

Supplementary file of 'Multi-typed Objects Multi-view Multi-instance Multi-label Learning'

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I. OPTIMIZATION

We alternatively consider three of them as constants and optimize the other one in the (1) about variable $\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r$ and \mathbf{W}^h . Before elaborating on the updating rule, we introduce the Lagrangian multipliers $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^m$ for $\mathbf{G}_i \geq 0$, and reformulate the objective function of M4L-JMF as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{G} \geq 0} \Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h, \lambda) = & \sum_{i,j=1}^m \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \|\mathbf{R}_{ij} - \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T\|_F^2 \\ & + \|\mathbf{R}_{bm} - \mathbf{R}_{bi} \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{im} \mathbf{G}_m^T\|_F^2 \\ & + \sum_{p=1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \text{tr}(\mathbf{G}_p^T \Theta_p^{(t)} \mathbf{G}_p) \\ & + \alpha \|\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)\|_F^2 + \beta \|\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h)\|_F^2 \\ & - \sum_{i=1}^m \text{tr}(\lambda_i \mathbf{G}_i^T) s.t. \mathbf{W}^r \geq 0, \\ & \mathbf{W}^h \geq 0, \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_i^r) = 1, \\ & \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_i^h) = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

The iterative updating rules for \mathbf{G} and \mathbf{S} follow the idea in [1], [2]. We approximate $\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{im} \mathbf{G}_m^T$ to \mathbf{R}_{im} , and reformulate the objective function of M4L-JMF as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{G} \geq 0} \Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h, \lambda) = & \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \text{tr}((\mathbf{R}_{ij} - \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T)^T (\mathbf{R}_{ij} \\ & - \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T)) + \|\mathbf{R}_{bm} - \mathbf{R}_{bi} \mathbf{R}_{im}\|_F^2 \\ & + \sum_{p=1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \text{tr}(\mathbf{G}_p^T \Theta_p^{(t)} \mathbf{G}_p) \\ & + \alpha \|\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)\|_F^2 + \beta \|\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h)\|_F^2 \\ & - \sum_{i=1}^m \text{tr}(\lambda_i \mathbf{G}_i^T) s.t. \mathbf{W}^r \geq 0, \\ & \mathbf{W}^h \geq 0, \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_i^r) = 1, \\ & \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_i^h) = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Suppose \mathbf{G} , \mathbf{W}^r and \mathbf{W}^h are known, to obtain the optimal \mathbf{S}_{ij} (if $\mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$), we can take the partial derivative of $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h, \lambda)$ with respect to \mathbf{S}_{ij} :

$$\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mathbf{S}_{ij}} = \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r (-2\mathbf{G}_i^T \mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j + 2\mathbf{G}_i^T \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j) \quad (3)$$

Let $\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mathbf{S}_{ij}} = 0$, we can get:

$$\mathbf{S}_{ij} = (\mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{G})^{-1} \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G} (\mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{G})^{-1} \quad (4)$$

Same way, suppose \mathbf{S} , \mathbf{W}^r and \mathbf{W}^h are known, the partial derivative of $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h, \lambda)$ with respect to \mathbf{G}_i is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mathbf{G}_i} = & \sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} (-2\mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T + 2\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T) \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \\ & + \sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{ji} \in \mathbb{R}} (-2\mathbf{R}_{ji} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji} + 2\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T) \mathbf{W}_{ji}^r \\ & + \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} 2\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \Theta_i^{(t)} \mathbf{G}_i - \lambda_i \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Multipliers λ_i can be obtained from (5) by letting $\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mathbf{G}_i} = 0$. The KKT (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker) complementary condition [3] for nonnegativity of \mathbf{G}_i is:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \lambda_i \circ \mathbf{G}_i \\ = & [\sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} (-2\mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T + 2\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T) \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \\ & + \sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{ji} \in \mathbb{R}} (-2\mathbf{R}_{ji} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji} + 2\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T) \mathbf{W}_{ji}^r \\ & + \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} 2\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \Theta_i^{(t)} \mathbf{G}_i] \circ \mathbf{G}_i \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where \circ denotes the Hadamard product. Equation (6) is a fixed point equation and the solution must satisfy it at convergence. We can let

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_i^{(t)} = & [\Theta_i^{(t)}]^+ - [\Theta_i^{(t)}]^- \\ \mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T = & (\mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^+ - (\mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^- \\ \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T = & (\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^+ - (\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^- \\ \mathbf{R}_{ji} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T = & (\mathbf{R}_{ji} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T)^+ - (\mathbf{R}_{ji} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T)^- \\ \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji} = & (\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji})^+ - (\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ji}^T \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ji})^- \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_i^{(e)} = & \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r (\mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^+ + \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \mathbf{G}_i (\mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^- \\ \mathbf{G}_i^{(d)} = & \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r (\mathbf{R}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^- + \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \mathbf{G}_i (\mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^+ \\ \mathbf{G}_j^{(e)} = & \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r (\mathbf{R}_{ij}^T \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij})^+ + \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \mathbf{G}_j (\mathbf{S}_{ij}^T \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^- \\ \mathbf{G}_j^{(d)} = & \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r (\mathbf{R}_{ij}^T \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij})^- + \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \mathbf{G}_j (\mathbf{S}_{ij}^T \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij}^T)^+ \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_i^{(e)} + & = \mathbf{W}^h [\Theta_i^{(t)}]^- \mathbf{G}_i \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ \mathbf{G}_i^{(d)} + & = \mathbf{W}^h [\Theta_i^{(t)}]^- \mathbf{G}_i \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where the matrices with positive and negative symbols are defined as $\mathbf{A}^+ = \frac{|\mathbf{A}|+\mathbf{A}}{2}$ and $\mathbf{A}^- = \frac{|\mathbf{A}|-\mathbf{A}}{2}$ respectively. We then update \mathbf{G} as:

$$\mathbf{G} \leftarrow \mathbf{G} \odot \text{diag}\left(\sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{G}_1^{(e)}}{\mathbf{G}_1^{(d)}}}, \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{G}_2^{(e)}}{\mathbf{G}_2^{(d)}}}, \dots, \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{G}_m^{(e)}}{\mathbf{G}_m^{(d)}}}\right) \quad (10)$$

where \odot means the Hadamard product. The $\sqrt{\cdot}$ and \div are entry-wise operations. After updating \mathbf{S} and \mathbf{G} , we view them as known and take the partial derivative of $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h, \boldsymbol{\lambda})$ with respect to \mathbf{W}^r and \mathbf{W}^h . Firstly, we introduce the optimization about \mathbf{W}^r . In this case, the second, the third and the fifth terms on the right of (2) are irrelevant to \mathbf{W}^r , and can be ignored. Then we can obtain.

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Omega}(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r) &= \sum_{i,j=1}^m \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \|\mathbf{R}_{ij} - \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T\|_F^2 \\ &+ \alpha \|\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)\|_F^2 \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{W}^r \geq 0, \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_{ij}^r) = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Let $\mathbf{H}_{ij} = \|\mathbf{R}_{ij} - \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{ij} \mathbf{G}_j^T\|_F^2$ be the reconstruction loss for \mathbf{R}_{ij} then (11) can be updated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Omega}(\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{W}^r) &= \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)^T \text{vec}(\mathbf{H}) + \alpha \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)^T \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r) \\ \text{s.t. } \mathbf{W}^r &\geq 0, \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r) = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Equation (12) is a quadratic optimization problem with respect to $\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)$. By introducing the Lagrangian multipliers ($\phi \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and γ) for the constraints of \mathbf{W}^r , (12) is formulated as:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Omega}(\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{W}^r, \phi, \gamma) &= \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)^T \text{vec}(\mathbf{H}) + \alpha \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)^T \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r) \\ &- \sum_{i,j=1}^m \phi_{ij} \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r - \gamma \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^m \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r - 1 \right) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Based on the KKT conditions, the optimal \mathbf{W}^r should satisfy the following four conditions:

- (i) Stationary condition: $\frac{\partial \tilde{\Omega}}{\partial \mathbf{W}^r} = \mathbf{H} + 2\alpha \mathbf{W}^r - \phi - \gamma = \mathbf{0}$
- (ii) Feasible condition: $\mathbf{W}^r \geq 0, \sum_{i,j=1}^m \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r - 1 = 0$
- (iii) Dual feasibility: $\phi_{ij} \geq 0, \forall \mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$
- (iv) Complementary slackness: $\phi_{ij} \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r = 0, \forall \mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$

From the stationary condition, \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r can be computed as:

$$\mathbf{W}_{ij}^r = \frac{\phi_{ij} + \gamma - \mathbf{H}_{ij}}{2\alpha} \quad (14)$$

We can find that \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r depends on the specification of ϕ_{ij} and γ , which can be analyzed in the following cases:

- 1) If $\gamma > \mathbf{H}_{ij}$, then $\mathbf{W}_{ij}^r > 0$; we get $\phi_{ij} = 0$ by complementary slackness, then $\mathbf{W}_{ij}^r = \gamma - \mathbf{H}_{ij} 2\alpha$;
- 2) If $\gamma \leq \mathbf{H}_{ij}$, we get $\mathbf{W}_{ij}^r = 0$ because of $\phi_{ij} \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r = 0$ and $\mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \geq 0, \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r \geq 0$, it requires $\phi_{ij} > 0$;

So we can let \mathbf{W}_{ij}^r as:

$$\mathbf{W}_{ij}^r = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma - \mathbf{H}_{ij}}{2\alpha}, & \text{if } \phi - \mathbf{H}_{ij} > 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \\ 0, & \text{if } \phi - \mathbf{H}_{ij} \leq 0 \text{ or } \mathbf{R}_{ij} \notin \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

Algorithm 1 Seek h and compute $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}$

Input: \mathbf{V}_H, α

Output: $h, \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}$

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1: Initialize  $h = |\mathbb{R}|, \gamma = 0$ .
2: while  $h > 0$  do
3:    $\gamma \leftarrow (2\alpha + \sum_{h'=1}^h \mathbf{V}_H(h'))/h$ .
4:   if  $\gamma - \mathbf{V}_H(h) > 0$  then
5:     break.
6:   else
7:      $h \leftarrow h - 1$ .
8:   end if
9: end while
10:  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}(h') \leftarrow (\gamma - \mathbf{V}_H(h))/2\alpha$ , for  $h' = 1, \dots, h$ 
11:  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}(h') \leftarrow 0$ , for  $h' = h + 1, \dots, |\mathbb{R}|$ 
12: return  $h, \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}$ .
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Let $\mathbf{V}_H \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathbb{R}|}$ store the entries of vector $\text{vec}(\mathbf{H})$ in ascending order with entries corresponding to $\mathbf{R}_{ij} \notin \mathbb{R}$ removed. Accordingly, $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathbb{R}|}$ stores the corresponding entries of vector $\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^r)$ with entries corresponding to $\mathbf{R}_{ij} \notin \mathbb{R}$ removed. For a not too big predefined α , there exists $h \in \{1, 2, \dots, |\mathbb{R}|\}$ with $\mathbf{V}_H(h+1) \geq \gamma$ and $\mathbf{V}_H(h) < \gamma$, satisfying $\sum \mathbf{V}_H = \sum_{\mathbf{V}_H(h) < \gamma} \frac{\gamma - \mathbf{V}_H(h)}{2\alpha} = 1$, then $\mathbf{V}_H(h')$ has the following explicit solution:

$$\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}(h') = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma - \mathbf{H}_{ij}}{2\alpha}, & \text{if } h' \leq h \\ 0, & \text{if } h' > h \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

From $\sum_{h'=1}^{|\mathbb{R}|} \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}(h') = \sum_{h'=1}^h \frac{\gamma - \mathbf{V}_H(h)}{2\alpha} = 1$, we can get the value for γ as:

$$\gamma = \frac{2\alpha + \sum_{h'=1}^h \mathbf{V}_H(h')}{h} \quad (17)$$

From the solution of $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}(h')$, we observe that, if $\mathbf{V}_H^r(h')$ is smaller than $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{W}^r}(h')$ and $\gamma - \mathbf{V}_H(h')$ then a larger weight is assigned to the relational data source corresponding to $\mathbf{V}_H(h')$ than to $\mathbf{V}_H(h')$ because the data matrix of the former data source can be more well approximated than the latter. To find h that satisfies $\gamma - \mathbf{V}_H(h) > 0$ and $\gamma - \mathbf{V}_H(h+1) \leq 0$, we decrease h from $|\mathbb{R}|$ to 1 step by step, and the procedure is summarized in **Algorithm 1**. It's the same way that calculate and update \mathbf{W}^h . we find that the first, the second and the fourth terms on the right of (1) are irrelevant to \mathbf{W}^h , and can be ignored. Then we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Omega}(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^h) &= + \sum_{p=1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \text{tr}(\mathbf{G}_p^T \boldsymbol{\Theta}_p^{(t)} \mathbf{G}_p) \\ &+ \beta \|\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h)\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^m \text{tr}(\lambda_i \mathbf{G}_i^T) \text{s.t. } \mathbf{W}^h \geq 0, \\ &\sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_i^h) = 1 \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Let $\mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)} = \text{tr}(\mathbf{G}_p^T \boldsymbol{\Theta}_p^{(t)} \mathbf{G}_p)$ be intra-association constraints for \mathbf{G}_i , then (18) can be update as:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\Omega}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{W}^h) &= \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h)^T \text{vec}(\mathbf{Q}) + \beta \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h) \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h) \\ s.t. \mathbf{W}^h &\geq 0, \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_i^h) = 1\end{aligned}\quad (19)$$

