

Problem 1.

Answer: a) Given,

$$\begin{aligned}
 l(\mathbf{w}) &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i), \sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \\
 \sigma'(z) &= -\frac{1}{(1 + e^{-z})^2} \frac{\partial(1 + e^{-z})}{\partial z} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-z}}{(1 + e^{-z})^2} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \frac{1 + e^{-z} - 1}{1 + e^{-z}} \\
 &= \sigma(z)(1 - \sigma(z))
 \end{aligned}$$

Then the gradient is found as,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \nabla l(\mathbf{w}) &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \mathbf{x}_i \frac{\sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)}{\sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)} (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \\
 &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \mathbf{x}_i (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i))
 \end{aligned}$$

b) The Hessian is then found as,

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_l(\mathbf{w}) &= \begin{pmatrix} \partial \nabla l / \partial w_1 & \partial \nabla l / \partial w_2 & \dots & \partial \nabla l / \partial w_p \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i x_{i,1} \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i x_{i,2} \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i x_{i,p} \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \end{pmatrix}^T \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_i x_{i,1} & \mathbf{x}_i x_{i,2} & \dots & \mathbf{x}_i x_{i,p} \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \begin{pmatrix} x_{i,1} x_{i,1} & \dots & x_{i,1} x_{i,p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{i,p} x_{i,1} & \dots & x_{i,p} x_{i,p} \end{pmatrix} \\
 \Rightarrow H_l(\mathbf{w}) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i))
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $l_i(\mathbf{w}) = \log \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)$ be such that

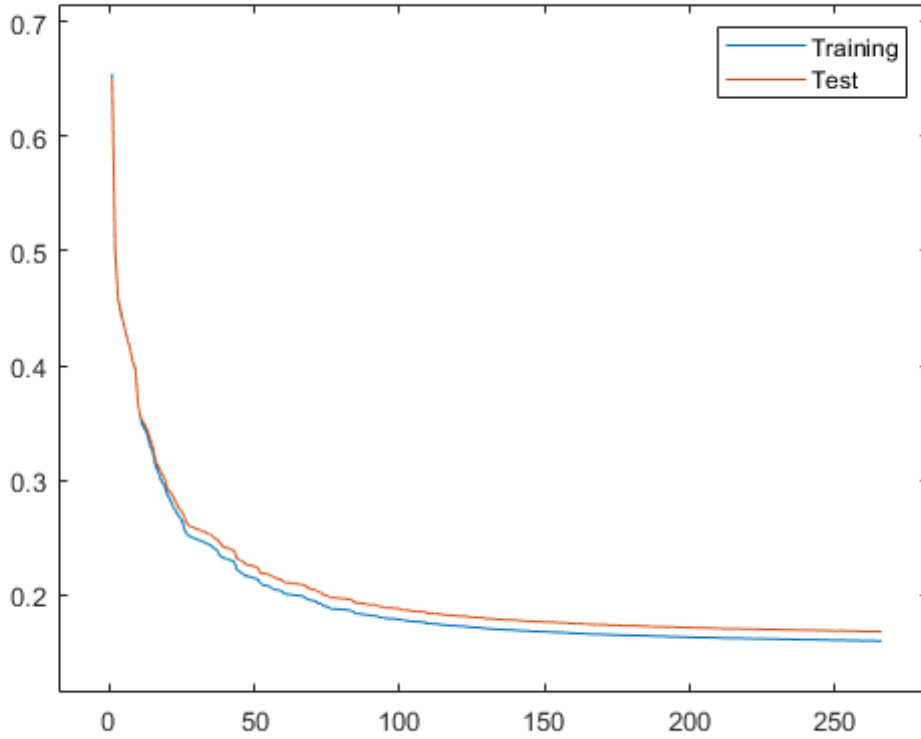
$$\begin{aligned}
 l(\mathbf{w}) &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n l_i(\mathbf{w}) \\
 \Rightarrow H_{l_i}(\mathbf{w}) &= y_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) (1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i))
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sigma(\mathbf{z}) \in [0, 1]$ for all \mathbf{z} , $\Rightarrow 1 - \sigma(\mathbf{a}) \in [0, 1]$,
then $y_i^2 \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)(1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \geq 0$ for all $y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i$.
We check if $\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T$ is positive definite;
For all $\mathbf{v} \in R^p$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{v} &= (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{v})^T (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{v})^2 \geq 0 \\ \Rightarrow y_i^2 \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)(1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \cdot (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{v})^2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $H_{l_i}(\mathbf{w}) = y_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)(1 - \sigma(y_i \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i))$ is positive definite and $l_i(\mathbf{w})$ is convex,
and by Corollary 3.1, $l(\mathbf{w})$ is therefore convex.

