

## A.0: Conceptual Questions

### A.0.a

False. a large value of  $w_i$  can be caused by overfitting. The error will only increase if it's proven that the features of "Number of Bathrooms" is not having collinearity with other features, or it's the last feature that goes to zero as we increase the lambda value for Ridge Regression.

Another way to think about it is, assume that there is another feature says: "The size of bath room", then in that case, this feature is essentially the same as the removed feature: "Number of Bathrooms", removing it will not have a huge impact on the amount of errors for the model.

### A.0.b

The L1 norm is more likely because the derivative of  $w_j$  is  $\pm 1$ , which means that it's not related to the actual value of  $w_j$ . Therefore, which ever has the most amount of reduction on the error, that  $w_j$  is getting pushed to zero.

Or, use professor's Simon's way of doing it, the L1 Norm  $\|w\|_1$  forms a simplex situated around the origin. If the optimal is not inside of the simplex, then the algorithm will always goes to the vertex of the simplex to optimize it, and going to the vertex of the L1 Ball is setting one of the features to zero.

### A.0.c

The regularizer  $\sum_i |w|^{0.5}$  promotes sparsity because the region  $\sum_i |w|^{0.5} = 1$  is very pointy but this is also a bad regularizer because such region is not convex, potentially given multiple solutions, or, making gradient descent slow.

### A.0.d

True, assume it's so large thta it just shoots out of the convex region.

### A.0.e

It works by randomly sample a batch, and we know that the sampled samples are likely to be representative of the whole sample, and in that way, the gradient computed is pointing, somewhat, in the correct direction. The dot product between the gradient given by FIRST iteration GSD and the best Gradient direction is always positive. This is true because the first iteration will always pull the  $w_j$  into the range where the data is located in.

This is made reasonable by consider extreme choices of sample  $x_i$  that gives maximal, or minimal value of predictor, and this quantity will be bounded. Hence, the first few descent step will always pull the model into that range.

### A.0.f

SGD is faster to compute compare to GD becausit only uses a few samples but it's less likely to have a clear convergence near the optimal because it's random.

## A.1: Convexity and Norms

Here is the axioms for norms, let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $\|\bullet\|$  be the norm operator, then it must satisfy:

1.  $\|x\| > 0$
2.  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$

3.  $\|ax\| = |a|\|x\|$

### A.1.a

**Objective:** Show that  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$  is a norm.

1. It's always positive because:

$$\begin{aligned} |x_i| &\geq 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n \\ \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| &> 0 \\ \|x\| &\geq 0 \end{aligned} \tag{A.1.a.1}$$

2. The triangle inequality is always true. Let's take 2 vectors  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and for each of their corresponding elements, we can apply the triangle inequality for absolute value, which is:

$$\begin{aligned} |x_i + y_i| &\leq |x_i| + |y_i| \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n \\ \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i + y_i| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| + \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i| \\ \|x + y\| &\leq \|x\| + \|y\| \end{aligned} \tag{A.1.a.2}$$

3. And the absolute scalar it's like:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha x\| &= \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha x_i| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha| |x_i| \\ &= |\alpha| \|x\| \end{aligned} \tag{A.1.a.3}$$

### A.1.b

Let's consider the case when:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 9 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \tag{A.1.b.1}$$

Then let's compute:

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \implies \|x + y\| &= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 4 \end{aligned} \tag{A.1.b.2}$$

However:

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\| &= \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{9}} \right)^2 = \frac{4}{9} \\ \|y\| &= \left( 2 \times \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{32}{9} \\ \|x\| + \|y\| &= \frac{4}{9} + \frac{32}{9} = \frac{36}{9} = 4 < 4 = \|x + y\| \end{aligned} \tag{A.1.b.3}$$

This is a contradiction, therefore this cannot be a way of computing norm.

## A.2

### A.2.I

This is not convex because a the intersection of the line connecting point  $b, c$  are not the whole line. A section of the line lies outside of the shaded region.

### A.2.II

Triangle is a convex. Any line segment defined by 2 points in the triangle is inside the triangle

### A.2.III

It's not convex. Line segment connection A  $a, b$  lies outside of the shape.

