

part 3: Maximum Likelihood Estimate

$$1. a) \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \arg \max \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i | x_i; \theta)$$

if observations y_i s are i.i.d

$$b) p(y_i | x_i; \theta) : y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i)}{\sigma} \right)^2}$$

$$c) \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \arg \max \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i)}{\sigma} \right)^2}$$

\Rightarrow Since \log is a monotonically increasing function $\Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{MLE}$ of \log is the same as $\hat{\theta}_{MLE}$ of normal likelihood.

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \arg \max \log \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i)}{\sigma} \right)^2}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[-\frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \ln \sigma - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i)}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \arg \max -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi) - n \ln \sigma - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i))^2$$

$$\Rightarrow = \arg \min \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - h_{\theta}(x_i))^2 \Rightarrow \text{if residuals are normally dist}$$

$\Rightarrow \text{least square cost} = \text{MLE}$