

Quiz 1

MACHINE LEARNING, SUMMER 2019

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Problem 1. (2 = .5 + .5 + 1 points.)

1a. Let say $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ be a vector containing n observations and $\mathbf{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ be vector of

ones of size n . is mean of x_1, \dots, x_n is given by $\frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{1}}{\mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{1}}$? (True/False) **True**

$$\therefore \frac{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{1}}{\mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{1}} = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{1 + 1 + \dots + 1 \text{ } n \text{ times}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{n}$$

1b. What is the support of binomial random variable with parameters N (Total trials) and p (probability of success). Recall by support, we mean the values taken by a random variable.

$$\text{Support binomial}(N, p) = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

1c. Let say $\mathbf{D} = [\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_k]$ be the matrix with k columns \mathbf{a}_i for $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$.

Let $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ be a vector. Write the expression for $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}$ (Matrix, vector product) using

\mathbf{a}_i (columns of matrix) and x_i (coordinates of vector \mathbf{x}).

$$\mathbf{D}\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i x_i \quad \text{Note there is a typo either } k=n \text{ or } n=k$$

both answers are ok

$$\text{or } \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i$$

Problem 2. (1 point) What do you understand by MAP (maximum a posteriori estimate) estimate. Just write one line to explain it.

MAP is mode of the posterior distribution (modeling parameters to be estimated)
or any other similar definition is ok