

# INFOF422 bonus 5

## Binary classification and logistic regression

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### Question

Let us consider a binary classification task where the input  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is bivariate and the categorical output variable  $\mathbf{y}$  may take two values: 0 (associated to red) and 1 (associated to green).

Suppose that the a-priori probability is  $p(\mathbf{y} = 1) = 0.2$  and that the inverse (or class-conditional) distributions are the bivariate Gaussian distributions  $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y} = 0) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \Sigma_0)$  and  $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y} = 1) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \Sigma_1)$  where

- $\mu_0 = [0, 0]^T$
- $\mu_1 = [1, 1]^T$

and both  $\Sigma_0$  and  $\Sigma_1$  are diagonal identity matrices.

The student should

- by using the R function `rmvnorm`, sample a dataset of  $N = 1000$  input/output observations according to the conditional distribution described above,
- visualise in a 2D graph the dataset by using the appropriate colors,
- fit a logistic classifier to the dataset (see details below),
- plot the evolution of the cost function  $J(\alpha)$  during the gradient-based minimization,
- plot in the 2D graph the decision boundary.

Logistic regression estimates

$$\hat{P}(\mathbf{y} = 1|x) = \frac{\exp^{x^T \alpha_N}}{1 + \exp^{x^T \alpha_N}} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp^{-x^T \alpha_N}}, \quad \hat{P}(\mathbf{y} = 0|x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp^{x^T \alpha_N}}$$

where

$$\alpha_N = \arg \min_{\alpha} J(\alpha)$$

and

$$J(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( -y_i x_i^T \alpha + \log(1 + \exp^{x_i^T \alpha}) \right)$$

Note that  $\alpha$  is the vector  $[\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2]$  and that  $x_i = [1, x_{i1}, x_{i2}]$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ .

The value of  $\alpha_N$  has to be computed by gradient-based minimization of the cost function  $J(\alpha)$  by performing  $I = 200$  iterations of the update rule

$$\alpha^{(\tau)} = \alpha^{(\tau-1)} - \eta \frac{dJ(\alpha^{(\tau-1)})}{d\alpha}, \quad \tau = 1, \dots, I$$

where  $\alpha^{(0)} = [0, 0, 0]^T$  and  $\eta = 0.001$ .

## Data generation

```
library(mvtnorm)
set.seed(0)
N=1000
p1=0.2

mu1<-c(2,2)
Sigma1=diag(2)

mu0<-c(0,0)
Sigma0=diag(2)

N1=N*p1
N0=N*(1-p1)

X1=rmvnorm(N1,mu1,Sigma1)

X0=rmvnorm(N0,mu0,Sigma0)

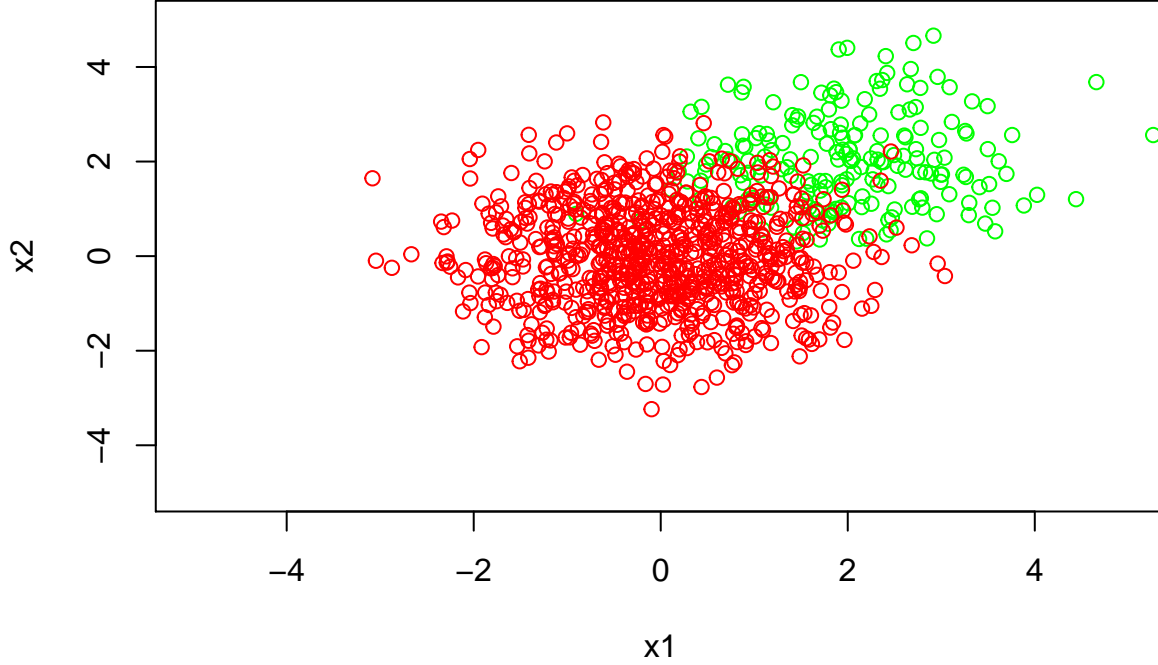
Y=numeric(N)

Y[1:N1]=1
X=rbind(X1,X0)
X=cbind(numeric(N)+1,X)
```

