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AI61003 Linear Algebra for AI and ML  
Assignment 1, Due on: October 10, 2022

**ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS**

1. Let  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ \cdots \ x_n]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{1}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be the  $n$ -vector with all entries equal to one. Let  $\text{avg}(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\text{std}(\mathbf{x})$  be as defined as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{avg}(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}_n^\top \mathbf{x} \\ \text{std}(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \text{avg}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{1}_n\|_2}{\sqrt{n}}\end{aligned}$$

Then for any  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  prove the following.

- (a)  $\text{avg}(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{1}_n) = \alpha \text{avg}(\mathbf{x}) + \beta$
- (b)  $\text{std}(\alpha \mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{1}_n) = |\alpha| \text{std}(\mathbf{x})$
- (c) If  $k$  entries in  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are such that  $|x_i - \text{avg}(\mathbf{x})| \geq a$  for some  $a > 0$ , then prove

$$\frac{k}{n} \leq \left( \frac{\text{std}(\mathbf{x})}{a} \right)^2$$

2. Let  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a given vector with  $w_i > 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then for any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , define the function

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\mathbf{w}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^2}$$

Show that the function  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{w}}$  defines a norm called as weighted norm.

3. Let  $\mathbf{z} = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})$  where  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Consider that the multiplication is done using two approaches.
- (a) Approach 1: Add  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ , add  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  and then multiply  $(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y})$  to get  $\mathbf{z}$ .
  - (b) Approach 2: Compute  $\mathbf{Ax}$ ,  $\mathbf{Ay}$ ,  $\mathbf{Bx}$  and  $\mathbf{By}$  and then add these vectors to get  $\mathbf{z}$ .

What are conditions on  $m$  and  $n$  such that the second approach is computationally efficient than the first one?

4. **2-D Convolution**: Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$  be two matrices. Then the convolution of  $\mathbf{A}$  with  $\mathbf{B}$ , denoted as  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \star \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+p-1) \times (n+q-1)}$ , is defined as follows.

$$C_{rs} = \sum_{i+k=r+1, j+\ell=s+1} A_{ij} B_{k\ell}, \quad r = 1, 2, \dots, m+p-1, s = 1, 2, \dots, n+q-1$$

- (a) Generate a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of size  $8 \times 6$  randomly with entries either 0 or 1. Define

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Compute  $\mathbf{A} \star \mathbf{B}$ .

- (b) Take an image of digit zero from MNIST handwritten digit data set. Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{28 \times 28}$  be the matrix representation of this image. Let  $\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then compute  $\mathbf{A} \star \mathbf{D}$  and plot the image. Repeat the exercise for an image of digit 1 and digit 9 as well. What is the operation  $\mathbf{A} \star \mathbf{D}$  doing in the original image?
5. Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a given vector.  $\mathbf{x}$  is said to be symmetric if  $x_k = x_{n-k+1}$  and is antisymmetric if  $x_k = -x_{n-k+1}$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Show that every vector  $\mathbf{x}$  can be uniquely decomposed as  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_s + \mathbf{x}_a$  where  $\mathbf{x}_s$  is symmetric and  $\mathbf{x}_a$  is antisymmetric.
6. Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ . Prove that left inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$  exists if and only if the columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  are linearly independent.
7. Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n+1) \times (n+1)}$  be a matrix defined as follows.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_n & \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{x}^\top & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is any vector and  $\mathbf{I}_n$  is an  $n \times n$  identity matrix. Derive a condition on  $\mathbf{x}$  such that the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is invertible. Give an expression of  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  in terms of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

8. Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be a matrix with linearly independent columns and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be a given vector. Let  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be the least squares solution to the problem  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ . Then prove that for any vector  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y})^\top \mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y})^\top (\mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}})$ . Using this further prove that

$$\frac{(\mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}})^\top \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2 \|\mathbf{b}\|_2} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{b}\|_2}$$

9. Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_T$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_T$  be observed time series with the following relationship.

$$y_t \approx \hat{y}_t = \sum_{j=1}^n h_j u_{t-j+1}, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots, T,$$

where  $u_k = 0$  for  $k \leq 0$  and  $\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is unknown vector. Find a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and vector  $\mathbf{b}$  for which

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 = (y_1 - \hat{y}_1)^2 + \dots + (y_T - \hat{y}_T)^2.$$

10. **k-means clustering:** Consider  $k$ -means clustering algorithm as follows with the standard terminology and notation.

Input:  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Initial list of  $k$  cluster representatives  $\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_k$ .

Output: Cluster assignment  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_N$

Repeat until convergence

1. Cluster assignment based on cluster representatives.
2. Update cluster representatives.

- (a) In Step 1, what is the computational complexity?
- (b) In Step 2, what is the computational complexity?
- (c) Assuming 10 iterations are performed, how many number of computations are involved to obtain the cluster assignment for the given data points?

11. **Image Clustering:** Consider the MNIST database of handwritten digits. Choose 100 images of each digit from this data set. In the notation of Problem 10, determine values  $N$  and  $n$ . Fix a reasonable convergence criterion. Perform the following exercises (a),(b) and (c) in two cases:

case (i) random initialization of cluster representatives;

case(ii) choose cluster representatives from the given data set.

- (a) For  $k = 20$ , run the above algorithm to cluster the given images into 20 clusters. Plot the cluster representatives after the algorithm converges. Count the number of iterations.
- (b) Choose 50 images (not chosen previously) from the MNIST data set randomly and assign the clusters to these *test* images. What is the accuracy of cluster assignment?
- (c) For  $k = 5$  to  $k = 20$ , tabulate the values of  $J^{\text{clust}}$  and discuss what may be the optimal size of number of clusters.

Does the choice of initial condition have any effect on the performance of  $k$ -means clustering algorithm?

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