

A series of black lines of varying lengths and orientations are drawn across the top-left portion of the page, creating a complex, abstract geometric pattern.

# PRINCIPLES OF MACHINE LEARNING

## Exercise Sheet 1

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# TASK 1 - NUMERICAL INSTABILITIES

## Task 1.1.1

### Code:

```
matX = np.array([[ 1.00000, 0.00000, 0.00000], [-1.00000, 0.00001, 0.00000]])  
vecY = np.array( [ 0.00000, 0.00001, 0.00000] )  
vecW = la.inv(matX @ matX.T) @ matX @ vecY  
print (vecW)
```

Output: [0.999999992 0.999999992]

The solution is off by a slight bit because the matrix inverse cannot be computed exactly with the given precision (Matrix is ill-conditioned)

# TASK 1 - NUMERICAL INSTABILITIES

## Task 1.1.2

### Code:

```
matX = np.array([[ 1.00000, 0.00000, 0.00000], [-1.00000, 0.00001, 0.00000]])  
  
vecY = np.array( [ 0.00000, 0.00001, 0.00000] )  
  
Xt_Q,Xt_R = la.qr(matX.T)  
  
vecW = la.inv(Xt_R) @ Xt_Q.T @ vecY  
  
print (vecW)
```

Output: [1. 1.]

The solution is accurate because we only need to invert an upper triangle matrix which can be done exactly (Matrix is still ill-conditioned but our calculation doesn't propagate)

# TASK 1 - NUMERICAL INSTABILITIES

## Task 1.1.3

### Code:

```
matX = np.array([[ 1.00000, 0.00000, 0.00000], [-1.00000, 0.00001, 0.00000]])  
vecY = np.array( [ 0.00000, 0.00001, 0.00000] )  
vecW = la.lstsq(matX.T, vecY, rcond=-1)[0]  
print (vecW)
```

### Output: [1. 1.]

The method does not use the equation (3)  $w_* = [XX^T]^{-1}Xy$  directly. As the parameter "rcond=-1" enforces the `la.lstsq()` function to use machine precision and we also used machine precision for Task 1.1.1 where (3) is used, the accurate Output proves that “`la.lstsq()`” does not use equation (3)

# TASK 1 - NUMERICAL INSTABILITIES

## Task 1.1.4

- Rounding errors will emerge when using machine precision
- One should always think about the condition of the input arguments and the error propagation within our calculations
- In this case the posed problem with input-matrix  $\text{matX}$  is not very well-conditioned
- Inverting any matrix should always be avoided where possible. As seen above, the replacement of a matrix inversion by inverting an upper triangle matrix is sufficient in this case

# TASK 2 - CELLULAR AUTOMATA

## Task 1.2.1

### Code:

```
matX = np.array([[ 1,  1,  1,  1, -1, -1, -1, -1], [ 1,  1, -1, -1,  1,  1, -1, -1], [ 1, -1,  1, -1,  1, -1,  1, -1]])
```

```
vecY110 = np.array([ 1,-1,-1,-1, 1,-1,-1, 1])
```

```
vecW110 = la.lstsq(matX.T, vecY110, rcond=None)[0]
```

```
vecYhat110 = matX.T @ vecW110
```

### Output:

```
vecY110: [ 1 -1 -1 -1  1 -1 -1  1]; vecYhat110: [ 0.25 -0.25 -0.25 -0.75  0.75  0.25  0.25 -0.25]
```

```
Residual for rule 110: [ 0.75 -0.75 -0.75 -0.25  0.25 -1.25 -1.25  1.25]
```

The least squares problem cannot be fitted appropriately by linear models. In a way, we are prescribing a random 8-dimensional target vector to our 3-dimensional feature map and expecting the emerging problem to be of linear nature which it is unsurprisingly not

$X^T$			$y$
+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
-1	-1	-1	+1

rule 110

$$w_* = \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^3}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|X^T w - y\|^2$$

$$\hat{y} = X^T w_*$$

# TASK 2 - CELLULAR AUTOMATA

## Task 1.2.2 - Theory

Let us denote our index set of the entries  $x_j$  of  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}^n$  by  $I := \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

The Boolean Fourier series expansion is defined as:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathcal{S} \in 2^I} w_{\mathcal{S}} \prod_{j \in \mathcal{S}} x_j \quad \text{with} \quad \varphi_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{j \in \mathcal{S}} x_j$$

Therefore, we can rewrite: 
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathcal{S} \in 2^I} w_{\mathcal{S}} \varphi_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x})$$

Task: Implement  $\boldsymbol{\varphi}(\mathbf{x})$

# TASK 2 - CELLULAR AUTOMATA

## Task 1.2.2 - Application

Code:

```
def powerset(iterable):
    # powerset([1,2,3]) --> () (1,) (2,) (3,) (1,2) (1,3) (2,3) (1,2,3)
    s = list(iterable)
    return iter.chain.from_iterable(iter.combinations(s, r) for r in range(len(s)+1))

def phi(vecX):
    # This function realizes the transformation phi by taking any vector x and returning the vector phi(x) with size 2^n
    n = vecX.shape[0]
    vecPhiX = np.zeros(pow(2,n))
    iteration = 0
    for S in powerset(range(n)):
        # This loop goes over every set S in the powerset of the index set I {0,1,...,n-1} (note that here the first index is 0 for obv. reasons)
        # The powerset of the index set is used instead of creating the powerset of {x_i} as the x_i's might get large leading to a high memory usage
        entry = 1
        for index in S:
            # This loop realizes the multiplication needed for computing phi_S(x)
            entry *= vecX[index]
        vecPhiX[iteration] = entry
        iteration += 1
    return vecPhiX
```

