Assignment 2

Mustererkennung/Machine Learning WiSe 18/19

Excercise 1. Implementation of Least-Squares Linear Regression

Using the closed-form expression from the lecture, implement Linear Regression in Python (incl. Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib) on a Jupyter Notebook. Train on the training set of the "ZIP code"-Dataset and test on its test set.

- (a) Print out the Confusion Matrix and the accuracy.
- (b) What is a good way of encoding the labels?
- (c) What is the problem with using Linear Regression for Classification?

Excercise 2. Why use quadratic loss?

Suppose that N observations y_i are produced by a deterministic linear function $\hat{y}(x_i; \theta)$ with parameter θ and an additive measurement error ϵ_i that is independent and identically distributed from a Normal distribution:

$$y_i = \hat{y}(x_i; \theta) + \epsilon_i$$

$$\epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \exp\left(\frac{-\epsilon_i^2}{2}\right)$$

We want to train a maximum likelihood estimator, which in the linear case is parameterized by a weight-vector $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$, where

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{w}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbb{P}[y_1 = \hat{y}(x_1; \mathbf{w}), \dots, y_N = \hat{y}(x_N; \mathbf{w}) \mid \mathbf{w}]$$

Show that
$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \hat{y}(x_i; w))^2$$

For Excercise 1, submit as a fully executed Jupyter Notebook, either printed out in the tutorial or as PDF in KVV. For Excercise 2, either include in the Jupyter Notebook (It can do LaTeX) or submit on handwritten paper in the tutorial.

In order to pass, you need to do both excercises! Deadline: 01.11.18, 12.15 Uhr.