DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION Low dimensionality embedding

DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

- Multiple reasons to do it
	- ◆ 2D/3D visualisation
	- ‣ Curse of Dimensionality / Scalability
	- ‣ Correlated input features

VISUALIZATION

- Your data is perfectly fine, but you want to intuitively understand how it is organized
	- ‣ Are there groups of similar objects?
	- ‣ Are my clusters meaningful?
	- ‣ Is my classification/clustering on some types of elements and not others.

CURSE OF DIMENSIONALITY

- Having hundreds/thousands of attributes is a problem for data analysis.
	- ‣ e.g.: medicine: blood analysis, genomics….
	- ‣ e.g.: cooking recipes: each column an ingredient…
- We want to reduce number of attributes while keeping most of the information
- Scalability

CORRELATION

- Assume that you have correlated features such as age, height and weight.
	- ‣ Linear regression will attribute the coefficients somewhat randomly between them
	- ‣ Decision tree will spend a lot of time choosing between them for no reason
- Dimensionality reduction can create a single variable to capture what is common
	- ‣ The rest can be lost or captured by another feature,

PCA

- PCA: Principal Component Analysis
- Defines new dimensions that are linear combinations of initial dimensions
	- ‣ Objective: concentrate the **variance** on some dimensions
		- So that we can keep only these ones.
		- Those we remove contain low variance, thus low information
- Similar principle than the Fourier transform technique for image compression

PCA

- Algorithm:
	- ‣ 1)Find an "axis", a unit vector defining a line in the space
		- That minimizes the variance=>the squared distance from all points to that line
- 2)For d in (initial_d-1)
	- ‣ Find another axis, with two constraints:
		- Orthogonal to all previous axis
		- Among those, minimize the variance
- 3)At the end, keep the first k dimensions/axis
	- ‣ Some information is lost

PCA VS LINEAR REGRESSION

Variance, i.e., squared error to the mean on a chosen axis

Squared error, minimizes distance to a line, on a particular axis (target)

Old axis: [0,1] [1,0]

200000 175000 150000 125000 $\frac{9}{5}$ 100000 75000 50000 25000 100 20 60 $80₂$ 40 surface

New axis 1 [50,100 000] $=$ >[1,20 000]

> Old axis: [0,1] [1,0]

New axis 2 No choice: orthogonal to axis 1

In 3D: Second choice in a plan Third choice imposed by orthogonality

pca.components_

 $[9.999999885e+04, -4.79586975e+01]$

 $=$ >[-48, 9999] $=$ >[1, 2083]

Covariance matrix (original) Covariance matrix (pca)

[7.27810651e+02, 1.48478888e+06], [1.48478888e+06, 3.09597381e+09]

Sum of variance 2897097325.718247

3.09597381e+09 727.810 2.89709731e+09 17.501 Variance by dimension Variance by dimension

[2.89709731e+09, **0**] [**0**, 1.75019564e+01]

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AFTER STANDARDIZATION

 $[1. 98675899],$ $[0.98675899, 1.]$

2 2

 $[1.98675899e+00, 0],$ [0, 1.32410092e-02]

Sum of variance Sum of variance

1 1 1.98675899 0.01324101 Variance by dimension Variance by dimension

Explained variance(ratio) [0.9933795, 0.0066205]

3D=>2D

CHOOSING COMPONENTS

• How to choose k?

- ‣ Elbow method
- ‣ OR fix beforehand a min threshold of explained variance, e.g.: 80%
	- We are fine with losing 20% of information

COMPUTATION IN PRACTICE

- Find the eigenvectors of the covariance matrix of centered data
- \cdot If you want k new dimensions, pick the k eigenvectors associated with the *k* largest eigenvalues
	- \rightarrow Eigenvalues = explained variance
- The eigenvectors corresponding to the top eigenvalues are coefficients of the linear transformation

PCA POPULARITY

- Why is PCA popular?
- Similar reasons than linear regression:
	- ‣ Historically important
	- ‣ Analytical solutions
		- Guarantee to find the global minimum of the objective
		- Could be done before modern computers
	- ‣ Interpretable solution
	- ‣ Intuitively pleasant
- No reason to consider it "better" than other methods...

