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4.3. Diffusion maps $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}^P$

$$GC(V, E, W)$$

$$v_i \longleftrightarrow x_i$$

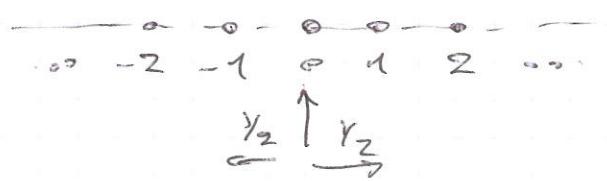
First construct a homogeneous random walk

$X_t, t=0, t_1, \dots$, on $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \times$

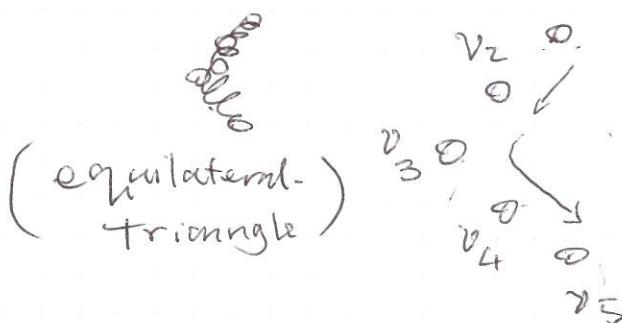
Random Walks

Path on a space from random steps.

$$j = i-1, i+1$$



$$P(X_t = j | X_{t-1} = i) = \begin{cases} 1/2 & \text{transition} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$$P(X_t = v_j | X_{t-1} = v_i)$$

$$\propto d(v_i, v_j)$$

$$t=1 \quad P(X_1 = v_5 | X_0 = v_1) = P(X_1 = v_3 | X_0 = v_1)$$

$$t=2 \quad P(X_2 = v_5 | X_0 = v_1) \leq P(X_2 = v_3 | X_0 = v_1)$$

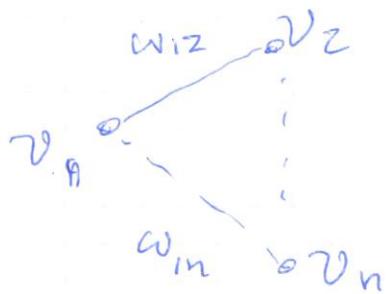


Transition matrix \rightarrow Stochastic matrix

$$M = (m_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i, j \leq n}}$$

$$0 \leq m_{ij} \leq 1$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n m_{ij} = 1$$



$$m_{12} = \frac{w_{12}}{\sum_i w_{1i}}$$

$$\deg(i) = \sum_j w_{ij}$$

$$W = (w_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$$

$$M = (m_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$$

- $P(X_{t+1}=j | X_t=i) = m_{ij}$

- $m_{ij} = \frac{w_{ij}}{\deg(i)} \Rightarrow M = D^{-1}W$

$$D = \text{diag}(\deg(1), \dots, \deg(n))$$

$$P(X_t=j | X_0=i) = ?$$

$$P(X_0=i) = \varphi_i \rightarrow P(X_1=j) = \sum P(X_0=i) P(X_1=j | X_0=i)$$

$$\rightarrow P(X_1=j) = \sum \varphi_i m_{ij}$$

$$\varPhi = (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n)$$

$$\varPhi^T M = \underbrace{(\varPhi(X_1=1), \dots, \varPhi(X_1=n))}_{\varPhi^{(1)} T}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{\underline{P^T M^t}} = \underline{\underline{\Phi^{(t)}}}^T$$

State graph at time t .

M^t → characterizes conditional probabilities
of $\Phi(X_t=j | X_0=i)$

$$M^t = (m_{ij}^{(t)})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$$

$$(m_{ii}^{(t)}, \dots, m_{nn}^{(t)})$$

$$v_i^0 \rightarrow e_i^T M^t$$

$$e_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ i \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^{\text{ith}}$$

If v_i and v_j are close - strongly connected
in the graph - then $e_i^T M^t$ and $e_j^T M^t$ will be
similar.

$$\underline{\underline{M^t}}$$

$M = D^{-1}W$ is not symmetric, the normalized
matrix $S = D^{1/2} M D^{-1/2} = D^{-1/2} W D^{-1/2}$;

S is symmetric and has the spectral decomposition

$$S = V \Lambda V^T \quad \Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$$

$$\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= D^{-1/2} S D^{1/2} = D^{-1/2} \cancel{S} V \Lambda V^T D^{1/2} \\
 &= (\underbrace{D^{-1/2} V}_{\Phi}) \Lambda (\underbrace{D^{1/2} V^T}_{\Psi})^T \\
 &= \Phi \Lambda \Psi^T
 \end{aligned}$$

