Robust Online Matrix Completion with Gaussian Mixture Model

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Background



Low-rank structure is common in practice.







Learning by using the underlying low-rank structure of data is important.

Background



Utilizing the low-rank property of data, matrix completion attempts to recover the data when only some of elements are observed.



image inpainting





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Recommender system (The Netflix Prize problem)

Exiting work



In modern context, data are collected in a streaming fashion.



Exiting work



Mathematically, at each time *t*, the online matrix completion (MC) problem can be formulated as:

$$\underset{\ell_t,s_t}{\arg\min f\left(\ell_t,s_t\right) + \lambda r\left(s_t\right)} .$$
 Smooth loss function the regularization function

 $\ell_t \in \mathbb{R}^n$ —— underlying data vector arriving at time t

 $s_t \in \mathbb{R}^n$ —— noise data vector arriving at time t

Exiting work



Broadly speaking, there are roughly two perspectives from which researchers have developed and studied online MC methods, categorized by the choice of r.

Table 1 : The two perspectives of exiting online MC methods (categorized by the choice of r).

	Method	Model				
L ₁ -norm	Modified-PCP	$\min_{\ell_t, s_t} \lambda s_t _1 + \left(I - U_t U_t^\top\right) _*$				
	ReProCS	$\min_{\ell_t, s_t} s_t _1 \ s.t. m_t - (I - U_t U_t^{\top}) s_t < \eta$				
	NORST	$\min_{\ell_t, s_t} s_t _1 \ s.t. m_t - (I - U_t U_t^{\top}) s_t < \eta$				
L ₂ -norm	PETRELS	$\min_{\ell_t, s_t} P_{\Omega} \left(m_t - U_{t-1} s_t \right) _2^2$				
	GROUSE	$\min_{\ell_t, s_t} P_{\Omega_t} \left(s_t - U_t U_t^\top s_t \right) _2^2$				
		U_t is low-rank subspace, $m_t = \ell + s_t$				

Motivation



- The fixed loss term is adopted in these models (implicitly assumes that noises involved in the data follow a fixed probability distribution).
- Such assumption deviates from the real scenarios where noise is always time-varying [Allili et al. 2007].

Our scenario: study the online MC problem with the variations in both low-rank subspace and noises.



 Model noises as Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM) distribution rather than a fixed single noise distribution.

 Present the online MC model by employing the proposed GMM regularizer and solved it by a fast and memory-efficient algorithm.

Modeling

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main idea: fit a specific GMM distribution for the noise term x_t in each newly coming observed data vector y_t .

noise data modeling:
$$x_t^i \sim \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_t^k \mathcal{N}\left(x_t^i \left| 0, \left(\sigma_t^k\right)^2\right)\right)$$

Upon receiving the data vector y_t , the posterior distribution is:

oserved data modeling:
$$y_t^i \sim \prod_{k=1}^K \mathcal{N}\left(y_t^i \left| \mathcal{P}_{\Omega_t} \left(\mathbf{U}_t^i v_t \right), \left(\sigma_t^k\right)^2 \right)^{z_t^{ik}}$$

$$\boxed{\text{latent variable} \quad z_t^i \sim \mathcal{M}\left(z_t^i \left| \Pi \right)}$$

Problem Formulation



The online MC model with GMM regularizer (named ONCE) can be formulated as:

$$\underset{\ell_t, x_t}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \lambda \|x_t\|_{M} + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{P}_{\Omega_t} (\ell_t) + x_t - y_t\|_2^2.$$

$$\overline{\text{the defined GMM regularizer:}}_{\|x_t\|_{M} = \alpha_{\sigma} \|x_t\|_2^2 + \beta_{\pi,\sigma} + c.}$$

Solution



The above optimization problem can be solved through three stages:

• Update the GMM parameters (π_t^k, σ_t^k) utilizing EM procedure.

$$\pi_{t}^{k} = \pi_{t-1}^{k} - \frac{n}{\bar{n}} \left(\pi_{t-1}^{k} - \bar{\pi}^{k} \right). \qquad \left(\sigma_{t}^{k} \right)^{2} = \left(\sigma_{t-1}^{k} \right)^{2} - \frac{n^{k}}{\bar{n}^{k}} \left(\left(\sigma_{t-1}^{k} \right)^{2} - \left(\bar{\sigma}^{k} \right)^{2} \right).$$

Update noise vector and underlying data vector

• Update
$$x_t$$
: $x_t = \frac{y_t - \mathcal{P}_{\Omega_t}(\ell_{t-1})}{1 + 2\lambda\alpha_\sigma}$

• Update
$$\ell_t$$
: $\ell_t = y_t - \mathbf{I}_{\tilde{\Omega}_t^c} \left(\Phi_{\tilde{\Omega}_t^c}^\top \Phi_{\tilde{\Omega}_t^c} \right)^{-1} \Phi_{\tilde{\Omega}_t^c}^\top \Phi y_t.$

• Update the low-dimensional subspace U_t with the strategy in [Narayanamurthy et al. 2019]



Experiments: online matrix completion

Evaluation metrics:

- i) error ratio (ER)
- ii) mean of the absolute errors (MAE)

$$\mathbf{ER} = \frac{\left\| \hat{\ell}_t - \ell_t \right\|_2}{\left\| \ell_t \right\|_2}$$
$$\mathbf{MAE} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \left| \hat{\ell}_t^i - \ell_t^i \right|$$



Experiments: online matrix completion



Figure 1: The comparison results of error ratios. The sampling ratio is fixed at 0.5. From left to right: ER versus number of samples on (a) synthetic data with piecewise constant subspace change; (b) synthetic data with subspace changing at each time

Main Results



Experiments: online matrix completion for traffic data



Figure 2: The comparison results on traffic data (Abilene). The sampling ratio is fixed at 0.5.



Experiments: online matrix completion for traffic data



Figure 3: The comparison results on traffic data (Geant). The sampling ratio is fixed at 0.5.



Experiments: online matrix completion

Table 2: The comparison results of MAE and computation time. The results are rounded to two decimal places, where MAEs are in 10⁻⁴ and times are in milliseconds.

	Synthetic data				Real traffic data			
	Piecewise		Changing		Abilene		Geant	
	MAE	time	MAE	time	MAE	time	MAE	time
GRASTA	10.90	4.38	9.02	3.93	1.98	0.94	6.37	1.25
OMoGMF	13.58	15.90	4.16	16.00	1.50	1.83	12.73	7.09
NORST	0.22	5.98	1.82	2.77	0.90	0.65	2.78	1.43
PETRELS	0.002	70.51	1.47	84.31	0.84	5.35	2.57	30.21
ONCE	0.01	6.62	1.58	3.10	0.08	1.13	2.18	2.05

Main Results



Experiments: online matrix completion for video data



Figure 4: The comparison results on video data. The missing ratio is fixed at 0.1.



we presented a new online MC method aiming to high accuracy with low time and memory overheads.

In particular, by employing the GMM noise distribution, our model is sufficiently robust to adapt real-time noise variations.



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