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1 Lecture 7: Linear Models

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1.1 Imports

```
[1]: import os
     import sys
     sys.path.append("code/.")
     import IPython
     import ipywidgets as widgets
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import mglearn
     import numpy as np
     import pandas as pd
     from IPython.display import HTML, display
     from ipywidgets import interact, interactive
     from plotting_functions import *
     from sklearn.dummy import DummyClassifier
     from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer, TfidfVectorizer
     from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer
     from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score, cross_validate,_
      →train_test_split
     from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier, KNeighborsRegressor
     from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline, make_pipeline
     from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder, StandardScaler
     from sklearn.svm import SVC
```

```
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from utils import *

%matplotlib inline
pd.set_option("display.max_colwidth", 200)
```

1.2 Learning outcomes

From this lecture, students are expected to be able to:

- Explain the general intuition behind linear models;
- Explain how predict works for linear regression;
- Use scikit-learn's Ridge model;
- Demonstrate how the alpha hyperparameter of Ridge is related to the fundamental tradeoff;
- Explain the difference between linear regression and logistic regression;
- Use scikit-learn's LogisticRegression model and predict_proba to get probability scores
- Explain the advantages of getting probability scores instead of hard predictions during classification;
- Broadly describe linear SVMs
- Explain how can you interpret model predictions using coefficients learned by a linear model;
- Explain the advantages and limitations of linear classifiers
- Carry out multi-class classification using OVR and OVO strategies.

1.3 Linear models [video]

Linear models is a fundamental and widely used class of models. They are called **linear** because they make a prediction using a **linear function** of the input features.

We will talk about three linear models: - Linear regression - Logistic regression - Linear SVM (brief mention)

1.3.1 Linear regression

- A very popular statistical model and has a long history.
- Imagine a hypothetical regression problem of predicting weight of a snake given its length.

```
[2]: np.random.seed(7)
    n = 100
    X_1 = np.linspace(0, 2, n) + np.random.randn(n) * 0.01
    X = pd.DataFrame(X_1[:, None], columns=["length"])

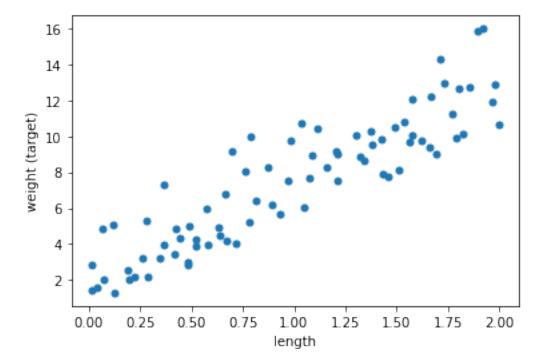
y = abs(np.random.randn(n, 1)) * 3 + X_1[:, None] * 5 + 0.2
y = pd.DataFrame(y, columns=["weight"])
snakes_df = pd.concat([X, y], axis=1)
train_df, test_df = train_test_split(snakes_df, test_size=0.2, random_state=77)
```

```
X_train = train_df[["length"]]
y_train = train_df["weight"]
X_test = test_df[["length"]]
y_test = test_df["weight"]
train_df.head()
```

```
[2]:
           length
                       weight
                    10.507995
     73
         1.489130
         1.073233
                     7.658047
     53
         1.622709
     80
                     9.748797
     49
         0.984653
                     9.731572
         0.484937
                     3.016555
     23
```

Let's visualize the hypothetical snake data.

```
[3]: plt.plot(X_train.to_numpy(), y_train, ".", markersize=10)
   plt.xlabel("length")
   plt.ylabel("weight (target)");
```

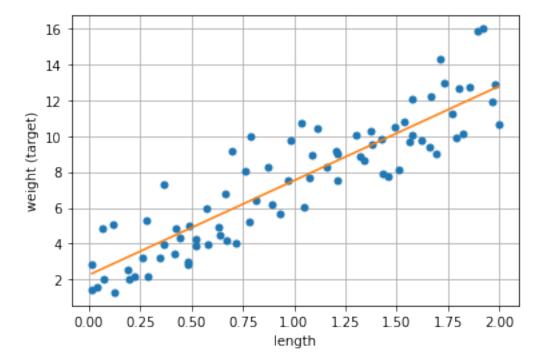


Let's plot a linear regression model on this dataset.

```
[4]: grid = np.linspace(X_train.min()[0], X_train.max()[0], 1000)
grid = grid.reshape(-1, 1)
```

```
[5]: from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge

r = Ridge()
r.fit(X_train.to_numpy(), y_train)
plt.plot(X_train.to_numpy(), y_train, ".", markersize=10)
plt.plot(grid, r.predict(grid))
plt.grid(True)
plt.xlabel("length")
plt.ylabel("weight (target)");
```



The orange line is the learned linear model.

1.3.2 Prediction of linear regression

- Given a snake length, we can use the model above to predict the target (i.e., the weight of the snake).
- The prediction will be the corresponding weight on the orange line.

```
[6]: snake_length = 0.75
r.predict([[snake_length]])
```

[6]: array([6.20683258])

What are we exactly learning?

- The model above is a **line**, which can be represented with a **slope** (i.e., coefficient or weight) and an **intercept**.
- For the above model, we can access the slope (i.e., coefficient or weight) and the intercept using coef_ and intercept_, respectively.

```
[7]: r.coef_ # r is our linear regression object
```

[7]: array([5.26370005])

[8]: 2.2590575478171857

1.3.3 How are we making predictions?

• Given a feature value x_1 and learned coefficient w_1 and intercept b, we can get the prediction \hat{y} with the following formula:

$$\hat{y} = w_1 x_1 + b$$

[9]: array([6.20683258])

[10]: array([6.20683258])

Great! Now we exactly know how the model is making the prediction.

1.3.4 Generalizing to more features

For more features, the model is a higher dimensional hyperplane and the general prediction formula looks as follows:

$$\hat{y} = w_1 \ x_1 + \dots + w_d \ x_d + b$$

where, $-(x_1, ..., x_d)$ are input features $-(w_1, ..., w_d)$ are coefficients or weights (learned from the data) -b is the bias which can be used to offset your hyperplane (learned from the data)

1.3.5 Example

• Suppose these are the coefficients learned by a linear regression model on a hypothetical housing price prediction dataset.

Feature	Learned coefficient
Bedrooms	0.20
Bathrooms	0.11
Square Footage	0.002
Age	-0.02

$$\hat{y} = w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + w_3 x_3 + w_4 x_4 + b$$

predicted price =
$$0.20 \times 3 + 0.11 \times 2 + 0.002 \times 1875 + (-0.02) \times 66 + b$$

When we call fit, a coefficient or weight is learned for each feature which tells us the role of that feature in prediction. These coefficients are learned from the training data.

Note In linear models for regression, the model is a line for a single feature, a plane for two features, and a hyperplane for higher dimensions. We are not yet ready to discuss how does linear regression learn these coefficients and intercept.

1.3.6 Ridge

- scikit-learn has a model called LinearRegression for linear regression.
- But if we use this "vanilla" version of linear regression, it may result in large coefficients and unexpected results.
- So instead of using LinearRegression, we will always use another linear model called Ridge, which is a linear regression model with a complexity hyperparameter alpha.

```
[11]: from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression # DO NOT USE IT from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge # USE THIS INSTEAD
```

Data We will use a dataset of residential homes in Ames, Iowa. Using the non-categorical data in this dataset, we attempt to **predict the final price** of each home.

```
[12]: # The Ames housing dataset
from sklearn.datasets import fetch_openml
ames = fetch_openml(name="house_prices", as_frame=True)
```

To simplify our demonstration here, we will keep most of *numerical columns* and drop the rest of (categorical) columns. This simplifies column preprocessing and our upcoming analysis in this exercise.

```
[13]: [(1168, 33), (292, 33), (1168,), (292,)]
```

To see an extended description of the Ames housing dataset, see the following link and/or uncomment the print line below:

```
[14]: print("Ames housing dataset link:", ames.url)
# print("Ames housing dataset description:\n\n", ames.DESCR)
```

Ames housing dataset link: https://www.openml.org/d/42165

fit_time score_time test_score train_score

Ridge on the Ames housing dataset

```
[15]: preprocess = make_pipeline(SimpleImputer(), StandardScaler())
    pipe = make_pipeline(preprocess, Ridge())
    scores = cross_validate(pipe, X_train, y_train, return_train_score=True)
    print(pd.DataFrame(scores).mean().rename('mean').to_frame().T)
    pd.DataFrame(scores)
```

```
mean 0.017657
                       0.005483
                                   0.746312
                                                0.811416
[15]:
        fit_time score_time test_score train_score
     0 0.023685
                    0.008988
                                0.805851
                                             0.800275
     1 0.018950
                    0.005812
                                0.585754
                                             0.835169
     2 0.014138
                    0.003705
                                0.691621
                                             0.822150
     3 0.015502
                    0.005728
                                0.819300
                                             0.800806
     4 0.016008
                    0.003181
                                0.829031
                                             0.798680
```

Hyperparameter alpha of Ridge

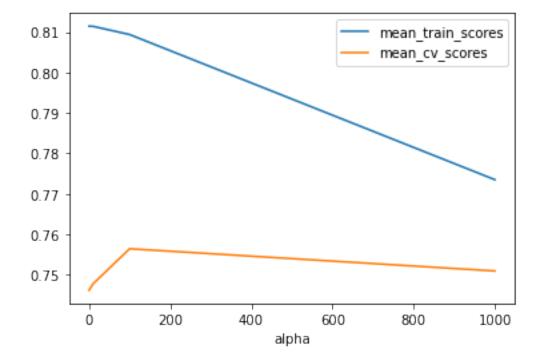
- Ridge has hyperparameters just like the rest of the models we learned.
- The alpha hyperparameter is what makes Ridge different from vanilla LinearRegression.
- Similar to the other hyperparameters that we saw, alpha controls the fundamental tradeoff.

Note If we set alpha=0 that is the same as using LinearRegression.

Let's examine the effect of alpha on the fundamental tradeoff.

[17]: results_df [17]: alpha mean_train_scores mean_cv_scores 0 0.01 0.811416 0.746143 0.10 1 0.811416 0.746159 2 1.00 0.811416 0.746312 3 10.00 0.811381 0.747747 4 100.00 0.809351 0.756405 5 1000.00 0.773478 0.750913 10000.00 6 0.479081 0.472163 7 100000.00 0.089230 0.076035 [18]: # Plot only the top part of the table for better viewing results_df.head(6).set_index('alpha').plot()

[18]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='alpha'>



Thus, alpha = 100 is the optimum value here. In general, - larger alpha \rightarrow likely to underfit - smaller alpha \rightarrow likely to overfit

 ${\bf Coefficients \ and \ intercept} \quad {\bf The \ model \ learns \ - \ coefficients \ associated \ with \ each \ feature \ - \ the }$

Let's examine the coefficients learned by the model.

```
[19]: pipe_ridge = make_pipeline(preprocess, Ridge(alpha=1.0))
      pipe_ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
      coeffs = pipe_ridge.named_steps["ridge"].coef_
     pd.DataFrame(data=coeffs, index=ames_df.columns, columns=["Coefficients"])
[20]:
[20]:
                     Coefficients
      LotFrontage
                        822.424355
      LotArea
                       3849.729654
      OverallQual
                     22319.449000
      OverallCond
                      5244.855487
      YearBuilt
                      7902.013825
      YearRemodAdd
                      3647.923122
      MasVnrArea
                      6268.875360
      BsmtFinSF1
                      4496.783370
      BsmtFinSF2
                        484.156174
      BsmtUnfSF
                       -87.321438
      TotalBsmtSF
                      4767.607023
      1stFlrSF
                      7863.241209
      2ndFlrSF
                      5434.146748
      LowQualFinSF
                      -860.068690
      GrLivArea
                     10424.733597
      BsmtFullBath
                      4316.229111
      BsmtHalfBath
                      -319.439242
      FullBath
                      1931.799943
      HalfBath
                        815.003258
      BedroomAbvGr
                     -5965.501937
      KitchenAbvGr
                     -5688.739040
      TotRmsAbvGrd
                      9970.978889
      Fireplaces
                      2221.589378
      GarageYrBlt
                       764.651491
      GarageCars
                      8036.518524
      GarageArea
                        805.649891
      WoodDeckSF
                      4154.618490
      OpenPorchSF
                      -166.083898
      EnclosedPorch
                      1383.215119
      3SsnPorch
                       711.463720
      ScreenPorch
                      3748.859074
      PoolArea
                     -6790.963134
      MiscVal
                      -235.754353
```

Important Take these coefficients with a grain of salt. They might not always match your intuitions.

- The model also learns an intercept (bias).
- For each prediction, we are adding this amount irrespective of the feature values.

```
[21]: pipe_ridge.named_steps["ridge"].intercept_
```

[21]: 179876.00428082192

Can we use this information to interpret model predictions?

1.3.7 Questions for you

True/False: Ridge

- 1. Increasing the hyperparameter alpha of Ridge is likely to decrease model complexity. TRUE
- 2. Ridge can be used with datasets that have multiple features. TRUE
- 3. With Ridge, we learn one coefficient per training example. FALSE
- 4. If you train a linear regression model on a 2-dimensional problem (2 features), the model will be a two dimensional plane. FALSE The model is a line. (n-1) dimension hyperplane.

1.4 Interpretation of coefficients

- One of the main advantages of linear models is that they are relatively **easy to interpret**.
- We have one **coefficient** per feature which kind of describes the **role of the feature** in the prediction according to the model.

There are two pieces of information in the coefficients based on

- Sign
- Magnitude

1.4.1 Sign of the coefficients

In the example below, for instance: - OverallQual (average number of rooms) has a **positive coefficient** - the prediction will be proportional to the feature value; as OverallQual gets **bigger**, the median house value gets **bigger** - LowQualFinSF: (Low quality finished square feet, all floors) has a **negative coefficient** - the prediction will be inversely proportional to the feature value; as LowQualFinSF gets **bigger**, the median house value gets **smaller**

```
[22]: Coefficients
OverallQual 22319.44900
```

LowQualFinSF -860.06869

Magnitude of the coefficients

- Bigger magnitude \rightarrow bigger impact on the prediction
- In the example below, both OverallQual and Fireplaces have a positive impact on the prediction but OverallQual would have a bigger positive impact because it's feature value is going to be multiplied by a number with a bigger magnitude.
- Similarly both LowQualFinSF and BsmtUnfSF have a negative impact on the prediction but LowQualFinSF would have a bigger negative impact because it's going to be multiplied by a number with a bigger magnitude.

```
[23]: data = {
    "coefficient": pipe_ridge.named_steps["ridge"].coef_.tolist(),
    "magnitude": np.absolute(pipe_ridge.named_steps["ridge"].coef_.tolist()),
}
coef_df = pd.DataFrame(data, index=ames_df.columns).sort_values(
    "magnitude", ascending=False
)
coef_df.loc[['OverallQual', 'Fireplaces', 'LowQualFinSF', 'BsmtUnfSF']]
```

1.4.2 Importance of scaling

- When you are interpreting the model coefficients, scaling is crucial.
- If you do not scale the data, features with smaller magnitude are going to get coefficients with bigger magnitude whereas features with bigger scale are going to get coefficients with smaller magnitude.
- That said, when you scale the data, feature values become hard to interpret for humans!

