
Fast Training of Pose Detectors in the Fourier Domain

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A Proofs

This appendix contains proofs that were not included in the main paper to meet length requirements. See Appendix B for MATLAB code and additional figures.

A.1 Proof of Theorem 1

Though the main claim of the Theorem is the last one, there are also other claims which we will prove in turn.

The data matrix X and the uncentered covariance matrix $X^H X$ are not circulant in general.

This can be demonstrated with a simple counterexample. Consider the following transformation Q , which simply reverses the order of any 3×1 input vector:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

It is orthogonal and cyclic with period $s = 2$ ($Q^2 = Q^0 = I$).

The corresponding data matrix (Eq. 1) is not square, and thus cannot be circulant [1].

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ x_3 & x_2 & x_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

Another necessary (but not sufficient) condition for a matrix to be circulant is that **its diagonal elements are constant** [1]. By direct computation, the uncentered covariance matrix $X^H X$ fails this requirement; its diagonal elements are given by $[x_1^2 + x_3^2, 2x_2^2, x_1^2 + x_3^2]$.

The data matrix X and the uncentered covariance matrix $X^H X$ are circulant for $Q = P$.

This is an earlier result [2].

The Gram matrix $G = X X^H$ is circulant.

We have

$$G_{pr} = (Q^p \mathbf{x})^T Q^r \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T (Q^p)^{-1} Q^r \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T Q^{r-p} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T Q^{(r-p) \bmod s} \mathbf{x}, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

where the second equivalence is due to orthogonality, and the last one is due to cyclicity. The strict dependence on $(r - p) \bmod s$ implies that G is circulant [1].

A.2 Fast solution in the dual for training with multiple transformed images

We are given n sample groups, each of them containing s transformed versions of an image \mathbf{x}_i . Let us organize the data into n blocks $X(i)$, one per sample group, each block with size $s \times m$:

$$X(i) = C_Q(\mathbf{x}_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad (\text{A.4})$$

The full $ns \times m$ data matrix is obtained by vertical concatenation of all the $X(i)$. We can compute the corresponding Gram matrix easily since it is just the product of two block matrices. It is composed of n^2 blocks, each one of size $s \times s$, defined by

$$G(i, j) = X^T(i) X(j), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

The Ridge Regression (RR) problem with an $ns \times ns$ Gram matrix composed of these blocks is given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\alpha}(1) \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}(n) \end{bmatrix} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} G(1,1) & \cdots & G(1,n) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ G(n,1) & \cdots & G(n,n) \end{bmatrix} + \lambda I \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}(1) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{y}(n) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (\text{A.6})$$

where $\boldsymbol{\alpha}(i)$ are $s \times 1$ vectors of solution coefficients, and $\mathbf{y}(i)$ are $s \times 1$ vectors of target labels.

Each block $G(i, j)$ verifies Theorem 1, which means that they are circulant. As such, they are defined by their first row,

$$G(i, j) = C(\mathbf{x}_i C_Q^T(\mathbf{x}_j)). \quad (\text{A.7})$$

We can diagonalize the blocks of the Gram matrix individually, by transforming the problem (block-wise) to the Fourier domain. Eq. A.6 is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(1) \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(n) \end{bmatrix} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} \hat{G}(1,1) & \cdots & \hat{G}(1,n) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \hat{G}(n,1) & \cdots & \hat{G}(n,n) \end{bmatrix} + \lambda I \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{y}}(1) \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\mathbf{y}}(n) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (\text{A.8})$$

with the Fourier-domain variables $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(i) = U\boldsymbol{\alpha}(i)$, $\hat{\mathbf{y}}(i) = U\mathbf{y}(i)$, and

$$\hat{G}(i, j) = U^H G(i, j) U, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n, \quad (\text{A.9})$$

The identity I is unaffected by U because the latter is unitary.

Since $G(i, j)$ is circulant, $\hat{G}(i, j)$ must be diagonal, i.e.,

$$\hat{G}_{pr}(i, j) = 0, \text{ if } p \neq r. \quad (\text{A.10})$$

We can turn the Gram matrix with diagonal blocks into a block-diagonal matrix by a permutation of its rows and columns. Define s^2 blocks, each one $n \times n$, with elements obtained just by reordering the elements of $\hat{G}(i, j)$:

$$G'_{ij}(p, r) = \hat{G}_{pr}(i, j), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n. \quad (\text{A.11})$$

The two forms offer different views into the same data. $\hat{G}(i, j)$ describes the interactions through pose-space, after fixing two samples i and j . $G'(p, r)$ emphasizes the interactions between pairs of samples, for a given Fourier frequency.

