

Prediction Error Computation on a Grid

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Abstract

This paper presents a distributed algorithm for prediction error computation.

1 Introduction

In statistical computation, the inverse or pseudoinverse of a covariance matrix is often needed. When random variables are added, the order of the covariance matrix is increased. It is desirable to efficiently update the pseudoinverse when the order of the covariance matrix is increased. Instead of updating the pseudoinverse, Larimore [2, 3] proposed a method for updating a factor of the pseudoinverse. Let \mathbf{y} and \mathbf{x}_1 be two vectors of random variables and Y and X_1 the two corresponding data matrices such that the covariance matrices

$$S_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{x}_1} = Y^T X_1 \quad \text{and} \quad S_{11} = X_1^T X_1.$$

Consider an estimation problem where the minimum variance unbiased estimate of \mathbf{y} from \mathbf{x}_1 is given by

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = S_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{x}_1} S_{11}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_1$$

and the prediction error variance is

$$E[(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})^T] = S_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}} - S_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{x}_1} S_{11}^{-1} S_{\mathbf{x}_1\mathbf{y}}.$$

The covariance matrix S_{11} is symmetric and positive semidefinite. In general, S_{11} may be singular. In this general case, Larimore [2, 3] has shown that if $\text{rank}(S_{11}) = r_1$ and a matrix M_1 satisfies

$$M_1^T S_{11} M_1 = I_{r_1}, \quad (1)$$

then the prediction error variance can be expressed by $S_{yy} - S_{yx_1} M_1 M_1^T S_{x_1 y}$. Actually, since $(M_1 M_1^T) S_{11} (M_1 M_1^T) = M_1 M_1^T$, M_1 is a factor in the {2}-inverse $M_1 M_1^T$ of S_{11} . How to find such M_1 ? Suppose that

$$X_1 = [U_1 \hat{U}_1] \begin{bmatrix} R_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [V_1 \hat{V}_1]^T$$

is the complete orthogonal decomposition [1] of X_1 , we call $X_1 = U_1 R_1 V_1^T$ the economy version of the complete orthogonal decomposition. It then can be verified that $M_1 = V_1 R_1^{-1}$ satisfies (1).

Now, a vector \mathbf{x}_2 of n_2 random variables is added to the n_1 -vector \mathbf{x}_1 to form $\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{x}_1^T \ \mathbf{x}_2^T]^T$. If the covariance matrix is $S = X^T X$, $\text{rank}(S) = r$, and M satisfies $M^T S M = I_r$, then the prediction error variance is $S_{yy} - S_{yx} M M^T S_{xy}$. Since the covariance matrices S_{yx} and S_{xy} can be easily obtained by updating S_{yx_1} and $S_{x_1 y}$, the problem remains to compute M from M_1 . Specifically, given M_1 satisfying $M_1^T S_{11} M_1 = I_{r_1}$, find M such that $M^T S M = I_r$. An updating method for the M matrix is presented in Section 2. Then in Section 3, assuming the samples of random variables are collected over various locations, we give a distributed algorithm for the prediction error computation.

2 An Updating Scheme

Let the covariance matrix

$$S = [X_1 \ X_2]^T [X_1 \ X_2] = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{12}^T & S_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

where X_1 is m -by- n_1 and X_2 is m -by- n_2 , $m > n_1 + n_2$. Suppose that

$$X_2 = U_2 R_2 V_2^T$$

is the economy version of the complete orthogonal decomposition of X_2 , where R_2 is r_2 -by- r_2 upper triangular and nonsingular. Thus, the matrix $M_2 = V_2 R_2^{-1}$ satisfies $M_2^T S_{22} M_2 = I_{r_2}$. In practice, it is rare that a matrix

is exactly singular. In this case, we set the small blocks in the R matrix in the complete orthogonal decomposition to zero and then get the economy version.

Suppose that

$$(X_1 M_1)^T (X_2 M_2) = Q_1 \Sigma Q_2^T$$

is the full SVD, where Q_1 and Q_2 are orthogonal and of orders r_1 and r_2 respectively and

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sigma_{r_2} \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

assuming $r_1 \geq r_2$. Letting

$$J_1 = M_1 Q_1 \quad \text{and} \quad J_2 = M_2 Q_2,$$

we have the following equations

$$\begin{aligned} J_1^T S_{11} J_1 &= Q_1^T M_1^T S_{11} M_1 Q_1 = I_{r_1} \\ J_2^T S_{22} J_2 &= Q_2^T M_2^T S_{22} M_2 Q_2 = I_{r_2} \\ J_1^T S_{12} J_2 &= Q_1^T M_1^T X_1^T X_2 M_2 Q_2 = \Sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, the block upper triangular matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 & -J_1 \Sigma D \\ 0 & J_2 D \end{bmatrix},$$

where $D = \text{diag}(\sqrt{1 - \sigma_1^2}, \dots, \sqrt{1 - \sigma_{r_2}^2})$ so that $D^T (I - \Sigma^T \Sigma) D = I_{r_2}$, satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & M^T S M \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} M_1 & -J_1 \Sigma D \\ 0 & J_2 D \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{12}^T & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_1 & -J_1 \Sigma D \\ 0 & J_2 D \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T & -\Sigma D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & 0 \\ 0 & J_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{12}^T & S_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & 0 \\ 0 & J_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T & -\Sigma D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T & -\Sigma D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} I_{r_1} & \Sigma \\ \Sigma^T & I_{r_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T & -\Sigma D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & Q_1 \Sigma \\ 0 & D^T (I - \Sigma^T \Sigma) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^T & -\Sigma D \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \begin{bmatrix} I_{r_1} & 0 \\ 0 & D^T(I - \Sigma^T \Sigma)D \end{bmatrix} \\
&= I_r.
\end{aligned}$$

As shown in [3], $r = r_1 + r_2$.

3 Distributing the Computation

Suppose that the data matrix X is distributed among k locations: $X = [X_1, \dots, X_k]$. Location i has a block X_i of columns and computes a column block M_i of $M = [M_1, \dots, M_k]$ and a column block Y_i of $XM = [Y_1, \dots, Y_k]$. Note that M is block upper triangular. The algorithm for location i is as follows.

Algorithm

Get Y_1, \dots, Y_{i-1} ;
 Get M_1, \dots, M_{i-1} ;
 Complete orthogonal decomposition $X_i = U_i R_i V_i^T$;
 SVD $[Y_1, \dots, Y_{i-1}]^T U_i = Q_1 \Sigma Q_2^T$, $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_j)$;
 $J_1 = [M_1, \dots, M_{i-1}] Q_1$;
 $J_2 = V_i R_i^{-1} Q_2$;
 $M_i = \begin{bmatrix} -J_1 \Sigma D \\ J_2 D \end{bmatrix}$, where $D = \text{diag}(\sqrt{1 - \sigma_j^2})$;
 $Y_i = -[X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}] J_1 \Sigma D + X_i J_2 D = -[Y_1, \dots, Y_{i-1}] Q_1 \Sigma D + X_i J_2 D$.

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