Dynamic Tensor Product Regression

Abstract

In this work, we initiate the study of *Dynamic Tensor Product Regression*. One has matrices $A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$ and a label vector $b \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \cdots n_q}$, and the goal is to solve the regression problem with the design matrix A being the tensor product of the matrices $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_q$ i.e. $\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \cdots d_q}} \|(A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q)x - b\|_2$. At each time step, one matrix A_i receives a sparse change, and the goal is to maintain a sketch of the tensor product $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$ so that the regression solution can be updated quickly. Recomputing the solution from scratch for each round is extremely expensive so it is important to develop algorithms which can quickly update the solution with the new design matrix. Our main result is a dynamic tree data structure where any update to a single matrix can be propagated quickly throughout the tree. We show that our data structure can be used to solve dynamic versions of not only Tensor Product Regression, but also Tensor Product Spline regression (which is a generalization of ridge regression) and for maintaining Low Rank Approximations for the tensor product.

1 Introduction

The task of fitting data points to a line is well-known as the least-squares regression problem [Sti81], which has a wide range of applications in signal processing [RGlY78], convex optimization [Bub15], network routing [Mad13, Mad16], and training neural networks [BPSW21, SZZ21]. In this work, we study a generalized version of least-squares regression where the design matrix A is a tensor product of q smaller matrices $A_1 \otimes A_2 \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$.

Tensor products have been extensively studied in mathematics and the physical sciences since their introduction more than a century ago by Whitehead and Russell in their Principia Mathematica [WR12]. They have been shown to have a humongous number of applications in several areas of mathematics like applied linear algebra and statistics [VL00]. In particular, machine learning applications include image processing [NK06], multivariate data fitting [GVL13], and natural language processing [PSA21]. Furthermore, regression problems involving tensor products arise in surface fitting and multidimensional density smoothing [EM06], and structured blind deconvolution problems [OY05], among several other applications, as discussed in [DSSW18, DJS$^+$19].

The state-of-the-art algorithm for solving tensor product regression in ℓ_2 norm [DJS$^+$19] to a $(1 \pm \varepsilon)$ precision takes time $\widetilde{O}(\sum_{i=1}^q \mathrm{nnz}(A_i) + \mathrm{poly}(dq/(\delta\varepsilon)))$, where each matrix $A_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$ and $d = d_1 d_2 \ldots d_q$, and $\mathrm{nnz}(A)$ denotes the number of nonzero entries of A. However, this algorithm is inherently *static*, meaning that even if there is a sparse (or low-rank) update to a *single* design matrix A_i, it needs to completely recompute the new solution from scratch. In modern machine learning applications, such static algorithms are not practical due to the fact that data points are always evolving and recomputing the solution from scratch every time is computationally too expensive. Hence, it is important to develop efficient *dynamic algorithms* that can adaptively update the solution. For example, graphs for real-world network data are modeled as the tensor product of a

large number of smaller graphs [LCK+10]. Many important problems on these graphs can be solved by regression of the adjacency and Laplacian matrices of these graphs [ST04]. Real-world network data is always time-evolving and so it is crucial to develop dynamic algorithms for solving regression problems where the design matrix is a tensor product of a large number of smaller matrices. Hence, we ask the following question:

Can we design a dynamic data structure for tensor product regression that can handle updates to the design matrix and quickly updates the solution?

We provide a positive answer to the above question.

At the heart of our data structure is a binary tree that can maintain a succinct sketch of $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$ and supports an update to one of the matrices quickly. Such tree structures have been useful in designing efficient sketching algorithms for tensor products of vectors [AKK+20, SWYZ21]. However, the goal of these works has been in reducing the sketching dimension from exponential dependence on q to polynomial dependence on q. Their results can be directly generalized to solving tensor product regression *statically* but not dynamically. In this work, we build upon the tree structure to solve the Dynamic Tensor Product Regression problem and other related dynamic problems like Dynamic Tensor Spline Regression and Dynamic Tensor Low Rank Approximation. Our key observation is that updating the entire tree is efficient when a single leaf of the tree gets an update: specifically, we only need to update the nodes which fall on the path from the leaf to the root.

Technical Contributions.

