

Linear MMSE for Random Vectors

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1 Statement

Suppose that we would like to have an estimator for the random vector \mathbf{X} in the form of

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}}_L = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{b}$$

then

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}}_L = \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}}\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Y}}^{-1}(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{Y}]) + \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{X}].$$

where $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Y}}$ is the covariance matrix of \mathbf{Y} ,

$$\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{E}[(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{E}\mathbf{Y})(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{E}\mathbf{Y})^T],$$

and $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}}$ is the cross covariance matrix of \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} ,

$$\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{E}[(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E}\mathbf{X})(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{E}\mathbf{Y})^T].$$

2 Derivation

Here's basic setup.

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ \vdots \\ X_m \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{X}}_L = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{b} \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_m^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

The error $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}$ is defined as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X} - \hat{\mathbf{X}}_L$$

and we should minimize Mean Squared Error(MSE), i.e,

$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{X}}_L} \mathbf{E}(\|\tilde{\mathbf{X}}\|^2) = \min_{\hat{\mathbf{X}}_L} \mathbf{E}(\|\mathbf{X} - \hat{\mathbf{X}}_L\|^2) = \min_{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}} \mathbf{E}(\|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{b}\|^2)$$

Let

$$h(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{E}(\|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{b}\|^2)$$

According to (1),

$$h(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{k=1}^m (X_k - \mathbf{v}_k^T \mathbf{Y} - b_k)^2 \right] \quad (2)$$

Let the critical point $(\mathbf{A}_L, \mathbf{b}_L)$ of h be

$$\mathbf{A}_L = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{L1}^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_{Lm}^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{L11} & \cdots & a_{L1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{Lm1} & \cdots & a_{Lmn} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b}_L = \begin{bmatrix} b_{L1} \\ \vdots \\ b_{Lm} \end{bmatrix}$$

To find minimum, differentiate (2) with respect to each element of \mathbf{A} .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial h}{\partial a_{ij}} &= \mathbf{E} [2 (X_i - \mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{Y} - b_i) (-Y_j)] \\ &= \mathbf{E} [-2 (X_i Y_j - (\mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{Y}) Y_j - b_i Y_j)] \end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{Y} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} Y_k$,

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial a_{ij}} = \mathbb{E} \left[-2 \left(X_i Y_j - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} Y_k Y_j - b_i Y_j \right) \right]$$

At critical point,

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial a_{ij}} \right|_{\mathbf{A}_L, \mathbf{b}_L} &= \mathbb{E} \left[-2 \left(X_i Y_j - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{Lik} Y_k Y_j - b_{Li} Y_j \right) \right] = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbb{E} \left[X_i Y_j - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{Lik} Y_k Y_j - b_{Li} Y_j \right] = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbb{E} [X_i Y_j] - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{Lik} \mathbb{E} [Y_k Y_j] - b_{Li} \mathbb{E} [Y_j] = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n a_{Lik} \mathbb{E} [Y_k Y_j] + b_{Li} \mathbb{E} [Y_j] = \mathbb{E} [X_i Y_j] \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_{Li}^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [Y_1 Y_j] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [Y_n Y_j] \end{bmatrix} + b_{Li} \mathbb{E} [Y_j] = \mathbb{E} [X_i Y_j] \end{aligned}$$

Setting $i = 1, \dots, m$ and assemble(?) them in rows.

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{L1}^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_{Lm}^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [Y_1 Y_j] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [Y_n Y_j] \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_{L1} \\ \vdots \\ b_{Lm} \end{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [Y_j] &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [X_1 Y_j] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [X_m Y_j] \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_L \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [Y_1 Y_j] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [Y_n Y_j] \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{b}_L \mathbb{E} [Y_j] &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [X_1 Y_j] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [X_m Y_j] \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Setting $j = 1, \dots, n$ and assemble(?) them in columns.

$$\mathbf{A}_L \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [Y_1 Y_1] & \cdots & \mathbb{E} [Y_1 Y_n] \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [Y_n Y_1] & \cdots & \mathbb{E} [Y_n Y_n] \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{b}_L \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [Y_1] & \cdots & \mathbb{E} [Y_n] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [X_1 Y_1] & \cdots & \mathbb{E} [X_1 Y_n] \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [X_m Y_1] & \cdots & \mathbb{E} [X_m Y_n] \end{bmatrix}$$

Cleaning up with vectors,

$$\mathbf{A}_L \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{Y}^T] + \mathbf{b}_L \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{Y}^T] = \mathbb{E} [\mathbf{X} \mathbf{Y}^T] \quad (3)$$

Differentiating (2) breeds another equation.

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial a_{ij}} = \mathbb{E} [-2 (X_i - \mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{Y} - b_i)]$$

Again at critical point,

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial a_{ij}} \right|_{\mathbf{A}_L, \mathbf{b}_L} &= \mathbb{E} [-2 (X_i - \mathbf{v}_{Li}^T \mathbf{Y} - b_{Li})] = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbb{E} [X_i - \mathbf{v}_{Li}^T \mathbf{Y} - b_{Li}] = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbb{E} [X_i] - \sum_{k=1}^n a_{Lik} \mathbb{E} [Y_k] - b_{Li} = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n a_{Lik} \mathbb{E} [Y_k] + b_{Li} = \mathbb{E} [X_i] \\ &\Rightarrow \mathbf{v}_{Li}^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E} [Y_1] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E} [Y_n] \end{bmatrix} + b_{Li} = \mathbb{E} [X_i] \end{aligned}$$

Setting $i = 1, \dots, m$ and assemble(?) them in rows.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{L1}^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_{Lm}^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E[Y_1] \\ \vdots \\ E[Y_n] \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_{L1} \\ \vdots \\ b_{Lm} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E[X_1] \\ \vdots \\ E[X_m] \end{bmatrix}$$

Cleaning up with vectors,

$$\mathbf{A}_L E[\mathbf{Y}] + \mathbf{b}_L = E[\mathbf{X}]$$

or

$$\mathbf{b}_L = E[\mathbf{X}] - \mathbf{A}_L E[\mathbf{Y}] \quad (4)$$

Putting this into (3),

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{A}_L E[\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^T] + (E[\mathbf{X}] - \mathbf{A}_L E[\mathbf{Y}]) E[\mathbf{Y}^T] = E[\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}^T] \\ \Rightarrow & \mathbf{A}_L (E[\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^T] - E[\mathbf{Y}] E[\mathbf{Y}^T]) = E[\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}^T] - E[\mathbf{X}] E[\mathbf{Y}^T] \\ \Rightarrow & \mathbf{A}_L \mathbf{C}_Y = \mathbf{C}_{XY} \end{aligned}$$

So we get

$$\mathbf{A}_L = \mathbf{C}_{XY} \mathbf{C}_Y^{-1} \quad (5)$$

Putting this into (4),

$$\mathbf{b}_L = E[\mathbf{X}] - \mathbf{C}_{XY} \mathbf{C}_Y^{-1} E[\mathbf{Y}]$$

Finally the linear MMSE $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_L$ would be

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_L &= \mathbf{A}_L \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{b}_L \\ &= \mathbf{C}_{XY} \mathbf{C}_Y^{-1} \mathbf{Y} + E[\mathbf{X}] - \mathbf{C}_{XY} \mathbf{C}_Y^{-1} E[\mathbf{Y}] \\ &= \mathbf{C}_{XY} \mathbf{C}_Y^{-1} (\mathbf{Y} - E[\mathbf{Y}]) + E[\mathbf{X}] \end{aligned}$$

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