

Homework 5

Due Thursday, 9/24/20

This homework goes through the most important properties of the “hat” matrix. Throughout this problem set, the matrix $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ is assumed to be a non-random, full rank matrix with $p \leq n$. In simple linear regression, $p = 2$. We let $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be any vector and define

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T, \quad \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{H}.$$

I have also provided some definitions and properties below that will be useful throughout the problem set.

- Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then the **2-norm** $\|\cdot\|_2$ is defined as $(\|\mathbf{x}\|_2)^2 = \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$.
- Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. The **image** of \mathbf{A} is defined as

$$\text{Im}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

This is also called the **column space** of \mathbf{A} or the **span** of the columns of \mathbf{A} .

- Suppose $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function. Then $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x})$ is defined as

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

- The **trace** of a matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is defined as $\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{A}_{ii}$. If $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} , then $\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$. You may find this useful in problem 3(c).

1. Deriving \mathbf{H} in ordinary least squares.

- (a) Let $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and define

$$f(\mathbf{B}) = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{B})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{B}).$$

Use the properties on slide 12 of Lecture 8 to show that

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$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^p} f(\mathbf{B}) = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}.$$

- (b) Let $\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} = \mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}$ be the predicted values and estimated residuals. Show that $\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}$ and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Y}$.

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prove $\text{im}(H) \subset \text{im}(X)$: let a random vector in $\text{im}(H) \Rightarrow$ use brackets \Rightarrow it is in $\text{im}(X)$
 prove $\text{im}(X) \subset \text{im}(H)$: let a random vector in $\text{im}(X) \Rightarrow$ it has form of X times a $p \times 1$ vector, this vector can be constructed by multiplying the $p \times n$ part of H with a $n \times 1$ random vector

2. The action of H .

- Use the definition of H to show that $\text{Im}(H) = \text{Im}(X)$.
- Show that H and Q are symmetric, idempotent and orthogonal to one another. That is, show
 - $H = H^T$ and $Q = Q^T$.
 - $H^2 = H$ and $Q^2 = Q$.
 - $HQ = 0$.
- Use parts (a) and (b) to show that H projects vectors in \mathbb{R}^n onto the image of X , AND is an **orthogonal projection matrix**. That is, prove the following:
 - If $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then $Hv \in \text{Im}(X)$. If $u \in \text{Im}(X)$, then $Hu = u$.
 - Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then Hv is the closest vector in $\text{Im}(X)$ to v . That is,

$$Hv = \arg \min_{u \in \text{Im}(X)} \|v - u\|_2^2.$$

(Hint: write $v - u$ as $v - u = H(v - u) + Q(v - u)$ and expand $\|v - u\|_2^2$.)

- The eigen-decomposition of H and Q . For this part, let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ be the eigenvalues of H . Note a consequence of 2(a) is $\text{rank}(H) = \text{rank}(X)$.
 - Use the fact that H is idempotent to show that $\lambda_i = 0$ or $\lambda_i = 1$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. In terms of n and p , how many eigenvalues are 1 and how many are 0?
 - If $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are the eigenvalues of H , what are the eigenvalues of Q ?
 - Use parts (a) and (b) to show that $\text{Tr}(H) = p$ and $\text{Tr}(Q) = n - p$.
- Now suppose $Y = X\beta + \epsilon$ for some constant $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$, where $\mathbb{E}(\epsilon) = 0$ and $\text{Var}(\epsilon) = \sigma^2 I_n$. Note that in simple linear regression, $p = 2$.
 - Use the definition of $\hat{\beta}$, derived in 1(a), to show that $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}) = \beta$.
 - Recall that for two random vectors $W, Z \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\text{Cov}(W, Z) = \mathbb{E} \left[\{W - \mathbb{E}(W)\} \{Z - \mathbb{E}(Z)\}^T \right] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}.$$

Use 2(b) to show that $\text{Cov}(\hat{Y}, \hat{\epsilon}) = 0$.

- PhD problem:** Does 3(b) hold if $\text{Var}(\epsilon)$ is not a multiple of the identity matrix?
- PhD problem:** Now assume $\epsilon \sim N(0_n, \sigma^2 I_n)$.

- Show that part (b) implies $(\hat{Y}, \hat{\epsilon})$ is independent of $\hat{\epsilon}$
- Is (i) true if $\text{Var}(\epsilon)$ is not a multiple of the identity matrix?
- If $\epsilon \sim N(0_n, \sigma^2 I_n)$, what would you expect to see if you plotted \hat{Y} vs. $\hat{\epsilon}$? Explain.