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Generalized degrees of freedom  $t$ -SNE with  $\gamma$ -divergence

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## 摘要

本論文主要在推廣  $t$ -分布隨機鄰域嵌入法。在此方法的原始論文中 [9]，是使用  $t_1$  分布來嵌入低維度的空間來當作模型。 $t_1$  分布有相當厚尾的性質，主要是用來減少擁擠問題的效應。然而對於不同的資料，其大小、維度、性質都不盡相同，不見得都需要用到  $t_1$  分配來建模。因此本論文就把原本  $t$ -SNE 使用的  $t_1$  分布推廣到  $t_\nu$  分布。為了衡量資料分布與模型分布間的差異，在  $t$ -SNE 的原始論文中 [9] 使用的是 KL-散度。在這個部分中，我們亦作了換使用伽馬散度的推廣，其中 KL-散度是伽馬散度的一個特例。再來推導出使用伽馬散度的  $t_\nu$ -SNE 的梯度，用來做可以執行的程式，並應用在兩個實際的例子。

**關鍵字：** 伽馬散度，t-SNE，隨機鄰域嵌入法，視覺化方法，非監督式降維





# Abstract

This thesis presents an extended version of the  $t$ -SNE visualization method. In the original paper [9] of  $t$ -SNE, the  $t_1$ -distribution was used to embed the data into a low dimensional space. The distribution  $t_1$  has very fat tails that can reduce the effect of the crowding problem. However, data sets may vary in different aspects, such as the data set size, dimensionality, or feature properties, etc. It seems not adequate to use only the  $t_1$  distribution for modeling the low dimensional similarity. Hence, it is natural to extend the degrees of freedom in  $t$ -SNE to general  $t_\nu$ . To measure the discrepancy between data distribution and model distribution, the original paper [9] used KL-divergence. In this work, we also make an extension by using gamma-divergence, which includes KL-divergence as a special case. The gradient of minimum gamma-divergence  $t_\nu$ -SNE is derived and used in the implementation algorithm. Two numerical examples are presented.

**Keywords:** gamma-divergence,  $t$ -SNE (stochastic neighborhood embedding), unsupervised dimension reduction, visualization.







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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

*t*-SNE (*t*-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding) is a nonlinear unsupervised dimension reduction method, also an improvement of an earlier SNE algorithm of Hinton and Roweis (2002) [6]. It was proposed by van der Maaten and Hinton (2008) [9]. They used *t*-distribution to embed the data to a low-dimensional space and to compute the similarity between two points. The KL-divergence was used to measure the discrepancy between the data distribution and the model distribution. The low-dimensional embedding was solved by minimum KL-divergence estimation.

In the conclusion of van der Maaten and Hinton (2008), they gave a discussion on the degrees of freedom of the *t*-distribution. It can be helpful for dimension reduction, if the low-dimensional space has many dimensions. As the degrees of freedom increase, *t*-distribution will get closer to the Gaussian. A more Gaussian-like distribution can be useful for big datasets.

Furthermore, for the purpose of reducing the influence of outliers, we can use more robust divergence measure than the widely used KL-divergence [1, 7]. The main reason is that KL-divergence is more sensitive to outliers than gamma-divergence. The latter includes the KL-divergence as a special case.





# Chapter 2

## Literature Review

In this chapter, we give a brief review for  $t$ -SNE and gamma-divergence.

### 2.1 SNE and $t$ -SNE

In SNE, the similarity of high-dimensional data points  $x_j$  to  $x_i$  is a conditional probability,  $p_{j|i}$ , which is measured by a Gaussian probability density centered at  $x_i$  with Euclidean distance between data points. Precisely, the conditional probability  $p_{j|i}$  is given by

$$p_{j|i} = \frac{\exp(-\|x_i - x_j\|^2 / 2\sigma_i^2)}{\sum_{k \neq i} \exp(-\|x_i - x_k\|^2 / 2\sigma_i^2)}, \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\sigma_i$  is the Gaussian standard deviation and its value is determined by  $Perp$ , the *perplexity*. Set  $p_{i|i} = 0$ . The perplexity of the distribution  $P_i = \{p_{j|i}\}_{j=1}^n$  is defined as

$$Perp(P_i) = 2^{H(P_i)}, \quad \text{where } H(P_i) = -\sum_j p_{j|i} \log_2 p_{j|i}.$$

The perplexity can be interpreted as the effective number of local neighbors, and is usually chosen by hand between 5 and 50 [9]. Let  $y_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  denote embedded points in the low-dimensional space. Here the dimensionality  $d$  is often set to  $d = 2$ , or 3. The similarity between points  $y_i$  and  $y_j$ , denoted by  $q_{j|i}$ , is based on a similar conditional probability

model and is given by

$$q_{j|i} = \frac{\exp(-\|y_i - y_j\|^2)}{\sum_{k \neq i} \exp(-\|y_i - y_k\|^2)}. \quad (2.2)$$



Similarly, set  $q_{i|i} = 0$ . Consider the cost function

$$C = \sum_i KL(P_i \| Q_i) = \sum_{i,j} p_{j|i} \log \frac{p_{j|i}}{q_{j|i}}, \quad (2.3)$$

where  $Q_i = \{q_{j|i}\}_{j=1}^n$ . To estimate the low-dimensional embedding  $\{y_i \in \mathbb{R}^d\}_{i=1}^n$ , we seek the minimum KL-divergence estimation via gradient descent. The gradient is given by

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = 2 \sum_j (p_{j|i} - q_{j|i} + p_{i|j} - q_{i|j})(y_i - y_j). \quad (2.4)$$

The optimization problem of the original SNE is difficult to solve due to the *curse of intrinsic dimensionality* problem. Later, *t*-SNE was developed as an alternative to SNE. There are two major differences from SNE. The first one is that *t*-SNE has used symmetrized conditional probabilities and with some adjustment about the weight to every data point  $x_i$  that makes them all have enough contribution to the cost function. The probabilities are set as follows.

$$p_{ij} = \frac{p_{j|i} + p_{i|j}}{2n}. \quad (2.5)$$

The second difference is that *t*-SNE has used the Student-*t* distribution with 1-degree of freedom to replace the Gaussian distribution for low-dimensional embedding. The similarities, or say the joint probabilities  $q_{ij}$ , in the model space are defined to be

$$q_{ij} = \frac{(1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1}}{\sum_{k \neq l} (1 + \|y_k - y_l\|^2)^{-1}}. \quad (2.6)$$

Use the same KL-divergence-based cost function. The gradient of *t*-SNE is given by

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = 4 \sum_j (1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1} (p_{ij} - q_{ij})(y_i - y_j). \quad (2.7)$$



From now on we will use  $t_1$ -SNE to reflect its degree of freedom is one.



