

Fisher Discrimination

Pattern Recognition Homeworks

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Solutions

Problem 1

1.1

Solve the convex optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned}\min_{w_0} f(\mathbf{w}, w_0) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n + w_0 - t_n)^2 \\ \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{w}, w_0)}{\partial w_0} &= \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n + w_0 - t_n) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

yield

$$w_0 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n + t_n) = -\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N t_n$$

by definition,

$$\sum_{n=1}^N t_n = N_1 * \frac{N}{N_1} + N_2 * \left(-\frac{N}{N_2}\right) = 0$$

so

$$w_0 = -\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m}.$$

1.2

Solve the convex optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} f(\mathbf{w}, w_0) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m} - t_n)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{w}, w_0)}{\partial \mathbf{w}} &= \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m} - t_n) * \mathbf{x}_n \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^N ((\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T) \mathbf{w} - (\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}^T) \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{x}_n t_n) \\
&= \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T \right) \mathbf{w} - \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}^T \right) \mathbf{w} - \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n t_n \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}^T \\
&= \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T + \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n \left(\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n^T \right) \\
&= \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T + \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n + \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \right) \left(\sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n + \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \right)^T \\
&= \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T + \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T + \frac{N_1 N_2}{N} (-\mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{m}_2^T - \mathbf{m}_2 \mathbf{m}_1^T + \mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{m}_1^T + \mathbf{m}_2 \mathbf{m}_2^T) - N_1 \mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{m}_1^T - N_2 \mathbf{m}_2 \mathbf{m}_2^T \\
&= \frac{N_1 N_2}{N} (S_B) + \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}_1^T + \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}_2^T \\
&= \frac{N_1 N_2}{N} (S_B) + \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}_1^T - \sum_{n \in C_1} -\mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{x}_n^T + \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{m}_1^T \\
&+ \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}_2^T - \sum_{n \in C_2} -\mathbf{m}_2 \mathbf{x}_n^T + \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{m}_2 \mathbf{m}_2^T \\
&= \frac{N_1 N_2}{N} (S_B) + S_W
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n t_n = \sum_{n \in C_1} \mathbf{x}_n \frac{N}{N_1} - \sum_{n \in C_2} \mathbf{x}_n \frac{N}{N_2} = N(\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)$$

so the equation

$$\left(\frac{N_1 N_2}{N} (S_B) + S_W \right) \mathbf{w} = N(\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)$$

is derived.

1.3

from equation (4),

$$\frac{N_1 N_2}{N} S_B \mathbf{w} = \frac{N_1 N_2}{N} (\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1) (\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)^T \mathbf{w} = \frac{N_1 N_2}{N} (\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1) R,$$

where R is a scalar. So we have

$$S_W \mathbf{w} = \left(-\frac{N_1 N_2}{N} R - N\right)(\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)$$

thus

$$\mathbf{w} = \left(-\frac{N_1 N_2}{N} R - N\right) S_W^{-1}(\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2) \propto S_W^{-1}(\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2),$$

resulting in the same form as that of fisher criterion.

Problem2

2.1

$$\begin{aligned} S_B + S_W &= \sum_{k=1}^K N_k (\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})^T + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})^T + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} ((\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})^T + (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)^T) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} ((\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{m}_k^T - \mathbf{m}^T) + (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n^T - \mathbf{m}_k^T)) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} ((\mathbf{m}_k \mathbf{m}_k^T - \mathbf{m} \mathbf{m}_k^T - \mathbf{m}_k \mathbf{m}^T + \mathbf{m} \mathbf{m}^T) + (\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \mathbf{m}_k \mathbf{x}_n^T - \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}^T + \mathbf{m}_k \mathbf{m}_k^T)) \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T\right) - \mathbf{m} \mathbf{m}^T \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_T &= \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m})^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m})^T \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T - \mathbf{m} \mathbf{x}_n^T + \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{m}^T + \mathbf{m} \mathbf{m}^T) \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T\right) - \mathbf{m} \mathbf{m}^T \end{aligned}$$

