

CS221 Fall 2015 Homework [number]

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Problem 1

(a) $\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \sum_{i=1}^n (\omega_i x - \omega_i b_i) = 0$

$x = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i b_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i}$ minimizes the function.

If some ω_i 's are negative, then second derivative of $f(x)$ could be negative. Therefore, the value x obtained from the expression above could be the maximum instead of the minimum.

(b) We need to refactor the expressions

$$f(x) = \max_{a \in \{1, -1\}} a \sum_{j=1}^d x_j = |\sum_{j=1}^d x_j|$$

$$g(x) = \sum_{j=1}^d \max_{a \in \{1, -1\}} a x_j = \sum_{j=1}^d |x_j|$$

According to the triangle inequality, $g(x) \geq f(x)$

(c) Use the geometric distribution

The expected number of rolls before stopping is $\frac{1}{\frac{1}{3}} = 3$. For each roll, the chance of getting r points is $\frac{1}{6}$. Thus the expected number of points is $3 \times \frac{1}{6}r = \frac{1}{2}r$

(d) Take the derivative of $\log L(p)$:

$$\frac{d \log L(p)}{dp} = \frac{d(2 \log(p) + 3 \log(1-p))}{dp} = 0$$

$$\text{So } \frac{2}{p} = \frac{3}{1-p} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{p} - \frac{3}{1-p} = 0 \Rightarrow p = \frac{2}{5}$$

If we take the second derivative, then we have $\frac{-2}{p^2} - \frac{3}{(1-p)^2}$ which is -20.8 at the p we computed above. Thus it is a maximum point.

(e) $\nabla f(\mathbf{w}) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (a_i^\top - b_j^\top)(a_i^\top \mathbf{w} - b_j^\top \mathbf{w}) + 2\lambda \mathbf{w}$,

Problem 2

(a) A rectangle has $(n-a+1)(n-b+1)$ placements if it is $a \times b$. Therefore the number of possible placements of a rectangle is $O(n^2)$.

Because both a and b are in the range $[1, n]$, a rectangle has $O(n^2)$ different possible dimensions.

Therefore for one rectangle there are $O(n^4)$ ways to place it.

For 5 rectangles, it should be in the order of $(n^4)^5 = n^{20}$. Thus it's $O(n^{20})$.

(b) The algorithm looks like:

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min_cost={}
def 2b(i):
    if i==n:
        return 0
    if min_cost[i] already exists:
        return min_cost[i]
    else:
        answer=MAX_INT
        for j in range(i+1,n+1):
            answer=min(answer,c(i,j)+2b(j))
        min_cost[i]=answer
        return answer

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This algorithm has a time complexity of $O(n^2)$ with dynamic programming.

(c) If we draw out the rectangle and fill out each block with the number of ways to get there from the upper-left, then it is quite obvious that there are $\frac{(2n-2)!}{((n-1)!)^2}$ ways.

(d) Since \mathbf{w} is independent of the summations, just factor it out. We get:

$$f(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w}^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (a_i^\top - b_j^\top)^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^d \mathbf{w}_i$$

In preprocessing we can calculate

$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (a_i^\top - b_j^\top)^2$ first, which takes $O(nd^2)$ time. Then for any given \mathbf{w} we can simply compute $\sum_{i=1}^d \mathbf{w}_i$, which takes $O(d^2)$ time.