

Scalable Nonlinear Spectral Dimensionality Reduction Methods For Streaming Data

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Manifold Learning In Streams

Motivation

- Understanding the **structure** of multidimensional **patterns** is of **primary** importance.
- **Processing** data streams, potentially **infinite** requires **adequate summarization** which can **handle inherent constraints** and **approximate** characteristics well.

Manifold Learning In Streams

Challenges Involved

- **Curse of dimensionality** combined with **lack of scalability** of algorithms makes data analysis **difficult/inadequate**.
- Cannot use **entire** streams as training data motivates **Out-of-Sample Extension (OOSE) techniques**.
- **Need** to formalize **“collective error”** in NLSDR methods and strategies to **quantify** it.
- Dealing with **intersecting** manifolds.
- Need to handle **concept drift** i.e. changes in stream properties.

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Thesis Contributions

- Formulate a **generalized** Out-of-Sample Extension **framework** for streaming NLSDR.
- Provide algorithms which are **specific instantiations** of the above **generalized framework**, for Isomap and LLE.
- Provide **theoretical proofs** which **support** the **basic operating principles** of framework.

Additionally, **provide** a novel **Tangent Manifold clustering** strategy to deal with intersecting manifolds.

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Thesis Contributions In Detail

In particular,

- Chapter 3: **S-Isomap** [1], which can **compute** low-dimensional embeddings **cheaply** without affecting the **quality** significantly.
- Chapter 4: **S-Isomap++** [2], which can **deal with** multimodal and/or unevenly sampled distributions.
- Chapter 5: **GP-Isomap** [3], which is able to detect **concept drift** and can **embed** streaming samples **effectively**.
- Chapter 6: **A Generalized Out-of-Sample Extension Framework for streaming NLSDR** [4] and subsequently discusses **Streaming-LLE**.

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Publications

- 1 “Error metrics for learning reliable manifolds from streaming data.”, Proceedings of the 2017 SDM. SIAM, 2017.
- 2 “S-Isomap++: Multi Manifold Learning from Streaming Data.”, 2017 IEEE International Conference on Big Data. IEEE, 2017.
- 3 “Learning manifolds from non-stationary streaming data.”, arXiv preprint arXiv:1804.08833, 2018. (under submission at ECML-PKDD 2018)
- 4 “A Generalized Out-of-Sample Extension Framework for streaming NLSDR” (under preparation for TKDE 2018)

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Algorithmic Contributions

	Isomap	S-Isomap	S-Isomap++	GP-Isomap
Scalable Stream Processing	✗	✓	✓	✓
Handling Multiple/ Intersecting Manifolds	✗	✗	✓	✓
Handling Non-stationary Streams	✗	✗	✗	✓

Additionally,

- **Formulate** techniques for **generalized** OOSE framework for streaming NLSDR.
- **Propose** streaming **extensions** for Local Linear Embedding (LLE).

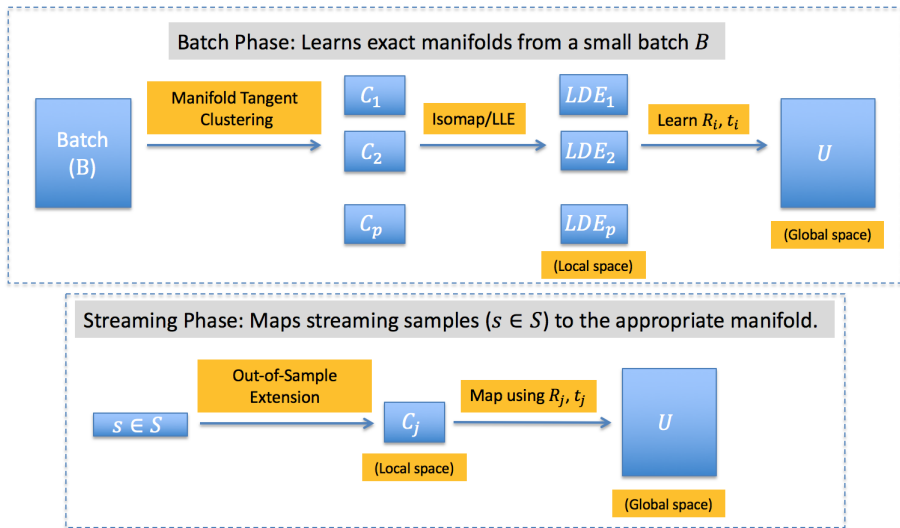
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Theoretical Contributions

- Prove that a small **initial batch** is sufficient for **reliable learning** of manifolds.
- Show **equivalence** between GP-Isomap prediction and S-Isomap prediction.

