# Structured Matrix Completion with Applications to Genomic Data Integration

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# Genomic Data Integration

- In genomics, often analyze data drawn from multiple studies/sources
  - E.g., combine separate studies conducted using different architecture
  - E.g., funding for NGS in a subset of patients, but SNP chip for the rest
  - E.g., may have other data for some patients (miRNA, methylation)
- Complete case analysis reduces power, and may bias associations
- The observed data are full rows (patients) and columns (loci) of the data matrix A; the missing data form a rectangular submatrix of A
  - Take advantage of the missingness structure to impute missing values

# Structured Matrix Completion

• For  $p_1 \times p_2$  matrix A, observe  $m_1 < p_1$  rows and  $m_2 < p_2$  columns:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} m_2 & p_2 - m_2 \\ A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & (A_{22}) \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{c} m_1 \\ p_1 - m_1 \end{array}$$

- Goal: fill in the missing block  $A_{22}$ , given fully observed  $A_{11}$ ,  $A_{12}$ ,  $A_{21}$
- $\bullet$  Problem:  $A_{22}$  could be anything, without some assumptions about A
- Solution: Assume A is approximately low-rank sensible in genomics

## Exact Low-Rank Matrix

Proposition 1: Suppose A is of rank r, the SVD of  $A_{11}$  is  $A_{11} = U\Sigma V^T$ , where  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times r}, \Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$ , and  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{p_2 \times r}$ . If

$$\operatorname{rank}([\begin{array}{cc} A_{11} & A_{12} \end{array}]) = \operatorname{rank}\left(\left[\begin{array}{c} A_{11} \\ A_{21} \end{array}\right]\right) = \operatorname{rank}(A) = r,$$

then  $rank(A_{11}) = r$  and  $A_{22}$  is exactly given by

$$A_{22} = A_{21}(A_{11})^{\dagger}A_{12} = A_{21}V(\Sigma)^{-1}U^{T}A_{12}.$$

• Simple, analytic solution, but  $(A_{11})^{\dagger}$  is not continuous in  $A_{11}$ , so this method does not give approximate  $A_{22}$  for approximately low-rank A

# Approximate Low-Rank Matrix

- Definition: A is approximately rank r if there is a significant gap between the rth and (r+1)th singular values,  $\sigma_r(A)$  and  $\sigma_{r+1}(A)$ , and the tail  $\left(\sum_{k\geq r+1}\sigma_k^q(A)\right)^{1/q}$  is small.
- Let  $A = U\Sigma V$  be the SVD of an approximately low-rank matrix A and partition  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times p_1}, \Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{p_1 \times p_2}, V \in \mathbb{R}^{p_2 \times p_2}$  into blocks as

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} r & p_1 - r \\ U_{11} & U_{12} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad m_1 \\ p_1 - m_1$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad r \\ p_1 - r$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} V_{11} & V_{12} \\ V_{21} & V_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad m_2 \\ p_2 - m_2$$

# Approximate Low-Rank Matrix

$$\begin{split} A &= U \Sigma V^{T} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ U_{21} & U_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{1} & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_{11}^{T} & V_{21}^{T} \\ V_{12}^{T} & V_{22}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} \\ U_{21} \end{bmatrix} \Sigma_{1} \begin{bmatrix} V_{11}^{T} & V_{21}^{T} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} U_{12} \\ U_{22} \end{bmatrix} \Sigma_{2} \begin{bmatrix} V_{12}^{T} & V_{22}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} \Sigma_{1} V_{11}^{T} & U_{11} \Sigma_{1} V_{21}^{T} \\ U_{21} \Sigma_{1} V_{11}^{T} & U_{21} \Sigma_{1} V_{21}^{T} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} U_{12} \Sigma_{2} V_{12}^{T} & U_{12} \Sigma_{2} V_{22}^{T} \\ U_{22} \Sigma_{2} V_{12}^{T} & U_{22} \Sigma_{2} V_{22}^{T} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= A_{\max(r)} + A_{-\max(r)}, \end{split}$$

where  $A_{\max(r)}$  is a rank-r approximation to A with the largest r singular values, and  $A_{-\max(r)}$  has small singular values. Then by Proposition 1:

$$U_{21}\Sigma_1 V_{21}^T = (U_{21}\Sigma_1 V_{11}^T)(U_{11}\Sigma_1 V_{11}^T)^{-1}(U_{11}\Sigma_1 V_{21}^T)$$

