

Chemometric Analysis of Spectroscopic Data in R: hyperSpec



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Motivation

We present hyperSpec, a new software that greatly facilitates the analysis of spectra using the statistical software R [1, http://www.r-project.org]. Our needs for biospectroscopic data analysis are best met in a programming environment supplying tools for both chemometrics and handling of spectra. Standard and specialized statistical procedures are available in R. This is a big advantage as programming the handling of spectra is far less error prone than programming statistical routines. The correctness of statistical software is a concern, and R was assessed by Keeling and Pavur[2].

hyperSpec makes R a convenient platform for the analysis of spectral data sets, including spectral images and maps.

Requirements

Our key scenarios for chemometric analysis in biomedical spectroscopy are:

- 1. We do spectral preprocessing, and use
- chemometric methods like regression, cluster analysis, classification, etc.
- 2. We acquire spectral maps of arbitrary shape.
- 3. The data sets can be large (20000 spectra and more), so batch processing/scripting should be possible.
- 4. We combine maps with single spectra (e.g. reference substances).
- 5. We customize/extend standard procedures if our needs are not met. See e.g. the "Centering" in the chondrocyte example below, or think of developing a diagnostic test: How to ensure statistical independence at patient level with varying numbers of spectra per patient?
- 6. We build Graphical User Interfaces (GUIs) for specific tasks.

Features



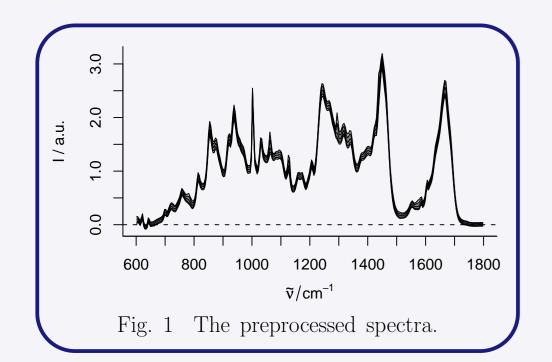
hyperSpec provides ...

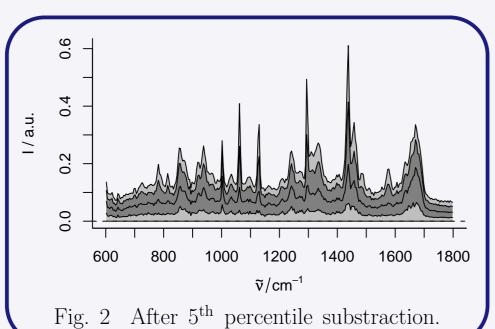
- Functions to import spectra into R.
- Means to attach any amount of non-spectral data to each of the spectra, such as time, position, concentrations, diagnoses, etc.
- Several plot funcions to display spectra, false-colour maps, calibration lines etc., and basic interaction like obtianing the spectrum and wavelength you click at.
- Functions to work with the spectra and do your preferred preprocessing.
- Functions to ease the interaction with statistical data analysis methods.
- Hand over the spectra matrix e.g. to **dist** in the chondrocyte example, - Hand over the appropriate data frame e.g. to 1m in the calibration example. - Re-importing the results of e.g. PCA or MSC preprocessing is also possible.

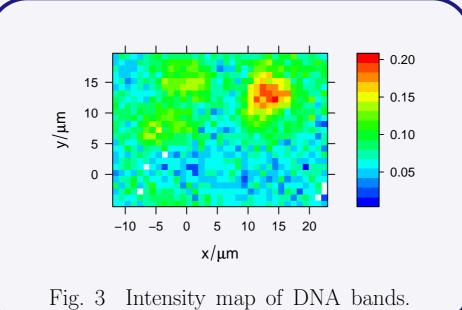
In **R**, you can ...

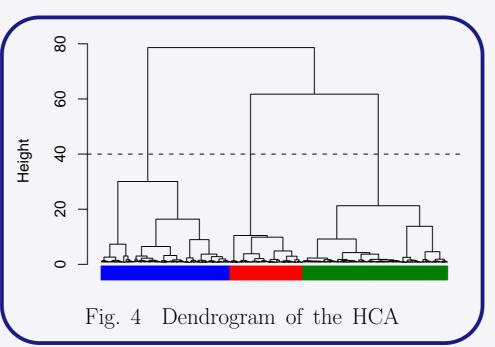
- Add and change functions and methods at runtime, e.g. add functions to im-/export your spectrometer's proprietary data format.
- Do batch processing, remote calculations, and external calculations in Matlab[3]
- Use *literate programming* to include calculations in (text) documents.
- Write a GUI tailored to your specific data analysis requirements.
- Use advanced statistical procedures.

