

FM $O(dk)$ weight gradient calculation

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Let $X \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $P \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}$. We will ignore the linear terms for now. A factorization machine ϕ is defined as follows

$$\phi(X) := \frac{1}{2} \left(\|PX\|^2 - \sum_{i=1}^k \|P_{i,:} \circ X\|^2 \right) \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^k \left(\sum_{j=1}^d P_{i,j} \cdot X_j \right)^2 - \sum_{j=1}^d X_j^2 \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^k P_{i,j}^2 \right) \right) \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^d P_{i,j} X_j \sum_{j'=1}^d P_{i,j'} X_{j'} - \sum_{j=1}^d X_j^2 \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^k P_{i,j}^2 \right) \right) \quad (3)$$

Given a binary classification setting where $y \in \{+1, -1\}$ and the model is trained with logistic regression, the loss function is as follows

$$l(X, y) = \log(1 + \exp(-y \cdot \phi(X)))$$

We now derive the derivative of the loss function with respect to one single weight parameter $P_{i,j}$.

$$\frac{dl(X, y)}{dP_{i,j}} = \frac{dl(X, y)}{d\phi(X)} \cdot \frac{d\phi(X)}{dP_{i,j}} = \frac{-y}{1 + \exp(y \cdot \phi(X))} \cdot \frac{d\phi(X)}{dP_{i,j}} \quad (4)$$

According to Eq (3) the only terms in $\phi(X)$ involving $P_{i,j}$ is

$$\phi_{i,j}(X) = \frac{1}{2} \left(2 \cdot P_{i,j} X_j \cdot \sum_{j'=1}^d P_{i,j'} X_{j'} - P_{i,j}^2 X_j^2 - X_j^2 \cdot P_{i,j}^2 \right) \quad (5)$$

Let us pre-compute the embedding $Z = PX$ and memoize the results. We then proceed to compute the second term of Eq (4)

$$\frac{d\phi(X)}{dP_{i,j}} = \frac{d\phi_{i,j}(X)}{dP_{i,j}} = X_j \cdot \sum_{j'=1}^d P_{i,j'} X_{j'} - 2P_{i,j} X_j^2 \quad (6)$$

$$= X_j \cdot Z_i - 2P_{i,j} X_j^2 \quad (7)$$

Memoizing Z takes $O(dk)$ time. Eq (7) can be calculated in $O(1)$ by looking up the memoized Z_i . Thus, the total complexity of calculating the weight gradient of FM is $O(dk)$.