Identification of Edible-vegetable-oil Types Based on Multi-kernel Learning and Multi-spectral Fusion

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Abstract. Aiming at the identification of edible oil quality, this study proposed a multi-spectral data fusion combined with multi-kernel learning support vector machine (SVM) method. This method used serial and wavelet fusion approaches to fuse Raman and near infrared spectral data, and established an identification model for edible-oil types, with the aid of the multi-kernel learning support vector machine (MKL-SVM). The performances of the single spectral model and spectral fusion model were compared, demonstrating that the spectral fusion could effectively improve the prediction accuracy and generalization ability of the model.

1. Introduction

With the development of economy and living standard, the quality of edible oil has drawn more and more attention. To gain more profits, many immoral providers fake high-grade edible oil with low-grade oil, jeopardizing the interests and health of consumers [1-2]. Therefore, it is of great significance to explore a detection technique for the fast and accurate identification of quality and composition of various commercial edible oils.

Currently, spectroscopy has been extensively applied in the quality identification of edible oils. In this field, the support vector machine (SVM) technology [3] has been widely applied to the analysis of spectral data. Compared to the traditional single-kernel support vector machine, the multi-kernel learning support vector machine (MKL-SVM), possessing the concept of multi-kernel learning, applies different projection methods to the different types of data in sample space, reducing the influence of original data on the parameters of a model and improving the generalization ability of the model [4]. On the other hand, data fusion is a multilevel data processing process, which consists of three levels: data, feature and decision layers. Each layer has its specific advantages and disadvantages [5]. This work adopted the data fusion technique, of which the information compression degree was appreciable. This merit is beneficial to real-time processing, and the fusion results can provide critical information for the decision analysis to a great extent because the extracted features are directly related to the decision analysis.

In this paper, the MKL-SVM models were established based on Raman and near infrared spectral data by using the data fusion and multi-kernel learning support vector machine technologies, for the fast identification of edible oil types.
2. Experimental

2.1. Materials
The performances of the MKL-SVM models established would greatly depend on the number of types of samples. Hence, we purchased eight types of vegetable oils including soybean oil, peanut oil, rapeseed oil, rice oil, corn oil, sunflower seed oil, camellia oil and olive oil, provided by famous providers in the globe. In addition, we purchased the feedstock of these eight types of vegetable oils, and extracted oil samples from the feedstock, to ensure the authenticity of the relative samples. After the preparation work, a total of 468 edible oil samples were obtained, and is summarized in Table 1. The SPXY algorithm was used to separate these oil samples into calibration and prediction sets at a ratio of 3:1.

2.2. Instrument and spectral acquirement
An RamTraceer-200 laser Raman spectral instrument (OptoTrace Technologies, Inc., China) was used in this study. The laser wavelength was 785nm, the resolution was $\leq 8$ cm$^{-1}$, the wavenumber studied was in the range of 250–2340cm$^{-1}$, and the maximum laser power was 320mW. The integration time of the Raman spectrometer was set to be 5 seconds and the laser power was 220mW in this study.

A home-made laser near-infrared spectral instrument with an AxsunXL410-type host (AXSUN, USA) was used for the fast detection of the quality of edible oil. The spectra were scanned 32 times in the range of 1350–1800nm, the resolution was 3.5 cm$^{-1}$, the wavelength repeatability was 0.01nm, and the signal-to-noise ratio (250ms, RMS) was higher than 5500:1. In this measurement, 2-, 5-, and 10-mm cuvettes could be selected. The temperature was in the range of 20–100ºC. Each sample was tested 3 times at room temperature and the average spectrum was used in the following steps. The original Raman spectra acquired in the range of 780–1800cm$^{-1}$ with a high signal to noise ratio are shown in Figure 1; the original near infrared (NIR) spectra acquired are shown in Figure 2.

