



# Foundations of Machine Learning - Exercise (SS 25)

## Assignment 4: Ridge Regression, Correlation, and Classification Metrics

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**Submission is open until Monday, 19th of May, 12:00 noon.**

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## Task 1: Ridge Regression

In the lecture it was derived that linear regression minimizes the *mean squared error (MSE)* loss with the minimizer  $\mathbf{w}^* = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbf{y}$ . The idea of *ridge regression* is to augment the loss with an additional regularization term, the euclidean norm  $\|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2$  of the coefficients.

1. **Task** : Derive a closed-form solution to the loss  $\mathcal{L} = \|X\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2$ .
2. **Task** : The solution to a linear system  $Ax = b$ , with symmetric, positive definite  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  be solved in  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$  with a Cholesky decomposition. What is the computational complexity of training a linear regression with  $n$  datapoints of dimensionality  $d$ ?
3. **Task** : If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ ,  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$ ,  $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ , and  $A, C$  are invertible, then

$$(A + UCV)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}U(C^{-1} + VA^{-1}U)^{-1}VA^{-1},$$

which known as the *Woodbury Matrix identity*. Apply it to the solution of ridge regression.

4. **Task** Again, think about the computational complexity.
5. **Task** : What does a single entry  $(XX^T)_{ij}$  of the matrix represent?



## Task 2: Difference between Correlation and Covariance

Please see the attached Jupyter notebook.



## Task 3: Classification Metrics

### F-Score

1. **Task** What's the *minimum* and *maximum* possible  $F_1$ -score? Shortly describe a classifier that achieves that score in a binary classification task.
2. **Task** In the lecture we defined  $F_1 = \frac{2 \cdot \text{Prec} \cdot \text{Rec}}{\text{Prec} + \text{Rec}}$ . What's the  $F_1$  in case of  $\text{Prec} = \text{Rec} = 0$ ? (*Hint:  $\frac{0}{0}$  is not defined.*)
3. **Task** Let  $\mathcal{D}$  be a dataset with  $|\mathcal{D}| = n$ , two different classes ( $|\mathcal{Y}| = 2$ ) and  $|\{(x_i, y_i) \in \mathcal{D} | y_i = \text{positive}\}| = m$ .
  - What's the expected  $F_1$ -score ( $\mathbb{E}[F_1]$ ) of a classifier that uniformly picks a class at random?
  - What's the expected  $F_1$ -score of the former with  $n - m = m$ ?

### Confusion Matrices

Considering confusion matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{True Positives (TP)} & \text{False Negatives (FN)} \\ \text{False Positives (FP)} & \text{True Negatives (TN)} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Based on the following confusion matrices, which classifier would you choose? Justify your answer since there might not be a single valid decision in some scenarios. Would you choose the classifier with confusion matrix  $C_1$  or the classifier with  $C_2$  ...



(a) Cats and Dogs

(b) Trees

(c) Fire Detection

(d) Mushroom Soup

**Figure 1** Imagine the following scenarios for a machine-learned classifier. What is a desireable result?

1. **Task** ... for distinguishing cats and dogs?

$$C_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 250 & 0 \\ 0 & 250 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 125 & 125 \\ 125 & 125 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. **Task** ... for classifying a tree from its leafs?

$$C_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 250 \\ 250 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 125 & 125 \\ 125 & 125 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. **Task** ... for fire detection task? (positive class means fire present)

$$C_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 200 & 25 \\ 75 & 200 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 200 & 75 \\ 25 & 200 \end{pmatrix}$$



4. **Task** ...for deciding which mushrooms in the forest to pick for your soup? (positive class means edible)

$$C_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 200 & 25 \\ 75 & 200 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 200 & 75 \\ 25 & 200 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Task 4: Extended Confusion Matrices

Given a classifier predicts the following  $\hat{y}$  in a multi-class classification problem.

$\hat{y}$ (Predicted)	$y$ (Actual Label)
Apple	Apple
Apple	Apple
Orange	Grapes
Grapes	Grapes
Orange	Orange
Apple	Grapes
Orange	Orange
Grapes	Orange
Grapes	Grapes
Grapes	Grapes
Orange	Apple
Grapes	Grapes
Apple	Apple
Orange	Orange
Apple	Apple
Orange	Apple
Grapes	Grapes
Grapes	Grapes
Orange	Orange
Orange	Orange
Grapes	Apple
Grapes	Grapes
Apple	Orange
Orange	Orange
Apple	Apple

1. **Task** Fill in the confusion matrix.

		Predicted		
		apple	grapes	oranges
Actual	apple			
	grapes			
	oranges			

2. **Task** Fill in the precision, recall, and  $F_1$ -score per class.



Actual	Metrics		
	Precision	Recall	$F_1$
apple			
grapes			
oranges			

3. **Task** What's the overall  $F_1$ -score for the classifier with *micro-averaging*?
4. **Task** What's the overall  $F_1$ -score for the classifier with *macro-averaging*?