Linear regression unit:

- Simple linear regression with ordinary least squares (Monday)
- Lab activity: Linear regression (Wednesday)
- Deriving a closed form solution (today)
- Newton's method and gradient descent (next week Monday)
- Training linear regression using gradient descent (next week Wednesday)

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Today:

- Deriving simple linear regression
- Deriving multiple linear regression
- Deriving MLR with ridge or LASSO regularization

Simple linear regression:

$$y(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

Loss function (sum square error):

$$\mathcal{L}(\vec{\theta}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - y(x_n))^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - \theta_0 - \theta_1 x_n)^2$$

Partial derivatives of the loss function:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_0} = -2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - \theta_1 x_n - \theta_0) \qquad \qquad \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_1} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} -2x_n (y_n - \theta_1 x_n - \theta_0)$$

Closed form solution:

$$\theta_0 = \bar{y} - \theta_1 \bar{x}$$
 $\theta_1 = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (x_n - \bar{x})(y_n - \bar{y})}{\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (x_n - \bar{x})^2}$

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... where \bar{y} and \bar{x} are the mean values of y and x

Multiple linear regression:

$$y(\mathbf{x}) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_D x_D = \theta_0 + \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}$$

Most general form of linear regression on arbitrary basis functions $\phi_1 \dots \phi_D$:

$$y(\mathbf{x}) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 \phi_1(\mathbf{x}) + \cdots + \phi_D(\mathbf{x})$$

Polynomial regression—assume original data is scalar and basis functions are $\phi_i(x) = x^i$.

$$y(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2 + \cdots + \theta_D x^D$$

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(It's called *linear regression* because the components are combined linearly.)

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If we extend each observation so that it has 1 in position 0, that is $\mathbf{x} = [1, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_D]$ (so each observation acts like a vector of length D + 1), and interpret $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ as $[\theta_0, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_D]$, then the model family is

$$y(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}$$

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Loss function:

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - y(\mathbf{x}_n))^2$$

= $\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - \theta_0 - \theta_1 \mathbf{x}_{n,1} \cdots - \theta_D \mathbf{x}_{n,D})^2$
= $||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\theta}||_2^2$ L_2 (Euclidean) norm, squared
= $(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\theta})^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\theta})$ "linear algebra" form

Partial derivatives of the loss function, "non-linear-algebra form":

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - \theta_0 - \theta_1 \boldsymbol{x}_{n,1} \cdots - \theta_D \boldsymbol{x}_{n,D})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_0} = -2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - \theta_0 - \theta_1 \mathbf{x}_{n,1} \cdots - \theta_D \mathbf{x}_{n,D})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_i} = -2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathbf{x}_{n,i} (y_n - \theta_0 - \theta_1 \mathbf{x}_{n,1} \cdots - \theta_D \mathbf{x}_{n,D})$$

Redone in "linear-algebra form":

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (y_n - \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}_n)^2$$
$$= (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\theta})^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\theta})$$
$$= (\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} - 2\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\theta} + \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\theta}$$

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$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} (\boldsymbol{y}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{y} - 2 \boldsymbol{y}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\theta} + \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\theta})$$
$$= -2 \boldsymbol{y}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{X} + 2 \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{X}$$

Now we set the whole lot of the partial derivatives to **0**, that is, the zero vector of length D + 1, and solve for θ .

$$\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta) = -2\mathbf{y}^{T} \mathbf{X} + 2\theta^{T} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}$$
$$\mathbf{0} = -2\mathbf{y}^{T} \mathbf{X} + 2\theta^{T} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}$$
$$\mathbf{y}^{T} \mathbf{X} = \theta^{T} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}$$
$$\theta^{T} = \mathbf{y}^{T} \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X})^{-1}$$
$$\theta = (\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{y}$$

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5.1.2 Explicit solution

Least squares is the method that solves the empirical risk minimization problem for the hypothesis class (5.1) with respect to the squared loss. We want to find w that minimizes

$$\underset{w}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} C(w) = \underset{w}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} L(f_w) = \underset{w}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (w^T x_i - y_i)^2$$

Note that here we use the homogeneous notation: $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n, b), x_l = (x_{l1}, \dots, x_{ln}, 1)^T$. We will use the more compact notation and equivalent formulation

$$\arg\min_{w} C(w) = \frac{1}{2m} \arg\min_{w} \|Xw - Y\|^{2},$$
(5.3)

where $X = (x_{ij})_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $Y = (y_1, \dots, y_m)^T$, and $\|\cdot\|$ is the Euclidean norm in \mathbb{R}^m . The number *m* is the number of samples, and *n* is the number of *features*.

Han Veiga and Ged, pg 72

Corollary 5.1.4. Following Theorem 5.1.3 and assuming that the data $\{x_1, \ldots, x_m\}$ are not colinear, we can specify some properties of the solution w: (i) When n = m, we have by definition $X^+ = X^{-1}$ and thus $w = X^{-1}Y$. (ii) When m > n, X^TX is invertible, and there is a unique $w = (X^TX)^{-1}X^TY$. (iii) When n > m, X^TX is not invertible, and there are infinitely many solutions w.

Han Veiga and Ged, pg 74

The proof of this corollary is left as an exercise to the reader.

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Loss function for ridge regularization (ridge regression):

$$\mathcal{L}_{\textit{ridge}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \underbrace{||\boldsymbol{y}^{T} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \boldsymbol{X}||_{2}^{2}}_{\text{original loss}} + \underbrace{\alpha ||\boldsymbol{\theta}||_{2}^{2}}_{\text{regularizer}}$$

Finding a closed form for ridge regression:

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -2\boldsymbol{y}^{T} \mathbf{X} + 2\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} + 2\alpha \boldsymbol{\theta}$$
$$\mathbf{0} = -2\boldsymbol{y}^{T} \mathbf{X} + 2\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} + 2\alpha \boldsymbol{\theta}$$

$$\theta^{T} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} + \alpha \theta = \mathbf{y}^{T} \mathbf{X}$$
$$\theta^{T} (\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} + \alpha \mathbf{I}) = \mathbf{y}^{T} \mathbf{X}$$

$$\theta^{T} = \mathbf{y}^{T} \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} + \alpha \mathbf{I})^{-1}$$
$$= (\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} + \alpha \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{y}$$

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Loss function for ridge regularization:

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Loss function for LASSO regularization

$$\mathcal{L}_{LASSO}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = ||\boldsymbol{y}^{T} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}||_{2}^{2} + \alpha ||\boldsymbol{\theta}||_{1}$$
$$= ||\boldsymbol{y}^{T} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}||_{2}^{2} + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{D} |\theta_{i}|$$

Coming up:

Due Thurs, Jan 30: *Read the textbook from Chapters 1 and 5 (see Canvas for specific sections)*

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Due Fri, Jan 31: *Do KNN programming assignment*

Due Tues, Feb 4: *Take linear regression quiz Propose project topic*

Due Thurs, Feb 6: *Read textbook from Chapter 3 (see Canvas for details)*

Due Fri, Feb 7:

Do linear regression programming assignment