# Sparse NMF via Alternating Non-negativity Constrained Least Squares 

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## Outline

■ NMF as a Dimension Reduction/Clustering method

■ NMF Algorithm via Alternating Least Squares and Convergence
$\square$ Algorithms for Non-negativity Constraint Least Squares (NLS) Single right hand side vs. Multiple right hand sides

- Other algorithms

■ Sparse NMF via Alternating Least Squares and Convergence

■ Applications: Microarray Analaysis ...

## Dimension Reduction

■ Unsupervised Dimension Reduction
■ SVD (LSI, PCA)

- Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (NMF)
$\square$ One-sided Nonnegative Matrix Factorization
- Dimension Reduction for Clustered Data

Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA/GSVD)
■ Orthogonal Centroid Method (OCM)

- Centroid-based Method
- Nonnegativity constraint Centroid-based Method
- NMF/initialization with centroid method


## Nonnegativity Constraints?

Better Approximation vs. Better Representation/Interpretation Given $A: m \times n$ and $k<\min (m, n)$

■ SVD: Best Approximation
Find ( $W: m \times k$ ) and ( $H: k \times n$ ) s.t. $A \approx W H$
$\rightarrow \min \|A-W H\|_{2, F}, A=U \Sigma V^{T}, A \approx U_{k} \Sigma_{k} V_{k}^{T}$
■ NMF: Better Representation/Interpretation?
Find $(W: m \times k) \geq 0$ and $(H: k \times n) \geq 0$ s.t. $A \approx W H$
$\rightarrow \min \|A-W H\|_{F}$ where $W \geq 0$ and $H \geq 0$
■ Non-negative constraints are physically meaningful.
$\square$ Pixels in digital image $\rightarrow$ Biomedical image processing
$\square$ Molecule concentration in bioinformatics (e.g. mRNA, protein, miRNA, etc.) $\rightarrow$ Microarray data analysis
$\square$ Signal intensities in mass spectrometry $\rightarrow$ Computational Proteomics

- Interpretation of analysis results: non-subtractive combinations of non-negative vectors.


## A Test on an Artificial Data

(a) Artificial dataset $A$

(b) Actual $W$

(c) $W$ from NMF/ANLS

(d) $W$ from SVD


NMF/ANLS on the artificial dataset $A=W H$.
Zeros: white, Positive values: darker
But in (d), Negative values: black, Zero: gray, Positive values white

## Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF)

■ Given a non-negative matrix $A: m \times n$ and a desired rank $k$, NMF solves:

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\min _{W, H}\|A-W H\|_{F}, \text { s.t. } W \geq 0 \text { and } H \geq 0
$$

$\square W \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$ : basis matrix, related to dimension reducing transformation $A \approx W H \rightarrow f(W) A \approx H$ in SVD, $A \approx U_{k} \Sigma_{k} V_{k}^{T} \rightarrow U_{k}^{T} A \approx \Sigma_{k} V_{k}$
Sparse $\rightarrow$ Parts-based Basis Vectors?
$\square H \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$ : encoding matrix, non-negative lower dimensional representation

- Sparseness, dimension reduction: computational efficiency (storage, speed)

■ $W$ and $H$ not unique

## NMF Algorithms (1)

■ Multiplicative update rules
$\square$ Lee and Seung, Nature $1999 \rightarrow$ Brunet, et. al., PNAS 2004 (showed that NMF performs better than HC and SOM)
■ nsNMF, Pascual-Montano et al., IEEE TPAMI 2006
$\square$ Alternating Least Squares (ALS)
■ Berry et al., Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, 2006
$\square$ MUR+LS, Pauca et al., SDM $2004 \rightarrow$ Gao and Church, Bioinformatics 2005

■ Gradient Descent

- Hoyer, JMLR 2004
- Projected gradient ANLS, C. Lin, tech report, 2005


## NMF Algorithms (2)

■ Alternating Non-negativity Constrained Least Squares (ANLS)

- Paatero and Tapper, 1994
- NMF/ANLS, Kim and Park, ISBRA 2007, to appear
$\square$ SNMF/ANLS, Kim and Park, Bioinformatics 2007, to appear
■ One-sided NMF, Park and Kim, SDM06, Textmining Workshop
■ Others
■ Quasi-Newton optimization, Zdunek and Cichocki, ICAISC, 2006
- Low Dimensional polytope approximation, M. Chu, draft Jan. 2007
- Improved projected gradient ANLS (Newton+line search), S. Ingram
- Newton-type ANLS, D. Kim, et al., SDM 2007, to appear


