

Kernel based methods for microarray and mass spectrometry data analysis

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Motivation and problem description

Goal

Application of regularization/kernel based methods and adaptation to the areas of high dimensional and low sample/large scale data.

Methods

Prediction models, model selection, variable selection, clustering.

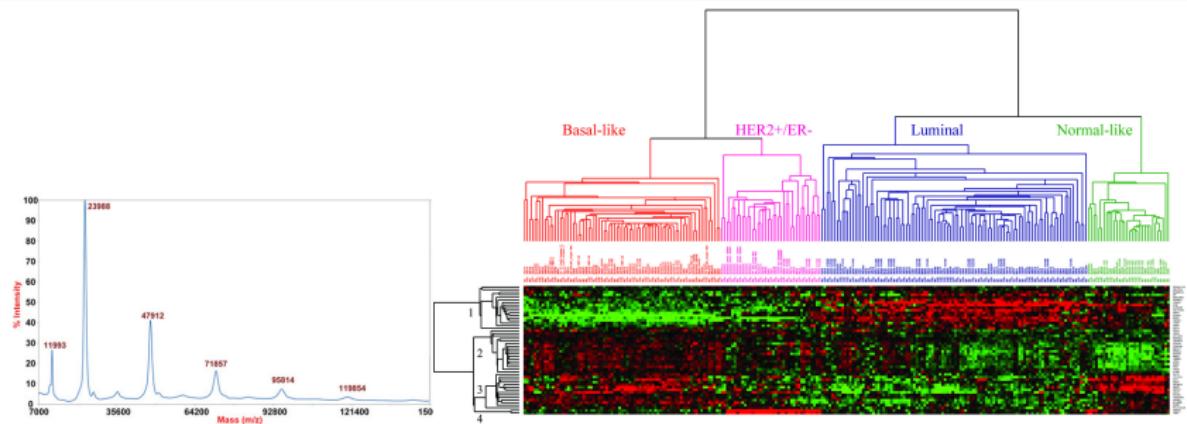
Application

- Efficient variable selection algorithms for microarray data.
- Incorporate structural information of MSI data.
- Clustering methods for large scale gene clustering.

Motivation and problem description

Microarray / mass spectrometry data

- Simultaneous measure of thousands of genes / proteins.
- Structural and prior information.
- Large number of variables, low sample size.
- Irrelevant variables.
- Lack of labeled data.



Regularized learning models

Microarray/MSI data representation

$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$, $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$, n samples measured over d variables.

$$y_i = \sum_{k=1}^d w_k x_i^k + \varepsilon_i \quad \varepsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2) , \quad (1)$$

- x_i^k : k -th component of \mathbf{x}_i .

Solve for $\hat{\mathbf{w}} = (\hat{w}_1, \dots, \hat{w}_d)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 + \lambda P(\mathbf{w}) . \quad (2)$$

- $\lambda > 0$, regularization parameter ($\lambda = 0$, OLS)
- Ridge regression $P(\mathbf{w}) = \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2$, LASSO $P(\mathbf{w}) = \|\mathbf{w}\|_1$

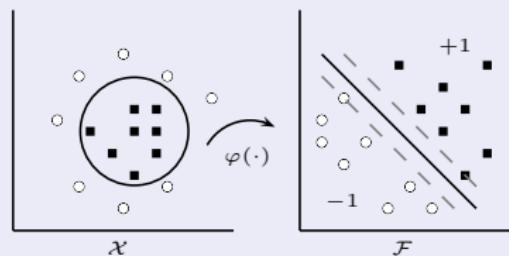
$P(\cdot)$ encodes *a priori* assumptions to make problem well-posed.

Kernel methods

- No assumptions about data structure.
- Allow introduction of prior knowledge.
- Input space \mathcal{X} mapped to high dimensional space \mathcal{F} .
- Non-linear general versions of linear algorithms.

Kernel trick

Mapping: $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \varphi(\mathbf{x})$. Kernel: $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \varphi(\mathbf{x})^\top \varphi(\mathbf{z})$.



- Linear: $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{z}$.
- Polynomial: $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{z} + \tau)^p$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $\tau \geq 0$.
- Gaussian: $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) = \exp(-\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{z}\|_2^2/\sigma^2)$, $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}$ kernel width.

Least Squares Support Vector Machines (LS-SVM)

Optimization problem

Model: $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^\top \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i) + b$

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{w}, b, e} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w} + \gamma \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 \\ & \text{s.t. } y_i = \mathbf{w}^\top \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i) + b + e_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \end{aligned}$$

Estimate parameters $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_h}$ and feature map $\varphi(\cdot) : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_h}$.

Linear equations: Dual Solve in $\boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, via kernel trick

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} \boldsymbol{\Omega} + \gamma^{-1} \mathbf{I}_n & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1}^\top & 0 \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{\alpha} \\ b \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{y} \\ 0 \end{array} \right].$$

Model: $f(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_i) + b)$.

