#### 1 Basics

## 1.1 Configuration Space

Let  $z \in \mathbb{R}^E$  represent the embeding vector, m = 1, ..., M is the categorical label, and  $q_m(z, \theta) := \operatorname{softmax}_m(f(z, \theta))$  with  $f(\cdot, \theta)$  a neural network parameterized by  $\theta$ . Given  $(z, \theta)$ , we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \ln q_m = \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial \theta} - \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial \theta}.$$
 (1)

Consider  $f_{\alpha}(z,\theta) = \sum_{\beta} U_{\alpha\beta} \sigma(\sum_{\gamma} W_{\beta\gamma} z_{\gamma} + b_{\beta}) + c_{\alpha}$ , where  $\sigma$  represents the SiLU activation, that is,  $\sigma(x) = x/(1 + e^{-x})$ .

#### 1.2 Data and Action

Given the distribution of real world data p, the relative entropy between p and q is

$$H[p,q] = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \ln p(z,m) - \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \ln q_m(z,\theta).$$

The first term is  $\theta$ -independent. Thus, the action of  $\theta$  shall be the second term, that is

$$S(\theta) := -\sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \ln q_m(z,\theta). \tag{2}$$

This action has the minimum  $S(\theta_{\star}) = 0$ , where  $q_m(z, \theta_{\star}) = 1$  for each z.

Assume that  $p(m) := \sum_{z} p(z, m) = 1/M$  for all m = 1,...,M, meaning that the data have been properly balanced.

# 2 Taylor Expansion of Action

Now, we are to Taylor expand  $S(\theta)$  at  $\theta = 0$ . Denote the expansion by

$$S(\theta) =: S_0 + S_1(\theta) + \cdots, \tag{3}$$

where  $S_n(\theta) \sim \theta^n$ , and  $S_0 := S(0)$  is  $\theta$ -independent.

## 2.1 Zeroth Order

When  $\theta = 0$  (i.e. U, c, W, b = 0), we have  $f_{\alpha}(z, 0) = 0$ , thus  $q_{\alpha}(z, 0) = \operatorname{softmax}_{\alpha}(f(z, 0)) = 1/M$  for all  $\alpha = 1, ..., M$ . So,

$$S_0 = \ln M. \tag{4}$$

# 2.2 First Order

Plugging in equation 1, we have

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \theta} = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial \theta} - \frac{\partial f_{m}}{\partial \theta} \right].$$

To calculate  $(\partial S/\partial \theta)(0)$ , we have to calculate  $(\partial f/\partial \theta)(z,0)$ . Replacing  $\theta$  by U,c,W, and b respectively, we have the non-vanishing terms

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}}(z,\theta) = \sigma \left( \sum_{\gamma} W_{\beta\gamma} z_{\gamma} + b_{\beta} \right); \\ &\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial c_{\alpha}}(z,\theta) = 1; \\ &\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial W_{\beta\gamma}}(z,\theta) = U_{\alpha\beta} \, \sigma' \bigg( \sum_{\gamma'} W_{\beta\gamma'} z_{\gamma'} + b_{\beta} \bigg) z_{\gamma}; \\ &\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial b_{\beta}}(z,\theta) = U_{\alpha\beta} \, \sigma' \bigg( \sum_{\gamma'} W_{\beta\gamma'} z_{\gamma'} + b_{\beta} \bigg). \end{split}$$

Setting  $\theta = 0$ , only

$$\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial c_{\alpha}}(z,0) = 1$$

is left. Thus, we shall take  $\theta \rightarrow c_{\alpha}$ , that is,

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial c_{\alpha}}(0) = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \sum_{\alpha'} q_{\alpha'} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} - \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial c_{\alpha}} \right]$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} = \cdots \right\} = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\alpha'} \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} - \delta_{m\alpha} \right]$$

$$\left\{ p(m) = \frac{1}{M} \right\} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\alpha'} \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m} \delta_{m\alpha}$$

$$= 0.$$

So,

$$S_1(\theta) = 0. (5)$$

## 2.3 Second Order

Taking derivative on  $\partial S/\partial \theta$  and plugging in equation 1, we arrive at

$$\frac{\partial^{2} S}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'} = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \left( \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial \theta'} + \frac{\partial^{2} f_{\alpha}}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'} \right) - \sum_{\alpha,\beta} q_{\alpha} q_{\beta} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial \theta'} - \frac{\partial^{2} f_{m}}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'} \right].$$