$\Phi = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$ and $\Psi = (\psi_1, \dots, \psi_n)$

then is

$$\Phi^T \Psi = V^T D^{-1/2} D^{1/2} V = V^T V = I$$

ϕ and ψ are bi-orthogonal.

equivalently $\phi_i^T \psi_j = \delta_{ij}$

and λ_k s are the eigenvalues of M with left and right eigenvalues ϕ_i, ψ_j .

$$\begin{aligned}
 M \psi_k &= \Phi \Lambda \Psi^T \psi_k = \Phi \Lambda e_k = \lambda_k \Phi e_k \\
 &\quad \leftarrow = \lambda_k \phi_k \\
 \Rightarrow \psi_k^T M &= \lambda_k \psi_k^T
 \end{aligned}$$

$$M = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \phi_k \psi_k^T$$

$$M^T = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k^T \psi_k \phi_k^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_i^T M^t &= \sum_{k=1}^n (\lambda_k^t e_i^T \phi_k) \psi_k^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k^t \underbrace{\phi_k}_{\text{basis}} \psi_k^T \end{aligned}$$

$e_i^T M^t$ are represented in terms of the basis

ψ_1, \dots, ψ_n with coefficients $\lambda_k^t \phi_{ki}, k=1, \dots, n$,
with $\phi_k = (\phi_{k1}, \dots, \phi_{kn})^T$.

These coefficients define the diffusion map.

Def. 4.5. The diffusion map at step time t

is defined as $\Phi_t(v_i) = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1^t \phi_{1i} \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n^t \phi_{ni} \end{bmatrix} \quad i=1, \dots, n$.

Thm. 4.6 The eigenvalues of M , given by $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, satisfy $|\lambda_k| \leq 1$. It holds that

$M \mathbf{1}_n = \mathbf{1}_n$, i.e., $\mathbf{1}_n$ is an eigenvector of M and 1 an eigenvalue.

Proof:

$$M = (m_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$$

$$\sum_j m_{ij} = 1 \iff \sum_j \Phi(X_t=j | X_{t-\tau}=i) = 1$$

$$M \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = I_n \Rightarrow \lambda = 1 \text{ and } 1_n \text{ eigenvector}$$

$|\lambda_K| \leq 1$ ($\lambda_K \circ u_K$) eigenvalue / eigenvector

$$Mu_K = \lambda_K u_K \Rightarrow \sum_j m_{ij} u_{kj} = \lambda_K u_{Kj}$$

$$|\lambda_K u_{Kj}| = |\sum_j m_{ij} u_{kj}| \leq \sum_j m_{ij} |u_{kj}|$$

$$u_K = (u_{K1}, \dots, u_{Kn})^T.$$

$$u_{Kj} \neq 0 \Rightarrow |\lambda_K| \leq \sum_j m_{ij} \frac{|u_{kj}|}{|u_{Kj}|}$$

$$\text{is } |u_{Kj}| = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |u_{kj}| \Rightarrow \frac{|u_{kj}|}{|u_{Kj}|} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda_K| \leq \sum_j m_{ij} = 1.$$

□

$$\phi_t(v_i) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \lambda_2^t \phi_{2,i} \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_n^t \phi_{n,i} \end{bmatrix} =$$

If λ_k is small, λ_k^t is rather small for moderate t . This motivates truncating the diffusion map to d dimensions.

Def 4.7 The diffusion map truncated to d dimensions is defined as

$$\phi_t^{(d)}(v_i) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2^t \phi_{2,i} \\ \vdots \\ \lambda_d^t \phi_{d+1,i} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\phi_t^{(d)}$ is an approximate embedding of v_1, \dots, v_n in a d -dimensional Euclidean space.

The connection between the Euclidean distance in the diffusion map coordinates and the distance between the probabilities is given in the following theorem.

Theorem 4.8 For any pair of nodes v_i and v_j it holds:

$$\|\phi_t(v_i) - \phi_t(v_j)\|^2 = \sum_{l=1}^n \frac{1}{\deg(l)} \left(P(X_l=l | X_0=i) - P(X_l=l | X_0=j) \right)^2$$

5. Classification and clustering

Classification and clustering is one of the central tasks in machine learning.

Given a set of data points, the purpose is to classify the points into sub-groups, which express closeness or ~~or~~ similarity of the points and which are represented by a cluster head.

5.1 Discriminant analysis:

Consider g populations/groups/classes G_1, \dots, G_g represented by a p.d.f. $f_i(x)$ on \mathbb{R}^P , $i=1, \dots, g$.

A discriminant rule divides \mathbb{R}^P into disjoint regions R_1, \dots, R_g , $\bigcup_{i=1}^g R_i = \mathbb{R}^P$.

The rule is defined by:

allocate some observation x to C_i if $x \in R_i$

Often the p.d.f. is completely unknown or the parameters must be estimated from a training set $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}^P$. with known class allocation.

→ Fisher's linear discriminant analysis