

Dimensionality Reduction

1. Background

In many fields of applications, we have to collect a huge amount of data with multi-variables, which is called high-dimensional dataset. Some of these variables may not be important or relative to our analysis. Some may have a lot of noises. In order to speed the analysis and get rid of useless information, we have to reduce dimension of dataset.

2. Dimensionality Reduction Methods

2.1 Feature Selection

Find major variables.

- *Lasso*
- *Elastic Net*

2.2 Linear Dimensionality Reduction

Variables are always linear correlated, transform data from the high-dimensional space to lower-dimensional space through projection.

- *PCA*
- *Kernel PCA*
- *LDA*
- *MDS*

2.3 Non-linear Dimensionality Reduction

- *Manifold learning*

3. Matrix Form

3.1 Data in matrix form

*Normally, a single sample is a **column vector**.*

$$X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)_{N \times P}^T, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R}^P, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x_1^T \\ \vdots \\ x_N^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdot & \cdot & x_{1P} \\ x_{21} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ x_{N1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & x_{NP} \end{pmatrix}_{N \times P}$$

3.2 Sample Mean Matrix

We define a vector called $\mathbb{1}_N$:

$$\mathbb{1}_N = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \dots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{N \times 1}$$

Iterate all samples to get P means:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{X}_{P \times 1} &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \underbrace{(x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad \cdot \quad x_N)}_{X^T} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \dots \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{N \times 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{N} X^T \mathbb{1}_N \end{aligned}$$

3.3 Sample Covariance Matrix

In 1-D space, the variance is:

$$S = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

While in higher dimension, the covariance matrix is:

$$S_{P \times P} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^T$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - \bar{x} & x_2 - \bar{x} & \dots & x_N - \bar{x} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (x_1 - \bar{x})^T \\ (x_2 - \bar{x})^T \\ \dots \\ (x_N - \bar{x})^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A. \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - \bar{x} & x_2 - \bar{x} & \dots & x_N - \bar{x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_N \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x} & \bar{x} & \dots & \bar{x} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= X^T - \bar{X} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= X^T - \bar{X} \mathbb{1}_N^T$$

$$= X^T - \frac{1}{N} X^T \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T$$

$$= X^T (I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T)$$

$$B. \begin{pmatrix} (x_1 - \bar{x})^T \\ (x_2 - \bar{x})^T \\ \dots \\ (x_N - \bar{x})^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^T \\ x_2^T \\ \dots \\ x_N^T \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \bar{x}^T \\ \bar{x}^T \\ \dots \\ \bar{x}^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (X^T (I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T))^T$$

$$= (I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T)^T X$$

$$\text{Set Centering Matrix } H_N = I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Then } S_{P \times P} &= \frac{1}{N} AB \\
&= \frac{1}{N} X^T (I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T) (I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T)^T X \\
&= \frac{1}{N} X^T H_N H_N^T X \\
&= \frac{1}{N} X^T H X
\end{aligned}$$

3.4 Centering Matrix

Zero-centering, subtract from mean.

$$\begin{aligned}
H_N &= H_N^T = I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T \\
H_N^2 &= H^T \cdot H \\
&= (I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T) (I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T) \\
&= I_N - \frac{2}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T - \frac{1}{N^2} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T \\
&= I_N - \frac{1}{N} \mathbb{1}_N \mathbb{1}_N^T \\
&= H \\
H^n &= H
\end{aligned}$$