## A.3

### A.3.a

It's convex because  $f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y) \forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$  is true. All the line segment defined via 2 points on the function lies above the function, which can be easily verified graphically.

### A.3.b

The function is not convex because  $f(\frac{b+c}{2}) > \frac{1}{2}f(b) + \frac{1}{2}f(c)$ . The mid point of the line segment defined by  $f(b), f(c)$  below the function value at the mid point.

### A.3.c

The midpoint of the line segment defined by  $f(a), f(c)$  lies below the function evaluated at the mid point of the function.

### A.3.d

The function III is convex on  $[c, d]$ . It can be verified visually.

## A.4

This is the code for producing plots in A.4:

File name: "lasso.py" File Content:

```
"""
This code is for CSE 546, Spring 2021, Question A4.
Author: Hongda Alto Li, Github Account: iluvjava.
Please don't copy my code cause my code is well crafted and has my style in it.
"""
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import numpy as np

array = np.array
zeros = np.zeros
norm = np.linalg.norm
inf = np.inf
mean = np.mean
sum = np.sum
abs = np.abs
sign = np.sign
ones = np.ones
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max = np.max
randn = np.random.randn

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

plot = plt.plot
xscale = plt.xscale
show = plt.show
title = plt.title
xlabel = plt.xlabel
ylabel = plt.ylabel
legend = plt.legend
saveas = plt.savefig

class LassoRegression:

    def __init__(this, regularization_lambda, delta=1e-3, verbose=False):
        """
        create an instance of Lasso fit
        :param regularization_lambda:
            The lambda for L2 norm
        :param delta:
            The tolerance for measuring the convergence of the w parameter for
            coordinate descend.
        :param verbose:
            Whether to print out all the message when doing the coordinate
            descend.
        """
        this.Lambda = regularization_lambda
        this.Verbose = verbose
        this.Delta = delta
        this._weights = None
        this._b = None

    def fit(this, X, y):
        """
        Fit that data.
        NOTE: Data standardization is not used.
        :param X:
            Row data matrix. Should be n by d where n is the number of samples
            and d is the number of features.
        :param y:
            Label vector, strictly on dimensional.
        :return:
            This model.
        """
        assert type(X) is np.ndarray and type(y) is np.ndarray, \
            "Must use numpy array to train the lasso."
        assert len(X.shape) == 2 and len(y.shape) == 1, \
            "X must be row data matrix, " \
            "_2d_and_y must be a 1d vector, numerical."
        assert X.shape[0] == y.shape[0], \
            "The number of rows of X must equal to the number elements in y."
        MaxItr = 10000
        n, d = X.shape[0], X.shape[1]
        y2d = y[:, np.newaxis]
        deltaW = this.Delta * ones((d, 1)) * 1.1 # Amount of changes for each predictor
        # while iterating
        w = zeros((d, 1)) if (this._weights is None) else \
            this._weights.copy() # Use previous for optimization if
        l = this.Lambda # model is asked to optimize for a
        Itr = 0 # second time.
        while norm(deltaW, inf) > this.Delta and Itr < MaxItr:
            Itr += 1
            b = mean(y2d - X @ w) # compute offset vector.
            a = 2 * sum(X ** 2, axis=0) # compute all the k at once, because
            # it's not related to w_k

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        for k in range(d):
