Knowledge Discovery by Accuracy Maximization

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1 Introduction

KODAMA (Knowledge Discovery by Accuracy Maximization) is a novel learning algorithm for unsupervised feature extraction, specifically designed for analysing noisy and high-dimensional data sets (Cacciatore et al., 2014). The core idea of the original algorithm is to use an iteration procedure to produce a hypothetical classification through maximization of cross-validated predictive accuracy. Using only the data set as input (no a priori knowledge is needed), an iterative procedure permits classification with a high cross-validated accuracy. Two different classifiers are implemented in this package for the computation of cross-validated predictive accuracy: k-nearest neighbors (kNN) and Partial Least Squares - Discriminant Analysis (PLS-DA). This procedure is repeated several times to average the effects owing to the randomness of the iterative procedure. After each run of the procedure, a classification vector with high cross-validated accuracy is obtained. KODAMA subsequently collects and processes these results by constructing a dissimilarity matrix to provide a holist view of the data. This documentation introduces the usage of KODAMA. More information are available on the KODAMA website project via.

2 Installation

2.1 Installation via CRAN

The R package KODAMA (current version 1.0.0) is part of the Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN)¹. The simplest way to install the package is to enter the following command into your R session: install.packages("KODAMA"). We suggest to install the R package rgl for the data visualization in 3D interactive plots.

2.2 Manual installation from source

To compile the C/C++ code included in the package for customization or installation on alternative operating systems the package can be manually installed from source. To this end, open the package's page at CRAN (Cacciatore *et al.*, 2014) and then proceed as follows:

- Download KODAMA.tar.gz and save it to your hard disk
- Open a shell/terminal/command prompt window and change to the desired directory for installation of KODAMA.tar.gz. Enter R CMD INSTALL KODAMA.tar.gz to install the package. Note that this may require additional software on some platforms. Windows requires Rtools² to be installed and to be available in the default search path (environment variable PATH). MAC OS X requires installation of Xcode developers and command line tools.

2.3 Compatibility issues

All versions downloadable from CRAN have been built using R version, R.3.2.3. The package should work without major issues on R versions > 3.0.0.

¹http://cran.r-project.org

²http://developer.apple.com/technologies/tools

3 Getting Started

To load the package, enter the following instruction in your R session:

If this command terminates without any error messages, you can be sure that the package has been installed successfully. The KODAMA package is now ready for use.

The package includes both a user manual (this document) and a reference manual (help pages for each function). To view the user manual, enter vignette("KODAMA"). Help pages can be viewed using the help command help(KODAMA).

4 Datasets

4.1 Swiss Roll

The function swissroll computes the Swiss Roll dataset of a given sample size. The following example computes a Swiss Roll dataset containing 1,000 samples.

```
require("rgl")
x=swissroll()
open3d()
plot3d(x, col=rainbow(1000),box=FALSE,type="s",size=1)
```

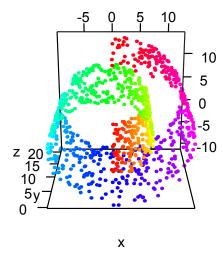


Figure 1: Three dimensional Swiss Roll dataset.

4.2 Ulisse Dini's surface

The function dinisurface computes the Ulisse Dini's surface dataset of a given sample size. The following example computes a Ulisse Dini's surface dataset containing 1,000 samples.

```
require("rgl")
x=dinisurface()
open3d()
plot3d(x, col=rainbow(1000),box=FALSE,type="s",size=1)
```

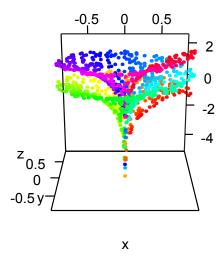


Figure 2: Three dimensional Ulisse Dini's surface dataset.

4.3 Helicoid

The function helicoid computes the Helicoid dataset of a given sample size. The following example computes a Helicoid dataset containing 1,000 samples.

```
require("rgl")
x=helicoid()
open3d()
plot3d(x, col=rainbow(1000),box=FALSE,type="s",size=1)
```

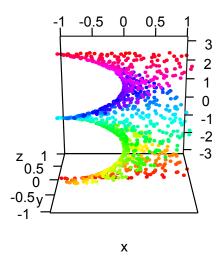


Figure 3: Three dimensional Helicoid dataset.

