

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- You have 70 minutes to complete the exam.
- The exam is closed book, closed notes, closed computer, closed calculator, except for two 8.5" × 11" crib sheets of your own creation.
- Mark your answers **on the exam itself**. We will *not* grade answers written on scratch paper.

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<i>All the work on this exam is my own.</i> <b>(please sign)</b>	

**Terminology and Notation Reference:**

$\exp(x)$	$e^x$
$\log(x)$	$\log_e x$
Linear regression model	$E[Y X] = X^T \beta$
Logistic (or sigmoid) function	$\sigma(t) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-t)}$
Logistic regression model	$P(Y = 1 X) = \sigma(X^T \beta)$
Squared error loss	$L(y, \theta) = (y - \theta)^2$
Absolute error loss	$L(y, \theta) =  y - \theta $
Cross-entropy loss	$L(y, \theta) = -y \log \theta - (1 - y) \log(1 - \theta)$
Bias	$\text{Bias}[\hat{\theta}, \theta] = E[\hat{\theta}] - \theta$
Variance	$\text{Var}[\hat{\theta}] = E[(\hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta}])^2]$
Mean squared error	$\text{MSE}[\hat{\theta}, \theta] = E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2]$

**1. (8 points) Feature Engineering**

For each dataset depicted below in a scatterplot, fill in the squares next to **all** of the letters for the vector-valued functions  $f$  that would make it possible to choose a column vector  $\beta$  such that  $y_i = f(x_i)^T \beta$  for all  $(x_i, y_i)$  pairs in the dataset. The input to each  $f$  is a scalar  $x$  shown on the horizontal axis, and the corresponding  $y$  value is shown on the vertical axis.

