

Introduction to Large Language Model

Lecture 2: Preliminary - Linear and logistic regression

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Main contents in this lecture

- Linear regression
- Logistic regression
- Multi-class classification

Motivation

- You consider renting an apartment
- You don't know whether the price the agent offered is good or not
- You collect a dataset

Table: Collected dataset

Size	Location	Green rate	Decoration	Price
(x_1)	(x_2)	(x_3)	(x_4)	(y)
80 m ²	8	20%	6	10000
60 m ²	10	30%	8	9000
100 m ²	5	20%	5	9000
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
70 m ²	10	25%	9	12000

Motivation

- Below is your target apartment's description. What should be the reasonable price for this apartment?

Table: Your target apartment

Size	Location	Green rate	Decoration	Price
(x_1)	(x_2)	(x_3)	(x_4)	(y)
100 m ²	8	35%	8	?

- You need to learn how (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) will map to y from your dataset
- This is a typical task in machine learning: linear regression

Linear regression

- Consider a set of data $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$ where

$$\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{id}) \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

is the feature vector, e.g., x_{i1} = "Size" and x_{i2} = "Location", etc., and y is the label, e.g., y = "Price"

- We assume the mapping between \mathbf{x}_i and y_i is in the **linear** form

$$y_i \approx \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w} \tag{1}$$

where $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is the unknown parameter to learn

- If the parameter \mathbf{w} is known, given a new feature vector \mathbf{x} (e.g., the data for your target apartment), you can estimate its label y according to (1)

Linear regression

- How to get the parameter w ? We can calculate it with $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$
- A good w will incur the minimum estimation error

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \arg \min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^d} \left\{ \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2 \right\} \quad (2)$$

where is called the linear regression problem

- If we introduce

$$X = [\mathbf{x}_1^\top; \cdots; \mathbf{x}_N^\top] \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d} \quad y = [y_1; y_2; \cdots; y_N] \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

problem (2) becomes

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \arg \min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^d} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|X\mathbf{w} - y\|^2 \right\}$$

Solve the linear regression problem

- Consider the linear regression problem

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|X\mathbf{w} - y\|^2 \right\}$$

- Let $f(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \|X\mathbf{w} - y\|^2$, the gradient is given by

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{w}) = X^\top (X\mathbf{w} - y)$$

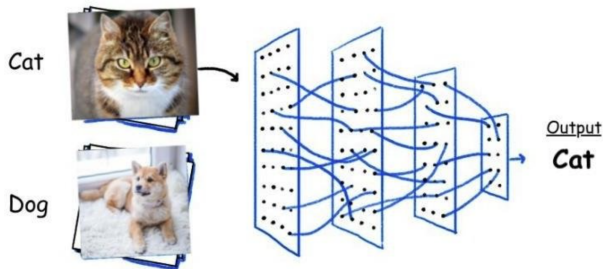
- The gradient descent is

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{w}_k - \gamma X^\top (X\mathbf{w}_k - y)$$

A code example

Logistic regression

- Another important machine learning task is classification



Logistic regression

- Again, we collect the dataset

Size	Ear shape	Tail length	Color	Label
(x_1)	(x_2)	(x_3)	(x_4)	(y)
100 cm	round	30cm	yellow	dog
40 cm	triangle	20cm	white	cat
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots

- We need to establish the mapping between (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) and the discrete label $y \in \{0, 1\}$ in which 1 indicates dog while 0 indicates cat

An intuitive approach

- We associate each feature item x_i with a weight w_i
- An intuitive hard classification approach is

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d) \longrightarrow y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^d x_i w_i > c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

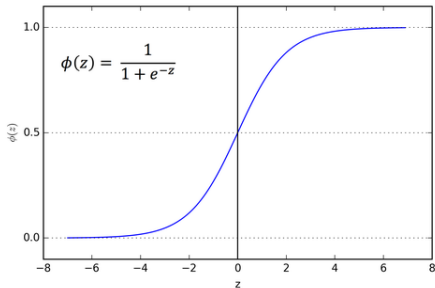
where c is a pre-defined threshold

- While intuitive, it is hard to construct smooth loss functions that facilitate to learn the weights (parameters) $\{w_i\}_{i=1}^d$