So $S_T = S_W + S_B$

2.2

$$\begin{aligned}
s_W &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{y}_n - \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_k)(\mathbf{y}_n - \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_k)^T \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{m}_k)(\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{m}_k)^T \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} \mathbf{W}^T (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)^T \mathbf{W} \\
&= \mathbf{W}^T S_W \mathbf{W} \\
s_B &= \sum_{k=1}^K N_k (\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_k - \tilde{\mathbf{m}})(\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_k - \tilde{\mathbf{m}})^T \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^K N_k \mathbf{W}^T (\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{m}_k - \mathbf{m})^T \mathbf{W} \\
&= \mathbf{W}^T S_B \mathbf{W}
\end{aligned}$$

2.3

$$\begin{aligned}
(s_W)_{11} &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{W}^T (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k))_1 ((\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)^T \mathbf{W})_1 \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{w}_1^T (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)) ((\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)^T \mathbf{w}_1) \\
&= \mathbf{w}_1^T \left(\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{n \in C_k} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)(\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_k)^T \right) \mathbf{w}_1 \\
J(\mathbf{W}) &= \frac{\prod_i^{D'} \mathbf{w}_i^T S_B \mathbf{w}_i}{\prod_i^{D'} \mathbf{w}_i^T S_W \mathbf{w}_i}
\end{aligned}$$

where \mathbf{w}_i is the i -th column of \mathbf{W}

2.4

By Rayleigh quotient, we maximize:

$$\max_{\mathbf{W}} \prod_i^{D'} \mathbf{w}_i^T S_B \mathbf{w}_i - \lambda \left(\prod_i^{D'} \mathbf{w}_i^T S_W \mathbf{w}_i - C \right)$$

By solving this problem, each \mathbf{w}_i^* satisfies:

$$S_W^{-1} S_B \mathbf{w}_i^* = \lambda_i \mathbf{w}_i^*$$

which means D' eigenvectors of $S_W^{-1} S_B$ sorted by descend order of D' eigenvalue.

2.5

By definition, S_B is $rank(K - 1)$, so $S_W^{-1} S_B$ has at most $K - 1$ non-zero eigenvalues. So we have the opportunity to find at most $K - 1$ features.

Programming

3.1

Consider the least-square part of $J(\mathbf{w}; \lambda)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(\mathbf{w}) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} (y_i - \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}_i))^2 \\
 \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{w}} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n -y_i \phi(x_i) + \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{w}^T \phi(x_i) \right) \phi(x_i) \\
 \frac{\partial f}{\partial w_k} &= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \right)_k \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n -y_i \phi_k(x_i) + \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{w}^T \phi(x_i) \right) \phi_k(x_i) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n w_k \phi_k(x_i) \phi_k(x_i) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{w}_{-k}^T \phi_{-k}(x_i) - y_i) \phi_k(x_i) \\
 &= a_k w_k - c_k
 \end{aligned}$$

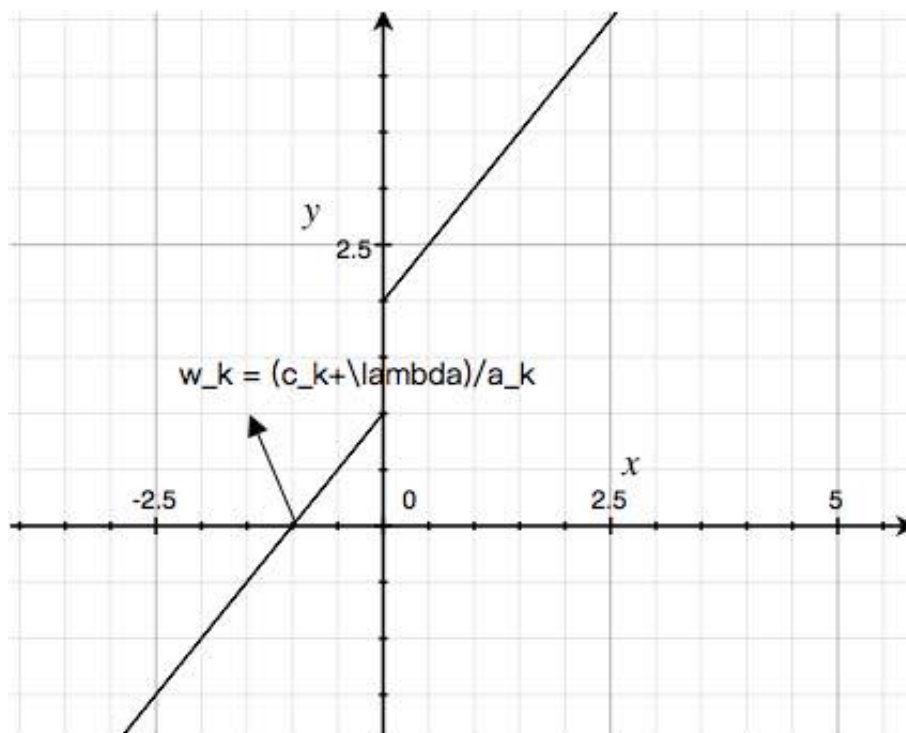
As a result of above deduction:

$$\partial_{w_k} J(\mathbf{w}; \lambda) = a_k w_k - c_k + \lambda \partial_{w_k} |w_k|$$

