

Machine Learning for Graphs and Sequential Data Exercise Sheet 6

Graphs: Embeddings and Classification

1 Node Embeddings

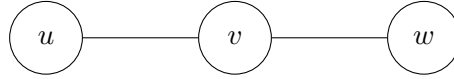


Figure 1: Undirected 3-chain for the Graph2Gauss problem

Problem 1: Consider an undirected 3-chain as in Figure 1 with three nodes u , v and w that we want to embed into \mathbb{R} , i.e. 1-dimensional, with Graph2Gauss. Find the embeddings analytically that we get by minimizing the training loss for a fixed embedding variance 1. So we are embedding each node as a 1-dimensional Gaussian with variance 1 by minimizing the loss

$$\mathcal{L} = E_{uv}^2 + e^{-E_{uv}} + E_{vw}^2 + e^{-E_{vw}}$$

where $E_{uv} = \text{KL}(f(u)||f(v))$ is the KL divergence between the embeddings of node u and v .

Hint: The KL divergence between two normal distributions $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ and $\mathcal{N}(\nu, \tau^2)$ simplifies to

$$\text{KL}(\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)||\mathcal{N}(\nu, \tau^2)) = \log \frac{\tau}{\sigma} + \frac{\tau^2 + (\mu - \nu)^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{2}.$$

Hint: Use the Lambert W-function to denote the inverse of $x \exp(x)$, i.e.

$$x \exp(x) = y \Rightarrow W(y) = x.$$

If you want to find a numerical solution, you can evaluate it for example on WolframAlpha with `ProductLog(x)`.

2 Label Propagation

Problem 2: The goal in Label Propagation is to find a labeling $\mathbf{y} \in \{0, 1\}^N$ that minimizes the energy $\min_{\mathbf{y}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \mathbf{w}_{ij} (y_i - y_j)^2$ subject to $y_i = \hat{y}_i \forall i \in S$ where the set of nodes V has been partitioned into the labeled nodes S and the unlabeled nodes U , $w_{ij} \geq 0$ is the non-negative edge weight and \hat{y}_i are the observed labels.

Following from the first observation regarding the Laplacian, the minimization problem can be rewritten and then relaxed to $\min_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^N} \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{L} \mathbf{y}$ subject to the same constraints. Show that the closed form solution is

$$\mathbf{y}_U = -\mathbf{L}_{UU}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{L}_{US} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{y}}_S$$

where w.l.o.g. we assume that the Laplacian matrix is partitioned into blocks for labeled and unlabeled nodes as

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{SS} & \mathbf{L}_{SU} \\ \mathbf{L}_{US} & \mathbf{L}_{UU} \end{pmatrix}.$$

3 Spectral GNNs

Problem 3: Consider the spectral GNN given by

$$\mathbf{Z} = \phi(\mathbf{U}g(\mathbf{\Lambda})\mathbf{U}^T\varphi(\mathbf{X})),$$

where ϕ and φ are non-linear, parametrized functions, e.g. multi-layer perceptrons. For this exercise we choose a polynomial filter of the form

$$g(\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \theta_k \lambda^k.$$

Note that instead of parametrizing the spectral filter g we can also choose fixed coefficients θ_k , for example

$$\theta_k = \frac{(-t)^k}{k!}$$

where $t > 0$ is a hyperparameter that we can fine-tune.

Show that this choice of g constraints the possible graph filters.

4 PPNP

Problem 4: The iterative equation of PPNP is given by

$$\mathbf{H}^{(l+1)} = (1 - \alpha)\hat{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{H}^{(l)} + \alpha\mathbf{H}^{(0)}$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\tilde{\mathbf{A}}\tilde{\mathbf{D}}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ is the propagation matrix. Derive the closed form solution for infinitely many propagation steps.

Hint: If we have for a matrix \mathbf{T} that all its eigenvalues λ are strictly between -1 and 1 , an equivalent matrix formulation of the geometric series formula holds and

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{T}^k = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{T})^{-1}.$$

Hint: The eigenvalues λ_i of any normalized Laplacian $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ are $0 \leq \lambda_i \leq 2$.