Sigmoid function

- Now we consider a different approach
- Sigmoid function maps $[-\infty, +\infty]$ to $[0, 1]$

$$\phi(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$



Predicted probability

- With sigmoid function, we can map (x_1, \dots, x_d) to a probability

$$p(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \in (0, 1) \quad \text{where} \quad z = \sum_{i=1}^d w_i x_i \quad (3)$$

- With (3), we map (x_1, \dots, x_d) to a probability distribution

$$(x_1, \dots, x_d) \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} p(z) \\ 1 - p(z) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

where $p(z)$ is the probability that (x_1, \dots, x_d) belongs to class 1

Real probability

- Given the label y , the real probability distribution is

$$\begin{bmatrix} y \\ 1 - y \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

where label $y \in \{0, 1\}$ can be regarded as the probability of class 1

- We need to measure the difference between

$$\text{(Predicted prob.)} \quad \begin{bmatrix} p(z) \\ 1 - p(z) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{(Real prob.)} \quad \begin{bmatrix} y \\ 1 - y \end{bmatrix}$$

Cross entropy

- Cross entropy can measure the difference between two probability distributions $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$H(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = - \sum_{i=1}^d p_i \log(q_i)$$

Smaller cross entropy indicates smaller difference between \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{q} .

- Examples:

$$\mathbf{p} = (1, 0, 0, 0) \quad \mathbf{q} = (0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.25) \quad \longrightarrow \quad H(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = 2$$

$$\mathbf{p} = (1, 0, 0, 0) \quad \mathbf{q} = (0.91, 0.03, 0.03, 0.03) \quad \longrightarrow \quad H(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = 0.136$$

Loss function

- Given a data pair (\mathbf{x}, y) where $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is the feature vector and $y \in \{0, 1\}$ is the label. Using the sigmoid function, we can predict the probability:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})} \\ \frac{\exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

- The difference between the predicted and real probability is given by

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}, y; \mathbf{w}) = -y \log\left(\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})}\right) - (1-y) \log\left(\frac{\exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})}\right) \quad (4)$$

- Given the dataset $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$, the loss function is to measure the averaged difference

$$L(\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N; \mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \ell(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i; \mathbf{w})$$

where $\ell(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i; \mathbf{w})$ is in (4).

Logistic regression

- By solving the following optimization problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \ell(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i; \mathbf{w}) \quad (5)$$

where $\ell(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i; \mathbf{w})$ is defined as

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i; \mathbf{w}) = -y_i \log \left(\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w})} \right) - (1 - y_i) \log \left(\frac{\exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w})}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w})} \right),$$

we can achieve the model parameters \mathbf{w}^* .

- Given \mathbf{w}^* and a new feature vector \mathbf{x} , we can decide its label by

$$y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \geq 0.5 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{where } p = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})}$$

Logistic regression: simplified loss

- The loss in (4) can be written as

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}, y; \mathbf{w}) = \begin{cases} \log(1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})) & \text{if } y = 1 \\ \log(1 + \exp(\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})) & \text{if } y = 0 \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

- If we modify the label as follows:

$$y \leftarrow \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y = 1 \\ -1 & \text{if } y = 0 \end{cases}$$

the loss in (6) becomes

$$\ell(\mathbf{x}, y; \mathbf{w}) = \log(1 + \exp(-y\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w})) \quad (7)$$

Logistic regression: simplified loss

- Substituting (7) to (5), logistic regression becomes

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \quad \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \ln(1 + \exp(-y_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w}))$$

where $y \in \{+1, -1\}$ is the modified label

- Exercise: the gradient descent recursion to solve the above problem

A code example

Multi-class classification

To be added

Summary

- Linear regression

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \quad \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2$$

- Logistic regression

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \quad \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \ln(1 + \exp(-y_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \mathbf{w}))$$