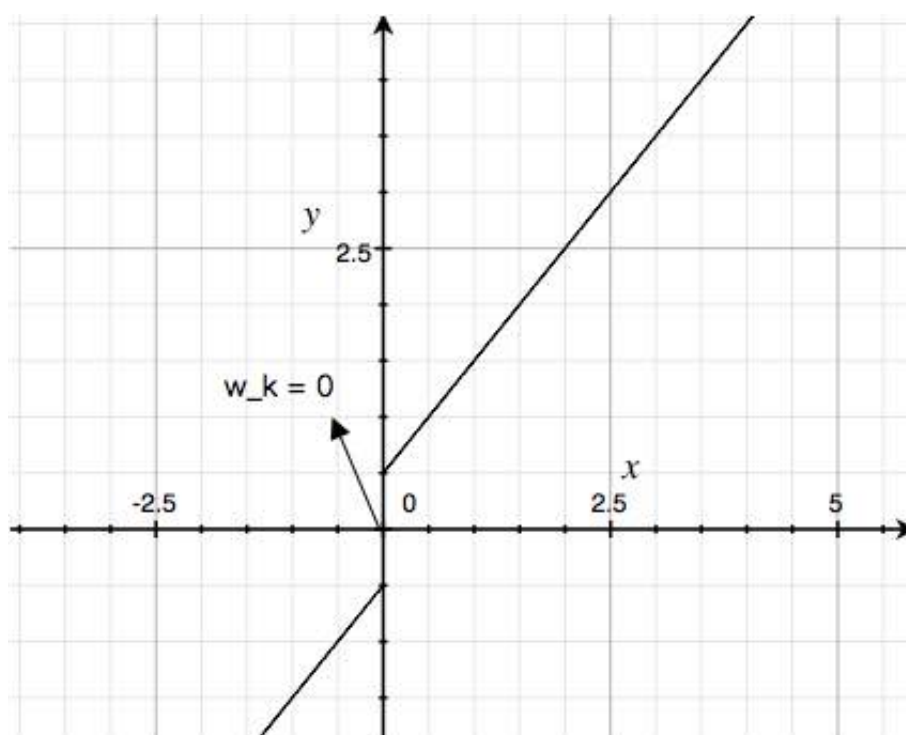
And c_k indicates the classification error when abandoning k -th feature.

3.2

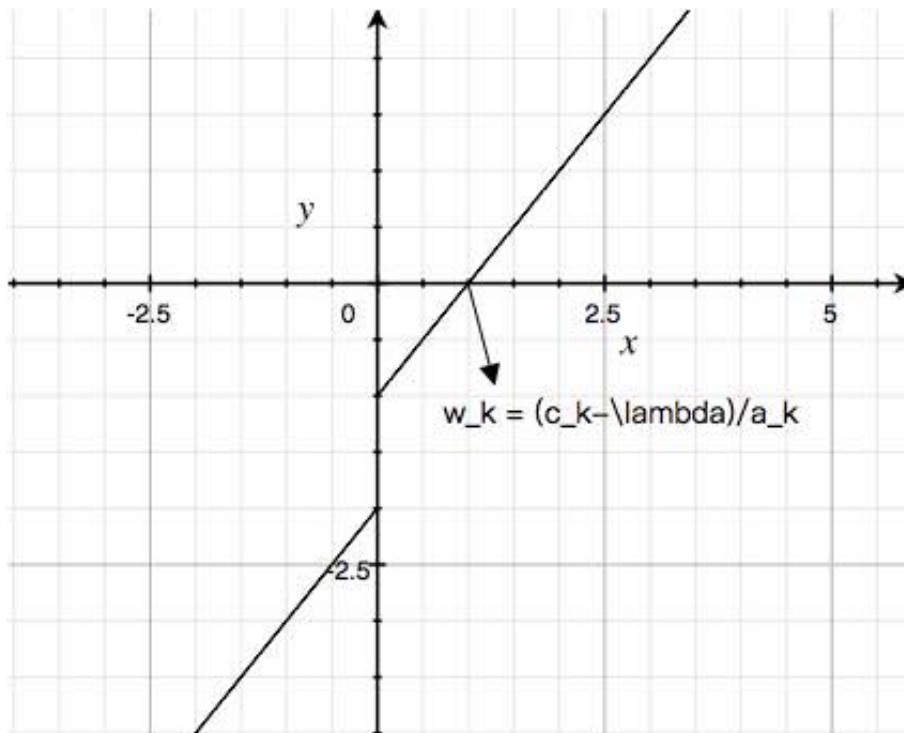
$$\text{a) } c_k < -\lambda \Rightarrow \hat{w}_k = \frac{c_k + \lambda}{a_k}$$



