

Lecture 13: Midterm Review

EECS 398: Practical Data Science, Spring 2025

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Agenda

- We'll start by working through the first 8 questions of the Fall 2024 Final Exam: study.practicaldsc.org/fa24-final.
- I'll post these annotated slides after lecture.
- There's another review worksheet available at study.practicaldsc.org/mt-review; from 3:30-5PM, I can answer questions about it (or anything else).

	Type	Brand	Name	Price	Rating	Num Ingredients	Sensitive
0	Eye cream	PERRICONE MD	PRE:EMPT SERIES™ Brightening Eye Cream	55	4.2	33	1
1	Cleanser	CLINIQUE	Pep-Start 2-in-1 Exfoliating Cleanser	19	3.1	36	0
2	Eye cream	PETER THOMAS ROTH	FIRMx™ 360 Eye Renewal	75	5.0	42	0
3	Treatment	KIEHL'S SINCE 1851	Clearly Corrective™ Dark Spot Solution	50	4.5	24	1
4	Cleanser	PETER THOMAS ROTH	Irish Moor Mud Purifying Cleanser Gel	38	3.6	23	0

Problem 1

An expensive product is one that costs **at least \$100**.

Problem 1.1

Write an expression that evaluates to the **proportion** of products in **skin** that are expensive.

True
False
False
True

all work!

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ skin["Price"] } \geq 100). \text{mean}()$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ (skin["Price"] } \geq 100). \text{sum}() / \text{skin.shape}[0]$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ skin[skin["Price"] } \geq 100]. \text{shape}[0] / \text{skin.shape}[0]$$

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Problem 1.2

Fill in the blanks so that the expression below evaluates to the number of brands that sell fewer than 5 expensive products.

`skin.groupby(__(i)__).__(ii)__(__(iii)__)["Brand"].nunique()`

(i):

- ☒ "Brand"
- ☐ "Name"
- ☐ "Price"
- ☐ ["Brand", "Price"]

(ii):

- ☐ agg
- ☐ count
- ☒ filter
- ☐ value_counts

(iii): (Free response)

DataFrame → ^{one} bool

↳ resulting df is not indexed by "Brand";
it has all rows for every "good" brand

filter is when there's a condition on groups (brands)

lambda df: $(df["Price"] \geq 100).sum() < 5$

Boolean Series

Problem 3

Consider the Series `small_prices` and `vc`, both of which are defined below.

```
small_prices = pd.Series([36, 36, 18, 100, 18, 36, 1, 1, 1, 36])
```

```
vc = small_prices.value_counts().sort_values(ascending=False)
```

iloc: "integer location"

In each of the parts below, select the value that the provided expression evaluates to. If the expression errors, select "Error".

- ☐ 0
- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4
- ☐ 18
- ☐ 36
- ☐ 100
- ☐ Error
- ☐ None of these

vc Series

<i>36</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>18</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>100</i>	<i>1</i>

index

<code>vc.iloc[0]</code>	<i>4</i>
<code>vc.loc[0]</code>	<i>error!</i>
<code>vc.index[0]</code>	<i>36</i>
<code>vc.iloc[1]</code>	<i>3</i>
<code>vc.loc[1]</code>	<i>3</i>
<code>vc.index[1]</code>	<i>1</i>

vc.index → [36, 1, 18, 100]

Problem 4

Consider the DataFrames `type_pivot`, `clinique`, `fresh`, and `boscia`, defined below.

```
type_pivot = skin.pivot_table(index="Type",  
                               columns="Brand",  
                               values="Sensitive",  
                               aggfunc=lambda x: x.sum() + 1)
```

count

```
clinique = skin[skin["Brand"] == "clinique"]
```

```
fresh = skin[skin["Brand"] == "fresh"]
```

```
boscia = skin[skin["Brand"] == "BOSCIA"]
```

Three columns of `type_pivot` are shown below in their entirety.

*subtracting 1
to get actual
counts*

Brand	CLINIQUE	FRESH	BOSCIA
Type			
Cleanser	5	0	1
Eye cream	3	0	1
Face Mask	2	3	3
Moisturizer	2	2	0
Sun protect	1	0	0

In each of the parts below, give your answer as an integer.

Problem 4.1

How many rows are in the following DataFrame?

```
clinique.merge(fresh, on="Type", how="inner")
```

Problem 4.2

How many rows are in the following DataFrame?

```
(clinique.merge(fresh, on="Type", how="outer")  
 .merge(boscia, on="Type", how="outer"))
```

*first
merge*

output

5	5
3	3
6	18
4	4
1	1

$$= 5 + 3 + 18 + 4 + 1 = 31$$

clinique.merge(fresh, on = "Type", how = "inner")

clinique

c
c
c
c
c
c
ec
ec
ec
fm
fm
m
m

fresh

fm
fm
fm
fm
m
m

$$3 + 3 + 2 + 2$$

$$= 2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 2$$

$$= \boxed{10}$$

Problem 5

Consider a sample of 60 skincare products. The name of one product from the sample is given below:

"our **drops** cream is the best **drops drops** for eye **drops drops** proven formula..." } d_1

The total number of terms in the product name above is unknown, but we know that the term **drops** only appears in the name 5 times.

