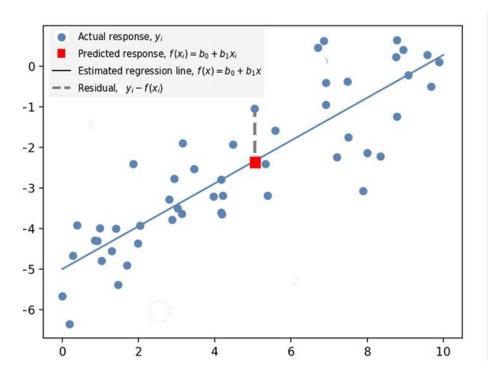


CSC380: Principles of Data Science

Linear Models 2

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Review: Least Squares Solution



Functional Find a line that minimizes the sum of squared residuals!

Given:
$$\{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})\}_{i=1}^{m}$$

Compute:
 $w^* = \arg\min_{w} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - w^T x^{(i)})^2$

Least squares regression

Least Squares: Higher Dimensions

Least squares can also be written more $\|x\| := \sqrt{x \cdot x}$. compactly,

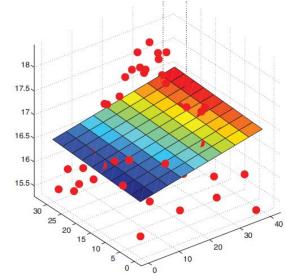
$$\|oldsymbol{x}\| := \sqrt{oldsymbol{x} \cdot oldsymbol{x}}.$$

$$\min_{w} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y^{(i)} - w^{T} x^{(i)})^{2} = \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X} w\|^{2}$$

Some slightly more advanced linear algebra gives us a solution,

$$w = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) solution

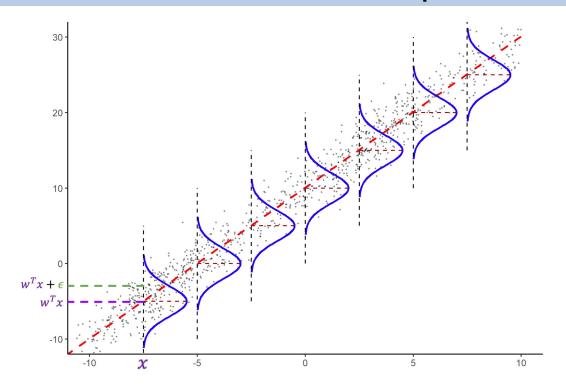


There are several ways to think about fitting regression:

- Intuitive Find a plane/line that is close to data
- Functional Find a line that minimizes the least squares loss
- Estimation Find maximum likelihood estimate of parameters

They are all the same thing...

Probabilistic Assumptions



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· Equivalently,

$$p(y|x;w) = \mathcal{N}(w^T x, \sigma^2)$$

Why? Adding a constant to a Normal RV is still a Normal RV,

$$z \sim \mathcal{N}(m, P)$$
 $z + c \sim \mathcal{N}(m + c, P)$

for our case, linear regression $z \leftarrow \epsilon$ and $c \leftarrow w^T x$

MLE for Linear Regression

Given training data $\{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})\}_{i=1}^m$, maximize the likelihood!

$$\widehat{w} = \arg\max_{w} \log \prod_{i=1}^{m} p(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}; w)$$

$$= \arg\max_{w} \log \prod_{i=1}^{m} p(x^{(i)}) p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; w) \qquad \text{note } p(x^{(i)}) \text{ does not depend on } w!$$

$$= \arg\max_{w} \log \prod_{i=1}^{m} p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; w) \qquad \text{subtracting a constant w.r.t. w does not affect the solution w!}$$

$$= \arg\max_{w} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; w) \qquad \text{note model assumption!} \quad p(y|x; w) = \mathcal{N}(w^{T}x, \sigma^{2})$$

Univariate Gaussian (Normal) Distribution

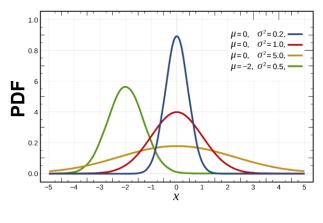
Let's focuson 1d case. Let $\mu = w^T x$ for now.

