

Problem 1. Re-transform linear regression to LaTeX. Prove that $t = y(x, \omega) + noise \rightarrow \omega = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{t}$

1 Solution

We have:

$$y = w_0 + w_1 * x_1 + w_2 * x_2 + \dots + w_i * x_i$$

Suppose that the observations are drawn independently from a Gaussian distribution.

$$t = y(x, w) + N(0, \beta^{-1}) \Rightarrow t = N(y(x, w), \beta^{-1}) \quad (1)$$

With $\beta = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$

$$p(t|x, w, \beta) = N(y(x, w), \beta^{-1}) \quad (2)$$

We now use the training data \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t} to determine the values of the unknown parameters \mathbf{w} and by maximum likelihood. If the data are assumed to be drawn independently from the distribution then the likelihood function:

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^N N(y(x_n, w), \beta^{-1})$$

It is convenient to maximize the logarithm of the likelihood function:

$$\begin{aligned} \log p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, \beta) &= \sum_{n=1}^N \log(N(y(x_n, w), \beta^{-1})) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N \log\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta^{-1}}} e^{-\frac{(t_n - y(x_n, w))^2 \beta}{2}}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N \left[\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\beta^{-1}) - \frac{(t_n - y(x_n, w))^2 \beta}{2} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Since $\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\beta^{-1})$ & $\frac{\beta}{2}$ are just the numbers, so we ignore them and optimize the remain element $-\sum_{n=1}^N (t_n - y(x_n, w))^2$. Concretely, we minimize $(t_n - y(x_n, w))^2$. So,

$$\mathbf{L} = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{n=1}^N (t_n - y(x_n, w))^2 \quad (1)$$

We also have:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{bmatrix}, w = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \end{bmatrix}, y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \dots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = xw = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 + w_1 x_1 \\ \dots \\ w_0 + w_1 x_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Replace y in (1) by xw in (2). To minimize the loss function \mathbf{L} , its derivative equal to 0.

$$\frac{\delta L}{\delta w} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\delta L}{\delta w_0} \\ \frac{\delta L}{\delta w_1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t - xw \\ x(t - xw) \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (4)$$

Equivalently,

$$x^T(t - xw) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^T t - x^T x w = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^T t = x^T x w \quad (7)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow w = (x^T x)^{-1} x^T t \quad (8)$$

Problem 2. Prove that $X^T X$ invertible when X full rank.

Solution

If X is full rank, all the vectors that are in X will be linear independent.

Suppose $X^T v = 0 \rightarrow X X^T v = 0$

Conversely, suppose that $X X^T v = 0 \rightarrow v^T X X^T v = 0$, equivalent to $(X^T v)^T (X^T v) = 0$. This implies $X^T v = 0$

Hence, we have proved that $X^T v = 0 \Leftrightarrow v$ is in the nullspace of $X X^T$.

But $X^T v = 0$ and $v \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow X$ has linearly dependent rows.

Thus $X X^T$ has nullspace 0 $\Leftrightarrow X$ has linearly independent rows.