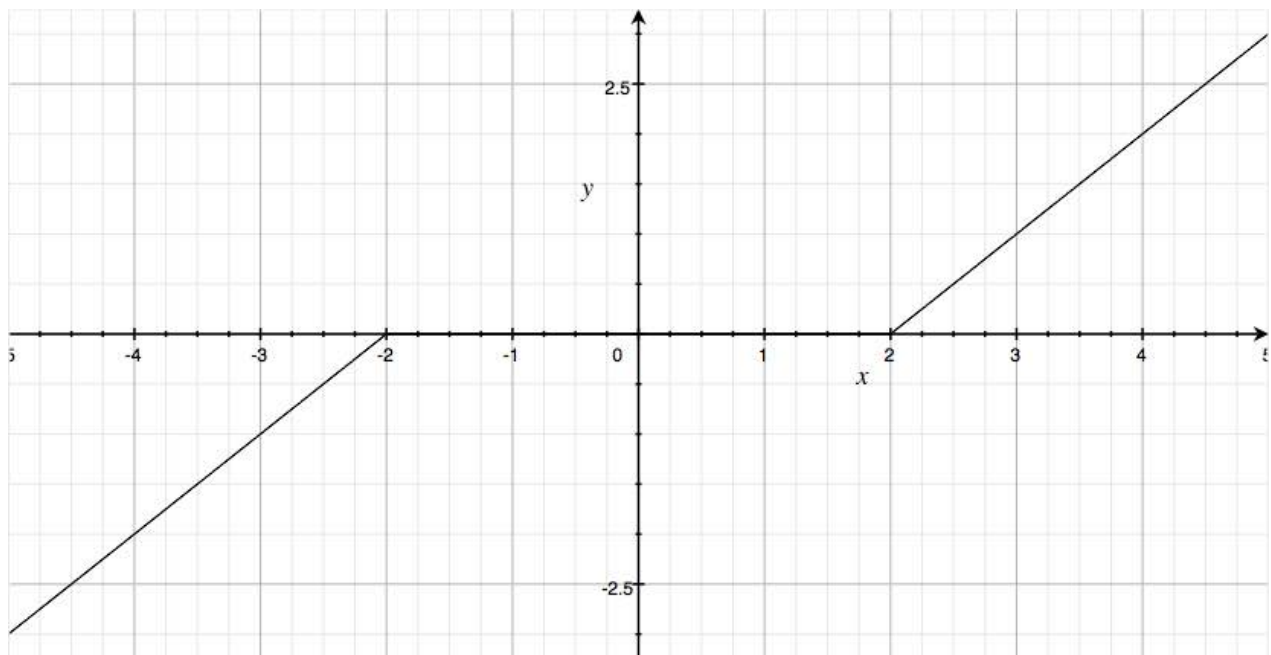
b) $-\lambda < c_k < \lambda \Rightarrow \hat{w}_k = 0$



c) $c_k > \lambda \Rightarrow \hat{w}_k = \frac{c_k - \lambda}{a_k}$



plot of \hat{w} versus c_k :



λ decide the boundary for this piecewise function. The greater the λ , the larger the range where \hat{w}_k is reduced to 0.

