



STA 4320 HW 4



Write a function $y=x^2$

square is the function name

defines the function

input value ; a number

▪ square = function(x){

▪ return(x^2)

▪ }

starting and ending of a function

the value to be returned

is x^2 ;

no space between "(" and " x^2 "

Apply $y = x^2$

▪ square(3)



function
name

the x value where we
want to evaluate x^2

Exercise

- How do we write a function that computes $x^2 + y^2$:

function name
two inputs, separated by ", "

- `euc.sq = function(x, y){`
- `return(x^2 + y^2)`
- `}`

the returned value

x y
result is 25 (= 3² + 4²)

- `euc.sq(3, 4)`

dist command

- require(stats) # dist command

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

the "dist" command computes the relevant distance between the top vector and the bottom vector

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- `rbind(a, b)`

means put vector a on top of
vector b; forming a matrix

- `dist(rbind(a, b), method = "euclidean")`

gives 5

Part a

- `two.dist = function(a, b, m = "euclidean"){`
- `X = rbind(a, b)`
- `return(as.numeric(dist(X, method = m)))`
- `}`

removes
the row
and column
names

`m = "euclidean"` is the default
method;
meaning if we
call

`two.dist(a, b)`
the `m` value is
by fault "euclidean"
so we call the
function with only `a, b`
vectors

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- `two.dist(a, b, m = "manhattan")`

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- To use another distance, we just put that distance name in the m entry

Part b

X : data matrix without response

y : response vector

k : the number of nearest neighbors
in KNN

x_{new} : a new data point that we
want to predict $f(\vec{x}_{\text{new}})$

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▪ knn.reg = function(X, y, k, x_new){
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▪   n = nrow(X)
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▪   dist = numeric(n)
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▪   for (i in 1:n){
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▪     dist[i] = two.dist(X[i, ], x_new, "euclidean")
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▪   }
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▪   k_near_loc = order(dist)[1:k]
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▪   return(mean(y[k_near_loc]))
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▪ }
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extract the statistics

store pairwise distances
between x_{new} and
each row of X

← apply the helper function
to compute pairwise distances

← order these pairwise distances
and select the k smallest

find all y values corresponding to
the k nearest data points
and take average

the entries in the matrix

Part c

- `X = matrix(1:5, nrow = 5, ncol = 1)`

- `y = 11:15`

- `x_new = 2.1`

- `k = 3`

- `knn.reg(X, y, k, x_new)`

matrix size

call the function name
and the arguments

Part d

- `require(ISLR2)` — package with Auto data
- `X = Auto[, 2:5]` — data matrix of size n by 4
- `y = Auto[, 1]` — response vector
- `k = 10`
- `x_new = c(6, 310, 140, 3500)` — new \vec{x} to make prediction ;
- `knn.reg(X, y, k, x_new)` — the ordering matters

call the function
in the appropriate order