [4, 5, 8]. The main difference is that jackknife resamples *without* replacement whereas bootstrap resamples *with* replacement. Bootstrap frequently involves more submodels than jackknife and is therefore more expensive. The term jackknife typically refers to leave-one-out jackknife, where only one observation is removed when resampling. More than one observation can be removed at a time, leading to the variations called delete-*d* jackknife [9] and grouped jackknife [10, p. 7] (also known as Delete-A-Group jackknife [11] or DAGJK). Of the two, grouped jackknife is most often used for CP model uncertainty estimation, primarily due to the significantly smaller number of samples generated. When applied to CP, jackknife has certain benefits over bootstrap, e.g., for variable selection [6] and outlier detection [4].

Jackknife requires fitting multiple submodels. A straightforward way of accelerating jackknife is to separately accelerate the fitting of each submodel, e.g., using a faster implementation. The simplest and most extensively used numerical method for fitting CP models is the Alternating Least Squares (CP-ALS) method. Alternative methods for fitting CP models include eigendecomposition-based methods [12] and gradient-based (all-at-once) optimization methods [13].

Several techniques have been proposed to accelerate CP-ALS. Line search [14] and extrapolation [15] aim to reduce the number of iterations until convergence. Randomization-based techniques have also been proposed. These target very large tensors, and either randomly sample the tensor [16] or the Khatri-Rao product [17], to reduce their size and, by extension, the overall amount of computation. Similarly, compressionbased techniques replace the target tensor with a compressed version, thus also reducing the amount of computation during fitting [18]. The CP model of the reduced tensor is inflated to correspond to a model of the original tensor.

Several projects offer high-performance implementations of CP-ALS, for example, Cyclops [19], PLANC [20], Partensor [21], SPLATT [22], and Genten [23]. For a more comprehensive list of software implementing some variant of CP-ALS, refer to Psarras et al. [24].

Similar to the present work, there have been attempts at accelerating jackknife although (to the best of our knowledge) not in the context of CP. In Buzas [25], the high computational cost of jackknife is tackled by using a numerical approximation that requires fewer operations at the price of lower accuracy. In Belotti and Peracchi [26], a general-purpose routine for fast jackknife estimation is presented. Some estimators (often linear ones) have leave-one-out formulas that allow for fast computation of the estimator after leaving one sample out. Jackknife is thus accelerated by computing the estimator on the full set and then

 $^{^1\}mathrm{Henceforth},$ when we mention jackknifing we imply LOO jackknifing, unless otherwise stated.

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systematically applying the leave-one-out formula. In Hinkle and Stromberg [27], a similar technique is studied. Jackknife computes an estimator on *s* distinct subsets of the *s* samples. Any two of these subsets differ by only one sample, i.e., any one subset can be obtained from any other by replacing one and only one element. Some estimators have a fast updating formula, which can rapidly transform an estimator for one subset to an estimator for another subset. Jackknife is thus accelerated by computing the estimator from scratch on the first subset and then repeatedly updating the estimator using this fast updating formula.

3. CP-ALS, CALS AND JACKKNIFE

In this section, we first specify the notation to be used throughout the paper, we then review the CP-ALS and CALS techniques, and finally we describe jackknife resampling applied to CP.

3.1. Notation

For vectors and matrices, we use bold lowercase and uppercase roman letters, respectively, e.g., v and U. For tensors, we follow the notation in Kolda and Bader [28]; specifically, we use bold calligraphic fonts, e.g., \mathcal{T} . The order (number of indices or modes) of a tensor is denoted by uppercase roman letters, e.g., N. For each mode $n \in \{1, 2, \ldots, N\}$, a tensor \mathcal{T} can be unfolded (matricized) into a matrix, denoted by $\mathbf{T}_{(n)}$, where the columns are the mode-n fibers of \mathcal{T} , i.e., the vectors obtained by fixing all indices except for mode n. Sets are denoted by calligraphic fonts, e.g., S. Given two matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} with the same number of columns, the Khatri-Rao product, denoted by $\mathbf{A} \odot \mathbf{B}$, is the column-wise Kronecker product of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} . Finally, the unary operator \oplus , when applied to a matrix, denotes the scalar which is the sum of all matrix elements.

3.2. CP-ALS

The standard alternating least-squares method for CP is shown in Algorithm 1 (CP-ALS). The input consists of a target tensor \mathcal{T} . The output consists of a CP model represented by a sequence of factor matrices U_1, \ldots, U_N . The algorithm repeatedly updates the factor matrices one by one in sequence until either of the following criteria are met: a) the fit of the model to the target tensor falls below a certain tolerance threshold, or b) a maximum number of iterations has been reached. To update a specific factor matrix \mathbf{U}_n , the gradient of the least-squares objective function with respect to that factor matrix is set to zero and the resulting linear least-squares problem is solved directly from the normal equations. This entails computing the Matricized Tensor Times Khatri-Rao Product (MTTKRP) (line 4), which is the product between the mode-n unfolding $T_{(n)}$ and the Khatri-Rao Product (KRP) of all factor matrices except \mathbf{U}_n . The MTTKRP is followed by the Hadamard product of the Gramians $(\mathbf{U}_i^T \mathbf{U}_i)$ of each factor matrix in line 5. Factor matrix \mathbf{U}_n is updated by solving the linear system in line 6. At the completion of an iteration, i.e., a full pass over all N modes, the error between the model and the target tensor is computed (line 8) using the efficient formula derived in Phan et al. [29].

Algorithm 1: CP-ALS: Alternating lea	st squares method
for CP decomposition.	

lor or decomposition.				
Input: $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 imes \cdots imes I_N}$ The target tensor				
$Output: U_1, \dots, U_N$ The fitted factor				
matrices				
1 Initialize the factor matrices $\mathbf{U}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{U}_N$				
2 repeat				
3 for $n = 1, 2,, N$ do				
$4 \qquad M_n \leftarrow \mathbf{T}_{(n)}(\odot_{i \neq n} \mathbf{U}_i) \qquad \text{MTTKRP}$				
5 $\mathbf{H}_n \leftarrow *_{i \neq n} (\mathbf{U}_i^T \mathbf{U}_i)$ Hadamard product of				
Gramians				
$6 \qquad \mathbf{U}_n \leftarrow \mathbf{M}_n \mathbf{H}_n^{\dagger} \qquad \mathbf{H}_n^{\dagger}: \text{ pseudoinverse of } \mathbf{H}_n$				
7 end				
8 $e \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\mathcal{T}} ^2 - (\oplus(\mathbf{H}_N * (\mathbf{U}_N^T \mathbf{U}_N))) - 2(\oplus(\mathbf{U}_N * \mathbf{M}_N))$				
Error calculation				
9 until convergence detected or maximum number of				
iterations reached				

Assuming a small number of components (*R*), the most expensive step is the MTTKRP (line 4). This step involves $2R \prod_i I_i$ FLOPs (ignoring, for the sake of simplicity, the lower order of FLOPs required for the computation of the KRP). The operation touches slightly more than $\prod_i I_i$ memory locations, resulting in an arithmetic intensity less than 2*R* FLOPs per memory reference. Thus, unless *R* is sufficiently large, the speed of the computation will be limited by the memory bandwidth rather than the speed of the processor. The CP-ALS algorithm is inherently memory-bound for small *R*, regardless of how it is implemented.

The impact on performance of the memory-bound nature of MTTKRP is demonstrated in **Figure 1**, which shows the computational efficiency of a particular implementation of MTTKRP as a function of the number of components (for a tensor of size $50 \times 200 \times 200$). Efficiency is defined as the ratio of the performance achieved by MTTKRP (in FLOPs/sec), relative to the Theoretical Peak Performance (TPP, see below) of the machine, i.e.,

$$\text{EFFICIENCY} = \frac{\text{PERFORMANCE}}{\text{TPP}} = \frac{\text{\#FLOPS/TIME}}{\text{TPP}}$$

The TPP of a machine is defined as the maximum number of (double precision) floating point operations the machine can perform in 1 s. **Table 1** shows the TPP for our particular machine (see Section 5 for details). In **Figure 1**, we see that the efficiency of MTTKRP tends to increase with the number of components, R, until eventually reaching a plateau. On this machine, the plateau is $R \ge 60$ at $\approx 70\%$ efficiency for one thread and $R \ge 300$ at $\approx 35\%$ efficiency for 24 threads. For $R \le 20$, which is common in applications, the efficiency is well below the TPP.

