Semi-Supervised Locally Linear Embedding (SSLLE)

Application & Sensitivity Analysis of Critical Hyperparameters

0 AGENDA

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 - 2 Semi-supervised SSLLE
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1 PROBLEM MANIFOLD LEARNING

Situation. Rapidly increasing amount of data thanks to novel applications and data sources

Problem. High data dimensionality detrimental to

- → Model functionality
- \rightarrow Interpretability
- → Generalization ability

Manifold assumption. Data in high-dimensional observation space truly sampled from low-dimensional manifold



How to find a meaningful, structure-preserving embedding?

1 PROBLEM MANIFOLD LEARNING

Formal goal of manifold learning.

- ightarrow **Given.** Data $\mathcal{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, ..., \mathbf{x}_N)$, with $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^D \ \forall i \in \{1, 2, ..., N\}$ and $N, D \in \mathbb{N}$, supposedly lying on d-dimensional manifold \mathcal{M} $\Rightarrow \psi : \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{R}^d$ with $d \ll D, d \in \mathbb{N}$ $\Rightarrow \mathcal{X} \sim \mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{R}^D$
- ightarrow Goal. Find *d*-dimensional Euclidean representation $\Rightarrow \mathcal{Y} = (\mathbf{y_1}, \mathbf{y_2}, ..., \mathbf{y_N})$, with $\mathbf{y_i} = \psi(\mathbf{x_i}) \in \mathbb{R}^d \ \forall i \in \{1, 2, ..., N\}$.

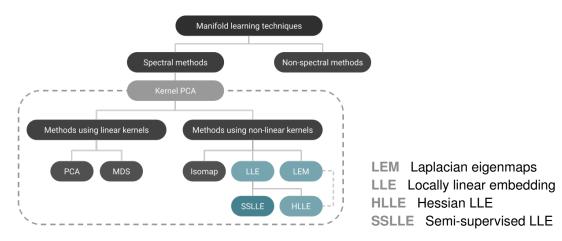




2 LGML

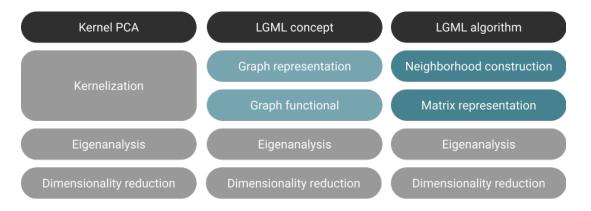
2 LGML TAXONOMY

Landscape. Various approaches, many of which may be translated into one another



2 LGML CONCEPT

Idea. Capture intrinsic geometry, find principal axes of variability, retain most salient ones



2 LGML CONCEPT

Graph representation. Constructing a skeletal model of the manifold in \mathbb{R}^D

Vertices. Given by observations **Edges.** Present between neighboring points

- \rightarrow Typically, k-neighborhoods
- → Edge weights determined by nearness

Graph functional. Belief about intrinsic manifold properties at the heart of each method

ightarrow Smoothness LEM

LEM

ightarrow Local linearity LLE SSLLE

→ Curviness HLLE

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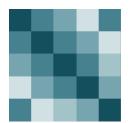
Achievements: non-linearity & locality

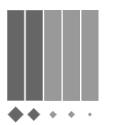
2 LGML CONCEPT

Eigenanalysis. Finding axes of variability in intrinsic manifold structure

- ightarrow Matrix representation of manifold properties
- → Assessment through eigenanalysis
 - → Directions of variability ⇒ eigenvectors
 - → Respective degrees of variability ⇒ eigenvalues

Dimensionality reduction. Projection into subspace spanned by *d* principal eigenvectors







3 TECHNIQUES

3.1 UNSUPERVISED LEM

Proposal. Belkin and Niyogi (2001)

Idea. Forcing nearby inputs to be mapped to nearby outputs

- \rightarrow Notion of smoothness in mapping function
- \rightarrow Second-order penalty on gradient

Graph Laplacian. Discrete approximation of Laplace-Beltrami operator

- \to Weight matrix. $\mathbf{W} = (\mathbf{w})_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$, where $\mathbf{w}_{ij} = \mathbf{w}_{ij} (\|\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_j\|^2)$
- o Graph Laplacian. $extbf{\emph{L}} = extbf{\emph{D}} extbf{\emph{W}} \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes N}, extbf{\emph{D}} = diag(\sum_i w_{ii}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes N}$

