

# Laplacian Multiset Canonical Correlation Analysis (LapMCCA)

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Multiview Learning

Multi-view learning is an emerging direction in machine learning which considers learning with multiple views to improve the generalization performance. Multi-view learning is also known as data fusion or data integration from multiple feature sets.

### 1.2 MCCA

MCCA (Multi-set Canonical Correlation Analysis) is a powerful technique for analyzing linear relationships between more (than two) sets of random variables. Up to now, researchers have developed many models for MCCA based on different criterion functions and constraints. The following form is regarded as a natural and direct extension of CCA, which has been applied to multiview learning.

Specifically, given  $m$  zero-mean random vectors  $\{x_i \in \mathcal{R}^{d_i}\}$  for  $i=1,2,\dots,m$ , a set of linear projection directions  $\{\alpha_i \in \mathcal{R}^{d_i}\}$  for  $i=1,2,\dots,m$ , is found by maximizing the sum of pair-wise correlations between the projected variables  $\{\alpha_i^T x_i\}$  for  $i=1,2,\dots,m$ , as follows:

$$\rho(\tilde{\alpha}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_i^T S_{ij} \alpha_j$$

where  $\tilde{\alpha}^T = (\alpha_1^T, \alpha_2^T, \dots, \alpha_m^T)$ ,  $S_{ii}$  is the within-set covariance matrix of vector  $x_i$ , and  $S_{ij}(i \neq j)$  is the between-set covariance matrix between vectors  $x_i$  and  $x_j$ .

### 1.3 LapMCC

LapMCC algorithm assumes that sample points are linearly correlated within local neighborhood, which is intuitively reasonable. With the assumption, the globally nonlinear problem from multiple data spaces can naturally be decomposed into multiple locally linear sub-problems. Thus, the LapMCC algorithm can discover the nonlinear correlation information of the input spaces by combining these locally linear sub-problems together.

# Chapter 2

## Mathematical Formulation

### 2.1 Formulation

Since our LapMCC algorithm is fundamentally based on the locality idea, we first construct the nearest neighbor affinity graph for each view. Then, we build the local within-view and between-view correlations for the LapMCC model using the equivalent description of MCCA.

#### 2.1.1 The nearest neighbor affinity graph

For  $n$  sample points  $\{x_{i,1}, x_{i,2}, \dots, x_{i,n}\}$  from the  $i$ th view  $X_i$ , we build a  $p$ -nearest neighbor graph  $G_i$  with  $n$  vertices, where each vertex corresponds to a sample point  $x_{i,j}$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,m$ ,  $j=1,2,\dots,n$ . For each point  $x_{i,j}$ , we find its  $p$  nearest neighbors in the same class and put edges between  $x_{i,j}$  and its neighbors. Currently, there are many choices to define the weight matrix  $W_i=(w_{jk}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  on graph  $G_i$ . Four of the most widely used are as follows:

- **0–1 Weighting:**  $w_{jk}^i=1$  if there is an edge between sample points  $x_j^i$  and  $x_k^i$ , and  $w_{jk}^i=0$  otherwise.
- **Heat Kernel Weighting:** If there is an edge between sample points  $x_j^i$  and  $x_k^i$ ,  $w_{jk}^i = e^{-\|x_j^i - x_k^i\|^2 / 2\sigma^2}$ , and  $w_{jk}^i = 0$  otherwise.
- **Cosine Similarity Weighting:** If there is an edge between sample points  $x_j^i$  and  $x_k^i$ ,  $w_{jk}^i = \frac{x_j^T x_k}{\|x_j\| \cdot \|x_k\|}$ , and  $w_{jk}^i = 0$  otherwise.
- **Dot-Product Weighting:** If there is an edge between sample points  $x_j^i$  and  $x_k^i$ ,  $w_{jk}^i = x_j^T x_k$ , and  $w_{jk}^i = 0$  otherwise.

Here we will use cosine similarity weighting.

#### 2.1.2 Characterize the local within-view correlation

The local within-view correlation can be characterized from the  $p$ -nearest neighbor graph  $G(i)$  with the term

$$\rho_{ii}^L = \alpha_i^T S_{ii}^L \alpha_i$$

where  $S_{ii}^L$  is referred to as local within-view covariance matrix and

$$S_{ii}^L = \frac{1}{n^2} X^i L^i X^{iT}$$

where  $L^i = D^i - W^i$  is called the Laplacian matrix and  $D^i = \text{diag}(d_{11}^i, d_{22}^i, \dots, d_{nn}^i)$  where  $d_{jj}^i = \sum_{k=1}^n w_{jk}^i$

