

Week name

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## 1 Homework 1 - 10pts

We have the loss function of Lasso Regression:

$$L(w) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^m w_j x_{ij} + w_0 - y_i \right) + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^m |w_j| \quad (1)$$

or,

$$L(\mathbf{w}) = J(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda |\mathbf{w}| \quad (2)$$

We want to minimize the above loss function. However,  $L(\mathbf{w})$  is not differentiable at  $\mathbf{w}$  that has any  $w_j = 0$  due to the absolute values. Hence, Lasso Regression does not have any closed-form solution, or analytical solution. It is also not possible to directly apply Gradient Descent to Lasso Regression; we have to apply some variation of the method, for example, proximal gradient descent or subgradient method.

Subgradient method: The method is quite the same as the gradient descent method. The only difference is that we will use the subgradient to update  $\mathbf{w}$  instead of the gradient.

It can be seen that  $L(\mathbf{w})$  is a convex function.

A subgradient of a convex function  $f$  at  $x$  is any vector  $\mathbf{g} \in R^n$  such that

$$f(y) \geq f(x) + \mathbf{g}^T(y - x), \forall y \quad (3)$$

If  $f$  is differentiable at  $x$ , then  $\mathbf{g} = \nabla f(x)$ .

The subgradient of  $f(w) = |w|$  is:

$$\nabla^{sub} f(w) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w > 0 \\ w \in [-1, 1] & \text{if } w = 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } w < 0 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Since the subgradient of  $|w|$  is familiar to the sign of  $w$ , we can use the sign of  $w$  as the subgradient of  $|w|$ .

We obtain the subgradient of  $L(w)$ :

$$\nabla^{sub} L(\mathbf{w}) = \nabla J(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}) \quad (5)$$

Here is the process of subgradient descent:

1. Initialize  $\mathbf{w}$ .
2. repeat {
 
$$\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{w} - \alpha(\nabla J(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}))$$
 } until convergence.

As  $\lambda$  goes to infinity, the estimated weights  $\mathbf{w}$  will go to 0, and the model will be come a horizontal line pararelling to  $Ox$ .

## 2 Homework 2 - 10pts

The inverse matrix of a matrix  $A$  can be computed as follow:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{|A|} \text{Adj}(A) \quad (6)$$

$|A|$  is the determinant of matrix  $A$ .

1. 2 data points and 2 features - 2x2 matrix For a 2x2 matrix, the inverse matrix is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

2. 3 data points, 3 features - 3 x 3 matrix

$$\text{Adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} A_{22}A_{33} - A_{23}A_{32} & A_{13}A_{32} - A_{12}A_{33} & A_{23}A_{12} - A_{22}A_{13} \\ A_{31}A_{23} - A_{21}A_{33} & A_{11}A_{33} - A_{13}A_{31} & A_{21}A_{13} - A_{23}A_{11} \\ A_{21}A_{32} - A_{31}A_{22} & A_{11}A_{32} - A_{31}A_{12} & A_{11}A_{22} - A_{21}A_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|A| = A_{11} * (A_{22}A_{33} - A_{23}A_{32}) + A_{12} * A_{13}A_{32} - A_{12}A_{33} + A_{13} * (A_{23}A_{12} - A_{22}A_{13})$$

Hence:

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{A_{11} * (A_{22}A_{33} - A_{23}A_{32}) + A_{12} * A_{13}A_{32} - A_{12}A_{33} + A_{13} * (A_{23}A_{12} - A_{22}A_{13})} \text{Adj}(A) \quad (8)$$

3. Data that has  $n$  data points and  $m$  features and  $n \neq m$ .

It is impossible to find the inverse matrix in this case. We can only find the inverse matrix of a square matrix.

4.  $n$  data points,  $n$  features and  $n > 3$

We can apply the formula for inverse matrix. However, it may take a long time to compute.