(A)  $f(x) = [1 \ x]^T$

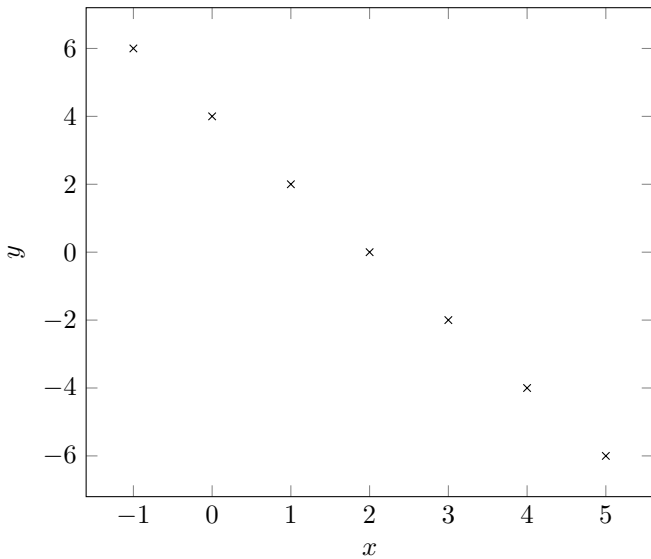
(B)  $f(x) = [x \ 2x]^T$

(C)  $f(x) = [1 \ x \ x^2]^T$

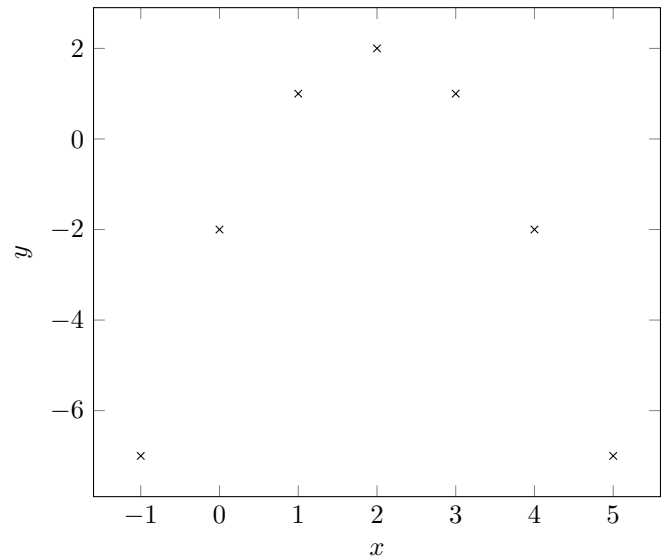
(D)  $f(x) = [1 \ |x|]^T$

(E) None of the above

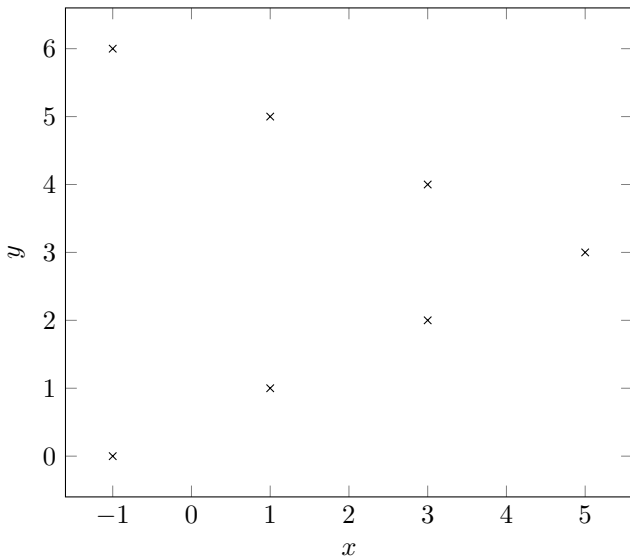
(i) (2 pt)  A  B  C  D  E



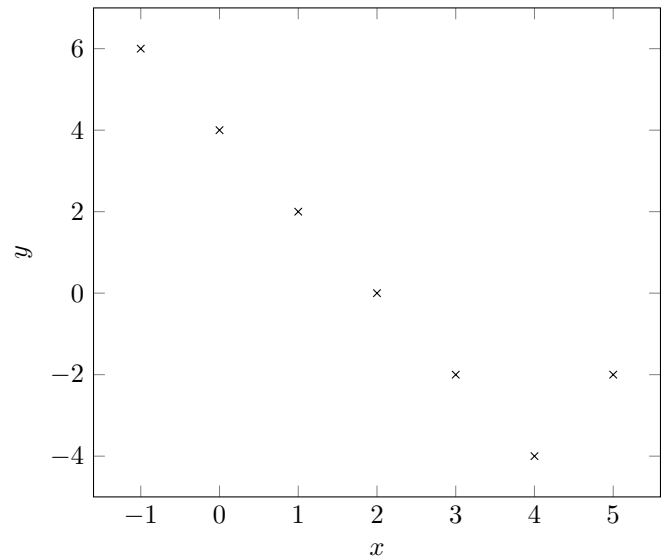
(ii) (2 pt)  A  B  C  D  E



(iii) (2 pt)  A  B  C  D  E



(iv) (2 pt)  A  B  C  D  E



**2. (6 points) Estimation**

A learning set  $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_{10}, y_{10})$  is sampled from a population where  $X$  and  $Y$  are both binary.

The learning set data are summarized by the following table of row counts:

$x$	$y$	Count
0	0	2
0	1	3
1	0	1
1	1	4

- (a) (4 pt) You decide to fit a constant model  $P(Y = 1|X = 0) = P(Y = 1|X = 1) = \alpha$  using the cross-entropy loss function and no regularization. What is the formula for the empirical risk on this learning set for this model and loss function? What estimate of the model parameter  $\alpha$  minimizes empirical risk? **You must show your work for finding the estimate  $\hat{\alpha}$  to receive full credit.**

*Recall:* Since  $Y$  is binary,  $P(Y = 0|X) + P(Y = 1|X) = 1$  for any  $X$ .

Empirical Risk:

Estimate  $\hat{\alpha}$  (show your work):

- (b) (2 pt) The true population probability  $P(Y = 0|X = 0)$  is  $\frac{1}{3}$ . Provide an expression in terms of  $\hat{\alpha}$  for the **bias** of the estimator of  $P(Y = 0|X = 0)$  described in part (a) for the constant model. **You may use  $E[\dots]$  in your answer to denote an expectation under the data generating distribution of the learning set, but do not write  $P(\dots)$  in your answer.**

$$\text{Bias}[\hat{P}(Y = 0|X = 0), P(Y = 0|X = 0)] =$$

### 3. (6 points) Linear Regression

A learning set of size four is sampled from a population where  $X$  and  $Y$  are both quantitative:

$$(x_1, y_1) = (2.5, 3)$$

$$(x_2, y_2) = (2, 5)$$

$$(x_3, y_3) = (1, 3)$$

$$(x_4, y_4) = (3, 5).$$

You fit a linear regression model  $E[Y|X] = \beta_0 + X\beta_1$ , where  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are scalar parameters, by ridge regression, minimizing the following objective function:

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^4 (y_i - (\beta_0 + x_i\beta_1))^2 + \frac{\beta_0^2 + \beta_1^2}{3}.$$

- (a) (4 pt) Fill in all blanks below to compute the parameter estimates that minimize this regularized empirical risk. (You do not need to compute their values; just fill in the matrices appropriately.)