Equation (19) is a quadratic optimization problem with respect to $\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h)$. By introducing the Lagrangian multipliers λ (and μ) for the constraints of \mathbf{W}^h , (19) is formulated as:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\Omega}(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{W}^h, \lambda, \mu) &= \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h)^T \text{vec}(\mathbf{Q}) + \beta \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h) \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h) \\ &\quad - \sum_{p=1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} \lambda_i^{(t)} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h - \mu \left(\sum_{p=1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h - 1 \right) \\ s.t. \mathbf{W}^h &\geq 0, \sum \text{vec}(\mathbf{W}_i^h) = 1\end{aligned}\quad (20)$$

Base on the KKT conditions, the optional \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h should meet the following four conditions:

- (i) Stationary condition: $\frac{\partial \tilde{\Omega}}{\partial \mathbf{W}^h} = \mathbf{Q} + 2\beta \mathbf{W}^h - \lambda - \mu = \mathbf{0}$
- (ii) Feasible condition: $\mathbf{W}^h \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h - 1 = 0$
- (iii) Dual feasibility: $\lambda_i^{(t)} \geq 0, \forall \Theta_i^{(t)}, t \leq \max_i t_i$
- (iv) Complementary slackness: $\lambda_i^{(t)} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \geq 0, \forall \Theta_i^{(t)}, t \leq \max_i t_i$

From the stationary condition, \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h can be computed as follows:

$$\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h = \frac{\lambda_i^{(t)} + \mu - \mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)}}{2\beta} \quad (21)$$

We can find that \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h depends on the specification of $\lambda_i^{(t)}$ and μ and the specification of $\lambda_i^{(t)}$ and μ can be analyzed in the following cases:

- 1) If $\mu > \mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)}$, then $\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h > 0$; we get $\lambda_i^{(t)} = 0$ by complementary slackness, then $\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h = \frac{\mu - \mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)}}{2\beta}$;
- 2) If $\mu \leq \mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)}$, we get $\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h = 0$ because of $\lambda_i^{(t)} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h = 0$ and $\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \geq 0, \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \geq 0$, it requires $\lambda_i^{(t)} > 0$;

From the above analysis, we can set \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h as:

$$\mathbf{W}_{pt}^h = \begin{cases} \frac{\mu - \mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)}}{2\beta}, & \text{if } \mu > \mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)} > 0 \text{ and } t \leq \max_i t_i \\ 0, & \text{if } \mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)} \leq 0 \text{ and } t > \max_i t_i \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

where $\mathbf{Q}_i^{(t)}$ is the number of cannot-link constraints for i -th type of objects in t -th intra-association matrix. Let V_Q store the entries of vector $\text{vec}(\mathbf{Q})$ in ascending order with entries corresponding to $\Theta_i^{(t)}, t > \max_i t_i$ removed. Accordingly, $V_{\mathbf{W}^h}$ stores the corresponding entries of $\text{vec}(\mathbf{W}^h)$ with entries corresponding to $\Theta_i^{(t)}, t > \max_i t_i$ removed. For a not too big predefined β , there exists $x \in \{1, 2, \dots, |\Theta|\}$, Θ is the number of intra-association matrices for all the types, with $V_Q(x) < \mu$ and $V_Q(x+1) \geq \mu$, $\sum V_Q =$

