

## Abstract

Most existing MVSC methods first collect complementary information from different views and consequently derive a consensus reconstruction coefficient matrix to indicate the subspace structure of a multi-view data set. In this paper, we initially assume the existence of a consensus reconstruction coefficient matrix and then use it to build a consensus graph filter. In each view, the filter is employed for smoothing the data and designing a regularizer for the reconstruction coefficient matrix. Finally, the obtained reconstruction coefficient matrices from different views are used to create constraints for the consensus reconstruction coefficient matrix.

## Multi-view subspace clustering

The generalized framework of MVSC could be expressed as follows:

$$\min_{\mathbf{C}^i} \{ \gamma^i [\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{X}^i, \mathbf{C}^i \mathbf{X}^i) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{C}^i)] \}_{i=1}^v$$

Where  $\mathbf{X}^i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d_i}$  and  $\mathbf{C}^i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the feature matrix and the reconstruction coefficient matrix in the  $i$ -th view. Once the reconstruction coefficient matrix  $\mathbf{C}^i$  in each view is obtained, a consensus matrix will be defined as  $\mathbf{C} = \mathcal{F}(\{\mathbf{C}^i\}_{i=1}^v)$ , where  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$  is some kind fusion function

## Graph filter

- Suppose an undirected graph  $\mathbb{G}$  has  $n$  vertices with  $\mathbf{X}$  being the feature matrix corresponding to these vertices and  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  represents the edge weights matrix. The normalized adjacency matrix and the normalized Laplacian matrix of this graph are defined as  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I}$  and  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{I} - \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  respectively.  $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}$  is a diagonal matrix satisfying  $[\tilde{\mathbf{D}}]_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^n [\tilde{\mathbf{A}}]_{ij}$ . Then the low-pass graph filter  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{\mathbf{L}}{2}$ .
- By using the defined low-pass graph filter, we can get the smooth data matrix of  $\mathbf{Y}$ , namely  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{X}$ .