## Data visualization

```
plot(0,0,xlim=c(-5,5),ylim=c(-5,5),type="n",xlab="x1",ylab="x2")

for (i in 1:N)
  if (Y[i]>0){
    points(X[i,2],X[i,3],col="green")
  }else{
    points(X[i,2],X[i,3],col="red")
  }
```



### Analytical derivation of gradient vector

In order to perform gradient descent we need to compute the derivatives of  $J(\alpha)$  with respect to the three parameters  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2$ .

Since the scalar function  $J : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  can be written as

$$J(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^N J_i(\alpha) \text{ and}$$

$$J_i(\alpha) = -y_i(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}) + \log(1 + \exp^{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}})$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \alpha_0} &= -y_i + \frac{\exp^{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}}}{1 + \exp^{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}}} \\ \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \alpha_1} &= -y_i x_{i1} + \frac{\exp^{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}}}{1 + \exp^{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}}} x_{i1} \\ \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \alpha_2} &= -y_i x_{i2} + \frac{\exp^{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}}}{1 + \exp^{\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i1} + \alpha_2 x_{i2}}} x_{i2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial J}{\partial \alpha_0} &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \alpha_0} \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial \alpha_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \alpha_1} \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial \alpha_2} &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \alpha_2} \end{aligned}$$

We write then a R function `Jcost` that returns for a given vector  $\alpha$  both the scalar value  $J(\alpha)$  and the vector  $[\frac{\partial J}{\partial \alpha_0}, \frac{\partial J}{\partial \alpha_1}, \frac{\partial J}{\partial \alpha_2}]$ .

```
Jcost<-function(alpha,X,Y){
  N=length(Y)

  J=0
  dJ=numeric(3)
  for (i in 1:N){
    J=J-Y[i]*t(X[i,])%%alpha+log(1+exp(t(X[i,])%%alpha))
    dJ[1]=dJ[1]-Y[i]*X[i,1]+(exp(t(X[i,])%%alpha)/(1+(exp(t(X[i,])%%alpha)))*X[i,1]
    ## note that X[i,1]=1

    dJ[2]=dJ[2]-Y[i]*X[i,2]+(exp(t(X[i,])%%alpha)/(1+(exp(t(X[i,])%%alpha)))*X[i,2]
    dJ[3]=dJ[3]-Y[i]*X[i,3]+(exp(t(X[i,])%%alpha)/(1+(exp(t(X[i,])%%alpha)))*X[i,3]

  }

  list(J=J,dJ=dJ)
}
```

