MNIST Dataset Classification, Logistic Regression

Last few weeks

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- 1. Look at the big picture
- 2. Get the data and set aside a test set
- 3. Discover and visualise the data to gain insights
- 4. Prepare the data for Machine Learning algorithms
- 5. Identify a suitable metric for evaluating the task
- 6. Select a model and train it
- 7. Fine-tune your model
- 8. Present your solution -> Final Assignment!
- 9. Launch, monitor and maintain your system -> if ready!

This week

- Classification
- Logistic Regression
- Performance Metrics for classification
- Classification using MNIST dataset (hand-drawn digits)
- Sklearn API

Classification deals with categorical data

- We're used to applying **regression models** to **continuous data** to make predictions (e.g. house prices could be from 100k to 10 mil.).
- But **classification** lends itself to **categorical data** to classify as a particular category (a value that is one of : yes/no, true/false, north/south, A/B/C/D, 0/1/2/3/4 etc)



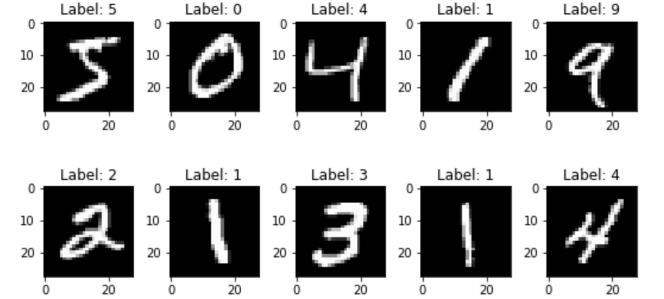
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Classification tasks

• Binary classification: two classes (0 or 1)

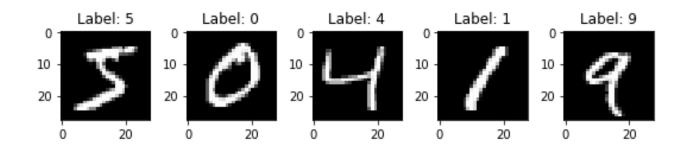




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• Multi-class: (exclusive: can only be one: this is a '9')

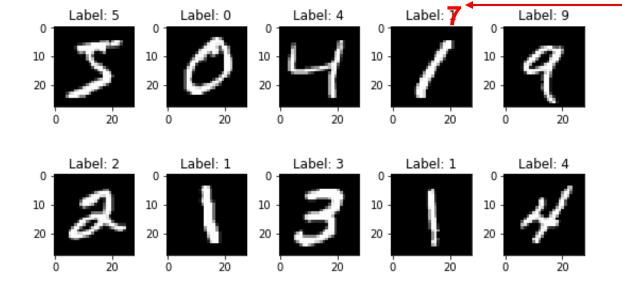


• Multi-label: (can belong to more than one label: Action AND Sci-fi)

5. Metrics: Accuracy

- Performance metrics are tricker for classification.
- Accuracy would be the most intuitive obvious one to measure

$$accuracy = \frac{\# correctly \ predicted \ records}{\# total \ records}$$



Let's say that the model incorrectly classified this image as a 7 rather than a 1

$$accuracy = \frac{9}{10} = 90\%$$

5. Identify a metric for evaluation

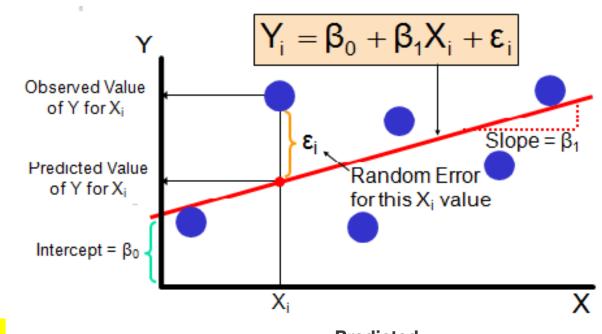
Metrics for Regression tasks:

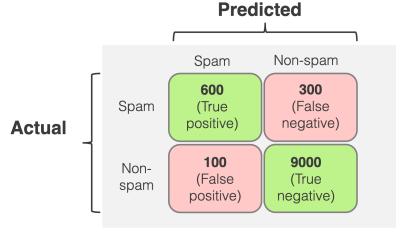
- Mean Squared Error (MSE)
- Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)
- Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
- R² (variance explanation)

Metrics for Classification tasks:

- Precision
- -> F1-score

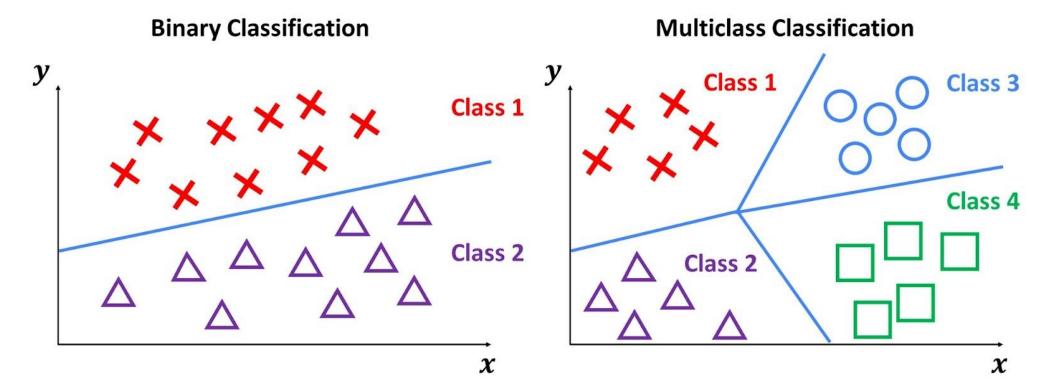
- Recall
- Accuracy (percentage correct)
- Confusion Matrix (type I and II errors)





Logistic Regression

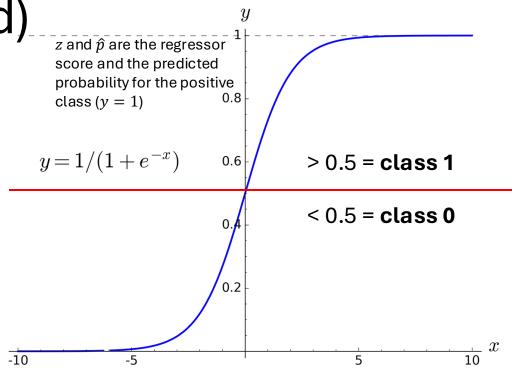
- In classification we would typically use:
 - sigmoid (for binary/multi-label)
 - softmax (for multi-class) to output probabilities.



$$\hat{p}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \hat{p}(\boldsymbol{w}, b) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(x^T w + b)}}$$

Logistic Regression (Sigmoid)

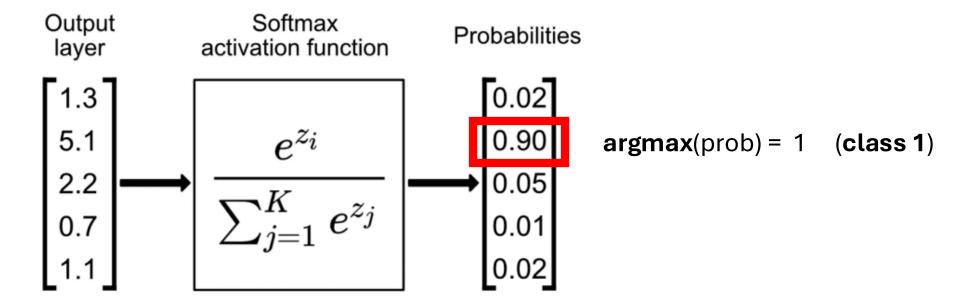
- Binary classification (class 0 or 1)
- Estimates the probability that a sample belongs to a certain class by training a (linear) regressor that will return scores in the $(-\infty, +\infty)$ interval (continuous)



