



MACHINE LEARNING – HANOI 2019

Homework #2

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Problem 1. [*Logistic function*]

Let the logistic (sigmoid) function be

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}.$$

- (a) Show that $g(-z) = 1 - g(z), \forall z \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (b) Show that the inverse function of g is given by $g^{-1}(y) = \ln \frac{y}{1-y}, \forall y \in (0, 1)$.
- (c) Show that $g'(z) = g(z)(1 - g(z)), \forall z \in \mathbb{R}$.

Problem 2. [*Loss function of logistic regression*]

Consider training a logistic regression on the dataset $\{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m$ using the cross-entropy loss function

$$J(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = - \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log (1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})),$$

where the hypothesis is given by

$$h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}}.$$

- (a) Show that $J(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ is a convex function.

[*Hint: One way to show that a 1-D function is convex is to prove that its second derivatives is nonnegative. You may also want to use the fact that the composition of a convex function and a linear function is itself a convex function.*]

- (b) Show that the gradient of J is given by

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_j} = \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}, \quad \forall j = 0, 1, \dots, n.$$

Problem 3. [*Duality of SVM*]

Recall the definition of the Lagrangian of a (hard-margin) Support Vector Machine:

$$L(\mathbf{w}, b, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) := \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i [y^{(i)} (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b) - 1].$$

The dual problem is then defined as

$$d^* = \max_{\alpha_i \geq 0} \min_{\mathbf{w}, b} L(\mathbf{w}, b, \boldsymbol{\alpha}).$$

Show that d^* can be obtained by solving the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \quad & W(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m y^{(i)} y^{(j)} \alpha_i \alpha_j \langle \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{x}^{(j)} \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \alpha_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i y^{(i)} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4. [*Implementation of Softmax Regression and SVM*]

In this problem we use the Iris flower dataset¹ to classify 3 types of Iris: (0)-Setosa , (1)-Versicolour , and (2)-Virginica. See Fig. 1 for a visualization. The dataset contains 150 samples, each of which has 4 features: the length and the width of the sepals and petals. The ground-truth labels for all samples are also provided in the dataset. Submit a `.ipynb` file to address the following questions.

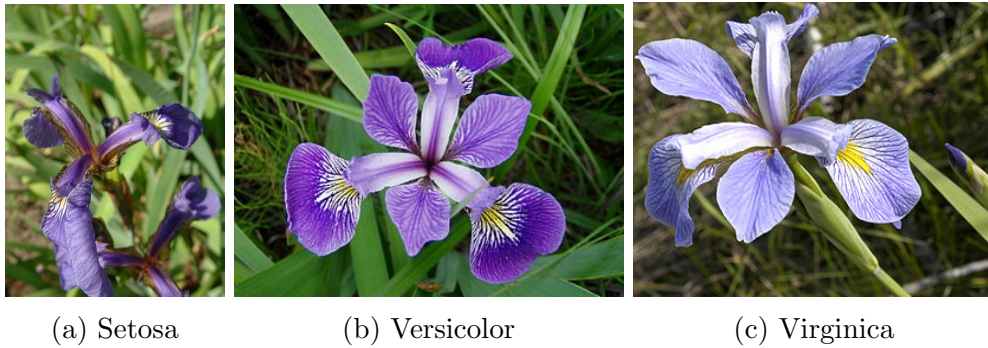


Figure 1: Examples of 3 types of Iris flowers. Source: Wikipedia.

- (a) Load the dataset using `sklearn` and *randomly* split it into 75 samples for training and 75 samples for testing with `random_state=0`.
- (b) Train a softmax regression using `sklearn` and report the accuracy and confusion matrix on the test set.
- (c) Repeat Part (b) with SVM and `linear` kernel (parameters of your choice).
- (d) Repeat Part (b) with SVM and a `poly` kernel (parameters of your choice).
- (e) Repeat Part (b) with SVM and `rbf` kernel (parameters of your choice).

¹Documentation: https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/datasets/plot_iris_dataset.html