

Introduction to Machine Learning: Linear Learners

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 - ▶ The model used in the frog's perception example is called *Naive Bayes*: It measures compatibility of inputs to outputs by a **linear model** and optimizes parameters by **convex optimization**

Lecture Outline

- ▶ Preliminaries
 - ▶ Data: input/output
 - ▶ Feature representations
 - ▶ Linear models
- ▶ Convex optimization for linear models
 - ▶ Naive Bayes
 - ▶ Generative versus discriminative
 - ▶ Logistic Regression
 - ▶ Perceptron
 - ▶ Large-Margin Learners (SVMs)
- ▶ Regularization
- ▶ Online learning
- ▶ Non-linear models

Inputs and Outputs

- ▶ Input: $x \in \mathcal{X}$
 - ▶ e.g., document or sentence with some words $x = w_1 \dots w_n$
- ▶ Output: $y \in \mathcal{Y}$
 - ▶ e.g., document class, translation, parse tree
- ▶ Input/Output pair: $(x, y) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$
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- ▶ For any vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, let \mathbf{v}_j be the j^{th} value

Examples

- ▶ x is a document and y is a label

$$\phi_j(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ contains the word "interest"} \\ & \text{and } y = \text{"financial"} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We expect this feature to have a positive weight, “interest” is a positive indicator for the label “financial”

Examples

$\phi_j(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \%$ of words in \mathbf{x} containing punctuation and $\mathbf{y} = \text{"scientific"}$

Punctuation symbols - positive indicator or negative indicator for scientific articles?

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- ▶ x is a word and y is a part-of-speech tag

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What weight would it get?

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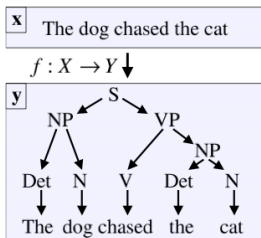
- ▶ x is a source sentence and y is translation

$$\phi_j(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if "y a-t-il" present in } x \\ & \text{and "are there" present in } y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\phi_k(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if "y a-t-il" present in } x \\ & \text{and "are there any" present in } y \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Which phrase indicator should be preferred?

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$$\Psi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} S \rightarrow NP VP \\ S \rightarrow NP \\ NP \rightarrow Det N \\ VP \rightarrow V NP \\ \\ Det \rightarrow dog \\ Det \rightarrow the \\ N \rightarrow dog \\ V \rightarrow chased \\ N \rightarrow cat \end{matrix}$$

Note: Label \mathbf{y} includes sentence \mathbf{x}

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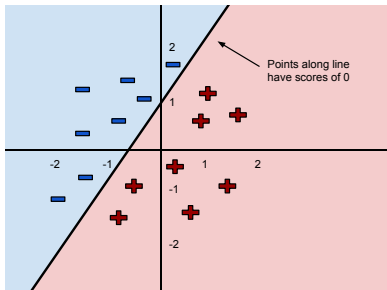
- ▶ Let $\omega \in \mathbb{R}^m$ be a high dimensional weight vector
- ▶ Assume that ω is known
 - ▶ **Multiclass Classification:** $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1, \dots, N\}$

$$y = \arg \max_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}} \omega \cdot \phi(x, y')$$

- ▶ **Binary Classification** just a special case of multiclass

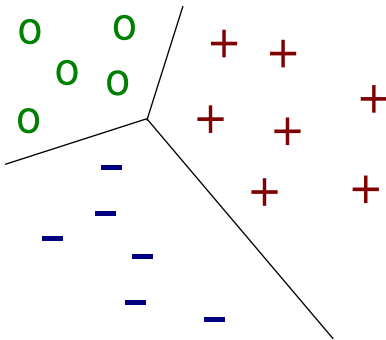
Linear Models for Binary Classification

- ▶ ω defines a linear decision boundary that divides space of instances in two classes
 - ▶ 2 dimensions: line
 - ▶ 3 dimensions: plane
 - ▶ n dimensions: hyperplane of $n - 1$ dimensions



Multiclass Linear Model

Defines regions of space. Visualization difficult.



- ▶ $+$ are all points (x, y) where $+$ = $\arg \max_y \omega \cdot \phi(x, y)$

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 - ▶ $\omega = \arg \max \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega)$
 - ▶ Equivalently minimize: $\omega = \arg \min -\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega)$

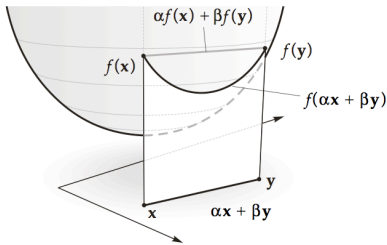
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- ▶ Example:
 - ▶ $y \in \{1, -1\}$, $f(x; \omega)$ is the prediction we make for x using ω
 - ▶ 0-1 loss function: $\text{loss}((x, y); \omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } f(x; \omega) = y, \\ 1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

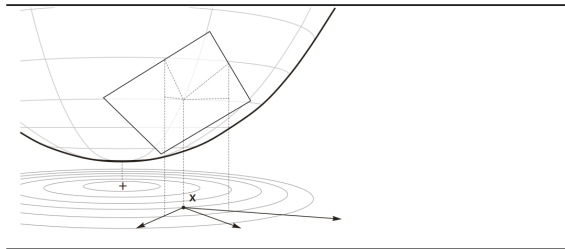
Convexity



- ▶ A function is convex if its graph lies on or below the line segment connecting any two points on the graph

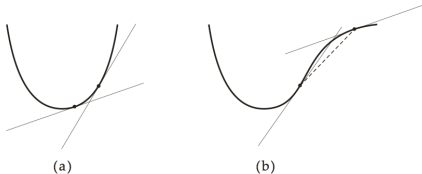
$$f(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \alpha f(x) + \beta f(y) \text{ for all } \alpha, \beta \geq 0, \alpha + \beta = 1 \quad (1)$$

Gradient



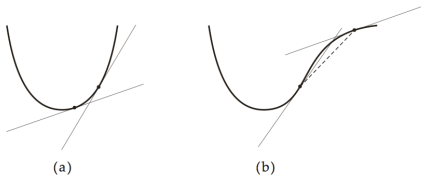
- ▶ Gradient of function f is vector of partial derivatives.
$$\nabla f(x) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f(x), \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} f(x), \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} f(x) \right)$$
- ▶ Rate of increase of f at point x in each of the axis-parallel directions.

