

Polynomial Regression (Handwriting Assignment)

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Introduction

In the mid-term project, we will look at a polynomial regression algorithm which can be used to fit non-linear data by using a polynomial function. The polynomial Regression is a form of regression analysis in which the relationship between the independent variable x and the dependent variable y is modeled as an n th degree polynomial in x .

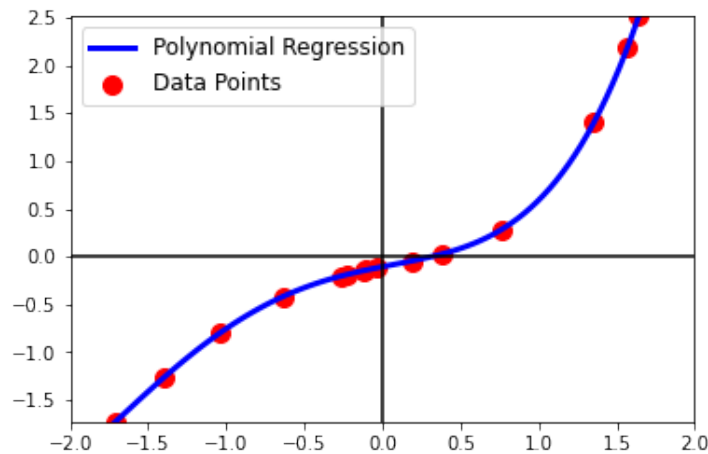


Figure 1: Example of Polynomial Regression

First, what is a regression? we can find a definition from the book as follows: *Regression analysis is a form of predictive modelling technique which investigates the relationship between a dependent and independent variable.* Actually, this definition is a bookish definition, in simple terms the regression can be defined as *finding a function that best explain data which consists of input and output pairs.* Let assume that we have 100 data points,

$$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3), \dots, (x_{98}, y_{98}), (x_{99}, y_{99}), (x_{100}, y_{100}).$$

The goal of regression is to find a function \hat{f} such that

$$\hat{f}(x_1) = y_1, \hat{f}(x_2) = y_2, \hat{f}(x_3) = y_3, \dots, \hat{f}(x_{99}) = y_{99}, \hat{f}(x_{100}) = y_{100}.$$

This is the simplest definition of the regression problem. Note that many details about regression analysis are omitted here, but, you will learn more rigorous definition in other courses such as

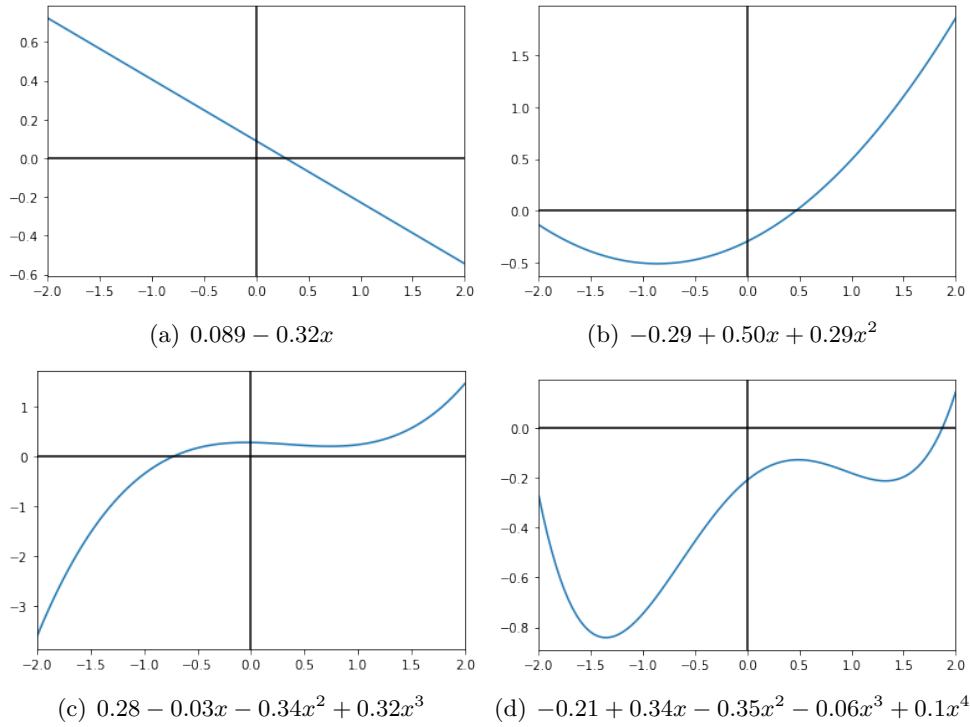


Figure 2: Examples of polynomial functions

machine learning or statistics. Then, the polynomial regression is the regression framework that employs the polynomial function to fit the data.