To calculate  $(\partial^2 S/\partial\theta\partial\theta')(0)$ , we have to calculate  $(\partial^2 f/\partial\theta\partial\theta')(z,0)$ . We have the non-vanishing terms

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\partial^2 f_\alpha}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}}(z,\theta) = \sigma' \bigg( \sum_{\gamma'} W_{\beta\gamma'} z_{\gamma'} + b_\beta \bigg) z_{\gamma}; \\ &\frac{\partial^2 f_\alpha}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial b_\beta}(z,\theta) = \sigma' \bigg( \sum_{\gamma'} W_{\beta\gamma'} z_{\gamma'} + b_\beta \bigg); \\ &\frac{\partial^2 f_\alpha}{\partial W_{\beta\gamma}\partial W_{\beta\gamma'}}(z,\theta) = U_{\alpha\beta} \, \sigma'' \bigg( \sum_{\gamma''} W_{\beta\gamma''} z_{\gamma''} + b_\beta \bigg) z_{\gamma} z_{\gamma'}; \\ &\frac{\partial^2 f_\alpha}{\partial W_{\beta\gamma}\partial b_\beta}(z,\theta) = U_{\alpha\beta} \, \sigma'' \bigg( \sum_{\gamma'} W_{\beta\gamma'} z_{\gamma'} + b_\beta \bigg) z_{\gamma}; \\ &\frac{\partial^2 f_\alpha}{\partial b_\beta \partial b_\beta}(z,\theta) = U_{\alpha\beta} \, \sigma'' \bigg( \sum_{\gamma'} W_{\beta\gamma'} z_{\gamma'} + b_\beta \bigg). \end{split}$$

Since  $\sigma(0) = 0$ ,  $\sigma'(0) = 1/2$ , we have, in addition to

$$\frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial c_{\alpha}}(z,0) = 1,$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial W_{\beta\gamma}}(z,0) = \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2},$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2 f_\alpha}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial b_\beta}(z,0) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

At  $\theta = 0$ , taking  $\theta \rightarrow c_{\alpha}$  and  $\theta' \rightarrow c_{\beta}$  gives

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial c_\alpha \partial c_\beta}(0) &= \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \sum_{\gamma} q_\gamma \frac{\partial f_\gamma}{\partial c_\alpha} \frac{\partial f_\gamma}{\partial c_\beta} - \sum_{\gamma,\gamma'} q_\gamma q_{\gamma'} \frac{\partial f_\gamma}{\partial c_\alpha} \frac{\partial f_{\gamma'}}{\partial c_\beta} \right] \\ \left\{ q_\alpha &= \frac{1}{M'}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} = \cdots \right\} &= \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \frac{1}{M} \delta_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{M^2} \right] \\ \left\{ \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) = 1 \right\} &= \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta}}{M} - \frac{1}{M^2}. \end{split}$$

Taking  $\theta \to U_{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\theta' \to W_{\beta\gamma}$  gives

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}}(0) &= \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \sum_{\alpha'} q_{\alpha'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha'}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}} - \frac{\partial^2 f_m}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}} \right] \\ \left\{ q_{\alpha} &= \frac{1}{M}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial U \partial W} = \cdots \right\} = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2M} - \frac{\delta_{m\alpha} z_{\gamma}}{2} \right] \\ &= \sum_{z} p(z) \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2M} - \sum_{z} p(z,\alpha) \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2} \\ \left\{ p(z,\alpha) = p(\alpha) \ p(z|\alpha) \right\} &= \sum_{z} p(z) \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2M} - p(\alpha) \sum_{z} p(z|\alpha) \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2} \\ \left\{ p(\alpha) &= \frac{1}{M} \right\} &= \sum_{z} p(z) \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2M} - \sum_{z} p(z|\alpha) \frac{z_{\gamma}}{2M} \\ &= \frac{1}{2M} (\mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)}[z_{\gamma}] - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z|\alpha)}[z_{\gamma}]). \end{split}$$

