

Latent Semantic Indexing

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Introduction

Motivation

- Large datasets, often organized in tabular form, represented as **matrices**
 - Term-document matrix representing word occurrence in documents
 - Movie-user matrix representing watched movies of users
- Interesting aspects
 - **Find** documents semantically associated with a **query**
 - **Recommend** a new movie to a user

	Doc 1	Doc 2	...	Doc m
Term 1	0	1	...	1
Term 2	1	0	...	1
...
Term n	1	0	...	0



Documents

Terms $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$n \times m$

Latent Semantic Indexing

- LSI as an information retrieval method
- Finds the latent (hidden) semantic structure of textual data
- Represent term-document matrix as product of three matrices: term-topic, topic-topic and topic-document matrix
- Answer queries with help of these matrices
- Based on singular value decomposition of the matrix

Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) [6]

- Any n by m matrix can be factored into

$$A_{n \times m} = U_{[n \times r]} D_{[r \times r]} (V_{[m \times r]})^T = (\text{orthogonal})(\text{diagonal})(\text{orthogonal}).$$

- U : left singular vectors (n terms and r topics)
- V : right singular vectors (m documents and r topics)
- D : Singular values $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r$ in decreasing order ($r \times r$ diagonal matrix representing the "importance" of each topic, where r rank of matrix A)
- Vector notation

$$A = UDV^T = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i u_i v_i^t$$

Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) Example: Matrix A with rank $r = 3$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Terms} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Documents} \\ \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ A \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Term-Topic similarity} \\ \left(\begin{array}{ccc} -0.48 & -0.79 & -0.11 \cdot 10^{-14} \\ -0.58 & 0.16 & 0.71 \\ \mathbf{-0.34} & \mathbf{0.56} & 0.42 \cdot 10^{-15} \\ -0.56 & 0.16 & -0.71 \end{array} \right) \\ U \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Topic "importance"} \\ \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 2.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.26 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ D \end{array} \\ \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Topic-Document similarity} \\ \left(\begin{array}{ccc} -0.5 & \mathbf{-0.71} & -0.5 \\ -0.5 & \mathbf{0.71} & -0.5 \\ 0.71 & 0.67 \cdot 10^{-15} & -0.711 \end{array} \right) \\ V^T \end{array}$$

Latent Semantic Indexing based on SVD

- LSI considers A_k the rank k approximation of A (i.e. keep only k most relevant topics)
- In the example $k = 2$
- Map a query to k dimensional space with U_k and then apply cosine similarity to find similar documents in $D_k V_k^T$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Terms} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Documents} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0.01 & 1 \\ 0.51 & 1.01 & 0.51 \\ 0.0 & 1.01 & 0.0 \\ 0.49 & 0.98 & 0.49 \end{pmatrix} \\ A_k \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Term-Topic similarity} \\ \begin{pmatrix} -0.48 & -0.79 \\ -0.58 & 0.16 \\ \mathbf{-0.34} & \mathbf{0.56} \\ -0.56 & 0.16 \end{pmatrix} \\ U_k \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Topic "importance"} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 2.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.26 \end{pmatrix} \\ D_k \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Topic-Document similarity} \\ \begin{pmatrix} -0.5 & \mathbf{-0.71} & -0.5 \\ -0.5 & \mathbf{0.71} & -0.5 \end{pmatrix} \\ V_k^T \end{array}$$

Latent Semantic Indexing based on SVD

Theorem (Eckart and Young [2])

Among all $n \times m$ matrices C of rank at most k , A_k is the one that minimizes $\|A - C\|_F^2 = \sum_{i,j} (A_{ij} - C_{ij})^2$, where F denotes the Frobenius norm of a matrix.