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 - ▶ In order to find minimum, **follow opposite direction of gradient**
 - ▶ For convex (or linear) functions, **global minimum at point where $\nabla f(x) = 0$**

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- ▶ Probabilistic decision model:

$$\arg \max_{\mathbf{y}} P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) \propto \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}} P(\mathbf{y})P(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})$$

- ▶ Uses Bayes Rule:

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{y})P(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})}{P(\mathbf{x})} \text{ for fixed } \mathbf{x}$$

- ▶ Generative model since $P(\mathbf{y})P(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}) = P(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is a joint probability
 - ▶ Because we model a distribution that can randomly generate outputs *and* inputs, not just outputs

Naivety of Naive Bayes

- ▶ We need to decide on the structure of $P(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$
- ▶ $P(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}) = P(\phi(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{y}) = P(\phi_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \phi_m(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{y})$

Naive Bayes Assumption

(conditional independence)

$$P(\phi_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \phi_m(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{y}) = \prod_i P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{y})$$

- ▶ $P(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = P(\mathbf{y}) \prod_{i=1}^m P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{y})$

Naive Bayes – Learning

- ▶ Input: $\mathcal{T} = \{(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)\}_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|}$
- ▶ Let $\phi_i(\mathbf{x}) \in \{1, \dots, F_i\}$
- ▶ Parameters $\mathcal{P} = \{P(\mathbf{y}), P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{y})\}$

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

- ▶ What's left? Defining an objective $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T})$
- ▶ \mathcal{P} plays the role of ω
- ▶ What objective to use?
- ▶ Objective: Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}) = \prod_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} P(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) = \prod_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \left(P(\mathbf{y}_t) \prod_{i=1}^m P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t) | \mathbf{y}_t) \right)$$

Naive Bayes – Learning

MLE has **closed form solution**

$$\mathcal{P} = \arg \max_{\mathcal{P}} \prod_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \left(P(\mathbf{y}_t) \prod_{i=1}^m P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t) | \mathbf{y}_t) \right)$$

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$$\text{where } \mathbb{I}[p] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \text{ is true,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Thus, these are just normalized counts over events in \mathcal{T}

Deriving MLE

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 &= \arg \max_{\mathcal{P}} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \left(\log P(\mathbf{y}_t) + \sum_{i=1}^m \log P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t) | \mathbf{y}_t) \right) \\
 &= \arg \max_{P(\mathbf{y})} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \log P(\mathbf{y}_t) + \arg \max_{P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x}) | \mathbf{y})} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \sum_{i=1}^m \log P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t) | \mathbf{y}_t)
 \end{aligned}$$

such that $\sum_{\mathbf{y}} P(\mathbf{y}) = 1$, $\sum_{j=1}^{F_i} P(\phi_i(\mathbf{x}) = j | \mathbf{y}) = 1$, $P(\cdot) \geq 0$

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Both optimizations are of the form

$$\arg \max_P \sum_v \text{count}(v) \log P(v), \text{ s.t. } \sum_v P(v) = 1, P(v) \geq 0$$

where v is event in \mathcal{T} , either $(\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{y})$ or $(\phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t) = \phi_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{y})$

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- ▶ Derivative w.r.t $P(v)$ is $\frac{\text{count}(v)}{P(v)} - \lambda$
- ▶ Setting this to zero $P(v) = \frac{\text{count}(v)}{\lambda}$
- ▶ Use $\sum_v P(v) = 1, P(v) \geq 0$, then $P(v) = \frac{\text{count}(v)}{\sum_{v'} \text{count}(v')}$

Deriving MLE

Reinstantiate events v in \mathcal{T} :

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \arg \max_y P(y|\phi(x)) &\propto \arg \max_y P(\phi(x), y) = \arg \max_y P(y) \prod_{i=1}^m P(\phi_i(x)|y) \\
 &= \arg \max_y \log P(y) + \sum_{i=1}^m \log P(\phi_i(x)|y) \\
 &= \arg \max_y \omega_y + \sum_{i=1}^m \omega_{\phi_i(x), y} \\
 &= \arg \max_y \sum_{y'} \omega_y \psi_{y'}(y) + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{F_i} \omega_{\phi_i(x), y} \psi_{i,j}(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\psi_{i,j}(x) = \mathbb{I}[\phi_i(x) = j]$, $\psi_{y'}(y) = \mathbb{I}[y = y']$

Discriminative versus Generative Models

- ▶ Generative models attempt to model inputs and outputs
 - ▶ e.g., Naive Bayes = MLE of joint distribution $P(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$
 - ▶ Statistical model must explain generation of input
- ▶ Occam's Razor: "Among competing hypotheses, the one with the fewest assumptions should be selected"
- ▶ Discriminative models
 - ▶ Use \mathcal{L} that directly optimizes $P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$ (or something related)
 - ▶ Logistic Regression – MLE of $P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$
 - ▶ Perceptron and SVMs – minimize classification error
- ▶ Generative and discriminative models use $P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$ for prediction
- ▶ Differ only on what distribution they use to set ω

Logistic Regression

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Define a conditional probability:

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}}}, \quad \text{where } Z_{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} e^{\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}')}$$

Note: still a linear model

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}} P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}} \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}}} \\ &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}} e^{\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})} \\ &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}} \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{aligned}$$

Logistic Regression

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}}}$$

- ▶ Q: How do we learn weights $\boldsymbol{\omega}$
- ▶ A: Set weights to maximize log-likelihood of training data:

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\omega} &= \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \boldsymbol{\omega}) \\ &= \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \prod_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} P(\mathbf{y}_t | \mathbf{x}_t) = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \log P(\mathbf{y}_t | \mathbf{x}_t)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ In a nutshell we set the weights $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ so that we assign as much probability to the correct label \mathbf{y} for each \mathbf{x} in the training set

