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In this supplementary material, we make use of the following notation. x_i denotes the i^{th} entry of the (column) vector $X(x)$, y_j the j^{th} entry of the (column) vector $Y(y)$, $\mathbf{V}[i; j]$ denotes the entry in position (i, j) of the matrix \mathbf{V} . Also, $\mathbf{V}[:, j]$ denotes the j^{th} column of the matrix \mathbf{V} . Finally, $\delta_{i,j}$ denotes the delta function which gives 1 if $i = j$, and 0 otherwise.

7. Example of a distribution where the minimizer of the quadratic risk has a substantial higher error rate than the optimal classifier

We consider a simple one-dimensional binary classification problem where $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathcal{Y} = \{-1, +1\}$. We thus consider classifiers identified by a single scalar weight w such that the output $h_w(x)$ on an input x is given by $h_w(x) = \text{sgn}(wx)$.

Consider a distribution D concentrated on four points $\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3), (x_4, y_4)\}$. Let p_i denote the weight induced by D on x_i . Hence $\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i = 1$. The 0/1 risk is then given by $\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i I(h_w(x_i) \neq y_i)$ and the quadratic risk is given by $\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i (y_i - wx_i)^2$.

Let w_r denote the value of w minimizing the quadratic risk. Since the derivative (with respect to w) of the quadratic risk must vanish at w_r , we find that it is given by the solution of $w_r \sum_{i=1}^4 p_i x_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^4 p_i y_i x_i = 0$, or equivalently by

$$w_r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i y_i x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^4 p_i x_i^2}.$$

Now let $x_1 = \epsilon$ with $p_1 = (1 - \epsilon)/2$ and $y_1 = +1$. Let $x_2 = -\epsilon$ with $p_2 = (1 - \epsilon)/2$ and $y_2 = -1$. Let $x_3 = 1/\epsilon$ with $p_3 = \epsilon/2$ and $y_3 = -1$. Let $x_4 = -1/\epsilon$ with $p_4 = \epsilon/2$ and $y_4 = +1$.

Hence, with this distribution, the 0/1 risk of a classifier with a positive weight w is equal to ϵ and the 0/1 risk of a classifier with a negative weight w is equal to $1 - \epsilon$. The difference tends to the maximum value of 1 when ϵ goes to zero.

However, with this distribution This gives

$$w_r = \frac{-1 + \epsilon(1 - \epsilon)}{(1 - \epsilon)\epsilon^2 + (1/\epsilon)}.$$

Hence w_r is negative for all ϵ between 0 and 1. Hence the 0/1 risk of h_{w_r} is $(1 - \epsilon)$ but there exists classifiers (those with positive w) having a 0/1 risk of ϵ .

8. Proof of Equation (5)

$$\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \|Y(y) - \mathbf{V}X(x)\|^2 = \|Y(y) - \mathbf{W}X(x)\|^2 + \sigma^2 N_{\mathcal{Y}} |X(x)|^2, . \quad (5)$$

Proof. First, note that

$$\|Y(y) - \mathbf{V}X(x)\|^2 = \|Y(y)\|^2 - 2\langle Y(y) | \mathbf{V}X(x) \rangle + \|\mathbf{V}X(x)\|^2.$$

Let us now compute the expectation according to the posterior $Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}$ of these three terms.

- $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \|Y(y)\|^2 = \|Y(y)\|^2.$
- For $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} 2\langle Y(y) | \mathbf{V}X(x) \rangle:$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} 2\langle Y(y) | \mathbf{V}X(x) \rangle &= 2 \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \langle Y(y) | \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_l \mathbf{V}[:, l] \rangle \\ &= 2 \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \langle Y(y) | x_l \mathbf{V}[:, l] \rangle \\ &= 2 \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} y_q \mathbf{V}[q; l] x_l \\ &= 2 \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} y_q x_l \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \mathbf{V}[q; l] \\ &= 2 \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} y_q x_l \mathbf{W}[q; l] \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= 2 \langle Y(y) | \mathbf{W}X(x) \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