c) & d)



The best best model parameter is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{w}^* = & (-0.0875, -0.0906, -0.0897, 0.2244, 0.4252, 0.2253, 0.8877, 0.4803, 0.1037, 0.1133, 0.0337, \\ & -0.1983, -0.1725, 0.1954, 0.2317, 0.5274, 0.4339, 0.0013, 0.0671, 0.2169, 0.2119, \\ & 0.1843, 0.5949, 0.5848, -0.8879, -0.2271, -0.9779, 0.0354, -0.1465, -0.0386, -0.1091, \\ & -0.0029, -0.1703, -0.0106, -0.1612, 0.2882, -0.4286, 0.1027, -0.2027, -0.0366, -0.1122, \\ & -0.5082, -0.1578, -0.3256, -0.3231, -0.7341, 0.0547, -0.2213, -0.1272, -0.0401, -0.0062, \\ & 0.7794, 0.9977, 0.1117, 0.4161, 0.2900, 0.1242) \end{aligned}$$

with a loss value of $l(\mathbf{w}^*) = 0.160133415155724$ for the training data
and $l(\mathbf{w}^*) = 0.168318657862923$ for the test data. □

Problem 2.

Answer: a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\min f(\mathbf{x}) &:= x_1 - x_2 \\
g_1(\mathbf{x}) &:= x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 2 = 0 \\
g_2(\mathbf{x}) &:= x_2 - x_3^2 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Given $g_1(\mathbf{x}) := x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 2$ is a circle
on the x_1x_2 plane centered on $(0, 0)$ with *radius* $= \sqrt{2}$ then

$$-\sqrt{2} \leq x_1 \leq \sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2} \leq x_2 \leq \sqrt{2},$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
g_2(\mathbf{x}) &:= x_2 - x_3^2, -\sqrt{2} \leq x_2 \leq \sqrt{2} \\
&\Rightarrow -\sqrt{2} \leq x_3^2 \leq \sqrt{2} \\
&\Rightarrow -2^{1/6} \leq x_3 \leq 2^{1/6} \\
&\Rightarrow -2^{1/6} \leq x_i \leq 2^{1/6}, \forall i = 1, 2, 3
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $\alpha = 2^{1/6}$

b) We show that $\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x})$ and $\nabla g_2(\mathbf{x})$ are linearly independent.

$$(\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}) \quad \nabla g_2(\mathbf{x})) = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 & 0 \\ 2x_2 & 1 \\ 0 & -3x_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We prove the gradients are linearly independent by contradiction; i.e. prove they cannot be parallel by contradiction. Let

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} &= \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3x_3^2 \end{pmatrix} \\
&\Rightarrow x_1 = 0, x_2 = \lambda/2 \\
&\Rightarrow g_1(\mathbf{x}) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

From third components, $\lambda^2 = 8 \Rightarrow \lambda \neq 0, x_3 = 0$

but then $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 0$ which contradicts $x_2 = \lambda/2 \neq 0$

c) For $x \in S$, the KKT conditions are;

$$\begin{aligned}
&\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda_1 \nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda_2 \nabla g_2(\mathbf{x}) \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3x_3^2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0} \\
&\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 + 2\lambda_1 x_1 = 0 \\ -1 + 2\lambda_1 x_2 + \lambda_2 = 0 \\ -3\lambda_2 x_3^2 = 0 \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

From the third eqn, $x_3 = 0$ or $\lambda_2 = 0$,

If $x_3 = 0$, $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 0$, then from the second equation $\lambda_2 = 1$.
Then $g_1(\mathbf{x}) = 0$, $x_1 = \pm\sqrt{2}$ and the first equation gives $\lambda_1 = \mp 1/(2\sqrt{2})$.
Hence, $\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = (-\sqrt{2} \ 0 \ 0)^T$ is a KKT solution, with $f(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}) = -\sqrt{2}$ and
 $\mathbf{x}^{(2)} = (\sqrt{2} \ 0 \ 0)^T$ is a KKT solution, with $f(\mathbf{x}^{(2)}) = \sqrt{2}$.
If $\lambda_2 = 0$, then when rearranging, we have

$$x_1 = -\frac{1}{2\lambda_1}, x_2 = \frac{1}{2\lambda_1},$$

Then for $g_1(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \pm 1/2$

If $\lambda_1 = 1/2$, then $x_1 = -1, x_2 = 1$ and $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = 1$.