1.4.3 Questions for you

True/False

- 1. Suppose you have trained a linear model on an unscaled data. The coefficients of the linear model have the following interpretation: if coefficient j is large, that means a change in feature j has a large impact on the prediction. TRUE
- 2. Suppose the scaled feature value of BsmtUnfSF feature above is negative. The prediction will still be inversely proportional to BsmtUnfSF; as BsmtUnfSF gets bigger, the median house value gets smaller. TRUE

Questions for breakout room discussion

- Discuss the importance of scaling when interpreting linear regression coefficients.
- What might be the meaning of complex vs simpler model in case of linear regression?

1.5 Logistic regression [video]

1.5.1 Logistic regression intuition

- A linear model for classification.
- Similar to linear regression, it learns weights associated with each feature and the bias.
- It applies a **threshold** on the raw output to decide whether the class is positive or negative.
- In this lecture we will focus on the following aspects of logistic regression.
 - predict, predict_proba
 - how to use learned coefficients to interpret the model

1.5.2 Motivating example

• Consider the problem of predicting sentiment expressed in movie reviews.

Training data for the motivating example Review 1: This movie was excellent! The performances were oscar-worthy!

Review 2: What a boring movie! I almost fell asleep twice while watching it.

Review 3: I enjoyed the movie. Excellent!

- Targets: positive and negative
- Features: words (e.g., excellent, flawless, boring)

Learned coefficients associated with all features

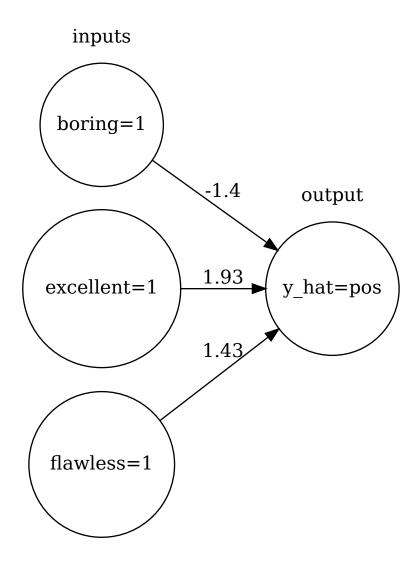
- Suppose our vocabulary contains only the following 7 words.
- A linear classifier learns **weights** or **coefficients** associated with the features (words in this example).
- Let's ignore bias for a bit.

Predicting with learned weights

- Use these learned coefficients to make predictions. For example, consider the following review x_i .
 - It got a bit boring at times but the direction was excellent and the acting was flawless.
- Feature vector for x_i : [1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0]
- $\$score(x_i) = \$coefficient(boring) \times 1 + coefficient(excellent) \times 1 + coefficient(flawless) \times 1 = -1.40 + 1.93 + 1.43 = 1.96$
- 1.96 > 0 so predict the review as positive.

```
[24]: x = ["boring=1", "excellent=1", "flawless=1"]
w = [-1.40, 1.93, 1.43]
display(plot_logistic_regression(x, w))
```

Weighted sum of the input features = 1.960 y_hat = pos



- So the prediction is based on the weighted sum of the input features.
- Some feature are pulling the prediction towards positive sentiment and some are pulling it towards negative sentiment.
- If the coefficient of *boring* had a bigger magnitude or *excellent* and *flawless* had smaller magnitudes, we would have predicted "neg".

```
[25]: def f(w_0):
    x = ["boring=1", "excellent=1", "flawless=1"]
    w = [-1.40, 1.93, 1.43]
    w[0] = w_0
    print(w)
    display(plot_logistic_regression(x, w))
```

```
[26]: interactive(
    f,
    w_0=widgets.FloatSlider(min=-4.40, max=2.40, step=0.5, value=-1.40),
)
```

In our case, for values for the coefficient of boring < -3.36, the prediction would be negative.

A linear model learns these coefficients or weights from the training data!

So a linear classifier is a linear function of the input X, followed by a threshold.

$$z = w_1 x_1 + \dots + w_d x_d + b$$

$$= w^T x + b$$
(1)

$$\hat{y} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } z \ge r \\ -1, & \text{if } z < r \end{cases}$$

Components of a linear classifier

- 1. input features (x_1, \dots, x_d)
- 2. coefficients (weights) (w_1, \dots, w_d)
- 3. bias $(b \text{ or } w_0)$ (can be used to offset your hyperplane)
- 4. threshold (r)

In our example before, we assumed r = 0 and b = 0.

1.5.3 Logistic regression on the cities data

```
[27]:
           longitude latitude country
      160
           -76.4813
                       44.2307 Canada
            -81.2496
                       42.9837 Canada
      127
            -66.0580
      169
                       45.2788 Canada
                       45.3057
      188
            -73.2533
                                Canada
      187
            -67.9245
                       47.1652 Canada
```

Let's first try DummyClassifier on the cities data.

```
[28]: dummy = DummyClassifier()
scores = cross_validate(dummy, X_train, y_train, return_train_score=True)
pd.DataFrame(scores)
```

```
[28]:
        fit time score time test score train score
     0 0.001964
                    0.001115
                                0.588235
                                             0.601504
     1 0.002089
                    0.001126
                                0.588235
                                             0.601504
     2 0.001573
                    0.000769
                                0.606061
                                             0.597015
     3 0.001639
                    0.000840
                                0.606061
                                             0.597015
     4 0.001150
                    0.000770
                                0.606061
                                             0.597015
```

Now let's try LogisticRegression

```
[29]: from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression

lr = LogisticRegression()
scores = cross_validate(lr, X_train, y_train, return_train_score=True)
pd.DataFrame(scores)
```

```
[29]:
        fit_time score_time test_score train_score
     0 0.040459
                    0.003334
                                0.852941
                                             0.827068
     1 0.021444
                    0.003381
                                0.823529
                                             0.827068
     2 0.018245
                    0.003284
                                0.696970
                                            0.858209
     3 0.019810
                    0.003177
                                0.787879
                                             0.843284
     4 0.016917
                    0.003397
                                0.939394
                                            0.805970
```

Logistic regression seems to be doing better than dummy classifier. But note that there is a lot of variation in the scores.

