

# ML Written Homework 1

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## 1 Linear Algebra Recap

- (a) (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)  $\mathbf{A}$  is positive semi-definite implies  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric. Since  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric,  $\mathbf{A}$  is diagonalizable. Suppose  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$ , there are eigenvectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  such that  $\mathbf{A}v_k = \lambda_k v_k$ .

By the definition of positive semi-definite, we have

$$\langle \mathbf{A}v_k, v_k \rangle = \langle \lambda_k v_k, v_k \rangle = \lambda_k \|v_k\|^2 \geq 0$$

Hence, all eigenvalues  $\lambda_k \geq 0$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii)  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric and all of eigenvalues  $\lambda_k$  are non negative. Since  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric,  $\mathbf{A}$  is diagonalizable. That is, there are  $P, D$  such that  $\mathbf{A} = P^T D P$ , where  $D = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$ .

Since  $\lambda_k \geq 0$ , we can find  $e_k = \sqrt{\lambda_k}$  and  $E = \text{diag}(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n)$  so that  $D = E^2$ . Now we have

$$\mathbf{A} = P^T D P = P^T E E P = (P^T E)(E P) = (E P)^T (E P)$$

Hence,  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}$  where  $\mathbf{B} = E P$

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}$ , then we have

$$u^T \mathbf{A} u = u^T \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B} u = (\mathbf{B} u)^T (\mathbf{B} u) = \|\mathbf{B} u\|^2 \geq 0$$

for all  $u \in V$ . Hence,  $\mathbf{A}$  is positive semi-definite.

- (b) Note that  $\langle \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} x, x \rangle = \langle \mathbf{A} x, \mathbf{A} x \rangle = \|\mathbf{A} x\|^2 \geq 0$  for all  $x \in V$ . By (a),  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is positive semi-definite. Hence the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  are nonnegative.

- (c) For  $x \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$ , we have  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} x = 0$ , so that  $x \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$ .

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which implies  $\mathbf{A} x = 0$ . Hence  $x \in \text{Null}(\mathbf{A})$ . By the above, we can find that  $\text{Null}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{Null}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$ .

- (d)  $\langle \mathbf{A} v_i, \mathbf{A} v_j \rangle = \langle \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} v_i, v_j \rangle = \langle \lambda_i v_i, v_j \rangle = 0$  for any  $i \neq j$ . Hence  $\{\mathbf{A} v_1, \dots, \mathbf{A} v_r\}$  is an orthogonal set.

- (e) Suppose  $V$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix whose  $i$ -th column is  $v_i$ , then  $V$  is an orthogonal matrix where  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} = V D V^T$ . Let  $U$  be a  $m \times m$  matrix with its  $i$ -th column  $u_i$ , where  $u_i = \frac{\mathbf{A} v_i}{\sigma_i}$ , and  $\Sigma$  be a  $m \times n$  matrix with its diagonal entries  $\sigma_i$ .

Then we have the relation:

$$U \Sigma = \mathbf{A} V \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} = U \Sigma V^T$$

By (d),  $\{\mathbf{A} v_1, \dots, \mathbf{A} v_r\}$  is an orthogonal set, we have  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r\}$  is also an orthogonal set. Hence  $U$  is also an orthogonal matrix.

## 2 Definition of Derivative as Linear Operator

- (a) Suppose  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$ ,  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)^T$ .  $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a_i)^2}$ .

$$\frac{\partial \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a_i)^2}}{\partial x_k} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2(x_k - a_k)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a_i)^2}} = \frac{x_k - a_k}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|_2}$$

Then we have

$$\frac{\partial \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \left( \frac{x_1 - a_1}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|_2}, \dots, \frac{x_n - a_n}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|_2} \right)^T = \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{a}\|_2}$$

- (b) Suppose  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_m)^T$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)^T$ ,  $\mathbf{X} = (x_{ij})$ .

$$\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b} = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m a_i x_{ij} b_j$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b}}{\partial x_{ij}} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m a_i x_{ij} b_j}{\partial x_{ij}} = a_i b_j$$

Then we have

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b}}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{a} \mathbf{b}^T$$

- (c) Suppose  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T$ ,  $\mathbf{A} = (A_{ij})$ .

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i A_{ij} x_j$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\partial x_k} = \frac{\partial \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i A_{ij} x_j}{\partial x_k} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i A_{ik} + \sum_{j=1}^n A_{kj} x_j = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x})_k + (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x})_k$$

Hence, we have

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T) \mathbf{x}$$

### 3 Matrix Calculus

(a) We have  $\det(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n A_{ij} * C_{ij}$ , where  $C_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} M_{ij} = \text{adj}(\mathbf{A})_{ji}$ . Thus we have

$$\frac{\partial \det(\mathbf{A})}{\partial A_{ij}} = C_{ij} = \text{adj}(\mathbf{A})_{ji}$$

Hence,

$$\frac{\partial \det(\mathbf{A})}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = \text{adj}(\mathbf{A})^T = \det(\mathbf{A})(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T$$

(b) By chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial \log(\det(\mathbf{A}))}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = \frac{\partial \log(\det(\mathbf{A}))}{\partial \det(\mathbf{A})} \frac{\partial \det(\mathbf{A})}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = \frac{1}{\det(\mathbf{A})} \det(\mathbf{A})(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T = (\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T$$

### 4 Closed-Form Linear Regression Solution

(a) Suppose  $\mathbf{K} = \text{diag}(\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_m)$

$$\sum_i^m \kappa_i (y_i - \mathbf{X}_i \theta)^2 + \lambda \sum_j^m \omega_j^2 = (y - \mathbf{X}\theta)^T \mathbf{K} (y - \mathbf{X}\theta) + \lambda \theta^T \theta$$

The optimal solution happens when the gradient = 0

$$\frac{\partial (\sum_i^m \kappa_i (y_i - \mathbf{X}_i \theta)^2 + \lambda \sum_j^m \omega_j^2)}{\partial \theta} = -2\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{K} (y - \mathbf{X}\theta) + 2\lambda \mathbf{I} \theta = 0$$

This gives us

$$\theta^* = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{X} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{K} y$$

(b)

### 5 Noise and Regularization

(a)

$$\frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i + \eta_i) - y_i)^2 = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b - y_i + \mathbf{w}^T \eta_i)^2 \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i + \mathbf{w}^T \eta_i)^2 \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2 + (\mathbf{w}^T \eta_i)^2 + 2(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)(\mathbf{w}^T \eta_i) \quad (3)$$

Since expect value  $\mathbb{E}$  is linear, we can separate the formula into three part.

$$\mathbb{E}((f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2) = (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$$

$$\mathbb{E}((\mathbf{w}^T \eta_i)^2) = \sigma^2 \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

$$2(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)(\mathbf{w}^T \eta_i) = 2(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i) \sum_{j=1}^k w_j \eta_{i,j}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(2(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i) \sum_{j=1}^k w_j \eta_{i,j}) = 2(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i) \sum_{j=1}^k w_j \mathbb{E}(\eta_{i,j}) = 0$$

$$\tilde{L}(\mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbb{E}(\frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i + \eta_i) - y_i)^2)$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N ((f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2 + \sigma^2 \|\mathbf{w}\|^2) \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \quad (6)$$