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Variable selection problem

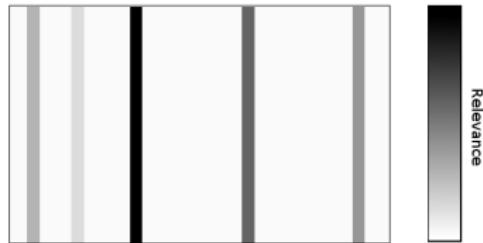
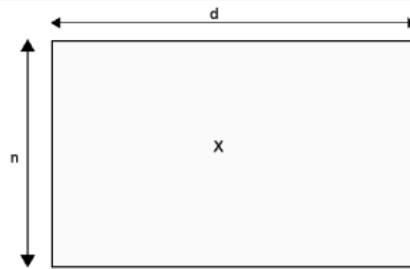
Definition

Given $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$, $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$, let $\mathcal{S} = \{\mathbf{x}^1, \dots, \mathbf{x}^k, \dots, \mathbf{x}^d\}$.

Find $\mathcal{S}^* \subset \mathcal{S}$, $\mathcal{S}^* \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $m < d$, minimizing $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{S}^*} \leq \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{S}}$, e.g. LOO error.

Elements

- $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{S}^*} \rightarrow$ easy/cheap to evaluate.
- Exploit any (if possible) structure of the predictor.
- Reduce computational complexity.



Rank-one updates

Linear kernels can be written in outer product form

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega} = \left[\mathbf{x}^1, \dots, \mathbf{x}^d \right] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}^d \end{bmatrix}^\top = \sum_{k=1}^d \mathbf{x}^k \mathbf{x}^{k\top}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \boldsymbol{\Omega} + \gamma^{-1} \mathbf{I}_n = \sum_{k=1}^d \mathbf{x}^k \mathbf{x}^{k\top} + \gamma^{-1} \mathbf{I}_n .$$

At the level of variable \mathbf{x}^k

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_k &= \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \mathbf{x}^j \mathbf{x}^{j\top} + \gamma^{-1} \mathbf{I}_n + \mathbf{x}^k \mathbf{x}^{k\top} \\ \mathbf{H}_k &= \mathbf{H}_{k-1} + \mathbf{x}^k \mathbf{x}^{k\top} . \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Key point compute \mathbf{H}_k^{-1} from \mathbf{H}_{k-1}^{-1} and obtain $\boldsymbol{\alpha}^*, b^*$.

Low rank updates

With Cholesky factorization $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\top = \boldsymbol{\Omega} + \gamma^{-1}\mathbf{I}_n$, then adding new variable \mathbf{x}^k results in a *rank-1* modification to \mathbf{L}

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\top = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\top + \mathbf{x}^k\mathbf{x}^{k\top} . \quad (4)$$

The modified Cholesky factor is

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\top &= \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^\top + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top \\ &= \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^\top)\mathbf{L}^\top \\ &= \mathbf{L}\bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^\top\mathbf{L}^\top ,\end{aligned}\quad (5)$$

$\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$ can be directly computed from \mathbf{L} . Updated model parameters become:

$$\tilde{b} = \mathbf{1}^\top \tilde{\boldsymbol{\chi}} (\mathbf{1}^\top \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}})^{-1} , \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} = \tilde{\boldsymbol{\chi}} - \tilde{b}\tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}} . \quad (6)$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\top \tilde{\boldsymbol{\chi}} = \mathbf{y}$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\top \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}} = \mathbf{1}$.

Experiments

Data

Gene expression data.

- Leukemia. $n = 72$, $d = 7129$.
- Colon cancer $n = 60$, $d = 2000$.

Algorithms

- SVM-RFE with and without retraining
- Naive LS-SVM with forward selection.
- LS-SVM with fast LOO and rank-one modifications.

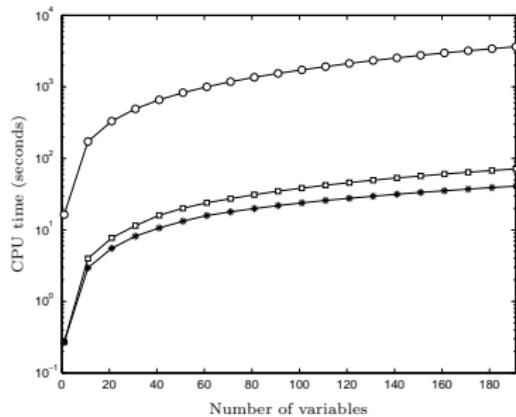
Validation

- Computational complexity.
- 10-fold cross-validation.

Computational time. Colon data set.

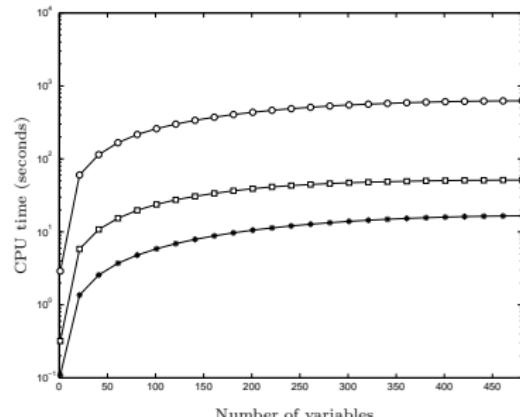
Goal: Select 200 and 500 genes.