            a_k = a[k]
            Indices = [J for J in range(d) if J != k]
            c_k = 2 * sum(
                X[:, [k]]
                *
                (y2d - (b + X[:, Indices] @ w[Indices]))
            )
            w_k = 0 if (abs(c_k) < 1) else (c_k - sign(c_k) * 1) / a_k
            deltaW[k, ...] = abs(w_k - w[k, ...])
            w[k] = w_k
            this._print(f"delta_w_is:{deltaW.reshape(-1)}")
            this._print(f"lambda_is:{this.Lambda}")
        if MaxItr == Itr:
            raise Exception("Coordinate_descent_Max_Itr_reached"
                            "_without_converging")

    this._weights = w
    this._b = b
    return this

def predict(this, X):
    if this.w is None:
        raise Exception("Can't predict on a lasso that is not trained yet")
    d = this.w.shape[0]
    assert d == X.shape[1], \
        "The number of features used to predict doesn't match" \
        "_with_what_is_trained_on_"
    return X @ this.w + this.b

@property
def w(this): # get the weights of the model.
    return this._weights.copy()

@property
def b(this): # Get the offset of the model.
    return this._b.copy()

def _print(this, mesg): # print out the message if
    if this.Verbose: print(mesg) # in verbose mode.

def LassoLambdaMax(X, y):
    """
        Given the samples matrix and the labels, the function returns
        the minimal lambda such that after running the lasso algorithm,
        all the features model parameters will be set to zeros by this lambda.
    :param X:
        This is the row data matrix, n by d matrix.
    :param y:
        This is label vector, 1d vector with a length of d.
    :return:
    """
    assert type(X) is np.ndarray and type(y) is np.ndarray, \
        "Must use numpy array to train the lasso."
    assert len(X.shape) == 2 and len(y.shape) == 1, \
        "X must be row data matrix, 2d and y must be a 1d vector, numerical."
    assert X.shape[0] == y.shape[0], \
        "The number of rows of X must equal to the number elements in y."
    y = y[:, np.newaxis]
    return max(2 * abs(X.T @ (y - mean(y))))

def GetLassoSyntheticTestdata(n: int, d: int, k: int, sigma=1):
    assert (n > 0) and (d > 0) and (k > 0), \
        "n, d, k all have to be larger than zeros"
    assert k < n, "k has to be < n"
    WTruth = array([JJ / k if JJ <= k else 0 for JJ in range(1, d + 1)]
                    , dtype=np.float)[:, np.newaxis]

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Noise = np.random.randn(n, 1) * sigma
X = randn(n, d) # std normal for best stability of the
# coordinate descend algorithm.
return X, (X @ WTruth + Noise).reshape(-1), WTruth

def A4a_b():
    # Part (a)
    n, d, k = 500, 1000, 100
    X, y, Wtrue = GetLassoSyntheticTestdata(n, d, k)
    LambdaMax = LassoLambdaMax(X, y)
    Ws = []
    # Feature Chosen for each lambda
    Lfc = [] # lambda and features count
    Lambda = LambdaMax
    r = 2
    Model = None
    while len(Lfc) == 0 or Lfc[-1][1] < d:
        if Model is None:
            Model = LassoRegression(regularization_lambda=Lambda) # Initialize the Model
            Model.Lambda = Lambda # Update the lambda
            Model.fit(X, y) # fit with the data
            NonZeros = sum(Model.w != 0) # Count the non-zeros
            Ws.append(Model.w) # collect the model parameters
            print(f"NonZeros:_{NonZeros}")
            Lfc.append((Lambda, NonZeros)) # append lambda and non-zeros
            Lambda /= 2 # update lambda
    plot([_[0] for _ in Lfc], [_[1] for _ in Lfc], "ko")
    xscale("log")
    xlabel(f"$\lambda$, reduction ratio:_{r}")
    ylabel("Non_Zeroes_$w_j$")
