

HW3 - Linear Regression

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Exercise 1: $t = y(x, w) + \text{noise} \Rightarrow w = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T t$

We have: $t = y(x, w) + \text{noise} = N(y(x, w), \sigma^2)$

$$\Rightarrow p(t) = N(t|y(x, w), \beta^{-1}) \quad \text{with } \beta = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$$

Making assumption that these data points are drawn independently from the distribution then we obtain the likelihood function:

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, w, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^N N(t_n|y(x_n, w), \beta^{-1})$$

It is convenient to logarithm of the likelihood function

$$\begin{aligned} \log p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, w, \beta) &= \sum_{n=1}^N \log(N|t_n|y(x_n, w), \beta^{-1}) \\ &= \frac{-\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \left(y(x_n, w) - t_n \right)^2 + \frac{N}{2} \log \beta - \frac{N}{2} \log(2\pi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_w \log p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, w, \beta) &= -\max_w \frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \left(y(x_n, w) - t_n \right)^2 \\ &= \min \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \left(y(x_n, w) - t_n \right)^2 = L \end{aligned}$$

We suppose:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \dots & \dots \\ 1 & x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 \\ t_2 \\ \dots \\ t_n \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \dots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 x_1 & w_0 \\ w_2 x_2 & w_0 \\ \dots & \dots \\ w_n x_n & w_0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}w$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow L &= \sum_{n=1}^N (t_n - y_n)^2 = \|t - y\|_2^2 = \|t - Xw\|_2^2 \\ &= (t - Xw)^T (t - Xw) \\ &= (t^T - Xw^T)^T (t - Xw) \\ &= t^T t - t^T Xw - w^T X^T t + w^T X^T Xw \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial w} &= 0 - X^T t - X^T t + X^T Xw + (w^T X^T X)^T \\ &= -2X^T t + 2X^T Xw = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Leftrightarrow \quad X^T t &= X^T X w \\ \Leftrightarrow \quad w &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T t\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4: Prove that $X^T X$ is invertible when X is full rank

For any nonzero matrix X , $X^T X$ has the same rank as X . If X is $m \times n$ matrix, a necessary and sufficient condition for $X^T X$ to be invertible is that $\text{rank}(X) = n$. Then, it need to have full column rank (column linear independent). Suppose

$$\begin{aligned}X^T v &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow X^T X v &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow v^T X^T X v &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (Xv)^T (Xv) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow Xv &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$Xv = 0$ if and only if v is in null space of $X^T X$.

But $Xv = 0$ and $v \neq 0$ if and only if X has linearly independent columns. So $X^T X$ is invertible if and only if X has full column rank.