Forward algorithms



Baseline LS-SVM (○), LOO bound (□),
Low rank *updated* LS-SVM (*)
Improvement by two orders.

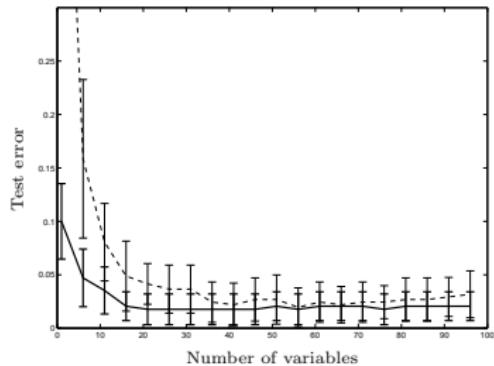
Backward algorithms



SVM-RFE1 (○), SVM-RFE2 (□), Low
rank *downdated* LS-SVM(*).

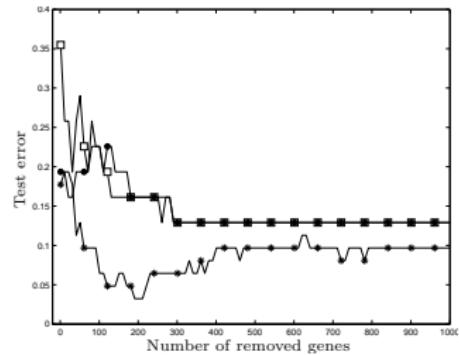
Prediction performance. Test error.

Colon data set



LOO-Bound (Dashed), Low rank *updated* LS-SVM (Solid).

Leukemia data set



SVM-RFE1 (\bullet) and SVM-RFE2 (\square),
Low rank *downdated* LS-SVM (*).

Extension to polynomial kernels

Explicit feature map – yield **low rank matrices**.

Explicit feature map $\varphi_p(\cdot)$ for polynomial kernel of degree p

$$\varphi_p(z) = \left[1, \sqrt{\binom{p}{1}} z, \dots, \sqrt{\binom{p}{p-1}} z^{p-1}, z^p \right]^\top , \quad (7)$$

with $\varphi_p(\cdot) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{p+1}$. Hence, Gram matrix becomes

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega}_p^d = \sum_{k=1}^d \boldsymbol{\Omega}_p^k \quad \text{with } \boldsymbol{\Omega}_p^k = \sum_{l=0}^p (\varphi_l \circ \mathbf{x}^k)(\varphi_l \circ \mathbf{x}^k)^\top , \quad (8)$$

Matrix notation

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega}_p^k = \Phi_p^k \Phi_p^{k^\top} , \quad (9)$$

$\Phi_p^k = [(\varphi_0 \circ \mathbf{x}^k), \dots, (\varphi_p \circ \mathbf{x}^k)]$ is a $n \times (p + 1)$ matrix.

Polynomial updates

For a Gram matrix the following holds

$$\text{rank} \left(\Phi_p^k \right) = \text{rank} \left(\Phi_p^k \Phi_p^{k\top} \right) = \text{rank} \left(\Omega_p^k \right) , \quad (10)$$

that is $\text{rank} \left(\Omega_p^k \right) \leq p + 1$.

For all inputs, $k = 1, \dots, d$, Ω_p^d is a sum of d rank- $(p + 1)$ matrices

$$\text{rank} \left(\Omega_p^d \right) = \text{rank} \left(\sum_{k=1}^d \Omega_p^k \right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^d \text{rank} \left(\Omega_p^k \right) . \quad (11)$$

Note: For linear kernel $\Omega^d = \Omega$, outer product definition.