Algorithm 2 Seek x and compute $V_{\mathbf{W}^h}$

Input: V_Q, β

Output: $x, V_{\mathbf{W}^h}$

- 1: Initialize $x = |\Theta|, \mu = 0$.
 - 2: **while** $x > 0$ **do**
 - 3: update μ using (24).
 - 4: **if** $\mu - V_Q(x) > 0$ **then**
 - 5: break.
 - 6: **else**
 - 7: $x \leftarrow x - 1$.
 - 8: **end if**
 - 9: **end while**
 - 10: $V_{\mathbf{W}^h}(x') \leftarrow (\mu - V_Q(x'))/2\beta$, for $x' = 1, \dots, x$;
 - 11: $V(x') \leftarrow 0$, for $x' = x + 1, \dots, |\Theta|$;
 - 12: **return** x and $V_{\mathbf{W}^h}$.
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$\sum_{V_Q(x) < \mu} \frac{\mu - V_Q(x)}{2\beta} = 1$. Then $V_{\mathbf{W}^h}(x')$ has the following explicit solution:

$$V_{\mathbf{W}^h}(x') = \begin{cases} \frac{\mu - V_Q(x')}{2\beta}, & \text{if } x' \leq x \\ 0, & \text{if } x' > x \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

From $\sum_{x'=1}^{|\Theta|} V_{\mathbf{W}^h}(x') = \sum_{x'=1}^x \frac{\mu - V_Q(x')}{2\beta} = 1$, we can get the value for μ as:

$$\mu = \frac{2\beta + \sum_{x'=1}^x V_Q(x')}{x} \quad (24)$$

We compute $V_{\mathbf{W}^h}$ via finding an appropriate q that satisfies $\mu - V_Q(x) > 0$ and $\mu - V_Q(x+1) \leq 0$. We decrease x from $|\Theta|$ to 1 step by step, and list the procedure in Algorithm 2.

From (24), we can see that if $V_Q(x')$ is smaller than $V_Q(x'')$ ($x \in \{1, 2, \dots, |\Theta|\}$) and $\mu - V_Q(x') \leq 0$ then a larger weight is assigned to the relational data source corresponding to $V_Q(x')$ than $V_Q(x'')$, because the data matrix of the former data source can be more well approximated than the latter. From (23), it can be also observed that if $x > h$, $V_{\mathbf{W}^h} = 0$ which means that the intra-relational matrices are automatically removed from the optimization process. That is because these data sources have larger reconstruction losses. The overall process of M4L-JMF is summarized in Algorithm 3.

II. CONVERGENCE PROOF

The updating rule of G , S , \mathbf{W}^r and \mathbf{W}^h will be converged to the global optimum. This proof follows the concept of auxiliary functions that are often used in the proof of convergence of approximate matrix factorization algorithms [1], [4], [5]. This kind of proof focus on an appropriate function $F(G, G', \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$, which is an auxiliary function of the objective function satisfying $\Omega(G, S, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ with:

$$\begin{aligned}F(G, G', \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) &= \Omega(G', S, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h), \\ F(G, G', \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) &\geq \Omega(G, S, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h).\end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Algorithm 3 M4L-JMF pseudo-code

Input: $|\mathcal{R}|$ relational matrices R_{ij} ; Intra-association data matrices $\Theta^{(t)}$ for m object types; ranks d .

Output: G, S, W^r, W^h

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1: Initialize  $V_{W^r} \leftarrow 1/|\mathcal{R}|$ ;  $V_{W^h} \leftarrow 1/|\Theta|$ .
2: for  $i = 1:m$  do
3:    $G_i = \text{SVD}(R_{ij}, d)$ 
4: end for
5:  $R_{\text{cell}} = \{G_1, G_2, \dots, G_m\}$ 
6:  $S_{\text{cell}} = \{G_1, G_2, \dots, G_m\}$ 
7: while not satisfy the stop condition do
8:   for  $i = 1:m$  do
9:     Update  $S_{\text{cell}}\{i\}$  via (4).
10:    Update  $R_{\text{cell}}\{i\}$  via (8)-(10).
11:   end for
12:   Seek  $h$  and compute  $V_{W^r}$  using Algorithm1
13:   Seek  $x$  and compute  $V_{W^h}$  using Algorithm2
14: end while
15: return  $G, S, W^r, W^h$ .
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If such an auxiliary function F can be found and if G is updated in $(n+1)$ -th iteration as:

$$G^{n+1} = \arg \min_G F(G, G^n, W^r, W^h) \quad (26)$$

and then we can get the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(G^{n+1}, S, W^r) &\leq F(G^{n+1}, G^n, W^r, W^h) \\ &\leq F(G^n, G^n, W^r, W^h) \\ &= \Omega(G^n, S, W^r, W^h) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

That is, $\Omega(G, S, W^r, W^h)$ would be nonincreasing with such an auxiliary function F . The steps we update S in (10) are proved in [1] as an proper auxiliary function, which is also specified by Wang *et al.* [6](Appendix II). constructed an auxiliary function as $F_{Wang}(A, A'; B, C, D)$ and showed it satisfies the conditions of auxiliary functions with the form $\Omega(A; B, C, D) = \text{tr}(-2A^T B + A D A^T) + \text{tr}(A^T C A)$, where C and D are symmetric and A is nonnegative. Given that, we treat our objective function of M4L-JMF in (1) of the main text as a special case of $\Omega(A; B, C, D)$.

