

Probabilistic Tensor Decomposition for Human Mobility^{*1}

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Introduction

Human mobility data contains complex stochastic structure.

- **Tensor Data**

Divide the whole space into a finite number of grids and count the number of people with certain categories in each grid at specific time.

⇒ Multi-dimensional array data (= Tensor data)

- Goal: Find underlying dependence structures

⇒ Approximate the observed tensor by a parsimonious (low rank) tensor representation (= Tensor Decomposition)

We use **non-negative Tucker decomposition**.

Related literatures: Fan et al., (2014), Sun and Axhausen (2016) etc...

Data

We divide Tokyo metropolitan area into $10 \times 10 = 100$ grids and count the number of people with different types of jobs at two time (00:00 and 12:00).

→ 3-dimensional tensor

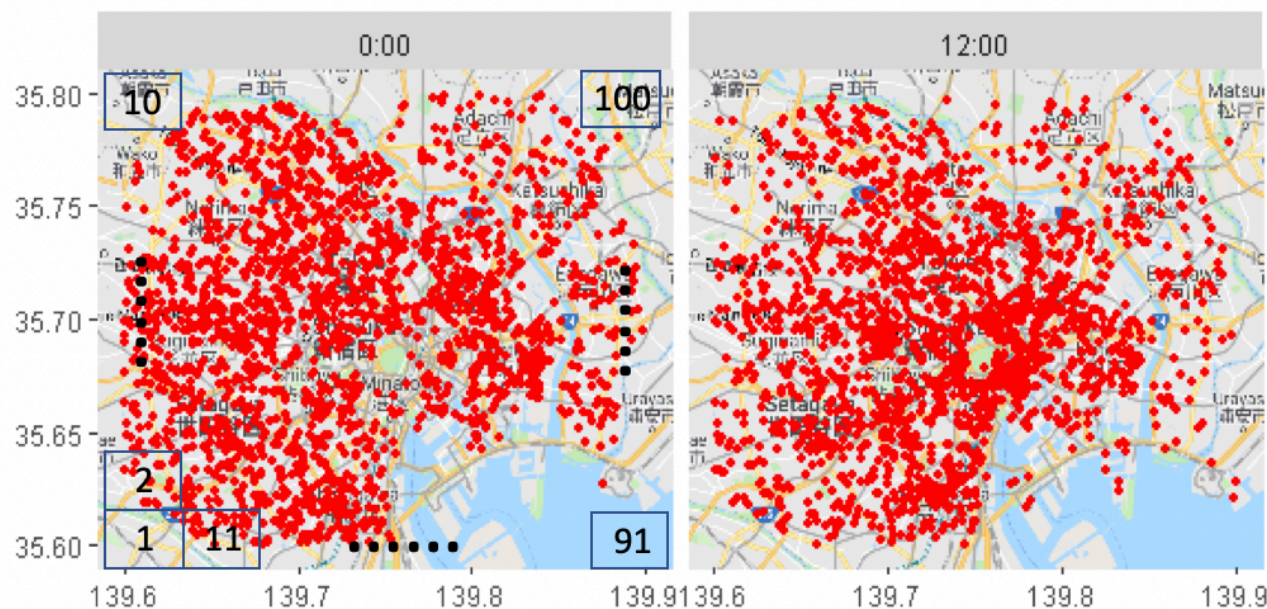


Figure1 Mobility pattern of *transportation job* at 00:00 (left) and 12:00 (right).

Non-negative Tucker decomposition

- G : core tensor A, B, C : base matrices
- Core tensor = weight (sum of all the elements is 1)
 \Rightarrow By investigating the elements in A, B, C whose weight is large, we can see the dependence structure.