# Known "Rank" r

- ullet Define the notation  $M_{ullet k}:=\left[egin{array}{c} M_{1k} \ M_{2k} \end{array}
  ight]$  and  $M_{kullet}:=\left[egin{array}{c} M_{k1} & M_{k2} \end{array}
  ight]$
- When r is known, we can estimate  $A_{22}$  by estimating  $U_{\bullet 1}$  and  $V_{\bullet 1}$  using the r principal components of  $A_{\bullet 1}$  and  $A_{1\bullet}$  as described below:

Algorithm 1 Structured Matrix Completion with a Known "Rank" r

- **1** Input:  $A_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times m_2}, A_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{(p_1 m_1) \times m_2}, A_{21} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times (p_2 m_2)}$
- ② Calculate the SVD of  $A_{\bullet 1}=U^{(1)}\Sigma^{(1)}V^{(1)T}, A_{1 \bullet}=U^{(2)}\Sigma^{(2)}V^{(2)T}$
- ullet Estimate the column space of  $U_{11}$  and  $V_{11}$  by  $\hat{M}=U_{[,1:r]}^{(2)}, \hat{N}=V_{[,1:r]}^{(1)}$
- Estimate  $A_{22}$  as  $\hat{A}_{22} = A_{21} \hat{N} (\hat{M}^T A_{11} \hat{N})^{-1} \hat{M}^T A_{12}$ 
  - ullet Problem: Algorithm 1 assumes r is known, but r is generally unknown
- Solution: First estimate r with some  $\hat{r}$ , then run Algorithm 1 using  $\hat{r}$

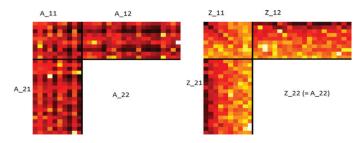
#### Unknown "Rank" r

The algorithm to recover  $A_{22}$  when r is unknown has three steps:

**1** Rotate  $A_{\bullet 1}$  and  $A_{1 \bullet}$  by SVD to move significant factors to the front:

$$A_{\bullet 1} = U^{(1)} \Sigma^{(1)} V^{(1)T}, A_{1 \bullet} = U^{(2)} \Sigma^{(2)} V^{(2)T}$$

$$\implies Z = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{11} & Z_{12} \\ Z_{21} & Z_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} U^{(2)T} A_{11} V^{(1)} & U^{(2)T} A_{12} \\ A_{21} V^{(1)} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

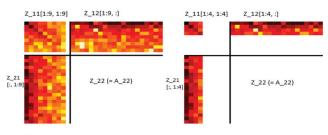


- (a) heatmap of block-wise A
- (b) heatmap of block-wise Z after rotation

Figure 1. Illustrative example with  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{30 \times 30}$ ,  $m_1 = m_2 = 10$ . (A darker block corresponds to larger magnitude.)

## Unknown "Rank" r

- ② If A were exactly rank-r, the  $[r+1,\ldots,m_1]$  rows and  $[r+1,\ldots,m_2]$  columns of Z would be zero, but they are nonzero (yet small) due to the perturbation  $A_{\max(r)}$ . So, since we want  $A_{\max(r)}$ , the best rank-r approximation to A, ignore these rows/columns and use the first r.
  - However, r is unknown, so estimate it by the largest  $\hat{r}$  such that  $Z_{11,[1:\hat{r},1:\hat{r}]}$  is nonsingular and  $\sigma_1(Z_{21,[1:\hat{r},1:\hat{r}]}Z_{11,[1:\hat{r},1:\hat{r}]}^{-1}) \leq 2\sqrt{\frac{p_1}{m_1}}$ .
- **3** As before, estimate  $A_{22}$  as  $\hat{A}_{22} = \hat{Z}_{22} = Z_{21,[,1:\hat{r}]}Z_{11,[1:\hat{r},1:\hat{r}]}^{-1}Z_{12,[1:\hat{r},]}$



## Unknown "Rank" r

Algorithm 2 Structured Matrix Completion with an Unknown "Rank" r

- Input:  $A_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times m_2}$ ,  $A_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{(p_1 m_1) \times m_2}$ ,  $A_{21} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times (p_2 m_2)}$ , thresholding level  $T_R$  (or  $T_C$ )
- ② Calculate the SVD of  $A_{\bullet 1} = U^{(1)} \Sigma^{(1)} V^{(1)T}, A_{1 \bullet} = U^{(2)} \Sigma^{(2)} V^{(2)T}$
- **3** Calculate  $Z_{11} = U^{(2)T}A_{11}V^{(1)}, Z_{12} = U^{(2)T}A_{12}, Z_{21} = A_{21}V^{(1)}$
- **3** Estimate the column space of  $U_{11}$  and  $V_{11}$  by  $\hat{M}=U_{[,1:r]}^{(2)}, \hat{N}=V_{[,1:r]}^{(1)}$
- **5** For  $s = \min(m_1, m_2), \ldots, 2, 1$ :
  - Calculate  $D_{R,s} = Z_{21,[,1:s]}Z_{11,[1:s,1:s]}^{-1}$  (or  $D_{C,s} = Z_{11,[1:s,1:s]}^{-1}Z_{12,[1:s,]}$ )
  - If  $Z_{11,[1:s,1:s]}$  is not singular and  $\sigma_1(D_{R,s}) \leq T_R$  (or  $\sigma_1(D_{C,s}) \leq T_C$ ): •  $\hat{r} = s$
- **o** If  $\hat{r}$  is still unassigned, then  $\hat{r} = 0$
- **©** Estimate  $A_{22}$  as  $\hat{A}_{22}=\hat{Z}_{22}=Z_{21,[,1:\hat{r}]}Z_{11,[1:\hat{r},1:\hat{r}]}^{-1}Z_{12,[1:\hat{r},]}$

