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Representer theorem:

$$\min_{h \in \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \text{RKHS}} \hat{R}_S(h) + \lambda \alpha(\|h\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2)$$

$\alpha$ : strictly increasing function on  $\mathbb{R}^+$

$$\text{Soln: } h(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \kappa(x_i, x)$$

$$S = \{x_i\}_{i \in [m]}$$

Last time: • Proof of repr.

• Assuming  $h(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \kappa(x_i, x)$ ,  
how to solve for  $\{a_i\}_{i \in [m]}$

$a \in \mathbb{R}^m$  solves linear regression problem

$$a = (G^T G + \lambda I)^{-1} G^T Y$$

$G$ : Gram matrix  $\in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} \text{ true values/labels}$$

$$\text{for the case: } \hat{R}_S(h) = \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - h(x_i))^2$$

$$\alpha(\|h\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2) = \frac{\lambda}{2} \|h\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$$

The regularization term ( $\alpha(\|h\|_H^2)$ ) decreases "capacity" of hypothesis class.

"Smallness" of function class

- $H$  : RKHS : inf-dim. for typical kernels.

Segue into linear regression

$$h(x) = \omega^T x \quad H = \{ \omega^T x : \omega \in \mathbb{R}^d \}$$

$$\omega = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

$$d = m$$

$$X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d}$$

$$d < m \quad \text{capacity may be small}$$

$$d \gg m \quad \text{not well cond. , } X^T X \text{ is not invertible!}$$

upon adding  
Regularization:

$$\omega = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T Y$$

$$\ell^2 \text{ regularization: } \|Y - X\omega\|^2 + \lambda \|\omega\|^2$$

Regularization  $\Rightarrow$  numerical stability

# Effect of regularization in inf-dim regression

Form of Regularization :  $\|h\|_H^2 = \langle h, h \rangle_H$

if  $h = \kappa(x, \cdot)$

$$\kappa(x, x) = \langle h, h \rangle_H$$

But WKT from Mercer's Theorem,

$$\kappa(x, x) = \sum_i \lambda_i \psi_i(x) \psi_i(x)$$

where  $(\lambda_i, \psi_i)$  are eigenvalue-eigenfunction pairs of HS / kernel integral operator

$$T_\kappa f(x) = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \kappa(x, x') f(x') dx'$$

can replace  $dx' \rightarrow d\mu(x')$

$$\langle T_\kappa f, f \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{PD operator}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $L^2$  inner prod.

$$\lambda_i \geq 0. \quad \sum \lambda_i < \infty \quad (\text{conseq. of Mercer's thm})$$

## Interpretation of inner product on RKHS

For  $f, g \in \mathcal{H}$  (RKHS),

define some operator  $Y$

so that

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \langle Yf, Yg \rangle_{L^2 \text{ inner product}}$$

$Y$ : regularization operator.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Regularization: } \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 &= \langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \\ &= \langle Yf, Yf \rangle \\ &= \langle f, Y^* Yf \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$Y^*$ : adjoint of  $Y$

$Y^* Y$ : always PD operator

$$\langle Y^* Yf, f \rangle \geq 0.$$

WLOG, consider  $Y$  to be PD. in order to understand  $\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$ .

Takeaway:

$$\kappa \Leftrightarrow \text{RKHS} \Leftrightarrow Y$$

$Y$  can be used to define PD  $\kappa$ .

Bochner's theorem: Any PD, translation-invariant kernel can be written as the Fourier transform of a positive measure.

Symmetric

$$\kappa(x, x') = \kappa(x', x)$$

Translation-invariant

$$\kappa(x, x') = f(x - x')$$

Absolution position on image space does not matter.

$$\text{e.g. } \kappa(x, x') = e^{-\frac{\|x - x'\|^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

B.T. says if  $\kappa$  is PD

$$\kappa(x) = (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int e^{-i\xi \cdot x} \underbrace{\rho(\xi)}_{\geq 0} d\xi$$

$\xi \mapsto \rho(\xi)$  is positive.  $\rho(\xi) = \rho(-\xi) \geq 0$  at all  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

