

## Lecture 23:

$$\hat{G}_{m-1}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \beta_i \hat{f}_i(x)$$

Solving  $\beta_m, \hat{f}_m = \underset{\beta, f_m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_n L(y_n, \hat{G}_{m-1}(x_n) + \beta f_m(x_n))$

$\uparrow L(y, h) = e^{-yh}$

$$\sum_n \exp(-y_n(\hat{G}_{m-1}(x_n) + \beta f_m(x_n)))$$

$$= \sum_n \underbrace{\exp(-y_n \hat{G}_{m-1}(x_n))}_{\text{no } \beta, f_m} \exp(-y_n \beta f_m(x_n))$$

So I can regard as a weight  $w_{nm}$

$$= \sum_n w_{nm} \exp(-\beta \underbrace{y_n f_m(x_n)}_{\pm 1})$$

$y_n = \pm 1$   
 $f_m(x_n) = \pm 1$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{e^{\pm \beta}}$

$$= \sum_{y_n = f_m(x_n)} w_{nm} e^{-\beta} + \sum_{y_n \neq f_m(x_n)} w_{nm} e^{\beta}$$

$$= \underbrace{e^{-\beta} \sum_{y_n = f_m(x_n)} w_{nm}}_{(1)} - \underbrace{e^{-\beta} \sum_{y_n \neq f_m(x_n)} w_{nm}}_{(3)} + \underbrace{e^{-\beta} \sum_{y_n \neq f_m(x_n)} w_{nm}}_{(2)} + \underbrace{e^{\beta} \sum_{y_n \neq f_m(x_n)} w_{nm}}_{(4)}$$

$$= \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3} + \textcircled{4}$$

$$= e^{-\beta} \sum_n w_{nm} + (e^{\beta} - e^{-\beta}) \sum_{y_n \neq f_m(x_n)} w_{nm}$$

$$\textcircled{*} = e^{-\beta} \sum_n w_{nm} + (e^{\beta} - e^{-\beta}) \underbrace{\sum_n w_{nm} \mathbb{1}(y_n \neq f_m(x_n))}_{\propto \text{weighted mis-class err of } f_m}$$

Want to find opt.  $\beta$ ,  $f_m$  to minimize

- Fix  $\beta$ , find  $f_m$  to minimize:

$\hat{f}_m$  should minimize weighted mis-class err rate.

Given  $\hat{f}_m$ , find best  $\beta$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \textcircled{*} = -e^{-\beta} \sum_n w_n + (e^{\beta} + e^{-\beta}) \sum_n w_{nm} \mathbb{1}(y_n \neq \hat{f}_m(x_n))$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{and solve for } \beta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_n w_n = (e^{2\beta} + 1) \sum_n w_{nm} \mathbb{1}(y_n \neq \hat{f}_m(x_n))$$

$$\beta_m = \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1 - \text{err}_m}{\text{err}_m} \right)$$

$\text{err}_m = \text{weighted mis-class}$

$$\alpha_m \triangleq 2\beta_m$$

Just need to show that we update weights as claimed.

$$\text{Ada Boost: } W_{nm+1} \leftarrow W_{nm} \exp(\alpha_n \mathbb{1}(y_n \neq \hat{f}_m(x_n)))$$

Notice:

$$\begin{aligned} W_{n,m+1} &= \exp(-y_n \hat{G}_m(x_n)) \\ &= \exp(-y_n \hat{G}_{m-1}(x_n)) \exp(-\beta_m \hat{f}_m(x_n) y_n) \\ &= W_{nm} \exp(-\beta_m \hat{f}_m(x_n) y_n) \end{aligned}$$

notice that  $-y_n \hat{f}_m(x_n) = 2\mathbb{1}(y_n \neq \hat{f}_m(x_n)) - 1$

So

$$\begin{aligned} &= W_{nm} \exp(2\beta_m \mathbb{1}(y_n \neq \hat{f}_m(x_n)) - \beta_m) \\ &= W_{nm} \exp(\alpha_n \mathbb{1}(y_n \neq \hat{f}_m(x_n))) \exp(-\beta_m) \end{aligned}$$

doesn't matter

This is exactly AdaBoost.

For continuous  $y_n$ , can do a similar thing, by fitting each model to the residual of the previous.

This is equivalent to SAM using a Squared error loss.

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A couple tuning choices:

- loss \*
- number of trees  $M$
- Shrinkage factor:  $\nu \in [0, 1]$

$$\hat{G}_m(x) = \hat{G}_{m-1}(x) + \nu \alpha_m \hat{f}_m(x)$$

learning rate

- number of splits in each of my trees
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Gradient Boosting

Boosting using something other than SE loss (regr.) or exp. loss (class.)

