

## Dimension Reduction

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### 1 tSNE

**Definition 1.** Let  $p$  and  $q$  be two probabilist distribution on space  $\Omega$ , then the Kullback-Leibler divergence between  $p$  and  $q$  is

$$KL(p||q) := \int_{\Omega} p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$$

when  $p$  is continuous, and

$$KL(p||q) := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i}$$

when  $p$  is discrete.

**Proposition 1.**  $D(p||q) \geq 0$ ,  $KL(p||q) = 0 \iff p = q$ .

*Proof.*  $\Leftarrow$ : Trivial.

$\Rightarrow$ : Since  $\log x \leq x - 1$ ,  $\log x = x - 1 \iff x = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} KL(p||q) &= - \sum_i p_i \frac{q_i}{p_i} \\ &\geq - \sum_i p_i \left( \frac{q_i}{p_i} - 1 \right) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

and the inequality is equality if and only if  $\frac{q_i}{p_i} - 1 = 1$ , that is  $p_i = q_i$ ,  $\forall i$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.**  $K(x_i, x_j) := e^{-\frac{\|x_i - x_j\|^2}{2\sigma_i^2}}$ ,  $P_{ij} := \frac{K(x_i, x_j)}{\sum_{k \neq i} K(x_k, x_l)}$ ,  $\bar{P}_{ij} := \frac{P_{ij} + P_{ji}}{2}$ .

The t-distribution stochastic neighborhood embedding(tSNE) algorithm is to find the optimal  $Y = \{y_i\}_{i=1}^n$  to minimize the function

$$\min_Y KL(P||Q) = \sum_{i \neq j} P_{ij} \log \frac{P_{ij}}{Q_{ij}},$$

where  $Q_{ij} := \frac{K(y_i, y_j)}{\sum_{k \neq l} K(y_k, y_l)}$ .

**Remark 1.** The kernel has heavy tail so it decays slowly, so  $p$  could be fitted better when the dimension is high.

## 2 Convergence of Graph Laplacian

Let  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^D$  be the observed data set. Assume  $x_i$  is sampled from some  $d$  dimensional manifold  $M$  embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^D$ .

**Definition 3.**  $K_\epsilon(x, y) := (2\pi\epsilon)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \exp^{-\frac{\|x-y\|^2}{2\epsilon}}$  is called the heat kernel parametrized by  $\epsilon$ .

Recall the following definitions in the previous lectures:

**Definition 4.**  $W_{ij} := K_\epsilon(x_i, x_j)$ ,  $L_{n,\epsilon} := L_{rw} := I - P := I - D^{-1}W$ , where  $D = \text{diag}\{d_{ii}\}_{i=1}^n$ ,  $d_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij}$ .

The goal of this lecture is to prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** Assume  $x_i \sim p$ , let  $u(x) = -2 \log p(x)$ , then

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} L_{n,\epsilon} \xrightarrow[\epsilon \rightarrow 0]{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{2} \Delta_M - \nabla u \cdot \nabla,$$

where  $\Delta_M$  is the Beltrami-Laplacian operator on  $M$ . In particular, when  $x_i$  is sampled from uniform distribution,  $\nabla u = 0$ , so

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} L_{n,\epsilon} \xrightarrow[\epsilon \rightarrow 0]{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{2} \Delta_M.$$

*Proof.* We prove this theorem in two steps:

Step 1:  $\frac{1}{\epsilon} L_{n,\epsilon} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} L_\epsilon$ .

Step 2:  $\frac{1}{\epsilon} L_\epsilon \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} L = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta_M - \nabla u \cdot \nabla$ .

1. Proof of Step 1.

For any  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$[L_{n,\epsilon}(v)](i) = [(I - D^{-1}W)v](i) = v(i) - \frac{\sum_j W_{ij}v(j)}{D_{ii}},$$

where  $v(i)$  denotes the  $i$ -th coordinate of vector  $v$ . Rewrite  $L_{n,\epsilon}$  in term of kernel function:

$$[L_{n,\epsilon}(v)](i) = v(i) - \frac{\sum_j K_\epsilon(x_i, x_j)v(j)}{\sum_j K_\epsilon(x_i, x_j)}. \quad (1)$$

Then we can extend  $L_{n,\epsilon} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  to a operator  $\bar{L}_{n,\epsilon} : C^2(M) \rightarrow C(M)$ , defined by

$$[\bar{L}_{n,\epsilon}(f)](x) := f(x) - \frac{\sum_j K_\epsilon(x, x_j)f(x_j)}{\sum_j K_\epsilon(x, x_j)} \quad (2)$$