- We design a dynamic tree data structure DYNAMICTENSORTREE that maintains a succinct representation of the tensor product $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$ and supports efficient updates to any of the A_i's.

- Consequently, we develop a dynamic algorithm for solving Tensor Product Regression, when one of the matrices A_i's is updated and we need to output an estimate of the new solution to the regression problem quickly.

- We also show that we can use our DYNAMICTENSORTREE data-structure in a fast dynamic algorithm to solve the Tensor Product Spline Regression problem, which is a generalization of the classic Ridge Regression problem.

- We also initiate the study of *Dynamic Tensor Low Rank Approximation*, where the goal is to maintain a low rank approximation (LRA) of the tensor product with dynamic updates, and show how we can use our DYNAMICTENSORTREE data structure to solve this problem.

Roadmap. In section 2, we first discuss some related work. Then, we provide notation, some background for our work, and the main problem formulation in section 3. In section 4, we provide a technical overview of our paper. Following that, we provide our dynamic tree data structure in section 5. We then show how it can be used for Dynamic Tensor Product Regression in section 6, Dynamic Tensor Spline Regression in section 7, and Dynamic Tensor Low Rank Approximation in section 8. We end with our conclusion and discuss some future directions in section 9.

2   Related Work

Sketching. Sketching has many applications in numerical linear algebra, such as linear regression, low-rank approximation [CW13, NN13, MM13, BW14, RSW16, SWZ17, HLW17, ALS+18, BBB+19, IVWW19, SWZ19a, SWZ19b, MW21, WY22, CSTZ22], distributed problems [WZ16, BWZ16], reinforcement learning [WZD+20, SSX21], projected gradient descent [XSS21], training over-parameterized neural network [SYZ21, SZZ21], tensor decomposition [SWZ19c], clustering [EMZ21], cutting plane method [JLSW20], generative adversarial networks [XZZ18] and linear programming [LSZ19, JSWZ21, SY21].

Dynamic Least-squares Regression. A dynamic version of the ordinary least-squares regression problem (without a tensor product design matrix) was very recently studied in [JPW22]. In their model, at each iteration, a new row is prepended to the design matrix A and a new coordinate is prepended to the vector b. To efficiently maintain the necessary parts of the design matrix and

the solution, they make use of a fast leverage score maintenance data structure by [CMP20] and achieve a running time of $\widetilde{O}(\mathrm{nnz}(A^{(T)}) + \mathrm{poly}(d, \varepsilon^{-1}))$ where T is the number of time steps. There are several major differences in our works. First is that our model is more general than their model – we allow *updates* which can also model insertions (by maintaining zero entries at the beginning) and deletions (by providing an update which is the negative value of the corresponding data) whereas they only allow insertions. Second is that they do not consider tensor product inputs and so computing the entire tensor product first and then applying their algorithm as-is becomes prohibitively expensive. We note that naively forming the tensor product $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$ already takes $O(\prod_{i=1}^{q} n_i d_i)$ time, while the input size is only $O(\sum_{i=1}^{q} n_i d_i)$ which is much smaller than $O(\prod_{i=1}^{q} n_i d_i)$. Third is that we also consider the problems of spline regression and maintaining low-rank approximations.

Tensor/Kronecker Product Problems. Many machine learning problems involve tensor/Kronecker product computations such as, regression [HLW17, DSSW18, DJS$^+$19], low-rank approximation [SWZ19c], fast kernel computation [SWYZ21], semi-definite programming [JKL$^+$20, HJS$^+$21], and training over-parameterized neural networks [BPSW21, SZZ21]. Apart from solving problems which directly involve tensor/Kronecker products, another line of research focuses on constructing polynomial kernels efficiently so that the computation of various kernel problems can be improved [AKK$^+$20, SWYZ21].

3 Preliminaries

In sub-section 3.1, we first define some of the notation we will use throughout rest of the paper. Then in sub-section 3.2, we provide some sketching background. We end this section with our main problem formulation in sub-section 3.3.