- For $\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \|\mathbf{V}X(x)\|^2$, first note that since $Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}$ is an *isotropic* Gaussian with mean \mathbf{W} and variance σ^2 , we have

$$\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \mathbf{V}[q; l] \mathbf{V}[q; k] = \mathbf{W}[q; l] \mathbf{W}[q; k] \quad \text{if } l \neq k,$$

and

$$\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{W}, \sigma}} \mathbf{V}[q; l] \mathbf{V}[q; l] = \mathbf{W}[q; l] + \sigma^2.$$

Thus, we have

$$\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} \|\mathbf{V}X(x)\|^2 = \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} \langle \mathbf{V}X(x) | \mathbf{V}X(x) \rangle \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} \left\langle \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_l \mathbf{V}[:, l] \left| \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_k \mathbf{V}[:, k] \right. \right\rangle \\ &= \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_l x_k \langle \mathbf{V}[:, l] | \mathbf{V}[:, k] \rangle \\ &= \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_l x_k \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \mathbf{V}[q; l] \mathbf{V}[q; k] \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_l x_k \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} \mathbf{V}[q; l] \mathbf{V}[q; k] \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq l}}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_l x_k \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \mathbf{W}[q; l] \mathbf{W}[q; k] \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_k x_k \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} (\mathbf{W}[q; l] \mathbf{W}[q; k] + \sigma^2) \\ &= \left(\sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_l x_k \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \mathbf{W}[q; l] \mathbf{W}[q; k] \right) + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_k^2 \sum_{q=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \|\mathbf{W}X(x)\|^2 + \sigma^2 N_{\mathcal{Y}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_k^2 \quad (18)$$

$$= \|\mathbf{W}X(x)\|^2 + \sigma^2 N_{\mathcal{Y}} \|X(x)\|^2. \quad (19)$$

From all that precedes, we then obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} \|Y(y) - \mathbf{V}X(x)\|^2 &= \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} (\|Y(y)\|^2 - 2\langle Y(y) | \mathbf{V}X(x) \rangle + \|\mathbf{V}X(x)\|^2) \\ &= \|Y(y)\|^2 - 2\langle Y(y) | \mathbf{W}X(x) \rangle + \|\mathbf{W}X(x)\|^2 + \sigma^2 N_{\mathcal{Y}} \|X(x)\|^2 \\ &= \|Y(y) - \mathbf{W}X(x)\|^2 + \sigma^2 N_{\mathcal{Y}} \|X(x)\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

and we are done. \square

9. Proof of Equation (6)

Proof. Let us now prove Equation (6), which is given by

$$\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} e^{-2\|Y(y) - \mathbf{v}X(x)\|^2} = \left[\frac{\sigma^{N_x}}{\sqrt{1 + 4\sigma^2\|X(x)\|^2}} \right]^{N_y} e^{-\frac{2\|Y(y) - \mathbf{w}X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2\|X(x)\|^2}}. \quad (20)$$

We will prove Equation (20) for the case of an arbitrary vector X for which each of its component is non zero. To see that the result will also hold for the case where X has some zero-valued components, note that the result will hold by replacing X with $X + \vec{\epsilon}$, where $\vec{\epsilon}$ is a vector whose entries are all equal to ϵ for an ϵ smaller than the smallest non zero component of X . The result then comes out from the continuity with respect to X of the right-hand side of Equation (20) and by taking the limit when ϵ goes to zero.

