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Homework 1

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I use enumerate to generate answers for each question:

1.1. (a) i.

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}] = \sum_{i} x_i \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i|\mathbf{y})$$
 (1)

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}\mathbf{z}]|\mathbf{y}] &= \mathbb{E}((\sum_{i} x_{i} \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}|\mathbf{y}\mathbf{z}))|\mathbf{y}) \\ &= \sum_{j} (\sum_{i} x_{i} \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} = z_{j})) \Pr(\mathbf{z} = z_{j}) \\ &= \sum_{i} x_{i} (\sum_{j} \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} = z_{j})) \Pr(\mathbf{z} = z_{j}) \\ &= \sum_{i} x_{i} (\sum_{j} \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}, \mathbf{z} = z_{j}|\mathbf{y})) \\ &= \sum_{i} x_{i} \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}|\mathbf{y}) \end{split}$$

所以

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}\mathbf{z}]|\mathbf{y}] \tag{2}$$

ii.

$$g(\mathbf{y}) \, \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}] = \sum_{i} g(\mathbf{y}) x_i \, \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i | \mathbf{y}) = \mathbb{E}[xg(\mathbf{y})|\mathbf{y}] \tag{3}$$

iii.

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}\,\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}]] = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{x}\sum_{i}x_{i}\operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}|\mathbf{y})\right]$$

$$= \sum_{j,k}(x_{j}\sum_{i}x_{i}\operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}|\mathbf{y} = y_{k}))\operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{x} = x_{j},\mathbf{y} = y_{k})$$

$$= \sum_{i,j,k}x_{i}x_{j}\operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{x} = x_{i}|\mathbf{y} = y_{k})\operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{x} = x_{j},\mathbf{y} = y_{k})$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}])^2] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum_i x_i \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i|\mathbf{y})\right)^2\right] \\ &= \sum_k (\sum_i x_i \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i|\mathbf{y} = y_k))^2 \Pr(\mathbf{y} = y_k) \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k} x_i x_j \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i|\mathbf{y} = y_k) \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_j|\mathbf{y} = y_k) \Pr(\mathbf{y} = y_k) \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k} x_i x_j \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i|\mathbf{y} = y_k) \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_j, \mathbf{y} = y_k) \end{split}$$

所以

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}\,\mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}|\mathsf{y}]] = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}|\mathsf{y}])^2] \tag{4}$$

iv. 对离散型随机变量证明全方差公式 (Law of Total Variance) 用到全期望公式 (Law of Total Expectation):

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}|\mathsf{y}]] = \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}] \tag{5}$$

$$\operatorname{Var}(\mathsf{x}) = \sum_{i} (x_i - \mathbb{E}(\mathsf{x}))^2 \Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i)$$
 (6)

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{Var}(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}^2] - (\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}])^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}^2|\mathbf{y}]] - (\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}]])^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\operatorname{Var}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}] + (\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}])^2] - (\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}]])^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\operatorname{Var}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}]] + \operatorname{Var}[\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}]] \end{split}$$

(b) i.
$$\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{y}-\alpha)^2] = \alpha^2 - 2\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}]\alpha + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}]^2 \tag{7}$$
 由二次函数极值的性质,当 $\alpha = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}]$ 时 $\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{y}-\alpha)^2]$ 最小,此时 $\mathrm{MSE}(\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}]) = \mathrm{Var}(\mathbf{y})$

ii.

$$\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})^2] = \sum_{i} \left(\sum_{j} (y_j - \hat{\mathbf{y}}(x_i))^2 \Pr(\mathbf{y} = y_j | \mathbf{x} = x_i) \right) \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i)$$
(8)

故只需对每一个 $Pr(x = x_i)$, 极小化

$$\left(\sum_{j} (y_j - f(x_i))^2 \Pr(\mathsf{y} = y_j | \mathsf{x} = x_i)\right) \tag{9}$$

目标函数可化为如下形式:

$$\mathcal{F}(f) = f(x_i)^2 - 2\mathbb{E}[\mathsf{y}|\mathsf{x} = x_i]f(x_i) + c, f: \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}$$
 (10)

由第一问结论:

$$\underset{f:\mathcal{X}\to\mathbb{R}}{\arg\min}\,\mathcal{F}(f) = \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{y}|\mathsf{x} = x_i] \tag{11}$$