### 2.1.3 Characterize the local between-view correlation

Similarly, the local within-view correlation can be characterized from the p-nearest neighbor graph  $G(i)$  with the term

$$\rho_{ij}^L = \alpha_i^T S_{ij}^L \alpha_j$$

where  $S_{ij}^L$  is referred to as local between-view covariance matrix and

$$S_{ij}^L = \frac{1}{n^2} X^i L^{ij} X^{jT}$$

where  $L^{ij} = D^{ij} - W^{ij}$  is called the Laplacian matrix and  $D^{ij} = \text{diag}(d_{11}^{ij}, d_{22}^{ij}, \dots, d_{nn}^{ij})$  where  $d_{kk}^{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n w_{kt}^{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n w_{kt}^i w_{kt}^j$  and  $W^{ij} = W^i \circ W^j$  and the operator  $\circ$  is defined as  $(W^i \circ W^j)_{kt} = w_{kt}^i w_{kt}^j$

### 2.1.4 Model and Solution of LapMCC

With the step 2 and 3 we can now construct LapMCC model as follows:

$$\max J(\tilde{\alpha}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_i^T S_{ij}^L \alpha_j$$

$$\text{s.t. } \alpha_i^T S_{ii}^L \alpha_i = 1, i=1,2,3\dots m$$

Now with the Lagrange multiplier technique, the optimization model can be equivalently transformed into the following Lagrangian function:

$$F(\tilde{\alpha}, \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_i^T S_{ij}^L \alpha_j - \lambda \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i^T S_{ii}^L \alpha_i - 1 \right)$$

With  $\lambda$  as the Lagrange multiplier. Let  $\partial F / \partial \alpha_i = 0$ , then we have:

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \alpha_i} = 2 \sum_{j=1}^m S_{ij}^L \alpha_j - 2\lambda S_{ii}^L \alpha_i = 0, i=1,2,\dots,m.$$

After some operation, we get m equations as:

$$S^L \tilde{\alpha} = \lambda S_D^L \tilde{\alpha}$$

where  $S^L \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  is a block matrix with (i, j)th block-element as  $S_{ij}^L$ , and  $S_D^L = \text{diag}(S_{11}^L, S_{22}^L, \dots, S_{mm}^L) \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ ,  $d = \sum_{i=1}^m d_i$  and hence we get generalized eigenvalue problem.

Now if  $S_D^L$  is singular matrix we regularize it as:

$$S_D^L \leftarrow S_D^L + \delta I$$

Where  $I$  is Identity matrix and  $\delta$  is a small positive number and chosen as 0.001.

If not then, projection directions can be selected as the generalized eigenvectors  $\{\tilde{\alpha}_k^T = (\alpha_{1k}^T, \alpha_{2k}^T, \dots, \alpha_{mk}^T)\}_{k=1}^h$  corresponding to the top  $h$  eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_h$ .

After obtaining  $h$  sets of projection directions,  $m$  projection matrices for  $m$  views,  $\{P_i = (\alpha_{i1}, \alpha_{i2}, \dots, \alpha_{ih})\}_{i=1}^m$  can be formed to perform MDR by the form of  $P_1^T X^1, P_2^T X^2, \dots, P_m^T X^m$  for classification tasks.

# Chapter 3

## Algorithm

### 3.1 LapMCCA

#### Input:

1.  $m$  different view from the same  $n$  objects are given as  $X = \{X^i\}_{i=1}^m$  where  $X^i = (x_1^i, x_2^i, \dots, x_n^i)$  with  $x_1^i \in R^{d_i}$  data matrix of the  $i$ th view containing  $d_i$  dimensional sample vectors in its coloumn
2. vector set given by  $\{x_j^i\}_{i=1}^m$  containing labels from  $1, 2, \dots, c$  for the  $c$  classes and  $j=1, 2, \dots, n$

#### Step 1: Construct p- nearest neighbour graphs:

In each view, for any two sample node in the same class compute the weight matrix for the graph using cosine similarity weighting.

#### Step 2: Compute local variance matrices:

Compute local variance matrices with the formula mentioned in 2.1.2 and 2.1.3

#### Step 3: Solving the generalized eigen-equation:

Compute a set of top  $h$  eigen vectors corresponding to the top  $h$  eigen values to form  $m$  projection matrices.

#### Step 4: Projecting Samples:

For a given multiview sample perform MDR .

#### Step 5: Fusing low dimensional representation:

Use the fusion strategy given below to integrate  $m$   $h$ -dimensional feature vectors of multiview sample  $x$  for recognition.

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^m P_i^T x^i = P^T x$$

Where  $P^T = (P_1^T, P_2^T, \dots, P_m^T)$ . The low-dimensional representation  $y$  is used to represent the multiview sample  $x$  for classification tasks.



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