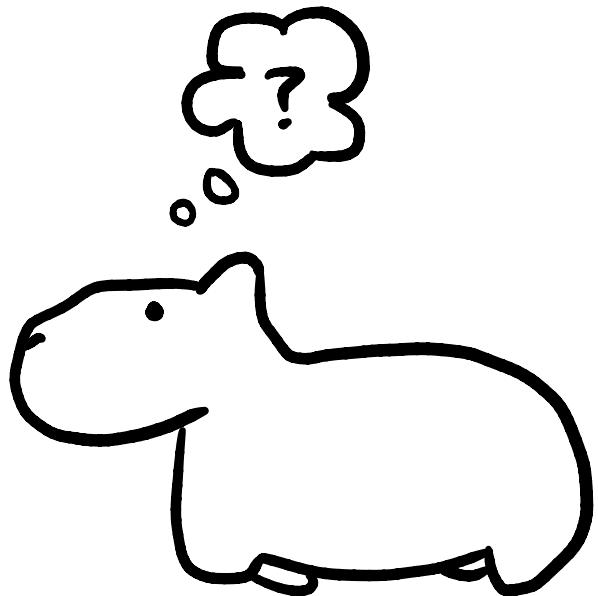
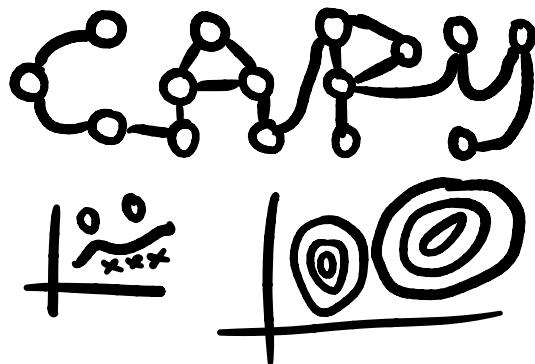


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Lecture 08/30 Intro

Logistics

- Ziv Bar-Joseph, Patrick Virtue
- Piazza for everything
- Midterm 10/27 Wednesday 6pm

Machine Learning

- Methods that can help generalize information from observed data so that it can be used to make better decisions in the future

Contrast

- Statistics: understanding data at hand
- Artificial Intelligence: build an intelligent agent
- Data Mining: patterns from large scale data

- 30+ minutes of sales pitch

Three axes

- Data - this class assumes you have (possibly incomplete) data

Algorithms

- Model-based: probabilistic, parametric, non-parametric
- Learning: from data to model
 - Model = summary of data = inform on data generation process
 - Inference: from model to knowledge
 - