

Problem Set #6 Solutions

1.

Recall that the density function for the Exponential distribution with given parameter λ is $f(x | \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$, where $x \geq 0$. Thus, the log-likelihood function to maximize is:

$$LL(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\lambda e^{-\lambda X_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^n [\log(\lambda) + \log e^{-\lambda X_i}] = n \log(\lambda) - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

Taking the derivative of $LL(\lambda)$ w.r.t. λ , and setting it to 0, yields:

$$\frac{\partial LL(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{n}{\lambda} - \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0$$

$$\text{Solving for } \lambda \text{ gives us: } \frac{n}{\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i} = \frac{1}{\bar{X}}$$

2.

For the n I.I.D sample pairs $(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2) \dots (X_n, Y_n)$, the log-likelihood function for $\theta = \{\theta_1, \theta_2\}$ under the assumption that $Y = \theta_1 X + \theta_2 + Z, Z \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ is calculated as follows:

$$LL(\theta) = \log \prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i, Y_i | \theta) = \log \prod_{i=1}^n f(Y_i | X_i, \theta) * f(X_i)$$

Where

$$f(Y_i | X_i, \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(Y_i - \theta_1 X_i - \theta_2)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Combining these two, we get:

$$LL(\theta) = \log \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(Y_i - \theta_1 X_i - \theta_2)^2}{2\sigma^2}} f(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(Y_i - \theta_1 X_i - \theta_2)^2}{2\sigma^2}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i)$$

Simplifying this expression gives us:

$$LL(\theta) = n \log\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} * \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \theta_1 X_i - \theta_2)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i)$$

3.

If the first k input variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k are actually all *identical* copies of each other, this is problematic for Naïve Bayes as the identical variables clearly violate the assumption of

conditional independence made by the classifier (unless those inputs are also identical to the class variable Y). More formally, as long as the identical variables are not always the same as Y, they will not satisfy the conditional independence assumption, which states that: $P(X_i, X_j | Y) = P(X_i | Y) P(X_j | Y)$. As a result, the more identical copies of a variable there are (i.e., the larger k is), the more the output of the classifier will come to be dominated by the value of this “single” input variable, as it is effectively being given k times the weight of any other single input feature.

4. Given n training examples $(x^1, y^1), (x^2, y^2) \dots (x^n, y^n)$, we must calculate the following derivatives:

$$\frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_1}, \frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_2}, \frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_3}, \frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_4}$$

where

$$LL(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n y^{(i)} \log \hat{y}^{(i)} + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - \hat{y}^{(i)})$$

$$\hat{y}^{(i)} = \sigma(\theta_3 * g + \theta_4 * h)$$

$$h^{(i)} = \sigma(\theta_2 * x^{(i)})$$

$$g^{(i)} = \sigma(\theta_1 * x^{(i)})$$

Where $\sigma(X)$ is the sigmoid function.

We note the following (By the chain rule):

$\frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_4} = \frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\hat{y}^{(i)}} * \frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{d\theta_4}$	$\frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_3} = \frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\hat{y}^{(i)}} * \frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{d\theta_3}$
$\frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_2} = \frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\hat{y}^{(i)}} * \frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{dh^{(i)}} * \frac{dh^{(i)}}{d\theta_2}$	$\frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_1} = \frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\hat{y}^{(i)}} * \frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{dg^{(i)}} * \frac{dg^{(i)}}{d\theta_1}$

Therefore, we have to calculate only a few quantities and multiply them together. We also note that to handle the summation, we calculate each derivative with respect to a single piece of data, and sum up all these derivatives at the end.

$$\frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\hat{y}^{(i)}} = \frac{y^{(i)}}{\hat{y}^{(i)}} - \frac{(1 - y^{(i)})}{(1 - \hat{y}^{(i)})}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{d\theta_4} = \hat{y}^{(i)} * (1 - \hat{y}^{(i)}) * h^{(i)}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{d\theta_3} = \hat{y}^{(i)} * (1 - \hat{y}^{(i)}) * g^{(i)}$$

$$\frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{dh^{(i)}} = \hat{y}^{(i)} * (1 - \hat{y}^{(i)}) * \theta_4$$

$$\frac{d\hat{y}^{(i)}}{dg^{(i)}} = \hat{y}^{(i)} * (1 - \hat{y}^{(i)}) * \theta_3$$

$$\frac{dh^{(i)}}{d\theta_2} = h^{(i)} * (1 - h^{(i)}) * x^{(i)}$$

$$\frac{dg^{(i)}}{d\theta_1} = g^{(i)} * (1 - g^{(i)}) * x^{(i)}$$

After combining the terms together, our results are:

$\frac{dLL(\theta)}{d\theta_4} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{y^{(i)}}{\hat{y}^{(i)}} - \frac{(1 - y^{(i)})}{(1 - \hat{y}^{(i)})} \right) * \hat{y}^{(i)} * (1 - \hat{y}^{(i)}) * h^{(i)} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}^{(i)}) * h^{(i)}$
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Whew! See why neural nets are complicated?

