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5.1 Conclusion

In this thesis, a multilevel feature selection approach (MLFS) and two semi-supervised machine learning approaches adaptation are proposed. MLFS integrates deep and active learning to select the best genes that will enhance the classification accuracy. The proposed feature selection approach was also extended to apply for miRNAs feature selection. The experimental results show that the proposed feature selection approach was able to outperform classical feature selection methods in terms of F1-measure by 9% in HCC, 6% in lung cancer and 10% in breast cancer. In addition, experimental results show the enhancement in F1-measure of our approach over recent related work in [1] and [2].

Also, in this thesis, two semi-supervised machine learning approaches were adapted to classify cancer subtypes based on miRNA and gene expression profiles. They both exploit the expression profiles of unlabeled samples to enrich the training data. The miRNA-gene relation is additionally used to enhance the classification in co-training. Both self-learning and co-training approaches improved the accuracy compared to Random Forests and SVM as baseline classifiers. The results show up to 20% improvement in F1-measure in breast cancer, 10% improvement in precision in metastatic HCC cancer and 3% improvement in F1-measure in squamous lung cancer. Co-Training also outperforms LDS approach by around 25% improvement in F1-measure for breast cancer.

5.2 Future Work

Our future work can be summarized in the following points:

- Integrate both MLFS feature selection method with cancer classifiers resulted from semi-supervised machine learning techniques (self-learning and co-training).
- Explore different mapping functions for mapping miRNA expression profiles to gene expression profiles and vice versa in the co-training approach.
- Explore different feature selection techniques to use with the DBN high level representations.
- Explore different active learning strategies other than the uncertainty sampling used in the MLFS approach.
- Integrate other biology relations like gene ontology and gene pathways.
- Explore Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP) effect on genes and miRNAs and how can this information be integrated to enhance cancer classifiers.

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ملخص الرسالة

اصبح تحسين مصنفات مرض السرطان مسالة ذات اهمية كبري في مجال المعلومات الحيوية . يمكن تحسين مصنفات مرض السرطان بطريقتين مختلفتين. الطريقة الاولي تكمن في تحسين اختيار الميزات المستخدمة مع مصنفات مرض السرطان بينما الطريقة الثانية تكمن في تحسين مصنفات مرض السرطان ذاتها. تقدم هذه الرسالة طريقة لاختيار الميزات بناء علي تعبير الحين و المايكروارنايه . تعتمد الطريقة المقدمة علي التصرف الجماعي للجينات بدلا من التصرف الفردي و ذلك لاختيار افضل الجينات و المايكروارنايز. كما تجمع الطريقة المقدمة بين التعليم العميق و التعليم النشط.

لم يتم استخدام البيانات المسماة و غير المسماة لتدريب مصنفات مرض السرطان من قبل في حالة وجود كلا من تعابير الجينات و المايكروارنايز . كما انه يوجد حافز للدمج بين تعابير الجينات و المايكروارنايز للحصول علي معلومات اكثر عن مرض السرطان. نقدم في هذه الرسالة اثنين من طرق التعلم شبه المشرف و هما التعلم الذاتي و التعلم المساعد لتحسين مصنفات مرض السرطان.

تظهر النتائج ان الطريقة المقدمة لاختيار الميزات تفوقت علي الطرق التقليدية . كذلك تم تقييم طرق التعلم شبه المشرف علي سرطان الثدي ، سرطان الكبد الوبائي و سرطان الرئة . اظهرت النتائج تحسن بمقدار ٢٠ % عن مصنفات مرض السرطان التقليدية.

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