

ML 2017/2018: Graded Assignment 1 (5 points)

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1. This question is about vectorization, i.e. writing expressions in matrix vector form. The goal is to vectorize the update rule for multivariate linear regression.

(a) Let θ be the parameter vector $\theta = (\theta_0 \theta_1 \dots \theta_n)^T$ and let the i -th data vector be: $x^{(i)} = (x_0 x_1 \dots x_n)^T$ where $x_0 = 1$. What is the vectorial expression for the hypothesis function $h_\theta(x)$?

If we have multiple variables, a hypothesis function can be expressed as:

$$h_\theta(x) = \theta_0 x_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 + \theta_4 x_4 \dots$$

In vectorized form, both the parameter vector θ and the feature vector x are column vectors. If we transpose the parameter vector, it will be possible to multiply θ and x and obtain a single value from this operation. Therefore:

$$h_\theta(x) = \theta^T x$$

(b) What is the vectorized expression for the cost function: $J(\theta)$ (still using the explicit summation over all training examples).

This is the default state of the cost function:

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$\bar{e} = \sum (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 = \sum (h_\theta(x)^T - y)^2 \quad (\text{we calculate the sum of squared errors})$$

$$J = \frac{\bar{e}}{2m} \quad (\text{Cost function will be the s.s.e divided by 2*sample size})$$

(c) What is the vectorized expression for the gradient of the cost function:

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = D = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 x^{(i)}$$

(d) What is the vectorized expression for the θ update rule in the gradient descent procedure?

$$\theta := \theta - \alpha \partial$$

Theta decreases by learning rate multiplied by the gradient(slope) of the cost function.

2. 2 points Derive an equation that can be used to find the optimal value of the parameter θ_1 for univariate linear regression without doing gradient descent. This can be done by setting the value of the derivative equal to 0. You may assume that the value of θ_0 is fixed.

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = J(\theta_0 \theta_1)^T \begin{bmatrix} x_0^{(1)} x_1^{(1)} \\ x_0^{(2)} x_1^{(2)} \\ \dots \\ x_0^{(m)} x_1^{(m)} \end{bmatrix} = [0 \ 0]$$