If $\lambda_1 = -1/2$, then $x_1 = 1, x_2 = -1$ and $g_2(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = -1$.

$\mathbf{x}^{(3)} = (-1 \ 1 \ 1)^T$ is a KKT solution, with $f(\mathbf{x}^{(3)}) = -2$ and

$\mathbf{x}^{(4)} = (1 \ -1 \ -1)^T$ is a KKT solution, with $f(\mathbf{x}^{(4)}) = 2$.

The global minimizer is thus $\mathbf{x}^{(3)}$. □

Problem 3.

Answer: a) Let

$$\begin{aligned}
h_1(x) &:= x^2 > 0, x \in (-\infty, \infty) \setminus \{0\} \\
h_2(x) &:= x + 1 > 0, \\
&\Rightarrow x > -1, x \in (-1, \infty) \\
&\Rightarrow F^< = (-1, \infty) \setminus \{0\}
\end{aligned}$$

b) Given

$$\begin{aligned}
P(x, \mu) &= x - \mu \log(x^2) + \mu \log(x + 1) \\
\frac{\partial P(x, \mu)}{\partial x} &= 1 - \mu \left(\frac{2}{x} + \frac{1}{x + 1} \right) = 0 \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{2x + 2 + x}{x(x + 1)} = \frac{1}{\mu} \\
&\Rightarrow \mu(3x + 2) = x(x + 1) \\
&\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 3\mu x - 2\mu = 0 \\
&\Rightarrow x^2 + (1 - 3\mu)x - 2\mu = 0 \\
x &= \frac{(3\mu - 1) \pm \sqrt{(1 - 3\mu)^2 - 4(-2\mu)}}{2} \\
&= \frac{(3\mu - 1) \pm \sqrt{(1 - 3\mu)^2 + 8\mu}}{2} \\
\Rightarrow x_\mu &\in \left\{ x = \frac{(3\mu - 1) \pm \sqrt{(1 - 3\mu)^2 + 8\mu}}{2} \mid \mu > 0 \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} x_\mu &= \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3\mu - 1) \pm \sqrt{(1 - 3\mu)^2 + 8\mu}}{2} \\
&= \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \frac{(3(0) - 1) \pm \sqrt{(1 - 3(0))^2 + 8(0)}}{2} \\
&= \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1}}{2} \\
&\Rightarrow \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} x_\mu = -1, \lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} x_\mu = 0
\end{aligned}$$

□

Problem 4.

Answer: a) NLP: Let $V(x, y, z)$ be the volume enclosed by the box,

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x>0, y>0, z>0} -V(x, y, z) &= -xyz \\ 4(x + y + z) - 20 &= 0 \text{ (length of all edges)} \\ \Rightarrow g_1(\mathbf{x}) &:= x + y + z - 5 = 0 \\ 2(xy + xz + yz) - 16 &= 0 \text{ (area of all faces)} \\ \Rightarrow g_2(\mathbf{x}) &:= xy + xz + yz - 8 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

b) To find the feasible set

$$\begin{aligned} x \cdot g_1(\mathbf{x}) &:= x^2 + xy + xz = 5x \\ y \cdot g_1(\mathbf{x}) &:= xy + y^2 + yz = 5y \\ z \cdot g_1(\mathbf{x}) &:= xz + yz + z^2 = 5z \\ \Rightarrow x \cdot g_1(\mathbf{x}) + y \cdot g_1(\mathbf{x}) + z \cdot g_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + xz) &= 5(x + y + z) \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 16 &= 25 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= 3^2 \end{aligned}$$

$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3^2$ is a sphere centered at $(0,0,0)$ with a radius of 3.

Hence, the feasible set is $F = \{(x, y, z) | 0 < x, y, z < 3, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3^2\}$.

Since the box is not a cube, $x \neq y \neq z$. Given the KKT conditions;

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) &= -xyz + \lambda_1(x + y + z - 5) + \lambda_2(xy + xz + yz - 8) \\ -\nabla V(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda_1 \nabla g_1(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda_2 \nabla g_2(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbf{0} \\ \Rightarrow -\begin{pmatrix} yz \\ xz \\ xy \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{pmatrix} y+z \\ x+z \\ x+y \end{pmatrix} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} -yz + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2(y+z) = 0 - (1) \\ -xz + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2(x+z) = 0 - (2) \\ -xy + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2(x+y) = 0 - (3) \\ x + y + z - 5 = 0 - (4) \\ xy + xz + yz - 8 = 0 - (5) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

We check that $\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x})$ and $\nabla g_2(\mathbf{x})$ are linearly independent.