rank- $(p + 1)$ updates

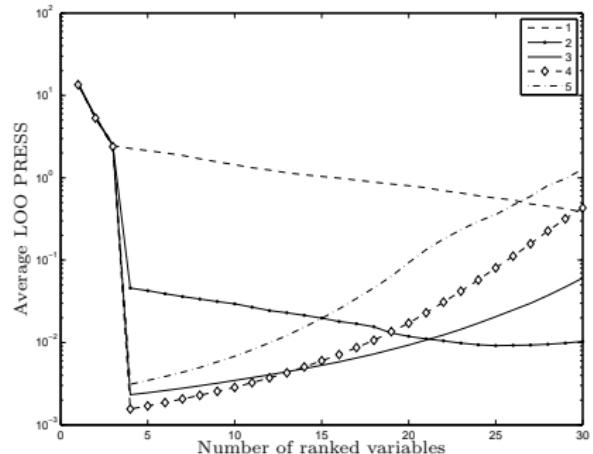
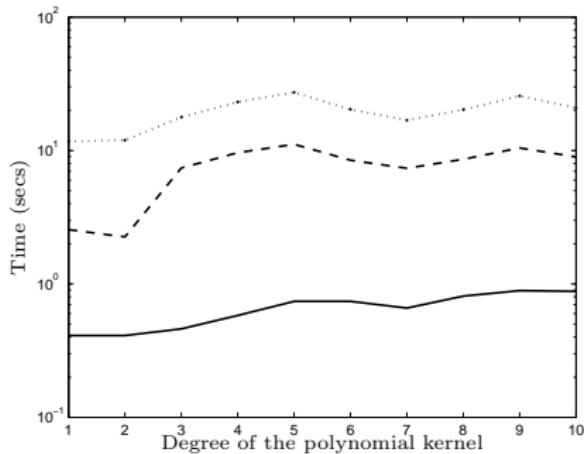
$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\top = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{L}^\top + \Phi_p^k \Phi_p^{k\top} . \quad (12)$$

Apply $(p + 1)$ **rank-1** updates sequentially over columns of Φ_p^k .

Experimental results

Synthetic data set with $n = 100$ and $d = 500$:

$$y_i = 10 \operatorname{sinc}(x_i^1) + 20(x_i^2 - 0.5)^2 + 10x_i^3 + 5x_i^4 + \epsilon_i, \epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$



- Time required to computed 50 updates
- Linear and quadratic model do not retrieve true variables.

Benchmark

Benchmark study: 11 UCI data sets.

LS-SVM			LowR LS-SVM				SVM		
Kernel	RBF		Linear		Polynomial		RBF		
Algorithm	LS-SVM	LS-SVM	ARD	LowR-lin	LowR-poly2	LowR-poly3	$R\ \mathbf{w}\ _2^2$	Span	$\ \mathbf{w}\ _2^2$
BREAST	26.73 ± 0.47	29.08 ± 0.41	27.88 ± 5.14	33.34 ± 4.82	34.06 ± 4.90	26.84 ± 4.71	25.59 ± 4.18	x	
DIABETES	23.34 ± 0.17	24.35 ± 0.19	23.55 ± 1.71	25.46 ± 2.20	25.45 ± 1.93	23.25 ± 1.70	23.19 ± 1.67	28.50	
FLARE	34.22 ± 0.17	34.39 ± 0.19	33.49 ± 1.70	33.82 ± 1.65	33.31 ± 1.78		x	x	x
GERMAN	23.55 ± 0.22	26.10 ± 0.26	24.97 ± 2.17	28.29 ± 2.69	28.89 ± 2.59		x	x	x
HEART	16.64 ± 0.36	23.65 ± 0.35	16.41 ± 3.14	16.83 ± 3.25	17.85 ± 3.72	15.92 ± 3.18	16.13 ± 3.11	27.00	
IMAGE	3.00 ± 0.16	1.96 ± 0.11	18.44 ± 0.72	10.56 ± 1.03	7.99 ± 0.78		x	x	x
RINGNORM	1.61 ± 0.01	2.11 ± 0.04	25.43 ± 0.55	5.48 ± 0.54	6.18 ± 0.53		x	x	8.40
SPLICE	10.97 ± 0.16	5.86 ± 0.18	16.13 ± 0.66	10.55 ± 0.41	6.91 ± 0.50		x	x	x
THYROID	4.68 ± 0.23	4.68 ± 0.20	20.24 ± 5.05	18.57 ± 4.61	11.87 ± 4.13	4.62 ± 2.03	4.56 ± 1.97	x	
TWONORM	2.84 ± 0.02	5.18 ± 0.07	2.53 ± 0.18	2.67 ± 0.21	3.43 ± 0.27		x	x	9.30
WAVEFORM	9.79 ± 0.04	13.56 ± 0.14	14.69 ± 0.10	11.13 ± 0.57	11.41 ± 0.56		x	x	x

Error rates averaged over 100 test data realizations.

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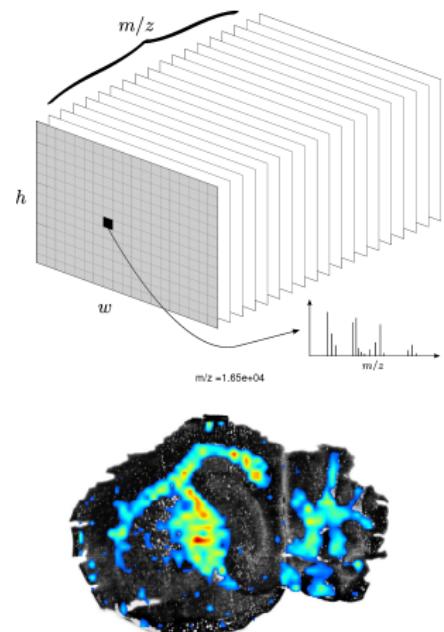
Sparse models for MSI data

