# Deep Learning Homework Assignment 1

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#### Problem 1 (10 points)

Given 3 Random Variables(RVs), and their joint probability mass P(X,Y,Z) = P(X)P(Y)P(Z|X,Y).

(a) Show that RV X and Y are marginally independent. You can either show that P(X,Y) = P(X)P(Y),

$$P(X,Y) = \sum_{Z} P(X,Y,Z) = \sum_{Z} P(X)P(Y)P(Z|X,Y)$$
$$= P(X)P(Y)\sum_{Z} P(Z|X,Y) = P(X)P(Y)$$
(1)

as desired. Or, you can also show that P(X|Y) = P(X), of course P(Y|X) = P(Y) is equivalent,

$$\begin{split} P(X|Y) &= \frac{P(X,Y)}{P(Y)} = \frac{\sum_{Z} P(X,Y,Z)}{P(Y)} = \frac{\sum_{Z} P(X)P(Y)P(Z|X,Y)}{P(Y)} \\ &= \frac{P(X)P(Y)\sum_{Z} P(Z|X,Y)}{P(Y)} = P(X) \end{split} \tag{2}$$

as desired.

**Gradings** 5 points subtotal, correctly applying the sum rule (3 points), properly simplified and get the final equation another (2 points).

(b) Show that X and Y are conditionally dependent given Z. By definition, you can show that  $P(X,Y|Z) \neq P(X|Z)P(Y|Z)$ ,

$$P(X,Y|Z) = \frac{P(X,Y,Z)}{P(Z)} = \frac{P(Z)P(Y|Z)P(X|Y,Z)}{P(Z)}$$

$$= P(X|Y,Z)P(Y|Z)$$
(3)

thus  $P(X,Y|Z) \neq P(X|Z)P(Y|Z)$  as desired.

**Gradings** 5 points subtotal, correctly apply the chain rule (3 points), obtain the final conclusion correctly (2 points). Note that the way of applying the chain rule is not unique, you will get points for other ways of applying it.

### Problem 2 (10 points)

The given event (rolling a die) follows a multinomial distribution. Denote the RV which is the number of landing on different values  $i(i = 1, \dots, 6)$  as  $X_i$ , and  $\theta_i$  the associated probability of each value i, then the Probability Mass Function (PMF) of this multinomial distribution is given as,

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_6; n, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_6) = Pr(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_6 = x_6)$$

$$= \frac{n!}{x_1! \dots x_6!} \theta_1^{x_1} \dots \theta_6^{x_6}$$
(4)

where  $\sum_{i=1}^{6} x_i = n$ .

**Here**, we have n = 100, plug in the  $x_i's$  and  $\theta_i's$  and we will get the probability,

$$P(X_1 = 20, X_2 = 15, X_3 = 10, X_4 = 5, X_5 = 20, X_6 = 30)$$

$$= \frac{100!}{20! \times 15! \times 10! \times 5! \times 20! \times 30!} \times 0.25^{20} \times 0.3^{15} \times 0.1^{10} \times 0.1^5 \times 0.15^{20} \times 0.1^{30} = 4.53 \times 10^{-14}$$
(5)

Gradings Identifying that this is a multinomial distribution (3 points), correctly show the probability mass function you will get another (5 points), and calculate the final probability correctly (2 points).

#### Problem 3 (10 points)

Given the joint probability distribution of P(X,Y,Z), you are asked to show that any pair of RVs are marginally independent of each other. Take RV X and Y as an example, by definition, you will need to show that P(X,Y) = P(X)P(Y) for each configuration of (X,Y) (It is also correct if you can show that P(X|Y) = P(X)).

You can start from the marginal,

$$P(X=0) = \sum_{Y,Z} P(X=0,Y,Z) = 1/12 + 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/12 = 1/2$$
(6)

$$P(X = 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1/2$$

$$P(Y=0) = \sum_{X,Z} P(X,Y=0,Z) = 1/12 + 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/12 = 1/2$$

$$P(Y=1) = 1 - P(Y=0) = 1/2$$
(7)

Then, compute the joint probability for X and Y,

$$P(X = 1, Y = 1) = \sum_{Z} P(X = 1, Y = 1, Z) = 1/12 + 1/6 = 1/4$$

$$P(X = 0, Y = 0) = \sum_{Z} P(X = 0, Y = 0, Z) = 1/12 + 1/6 = 1/4$$

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(8)

We can then check that for each configuration of (X, Y), we have P(X, Y) = P(X)P(Y), thus it follows that X and Y are marginally independent of each other. You can repeat similar process for other two pair of RVs, and get the same conclusion.