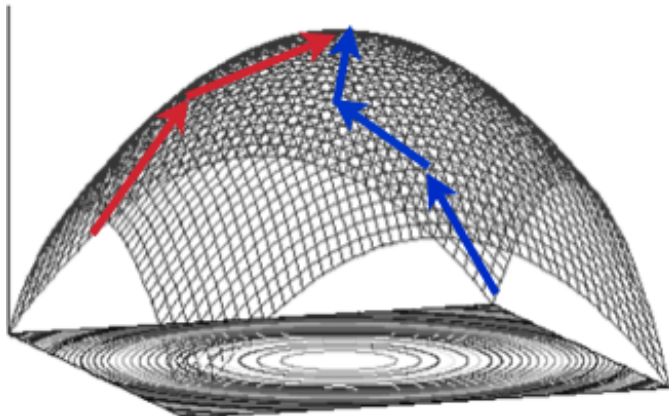
Logistic Regression

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$$\omega = \arg \max_{\omega} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \log P(y_t|x_t) (*)$$

- ▶ The objective function (*) is concave
- ▶ Therefore there is a global maximum
- ▶ No closed form solution, but lots of numerical techniques
 - ▶ Gradient methods (gradient ascent, conjugate gradient, iterative scaling)
 - ▶ Newton methods (limited-memory quasi-newton)

Gradient Ascent



Gradient Ascent

- ▶ Let $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) = \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \log(e^{\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)} / Z_x)$
- ▶ Want to find $\arg \max_{\omega} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega)$
 - ▶ Set $\omega^0 = O^m$
 - ▶ Iterate until convergence

$$\omega^i = \omega^{i-1} + \alpha \nabla \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega^{i-1})$$

- ▶ $\alpha > 0$ is a step size / learning rate
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Gradient Descent

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The partial derivatives

- ▶ Need to find all partial derivatives $\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) &= \sum_t \log P(\mathbf{y}_t | \mathbf{x}_t) \\ &= \sum_t \log \frac{e^{\omega \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{\sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} e^{\omega \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')}} \\ &= \sum_t \log \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}}\end{aligned}$$

Partial derivatives - some reminders

$$1. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \log F = \frac{1}{F} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F$$

► We always assume log is the natural logarithm \log_e

$$2. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} e^F = e^F \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F$$

$$3. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sum_t F_t = \sum_t \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_t$$

$$4. \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{F}{G} = \frac{G \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F - F \frac{\partial}{\partial x} G}{G^2}$$

The partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) =$$

The partial derivatives (1)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \sum_t \log \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} \\
 &= \sum_t \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \log \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} \\
 &= \sum_t \left(\frac{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}}{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}} \right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

The partial derivatives

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_j} \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} =$$

The partial derivatives (2)

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} &= \frac{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)} - e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}^2} \\
 &= \frac{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}^2} \\
 &= \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}^2} \left(Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} \right) \\
 &= \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}^2} \left(Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}') \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

because

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')} = \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')$$

The partial derivatives

The partial derivatives (3)

From (2),

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} = \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}^2} (Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}'))$$

Sub this in (1),

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) &= \sum_t \left(\frac{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}}{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}} \right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} \right) \\ &= \sum_t \frac{1}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} (Z_{\mathbf{x}_t} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')) \\ &= \sum_t \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \sum_t \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} \frac{e^{\sum_j \omega_j \times \phi_j(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}_t}} \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}') \\ &= \sum_t \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \sum_t \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} P(\mathbf{y}' | \mathbf{x}_t) \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}') \end{aligned}$$

FINALLY!!!

- ▶ After all that,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) = \sum_t \phi_i(x_t, y_t) - \sum_t \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}} P(y'|x_t) \phi_i(x_t, y')$$

- ▶ And the gradient is:

$$\nabla \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_0} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega), \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_1} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega), \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_m} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) \right)$$

- ▶ So we can now use gradient ascent to find ω !!

Logistic Regression Summary

- ▶ Define conditional probability

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}}{Z_{\mathbf{x}}}$$

- ▶ Set weights to maximize log-likelihood of training data:

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \sum_t \log P(\mathbf{y}_t | \mathbf{x}_t)$$

- ▶ Can find the gradient and run gradient ascent (or any gradient-based optimization algorithm)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \boldsymbol{\omega}) = \sum_t \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \sum_t \sum_{\mathbf{y}' \in \mathcal{Y}} P(\mathbf{y}' | \mathbf{x}_t) \phi_i(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')$$

Logistic Regression = Maximum Entropy

- ▶ Well-known equivalence
- ▶ Max Ent: maximize entropy subject to constraints on features: $P = \arg \max_P H(P)$ under constraints
 - ▶ Empirical feature counts must equal expected counts
- ▶ Quick intuition
 - ▶ Partial derivative in logistic regression

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \omega_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) = \sum_t \phi_i(x_t, y_t) - \sum_t \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}} P(y'|x_t) \phi_i(x_t, y')$$

- ▶ First term is empirical feature counts and second term is expected counts
- ▶ Derivative set to zero maximizes function
- ▶ Therefore when both counts are equivalent, we optimize the logistic regression objective!

