

## FEATURIZED PROBABILISTIC LINEAR MODELS

## Why

It is natural to embed a dataset.

## **Definition**

Let  $(x: \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^d, A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}, e: \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^n)$  be a probabilistic linear model over the probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$ . Let  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^{d'}$  be a feature map.

We call the sequence  $(x, A, e, \phi)$  a featurized probabilistic linear model (also embedded probabilistic linear model). We interpret the model as a random field  $h: \Omega \to (\mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R})$  which is a linear function of the features

$$h_{\omega}(a) = \phi(a)^{\top} x(\omega).$$

Denote the data matrix of the embedded feature vectors by  $\phi(A)$ . In other words,  $\phi(A) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d'}$  is a matrix whose rows are feature vectors. Then  $(x, A, e, \phi)$  corresponds to the probabilistic linear model  $(x, \phi(A), e)$ .

## Normal case

In the normal (Gaussian) case, the parameter posterior  $g_{x|y}(\cdot, \gamma)$  is a normal density with mean

$$\Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\top} \left( \phi(A) \Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\top} + \Sigma_e \right)^{-1} \gamma$$

and covariance

$$\left(\Sigma_x^{-1} + \phi(A)^{\top} \Sigma_e^{-1} \phi(A)\right)^{-1}.$$

The predictive density for  $a \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is normal with mean

$$\phi(a)^{\top} \Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\top} \left( \phi(A) \Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\top} + \Sigma_e \right)^{-1} \gamma.$$

and covariance

$$\phi_a^{\mathsf{T}} \Sigma_x \phi_a - \phi_a^{\mathsf{T}} \Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\mathsf{T}} \left( \phi(A) \Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\mathsf{T}} + \Sigma_e \right)^{-1} \phi(A) \Sigma_x \phi_a.$$

So the featurized linear regressor is the predictor  $h: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$h(a) = \phi(a)^{\top} \Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\top} \left( \phi(A) \Sigma_x \phi(A)^{\top} + \Sigma_e \right)^{-1} \gamma.$$

