CS280 Fall 2019 Assignment 1 Part A

Basic Neural Networks

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1. Hessian in Logistic Regression (10 points)

Let $\sigma(a)=\frac{1}{1+e^{-a}}$ be an activation function, the loss function of LR is

$$f(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} [y_i \log(\mu_i) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - \mu_i)],$$

where $\mu_i = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}_i)$.

• Show that the Hessian of f can be written as $H=X^\intercal SX$, where $S=diag(\mu_1(1-\mu_1),\cdots,\mu_n(1-\mu_n))$ and $X=[X_1,\cdots,X_n]^\intercal$

Solution:

2. Linear Regression (5 points)

Linear regression has the form

$$f(x) = E[y|x] = b + \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}.$$

ullet It is possible to solve for ${\bf w}$ and b separately. Show that

$$b = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{x}_i^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{w} = \bar{y} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{w}$$

Solution:

3. Gradient descent for fitting GMM (15 points)

Consider the Gaussian mixture model

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \sum_{k} \pi_{k=1}^{K} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mu_{k}, \Sigma_{k})$$

Define the log likelihood as

$$l(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \log p(\mathbf{x}_n | \theta)$$

Denote the posterior responsibility that cluster k has for datapoint n as follows:

$$r_{nk} := p(z_n = k | \mathbf{x}_n, \theta) = \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{k'} \pi_{k'} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_{k'}, \Sigma_k k')}$$

• Show that the gradient of the log-likelihood wrt μ_k is

$$\frac{d}{d\mu_k}l(\theta) = \sum_n r_{nk} \Sigma_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_k)$$

- Derive the gradient of the log-likelihood wrt π_k without considering any constraint on π_k . (bonus: with constraint $\sum_k \pi_k = 1$.)
- Derive the gradient of the log-likelihood wrt Σ_k without considering any constraint on Σ_k . (bonus: with constraint Σ_k be a symmetric positive definite matrix.)

Solution:

References