Human-guided machine learning and data mining

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Big Picture of My Talk

- The traditional machine learning pipeline when is it good
- Some newer problems that need human involvement
- What role humans can play
 - Some ideas from our group and limitations
- A Future Approach? The CP Revolution of DM/ML?

The Typical Learning Pipeline

Typical Linear Machine Learning Process



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Sign Recognition for Google Car

 My student Aubrey Gress spent the summer working at Google so the next driverless car can read signs.



Easy problem No strong domain knowledge Easy to annotate instances Lots of data Ideal for deep learning Where The Typical ML Pipeline Does **Not** Work Well

> Typical Linear Machine Learning Process



Learning in ITS [With ONR and SoarTech]

- The future of education?
- Used extensively for small children and DoD!
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Question 1: There are 3 large marbles, 2 medium marbles and 5 small marbles in a bag. If one of the marbles is chosen randomly, what is the probability that a small marble is chosen?

- 3/10
 1/5
- **1/3**
- **○1/2**



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Essentially a Big Transfer Learning or Matrix Completion Problem



Every time a student answers a question we can fill-in/update a cell But we will need to then ask lots and lots of questions

But a Domain Expert Can Help Some People Are Smarter!



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Functional Network Discovery [With NMRC, Pennington Institue]





Take functional scans Co-register with structural scans



Stack Images Over Time Each voxel is a time series Measure correlations over voxels to construct edge weights

Cutting the graph creates ai) Foreground communityii) Background community



Functional Network Discovery

 Synchronized co-activation of spatially separated regions is associated with a functional network



Why Human Guidance?

a) Co-activationb) Lack of wiringc) Spatial boundaries

Liu et al.: Regional homogeneity, functional connectivity and imaging markers of Alzheimer's disease: A review of resting-state fMRI studies. Neuropsychologia 46, 1648-1656 (2008). Venkataraman, A. et al.: Exploring Functional Connectivity in fMRI via Clustering. In ICASSP 2009.



So We Need To Add Human's To ML? How?







3) Constraining the Model

Adding Human Guidance via Constraints SDM 05, ECML 07, KDD 10/11/13a-b/15/16/17



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Supervised Learning and Labeling

- Challenge: Size of output space impacts # annotations
 - Binary classification is simple only two options

Is this a cat?



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 - Multilabel classification is harder

What type of cat is this?



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• Challenge: Size of output space

Regression: output could be any real number

How old is this cat?



[Probabilistic Formulations of Regression with Mixed Guidance, Gress, Davidson, ICDM 2016]

- We assume we have some small set of labeled data
 (x₁, y₁), ..., (x_n, y_n) as well as a set of unlabeled data x_{n+1}, ..., x_m
- But generating accurate labels for the unlabeled data is too expensive or not possible
- How can we make labeling in regression easier for humans?
- Our idea: ask easier questions

Our Work: Bound

- Bound: is $f(x_i) \in [a_i, b_i]$?
 - e.g. "Is this house more than \$200,000, but less than \$300,000?"
 - Providing an exact price may be too demanding a task, so allowing the user to provide a range of values can better model the user's uncertainty in their prediction.



€ [\$200,000, \$300,000]

Our Work: Relative

• Relative: is $f(x_i) > f(x_j)$?

- e.g. "Which of these two houses is more expensive?"
- Even if the user can't accurately predict the price of a house, they can probably tell if one house is more valuable than another





Our Work: Neighbor

- Neighbor: is $|f(x_i) f(x_j)| < |f(x_i) f_k)|$?
 - e.g. "Is house A closer in price to house B or house C?"
 - Given a set of 3 objects, the user can provide which pair of objects' responses are closest together.



Our Work: Similar

- Similar: is $|f(x_i) f(x_j)| < s$?
 - e.g. "Are the prices of these two houses within \$50,000 of each other?"
 - The user may be able to tell if two houses are in roughly the same price range



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f(3) > f(1) |f(4) - f(2)| < |f(4) - f(3)|



Our Work: Mathematical Formulation

- We derived new loss functions for these four forms of guidance.
- E.g. Relative guidance with the Ridge estimator:
 - $\min_{w} ||Xw Y||^{2} + \lambda_{1} \sum_{i,j \in P} \log \sigma((x_{i} x_{j})'w) + \lambda_{2} ||w||^{2}$
 - *σ*: The logistic function
 - *P*: Set of relative pairs
 - λ_1, λ_2 : Regularization parameters

