# 04\_homework\_linear\_regression

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## 1 Programming assignment 4: Linear regression

#### 1.1 Your task

In this notebook code skeleton for performing linear regression is given. Your task is to complete the functions where required. You are only allowed to use built-in Python functions, as well as any numpy functions. No other libraries / imports are allowed.

### 1.2 Load and preprocess the data

I this assignment we will work with the Boston Housing Dataset. The data consists of 506 samples. Each sample represents a district in the city of Boston and has 13 features, such as crime rate or taxation level. The regression target is the median house price in the given district (in \$1000's).

More details can be found here: http://lib.stat.cmu.edu/datasets/boston

#### 1.3 Task 1: Fit standard linear regression

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In [2]: def fit_least_squares(X, y):
    """Fit ordinary least squares model to the data.

Parameters
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X: array, shape [N, D]
    (Augmented) feature matrix.
y: array, shape [N]
    Regression targets.

Returns
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w: array, shape [D]
    Optimal regression coefficients (w[0] is the bias term).
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            X_XTranspose_product=np.dot(np.transpose(X),X);
            X_XTranspose_product_as_matrix=np.asmatrix(X_XTranspose_product);
            X_XTranspose_product_inverse=X_XTranspose_product_as_matrix.getI();
            X_XTranspose_product_inverse_asndarray = np.squeeze(np.asarray(X_XTranspose_product_
            w=np.dot(X_XTranspose_product_inverse_asndarray,np.dot(np.transpose(X),y));
1.4 Task 2: Fit ridge regression
In [3]: def fit_ridge(X, y, reg_strength):
            """Fit ridge regression model to the data.
            Parameters
            _____
            X : array, shape [N, D]
                (Augmented) feature matrix.
            y : array, shape [N]
                Regression targets.
            reg\_strength: float
                L2 regularization strength (denoted by lambda in the lecture)
            Returns
            _____
            w : array, shape [D]
                Optimal regression coefficients (w[0] is the bias term).
            X_size=np.shape(X);
            lambda_plus_X_XTranspose=np.add(np.multiply(reg_strength,np.identity(X_size[1])),np.
            lambda_plus_X_XTranspose_as_matrix=np.asmatrix(lambda_plus_X_XTranspose);
            lambda_plus_X_XTranspose_inverse=lambda_plus_X_XTranspose_as_matrix.getI();
            lambda_plus_X_XTranspose_inverse_asndarray = np.squeeze(np.asarray(lambda_plus_X_XTr
            w=np.dot(lambda_plus_X_XTranspose_inverse_asndarray,np.dot(np.transpose(X),y));
            return w;
1.5 Task 3: Generate predictions for new data
In [4]: def predict_linear_model(X, w):
            """Generate predictions for the given samples.
            Parameters
            _____
```

X : array, shape [N, D]

w : array, shape [D]

(Augmented) feature matrix.

Regression coefficients.

```
Returns
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y_pred : array, shape [N]
    Predicted regression targets for the input data.
"""
y_pred=np.dot(X,w);
return y_pred
```

#### 1.6 Task 4: Mean squared error

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In [5]: def mean_squared_error(y_true, y_pred):
            """Compute mean squared error between true and predicted regression targets.
            Reference: `https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mean_squared_error`
            Parameters
            _____
            y_true : array
                True regression targets.
            y\_pred : array
                Predicted regression targets.
            Returns
            _____
            mse : float
                Mean squared error.
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            y_true_size=np.shape(y_true);
            mse=np.sum(np.power(np.subtract(y_pred,y_true),2))/y_true_size[0];
            return mse;
```

#### 1.7 Compare the two models

The reference implementation produces \* MSE for Least squares  $\approx$  23.98 \* MSE for Ridge regression  $\approx$  21.05

You results might be slightly (i.e.  $\pm 1\%$ ) different from the reference soultion due to numerical reasons.

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w_ls = fit_least_squares(X_train, y_train)
y_pred_ls = predict_linear_model(X_test, w_ls)
mse_ls = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_ls)
print('MSE for Least squares = {0}'.format(mse_ls))

# Ridge regression
reg_strength = 1
w_ridge = fit_ridge(X_train, y_train, reg_strength)
y_pred_ridge = predict_linear_model(X_test, w_ridge)
mse_ridge = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred_ridge)
print('MSE for Ridge regression = {0}'.format(mse_ridge))
MSE for Least squares = 23.984307611777403
MSE for Ridge regression = 21.051487033772723
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