1.5.4 Accessing learned parameters

- Recall that logistic regression learns the weights w and bias or intercept b.
- How to access these weights?
 - Similar to Ridge, we can access the weights and intercept using coef_ and intercept_ attribute of the LogisticRegression object, respectively.

```
[30]: lr = LogisticRegression()
lr.fit(X_train.to_numpy(), y_train)
print("Model weights: %s" % (lr.coef_)) # these are the learned weights
print("Model intercept: %s" % (lr.intercept_)) # this is the bias term
data = {"features": X_train.columns, "coefficients": lr.coef_[0]}
pd.DataFrame(data)
```

```
Model weights: [[-0.04108149 -0.33683126]]
Model intercept: [10.8869838]
```

[30]: features coefficients
0 longitude -0.041081

- 1 latitude -0.336831
 - Both negative weights
 - The weight of latitude is larger in magnitude.
 - This makes sense because Canada as a country lies above the USA and so we expect latitude values to contribute more to a prediction than longitude.

1.5.5 Prediction with learned parameters

Let's predict target of a test example.

```
[31]: example = X_test.iloc[0, :]
example
```

```
[31]: longitude -64.8001
latitude 46.0980
Name: 172, dtype: float64
```

Raw scores

• Calculate the raw score as: y_hat = np.dot(w, x) + b

- [32]: array([-1.97817876])
 - Apply the threshold to the raw score.
 - Since the prediction is < 0, predict "negative".
 - What is a "negative" class in our context?
 - With logistic regression, the model randomly assigns one of the classes as a positive class and the other as negative.
 - Usually it would alphabetically order the target and pick the first one as negative and second one as the positive class.
 - The classes_ attribute tells us which class is considered negative and which one is considered positive. In this case, Canada is the negative class and USA is a positive class.

```
[33]: [lr.classes_
```

```
[33]: array(['Canada', 'USA'], dtype=object)
```

- So based on the negative score above (-1.978), we would predict Canada.
- Let's check the prediction given by the model.

```
[34]: lr.predict([example])
```

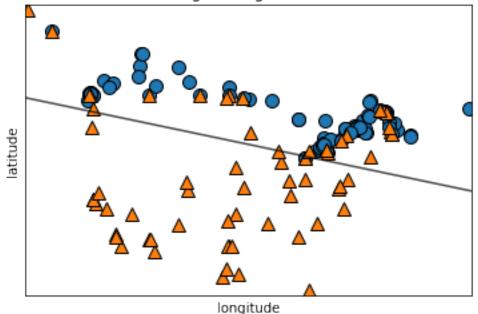
[34]: array(['Canada'], dtype=object)

Great! The predictions match! We exactly know how the model is making predictions.

1.5.6 Decision boundary of logistic regression

• The decision boundary of logistic regression is a **hyperplane** dividing the feature space in half.

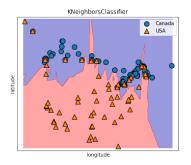
LogisticRegression

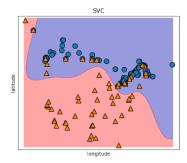


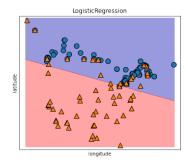
- For d = 2, the decision boundary is a line (1-dimensional)
- For d=3, the decision boundary is a plane (2-dimensional)
- For d > 3, the decision boundary is a d-1-dimensional hyperplane

```
[36]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize=(20, 5)) for model, ax in zip(
```

```
[KNeighborsClassifier(), SVC(gamma=0.01), LogisticRegression()], axes
):
    clf = model.fit(X_train.to_numpy(), y_train)
    mglearn.plots.plot_2d_separator(
        clf, X_train.to_numpy(), fill=True, eps=0.5, ax=ax, alpha=0.4
    )
    mglearn.discrete_scatter(X_train.iloc[:, 0], X_train.iloc[:, 1], y_train,u
    ax=ax)
    ax.set_title(clf.__class__.__name__)
    ax.set_xlabel("longitude")
    ax.set_ylabel("latitude")
axes[0].legend();
```







- Notice a linear decision boundary (a line in our case).
- Compare it with KNN or SVM RBF decision boundaries.

1.5.7 Main hyperparameter of logistic regression

- C is the main hyperparameter which controls the fundamental trade-off.
- We won't really talk about the interpretation of this hyperparameter right now.
- At a high level, the interpretation is similar to C of SVM RBF
 - smaller $C \rightarrow$ might lead to underfitting
 - bigger $C \rightarrow might lead to overfitting$

```
[37]: scores_dict = {
    "C": 10.0 ** np.arange(-4, 6, 1),
    "mean_train_scores": list(),
    "mean_cv_scores": list(),
}
for C in scores_dict["C"]:
    lr = LogisticRegression(C=C)
    scores = cross_validate(lr, X_train, y_train, return_train_score=True)
    scores_dict["mean_train_scores"].append(scores["train_score"].mean())
    scores_dict["mean_cv_scores"].append(scores["test_score"].mean())

results_df = pd.DataFrame(scores_dict)
```

results_df

```
[37]:
                                            mean_cv_scores
                    С
                       mean_train_scores
      0
               0.0001
                                 0.664707
                                                   0.658645
      1
               0.0010
                                 0.784424
                                                   0.790731
      2
               0.0100
                                 0.827842
                                                   0.826203
      3
               0.1000
                                 0.832320
                                                   0.820143
      4
               1.0000
                                 0.832320
                                                   0.820143
      5
              10.0000
                                 0.832320
                                                   0.820143
      6
             100.0000
                                 0.832320
                                                   0.820143
      7
            1000.0000
                                 0.832320
                                                   0.820143
      8
          10000.0000
                                                   0.820143
                                 0.832320
         100000.0000
                                 0.832320
                                                   0.820143
```

1.6 Predicting probability scores [video]

1.6.1 predict_proba

- So far in the context of classification problems, we focused on getting "hard" predictions.
- Very often it's useful to know "soft" predictions, i.e., how confident the model is with a given prediction.
- For most of the scikit-learn classification models we can access this confidence score or probability score using a method called predict_proba.

Let's look at probability scores of logistic regression model for our test example.

```
[38]: example

[38]: longitude   -64.8001
    latitude    46.0980
    Name: 172, dtype: float64

[39]: lr = LogisticRegression()
    lr.fit(X_train.to_numpy(), y_train)
    lr.predict([example]) # hard prediction

[39]: array(['Canada'], dtype=object)

[40]: lr.predict_proba([example]) # soft prediction
```

- [40]: array([[0.87848688, 0.12151312]])
 - The output of predict_proba is the probability of each class.
 - In binary classification, we get probabilities associated with both classes (even though this information is redundant).
 - The first entry is the estimated probability of the first class and the second entry is the estimated probability of the second class from model.classes_.

```
[41]: lr.classes_
```

```
[41]: array(['Canada', 'USA'], dtype=object)
```

- Because it's a probability, the sum of the entries for both classes should always sum to 1.
- Since the probabilities for the two classes sum to 1, exactly one of the classes will have a score >=0.5, which is going to be our predicted class.

How does logistic regression calculate these probabilities?

- The weighted sum $w_1x_1 + \cdots + w_dx_d + b$ gives us "raw model output".
- For linear regression this would have been the prediction.
- For logistic regression, you check the sign of this value.
 - If positive (or 0), predict +1; if negative, predict -1.
 - These are "hard predictions".
- You can also have "soft predictions", aka predicted probabilities.
 - To convert the raw model output into probabilities, instead of taking the sign, we apply the sigmoid.

