# An Implementation of General Fused Lasso

Based on - Graph -Structured Multi-task Regression and Efficient Optimization Method for General Fused Lasso;

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#### Abstract

This project work aims to implement a **structured regularized regression** approach called graph-guided fused lasso (GFLasso) to **solve sparse multi-task learning problems**. The project implements an efficient algorithm called Proximal Gradient method required to solve the GFLasso optimization. The GFLasso regularization approach and the corresponding Proximal Gradient optimization algorithm is implemented on synthetically generated data. We then reported our results based on our implementation.

# 1. Introduction

Multi-task learning is a technique of learning multiple tasks **jointly** by analyzing data from all the tasks at the **same** time instead of analyzing it individually per task. This is a very helpful technique especially in cases when data is scarce – as we can borrow data from other related tasks to learn each task more effectively.

In general, while solving a lot of multi-task learning problems, tasks are assumed to be equally related to inputs without any structure and in all such cases, a mixed-norm regularization such as  $\ell_1/\ell_2$  and  $\ell_1/\ell_\infty$ [Appendix A3] multi-task regression has been used to find inputs relevant to all of the outputs jointly [1, 2]. But in many real-world multitask problems, the outputs are related in a more complex structure. In such cases, we need a new strategy that takes advantage of the structure of the output responses. This strategy is defined as follows -

**Structured multi-task regression** is a regression approach in which the output consists of multiple responses and the output structure is available in the form of a graph. These correlated response variables are dependent on a common set of inputs in a **sparse** but synergistic manner. Some common examples of such multi-task regression problems are

- (a) In neuroscience application to predict neural activities (outputs) in brain in response to words (inputs). Since **neural activities in the brain are locally correlated** in different brain regions rather than all regions sharing a similar response.[4].
- (b) In stock prediction where some of the stock prices are more highly correlated than others [5].

In such a structured multi-task regression problem, the goal is to recover this structured sparsity pattern in the regression coefficients shared across all the correlated tasks that are related through a graph.

# 1.1 Motivation

This regression problem motivates the need to formulate a new strategy for structured multi-task regression that explicitly takes into account the complex dependency structure in the output variables represented as a graph and exploits the graph structure (or graph relation/connection) over

the output variables to estimate the regression coefficients. The present paper proposes one such technique called – Graph Guided Fused Lasso (GF Lasso).

#### 2. Main Contributions

## 2.1 Graph-guided Fused Lasso for Sparse Structured Multitask Regression

**GFLasso Formulation** - Assume that the output structure of the K output variables is available as a graph G with a set of nodes V = 1, ..., K and edges E. Such graphs are constructed by computing pairwise correlations based on  $y_k$ 's and connecting two nodes with an edge if their correlation is above a given threshold  $\rho$ .

Here we use Pearson's correlation [Appendix A4] to define a correlation between out variables  $y_m$  and  $y_l$  as  $r_{ml}$  where  $r_{ml}$  denotes the weight of an edge e(m, l) that represents the strength of correlation between the two nodes of the graph.

Given the graph G, if two output variables are connected with an edge in the graph, they tend to be influenced by the same set of covariates with similar strength. Also, the edge weights in the graph G contain information on how strongly the two output variables are related and thus share relevant covariates.

**Standard Lasso-** For a sample of N instances, each represented as a J dimensional input vector, and a K dimensional output vector, let  $X = (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_J)$  be a NxJ input matrix;  $Y = (y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_K)$  be a NxK output matrix. For each of the K output variables, we have:

$$y_k = X\beta_k + \epsilon_k, \forall k = 1, ..., K \tag{1}$$

Where  $\beta(k) = (\beta 1k, \beta 2k, ...)$ . T is a vector of regression coefficients for the kth output variable. And eta(k) is a vector of N independent zero mean Gaussian noise. If  $B = (\beta_1, \beta_2, ..., \beta_K)$  denotes a JxK matrix of regression coefficients of ALL K response variables, then Lasso regression gives us –

$$\hat{B}^{lasso} = \operatorname{argmin} \frac{1}{2} ||Y - XB||_F^2 + \lambda ||B||_1 \tag{2}$$

GFL asso employs an additional constraint over the standard lasso by fusing the  $\beta_{jm}$  and  $\beta_{jl}$ 

$$\hat{B}^{GF} = \min_{B} f(B) = \frac{1}{2} ||Y - XB||_{F}^{2} + \lambda ||B||_{1} + \gamma \sum_{e=(m,l)\in E} \tau(r_{ml}) \sum_{j=1}^{J} |\beta_{jm} - sign(r_{ml})\beta_{jl}|$$
(3)

Where  $\lambda, \gamma$  are regularization parameters that control model complexity. Larger  $\lambda \to \text{greater}$  fusion.  $\tau_r$  weights the fusion penalty [Appendix A5] for each edge.  $\beta_{jm}$  and  $\beta_{jl}$  for highly correlated outputs with large  $r_{ml}$  receive greater fusion effect.

When this edge-level fusion penalty is applied to all the edges in the entire graph G in the GFL asso penalty, the overall effect is that each subset of output variables within a densely connected subgraph tends to have common relevant covariates.

## 2.2 Proximal-Gradient Method for Optimization

Although the optimization problem for GFLasso in Eq.1 is convex, it is not trivial to optimize it because of the non-smooth penalty function. In general, to solve fusion penalty, Quadratic Programming (QP) or Second-Order Cone-Programming (SOCP) techniques are used. But these techniques are very computational expensive and have huge convergence times. To overcome these challenges, the paper proposes a proximal-gradient method has a faster convergence rate and low computation complexity per iteration.

The "Proximal" approach - The "proximal" method optimizes a lower or upper bound of the original objective function, rather than optimizing the objective function directly. This lower or upper bound has a simpler form that allows for an easy optimization. Motivated by this idea, **Proximal-Gradient Method** technique follows the following steps –

(a) First reformulate the  $\ell_1$  and fusion penalty together into a max problem over auxiliary variables. Using the Reformulation of the non-smooth penalty term [Appendix A4], the overall penalty can be written as:

$$||BC||_1 \equiv \max_{\|A\|_{\infty} \le 1} \langle A, BC \rangle \tag{4}$$

(b) After that, introduce its smooth lower bound and optimize that instead of optimizing the original penalty

$$f_{\mu}(B) = \max_{\|A\|_{\infty} \le 1} \langle A, BC \rangle - \mu d(A) \tag{5}$$

- (c) A Reformulation of the Non-smooth Penalty Term as in eq (2)
- (d) Proximal Gradient Method

$$D = \max_{\|A\|_{\infty} \le 1} d(A) = \frac{1}{2} ||A||_F^2 = \frac{1}{2} J(K + |E|)$$
 (6)

$$L = \lambda_{max}(X^T X) + L_{\mu} \le \lambda_{max}(X^T X) + \frac{\lambda^2 + 2\gamma^2 max_{k \in V} d_k}{\mu} \equiv L_U$$
 (7)

