

COMP3670 Assignment 2

Ex1. Orthogonal Projections.

Consider the Euclidean vector space \mathbb{R}^3 w/ the dot product. A subspace $U \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ and vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$ are given by:

$$U = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Show that $x \notin U$.

Show x is not a linear combination of u_1 & u_2 .

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1. -c_1 + 2c_2 = 8 & c_1 - c_2 = 4 \\ 2. c_1 - c_2 = 4 & -c_1 - 2c_2 = 16 \quad \Rightarrow \quad c_2 = -12 \\ 3. c_1 - 2c_2 = 16 & c_1 = -8 \end{array}$$

$$3. -8 - 2(-12) = 16 \quad \therefore x \notin U.$$

$$2. -8 + 12 = 4$$

$$1. 8 + (-24) \neq 8$$

2. Determine $\pi_u(x)$.

$$\pi_u(x) = \frac{\langle x, u_1 \rangle}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 + \frac{\langle x, u_2 \rangle}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2$$

$$\langle x, u_1 \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = -8 + 4 + 16 = 12$$

$$\langle x, u_2 \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = 16 - 4 - 32 = -20$$

$$\|u_1\|^2 = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$$

$$\|u_2\|^2 = 4 + 1 + 4 = 9$$

$$\pi_u(x) = \frac{12}{3} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{-20}{9} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -12/3 \\ 12/3 \\ 12/3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -40/9 \\ 20/9 \\ 40/9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi_u(x) = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \cdot \overline{44} \\ 6 \cdot \overline{22} \\ 8 \cdot \overline{44} \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Determine the distance $d(x, U) := \min_{y \in U} \|x - y\|$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x, U) &:= \|x - \pi_U(x)\| = \sqrt{\langle x - \pi_U(x), x - \pi_U(x) \rangle} \\
 &= \text{Sqrt} \left(\left(\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -8.44 \\ 6.22 \\ 8.44 \end{bmatrix} \right) \cdot \left(\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -8.44 \\ 6.22 \\ 8.44 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right) \\
 &= \text{Sqrt} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 16.44 \\ -2.22 \\ 7.56 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 16.44 \\ -2.22 \\ 7.56 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
 &= \text{Sqrt} \left([270.2736 + 4.9284 + 57.1536] \right) \\
 &= \sqrt{332.3556} \approx 18.23.
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Use Gram-Schmidt to transform $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ into B w/ orthonormal columns.

$$v_1 = a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_2 = a_2 - \frac{a_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \cdot v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{-5}{3} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Normalise the orthogonal basis to get orthonormal basis.

$$u_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|}, \quad u_2 = \frac{v_2}{\|v_2\|}$$

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.577 \\ 0.577 \\ 0.577 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.408 \\ 0.816 \\ -0.408 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -0.577 & 0.408 \\ 0.577 & 0.816 \\ 0.577 & -0.408 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. Find the vector θ that minimizes $\|x - Q\theta\|^2 + \lambda\|\theta\|^2$.
Differentiate the loss function w.r.t θ .

$$F(\theta) = \|x - Q\theta\|^2 + \lambda\|\theta\|^2$$

$$F(\theta) = (x - Q\theta)^T (x - Q\theta) + \lambda\theta^T \theta$$

expand:

$$F(\theta) = (x^T - Q^T \theta^T)(x - Q\theta) + \lambda\theta^T \theta$$

$$F(\theta) = x^T x - x^T Q\theta - x Q^T \theta^T + Q^T \theta^T Q\theta + \lambda\theta^T \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \theta} = 0 - Q^T x - Q^T x + 2Q^T Q\theta + 2\lambda\theta$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \theta} = -2Q^T x + 2Q^T Q\theta + 2\lambda\theta$$

To minimise, set the gradient to zero

$$0 = -2Q^T x + 2Q^T Q\theta + 2\lambda\theta$$

$$0 = -Q^T x + Q^T Q\theta + \lambda\theta$$

$$Q^T x = Q^T Q\theta + \lambda\theta$$

$$Q^T x = (Q^T Q + \lambda I) \theta \quad \text{since } Q \text{ has orthonormal columns} \\ Q^T Q = I$$

$$Q^T x = (I + \lambda I) \theta$$

$$Q^T x = (1 + \lambda) \theta$$

$$\therefore \hat{\theta} = \frac{Q^T x}{1 + \lambda}$$

6. Compute the vector θ for the matrix B & $\lambda = 10$.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -0.577 & 0.408 \\ 0.577 & 0.816 \\ 0.577 & -0.408 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\theta = \frac{B^T x}{1 + \lambda} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} -0.577 & 0.577 & 0.577 \\ 0.408 & 0.816 & -0.408 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}}{11}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} -0.577 \times 8 + 0.577 \times 4 + 0.577 \times 16 \\ 0.408 \times 8 + 0.816 \times 4 + -0.408 \times 16 \end{bmatrix}}{11}$$

$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 6.9245 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \div 11$$

$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 0.62945 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The following vector θ minimises the expression

$\|x - B\theta\|^2 + \lambda \|\theta\|^2$ for the given matrix B and $\lambda = 10$.

