

1 P2

- Let's assume $X\beta_1 \neq X\beta_2$.

Let f^* be the optimal value, $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, $\beta_\alpha = \alpha\beta_1 + (1 - \alpha)\beta_2$. Then, by the convexity of $\|\cdot\|_2^2, \|\cdot\|_1$:

$$\begin{aligned} f^* &\leq \|Y - X\beta_\alpha\|_2^2 + \lambda\|\beta_\alpha\|_1 \\ &= \|\alpha(Y - X\beta_1) + (1 - \alpha)(Y - X\beta_2)\|_2^2 + \lambda\|\alpha\beta_1 + (1 - \alpha)\beta_2\|_1 \\ &< \alpha(\|Y - X\beta_1\|_2^2 + \lambda\|\beta_1\|_1) + (1 - \alpha)(\|Y - X\beta_2\|_2^2 + \lambda\|\beta_2\|_1) \quad (\text{By strict convexity of } \|\cdot\|_2^2, \|\cdot\|_1) \\ &\leq f^* \end{aligned}$$

Contradiction.

- $\mathcal{L}(\beta^*, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2}\|Y - X\beta\|_2^2 + \lambda\|\beta\|_1$

$$\partial\|\beta\|_1 = \{\alpha \in [-1, 1]^n, \alpha_j = \text{sign}(\hat{\beta}_j) \text{ when } \hat{\beta}_j \neq 0\}$$

Let (β^*, λ^*) be an optimal solution, then $0 \in \partial_\lambda L(\beta^*, \lambda^*)$

$$\partial_{\lambda^*} L(\beta, \lambda^*) = -X^T(Y - X\beta) + \lambda^* \partial\|\beta\|_1$$

Coordinate wise, this gives for all j :

$$X_j^T(Y - X\beta) = \lambda \text{sign}(\beta_j) \text{ if } \beta_j \neq 0$$

$$-X(Y - X\beta) = \lambda \alpha_i \text{ if } \beta_j = 0$$

e.g

$$\lambda^* = -\text{sign}(\beta_j^*) X_j^T(Y - X\beta^*) \text{ if } \beta_j^* \neq 0$$

$$\lambda^* \geq |2X_j^T(Y - X\beta^*)| \text{ if } \beta_j^* = 0$$

- Let $\hat{\beta}$ be an optimal solution. Let $\chi = \{j, \hat{\beta}_j \neq 0\}$, and let's suppose it is non empty. Let j such that $\hat{\beta}_j > 0$ (If such j exists)

By 2.2, $\lambda = X_j^T(Y - X\hat{\beta})$, but since $\lambda > \|X^T Y\|_\infty \geq X_j^T Y$, then $X_j^T X\hat{\beta} > 0$.

Similarly, if there for j such that $\hat{\beta} < 0$, $X_j^T X\hat{\beta} < 0$.

$$c/c \beta_j \neq 0 \implies \beta_j X_j^T X\hat{\beta} > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{2}\|Y - X\beta\|_2^2 + \lambda\|\beta\|_1 &= \frac{1}{2}\|Y\|_2^2 - \hat{\beta}^T X^T Y + \frac{1}{2}\beta^T X^T X \hat{\beta} + \lambda \sum_{i \in \chi} |\hat{\beta}_i| \\
&\geq \frac{1}{2}\|Y\|_2^2 + \sum_{i \in \chi} |\hat{\beta}_i|(\lambda - |X_i^T Y|) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in \chi} \hat{\beta}_i X_i^T X \hat{\beta}}_{>0} \\
&> \frac{1}{2}\|Y\|_2^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{2}\|Y - X0\|_2^2 + \lambda\|0\|_1
\end{aligned}$$

Contradiction, so $\hat{\beta} = 0$

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$$\lambda \in [\lambda_0, \lambda_1]$$

Let $\chi(\lambda) = \{j, \hat{\beta}_j(\lambda) \neq 0\} := \chi$, $r = |\chi|$ (doesn't depend on λ by assumption)

We have proved in 2.2 that there exist $\alpha(\lambda)$

$$X^T(Y - X\hat{\beta}(\lambda)) = \lambda\alpha(\lambda)$$

where $\alpha(\lambda) \in \partial\|\hat{\beta}(\lambda)\|_1$.

