

SPROJ Notes

MC (Vanilla Problem)

Input: $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}$

Ω : set of (i, j) indices where $X_{ij} = 0$

$$i.e. \quad X(i, j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i, j) \in \Omega \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Objective: $\min_{M \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}} \text{rank}(M) \quad \textcircled{1}$
↑ user-specified threshold

$$s.t. \quad \|M_{\Omega} - X_{\Omega}\|_F^2 \leq \delta \quad \text{or} \quad M_{\Omega} = X_{\Omega}$$

- Above objective is NP-hard as all algorithms are doubly exponential in dimension $\max(n_1, n_2)$

- Approximate $\textcircled{1}$ by $\| \cdot \|_*$ (nuclear norm) relaxation.
where $\|X\|_* = \sum_i \sigma_i(X)$, $\sigma_i = i^{\text{th}}$ singular value
- Since it's a norm (proof skipped) it's convex.

New objective: $\min_M \|M\|_* \quad s.t. \quad M_{\Omega} = X_{\Omega} \quad \textcircled{2}$

- Form Augmented Lagrangian:

$$\cancel{L_H(M)} \quad L_H(M, \Lambda) = \|M\|_* + \langle \Lambda, M_{\Omega} - X_{\Omega} \rangle \quad \textcircled{3} \\ + \frac{\mu}{2} \|M_{\Omega} - X_{\Omega}\|_F^2$$

- "Alternating" minimization strategy for $\textcircled{3}$
seeking a saddle point w.r.t to minimization of primal variable M and maximization w.r.t dual variable Λ .

- Steps:

$$M_{k+1} \in \arg \min_M L_H(M, \Lambda_k) \\ \Lambda_{k+1} = \Lambda_k + \mu [M_{k+1} - X]_{\Omega}$$

- let $g(M) = \|M\|_*$

Note the iterative step for M :

$$\min_M \underbrace{\|M\|_*}_{g(M) \text{ convex, non-smooth}} + \underbrace{\langle \Lambda, X_n - M_n \rangle + \frac{\mu}{2} \|X_n - M_n\|_F^2}_{f(M) \text{ convex, smooth}}$$

$$\nabla f(M) = -\Lambda_n + \mu[M - X]_n \quad (\mu\text{-lipschitz proof skipped})$$

Note: problems where objective function is

of the form:

$F(M) = g(M) + f(M)$ where $g(M)$ is convex (not necessarily smooth) and $f(M)$ is convex + smooth, we can apply "proximal gradient method"

- Proof skipped but PG gives the following iteration scheme:

$$M_{k+1} = \operatorname{argmin}_M \left\{ g(M) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|M - (M_k - \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla f(M_k))\|_F^2 \right\}$$

$$\text{let } Z_k = M_k - \frac{1}{\mu} \nabla f(M_k)$$

we require to solve the sequence of "proximal problems":

$$\min_M \left\{ g(M) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|M - Z_k\|_F^2 \right\} \quad (4)$$

- Proof skipped but when $g(M)$ is nuclear norm, this (4) can be solved in "closed-form" from the SVD of Z_k . More specifically "SVT" defined as:

$$\Psi_{\text{SVT}}[M] = U S_T[\Sigma] V^T, \quad S_T[x] = \operatorname{sign}(x) \min(|x|, T)$$

$T = \max(\sigma)$

unique proximal solution to (4) is given by $M^* = \Psi_{\text{SVT}}[Z_k]$.

ConvMC-Net:

we have following ^{ALM} algorithm for MC:

$$L^{k+1} = \Psi_{\mu}^{-1} \left\{ L^k + D_{\Omega} + H^T Y_{\Omega} \right\}.$$

- Introduce measurement matrix H as follows:

$$\Rightarrow \min_L \frac{1}{\mu} \|L\|_F + \frac{1}{2} \|D_{\Omega} - (HL)_{\Omega} + \frac{Y_{\Omega}}{\mu}\|_F^2$$

- Replace $(HL)_{\Omega}$ with GL_{Ω} on the assumption such a matrix G exists s.t. $\|GL_{\Omega} - (HL)_{\Omega}\| \leq \delta/\epsilon$

- Simplification:

$$L^{k+1} = \Psi_{\mu}^{-1} \left\{ L^k + (G^T) D_{\Omega} + (-G^T G) L^k + \frac{G^T}{\mu} Y_{\Omega} \right\}$$

- Replace G with convolutional kernels and use the substitution: $G^T Y_{\Omega} = W \circ Y_{\Omega} + B$

$$\therefore L^{k+1} = \Psi_{\mu}^{-1} \left\{ L^k + (C_1^k * D_{\Omega}) + (G_1^k * L^k) + (W^k \circ Y_{\Omega} + B^k) \right\}$$

Some general observations:

- APC, TNNR, ^{WNNR}FPC etc are all ^{requiring for} SVI algorithms in solving MC. hence computationally demanding.

- To avoid SVD computation, matrix factorization^(MF) is suggested.

- ^{Most} Current MF algorithms can work well when the observed matrix is noise-free or with white gaussian noise corruption.

- However, many practical scenarios contain impulsive gaussian noise / salt-and-pepper noise.
- To resist / robustness against outliers in CMM Cox, l_p -norm with $0 < p < 2$ has been adopted.
- Less the p , the more robust.
- $0 < p < 1$ (non-convex, non-smooth - challenge)
- $1 < p < 2$ (convex but requires IRWLS).
- $p = 2$ (reduces to LS solution).

Concise Huber MC: $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times r}$, $V \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n_2}$

HuberV: $B \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times 1}$, $X \in \mathbb{R}^{(j,i,r)}$, $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{(j,i,1)}$

HuberU: $B \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times r}$, $X \in \mathbb{R}^{(i,j,r)}$, $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{(1,i,j)}$