

# Polynomial Regression (Handwriting Assignment)

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## Introduction

In the mid-term project, we will look at a polynomial regression algorithm which can be used to fit non-linear data by using a polynomial function. The polynomial Regression is a form of regression analysis in which the relationship between the independent variable  $x$  and the dependent variable  $y$  is modeled as an  $n$ th degree polynomial in  $x$ .

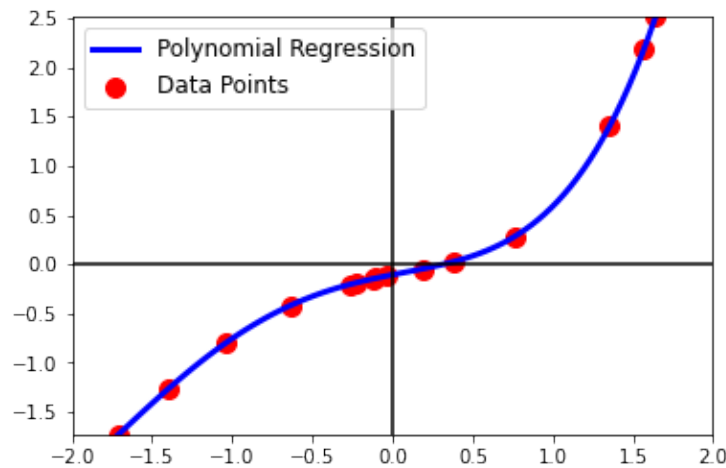


Figure 1: Example of Polynomial Regression

First, what is a regression? we can find a definition from the book as follows: *Regression analysis is a form of predictive modelling technique which investigates the relationship between a dependent and independent variable.* Actually, this definition is a bookish definition, in simple terms the regression can be defined as *finding a function that best explain data which consists of input and output pairs.* Let assume that we have 100 data points,

$$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3), \dots, (x_{98}, y_{98}), (x_{99}, y_{99}), (x_{100}, y_{100}).$$

The goal of regression is to find a function  $\hat{f}$  such that

$$\hat{f}(x_1) = y_1, \hat{f}(x_2) = y_2, \hat{f}(x_3) = y_3, \dots, \hat{f}(x_{99}) = y_{99}, \hat{f}(x_{100}) = y_{100}.$$

This is the simplest definition of the regression problem. Note that many details about regression analysis are omitted here, but, you will learn more rigorous definition in other courses such as

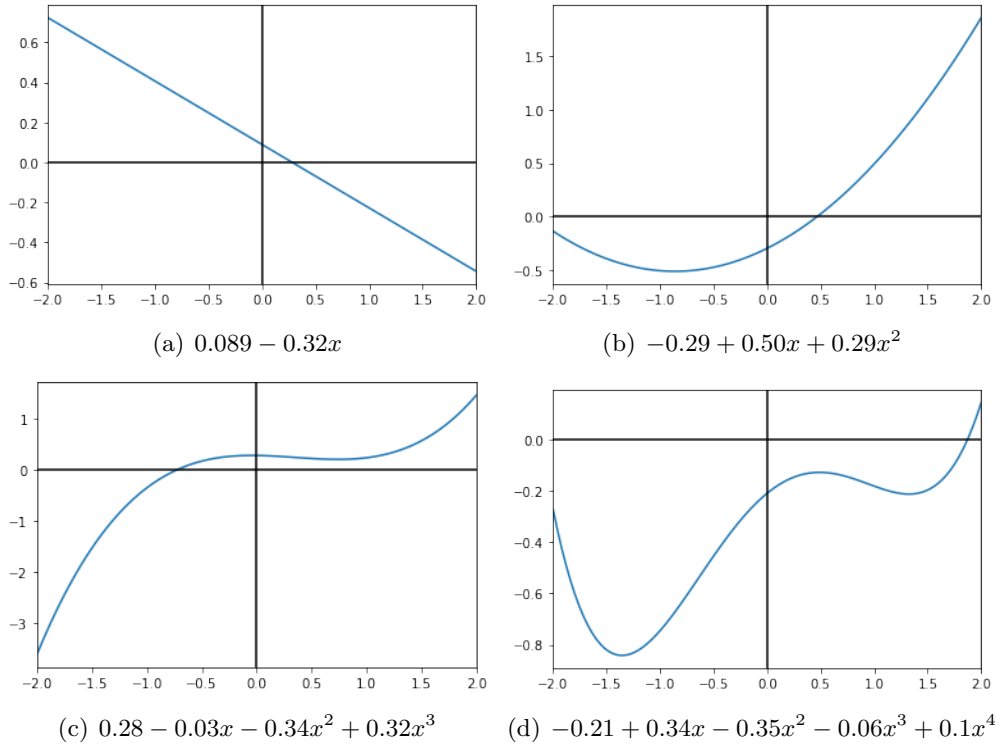


Figure 2: Examples of polynomial functions

machine learning or statistics. Then, the polynomial regression is the regression framework that employs the polynomial function to fit the data.