It is easy to see that this KKT conditions is actually necessary and sufficient (because we are minimizing a convex function), since we are assuming uniqueness, $\hat{\beta}(\lambda)$ is the unique solution to :

$$(\exists \alpha(\lambda) \in \partial\|\hat{\beta}(\lambda)\|_1) \ X^T(Y - X\hat{\beta}(\lambda)) = \lambda\alpha(\lambda)$$

Note that by uniqueness of $X\beta$ and $\hat{\beta}(\lambda)$, $\alpha(\lambda)$ is unique when $\lambda > 0$.

Note also, that since we assumed that the signs and support are unchanged, $\partial\|\hat{\beta}(\lambda)\|_1 = \partial\|\hat{\beta}(\lambda_0)\|_1$.

The last condition becomes:

$$X^T(Y - X\hat{\beta}(\lambda)) \in \lambda\partial\|\hat{\beta}(\lambda_0)\|_1$$

Notation: $\alpha(\lambda_0) = X^T \underbrace{(Y - X\hat{\beta}(\lambda_0))}_{\lambda_0} = X^T v, \gamma_0 = X^\dagger v, \delta =$

$\hat{\beta}(\lambda_0) - (\lambda - \lambda_0)\gamma_0.$

Note that:

$$X^T X \gamma_0 = X^T X X^\dagger v = (V \Lambda U^T)(U \Lambda V^T)(V \Lambda^{-1} U^T) v = V \Lambda U^T v = X^T v = \alpha(\lambda_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} X^T(Y - X\delta) &= \underbrace{X^T(Y - X\hat{\beta}(\lambda_0))}_{\lambda_0 \alpha(\lambda_0)} + (\lambda - \lambda_0) \underbrace{X^T X \alpha_0}_{\alpha(\lambda_0)} \\ &= \lambda \alpha(\lambda_0) \in \lambda \partial \|\hat{\beta}(\lambda_0)\|_1 \end{aligned}$$

Which proves that $\hat{\beta}(\lambda) = \delta = \hat{\beta}(\lambda_0) - (\lambda - \lambda_0)\alpha(\lambda_0)$

- **Notation:** For a vector v , let $v^+ = \max(v, 0)$, $v^- = -\min(-v, 0)$, $sign(v)$, $supp(v)$ the sign and support of v , $\phi(v) = (supp(v^+), supp(v^-))$

The number of values $\phi(v)$ can take is finite and at most n^2 because $\phi(v) \in \mathcal{P}(\{1 \dots n\})^2$.

Notice that in the last part, we have proven a stronger result: if for λ_1, λ_2 , $\phi(\beta(\lambda_1)) = \phi(\beta(\lambda_2))$, then $\beta(\lambda_2) = \beta(\lambda_1) - (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)\gamma_0$, where γ_0 depend only on λ_1 . This proves a segment of the path C is fully characterized by the $\phi(v)$ where $v(C)$ is one of the element of C chosen arbitrarily.

Let \mathcal{A} denote the set of segments that form the lasso path, and consider the following application:

$$\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; C \rightarrow \phi(v(C)) \text{ Where } v \text{ is an arbitrary element in } C.$$

We have proven that this application is injective, so $|\mathcal{A}| \leq n^2 < \infty$.

2 P3

- Let's consider the unconstrained optimization problem:

$$\min \|Y - X\beta\|^2$$

β is optimal iff $X^T Y = X^T X \beta$.

We check easily that $(X^T X)^\dagger X^T Y$ is a solution to the last equation, therefore it minimizes the L_2 risk.

If $t > \|(X^T X)^\dagger X^T Y\|_{L_1}$, then it is also solution to the following problem: $\min_{\|\beta\|_{L_1} \leq t} \|Y - X\beta\|^2$.