Challenges

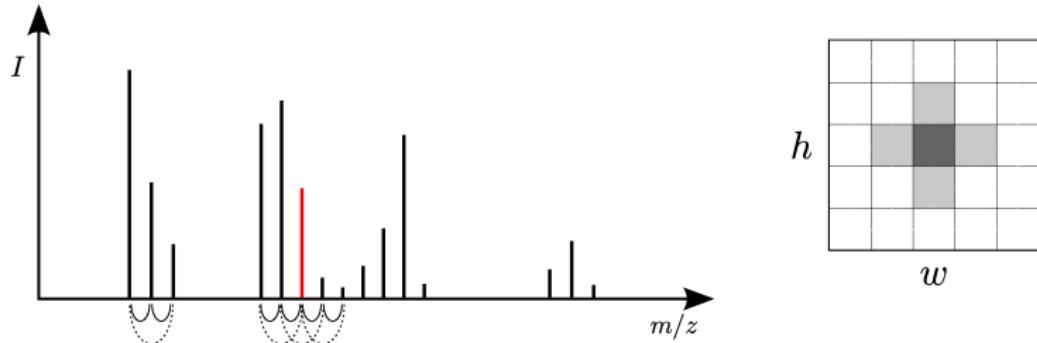
- Small fraction of labeled spectra
- Spatial information usually discarded
- Model structural information of MSI data?

Approach

- ① Regularized least-squares problem
- ② Add extra penalty terms to model
 - ▶ ordering of the m/z variables
 - ▶ spatial location on tissue of spectra
- ③ Produce sparse solutions



Structural information in MSI



- *Left:* First order (solid) and second order (dashed) connectivity structure over the set of the variables.
- *Right:* *Cross-like* spatial neighborhood imposed over the set of spectra.

Goal: Encoding *prior* information into the learning framework.

Encoding ordered variables

Every m/z variable \mathbf{x}^k is connected to the preceding \mathbf{x}^{k-1} and the subsequent \mathbf{x}^{k+1} .

Graph \mathcal{G}^p over set of variables, a node per $\mathbf{x}^k, k = 1, \dots, d$. Thus $L_{\mathbf{w}} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ is the Laplacian over the set of variables, and we have

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^d |w_k| + \lambda_2 \mathbf{w}^\top L_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w} , \quad (13)$$

Regularization

- $\lambda_1 > 0$, second term enforces sparsity on \mathbf{w} ,
- $\lambda_2 > 0$, third term smooths \mathbf{w} on the network.

Encoding prior spatial information

Each spectrum is a node in \mathcal{G}^s , $L_s \in \mathbb{R}^{n_s \times n_s}$ is constructed using *cross-like* neighborhood pattern.

Introducing penalty for predicted responses, *i.e.* $\hat{\mathbf{y}}^\top L_s \hat{\mathbf{y}}$, then

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^d |w_k| + \lambda_2 \mathbf{w}^\top L_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{w} \quad (14)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \hat{\mathbf{y}}^\top L_s \hat{\mathbf{y}} \leq \xi, \quad (15)$$

$$\hat{y}_j = \sum_{k=1}^d w_k x_j^k, \quad j = 1, \dots, n_s . \quad (16)$$

where $\xi > 0$ controls the influence of this term.

Encoding prior spatial information (cont.)

Expressing $\mathbf{w}^\top (\mathbf{X}_s)^\top L_s(\mathbf{X}_s) \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}^\top G_s \mathbf{w}$ and defining
 $H_{\lambda_3} = L_{\mathbf{w}} + \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_2} G_s$, with $\lambda_3 > 0$

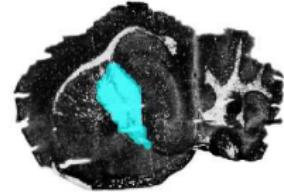
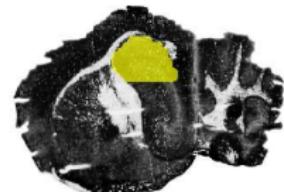
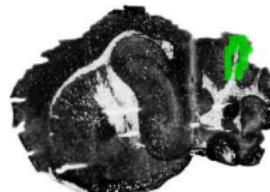
$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{w}} &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{0}_{d \times 1} - \sqrt{\lambda_2} H_{\lambda_3}^{1/2} \mathbf{w}\|_2^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^d |w_k| , \\ &= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{0}_{d \times 1} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \sqrt{\lambda_2} H_{\lambda_3}^{1/2} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{w} \right\|_2^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^d |w_k| . \quad (17)\end{aligned}$$

- Modified problem with dimensions $(n + d) \times d$.
- Solution obtained via LARS (Least Angle Regression) algorithm.
- $\lambda_3 = 0$ and $L_{\mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{I}$ corresponds to Elastic net (ENET) algorithm.

