## STAT4001 Data Mining and Statistical Learning

## Homework 2

## Due on Nov.13 (Friday)

## **Instructions:**

- Please write down detailed calculations and derivations to receive credits.
- Please include all the R codes and outputs (including numerical values, plots and so on) in your homework as **pdf form**. You may use R markdown to summarize, or you can simply print screen for ALL R codes and outputs.
- Please submit **only one single pdf file** through blackboard by 5pm on the date the assignment is due. We will only grade ONE pdf file, so please compress ALL your answers (derivations, R codes, outputs and so on) into ONE pdf file.
- File formats other than pdf form (both for the written part and R code, output part) will NOT be graded. Re-submission may be treated as late submission with partial marks deducted.
- 1. (15 marks) Ridge regression v.s. Least squares

Given data  $(y_i, x_i)_{i=1,\dots,n}$ ,  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$ , where  $\epsilon_i \stackrel{i.i.d}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $(x_i)_{i=1,\dots,n}$  is known

Least square estimate  $(\hat{\beta}_0^{LS}, \hat{\beta}_1^{LS}) = \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2$ . Ridge regression  $(\hat{\beta}_0^{Ridge}, \hat{\beta}_1^{Ridge}) = \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2 + \lambda \beta_1^2$ .

- (a) Show that the least square estimate is unbiased by showing  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}_0^{LS}) = \beta_0$  and  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}_1^{LS}) = \beta_0$  $\beta_1$ .
- (b) Show that the ridge regression estimate is biased by calculating  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}_0^{Ridge})$  and  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}_1^{Ridge})$ .

Hint: You may directly use some derivations in the lecture.

- 2. (20 marks) Invariant of linear regression to scaling, but not ridge regression without standardization
  - (a) Consider the following data set: y = (2.2, 3.3, 3.8), x = (1, 2, 3). Fit  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$ .

- i. Calculate least square parameter estimates  $\hat{\beta}_0^{LS}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1^{LS}$  and ridge regression parameter estimates  $\hat{\beta}_0^{Ridge}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1^{Ridge}$  with  $\lambda=1$ .
- ii. Calculate  $\hat{y}^{LS}$  and  $\hat{y}^{Ridge}$  for x.
- (b) Consider the data set in (a) with x' = 10x, i.e. x' = (10, 20, 30).
  - i. Calculate least square parameter estimates  $\hat{\beta}_0^L$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1^L$  and ridge regression parameter estimates  $\hat{\beta}_0^R$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_0^R$  with  $\lambda = 1$ .
  - ii. Compare  $\hat{\beta}_0^R$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1^R$  in 2b(i) with  $\hat{\beta}_0^{Ridge}$  and  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_1^{Ridge}}{10}$  in 2a(i) which are without scaling, also compare  $\hat{\beta}_0^L$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1^L$  2b(i) with  $\hat{\beta}_0^{LS}$  and  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_1^{LS}}{10}$  in 2a(i) for least square.
  - iii. Calculate  $\hat{y}^L$  and  $\hat{y}^R$  for x', and compare with 2a(ii).

(Note: You will see that scaling x will have an effect on  $\hat{y}$  for ridge regression, but not in least square)

Hint: You may directly use some derivations in the lecture.

- 3. (15 marks) Cyclic coordinate descent for LASSO Given  $f(\beta_j) = a\beta_j^2 2b\beta_j + \lambda |\beta_j|$ , where  $a > 0, \lambda > 0$ . Show that when  $b < -\frac{\lambda}{2} < 0, \hat{\beta}_j = \frac{2b+\lambda}{2a}$  minimizes  $f(\beta_j)$ .
- 4. (35 marks) Variance and bias for Linear regression v.s. Ridge regression Fit the data with model  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$ , where  $\epsilon_i \stackrel{i.i.d}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$ . Least square parameter estimates:  $\hat{\beta}_0^{LS} = \bar{y} \hat{\beta}_1^{LS} \bar{x}$ , and  $\hat{\beta}_1^{LS} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \bar{x})y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \bar{x})^2}$  Ridge regression parameter estimates:  $\hat{\beta}_0^{Ridge} = \bar{y} \hat{\beta}_1^{Ridge} \bar{x}$ , and  $\hat{\beta}_1^{Ridge} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \bar{x})y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \bar{x})^2 + \lambda}$  For a new point  $x_0$ , calculate bias and variance for
  - (a) Linear regression
  - (b) Ridge regression

Where  $bias^2 = [\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_0 - \mathbb{E}(\hat{y}_0)]^2$  and  $variance = \mathbb{E}[\hat{y}_0 - \mathbb{E}(\hat{y}_0)]^2$ .

(Note: You will see that compared with linear regression, the bias<sup>2</sup> for ridge is larger, but the variance is smaller. At high dimensional setting, ridge regression (and lasso) will be better because of the smaller variance.)

Hint: You may directly use some derivations in the lecture.

$$Var(A + B) = Var(A) + Var(B) + 2cov(A, B)$$

 $Var(\alpha A) = \alpha^2 Var(A)$ , where  $\alpha$  is a scalar.

5. (15 marks) R code exercise

- (a) Use the rnorm() function to generate a predictor X of length  $n=100, \ \mu_X=0, \ \sigma_X=1,$  as well as a noise vector  $\epsilon$  of length  $n=100, \ \mu_\epsilon=0, \ \sigma_\epsilon=0.1.$
- (b) Generate a response vector Y of length n=100 according to the model  $Y=1+X+X^2+X^3+\epsilon$ .
- (c) Fit a lasso model to the simulated data, using  $X, X^2, ..., X^{10}$  as predictors. Use cross-validation to select the optimal value of  $\lambda$ . Create plots of the cross-validation error (i.e. Mean-Square error v.s.  $log(\lambda)$ ) as a function of  $\lambda$ . Report the resulting coefficient estimates.
- (d) Now re-generate a response vector Y according to the new model  $Y = 1 + X^7 + \epsilon$ . Again, re-fit a lasso model using  $X, X^2, ..., X^{10}$  as predictors. Use cross-validation to select the optimal value of  $\lambda$ . Create plots of the cross-validation error (i.e. Mean-Square error v.s.  $log(\lambda)$ ) as a function of  $\lambda$ . Report the resulting coefficient estimates.

(Note: You will see that when the true data-generating model is sparser, cross-validation tends to select a sparser model.)

Hint: You may refer to the tutorial notes 'Tutorial05'.

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