

# Linear Regression in Matrix form

$$X = \begin{matrix} \text{feature vector} \\ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1d} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2d} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{m1} & x_{m2} & \dots & x_{md} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y = \begin{matrix} \text{observations} \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

we want to find  $w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{bmatrix}$  that minimizes error of  $Xw - Y$  for each data point

$$\text{Error } e = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ \vdots \\ e_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_1 - y_1 \\ \hat{y}_2 - y_2 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{y}_m - y_m \end{bmatrix}$$

1 case

loss  $\hat{L}(w) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{(wx_i - y_i)^2}{2}$

Matrix case

$$\hat{L}(w) = \frac{1}{m} \|Xw - y\|_2^2$$

gradient  $\hat{L}'(w) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (wx_i - y_i) x_i$

$$\nabla L(w) = \frac{1}{m} 2 X^T (Xw - y)$$

solution for w  $w = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m y_i x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^m x_i^2}$

$$w = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

①

To find the loss

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \ell(\hat{y}_i, y_i) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\hat{y}_i - y_i)^2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \sum_{j=1}^d w_j x_{ij} - y_i \right)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{m} \underbrace{e^T e}_{\uparrow} = \frac{1}{m} (Xw - y)^T (Xw - y)$$

dot product  
is like sum of  
components  
squared

$$= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \sum_{j=1}^d w_j x_{ij} - y_i \right)^2$$

$\underbrace{(Xw)_i}_{\text{2-norm squared}}$

$$= \frac{1}{m} \|Xw - y\|_2^2$$

② Derive  $\nabla L(w)$

Some useful things to know from matrix calc

### Matrix derivatives

Let  $A$  be a  $k \times k$  matrix of constants,  $a$  be a  $k \times 1$  vector of constants, and  $y$  be a  $k \times 1$  vector of variables

① If  $z = a^T y$  then

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial a^T y}{\partial y} = a$$

② If  $z = y^T y$  then

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial y^T y}{\partial y} = 2y$$

③ If  $z = a^T A y$  then

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial a^T A y}{\partial y} = A^T a$$

④ If  $z = y^T A y$ , then

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial y^T A y}{\partial y} = A y + A^T y$$

If  $A$  is symmetric, then

$$\frac{\partial y^T A y}{\partial y} = 2 A y$$

Derive  $\nabla L(w)$

First play around with  $L(w)$  so we can get a form that the matrix derivatives can be applied to

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{m} (Xw - y)^T (Xw - y) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} (w^T X^T - y^T) (Xw - y) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \left[ w^T X^T (Xw - y) - y^T (Xw - y) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \left[ w^T X^T Xw - \underbrace{w^T X^T y}_{\substack{\text{scalar} \\ = (y^T Xw)^T}} - \underbrace{y^T Xw}_{\text{scalar}} + y^T y \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \left[ \underbrace{w^T X^T Xw}_{\text{apply (4)}} - \underbrace{2y^T Xw}_{\text{apply (2)}} + \underbrace{y^T y}_{=0 \text{ constant}} \right] \end{aligned}$$



(1) (One variable quadratic regression) Consider (EL) with  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $Y = \{2, 4, 5\}$ . Use linear model  $h = w * x$ . Solve the problem with the quadratic loss. Hint: write down  $\hat{L}(w)$  and find the solution by solve  $\hat{L}'(w) = 0$ .

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

linear model  $h = w * x$

Recall from notes that  $\hat{L}(w) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \ell(\overset{h_w(x_i)}{w x_i}, y_i)$

$$\hat{L}'(w) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \ell'(w x_i, y_i)$$

Quadratic loss  $\ell(w x_i, y_i) = \frac{(w x_i - y_i)^2}{2}$

$$\hat{L}(w) = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{(w-2)^2}{2} + \frac{(2w-4)^2}{2} + \frac{(3w-5)^2}{2} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{L}'(w) &= \frac{1}{3} \left( (w-2) + 2(2w-4) + (3w-5) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (w-2 + 4w-8 + 3w-5) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (14w-15) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$\Rightarrow 14w = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{w = 25/14}$$

We can also solve this more straightforwardly by considering the formula derived in class for the 1D case:

$$\text{Since } \mathcal{L}(wx_i, y_i) = \underbrace{(wx_i - y_i)^2}_2$$

$$\mathcal{L}'(wx_i, y_i) = (wx_i - y_i) x_i$$

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}'(wx_i, y_i) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (wx_i - y_i) x_i = 0$$

$$\text{Solving gives us } w = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m y_i x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^m x_i^2}$$

$$\text{We can plug in: } w = \frac{2 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 3}{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2} = \boxed{\frac{25}{14}}$$

(2) (One variable  $\ell_1$  regression) Same setup as in the previous problem: consider (EL) with  $X = \{1, 2\}$   $Y = \{1, 3\}$ . Use linear model  $h = w * x$ . Solve the problem with the  $\ell_1$  loss. Hint: plot the function  $\hat{L}(w)$ , which is piecewise linear, and find the minimum value (by finding the intersection of two lines).

