

6.047 Problem Set 4 Writeup

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1 Simulated GWAS

(a) β_i and SNP odds ratio

(b), (c)

See `simulated_gwas.py`.

(d) Bonferroni Correction

If we are using a significance level of $\alpha = 0.05$, then the p -value needed for significance according to the Bonferroni correction is $\frac{0.05}{m}$. The Bonferroni correction is necessary when performing GWAS because we are conducting multiple significance tests simultaneously; if we continued to only use α , then by chance alone $m \times 0.05$ SNPs would be statistically significant at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level.

(e) Hyperparameters

Accuracy (AC) ($\frac{TP+TN}{TP+TN+FP+FN}$)

Precision (PRC) ($\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$)

Recall (RCL) ($\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$)

Hyperparameters	TP	FP	TN	FN	AC	PRC	RCL
$n = 10000, k = 100$ $m = 1000, s = 0.25$	8	0	900	92	0.908	1.00	0.08
$n = 1000, k = 100$ $m = 1000, s = 0.25$	0	1	899	100	0.899	0.00	0.00
$n = 100000, k = 100$ $m = 1000, s = 0.25$	49	0	900	51	0.959	1.00	0.49
$n = 10000, k = 100$ $m = 10000, s = 0.25$	8	0	9900	92	0.991	1.00	0.08
$n = 10000, k = 100$ $m = 1000, s = 0.5$	10	0	900	90	0.910	1.00	0.10
$n = 10000, k = 100$ $m = 1000, s = 0.1$	3	0	900	97	0.903	1.00	0.03

The Bonferroni correction is conservative in categorizing SNPs as contributors to the “affected” phenotype; that is, recall tends to be very low (across all hyperparameter settings), while precision is high (typically 1.00).

As the number of samples increases (i.e. the number of people n), accuracy, precision, and recall all improve. As the standard deviation s of the disease related SNPs increases, so too does recall. When the number of SNPs m increases, accuracy increases as the model tends to correctly classify negatives, but recall remains low.

2 Finding eQTLs

(a) Principal Components Analysis

(b) Finding eQTLs via Linear Regression

For every SNP x_i , we find the mean and variance (μ_i, σ_i^2) of the correlation coefficients r_{ij} that x_i has with expression of gene y_j . In this way, we are determining the “typical” contribution of SNP x_i to any gene. We then select the SNP and gene pairs (x_i, e_j) for which r_{ij} is statistically significant under the null hypothesis $H_0 : \rho_{ij} = \mu_i$ (i.e. contribution of x_i to y_j is typical).

To implement the Bonferroni correction, we test each hypothesis that SNP x_i contributes to the expression of gene y_j with significance of $\alpha/5000$, where $\alpha = 0.05$ (since we are testing 5000 different genes corresponding to 5000 different hypotheses).

(c) Additional Datasets

3 Convolutional Neural Networks

(a) Implementation

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#!/usr/bin/env python

from keras.models import *
from keras.layers import *
import keras

import numpy as np

from datetime import datetime

import alternative_models as models

import argparse

BATCH_SIZE = 10
NUM_EPOCHS = 20
KERNEL_SIZE = (4, 4)
POOL_SIZE = (4, 6)
HIDDEN_UNITS = 32
CONV_FILTERS = 32
MODEL_NAME = None

def get_x_y_data():
    negative_data = []
    with open('negativedata.txt') as f:
        for line in f:
            final_mat = np.zeros((4, len(line)-1, 1))
            for i in range(len(line)):
                char = line[i]
                if char == 'a':
                    final_mat[:, i, :] = np.array([[1], [0], [0], [0]])
                if char == 'c':
                    final_mat[:, i, :] = np.array([[0], [1], [0], [0]])
                if char == 'g':
                    final_mat[:, i, :] = np.array([[0], [0], [1], [0]])
                if char == 't':
                    final_mat[:, i, :] = np.array([[0], [0], [0], [1]])
            negative_data.append(final_mat)

    positive_data = []
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with open('positivedata.txt') as f:

    for line in f:
        final_mat = np.zeros((4,len(line)-1,1))
        for i in range(len(line)):
            char = line[i]
            if char == 'a':
                final_mat[:,i,:] = np.array([[1],[0],[0],[0]])
            if char == 'c':
                final_mat[:,i,:] = np.array([[0],[1],[0],[0]])
            if char == 'g':
                final_mat[:,i,:] = np.array([[0],[0],[1],[0]])
            if char == 't':
                final_mat[:,i,:] = np.array([[0],[0],[0],[1]])
        positive_data.append(final_mat)