# Algorithm 1 Proximal-Gradient Method for GFlasso

**Input**:  $X, Y, \lambda, \gamma$ , graph structure G, desired accuracy  $\epsilon$ .

**Initialization**: Construct  $C = (\lambda I, \gamma H)$ ; compute  $L_U$  according to (6); compute D in (5) and set  $\mu = \frac{\epsilon}{2D}$ ; set  $\mathbf{W}^0 = \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^{J \times K}$ ;

**Iterate** For t = 0, 1, 2, ... until convergence of  $\mathbf{B}^t$ :

- 1. Compute  $\nabla \widetilde{f}(\mathbf{W}^t)$  according to (11).
- 2. Perform the gradient descent step :  $\mathbf{B}^t = \mathbf{W}^t \frac{1}{L_U} \nabla \widetilde{f}(\mathbf{W}^t)$ .
- 3. Set  $\mathbf{Z}^t = -\frac{1}{L_U} \sum_{i=0}^t \frac{i+1}{2} \nabla \widetilde{f}(\mathbf{W}^i)$ .
- 4. Set  $\mathbf{W}^{t+1} = \frac{t+1}{t+3}\mathbf{B}^t + \frac{2}{t+3}\mathbf{Z}^t$ .

Output:  $\widehat{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{B}^t$ 

# 3. Experimental Setup

#### 3.1 Dataset

We have implemented the algorithm on two synthetically generated datasets with sample size N=1000, with 30 features, i.e. J and 40 tasks,i.e., K. We have chosen 5 relevant features. The data split is 7:3 ratio. The datasets generate their own ground truth coefficient matrix of size  $K \times J$  for the relevant features based on  $y_k = X \beta_k + \epsilon_k \forall k = 1, ..., K$  where  $\beta_k = \cos(c(1+x) + 3x)$  where x is a random value and  $c \in [0, 2\pi]$ . X is generated in two ways - a) randomly generated values of  $N \times J$  matrix, and, b) Gaussian X which generates a matrix of size  $N \times J$  where each value  $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ .

For the comparison results and to see how does GFLasso perform relatively, we have used learning models *Lasso* and *MultiTaskLasso* libraries from sklearn to train on the same dataset and obtain regression coefficients which will be compared with the coefficients obtained from GFLasso algorithm.

We begin with initializing our graph G with identity matrix of size K and assign weight value of 1 to selected edges  $e = (m, l) \in E$  to represent the connected nodes. This selection is done as every  $i_{th}$  node in  $G_{i,j}$  is connected to  $i_{(K/2)+1}$  node of  $G_{i,j}$  and vice-a-versa. We started with  $\lambda = 1$  and increased  $\lambda$  to several hundreds, however, with increasing  $\lambda$ , the algorithm cutoff would be sooner. Hence, we chose  $\lambda = 2$  for our final algorithm. With similar cross validation we chose  $\gamma = 1$  and  $\epsilon = 1$ . The value of  $\mu = \frac{\epsilon}{2D}$  is decided as per original paper[1] where  $D = \frac{1}{2}J(K + |E|)$  where D represents the abridgement between convex function and the lower bound of the convex function (J, K, E) are number of features, tasks and edges respectively).

We begin with training the above dataset setup with 70% data for training and rest 30% for validation with  $y_k = X\beta_k + \epsilon_k \forall k = 1, ..., K$  and randomly generated X with  $\rho = 0.5$ , samples N = 1000, features J = 30 and tasks K = 40 and 5 relevant features. The algorithm then trains on Lasso and MultiTaskLasso of sklearn and our algorithm GFLasso. The following figure shows the receiver operating characteristic (ROC curve) for Lasso, MultiTaskLasso and GFLasso for the relevant features at index 0 and 2 and heatmap for all the relevant features. As can be seen from a) and b) that GFLasso has outperformed the other approaches with fewer false positives.

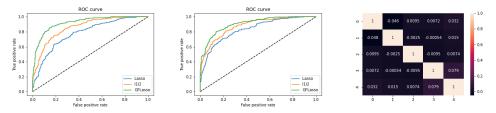


Figure 1: from left a) ROC curve for Lasso, MultiTaskLasso and GFLasso for the relevant feature at index 0 b) at index 2. c) Heatmap representing the correlation between relevant features

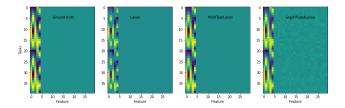


Figure 2: Regression Coefficients for Ground Truth, Lasso, MultiTaskLasso and GFLasso

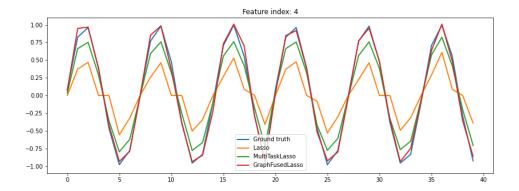


Figure 3: Regression coefficients for *Ground Truth*, *Lasso*, *MultiTaskLasso and GFLasso* of relevant feature at index 4

It can be inferred from Figure 4 that our GFLasso coefficients for relevant feature at index 4 are closer to the ground truth than lasso or l1/l2-regularized multi-task regression. As we move further in our analysis, we evaluate the performance of our GFLasso with proximal gradient function along with Stochastic Sub-Gradient method. Even though the paper originally compares the computation time with complex Second-Order Cone Programming(SOCP) and Quadratic Programming(QP) methods, we chose the above sub-gradient method because of the knowledge gap. First we change the value of J from 1000 to 10000 with step size of 1000 on both synthetic datasets. Then the value of N is changed from 500 to 10000 with step size of 1000 for both synthetic datsets. Similarly, we do this for vrying values of K from 1000 to 8000 with 1000 step size.

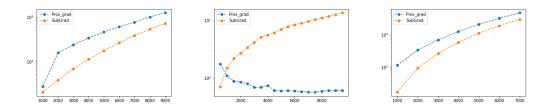


Figure 4: Computation Time by GFLasso with Proximal Gradient, Stochastic Gradient Descent and Stochastic Sub-Gradient for varying values of J, N, K (from left respectively) on normal distributed X.

# 4. Individual Contributions

Our study began with the research paper on GFLasso[7]. Nitin identified the problem statement and from there Andrew and Abhilash captured the theoretical concepts involved in the paper. Further, Andrew started writing the report and Nitin along with Abhilash started implementing the GFLasso and Proximal Gradient in Python.

Later on Andrew and Abhilash played crucial role in generating the results and illustrations and Nitin followed up with the analysis.

Altogether, Abhilash, Andrew and Nitin played thorough roles in both theoretical and implementation aspects of the paper.

# 5. Conclusion

Learning and Future Directions The present work is one of the first to consider the graph structure (and hence the correlation) over the outputs in a multi-task problem. To do so, it proposes a new technique to solve such a structured multi-task regression problem and also proposes a new optimization method to solve such problems that is orders of magnitude faster and more scalable than the standard optimization techniques like Quadratic Programming(QP) and Second Order Cone Programming (SOCP).