- Then passing the output of the regressor to a logistic (sigmoid)
 function so that the output will be a value between 0 and 1.
- If the output is > 0.5 assign to class 1
- If the output is < 0.5, otherwise assign to class 0

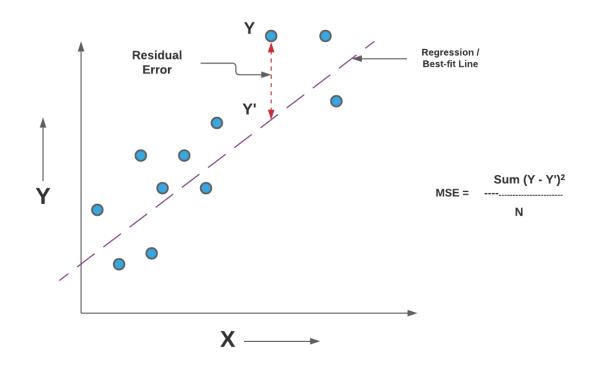
Logistic Regression (Softmax)

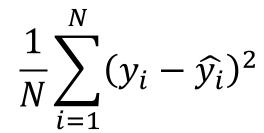
- Multi-class classification (classes 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 etc.)
- The softmax function is used in multi-class classification to convert raw scores (logits) into probabilities that sum to 1.
- Then use argmax() to find class with highest probability score



5. Metrics: Mean Squared Error (MSE)

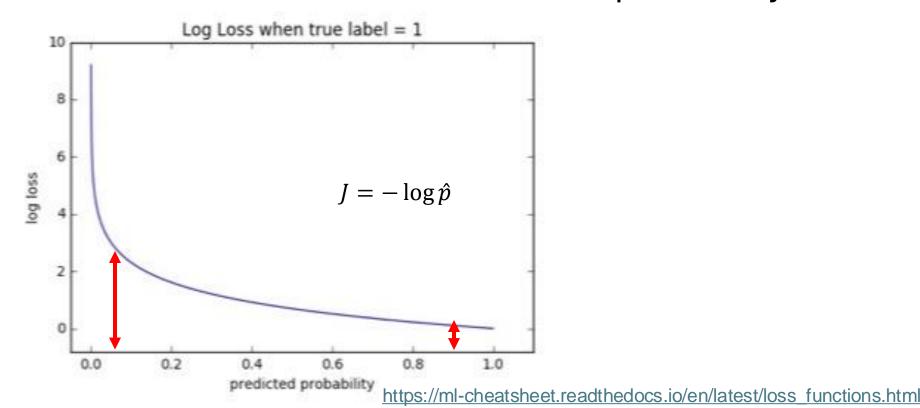
- This is the mean of the squared errors.
- Larger errors are noted more than with MAE, making MSE more popular.





Log loss cost function

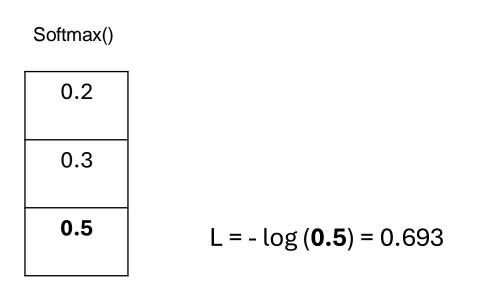
 Log loss creates a logarithmic gradient, meaning the penalty for incorrect predictions increases sharply when the model is wrong and decreases when it is closer to the correct probability.