Now, let

$$\begin{aligned} I &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{v} \sim Q_{\mathbf{w}, \sigma}} e^{-2\|Y(y) - \mathbf{v}X(x)\|^2} \\ &= \int \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{N_x N_y}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}\|^2}{\sigma^2}} e^{-2\|Y(y) - \mathbf{v}X(x)\|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Performing the change of variables $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{V} - \mathbf{W}$ gives

$$I = \int \frac{d\mathbf{U}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{N_x N_y}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\|\mathbf{U}\|^2}{\sigma^2}} e^{-2\|Y(y) - (\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{W})X(x)\|^2}.$$

Now, let \vec{A} be the vector of \mathcal{H}_y defined as

$$\vec{A} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} Y(y) - \mathbf{W}X(x), \quad (21)$$

and let us denote by A_l , the l^{th} component of the vector \vec{A} . Then

$$-2\|Y(y) - (\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{W})X(x)\|^2 = -2\|\vec{A}\|^2 + -2\|\mathbf{U}X(x)\|^2 + 4\langle \vec{A} | \mathbf{U}X(x) \rangle.$$

This implies that

$$I = e^{-2\|\vec{A}\|^2} \int \frac{d\mathbf{U}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{N_x N_y}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\|\mathbf{U}\|^2}{\sigma^2} + 4\|\mathbf{U}X(x)\|^2 - 8\langle \vec{A} | \mathbf{U}X(x) \rangle\right)}. \quad (22)$$

9.1. An analysis of the argument of the exponential function of the integral I

Let

$$Q \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{U}\|^2}{\sigma^2} + 4\|\mathbf{U}X(x)\|^2 - 8\langle \vec{A} | \mathbf{U}X(x) \rangle \right). \quad (23)$$

In the following, A_l denotes the l^{th} component of the vector \vec{A} . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q &= \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \frac{\mathbf{U}_{[l;i]}^2}{\sigma^2} + 4 \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} x_i \right\|^2 - 8 \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \langle \vec{A} \mid \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} \rangle x_i \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \frac{\mathbf{U}_{[l;i]}^2}{\sigma^2} + 4 \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} x_i \mathbf{U}_{[l;j]} x_j - 8 \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} A_l \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} x_i \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \frac{\mathbf{U}_{[l;i]}^2}{\sigma^2} + 4 \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} x_i \mathbf{U}_{[l;j]} x_j - 8 \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \delta_{i,j} A_l \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} x_i \\
 &= \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \left(\frac{\delta_{i,j}}{\sigma^2} + 4x_i x_j \right) \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} \mathbf{U}_{[l;j]} - 8 \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \delta_{i,j} A_l \mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} x_i.
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us now define the matrix \mathbf{N} of dimension $N_{\mathcal{X}} \times N_{\mathcal{Y}}$ as

$$\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} = \frac{\delta_{i,j}}{\sigma^2} + 4x_i x_j. \quad (24)$$

Now, let

$$\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\mathbf{U}_{[l;i]}}{x_i} \quad \text{for all } l = 1, \dots, N_{\mathcal{Y}} \quad \text{and} \quad i = 1, \dots, N_{\mathcal{X}}. \quad (25)$$

Recall that, w.l.o.g., x_i is different from 0 and that $\sigma > 0$.

This new change of variables gives

$$Q = \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - 8 \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} A_l x_i^2 \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \right). \quad (26)$$

The following claim will transform Q in such a way that it will contain a single term including the integration variable \mathbf{Z} . This will be achieved by using the Fermat's difference of square argument: $(A^2 - B^2) = (A - B)(A + B)$.

CLAIM 1: For any $l = 1, \dots, N_{\mathcal{Y}}$, let

$$B_l \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{4\sigma^2 A_l}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}.$$

Then,

$$Q = \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j (\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} - B_l)(\mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - B_l) \right) - \frac{16 \|A\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}.$$

Proof of the claim. From the definition of B_l , we have that

$$B_l (x_i^2 + 4x_i^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2) = 4A_l x_i^2 \sigma^2.$$

Then, since $x_i^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \delta_{i,j} x_i x_j$ and $\|X(x)\|^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_j^2$, we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j B_l = 4A_l x_i^2 \quad (27)$$