## 2.2 The gamma-divergence

Fujisawa and Eguchi [5] proposed a robust estimation method by gamma-divergence. This divergence also measures the discrepancy between data distribution and the corresponding model distribution, but it can reduce the influence of outliers better than KL-divergence, and is a generalization of KL-divergence.

**Definition 2.2.1** (Gamma norm). *For  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $p$  is a probability distribution function, then the gamma norm is defined as*

$$\Phi_\gamma(p) = \|p\|_{\gamma+1} = \left( \int p(x)^{\gamma+1} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma+1}} := \|p\|. \quad (2.8)$$

**Definition 2.2.2** (Gamma divergence [2]). *Let  $p, q$  be both probability distribution functions, then the gamma-divergence is*

$$D_\gamma(p, q) = \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \{ \Phi_\gamma(p) - \Phi_\gamma(q) - \langle \nabla \Phi_\gamma(q), p - q \rangle \}. \quad (2.9)$$

We express the inner product in gamma-divergence and simplify it:

$$\begin{aligned} D_\gamma(p, q) &= \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \left( \|p\| - \|q\| - \int \frac{1}{\gamma+1} \|q\|^{-\gamma} (\gamma+1) q^\gamma (p - q) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \left( \|p\| - \|q\| - \int \left( \frac{q}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma p + \int \frac{q^{\gamma+1}}{\|q\|^\gamma} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \left( \|p\| - \int \left( \frac{q}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma p \right). \end{aligned}$$

From the definition, we can see that when  $\gamma \rightarrow 0^+$ , the gamma-divergence will converge to the KL-divergence.

For minimizing the divergence  $D_\gamma(p, q)$ , or say minimizing the cost function, since  $p$  is fixed, we can turn this minimization problem into a maximization of the following

cross-entropy:

$$C_\gamma = \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma + 1)} \int \left( \frac{q}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma p.$$

For the case of  $t_1$ -SNE,  $C_\gamma$  takes the following form:

$$C_\gamma = \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma + 1)} \sum_{l \neq k} \left( \frac{q_{lk}}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma p_{lk}, \quad (2.10)$$

where  $\|q\|$  is given by

$$\|q\| = \|q\|_{\gamma+1} = \left\{ \sum_{l=1, l \neq k}^n \sum_{k=1}^n q_{lk}^{\gamma+1} \right\}^{1/(\gamma+1)}.$$





## Chapter 3

### $t_\nu$ -SNE with KL-divergence

The main focus of this chapter is to formulate the  $t_\nu$ -SNE with minimum KL-divergence estimation and to compute the gradient of its corresponding cost function.

#### 3.1 The formulation

Recall that Student's t-distribution has the probability density function given by

$$f(t) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\nu\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}. \quad (3.1)$$

By applying the  $t_\nu$ -distribution to the model of the data points, the new affinity function of data  $i$  to data  $j$  (or data  $j$  to data  $i$ , or between data  $i$  and data  $j$ ) is

$$q_{ij} = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}}{\sum_{k \neq l} \left(1 + \frac{\|y_k - y_l\|^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}}.$$

We can compare to (2.6) and see the similarities and differences.

The cost function computed by using KL-divergence to the data P and the model Q is

$$C = KL(P||Q) = \sum_{i,j} p_{ij} \log \frac{p_{ij}}{q_{ij}} = \sum_{i,j} p_{ij} (\log p_{ij} - \log q_{ij}).$$

Since  $p_{ij}$ 's are fixed, so if we want to minimize the cost function, we can just deal with the second term of the above equation, i.e.  $\sum_{i,j} -p_{ij} \log q_{ij}$ .



## 3.2 The gradient

**Proposition 3.2.1.** *The gradient of the cost function of  $t_\nu$ -SNE with KL-divergence is*

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = \frac{2(\nu + 1)}{\nu} \sum_j \left( 1 + \frac{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}{\nu} \right)^{-1} (p_{ij} - q_{ij})(y_i - y_j). \quad (3.2)$$

*Proof.* Define two auxiliary variables:

$$\begin{cases} d_{ij} = \|y_i - y_j\| \\ Z = \sum_{k \neq l} \left( 1 + \frac{d_{kl}^2}{\nu} \right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}} \end{cases} \Rightarrow q_{ij} = \frac{\left( 1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu} \right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}}{Z}. \quad (3.3)$$

Note if  $y_i$  changes, only  $d_{ij}$  and  $d_{ji}$  changes for all  $j$ , and by using norm derivative, we can get  $\frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial y_i} = (y_i - y_j)/d_{ij}$ , then with chain rule we have:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = \sum_j \left( \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_{ij}} + \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_{ji}} \right) (y_i - y_j)/d_{ij} = 2 \sum_j \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_{ij}} (y_i - y_j)/d_{ij} \quad (3.4)$$

a rough form of gradient. Then with appropriate assumption  $p_{ii} = q_{ii} = 0$ , now we

compute  $\frac{\partial C}{\partial d_{ij}}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_{ij}} &= \frac{\partial \sum_{k \neq l} -p_{kl} \log q_{kl}}{\partial d_{ij}} \\
 &= - \sum_{k \neq l} p_{kl} \frac{\partial \log q_{kl}}{\partial d_{ij}} \\
 &= - \sum_{k \neq l} p_{kl} \frac{\partial (\log q_{kl} Z - \log Z)}{\partial d_{ij}} \\
 &= - \sum_{k \neq l} p_{kl} \left( \frac{1}{q_{kl} Z} \frac{\partial \left(1 + \frac{d_{kl}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}}{\partial d_{ij}} - \frac{1}{Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial d_{ij}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$



Because the term

$$\frac{\partial \left(1 + \frac{d_{kl}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}}{\partial d_{ij}}$$

is nonzero when  $k = i$  and  $l = j$ , and  $\sum_{k \neq l} p_{kl} = 1$ , also use representations in (3.3), the above result becomes to

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial C}{\partial d_{ij}} &= \frac{p_{ij}}{q_{ij} Z} \left[ \frac{\nu+1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+3}{2}} \frac{2d_{ij}}{\nu} \right] - \sum_{k \neq l} p_{kl} \left(\frac{1}{Z}\right) \left[ \frac{\nu+1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+3}{2}} \frac{2d_{ij}}{\nu} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \frac{\nu+1}{\nu} p_{ij} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} - \frac{\nu+1}{\nu} q_{ij} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} \right] d_{ij} \\
 &= \frac{\nu+1}{\nu} (p_{ij} - q_{ij}) \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} d_{ij}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the gradient is

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = (3.4) = \frac{2(\nu+1)}{\nu} \sum_j (p_{ij} - q_{ij}) \left(1 + \frac{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} (y_i - y_j).$$

□





# Chapter 4

## $t_1$ -SNE with gamma-divergence

The main focus of this chapter is to formulate the  $t_1$ -SNE with minimum gamma-divergence estimation and to compute the gradient of its corresponding cost function.