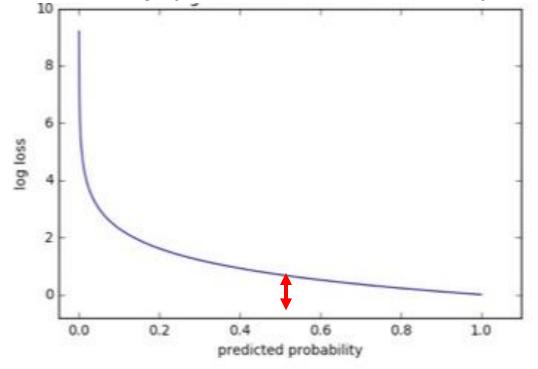


crossentropy =
$$J(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{k=1}^{K} y_k \log \hat{p}_k$$

Softmax regression: cross entropy cost function

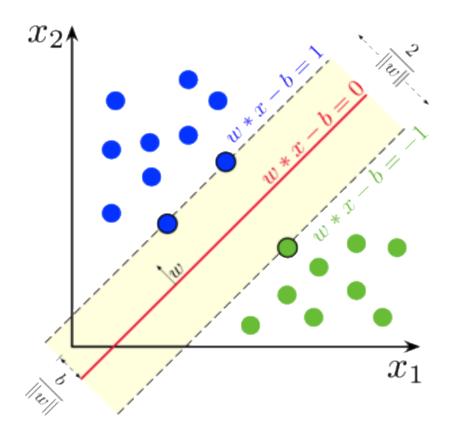
- The cost function used for softmax regression is a multi-class extension of the **log-loss** function, called **cross-entropy**.
- It applies log-loss to the highest probability (and selected class).





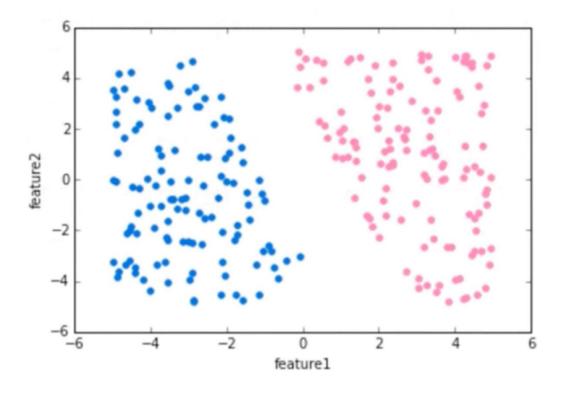
Support Vector Machines (SVMs)

- An SVM constructs a hyper-plane (or set of hyper-planes) in a high dimensional space, which can be used for classification (or regression or other tasks).
- Intuitively, a good separation is achieved by the hyper-plane that has the largest distance to the nearest training data points of any class (so-called functional margin),
- In general, the larger the margin, the lower the generalization error of the classifier
- Let's look at an example...



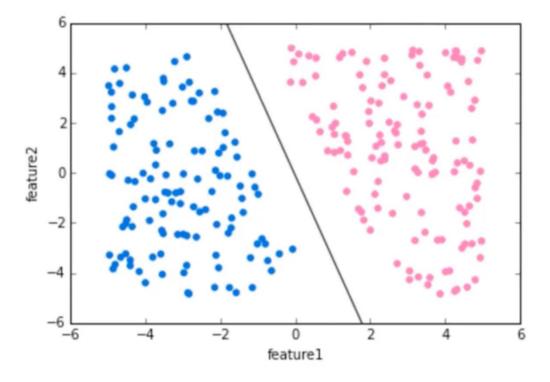
SVM Example:

• Here are two dimensions, and we have two classes / labels



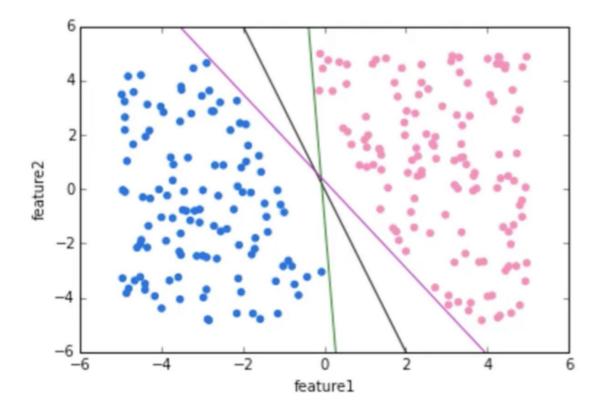
SVM Example:

• We could draw a regression dividing line to help us classify



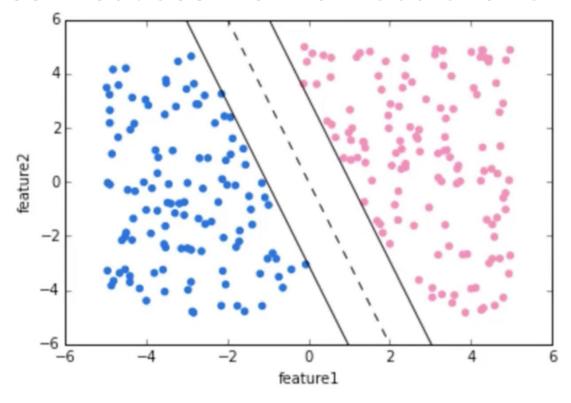
But there are many options...

• Which slope/gradient should we go with?



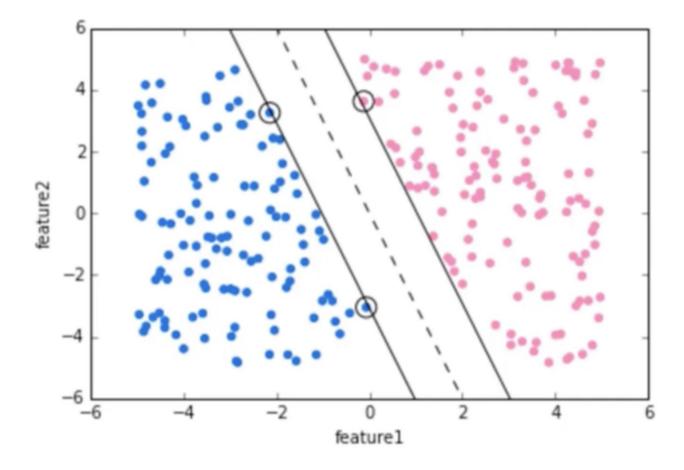
SVM maximises margin between classes

 We would like to choose a hyperplane that maximises the margin between classes – reduces the likelihood of error



Support Vectors

• Points that support the margin lines are known as Support Vectors

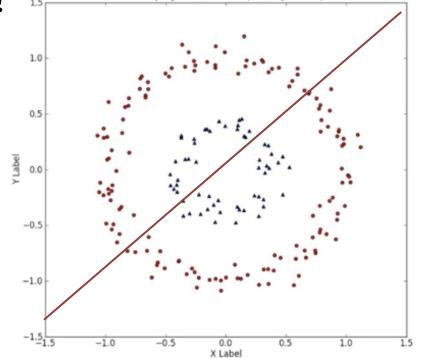


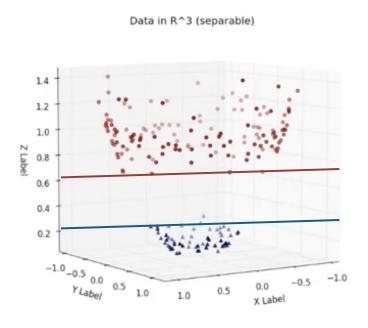
Support Vectors: the 'Kernel Trick'

• This concept can expand to **non-linear data** (that isn't separable with a straight line) through a 'kernel-trick'

• In 2D, a straight cannot be drawn to separate the classes, but in

3D, it can!!