Note also that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{16\sigma^4 A_l^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2} &= B_l^2 \|X(x)\|^2 (1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2) \\
 &= B_l^2 (\|X(x)\|^2 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^4) \\
 &= B_l^2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} x_i^2 + \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} 4\sigma^2 x_i^2 x_j^2 \right) \\
 &= B_l^2 \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \delta_{i,j} x_i x_j + \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} 4\sigma^2 x_i^2 x_j^2 \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} \sigma^2 x_i x_j B_l^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} (\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j (\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} - B_l)(\mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - B_l)) - \frac{16\|A\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2} \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} (\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j (\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} - B_l)(\mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - B_l)) - \frac{16A_l^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} (\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j (\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} - B_l)(\mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - B_l)) - \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j B_l^2 \right) \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} (\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} B_l - \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j B_l \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} \\
 &\quad + \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j B_l^2 - \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j B_l^2) \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} (\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j B_l \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} B_l - \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} B_l) \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} (\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j B_l \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - 2\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} B_l) \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} B_l \right) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_{\mathcal{Y}}} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} \mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathcal{X}}} 4A_l \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} x_i^2 \right) \\
 &= Q.
 \end{aligned}$$

The penultimate equality comes from Equation (27). Thus, Claim 1 is proved.

9.2. Let us transform our integral I into a Gaussian integral

Definition 7.

- Let the operator $\star: \{1, \dots, N_Y\} \times \{1, \dots, N_X\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, N_Y N_X\}$ be defined as

$$l \star i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (l-1) \cdot N_X + i.$$

Note that for any $\tilde{l} \in \{1, \dots, N_Y N_X\}$ there exists a unique 2-tuple $(l, i) \in \{1, \dots, N_Y\} \times \{1, \dots, N_X\}$ such that $\tilde{l} = l \star i$.

- Let \vec{z} be the vector of dimension $N_Y N_X$ defined as

$$z_{l \star i} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]}$$

for any $l \in \{1, \dots, N_Y\}$, and any $i \in \{1, \dots, N_X\}$.

- Let $\vec{\mu}$ be the vector of dimension $N_Y N_X$ defined as

$$\mu_{l \star i} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} B_l$$

for any $l \in \{1, \dots, N_Y\}$, and any $i \in \{1, \dots, N_X\}$.

- Let \mathbf{M} be the matrix of dimension $(N_Y N_X) \times (N_Y N_X)$ defined as

$$\mathbf{M}_{[l \star i; m \star j]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \delta_{l,m} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j \left(= \delta_{l,m} \left(\frac{\delta_{i,j}}{\sigma^2} + 4x_i x_j \right) x_i x_j \right), \quad (28)$$

for any $l, m \in \{1, \dots, N_Y\}$, and any $i, j \in \{1, \dots, N_X\}$.

Note that in what follows, the reader should interpret \tilde{l} as $l \star i$ and \tilde{m} as $m \star j$.

From the definitions above, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_Y} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^{N_X} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j (\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} - B_l)(\mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - B_l) \right) - \frac{16\|A\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2} \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{N_Y} \left(\sum_{l=1}^{N_Y} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_X} (\delta_{l,m} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j (\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} - B_l)(\mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - B_l)) \right) - \frac{16\|A\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2} \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^{N_Y} \sum_{i=1}^{N_X} \sum_{m=1}^{N_Y} \sum_{j=1}^{N_X} (\delta_{l,m} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]} x_i x_j (\mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]} - B_l)(\mathbf{Z}_{[l;j]} - B_l)) - \frac{16\|A\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2} \\ &= \sum_{\tilde{l}=1}^{N_Y N_X} \sum_{\tilde{m}=1}^{N_Y N_X} \left((z_{\tilde{l}} - \mu_{\tilde{l}}) \mathbf{M}_{[\tilde{l};\tilde{m}]} (z_{\tilde{m}} - \mu_{\tilde{m}}) \right) - \frac{16\|A\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting this expression for Q into the integral I given by Equation (22) gives