Methodology

A Generalized Framework For Multi-Manifold Learning



Methodology

A Generalized Framework For Multi-Manifold Learning

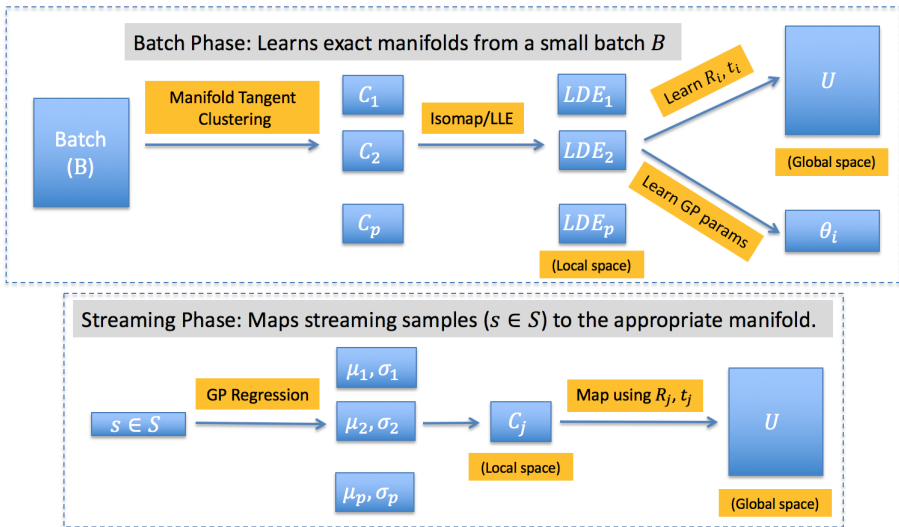
Input: Batch \mathbf{B} , Stream \mathbf{S} ; Parameters $\epsilon, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}, \lambda$

Output: LDE \mathcal{Y}_S

- 1: Partition \mathbf{B} into clusters $\mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$.
 - 2: Compute low dim. emb. $\forall \mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$ using \mathcal{A} .
 - 3: Determine support ξ_S using $\mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$.
 - 4: Compute $\{\mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{t}_i\}_{i=1,2\dots p}$ which maps $\mathcal{M}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$.
 - 5:
 - 6: For each $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbf{S}$
 - 7: Using $\text{OOS}_{\mathcal{A}}$, project \mathbf{s} to $\mathcal{M}_i \forall i = 1, 2 \dots p$.
 - 8: Using $\{\mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{t}_i\}_{i=1,2\dots p}$, map $\mathbf{s} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$.
 - 9: Embed \mathbf{s} in \mathcal{M}_j where $j \leftarrow \text{argmin}_i |\mathcal{U}_i(\mathbf{s}) - \mu(\mathbf{C}_i, \mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{t}_i)|$.
 - 10: $\mathcal{Y}_S \leftarrow \mathcal{Y}_S \cup \mathbf{y}_s$
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Methodology

A Generalized Non-parametric Framework For Multi-Manifold Learning



Methodology

A Generalized Non-parametric Framework For Multi-Manifold Learning

Input: Batch \mathbf{B} , Stream \mathbf{S} ; Parameters $\epsilon, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}, \lambda, \sigma_t, \mathbf{n}_S$

