

03 Logistic Regression

- Linear relationship between the output and the input variable
- Mean Squared Error
 - the difference between the actual y values present in the dataset (supervised learning) and the $H(x)$ values predicted by the model
 - $[H(x) - y]^2$ - cost function
 - small value \rightarrow good
 - Large value \rightarrow bad
 - $MSE = \text{sum the squared of all error term}$
- Prediction Equation - $H(x) = b_0 + b_1x$ -
 - Aim is to find optimal b_0 , and b_1
 - $\min_b [H(x) - y]^2$
 - we want to find the minimum by tuning these parameters b
 - y is the value we know from the training data // supervised learning
- Linear Regression - Parameters
 - R^2 statistics
 - Measure the accuracy of the regression models
 - square of the correlation coefficient in R
 - measures how strong a linear relationship between two variables
 - $R^2 = 1 - (RSS/TSS)$
 - RSS - residual sum of square.
 - RSS measures the variability left unexplained after performing regression
 - $RSS = \text{Sum } [H(x) - x]^2$
 - TSS is the sum of squares
 - measures the total variance in y
 - $TSS = 1/n \text{ sum}(y - \mu)^2$

04 - Logistic Regression

- Logistic regression solves classification problems
- Usually a method of binary classification
- Outcome of dependent variable is discrete
- Assigns probabilities to given outcomes
- Logistic regression uses sigmoid-function
- probability from sigmoid-function
- logit transformation
- Types of regression
 - simple logistic regression
 - Multinomial logistic regression

05 - K-Nearest Neighbour Classifier

- classify examples by assigning them the class of the most similar labeled examples
- very simple but extremely powerful
- Well suited for classifying tasks where the relationships between features are very complex and hard to understand
- training dataset → classified into several categories
- kNN identifies k elems in the training dataset that are the "nearest" in similarity
- unlabelled test example is assigned to the nearest k cluster

06 - Naive Bayes Classifier

- naive means there is a strong independence assumptions between the given features
- relies heavily on condition probability

- we can decompose the conditional probability on bayes theorem
- choose class with highest probability
- Great for text classification

07 - Support Vector Machine

- Defines margin / boundary → between the data points in multidimensional space
- Goal: find a flat boundary ('hyperplane') that leads to a homogeneous partition of the data
- A good separation is achieved by the hyperplane that has the largest distance to the nearest training-data point of any class since in general the large the margin the lower the generalisation error of the classifier
- so we have to maximise the margin
- application - classifications or numerical predictions
- pattern recognition - disease classification, text classification and detecting rare events
- Linear separable problem
- Support vectors - the points from each class that are closest to the maximum margin hyperplane // each class have at least 1 support vector
- Convex Hull
- Vector geometry

08 - DecisionTrees

- A type of supervised learning approach
- mainly for classification but can be used for regression
- works fine for both categorical variables and continuous input as well
- split the data/population into two or more homogeneous sets based on significant splitter in input variables
- Root node, decision node, leaf nodes
- How to decide on decision trees

- Gini index Approach
- Calculating the information entropy
- Algorithms based on variance reduction
- ID3 algorithm
 - Used to build the decision tree
 - Top-down greedy search of possible branches
 - Uses Shannon-entropy
 - $H(X) = \sum_{i \text{ in range}(1,n)} P(x_i) \log_2 P(x_i)$
 - For completely homogeneous data- entropy is 0
 - for equally divided dataset - entropy is 1
 - A branch with entropy more than 1 needs splitting
 - root node has the maximum information gain (entropy reduction)
 - leaf nodes have entropy 0
 - Key problems
 - Every split it makes at each node is optimised for the dataset provided
 - Will rarely generalise well to other data set

09 - Random Trees Forest

- Decision Tree tends on over fit
 - every split it makes at each node is optimised for the dataset it is fit to
 - this splitting will process will rarely generalize well to other data
 - Unstable classifiers
- Two solutions
 - Pruning
 - Bagging
- Bias-variance tradeoff
 - bias- error from misclassification in the learning algorithms

- High bias → the algorithm misses the relevant relationships between features and target outputs
- Underfitting
- Error due to model mismatch
- variance - error from sensitivity to small changes in the training set
 - High variance → can cause overfitting
 - algorithm models the noise
 - variation due to training sample and randomisation
- we are not able to optimise both bias and variance at the same time
 - low bias → high variance
 - low variance → high bias
- Model complexity
- Random Forest Classifier
 - decorrelates the single decision trees that has been constructed
 - reduces variances even more when averaging trees
 - the number of features considered at a given split is approximately equal to the square root of the total number of features (for classification)
 - Algorithm searches over a random \sqrt{N} features to find the best one
- Pruning
 - grow a large tree and then prune it back to a smaller subtree
 - weak link pruning
 - reduce variance

