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### Problem 1

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### Part 3

- Test result for USPS data when B= 60

Code:

```
x<-read.table("uspsdata.txt")
y<-read.table("uspscl.txt")[,1]
n=nrow(x)
set.seed=1
ada_60=AdaBoost(x,y,60)
allpars_60=ada_60$allpars
alpha_60=ada_60$alpha
c_hat_60=agg_class(x,alpha_60,allpars_60)
```

sample of alpha and allpars

```
--
> ada_60
$alpha
 [1] 1.6214863 1.0633568 1.1600821 0.8927868 0.6038988 0.6408494 0.4421925 0.6084815
 [9] 0.5356946 0.4858256 0.4617793 0.5093852 0.4886119 0.4162222 0.3850488 0.4431448
[17] 0.3986194 0.4600670 0.3619578 0.3006652 0.4583975 0.3954913 0.3167800 0.3619256
[25] 0.3594495 0.3720204 0.3334995 0.2616918 0.2536257 0.3418120 0.2324946 0.3424301
[33] 0.3370463 0.3250948 0.3663054 0.2715065 0.3673252 0.2686530 0.3924605 0.3322247
[41] 0.2475923 0.3166657 0.3238810 0.2786936 0.2169385 0.2938265 0.3311058 0.2837596
[49] 0.3041426 0.2685484 0.3341568 0.2811435 0.3225015 0.1898453 0.3190682 0.2763163
[57] 0.2317246 0.1950018 0.2858904 0.3213934

$allpars
$allpars[[1]]
$allpars[[1]]$j
[1] 165

$allpars[[1]]$theta
[1] 65.59

$allpars[[1]]$m
[1] 1
```

classification y

```
> c_hat_60
```

```
[1] -1 -1 1 1 1 -1 1 1 1 -1 1 1 1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 1 1 1 -1 -1 -1 -1
[31] 1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 1 1 1 -1 -1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 1 -1
[61] -1 1 1 -1 1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 -1 1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 1 -1 -1 -1
[91] -1 -1 1 1 -1 1 1 1 -1 1 -1 -1 1 -1 1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 -1 -1 -1
[121] 1 1 1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 1 -1 -1 1 -1 -1 1 -1
[151] -1 1 1 1 1 1 -1 1 -1 -1 -1 -1 1 1 1 -1 1 1 1 -1 -1 1 1 1 -1 -1
[181] 1 1 1 1 -1 1 1 -1 1 -1 -1 -1 1 1 -1 1 1 -1 1 1
```

● cross validation using B=100

test error matrix

```
> test_error_matrix
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
[1,] 0.200 0.200 0.250 0.325 0.250
[2,] 0.200 0.200 0.250 0.325 0.250
[3,] 0.150 0.200 0.225 0.325 0.150
[4,] 0.150 0.225 0.225 0.275 0.150
[5,] 0.175 0.175 0.225 0.225 0.150
[6,] 0.125 0.175 0.225 0.275 0.150
[7,] 0.200 0.150 0.200 0.200 0.175
[8,] 0.175 0.200 0.225 0.225 0.175
[9,] 0.175 0.175 0.200 0.250 0.125
[10,] 0.150 0.125 0.200 0.225 0.125
[11,] 0.150 0.125 0.200 0.225 0.150
[12,] 0.150 0.100 0.200 0.225 0.125
[13,] 0.175 0.150 0.200 0.225 0.150
[14,] 0.175 0.125 0.225 0.225 0.125
[15,] 0.175 0.125 0.200 0.225 0.125
[16,] 0.200 0.125 0.200 0.225 0.125
[17,] 0.175 0.125 0.200 0.225 0.125
[18,] 0.175 0.100 0.200 0.225 0.100
[19,] 0.175 0.100 0.200 0.225 0.100
```

train error matrix

```
> train_error_matrix
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
[1,] 0.18125 0.18125 0.14375 0.16250 0.14375
[2,] 0.18125 0.18125 0.14375 0.16250 0.14375
[3,] 0.15000 0.13750 0.10625 0.12500 0.12500
[4,] 0.15000 0.19375 0.11875 0.12500 0.11875
[5,] 0.13125 0.13125 0.09375 0.07500 0.08750
[6,] 0.10625 0.13750 0.07500 0.13125 0.10625
[7,] 0.13125 0.13750 0.06875 0.07500 0.10625
[8,] 0.11875 0.14375 0.06875 0.08750 0.11250
[9,] 0.12500 0.14375 0.05625 0.06250 0.08750
[10,] 0.10000 0.11875 0.05000 0.06875 0.10625
[11,] 0.11250 0.12500 0.03125 0.06250 0.08750
[12,] 0.08750 0.12500 0.04375 0.05625 0.08750
[13,] 0.08125 0.11250 0.04375 0.06250 0.08750
[14,] 0.06250 0.13125 0.05000 0.06875 0.08750
[15,] 0.08125 0.10625 0.03125 0.05625 0.08125
[16,] 0.05000 0.12500 0.04375 0.04375 0.10000
```

average of test error and train error under cross validation when  $B=100$

```
> avg_test_b
```

