INFO251 - Applied Machine Learning

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Announcements

- PS4 posted, due Monday March 12. Start early!
- Quiz 1 solutions in lecture tomorrow

Today's Topics

- 1. Putting it all together: training an ML algorithm from scratch
- 2. Common loss functions
- 3. Practice
 - Bivariate OLS, squared error loss
 - Multivariate OLS, squared error loss
 - Multivariate OLS, squared error loss with Ridge regularization
- 4. Cross validation for optimal regularization parameter

Training ML Algorithms

Table 1: The three components of learning algorithms.

Representation	Evaluation	Optimization
Instances	Accuracy/Error rate	Combinatorial optimization
K-nearest neighbor	Precision and recall	Greedy search
Support vector machines	Squared error	Beam search
Hyperplanes	Likelihood	Branch-and-bound
Naive Bayes	Posterior probability	Continuous optimization
Logistic regression	Information gain	Unconstrained
Decision trees	K-L divergence	Gradient descent
Sets of rules	Cost/Utility	Conjugate gradient
Propositional rules	Margin	Quasi-Newton methods
Logic programs		Constrained
Neural networks		Linear programming
Graphical models		Quadratic programming
Bayesian networks		
Conditional random fields		

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Training ML Algorithms (Linear Models)

- 1. Define a model
- 2. Define a loss function
 - Add regularization to the loss function [find optimal parameter]
- 3. Optimization
 - Gradient Descent [batch size, step size / learning rate, stopping rule]

1. Define a Model

- For today: **Linear regression models**, of the form $y = \theta x$
 - Multivariate models: $y = \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3$
 - Nonlinearities: $y = \theta_k x^k$
 - Interaction terms: $y = \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_1 x_2$

2. Define a Loss Function

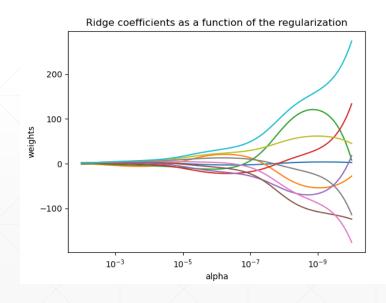
- Common loss functions for regression:
 - Squared error loss: $J(y, \hat{y}) = (y \hat{y})^2$
 - Absolute error loss: $J(y, \hat{y}) = |y \hat{y}|$
- Common loss functions for binary classification:
 - Logistic loss: $J(y, \hat{p}) = -(y \log(\hat{p}) + (1 y)\log(1 \hat{p}))$
 - Hinge loss: $J(y, \hat{p}) = \max(0, 1 \hat{p}y)$
- Common loss functions for multivariate classification:
 - Cross-entropy loss: $J(y, \hat{p}) = \sum_{c=1}^{M} y_c \log(\hat{p}_c)$

3. Optionally Add Regularization to the Loss

• LASSO:
$$J(\theta) += \|\theta\|_1 = \sum_{j=1}^k |\theta_k|$$



Ridge:
$$J(\theta) += \|\theta\|_2 = \sum_{j=1}^k \theta_k^2$$



4. Gradient Descent

- Input:
 - parameters (θ)
 - gradient of the loss function with respect to the parameters $(d\theta)$,
 - learning rate (α)
- Update parameters: $\theta_{\text{new}} = \theta \alpha \times d\theta$
- Output: updated parameters (θ_{new})

Model: Linear regression (univariate)

Cost: Squared error

- Define the model
- 2. Define the loss function
- 3. Optionally add regularization to the loss function
- 4. Calculate partial derivatives
- 5. Write pseudocode

Model: Linear regression (multivariate)

Cost: Squared error

- 1. Define the model
- 2. Define the loss function
- 3. Optionally add regularization to the loss function
- 4. Calculate partial derivatives
- 5. Write pseudocode

Model: Linear regression (multivariate)

Cost: Squared error + Ridge regularization

- Define the model
- 2. Define the loss function
- 3. Optionally add regularization to the loss function
- 4. Calculate partial derivatives
- 5. Write pseudocode