从而有

$$\underset{f:\mathcal{X}\to\mathbb{R}}{\arg\min}\,\mathbb{E}[(\mathsf{y}-f(\mathsf{x}))^2] = \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{y}|\mathsf{x}] \tag{12}$$

由(8)式得估计的 MSE 为

$$MSE(\mathbb{E}[y|x]) = \sum_{i} Var(y|x = x_i) Pr(x = x_i) = \mathbb{E}[Var(y|x)]$$
 (13)

iii. 由全方差公式

$$\mathbb{E}[\operatorname{Var}(y|x)] = \operatorname{Var}(y) - \operatorname{Var}(\mathbb{E}[y|x]) \tag{14}$$

若 x 与 y 相互独立, $\mathbb{E}[y|x] = \mathbb{E}[y]$ 为常数,因此 $\mathrm{Var}(\mathbb{E}[y|x]) = 0$,所以 $\mathbb{E}[\mathrm{Var}(y|x)] = \mathrm{Var}(y)$,即

$$MSE(\mathbb{E}[y]) = MSE(\mathbb{E}[y|x]) \tag{15}$$

若上式成立,可知 $\mathbb{E}[y|x] = \mathbb{E}[y]$ 为常数,即

$$\forall i, \sum_{j} y_j \Pr(\mathsf{y} = y_j | \mathsf{x} = x_i) = \sum_{j} y_j \Pr(\mathsf{y} = y_j)$$
 (16)

上式两边同时乘以 $\mathbb{E}[f(x)]$ 可得

$$\sum_{i,j} f(x_i) y_j \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i, \mathbf{y} = y_j) = \left(\sum_i f(x_i) \Pr(\mathbf{x} = x_i)\right) \left(\sum_j y_j \Pr(\mathbf{y} = y_j)\right)$$
(17)

即 $\mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{y}] = \mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{x})] \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}]$ 所以 $\forall f, \rho(f(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}) = 0$

1.2. (a)

$$\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{y} - a\mathbf{x} - b)^2] == a^2 \, \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}^2] + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}^2] + b^2 - 2a \, \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}] - 2b \, \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}] + 2ab \, \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] \tag{18}$$

对 a,b 求偏导得:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}^2]a + \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}]b = & \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}\mathsf{y}] \\ \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}]a + b = & \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{y}] \end{cases}$$
(19)

从而解出,并考虑到 $Var(x) = Var(y) = \sqrt{Var(x) Var(y)}$:

$$a = \frac{\mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}\mathsf{y}] - \mathbb{E}[\mathsf{x}]\,\mathbb{E}[\mathsf{y}]}{\mathrm{Var}(\mathsf{x})} = \rho(\mathsf{x},\mathsf{y}) \tag{20}$$

(b) $x \perp y \iff \Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i, \mathsf{y} = y_j) = \Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i) \Pr(\mathsf{y} = y_j)$ (21) 所以当 x 与 y 独立时

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[f(\mathsf{x})g(\mathsf{y})] &= \sum_{i,j} f(x_i)g(\mathsf{y}_j) \Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i, \mathsf{y} = y_j) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} f(x_i)g(y_j) \Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i) \Pr(\mathsf{y} = y_j) \\ &= \left(\sum_i f(x_i) \Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i)\right) \left(\sum_i g(y_j) \Pr(\mathsf{y} = x_j)\right) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[f(\mathsf{x})] \, \mathbb{E}[g(\mathsf{y})] \end{split}$$

即
$$\forall f,g,\rho(f(\mathsf{x}),g(\mathsf{y}))=0$$
 另一方面,若 $\forall f,g,\rho(f(\mathsf{x}),g(\mathsf{y}))=0$ 。取 $f=1_{\mathsf{x}=x_i},g=1_{\mathsf{y}=y_j}$,则由 $\mathbb{E}[f(\mathsf{x})g(\mathsf{y})]=\mathbb{E}[f(\mathsf{x})]\,\mathbb{E}[g(\mathsf{y})]$ 可以推出

$$Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i, \mathsf{y} = y_j) = Pr(\mathsf{x} = x_i) Pr(\mathsf{y} = y_j)$$
 (22)

所以 x 与 y 相互独立。

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