3.1 Notation

For any natural number n, we use $[n]$ to denote the set $\{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$. We use $\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$ to denote expectation of a random variable if it exists. We use $\mathbf{1}[\cdot]$ and $\Pr[\cdot]$ to denote the indicator function and probability of an event respectively. For any natural numbers a, b, c, we use $\mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{mat}}(a, b, c)$ to denote the time it takes to multiply two matrices of sizes $a \times b$ and $b \times c$. For a vector x, we use $\|x\|_2$ to denote its ℓ_2 norm. For a matrix A, we use $\|A\|_F$ to denote its Frobenius norm. For a matrix A, we use $A^\top$ to denote the transpose of A. Given two matrices $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times d_2}$, we use $A \otimes B$ to denote their tensor product (which is also referred to as Kronecker product), i.e., $(A \otimes B)_{i_1 + (i_2-1) \cdot n_1, j_1 + (j_2-1) \cdot d_1} = A_{i_1, j_1} \cdot B_{i_2, j_2}$. For example, for 2×2 matrices A and B,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} & a_{11}b_{12} & a_{12}b_{11} & a_{12}b_{12} \\ a_{11}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{22} & a_{12}b_{21} & a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} & a_{21}b_{12} & a_{22}b_{11} & a_{22}b_{12} \\ a_{21}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{22} & a_{22}b_{21} & a_{22}b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

We use $\bigotimes$ to denote tensor product of more than two matrices, i.e., $\bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i = A_1 \otimes A_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes A_q$. For non-negative real numbers a and b, we use $a = (1 \pm \varepsilon)b$ to denote $(1 - \varepsilon) \cdot b \leq a \leq (1 + \varepsilon) \cdot b$. For a real matrix A, we use $\sigma_i(A)$ to denote its i-th largest singular value. For any function f, we use $\widetilde{O}(f)$ to denote $O(f \mathrm{poly}(\log f))$.

3.2 Background

We begin with the definitions of *Statistical Dimension*, *Oblivious Subspace Embeddings* (OSE), and the so-called *Approximate Matrix Product* property.

Definition 3.1 (Statistical Dimension)**.** For any $\lambda \geq 0$ and any positive semidefinite matrix $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the λ-statistical dimension of M is

$$\mathrm{sd}_\lambda(M) := \mathrm{tr}(M(M + \lambda I_n)^{-1})$$

Definition 3.2 (Oblivious Subspace Embedding [Sar06])**.** Let $\varepsilon, \delta \in (0, 1), \mu > 0$, and $d, n \geq 1$ be integers. An $(\varepsilon, \delta, \mu, d, n)$-Oblivious Subspace Embedding (OSE) is a distribution over $m \times d$

matrices with the guarantee that for any fixed matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$ with $\mathtt{sd}_\lambda(A^\top A) \leq \mu$, we have for any vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with probability at least $1 - \delta$,

$$\|\Pi A x\|_2 + \lambda \|x\|_2 = (1 \pm \varepsilon)(\|Ax\|_2 + \lambda \|x\|_2).$$

Definition 3.3 (Approximate Matrix Product). Given $\varepsilon, \delta > 0$, we say that a distribution $\mathcal{D}$ over $m \times d$ matrices Π has the (ε, δ)-approximate matrix product property if for every $C, D \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$, with probability at least $1 - \delta$,

$$\|C^\top \Pi^\top \Pi D - C^\top D\|_F \leq \varepsilon \|C\|_F \|D\|_F.$$

Next, we introduce COUNTSKETCH and TENSORSKETCH, which are important sketching matrices we will be using across our paper.

Definition 3.4 (COUNTSKETCH matrix [CCFC02]). Let $h : [n] \to [b]$ be a random 2-wise independent hash function and $\sigma : [n] \to \{-1, +1\}$ be a random 4-wise independent hash function. Then $R \in \mathbb{R}^{b \times n}$ is a COUNTSKETCH matrix if we set $R_{h(i),i} = \sigma(i)$ for all $i \in [n]$ and all the other entries of R to zero.

Definition 3.5 (TENSORSKETCH matrix [Pag13, PP13]). Let $h_1, h_2 : [m] \to [s]$ be 3-wise independent hash functions, also let $\sigma : [m] \to \{\pm 1\}$ be a 4-wise independent random sign function. The degree two TENSORSKETCH transform, $S : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^s$ is defined as follows: for any $i, j \in [m]$ and $r \in [s]$,

$$S_{r,(i,j)} = \sigma_1(i) \cdot \sigma_2(j) \cdot \mathbf{1}[h_1(i) + h_2(j) = r \bmod s].$$

We will define some other required sketches : Subsampled randomized Hadamard transform (SRHT) [LDFU13], Tensor Subsampled Randomized Hadamard Transform (TENSORSRHT) [AKK$^+$20], and OSNAP [NN13] in Appendix A.