$$X_n^T = \begin{bmatrix} \text{-----} & \text{-----} & \text{-----} & \text{-----} \\ 2.5 & 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y_n^T = \begin{bmatrix} \text{-----} & \text{-----} & \text{-----} & \text{-----} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{bmatrix} = (X_n^T X_n + \begin{bmatrix} \text{-----} & \text{-----} \\ \text{-----} & \text{-----} \end{bmatrix})^{-1} X_n^T Y_n.$$

- (b) (2 pt) Without computing values for  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$ , write an expression for the squared error loss of the learning set observation  $(x_4, y_4)$  in terms of  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and any relevant numbers. **Your solution should not contain any of  $\hat{y}_4$ ,  $x_4$ , or  $y_4$ , but instead just numbers and  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$ .**

$$L(y_4, \hat{y}_4) =$$

**4. (8 points) Model Selection**

- (a) (2 pt) You have a quantitative outcome  $Y$  and two quantitative covariates  $(X_1, X_2)$ . You want to fit a linear regression model for the conditional expected value  $E[Y|X]$  of the outcome given the covariates, including an intercept. Bubble in the **minimum** dimension of the parameter vector  $\beta$  needed to express this linear regression model?

1     2     3     4     5     6     7     None of these

- (b) (2 pt) You have a quantitative outcome  $Y$  and two qualitative covariates  $(X_1, X_2)$ .  $X_1 \in \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $X_2 \in \{e, f, g\}$ , and there is no ordering to the values for either variable. You want to fit a linear regression model for the conditional expected value  $E[Y|X]$  of the outcome given the covariates, including an intercept. Bubble in the **minimum** dimension of the parameter vector  $\beta$  needed to express this linear regression model?

2     3     4     5     6     7     8     9     10     11     12     13

- (c) (2 pt) Bubble all true statements: In ridge regression, when the assumptions of the linear model are satisfied, the larger the shrinkage/penalty parameter,

the larger the magnitude of the bias of the estimator of the regression coefficients  $\beta$ .  
 the smaller the magnitude of the bias of the estimator of the regression coefficients  $\beta$ .  
 the larger the variance of the estimator of the regression coefficients  $\beta$ .  
 the smaller variance of the estimator of the regression coefficients  $\beta$ .  
 the smaller the true mean squared error of the estimator of the regression coefficients  $\beta$ .

- (d) (2 pt) Bubble all true statements: A good approach for selecting the shrinkage/penalty parameter in LASSO is to:

minimize the learning set risk for the squared error ( $L_2$ ) loss function.  
 minimize the learning set risk for the absolute error ( $L_1$ ) loss function.  
 minimize the cross-validated regularized risk for the squared error ( $L_2$ ) loss function.  
 minimize the cross-validated risk for the squared error ( $L_2$ ) loss function.  
 minimize the variance of the estimator of the regression coefficients.

5. (12 points) **Logistic Regression**

- (a) (2 pt) Bubble the expression that describes the odds ratio  $\frac{P(Y=1|X)}{P(Y=0|X)}$  of a logistic regression model.  
*Recall:  $P(Y = 0|X) + P(Y = 1|X) = 1$  for any  $X$ .*

$X^T\beta$       $-X^T\beta$       $\exp(X^T\beta)$       $\sigma(X^T\beta)$      None of these

- (b) (2 pt) Bubble the expression that describes  $P(Y = 0|X)$  for a logistic regression model.

$\sigma(-X^T\beta)$       $1 - \log(1 + \exp(X^T\beta))$       $1 + \log(1 + \exp(-X^T\beta))$      None of these

- (c) (2 pt) Bubble **all** of the following that are typical effects of adding an  $L_1$  regularization penalty to the loss function when fitting a logistic regression model with parameter vector  $\beta$ .

The magnitude of the elements of the estimator of  $\beta$  are increased.

The magnitude of the elements of the estimator of  $\beta$  are decreased.

All elements of the estimator of  $\beta$  are non-negative.

Some elements of the estimator of  $\beta$  are zero.

None of the above.

- (d) (3 pt) What would be the primary disadvantage of a regularization term of the form  $\sum_{j=1}^J \beta_j^3$  rather than the more typical ridge penalty  $\sum_{j=1}^J \beta_j^2$  for logistic regression? Answer in one sentence.

- (e) (3 pt) For a logistic regression model  $P(Y = 1|X) = \sigma(-2 - 3X)$ , where  $X$  is a scalar random variable, what values of  $x$  would give  $P(Y = 0|X = x) \geq \frac{3}{4}$ ? **You must show your work for full credit.**