But, taking  $\theta \rightarrow U_{\alpha\beta}$  and  $\theta' \rightarrow b_{\beta}$  gives

$$\frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial b_{\beta}}(0) = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \sum_{\alpha'} q_{\alpha'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha'}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial b_{\beta}} - \frac{\partial^2 f_m}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial b_{\beta}} \right]$$

$$\left\{ q_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{M'}, \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial U \partial b} = \cdots \right\} = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \left[ \sum_{\alpha'} \frac{\delta_{\alpha\alpha'}}{2M} - \frac{\delta_{m\alpha}}{2} \right]$$

$$\left\{ p(m) = \frac{1}{M} \right\} = \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{\alpha'} \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} - \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{m} \delta_{m\alpha}$$

$$= 0.$$

So,

$$S_2(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \left( \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta}}{M} - \frac{1}{M^2} \right) c_{\alpha} c_{\beta} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha,\gamma} \frac{J_{\alpha\gamma}}{2M} \sum_{\beta} U_{\alpha\beta} W_{\beta\gamma}$$
 (6)

where  $J_{\alpha\gamma} := \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)}[z_{\gamma}] - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z|\alpha)}[z_{\gamma}].$ 

By numerical computation, we find that the matrix  $\delta/M-1/M^2$  is non-positive definite since it has non-positive determinant. The term  $\sum_{\beta} U_{\alpha\beta} W_{\beta\gamma}$  can be seen as a "propagation" from the  $\gamma$ -neuron to the  $\alpha$ -neuron, weighted by  $J_{\alpha\gamma}/(2M)$ . Computed on fashion-MNIST dataset, components of J vary from -0.1 to 0.075.

But, numerical computation shows that there is not lower bound for the second term of  $S_2$ . This means, the |U| and |W| grows until the next order takes part in. And the matrix  $\delta_{\alpha\beta} - 1/M$  has non-positive determinant for M = 2, 3, ..., which means c = 0 is also unstable. So, we have to consider the third order.

We further analyzed  $S_2$  on the best fit  $\theta_\star$ , trained on training data and evaluated on test data of fashion-MNIST dataset. We found that it is the second term that dominates  $S_2(\theta_\star)$ . Interestingly, both the terms  $J_{\alpha\gamma}$  and  $\sum_{\beta} U_{\alpha\beta} W_{\beta\gamma}$ , as rank-2 tensors, have Gaussian distributed elements, centered at zero. But, the multiplied,  $J_{\alpha\gamma} \sum_{\beta} U_{\alpha\beta} W_{\beta\gamma}$ , has highly biased elements, most of which are negative. This terms represents the correlation between an output class and a single input dimension.

#### 2.4 Third Order

Taking derivative on  $\frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial \theta^2}$  and plugging in equation 1, we have

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial^3 S}{\partial\theta\partial\theta'\partial\theta'''} &= \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha} q_{\alpha} \left[ \frac{\partial^3 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta\partial\theta'\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta\partial\theta'} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta'} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha}}{\partial\theta'} \frac{\partial f_{\beta}}{\partial\theta''} \frac{\partial f$$

To calculate  $(\partial^3 S/\partial\theta\partial\theta'\partial\theta'')(0)$ , we have to calculate  $(\partial^3 f/\partial\theta\partial\theta'\partial\theta'')(z,0)$ . Since  $\sigma(0) = 0$ ,  $\sigma'(0) = 1/2$ , and  $\sigma''(0) = 1/6$ , we have the non-vanishing terms