3.3 Problem Formulation

In this section, we define our task. We start with the *static version* of tensor product regression.

Definition 3.6 (Static version). In the ℓ_2 Tensor Product Regression problem, we are given matrices $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_q$ where $A_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$ and $b \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2 \ldots n_q}$. Let us define $n := n_1 n_2 \ldots n_q$ and $d := d_1 d_2 \ldots d_q$. The goal is to output $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ such that we minimize the objective:

$$\|(A_1 \otimes A_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes A_q)x - b\|_2$$

Our dynamic version of ℓ_2 Tensor Product Regression involves updating one of the matrices A_i with an update matrix B. We formally define the problem as follows:

Definition 3.7 (Dynamic version). In the Dynamic ℓ_2 Tensor Product Regression problem, we are given matrices $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_q$ where $A_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$, a sequence $\{(i_1, B_1), (i_2, B_2), \ldots, (i_T, B_T)\}$ with $i_t \in [q], B_t \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{i_t} \times d_{i_t}}$ for all $t \in [T]$, and the goal is to design a data structure with the following procedures:

- INITIALIZE: The data structure initializes $A_1, \ldots, A_q$ and maintains an approximation to $\bigotimes_{i=1}^q A_i$.

- UPDATE: At time step t, given an index i_t and an update matrix B_t, the data-structure needs to update $A_{i_t} \leftarrow A_{i_t} + B_t$, and maintain an approximation to $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes (A_{i_t} + B_t) \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$.

- QUERY: The data structure outputs a vector $\widehat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ such that

$$\|(\bigotimes_{i=1}^q A_i)\widehat{x} - b\|_2 = (1 \pm \varepsilon) \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \|(\bigotimes_{i=1}^q A_i)x - b\|_2.$$

In addition to the standard regression problem, we also consider the spline regression (which is a generalization of ridge regression) and low rank approximation problems. We will provide the definitions for these problems in their respective sections.

4 Technical Overview

The two main design considerations for our data structure are as follows: 1). We want a data structure that stores a *sketch* of the tensor product, this has the advantage of having a smaller storage space and a faster time to form the tensor product. 2). The update time to one of the matrices A_i should be fast, ideally we want to remove the linear dependence on q. With these two goals in mind, we introduce a dynamic tree data structure that satisfies both of them simultaneously, building on the sketch of [AKK$^+$20]. Specifically, we use each leaf of the tree to represent $S_i A_i$, a sketch of the base matrix that only has m rows instead of n rows, where m is proportional to the small dimension d. Each internal node represents a sketch of the Tensor product of its two children. To speed up computation, we adapt tensor-typed sketching matrices to avoid the need to explicitly form the Tensor product of the two children. The root of the tree will store a sketch for the tensor product $\bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i$.

We point out that in order for this tree to work, we need to apply an *independent* sketching matrix to each tree node. Since there are $2q - 1$ nodes in total, we will still have a dependence on q in the initialization phase (which will be dominated by the d term). However, during the update phase, our tree has a clear advantage: if one of the leaves has been updated, we only need to propagate the change along the path to root. Since the height of the tree is at most $O(\log q)$, we remove the linear dependence on q in the update phase. This is the key machinery of obtaining a faster update time in our dynamic data structure. Moreover, the correctness follows naturally from the guarantee of the tree: as shown in [AKK$^+$20], the tree itself is an OSE for matrices of proper size, hence, it also preserves the subspace after updating one of the leaves. Figure 1 is an example tree for tensor product of 4 matrices.

Figure 1: A tree for sketching the tensor product of 4 matrices A_1, A_2, A_3 and A_4. The leaves use sketches of type T_{base} and internal nodes use sketches of type S_{base}. The algorithm starts to apply T_i to each matrix A_i, and then propagates them up the tree.