Note: solutions to programming assignments are not distributed.

Coding 1: Naïve Bayes

a. Using either MLE or Laplace estimators we achieved 100% accuracy on simple-test

b.

Note: In the Netflix dataset, since there were so many training movies, MLE and Laplace had identical parameters up to two decimal places. As a result, all answers are the same for the two classifiers.

i. $P(Y = 1) = 0.635$

ii. $P(X_i = 1|Y = 1)$, read from left to right:

0.67	0.67	0.59	0.60	0.72
0.61	0.60	0.70	0.86	0.66
0.68	0.66	0.88	0.67	0.51
0.52	0.75	0.71	0.75	

iii. $P(X_i = 1|Y = 0)$, read from left to right:

0.59	0.68	0.68	0.66	0.57
0.60	0.62	0.60	0.86	0.70
0.66	0.64	0.88	0.67	0.57
0.56	0.76	0.57	0.31	

iv. Class 0: tested 265 , correct classified 185
 Class 1: tested 235 , correct classified 180
 Overall: tested 500 , correct classified 365
 Accuracy: 0.730

c.

i. We were looking for you to chose the movies that maximized the ratio:
 $P(Y = 1|X_i = 1) / P(Y = 1|X_i = 0)$. Use Bayes Theorem to find these probabilities. The five highest movies were:

Index	Movie	Ratio
19	When Harry Met Sally	2.39
18	What Women Want	1.25
1	3 Idiots	1.15
5	How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days	1.27
8	La Vita E Bella	1.16

ii. One of the test examples that was classified incorrectly was (left redacted). The log likelihoods for $Y = 0$ and $Y = 1$ were -11.82 and -11.83, respectively. These values are very similar, which indicates that the classifier was close to making the correct decision. Despite the fact that the user liked the the most indicative movie (19) they happen to have not liked the target movie. It is more likely that we don't have enough features to make all predictions correctly.

d.

MLE:

Class 0: tested 109 , correct classified 90

Class 1: tested 75 , correct classified 56

Overall: tested 184 , correct classified 146

Accuracy: 0.79

Laplace:

Class 0: tested 109 , correct classified 89

Class 1: tested 75 , correct classified 55

Overall: tested 184 , correct classified 144

Accuracy: 0.78

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MLE:

Class 0: tested 15 , correct classified 10

Class 1: tested 172 , correct classified 135

Overall: tested 187 , correct classified 145

Accuracy: 0.78

Laplace:

Class 0: tested 15 , correct classified 10

Class 1: tested 172 , correct classified 130

Overall: tested 187 , correct classified 140

Accuracy: 0.75

Coding 2: Logistic Regression

- a. We were able to achieve 100% accuracy.
- b.
 - i. Parameter weights after training (index from 0 to 14, from left to right):

-1.26	0.15	-0.03	-0.19	-0.11
0.33	0.03	-0.11	0.22	-0.04
-0.08	0.08	0.05	0.02	0.00
-0.11	0.01	-0.02	0.28	1.76

Note that the first parameter corresponds to the offset
 - ii. Classification accuracy:

Class 0: tested 265 , correct classified 180

Class 1: tested 235 , correct classified 190

Overall: tested 500 , correct classified 370

Accuracy: 0.74
 - iii. If a user likes movies

#19 (When Harry Met Sally),

#18 (What Women Want),

#1 (3 Idiots),

#5 (How to Lose A Guy in 10 Days), and

#8 (La Vita E Bella),

Then they are more likely to like the target movie (Love Actually). This is similar to what was found for Naive Bayes above and fits with our intuition about genres.
 - iv. Initial Log Likelihood of training data when parameters are all 0: -3119
 - v. Log likelihood of training data after training: -2627
- c. Results for ancestry-test.txt:

Class 0: tested 109 , correct classified 98

Class 1: tested 75 , correct classified 56

Overall: tested 184 , correct classified 154

Accuracy: 0.84
- d. Here are a few examples of learning rates and the respective accuracy:

Learning rate = 1e-4: Accuracy: 0.76

Learning rate = 2e-5: Accuracy: 0.79

Learning rate = 5e-4: Accuracy: 0.73

Learning rate = 4e-6: Accuracy: 0.88

Learning rate = 1e-5: Accuracy: 0.81

Learning rate = 5e-7: Accuracy: 0.94

Learning rate = 1e-7: Accuracy: 0.94

Learning rate = 1e-6: Accuracy: 0.94