## Networked Life: Homework 2

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## 1. Answer:

First we calculated the mean of all filled entries to be 3.125. Then we identified matrix A and c as below, and calculate b based on exact solution.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1$$

Then we calculate the baseline predictor  $\hat{R}$ :

$$\hat{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.46 & 4.64 & 4.27 & 5.27 \\ 1.73 & 1.91 & 1.55 & 2.55 \\ 2.55 & 2.73 & 2.36 & 3.36 \\ 3 & 3.18 & 2.82 & 3.82 \\ 3 & 3.18 & 2.82 & 3.82 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 2. Answer:

First we calculated  $\tilde{R}$  by calculating the discrepancy between R and  $\hat{R}$ :

$$\tilde{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.55 & - & 0.73 & -1.27 \\ - & -0.91 & -0.55 & 1.45 \\ 1.45 & -1.73 & -0.36 & 0.64 \\ 0 & 0.82 & - & -0.82 \\ -2 & 1.82 & 0.18 & - \end{bmatrix}$$

Then using formula  $d_{ij} = \frac{\tilde{r}_i^T \tilde{r}_j}{\|\tilde{r}_i\|_2 \|\tilde{r}_j\|_2}$ , we can get all pairs of  $d_{ij}$ :

$$d_{AB} = -0.94, d_{AC} = -0.24, d_{AD} = 0.09$$

$$d_{BC} = 0.80, d_{BD} = -0.82, d_{CD} = -0.98$$

Now we can obtain the  $\hat{R}$  considering neighbourhood:

$$\hat{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.31 & 4.94 & 4.97 & 4.88 \\ 2.56 & 1.23 & 0.34 & 3.26 \\ 4.00 & 1.65 & 1.24 & 4.35 \\ 2.35 & 3.56 & 3.64 & 3.45 \\ 1.51 & 4.25 & 3.64 & 2.89 \end{bmatrix}$$

## 3. Answer:

(a) Using the formula  $b = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T c$ , the b vector without regularization is:

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 1.04 \\ 0.21 \\ 0.54 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Taking derivative of the expression with regularization:

$$\frac{d(\|Ab - c\|_2^2\| + \lambda \|b\|_2^2)}{db} = 2b^T (A^T A) - 2c^T A + 2\lambda b^T = 0$$
$$b^T (A^T A) - \lambda b^T = c^T A$$
$$(A^T A - \lambda I)b = c^T A$$
$$b = (A^T A - \lambda I)^{-1} A^T c$$

Varying  $\lambda$  from 0 to 5.0, we solved b using each  $\lambda$  and plotted the two curves against  $\lambda$ . We can observe that as we increase  $\lambda$ , the norm of vector b will be constrained to be smaller, and the error term will be larger.

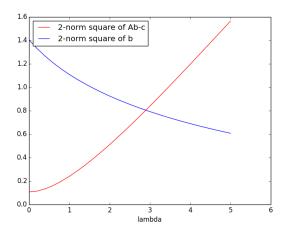


Figure 1:  $||Ab - c||_2^2$  and  $\lambda ||b||_2^2$  against varying  $\lambda$