With this data structure, we provide efficient algorithms for dynamic Tensor product regression, dynamic Tensor Spline regression, and dynamic Tensor low rank approximation. For all these problems, we do not explicitly maintain the solutions, rather, we use our tree to quickly update a sketch of the design matrix. In the query phase (when we need to actually solve the regression problems), we use this sketch of updated design matrix to quickly.

5 Dynamic Tree Data Structure

In this section, we introduce our data structure, which contains INITIALIZE and UPDATE procedures. We'll define task-specific QUERY procedures later. We defer proofs in this section to Appendix B. We start with an outline of Algorithm 1.

Outline of Tree: For simplicity, let us assume that the number of matrices q is a power of 2. Also, let us assume that all the matrices are of the same dimension $n_1 \times d_1$. The output is a matrix of dimension $m \times d$ where $m = \text{poly}(q, d, \varepsilon^{-2})$. First, we apply q independent base sketch matrices (such as COUNTSKETCH (Def. 3.4), SRHT (Def. A.1)) $\{T_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_1}, i \in [q]\}$ to each of the matrices $A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_q$. After this step, all the leaf nodes are of size $m \times d_1$. Then, we have a tree of height $\log q$. Let us use $\ell = 0 \to \log q$ to represent the level of the tree nodes where $\ell = 0$ represents the leaves and $\ell = \log q$ represents the root node. We have $J_{k,\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d^{2^\ell}}$ for $0 \le \ell \le \log q$ and $0 \le k \le q/2^\ell - 1$. At each internal node, we use a sketch for tensor-typed inputs (such as TENSORSKETCH (Def. 3.5) or TENSORSRHT (Def. A.2)), apply it to its two children.

Algorithm 1 Our dynamic tree data structure

1: **data structure** DYNAMICTENSORTREE $\qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad\qquad$ ▷ Theorem 5.1
2:
3: **members**
4: $\quad J_{k,\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d^{2^\ell}}$ for $0 \le \ell \le \log q$ and $0 \le k \le q/2^\ell - 1$ $\qquad$ ▷ ℓ is the level of the tree.
5: **end members**
6:
7: **procedure** INITIALIZE($A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}, m \in \mathbb{N}_+, C_{\text{base}}, T_{\text{base}}$)
8: $\quad$ **for** $\ell = 0 \to \log q$ **do**
9: $\qquad$ **for** $k = 0 \to q/2^\ell - 1$ **do**
10: $\qquad\quad$ **if** $\ell = 0$ **then**
11: $\qquad\qquad$ Choose a $C_k \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n_k}$ from C_{base}. ▷ C_{base} can be COUNTSKETCH, SRHT or OSNAP.
12: $\qquad\qquad J_{k,\ell} \leftarrow C_k A_k$
13: $\qquad\quad$ **else**
14: $\qquad\qquad$ Choose a $T_{k,\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m^2}$ from T_{base}. $\qquad$ ▷ T_{base} can be TENSORSKETCH or TENSORSRHT.
15: $\qquad\qquad J_{k,\ell} \leftarrow T_{k,\ell}(J_{2k,\ell-1} \otimes J_{2k+1,\ell-1})$ $\qquad$ ▷ Sketch of tensor product of its children
16: $\qquad\quad$ **end if**
17: $\qquad$ **end for**
18: $\quad$ **end for**
19: **end procedure**
20:
21: **procedure** UPDATE($i \in [q], B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$)
22: $\quad$ **for** $\ell = 0 \to \log(q)$ **do**
23: $\qquad$ **if** $\ell = 0$ **then**
24: $\qquad\quad J_{i,0}^{\text{new}} \leftarrow C_i B$
25: $\qquad\quad J_{i,0} \leftarrow J_{i,0} + J_{i,0}^{\text{new}}$
26: $\qquad$ **else**
27: $\qquad\quad J_{\lceil i/2^\ell \rceil, \ell}^{\text{new}} \leftarrow T_{k,\ell}(J_{\lceil i/2^{\ell-1} \rceil, \ell-1}^{\text{new}} \otimes J_{\lceil i/2^{\ell-1} \rceil+1, \ell-1})$ $\qquad$ ▷ Sibling is to the left also sometimes
28: $\qquad\quad J_{\lceil i/2^\ell \rceil, \ell} \leftarrow J_{\lceil i/2^\ell \rceil, \ell} + J_{\lceil i/2^\ell \rceil, \ell}^{\text{new}}$ $\qquad$ ▷ Sketch of tensor product of its children
29: $\qquad$ **end if**
30: $\quad$ **end for**
31: **end procedure**

The sketching matrix $S_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m^2}$, and it can be applied to its two inputs fast, obtaining a running time of $\widetilde{O}(m)$ instead of $O(m^2)$. We inductively compute the tree all the way up to the root for initialization. Note that at the root, we end up with a matrix of size $m \times d$, which is significantly smaller than the tensor product $n \times d$.

