Requirements:

- Discuss with your colleagues and help each other;
- Complete the report independently;
- The key of the following problems is a mathematical formulation. Therefore, you should answer these questions based on a mathematical equation instead of textural description;
- Note that: JMLR2003 is a journal extension of Science2000, which provides more details and you should pay more attention on this paper.
- Deadline: 22:30, Nov. 11 2017
- 1. Summary Notations in tables. The order should be in Alphabet, and you are encouraged to summary variables, vectors, matrix, and others are summarized into different tables. ~~thus, I could be easy to find who misses some notations.
- 2. explain `Locally' in the context of locally linear embedding in mathematics. This means you should find which part of the objective function of LLE reflect locally.
- 3. explain `linear" in the context of locally linear embedding in mathematics.
- 4. explain "embedding in the context of locally linear embedding in mathematics.
- 5. The assumption of LLE
- 6. The problems to be solved by LLE
- 7. The limitations of LLE
- 8. Can you explain the difference between PCA and LLE? (by comparing their objective functions, motivation, and problem to be addressed). What advantages of LLE over PCA?
- 9. Experimental results on mnist (used in the previous reports).
 - a) You should perform LLE on the training data and testing data independently.
 - b) After reducing the dim, perform K-nearest neighbor classifier (k=1) on the features to compute the classification accuracy
 - c) You should also investigate the influence of parameters of LLE. First, you should find what are the user-specified parameters of LLE? And then assign different values to these parameters and report the corresponding classification accuracy; To be exact, you should change the value of one parameter and fix the others. Try to analyze the result.
 - d) Compare LLE with PCA on classification task and 2-d visualization.