

Machine learning algorithms

Schedule
next week

Probability & priors

2020-10-12

Late HW:

2 days

Tomorrow:
async.

- posted short video
Lasso
- jupyter

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Ridge regression 3

- Way to control bias-variance tradeoff

- Regularization $loss + \lambda ||\vec{\beta}||^2$

- Hyperparameter λ ← controls strength

- Shrinks coefficients

Practical considerations: Ridge

- Best if features X are standardized $\begin{bmatrix} 10^6 & 1 \\ 10^5 & 3 \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ .3 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$
 subtract off mean, divide by standard deviation

i^{th} example j^{th} coordinate $X_{ij} \longrightarrow \frac{X_{ij} - \mu_j}{\sigma_j}$

$$\mu_j = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij}$$

$$\sigma_j^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_{ij} - \mu_j)^2$$

- Don't penalize intercept

$$f(\vec{x}) = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^d \beta_i x_i$$

helps
fit mean of \vec{y}

$$\lambda \sum_{i=1}^d \beta_i^2$$

~~$$\lambda \sum_{i=0}^d \beta_i^2$$~~

Probability and priors



pixabay

in Oct
likely, impossible

in August
less likely

know from prior
experience

rainy days

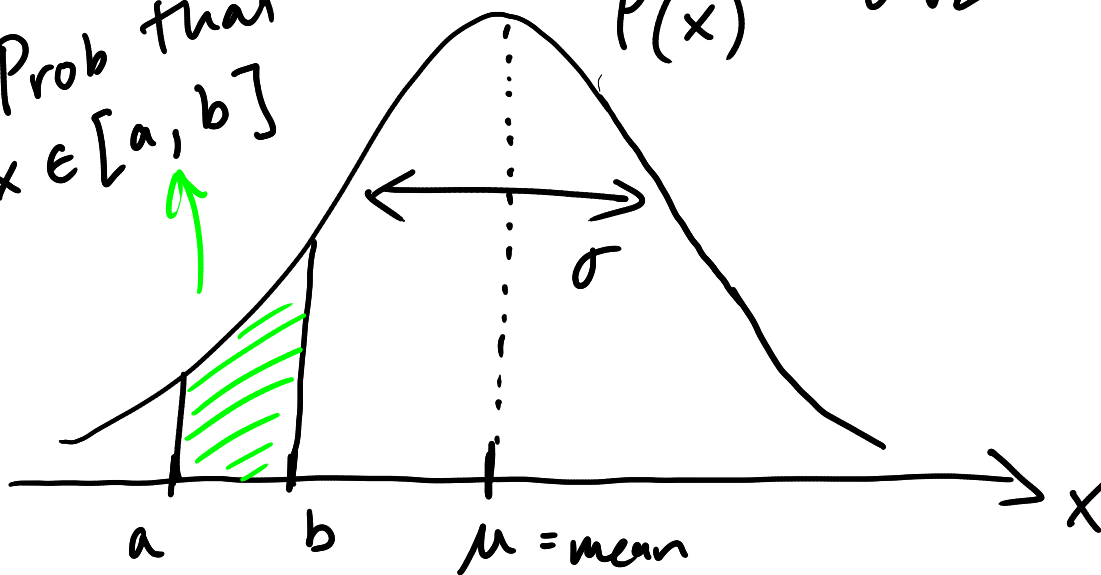


Basic probability: normal distribution

Gaussian, bell-shaped

$$X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

Prob that
 $x \in [a, b]$



$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)$$

mean or expectation

$$\begin{cases} E[X] = \mu \\ \text{Var}[X] \end{cases}$$

how much it varies

$$= E[(X - E[X])^2]$$
$$= \sigma^2$$

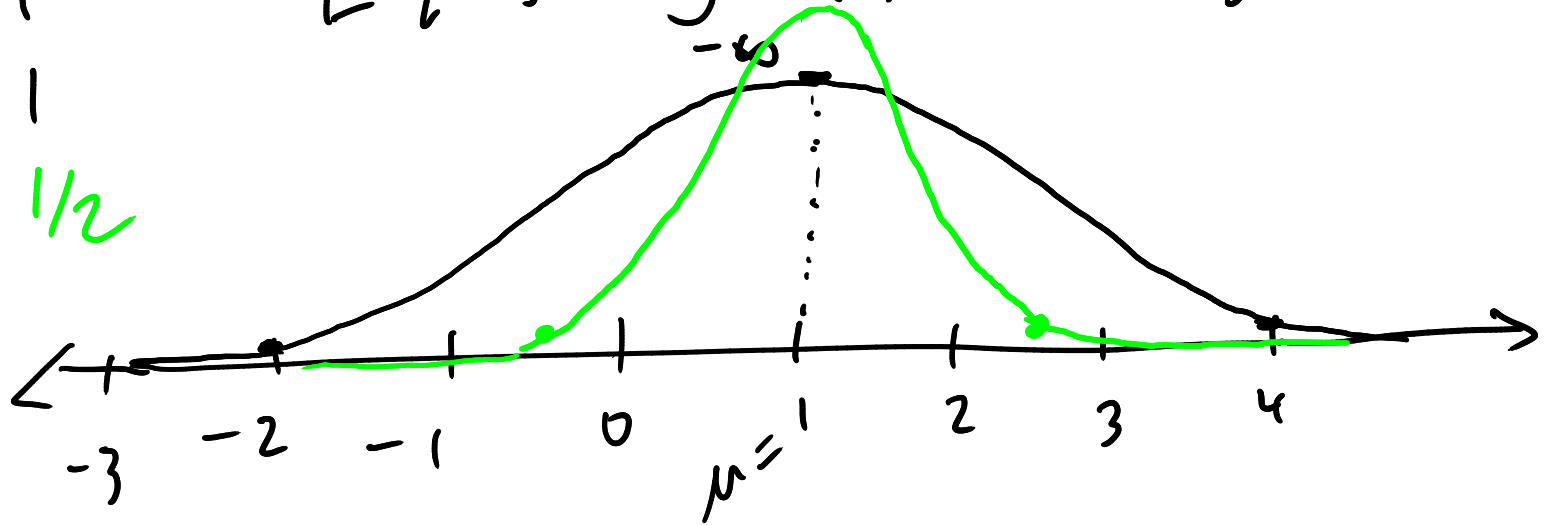
ex/

$$\mu = 1$$

$$\sigma = 1$$

$$\sigma = 1/2$$

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(x) x dx = \mu$$



$$3\sigma = 3$$

estimator

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \hat{\mu})^2$$

Bayes' rule

Allows you to incorporate prior knowledge.
