Logistic Regression

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Naïve Bayes Recap

Bag of words (order independent)

Features are assumed independent given class

$$P(x_1,\ldots,x_n|c)=P(x_1|c)\ldots P(x_n|c)$$

Q: Is this really true?

The problem with assuming conditional independence

- Correlated features -> double counting evidence
 - Parameters are estimated independently
- This can hurt classifier accuracy and calibration

Logistic Regression

Doesn't assume features are independent

Correlated features don't "double count"

What are "Features"?

- A feature function, f
 - Input: Document, D (a string)
 - Output: Feature Vector, X

What are "Features"?

$$f(d) = \begin{cases} \text{count("boring")} \\ \text{count("not boring")} \\ \text{length of document} \\ \text{author of document} \\ \vdots \end{cases}$$

Doesn't have to be just "bag of words"

Feature Templates

 Typically "feature templates" are used to generate many features at once

- For each word:
 - \${w}_count
 - \${w}_lowercase
 - \${w}_with_NOT_before_count

Logistic Regression: Example

Compute Features:

$$f(d_i) = x_i = \begin{pmatrix} \text{count("nigerian")} \\ \text{count("prince")} \\ \text{count("nigerian prince")} \end{pmatrix}$$

Assume we are given some weights:

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} -1.0 \\ -1.0 \\ 4.0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Logistic Regression: Example

- Compute Features
- We are given some weights
- Compute the dot product:

$$z = \sum_{i=0}^{|X|} w_i x_i$$

Logistic Regression: Example

Compute the dot product:

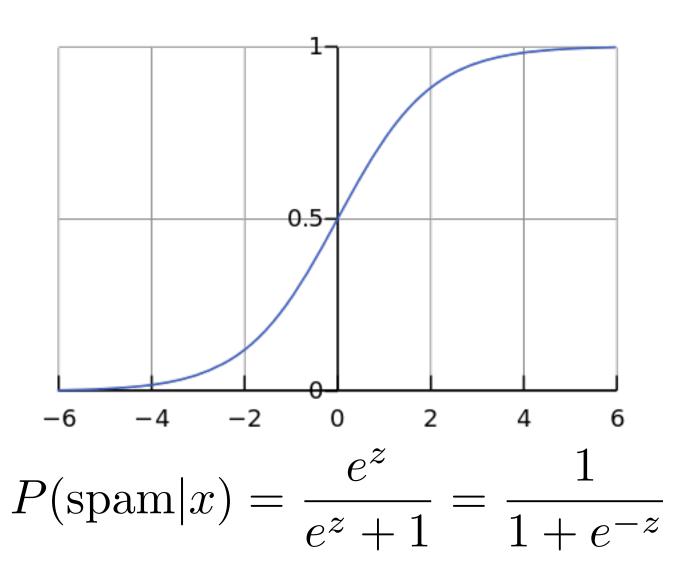
$$z=\sum_{i=0}^{|X|}w_ix_i$$

• Compute the logistic function:

convert into probabilities between [0, 1]

$$P(\text{spam}|x) = \frac{e^z}{e^z + 1} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

The Logistic function



Logistic Regression

(Log) Linear Model - similar to Naïve Bayes

The Dot Product

$$z = \sum_{i=0}^{|X|} w_i x_i$$

- Intuition: weighted sum of features
- All Linear models have this form

Log Linear Model

 A log-linear model is a mathematical model has the form a a function whose logarithm is a linear combination of the parameters.

$$\exp\left(\sum_{i=0}^{|X|} w_i x_i\right)$$



Naïve Bayes as a log-linear model

Q: what are the features?

Q: what are the weights?

Naïve Bayes as a Log-Linear Model

$$P(\operatorname{spam}|D) \propto P(\operatorname{spam}) \prod_{w \in D} P(w|\operatorname{spam})$$

$$P(\operatorname{spam}|D) \propto P(\operatorname{spam}) \prod_{w \in \operatorname{Vocab}} P(w|\operatorname{spam})^{x_i}$$

$$\log P(\operatorname{spam}|D) \propto \log P(\operatorname{spam}) + \sum_{w \in \operatorname{Vocab}} x_i \cdot \log P(w|\operatorname{spam})$$

Naïve Bayes as a Log-Linear Model

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In both naïve Bayes and logistic regression we compute the dot product!