## NMF/Alternating Least Squares (NMF/ANLS)

(Paatero and Tapper, Environmetrics, 1994)

1. Initialize $W \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$ (or $H \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$ ) with non-negative values, and scale the columns of $W$ to unit $L_{2}$-norm.
2. Iterate the following ANLS until convergence:
fixing $W$, solve $\min _{H \geq 0}\|W H-A\|_{F}$
fixing $H$, solve $\min _{W \geq 0}\left\|H^{T} W^{T}-A^{T}\right\|_{F}$
3. The columns of $W$ are normalized to unit $L_{2}$-norm at each iteration.

■ Each NLS can be solved by MATLAB’s LSQNONNEG (but DO NOT!)

- Lawson and Hanson 74, Active set method, for Single Right Hand Side, $\min _{h \geq 0}\|W h-a\|_{2}$
■ Faster algorithms exist for Multiple Right Hand Side problems:
Bro and de Jong 97 (J. of Chemo.), for multi right hand sides Van Benthem and Keenan 04 (J. of Chemo.), further improvements


## NMF/Multiplicative Update Rules (NMF/NUR)

## (Lee and Seung, Nature, 1999)

$\square \min _{W, H}\left(f(W, H)=\frac{1}{2}\|A-W H\|_{F}^{2}\right), W, H \geq 0$
$\nabla_{W} f(W, H)=(W H-A) H^{T}, \quad \nabla_{H} f(W, H)=W^{T}(W H-A)$
$\square$ KKT Conditions:
$W \geq 0, H \geq 0, \nabla_{W} f(W, H) \geq 0, \nabla_{H} f(W, H) \geq 0$
$W_{i l} \cdot \nabla_{W} f(W, H)_{i l}=0, H_{q j} \cdot \nabla_{H} f(W, H)_{q j}=0$
■ Alternating multiplicative update rules:
$H_{q j} \leftarrow H_{q j} \frac{\left(W^{T} A\right)_{q j}}{\left(W^{T} W H\right)_{q j}+\epsilon}, \quad 1 \leq q \leq k, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n$,
$W_{i q} \leftarrow W_{i q} \frac{\left(A H^{T}\right)_{i q}}{\left(W H H^{T}\right)_{i q}+\epsilon}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq m, \quad 1 \leq q \leq k, 0<\epsilon \ll 1$
$\square$ If $W_{i q}^{(k+1)}=W_{i q}^{(k)}>0$ and $\left(W^{(k)} H^{(k)} H^{(k)^{T}}\right)_{i q} \neq 0$,
then $\left(\nabla_{W} f\left(W^{(k)}, H^{(k)}\right)_{i q}=0\right.$
$\|A-W H\|_{F}$ is monotonically non-increasing

## Convergence of NMF/ANLS

$\square$ Block Coordinate Descent method in Bound-constrained Optimization
$\square^{\min _{W, H}}\|A-W H\|_{F}^{2}$, s.t. $W, H \geq 0$
■ Given $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, NMF/ANLS iteratively solves

$$
\min \left(f(W, H)=\|W H-A\|_{F}^{2}\right)
$$

fixing $W$ with constraint $H \geq 0$ and fixing $H$ with constraint $W \geq 0$.
■ For $\mathrm{k}=1,2, \ldots$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& W^{(k+1)} \in \arg \min _{W} f\left(W, H^{(k)}\right) \\
& H^{(k+1)} \in \arg \min _{H} f\left(W^{(k+1)}, H\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

■ No matter how many blocks, if the sub problems have unique solutions, then the limit point of the sequence is a stationary point (Powell 73, Bertsekas 99)

- For two block problems, any limit point of the sequence is a stationary point (Grippo and Siandrone, 00)


## NLS with Multiple Right Hand Side Vectors

$\square$ Assume $W: m \times k$ and $A: m \times n$ with $m>k$ are Given.
$\square$ LS-S: $\min _{h}\|W h-a\|_{F}$
$\square$ LS-M: $\min _{H}\|W H-A\|_{F}$
Extremely inefficient if LS-S is solved n times independently $W$ needs to be processed only once (e.g. compute SVD of W only once)
$\square$ NLS-S: $\min _{h \geq 0}\|W h-a\|_{F}$ (Lawson and Hanson 74)
Active set method: initially $h=0, S_{a}=\{1, \cdots, k\}, S_{p}=$ null
Each step solves min $\left\|W^{(p)} h^{(p)}-a\right\|_{2}$
$\square$ NLS-M: $\min _{H \geq 0}\|W H-A\|_{F}$
■ Apply NLS-S $n$ times? Inefficient!

