TDbasedUFE and TDbasedUFEadv: bioconductor packages to perform tensor decomposition based unsupervised feature extraction

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Abstract

We have proposed tensor decomposition (TD) based unsupervised feature extraction (FE) six years ago and applied it to wide range of bioinformatics problem. Although TD based unsupervised FE was generally applied to bioinformatics, it can have capability to select features under the situation of large p small n problem. In spite of successful applications, TD based unsupervised FE cannot be popular in the field of bioinfotmatics. In order to let the reserachers who are not familiar with TD to perform TD based unsupervised FE, we developed R packages, TDbasedUFE and TDbasedUFEadv and submit it to Bioconductor, which is a long running R package repository for bioinformatics. In this poster, we introduce mathematical background behind TD based unsupervised FE.

1. Introduction

In bioinformatics, large p small n problem is very usual, since the number of genes (features) is as many as 10^4 whereas the number of subjects (conditions) is as small as 10 to 10^2. Thus, it is required to have some method to deal with large p small n problem effectively. We have proposed a method, TD based unsupervised FE six years ago and applied it to various problems in bioinformatics. In spite of successful applications to various problems, its popularity is not enough. Then we have released two bioconductor packages by which one can make use of TD based unsupervised FE.

2. Feature selection procedure

TD base unsupervised FE follows the following procedures.

Feature selection

1. Suppose that we have a tensor $x_{ijk} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M \times K}$ that represents the amount of the value of the ith feature of the jth and kth conditions (although we assume here three mode tensor, extension to tensors with higher modes is straightforward).

2. Apply higher order singular value decomposition (HOSVD) to x_{ijk} and get Tucker decomposition as

$$x_{ijk} = \sum_{\ell_1=1}^{N} \sum_{\ell_2=1}^{M} \sum_{\ell_3=1}^{K} G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3) u_{\ell_1 i} u_{\ell_2 j} u_{\ell_3 k} \quad (1)$$

where $G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M \times K}$ is a core tensor that represents the weight of product, $u_{\ell_1 i} u_{\ell_2 j} u_{\ell_3 k}$ to x_{ijk}, $u_{\ell_1 i} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}, u_{\ell_2 j} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times M}, u_{\ell_3 k} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$ are singular value matrices and orthogonal matrices.

3. Identify singular value vectors of interest, $u_{\ell_2 j}$ and $u_{\ell_3 k}$, among those attributed to conditions, j and k (e.g., distinction between class labels, etc).

4. Select a $u_{\ell_1 i}$ associated with the largest absolute value of $G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3)$ with fixed ℓ_2 and ℓ_3 selected in the previous step among those attributed to features.

5. Optimize the standard deviation, σ_{ℓ_1}, (see below) of the Gaussian distribution that the selected $u_{\ell_1 i}$ is supposed to obey (the null hypothesis).

6. Attribute P-values to ith feature as

$$P_i = P_{\chi^2} \left[> \left(\frac{u_{\ell_1 i}}{\sigma_{\ell_1}} \right) \right] \quad (2)$$

where $P_{\chi^2}[> x]$ is the cumulative χ^2 distribution where the argument is larger than x.

7. P_is are corrected by Benjamini-Hochberg (BH) criterion (multiple comparison correction) and is associated with the threshold value (typically, 0.01 or 0.05) are selected.

3. Optimization of standard deviation

The standard deviation is overestimated if we include outliers that are supposed to be deviated from the null distribution. To exclude outliers from the estimation of the standard deviation, we perform as follows.