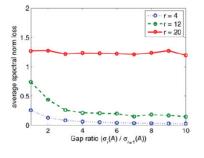


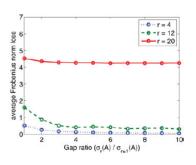
# Theoretical Analysis

- The paper presents upper and lower bounds for the estimation errors of Algorithms 1 & 2, so the optimal rate of recovery can be given for certain classes of approximately low-rank matrices
- There are also probability bounds on the estimation errors for fixed *A* and random rows/columns observed, and also for random *A*

## Simulation

- Fix  $p_1 = p_2 = 1000, m_1 = m_2 = 50$
- Choose singular values as  $\{1, \stackrel{r-2}{\dots}, 1, g^{-1}1^{-1}, g^{-1}2^{-1}, \dots\}$
- Vary gap ratio g = 1, 2, ..., 10, rank r = 4, 12, 20

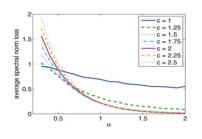


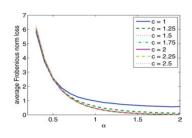


• Algorithm improves as r gets smaller and  $g=rac{\sigma_r(A)}{\sigma_{r+1}(A)}$  gets larger

## Simulation

- Fix  $p_1 = p_2 = 1000, m_1 = m_2 = 50$
- Choose singular values as  $\{j^{-\alpha}: j=1,2,\ldots,\min(p_1,p_2)\}$
- ullet Vary lpha between 0.3 and 2, and  $T_R=c\sqrt{rac{p1}{m1}}$  for c between 1 and 6

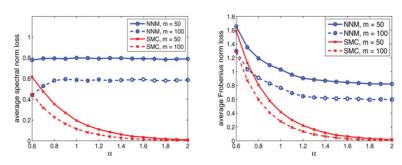




- $\bullet$  Algorithm does well if  $\alpha$  is not too small and improves as  $\alpha$  gets larger
- ullet The paper identifies c=2 as the recommended optimal value

## Simulation

- Fix  $p_1 = p_2 = 1000$
- Choose singular values as  $\{j^{-\alpha}: j=1,2,\ldots,\min(p_1,p_2)\}$
- Vary  $\alpha$  between 0.6 and 2, and  $m_1 = m_2 = 50$  or 100
- Compare SMC to constrained nuclear norm minimization (NNM)



 SMC outperforms NNM in approximately low-rank matrices with rectangular missingness

# **Application**

	m <sub>2</sub> =426	p <sub>2</sub> -m <sub>2</sub> =799	_	
TCGA Training Set (n=230)	Gene Expression Markers	miRNA Expression Markers	_ m <sub>1</sub> =230	
TCGA Test Set (n=322)	Gene Expression Markers	?		
Tothill Study (n=285)	Gene Expression Markers	?	p <sub>1</sub> -m <sub>1</sub> =919	
Dressman Study (n=117)	Gene Expression Markers	?	- p <sub>1</sub> -m <sub>1</sub> -919	
Bonome Study (n=195)	Gene Expression Markers	?		

(a) Integrate	d analysis with imputed miRNA versus single logHR			study with observed miRNA SE			<i>p</i> -Value		
	Ori.	SMC	NNM	Ori.	SMC	NNM	Ori.	SMC	NNM
G miRNA <sub>1</sub> PC miRNA <sub>2</sub> PC	0.067 0.012 0.023	0.143 0.019 0.018	0.168 0.013 0.005	0.041 0.009 0.014	0.034 0.006 0.009	0.028 0.012 0.014	0.104 0.218 0.092	0.000 0.001 0.039	0.283 0.725

- Imputing the missing miRNA expression levels reduces the standard errors and increases power
- Adding the imputed miRNA significantly improves the predictive ability of the model