CS5489 Lecture 2.2: Logistic Regression

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Classification with Generative Models

- Steps to build a classifier
 - Collect training data (features \mathbf{x} and class labels y)
 - 2 Learn class-conditional distribution, $p(\mathbf{x}|y)$
 - 3 Use Bayes' rule to calculate class probability, $p(y|\mathbf{x})$
- **Note**: The data is used to learn the class-conditional distribution; the classifier is secondary
 - Density estimation is an "ill-posed" problem which density to use? how much data is needed?
- Advice from Vladimir Vapnik (inventor of SVM)

When solving a problem, try to avoid solving a more general problem as an intermediate step

- Discriminative solution
 - Solve for the classifier $p(y|\mathbf{x})$ directly!

Terminology

- "Discriminative" learn to directly discriminate the classes apart using the features
- "Generative" learn models of how the features are generated from different classes

Linear Classifier

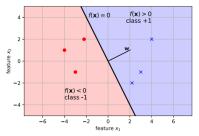
- Setup
 - **Observation** (feature vectors) $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N$
 - Class $y \in \{-1, +1\}$
- Goal
 - Calculate a linear function of the feature vector **x**:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i x_i + b$$

- $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ is the weight vector of the linear function
- Multiply each feature value with a weight, and then add together
- Predict from the value:
 - If $f(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ then predict Class y = 1
 - If $f(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ then predict Class y = -1
 - Equivalently, y = sign(f(x)) 阶跃函数

Geometric Interpretation

- The linear classifier separates the feature space into 2 half-spaces
 - Each corresponds to feature values belonging to Class +1 and Class −1
 - The class boundary is normal (orthogonal or perpendicular) to w
 - Also called the separating hyperplane
- **Example:** $\mathbf{w} = [2, 1]^T, b = 0$



Separating Hyperplane

- In an *N*-dimensional feature space, the parameters are $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N$
- The equation $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = 0$ defines an N 1-dimensional linear surface:
 - For N = 2, w defines a 1-D line
 - For N = 3, w defines a 2-D plane
 - **...**
 - In general, we call it a hyperplane

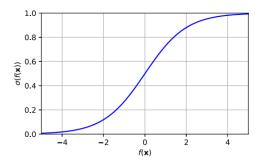
Learning the Classifier

- How to set the classifier parameters (\mathbf{w}, b) ?
 - Learn them from training data!
- Classifiers differ in the objectives used to learn the parameters (w, b)
 - We will look at two examples:
 - Logistic regression

- 为什么是并列关系??
- Support vector machine (SVM)

Logistic Regression

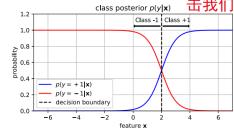
- Logistic regression takes a probabilistic approach 概率方法
- Need to map the function value $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b$ to a probability value between 0 and 1
 - Sigmoid function maps from real number to interval [0, 1]
 - $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$, for $z \in \mathbb{R}$



Logistic Regression

- \blacksquare Given a feature vector \mathbf{x} , the probability of a class is
 - $p(y = +1|\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(f(\mathbf{x}))$
 - $p(y = -1|\mathbf{x}) = 1 \sigma(f(\mathbf{x})) = \sigma(-f(\mathbf{x}))$
 - Equivalently, $p(y|\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(yf(\mathbf{x}))$
- Note: here we are directly modeling the class posterior probability! 对后验概率建模,而不是
 - Not the class-conditional $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})$

对类条件概率建模,更直击我们的目标



- Given the data set $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), i = 1, \dots, M\}$, learn the function parameters (\mathbf{w}, b) using MLE
- Maximize the conditional log likelihood of the data \mathcal{D} :

$$(\mathbf{w}^{\star}, b^{\star}) = \underset{\mathbf{w}, b}{\operatorname{arg max}} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \log p(y^{(i)} | \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{w}; b)$$
 类条件概率

$$= \underset{\mathbf{w}, b}{\operatorname{arg max}} - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \log \left(1 + \exp \left(-y^{(i)} (\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b) \right) \right)$$