- **Pros** 1. The paper proposes first of its kind technique to address and use the structured correlation between the output variables in multi-task regression problems 2. The Proximal gradient method proposed on the paper can be used to optimize any kind of convex optimization problems that involve a smooth convex loss and fusion penalty defined on any arbitrary graph structures. 3. The proposed method is faster and more scalable than the standard optimization techniques
- **Cons** 1. The proximal technique has been compared with the QP and SOCP techniques but not with the subgradient technique as per the illustrations
- 2. Our results indicate that for small sample sizes, subgradient method can be faster than the Proximal gradient technique.

**Not understood** - 1. Formulation/proof of the Fusion penalty - We understand hat fusion penalty makes the correlated outputs to share a common set of inputs and hence identies a set of inputs that are directly relevant to the outputs instead of having to consider all inputs together. Basically, it helps to exploit the sparsity in the outputs.

2. We did not understand the proofs of lemmas as we're not much familiar with the Optimization theory.

Not implemented - The evaluations for varying values of  $\rho$  and signal-to-noise ratio b are not done The implementation of SOCP and QP methods as the concepts are not well understood

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# 7. Appendix

**Theorem 1.** for any  $\mu > 0$ ,  $f_{\mu}(B)$  is a convex and continuously differentiable function in B with the gradient:

$$\nabla f_{\mu}(B) = \Gamma^*(A^*) = A^*C^T \tag{8}$$

To compute  $\nabla f_{\mu}(B)$  and  $L_{\mu}$  in the above the theorem we need to know  $A^*$  and  $||\Gamma||$ . We present the closed-form expressions of  $A^*$  and  $||\Gamma||$  in the following two lemmas.

# A1 - Proof of Theorem 1

The  $f_{\mu}(B)$  is a convex function since it is the maximum of a set of functions linear in B. For the smoothness property, let the function  $d^*$  be the Fenchel conjugate of the distance function d which is defined as:

$$d^*(\Theta) = \max_{A \in Q} \langle A, \Theta \rangle - d(A).$$

We want to prove  $d^*$  is differential everywhere by showing that the subdifferential  $\partial d^*$  of  $d^*$  is a singleton set for any  $\Theta$ 

By definition in (equation above), we have, for any  $\Theta$  and any  $A \in Q$ :

$$d^*(\Theta) + d(A) \ge \langle A, \Theta \rangle,$$

and the inequality holds as an equality if and only if  $A = argmax\langle A', \Theta \rangle - d\langle A' \rangle$ .

By the fact that for a convex and smooth function, the conjugate of the conjugate of a function is the function of itself, we have  $d^{**} \equiv d$ . Then, (equation above) can be written as:

$$d^*(\Theta) + d^{**}(A) \ge \langle A, \Theta \rangle,$$

and the inequality hold as an equality if and only if  $\Theta = \underset{\Theta' \in \mathbb{R}^J}{argmax} \langle A, \Theta' \rangle - d^*(\Theta')$ .

Since (the first and second equation) are equivalent, we know that  $A = \underset{A' \in Q}{argmax} A'^T \Theta - d(A')$  if and only if  $\Theta = \underset{A' \in Q}{argmax} \langle A, \Theta' \rangle - d^*(\Theta')$ . The latter equality implies that for any  $\Theta'$ :

$$d^*(\Theta') \ge d^*(\Theta) + \langle A, \Theta' - \Theta \rangle,$$

which further means that A is a subgradient of d' at  $\Theta$  by the definition of subgradient. Summarizing the above arguments, we conclude that A is a subgradient of  $d^*$  at  $\Theta^*$  if and only if

$$A = \underset{A' \in Q}{argmax} \langle A', \Theta \rangle - d^*(A').$$

Since d is a strongly convex function, this maximization problem in (above equation) has a unique optimal solution, which means the subdifferential  $\partial d^* \circ f d^*$  at any point  $\Theta$  is a singleton set that contains only A. Therefore,  $d^*$  is the differential everywhere and A is its gradient:

$$\Delta d^*(\Theta) = A = \underset{A' \in Q}{argmax} \langle A', \Theta \rangle - d(A').$$

No we return to our original problem of  $f_{\mu}(B)$  and rewrite it as:

$$f_{\mu}(B) = \max_{A \in Q} \langle A, \Gamma(B) \rangle - \mu d(A) = \max_{A \in Q} [\langle A, \frac{\Gamma(B)}{\mu} \rangle - d(A)] = \mu d^{*}(\frac{\Gamma(B)}{\mu})$$

Finally, utilizing the equation above and chain rule, we know that  $f_{\mu}(B)$  is continuously differentiable and its gradient take the following form:

$$\Delta f_{\mu}(B) = \mu \Gamma^{*}(\Delta d^{*}(\frac{\Gamma(B)}{\mu})) = \mu \Gamma^{*}(\underset{A' \in Q}{argmax}[\langle A, \frac{\Gamma(B)}{\mu} \rangle - d(A)] = \Gamma^{*}(\underset{A' \in Q}{argmax}[\langle A, \Gamma(B) \rangle - \mu d(A)']) = \Gamma^{*}(A^{*}). \tag{9}$$

# A2 - Proof of Lemma 1 and 2

**Lemma 1.** Let  $A^*$  be the optimal solution of (eq 6 in the text)

$$A^* = S(\frac{BC}{\mu}) \tag{10}$$

Where S is the shrinkage operator defined as follows. For  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , S(x) = xif - 1 < x < 1,  $S(x) = 1ifx \ge 1$ , and  $S(x) = -1ifx \le -1$  For matrix A, S(A) is defined as applying S on each and every entry of A. Proof by taking the derivative of (eq 6 in teh paper) and setting it to zeros, we obtain  $A = \frac{BC}{2}$ . Then, we project this solution onto the Q and get the optimal solution for  $A^*$ .

**Lemma 2.**  $||\Gamma||$  is upper bounded by  $||\Gamma||_U \equiv \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 2\gamma^2 \max_k d_k}$  where

$$d_k = \sum_{e \in E \text{ s.t. } e \text{ incident on } k} (\tau(r_e))^2$$
(11)

for  $k \in V$  on graph G; and this bound is tight. According to the definition of  $||\Gamma||$ , we have:

$$||\Gamma|| \equiv \max_{||B||_F = 1} ||\Gamma(B)_F| = \max_{||B||_F = 1} ||\lambda B, \gamma BH||_F = \max_{||B||_F = 1} \sqrt{\lambda^2 ||B|||_F^2 + \gamma^2 ||BH||_F^2} = \max_{||B||_F = 1} \sqrt{\lambda^2 + \gamma^2 ||BH||_F^2}$$
(12)

Therefore, to bound  $||\Gamma||$ , we only need to find an upper bound for the  $\max_{||B||_F=1} ||BH||_F^2$ . According to the formulation of the matrix H, we have

$$||BH||_F^2 = \sum_{e=(m,l)\in E} (\tau(r_{ml}))^2 \sum_j (\beta_{jm} - sign(r_{ml})\beta_{jl})^2$$
(13)