## The proposed method: MVSC<sup>2</sup>GF

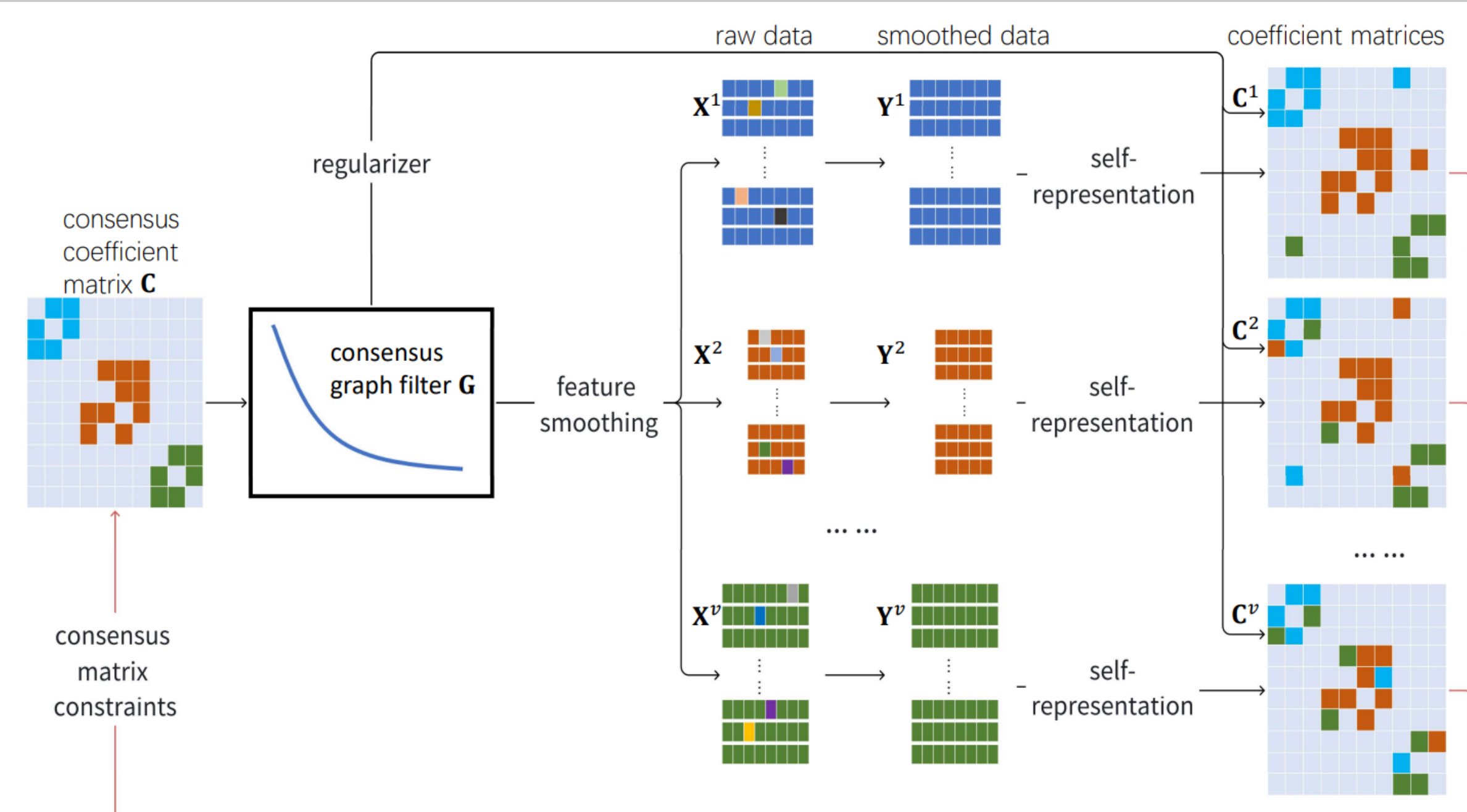


Figure 1: The overview of the proposed method. The consensus graph filter  $\mathbf{G}$  is used to obtain the smoothed data for each view. Meanwhile, in each view, a regularizer of the coefficient matrix is devised by  $\mathbf{G}$ . Then a coefficient matrix could be obtained in each view. These coefficient matrices are used to construct constraints for obtaining the consensus coefficient matrix  $\mathbf{C}$ . Finally,  $\mathbf{G}$  is derived by  $\mathbf{C}$ .

The proposed method contains three main steps:

- A. Designing a consensus graph filter.** We first assume that a consensus coefficient matrix  $\mathbf{C}$  from a multi-view data set has been gotten. Then a low-pass graph filter could be defined as  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{\mathbf{L}}{2} = \frac{3\mathbf{I}}{4} + \frac{3\mathbf{C}}{4}$ .

Here, we require  $\mathbf{C} \geq 0$ ,  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C}^T$ ,  $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{C}$ ,  $\text{diag}(\mathbf{C}) = 0$ . Then the affinity graph  $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C}$ , hence the graph filter will have the above formulation.

- B. Computing the reconstruction coefficient matrix in each view.** The defined graph filter  $\mathbf{G}$  should be consistent across different views.

- The smoothed features of a multi-view data set in each view could be computed, i.e.,  $\mathbf{Y}^i = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{X}^i$ .
- $\mathbf{Y}^i$  has the self-expressive property, namely,  $\mathbf{Y}^i \approx \mathbf{C}^i \mathbf{Y}^i$ , where  $\mathbf{C}^i$  is the reconstruction coefficient matrix.
- $\mathbf{C}^i$  should also satisfies self-expressive property  $\mathbf{C}^i \approx \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}^i$ .

- C. Fusing the reconstruction coefficient matrices.**

Finally, the MVSC<sup>2</sup>GF problem could be obtained:

$$\min_{\mathbf{C}^i} \sum_{i=1}^v \|\mathbf{Y}^i - \mathbf{C}^i \mathbf{Y}^i\|_F^2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{C}^i - \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}^i\|_F^2 + \beta (\gamma^i)^\eta \|\mathbf{C}^i - \mathbf{C}\|_F^2$$

$$s. t. \quad 4\mathbf{Y}^i = 3\mathbf{X}^i + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{C} \geq 0, \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C}^T, \mathbf{C}\mathbf{1} = \mathbf{C}, \text{diag}(\mathbf{C}) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^v \gamma^i = 1$$