4.4 Spirals

The function spirals computes the Spirals dataset of a given sample size. The following example computes a Spirals dataset containing 1,000 samples.

```
par(mfrow=c(2,2),mai=c(0,0,0,0))
v1=spirals(c(100,100,100),c(0.1,0.1,0.1))
plot(v1,col=rep(2:4,each=100))
v2=spirals(c(100,100,100),c(0.1,0.2,0.3))
plot(v2,col=rep(2:4,each=100))
v3=spirals(c(100,100,100,100,100),c(0,0,0.2,0,0))
plot(v3,col=rep(2:6,each=100))
v4=spirals(c(20,40,60,80,100),c(0.1,0.1,0.1,0.1,0.1))
plot(v4,col=rep(2:6,c(20,40,60,80,100)))
```

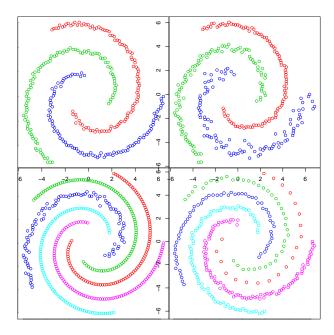


Figure 4: Four different two dimensional Spirals datasets.

4.5 Lymphoma

The lymphoma dataset consists of gene expression profiles of the three most prevalent adult lymphoid malignancies: diffuse large B-cell lymphoma (DLBCL), follicular lymphoma (FL), and B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia (B-CLL). The dataset consists of 4,682 mRNA genes for 62 samples (42 samples of DLBCL, 9 samples of FL and 11 samples of B-CLL). Missing values are imputed and data are standardized as described in Dudoit, et al. (2002).

4.6 MetRef

The data of belong to a cohort of 22 healthy donors (11 male and 11 female) where each provided about 40 urine samples over the time course of approximately 2 months, for a total of 873 samples. Each sample was analyzed by Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy. Each spectrum was divided in 450 spectral bins.

4.7 State of the Union

The USA dataset consists of the spoken, not written, presidential addresses from 1900 until the sixth address by Barack Obama in 2014. Punctuation characters, numbers, words shorter than three characters, and stop-words (e.g., "that", "and", and "which") were removed from the dataset. This resulted in a dataset of

86 speeches containing 834 different meaningful words each. Term frequency-inverse document frequency (TF-IDF) was used to obtain feature vectors. It is often used as a weighting factor in information retrieval and text mining. The TF-IDF value increases proportionally to the number of times a word appears in the document, but is offset by the frequency of the word in the corpus, which helps to control for the fact that some words are generally more common than others.

4.8 Iris

This famous Fisher's (aka Anderson's) iris data set gives the measurements (centimetres) of the variables sepal length and width and petal length and width, respectively, for 50 flowers from each of 3 species of iris. The species are *Iris setosa*, *I. versicolor*, and *I. virginica*.

iris is a data frame with 150 cases (rows) and 5 variables (columns) named Sepal.Length, Sepal.Width, Petal.Length, Petal.Width and Species.

5 Starting with KODAMA

We suggest KODAMA is first tested with the Iris dataset using the default parameters (i.e., kNN classifier with k=5). The KODAMA function automatically performs the Sammon's Non-Linear Mapping on the KODAMA dissimilarity matrix. The results can be visualized with the plot function.

```
data(iris)
data=iris[,-5]
labels=iris[,5]
kodama_knn_5=KODAMA(data)
plot(kodama_knn_5$pp,col=as.numeric(labels), xlab="First component", ylab="Second component")
```

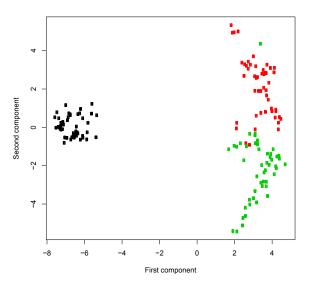


Figure 5: KODAMA on the Iris dataset.

5.2 Evaluation of the Monte Carlo iterative process

The mcplot function can be used to extract the values of cross-validated accuracy obtained from each iterative step of the Monte Carlo procedures of maximization of the cross-validated accuracy.

```
mcplot(kodam_knn_5)
```

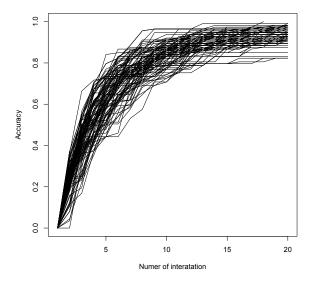


Figure 6: Cross-validated accuracy.

