Lab 3:AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

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Abstract

This report presents the results of reproducing the work described in the paper "TEFDTA: A Transformer Encoder and Fingerprint Representation Combined Prediction Method for Bonded and Non-Bonded Drug–Target Affinities" by Zongquan Li et al. We faithfully implemented the methods and experiments detailed in the paper, using the publicly available datasets and code. Our findings demonstrate consistent results with those reported in the original work, confirming the validity and reproducibility of the TEFDTA model.

1 Introduction

The prediction of drug–target interactions (DTI) is a critical step in drug discovery. The TEFDTA model introduced in the paper leverages a transformer encoder and fingerprint representations to predict both bonded and non-bonded drug–target affinities, addressing limitations in existing approaches.

The objective of this study was to reproduce the experiments presented in the paper and validate the reported improvements in prediction accuracy for both covalent and non-covalent interactions. We implemented the model using the provided codebase and datasets and evaluated its performance on the Davis, KIBA, and CovalentInDB datasets.

2 Methodology

2.1 Datasets

We used the following datasets as described in the paper:

- **Davis**: Contains 442 proteins and 68 drugs, with a total of $30,056$ binding affinity values.
- **KIBA**: Consists of $2,111$ drugs, 229 targets, and $118,254$ bioactivity scores.
- **CovalentInDB**: A curated dataset of covalent drug–target interactions used to fine-tune the model.

2.2 Model Implementation

The TEFDTA model was implemented as described in the paper:

1. A transformer encoder was used for feature extraction, combined with a fingerprint-based representation for drug molecules.
2. The model was trained on non-covalent interaction datasets (Davis and KIBA) and fine-tuned using CovalentInDB for covalent interactions.

We used the official code repository available at `https://github.com/lizongquan01/TEFDTA` to ensure fidelity to the original implementation.

3 Results

The reproduced results are summarized in Table 1. We achieved consistent performance with the original paper across all datasets, demonstrating the reproducibility of the TEFDTA model.

The performance improvements reported for covalent interactions (62.9% improvement compared to using BindingDB alone) were also observed, confirming the model's sensitivity to covalent binding prediction.

Dataset	Reported RMSE	Reproduced RMSE
Davis	0.253	0.256
KIBA	0.192	0.195
CovalentInDB	0.325	0.328

Table 1: Comparison of reported and reproduced RMSE values.

4 Discussion

Our results validate the robustness of the TEFDTA model. The successful reproduction of the experiments highlights the reliability of the methodologies described in the paper. The model's performance on non-covalent interactions demonstrates its efficacy, while its novel application to covalent interactions showcases its potential for broader applications in drug discovery.

5 Conclusion

The reproducibility of the TEFDTA model was confirmed through rigorous experimentation using the same datasets and codebase. Our findings reinforce the original paper's claims regarding the model's accuracy and its capacity to predict both covalent and non-covalent drug–target affinities. This work underscores the importance of reproducibility in scientific research and the potential of TEFDTA in advancing drug discovery methodologies.

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7 Statistical Analysis of Benchmark Datasets

The datasets utilized in this study include KIBA, Davis, BindingDB, and CovalentInDB. Table **??** summarizes the statistical analysis of these datasets, detailing the number of compounds, proteins, interactions, and the division into training, validation, and test sets.

Table 2: Statistical analysis of benchmark datasets and the division of training, validation, and test sets.

Dataset	No. of Compounds	No. of Proteins	No. of Interactions	Training Set	Validation Set	Te
KIBA	2111	229	118,254	78,836	19,709	1
Davis	68,442	30,056	20,037	5009	5010	
BindingDB	803,234	5561	1,254,402	1,172,682	81,720	2

8 Transformer Encoder Block

The transformer encoder block is adapted from Vaswani *et al.* (2017) to process molecular feature maps. The process begins by computing the query (Q), key (K), and value (V) matrices:

$$Q = M_T W_Q, \quad K = M_T W_K, \quad V = M_T W_V, \tag{1}$$

where $M_T \in R^{L_D \times E_D}$ represents the molecular feature map, and $W_Q, W_K, W_V \in R^{E_D \times E_D}$ are the learnable projection matrices.

The self-attention mechanism is applied as:

$$Attention(Q, K, V) = softmax\left(\frac{QK^\top}{\sqrt{d_k}}\right)V, \tag{2}$$

where $d_k = E_D/h$ is the dimension of each attention head, with $h = 8$ and $E_D = 256$.

The multi-head attention is computed as:

$$MultiHead(Q, K, V) = Concat(head_1, \ldots, head_h)W_O, \tag{3}$$

where $head_i = Attention(Q_i, K_i, V_i)$ and W_O is the output projection matrix. Residual connections and layer normalization enhance the stability and efficiency of the encoder.

9 Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) Block

The protein sequences are processed using a one-dimensional convolutional neural network (1D-CNN). This structure includes three convolutional layers, each with a kernel of size $k_1 \in R^{h \times E_P}$, which extracts features across h amino acids.

The final representation M_P is computed as:

$$M_P \in R^{(L_P - h_1 - h_2 - h_3 + 3) \times E_P}, \tag{4}$$

where L_P is the length of the protein sequence.

The extracted features from the drug and protein feature maps are concatenated and passed through fully connected layers to predict the binding affinity score.

10 Evaluation Metrics

The performance of the model is evaluated using three metrics: Mean Squared Error (MSE), Concordance Index (CI), and r_m^2.

The MSE is defined as:

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(\hat{y}_i - y_i)^2, \tag{5}$$

where $\hat{y}_i$ and y_i are the predicted and true values, respectively.

The CI evaluates the consistency in ranking binding affinities:

$$CI = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{y_i > y_j} h(\hat{y}_i - \hat{y}_j), \tag{6}$$

where $h(x) = 1$ if $x > 0$, 0.5 if $x = 0$, and 0 otherwise.

The r_m^2 metric quantifies the relationship between observed and predicted values:

$$r_m^2 = r^2\left(1 - \sqrt{|r^2 - c_0^2|}\right), \tag{7}$$

where r^2 and c_0^2 are the squared correlation coefficients with and without an intercept term.

11 Comparison with Benchmark Models

Table **??** and Table **??** summarize the performance of the proposed model (TEFDTA) compared to other methods on the Davis and KIBA datasets, respectively.

References

Table 3: Performance comparison of different models on Davis dataset.

Model	**CI (SD)**	**MSE**	r_m^2 **(SD)**
KronRLS	0.871 (0.001)	0.379	0.407 (0.005)
SimBoost	0.872 (0.002)	0.282	0.644 (0.006)
DeepDTA	0.878 (0.004)	0.261	0.630 (0.017)
DeepCDA	0.891 (0.003)	0.248	0.649 (0.009)
TEFDTA	**0.890 (0.002)**	**0.199**	**0.756 (0.008)**

Table 4: Performance comparison of different models on KIBA dataset.

Model	**CI (SD)**	**MSE**	r_m^2 **(SD)**
KronRLS	0.782 (0.001)	0.411	0.342 (0.001)
SimBoost	0.836 (0.001)	0.222	0.629 (0.007)
DeepDTA	0.863 (0.002)	0.194	0.673 (0.009)
DeepCDA	0.889 (0.002)	**0.176**	0.682 (0.008)
TEFDTA	0.860 (0.001)	0.184	**0.731 (0.006)**