# AMATH 482 Homework 4: LDA Analysis on Digit Classification

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#### Abstract

In this assignment, we use SVD and LDA analysis to train model to classify digits to different labels in data set MNIST, and finally test our model on test data set and analyze on the effectiveness of our model.

### 1 Introduction and Overview

We used SVD to understand the statistical difference among different groups. After we learned the difference by using SVD, we set a threshold by using linear discrimination analysis to differentiate what digits belong to what labels. To provide comparison of efficiency of algorithm, we also introduced the MatLab built-in methods SVM to show the success rate of our training model.

## 2 Theoretical Background

### 2.1 Singular Value Decomposition(SVD)

Compared to Spectral Decomposition, SVD can be applied to non-square matrix  $m \times n$ . Matrix A can always be written as:

$$AV = U\Sigma \tag{1}$$

$$A = U\Sigma V^* \tag{2}$$

Where V is a unitary eigen vector matrix of A, U is m x m complex unitary matrix,  $\Sigma$  is m x n rectangular diagonal matrix. To write SVD in a reduced form, where  $\Sigma$  gets rid of zero rows and columns, A can be written as:

$$A = \hat{U}\hat{\Sigma}V^* \tag{3}$$

The rank of  $\hat{\Sigma}$  should not exceed rank of A, each sigma, it contains the singular values of A and represents the energy of each singular component. By convention, we arrange these singular values from largest to smallest, along with its corresponding vector basis in U and V. Thus the SVD is just least-square fitting algorithm that projects the original matrix onto lower dimensional basis. The action of A on a vector  $\vec{x}$  is now  $\hat{U}\hat{\Sigma}V^*\vec{x}$ , which represents the action of rotation - stretch - rotation and provides a result of low-rank approximation.

## 2.2 Linear Discrimination Analysis

LDA is used to determine the labels of certain digits. The idea of LDA is to project data on new basis so that the distance between the inter-class data is maximized, and the inter-class data distance is minimized. For a 2-class LDA, we introduced  $w = argmax(\frac{w^T S_B w}{w^T S_W w})$ , where the scatter matrix for between -class  $S_b$  and with-in class  $S_w$  are:

$$S_B = (\mu_2 - \mu_1)(\mu_2 - \mu_1)^T \tag{4}$$

$$S_W = \sum_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{x} (x - \mu_j)(x - \mu_j)^T$$
 (5)

And high dimensional data set (j  $\xi = 3$ ), we can write:

$$S_B = \sum_{j=1}^{N} (\mu_j - \mu)(\mu_j - \mu)^T$$
(6)

where  $\mu$  is the overall mean, and  $\mu_i$  is the row mean, while

$$S_W = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{x} (x - \mu_j)(x - \mu_j)^T$$
 (7)

which essentially could be generalized as the eigen problem solved by:

$$S_b w = \lambda S_w w \tag{8}$$

The maximum eigenvalue  $\lambda$  and associated eigenvector will be the quantity of interest and the projection basis.

## 3 Algorithm Implementation and Development

#### 3.1 Part I: SVD Analysis

First reshape the data of images into two dimensional, so that each column of the matrix represent a different image. There are 60000 images in the training set, therefore the image matrix is  $784(28x28) \times 60000$ . Then perform reduced SVD on the matrix, the projection onto three selected V modes (which chose to be 1,3,5) should be completed by S \* V'.

#### 3.2 PartII: Linear Discrimination Analysis

By picking two random digits, I choose two with label 0 and 9 in the training set. After calculating the within class and inter class variance matrix, I found the best projection line represented by vector w and I calculate the threshold by having (approximately) same number of wronged label 0 and 9. Then I pick out the test data with same label 0 and 9, and examine how many of them are in the right category. For 3-digit classification, I add a label 3, and then calculate  $S_b$  and  $S_w$  separately to get new line w, and calculate the threshold. I examine how many of them are in the right category just like 2-digit classification.