    title("A4:_Nonezeros_$w_j$_vs_$\lambda$_for_$\text{Lasso}$")
    plt.savefig("A4a-plot.png")
    show()

    # Part (b)
    # The first k elements in Wtrue is always going to be non-zeroes.
    # FDR: (Incorrect Nonzeroes in w_hat)/(total number of nonzeroes in w_hat)
    # TPR: (# of correct non-zeroes in w_hat)/(k)

    WTrueNonZeroes = Wtrue != 0
    FDR = []
    TPR = []
    Lambdas = [_[0] for _ in Lfc]
    for WWhat in Ws:
        WWhatNonZeros = WWhat != 0
        if sum(WWhatNonZeros) == 0:
            Lambdas.pop(0)
            continue
        FDR.append(sum(WWhatNonZeros * ~WTrueNonZeroes) / sum(WWhatNonZeros))
        TPR.append(sum(WWhatNonZeros[:100]) / k)
    plot(FDR, TPR)
    title("FDR_vs_TPR")
    xlabel("FDR")
    ylabel("TPR")
    plt.savefig("A4b-plot.png")
    show()

def main():
    def SimpleTest():
        N, d = 40, 4
        X = np.random.rand(N, d)
        Noise = np.random.randn(N, 1) * 1e-3
        Wtrue = np.random.randint(0, 100, (d, 1))
        y = X @ Wtrue + Noise
        y = y.reshape(-1)

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LambdaMax = LassoLambdaMax(X, y)
print(f"LambdaMax:_{LambdaMax}")

Model = LassoRegression(regularization_lambda=LambdaMax)
Model.fit(X, y)
print(Model.w)
print(Model.b)

Model = LassoRegression(regularization_lambda=LambdaMax / 2)
Model.fit(X, y)
print(Model.w)
print(Model.b)

Model = LassoRegression(regularization_lambda=0)
Model.fit(X, y)
print(Model.w)
print(Model.b)

A4a_b()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    import os

    print(f"cwd:_{os.getcwd()}")
    print(f"dir:_{os.curdir}")
    main()

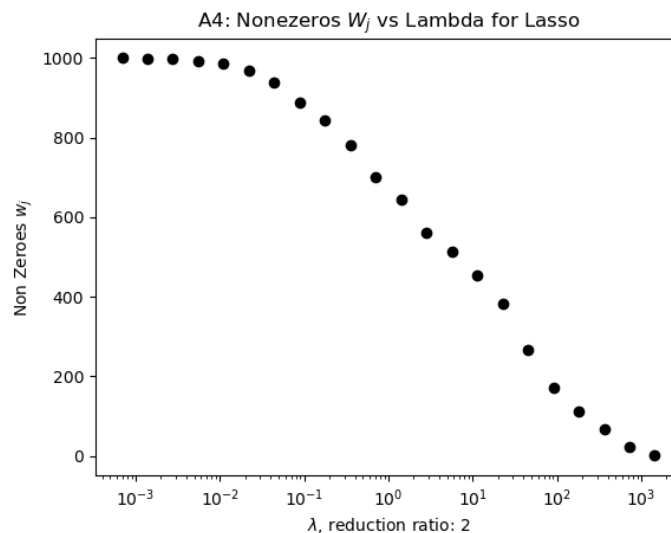
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## A.4.a

Distribution use for  $x$ :

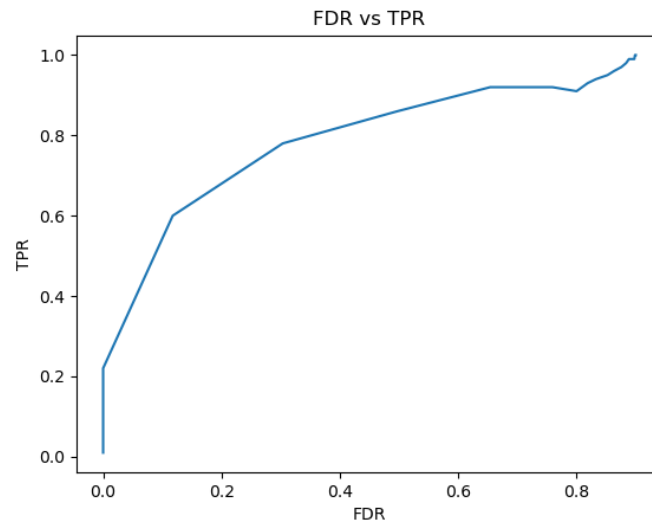
$$x_i \sim \mathbf{N}(0, 1)$$

This is used because it's already standardized. I hope it works well for the purpose of the HW.  
Reduction ratio used for lambda is: 1/1.1



Lambda is reduced all the way until the number of non-zeroes entries went over  $k$ .

## A.4.b



This is produced from exactly the same set of  $\lambda$  and  $\hat{w}^{(i)}$  with part (a) of this question for consistency.

## A.4.c

The quantity of FDR doesn't drop to zero as the number of non-zero terms just went over  $k$ , but it drops as we increase regularization.

Unfortunately, the TPR got dropped as we increase  $\lambda$  as well.

**Note:** There are some amount of variance between different runs of the code, but the trend on the graph is mostly the same.

## A.5

### A.5.a

**Objective:** List 3 features from the dataset that can be affected by historical policies choices. Most of the features are about populations, with a standardized measurements.

1. There is a cluster of immigrations related features:

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-- PctImmigRecent: percentage of _immigrants_ who immigrated within last 3 years (numeric - decimal)
-- PctImmigRec5: percentage of _immigrants_ who immigrated within last 5 years (numeric - decimal)
-- PctImmigRec8: percentage of _immigrants_ who immigrated within last 8 years (numeric - decimal)
-- PctImmigRec10: percentage of _immigrants_ who immigrated within last 10 years (numeric - decimal)
-- PctRecentImmig: percent of _population_ who have immigrated within the last 3 years (numeric - decimal)
-- PctRecImmig5: percent of _population_ who have immigrated within the last 5 years (numeric - decimal)
-- PctRecImmig8: percent of _population_ who have immigrated within the last 8 years (numeric - decimal)
-- PctRecImmig10: percent of _population_ who have immigrated within the last 10 years (numeric - decimal)
```

