

# ST790 HW1

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1.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}\min_a \mathbb{E}(X - a)^2 &= \min_a \mathbb{E}(X^2 - 2aX + a^2) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(X^2) + \min_a [a^2 - 2a\mathbb{E}(X)] \\ \frac{\partial a^2 - 2a\mathbb{E}(X)}{\partial a} &\stackrel{set}{=} 0 \\ \therefore [2a - 2\mathbb{E}(X)] &= 0 \\ a &= \mathbb{E}(X) \\ \therefore \frac{\partial^2 [a^2 - 2a\mathbb{E}(X)]}{\partial a^2} &= 2 > 0 \\ \therefore \min_a \mathbb{E}(X - a)^2 &= \mathbb{E}[X - \mathbb{E}(X)]^2\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\min_a \mathbb{E}|X - a| &= \min_a \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^a (a - x)f(x)dx + \int_a^{\infty} (x - a)f(x)dx \right\} \\ \frac{\partial \mathbb{E}|X - a|}{\partial a} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \int_{-\infty}^a (a - x)f(x)dx + \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \int_a^{\infty} (x - a)f(x)dx \\ &= (a - a)f(a) + \int_{-\infty}^a f(x)dx + (a - a)f(a) - \int_a^{\infty} f(x)dx \text{ (Leibniz Rule)} \\ &\stackrel{set}{=} 0 \\ \therefore F(a) - [1 - F(a)] &= 0 \\ F(a) &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \therefore a &= m \\ \therefore \frac{\partial^2 \mathbb{E}|X - a|}{\partial a^2} &= 2f(a) \geq 0 \\ \therefore \min_a \mathbb{E}|X - a| &= \mathbb{E}|X - m|\end{aligned}$$

2.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n &\stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Ber}(p) \\ \therefore \mathcal{L}(p; \mathbf{x}) &= \prod_{i=1}^n p^{x_i} (1 - p)^{1 - x_i}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \\
p(p|\mathbf{x}) &\propto \mathcal{L}(p; \mathbf{x}) \pi(p) \\
&= p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} p^{\alpha-1} (1-p)^{\beta-1} \\
&\propto p^{\alpha+\sum_{i=1}^n x_i-1} (1-p)^{\beta+n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i-1}
\end{aligned}$$

We recognize that this is the kernel of  $Beta(\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \beta + n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i)$

(b)

By the property of Beta distribution,  $\mathbb{E}(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$  if  $X \sim Beta(\alpha, \beta)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore \hat{p}_{\text{Bayes}} &= \mathbb{E}(p|\mathbf{x}) \\
&= \frac{\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\alpha + \beta + n}
\end{aligned}$$

(c)

Let  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ , then  $Y \sim Bin(n, p)$ . Under the squared error loss

$$\begin{aligned}
R(p, \hat{p}_{\text{Bayes}}) &= \mathbb{E}(p - \hat{p}_{\text{Bayes}})^2 \\
&= \mathbb{E}\left(p - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \alpha}{\alpha + \beta + n}\right)^2 \\
&= \mathbb{E}\left[p^2 - \frac{2p(y + \alpha)}{\alpha + \beta + n} + \frac{(y + \alpha)^2}{(\alpha + \beta + n)^2}\right] \\
&= p^2 - \frac{2np^2 + 2p\alpha}{\alpha + \beta + n} + \frac{\mathbb{E}(y^2) + 2\alpha\mathbb{E}(y) + \alpha^2}{(\alpha + \beta + n)^2} \\
&= p^2 - 2\frac{p(np + \alpha)}{\alpha + \beta + n} + \frac{np(1-p) + (np)^2 + 2\alpha np + \alpha^2}{(\alpha + \beta + n)^2} \\
&= \left(p - \frac{np + \alpha}{\alpha + \beta + n}\right)^2 + \frac{np(1-p)}{(\alpha + \beta + n)^2}
\end{aligned}$$

(d)

