

Rules:

- Unless otherwise stated, all answers must be mathematically justified.
- Partial answers will be graded.
- Your submission has to be uploaded to Gradescope. In Gradescope, indicate the page on which each problem is written.
- You can work in groups but each student must write his/her/their own solution based on his/her/their own understanding of the problem. Please list on your submission the students you work with for the homework (this will not affect your grade).
- Problems with a (★) are extra credit, they will not (directly) contribute to your score of this homework. However, for every 4 extra credit questions successfully answered your lowest homework score get replaced by a perfect score.
- If you have any questions, feel free to contact me (mgabrie@nyu.edu) or to stop at the office hours.

Problem 10.1 (2 points). Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We consider the least square problem:

$$\text{minimize } \|Ax - y\|^2 \quad \text{with respect to } x \in \mathbb{R}^m. \quad (1)$$

We know from the lecture that $x^{\text{LS}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A^\dagger y$ is a solution of (1).

- Show that $x^{\text{LS}} \perp \text{Ker}(A)$.
- Deduce that x^{LS} is the solution of (1) that has the smallest (Euclidean) norm.

Problem 10.2 (2 points). Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The Ridge regression adds a ℓ_2 penalty to the least square problem:

$$\text{minimize } \|Ax - y\|^2 + \lambda \|x\|^2 \quad \text{with respect to } x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad (2)$$

for some penalization parameter $\lambda > 0$.

- Without solving (2), show that (2) admits a unique solution. You can use HW9 results but you must justify everything precisely.
- Show that this solution is given by

$$x^{\text{Ridge}} = (A^\top A + \lambda \text{Id}_d)^{-1} A^\top y.$$

Justify your answer precisely, including why $(A^\top A + \lambda \text{Id}_d)^{-1}$ exists.

Problem 10.3 (2 points). Recall that $\|M\|_{\text{Sp}}$ denotes the spectral norm of a matrix M .

- Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$. Show that for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$,

$$\|Ax\| \leq \|A\|_{\text{Sp}} \|x\|.$$

- Show that for all $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$:

$$\|AB\|_{\text{Sp}} \leq \|A\|_{\text{Sp}} \|B\|_{\text{Sp}}.$$

Problem 10.4 (3 points). *In this problem we will investigate the role of ridge regularization in polynomial regression. This problem can be solved using our linear regression tools using a trick described in the notebook `polyreg.ipynb`, which also contains instructions and questions. Please merge a pdf version of the notebook completed to your submission.*

Problem 10.5 (★). *Is it true that for all $n, m, k \geq 1$, all $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$:*

$$\|AB\|_F \leq \|A\|_F \|B\|_F ?$$

Give a proof or a counter-example.