X = np.array(negative_data + positive_data)
y = np.array([0] * len(negative_data) + [1] * len(positive_data))
y = keras.utils.to_categorical(y)

X_neg = X[:len(negative_data), ...]
X_pos = X[len(negative_data):, ...]
y_neg = y[:len(negative_data), ...]
y_pos = y[len(negative_data):, ...]

return X_neg, X_pos, y_neg, y_pos

def create_model():
    model = Sequential()
    model.add(Conv2D(CONV_FILTERS,
                     input_shape=(4, 100, 1),
                     kernel_size=KERNEL_SIZE,
                     activation="relu",
                     padding="same"))
    model.add(MaxPool2D(pool_size=POOL_SIZE))
    model.add(Flatten())
    model.add(Dense(HIDDEN_UNITS, activation="relu"))
    model.add(Dense(2, activation="softmax")) # same as 1 output sigmoid
    return model

MODEL_FUNC = create_model

def main():
    np.random.seed(1)

    TRAIN_TEST_FRAC = 0.9

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DATASET_SIZE = 5000
# 10000 x (4, 100, 1) images total (5000 examples each)
SPLIT = int(TRAIN_TEST_FRAC * DATASET_SIZE)

Xn, Xp, yn, yp = get_x_y_data()
shuffled_order = np.arange(0, DATASET_SIZE)
np.random.shuffle(shuffled_order)
Xn, Xp = Xn[shuffled_order, ...], Xp[shuffled_order, ...]
yn, yp = yn[shuffled_order, ...], yp[shuffled_order, ...]

X_train = np.vstack((Xn[:SPLIT, ...], Xp[:SPLIT, ...]))
y_train = np.vstack((yn[:SPLIT, ...], yp[:SPLIT, ...]))

X_test = np.vstack((Xn[SPLIT:, ...], Xp[SPLIT:, ...]))
y_test = np.vstack((yn[SPLIT:, ...], yp[SPLIT:, ...]))

print(X_train.shape)

# define model
model = MODEL_FUNC()
model.compile(loss="categorical_crossentropy",
              optimizer="adam",
              metrics=["accuracy"])

start = datetime.now()

if MODEL_NAME == "lstm":
    X_train = X_train.squeeze()
    X_train = np.swapaxes(X_train, 1, 2)
    X_test = X_test.squeeze()
    X_test = np.swapaxes(X_test, 1, 2)

model.fit(X_train, y_train, epochs=NUM_EPOCHS, batch_size=BATCH_SIZE)
end = datetime.now()

scores = model.evaluate(X_test, y_test)

print("\n{:}: {:.2f}%".format(model.metrics_names[1], scores[1] * 100))
print("elapsed: {}".format(str(end - start)))

if __name__ == "__main__":
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
    parser.add_argument(
        "-b", "--batch_size",
        help="Number of examples per batch",
        type=int)

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parser.add_argument(
    "-e", "--epochs",
    help="Number of epochs to train over",
    type=int)
parser.add_argument(
    "-k", "--kernel",
    help="height,width tuple representing size of kernel.",
    type=str)
parser.add_argument(
    "-p", "--pool",
    help="height,width tuple representing size of pool.",
    type=str)
parser.add_argument(
    "-u", "--hidden_units",
    help="Number of hidden units for the Dense layer",
    type=int)
parser.add_argument(
    "-f", "--num_filters",
    help="Number of filters for the Conv layer",
    type=int)
parser.add_argument(
    "-m", "--model",
    help="Use a particular model implemented in alternative_models.py",
    type=str)

args = parser.parse_args()

if args.batch_size:
    BATCH_SIZE = args.batch_size

if args.epochs:
    NUM_EPOCHS = args.epochs

if args.kernel:
    height, width = map(int, args.kernel.split(","))
    KERNEL_SIZE = (height, width)

if args.pool:
    height, width = map(int, args.pool.split(","))
    POOL_SIZE = (height, width)

if args.hidden_units:
    HIDDEN_UNITS = args.hidden_units

if args.num_filters:
    CONV_FILTERS = args.num_filters

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if args.model:
    MODEL_NAME = args.model
    MODEL_FUNC = getattr(models, args.model)

main()

# acc: 94.70%
# elapsed: 0:00:56.455801

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(b) Layers

Layer	Output Shape	No. of Parameters
Conv2D	(4, 100, 32)	544
MaxPooling2D	(1, 16, 32)	0
Flatten	(512)	0
Dense	(32)	16416
Dense	(2)	66

Convolutional layer. The convolutional layer slides filters (32, in this case) in order to capture local patterns in an image or sequence. Convolution is useful for finding features that provide valuable predictive power for later layers in the network.