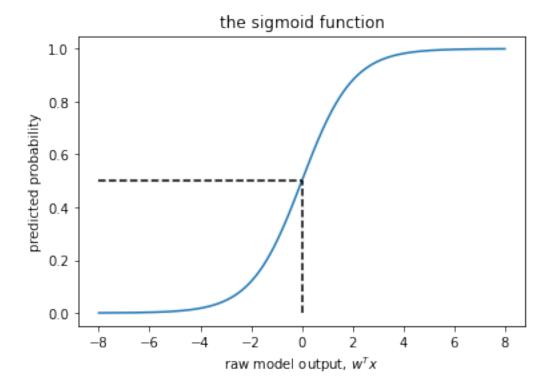
The sigmoid function

• The sigmoid function "squashes" the raw model output from any number to the range [0,1] using the following formula, where x is the raw model output.

$$\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$$

• Then we can interpret the output as probabilities.

```
[42]: sigmoid = lambda x: 1 / (1 + np.exp(-x))
    raw_model_output = np.linspace(-8, 8, 1000)
    plt.plot(raw_model_output, sigmoid(raw_model_output))
    plt.plot([0, 0], [0, 0.5], "--k")
    plt.plot([-8, 0], [0.5, 0.5], "--k")
    plt.xlabel("raw model output, $w^Tx$")
    plt.ylabel("predicted probability")
    plt.title("the sigmoid function");
```



- Recall our hard predictions that check the sign of $w^T x$, or, in other words, whether or not it is ≥ 0 .
 - The threshold $w^T x = 0$ corresponds to p = 0.5.
 - In other words, if our predicted probability is ≥ 0.5 then our hard prediction is +1.

Let's get the probability score by calling sigmoid on the raw model output for our test example.

[43]: array([0.12151312])

This is the probability score of the positive class, which is USA.

```
[44]: lr.predict_proba([example])
```

[44]: array([[0.87848688, 0.12151312]])

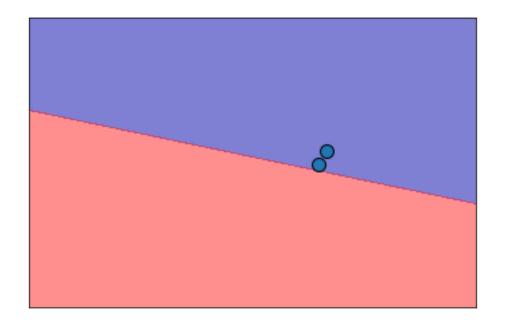
With predict_proba, we get the same probability score for USA!!

• Let's visualize probability scores for some examples.

```
[45]: data_dict = {
          "y": y_train[:12],
          "y_hat": lr.predict(X_train[:12].to_numpy()).tolist(),
          "probabilities": lr.predict_proba(X_train[:12].to_numpy()).tolist(),
      }
[46]: pd.DataFrame(data dict)
[46]:
                    y_hat
                                                         probabilities
                У
                   Canada
                              [0.7046068097086481, 0.2953931902913519]
      160
          Canada
      127 Canada
                   Canada
                             [0.5630169062040135, 0.43698309379598654]
                             [0.8389680973255864, 0.16103190267441364]
      169 Canada
                  Canada
      188 Canada Canada
                             [0.7964150775404333, 0.20358492245956678]
                             [0.9010806652340972, 0.0989193347659027]
      187 Canada
                  Canada
      192 Canada Canada
                              [0.7753006388010791, 0.2246993611989209]
      62
              USA
                      USA
                             [0.030740704606528002, 0.969259295393472]
                             [0.6880304799160921, 0.3119695200839079]
      141 Canada Canada
      183 Canada
                  Canada
                             [0.7891358587234145, 0.21086414127658554]
      37
              USA
                      USA
                            [0.006546969753885579, 0.9934530302461144]
      50
              USA
                      USA
                             [0.27874195848431016, 0.7212580415156898]
      89
                              [0.838887714664494, 0.16111228533550606]
           Canada Canada
     The actual y and y_hat match in most of the cases but in some cases the model is more confident
     about the prediction than others.
     Least confident cases Let's examine some cases where the model is least confident about the
     prediction.
[47]: least_confident_X = X_train.loc[[127, 141]]
      least_confident_X
[47]:
           longitude latitude
      127
            -81.2496
                       42.9837
      141
            -79.6902
                       44.3893
[48]: least_confident_y = y_train.loc[[127, 141]]
      least_confident_y
[48]: 127
             Canada
      141
             Canada
      Name: country, dtype: object
[49]: probs = lr.predict_proba(least_confident_X.to_numpy())
      data_dict = {
          "y": least_confident_y,
          "y_hat": lr.predict(least_confident_X.to_numpy()).tolist(),
          "probability score (Canada)": probs[:, 0],
```

```
"probability score (USA)": probs[:, 1],
      }
      pd.DataFrame(data_dict)
                   y_hat probability score (Canada) probability score (USA)
[49]:
      127 Canada Canada
                                             0.563017
                                                                      0.436983
      141 Canada Canada
                                             0.688030
                                                                      0.311970
[50]: mglearn.discrete_scatter(
          least_confident_X.iloc[:, 0],
          least_confident_X.iloc[:, 1],
          least_confident_y,
          markers="o",
```

mglearn.plots.plot_2d_separator(lr, X_train.to_numpy(), fill=True, eps=0.5,_



The points are close to the decision boundary which makes sense.

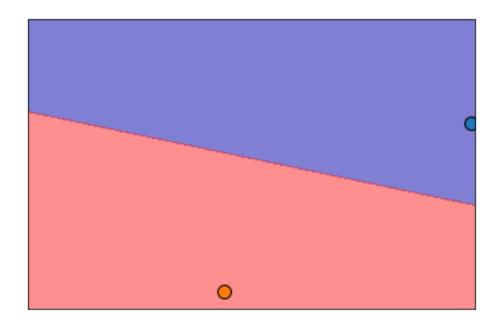
Most confident cases Let's examine some cases where the model is most confident about the prediction.

```
[51]: most_confident_X = X_train.loc[[37, 165]]
most_confident_X
```

```
[51]: longitude latitude
37 -98.4951 29.4246
```

 \rightarrow alpha=0.5)

```
165
            -52.7151 47.5617
[52]: most_confident_y = y_train.loc[[37, 165]]
      most_confident_y
[52]: 37
                USA
      165
             Canada
      Name: country, dtype: object
[53]: probs = lr.predict_proba(most_confident_X.to_numpy())
      data_dict = {
          "y": most_confident_y,
          "y_hat": lr.predict(most_confident_X.to_numpy()).tolist(),
          "probability score (Canada)": probs[:, 0],
          "probability score (USA)": probs[:, 1],
      pd.DataFrame(data_dict)
[53]:
                    y_hat probability score (Canada) probability score (USA)
                у
                                              0.006547
      37
              USA
                      USA
                                                                        0.993453
      165 Canada Canada
                                              0.951092
                                                                        0.048908
[54]: most_confident_X
[54]:
           longitude latitude
      37
            -98.4951
                       29.4246
      165
            -52.7151
                       47.5617
[55]: mglearn.discrete_scatter(
          most_confident_X.iloc[:, 0],
          most_confident_X.iloc[:, 1],
          most_confident_y,
          markers="o",
      mglearn.plots.plot_2d_separator(lr, X_train.to_numpy(), fill=True, eps=0.5,__
       \rightarrowalpha=0.5)
```



The points are far away from the decision boundary which makes sense.