These are determined by Federal Policies.



2. There is another cluster of police department related stats.

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-- PolicBudgPerPop: police operating budget per population (numeric - decimal)
```

which are dependent on the state policies.

These 2 clusters of features are related to Federal and State Policies, which will introduce variability across time, and space. There are a third cluster, which are related on household income of different demographics, but I am not sure how relevant they are.

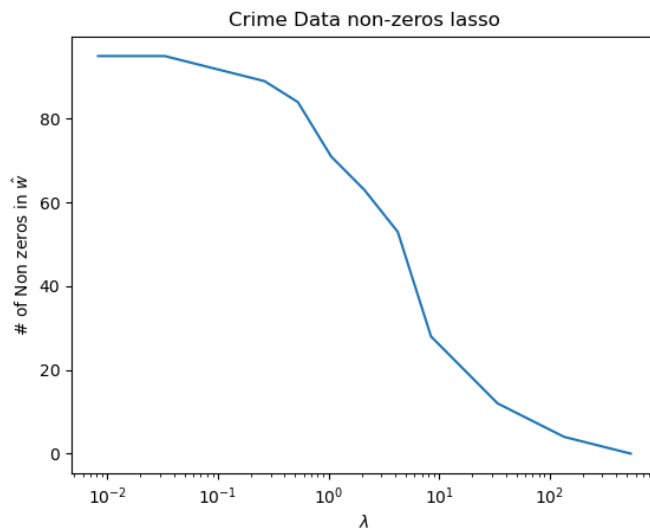
#### A.4.b

Homeless, educatons, and poverty might be the reasons. And there are several clusters of features for these board categories.

1. -- NumUnderPov: number of people under the poverty level (numeric - decimal)  
-- PctPopUnderPov: percentage of people under the poverty level (numeric - decimal)  
  
-- NumInShelters: number of people in homeless shelters (numeric - decimal)  
-- NumStreet: number of homeless people counted in the street (numeric - decimal)
3. -- PctLess9thGrade: percentage of people 25 and over with less than a 9th grade education (numeric - decimal)

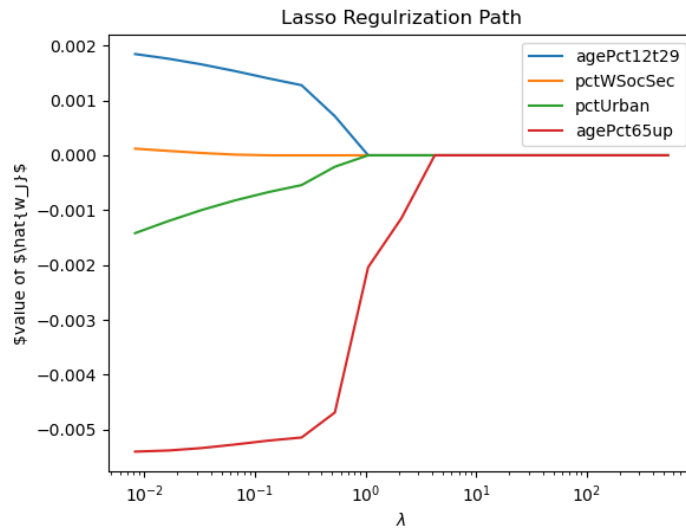
#### A.5.c

The number of non-zeros in the lasso coefficients vector  $w$  decreases as the Regularization parameter increases. Here is the plot:



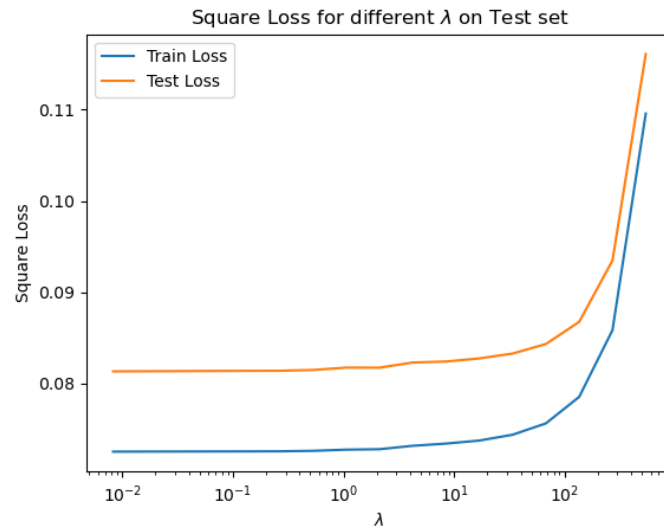
#### A.5.d

This is the regularization path:



### A.5.e

The error increases as the size of the regularization parameters increases. Here is the plot:



### A.5.f

At a value of  $\lambda = 30$ , the largest lasso coefficient is identified to be: "NumIlleg" at a value of: "0.06872529", which is: "number of kids born to never married"

The smallest (Most negative) model parameters were identified to be: "PctFam2Par", at a value of "-0.06921581", which is: "percentage of families (with kids) that are headed by two parents".

### A.5.g

The politicians falsely think that, the cause of crime rate is because there are too many young people upon seeing the negative weights placed on "agePct65Up", the key here is that, **correlations doesn't imply causality**. Every statistician knows this.

## A.5.code

filename: "crime\_data\_lasso.py" file content:

```
### Name: Hongda Alto Li
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### This is for A5 of the HW2.
### Don't copy my code this is my code it has my style in it.

from lasso import LassoRegression, np, LassoLambdaMax
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def PrepareData():
    def ReadAndGet(fname):
        df = pd.read_table(fname)
        y = df["ViolentCrimesPerPop"].to_numpy()
        X = df.loc[:, df.columns != "ViolentCrimesPerPop"].to_numpy()
        print(f'{':*10}_File_name:_{fname}_{':*10}')
        print("Features_set_summary")
        print(df.loc[:, df.columns != "ViolentCrimesPerPop"].info())
        print("Labels_set_summary")
        print(df["ViolentCrimesPerPop"])
        print("features_are_already_standardized.")
        return X, y, df
    Xtrain, Ytrain, TrainDf = ReadAndGet("crime-train.txt")
    Xtest, Ytest, TestDf = ReadAndGet("crime-test.txt")
    return Xtrain, Xtest, Ytrain, Ytest, TrainDf, TestDf

def A5PlotsAndShow():
    print("summary_on_the_data:")
    Xtrain, Xtest, Ytrain, Ytest, TrainDf, TestDf = PrepareData()
    def A5c():
        print(f'{':*10}_Running_A5(c),_lambda_non_zeros_count_{':*10}')
        LambdaMax = LassoLambdaMax(Xtrain, Ytrain)
        Lambda = LambdaMax
        Lambdas = []
        Ws = []
        Model = None
        FlagPre, FlagCur = False, False
        while (FlagPre) or (not FlagCur):
            print(f"Using_Lambda:_{Lambda}")
            FlagPre = FlagCur
            FlagCur = Lambda < 0.01
            if Model is None:
                Model = LassoRegression(regularization_lambda=Lambda)
            else:
                Model.Lambda = Lambda
                Model.fit(Xtrain, Ytrain)
                Ws.append(Model.w)
                Lambdas.append(Lambda)
                Lambda /= 2
        NoneZerosCount = [sum(_ != 0) for _ in Ws]
        plt.plot(Lambdas, NoneZerosCount)
        plt.xscale("log")
        plt.title("Crime_Data_non-zeros_lasso")
        plt.xlabel("$\\lambda$")
        plt.ylabel("#_of_Non_zeros_in_$\\hat{w}$")
        plt.savefig("A5a-plot.png")
        plt.show()
        return Ws, Lambdas
    Ws, Lambdas = A5c()

