

Consider the following maximum likelihood estimation(MLE) objective for linear regression:

$$\max_{\theta} \prod_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta^T x_i)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

which leads to the following objective (by taking -ve log):

$$\min_{\theta} \sum_i (y_i - \theta^T x_i)^2$$

In the MLE objective,

- (A) **[Ans]** It is assumed that the residuals  $(y_i - \theta^T x_i)$  have a mean of 0
- (B) It is assumed that the residuals  $(y_i - \theta^T x_i)$  have a standard deviation of 1
- (C) **[Ans]** It is assumed that all the residuals  $(y_i - \theta^T x_i)$  have the same standard deviation
- (D) None of these

We saw the loss function for linear regression as

$$J(\theta) = (Y - X\theta)^T(Y - X\theta)$$

We saw that we get a closed form solution for  $\theta$  by solving  $\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (Y^T Y - 2Y^T X\theta + \theta^T X^T X\theta) = 0$$

$$\implies -2X^T Y + 2X^T X\theta = 0 \implies \theta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

Now find the closed form solution that minimizes this loss function (assume  $W$  is symmetric):

$$J(\theta) = (Y - X\theta)^T W (Y - X\theta)$$

(A)  $\theta = (X^T W X)^{-1} X^T Y$

(B)  $\theta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T W Y$

(C) **[Ans]**  $\theta = (X^T W X)^{-1} X^T W Y$

(D)  $\theta = (X^T W X)^{-1} X^T W^{-1} Y$

(E) None of these

Consider the function

$$f(w) = w^2 + w + 1$$

We want to find the minima of the function using gradient descent. We start at  $w^0 = 5$ . What should be the learning rate  $\eta$  so that we reach the minima in a single step?

Hint: There may be many ways to solve this. One of the easiest is to see that the derivative of the point after 1st update is 0:

- (A) 1
- (B) **[Ans]** 0.5
- (C) 0.1
- (D) 0.05
- (E) None of these

Let us say that we have computed the gradient of our cost function and stored it in a vector  $g$ . What is the cost of one gradient descent update given the gradient?

$D$  is number of dimensions,  $N$  is the number of samples

(A) **[Ans]**  $O(D)$

(B)  $O(N)$

(C)  $O(ND)$

(D)  $O(ND^2)$

Consider the dataset of 4 points in  $R^2$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 \\ 6 & -4 \\ -2 & 6 \\ -3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Run PCA for this data (in your notebook) to go from  $R^2$  to  $R^1$ . Then

- (A) 1st Principal component is  $[1, 1]^T$
- (B) **[Ans]** 1st Principal component is  $[1, -1]^T$
- (C) **[Ans]** The projection of 1st and 2nd points in the new subspace is at same point
- (D) **[Ans]** The projection of 3rd and 4th points in the new subspace is at same point
- (E) The projection of 1st and 3rd points in the new subspace is at same point
- (F) None of these