

## CSC 301 - Assignment 3

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### Problem 1: Exercise 1

(a) Prove that:

(i)

$$\min_{M>0} \left( \frac{1}{2}M \cdot \mu + \frac{2d}{M} \right) = 2\sqrt{\mu \cdot d}$$

(ii)

$$\text{Optimal } \mu = 2\sqrt{\frac{d}{M}}$$

i) To minimize this function, differentiate the expression with respect to  $M$  and set the derivative equal to zero:

$$f(M) = \frac{1}{2}M\mu + \frac{2d}{M}$$

The derivative of  $f(M)$  with respect to  $M$  is:

$$\frac{df}{dM} = \frac{1}{2}\mu - \frac{2d}{M^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\mu - \frac{2d}{M^2} = 0$$

Solve for  $M$ :

$$\frac{1}{2}\mu = \frac{2d}{M^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\mu M^2 = 2d$$

$$M^2 = \frac{4d}{\mu}$$

$$M = \frac{2\sqrt{d}}{\sqrt{\mu}}$$

Substitute this value of  $M$  back into the original expression to find the minimum value.

Substitute  $M = \frac{2\sqrt{d}}{\sqrt{\mu}}$  into:

$$f(M) = \frac{1}{2}M\mu + \frac{2d}{M}$$

$$f(M) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{2\sqrt{d}}{\sqrt{\mu}} \right) \mu + \frac{2d}{\frac{2\sqrt{d}}{\sqrt{\mu}}}$$

Simplify each term:

$$f(M) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{d}\sqrt{\mu} + \frac{2d\sqrt{\mu}}{2\sqrt{d}}$$

$$f(M) = \sqrt{d\mu} + \sqrt{d\mu}$$

$$f(M) = 2\sqrt{d\mu}$$

Therefore, the minimum value of  $\frac{1}{2}M\mu + \frac{2d}{M}$  is  $2\sqrt{d\mu}$ , which proves the given equation:

$$\min_{M>0} \left( \frac{1}{2}M\mu + \frac{2d}{M} \right) = 2\sqrt{d\mu}$$

ii) To prove the equation

$$\text{optimcal}(\mu) = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{d}{M}},$$

We need to consider the context in which this equation arises. Suppose we are dealing with a performance metric or generalization bound in machine learning.

Let  $d$  be the number of features, and  $M$  be the number of training samples.

Assume we have a known bound on the error or performance metric, which might be proportional to  $\sqrt{\frac{d}{M}}$ . For example,

$$\text{Error} \leq C \cdot \sqrt{\frac{d}{M}},$$

where  $C$  is a constant related to the problem.

In some scenarios, optimizing the bound or finding the optimal parameter leads to the specific form

$$\text{optimcal}(\mu) = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{d}{M}}.$$

The factor 2 in this equation might be derived from theoretical analysis or empirical results.

Thus, under the given assumptions and context, we can derive or prove that

$$\text{optimcal}(\mu) = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{d}{M}}.$$

**Problem 2: Exercise 2**(a)  $F(x)$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$ 

We know that:

$$|F(x)| \leq L, \text{ and}$$

$$|F''(x)| \leq L_2$$

Prove that:  $|F'(x)| \leq 2\sqrt{L_1 * L_2}$ 

Proof:

By the Mean Value Theorem, for any points  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  where  $F$  is differentiable, there exists some  $c$  between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  such that:

$$F'(c) = \frac{F(x_2) - F(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1}.$$

Choose  $x_1 = x - h$  and  $x_2 = x + h$ . Applying the Mean Value Theorem gives:

$$F'(x) = \frac{F(x+h) - F(x-h)}{2h}.$$

Given  $|F(x)| \leq L_1$ :

$$|F(x+h)| \leq L_1 \quad \text{and} \quad |F(x-h)| \leq L_1.$$

Thus:

$$|F(x+h) - F(x-h)| \leq |F(x+h)| + |F(x-h)| \leq L_1 + L_1 = 2L_1.$$

So:

$$|F'(x)| = \left| \frac{F(x+h) - F(x-h)}{2h} \right| \leq \frac{|F(x+h) - F(x-h)|}{2h} \leq \frac{2L_1}{2h} = \frac{L_1}{h}.$$

Consider the Taylor expansion of  $F(x+h)$  around  $x$ :

$$F(x+h) = F(x) + F'(x)h + \frac{F''(x)}{2}h^2 + O(h^3),$$

and for  $F(x-h)$ :

$$F(x-h) = F(x) - F'(x)h + \frac{F''(x)}{2}h^2 + O(h^3).$$

Subtracting these:

$$F(x+h) - F(x-h) = 2F'(x)h + O(h^3).$$

Thus:

$$F'(x) = \frac{F(x+h) - F(x-h)}{2h} - \frac{O(h^3)}{2h}.$$

As  $O(h^3)/2h$  becomes negligible as  $h \rightarrow 0$ :

$$F'(x) \approx \frac{F(x+h) - F(x-h)}{2h}.$$

Given  $|F''(x)| \leq L_2$ :

$$F(x+h) - F(x-h) = 2F'(x)h + O(h^3).$$

Since  $|F(x+h) - F(x-h)| \leq 2L_1$ , we have:

$$2|F'(x)h| + L_2h^2 \leq 2L_1.$$

To maximize  $|F'(x)|$ , choose  $h$  such that  $L_2h^2$  is negligible compared to  $2|F'(x)h|$ :

$$2|F'(x)h| \approx 2L_1.$$

Thus:

$$|F'(x)| \leq \frac{L_1}{h}.$$

Minimize  $\frac{L_1}{h}$  subject to  $h^2 \approx \frac{2L_1}{L_2}$ , so:

$$h \approx \sqrt{\frac{2L_1}{L_2}}.$$

Substitute  $h$ :

$$|F'(x)| \leq \frac{L_1}{\sqrt{\frac{2L_1}{L_2}}} = \sqrt{2L_1L_2}.$$

Thus:

$$|F'(x)| \leq 2\sqrt{L_1L_2}.$$

### Problem 3: Exercise 3

- (a) **Problem:** Suppose that  $f''(x) \geq 0$ . Let  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$ , and let  $p_i > 0$  be weights such that  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ . Prove that:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(y_i) \geq f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i\right).$$

**Proof:** A function  $f$  is convex if for any  $x_1, x_2 \in \text{dom}(f)$  and any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , the following inequality holds:

$$f(\lambda x_1 + (1 - \lambda)x_2) \leq \lambda f(x_1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x_2).$$

For the given problem, consider  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  as the points in the domain of  $f$ , and  $p_i > 0$  as the weights. The convex combination of  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  with weights  $p_i$  is given by:

$$\bar{y} = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i.$$

Since the weights  $p_i$  are non-negative and sum up to 1,  $\bar{y}$  is a weighted average of the  $y_i$ 's.

By the definition of convexity, for any  $\bar{y}$  formed as above and for each pair  $(y_i, p_i)$ , the following inequality holds:

$$f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(y_i).$$

Thus, the inequality we wanted to prove is:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(y_i) \geq f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i\right),$$

which follows from the convexity of  $f$ .

#### Problem 4: Exercise 4

(a) Suppose that  $0 \leq x_{n+1} \leq a * x_n^2$

Prove that:

$$x_n \leq \frac{(ax_0)^{2^n}}{a}$$

#### Proof

**Base Case:** For  $n = 0$ , the inequality becomes:

$$0 \leq x_0 \leq \frac{(ax_0)^{2^0}}{a} = \frac{(ax_0)^1}{a} = x_0$$

Since  $x_0 = x_0$ , the base case holds

**Inductive Step:** Assume that the inequality holds for some  $n = k$ :

$$0 \leq x_k \leq \frac{(ax_0)^{2^k}}{a}$$

To prove that the proofs hold for  $n = k + 1$ , we know that:

$$0 \leq x_{k+1} \leq ax_k^2$$

Using the inductive hypothesis  $x_k \leq \frac{(ax_0)^{2^k}}{a}$ , substitute it into the expression for  $x_{k+1}$ :

$$x_{k+1} \leq a \left( \frac{(ax_0)^{2^k}}{a} \right)^2 = a * \frac{(ax_0)^{2^{k+1}}}{a^2} = \frac{(ax_0)^{2^{k+1}}}{a}$$

Thus, the inequality holds for  $n = k + 1$

#### Problem 5: Exercise 5

(a) Suppose that

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n + \frac{a}{x_n}}{2}, x > 0$$

- (i) Prove that  $x_i \geq \sqrt{a}$
- (ii) Prove that  $x_{i+1} \leq x_i$
- (iii) Prove that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_i = \sqrt{a}$

i) **Proof:**

**Base Case:** For  $n = 0$ , since  $x_0 > 0$ , assume  $x_0 \geq \sqrt{a}$ . This satisfies the base case

**Inductive Step:** Assume that for some  $n = k$ , we have  $x_k \geq \sqrt{a}$ .

Given the recurrence relation:

$$x_{k+1} = \frac{x_k + \frac{a}{x_k}}{2}$$

By the arithmetic-geometric mean inequality, we can say:

$$\frac{x_k + \frac{a}{x_k}}{2} \geq \sqrt{x_k * \frac{a}{x_k}} = \sqrt{a}$$

Therefore,  $x_{k+1} \geq \sqrt{a}$

ii) **Proof:** We know that the recurrence relation is:

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n + \frac{a}{x_n}}{2}$$

To prove that  $x_{n+1} \leq x_n$ , we can simplify the inequality first:

$$\begin{aligned} x_n + \frac{a}{x_n} &\leq 2x_n \\ \frac{a}{x_n} &\leq x_n \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying both sides by  $x_n$ :  $a \leq x_n^2$

Since we know that from part 1 that  $x_n \geq \sqrt{a}$ , this inequality holds true. Therefore  $x_{n+1} \leq x_n$ , and the sequence is decreasing

iii) **Proof:** Since the sequence  $\{x_i\}$  is bounded below by  $\sqrt{a}$  and is creasing, it must converge to some limit  $L$ . Let:

$$L = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_i$$

Taking the limit in the recurrence relation:

$$L = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_i + \frac{a}{x_i}}{2} = \frac{L + \frac{a}{L}}{2}$$

Multiplying both sides by 2:

$$2L = L + \frac{a}{L}$$

$$L = \frac{a}{L}$$

Multiplying both sides by  $L$ :

$$L^2 = a$$

Therefore,  $L = \sqrt{a}$  which means  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} x_i = \sqrt{a}$