Output: LDE \mathcal{Y}_S

- 1: Partition \mathbf{B} into clusters $\mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$.
- 2: Compute low dim. emb. $\forall \mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$ using \mathcal{A} .
- 3: Estimate $\phi_i^{\mathcal{GP}} \forall \mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$ using $\mathcal{EST}_{\mathcal{A}}$.
- 4: Determine support ξ_S using $\mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$.
- 5: Compute $\{\mathbf{R}_i, \mathbf{t}_i\}_{i=1,2\dots p}$ which maps $\mathcal{M}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$.
- 6:
- 7: For each $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbf{S}$
- 8: Using $\mathcal{GPR}_{\mathcal{A}}$, compute μ_i, σ_i for $\mathbf{s} \forall i = 1, 2 \dots p$.
- 9: $j \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_i \sigma_i$.
- 10: Embed \mathbf{s} in \mathcal{M}_j if $\sigma_j \leq \sigma_t$, otherwise add \mathbf{s} to \mathbf{S}_U .
- 11: Re-run Batch Phase with $\mathbf{B} \cup \mathbf{S}_U$ when $\mathbf{S}_U \geq \mathbf{n}_S$.
- 12: $\mathcal{Y}_S \leftarrow \mathcal{Y}_S \cup \mathbf{y}_S$

Methodology

S-Isomap++ - Specific Instantiation For Isomap

- Use **Isomap** for **learning** low-dimensional embeddings for $\mathcal{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$.
- **Out-of-Sample Extension** performed for streaming samples $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbf{S}$ using **Streaming-Isomap**.

Methodology

Streaming-LLE - Specific Instantiation For LLE

- Use LLE for **learning** low-dimensional embeddings for $\mathbf{C}_{i=1,2,\dots,p}$.
- **Out-of-Sample Extension** performed for streaming samples $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbf{S}$ using **OOSE-LLE**.

Methodology

OOSE-LLE - Out-Of-Sample Extension For LLE

Input: \mathbf{s} , \mathbf{C}_i , \mathbf{LDE}_i

Output: \mathbf{y}_s

1: $\zeta_s \leftarrow \text{KNN}(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{C}_i)$

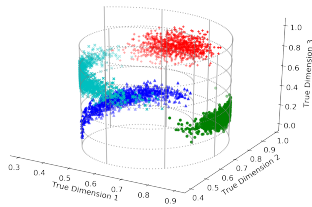
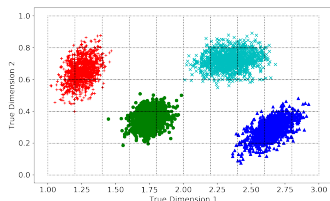
2: $\mathbf{w}^* \leftarrow \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\| \left(\mathbf{s} - \sum_{x_j \in \zeta_s} w_j x_j \right) \right\|^2$

3: **return** $\left(\sum_{y_j \in \zeta_s} \mathbf{w}_j^* y_j \right)$

Experiments

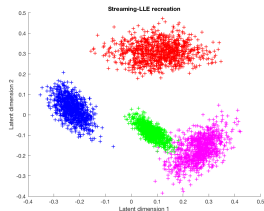
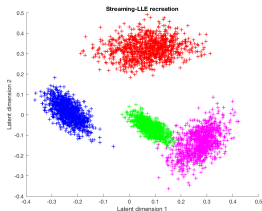
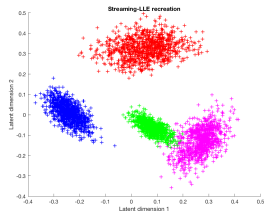
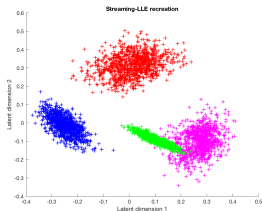
Datasets

- Euler Isometric Swiss Roll - **Synthetically generated** dataset consisting of four \mathbb{R}^2 **Gaussian patches** embedded into \mathbb{R}^3 using a **non-linear** function $\psi(\cdot)$.
- Gas Sensor Array Dataset (GSAD) - **Benchmark** dataset which uses measurements from 16 **chemical sensors** used to discriminate between **6 gases** at various concentrations.



