

Machine Learning Exercise Sheet 11

Dimensionality Reduction & Matrix Factorization

Homework

t-SNE

Problem 1: The similarity in the low dimensional space is defined as:

$$q_{ij} = \frac{\left(1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2\right)^{-1}}{\sum_k \sum_{k \neq l} \left(1 + \|y_k - y_l\|^2\right)^{-1}}$$

The objective is to obtain a low-dimensional projection capturing the similarity structure of the high-dimensional data. This is achieved via optimizing the Kullback-Leibler divergence

$$C = KL(P||Q) = \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} p_{ij} \log \frac{p_{ij}}{q_{ij}}$$

Please derive the gradient $\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_s}$ for t-SNE for the coordinate y_i in the low dimensional space. Please note that this gradient can be used to update y_s with first-order methods.

Autoencoders

Problem 2: We train a linear autoencoder to D -dimensional data. The autoencoder has a single K -dimensional hidden layer, there are no biases, and all activation functions are identity ($\sigma(x) = x$).

- Why is it usually impossible to get zero reconstruction error in this setting if $K < D$?
- Under which conditions is this possible?

Coding Exercise

Problem 3: Download the notebook `exercise_11_notebook.ipynb` and `exercise_11_matrix_factorization_ratings.npy` from Piazza. Fill in the missing code and run the notebook. Convert the evaluated notebook to PDF and append it to your other solutions before uploading.