

Linear regression exercise

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In []: using Gadfly, Distributions
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We first define the polynomial basis function: $\phi_{\text{poly}} = [1, x, x^2, \dots, x^d]$

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In []: phi_poly(x,d) = x.^((0:d)')           # polynomial basis function
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The maximum likelihood estimator can be written as $w_{\text{MLE}} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$

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In []: wMLE(xtrain, ytrain, phi) = begin
      Xtrain = phi(xtrain)
      wpred  = (Xtrain' * Xtrain) \ (Xtrain' * ytrain)
end
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Finally, we define a function for the mean squared error.

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In []: mse(yest, ytrue) = mean((yest-ytrue).^2)
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For convenience we pack everything into some clever .

Note that the arguments wpred and phi are functions.

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In []: lrplot(x, y, w, phi, titleprefix="") = begin
      n      = 100           # number of test points
      xline  = linspace(minimum(x), maximum(x), 100)
      yline  = phi(xline)*w
      yerr   = mse(phi(x)*w, y)
      plot(layer(x=x,      y=y,      Geom.point),
           layer(x=xline , y=yline, Geom.line),
           Guide.title("$titleprefix error $yerr"))
end
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Example with toy data

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In []: readtt(fname) = begin
      x = readdlm(fname, ',')
      (x[:,1], x[:,2])
end
xtrain, ytrain = readtt("TrainingSet1D.csv")
xtest , ytest  = readtt("TestSet1D.csv")
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Fit via MLE and compare training and test error

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In []: phi(x) = phi_poly(x, 1)           # define a basis function
w      = wMLE(xtrain, ytrain, phi)
set_default_plot_size(25cm, 10cm)
hstack(lrplot(xtrain, ytrain, w, phi, "training"), lrplot(xtest, ytest, w, phi, "test"))
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