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & y+z & 0 \\ 1 & x+z & 0 \\ 1 & x+y & 0 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{Gaussian Elimination}} \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

Hence, there exists only the unique solution of $\mathbf{0}$, and thus $\nabla g_1(\mathbf{x})$, $\nabla g_2(\mathbf{x})$ are linearly independent, and all $\mathbf{x} > \mathbf{0}$ are regular points. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (1) - (2) &\Rightarrow z(x - y) - \lambda_2(x - y) = 0, z = \lambda_2 \\ \Rightarrow (1) - (3) &\Rightarrow y(x - z) - \lambda_2(x - z) = 0, y = \lambda_2 \\ &\Rightarrow x + y + z = 5, x + 2\lambda_2 = 5, x = 5 - 2\lambda_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(\lambda) &= L(x = 5 - 2\lambda_2, y = \lambda_2, z = \lambda_2, \lambda) \\ &= -(5 - 2\lambda_2)(\lambda_2)^2 + \lambda_1(5 - 2\lambda_2 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_2 - 5) \\ &\quad + \lambda_2((5 - 2\lambda_2)\lambda_2 + (5 - 2\lambda_2)\lambda_2 + \lambda_2^2 - 8) \\ &= -5\lambda_2^2 + 2\lambda_2^3 + \lambda_2^3 - 8\lambda_2 + 2\lambda_2^2(5 - 2\lambda_2) \\ &= 3\lambda_2^3 - 4\lambda_2^3 - 5\lambda_2^2 + 10\lambda_2^2 - 8\lambda_2 \\ &= -\lambda_2^3 + 5\lambda_2^2 - 8\lambda_2, \lambda_2 \in R \\ &\Rightarrow \theta'(\lambda_2) = -3\lambda_2^2 + 10\lambda_2 - 8 = 0 \\ &\quad \lambda_2 = \frac{4}{3}, \lambda_2 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} x = 5 - 2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = \frac{7}{3}, x = 5 - 2(2) = 1 \\ y = \frac{4}{3}, y = 2 \\ z = \frac{4}{3}, z = 2 \end{cases}$$

respectively.

Repeating the above for other combinations with (4),

$$\begin{aligned} (2) - (3) &\Rightarrow x(y - z) - \lambda_2(y - z) = 0, x = \lambda_2 \\ &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y = 5 - 2\lambda_2, \text{ if } x = \lambda_2, z = \lambda_2 \\ z = 5 - 2\lambda_2, \text{ if } x = \lambda_2, y = \lambda_2 \end{cases} \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x = \frac{4}{3}, x = 2 \\ y = 5 - 2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = \frac{7}{3}, y = 5 - 2(2) = 1 \\ z = \frac{4}{3}, z = 2 \end{cases} &, \begin{cases} x = \frac{4}{3}, x = 2 \\ y = \frac{4}{3}, y = 2 \\ z = 5 - 2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = \frac{7}{3}, z = 5 - 2(2) = 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

respectively.

We have KKT points as

$\mathbf{x}^* \in \{\frac{1}{3}(7, 4, 4), \frac{1}{3}(4, 7, 4), \frac{1}{3}(4, 4, 7), (1, 2, 2), (2, 1, 2), (2, 2, 1)\}$, we verify feasibility,

$$\begin{aligned} (7/3)^2 + (4/3)^2 + (4/3)^2 &= 9 \text{ (Feasible)}, \\ (1)^2 + (2)^2 + (2)^2 &= 9 \text{ (Feasible)} \end{aligned}$$

and duality gap,

$$\begin{aligned}
-V(7/3, 4/3, 4/3) &= -V(4/3, 7/3, 4/3) = -V(4/3, 4/3, 7/3) \\
&= -\frac{7}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{3} = -\frac{112}{27} \approx -4.1481 \\
&= \theta(\lambda_2 = 4/3) = -\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3 + 5\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 - 8\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
-V(1, 2, 2) &= -V(2, 1, 2) = -V(2, 2, 1) = -1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = -4 \\
&= \theta(\lambda_2 = 2) = -(2)^3 + 5(2)^2 - 8(2)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence the optimal global minimizers for $-V(\mathbf{x})$ are $(7/3, 4/3, 4/3)$, $(4/3, 7/3, 4/3)$, $(4/3, 4/3, 7/3)$ □