

DSC 40A

Lecture 08

Least Squares Regression, pt. III

Announcements

- ▶ The midterm is Tuesday, in lecture.
- ▶ Covers Lectures 01 through 07 (this Tuesday).
- ▶ Concepts:
 - ▶ loss functions and ERM, gradient descent, convexity, least squares regression, etc.
- ▶ Core Skills:
 - ▶ partial derivatives, working with summations, chains of inequalities, etc.
- ▶ Best study device: homeworks and discussion worksheets.

Last Time

- ▶ **Goal:** Find prediction rule $H(x)$ for predicting salary given years of experience.
- ▶ To avoid **overfitting**, use linear prediction rule:

$$H(x) = w_1 x + w_0$$

- ▶ We want w_1 and w_0 to minimize the mean squared error:

$$R_{\text{sq}}(w_1, w_0) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n ((w_1 x + w_0) - y_i)^2$$

Last Time

- Take derivatives, set to zero, solve:

$$w_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$w_0 = \bar{y} - w_1 \bar{x}$$

Today

- ▶ How do we predict salary given **multiple** features?
 - ▶ years of experience, number of internships, GPA, etc.
- ▶ We'll need to use some linear algebra...

Basic Linear Algebra Review

Matrices

An $m \times n$ **matrix** is a table of numbers with m rows, n columns:

- ▶ Example: 2×3 matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Example: 3×3 “square” matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} \\ m_{21} & m_{22} & m_{23} \\ m_{31} & m_{32} & m_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Example: 3×1 “column”:

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_{11} \\ m_{21} \\ m_{31} \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix Notation

- ▶ We use upper-case letters for matrices.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Sometimes use subscripts to denote particular elements:

$$A_{13} = 3, A_{21} = 4$$

- ▶ A^T denotes the transpose of A :

$$A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix Addition and Scalar Multiplication

- ▶ We can add two matrices only if they are the same size.
- ▶ Addition occurs elementwise:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 8 & 9 \\ -1 & -2 & -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 10 & 12 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Scalar multiplication occurs elementwise, too:

$$2 \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 8 & 10 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix-Matrix Multiplication

- ▶ We can multiply two matrices A and B only if # cols in A is equal to # rows in B
- ▶ If $A = m \times n$ and $B = n \times p$, the result is $m \times p$.
 - ▶ This is **very useful**. Remember it!
- ▶ The low-level definition. the ij entry of the product is:

$$(AB)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n A_{ik} B_{kj}$$

Matrix-Matrix Multiplication Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ What is the size of AB ?
- ▶ What is $(AB)_{12}$?

Matrix-Matrix Multiplication Properties

- ▶ Distributive: $A(B + C) = AB + AC$
- ▶ Associative: $(AB)C = A(BC)$
- ▶ **Not commutative in general:** $AB \neq BA$

Identity Matrices

- ▶ The $n \times n$ **identity matrix** I has ones along the diagonal:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ If A is $n \times m$, then $IA = A$.
- ▶ If B is $m \times n$, then $BI = B$.

Vectors

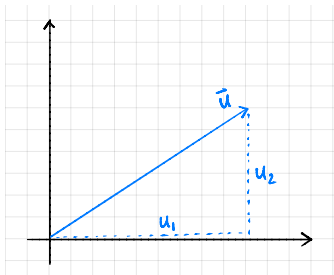
- ▶ An d -**vector** is an $d \times 1$ matrix.
- ▶ Often use arrow, lower-case letters to denote: \vec{x} .
- ▶ Often write $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ to say \vec{x} is a d vector.
- ▶ Example. A 4-vector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Vector addition and scalar multiplication are also elementwise.

Geometric Meaning of Vectors

- ▶ A vector $\vec{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_d)^T$ is an arrow to the point (u_1, \dots, u_d) :



- ▶ The length, or **norm**, of \vec{u} is $\|\vec{u}\| = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \dots + u_d^2}$.
- ▶ A **unit vector** is a vector of norm 1.

