

# Statistical Learning - Report 1

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## Exercise 1

For a given matrix  $A$  and vector  $b$  we're going to show that  $x^* = (1, 1, -1, 0)$  satisfies the irrepresentable condition but is not one of the sparsest solutions of  $Ax = b$ .

When  $x_1 = 0$ , the solution for given equation is  $\tilde{x} = (0, 0, -2, \sqrt{3})$ , which is sparsest than  $x^*$  ( $\|x^*\|_0 > \|\tilde{x}\|_0$ ). In the same time,  $x^*$  satisfies the irrepresentable condition:

```
x_star <- c(1, 1, -1, 0)
not_supp_x <- which(x_star == 0)
supp_x <- which(x_star != 0)

A <- matrix(c(1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1/sqrt(3), 1/sqrt(3), 1/sqrt(3)), nrow = 3, ncol = 4)
A_supp <- A[,supp_x]
A_prim <- A[,not_supp_x]

max(abs(t(A_prim) %*% A_supp %*% solve(t(A_supp) %*% A_supp) %*% sign(x_star[supp_x]))) < 1

## [1] TRUE
```

## Exercise 2

We're going to work on a particular observation  $B$  of a  $200 \times 500$  Gaussian random matrix with i.i.d.  $N(0, 1)$  entries.  $A$  is a normalization of  $B$ .

1) Firstly, we will compute mutual coherence.

```
set.seed(2020)
n <- 200
p <- 500
B <- matrix(rnorm(n*p), nrow = n, ncol = p)
A <- apply(B, 2, function(x) x/sqrt(sum(x^2)))

mutual_coherence <- function(norm_matrix, n, p){
  dot_product_vector <- c()
  k <- 1
  for(i in 1:p){
    dot_vec <- as.vector(norm_matrix[,i])
    for(j in i:p){
      if(i != j){
        dot_product_vector[k] <- abs(as.vector(norm_matrix[,j]) %*% dot_vec)
        k <- k + 1
      }
    }
  }
  return(max(dot_product_vector))
}
```

```
MA <- mutual_coherence(A, n, p)
```

$M(A) = 0.3021009$

Then, we will provide the set  $K_0$  of sparsity  $k \in \{1, \dots, 200\}$  for which, according to *mutual coherence condition*,  $x^*$  is both the unique basis pursuit minimizer and the unique sparsest solution of  $Ax = b$ .

```
mutual_coherence_cond <- function(){
  cond_true <- c()
  for(k in 1:200){
    cond_true[k] <- (k < (1 + (1/MA)) / 2)
  }
  return (cond_true)
}
```

```
K_0 <- which(mutual_coherence_cond() == 1)
```

$K_0 = \{1, 2\}$

Because the condition is very strict and  $M(A)$  in our case is really small, it's hard to satisfy this condition. That's why the set  $K_0$  is small.

2) In the second part, we'll provide the set  $K_1$  of sparsity  $k \in \{1, \dots, 200\}$  for which  $x^*$  satisfies the *irrepresentable condition*.

```
irrepresentable_condition <- function(p){
  cond_true <- c()
  for(k in 1:200){
    x_star <- c(abs(rnorm(k)), rep(0, times = p - k))
    not_supp_x <- which(x_star == 0)
    supp_x <- which(x_star != 0)
    A_supp <- A[,supp_x]
    A_prim <- A[,not_supp_x]
    cond_true[k] <- max(abs(t(A_prim) %*% A_supp %*% solve(t(A_supp) %*% A_supp)
      %*% sign(x_star[supp_x]))) < 1)
  }
  return (cond_true)
}
```

```
K_1 <- which(irrepresentable_condition(500) == 1)
```

$K_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23\}$

This time, we have much more elements in the set, because the condition is less strict.

