

STATS 202: Data Mining and Analysis

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HOMEWORK # 1

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Introduction

Homework problems are selected from the course textbook: *An Introduction to Statistical Learning*.

Problem 1 (4 points)

Chapter 2, Exercise 2 (p. 52).

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Chapter 2, Exercise 3 (p. 52).

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Chapter 2, Exercise 7 (p. 53).

Problem 4 (4 points)

Chapter 10, Exercise 1 (p. 413).

Problem 5 (4 points)

Chapter 10, Exercise 2 (p. 413).

Problem 6 (4 points)

Chapter 10, Exercise 4 (p. 414).

Problem 7 (4 points)

Chapter 10, Exercise 9 (p. 416).

Problem 8 (4 points)

Chapter 3, Exercise 4 (p. 120).

Problem 9 (4 points)

Chapter 3, Exercise 9 (p. 122). In parts (e) and (f), you need only try a few interactions and transformations.

Problem 10 (4 points)

Chapter 3, Exercise 14 (p. 125).

Problem 11 (5 points)

Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a fixed set of input points and $y_i = f(x_i) + \epsilon_i$, where $\epsilon_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} P_\epsilon$ with $\mathbb{E}(\epsilon_i) = 0$ and $\text{Var}(\epsilon_i) < \infty$. Prove that the MSE of a regression estimate \hat{f} fit to $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ for a random test point x_0 or $\mathbb{E} \left(y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0) \right)^2$ decomposes into variance, square bias, and irreducible error components. *Hint: You can apply the bias-variance decomposition proved in class.*

Problem 12 (5 points)

Consider the regression through the origin model (i.e. with no intercept):

$$y_i = \beta x_i + \epsilon_i \tag{1}$$

- (a) (1 point) Find the least squares estimate for β .
- (b) (2 points) Assume $\epsilon_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} P_\epsilon$ such that $\mathbb{E}(\epsilon_i) = 0$ and $\text{Var}(\epsilon_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$. Find the standard error of the estimate.
- (c) (2 points) Find conditions that guarantee that the estimator is consistent. *n.b. An estimator $\hat{\beta}_n$ of a parameter β is consistent if $\hat{\beta} \xrightarrow{P} \beta$, i.e. if the estimator converges to the parameter value in probability.*