### 4.1 The cost function with gamma-divergence

By replacing the KL-divergence with the gamma-divergence in t-SNE, we have the following cost function (which is the negative cross-entropy in (2.10)):

$$-\frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \sum_{k \neq l} \left( \frac{q_{kl}}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma p_{kl} = -\frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \sum_{k \neq l} \frac{q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\left( \sum_{m \neq n} q_{mn}^{\gamma+1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}}}, \quad (4.1)$$

where  $q_{ij} = \frac{(1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1}}{\sum_{k \neq l} (1 + \|y_k - y_l\|^2)^{-1}}$ .

### 4.2 The gradient

**Proposition 4.2.1.** *The cost function of  $t_1$ -SNE with gamma-divergence has gradient:*

$$\frac{\partial D_\gamma}{\partial y_i} = \frac{4}{\gamma+1} \sum_j (1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}^\gamma p_{ij}}{\|q\|^\gamma} - \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{2\gamma+1}} q_{ij}^{\gamma+1} \right) (y_i - y_j). \quad (4.2)$$

*Proof.* Define  $d_{ij} = \|y_i - y_j\|$ , and known that

$$\frac{\partial d_{ij}}{\partial y_i} = (y_i - y_j)/d_{ij}$$

and define  $Z = \sum_{k \neq l} (1 + d_{kl})^{-1}$ , then we have:

$$q_{ij} = \frac{(1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-1}}{Z}. \quad (4.3)$$

By using same method in (3.4), the gradient from of  $C_\gamma$  is:

$$\frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial y_i} = 2 \sum_j \frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial d_{ij}} (y_i - y_j)/d_{ij}. \quad (4.4)$$

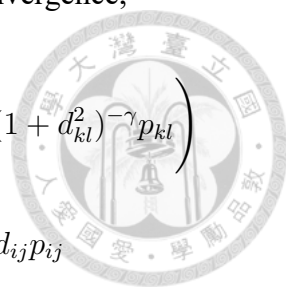
Then we compute the partial term  $\frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial d_{ij}}$  by changing the form of  $C_\gamma$  in  $d_{ij}$  first:

$$\begin{aligned} C_\gamma &= \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \sum_{k \neq l} \frac{q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\left( \sum_{m \neq n} q_{mn}^{\gamma+1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}}} = \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} q_{mn}^{\gamma+1} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} \sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl} \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \left[ \sum_{m \neq n} \left( \frac{(1 + d_{mn}^2)^{-1}}{Z} \right)^{\gamma+1} \right]^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} \left[ \sum_{k \neq l} \left( \frac{(1 + d_{kl}^2)^{-1}}{Z} \right)^\gamma p_{kl} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} (1 + d_{mn}^2)^{-(\gamma+1)} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} \left( \sum_{k \neq l} (1 + d_{kl}^2)^{-\gamma} p_{kl} \right). \end{aligned}$$





By using the similar differential techniques in  $t_1$ -SNE with gamma-divergence,



$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial d_{ij}} &= \frac{1}{\gamma+1} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} (1 + d_{mn}^2)^{-(\gamma+1)} \right)^{-\frac{2\gamma+1}{\gamma+1}} (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-\gamma-2} 2d_{ij} \left( \sum_{k \neq l} (1 + d_{kl}^2)^{-\gamma} p_{kl} \right) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{\gamma+1} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} (1 + d_{mn}^2)^{-(\gamma+1)} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-\gamma-1} 2d_{ij} p_{ij} \\
 &= \frac{2}{\gamma+1} d_{ij} (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-\gamma-1} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} (1 + d_{mn}^2)^{-(\gamma+1)} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} \\
 &\quad \left[ (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-1} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} (1 + d_{mn}^2)^{-(\gamma+1)} \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{k \neq l} (1 + d_{kl}^2)^{-\gamma} p_{kl} \right) - p_{ij} \right] \\
 &= \frac{2}{\gamma+1} d_{ij} (Zq_{ij})^{\gamma+1} \|Zq\|^{-\gamma} \left( (Zq_{ij} \|Zq\|^{-(\gamma+1)} \sum_{k \neq l} (Zq_{kl})^\gamma p_{kl} - p_{ij}) \right) \\
 &= \frac{2}{\gamma+1} d_{ij} Zq_{ij}^{\gamma+1} \|q\|^{-\gamma} \left( q_{ij} \|q\|^{-(\gamma+1)} \sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl} - p_{ij} \right) \\
 &= \frac{2}{\gamma+1} d_{ij} (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma \left( \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{\gamma+1}} q_{ij} - p_{ij} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

So the gradient computed in (4.4) is:

$$\frac{4}{\gamma+1} \sum_j (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma \left( \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{\gamma+1}} q_{ij} - p_{ij} \right) (y_i - y_j).$$

Hence, the gradient of the cost function in (4.1) is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial D_\gamma}{\partial y_i} &= -\frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial y_i} \\
 &= \frac{4}{\gamma+1} \sum_j (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij} p_{ij}}{\|q\|^\gamma} - \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{2\gamma+1}} q_{ij}^{\gamma+1} \right) (y_i - y_j). \quad (4.5)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Then we can observe that as  $\gamma \rightarrow 0$ , we have  $\|q\| \rightarrow 1$  by the definition of gamma norm.