3)

```
irr_cond <- function(x, matrix){
  not_supp_x <- which(x == 0)
  supp_x <- which(x != 0)
  mat_supp <- matrix[,supp_x]
  mat_prim <- matrix[,not_supp_x]
  held_or_not <- max(abs(t(mat_prim) %*% mat_supp %*% solve(t(mat_supp) %*% mat_supp)
    %*% sign(x[supp_x]))) < 1)
  return(held_or_not)
}
```

```
zad3 <- function(matrix) {
```

```

x_irr_vec <- c()
x_wave_irr_vec <- c()
for(k in 1:200){
  x <- c(abs(rnorm(k)), rep(0, 500 - k))
  x_wave <- c(rep(1, k), rep(0, 500 - k))
  x_irr_vec[k] <- irr_cond(x, A)
  x_wave_irr_vec[k] <- irr_cond(x_wave, A)
}
compare_matrix <- matrix(0,ncol = 2,nrow = length( x_irr_vec) )
compare_matrix[,1] <- x_irr_vec
compare_matrix[,2] <- x_wave_irr_vec
return(compare_matrix)
}

compare <- zad3(A)
compare[1:30,]

```

```

##      [,1] [,2]
## [1,]    1    1
## [2,]    1    1
## [3,]    1    1
## [4,]    1    1
## [5,]    1    1
## [6,]    1    1
## [7,]    1    1
## [8,]    1    1
## [9,]    1    1
## [10,]   1    1
## [11,]   1    1
## [12,]   1    1
## [13,]   1    1
## [14,]   1    1
## [15,]   1    1
## [16,]   1    1
## [17,]   1    1
## [18,]   1    1
## [19,]   1    1
## [20,]   1    1
## [21,]   1    1
## [22,]   1    1
## [23,]   1    1
## [24,]   0    0
## [25,]   0    0
## [26,]   0    0
## [27,]   0    0
## [28,]   0    0
## [29,]   0    0
## [30,]   0    0

```

First column says if  $x^*$  is the only solution of the BP minimizer. The second one is the same but for  $\tilde{x}$ . We can easily see that  $x^*$  satisfies irrepresentable condition if and only if  $\tilde{x}$  does.

4) Provide the set K2 of sparsity  $k \in \{1, \dots, 200\}$  for which  $x^*$  is the BP minimizer of  $Ax = b$ .

```

library(ADMM)

improveBP = function(A,b,x){
  n <- nrow(A)
  p <- ncol(A)
  u <- order(abs(x))
  J <- u[1:(p-n)]
  x0 <- rep(0, p)
  A1 <- A[,-J]
  v <- solve(A1) %*% b
  x0[-J] <- v
  return(x0)
}

bp <- c()
for(k in (1:n)){
  x0 <- c(rep(1, k), rep(0, p - k))
  b <- A%*%x0
  BPminimizer <- admm.bp(A, b, abstol = 0.00001, reltol = 0.00001, maxiter = 10000)$x
  BPbetter <- improveBP(A, b, BPminimizer)
  bp[k] <- (max(abs(BPbetter - x0)) <= 0.000001)
}

K_2 <- which(bp == 1)

```

$K_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63\}$

$K_2$  is the biggest set. Checking for which sparsity  $x^*$  is a BP minimizer is the weakest condition through all previously checked. Because there is no assumption about the singleton we expect this set to be larger.

5) Provide the set  $K_3$  of sparsity  $k \in \{1, \dots, 200\}$  for which  $x^*$  is both the unique BP minimizer and the unique sparsest solution of  $Ax = b$ .

From mutual coherence condition, we know that  $x^*$  is both the unique BP minimizer and the unique sparsest solution of  $Ax = b$  when  $\|x^*\|_0 < (1 + 1/M(A))/2$ . As we could see, it is a very strict condition and we may lose some information.

There are two independent assumptions for BP and sparsest solution. We will use both of them for each  $x^*$ . Then we will compare  $K_3$  with  $K_0$ .

