

Exercise: Centering and ridge regression

Assume that $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = 0$, so the input data has been centered. Show that the optimizer of

$$J(\mathbf{w}, w_0) = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - w_0\mathbf{1})^T(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - w_0\mathbf{1}) + \lambda\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w} \quad (1)$$

is

$$\hat{w}_0 = \bar{y} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X} + \lambda\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y} \quad (3)$$