

1 Q1

$$\begin{aligned}
L(z) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \|x^{(i)} - z\|^2 \\
\frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} \|x^{(i)} - z\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} (x_1^{(i)} - z_1)^2 + \dots + \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} (x_j^{(i)} - z_j)^2 + \dots \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n 0 + 2(x_j^{(i)} - z_j)(-1) + 0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_j^{(i)} - z_j \\
&= \nabla = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_d} \end{bmatrix} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} - z
\end{aligned}$$

Solve for gradient = 0 (and cancel the -2):

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} - \sum_{i=1}^n z &= 0 \\
\sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n z = nz \\
z &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)}}{n}
\end{aligned}$$

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2.1 a

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_j} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \left[(w \cdot x^{(i)}) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \frac{1}{2} c \|w\|^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_j^{(i)} + c w_j \\ \nabla L(w) &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_d} \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} + c w\end{aligned}$$

2.2 b

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla L(w) &= \sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} + c w = 0 \\ c w &= - \sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} \\ w &= -\frac{1}{c} \sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)}\end{aligned}$$

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3.1 a

$$\nabla L(w) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2w_1 + 2 \\ 4w_2 - 4 \\ 2w_3 - 2w_4 \\ 2w_4 - 2w_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

3.2 b

$$w_{t+1} = w_t - \eta \nabla L(w_t)$$

$$w_{t+1} = 0 - \eta \nabla L(0)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3.3 c

$$\nabla L(w) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2w_1 + 2 \\ 4w_2 - 4 \\ 2w_3 - 2w_4 \\ 2w_4 - 2w_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$w_1 = -1, w_2 = 1, w_3 = w_4$$

$$L((-1, 1, x, x)) = 1 + 2 + x^2 - 2x^2 + x^2 + 2(-1) - 4 + 4$$

$$L((-1, 1, x, x)) = 1$$

Minimum Value = 1

3.4 d

There is not a unique solution. A solution exists for all $w = (-1, 1, x, x)$.

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4.1 a

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_j} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \left[y^{(i)} - w \cdot x^{(i)} \right]^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \lambda \|w\|^2 \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n -2 \left[y^{(i)} - w \cdot x^{(i)} \right] x_j^{(i)} + 2\lambda w_j \\
 \nabla L(w) &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_d} \end{bmatrix} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left[y^{(i)} - w \cdot x^{(i)} \right] x^{(i)} + 2\lambda w
 \end{aligned}$$

4.2 b

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{t+1} &= w_t - \eta_t \nabla L(w_t) \\
 w_{t+1} &= w_t - \eta_t \left\{ -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left[y^{(i)} - w \cdot x^{(i)} \right] x^{(i)} + 2\lambda w \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

4.3 c

Update Equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_{t+1} &= w_t - \eta_t \nabla l(w_t; x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \\
 w_{t+1} &= w_t - \eta_t \left\{ -2 \left[y^{(i)} - w \cdot x^{(i)} \right] x^{(i)} + 2\lambda w \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm:

$w_0 = 0$

Cycle through points $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$ until some stopping condition:

- $w_{t+1} = w_t - \eta_t \left\{ -2 \left[y^{(i)} - w_t \cdot x^{(i)} \right] x^{(i)} + 2\lambda w_t \right\}$

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5.1 a

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = 2 \geq 0, \text{ convex.}$$

5.2 b

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = -2 \leq 0, \text{ concave.}$$

5.3 c

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = 2 \geq 0, \text{ convex.}$$

5.4 d

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = 0 = 0, \text{ both.}$$

5.5 e

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = 6x, \text{ hessian can change signs, neither.}$$

5.6 f

$$\nabla^2 f(x) = 12x^2 \geq 0, \text{ convex.}$$

5.7 g

$$\nabla f(x) = \frac{1}{x} = x^{-1}, \nabla^2 f(x) = -x^{-2} \leq 0, \text{ concave.}$$

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6.1 a

For my coordinate descent method, I will repeatedly call a routine until the gradient magnitude is less than a certain threshold. For this routine:

- (1) Initialize the weight vector to a d -dimensional vector sampled from a standard normal (seeded for reproducibility)
- (2) while the gradient magnitude is greater than a certain value:
 - (3) Compute the gradient
 - (4) (i) Pick the coordinate with the largest absolute value. This, intuitively, is the component-direction of steepest ascent (and thus the negative is the direction of steepest descent)
 - (5) (ii) Update this coordinate by the magnitude of the gradient. Thus, when the model is close to optimized, the step size will naturally decrease in the corresponding direction.
 $w[\text{idx}] = w[\text{idx}] - \eta * \text{sign}(\nabla[\text{idx}]) * \text{norm}(\nabla)$

Because this method depends on the gradient, the function must be defined and differentiable at every point in R^d .

6.2 b