Streaming-LLE

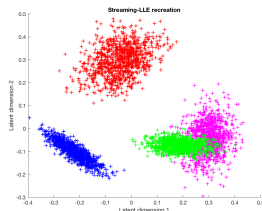
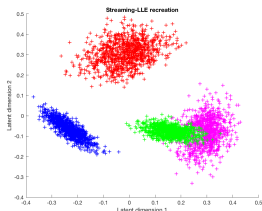
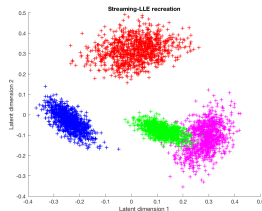
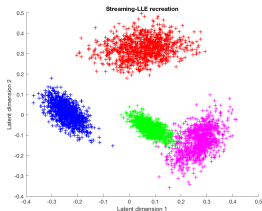
Results - Effect Of Changing k



Top Left: $k = 8$, Top Right: $k = 16$, Bottom Left: $k = 24$, Bottom Right: $k = 32$

Streaming-LLE

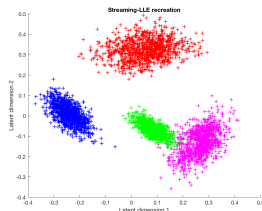
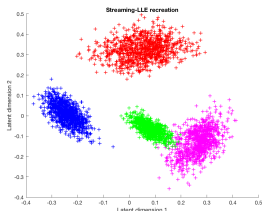
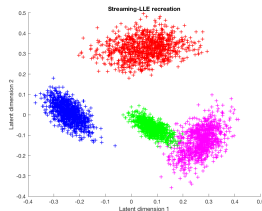
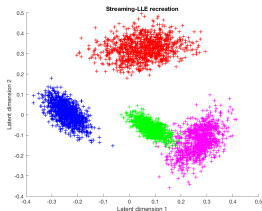
Results - Effect Of Changing l



Top Left: $l = 1$, Top Right: $l = 2$, Bottom Left: $l = 4$, Bottom Right: $l = 8$

Streaming-LLE

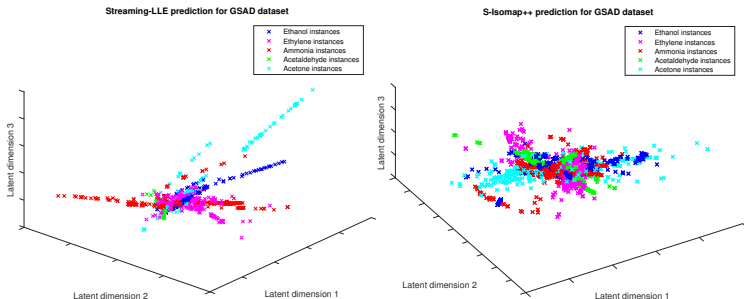
Results - Effect Of Changing λ



[Top Left: $\lambda = 0.005$, Top Right: $\lambda = 0.01$, Bottom Left: $\lambda = 0.02$, Bottom Right: $\lambda = 0.04$]

Streaming-LLE

Results - Comparison Between Streaming-LLE And S-Isomap++



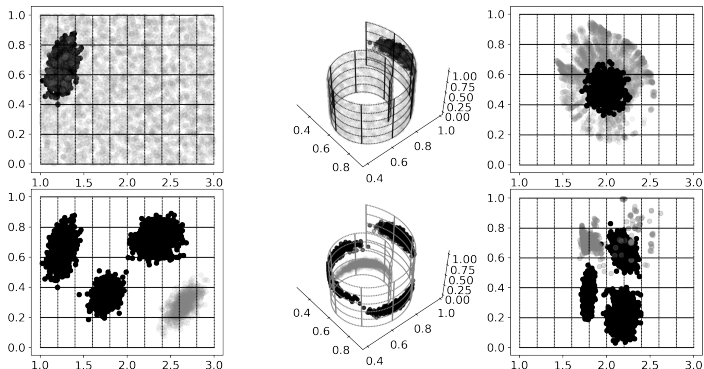
[Low-dimensional embedding uncovered by the Streaming-LLE algorithm on the Gas Sensor Array dataset. S-Isomap++ seems to uncover embeddings whose manifolds have smooth surfaces, while Streaming-LLE seems to uncover individual manifolds which are linear but disjoint and non-smooth.]