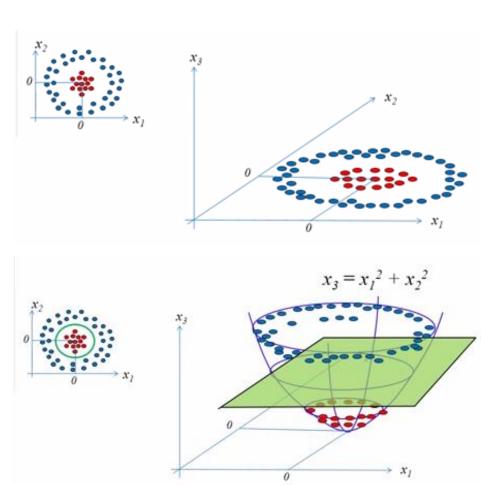




Support Vectors: the 'Kernel Trick'

- To solve a nonlinear problem with SVM:
- 1.We **transform** the training data onto a **higher dimensional feature space** via a **mapping function** φ.
- 2.We **train a linear SVM model** to classify the data in **this new feature space**.
- 3.Then, we can **use the same mapping function** φ to **transform unseen data** to classify it using the linear SVM model.

The **kernel trick** avoids the explicit mapping that is needed to get linear learning algorithms to learn a nonlinear function or decision boundary.



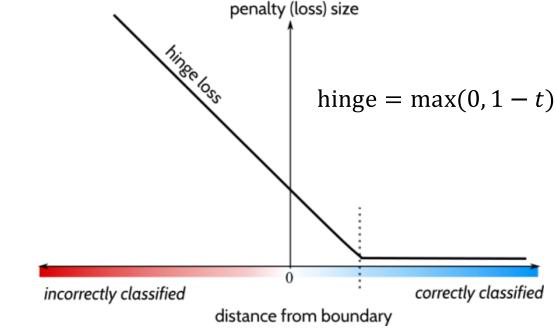
Online SVMs with the hinge loss

$$J(\theta) = J(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + C \sum_{1=1}^{m} \max(0, 1 - t_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$
regularization term

Traditional SVM are trained offline (batch-training)

However, we can train online SVMs using gradient descent, just like we train logistic or softmax regression classifiers

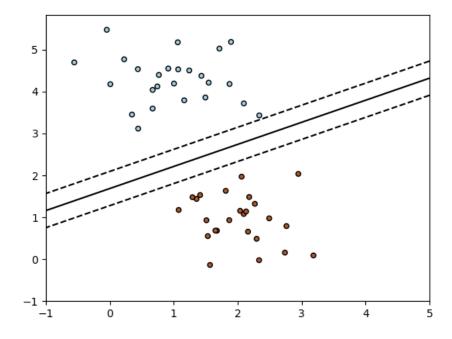
Rather than using the **log loss** we use the **hinge function** as our cost function



Stochastic Gradient Descent Classification

- The class SGDClassifier implements a plain stochastic gradient descent learning routine which supports different loss functions and penalties for classification.
- The default function scikit-learn is the Linear SVM decision function

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/sgd.html



Confusion Matrix

 Accuracy = Total correctly classified (True Positive and True Negative) out of all predictions (total population)

• Precision = Measure of predictive positive cases (True Positive and False Positive).

Precision focusses on quality

0C3		Actual		
		Positive	Negative	
ted	Positive	True Positive	False Positive	
Pred.	Negative	False Negative	True Negative	

• Recall (Sensitivity) = Measure of actual positive cases

(True Positive and False Negative)

Negative | True Positive | True

• **F1 Score** = Harmonic mean of precision and recall. Provides a balanced score.

