

Denoising Error Formulation

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We introduce the following variables and functions:

- m different functions, each representing a denoising algorithm: ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_m , where $\phi_j : S_{[0,1]} \rightarrow S_{[0,1]}$, where $S_{[0,1]}$ is the set of finite sequences of real numbers in $[0, 1]$. Can be expressed as $\phi : S_{[0,1]} \rightarrow S_{[0,1]}^m$, where $\phi(x) = (\phi_1(x), \dots, \phi_m(x))$ and $\phi(x)_\ell = (\phi_1(x)_\ell, \dots, \phi_m(x)_\ell)$.
- N input/output pairs: $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N) \in S_{[0,1]}^2$, where the sequences in each pair are the same size. For each input pair (x_i, y_i) , let $k_i = \text{length}(x_i) = \text{length}(y_i)$. Each sequence can then be indexed as $x_i = (x_{i,1}, \dots, x_{i,k_i})$.
- The weight vector for the classifiers: $w \in [0, 1]^m$ such that $\sum_{j=1}^m w_j = 1$.

We wish to minimize the following quantity:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^N \text{err}(y_i, w^T \phi(x_i)) &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{k_i} \sum_{\ell=1}^{k_i} (y_{i,\ell} - w^T \phi(x_i)_\ell)^2 && \text{ERROR FUNCTION} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{k_i} \sum_{\ell=1}^{k_i} (y_{i,\ell}^2 - 2y_{i,\ell} w^T \phi(x_i)_\ell + (w^T \phi(x_i)_\ell)^2) && \text{SQUARE EXPANSION} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{k_i} \sum_{\ell=1}^{k_i} (y_{i,\ell}^2 + L_{i,\ell}^T w + w^T \phi(x_i)_\ell \phi(x_i)_\ell^T w) && \begin{array}{l} \text{SUBSTITUTION} \\ x^T y = y^T x \text{ for } x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{array} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{k_i} \sum_{\ell=1}^{k_i} (y_{i,\ell}^2 + L_{i,\ell}^T w + w^T Q_{i,\ell} w) && \text{SUBSTITUTION} \\
 &= w^T Q w + L^T w + \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{k_i} \|y_i\|_2^2 && \begin{array}{l} \text{SUBSTITUTION} \\ \text{L2-NORM DEFINITION} \end{array}
 \end{aligned}$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \forall i, \ell, \quad L_{i,\ell} &:= -2y_{i,\ell} \phi(x_i)_\ell, \quad Q_{i,\ell} := \phi(x_i)_\ell \phi(x_i)_\ell^T \\
 L &:= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{k_i} \sum_{\ell=1}^{k_i} L_{i,\ell}, \quad Q := \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{k_i} \sum_{\ell=1}^{k_i} Q_{i,\ell}
 \end{aligned}$$

We can then solve the following quadratic program:

$$\min_w w^T Q w + L^T w \quad \text{such that:} \quad \sum_{j=1}^m w_j = 1$$
$$\forall j, w_j \geq 0$$