It is well known that  $(a-b)^2 \leq 2a^2 + 2b^2$  and the inequality holds as equality if and only if a=-b. Using this simple inequality, for each edge  $e=(m,l)\in E$ , the summation  $\sum_j(\beta_{jm}-sign(r_{ml}\beta_{jl})^2)$  is upper-bounded by  $\sum_j(2\beta_{jm}^2+2\beta_{jl}^2)=2||\beta_m||_2^2+2||\beta_l||_2^2$ . Here, the vectors  $\beta_m$  and  $\beta_l$  are the m-th and l-th columns of B. The right-hand side of (equation above) can be further bounded as:

$$||BH||_F^2 \le \sum_{e=(m,l)\in E} 2(\tau(r_{ml}))^2 (||\beta_m||_2^2 + ||\beta_l||_2^2) = \sum_{k\in V} (\sum_{eincidentonk} 2(\tau(r_e))^2) ||\beta_k||_2^2 = \sum_{k\in V} 2d_k ||\beta_k||_2^2,$$
(14)

where  $d_k$  is defined in (equation 9 from paper). Note that the first inequality is tight, and that the first equality can be obtained simply by changing the order of summations. By definition pf Frobenius norm,  $||B||_F^2 = \sum_k ||\beta_k||_2^2$ . Hence,

$$\max_{||B||_{f}=1} ||BH||_{F}^{2} \leq \max_{||B||_{F}=1} \sum_{k} 2d_{k} ||\beta_{k}||_{2}^{2} = 2\max_{k} d_{k}, \tag{15}$$

where the maximum is achieved by setting the  $\beta_k$  corresponding to the largest  $d_k$  to be a unit vector and setting other  $\beta_k$  's to be zero vectors.

In summary,  $||\Gamma||$  can be tightly upper bounded as:

$$||\Gamma|| = \max_{||B||_f = 1} ||\Gamma(B)||_F = \max_{||B||_f = 1} \sqrt{\lambda^2 + \gamma^2 ||BH||_F^2} = \sqrt{\lambda^2 + \gamma^2 \max_{||B||_F = 1} ||BH||_F^2} = \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 2\gamma^2 \max_{||B||_F = 1} d_k} \equiv ||\Gamma||_U$$

$$(16)$$

# A3 - The $\ell_1$ and $\ell_1/\ell_2$ Regularized Multi-task Regression problem can be formulated as follows -

This Lasso in technique in Eq. (2) does not offer any mechanism for a joint estimation of the parameters for the multiple outputs. To overcome this challenge, a mixed norm (e.g. 11/12) regularization is used for multiple tasks when the tasks share a common set of relevant covariates. 11/12 regularization encourages the relevant covariates to be shared across output variables and finds estimates in which only few covariates have non-zero regression coefficients for one or more of the K output variables. The corresponding optimization problem is defined as follows

$$\hat{B}^{l_1/l_2} = \operatorname{argmin} \frac{1}{2} ||Y - XB||_F^2 + \lambda ||B||_{1,2}$$
(17)

where ||B|| = Although it jointly estimates parameters for multiple output variables, it assumes that ALL tasks are equally related the inputs. But as described above, in real world problems, some tasks are more closely related ( share common covariates more likely) than other tasks. Thus, there is a complex correlation structure in the outputs which cannot be incorporated using 11/12 regularization.

**A4 - Pearson's correlation** In statistics, the Pearson correlation also referred to as Pearson's r, is a statistic that measures linear correlation between two variables X and Y. Given a pair of random variables (X, Y), Pearson's correlation is defined as

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{cov(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} \tag{18}$$

It has a value between +1 and 1 A value of +1 is total positive linear correlation, 0 is no linear correlation, and 1 is total negative linear correlation.

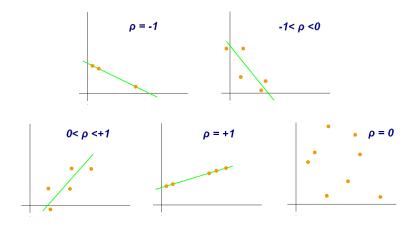


Figure 5: Examples of scatter diagrams with different values of correlation coefficient (p)

A5 - Fusion Penalty – is a novel penalty function which "encourages" the highly correlated outputs to share a common set of "relevant inputs". Explicitly stated, fusion penalty "fuses" the regression coefficients across correlated outputs using the "weighted connectivity" of the output graph as a guide. Overall effect of penalty function is that "it allows us to identify a small set of input factors relevant to the dense subgraphs of outputs a shown in the figure below:

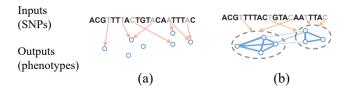


Figure 6: Illustration of multi-task regression with a) Lasso and b)Graph guided fused lasso

Fusion penalty has been widely used for sparse learning problems like Fused Lasso, network learning, etc.