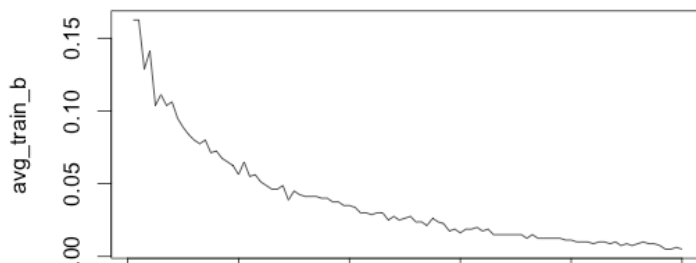
[1]	0.205	0.205	0.220	0.205	0.195	0.165	0.175	0.160	0.165	0.175	0.160	0.190	0.170	0.170	0.155
[16]	0.165	0.160	0.155	0.175	0.155	0.175	0.145	0.155	0.160	0.160	0.150	0.145	0.160	0.155	0.145
[31]	0.155	0.145	0.160	0.150	0.145	0.150	0.150	0.160	0.160	0.155	0.165	0.150	0.155	0.155	0.155
[46]	0.155	0.150	0.150	0.140	0.155	0.145	0.155	0.145	0.150	0.135	0.150	0.150	0.150	0.140	0.155
[61]	0.145	0.140	0.140	0.140	0.145	0.145	0.150	0.160	0.145	0.145	0.145	0.150	0.150	0.140	0.155

```
> avg_train_b
```

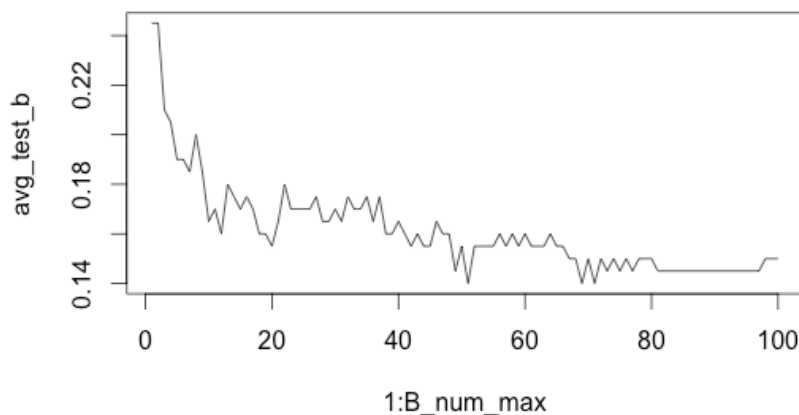
[illegible]

## Part 4

mean train error for each iteration b



mean test error for each b



As we can see from photo above, the training error reduces when  $B$  becomes larger and larger. When the training error is approximately zero, it means the model is overfitting. when  $d > 40$ , training error is almost zero.

The testing error is reduced a lot at first, especially before  $b = 40$  but later it become stable at a low level. It shows the adaboost method is very robust.

so I suggest to use  $b$  between 15-40.

## Problem 2 - $L_q$ regression

### Part 1:

$q = 0.5$  encourages sparse estimate but  $q = 4$  does not encourage sparse estimate.

when  $q = 0.5$ , the minimum  $l(0.5)$  distance to the origin is located at a point on the axis for every ellipse iso-line of the square loss that has an intersection with an axis. Therefore, the entry for the other axis must be zero. However, in terms of  $q = 4$ , it encourages  $\beta(i)$  if approximately same size.

Part 2: which achieve the smallest cost under the  $L_q$  constrained least square cost function?

when  $q = 0.5$ , the cost optimal is  $x_3$  because it is at the  $\beta(2)$  axis.

when  $q = 4$ , the cost optimal is  $x_4$  because the penalty isoline could be shrinked until it meets the ellipse at  $x_4$ , which is the only choice.

## Code

### Part 1:

#### AdaBoost Function

```
# x is the n*p data matrix
# y is the response variable, -1 and 1
# B_num is the number of weak classifiers

## part a ##

## adaboost function is aimed to find alpha, allpars under the adaboost
AdaBoost=function(x,y,B_num){

  n=nrow(x)

  # start with an initial weight vector
  w_original=1/n
  w_vector=rep(w_original,times=n)

  ##pre-allocate an empty vector and list
  alpha=rep(NA,times=B_num)
  allpars=rep(list(list()),length=B_num)

  for(i in 1:B_num){
    # step 1 Training parameters using train function
    pars=train(x,w_vector,y)
    allpars[[i]]=pars
    # step 2 classification y function
    label=Classify(x,pars)
    # step 3 check errors
    error_ind=(y!=label)
    # step 4 compute errors
    w_error_vector=w_vector[error_ind]
    error=sum(w_error_vector)/sum(w_vector)
    # step 5 compute alpha
    alpha_value=log((1-error)/error)
    alpha[i]=alpha_value
    #step 6 compute the new weight
    w_vector=w_vector*exp(alpha_value*error_ind)
  }

  return (list(alpha=alpha,allpars=allpars))
}
```