GP-Isomap

Handling Non-stationary Streams

Motivation:

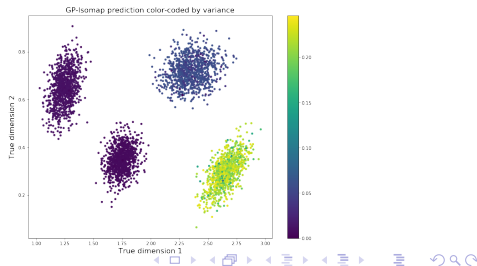
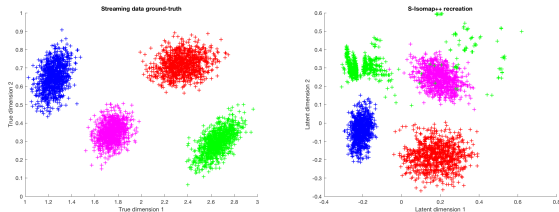
- S-Isomap++ **cannot detect** and **handle** changes in the stream distribution.



GP-Isomap

Motivation

- Fits a GP on batch data.
- Computes GP predictions on streaming samples.
- Uses GP variance to identify possible shifts in stream.
- Subsequently, re-trains batch to handle novel instances.



GP-Isomap

Methodology

- Uses **Isomap** for **learning** low-dimensional embeddings for $\mathbf{C}_{i=1,2\dots p}$.
- For **hyper-parameter estimation**, uses low-dimensional embeddings uncovered by **Isomap** and **Geodesic Distance based kernel**.
- For **Gaussian Process (GP) regression**, uses low-dimensional embeddings uncovered by **Isomap**, **Geodesic Distance based kernel** and **GP specific estimated hyper-parameters**.

GP-Isomap

Geodesic-Distance Based Kernel

The GP-Isomap algorithm uses a **novel geodesic distance based** kernel function defined as:

$$k(\mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{y}_j) = \sigma_s^2 \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{b}_{i,j}}{2\ell^2}\right)$$

where $\mathbf{b}_{i,j}$ is the ij^{th} entry of the **normalized** geodesic distance matrix \mathbf{B} , σ_s^2 is the **signal variance** (whose value is fixed as 1.0 in this work) and ℓ is the **length scale** hyper-parameter.

GP-Isomap

Geodesic-Distance Based Kernel

The **novel kernel** is **positive-definite** (PD) as demonstrated below :-

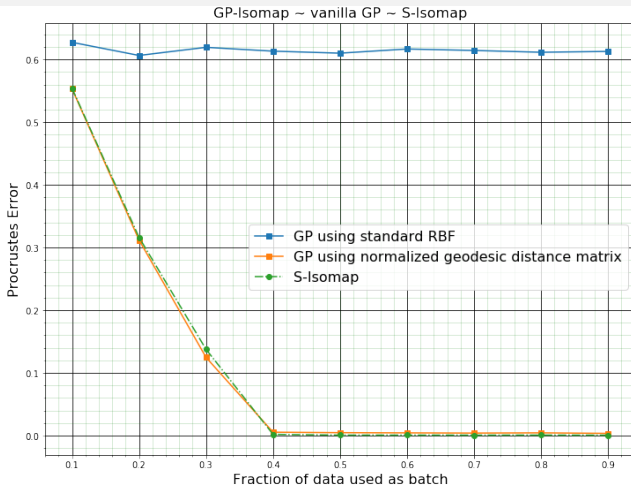
$$\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{I} + \sum_{i=1}^d \left[\exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_i}{2\ell^2}\right) - 1 \right] \mathbf{q}_i \mathbf{q}_i^T = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{Q} \tilde{\Lambda} \mathbf{Q}^T$$

where $\tilde{\Lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} \left[\exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_1}{2\ell^2}\right) - 1 \right] & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \left[\exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_d}{2\ell^2}\right) - 1 \right] \end{bmatrix}$ and

$\{\lambda_i, \mathbf{q}_i\}_{i=1\dots d}$ are the **eigenvalue/eigenvector** pairs of \mathbf{B} .

