

Practical 5, Group A
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1. Theoretical part

We want to prove that (1) \Leftrightarrow (2), where

$$(1) \min_{j \in P \setminus S} \|y - X^* \hat{\beta}^* - x_j \beta_j\|_2^2$$

$$(2) \max_{j \in P \setminus S} |x_j^T (y - X^* \hat{\beta}^*)|$$

Proof

Define the residual as $e^* = y - X^* \hat{\beta}^*$.

Let us compute the First Order Condition for

$$f(\beta_j) = \|y - X^* \hat{\beta}^* - x_j \beta_j\|_2^2.$$

Expanding the L2 norm, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(\beta_j) &= \|y - X^* \hat{\beta}^* - x_j \beta_j\|_2^2 \\ &= \|e^* - x_j \beta_j\|_2^2 \\ &= (e^* - x_j \beta_j)^T (e^* - x_j \beta_j) \\ &= e^{*T} e^* - 2\beta_j^T x_j^T e^* + \beta_j^T x_j^T x_j \beta_j \\ &= e^{*T} e^* - 2\beta_j^T x_j^T e^* + \beta_j^T \beta_j, \end{aligned}$$

since we assume all predictors unitary. Differentiating according to β_j we get

$$\frac{\partial f(\beta_j)}{\partial \beta_j} = -2x_j^T e^* + 2\beta_j = 0 \Leftrightarrow \hat{\beta}_j = x_j^T e^*.$$

Therefore minimising $f(\beta_j), \forall j$ is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} &\min_{j \in P \setminus S} e^{*T} e^* - 2\beta_j^T \beta_j + \beta_j^T \beta_j \\ &\Leftrightarrow \min_{j \in P \setminus S} e^{*T} e^* - 2\|\beta_j\|_2^2 + \|\beta_j\|_2^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \min_{j \in P \setminus S} e^{*T} e^* - \|\beta_j\|_2^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \min_{j \in P \setminus S} -\|\beta_j\|_2^2, \end{aligned}$$

since e^* is independent of j . Using some optimisation result, we obtain

$$\min_{j \in P \setminus S} -\|\beta_j\|_2^2 \Leftrightarrow \max_{j \in P \setminus S} \|\beta_j\|_2^2.$$

Since optimising over the L2 norm is equivalent to optimising over the L1 norm, we get the following optimisation problem

$$\max_{j \in P \setminus S} |\beta_j|.$$

Using the FOC, First Optimality Condition, this results in

$$\max_{j \in P \setminus S} |x_j^T e^*|.$$

Using the definition of e^* , we find the optimisation problem (2):

$$\max_{j \in P \setminus S} |x_j^T (y - X^* \hat{\beta}^*)|,$$

which completes the proof. □