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- In all other cases (i.e., when $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \inf_k \frac{r_{k+1}}{r_k} < 1 \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup_k \frac{r_{k+1}}{r_k}$) we cannot claim anything concrete about the convergence rate $\{r_k\}_{k=m}^{\infty}$.

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Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, and let $q := \min\{m, n\}$. Show that

$$\|A\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^q \sigma_i^2(A),$$

where $\sigma_1(A) \geq \dots \geq \sigma_q(A) \geq 0$ are the singular values of matrix A . Hint: use the connection between Frobenius norm and scalar product and SVD.

Problem 3. Know your inner product.

Simplify the following expression:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \langle S^{-1} a_i, a_i \rangle,$$

where $S = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i a_i^T$, $a_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\det(S) \neq 0$

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Problem 5. One test is simpler, than another

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Problem 6. Super but not quadratic.

Show, that the following sequence does not have a quadratic convergence.

$$r_k = \frac{1}{3^{k^2}}$$

LoRA: Low-Rank Adaptation of Large Language Models (arXiv:2106.09685)

Since current LLMs are too big to fit into the memory of the average user, we need to use some tricks to make them smaller. One of the most popular tricks is LoRA (Low-Rank Adaptation of Large Language Models).

Suppose we have matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times k}$ and we want to perform the following update:

$$W = W_0 + \Delta W.$$

The main idea of LoRA is to decompose the update ΔW into two low-rank matrices:

$$W = W_0 + \Delta W = W_0 + BA, \quad B \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}, A \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times k}, \\ \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B) = r \ll \min\{d, k\}.$$

Check the 📓 notebook for the example implementation of LoRA.



Figure 2: Illustration of LoRA