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Math Foundations of ML

Homework 3

Problem 1

In the last week we started by formalizing linear regression as an attempt to fit a function $f: \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ to a series of data points. We talked about needing to limit the search space of functions to a class of functions, often all linear functions. We can express this problem as a minimization of the sum of error between our functional approximation and the ground truth at each point. This is known as least-squares regression. We continued by discussing regression using nonlinear basis functions which has a similar formulation and then discussed some properties of the matrix A in $Ax = y$.

The invertibility of $A^T A$ and also the number of solutions to $Ax = y$ were key points. We showed that there is always at least one solution, but it is also possible that there are infinitely many. In this case we need an approach to picking just one solution which was the topic of the most recent class. We discussed the minimum energy principle as one approach, which simply takes the x s.t. $\|x\|$ is minimized. Another problem when there are infinitely many solutions is that the space of solutions is unbounded, so some solutions could have vectors of arbitrary size added and then change the function. The approach to this problem is similar to the choosing the minimum, but instead we change the problem to minimize $\|y - Ax\|_2^2 + \delta \|x\|_2^2$, where $\delta \geq 0$. This can approach is more flexible and can be used to weight the importance of the solution vector being small by changing δ .

Problem 2**a)**

Assume $z \neq 0$. Because $\langle z, \psi_n \rangle = 0$, z is orthogonal to $\{\psi_n\}$ and therefore linearly independent from $\{\psi_n\}$. Since z is linearly independent and $\neq 0$, it cannot be written as a linear combination of $\{\psi_n\}$, meaning it is outside the $\text{span}\{\psi_n\} = T$. This is a contradiction because we know that $z \in T$, so $z = 0$.

b)

Assume $Gx = 0$ for some $x \neq 0$. We know that $G = A^T A$, where $A = [\psi_1, \psi_2, \dots, \psi_n]$ and ψ_n are linearly independent. So we have $A^T Ax = 0 \rightarrow A^T Ax = A^T x'$, where $x' = Ax$. In part a, we showed that $Ax = 0$ iff $x = 0$ which implies that $A^T x = 0$ iff $x = 0$ so $x' = 0$. This implies that $x = 0$ proving that G is invertible.

Alternativley, in the notes we saw that $\text{Null}(A^T A) = \text{Null}(A)$. Again, from part a, we have shown that the $\text{Null}(A)$ is 0 ($Ax = 0$ iff $x = 0$) and we know that $G = A^T A$, so $\text{Null}(G) = 0$. This implies G is also invertible.

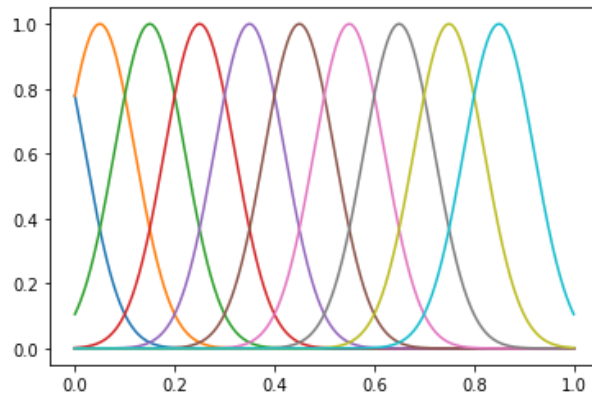
Problem 3

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In [2]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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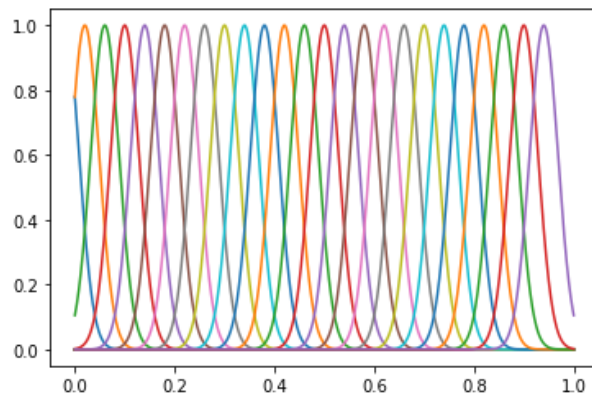
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In [3]: def plot_basis(N):
    phi = lambda z: np.exp(-z**2)
    t = np.linspace(0,1,1000)