To find sparsest solution we will calculate  $\text{spark}(A)$ . Then we'll find out if  $\|x\|_0 < \text{spark}(A)/2$  which implicates  $x^*$  is the unique sparsest solution. For checking if  $x^*$  is the unique BP minimizer, we will use irrepresentable condition.

```

library(pracma)

spark <- function(matrix) {
  kernel <- nullspace(A)
  kernel[abs(kernel) < 0.01] <- 0
  min_spark <- dim(kernel)[1] - max(colSums(kernel == 0))
  return(min_spark)
}

spark_number <- spark(A)

zad5 <- function(matrix){

```

```

is_bp_sp <- c()
for(k in 1:200) {
  x <- c(rep(1, k), rep(0, 500 - k))
  is_bp <- irr_cond(x, matrix)
  is_sp <- (sum(x != 0) < spark_number/2)
  is_bp_sp[k] <- is_bp & is_sp
}
return(is_bp_sp)
}

K_3 <- which(zad5(A) == 1)

```

$K_3 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23\}$   
Set  $K_3$  has much more elements than set  $K_0$ . As I said before, mutual coherence condition is very strict and can cause many false negatives.

## Exercise 6

The last exercise shows that the mutual coherence condition implies the irrepresentable condition.

At the begining we need to create a diagonal dominant matrix Q.

```

Q <- matrix(rnorm(500*500), ncol = 500, nrow = 500)

for (i in 1:500) {
  Q[i,i] <- (sum(abs(Q[i, -i])) + abs(rnorm(1)))*(-1)^sample(1:100,1)
}

nullspace(Q)

```

```
## NULL
```

We just checked that  $\ker(Q) = 0$ .

Next step is to check Gershgorin circle theorem. To do that we need to show that each eigenvalue of Q belongs to the intervals constructed by subtracting/adding to the values on diagonal all the values that are in the same row (without value on the diagonal).

```

G_circle <- function(d){
  lambdas <- Re(eig(d))
  is_between <- rep(0, 500)
  for (i in 1:500){
    lambda <- lambdas[i]
    is_this_one <- c()
    for(j in 1:500) {
      left_side <- Q[j,j] - sum(abs(d[j,-j]))
      right_side <- Q[j,j] + sum(abs(d[j,-j]))
      is_this_one[j] <- (lambda >= left_side) & (lambda <= right_side)
    }
    if(length(is_this_one)>=1) is_between[i] <- TRUE
  }
  return(is_between)
}

interval_check <- G_circle(Q)
sum(interval_check) == 500 # if it's true, condition is satisfied

```

```
## [1] TRUE
```

We are assuming that  $\|x^*\|_0 \leq (1 + 1/M(A))/2$ , so in our case left side is equal to 2.155.

We should prove that the largest eigenvalue of  $(A'A)^{-1}$ , where A are the only columns that are in the  $\text{supp}(x^*)$ , is smaller than  $2/(M(A) + 1)$ . We will check for which level of sparsity from 1:200 this condition is fulfilled:

```
zad6 <- function(MA, matrix){
  is_cond_held <- c()
  for(k in 1:200){
    max_eigen <- max(eig(solve(t(A[,1:k]) %*% A[,1:k])))
    is_cond_held[k] <- max_eigen < 2/(MA + 1)
  }
  return(is_cond_held)
}

smaller_or_not <- zad6(MA,A)
```

This set is: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8}. Thus, knowing the output, we can go beyond our start assumption that  $\|x^*\|_0 < 2$ .

We should then conclude that mutual coherence condition implies the irrepresentable condition. We could think about it when we were comparing sizes of the “K-sets”.  $K_0$  was the smallest one and was included in the others.

Now I will use some explanation according to paper on the website: For the next part we assume that  $k = \|x^*\|$  and  $Q = A_I^T A_I$  where I are indexes that are in  $\text{supp}(x^*)$ . We know that diagonal elements of Q are ones and non-diagonal elements are smaller than  $M(A)$ . By assumption  $M(A)$  is the biggest scalar product between the pair of different columns. Proving the Gerhgorin theroem we know that each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of Q is in such interval (we approximate it):

$$[1 - (k-1)M(A), 1 + (k-1)M(A)]$$

Eigenvalues for  $(A_I^T A_I)^{-1}$  will be  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ . Using previous interval we know that  $\frac{1}{\lambda} < \frac{1}{1 - M(A)k + M(A)} < \frac{2}{M(A) + 1}$ . Thus, we did point ii).