Lecture 6 Regression

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- Regression problem
- Nonparametric regression
- Linear regression
- Regularization for regression

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 $a(x) = f(x, \theta)$ is dependency model, $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^t$.

Ordinary Least Squares

Standard assumptions:

$$y(x_i) = f(x_i, \theta) + \varepsilon_i, \quad \varepsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_i^2), \quad i = 1, ..., \ell.$$

Maximum likelihood:

$$L(\varepsilon_{i}, ..., \varepsilon_{i} | \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{\ell} \frac{1}{\sigma_{i} \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_{i}^{2}} \varepsilon_{i}^{2}\right) \rightarrow \max_{\theta}.$$

$$-\ln L(\varepsilon_{i}, ..., \varepsilon_{i} | \theta) =$$

$$= \operatorname{const}(\theta) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} (f(x_{i}, \theta) - y_{i})^{2} \rightarrow \min_{\theta}.$$

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Main idea

Basic idea: let think that $\theta(x) = \theta$ nearby $x \in X$:

$$Q(\theta, T^{\ell}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} w_i(x)(\theta - y_i)^2 \to \min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}}.$$

Main idea: use kernel smoothing:

$$w_i(x) = K\left(\frac{\rho(x_i, x)}{h}\right),\,$$

where *h* is window width.

Kernel smoothing

Nadaraya-Watson kernel smoothing:

$$a_h(x,T^{\ell}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} y_i w_i(x)}{\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} w_i(x)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} y_i K\left(\frac{\rho(x_i,x)}{h}\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} K\left(\frac{\rho(x_i,x)}{h}\right)}.$$

Basis theorem

Theorem. If

- 1) sample T^{ℓ} is simple, distributed with p(x, y);
- 2) $\int_0^\infty K(r)dr < \infty, \lim_{r \to \infty} rK(r) = 0;$
- 3) $E(y^2|x) < \infty \ \forall x \in X$;
- 4) $\lim_{\ell \to \infty} h_{\ell} = 0$, $\lim_{\ell \to \infty} \ell h_{\ell} = \infty$,

then $a_h(x, T^{\ell}) \to^P E(y|x)$ in any $x \in X$,

when E(y|x), p(x), D(y|x) are continuing, p(x) > 0.

Method discussion

- kernel function has impact on smoothness;
- kernel function has small impact on approximation quality;
- *h* impacts on approximation quality;
- *k* can be tuned;
- sensitive to noise.

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Linear regression model

Model of multidimensional linear regression:

$$f(x,\theta) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_j f_j(x), \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Matrix notation:

$$F = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x_1) & \dots & f_n(x_1) \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ f_1(x_{\ell}) & \dots & f_n(x_{\ell}) \end{pmatrix}, y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \dots \\ y_{\ell} \end{pmatrix}, \theta = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \dots \\ \theta_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Quality in matrix notation:

$$Q(\theta, T^{\ell}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} (f(x_i, \theta) - y_i) = ||F\theta - y||^2 \to \min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}}.$$

Normal equation sysmet

Minimum condition:

$$\frac{\partial Q(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 2F^{\mathsf{T}}(F\theta - y) = 0.$$

 $F^+ = (F^\top F)^{-1} F^\top$ is pseudo reverse matrix (Moore-Penrose inverse)

 $P_F = FF^+$ is projection matrix

Solution:

$$\theta^* = F^+ y$$
.

Minimum approximation:

$$Q(\theta^*) = ||P_F y - y||^2.$$

Singular vector decomposition

Theorem: any matrix F size of $\ell \times n$ can be represented with singular decomposition

$$F = VDU^{\mathsf{T}}$$
.

With

- $V = (v_1, ..., v_n)$ is size of $\ell \times n$ and orthogonal $V^T V = I_n$, rows v_i are eigenvectors of matrix FF^T ;
- $U = (u_1, ..., u_n)$ is size of $n \times n$ and ortogonal $U^T U = I_n$, rows u_i are eigenvectors of matrix $F^T F$;
- $D = \operatorname{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_1}, ..., \sqrt{\lambda_n})$ of size $n \times n$, $\sqrt{\lambda_j}$ are **singular numbers**, squares of eigenvalues of matrices FF^{T} and $F^{\mathsf{T}}F$.