GP-Isomap

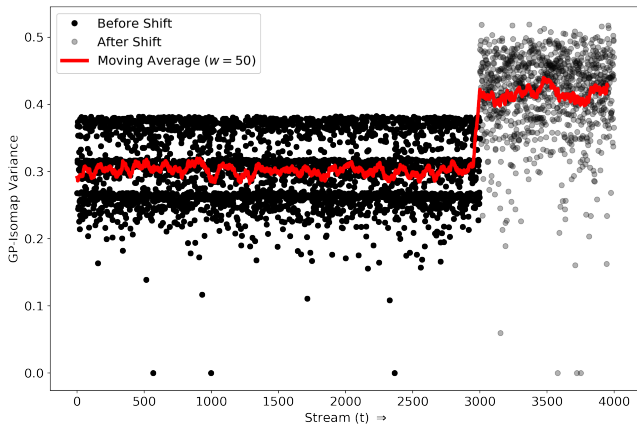
Results



[Procrustes error (PE) between the ground truth with a) GP-Isomap (blue line) with the geodesic distance based kernel, b) S-Isomap (dashed blue line with dots) and c) GP-Isomap (green line) using the Euclidean distance based kernel, for different fractions (f) of data used in the batch B .]

GP-Isomap

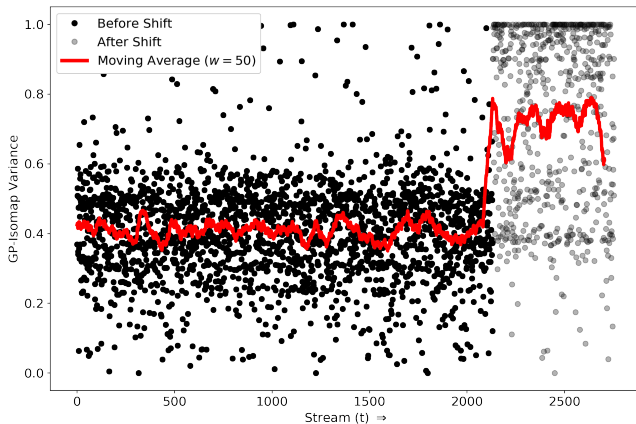
Results



[Using variance to detect *concept-drift* using the four patches dataset. Initially, when stream consists of samples generated from known modes, variance is low, later when samples from an unrecognized mode appear, variance shoots up. We can also observe the three variance “bands” above corresponding to the variance levels of the three modes for $t \leq 3000$.]

GP-Isomap

Results



[Using variance to identify *concept-drift* for the GSAD dataset. The introduction of points from an unknown mode in the stream results in variance increasing drastically as demonstrated by the mean (red line). The spread of variances for points from known modes ($t \lesssim 2000$) is also smaller, compared to the spread for the points from the unknown mode ($t \gtrsim 2000$).]

S-Isomap

Theoretical Results

Theorem

Given uniformly sampled, unimodal distribution from which the batch dataset \mathcal{B} for S-Isomap is derived from, $\exists n_0$ i.e. for $n \geq n_0$ the Procrustes Error $\epsilon_{Proc}(\tau_{\mathcal{B}}, \tau_{ISO})$ between $\tau_{\mathcal{B}} = \phi^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$, the true underlying representation and $\tau_{ISO} = \hat{\phi}^{-1}(\mathcal{B})$, the embedding uncovered by Isomap is small ($\epsilon_{Proc} \approx 0$) i.e. **the batch phase of the S-Isomap algorithm converges.**

Proof.

- [Bernstein et al.] showed that a data set \mathcal{B} having samples drawn from a **Poisson distribution** with **density function α** satisfying certain conditions, leads to

$$(1 - \lambda_1) \leq \frac{d_G(x, y)}{d_M(x, y)} \leq (1 + \lambda_2) \quad [\forall x, y \in \mathcal{B}] \quad (1)$$

S-Isomap

Theoretical Results

Proof.