$$I = e^{-2\|\vec{A}\|^2} \int \frac{d\mathbf{U}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{N_X N_Y}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{U}\|^2}{\sigma^2} + 4\|\mathbf{U}X(x)\|^2 - 8\langle \vec{A} | \mathbf{U}X(x) \rangle \right)} \quad (29)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} |x_i|^{N_y} \left(\int \frac{d\vec{z}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{N_x N_y}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_y} \sum_{\bar{m}=1}^{N_x} ((z_i - \mu_i) \mathbf{M}_{[i;\bar{m}]} (z_{\bar{m}} - \mu_{\bar{m}}))} \right) \\
 &\quad \cdot e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \tag{30}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} |x_i|^{N_y} e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \int \frac{d\vec{z}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{N_x N_y}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} ((\vec{z}-\bar{\mu})^\top \mathbf{M} (\vec{z}-\bar{\mu}))} \tag{31}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} |x_i|^{N_y} e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(\mathbf{M})}} \\
 &\quad \cdot \int \frac{d\vec{z}}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^{N_x N_y}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(\mathbf{M}^{-1})}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} ((\vec{z}-\bar{\mu})^\top (\mathbf{M}^{-1})^{-1} (\vec{z}-\bar{\mu}))} \tag{32}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} |x_i|^{N_y} e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(\mathbf{M})}} \cdot 1. \tag{33}
 \end{aligned}$$

Line (30) is a consequence of the fact that $\mathbf{U}_{[l;i]} = x_i \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]}$ (see Equation (25)) and of the fact that $\vec{z}_i = \mathbf{Z}_{[l;i]}$. Line (33) comes from the fact that the integral of the preceding line is an integral of a Gaussian density and is therefore equal to 1. Lines (32) and (33) force \mathbf{M} to be positive definite, so we have to prove that fact. This is one of the statements of the following claim.

CLAIM 2: Matrix \mathbf{M} is positive definite and

$$\det(\mathbf{M}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} (x_i^2)^{N_y} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right)^{N_x N_y} (1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2)^{N_y}$$

Before proving Claim 2, let us show that it implies the result.

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} |x_i|^{N_y} e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(\mathbf{M})}} \\
 &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} \prod_{i=1}^{N_x} |x_i|^{N_y} e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\prod_{i=1}^{N_x} (x_i^2)^{N_y} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right)^{N_x N_y} (1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2)^{N_y}}} \\
 &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right)^{N_x N_y} (1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2)^{N_y}}} \\
 &= e^{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2} e^{\frac{8\|\bar{A}\|^2 \sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{\sigma^{N_x N_y}}{\sqrt{(1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2)^{N_y}}} \\
 &= e^{\frac{-2\|\bar{A}\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{\sigma^{N_x N_y}}{\sqrt{(1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2)^{N_y}}} \\
 &= e^{\frac{-2\|Y(y) - \mathbf{W}X(x)\|^2}{1+4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2}} \frac{\sigma^{N_x N_y}}{\sqrt{(1 + 4\sigma^2 \|X(x)\|^2)^{N_y}}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

To finish the proof, let us now prove Claim 2.

Proof of the claim. Let \mathbf{X} be the diagonal matrix whose entries are the x_i s and note that the matrix $(\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{i;j}$ can be expressed as follows:

$$(\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{i;j} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{N}\mathbf{X}. \quad (34)$$

Now, from the definition of \mathbf{M} , and basic determinant's properties, we have

$$\det(\mathbf{M}) = \det\left((\delta_{l,m} \mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{l^*i; m^*j}\right) \quad (35)$$

$$= \left(\det\left((\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{i;j}\right)\right)^{N_y} \quad (36)$$

$$= \left(\det(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{N}\mathbf{X})\right)^{N_y} \quad (37)$$

$$= \left(\left(\prod_{i=1}^{N_x} x_i\right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{N_x} x_j\right) \det(\mathbf{N})\right)^{N_y} \quad (38)$$

$$= \left(\left(\prod_{i=1}^{N_x} x_i^2\right) \det(\mathbf{N})\right)^{N_y}$$

Line (35) comes straightforwardly from the definition (see Equation (28)). Line (36) comes from the fact that \mathbf{M} is a matrix whose entries are all 0, except for N_y identical blocks of size $N_x \times N_x$ that are positioned in the diagonal of M , each one of those blocks being the matrix $(\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{i;j}$. Line (38) follows from a basic determinant's property, and from the fact that $\det(\mathbf{X}) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^{N_x} x_i\right)$.