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

linear model  $h = w * x$

$$\ell_1 \text{ loss: } \ell(w x_i, y_i) = |w x_i - y_i|$$

$$\hat{L}(w) = |w - 1| + |2w - 3|$$

sign change at  $w=1, w=\frac{3}{2}$

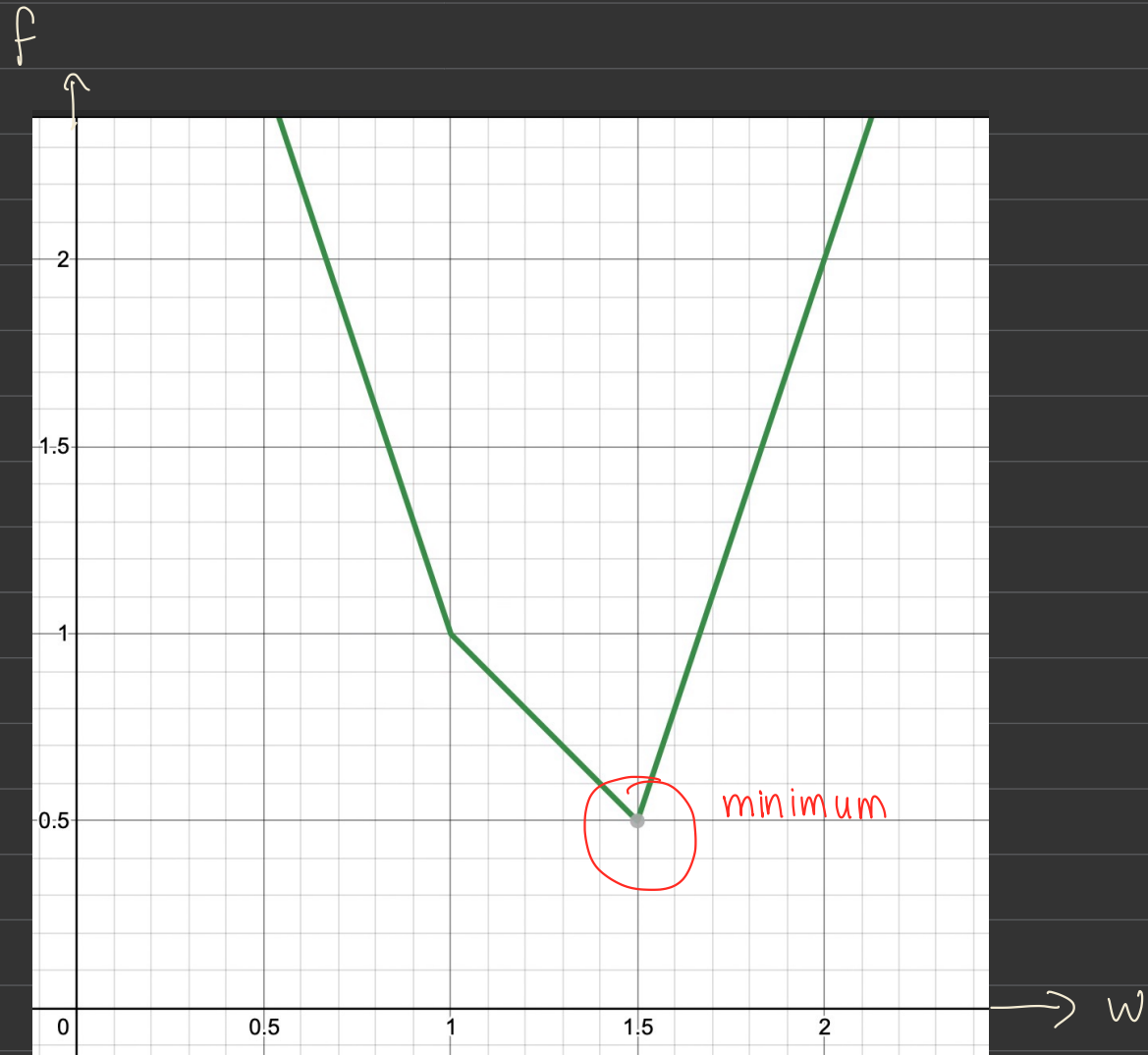
For  $w \leq 1$ :  $f(w) = (1 - w) + (3 - 2w) = -3w + 4$

For  $1 < w \leq 3/2$ :  $f(w) = (w - 1) + (3 - 2w) = -w + 2$

For  $w > 3/2$ :  $f(w) = (w - 1) + (2w - 3) = 3w - 4$

Piecewise linear & can plot it

Loss



$$\Rightarrow \boxed{w = \frac{3}{2}}$$

(4) (Two variable quadratic regression) Set  $X = \{(3, 0), (0, 2), (1, 1)\}$   $Y = \{6, 2, 5\}$  Setup the quadratic regression problem (i) by minimizing (EL) directly (i.e. take derivatives with respect to  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  and solve. (ii) by setting up the matrix equation (10) and solving it.

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_1 \quad x_2$

2 features now

want to find  $w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix}$

① Taking derivatives & solving

$$\hat{L}(w) = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \frac{(3w_1 - 6)^2}{2} + \frac{(2w_2 - 2)^2}{2} + \frac{(w_1 + w_2 - 5)^2}{2} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial L(w)}{\partial w_1} = \frac{1}{3} \left[ 3(3w_1 - 6) + (w_1 + w_2 - 5) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (10w_1 + w_2 - 23)$$

$$\frac{\partial L(w)}{\partial w_2} = \frac{1}{3} \left[ 2(2w_2 - 2) + (w_1 + w_2 - 5) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (w_1 + 5w_2 - 9)$$

Finding minimum by solving linear equations

$$10w_1 + w_2 - 23 = 0$$

$$w_1 + 5w_2 - 9 = 0$$

Substitution : see  $w_1 = 9 - 5w_2$

$$10(9 - 5w_2) + w_2 - 23 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 90 - 50w_2 + w_2 - 23 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 67 - 49w_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow w_2 = 67/49$$

$$w_1 = 9 - 5(67/49)$$

$$\Rightarrow w_1 = 106/49$$