Fourier transform: operator on  $L^2$

$$Ff(\xi) = (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x) e^{-i\xi \cdot x} dx$$

$$\text{inverse Fourier transform } f(x) = (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (Ff)(\xi) e^{i\xi \cdot x} d\xi$$

Connection with regularization

Want  $Y$  s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Y^* Yf, f \rangle &= \langle Yf, Yf \rangle \\ &= \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Green's function (typically used in PDE theory)  $G: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\langle Y^* Y G(x, \cdot), f \rangle = f(x)$$

$L^2$  inner product

(In PDEs, solns are written in span of  $G(x, \cdot)$  since the diff operator takes  $G(x, \cdot)$  to  $\delta_x$ )

Ansatz: (for construction of  $Y^* Y$ )

$$\text{Define } \langle Yf, Yg \rangle = (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int \frac{\overline{F(f)(\xi)} F(g)(\xi)}{\rho(\xi)} d\xi$$

Some pos density  $\rho(\xi)$ .

What is an ansatz for  $G(x, \cdot)$

of  $Y^* Y$ ?

$$\langle Y^* Y G(x, \cdot), f \rangle = f(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Y^* Y G(x, \cdot), f \rangle &= \langle Y G(x, \cdot), Yf \rangle \\ &= (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int \frac{\overline{F G(x, \cdot)(\xi)} F(f)(\xi)}{\rho(\xi)} d\xi \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

Given a positive density, we can define a PD kernel by B.T.

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(x - x') &= F(\rho)(x - x') \\ &= (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int e^{-i(x - x') \cdot \xi} \rho(\xi) d\xi \end{aligned}$$

Set  $G(x, x') = \kappa(x' - x)$

To check that this is indeed the Green's function for our  $Y^* Y$ , sub. in  $\textcircled{1}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Y^* Y G(x, \cdot), f \rangle &= (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int \frac{e^{ix \cdot \xi} \overline{\rho(\xi)} F(f)(\xi)}{\rho(\xi)} d\xi \\ &= f(x) \end{aligned}$$

Takeaway: Given  $\rho$ , one can define PD kernel using B.T.

and a corresponding regularization operator  $Y^* Y$

$$\text{s.t. } \langle Y^* Yf, f \rangle = \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$$

where

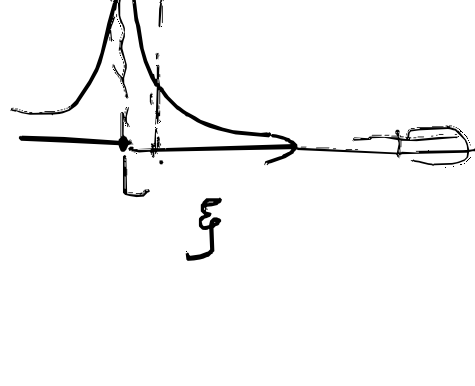
$$\begin{aligned} \langle Y^* Yf, g \rangle &= \langle Yf, Yg \rangle \\ &= (2\pi)^{-d/2} \int \frac{\overline{Ff(\xi)} F(g)(\xi)}{\rho(\xi)} d\xi \end{aligned}$$

E.g.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gaussian kernel } \kappa(x - x') &= e^{-\frac{(x - x')^2}{2\sigma^2}} \\ \rho(\xi) &= \sigma e^{-\frac{\xi^2}{2\sigma^2}} \end{aligned}$$

Reg. term

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 = (2\pi)^{-1/2} \int \frac{\overline{Ff(\xi)} F(f)(\xi)}{\rho(\xi)} d\xi$$



if  $F(f)(\xi) \rightarrow 0$  rapidly, then  $\|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$  can be small.

For a minimizer  $f$

$$\text{of } \hat{R}_\beta(f) + \lambda \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$$

$F(f)$  should ~~have~~ be rapidly decaying

$\rightarrow$  Gaussian kernels pick smooth functions

Laplace kernel: can pick non-smooth functions

$$e^{-\frac{\|x - x'\|}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$\hat{R}_\beta(h) + \lambda \|h\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2$  can be interpreted as a functional on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Suppose this is a continuous functional on  $\mathcal{H}$  a compact subset of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Then, the inverse exists and is continuous.