Regularizer

All sorts of tricks: logistic function, logs Why? Guarantee convexity and convergence proofs

Our Work: Other Losses

- We derived similar loss functions for the other 3 forms of guidance
 - Bound: $f(x_i) \in [a_i, b_i]$
 - $\sigma(b_i f(x_i)) \sigma(a_i f(x_i))$
 - Similar: $|f(x_i) f(x_j)| \le s$

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$$\sigma\left(s - \left(f(x_i) + f(x_j)\right)\right) - \sigma\left(-s - \left(f(x_i) + f(x_j)\right)\right)$$

- Neighbor: $|f(x_i) f(x_j)| < |f(x_i) f_k)|$
 - $\min\left\{\begin{array}{c}1-H\left(f(x_k)-f(x_j)\right),\\1-H\left(f(x_k)+f(x_j)-2f(x_i)\right)\right\}\end{array}\right\}$
 - *H*: CDF of exponential distribution (because we used exponential noise)

Our Work: Experimental Results

- Typical results (more in the paper) using our guidance with ridge regression
- Relative and Similar guidance seem to be very valuable
- Neighbor is more valuable than relative
- Bound worked well on synthetic data, but performed no better than a simple baseline on real data


Feature Level Guidance

[Gress, Davidson, Human Guided Linear Regression with Feature-level Constraints, AAAI 2018]

- Can we train a regression model with little labeled training data? y = w1x2 + w2x2 + w3x3 .. wmxm
- Our work: leverage *feature level* guidance provided by the user
 - "The fuzzy cat's fur has a negative impact on age"
 - "Square footage has a larger positive impact on house price than number of bathrooms"
- Three forms of guidances to constrain w:
 - Sign: "Feature i has a positive impact on the label"
 - Relative: "Feature i has a more positive impact on the label than feature j"
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Results

	Nonnegative	Ridge	Lasso	PSRC: p Signs	PRCR: p Pairs	PPSCR : <i>p</i> pairs
Synthetic	0.183(0.030)	0.179(0.029)	0.180(0.029)	0.141(0.026)	0.155(0.031)	0.161(0.030)
BH	0.212(0.022)	0.202(0.036)	0.183(0.023)	0.149(0.018)	0.176(0.029)	0.163(0.020)
Wine	0.101(0.013)	0.100(0.013)	0.105(0.013)	0.088(0.010)	0.093(0.011)	0.091(0.010)
Concrete	0.255(0.022)	0.275(0.020)	0.293(0.018)	0.220(0.017)	0.232(0.019)	0.229(0.018)
Housing	0.432(0.041)	0.478(0.043)	0.482(0.049)	0.409(0.038)	0.451(0.042)	0.399(0.037)
ITS	0.568(0.092)	0.625(0.095)	0.700(0.118)	0.525(0.089)	0.540(0.091)	0.570(0.093)
Heart	2.129(0.220)	2.159(0.220)	2.190(0.187)	2.007(0.191)	2.044(0.209)	2.124(0.229)

- Our methods:
 - PSRC: Sign guidance
 - PRCR: Relative Guidance
 - PPSCR: Pairwise-sign Guidance
- Sign guidance performed best overall, but all forms of guidance improved accuracy



Our Active Scheme

Relative query strategy: which instance to focus on?

X is the set of points, N the set of neighborhoods b Approximate all minimum set covers (via LP, log n) How many times does a point appear in the solutions $\mathcal{P}_{W_{ib}}$ Weighted set coverage: i.e. connectivity

a

Query influential point's neighborhood

Instance **a** is closer to **I** than **b**, we have $W_{ia} \ge W_{ib}$

 $\mathbf{w}_i(\mathbf{J}^a - \mathbf{J}^b) \ge 0$

Encode neighborhood guidance: $I = w_{ia} \cdot a + w_{ib} \cdot b + w_{ic} \cdot C$

 \mathbf{J}^i is a single-entry vector whose i-*th* entry is 1 and all other entries 0

