Exact Recovery of Sparsely-Used Dictionaries

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Sparse Approximation





Dictionary

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Data

Dictionary Learning

Given a sample matrix Y (n-by-p), find A (n-by-n) and X(n-by-p), such that

1. Y = AX 2. X is sparse.

Both A and X are unknown.

Over-Complete Case

Given a sample matrix Y (m-by-p), and n, find A (m-by-n) and X (n-by-p), such that

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3. m<n





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Son-Convexity: Bilinear Form

Previous Works:

Aharon, Elad, and Bruckstein: K-SVD

Mairal, Bach, Ponce, and Sapiro: Online Dictionary Learning

Geng, and Wright: Local Analysis

Vainsencher, Mannor and Bruckstein: Generalization Bound

A ladder to Global Optimum



Model:

A is non-singular, and square.
X is Bernoulli-Gaussian.
p is large ($p \sim n \log n$)
Bernoulli-Gaussian Prob. NZ: θ NZ entry: N(0,1)

The Algorithm

For i=1 to p

$$w_i = \operatorname{arg\,min}_{w} || w^T Y ||_1 \text{ s.t. } (Ye_i)^T w = 1$$

 $x_i = w_i^T Y$

end

Advantages and Future Work

Provable performance guarantee.

Higher Accuracy

Over-completeNoise

Results

Is the Answer Unique?

 $\min_{A,X} \|X\|_0$
s.t. Y = AX

Unique up to scaling, and permutation when: 1/n < θ ≤ 1/4 the sample #: p>cnlogn n: dimension

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Combination of Rows



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Unbalanced b is used to break the symmetry.

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As long as |T|>|S|

v_1 is the solution.



X

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Suppose $j = \arg \max_i |b(i)|$

We will get the jth row of X if there is a large gap between |b(j)| and the rest.

 $\hat{v} = [0, 0, \dots, 1/b_i, 0, \dots, 0]^T$

We prefer a sparse b. If $r = Ye_i$ $\min_{v} \| \mathbf{v}^T X \|_1$ s.t. $b^T v = 1$ $\min_{w} \| w^T Y \|_1$ s.t. $\mathbf{r}^T w = 1$

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Expected # of nonzeros per column:

$$(\theta n)\theta \le \left(\frac{c}{\sqrt{n\log n}}\right)^2 n = \frac{c^2}{\log n} < 1$$

Zero Columns+Unique Columns

Recovery of all rows

Recover all rows of X, when p is large.
Rows of X are the only sparse vectors in span(Y).

Greedy algorithm

The Algorithm

Initialize: $X(1,:) = \arg \min_{x_i} \|x_i\|_0$

For i=2:n

 $X(i,:) = \arg\min_{x_i} \| x_i \|_0 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x_i \notin \operatorname{span}(X)$



The Algorithm

For i=1 to n For j=1 to p $r = P_{W^c} Y e_j$ $w_i = \arg \min_{w} || w^T Y ||_1$ s.t. $r^T w = 1$ end $W(:,i) = \arg\min_{w_i} \| w_i^T Y \|_0$ $X(i,:) = W(:,i)^T Y$

end

Simulations



k=#nnz per column
k=1:10 10 trials for each configuration
n=10:10:60
p=5nlogn

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Thank you!