

Home Work 1, due Sunday, Oct 20, 11:59 pm

Consider polynomial regression where we regress over powers of x , so we look at model M_n of the form

$$y = w_0 + w_1x + w_2x^2 + \cdots + w_nx^n + \sigma^2\mathcal{N}(0, I), \underline{n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, K - 1}$$

Given a data set $\mathcal{D} = \{(y_i, x_i)\}_{i=0,1,2,\dots,N-1}$. We want to compute

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{n=0,1,\dots,K-1} p(M_n|\mathcal{D})$$

By Bayes' formula

$$p(M_n|\mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D}|M_n)p(M_n)}{p(\mathcal{D})}$$

We set the prior $p(M_n) = 1/K, \underline{n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, K - 1}$

Thus

$$p(M_n|\mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D}|M_n)}{Kp(\mathcal{D})}$$

so

$$\operatorname{argmax}_n p(M_n|\mathcal{D}) = \operatorname{argmax}_n p(\mathcal{D}|M_n)$$

$p(\mathcal{D}|M_n)$ is known as the *Model Evidence*. We can express it as a marginal distribution where we marginalize over the parameters of the model

$$p(\mathcal{D}|M_n) = \int \underbrace{p(\mathcal{D}|w, M_n)p(w|M_n)}_{\text{joint distribution of } \mathcal{D} \text{ and } w} dw$$

a) Verify this formula

Let X_n denote the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 & \dots & x_0^n \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{N-1} & x_{N-1}^2 & \dots & x_{N-1}^n \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$p(\mathcal{D}|w, M_n) = \frac{p(y, X, w, M_n)}{p(w, M_n)} = p(y|X, w, M_n)p(X, w|M_n)$$

X and w are independent so $p(X, w|M_n) = P(X)p(w|M_n)$ where $p(w|M_n)$ is a prior on the $n+1$ -dimensional parameter vector w .

$$p(y|X, w, M_n) = \mathcal{N}(w^T X_n, \sigma^2 I_N)$$

Thus

$$p(\mathcal{D}|M_n) = p(X) \int \mathcal{N}(y; w^T X_n, \sigma^2 I_N) p(w|M_n) dw$$

We put a $\mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_p)$ prior on w , where Σ_p is an $n \times n$ positive definite covariance matrix.

b) Show that

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} (y - X_n w)^T (y - X_n w) + w^T \Sigma_p^{-1} w = (w - \mu)^T A^{-1} (w - \mu) + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(y^T y - \frac{1}{\sigma^2} y^T X_n A^T X_n^T y \right)$$

where

$$A = \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T X_n + \Sigma_p^{-1} \right)^{-1}$$

and

$$\mu = \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T X_n + \Sigma_p^{-1} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T y \right) = A \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T y \right)$$

We have

$$\mathcal{N}(y; X_n w, \sigma^2 I_N) = \frac{1}{2\pi^{N/2}} \frac{1}{(\det \sigma^2 I_N)^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X_n w)^T (y - X_n w) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{N}(w; 0, \Sigma_p) = \frac{1}{2\pi^{(n+1)/2}} \frac{1}{(\det \Sigma_p)^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (w^T \Sigma_p^{-1} w) \right)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{N}(w; A \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T y \right), A) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi^{(n+1)/2}} \frac{1}{(\det A)^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(w - A \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T y \right) \right)^T A^{-1} \left(w - A \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T y \right) \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

c) Show

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}(y; X_n w, \sigma^2 I_N) \mathcal{N}(w; 0, \Sigma_p) &= \frac{1}{2\pi^{N/2}} \frac{1}{(\det \sigma^2 I_N)^{1/2}} \frac{1}{2\pi^{(n+1)/2}} \frac{1}{(\det \Sigma_p)^{1/2}} \\ & \quad (2\pi)^{(n+1)/2} (\det A)^{1/2} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} y^T \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} I_N - \frac{1}{\sigma^4} X_n^T A X_n \right) y \right) \\ & \quad \mathcal{N}(w; A \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X_n^T y \right), A) \end{aligned}$$

d) Show

$$\int \mathcal{N}(y; X_n w, \sigma^2 I_N) \mathcal{N}(w; 0, \Sigma_p) = \frac{\sqrt{\det A}}{(2\pi)^{N/2} \sigma^N \sqrt{\det \Sigma_p}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} y^T \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} I_N - \frac{1}{\sigma^4} X_n^T A X_n \right) y \right)$$

e) Use the data set `polynomial_reg.csv` and compute R^2 for polynomial regressions of degrees 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. Use $\sigma^2 = 1$ and $\Sigma_p = 0.85 I_{n+1}$ and the formulas derived in the previous sections to compute $\arg\max_n p(M_n | \mathcal{D})$ and run the regression for that degree. You may find it helpful to use the package

`sklearn.preprocessing PolynomialFeatures`