# CSC413H1 - Assignment 1

**1.2.1:** Training converges when  $\frac{1}{n}||X\hat{\mathbf{w}}-\mathbf{t}||_2^2$  achieves its minimum, or equivalently when  $\nabla_{\hat{\mathbf{w}}}\frac{1}{n}||X\hat{\mathbf{w}}-\mathbf{t}||_2^2 = \frac{2}{n}X^T(X\hat{\mathbf{w}}-\mathbf{t}) = 0$ . To solve for  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$  in this scenario, note that

$$\frac{2}{n}X^{T}(X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t}) = 0 \iff X^{T}(X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t}) = 0 \iff X^{T}X\hat{\mathbf{w}} = X^{T}\mathbf{t}.$$

Since  $d < n, X^T X$  is invertible, we can multiply  $(X^T X)^{-1}$  to both sides to yield

$$(X^T X)^{-1} X^T X \hat{\mathbf{w}} = \hat{\mathbf{w}} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbf{t}.$$

**1.2.2:** Substituting the previous answer and  $\mathbf{t} = X\mathbf{w}^* + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$  into the loss yields

$$\frac{1}{n}||X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t}||_{2}^{2} = \frac{1}{n}||X(X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T}\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{t}||_{2}^{2} = \frac{1}{n}||X(X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T}(X\hat{\mathbf{w}} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) - (X\hat{\mathbf{w}} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon})||_{2}^{2} 
= \frac{1}{n}||X(X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T}X\hat{\mathbf{w}} + X(X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T}\boldsymbol{\epsilon} - X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}||_{2}^{2} 
= \frac{1}{n}||X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - X\hat{\mathbf{w}} + (X(X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T} - I)\boldsymbol{\epsilon}||_{2}^{2} 
= \frac{1}{n}||(X(X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T} - I)\boldsymbol{\epsilon}||_{2}^{2}$$

as desired. Notice that this equals

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{n}(X(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon}-\boldsymbol{\epsilon})^T(X(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon}-\boldsymbol{\epsilon})\\ &=\frac{1}{n}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon}-\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon}-\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon}+\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon})=\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon}-\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \end{split}$$

since  $((X^TX)^{-1})^T = ((X^TX)^T)^{-1} = (X^TX)^{-1}$ . Then, the expectation of this error is

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}\Big[\pmb{\epsilon}^T\pmb{\epsilon}-\pmb{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\pmb{\epsilon}\Big] &= \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}\Big[\mathrm{tr}(\pmb{\epsilon}\pmb{\epsilon}^T-\pmb{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\pmb{\epsilon})\Big] \text{ since the inside is a scalar} \\ &= \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}\Big[\mathrm{tr}(\pmb{\epsilon}^T\pmb{\epsilon})\Big] - \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}\Big[\mathrm{tr}(\pmb{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\pmb{\epsilon}\Big] \text{ by linearity of trace} \\ &= \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[\mathbb{E}(\pmb{\epsilon}^T\pmb{\epsilon})\Big] - \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[\mathbb{E}(\pmb{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\pmb{\epsilon})\Big] \text{ since } \mathbb{E}[\mathrm{tr}(A)] = \mathrm{tr}[\mathbb{E}(A)] \\ &= \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[\mathbb{E}(\sum_{i=1}^n\pmb{\epsilon}_i^2)\Big] - \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[\mathbb{E}(\pmb{\epsilon}\pmb{\epsilon}^TX(X^TX)^{-1}X^T)\Big] \\ &= \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[\sum_{i=1}^n\mathbb{E}(\pmb{\epsilon}_i^2)\Big] - \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[\mathbb{E}(\pmb{\epsilon}\pmb{\epsilon}^T)X(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\Big] \text{ by independence} \\ &= \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}(n\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[\sigma^2X(X^TX)^{-1}X^T\Big] \\ &= \sigma^2 - \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\mathrm{tr}\Big[(X^TX)^{-1}X^TX\Big] \\ &= \sigma^2 - \frac{\sigma^2d}{n} \end{split}$$

where 
$$\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{i}^{2}) = \operatorname{Var}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{i}) + \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{i})^{2} = \sigma^{2}$$
 and  $\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{T}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{1}^{2}) & \dots & \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{1})\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{n}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{n})\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{1}) & \dots & \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{n}^{2}) \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^{2}I_{n}.$ 

