# Fregata: 轻量级大规模机器学习算法库

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## 大规模机器学习两个挑战

计算瓶颈

调参困难



## 经典算法的计算瓶颈

### 计算复杂度随数据规模超线性增长

	single	multi
LWLR	$O(mn^2 + n^3)$	$O(\frac{mn^2}{P} + \frac{n^3}{P'} + n^2 \log(P))$
LR	$O(mn^2 + n^3)$	$O(\frac{mn^2}{P} + \frac{n^3}{P'} + n^2 \log(P))$
NB	O(mn + nc)	$O(\frac{mn}{P} + nc\log(P))$
NN	O(mn+nc)	$O(\frac{mn}{P} + nc\log(P))$
GDA	$O(mn^2 + n^3)$	$O(\frac{mn^2}{P} + \frac{n^3}{P'} + n^2 \log(P))$
PCA	$O(mn^2 + n^3)$	$O(\frac{mn^2}{P} + \frac{n^3}{P'} + n^2 \log(P))$
ICA	$O(mn^2 + n^3)$	$O(\frac{mn^2}{P} + \frac{n^3}{P'} + n^2 \log(P))$
k-means	O(mnc)	$O(\frac{mnc}{P} + mn\log(P))$
EM	$O(mn^2 + n^3)$	$O(\frac{mn^2}{P} + \frac{n^3}{P'} + n^2 \log(P))$
SVM	$O(m^2n)$	$O(\frac{m^2n}{P} + n\log(P))$

Cheng T. Chu, Sang K. Kim, Yi A. Lin, Yuanyuan Yu, Gary R. Bradski, Andrew Y. Ng, Kunle Olukotun, Map-Reduce for Machine Learning on Multicore, NIPS, 2006.



## 梯度下降法

$$w := w - \eta 
abla Q(w)$$

## 随机梯度下降法

$$w := w - \eta 
abla Q_i(w)$$



## 三大计算瓶颈

IO开销

通信开销

模型规模

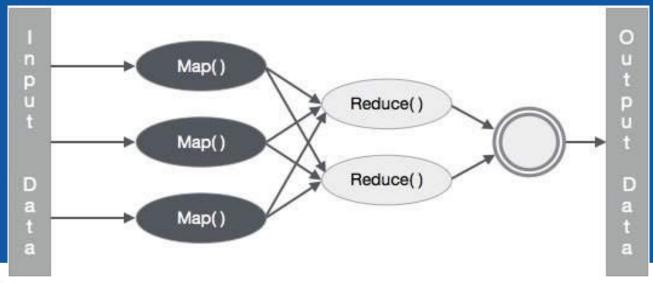


## Map Reduce

IO开销: 可通过内存/SSD加速来缓解

通信开销: 无法解决

模型规模: 无法解决

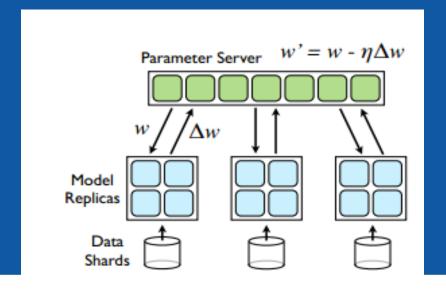


#### Parameter Server

IO开销: 可通过内存/SSD加速来缓解

通信开销: 通过异步更新部分缓解

模型规模: 分布式管理,解除了模型规模限制





## 调参困难

#### 参数搜索空间大

#### 对经验依赖比较大

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调参这事儿,为什么越干越觉得像老中医看病? ∠緣改

只能通过摸索调参的经历,让我觉得很不严谨很不舒服,这个过程真的好烦。

在不同的模型下都有不同的超参数,而每个超参的意义又不同。

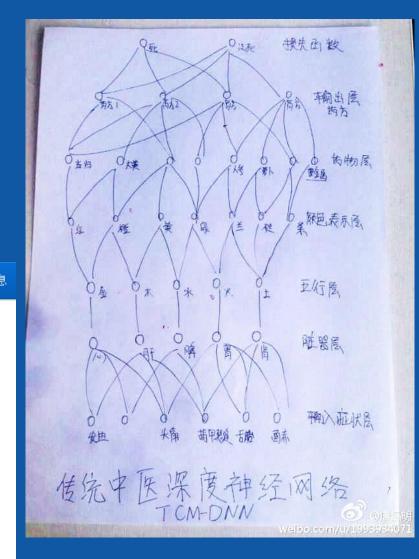
在不同实验结果下,调的参数和调的方向又都不一样。

有没有可能做出比较成熟的自动化调参方案呢?