Experiments

- Data set: sagittal section of mouse brain.
- Spatial grid of 51×34 measurements (i.e. 1734 pixels).
- Measurements from 2800 to 25000 Da in 6490 (m/z) bins.
- Data structure: $n = 1734$ mass spectra, $d = 6490$ m/z variables.
- Partial labels for 279 spectra of four anatomical regions

cerebellar cortex (cc)
Ammon's horn (ca)
cauda-putamen (cp)
lateral ventricle (vl)

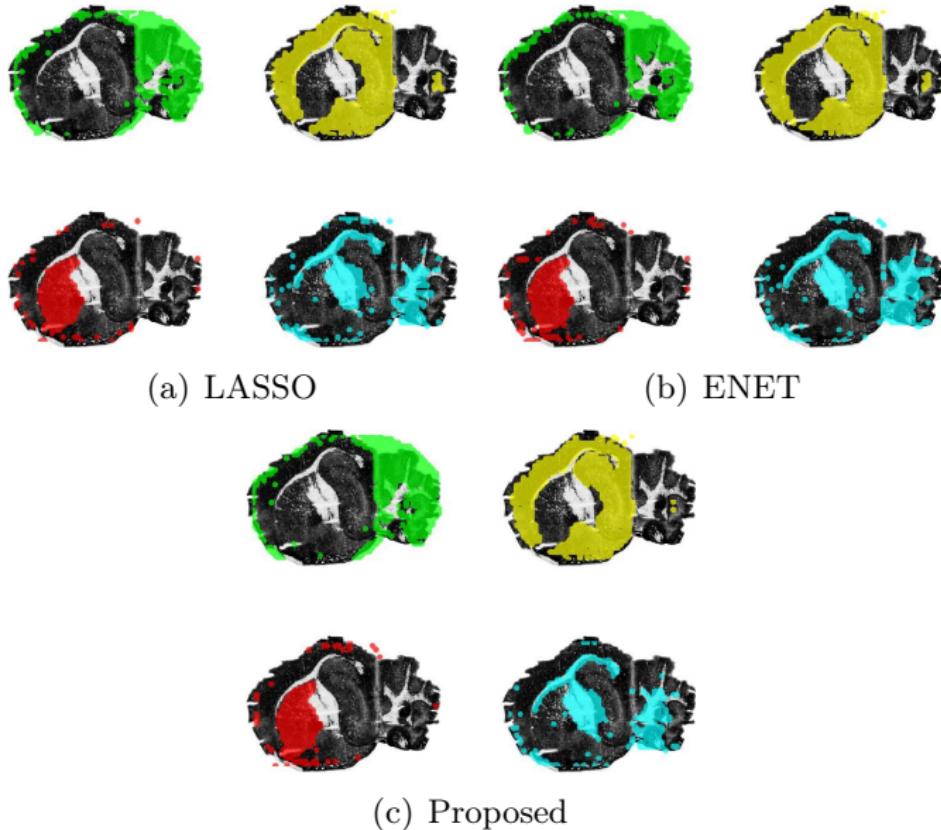


Multi-class ones-vs-one results

Classes	10-fold accuracy				
	LASSO	ENET	Proposed		
<i>cc</i> vs <i>ca</i>	1.0000 (0.0)	1.0000 (0.0)	1	(0)	
<i>cc</i> vs <i>cp</i>	0.9738 (0.0532)	0.9905 (0.0202)	0.9288	(0.1076)	
<i>cc</i> vs <i>vl</i>	0.9250 (0.1208)	0.9333 (0.1097)	0.8938	(0.1719)	
<i>ca</i> vs <i>cp</i>	0.9740 (0.0436)	0.9687 (0.0477)	0.9758	(0.0319)	
<i>ca</i> vs <i>vl</i>	0.9143 (0.0732)	0.9330 (0.0549)	0.9446	(0.0447)	
<i>cp</i> vs <i>vl</i>	0.9142 (0.0739)	0.9123 (0.0766)	0.9288	(0.0580)	

Table: Multi-class one-vs-one and 10-fold cross-validation results.

Visualization



Visualization (cont.)

- Clear differentiation of (vl) and (cp) from surrounding.
- (vl) delineates to elongated corpus callosum and cerebellar nucleus.
- (cc) exceed intended boundaries, few labeled examples (21)
- (ca) extends to capture complete hippocampus.