- 1.) $X_i, Y_i, i \in V_k$ and $\hat{\beta}_i^{V_k}$ are independent. $(Y - X^T \hat{\beta}_i^{V_k})^2 \leq |Y|^2 + \|X\|_\infty^2 \|\hat{\beta}_i^{V_k}\|_1^2 \leq b^2(1 + \hat{t}^2) \leq b^2(1 + t_n^2)$

$$\mathbb{P}_{X_i, Y_i, i \in V_k} \left(\left| \frac{1}{|V_k|} \sum_{i \in V_k} (Y_i - X_i^T \hat{\beta}_i^{V_k})^2 - \mathbb{E}_{X,Y}[(Y - X^T \hat{\beta}_i^{V_k})^2] \right| > \varepsilon \right) \leq 2 \exp\left(-\frac{|V_k| \varepsilon^2}{2b^4(1 + t_n^2)}\right)$$

$$\mathbb{P} \left(\frac{1}{K} \sum_k R(\hat{\beta}_i^{V_k}) - \hat{R}_{CV}(\hat{t}) > \varepsilon \right) \leq 2K \exp\left(-\frac{n\varepsilon^2}{2Kb^4(1 + t_n^2)}\right)$$

Since R is convexe, $\frac{1}{K} \sum_k R(\hat{\beta}_i^{V_k}) \geq R(\frac{1}{K} \sum_k \hat{\beta}_i^{V_k}) \geq R(\hat{\beta}_i)$, so:

$$\mathbb{P} \left(R(\hat{\beta}_i) - \frac{1}{K} \sum_k R(\hat{\beta}_i^{V_k}) - \hat{R}_{CV}(\hat{t}) > \varepsilon \right) \leq 2K \exp\left(-\frac{n\varepsilon^2}{2Kb^4(1 + t_n^2)}\right)$$

2.)

$$\hat{R}_{CV}(\hat{t}) - \hat{R}_{CV}(t_{\max}) \leq 0$$

4.)

$$\hat{R}(\hat{\beta}_{t_{\max}}) = \hat{R}(\hat{\beta}_{t_n})$$

5.) Hoeffding:

$$\mathbb{P}(\hat{R}(\hat{\beta}_{t_n}) - R(\hat{\beta}_{t_n}) > \varepsilon) \leq 2 \exp\left(-\frac{n\varepsilon^2}{2b^4(1 + t_n^2)}\right)$$

6.) We did this one in class:

$$\mathbb{P} \left(R(\hat{\beta}) - R(\beta^*) > 2(1 + t_n^2) \sqrt{\frac{2b^4 \log(\frac{2d^2}{\delta})}{n}} \right) \leq \delta$$

3 Proof of Hoeffding

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{P}(X \geq t) &= \mathbb{P}(e^{\lambda X} \geq e^{\lambda t}) && \text{(because exp is increasing)} \\
 &= \mathbb{P}(e^{\lambda(X-t)} \geq 1) \\
 &\leq \mathbb{E}[e^{\lambda(X-t)}] && \text{(Markov inequality)} \\
 &= e^{-\lambda t} \prod \mathbb{E}e^{\lambda x_i} && \text{(By independence)} \\
 &= e^{-\lambda t} (\mathbb{E}e^{\lambda x_i})^k && x_i \sim x_1 \\
 &= e^{-\lambda t} \left(\frac{1}{2}(e^\lambda + e^{-\lambda})\right)^k
 \end{aligned}$$

- $e^\lambda + e^{-\lambda} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} + (-1)^k \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} = 2 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{2k}}{(2k)!} e^{\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2} = \sum \frac{\lambda^{2k}}{2^k k!}$ Since $\frac{(2k)!}{2^k k!} = \prod_{j=1 \dots 2k} \frac{k+j}{2} \geq 1$, $\frac{1}{2}e^\lambda + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\lambda} \leq e^{\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2}$
- $\mathbb{P}(X \geq t) \leq e^{-\lambda t} (\frac{1}{2}e^\lambda + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\lambda})^k \leq e^{-\lambda t} e^{\frac{k}{2}\lambda^2}$ $\lambda \rightarrow \frac{k}{2}\lambda^2 - \lambda t$ is quadratic function that attain its minimum for $\lambda = \frac{t}{k}$, and the minimum is $-\frac{t^2}{k}$, therefore $\mathbb{P}(X \geq t) \leq e^{-\frac{t^2}{k}}$.