## Experiments

Databases	Metrics	DiMSC	AGML	MLAN	mPAC	GMC	LMSC	LMVSC	LSRMVSC	CMSC	SIREN	MVSC <sup>2</sup> GF
3sources	ACC	79.53(0.3)	76.43(0.4)	<b>81.70(1.2)</b>	79.76(0.1)	69.23(0.1)	78.53(0.4)	76.92(0.0)	75.15(0.0)	80.13(0.0)	76.12(1.2)	<b>85.80(0.0)</b>
	NMI	71.91(0.9)	69.32(0.0)	<b>75.43(0.0)</b>	72.30(0.1)	62.16(0.0)	65.87(0.2)	65.38(0.0)	65.03(0.2)	71.27(0.1)	62.16(0.1)	<b>78.66(0.0)</b>
	ARI	63.71(0.2)	60.43(0.2)	<b>66.64(0.0)</b>	64.52(0.0)	65.56(0.2)	50.56(0.5)	60.57(0.3)	<b>69.64(0.2)</b>	68.64(0.2)	64.52(0.1)	<b>69.71(0.0)</b>
	F-score	67.43(0.2)	72.43(0.1)	<b>82.46(0.4)</b>	80.54(0.1)	73.27(0.0)	70.13(0.7)	79.24(0.4)	76.73(0.6)	77.47(0.0)	77.83(0.2)	<b>83.75(0.0)</b>
ORL	ACC	79.70(2.6)	72.93(2.0)	68.50(0.0)	71.31(1.4)	63.25(0.0)	82.75(1.2)	71.33(2.3)	79.00(0.0)	<b>89.56(2.8)</b>	82.75(1.2)	<b>90.00(0.0)</b>
	NMI	90.45(1.3)	89.14(1.0)	83.12(0.0)	86.79(0.0)	85.71(0.0)	92.81(0.5)	84.19(2.5)	92.39(0.0)	<b>94.22(0.2)</b>	90.18(2.3)	<b>95.97(0.0)</b>
	ARI	73.76(3.3)	54.79(5.0)	33.16(0.0)	51.23(0.0)	33.67(0.0)	75.90(0.0)	69.77(0.1)	77.43(2.5)	<b>83.56(2.3)</b>	74.35(0.1)	<b>84.58(0.0)</b>
	F-score	74.39(3.25)	70.34(3.0)	33.47(1.1)	68.74(3.2)	35.90(0.0)	77.53(0.1)	73.12(0.0)	76.52(0.0)	<b>84.30(0.4)</b>	77.53(0.0)	<b>86.58(0.0)</b>
MSRC-v1	ACC	75.93(0.9)	76.44(0.5)	85.43(0.3)	81.43(0.1)	<b>89.56(0.3)</b>	77.02(2.2)	88.10(0.2)	68.67(1.3)	78.30(3.0)	88.18(0.8)	<b>91.90(0.0)</b>
	NMI	62.24(1.5)	77.65(2.1)	75.13(0.3)	75.08(0.0)	<b>82.00(1.9)</b>	67.95(2.5)	81.11(2.6)	55.63(0.0)	76.09(2.0)	78.49(0.9)	<b>85.37(0.0)</b>
	ARI	54.80(1.5)	59.07(0.4)	70.94(0.4)	61.27(0.0)	<b>76.74(2.3)</b>	59.88(2.8)	72.79(0.3)	46.42(0.1)	70.51(5.0)	74.73(0.8)	<b>82.57(0.0)</b>
	F-score	61.12(1.3)	72.80(2.2)	75.03(0.3)	73.20(1.3)	79.97(0.2)	65.44(2.4)	76.65(0.2)	61.62(0.0)	70.02(0.0)	<b>81.12(1.3)</b>	<b>85.02(0.0)</b>
BBCsport	ACC	<b>89.71(0.0)</b>	69.34(0.4)	79.62(0.0)	77.96(0.0)	80.63(0.0)	85.12(12.3)	48.78(3.4)	80.98(2.5)	72.05(0.1)	79.74(3.5)	98.16(0.0)
	NMI	<b>83.20(0.0)</b>	70.48(0.5)	65.54(0.0)	68.48(2.0)	72.20(0.0)	77.04(16.5)	31.45(1.4)	81.34(0.2)	60.04(0.1)	71.30(0.1)	<b>95.03(0.0)</b>