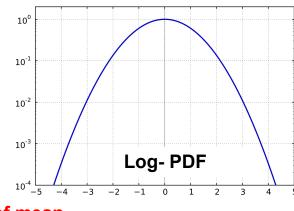
Gaussian (a.k.a. Normal) distribution with mean (location) μ and variance (squared scale) σ^2 parameters,

$$\mathcal{N}(y; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(y-\mu)^2/\sigma^2\right)$$

The logarithm of the PDF if just a negative quadratic,

$$\log \mathcal{N}(y; \mu, \sigma^2) = -\frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi - \log \sigma - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - \mu)^2$$

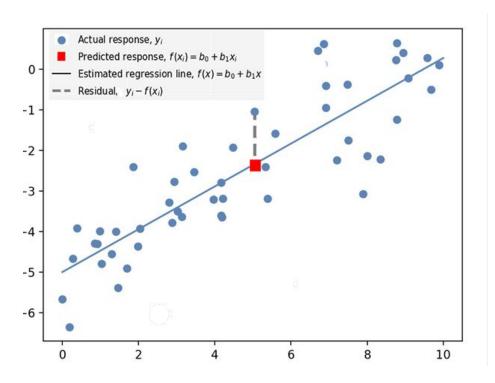




Constant w.r.t. mean

Quadratic Function of mean

MLE of Linear Regression



Substitute linear regression prediction into MLE solution and we have,

$$\arg\min_{w} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - w^{T} x^{(i)})^{2}$$

So for Linear Regression, MLE = Least Squares Estimation

Linear Regression Summary

1. The linear regression model (assumption),

$$y = w^T x + \epsilon$$
 where $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 I)$

2. For N iid training data fit using least squares,

$$w^{\text{OLS}} = \arg\min_{w} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y^{(i)} - w^{T} x^{(i)})^{2}$$

3. Equivalent to maximum likelihood solution

$$w^{\text{OLS}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Least squares solution requires inversion of the term,

$$(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

What is the issue?

May be non-invertible!

Invertible matrix

Invertible matrix: a matrix A of dimension n x n is called invertible if and only if there exists another matrix B of the same dimension, such that AB = BA = I, where I is the identity matrix of the same order.

$$A = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 $AB = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $BA = egin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 \ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

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Use Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse ('dagger' notation)

$$w^{\text{OLS}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{\dagger} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

- Generalization of the standard matrix inverse for non-invertible matrices.
- Directly computable in most libraries
- In Numpy it is: linalg.pinv

Linear Regression in Scikit-Learn

For Evaluation

Load your libraries,

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
from sklearn import datasets, linear_model
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score
```



Load data,

```
# Load the diabetes dataset
diabetes_X, diabetes_y = datasets.load_diabetes(return_X_y=True)
# Use only one feature
diabetes_X = diabetes_X[:, np.newaxis, 2]
```

^: same as diabetes_X[:,[2]]

Train / Test Split:

```
diabetes_X_train = diabetes_X[:-20]
diabetes_X_test = diabetes_X[-20:]
```

Samples total	442
Dimensionality	10
Features	real,2 < x < .2
Targets	integer 25 - 346

diabetes_y_train = diabetes_y[:-20]
diabetes_y_test = diabetes_y[-20:]

Linear Regression in Scikit-Learn

Train (fit) and predict,

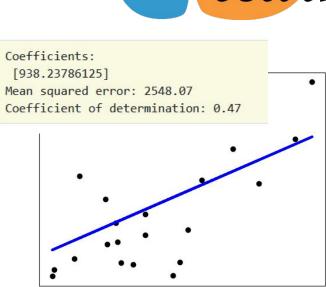
```
# Create linear regression object
regr = linear_model.LinearRegression()

