

# Week 3 - Linear Regression

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## Exercise 1

- **Question:**

$$t = y(x, w) + \text{noise} \Rightarrow w = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T t$$

- **We have:**

- A observation:  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N)^T$
- Total observation N
- Target values:  $t = (t_1, t_2, t_3, \dots, t_N)^T$

$$\Rightarrow t = y(x, w) + N(0, \beta^{-1})t$$

$$= N(y(x, w), \beta^{-1})$$

with  $\beta = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$

$$\Rightarrow p(t|x, w, \beta) = N(t|y(x, w), \beta^{-1})$$

Using maximum likelihood to observe data for model parameters  $w, \beta^{-1}$ , we have:

$$p(t|x, w, \beta) = \prod_{i=1}^N N(t_i|y(x, w), \beta^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow p(t|x, w, \beta) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\beta^{-1}}}\right)^N \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-\beta}{2}(t_n - y(x, w))\right)$$

Because log:  $R^+ \mapsto R$  is an increasing function, we can instead maximize the log of the likelihood, which results in a simpler mathematical expression.

$$LL(t|x, w, \beta) = \frac{-N}{2} \log(2\pi\beta^{-1}) - \frac{1}{2\beta^{-1}} \prod_{i=1}^N (y(x, w) - t)^2$$

We would like to find  $w$  that maximizes the log-likelihood. Alternatively, we can minimize the negative log-likelihood.

$$NLL(t|x, w, \beta) = \frac{1}{2} \beta \prod_{i=1}^N (y(x, w) - t)^2 + \frac{N}{2} \log(2\pi\beta^{-1})$$

$$\text{Minimize } NLL(t|x, w, \beta) \leftrightarrow \text{Minimize } S = \prod_{i=1}^N (y(x, w) - t)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{min} = \|Xw - t\|^2$$

$$S_{min} = t^T t - (Xw)^T t - t^T (Xw) + (Xw)^T (Xw)$$

$$S_{min} = t^T t - 2(Xw)^T t + (Xw)^T (Xw)$$

$$S_{min} = t^T t - 2X^T w^T t + w^T X^T X w$$

$$\text{With } \frac{dS}{dw} = -2X^T t + 2X^T X w = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2X^T X w = 2X^T t$$

$$\Leftrightarrow w = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T t$$