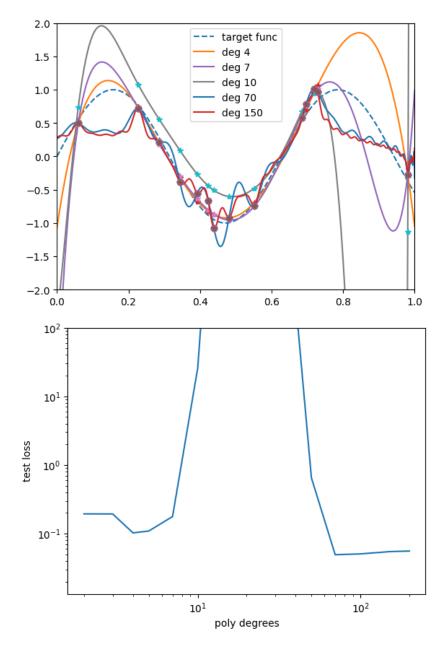
- **1.3.1:**  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}^T \mathbf{x_1} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{w_1} & \hat{w_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \hat{w_1} + \hat{w_2} = t_1 = 3$ , so the equation of the line is  $\hat{w_2} = -\hat{w_1} + 3$ . Thus, there are infinitely many  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$  satisfying  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}^T \mathbf{x_1} = t_1$ .
- **1.3.2:** Assuming that the gradient is spanned by the rows of X, we substitute  $\hat{\mathbf{w}} = X^T \mathbf{a}$  for  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  into the objective from 1.2.1 to yield

$$X^{T}(X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t}) = 0 \iff (XX^{T})^{-1}XX^{T}(X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t}) = 0 \iff X\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t} = 0 \iff XX^{T}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{t} = 0$$
$$\iff XX^{T}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{t} \iff \mathbf{a} = (XX^{T})^{-1}\mathbf{t}$$

where the first and last equivalences hold since d > n and  $XX^T$  is invertible. Thus, the unique minimizer is

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = X^T \mathbf{a} = X^T (XX^T)^{-1} \mathbf{t}.$$

1.3.4: The plot of the polynomials and the plot of the test losses vs. degree of polynomial are as follows:



Overparameterization does not always lead to overfitting. As shown in the last plot, the test loss decreases when the degree of polynomial is around  $10^2$ , indicating that a higher degree polynomial does not always have a higher test error.

**2.1.2:** Suppose that  $\mathbf{x}$  has dimensions  $D \times 1$  and  $\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \mathbf{h}_2, \mathbf{g}$  have dimensions  $K \times 1$ . Define  $\mathbf{h}_{1i}$  as the i-th component of  $\mathbf{h}_1$  and similarly for  $\mathbf{z}_{1i}, \mathbf{h}_{2i}, \mathbf{z}_{2i}$ .

$$\begin{split} & \overline{\mathcal{J}} = 1 \\ & \overline{\mathcal{S}} = -\overline{\mathcal{J}} \\ & \overline{\mathcal{J}} = \left[ \frac{\partial S}{\partial \mathbf{y}_1'} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial S}{\partial \mathbf{y}_N'} \right]^T \overline{\mathcal{S}} = \left[ 0 \ \cdots \ \frac{1}{\mathbf{y}_t'} \ \cdots \ 0 \right]^T \overline{\mathcal{S}} \\ & \overline{\mathbf{y}} = \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1'}{\partial \mathbf{y}_1} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1'}{\partial \mathbf{y}_N} \right]^T \overline{\mathbf{y}}' = \operatorname{softmax}'(\mathbf{y})^T \overline{\mathbf{y}}' \\ & \overline{\mathbf{y}} = \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1'}{\partial \mathbf{y}_1} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_N'}{\partial \mathbf{y}_N} \right]^T \overline{\mathbf{y}}' = \operatorname{softmax}'(\mathbf{y})^T \overline{\mathbf{y}}' \\ & \overline{\mathbf{g}} = \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1}{\partial \mathbf{y}_1} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1}{\partial \mathbf{g}_K} \right]^T \overline{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{W}^{(3)T} \overline{\mathbf{y}} \\ & \overline{\mathbf{g}} = \left[ \frac{\mathbf{h}_{12} \overline{\mathbf{g}}}{\mathbf{g}_1} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_N}{\partial \mathbf{g}_K} \right]^T \overline{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{W}^{(3)T} \overline{\mathbf{y}} \\ & \overline{\mathbf{h}}_1 = \left[ \frac{\mathbf{h}_{12} \overline{\mathbf{g}}}{\mathbf{h}_{1K} \overline{\mathbf{g}_K}} \right] = \mathbf{h}_1 \circ \overline{\mathbf{g}} \\ & \overline{\mathbf{h}}_1 = \left[ \mathbf{I}(\mathbf{z}_{11} > 0) \right] \circ \overline{\mathbf{h}}_1 \text{ where } \mathbb{I} \text{ is the indicator function} \\ & \overline{\mathbf{z}}_1 = \left[ \overline{\mathbf{g}}(\mathbf{z}_{11}) \right] \circ \overline{\mathbf{h}}_1 \text{ where } \mathbb{I} \text{ is the indicator function} \\ & \overline{\mathbf{z}}_2 = \left[ \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{z}_{21})}{\mathbf{g}} \right] \circ \left[ \mathbf{h}_{1T} \mathbf{h} \right] \circ \overline{\mathbf{h}}_2 \\ & \overline{\mathbf{y}} = \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_D} \right] \mathbf{y} \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_{11}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_{11}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_D} \right] \mathbf{z}_1 + \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_{21}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} \ \cdots \ \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_{2K}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_D} \right]^T \overline{\mathbf{z}}_2 \\ & = \mathbf{W}^{(4)T} \overline{\mathbf{y}} + \mathbf{W}^{(1)T} \overline{\mathbf{z}}_1 + \mathbf{W}^{(2)T} \overline{\mathbf{z}}_2 \end{aligned}$$

