

WORK EXPLORATION ON GENE SEQUENCING WITH SINGLE CELL

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ABSTRACT

Analysis on single-cell usually combines the process of RNA sequences with signal processing pipelines, including preprocessing with normalization, correction, feature selection, dimension reduction and transformation, cellular and genetic scale analysis. In this exploration, I started from the basic signal preprocessing skills conduction and later applied the clustering, PCA analysis, t-NSE to have a better understanding of the cellular data. Finally, more works are on basis of single cell sequencing techniques, on temporal scale, pseudotime analysis is analysed. Meanwhile, the prediction of the cells helping with the detection of cell-line of differentiation and reprogramming is also conducted with sigmoid regression.

1. PREPROCESSING

The processing of the genetic and cellular data is conducted on python. The dataset are downloaded from some open database. For instance, the UCI online sites and UK gene bank. In this work, major work are conducted on the gene expressions, TF and micro-array data.

1.1. Data obtain and cleaning with descriptive statistics

As the genetic and cellular data are downloaded from the open database recorded by institutions with clinically or with research aim in the lab. The error introduced by device and measurements cannot be ignored. The first step as usual is to have a general understanding of its descriptive information. For instances, the dimensions, mean and variance and counts. Such descriptive statistics nowadays can be achieved easily using statistical functions. I used pandas as the tool to start the clean of the data. After replacing the NAN and removing some outliers, the data is again checked with descriptive statistics which leads to normalization and dimension reduction. TF is computed as well to track the gene expression over time and profile the cell fate of different cells from the ESC state. Usually, the predictivity of TFs can be used as markers of a cell fate and are potential candidates for reprogramming protocols.

	GENEID_N	TFID_N	TFID_N	TFID_N
count	1877.000000	1877.000000	1877.000000	1877.000000
mean	0.425618	0.425618	0.425618	0.425618
std	0.243362	0.243362	0.243362	0.243362
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
max	1.000000	1.000000	1.000000	1.000000

Fig. 1. Descriptive statistics

1.2. dimension reduction and feature selection

Genetic data are usually of high dimension since one groups of genes are usually related with not only one cell but also other cells and other groups of gene sequences, the reduction of the dimensions are required as a common process. For this work, the dimension reduction is conducted through the PCA analysis. As the statistics under PCA is also based on variance, and the choice of the principal component is computed with statistics which is also related to time-bins and fft process as well. In my work the analysis conducted combining cross interaction analysis as well. Different algorithm usually use different methods to decide the dimension and features for further process. As for some methods based on determinant matrices, the important factors are kept with determinant quantities and statistics. Of course, even for stocastics method, the reduce of the factor is also based on some statistics which is seen as deterministic however, realized with approximation, and estimation on distribution for instance. For my work, I also tried the tsne method to reduce the dimension and select the features with embedding networks. It is computed on the measure of energy and distances. (combining K-L distance and fourier transform.) Through setting the metric as euclidean distance and random state included with 10 jobs for each batch, the tsne training is conducted after the PCA with embedding.

2. CLASSIFICATION AND CLUSTERING

After the PCA initialized with standard statistics, the tsne is conducted with embedding network. As the result, the 60000 training data is classified into 10 classes with supervised learning. (The biomarkers of genes are also classified with differentiative private GANs.) Then, I also tried some basic method to cluster the data. For clustering, the learning is not based on labels (ground truth). More methods used the

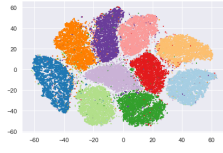


Fig. 2. training with tsne

computation of the distance as well. The first method I tried is the KNN which cluster the samples with the k-fold nearest criteria. Usually, according to the property of the dataset, the cluster can be decided by computation of distance with continual data and voting with separate data. However, the most important thing is to decide the cluster number. (The starting point is not important for KNN though.) In my work, I use the WCSS which is also called the elbow method to decide the best cluster number. It is based on the gradient computation. The minimum point is found through iteration of the gradient. As can be seen in the result, the best cluster number is 4 and our cluster is quite fast which consumes less than 1 second on the laptop. For the next cluster method

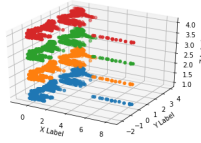


Fig. 3. KNN++

hierarchical clustering, the clustering is again based on the distance between two clusters with maximum cluster criteria. And with the transcribe of the last clustering, the distribution is shown as the dendrogram with 4 leaf nodes. The

