



MATH 3332 Data Analytic Tools  
Homework 3

Due date: 2 November, 6pm, Monday

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- (a) The spread of values of the vector, defined as  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \max_k x_k - \min_k x_k$ .
- (b) The difference of the last element and the first,  $f(\mathbf{x}) = x_n - x_1$ .
- (c) The median of a vector, where we will assume  $n = 2k + 1$  is odd. The median of the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  is defined as the  $(k + 1)$ -st largest number among the entries of  $\mathbf{x}$ . For example, the median of  $(7.1, 3.2, 1.5)$  is 1.5.
- (d) Vector extrapolation, defined as  $x_n + (x_n - x_{n-1})$ , for  $n \geq 2$ . (This is a simple prediction of what  $x_{n+1}$  would be, based on a straight line drawn through  $x_n$  and  $x_{n-1}$ .)

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Let  $\mathbf{y} \in V$  be given. We consider the projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  onto  $S_1 \cap S_2$ , i.e., the solution of

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in S_1 \cap S_2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|. \quad (1)$$

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$$\langle \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{x} \rangle = 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in S_1 \cap S_2. \quad (2)$$

- (c) Find an explicit solution of (1).
- (d) Prove the solution found in part (c) is unique.

3. Let  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$  be given with  $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$ . Assume  $N < n$ , and  $\mathbf{x}_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , are linearly independent. Consider the ridge regression

$$\min_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=1}^N (\langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{x}_i \rangle - y_i)^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{a}\|_2^2,$$

where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  is a regularization parameter, and we set the bias  $b = 0$  for simplicity.

- (a) Prove that the solution must be in the form of  $\mathbf{a} = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i \mathbf{x}_i$  for some  $\mathbf{c} = [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_N]^T \in \mathbb{R}^N$ .  
*(Hint: Similar to the proof of the representer theorem.)*

- (b) Re-express the minimization in terms of  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ , which has fewer unknowns than the original formulation.

4. (You don't need to do anything.) You can find many resources on Kernel Ridge Regression online.

- A matlab implementation and demonstration:  
<https://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/63122-kernel-ridge-regression>
- Application in business forecasting:  
<http://businessforecastblog.com/kernel-ridge-regression-example-spreadsheet/>

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$$(a). \quad f(\mathbf{x}) = \max_k x_k - \min_k x_k$$

Let  $\mathbf{x} = (1, 0, 0, \dots)$ ,  $\mathbf{y} = (0, 1, 0, 0, \dots) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$\underbrace{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{all terms are 0}}$        $\underbrace{\mathbf{y}}_{\text{all terms are 0}}$

$$\text{So } f(\mathbf{x}) = 1 - 0 = 1, \quad f(\mathbf{y}) = 1 - 0 = 1$$

Now  $\alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{y} = \alpha(1, 0, 0, \dots) + \beta(0, 1, 0, 0, \dots) = (\alpha, \beta, 0, 0, \dots)$

$\underbrace{\alpha\mathbf{x} + \beta\mathbf{y}}_{\text{all terms are 0}}$

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$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = f(\underbrace{\alpha, \beta, 0, 0, \dots}_{\text{all terms}})$$

and now let  $\alpha = 1$  &  $\beta = 1$

$$\therefore f(\alpha x + \beta y) = f(1, 1, 0, \dots) = 1$$

$$\alpha f(x) = \alpha, \beta f(y) = \beta, \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y) = \alpha + \beta = 2$$

$$\therefore f(\alpha x + \beta y) \neq \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$$

$\Rightarrow f$  is not linear.

b).  $f(x) = x_n - x_1$

Let  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$

$$f(x) = x_n - x_1, f(y) = y_n - y_1$$

$$\alpha x + \beta y = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 + \beta y_1 \\ \alpha x_2 + \beta y_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha x_n + \beta y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = (\alpha x_n + \beta y_n) - (\alpha x_1 + \beta y_1)$$

$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha(x_n - x_1) + \beta(y_n - y_1)$$

$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(\alpha x + \beta y) = \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$$

$\therefore$  we can find a vector  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , for which  $f(x) = \langle a, x \rangle$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

$a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  &  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

$$f(x) = x_n - x_1$$

$$f(x) = (-1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)^T (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

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$$\therefore f(x) = \langle a, x \rangle$$

where  $a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

c). Let  $x = (1, 2, 6, 8, 3)$   
 $y = (2, 3, 12, 5, 1)$

$$f(x) = 3, f(y) = 3.$$

Now let  $\alpha = 3$  and  $\beta = 2$ .

$$\alpha x = (3, 6, 18, 24, 9)$$

$$\beta y = (4, 6, 20, 10, 2)$$

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$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = 12$$

$$3f(x) + 2f(y) = 3(3) + 2(3) = 15 \neq 12$$

$$\therefore f(\alpha x + \beta y) \neq \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y)$$

$\Rightarrow f$  is not linear.

