

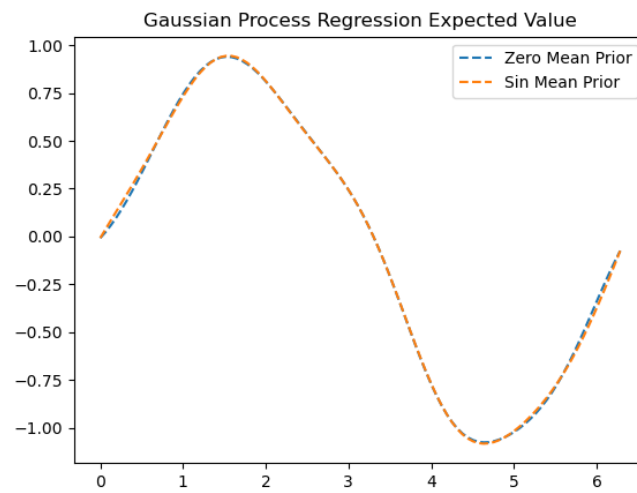
Computational Statistics HW2

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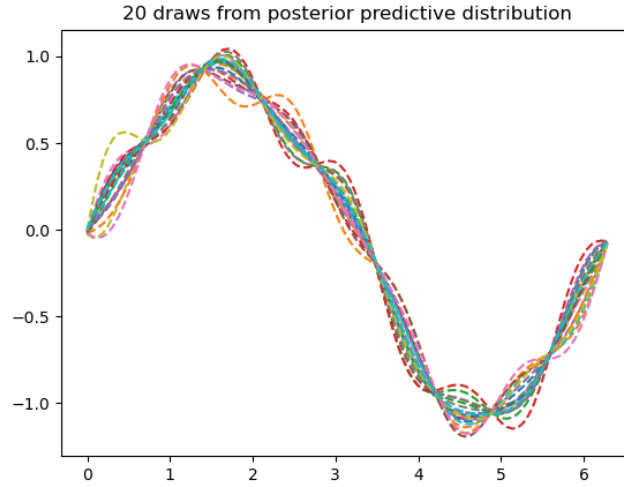
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Problem 1

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Problem 3

We have that $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ such that $\text{Rank}(\mathbf{A}) = k < n$. We want to show that the QR factorization of \mathbf{A} can be used to find the least squares solution

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\text{argmin}} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2$$

We are looking at a tall skinny rank deficient matrix. The QR decomposition of this matrix takes the form,

$$\mathbf{A}\Pi = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1 & \mathbf{R}_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Where Π is some permutation matrix that does not change the norm such that the first k columns are linearly independent. Then $\mathbf{R}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$ and $\mathbf{R}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-k) \times k}$. So we can now write,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1 & \mathbf{R}_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Pi^T$$

Let's now substitute this into our the 2-norm and see what we can do,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2 &= \left\| \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1 & \mathbf{R}_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Pi^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b} \right\|_2 \\ &= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1 & \mathbf{R}_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Pi^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{b} \right\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

If we then partition $\Pi^T \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$ we can write,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2 &= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1 & \mathbf{R}_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\| \\ &= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1 z_1 + \mathbf{R}_2 z_2 - c_1 \\ -c_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\| \\ &= \|\mathbf{R}_1 z_1 + \mathbf{R}_2 z_2 - c_1\|_2 + \|c_2\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

The first part of this sum is what we can actually control so to minimize $\|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_1 z_1 + \mathbf{R}_2 z_2 - c_1 &= 0 \\ z_1 &= \mathbf{R}_1^{-1}(c_1 - \mathbf{R}_2 z_2) \end{aligned}$$

And letting $z_2 = 0$ we can find the least squares solution for \mathbf{x} ,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi^T \mathbf{x} &= \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{x}^* &= \Pi \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_1^{-1}(c_1 - \mathbf{R}_2 z_2) \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

We have that $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ where $m < n$ and $\text{Rank}(\mathbf{A}) = m$. So we have an over-determined system and we want to find the minimum 2-norm least squares solution. For a matrix of the type we have above we can write the singular value decomposition of \mathbf{A} as,

$$\mathbf{A} = \underbrace{(\mathbf{U}_1 \quad \mathbf{U}_2)}_{\mathbf{U}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{\Sigma} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_1^T \\ \mathbf{V}_2^T \end{pmatrix}}_{\mathbf{V}^T}$$

Where $\mathbf{U}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, $\mathbf{U}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (n-m)}$, $\Sigma_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, $\mathbf{V}_1^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $\mathbf{V}_2^T \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times n}$ Plugging this into our 2-norm difference we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2 &= \left\| (\mathbf{U}_1 \quad \mathbf{U}_2) \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_1^T \\ \mathbf{V}_2^T \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b} \right\|_2 \\ &= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_1^T \\ \mathbf{V}_2^T \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{U}_1^T \\ \mathbf{U}_2^T \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{b} \right\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

Then letting $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_1^T \\ \mathbf{V}_2^T \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{U}_1^T \\ \mathbf{U}_2^T \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$ we get,

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 z_1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2 \\
&= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 z_1 - c_1 \\ -c_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2 = \|\Sigma_1 z_1 - c_1\|_2 + \|-c_2\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

The first term in the sum which we can control. Setting it to zero we find,

$$\begin{aligned}
z_1 &= \Sigma_1^{-1} c_1 \\
\mathbf{V}_1^T \mathbf{x} &= \Sigma_1^{-1} \mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{b} \\
\mathbf{x} &= \mathbf{V}_1 \Sigma_1 \mathbf{U}_1^T \mathbf{b}
\end{aligned}$$

Which is just the pseudo inverse of A. For any choice of $z_2 \neq 0$ the L-2 norm would no longer be a minimum.