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1 Proof of Theory 2

The algorithm updates model whenever adaptive margin is less than 0 ($Z_t = 1$). If there is no update, $\mathbf{U}_t = \mathbf{U}_{t-1}$ yields $\inf_{\mathbf{U}} G_t(\mathbf{U}) = \inf_{\mathbf{U}} G_{t-1}(\mathbf{U})$. Inspired by the proof in [2], we have

$$\inf_{\mathbf{U}} G_t(\mathbf{U}) - \inf_{\mathbf{U}} G_{t-1}(\mathbf{U}) = Z_t \left(\ell_t(alg) - a_t^2 \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t + a_t - 1 \right),$$

holds for all trial t. Summing over $t = 1, \ldots, T$ with $\|\mathbf{y}_t\|^2 = 1$, we obtain with expanding the square,

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{Z}} (a_t \|\mathbf{y}_t\|^2 - 2\mathbf{y}_t \cdot \mathbf{f}_t - a_t^2 \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t + \|\mathbf{f}_t\|^2)$$

$$= \inf_{\mathbf{U}} (b\|\mathbf{U}\|^2 + L_T^{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{U})) - (\inf_{\mathbf{U}} (b\|\mathbf{U}\|^2 + L_0^{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{U})))$$

$$\leq \sum_{t \in \mathcal{Z}} a_t (\|\mathbf{y}_t\|^2 - 2\mathbf{y}_t \cdot \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_t) + \mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{U}^\top (b\mathbf{I} + \sum_{t \in \mathcal{Z}} a_t \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_t^\top) \mathbf{U}).$$

Assume that $\mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{Z}} = b\mathbf{I} + \sum_{t=1}^{T} a_t \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_t^\top$, and $\sigma_t = \frac{1}{2} a_t^2 \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t$ we obtain,

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{Z}} (-\mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t - \sigma_t) \leq -\sum_{t \in \mathcal{Z}} a_t \mathbf{y}_t \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_t + \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{Z}} \mathbf{U}),$$

where we omit $\|\mathbf{f}_t\|^2$ since it does not affect the bound. We add $\sum_t a_t$ on both sides with $a_t = \frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t} > 1$,

$$\sum_t (1 - \mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t - \sigma_t) \leq \sum_t (a_t - \mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t - \sigma_t)$$

$$\leq \sum_t a_t (1 - \mathbf{y}_t \cdot \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_t) + \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{Z}} \mathbf{U}) \leq \sum_t a_t \tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbf{y}_t \cdot \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_t) + \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{A}_{\mathcal{Z}} \mathbf{U}),$$

where the last inequality holds due to hinge loss $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}(x) = \max(0, 1 - x) \geq 1 - x$. There are two types of update trials: (I) when an error occurs, i.e., $t \in \mathcal{M}$ and $-\mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t \geq 0$,

$$\sum_t (1 - \mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t - \sigma_t) \geq M - \sum_{t \in \mathcal{M}} \sigma_t;$$

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and (II) when no error occurs, i.e. $t \in \mathcal{D}$ and $0 \leq \mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t \leq \sigma_t \Rightarrow -\mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t + \sigma_t \geq 0$,

$$\sum_t (1 - \mathbf{f}_t \mathbf{y}_t + \sigma_t - 2\sigma_t) \geq D - 2 \sum_{t \in \mathcal{D}} \sigma_t.$$

Combining two cases with the inequality $\sum_{t=1}^{T} \sigma_t \leq \frac{b}{2(b-1)} \ln(\frac{1}{b} \mathbf{A}_T)$ inspired by [3], we finish the proof. $\square$

2 Proof of Theory 3

From the update rule that

$$\mathbf{B}_t = \mathbf{B}_{t-1} + a_t \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{y}_t^\top \quad \mathbf{A}_t = \mathbf{A}_{t-1} + a_t \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_t^\top,$$

or $\mathbf{A}_t^{-1} = \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}$ according to Woodbury identity, we can infer the following two equations using an annotation $\mathcal{D}_t(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}) = \|\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{V}\|_{\mathbf{A}_t}^2$,

$$a_t \left(\|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{W}_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 - \|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 \right) = \mathcal{D}_{t-1}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{W}_{t-1}) - \mathcal{D}_t(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{W}_t) + \mathcal{D}_t(\mathbf{W}_{t-1}, \mathbf{W}_t), \tag{1}$$

$$a_t^2 \|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{W}_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t = \mathcal{D}_t(\mathbf{W}_{t-1}, \mathbf{W}_t). \tag{2}$$

Assume that $\ell_t = \|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{W}_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 \leq r$ and $a_t = \frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t} \leq \frac{b}{b-1}$ for any $t \in [T]$, the cumulative sum of Eq. (2) can be bounded,

$$\sum_t \mathcal{D}_t(\mathbf{W}_{t-1}, \mathbf{W}_t) = \sum_t a_t^2 \|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{W}_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t$$

$$\leq \frac{rb}{b-1} \sum_t a_t \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t \leq \frac{rb}{b-1} \sum_t \ln \frac{|\mathbf{A}_t|}{|\mathbf{A}_t - a_t \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_t^\top|} \tag{3}$$

$$= \frac{rb}{b-1} \ln |\frac{1}{b} \mathbf{A}_T|,$$

where the last inequality is similar to the proof of Theorem 5 in [3]. Equipped with the bound (3), the cumulative sum of Eq. (1) can be bounded

$$\sum_{t=1}^{t-1} a_t \left(\|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{W}_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 - \|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 \right) \leq \mathcal{D}_0(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{0}) - \mathcal{D}_{t-1}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{W}_{t-1}) + \frac{rb}{b-1} \ln |\frac{1}{b} \mathbf{A}_T|. \tag{4}$$

