

MACHINE LEARNING

Homework Week 3

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1. Re-transform linear regression:

$$t = y(x, w) + \text{noise} \rightarrow w = (x^T x)^{-1} x^T t$$

Answer

We have:

- Set a observation $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)^T$
- Total observation N
- Target values $t = (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N)^T$

Suppose that the observations are drawn independently from a Gaussian distribution.

$$t = y(x, w) + N(0, \beta^{-1}) \Rightarrow t = N(y(x, w), \beta^{-1})$$

with $\beta = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$

$$p(t|x, w, \beta) = N(t|y(x, w), \beta^{-1})$$

We now use the training data x, t to determine the values of the unknown parameters w and by maximum likelihood. If the data are assumed to be drawn independently from the distribution then the likelihood function:

$$p(t|x, w, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^N N(t|y(x, w), \beta^{-1})$$

It is convenient to maximize the logarithm of the likelihood function:

$$\log p(t|x, w, \beta) = \sum_{n=1}^N \log(N(t|y(x, w), \beta^{-1}))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n=1}^N \log\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta^{-1}}} e^{-\frac{(t_n - y(x_n, w))^2 \beta}{2}}\right) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\beta^{-1}) - (t_n - y(x_n, w))^2 - \frac{\beta}{2} \right] \\
&\cong - \sum_{i=1}^N (t_n - y(x_n, w))^2 \\
&\longrightarrow \text{We minimize } (t_n - y(x_n, w))^2
\end{aligned}$$

Set:

$$L = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (t_n - y(x_n, w))^2$$

with:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ 1 & x_3 \\ \dots & \dots \\ 1 & x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \dots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 x_1 + w_0 \\ w_1 x_2 + w_0 \\ w_1 x_3 + w_0 \\ \dots \\ w_1 x_n + w_0 \end{bmatrix} = xw$$

we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\delta L}{\delta w} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\delta L}{\delta w_0} \\ \frac{\delta L}{\delta w_1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t - xw \\ x(t - xw) \end{bmatrix} = x^T(t - xw) = 0 \\
&\Leftrightarrow x^T t = x^T xw \\
&\Leftrightarrow w = (x^T x)^{-1} x^T t
\end{aligned}$$

2. Proof: $X^T X$ is invertible when X is full rank.

Answer

Suppose:

$$\begin{aligned}
X^T v &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow X X^T v &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Conversely, suppose

$$X X^T v = 0$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}v^T X X^T v &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (X^T v)^T (X^T v) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$X^T v = 0$$

Hence, we have proved that $X^T v = 0$ if and only if v is in the nullspace of $X^T X$.

But $X^T v = 0$ and $v \neq 0$ if and only if X has linearly dependent rows.

Thus, $X^T X$ is invertible if and only if X has full row rank.