def A5d():
    # Features to pick up: agePct12t29, pctWSocSec, pctUrban, agePct65up
    Features = ["agePct12t29", "pctWSocSec", "pctUrban", "agePct65up"]
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FeaturesIndices = []
for II, Feature in enumerate(TrainDf.columns):
    if Feature in Features: FeaturesIndices.append(II)
FeaturesLassoPath = np.array([w[FeaturesIndices, ...].reshape(-1) for w in Ws])
for II in range(4):
    plt.plot(Lambdas, FeaturesLassoPath[:, II])
plt.legend(Features)
plt.xlabel("$\\lambda$")
plt.ylabel("$value\_of\_\\hat{w}_j$")
plt.xscale("log")
plt.title("Lasso_Regulrization_Path")
plt.savefig("A5d-plot.png")
plt.show()
A5d()

def A5e():
    print(f"'*10}_Running_A5(e),_plotting_the_Squared_Errors_{'*10}")
    X = Xtest[np.newaxis, ...]
    y = Ytest[np.newaxis, ...]
    y = y[...], np.newaxis] # 1 x n x 1
    Ws_local = np.array(Ws) # 1 x d x m
    SquareLoss = np.mean((X @ Ws_local - y) ** 2, axis=1).reshape(-1)
    plt.plot(Lambdas, SquareLoss)
    plt.title("Square_Loss_for_different_\\lambda_on_Test_set")
    plt.xlabel("$\\lambda$")
    plt.ylabel("Square_Loss")
    plt.xscale("log")
    plt.savefig("A5e-plot.png")
    plt.show()

A5e()

def A5f():
    print(f"'*10}_Max,_mean_Model_Parameters_{'*10}")
    Lambda = 30
    Model = LassoRegression(regularization_lambda=Lambda)
    Model.fit(Xtrain, Ytrain)
    w = Model.w
    WLargestIndx = np.argmax(w)
    WSmallestIndx = np.argmin(w)
    print(f"Features_with_the_largest_Lasso_Coefficient_is:{TrainDf.columns[WLargestIndx]}")
    print(f"Features_with_the_smallest_Lasso_Coefficient_is:{TrainDf.columns[WSmallestIndx]}")
    print(f"The_largest_value_is:{w[WLargestIndx,...]}")
    print(f"The_smallest_value_is:{w[WSmallestIndx,...]}")
A5f()

def main():
    A5PlotsAndShow()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    import os
    print(f"script_running_at:{os.getcwd()}")
    print(f"cwd:{os.getcwd()}")
    print(f"script_is_ready_to_run")
    main()

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## A.6

### A.6.a

To find the gradient, we use the idea of automatic differential, by looking at the partial derivative for each of the  $w_i$  and then stack them together into a vertical vector, then we get the gradient for it.

**Note:** I found 2 ways of doing this, both are not beautiful, so I have no idea why we are doing this  $u_i$  things if it can't produce a beautiful form for the gradient.

