

Manifold Learning and Sparse Representation:

Assignment 2

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Exercise 24.

1. $\|\cdot\|_p^* = \|\cdot\|_q$, where $p^{-1} + q^{-1} = 1$.

Proof. By definition, $\|\mathbf{x}\|_p^* = \sup\{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle \mid \|\mathbf{y}\|_p \leq 1\}$ for any vector \mathbf{x} . Thanks to Holder's inequality,

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_p \|\mathbf{y}\|_q \leq \|\mathbf{x}\|_p,$$

where $p^{-1} + q^{-1} = 1$ and it becomes an equality if and only if $\forall i : (\sum_j x_j^q) y_i^p = x_i^q$ such that the vector \mathbf{y} always exists for any given vector \mathbf{x} . Thus, $\|\mathbf{x}\|_p^* = \sup\{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle \mid \|\mathbf{y}\|_p \leq 1\} = \|\mathbf{x}\|_q$. \square

2. $\|\cdot\|_2^* = \|\cdot\|_*$.

Proof. When $\|\mathbf{Y}\|_2 \leq 1$ which implies $\max_i \sigma_i(\mathbf{Y}) \leq 1$, we use the von Neumann theorem

$$\langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} \rangle \leq \sum_i^{\min(m,n)} \sigma_i(\mathbf{X}) \sigma_i(\mathbf{Y}) \leq \sum_i^{\min(m,n)} \sigma_i(\mathbf{X}) = \|\mathbf{X}\|_*.$$

On the other hand, when $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{I}$,

$$\langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} \rangle = \text{tr}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_i^{\min(m,n)} \sigma_i(\mathbf{X}) = \|\mathbf{X}\|_*.$$

Thus, by definition, $\|\mathbf{X}\|_2^* = \sup\{\langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} \rangle \mid \|\mathbf{Y}\|_2 \leq 1\} = \|\mathbf{X}\|_*$. \square

3. $\|\cdot\|_F^* = \|\cdot\|_F$.

Proof. When $\|\mathbf{Y}\|_F \leq 1$, we have the following thanks to the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality,

$$\langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} \rangle = \sum_{i,j} x_{ij} y_{ij} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} x_{ij}^2 \sum_{i,j} y_{ij}^2} = \|\mathbf{X}\|_F \|\mathbf{Y}\|_F = \|\mathbf{X}\|_F$$

where the equality holds when $\forall i, j : y_{ij} = x_{ij} / \sum_j x_{ij}$, (we define $y_{ij} = 0$ when $\sum_j x_{ij} = 0$). Therefore, $\|\mathbf{X}\|_F^* = \sup\{\langle \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} \rangle \mid \|\mathbf{Y}\|_F \leq 1\} = \|\mathbf{X}\|_F$. \square

Exercise 28

1. $\frac{\partial \mathbf{XY}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t} \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{X} \frac{\partial \mathbf{Y}}{\partial t}$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{XY}}{\partial t}\right)_{ij} &= \frac{\partial (\mathbf{XY})_{ij}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \sum_k x_{ik} y_{kj}}{\partial t} = \sum_k \frac{\partial x_{ik} y_{kj}}{\partial t} \\
 &= \sum_k \frac{\partial x_{ik}}{\partial t} y_{kj} + \frac{\partial x_{ik} y_{kj}}{\partial t} x_{ik} \\
 &= \sum_k \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t}\right)_{ik} \cdot y_{kj} + \sum_k x_{ik} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{Y}}{\partial t}\right)_{kj} \\
 &= \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t} \mathbf{Y}\right)_{ij} + \left(\mathbf{X} \frac{\partial \mathbf{Y}}{\partial t}\right)_{ij} \\
 &= \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial t} \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{X} \frac{\partial \mathbf{Y}}{\partial t}\right)_{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

□

2. $\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{a}$.

Proof.

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right)_i = \frac{\partial \sum_j a_j x_j}{\partial x_i} = a_i$$

□

3. $\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T) \mathbf{x}$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right)_i &= \frac{\partial \sum_j (a_{ij} x_i x_j + a_{ji} x_j x_i)}{\partial x_i} = \sum_j a_{ij} x_j + \sum_j a_{ji} x_j \\
 &= (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x})_i + (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x})_i = ((\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T) \mathbf{x})_i
 \end{aligned}$$

□

4. calculate $\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial \mathbf{X}}$, assuming $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial \mathbf{X}} &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial x_{11}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial x_{1n}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial x_{m1}} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial x_{mn}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_1'^T & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_n'^T \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{e}_m \mathbf{e}_1'^T & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_m \mathbf{e}_n'^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 (\mathbf{e}_1'^T, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n'^T) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{e}_m (\mathbf{e}_1'^T, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n'^T) \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{e}_m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1'^T & \cdots & \mathbf{e}_n'^T \end{pmatrix} = \text{vec}(\mathbf{I}_{m \times m}) \cdot \text{vec}(\mathbf{I}_{n \times n})^T
 \end{aligned}$$

where indicator vectors $\mathbf{e}_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{e}_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Exercise 29.

By definition, for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{A}^*(x), \mathbf{Y} \rangle &= \langle x, \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{Y}) \rangle = \langle x, Y_{11} + Y_{12} - Y_{3,1} + 2Y_{33} \rangle \\ &= x \cdot (Y_{11} + Y_{12} - Y_{3,1} + 2Y_{33}) \\ &= \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} x & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -x & 0 & 2x \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{Y} \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\mathcal{A}^*(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -x & 0 & 2x \end{pmatrix}$.

Exercise 33.

Proof. Suppose $\mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$. We denote $t = -\min_i(\lambda_i(\mathbf{K}))$ and then $\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I}$ is positive semi-definite with equivalent eigenvalues and singular values, i.e., $\lambda_i = \sigma_i$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{Y}^T) &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I} - t\mathbf{I})\mathbf{Y}^T) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I})\mathbf{Y}^T) - \text{tr}(t\mathbf{I}) \\ &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I})) - rt, \end{aligned}$$

According to the von Neumann trace inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y})\sigma_{n-i+1}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I}) &\leq \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I})) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y})\sigma_i(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I}) \\ \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^T)\sigma_{n-i+1}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I}) &\leq \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I})) \leq \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^T)\sigma_i(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I}) \\ \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i(\mathbf{I})\lambda_{n-i+1}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I}) &\leq \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I})) \leq \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i(\mathbf{I})\lambda_i(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I}) \\ \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_{n-i+1}(\mathbf{K}) + rt &\leq \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I})) \leq \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i(\mathbf{K}) + rt \\ \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_{n-i+1}(\mathbf{K}) &\leq \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}^T\mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{K} + t\mathbf{I})) - rt \leq \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i(\mathbf{K}) \\ \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_{n-i+1}(\mathbf{K}) &\leq \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{Y}^T) \leq \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i(\mathbf{K}) \end{aligned}$$

We note that the first and second equalities hold iff. \mathbf{Y} are the trailing and leading eigenvectors of \mathbf{K} associated with the largest and smallest r eigenvalues. Therefore, the solutions to $\min_{\mathbf{Y}} \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{Y}^T)$ and $\max_{\mathbf{Y}} \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{Y}^T)$ correspond to the trailing and leading eigenvectors of \mathbf{K} , respectively. \square