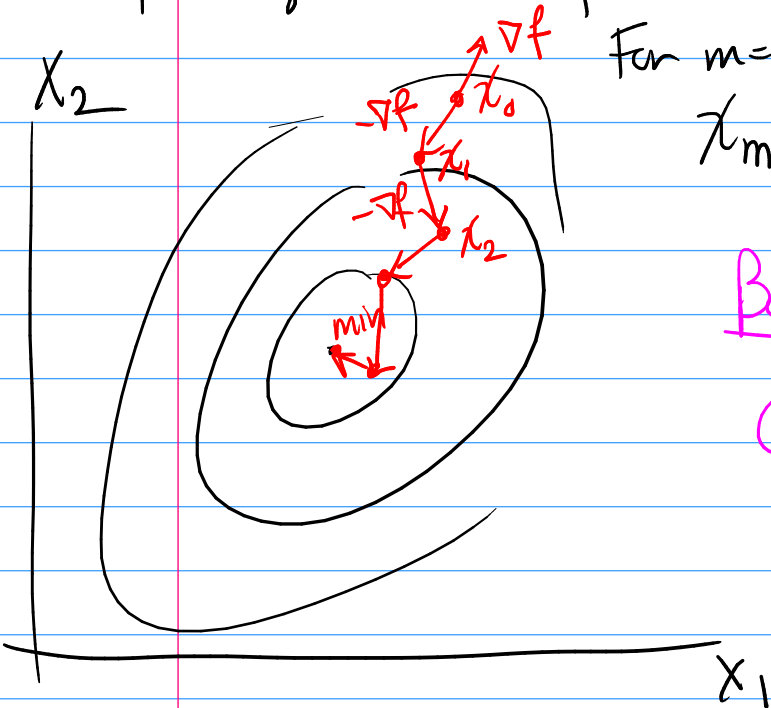
# Gradient Descent:

(minimize)

Optimize some function  $f$

For  $m=1, \dots, M$

$$x_m = x_{m-1} - \alpha_m \nabla f|_{x_{m-1}}$$

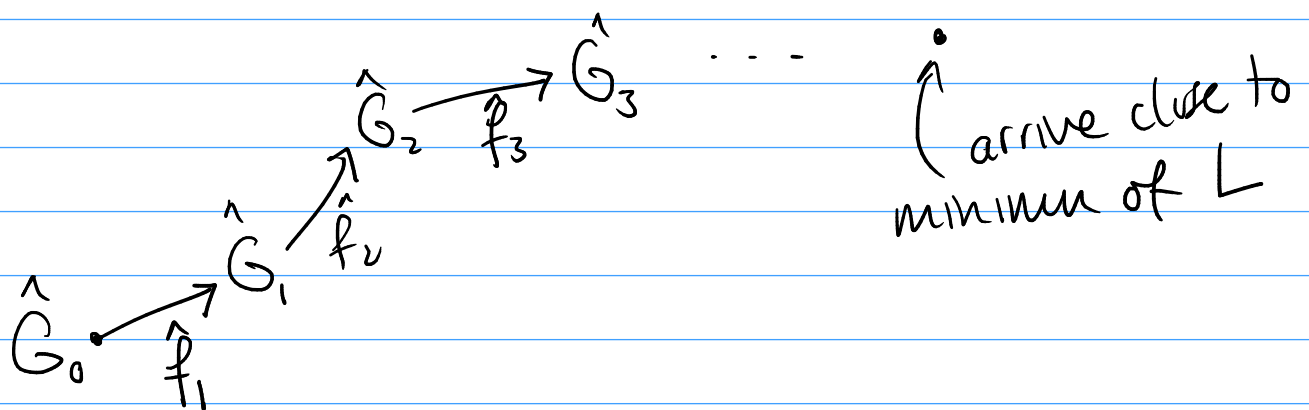


Boosting:

$$\hat{G}_m(x) = \hat{G}_{m-1}(x) + \alpha_m \hat{f}_m(x)$$

Looks like gradient descent

if  $\hat{f}_m \approx -\nabla f = -\text{gradient}$



## Gradient Boosting : (regression)

(0)  $\hat{G}_0(x) = 0$

(2) For  $m = 1, \dots, M$

(a)  $r_{nm} = - \frac{\partial L}{\partial f(x_n)} \bigg|_{\hat{G}_{m-1}(x_n)}$  pseudo residuals

(b) fit  $\hat{f}_m$  to predict  $r_{nm}$  from  $x_n$

(c)  $\hat{G}_m(x) = \hat{G}_{m-1}(x) + \alpha_m \hat{f}_m(x)$

$\uparrow$  learning rate