Dot Products

- ▶ The **dot product** of two d -vectors \vec{u} and \vec{v} is:

$$\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{u}^T \vec{v}$$

- ▶ Using low-level matrix multiplication definition:

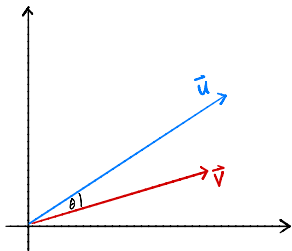
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} &= \sum_{i=1}^n u_i v_i \\ &= u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n\end{aligned}$$

Dot Product Example

$$\vec{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} =$$

Geometric Interpretation of Dot Product

► $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\| \cos \theta.$



Discussion Question

Which of these is another expression for the norm of \vec{u} ?

a) $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}$

b) $\sqrt{\vec{u}^2}$

c) $\sqrt{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}}$

d) \vec{u}^2

Properties of the Dot Product

- ▶ Commutative: $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u}$
- ▶ Distributive: $\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{v} + \vec{w}) = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$
- ▶ Linear: $\vec{u} \cdot (\alpha \vec{v} + \beta \vec{w}) = \alpha \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v} + \beta \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$

Matrix-Vector Multiplication

- ▶ Special case of matrix-matrix multiplication.
- ▶ Result is always a vector with same number of rows as the matrix.
- ▶ One view: a “mixture” of the columns.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} = a_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + a_2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + a_3 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrices and Functions

- ▶ Matrix-vector multiplication takes in a vector, outputs a vector.
- ▶ An $m \times n$ matrix is an encoding of a function mapping \mathbb{R}^m to \mathbb{R}^n .
- ▶ Matrix multiplication evaluates that function.

For more, see www.dsc40a.com

Today

- ▶ How do we predict salary given **multiple** features?
 - ▶ years of experience, number of internships, GPA, etc.

Using Multiple Features

- ▶ We believe salary is a function of experience *and* GPA.
- ▶ I.e., there is a function H so that:

$$\text{salary} \approx H(\text{years of experience, GPA})$$

- ▶ Recall: H is a **prediction rule**.
- ▶ **Our goal:** find a good prediction rule, H .

Example Prediction Rules

$$H_1(\text{experience, GPA}) = \$40,000 \times \frac{\text{GPA}}{4.0} + \$2,000 \times (\text{experience})$$

$$H_2(\text{experience, GPA}) = \$60,000 \times 1.05^{(\text{experience} + \text{GPA})}$$

$$H_3(\text{experience, GPA}) = \sin(\text{GPA}) + \cos(\text{experience})$$

Linear Prediction Rule

- ▶ We'll restrict ourselves to **linear** prediction rules:

$$H(\text{experience}, \text{GPA}) = w_0 + w_1 \times (\text{experience}) + w_2 \times (\text{GPA})$$

- ▶ Can add more features, too¹:

$$H(\text{experience}, \text{GPA}, \# \text{ internships}) = w_0 + w_1 \times (\text{experience}) + w_2 \times (\text{GPA}) + w_3 \times (\# \text{ of internships})$$

- ▶ Interpretation of w_i : the **weight** of feature x_i .

¹In practice, might use tens, hundreds, even thousands of features.

Feature Vectors

- ▶ In general, if x_1, \dots, x_d are d features:

$$H(x_1, \dots, x_d) = w_0 + w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + \dots + w_d x_d$$

- ▶ Nicer to pack into a **feature vector** and **parameter vector**:²

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{pmatrix}$$

²This slide originally had an error; see beginning of Lecture 09.

Augmented Feature Vectors

- The **augmented feature vector** $\text{Aug}(\vec{x})$ is the vector obtained by adding a 1 to the front of \vec{x} :

$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Aug}(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{pmatrix}$$

- Then:

$$\begin{aligned} H(x_1, \dots, x_d) &= w_0 + w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + \dots + w_d x_d \\ &= \text{Aug}(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{w} \end{aligned}$$

Example

- Recall the prediction rule:

$$H_1(\text{experience, GPA}) = \$40,000 \times \frac{\text{GPA}}{4.0} + \$2,000 \times (\text{experience})$$

- This is linear. If x_1 is experience, x_2 is GPA, then:

$$\vec{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2,000 \\ 10,000 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Prediction for someone with 2 years experience, 3.0 GPA:

$$\text{Aug}(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \\ \\ \end{pmatrix} \quad H(\vec{x}) = \text{Aug}(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{w} =$$

The Data

- For each person, collect 3 features, plus salary:

Person #	Experience	GPA	# Internships	Salary
1	3	3.7	1	85,000
2	6	3.3	2	95,000
3	10	3.1	3	105,000

- We represent each person with a **data vector**:

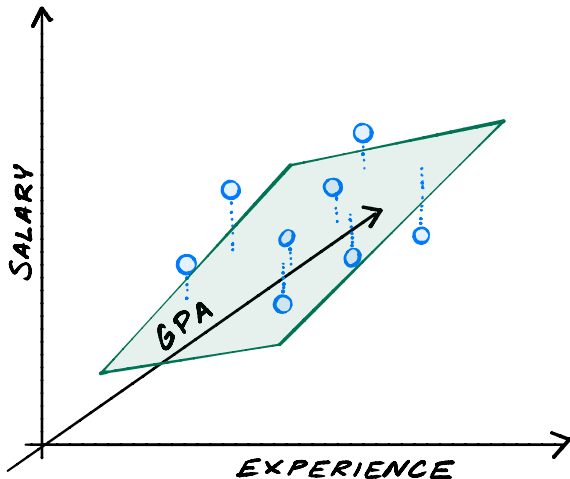
$$\vec{x}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3.7 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{x}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 3.3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{x}^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 3.1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Notation

- ▶ $\vec{x}^{(i)}$ is the i th data vector.
- ▶ $x_j^{(i)}$ is the j th feature in the i th data vector.
- ▶ If there are d features:

$$\vec{x}^{(i)} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^{(i)} \\ x_2^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ x_d^{(i)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Geometric Interpretation



The General Problem

- ▶ We have n data points (or **training examples**):
 $(\vec{x}^{(1)}, y_1), \dots, (\vec{x}^{(n)}, y_n)$

- ▶ We want to find a good linear prediction rule:

$$H(\vec{x}) = \vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x})$$

- ▶ To do so, we'll minimize the mean squared error:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\text{sq}}(\vec{w}) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(H(\vec{x}^{(i)}) - y_i \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\left(\vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(i)}) \right) - y_i \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

The Risk

- ▶ With d features, we have $d + 1$ parameters: w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d .
- ▶ The risk $R_{\text{sq}}(\vec{w})$ is a function from \mathbb{R}^{d+1} to \mathbb{R}^1 .
- ▶ It is a $(d + 1)$ -dimensional hypersurface.
- ▶ **No hope of visualizing it directly when $d \geq 2$.**

Rewriting the Mean Squared Error

- ▶ Let \vec{e} be such that e_i is the (signed) error on i th example:

$$e_i = \left(\vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(i)}) \right) - y_i$$

- ▶ Then:

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Rewriting the Mean Squared Error

- Define $\vec{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^T$. Then:

$$\vec{e} = \begin{pmatrix} (\vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(1)})) - y_1 \\ (\vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(2)})) - y_2 \\ \vdots \\ (\vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(n)})) - y_n \end{pmatrix} =$$

- \vec{h} is the vector of predictions.

Rewriting the Mean Squared Error

► So far: $R_{\text{sq}}(\vec{w}) = \frac{1}{n} \|\vec{e}\|^2$, and $\vec{e} = \vec{h} - \vec{y}$.

► Therefore:

$$R_{\text{sq}}(\vec{w}) = \frac{1}{n} \|\vec{h} - \vec{y}\|^2$$

► \vec{w} is hidden inside of \vec{h} , let's pull it out.

Rewriting the Mean Squared Error

- Define the **design matrix** X :

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(1)}) & \longrightarrow & \\ \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(2)}) & \longrightarrow & \\ \vdots & & \\ \text{Aug}(\vec{x}^{(n)}) & \longrightarrow & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1^{(1)} & x_2^{(1)} & \dots & x_d^{(1)} \\ 1 & x_1^{(2)} & x_2^{(2)} & \dots & x_d^{(2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_1^{(n)} & x_2^{(n)} & \dots & x_d^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Then $\vec{h} = X\vec{w}$.

Rewriting the Mean Squared Error

- The mean squared error is:

$$R_{sq}(\vec{w}) = \frac{1}{n} \|X\vec{w} - \vec{y}\|^2$$

where X is the **design matrix** containing the data, \vec{w} is the **parameter vector**, and \vec{y} is the vector of **observations** (or right answers).

- To minimize MSE: take derivative (gradient), set to zero, solve.