# HW2 - Q1: Least Squares Regression (30 points)

Notes:

- Question (a) needs to be typewritten.
- Questions (b), (c), and (d) need to be programmed.
- Important:
  - Write all the steps of the solution.
  - Use proper LATEX formatting and notation for all mathematical equations, vectors, and matrices.
- For programming solution:
  - Properly add comments to your code.

#### A note about notation:

The notations in this homework are slightly different from the lecture notes. In lecture, we use notation for data as:  $(t_i, y_i)$  with regressor  $\hat{y} = x^\top t$ , x is a vector of unknown coefficients and solve Ax = b. In this homework, the notation that we use for data is:  $(x_i, y_i)$  with regressor  $\hat{y} = \beta^\top x$  and  $\beta$  is a vector of unknown coefficients to be solved.

(a) Consider a dataset with m datapoints:  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, m$ . Perform the multivariate calculus derivation of the least squares regression formula for an estimation function  $\hat{y}(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , where a, b, and c are the scalar parameters. (6 points)

## Your answer here:

We can write the function in matrix form:

Y = XB + E

where

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 & x_1 & 1 \\ x_2^2 & x_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_m^2 & x_m & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ \vdots \\ e_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

The estimation function  $\hat{y}(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  can be seen as  $\hat{y}(x) = ax_1 + bx_2 + c$ . Therefore, we can denote the following:

$$S_{xx} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i^2 - \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i\right)^2}{m}$$

$$S_{xy} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i y_i - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} y_i \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i}{m}$$

$$S_{xx^2} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i^3 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i^2}{m}$$

$$S_{x^2y} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i^2 y_i - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} y_i \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i^2}{m}$$

$$S_{x^2x^2} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i^4 - \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i^2\right)^2}{m}$$

$$S_x = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i}{m}$$

$$S_{x^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i}{m}$$

$$S_y = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} y_i}{m}$$

The solutions to the unknown coefficients are:

$$a = \frac{S_{x^2y}S_{xx} - S_{xy}S_{xx^2}}{S_{xx}S_{x^2x^2} - (S_{xx^2})^2}$$
$$b = \frac{S_{xy}S_{x^2x^2} - S_{x^2y}S_{xx^2}}{S_{xx}S_{x^2x^2} - (S_{xx^2})^2}$$
$$c = S_y - bS_x - aS_{x^2}$$

Therefore, the coefficient matrix can be written as

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{S_{x^2y}S_{xx} - S_{xy}S_{xx^2}}{S_{xx}S_{x^2x^2} - (S_{xx^2})^2} \\ \frac{S_{xy}S_{x^2x^2} - (S_{xx^2})^2}{S_{xx}S_{x^2x^2} - (S_{xx^2})^2} \\ S_y - bS_x - aS_{x^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) In this problem, we would like to use a linear regressor to fit the data, where  $\hat{y}(x) = ax + b$  with a, b, x being scalars. Denote  $\beta_{LS} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$  to contain the regressor coefficients, and recall that the linear algebraic formula for least squares gives  $\beta_{LS} = (A^{\top}A)^{-1}A^{\top}y$  with  $A^{\dagger} = (A^{\top}A)^{-1}A^{\top}$  known as the pseudo-inverse of A.

In this problem, we ask you to

#1. Use the function <code>np.linalg.pinv</code> to find the values of regressor coefficients  $\beta_{LS}$  and match it with your previous result. Note that the following piece of starter code generates a random least squares regression dataset with 500 datapoints.

**#2.** Further match your results by directly solving the problem using the builtin numpy function: np.linalg.lstsq

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                                                        In [1]: ### !!! DO NOT EDIT !!!
         # starter code to generate a random least squares regression dataset with 500 points
         import numpy as np
         from scipy import optimize
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         from sklearn import datasets
         \# generate x and y
         X, y = datasets.make regression(n samples=500, n features=1, n informative=1, n targets=1,
         print('Shape of X is:', X.shape)
         print('Shape of y is:', y.shape)
         Shape of X is: (500, 1)
         Shape of y is: (500,)
In [2]: ######
         # !!! YOUR CODE HERE !!!
         # Normal NumPy matrix operations
         def normal_equation(X, Y):
             X = np.insert(X.T, 0, 1, axis=0)
             X cross = np.dot(np.linalg.inv(np.dot(X, X.T)), X)
             beta = np.dot(X cross, y)
             return beta
         beta1 = normal_equation(X, y)
         print("Normal NumPy matrix operations gives us: ", beta1)
         Normal NumPy matrix operations gives us: [ 9.02058667 63.18605572]
In [45]: # Using function np.linalg.pinv
         def pinv_fit(X, y):
             X = np.insert(X.T, 0, 1, axis=0)
             X_cross = np.dot(np.linalg.pinv(np.dot(X, X.T)), X)
             beta = np.dot(X_cross, y)
             return beta
         beta2 = pinv fit(X, y)
         print("Using function np.linalg.pinv gives us: ", beta2)
         Using function np.linalg.pinv gives us: [ 9.02058667 63.18605572]
         We can see that the two operations gives us the same results
In [48]: #2
         #Using function np.linalg.lstsq
         A = np.column_stack([np.ones(len(X), float), X])
         beta3 = np.linalg.lstsq(A, y, rcond=None)[0]
         print("Using function np.linalg.lstsq gives us: ", beta3)
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Using function np.linalg.lstsq gives us: [ 9.02058667 63.18605572]

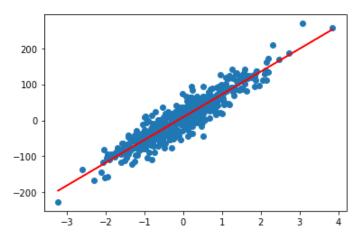
We can see that using function np.linalg.lstsq also gives us the same results.

