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Problem 1: Python and NumPy Warm-up Exercises

Please refer to ***homework1_template.py*** for solutions of 1(a) to 1(n).

Problem 2: Linear Regression via Analytical Solution

a. Age Regressor:

- We have implemented linear regression via analytical solution using linear algebraic operations in NumPy. Find the methods `linear_regression` and `train_age_regressor` in `homework1_template.py`.
 - Note: Before running the script, please include the datasets in the same folder.
- Analytical Solution to obtain the weights (w):

$$f_{\text{MSE}}(y; \hat{y}; w) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (g(x^{(i)}; w) - y^{(i)})^2$$
$$= \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x^{(i)T} w - y^{(i)})^2$$

→ Solving for w

$$\nabla_w f_{\text{MSE}}(y; \hat{y}; w) = \nabla_w \left[\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x^{(i)T} w - y^{(i)})^2 \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla_w [(x^{(i)T} w - y^{(i)})^2]$$
$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} (x^{(i)T} w - y^{(i)})$$

→ By setting to 0, splitting the sum apart, & solving, we reach the solution:

$$\nabla_w f_{\text{MSE}}(y; \hat{y}; w) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x^{(i)} (x^{(i)T} w - y^{(i)})$$

$$0 = \sum_i x^{(i)} x^{(i)T} w - \sum_i x^{(i)} y^{(i)}$$

$$\sum_i x^{(i)} x^{(i)T} W = \sum_i x^{(i)} y^{(i)}$$

$$W = \left(\sum_i x^{(i)} x^{(i)T} \right)^{-1} \sum_i x^{(i)} y^{(i)}$$

$$\therefore W = (X X^T)^{-1} X y \quad (\text{where, } X \text{ is a design matrix})$$

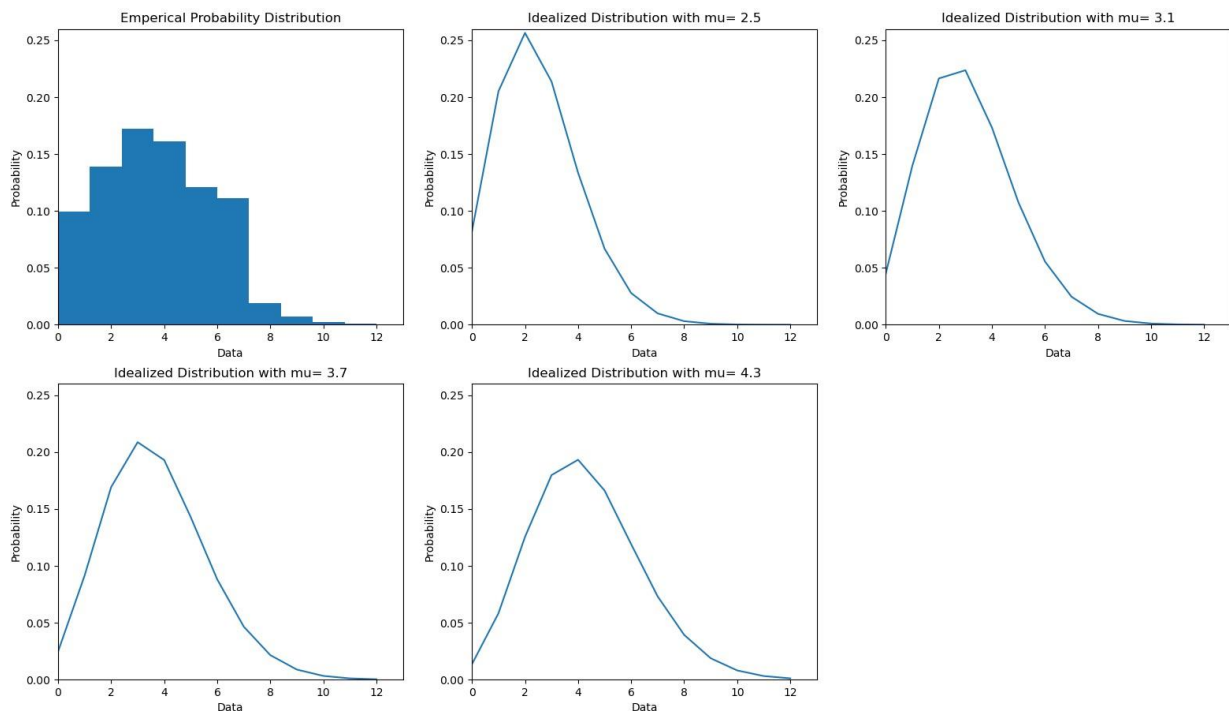
- After optimizing the weights on training set, we then computed the cost f_{MSE} on both testing and training dataset. The output is reported below:

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Training Loss: 50.46582283534778
Testing Loss: 268.7869643405511
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Problem 3: Probability Distributions

a. Estimating the Parameters of a Probability Distribution:

- We have plotted the empirical probability of the data in **PoissonX.npy**.
- Next, we plotted the probability distribution of a Poisson random variable with the following rate parameters: 2.5, 3.1, 3.7, and 4.3.
- The plots are as shown below:

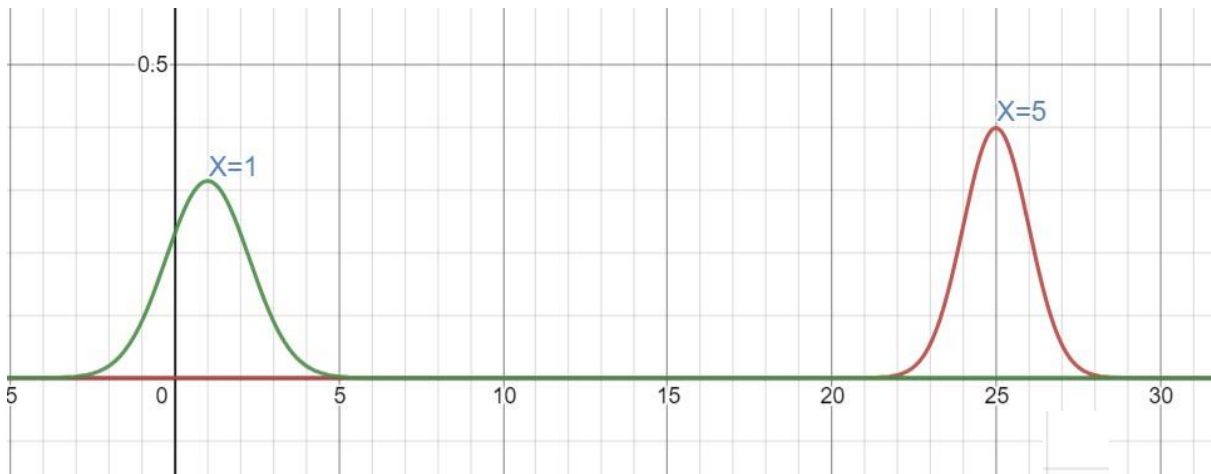


- Based on observations the parameter value of $\mu=3.7$ is most consistent with the data.

b. Conditional Probability Distributions to Represent the Uncertainty of Functions:

- The corresponding value of y tend to be larger for the values of x with large magnitude as mean of the given normal distribution varies according to x^2 . We can observe in the graph below that at $x=5$ the mean of distribution is 25 therefore indicating that y would be large.

- ii. The uncertainty in the corresponding value of y tend to be larger for the values of x with small magnitude. We can observe in the graph below that at $x=1$ the spread is more when compared to $x=5$. More spread indicates that the uncertainty is higher for lower value of x .