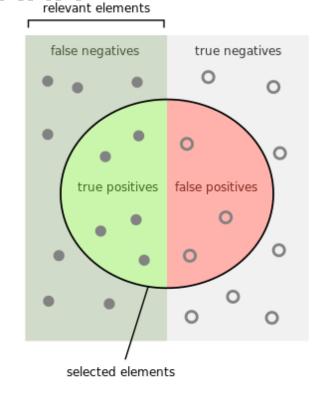
Performance Metrics: Confusion Matrix

 $accuracy = \frac{correct\ predictions}{total\ predictions} = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$

$$precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

$$recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$\mathbf{F1} = 2 \frac{precision \times recall}{precision + recall}$$

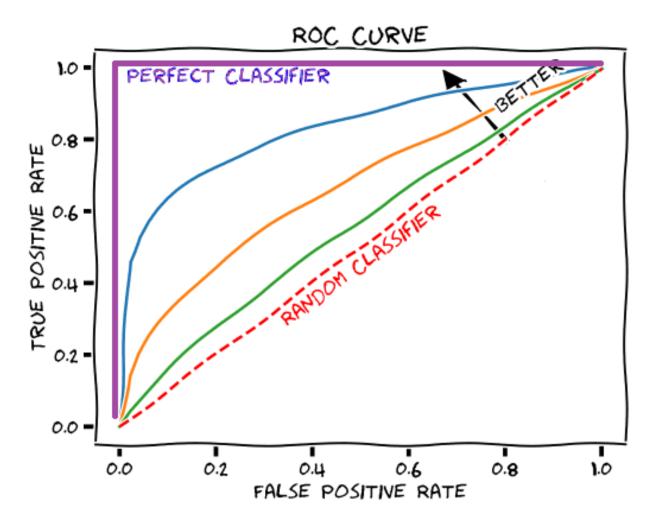




Performance Metrics: Area under the ROC curve

$$TPR = recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FPR = \frac{FP}{FP + TN}$$



MNIST Dataset Sklearn

Images are Numbers



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241
133.
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- Here is a hand drawn digit 5 from the MNIST library [28 x 28] px
- An image is just a matrix of numbers [0,255] 0 for white, 255 for black

Logistic Regression with sklearn

- from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
- from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
- from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
- from sklearn.metrics import classification_report

Logistic Regression – fit the model to the data

from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression

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log_model = LogisticRegression()
log_model.fit(X_train, y_train)
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log_model.classes_

array([0, 1])

Logistic Regression – let's test the model

predictions = log_model.predict(X_test)

Logistic Regression – let's evaluate the model

from **sklearn.metrics** import **confusion_matrix**

confusion_matrix(y_test,predictions)

array([[90, 19], [48, 43]])

		Actual		
		Positive	Negative	
redicted	Positive	True Positive	False Positive	
Predi	Negative	False Negative	True Negative	

Logistic Regression – let's evaluate the model

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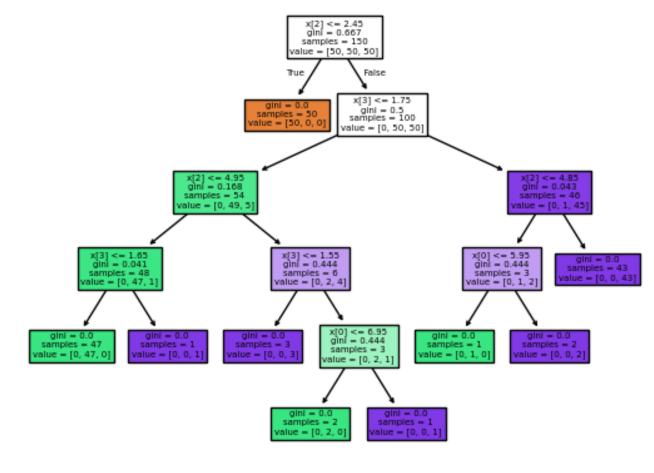
print(classification_report(y_test,predictions))

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.69	0.92	0.79	101
1	0.88	0. 58	0.70	99
accuracy			0.75	200
macro avg	0.78	0.75	0.74	200
weighted avg	0.78	0.75	0.74	200

Coming up: Decision Trees

- Decision Trees (DTs) are a nonparametric supervised learning method used for classification (and regression).
- The goal is to create a model that predicts the value of a target variable by learning simple decision rules inferred from the data features.

Decision tree trained on all the iris features



Coming up: Neural Networks for classification