The result in (4.5) becomes

$$4 \sum_j (p_{ij} - q_{ij}) (1 + d_{ij}^2)^{-1} (y_i - y_j).$$



This is the gradient of the cost function of  $t_1$ -SNE with KL-divergence. It follows that when  $\gamma \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\gamma$ -divergence will go to KL-divergence.

### 4.3 A comparison of gradient with others

In this section, we compare this case to one of the others who also done  $t_1$ -SNE with gamma divergence, but with a little different form.

In *Stochastic neighbor embedding (SNE) for dimension reduction and visualization using arbitrary divergences* [1], their gamma-divergence used has the form:

$$D_\gamma(p \parallel q) = \log \frac{[\int p^{\gamma+1} dr]^{1/(\gamma^2+\gamma)} \cdot [\int q^{\gamma+1} dr]^{1/(\gamma+1)}}{(\int p \cdot q^\gamma dr)^{1/\gamma}}$$

It's some different from ours in 2.2.2, especially for taking a logarithm. And they had also computed the gradient of  $t_1$ -SNE with gamma-divergence:

$$4 \sum_j (1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1} \left( \frac{p_{ij} q_{ij}^\gamma}{\sum_{kl} p_{kl} q_{kl}^\gamma} - \frac{q_{ij}^{\gamma+1}}{\sum_{kl} q_{kl}^{\gamma+1}} \right) (y_i - y_j) \quad (4.6)$$

We mark the part of our gradient(4.2) in red where is different from above:

$$\frac{4}{\gamma + 1} \frac{\sum_{kl} p_{kl} q_{kl}^\gamma}{\|q\|^\gamma} \sum_j (1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1} \left( \frac{p_{ij} q_{ij}^\gamma}{\sum_{kl} p_{kl} q_{kl}^\gamma} - \frac{q_{ij}^{\gamma+1}}{\|q\|^{\gamma+1}} \right) (y_i - y_j)$$

Although the gradient is not the same, but the numerical example practice in the last chapter seems almost the same. Probably that it is no different in the direction of the gradient, only the scalar part.



# Chapter 5

## $t_\nu$ -SNE with gamma-divergence

In this chapter we discuss the general case, i.e.,  $t_\nu$ -SNE with minimum gamma-divergence estimation.

### 5.1 The formulation and the cost function

The cost function with gamma-divergence here is also  $D_\gamma$  in 2.2.2. Here want to compute the gradient of it, then the question is to maximize  $C_\gamma$  in (2.10) when the distribution is  $t_\nu$ , where

$$C_\gamma = \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma + 1)} \sum_{l \neq k} \left( \frac{q_{lk}}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma p_{lk},$$

where  $\|q\|$  is given by

$$\|q\| = \|q\|_{\gamma+1} = \left\{ \sum_{l=1, l \neq k}^n \sum_{k=1}^n q_{lk}^{\gamma+1} \right\}^{1/(\gamma+1)}$$

with

$$q_{ij} = \frac{\left( 1 + \frac{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}{\nu} \right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}}{\sum_{k \neq l} \left( 1 + \frac{\|y_k - y_l\|^2}{\nu} \right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}},$$

and where

$$p_{ij} = \frac{p_{j|i} + p_{i|j}}{2n}$$

with

$$p_{j|i} = \frac{\exp(-\|x_i - x_j\|^2 / 2\sigma_i^2)}{\sum_{k \neq i} \exp(-\|x_i - x_k\|^2 / 2\sigma_i^2)}.$$

By plugging the new  $q_{ij}$  above into  $C_\gamma$ , we can get the general cost function for  $t_\nu$ -SNE with gamma divergence.



## 5.2 The gradient

The gradient of the  $t_\nu$ -SNE with minimum gamma-divergence estimation is derived below.

**Proposition 5.2.1.** *The cost function of  $t_\nu$ -SNE with  $\gamma$ -divergence has gradient:*

$$\frac{\partial D_\gamma}{\partial y_i} = \frac{2(\nu + 1)}{(\gamma + 1)\nu} \sum_j \left(1 + \frac{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}^\gamma p_{ij}}{\|q\|^\gamma} - \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{2\gamma+1}} q_{ij}^{\gamma+1} \right) (y_i - y_j). \quad (5.1)$$

We can observe that the above result is quite similar to the gradient form in  $t_1$ -SNE with gamma divergence in Chapter 4. When  $\gamma \rightarrow 0^+$ , it is clear that  $\frac{\partial D_\gamma}{\partial y_i} \rightarrow \frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i}$ , the gradient of  $t_\nu$ -SNE with KL-divergence in (3.2). Moreover, also let  $\nu$  to be 1, the gradient here will be the original gradient of  $t$ -SNE in (2.7).

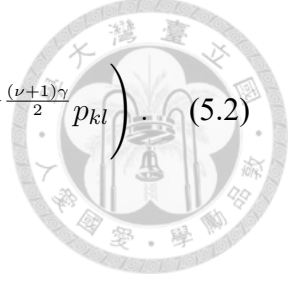
*Proof.* By the gradient form in (4.4), we have to compute the partial term  $\frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial d_{ij}}$  first, where the  $C_\gamma$  is already given in above section, then use the same process in the proof of 4.2.1.

Define two auxiliary variables same as (3.3):

$$\begin{cases} d_{ij} = \|y_i - y_j\| \\ Z = \sum_{k \neq l} \left(1 + \frac{d_{kl}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}} \end{cases} \Rightarrow q_{ij} = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}}{Z}$$

By the form-changing method of  $C_\gamma$  in the proof of 4.2.1,  $C_\gamma$  turns into

$$C_\gamma = \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma+1)} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} \left(1 + \frac{d_{mn}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)(\gamma+1)}{2}} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} \left( \sum_{k \neq l} \left(1 + \frac{d_{kl}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)\gamma}{2}} p_{kl} \right). \quad (5.2)$$