#### A6 - Code

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2 """Graph Guided Lasso.ipynb
4 Automatically generated by Colaboratory.
6 Original file is located at
      9 ##An Implementation of General Fused Lasso
10 Based on - Graph -Structured Multi-task Regression and Efficient Optimization Method
      for General Fused Lasso;
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13 """
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15 # Commented out IPython magic to ensure Python compatibility.
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
17 import numpy as np
18 import time
19 import pylab
{\tt 20} \  \  {\tt from} \  \  {\tt sklearn.linear\_model} \  \  {\tt import} \  \  {\tt MultiTaskLasso} \  \  , \  \  {\tt Lasso}
21 from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
rng = np.random.RandomState(42)
23 # %matplotlib inline
\tt 25 """##GFLasso with Proximal Gradiet function
26 Model design for general fused lasso along with proximal gradient method
27 """
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29 class GraphFusedLasso():
30
      Graph-Guided Fused Lasso
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      def __init__(
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          self, G, theta_val=0, X_b=0, 1r=0, n_iter=0, max_iterations=50, lambda_val
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      =1.0, gamma_val=1.0, epsilon=1.0, tol=10**-6,
          no_bias=False, verbose=False, grad_func=1,
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          self.G = G
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38
          self.max_iterations = max_iterations
          self.lambda_val = lambda_val
39
          self.gamma_val = gamma_val
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41
          self.epsilon = epsilon
          self.tol = tol
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          self.no_bias = no_bias
          self.verbose = verbose
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self.grad_func='proximal'
45
           self.theta_val = theta_val
47
48
       def fit(self, X, y):
49
           #adding bias for y_pred
50
51 #
            print(grad_func)
           if grad_func == 1:
52
53
             if not self.no_bias:
                 X = self.bias_padding(X)
54
           N, J = X.shape
55
56
           tasks = y.shape[1] #K
           edges = np.nonzero(self.G)[0].shape[0] #E
57
58
           # Initialize vertex-edge incident matrix H with KxE
59
           H = np.zeros((tasks, edges))
60
           #Fill H as per Sec 4.1 definition
61
           for k in range(tasks):
62
63
               for e, (m, 1) in enumerate(zip(*np.nonzero(self.G))):
                    if k == m:
64
                       H[k, e] = np.abs(self.G[m, 1])
65
                    elif k == 1:
66
                        H[k, e] = -np.sign(self.G[m, 1]) * np.abs(self.G[m, 1])
67
68
           I = np.identity(tasks)
69
           # lasso and graph-guided fusion penalty functions as ||BC||_1, with C = (I, C)
70
         H )
           C = np.concatenate((self.lambda_val * I, self.gamma_val * H), axis=1)
71
           \#d(A) 1 /2*||A||^2_F; D = 1/2*J(K+E) Sec 4.2
72
           D = 0.5 * J * (tasks + edges)
73
           #|| ||_U, mapping from JxK to Jx(K+|E|)
74
           d_k = np.sum(self.G**2, axis=1)
75
           #mu defined to achieve best convergance rate
76
77
           mu = self.epsilon / (2. * D)
           #eigenvector X^TX
78
79
           eigen_value, _ = np.linalg.eig(np.dot(X.T, X))
           #Upper bounded Lipschitz constant Eq 12 L_U = max (XTX) + ( ^2 + 2 ^2
80
       maxkV d_k)/
            \texttt{L\_u = np.max(eigen\_value) + (self.lambda\_val**2 + 2 * self.gamma\_val**2 * np.} 
81
       max(d_k)) / mu
82
           # Proximal Gradient Function, Algorithm 1
83
           W_prev = np.zeros((J, tasks))
84
           B = np.ones((J, tasks))
85
86
           Z_{prev} = 0.
           B_{prev} = 0.
87
           coefdiff_history = []
88
           loss_history = []
89
           if grad_func == 1:
90
             B, coefdiff_history, loss_history = self.proximal_gradient(W_prev, B_prev,
91
       B, X, y, C, mu, L_u, Z_prev, self.max_iterations, loss_history, coefdiff_history)
           #Stochastic Gradient Method added only for the Computation Comparison purpose
92
           #This method cannot be used for generating useful output
93
           elif grad_func == 2:
94
95
             self.theta,self.cost_history = stochastic_grad_desc(X_b,y,theta,lr,n_iter)
           #Stochastic Gradient Method added only for the Computation Comparison purpose
96
           #This method cannot be used for generating useful output
97
           elif grad_func == 3:
             w_init = np.random.randn(X.shape[1])
99
             w,b = stochastic_subgrad(X,y,w_init,b = 10,tradeoff=1, itr=n_iter)
100
           else:
101
       print("Define Gradient Function to use")
102
```

```
104
            self.coef_ = B.T[:, :-1] if not self.no_bias else B.T
            self.intercept_ = B.T[:, -1] if not self.no_bias else np.zeros(tasks)
106
            self.coefdiff_history_ = coefdiff_history
107
            self.loss_history_ = loss_history
108
            return self
109
        def gflasso_prediction(self, X):
            #model definition Eq 1
            y_pred = np.dot(X, self.coef_.T) + self.intercept_
            return y_pred
114
116
       def bias_padding(self, X):
            b = np.ones((X.shape[0], 1), dtype=X.dtype)
            return np.concatenate((X, b), axis=1)
118
119
       #Eq 14 as graph fusion penalty
120
121
        def graph_fusion_penalty(self, X, y, B):
            #vector 12-norm
122
            loss = 0.5 * np.sum((y - np.dot(X, B))**2)
123
            loss += self.lambda_val * np.linalg.norm(B, ord=1)
            for e, (m, 1) in enumerate(zip(*np.nonzero(self.G))):
125
                r = self.G[m, 1]
126
                s = np.sign(r)
                loss += self.gamma_val * np.abs(r) * np.sum(np.abs(B[:, m] - s * B[:, 1])
128
       )
            return loss
       def proximal_gradient(self, W_prev, B_prev, B, X, y, C, mu, L_u, Z_prev, itr,
131
        loss_history, coefdiff_history):
132
            for itr in range(self.max_iterations):
            #derivaative of Optimal solution A*
134
            #lemma 1
                S_A = shrinkage_operator(np.dot(W_prev, C) / mu)
135
136
                \#Eq 11 f (B) = X^T(XB)
                                             Y) + A C ^T
                \label{eq:grad_f_b} \texttt{grad\_f\_b} \; = \; \texttt{np.dot}(\texttt{X.T, (np.dot}(\texttt{X, W\_prev}) \; - \; \texttt{y})) \; + \; \texttt{np.dot}(\texttt{S\_A, C.T})
137
138
139
                # Gradient descent step
                B = threshold_offset(W_prev - grad_f_b / L_u, self.lambda_val / L_u)
140
141
142
                # Step 3
                Z = Z_{prev} - 0.5 * (itr + 1) * grad_f_b / L_u
143
144
145
                # Step 4
                W_{prev} = ((itr + 1) / (itr + 3)) * B + (2 / (itr + 3)) * Z
146
147
                # Check termination condition
148
149
                loss = self.graph_fusion_penalty(X, y, B)
                # fusion penalty defined on inputs ordered in time as a chain
151
                #i.e., special case of graph_fusion_penalty
                special_case_penalty = np.mean(np.abs(B - B_prev)) if itr > 0 else np.inf
                loss_history.append(loss)
                coefdiff_history.append(special_case_penalty)
155
156
                if self.verbose:
157
                     print("Iter {0}: Fusion Penalty = {1:e}, Loss = {2:e}".format(
                         itr + 1, special_case_penalty, loss))
158
                if special_case_penalty <= self.tol:</pre>
                     #print(itr)
                     break
161
                B_prev = B
162
                Z_prev = Z
163
```

```
return B, coefdiff_history, loss_history
165
166
def shrinkage_operator(array):
       #For x R, S(x) = x if
                                    1
                                       < x < 1,
168
       \#S(x) = 1 \text{ if } x 1, and S(x) = 1 \text{ if } x
169
       array = np.where(array >= 1., 1., array) # if x >= 1
       array = np.where(array <= -1., -1., array) # if x <= -1
171
       return array
174 def threshold_offset(array, lambda_val):
       array_new = np.zeros_like(array)
       array_new[np.where(array > lambda_val)] = array[np.where(array > lambda_val)] -
176
       lambda val
       array_new[np.where(array < -lambda_val)] = array[np.where(array < -lambda_val)] +
177
        lambda_val
       return array_new
178
180 """##Stochastic Gradient Descent
181 For comparison purpose only
182
183
184 def fn_cost(theta,X,y):
           predictions = X.dot(theta)
185
            cost = (1/2*len(y)) * np.sum(np.square(predictions-y))
186
           return cost
187
188
189 def stochastic_grad_desc(X,y,theta,learning_rate=0.01,itr=10):
           cost_history = np.zeros(itr)
190
            for it in range(itr):
191
                cost = 0.0
192
                for i in range(len(y)):
193
194
                    rand_idx = np.random.randint(0,len(y))
                    X_i = X[rand_idx,:].reshape(1,X.shape[1])
195
196
                    y_i = y[rand_idx,:].reshape(1,y.shape[1])
                    pred = np.dot(X_i,theta)
197
                    theta = theta -(1/len(y))*learning_rate*( X_i.T.dot((pred - y_i)))
199
200
                    cost += fn_cost(theta, X_i, y_i)
                cost_history[it] = cost
201
202
           return theta, cost_history
203
204
205 """##Stochastic Sub-Gradient
206 For comparison purpose only
207 II II II
208
209 def add_subgrad(w, subgradient_w):
210
       total w = w + C *
                              (-y*x)
211
212
213
       return w + subgradient_w
214
215
def calc_subgradient(x, y, w, b, tradeoff):
217
       subgrad_w = 0
218
219
       subgrad_b = 0
220
       # sum over all subgradients of hinge loss for a given samples x,y
221
       for xi, yi in zip(x,y):
           fxi = np.dot(w.T, xi) + b
223
224
           threshold_val = yi * fxi
226
```