Generalized eigenvalue problem.

$$\min_{\mathcal{Y}} trace(\mathcal{Y}^T \mathbf{L} \mathcal{Y}), \quad \text{s.t. } \mathcal{Y}^T \mathbf{D} \mathcal{Y} = \mathbf{I}$$
 (1)

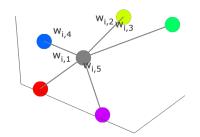
Solution: bottom d + 1 eigenvectors

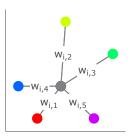
3.1 UNSUPERVISED LLE

Proposal. Roweis and Saul (2000)

Idea. Preserving locally linear reconstructions

- ightarrow Linear reconstruction of points in \mathbb{R}^D by their neighbors
- → Reconstruction weights = topological properties
- → Neighborhood patches invariant to dimensionality reduction





3.1 UNSUPERVISED LLE

Reconstruction loss minimization. Finding optimal reconstruction weights

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{W}} \varepsilon(\boldsymbol{W}) = \min_{\boldsymbol{W}} \sum_{i} \left\| \boldsymbol{x}_{i} - \sum_{i} w_{ij} \boldsymbol{x}_{j} \right\|^{2}, \quad \text{s.t. } \boldsymbol{1}^{T} \boldsymbol{w}_{i} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \{1, 2, ..., N\}$$
 (2)

Embedding loss minimization. Finding optimal embedding coordinates

$$\min_{\mathcal{Y}} \Phi(\mathcal{Y}) = \min_{\mathcal{Y}} \sum_{i} \left\| \mathbf{y}_{i} - \sum_{i} w_{ij} \mathbf{y}_{i} \right\|^{2}, \quad \text{s.t. } \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} \mathbf{y}_{i} \mathbf{y}_{i}^{T} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \sum_{i} \mathbf{y}_{i} = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall i \in \{1, 2, ..., N\}$$
(3)

Eigenvalue problem. Define $\mathbf{E} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{W})^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{W})$ and set $\tilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \mathcal{Y}^T$, such that

$$\min_{\tilde{\mathcal{Y}}} trace(\tilde{\mathcal{Y}}^T \mathbf{E} \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}), \quad \text{s.t. } \frac{1}{N} \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}^T \tilde{\mathcal{Y}} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}^T \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{0}. \tag{4}$$

Solution: bottom d + 1 eigenvectors

3.1 UNSUPERVISED HLLE

Proposal. Donoho and Grimes (2003)

Idea. Finding a truly locally linear mapping while preserving local isometry

- ightarrow Second-order penalty on Hessian
- ightarrow Strong convergence guarantees for limit case

Hessian functional. Measuring average curviness over ${\mathcal M}$

- o Continuous functional. $\mathscr{H}(f) = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \left\| m{H}_f^{\mathsf{loc}}(m{p})
 ight\|_F^2 dm{p}$
- o Empirical approximator. $\mathcal{H}_{ij}=\sum_{\ell}\sum_{m}(m{H}_{\ell})_{m,i}(m{H}_{\ell})_{m,j}$ with local Hessian estimators $m{H}_{\ell}$
- ightarrow Finding null space of ${\cal H}$

Solution: bottom d + 1 eigenvectors + scaling

3.2 SEMI-SUPERVISED SSLLE

Proposal. Yang et al. (2006)

Idea. Improving LLE by use of prior knowledge

3.3 CHALLENGES CRITICAL PARAMETERS

Intrinsic dimensionality. True sources of variability

→ Considered known with availability of prior information

Neighborhood size. Global vs local structure

→ Tunable (expensive)

Regularization constant. Singularity for D < k

→ Heuristics

Number & location of prior points. Utility of prior knowledge

ANALYSIS

 \rightarrow Exploration vs labeling cost

Noise level. Quality of prior knowledge ANALYSIS

→ How exact must prior information be?

Confidence parameter. Belief in prior knowledge

→ Rather robust

4 SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

4.1 SETUP SCENARIOS

4.1 SETUP EVALUATION

4.2 RESULTS FOO

5 DISCUSSION

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