# PS3-transfer-learning-handout

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### 1 CS7180 Problem Set 3: Transfer Learning for linear regression

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[21]: import numpy as np
  from numpy.linalg import inv, norm
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

np.random.seed(0)
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The default parameter setting

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[22]: ## parameters
p = 100
n_1 = 200
n_2 = 200

epochs = 500
lr = 0.001
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#### 1.1 Implement the transfer learning task

First, generate the parameters  $\beta_1$ , and  $\beta_2 = \beta_1 + \delta \cdot \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ . Then the features  $X_1, X_2$  from the standard normal distribution  $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$ 

Also generate the error terms  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2$  from  $\sigma_i \cdot \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ , and  $Y_1, Y_2$  from  $Y_i = X_i\beta_i + \varepsilon_i$ 

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[31]: def generate_params(p, n_1, n_2, sigma_1, sigma_2, delta):
    # GENERATE DATA HERE ####

# task 1
beta_1 = np.random.normal(0, 1, (p, 1))

X_1 = np.random.normal(0, 1, (n_1, p))
epsilon_1 = sigma_1 * np.random.normal(0, 1, (n_1, 1))
Y_1 = X_1 @ beta_1 + epsilon_1

# task 2
beta_2 = beta_1 + delta * np.random.normal(0, 1, (p, 1))
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X_2 = np.random.normal(0, 1, (n_2, p))
epsilon_2 = sigma_2 * np.random.normal(0, 1, (n_2, 1))
Y_2 = X_2 @ beta_2 + epsilon_2
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return (X_1, Y_1, X_2, Y_2, beta_2)
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Implement gradient descent, using  $w_0 = \hat{\beta}_1 = (X_1^\top X_1)^{-1} X_1^\top Y_1$  as initialization. Save the loss for each step, defined by  $||w_t - \beta_2||^2$ .

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[45]: def gradient_descent(params, epochs, lr):
    # unpack features, labels, parameters
    X_1, Y_1, X_2, Y_2, beta_2 = params
    list_dist = []

# YOUR CODE HERE ####

beta1 = np.matmul(np.linalg.inv(np.transpose(X_1).dot(X_1)), np.
    transpose(X_1).dot(Y_1))

for epoch in range(epochs):
    error2 = X_2.dot(beta1)-Y_2
    gd = np.dot(np.transpose(X_2), (X_2.dot(beta1) - Y_2))
    beta1 = beta1 - lr*gd
    list_dist.append(norm(beta1 - beta_2))

return list_dist
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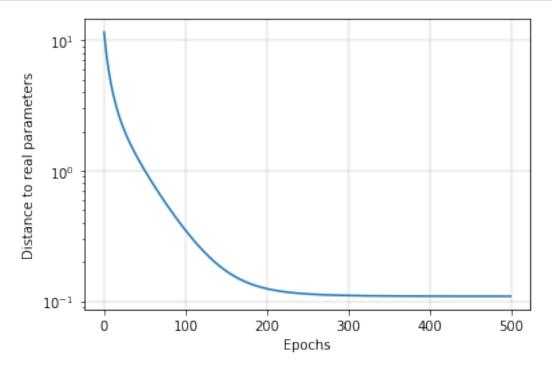
## 1.2 Plot $||w_t - \beta_2||^2$ versus t.

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[41]: def plot_dist(list_dist):
    # plot
    plt.xlabel('Epochs')
    plt.ylabel('Distance to real parameters')
    plt.grid(lw=0.4)
    plt.yscale('log')
    plt.plot(np.arange(len(list_dist)), list_dist)
    plt.show()
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#### 1.3 Try different sets of parameters. Observe the shapes for the loss curve

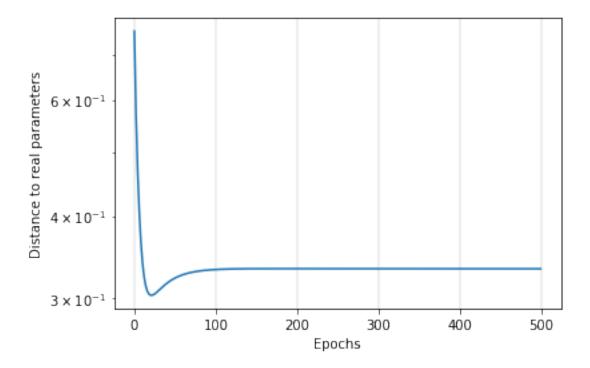
Refer to the problem description for suggested parameter settings

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[46]: params = generate_params(p=100, n_1=200, n_2=200, sigma_1=0.1, sigma_2=0.1, delta=1.5)
dist = gradient_descent(params, epochs, lr)
plot_dist(dist)
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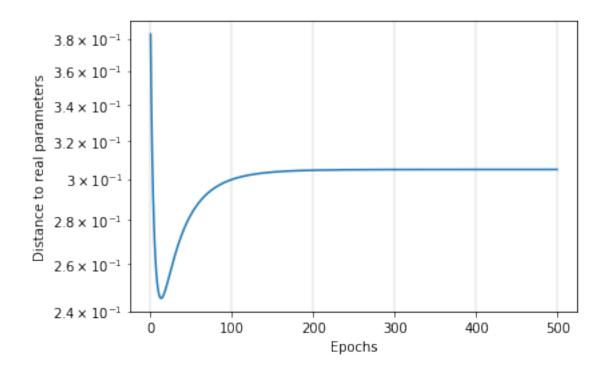
This graph shows that the loss is high for greater delta value, and it ceases after a long trainging.

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[47]: params = generate_params(p=100, n_1=200, n_2=200, sigma_1 = 0.1, sigma_2 = 0.3, delta = 0.1)
dist = gradient_descent(params, epochs, lr)
plot_dist(dist)
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This graph represents that the loss is considerably less for delta = 0.1, so the loss decreases with decrease in the hyper-parameter "Delta". Also the model converges and finds minimum optimum after training for some time and not as late as previous graph.

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[48]: params = generate_params(p=100, n_1=200, n_2=200, sigma_1 = 0.1, sigma_2 = 0.3, delta = 0.05)
dist = gradient_descent(params, epochs, lr)
plot_dist(dist)
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Similarly, with further decrese in delta, it is observed that the loss can even go down but eventually comes back to the local minimum. So delta = 0.05 can be the optimal value.