So, what is the polynomial function? I guess you may remember, from high school, the following functions:

$$\text{Degree of 0 : } f(x) = w_0$$

$$\text{Degree of 1 : } f(x) = w_1 \cdot x + w_0$$

$$\text{Degree of 2 : } f(x) = w_2 \cdot x^2 + w_1 \cdot x + w_0$$

$$\text{Degree of 3 : } f(x) = w_3 \cdot x^3 + w_2 \cdot x^2 + w_1 \cdot x + w_0$$

$\vdots$

$$\text{Degree of } d : f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d w_i \cdot x^i,$$

where  $w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d$  are a coefficient of polynomial and  $d$  is called a degree of a polynomial. So, we can determine a polynomial function  $f(x)$  by deciding its degree  $d$  and corresponding coefficients  $\{w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d\}$ . Figure 2 illustrates some examples of polynomial functions.

Then, the polynomial regression is a regression problem to find the best polynomial function to fit the given data points. Especially, the polynomial function is determined by coefficients (let just assume that  $d$  is fixed). We can restate the polynomial regression as *finding coefficients of polynomials such that, for all data point,  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $y_i = \hat{f}(x_i)$  holds* (if we have noise free data). Figure 1 shows the example of polynomial regression. In the following problems, you have to study how to compute the coefficients of the polynomial to fit the data points.

## Problems

### 1. (80 pt. in total)

Assume that we have  $n$  data points,  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ . Let the degree of polynomial be  $d$ . Then, we want to find  $w_0, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_d$  of the polynomial such that

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{f}(x_1) &= w_0 + w_1x_1 + w_2x_1^2 + \dots + w_dx_1^d = y_1, \\ \hat{f}(x_2) &= w_0 + w_1x_2 + w_2x_2^2 + \dots + w_dx_2^d = y_2, \\ \hat{f}(x_3) &= w_0 + w_1x_3 + w_2x_3^2 + \dots + w_dx_3^d = y_3, \\ \hat{f}(x_4) &= w_0 + w_1x_4 + w_2x_4^2 + \dots + w_dx_4^d = y_4, \\ \hat{f}(x_5) &= w_0 + w_1x_5 + w_2x_5^2 + \dots + w_dx_5^d = y_5, \\ &\vdots \\ \hat{f}(x_n) &= w_0 + w_1x_n + w_2x_n^2 + \dots + w_dx_n^d = y_n.\end{aligned}$$

Now, we reformulate the equations into the vector and matrix form. First, let  $\mathbf{w} = [w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d]^T$  and  $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n]^T$ . Then, the above equations can be rewritten as

$$\hat{f}(x_1) = [1, x_1, x_1^2, x_1^3, \dots, x_1^d] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{bmatrix} = [1, x_1, x_1^2, x_1^3, \dots, x_1^d] \mathbf{w} = y_1$$

Similarly, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}& [1, x_2, x_2^2, x_2^3, \dots, x_2^d] \mathbf{w} = y_2, \\ & [1, x_3, x_3^2, x_3^3, \dots, x_3^d] \mathbf{w} = y_3, \\ & [1, x_4, x_4^2, x_4^3, \dots, x_4^d] \mathbf{w} = y_4, \\ & [1, x_5, x_5^2, x_5^3, \dots, x_5^d] \mathbf{w} = y_5, \\ & \vdots \\ & [1, x_n, x_n^2, x_n^3, \dots, x_n^d] \mathbf{w} = y_n.\end{aligned}$$

Then, all equations can be written as the form of linear equation,

$$A\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{y},$$

where  $A$  is the stack of  $[1, x_i, x_i^2, x_i^3, \dots, x_i^d]$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Under this setting, answer the following questions.

#### 1-(a) What is the size of vector $\mathbf{w}$ and $\mathbf{y}$ ? (10pt)

$$\mathbf{w} : d+1$$

$$\mathbf{y} : n$$

1-(b) What is the size of matrix  $A$ ? Write  $A$ . (10pt)

$$A: [n \times (d+1)] \text{ matrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^d \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_2^d \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \dots & x_n^d \end{bmatrix}$$

$d+1=n$

1-(c) Let  $d \leftarrow n$ , then,  $A$  becomes a square matrix. Compute the determinant of  $A$ . (40pt in total, Derivation: 30pt, Answer: 10pt, Hint: Vandermonde Matrix.)