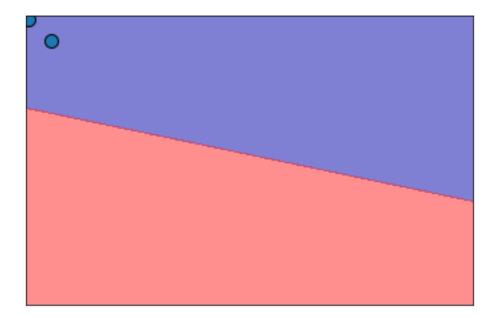
Over confident cases Let's examine some cases where the model is confident about the prediction but the prediction is wrong.

```
[56]: over_confident_X = X_train.loc[[0, 1]]
      over_confident_X
[56]:
         longitude latitude
      0 -130.0437
                     55.9773
      1 -134.4197
                     58.3019
[57]: over_confident_y = y_train.loc[[0, 1]]
      over_confident_y
[57]: 0
           USA
           USA
     Name: country, dtype: object
[58]: probs = lr.predict_proba(over_confident_X.to_numpy())
      data_dict = {
          "y": over_confident_y,
          "y_hat": lr.predict(over_confident_X.to_numpy()).tolist(),
          "probability score (Canada)": probs[:, 0],
          "probability score (USA)": probs[:, 1],
      }
```

```
pd.DataFrame(data_dict)
```

```
[58]:
               y_hat probability score (Canada)
                                                  probability score (USA)
         USA
              Canada
                                        0.932487
                                                                  0.067513
      1 USA
              Canada
                                                                  0.038098
                                        0.961902
[59]: mglearn.discrete_scatter(
          over_confident_X.iloc[:, 0],
          over_confident_X.iloc[:, 1],
          over_confident_y,
          markers="o",
      mglearn.plots.plot_2d_separator(lr, X_train.to_numpy(), fill=True, eps=0.5,_
```

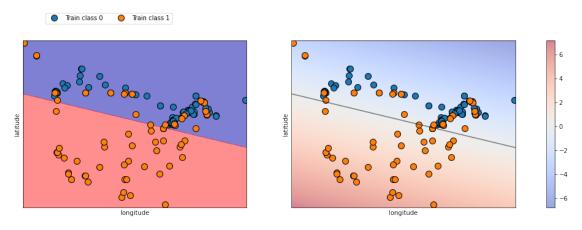
⇒alpha=0.5)



- The cities are far away from the decision boundary. So the model is pretty confident about the prediction.
- But the cities are likely to be from Alaska and our linear model is not able to capture that this part belong to the USA and not Canada.

Below we are using colour to represent prediction probabilities. If you are closer to the border, the model is less confident whereas the model is more confident about the mainland cities, which makes sense.

```
[60]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(18, 5)) from matplotlib.colors import ListedColormap
```



Sometimes a complex model that is overfitted, tends to make more confident predictions, even if they are wrong, whereas a simpler model tends to make predictions with more uncertainty.

To summarize, - With hard predictions, we only know the class. - With probability scores we know how confident the model is with certain predictions, which can be useful in understanding the model better.

1.6.2 Questions for you

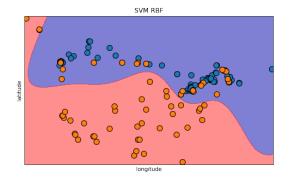
True/False

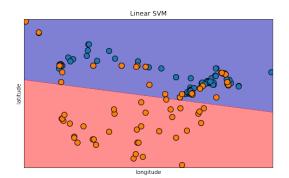
- Increasing logistic regression's C hyperparameter increases model complexity. TRUE
- \bullet Unlike with Ridge regression, coefficients are not interpretable with logistic regression. FALSE

- The raw output score can be used to calculate the probability score for a given prediction. *FALSE* Only the other way around.
- For linear classifier trained on d features, the decision boundary is a d-1-dimensional hyperparlane. TRUE
- A linear model is likely to be uncertain about the data points close to the decision boundary. TRUE
- \bullet Similar to decision trees, conceptually logistic regression should be able to work with categorical features. FALSE
- Scaling might be a good idea in the context of logistic regression. TRUE

1.6.3 Linear SVM

- We have seen non-linear SVM with RBF kernel before. This is the default SVC model in sklearn because it tends to work better in many cases.
- There is also a linear SVM. You can pass kernel="linear" to create a linear SVM.





- predict method of linear SVM and logistic regression works the same way.
- We can get coef_ associated with the features and intercept_ using a Linear SVM model.

```
[63]: linear_svc = SVC(kernel="linear")
linear_svc.fit(X_train, y_train)
print("Model weights: %s" % (linear_svc.coef_))
print("Model intercept: %s" % (linear_svc.intercept_))
```

Model weights: [[-0.0195598 -0.23640124]]
Model intercept: [8.22811601]

Model weights: [[-0.04108149 -0.33683126]] Model intercept: [10.8869838]

- Note that the coefficients and intercept are slightly different for logistic regression.
- This is because the fit for linear SVM and logistic regression are different.

1.7 Model interpretation of linear classifiers

- One of the primary advantage of linear classifiers is their ability to interpret models.
- For example, with the sign and magnitude of learned coefficients we could answer questions such as which features are driving the prediction to which direction.
- We'll demonstrate this by training LogisticRegression on the famous IMDB movie review dataset. The dataset is a bit large for demonstration purposes. So I am going to put a big portion of it in the test split to speed things up.

```
[65]: imdb_df = pd.read_csv("data/imdb_master.csv", encoding="ISO-8859-1")
imdb_df = imdb_df[imdb_df["label"].str.startswith(("pos", "neg"))]
imdb_df.drop(["Unnamed: 0", "type", "file"], axis=1, inplace=True)
imdb_df.head()
```

- [65]: review \
 - O Once again Mr. Costner has dragged out a movie for far longer than necessary. Aside from the terrific sea rescue sequences, of which there are very few I just did not care about any of the charact...
 - 1 This is an example of why the majority of action films are the same. Generic and boring, there's really nothing worth watching here. A complete waste of the then barely-tapped talents of Ice-T and...
 - 2 First of all I hate those moronic rappers, who could'nt act if they had a gun pressed against their foreheads. All they do is curse and shoot each other and acting like clich $\tilde{\mathbb{A}}$ e version of gangst...

- 3 Not even the Beatles could write songs everyone liked, and although Walter Hill is no mop-top he's second to none when it comes to thought provoking action movies. The nineties came and social pla...
- 4 Brass pictures (movies is not a fitting word for them) really are somewhat brassy. Their alluring visual qualities are reminiscent of expensive high class TV commercials. But unfortunately Brass p...

```
label o neg
```

- 1 neg
- 2 neg
- z neg
- 3 neg
- 4 neg

Let's clean up the data a bit.

```
[66]: import re

def replace_tags(doc):
    doc = doc.replace("<br />", " ")
    doc = re.sub("https://\S*", "", doc)
    return doc
```

```
[67]: imdb_df["review_pp"] = imdb_df["review"].apply(replace_tags)
```

Are we breaking the Golden rule here?

