

Lecture 17: Logistic Regression contd.

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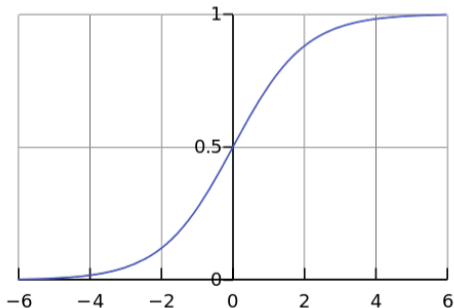
Sigmoidal (perceptron) Classifier

- 1 **(Binary) Logistic Regression**, abbreviated as **LR** is a single node perceptron-like classifier, but with....

- ▶ $\text{sign}((\mathbf{w}^*)^T \phi(\mathbf{x}))$ replaced by $g((\mathbf{w}^*)^T \phi(\mathbf{x}))$ where $g(s)$ is sigmoid function: $g(s) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-s}}$

- 2 $f_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}) = g((\mathbf{w}^*)^T \phi(\mathbf{x})) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(\mathbf{w}^*)^T \phi(\mathbf{x})}} \in [0, 1]$ can be interpreted as $Pr(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})$

- ▶ Then $Pr(y = 0 | \mathbf{x}) = 1 - f_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x})$



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Training LR

- 1 Thus, Maximum Likelihood Estimator for \mathbf{w} is

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{w}} &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathcal{D}, \mathbf{w}) = \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w}} \prod_{i=1}^m p(y^{(i)} | \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w}} \prod_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}} \right)^{y^{(i)}} \left(\frac{e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}} \right)^{1-y^{(i)}} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w}} \prod_{i=1}^m \left(f_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right)^{y^{(i)}} \left(1 - f_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right)^{1-y^{(i)}}\end{aligned}$$

- 2 Maximizing the likelihood $\Pr(\mathcal{D}; \mathbf{w})$ w.r.t \mathbf{w} , is the same as minimizing the negative log-likelihood $E(\mathbf{w}) = -\frac{1}{m} \log \Pr(\mathcal{D}; \mathbf{w})$ w.r.t \mathbf{w} .
- ▶ Derive the expression for $E(\mathbf{w})$.
 - ▶ $E(\mathbf{w})$ is called the cross-entropy loss function

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or with some simplification,

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = - \left[\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left(y^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \log (1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right) \right] \quad (2)$$

- ② Cross-entropy¹ is the average number of bits needed to identify an event (example \mathbf{x}) drawn from the (data) set \mathcal{D} , if a coding scheme is used that is optimized for a modeled probability distribution $\Pr(y|\mathbf{w}, \phi(\cdot))$, rather than the 'true' distribution $\Pr(y|\mathcal{D})$.

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{E}_{\Pr(y|\mathcal{D})} \left[-\log \Pr(y|\mathbf{w}, \phi(\cdot)) \right] \quad (3)$$

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- 2 The iterative update rule:

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$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^k + \eta \left(y^{(i)} - f_{\mathbf{w}^k}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right) \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \quad (10)$$

- 4 How would you contrast the updates with sigmoid (LR) against those with the step function (perceptron)?

Sigmoid (LR) vs. step function (perceptron)

- 1 Stochastic update for step fn (perceptron) with $y^{(i)} \in \{-1, 1\}$: Pick any example $(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$, for which $\text{sign} \left(\left(\mathbf{w}^{(k)} \right)^T \phi \left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \right) \right) \neq y^{(i)}$.

$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^k + \eta y^{(i)} \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \quad (11)$$

- 2 Stochastic update for sigmoid fn (LR) with $y^{(i)} \in \{0, 1\}$:
Pick any example $(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$, for which $|f_{\mathbf{w}^k}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}| > 0.5$.

$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^k + \eta \left(y^{(i)} - f_{\mathbf{w}^k}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \right) \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \quad (12)$$

- 3 Recall: (12) is also the stochastic update for linear regression! (12) is a characteristic update for **generalized linear models**² of which perceptron, linear regression and logistic are special cases.

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Regularized LR and its Probabilistic Interpretation

- 1 The Regularized (Logistic) Cross-Entropy Loss function:

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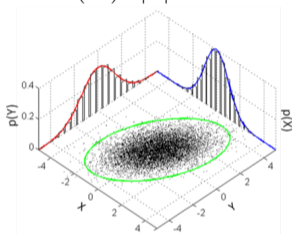
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- 4 We will reinvoke Bayesian (Parameter) Estimation

Bayesian Inference For Logistic Regression

MAP Estimation and regularized LR

- 1 Recall the multivariate Gaussian (Normal) Distribution:

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{m}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{w}-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{w}-\mu)} \text{ when } \Sigma \in \mathfrak{R}^{m \times m} \text{ is positive-definite and}$$



$$\mu \in \mathfrak{R}^m$$

- 2 Suppose we want each $|w_i|$ to be bounded roughly by $\pm \frac{3}{\lambda}$
- 3 Then by the 3- σ rule we let $\mathbf{w} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{w}; 0, \frac{1}{\lambda} I)$ where I is an $m \times m$ identity matrix
- 4 $\Rightarrow \Pr(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}}} e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2}$

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.....Taking $-\frac{1}{m} \log(\cdot)$ transformation,

② **TO** Min of the Regularized Logistic (Cross-Entropy) Loss function:

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where we have ignored $-\frac{1}{m} \log \left(\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \right)^{\frac{m}{2}} \right)$ since this term is independent of \mathbf{w} .

.....Thus, MAP $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}$ can be found by minimizing the *Regularized Cross Entropy Error*

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Extension to multi-class logistic

- ① Each class $c = 1, 2, \dots, K - 1$ can have a different weight vector $[\mathbf{w}_{c,1}, \mathbf{w}_{c,2}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{c,k}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{c,K-1}]$ and

$$p(Y = c | \phi(\mathbf{x})) = \frac{e^{-(\mathbf{w}_c)^T \phi(\mathbf{x})}}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} e^{-(\mathbf{w}_k)^T \phi(\mathbf{x})}}$$

for $c = 1, \dots, K - 1$ so that

$$p(Y = K | \phi(\mathbf{x})) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} e^{-(\mathbf{w}_k)^T \phi(\mathbf{x})}}$$

Alternative (equivalent) extension to multi-class logistic

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