3.3. Concurrent ALS (CALS)

When fitting *multiple* CP models to the *same* underlying tensor, the Concurrent ALS (CALS) technique can improve the efficiency if the number of components is not large enough for CP-ALS to



TABLE 1 | Theoretical peak performance (TPP) for a particular machine.

System	TPP (GFlops/sec)	Threads	Frequency per core (Ghz)		
CPU	112	1	3.5		
	1,536	24	2		

Due to the decrease in the peak frequency per core when all 24 cores are used, the TPP for 24 cores is less than $24 \times$ the TPP for 1 core.

reach its performance plateau [7]. A need to fit multiple models to the same tensor arises, for example, when trying different initial guesses or when trying different numbers of components.

The gist of CALS can be summarized as follows (see Psarras et al. [7] for details). Suppose *K* independent instances of CP-ALS have to be executed on the same underlying tensor. Rather than running them sequentially or in parallel, run them in lock-step fashion as follows. Advance every CP-ALS process one iteration before proceeding to the next iteration. One CALS iteration entails *K* CP-ALS iterations (one iteration per model). Each CP-ALS iteration in turn contains one MTTKRP operation, so one CALS iteration also entails *K* MTTKRP operations. But these MTTKRPs all involve the same tensor and can therefore be fused into one bigger MTTKRP operation (see Equation 3 of Psarras et al. [7]). The performance of the fused MTTKRP depends on the sum total of components, i.e., $\sum_{i=1}^{K} R_i$, where R_i is the number of components in model *i*. Due to the performance profile of MTTKRP (see Figure 1), the fused MTTKRP is expected to be more efficient than each of the *K* smaller operations it replaces.

The following example illustrates the impact on efficiency of MTTKRP fusion. Given a target tensor of size $50 \times 200 \times 200$, K = 50 models to fit, and $R_i = 5$ components in each model, the

efficiency for each of the *K* MTTKRPs in CP-ALS is about 15% (3%) for 1 (24) threads (see **Figure 1**). The efficiency of the fused MTTKRP in CALS will be as observed for $R = \sum_{i=1}^{K} R_i = 250$, i.e., 60% (30%) for 1 (24) threads. Since the MTTKRP operation dominates the cost, CALS is expected to be $\approx 4 \times (\approx 10 \times)$ faster than CP-ALS for 1 (24) threads.

3.4. Jackknife

Algorithm 2 shows a baseline (inefficient) application of leaveone-out jackknife resampling to a CP model. For details, see Riu and Bro [4]. The inputs are a target tensor \mathcal{T} , an overall CP model P fitted to all of \mathcal{T} , and a sampled mode $\hat{n} \in \{1, 2, ..., N\}$. For each sample $p \in \{1, 2, ..., I_{\hat{n}}\}$, the algorithm removes the slice corresponding to the sample from tensor \mathcal{T} (line 3) and model P(line 4) and fits a reduced model P_{-p} (lines 4–6) to the reduced tensor $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ using regular CP-ALS. After fitting all submodels, the standard deviation of every factor matrix except $U_{\hat{n}}$ is computed from the $I_{\hat{n}}$ submodels in \mathcal{Q} (line 10). The only costly part of Algorithm 2 is the repeated calls to CP-ALS in line 5.

4. ACCELERATING JACKKNIFE BY USING CALS

The straightforward application of jackknife to CP in Algorithm 2 involves $I_{\hat{n}}$ independent calls to CP-ALS on *nearly* the same tensor. Since the tensors are not exactly the same, CALS [7] cannot be directly applied. In this section, we show how one can rewrite Algorithm 2 in such a way that CALS *can* be applied. There is an associated overhead due to extra computation, but we

Algorithm	2:	JK-ALS:	An	algorithm	that	performs
(LOO) jackknife resampling on a CP model.						

Input: $oldsymbol{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 imes \cdots imes I_N}$	The target tensor			
$P = \mathbf{U}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{U}_N$	A CP model fitted			
to ${oldsymbol{ au}}$				
ĥ	The sampled mode			
Output: S_1, \ldots, S_N	Uncertainty of each			
element of each fact	or matrix of P			
$1 \ \mathcal{Q} \leftarrow \emptyset$ Set containing fitt	ed jackknife models			
2 for $p \in \{1, 2,, I_{\hat{n}}\}$ do For ev	very index p in mode			
î				
3 $\mathcal{T}_{-p} \leftarrow$ remove the slice with i	ndex p in mode \hat{n} from			
tensor ${oldsymbol{ au}}$				
4 $P_{-p} \leftarrow$ remove row <i>p</i> from factor matrix $\mathbf{U}_{\hat{n}}$ of <i>P</i>				
5 $\hat{P}_{-p} \leftarrow cp_{als}(\mathcal{T}_{-p}, P_{-p})$				
6 $\hat{P}_{-p} \leftarrow$ permutation and scale adjustment of \hat{P}_{-p}				
7 $\mathcal{Q} \leftarrow \mathcal{Q} \cup \{\hat{P}_{-p}\}$				
8 end				
9 for $n \in \{1, 2, \ldots, N\} \setminus \{\hat{n}\}$ do	For every mode n			
except \hat{n}				
10 $S_n \leftarrow \text{standard deviation of factor matrix } \mathbf{U}_n \text{ in } \mathcal{Q}$				
11 end				

will show that the overhead is modest (less than a 100% increase and typically only a few percent increase).

4.1. JK-CALS: Jackknife Extension of CALS

Let \mathcal{T} be an *N*-mode tensor with a corresponding CP model $\mathbf{A}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{A}_N$. Let $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$ be identical to \mathcal{T} except for one sample (with index *p*) removed from the sampled mode $\hat{n} \in \{1, 2, \ldots, N\}$. Let $\hat{\mathbf{A}}_1, \ldots, \hat{\mathbf{A}}_N$ be the CP submodel corresponding to the resampled tensor \mathcal{T} .

When fitting a CP model to \mathcal{T} using CP-ALS, the MTTKRP for mode *n* is given by

$$\mathbf{M}_{n} \leftarrow \mathbf{T}_{(n)}(\mathbf{A}_{N} \odot \cdots \odot \mathbf{A}_{n+1} \odot \mathbf{A}_{n-1} \odot \cdots \odot \mathbf{A}_{1}).$$
(1)

Similarly, when fitting a model to \hat{T} , the MTTKRP for mode *n* is given by

$$\hat{\mathbf{M}}_{n} \leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{T}}_{(n)}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{N} \odot \cdots \odot \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{n+1} \odot \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{n-1} \odot \cdots \odot \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{1}).$$
(2)

Can $\hat{\mathbf{M}}_n$ be computed from $\mathbf{T}_{(n)}$ instead of $\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{(n)}$? As we will see, the answer is yes. We separate two cases: $n = \hat{n}$ and $n \neq \hat{n}$.

Case I: $n = \hat{n}$. The slice of \mathcal{T} removed when resampling corresponds to a *row* of the unfolding $\mathbf{T}_{(n)} = \mathbf{T}_{(\hat{n})}$. To see this, note that element $\mathcal{T}(i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_N)$ corresponds to element $\mathbf{T}_{(n)}(i_n, j)$ of its mode-*n* unfolding [28], where

$$j = 1 + \sum_{\substack{k=1\\k\neq n}}^{N} (i_k - 1) \prod_{\substack{m=1\\m\neq n}}^{k-1} I_m.$$
 (3)

