

## Introduction

- We propose a novel Riemannian preconditioning approach for the tensor completion problem with rank constraint.
- The nuclear norm regularization approach from the matrix case to the tensor case leads to good results. But, its applicability to large-scale instances is not trivial, especially due to the necessity of high-dimensional SVD computations.
- A different approach exploits *Tucker decomposition* of a low-rank tensor  $\mathcal{X}$  for large-scale algorithms.
- We propose *Riemannian preconditioning* that exploits the least-squares structure of the cost function and takes into account the structured symmetry in Tucker decomposition.

## Tensor completion problem

- This research addresses the problem of low-rank tensor completion when the rank is a priori known or estimated below;

$$\min_{\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}} \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \|\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathcal{X}) - \mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathcal{X}^*)\|_F^2 \quad (1)$$

subject to  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{X}) = \mathbf{r}$ ,

- The operator  $\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathcal{X})_{i_1 i_2 i_3} = \mathcal{X}_{i_1 i_2 i_3}$  if  $(i_1, i_2, i_3) \in \Omega$  and  $\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathcal{X})_{i_1 i_2 i_3} = 0$  otherwise.
- $\text{rank}(\mathcal{X}) (= \mathbf{r} = (r_1, r_2, r_3))$ , called the *multilinear rank* of  $\mathcal{X}$ , is the set of the ranks of for each of mode- $d$  unfolding matrices.
- $r_d \ll n_d$  enforces a low-rank structure.

## Contributions

- We propose a novel *Riemannian metric* that exploits both the *symmetry* present in Tucker decomposition and the *least-squares* structure of problem (1).
- The specific metric allows to use the versatile framework of *Riemannian optimization on quotient manifolds* to develop a *Riemannian preconditioned* nonlinear conjugate gradient algorithm for the problem.
- To this end, concrete matrix representations of various optimization-related ingredients are listed.
- Numerical comparisons suggest that our proposed algorithm robustly outperforms state-of-the-art algorithms across different problem instances encompassing various synthetic and real-world datasets.

## The quotient structure of Tucker decomposition

- The Tucker decomposition of a tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2 \times n_3}$  of rank  $\mathbf{r} (= (r_1, r_2, r_3))$  is  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \times_2 \mathbf{U}_2 \times_3 \mathbf{U}_3$ , where  $\mathbf{U}_d \in \text{St}(r_d, n_d)$  belongs to the *Stiefel manifold* of matrices of size  $n_d \times r_d$  with orthogonal columns and  $\mathcal{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times r_2 \times r_3}$ .
- Because Tucker decomposition is *not unique* as  $\mathcal{X}$  remains unchanged for all  $\mathbf{O}_d \in \mathcal{O}(r_d)$ , we define *equivalence classes* as,

$$[(\mathbf{U}_1, \mathbf{U}_2, \mathbf{U}_3, \mathcal{G})] := \{(\mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{O}_1, \mathbf{U}_2 \mathbf{O}_2, \mathbf{U}_3 \mathbf{O}_3, \mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{O}_1^T \times_2 \mathbf{O}_2^T \times_3 \mathbf{O}_3^T) : \mathbf{O}_d \in \mathcal{O}(r_d)\}.$$

- The set of equivalence classes is the quotient manifold

$$\mathcal{M}/\sim := \mathcal{M}/(\mathcal{O}(r_1) \times \mathcal{O}(r_2) \times \mathcal{O}(r_3)),$$

where  $\mathcal{M}$  is called the *total space* (computational space) that is the product space  $\mathcal{M} := \text{St}(r_1, n_1) \times \text{St}(r_2, n_2) \times \text{St}(r_3, n_3) \times \mathbb{R}^{r_1 \times r_2 \times r_3}$ .

- Problem (1) is conceptually transformed into an unconstrained optimization problem on a *Riemannian quotient manifold* by endowing  $\mathcal{M}/\sim$  with a Riemannian structure.

