Tensor Trains: defeating the curse of dimensionality

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Motivation

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Direct Solution of the Chemical Master Equation Using Quantized Tensor Trains

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> simulation package. This allows us, on the one hand, to validate the accuracy of the OTT-based solutions obtained here and, on the other hand, to provide evidence of the dramatic increase in

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efficiency afforded by the new deterministic approach: Monte Carlo simulations on 1500 cores of a high-performance cluster were matched in accuracy and outperformed in the wall-clock time by a MATLAB implementation running on a notebook.

Outline

▷ Tensor Trains in statistical physics

▷ Solving the Chemical Master Equation using Tensor Trains

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 \triangleright emergent macroscopic behavior / emergent correlations



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 \triangleright Remark $2^{100} \simeq 10^{30} \simeq 10^{15}$ TB.





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 \triangleright Naive brute force: 2^N operations necessary.

 \triangleright Monte Carlo: sampling in space of 2^N states.



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 \triangleright Is just a "discrete Gaussian" (continuous if $X_n \in \mathbb{R}$) with

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 \triangleright Correlations by inverting or diagonalizing the covariance matrix.



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Tensor Train format $\triangleright \frac{1}{2}(2^3 + 4^3)N$ operations

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In the quantum TT community, the most used algorithm is an optimization that operates on an arbitrarly parameterized TT:

Solve linear system $H \boldsymbol{v} = \lambda \boldsymbol{v}$ for the lowest eigenvalue

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The corresponding probability density function p(t), where $p_x(t)$ is the probability for that a certain population number configuration $x = (n_1, n_2, ..., n_N)$ occurs at time t, evolves according to a linear ODE:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\boldsymbol{p}(t) = H\boldsymbol{p}(t)$$

H describes chemical reactions parametrized by propensities $\omega(\pmb{x})$ and coupling terms.

Example: enzymatic futile cycle

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 \triangleright State space truncated to $2^{22}\simeq 4\cdot 10^6.$

 \triangleright "... 10^{10} Monte Carlo simulations (every 10000 draws taking at least 110 seconds, amounting to the overall CPU time over 10^8 seconds) ..."

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