```
if threshold_val < 1:</pre>
227
               subgrad_w += - yi*xi
               subgrad_b += -1 * yi
230
231
               subgrad_w += 0
               subgrad_b += 0
232
233
       \# multiply by C after summation of all subgradients for a given samples of x,y
234
       subgrad_w = tradeoff * subgrad_w
235
       subgrad_b = tradeoff * subgrad_b
236
       return (add_subgrad(w, subgrad_w), subgrad_b)
237
238
239 def stochastic_subgrad(X, y, w, b, tradeoff, itr=50):
240
       for t in range(1, itr+1):
241
           learning_rate = 1/t
242
           for i in range(0, y.shape[1]):
243
             #print(y[:,i])
244
             sub_grads = calc_subgradient(X,y[:,i], w, b, tradeoff)
246
           # update weights
247
             w = w - learning_rate * sub_grads[0]
248
249
           # update bias
250
            b = b - learning_rate * sub_grads[1]
251
       return (w,b)
252
253
254 """##Initialization
255 Initializing Graph G, X, y, number of samples N, number of features J and number of
     tasks K
256 """
257
_{258} N, J, K = 1000, 30, 40 # N = number of samples, J = features, K = tasks
259 n_relevant_features = 5
coef = np.zeros((K, J))
times = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, K // 2)
for k in range(n_relevant_features):
263
       coef[:K // 2, k] = np.sin((1. + rng.randn(1)) * times + 3 * rng.randn(1))
       coef[K // 2:, k] = coef[:K // 2, k]
264
265
266 X = rng.randn(N, J)
#X=np.random.normal(0, 1, size=(N, J))
y = np.dot(X, coef.T) + rng.randn(N, K)
269 X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=.7,
270
                                                        random_state=42)
271
272 G = np.identity(K)
274 for j in range(K // 2):
       G[j, K // 2 + j] = G[K // 2 + j, j] = 1.0
275
277 """##GFLasso Model with Proximal Gradient Method
278 Also computes false positive rate and true positive rate for each relevant feature
279 HHH
280
281 grad_func=1
282 gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, verbose=True, max_iterations=1000, lambda_val=2.,
       epsilon=1.).fit(X_train, y_train)
gflasso_coefficients_ = gflasso_model.coef_
284
_{285} rho = 0.5
gflasso_coefficients = np.zeros_like(gflasso_coefficients_)
gflasso_coefficients[gflasso_coefficients_ < rho] = 0
```

```
289 from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score, roc_curve, auc
y_pred=gflasso_model.gflasso_prediction(X_test)
y_test_classes = np.zeros_like(y_pred)
293 \text{ cutoff} = 0.1
y_test_classes[y_test > cutoff] = 1
295 fpr_gfl = dict()
296 tpr_gfl = dict()
297
298 for i in range(n_relevant_features):
       fpr_gfl[i], tpr_gfl[i], _ = roc_curve(y_test_classes[:, i], y_pred[:,i])
299
       auc = roc_auc_score(y_test_classes[:, i], y_pred[:,i] )
300
301
       print("Area under ROC curve for relevant feature at index {0}: {1:e}".format(i,
       auc))
303 """##Lasso Model
304 Also computes false positive rate and true positive rate for each relevant feature
305
307 lasso_model = Lasso(alpha=0.5).fit(X, y)
308 lasso_coefficients = lasso_model.coef_
310 fpr_lasso = dict()
311 tpr_lasso = dict()
312
y_pred_lasso = lasso_model.predict(X_test)[:,1]
314
for i in range(n_relevant_features):
       fpr_lasso[i], tpr_lasso[i], _ = roc_curve(y_test_classes[:, i], y_pred_lasso[:])
316
318 """##MultiTaskLasso Model
319 Also computes false positive rate and true positive rate for each relevant feature
320
321
multi_task_model = MultiTaskLasso(alpha=1.).fit(X, y)
323 multi_task_lasso_coefficients = multi_task_model.coef_
324 fpr_l112 = dict()
325 tpr_1112 = dict()
y_pred_l112 = multi_task_model.predict(X_test)[:,1]
328
329 for i in range(n_relevant_features):
      fpr_1112[i], tpr_1112[i], _ = roc_curve(y_test_classes[:, i], y_pred_1112[:])
332 """##ROC Curve
333 ROC Curve for GFLasso, Lasso and MultiTaskLasso Models
334
336 from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
337 plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], 'k--')
338 plt.plot(fpr_lasso[2], tpr_lasso[2], label='Lasso')
339 plt.plot(fpr_1112[2], tpr_1112[2], label='1112')
general and plt.plot(fpr_gfl[2], tpr_gfl[2], label='GFLasso')
342 plt.xlabel('False positive rate')
343 plt.ylabel('True positive rate')
344 plt.title('ROC curve')
345 plt.legend(loc='best')
346 from google.colab import files
plt.savefig("ROC_idx_2.png")
348 files.download("ROC_idx_2.png")
349 plt.show()
350
351 """##Regression Coefficients for all models"""
```

```
352
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(16, 5))
354 plt.subplot(1, 4, 1)
355 plt.imshow(coef)
356 plt.xlabel('Feature')
plt.ylabel('Task)')
358 plt.text(10, 5, 'Ground truth')
359 plt.subplot(1, 4, 2)
plt.imshow(lasso_coefficients)
361 plt.xlabel('Feature')
362 plt.text(10, 5, 'Lasso')
363 plt.subplot(1, 4, 3)
364 plt.imshow(multi_task_lasso_coefficients)
365 plt.xlabel('Feature')
366 plt.text(10, 5, 'MultiTaskLasso')
367 plt.subplot(1, 4, 4)
plt.imshow(gflasso_coefficients_)
general plt.xlabel('Feature')
plt.text(10, 5, 'GraphFusedLasso')
371 from google.colab import files
plt.savefig("Coeffs.png")
373 files.download("Coeffs.png")
374 plt.show()
375
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(14, 5))
377 lw = 2
378 feature_to_plot = 4
plt.plot(coef[:, feature_to_plot], linewidth=lw,
            label='Ground truth')
plt.plot(lasso_coefficients[:, feature_to_plot], linewidth=lw,
            label='Lasso')
383 plt.plot(multi_task_lasso_coefficients[:, feature_to_plot], linewidth=lw,
            label='MultiTaskLasso')
384
plt.plot(gflasso_coefficients_[:, feature_to_plot], linewidth=lw,
           label='GraphFusedLasso')
386
387 plt.legend(loc='lower center')
388 plt.axis('tight')
plt.title("Feature index: {}".format(feature_to_plot))
390 plt.ylim([-1.1, 1.1])
391
392 from google.colab import files
393 plt.savefig("Feature.png")
394 files.download("Feature.png")
395 plt.show()
396
397 """##Heatmap of relevant feature"""
398
399 import seaborn as sns
400
401 import pandas as pd
402 X=pd.DataFrame(X)
403 # taking all rows but only 5 columns
404 df_small = X.iloc[:,:n_relevant_features]
405
406 correlation_mat = df_small.corr()
407
sns.heatmap(correlation_mat, annot = True)
409 from google.colab import files
410 plt.savefig("Heatmap.png")
411 files.download("Heatmap.png")
412 plt.show()
413
^{414} """##Evaluation in terms of J
_{\rm 415} varying value of J from 1000 to 10000 with step size of 1000
```