Then the partial term is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial d_{ij}} &= \frac{\nu+1}{\nu(\gamma+1)} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} \left(1 + \frac{d_{mn}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)(\gamma+1)}{2}} \right)^{-\frac{2\gamma+1}{\gamma+1}} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)(\gamma+1)}{2}-1} d_{ij} \left( \sum_{k \neq l} \left(1 + \frac{d_{kl}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)\gamma}{2}} p_{kl} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{\nu+1}{\nu(\gamma+1)} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} \left(1 + \frac{d_{mn}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)(\gamma+1)}{2}} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)\gamma}{2}-1} d_{ij} p_{ij} \\ &= \frac{\nu+1}{\nu(\gamma+1)} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} \left(1 + \frac{d_{mn}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)(\gamma+1)}{2}} \right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)\gamma}{2}-1} d_{ij} \\ &\quad \left[ \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}} \left( \sum_{m \neq n} \left(1 + \frac{d_{mn}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)(\gamma+1)}{2}} \right)^{-1} \left( \sum_{k \neq l} \left(1 + \frac{d_{kl}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-\frac{(\nu+1)\gamma}{2}} p_{kl} \right) - p_{ij} \right] \\ &= \frac{\nu+1}{\nu(\gamma+1)} d_{ij} (Zq_{ij})^{\gamma+\frac{2}{\nu+1}} \|Zq\|^{-\gamma} \left( (Zq_{ij}) \|Zq\|^{-(\gamma+1)} \sum_{k \neq l} (Zq_{kl})^\gamma p_{kl} - p_{ij} \right) \\ &= \frac{\nu+1}{\nu(\gamma+1)} d_{ij} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma \left( \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{\gamma+1}} q_{ij} - p_{ij} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the gradient of the cost function about  $t_\nu$ -SNE with  $\gamma$ -divergence is

$$-\frac{\partial C_\gamma}{\partial y_{ij}} = 2 \sum_j \frac{\nu+1}{\nu(\gamma+1)} \left(1 + \frac{d_{ij}^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}}{\|q\|} \right)^\gamma \left( p_{ij} - \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{\gamma+1}} q_{ij} \right) (y_i - y_j) \quad (5.3)$$

□

At last, we show all the gradients computed above together to see their similarities and differences easily:



$$t_1\text{-SNE with KL-divergence: } \frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = 4 \sum_j (1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1} (p_{ij} - q_{ij})(y_i - y_j)$$

$$t_\nu\text{-SNE with KL-divergence: } \frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = \frac{2(\nu+1)}{\nu} \sum_j \left(1 + \frac{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} (p_{ij} - q_{ij})(y_i - y_j)$$

$$t_1\text{-SNE with } \gamma\text{-divergence: } \frac{\partial D_\gamma}{\partial y_i} = \frac{4}{\gamma+1} \sum_j (1 + \|y_i - y_j\|^2)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}^\gamma p_{ij}}{\|q\|^\gamma} - \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{2\gamma+1}} q_{ij}^{\gamma+1} \right) (y_i - y_j)$$

$$t_\nu\text{-SNE with } \gamma\text{-divergence: } \frac{\partial D_\gamma}{\partial y_i} = \frac{2(\nu+1)}{(\gamma+1)\nu} \sum_j \left(1 + \frac{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}{\nu}\right)^{-1} \left( \frac{q_{ij}^\gamma p_{ij}}{\|q\|^\gamma} - \frac{\sum_{k \neq l} q_{kl}^\gamma p_{kl}}{\|q\|^{2\gamma+1}} q_{ij}^{\gamma+1} \right) (y_i - y_j)$$

Figure 5.1: Comparison of gradients with different case



## Chapter 6

# Numerical Examples

In this chapter, we present two numerical examples to visualize the low-dimensional embedding by  $t_\nu$ -SNE with various degrees of freedom ( $\nu = 1, 2, 3$ ), various gamma values ( $\gamma = 0.1, 10^{-3}, 10^{-5}$ ), and various perplexity levels ( $Perp = 50, 100, 150, 200$ ).

The first data example is the MNIST dataset, a set of well-known hand-written digits data, which can be downloaded from *Kaggle*. Please refer to *Visualizing data using t-SNE* (2008) [9] and van der Maaten's website [8]. The authors have provided Python code for  $t_1$ -SNE with minimum KL-divergence estimation. We modified and extended their code to  $t_\nu$ -SNE with minimum gamma-divergence estimation.

The second data is also from Kaggle and is about the 'Dogs vs. Cats', which was originally used for distinguishing between dog and cat images. This is a very easy task for human eyes, but it might be quite difficult for computer to do it. There is a transfer-learning method to extract dog-cat data features using a pre-trained model VGG16.

### 6.1 MNIST data

The original MNIST data set has 60000 digits as training set. Each digit is a 28x28 array (or a 784-vector), with elements taking values in  $\{0,1,\dots,255\}$  by representing the grayscale of an image pixel. Since the size is quite large for a typical personal computer, we ran a random stratified sampling to take 5000 or 10000 digits from the original data and also used fewer iterations than the original code. Here we first demonstrate the part of 5000

data size with  $Perp = 100$ . From Fig.6.1~6.3, we can see different effects of  $\gamma$  values.

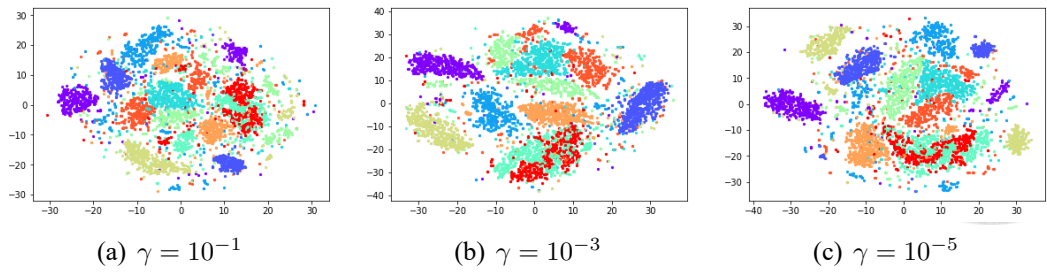


Figure 6.1: t with degree of freedom  $\nu=1$  ( $t_1$ -MNIST5000)

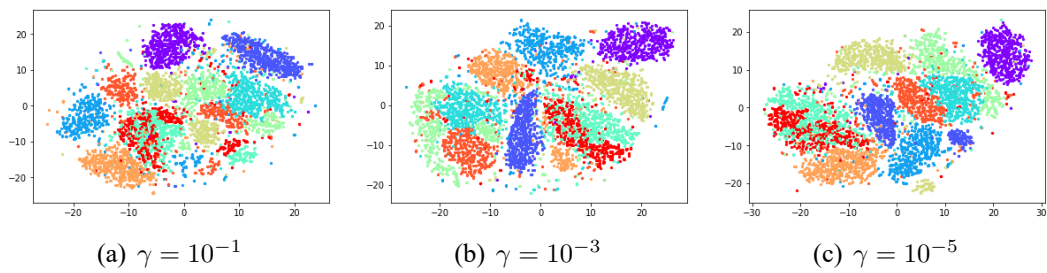


Figure 6.2: t with degrees of freedom  $\nu=2$  ( $t_2$ -MNIST5000)