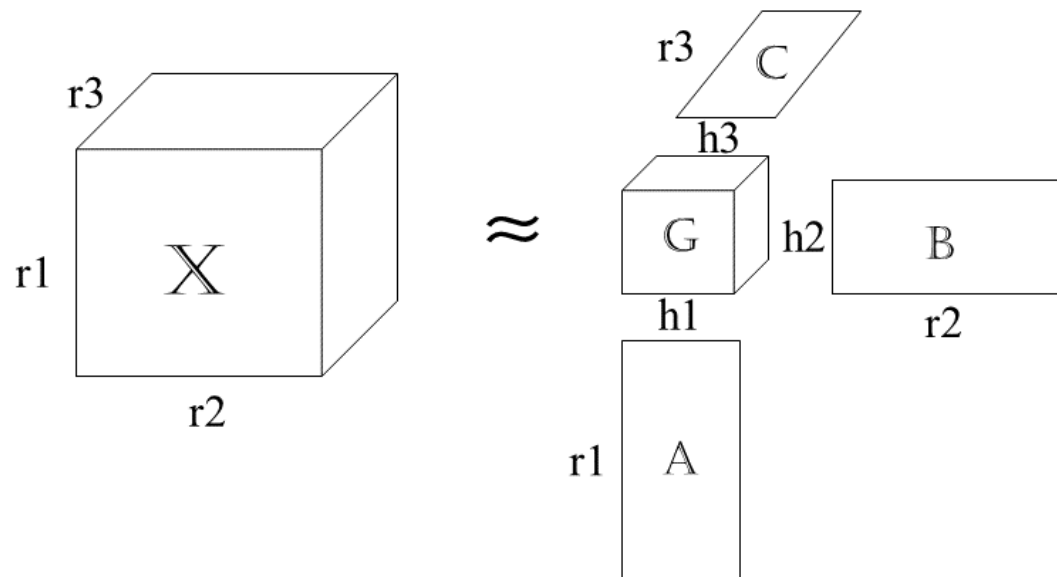


Figure2 Image of Tucker decomposition

Non-negative Tucker decomposition

$$x_{c_1 \dots c_m} = \sum_{k_1=1}^{h_1} \cdots \sum_{k_m=1}^{h_m} g_{k_1 \dots k_m} u_{c_1 k_1}^{(1)} \times \cdots \times u_{c_m k_m}^{(m)}$$

- $x_{c_1 \dots c_m}$: element of observed tensor
- $g_{k_1 \dots k_m}$: element of core tensor
- In our application, $m = 3$ (3-dimensional tensor), $r_1 = 100$, $r_2 = 100$, $r_3 = 2$ (*transportation and sales*)
 $\Rightarrow h_1 = 16, h_2 = 16, h_3 = 2$

