

# EECS 545 Machine Learning: Homework #2

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# Problem 1

Logistic regression

## Solution

**Part a:** Hessian  $\mathbf{H}$

$$l(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^N y^{(i)} \log h(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - h(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})), \quad (1)$$

where  $h(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})}$  and we denote that  $pred = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}$ .

Then we assume that:

$$l_i(\mathbf{w}) = y^{(i)} \log \sigma(pred^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - \sigma(pred^{(i)})), \quad (2)$$

where we know that  $\frac{\partial pred}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{x}^T$  and  $\frac{\partial pred}{\partial \mathbf{w}^T} = \mathbf{x}$ .

It can be shown that:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla l_i(\mathbf{w}) &= \frac{y^{(i)} x^{(i)}}{\sigma(pred^{(i)})} - \frac{(1 - y^{(i)}) x^{(i)}}{(1 - \sigma(pred^{(i)}))} \\ &= y^{(i)} x^{(i)} (1 - \sigma(pred^{(i)})) - (1 - y^{(i)}) x^{(i)} \sigma(pred^{(i)}) \\ &= x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - x^{(i)} \sigma(pred^{(i)}) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Then we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} H^{(i)} &= \nabla^2 l_i(\mathbf{w}) = -x^{(i)} x^{(i)T} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(pred^{(i)})} \frac{\exp(pred^{(i)})}{1 + \exp(pred^{(i)})} \\ &= -x^{(i)} x^{(i)T} \sigma(pred^{(i)}) (1 - \sigma(pred^{(i)})) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

so the Hessian  $H$  is written by:

$$H = -\mathbf{X} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{X}^T \quad (5)$$

where  $\mathbf{R}$  is the diagonal matrix that the diagonal elements are  $\sigma(pred^{(i)})(1 - \sigma(pred^{(i)}))$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z}^T H \mathbf{z} &= -\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{z} \\ &= -\|\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{R} \mathbf{X}\|^2 \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

So it is shown that Hessian  $H$  is negative semi-definite and thus  $l$  is concave and has no local maxima other than the global one.

**Part b:**

illustrates training data(blue), the prediction points using the BGD(green) and the SGD(orange), respectively. It is known from the figure that the fit of both methods is good and close. Fig. illustrates the mean squared error ( $E_{MS}$ ) curves of the BGD and the SGD. The convergence speed of the two methods is very close (so I draw the curves separately), and they both converge at around  $epoch = 50$ , and converge to  $E_{MS} = 0.2$ . In theory, the SGD will converge faster. In problem1, it may be hard to distinguish the convergence speed of the two methods because the training set is too small.

**Part c:**

illustrates the trend of  $E_{RMS}$  changing with degree. It is easy to know from the figure that 0, 1, 2, 3 degree polynomials under-fitting the data and 9 degree polynomial over-fitting the data. I think 5 degree best fits the data because the Root-Mean-Square Error ( $E_{RMS}$ ) of 5 degree polynomial function is relatively smaller and it needs relatively less calculations.

**Part c(i):**

The closed form solution of the ridge regression is:

$$W_{ML} = (\Phi^T \Phi + \lambda I)^{-1} \Phi^T y \quad (7)$$

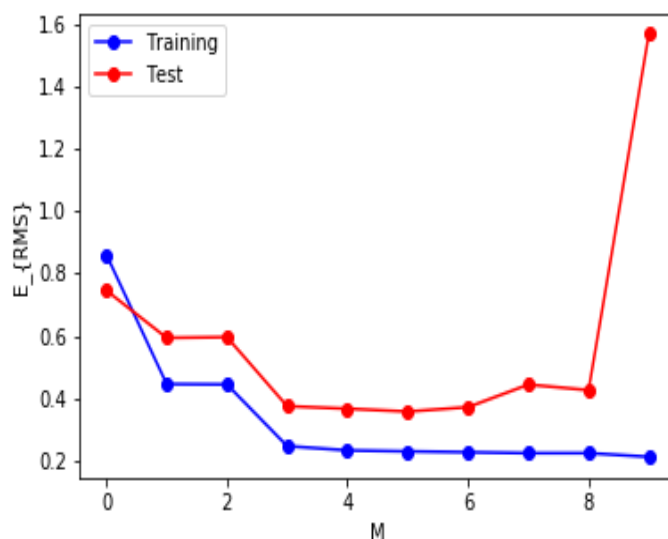


Figure 1: The trend of  $E_{RMS}$  changing with regularization factor  $\lambda$  using closed form solution

**Part c(ii):**

As shown in Fig. 2, the closed form solution reaches the lowest test  $E_{RMS}$  at  $\lambda = 10^{-4}$ , so  $\lambda = 10^{-4}$  seemed to work the best.

## Problem 2

Softmax Regression via Gradient Ascent

**Solution**

**Part a:**

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}_m} l(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \left[ \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = m) - \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_m^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))} \right], \quad (8)$$

and we know :

$$p(y = k | \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_m^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))}, \quad (9)$$

$$l(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K \log([p(y^{(i)} = k | \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{w})]^{\mathbf{I}(y^{(i)}=k)}).$$

with (8) and (9), we can get:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}_m} l(\mathbf{w}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = k) \left[ \mathbf{w}_m^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \log(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right] \quad (10)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = k) \left[ \mathbf{w}_m^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \log(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right] \quad (11)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{k \neq m}^K \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = k) \left[ \mathbf{w}_m^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \log(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right] \right) \quad (12)$$

$$+ \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = m) \left[ \mathbf{w}_m^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \log(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right] \quad (13)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \left( - \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_{k \neq m}^K \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = k) \left[ \log(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right] \right) \quad (14)$$

$$+ \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = m) \left[ \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \log(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right] \quad (15)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = m) \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \log(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})) \right) \quad (16)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \left( \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = m) - \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))}{(1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(\mathbf{w}_j^T \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))} \right) \quad (17)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) \left( \mathbf{I}(y^{(i)} = m) - p(y^{(i)} = m | \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{w}) \right) \quad (18)$$