NON-LINEAR SITUATIONS

Pearson correlation(d1,d2): 0

NONLINEAR DATA

MANIFOLDS

MANIFOLDS

- Manifolds are another approach to dimensionality reduction
- The general principle is to
	- 1) Define a notion of distance between elements in the original space
	- ‣ 2)Define a notion of distance between elements in a reduced, target space
	- 3)Minimize the difference between distances in original and target space
- In many cases, the process is nonlinear, i.e., we choose distances such as
	- ‣ We care more about preserving close proximity than exact distance for nodes that are "far" from each other

Manifold Learning with 1000 points, 10 neighbors

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MNIST - PCA

 $\overline{2}$

 $\frac{1}{4}$

6

 $\mathbin{-8}$

 -4

 -2

MNIST - TSNE

MDS

- MDS: Multi-dimensional Scaling:
	- ‣ Simply minimize distance between original space and target space
		- e.g., d-dimensional forced to 2-dimensional
- How to do it?
	- 1) Compute all pairwise distances between Objects=>similarity matrix
		- $-$ n \times f matrix \Rightarrow n \times n matrix
	- 2) Compute PCA on this similarity matrix
		- PCA preserves columns information => preserve distance on a similarity matrix
- Problems:
	- Very costly (nb features=nb elements), n^2
	- Try to preserve all distances, therefore extremely constrained

MDS

ISOMAP

- Variation of MDS
	- ‣ 1)We define a graph such as two elements are connected if they are at distance<threshold. (Alternative: fixed number of neighbors)
		- Put a weight on edges=euclidean distance
	- 2) Compute a similarity matrix, such as distance = weighted shortest path distance
	- ‣ 3)Apply PCA on it
- Computing shortest paths on a graph is fast
	- ‣ Floyd–Warshall algorithm
- Much less constraints

MDS (3 sec) Spe

T-SNE

- t-SNE : t-distributed stochastic neighbor embedding
- Non-linear dimensionality reduction
- Currently the most popular method for visualizing data in low dimensions

T-SNE

- General principle:
	- \triangleright Define a notion of similarity $p_{j|i}$ in the high dimensional space P
	- \bullet Define a notion of similarity $q_{j|i}$ in the low dimensional space Q
	- For each point of initial coordinates x_i , find a new coordinate y_i in the lower dimensional space, such as to minimize the difference between P and Q
		- \forall _{*i*,*j*} $p_{j|i} \approx q_{j|i}$

- Distance in the original space *P*
	- \triangleright To compute how far *j* is from *i*, consider a normal distribution centered in *j* with variance *σ*

► Mathematically: the raw distance is given as $s_{j|i}^P = e^{-\frac{||x_i - x_j||^2}{2\sigma^2}}$ 2*σ*2

 \rightarrow $p_{j|i} =$ $S_{j|i}^P$ $\sum_{k\neq i} s_{j|k}^P$

- Normalizes the similarity by sum of similarity to all other points.
- *-* With proper σ, local definition of similarity

T-SNE

• Previous method, SNE, defines similarity in Q in the same way, setting for convenience $\sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$, thus 1 2

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\leftarrow s_{j|i}^Q = e^{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}
$$

- *y* are *computed* new features

$$
\text{With } q_{j|i} = \frac{s_{j|i}^Q}{\sum_{k \neq i} s_{j|k}^Q}
$$

- Define the similarity between P and Q
	- ‣ Minimize the KL-divergence (Kullback-Leibler divergence)

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C = \text{KL} \left(P \parallel Q \right) = \sum_{i \neq j} p_{ij} \log \frac{p_{ij}}{q_{ij}}
$$

- ‣ KL: Information theory:
	- Average additional number of bits required to encode a sample from P using the optimal code to encode samples of *Q*
	- Non-symmetric

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- Solved by gradient descent ‣ ∂*C* ∂*yi* $= 2 \sum$ *j* $(p_{j|i} - q_{j|i} + p_{i|j} - q_{i|j})(y_i - y_j)$
	- y_i is the vector of i in the new space

$$
\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = 2 \sum_j (p_{j|i} - q_{j|i} + p_{i|j} - q_{i|j})(y_i - y_j)
$$

- Intuitive interpretation:
	- ‣ Imagine a system of attraction/springs between points
	- ‣ If the distance is right, left=0, don't move
	- If is "too far", left is positive, we go in the direction of j
	- \triangleright If *i* is "too close", left is negative, we move away from *j*

- Missing part: how to fix σ for similarity in original space?
- Density of points is assumed heterogeneous, σ is chosen independently for each point.
	- \rightarrow User fix a parameter of **perplexity**, $perp(\mathbf{p}_i) = 2^{H(\mathbf{p}_i)}$

