Regularization

1. Overfitting

- Underfitting, or high bias, is when the form of our hypothesis function h maps **poorly** to the trend of the data.
- Overfitting, or high variance, is caused by a hypothesis function that fits the available data but does not generalize well to predict new data.

Addressing

- Reduce the number of features (manually select, model selection).
- Regularization (keep all the features, but reduce the magnitude of parameters).

2. Regularized Linear Regression

$$\min_\theta \frac{1}{2m}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{m}(h_\theta(x^{(i)})-y^{(i)})^2+\lambda\sum_{j=1}^{n}\theta_j^2\right],\ \text{where } h_\theta(x)=\theta^T x$$

- Normal equation

$$\theta=(X^TX+\lambda\cdot L)^{-1}X^Ty \text{where } L=\begin{bmatrix}0 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1\end{bmatrix}$$

Prove.

$$\begin{cases}\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_j}J(\theta)=\frac{1}{m}\sum_{k=1}^{m}(\theta^Tx^{(k)}-y^{(k)})x_j^{(k)} & (j=0)\\ \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_j}J(\theta)=\frac{1}{m}\sum_{k=1}^{m}(\theta^Tx^{(k)}-y^{(k)})x_j^{(k)}+\frac{\lambda}{m}\theta_j & (j\in N^+)\end{cases}\Rightarrow\nabla_\theta J(\theta)=\frac{1}{m}(X^TX\theta-X^Ty)+\frac{\lambda}{m}L\theta$$

3. Regularized Logistic Regression

$$\min_\theta\left[-\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(y^{(i)}\log h_\theta(x^{(i)})+(1-y^{(i)})\log(1-h_\theta(x^{(i)}))\right)+\frac{\lambda}{2m}\sum_{j=1}^{n}\theta_j^2\right]$$

4. MLE & MAP

Preliminaries

- Assume data are generated via $d\sim p(d;\theta)$
- $D=\{d^{(i)}\}_{i=1,2,\cdots,m}$, where $d^{(i)}$ is i.i.d. (independent of others and same distribution).
- **Goal**: Estimate parameter θ that best models the data.

Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

- Likelihood: $L(\theta) = p(D;\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{m} p(d^{(i)};\theta)$
- MLE typically maximizes the **log-likelihood** $l(\theta)$.
- $\theta_{MLE} = \arg\max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log p(d^{(i)};\theta)$

Maximum-a-Posteriori Estimation (MAP)

- Posterior probability of θ is $p(\theta|D) = \frac{p(\theta)p(D|\theta)}{p(D)}$
- $p(\theta)$ is prior prbability of θ, where $p(D)$ is probability of the data.
- MAP usually maximizes the **log** of the posteriori probability
- $\theta_{MAP} = \arg\max_{\theta} \left(\log p(\theta) + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log p(d^{(i)}|\theta)\right)$

Linear Regression

1. MLE

- Suppose $y^{(i)} = \theta^T x^{(i)} + \epsilon^{(i)}$, where $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \delta^2)$
- $p(x) = \dfrac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\, e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$
- $\theta_{MLE} = \arg\min_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - \theta^T x^{(i)})^2$

2. MAP

- Suppose $\theta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda^2 I)$
- $\log\, p(\theta) = n\log\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\lambda} - \frac{\theta^T\theta}{2\lambda^2}$
- $\theta_{MAP} = \arg\min_{\theta} \left\{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - \theta^T x^{(i)})^2 + \frac{\theta^T\theta}{2\lambda^2}\right\}$

3. MLE vs MAP

- MLE (unregularized solution) vs MAP (regularized solution)
- The prior distribution acts as a regularizer in MAP estimation

Logistic Regression

Similar conclusion as above.