

### Exercise sheet 3

Due May 6, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. local time in electronic form via the ISIS website. See the corresponding submission page for formatting details (.zip archives, source code without fancy non-ASCII symbols etc.)

#### 3. The SSA Cost Function (30 + 30 P)

(a) Let  $X_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \Sigma_1)$  and  $X_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \Sigma_2)$  be Gaussian random variables with values in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , with mean  $\mu_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and covariance matrix  $\Sigma_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , i.e., the probability density function of  $X_i$  is

$$p_i(x) = (2\pi \det \Sigma)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_i)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu_i) \right).$$

Derive the following explicit formula for the KL-divergence between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ :

$$D_{\text{KL}}(X_2 \parallel X_1) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \log \left( \frac{\det \Sigma_1}{\det \Sigma_2} \right) + \text{tr}(\Sigma_1^{-1} \Sigma_2) + (\mu_1 - \mu_2)^\top \Sigma_1^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_2) - n \right). \quad (1)$$

(b) Derive the cost function for gradient based SSA. That is, consider the following scenario:

Let  $D$  be the dimension of the input data,  $d < D$  the number of stationary sources and  $N$  the number of epochs. Denote the estimates of the means and covariances in each of the  $N$  epochs by  $\hat{\mu}_1, \dots, \hat{\mu}_N \in \mathbb{R}^D$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}_1, \dots, \hat{\Sigma}_N \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$ . In SSA, a centering and whitening is performed on the data; that is, you may assume that

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\mu}_i = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\Sigma}_i = I, \quad (2)$$

where  $I$  is the  $(D \times D)$  identity matrix. Given the rotational component  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$  (with  $R^\top R = I$ ) of the estimated demixing matrix, the mean and covariance matrix of the estimated stationary sources of epoch  $i$  can be formulated as

$$\hat{\mu}_i^s = I^d R \hat{\mu}_i \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\Sigma}_i^s = I^d R \hat{\Sigma}_i (I^d R)^\top, \quad (3)$$

where  $I^d \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times D}$  is the identity matrix, truncated to the first  $d$  rows.

Show the following explicit formula for the SSA cost function:

$$\begin{aligned} L(R) &= \sum_{i=1}^N D_{\text{KL}} \left[ \mathcal{N}(\hat{\mu}_i^s, \hat{\Sigma}_i^s) \parallel \mathcal{N}(0, I) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( -\log \det \hat{\Sigma}_i^s + \hat{\mu}_i^{s\top} \hat{\mu}_i^s \right) - \frac{N-1}{2} d. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

This means: *show* that the first line, written out, equates to the second.

Hint: Use the explicit formula for the Kullback-Leibler divergence derived in (a).

#### 4. Finding the stationary subspace (40 P)

On ISIS, you can find a data set and a MATLAB implementation of SSA. *Determine* the number of and the projection onto the stationary sources using the SSA algorithm. *Write* a brief report on what you have done. That is, *describe* which experiments you have done, *make* suitable plots, and *discuss* your findings.

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