

Convex optimization

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What this class is about

Goals of the class:

- taxonomy of ML optimization problems
- variety of algorithms to solve them
- pillars of optimisation
- regularisation and sparsity

Organization

6 lectures of 45 minutes:

- 1 Intuition: GD on OLS
- 2 General framework
- 3 Non-smooth optimization
- 4 Duality theory
- 5 Sparsity
- 6 Implicit regularization/bias

Additional exercises on my website (<https://mathurinm.github.io>)

Numerical illustrations in Python notebooks on my website

Resources

Books (PDFs available online):

- *First order methods in optimization*, A. Beck, 2017
- *Convex optimization, algorithms and complexity*, S. Bubeck, 2015
- *(Introductory) Lectures on convex optimization*, Y. Nesterov, 2003/2018

Code:

- Scipy lecture notes: <https://scipy-lectures.org/>

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