- Bro and de Jong 97:

Compute $W^{T} W$ and $W^{T} A$ only once in $W^{T} W H=W^{T} A$

- Van Benthem and Keenan 04:

Initialization of active set based on LS-M
Rearrange computation to be column parallel, e.g., $k=3, n=4$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& S_{P 1}=\{\{3\},\{3\},\{3\},\{1\}\} \\
& S_{P 2}=\{\{2,3\},\{1,3\},\{2,3\},\{1,3\}\} \\
& S_{P 3}=\{\{2,3\},\{1,3\},\{1,2,3\},\{1,2,3\}\}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Constrained NMF (CNMF) for Sparse NMF

(Pauca et al., LAA, 2006, Pauca et al., SDM, 2004; Gao and Church, Bioinformatics, 2005)
$\square \min _{W, H}\left\{\|A-W H\|_{F}^{2}+\alpha\|W\|_{F}^{2}+\beta\|H\|_{F}^{2}\right\}$, s.t. $W, H \geq 0$
$\square$ Multiplicative updating rules:

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
H_{q j} \leftarrow H_{q j} \frac{\left(W^{T} A\right)_{q j}-\beta H_{q j}}{\left(W^{T} W H\right)_{q j}+\epsilon}, & 1 \leq q \leq k, & 1 \leq j \leq n \\
W_{i q} \leftarrow W_{i q} \frac{\left(A H^{T}\right)_{i q}-\alpha W_{i q}}{\left(W H H^{T}\right)_{i q}+\epsilon}, & 1 \leq i \leq m, & 1 \leq q \leq k
\end{array}
$$

$\alpha \geq 0$ and $\beta \geq 0$ balance between approximation and sparseness
$\square$ Set negative values to zero for imposing non-negativity $\rightarrow$ not LS sol.
$\square L_{1}$-norm based formulations recommended to control sparsity (Tibshirani, J. Roy. Statist. Soc. B, 1996)

## Sparse NMF using $L_{1}$-norm (SNMF/R)

## (Kim and Park 2007, Bioinformatics)

■ SNMF/L (sparse W) and SNMF/R (sparse H)
■ $\min _{W, H}\left(\|A-W H\|_{F}^{2}+\eta\|W\|_{F}^{2}+\beta \sum_{j=1}^{n}\|H(:, j)\|_{1}^{2}\right), W, H \geq 0$ $\min _{W, H}\left(\|A-W H\|_{F}^{2}+\eta\|W\|_{F}^{2}+\beta \sum_{j=1}^{n}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} H(i, j)\right)^{2}\right), W, H \geq 0$

- Initialize $W$ with nonnegative values
- Iterate the following ANLS until convergence:
$\min _{H \geq 0}\left\|\binom{W}{\sqrt{\beta} \mathbf{e}_{1 \times k}} H-\binom{A}{\mathbf{0}_{1 \times n}}\right\|_{F}^{2}$
$\min _{W \geq 0}\left\|\binom{H^{T}}{\sqrt{\eta} I_{k}} W^{T}-\binom{A^{T}}{0_{k \times m}}\right\|_{F}^{2}$
■ $\beta>0$ and $\eta>0$ balance between accuracy of approximation and sparseness of $H$.
■ Two-block coordinate-descent method.
Any limit point is a stationary point.


## Performance Comparison on Leukemia Data Set

Leukemia Data:5, $000 \times 38$, 3 clusters

| Algorithms | NMF/NUR | NMF/ANLS |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\#(W=0)(\%)$ | $2.72 \%^{*}$ | $2.71 \%$ |
| $\#(H=0)(\%)$ | $17.28 \%^{*}$ | $18.42 \%$ |
| Purity | 0.974 | 0.974 |
| Entropy | 0.095 | 0.095 |
| \# of iterations | 3806 | 91.5 |
| Computing time | 159.2 sec. | 7.1 sec. |

$k=3$, average of 30 runs. Purity and entropy computed from $H$ with the lowest approximation error. *The average percentages non-negative elements that are smaller than $10^{-8}$ in magnitude.

