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Lecture – 51 Clustering analysis: Part III

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In our previous class we have seen effect of standardization and how to find out different distances like Manhattan distance, Euclidean distance and Minkowski distance. Then I have explained how to select the variables. In this lecture we are going to see when you are collecting the data if you are missing some data, some data is not available how to handle that situation. Then very important concept of similarity and dissimilarity matrix. That is our agenda for this lecture.

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First let us see how to handle the missing data. It is often happens that not all measurements are actually available. So there are some holes in the data matrix that is a missing value in the data matrix. Such an absent measurement is called missing value it may have several causes. The value of measurement may have been lost or it may not have been recorded at all by oversight or lack of time.

Sometime the information is simply not available. For example, birth date of a foundling or the patients may not remember whether he or she ever had their measles, or it may be impossible to measure the desired quantity due to the malfunctioning of some instrument. In certain instances, the question does not apply or there may be more than one possible answer when the experiments obtain very different results.

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- If the data are standardized, the mean value m, of the fth variable is calculated by making use of the present values only
- The same goes for s_f,

$$s_{f} = \frac{1}{n} \{ |x_{1f} - m_{f}| + |x_{2f} - m_{f}| + \cdots + |x_{nf} - m_{f}| \}$$

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If the data are standardized, the mean value m of the fth variable is calculated by making use of present values only. The same goes for your mean absolute deviation, so mean absolute deviation that is Sf = 1 / n modulus of x1f - mf and so on xnf -mf. In the denominator, we must replace n

by the number of non-missing values for that variables, but of course only when the corresponding xi is not missing itself.

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In the computation of distances based on the either Xi or the Zi similar precautions must be taken when calculating the distances d of i, j only those variables are considered in the sum of which the measurements of both objects are present. Subsequently, the sum is multiplied by p and divided by the actual number of terms. In the case of Euclidean distances, this is done before taking the square root. Such a procedure only make sense when the variables are thought of as having the same weight. For instance, this can be done after standardization.

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Dissimilarities

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- Basically, dissimilarities are non-negative numbers d(i, j) that are small (close to zero) when i and j are "near" to each other and that become large when i and j are very different
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10, where the 0 represents identical 10 represents very different. The actual entries of the table in the next slides are the average of these values given by the students.

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It appears that the smallest dissimilarity is perceived between mathematics and computer science that value is 1.43 mathematics and computer science. This is our smallest dissimilarity whereas the most remote fields where psychology and astronomy psychology, astronomy. So this table represents dissimilarity matrix from that we can directly read, which is having lesser dissimilarity, which is having more dissimilarity.

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If one wants to perform a cluster analysis on a set of variables that have been observed in some population. There are other measures of dissimilarity. For instance, one can compute the Parametric Pearson product-moment between the variables f and g or alternatively nonparametric spearman correlation. Here the dissimilarity can be found with the help of your Pearson correlation or spearmen correlation. We know that the Pearson correlation is a parametric method spearmen correlation is non-parametric method. Because Spearman correlation is applicable only for ordinal data.

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Both the coefficients lay between - 1 and + 1. Which one I am saying where our Pearson and Spearman correlation and do not depend on the choice of measurement units. We need not bother about the units because we are going to see the range of correlation coefficient is -1 to +1. Similarly, the Spearman correlation value also between -1 to +1. That value does not depending upon what type of units of the data.

The main difference between is that the Pearson coefficients look for a linear relationship between variables f and g, whereas the spearmen coefficient searches for monotone relations. So, this is formula for our correlation coefficient, so we call it as r the correlation coefficient we have studied this formula already. So the correlation coefficient row is this is nothing but co variance, co variance of x, y divided by standard deviation of x standard deviation of y. So this is in some other format this is x, y the correlation coefficient, not x, y here you can call it as f, g.

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Correlation coefficients are useful for clustering purposes because they measures the extent to which two variables are related. Correlation coefficients, whether parametric or non-parametric can be converted into dissimilarities d of f, g for instance, by setting by this relationship. So dissimilarity between object f, g = 1- R that is correlation coefficient between f, g divided by 2. ith this formula variables with a high positive correlation receive a dissimilarity coefficient close to zero whereas the variables with a strongly negative correlation will be considered as very dissimilar.

Why this kind of conversion is required the range of dissimilarity is between 0 to 1, but sometime what will happen the value of correlation coefficient between -1 to +1. So convert into to 0 to 1 scale we can use this transformation.

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Now we enter into another concept called similarities. Previously we are explaining about dissimilarity and how we are going to study about what is similarities. The more objects and j are alike, so the larger will be similarity between s i, j becomes. Such a similarity s of i, j typically takes on values between 0 to 1 whereas 0 means that i and j are not similar at all, and 1 reflects maximum similarity. Values between 0 and 1 indicate various degrees of resemblance. Often it is assumed that the following conditions hold. So, S1 0 <= s of I, j <= 1, because the range of similarities between 0 to 1. S2 the similarity between i, i itself 1 the similarity s i, j = j, i

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We will continue the concept of similarities for all objects i and j the numbers s of i, j can be arranged in an n-by-n matrix which is then called similarity matrix. Both similarity and

dissimilarity matrices are generally referred to as proximity matrices sometimes as a resemblance. In order to define similarities between variables, we can again resort to a Pearson or Spearman correlation coefficient.