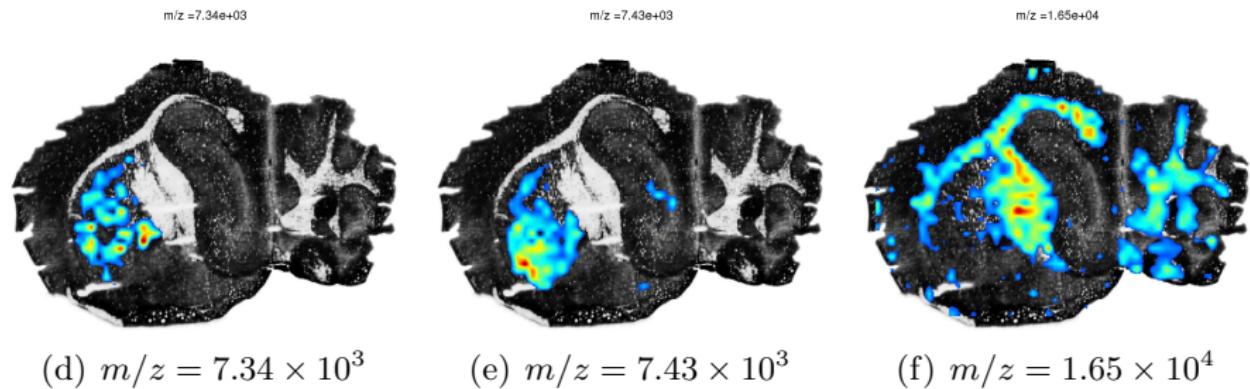


Figure: Selected m/z variables discriminating the (cc) and (vl) tissue regions. Left most variable at $m/z = 1.65e+4$ Da only appears in the proposed model.

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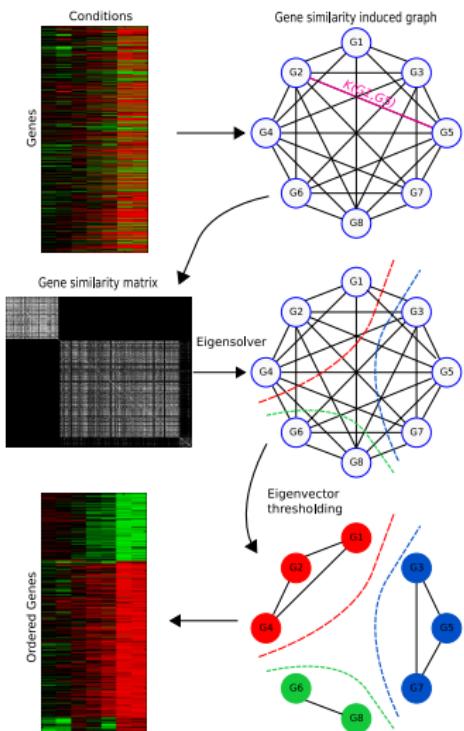
Entropy based selection for spectral clustering

Challenges

- Traditionally clustering uses full set of genes
- How to assign future test genes?
- How to perform training/validation?
Prevent overfitting?

Approach

- ① Select genes via entropy maximization
- ② Build clustering model on subsample
- ③ Tune model parameters
- ④ Infer cluster for remaining genes



Entropy selection

Underlying density distribution where $\Omega_h \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ Parzen estimator.

$$H_S = -\log \int p(x)^2 dx$$

$$H_S \approx H_R = \int \hat{p}(x)^2 dx = \frac{1}{m^2} \mathbf{1}^\top \Omega_h \mathbf{1} .$$

Spectral clustering - weighted kernel PCA

Weight matrix $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{D}^{-1}$ and $\Phi = [\varphi(\mathbf{x}_1)^\top; \dots; \varphi(\mathbf{x}_n)^\top]$

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{z}} \quad \gamma \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{V} \mathbf{z} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w}$$

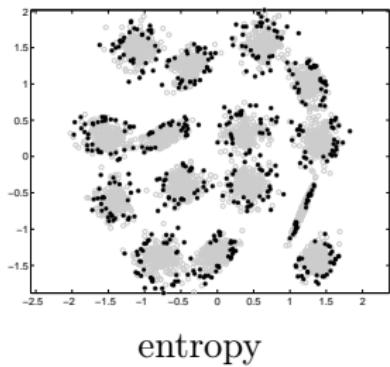
$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{z} = \Phi \mathbf{w} , \quad \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}^\top > 0 ,$$

Eigenvalue problem: $\mathbf{V} \Omega \alpha = \lambda \alpha$, with $\Omega_{ij} = K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j)$, $\lambda = 1/\gamma$.

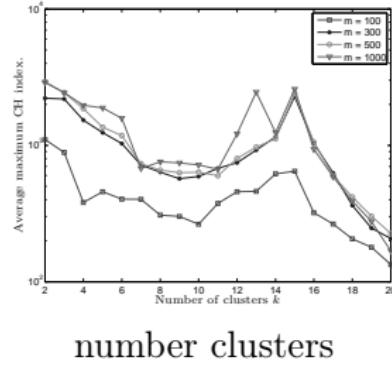
For a new sample \mathbf{x} , $z^{(r)}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1} \alpha_i^{(r)} K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x})$, $r = 1, \dots, k$.

Simulated data – proof of concept

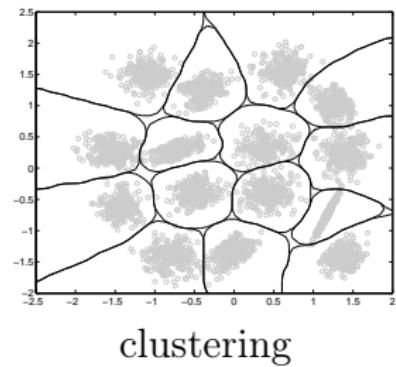
Data set with $k = 15$ clusters, $n = 15000$, $m = 500$.