Result:

```
print (phi(np.array([2,3,5,7]))) [ 1.  2.  3.  5.  7.  6. 10. 14. 15. 21. 35. 30. 42. 70. 105. 210.]
```



# TASK 2 - CELLULAR AUTOMATA

## Task 1.2.3 - Breakdown of Task

We can write our initial matrix  $X$  like this:  $X^\top = \begin{bmatrix} - & \mathbf{x}_0^\top & - \\ - & \mathbf{x}_1^\top & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & \mathbf{x}_7^\top & - \end{bmatrix}$  where  $\mathbf{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} +1 \\ +1 \\ +1 \end{bmatrix}$   $\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} +1 \\ +1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$   $\dots$   $\mathbf{x}_7 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Now implement the following feature matrix:  $\Phi^\top = \begin{bmatrix} - & \varphi_0^\top & - \\ - & \varphi_1^\top & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & \varphi_7^\top & - \end{bmatrix}$  where  $\varphi_j = \varphi(\mathbf{x}_j)$

Then compute  $\mathbf{w}_* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^8} \|\Phi^\top \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y}\|^2$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \Phi^\top \mathbf{w}_*$

# TASK 2 - CELLULAR AUTOMATA

## Task 1.2.3 - Application

Code:

```
def Phi(matX):
    n, size = matX.shape
    matPhiXt = np.zeros( (size, pow(2,n)) )
    for column in range(size):
        # We replace each of the vectors  $x_i.T$  (rows of  $matX.T$ ) with the respective lifted vectors  $\phi_i.T$  (rows of  $matPhiXt$ )
        matPhiXt[column] = phi(matX.T[column])
    return matPhiXt.T

matPhiX = Phi(matX)

vecW110 = la.lstsq(matPhiX.T, vecY110, rcond=None)[0]
vecYhat110 = matPhiX.T @ vecW110
print("vecY110: ", vecY110, "; vecYhat110: ", vecYhat110)
print("Residual for rule 110: ", vecY110-vecYhat110)
```

Output: vecY110: [ 1 -1 -1 -1 1 -1 -1 1]; vecYhat110: [ 1. -1. -1. -1. 1. -1. -1. 1.]  
Residual for rule 110: [ 0.00000000e+00 -1.11022302e-16 2.22044605e-16 -3.33066907e-16 -4.44089210e-16  
0.00000000e+00 -4.44089210e-16 2.22044605e-16]

Result: The residual is negligible (at machine precision level). We had to pay for the good fit by increasing the dimension of the feature space to  $2^n$  (=8 in this case). This always allows a perfect fit for a  $2^n$  dimensional target vector (assuming all functions in the feature space are independent)

# TASK 3 – FRACTAL DIMENSION

## Task 1.3 - Breakdown of Task

1. Apply an appropriate binarization procedure to create a binary image in which foreground pixels are set to 1 and background pixels to 0 (given)
2. Create scaling factors  $S = \{1, 2, \dots, L - 2\}$  where  $L$  is given by the width/height of the picture  $w = h = 2^L$ . Fit the  $2^{l+1} \times 2^{l+1}$  boxes into the image and count in how many of those boxes there is a foreground pixel (a matrix entry with a 1). Do this for all  $l \in S$  with the scaling  $s_l = \frac{1}{2^l}$  and denote the count as  $n_l$ .
3. Now interpret the  $(\log n_l)_l$  as target vector for the data points  $\log_2 \frac{1}{s_l} = l$ . Estimate the slope  $D$  of the equation  $D \log \frac{1}{s_l} + b = \log n_l$

```
def linregression(vecX, vecY):  
    if vecX.shape != vecY.shape:  
        # Phi is the feature matrix for the linear regression with the data vector x  
        Phi = np.concatenate( ([np.ones(vecX.shape[0])], [vecX]), axis=0)  
        return la.lstsq(Phi.T, vecY, rcond=-1)[0]
```

# TASK 3 – FRACTAL DIMENSION

## Task 1.3 - Application

Code:

```
def fractaldim(imgF):
    imgBin = binarize(imgF)
    L = round(np.log2(imgBin.shape[0]))
    # We store the L's in the scalings vector because the scaling of each iteration can be computed separately and then we don't need to compute the log
    scalings = np.array(range(2,L))
    counts = np.array(range(2,L))
    for exponent in scalings:
        # pow(2,L-exponent) is exactly the number of frames each with width pow(2,exponent) that can be fitted into the total width (same for height)
        count = 0
        for i in range(pow(2,L-exponent)):
            for j in range(pow(2,L-exponent)):
                # The condition of the if statement is only true if at least one pixel of the block in the i-th row and the j-th column is "True"
                if np.any(imgBin[ (i*pow(2,exponent)):((i+1)*pow(2,exponent)), (j*pow(2,exponent)):((j+1)*pow(2,exponent))]):
                    count += 1
            counts[exponent-2] = count
        scalings *= -1
        scalings += L
    return linregression(scalings, np.log2(counts))[1]
```

Output: Fractal dimension of the Tree: 1.8463900565472446

Fractal dimension of the Lightning: 1.4934991270542086