![Original Raman spectra.](image)
2.3. Data preprocessing methods
In the experiment, the Raman spectra were separately preprocessed with the moving average 11-point method, adaptive iterative reweighted-penalty least square method, and the normalization method based on the intensity of characteristic peak at 1454 cm$^{-1}$ (MA11-airPLS-Nor). The Raman spectra preprocessed are shown in Figure 3. On the other hand, the NIR spectra were preprocessed following the standard normal variable transformation algorithm combined with detrending technique (SNV_DT). The NIR spectra preprocessed are shown in Figure 4.
2.4. Data fusion methods

In this study, the Raman and NIR spectra were separately fused on the feature level with the serial fusion and wavelet fusion approaches.

The serial fusion transformed the Raman and NIR spectra on the feature level into the same coordinate system. Then, the dimensions of feature were reduced by using the competitive adaptive reweighted sampling (CARS) method, for the extraction of the characteristic information after the fusion of Raman and NIR spectra [6].

The wavelet fusion technique decomposes the spectral information at different frequency ranges. The different spectral information at different frequency ranges was fused with different information fusion strategies, for the retention of the effective information of the spectra [7].

The wavelet fusion was performed according to the following fusion procedure:

First, two groups of spectra were separately transformed following the discrete wavelet transform to derive the low- and high-frequency details of the spectra. Then, the spectral information was fused following the principle: a larger coefficient was selected for high-frequency details, and mean coefficient was selected for low-frequency details. Eventually, the fused image was rebuilt through the inverse wavelet transform [8].

The preprocessed Raman and NIR spectra are shown in Figures 5–7.

![Figure 4. Near-infrared spectra preprocessed with SNV_DT.](image)

![Figure 5. NIR spectra preprocessed with SNV-DT and CARS-optimized-Raman-spectra preprocessed with MA11-airPLS-Nor.](image)
Figure 6. NIR spectra preprocessed with SNV-DT and CARS-optimized-Raman-spectra preprocessed with MA11-airPLS-Nor.

Figure 7. NIR spectra preprocessed with SNV-DT and wavelet-fusion-Raman-spectra preprocessed with MA11-airPLS-Nor.

3. MKL-SVM models for type identification

The identification model was established by the MKL-SVM. Based on the idea of multi-kernel learning, the spectral data were divided into 10 groups according to the feature dimensions. The features of these 10 groups were the Gauss kernels (RBF). The particle swarm optimization algorithm (PSO) was employed to optimize the parameters \((C, g)\) of each group. A total of 10 groups of \((C, g)\) were obtained. The kernels of these 10 different \((C, g)\) values were processed with the weighted voting, making a kernel with the better classification performance more powerful in the classification process. Thus, the final parameters \((C, g)\) were 10x8 matrixes \([C], [g]\).

The SNV-DT-preprocessed NIR, MA11-airPLS-Nor-preprocessed Raman, SNV-DT-MA11-airPLS-Nor-CARS-fused, and SNV-DT-MA11-airPLS-Nor-DWT-fused spectral data were used as the input variables, for the separate establishment of MKL-SVM models. The prediction results of these
MKL-SVM models are shown in Table 2. The parameters in Table 2 are shown in Figures 8–15. The PSO optimization processes and prediction results of these models are shown in Figures 16–23.

Figure 8. Parameter C1 of the SNV-DT-NIR-MKL-SVM.

\[ \begin{array}{cccccccc}
833 & 833 & 880 & 448 & 73 & 226 & 380 & 91 \\
899 & 758 & 622 & 604 & 217 & 711 & 245 & 392 \\
600 & 920 & 963 & 658 & 332 & 294 & 581 & 830 \\
274 & 396 & 614 & 618 & 271 & 630 & 379 & 865 \\
251 & 713 & 782 & 580 & 695 & 317 & 521 & 404 \\
955 & 1000 & 985 & 967 & 550 & 933 & 919 & 87 \\
584 & 159 & 109 & 978 & 55 & 319 & 834 & 845 \\
101 & 64 & 840 & 363 & 415 & 287 & 997 & 625 \\
33 & 74 & 181 & 789 & 8 & 240 & 575 & 428 \\
971 & 780 & 43 & 837 & 715 & 947 & 498 & 59 \\
\end{array} \]

Figure 9. Parameter g1 of the SNV-DT-NIR-MKL-SVM.

\[ \begin{array}{cccccccc}
336 & 896 & 90 & 857 & 393 & 675 & 696 & 440 \\
645 & 364 & 531 & 807 & 796 & 219 & 957 & 618 \\
914 & 772 & 770 & 577 & 239 & 304 & 873 & 552 \\
616 & 1000 & 877 & 870 & 920 & 557 & 929 & 310 \\
921 & 921 & 893 & 658 & 611 & 680 & 570 & 466 \\
439 & 424 & 921 & 357 & 789 & 888 & 901 & 613 \\
545 & 837 & 996 & 792 & 388 & 319 & 563 & 962 \\
54 & 748 & 438 & 246 & 44 & 526 & 196 & 162 \\
52 & 596 & 653 & 674 & 938 & 651 & 119 & 566 \\
104 & 177 & 546 & 143 & 721 & 506 & 491 & 44 \\
\end{array} \]

Figure 10. Parameter C2 of the MA11-airPLS-Nor-Raman-MKL-SVM.

\[ \begin{array}{cccccccc}
143 & 57 & 138 & 946 & 785 & 1000 & 817 & 72 \\
57 & 16 & 795 & 1000 & 18 & 912 & 541 & 985 \\
81 & 403 & 1000 & 46 & 564 & 324 & 497 & 655 \\
20 & 1000 & 4 & 592 & 131 & 498 & 348 & 209 \\
99 & 692 & 214 & 224 & 443 & 1000 & 39 & 0 \\
356 & 1000 & 457 & 1000 & 348 & 774 & 935 & 41 \\
32 & 312 & 655 & 1000 & 987 & 613 & 605 & 515 \\
887 & 534 & 75 & 720 & 924 & 1000 & 241 & 407 \\
94 & 1000 & 187 & 269 & 699 & 514 & 936 & 927 \\
97 & 522 & 497 & 158 & 72 & 427 & 22 & 471 \\
\end{array} \]
\[ g_2 = \]

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\begin{array}{cccccccc}
59 & 586 & 261 & 168 & 112 & 72 & 41 & 134 \\
204 & 288 & 15 & 7 & 995 & 753 & 34 & 6 \\
396 & 123 & 93 & 664 & 120 & 200 & 402 & 30 \\
280 & 10 & 994 & 18 & 495 & 20 & 54 & 32 \\
645 & 17 & 140 & 66 & 57 & 76 & 610 & 646 \\
277 & 84 & 453 & 64 & 64 & 39 & 16 & 467 \\
19 & 43 & 183 & 25 & 19 & 11 & 40 & 55 \\
111 & 559 & 727 & 307 & 54 & 42 & 730 & 279 \\
173 & 25 & 174 & 106 & 30 & 33 & 4 & 2 \\
378 & 573 & 854 & 810 & 984 & 12 & 761 & 423 \\
\end{array}
\]

**Figure 11.** Parameter \( g_2 \) of the MA11-airPLS-Nor-Raman-MKL-SVM.

\[ c_3 = \]

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\begin{array}{cccccccc}
766 & 1000 & 997 & 1000 & 955 & 1000 & 946 & 580 \\
246 & 1000 & 817 & 1000 & 1000 & 729 & 209 & 932 \\
775 & 906 & 1000 & 704 & 848 & 228 & 845 & 803 \\
989 & 1000 & 1000 & 634 & 1000 & 932 & 848 & 603 \\
956 & 837 & 935 & 982 & 503 & 480 & 920 & 770 \\
405 & 311 & 312 & 272 & 884 & 551 & 136 & 49 \\
584 & 1000 & 699 & 542 & 732 & 10 & 991 & 142 \\
1000 & 563 & 824 & 214 & 923 & 592 & 330 & 174 \\
496 & 731 & 875 & 888 & 696 & 864 & 915 & 914 \\
1 & 697 & 1000 & 269 & 436 & 1000 & 974 & 998 \\
\end{array}
\]