Here is the objective function, it looks like this:

$$J(w, b) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))) + \lambda \|w\|_2^2 \quad (\text{A.6.a.1})$$

First, let's consider the partial derivative of the objective function through  $\partial_{w_j}[J](w, b)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{w_j}[J](w, b) &= \frac{1}{n} \partial_{w_j} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))) \right] + \lambda \partial_{w_j} \|w\|_2^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\partial_{w_j} [\log(1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w)))] + 2\lambda w_j) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))} \partial_{w_j} [1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))] \right) + 2\lambda w_j \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))}{1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))} \partial_{w_j} [-y_i(b + x_i^T w)] \right) + 2\lambda w_j \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))}{1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))} (-y_i x_{i,j}) \right) + 2\lambda w_j \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{-\exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))}{1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))} (y_i x_{i,j}) \right) + 2\lambda w_j \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \underbrace{\frac{-1}{1 + \exp(y_i(b + x_i^T w))}}_{-u_i(-w, -b)} (y_i x_{i,j}) \right) + 2\lambda w_j \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (-u_i(-w, -b)(y_i x_{i,j})) + 2\lambda w_j \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.6.a.2})$$

And personally, I found a matrix representation of the gradient using the above expression, which will be like:

$$\nabla_w[J](w, b) = \frac{1}{n} X^T \begin{bmatrix} -y_1 u_1(-w, -b) \\ -y_2 u_2(-w, -b) \\ \vdots \\ -y_n u_n(-w, -b) \end{bmatrix} + 2\lambda w \quad \text{Where : } X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T \\ x_2^T \\ \vdots \\ x_n^T \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A.6.a.2.1})$$

**Alternatively**, there is another way of doing it and it will be like:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{w_j}[J](w, b) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))} \partial_{w_j} [1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))] \right) + 2\lambda w_j \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_i(w, b) \partial_{w_j} [u_i](w, b)) + 2\lambda w_j \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.6.a.3})$$

Both are equivalent, and I think the second one is the correct one, and it can be written in matrix form like:

$$\nabla_w[J](w, b) = \frac{1}{n} \begin{bmatrix} \partial_{w_1}[u_1](w, b) & \partial_{w_1}[u_2](w, b) & \cdots & \partial_{w_1}[u_n](w, b) \\ \partial_{w_2}[u_1](w, b) & \partial_{w_2}[u_2](w, b) & \cdots & \partial_{w_2}[u_n](w, b) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \partial_{w_n}[u_1](w, b) & \partial_{w_n}[u_2](w, b) & \cdots & \partial_{w_n}[u_n](w, b) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(w, b) \\ u_2(w, b) \\ \vdots \\ u_n(w, b) \end{bmatrix} + 2\lambda w \quad (\text{A.6.a.3.1})$$

And it's not hard to see that, we have some of gradient going on here:

$$\nabla_w[J](w, b) = \frac{1}{n} \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_w u_1(w, b) & \nabla_w u_2(w, b) & \cdots & \nabla_w u_n(w, b) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(w, b) \\ u_2(w, b) \\ \vdots \\ u_n(w, b) \end{bmatrix} + 2\lambda w \quad (\text{A.6.a.3.2})$$

Next, we would like to supply with the gradient of  $\nabla_w u_i(w, b)$ , which is going to be like:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_w[u_i](w, b) &= \nabla_w [1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))] \\ &= \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w)) \nabla_w [-y_i(b + x_i^T w)] \\ &= -\exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w)) y \circ x_i \end{aligned} \quad (\text{6.a.3.3})$$

Where the  $\circ$  operator denotes the elementwise multiplication of vectors.

To take the derivative on of the element in the bias vector, then we only need to jump straight to step 4 of [A.6.a.2](#), and ignore the term  $2\lambda w_j$  on that step, because we are not regularizing on the offset vector. This will be giving us:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{b_j}[J](w, b) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))} \partial_{b_j} [1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_i(w, b) \partial_{b_j} [u_i](w, b)) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.6.a.4})$$

And conveniently like what we did before, this can be written like:

$$\nabla_b[J](w, b) = \frac{1}{n} \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_b u_1(w, b) & \nabla_b u_2(w, b) & \cdots & \nabla_b u_n(w, b) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(w, b) \\ u_2(w, b) \\ \vdots \\ u_n(w, b) \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A.6.a.5})$$

And the gradient is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_b[u_i] &= \nabla_b [1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w))] \\ &= 1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w)) \nabla_{-y_i(b + x_i^T w)} \\ &= 1 + \exp(-y_i(b + x_i^T w)) (-y_i) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.6.a.6})$$