$d+1=n$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \dots & x_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} : \text{Vandermonde matrix.}$$

$$|A| = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (x_j - x_i) \text{ Vandermonde}$$

$$n=1: |A|_1 = |1| = 1.$$

$$n=2: |A|_2 = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \end{vmatrix} = x_2 - x_1$$

$n=1, 2$ 에서 Vandermonde 증명.

$$n=d \text{ 일때 } |A|_d = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq d} (x_j - x_i) \text{ 가}$$

성립한다는 가정.

$$n=d+1: A_{d+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^d \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_2^d \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \dots & x_n^d \end{bmatrix}$$

$(d+1)$ 행은 선형독립성을 가짐을 증명하기 위해

$$|A|_{d+1} = 1 \cdot C_{(d+1),1} + x_2 C_{(d+1),2} + x_2^2 C_{(d+1),3} + \dots + x_2^d C_{(d+1),d+1} \text{ 라고 놓기}$$

$d$ 차 Vandermonde  $f(x)$ 를 사용한다.  $f(x) = (x-x_1)(x-x_2)\dots(x-x_d)$ 를 대입해보면

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) = \dots = f(x_d) = 0$$

이제 Vandermonde 행렬의 행렬식을 구한다

$$f(x) = C(x-x_1)(x-x_2)\dots(x-x_d) \text{ 라고 놓기}$$

$(d+1)$ 행의  $x$ 를  $C_{(d+1),d+1}$ 로 대체한다

$(d+1)$ 행의  $x$ 를  $x_{d+1}$ 로 대체

$$C_{(d+1),d+1} = (-1)^{d+1+d+1} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^d \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_2^d \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \dots & x_n^d \end{vmatrix} = 1 \cdot \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq d} (x_j - x_i)$$

$$\text{따라서 } C = C_{(d+1),d+1} \text{ 이므로}$$

$$|A|_{d+1} = f(x) = \left( \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq d} (x_j - x_i) \right) (x - x_1)(x - x_2)\dots(x - x_d)$$

$x_{d+1} = x$  라고 놓으면  $n=d+1$ 일때 가정이 성립한다.

$\therefore$  Vandermonde 행렬의 행렬식

$$|A| = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq d} (x_j - x_i) \text{ 이다.}$$

1-(d) What is the condition that makes the determinant of  $A$  non-zero? (10pt)

$$|A| = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq d} (x_j - x_i) \text{ 이므로 모든 } x_i \neq 0 \text{ 이고 } x_i \neq x_j \Rightarrow 1 \leq i < j \leq n, i \neq j \text{ 일때 } x_i \neq x_j.$$

1-(e) Assume that the determinant of  $A$  is non-zero, then, what is the solution of linear equation,  $Aw = y$ , with respect to  $w$ ? (10pt)

$A$ 는 정방행렬이므로  $|A| \neq 0$  이므로  $A^{-1}$  존재한다.

$$\therefore W = A^{-1}y \text{ 라고 풀기.}$$

## 2. (20pt)

Suppose that  $n > d$ . Then, we cannot compute the inverse of  $A$  since  $A$  is not a square matrix. In this case, how can we solve the linear equation  $A\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{y}$ ? (Hint: Pseudo Inverse)

$A = [n \times (d+1)]$  matrix

$n > d+1$  이면 역행렬을 구할 수 없다.

유사역행렬을 구한다.

유사역행렬  $A^+$  는  $AA^+A = A$  ,  $A^+AA^+ = A^+$  ,  
 $(AA^+)^T = AA^+$  ,  $(A^+A)^T = A^+A$  를

만족하는 유사역행렬이라 한다.

$A = U\Sigma V^T$  , 3개의 행렬의 곱으로 특이값 분해를 한다.

$U = m \times n$  직각행렬 ,  $V = n \times n$  직각행렬이다.

$U^T = U^T$  ,  $V^T = V^T$  를 만족한다.

$m \times n$  matrix  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r & 0_{r \times (n-r)} \\ 0_{(m-r) \times r} & 0_{(m-r) \times (n-r)} \end{bmatrix}$ .

0이 아닌  $r$ 개의 특이값을 가진 행렬  $\Sigma_r$  ,  $\Sigma_r$  은  $r \times r$  대각행렬로 대각성분을  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_r$  이라고 놓는다.

$\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \dots > \sigma_r > 0$  .  $0 \leq r \leq \min(m, n)$  이고  $r = \text{rank } A$

$$A^+ = V\Sigma^+U^T$$

$$\Sigma^+ : m \times n \text{ matrix} , \Sigma^+ = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r^{-1} & 0_{r \times (n-r)} \\ 0_{(m-r) \times r} & 0_{(m-r) \times (n-r)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$[A] : m \times (d+1)$  이고  $n > d+1$  이고 rank 가  $r = \min(m, n)$

$$A^+A = I , \quad A^+_c = (A^TA)^{-1}A^T$$

$$\text{이때 } A = U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T$$

$$\therefore A^+ = V \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r^{-1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} U^T : \text{유사역행렬}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{w} = A^+ \mathbf{y} . \text{ 구해진다.}$$