Firstly, we view $\Omega(G^n, S, W^r, W^h)$ in (4) as a function of G_1 and construct the auxiliary function $F_{Wang}(A, A'; B, C, D)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} A &= G_1, \\ B &= \sum_{j: R_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} W_{1j}^r R_{1j} G_j S_{1j}^T + \sum_{j: R_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} W_{i1}^r R_{i1} G_i S_{i1}^T \\ C &= \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} W_{pt}^h \Theta_1^{(t)} \\ D &= \sum_{j: R_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} W_{1j}^r S_{1j} G_j^T G_j S_{1j}^T + \sum_{j: R_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} W_{i1}^r S_{i1} G_i^T G_i S_{i1}^T \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Then we rewrite (4) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(A; B, C, D) &= \text{tr}(-2A^T B^+ + 2A^T B^- + A D^+ A^T - A D^- A^T) \\ &\quad + \text{tr}(A^T C^+ A - A^T C^- A) \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

by ignoring $\text{tr}(X^T X)$, and based on the theorem 6 in literature [7], we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(A^T C^+ A) &\leq \sum_{ij} \frac{(C^+ A')_{ij} A_{ij}^2}{A'_{ij}} \\ \text{tr}(A^T D^+ A^T) &\leq \sum_{ij} \frac{(A' D^+)_{ij} A_{ij}^2}{A'_{ij}} \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

By the inequality

$$a \leq (a^2 + b^2)/2b, \text{ for } \forall a, b > 0 \quad (31)$$

We have

$$\text{tr}(A^T B^-) = \sum_{ij} B_{ij}^- A_{ij} \leq \sum_{ij} B_{ij}^- \frac{A_{ij}^2 + A_{ij}'^2}{2A'_{ij}} \quad (32)$$

To obtain the lower bounds for the remaining terms, we use inequality that $z \geq 1 + \log z$, which holds for any $z > 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(A^T B^+) &\geq \sum_{ij} B_{ij}^+ A'_{ij} (1 + \log \frac{A_{ij}}{A'_{ij}}) \\ \text{tr}(A^T C^- A) &\geq \sum_{ijk} C_{jk}^- A'_{ji} A'_{ki} (1 + \log \frac{A_{ji} A_{ki}}{A'_{ji} A'_{ki}}) \\ \text{tr}(A^T D^- A^T) &\geq \sum_{ijk} D_{jk}^- A'_{ij} A'_{ik} (1 + \log \frac{A_{ij} A_{ik}}{A'_{ij} A'_{ik}}) \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

By summing all the bounds, we can get $P(A, A')$, which significantly satisfies (i) $P(A, A') \geq \Omega(A')$ (ii) $P(A', A') = \Omega(A')$. To find the minimum of $P(A, A')$, we take

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p(A, A')}{\partial A_{ij}} &= -2B_{ij}^+ \frac{A'_{ij}}{A_{ij}} - 2B_{ij}^- \frac{A_{ij}}{A'_{ij}} + 2 \frac{(A' D^+)_{ij} A'_{ij}}{A'_{ij}} \\ &\quad - \frac{2(A' D^-)_{ij} A'_{ij}}{A_{ij}} + \frac{2(C^+ A')_{ij} A_{ij}}{A'_{ij}} + \frac{2(C^- A')_{ij} A'_{ij}}{A_{ij}} \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

and the Hessian matrix for $P(A, A')$

$$\frac{\partial^2 P(A, A')}{\partial A_{ij} \partial A_{kl}} = \varphi_{ik} \varphi_{jl} \Psi_{ij} \quad (35)$$

is a diagonal matrix with positive diagonal elements

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{ij} &= \frac{(2B^+ + A' D^- + C A')_{ij} A'_{ij}}{A_{ij}^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{(2B^- + A' D^+ + C A')_{ij}}{A'_{ij}} \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