The running time guarantees of Algorithm 1, which we will prove in Appendix B, are as follows:

Theorem 5.1 (Running time of our main result. Informal version of Theorem B.1)**.** *There is an algorithm (Algorithm 1) that has the following procedures:*

- INITIALIZE($A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times d_2}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}, m \in \mathbb{N}_+, C_{\text{base}}, T_{\text{base}}$)*: Given matrices $A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times d_2}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$,, a sketching dimension m, families of base sketches C_{base} and T_{base}, the data-structure pre-processes in time $\widetilde{O}(\sum_{i=1}^q \text{nnz}(A_i) + md^{3/2})$.*

- UPDATE($i \in [q], B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$)*: Given a matrix B and an index $i \in [q]$, the data structure updates the approximation to $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes (A_i + B) \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$ in time $\widetilde{O}(\text{nnz}(B) + md^{3/2})$.*

Remark 5.2. In our data structure, we only pay the linear q term in INITIALIZATION (which will be dominated by the term d), since we are maintaining a tree with $2q - 1$ nodes, each node corresponds to a matrix of m rows. In the UPDATE phase, we shave off the linear dependence on q. We also want to point out that the sketching dimension m is typically at least linear on q, however, it only depends on q, the small dimension d and the precision parameter ε, hence it is much efficient to use

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Algorithm 2 Dynamic Tensor Product Regression

1: **data structure** DTPREGRESSION
2:
3: **members**
4: DYNAMICTENSORTREE DTT
5: $A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$
6: $\widetilde{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$
7: **end members**
8:
9: **procedure** INITIALIZE($A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}, m, C_{\text{base}}, T_{\text{base}}, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$)
10: DTT.INITIALIZE($A_1, \ldots, A_q, m, C_{\text{base}}, T_{\text{base}}$)
11: $A_1 \leftarrow A_1, \ldots, A_q \leftarrow A_q$
12: Let $\Pi_q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ be the sketching matrix corresponds to DTT
13: $\widetilde{b} \leftarrow \Pi_q b$
14: **end procedure**
15:
16: **procedure** UPDATE($i \in [q], B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$)
17: DTT.UPDATE(i, B)
18: **end procedure**
19:
20: **procedure** QUERY()
21: $M \leftarrow \text{DTT}.J_{0,0}$
22: $\widetilde{x} \leftarrow (M^\top M)^{-1} M^\top \widetilde{b}$
23: **return** $\widetilde{x}$
24: **end procedure**

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this sketch representation compared to the original tensor product. Also, note that though we only design a data structure for q being a power of 2, it is not hard to generalize to q being an arbitrary positive integer via the technique introduced in [SWYZ21]. We only incur a $\log q$ factor by doing so.

The approximation guarantee for our dynamic tree, which follows from [AKK+20] and for which we provide a brief sketch in Appendix B are as follows:

Theorem 5.3 (Approximation guarantee of our dynamic tree. Informal version of Theorem B.1). *Let Π^q denote the sketching matrix generated by the dynamic tree, we then have that:*

$$\|\Pi^q(\bigotimes_{i=1}^q A_i)x\|_2 = (1 \pm \varepsilon)\|(\bigotimes_{i=1}^q A_i)x\|_2.$$

6 Dynamic Tensor Product Regression

We present an algorithm (Alg. 2) for solving the dynamic Tensor product regression problem. Our algorithm is to use the dynamic tree data structure to maintain the design matrix and update it efficiently. Additionally, we maintain the label vector via $\Pi^q b$, which is a sketch of b. During the query phase, we output the solution using the sketched tensor product we maintained and the sketched label vector. We have the following guarantees, the proof of which we defer to Appendix C:

