

Important Equations in Machine Learning

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1 Supervised Learning

1.1 1. Linear Regression

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \epsilon \quad (1)$$

- y : Dependent variable (target)
- x : Independent variable (feature)
- β_0 : Intercept
- β_1 : Slope coefficient
- ϵ : Error term

1.2 2. Multiple Linear Regression

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \cdots + \beta_n x_n + \epsilon \quad (2)$$

- y : Dependent variable (target)
- x_i : Independent variables (features)
- β_0 : Intercept
- β_i : Coefficients for each feature
- ϵ : Error term

1.3 3. Logistic Regression

$$P(y = 1|x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x)}} \quad (3)$$

- $P(y = 1|x)$: Probability of class 1 given feature x
- β_0, β_1 : Model coefficients
- e : Euler's number (≈ 2.718)

1.4 4. Mean Squared Error (MSE)

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \quad (4)$$

- n : Number of observations
- y_i : Actual value
- \hat{y}_i : Predicted value

1.5 5. Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2} = \sqrt{MSE} \quad (5)$$

- n : Number of observations
- y_i : Actual value
- \hat{y}_i : Predicted value

1.6 6. Gradient Descent Update Rule

$$\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_j} \quad (6)$$

- θ_j : Model parameter
- α : Learning rate
- J : Cost function

2 Unsupervised Learning

2.1 7. Entropy (for Decision Trees)

$$H(X) = - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \log_2 p_i \quad (7)$$

- $H(X)$: Entropy of dataset X
- p_i : Probability of class i

2.2 8. Gini Impurity (for Decision Trees)

$$Gini = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^2 \quad (8)$$

- p_i : Probability of class i

2.3 9. K-Means Clustering Objective Function

$$J = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{x \in C_i} \|x - \mu_i\|^2 \quad (9)$$

- J : Objective function (Inertia)
- k : Number of clusters
- C_i : Cluster i
- x : Data point
- μ_i : Centroid of cluster i

3 Other Important Equations

3.1 10. Bayes' Theorem

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)} \quad (10)$$

- $P(A|B)$: Probability of A given B (Posterior)
- $P(B|A)$: Probability of B given A (Likelihood)
- $P(A)$: Prior probability of A
- $P(B)$: Prior probability of B (Evidence)

3.2 11. Support Vector Machine (SVM) Decision Function

$$f(x) = \text{sign}(w^T x + b) \quad (11)$$

- $f(x)$: Decision function
- w : Weight vector
- x : Feature vector
- b : Bias term

3.3 12. Neural Network Weight Update (Backpropagation)

$$w := w - \alpha \frac{\partial L}{\partial w} \quad (12)$$

- w : Weight parameter
- α : Learning rate
- L : Loss function

3.4 13. TF-IDF (Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency)

$$TF - IDF = TF \times IDF \quad (13)$$

$$IDF = \log \left(\frac{N}{DF} \right) \quad (14)$$

- TF : Term frequency
- IDF : Inverse document frequency
- N : Total number of documents
- DF : Number of documents containing the term