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial^3 f_{\alpha}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial W_{\beta\gamma} \partial W_{\beta\delta}}(z,0) &= \frac{z_{\gamma} z_{\delta}}{6}; \\ \frac{\partial^3 f_{\alpha}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial W_{\beta\gamma} b_{\beta}}(z,0) &= \frac{z_{\gamma}}{6}; \\ \frac{\partial^3 f_{\alpha}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial b_{\beta} \partial b_{\beta}}(z,\theta) &= \frac{1}{6}. \end{split}$$

Thus, taking  $\theta \rightarrow c_{\alpha}$ ,  $\theta' \rightarrow c_{\beta}$  and  $\theta'' \rightarrow c_{\gamma}$  gives

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial^{3}S}{\partial c_{\alpha}\partial c_{\beta}\partial c_{\gamma}}(0) &= \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha'} q_{\alpha'} \left[ \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\beta}} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\gamma}} \right] \\ &- \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha',\beta'} q_{\alpha'} q_{\beta'} \left[ \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\beta}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\beta}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\gamma}} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\beta}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\gamma}} + \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\beta}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\gamma}} \right] \\ &+ 2 \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha',\beta',\gamma'} q_{\alpha'} q_{\beta'} q_{\gamma'} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\alpha}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\beta}} \frac{\partial f_{\gamma'}}{\partial c_{\gamma}} \\ &\left\{ q_{\alpha} \equiv \frac{1}{M}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} = \delta \right\} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\alpha'} \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} \delta_{\beta\alpha'} \delta_{\gamma\alpha'} - \frac{1}{M^{2}} \sum_{\alpha',\beta'} \left[ \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} \delta_{\beta\alpha'} \delta_{\gamma\alpha'} \delta_{\beta\alpha'} \delta_{\gamma\beta'} + \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} \delta_{\beta\beta'} \delta_{\gamma\alpha'} + \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} \delta_{\beta\beta'} \delta_{\gamma\beta'} \right] + \frac{2}{M^{3}} \sum_{\alpha',\beta',\gamma'} \delta_{\alpha\alpha'} \delta_{\beta\beta'} \delta_{\gamma\gamma'} \\ &= \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}}{M} - \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta} + \delta_{\alpha\gamma} + \delta_{\beta\gamma}}{M^{2}} + \frac{2}{M^{3}}. \end{split}$$

Taking  $\theta \to U_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $\theta' \to W_{\beta\gamma}$  and  $\theta'' \to c_{\delta}$  gives

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial^3 S}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}\partial c_{\delta}}(0) &= \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha'} q_{\alpha'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha'}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}} \frac{\partial f_{\alpha'}}{\partial c_{\delta}} \\ &- \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha',\beta'} q_{\alpha'} q_{\beta'} \frac{\partial^2 f_{\alpha'}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}} \frac{\partial f_{\beta'}}{\partial c_{\delta}} \\ \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial U\partial W} = \cdots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial c} = \delta \right\} &= \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha'} \frac{1}{M} \frac{\delta_{\alpha\alpha'} z_{\gamma}}{2} \delta_{\delta\alpha'} - \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha',\beta'} \frac{1}{M^2} \frac{\delta_{\alpha\alpha'} z_{\gamma}}{2} \delta_{\delta\beta'} \\ &= \left( \frac{\delta_{\alpha\delta}}{2M} - \frac{1}{2M^2} \right) Z_{\gamma} \end{split}$$

where  $Z_{\gamma} \coloneqq \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)}[z_{\gamma}]$ . Following the same process, we find

$$\frac{\partial^3 S}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial b_\beta\partial c_\gamma}(0) = \frac{\delta_{\alpha\gamma}}{2M} - \frac{1}{2M^2}.$$