    plt.figure(1)
    plt.clf()
    for kk in range(N):
        plt.plot(t, phi(N*t - kk + 0.5))
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In [4]: plot_basis(10)
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In [5]: plot_basis(25)
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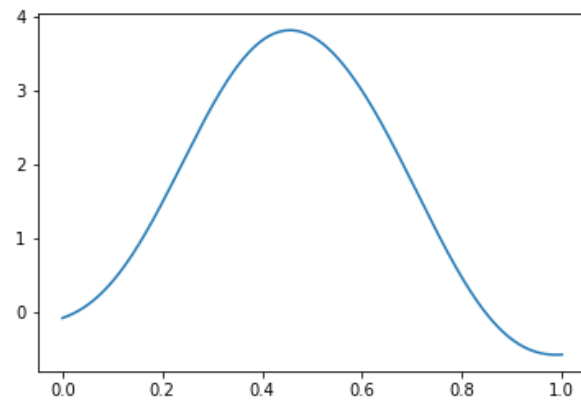


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In [27]: def plot_function(a, N):
    phi = lambda z: np.exp(-z**2)
    t = np.linspace(0,1,1000)
    y = np.zeros(1000)

    for jj in range(1, N+1):
        y = y+a[jj-1]*phi(N*t - jj + 0.5)

    plt.figure()
    plt.plot(t,y)
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In [28]: `plot_function([-0.5, 3, 2, -1], 4)`



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In [33]: # Part C
import scipy.integrate as integrate

def solve_closest_point(N):
    phi = lambda z: np.exp(-z**2)
    x = lambda z: (z < .25)*(4*z) + (z >= 0.25)*(z < 0.5)*(-4*z+2) - (z >= 0.5)*np.sin(14*np.pi*z)
    gram_matrix = np.zeros((N,N))
    gram_vector = np.zeros((N,1))

    for i in range(N):
        for j in range(N):
            matrix_elem = lambda z: phi(N*z - i + 0.5)*phi(N*z - j + 0.5)
            gram_matrix[i][j] = integrate.quad(matrix_elem, 0, 1)[0]

    for i in range(N):
        vector_elem = lambda z: x(z)*phi(N*z - i + 0.5)
        gram_vector[i] = integrate.quad(vector_elem, 0, 1)[0]

    alphas = np.matmul(np.linalg.inv(gram_matrix), gram_vector)

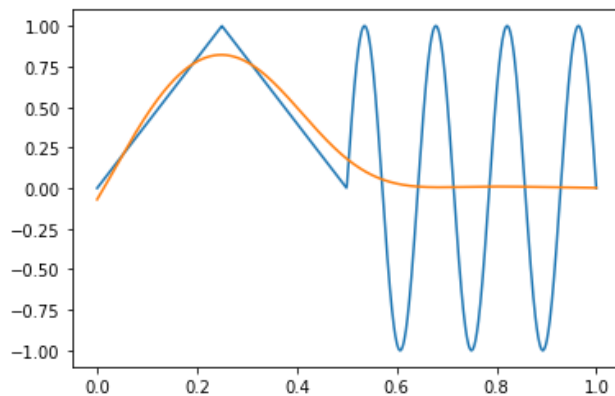
    test_x = np.linspace(0, 1, 1000)
    test_y = [x(point) for point in test_x]

    function_x = np.linspace(0,1,1000)
    function_y = [sum([alphas[i]*phi(N*t - i + 0.5) for i in range(N)]) for t in function_x]