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Original Paper Overview and Emphasized Aspect

- LSI has shown strong empirical results
- Two important aspects
 - Why does LSI find **semantically related** documents?
 - How can we **reduce the computational time** ?
- Papadimitriou et al. [5] investigated both aspects:
 1. Under certain constraints on the term-document matrix, semantically related documents are mapped to **similar vectors**
 2. Instead of LSI use **LSI by random projection**. This reduces the computational time:
 - Map the original term-document matrix into a lower dimensional space
 - Use LSI on the lower dimensional matrix
- In this presentation we focus on the **second** aspect

LSI by Random Projection

- In this section we will investigate the question "How we can speed up the computation": Informal formulation of the main theorem of this section (Theorem 5 original paper)
- Introduction of theorems and lemmas that are necessary for the proof of the main theorem
- Introduction: the main theorem (Theorem 5 original paper)
- Proof of the main theorem (Theorem 5 original paper)
- Computational savings achieved by LSI by random projection

Random Projection for Dimensionality Reduction

Given a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and a matrix $R \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell \times n}$. Use matrix R to represent the matrix A in lower dimensional space by preserving pairwise distances between any two points:

$$B = \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} \cdot R^T A \in \mathbb{R}^{\ell \times m}$$

Lemma (Johnson and Lindenstrauss [3])

Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be a unit vector, let H be a random ℓ -dimensional subspace through the origin, and let the random variable X denote the square of the length of the projection of v onto H . Suppose $0 < \epsilon < 0.5$, and $24 \log n < 1 < \sqrt{n}$. Then, $E[X] = \frac{\ell}{n}$, and

$$Pr(|X - \frac{\ell}{n}| > \epsilon \frac{\ell}{n}) < 2\sqrt{\ell} e^{-(\ell-1)\epsilon^2/4}$$

LSI by Random Projection

Two Step LSI

1. Apply a random projection onto ℓ dimensions, where ℓ is a small value greater than k , on A .

$$B = \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ r_1 & r_2 & \dots & r_\ell \\ | & | & \dots & | \end{pmatrix}^T \cdot A$$

2. Apply rank $O(k)$ LSI (because of the random projection, the number of singular values kept may have to be slightly increased).

This leads to an improved running time while preventing the expressiveness of the original matrix.

Background

Vector notations of SVD:

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i u_i v_i^T, \quad A_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^T, \quad B = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \lambda_i a_i b_i^T, \quad B_{2k} = A \sum_{i=1}^{2k} b_i b_i^T.$$

- A : original term-document matrix
- A_k : rank k approximation of A
- B : matrix after randomly projecting and scaling A
- B_{2k} : rank $2k$ approximation of A

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Lemma

Let ϵ be an arbitrary positive constant. If $\ell \geq c((\log n)/\epsilon^2)$ for a sufficiently large constant c then, for $p = 1, \dots, t$

$$\lambda_p^2 \geq \frac{1}{k} \left[(1 - \epsilon) \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i^2 - \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \lambda_j^2 \right].$$

Corollary

$$\sum_{p=1}^{2k} \lambda_p^2 \geq (1 - \epsilon) \|A_k\|_F^2.$$

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Lemma

$$\|A - A_k\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=k+1}^n \sigma_i^2.$$

Theorem (Parsevals identity [1])

Let b_1, \dots, b_n be an orthonormal basis for a space S . Then for each $s \in S$, $|s|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (sb_i)^2$.

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Now we can introduce the main theorem of this section:

Theorem

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 \leq \|A - A_k\|_F^2 + 2\epsilon \|A\|_F^2$$

where $\epsilon \in (0, 0.5)$

Informally, the theorem states that the original matrix A after applying random projection and then LSI is almost as good recovered as by using LSI on the original matrix.

LSI by Random Projection

Proof

We have

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i u_i v_i^T, \quad A_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^T, \quad B = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \lambda_i a_i b_i^T, \quad B_{2k} = A \sum_{i=1}^{2k} b_i b_i^T.$$

b_1, \dots, b_n Are orthonormal vectors spanning the row space of A and B_{2k} .
Hence using the Parseval's identity we can write:

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n |(A - B_{2k})b_i|^2. \quad (1)$$

For $i = 1, \dots, 2k$, because $b_i^T b_i = 1$ we have

$$(A - B_{2k})b_i = Ab_i - Ab_i = 0, \quad (2)$$

and for $i = 2k + 1, \dots, n$, because $b_i^T b_i = 0$ we have

$$(A - B_{2k})b_i = Ab_i. \quad (3)$$

Proof (continuation)

Now we continue from the equation

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n |(A - B_{2k})b_i|^2 \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_{i=2k+1}^n |Ab_i|^2 \quad (5)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n |Ab_i|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2 \quad (6)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Parseval's id.}}{=} \|A\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2 \quad (7)$$

