Tensor Methods and Emerging Applications to the Physical and Data Sciences

Scientific Overview

Linear algebra is an essential tool in mathematics, science, and engineering, as almost all natural processes are linear in small increments. The most natural generalization of linear algebra is multilinear algebra where matrices are replaced by tensors. It describes natural phenomena where the variation is linear if we keep all but one factor constant. Furthermore, tensors and multilinear algebra emerge from discretization of multivariate functions – one can simply view the grid values as coefficients of a multivariate tensor.

While exciting results have emerged from various research communities, there has not been much exchange and collaboration between theoreticians and developers of practical algorithms. The aim of this long term program is to bring together experts and junior participants from different fields and experiences, to exchange ideas, tackle challenges, collaborate, and advances the general field of tensor methods. We foresee this program to be a milestone platform for the future development of the research area and to have a long standing impact.

Long Program Schedule

- Tensor Methods and Emerging Applications to the Physical and Data Sciences Tutorials. March 9-12, 2021.

Organizers

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Participation

This long program will involve senior and junior researchers from several communities relevant to this program. You may apply for financial support to participate in the entire fourteen-week program, or a portion of it. We prefer participants who stay for the entire program. Applications will be accepted through November 30, 2020, but offers may be made up to one year before the start date. We urge you to apply early. Mathematicians and scientists at all levels who are interested in this area of research are encouraged to apply for funding. Supporting the careers of women and minority researchers is an important component of IPAM’s mission and we welcome their applications. More information and an application is available online.

For more information, visit the program webpage: www.ipam.ucla.edu/tm2021