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2 Background Research

2.1 Correlation Analysis

2.2 Dimensionality Reduction

It is always challenging to analyse a dataset with high-dimensional data points. Due to the curse of dimensionality, which was discovered by Richard Ernest Bellman in 1961, higher dimensional space increases the difficulties of analysing and organising data exponentially[1]. Especially in machine learning, given a certain number of samples, the accuracy of predictions on these samples will increase followed by the rising dimensions to a peak but then gradually drop. This is known as Hughes phenomenon[4].

In order to reduce the dimensionality, there are two approaches can be implemented:

- Feature Selection:
- Feature Extraction:

The reasons and benefits of executing dimensionality reduction can be summarised as follow:

- 1. Computational efficiency
- 2. Statistical generalisation
- 3. Better explanation

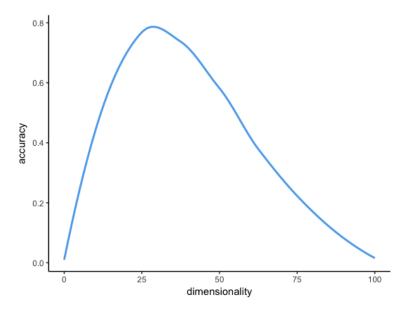


Figure 1: Hughes phenomenon

2.2.1 Principal Component Analysis

2.3 Clustering

Clustering, cluster analysis or data segmentation is a non-parametric algorithm in the subtree of unsupervised learning. It is used to separate data into different groups using their natural dissimilarities. Unlike supervised learning, this type of learning algorithms does not have any indicator for assessing the quality of results, and this means that it does not have any meaning or objective itself. Instead, it discovers the distribution of data and uses the definition given by people who have the specific domain knowledge. By giving the rules for partitioning data self-defined meanings, useful information can be obtained and utilised in different domains[3].

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2.3.1 K-means Clustering

An example of a reference: [2].

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