NB vs. LR

Both compute the dot product

NB: sum of log probabilities

• LR: logistic function

NB vs. LR: Parameter Learning

- Naïve Bayes:
 - Learn conditional probabilities independently by counting

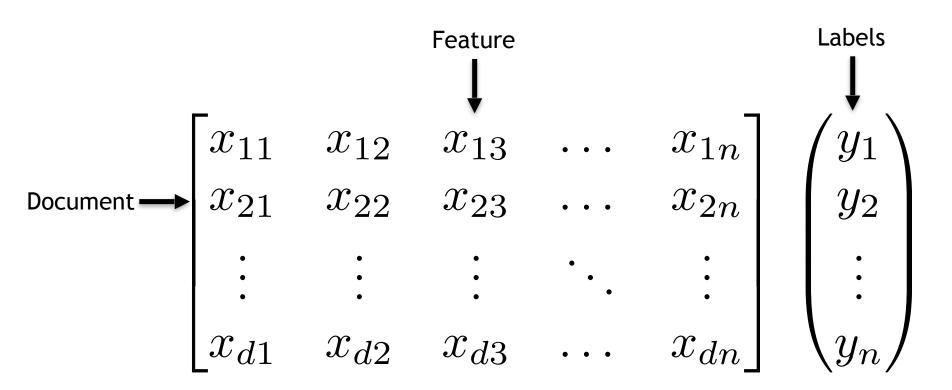
- Logistic Regression:
 - Learn weights jointly

LR: Learning Weights

Given: a set of feature vectors and labels

Goal: learn the weights

LR: Learning Weights



Q: what parameters should we choose?

What is the right value for the weights?

- Maximum Likelihood Principle:
 - Pick the parameters that maximize the probability of the y labels in the training data given the observations x.

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

$$w_{\text{MLE}} = \operatorname{argmax}_{w} \log P(y_1, \dots, y_d | x_1, \dots, x_d; w)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{w} \sum \log P(y_{i}|x_{i};w)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{w} \sum_{i} \log \begin{cases} p_{i}, & \text{if } y_{i} = 1\\ 1 - p_{i}, & \text{if } y_{i} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{w} \sum_{i} \log p_{i}^{\mathbb{I}(y_{i}=1)} (1 - p_{i})^{\mathbb{I}(y_{i}=0)}$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

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$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{w} \sum_{i} y_{i} \log p_{i} + (1 - y_{i}) \log(1 - p_{i})$$

- · Unfortunately there is no closed form solution
 - (like there was with naïve Bayes)

Closed Form Solution

- a Closed Form Solution is a simple solution that works instantly without any loops, functions etc
- e.g. the sum of integer from 1 to n

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s= 0
for i in 1 to n
s = s + i
end for
print s
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Iterative Algorithm

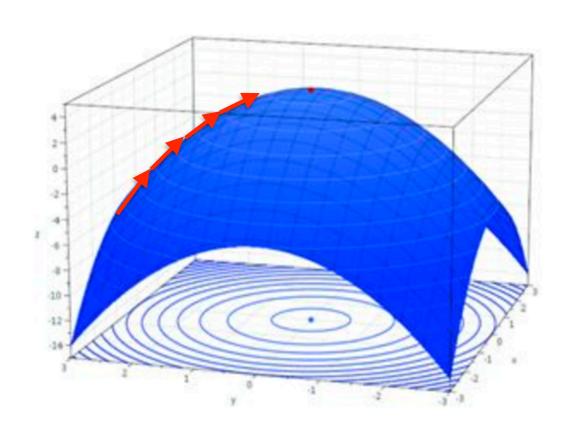
$$s = n(n + 1)/2$$

Closed Form Solution

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

- Solution:
 - Iteratively climb the log-likelihood surface through the derivatives for each weight
- Luckily, the derivatives turn out to be nice

Gradient Ascent



Gradient Ascent

Loop While not converged:

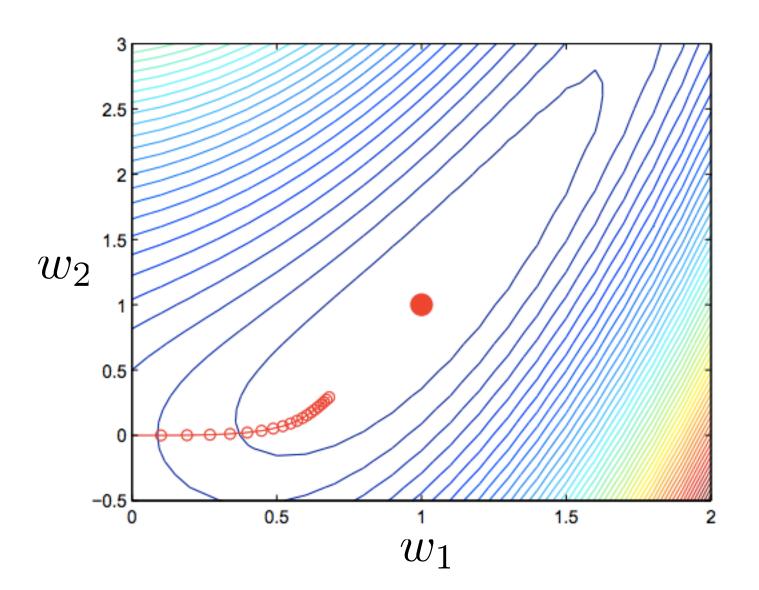
For all features **j**, compute and add derivatives

$$w_j^{\text{new}} = w_j^{\text{old}} + \eta \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \mathcal{L}(w)$$

 $\mathcal{L}(w)$: Training set log-likelihood

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial w_1}, \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial w_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial w_n}\right)$$
: Gradient vector

Gradient ascent



Gradient ascent

