
Self-Adaptable Templates for Feature Coding

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In the following Supplementary Material, we introduce the additional information and derivations that we promised in the main paper.

1 TR as Coding-Pooling based on Pattern Similarities

1.1 Derivation of $\langle \mathbf{y}^r, \mathbf{y}^s \rangle$ in TR

Recall that the final output vector in TR is $\mathbf{y} = \text{vec}(\log(\mathbf{K})) = \text{vec}(\sum_{k < M} \log(\lambda_k) \mathbf{e}_k \mathbf{e}_k^t)$, where \mathbf{e}_k are the eigenvectors of \mathbf{K} , and λ_k the corresponding eigenvalues. \mathbf{K} is the correlation matrix of the input set of vectors, $\mathbf{K} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i < N} \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^t$. The $\text{vec}(\cdot)$ operator vectorizes $\log(\mathbf{K})$, and \mathbf{x}_i^t is the transpose of vector \mathbf{x}_i .

Also, recall that we denote $\langle \mathbf{y}^r, \mathbf{y}^s \rangle$ as the inner product between \mathbf{y}^r and \mathbf{y}^s , which are the final representation vectors from two sets of input feature vectors, $\{\mathbf{x}_i^r\}_N$ and $\{\mathbf{x}_i^s\}_N$, respectively, where we use the superscripts r and s to indicate the respective representation for each set.

We re-write the definition of TR with $\langle \mathbf{y}^r, \mathbf{y}^s \rangle$. $\langle \mathbf{y}^r, \mathbf{y}^s \rangle$ becomes

$$\langle \mathbf{y}^r, \mathbf{y}^s \rangle = \sum_{k < M} \sum_{q < M} \log(\lambda_k^r) \log(\lambda_q^s) \text{tr}((\mathbf{e}_k^r \mathbf{e}_k^{rt})(\mathbf{e}_q^s \mathbf{e}_q^{st})). \quad (1)$$

The derivation of the above equation is

$$\langle \mathbf{y}^r, \mathbf{y}^s \rangle = \quad (2)$$

$$\text{vec} \left(\sum_{k < M} \log(\lambda_k^r) \mathbf{e}_k^r \mathbf{e}_k^{rt} \right)^t \text{vec} \left(\sum_{q < M} \log(\lambda_q^s) \mathbf{e}_q^s \mathbf{e}_q^{st} \right) = \quad (3)$$

$$\text{tr} \left(\sum_{k < M} \log(\lambda_k^r) (\mathbf{e}_k^r \mathbf{e}_k^{rt}) \sum_{q < M} \log(\lambda_q^s) (\mathbf{e}_q^s \mathbf{e}_q^{st}) \right) = \quad (4)$$

$$\sum_{k < M} \sum_{q < M} \log(\lambda_k^r) \log(\lambda_q^s) \text{tr}((\mathbf{e}_k^r \mathbf{e}_k^{rt})(\mathbf{e}_q^s \mathbf{e}_q^{st})), \quad (5)$$

where the last equation is the same as Eq. (1). In the derivation from Eq. (3) to Eq. (4) we use the property $\text{vec}(\mathbf{A})^t \text{vec}(\mathbf{B}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{B})$, where $\text{tr}(\cdot)$ is the trace function of a matrix. From Eq. (4) to Eq. (5) we reorder the terms, and take out of the trace function the $\log(\lambda_k)$, which is a scalar.

Finally, we rewrite Eq. (5) using the following equivalence $\text{tr}((\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^t)(\mathbf{v}\mathbf{v}^t)) = (\mathbf{u}^t \mathbf{v})^2 = \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle^2$, and it becomes:

$$\langle \mathbf{y}^r, \mathbf{y}^s \rangle = \sum_{k < M} \sum_{q < M} \log(\lambda_k^r) \log(\lambda_q^s) \langle \mathbf{e}_k^r, \mathbf{e}_q^s \rangle^2. \quad (6)$$

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