```
416
418 import time
419
420 comp_time_J_prox = []
421 comp_time_J_sgd = []
422 comp_time_J_subg = []
423 for J in range(1000,10000,1000):
424
     N, K = 1000, 40 # N = number of samples, J = features, K = tasks
425
     n_relevant_features = 5
426
     coef = np.zeros((K, J))
427
     c = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, K // 2)
428
     for k in range(n_relevant_features):
429
         coef[:K // 2, k] = np.sin((1. + rng.randn(1)) * c + 2 * rng.randn(1))
430
         coef[K // 2:, k] = coef[:K // 2, k]
431
432
     #X = rng.randn(N, J)
433
434
     X=np.random.normal(0, 1, size=(N, J))
     y = np.dot(X, coef.T) + rng.randn(N, K)
435
     X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=.7,
436
                                                          random_state=42)
437
438
     G = np.identity(K)
439
     grad_func=1
440
     for j in range(K // 2):
441
         G[j, K // 2 + j] = G[K // 2 + j, j] = 1.0
442
443
     print("J = {0} for Proximal Gradient Function".format(J))
445
     start_time = time.time()
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, verbose=True, max_iterations=1000, lambda_val
447
       =2., epsilon=1.,grad_func=1).fit(X, y)
448
     end_time = time.time()
     {\tt comp\_time\_J\_prox.append(end\_time - start\_time)}
449
450
     grad_func=2
451
452
     print("J = {0} for Stochastic Gradient Function".format(J))
453
     start_time = time.time()
     1r = 0.5
454
     n_{iter} = 50
455
     theta = np.random.randn(J+1,1)
456
     X_b = np.c_[np.ones((len(X),1)),X]
457
     {\tt gflasso\_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, theta, X\_b, lr, n\_iter=n\_iter, verbose=True, left)}
458
      max_iterations=1000, lambda_val=2., epsilon=1,grad_func=2).fit(X, y)
     end_time = time.time()
459
     comp_time_J_sgd.append(end_time - start_time)
460
     print("J = {0} for Stochastic Sub-Gradient Function".format(J))
462
     start_time = time.time()
463
464
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, verbose=True,grad_func=3, n_iter=50).fit(X, y)
     end_time = time.time()
465
     comp_time_J_subg.append(end_time - start_time)
467 print(comp_time_J_prox)
468 print(comp_time_J_subg)
469
_{470} # Random X
471 comp_time_J_prox=[24.543862342834473, 151.35878896713257, 232.7870545387268,
       926.0571410655975, 1143.4936137199402]
472 comp_time_J_subg=[18.299408435821533, 36.21959400177002, 64.98038983345032,
       107.28624105453491, 163.075453042984, 244.21183276176453, 343.64225935935974,
       475.861576795578, 653.4304647445679]
473
```

```
474 #Normal Distribution X
475 #comp_time_J_prox = [27.635534524917603, 156.98772144317627, 237.92661786079407,
       338.9670236110687\,,\ 461.8965120315552\,,\ 603.6267650127411\,,\ 767.9135549068451\,,
       1009.3803911209106, 1247.4318089485168]
476 #comp_time_J_subg = [20.421093702316284, 38.149115324020386, 68.76089596748352,
       112.44459652900696\,,\ 175.34537506103516\,,\ 265.1817409992218\,,\ 387.21791982650757\,,
       535.1038284301758, 716.0683045387268]
477
478 a = [pow(10, i) for i in range(10)]
479 fig = plt.figure()
480
481 J_new = []
482 for i in range(1000,10000,1000):
    J_new.append(i)
485 plt.plot(J_new, comp_time_J_prox, label='Prox_grad', linestyle='--', marker='o')
486 plt.plot(J_new, comp_time_J_subg, label='SubGrad', linestyle='--', marker='o')
487 plt.yscale("log")
488 plt.legend(loc='best')
489 from google.colab import files
490 plt.savefig("Evaluation_Varying_J_Random_X.png")
files.download("Evaluation_Varying_J_Random_X.png")
492 plt.show()
_{\rm 494} """##Evaluation in terms of N
varying value of N from 500 to 10000 with step size of 1000
496
497
498 comp_time_N_prox = []
499 comp_time_N_sgd = []
500 comp_time_N_subg = []
for N in range (500,10000,500):
     J, K = 30, 40 \# N = number of samples, J = features, K = tasks
503
     n_relevant_features = 5
     coef = np.zeros((K, J))
505
     c = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, K // 2)
506
507
     for k in range(n_relevant_features):
         coef[:K // 2, k] = np.sin((1. + rng.randn(1)) * c + 2 * rng.randn(1))
508
         coef[K // 2:, k] = coef[:K // 2, k]
510
     #X = rng.randn(N, J)
511
512
     X=np.random.normal(0, 1, size=(N, J))
     y = np.dot(X, coef.T) + rng.randn(N, K)
513
514
     X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=.7,
                                                            random_state=42)
515
     G = np.identity(K)
517
     grad_func=1
518
     for j in range(K // 2):
519
         G[j, K // 2 + j] = G[K // 2 + j, j] = 1.0
520
     start_time = time.time()
521
522
     print("N = {0} for Proximal Gradient Function".format(N))
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, verbose=True, max_iterations=1000, lambda_val
       =2., epsilon=1.,grad_func=1).fit(X, y)
524
     end_time = time.time()
525
     comp_time_N_prox.append(end_time - start_time)
526
     grad_func=2
527
     print("N = {0} for Stochastic Gradient Function".format(N))
528
529
     start_time = time.time()
     lr =0.5
530
     n_{iter} = 50
531
theta = np.random.randn(J+1,1)
```