Exercise 2 Vector Calculus Practices

Compute the following gradients over x or X .

a) $\frac{\partial x^T ABC x}{\partial x}$ $\frac{\partial x^T B x}{\partial x} = x^T (B + B^T)$ (identity)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial x^T ABC x}{\partial x} &= x^T (ABC + (ABC)^T) \\ &= x^T (ABC + C^T B^T A^T) \end{aligned}$$

b) $\frac{\partial (Bx+b)^T c(Dx+d)}{\partial x}$

Product rule: $\frac{\partial f x}{\partial x} \cdot g x + f x \cdot \frac{\partial g x}{\partial x}$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial (Bx+b)^T}{\partial x}}_{f x} \cdot \underbrace{c(Dx+d)}_{g x} \Rightarrow \frac{f x}{f x} \cdot \frac{g x}{g x}$$

$$\frac{\partial (Bx+b)^T}{\partial x} \cdot c(Dx+d) + (Bx+b)^T \cdot \left(\frac{\partial c}{\partial x} \cdot Dx+d + c \cdot \frac{\partial Dx+d}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$= B^T \cdot c(Dx+d) + (Bx+b)^T \cdot (c \cdot D)$$

$$= B^T C D x + B^T C d + B^T x^T C D + b^T C D.$$

$$c) \frac{\partial \text{tr}(X^2)}{\partial X} = 2X.$$

Exercise 3 concavity of a function

A function $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with a convex domain is called a concave function iff its Hessian

$H = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$ is negative semidefinite. Consider:

$$f(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

with convex domain $\text{dom}(f) = \mathbb{R}_{++}^n$ (n -dim strictly elementwise positive vectors), and $p < 1, p \neq 0$.

1. Evaluate the elementwise second order derivatives

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \text{ for arbitrary integer } i, j \in [1, n].$$

First order derivative:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = \frac{1}{p} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \cdot p x_i^{p-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = p x_i^{p-1} \cdot \frac{1}{p} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1 \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}-2} \cdot p x_j^{p-1}$$

$$\text{second order derivative} = (x_i x_j)^{p-1} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1 \right) \left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}-2}$$

for $i \neq j$

2. Prove $H = (1-p)f(x)^{1-2p} \cdot (x^{p-1} \cdot x^{p-1^T} - f(x)^p \cdot \text{diag}(x^{p-2}))$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2} &= \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1 \right) (f(x))^{\frac{1}{p}-2} \cdot p x_i^{p-1} + \frac{1}{p} (f(x))^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \cdot (p-1) p x_i^{p-2} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1 \right) \cdot (f(x))^{\frac{1}{p}-2} \cdot x_i^{p-1} + (f(x))^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \cdot (p-1) x_i^{p-2} \end{aligned}$$

The $(i, i)^{\text{th}}$ entry is $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2}$ and the $(i, j)^{\text{th}}$ entry ($i \neq j$)

in $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$ corresponds to the diagonal entries

which are $-f(x)^p \text{diag}(x^{p-2})$ in H .

$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$ corresponds to non-diag entries which are $x^{p-1} \cdot x^{p-1^T}$ in the equation H .

Both derivatives and their corresponding parts in the equation H seems to align.

So $H = (1-p)f(x)^{1-2p} \cdot (x^{p-1} \cdot x^{p-1^T} - f(x)^p \cdot \text{diag}(x^{p-2}))$.

3. Prove H is negative semidefinite, hence f is concave.

To prove H is negative semidefinite, show that \forall non-zero vectors v in \mathbb{R}^n $v^T H v \leq 0$ is true.

$$\text{Given } H = (1-p)f(x)^{1-2p} \cdot (x^{p-1} \cdot x^{p-1} - f(x)^p \cdot \text{diag}(x^{p-2}))$$

$$v^T H v = (1-p)f(x)^{1-2p} \left[v^T x^{p-1} x^{p-1} v - f(x)^p v^T \text{diag}(x^{p-2}) v \right]$$

$v^T x^{p-1} x^{p-1} v$: This term is the square of the projection of z onto x^{p-1} so its non-negative.

$v^T \text{diag}(x^{p-2}) v$: This term is the sum of the elementwise product of z and x^{p-2} . Since x^{p-2} is elementwise positive ($x \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^n$), the sum is also non-negative.

And since $p < 1$, $f(x)^{1-2p}$ is positive. Thus,

$v^T x^{p-1} x^{p-1} v - f(x)^p v^T \text{diag}(x^{p-2}) v$ is always non-negative.

$\therefore v^T H v \leq 0$ and this shows that the Hessian is negative semidefinite, and given that the domain of f is convex, we can conclude that f is a concave function.