Note also that the block structure of the matrix \mathbf{M} implies that it has exactly the same eigenvalues as Matrix $(\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{i;j}$ (but with a multiplicity augmented by a factor of N_y).

Also, it follows from Equation (34) that, for each eigenvalue λ of $(\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{i;j}$, there exists i such that $\frac{\lambda}{x_i^2}$ is an eigenvalue of \mathbf{N} . Indeed, because of Equation (34), we have that

$$\det\left((\mathbf{N}_{[i;j]x_i x_j})_{i;j} - \lambda\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}\right) = \mathbf{0} \Leftrightarrow \det(\mathbf{N} - \lambda I) = \mathbf{0}.$$

This, in turn, implies that if \mathbf{N} is positive definite, so is \mathbf{M} .

Hence, to prove Claim 2, we only have to show that \mathbf{N} is positive definite and

$$\det(\mathbf{N}) = \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\right)^{N_x} (1 + 4\sigma^2\|X(x)\|^2).$$

Let us consider matrix \mathbf{O} , defined as $\mathbf{O}_{[i;j]} = 4x_i x_j$. Then, it is easy to see that $\lambda = 0$ is an eigenvalue of \mathbf{O} of multiplicity $N_x - 1$ because the rank of that matrix is 1. Note that line L_i of that matrix is always equal to $\frac{x_i}{x_1} L_1$. Moreover we can easily see that $(x_1, \dots, x_m)^\top$ is an eigenvector of \mathbf{O} with eigenvalue $4\|X(x)\|^2$.

Now, note that

$$\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{O} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \cdot I.$$

Thus, there is a one-to-one correspondence between the eigenvalues of \mathbf{O} and those of \mathbf{N} : λ is an eigenvalue of the former if and only if $\lambda + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$ is an eigenvalue of the latter. Thus N is positive definite, and

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{N}) &= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\right)^{N_x-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} + 4\|X(x)\|^2\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\right)^{N_x} (1 + 4\sigma^2\|X(x)\|^2). \end{aligned}$$

□

10. Proof of $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} R(\mathbf{A}, S)$ from Theorem (6)

Proof. From equation (9) we have

$$\mathbf{W} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m Y(y_i) A_{[i;j]} X^\dagger(x_j) = \mathbf{M}_y \mathbf{A} \mathbf{M}_x^\dagger \quad (39)$$

Where M_y is a $N_y \times m$ matrix with $Y(y_i)$ in it's i -th column. Similarly M_x is a $N_x \times m$ matrix with $X(x_j)$ in it's j -th column.

$$\begin{aligned} R(\mathbf{A}, S) &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|Y(y_i) - \mathbf{W}X(x_i)\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \|\mathbf{M}_y - \mathbf{W} \mathbf{M}_x\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \|\mathbf{M}_y - \mathbf{M}_y \mathbf{A} \mathbf{M}_x^\dagger \mathbf{M}_x\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \|\mathbf{M}_y - \mathbf{M}_y \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \|\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{[i;j]}} R(\mathbf{A}, S) &= \frac{1}{m} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{[i;j]}} \sum_{k,l=1}^m [\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)]_{[k;l]}^2 \\ &= \frac{2}{m} \sum_{k,l=1}^m [\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)]_{[k;l]} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{[i;j]}} [\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)]_{[k;l]} \\ &= \frac{-2}{m} \sum_{k,l=1}^m [\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)]_{[k;l]} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{[i;j]}} [\mathbf{M}_y \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x]_{[k;l]} \\ &= \frac{-2}{m} \sum_{k,l=1}^m [\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)]_{[k;l]} \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{[i;j]}} \left[\sum_{k',l'=1}^m \mathbf{M}_y_{[k;k']} \mathbf{A}_{[k';l']} \mathbf{K}_x_{[l';l]} \right] \\ &= \frac{-2}{m} \sum_{k,l=1}^m [\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)]_{[k;l]} \mathbf{M}_y_{[k;i]} \mathbf{K}_x_{[j;l]} \\ &= \frac{-2}{m} \sum_{k,l=1}^m (\mathbf{M}_y)_{[i;k]}^\dagger [\mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x)]_{[k;l]} \mathbf{K}_x_{[j;l]} \\ &= \frac{-2}{m} \sum_{l=1}^m \left[\mathbf{M}_y^\dagger \mathbf{M}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x) \right]_{[i;l]} \mathbf{K}_x_{[j;l]} \\ &= \frac{-2}{m} [\mathbf{K}_y (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x) \mathbf{K}_x^\top]_{[i;j]} \\ &= \frac{2}{m} [\mathbf{K}_y (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_x - \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{K}_x]_{[i;j]} \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

