Statistical Machine Learning – Week 3

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1 Task

Implement a simple linear regression model for the "Advertising" data using NumPy. Your task is to predict the sales using only the budget for TV advertisment.

Use the template week3_exercise.py and complete all ToDos. The data loading is already handled in the main() function.

Verify your results using the following table (taken from Table 3.1 on page 68 in the book):

	Coefficient	Std. error	t-statistic	p-value
Intercept TV	7.0325 0.0475	$0.4578 \\ 0.0027$	15.36 17.67	< 0.0001 < 0.0001

Comments

- As we implement linear regression for only one input variable, we can use the equations (3.4) and (3.8).
- Use the function t.sf() from the scipy.stats library (which is already imported in the template) to calculate the p-value. t.sf() is defined as

$$1 - P(X \le x)$$

but has a smaller numerical error than calling the t.cdf() function if $P(X \le x) \approx 1$, which is the case here.

• Use a two-sided t-test to determine the p-value.