Learning of graph weights: $\mathbf{w}_i \mathcal{C}^i \mathbf{w}_i^T$

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 \min \mathbf{W}_i

s.t.
$$\mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{1} =$$

 $w_{ij} \ge 0.$

W_{ic}

Take Away Message We can inject human guidance a number of ways

But the underlying solver limits how we can encode their knowledge





Adding Constraints to Clustering



History

- We've been looking at adding constraints to clustering (particularly graphs) for a while
 - KDD 10, AAAI 13, DMKD 14 [Constrained Spectral Methods]
 - SDM 13 [Multi-view Pareto Optimization]
 - ICDM 12, SDM 14 [Active/Self Taught]
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Intuition behind Segmenting a Graph – Think of a Social Network



Imagine this is your ego network in Facebook. Want to Create two dinner parties



Intuition behind Segmenting a Graph



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Intuition behind Constrained Graph Segmentation



Maybe 6 divorced 4 because they were having an affair with 3

Find a constrained cut that:

- Minimizes the cost (friendships links broken)
- Satisfies these constraints



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Relaxing the Problem Spectral Clustering

Objective for spectral clustering (Shi and Malik, 2000)

argmin $\mathbf{v}^T \bar{L} \mathbf{v},$ $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ s.t. $\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = 1, \ \mathbf{v} \perp D^{1/2} \mathbf{1}.$

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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J. Shi and J. Malik. Normalized cuts and image segmentation. PAMI, 22(8):888–905, 2000. X. Wang, I. Davidson. Flexible constrained spectral clustering. In KDD 2010, pp. 563-572. X. Wang, B. Qian, I. Davidson. On constrained spectral clustering and its applications. DMKD, 2014.

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Constrained Spectral Clustering

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• Objective:

$$\underset{\mathbf{v}\in\mathbb{R}^{N}}{\arg\min}\,\mathbf{v}^{T}\bar{L}\mathbf{v}, \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{v}^{T}\bar{Q}\mathbf{v} \geq \alpha, \ \mathbf{v}^{T}\mathbf{v} = \operatorname{vol}(\mathcal{G}),$$

Introducing Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT)

(Stationarity) $\bar{L}\mathbf{v} - \lambda \bar{Q}\mathbf{v} - \mu \mathbf{v} = 0$, (Primal feasibility) $\mathbf{v}^T \bar{Q}\mathbf{v} \ge \alpha, \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = \operatorname{vol}(\mathcal{G})$, (Dual feasibility) $\lambda \ge 0$, (Complementary slackness) $\lambda(\mathbf{v}^T \bar{Q}\mathbf{v} - \alpha) = 0$.

- Let $\beta = -\frac{\mu}{\lambda} \operatorname{vol}(\mathcal{G})$
- The problem becomes

$$\bar{L}\mathbf{v} = \lambda(\bar{Q} - \frac{\beta}{\operatorname{vol}(\mathcal{G})}I)\mathbf{v}$$
$$\mathbf{v}^{T}\mathbf{v} = \operatorname{vol}(\mathcal{G})$$

This is a generalized eigenvalue problem.

Some Take Aways

- We relaxed a discrete optimization problem
 - No guarantees of optimality after the rounding
- We were limited to conjunctions of constraints
- We were limited to binary relationship constraints
- We were limited to making one objective a constraint
 - We did a Pareto optimization formulation [SDM 13] but the code is challenging difficult to implement

Network Discovery in Spatial Temporal Data

[Bai, Davidson, Unsupervised Network Discovery, KDD 17]



Many observations over time of the same locations We can convert them into a graph as shown before

Regular Block Modelling

$$\mathbf{X}$$
 \approx \mathbf{F} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{F}^T

Input:

X: n x n weighted graph, edge weights are correlations

Output: F: n x k block indicator matrix Each block's indicator matrix is stored column wise M: k x k interaction matrix

Regular Block Modeling on Spatial Data



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Adding in Side Information

- · "Affinity" matrix
- Absolute Correlations
- Graph: **N** by **N**

Kernel/Graph Regularization

- $$\begin{split} \underset{\mathbf{F} \geq 0, \mathbf{M} \geq 0}{Minimize} \| \mathbf{X} \mathbf{F} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{F}^T \|_F^2 + \beta tr(\mathbf{F}^T \boldsymbol{\Theta} \mathbf{F}) \\ s.t. \quad \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} \end{split}$$
- Cluster indicator matrix (Nodes)
- <u>N</u> by **k**
- . [0,1]
- Column-wise orthogonal