Results

Results for *transportation workers*

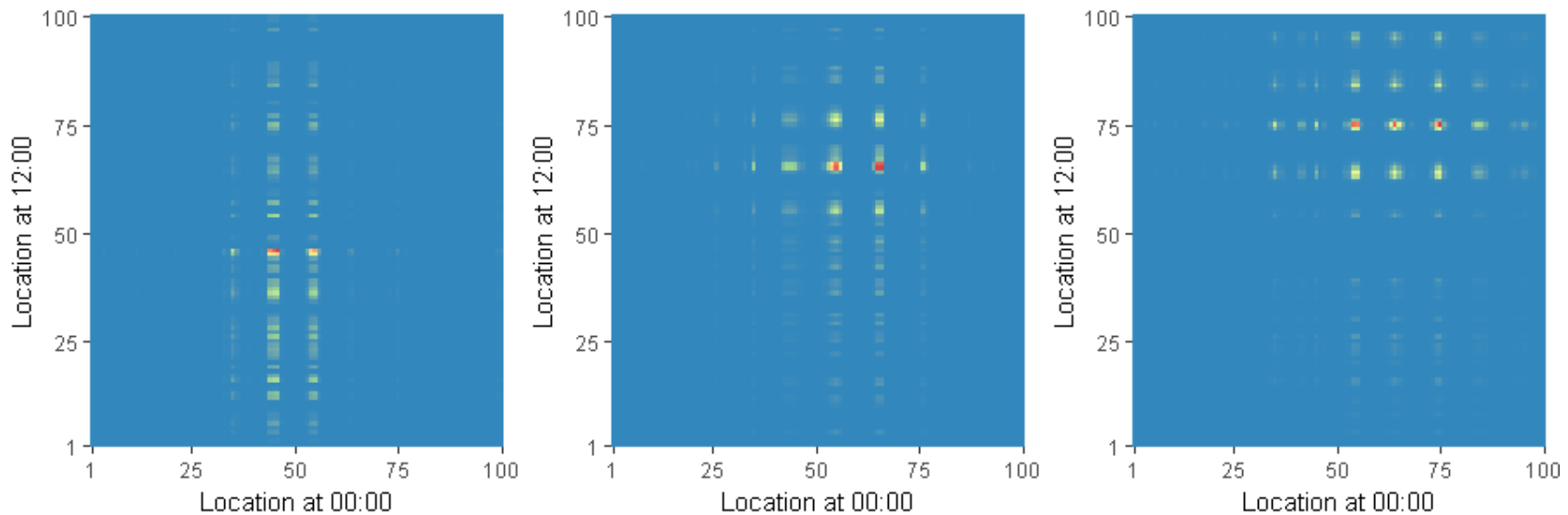


Figure3 Top 3 basis

- Base with largest weight : People are concentrated at the center of Tokyo at 00:00, but they spread at 12:00.
- Based with second and third largest weights: People remain in the east of Tokyo.

Results

Results for *sales workers*

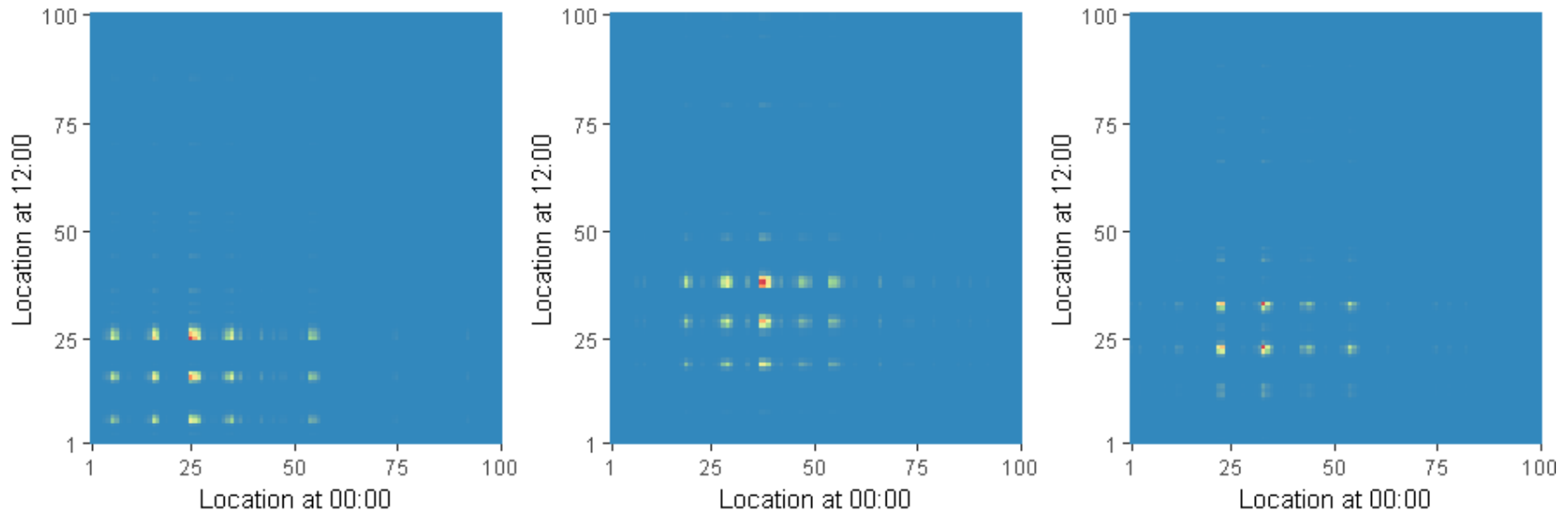


Figure4 Top 3 basis

- People are more concentrated at 12:00 than at 00:00. (Commuting?)