## The least-squares structure of the cost function

- An induced metric resolves convergence issues of first-order optimization algorithms.
- Problem (1) is *convex and quadratic* in  $\mathcal{X}$ , and it is also convex and quadratic in the arguments  $(\mathbf{U}_1, \mathbf{U}_2, \mathbf{U}_3, \mathcal{G})$  individually.
- Block diagonal approximation of the Hessian as shown below of the simplified cost function  $\|\mathcal{X} - \mathcal{X}^*\|_F^2$  can be a good trade-off ingredients for a new metric.

$$((\mathbf{G}_1 \mathbf{G}_1^T) \otimes \mathbf{I}_{n_1}, (\mathbf{G}_2 \mathbf{G}_2^T) \otimes \mathbf{I}_{n_2}, (\mathbf{G}_3 \mathbf{G}_3^T) \otimes \mathbf{I}_{n_3}, \mathbf{I}_{r_1 r_2 r_3}).$$

## A novel Riemannian metric

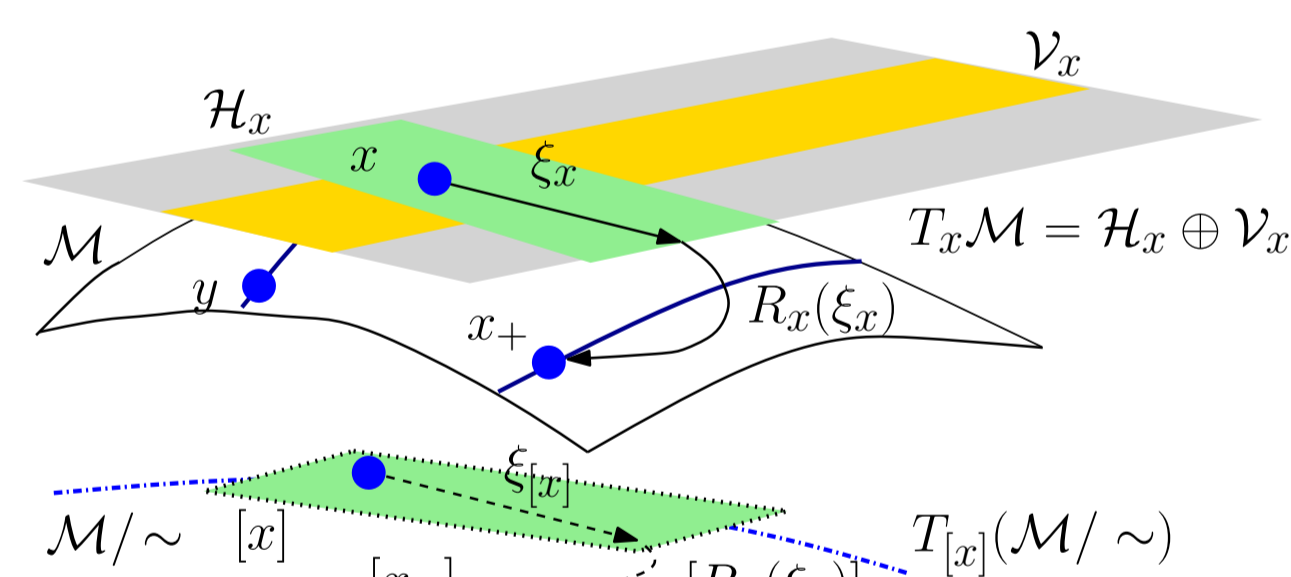
- From the discussions above on symmetry and least-squares structure, we propose the novel metric  $g_x : T_x \mathcal{M} \times T_x \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$g_x(\xi_x, \eta_x) = \langle \xi_{\mathbf{U}_1}, \eta_{\mathbf{U}_1} (\mathbf{G}_1 \mathbf{G}_1^T) \rangle + \langle \xi_{\mathbf{U}_2}, \eta_{\mathbf{U}_2} (\mathbf{G}_2 \mathbf{G}_2^T) \rangle + \langle \xi_{\mathbf{U}_3}, \eta_{\mathbf{U}_3} (\mathbf{G}_3 \mathbf{G}_3^T) \rangle + \langle \xi_{\mathcal{G}}, \eta_{\mathcal{G}} \rangle,$$

where  $\xi_x, \eta_x \in T_x \mathcal{M}$  are tangent vectors with matrix characterizations,  $(\xi_{\mathbf{U}_1}, \xi_{\mathbf{U}_2}, \xi_{\mathbf{U}_3}, \xi_{\mathcal{G}})$  and  $(\eta_{\mathbf{U}_1}, \eta_{\mathbf{U}_2}, \eta_{\mathbf{U}_3}, \eta_{\mathcal{G}})$ , and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the Euclidean inner product.