Let's split the data and create bag of words representation.

```
[68]: train_df, test_df = train_test_split(imdb_df, test_size=0.9, random_state=123)
X_train, y_train = train_df["review_pp"], train_df["label"]
X_test, y_test = test_df["review_pp"], test_df["label"]
train_df.shape
```

```
[68]: (5000, 3)
```

```
[69]: vec = CountVectorizer(stop_words="english", max_features=10_000)
bow = vec.fit_transform(X_train)
bow
```

1.7.1 Examining the vocabulary

• The vocabulary (mapping from feature indices to actual words) can be obtained using get_feature_names_out() on the CountVectorizer object.

```
[70]: vocab = vec.get_feature_names_out()
```

```
[71]: vocab[0:10] # first few words
[71]: array(['00', '000', '01', '10', '100', '1000', '101', '11', '12', '13'],
            dtype=object)
[72]: vocab[2000:2010]
                       # some middle words
[72]: array(['conrad', 'cons', 'conscience', 'conscious', 'consciously',
             'consciousness', 'consequence', 'consequences', 'conservative',
             'conservatory'], dtype=object)
[73]: vocab[::500] # words with a step of 500
[73]: array(['00', 'announcement', 'bird', 'cell', 'conrad', 'depth', 'elite',
             'finnish', 'grimy', 'illusions', 'kerr', 'maltin', 'narrates',
             'patients', 'publicity', 'reynolds', 'sfx', 'starting', 'thats',
             'vance'], dtype=object)
     1.7.2 Model building on the dataset
     First let's try DummyClassifier on the dataset.
[74]: dummy = DummyClassifier()
      scores = cross_validate(dummy, X_train, y_train, return_train_score=True)
      pd.DataFrame(scores)
[74]:
         fit_time score_time test_score train_score
      0 0.003531
                     0.002350
                                    0.505
                                                  0.505
      1 0.003014
                     0.002500
                                    0.505
                                                  0.505
      2 0.004948
                     0.003014
                                    0.505
                                                  0.505
      3 0.004567
                     0.005021
                                    0.505
                                                  0.505
      4 0.003881
                     0.002010
                                    0.505
                                                  0.505
     We have a balanced dataset. So the DummyClassifier score is around 0.5.
     Now let's try logistic regression.
[75]: pipe_lr = make_pipeline(
          CountVectorizer(stop_words="english", max_features=10_000),
          LogisticRegression(max_iter=1000),
      scores = cross_validate(pipe_lr, X_train, y_train, return_train_score=True)
      pd.DataFrame(scores)
[75]:
         fit_time score_time test_score train_score
      0 1.388475
                     0.238800
                                    0.847
                                                    1.0
      1 1.030119
                     0.229314
                                    0.832
                                                    1.0
                     0.229008
      2 1.015753
                                    0.842
                                                    1.0
```

1.0

0.853

3 0.974175

0.222373

```
4 1.050764 0.260880 0.839 1.0
```

Seems like we are overfitting. Let's optimize the hyperparameter C.

```
[76]: list(zip(np.arange(-3, 3, 1), 10.0 ** np.arange(-3, 3, 1)))
[76]: [(-3, 0.001), (-2, 0.01), (-1, 0.1), (0, 1.0), (1, 10.0), (2, 100.0)]
[77]: scores dict = {
          "C": 10.0 ** np.arange(-3, 3, 1),
          "mean train scores": list(),
          "mean_cv_scores": list(),
      for C in scores_dict["C"]:
          pipe_lr = make_pipeline(
              CountVectorizer(stop_words="english", max_features=10_000),
              LogisticRegression(max_iter=1000, C=C),
          )
          scores = cross_validate(pipe_lr, X_train, y_train, return_train_score=True)
          scores_dict["mean_train_scores"].append(scores["train_score"].mean())
          scores_dict["mean_cv_scores"].append(scores["test_score"].mean())
      results_df = pd.DataFrame(scores_dict)
      results df
[77]:
               C mean_train_scores mean_cv_scores
           0.001
                            0.83470
                                             0.7964
      0
      1
           0.010
                            0.92265
                                             0.8456
      2
           0.100
                            0.98585
                                             0.8520
      3
           1.000
                            1.00000
                                             0.8426
      4
          10.000
                            1,00000
                                             0.8376
      5 100.000
                            1.00000
                                             0.8350
[78]: optimized_C = results_df["C"].iloc[np.argmax(results_df["mean_cv_scores"])]
      print(
          "The maximum validation score is \%0.3f at C = \%0.2f "
          % (np.max(results_df["mean_cv_scores"]), optimized_C)
      )
     The maximum validation score is 0.852 at C = 0.10
```

Let's train a model on the full training set with the optimized hyperparameter values.

1.7.3 Examining learned coefficients

• The learned coefficients are exposed by the coef_ attribute of LogisticRegression object.

```
[80]: feature_names = np.array(pipe_lr.named_steps["countvectorizer"].

sqet_feature_names_out())

coeffs = pipe_lr.named_steps["logisticregression"].coef_.flatten()
```

```
[81]:
             Coefficient
                -0.074949
      00
      000
                -0.083893
      01
                -0.034402
      10
                 0.056493
      100
                 0.041633
                    •••
      zoom
                -0.013299
                -0.022139
      zooms
                 0.021878
      zorak
                 0.130075
      zorro
      â½
                 0.012649
```

[10000 rows x 1 columns]

- Let's sort the coefficients in descending order.
- Interpretation
 - if $w_j > 0$ then increasing x_{ij} moves us toward predicting +1.
 - if $w_i < 0$ then increasing x_{ij} moves us toward predicting -1.

```
[82]: word_coeff_df.sort_values(by="Coefficient", ascending=False)
```

```
[82]:
                  Coefficient
      excellent
                     0.903484
      great
                     0.659922
                     0.653301
      amazing
                     0.651763
      wonderful
      favorite
                     0.607887
      terrible
                    -0.621695
                    -0.701030
      boring
```

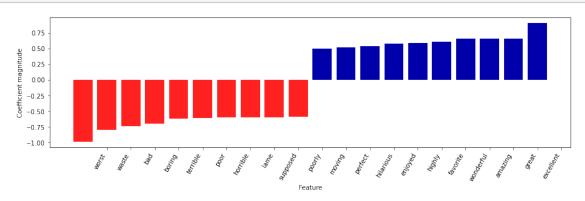
bad -0.736608 waste -0.799353 worst -0.986970

[10000 rows x 1 columns]

• The coefficients make sense!

Let's visualize the top 10 features.

[83]: mglearn.tools.visualize_coefficients(coeffs, feature_names, n_top_features=10)



Let's explore prediction of the following new review.

[84]: fake_review = "It got a bit boring at times but the direction was excellent and ⊔

⇔the acting was flawless. Overall I enjoyed the movie and I highly recomment

⇔it!"

[85]: feat_vec = pipe_lr.named_steps["countvectorizer"].transform([fake_review])

[86]: feat_vec

[86]: <1x10000 sparse matrix of type '<class 'numpy.int64'>'
with 12 stored elements in Compressed Sparse Row format>

Let's get prediction probability scores of the fake review.

[87]: pipe_lr.predict_proba([fake_review])

[87]: array([[0.1718113, 0.8281887]])

The model is 82% confident that it's a positive review.

