
Assignment #1

Elements of Machine Learning

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1 Problem 3 (Linear Regression)

2 **Derive Residual Sum of Squares (RSS) is the sum of squared residuals for all data points.**

3 **Make sure to customize it to our model.**

4 First, we will start by defining the Residual Sum of Squares (RSS) formula. Mathematically, RSS
5 is defined as:

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^N e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \quad (1)$$

6 Furthermore, Equation 1 can be expressed in matrix notation as follows:

$$RSS = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) \quad (2)$$

7 For our model, RSS can be expanded as:

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} \right)^2 \quad (3)$$

8 **Derive and compute the estimates $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2$ that minimize the residual sum of squares by**
9 **taking the partial derivatives of the RSS with respect to each coefficient.**

10 We need to derive and compute the estimates $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_2$ that minimize the RSS . Because RSS is
11 a convex problem, we can just take the partial derivatives of the RSS w.r.t each estimate and set it to
12 0. First, we will start with $\hat{\beta}_0$ since that is also the simplest one.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial RSS}{\partial \hat{\beta}_0} &= \sum_{i=1}^N 2 \left(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} \right) \cdot (-1) \\ &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^N \left(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

13 Equating it with zero, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2 \sum_{i=1}^N \left(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} \right) = 0 \\
& \sum_{i=1}^N y_i - \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2} = 0 \\
& \sum_{i=1}^N y_i - N \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2} = 0 \\
& \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i - \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} - \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2} = \hat{\beta}_0
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

14 Next, following a similar procedure, we can derive the estimates for $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_2$. First, we will derive
15 the estimate for $\hat{\beta}_1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial RSS}{\partial \hat{\beta}_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^N 2 \left(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} \right) \cdot (-x_{i1}) \\
&= -2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} \left(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

16 Equating it with zero, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} \left(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} \right) = 0 \\
& \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} y_i - \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\beta}_0 x_{i1} - \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i1} x_{i2} = 0
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

17 So, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \hat{\beta}_0 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} + \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1}^2 + \hat{\beta}_2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} x_{i2} = \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} y_i \\
& \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N y_i x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_0 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} x_{i2}}{\sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1}^2} = \hat{\beta}_1
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

18 Similarly, due to symmetry, we can obtain the optimal value for $\hat{\beta}_2$ also by replacing x_{i1} with x_{i2}
19 and vice versa, $\hat{\beta}_1$ with $\hat{\beta}_2$ and vice versa.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \hat{\beta}_0 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2} + \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} x_{i2} + \hat{\beta}_2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2} y_i \\
& \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N y_i x_{i2} - \hat{\beta}_0 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2} - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^N x_{i1} x_{i2}}{\sum_{i=1}^N x_{i2}^2} = \hat{\beta}_2
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

20 Now, solving equations 5, 8, and 9, we get the optimal values of $\hat{\beta}_0$, $\hat{\beta}_1$, and $\hat{\beta}_2$, for least squares
21 method.

Table 1: The calculation of parameters for the normal equations.

	x_{i1}	x_{i2}	y_i	x_{i1}^2	x_{i2}^2	$x_{i1} \cdot x_{i2}$	$x_{i1} \cdot y_i$	$x_{i2} \cdot y_i$
	1	2	5	1	4	2	5	10
	2	1	6	4	1	2	12	6
	3	3	9	9	9	9	27	27
	4	2	10	16	4	8	40	20
	5	3	13	25	9	15	65	39
Sum	15	11	43	55	27	36	149	102

22 So, using Table 1 and the normal equations we get the following equations.

$$43 = 5\hat{\beta}_0 + 15\hat{\beta}_1 + 11\hat{\beta}_2$$

$$149 = 15\hat{\beta}_0 + 55\hat{\beta}_1 + 36\hat{\beta}_2$$

$$102 = 11\hat{\beta}_0 + 36\hat{\beta}_1 + 27\hat{\beta}_2$$

23 Solving above equations, we get, $\hat{\beta}_0 = 1.642$, $\hat{\beta}_1 = 1.779$, and $\hat{\beta}_2 = 0.737$.

24 **Compute the R-square value for our model.**

25 We know that R^2 is defined as $R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS}$, where $TSS = \sum_{i=0}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^2$ and $RSS =$
 26 $\sum_{i=0}^N (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$. So, to calculate RSS and TSS let us calculate the necessary values in Table 2.

Table 2: Calculations for R^2 with $\bar{y} = 8.6$

x_{i1}	x_{i2}	y_i	\hat{y}_i	$(y_i - \bar{y})^2$	$(y_i - \hat{y})^2$
1	2	5	4.895	12.96	0.011
2	1	6	5.937	6.76	0.0040
3	3	9	9.189	0.16	0.036
4	2	10	10.232	1.96	0.054
5	3	13	12.747	19.36	0.064

27 From the above table, we get $RSS = 0.168$ and $TSS = 41.2$. Hence, R^2 can be calculated as
 28 $R^2 = 1 - \frac{0.168}{41.2} = 0.9959 \approx 1$.