Thus $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')$ is a convex function of \mathbf{A} , then we can obtain the global minimum of $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')$ by setting $\partial P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')/\partial \mathbf{A}_{ij} = 0$. Thus, we can update \mathbf{G} via (8),(9) and (10). We repeat this process by constructing the remaining $q - 1$ auxiliary function by separately considering $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ as a function of matrix factors $\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q$. From the theory of auxiliary functions, it then follows that the objective function $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ of M4L-JMF is nonincreasing under the update rules for each of $\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q$. Letting $\Omega(\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) = \Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$, and $\mathbf{M} = \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^0, \mathbf{G}_2^0, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ we can get:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M} &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^0, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \\ &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^1, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \\ &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^1, \mathbf{G}_3^1, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \quad (37) \\ &\geq \dots \\ &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^1, \mathbf{G}_3^1, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^1, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ is certainly bounded from below by zero and its nonincreasing property, the convergence is proved.

A. Convergence proof of M4L-JMF

The updating rule of \mathbf{G} , \mathbf{S} , \mathbf{W}^r and \mathbf{W}^h will be converged to the global optimum. This proof follows the concept of auxiliary functions that are often used in the proof of convergence of approximate matrix factorization algorithms [1], [4], [5]. This kind of proof focus on an appropriate function $F(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}', \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$, which is an auxiliary function of the objective function satisfying $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ with:

$$\begin{aligned} F(\mathbf{G}', \mathbf{G}', \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) &= \Omega(\mathbf{G}', \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h), \\ F(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}', \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h). \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

If such an auxiliary function F can be found and if \mathbf{G} is updated in $(n + 1)$ -th iteration as:

$$\mathbf{G}^{n+1} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{G}} F(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}^n, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \quad (39)$$

and then we can get the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\mathbf{G}^{n+1}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) &\leq F(\mathbf{G}^{n+1}, \mathbf{G}^n, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \\ &\leq F(\mathbf{G}^n, \mathbf{G}^n, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \quad (40) \\ &= \Omega(\mathbf{G}^n, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \end{aligned}$$

That is, $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ would be nonincreasing with such an auxiliary function F . The steps we update \mathbf{S} in (4) are proved in [1] as an proper auxiliary function, which is also specified by Wang *et al.* [6](Appendix II). constructed an auxiliary function as $F_{Wang}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}'; \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D})$ and showed it satisfies the conditions of auxiliary functions with the form $\Omega(\mathbf{A}; \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}) = \text{tr}(-2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{A}^T) + \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{A})$, where \mathbf{C} and \mathbf{D} are symmetric and \mathbf{A} is nonnegative. Given that, we treat our objective function of M4L-JMF in (3) of the main text as a special case of $\Omega(\mathbf{A}; \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D})$.

Firstly, we view $\Omega(\mathbf{G}^n, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ in (4) as a function of \mathbf{G}_1 and construct the auxiliary function $F_{Wang}(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}'; \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D})$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{G}_1, \\ \mathbf{B} &= \sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{1j} \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbf{W}_{1j}^r \mathbf{R}_{1j} \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{1j}^T + \sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbf{W}_{i1}^r \mathbf{R}_{i1} \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{i1}^T \\ \mathbf{C} &= \sum_{t=1}^{\tau} \mathbf{W}_{pt}^h \boldsymbol{\Theta}_1^{(t)} \\ \mathbf{D} &= \sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{1j} \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbf{W}_{1j}^r \mathbf{S}_{1j} \mathbf{G}_j^T \mathbf{G}_j \mathbf{S}_{1j}^T + \sum_{j: \mathbf{R}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbf{W}_{i1}^r \mathbf{S}_{i1} \mathbf{G}_i^T \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{S}_{i1}^T \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

Then we rewrite (4) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\mathbf{A}; \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{D}) &= \text{tr}(-2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B}^+ + 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B}^- + \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D}^+ \mathbf{A}^T \\ &\quad - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{D}^- \mathbf{A}^T) + \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{C}^+ \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{C}^- \mathbf{A}) \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

where the matrices with positive and negative symbols are defined as $\mathbf{B}^+ = \frac{|\mathbf{B}| + \mathbf{B}}{2}$ and $\mathbf{B}^- = \frac{|\mathbf{B}| - \mathbf{B}}{2}$ respectively. By ignoring $\text{tr}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})$, and based on the theorem 6 in literature [7], we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{C}^+ \mathbf{A}) &\leq \sum_{ij} \frac{(\mathbf{C}^+ \mathbf{A}')_{ij} \mathbf{A}_{ij}^2}{\mathbf{A}'_{ij}} \\ \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{D}^+ \mathbf{A}^T) &\leq \sum_{ij} \frac{(\mathbf{A}' \mathbf{D}^+)_{ij} \mathbf{A}_{ij}^2}{\mathbf{A}'_{ij}} \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