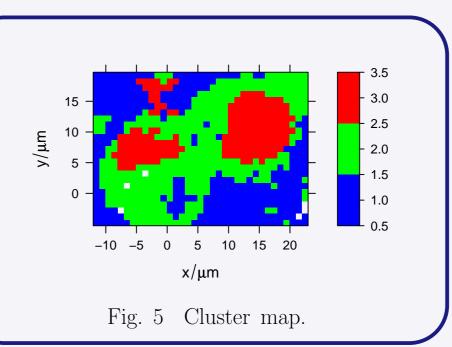
Example work flow: Raman Map of Chondrocytes in Cartilage

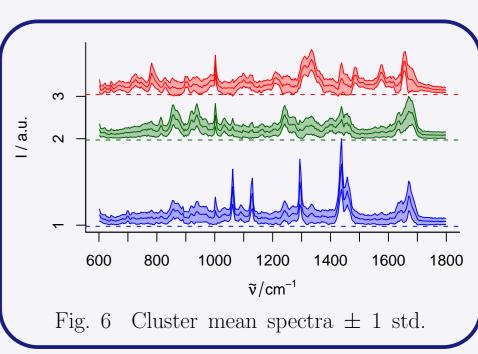


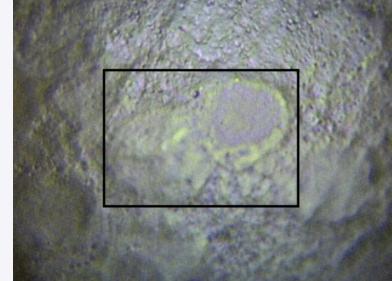












Sample: thick section of pig cartilage **Spectrometer:** Renishaw InVia Excitation: 633 nm, 10 s / spectrum Objective: $100 \times$, NA 0.85Measurement Area: $35 \times 21 \mu m$ Grid: 1 µm step size

Loading the library

> library (hyperSpec)

> chondro <- scan.txt.Renishaw ("chondro.txt", data = "xyspc")</pre>

> print (chondro) hyperSpec object

875 spectra

Data import

3 data columns

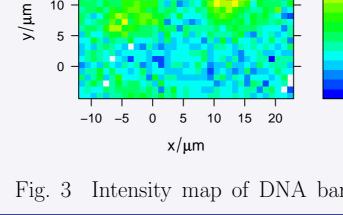
1272 data points / spectrum

wavelength: tilde(nu)/cm^-1 [numeric 1272] 601.622 602.664 ... 1802.15 data: (875 rows x 3 columns)

(1) y: y/(mu * m) [numeric 875] range -4.77 -3.77 ... 19.23

(2) x: x/(mu * m) [numeric 875] range -11.55 -10.55 ... 22.45

(3) spc: I / a.u. [AsIs matrix 875 x 1272] range 52.2573 52.5012 ... 1884.25 + NA



Preprocessing Smoothing interpolation of $\tilde{\nu}$ > chondro <- spc.loess (chondro, seq (602, 1800, 4))

Linear baseline correction

> chondro <- chondro - spc.fit.poly.below (chondro)</pre> Fitting with npts.min = 15

Normalization

> chondro <- sweep (chondro, 1, apply (chondro, 1, mean), "/")</pre>

Outlier Removal (see the complete work flow in hyperSpec's documenta-

> chondro <- chondro [- c(105, 140, 216, 289, 75, 69)]

Plotting spectra (fig. 1)

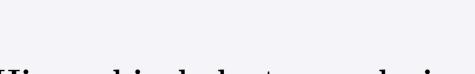
> plot (chondro, "spcprct15")

Instead of centering, subtract the 5th percentile spectrum (fig. 2). > chondro <- sweep (chondro, 2, apply (chondro, 2, quantile, 0.05), "-") > plot (chondro, "spcprct15")

Intensity map: Looking at Nucleic Acid Bands

The requested wavelengths can be entered directly:

> print (plotmap (chondro[, , c(728, 782, 1098, 1240, 1482, 1577)]))



Hierarchical cluster analysis Calculate dendrogram with Euclidean distance and Ward's method: > dendrogram <- hclust (dist (chondro [[]]), method = "ward")</pre> > plot (dendrogram)

Cut the dendrogram into 3 clusters and plot the cluster map (fig. 5) > clusters <- cutree (dendrogram, k = 3)</pre>

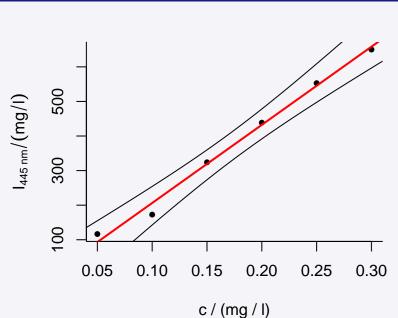
> print (plotmap (chondro, z = as.factor (clusters)))Decorate the dendrogram with colors and cut level (fig. 4):

