

MATH 7207 – Algorithms for Optimization

Mini-project Proposal Form

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Project description.

Implement one of the projected gradient descent algos for non-negative matrix factorization discussed in the paper <https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~cjlin/papers/pgradnmf.pdf>.

Inputs and outputs

Input: a matrix (size $m * n$) image data from :Patrik O. Hoyer. Non-negative matrix factorization with sparseness constraints. Journal of Machine Learning Research, 5:1457–1469, 2004.

Output: two matrices (size $m * r$ and $r * n$), also reform the original matrix.

Solution algorithm.

First, initialize two matrix W , H with each element > 0 .

Then optimize it until it converge to the original matrix.

Decide on the converge criteria.

Corner cases

Some of the input data may have elements that is equal to 0. This needs special treatment to make it positive.

Testing

Compare the reform picture or the reform matrix to the original matrix.