# Train the model using the training sets
regr.fit(diabetes_X_train, diabetes_y_train)

# Make predictions using the testing set
diabetes_y_pred = regr.predict(diabetes_X_test)
```

Plot regression line with the test set,





Regularized Least Squares

Alternatives to Ordinary Least Squares (OLS)

Recall: OLS solution

$$w^{\text{OLS}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Use Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse ('dagger' notation)

$$w^{\text{OLS}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{\dagger} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Or, use L2 Regularized Least Squares (RLS)

$$w^{L2} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \lambda I)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Q: why is this called regularized least squares?

Regularization

$$w^{L2} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \lambda I)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Turns out, w^{L2} is the solution of

$$w^{\mathrm{L}2} = \arg\min_{w} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - w^T x^{(i)})^2 + \lambda \|w\|^2 \quad \text{recall: } \|w\| = \sqrt{\sum_{d=1}^{D} w_d^2}$$
 \tag{\lambda: Regularization Strength} \|w\|^2:\text{Regularization Penalty}

Prefers smaller magnitudes for w!

λ very small: almost OLS

 λ very large: $w \approx 0$ and high trainset error

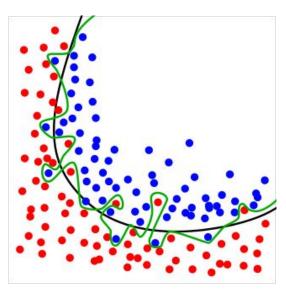
Challenges in ML

Okay, we have a training data. Why not learn the most complex function that can work flawlessly for the training data and be done with it? (i.e., classifies every data point correctly)

Extreme example: Let's memorize the data. To predict an unseen data, just follow the label of the closest memorized data.

Doesn't generalize to unseen data – called *overfitting* the training data.

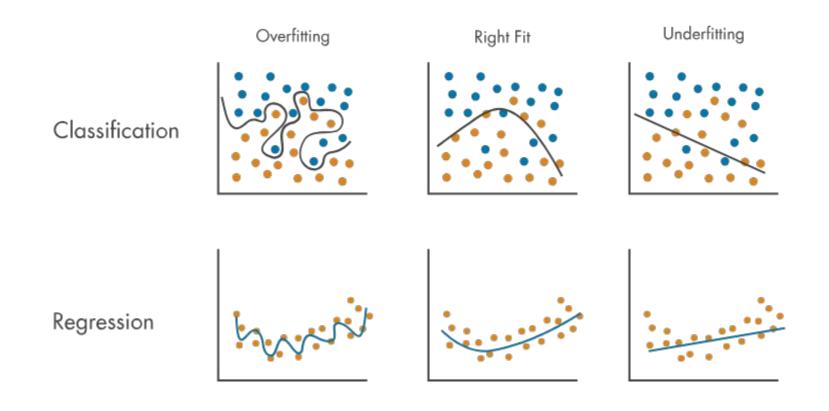
<u>Solution</u>: Fit the train set but don't "over-do" it. This is called regularization.



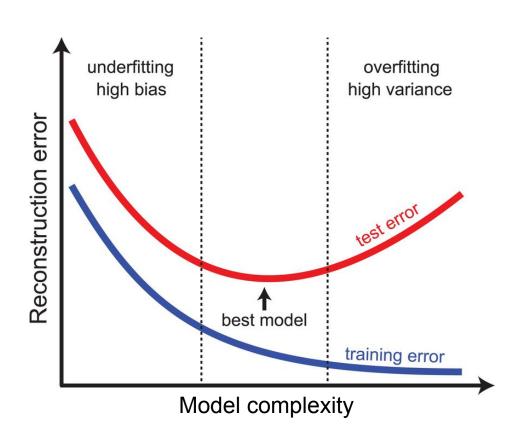
green: almost memorization

black: true decision boundary

Overfitting vs Underfitting

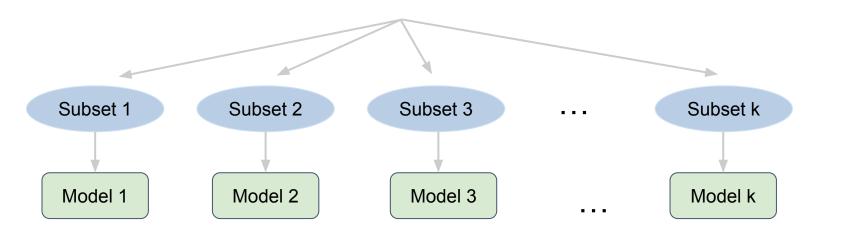


Bias-Variance Tradeoff



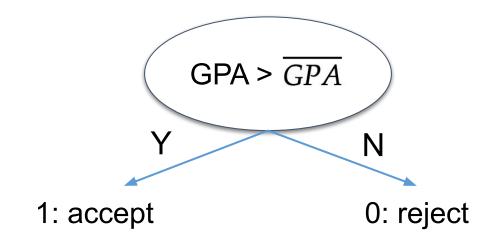
Bias-Variance Tradeoff: an example

Student ID	GPA	Working experiences	 Demographics
0			



Task: given a new student, predict if accepted or rejected.

Option 1: overly simple model



Models are similar but wrong on average:

- Bias high
- Variance low

 GPA_i is similar for i = 1, 2, ... k

Model 1

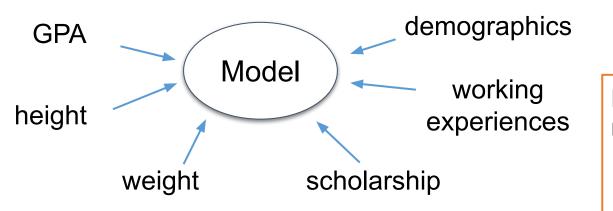
Model 2

Model 3

. . .

Model k

Option 2: overly complex model



Models are different but right on average:

- Bias low
- Variance high

small changes in training set — big changes in the model

Model 1

Model 2

Model 3

. . .

Model k

Regularization

- 1d case
 - Suppose that $y = wx + \epsilon$, and the true model is w = 0 ($y = \epsilon$)
 - However, OLS is highly probable to 'exaggerate' the effect of x to decrease train set error: (overfitting) $w = \frac{\sum_i y^{(i)} x^{(i)}}{\sum_{i} (x^{(j)})^2}$

 On the other hand, RLS will try to balance the train set error and the penalty caused by the large norm

$$w^{RLS} = \frac{\sum_{i} y^{(i)} x^{(i)}}{\sum_{j} (x^{(j)})^{2} + \lambda}$$
$$|w^{RLS}| < |w^{OLS}|$$

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In short, the benefits of L2-RLS

- No need to worry about the estimator being undefined (due to matrix inversion)
- Avoid overfitting (if λ is chosen well)!

Scikit-Learn: L2 Regularized Regression

sklearn.linear_model.Ridge

class sklearn.linear_model.Ridge(alpha=1.0, *, fit_intercept=True, normalize='deprecated', copy_X=True, max_iter=None, tol=0.001, solver='auto', positive=False, random_state=None) \P [source]

Minimizes the objective function:

Alpha is what we have been calling λ

alpha: {float, ndarray of shape (n_targets,)}, default=1.0

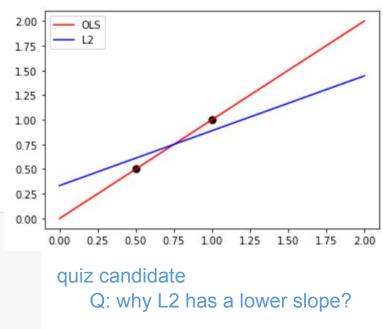
Regularization strength; must be a positive float. Regularization improves the conditioning of the problem and reduces the variance of the estimates. Larger values specify stronger regularization. Alpha corresponds to 1 / (2C) in other linear models such as LogisticRegression or LinearSVC. If an array is passed, penalties are assumed to be specific to the targets. Hence they must correspond in number.

Define and fit OLS and L2 regression,

