

Sparse factorizations of real polynomials & linear convolutional neural networks

Kathlén Kohn



WASP | WALLENBERG AI
AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS
AND SOFTWARE PROGRAM

joint work with

Guido Montúfar

MPI MiS Leipzig & UCLA



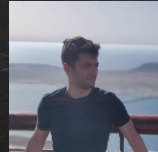
Vahid Shahverdi

KTH

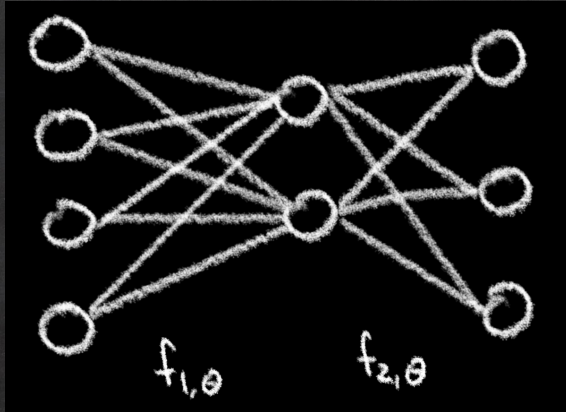


Matthew Trager

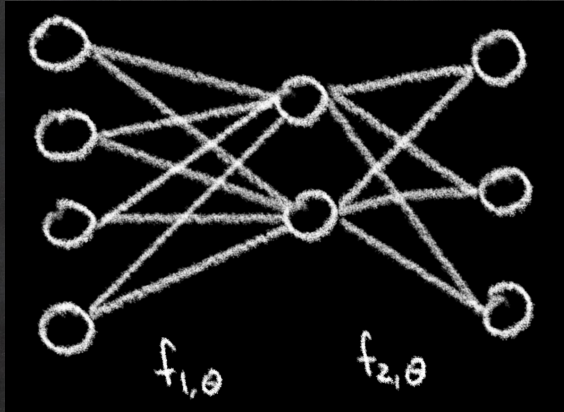
Amazon Alexa AI, NYC



Neural networks



Neural networks

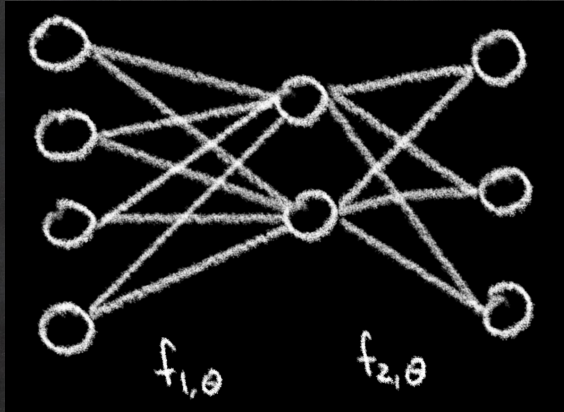


are parametrized families of functions

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^N \longrightarrow \mathcal{M},$$

$$\theta \longmapsto f_{L,\theta} \circ \dots \circ f_{1,\theta}$$

Neural networks



are parametrized families of functions

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^N \longrightarrow \mathcal{M},$$

$$\theta \longmapsto f_{L,\theta} \circ \dots \circ f_{1,\theta}$$

$\mathcal{M} =$ function space / neuromanifold, $L = \#$ layers

Training a network

Given training data \mathcal{D} , the goal is to minimize the **loss**

$$\mathbb{R}^N \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}.$$

Training a network

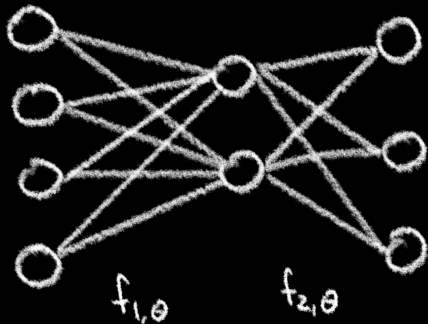
Given training data \mathcal{D} , the goal is to minimize the **loss**

$$\mathbb{R}^N \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}.$$

Geometric questions:

- ◆ How does the network architecture affect the geometry of the function space?
- ◆ How does the geometry of the function space impact the training of the network?

