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EXERCISE CLASS: Linear regression

For i = 1, ..., n, we consider $y_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x_i = (x_{i,0}, ..., x_{i,p})^T \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}$ with $x_{i,0} = 1$. The OLS estimator is any coefficient vector $\hat{\theta}_n = (\hat{\theta}_{n,0}, ..., \hat{\theta}_{n,p})^T \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}$ such that

$$\hat{\theta}_n \in \underset{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}}{\operatorname{arg \, min}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - x_i^T \theta)^2. \qquad \frac{\chi_1 = (\chi_1, 0, \dots, \chi_{i,p})^T}{\chi_1^T = (\chi_1, 0, \dots, \chi_{i,p})}$$

With the notations

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^T \\ \vdots \\ x_n^T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,0} & \dots & x_{1,p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n,0} & \dots & x_{n,p} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (p+1)}, \qquad Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

We have

$$\hat{\theta}_n \in \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}} \|Y - X\theta\|. \tag{1}$$

Let $X = (1_n, \tilde{X})$ and introduce $\hat{\mu}_X = (\tilde{X}^T 1_n)/n$ and $\hat{\mu}_Y = (1_n^T Y)/n$. Define the centred version of Y and \tilde{X} , given by $Y_c = Y - 1_n \hat{\mu}_Y$ and $\tilde{X}_c = \tilde{X} - 1_n \hat{\mu}_X^T$, respectively. Consider the following alternative procedure:

$$\hat{\theta}_{n,c} = \underset{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p}{\arg \min} \| Y_c - \tilde{X}_c \theta \|, \tag{2}$$

for which, the predictor at $\tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ is given by $\hat{\mu}_Y + (\tilde{x} - \hat{\mu}_X)^T \hat{\theta}_{n,c}$.

Exercise 1. Aim is to show that

$$\min_{\tilde{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^p} \|Y_c - \tilde{X}_c \tilde{\theta}\| = \min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}} \|Y - X\theta\|.$$

and, assuming that X has full rank, we have the following relationship between the traditional OLS and the OLS based on centred data,

$$\hat{\theta}_{n,0} = \hat{\mu}_Y - \hat{\mu}_X^T \hat{\theta}_{n,c}, \qquad (\hat{\theta}_{n,1}, \dots, \hat{\theta}_{n,p}) = \hat{\theta}_{n,c}^T.$$
 (3)

Consequently, the 2 methods give the same predictor.

- 1) Start by obtaining that the inequality \geqslant holds true.
- 2) Then show that for any sequence (z_i) , and for all $z \in \mathbb{R}$, it holds that $||Z z \mathbf{1}_n|| \ge ||Z \overline{z}^n \mathbf{1}_n||$, where $Z = (z_1, \ldots, z_n)$ and $\overline{z}^n = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i$.
- 3) Find \hat{a}_n such that, for any $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\tilde{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^p$, $\|Y \theta_0 \mathbf{1}_n \tilde{X}\tilde{\theta}\| \ge \|Y \hat{a}_n(\tilde{\theta})\mathbf{1}_n \tilde{X}\tilde{\theta}\|$.
- 4) Conclude that $\min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p} \|Y_c \tilde{X}_c \theta\| = \min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p, \, \theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}} \|Y X(\theta_0, \theta^T)^T\|$
- 5) Use the Lebesgue projection theorem to conclude that whenever $ker(X) = \{0\}$, we have (3).

Exercise 2 (on-line ols and cross-validation). The goal of this exercise is to show that the OLS estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$ associated with design matrix $X_{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (p+1)}$ and output $y_{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ can be easily updated when a new pair of observation $(x_{n+1}^T, y_{n+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{(p+1)} \times \mathbb{R}$ is given. We apply the result to cross validation procedure in the end.

To clarify the notation:

$$X_{(n+1)} = \begin{pmatrix} X_{(n)} \\ \boldsymbol{x}_{n+1}^T \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n+1)\times(p+1)}, \quad and \quad \boldsymbol{y}_{(n+1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{y}_{(n)} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

We assume from now on that $X_{(n)}$ and $X_{(n+1)}$ are full column rank (i.e., the columns of each matrix are independent vectors).

NB: Some of the questions require some computation (in particular obtaining (4) and (6)). Even if you could not prove it, it can be use later.

1) Let A, B, C, D be matrices with respective sizes (d, d), (d, k), (k, k), (k, d). Show that if A and C are invertible, then

$$(A + BCD)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(DA^{-1}B + C^{-1})^{-1}DA^{-1}.$$
 (4)

2) Obtain that

$$(X_{(n+1)}^T X_{(n+1)})^{-1} = (X_{(n)}^T X_{(n)})^{-1} - \frac{\zeta_{n+1} \zeta_{n+1}^T}{1 + b_{n+1}}$$
(5)

where $\zeta_{n+1} = (X_{(n)}^T X_{(n)})^{-1} x_{n+1}$ and $b_{n+1} = x_{n+1}^T (X_{(n)}^T X_{(n)})^{-1} x_{n+1}$.

- 3) Express $X_{(n+1)}^T y_{(n+1)}$ with respect to $X_{(n)}^T y_{(n)}$ and $y_{n+1} x_{n+1}$.
- 4) Show that the OLS estimator $\hat{\theta}_{n+1}$ associated with design matrix $X_{(n+1)}$ and output $y_{(n+1)}$ can be obtained as follows:

$$\hat{\theta}_{n+1} = \hat{\theta}_n + \frac{u_{n+1}}{1 + b_{n+1}} \zeta_{n+1},\tag{6}$$

where $u_{n+1} = y_{n+1} - x_{n+1}^T \hat{\theta}_n$.

- 5) Keeping in memory $(X_{(n)}^T X_{(n)})^{-1}$ and $\hat{\theta}_n$, explain how to update $\hat{\theta}_{n+1}$ using a minimal number of operations of the kind: matrix (p+1,p+1) times vector (p+1,1). How many such operation are needed?
- 6) Using Equation (5) above, show that

$$1 + b_{n+1} = \frac{1}{1 - h_{n+1}}$$

where $h_{n+1} = x_{n+1}^T (X_{(n+1)}^T X_{(n+1)})^{-1} x_{n+1}$.

7) The prediction of y_{n+1} given by the model is $\hat{y}_{n+1} := x_{n+1}^T \hat{\theta}_{n+1}$. With the following formula

$$\hat{y}_{n+1} = \boldsymbol{x}_{n+1}^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n + \frac{u_{n+1} b_{n+1}}{1 + b_{n+1}}.$$

prove that

$$y_{n+1} - \hat{y}_{n+1} = u_{n+1}(1 - h_{n+1}).$$

8) Given some data (y, X), leave-one-out cross-validation consists in computing the risk

$$R_{cv} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - x_i^T \hat{\theta}_{(-i)})^2$$

where $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{(-i)}$ is the OLS estimator based on $(\boldsymbol{y}_{(-i)}, X_{(-i)})$, i.e., the data (\boldsymbol{y}, X) without the i-th line. Applying what have been done so far, show that

$$R_{cv} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 / (1 - \hat{h}_i)^2,$$

with $\hat{h}_i = x_i^T (X^T X)^{-1} x_i$ and $\hat{y}_i = x_i^T \hat{\theta}_n$, $\hat{\theta}_n$ being the OLS estimator of (y, X).