Artificial Intelligence - Spring 2019

Assignment #1: Regression Due Date: 2019, June 5th

In order to do this assignment, you have to go through regression theories and concepts. In this assignment, you're provided with 2 identical datasets, one normal and one with some outliers. The datasets include information about height, weight and sex (label) of some random people.

Part A: Linear Regression

Datasets: Data_Normal.txt, Data_With_Outlier.txt

In this assignment, you need to implement **closed form solution**, **stochastic gradient descent** (2000 epochs) and **batch gradient descent** (2000 epochs) algorithms for linear regression on heights (X) and weights (Y). Please perform the following tasks:

- 1. Normalize the datasets so that the values of each feature change between 0 (for min. value of the feature) and 1 (for max. value of the feature). Note that this task is very important for the desired results of the upcoming tasks.
- 2. Train each model separately on the normalized datasets and plot the datasets alongside with the obtained regression model. For these plots, the X axis should be the height feature and the Y axis should be the weight feature. In addition, you should discriminate males and females by using different colors.
- 3. Report your choice of the parameter "*Learning Rate*" for each model and explain the effects of changing this parameter.
- 4. One of these datasets have some outliers. Does it affect the robustness of the model? Explain.
- 5. Plot $J(\theta)$ in terms of $\theta 1$ in [-2:2] and $\theta 2$ in [-2:2]. (a 3D figure)
- 6. Explain what does the normalization process do? When would it be useful to normalize the data?

Part B: Weighted Linear Regression

Datasets: Data_With_Outlier.txt

The effect of outliers on linear regression method have been analyzed in the previous part. Here, you have to apply weighted linear regression on the dataset which includes outliers.

- 1. Derive the closed form solution for weighted linear regression(WLR).
- 2. Propose a weighting function which decreases the effect of outliers with a formula. Explain why it could be appropriate.
- 3. Normalize the dataset (similar to the previous part).
- 4. Apply weighted linear regression using your suggested weighting function and find:
 - a. The closed form solution.
 - b. Batch gradient descent solution (2000 epochs).
- 5. Plot the outlier dataset and the models obtained from both the previous and the current part on the same figure. Compare the results of parts A and B. (2 figures)
- 6. When and how does WLR work better than simple linear regression?

Notes:

- Your implementation should be functional.
- Prepare your full report in PDF format and include the figures and the answer of the asked questions.
- The allowed programming languages are any language and feel free but my suggestion is Matlab (easy for matrix and vector) or Python
- Assume each row to be a sample in your implementation
- Submit your assignment using a zipped file with the name of "Name_Familyname_ StdNum.zip" to compuscien@gmail.com with AI-HW#1 subject.