

10-601: Machine Learning Homework 3

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I. POLICY ON COLLABORATION

(1) Did you receive any help whatsoever from anyone in solving this assignment? Yes / No. If you answered yes, give full details: (e.g. Jane explained to me what is asked in Question 3.4)

Answer: No.

(2) Did you give any help whatsoever to anyone in solving this assignment? Yes / No. If you answered yes, give full details: (e.g. I pointed Joe to section 2.3 to help him with Question 2.

Answer: No.

II. LOGISTIC REGRESSION WITH L_2 REGULARIZATION

(1) Find λ Based on 10-fold Cross-Validation

In order to find the best regularization coefficient λ , I implemented 10-fold Cross-Validation(CV) on training dataset. To do this, I tried $\lambda = 10^{-7}, 10^{-6}, 10^{-5}, 10^{-4}, 10^{-3}, 0.01, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5$, and 1 respectively. Run 10-fold Cross-Validation(CV) using each λ respectively, and got the averaged results of each fold in CV. And then plot the relationship between accuracy and λ s, results are shown in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2(using \log_{10} of λ as X-axis).

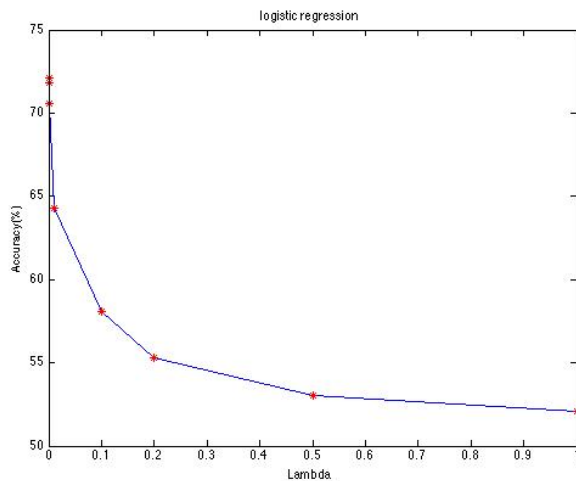


Fig. 1. Relationship between Accuracy and Regularization Coefficient λ

As it shown in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2, we can clearly see that accuracy is decreasing as the value of λ increases when λ larger than 10^{-4} based on training dataset. But the value of accuracy doesn't change obviously when λ is less than 10^{-4} . And it will consume more time using a very small λ . So in this

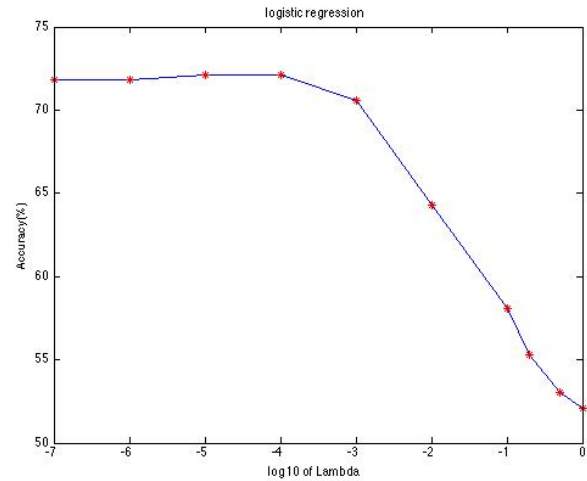


Fig. 2. Relationship between Accuracy and $\log_{10}\lambda$

case, $\lambda = 10^{-4}$ seems to be the best regularization coefficient as long as I have tried. Therefore, I chose 10^{-4} as λ in lr_train function.

(2) Test Logistic Regression Algorithm

By using $\lambda = 10^{-4}$, I tested my model with Xtest and Ytest. The result is :

P:0.762, R:0.713, A:0.727

Since the algorithm randomly shuffles training set every-time, the results of each time running the algorithm will be slightly different. However, all the test results of accuracy are around 72% when λ is 10^{-4} .