

Q1. [Multiple choices question]

(a) False

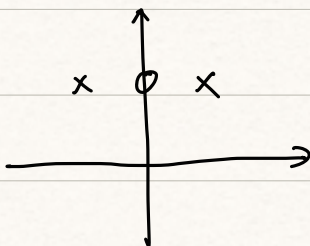
(b) False

Reason:  $\nabla J(w) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \Phi^T \Phi w = \Phi^T y$

$\rightarrow$  when  $\Phi^T \Phi$  is not invertible, then we may have infinitely many  $\hat{w}$

(c) False

Reason:



(d) False, should use validation set to tune the hyper-params and use test set to evaluate the model

(e) True

Q2. [linear basis regression]

$$\Phi := \begin{bmatrix} \phi(x_1)^T \\ \vdots \\ \phi(x_N)^T \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M} \quad w := \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ \vdots \\ w_{M-1} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

(a)  $\hat{w} = \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} R_{\text{emp}}(w)$

$$= \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2N} (\Phi w - y)^T (\Phi w - y)$$

$$= \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{w^T \Phi^T \Phi w - 2 w^T \Phi^T y}{2N} := J(w)$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{w} = \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} J(w)$ , which is an unconstrained optimization problem

① since  $\nabla_w J(w) = 2 \Phi^T \Phi w - 2 \Phi^T y$

$$\nabla_w^2 J(w) = 2 \Phi^T \Phi \succcurlyeq 0 \quad (\text{PSD})$$

then  $J(w)$  is convex (function) w.r.t  $w$

② for convex & differentiable function  $J(w)$ ,

$$\hat{w} = \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} J(w) \Leftrightarrow \nabla_w J(\hat{w}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 \Phi^T \Phi \hat{w} - 2 \Phi^T y = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \hat{w} = (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y$$

(given that  $\Phi^T \Phi$  is invertible)

(b) [Weighted Least Square]

$$\hat{w}_{\text{wls}} = \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} R_{\text{wls}}(w, a)$$

$$= \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum a_i (w^T \phi(x_i) - y_i)^2 \quad D(\Phi w - y) \cdot D$$

$$= \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} [D(\Phi w - y)]^T [D(\Phi w - y)] \quad \underline{D = \operatorname{diag}\{\sqrt{a_1}, \dots, \sqrt{a_N}\}}$$

$$= \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} (\Phi w - y)^T W (\Phi w - y) \quad \underline{W = \operatorname{diag}\{a_1, \dots, a_N\}}$$

$$= \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underline{w^T \Phi^T W \Phi w - 2 w^T \Phi^T W y} := J(w)$$

① since  $\nabla_w J(w) = 2 \Phi^T W \Phi w - 2 \Phi^T W y$

$$\nabla_w^2 J(w) = 2 \Phi^T W \Phi \succcurlyeq 0 \quad \underline{(\text{since } a_i > 0 \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, N)}$$

then  $J(w)$  is convex (function) w.r.t  $w$

② for convex & differentiable function  $J(w)$ ,

$$\hat{w}_{\text{wls}} = \underset{w \in \mathbb{R}^M}{\operatorname{argmin}} J(w) \Leftrightarrow \nabla_w J(\hat{w}_{\text{wls}}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 \Phi^T W \Phi \hat{w}_{\text{wls}} - 2 \Phi^T W y = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \hat{w}_{\text{wls}} = (\Phi^T W \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T W y$$



(given that  $\Phi^T \Phi$  is invertible)

### (c) [Application Scenario for WLS]

① When we have prior that some data points in dataset  $\mathcal{D}$  are outliers, we can assign low weights (small  $a_i$ ) to them

② Linear regression can be viewed as the Gaussian Model that

$$y \sim \text{Gaussian}(w^T \phi(x), \Sigma) \quad \text{where } \Sigma = \sigma^2 I. \quad \boxed{+ \text{MLE}}$$

↳ isotropic Gaussian

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$$y \sim \text{Gaussian}(w^T \phi(x), \Sigma) \quad \text{where } \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_N^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(a_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2})$$

$\boxed{+ \text{MLE}}$

→ from this perspective, we can take deviance of each data point into consideration:

↳ our confidence of each data

o for those data points we have more confidence (due to the observation error), we can assign small  $\sigma_i^2$  (large  $a_i$ ) to them;

o for those data points are more likely to be the noise, we can assign large  $\sigma_i^2$  (small  $a_i$ ) to them.

### Q3. [nearest-neighbour] → kNN with $k=1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } i(x) &= \underset{j \in [N]}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|x - x_j\|_2^2 = \underset{j \in [N]}{\operatorname{argmin}} \langle x - x_j, x - x_j \rangle \\ &= \underset{j \in [N]}{\operatorname{argmin}} \langle x_j, x_j \rangle - 2 \langle x, x_j \rangle \\ &= \underset{j \in [N]}{\operatorname{argmin}} \langle x_j - 2x, x_j \rangle \end{aligned}$$

b) feature map  $\phi: x \in \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto \phi(x) \in \mathbb{R}^M$ , denote  $K(x, y) = \langle \phi(x), \phi(y) \rangle$

$$\text{such that } \underset{j \in [N]}{\operatorname{argmin}} \| \phi(x) - \phi(x_j) \|_2^2 = \underset{j \in [N]}{\operatorname{argmin}} K(x_j - 2x, x_j)$$