**Gradings** You will get **9 points** if you correctly show one of the three pairs of RVs' independency, i.e. (**3 points**) for each of P(X), P(Y), and P(X,Y) in my sample solution. If you get all three pairs correctly, you will get the total 10 points.

#### Problem 4 (10 points)

The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  for RV X is a symmetric and positive semi-definite matrix with all its entries real values. Thus the Eigen Decomposition exists, and is given as,

$$\Sigma = \mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-1} \tag{9}$$

where  $\mathbf{Q}$  is a  $N \times N$  orthonormal matrix, with its columns the eigenvectors of  $\Sigma$ , and  $\Lambda$  a diagonal matrix with eigenvalues of  $\Sigma$  on its main diagonal.

The Singular Value Decomposition is given as,

$$\Sigma = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^{\mathbf{T}} \tag{10}$$

and for symmetric matrix, it is reduced to

$$\Sigma = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{U}^{\mathbf{T}} \tag{11}$$

where **U** is also a orthonormal matrix containing singular vectors in its columns, and **D** a diagonal matrix with the singular value of  $\Sigma$  along it main diagonal.

From Eigen Decomposition we have,

$$\Sigma^{T}\Sigma = (\mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-1})^{T}\mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-1}$$

$$= \mathbf{Q}^{-T}\Lambda^{T}\mathbf{Q}^{T}\mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^{-1}$$

$$= \mathbf{Q}\Lambda^{T}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}^{T}$$
(12)

Note that,  $\mathbf{Q}$  is orthonormal, so we have  $\mathbf{Q^T} = \mathbf{Q^{-1}}$ . From Singular Value Decomposition we have,

$$\Sigma^{T}\Sigma = (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^{T})^{T}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^{T}$$

$$= \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}^{T}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{U}^{T}$$
(13)

It is obvious that both  $\Lambda$ , and  $\mathbf{D}$  contain the square root of the eigenvalues of matrix  $\Sigma^{\mathbf{T}}\Sigma$ , thus  $\Lambda = \mathbf{D}$ , and it follows that  $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{Q}$ , namely, the Eigen Decomposition is equivalent to SVD.

**Gradings** Correctly give the formula of both Eigen Decomposition and SVD worth (4 points), compare the resulting matrices and give proper analysis (6 points), specifically, claim that in  $UDV^T$ , U = V,  $\Lambda$  and D are diagonal matrices containing eigenvalues, and that Q = U, each (2 points).

## Problem 5 (10 points)

Given a scalar functional  $f(\mathbf{X})$ , with the coefficient matrices A, b, C, d not a function of  $\mathbf{X}$ , let

$$g(\mathbf{X}) = (A\mathbf{X} + b)^{T}(C\mathbf{X} + d) + \lambda \mathbf{X}^{T}\mathbf{X}$$
(14)

Thus we shall calculate the partial derivative w.r.t.  $\mathbf{X}$ , i.e.

$$\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{X})}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = \frac{\partial \log(g(\mathbf{X}))}{\partial g(\mathbf{X})} \times \frac{\partial g(\mathbf{X})}{\partial \mathbf{X}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{g(\mathbf{X})} \times \frac{\partial g(\mathbf{X})}{\partial \mathbf{X}} \tag{15}$$

where

$$\frac{\partial g(\mathbf{X})}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = \frac{\partial [(A\mathbf{X} + b)^T (C\mathbf{X} + d)]}{\partial \mathbf{X}} + \lambda \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}}{\partial \mathbf{X}}$$

$$= \frac{\partial (A\mathbf{X} + b)}{\partial \mathbf{X}} (C\mathbf{X} + d) + \frac{\partial (C\mathbf{X} + d)}{\partial \mathbf{X}} (A\mathbf{X} + b) + 2\lambda \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial \mathbf{X}} \mathbf{X}$$

$$= A^T (C\mathbf{X} + d) + C^T (A\mathbf{X} + b) + 2\lambda \mathbf{X}$$
(16)

Thus combine Equation (14), (15), and (16), we have,

$$\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{X})}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = \frac{A^T(C\mathbf{X} + d) + C^T(A\mathbf{X} + b) + 2\lambda \mathbf{X}}{(A\mathbf{X} + b)^T(C\mathbf{X} + d) + \lambda \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}}$$
(17)

Note that, the dimension of the result is the same as  $\mathbf{X}^{N\times 1}$ .

The rules that are used here,

(1) 
$$\frac{\partial U\mathbf{X}}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = U^T$$

(2) 
$$\frac{\partial U^T V}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \mathbf{X}} V + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \mathbf{X}} U$$

**Gradings** Correctly applying the chain rule and get the correct derivative for  $\log(\cdot)$  (5 points), correctly applying the above rules and calculate the remaining parts of the derivatives (5 points).