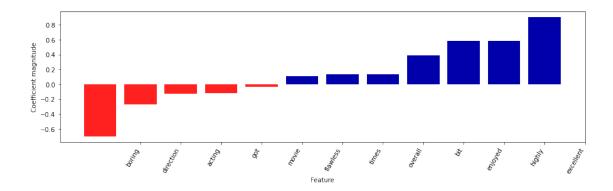
[88]: pipe_lr.predict([fake_review])[0]

[88]: 'pos'

We can find which of the vocabulary words are present in this review:

```
[89]: feat_vec.toarray().ravel().astype(bool)
[89]: array([False, False, False, ..., False, False, False])
[90]: words_in_ex = feat_vec.toarray().ravel().astype(bool)
      words_in_ex
[90]: array([False, False, False, ..., False, False, False])
     How many of the words are in this review?
[91]: np.sum(words_in_ex)
[91]: 12
[92]: np.array(feature_names)[words_in_ex]
[92]: array(['acting', 'bit', 'boring', 'direction', 'enjoyed', 'excellent',
              'flawless', 'got', 'highly', 'movie', 'overall', 'times'],
            dtype=object)
[93]: ex_df = pd.DataFrame(
          data=coeffs[words_in_ex],
          index=np.array(feature_names)[words_in_ex],
          columns=["Coefficient"],
      ex df
[93]:
                  Coefficient
                   -0.126498
      acting
      bit
                     0.390053
      boring
                   -0.701030
      direction
                   -0.268316
      enjoyed
                     0.578879
      excellent
                     0.903484
      flawless
                     0.113743
      got
                   -0.122759
      highly
                     0.582012
      movie
                    -0.037942
      overall
                     0.136288
      times
                     0.133895
     Let's visualize how the words with positive and negative coefficients are driving the hard prediction.
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)



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[95]: def plot_coeff_example(feat_vect, coeffs, feature_names):
    words_in_ex = feat_vect.toarray().ravel().astype(bool)

    ex_df = pd.DataFrame(
        data=coeffs[words_in_ex],
        index=np.array(feature_names)[words_in_ex],
        columns=["Coefficient"],
    )
    return ex_df
```

1.7.4 Most positive review

- Remember that you can look at the probabilities (confidence) of the classifier's prediction using the model.predict_proba method.
- Can we find the messages where our classifier is most confident or least confident?

[96]: array([0.95205899, 0.83301769, 0.9093526, ..., 0.89247531, 0.05736279, 0.79360853])

Let's get the index of the example where the classifier is most confident (highest predict_proba score for positive).

```
[97]: most_positive = np.argmax(pos_probs)
```

[98]: X_train.iloc[most_positive]

[98]: 'Moving beyond words is this heart breaking story of a divorce which results in a tragic custody battle over a seven year old boy. One of "Kramer v. Kramer\'s" great strengths is its screenwriter director Robert Benton, who has marvellously adapted Avery Corman\'s novel to the big screen. He keeps things beautifully

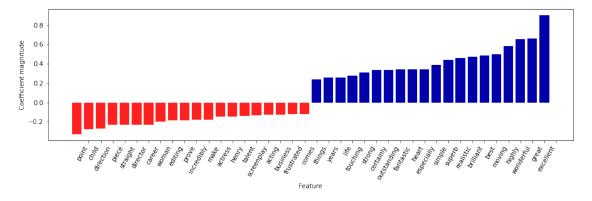
simple and most realistic, while delivering all the drama straight from the heart. His talent for telling emotional tales like this was to prove itself again with "Places in the Heart", where he showed, as in "Kramer v. Kramer", that he has a natural ability for working with children. The picture\'s other strong point is the splendid acting which deservedly received four of the film\'s nine Academy Award nominations, two of them walking away winners. One of those was Dustin Hoffman (Best Actor), who is superb as frustrated business man Ted Kramer, a man who has forgotten that his wife is a person. As said wife Joanne, Meryl Streep claimed the supporting actress Oscar for a strong, sensitive portrayal of a woman who had lost herself in eight years of marriage. Also nominated was Jane Alexander for her fantastic turn as the Kramer\'s good friend Margaret. Final word in the acting stakes must go to young Justin Henry, whose incredibly moving performance will find you choking back tears again and again, and a thoroughly deserved Oscar nomination came his way. Brilliant also is Nestor Almendros\' cinematography and Jerry Greenberg\'s timely editing, while musically Henry Purcell\'s classical piece is used to effect. Truly this is a touching story of how a father and son come to depend on each other when their wife and mother leaves. They grow together, come to know each other and form an entirely new and wonderful relationship. Ted finds himself with new responsibilities and a new outlook on life, and slowly comes to realise why Joanne had to go. Certainly if nothing else, "Kramer v. Kramer" demonstrates that nobody wins when it comes to a custody battle over a young child, especially not the child himself. Saturday, June 10, 1995 - T.V. Strong drama from Avery Corman\'s novel about the heartache of a custody battle between estranged parents who both feel they have the child\'s best interests at heart. Aside from a superb screenplay and amazingly controlled direction, both from Robert Benton, it\'s the superlative cast that make this picture such a winner. Hoffman is brilliant as Ted Kramer, the man torn between his toppling career and the son whom he desperately wants to keep. Excellent too is Streep as the woman lost in eight years of marriage who had to get out before she faded to nothing as a person. In support of these two is a very strong Jane Alexander as mutual friend Margaret, an outstanding Justin Henry as the boy caught in the middle, and a top cast of extras. This highly emotional, heart rending drama more than deserved it\'s 1979 Academy Awards for best film, best actor (Hoffman) and best supporting actress (Streep). Wednesday, February 28, 1996 - T.V.'

True target: pos

Predicted target: pos

Prediction probability: 1.0000

Let's examine the features associated with the review.



The review has both positive and negative words but the words with **positive** coefficients win in this case!

1.7.5 Most negative review

Name: review_pp, dtype: object

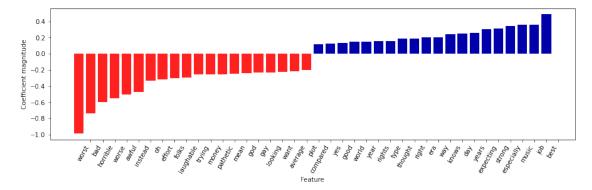
few nights ago. God I'm still trying to recover. This movie does not even

deserve a 1.4 average. IMDb needs to have 0 vote ratings po...

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True target: neg
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Predicted target: neg

Prediction probability: 1.0000



The review has both positive and negative words but the words with negative coefficients win in this case!

1.7.6 Questions for you

Question for you to ponder on

• Is it possible to identify most important features using k-NNs? What about decision trees? FALSE

1.8 Summary of linear models

- Linear regression is a linear model for regression whereas logistic regression is a linear model for classification.
- Both these models learn one coefficient per feature, plus an intercept.

1.8.1 Main hyperparameters

- The main hyperparameter is the "regularization" hyperparameter controlling the fundamental tradeoff.
 - Logistic Regression: C
 - Linear SVM: C

- Ridge: alpha

1.8.2 Interpretation of coefficients in linear models

- the jth coefficient tells us how feature j affects the prediction
- if $w_i > 0$ then increasing x_{ij} moves us toward predicting +1
- if $w_i < 0$ then increasing x_{ij} moves us toward prediction -1
- if $w_i == 0$ then the feature is not used in making a prediction

1.8.3 Strengths of linear models

- Fast to train and predict
- Scale to large datasets and work well with sparse data
- Relatively easy to understand and interpret the predictions
- Perform well when there is a large number of features

1.8.4 Limitations of linear models

- Is your data "linearly separable"? Can you draw a hyperplane between these datapoints that separates them with 0 error.
 - If the training examples can be separated by a linear decision rule, they are **linearly** separable.

A few questions you might be thinking about - How often the real-life data is linearly separable? - Is the following XOR function linearly separable?

x_1	x_2	target
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

• Are linear classifiers very limiting because of this?