## Quotient manifold and horizontal lift

- $x$  and  $y$  belong to the same equivalence class and they represent a single point  $[x] := \{y \in \mathcal{M} : y \sim x\}$  on  $\mathcal{M}/\sim$ .
- Tangent space  $T_x \mathcal{M} = \mathcal{V}_x \oplus \mathcal{H}_x$ , where the vertical space  $\mathcal{V}_x$  is the tangent space of the equivalence class  $[x]$ , and the horizontal space  $\mathcal{H}_x$  is the *orthogonal subspace* to  $\mathcal{V}_x$ .
- $\xi_{[x]} \in T_{[x]}(\mathcal{M}/\sim)$  at  $[x]$  has a unique element  $\xi_x \in \mathcal{H}_x$  called its *horizontal lift*.



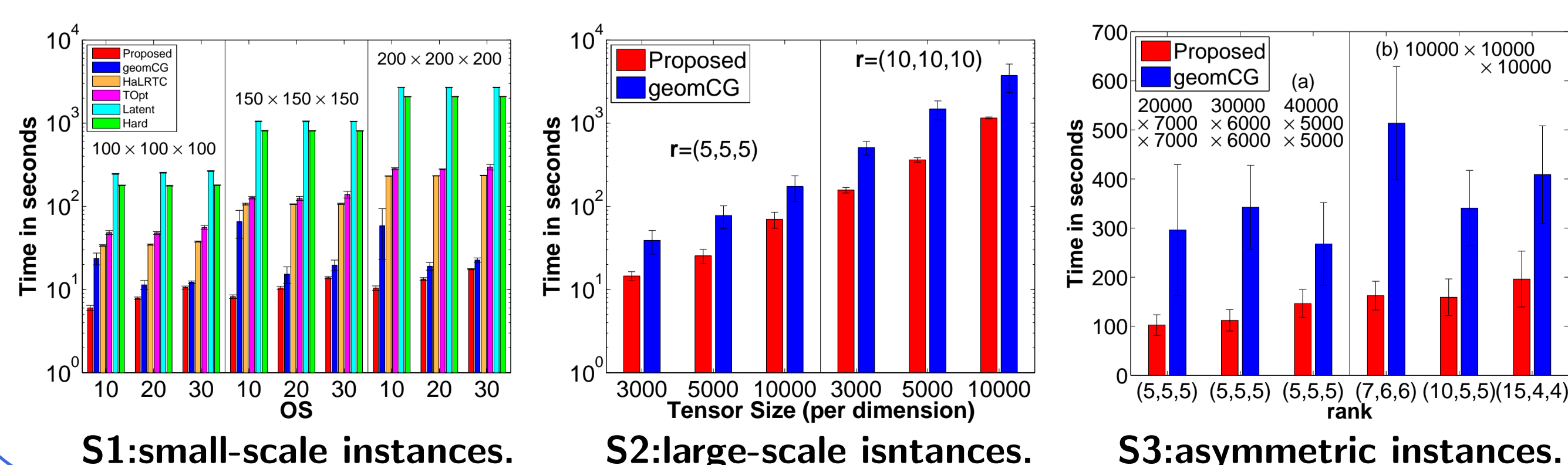
## Ingredients to implement nonlinear CG with Manopt

