

# Graphic Lasso: Scaled membership with intercept

Span(U) orthogonal Span (intercept)

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K=5, r=1

k=1,..., 4: Theta\_0+ mu1 Theta

k=5: Theta\_0 + mu2 Theta

mu\_1 , mu\_2 >0

4' for each l: sum\_{k} mu\_{kl} = 0

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=> Theta0' = Theta0+mu1Theta

k=1,... 4: Theta0'+0\*0

k=5,: Theta0' + 1\*difference

## 1 Identifiability

Consider the model

$$\Omega^k = \Theta^0 + \sum_{l=1}^r u_{kl} \Theta^l, \quad k \in [K] \quad (1)$$

Let  $U = [u_{kl}] \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times r}$  be the membership matrix and  $u_l$  denote the  $l$ -th column of  $U$ . Let  $I_l = \{k : u_{kl} \neq 0\}$ .

**Lemma 1** (Identifiability of scaled membership model with intercept). *Suppose the parameter  $(U, \Theta^l)$  satisfies the following condition.*

1.  $\Theta^0, \Theta^1, \dots, \Theta^l$  are positive definite with bounded singular values, i.e.,  $0 < \tau_1 \leq \min_{l=0,1,\dots,r} \varphi_{\min}(\Theta^l) \leq \max_{l=0,1,\dots,r} \varphi_{\max}(\Theta^l) \leq \tau_2 < \infty$ .
2.  $\Theta^l, l = 0, 1, \dots, r$  are irreducible in the sense that  $\Theta^l \neq C\Theta^{l'}$  for any pair  $l, l'$  and for any constant  $C$ .
3. The columns of  $U$  are non-overlap, with  $\|u_l\|_F = 1$ .
4. For all  $l \in [r]$ , there exists at least one  $u_{kl}, k \in I_l$  has different values with other non-zero entries, i.e., there exists a pair  $k, k' \in I_l$  such that  $u_{k'l} \neq u_{kl}$ .

Then, the parameters in model (1) are identifiable.

*Proof.* We prove the identifiability by cases. Suppose there exists an other set of parameter  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{\Theta}^l)$  such that

$$\Omega^k = \tilde{\Theta}^0 + \sum_{l=1}^r \tilde{u}_{kl} \tilde{\Theta}^l,$$

with corresponding  $\tilde{I}_l$ .

1. Assume there exists a  $l \in [r]$  such that  $I_l \neq \tilde{I}_l$ . Without the loss of generality, we assume  $|I_l| \geq |\tilde{I}_l|$ . Then, there exist a pair  $k, k' \in I_l$  while  $k \in \tilde{I}_l, k' \in \tilde{I}_l'$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^0 + u_{kl} \Theta^l &= \tilde{\Theta}^0 + \tilde{u}_{kl} \tilde{\Theta}^l \\ \Theta^0 + u_{k'l} \Theta^l &= \tilde{\Theta}^0 + \tilde{u}_{k'l'} \tilde{\Theta}^{l'}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^0 - \tilde{\Theta}^0 &= -u_{kl} \Theta^l + \tilde{u}_{kl} \tilde{\Theta}^l \\ &= -\frac{u_{k'l}}{u_{kl}} \left[ u_{kl} \Theta^l + \frac{\tilde{u}_{k'l'} u_{kl}}{u_{k'l}} \tilde{\Theta}^{l'} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

The equation (2) is valid since  $u_{kl} \neq 0$ , for all  $k \in I_l$ . Note that by condition 2  $\tilde{\Theta}^l \neq C\tilde{\Theta}^{l'}$  for any constant  $C$ . Thus, there exists an index  $i \in [p]$  such that the  $i$ -th column of  $\tilde{\Theta}^l, \tilde{\Theta}^{l'}$ , denoted  $\tilde{v}_i, \tilde{v}'_i$ , are linearly independent. Let  $v_i$  denote the  $i$ -th column of  $\Theta^l$ . Then the following two vectors are also linearly independent.

$$-u_{kl}v_i + \tilde{u}_{kl}\tilde{v}_i, \quad \text{and} \quad u_{kl}v_i + \frac{\tilde{u}_{k'l'}u_{kl}}{u_{k'l}}\tilde{v}'_i,$$

which contradicts to the equation (2). Hence, for all  $l \in [r]$ , we have  $I_l = \tilde{I}_l$ .

