

Linear Algebra

Positive (Semi)Definiteness

A positive definite $\iff x^T A x > 0 \forall x \neq 0$

A positive semidefinite $\iff x^T A x \geq 0 \forall x$

If A is positive definite:

1. A is invertible
2. \forall eigenvalues $\lambda_i, \lambda_i > 0$
3. n linearly independent vectors such that $A_{ij} = x_i^T x_j$

If A is positive semidefinite:

1. $A + \gamma I$ is positive definite for any $\gamma > 0$.

Diagonalization: If $n \times n$ matrix A has n linearly independent eigenvectors, $A = PDP^{-1}$. If A is also symmetric, $P^{-1} = P^T$, so $A = PDP^T$.

Trace Properties: $Tr(A) = a_{11} + \dots + a_{nn} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$
 $Tr(A+B) = Tr(A) + Tr(B)$
 $Tr(cA) = cTr(A)$
 $Tr(A^T) = Tr(A)$
Cyclic permutations:
 $Tr(ABCD) = Tr(BCDA) = Tr(CDAB) = Tr(DABC)$
 $Tr(XY^T) = \sum_{i,j} X_{ij} Y_{ij}$

If A is $n \times n$, $Tr(A) = \sum_i \lambda_i$, $det(A) = \prod_i \lambda_i$, $Tr(A^k) = \sum_i \lambda_i^k$
Let x be a scalar. Then $x = Tr(x)$.

Matrix Inversion Lemma

$w = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y = X^T (X X^T + \lambda I)^{-1} y$

Rayleigh Quotient: $R(M, x) = \frac{x^T M x}{x^T x}$

Probability

Expectation: $E[X] = x_1 p_1 + \dots + x_n p_n$

(Co)variance

$Cov(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])^T]$

$Cov(X) = Var(X) = E[(X - E[X])(X - E[X])^T]$

$Var(X) = E[(X - E[X])^2] = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$

$Var(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n Var(X_i) | Var(nX) = n^2 Var(X)$

Bayesian Decision Theory

$P(y|x) = \frac{P(x,y)}{P(x)} = P(x|y) \frac{P(y)}{P(x)} = \sum_i P(x|y_i) P(y_i)$

$P(x, y) = P(x|y) P(y) = P(y|x) P(x)$

Decision Boundaries

Let $P(X|w_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$, $P(w_1) = P(w_2) = 0.5$. Optimal bayes decision boundary occurs when $P(w_1|x) = P(w_2|x)$ (Pr of being classified in class 1 is equivalent to Pr classified in class 2 for a given x):
 $Pr(w_1|x) = Pr(w_2|x) \rightarrow Pr(x|w_1)Pr(w_1) = Pr(x|w_2)Pr(w_2)$
Since $Pr(w_1) = Pr(w_2)$, $Pr(x|w_1) = Pr(x|w_2)$

We know $Pr(x|w_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$: $\mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma^2) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$

Substituting equation for single-variate gaussian and cancelling terms:

$(x - \mu_1)^2 = (x - \mu_2)^2$ so $x = \frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{2}$ or in other words the mean of the

means. Our decision becomes w_1 if $x < \frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{2}$ and w_2 otherwise.

Bayes risk is defined as the probability of misclassification for the Bayes' classifier.

Maximum a Posteriori Estimation

In MAP, we have $P(\theta)$, so we find $P(\theta|x) \propto P(x|\theta)P(\theta)$. The

$\theta_{MAP} = \argmax_{\theta} P(x|\theta)P(\theta)$ and can use log for MAP estimation such that $\theta_{MAP} = \argmax_{\theta} \log P(x|\theta) + \log p(\theta)$

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

$\theta_{MLE} = \argmax_{\theta} P_{\mathcal{D}}(x|\theta) = L(\theta)$

$P_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(\theta(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta)) = p_{X_1}(X_1|\theta) \dots p_{X_n}(X_n|\theta)$

Taking the log of the likelihood: $\theta_{MLE} = \argmax_{\theta} \sum_i \log p_{X_i}(x_i|\theta)$

Union Bound $P(\cup_i A_i) \leq \sum_i P(A_i)$

Distributions

Single-variate Gaussian: $\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})$

Multi-variate Gaussian with $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$

$f(x; \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n n^{1/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right)$

Covariance Matrix: $\Sigma = E[(X - \mu)(X - \mu)^T]$; if $\mu = 0$, $\Sigma = X X^T$

Shifting/Centering Distributions:

If $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$, then $AX + b \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^T)$

$\implies \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}}(X - \mu) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$, where $\Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}} = U\Lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

Covariance Matrix Properties

$x^T \Sigma^{-1} x = \|Ax\|_2^2$ for all vectors x when $A = (UQ)^T$ where Q is the diagonal matrix with diagonal values $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_{d,i,i}}}$ so we have

$x^T \Sigma^{-1} x = x^T A^T A x = (Ax)^T Ax = \|Ax\|_2^2$. This is just the L2 norm of Ax which thus measures squared distance of data vector x from mean.