Perceptron

Perceptron Learning Algorithm

Training data: $\mathcal{T} = \{(x_t, y_t)\}_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|}$

1. $\omega^{(0)} = 0; i = 0$
2. for $n : 1..N$
3. for $t : 1..T$
4. Let $y' = \arg \max_{y'} \omega^{(i)} \cdot \phi(x_t, y')$
5. if $y' \neq y_t$
6. $\omega^{(i+1)} = \omega^{(i)} + \phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')$
7. $i = i + 1$
8. return ω^i

Perceptron: Separability and Margin

- ▶ Given an training instance (x_t, y_t) , define:
 - ▶ $\bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t = \mathcal{Y} - \{y_t\}$
 - ▶ i.e., $\bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$ is the set of incorrect labels for x_t
- ▶ A training set \mathcal{T} is separable with margin $\gamma > 0$ if there exists a vector \mathbf{u} with $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 1$ such that:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \mathbf{u} \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq \gamma \quad (2)$$

for all $y' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$ and $\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{\sum_j \mathbf{u}_j^2}$

- ▶ **Assumption:** the training set is separable with margin γ

Perceptron: Main Theorem

- ▶ **Theorem:** For any training set separable with a margin of γ , the following holds for the perceptron algorithm:

$$\text{mistakes made during training} \leq \frac{R^2}{\gamma^2}$$

where $R \geq \|\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}')\|$ for all $(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \in \mathcal{T}$ and $\mathbf{y}' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$

- ▶ Thus, after a finite number of training iterations, the error on the training set will converge to zero
- ▶ **Let's prove it!**

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$\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k)} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k-1)} + \mathbf{u} \cdot (\phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')) \geq \mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k-1)} + \gamma$, by (2)

Since $\omega^{(0)} = 0$ and $\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(0)} = 0$, for all k : $\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k)} \geq k\gamma$, by induction on k

Since $\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k)} \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \times \|\omega^{(k)}\|$, by the law of cosines, and $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 1$, then

$\|\omega^{(k)}\| \geq k\gamma$

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$\omega^{(k-1)} + \phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k)} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k-1)} + \mathbf{u} \cdot (\phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')) \geq \mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k-1)} + \gamma, \text{ by (2)}$$

Since $\omega^{(0)} = 0$ and $\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(0)} = 0$, for all k : $\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k)} \geq k\gamma$, by induction on k

Since $\mathbf{u} \cdot \omega^{(k)} \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \times \|\omega^{(k)}\|$, by the law of cosines, and $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 1$, then

$$\|\omega^{(k)}\| \geq k\gamma$$

► Upper bound:

$$\|\omega^{(k)}\|^2 = \|\omega^{(k-1)}\|^2 + \|\phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')\|^2 + 2\omega^{(k-1)} \cdot (\phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y'))$$

$$\|\omega^{(k)}\|^2 \leq \|\omega^{(k-1)}\|^2 + R^2, \text{ since } R \geq \|\phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')\|$$

$$\text{and } \omega^{(k-1)} \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega^{(k-1)} \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \leq 0$$

$$\leq kR^2 \text{ for all } k, \text{ by induction on } k$$

Perceptron Learning Algorithm

- ▶ We have just shown that $\|\omega^{(k)}\| \geq k\gamma$ and $\|\omega^{(k)}\|^2 \leq kR^2$

- ▶ Therefore,

$$k^2\gamma^2 \leq \|\omega^{(k)}\|^2 \leq kR^2$$

- ▶ and solving for k

$$k \leq \frac{R^2}{\gamma^2}$$

- ▶ Therefore the number of errors is bounded!

Perceptron Summary

- ▶ Learns parameters of a linear model by minimizing error
- ▶ Guaranteed to find a ω in a finite amount of time
- ▶ Perceptron is an example of an **Online Learning Algorithm**
 - ▶ ω is updated based on a single training instance in isolation

$$\omega^{(i+1)} = \omega^{(i)} + \phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')$$

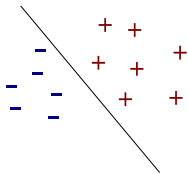
Averaged Perceptron

Training data: $\mathcal{T} = \{(x_t, y_t)\}_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|}$

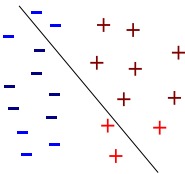
1. $\omega^{(0)} = 0; i = 0$
2. for $n : 1..N$
3. for $t : 1..T$
4. Let $y' = \arg \max_{y'} \omega^{(i)} \cdot \phi(x_t, y')$
5. if $y' \neq y_t$
6. $\omega^{(i+1)} = \omega^{(i)} + \phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y')$
7. else
6. $\omega^{(i+1)} = \omega^{(i)}$
7. $i = i + 1$
8. return $(\sum_i \omega^{(i)}) / (N \times T)$

Margin

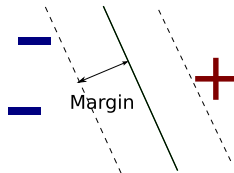
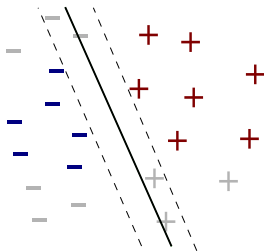
Training



Testing



Denote the value of the margin by γ



Maximizing Margin

- ▶ For a training set \mathcal{T}
- ▶ Margin of a weight vector ω is smallest γ such that

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq \gamma$$

- ▶ for every training instance $(x_t, y_t) \in \mathcal{T}$, $y' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$

Maximizing Margin

- ▶ Intuitively maximizing margin makes sense
- ▶ By cross-validation, the generalization error on unseen test data can be shown to be proportional to the inverse of the margin

$$\epsilon \propto \frac{R^2}{\gamma^2 \times |\mathcal{T}|}$$

- ▶ **Perceptron:** we have shown that:
 - ▶ If a training set is separable by some margin, the perceptron will find a ω that separates the data
 - ▶ However, the perceptron does not pick ω to maximize the margin!

Support Vector Machines (SVMs)

Maximizing Margin

Let $\gamma > 0$

$$\max_{\|\omega\|=1} \gamma$$

such that:

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq \gamma$$

$$\forall (x_t, y_t) \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$\text{and } y' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$$

- ▶ Note: algorithm still **minimizes error** if data is separable
- ▶ $\|\omega\|$ is bound since scaling trivially produces larger margin

$$\beta(\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y')) \geq \beta\gamma, \text{ for some } \beta \geq 1$$

Max Margin = Min Norm

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Change variables: $\mathbf{u} = \frac{\omega}{\gamma}$

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$$\text{then } \gamma = 1/\|\mathbf{u}\|$$

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Change variables: $\mathbf{u} = \frac{\omega}{\gamma}$

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$$\text{then } \gamma = 1/\|\mathbf{u}\|$$

Min Norm (step 2):

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}} \|\mathbf{u}\|$$

such that:

$$\gamma \mathbf{u} \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \gamma \mathbf{u} \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq \gamma$$

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Min Norm (step 3):

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{u}\|^2$$

such that:

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- Intuition: Instead of fixing $\|\omega\|$ we fix the margin $\gamma = 1$

Support Vector Machines

► Constrained Optimization Problem

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega} \frac{1}{2} \|\omega\|^2$$

such that:

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq 1$$

$$\forall (x_t, y_t) \in \mathcal{T} \text{ and } y' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$$

► Support Vectors: Examples where

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') = 1$$

for training instance $(x_t, y_t) \in \mathcal{T}$ and all $y' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$

Support Vector Machines

- ▶ What if data is not separable?

