

Quiz 1

Week 1, Sep/7/2022

CS 280: Fall 2022

Instructor: Lan Xu

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

On your left: \_\_\_\_\_

On your right: \_\_\_\_\_

---

**Instructions:**

Please answer the questions below. Show all your work. . NO discussion/collaboration is allowed.

**Problem 1.** (10 points) **variance and Conditional probability.**

(a) Assume  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are independent random variables, show that  $\text{var}(x_1 + x_2 \dots + x_n) = \text{var}(x_1) + \text{var}(x_2) + \dots \text{var}(x_n)$

(b)  $C = \{C_1, C_2 \dots C_n\}$  show that  $P(C_i | A, B) = \frac{P(C_i, B | A)}{\sum_i P(C_i, B | A)}$

**Problem 2.** (10 points) *Learning basics.* Consider Ridge regression

$$L(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \|\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i - y_i\|^2 + \lambda \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}$$

- (a) Show that its optimal weight  $\mathbf{w}^* = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T Y$  with properly defined  $X$  and  $Y$ .
- (b) (bonus 10 points) Provide a probabilistic formulation of the objective function using the Bayesian Theorem.

**Problem 3.** (10 points) *Gradient.* Let  $\sigma(a) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-a}}$  be an activation function, and  $f(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{i=1}^n [y_i \log(\mu_i) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - \mu_i)]$ , where  $\mu_i = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i)$ .

(a) Compute  $\frac{d}{d\mathbf{w}} f(\mathbf{w})$ .

(b) (bonus 10 points) Show that  $f(\mathbf{w})$  is convex.

**Problem 4.** (10 points) *Python Programming.* Consider estimating the model parameter  $w$  in **Problem 3** through minimizing  $f(w)$ . We will use gradient descent to achieve this. Specifically, assume we have a set of data  $X = [x_i]_{i=1}^n$  and their corresponding target  $Y = [y_i]_{i=1}^n$ . Our predictor is defined by  $\sigma(a)$  and the loss function is defined by  $f(w)$  as in **Problem 3**.

Below we have provided an outline and you need to fill in the missing part.

```
import numpy as np

N, D_in, D_out = 64, 1000, 1

# random data generation
x = np.random.randn(N, D_in)
y = np.random.randn(N, D_out)

# randomly initialize weights
w = (_____)

# set up learning rate
lr = 1e-6

# iterative gradient descent
for it in range(500):
    # forward pass
    h = (_____)
    y_pred = (_____)

    # compute loss
    loss = (_____)

    # compute gradient
    grad_y_pred = (_____)
    grad_w = (_____)

    # update w
    (_____)

# (Bonus 5 points): Write test procedure below
```