Algorithm 3: JK-CALS: Concurrent alternating least squares method for jackknife estimation. Input: $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times \cdots \times I_N}$ The target tensor $P = \mathbf{U}_1, \dots, \mathbf{U}_N$ A CP model fitted to $oldsymbol{ au}$ The sampled mode **Output:** $\mathbf{U}_{1}^{(p)}, \dots, \mathbf{U}_{N}^{(p)}$ for $p = 1, 2, \dots, I_{\hat{n}}$ The fitted submodels 1 Initialize the submodels $\mathbf{U}_1^{(p)}, \ldots, \mathbf{U}_N^{(p)}$ for $p = 1, 2, \ldots, I_{\hat{n}}$ for n = 1, 2, ..., N do Initialize one factor multi-matrix for each mode 2 for $p = 1, 2, ..., I_{\hat{n}}$ do 3 if $n = \hat{n}$ then 4 $\overline{\mathbf{U}}_{n}^{(|p)} \leftarrow \mathbf{U}_{n}^{(p)}$ with a row of zeros inserted at 5 index p else 6 $\left| \overline{\mathbf{U}}_{n}^{(|p)} \leftarrow \mathbf{U}_{n}^{(p)} \right|$ 7 end 8 9 end 10 end 11 repeat Concurrently run $I_{\hat{n}}$ instances of CP-ALS for n = 1, 2, ..., N do 12 $\overline{\mathbf{M}}_n \leftarrow \mathbf{T}_{(n)}(\odot_{i \neq n} \overline{\mathbf{U}}_i)$ 13 for $p = 1, 2, ..., I_{\hat{n}}$ do 14 $\mathbf{H}_{n}^{(p)} \leftarrow *_{i \neq n} (\overline{\mathbf{U}}_{i}^{(|p)}{}^{T}\overline{\mathbf{U}}_{i}^{(|p)})$ 15 $\overline{\mathbf{U}}_{n}^{(|p)} \leftarrow \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{n}^{(|p)} \mathbf{H}_{n}^{(p)^{\dagger}}$ 16 if $n = \hat{n}$ then 17 $\overline{\mathbf{U}}_{n}^{(|p)} \leftarrow \text{zero out row } p \text{ of } \overline{\mathbf{U}}_{n}^{(|p)}$ 18 end 19 end 20 end 21 for $p = 1, 2, ..., I_{\hat{n}}$ do 22
$$\begin{split} e \leftarrow ||\boldsymbol{\mathcal{T}}_{-p}||^2 - (\oplus(\mathbf{H}_N^{(p)} * (\overline{\mathbf{U}}_N^{(|p)}^T \overline{\mathbf{U}}_N^{(|p)}))) - \\ 2(\oplus(\overline{\mathbf{U}}_N^{(|p)} * \overline{\mathbf{M}}_N^{(|p)})) & \text{Error calcu$$
23 Error calculation 24 end 25 until convergence detected for all instances or maximum number of iterations reached

When we remove sample p, then $\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{(n)}$ will be identical to $\mathbf{T}_{(n)}$ except that row p from the latter is missing in the former. In other words, $\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{(n)} = \mathbf{E}_p \mathbf{T}_{(n)}$, where \mathbf{E}_p is the matrix that removes row p. We can therefore compute $\hat{\mathbf{M}}_n$ by replacing $\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{(n)}$ with $\mathbf{T}_{(n)}$ in Equation (2) and then discarding row p from the result:

$$\hat{\mathbf{M}}_n \leftarrow \mathbf{E}_p(\mathbf{T}_{(n)}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}_N \odot \cdots \odot \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{n+1} \odot \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{n-1} \odot \cdots \odot \hat{\mathbf{A}}_1)).$$

Case II: $n \neq \hat{n}$. The slice of \mathcal{T} removed when resampling corresponds to a *set of columns* in the unfolding $\mathbf{T}_{(n)}$. One could in principle remove these columns to obtain $\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{(n)}$. But instead of explicitly removing sample p from \mathcal{T} , we can simply zero out the corresponding slice of \mathcal{T} . To give the CP model matching

dimensions, we need only insert a row of zeros at index *p* in factor matrix \hat{n} . Crucially, the zeroing out of slice *p* is superfluous. In the MTTKRP, the elements that should have been zeroed out will be multiplied with zeros in the Khatri-Rao product generated by the row of zeros insert in factor matrix \hat{n} . Thus, to compute $\hat{\mathbf{M}}_n$ in Equation (2) we (a) replace $\hat{\mathbf{T}}_{(n)}$ with $\mathbf{T}_{(n)}$ and (b) insert a row of zeros at index *p* in factor matrix $\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\hat{n}}$.