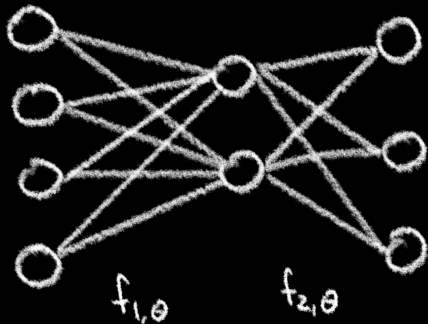
Linear fully-connected networks



In this example:

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 4} \times \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4},$$
$$(W_1, W_2) \longmapsto W_2 W_1.$$

Linear fully-connected networks

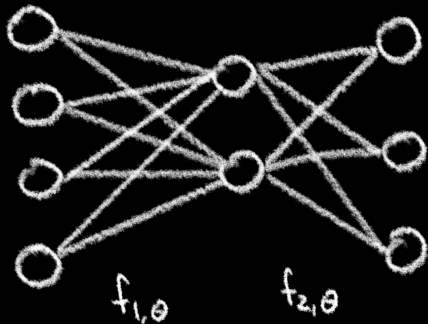


In this example:

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 4} \times \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4},$$
$$(W_1, W_2) \longmapsto W_2 W_1.$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \{W \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4} \mid \text{rank}(W) \leq 2\}$$

Linear fully-connected networks



In this example:

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 4} \times \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4},$$
$$(W_1, W_2) \longmapsto W_2 W_1.$$

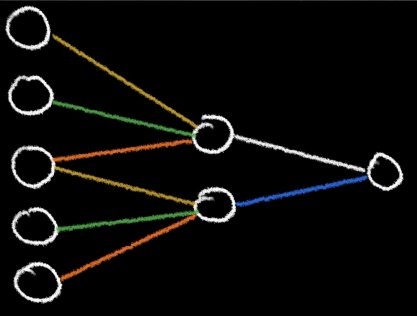
$$\mathcal{M} = \{W \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 4} \mid \text{rank}(W) \leq 2\}$$

In general:

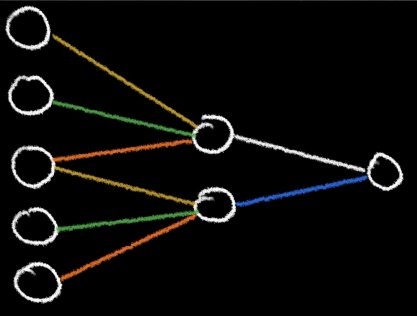
$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^{k_1 \times k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_2 \times k_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L \times k_{L-1}} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{k_L \times k_0},$$
$$(W_1, W_2, \dots, W_L) \longmapsto W_L \cdots W_2 W_1.$$

$\mathcal{M} = \{W \in \mathbb{R}^{k_L \times k_0} \mid \text{rank}(W) \leq \min(k_0, \dots, k_L)\}$ is a **determinantal variety** and we know its singularities etc.

Linear convolutional neural networks



Linear convolutional neural networks



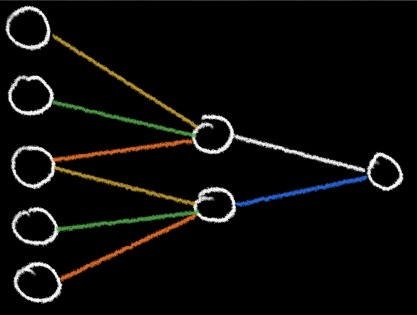
$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^5,$$

$$(u, v) \longmapsto T_{v,1} T_{u,2}, \text{ where}$$

$$T_{u,2} = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 & u_1 & u_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & u_0 & u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{v,1} = \begin{bmatrix} v_2 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear convolutional neural networks



