

In general

Optimal parameters to a model f :

$$\hat{b} = \arg \min_{b \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_f(X, b),$$

where for least squares regression

$$\rho_f(X, b) = [Y - f(X, b)]^2 \implies \frac{\partial \rho_f}{\partial b_j} = 2[y_i - f(X, b)] \cdot \frac{\partial f(X, b)}{\partial b_j}.$$

Squared function

Let f be $Q(X, b) = (b_0 + \sum_{j>0} b_j x_j)^2$:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial b_0} = 2(b_0 + \sum_{j>0} b_j x_j) &= 2\sqrt{Q(X, b)} \\ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial b_{j \neq 0}} = 2(b_0 + \sum_{j>0} b_j x_j) \cdot x_j &= 2\sqrt{Q(X, b)} \cdot x_j \end{cases}$$

Exponential function

Let f be $E(X, b) = b_0 + b_1 \cdot x_1 \cdot e^{b_2 x_2}$:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial E}{\partial b_0} = 1 &= 1 \\ \frac{\partial E}{\partial b_1} = x_1 \cdot e^{b_2 x_2} &= [E(X, b) - b_0]/b_1 \\ \frac{\partial E}{\partial b_2} = x_1 \cdot e^{b_2 x_2} \cdot b_1 \cdot x_2 &= [E(X, b) - b_0] \cdot x_2 \end{cases}$$

Power function

Let f be $P(X, b) = b_0 \cdot x_1^{b_1 + b_2 x_2}$:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial P}{\partial b_0} = x_1^{b_1 + b_2 x_2} &= P(X, b)/b_0 \\ \frac{\partial P}{\partial b_1} = x_1^{b_1 + b_2 x_2} \cdot b_0 \cdot \ln(x_1) &= P(X, b) \cdot \ln(x_1) \\ \frac{\partial P}{\partial b_2} = x_1^{b_1 + b_2 x_2} \cdot b_0 \cdot \ln(x_1) \cdot x_2 &= P(X, b) \cdot \ln(x_1) \cdot x_2 \end{cases}$$

So, we have the condition $x_1 > 0, \forall i$.