

# SOLD: Sub-Optimal Low-rank Decomposition for Efficient Video Segmentation

## Supplemental material

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### 1. Alternating optimization in SOLD

The objective function of SOLD is

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{E}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{XAB} - \mathbf{E}\|_F^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{E}\|_1 + \frac{\beta}{2} \|\mathbf{AB}\|_F^2 + \gamma \text{tr}((\mathbf{AB})^T \mathbf{Q}), \quad (1)$$

We adopt the alternating optimization method to optimize Eq. 1, and denote

$$J(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{E}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{XAB} - \mathbf{E}\|_F^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{E}\|_1 + \frac{\beta}{2} \|\mathbf{AB}\|_F^2 + \gamma \text{tr}((\mathbf{AB})^T \mathbf{Q}). \quad (2)$$

Given  $\mathbf{E}$ , taking the derivative of  $J(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{E})$  w.r.t.  $\mathbf{B}$ , and setting it to zero, we obtain

$$-\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{XAB} - \mathbf{E}) + \beta \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{AB} + \gamma \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Q} = 0. \quad (3)$$

Eq. 3 can be rewritten as follows:

$$\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2, \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_1 &= \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \beta \mathbf{I}, \\ \mathbf{S}_2 &= (\mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - \gamma \mathbf{Q}). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

By substituting Eq. 4 back into Eq. 1, the subproblem on  $\mathbf{A}$  becomes

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}} \frac{1}{2} \|(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{XA}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2\|_F^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2\|_F^2 + \gamma \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_2^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{AS}_1^T \mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Q}). \quad (6)$$

Note that  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_F^2 = \text{tr}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\min_{\mathbf{A}} \text{tr}((\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - 2(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2 + \mathbf{S}_2^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{XX}^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \\ &\quad \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2) + \beta \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_2^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2) + 2\gamma \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_2^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{AS}_1^T \mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Q}). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Merging the third and the fourth term, we have

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}} \text{tr}((\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - 2(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2 + \mathbf{S}_2^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{S}_2) + 2\gamma \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_2^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{AS}_1^T \mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Q}). \quad (8)$$

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Substituting first  $\mathbf{S}_2$  to  $\mathbf{X}^T(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - \gamma\mathbf{Q}$  in the third term of Eq. 8 and employing  $tr(\mathbf{x}^T) = tr(\mathbf{x})$ , we obtain

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}} tr((\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_2 - \gamma\mathbf{Q}^T\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_2) + 2\gamma tr(\mathbf{S}_2^T\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}_1^T\mathbf{A}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{Q}), \quad (9)$$

and it equals to

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}} tr((\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_2 + \gamma\mathbf{Q}^T\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_2). \quad (10)$$

Thus, we have

$$\min_{\mathbf{A}} tr((\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E})^T(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}) - \mathbf{S}_2^T\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_2). \quad (11)$$

According to Eq. 11, we utilize the fact that  $tr(\mathbf{xy}) = tr(\mathbf{yx})$ , and solve  $\mathbf{A}$  by the following program:

$$\mathbf{A}^* = \arg \max_{\mathbf{A}} tr\{(\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{S}_2\mathbf{S}_2^T\mathbf{A}\}. \quad (12)$$

Eq. 12 can be transformed to a generalized eigen-problem. Its global optimal solution is the top  $r$  eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{S}_1^T\mathbf{S}_2\mathbf{S}_2^T$  corresponding to the nonzero eigenvalues, where  $\mathbf{S}_1^\dagger$  denotes the pseudo-inverse of  $\mathbf{S}_1$ .

Given  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , the matrix  $\mathbf{E}$  can be solved by the soft-threshold (or shrinkage) method in [1]:

$$\mathbf{E}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{E}} \lambda \|\mathbf{E}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{E} - (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{XAB})\|_F^2. \quad (13)$$

A sub-optimal solution can be obtained by alternating between the updating of  $\{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}\}$  and the updating of  $\mathbf{E}$

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