OLS with SVD

$$F^{+} = (UDV^{T}VDU^{T})UDV^{T} = UD^{-1}V^{T} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j}}} u_{j} v_{j}^{T};$$

$$\theta^{*} = F^{+}y = UD^{-1}V^{T}y = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j}}} u_{j} (v_{j}^{T}y);$$

$$F\theta^{*} = P_{F}y = (VDU^{T})UD^{-1}V^{T}y = VV^{T}y = \sum_{j=1}^{n} v_{j} (v_{j}^{T}y);$$

$$||\theta^{*}||^{2} = ||D^{-1}V^{T}y||^{2} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{j}} (v_{j}^{T}y)^{2}.$$

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Ridge regression

Assumption: values of θ have Gaussian distribution with covariance matrix σI_n :

$$Q_{\tau}(\theta) = ||F\theta - y||^2 + \frac{1}{2\sigma}||\theta||^2 \to \min_{\theta},$$

where $\tau = 1/\sigma$ is regularization penalty.

OLS solution:

$$\theta_{\tau}^* = (F^{\mathsf{T}}F + \tau I_n)^{-1}F^{\mathsf{T}}y.$$

Solution for ridge regression

$$\theta_{\tau}^{*} = U(D^{2} + \tau I_{n})^{-1}DV^{T}y = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_{j}}}{\lambda_{j} + \tau} u_{j}(v_{j}^{T}y);$$

$$F\theta_{\tau}^{*} = (VDU^{T})\theta_{\tau}^{*} = V \operatorname{diag}\left(\frac{\lambda_{j}}{\lambda_{j} + \tau}\right)V^{T}y =$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\lambda_{j}}{\lambda_{j} + \tau} v_{j}(v_{j}^{T}y);$$

$$||\theta^{*}||^{2} = ||D^{2}(D^{2} + \tau I_{n})^{-1}D^{-1}V^{T}y||^{2} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{j} + \tau} (v_{j}^{T}y)^{2}.$$

Tibshirani lasso

Assumption: values of vector θ has Laplacian distribution:

$$\begin{cases} Q_{\tau}(\theta) = ||F\theta - y||^2 \to \min; \\ \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_i| \le \kappa. \end{cases}$$

LASSO (least absolute shrinkage and selection operator).

Will lead to feature selection.

LASSO regression

The resulting optimization problem

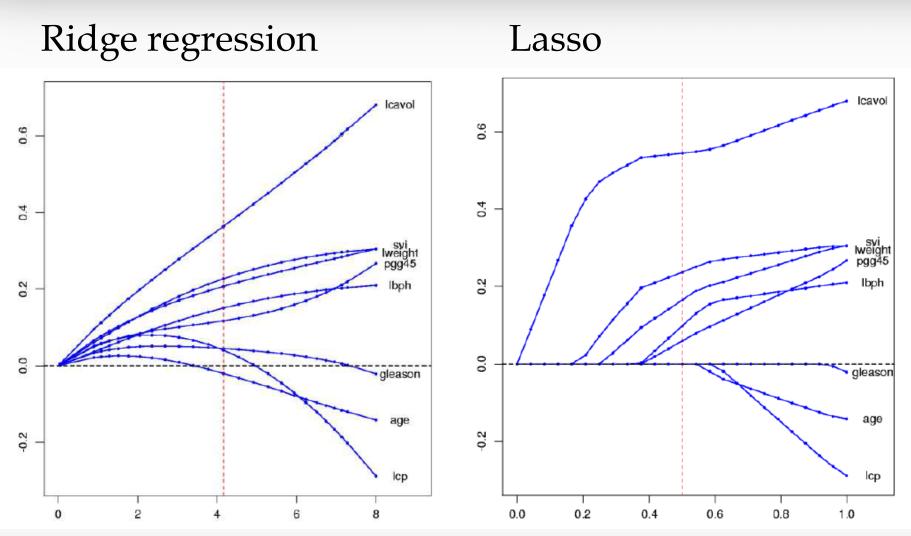
$$Q_{\tau}(\theta) = ||F\theta - y||^2 + \tau ||\theta||_1 \to \min_{\theta},$$

where $\|\theta\|_1$ is l_1 -norm: $\|\theta\|_1 = \sum |\theta_i|$.

No nice analytical solution exist.

However, a nice computational solution exist.

Comparison



Regularizer discussion

- l_1 -norm and l_2 -norm regularizers are the most popular
- ElasicNet, which is sum of the previous two is also popular
- Many other may be used with respect to initial assumptions
- Some techniques are de-facto regularization or can be interpreted as regularization