1. If $\|x\|_2 = 1$, we can define $\|Ux\|_2 = 1$ since U is orthonormal (preserving magnitude). Let $q = Ux$.
 $\|Ax\|_2^2 = x^T A^T A x = x^T U D^{-1} U^T x = q^T D^{-1} q$ Let x be e_i such that the ith element is 1 and others are 0. Max value of $\|Ax\|_2^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda_i}$ where λ_i is min eigenvalue and vice versa for min value.
2. If $X_i \perp X_j$, then $cov(X_i, X_j) = 0$. Thus Σ^{-1} is a diagonal matrix of values $\frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}$. Max at $\frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}$ where σ_i^2 is min variance and vice versa for min.

Conclusion: Minimize by choosing vector x as eigenvector corresponding to max eigenvalue or maximum variance if independent.

MLE of Multi-variate Gaussian Distribution

For X following the given distribution, we compute the mean and variance estimates using MLE by taking the log-likelihood, and then differentiating by μ and σ , respectively.

$X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2 I_{d \times d})$

$\hat{\mu}_{ML} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} = \bar{X}$, $\hat{\sigma}_{ML}^2 = \frac{1}{nd} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \hat{\mu}_{ML})^T (X_i - \hat{\mu}_{ML})$

$X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Lambda)$ where Λ is a diagonal matrix with the values $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_d$.

$$\log l(\mu, \Lambda | X) = -\frac{n}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{n}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \log \sigma_j^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(X_{ij} - \mu_j)^2}{\sigma_j^2}$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{ML} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \hat{\sigma}_{j,ML}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_{ij} - \mu_j)^2}{n}$$

$X \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu, \Lambda)$ assuming A is invertible and Lambda is known

$$\hat{\mu}_{ML} = A^{-1} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}$$

Vectors and Matrices

Norms

- $\|A\|_F^2 = Tr(A^T A)$
- $\|x\|_2^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = x^T x$
- $\|x\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$

Cachy-Schwarz Inequality: $|x^T y| = \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2$

Derivatives

- $\frac{\partial x^T a}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial a^T x}{\partial x} = a$
- $\frac{\partial a^T X b}{\partial X} = ab^T$
- $\frac{\partial b^T X^T X c}{\partial X} = X(bc^T + cb^T)$
- $\frac{\partial x^T B x}{\partial x} = (B + B^T)x$
- $\frac{\partial Tr(F(X))}{\partial X} = f(X)^T$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \|x - a\|_2 = 2x$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial X} \|X\|_F^2 = 2X$

Support Vector Machines

Goal: Maximize the margin of a hyperplane Margin of Hyperplane:

$$\frac{\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} y_i (w^T x_i)}{\|w\|_2^2}$$

Regression

Linear

Loss Function: $L = \|Xw - Y\|_2^2$ with closed-form solution

$w = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$

Loss Function with L2 Regularization: $L = \|Xw - Y\|_2^2 + \lambda \|w\|_2^2$ with

closed-form solution $w = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y$

Loss Function with L1 Regularization: $L = \|Xw - Y\|_2^2 + \lambda \|w\|_1$

How the L1 norm encourages sparsity:

Write loss function in terms of $L(w) = g(y) + \sum_{i=1}^d f(X_i, y, w_i, \lambda)$.

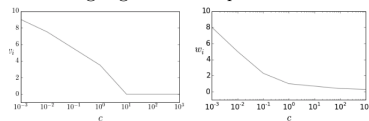
$L(w) = \|Xw - y\|_2^2 + \lambda \|w\|_1 = y^T y + \sum_{i=1}^d -y^T X_i w_i + \frac{\lambda}{2} w_i^2 + \lambda |w_i|$

If $w_i > 0$, $w_i = \frac{1}{n} (y^T X_i - \lambda)$.

If $w_i < 0$, $w_i = \frac{1}{n} (y^T X_i + \lambda)$.

$w_i = 0$ if $-\lambda \leq y^T X_i \leq \lambda$

Observing regularization paths:



Graph on the left is L1 regularization for sparser values. The graph on the right is L2 regularization, with smoother curve hitting more values.

Writing w as a linear combination of α such that $w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i$.

$w = X^T (X X^T + \lambda I)^{-1} y$ and we know that $(X X^T + \lambda I)$ is

diagonalizable because PD, so equals $U \Lambda U^T$ and thus has inverse

$U \Lambda^{-1} U^T$.