Given Eq. [A.10](#) and Eq. [A.11](#) we know that the off-diagonal $G'(p, r)$ blocks must be zero, i.e.,

$$G'(p, r) = \mathbf{0}, \text{ if } p \neq r, \quad (\text{A.12})$$

with $\mathbf{0}$ denoting an $n \times n$ matrix of zeros. The RR problem in the permuted domain is then

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\alpha}'(1) \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}'(2) \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}'(s) \end{bmatrix} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} G'(1,1) & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & G'(2,2) & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & G'(s,s) \end{bmatrix} + \lambda I \right)^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}'(1) \\ \mathbf{y}'(2) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{y}'(s) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (\text{A.13})$$

where $\boldsymbol{\alpha}'_i(p) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_p(i)$ and $\mathbf{y}'_i(p) = \hat{\mathbf{y}}_p(i)$ are the remaining variables under the same permutation.

By direct computation with the rules of block matrices, we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\alpha}'(1) \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}'(2) \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha}'(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (G'(1,1) + \lambda I)^{-1} \mathbf{y}'(1) \\ (G'(2,2) + \lambda I)^{-1} \mathbf{y}'(2) \\ \vdots \\ (G'(s,s) + \lambda I)^{-1} \mathbf{y}'(s) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (\text{A.14})$$

or more concisely,

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}'(p) = (G'(p,p) + \lambda I)^{-1} \mathbf{y}'(p), \quad p = 1, \dots, s. \quad (\text{A.15})$$

Note that Eq. [A.15](#) hinges on the earlier definitions of $\boldsymbol{\alpha}'(p)$, $G'(p,p)$ and $\mathbf{y}'(p)$, which are Fourier-transformed and permuted versions of the original quantities.

A.3 Formulation using multi-dimensional arrays

To make Eq. [A.15](#) more self-contained, we can express it using multi-dimensional arrays, by tracing back the elements of $\boldsymbol{\alpha}'(p)$, $G'(p,p)$ and $\mathbf{y}'(p)$.

Define the $n \times n \times s$ array of unique inner-products \mathbf{g} , with elements

$$\mathbf{g}_{ijp} = \mathbf{x}_i^T Q^{p-1} \mathbf{x}_j. \quad (\text{A.16})$$

Also, define the $n \times s$ matrix Y , where the element Y_{ip} is the label of sample image i for pose p .

Then Eq. [A.15](#) can be implemented by taking the DFT of Y along the second dimension and the DFT of \mathbf{g} along the third dimension, i.e.,

$$\hat{Y} = \mathcal{F}_{(2)}(Y) \quad (\text{A.17})$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{g}} = \mathcal{F}_{(3)}(\mathbf{g}), \quad (\text{A.18})$$

and computing the $n \times s$ solution in the Fourier domain, \hat{A} , with

$$\hat{A}_{\bullet p} = (\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{\bullet \bullet p} + \lambda I)^{-1} \hat{Y}_{\bullet p}, \quad p = 1, \dots, s, \quad (\text{A.19})$$

where $\hat{A}_{\bullet p}$ denotes the p th column from \hat{A} (and similarly for \hat{Y}), while $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{\bullet \bullet p}$ slices the p th subarray (of size $n \times n$) along the third dimension of $\hat{\mathbf{g}}$. For reference, the slicing operator \bullet works the same way as the slicing operator $:$ in Matlab or NumPy.

Note that Eq. [A.19](#) and Eq. [A.15](#) are exactly the same, except with different notation.

We can retrieve the solution from Fourier space by taking the IDFT of \hat{A} along the second dimension,

$$A = \mathcal{F}_{(2)}^{-1} \left(\hat{A} \right). \quad (\text{A.20})$$

The element A_{ip} is the dual coefficient of sample image i for pose p .