#### 2.2.1:

$$\mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{h} = \operatorname{ReLU}(\mathbf{z}) = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{h}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1}{\partial \mathbf{h}_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_1}{\partial \mathbf{h}_3} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_3}{\partial \mathbf{h}_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_3}{\partial \mathbf{h}_3} \end{bmatrix} \overline{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{W}^{(2)T} \overline{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{z}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}(\mathbf{z}_1 > 0) \\ \mathbf{I}(\mathbf{z}_2 > 0) \\ \mathbf{I}(\mathbf{z}_3 > 0) \end{bmatrix} \circ \overline{\mathbf{h}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}} = (\overline{\mathbf{z}} \mathbf{x}^T)^T = (\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix})^T = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 6 & 0 \\ -12 & 18 & 0 \\ -4 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{W}^{(2)}} = (\overline{\mathbf{y}} \mathbf{h}^T)^T = (\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix})^T = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 8 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$||\overline{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}}||_F^2 = \operatorname{trace}(\begin{bmatrix} -4 & -12 & -4 \\ 6 & 18 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 6 & 0 \\ -12 & 18 & 0 \\ -4 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}) = 572$$

$$||\overline{\mathbf{W}^{(2)}}||_F^2 = \operatorname{trace}(\begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 0 \\ 8 & 1 & 0 \\ 8 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 8 & 8 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}) = 195$$

#### 2.2.2:

$$||\overline{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}}||_F^2 = ||\mathbf{x}||_2^2 ||\overline{\mathbf{z}}||_2^2 = (1^2 + 3^2 + 1^2)((-4)^2 + 6^2) = (11)(52) = 572$$
$$||\overline{\mathbf{W}^{(2)}}||_F^2 = ||\mathbf{h}||_2^2 ||\overline{\mathbf{y}}||_2^2 = (8^2 + 1^2)(1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2) = (37)(3) = 195$$

		T (Naive)	T (Efficient)	M (Naive)	M (Efficient)
2.2.3:	Forward pass	$NKD^2$	$NKD^2$	$O(KD^2 + NKD)$	$O(KD^2 + NKD)$
	Backward pass	$2NKD^2$	$NKD^2$	$O(NKD^2)$	$O(KD^2 + NKD)$
	Gradient norm	$NKD^2$	NK(2D+1)	$O(NKD^2)$	O(NKD)

### • Forward pass:

- For both the naive and efficient methods, there are  $D^2$  scalar multiplications per weight matrix and input vector, and there are K matrices and N vectors, resulting in  $NKD^2$  overall.
- Both methods need to store these K matrices with  $D^2$  parameters each  $(O(KD^2))$  and NK vectors with D parameters each (O(NKD)).

### • Backward pass:

- Similar to the forward pass, both methods require  $D^2$  scalar multiplications for each of K matrices and N vectors to calculate the error vectors. However, the naive method also needs

to compute NK Jacobians of the weights, each of which is an outer product with  $\mathbb{D}^2$  scalar multiplications.

– The naive method needs to store the activations (O(NKD)), error vectors (O(NKD)), weights  $(O(KD^2))$ , and the Jacobians of the weights  $(O(NKD^2))$ , resulting in  $O(NKD^2 + KD^2 + 2NKD)$  or  $O(NKD^2)$  overall. However, the efficient method does not need to store the Jacobians, resulting in  $O(KD^2 + 2NKD)$  or  $O(KD^2 + NKD)$  overall.

## • Gradient norm:

- The naive method requires  $D^2$  scalar multiplications to calculate the norm for each of NK Jacobians, while the efficient method only requires 2D multiplications to calculate the norm, plus an additional multiplication at the end, for each of NK Jacobians.
- The naive method needs to store NK Jacobians with  $D^2$  parameters each  $(O(NKD^2))$ , while the efficient methods only needs to store NK vectors with D parameters each (O(NKD)).

**3.1:** 
$$\mathbf{W}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $\mathbf{W}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}^{(1)} = \mathbf{b}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\varphi^{(1)}(z) = |z|$ ,  $\varphi^{(2)}(z) = z$ .

### **3.2:** Using merge sort:

