

MEAN SQUARED ERROR (OR LEAST SQUARES) ALGORITHMS

MSE Estimation

- Given a vector \mathbf{x} , the classifier yields the output $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}$
 - A threshold can be accommodated by the vector extension
- The desired output is $y(\mathbf{x}) = \pm 1$

MSE Estimation

- Problem:

$$\text{Minimize } J(\mathbf{w}) = E \left[(y - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})^2 \right]$$

- Solution

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = R_{\mathbf{x}}^{-1} \times E[\mathbf{x}y]$$

Here, the autocorrelation matrix and the cross-correlation vector are

$$R_{\mathbf{x}} = E[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^T] = \begin{bmatrix} E[x_1x_1] & \cdots & E[x_1x_l] \\ E[x_2x_1] & \cdots & E[x_2x_l] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ E[x_lx_1] & \cdots & E[x_lx_l] \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } E[\mathbf{x}y] = \begin{bmatrix} E[x_1y] \\ \vdots \\ E[x_ly] \end{bmatrix}$$

MSE Estimation

- Multiclass generalization
 - Design M linear discriminant functions $g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x}$ according to the MSE criterion
 - The output responses are chosen so that $y_i = 1$ if $\mathbf{x} \in \omega_i$ and $y_i = 0$ otherwise.
 - If $M = 2$, it provides the decision hyperplane $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \equiv (\mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_2)^T \mathbf{x}$, which tries to yield ± 1 according to the class of \mathbf{x}
 - Classify an input vector \mathbf{x} into ω_i that yields the highest response $g_i(\mathbf{x})$

MSE Estimation

- Multiclass generalization

- The MSE criterion

- Let $\mathbf{y}^T = [y_1, \dots, y_M]$ and $W = [\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_M]$

- Then, we have

$$\hat{W} = \arg \min_W E \left[\|\mathbf{y} - W^T \mathbf{x}\|^2 \right]$$

$$= \arg \min_W E \left[\sum_{i=1}^M (y_i - \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x})^2 \right]$$

Method of Least Squares

- Given training samples (\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) , minimize the least squares criterion

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w})^2$$

- Solution

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

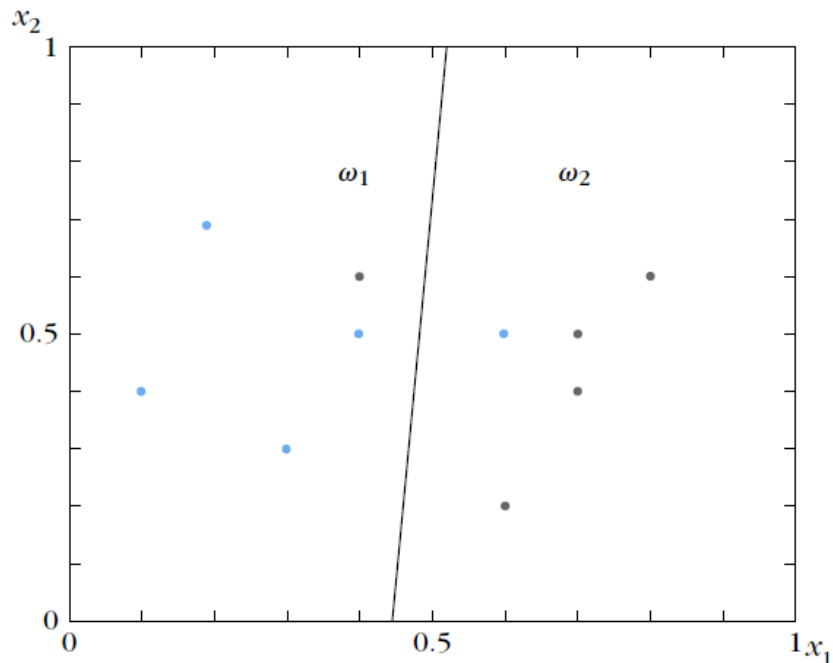
where

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1^T \\ \mathbf{x}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_N^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1l} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2l} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \cdots & x_{Nl} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix}$$

Method of Least Squares

Example 3.4

Class ω_1 consists of the two-dimensional vectors $[0.2, 0.7]^T$, $[0.3, 0.3]^T$, $[0.4, 0.5]^T$, $[0.6, 0.5]^T$, $[0.1, 0.4]^T$ and class ω_2 of $[0.4, 0.6]^T$, $[0.6, 0.2]^T$, $[0.7, 0.4]^T$, $[0.8, 0.6]^T$, $[0.7, 0.5]^T$. Design the sum of error squares optimal linear classifier $w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_0 = 0$.



MSE Regression (nonlinear)

- Regression task

- A problem of designing a function $g(\mathbf{x})$, based on a set of training data points (y_i, \mathbf{x}_i) , so that the predicted value

$$\hat{y} = g(\mathbf{x})$$

is as close to the true value y as possible

- y need not be ± 1

- MSE regression

$$\hat{y} = \arg \min_{\tilde{y}} E[\|y - \tilde{y}\|^2] = E[y|\mathbf{x}]$$

- The MSE regression function is linear, when (y, \mathbf{x}) are jointly Gaussian