According to the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality (dual norms), we have

$$\|\hat{\Delta}_t - \Delta_t\|^2 = \|(\mathbf{W}_{t-1}^\top - \mathbf{U}^\top) \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 \leq 2 \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1} \mathbf{x}_t \mathcal{D}_{t-1}(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{W}_{t-1}). \tag{5}$$

In addition, we can infer according to the proof of Lemma 2 to Lemma 5 in [1],

$$\sum_{t=1}^{t-1} a_t \left(\|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{W}_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 - \|\mathbf{y}_t - \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_t\|^2 \right) \geq -36 \log \frac{t+4}{\delta} \tag{6}$$

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holds with probability at least $1 - \delta$ over the t rounds. Substituting Eq. (4)-Eq. (6), we obtain for any $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times K}$,

$$\|\hat{\Delta}_t - \Delta_t\|^2 \leq 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t \left(b\|\mathbf{U}\|_F^2 + \frac{rb}{b-1} \ln |\frac{1}{b}\mathbf{A}_T| + 36 \log \frac{t+4}{\delta} \right) \quad (7)$$

hold with probability at least $1 - \delta$ over the t rounds.

Since $\mathbf{A}_t^{-1} \preceq \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}$, we have $\mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t \leq \ldots \leq \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_0^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t = \frac{1}{b}\|\mathbf{x}_t\|^2$. Assume that $\|\mathbf{x}_t\| \leq 1$, we infer that $0 \leq \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t \leq 1/b$ $(b > 1)$. Thus,

$$1 - \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t \geq 1 - \frac{1}{b} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{b}{b-1}(1 - \mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t) \geq 1.$$

Multiplying $\mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t$ on both sides, we obtain

$$\mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t \leq \frac{b}{b-1}\mathbf{x}_t^\top (\mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t\mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_{t-1}^{-1})\mathbf{x}_t = \frac{b}{b-1}\mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t. \quad (8)$$

Substituting Eq. (8) into Eq. (7), we obtain with $\sigma_t = \frac{1}{2}a_t^2\mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t$,

$$\|\hat{\Delta}_t - \Delta_t\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(\frac{b}{b-1})^2\mathbf{x}_t^\top \mathbf{A}_t^{-1}\mathbf{x}_t \left(4(b-1)\|\mathbf{U}\|_F^2 + 4r \ln |\frac{1}{b}\mathbf{A}_T| + 144 \log \frac{t+4}{\delta} \right)$$

$$\leq \sigma_t(\frac{b}{b-1})^2 \left(4(b-1)\|\mathbf{U}\|_F^2 + 4r \ln |\frac{1}{b}\mathbf{A}_T| + 144 \log \frac{t+4}{\delta} \right),$$

where the last inequality is due to $a_t \geq 1$. We assume that

$$\varphi_t^2 = (\frac{b}{b-1})^2 \left(4(b-1)\|\mathbf{U}\|_F^2 + 4r \ln |\frac{1}{b}\mathbf{A}_T| + 144 \log \frac{t+4}{\delta} \right), \quad (9)$$

and bound the cumulative sum of σ_t,

$$\sum_{s=1}^{t-1} \sigma_t = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{s=1}^{t-1} a_s^2\mathbf{x}_s^\top \mathbf{A}_s^{-1}\mathbf{x}_s \leq \frac{b}{2(b-1)} \ln |\frac{1}{b}\mathbf{A}_T| \leq \frac{b}{2(b-1)}Kn \log(1 + \frac{T}{Knb}).$$

Assume that

$$H_1 = 2(b-1)\|\mathbf{U}\|_F^2 + 72 \log \frac{t+4}{\delta}, \quad H_2 = 2Knr \log(1 + \frac{T}{Knb})$$

we have that

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} \varphi_t^2\sigma_t \leq 2(H_1 + H_2)\sum_{t=1}^{T} \sigma_t \leq (\frac{b}{b-1})^3(H_1 + H_2)H_2. \quad (10)$$

with probability at least $1 - \delta$ over T rounds. Since $\sum_{t=1}^T A_t^2 \leq M$ implies

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$\sum_{t=1}^{T} A_t \leq \sqrt{TM}$, we obtain

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} (\mathbb{P}_t(y_t \neq \hat{y}_t) - \mathbb{P}_t(y_t \neq y_t^*)) \leq \sum_{t=1}^{T} |\Delta_t - \hat{\Delta}_t|$$

$$= \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sqrt{\varphi_t^2 \sigma_t} \leq \sqrt{(\frac{b}{b-1})^3 T} \sqrt{H_1 H_2 + H_2^2} \qquad (11)$$

$$\leq \sqrt{(\frac{b}{b-1})^3 T} (\sqrt{H_1 H_2} + H_2),$$

where the last inequality holds due to $\sqrt{A+B} \leq \sqrt{A} + \sqrt{B}$.

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