# Multilinear Subspace Regression: An Orthogonal Tensor Decomposition Approach 

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## Multilinear regression and applications

- Tensor representation of multidimensional data
- EEG, ECoG (spatial, temporal, frequency, epoch,...)
- Physical meaning - ease of interpretation
- From multivariate to multi-way array processes - partial least squares (PLS)

- Standard PLS applied on matricization of both $X$ and $Y$
- Small sample size problem
- Overfitting problem (high dimension of subspace basis)
- Lack of physical interpretation for loadings



## Proposed approach

## Objective function

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\begin{aligned}
& \min _{\left\{\mathbf{P}^{(n)}, \mathbf{Q}^{(m)}\right\}}\left\|\underline{\mathbf{X}}-\llbracket \underline{\mathbf{G}} ; \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{P}^{(1)}, \ldots, \mathbf{P}^{(N-1)} \rrbracket\right\|^{2}+\left\|\underline{\mathbf{Y}}-\llbracket \underline{\mathbf{D}} ; \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{Q}^{(1)}, \ldots, \mathbf{Q}^{(M-1)} \rrbracket\right\|^{2} \\
& \text { s. t. } \quad\left\{\mathbf{P}^{(n) T} \mathbf{P}^{(n)}\right\}=\mathbf{I}_{L_{n+1}}, \quad\left\{\mathbf{Q}^{(m) T} \mathbf{Q}^{(m)}\right\}=\mathbf{I}_{K_{m+1}},
\end{aligned}
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Extension of PLS to higher-order tensor data - HOPLS

- Goal: to predict a tensor Y from a tensor X
- Approach: to extract the common latent variables

Properties:

- Flexible multilinear regression framework
- Projection on tensor subspace basis
- Efficient optimization algorithm using HOOI on the $n$-mode crosscovariance tensor


## Key advantages

## Small sample size




HOPLS: better prediction performance and enhanced robustness to noise

## Robustness against overfitting and noise



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Stability of the performance of HOPLS, NPLS and PLS for a varying number of latent vectors under different noise conditions

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