$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^5,$$

$$(u, v) \longmapsto T_{v,1} T_{u,2}, \text{ where}$$

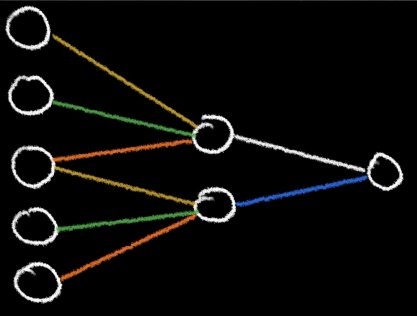
$$T_{u,2} = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 & u_1 & u_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & u_0 & u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{v,1} = \begin{bmatrix} v_2 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In general: $\mu : (w_1, \dots, w_L) \mapsto T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$, where

$$T_{w,s} = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 & \cdots & w_s & \cdots & w_{k-1} & & \\ & & w_0 & & \cdots & & w_{k-1} \\ & & & \ddots & & & \\ & & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & & w_0 & \cdots & w_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear convolutional neural networks



$$\mu : \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^5,$$

$$(u, v) \longmapsto T_{v,1} T_{u,2}, \text{ where}$$

$$T_{u,2} = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 & u_1 & u_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & u_0 & u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{v,1} = \begin{bmatrix} v_2 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

In general: $\mu : (w_1, \dots, w_L) \mapsto T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$, where

$$T_{w,s} = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 & \cdots & w_s & \cdots & w_{k-1} & & \\ & & w_0 & & \cdots & & w_{k-1} \\ & & & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ & & & & w_0 & \cdots & w_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

is a **convolutional matrix** of **stride s** with **filter w**

LCNs & sparse polynomial factorization

Observation: $\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L) = T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$ is again a convolutional matrix of stride $s_1 \cdots s_L$.

LCNs & sparse polynomial factorization

Observation: $\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L) = T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$ is again a convolutional matrix of stride $s_1 \cdots s_L$. Its filter can be computed via polynomial multiplication:

LCNs & sparse polynomial factorization

Observation: $\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L) = T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$ is again a convolutional matrix of stride $s_1 \cdots s_L$. Its filter can be computed via polynomial multiplication:

For $S \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$, let

$$\pi_S : \mathbb{R}^k \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x^S, y^S]_{k-1},$$

$$w \longmapsto w_0 x^{S(k-1)} + w_1 x^{S(k-2)} y^S + \dots + w_{k-2} x^S y^{S(k-2)} + w_{k-1} y^{S(k-1)}$$

LCNs & sparse polynomial factorization

Observation: $\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L) = T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$ is again a convolutional matrix of stride $s_1 \cdots s_L$. Its filter can be computed via polynomial multiplication:

For $S \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$, let

$$\pi_S : \mathbb{R}^k \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x^S, y^S]_{k-1},$$

$$w \longmapsto w_0 x^{S(k-1)} + w_1 x^{S(k-2)} y^S + \dots + w_{k-2} x^S y^{S(k-2)} + w_{k-1} y^{S(k-1)}$$

and $\pi_S(T_{w,s}) := \pi_S(w)$. Then:

LCNs & sparse polynomial factorization

Observation: $\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L) = T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$ is again a convolutional matrix of stride $s_1 \cdots s_L$. Its filter can be computed via polynomial multiplication:

For $S \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$, let

$$\pi_S : \mathbb{R}^k \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x^S, y^S]_{k-1},$$

$$w \longmapsto w_0 x^{S(k-1)} + w_1 x^{S(k-2)} y^S + \dots + w_{k-2} x^S y^{S(k-2)} + w_{k-1} y^{S(k-1)}$$

and $\pi_S(T_{w,s}) := \pi_S(w)$. Then:

$$\pi_1(\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L)) = \pi_{S_L}(w_L) \cdots \pi_{S_1}(w_1), \text{ where } S_i := s_1 \cdots s_{i-1}.$$

LCNs & sparse polynomial factorization

Observation: $\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L) = T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}$ is again a convolutional matrix of stride $s_1 \cdots s_L$. Its filter can be computed via polynomial multiplication:

For $S \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$, let

$$\pi_S : \mathbb{R}^k \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x^S, y^S]_{k-1},$$

$$w \longmapsto w_0 x^{S(k-1)} + w_1 x^{S(k-2)} y^S + \dots + w_{k-2} x^S y^{S(k-2)} + w_{k-1} y^{S(k-1)}$$

and $\pi_S(T_{w,s}) := \pi_S(w)$. Then:

$$\pi_1(\mu(w_1, \dots, w_L)) = \pi_{S_L}(w_L) \cdots \pi_{S_1}(w_1), \text{ where } S_i := s_1 \cdots s_{i-1}.$$