	ARI	<b>87.32(0.0)</b>	73.54(0.8)	72.44(0.0)	82.04(0.0)	79.41(0.0)	82.88(11.4)	39.34(5.6)	86.03(0.0)	68.13(0.0)	80.13(0.0)	<b>96.22(0.0)</b>
	F-score	<b>87.32(0.0)</b>	73.54(0.8)	72.44(0.0)	82.04(0.0)	79.41(0.0)	82.88(11.4)	39.34(5.6)	86.03(0.0)	68.13(0.0)	80.13(0.0)	<b>96.22(0.0)</b>
COIL20	ACC	77.85(2.2)	73.21(1.3)	<b>86.21(1.1)</b>	72.43(0.0)	79.11(0.1)	77.97(0.1)	70.83(0.3)	70.56(1.2)	85.98(0.0)	76.54(1.2)	<b>90.00(0.0)</b>
	NMI	84.63(0.2)	79.54(0.8)	<b>96.10(0.4)</b>	84.46(0.0)	94.10(0.2)	85.92(0.1)	81.49(0.2)	79.97(0.0)	94.56(3.2)	81.34(0.1)	<b>97.17(0.0)</b>
	ARI	73.21(0.5)	66.32(1.5)	<b>83.56(0.6)</b>	71.44(0.0)	78.20(0.0)	67.52(0.2)	59.41(0.6)	62.89(0.3)	82.32(0.2)	74.56(0.5)	<b>84.34(0.0)</b>
	F-score	74.50(0.5)	69.40(0.4)	<b>84.43(1.5)</b>	73.02(0.0)	80.21(0.0)	71.61(0.2)	63.95(0.5)	64.98(0.0)	81.65(0.0)	77.38(0.0)	<b>86.80(0.0)</b>
Caltech101-7	ACC	51.74(0.1)	68.73(0.3)	62.70(0.0)	59.65(0.0)	67.52(2.2)	<b>86.33(0.1)</b>	83.46(0.1)	46.47(0.0)	81.33(0.0)	78.54(0.0)	<b>90.50(0.0)</b>
	NMI	31.73(0.7)	49.43(11.5)	54.67(0.0)	46.24(0.0)	61.99(1.9)	<b>72.97(0.4)</b>	58.50(0.4)	18.52(0.0)	69.79(3.4)	70.33(2.8)	<b>81.79(0.0)</b>
	ARI	38.63(0.6)	53.21(0.0)	41.47(0.0)	51.23(2.0)	41.17(0.4)	41.17(0.4)	38.04(0.5)	13.00(0.0)	<b>54.33(7.3)</b>	51.32(0.0)	<b>55.05(0.0)</b>
	F-score	42.11(0.8)	61.53(6.9)	61.88(0.0)	57.51(0.0)	68.29(0.0)	<b>91.28(0.2)</b>	78.28(2.2)	44.70(0.0)	77.35(0.3)	75.53(1.2)	<b>95.89(0.0)</b>
HW	ACC	86.61(0.3)	87.32(0.0)	96.05(0.0)	88.90(2.5)	88.20(2.5)	89.35(0.3)	92.66(0.0)	35.36(0.0)	94.32(0.0)	<b>96.41(1.1)</b>	<b>96.59(0.0)</b>
	NMI	79.28(0.1)	83.72(6.4)	92.22(0.0)	83.61(0.0)	90.41(0.1)	83.70(0.2)	86.01(0.1)	57.36(0.0)	89.90(0.0)	<b>92.42(0.2)</b>	<b>92.59(0.0)</b>
	ARI	75.04(0.2)	71.30(0.0)	82.45(0.0)	79.67(0.0)	80.12(0.0)	78.93(0.3)	86.13(0.1)	22.49(0.0)	83.44(1.3)	<b>91.12(0.0)</b>	<b>91.65(0.0)</b>
	F-score	77.53(0.2)	76.32(10.3)	84.32(0.0)	82.15(0.0)	86.53(0.0)	82.02(0.2)	84.69(0.1)	55.64(0.0)	82.13(0.0)	<b>90.03(0.0)</b>	<b>92.48(0.0)</b>

Table 1: Clustering results (in %) including mean and std (in the brackets) of evaluated methods on the used benchmark data sets. The best results are emphasized in red and bold, the second-best results are denoted in bold and italics.