So, what is the polynomial function? I guess you may remember, from high school, the following functions:

$$\text{Degree of 0 : } f(x) = w_0$$

$$\text{Degree of 1 : } f(x) = w_1 \cdot x + w_0$$

$$\text{Degree of 2 : } f(x) = w_2 \cdot x^2 + w_1 \cdot x + w_0$$

$$\text{Degree of 3 : } f(x) = w_3 \cdot x^3 + w_2 \cdot x^2 + w_1 \cdot x + w_0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\text{Degree of } d : f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d w_i \cdot x^i,$$

where w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d are a coefficient of polynomial and d is called a degree of a polynomial. So, we can determine a polynomial function $f(x)$ by deciding its degree d and corresponding coefficients $\{w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d\}$. Figure 2 illustrates some examples of polynomial functions.

Then, the polynomial regression is a regression problem to find the best polynomial function to fit the given data points. Especially, the polynomial function is determined by coefficients (let just assume that d is fixed). We can restate the polynomial regression as *finding coefficients of polynomials such that, for all data point, (x_i, y_i) , $y_i = \hat{f}(x_i)$ holds* (if we have noise free data). Figure 1 shows the example of polynomial regression. In the following problems, you have to study how to compute the coefficients of the polynomial to fit the data points.

Problems

1. (80 pt. in total)

Assume that we have n data points, $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$. Let the degree of polynomial be d . Then, we want to find $w_0, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_d$ of the polynomial such that

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{f}(x_1) &= w_0 + w_1x_1 + w_2x_1^2 + \dots + w_dx_1^d = y_1, \\ \hat{f}(x_2) &= w_0 + w_1x_2 + w_2x_2^2 + \dots + w_dx_2^d = y_2, \\ \hat{f}(x_3) &= w_0 + w_1x_3 + w_2x_3^2 + \dots + w_dx_3^d = y_3, \\ \hat{f}(x_4) &= w_0 + w_1x_4 + w_2x_4^2 + \dots + w_dx_4^d = y_4, \\ \hat{f}(x_5) &= w_0 + w_1x_5 + w_2x_5^2 + \dots + w_dx_5^d = y_5, \\ &\vdots \\ \hat{f}(x_n) &= w_0 + w_1x_n + w_2x_n^2 + \dots + w_dx_n^d = y_n.\end{aligned}$$

Now, we reformulate the equations into the vector and matrix form. First, let $\mathbf{w} = [w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d]^T$ and $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n]^T$. Then, the above equations can be rewritten as

$$\hat{f}(x_1) = [1, x_1, x_1^2, x_1^3, \dots, x_1^d] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{bmatrix} = [1, x_1, x_1^2, x_1^3, \dots, x_1^d] \mathbf{w} = y_1$$

Similarly, we have,

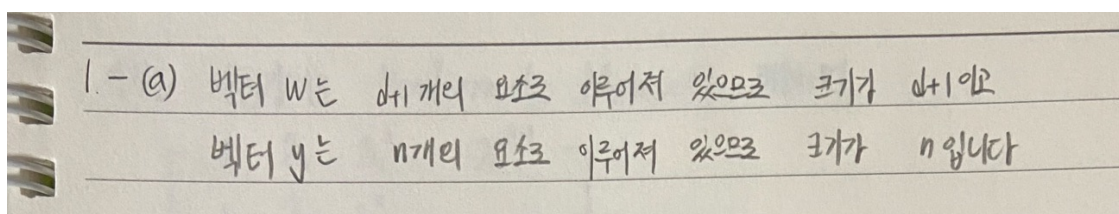
$$\begin{aligned}[1, x_2, x_2^2, x_2^3, \dots, x_2^d] \mathbf{w} &= y_2, \\ [1, x_3, x_3^2, x_3^3, \dots, x_3^d] \mathbf{w} &= y_3, \\ [1, x_4, x_4^2, x_4^3, \dots, x_4^d] \mathbf{w} &= y_4, \\ [1, x_5, x_5^2, x_5^3, \dots, x_5^d] \mathbf{w} &= y_5, \\ &\vdots \\ [1, x_n, x_n^2, x_n^3, \dots, x_n^d] \mathbf{w} &= y_n.\end{aligned}$$

Then, all equations can be written as the form of linear equation,

$$A\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{y},$$

where A is the stack of $[1, x_i, x_i^2, x_i^3, \dots, x_i^d]$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. Under this setting, answer the following questions.

