

$$y = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i x_i + \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_{ii} x_i^2 + \sum_{i < j} \beta_{ij} x_i x_j + \varepsilon \quad \text{Stat 526 5-13-25} \quad (1)$$

Write this in matrix form:

$$y = \beta_0 + \vec{x}' \vec{\beta} + \vec{x}' A \vec{x} + \varepsilon$$

$$\text{where } \vec{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{11} & \beta_{12} & \frac{1}{2} \beta_{1j} \\ & \beta_{22} & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{2} \beta_{ji} & \ddots & \beta_{kk} \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution will look like

$$\hat{y} = b_0 + \vec{x}' \vec{b} + \vec{x}' B \vec{x}$$

Now, find the $\vec{x}$ that maximizes $\hat{y}$.

(2)

$$\frac{d\hat{y}}{d\vec{x}} = \vec{0}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{y}}{d\vec{x}} = \vec{0} + \vec{b} + 2B\vec{x} \quad (\text{see STA notes})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{set}}{=} \vec{0}$$

$$2B\vec{x} = -\vec{b}$$

$$\vec{x}_m = -\frac{1}{2} B' \vec{b}$$

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if this exists

How can we tell if $\vec{x}_m$ is a min, max, or saddle point?

(3)

Evaluate y at $\vec{x}_m$:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y}_m &= b_0 + \vec{x}_m' \vec{b} + \vec{x}_m' B \vec{x}_m \\ &= b_0 + (-\frac{1}{2}) \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b} + (-\frac{1}{2}) \vec{b}' B^{-1} B B^{-1} \vec{b} \\ &= b_0 - \frac{1}{2} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b} + \frac{1}{4} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b} \\ &= b_0 - \frac{1}{4} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b}\end{aligned}$$

Let $\vec{x}$ be a value close to $\vec{x}_m$

and let $\hat{y}$ be the corresponding y value

(4)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Write } \hat{y} &= \hat{y}_m + (\hat{y} - \hat{y}_m) \\ &= \hat{y}_m + \left(b_0 + \vec{x}' \vec{b} + \vec{x}' B \vec{x} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (b_0 - \frac{1}{4} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b}) \right) \\ &= \hat{y}_m + \left(\vec{x}' \vec{b} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b}}_{-\frac{1}{2} \vec{b}' \vec{x}_m} + \vec{x}' B \vec{x} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{y} &= \hat{y}_m + (\vec{x}' - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}_m') \vec{b} + \vec{x}' B \vec{x} \quad (5) \\
 &= \hat{y}_m + (\vec{x}' - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}_m') \vec{b} + (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)' B (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m) \\
 &\quad + \vec{x}' B \vec{x}_m + \vec{x}_m' B \vec{x} - \vec{x}_m' B \vec{x}_m \\
 &= \hat{y}_m + (\vec{x}' - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}_m') \vec{b} + (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)' B (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m) \\
 &\quad + \vec{x}' B (-\frac{1}{2} B^{-1} \vec{b}) + (-\frac{1}{2} B^{-1} \vec{b})' B \vec{x} \\
 &\quad - (-\frac{1}{2} B^{-1} \vec{b})' B (-\frac{1}{2} B^{-1} \vec{b})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \hat{y}_m + (\vec{x}' - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}_m') \vec{b} + (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)' B (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m) \quad (6) \\
 &\quad - \cancel{\frac{1}{2} \vec{x}' B^{-1} \vec{b}} - \cancel{\frac{1}{2} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{x}} - \frac{1}{4} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b} \\
 &= \hat{y}_m - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}_m' \vec{b} + (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)' B (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b} \\
 &= \hat{y}_m - \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} B^{-1} \vec{b} \right)' \vec{b} + (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)' B (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m) \\
 &\quad - \cancel{\frac{1}{4} \vec{b}' B^{-1} \vec{b}} \\
 \hat{y} &= \hat{y}_m + (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)' B (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)
 \end{aligned}$$

(7)

Write $B = P \Lambda P^{-1}$ spectral decomposition

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its columns
are the eigenvectors

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diagonal matrix of eigenvalues

Since B is also symmetric,

$$B = P \Lambda P'$$

$$\text{Now, } \hat{y} = \hat{y}_m + \underbrace{(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)'}_{\vec{w}'} P \Lambda P' \underbrace{(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_m)}_{\vec{w}}$$

(8)

$$\hat{y} = \hat{y}_m + \vec{w}' \Lambda \vec{w}$$

$$= \hat{y}_m + [w_1 \ w_2 \ \dots \ w_k] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{y} = \hat{y}_m + \lambda_1 w_1^2 + \lambda_2 w_2^2 + \dots + \lambda_k w_k^2$$

$\Rightarrow$ If B is pos. def., then $\lambda_i > 0 \ \forall i$

And $\hat{y} > \hat{y}_m$, so $\hat{y}_m$ is a minimum

$\Rightarrow$ If B is neg. def., then $\lambda_i < 0 \ \forall i$

and $\hat{y} < \hat{y}_m$, so $\hat{y}_m$ is a maximum ⑨

$\Rightarrow$ If B is neither pos. def. nor neg. def.,
then $\hat{y}_m$ is a saddle point.