When  $\alpha = \beta = \sqrt{n/4}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{p}_{\text{Bayes}} &= \frac{\sqrt{n/4} + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\sqrt{n} + n} \\
R(p, \hat{p}_{\text{Bayes}}) &= \left(p - \frac{np + \sqrt{n/4}}{\sqrt{n} + n}\right)^2 + \frac{np(1-p)}{(\sqrt{n} + n)^2} \\
&= \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}p + np - np - \sqrt{n/4}}{\sqrt{n} + n}\right)^2 + \frac{np(1-p)}{(\sqrt{n} + n)^2} \\
&= \left[\frac{\sqrt{n}(p - 1/2)}{\sqrt{n} + n}\right]^2 + \frac{np(1-p)}{(\sqrt{n} + n)^2} \\
&= \frac{n(p - 1/2)^2}{(\sqrt{n} + n)^2} + \frac{np(1-p)}{(\sqrt{n} + n)^2} \\
&= \frac{n/4}{(\sqrt{n} + n)^2} \\
&= \frac{n}{4(\sqrt{n} + n)^2}
\end{aligned}$$

### 3.

#### (a)

Linear regression:

$$\begin{aligned}
y_i &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_i \end{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \epsilon_i \\
\therefore \hat{f}(x_0) &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{N \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 & -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \\ -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i & N \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\
&= \frac{1}{N \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2} \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - x_0 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i & N x_0 - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{N \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i^2 - x_0 x_i) + N x_0 x_i - x_i \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right] y_i \\
\therefore \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) &= \frac{1}{N \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i^2 - x_0 x_i) + N x_0 x_i - x_i \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right]
\end{aligned}$$

K-nearest neighbors:

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{f}(x_0) &= k^{-1} \sum_{x_i \in N(x_0)} y_i \\
\therefore \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) &= \mathbf{1}(x_i \in N(x_0))
\end{aligned}$$

#### (b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}|\mathcal{X}}(f(x_0) - \hat{f}(x_0))^2 &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}|\mathcal{X}} \left( f(x_0) - \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) y_i \right)^2 \\
&= f(x_0)^2 - 2f(x_0) \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) \mathbb{E}(y_i|\mathcal{X}) + \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_i, \mathcal{X}) y_i \right)^2 \middle| \mathcal{X} \right] \\
&= f(x_0)^2 - 2f(x_0) \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i) + \text{Var} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) y_i \middle| \mathcal{X} \right] + \mathbb{E} \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_i, \mathcal{X}) y_i \middle| \mathcal{X} \right)^2 \\
&= f(x_0)^2 - 2f(x_0) \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i) + \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X})^2 + \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i) \right]^2 \\
&= \left[ f(x_0) - \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i) \right]^2 + \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X})^2
\end{aligned}$$

#### (c)

By the law of iterated expectation,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{X}}(f(x_0) - \hat{f}(x_0))^2 &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}|\mathcal{X}}(f(x_0) - \hat{f}(x_0))^2] \\
&= f(x_0)^2 - 2f(x_0) \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}[\ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i)] + \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}[\ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X})^2] + \mathbb{E} \left\{ \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i) \right]^2 \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \left\{ f(x_0) - \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}[\ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i)] \right\}^2 + \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}[\ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X})^2] + \text{Var} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \ell_i(x_0, \mathcal{X}) f(x_i) \right]$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bias}_{\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{X}}^2(\hat{f}(x_0)) &= \mathbb{E}[\text{Bias}_{\mathcal{Y}|\mathcal{X}}^2(\hat{f}(x_0))] - \text{Var}[\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}|\mathcal{X}}(\hat{f}(x_0))] \\ \text{Var}_{\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{X}}(\hat{f}(x_0)) &= \mathbb{E}[\text{Var}_{\mathcal{Y}|\mathcal{X}}(\hat{f}(x_0))] + \text{Var}[\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}|\mathcal{X}}(\hat{f}(x_0))] \end{aligned}$$