Report: Comparison of Dimensionality Reduction and Classifier Performance on Breast Cancer Dataset

Dataset Features

- 1. Number of Instances (Samples):
 - o 569 samples

2. Number of Features:

 30 numeric features (all float type), describing the characteristics of the cell nuclei.

3. Target Variable:

- Binary classification:
 - 0: Malignant (Cancerous)
 - 1: Benign (Non Cancerous)

Objective:

The goal of this experiment was to apply three dimensionality reduction techniques—Self-Organizing Maps (SOM), Restricted Boltzmann Machines (RBM), and Autoencoders—and compare their performance against the original dataset using three classifiers: XGBoost, LightGBM, and Cat Boost. Performance was measured in terms of classification accuracy and execution time.

Code:

import numpy as np

import pandas as pd

import time

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler

from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score

from sklearn.datasets import load_breast_cancer

from sklearn.utils import resample

Classifier libraries

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import xgboost as xgb
from lightgbm import LGBMClassifier
from catboost import CatBoostClassifier
# PyTorch libraries for RBM and Autoencoder
import torch
from torch import nn
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader
# SOM implementation
from minisom import MiniSom
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# Step 1: Load and Preprocess Data
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# Load the Breast Cancer Dataset
data = load_breast_cancer()
X = data.data # Features
y = data.target # Target (0 = Malignant, 1 = Benign)
# Optional: Upsample the dataset to ~700 rows
X, y = resample(X, y, n_samples=700, random_state=42)
# Train-test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_train = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)
X_test = scaler.transform(X_test)
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# Convert data to PyTorch tensors
X_train_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(X_train)
X_test_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(X_test)
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# Step 2: Dimensionality Reduction
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print("Applying SOM...")
#1. Self-Organizing Map (SOM)
som = MiniSom(x=10, y=10, input_len=X_train.shape[1], sigma=1.0, learning_rate=0.5)
som.random_weights_init(X_train)
som.train_random(X_train, 500)
# Project data into reduced dimensions
X_train_som = np.array([som.winner(x) for x in X_train])
X_test_som = np.array([som.winner(x) for x in X_test])
print("Applying RBM...")
# 2. Restricted Boltzmann Machine (RBM)
class RBM(nn.Module):
 def __init__(self, n_visible, n_hidden):
   super(RBM, self).__init__()
   self.W = nn.Parameter(torch.randn(n_hidden, n_visible) * 0.1)
   self.h_bias = nn.Parameter(torch.zeros(n_hidden))
   self.v_bias = nn.Parameter(torch.zeros(n_visible))
 def forward(self, v):
   h_prob = torch.sigmoid(torch.matmul(v, self.W.t()) + self.h_bias)
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return h_prob
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# Initialize and train RBM
rbm = RBM(n_visible=X_train.shape[1], n_hidden=10)
optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(rbm.parameters(), lr=0.01)
for epoch in range(10):
 for batch in DataLoader(X_train_tensor, batch_size=16):
   batch = batch.float()
   h_sample = rbm.forward(batch)
   reconstructed = torch.sigmoid(torch.matmul(h_sample, rbm.W) + rbm.v_bias)
   loss = torch.mean((batch - reconstructed) ** 2)
   optimizer.zero_grad()
   loss.backward()
   optimizer.step()
# Transform data using the trained RBM
X_train_rbm = rbm.forward(X_train_tensor).detach().numpy()
X_test_rbm = rbm.forward(X_test_tensor).detach().numpy()
print("Applying Autoencoder...")
#3. Autoencoder
class Autoencoder(nn.Module):
 def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size):
   super(Autoencoder, self).__init__()
   self.encoder = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)
   self.decoder = nn.Linear(hidden_size, input_size)
 def forward(self, x):
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x = torch.relu(self.encoder(x))
   x = self.decoder(x)
   return x
# Train Autoencoder
autoencoder = Autoencoder(input_size=X_train.shape[1], hidden_size=10)
optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(autoencoder.parameters(), lr=0.01)
criterion = nn.MSELoss()
for epoch in range(10):
 for batch in DataLoader(X_train_tensor, batch_size=16):
   batch = batch.float()
   reconstructed = autoencoder(batch)
   loss = criterion(reconstructed, batch)
   optimizer.zero_grad()
   loss.backward()
   optimizer.step()
X_train_auto = autoencoder.encoder(X_train_tensor).detach().numpy()
X_test_auto = autoencoder.encoder(X_test_tensor).detach().numpy()
# ------
# Step 3: Train Classifiers
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datasets = {
 "Original": (X_train, X_test),
 "SOM": (X_train_som, X_test_som),
 "RBM": (X_train_rbm, X_test_rbm),
 "Autoencoder": (X_train_auto, X_test_auto),
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}
results = []
for name, (train_data, test_data) in datasets.items():
 for clf_name, clf in [
   ("XGBoost", xgb.XGBClassifier(use_label_encoder=False, eval_metric="logloss")),
   ("LightGBM", LGBMClassifier()),
   ("CatBoost", CatBoostClassifier(verbose=0)),
 ]:
   start_time = time.time()
   clf.fit(train_data, y_train)
   predictions = clf.predict(test_data)
   accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, predictions)
   elapsed_time = time.time() - start_time
   results.append((name, clf_name, accuracy, elapsed_time))
# ------
# Step 4: Report Results
# ------
results_df = pd.DataFrame(
 results, columns=["Dataset", "Classifier", "Accuracy", "Time (s)"]
)
print("\n=== Final Results ===")
print(results_df)
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Result