- Mixing matrix (Edges)
- **k** by **k**
- Nonnegative
- Associations between clusters

Requiring the Blocks to Be Spatially Contiguous



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Recap

- Relative guidance asking humans easier annotations/questions
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Some Directions of My Groups with **Limitations**

- Relative guidance asking humans easier annotations/questions
 - IJCAI 13, ICDM 16, AAAI 18
- The results didn't match out intuition. Why?
 - Tricks to ensure convexity and convergence proofs meant we couldn't model the human knowledge as we wanted to
 - We kept on adding in regularizers and having to tune the hyper-parameters

Some Directions of My Groups with Limitations

- Constrained clustering asking humans what their expectations of clustering should be
 - More recently KDD15,17 and ICDM 17
- The constraints had to be in a very specific form
- Some constraints we couldn't even model (i.e. constraints on M in block models)

A Solution?

A growing interest in using Constraint Solvers (CP/SAT/ MIP) in ML and DM

- Meetings
 - Dagstuhl 11201 (2011): Constraint Programming meets
 Machine Learning and Data Mining
 - <u>Dagstuhl 14411</u> (2014): Constraints, Optimization and Data
- Workshops
 - <u>CoCoMile 2012 ECAI, CoCoMile 2013 AAAI</u>
- Journal Special Issue
 - <u>AIJ Combining Constraint Solving, Mining & Learning 2017</u>
- CP 2017
 - Special track on ML/DM + CP
- Two dozen+ papers in the last five years on the topic at:
 - IJCAI, AAAI, KDD, ICDM, SDM etc.
- IJCAI 2017 tutorial (Siegfried, Tias and myself)
 - https://sites.uclouvain.be/cp4dm/tutorial/ijcai17/

Benefits and Uses of CP For ML/DM

- Because the search algorithm is branch and bound no mandated restrictions on objective function and constraints form
 - But clever filtering algorithms are needed for scalability
- Three main uses explored so far
 - A) Use constraints as a dialog mechanism to allow complex feedback
 - B) Using CP to model novel problems
 - C) CP as a post-processor to DM/ML



Use #A1 - New Constraints

[Duong, Vrain and Davidson, ECAI16]



- New types of constraints
 - My dinner party problem: 'Segment by ego network into k groups (k dinner parties) may yield poor results
 - So require each group has:
 - 1) #Males = #Females,
 - 2) Diameter wrt age < 10 and
 - 3) Everyone has at least q people at the party with at least r common interests
 - These are very different cardinality, density etc.
 - Definitely not linear or encodable in a matrix.

Use #A2 – For Block Modeling [Work with Peter Stuckey's group at U.Melb]



Use #B3 – Outlier Description Problem

- Two sets of points: normal, abnormal
 - Question: What make the normal set normal
 - Example: Represent a car by vector describing part locations
 - What common properties do the non-lemons have that the outliers do not.
 - Related to
 - **Discovering Outlying Aspects in Large Datasets**. Nguyen Xuan Vinh, Jeffrey Chan, Simone Romano, James Bailey, Christopher Leckie, Kotagiri Ramamohanarao and Jian Pei. *Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery*, **30(6)**, pp. 1520-155, 2016

The Benefits of CP

Kuo, Chia-Tung, and Ian Davidson. "A Framework for Outlier Description Using Constraint Programming." AAAI. 2016.



Human in Loop Extension

Kuo, Chia-Tung, and Ian Davidson. "A Framework for Outlier Description Using Constraint Programming." AAAI. 2016.

Objective Maximize $k_N - k_O$ Variables $F = [f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{|S|}] \in \{0, 1\}^{|S|}$ $k_{min} \leq k_O \leq k_N \leq k_{max}$ $0 \leq r \leq r_{max}$ $\forall x_i \in N, \ |\mathcal{N}_F(x_i, r)| \ge (1 - w_i)k_N$ Constraints $\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i \le w_{max} \qquad \longleftarrow \qquad \text{I can ignore some points}$ i=1From the NN constraint $\forall y \in O, |\mathcal{N}_F(y, r)| < k_O$ Multi-criteria optimization over k, r, F and w Flag normal points for clarification by SME

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Two Sub Space Explantion

Kuo, Chia-Tung, and Ian Davidson. "A Framework for Outlier Description Using Constraint Programming." AAAI. 2016.