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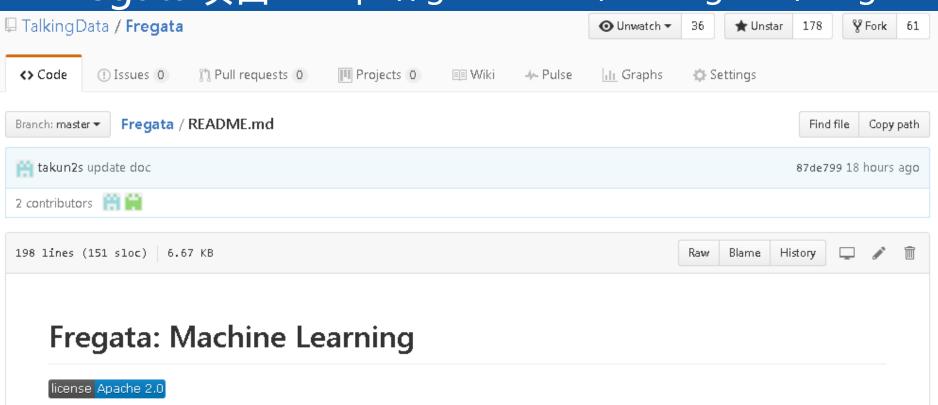
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## Fregata项目 https://github.com/TalkingData/Fregata



- Fregata is a light weight, super fast, large scale machine learning library based on Apache Spark, and it provides high-level APIs in Scala.
- More accurate: For various problems, Fregata can achieve higher accuracy compared to MLLib.
- Higher speed: For Generalized Linear Model, Fregata often converges in one data epoch. For a 1 billion X 1 billion data set,
   Fregata can train a Generalized Linear Model in 1 minute with memory caching or 10 minutes without it. Usually, Fregata is
   10-100 times faster than MLLib.

## Fregata项目

基于Spark ,目前支持1.6

目前实现了四种算法

Logistic Regression

Combine Features Logistic Regression

Softmax

Random Decision Trees



## Fregata项目的特点

速度快

只需要扫描一遍数据

调参容易

LR和Softmax算法不需要调参

RDT调参容易



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## Greedy Step Averaging优化方法

Greedy Step Averaging: A parameter-free stochastic optimization method

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#### Abstract

In this paper we present the greedy step averaging (GSA) method, a parameter-free stochastic optimization algorithm for a variety of machine learning problems. As a gradient-based optimization method, GSA makes use of the information from the minimizer of a single sample's loss function, and takes average strategy to calculate reasonable learning rate sequence. While most existing gradient-based algorithms introduce an increasing number of hyper parameters or try to make a trade-off between computational cost and convergence rate, GSA avoids the manual tuning of learning rate and brings in no more hyper parameters or extra cost. We perform exhaustive numerical experiments for logistic and softmax regression to compare our method with the other state of the art ones on 16 datasets. Results show that GSA is robust on various scenarios.

Keywords Optimization, algorithm, learning rate, parameter-free, self-adaptive, averaging strategy



