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Q.1.

Prove for any w, z

$$\langle w, z \rangle \leq \|w\| \|z\|_*$$

If $\|z\|$ is a norm, its dual norm $\|z\|_*$ is

$$\|z\|_* = \sup u^T z \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where u represents a vector such that $\|u\| \leq 1$

For any two vectors, w and z , inner product can be represented as

$$\langle w, z \rangle = w^T z \quad \text{where } * \text{ represents element-wise product.}$$

$$w^T z = \|w\| \frac{w^T z}{\|w\|} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$\frac{w^T}{\|w\|}$ is a unit vector or we can

$$\text{write that :- } \left\| \frac{w^T}{\|w\|} \right\| = 1$$

Therefore we can say that u satisfies this condition and hence let

$$\|u\| = \left\| \frac{w^T}{\|w\|} \right\| \leq 1 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Substituting ③ in ②, we get

$$\omega^T z = \|\omega\| u^T z \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Since u^T is a unit vector, therefore from ①

$$u^T z \leq \sup u^T z = \|z\|_* \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

Putting in eq. ④,

$$\omega^T z = \|\omega\| u^T z \leq \|\omega\| \|z\|_*$$

$$\omega^T z \leq \|\omega\| \|z\|_*$$

$$\langle \omega, z \rangle \leq \|\omega\| \|z\|_*$$

Hence proved.

Question 2 :

The regret of A on each period of 2^m rounds is upper bounded by:-

$$R_m \leq \alpha \sqrt{2^m}$$

Therefore, the total regret if we stop after m rounds is given by summing R_m for each round.

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\lceil \log_2(m) \rceil} R_m = \text{Total Regret after } m \text{ rounds}$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^{\lceil \log_2(m) \rceil} \alpha \sqrt{2^m}$$

$$= \alpha \sum \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2^1} + \sqrt{2^2} + \dots + \sqrt{2^{\lceil \log_2(m) \rceil}}$$

$$= \alpha \frac{1 - \sqrt{2}^{\log_2(m) + 1}}{1 - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \alpha \frac{1 - \sqrt{2} \left(2^{\frac{1}{2} \log_2(m)} \right)}{1 - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \alpha \frac{1 - \sqrt{2m}}{1 - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$R = \alpha \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} - 1} \frac{\sqrt{2m} - 1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$R \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} - 1} \alpha \sqrt{m}$$

Hence proved.

Question 3:

Q.3

We know that for OGD:

Input $\eta > 0$

initialise $\theta_1 = 0$

for $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

update rule: $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \eta z_t$

$$= \theta_t - \eta \partial f_t(\theta_t)$$

since $z_t \in \partial f_t(\theta_t)$

Given for online Mirror Descent :-

Input: A link function defined as

$$g: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow S$$

such that $g(\theta) = \eta \theta$

Initialize: $\theta_1 = 0$

for $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

predict $w_t = \eta \theta_t$

update rule $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - z_t$ where $z_t \in \partial f_t(w_t)$

$$= \theta_t - \partial f_t(w_t)$$

$$= \theta_t - \partial f_t(\eta \theta_t)$$

$$= \theta_t - \eta \partial f_t(\theta_t)$$

Hence, by taking $g(\theta) = \eta \theta$, the same update rule is obtained as the online gradient descent.