## Gradient-based parametric identification

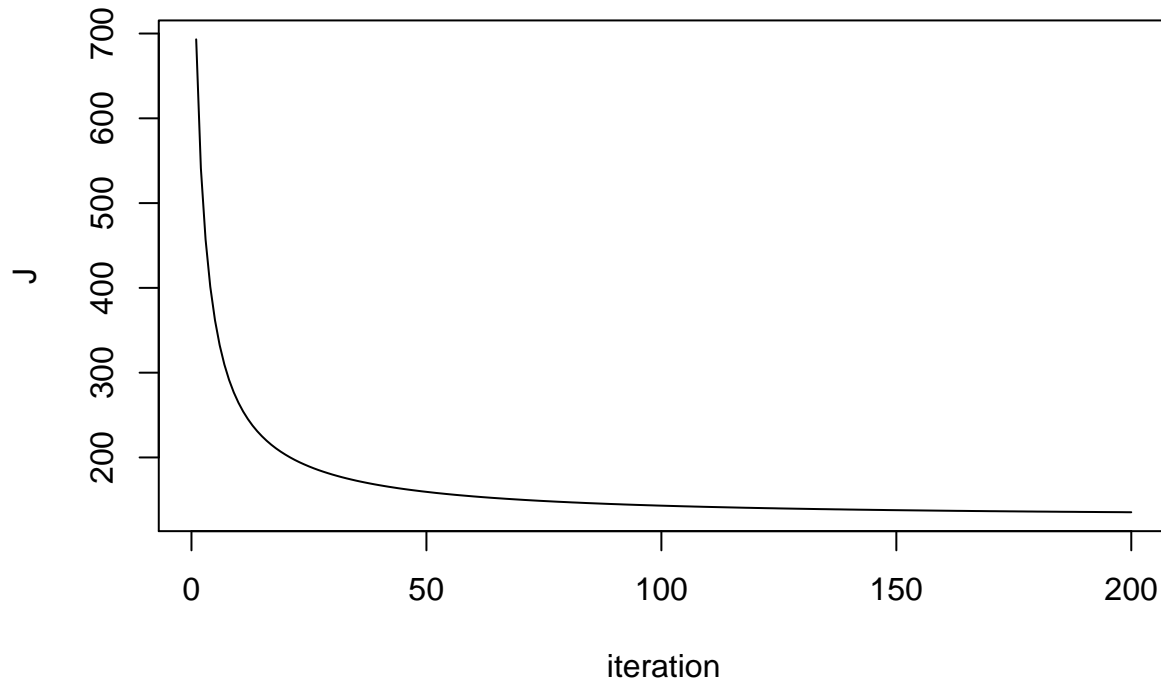
In the code below we perform  $I = 200$  iterations of the gradient descent formula and we store the sequence of values of  $J(\alpha^{(\tau)})$  for the graphical visualisation.

The outcome of the gradient-based parametric identification is  $\alpha_N = \alpha^{(I)}$ .

```
eta=0.001

I=200
J=NULL
alpha=numeric(3)
for (r in 1:I){
  JJ=Jcost(alpha,X,Y)
  J=c(J,JJ$J)
  dJ=JJ$dJ
  alpha[1]<-alpha[1]-eta*dJ[1] ## gradient descent iteration for alpha0
  alpha[2]<-alpha[2]-eta*dJ[2] ## gradient descent iteration for alpha1
  alpha[3]<-alpha[3]-eta*dJ[3] ## gradient descent iteration for alpha2
}

plot(J,type="l",xlab="iteration",ylab="J")
```



The gradient-descent procedure returns that  $\alpha_N$  is equal to **-4.8751862, 1.8168868, 1.8694582** .

## Boundary line plot

Once fitted the logistic regression model, the boundary region between the two classes is the set of points where

$$\hat{P}(\mathbf{y} = 1|x) = \hat{P}(\mathbf{y} = 0|x)$$

that is the set of points where

$$\exp^{x^T \alpha_N} = 1$$

or equivalently

$$x^T \alpha_N = 0$$

Since

$$x^T \alpha_N = \alpha_{0N} + \alpha_{1N}x_1 + \alpha_{2N}x_2$$

the equation of the boundary line in the reference system  $(x_1, x_2)$  is

$$x_2 = -\frac{\alpha_{0N}}{\alpha_{2N}} - \frac{\alpha_{1N}}{\alpha_{2N}}x_1$$

The code below shows the data points together with the linear decision boundary returned by the logistic regression classifier.

```
plot(0,0,xlim=c(-5,5),ylim=c(-5,5),type="n",xlab="x1",ylab="x2")

for (i in 1:N)
  if (Y[i]>0){
    points(X[i,2],X[i,3],col="green")
  }else{
    points(X[i,2],X[i,3],col="red")
  }
x1=seq(-5,5,by=0.1)
```

```
lines(x1, -alpha[1]/alpha[3] - alpha[2]/alpha[3]*x1, type="l", lwd=4)
```