10. Boosting

- can be used for classification and regression
- helps to reduce variance and bias

- bagging create multiple copies of the original data. it consists of several decision trees on the copies and combining all the trees to make predictions. We construct these trees independently.
- **boosting** - the decision trees are grown sequentially so each tree is grown using information from previously grown trees
- these trees are not independent from each other
- boosting is a sequential learning algorithm
- a weak learner is not able to make good predictions
- combining weak learners can prove to be an extremely powerful classifier
- by fitting small trees (decision stumps). we slowly improve the final result in cases when it does not perform well
- Next level is adaptive boosting algorithm

11 - Clustering

11.1 Principal component analysis (PCA)

- Unsupervised learning
- PCA gives us a low dimensional representation of a dataset
- able to find linear combinations of features / variables that are mutually uncorrelated
- Linearly uncorrelated variables are the principal components
- Good for visualisation
- Can be done
 - eigenvalue decomposition of a data covariance / correlation matrix
 - singular value decomposition of a data matrix usually after mean centering
- To do
 - Read on
 - Eigenvalue decomposition
 - Data covariance

- Correlation matrix
- Singular value decomposition
- More examples on PCA

11.2 K-means algorithms

- Very popular unsupervised learning algorithm in data mining
- Automatically divides the data into clusters / groupings of similar items
- Doesn't need a labelled dataset
- Problem - how could a computer possibly know where one group ends and another begins?
- Elements inside a cluster should be very similar to each other, but very different from those outside.
- K-means clustering aims to partition **n** observations into **k** clusters in which each observation belongs to the cluster with the nearest mean
- Can be done with graph algorithm - construct the minimum spanning tree... and remove the last k edges
- NP-hard problem
- Lloyd-algorithm is very common nowadays
 - Initialize the centroids at random, these are the centers of a given cluster
 - Decided for every point in the dataset what centroid is the nearest to them
 - calculate the new means of every distinct clusters
 - run until convergence
- Finding k parameter
 - sometimes we have some a priori knowledge: we know how many clusters we want to construct
 - without any a priori knowledge: **k** is approximately equal to the square root of $n/2$ where n is the number of elements in the dataset

- Elbow method: we monitor the change of homogeneity within the clusters with different k values
- It looks at the percentage of variance explained as a function of the number of clusters
 - one should choose a number of clusters so that adding another cluster does not give much better modelling of the data
- we have to find the "elbow point" at a plot
- Advantages
 - Relies on simple principles to identify clusters
 - Flexible
 - Efficient
- Disadvantages
 - Not so sophisticated
 - Because it uses an element of random chance, it is not guaranteed to find the optimal set of clusters
 - K parameter → we have to know in advance how many clusters we want to find
- Clustering vs Classification
 - clustering is different from classification or numerical predictions
 - classification / regression: the result is a model that relates features to an outcome
 - **clustering creates new data**
 - Unlabelled examples are given a cluster label and inferred entirely from the relationship within the data
- Text clustering
 - Measure text similarity
 - Apply a clustering algorithm
 - usually k-means clustering but we can use any other machine learning approach
 - Tokenizing

- split a given text into a set of words
- document term matrix
- TF-IDF
 - term frequency - inverse document frequency vectors
 - handles weight of a given word **w** in a document **d**
 - $tf(w) = \text{number of times } w \text{ appears in document } d // \text{total number of words in document } d$
 - $idf = \log(\text{number of documents} / \text{number of documents that contain word } w)$

11.3 DBSCAN Algorithm

- Overview
 - DBSCAN - Density Based Spatial Clustering of Application with Noise
 - Data clustering algorithms such as K-means
 - Density-based → given a set of points in some space, it groups together points that are closely packed together
 - Very common clustering algorithm
- Algorithm
 - There are given points in the 2 dimensional space
 - Try to find every points → that are separated by a distance no more than a given $e_epsilon$ (the threshold distance)
 - same clusters: we can hop from a given node to another by hopping no more than $e_epsilon$ → the points are in the same cluster
- Advantages
 - Finds non-linearly separable clusters (arbitrarily shaped clusters)!!!
 - For K-means we have to specify the number of clusters we want to find → here we do not need to do so
 - Very robust to outliers

- Result does not depend on the starting conditions
- Parameters: $e_epsilon$ (distance threshold) + minimum number of neighbors
- $O(N \log N)$ running time !!!
- Disadvantages
 - DBSCAN is not entirely deterministic
 - Border points that are reachable from more than one cluster can be part of either cluster depending on the order the data is processed
 - Relies heavily on a distance measure: Euclidean-measure. In higher dimensions it is very hard to find a good value for $e_epsilon$
 - curse of dimensionality
 - if the data and scale are not well understood → choosing a meaningful distance threshold $e_epsilon$ can be difficult