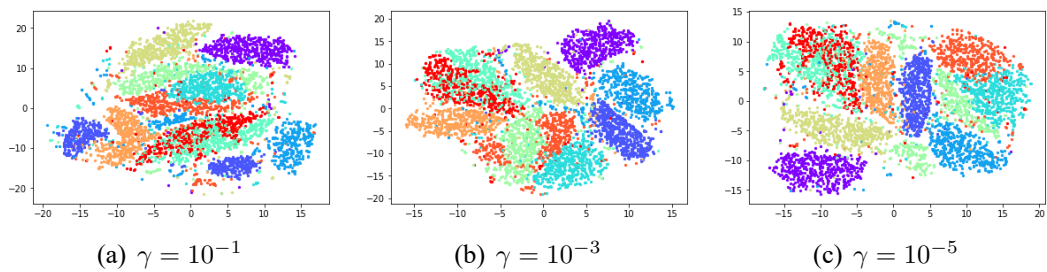


Figure 6.3: t with degrees of freedom  $\nu=3$  ( $t_3$ -MNIST5000)

For larger  $\gamma$  ( $\gamma = 0.1$ ), the performance is obviously worse than others. It seems similar when  $\gamma = 10^{-3}$  or  $\gamma = 10^{-5}$ . For the effect of degrees of freedom of  $t$ , we can see that for larger  $\nu$ , the group of same digits become looser, and the boundaries between different digit groups are likely more clear but near. Moreover, the influence of the size of  $\gamma$ 's is decreased.



For larger data size, it seems that only the density of points in the graphs is changed.

Fig.6.4 is the 10000 size MNIST, with  $\nu = 2$ , and also with  $Perp = 100$ .

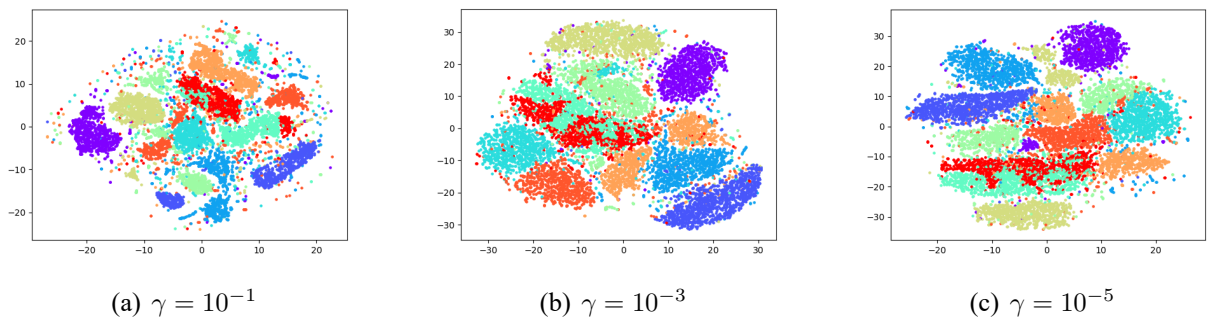


Figure 6.4:  $\nu = 2$  ( $t_2$ -MNIST10000)

## 6.2 Dogs v.s. Cats dataset

The original Dogs vs. Cats dataset has size 25,000, with half of the dogs and the other half the cats. These images have different shapes and pixels. We first do some preprocessing for preparation to feed into the pre-trained VGG16 deep neural network. This VGG16 was developed by Karen Simonyan and Andrew Zisserman in 2014, which is a convolution network that has been trained on the ImageNet dataset. The ImageNet dataset has huge labeled images and thousands of different classes, and the images contain various animals include our characters: dogs and cats. Hence the pre-trained VGG16 might be a nice feature extractor for the Dogs and Cats dataset. For the procedures of pre-trained VGG16, we refer the reader to the book "*Deep Learning with Python*" [4] in chapter 5, and the implementation code is available on github [3].

Here we use only partial data ( $n = 6000$ , half dogs and half cats) for demonstration. Given blue points are the dogs, and the red ones are the cats. We set  $Perp = 100$ , and vary  $\gamma$  and  $\nu$ . The graphs are on the next page.

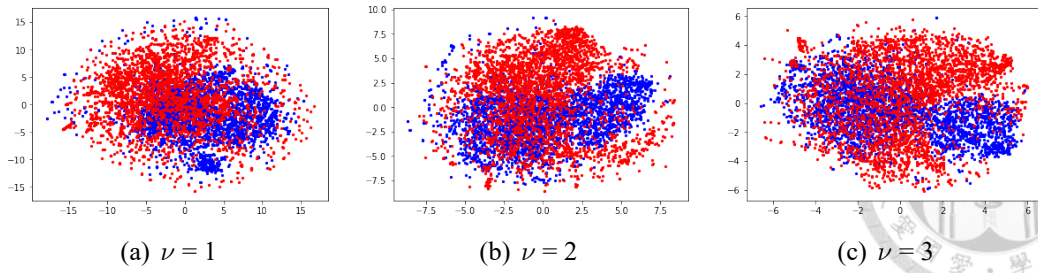


Figure 6.5:  $\gamma = 10^{-1}$  (DC6000-g1)

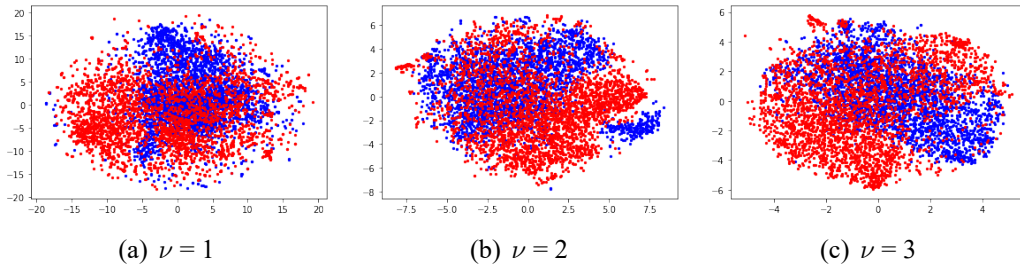


Figure 6.6:  $\gamma = 10^{-3}$  (DC6000-g3)

