## Graph-Regularized Generalized Low Rank Models

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## **Previous Work**

- Generalized Low Rank Models (GLRMs)

- Spectral Embedding

## Low Rank Models

 Approximate a data matrix as the product of two low-rank factors ("Wide" factor)



## Low Rank Models

- Objective Function:

# $\min_{X,W} \sum_{(i,j)\in\Omega} l_j(Y_{ij}, x_i^T w_j) + r(X) + \tilde{r}(W)$

## Low Rank Models

- Using squared error recovers truncated SVD (PCA if centered and scaled)

# $\underset{X,Y}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|A - X^T Y\|_F^2$

## Spectral Embedding

 Maximizes similarity along a graph using Laplacian matrix L

## Spectral Embedding - Laplacian Matrix

(Path Graph)



## Spectral Embedding - Laplacian Matrix

#### (Complete Graph)





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$$\min_{X} \operatorname{tr}(XLX^T) \quad s.t. \quad XX^T = I.$$

## Graph GLRM

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## $\min_{X,W}$

$$\sum_{(i,j)\in\Omega} l_j(Y_{ij}, x_i^T w_j) + \alpha \operatorname{tr}(XLX^T) + \tilde{r}(W)$$



GraphGLRM uses modified Proximal Alternating Linearized Minimization (PALM) to fit factors; it takes two alternating proximal gradient steps per iteration, one per factor

## Software Implementation

- Implementation in Julia language available at

https://github.com/mihirparadkar/GraphGLRM.jl

## Software Implementation

- User specifies the data table, loss function, regularizers on factors, and rank, along with optional parameters like a list of indices of known values

gm = GGLRM(Amissing, loss, rx, ry, k, obs=obs)

## **Experiments**

- Imputation of block occlusions

- Classification of faces into male/female with occluded images

## **Results - Classification Experiment**

Embedding Method	Precision	Recall	F1-Score
None	0.727	0.4	0.516
PCA	0.381	0.4	0.390
Spectral Embedding	1	0	0
Vanilla GLRM	0.714	0.25	0.370
Graph GLRM	1	0.5	0.667

Method	MSE
PCA	15032
Spectral Embedding	3415.4
Vanilla GLRM	634.63
Graph GLRM	554.48







## Conclusions

- Combines linear embedding of GLRM with non-linear dimensionality reduction through graph Laplacian
- Freely-available and performant software implementation for fitting

- Can improve performance in reconstructing missing values and in classification with noisy data

## Thank You!