

MDM-2024 Homework N

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1 Methods

2 Minimum, Maximum, and Mean Distances

Present the plots of minimum, maximum and mean distances for each L_p and discuss the results. How the curves are behaving when k increases? Can you characterize the form of curves? What is the effect of p ? If a curve seems to be converging, tell also the value that it is approaching.

2.1 Min-Max-Mean Distance

P values lower than 1 grow polynomially. The following shows the proportionality.

$$\forall p < 1, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^k |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \propto k^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad (1)$$

and p value 1 grows linearly.

$$\forall p = 1, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^k |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \propto k \quad (2)$$

P values greater than 1 grow as p roots of k. The reasoning comes from the norm equation:

$$\forall p > 1, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^k |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \propto \sqrt[p]{k} \quad (3)$$

For all the curves, they can be formulated as curves according to their growth rate, polynomial, linear, or p-root. For the ∞ -norm, the curve can be formulated as a multiplicative inverse curve approaching 1 as k approaches infinity.

All the norms except for L_∞ diverge as k increases. However, the L_∞ converges to number one. Mathematically, this follows from the equation for the L_∞ norm. The values generated are between 0 and 1 and thus the maximum value will be one as k approaches infinity.

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \max_{i=1, \dots, k} |x_i| = 1 \quad (4)$$

3 Variance of Distance

Present the variance plots for each L_p and discuss the results. How the curves are behaving when k increases? Can you characterize the form of curves? What is the effect of p ? If a curve seems to be converging, tell also the value that it is approaching.

For all the quasinorms, i.e, norms $p \leq 1$. The variance grows polynomially. Since the data is a sample of random datapoints, the sample variance is used.

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2$$

$$\text{Var}_{\text{sample}}(\|\mathbf{x}\|_p) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^k \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^k |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} - \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^k |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right] \right)^2 \right) \quad (5)$$

Similar to the min-max-mean distance, the variance grows polynomially for all $p \leq 1$. When $p = 1$, the variance grows linearly. And when $p = 2$, the variance grows proportionally to a $\frac{1}{\log(k)}$ function. (or polynomial??).

The interesting case was the norms p between 1 and 2. For those norms, the variance goes to infinity but much slower than for the $p=1$ linear growth.

All variances larger or equal to 2 converge to 0 as k increases.

In summary, the curves with $p \leq 1$ can be characterized as polynomial curves. The curves with $1 < p < 2 \propto k^{1/p}$

Should we add images??