Theorem 6.1 (Informal version of Theorem C.1). *There is a dynamic data structure for dynamic Tensor product regression problem with the following procedures:*

- INITIALIZE($A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times d_2}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}, m \in \mathbb{N}_+, C_{\text{base}}, T_{\text{base}}, b \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \cdots n_q}$): *Given matrices $A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times d_2}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$,, a sketching dimension m, families of base sketches $C_{\text{base}}, T_{\text{base}}$ and a label vector $b \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \cdots n_q}$, the data-structure pre-processes in time $\widetilde{O}(\sum_{i=1}^q \text{nnz}(A_i) + md^{3/2} + m \cdot \text{nnz}(b))$.*

- UPDATE($i \in [q], B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$): *Given a matrix B and an index $i \in [q]$, the data structure updates the approximation to $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes (A_i + B) \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$ in time $\widetilde{O}(\mathrm{nnz}(B) + md^{3/2})$.*

- QUERY: *Query outputs an approximate solution $\widehat{x}$ to the Tensor product regression problem where $\|\bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i \widehat{x} - b\|_2 = (1 \pm \varepsilon)\|\bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i x^* - b\|_2$ with probability at least $1 - \delta$ in time $O(md^{\omega-1} + d^\omega)$ where x^* is an optimal solution to the Tensor product regression problem i.e. $x^* = \arg\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \|\bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i x - b\|_2$.*

7 Dynamic Tensor Spline Regression

Spline regression models are a well studied class of regression models [MC01]. In particular, spline regression problems involving tensor products arise in the context of B-Splines and P-Splines [EM96]. For a very brief but relevant introduction to Spline regression, we refer the reader to [DSSW18]. In this section, we first define the Spline regression problem as it pertains to our sketching application. Algorithm 3, which shows how we can use our DYNAMICTENSORTREE data structure to solve a dynamic version of the Spline regression problem is provided in Appendix D.

Definition 7.1 (Spline Regression). In the Spline regression problem, given a design matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, a target vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, a regularization matrix $L \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times d}$, and a non-negative penalty coefficient $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, the goal is to optimize

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|Ax - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \cdot \|Lx\|_2^2 \tag{1}$$

Notice that the classic ridge regression problem is a special case of spline regression (when $L = I$). In the TENSOR SPLINE REGRESSION problem, we want to solve the Spline regression problem where the design matrix A can be decomposed as the tensor product of multiple smaller matrices i.e. $A = A_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes A_q$. Our DYNAMICTENSORTREE data structure can be used to solve a dynamic version of TENSOR SPLINE REGRESSION. In our dynamic model, at each time step, the update is of the form $i \in [q], B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$, and the data structure has to update $A_i \leftarrow A_i + B$.

Let x^* denote an optimal solution of the Spline regression problem, i.e.

$$x^* = \arg\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|Ax - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \cdot \|Lx\|_2^2$$

and let $\mathrm{OPT} := \|Ax^* - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \cdot \|Lx^*\|_2^2$. We can compute x^* given A, b, L, λ by $x^* = (A^\top A + \lambda L^\top L)^{-1} A^\top b$.

We will specify the sketching dimension m needed for our DYNAMICTENSORTREE for Spline regression in Appendix D.

Theorem 7.2 (Guarantees for DTSREGRESSION. Informal version of Theorem D.4). *There exists an algorithm (Algorithm 3) with the following procedures:*

- INITIALIZE($A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$): *Given matrices $A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$, the data structure pre-processes in time*

$$\widetilde{O}(\sum_{i=1}^{q} \mathrm{nnz}(A_i) + md^{3/2} + m \cdot \mathrm{nnz}(b)).$$

- UPDATE($i \in [q], B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$): *Given an index $i \in [q]$ and an update matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$, the data structure updates in time $\widetilde{O}(\mathrm{nnz}(B) + md^{3/2})$.*

- QUERY: *Let A denote the tensor product $\bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i$. Query outputs a solution $\widetilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with constant probability such the $\widetilde{x}$ is an ε approximate to the Tensor Spline Regression problem i.e.*

$$\|A\widetilde{x} - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \cdot \|L\widetilde{x}\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \varepsilon) \cdot \mathrm{OPT}$$

where $\mathrm{OPT} = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|Ax - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \cdot \|Lx\|_2^2$. Query takes time $md^{(\omega-1)} + pd^{(\omega-1)} + d^\omega$.

