# **ECE1513-Introduction to Machine Learning**

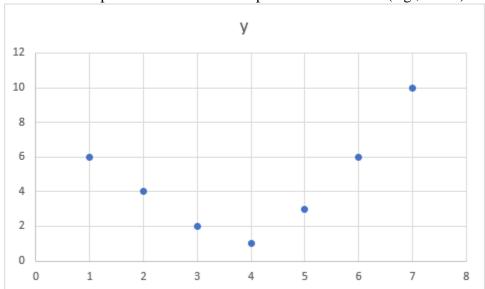
## Assignment 1

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**Problem 1** Assume we collected a dataset  $D = \{(Xi, Yi)\}_{i \in 1...7}$  of N = 7 points (i.e., observations) with inputs X = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) and outputs Y = (6, 4, 2, 1, 3, 6, 10) for a regression problem.

1. Draw a scatter plot of the dataset on a spreadsheet software (e.g., Excel).



2. Let us use a linear regression model gw, b(x) = wx + b to model this data. Write down the analytical expression of the mean squared loss of this model on dataset D. Your loss should take the form of

$$\frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i \in A} A w^2 + Bb^2 + Cwb + Dw + Eb + F$$

where A, B, C, D, E, and F are expressed only as a function of Xi and Yi and constants. Do not fill-in any numerical values yet.

#### Solution:

Known  $g_{w,b}(x) = wx + b$  and loss function is  $L_{(y,t)} = \frac{1}{2}(y-t)^2$ .

Thus, 
$$\varepsilon(w,b) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i \in 1.N} (y^{(i)} - Y^{(i)})^2 = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N [(wx^i + b) - Y^i]^2$$
  
 $= \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N [w^2 (x^i)^2 + 2wx^i b + b^2 - 2wx^i Y^i - 2Y^i b + (Y^i)^2]$   
In this case,  $A = (x^i)^2$ ;  $B = 1$ ;  $C = 2x^i$ ;  $D = -2x^i Y^i$ ;  $E = -2Y^i$ ;  $F = (Y^i)^2$ 

3. Derive the analytical expressions of w and b by minimizing the mean squared loss from the previous question. Your expressions for parameters w and b should only depend on A, B, C, D and E. Do not fill-in any numerical values yet.

**Solution:** Known the mean squared error is:

$$\varepsilon(w,b) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i \in 1.N} A w^2 + Bb^2 + Cwb + Dw + Eb + F$$

in order to minimize it, we need to find  $\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta w} = 0$  and  $\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta b} = 0$ .

Thus, 
$$\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta b} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (2Bb + Cw + E) = 0$$

$$\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta w} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (2Aw + Cb + D) = 0$$

4. Give approximate numerical values for w and b by plugging in numerical values from the dataset D.

### **Solution:**

substitute A, B, C, D, E, F into  $\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta h}$ ,  $\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta w}$  from question 3.

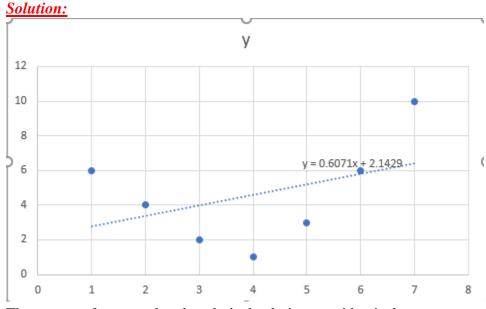
$$\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta b} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (2b + 2x^{i}w - 2Y^{i}) = \bar{x}w - \bar{Y} + b = 0$$

$$\frac{\delta \varepsilon}{\delta w} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} [2(x^{i})^{2}w + 2x^{i}b - 2x^{i}Y^{i}] = \bar{x}^{2}w + \bar{x}b - \bar{x}\bar{Y} = 0$$

$$\bar{x} \ from \ dataset = \frac{1+2+3+4+5+6+7}{7} = 4; \ \bar{Y} \ from \ dataset = \frac{6+4+2+1+3+6+10}{7} = 4.571;$$
 and  $\bar{x}\bar{Y} = 20.714$ .

Thus, 
$$\begin{cases} \bar{x}w - \bar{Y} + b = 0\\ \bar{x}^2w + \bar{x}b - \bar{x}\bar{Y} = 0 \end{cases}$$
, we can get  $\begin{cases} w = 0.607\\ b = 2.14 \end{cases}$ .

5. Double-check your solution with the scatter plot from the question earlier: e.g., you can use Excel to find numerical values of w and b.



The answers from excel and analytical solutions are identical.

**Problem 2** Let us now assume that D is a dataset with d features per input and N > 0 inputs. We have D =  $\{((X_{ij})_{j \in 1...d}, Y_i)\}_{i \in 1...N}$ . In other words, each Xi is a column vector with d components indexed by j such that  $X_{ij}$  is the jth component of  $X_i$ . The output  $Y_i$  remains a scalar (real value).

