

SML Assignment 1

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Question 1a: Closed Form of Linear Regression: derivation

$$\nabla_W(J(W)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \frac{1}{2m} \|\hat{Y} - Y\|_2^2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \frac{1}{2m} (XW - Y)^T (XW - Y).$$

Denote that $X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$ and $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$,
hence $(W^T X^T Y)^T = Y^T XW = W^T X^T Y$ due to each term is scalar.
Using the identify $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ and expanding $J(W)$

$$\begin{aligned} J(W) &= \frac{1}{2m} (XW - Y)^T (XW - Y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} (W^T X^T - Y^T) (XW - Y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} (W^T X^T XW - 2W^T X^T Y + Y^T Y). \end{aligned}$$

Apply partial derivatives to $J(W)$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_W(J(W)) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \frac{1}{2m} (W^T X^T XW - 2W^T X^T Y + Y^T Y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial W} W^T X^T XW - \frac{\partial}{\partial W} 2W^T X^T Y \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} (2X^T XW - 2X^T Y) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} (X^T XW - X^T Y) \end{aligned}$$

To minimize $J(W)$, we should compare $\nabla_W(J(W))$ to 0, therefore

$$\nabla_W(J(W)) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad X^T XW = X^T Y$$

multiply both sides of the equation by $(X^T X)^{-1}$, thus

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

Question 1b: Matrix Alignment Verification

Given that $X \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 3}$ and $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 1}$, we can compute the dimension of W by the following steps, Since

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

$$\begin{aligned} X^T \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 5} &\Rightarrow X^T X \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \Rightarrow (X^T X)^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3} \\ &\Rightarrow (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 5} \\ &\Rightarrow (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y = W \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1} \end{aligned}$$

Thus \hat{Y} has the dimension of that

$$\hat{Y} = XW \Rightarrow \hat{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{5 \times 1}$$

Which makes \hat{Y} has the same dimension with Y , the alignment is correct.

Question 4a: Machine Learning Matrix Operations

- $\langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_i \rangle$

Using the definition of inner products, $\langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_i \rangle = \mathbf{x}_i^\top \cdot \mathbf{w} = \sum_j^d \mathbf{x}_{ij} \mathbf{w}_j$, hence that,

$$\sum_i \langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_i \rangle = \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w},$$

which is equivalent to Eq1.

- $(\sum_i \mathbf{x}_i) \mathbf{w}$

As $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1}$, therefore $\sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1}$.

Thus $\sum_i \mathbf{x}_i$ cannot dot with \mathbf{w} due to that $\sum_i \mathbf{x}_i$ has a dimension of d rows and 1 column which is the same with \mathbf{w} , hence $(\sum_i \mathbf{x}_i) \mathbf{w}$ is not equivalent to Eq1.

- $\sum_i \text{Tr}(\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{w}^\top)$

Given that $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1}$, $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1}$, therefore $\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w}$ is scalar, which means that

$$\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i$$

Using the identify of trace, $\text{Tr}(\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{w}^\top) = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i)$, which is equivalent to $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i$. Therefore

$$\sum_i \text{Tr}(\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{w}^\top) = \sum_i \text{Tr}(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i) = \sum_i \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i = \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w},$$

which is equivalent to Eq1.

- $\mathbf{w}^\top \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i$

As $\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w}$ is scalar, therefore

$$\sum_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w} = \sum_i \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i.$$

Using the identify of sum,

$$\sum_i \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{w}^\top \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i,$$

which means $\mathbf{w}^\top \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i$ is equivalent to Eq1.