Problem 4: Proofs and Derivation

- a. Prove $\nabla_x(x^T a) = \nabla_x(a^T x) = a$

\rightarrow let x be a column vector $x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$
 let a be a column vector $a = [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n]^T$
 now,

$$x^T a = [x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n] \times \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^T a = (a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 x_3 + \dots + a_n x_n) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Similarly;

$$a^T x = [a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n] \times \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^T x = (a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 x_3 + \dots + a_n x_n) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

now, we know that;

$$\nabla_x f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

→ now, let us calculate, $\frac{\partial (x^T a)}{\partial x_1}$

$$\frac{\partial (x^T a)}{\partial x_1} = a_1 + 0 + 0 + \dots + 0$$

Similarly

$$\frac{\partial (x^T a)}{\partial x_2} = 0 + a_2 + \dots + 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial (x^T a)}{\partial x_n} = a_n$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\nabla_x (x^T a) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = a}$$

similarly;

$$\frac{\partial (a^T x)}{\partial x_1} = a_1 + 0 + 0 \dots 0$$

$$\frac{\partial (a^T x)}{\partial x_2} = 0 + a_2 + 0 \dots 0$$

$$\frac{\partial (a^T x)}{\partial x_n} = a_n$$

$$\therefore \nabla_x (a^T x) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = a$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\nabla_x (x^T a) = \nabla_x (a^T x) = a}$$

b. Prove $\nabla_x (x^T A x) = (A + A^T)x$

→ Prove that: $\nabla_x (x^T A x) = (A + A^T)x$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

let us represent A as $\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$ or $[b_1 \ b_2 \ \dots \ b_n]$

where, $a_1 \dots a_n$ are the rows of A .
where, $b_1 \dots b_n$ are the columns of A .

So, we can represent Ax as $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 x \\ a_2 x \\ \vdots \\ a_n x \end{bmatrix}$

→ now;

$$\begin{aligned} x^T A x &= x^T [a_1 x \ a_2 x \ \dots \ a_n x]^T \\ &= x_1 a_1 x + x_2 a_2 x \ \dots \ x_n a_n x \end{aligned}$$

where, $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$

→ now, let us take derivative for one component x_k .

$$\frac{\partial (x^T A x)}{\partial x_k}$$

$$\frac{\partial (x^T A x)}{\partial x_k} = a_k x + a_{1k} x_1 + a_{2k} x_2 + \dots$$

$$\dots a_{nk} x_n$$

$$= a_k x + \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ik} x_i$$

$$(\text{rows} \times x) \quad (\text{columns} \times x)$$

$$= a_k x + (b_k)^T x$$

$$\therefore \nabla_x (x^T A x) = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 x + (b_1)^T x \\ a_2 x + (b_2)^T x \\ \vdots \\ a_n x + (b_n)^T x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} a_1 x \\ a_2 x \\ \vdots \\ a_n x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} (b_1)^T x \\ (b_2)^T x \\ \vdots \\ (b_n)^T x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\begin{aligned} \nabla_x (x^T A x) &= A x + A^T x \\ &= (A + A^T) x \end{aligned}}$$

c. Prove $\nabla_x (x^T A x) = 2Ax$

Given A is symmetric $n \times n$ matrix

$$\therefore A = A^T$$

\therefore from (b) we know $\nabla_x (x^T A x) = (A + A^T)x$

$$\therefore A = A^T$$

$$\therefore \nabla_x (x^T A x) = 2A^T x = 2A x$$

Hence Proved //

d. Prove $\nabla_x ((Ax+b)^T (Ax+b)) = 2A^T (Ax+b)$

LHS $\therefore \nabla_x [(x^T A^T + b^T) (Ax + b)]$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla_x [x^T (A^T A) x + x^T (A^T b) + (b^T A) x + b^T b]$$

Let us consider $A^T A = K$ ($n \times n$ matrix)

$A^T b = a \rightarrow$ vector ($n \times 1$)

$b^T A = a^T$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla_x [x^T K x + x^T a + a^T x + b^T b]$$

$\therefore \nabla_x b^T b = 0, \nabla_x (x^T A x) = 2A x, \nabla_x (x^T a) = \nabla_x (a^T x) = a$

$$\Rightarrow 2Kx + a + a + 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A^T A x + 2A^T b \Rightarrow 2A^T (Ax + b) = \text{RHS} //$$

End Of Assignment