- To prevent **overfitting**, add a prior distribution on w
 - Assume Gaussian distribution on $p(\mathbf{w})$ with variance C/2

$$p(\mathbf{w}) \propto \exp(-\frac{1}{C}\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w})$$

Now maximize

$$(\mathbf{w}^*, \mathbf{b}^*) = \arg\max_{\mathbf{w}, b} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \log p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y}^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}^{(i)}; b)$$
带*表示最优参值
$$= \arg\max_{\mathbf{w}, b} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \log \frac{p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{y}^{(i)}|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}; b)}{p(\mathbf{y}^{(i)}|\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}$$

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■ Equivalently,

$$(\mathbf{w}^{\star}, b^{\star}) = \underset{\mathbf{w}, b}{\operatorname{arg \, min}} \frac{1}{C} \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{w} + \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \log \left(1 + \exp \left(-y^{(i)} (\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b) \right) \right)$$

- The first term is the regularization term
 - Note: $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} = \sum_{j=1}^N w_j^2$ 模型参数
 - Penalty term keeps entries in w from getting too large
 - C is the regularization hyperparameter
 - Larger C values allow large values in w
 - Smaller C values discourage large values in w

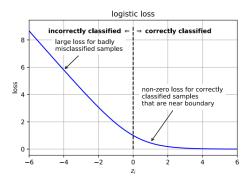
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- The second term is the data-fit term
 - Wants to make the parameters (\mathbf{w}, b) to well fit the data
 - Defining $z^{(i)} = y^{(i)} f(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})$, we have the following interesting observation
 - $\mathbf{z}^{(i)} > 0$, when sample $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ is classified correctly
 - $\mathbf{z}^{(i)} < 0$, when sample $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ is classified incorrectly
 - $\mathbf{z}^{(i)} = 0$, when sample $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ is on classifier boundary

Logistic Loss Function

Definition

$$L(z) = \log(1 + \exp(-z))$$



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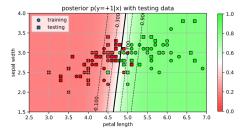
- **No closed-form solution** (i.e., no simple one-line equation to solve for (\mathbf{w}, b))
 - Use an iterative optimization algorithm to find the optimal solution
 - E.g., gradient descent step downhill in each iteration
 - $\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} \eta \frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$
 - ℓ is the objective function 目标函数
 - \blacksquare η is the **learning rate** (how far to step in each iteration)

Example: Iris Data

■ Equation:

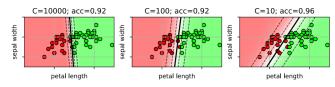
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = 4.87 \times \text{petal_length} - 0.62 \times \text{sepal_width} - 21.68$$

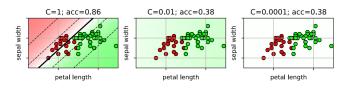
- Interpretation: 解释
 - Large petal length makes $f(\mathbf{x})$ positive, so large petal length is associated with Class +1



Selecting the Regularization Hyperparameter

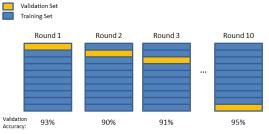
- The regularization hyperparameter *C* has a big effect on the decision boundary and the accuracy
- How to select the value of *C*?





Cross-Validation

- Use **cross-validation** on **training** set to select the best value of C
- Run many experiments on the training set to see which parameters work on different versions of the data
- 动词时, 分割 Partition the data into folds of training and validation data Try a range of C values on each fold (as validation set)
 - Pick the value that works best over all folds

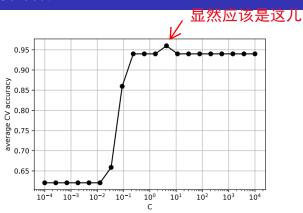


Final Accuracy = Average(Round 1, Round 2, ...)

Cross-Validation

- Procedure
 - Select a range of *C* values to try
 - 2 Repeat *K* rounds
 - Split the training set into training data and validation data
 - 2 Learn a classifier for each value of C
 - 3 Record the accuracy on the validation data for each C
 - 3 Select the value of that has the highest average accuracy over all *K* rounds
 - 4 Retrain the classifier using all data and the selected C

Which *C* to Select?