Optimization of SD

1. Set threshold adjusted P-value, P_0, and the initial value of standard deviation, σ_{ℓ_1}.

2. Compute P_i and correct P_i with BH criterion.

3. Exclude is with adjusted P-values less than P_0 as outliers.

4. Compute histogram, h_n, of P_i (with arbitrary bins).

5. Compute the standard deviation, σ_{h_n}, of h_n.

6. Update σ_{ℓ_1} such that σ_{h_n} decreases (with arbitrary minimization algorithm).

7. Go back to the step 2 and repeat until we can find σ_{ℓ_1} that enables σ_{h_n} to have mimminum values.

The purpose of the above procedure is to find a set of is whose associated P_is filly obey Gaussian, since h_n should be constant, i.e., $\sigma_{h_n} = 0$, if a set of is is that associated P_is fully obey Gaussian.

4. Integration of multiple profiles

Shared conditions

Suppose that we have K multiple profiles $x_{i_k jk} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_k \times M \times K}$ that represents the amount of value of i_kth feature of jth condition of kth profile. We compute matrices as $x_{jj'k} = \sum_{i_k=1}^{N_k} x_{i_k jk} x_{i_k j'k} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times M \times K}$ to which HOSVD is applied and we get

$$x_{jj'k} = \sum_{\ell_1=1}^{M} \sum_{\ell_2=1}^{M} \sum_{\ell_3=1}^{K} G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3) u_{\ell_1 j} u_{\ell_2 j'} u_{\ell_3 k} \quad (3)$$

After identifying $u_{\ell_1 j}$ of interest, $u_{\ell_2 i_K}$ is recovered as $u_{\ell_1 i_k} = \sum_{j=1}^{M} x_{i_k jk} u_{\ell_1 j}$. The remaining procedure till feature selection is similar to the above.

Shared features

Suppose that we have K multiple profiles $x_{ijk} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M_k \times K}$ that represents the amount of value of ith feature of j_kth condition of kth profile. We compute matrices as $x_{ii'k} = \sum_{j_k=1}^{M_k} x_{ij_k k} x_{i'j_k k} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N \times K}$ to which HOSVD is applied and we get

$$x_{ii'k} = \sum_{\ell_1=1}^{N} \sum_{\ell_2=1}^{N} \sum_{\ell_3=1}^{K} G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3) u_{\ell_1 i} u_{\ell_2 i'} u_{\ell_3 k} \quad (4)$$

Missing singular value vectors attributed to conditions, $u_{\ell_1 j_k}$, can be recovered as $u_{\ell_1 j_k} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{ij_k k} u_{\ell_1 i}$. The remaining procedure till feature selection is similar to the above.

5. Integration of two profiles

Shared conditions

Suppose that we have two profiles $x_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$ and $x_{kj} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times M}$ that represents the values of ith and kth feature of jth condition, respectively. Generate tensor $x_{ijk} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M \times K}$ as $x_{ijk} = x_{ij} x_{kj}$ and apply the feature selection procedure as described above. Only modification is that we need to identify only one singngular value vector, $u_{\ell_2 j}$, of interest whereas we need to identify two singular value vectors, $u_{\ell_1 i}$ and $u_{\ell_3 k}$ that have the largest absolute value of $G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3)$ with fixed ℓ_2.

Reduction of required memory

Since $N \times M \times K$ can be very large, we often ought to reduce the size of matrices. For this we take partial summation of x_{ijk} as $x_{ik} = \sum_{j=1}^{M} x_{ijk}$ and singular value decomposition (SVD) was applyed to $x_{ik} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times K}$ as

$$x_{ik} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \lambda_\ell u_{\ell i} u_{\ell k} \quad (5)$$

and missing singular value vectors attributed to conditions, js, can be recovered as $u_{\ell j}^{(i)} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{ij} u_{\ell i}, u_{\ell j}^{(k)} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} x_{kj} u_{\ell k}$. After identifying the singular value vector, $u_{\ell j}^{(i)}$ or $u_{\ell j}^{(k)}$, of interest, the corresponding $u_{\ell i}$ or $u_{\ell k}$ is used to attribute P-values to ith or kth feature with eq. (2) (For k, i must be replaced with k). Features is and ks with adjusted P-values less than threshold value are selected.