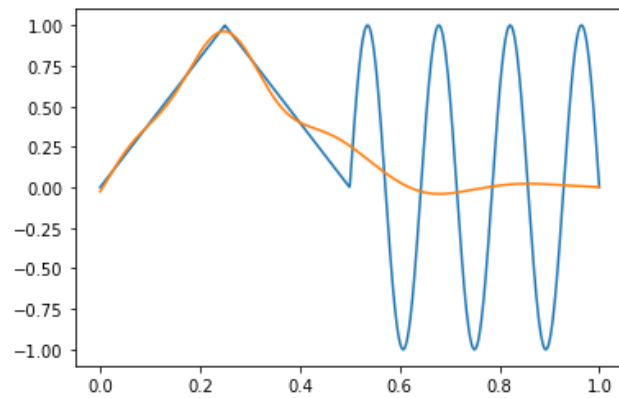
    plt.plot(test_x, test_y)
    plt.plot(function_x, function_y)

solve_closest_point(5)

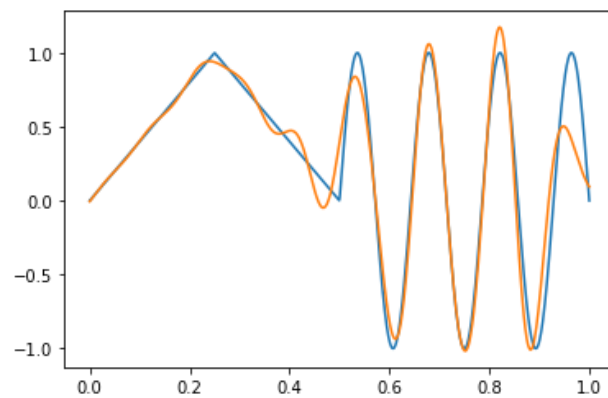
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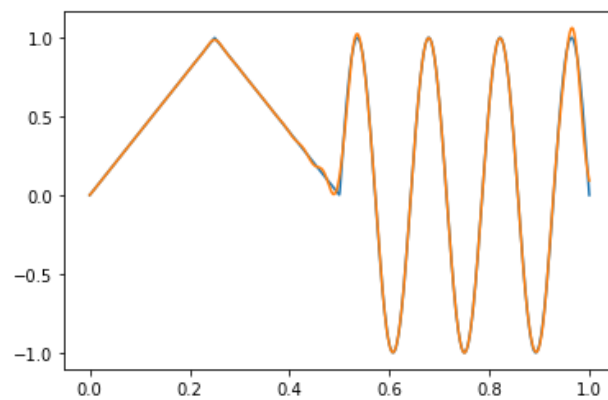
In [34]: `solve_closest_point(10)`



In [35]: `solve_closest_point(20)`



In [36]: `solve_closest_point(50)`



Problem 4

a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u_2\| &= \|v_2 - \sum_{i=1}^1 \langle v_2, \psi_1 \rangle \psi_1\| \\
&= \|v_2 - \langle v_2, \psi_1 \rangle \psi_1\| \\
&= \|v_2 - \langle v_2, \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} \rangle \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|}\| \\
&= \|v_2 - \alpha v_1\|, \text{ where } \alpha = \langle v_2, \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

Since by the definition of linear independence v_2 cannot be written as αv_1 , we can say that $v_2 \neq \alpha v_1$ so, $v_2 - \alpha v_1 \neq 0$.

b)

Proof for span:

$$\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} = av_1 + bv_2$$

$$\text{span}\{\psi_1, \psi_2\} = a'\psi_1 + b'\psi_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{a}{\|v_1\|} v_1 + \frac{b}{\|u_2\|} u_2 \\
&= \frac{a}{\|v_1\|} v_1 + \frac{b}{\|u_2\|} (v_2 - \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle v_1) \\
&= \frac{a}{\|v_1\|} v_1 + \frac{b}{\|u_2\|} v_2 - \frac{b\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle}{\|u_2\|} v_1 \\
&= \left(\frac{a}{\|v_1\|} - \frac{b\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle}{\|u_2\|} \right) v_1 + \frac{b}{\|u_2\|} v_2
\end{aligned}$$

This is equivalent to the $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} = av_1 + bv_2$, where $a = \frac{a}{\|v_1\|} - \frac{b\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle}{\|u_2\|}$ and $b = \frac{b}{\|u_2\|}$.

Proof for orthogonality:

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \psi_1, \psi_2 \rangle &= \langle a, b - \text{proj}_a b \rangle, \text{ where } a = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} \text{ and } b = \frac{v_2}{\|u_2\|} \\
&= a * (b - \text{proj}_a b) \\
&= a * b - a * \text{proj}_a b \\
&= a * b - a * \left(\frac{a * b}{|a|^2} a \right) \\
&= a * b - \left(\frac{a * b}{|a|^2} |a|^2 \right) \\
&= a * b - a * b = 0. \\
\langle \psi_1, \psi_2 \rangle &= 0 \rightarrow \psi_1 \text{ and } \psi_2 \text{ are orthogonal.}
\end{aligned}$$

Proof for normality:

$$||\psi_i|| = \sqrt{\langle \psi_i, \psi_i \rangle}$$

$$\langle \psi_1, \psi_1 \rangle = ||\psi_1|| ||\psi_1|| \cos(0)$$

$$= 1 * 1 * 1 = 1.$$

$$||\psi_1|| = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

$$\langle \psi_2, \psi_2 \rangle = ||\psi_2|| ||\psi_2|| \cos(0)$$

$$= ||\frac{u_2}{||u_2||}|| ||\frac{u_2}{||u_2||}|| \cos(0)$$

$$= 1 * 1 * 1$$

$$||\psi_2|| = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

c)

Inductive proof for span:

Base Case: $\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\} = \text{Span}\{\psi_1, \psi_2\}$ from part b.

Induction Hypothesis: $\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = \text{Span}\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k\}$

Now prove for k+1...

$$\text{Span}\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k\} = \alpha_1 \psi_1 + \dots + \alpha_{k+1} \psi_{k+1}$$

$$= (\alpha_1 \psi_1 + \dots + \alpha_k \psi_k) + \frac{\alpha_{k+1}}{||u_{k+1}||} v_{k+1} - \sum_{l=1}^k \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_l \rangle \psi_l$$

$$= \alpha_1 \psi_1 + \dots + \alpha_k \psi_k + \frac{\alpha_{k+1}}{||u_{k+1}||} v_{k+1} - (b_1 \psi_1 + \dots + b_k \psi_k), b_l = \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_l \rangle$$

$$= (\alpha_1 - b_1) \psi_1 + \dots + (\alpha_k - b_k) \psi_k + \frac{\alpha_{k+1}}{||u_{k+1}||} v_{k+1}$$

$$= \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} + \frac{\alpha_{k+1}}{||u_{k+1}||} v_{k+1}$$

$$= \text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_{k+1}\}$$

Inductive proof for orthogonality:

Base Case ψ_1 is orthogonal to ψ_2 from part b.

Induction Hypothesis: $\{\psi_k\}$ is all orthogonal for $1 \dots k$

Since we assume $\{\psi_k\}$ is all orthogonal for $1 \dots k$, we only need to show ψ_{k+1} is orthogonal to all of $\{\psi_k\}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \langle \psi_{k+1}, \psi_i \rangle \quad \forall i \in 1 \dots k \\
 &= \frac{1}{\|\psi_{k+1}\|} \langle v_{k+1} - \sum_{l=1}^k \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_l \rangle \psi_l, \psi_i \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\|\psi_{k+1}\|} \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_i \rangle - \sum_{l=1}^k \langle \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_l \rangle \psi_l, \psi_i \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\|\psi_{k+1}\|} \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_i \rangle - \sum_{l=1, l \neq i}^k \langle \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_l \rangle \psi_l, \psi_i \rangle - \langle \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_i \rangle \psi_i, \psi_i \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\|\psi_{k+1}\|} \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_i \rangle - \sum_{l=1, l \neq i}^k \langle \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_l \rangle \psi_l, \psi_i \rangle - \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_i \rangle * 1 \\
 &= \sum_{l=1, l \neq i}^k \langle \langle v_{k+1}, \psi_l \rangle \psi_l, \psi_i \rangle \\
 &= 0, \text{ since we are summing } \langle \alpha \psi_i, \psi_j \rangle, \text{ where } i \neq j.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof that $u_k \neq 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_k &= v_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \langle v_k, \psi_i \rangle \psi_i \\
 &= v_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \alpha_i \psi_i
 \end{aligned}$$