agg\_class function

## part b ##

## agg\_class function make the final y classification under the adaboost, which is c\_hat

```
agg_class=function(x,alpha,allpars){  
  n=nrow(x)  
  B_num=length(alpha)  
  ## Create an empty list  
  lable_matrix=matrix(NA,nrow=B_num,ncol=n)  
  
  for(i in 1:B_num){  
    lable_matrix[i,]=alpha[i]*Classify(x,allpars[[i]])  
  }  
  
  hat=apply(lable_matrix,2,sum)  
  c_hat=sign(hat)  
  return(c_hat)  
}
```

Part 2

Train and classify function

#### problem 2 ####

#part a #

```
train=function (x, w, y){  
  p=ncol(x)  
  n=nrow(x)  
  
  y_hat=vector()  
  error=vector()  
  best_i=vector()  
  best_i_error=vector()  
  
  for (j in 1:p) {  
  
    #reoder x, y,w from small to large  
    x_col_j=x[,j]  
    ind_order=order(x_col_j)  
    x_col_j_new=x_col_j[ind_order]  
    y_new=y[ind_order]  
    w_new=w[ind_order]
```

```

# check for duplicate
x_col_j_new_single=unique(x_col_j_new)
n_new=length(x_col_j_new_single)

for(i in 1:n_new){
  ind_1=x_col_j_new <= x_col_j_new_single[i]
  ind_2=x_col_j_new > x_col_j_new_single[i]
  y_hat[ind_1]=-1
  y_hat[ind_2]=1
  error[i]=sum(w_new*(y_new !=y_hat))/sum(w_new)

}

best_i[j]= x_col_j_new_single[which.min(error)]
best_i_error[j]=min(error)
}
best_j=which.min(best_i_error)
best_i=best_i[best_j]
pars<-list(j = best_j, theta = best_i,m = 1)
return(pars)
}

```

```

#part b #
Classify=function(x,pars){
  label=vector()
  j_ind=pars$j
  x_j=x[,j_ind]
  ind_1=x_j <= pars$theta
  ind_2=x_j > pars$theta
  label[ind_1]=-1
  label[ind_2]=1
  return(label)
}

```

```
#### problem 3 ####
```

```
# test if the algorithm works
# B_num=8
x<-read.table("uspsdata.txt")
y<-read.table("uspscl.txt")[,1]
n=nrow(x)
set.seed=1
ada_60=AdaBoost(x,y,60)
allpars_60=ada_60$allpars
alpha_60=ada_60$alpha
c_hat_60=agg_class(x,alpha_60,allpars_60)
```

```
## implement 5-fold cross validation
```

```
B_num_max=100
```

```
test_error_matrix=matrix(NA,nrow=100,ncol=5)
train_error_matrix=matrix(NA,nrow=100,ncol=5)
```

```
set.seed=50
ind=sample.int(200)
ind_1=which(ind<=40)
ind_2=which(ind>=41 & ind<=80)
ind_3=which(ind>=81 & ind<=120)
ind_4=which(ind>=121 & ind<=160)
ind_5=which(ind>=161 & ind<=200)
```

```
ind_matrix=matrix(NA,nrow=5,ncol=40)
ind_matrix[1,]=ind_1
ind_matrix[2,]=ind_2
ind_matrix[3,]=ind_3
ind_matrix[4,]=ind_4
ind_matrix[5,]=ind_5
```

```
for(i in 1:5){
  test_ind=ind_matrix[i,]
  test_ind=as.vector(test_ind)
  train_ind=ind_matrix[-i,]
  train_ind=as.vector(train_ind)

  x_test=x[test_ind,]
  x_train=x[train_ind,]
```



```

y_test=y[test_ind]
y_train=y[train_ind]

result=AdaBoost(x_train,y_train,B_num_max)
allpars=result$allpars
alpha=result$alpha

for(j in 1:B_num_max){

  c_hat_test=agg_class(x_test,alpha[1:j],allpars[1:j])
  test_error_ind=(c_hat_test != y_test)
  test_error_matrix[j,i]=mean(test_error_ind)

  c_hat_train=agg_class(x_train,alpha[1:j],allpars[1:j])
  train_error_ind=(c_hat_train != y_train)
  train_error_matrix[j,i]=mean(train_error_ind)

}

}

# vector of length b that represent the average test error for each iteration b
avg_test_b=apply(test_error_matrix,1,mean)
which.min(avg_test_b)
# vector of length b that represent the average train error for each iteration b
avg_train_b=apply(train_error_matrix,1,mean)

### Problem 4 ###

plot(1:B_num_max,avg_test_b,type="l",main="mean test error for each b")
plot(1:B_num_max,avg_train_b,type="l",main="mean train error for each iteraiton b")

```