In summary, we have shown that it is possible to compute $\hat{\mathbf{M}}_n$ in Equation (2) without referencing the reduced tensor. There is an overhead associate with extra arithmetic. For the case $n = \hat{n}$, we compute numbers that are later discarded. For the case $n \neq \hat{n}$, we do some arithmetic with zeros.

4.1.1. The JK-CALS Algorithm

Based on the observations above, the CALS algorithm [7] can be modified to facilitate the concurrent fitting of all jackknife submodels. Algorithm 3 incorporates the necessary changes (colored red). The inputs are a target tensor \mathcal{T} , and the sampled mode \hat{n} . The algorithm starts by initializing $I_{\hat{n}}$ submodels P_{p} for $p = 1, 2, ..., I_{\hat{n}}$ in line 1; each submodel P_p is created by removing row *p* from factor matrix $\mathbf{U}_{\hat{n}}$ of model *P*. As described in Psarras et al. [7], CALS creates a multi-matrix n for each mode n by horizontally concatenating the factor matrices of each submodel P_p in lines 2–10; the superscript |p| denotes the position in *n* where the factor matrix $\mathbf{U}_n^{(p)}$ is copied. In the case of JK-CALS, instead of just copying each factor matrix into its corresponding multi-matrix, the algorithm first checks whether zero padding is required (lines 5–7). The loop in line 11 performs ALS for all submodels concurrently. Specifically, in line 13 the MTTKRP (n) is computed for all models at the same time by using the multi-matrices *i*. Then, lines 15 and 16 are the same as lines 5 and 6 of Algorithm 1; each submodel is treated separately by reading its corresponding values within n and n (indicated by the superscript $|p\rangle$. In JK-CALS, when $n = \hat{n}$, the padded row is reset to 0 after $\overline{\mathbf{U}}_n^{(|p|)}$ is updated (line 18). Finally, after a full ALS cycle has completed, the error of each model is calculated in line 23. In JK-CALS, the error formula is adjusted for each submodel by considering the L2 norm of its corresponding subtensor \mathcal{T}_{-p} .

We remark that JK-CALS can be straightforwardly extended to grouped jackknife [10, p. 7], in which the samples are split into groups of *d* elements ($I_{\hat{n}}/d$ groups) and jackknife submodels are created by removing an entire group at a time. Instead of padding and periodically zeroing out one row, we pad and periodically zero out *d* rows.

4.2. Performance Considerations

While Algorithm 3 benefits from improved MTTKRP efficiency, the padding results in extra arithmetic operations. Let *d* denote the number of removed samples (d = 1 corresponds to leave-one-out). For the sake of simplicity, assume that the integer *d* divides $I_{\hat{n}}$. In grouped jackknife there are $I_{\hat{n}}/d$ submodels, each with *R* components. The only costly part is the MTTKRP.

The MTTKRPs in JK-ALS (for all submodels combined) requires

$$\left(\frac{I_{\hat{n}}}{d}\right) \left(2R(I_{\hat{n}}-d)\prod_{\substack{i=1\\i\neq\hat{n}}}^{N}I_{i}\right)$$

FLOPs. Meanwhile, the fused MTTKRP in JK-CALS requires

$$2\left(\frac{I_{\hat{n}}}{d}R\right)\prod_{i=1}^{N}I_{i}$$

FLOPs. The ratio of the latter to the former comes down to

$$\frac{I_{\hat{n}}}{I_{\hat{n}}-d} \le 2,$$

since $d \leq I_{\hat{n}}/2$ in grouped jackknife. Thus, in the worst case, JK-CALS requires less than twice the FLOPs of JK-ALS. More typically, the overhead is negligible.

5. EXPERIMENTS

We investigate the performance benefits of the JK-CALS algorithm to perform jackknife resampling on a CP model through two sets of experiments. In the first set of experiments, we focus on the scalability of the algorithm, with respect to both problem size and number of processor cores. For this purpose, we use synthetic datasets of increasing volume, mimicking the shape of real datasets. In the second set of experiments, we illustrate JK-CALS's practical impact by using it to perform jackknife resampling on two tensors arising in actual applications.

All experiments were conducted using a Linux-based system with an Intel[®] Xeon[®] Platinum 8160 Processor (Turbo Boost enabled, Hyper-Threading disabled), which contains 24 physical cores split in 2 NUMA regions of 12 cores each. The system also contains an Nvidia Tesla V100 GPU². The experiments were conducted with double precision arithmetic and we report results for 1 thread, 24 threads (two NUMA regions), and the GPU (with 24 CPU threads). The source code (available online³) was compiled using GCC⁴ and linked to the Intel[®] Math Kernel Library⁵.

5.1. Scalability Analysis

In this first experiment, we use three synthetic tensors of size $50 \times m \times m$ with $m \in \{100, 200, 400\}$, referred to as "small", "medium" and "large" tensors, respectively. The samples are in the first mode. The other modes contain variables. The number of samples is kept low, since leave-one-out jackknife is usually performed on a small number of samples (usually < 100), while there can be arbitrarily many variables.

²Driver version: 470.57.02, CUDA Version: 11.2.

³https://github.com/HPAC/CP-CALS/tree/jackknife

⁴GCC version 9.

⁵MKL version 19.0.



For each tensor, we perform jackknife on four models with varying number of components ($R \in \{3, 5, 7, 9\}$). This range of component counts is typical in applications. In practice, it is often the case that multiple models are fitted to the target tensor, and many of those models are then further analyzed using jackknife. For this reason, we perform jackknife on each model individually, as well as to all models simultaneously (denoted by "All" in the figures), to better simulate multiple real-world application scenarios. In this experiment, the termination criteria based on maximum number of iterations and tolerance are ignored; instead, all models are forced to go through exactly 100 iterations, typically a small number of iterations for small values of tolerance (i.e., most models require more than 100 iterations). The reason for this

choice is that we aim to isolate the performance difference of the methods tested; therefore, we maintain a consistent amount of workload throughout the experiment. (Tolerance and maximum number of iterations are instead used later on in the application experiments.)

For comparison, we perform jackknife using three methods: JK-ALS, JK-OALS and JK-CALS. JK-OALS uses OpenMP to take advantage of the inherent parallelism when fitting multiple submodels by parallelizing the loop in line 2 of Algorithm 2. Each thread maintains its own subsample \mathcal{T}_{-p} and P_{-p} of tensor \mathcal{T} and model *P*, respectively. This method is only used for multi-threaded and GPU experiments, and we are only going to focus on its performance, ignoring the memory overhead associated with it.



Figure 2 shows results for single threaded execution; in this case, JK-OALS is absent. JK-CALS consistently outperforms JK-ALS for all tensor sizes and workloads. Specifically, for any fixed amount of workload—i.e., a model of a specific number of components—JK-CALS exhibits increasing speedups compared to JK-ALS, as the tensor size increases. For example, for a model with 5 components, JK-CALS is 2.9, 3, 5.2 times faster than JK-ALS, for the small, medium and large tensor sizes, respectively.

Figure 3 shows results for multi-threaded execution, using 24 threads. In this case, JK-CALS outperforms the other two implementations (JK-ALS and JK-OALS) for the medium and large tensors, for all workloads (number of components),

exhibiting speedups up to $35 \times$ and $8 \times$ compared to JK-ALS and JK-OALS, respectively. For the small tensor ($50 \times 100 \times 100$) and small workloads ($R \le 7$), JK-CALS is outperformed by JK-OALS; for R = 3, it is also outperformed by JK-ALS. Investigating this further, for the small tensor and R = 3 and 5, the parallel speedup (the ratio between single threaded and multi-threaded execution time) of JK-CALS is $0.3 \times$ and $0.7 \times$ for 24 threads. However, for 12 threads, the corresponding timings are 0.28 and 0.27 s, resulting in speedups of $2.7 \times$ and $3.7 \times$, respectively. This points to two main reasons for the observed performance of JK-CALS in these cases: a) the amount of available computational resources (24 threads) is disproportionately high compared to the volume



of computation to be performed and b) because of the small amount of overall computation, the small overhead associated with the CALS methodology becomes more significant.

