

Assignment-1(Linear Regression)

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In this document we'll describe the equations for forward and backward passes in a succinct format.

1 Forward Pass

The forward pass for the linear regression looks like:

$$Y_{[n \times 1]} = X_{[n \times f]} \theta_{[f \times 1]} \quad (1)$$

where Y is the predicted values for the input data X and θ is the parameter/weight vector. The dimensions of the elements are in terms of n : the number of data points and f : length of feature for each data point. We'll use $\hat{Y}_{[n \times 1]}$ to represent the actual values corresponding to the data points x .

The loss function which we optimize is:

$$J = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \quad (2)$$

2 Backward Pass

The gradient descent update equation is given by:

$$\theta := \theta - \eta \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta} \quad (3)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_f \end{bmatrix} - \eta \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_f} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, we know the fact that if $f(x, y)$ is a function. Also $x(W)$ and $y(W)$ are functions of W , then

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial W} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial W} \quad (4)$$

In a similar way,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_j} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial J}{\partial y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial \theta_j} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial \theta_j}\end{aligned}\tag{5}$$

From the Equation(1), we have $y_i = \sum_{j=1}^f x_{ij} \theta_j$.

Using this in Equation(5), we get :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_j} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) x_{ij} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \begin{bmatrix} x_{1j} & x_{2j} & \cdots & x_{nj} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - \hat{y}_1 \\ y_2 - \hat{y}_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \hat{y}_n \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}\tag{6}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1f} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2f} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{nf} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - \hat{y}_1 \\ y_2 - \hat{y}_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \hat{y}_n \end{bmatrix}\tag{7}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta} = \frac{1}{n} X^T \cdot (Y - \hat{Y})\tag{8}$$

Hence Equation(3) becomes:

$$\theta := \theta - \eta \frac{1}{n} X^T \cdot (Y - \hat{Y})\tag{9}$$

This ends our discussion on backward and forward pass.