## Semi-Supervised Locally Linear Embedding (SSLLE)

**Application & Sensitivity Analysis of Critical Hyperparameters** 

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- 1 Problem
- 2 Local graph-based manifold learning (LGML)
- 3 Techniques
  - 1 Unsupervised
  - 2 Semi-supervised SSLLE
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- 4 Sensitivity analysis
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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
- → 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  $\mathbf{y_i} = \psi(\mathbf{x_i}) \in \mathbb{R}^d \ \forall i \in \{1, 2, ..., N\}$ .

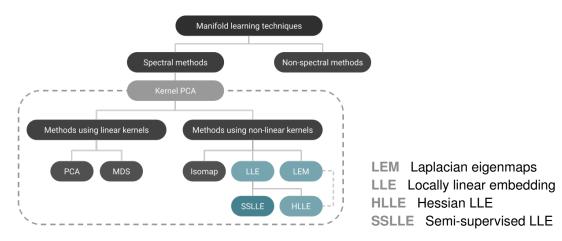




# 2 LGML

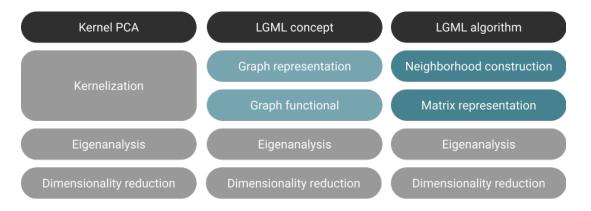
#### 2 LGML TAXONOMY

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
- ightarrow Local linearity LLE SSLLE
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- ightarrow Curvature  $oxed{HLLE}$

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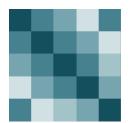
Achievements: non-linearity & locality

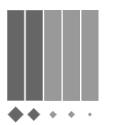
## 2 LGML CONCEPT

### 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
- ightarrow Second-order penalty on large gradients

Graph Laplacian. Coercing neighborhood graph information into a matrix

- $\to$  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.  $extbf{\emph{L}} = extbf{\emph{D}} extbf{\emph{W}} \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes N}, extbf{\emph{D}} = extit{diag}(\sum_i extbf{\emph{w}}_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes N}$

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)

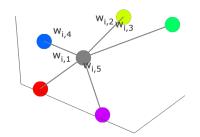
Solution: bottom d + 1 eigenvectors

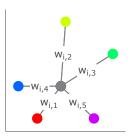
## 3.1 UNSUPERVISED LLE

## 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. Minimizing mapping curvature while preserving local isometry

## 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

 $\rightarrow$  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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