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In [5]: # Generate predictions
def predict(X_test, beta):
        X_test = np.insert(X_test.T, 0, 1, axis=0)
        predictions = np.dot(beta, X_test)
        return predictions
predictions = predict(X, beta1)

# plot data and predictions
plt.scatter(X, y)
plt.plot(X, predictions, color='red')

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# Out[5]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1b5db509a00>]



# (c) In this problem, we ask you to

#1. Write a function <code>my\_func\_fit</code> (X,y), where X and y are column vectors of the same size containing experimental data. The function should return the values for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  which are the scalar parameters of the estimation function  $\hat{y}(x) = \alpha x^{\beta}$ .

#2. Test your code on the generated sample dataset and report the coefficients. The given piece of starter code generates a logarithmic dataset.

# #3. Plot a graph between X vs y, and overlay it with the linear regression line. (8 points)

Linear regression for non-linear estimation function:

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In [3]: ### !!! DO NOT EDIT !!!
# starter code to generate a random exponential dataset
X = np.linspace(1, 10, 101)
y = 2*(X**(0.3)) + 0.3*np.random.random(len(X))
print('Shape of X is:', X.shape)
print('Shape of y is:', y.shape)
Shape of X is: (101,)
Shape of y is: (101,)
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We can model the data using model:

$$log(y) = log(\alpha) + \beta log(x)$$

This can be seen as a simple linear regression, and the code is similar to the previous question.

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In [8]: import math
import numpy as np

# function for modeling the data
def my_func_fit(X, y):
    A = np.vstack([np.log(X), np.ones(len(X))]).T
    beta, log_alpha = np.linalg.lstsq(A, np.log(y), rcond = None)[0]
    alpha = np.exp(log_alpha)
    return alpha, beta
alpha, beta = my_func_fit(X, y)

print("The coefficients: ",(alpha, beta))
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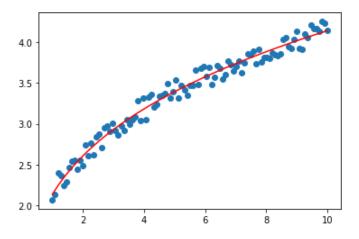
The coefficients: (2.1383591787044627, 0.2864299526632125)

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In [9]: # Generate predictions
def predict(X_test, alpha, beta):
    return alpha*(X_test**beta)
predictions = predict(X, alpha, beta)

# plot data and predictions
plt.scatter(X, y)
plt.plot(X, predictions, color='red')

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## Out[9]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1fb0c412f70>]



# (d) In this problem, we ask you to

#1. Write a function my\_lin\_regression(f, X, y), where f is a list containing function objects to basis functions that are pre-defined, and X and y are arrays containing noisy data. Assume that X and y are the same size, i.e,  $X^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $y^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}$ . Return an array beta which represent the coefficients of the

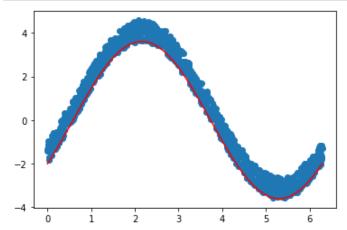
solved problem. I.e. we are solving the  $\beta$  which contains the coefficients in the regressor  $\hat{y}(x) = \beta_1 \cdot f_1(x) + \beta_2 \cdot f_2(x) + \dots + \beta_n \cdot f_n(x)$  with  $f_i$  being basis functions.

#2. Also write a function regression\_plot(f,X,y,beta) which plots a graph between X and y, and overlays it with the regression line. A few test scenarios are given to validate your code (10 points)

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In [178]: ######
          # !!! YOUR CODE HERE !!!
          import numpy as np
          def my_lin_regression(f, X, y):
              A = np.ones(len(X))
              for i in f:
                  A = np.vstack([A, i(X)])
              A = A[1:]
              A_cross = np.dot(np.linalg.pinv(np.dot(A, A.T)), A)
              betas = np.dot(A_cross, y)
              return betas
          def regression_plot(f,X,y,beta):
              plt.scatter(X, y)
              predictions = np.zeros(len(X))
              for i in range(len(f)):
                  predictions += beta[i]*f[i](X)
              plt.plot(X, predictions, color='red')
              return
          #######
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In [182]: ### !!! DO NOT EDIT !!!
### Test-1
X = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, 1000)
y = 3*np.sin(X) - 2*np.cos(X) + np.random.random(len(X))
f = [np.sin, np.cos] # f1 = sin, f2 = cos

beta = my_lin_regression(f, X, y)
regression_plot(f,X,y,beta)
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In [180]: ### !!! DO NOT EDIT !!!
### Test-2
X = np.linspace(0, 1, 1000)
y = 2*np.exp(0.5*X) + 0.25*np.random.random(len(X))
f = [np.exp] # f1 = exp

beta = my_lin_regression(f, X, y)
regression_plot(f,X,y,beta)
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