Max Pooling layer. The max pooling layer has two main effects: it reduces the dimensionality of the network, allowing it to converge faster and reduce chance of overfitting. At the same time, max pooling also aggregates features that are found at the local level, keeping the most salient to be processed later in the network.

Flatten layer. The Flatten layer reshapes the two dimensional output of the max pooling layer into a single dimensional input that can be fed into the fully connected (“Dense”) layers.

Dense(32). The Dense layer, also known as a “fully connected” layer, attempts to take a global consideration of all the lower-level features that were extracted earlier in the network, and outputs a series of higher level features that use the lower-level features as building blocks.

Dense(2). The final Dense layer is the decision layer, outputting whether or not the network classifies the sequence as *positive* or *negative*. This layer could also be a single output layer with “sigmoid” activation (rather than “softmax”).

(c) Hyperparameters

Model	Hyperparameters	AC (Train)	AC (Test)	Time
many_epochs	epochs = 300	100.00%	94.80%	00:13:02
	batch_size = 10			
	kernel_size = (4, 4)			
	pool_size = (4, 6)			
	hidden_units = 32			
many_filters	num_filters = 32	99.32%	95.60%	00:35:37
	epochs = 50			
	batch_size = 10			
	kernel_size = (4, 4)			
	pool_size = (4, 6)			
wide_network	hidden_units = 32	97.56%	93.50%	00:02:34
	num_filters = 1024			
	epochs = 50			
	batch_size = 10			
	kernel_size = (4, 4)			
	pool_size = (4, 24)			
	hidden_units = 512			
	num_filters = 32			

Many epochs. This model was trained on 300 epochs, or 300 runs through the training data. As expected, the accuracy on the training data was 100% (fit perfectly), while the accuracy on the test data did not improve significantly (which was surprising, as I had expected a decrease in performance). This signals, however, that the training data and test data are indeed generated from the same distribution, such that even fitting the training data exactly allows predictive power into the test data.

Many filters. The idea behind increasing the number of output filters of the Convolutional layer was driven by the notion that the Convolutional layer provided the more important analysis of the low-level, local patterns that characterized *positive* sequences from *negative* ones. This intuition was validated in the increased performance on the test set.

Wide network. In this third setting of hyperparameters, the size of the Dense layer was expanded to be particularly wide; the idea was to try to allow more higher level features to be formed. However, the test accuracy decreased, likely because the number of lower-level features was not increased, and so the additional width to the Dense layer only increased the capacity of the network to overfit.

(d) Architectures

Model	Architecture	AC (Train)	AC (Test)	Time
deep_conv_net	Conv2D(32, (4, 6))	99.36%	98.10%	00:10:25
	Conv2D(64, (4, 3))			
	MaxPool((4, 6))			
	Conv2D(128, (4, 3))			
	Conv2D(1024, (1, 1))			
	Dense(64)			
	Dense(2)			
fully_connected	Dense(1024)	99.58%	93.20%	00:03:02
	Dense(256)			
	Dense(512)			
	Dense(2)			
lstm	LSTM(64)	98.40%	98.30%	00:23:17
	Dense(2)			

Deep convolutional network. Convolutional layers are able to capture low-level features, as well as local structures in the data; stacking convolutional layers allows for higher and more complex patterns to be discovered, while also expanding the size of the patterns that are considered. As such, we see an increased test set accuracy of 98.10%.

Fully connected network. The fully connected network performed suboptimally compared to the other networks because it failed to capture the local structure of sequences in its design. Rather, the fully connected network considered the entire sequence at once, discovering connections that may not exist, or obscuring patterns with the sheer number of parameters.

Recurrent network. The image we are feeding into the network is actually a sequence of nucleotides. Recurrent networks were designed to work well on sequential data. In some sense, recurrent networks are like the convolutional layers we were using previously, but are more suited for arbitrary sequences. Particularly with LSTMs, which enables recurrent networks to handle longer sequences, using a recurrent model to handle biological sequences is particularly appropriate. This is also apparent in the test accuracy of the model, which is the highest out of all the models at 98.3%.