

Machine Learning Handbook

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Part I

High-level Views

Chapter 1

Math Review

1.1 Linear Algebra

Concepts:

- scalar, vector, matrix, tensor(n-rank tensor, matrix is a rank 2 tensor)
- Gaussian Elimination, rank
- p-norm

$$|X|_p = \left(\sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

- inner product $\langle x_i, y_i \rangle$, outer product
- orthogonal dimension, basis, orthogonal basis
- linear transformation $Ax = y$
- eigenvalue, eigenvector $Ax = \lambda x$ (transformation and speed)
- vector space, linear space(with summation, scalar production), inner product space(inner product space)

1.2 Probability

Concepts:

- Classic Probability Model: Frequentist
- Bayesian Probability Theory
- Random variable, continuous RV, discrete RV, probability mass function, probability density function, cumulative density function
- Bernoulli distribution, Binomial distribution(n,p)

$$P(X = k) = \binom{N}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{(n-k)}$$

, Poisson distribution

$$P(X = k) = \lambda^k \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

- uniform distribution, exponential distribution

$$e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}, P(x > s + t | X > s) = P(x > t)$$

, normal distribution, t-distribution

- expectation, moments, variance, covariance, correlation coefficient

Theorems:

- Law of Total Probability
- Bayesian Theorem

$$P(H|D) = \frac{P(D|H)P(H)}{P(D)}$$

P(H)-prior probability, P(D—H)-likelihood, P(H—D)-posterior probability,

1.2.1 Important Distributions, Moment Generating Functions

1. Normal Distribution, See next chapter
2. Exponential Distribution $f_x(x, \theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x}$

1.3 Statistics

1.3.1 Concepts

- parameter(constant for probability model), statistic (model of sample data), data, sample, population
- point estimation, interval estimation, Confidence Interval(
 $P(L \leq \theta \leq U)$, notice: θ is not random, L, U is random! (We repeat constructing confidence interval a n times, α percent of the times, it will contain *theta*.
- Estimator and Estimation
 - Method of Moments: $E(X^k)$ based on LOLN.
 If We have p parameters, we can use p moments to form a system of equations to solve $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_p$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^j = E(X^j)$$

, for $j = 1, \dots, p$

- Maximum Likelihood Estimation. Multiply p.m.f/p.d.f since every sample is independent. Maximize the likelihood of finding samples.

$$l(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i} f_{x_i}(x_i; \theta), L(\theta) = \log l(\theta)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} f_x(x; \theta) = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} L(\theta)$$

Analytical or Numerically solved.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} [\log L(\theta)] = 0, \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta^2} [\log L(\theta)] < 0$$

, for multiple parameters, we need the Hessian matrix to be negative definite $x^t H x < 0, \forall x$

- Estimation criteria
 - Unbiased $E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$
 - Minimum Variance (MVUE, minimum variance unbiased estimator) $Var(\hat{\theta}) < Var(\theta')$
 - Efficient
 - Coherent
- Hypothesis test, type-I error(wrongly reject), type-II error(wrongly accept)

1.3.2 Important Distributions

1. Normal Distribution, $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ then

- (a) \bar{X} and s^2 are independent
- (b) $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$
- (c) $\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$
- (d) $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}}{\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}}} \sim t_{n-1}$

2. Multi-variate normal distribution

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right)$$

- (a) X_1, \dots, X_n normal $\Leftrightarrow (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is multivariate normal. (Not equivalent)
- (b) $E(X) = \mu, Var(X) = \Sigma$
- (c) Linear transformations $AX + b \sim N(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^T)$ remain multivariate normal
- (d) Marginals are multivariate normal, each sub-vector is multivariate normal, the parameters are just sub-matrices.
- (e) All conditionals are multivariate normal

3. t-distribution: like normal distribution, but heavier tails

- (a) $Z \sim N(0, 1), Y \sim \chi_\nu^2$, Z, Y independent,

$$X = Z/\sqrt{Y/\nu} \sim t_\nu$$

- (b) pdf has polynomial tails (decays much slower than exponential ones)
 (c) $\nu = 1$, it is the **Cauchy Distribution**, with very heavy tails (no expectation)
 (d) The MCF not exist. $E(|X|^k) < \infty$ for $k < \nu$, $E(|X|^k) = \infty$ for $k > \nu$
 (e) $X \sim t_\nu, E(X) = 0, Var(X) = \frac{\nu}{\nu-2}$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}$$

4. χ^2 distribution

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{(2^{k/2}\Gamma(k/2))} x^{\frac{k}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{x}{2}}, x \in [0, \infty) \sim Gamma(\frac{k}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$$