We defer the proof of the above theorem to Appendix D.

8 Dynamic Tensor Low Rank Approximation

In this section, we consider a problem studied in [DJS$^+$19]: given matrices $A_1, \ldots, A_q$, the goal is to compute a low rank approximation for the tensor product matrix $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$, specifically, a rank-$k$ approximation $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ such that

$$\|B - A\|_F \leq (1 + \varepsilon)\mathrm{OPT}_k,$$

where $\mathrm{OPT}_k = \min_{\text{rank-}k \ A'} \|A' - A\|_F$ and $A = \bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i$. The [DJS$^+$19] algorithm works as follows: they pick q independent CountSketch matrices [CCFC02], then apply each sketch matrix S_i to A_i. After that, they form the tensor product $M = \bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} S_i A_i$ and run SVD on $M = U \Sigma V^\top$. Finally, they output $B = A U_k^\top U_k$ in factored form (as matrices $A_1, \ldots, A_q, U_k$), where $U_k \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$ denotes the top k right singular vectors. By doing so, they achieve an overall running time of

$$O(\sum_{i=1}^{q} \mathrm{nnz}(A_i) + qd\,\mathrm{poly}(k/\varepsilon)).$$

Since their algorithm is inherently static, a natural way to make it dynamic is to apply S_i to the update B, reforming the tensor product of sketches and compute the SVD. We will show that by using our tree data structure, we significantly reduce the time of reforming the tensor product after updating. We provide our algorithm (Algorithm 4) for maintaining low rank approximations for tensor product matrices in Appendix E.

Theorem 8.1 (Guarantees for LOWRANKMAINTENANCE. Informal version of Theorem E.1)*.*
There exists an algorithm (Algorithm 4) that has the following procedures

- INITIALIZE($A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$)*: Given matrices $A_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d}, \ldots, A_q \in \mathbb{R}^{n_q \times d_q}$, the data structure processes in time*

$$\widetilde{O}(\sum_{i=1}^{q} \mathrm{nnz}(A_i) + md^{3/2} + m \cdot \mathrm{nnz}(b)).$$

- UPDATE($i \in [q], B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$)*: Given an index $i \in [q]$ and an update matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i \times d_i}$, the data structure updates the approximation for $A_1 \otimes \ldots \otimes (A_i + B) \otimes \ldots \otimes A_q$ in time*

$$\widetilde{O}(\mathrm{nnz}(B) + md^{3/2}).$$

- QUERY*: Let A denote the tensor product $\bigotimes_{i=1}^{q} A_i$. The data structure outputs a rank-k approximation C such that*

$$\|C - A\|_F \leq (1 + \varepsilon) \min_{\text{rank-}k \ A'} \|A' - A\|_F.$$

  The time to output C is $\widetilde{O}(md^2)$.

The essence of our algorithm is to only pay a linear term in q during initialization phase. By using our dynamic tree data structure, we save a q factor in the subsequent update and query stages, which cannot be avoided if one directly adapts the algorithm in [DJS$^+$19] since they need to reform the tensor products for q sketches. We defer the proof of the above theorem to Appendix E.

9 Conclusion & Future Directions

In this work, we have initiated the study of the Dynamic Tensor Regression, Dynamic Tensor Spline Regression, and Dynamic Tensor Low-Rank Approximation problems, and design a tree data structure DYNAMICTENSORTREE which can be used to provide fast dynamic algorithms for these problems. The problems we study are very interesting and there are a lot of exciting future directions, some of which we discuss below. First, it is unclear whether the algorithms we proposed are optimal and so having lower bounds for the update times would be great! Second, we have focused exclusively on regression problems with the ℓ_2 norm whereas solving Dynamic Tensor Regression and Dynamic Tensor Spline Regression with respect to the more robust ℓ_1-norm as well as for more general p-norms are also very appealing. Furthermore, the current form of our data structure can only support oblivious update sequences and so making our data structure robust to adaptive adversarial sequences of updates is another compelling open direction, especially with the recent surge of interest in adversarial machine learning [KGB17, CN20].

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