Suppose  $\psi$  is an eigenfunction of  $\bar{L}_{n,\epsilon}$ , that is,  $L_{n,\epsilon} = \lambda\phi$ , then the discrete version of  $\phi$ :  $(\phi(x_1), \dots, \phi(x_n))$  is an eigenvector of  $L_{n,\epsilon}$  associated with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

Assume  $x_i$  is sampled from uniform distribution, then by the Law of Large Numbers, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_j K_\epsilon(x, x_j) f(x_j) \rightarrow \int_M K_\epsilon(x, y) f(y) dV(y), \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_j K_\epsilon(x, x_j) \rightarrow \int_M K_\epsilon(x, y) dV(y), \quad (4)$$

where  $dV$  is the volume form of  $M$ . As a result,

$$\begin{aligned} [\bar{L}_{n,\epsilon} f](x) &\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} L_\epsilon = f(x) - \frac{\int_M K_\epsilon(x, y) f(y) dV(y)}{\int_M K_\epsilon(x, y) dV(y)} \\ &= f(x) - \frac{\int_M e^{-\frac{\|x-y\|^2}{2\epsilon}} f(y) dV(y)}{\int_M e^{-\frac{\|x-y\|^2}{2\epsilon}} dV(y)} \end{aligned}$$

## 2. Proof of Step 2.

(a) Consider the simplest case first:  $M = [0, 1]$ . Then (3) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{2\epsilon}} f(y) dy &= \int_{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}}^{\frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} f(x + \sqrt{\epsilon}z) \sqrt{\epsilon} dz \\ &= \sqrt{\epsilon} \int_{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}}^{\frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} [f(x) + \sqrt{\epsilon}z f'(x) + \frac{\epsilon z^2}{2} f''(x) + o(\epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}})] dz \\ &= \sqrt{\epsilon} (f(x) \int_{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}}^{\frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz + \frac{\epsilon}{2} f''(x) \int_{-\frac{x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}}^{\frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} z^2 dz + o(\epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}})) \\ &= \sqrt{2\pi\epsilon} (f(x) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} f''(x) + o(\epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}})). \end{aligned}$$

The last equation holds when  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small, since the odd order moments of standard normal distribution are all zero. Similarly, (4) could be written as

$$\int_0^1 e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{2\epsilon}} dy = \sqrt{2\pi\epsilon}.$$

As a result,

$$\begin{aligned} L_\epsilon &= f(x) - (f(x) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} f''(x) + o(\epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}})) = -\frac{\epsilon}{2} f''(x) - o(\epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}}), \\ \frac{1}{\epsilon} L_\epsilon f &\xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} -\frac{1}{2} f''. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) When the manifold is  $c(t) = \begin{bmatrix} t \\ at^2 + o(t^3) \end{bmatrix}$ . When the density is uniform, similar computation simplifies equation (3) as:

$$\int K_\epsilon(x, y) f(y) \, ds(y) = f(x) + c \frac{\epsilon}{2} (f''(x) + a^2 f(x)) + o(\epsilon^2) \quad (5)$$

When the density is  $p$ , (3)/(4) is

$$\frac{fp + c \frac{\epsilon}{2} ((fp)'' + a^2 fp + o(\epsilon^2))}{p + c \frac{\epsilon}{2} (p'' + 2f' \frac{p'}{p}) + o(\epsilon^2)} = f + c \frac{\epsilon}{2} (f'' + 2f' \frac{p'}{p}) + o(\epsilon^2).$$

As a result,

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \bar{L}_\epsilon(f) = c(f'' + 2f' \frac{p'}{p}) + o(\epsilon) \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} c(f'' - u' f'),$$

where  $u = -2 \log f$ .

- (c) For general case, that is  $d > 1$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \bar{L}_\epsilon \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \Delta_M f - \nabla u \cdot \nabla f.$$

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**Remark 2.** When  $d > 1$ , let  $\{s_1, \dots, s_d\}$  be the local orthonormal basis, then the correction term,  $a^2$  in (5), is

$$E(x) = \sum_{i=1}^d a_i(x) - \sum_{i \neq j} a_i(x) a_j(x),$$

where  $a_i(x)$  is the directional curvature of  $s_i$ .