## GSA优点

SGD方法需要调学习率

衍生方法Adadelta, ADMM, SVRG同样存在着调参的问题, 有些还需要付出更大的存储代价

GSA 方法不需要调参



## GSA算法流程图

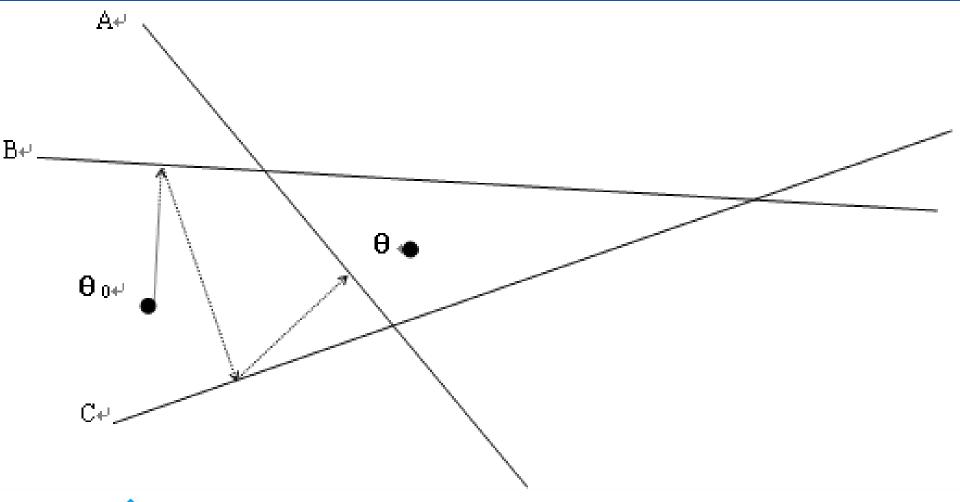
#### Algorithm 2 GSA algorithm in general

**Require:** Initial parameter  $\omega_0$ , loss function  $L(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} l_i(\omega)$ 

- 1: **for** t in  $i \in [0, T]$  **do**
- 2: Take a Training Sample  $(x_t, y_t)$ ;
- 3: Compute Stochastic Gradient  $g_t = \frac{\partial l_t}{\partial u}$ ;
- 4: Compute Greedy Step Size  $\eta_t$  by exact line search on  $t(\omega_t \eta g_t)$ ;
- 5: Compute Averaged Greedy Step Size  $\bar{\eta} = mean(\eta_t)$ ;
- 6: Apply Update  $\omega_{t+1} = \omega_t \bar{\eta}g_t$ ;
- 7: end for



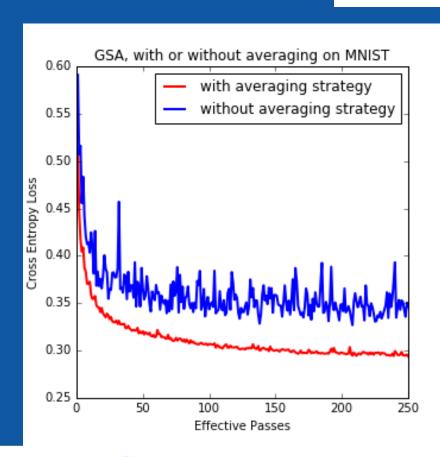
## Greedy Step方法

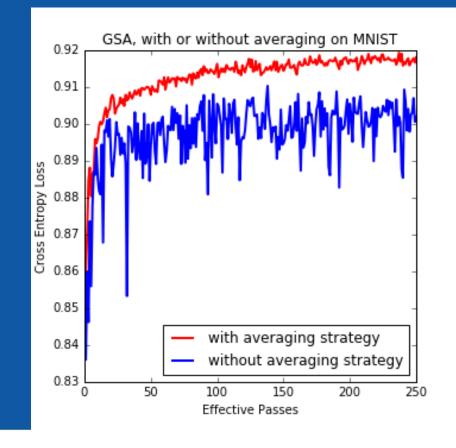




## Averaging 策略

$$E[\eta]_t = \frac{t-1}{t} E[\eta]_{t-1} + \frac{1}{t} \eta_t.$$







## Logistic Regression & Softmax via GSA

### Logistic Regression 学习率公式

$$\eta_{t,i} = \frac{\operatorname{sgn}(y_i - 0.5) \log(\hat{p}_1/\hat{p}_0) - \omega^{(t)} \cdot x_i}{x_i^T x_i (y_i - p_i)}.$$

#### Softmax学习率公式

$$\eta = \frac{-\hat{p}_k \sum_{j=1}^{L} e_j + e_k}{\hat{p}_k \sum_{j=1}^{L} e_j (1 - b_j) + e_k - ee_k/b_k} \cdot \frac{1}{x^T x}$$



## GSA LR & Softmax 实验 – 数据

Table 2: Dataset information								
dataset	#instance(train/test)	$\# { m feature}$	#class					
w1a	2477/47272	300	2					
mnist.scale	60000	780	10					
news20.scale	15935/3993	62061	20					
aloi.scale	108000	128	1000					
a9a	32561	123	2					
breast-cancer_scale	683	10	2					
$gistte\_scale$	6000/1000	5000	2					
madelon	2000/600	500	2					
$\operatorname{cod-rna}$	59535	8	2					
url	2,396,130	3231961	2					
letter.scale	15000/5000	16	26					
dna.scale	2000/1186	180	3					
sector.scale	6412/3207	55197	105					
usps	7291/2007	256	10					
protein	17766 /6621	357	3					
rcv1.multiclass	15564/518571	47236	53					



