

## Probabilistic Interpretation of linear models.

$$\boxed{y = w^T x}$$

↘ weight vector

Probabilistic linear regression

$y$  is a random variable

$x$  — is not a random variable,

$$y \sim \mathcal{N}(\underbrace{w^T x}, \sigma^2)$$

$$\boxed{w, \sigma^2}$$

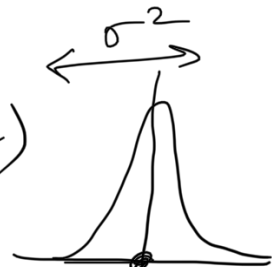
$$\underline{y = w^T x + \epsilon}$$

↖ random variable  
 $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$

If we have  $w$  and  $\sigma^2$

Given a new  $x^*$ ,

$$y^* = \mathcal{N}(\underbrace{w^T x^*}, \sigma^2)$$



$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Training data} \\
 \mathcal{D} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_N & y_N \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} y_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(w^T x_1, \sigma^2) \\ y_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(w^T x_2, \sigma^2) \\ \vdots \\ y_N \sim \mathcal{N}(w^T x_N, \sigma^2) \end{array}
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Likelihood of the dataset:

$$L(\mathcal{D}) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(y_i)$$

$$\ell\ell(\mathcal{D}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \log p(y_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \log \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_i - w^T x_i)^2 \right] \right)$$

$$= \underbrace{-\frac{N}{2} \log(2\pi)} - N \log \sigma - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - w^T x_i)^2$$

MLE estimate  $\equiv$  the values of  $w$  &  $\sigma^2$  at which  $\ell\ell(\mathcal{D})$  is max.

$$\arg \max_{w, \sigma^2} \ell\ell(\mathcal{D})$$

$$\ell\ell(\mathcal{D}) = \text{const} - N \log \sigma - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - w^T x_i)^2$$

$\underbrace{w}_{\text{const}}$   
 Equivalent to maximizing:  $-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - w^T x_i)^2$   
 which is equiv. to minimizing  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - w^T x_i)^2$

Squared loss for  
geometric linear  
regression.

$$\hat{w}_{MLE} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

where  $X \rightarrow$  data matrix  $N \times d$

$y \rightarrow$  vector of target values  $N \times 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\sigma}_{MLE}^2 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum (y_i - w^T x_i)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} (y - Xw)^T (y - Xw)
 \end{aligned}$$

Imposing a prior on  $w$

$w \rightarrow$  a  $d$ -dimensional vector

MVN or a multi-variate Gaussian

Prior  $\underline{p(w)} \sim \mathcal{N}(w | \mu_0, \Sigma_0)$   
 $\quad \quad \quad d \times 1 \quad d \times d$

Simple case:  $\mu_0 = \mathbf{0}_{d \times 1}$

$$\Sigma_0 = \tau^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ = \tau^2 \mathbf{I}_{(d \times d)}$$

$$p(w|x, y) = \frac{p(x, y|w) p(w)}{\int_{\underline{w}} p(x, y|w') p(w') d w'} \quad x, y \rightarrow \text{training}$$

$$p(x, y|w) = \prod_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(y_i | w^T x_i, \sigma^2)$$

Posterior is also Gaussian  $p(w|x, y) \sim \mathcal{N}(w | \bar{w}, \bar{\Sigma})$

$$\bar{w} = \left( X^T X + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2} \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} X^T y \quad \leftarrow \begin{matrix} d \times 1 \\ d \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\bar{\Sigma} = \sigma^2 \left( X^T X + \frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2} \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} \quad \leftarrow \begin{matrix} d \times d \\ d \times d \end{matrix}$$

$$y \sim \mathcal{N}(y | w^T x, \sigma^2)$$

$\sigma^2$  - fixed and known

## Relationship with ridge regression

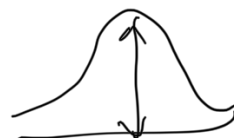
$$w_{\text{Ridge}} = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y$$

↑  
regularization  
parameter

$$\bar{w} = (X^T X + \underbrace{\frac{\sigma^2}{\tau^2} I})^{-1} X^T y$$

What is the MAP estimate for  $w$

$$\hat{w}_{\text{MAP}} = \bar{w}$$



Inference or prediction task:

$$x^* \rightarrow y^*$$

$$y^* = \hat{w}_{\text{MLE}}^T x^*$$

$$y^* = \hat{w}_{\text{MAP}}^T x^*$$

Full Bayesian Treatment:

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Non-parametric Bayesian  
Methods

$$y \sim N(y | w^T x, \sigma^2)$$

$$y \sim F(y | \theta = f(w^T x))$$

Generalized Linear Models (GLM)

Replace  $N() \rightarrow \text{Laplace}()$

Robust Regression

$$p(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} (y_i - w^T x_i)^2\right]$$

Impacted by outliers

$$p(y) = \text{const} \exp[-\text{const} |y_i - w^T x_i|]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - w^T x_i)^2$$

least squares

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |y_i - w^T x_i|$$

least absolute  
MAD Deviation

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - w^T x_i)^2$$

logistic Regression is a member  
of GLM family.