With
$$
H(P_i) = -\sum_j p_{j|i} log_2 p_{j|i}
$$
 Shannon Entropy

- Search for σ_i to obtain the right perplexity.
- ‣ Idea similar to imposing a fix number of neighbors
	- But you can have few points at very short distance and many at long distance
	- Or many at medium distance
	- As long as the overall distribution of distance is respected

INFLUENCE OF PERPLEXITY

T-SNE

- T-SNE modifies the distance in the lower dimensional space
- It uses a Student-t distribution, which leads to several advantages
	- ‣ Makes optimisation easier and faster
	- ‣ Tends to "exaggerate" similarities/dissimilarities
		- Emphasizes clusters, i.e., groups of nodes all close together

LOW DIMENSIONAL EMBEDDINGS

EMBEDDINGS

- A recent usage of low dimensional embeddings is to encode complex objects as vectors
	- ‣ Words as Vector => Word2Vec
	- ‣ Nodes (of graph) as Vectors => Node2Vec
	- ‣ Documents as Vectors => Doc2Vec
	- \mathbf{v} ….

WORD EMBEDDING

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- Words can be understood as a (very) high dimensional space
	- ‣ Using One Hot encoding: vocabulary of 1000 words=>1000 columns
- Could we assign a vector in "low dimension", encoding the "semantic" of a word?
	- ‣ Two words with similar meanings should be close

Word embedding Corpus => Word = vectors Similar embedding= similar **context**

[http://mccormickml.com/2016/04/19/word2vec-tutorial-the-skip-gram-model/] 48

Output weights for "car"

Probability that if you randomly pick a word

nearby "ants", that it is "car"

https://towardsdatascience.com/word2vec-skip-gram-model-part-1-intuition-78614e4d6e0b

N=embedding size. **V**=vocabulary size

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[<https://blog.acolyer.org/2016/04/21/the-amazing-power-of-word-vectors/>]

Table 8: Examples of the word pair relationships, using the best word vectors from Table $\frac{q}{r}$ (Skipgram model trained on 783M words with 300 dimensionality).

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PRE-TRAINED

- You can easily train word2vec on your own dataset, but it needs to be large enough
	- ‣ https://radimrehurek.com/gensim/models/word2vec.html
- You can use pre-trained embeddings, trained on enormous corpus (Twitter, Wikipedia…)
	- ‣ e.g., Glove:<https://nlp.stanford.edu/projects/glove/>

USAGE

- Single words=> Use directly vectors
- Short texts=> Weighted average vectors (more weights to more important words, e.g., rare words: TF-IDF…)
- Long texts=> More tricky. Need other approaches (Doc2vec, RNN)

USAGE

- Parameters:
	- ‣ Embedding dimensions *d*
	- ‣ Context size

GRAPH EMBEDDING

GENERIC "SKIPGRAM"

• Algorithm that takes an input:

- ‣ The element to embed
- ‣ A list of "context" elements
- Provide as output:
	- ‣ An embedding with interesting properties
		- Works well for machine learning
		- Similar elements are close in the embedding
		- Somewhat preserves the overall structure

DEEPWALK

- Skipgram for graphs:
	- **I) Generate "sentences" using random walks**
	- ‣ 2)Apply Skipgram
- Parameters:
	- ‣ Same as Skipgram
		- Embedding dimensions *d*
		- Context size
	- ‣ Parameters for "sentence" generation: length of random walks, number of walks starting from each node, etc.

Perozzi, B., Al-Rfou, R., & Skiena, S. (2014, August). Deepwalk: Online learning of social representations. In *Proceedings of the 20th ACM SIGKDD international conference on Knowledge discovery and data mining* (pp. 701-710). ACM.

NODE2VEC

- Use biased random walk to tune the context to capture *what we want*
	- "Breadth first" like RW => local neighborhood (edge probability?)
	- ‣ "Depth-first" like RW => global structure ? (Communities ?)
	- ‣ 2 parameters to tune:
		- **p**: bias towards revisiting the previous node
		- **q**: bias towards exploring undiscovered parts of the network

Figure 2: Illustration of the random walk procedure in *node2vec*. The walk just transitioned from t to v and is now evaluating its next step out of node v. Edge labels indicate search biases α .

Grover, A., & Leskovec, J. (2016, August). node2vec: Scalable feature learning for networks. In *Proceedings of the 22nd ACM SIGKDD international conference on Knowledge* discovery and data mining (pp. 855-864). ACM. 59