

Section 2 (Skip-gram with negative sampling (SGNS) setup)

skip-gram model: stream of words $w_i \in [N]$, contexts $c_i \in [N]^L := [M]$

observed in n pairs (w_i, c_i) (so c_i is fixed window around w_i)

and looking for word representations w_1, \dots, w_N ,
context representations c_1, \dots, c_M

to maximise

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(w_i, c_i; w_1, \dots, w_N, c_1, \dots, c_M)$$

where

$$f(w, c) = \mathbb{E}_L \left\{ \log \left(\sigma(w_k^T c_L) \right) \right\} + t \cdot \mathbb{E} \left\{ \log \left(\sigma(-w_k^T c_L) \right) \right\}$$

where $L \sim \text{categorical} \left\{ \frac{n_1(c)}{n}, \dots, \frac{n_m(c)}{n} \right\}$

and $\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$ is the standard logistic function logit

which, by the way, satisfies $\sigma(x) = 1 - \sigma(-x)$, and $\sigma^{-1}(p) = \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$

Binary logistic regression

$$\mathbb{P}(Y=1|X) = \sigma(\theta^T X) ; \mathbb{P}(Y=0|X) = 1 - \sigma(\theta^T X) = \sigma(-\theta^T X)$$

Interpretation:

Fix c_1, \dots, c_m , and replace $t \cdot \mathbb{E} \left\{ \log \left(\sigma(-w_k^T c_L) \right) \right\}$
with $\log \left(\sigma(-w_k^T c_{L_1}) \right) + \dots + \log \left(\sigma(-w_k^T c_{L_t}) \right)$

L_i : i.i.d. replicates of L

Then optimising

$$\mathbb{E}_L \left\{ \log \left(\sigma(w_k^T c_L) \right) \right\} + \log \left(\sigma(-w_k^T c_{L_1}) \right) + \dots + \log \left(\sigma(-w_k^T c_{L_t}) \right)$$

for w_k is fitting a logistic classifier to recognise c_L as valid (class 1)
and c_{L_i} as invalid (class 0)

Section 3 (Implicit matrix factorization)

Remember we are looking to maximize

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(w_i, c_i; W_1, \dots, W_N, C_1, \dots, C_M)$$

where

$$f(k, l; \dots) = \log \left\{ \delta(W_k^T C_l) \right\} + t \cdot \mathbb{E} \left\{ \log \delta(-W_k^T C_l) \right\}$$

$$\text{where } L \sim \text{categorical} \left\{ \frac{n_1^{(c)}}{n}, \dots, \frac{n_M^{(c)}}{n} \right\}$$

Let $M_{kl} = W_k^T \cdot C_l$. Then can write objective as optimisation

$$\text{of } \sum_{kl} (\text{terms involving } M_{kl})$$

where each term in the sum is

$$n_{kl}^{(wc)} \log \left\{ \delta(M_{kl}) \right\} + t \cdot n_k^{(w)} \cdot \frac{n_l^{(c)}}{n} \cdot \log \left\{ \delta(-M_{kl}) \right\}$$

Now look to maximize for each $p = \delta(M_{kl})$:

$$n_{kl}^{(wc)} \log(p) + t \cdot n_k^{(w)} \cdot \frac{n_l^{(c)}}{n} \log(1-p)$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{n_{kl}^{(wc)}}{n_{kl}^{(wc)} + \frac{t n_k^{(w)} n_l^{(c)}}{n}}$$

$$\hat{m}_{kl} = \logit(\hat{p}) = \log \left(\frac{\hat{p}}{1-\hat{p}} \right) = \log \left\{ n \frac{n_{kl}^{(wc)}}{t n_k^{(w)} n_l^{(c)}} \right\}$$

$$= \log \left\{ \frac{n_{kl}^{(wc)} / n}{(n_k^{(w)} / n) (n_l^{(c)} / n)} \right\} - \log(t)$$

For discrete variables X, Y , the pointwise mutual information matrix is

$$\log \left\{ \frac{P(x, y)}{P(x)P(y)} \right\}, \quad \text{and so } \hat{M} \text{ can be viewed as a shifted empirical PMI.}$$

Obviously can find decomposition $\hat{M}_{kl} = \hat{W}_k^T \cdot \hat{C}_l$

if \hat{W}_k, \hat{C}_l are high-dimensional enough (e.g. via SVD)

So the claim is SVD is factoring \hat{M} , but I don't know how to make this statement formal if you admit \hat{W}_k, \hat{C}_l aren't arbitrarily high-dimensional.

Just because:

$$\hat{M} = \hat{W} \hat{C}^T, \text{ when } \hat{W}, \hat{C} = \text{arg max (objective function)} \text{ (unconstrained)}$$

doesn't mean:

$$\hat{M} \approx \tilde{W} \tilde{C}^T, \text{ when } \tilde{W}, \tilde{C} = \text{arg max (obj)} \text{ (constrained)}$$

A weighted matrix factorization?

SVD of \hat{M} gives $\bar{M} = \bar{W} \bar{C}^T$ to minimize $\|\hat{M} - \bar{M}\|_F^2 = \sum |\hat{M}_{ij} - \bar{M}_{ij}|^2$

However, we see that objective

$$\underbrace{\sum_{k,l} n_{kl}^{(w)} \log \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)}_a + t \cdot \underbrace{\sum_{k,l} n_{kl}^{(c)} \cdot \frac{n_{kl}^{(c)}}{n} \cdot \log \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)}_c$$

is not a fixed function of $\hat{M}_{kl} = \log \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)$

and in fact for $\log \left(\frac{a}{b} \right)$ fixed, i.e. $\frac{n_{kl}}{n_k n_l}$ fixed,

contribution is α times higher if coord k or content l appears α more times.

Performance metrics

- rank correlation between word pairs (human assessed similarity) (Spearman correlation)

and corresponding cosine similarity $s(u, v) = \frac{u^T v}{\|u\| \|v\|}$

- analogy "Paris is to France as Tokyo is to Japan"

find using cosine $s(b, a^*) s(b, b) / [s(b, a) + \epsilon]$ ← hidden

e.g. $s(\text{Japan, France}) s(\text{Japan, Tokyo}) / s(\text{Japan, Paris})$