However, neither correlation measures can be used directly as a similarity coefficient because they also take on negative values because we cannot take the value of correlation and Spearman correlation as it is because they may range between -1 to +1, but the similarity values between 0 to 1.

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So in that case, we have to go for some transformation, some transformation is in order to bring the coefficients into the zero-one range. There are essentially two ways to do this, depending on the meaning of the data and the purpose of the application. If the variables with a strong negative correlation are considered to be very different because they are oriented in the opposite direction, like mileage and weight of a set of cars, then it is best to take something like the following.

You have to follow this transformation s of f, g = 1 + R of f, g what will happen here? We have added some constant so that constant will nullify the negative effect which yields the similarity between f and g = 0 whenever the correlation coefficient is - 1 because - 1 and + 1 becomes 0. So this take care that the similarity value comes between 0 to 1.

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Similarities

- There are situations in which variables with a strong negative correlation should be grouped, because they measure essentially the same thing
- For instance, this happens if one wants to reduce the number of variables in a regression data set by selecting one variable from each cluster
- · In that case it is better to use a formula like

s(f,g) = |R(f,g)|

which yields s(f, g) = 1 when R(f, g) = -1



There are situations in which variables with a strong negative correlation should be grouped because they measure essentially the same thing. For instance, this happens if one wants to reduce the number of variables in a regression dataset by selecting one variable from each cluster. In that case, it is better to use formula like this. Similarity between f, g = the modulus value of correlation coefficient between f and g, which yields that the similarity between f, g = 1 when the correlation coefficient is -1. We have to take only the positive values.

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Similarities

- Suppose the data consist of a similarity matrix but one wants to apply a clustering algorithm designed for dissimilarities
- · Then it is necessary to transform the similarities into dissimilarities
- The larger the similarity s(i, j) between i and j, the smaller their dissimilarity d(i, j) should be
- · Therefore, we need a decreasing transformation, such as

$$d(i, j) = 1 - s(i, j)$$

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dissimilarity d of i, j should be. Therefore, we need a decreasing transformation. This is a very important result. So what it says that if you want to know the dissimilarity between two objects i, j that is nothing but 1 - similarity between i, j

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Binary Variables

A contingency table for binary variables.

		1	0	sum
	1	q	r	q+r
object i	0	S	t	s+t
	sum	q+s	r+t	р

Let us take a binary type variable for that let us find the similarity and dissimilarity. Suppose a contingency table for binary variable is given. There is an object i and object j you see that object i is 1 0 there are two possibility object j also 1 0. So the q represents where the object i also takes value 1 object j also takes value 1. This r represents q is the number of values here r represents i = 1 j = 0 this s represents number of values where i = 0 j = 1 t represents both i and j = 0.

The row sum is q + r for when i = 1 when I = 0 the row sum is s + t same thing the column sum s when j = 1 the column sum is q + s when j = 0 the column sum is r + t. So the sum of q, r, s, t that is nothing but your value p.

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What is the meaning of this q, r, s, t? q represents the number of variables that equal 1 for both objects i and j you see that q is the number of variables r is the number of variables that equal one for object i but that are 0 for object j. S represents number of variables that equals 0 for object i, but equal 1 for object j. So t represents the number of variables that equals 0 for both objects i and j. The total number of variables is p where p = q + r + s + t.

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The dissimilarity between symmetric binary variable, so from the previous table. What is the meaning of Symmetric binary variable is example is gender suppose 0 Male 1 female. You can reverse the code also there would not be any problem on this. So that is example of Symmetric Binary variable. So for Symmetric binary variable, how to find out dissimilarity. So dissimilarity

between i, j is it is r + s what is r + s we will go this. So this one, the dissimilarity is this value r + s divided by sum of the all values r + s divided by q + r + s + t.

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A binary variable is asymmetric if the outcomes of the states are not equally important, such as the *positive* and *negative* outcomes of a disease *test*. By convention, we shall code the most important outcome, which is usually the rarest one, by 1 (e.g., *HIV positive*) and the other by 0 (e.g., *HIV negative*).

- Given two asymmetric binary variables, the agreement of two 1s (a positive match) is then considered more significant than that of two 0s (a negative match).
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Then let us see what is the meaning of Asymmetric binary variable. A binary variable is Asymmetric. If the outcomes of the states are not equally important, such as positive and negative outcome of disease test. By convention, we shall code the most important outcome, which is usually the rarest one by 1. For example, HIV positive that is the rarest one we will code it as 1 and the other by 0 HIV negative.