```
ols=linear_model.LinearRegression()
ols.fit(X_train, y_train)
ridge=linear_model.Ridge(alpha=0.1)
ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

Plot results,

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.scatter(X_train, y_train, s=50, c="black", marker="o")
ax.plot(X_test, ols.predict(X_test), color="red", label="OLS")
ax.plot(X_test, ridge.predict(X_test), color="blue", label="L2")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



L2 (Ridge) reduces impact of any single data point

Notes on L2 Regularization

- Feature weights are "shrunk" towards zero statisticians often call this a "shrinkage" method
- Common practice: Do **not** penalize bias (y-intercept, w_D) parameter,

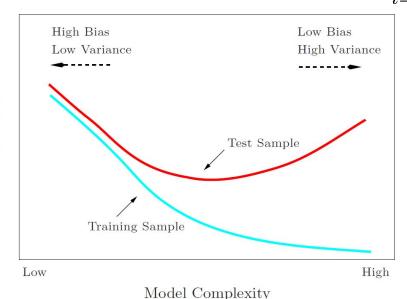
$$\min_{w} \sum_{i} (y^{(i)} - w^T x^{(i)})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{d=1}^{D-1} w_d^2$$
 Recall: we enforced
$$x_{\scriptscriptstyle D}^{(i)} = 1 \text{ so that } w_{\scriptscriptstyle D} \text{ encodes the intercept}$$

• Penalizing intercept will make solution depend on origin for Y. i.e., add a constant c to $y^{(i)}$'s \Rightarrow the solutions changes!

Choosing Regularization Strength

We need to tune regularization strength to avoid over/under fitting...

$$w^{L2} = \arg\min_{w} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - w^{T} x^{(i)})^{2} + \lambda ||w||^{2}$$



Prediction Error

Recall bias/variance tradeoff

High regularization *reduces* model complexity: *increases* bias / *decreases* variance

Q: How should we properly tune λ ?

cross validation!