Using our proof above of $\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = \text{Span}\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k\}$, we can say...

$$u_k = v_k - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \alpha_i v_i$$

Then with a similar argument to part a, we can say that because $v_k \neq \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \alpha_i v_i$, which is true because by definition it cannot be written as a linear combination of other $\{v_k\}$, then $u_k \neq 0$. This also implies that $\|u_k\| \neq 0$.

Proof for normality:

We know from above that $u_k \forall k \neq 0$. Since $\psi_k = \frac{u_k}{\|u_k\|}$, we can comfortably say that $\|\psi_k\| = 1$.

Problem 5

a)

Proof for orthogonality:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v_{k,l}(s,t), v_{m,n}(s,t) \rangle &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_l(t) \psi_m(s) \psi_n(t) ds dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_m(s) ds * \int_0^1 \psi_l(t) \psi_n(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

It is given that $\{\psi_k(t), k \geq 0\}$ is an orthobasis so $\int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_m(s) ds = 0$ and $\int_0^1 \psi_l(t) \psi_n(t) dt = 0$.

$$= \int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_m(s) ds * \int_0^1 \psi_l(t) \psi_n(t) dt = 0$$

Proof for normality:

$$\begin{aligned} \|v_{k,l}(s,t)\| &= \sqrt{\langle v_{k,l}(s,t), v_{k,l}(s,t) \rangle} \\ \langle v_{k,l}(s,t), v_{k,l}(s,t) \rangle &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_l(t) \psi_k(s) \psi_l(t) ds dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_k(s) ds * \int_0^1 \psi_l(t) \psi_l(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

It is given that $\{\psi_k(t), k \geq 0\}$ is an orthobasis so $\int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_k(s) ds = 1$ and $\int_0^1 \psi_l(t) \psi_l(t) dt = 1$.

$$= \int_0^1 \psi_k(s) \psi_m(s) ds * \int_0^1 \psi_l(t) \psi_n(t) dt = 1$$

$$\|v_{k,l}(s,t)\| = \sqrt{1} = 1$$

Proof for span:

$$x(s,t) = \sum_{k,l} \alpha_{k,l} v_{k,l}(s,t) = \sum_{k,l} \alpha_{k,l} \psi_k(s) \psi_l(t)$$

If we fix one value of $s=s_0$, we get...

$$x(s_0, t) = \sum_k \psi_k(s_0) \sum_l \alpha_{k,l} \psi_l(t)$$

Since $\psi_k(s_0)$ is a function of a fixed value it becomes a constant. So the entire sum can be represented as a sum of constants multiplied by basis functions, in this case in terms of t .

If we fix one value of $t=t_0$, we get...

$$x(s, t_0) = \sum_l \psi_l(t_0) \sum_k \alpha_{k,l} \psi_k(s)$$

Similarly to above, $\psi_k(t_0)$ is a function of a fixed value it becomes a constant. So the entire sum can be represented as a sum of constants multiplied by basis functions, in this case in terms of s .

This means that for any fixed value of s or t , we have a basis in the t and s dimensions respectively. This means that we can represent a function in s and any other function in t at the same time, implying that $v_{k,l}(s,t)$ is an orthobasis for $L_2([0, 1]^2)$.

b)

In part a, we argued that an orthobasis for $L_2([0, 1]^2)$ is created by multiplying two basis vectors for $L_2([0, 1])$. We can this as an inductive step and generalize as we create an orthobasis for $L_2([0, 1]^D)$ by multiplying D basis vectors for $L_2([0, 1])$.