In-Database Regression in Input Sparsity Time



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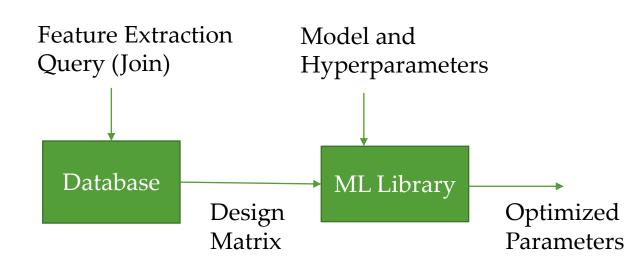
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Motivation

- Often data used by data scientists comes from a database join.
- For example:
 - A grocery store which wants to predict the sales of items
- Companies and Teams working on In-Database Machine Learning:
 - RelationalAI
 - Google's Bigquery ML
- Problems with Naïve approach:
 - Join increases the size
- In-Database ML means solving the problem without explicitly computing the join itself.
 - In-Database ML can be 100 times faster in practice for linear regression.[1]



Problem Definition

• Given a join query $J = T_1 \bowtie T_2 \bowtie \cdots \bowtie T_n$, we would like to perform linear regression on J.

Prior Works

- Using Functional Aggregation Queries (FAQ) we can solve linear regression by computing J^TJ [2,3].
 - For acyclic joins it has the worst-case time complexity $\tilde{O}(d^4m n)$
 - For two table instances with numerical data, it can be improved:
 - $\tilde{O}(d^{\omega-1} n)$
 - $\omega \approx 2.373$ is matrix multiplication exponent

Our Results

- We solve the problem using subspace embedding.
- $A' \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$ is a subspace embedding of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ if for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ we have $(1 - \epsilon) \|Ax\|_2 \le \|A'x\|_2 \le (1 + \epsilon) \|Ax\|_2$
- We design a sketching algorithm that provides a subspace embedding for 2 tables join with probability at least 9/10
 - Standard sketching algorithms need all the data to be present.
 - We design a new sketching algorithm for joins.
 - We divide the join into multiple blocks (without computing the join itself) and for each block we use
 - TensorSketch techniques [4]
 - Leverage score sampling: we sample using a novel sampling scheme without computing the leverage scores for all the rows in the join explicitly.
- Runtime of our algorithm is

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$$\tilde{O}\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\left((n_1+n_2)d+d^3\right)\right)$$
 for dense data and $k=\tilde{O}(\frac{d^2}{\epsilon^2})$
• $\tilde{O}\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2}(nnz(T_1)+nnz(T_2)+d^5)\right)$ for sparse data and $k=\tilde{O}(\frac{d^4}{\epsilon^2})$

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Our Results

- We extend our subspace embedding into machine precision regression.
- For linear regression problem, machine precision regression algorithms can obtain x' such that

$$||Ax' - b||_2 \le (1 + \epsilon) \min_{x} ||Ax - b||_2$$

- Our machine precision regression algorithm has the following runtime:
 - $\tilde{O}\left(\left((n_1+n_2)d+d^3\right)\log(\frac{1}{\epsilon})\right)$ for dense data
 - $\tilde{O}\left((nnz(T_1) + nnz(T_2) + d^5)\log(\frac{1}{\epsilon})\right)$ for sparse data
- For general joins, we can improve FAQ based algorithm for Ridge Regression using TensorSketch [4].

Experimental Results

• We compare our 2-table algorithm on LastFM dataset [5] and MovieLens dataset [6].

Dataset	n_1	n_2	d	$T_{FAQ}(sec)$	$T_{ours}(sec)$	err
LastFM	92834	186479	6	.034	.011	0.70%
MovieLens	1000209	3883	23	.820	.088	0.66%

$$err = \frac{\|Jx' - b\|_2^2 - \|Jx - b\|_2^2}{\|Jx - b\|_2^2}$$

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