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i$$

$$\alpha_i = \sum_{j=1}^d y_j * u_{ij} \Lambda^{-1} u_j^T$$

Logistic

Logit Function: $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)}$, $f'(x) = f(x)(1 - f(x))$

$$f'(x) = \frac{\exp(-x)}{(1 + \exp(-x))^2} = \frac{\exp(-x) + 1 - 1}{(1 + \exp(-x))^2} = \frac{1 + \exp(-x)}{(1 + \exp(-x))^2} - \frac{1}{(1 + \exp(-x))^2} = \frac{1}{(1 + \exp(-x))} - \frac{1}{(1 + \exp(-x))^2} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)} (1 - \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)}) = f(x)(1 - f(x))$$

Loss function: $L = -\sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \mu_i + (1 - y_i) \log (1 - \mu_i)$ where

$$\mu_i = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\beta x_i)}; \nabla L = -X^T (Y - \mu)$$

Bias-Variance

Given $x_1, \dots, x_n, y = f(x) + \epsilon$, $\hat{y} = h(x)$, and $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$.

$E[(h(x) - y)^2] = E[(h(x) - f(x) + \epsilon)^2] = E[(h(x) - f(x) + \epsilon)^2] =$

$E[(h(x) - f(x))^2] - 2E[(h(x) - f(x))\epsilon] + E[\epsilon^2]$

We know that $E[\epsilon] = 0$ so $Var(\epsilon) = E[\epsilon^2] + E[\epsilon]^2$ and thus

$Var(\epsilon) = E[\epsilon^2]$. Also ϵ is independent of $h(x) - f(x)$ so the middle term is zero.

$E[(h(x) - f(x))^2] + Var(\epsilon) =$

$E[(h(x) - E[h(x)]) + E[h(x)] - f(x)]^2 + Var(\epsilon) =$

$E[(h(x) - E[h(x)]) + (E[h(x)] - f(x))]^2 + Var(\epsilon) = E[(h(x) - E[h(x)])^2] +$

$2E[(h(x) - E[h(x)])(E[h(x)] - f(x))] + E[(E[h(x)] - f(x))^2] + Var(\epsilon)$

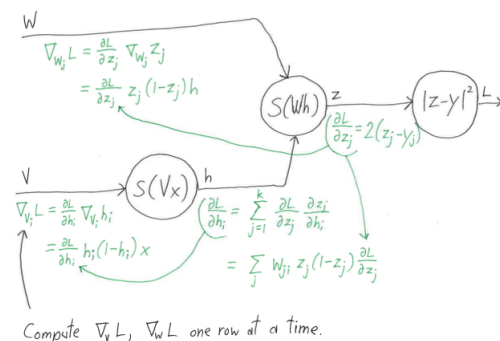
We know $E[x - \mu] = 0$, so the middle term again disappears.

$E[|h(x) - E[h(x)]|^2] + E[|E[h(x)] - f(x)|^2] + Var(\epsilon)$

We can now define the following:

- Bias: $E[|E[h(x)] - f(x)|^2] = |E[\hat{\mu}] - \mu|^2$
- Variance: $E[|h(x) - E[h(x)]|^2] = E[|m\hat{u} - E[\hat{\mu}]|^2]$
- Error: $Var(\epsilon)$

Neural Networks



Compute ∇_{L_j} $\nabla_{w_j} L$ one row at a time.
Softmax: $\sigma(z)_j = \frac{e^{z_j}}{\sum_{k=1}^K e^{z_k}}$ for $j = 1, \dots, K$

Convolutional NN

- Apply filter for example an array $[-1, 0, 1]$.
- Multiply pointwise and sum. Output gets weighted sum.
- Pooling to reduce dimensionality. For example max pooling takes max over every block of 4 pixels.
- Convolution dimension reduction. $n \times m$ filter reduces the dimensions of the height and width of the matrix $d \times d$ matrix to $d - (n - 1) \times d - (m - 1)$.
- Number of parameters at each level are the parameters in the $n \times n$, times number of matrix-matrix pair, plus a bias unit for each matrix in the output.

Kernels

$$\min ||Xw - y||_2^2 + \lambda ||w||_2^2$$
$$w = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y = X^T (X X^T + \lambda I)^{-1} y$$
 and let $X X^T$ define our kernel matrix K .
$$\min_w \sum_{i=1}^n \text{loss}(w^T x_i, y_i) + \lambda ||w||_2^2$$
 with $w = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j x_j + v$. We are writing w in terms of linear combinations of α where $\forall i, v^T x_i = 0$.

$$\min_{\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{loss}(\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j x_j^T x_i, y_i) + \lambda ||\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j x_j||_2^2$$

Now define $K_{ij} = x_i^T x_j$.

$$\min_{\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{loss}(\sum_{j=1}^n [K\alpha]_i, y_i) + \lambda \alpha^T K \alpha$$

For predicting new x , $f(x) = w^T x = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i^T x$, basically computing the similarity between every sample point x_i to x . You can replace $x_i^T x$ with any appropriate kernel function $k(x, z)$.

