Homework 1 - Machine Learning

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1 Exercise 1

From OLS properties, we have:

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'(\beta X + \epsilon)$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'X\beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'\epsilon$$

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Since we have $(X'X)^{-1}X'X = I$, this could be reduced to

$$\hat{\beta} = \beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'\epsilon$$

The assumptions of OLS estimators say that $E(\epsilon) = 0$, and X and ϵ are independent, so in any case, we would have:

$$\hat{\beta} = \beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'\epsilon$$

$$E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta + E((X'X)^{-1}X')E(\epsilon)$$

$$E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta + 0 = \beta$$

as long as the assumptions are hold.

2 Exercise 2

Since 1 occurs n_1 times in your sample and 0 occurs $n-n_1$ times in the sample, we have $\bar{x} = \frac{1n_1+0(n-n_1)}{n} = \frac{n_1}{n}$. Keep in mind that $\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i) = n\bar{x}$, and similar for y, from general OLS properties, we have:

$$\hat{\beta}_{1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \bar{x})(y_{i} - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{1} - \bar{x})^{2}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}y_{i} - x_{i}\bar{y} - \bar{x}y_{i} + \bar{x}\bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}^{2} - 2x_{i}\bar{x} + \bar{x}^{2})}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}y_{i}) - n\bar{x}\bar{y} - \bar{x}n\bar{y} + n\bar{x}\bar{y}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}^{2}) - n\bar{x}^{2}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}y_{i}) - n\bar{x}\bar{y}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i}^{2}) - n\bar{x}^{2}}$$

Since x_i is either 0 or 1, we can easily see that $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i) = n_1$. If we call $\bar{y}_{x=1}$ and $\bar{y}_{x=0}$ as mean of y when x=1 and x=0 respectively, we can see that $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i y_i) = n_1 \bar{y}_{x=1}$. We then have:

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{n_1 \bar{y}_{x=1} - n_1 \bar{y}}{n_1 - n_1 \frac{n_1}{n}} = \frac{n_1 \bar{y}_{x=1} - n_1 \frac{n_1 \bar{y}_{x=1} + (n - n_1) \bar{y}_{x=0}}{n}}{n_1 - n_1 \frac{n_1}{n}}$$
$$= \frac{\left(\frac{n - n_1}{n}\right) \left(\bar{y}_{x=1} - \bar{y}_{x=0}\right)}{\left(\frac{n - n_1}{n}\right)} = \bar{y}_{x=1} - \bar{y}_{x=0}$$

We have

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} = \frac{n_1 \bar{y}_{x=1} + (n - n_1) \bar{y}_{x=0}}{n} - (\bar{y}_{x=1} - \bar{y}_{x=0}) \frac{n_1}{n}$$
$$= (\bar{y}_{x=1} - \bar{y}_{x=0}) \frac{n_1}{n} - (\bar{y}_{x=1} - \bar{y}_{x=0}) \frac{n_1}{n} + \bar{y}_{x=0} = \bar{y}_{x=0}$$

3 Exercise 3

We have:

$$Correl[y, \hat{y}] = \frac{Cov(y, \hat{y})}{\sqrt{var(y)var(\hat{y})}}$$

$$Thus,$$

$$Correl[y, \hat{y}]^2 = \frac{Cov(y, \hat{y})^2}{var(y)var(\hat{y})}$$

We also have $y = \hat{y} + \epsilon$, so:

$$Correl[y, \hat{y}]^2 = \frac{Cov(\hat{y} + \epsilon, \hat{y})^2}{var(y)var(\hat{y})} = \frac{(Cov(\hat{y}, \hat{y}) + (Cov(\hat{y}, \epsilon))^2}{var(y)var(\hat{y})}$$

By OLS assumptions, $Cov(\hat{y}, \epsilon) = 0$, so:

$$Correl[y, \hat{y}]^{2} = \frac{Cov(\hat{y}, \hat{y})^{2}}{var(y)var(\hat{y})} = \frac{var(\hat{y})^{2}}{var(y)var(\hat{y})} = \frac{var(\hat{y})}{var(y)}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(\hat{y}_{i} - \bar{y}_{i})}{\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(y_{i} - \bar{y}_{i})}$$

We have $\hat{y}_i = \bar{y}_i$, so,

$$Correl[y, \hat{y}]^2 = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}_i)}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \bar{y}_i)} = ESS/TSS = R^2$$

4 Exercise 4

We can transform the given function to Matrix form as:

$$RSS(\beta, \lambda) := (y - X\beta')(y - X\beta) + \lambda\beta\beta'$$

Taking the first derivative for minimization, we have:

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta\beta}RSS(\beta,\lambda) := 2X'X\beta - 2X'y + 2\beta\lambda = 0$$
$$2(X'X)\beta + 2\lambda\beta = 2X'y$$
$$X'X\beta + I\lambda\beta = X'y$$

Thus, we can derive $\beta^{\hat{ridge}}$ as $\beta^{\hat{ridge}} = (X'X + \lambda I)^{-1}X'y$.