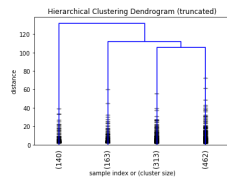


Fig. 4. hierarchical clustering

result show as the scatter plot also manifest the advantage of t-SNE which is a more advanced method since the genes are clustered into clusters not only based on distance but also other information. However, as the differentiation and reprogramming of the single cell is usually studied on more refined level, which requires the biomarkers to be detected and thus their transcription factor can be computed to decompose the genes into groups which can lead to the evolution of

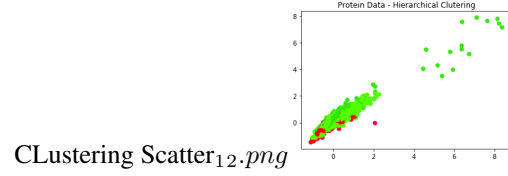
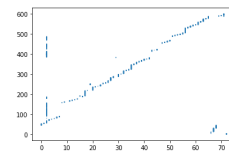


Fig. 5. hierarchical clustering

the cells later. The biomarkers are classified with dp-GANs in my work. The encoding and decoding part of the GANs makes it unique in its competitive system. The generator generates the data against the classification of the discriminators while the discriminator tries its best to classify the data according to the ground truth. GANs is usually a supervised method in classification tasks. Unlike dc-GANs and other classifiers based on convolutional network, the convergence of the generator is realized through satisfying privacy budget. The weight computation is literally applied with differentiation method which is different from those stochastic model with iteration or approximation using distribution on random resampled data or information inference based on priors. The criteria is calculated analytically using differentiation knowledge. As a result, the biomarkers are classified into 4 classes.

3. PREDICTION WITH SIGMOID REGRESSION

Last we predict the differentiation of ESC using 9 critical cells with more than 1700 genes involved. As the raw data records 64 cells in all using micro array, we conduct the feature selection with the TF matrix. The unrelated or outliers are excluded from computation first. And through the gradient search, we find the best TF dynamically with the micro-array data on pseudotime analysis. With the GSE and



GSM coordinates recorded (Shown as the cell trajectory 2D), we analyse the expression of the cell and genes on pseudotime. As we further use the TF to regress the cell evolution, with the label given with 9 cells, at A1 cell line, we manage to detect the differentiation time and predict the TF of them dynamically with sigmoid function which maximizes the likelihood after logarithm. Through minimizing the loss-value, the gradient leads to minimum (although only local minimum is calculated) point and we successfully predict the 9 cell's expression and thus their TF at A1 cell line.

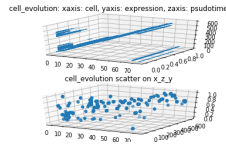


Fig. 7. evolution on pseudotime

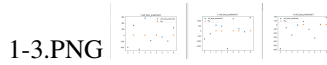


Fig. 8. cell expression prediction

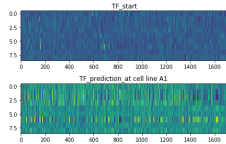


Fig. 9. TF predictivity

Using the TF achieved with highest accuracy, the evolution of the 9 cells related to A1 cell line is analyzed on pseudotime. Notice that, most of the genes are kept normalized

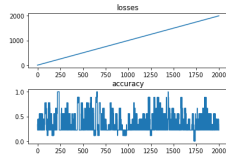


Fig. 10. prediction accuracy

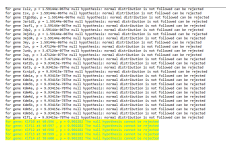


Fig. 11. distribution of the genes

distributed and thus we have our MLE matrices following chisquare distribution. And the whole processing is based on the gene data shuffled with permutation test as well. As our data achieved in lab is cultured on MEA and the research of interest is the epilepsy. I basically focus more on ESC and which express the MAP, TUBB3 and etc. Those cells data are usually sampled at cortex and hippocampus. —

4. SUMMARY

TO summarize, the analysis on single cell can be conducted combined with machine learning and signal processing techniques well. Through preprocessing, we get better distributed data with lower dimension and more determinant features. Thus, the differentiation, classification and reprogramming can be conducted better later on either pseudotime analysis or expression prediction. The TF is one useful quantity defining the cell evolution with its relation between time, space and gene encoding information. In the future, I would like to apply more analysis on pseudo time and explore more analysis techniques with single cell RNA sequencing maybe. Of course, machine learning will always be of one useful assistant tool. As the landscape model describes the encoding of differentiation and reprogramming using only four TFs, I would like to explore more on realted model in the future and try the prediction and detection on 4 TF only. Although the cell of my interest is related to ESC rather than NSC and NPC. —

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