> plot (dendrogram, labels = FALSE, hang = 0, main = NULL) > abline (h = 40, 1ty = 2) > col.clust <- c ("blue", "darkgreen", "red")</pre>

> points (seq (nrow (chondro)), rep (-3, nrow (chondro)), col = col.clust [clusters [dendrogram\$order]], pch = "|") Calculate cluster mean and standard deviation spectra (fig. 6)

> cm <- aggregate (chondro, clusters, mean_pm_sd)</pre> > plot(cm, stacked = ".aggregate", fill = ".aggregate", col = col.clust)

Calibration Plot: Quinine Fluorescence



Concentrations: 0.05 - 0.30 mg/l. Spectrometer: PE LS50-B Excitation: 350 nm

Spectra: Fluorescence emission 405 – 495 nm Noise added to enlarge confidence interval.

> calibration <- lm (c ~ spc, data = flu [,, 445]\$.) > summary (calibration)

Residuals:

Coefficients:

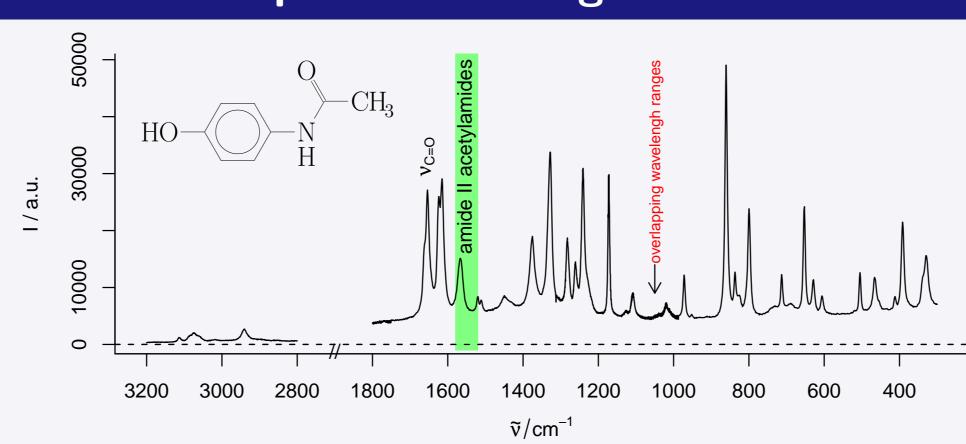
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 0.0024111 0.0068549 0.352 0.743 0.0004463 0.0000159 28.077 9.57e-06 ***

lm(formula = c ~ spc, data = flu[, , 445]\$.)

Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' '1

Residual standard error: 0.007431 on 4 degrees of freedom Adjusted R-squared: 0.9937 Multiple R-squared: 0.995, F-statistic: 788.3 on 1 and 4 DF, p-value: 9.574e-06

Advanced Spectra Plotting: Paracetamol



> plot (paracetamol, wl.range = c (300 ~ 1800, 2800 ~ max), xoffset = 800, wl.reverse = TRUE)

Text annotations support greek letters, subscripts, etc.

> text (1654, paracetamol [[,,1654]] + 2500, expression (nu["C=0"]), adj = c(0, 0.5), srt = 90)

Annotation with arrows on clicked location

> pt <- locator ()</pre> > arrows (pt\$x, pt\$y + 5000, pt\$x, pt\$y, 0.1)> text (pt\$x, pt\$y + 6000, c ("overlapping wavelengh ranges", col = "red"

Region annotation

> rect (1580, -1000, 1520, 100000, col = "#00FF0080", border = NA)

> text (1550, 33000, "amide II acetylamides", srt = 90)

adj = c(0,0.5), srt = 90, cex = 0.75)

Obtaining hyperSpec and Terms of Use

Homepage: http://r-forge.r-project.org/projects/hyperspec/.

Installation in **R**:

> install.packages("hyperSpec", repos="http://R-Forge.R-project.org")

hyperSpec is distributed under LGPL 2.0.

• You are welcome to use hyperSpec for your data analyses.

• Properly cite the use of the package as given by: > citation ("hyperSpec") • If you adapt or extend the code to your needs, you are kindly asked to make it available to the public (e.g. submit to hyperSpec).

Conclusions

A software package was developed to ease the analysis of hyperspectral data sets, i.e. spectra together with further information such as spatial coordinates, time series, concentrations etc., in the statistical environment .

hyperSpec provides data im- and export, convenient plotting functions, and methods to handle and preprocess the spectra. It is easily extensible by the user, and works smoothly with other R libraries that provide specialized statistical tools.

Literature

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