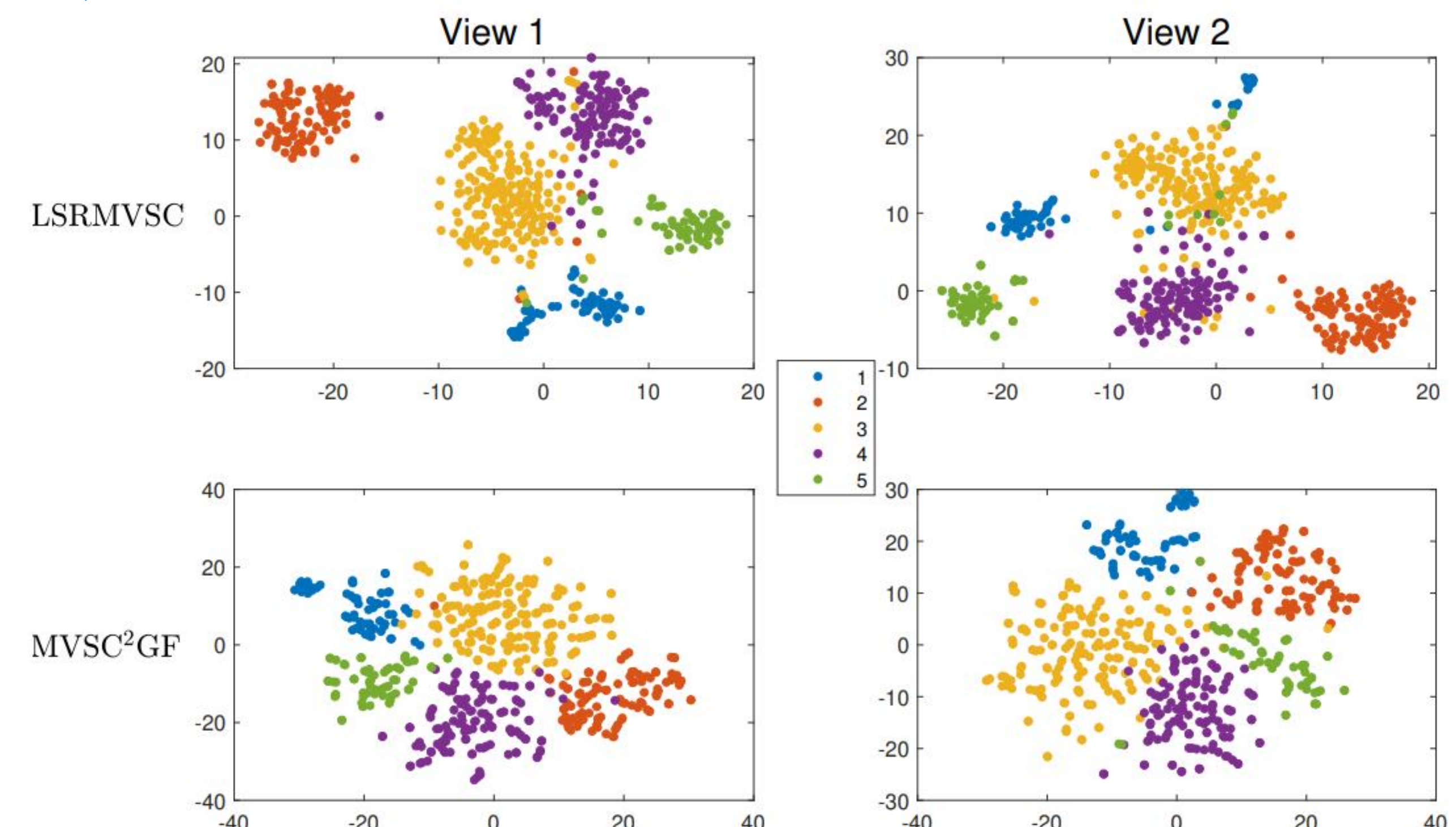


Figure 2: The filtered features in each view obtained by LSRMVSC (the first row) and MVSC<sup>2</sup>GF (the second row). The filtered features from the first and second views are listed in the first and second columns respectively.