Update prior w/ new information

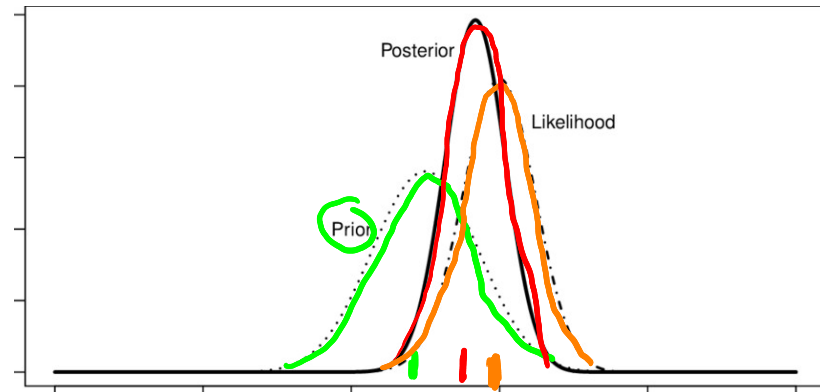
A, B A = will it rain? B = whether today it rained

Bayes' rule

$$\underbrace{P(A|B)}_{\text{posterior}} = \frac{\underbrace{P(B|A)}_{\text{likelihood}} \underbrace{P(A)}_{\text{prior}}}{P(B) \leftarrow \text{marginal distribution}}$$

A = parameters, e.g. $\vec{\beta}$

B = data \vec{y}



B = data \vec{y}, X

MAP estimator

A = parameters $\vec{\beta}$

independent identically distributed

Assume: $y_i = \vec{x}_i^T \vec{\beta} + \varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

Ridge is equivalent to
"max a posteriori"

$$P(\vec{y} | \vec{\beta}) \stackrel{(\text{indep})}{=} P(y_1 | \vec{\beta}) P(y_2 | \vec{\beta}) \dots P(y_n | \vec{\beta})$$

likelihood

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i | \vec{\beta})$$

maximum likelihood

= linear regression OLS

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\vec{x}_i^T \vec{\beta} - y_i}{\sigma}\right)^2\right)$$
$$= C \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|X\vec{\beta} - \vec{y}\|^2\right)$$

likelihood ✓

prior : $\vec{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{1}{\lambda})$, $P(\vec{\beta}) = \prod_{i=1}^d \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2} \beta_i^2\right)$
 $= \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi}\right)^{d/2} \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|\vec{\beta}\|^2\right)$

Ridge

Use Bayes' rule

$$P(\vec{y} | \vec{\beta}) P(\vec{\beta}) = C \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|X\vec{\beta} - \vec{y}\|^2\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|\vec{\beta}\|^2\right)$$

$$\max_{\vec{\beta}} P(\vec{\beta} | \vec{y})$$

$$= \max_{\vec{\beta}} \log P(\vec{\beta} | \vec{y}) = \max_{\vec{\beta}} \log C - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|X\vec{\beta} - \vec{y}\|^2 - \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\vec{\beta}\|^2$$

(- cost) of Ridge

monotonic