# Approximately Optimal Core Shapes for Tensor Decompositions 

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## Importance of Shape of Core Tensor



Figure: Pareto frontier of core shapes $\mathbf{r} \in[20]^{3}$ for hyperspectral tensor $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{1024 \times 1344 \times 33}$. RRE is $L(\mathcal{X}, \mathbf{r}) /\|\mathcal{X}\|_{\mathrm{F}}^{2}$. RRE-greedy adds to dimensions of $\mathbf{r}$ greedily. HOSVD-IP is our approach that uses integer programming and a surrogate packing problem on higher-order singular values.

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Given a tensor $\mathcal{T}$ and a budget $B>0$,

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## Integer Linear Programming Formulation

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\text { maximize } & \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{i_{n}=1}^{I_{n}} p_{i_{n}}^{(n)} x_{i_{n}}^{(n)} \\
\text { subject to } & \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{i_{n}=1}^{I_{n}} \log \left(i_{n}\right) x_{i_{n}}^{(n)} \leq \log \left(B_{1}\right) \\
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& \sum_{i_{n}=1}^{I_{n}} x_{i_{n}}^{(n)}=1 \quad \forall n \in[N] \\
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## Experiments