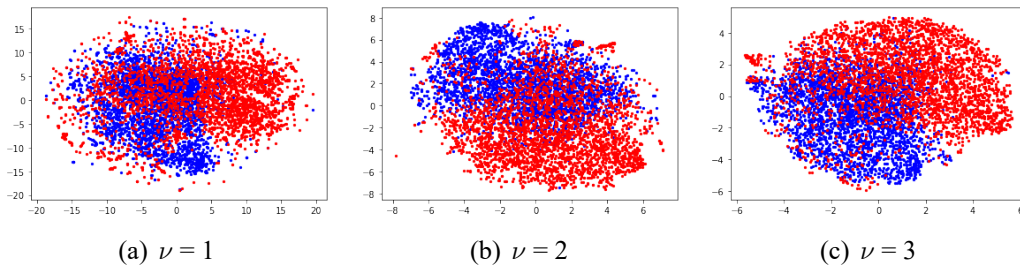


Figure 6.7:  $\gamma = 10^{-5}$  (DC6000-g5)

From Fig.6.5~6.7 we see that with smaller  $\gamma$  or larger  $\nu$  under the same perplexity 100, the cats and dogs seem to be more away from each other. When the  $\nu$  becomes larger, the group of points of either the cats or dogs becomes more concentrated.

With different perplexity ( $Perp = 150, 200$ ) and with  $\gamma = 10^{-5}$ , we have the following results (Fig.6.8, 6.9).

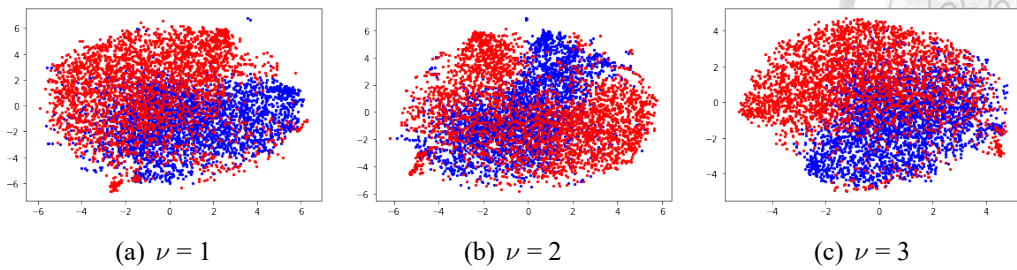


Figure 6.8:  $Perp = 150$  (DC6000-p150)

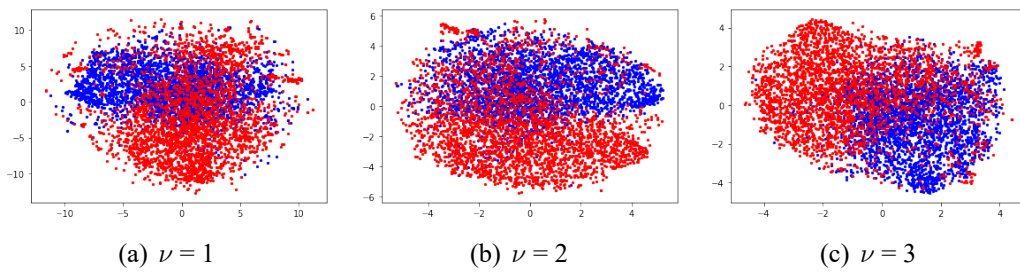


Figure 6.9:  $Perp = 200$  (DC6000-p200)

From Fig.6.8, 6.9, we see that with larger perplexity it will be more suitable to visualize this data since we can see that for  $Perp = 200$ , it becomes more clear between cats and dogs.





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# Appendix

## Python code for $t_\nu$ -SNE with gamma-divergence

Please refer to *Visualizing data using t-SNE* (2008) [9] and van der Maaten's website [8] for the original work and code for  $t_1$ -SNE with minimum KL-divergence. We modified and extended their code to  $t_\nu$ -SNE with minimum gamma-divergence estimation.

This is an implementation of MNIST with 5000 data points, t-distribution's degrees of freedom = 3,  $\gamma$  value =  $10^{-3}$ , and  $Perp = 100$ .

```
\# t_nu_gamma-SNE.py
\#
\# Original version was created by Laurens van der Maaten on 20-12-08.
\# Source from : https://lvdmaaten.github.io/tsne/
\# This is an adaptation by Chiou Yu Hsuan in 2019.
import numpy as np
import pylab
import matplotlib.cm as cm

nu_of_t = 3          ## t-distribution's freedom
Gamma = 0.001       ## gamma value of the used Gamma-divergence
perplexity = 100    ## perplexity variable
data_nums = 5000    ## data form

def Hbeta(D=np.array([]), beta=1.0):
    """
```

Compute the perplexity and the P-row for a specific value of the precision of a Gaussian distribution.

"""

```
# Compute P-row and corresponding perplexity
```

```
P = np.exp(-D.copy() * beta)
```

```
sumP = sum(P)
```

```
H = np.log(sumP) + beta * np.sum(D * P) / sumP
```

```
P = P / sumP
```

```
return H, P
```

```
def x2p(X=np.array([]), tol=1e-5, perplexity=perplexity):
```

```
    print("Computing pairwise distances...")
```

```
    (n, d) = X.shape
```

```
    sum_X = np.sum(np.square(X), 1)
```

```
    D = np.add(np.add(-2 * np.dot(X, X.T), sum_X).T, sum_X)
```

```
    P = np.zeros((n, n))
```

```
    beta = np.ones((n, 1))
```

```
    logU = np.log(perplexity)
```

```
    # Loop over all datapoints
```

```
    for i in range(n):
```

```
        # Print progress
```

```
        if i % 500 == 0:
```

```
            print("Computing P-values for point %d of %d..." % (i, n))
```

```
    # Compute the Gaussian kernel and entropy for the current precision
```

```
    betamin = -np.inf
```





```

betamax = np.inf
Di = D[i, np.concatenate((np.r_[0:i], np.r_[i+1:n]))]
(H, thisP) = Hbeta(Di, beta[i])

# Evaluate whether the perplexity is within tolerance
Hdiff = H - logU
tries = 0
while np.abs(Hdiff) > tol and tries < 50:

# If not, increase or decrease precision
if Hdiff > 0:
betamin = beta[i].copy()
if betamax == np.inf or betamax == -np.inf:
beta[i] = beta[i] * 2.
else:
beta[i] = (beta[i] + betamax) / 2.
else:
betamax = beta[i].copy()
if betamin == np.inf or betamin == -np.inf:
beta[i] = beta[i] / 2.
else:
beta[i] = (beta[i] + betamin) / 2.

# Recompute the values
(H, thisP) = Hbeta(Di, beta[i])
Hdiff = H - logU
tries += 1

# Set the final row of P
P[i, np.concatenate((np.r_[0:i], np.r_[i+1:n]))] = thisP

