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CS6923 Homework Assignment 4*

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(a): According to the definition:
$$E_{ridge} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^{2} + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{d} w_{j}^{2}$$
$$= \|\mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|_{2}^{2}$$
$$= (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y})^{T} (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{w}$$

So the gradient is $\nabla E_{\text{ridge}} = 2(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}) + 2\lambda \mathbf{I} \mathbf{w}$

(b): If we should set the gradient to $0: \nabla E_{ridge} = 0$

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} + \lambda \mathbf{I} \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

where
$$\mathbf{I}^{(d+1)\times(d+1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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(a): Let's make clear the definitions first. The size of D_{val} is K. Let μ be the true error of g_h , v is the average error on D_{val} . For every single input $x^{(i)}$ in validation set, we have an expected value $y^{(i)}$. Since we are doing a binary classification, [a, b] is equivalent to [0, 1]. At last, according to the Hoeffding inequality, we have:

$$P[|v - \mu| > \varepsilon] \le 2e^{-\frac{2\varepsilon^2 K}{(b-a)^2}}$$

When $\varepsilon = 0.1$, K=100, b=1, a=0 we have:

$$P[|v - \mu| > 0.1] \le 2e^{-\frac{2 \times (0.1)^2 \times 100}{(1)^2}} \approx 0.27$$

So we have a probability of 1 - 0.27 = 0.73 that the true error of h is within 0.1 of its average error on D_{val} .

(b): Like what we did in part (a), we have:

$$P[|v - \mu| > 0.1] \le 2e^{-\frac{2 \times (0.1)^2 \times 200}{(1)^2}} \approx 0.037$$

So we have a probability of 1 - 0.037 = 0.963 that the true error of h is within 0.1 of its average error on D_{val} .

(c): We want to calculate the probability that the differences between the average error and the true error for both models are less than 0.1.

 $P[|v-\mu|]$ of any one of the models we choose is greater than 0.1]

 $\leq P[\left|v_1-\mu_1\right| \text{ of model}_1 \text{ is greater than } 0.1] + P[\left|v_2-\mu_2\right| \text{ of model}_2 \text{ is greater than } 0.1]$

$$\leq 2e^{-\frac{2\times(0.1)^2\times100}{1^2}} + 2e^{-\frac{2\times(0.1)^2\times100}{1^2}} \approx 0.54$$

Thus we have a probability of 1 - 0.54 = 0.46 that the model selected is within 0.1 of its average error on D_{val} .

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In this question, since we assume that w_i for i = 1...d are independent, identically and distributed according to a gaussian distribution, $w_i \sim N(0, \rho^2)$ for i = 1...d. Then we have:

$$P(\mathbf{w}) = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\rho^2}})^d \exp(\sum_{j=1}^d \frac{-(w^{(i)})^2}{2\rho^2})$$

Thus, we will have a new \mathbf{w}_{MAP} :

$$\mathbf{w}_{MAP} = \arg\max_{\mathbf{w}} \prod_{i=1}^{N} p(\mathbf{y}^{(i)} \mid \mathbf{x}^{(i)}; \mathbf{w}) p(\mathbf{w})$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{N} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \frac{-(\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\rho^2}} \right)^d \exp(\sum_{j=1}^{d} \frac{-(w^{(i)})^2}{2\rho^2})$$

Note that maximizing this value is the same as maximizing $\ell(\mathbf{w}) = \log L(\mathbf{w})$:

$$\ell(\mathbf{w}) = \log(\prod_{i=1}^{N} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \frac{-(\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^2}{2\sigma^2} \right] \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\rho^2}} \right)^d \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{d} \frac{-(w^{(i)})^2}{2\rho^2} \right)$$

$$= \mathbf{N} \times \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} -(\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^2 + d \times \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\rho^2}} + \frac{1}{2\rho^2} \sum_{j=1}^{d} -(w^{(i)})^2$$

This is the same as minimizing the following equation:

$$\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\rho^2} \sum_{j=1}^{d} (w^{(i)})^2 \right]$$

Compared to the Ridge Regression L_2 regularization, the ridge regression estimate is the MAP estimate, where \mathbf{w} has the prior distribution as described in the question and

$$\lambda = \frac{\sigma^2}{\rho^2} .$$