Let us assume for simplicity that b = 0 so we have a simplified linear regression model:

$$g_{\overrightarrow{w}}(X) = \overrightarrow{w}X$$

where  $\overrightarrow{w}$  is now a vector of dimensionality d. Each component of  $\sim$ w multiplies the corresponding feature of X, which gives the following:  $g_{\overrightarrow{w}}(X_i) = \sum_{j \in 1...d} w_j X_{ij}$ 

We would like to train a regularized linear regression model, where the mean squared loss is augmented with an L2 regularization penalty  $\frac{1}{2} ||\vec{w}||_2^2$  on the weight parameter  $\vec{w}$ :

$$L(\vec{w}, D) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i \in 1, N} (Y_i - g_{\vec{w}}(X_i))^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} ||\vec{w}||_2^2$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  is a hyperparameter that controls how much importance is given to the penalty.

1. Let  $A = \sum_{i \in 1...N} X_i X_i^T$ . Give a simple analytical expression for the components of A. *Solution:* 

Known  $X \in R^{Nxd}$ 

$$A = \sum_{i \in 1..N} X_i X_i^T = \begin{pmatrix} X_1^2 & \cdots & X_1 X_d \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_d X_1 & \cdots & X_d^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$A = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^d X_{ij} X_{ji} = XX^T$$

2. Let us write  $B = \sum_{i \in 1...N} Y_i X_i$ , prove that the following holds:

$$\nabla L(\vec{w}, D) = \frac{1}{N} (A\vec{w} - B) + \lambda \vec{w}$$

### **Solution:**

$$L(\overrightarrow{w}, D) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i \in 1..N} (Y_i - g_{\overrightarrow{w}}(X_i))^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} ||\overrightarrow{w}||_2^2$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (Y_i^2 - 2 \sum_{j=1}^d Y_i \overrightarrow{w}_j X_{ij} + (\sum_{j=1}^d \overrightarrow{w}_j X_{ij})^2) + \frac{\lambda}{2} ||\overrightarrow{w}||_2^2$ 

Thus, 
$$\nabla L(\vec{w}, D) = \frac{\delta L}{\delta \vec{w}} = \frac{1}{N} (\vec{w} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\sum_{j=1}^{d} X_{ij}^2)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{N} Y_i X_i) + \lambda \vec{w}$$

So, the yellow part represents A and B respectively, our solution match it with:

$$\nabla L(\vec{w}, D) = \frac{1}{N} (A\vec{w} - B) + \lambda \vec{w}$$

3. Write down the matrix equation  $\vec{w}^*$  that should satisfy, where:

$$\vec{w}^* = \arg\min L(\vec{w}, D)$$

Your equation should only involve A, B,  $\lambda$ , N, and  $\vec{w}^*$ . *Solution:* 

$$\vec{w}^* = \arg\min \ L(\vec{w}, D) = \frac{1}{N} (A\vec{w} - B) + \lambda \vec{w} = 0$$
$$\frac{A}{N} \vec{w} - \frac{B}{N} + \lambda \vec{w} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{A}{N} + \lambda I\right) \overrightarrow{w} = \frac{B}{N}$$
Thus,  $\overrightarrow{w}^* = \frac{\frac{B}{N}}{\frac{A}{N} + \lambda I} = \frac{B}{A + \lambda NI}$ 

4. Prove that all eigenvalues of A are positive.

#### **Solution:**

We know that matrix A is symmetric matrix, assume x is <u>full rank non-zero</u> vector, that we can get:

Note that:  $A = [a_{ij}]$  and  $X = [x_i]$ 

$$X^{T}AX = \lambda X^{T}X = \lambda ||X||^{2} > 0$$

$$X^{T}AX = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}x_{i}x_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}x_{i}^{2} + \sum_{i \neq j} a_{ij}x_{i}x_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}x_{i}^{2} + 2\sum_{i \neq j} a_{ij}x_{i}x_{j}$$

Thus, A is positive definite matrix, which leads that all eigenvalues of A are positive

5. Demonstrate that matrix  $A + \lambda NI$  is invertible by proving that none of its eigenvalues are zero. Here, I is the identity matrix of dimension d.

### **Solution:**

Knowing A is positive definite matrix,

$$X^{T}(A + \lambda NI)X = X^{T}AX + X^{T}\lambda NIX$$

From Q4 we know that  $X^T A X > 0$ ,  $X^T \lambda N I X = X_1^2 \lambda N + \cdots + X_d^2 \lambda N$ 

Since X is full rank nonzero vector, and N>0, thus,  $X^T \lambda NIX > 0$ 

Which leads  $X^T(A + \lambda NI)X > 0$ , so,  $A + \lambda NI$  is positive definite matrix, all eigenvalues are not equal to zero. It is invertible.

6. Using the invertibility of matrix  $A + \lambda NI$ , solve the equation stated in question 3 and deduce an analytical solution for  $\vec{w}^*$ . You've obtained a linear regression model regularized with an L2 penalty.

### **Solution:**

From question 3, 
$$\vec{w}^* = \frac{B}{A + \lambda NI}$$
, and  $\begin{cases} A = XX^T, \\ B = XY^T \end{cases}$ 

By substituting A, B, and using the invertibility of matrix  $A + \lambda NI$ ,

$$\vec{w}^* = \frac{XY^T}{XX^T + \lambda NI} = (XX^T + \lambda NI)^{-1}XY^T$$