$\Psi(\cdot)$ projects an ambient vector $(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}_1}, \mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}_2}, \mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}_3}, \mathbf{Y}_{\mathcal{G}})$ onto $T_x \mathcal{M}$	$(\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}_1} - \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{U}_1} (\mathbf{G}_1 \mathbf{G}_1^T)^{-1}, \mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}_2} - \mathbf{U}_2 \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{U}_2} (\mathbf{G}_2 \mathbf{G}_2^T)^{-1}, \mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{U}_3} - \mathbf{U}_3 \mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{U}_3} (\mathbf{G}_3 \mathbf{G}_3^T)^{-1}, \mathbf{Y}_{\mathcal{G}})$ , where $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{U}_d}$ are symmetric matrices.
$\Pi(\cdot)$ projects a tangent vector $\xi_x$ onto $\mathcal{H}_x$	$(\xi_{\mathbf{U}_1} - \mathbf{U}_1 \Omega_1, \xi_{\mathbf{U}_2} - \mathbf{U}_2 \Omega_2, \xi_{\mathbf{U}_3} - \mathbf{U}_3 \Omega_3, \xi_{\mathcal{G}} - ((\mathcal{G} \times_1 \Omega_1 + \mathcal{G} \times_2 \Omega_2 + \mathcal{G} \times_3 \Omega_3)))$ , $\Omega_d$ are skew matrices.
First-order derivative of $f(x)$	$(\mathbf{S}_1 (\mathbf{U}_3 \otimes \mathbf{U}_2) \mathbf{G}_1^T, \mathbf{S}_2 (\mathbf{U}_3 \otimes \mathbf{U}_1) \mathbf{G}_2^T, \mathbf{S}_3 (\mathbf{U}_2 \otimes \mathbf{U}_1) \mathbf{G}_3^T, \mathcal{S} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1^T \times_2 \mathbf{U}_2^T \times_3 \mathbf{U}_3^T)$ , $\mathcal{S} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \Omega} (\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathcal{G} \times_1 \mathbf{U}_1 \times_2 \mathbf{U}_2 \times_3 \mathbf{U}_3) - \mathcal{P}_\Omega(\mathcal{X}^*))$ .
Retraction $R_x(\xi_x)$	$(\text{uf}(\mathbf{U}_1 + \xi_{\mathbf{U}_1}), \text{uf}(\mathbf{U}_2 + \xi_{\mathbf{U}_2}), \text{uf}(\mathbf{U}_3 + \xi_{\mathbf{U}_3}), \mathcal{G} + \xi_{\mathcal{G}})$
Horizontal lift of the vector transport $T_{\eta_x} \xi_{[x]}$	$\Pi_{R_x(\eta_x)}(\Psi_{R_x(\eta_x)}(\xi_x))$

## Experiments on synthetic datasets

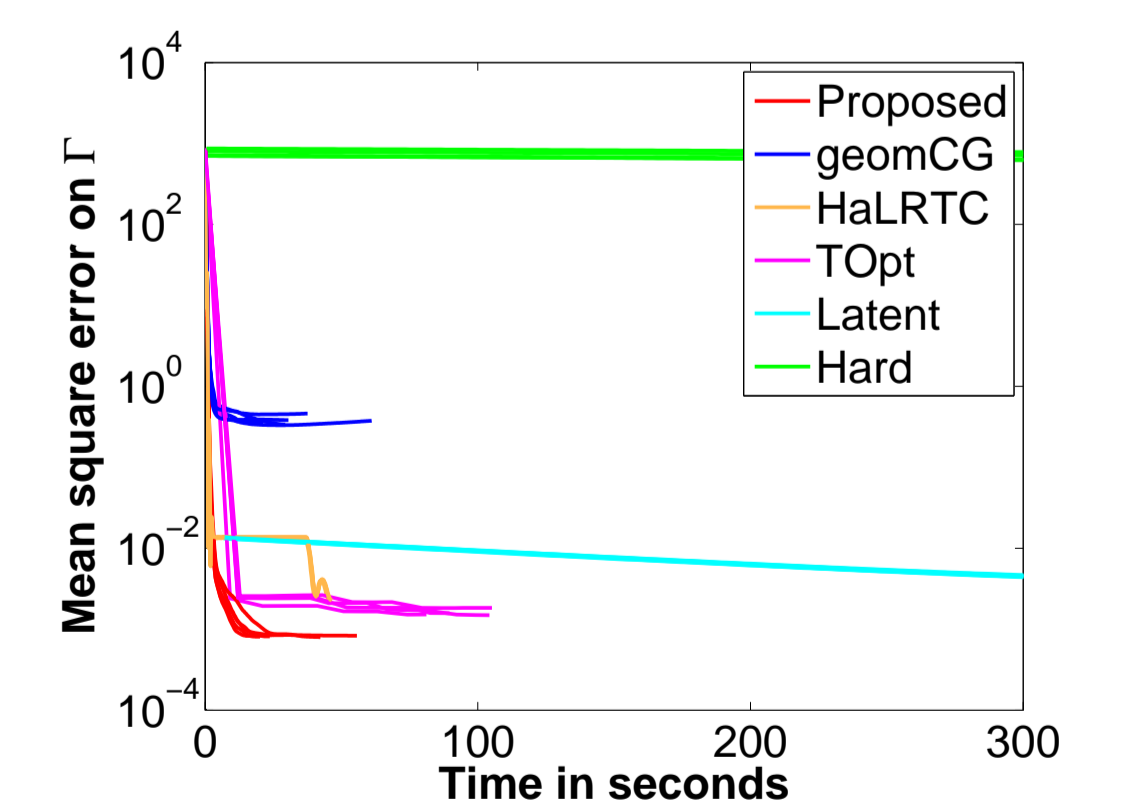
We compare with Tucker decomposition based algorithms (geomCG, TOpt), and nuclear norm minimization algorithms (HaLRTC, Latent, Hard).