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega, \xi} \frac{1}{2} \|\omega\|^2 + \textcolor{red}{C} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \xi_t$$

such that:

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq \textcolor{red}{1} - \xi_t \text{ and } \xi_t \geq \textcolor{red}{0}$$

$$\forall (x_t, y_t) \in \mathcal{T} \text{ and } y' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$$

- ▶ ξ_t : slack variable representing amount of constraint violation
- ▶ If data is separable, optimal solution has $\xi_i = 0, \forall i$
 $\textcolor{red}{C}$ balances focus on margin and on error

Support Vector Machines

- What if data is not separable?

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega, \xi} \frac{1}{2} \|\omega\|^2 + C \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \xi_t$$

such that:

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq 1 - \xi_t \text{ and } \xi_t \geq 0$$

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- ξ_t : slack variable representing amount of constraint violation
- If data is separable, optimal solution has $\xi_i = 0, \forall i$
 C balances focus on margin ($C < \frac{1}{2}$) and on error ($C > \frac{1}{2}$)

Support Vector Machines

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega, \xi} \frac{1}{2} \|\omega\|^2 + C \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \xi_t$$

such that:

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq 1 - \xi_t$$

where $\xi_t \geq 0$ and $\forall (x_t, y_t) \in \mathcal{T}$ and $y' \in \bar{\mathcal{Y}}_t$

- ▶ Computing the dual form results in a **quadratic programming problem** – a well-known convex optimization problem
- ▶ Can we have representation of this objective that allows more direct optimization?

Support Vector Machines

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such that:

$$\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \max_{y' \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') \geq 1 - \xi_t$$

Support Vector Machines

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega, \xi} \frac{1}{2} \|\omega\|^2 + C \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \xi_t$$

such that:

$$\xi_t \geq 1 + \underbrace{\max_{y' \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)}_{\text{negated margin for example}}$$

Support Vector Machines

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega, \xi} \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2 + \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \xi_t \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{C}$$

such that:

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Support Vector Machines

$$\xi_t \geq 1 + \underbrace{\max_{y' \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)}_{\text{negated margin for example}}$$

- ▶ If $\|\omega\|$ classifies (x_t, y_t) with margin 1, penalty $\xi_t = 0$
- ▶ Otherwise: $\xi_t = 1 + \max_{y' \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)$
- ▶ That means that in the end ξ_t will be:

$$\xi_t = \max\{0, 1 + \max_{y' \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)\}$$

Support Vector Machines

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega, \xi} \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2 + \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \xi_t \text{ s.t. } \xi_t \geq 1 + \max_{y' \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)$$

Hinge loss

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &= \arg \min_{\omega} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) = \arg \min_{\omega} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \text{loss}((x_t, y_t); \omega) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2 \\ &= \arg \min_{\omega} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \max(0, 1 + \max_{y' \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y') - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)) \right) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

- Hinge loss allows **unconstrained optimization** (later!)

Summary

What we have covered

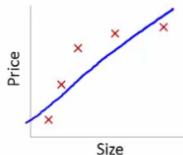
- ▶ Linear Models
 - ▶ Naive Bayes
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 - ▶ Support Vector Machines

What is next

- ▶ Regularization
- ▶ Online learning
- ▶ Non-linear models

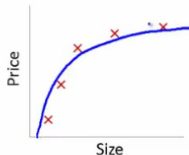
Regularization

Fit of a Model



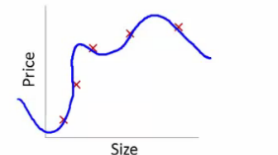
$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

High bias
(underfit)



$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2$$

"Just right"

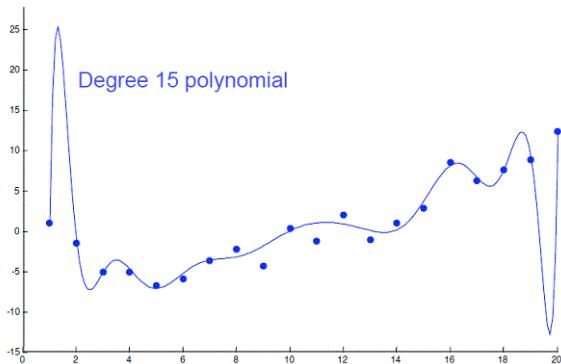


$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2 + \theta_3 x^3 + \theta_4 x^4$$

High variance
(overfit)

- ▶ Two sources of error:
 - ▶ Bias error, measures how well the hypothesis class fits the space we are trying to model
 - ▶ Variance error, measures sensitivity to training set selection
 - ▶ Want to balance these two things

Fit of a Model



Overfitting

- ▶ Early in lecture we made assumption data was i.i.d.
 - ▶ Rarely is this true, e.g., syntactic analyzers typically trained on 40,000 sentences from early 1990s WSJ news text
- ▶ Even more common: \mathcal{T} is very small
 - ▶ This leads to **overfitting**
- ▶ E.g.: 'fake' is never a verb in WSJ treebank (only adjective)
 - ▶ High weight on " $\phi(x, y) = 1$ if x =fake and y =adjective"
 - ▶ Of course: leads to high log-likelihood / low error
 - ▶ Other features might be more indicative, e.g., adjacent word identities: 'He wants to X his death' \rightarrow X=verb

Regularization

- ▶ In practice, we **regularize** models to prevent overfitting

$$\arg \max_{\omega} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) - \lambda \mathcal{R}(\omega)$$

- ▶ Where $\mathcal{R}(\omega)$ is the regularization function
- ▶ λ controls how much to regularize
- ▶ Most common regularizer
 - ▶ L2: $\mathcal{R}(\omega) \propto \|\omega\|_2 = \|\omega\| = \sqrt{\sum_i \omega_i^2}$ – smaller weights desired

Logistic Regression with L2 Regularization

- ▶ Perhaps most common learner in NLP

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) - \lambda \mathcal{R}(\omega) = \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \log \left(e^{\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)} / Z_x \right) - \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2$$

- ▶ What are the new partial derivatives?