Shared features

Suppose that we have two profiles $x_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$ and $x_{ik} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times K}$ that represents the values of ith feature of jth and kth conditions, respectively. Generate tensor $x_{ijk} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M \times K}$ as $x_{ijk} = x_{ij} x_{ik}$ and apply the feature selection procedure as described above.

Reduction of required memory

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$$x_{jk} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \lambda_\ell u_{\ell j} u_{\ell k} \quad (6)$$

and missing singular value vectors attributed to features, is, can be recovered as $u_{\ell i}^{(j)} = \sum_{j=1}^{M} x_{ij} u_{\ell j}, u_{\ell i}^{(k)} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} x_{ik} u_{\ell k}$. After identifying the singular value vector, $u_{\ell j}$ or $u_{\ell k}$, of interest, the corresponding $u_{\ell i}^{(j)}$ or $u_{\ell i}^{(k)}$ is used to attribute P-values to ith feature with eq. (2). Features is with adjusted P-values less than threshold value are selected, although there are two distinct sets of is selected dependent upon whether j or k is considered.

6. Integration of multiple profiles II

Shared conditions

Suppose that we have K multiple profiles $x_{i_k jk} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_k \times M \times K}$ that represents the amount of value of $i_k$the feature of jth condition of kth profile. We applied SVD to them as $x_{i_k jk} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \lambda_\ell u_{\ell i_k} u_{\ell jk}$. HOSVD was applied to $u_{\ell jk} \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times M \times K}$ as

$$u_{\ell jk} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \sum_{j=1}^{M} \sum_{k=1}^{K} G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3) u_{\ell_1 \ell} u_{\ell_2 j} u_{\ell_3 k}. \quad (7)$$

Missing singular value vectors attributed to features can be recovered as $u_{\ell_2 i_k} = \sum_{j=1}^{M} x_{i_k jk} u_{\ell_2 j}$ after identifying the $u_{\ell_2 j}$ of interest. The remaining procedure till feature selection is similar to the above.

Shared features

Suppose that we have K multiple profiles $x_{ijk} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M_k \times K}$ that represents the amount of value of $i$the feature of j_kth condition of kth profile. We applied SVD to them as $x_{ijk} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \lambda_\ell u_{\ell ik} u_{\ell jk}$. HOSVD was applied to $u_{\ell ik} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times L \times K}$ as

$$u_{\ell ik} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} G(\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3) u_{\ell_1 \ell} u_{\ell_2 i} u_{\ell_3 k}. \quad (8)$$
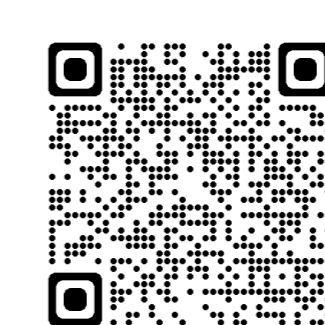
Missing singular value vectors attributed to conditions can be recovered as $u_{\ell_2 j_k} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{ij_k k} u_{\ell_2 i}$ then $u_{\ell_2 j}$ of interest is selected. The remaining procedure till feature selection is similar to the above.

7. TDbasedUFE and TDbasedUFEadv

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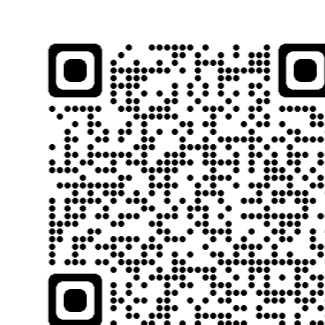
TDbasedUFEadv

We released two bioconductor packages to perform the above analyses easily.
TDbasedUFE implemented "2. Feature selection procedure" and "4. Integration of multiple profiles" whereas TDbasedUFEadv implemented "5. Integration of two profiles" and "6. Integration of multiple profiles II", respectively. Both implemented "3. Optimization of standard deviation" as well.