## Performance Comparison on CNS Tumor Data Set

| Algorithm | NMF/NUR |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $k$ | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
| $\#(W=0)(\%)$ | $8.77 \%^{*}$ | $9.07 \%^{*}$ | $12.60 \%^{*}$ |  |
| $\#(H=0)(\%)$ | $16.99 \%^{*}$ | $24.14 \%^{*}$ | $25.43 \%^{*}$ |  |
| $\#$ of iterations | 11151 | 13770 | 16717 |  |
| Computing time | 563.5 sec. | 836.4 sec. | 1334.9 sec. |  |
| Algorithm | NMF/ANLS |  |  |  |
| $k$ | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
| $\#(W=0)(\%)$ | $8.69 \%$ | $9.03 \%$ | $12.54 \%$ |  |
| $\#(H=0)(\%)$ | $18.63 \%$ | $25.00 \%$ | $26.88 \%$ |  |
| $\#$ of iterations | 105.2 | 100.3 | 130.5 |  |
| Computing time | 9.8 sec. | 12.1 sec. | 20.3 sec. |  |

Average of 30 runs. Central Nerve System tumors: four distinct morphologies: 10 classic medulloblastomas, 10 malignant gliomas, 10 rhabdoids and 4 normals. (Brunet et al., PNAS, 2004. ${ }^{2}$ Pomeroy et al., Nature, 2002.)

## CNS Tumors Clustering by NMF/DUR




Reordered consensus matrices on the CNS dataset and the corresponding dispersion coefficients $\rho=\frac{1}{n^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} 4\left(C_{i j}-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}$

## CNS Tumors Clustering by NMF/ANLS






Reordered consensus matrices on the CNS dataset and the corresponding dispersion coefficients.

## CNS Tumors Clustering by SNMF/R






Reordered consensus matrices on the CNS dataset and the corresponding dispersion coefficients.

## SNMF/R $(k=3)$ on leukemia data: $5,000 \times 38$

| Leukemia | NMF/DUR | SNMF/R |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\beta$ | - | 0.001 | 0.01 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| $\#(W=0)(\%)$ | $0.10 \%^{*}$ | $2.43 \%$ | $2.17 \%$ | $1.57 \%$ | $1.09 \%$ |
| $\#(H=0)(\%)$ | $0.00 \%^{*}$ | $24.56 \%$ | $30.70 \%$ | $44.74 \%$ | $51.75 \%$ |
| Purity | 0.953 | 0.974 | 0.974 | 0.947 | 0.921 |
| Entropy | 0.141 | 0.095 | 0.095 | 0.158 | 0.210 |
| $\#$ of iterations | 502.0 | 328.0 | 139.0 | 77.0 | 95.0 |
| Computing time | 53.6 | 40.1 | 17.0 | 9.4 | 10.9 |

*For NMF using divergence-based multiplicative update rules (NMF/DUR) the average percentages the non-negative elements that are smaller than $10^{-8}$ in magnitude.

## SNMF/R $(k=4)$ on CNS tumors data: $5,597 \times 34$

| CNS tumors | NMF/DUR | SNMF/R |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\beta$ | - | 0.01 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| $\#(W=0)(\%)$ | $1.65 \%{ }^{*}$ | $8.45 \%$ | $7.45 \%$ | $5.06 \%$ | $4.31 \%$ |
| $\#(H=0)(\%)$ | $1.47 \%^{*}$ | $25.74 \%$ | $28.68 \%$ | $36.76 \%$ | $41.91 \%$ |
| Purity | 0.941 | 0.971 | 0.971 | 0.971 | 0.941 |
| Entropy | 0.122 | 0.071 | 0.071 | 0.071 | 0.144 |
| $\#$ of iterations | 566.0 | 319.0 | 174.0 | 134.0 | 103.0 |
| Computing time | 63.4 | 51.6 | 29.5 | 20.9 | 16.0 |

*For NMF using divergence-based multiplicative update rules (NMF/DUR) the average percentages non-negative elements smaller than $10^{-8}$ in $W$ and $H$.

## $W$ and $H$ from SNMF/R




Leukemia dataset: $5,000 \times 38$, ( 38 samples: 19 ALL-B, 8 ALL-T, 11 AML)

## Summary

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■ Sparse NMF via Alternating Least Squares and Convergence

- Imposing Constraints only on One Factor: Sparsity, Nonnegativity

■ Applications : Gene clustering ...

Thank you!