## GSA LR & Softmax 实验 – 对比算法和总体结果

#### 对比算法

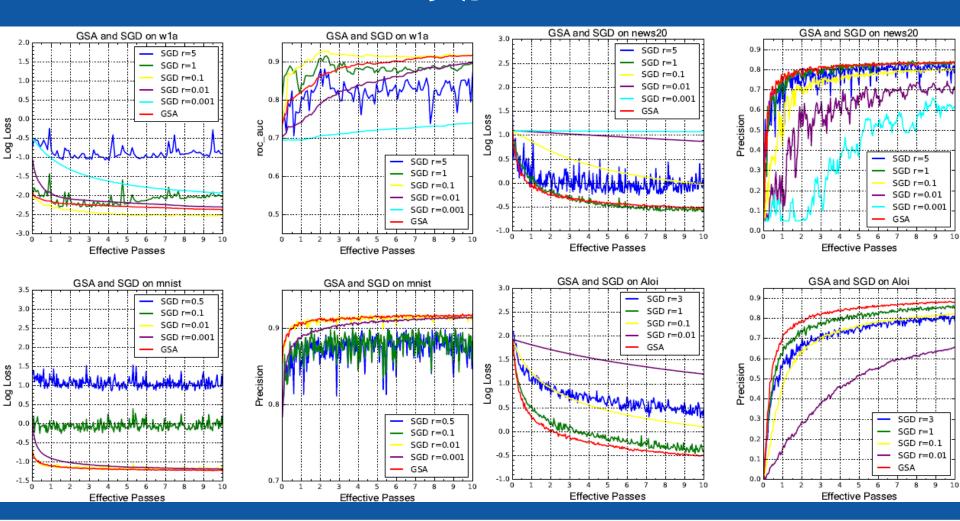
SGD, Adadelta, SCSG

Table 1: Comparison of average performance

problem	metric	loss		prec.			auc			
		1	2	last	1	2	last	1	2	last
LR	mean(Err)	0.056	0.016	0.019	-0.016	-0.018	-0.011	-0.009	-0.005	-0.001
	#best out of 7	0	0	1	0	1	0	3	2	3
Softmax	mean(Err)	0.026	0.030	0.038	0.004	-0.004	-0.001	/	/	/
	#best out of 9	2	2	3	3	3	5	/	/	/