2. Assume for all  $l \in [r]$ , we have  $I_l = \tilde{I}_l$ .

- (a) Assume there exists a  $l \in [r]$  such that  $\Theta^l \neq C\tilde{\Theta}^l$  for any constant  $C$ . Then, there exists an index  $i \in [p]$  such that the columns  $v_i, \tilde{v}_i$  of  $\Theta^l, \tilde{\Theta}^l$  respectively are linearly independent.

Also, by condition 4, there exist a pair  $k, k' \in I_l$  such that  $u_{kl} - u_{k'l} \neq 0$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^0 + u_{kl}\Theta^l &= \tilde{\Theta}^0 + \tilde{u}_{kl}\tilde{\Theta}^l \\ \Theta^0 + u_{k'l}\Theta^l &= \tilde{\Theta}^0 + \tilde{u}_{k'l}\tilde{\Theta}^l, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\Theta^0 - \tilde{\Theta}^0 = -u_{kl}\Theta^l + \tilde{u}_{kl}\tilde{\Theta}^l = -u_{k'l}\Theta^l + \tilde{u}_{k'l}\tilde{\Theta}^l,$$

and

$$[u_{k'l} - u_{kl}]v_i = [\tilde{u}_{k'l} - \tilde{u}_{kl}]\tilde{v}_i. \quad (3)$$

Since  $u_{k'l} - u_{kl} \neq 0$ , the equation (3) contradicts to the assumption that  $v_i$  and  $\tilde{v}_i$  are linear independent and  $\Theta^l \neq C\tilde{\Theta}^l$ . Therefore, for all  $l \in [r]$ , we have  $\Theta^l = C\tilde{\Theta}^l$  for some constant  $C$ .

- (b) Assume for all  $l \in [r]$ , we have  $\Theta^l = C\tilde{\Theta}^l$  for some constant  $C$ . Then, for any pair  $l, l' \in [r]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta^0 + u_{kl}\Theta^l &= \tilde{\Theta}^0 + \tilde{u}_{kl}\tilde{\Theta}^l \\ \Theta^0 + u_{k'l'}\Theta^{l'} &= \tilde{\Theta}^0 + \tilde{u}_{k'l'}\tilde{\Theta}^{l'}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\Theta^0 - \tilde{\Theta}^0 = (\tilde{u}_{kl} - Cu_{kl})\tilde{\Theta}^l = (\tilde{u}_{k'l'} - Cu_{k'l'})\tilde{\Theta}^{l'}. \quad (4)$$

The equation (4) contradicts to the condition 2 if the left hand side  $\Theta^0 - \tilde{\Theta}^0$  is not equal to 0. Hence, we have  $\Theta^0 = \tilde{\Theta}^0$ , and thus  $\tilde{u}_{kl} = Cu_{kl}$  for all  $k \in I_l$ . By condition 3, we have  $\|u_l\|_F = \|\tilde{u}_l\|_F = C\|u_l\|_F = 1$ . Then, we have  $C = 1$  and thus  $\Theta^l = C\tilde{\Theta}^l, u_{kl} = \tilde{u}_{kl}$ .

Therefore, we have shown that the  $(\tilde{U}, \tilde{\Theta}^l) = (U, \Theta^l)$  and the parameters satisfying the condition 1-4 are identifiable.  $\square$

## 2 Accuracy rate

Consider a simple case of model (1) when  $r = 1$ . The optimization problem is stated below

$$\begin{aligned}
\min_{\{u, \Theta\}} \quad & \mathcal{L}(u, \Theta) = \sum_{k=1}^K \langle S^k, \Omega^k \rangle - \log \det(\Omega^k), \\
s.t. \quad & \Omega^k = \Theta^0 + u_k \Theta, \quad k \in [K], \\
& u_k > 0, \|u\|_F^2 = 1, \\
& u_{k'} \neq u_k, \quad \text{for some } k, k' \in [K] \\
& \Theta^0, \Theta \text{ are positive definite with, and} \\
& \tau_1 < \min\{\varphi_{\min}(\Theta^0), \varphi_{\min}(\Theta)\} \leq \max\{\varphi_{\max}(\Theta^0), \varphi_{\max}(\Theta)\} < \tau_2, \tau_1, \tau_2 > 0
\end{aligned}$$