Objective	Maximize $k_N - k_O$			
Variables	$F = [f_1, \dots, f_{ S }], G = [g_1, \dots, g_{ S }] \in \{0, 1\}^{ S }$			
	$k_{min} \le k_O \le k_N \le k_{max}$			
	$0 \le r_F, r_G \le r_{max}$			
Constraints	$\forall x \in N, \mathcal{N}_F(x, r_F) \ge k_N \text{ and } \mathcal{N}_G(x, r_G) \ge k_N$			
	$\forall y \in O, \ \mathcal{N}_F(y, r_F) < k_O \ OR \ \mathcal{N}_G(y, r_G) < k_O$			
Multi-criteria optimization over k, r, F and G				

Use #C4 – HIL Clustering

A Framework for Minimal Clustering Modification via Constraint

Programming, Tom Kuo et. al. AAAI 17



Intractable Problem

<u>A Framework for Minimal Clustering Modification via Constraint</u> <u>Programming, Tom Kuo et. al. AAAI 17</u>

Theorem (1)

The reclustering problem where $\ell = 2$ is NP-complete.

Proof idea: reduction to Covering Points by Unit Squares. Even for very limited settings

Theorem (2)

Suppose the number of dimensions along which the maximum diameter must be reduced is a variable ℓ . The reclustering problem is NP-complete for any $k \ge 3$.

Proof idea: similarly reduction to Covering Points by Unit Hypercubes.
Formulation

<u>A Framework for Minimal Clustering Modification via Constraint</u> <u>Programming, Tom Kuo et. al. AAAI 17</u>

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minimize

 $\sum z[i]$

 z, C, L, H, Π' Number of modifications subject to $\forall c = 1, \dots, k, \ \forall i = 1, \dots, n, \ C[c, i] = \mathbb{I}[\Pi'[i] = c]$ $\forall i = 1, \dots, n, \ z[i] = \mathbb{I}[\Pi'[i] \neq \Pi[i]]$ $\forall c = 1, \ldots, k, \quad \forall t = 1, \ldots, f,$ $L[c, t] = \min_{i=1,...,n} \{ C[c, i](X[i, t] - M_u[t]) \} + M_u[t]$ $H[c,t] = \max_{i=1,...,n} \{C[c,i](X[i,t] - M_{l}[t])\} + M_{l}[t]$ $H[c,t] - L[c,t] \leq \mathcal{D}'[c,t]$ Smallest/largest values for tth fe

Results

<u>A Framework for Minimal Clustering Modification via Constraint</u> <u>Programming, Tom Kuo et. al. AAAI 17</u>

Data: Facebook egonets¹

Initial clustering: 4-way clustering from spectral clustering on *friendship graph*

Modification: balance (i.e. bounds diameters) two features/dimensions, gender and some language Results:



Figure: Visualization of clusterings on Facebook egonets graph.

Conclusion

- Many problems require human involvement as:
 - Data limitations (size and annotations)
 - Strong domain expertise
 - Challenging problem
- We covered several directions
 - Easier human annotation
 - Transfer learning
 - Constraints
- But formulations in procedural and MP formulations are limited
- CP is a potential solution?
 - For those in Lyon I'm giving a shortened version of the IJCAI tutorial @ Lyon 1 on December 8th?

Merci and Questions

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Combinations

<u>Mueller, Marianne, and Stefan Kramer. "Integer Linear</u> <u>Programming Models for Constrained Clustering." Discovery</u> <u>science 2010. Vol. 6332. 2010.</u>

First to use the idea of PM as a pre-processor?



Each pattern is a potential cluster

Compute some distance over the instances covered by it

Let this be referred to w.

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Non-overlapping formulation

instance i covered by at most 1 pattern j Some measure of cluster quality

maximize $\frac{1}{k}(w_{max} - w)^T x$ x is a binary indicatorvector for patternssubject to(i) $Ax \le 1$ x is a binary indicatorvector for patterns(ii) $Ax \ge y$ (v) $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$ (vi) $y \in \{0, 1\}^m$ (iii) $\mathbf{1}^T x = k$ (vi) $y \in \{0, 1\}^m$ vector for patterns(iv) $\mathbf{1}^T y \ge m \cdot minCompl$ (vi) $y \in \{0, 1\}^m$

y set to 1 means an instance is covered by a cluster Cover at least minCompl % of instances but not all of them