To find out which data set are the most hard to classify, I in turn examine all the data set with regard to each other. I calculate the success rate, and with the highest success rate meaning these two data sets are easiest to separate because they are less meshed up, vice versa.

Given the SVM and classification tree methods, they directly train data (the projection S \* V' instead of raw image) with given labels.

## 4 Computational Results

#### 4.1 PartI: SVD Analysis

According to Figure 1, after the first singular value, the rest of the energy drops drastically. After about first 30 singular values, the rest does not play a large part anymore. Independently speaking, the singular value decomposition result shows that U are the principal components, the diagonal of S represents the energy of each singular values, and V represents how well the singular values are projected on the new basis. Figure 2 shows the projection S \* V' on the new basis (the 1st, 3rd, and 5th columns of V).

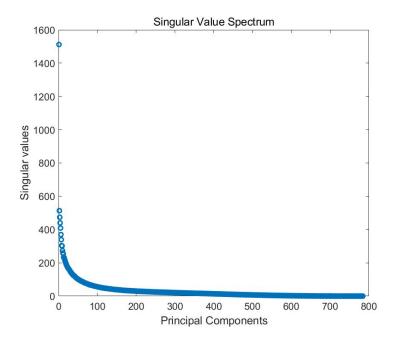


Figure 1: Singular Value Spectrum

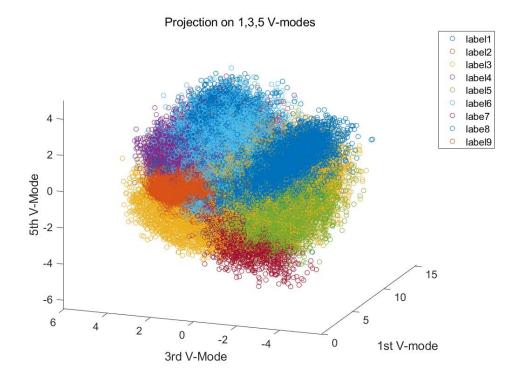


Figure 2: Projection on V-modes

#### **Projection Distribution**

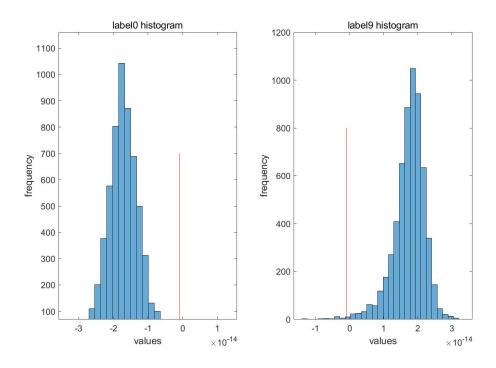


Figure 3: 2-digits classification

### 4.2 Part II LDA Analysis

Figure 3 demonstrates the histogram of accuracy of the classification of test data with label 0 and 9(2-digits). And for 3-digit classification, I build the LDA model with label 0, 1, and 2, get two threshold of 2.0078 and -1.3671, with success rate around 0.34.

Data sets most difficult to separate are those with data meshed together when projecting. By calculation, group 4 and 5 are the hardest to separate, with only success rate 0.0337; group 0 and 9 are the easiest to separate, with success rate 0.9925.

The classification tree provides class error = 0.1755, meaning the success rate of classification = 0.8245. (I eliminate the argument maxNumSplit to increase accuracy, though the time will increase tremendously.) Compared to LDA, which extremely reduces all the data to one dimension and accuracy drops when the number of categories of data is higher, SVM assumes every group is totally separable and on data that are hard to classify, and therefore optimize more on outliers.

## 5 Summary and Conclusions

Combined with SVD, Linear Discrimination Analysis is useful for classifying data with evident features. It is used as a data-driven methods to distinguish statistically the difference between each vector of data, and project them onto the most suitable data set so that the test data can be easily categorized. LDA focuses on all data that are in the training set. The more clusters there are for data, then it is harder to project them on a single basis since they'll be too many overlaps.