Suppose the TF-IDF of **drops** in the product name above is $\frac{2}{3}$. Which of the following statements are **NOT possible**, assuming we use a base-2 logarithm? Select all that apply.

☐ All 60 product names contain the term **drops**, including the one above.

☐ 14 other product names contain the term **drops**, in addition to the one above.

☐ None of the 59 other product names contain the term **drops**.

☐ There are 15 terms in the product name above in total.

☐ There are 25 terms in the product name above in total.

$n = 60 \rightarrow$ invalid

$n = 15 \rightarrow T = 15$ ✓

$n = 1 \rightarrow T = T = \frac{3}{2} \cdot 5 \cdot \log_2 60$, not an int

$T = 15 \rightarrow n = 15$ ✓

$T = 25$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \log_2 \frac{60}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10}{3} = \log_2 \frac{60}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{\frac{10}{3}} = \frac{60}{n} \Rightarrow n \text{ not whole}$$

constraints

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{T} \cdot \log_2 \left(\frac{60}{n} \right)$$

T : len(d_1)
 n : # docs with "drops"
both T and n must be integers!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{TF-IDF}(\text{"drops"}, d_1) &= \text{TF}(\text{"drops"}, d_1) \cdot \text{IDF}(\text{"drops"}) \\ &= \frac{\# \text{ of "drops" in } d_1}{\# \text{ words total in } d_1} \times \log_2 \left(\frac{\text{number of docs}}{\text{number of docs with "drops"}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{T} \cdot \log_2 \left(\frac{60}{n} \right)$$

T : $\text{len}(d_1)$
 n : # docs with "drops"
 both T and n must be integers!

Problem 6

Suppose `soup` is a BeautifulSoup object representing the homepage of a Sephora competitor.

Furthermore, suppose `prods`, defined below, is a list of strings containing the name of every product on the site.

```
prods = [row.get("prod") for row in soup.find_all("row", class_="thing")]
```

Given that `prods[1]` evaluates to `"Cleansifier"`, which of the following options describes the source code of the site?

- Option 1:

```
<row class="thing">prod: Facial Treatment Essence</row>
<row class="thing">prod: Cleansifier</row>
<row class="thing">prod: Self Tan Dry Oil SPF 50</row>
...
```

- Option 2:

```
<row class="thing" prod="Facial Treatment Essence"></row>
<row class="thing" prod="Cleansifier"></row>
<row class="thing" prod="Self Tan Dry Oil SPF 50"></row>
...
```

- Option 3:

```
<row prod="thing" class="Facial Treatment Essence"></row>
<row prod="thing" class="Cleansifier"></row>
<row prod="thing" class="Self Tan Dry Oil SPF 50"></row>
...
```

- Option 4:

```
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<row class="thing">prod="Cleansifier"</row>
<row class="thing">prod="Self Tan Dry Oil SPF 50"</row>
...
```

`<row class="thing" ... >`

get returns the
value of an
attribute

to get what's between the tags,
use `row.text`.

Problem 7

$$\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum |y_i - h|\right)^2 \not\approx \frac{1}{n} \sum (y_i - h)^2$$

Consider a dataset of n values, $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$, all of which are **positive**. We want to fit a constant model, $H(x) = h$, to the data.

Let h_p^* be the optimal constant prediction that minimizes average degree- p loss, $R_p(h)$, defined below.

$$R_p(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - h|^p$$

For example, h_2^* is the optimal constant prediction that minimizes $R_2(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - h|^2$.

In each of the parts below, determine the value of the quantity provided. By "the data", we are referring to $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$.

- ☐ The standard deviation of the data
- ☐ The variance of the data
- ☐ The mean of the data
- ☐ The median of the data
- ☐ The midrange of the data, $\frac{y_{\min} + y_{\max}}{2}$
- ☐ The mode of the data
- ☐ None of the above

$$R_2(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum (y_i - h)^2$$

$$R_2(\bar{y}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2$$

= variance

h_2^*
 h_1^*
 h_0^*

related
to 0-1 loss

h_0^*

mode

h_1^*

median

$R_1(h_1^*)$

none

h_2^*

mean ($= \bar{y}$)

$R_2(h_2^*)$

variance

Now, suppose we want to find the optimal constant prediction, h_U^* , using the "Ultra" loss function, defined below.

$$L_U(y_i, h) = y_i(y_i - h)^2$$

$$R_u(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (y_i - h)^2$$

Problem 7.6

To find h_U^* , suppose we minimize average Ultra loss (with no regularization). How does h_U^* compare to the mean of the data, M ?

