## Exercise sheet

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## Part I

## Stochastic learning

**Exercise 1.**  $(\star)$ Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(w) = g(\langle w, x \rangle + y)$  or some  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ . If g is convex function then f is convex function.

**Exercise 2.** (\*)Let functions  $g_1$  be  $\rho_1$ -Lipschitz and  $g_2$  be  $\rho_2$ -Lipschitz. Then f with  $f(x) = g_1(g_2(x))$  is  $\rho_1\rho_2$ -Lipschitz.

**Exercise 3.**  $(\star)$ Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  with  $f(w) = g(\langle w, x \rangle + y)$   $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be a  $\beta$ -smooth function. Then f is a  $(\beta ||x||^2)$ -smooth.

**Hint:** You may use Cauchy-Schwarz inequality  $\langle y, x \rangle \leq ||y|| \, ||x||$ 

**Exercise 4.**  $(\star)f: S \to \mathbb{R}$  is  $\rho$ -Lipschitz over an open convex set S if and only if for all  $w \in S$  and  $v \in \partial f(w)$  it is  $||v|| \le \rho$ .

**Hint:** You may use Cauchy-Schwarz inequality  $\langle y, x \rangle \leq ||y|| \, ||x||$ 

**Exercise 5.** (\*)Let  $g_1(w), ..., g_r(w)$  be r convex functions, and let  $g(\cdot) = \max_{\forall j} (g_j(\cdot))$ . Show that for some w it is  $\nabla g_k(w) \in \partial g(w)$  where  $k = \arg \max_j (g_j(w))$  is the index of function  $g_j(\cdot)$  presenting the greatest value at w.

The following is given as a homework (Formative assessment 1)

**Exercise 6.** (\*)Consider the binary classification problem with inputs  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  where  $\mathcal{X} := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : ||x||_2 \leq L\}$  for some given value L > 0, target  $y \in \mathcal{Y}$  where  $\mathcal{Y} := \{-1, +1\}$ , and prediction rule  $h_w : \mathbb{R}^d \to \{-1, +1\}$  with

$$h_w(x) = \operatorname{sign}\left(w^{\top}x\right) \tag{1}$$

$$= \operatorname{sign}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{d} w_j x_j\right) \tag{2}$$

Let the hypothesis class of prediction rules be

$$\mathcal{H} = \left\{ x \to w^{\top} x : \forall w \in \mathbb{R}^d \right\}$$

In other words, the hypothesis  $h_w \in \mathcal{H}$  is parametrized by  $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$  it receives an input vector  $x \in \mathcal{X} := \mathbb{R}^d$  and it returns the label  $y = \text{sign}(w^\top x) \in \mathcal{Y} := \{\pm 1\}$ .

Consider a loss function  $\ell: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}_+$  with

$$\ell(w, z = (x, y)) = \max(0, 1 - yw^{\top}x) + \lambda ||x||_{2}^{2}$$
(3)

for some given value  $\lambda > 0$ .

Assume there is available a dataset of examples  $S_n = \{z_i = (x_i, y_i); i = 1, ..., n\}$  of size n. Do the following tasks.

**Hint-1:** We denote

$$\operatorname{sign}(\xi) = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } \xi \le 0\\ +1, & \text{if } \xi > 0 \end{cases}$$

**Hint-2:** The notation  $\pm 1$  means either -1 or +1.

**HInt-3:** We define  $\mathbb{R}_+ := (0, +\infty)$ 

**Hint-4:** We denote  $||x||_2 := \sqrt{\sum_{\forall j} (x_j)^2}$  the Euclidean distance.

1. Show that the function  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $f(x) = \max(0, 1 - x)$  is convex in  $\mathbb{R}$ ; and show that the loss (??) is convex.

Hint: You may use Example 13 from Handout 1.

2. Show that the loss  $\ell$  (??) is L-Lipschitz when  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  where  $\mathcal{X} := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : ||x||_2 \leq L\}$ 

- **Hint:** You may use the definition of Lipschitz function. Without loss of generality, you can consider any  $w_1 \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $w_2 \in \mathbb{R}^d$  such that  $1 yw_2^\top x \le 1 yw_1^\top x$ , and then take cases  $1 yw_2^\top x > \text{or} < 0$  and  $1 yw_1^\top x > \text{or} < 0$  to deal with the max.
- 3. Construct the set of sub-gradients  $\partial f(x)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  of the function  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $f(x) = \max(0, 1-x)$ . Show that the vector v with

$$v = \begin{cases} 2\lambda x, & yw^{\top}x < 1\\ 2\lambda x, & yw^{\top}x = 1\\ -yx + 2\lambda x, & yw^{\top}x > 1 \end{cases}$$

is  $v \in \partial_w \ell(w, z = (x, y))$ , aka a sub-gradient of  $\ell(w, z = (x, y))$  at w, for any  $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

4. Write down the algorithm of online AdaGrad (Adaptive Stochastic Gradient Descent) with learning rate  $\eta_t > 0$ , batch size m, and termination criterion  $t > T_{\text{max}}$  for some  $T_{\text{max}} > 0$  in order to discover  $w^*$  such as

$$w^* = \arg\min_{\forall w: h_w \in \mathcal{H}} \left( \mathbb{E}_{z \sim g} \left( \ell \left( w, z = (x, y) \right) \right) \right)$$
 (4)

The formulas in your algorithm have to be tailored to ??.

- 5. Use the R code given below in order to generate the dataset of observed examples  $S_n = \{z_i = (x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  that contains  $n = 10^6$  examples with inputs x of dimension d = 2. Consider  $\lambda = 0$ . Use a seed  $w^{(0)} = (0, 0)^{\top}$ .
  - (a) By using suitable values for m,  $\eta_t$  and  $T_{\text{max}}$ , code the algorithm you designed in part ??, and run it.
  - (b) Plot the trace plots for each of the dimensions of the generated chain  $\{w^{(t)}\}$  against the iteration t.
  - (c) Report the value of the output  $w_{\text{adaGrad}}^*$  (any type) of the algorithm as the solution to (??).
  - (d) To which cluster y (i.e., -1 or 1)  $x_{\text{new}} = (1,0)^{\top}$  belongs?

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# R code. Run it before you run anything else
#
data_generating_model <- function(n,w) {</pre>
z <- rep( NaN, times=n*3 )</pre>
z \leftarrow matrix(z, nrow = n, ncol = 3)
z[,1] \leftarrow rep(1,times=n)
z[,2] <- runif(n, min = -10, max = 10)
p \leftarrow w[1]*z[,1] + w[2]*z[,2] p \leftarrow exp(p) / (1+exp(p))
z[,3] \leftarrow rbinom(n, size = 1, prob = p)
ind <-(z[,3]==0)
z[ind,3] < -1
x < z[,1:2]
y < -z[,3]
return(list(z=z, x=x, y=y))
n_obs <- 1000000
w_{true} <- c(-3,4)
set.seed(2023)
out <- data_generating_model(n = n_obs, w = w_true)</pre>
set.seed(0)
z_{obs} \leftarrow out$z #z=(x,y)
x \leftarrow \text{out}
y <- out$y
#z_obs2=z_obs
\#z_obs2[z_obs[,3]==-1,3]=0
\#w\_true \leftarrow as.numeric(glm(z\_obs2[,3]^ 1+ z\_obs2[,2],family = "binomial"
)$coefficients)
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