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) - \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \lambda \mathcal{R}(\omega)$$

- ▶ We know $\frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega)$

- ▶ Just need $\frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \frac{\lambda}{2} \left(\sqrt{\sum_i \omega_i^2} \right)^2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_i \omega_i^2 = \lambda \omega_i$

Support Vector Machines

- ▶ SVM in hinge-loss formulation: L2 regularization corresponds to margin maximization!

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \boldsymbol{\omega}) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(\boldsymbol{\omega})$$

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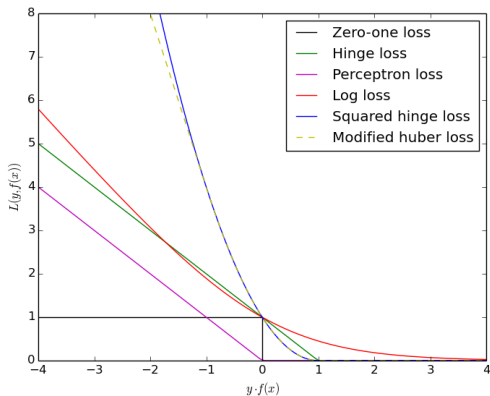
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Logistic Regression/**log-loss**: $-\log(e^{\omega \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)} / Z_{\mathbf{x}})$

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} -\log(e^{\omega \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)} / Z_{\mathbf{x}}) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2$$

Summary: Loss Functions

$$\omega = \arg \min_{\omega} \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(\omega) = \arg \min_{\omega} \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \text{loss}((x_t, y_t); \omega) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(\omega)$$



Online Learning

Online vs. Batch Learning

Batch(\mathcal{T});

- ▶ for 1 ... N
 - ▶ $\omega \leftarrow \text{update}(\mathcal{T}; \omega)$
- ▶ return ω

E.g., SVMs, logistic regression, Naive Bayes

Online(\mathcal{T});

- ▶ for 1 ... N
 - ▶ for $(x_t, y_t) \in \mathcal{T}$
 - ▶ $\omega \leftarrow \text{update}((x_t, y_t); \omega)$
 - ▶ end for
- ▶ end for
- ▶ return ω

E.g., Perceptron

$$\omega = \omega + \phi(x_t, y_t) - \phi(x_t, y)$$

Batch Gradient Descent

- ▶ Let $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) = \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \text{loss}((x_t, y_t); \omega)$
 - ▶ Set $\omega^0 = O^m$
 - ▶ Iterate until convergence

$$\begin{aligned}\omega^i &= \omega^{i-1} - \alpha \nabla \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega^{i-1}) \\ &= \omega^{i-1} - \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \alpha \nabla \text{loss}((x_t, y_t); \omega^{i-1})\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ $\alpha > 0$ and set so that $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega^i) < \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega^{i-1})$

Stochastic Gradient Descent

- ▶ Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)
 - ▶ Approximate batch gradient $\nabla \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega)$ with **stochastic gradient** $\nabla \text{loss}((\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t); \omega)$
- ▶ Let $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{T}; \omega) = \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|} \text{loss}((\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t); \omega)$
 - ▶ Set $\omega^0 = O^m$
 - ▶ iterate until convergence
 - ▶ sample $(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \in \mathcal{T}$
 - ▶ $\omega^i = \omega^{i-1} - \alpha \nabla \text{loss}((\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t); \omega^{i-1})$ // “stochastic”
 - ▶ return ω

Online Logistic Regression

- ▶ Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)
- ▶ $loss((x_t, y_t); \omega) = \text{log-loss}$
- ▶ $\nabla loss((x_t, y_t); \omega) = \nabla \left(-\log \left(e^{\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)} / Z_{x_t} \right) \right)$
- ▶ From logistic regression section:

$$\nabla \left(-\log \left(e^{\omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)} / Z_{x_t} \right) \right) = - \left(\phi(x_t, y_t) - \sum_y P(y|x) \phi(x_t, y) \right)$$

- ▶ Plus regularization term (if part of model)

Online SVMs

- ▶ Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)
- ▶ $loss((x_t, y_t); \omega) = \text{hinge-loss}$

$$\nabla loss((x_t, y_t); \omega) = \nabla \left(\max(0, 1 + \max_{y \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)) \right)$$

- ▶ Subgradient is:

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla \left(\max(0, 1 + \max_{y \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t)) \right) \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \max_y \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y) \geq 1 \\ \phi(x_t, y) - \phi(x_t, y_t), & \text{otherwise, where } y = \arg\max_y \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Plus regularization term (L2 norm for SVMs):

$$\nabla \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\omega\|^2 = \lambda \omega$$

Perceptron and Hinge-Loss

SVM subgradient update looks like perceptron update

$$\omega^i = \omega^{i-1} - \alpha \begin{cases} \lambda \omega, & \text{if } \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t) - \max_y \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y) \geq 1 \\ \phi(x_t, y) - \phi(x_t, y_t) + \lambda \omega, & \text{otherwise, where } y = \max_y \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y) \end{cases}$$

Perceptron

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Perceptron = SGD optimization of no-margin hinge-loss (without regularization):

$$\max (0, 1 + \max_{y \neq y_t} \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y) - \omega \cdot \phi(x_t, y_t))$$