By the inequality

$$a \leq (a^2 + b^2)/2b, \text{ for } \forall a, b > 0 \quad (44)$$

We have

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B}^-) = \sum_{ij} \mathbf{B}_{ij}^- \mathbf{A}_{ij} \leq \sum_{ij} \mathbf{B}_{ij}^- \frac{\mathbf{A}_{ij}^2 + \mathbf{A}'_{ij}^2}{2\mathbf{A}'_{ij}} \quad (45)$$

To obtain the lower bounds for the remaining terms, we use inequality that $Z \geq 1 + \log z$, which holds for any $z > 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{B}^+) &\geq \sum_{ij} \mathbf{B}_{ij}^+ \mathbf{A}'_{ij} (1 + \log \frac{\mathbf{A}_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}'_{ij}}) \\ \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{C}^- \mathbf{A}) &\geq \sum_{ijk} \mathbf{C}_{jk}^- \mathbf{A}'_{ji} \mathbf{A}'_{ki} (1 + \log \frac{\mathbf{A}_{ji} \mathbf{A}_{ki}}{\mathbf{A}'_{ji} \mathbf{A}'_{ki}}) \quad (46) \\ \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{D}^- \mathbf{A}^T) &\geq \sum_{ijk} \mathbf{D}_{jk}^- \mathbf{A}'_{ij} \mathbf{A}'_{ik} (1 + \log \frac{\mathbf{A}_{ij} \mathbf{A}_{ik}}{\mathbf{A}'_{ij} \mathbf{A}'_{ik}}) \end{aligned}$$

By summing all the bounds, we can get $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')$, which significantly satisfies (i) $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}') \geq \Omega(\mathbf{A}')$ (ii) $P(\mathbf{A}', \mathbf{A}') = \Omega(\mathbf{A}')$. To find the minimum of $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')$, we take

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial p(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')}{\partial \mathbf{A}_{ij}} &= -2\mathbf{B}_{ij}^+ \frac{\mathbf{A}'_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}_{ij}} - 2\mathbf{B}_{ij}^- \frac{\mathbf{A}_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}'_{ij}} + 2 \frac{(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{D}^+)_{ij} \mathbf{A}'_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}'_{ij}} \\ &- \frac{2(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{D}^-)_{ij} \mathbf{A}'_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}_{ij}} + \frac{2(\mathbf{C}^+ \mathbf{A}')_{ij} \mathbf{A}_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}'_{ij}} + \frac{2(\mathbf{C}^- \mathbf{A}')_{ij} \mathbf{A}'_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}_{ij}} \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

and the Hessian matrix for $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')$

$$\frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')}{\partial \mathbf{A}_{ij} \partial \mathbf{A}_{kl}} = \varphi_{ik} \varphi_{jl} \Psi_{ij} \quad (48)$$

is a diagonal matrix with positive diagonal elements

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{ij} &= \frac{(2\mathbf{B}^+ + \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{D}^- + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}')_{ij} \mathbf{A}'_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}_{ij}^2} \\ &+ \frac{(2\mathbf{B}^+ + \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{D}^+ + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}')_{ij}}{\mathbf{A}_{ij}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

Thus $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')$ is a convex function of \mathbf{A} , then we can obtain the global minimum of $P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}')$ by setting $\partial P(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}') / \partial \mathbf{A}_{ij} = 0$. Thus, we can update \mathbf{G} in (8),(9) and (10). We repeat this process by constructing the remaining $q - 1$ auxiliary function by separately considering $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ as a function of matrix factors $\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q$. From the theory of auxiliary functions, it then follows that the objective function ($\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$) of M4L-JMF is nonincreasing under the update rules for each of $\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q$. Letting $\Omega(\mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) = \Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$, and $\mathbf{M} = \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^0, \mathbf{G}_2^0, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ we can get:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M} &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^0, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \\ &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^1, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \\ &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^1, \mathbf{G}_3^1, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^0, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \quad (50) \\ &\geq \dots \\ &\geq \Omega(\mathbf{G}_1^1, \mathbf{G}_2^1, \mathbf{G}_3^1, \dots, \mathbf{G}_q^1, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\Omega(\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{W}^r, \mathbf{W}^h)$ is certainly bounded from below by zero and its nonincreasing property, the convergence is proved.

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