Sparse

Def: A method of representing data as a vector or matrix where most elements are 0. In other words, it represents only some of the important features of the data and fills the rest with 0s.

Characteristics:

Memory Efficiency: Memory usage is low because only non-zero elements are stored. This is especially effective for high-dimensional data.

Computational Efficiency:

Computation speed is fast because operations with 0 can be omitted.

Ease of Interpretation:

It is easy to clearly identify which features are important.

Examples:

- * Bag-of-Words (BoW):When representing text data by the frequency of words, words that do not appear in the document are treated as 0.
- * One-Hot Encoding:*When representing categorical data, only the element corresponding to the category is marked as 1, and the rest are treated as 0.
- * TF-IDF (Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency):** Weights are assigned to words considering the frequency of words in a document and the importance in the overall document, and unimportant words are represented with values close to 0.

Disadvantage

Information Loss: Because many pieces of information are treated as 0, subtle features of the data may be missed.

Limited Expressiveness: It can be difficult to effectively represent the relationships between data.

Dense

Def: AA method of representing data where all elements of a vector or matrix are filled with non-zero values. All features of the data are represented by real values.

Characteristics:

Rich Information: More information can be contained by utilizing all features of the data.

Improved Expressiveness:

Relationships between data can be effectively represented.

Ease of Interpretation:

It is easy to clearly identify which features are important.

Examples:

Word Embedding:Represents words as vectors in a high-dimensional space, reflecting the semantic similarity between words (Word2Vec, GloVe, FastText, etc.)

Image Pixel Values:*When representing an image with pixel values, all color information of each pixel is used.

Hidden Layer Output of Neural Networks:** The hidden layer of a neural network transforms input data into a dense vector to learn more complex features.

Disadvantage

- * **Memory Inefficiency:** Memory usage is high because all elements must be stored.
- * **Computational Complexity:** Computation speed is slow because operations are required for all elements.
- * **Difficulty of Interpretation:** It can be difficult to identify which features are important.