Multiclass Classification

- So far, we have only learned a classifier for 2 classes $\{-1, 1\}$
 - Called a binary classifier
- For more than 2 classes, split the problem into several binary classifier problems

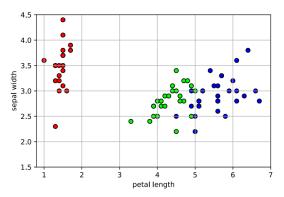
One-vs-rest

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- Training: for each class, train a classifier for that class versus the other classes
 - For example, if there are 3 classes, then train 3 binary classifiers: 1 vs {2,3}; 2 vs {1,3}; 3 vs {1,2}
- Prediction: calculate probability for each binary classifier. Select the class with the highest probability

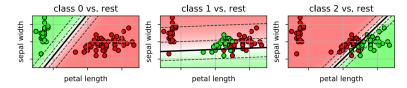
Example on 3-Class Iris Data

 $\mathbf{y} = \{\text{"setosa"}, \text{"versicolor"}, \text{"virginica"}\}$

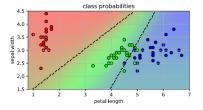


Example on 3-Class Iris Data

■ The individual 1-vs-rest binary classifiers



■ The final classifier, combining all 1-vs-rest classifiers



Multiclass Logistic Regression

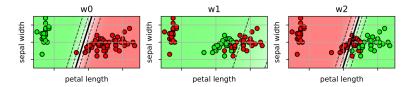
- Another way to get a multi-class classifier is to define a multi-class objective
 - One weight vector \mathbf{w}_c for each Class c
 - We omit the bias b_c for each class for notation simplicity
- Define probabilities with **softmax** function
 - Analogous to sigmoid function for binary logistic regression

$$p(y = c|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_c^T \mathbf{x})}{\exp(\mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{x}) + \dots + \exp(\mathbf{w}_C^T \mathbf{x})}$$

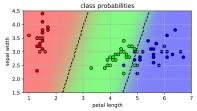
- The class with the largest response of $\mathbf{w}_c^T \mathbf{x}$ will have the highest probability
- Estimate the $\{\mathbf{w}_c\}_{c=1}^C$ parameters using MLE as before

Multiclass Logistic Regression on 3-Class Iris Data

■ The "binary" classifiers based on individual weight vectors



■ Individual weight vectors work together to partition the space



Geometry

- Logistic regression is explicitly designed to have a linear decision boundary in the binary case
- In the multiclass case, the decision boundary is piece-wise linear

分段线性决策边界

Logistic Regression Versus NB and LDA

- Speed: Learning logistic regression requires iterative numerical optimization, which will be slower than NB and LDA
- Storage: The model requires O(N) parameters, the same order as NB, but much less than LDA's $O(N^2)$
- Interpretability: The "importance" of feature x_j can be understood in terms of the corresponding learned weight w_j

Logistic Regression Summary

- Classifier:
 - Linear function $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b$
 - \blacksquare Given a feature vector \mathbf{x} , the probability of a class is

$$p(y = +1|\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(f(\mathbf{x})), p(y = -1|\mathbf{x}) = 1 - \sigma(f(\mathbf{x}))$$

- Sigmoid function: $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$
- Logistic loss function: $L(z) = \log(1 + \exp(-z))$ **z就是代入**f(x)
- Training:
 - Maximize the likelihood of the training data
 - Use regularization to prevent overfitting
 - Use cross-validation to pick the regularization hyperparameter C
- Classification:
 - Given a new sample \mathbf{x}^* , pick class with the highest $p(y|\mathbf{x}^*)$

$$y^* = \begin{cases} +1, & \frac{p(y=+1|\mathbf{x}^*)}{p(y=-1|\mathbf{x}^*)} > 1\\ -1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ or } y^* = \begin{cases} +1, & f(\mathbf{x}^*) > 0\\ -1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = \text{sign}(f(\mathbf{x}^*))$$