Hence, we reinterpret μ as

$$\begin{aligned} \mu : \mathbb{R}[x^{S_1}, y^{S_1}]_{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}[x^{S_L}, y^{S_L}]_{d_L} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_{d_1 S_1 + \dots + d_L S_L}, \\ (P_1, \dots, P_L) &\longmapsto P_L \cdots P_1 \end{aligned}$$

LCN function spaces

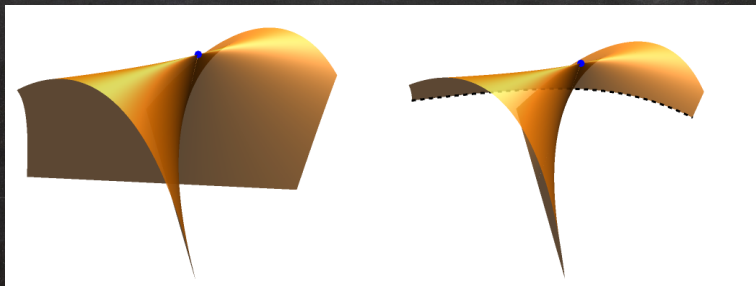
$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x^{S_1}, y^{S_1}]_{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}[x^{S_L}, y^{S_L}]_{d_L} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_d, \text{ where } d := \sum_i d_i S_i$$
$$(P_1, \dots, P_L) \longmapsto P_L \cdots P_1,$$

LCN function spaces

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x^{S_1}, y^{S_1}]_{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}[x^{S_L}, y^{S_L}]_{d_L} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_d, \text{ where } d := \sum_i d_i S_i$$

$$(P_1, \dots, P_L) \longmapsto P_L \cdots P_1,$$

Theorem: The function space $\mathcal{M}_{d, \mathcal{S}} = \text{im}(\mu)$ is a **semi-algebraic**, **Euclidean-closed** subset of $\mathbb{R}[x, y]_d$ of dimension $d_1 + \dots + d_L + 1$.



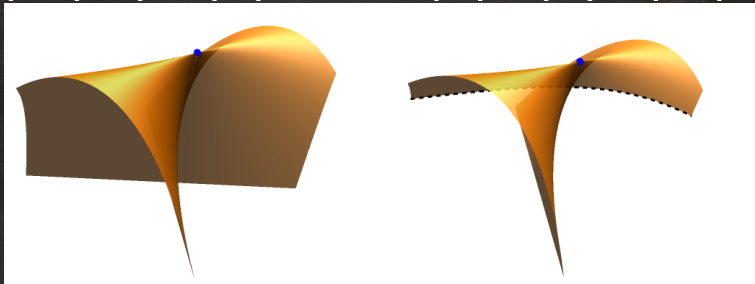
$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_2 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$

Reducing an LCN architecture

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_2 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$



$$\mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1$$

 \times

$$\mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{(1,1,1),(1,1,2)}$$



$$\mathbb{R}[x, y]_2$$

 \times

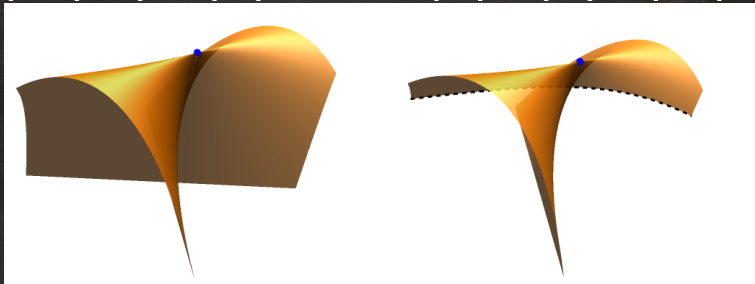

$$\mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{(2,1),(1,2)}$$



Reducing an LCN architecture

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_2 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$



$$\mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1$$

 \times

$$\mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{(1,1,1),(1,1,2)}$$



$$\mathbb{R}[x, y]_2$$

 \times


$$\mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_{(2,1),(1,2)}$$



Given an LCN architecture (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) , merging neighboring layers with the same S_i yields an LCN architecture $(\tilde{\mathbf{d}}, \tilde{\mathbf{S}})$ with $1 = \tilde{S}_1 < \tilde{S}_2 < \tilde{S}_3 < \dots$, called the **reduced LCN architecture**.