Proof (continuation)

On the other hand, we have

$$\|A - A_k\|_F^2 \stackrel{\text{Lemma 5}}{=} \sum_{i=k+1}^n \sigma_i^2 \quad (8)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Frob. norm [4]}}{=} \|A\|_F^2 - \|A_k\|_F^2. \quad (9)$$

Proof (continuation)

Now we consider

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 - \|A - A_k\|_F^2 = \|A\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2 - (\|A\|_F^2 - \|A_k\|_F^2) \quad (10)$$

$$= \|A_k\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2, \quad (11)$$

that is equivalent to

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 = \|A - A_k\|_F^2 + (\|A_k\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2) \quad (12)$$

Proof (continuation)

For the next step, we show

$$(1 + \epsilon) \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2 \geq \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \lambda_i^2. \quad (13)$$

We write

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2k} \lambda_i^2 \stackrel{|Bb_i|=\lambda_i}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Bb_i|^2 \quad (14)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{subst. B}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \left| \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} R^T(Ab_i) \right|^2 \quad (15)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \frac{n}{\ell} |R^T(Ab_i)|^2 \quad (16)$$

Proof (continuation)

Now from the Johnson-Lindenstrauss lemma [3] for very large $\ell \in \Omega((\log n)/\epsilon^2)$ we have for each i

$$\frac{n}{\ell} |R^T(Ab_i)|^2 \leq (1 + \epsilon) |Ab_i|^2 \quad (17)$$

with high probability.

Hence with a high probability

$$(1 + \epsilon) \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2 \geq \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \lambda_i^2. \quad (18)$$

Proof (continuation)

Now we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2 \geq \frac{1}{(1 + \epsilon)} \sum_{i=1}^{2k} \lambda_i^2 \quad (19)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Cor. 4}}{\geq} \frac{(1 - \epsilon)}{(1 + \epsilon)} \|A_k\|_F^2 \quad (20)$$

$$\geq (1 - 2\epsilon) \|A_k\|_F^2 \quad (21)$$

i.e.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2 \geq (1 - 2\epsilon) \|A_k\|_F^2 \quad (22)$$

Proof (continuation)

Remember the Equation (12):

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 = \|A - A_k\|_F^2 + (\|A_k\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{2k} |Ab_i|^2) \quad (23)$$

Now we substitute the result of Equation (22) in equation (12):

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 \leq \|A - A_k\|_F^2 + \|A_k\|_F^2 - (1 - 2\epsilon)\|A_k\|_F^2 \quad (24)$$

$$\iff \|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 \leq \|A - A_k\|_F^2 + 2\epsilon\|A_k\|_F^2 \quad (25)$$

Due to the formulation of Frobenius norm as in Lemma 5, we have $\|A\|_F^2 \geq \|A_k\|_F^2$.

Hence

$$\|A - B_{2k}\|_F^2 \leq \|A - A_k\|_F^2 + 2\epsilon\|A\|_F^2. \quad (26)$$

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LSI by Random Projection

Computational time

Given the term-document matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$.

Runtime of standard LSI:

- LSI computation: $O(mnc)$ if A is sparse with about c nonzero entries per column

Runtime of LSI by random projection:

- Random projection to ℓ dimensions: $O(m\ell)$
- LSI computation: $O(m\ell^2)$
- Total time: $O(m\ell + m\ell^2) = O(m(c\ell + \ell^2))$, with $\ell \in O(\frac{\log n}{\epsilon^2})$
- Hence we get a total runtime: $O(m(\log^2 n + c \log n))$

$O(m(\log^2 n + c \log n))$ is asymptotically superior compared to $O(mnc)$

Summary and Conclusion

- Latent semantic analysis as SVD base technique for information retrieval
- Papadimitriou et al. analysed two important aspects [5]
 - Why does LSI find **semantically related** documents?
 - How can we **reduce the computational time** ? (Our main focus)
- LSI by random projection leads to a reduction of computation time, while preventing the expressiveness of the original matrix.
- Conclusion: SVD-based methods are powerful techniques to solve different types of problems. Newer techniques based on neural networks or graph neural networks

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