Q).  $f(x) = x_n + (x_n - x_{n-1})$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

$$\text{Let } x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(x) = x_n + (x_n - x_{n-1})$$

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$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) = (\alpha x_n + \beta y_n) + (\alpha x_n + \beta y_n - \alpha x_{n-1} - \beta y_{n-1})$$

$$\text{Now } \alpha f(x) = \alpha x_n + \alpha(x_n - x_{n-1})$$

$$\beta f(y) = \beta y_n + \beta(y_n - y_{n-1})$$

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And we can find a vector  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

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$$\Rightarrow f(x) = y_n + (x_n - x_{n-1})$$

$$f(x) = 2x_n - x_{n-1}$$

$$f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\therefore a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

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- (a) Prove that  $S_1 \cap S_2$  is a plane, i.e., if  $x, z \in S_1 \cap S_2$ , then  $(1+t)z - tx \in S_1 \cap S_2$  for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .  
 (b) Prove that  $z$  is a solution of (1) if and only if  $z \in S_1 \cap S_2$  and

$$\langle z - y, z - x \rangle = 0, \quad \forall x \in S_1 \cap S_2. \quad (2)$$

- (c) Find an explicit solution of (1).

- (d) Prove the solution found in part (c) is unique.

a). Consider the set  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \{x \in V \mid \langle a_1, x \rangle = b_1 \text{ and } \langle a_2, x \rangle = b_2\}$

Then,  $\forall x, z \in S_1 \cap S_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle a_1, x \rangle = b_1, \quad \langle a_2, x \rangle = b_2 \\ & \langle a_1, z \rangle = b_1, \quad \langle a_2, z \rangle = b_2 \\ & \langle a_1, x - z \rangle = 0, \quad \langle a_2, x - z \rangle = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now, let  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle a_1, z \rangle + t \langle a_1, z - x \rangle \\ &= b_1 + t(0) \\ &= b_1 \\ & \text{and } \langle a_1, z \rangle + t \langle a_1, z - x \rangle \\ &= \langle a_1, z + t(z - x) \rangle \\ &= \langle a_1, (1+t)z - tx \rangle = b_1 \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $\langle a_2, z \rangle + t \langle a_2, z - x \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{and } \langle a_2, z \rangle + t \langle a_2, z - x \rangle \\ &= \langle a_2, z + t(z - x) \rangle \\ &= \langle a_2, (1+t)z - tx \rangle = b_2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \forall x, z \in S_1 \cap S_2, (1+t)z - tx \in S_1 \cap S_2 \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

b). Let  $P_K y$  be the solution of (1),  
 where  $K = S_1 \cap S_2$ .

First, we prove that if  $z \in K$  is a

solution of  $\min_{x \in K} \|x - y\|^2$ , then  $\langle z - y, z - x \rangle = 0$

$\forall x \in K$

Since  $z$  is a solution,  $z \in K$ , i.e.  $\langle a_1, z \rangle = b_1$   
 $\langle a_2, z \rangle = b_2$ .

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$$\begin{aligned}\langle a_1, (1+t)z - tx \rangle &= b_1 \\ \langle a_2, (1+t)z - tx \rangle &= b_2 \quad (\text{proved in (a)})\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $(1+t)z - tx \in K$ .

Since  $z$  is closest to  $y$  on  $K$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|z-y\|^2 &\leq \|(1+t)z - tx - y\|^2 \\ &= \|(z-y) + t(z-x)\|^2 \\ &= \|z-y\|^2 + t^2\|z-x\|^2 + 2t\langle z-y, z-x \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } t\langle z-y, z-x \rangle \geq -\frac{t^2}{2}\|z-x\|^2$$

If we choose  $t > 0$ ,

$$\langle z-y, z-x \rangle \geq -\frac{t^2}{2}\|z-x\|^2$$

$$\text{Let } t \rightarrow 0^+, \text{ then } \langle z-y, z-x \rangle \geq 0$$

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$$\text{Let } t \rightarrow 0, \text{ then } \langle z-y, z-x \rangle \geq 0$$

$\therefore \forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \langle z-y, z-x \rangle \text{ can only be } 0$ .

$z$  satisfies  $\langle z-y, z-x \rangle = 0 \quad \forall x \in K$ .

② We show that  $z \in K$  satisfies  $\langle z-y, z-x \rangle = 0$ ,

then  $z$  is a solution of  $\min_{x \in K} \|x-y\|^2$ .

