

## Lec 5.1 Linear Regression

Recall: Supervised learning  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{discrete } y_n: \text{ classification} \\ \text{continuous } y_n: \text{ regression} \end{array} \right.$

### 1. Linear Regression Setup:

↳ Training set:

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\underline{x}_1, y_1), (\underline{x}_2, y_2) \dots (\underline{x}_d, y_d)\}$$

$$\underline{x}_n \in \mathbb{R}^d, y_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

↳ Decision Rule: (aka "Hypothesis set")

$$\hat{y} = h(\underline{x}) = w_0 + w_1 x_1 + \dots + w_d x_d$$

Redefined augmented form:  $\underline{w} = (w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d)$

$$\underline{x} = (x_0=1, x_1, \dots, x_d)$$

$$\therefore \hat{y} = h(\underline{x}) = \underline{w}^T \underline{x}$$

↑  
h for hypothesis

↳ Criterion for learning:

$$E_{in}(\underline{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (y_n - \hat{y})^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \underbrace{(y_n - \underline{w}^T \underline{x})^2}_{e_n(\underline{w})}$$

↑ "averaged squared error"

//  $e_n(\underline{w})$ : squared error on the  $n^{\text{th}}$  example

↳ Goal:

Given  $\mathcal{D}$ , find  $\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$  to minimize  $E_{in}(\underline{w})$

## 2. Example:

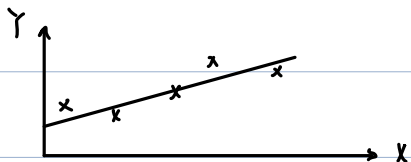
↳ Q: aim is to find the impact of advertisement on sales.

Let  $X$  = adv. cost in one week ( $d = 1$ )

$y$  = sales in one week

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \dots (x_N, y_N)\}$$

Find a linear model  $y = w_0 + w_1 x$



↳ Refined Model:

$$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{adv on \% of TV} \\ \text{adv on \% of Radio} \\ \text{adv on \% of Newspaper} \end{bmatrix} \quad (d = 3)$$

$$y = w_0 + w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + w_3 x_3$$

larger  $w_i \Rightarrow$  More profitable  $x_i$



## 3. Algebra on how to solve:

↳ Data Matrix:

$$\underline{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}_1^T \\ \underline{x}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{x}_N^T \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times (d+1)}$$

i.e.  $\begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & \dots & x_{1,d} \\ x_{2,1} & & x_{2,d} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{N,1} & & x_{N,d} \end{bmatrix}$

↳ Target vector:

$$\underline{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

↳ Weight vector:

$$\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$$

↳ Linear Regression Model:

$$\underline{\hat{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_1 \\ \hat{y}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{y}_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{w}^T \underline{x}_1^T \\ \underline{w}^T \underline{x}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{w}^T \underline{x}_N^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}_1^T \\ \underline{x}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \underline{x}_N^T \end{bmatrix} \underline{w}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\hat{y}} = \underline{\bar{X}} \underline{w}$$

↳ Error:

$$E_{in}(\underline{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \|\underline{y} - \underline{\hat{y}}\|^2$$

• When is  $E_{in}(\underline{w}) = 0$ , i.e.  $\underline{y} = \underline{\hat{y}}$ ?

$$\therefore y_n = \underline{w}^T \underline{x}_n, \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

#. of linear equations:  $N$

#. of variables:  $d+1$

$\therefore$  In practice,  $N \gg d \Rightarrow$  No exact solution

$\therefore$  Instead, we try to minimize  $E_{in}(\underline{w})$

$\Rightarrow$  least square solution.

## Lec 5.2 Least squares solution

↳ To minimize  $E_{in}(\underline{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \|\underline{y} - \hat{\underline{y}}\|^2$

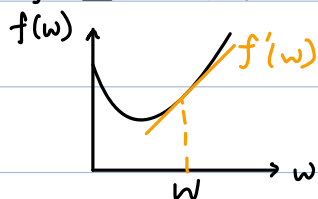
1. Least square sol:

$$\begin{aligned}\hookrightarrow \text{def: } f(\underline{w}) &= \|\underline{y} - \hat{\underline{y}}\|^2 \\ &= \|\underline{\bar{X}} \underline{w} - \underline{y}\|^2 \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N (\underbrace{\underline{w}^T \underline{x}_n - y_n}_{e_n(\underline{w})})^2\end{aligned}$$

↳ def: gradient of  $f(\underline{w})$ :

$$\bullet \nabla f(\underline{w}) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial w_1 \\ \partial f / \partial w_2 \\ \vdots \\ \partial f / \partial w_d \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{It points in the direction of the steepest increase.}$$

• If  $\underline{w}$  is 1-dimension, only two direction: left / right



↳ Claims:

$$\textcircled{1} \nabla f(\underline{w}) = 2 \bar{X}^T (\bar{X} \underline{w} - \underline{y})$$

② Least squares solution  $\underline{w}_{LS}$  is such that  $\nabla f(\underline{w}_{LS}) = 0$

$$\therefore 2 \bar{X}^T (\bar{X} \underline{w} - \underline{y}) = 0$$

$$\bar{X}^T \bar{X} \underline{w} = \bar{X}^T \underline{y}$$

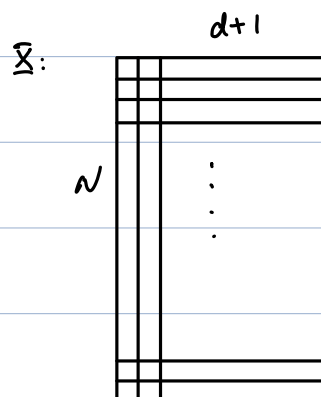
Assume: The  $d+1$  col of  $\bar{X}$  are lin. indept.

$\Downarrow$  data samples  
 $\equiv \exists$  at least  $d+1$  rows of  $\bar{X}$  that are lin. indept.

$$\therefore \text{rank}(\bar{X}) = d+1 \Leftrightarrow \bar{X}^T \bar{X} \text{ is invertible}$$

$$\therefore \underline{w}_{LS} = (\bar{X}^T \bar{X})^{-1} \bar{X}^T \underline{y}$$

// "Win in textbook"



↳ Pseudo-inverse of  $\bar{X}$ :

$$\underline{\bar{X}}^+ \triangleq (\underline{\bar{X}}^T \underline{\bar{X}})^{-1} \underline{\bar{X}}^T$$

Why we called "pseudo" inverse?

$$\bullet \underline{\bar{X}}^+ \underline{\bar{X}} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\bullet \text{ But } \underline{\bar{X}} \underline{\bar{X}}^+ = \underline{\bar{X}} (\underline{\bar{X}}^T \underline{\bar{X}})^{-1} \underline{\bar{X}}^T \neq \mathbf{I}$$

Note:

① We have  $\underline{y} = \underline{\bar{X}} \underline{w}$ , and want to find  $\underline{w}$

$$\underline{w} = \boxed{?} \underline{y}, \text{ where } \boxed{?} \text{ is kind of } \underline{\bar{X}}^{-1}$$

But  $\underline{\bar{X}}$  is not a square matrix  $\Rightarrow$  Not invertible

$\therefore$  We use pseudo inverse to do instead

$$\textcircled{2} \hat{\underline{y}}_{LS} = \underline{\bar{X}} \underline{w}_{LS} = \underline{\bar{X}} \underline{\bar{X}}^+ \underline{y}$$

↑  
projection matrix from  $\underline{y}$  to  $\hat{\underline{y}}$