- (a) $E(X) = k, Var(X) = 2k, M_X(t) = (\frac{1}{1-2t})^{k/2}$
 (b) $X \sim N(0, 1) \Rightarrow X^2 \sim \chi^2, X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(0, 1) i.i.d \Rightarrow \sum X_i^2 \sim \chi^2$,

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}$$

1.3.3 Theorems

- Law of Large Number
- Central Limit Theorem
- Bias/Variance decomposition (error = bias + variance + noise)

$$\begin{aligned} MSE(\mu(X)) &= E[(Y - \hat{\mu}(X))^2] = E[(Y - f(x) + f(x) - \hat{\mu}(X))^2] \\ &= E[(Y - f(x))^2] + 2E[(Y - f(x))(f(x) - \hat{\mu}(X))] + E[(f(x) - \hat{\mu}(X))^2] \\ &= E[(Y - f(x))^2] + 2E[(Y - f(x))(f(x) - \hat{\mu}(X))] + (f(x) - \hat{\mu}(X))^2 \\ &= \sigma_x^2 + Bias(\hat{\mu}(X))^2 + Var(\hat{\mu}(X)) \end{aligned}$$

1.3.4 Practice/Examples

- sample mean(\bar{X}).is unbiased. Sample variance ($\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$) is unbiased. But sample std is not unbiased. $SE(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$
- $\hat{Cov}(X,Y) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{Y})$ is unbiased
- Distributions with Expectation not exist? (Cauchy)
- Common Confidence Intervals:
 μ : $P(-t_{\alpha/2,n-1} \leq \frac{\bar{X}-\mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} \leq t_{\alpha/2,n-1}) = 1 - \alpha$,
 σ : $P(a \leq \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \leq b) = 1 - \alpha$
- Solve MLE/MOM for beta, exponential ($n/\sum X_i$, normal

1.4 Optimization Theory

- Objective function/Evaluation function, constrained/unconstrained optimization Feasible Set, Optimal Solution, Optimal Value, Binding Constraints, Shadow Price, Infeasible Price, Infeasibility, Unboundedness
- Linear Programming
- Lagrange Multiplier

$$L(x, y, \lambda) = f(x, y) + \lambda \varphi(x, y)$$

- Convex Set, Convex Function $f : S \rightarrow R$ is convex if and only if $\nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x})$ is positive semidefinite

Optimization Methods:

- Linear Search Method: Direction First, Step Size second
 - Gradient Descent: Batch Processing(Use all samples) vs Stochastic Gradient Descent(Use one sample)
 - Newton's Method: Use Curvature Information

- Trust Region: Step first, direction second. Find optimal direction of second-order approximation. If the descent size is too small, make step size smaller.
- Heuristics Method
 - Genetic Algorithm
 - Simulated Annealing
 - Partical Swarming/Ant Colony Algorithm

Theorems:

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1.5 Information Theory

Concepts:

- Information

$$h(A) = -\log_2 p(A)$$

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- (Information Source) Entropy

$$H(X) = -\sum_{i=1}^n p(a_i) \log_2 p(a_i) \leq \log_2 n$$

Maximize under equal probability

- Conditional Entropy

$$\begin{aligned} H(Y|X) &= -\sum_{i=1}^n p(x_i) H(Y|X = x_i) = -\sum_{i=1}^n p(x_i) \sum_{j=1}^n p(y_j|x_i) \log_2 p(y_j|x_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p(x_i, y_j) \log_2 p(y_j|x_i) \end{aligned}$$

- Mutual Information/Information Gain

$$I(X;Y) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

- Kullback-Leibler Divergence (K-L) Divergence

$$D_{KL}(P||Q) = \sum_{i=1}^n p(x_i) \log_2 \frac{p(x_i)}{q(x_i)} \neq D_{KL}(Q||P)$$

Measures the Distance of two distributions. The optimal encoding of information has the same bits as the entropy. Measures the extra bits if the real distribution is q rather than p. (Using P to approximate Q)

Theorems:

- The Maximum Entropy Principle. Without extra assumption, max entropy/equal probability has the minimum prediction risk.

1.6 Formal Logic

Concepts

- Generative Expert System: Rule+Facts+Deduction Engine
- Godel's incompleteness theorems

Chapter 2

Computational Learning Theory

Part II

Supervised Learning Models

Chapter 3

Regression

3.1 Linear Regressions

3.1.1 Assumptions

Classic Assumptions for Statistics:

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3.1.2 Inteprataion

$$f(x) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

$$\mathbf{w}^* = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

RSS Approach:

MLE Approach

Assuming noise is normal, maximize

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \dots \mathbf{x}_n | \mathbf{w}) = \prod_k \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_k - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_k)^2\right]$$

3.1.3 Lasso-Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator

$$\min ||y_k - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_k||^2 + \lambda ||\mathbf{w}||_1$$

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