A.4 Solution for a single classifier

Using the data matrix in Eq. A.4 and the solution in the dual from Eq. A.19,

$$\mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^n X^T(i) A_{i\bullet}. \quad (\text{A.21})$$

A.5 Solution for multiple pose classifiers

For multiple pose classifiers, we have

$$\begin{aligned} W = \left[\mathbf{w}_0 \mid \cdots \mid \mathbf{w}_{s-1} \right] &= \sum_{i=1}^n X^T(i) \left[P^0 A_{i\bullet} \mid \cdots \mid P^{s-1} A_{i\bullet} \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n X^T(i) C^T (A_{i\bullet}), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.22})$$

because permuting the rows of the labels Y results in the same permutation being applied to the rows of the solution A . Diagonalizing with U , we obtain

$$W^T = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \text{diag} \left(\hat{A}_{i\bullet}^* \right) \mathcal{F} (X(i)) \right), \quad (\text{A.23})$$

where $*$ denotes complex-conjugation. Note that a product by a diagonal matrix on the left simply amounts to multiplying each row with one of the diagonal elements.

If \hat{X} is the $m \times n \times s$ data matrix, Fourier-transformed in the third dimension, we can rewrite Eq. A.23 as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{W}_{\bullet p} &= \hat{X}_{\bullet \bullet p} \hat{A}_{\bullet p}^* \\ &= \hat{X}_{\bullet \bullet p} (\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{\bullet \bullet p} + \lambda I)^{-1} \hat{Y}_{\bullet p}^* \end{aligned}$$

for $p = 1, \dots, s$, and recover W by taking the IDFT over the second dimension.

A.6 Complex-valued Support Vector Regression in the Dual

We build on the primal solution for complex-valued Support Vector Regression (SVR) given in [2] (complex-SVR for short). We will restate it briefly. The standard L^2 -SVR, with squared ϵ -insensitive loss $|\mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{x}_j - y_j|_\epsilon = \max(0, |\mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{x}_j - y_j| - \epsilon)^2$, amounts to the following optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j=1}^n |\mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{x}_j - y_j|_\epsilon. \quad (\text{A.24})$$

It can be adapted for problems in the complex domain by defining the extended loss function [2],

$$|\mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{x} - y|_\epsilon = |\text{Re}(\mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{x} - y)|_\epsilon + |\text{Im}(\mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{x} - y)|_\epsilon, \quad (\text{A.25})$$

where $\text{Re}(\cdot)$ and $\text{Im}(\cdot)$ denote the real and imaginary parts of a complex number, respectively. This complex-SVR can be shown [2] to be equivalent to a real-valued SVR with the following change of variables:

$$\begin{aligned} X' &= \begin{bmatrix} X_R & X_I \\ X_I & -X_R \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{y}' &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_R \\ \mathbf{y}_I \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{w}' &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w}_R \\ \mathbf{w}_I \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned} \tag{A.26}$$

where, for conciseness, the subscripts R and I denote real and imaginary parts, respectively (e.g., $X_R = \text{Re}(X)$ and $X_I = \text{Im}(X)$).

The algorithm that we propose in this work encodes each sub-problem as a complex-valued Gram matrix G , not a data matrix X . This requires us to express the complex-SVR in the dual variables instead.

By direct computation, the complex-valued Gram matrix G obtained from the complex-valued X is

$$G = XX^H = X_R^2 + X_I^2 + i.(X_I X_R^T - X_R X_I^T) = G_R + i.G_I, \tag{A.27}$$

where we used i to denote a pure imaginary unity.

Again by direct computation, the real-valued Gram matrix G' obtained from the equivalent Eq. A.26 is

$$G' = X'X'^T = \begin{bmatrix} X_R^2 + X_I^2 & X_R X_I^T - X_I X_R^T \\ X_I X_R^T - X_R X_I^T & X_R^2 + X_I^2 \end{bmatrix} \tag{A.28}$$

Comparing Eq. A.27 to A.28, we see that

$$G' = \begin{bmatrix} G_R & G_I^T \\ G_I & G_R \end{bmatrix}, \tag{A.29}$$

and thus we can use Eq. A.29 to express the complex-valued G of a complex-valued SVR with an equivalent real-valued G . A simple implementation is shown in Algorithm 3 (Appendix B).

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