

Classification Model

According to the paper 'Learning with noisy labels', unbiased estimator of the loss from noisy label can be calculated as follows:

$$l'(w, y) = \frac{(1 - \rho_{-y})l(w, y) - \rho_y l(w, -y)}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \rho_{-y}}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} l(w, y) + \frac{-\rho_y}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} l(w, -y)$$

where ρ_y denotes the rate of samples with $y=1$ and ρ_{-y} denotes the rate of samples with $y=0$, ρ_{+1} and ρ_{-1} denote the noise rate.

Logistical Regression is used to implement the experiment results in the Chapter 5.1.

Log Loss Function for Logistical Regression can be represented as follows:

$$l(w) = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \log(h_w(x_i)) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - h_w(x_i))$$

where h_w is the sigmoid function: $h_w(x_i) = \text{sigmoid}(w^T x_i)$, m is the number of all samples.

To calculate the unbiased estimator of the loss from noisy label, we need to calculate the loss with all $y=1$ samples $l(w, y)$ and the loss with all $y=0$ samples $l(w, -y)$

For all the samples with $y=1$,

$$l(w, y) = -\frac{1}{m'} \sum_{i=1}^{m'} \log(h_w(x_i))$$

where m' is the number of the samples with $y=1$.

For all the samples with $y=0$,

$$l(w, -y) = -\frac{1}{m - m'} \sum_{i=1}^{m-m'} \log(1 - h_w(x_i))$$

So the unbiased estimator of the loss can be represented as:

$$l'(w, y) = \frac{1 - \rho_{-y}}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} l(w, y) + \frac{-\rho_y}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} l(w, -y)$$

$$= \frac{\rho_{-y} - 1}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} \frac{1}{m'} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ y=1}}^{m'} \log(h_w(x_i)) + \frac{\rho_y}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} \frac{1}{m - m'} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ y=0}}^{m-m'} \log(1 - h_w(x_i))$$

Then the gradient descent is used to minimize the loss function.
For all the samples with $y=1$, the gradient can be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial l'}{\partial w} &= -\frac{1 - \rho_{-y}}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} \frac{1}{m'} \sum_{i=1}^{m'} \frac{1}{h_w} \frac{\partial h}{\partial w} \\ &= -\frac{1 - \rho_{-y}}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} \frac{1}{m'} \sum_{i=1}^{m'} (1 - h_w(x_i)) x_i\end{aligned}$$

For all the samples with $y=0$, the gradient can be calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial l'}{\partial w} &= -\frac{-\rho_y}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} \frac{1}{m - m'} \sum_{i=1}^{m'} \frac{-1}{1 - h_w} \frac{\partial h}{\partial w} \\ &= \frac{\rho_y}{1 - \rho_{+1} - \rho_{-1}} \frac{1}{m - m'} \sum_{i=1}^{m'} h_w(x_i) x_i\end{aligned}$$

Results

Synthetic 2D linearly separable dataset is shown in figures below.

For the Logistical Regression, the learning rate is 0.1 and the number of iterations is 1000.

Noise rate ρ_{+1}	Noise rate ρ_{-1}	Accuracy
0	0	0.997
0.2	0.2	0.994
0.4	0.4	0.984



