Machine Learning

Exercise Sheet 2 Solution

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1 Linear Regression

Please see question1.ipynb program for the solution to the given problem.

2 Logistic Regression

2.1 Deriving update rule for gradient descent

Given the objective loss function (negative loglikelihood or binary cross entropy loss):

$$J = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} y_n \log(p_i) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - p_i)$$
(1)

And predicted value of *ith* observation:

$$p_i = h_w(x_i) = P(y = 1|X = x_i; w) = \sigma(x_i)$$
 (2)

We want to derive update rule of gradient descent optimization for logistic regression, which aims to find the optimal weights to minimize objective loss.

Given update rule and its parameters:

$$w^{(t+1)} = w^{(t)} - \eta \frac{\partial J(D, w)}{\partial w}$$
where $t \in \mathbb{N}^+$
(3)

and given dataset $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$

For simplicity, i will remove i from all equations and i will perform all the operations in matrix form. Re-expressing what we had:

$$J = -ylog(p) - (1 - y)log(1 - p)$$

$$p = \sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

$$z = w^{\mathsf{T}}x + b$$

$$(4)$$

By chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w} = \frac{\partial J}{\partial p} \cdot \frac{\partial p}{\partial w}
= \frac{\partial J}{\partial p} \cdot \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial z}{\partial w}$$
(5)

And by calculating each partial derivative:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial p} = \frac{-y}{p} + \frac{1-y}{1-p}
\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = \frac{e^{-z}}{(1+e^{-1})^2}
\frac{\partial z}{\partial w} = x$$
(6)

By putting pieces together:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w} = \left(\frac{-y}{p} + \frac{1-y}{1-p}\right) \left(\frac{-e^{-z}}{(1+e^{-z})^2}\right) \cdot (x) \tag{7}$$

And recall that:

$$p = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

$$e^{-z} = \frac{1 - p}{p}$$
(8)

Then our final partial derivative can be expressed again as follows:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w} = \left(\frac{-y}{p} + \frac{1-y}{1-p}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{(1-p)p^2}{p}\right) \cdot (x)$$

$$= (p-y)x$$
(9)

Which can also be expressed in different ways as follows:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w} = \sum_{i}^{N} -(y_i - h_w(x_i)) \cdot x_i$$

$$= -X^{\mathsf{T}}(y - p)$$
(10)

2.2 One step of gradient descent algorithm

We will append bias term to the end of weight array and define a new parameter array:

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_2 & b \end{bmatrix} \tag{11}$$

which was initially given as:

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \tag{12}$$

Then we will find predicted values for each observation x_n :

Predicted value:
$$p = \sigma(w^{\mathsf{T}}x)$$

 $p_1(\text{or } \hat{y_1}) = \sigma((w^{\mathsf{T}}x_1)) = \sigma(0) = 0.5$
 $p_2(\text{or } \hat{y_2}) = \sigma((w^{\mathsf{T}}x_2)) = \sigma(0) = 0.5$
 $p_3(\text{or } \hat{y_3}) = \sigma((w^{\mathsf{T}}x_3)) = \sigma(0) = 0.5$
 $p_4(\text{or } \hat{y_4}) = \sigma((w^{\mathsf{T}}x_4)) = \sigma(0) = 0.5$
which gives us the \hat{y} array
 $\hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$

Then we will find gradient vector:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_1} \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_2} \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial b} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\hat{y} - y)x_1 \\ (\hat{y} - y)x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where x_n represents array of observations for nth feature

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2\\3\\-4\\-2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4\\3\\-2\\-6 \end{bmatrix}$$

y represents array of results

and \hat{y} represents array of predicted values

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$
(14)

Then calculating gradient vector

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_1} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2\\3\\-4\\-2 \end{bmatrix} = -5.5$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_2} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4\\3\\-2\\-6 \end{bmatrix} = -7.5$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_1}\\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_2}\\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5.5\\-7.5\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Also notice that $\frac{\partial J}{\partial b} = 0$ since we neglect bias in the formula $z = w^{\mathsf{T}}x + b$ which leaves us with $z = w^{\mathsf{T}}x$. Please check equation 4 above. Calculating new weights after 1 step:

$$w^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - (0.5) \begin{bmatrix} -5.5 \\ -7.5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.75 \\ 3.75 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (15)

Predicting P(y = 1|X = [-1, 1]):

$$\sigma(w^{\mathsf{T}}x + b) = \sigma(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)
= \sigma(-2.75 + 3.75 + 0)
= \sigma(1)
= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-1}}
= 0.731$$
(16)