

Linear Regression - Probabilistic Version

Model: $y_n = w^T x_n$

Prob. view: $y_n = w^T x_n + \epsilon_n$
 $\epsilon_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$

$$\text{i.e. } P(y, x | w) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \right)^D \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - wx)^2}$$

MLB: $P(X=(x,y) | w) = \prod_n P(y_n, x_n | w)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial w} = 0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \log \prod_n \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \right)^{D/2} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - wx)^2} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \sum_n \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - wx)^2 \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \right)^{D/2} \\ 0 &= \sum_n (y - wx)^2 \Rightarrow \text{LSE.} \end{aligned}$$

MAP: $P(w) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2)$

$$\mathcal{L} = P(w | X) = \frac{P(X | w) P(w)}{P(X)}$$

$\arg\max_w \mathcal{L} = \arg\max_w (\log P(X | w) + \log P(w))$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial w} = 0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_n (y - wx)^2 \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \log \left(\frac{1}{\tau^2} e^{-\frac{w^2}{2\tau^2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_n (y - wx)^2 \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \frac{w^2}{2\tau^2}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_n (y - wx)^2 - \frac{w^2}{2\tau^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{LSE} + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2} \|w\|^2$$

!! Ridge!