Online vs. Batch Learning

- ▶ Online algorithms
 - ▶ Each update step relies only on the derivative for a single randomly chosen example
 - ▶ Computational cost of one step is $1/\mathcal{T}$ compared to batch
 - ▶ Easier to implement
 - ▶ Larger variance since each gradient is different
 - ▶ Variance slows down convergence
 - ▶ Requires fine-tuning of decaying learning rate
- ▶ Batch algorithms
 - ▶ Higher cost of averaging gradients over \mathcal{T} for each update
 - ▶ Implementation more complex
 - ▶ Less fine-tuning, e.g., allows constant learning rates
 - ▶ Faster convergence

Variance-Reduced Online Learning

- ▶ SGD update extended by velocity vector \mathbf{v} weighted by momentum coefficient $0 \leq \mu < 1$ [Polyak 1964]:



$$\omega^{i+1} = \omega^i - \alpha \nabla \text{loss}((\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t); \omega^i) + \mu \mathbf{v}^i$$

where

$$\mathbf{v}^i = \omega^i - \omega^{i-1}$$

- ▶ Momentum accelerates learning if gradients are aligned along same direction, and restricts changes when successive gradient are opposite of each other
 - ▶ General direction of gradient reinforced, perpendicular directions filtered out
- ▶ Best of both worlds: Efficient and effective!

Online-to-Batch Conversion

- ▶ Classical online learning:
 - ▶ data are given as an infinite sequence of input examples
 - ▶ model makes prediction on next example in sequence
- ▶ Standard NLP applications:
 - ▶ finite set of training data, prediction on new batch of test data
 - ▶ online learning applied by cycling over finite data
 - ▶ online-to-batch conversion: Which model to use at test time?
 - ▶ Last model? Random model? Best model on heldout set?

Online-to-Batch Conversion by Averaging

- ▶ Averaged Perceptron
 - ▶ $\bar{\omega} = (\sum_i \omega^{(i)}) / (N \times T)$
 - ▶ Use weight vector averaged over online updates for prediction
- ▶ How does the perceptron mistake bound carry over to batch?
 - ▶ Let M_K be number of mistakes made during online learning, then with probability of at least $1 - \delta$:

$$\mathbb{E}[\text{loss}((x, y); \bar{\omega})] \leq M_k + \sqrt{\frac{2}{k} \ln \frac{1}{\delta}}$$

- ▶ = generalization bound based on online performance
[Cesa-Bianchi et al. 2004]
- ▶ can be applied to all online learners with convex losses

Quick Summary

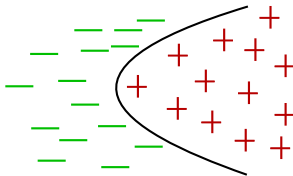
Linear Learners

- ▶ Naive Bayes, Perceptron, Logistic Regression and SVMs
- ▶ Objective functions and loss functions
- ▶ Convex Optimization
- ▶ Regularization
- ▶ Online vs. Batch learning

Non-Linear Models

Non-Linear Models

- ▶ Some data sets require more than a linear decision boundary to be correctly modeled
- ▶ Decision boundary is no longer a hyperplane in the feature space



Kernel Machines = Convex Optimization for Non-Linear Models

- ▶ Projecting a linear model into a higher dimensional feature space can correspond to a non-linear model in the original space and make non-separable problems separable
- ▶ For classifiers based on similarity functions (= kernels), computing a non-linear kernel is often more efficient than calculating the corresponding dot product in the high dimensional feature space
- ▶ Thus, kernels allow us to efficiently learn non-linear models by convex optimization

Monomial Features and Polynomial Kernels

- ▶ Monomial features = d^{th} order products of entries x_j of \mathbf{x} s.t.
 $x_{j_1} * x_{j_2} * \dots * x_{j_d}$ for $j_1, \dots, j_d \in \{1 \dots n\}$
- ▶ Ordered monomial feature map: $\phi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ s.t.
 $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto (x_1^2, x_2^2, x_1 x_2, x_2 x_1)$
- ▶ Computation of kernel from feature map:

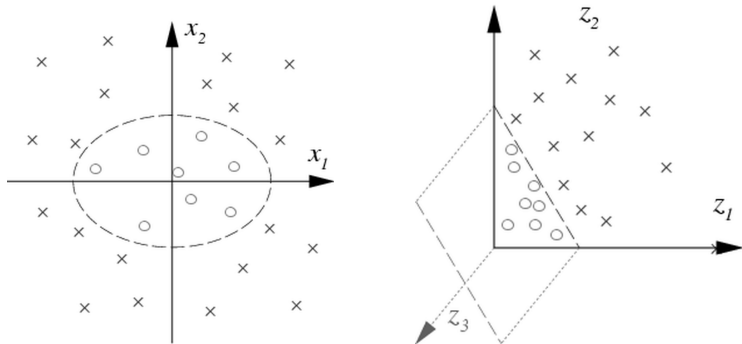
$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}') &= \sum_{i=1}^4 \phi_i(\mathbf{x}) \phi_i(\mathbf{x}') \text{ (Def. dot product)} \\
 &= x_1^2 x_1'^2 + x_2^2 x_2'^2 + x_1 x_2 x_1' x_2' + x_2 x_1 x_2' x_1' \text{ (Def. } \phi) \\
 &= x_1^2 x_1'^2 + x_2^2 x_2'^2 + 2x_1 x_2 x_1' x_2' \\
 &= (x_1 x_1' + x_2 x_2')^2
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Direct application of kernel: $\phi(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}') = (\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}')^2$

Direct Application of Kernel

- ▶ Let C_d be a map from $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ to vectors $C_d(x)$ of all d^{th} -degree ordered products of entries of x .
Then the corresponding kernel computing the dot product of vectors mapped by C_d is:
$$K(x, x') = C_d(x) \cdot C_d(x') = (x \cdot x')^d$$
- ▶ Alternative feature map satisfying this definition = unordered monomial: $\phi_2 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ s.t. $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto (x_1^2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2)$

Non-Linear Feature Map



$$\phi_2 : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ s.t. } (x_1, x_2) \mapsto (z_1, z_2, z_3) = (x_1^2, x_2^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2)$$