- $\tilde{D}_G = \tilde{D}_M + \Delta \tilde{D}_M$
- Equating the **expected sample size** ($n\tilde{\alpha}$) from a fixed distribution to the **density function** α , we get the threshold for n_0 i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} n_0 &= (1/\tilde{\alpha}) \log(V/(\mu\tilde{V}(\delta/4)))/\tilde{V}(\delta/2) \\ &= (1/\tilde{\alpha}) [\log(V/\mu\eta_d(\lambda_2\epsilon/16)^d)]/\eta_d(\lambda_2\epsilon/8)^d \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where \tilde{D}_M and \tilde{D}_G represent the **squared distance matrix** corresponding to $d_M(x, y)$ and $d_G(x, y)$ respectively, $\tilde{\alpha}$ is the **probability of selecting a sample** from \mathcal{B} , $V =$ **volume of the manifold**, $\tilde{V}(r) = \eta_d r^d$ and $\eta_d =$ **volume of unit ball** in \mathbb{R}^d .

S-Isomap

Theoretical Results

Proof.

- [Sibson *et al*] demonstrated the robustness of MDS to small perturbations i.e. let F perturb the true squared-distance matrix B to $B + \Delta B = B + \epsilon F$. PE between the embeddings uncovered by MDS for B and $B + \Delta B$ equates to $\frac{\epsilon^2}{4} \sum_{j,k} \frac{e_j^T F e_k^2}{\lambda_j + \lambda_k} \approx 0$ for small perturbation matrix F .
- Substituting $\epsilon = 1$ and replacing B with \tilde{D}_M and ΔB with $\Delta \tilde{D}_M$ above, we get our result, since the entries of $\Delta \tilde{D}_M$ are very small i.e. $\{0 \leq \Delta \tilde{D}_M(i, j) \leq \lambda^2\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$ where $\lambda = \max(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ for small λ_1, λ_2 .

GP-Isomap

Theoretical Results

Theorem

The prediction τ_{GP} of GP-Isomap is equivalent to the prediction τ_{ISO} of S-Isomap upto translation, rotation and scaling factors i.e. the Procrustes Error $\epsilon_{Proc}(\tau_{GP}, \tau_{ISO})$ between τ_{GP} and τ_{ISO} is 0.

Proof.

- **Want to show** $\epsilon_{Proc}(\tau_{GP}, \tau_{ISO}) = 0$.
- Subsequently, demonstrate that τ_{GP} is a **scaled, translated, rotated version** of τ_{ISO} .

GP-Isomap

Theoretical Results

Proof.

- The 1st dimension for **S-Isomap prediction** can be written as

$$\tau_{\text{ISO1}} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_1}}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{q}_{1,i} (\gamma - \mathbf{g}_{i,n+1}^2) \quad (3)$$

- The 1st dimension for **GP-Isomap prediction** can be written as

$$\tau_{\text{GP1}} = \frac{\alpha \sqrt{\lambda_1}}{1 + \alpha \mathbf{c}_1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{q}_{1,i} \left(1 - \frac{\mathbf{g}_{i,n+1}^2}{2\ell^2}\right) \quad (4)$$

where $\gamma = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_j \mathbf{g}_{i,j}^2\right)$, $\lambda_1 = 1^{\text{st}}$ **eigenvalue** of \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{q}_1 the

corresponding **eigenvector**, $\alpha = \frac{1}{(1 + \sigma_n^2)}$ and $\mathbf{c}_1 = \left[\exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_1}{2\ell^2}\right) - 1\right]$.

GP-Isomap

Theoretical Results

Proof.

- (3) is a **scaled, translated, rotated** version of (4).
- Similarly, **for each** of the dimensions ($1 \leq i \leq d$), τ_{GP_i} can be shown to be a **scaled, translated, rotated** version of τ_{ISO_i} .
- We **consolidate** these **individual scaling, translation and rotation** factors together into **single collective factors** and **demonstrate** the required result.



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Conclusions & Future Work

- Can work with only a **fraction of the data** and **still be able to learn**, while **processing** the remaining data **“cheaply”**.
- **Demonstrate theoretically** that a **“point of transition”** exists for certain algorithms.
- **Provide error metrics** to **practically identify** them.
- **Formulate** a **generalized OOSE framework** for streaming NLSDR.
- **Including** other NLSDR methods as **part of this framework** and **understanding relationships** with other members of the **NLDR family** are **future research** directions.

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