Singularities

Lemma: $\mathcal{M}_{d,S} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$ and $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$,
where $\bar{\cdot}$ denotes the Zariski closure inside $\mathbb{R}[x,y]_d$.

Singularities

Lemma: $\mathcal{M}_{d,S} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$ and $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$,
where $\bar{\cdot}$ denotes the Zariski closure inside $\mathbb{R}[x,y]_d$.

Theorem Let (d, S) be a reduced LCN architecture with L layers.

- ♦ If $L = 1$ (i.e., any associated non-reduced architecture has all strides equal 1), then $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} = \mathbb{R}[x,y]_d$.

Singularities

Lemma: $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{\mathbf{d}}, \tilde{\mathbf{S}}}$ and $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{d}}, \tilde{\mathbf{S}}}$,
where $\bar{\cdot}$ denotes the Zariski closure inside $\mathbb{R}[x, y]_d$.

Theorem Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture with L layers.

- ◆ If $L = 1$ (i.e., any associated non-reduced architecture has all strides equal 1), then $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} = \mathbb{R}[x, y]_d$.
- ◆ If $L > 1$, $\deg \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} > 1$ and

$$\text{Sing}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}) = \{0\} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbf{d}' \in D} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}', \mathbf{S}} = \{0\} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbf{d}' \in D} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}', \mathbf{S}},$$

where $D := \{\mathbf{d}' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^L \mid \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}', \mathbf{S}} \subsetneq \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}\}$

Singularities

Lemma: $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{\mathbf{d}}, \tilde{\mathbf{S}}}$ and $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{d}}, \tilde{\mathbf{S}}}$,
where $\bar{\cdot}$ denotes the Zariski closure inside $\mathbb{R}[x, y]_{\mathbf{d}}$.

Theorem Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture with L layers.

- ◆ If $L = 1$ (i.e., any associated non-reduced architecture has all strides equal 1), then $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} = \mathbb{R}[x, y]_{\mathbf{d}}$.
- ◆ If $L > 1$, $\deg \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} > 1$ and

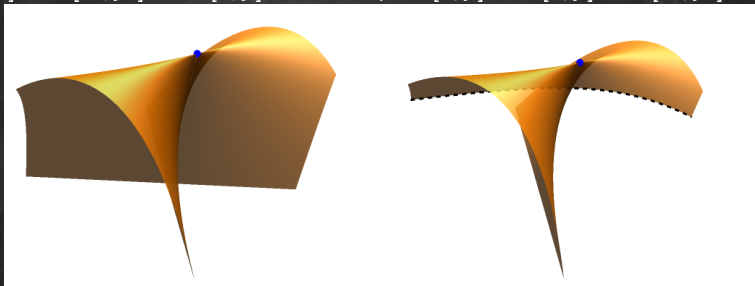
$$\text{Sing}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}) = \{0\} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbf{d}' \in D} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}', \mathbf{S}} = \{0\} \cup \bigcup_{\mathbf{d}' \in D} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}', \mathbf{S}},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } D &:= \{\mathbf{d}' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^L \mid \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}', \mathbf{S}} \subsetneq \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}\} \\ &= \{\mathbf{d}' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^L \mid \mathbf{d}' \neq \mathbf{d}, \sum_{i=1}^L d'_i S_i = \sum_{i=1}^L d_i S_i, \forall l : \sum_{i=1}^L d'_i S_i \geq \sum_{i=1}^L d_i S_i\} \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_2 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$