```
X_b = np.c_[np.ones((len(X),1)),X]
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, theta, X_b, lr, n_iter=n_iter, verbose=True,
       max_iterations=1000, lambda_val=2., epsilon=1,grad_func=2).fit(X, y)
     end_time = time.time()
     comp_time_N_sgd.append(end_time - start_time)
536
537
     print("N = {0} for Stochastic Sub-Gradient Function".format(N))
539
     start_time = time.time()
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, verbose=True,grad_func=3, n_iter=50).fit(X, y)
540
     end_time = time.time()
541
    comp_time_N_subg.append(end_time - start_time)
543 print(comp_time_N_prox)
544 print(comp_time_N_subg)
546 # Random X
547 #comp_time_N_prox = [1.6524100303649902, 1.0764613151550293, 0.8702692985534668,
       0.7575669288635254\,,\;\;0.7244038581848145\,,\;\;0.708141565322876\,,\;\;0.6475667953491211\,,
        0.6154055595397949 \,, \quad 0.6249487400054932 \,, \quad 0.5878493785858154 \,, \quad 0.5842859745025635 \,, \\
       0.6210455894470215, 0.6097066402435303, 0.5902907848358154, 0.5882308483123779]
548 #comp_time_N_subg = [0.6896660327911377, 1.450862169265747, 2.0305209159851074,
       2.7442500591278076\,,\;\;3.486647129058838\,,\;\;4.114997863769531\,,\;\;4.959404945373535\,,
       5.4457550048828125\,,\;\; 6.383319139480591\,,\;\; 6.859850168228149\,,\;\; 7.523995399475098\,,
       8.253390073776245, 9.128736019134521, 9.697450160980225, 10.434390544891357
       11.100789308547974, 11.551125288009644, 12.4006028175354, 13.446029901504517]
550 #Normal Distribution X
comp_{time_N_prox} = [1.7502226829528809, 1.0987131595611572, 0.8918313980102539,
       0.8624117374420166, 0.8024282455444336, 0.6992778778076172, 0.6947231292724609,
       0.602060079574585, 0.5894467830657959, 0.5747578144073486, 0.5769977569580078,
       0.5957958698272705\,,\;\;0.6129364967346191\,,\;\;0.6109001636505127\,,\;\;0.6175305843353271]
552 comp_time_N_subg = [0.706697940826416, 1.4935050010681152, 2.1821913719177246,
       2.6953771114349365, 3.381666421890259, 4.15513801574707, 5.108561277389526,
       5.522367238998413\,,\;\;6.096566200256348\,,\;\;6.858453989028931\,,\;\;7.681184530258179\,,
       8.403875350952148, 8.831019639968872, 9.525176525115967, 10.188826560974121,
       11.004908084869385 \;, \; \; 11.664239406585693 \;, \; \; 12.511788606643677 \;, \; \; 13.351653099060059]
554 a = [pow(10, i) for i in range(10)]
555 fig = plt.figure()
557 N new=[]
558 for i in range(500,10000,500):
559
    N_new.append(i)
560
561 plt.plot(N_new, comp_time_N_prox, label='Prox_grad', linestyle='--', marker='o')
562 plt.plot(N_new, comp_time_N_subg, label='SubGrad', linestyle='--', marker='o')
564 plt.yscale("log")
565 plt.legend(loc='best')
from google.colab import files
plt.savefig("Evaluation_Varying_N_Normal_X.png")
568 files.download("Evaluation_Varying_N_Normal_X.png")
569 plt.show()
570
_{\rm 571} """##Evaluation in terms of K
varying value of K from 1000 to 8000 with step size of 1000
573
575 comp_time_K_prox = []
576 comp_time_K_sgd = []
577 comp_time_K_subg = []
for K in range (1000,8000,1000):
579
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N, J = 1000, 30 # N = number of samples, J = features, K = tasks
     n_relevant_features = 5
     coef = np.zeros((K, J))
582
     c = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, K // 2)
583
     for k in range(n_relevant_features):
584
         coef[:K // 2, k] = np.sin((1. + rng.randn(1)) * c + 2 * rng.randn(1))
585
         coef[K // 2:, k] = coef[:K // 2, k]
586
587
     X = rng.randn(N, J)
588
     \#X=np.random.normal(0, 1, size=(N, J))
589
     y = np.dot(X, coef.T) + rng.randn(N, K)
590
     X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=.7,
591
592
                                                           random state=42)
593
     G = np.identity(K)
594
     grad_func=1
595
     for j in range(K // 2):
596
         G[j, K // 2 + j] = G[K // 2 + j, j] = 1.0
597
     start_time = time.time()
     print("K = {0} for Proximal Gradient Function".format(K))
599
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, verbose=True, max_iterations=1000, lambda_val
600
       =2., epsilon=1.,grad_func=1).fit(X, y)
     end_time = time.time()
601
     comp_time_K_prox.append(end_time - start_time)
602
     grad_func=2
603
604
     print("K = {0} for Stochastic Gradient Function".format(K))
605
     start_time = time.time()
606
     1r = 0.5
     n iter = 50
608
     theta = np.random.randn(J+1,1)
     X_b = np.c_[np.ones((len(X),1)),X]
610
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, theta, X_b, lr, n_iter=n_iter, verbose=True,
611
       max_iterations=1000, lambda_val=2., epsilon=1,grad_func=2).fit(X, y)
     end_time = time.time()
612
613
     comp_time_K_sgd.append(end_time - start_time)
614
615
     print("K = {0} for Stochastic Sub-Gradient Function".format(K))
     start_time = time.time()
616
     gflasso_model = GraphFusedLasso(G, verbose=True,grad_func=3, n_iter=50).fit(X, y)
617
     end_time = time.time()
618
619
    comp_time_K_subg.append(end_time - start_time)
620 print(comp_time_K_prox)
621 print(comp_time_K_subg)
622
623 # Random X
624 #comp_time_K_prox = [121.5137665271759, 352.7910442352295, 724.7827446460724,
       1318.319215297699, 2183.0467767715454, 3340.735093355179, 4900.298081159592]
625 #comp_time_K_subg = [17.646416425704956, 95.27220606803894, 275.81103587150574,
       608.4826486110687, 1161.9301245212555, 1950.5011146068573, 3049.594600915909]
626
627 #Normal Distribution X
comp_{time_K_prox} = [113.9111864566803, 337.96793007850647, 690.1005334854126,
       1258.1055722236633, 2082.5863206386566, 3180.7012462615967, 4724.101638555527]
629 comp_time_K_subg = [16.972026824951172, 93.48991560935974, 264.95730996131897,
       585.7650554180145, 1104.0863575935364, 1890.8375437259674, 2961.358941078186]
a = [pow(10, i) for i in range(10)]
632 fig = plt.figure()
634 \text{ K_new} = []
635 for i in range (1000,8000,1000):
636 K_new.append(i)
637
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plt.plot(K_new, comp_time_K_prox, label='Prox_grad', linestyle='--', marker='o')
plt.plot(K_new, comp_time_K_subg, label='SubGrad', linestyle='--', marker='o')
plt.yscale("log")
plt.legend(loc='best')
from google.colab import files
plt.savefig("Evaluation_Varying_K_Normal_X.png")
files.download("Evaluation_Varying_K_Normal_X.png")
plt.show()
```