# Q4. [LR]

(a) we have  $\mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i] = 0$   $\mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i^2] = \text{Var}[\varepsilon_i] + \mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i]^2 = \sigma^2$

$$\min_{w_0, w_1} \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N [w_0 + w_1 x_i - y_i + w_1 \varepsilon_i]^2 \right]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_{w_0, w_1} \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N [(w_0 + w_1 x_i - y_i)^2 + w_1^2 \varepsilon_i^2 + w_1 \varepsilon_i \cdot C_i] \right]$$

where  $C_i = 2(w_0 + w_1 x_i - y_i)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_{w_0, w_1} \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N [(w_0 + w_1 x_i - y_i)^2 + w_1^2 \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i^2]}_{\sigma^2} + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i]}_0 w_1 C_i]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_{w_0, w_1} \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (w_0 + w_1 x_i - y_i)^2 + \frac{w_1^2}{2} \sigma^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_{w_0, w_1} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \|Xw - y\|_2^2}_{\text{OLS}} + \underbrace{\frac{N\sigma^2}{2} w_1^2}_{\text{regularization on } w_1}$$

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \min_w \frac{1}{2} (w^T X^T X w - 2 w^T X^T y) + \frac{1}{2} w^T K w \quad K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \\ & N\sigma^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_w \frac{1}{2} w^T (X^T X + K) w - w^T X^T y := J(w)$$

$$\nabla J(w) = (X^T X + K) w - X^T y$$

$$\nabla^2 J(w) = X^T X + K \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{w} \in \underset{w}{\text{argmin}} J(w) \Leftrightarrow \nabla J(\hat{w}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \hat{w} = (X^T X + K)^{-1} X^T y$$

$\uparrow$   
if  $(X^T X + K)$  is invertible

(b) If  $\mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i] = b \neq 0$ , then  $\mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i^2] = \sigma^2 + b^2$

$$\min_{w_0, w_1} \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N [(w_0 + w_1 x_i - y_i)^2 + w_1^2 \mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i^2] + \mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_i] w_1 C_i]$$



where  $\tilde{C}_i = 2(W_0 + W_1 X_i - Y_i)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_w \frac{1}{2N} (Xw - y)^T (Xw - y) + \frac{1}{2} w^T (b^2 + b^2) + \frac{1}{N} \cdot b w_1 \sum_{i=1}^N (W_0 + W_1 X_i - Y_i)$$

$$\frac{1}{2N} (w^T X^T X w - 2 w^T X^T y) + \frac{1}{2N} w^T K w + \frac{2b}{2N} [w^T T_1 w - w^T T_2^T y]$$

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \\ & N(b^2 + b^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$w^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbb{1}^T (Xw - y)$$

$$= w^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} Xw - w^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_w \frac{1}{2} w^T X^T X w + \frac{1}{2} w^T K w + \frac{2b}{2} w^T T_1 w - w^T X^T y - \frac{2b}{2} w^T T_2^T y$$

$$:= J(w)$$

$\mathbb{R}^{2 \times N}$

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ N & \sum X_i \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

$$T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 2}$$

$$\begin{cases} \nabla J(w) = (X^T X + K + 2b T_1) w - (X + b T_2)^T y \\ \nabla^2 J(w) = X^T X + K + 2b T_1 \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $\nabla^2 J(w) \geq 0 \Rightarrow J(w)$  is convex on  $w$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{w} = \operatorname{argmin} J(w) \Leftrightarrow \nabla J(\hat{w}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \hat{w} = (X^T X + K + 2b T_1)^{-1} (X + b T_2)^T y$$

Conclusion: Minimization Problem changed. But we can still achieve

the closed-form solution under some assumption.

Q5. [RBF kernel]

$$k(x, y) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2s^2} \|x - y\|_2^2\right) \quad s > 0$$

Prove that  $k(\cdot, \cdot)$  is a valid kernel function.

[Pf]:  $\|x - y\|_2^2 = \|x\|_2^2 - 2x^T y + \|y\|_2^2$

$$\Rightarrow k(x, y) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2s^2} \|x\|_2^2\right) \exp\left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2s^2} \|y\|_2^2\right)$$

From Taylor Expansion,

$$\Rightarrow \exp\left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right)^n$$

Then, we can show that, RBF kernel  $K(\cdot, \cdot)$  is valid.

Reason can be shown as follows:

- ①  $K(x, y) = x^T y \rightarrow$  linear kernel, which is valid kernel
- ② use scaling property  $\Rightarrow k(x, y) = \frac{1}{s^2} x^T y$  is valid kernel
- ③ use product property  $\Rightarrow K_n(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right)^n$  is valid kernels
- ④ use scaling property  $\Rightarrow k_n(x, y) = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right)^n$  is valid kernels
- ⑤ use addition property  $\Rightarrow K_n(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right)^k$  is valid kernels
- ⑥ use limit property  $\Rightarrow K(x, y) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} K_n(x, y)$   
 $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right)^k$   
 $= \exp\left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right)$  is valid kernel

- ⑦ use normalization property

$$\Rightarrow K(x, y) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2s^2} \|x\|_2^2\right) \exp\left(\frac{1}{s^2} x^T y\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2s^2} \|y\|_2^2\right)$$

$$= \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2s^2} (\|x\|_2^2 - 2x^T y + \|y\|_2^2)\right]$$

$$= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2s^2} \|x - y\|_2^2\right) \text{ is valid kernel}$$

That is, RBF kernel is a valid kernel!

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