

Measuring uniqueness

Let $D = \{S_1, \dots, S_N\}$ be a dataset of N individuals, in the form of $S_i = (A_1 = [a_1^1, a_2^1, \dots, a_m^1], \dots, A_k = [a_1^k, a_2^k, \dots, a_m^k])$, containing m readings for k activities, a_i^j is the value of the i -th reading for the j -th activity.

Considerations:

1. Assume to conduct the uniqueness analysis on each activity separately. In other words, we compute a uniqueness score $u_i(\cdot)$, for each activity A_i . Here, we can start by considering the top-3 activity that you have already identified using the KL-divergence.
2. Consider a threshold value th to match the reading

Uniqueness score:

Consider a positive integer x , we generate x random readings $I_i^x = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_x)$, for the activity A_i . An individual S_j is **compatible** with $I_i(x)$, if there exists x readings in S_j , $S_j^x = (A'_i = [a_{i1}^i, a_{i2}^i, \dots, a_{ix}^i])$ such that $|a_{i1}^i - i_1| \leq th, \dots, |a_{ix}^i - i_x| \leq th$ (i.e., all the reading are matched within a threshold).

Furthermore, let $|D(I_i^x)|$ denote the number of individuals in D that are compatible with I_i^x . Then an individual is **uniquely identified** by I_i^x if $|D(I_i^x)| = 1$. Let $u_1(x)$ denote the fraction of time-series in D for which $|D(I_i^x)| \leq 1$.

TODO: Compute the uniqueness for the top-3 activities with $x \in \{1, \dots, 5\}$ and

- $th \in \{1, 5\}$ for discrete activities (e.g., number of steps)
- $th \in \{0.1, 0.2\}$ for real-value activities (e.g., distance-based activities)

Example.

$D = \{S_1, S_2, S_3\} = \{[10, 13, 5], [0, 13, 10], [10, 5, 6]\}$

$x = 1$

$\{(0), (5), (6), (10), (13)\}$ universe of 1-reading from the data

I^1 list of matching individuals

$(0) \rightarrow \{S_2\}$

$(5) \rightarrow \{S_1, S_3\}$

$(6) \rightarrow \{S_3\}$

$(10) \rightarrow \{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$

$(13) \rightarrow \{S_1, S_2\}$

$u_1(1) = 2/3 \rightarrow$ because only S_2 and S_3 are uniquely identified

$x = 2$

$\{(0, 10), (0, 13), (5, 6), (10, 5), (10, 6), (10, 13), (13, 5)\}$ universe of 2-readings from the data

I^2 list of matching individuals

$(0, 10) \rightarrow \{S_2\}$

$(0, 13) \rightarrow \{S_2\}$

$(5, 6) \rightarrow \{S_3\}$

$(10, 5) \rightarrow \{S_1, S_2\}$

$(10, 6) \rightarrow \{S_3\}$

$(10, 13) \rightarrow \{S_1\}$

$(13, 5) \rightarrow \{S_1\}$

$u_1(2) = 3/3$ all the individuals can be uniquely identified with 2 readings