Multi-label Classification: A Deep Sparse Decomposition Perspective

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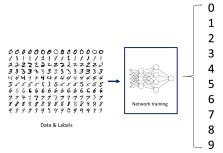






Multi-class vs Multi-label Classification

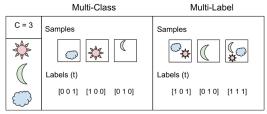
Multi-class Classification





- **Multi-class** classification; the most popular ML task, i.e. finding the corresponding class to a given sample, among different classes of objects.
- Has been usually learned supervised or semi-supervised.
- It can be cast as nearest neighbour search in a feature space. 3

Multi-label Classification



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- Multi-label classification: secondary classes are not mutually exclusive, i.e. each given sample may have multiple associated primary classes.
- The number of secondary classes can become huge. Solving the problem is computationally intractable, i.e. NP-hard .
- Under some **dissimilarity criterion** between classes, the multi-label classification becomes a polynomial time .

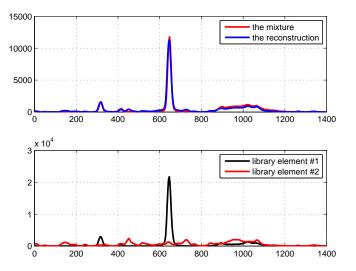
Exemplar Applications

Raman Spectroscopy

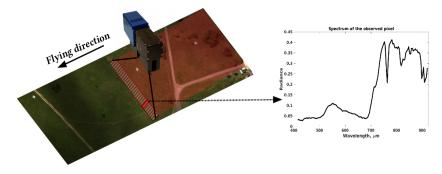


- Raman Spectrometers measure the **spectral shifts** of the transmitted laser beam.
- Identifying chemical components of samples from spectral data.
- Low computational power and high accuracy in hand-help spectrometers.

Raman Spectral Decomposition

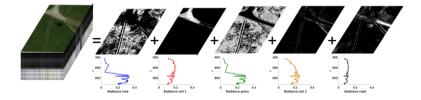


Hyperspectral Imagery



- (Push broom) Hyperspectral Imagers measure the **spectral features** of the reflected lights.
- Big data problem; how to classify the materials for real-time clustering and object detection.

Hyperspectral Image Analysis



Decomposing the spectral images or strips to the constituent spectra

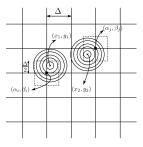
Capacitive Touch Sensors



- Measuring the changes in the electrical field.
- The most popular multitouch interface for smart devices.
- Low computational power and real-time.

Multitouch Sensing



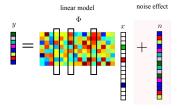


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$$t(x,y) \approx \sum_{1 \le i \le K} a_i e^{-\frac{(x-x_i)^2 + (y-y_i)^2}{\sigma^2}} \\ = e^{-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sigma^2}} * \sum_{1 \le i \le K} a_i \delta_{x_i, x_j}(x, y) \\ = g(x, y) * d(x, y)$$

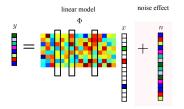
Non-Negative Sparse Model for Multi-label Classification

Non-negative Sparse Decomposition



- y is generated by weighted superposition of a few columns of Φ, *i.e.* atoms. Φ is called a dictionary. x holds the positive weights and n is an additive noise.
- Sparse decomposition is generally an NP-hard problem.

Multi-label Classification with a Linear Mixing Model



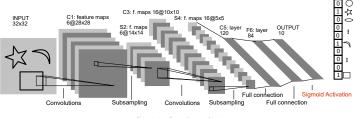
- **y** can represent the convoluted sample, with labels S_{γ} .
- S_y is associated with the support of x, i.e. non-negative element indices.
- Columns of Φ , ϕ , represent classes centre of masses.
- "Non-negative sparse decomposition" then becomes a multi-label classification problem.

Sparse Approximation Algorithms

- Approximately solving the problem, using greedy or iterative algorithms, or problem relaxations, *e.g.* ℓ_1 relaxation.
- Non-negative MP (NNMP) is a simple greedy algorithm based on iteratively selecting maximally correlated to the residual signal.
- 1: initialisation: $s = \emptyset$, k = 0 and $\mathbf{r}_0 = \mathbf{y}$ 2: while $k < K \max(\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{r}_k) > 0$ do 3: $\mathbf{s}_k = \mathbf{0}$ 4: $(\zeta, \iota) \leftarrow \max(\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{r}_k)$ 5: $\mathbf{s}_k[\iota] = \zeta$ 6: $\mathbf{r}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathcal{P}\{\mathbf{r}_k - \zeta\phi_\iota\}$ 7: $k \leftarrow k + 1$ 8: end while
- 9: $\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \sum_k \mathbf{s}_k$

Deep Neural Networks

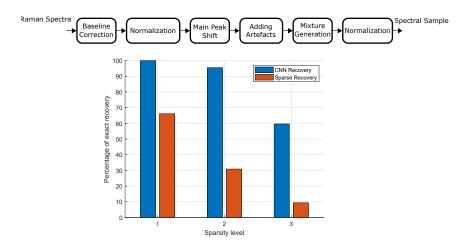
Input to Representation Model

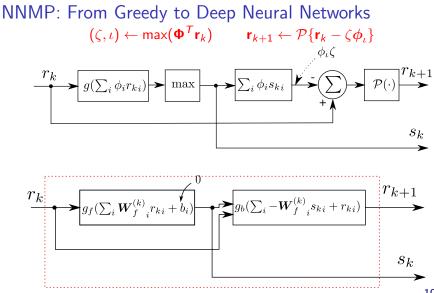


(Modified) LeCun5 CNN

- An end to end deep neural network for multi-label classification.
- The conventional **Softmax** output layer is replaced with **Sigmoid**.
- Supervised training should be done with **many** multi-label data. Data is generally augmented.

Robust Raman Spectral Decomposition Result





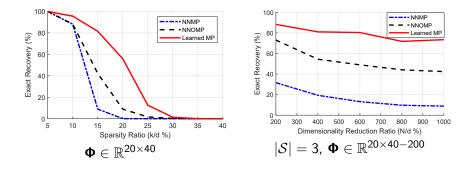
Block Diagram and Update Rules

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{r}_{k+1} \\ \mathbf{x}_{k+1} \end{pmatrix} = g_b \begin{pmatrix} -\mathbf{W}_b^{(k)} g_f(\mathbf{W}_f^{(k)} \mathbf{r}_k) + \mathbf{r}_k \\ g_f(\mathbf{W}_f^{(k)} \mathbf{r}_k) + \mathbf{x}_k \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{y} \overbrace{s_1} \cdots \overbrace{s_k} \overbrace{s_2} \overbrace{s_3} \cdots \overbrace{s_k} \overbrace{s_i} \overbrace{$$

• $\mathbf{W}_{f}^{(k)}$ and $\mathbf{W}_{b}^{(k)}$ are weight matrices in k^{th} layer.

- g_f is hard-max and g_b is **ReLU** nonlinear operators.
- Back-propagation algorithm has been used with the smoothed activation functions for training the weights.

Multi-label Classification: Synthetic Data Experiments



Conclusion and Future Work

• Conclusion:

- Some defence classification tasks are multi-label classifications
- Conventional sparse decompositions can be used. Lack of robustness to the model mismatch
- Deep neural networks can be good data-adaptive alternatives
- Non-negative Matching Pursuit algorithm can be reformulated as a DNN and trained to better fit to the task

• Future work:

- More real data experiments
- Sample complexity and accuracy analysis of DeepMP
- Robustness verification of the DNNs in multi-label classifications

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