□

11. Details on how equation (14) becomes $\gamma_{i,j}(\delta_i \lambda_j^2 + m\beta) = \delta_i \lambda_j (u_i^\top v_j)$

Because $\{u_i v_j^\top\}_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{I}}$ constitutes an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^{m^2} we have

$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_{i,j} u_i v_j^\top \quad (42)$$

and the following equalities (recall that $\mathbf{K}_Y = \sum_{k=1}^m \delta_k u_k u_k^\top$ and $\mathbf{K}_X = \sum_{l=1}^m \lambda_l v_l v_l^\top$)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}_Y \mathbf{K}_X &= \sum_{k=1}^m \delta_k u_k u_k^\top \sum_{l=1}^m \lambda_l v_l v_l^\top \\ &= \sum_{k,l=1}^m \delta_k \lambda_l (u_k^\top v_l) u_k v_l^\top \\ \mathbf{K}_X^2 &= \sum_{l=1}^m \lambda_l v_l v_l^\top \sum_{l'=1}^m \lambda_{l'} v_{l'} v_{l'}^\top \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^m \lambda_l^2 v_l v_l^\top \\ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_X^2 &= \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{l=1}^m \gamma_{k,l} u_k v_l^\top \sum_{l=1}^m \lambda_l^2 v_l v_l^\top \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{l=1}^m \gamma_{k,l} \lambda_l^2 u_k v_l^\top \\ \mathbf{K}_Y \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_X^2 &= \sum_{k'=1}^m \delta_{k'} u_{k'} u_{k'}^\top \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{l=1}^m \gamma_{k,l} \lambda_l^2 u_k v_l^\top \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{l=1}^m \gamma_{k,l} \delta_k \lambda_l^2 u_k v_l^\top \end{aligned}$$

Equation (14) then becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{m} \mathbf{K}_Y (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_X - \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{K}_X + 2\beta \mathbf{A} &= 0 \\ \frac{2}{m} \mathbf{K}_Y \mathbf{A} \mathbf{K}_X^2 - \frac{2}{m} \mathbf{K}_Y \mathbf{K}_X + 2\beta \mathbf{A} &= 0 \\ \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{l=1}^m \left[\frac{2}{m} \gamma_{k,l} \delta_k \lambda_l^2 - \frac{2}{m} \lambda_l (u_k^\top v_l) + 2\beta \gamma_{k,l} \right] u_k v_l^\top &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $u_k v_l^\top$ are linearly independent vectors of \mathbb{R}^{m^2} , the previous equation is satisfied when

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{m} \gamma_{k,l} \delta_k \lambda_l^2 - \frac{2}{m} \lambda_l (u_k^\top v_l) + 2\beta \gamma_{k,l} &= 0 \\ \frac{2}{m} \gamma_{k,l} \delta_k \lambda_l^2 + 2\beta \gamma_{k,l} &= \frac{2}{m} \lambda_l (u_k^\top v_l) \\ \gamma_{k,l} (\delta_k \lambda_l^2 + m\beta) &= \delta_k \lambda_l (u_k^\top v_l) \end{aligned}$$