```



```

# Return final P-matrix
print("Mean value of sigma: %f" % np.mean(np.sqrt(1 / beta)))
return P

def pca(X=np.array([]), no_dims=50):
    """
    Runs PCA on the NxD array X in order to reduce its dimensionality to
    no_dims dimensions.
    """

    print("Preprocessing the data using PCA...")
    (n, d) = X.shape
    X = X - np.tile(np.mean(X, 0), (n, 1))
    (l, M) = np.linalg.eig(np.dot(X.T, X))
    Y = np.dot(X, M[:, 0:no_dims])
    return Y

def gamma_norm(Array, gamma = Gamma):
    """To compute the gamma norm of Q """
    return np.sum(np.power(Array, gamma+1))*(1/(gamma+1))

def tsne(X=np.array([]), no_dims=2, initial_dims=50, perplexity, gamma, nu):

# Check inputs
if isinstance(no_dims, float):
    print("Error: array X should have type float.")
    return -1
if round(no_dims) != no_dims:
    print("Error: number of dimensions should be an integer.")
    return -1

```





```
# Initialize variables
X = pca(X, initial_dims).real
(n, d) = X.shape
max_iter = 130 #1000
initial_momentum = 0.5
final_momentum = 0.8
eta = 500
min_gain = 0.01
Y = np.random.randn(n, no_dims)
dY = np.zeros((n, no_dims))
iY = np.zeros((n, no_dims))
gains = np.ones((n, no_dims))

# Compute P-values
P = x2p(X, 1e-5, perplexity)
P = P + np.transpose(P)
P = P / np.sum(P)
P = P * 4 # early exaggeration
P = np.maximum(P, 1e-12)

# Run iterations
for iter in range(max_iter):

# Compute pairwise affinities
sum_Y = np.sum(np.square(Y), 1)
num = -2. * np.dot(Y, Y.T)
## modified by t_nu distributed :
num = (1. + np.add(np.add(num, sum_Y).T, sum_Y)/nu)**(-(nu + 1)/2)
num_recipr = num**(2/(nu+1))
num[range(n), range(n)] = 0.
```

```

Q = num / np.sum(num)
Q = np.maximum(Q, 1e-12)
Q_n = gamma_norm(Q)

# Compute gradient ## my gradient part
PQ = Q**gamma*P/Q_n**gamma/(gamma+1)
      - Q**(gamma+1)*np.sum(Q**gamma*P)/Q_n**(2*gamma+1)/(gamma+1)

for i in range(n):
dY[i, :] = 2*(nu+1)/nu*np.sum(np.tile(PQ[:, i]
      * num_recipr[:, i], (no_dims, 1)).T * (Y[i, :] - Y), 0)

# Perform the update
if iter < 20:
momentum = initial_momentum
else:
momentum = final_momentum
gains = (gains + 0.2) * ((dY > 0.) != (iY > 0.)) + \
(gains * 0.8) * ((dY > 0.) == (iY > 0.))
gains[gains < min_gain] = min_gain
iY = momentum * iY - eta * (gains * dY)
Y = Y + iY
Y = Y - np.tile(np.mean(Y, 0), (n, 1))

# Compute current value of cost function
if (iter + 1) % 10 == 0:
C = (gamma_norm(P)-np.sum(Q**gamma * P)/gamma_norm(Q))/(gamma*(gamma+1))
print("Iteration %d: error is %f" % (iter + 1, C))

# Stop lying about P-values
if iter == 100:

```



```
P = P / 4.
```

```
# Return solution
```

```
return Y
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
```

```
print("Run Y = tsne(X, no_dims, perplexity) to perform modified t-SNE.")
```

```
print("Running example on 5,000 MNIST digits...")
```

```
with open("mnist_Train.txt", "r") as f:
```

```
data = f.read()
```

```
labels = []
```

```
label_lines = data.split('labels ')
```

```
for i in range(data_nums):
```

```
for j in range(10):
```

```
if label_lines[4*i+1][2*j] == '1':
```

```
labels.append(j)
```

```
X = []
```

```
lines = data.split('features ')
```

```
for i in range(data_nums):
```

```
raw = lines[4*i+1].split('\n')[0].split(' ')
```

```
for j in range(784):
```

```
raw[j] = int(raw[j])/255
```

```
X.append(raw)
```

```
raw = []
```

```
X=np.asarray(X)
```



```

# Visualized
Y = tsne(X, 2, 50, perplexity)

Color=cm.rainbow(np.linspace(0, 1, 10))
for i in range(data_nums):
pylab.scatter(Y[i, 0], Y[i, 1], 5, c=Color[int(labels[i])])
pylab.show()

```



## Python code of pre-trained Dogs and Cats dataset with VGG16

Here, we list the python code of pre-training the ‘Dogs and Cats’ image data with VGG16 network by using some method to convert the images to the size we want to use for running the  $t_\nu$ -SNE code above.

```

import tensorflow as tf;
import tensorflow.keras;
from PIL import Image;
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing import image;
import os;
os.environ['KMP_DUPLICATE_LIB_OK']='True';
import numpy as np;

# load data
test_datagen = image.ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255)

data_generator = test_datagen.flow_from_directory(
'train_data',
target_size=(150, 150),
color_mode="rgb",

```

```
shuffle = False ,  
class_mode='binary' ,  
batch_size=1)  
filenames = data_generator.filenames ;  
n = len(filenames);
```



```
vgg16_model = tf.keras.applications.vgg16.VGG16(include_top=False ,  
weights='imagenet' ,  
input_tensor=tf.keras.layers.Input(shape=(150,150,3)));  
  
output = vgg16_model.predict_generator(data_generator , steps = n);  
output_vec = np.reshape(output ,(6000, -1))  
np.save('vggout.npy' , output_vec );
```