

1. We have two absolutely identical preliminary standardized regressors  $x$  and  $\hat{x}$ . The dependent variable  $y$  is centered.

In the ridge regression one minimizes the loss function

$$\text{loss}(\hat{\beta}) = (y - \hat{y})^T(y - \hat{y}) + \lambda \hat{\beta}^T \hat{\beta}, \quad \hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_1 x + \hat{\beta}_2 \hat{x}.$$

- (a) Find the optimal  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\beta}_2$  for fixed  $\lambda$ .
- (b) What happens to the estimates when  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ ?
- (c) What happens to the sum  $\hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2$  when  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ ?

a)  $\min_{\beta} \text{loss}(\beta) = (y - \hat{y})^T(y - \hat{y}) + \lambda \hat{\beta}^T \hat{\beta} \quad ; \quad \hat{y} = X \hat{\beta} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & x_m \end{bmatrix}_{[n:2]} \times \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 \end{bmatrix}_{[2:1]}$

$$\frac{\partial \text{loss}(\hat{\beta})}{\partial \hat{\beta}} = 2(y - X \hat{\beta})^T d(y - X \hat{\beta}) + 2\lambda \hat{\beta}^T d\hat{\beta} = [-2(y - X \hat{\beta})^T X + 2\lambda \hat{\beta}^T] d\hat{\beta} = 0 \quad | \text{ apply operator of transposition}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda \hat{\beta}^T = X^T(y - X \hat{\beta}) = X^T y - X^T X \hat{\beta} \rightarrow (I - X^T X) \hat{\beta} = X^T y$$

$$\hat{\beta}^* = (I - X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

b)  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\beta}^* = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} (I - X^T X)^{-1} X^T y = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \text{multicollinearity would be reduced with high } \lambda.$

c)  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \hat{\beta}^* = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} (I - X^T X)^{-1} X^T y = \beta^{\text{OLS}} \quad \Rightarrow \text{The sum will produce some constant, which depends on } y$

2. Consider the model  $y = X\beta + u$  where  $\beta$  is non-random,  $\mathbb{E}(u | X) = 0$ , the matrix  $X$  of size  $n \times k$  has rank  $X = k$ , but  $\text{Var}(u | X) = \sigma^2 W$  with  $W \neq I$ . Let  $\hat{\beta}$  be the standard OLS estimator of  $\beta$ .

- (a) Find  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta} | X)$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta})$ .
- (b) Find  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta} | X)$ .
- (c) How do you think, will the standard confidence interval for  $\beta$  be valid in this case?
- (d) Find  $\text{Cov}(y, \hat{\beta} | X)$ .

a)  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta} | X) = \mathbb{E}((X^T X)^{-1} X^T y | X) = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbb{E}(X\beta + u | X) = \underbrace{(X^T X)^{-1} X^T X}_{I} \beta + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}(u | X)}_{\text{const}} = \beta$

$$\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}) = \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta} | X)) = \beta$$

b)  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta} | X) = \text{Var}((X^T X)^{-1} X^T y | X) = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \text{Var}(y | X) X (X^T X)^{-1} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \text{Var}(X\beta + u | X) X (X^T X)^{-1} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \sigma^2 W X (X^T X)^{-1} = \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1} X^T W X (X^T X)^{-1}$

c) Without a doubt, standard CI is invalid due to heteroscedasticity ( $\text{Var}(u | X) = \sigma^2 W$ ,  $W \neq I$ ), errors may be correlated.

d)  $\text{Cov}(y, \hat{\beta} | X) = \text{Cov}(y, (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y | X) = \text{Cov}(y, y | X) (X^T X)^{-1} X^T = \text{Var}(y | X) (X^T X)^{-1} X^T = \sigma^2 W (X^T X)^{-1} X^T$

3. Consider the matrix

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Find the matrix  $X^T X$  and diagonalize it.

(b) Find the SVD of  $X$ .

(c) Find the best approximation to  $X$  with rank equal to 1.

Remark: in the principal component analysis the variables in the matrix  $X$  should be standardized. If you can't do this by bare hands, feel free to use python, but provide code!

a)  $X^T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$X^T X = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 \\ 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = A$$

Diagonalization:

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 6-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 6-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 35 - 12\lambda + \lambda^2 = 0 \iff (\lambda-5)(\lambda-7) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 5; \lambda_2 = 7 \rightarrow D' = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}; V_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

b) SVD for  $X$ :  $X = U \cdot D \cdot V^T$  s.t.  $U^T U = I$   $V^T V = I$

$$D' = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{orthogonal} \\ \text{diagonal} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{orthogonal} \\ \text{rotating} \end{matrix}$$

$$X^T X = V D'^T U^T U D V^T = V D'^T D V^T$$

$$\det(X^T X - \lambda I) = (\lambda-5)(\lambda-7) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} & \xrightarrow{\text{normalization}} & V_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ V_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} & & V_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow V = \begin{pmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \\ D = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{5} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{5} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$XV = U \cdot D \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{5} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{5} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1/\sqrt{3} & 3/\sqrt{2} \\ 3/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 2/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/\sqrt{14} & 3/\sqrt{10} \\ 3/\sqrt{14} & 1/\sqrt{10} \\ 0 & 2/\sqrt{10} \end{pmatrix} = U$$

4. The columns of  $X$  are standardized. You know the SVD of the matrix  $X = UDV^T$ . The diagonal elements of  $D$  are positive and ordered from highest to lowest,  $d_{11} > d_{22} > \dots > 0$ .

Let's maximize  $\|Xw\|^2$  by choosing an optimal vector  $w$  subject to  $\|w\|^2 = 1$ .

- (d) Write the Lagrangian function for this problem.
- (e) Find the first order conditions. Differential is your friend!
- (f) Find the optimal  $w$  in terms of columns of  $V$ .

Hint: one may interpret the FOC in terms of eigenvalues and eigenvectors!

$$a) \quad \begin{cases} \|Xw\|^2 \rightarrow \max_w \\ \text{s.t. } \|w\|^2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \|Xw\|^2 - \lambda [\|w\|^2 - 1] = \|UDV^Tw\|^2 - \lambda [\|w\|^2 - 1]$$

$$b) \quad \text{FOC: } d((UDV^Tw)(UDV^Tw)^T) - \lambda d(ww^T) = 2(UDV^Tw)^T d(UDV^Tw) - 2\lambda w^T dw = \\ = 2w^T V D^T U^T U D V^T dw - 2\lambda w^T dw = 2w^T dw - 2\lambda w^T dw = 2w^T dw(1-\lambda) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \lambda = 1, \sum w_i = 1 \text{ (from the constraint)}$$

$$c) \quad w = V^Tw \rightarrow w = Vw \\ \text{FOC: } d(UDw)(UDw)^T - \lambda d(Vw) = 2(UDw)^T d(UDw) - \lambda V d w = \\ = 2w^T D^T U^T U D dw - \lambda V dw = 2w^T dw - \lambda V dw = 0 \\ \rightarrow 2w^T = \lambda V \rightarrow w^T = \frac{\lambda V}{2}$$

$$w^T = w^T V = \frac{\lambda V}{2} \rightarrow w^T = \frac{\lambda}{2} V V^{-1}$$