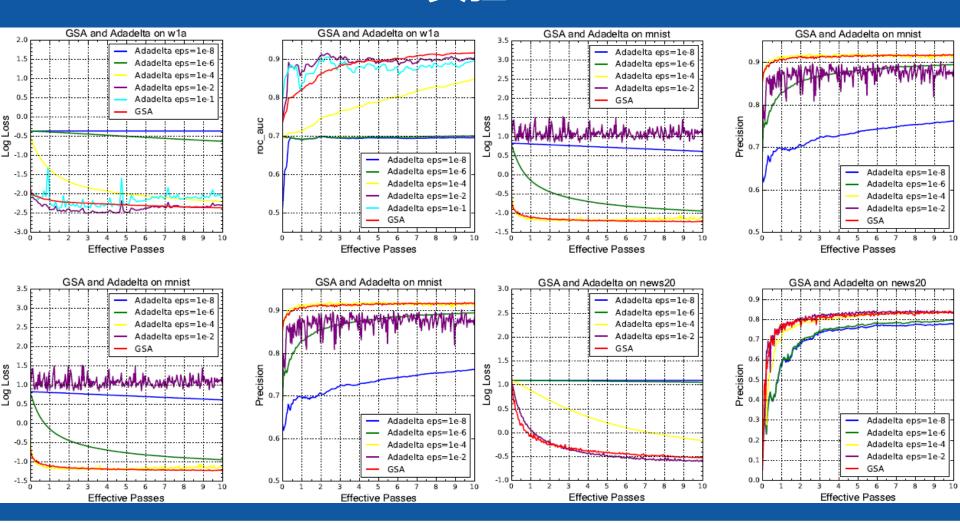
## GSA LR & Softmax 实验 – GSA vs SGD







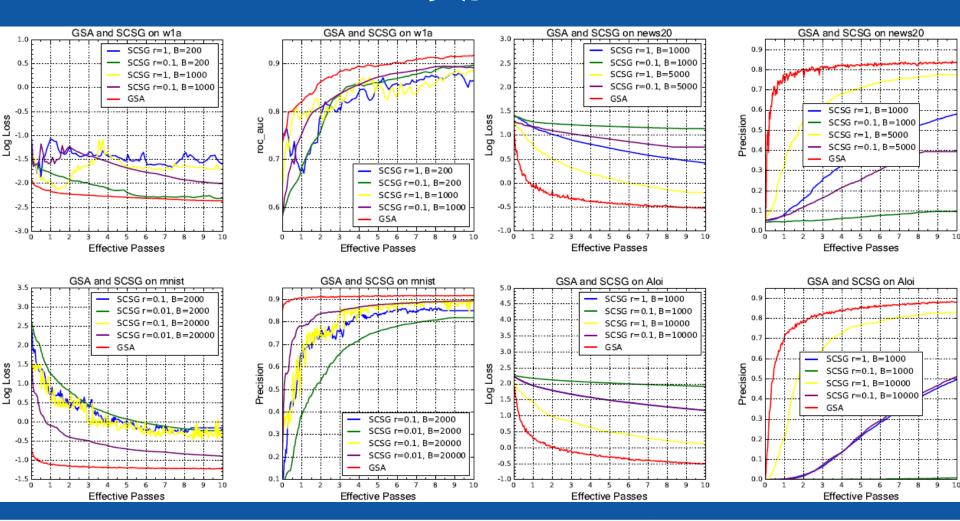
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## GSA LR & Softmax 实验 – GSA vs SCSG





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### 大规模机器学习并行化方法

#### 梯度平均

$$w_{t} = w_{t-1} - \frac{\eta}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n} \nabla Q_{i}(w_{t-1})$$

#### 模型平均

$$w_t = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n} w_{t-1,i}$$

#### 结果平均

$$y_j = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^m y_{j,k}$$



## 模型平均的收敛性

当N个样本均匀分配给m台机器训练出m个p维的模型, n=N/m时, 对线性模型, 对线性模型目当n>>p时逼近效果是比较好的, 当p很大时,误差和m呈线性关系。对非线性模型,误差包含二阶项,可能会很大。

#### On the optimality of averaging in distributed statistical learning

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A common approach to statistical learning with Big-data is to randomly split it among m machines and learn the parameter of interest by averaging the m individual estimates. In this paper, focusing on empirical risk minimization or equivalently M-estimation, we study the statistical error incurred by this strategy. We consider two large-sample settings: first, a classical setting where the number of parameters p is fixed, and the number of samples per machine  $n \to \infty$ . Second, a high-dimensional regime where both  $p, n \to \infty$  with  $p/n \to \kappa \in (0, 1)$ . For both regimes and under suitable assumptions, we present asymptotically exact expressions for this estimation error. In the fixed-p setting, we prove that to leading order averaging is as accurate as the centralized solution. We also derive the second-order error terms, and show that these can be non-negligible, notably for nonlinear models. The high-dimensional setting, in contrast, exhibits a qualitatively different behavior: data splitting incurs a first-order accuracy loss, which increases linearly with the number of machines. The dependence of our error approximations on the number of machines traces an interesting accuracy-complexity tradeoff, allowing the practitioner an informed choice on the number of machines to deploy. Finally, we confirm our theoretical analysis with several simulations.

Rosenblatt J D, Nadler B. On the optimality of averaging in distributed statistical learning[J]. Information and Inference, 2016: iaw013 MLA