Given two Asymmetric binary variable the agreement of two 1s that is a positive match is considered more significant than that of two 0s that is negative match. Therefore, such binary variable are often considered as monary as if having only one state because we need not bother about the zero state, because zero state is that non-presence of HIV, because we are more concerned about presence of HIV where the state of one is more important.

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		object j	8		
		1	0	sum	
	1	q	r	q+r	
object i	0	S	t	s+t	
	sum	q+s	r+t	р	
				$d(i,j) = \frac{1}{q}$	$\frac{r+s}{r+s}$.

Now let us see how to find out dissimilarity value between Asymmetric binary variable. The same table which I have given contingency table which I have given previous table I have given. So the dissimilarity between Asymmetric matrixes d of i, j. So we are considered about only r and s in this in the denominator there would not be t because we are not considering 0. So only we are writing q+r + s. If it is Symmetric binary dissimilarity, the difference is there was a t element was there here. But here in the asymmetric binary dissimilarity formula there is no t element.

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Even we have seen this relationship, that relationship called the Jaccard co-efficient. That is the similarity between i, j = 1 - dissimilarity. So similarity q divided by i, j where is q this one plus,

we are bothered about only the pretense of 1 so q divided by q + r + s that is your similarity between i, j for a asymmetric binary variable. So if we want to know dissimilarity, that is simply the similarity equal to 1 minus dissimilarity between i and j.

name	gender	fever	cough	test-l	test-2	test-3	test-4
Jack	М	Y	Ν	Р	Ν	Ν	Ν
Mary	F	Y	Ν	Р	Ν	Р	Ν
Jim	М	Y	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν
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Now let us take an example we will find out for Asymmetric binary variable how to find out dissimilarity matrix. This table shows there are different name is there Jack, Mary, Jim. There is a gender here gender is Symmetric binary variable. We are not going to consider this one because this is a different test fever, cough test 1, test 2, test 3, test 4. This is Asymmetric variable because where the presence of 1 is more important Y represents and P represents 1 N represents 0.

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For this matrix, let us find the dissimilarity matrix between Jack and Mary. So I brought the table again we will let us find out the dissimilarity matrices between Jack and Mary. So for Mary, there are two possibility 1 0 for Jack that is under 2 possibility, 1 and 0. So let us count how we got this 2 so Mary also 1 Jack also 1 there are two possibilities there Mary this is 1 possibility this is another possibility. So there is a two count, so we have written it as 2.

Then how we got this 1? Mary is 1 jack is 0 so that means this one where Mary is 1 Jack is 0. Now we will go this column where Mary is 0 Jack is 1 so Mary 0 is this one, I think there is no value for this. Let us see the last option that is Mary also 0 Jack is also 0, So this 1 2 this is 3 that is 3. So if you want to know the dissimilarity distance between Jack and Mary, so we know that the formula is so we will add this 0 + 1 divided by 2 + 0 + 1 so we got 0.33.

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Similarly, now let us find how to find out the dissimilarity between Jack and Jim. So Jack is taken in rows Jim is taken as in the column. So first we will find out how we got this 1. So this case is Jack also 1 Jim also 1. So this category so Jack also 1 Jim also 1. I think there is only one possibility, so it is 1 how we got this 1, the Jack is 1 Jim is 0. So this value Jack is 1 presence Jim is 0 that is 1. So how we got this1 where Jack is 0 Jim is 1. So Jack is 0 yeah, this value Jack is 0 no means 0 Y means 1.

Let us see how we got this value 3 so Jack also is 0 Jim also is 0 so this 1 no this one 1, 2, 3 that is how we got the 3 values. So if you want to know the dissimilarity between Jack and Jim. So this is 1 + 1 divided by 1 + 1 + 1 so 2/3 it is 0.67.

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Let us take another example the dissimilarity between Jim and Mary. So Mary there is two option 1 and 0. But Jim also there are two options 1 and 0 let us see how we got this value 1. Mary is 1 Jim also 1. So this possibility this one the second case Mary is 1 Jim is 0 this is one value. Mary is 1 Jim is 0 so there are two possibility. So that is where we got the value 2 how we got to this value 1 Mary is 0 Jim is 1 so Mary is 0 Jim = 1 that is this value.

So how we got this 2 Mary is also 0 Jim also 0 so these two possibilities, Mary also 0 Jim also 0 test 1 here also Mary is 0 Jim also 0. So if you want to know asymmetric dissimilarity between Jim and Mary it is 1 + 2 this value plus this one divided by this 1 + 1 + 2 that is 4 so we got 0.75. So this is the way to find out asymmetric dissimilarity between different variables. In this class, we have seen how to handle the missing data for cluster analysis.

Then I have explained the concept of similarity and dissimilarity matrix. Then we have studied symmetric and asymmetric binary variable and how to find out the dissimilarity between symmetric binary variables and dissimilarity between asymmetric binary variables. Thank you.