Kernel Definition

- ▶ A kernel is a similarity function between two points that is symmetric and positive definite, which we denote by:

$$K(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_r) \in \mathbb{R}$$

- ▶ Let M be a $n \times n$ matrix such that ...

$$M_{t,r} = K(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_r)$$

- ▶ ... for any n points. Called the **Gram matrix**.
- ▶ Symmetric:

$$K(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_r) = K(\mathbf{x}_r, \mathbf{x}_t)$$

- ▶ Positive definite: positivity on diagonal

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) \geq 0 \text{ for all } \mathbf{x} \text{ with equality only for } \mathbf{x} = 0$$

Mercer's Theorem

- ▶ **Mercer's Theorem:** for any kernel K , there exists a ϕ in some \mathbb{R}^d , such that:

$$K(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{x}_r) = \phi(\mathbf{x}_t) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_r)$$

- ▶ This means that instead of mapping input data via non-linear feature map ϕ and then computing dot product, we can apply kernels directly *without even knowing about ϕ !*

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- ▶ Define a kernel, and do not explicitly use dot product between vectors, only kernel calculations
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- ▶ Note: Since our features are over pairs (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) , we will write kernels over pairs

$$K((\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t), (\mathbf{x}_r, \mathbf{y}_r)) = \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_r, \mathbf{y}_r)$$

- ▶ Let's do it for the Perceptron!

Kernel Trick – Perceptron Algorithm

Training data: $\mathcal{T} = \{(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)\}_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|}$

1. $\boldsymbol{\omega}^{(0)} = \mathbf{0}; i = 0$
2. for $n : 1..N$
3. for $t : 1..T$
4. Let $\mathbf{y} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}} \boldsymbol{\omega}^{(i)} \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y})$
5. if $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{y}_t$
6. $\boldsymbol{\omega}^{(i+1)} = \boldsymbol{\omega}^{(i)} + \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y})$
7. $i = i + 1$
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8. return ω^i

- Each feature function $\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)$ is added and $\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y})$ is subtracted to ω say $\alpha_{\mathbf{y},t}$ times
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- ▶ Each feature function $\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t)$ is added and $\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y})$ is subtracted to $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ say $\alpha_{\mathbf{y},t}$ times
 - ▶ $\alpha_{\mathbf{y},t}$ is proportional to the # of times during learning label \mathbf{y} is predicted for example t and caused an update because of misclassification
- ▶ Thus,

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \sum_{t, \mathbf{y}} \alpha_{\mathbf{y},t} [\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y})]$$

Kernel Trick – Perceptron Algorithm

- ▶ We can re-write the argmax function as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{y}^* &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}^*} \boldsymbol{\omega}^{(i)} \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^*) \\
 &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}^*} \sum_{t, \mathbf{y}} \alpha_{\mathbf{y}, t} [\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) - \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y})] \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^*) \\
 &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}^*} \sum_{t, \mathbf{y}} \alpha_{\mathbf{y}, t} [\phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^*) - \phi(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}) \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^*)] \\
 &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{y}^*} \sum_{t, \mathbf{y}} \alpha_{\mathbf{y}, t} [\textcolor{red}{K}((\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}_t), (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^*)) - \textcolor{red}{K}((\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{y}), (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^*))]
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ We can then re-write the perceptron algorithm strictly with kernels

Kernel Trick – Perceptron Algorithm

- ▶ Training: $\mathcal{T} = \{(x_t, y_t)\}_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{T}|}$
 1. $\forall y, t$ set $\alpha_{y,t} = 0$
 2. for $n : 1..N$
 3. for $t : 1..T$
 4. Let $y^* = \arg \max_{y^*} \sum_{t,y} \alpha_{y,t} [\textcolor{red}{K}((x_t, y_t), (x_t, y^*)) - \textcolor{red}{K}((x_t, y), (x_t, y^*))]$
 5. if $y^* \neq y_t$
 6. $\alpha_{y^*,t} = \alpha_{y^*,t} + 1$

- ▶ Testing on unseen instance x :

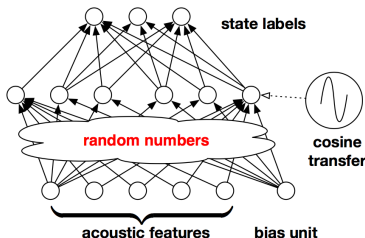
$$y^* = \arg \max_{y^*} \sum_{t,y} \alpha_{y,t} [K((x_t, y_t), (x, y^*)) - K((x_t, y), (x, y^*))]$$

Kernels Summary

- ▶ Can turn a linear model into a non-linear model
- ▶ Kernels project feature space to higher dimensions
 - ▶ Sometimes exponentially larger
 - ▶ Sometimes an infinite space!
- ▶ Can “kernelize” algorithms to make them non-linear
- ▶ Convex optimization methods still applicable to learn parameters
- ▶ Disadvantage: Exact kernel methods depend polynomially on the number of training examples - infeasible for large datasets

Kernels for Large Training Sets

- ▶ Alternative to exact kernels: Explicit randomized feature map
[Rahimi and Recht 2007]
 - ▶ Shallow neural network by random Fourier/Binning transformation:
 - ▶ Random weights from input to hidden units
 - ▶ Cosine as transfer function
 - ▶ Convex optimization of weights from hidden to output units



Summary

Basic principles of machine learning:

- ▶ To do learning, we set up an objective function that tells the fit of the model to the data
- ▶ We optimize with respect to the model (weights, probability model, etc.)
- ▶ Can do it in a batch or online (preferred!) fashion

What model to use?

- ▶ One example of a model: linear model
- ▶ Can kernelize/randomize these models to get non-linear models
- ▶ Convex optimization applicable for both types of model

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- ▶ Kernel Machines
 - ▶ Kernel Machines introduce nonlinearity by using specific feature maps or kernels
 - ▶ Feature map or kernel is not part of optimization problem, thus **convex optimization** of loss function for linear model possible
- ▶ Neural Networks
 - ▶ Similarities and nonlinear combinations of features are learned: **representation learning**
 - ▶ We lose the advantages of convex optimization since objective functions will be **nonconvex**

Wrap up and time for questions

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