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Mathematics and Information, Exercise sheet 8

Problem 1: (5 points)

You want to build a universal portfolio for two stocks with a fixed horizon of two periods.

- a) Which part of the available capital do you invest in each of the two stocks?
- b) Suppose, the first stock gains 40% in each period whereas the second on looses 20%. What is your gain or loss, and how does it compare to the a posteriori best fixed portfolio?
- c) Now suppose, during the first period the first stock gains 40% and the second looses 20%, but in the second period, it is the other way round. What is your gain or loss now, and how does it compare to the a posteriori best fixed portfolio?

Problem 2: (5 points)

a) Some collection contains six documents, in which the following words occur:

D₁: Shannon, Entropy, Information

D2: Boltzmann, Entropy, Clausius, Heat

D₃: Information, Shannon, Code, Cryptanalysis, Key

D₄: Kelly. Shannon, Bet, Portfolio, Information

D₅: Las Vegas, Shannon, Kelly

D₆: Shannon, Juggling, Robot, Unicycle

Construct a term-document-matrix for this collection in which all column vectors have length one!

b) Code the query *Information Shannon* by a unit vector and compute the cosine of the angle between this vector and each of the six document vectors!

Problem 3: (5 points)

- a) Let (t_i, x_i) , i = 1, ..., 100 be data points for which a relation of the form $x_i = a \sin t_i + b \sin 2t_i + c \sin 3t_i + d \sin 4t_i$ is supposed to hold. Which system of linear equations gives the best values for the coefficients a, b, c, d in the sense of least squares?
- b) How can you proceed if a connection of the form $x_i = a \cos(t_i + c)$ with unknown parameters a, c is suspected?

Problem 4: (5 points)

Determine parameters $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the relation z = a + bx + cy holds approximately for the following points $P_i = (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$:

$$P_1 = (1,1,1), P_2 = (1,2,3), P_3 = (1,3,2), P_4 = (2,3,4), P_5 = (0,4,5), P_6 = (1,-1,3)$$