3.3

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def least_sq_L1(X, y, _lambda, w_0):
    X = X.astype(float)
    n, M = X.shape
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a = np.sum(X**2, axis=0)/n

w = w_0
err_tol = 1e-8;
while True:
    max_err = 0
    w_old = w.copy()
    for k in xrange(M):
        w_minus_k = np.delete(w, k, axis=1)
        phi_minus_k = np.delete(X, k, axis=1)
        c_k = np.sum((y-phi_minus_k.dot(w_minus_k.T))*X[:, k][:,
np.newaxis], axis=0)/float(n)
        if c_k < -_lambda:
            w[0][k] = (c_k + _lambda)/a[k]
        elif -_lambda <= c_k < _lambda:
            w[0][k] = 0
        elif c_k >= _lambda:
            w[0][k] = (c_k - _lambda)/a[k]
    max_err = np.max(np.abs(w - w_old))
    # print(max_err)
    if max_err < err_tol:
        break
return w

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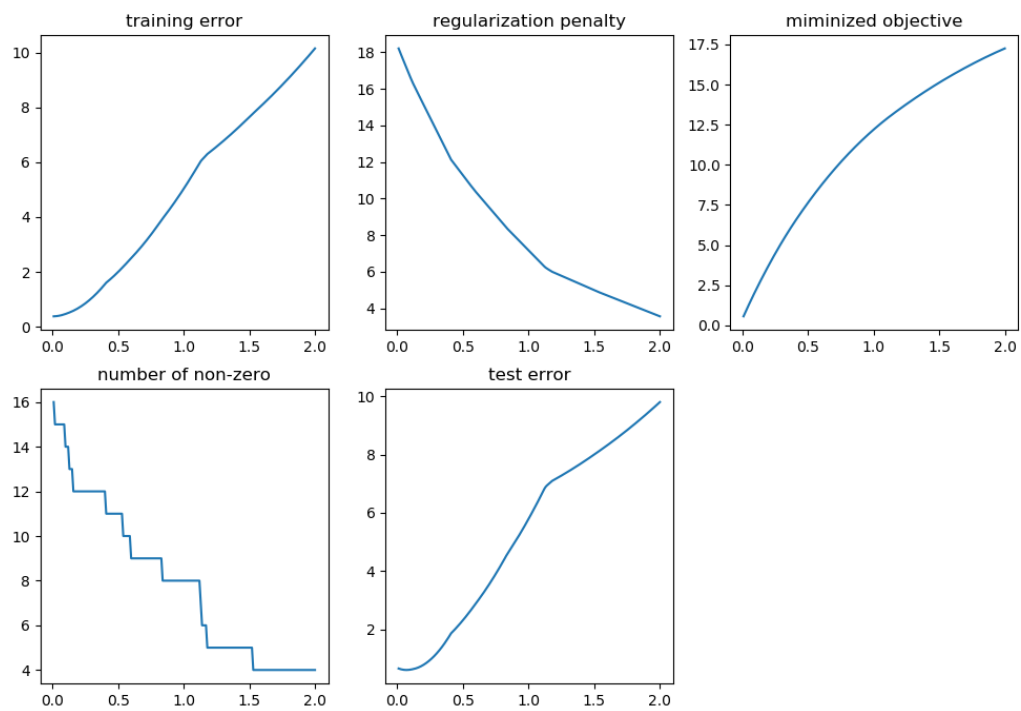
3.4