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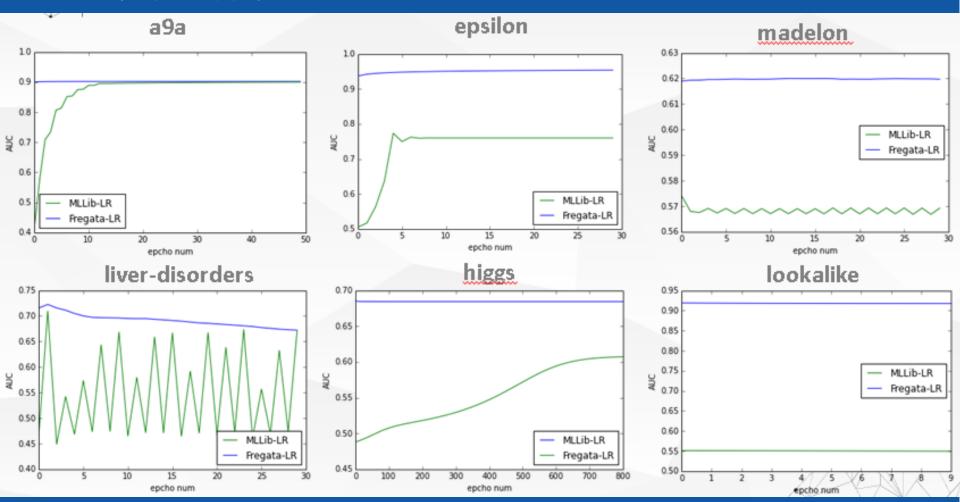
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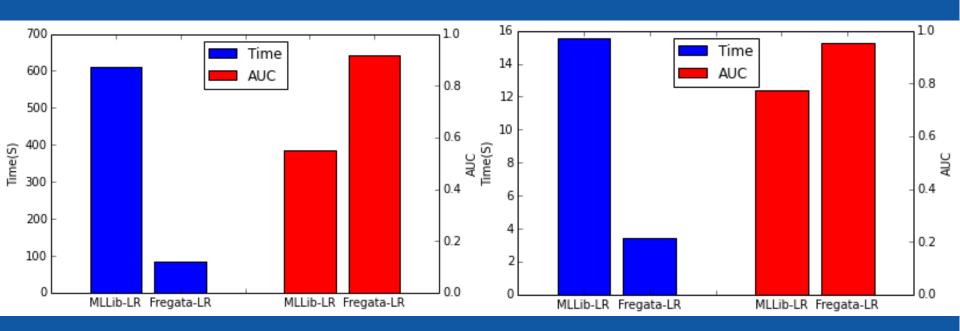


## LR 实验结果1





### LR实验结果2



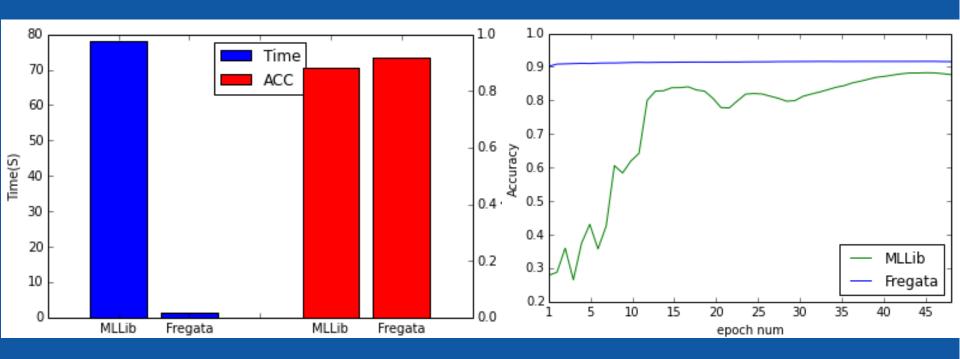
Lookalike 300million X 20 million dataset 0.01% postive class instances

Epsilon 400000X 2000 dataset





## Softmax实验结果 - MNIST





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### Maven配置

### SBT配置

libraryDependencies += "com.talkingdata.fregata" % "core" % "0.0.1"

libraryDependencies += "com.talkingdata.fregata" % "spark" % "0.0.1"



## LR算法示例

```
import fregata.spark.data.LibSvmReader
import fregata.spark.metrics.classification.{AreaUnderRoc, Accuracy}
import fregata.spark.model.classification.LogisticRegression
import org.apache.spark.{SparkConf, SparkContext}
//加载数据
val ( , trainData) = LibSvmReader.read(sc, trainPath, numFeatures.toInt)
val ( , testData) = LibSvmReader.read(sc, testPath, numFeatures.toInt)
//训练模型
val model = LogisticRegression.run(trainData)
val pd = model.classPredict(testData)
//测试AUC指标
val auc = AreaUnderRoc.of( pd.map{
   case ((x,l),(p,c)) =>
    p -> |
  })
```



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## Fregata的目标

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