



## Lab 5: Linear Regression

### Practical exercises

1. Consider the following training data:

	$y_1$	$y_2$	output
$\mathbf{x}_1$	1	1	1.4
$\mathbf{x}_2$	2	1	0.5
$\mathbf{x}_3$	1	3	2
$\mathbf{x}_4$	3	3	2.5

- Find the closed form solution for a linear regression minimizing the sum of squared errors
- Predict the target value for  $\mathbf{x}_{new} = [2 \ 3]^T$
- Sketch the predicted three-dimensional hyperplane
- Compute the MSE and MAE produced by the linear regression
- Are there biases on the residuals against  $y_1$ ? And  $y_2$ ?
- Compute the closed form solution considering Ridge regularization term with  $\lambda = 0.2$ .
- Compare the hyperplanes obtained using ordinary least squares and Ridge regression.
- Why is Lasso regression suggested for data spaces of higher dimensionality?

2. Consider the following training data

where *output* is an ordinal variable

	$y_1$	$y_2$	output
$\mathbf{x}_1$	1	1	1
$\mathbf{x}_2$	2	1	1
$\mathbf{x}_3$	1	3	0
$\mathbf{x}_4$	3	3	0

- Find a linear regression using the closed form solution
- Assuming the output threshold  $\theta=0.5$ , use the regression to classify  $\mathbf{x}_{new} = [2 \ 2.5]^T$

3. Considering the following data to learn a model

$$z = w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + \varepsilon, \text{ where } \varepsilon \sim N(0, 5)$$

Compare:

	$y_1$	$y_2$	output
$\mathbf{x}_1$	3	-1	2
$\mathbf{x}_2$	4	2	1
$\mathbf{x}_3$	2	2	1

- $\mathbf{w} = [w_1 \ w_2]^T$  using the maximum likelihood approach
- $\mathbf{w}$  using the Bayesian approach, assuming  $p(\mathbf{w}) = N(\mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{u} = [0 \ 0], \sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix})$

4. Identify a transformation to aid the linearly modelling of the following data points.

Sketch the predicted surface.

	$y_1$	$y_2$	output
$\mathbf{x}_1$	-0.95	0.62	0
$\mathbf{x}_2$	0.63	0.31	0
$\mathbf{x}_3$	-0.12	-0.21	1
$\mathbf{x}_4$	-0.24	-0.5	0
$\mathbf{x}_5$	0.07	-0.42	1
$\mathbf{x}_6$	0.03	0.91	0
$\mathbf{x}_7$	0.05	0.09	1
$\mathbf{x}_8$	-0.83	0.22	0

5. Consider logarithmic and quadratic transformations:

$$\varphi_1(x) = \log(x), \quad \varphi_2(x) = x^2$$

- a) Plot both of the closed form regressions.  
b) Which one minimizes the sum of squared errors on the original training data

	<i>input</i>	<i>output</i>
$\mathbf{x}_1$	3	1.5
$\mathbf{x}_2$	4	9.3
$\mathbf{x}_3$	6	23.4
$\mathbf{x}_4$	10	45.8
$\mathbf{x}_5$	12	60.1

6. Select the criteria that promotes a smoother regression model:
- a) Applying Lasso and Ridge regularization to linear regression models
  - b) Increasing the depth of a decision tree regressor
  - c) Increasing the  $k$  of a  $k$ NN regressor
  - d) Parameterizing a  $k$ NN regressor with uniform weights instead of distance-based weights

## Programming quest

7. Consider the *housing* dataset available at <https://web.ist.utl.pt/~rmch/dscience/data/housing.arff> and the *Regression* notebook available at the course's webpage.  
Compare the determination coefficients of the non-regularized, Lasso and Ridge linear regression.