S&DS 365 Homework 5 Solutions

Yale University, Department of Statistics
April 19, 2021

Problem 1: Gradients

a)

$$trAC^{T} = \sum_{i} (AC^{T})_{i,i}$$
$$= \sum_{i} \sum_{l} A_{i,l} C_{l,i}^{T}$$
$$= \sum_{i} \sum_{l} A_{i,l} C_{i,l}$$

b)

$$f(v) = \sum_{i} v_i^3$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_i} f(v) = 3v_i^2$$
$$\nabla f(v) = 3v^2$$

c)

$$f(\beta) = \sum_{i} (x_i^T \beta - y_i)^3$$
$$\nabla f(\beta) = \sum_{i} \nabla (x_i^T \beta - y_i)^3$$
$$= \sum_{i} 3(x_i^T \beta - y_i)^2 x_i$$

let $\epsilon_i = 3(x_i^T \beta - y_i)^2$ then we have

$$\sum_{i} \epsilon_{i} x_{i} = X^{T} \epsilon = X^{T} (3(X\beta - Y)^{2})$$

d)

USe product rule and examples above. Recall,

$$\nabla_A \operatorname{tr}(AB^T) = B$$
$$\nabla_A \operatorname{tr}(BA^T) = B$$

$$\nabla f(A) = \nabla_{A_1} (A_1 C A_2^T) + \nabla_{A_2} (A_1 C A_2^T)|_{A_1 = A_2 = A}$$
 by applying product rule
$$= A_2 C^T + A_1 C|_{A_1 = A_2 = A}$$
$$= A C^T + A C$$

OR

$$f(A) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (ACA^{T})_{i,i} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{l=1}^{n} (A_{i,l}(CA^{T})_{l,i})$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} (A_{i,l}C_{l,k}A_{i,k})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial A_{s,t}} f(A) = \frac{\partial}{\partial A_{s,t}} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} (A_{i,l}C_{l,k}A_{i,k})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} C_{l,k}A_{i,k}1_{i=s,l=t} + A_{i,l}C_{l,k}1_{i=s,k=t}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} C_{t,k}A_{s,k} + \sum_{l=1}^{n} C_{l,t}A_{s,l}$$

$$= [AC^{T}]_{s,t} + [AC]_{s,t}$$

implies same result $\nabla_A f(A) = AC^T + AC$.

Problem 2: Exponential families

a)

$$h(y) = 1_{y \in \{0,1\}}$$

$$T(y) = y$$

$$A(\theta) = \log(1 + e^{\theta})$$

b)

$$p(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x^2 - 2xy + y^2)\right)$$

$$h(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-\frac{y^2}{\sigma^2})$$
$$T(y) = \frac{y}{\sigma^2}$$
$$A(\theta) = \frac{\theta^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

c)

$$A'(\theta) = \frac{e^{\theta}}{1 + e^{\theta}}$$

$$E_{\theta}(Y) = P_{\theta}(Y = 1) = \frac{e^{\theta}}{1 + e^{\theta}}$$

d)

$$\nabla \log(L(\theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i - \frac{e^{\theta}}{1 + e^{\theta}} = 0$$

$$n \frac{e^{\theta}}{1 + e^{\theta}} = \sum_{i} y_i$$

$$\frac{e^{\theta}}{1 + e^{\theta}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i} y_i = \bar{y}$$

$$e^{\theta} = (1 - e^{\theta})\bar{y}$$

$$e^{\theta}(1 - \bar{y}) = \bar{y}$$

$$\theta = \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{1 - \bar{y}}$$

e)

$$p(y)h(y)\exp(\theta^T T(y) - A(\theta))$$
$$\ln p(y) = \ln h(y) + \theta^T - A(\theta)$$

for n iid samples we have

$$p(y_{[1,\dots,n]}|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(y_i)$$
$$l(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln p(y_i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln h(y_i) + \theta^T T(y_i) - A(\theta)$$
$$\nabla l(\theta) = (\sum_{i=1}^{n} T(y_i)) - n \nabla A(\theta)$$

at the MLE we have $\nabla l(\hat{\theta}) = 0$ so we have

$$0 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} T(y_i)\right) - n\nabla A(\hat{\theta})$$
$$\nabla A(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} T(y_i)$$

Problem 3: eneralized Linear Models and Gradient Descent

a)

$$p(y_{[1,\dots,n]}|\theta,x_{[1,\dots,n]}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(y_i|x_i,\theta)$$
$$-l(\theta) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln p(y_i|x_i,\theta)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} -\ln h(y_i) - y_i \langle x_i,\theta \rangle + A(\langle x_i,\theta \rangle)$$

b)

Take gradient

$$\nabla - l(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} -y_i x_i + A'(\langle x_i, \theta \rangle x_i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i (A'(\langle x_i, \theta \rangle) - y_i)$$

c)

$$A'(s) = \frac{e^s}{1 + e^s}$$

$$A'(\langle \theta, x \rangle) - y_i = \frac{e^{\langle x_i, \theta \rangle}}{1 + e^{\langle x_i, \theta \rangle}} - y_i$$
$$= P[y_i = 1 | x_i, \theta] - y_i$$

here we are comparing the probability that $y_i = 1$ to the actual outcome of y_i . So if y_i is likely to be 1 and the probability is high, this difference will be small. However if y_i is likely to be one and is zero, the difference will be large.

d)

$$\theta_k = \theta_{k-1} - \eta_k x_{J_k} (x_{J_k}^T \theta_{k-1} - y_{J_k})$$

e)

Still for $A(s) = \frac{s^2}{2}$, A'(s) = s.

$$\begin{split} &|x_{J_k}^T \theta_k - y_{J_k}| \\ &= |x_{J_K}^T (\theta_{k-1} - \eta_k x_{J_k} (x_{J_k}^T \theta_{k-1} - y_{J_k})) - y_{J_k}| \\ &= |x_{J_k}^T \theta_{k-1} - \frac{1}{10} (x_{J_k}^T \theta_{k-1} - y_{J_k}) - y_{J_k}| \\ &= \frac{9}{10} |x_{J_k}^T \theta_{k-1} - y_{J_k}| \\ &\leq |x_{J_k}^T \theta_{k-1} - y_{J_k}| \end{split}$$

strict if $x_{J_k}^T \theta_{k-1} \neq y_{J_k}$.