Kernel Functions

1. linear: $k(x, z) = x^T z$
2. quadratic: $k(x, z) = (1 + x^T z)^2$
3. gaussian: $k(x, z) = \exp(\gamma ||x - z||^2)$

With matrix notation, we can write the kernel function as $\min ||K\alpha - y||^2 + \lambda \alpha^T K \alpha$ with the solution $\alpha = (K + \lambda I)^{-1} y$.

We can also define $K = \phi(x)\phi(x)^T$ where $\phi(x)$ is some feature mapping for example $\phi(x) = [1 \quad \sqrt{2} \quad x^2]^T$

Nearest Neighbors

Find k -closest training points and classify as most likely label by some voting scheme such as mean or median.

Decision Trees

Entropy is the expected value of surprise: $e = -\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \log_b(p_i)$

If $p_1 = 1$ and $p_2 = 0$, then

$$e = -(p_1 \log_2 p_1 + p_2 \log_2 p_2) = -(1 * \log_2 1 + 0) = 0.$$

If $p_1 = p_2 = 0.5$ and $p_0 = 0$, then

$$e = -(p_1 \log_2 p_1 + p_2 \log_2 p_2) = -(0.5 * \log_2 0.5 + 0.5 * \log_2 0.5) = 1.$$

Maximize information gain for classification. With entropy H at current node with $n_1 + n_2$ samples: $\max H - \frac{n_1 H_- + n_2 H_+}{n_1 + n_2}$.

- Info gain at root is not necessarily greater than info gain at a lower level; consider the XOR function.
- The same feature can be split on twice.
- Entropy is always nonnegative.

Principle Components Analysis

Singular Value Decomposition

$$X = U S V^T = \sum_{i=1}^d \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$$

1. U is $d \times d$ with the left singular vectors
2. S is $d \times d$ with the singular values on the diagonal.
3. V is $n \times d$ with the right singular vectors
4. $U^T U = I$ and $V^T V = I$ since both U and V contain orthogonal vectors.
5. $S = \text{Diag}(\sigma_i)$ where singular values ordered from greatest to least $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq 0$.

The singular values of X are the square roots of the eigenvalues for $X^T X$ or $X X^T$. The left singular vectors are the eigenvectors of $X X^T$ and the right singular vectors are the eigenvectors of $X^T X$.

Norms in terms of SVD

$$||A||_F^2 = \text{Trace}(A^T A) = \text{Trace}(V S^T U^T U S V^T) = \text{Trace}(V S S V^T) = \text{Trace}(V^T V S S) = \text{Trace}(S S) = \sum_i \sigma_i^2$$

$||A||_2^2 = \sup_{||x||=1} ||Ax||_2 = \sup_{||x||=1} x^T A^T A x$ We see that we are just finding the supremum of the Raleigh quotient, which is maximized with the largest eigenvalue of $A^T A$ which is equivalent to σ_1^2 .

PCA Algorithm

Center X , compute SVD of X , then return $\hat{X} = S_r V_r^T, U_r, \mu_x$

Latent Factor Analysis

Goal: Factor X in AB^T . $\min_{A,B} ||X - AB^T||_F^2$. The solution is

$$A = U_r S_r^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ and } B = V_r S_r^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Clustering

K-means Clustering

$$J = \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{i=1}^n n ||x_i^{(j)} - c_j||^2$$

For each cluster, for each point, compute distance to the assigned mean. Algorithm: Fix points, update means to be mean of assigned points. Fix means, reassign points to new closest mean. Repeat until convergence.

Spectral Clustering

Weighted undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ where edge (i, j) represents similarities between points x_i and x_j . Cut graph into 2 pieces, cutting minimum edge weight each time: $\min \frac{\text{Cut}(G_1, G_2)}{\text{Mass}(G_1) \text{Mass}(G_2)}$ We define the Laplacian as:

$$L_{ij} = - \begin{cases} \sum_j a_{ij} & \text{if } i=j \\ -a_{ij} & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Let v be a vector indicating whether v_i is in graph V_1 or V_2 .

$\text{Cut}(V_1, V_2) = \sum_{i,j} \frac{1}{4} (v_i - v_j)^2 w_{ij} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} v_i^2 + w_{ij} v_j^2 - 2v_i v_j w_{ij} = \frac{1}{4} v^T L v$. We can approximate this with the following: $\min \frac{1}{4} v^T L v$ such that $||v||^2 = n$ and $1^T v = 0$. The solution here is the second smallest eigenvalue. Without constraint $1^T v = 0$, the solution would be smallest eigenvalue because it is a Rayleigh quotient. $1^T v$ indicates you are orthogonal to the all 1's vector which corresponds to the smallest eigenvalue, so we take the second smallest.