## Appendix A MATLAB Functions

• Loading section: mnist parse: load training data and test data with their labels to different variables.

- im2double(reshape()): reshape the loaded data into the form where column represents an image and convert them to double;
- svd(data, 'econ'): conduct reduced SVD.
- Plotting section: plot3(projection(1, index), projection(3, index), projection(5, index), "o"): plot the projection onto three selected V-modes, which are 1st, 3rd, and 5th.
- find() used to find index of given label.
- dc trainer(): a self-implemented function, given 2 data set, used to calculate the SVD of the data and threshold.
- size(data, 2) calculate the number of columns of data.
- fitctree(): Fit binary decision tree for multiclass classification
- kfoldLoss() Classification loss for cross-validated classification model, used to calculate accuracy.
- fitcsvm(): Train support vector machine (SVM) classifier for one-class and binary classification.
- predict(): used to predict the classification of given test data and trained model(Mdl).

## Appendix B MATLAB Code

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clear all; close all; clc;
  % loading
  [images, labels] = mnist_parse('train-images.idx3-ubyte', 'train-labels.idx1-
      ubyte');
  % SVD Analysis
  % for i = 1:20 % show images
         imshow(images(:, :, i));
  % end
  [x, y, z] = size(images);
  I = im2double(reshape(images, [x * y, z]));
   [U,S,V] = svd(I, 'econ');
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  % Plot singular values
13
  figure (1)
14
  plot(diag(S), 'o', 'Linewidth',2)
  title ('Singular Value Spectrum')
  xlabel('Principal Components')
  ylabel ('Singular values')
18
  set (gca, 'Fontsize', 14)
  % set (gca, 'Fontsize', 16, 'Xlim', [0 80]) % plot first 80 singular values
  %% Projection onto V
  figure (2)
22
  projection = S * V';
  for i = 0:9
24
       index = find(labels == i); % find which index of data contains label i;
25
       plot3 (projection (1, index), projection (3, index), projection (5, index), "o
26
          ");
       hold on;
27
  end
28
  xlabel('1st V-mode'), ylabel('3rd V-Mode'), zlabel('5th V-Mode')
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title('Projection on 1,3,5 V—modes') legend('label1', 'label2', 'label3', 'label4','label5', 'label6',...
31
       'labe7', 'labe8', 'labe19')
32
   set (gca, 'Fontsize', 14)
33
34
  % load test data
36
   [test_images, test_labels] = mnist_parse('t10k-images.idx3-ubyte', 't10k-
       labels.idx1-ubyte');
   [x, y, z] = size(test_images);
   test_I = im2double(reshape(test_images, [x * y, z]));
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  % 2 digits LDA
41
   feature = 20;
42
   label1 = 0; label2 = 9;
   index1 = find(labels == label1); index2 = find(labels == label2);
44
   data1 = I(:, index1); data2 = I(:, index2);
   [U2, S2, V2, threshold, w, sort1, sort2] = dc_trainer(data1, data2, feature);
46
   test_index1 = find(test_labels == 0); test_data1 = test_I(:, test_index1);
   test_index2 = find(test_labels == 9); test_data2 = test_I(:, test_index2);
48
   TestSet = [test_data1, test_data2];
50
   TestNum = size(TestSet, 2);
   TestLabel = zeros(1, TestNum);
   TestLabel(1, size(test_data1, 2) + 1:end) = 1;
   TestMat = U2'* TestSet; % PCA projection
   pval = w'*TestMat;
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56
   ResVec = (pval > threshold); err = abs(ResVec - TestLabel);
57
   errNum = sum(err);
   success_rate = 1 - errNum / TestNum;
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  % random 2 digit LDA
   success\_rate\_lowest = 1;
63
   group1 = 0;
   group2 = 1;
   success_rate_highest = 0;