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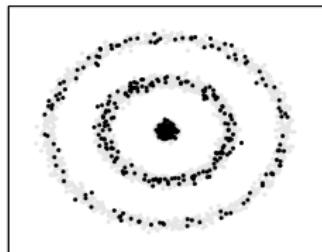


number clusters

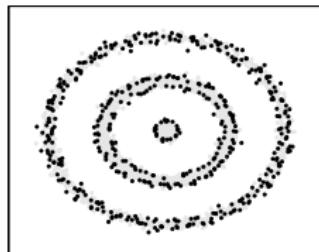


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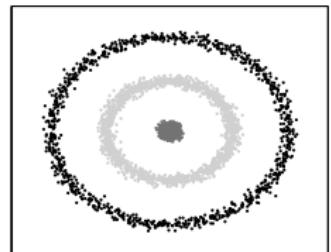
Non-linear example: $n = 7000$, $m = 500$.



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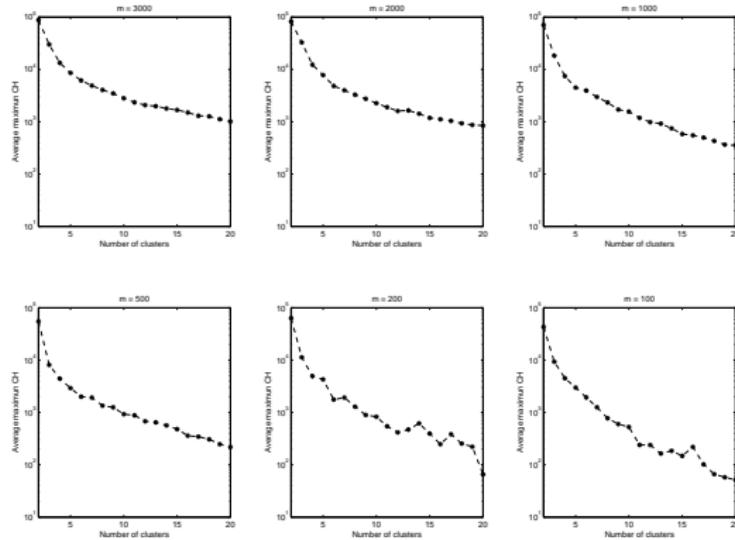
entropy



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NCI60 microarray data set

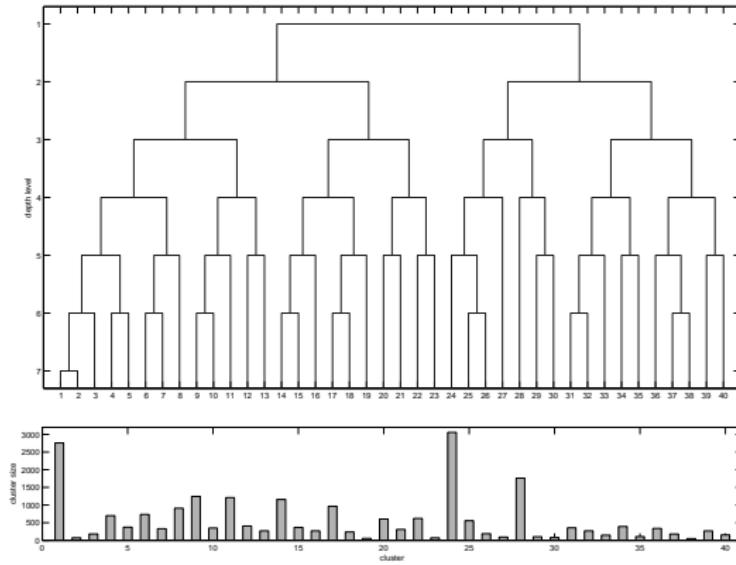
- Genes $n = 22000$, arrays $d = 108$.
- $m \in \{100, \dots, 3000\}$, $k \in \{2, \dots, 20\}$, $\sigma \in [10^{-3}, \dots, 500] \times \sqrt{d}$
- 20 randomizations



Subtle clusters obfuscated by two large groups.

NCI60 – Recursive spectral clustering

- $\text{maxdepth} = 10$, $k_{\text{max}} = 5$, $m_{\text{min}} = 100$, $m_{\text{max}} = 1000$
- 20 randomizations. Different resolutions, adjusted σ range.



- Bipartition at each level. Total of 40 clusters on the leaves.
- Three major clusters account for 33% of data set.

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Conclusions

- Low rank-updated LS-SVM for variable selection
 - ▶ Linear kernels
 - ▶ Componentwise polynomial kernels
 - ▶ Efficient LOO computation
- Sparse models for MSI data
 - ▶ Partially labeled data
 - ▶ Encoding of structural data properties
 - ▶ Additional constraints – modified optimization problem
- Entropy based selection for spectral clustering
 - ▶ Model selection
 - ▶ Recursive implementation
 - ▶ Large scale data

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