

### 3. Linear Regression

Consider the given data

Year	Sales (₹)	Advertising (₹)
1	651	23
2	762	26
3	856	30
4	1063	34
5	1190	43
6	1298	48
7	1421	52
8	1440	57
9	1518	58

Response Variable ( $y$ )

Regressor / Explanatory variable ( $x$ )

Q: How to predict the Sales, as a function of Advertising?

#### Regression

Regression is an ML technique, which precisely addresses this problem.

Regression: Algorithm to predict a Response variable, based on a set of Regressors or Explanatory variable.

#### Multiple Linear regression

	TV ( $x_1$ )	Radio ( $x_2$ )	Newspaper ( $x_3$ )	Sales ( $y$ )
0	230.1	37.8	69.2	922.1
1	44.5	39.3	45.1	510.4
2	17.2	45.9	69.3	129.3
3	151.5	41.3	58.5	618.5
4	180.8	10.8	58.4	712.9

Regressors / Explanatory variables ( $\vec{x}$ )

Response variable ( $y$ )



In general, the regressor  $\bar{x}$  can be an  $n$ -dimensional vector.

\*  $x_1 \rightarrow$  cost of TV advertising

\*  $x_2 \rightarrow$  cost of Radio advertising

\*  $x_3 \rightarrow$  cost of Newspaper advertising and so on...

Other examples

(i)  $y(k) \rightarrow$  Price of particular stock at time  $k$

$\left. \begin{matrix} x_1(k) \\ x_2(k) \\ \vdots \\ x_N(k) \end{matrix} \right\} \rightarrow$  Prices of related stocks at time  $k$

(ii)  $y(k) \rightarrow$  Sales of SUV at time  $k$

$\left. \begin{matrix} x_1(k) \\ x_2(k) \\ \vdots \\ x_N(k) \end{matrix} \right\} \rightarrow$  Sales of bikes, Sales of cars, Average income, ... at time  $k$ .

### Linear Regression

The outputs  $y(k)$  can be modeled using a linear combination of Regressors / Explanatory variables  $x_i(k)$ .

$$y(k) = h_0 + h_1 x_1(k) + \dots + h_m x_n(k) + \epsilon(k)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1(k) & x_2(k) & \dots & x_n(k) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_0 \\ h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_n \end{bmatrix} + \epsilon(k)$$

$$= \bar{x}^T(k) \bar{h} + \epsilon(k)$$

This is termed Linear Regression.

$h_0, h_1, \dots, h_n$  are termed Regression coefficients



The Regression coefficients can be computed as follows.

① Consider the availability of training pairs  $(y(k), \bar{x}(k))$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, M$ .

② The training set can be expressed as

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y(1) \\ y(2) \\ \vdots \\ y(M) \end{bmatrix}}_{\bar{y}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}^T(1) \\ \bar{x}^T(2) \\ \vdots \\ \bar{x}^T(M) \end{bmatrix}}_X \bar{h} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e(1) \\ e(2) \\ \vdots \\ e(M) \end{bmatrix}}_{\bar{e}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \bar{y} = X \bar{h} + \bar{e}$$

④  $X$  is a TALL matrix.

The matrix  $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T$  is termed as the pseudo-inverse of  $X$ , since

$$\underbrace{(X^T X)^{-1} X^T}_{\text{pseudo-inverse}} \times X = I$$

⑤ Recall, the learning model is  $\bar{y} = X \bar{h} + \bar{e}$

To determine regression coefficients  $\bar{h}$ , solve the problem

$$\min \left\| \underbrace{\bar{y} - X \bar{h}}_{\bar{e}} \right\|^2$$

This is termed as the Least Squares (LS) problem.

⑥ The Least Squares (LS) solution is

$$\begin{aligned} \min \left\| \bar{y} - X \bar{h} \right\|^2 &= (\bar{y} - X \bar{h})^T (\bar{y} - X \bar{h}) \\ &= (\bar{y}^T - \bar{h}^T X^T) (\bar{y} - X \bar{h}) \\ &= \bar{y}^T \bar{y} - \bar{h}^T X^T \bar{y} - \bar{y}^T X \bar{h} + \bar{h}^T X^T X \bar{h} \end{aligned}$$



① To minimize, evaluate the gradient w.r.t.  $\bar{h}$  and set it equal to zero.

The gradient w.r.t.  $\bar{h}$  is defined as

$$\nabla_f(\bar{h}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial h_1}(\bar{h}) \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial h_2}(\bar{h}) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial h_t}(\bar{h}) \end{bmatrix}$$

② Use the principles

$$* \nabla \bar{c}^T \bar{h} = \bar{c}$$

$$* \text{If } P^T = P, \nabla \bar{h}^T P \bar{h} = 2P \bar{h}$$

③ Solve using Lagrangian

$$f(\bar{h}) = \bar{y}^T \bar{y} - \bar{h}^T X^T \bar{y} - \bar{y}^T X \bar{h} + \bar{h}^T X^T X \bar{h}$$

$$\nabla_f(\bar{h}) = -2X^T \bar{y} + 2X^T X \bar{h} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\bar{h} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \bar{y}}$$

This is the Least Squares (LS) solution.



Problem 1: Calculate  $(X^T X)^{-1}$ , given  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$X^T X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 10 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(X^T X)^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(X^T X)} \text{adj}(X^T X)$$

$$= \frac{1}{120 - 100} \begin{bmatrix} 30 & -10 \\ -10 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 30 & -10 \\ -10 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 2: Find the pseudo-inverse of  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{Pseudo-inverse of } X = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T$$

$$= \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 30 & -10 \\ -10 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 10 & 0 & -10 \\ -6 & -2 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Problem 3: Solve the LS problem below, and calculate  $\bar{h}$

$$\min \left\| \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\bar{y}} - \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}}_X \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_0 \\ h_1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\bar{h}} \right\|_2$$

$M=4$   
Training  
samples

2 Regression  
coefficients

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(4)  $4 > 2$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Tall Matrix



We have,  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{h} = \begin{bmatrix} h_0 \\ h_1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\bar{h} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \cdot \bar{y}$$

$$= \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 10 & 0 & -10 \\ -6 & -2 & 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{h} = \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is the Regression coefficient vector.

(ii) For a given set of training data, and given a set of inputs and outputs, this is how we learn the Regression coefficients.