

HOMEWORK PROBLEMS 09, ANLY 561, FALL 2018

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Readings: §5.9, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 of **Goodfellow, Bengio, and Courville**

Exercises:

1. For any fixed nonzero $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and any fixed $b \in \mathbb{R}$, the set of points $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x} - b = 0$$

is called an **affine hyperplane** of dimension $n - 1$ in \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and find the solution \mathbf{x}^* (in terms of \mathbf{v} , b , and \mathbf{y}) to the program

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \text{ subject to } \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x} - b = 0.$$

This \mathbf{x}^* is called the **projection** of \mathbf{y} onto the affine hyperplane determined by \mathbf{v} and b .

2. Suppose $X \in M_{n,d}$ is a data matrix with rows from a dataset $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^d$. This problem illustrates the role of optimization in Principal Component Analysis.

- (a) Show that $\sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{x}_i - c_i \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = \|X - \mathbf{c} \mathbf{u}^T\|_{\text{Fro}}^2$, where $\|A\|_{\text{Fro}}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j}^2$ is the Frobenius norm of A for any $A = [A_{i,j}] \in M_{m,n}$, and $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- (b) Show that, for any $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ with $\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = 1$, $c_i^* = \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{u}$ is the unique solution to $\min_{c_i \in \mathbb{R}} \|\mathbf{x}_i - c_i \mathbf{u}\|_2^2$.
- (c) Using part (a) and (b), explain why the optimization program

$$\min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{x}_i - c_i \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = 1$$

can be solved if we solve the problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \|X - X \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T\|_{\text{Fro}}^2 \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = 1$$

- (d) Show that $\|A\|_{\text{Fro}}^2 = \text{trace}(A^T A)$, where $\text{trace}(Q) = \sum_{i=1}^k Q_{i,i}$ is the sum of diagonal entries of any square matrix $Q = [Q_{i,j}] \in M_{k,k}$. Also, show that if $A, B \in M_{m,n}$, then $\text{trace}(A^T B) = \text{trace}(B A^T)$.
- (e) Use part (d) to show that the minimization program

$$\min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \|X - X \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T\|_{\text{Fro}}^2 \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = 1$$

and the maximization program

$$\max_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \mathbf{u}^T X^T X \mathbf{u} \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = 1$$

are equivalent.

- (f) Suppose \mathbf{u}^* is a normalized eigenvector of $X^T X$ corresponding to the largest eigenvalue of $X^T X$. Use part (e) and explain why \mathbf{u}^* and $\mathbf{c}^* = X \mathbf{u}^*$ together solve the program

$$\min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{x}_i - c_i \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = 1$$