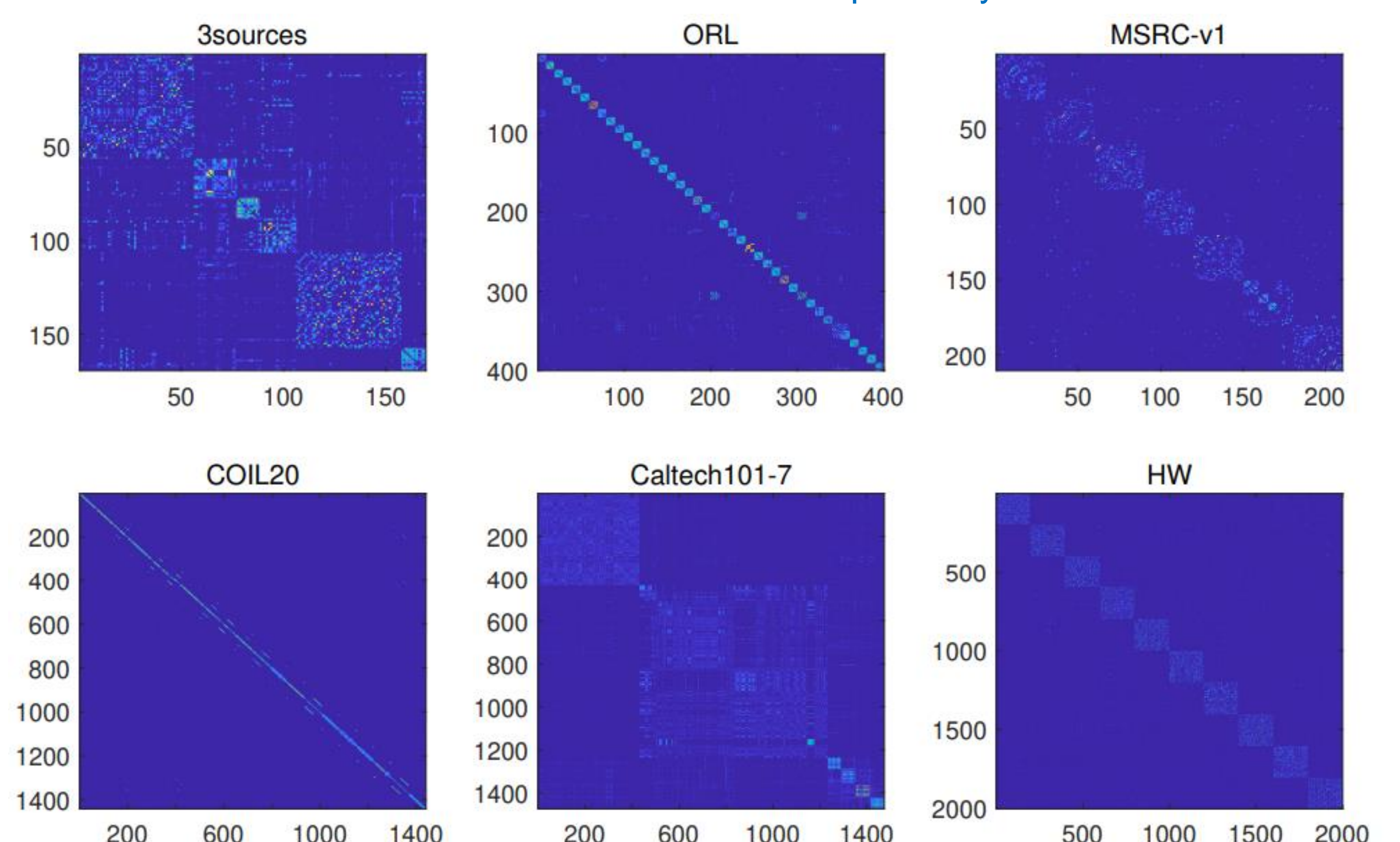


Figure 3: The consensus reconstruction coefficient matrices of MVSC<sup>2</sup>GF obtained on the rest six data sets.

