

Solutions Manual to Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning

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1 Introduction

1.1

Setting the derivative of

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n)^2 \quad (1.1)$$

as zero gives

$$\mathbf{0} = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\partial y(x_n, \mathbf{w})}{\partial \mathbf{w}} (y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n). \quad (1.2)$$

Substituting

$$y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{j=0}^M w_j x_n^j \quad (1.3)$$

gives

$$0 = \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^i \left(\sum_{j=0}^M w_j x_n^j - t_n \right). \quad (1.4)$$

Therefore, we have

$$\sum_{j=0}^M A_{ij} w_j = T_i \quad (1.5)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_{ij} &= \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^{i+j}, \\ T_i &= \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^i t_n. \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

1.2

Setting the derivative of

$$\tilde{E}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n)^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 \quad (1.7)$$

as zero gives

$$\mathbf{0} = \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\partial y(x_n, \mathbf{w})}{\partial \mathbf{w}} (y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n) + \lambda \mathbf{w}. \quad (1.8)$$

Substituting

$$y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{j=0}^M w_j x_n^j \quad (1.9)$$

gives

$$0 = \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^i \left(\sum_{j=0}^M w_j x_n^j - t_n \right) + \lambda w_i. \quad (1.10)$$

Therefore, we have

$$\sum_{j=0}^M \tilde{A}_{ij} w_j = T_i \quad (1.11)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A}_{ij} &= \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^{i+j} + \lambda \delta_{ij}, \\ T_i &= \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^i t_n. \end{aligned} \quad (1.12)$$

1.3

Let a , o l be the events where an apple, orange and lime are selected respectively. The probability that an apple is selected is given by

$$p(a) = \frac{1}{5} \frac{3}{10} + \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{5} \frac{3}{10} = \frac{17}{50}. \quad (1.13)$$

If an orange is selected, the probability that it came from the green box is given by

$$p(g|o) = \frac{p(g, o)}{p(o)}. \quad (1.14)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} p(g, o) &= \frac{3}{5} \frac{3}{10} = \frac{9}{50}, \\ p(o) &= \frac{1}{5} \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{5} \frac{3}{10} = \frac{9}{25}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.15)$$

we have

$$p(g|o) = \frac{1}{2}. \tag{1.16}$$