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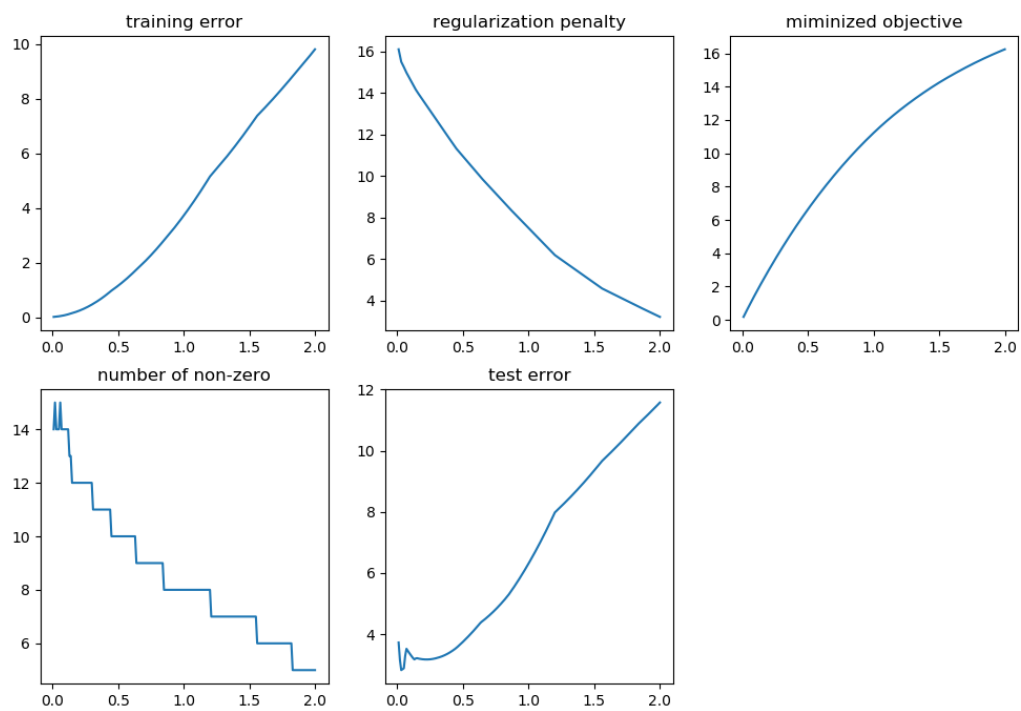
for l in xrange(_lambda.shape[0]):
    w = W[l, :][np.newaxis, :]
    trainError[l] = np.sum(0.5*(y-X.dot(w.T))**2, axis=0)/n #-----
----(a)
    regPenalty[l] = np.sum(np.abs(w)) #-----
----(b)
    objective[l] = trainError[l]+_lambda[l]*regPenalty[l] #-----
----(c)
    num_non_zero[l] = np.sum(w!=0) #-----
----(d)
    test_error[l] = np.sum(0.5*(y_test-X_test.dot(w.T))**2, axis=0)/n_test
#--(e)

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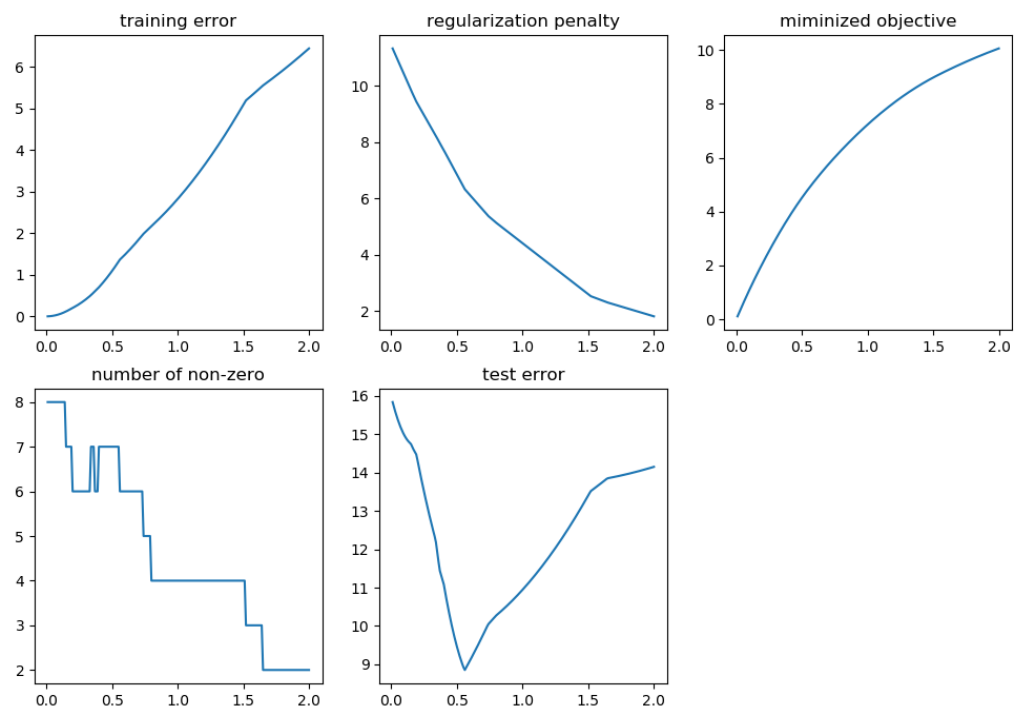
train_large



train_mid



train_small



the smaller the training set, the larger the λ is required to minimize the test error.