Exercise 4 Expectations with respect to a Gaussian Distribution
common objective function in modern machine learning
the variational free-energy,

$$F(q(\theta)) = \int d\theta q(\theta) \log \frac{q(\theta)}{p(\theta) p(y|\theta, x)} = \int d\theta q(\theta) [\log q(\theta) - \log p(\theta) - \log p(y|\theta, x)]$$

consider a simplified setting in which

$$\begin{aligned} p(\theta) &= \mathcal{N}(\theta | 0, 1), \\ p(y|\theta, x) &= \mathcal{N}(y | \theta x, \sigma_n^2), \\ q(\theta) &= \mathcal{N}(\theta | \mu, \sigma^2), \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{N}(x; \mu, v)$ means x is a univariate Gaussian random variable with mean μ and variance v .

1. Compute F .

2. Find the gradients $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} F$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} F$.

3. Set these gradients to 0 and solve for μ and σ in terms of y, x and σ_n .

1. Compute F.

Integration rules:

$$\int \log(x) dx = x \log(x) - x + c \quad \int e^x dx = e^x + c \quad \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

Gaussian distribution

$$N(x | \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$\int q(\theta) [\log q(\theta) - \log p(\theta) - \log p(y | \theta, x)] d\theta.$$

Substitute $q(\theta)$, $p(\theta)$ and $p(y | \theta, x)$. And

For a standard Gaussian distribution, the total area under the curve of its pdf is always 1. $\therefore \int q(\theta) = 1$.

$$\int \left[\log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \right) - \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{\theta^2}{2}\right) \right) - \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_n^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y-\theta x)^2}{2\sigma_n^2}\right) \right) \right] d\theta$$

Using properties of logarithms to simplify:

$$\log(\exp(x)) = \exp(\log(x)) = x$$

$$x \log(a) = \log(a^x) \quad \log(ab) = \log a + \log b$$

$$\int \left[\log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \right) + \left(-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) - \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \right) - \left(-\frac{\theta^2}{2} \right) - \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_n^2}} \right) - \left(-\frac{(y-\theta x)^2}{2\sigma_n^2} \right) \right] d\theta$$



$$\int \left[-\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{(\theta - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) + \frac{\theta^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_n^2) + \frac{(y - \theta x)^2}{2\sigma_n^2} \right] d\theta$$

$$\int -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) d\theta - \int \frac{(\theta - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \int \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) d\theta + \int \frac{\theta^2}{2} d\theta + \int \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_n^2) d\theta + \int \frac{(y - \theta x)^2}{2\sigma_n^2} d\theta$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) \theta - \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3}{6\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) \theta + \frac{\theta^3}{6} + \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_n^2) \theta + \frac{(y - \theta x)^3}{6\sigma_n^2} + C.$$

Rearrange & simplify using log properties

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) + \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_n^2) \right) \theta - \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3}{6\sigma^2} + \frac{\theta^3}{6} + \frac{(y - \theta x)^3}{6\sigma_n^2} + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) \theta - \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3}{6\sigma^2} + \frac{\theta^3}{6} + \frac{(y - \theta x)^3}{6\sigma_n^2} + C$$

2. Find the gradients $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} F$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} F$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} &= \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi)\theta - \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3}{6\sigma^2} + \frac{\theta^3}{6} + \frac{(y - \theta x)^3}{6\sigma^2} + C \\ &= 0 - \frac{3(\theta - \mu)^2 x - 1}{6\sigma^2} + 0 + 0 + 0 \\ &= (\theta - \mu)^2 / 2\sigma^2.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial F}{\partial \sigma} &= \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi)\theta - \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3}{6\sigma^2} + \frac{\theta^3}{6} + \frac{(y - \theta x)^3}{6\sigma^2} + C \\ &= 0 + \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3}{3\sigma^3} + 0 - \frac{(y - \theta x)^3}{3\sigma^3} + 0 \\ &= \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3}{3\sigma^3} - \frac{(y - \theta x)^3}{3\sigma^3}\end{aligned}$$

3. Set these gradients to zero & solve for μ & σ in terms of y, x, σ .

$$0 = \frac{(\theta - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}; \sqrt{0} = \sqrt{(\theta - \mu)^2}; 0 = \theta - \mu; \theta = \mu.$$

$$0 = \frac{(\theta - \mu)^3 - (y - \theta x)^3}{3\sigma^3}; \sqrt[3]{0} = \sqrt[3]{(\theta - \mu)^3} - \sqrt[3]{(y - \theta x)}$$

$$0 = (\theta - \mu) - (y - \theta x); \text{ if } \mu = \theta \text{ then } 0 = -y + \theta x;$$

$$y = \theta x; \theta = \frac{y}{x} \therefore \mu = \frac{y}{x} \text{ and } \sigma = \sigma.$$