5.1 Adjusting Input Preferences

KODAMA can be run with different input settings. The two different classifiers, kNN and PLS-DA, are tested. The classifier and its parameter can be changed by modifying FUN and f.par, respectively. The kNN classifier is tested with k=2, 5, 10 and the PLS-DA classifier is tested with 2, 3 and 4 components.

```
kodama_knn_2 = KODAMA(data,FUN="KNN",f.par=2)
kodama_knn_5 = KODAMA(data,FUN="KNN",f.par=5)
kodama_knn_10=KODAMA(data,FUN="KNN",f.par=10)
kodama_pls_2 = KODAMA(data,FUN="PLS-DA",f.par=2)
kodama_pls_3 = KODAMA(data,FUN="PLS-DA",f.par=3)
kodama_pls_4 = KODAMA(data,FUN="PLS-DA",f.par=4)
```

After the KODAMA analyses, the different solutions can be visualized for comparative purposes.

The Shannon Entropy (H) (Shannon, 1948), a measure of unpredictability of information content, can be used to choose the best classifier and optimize its relative parameters. H is given by:

$$H = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} v_{ij} \times log \, v_{ij}$$

where v_{ij} is the proximity value between the sample i and the sample j divided by the sum of overall proximities.

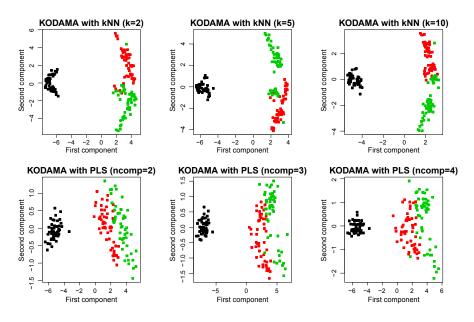


Figure 7: KODAMA results obtained with different input settings.

Different classifiers can lead to solutions that represent different interpretation of the data. A lower H value can be indicative of the solution that best characterizes the data.

Classifier	parameter	Entropy
kNN	2	9.371
kNN	5	9.362
kNN	10	9.381
PLS-DA	2	9.976
PLS-DA	3	9.933
PLS-DA	4	9.977

5.3 k-test

The k.test function performs a statistical test to assess association between the KODAMA output and any additional related parameters such as clinical metadata. The coefficient of determination (R^2) is used to assess the proportion of the variance in the dependent variable (KODAMA output) that is predictable from the independent variable and can be thus used as a measure of the goodness of fit (Cameron *et al.*, 1997). A permutation test is performed by randomly sampling the value of the labels to estimate the significance of the observed association.

5.2 Loadings

The loads function can be used to extract the variable ranking. After each maximization of the cross-validated accuracy the final label set is used to calculate the loadings of PLS-DA or the p-value from the Kruskal-Wallis Rank Sum test. The output of the loads function is the average of these values for each variable.

5.3 Unsupervised and semi-supervised

In the next example, MetRef dataset is used to show all possibilities offered by KODAMA performing the analysis in unsupervised or semi-supervised fashion. Firstly the MetRef dataset is pre-processed. This involves removing zero values from the MetRef dataset matrix and correcting for variations in urine concentration using Probabilistic Quotient Normalization (Dieterle **et al. 2006*).

data(MetRef)

Zero values are removed.

```
kk6=KODAMA2(MetRef$data,FUN = "PLS-DA",f.par = 100)
kk7=KODAMA2(MetRef$data,FUN = "KNN",f.par = 2)
kk8=KODAMA2(MetRef$data,FUN = "KNN",f.par = 3)
kk9=KODAMA2(MetRef$data,FUN = "KNN",f.par = 5)
kk10=KODAMA2(MetRef$data,FUN = "KNN",f.par = 10)
kk11=KODAMA2(MetRef$data,FUN = "KNN",f.par = 15)
kk12=KODAMA2(MetRef$data,FUN = "KNN",f.par = 20)
```

The most informative solution is represented by KODAMA using the PLS-DA with 100 components as the internal classifier as can be seen in the table below, which presents all Entropy values of each solution.

Classifier	parameter	Entropy
kNN	2	13.46
kNN	3	13.428
kNN	5	13.425
kNN	10	13.42
kNN	15	13.426
kNN	20	13.451
PLS-DA	2	13.493
PLS-DA	5	13.509
PLS-DA	10	13.497
PLS-DA	20	13.445
PLS-DA	50	13.245
PLS-DA	100	13.093

Principal Component Analysis, performed on this data set, is shown in the figure. Colors are indicative of donor specificity (left plot) and gender of donor (right plot).

```
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(prcomp(scale(MetRef$data))$x,
    bg=rainbow(22)[donor],pch=21,
    xlab="First Component", ylab="Second Component",cex=1.5)
plot(prcomp(scale(MetRef$data))$x,
    bg=c("#2c7ac8","#e3b80f")[gender],pch=21,
    xlab="First Component", ylab="Second Component",cex=1.5)
```

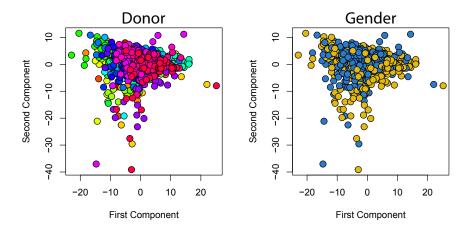


Figure 8: Principal Component Analysis.

