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1.

You are working on a spam classification system using regularized logistic regression. "Spam" is a positive class ($y = 1$) and "not spam" is the negative class ($y = 0$). You have trained your classifier and there are $m = 1000$ examples in the cross-validation set. The chart of predicted class vs. actual class is:

	Actual Class: 1	Actual Class: 0
Predicted Class: 1	85	890
Predicted Class: 0	15	10

For reference:

- Accuracy = (true positives + true negatives) / (total examples)
- Precision = (true positives) / (true positives + false positives)
- Recall = (true positives) / (true positives + false negatives)
- F_1 score = $(2 * \text{precision} * \text{recall}) / (\text{precision} + \text{recall})$

What is the classifier's F_1 score (as a value from 0 to 1)?

Enter your answer in the box below. If necessary, provide at least two values after the decimal point.

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2.

Suppose a massive dataset is available for training a learning algorithm. Training on a lot of data is likely to give good performance when two of the following conditions hold true.

Which are the two?

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When we are willing to include high

order polynomial features of x (such as $x_1^2, x_2^2,$

$x_1 x_2$, etc.).

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The features x contain sufficient

information to predict y accurately. (For example, one

way to verify this is if a human expert on the domain

can confidently predict y when given only x).

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We train a learning algorithm with a

large number of parameters (that is able to

learn/represent fairly complex functions).

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We train a learning algorithm with a

small number of parameters (that is thus unlikely to

overfit).

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Suppose you have trained a logistic regression classifier which is outputting $h_{\theta}(x)$.

Currently, you predict 1 if $h_{\theta}(x) \geq \text{threshold}$, and predict 0 if $h_{\theta}(x) < \text{threshold}$, where currently the threshold is set to 0.5.

Suppose you **decrease** the threshold to 0.3. Which of the following are true? Check all that apply.

- ☒ The classifier is likely to now have higher recall.
 - ☐ The classifier is likely to have unchanged precision and recall, but higher accuracy.
 - ☐ The classifier is likely to have unchanged precision and recall, but lower accuracy.
 - ☐ The classifier is likely to now have higher precision.
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4.

Suppose you are working on a spam classifier, where spam emails are positive examples ($y = 1$) and non-spam emails are negative examples ($y = 0$). You have a training set of emails in which 99% of the emails are non-spam and the other 1% is spam. Which of the following statements are true? Check all that apply.

- ☒ If you always predict non-spam (output $y = 0$), your classifier will have an accuracy of 99%.

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If you always predict non-spam (output

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$y = 0$), your classifier will have 99% accuracy on the training set, but it will do much worse on the cross validation set because it has overfit the training data.

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A good classifier should have both a high precision and high recall on the cross validation set.

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If you always predict non-spam (output $y = 0$), your classifier will have 99% accuracy on the training set, and it will likely perform similarly on the cross validation set.

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5.

Which of the following statements are true? Check all that apply.

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If your model is underfitting the training set, then obtaining more data is likely to help.

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It is a good idea to spend a lot of time collecting a **large** amount of data before building your first version of a learning algorithm.

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After training a logistic regression classifier, you **must** use 0.5 as your threshold

for predicting whether an example is positive or

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On skewed datasets (e.g., when there are more positive examples than negative examples), accuracy is not a good measure of performance and you should instead use F_1 score based on the precision and recall.



Using a **very large** training set makes it unlikely for model to overfit the training data.



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