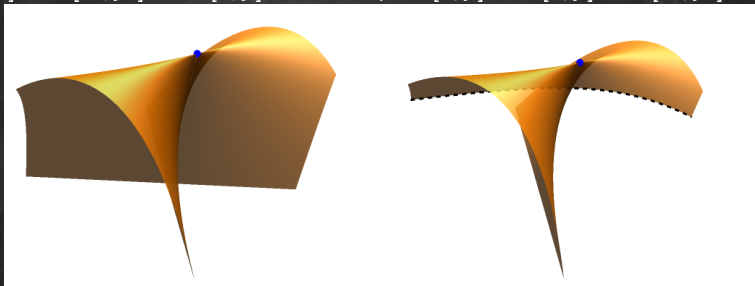
$$\mathbb{R}[x, y]_2 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{(2,1),(1,2)}$$

$$\text{Sing}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{(2,1),(1,2)}) =$$

Example

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_2 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$

$$\mu : \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x, y]_1 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}[x, y]_4$$



$$\mathbb{R}[x, y]_2 \times \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{(2,1),(1,2)}$$

$$\text{Sing}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{(2,1),(1,2)}) = \mathcal{M}_{(0,2),(1,2)} = \mathbb{R}[x^2, y^2]_2$$

Relative Boundary

$\partial\mathcal{M}_{d,s}$ = points in $\mathcal{M}_{d,s}$ that are limits of sequences in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,s} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{d,s}$.

Relative Boundary

$\partial\mathcal{M}_{d,s}$ = points in $\mathcal{M}_{d,s}$ that are limits of sequences in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,s} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{d,s}$.

Recall: $\mathcal{M}_{d,s} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{s}} \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,s} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{s}}$

Relative Boundary

$\partial\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ = points in $\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ that are limits of sequences in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{d,S}$.

Recall: $\mathcal{M}_{d,S} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}} \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$

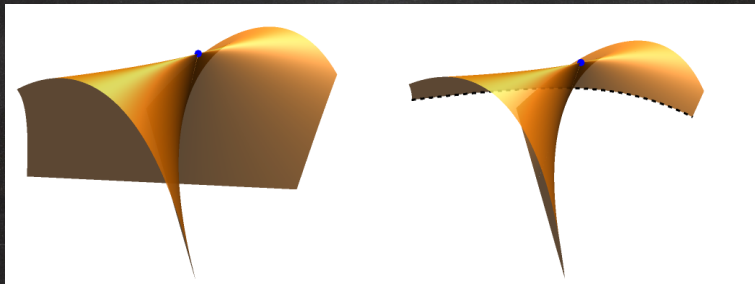
- ♦ **reduced boundary points:** limits in $\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ of sequences in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$
- ♦ **stride-1 boundary points:** limits in $\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ of sequences in $\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{d,S}$

Relative Boundary

$\partial\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ = points in $\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ that are limits of sequences in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{d,S}$.

Recall: $\mathcal{M}_{d,S} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}} \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$

- ♦ **reduced boundary points:** limits in $\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ of sequences in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{d,S} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}}$
- ♦ **stride-1 boundary points:** limits in $\mathcal{M}_{d,S}$ of sequences in $\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{d},\tilde{S}} \setminus \mathcal{M}_{d,S}$



reduced boundary points have at least codimension 2
stride-1 boundary points (if existent) have codimension 1

Training with the squared error loss

Given training data $\mathcal{D} = \{(X_i, Y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L} \mid i = 1, \dots, N\}$, the **squared error loss** on the function space is

$$\ell_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{k_L \times k_0} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$T \longmapsto \sum_{i=1}^N \|Y_i - TX_i\|^2.$$

Training with the squared error loss

Given training data $\mathcal{D} = \{(X_i, Y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L} \mid i = 1, \dots, N\}$, the **squared error loss** on the function space is

$$\ell_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{k_L \times k_0} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$T \longmapsto \sum_{i=1}^N \|Y_i - TX_i\|^2.$$

Training an LCN minimizes the squared error loss on the parameter space:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} &\xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{k_L \times k_0} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}, \\ (w_1, \dots, w_L) &\longmapsto T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1} \longmapsto \ell_{\mathcal{D}}(T_{w_L, s_L} \cdots T_{w_1, s_1}) \end{aligned}$$

Training with the squared error loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem

Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture and let $N \geq \sum_i d_i S_i + 1$. For almost all data $\mathcal{D} \in (\mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L})^N$, every critical point \mathbf{w} of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}$ satisfies one of the following:

Training with the squared error loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem

Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture and let $N \geq \sum_i d_i S_i + 1$. For almost all data $\mathcal{D} \in (\mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L})^N$, every critical point \mathbf{w} of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}$ satisfies one of the following:

- ◆ $\mu(\mathbf{w}) = 0$, or
- ◆ \mathbf{w} is a regular point of μ and $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a smooth, interior point of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}$

Training with the squared error loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem

Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture and let $N \geq \sum_i d_i S_i + 1$. For almost all data $\mathcal{D} \in (\mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L})^N$, every critical point \mathbf{w} of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}$ satisfies one of the following:

- ◆ $\mu(\mathbf{w}) = 0$, or
- ◆ \mathbf{w} is a regular point of μ and $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a smooth, interior point of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}$ (in particular, $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a critical point of $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}|_{\text{Reg}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}^{\circ})}$).

Training with the squared error loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem

Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture and let $N \geq \sum_i d_i S_i + 1$. For almost all data $\mathcal{D} \in (\mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L})^N$, every critical point \mathbf{w} of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}$ satisfies one of the following:

- ◆ $\mu(\mathbf{w}) = 0$, or
- ◆ \mathbf{w} is a regular point of μ and $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a smooth, interior point of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}$ (in particular, $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a critical point of $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}|_{\text{Reg}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}^{\circ})}$).

This is known to be **false** for

linear fully-connected networks

stride-1 LCNs

Training with the squared error loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem

Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture and let $N \geq \sum_i d_i S_i + 1$. For almost all data $\mathcal{D} \in (\mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L})^N$, every critical point \mathbf{w} of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}$ satisfies one of the following:

- ◆ $\mu(\mathbf{w}) = 0$, or
- ◆ \mathbf{w} is a regular point of μ and $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a smooth, interior point of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}$ (in particular, $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a critical point of $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}|_{\text{Reg}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}^{\circ})}$).

This is known to be **false** for

linear fully-connected networks

\mathcal{M} = determinantal variety

stride-1 LCNs

\mathcal{M} = full-dimensional semi-algebraic

Training with the squared error loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem

Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture and let $N \geq \sum_i d_i S_i + 1$. For almost all data $\mathcal{D} \in (\mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L})^N$, every critical point \mathbf{w} of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}$ satisfies one of the following:

- ◆ $\mu(\mathbf{w}) = 0$, or
- ◆ \mathbf{w} is a regular point of μ and $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a smooth, interior point of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}$ (in particular, $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a critical point of $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}|_{\text{Reg}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}^{\circ})}$).

This is known to be **false** for

linear fully-connected networks

\mathcal{M} = determinantal variety
critical points are often on $\text{Sing}(\mathcal{M})$

stride-1 LCNs

\mathcal{M} = full-dimensional semi-algebraic
critical points are often on $\partial\mathcal{M}$

Training with the squared error loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}} : \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^{d_L} \xrightarrow{\mu} \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}} \xrightarrow{\ell_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbb{R}$$

Theorem

Let (\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}) be a reduced LCN architecture and let $N \geq \sum_i d_i S_i + 1$. For almost all data $\mathcal{D} \in (\mathbb{R}^{k_0} \times \mathbb{R}^{k_L})^N$, every critical point \mathbf{w} of $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}}$ satisfies one of the following:

- ◆ $\mu(\mathbf{w}) = 0$, or
- ◆ \mathbf{w} is a regular point of μ and $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a smooth, interior point of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}$ (in particular, $\mu(\mathbf{w})$ is a critical point of $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}|_{\text{Reg}(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{d}, \mathbf{S}}^{\circ})}$).

This is known to be **false** for

linear fully-connected networks

\mathcal{M} = determinantal variety

critical points are often on $\text{Sing}(\mathcal{M})$

critical points are often “spurious”, i.e. $\mu(\mathbf{w}) \notin \text{Crit}(\ell_{\mathcal{D}}|_{\mathcal{M}})$

stride-1 LCNs

\mathcal{M} = full-dimensional semi-algebraic

critical points are often on $\partial\mathcal{M}$