The result of KODAMA with PLS-DA using 100 components as the classifier is subsequently shown. The

KODAMA output saved in the variable pp is calculated by applying Sammon's Non-Linear Mapping (Sammon 1969) to the KODAMA dissimilarity matrix.

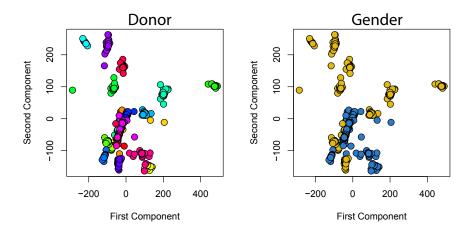


Figure 9: KODAMA with PLS-DA with 100 components as classifier.

KODAMA can also use external information to work in a semi-supervised way. Supervised constraints can be imposed by linking some samples in such a way that if one of them is changed the linked ones must change in the same way (i.e., they are forced to belong to the same class). This will produce solutions where linked samples are forced to have the lowest values in the KODAMA dissimilarity matrix.

In the next example, urine samples from the same donor are linked by providing class (donor) information to the algorithm before performing the iterative procedure thereby undertaking a "semi-supervised approach" to highlight otherwise hidden features.

Additional external information can be provided through fixing labels of vector W on the KODAMA algorithm. The value of the vector fix must be TRUE or FALSE. By default all elements are FALSE. Samples with the TRUE fix value will not change the class label defined in W during the maximization of the cross-validated accuracy procedure.

Here, gender information for the first ten donors is provided. Color coding indicates gender in the figures. Square data points indicate samples with supervised information. Circle data points indicate samples without any supervised information.

```
FIX=sample(c(TRUE,FALSE),873,T)
inform=gender
inform[!FIX]=NA
kk4=KODAMA(MetRef$data,FUN="PLS-DA",f.par = 100,W=inform,fix=FIX)
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
```

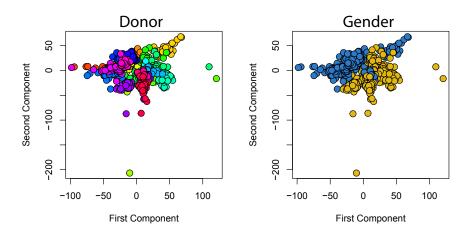


Figure 10: Semi-supervised KODAMA with constrain.

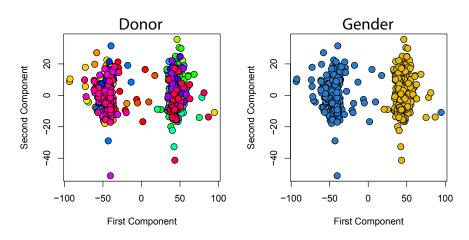


Figure 11: Semi-supervised KODAMA with fixed samples.

Here, information of the last two examples are provided together.

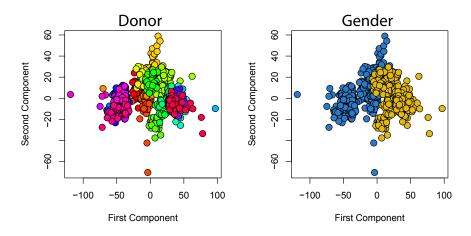


Figure 12: Semi-supervised KODAMA with fixed samples and constrain.

6 Special Notes for Users Upgrading from Previous Version

Version 1.0.0 has brought several fundamental changes to the architecture of the package. We tried to ensure backward compatibility with the previous version where possible. However, there are still some caveats the users should take into account.

Users who upgrade to version 1.0.0 from the older version (0.0.1) should be aware that the package requires the new version of Rcpp and RcppArmadillo packages. This issue can simply be solved by installing Rcpp and RcppArmadillo from CRAN using install.packages("Rcpp") and install.packages("RcppArmadillo").

7 How to Cite this Package

Cacciatore S, Tenori L, Luchinat C, Bennett P, and MacIntyre DA. KODAMA: an updated R package for knowledge discovery and data mining. Bioinformatics. Submitted.

Moreover, the original paper in which KODAMA was introduced should also be cited as follows:

Cacciatore S, Luchinat C, Tenori L. Knowledge discovery by accuracy maximization. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 2014;111(14):5117-22.

To obtain BibTex entries of the two references, you can enter the following into your R session to Bibtex citation("KODAMA").

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