

Applied Machine Learning

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Canonical Correlation Analysis

- Associate pairs of correlated items from two different datasets
 - Projections onto vectors that maximize correlation
- Applications
 - Images with text descriptions
 - Segments of videos and corresponding captions
 - Segments of accelerometer signals and description of user activity

CCA: Projections

- Dataset $\{\mathbf{p}\}$
 - Data item i : $\mathbf{p}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_i \\ \mathbf{y}_i \end{bmatrix}$
 - $\mathbf{x}_i \in \{\mathbf{x}\}$
 - d_x features, $\text{mean}(\{\mathbf{x}\}) = 0$
 - $\mathbf{y}_i \in \{\mathbf{y}\}$
 - d_y features, $\text{mean}(\{\mathbf{y}\}) = 0$
 - Projection of $\{\mathbf{x}\}$ onto \mathbf{u}
 - $\{\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x}\}$, projection i : $\{\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x}_i\}$
 - Projection of $\{\mathbf{y}\}$ onto \mathbf{v}
 - $\{\mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{y}\}$, projection i : $\{\mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{y}_i\}$
 - Goal, find \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} that maximize:
 - $\text{corr}(\{\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{y}\})$

Maximizing Correlation of Projections

- Covariance Matrix of $\{\mathbf{p}\}$

- $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{x,x} & \Sigma_{x,y} \\ \Sigma_{y,x} & \Sigma_{y,y} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{corr}(\{(x, y)\}) = \frac{\text{cov}(\{x\}, \{y\})}{\text{std}(x)\text{std}(y)}$$

- $\text{corr}(\{\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{y}\}) = \frac{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u}} \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^\top \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v}}}$

- Lagrange multiplier:

- $\max(\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v})$ subject to $\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u} = c_1$ and $\mathbf{v}^\top \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v} = c_2$

- $\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v} - \lambda_1(\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u} - c_1) - \lambda_2(\mathbf{v}^\top \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v} - c_2)$

- Solve:

- $\Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v} - \lambda_1 \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \mathbf{u} - \lambda_2 \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v} = 0$

- $\Sigma_{x,x}$ and $\Sigma_{y,y}$: invertible

- $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v} \quad \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \mathbf{u}$

- $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \mathbf{u} = \Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y} \Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \mathbf{u} \quad \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \mathbf{v} = \Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v}$

- \mathbf{u} : eigenvector of $\Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y} \Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top$

- \mathbf{v} : is eigenvector of $\Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}$

Maximizing Correlation of Projections

$$\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}^\top (\lambda_1 \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u}) \quad \mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}^\top (\lambda_2 \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v})$$

$$\bullet \quad \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v}}{\lambda_1 \mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u}}} = 1 \quad \sqrt{\frac{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v}}{\lambda_2 \mathbf{v}^\top \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v}}} = 1$$

$$\bullet \quad \frac{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v}}{\sqrt{\lambda_1} \sqrt{\lambda_2} \sqrt{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u}} \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^\top \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v}}} = 1$$

$$\bullet \quad \frac{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{u}^\top \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u}} \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^\top \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v}}} = \sqrt{\lambda_1} \sqrt{\lambda_2} = \text{corr}(\{\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{y}\})$$

- Eigenvectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} : descending order of their eigenvalues

- $\mathbf{u}_1^\top \mathbf{x}_i$ has the strongest correlation with $\mathbf{v}_1^\top \mathbf{y}_i$
- $\mathbf{u}_2^\top \mathbf{x}_i$ has the second strongest correlation with $\mathbf{v}_2^\top \mathbf{y}_i$

$$\bullet \quad \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v} - \lambda_1 \Sigma_{x,x} \mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \mathbf{u} - \lambda_2 \Sigma_{y,y} \mathbf{v} = 0$$

$$\bullet \quad \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v} \quad \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \mathbf{u}$$

$$\bullet \quad \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \mathbf{u} = \Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y} \Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \mathbf{u} \quad \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \mathbf{v} = \Sigma_{y,y}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y}^\top \Sigma_{x,x}^{-1} \Sigma_{x,y} \mathbf{v}$$

- number of directions: $\min(d_x, d_y)$
- Canonical correlations: $\text{corr}(\{\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{y}\})$
- Canonical variables: projections

Significance of Correlations

- For ($r = 1; r \leq \min(d_x, d_y); r++$)
 - Compute Wilk's lambda of r :
$$\Lambda(r) = \prod_{i=1}^r (1 - \rho_i^2),$$
 - with ρ_i the i 'th canonical correlation
 - The largest the correlation, the smallest the value of $\Lambda(r)$
 - As r increases, $\Lambda(r)$ reduces
- Apply to several permutations of data $\{\mathbf{y}\}$
- if $\Lambda(r)$ smaller than most of the ones for permuted datasets
 - more likely that correlations are meaningful
- Use numerical libraries

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