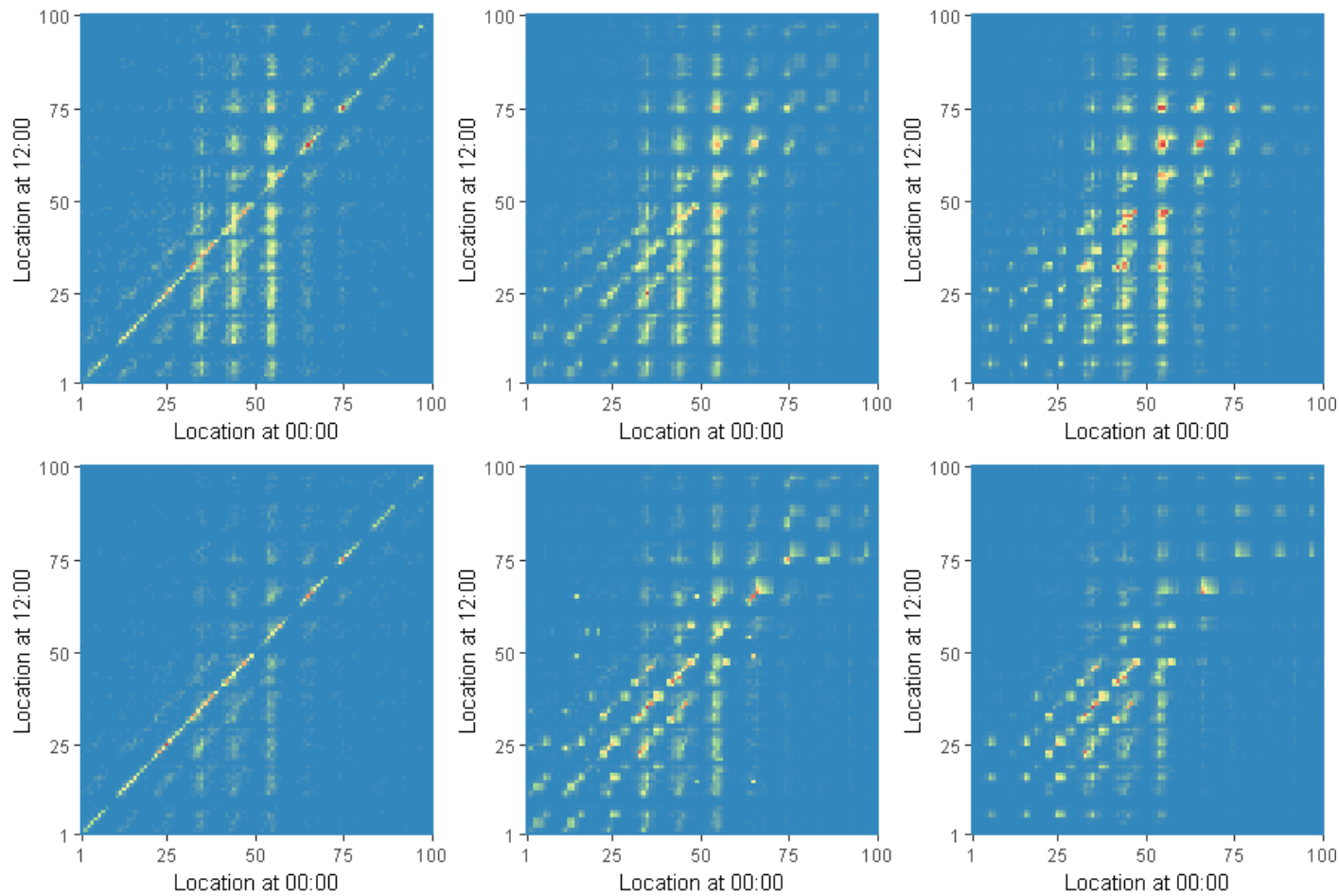


Figure5 (left) observed tensor, (center) approximated tensor, (right) approximated tensor based on bases with top 10 weights; (upper) transportation and (lower) sales workers.

Conclusion and Future Work

- Using tensor decomposition, we can reveal the difference of human mobility among categories.

“Statistical” comparison of human mobility will be a future work.

- **Scalability**

We can use other information (Age and Purpose etc...), but the size of observed tensor will be large.

- **Clustering**

Using Dirichlet process, we may introduce clustering structure into a core tensor. (Automatic determination of the size of core tensor.)