

# CS229: Problem Set #1

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## Problem 1

1.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log(h_\theta(x^{(i)})) + (1 - y^{(i)} \log(1 - h_\theta(x^{(i)}))) \\ &= -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left[ y^{(i)} \frac{1}{h_\theta(x^{(i)})} - (1 - y^{(i)}) \frac{1}{1 - h_\theta(x^{(i)})} \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} h_\theta(x^{(i)})\end{aligned}$$

Then we calculate:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} h_\theta(x^{(i)}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} g(\theta^T x^{(i)}) = g(\theta^T x^{(i)}) (1 - g(\theta^T x^{(i)})) x_j^{(i)} = h_\theta(x^{(i)}) (1 - h_\theta(x^{(i)})) x_j^{(i)}$$

And we can further simplify the above equation:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) &= -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m [(y^{(i)} - h_\theta(x^{(i)})) - (1 - y^{(i)}) h_\theta(x^{(i)})] x_j^{(i)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (y^{(i)} - h_\theta(x^{(i)})) x_j^{(i)}\end{aligned}$$

Then we can get second-order derivative:

$$\begin{aligned}H_{ij} &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} J(\theta) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m x_j \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} h_\theta(x^{(k)}) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m x_i^{(k)} x_j^{(k)} h_\theta(x^{(k)}) (1 - h_\theta(x^{(k)}))\end{aligned}$$

for each vector  $z$ , consider the quadratic form of Hessian matrix:

$$\begin{aligned}z^T H z &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n z_i H_{ij} z_j = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m z_i x_i^{(k)} z_j x_j^{(k)} h_\theta(x^{(k)}) (1 - h_\theta(x^{(k)})) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n z_i x_i^{(k)} z_j x_j^{(k)} \right) h_\theta(x^{(k)}) (1 - h_\theta(x^{(k)})) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m (x^{(k)T} z)^2 h_\theta(x^{(k)}) (1 - h_\theta(x^{(k)})) \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow H \succeq 0\end{aligned}$$

2. Codes are shown in src director, see `src/p01b_logreg.py`.

3.

## Problem 2

### Problem 3

1.

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(y; \lambda) &= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^y}{y!} = \exp(\log(\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^y}{y!})) \\
 &= \exp(-\lambda + y \log \lambda - \log y!) = \frac{1}{y!} (\log \lambda y - \lambda) \\
 \Rightarrow b(y) &= \frac{1}{y!}, \quad \eta = \log \lambda, \quad T(y) = y, \quad \alpha(\eta) = \lambda = e^\eta
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Let canonical response function represented as  $g$ , then we have:

$$\lambda = g(\eta) = e^\eta$$

then we know  $g = \exp$ .

3.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log p(y|\lambda) &= -\lambda + y \log \lambda - \log y! \Rightarrow \log p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; \theta) \\
 &= -e^{\theta^T x} + y^{(i)} \theta^T x^{(i)} - \log y^{(i)}!
 \end{aligned}$$

and we can calculate the derivative of  $\log p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; \theta)$  with respect to  $\theta_j$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \log p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; \theta) = -e^{(\theta^T x)} x_j^{(i)} + y^{(i)} x_j^{(i)}$$

we then get the gradient ascent update rules as follows:

$$\theta_j := \theta + \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \log p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; \theta) = \theta_j + \alpha (y^{(i)} - e^{\theta^T x}) x_j^{(i)}$$

In fact, the member in GLM has similar stochastic gradient ascent update rules:

$$\theta_j := \theta_j + \alpha (y^{(i)} - h_\theta(x^{(i)})) x_j^{(i)} = \theta_j + \alpha (y^{(i)} - \mathbb{E}(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; \theta)) x_j^{(i)}$$

since  $\mathbb{E}(y|x; \theta) = \exp(\theta^T x)$ , we get the same answer.

4. Codes are shown in src directory, see `src/p03d_poisson.py`.

## Problem 4

1. From the property of the probability space we get:

$$\int_{\Omega} p(y; \eta) dy = 1 = \frac{1}{\exp(\alpha(\eta))} \int_{\Omega} b(y) \exp(\eta y) dy$$

which is equivalent to:

$$\exp(\alpha(\eta)) = \int_{\Omega} b(y) \exp(\eta y) dy$$

apply the partial derivatives to both sides, we have:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \exp(\alpha(\eta)) = \exp(\alpha(\eta)) \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \alpha(\eta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \int_{\Omega} b(y) \exp(\eta y) dy = \int_{\Omega} b(y) \exp(\eta y) y dy$$

after some algebraic manipulation, we get:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \alpha(\eta) = \int_{\Omega} b(y) y \exp(\eta y - \alpha(\eta)) dy = \mathbb{E}[Y|X; \theta]$$

- 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} \alpha(\eta) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \alpha(\eta) \right) = \frac{1}{\exp(\alpha(\eta))} \int_{\Omega} b(y) y^2 \exp(\eta y) dy - \frac{1}{\exp(\alpha(\eta))} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \alpha(\eta) \int_{\Omega} b(y) y \exp(\eta y) dy \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Y^2|X; \theta] - \mathbb{E}[Y|X; \theta]^2 = \text{Var}[Y|X; \theta] \end{aligned}$$

3. We can formulate the loss function as follows:

$$l(\theta) = -\log J(\theta) = -\log P(Y|X; \theta)$$

where  $J(\theta)$  is the likelihood function. In order to get the hessian of the loss function, we first calculate the first-order derivative of the loss function:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} l(\theta) = \frac{-1}{p(y; \eta)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} p(y; \eta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \eta = \frac{-x_j}{p(y; \eta)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} p(y; \eta)$$

then we calculate the second-order derivative of the loss function:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} l(\theta) &= \frac{x_j}{p(y; \eta)^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} p(y; \eta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \eta \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} p(y; \eta) - \frac{x_j}{p(y; \eta)} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} p(y; \eta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \eta \\ &= \frac{x_i x_j}{p(y; \eta)^2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} p(y; \eta) \right)^2 - \frac{x_i x_j}{p(y; \eta)} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} p(y; \eta) \end{aligned}$$

by calculating the first-order and second-order derivatives of  $p(y; \eta)$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} p(y; \eta) &= b(y) \exp(\eta y - \alpha(\eta)) (y - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \alpha(\eta)) = p(y; \eta) (y - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \alpha(\eta)) \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} p(y; \eta) &= p(y; \eta) (y - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \alpha(\eta))^2 - p(y; \eta) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} \alpha(\eta) \end{aligned}$$

then we can further simplify the second-order derivative of the loss function by some algebraic manipulation, and the result is:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} l(\theta) = x_i x_j \text{Var}[Y|X; \theta]$$

consider the quadratic form of the hessian matrix, we have:

$$z^T H z = \text{Var}[Y|X; \theta] \sum_i \sum_j x_i x_j z_i z_j = \text{Var}[Y|X; \theta] (z^T x) \geq 0, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

## Problem 5