**Figure 12.** Parameter \( c_3 \) of the NIR-Raman-CARS-MKL-SVM.

\[ g_3 = \]

\[
\begin{array}{cccccccc}
87 & 913 & 1000 & 478 & 998 & 956 & 1000 & 769 \\
1000 & 1000 & 558 & 777 & 1000 & 88 & 710 & 1000 \\
661 & 900 & 1000 & 851 & 661 & 976 & 1000 & 239 \\
966 & 1000 & 1000 & 684 & 1000 & 1000 & 765 & 599 \\
783 & 820 & 581 & 1000 & 633 & 690 & 392 & 393 \\
937 & 102 & 418 & 788 & 969 & 476 & 942 & 943 \\
355 & 938 & 589 & 780 & 920 & 287 & 720 & 64 \\
307 & 1000 & 778 & 66 & 141 & 206 & 497 & 957 \\
904 & 368 & 353 & 56 & 345 & 799 & 770 & 780 \\
900 & 17 & 97 & 903 & 1000 & 910 & 603 & 468 \\
\end{array}
\]

**Figure 13.** Parameter \( g_3 \) of the NIR-Raman-CARS-MKL-SVM.
Figure 14. Parameter C4 of the NIR-Raman-DWT-MKL-SVM.

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\text{C4} =
\begin{array}{cccccccc}
25 & 118 & 728 & 22 & 208 & 4 & 274 & 111 \\
0 & 858 & 13 & 23 & 0 & 58 & 15 & 291 \\
20 & 28 & 118 & 30 & 367 & 1 & 47 & 39 \\
67 & 192 & 3 & 1000 & 5 & 26 & 232 & 5 \\
569 & 146 & 398 & 4 & 0 & 45 & 56 & 922 \\
11 & 113 & 968 & 672 & 37 & 452 & 28 & 35 \\
265 & 38 & 509 & 6 & 413 & 19 & 1000 & 767 \\
12 & 86 & 468 & 0 & 226 & 47 & 53 & 320 \\
2 & 41 & 41 & 11 & 0 & 17 & 4 & 9 \\
10 & 165 & 131 & 164 & 15 & 13 & 431 & 9
\end{array}
\]

Figure 15. Parameter g4 of the NIR-Raman-DWT-MKL-SVM.

Figure 16. Parameters optimization process of the NIR-MKL-SVM.
Figure 17. Parameters optimization process of the Raman-MKL-SVM.

Figure 18. Parameters optimization process of the CARS-MKL-SVM.

Figure 19. Parameters optimization process of the DWT-MKL-SVM.
Figure 20. Prediction results of the NIR-MKL-SVM.

Figure 21. Prediction results of the Raman-MKL-SVM.

Figure 22. Prediction results of the CARS-MKL-SVM.
As shown in Table 2 and Figures 16–23, the prediction models based on MKL-SVM had better classification performances, and the accuracy was up to 99.15%. In detail, the prediction performance of the NIR-based MKL-SVM classification model was better than that of the Raman-based one. And, the prediction performance of the spectra-fusion-based MKL-SVM classification model was better than that of the single-spectra-based one. It is shown that the fusion of multi-source spectral data can improve the performance of training models for the establishment of multi-kernel learning support vector machine classification models. As shown in Figures 8–15, those models with smaller parameters [C] and [g] had better prediction performances, higher stability, and greater generalization ability.

4. Conclusion
The classification models based on Raman and near infrared spectroscopy combined with the MKL-SVM method can fast identify the authenticity of edible vegetable oil. The highest accuracy of these models was up to 99.15%. The prediction accuracy of the spectra-fusion-based MKL-SVM model was higher than that of the single-spectra-based NIR-MKL-SVM and Raman-MKL-SVM models, indicating that the data fusion can effectively improve the performance of MKL-SVM. Between both spectra-fusion-based models, the wavelet-fusion-based DWT-MKL-SVM had the highest prediction accuracy, the smallest parameters, and greatest generalization ability.

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