CS 189: Homework 4

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1. Ridge Regression

(a) Let $J(w, \alpha)$ be a loss function so that

$$J(w,\alpha) = (Xw + \alpha 1 - y)^T (Xw + \alpha 1 - y) + \lambda w^T w. \tag{1}$$

The maximizing w, α are derived as follows. The gradient with respect to w is calculated; assuming that J is convex in w, this will give a maximum. A proof is given at the end of the assignment.

$$\nabla_w J = \nabla_w (Xw + \alpha 1 - y)^T (Xw + \alpha 1 - y) + \nabla_w \lambda w^T w$$
$$= 2\lambda w + 2(\nabla_w (Xw + \alpha 1 - y))^T (Xw + \alpha 1 - y)$$
$$= 2\lambda w + 2X^T (Xw + \alpha 1 - y)$$

Letting this quantity be 0 by the convexity of J we get

$$0 = 2\lambda w + 2X^{T}(Xw + \alpha 1 - y)$$

$$0 = 2\lambda w + 2X^{T}Xw + 2\alpha X^{T}1 - 2X^{T}y$$

$$0 = (\lambda I + X^{T}X)w + \alpha X^{T}1 - X^{T}y$$

$$X^{T}y - \alpha \bar{x} = (\lambda I + X^{T}X)$$

$$w = (\lambda I + X^{T}X)^{-1}X^{T}y$$
(2)

(b) See attached iPython notebook!

2. Logistic Regression

(a) In this case

$$R(w) = 1.9883724141284103. (3)$$

- (b) Nah
- (c) w(1) = array([-3., 5.05089812, 0.68363271])
- (d) R(w(1)) = 0.066133848540594925
- (e) Nah

- (f) w(2) = array([-4., 9.10179623, 1.36726541])
- (g) R(w(2)) = 0.0015778803918752944

3.

4. Revisiting Logistic Regression

(a) Show the following theorem:

Theorem 1. If we define $g(z) = \frac{\tanh z + 1}{2}$ then

$$g(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2(e^z + e^{-z})} + \frac{1}{2}.$$
 (4)

Proof. Consider the following algebraic manipulation of g(z) for any $z \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$g(z) = \frac{\tanh z + 1}{2} = \frac{(2s(2z) - 1) + 1}{2}$$
$$= \frac{2s(2z) - 1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore we must only show that

$$\frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2(e^z + e^{-z})} = \frac{2\frac{1}{1 + e^{-2z}} - 1}{2}.$$
 (5)

Observe that since $e^z \neq 0$,

$$\begin{split} \frac{2s(2z)-1}{2} &= \frac{1-e^{-2z}}{2(1+e^{-2z})} \\ &= \frac{e^z-e^{-z}}{2(e^z+e^{-z})} \end{split}$$

and so we know that.

$$g(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2(e^z + e^{-z})} + \frac{1}{2}.$$
 (6)

(b) We calculate g'(z) as follows,

$$g'(z) = \frac{1}{2} \tanh' z = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \tanh^2 z)$$

by the definition of s'(z).

(c) Let $J(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \ln(g(X_i \cdot w)) + (1 - y_i) \ln(1 - g(X_i \cdot w))$. We derive the batch gradient descent learning rule as follows.

$$\begin{split} \nabla J(w) &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{i} \nabla \ln(g(X_{i} \cdot w)) + \nabla(1 - y_{i}) \ln(1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{y_{i}}{g(X_{i} \cdot w)} \nabla g(X_{i} \cdot w) - \frac{1 - y_{i}}{1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)} \nabla g(X_{i} \cdot w) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{y_{i}}{g(X_{i} \cdot w)} g(X_{i} \cdot w) (1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) \nabla X_{i} \cdot w - \\ &\qquad \qquad \frac{1 - y_{i}}{1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)} g(X_{i} \cdot w) (1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) \nabla X_{i} \cdot w \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{y_{i}}{g(X_{i} \cdot w)} - \frac{1 - y_{i}}{1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)} \right) g(X_{i} \cdot w) (1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) \nabla X_{i} \cdot w \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{y_{i}}{g(X_{i} \cdot w)} - \frac{1 - y_{i}}{1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)} \right) g(X_{i} \cdot w) (1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) X_{i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{y_{i} (1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) - (1 - y_{i}) g(X_{i} \cdot w)}{g(X_{i} \cdot w) (1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) X_{i}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(y_{i} (1 - g(X_{i} \cdot w)) - (1 - y_{i}) g(X_{i} \cdot w) \right) X_{i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(y_{i} - y_{i} g(X_{i} \cdot w) - g(X_{i} \cdot w) + y_{i} g(X_{i} \cdot w) \right) X_{i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(y_{i} - g(X_{i} \cdot w) \right) X_{i} \end{split}$$

Therefore for every epoch perform the following weight update rule.

$$w \leftarrow w - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - g(X_i \cdot w)) X_i. \tag{7}$$

It is important to note that this loss function although rooted in a probabilistic model, has some other quantitatively adventageous properties. For example, if square loss function were used, the Δw term would be limited, the gradient would vanish as $w \cdot X_i$ approached large negative or positive values, which in some cases may not be adventageous. This avoids such vanishing gradient problems in a manner that again is rooted in the probabilistic model.

5. Daniel's Email Problem. For this problem we will denote $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ as the manifold to which the feature vectors for all probable email scenarios are close. Let x_t denote the component of some $x \in X$ such that x_t describes Daniel's time since midnight feature

From the problem it is observed that the restriction of X to the dimension of x_t is essentially dense in $S = [0, \epsilon_1) \sqcup (\epsilon_2, 24]$ for x in the spam class. Clearly in the dimension of x_t , this is not a linearly separable problem. One might consider a

quadratic kernel allowing the classification of S^C inside of the maximal boundary of S with respect to the origin centered norm ordering of \mathbb{R} , (take for example (ϵ_1, ϵ_2)). However a simpler solution arises by changing the feature itself.

Let $d: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be the normal euclidean distance on \mathbb{R} . Then defining the feature x_t so that

$$x_t = \min\{d(x,0), d(x,24)\}. \tag{8}$$

This function then implies that the restriction of X to the dimension of x_t has a roughly contiguous interval of spam (positive) samples, ie. $[0, \max\{\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2\}]$. This interval is of course linearly separable with respect to [0, 24], and therefore we can use a Linear SVM.

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In [33]: import numpy as np
         import math
In [55]: def s(gamma):
             return 1.0/(1.0 + math.exp(-gamma))
         def R(w, X, y):
             net = 0
             for i in range(X.shape[0]):
                 print(X[i])
                 net += y[i] * math.log(s(np.dot(w, X[i]))) + (1-y[i])*math.log(s(np.dot(w, X[i])))
             return -net
In [56]: X = np.array([[0,3,1],
                       [1,3,1],
                       [0,1,1],
                       [1,1,1])
         y = np.array([1,1,0,0])
         w0 = np.array([-2,1,0])
In [57]: R(w0,X,y)
[0 3 1]
[1 3 1]
[0 1 1]
[1 1 1]
Out [57]: 1.9883724141284103
In [58]: def delta_w(w,X,y):
             net = np.zeros(w.shape[0])
             for i in range(X.shape[0]):
                 net += y[i] - s(np.dot(X[i], w))*X[i]
             return -net
In [59]: w1 = w0 + delta_w(w0, X,y)
         w1
Out [59]: array([-3.
                           , 5.05089812, 0.68363271])
In [60]: R(w1,X,y)
[0 3 1]
[1 3 1]
[0 1 1]
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