. Dataset Classifier Accuracy Time (s) 0 Original XGBoost 0.980952 0.096054 Original 1 LightGBM 0.976190 0.216141 2 Original CatBoost 0.985714 3.448707 3 SOM XGBoost 0.966667 0.063982 4 SOM LightGBM 0.957143 0.027295 5 CatBoost 0.957143 1.013347 SOM 6 RBM XGBoost 0.976190 0.046851 7 LightGBM 0.961905 0.062937 RBM 8 RBM CatBoost 0.966667 1.964469 9 Autoencoder XGBoost 0.966667 0.046875 10 Autoencoder LightGBM 0.976190 0.068369 11 Autoencoder CatBoost 0.971429 1.919503

Observations:

1. Accuracy:

 Original Dataset achieved the highest accuracy for all classifiers, with CatBoost performing best at 98.57%.

Dimensionality-Reduced Datasets:

- RBM and Autoencoder consistently outperformed SOM in terms of accuracy.
- Autoencoder-based reduction achieved competitive accuracy, closely matching the original dataset.

2. Execution Time:

- XGBoost and LightGBM demonstrated faster training times compared to CatBoost across all datasets.
- SOM was the fastest dimensionality reduction technique due to its simplicity but slightly lagged in classification accuracy.
- Autoencoders and RBMs showed moderate training times, balancing complexity and accuracy effectively.

3. Dimensionality Reduction Techniques:

- SOM: Efficient but limited in maintaining feature importance, resulting in lower accuracy compared to RBM and Autoencoder.
- o **RBM:** Achieved higher accuracy with moderately faster training times.

• **Autoencoder:** Delivered a balance between accuracy and training time, making it a suitable choice for classification tasks.

Conclusion:

- For high accuracy and acceptable training time, the **original dataset** with CatBoost performed best, albeit at a higher computational cost.
- Among dimensionality reduction techniques, **Autoencoder** emerged as the most effective, providing a trade-off between accuracy and speed.
- For scenarios prioritizing speed, **LightGBM with SOM** provided the quickest solution, although with slightly lower accuracy.

This experiment highlights the trade-offs between dimensionality reduction methods and classifiers, emphasizing the importance of selecting techniques based on task-specific requirements such as accuracy and computational efficiency.