Part b:

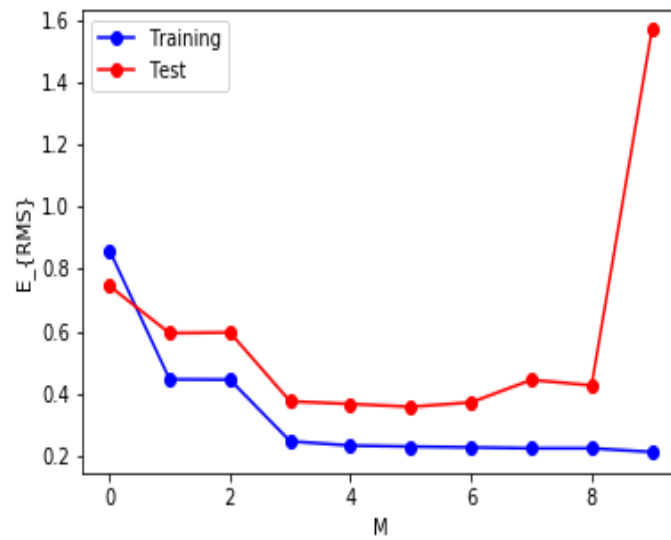


Figure 2: The trend of  $E_{RMS}$  changing with regularization factor  $\lambda$  using closed form solution

## Problem 3

Gaussian Discriminate Analysis

**Solution**

**Part a:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(y = 1|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) &= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y = 1)p(y = 1)}{p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} \\
 &= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y = 1)p(y = 1)}{p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y = 1)p(y = 1) + p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}|y = 0)p(y = 0)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{M}{2}}|\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1))\phi}{\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{M}{2}}|\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1))\phi + \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{M}{2}}|\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0))(1 - \phi)} \\
 &= \frac{\exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1))\phi}{\exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1))\phi + \exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0))(1 - \phi)}
 \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Then, we can assume that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log \frac{p(y = 1|\mathbf{x}^{(i)})}{p(y = 0|\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} &= \log \frac{\exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1))}{\exp(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0))} + \log \frac{p(y = 1)}{p(y = 0)} \\
 &= (-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_1)) - (-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_0))
 \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

The sum squared error:

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - h(x^{(i)}))^2 \tag{21}$$

From eq(18) and eq(21), we can get the partial derivation of L:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial L}{\partial \omega_0} &= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)} - \omega_0)^2}{\partial \omega_0} \\
 &= - \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)} - \omega_0) \\
 &= N\omega_0 + \omega_1 \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} - \sum_{i=1}^N y^{(i)} \\
 &= N(\omega_0 + \omega_1 \bar{X} - \bar{Y}) \\
 \frac{\partial L}{\partial \omega_1} &= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)} - \omega_0)^2}{\partial \omega_1} \tag{22} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} (y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)} - \omega_0) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N (x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)2} - \omega_0 x^{(i)}) \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N (x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)2}) - N\omega_0 \bar{X}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{X}$  is the mean of  $\{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(N)}\}$  and  $\bar{Y}$  is the mean of  $\{y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(N)}\}$ . Let the partial derivation of L be equal to zero, respectively, the solution for  $\omega_0$  and  $\omega_1$  for this 1D case of linear regression is derived as follow:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial L}{\partial \omega_0} &= N(\omega_0 + \omega_1 \bar{X} - \bar{Y}) = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow \omega_0 &= \bar{Y} - \omega_1 \bar{X}
 \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial L}{\partial \omega_1} &= \sum_{i=1}^N (x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)2}) - N\omega_0 \bar{X} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N (x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)2}) - N(\bar{Y} - \omega_1 \bar{X}) \bar{X} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^N (x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - \omega_1 x^{(i)2}) - N\bar{Y} \bar{X} + N\omega_1 \bar{X}^2 = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow \omega_1 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - N\bar{Y} \bar{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)2} - N\bar{X}^2} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} y^{(i)} - \bar{Y} \bar{X}}{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)2} - \bar{X}^2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

**Part b(i):**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^T \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T
\end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{z} &= \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{z} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{z} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i \|\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{z}\|_2^2, (\mathbf{z} \neq 0)
\end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

It is obviously that  $\sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i \|\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{z}\|_2^2 > 0$  iff  $\lambda_i > 0$  for each  $i$ . So,  $\mathbf{A}$  is PD iff  $\lambda_i > 0$  for each  $i$ .

**Part b(ii):**

The matrix  $\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi}$  is real and symmetric, so it can be expressed by  $\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{U}^T$ , so

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{z} &= \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{z} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i^2 \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{z} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^d \lambda_i^2 \|\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{z}\|_2^2 \geq 0, (\mathbf{z} \neq 0)
\end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{z}^T (\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} + \beta \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{z} &= \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{U} (\mathbf{\Lambda} + \beta \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{z} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^d (\lambda_i^2 + \beta) \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{z} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^d (\lambda_i^2 + \beta) \|\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{z}\|_2^2 > 0, (\mathbf{z} \neq 0),
\end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

because  $(\lambda_i^2 + \beta)$  always larger than zero. Hence, for any  $\beta > 0$ , ridge regression makes the matrix  $\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi} + \beta \mathbf{I}$  PD.