☐ ~~$h_U^* > M$~~

☒ $h_U^* \geq M$

☐ $h_U^* = M$

☐ $h_U^* \leq M$

☐ ~~$h_U^* < M$~~

e.g. $y_1 = 1$ $y_2 = 2$ $y_3 = 100$

$$R_u(h) = \frac{1}{3} \left((1-h)^2 + 2(2-h)^2 + 100(100-h)^2 \right)$$

Now, to find the optimal constant prediction, we will instead minimize **regularized** average Ultra loss, $R_\lambda(h)$, where λ is a non-negative regularization hyperparameter:

$$R_\lambda(h) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (y_i - h)^2 \right) + \lambda h^2$$

It can be shown that $\frac{\partial R_\lambda(h)}{\partial h}$, the derivative of $R_\lambda(h)$ with respect to h , is:

$$\frac{\partial R_\lambda(h)}{\partial h} = -2 \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (y_i - h) - \lambda h \right)$$

Problem 7.7

Find h^* , the constant prediction that minimizes $R_\lambda(h)$. Show your work, and put a box around your final answer, which should be an **expression in terms of** y_i , n , and/or λ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial R}{\partial h} = 0 &\rightarrow -2 \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (y_i - h) - \lambda h \right) = 0 \\ \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i h \right) - \lambda h &= 0 \\ \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - h \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right) - \lambda h &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - h \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right) - \lambda h = 0$$

$$\frac{\sum y_i^2}{n} - h \frac{\sum y_i}{n} - \lambda h = 0$$

$$\frac{\sum y_i^2}{n} = h \left(\frac{\sum y_i}{n} + \lambda \right)$$

$$\frac{\frac{\sum y_i^2}{n}}{\frac{\sum y_i}{n} + \lambda} = h^*$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$= \frac{\sum y_i^2}{\sum y_i + n\lambda}$$

multiplied both sides
by $\frac{n}{n}$

Problem 8

Suppose we want to fit a simple linear regression model (using squared loss) that predicts the number of ingredients in a product given its price. We're given that:

- The average cost of a product in our dataset is \$40, i.e. $\bar{x} = 40$.
- The average number of ingredients in a product in our dataset is 15, i.e. $\bar{y} = 15$.

The intercept and slope of the regression line are $w_0^* = 11$ and $w_1^* = \frac{1}{10}$, respectively.

Problem 8.1

Suppose Victors' Veil (a skincare product) costs \$40 and has 11 ingredients. What is the squared loss of our model's predicted number of ingredients for Victors' Veil? Give your answer as a **number**.

$$H(x_i) = w_0^* + w_1^* x_i = 11 + \frac{1}{10} x_i$$

$$\text{predicted \# ingredients} = 11 + \frac{1}{10} \cdot 40 = 11 + 4 = 15$$

predict # ingredients
given price

$$\begin{aligned} \text{squared loss} &= (\text{actual} - \text{predicted})^2 \\ &= (11 - 15)^2 = 16 \end{aligned}$$

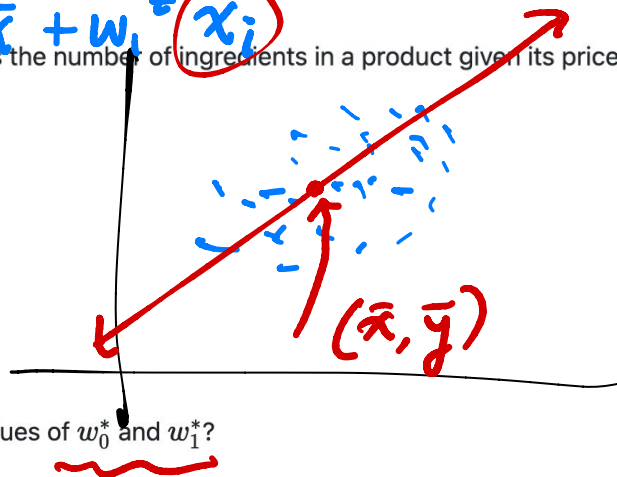
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$$\begin{aligned} H(\bar{x}) &= w_0^* + w_1^* \bar{x} \\ &= \bar{y} - w_1^* \bar{x} + w_1^* \bar{x} \\ &= \bar{y} \end{aligned}$$



Problem 8.2

Is it possible to answer part (a) above **just** by knowing $\bar{x}$ and $\bar{y}$, i.e. **without** knowing the values of w_0^* and w_1^* ?

☒ Yes; the values of w_0^* and w_1^* don't impact the answer to part (a).

☐ No; the values of w_0^* and w_1^* are necessary to answer part (a).

Fact: If $w_1^* = r \frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x} = \dots$ (the other formulas from Lecture 12)

and $w_0^* = \bar{y} - w_1^* \bar{x}$, then the point $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ lies on the regression line!