That being said, even for the small tensor, as the amount of workload increases—already for a single model with 9 components—JK-CALS again becomes the fastest method. Finally, similarly to the single threaded case, as the size of the tensor increases, so do the speedups achieved by JK-CALS over the other two methods.

Figure 4 shows results when the GPU is used to perform MTTKRP for all three methods; in this case, all 24 threads are used on the CPU. For the small tensor and small workloads ($R \le 5$), there is not enough computation to warrant the shipping of data to and from the GPU, resulting in higher execution

times compared to multi-threaded execution; for all other cases, all methods have reduced execution time when using the GPU compared to the execution on 24 threads. Furthermore, in those cases, JK-CALS is consistently faster than its counterparts, exhibiting the largest speedups when the workload is at its highest ("All"), with values of $10 \times$, $7 \times$, $7 \times$ compared to JK-OALS, and $12 \times$, $10 \times$, $9 \times$ compared to JK-ALS, for the small, medium and large tensors, respectively.

5.2. Real-World Applications

In this second experiment, we selected two tensors of size 89 × 97 × 549 and 44 × 2700 × 200 from the field of Chemometrics [30, 31]. In this field it is common to fit multiple, randomly initialized models in a range of low components (e.g., $R \in \{1, 2, ..., 20\}$,



10–20 models for each *R*, and then analyze (e.g., using jackknife) those models that might be of particular interest (often those with components close to the expected rank of the target tensor); in the tensors we consider, the expected rank is 5 and 20, respectively. To mimic the typical workflow of practitioners, we fitted three models to each tensor, of components *R* ∈ {4, 5, 6} and *R* ∈ {19, 20, 21}, respectively, and used the three methods (JK-ALS, JK-OALS and JK-CALS) to apply jackknife resampling to the fitted models⁶. The values for tolerance and maximum number of iterations were set according to typical values for the particular field, namely 10⁻⁶ and 1,000, respectively.

In **Figure 5** we report the execution time for 1 thread, 24 threads, and GPU + 24 threads. For both datasets and for all configurations, JK-CALS is faster than the other two methods. Specifically, when compared to JK-ALS over the two tensors, JK-CALS achieves speedups of $5.4 \times$ and $2 \times$ for single threaded execution, $10 \times$ and $2.8 \times$ for 24-threaded execution. Similarly, when compared to JK-OALS, JK-CALS achieves speedups of $2.7 \times$ and $4.8 \times$ for 24-threaded execution. Finally, JK-CALS takes advantage of the GPU the most, exhibiting speedups of $17.5 \times$ and $3.7 \times$ over JK-ALS, and $9 \times$ and $2 \times$ over JK-OALS, for GPU execution.

6. CONCLUSION

Jackknife resampling of CP models is useful for estimating uncertainties, but the computation requires fitting multiple submodels and is therefore computationally expensive. We presented a new technique for implementing jackknife that better utilizes the computer's memory hierarchy. The technique is based on a novel extension of the Concurrent ALS (CALS) algorithm for fitting multiple CP models to the same underlying tensor, first introduced in Psarras et al. [7]. The new technique has a modest arithmetic overhead that is bounded above by factor of two in the worst case. Numerical experiments on both synthetic and real-world datasets using a multicore processor paired with a GPU demonstrated that the proposed algorithm can be several times faster than a straightforward implementation of jackknife resampling based on multiple calls to a regular CP-ALS implementation.

Future work includes extending the software to support grouped jackknife.

DATA AVAILABILITY STATEMENT

Publicly available datasets were analyzed in this study. This data can be found here: https://github.com/HPAC/CP-CALS/tree/jackknife.

 $^{^6{\}rm The}$ same models were given as input to the three methods, and thus require the same number of iterations to converge.

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