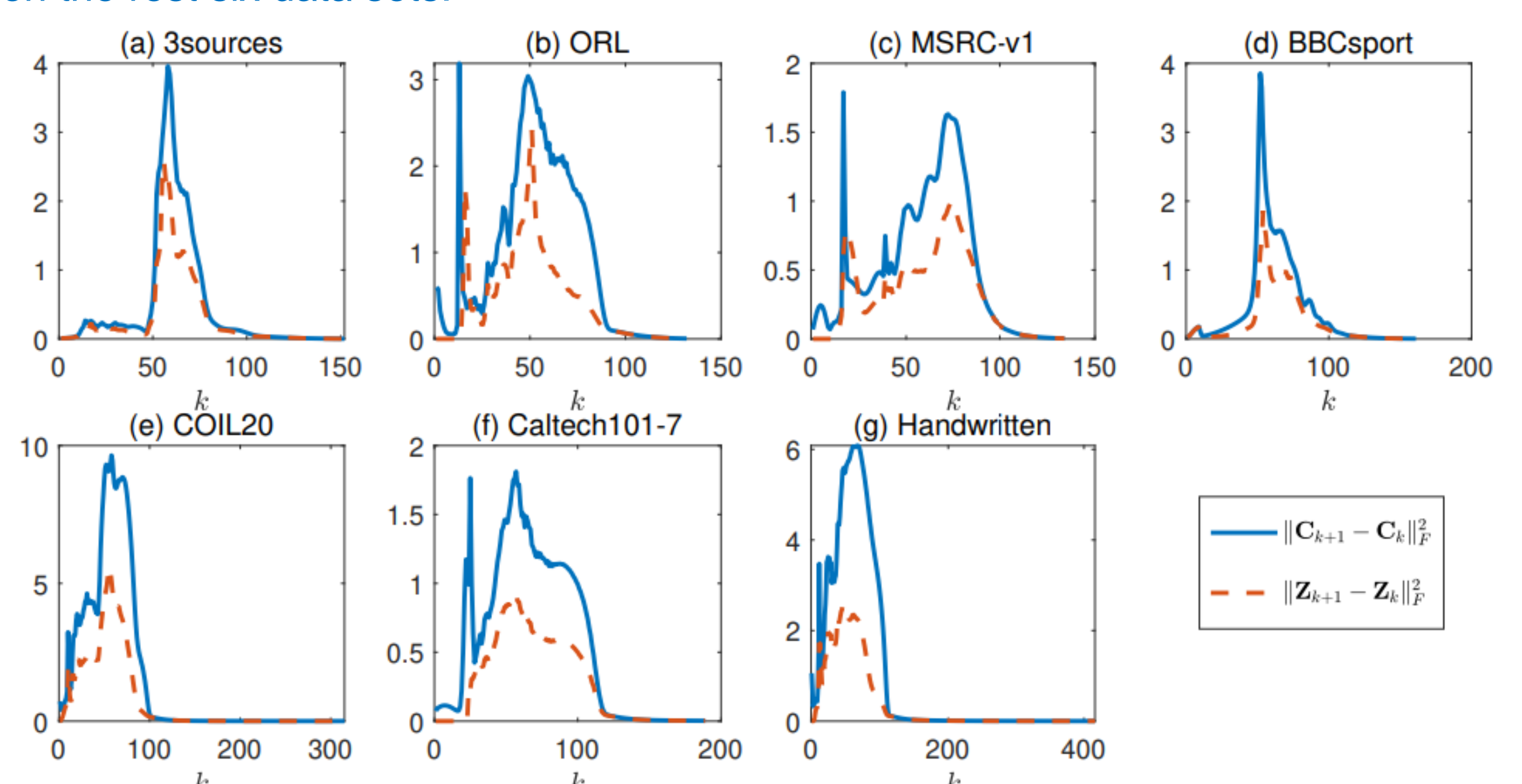


Figure 4: The convergence of MVSC<sup>2</sup>GF