Taking  $\theta \to U_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $\theta' \to W_{\beta\gamma}$  and  $\theta'' \to W_{\beta\delta}$  gives

$$\frac{\partial^{3} S}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial W_{\beta\gamma} \partial W_{\beta\delta}}(0) = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha'} q_{\alpha'} \frac{\partial^{3} f_{\alpha'}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial W_{\beta\gamma} \partial W_{\beta\delta}} - \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \frac{\partial^{3} f_{m}}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial W_{\beta\gamma} \partial W_{\beta\delta}}$$

$$\left\{ q_{\alpha} \equiv \frac{1}{M'}, \frac{\partial^{3} f}{\partial U \partial W \partial W} = \cdots \right\} = \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \sum_{\alpha'} \frac{1}{M} \frac{\delta_{\alpha\alpha'} z_{\gamma} z_{\delta}}{6} - \sum_{z,m} p(z,m) \frac{\delta_{m\alpha} z_{\gamma} z_{\delta}}{6}$$

$$\left\{ p(\alpha) \equiv \frac{1}{M} \right\} = \frac{1}{6M} J_{\alpha\gamma\delta}$$

where  $J_{\alpha\gamma\delta} := \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)}[z_{\gamma}z_{\delta}] - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z|\alpha)}[z_{\gamma}z_{\delta}]$ . Following the same process, we find

$$\frac{\partial^3 S}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta}\partial W_{\beta\gamma}\partial b_{\beta}}(0) = \frac{1}{6M}(\mathbb{E}_{z\sim p(z)}[z_{\gamma}] - \mathbb{E}_{z\sim p(z|\alpha)}[z_{\gamma}]) = \frac{1}{6M}J_{\alpha\gamma}$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^3 S}{\partial U_{\alpha\beta} \partial b_{\beta} \partial b_{\beta}}(0) = 0.$$

So,

$$\begin{split} S_{3}(\theta) &= \sum_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} \left( \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta\gamma}}{6M} - \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta} + \delta_{\alpha\gamma} + \delta_{\beta\gamma}}{6M^{2}} + \frac{1}{3M^{3}} \right) c_{\alpha}c_{\beta}c_{\gamma} \\ &+ \sum_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} \left( \frac{\delta_{\alpha\gamma}}{12M} - \frac{1}{12M^{2}} \right) U_{\alpha\beta}b_{\beta}c_{\gamma} \\ &+ \sum_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta} \left( \frac{Z_{\gamma}}{12M} - \frac{Z_{\gamma}}{12M^{2}} \right) U_{\alpha\beta}W_{\beta\gamma}c_{\delta} \\ &+ \sum_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta} \frac{J_{\alpha\gamma}}{36M} U_{\alpha\beta}W_{\beta\gamma}b_{\beta} \\ &+ \sum_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\delta} \frac{J_{\alpha\gamma\delta}}{36M} U_{\alpha\beta}W_{\beta\gamma}W_{\beta\delta}. \end{split}$$

Numerical computation again shows that, up to the third order, the action still has no lower bound.

We further analyzed  $S_3$  on the best fit  $\theta_\star$ . We found that it is the last term that dominates  $S_2(\theta_\star)$ . Interestingly, like the case of  $S_2$ , both the terms  $J_{\alpha\gamma\delta}$  and  $\sum_{\beta} U_{\alpha\beta}W_{\beta\gamma}W_{\beta\delta}$ , as rank-3 tensors, have Gaussian distributed elements, centered at zero. But, the multiplied,  $J_{\alpha\gamma\delta}U_{\alpha\beta}W_{\beta\gamma}W_{\beta\delta}$ , has highly biased elements, most of which are positive. This terms represents the correlation between an output class and two input dimensions.

## 2.5 Higher Orders

Based on the previous analysis, it is suspected that the main contribution from  $S_{n+1}(\theta_{\star})$  to  $S(\theta_{\star})$  is

$$\frac{\sigma^{(n)}(0)}{(n+1)!M} \sum_{\alpha,\gamma_1,\ldots,\gamma_n} J_{\alpha\gamma_1\cdots\gamma_n} \sum_{\beta} U_{\alpha\beta} W_{\beta\gamma_1}\cdots W_{\beta\gamma_n}$$

which characterizes the correlation between an output class  $\alpha$  and the input dimensions  $\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_n$ , and  $J_{\alpha\gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_n} \coloneqq \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)}[z_{\gamma_1} \cdots z_{\gamma_n}] - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z|\alpha)}[z_{\gamma_1} \cdots z_{\gamma_n}]$  as usual.