1-(a) What is the size of vector \mathbf{w} and \mathbf{y} ? (10pt)



1-(b) What is the size of matrix A? Write A. (10pt)

1-(b)

$$\text{matrix } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & x_1^3 & \dots & x_1^d \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & x_2^3 & \dots & x_2^d \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & x_n^3 & \dots & x_n^d \end{bmatrix}$$

size of matrix A is 각의 요소와 세로 요소의 곱을 곱한 $n \times (d+1)$ 이다

1-(c) Let $d+1 = n$, then, A becomes a square matrix. Compute the determinant of A. (40pt in total, Derivation: 30pt, Answer: 10pt, Hint: Vandermonde Matrix.)

1-(c) 예를 들어 3×3 matrix를 이용하여 구하고 이것을 $n \times n$ 로 확장하겠습니다

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 \\ 1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_2^2 \\ 1 & \lambda_3 & \lambda_3^2 \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 - \lambda_1 & \lambda_2^2 - \lambda_1^2 \\ 0 & \lambda_3 - \lambda_1 & \lambda_3^2 - \lambda_1^2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ 여기서 주행렬}$$

$$= (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)(\lambda_3 - \lambda_1) \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda_1 + \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ 여기서 2번째 row에 } \lambda_1 \text{을 빼고 1번 row를 빼고}$$

$$= (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)(\lambda_3 - \lambda_1) \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 - \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ 3번째 row에 } \lambda_1 \text{을 빼고 1번 row를 빼면}$$

$$= (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)(\lambda_3 - \lambda_1) \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda_2 \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ 이것을 정리하면}$$

$$= (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1)(\lambda_3 - \lambda_1) \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_2 \\ 1 & \lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ 이다 이것은 } \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} (\lambda_j - \lambda_i) \neq 0 \text{ 이다}$$

이것을 마찬가지로 Vandermonde Matrix에 적용하면

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 & \dots & \lambda_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & \lambda_2 & \lambda_2^2 & \dots & \lambda_2^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \lambda_n & \lambda_n^2 & \dots & \lambda_n^{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \text{ 이것은 } 3 \times 3 \text{ matrix와의 같은 방법으로 줄여보면}$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \lambda_1 & \lambda_1^2 & \dots & \lambda_1^{n-1} \\ 0 & \lambda_2 - \lambda_1 & \lambda_2^2 - \lambda_1^2 & \dots & \lambda_2^{n-1} - \lambda_1^{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \lambda_n - \lambda_1 & \lambda_n^2 - \lambda_1^2 & \dots & \lambda_n^{n-1} - \lambda_1^{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \prod_{2 \leq j \leq n} (\lambda_j - \lambda_1) \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & \dots & \lambda_2^{n-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & \dots & \lambda_n^{n-2} \end{bmatrix} \text{ 이것을 정리하면}$$

$$= \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (\lambda_j - \lambda_i) \neq 0 \text{ 이므로 항상 성립한다}$$

1-(d) What is the condition that makes the determinant of A non-zero? (10pt)

1-(d) det A가 0이 아닌 한 조건은 $(\lambda_j - \lambda_i) \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n$ 가 0이 아닐 때 non zero가 된다

1-(e) Assume that the determinant of A is non-zero, then, what is the solution of linear equation, $Aw = y$, with respect to w? (10pt)

1-(e) det A가 0이 아닌 것은 많은 unique solution을 갖거나 inverse가 존재한다는 의미이다

$$Aw = y \text{ 에서 양변에 } A^{-1} \text{를 주면}$$

$$A^{-1}Aw = A^{-1}y$$

$$= W = A^{-1}y \text{ 이므로}$$

답은 $w = A^{-1}y$ 이다

2. (20pt)

Suppose that $n > d + 1$. Then, we cannot compute the inverse of A since A is not a square matrix. In this case, how can we solve the linear equation $A\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{y}$? (Hint: Pseudo Inverse)