$\therefore \langle z-y, z-x \rangle = 0 \quad \forall x \in K$ ,

$$\|x-y\|^2 = \|(z-x) - (z-y)\|^2$$

$$\|x-y\|^2 = \|z-x\|^2 + \|z-y\|^2 - 2\langle z-x, z-y \rangle$$

$$\|x-y\|^2 = \|z-y\|^2 + \|z-x\|^2 \geq \|z-y\|^2$$

$\forall x \in K$

This, together with  $z \in K$ , implies  
 $z$  minimizes  $\|x - y\|^2$  in  $x \in K$ .

$\cancel{z}$  should satisfy

(7)  $\begin{cases} \langle z - y, z - x \rangle = 0 \\ \langle a_1, z \rangle = b_1 \\ \langle a_2, z \rangle = b_2 \end{cases}$

From (b), we know that  $z$  is in the form of  
 $z = y - c_1 a_1 - c_2 a_2$ , and  
 $z \in S \cap S_2$ , where  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$\cancel{\langle a_1, z \rangle = \langle a_1, y - c_1 a_1 - c_2 a_2 \rangle}$

$\cancel{\langle a_2, z \rangle = \langle a_2, y - c_1 a_1 - c_2 a_2 \rangle = \langle a_2, y \rangle - c_1 \langle a_2, a_1 \rangle - c_2 \langle a_2, a_2 \rangle - (1)}$

$b_1 = \langle a_1, y \rangle - c_1 \langle a_1, a_1 \rangle - c_2 \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle - (1)$

$\cancel{\langle a_1, z \rangle = \langle a_2, y - c_1 a_1 - c_2 a_2 \rangle}$

$b_2 = \langle a_2, y \rangle - c_1 \langle a_2, a_1 \rangle - c_2 \langle a_2, a_2 \rangle - (2)$

$\cancel{\langle z - y, z - x \rangle = 0}$

From (1),  $c_1 \langle a_1, a_1 \rangle + c_2 \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle = \langle a_1, y \rangle - b_1$

From (2),  $c_1 \langle a_2, a_1 \rangle + c_2 \langle a_2, a_2 \rangle = \langle a_2, y \rangle - b_2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \|a_1\|^2 & \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \\ \langle a_2, a_1 \rangle & \|a_2\|^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle a_1, y \rangle - b_1 \\ \langle a_2, y \rangle - b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \quad X = b$$

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \|a_1\|^2 & \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \\ \langle a_2, a_1 \rangle & \|a_2\|^2 \end{bmatrix}$

Let  $B = \begin{bmatrix} \langle a_1, y \rangle - b_1 \\ \langle a_2, y \rangle - b_2 \end{bmatrix}$

For solving  $X$ , we can have  $X = A^{-1}B$ .

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\|a_1\|^2 \|a_2\|^2 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle^2} \begin{bmatrix} -\|a_2\|^2 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \\ -\langle a_2, a_1 \rangle \|a_1\|^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \langle a_1, y \rangle - b_1 \\ \langle a_2, y \rangle - b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\|a_1\|^2 \|a_2\|^2 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle^2} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \|a_1\|^2 \left( \langle a_2, y \rangle - b_2 \right) \\ \|a_2\|^2 \left( \langle a_1, y \rangle - \|a_2\|^2 b_1 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \langle a_2, y \rangle + b_2 \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \right) \\ - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \langle a_1, y \rangle + b_1 \langle a_2, a_1 \rangle + \|a_1\|^2 \langle a_2, y \rangle - b_2 \|a_1\|^2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\therefore z = y - c_1 a_1 - c_2 a_2 \quad \text{where}$$

$$c_1 = \frac{\|a_2\|^2 \langle a_1, y \rangle - \|a_2\|^2 b_1 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \langle a_2, y \rangle + b_2 \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle}{\|a_1\|^2 \|a_2\|^2 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle^2}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{\|a_1\|^2 \langle a_2, y \rangle - \|a_1\|^2 b_2 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \langle a_1, y \rangle + b_1 \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle}{\|a_1\|^2 \|a_2\|^2 - \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle^2}$$

c). Using the technique from Gram-Schmidt process,

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= a_1 \\ v_2 &= a_2 - \frac{a_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 = a_2 - \frac{\langle a_2, a_1 \rangle}{\|a_1\|^2} a_1, \quad a_2 = v_2 + \frac{\langle a_2, a_1 \rangle}{\|a_1\|^2} a_1 \\ v_3 &= z = y - \frac{\langle a_1, y \rangle - b_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{\langle a_2, y \rangle - \frac{\langle a_2, y \rangle - b_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle - b_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2, \end{aligned}$$

$$y \in S_1 \cap S_2.$$

$$\therefore z = y - \frac{\langle a_1, y \rangle - b_1}{\|a_1\|^2} v_1 - \frac{\langle a_2, y \rangle - \frac{\langle a_2, y \rangle - b_1}{\|a_1\|^2} \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle - b_2}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2$$

d). Suppose we have two solution  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .

Then,  $z_1$  is a solution,  $\Rightarrow \langle z_1 - y, z_1 - z_2 \rangle = 0$

$z_2$  is a solution,  $\Rightarrow \langle z_2 - y, z_2 - z_1 \rangle = 0$

Taking the difference leads to  $\langle z_1 - z_2, z_1 - z_2 \rangle = 0$   
 $\|z_1 - z_2\|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow z_1 = z_2$

$\therefore z$  is unique,

3. (a) Prove that the solution must be in the form of  $a = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i x_i$  for some  $c = [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_N]^T \in \mathbb{R}^N$ .  
(Hint: Similar to the proof of the representer theorem.)

Given any vector  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $x_i, i=1, 2, \dots, N$

By solving the system

$$\begin{bmatrix} \langle x_1, x_1 \rangle & \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle x_1, x_N \rangle \\ \langle x_2, x_1 \rangle & \langle x_2, x_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle x_2, x_N \rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle x_N, x_1 \rangle & \langle x_N, x_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle x_N, x_N \rangle \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle a, x_1 \rangle \\ \langle a, x_2 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle a, x_N \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

The solution is always unique because the vectors are linearly independent.

Let residual be  $b_s = a - \sum_{i=1}^N c_i x_i$  where  $b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\Rightarrow a = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i x_i + b_s$$

for some  $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$  and residual  $b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $\langle b_s, x_i \rangle = 0, \forall i$ .

$$\text{def } f(a) = \min_{a \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\langle a, x_i \rangle - y_i)^2 + \lambda \|a\|^2$$

$$f(c, b_s) = \min_{\substack{c \in \mathbb{R}^N, \\ b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^N c_j x_j + b_s, x_i \right\rangle - y_i \right)^2 + \lambda \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^N c_j x_j + b_s, \sum_{j=1}^N c_j x_j + b_s \right\rangle$$

$$f(c, b_s) = \min_{\substack{c \in \mathbb{R}^N, \\ b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^N c_j \langle x_j, x_i \rangle + \langle b_s, x_i \rangle - y_i \right)^2 + \lambda \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^N c_i c_j \langle x_i, x_j \rangle \right)$$

$$+ 2 \sum_{i=1}^N \langle b_s, x_i \rangle + \langle b_s, b_s \rangle \Big)$$

$$\therefore \langle b_s, x_i \rangle = 0$$

$$f(c, b_s) = \min_{c \in \mathbb{R}^n, b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \sum_{j=1}^N c_j \langle x_j, x_i \rangle - y_i \right)^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N b_s c_j \langle x_i, x_j \rangle + \lambda \langle b_s, b_s \rangle$$

let  $K = \begin{bmatrix} \langle x_1, x_1 \rangle & \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle x_1, x_n \rangle \\ \langle x_2, x_1 \rangle & \langle x_2, x_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle x_2, x_n \rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \langle x_n, x_1 \rangle & \langle x_n, x_2 \rangle & \dots & \langle x_n, x_n \rangle \end{bmatrix}$

$$f(c, b_s) = \min_{c \in \mathbb{R}^n, b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|Kc - y\|^2 + \lambda c^T K c + \lambda \|b_s\|_2^2$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{depends on } c \text{ only}}$        $\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{depends on } b_s \text{ only.}}$

$\Rightarrow$  split into two minimization problems:

$$g(c) = \min_{c \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|Kc - y\|^2 + \lambda c^T K c \quad \text{and} \quad h(b_s) = \min_{b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n} \lambda \|b_s\|_2^2$$

For  $h(b_s)$ ,

$$\min_{b_s \in \mathbb{R}^n} \lambda \|b_s\|_2^2 = b_s = 0$$

$$\text{So, } f(a) = \min_{a \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=1}^N (\langle a, x_i \rangle - y_i)^2 + \lambda \|a\|_2^2$$

must be in the form of

$$a = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i$$

b). Form  $(a)$ ,  $f(a) = g(c)$ ,

$$\Delta f(a) - g(c) = \min_{c \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|Kc - y\|^2 + \lambda c^T K c$$

$$f(a) = g(c) = \min_{c \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|Kc - y\|^2 + \alpha c^T K c$$

and  $a$  can be obtained by  $a = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i$