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**Abstract**—This manual introduces various methods in supervised learning.

#### 1 LEAST SQUARES METHOD

1.1 The Steinhart–Hart equation is a model of the resistance of a thermistor at different temperatures. The equation is given by

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = w_1 + w_2 \ln(R) + w_3 [\ln(R)]^3 \quad (1.1)$$

Let

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \ln(R_1) \\ [\ln(R_1)]^3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.2)$$

$$y_1 = \frac{1}{\tau_1} \quad (1.3)$$

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.4)$$

Show that

$$y_1 = \mathbf{a}_1^T \mathbf{w} \quad (1.5)$$

1.2 Suppose for  $n > 3$

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}, A^T = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \vdots & \mathbf{a}_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1.6)$$

show that

$$\mathbf{y} = A\mathbf{w} \quad (1.7)$$

1.3 For  $\tau = 10^\circ C - 100^\circ C$ , use the PT-100 resistance table to estimate  $\mathbf{w}$  using the relation

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A\mathbf{y} \quad (1.8)$$

1.4 Verify your result by finding the temperature when the resistance is  $175.86\Omega$ .

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