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1 Introduction

$f(\omega') = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + \exp(-y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))) + \lambda \|\omega\|_2^2$, where $\omega' = [\omega_0; \omega]$ is the vertical concatenation of the bias and the feature coefficients.

The gradient of the loss function with respect to ω' can be computed as:

$$\nabla f(\omega') = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0} \\ \frac{\partial f(\omega')}{\partial \omega} \end{bmatrix}$$

Where $\frac{\partial f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0}$ and $\frac{\partial f(\omega')}{\partial \omega}$ can be computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-y_i \exp(-y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{1 + \exp(-y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-y_i}{1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))} \\ \frac{\partial f(\omega')}{\partial \omega} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-y_i x_i \exp(-y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{1 + \exp(-y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-y_i x_i}{1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))} + 2\lambda\omega \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the gradient of the loss function with respect to ω' is:

$$\nabla f(\omega') = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-y_i}{1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-y_i x_i}{1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))} + 2\lambda\omega \end{bmatrix}$$

To compute the Hessian matrix, we need to find the following partial derivatives:

$$\nabla^2 f(\omega') = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0 \partial \omega} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega \partial \omega_0} & \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Where $\frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0^2}$, $\frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0 \partial \omega}$, $\frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega \partial \omega_0}$, and $\frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega^2}$ can be computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0^2} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega_0 \partial \omega} &= \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega \partial \omega_0} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i x_i \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f(\omega')}{\partial \omega^2} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 x_i x_i^T \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} + 2\lambda \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the Hessian matrix of the loss function with respect to ω' is (There is a transpose on x in the second element because the hessian matrix is a square matrix):

$$\nabla^2 f(\omega') = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} & \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 x_i^T \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 x_i \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} & \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 x_i x_i^T \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} + 2\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

To argue the logistic regression optimization problem is a convex optimization problem, we can rewrite the hessian matrix as $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i^T \\ x_i & x_i x_i^T \end{bmatrix} +$

$$2\lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_i \end{bmatrix}$, we can easily decompose $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i^T \\ x_i & x_i x_i^T \end{bmatrix}$ since $AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i^T \end{bmatrix}$. By multiplying A with the square root of $\frac{1}{n} \frac{y_i^2 \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2}$, we know $\frac{1}{n} \frac{y_i^2 \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i^T \\ x_i & x_i x_i^T \end{bmatrix}$ is positive semi-definite. Since the sum of PSD matrix is PSD, we have $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i^T \\ x_i & x_i x_i^T \end{bmatrix}$ as a PSD matrix. Since $2\lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is a diagonal matrix and has all of its values positive, it is also a positive semi-definite matrix. Since the sum of positive semi-definite matrices are positive semi-definite, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i))}{(1 + \exp(y_i(\omega_0 + \omega^T x_i)))^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i^T \\ x_i & x_i x_i^T \end{bmatrix} +$

$$2\lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a positive semi-definite matrix. Since the hessian is PSD, we can conclude the logistic regression optimization problem is convex.