- **S1: small-scale instances.** Small-scale tensors of size  $100 \times 100 \times 100$ ,  $150 \times 150 \times 150$ , and  $200 \times 200 \times 200$  and rank  $\mathbf{r} = (10, 10, 10)$ . OS is  $\{10, 20, 30\}$ .
- **S2: large-scale instances.** We consider large-scale tensors of size  $3000 \times 3000 \times 3000$ ,  $5000 \times 5000 \times 5000$ , and  $10000 \times 10000 \times 10000$  and ranks  $\mathbf{r} = (5, 5, 5)$  and  $(10, 10, 10)$ . OS is 10.
- **S3: asymmetric instances.** Case (3.a) considers  $20000 \times 7000 \times 7000$ ,  $30000 \times 6000 \times 6000$ , and  $40000 \times 5000 \times 5000$  with rank  $\mathbf{r} = (5, 5, 5)$ . Case (3.b) considers a tensor of size  $10000 \times 10000 \times 10000$  with ranks  $(7, 6, 6)$ ,  $(10, 5, 5)$ , and  $(15, 4, 4)$ .



## Experiments on Real-world datasets

- **R1: Hyperspectral image "Ribeira"** The tensor size is  $203 \times 268 \times 33$  of the rank  $\mathbf{r} = (15, 15, 6)$ , and OS are 11 and 22.
- **R2: MovieLens-10M** 71567 users and 10681 movies with 10000054 ratings by splitting into 7-days wide bins results in the tensor of size  $71567 \times 10681 \times 731$ .



R1: Ribeira		OS = 11		OS = 22	
Algorithm	Time	MSE on $\Gamma$		Time	MSE on $\Gamma$
Proposed	<b>33 ± 13</b>	<b>8.2095</b>	<b>1.7 · 10<sup>-5</sup></b>	67 ± 43	<b>6.9516</b> · 10 <sup>-4</sup> ± <b>1.1</b> · 10 <sup>-5</sup>
geomCG	36 ± 14	3.8342	4.2 · 10 <sup>-2</sup>	150 ± 48	6.2590 · 10 <sup>-3</sup> ± 4.5 · 10 <sup>-3</sup>
HaLRTC	46 ± 0	2.2671	3.6 · 10 <sup>-5</sup>	48 ± 0	1.3880 · 10 <sup>-3</sup> ± 2.7 · 10 <sup>-5</sup>
TOpt	80 ± 32	1.7854	3.8 · 10 <sup>-4</sup>	<b>27 ± 21</b>	2.1259 · 10 <sup>-3</sup> ± 3.8 · 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Latent	553 ± 3	2.9296	6.4 · 10 <sup>-5</sup>	558 ± 3	1.6339 · 10 <sup>-3</sup> ± 2.3 · 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Hard	400 ± 5	6.5090	6.1 · 10 <sup>-1</sup>	402 ± 4	6.5989 · 10 <sup>2</sup> ± 9.8 · 10 <sup>1</sup>
R2: MovieLens-10M		Proposed		geomCG	
r	Time	MSE on $\Gamma$		Time	MSE on $\Gamma$
(4, 4, 4)	<b>1748 ± 441</b>	<b>0.6762</b>	<b>1.5</b> · 10 <sup>-3</sup>	2981 ± 40	0.6956 ± 2.8 · 10 <sup>-3</sup>
(6, 6, 6)	<b>6058 ± 47</b>	<b>0.6913</b>	<b>3.3</b> · 10 <sup>-3</sup>	6554 ± 655	0.7398 ± 7.1 · 10 <sup>-3</sup>
(8, 8, 8)	<b>11370 ± 103</b>	<b>0.7589</b>	<b>7.1</b> · 10 <sup>-3</sup>	13853 ± 118	0.8955 ± 3.3 · 10 <sup>-2</sup>
(10, 10, 10)	<b>32802 ± 52</b>	<b>1.0107</b>	<b>2.7</b> · 10 <sup>-2</sup>	38145 ± 36	1.6550 ± 8.7 · 10 <sup>-2</sup>