   group1_high = 0;
67
   group2-high = 1;
   for i = 0:9
69
       for j = i + 1 : 9
70
           label1 = i; label2 = j;
71
           index1 = find(labels == label1); index2 = find(labels == label2);
72
           data1 = I(:, index1); data2 = I(:, index2);
73
           [U2, S2, V2, threshod, w, sortdog, sortcat] = dc_trainer(data1, data2,
74
               feature);
           test\_index1 = find(test\_labels == 0); test\_data1 = test\_I(:,
75
               test_index1);
            test_index2 = find(test_labels == 9); test_data2 = test_I(:,
76
               test\_index2);
77
           TestSet = [test_data1, test_data2];
78
           TestNum = size(TestSet, 2);
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TestLabel = zeros (1, TestNum);
80
            TestLabel(1, size(test_data1, 2) + 1:end) = 1;
81
            TestMat = U2'* TestSet; % PCA projection
82
            pval = w'*TestMat;
84
            ResVec = (pval > threshold); err = abs(ResVec - TestLabel);
            errNum = sum(err);
86
            success\_rate = 1 - errNum / TestNum;
       end
88
        if success_rate < success_rate_lowest
89
            group1 = i;
90
            group2 = j;
91
            success_rate_lowest = success_rate;
92
       end
93
       if success_rate > success_rate_highest
94
            group1_high = i;
95
            group2-high = j;
            success_rate_highest = success_rate;
97
       end
   end
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100
   % Three digits LDA
101
   label1 = 0; label2 = 1; label3 = 2;
   index1 = find(labels == label1); index2 = find(labels == label2); index3 =
103
       find (labels == label3);
   data1 = I(:, index1); data2 = I(:, index2); data3 = I(:, index3);
104
   [U5, S5, V5, threshold1, threshold2, w, max_ind, min_ind] = dg3_trainer(data1, data2,
105
       data3, feature);
106
   test_index1 = find(test_labels == 0); test_data1 = test_I(:, test_index1);
107
   test_index2 = find(test_labels == 1); test_data2 = test_I(:, test_index2);
108
   test_index3 = find(test_labels == 2); test_data3 = test_I(:, test_index3);
109
110
   TestSet = [test_data1, test_data2, test_data3];
111
   TestNum = size (TestSet, 2):
112
   TestLabel = zeros(1, TestNum);
   TestLabel(1, size(test_data1, 2) + 1:end) = 1;
114
   TestMat = U2'*TestSet; % PCA projection
   pval = w'*TestMat;
116
   ResVec = (pval > threshold); err = abs(ResVec - TestLabel);
118
   errNum = sum(err);
   success\_rate = 1 - errNum / TestNum;
120
121
122
   % SVM and Decision tree
   % classification tree on fisheriris data
124
   load fisheriris;
125
   tree = fitctree (meas, species, 'MaxNumSplits', 3, 'CrossVal', 'on');
   view(tree.Trained{1}, 'Mode', 'graph');
127
   classError = kfoldLoss(tree)
128
129
   % SVM classifier with training data, labels and test set
130
   Mdl = fitcsvm(xtrain, label);
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```
test_labels = predict(Mdl, test);
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134
   tree = fitctree(projection', labels, 'CrossVal', 'on');
   classError = kfoldLoss(tree); % tree error 0.1755
136
   tree\_sucrate = 1 - classError; \% 0.8245
   label1 = 0; label2 = 9; \% easy
   index1 = find(labels == label1); index2 = find(labels == label2);
   data1 = I(:, index1); data2 = I(:, index2);
   label1 = 1; label2 = 9; \% hard
   index1 = find(labels == label1); index2 = find(labels == label2);
142
   data1 = I(:, index1); data2 = I(:, index2);
   % SVM
144
   Mdl = fitcecoc(projection(1:50, :)', labels);
   predict_labels_svm = predict(Mdl, TestMat');
   test_labels = predict(Mdl, test1);
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