

# MACHINE LEARNING

## Homework Week 6

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### 1. Logistic Regression

#### Answer

Consider first of all the case of two classes  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . The posterior probability for class  $C_1$  can be written as:

$$p(C_1|x) = \frac{p(x|C_1)p(C_1)}{p(x|C_1)p(C_1) + p(x|C_2)p(C_2)} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-a}} = \sigma(a)$$

where we have defined

$$a = \log \frac{p(x|C_1)p(C_1)}{p(x|C_2)p(C_2)}$$

and  $\sigma(a)$  is the logistic sigmoid function defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(a) &= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-a}} \\ \frac{\partial \sigma(a)}{\partial a} &= \frac{e^{-a}}{(1 + e^{-a})^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-a})} \cdot \frac{e^{-a}}{(1 + e^{-a})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-a})} \cdot \frac{1 + e^{-a} - 1}{(1 + e^{-a})} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-a})} \cdot \left( \frac{1 + e^{-a}}{1 + e^{-a}} - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-a}} \right) \\ &= \sigma(a) \cdot (1 - \sigma(a))\end{aligned}$$

The model logistic regression is defined as:

$$p(C_1|\phi) = y(\phi) = \sigma(w^T \phi)$$

$$p(C_2|\phi) = 1 - p(C_1|\phi)$$

For a data set  $\phi_n, t_n$ , where  $t_n \in \{0,1\}$  and  $\phi_n = \phi(x_n)$ , with  $n = 1, \dots, N$ , the likelihood function can be written as

$$p(t|w) = \prod_{n=1}^N y_n^{t_n} (1 - y_n)^{1-t_n}$$

where  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_N)^T$  and  $y_n = p(C_1|\phi_n)$ . We can define an error function by taking the negative logarithm of the likelihood, which gives the cross\_entropy error function in the form

$$L = -\log p(t|w) = -\sum_{n=1}^N \{t_n \log y_n + (1 - t_n) \log(1 - y_n)\}$$

with  $y_n = \sigma(a_n)$  and  $a_n = w^T \phi_n$

To maximize  $L$  we need to calculate the derivative and let it = 0. Then,

$$L = t \log y + (1 - t) \log(1 - y)$$

with

$$y = \sigma(z)$$

and

$$z = w_0 + w_1 \phi_1 + w_2 \phi_2 + \dots + w_n \phi_n$$

Using the Chain rule, we have:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_i} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial w_i}$$

Calculate:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} = \frac{t}{y} - \frac{1-t}{1-y} = \frac{y-t}{y(1-y)} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = y(1-y) \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial w_i} = \phi_i \quad (3)$$

According to the Chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_i} = \frac{y-t}{y(1-y)} \cdot y(1-y) \cdot \phi_i$$

or

$$= (y - t)\phi_i$$
$$\nabla L = \sum_{n=1}^N (y_n - t_n)\phi_n$$

2. Find  $f(x)$  that  $f'(x) = f(x)(1 - f(x))$

**Answer**

We have:

$$f'(x) = f(x)(1 - f(x))$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} = f(x)(1 - f(x))$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \partial x = \frac{\partial f(x)}{f(x)(1 - f(x))}$$

Integrating both sides of the equation, we get:

$$\int \partial x = \int \frac{\partial f(x)}{f(x)(1 - f(x))}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow x = \int \left( \frac{1}{f(x)} + \frac{1}{1 - f(x)} \right) \partial f(x)$$
$$\Leftrightarrow x = \int \frac{1}{f(x)} \partial f(x) + \frac{1}{1 - f(x)} \partial f(x)$$
$$\Leftrightarrow x = \log f(x) + \log(1 - f(x))$$
$$\Leftrightarrow x = \log \left( \frac{f(x)}{1 - f(x)} \right)$$
$$\Leftrightarrow e^x = \frac{f(x)}{1 - f(x)}$$
$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) = e^x - e^x f(x)$$
$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) + e^x f(x) = e^x$$
$$\Leftrightarrow f(x)(1 + e^x) = e^x$$
$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) = \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x}$$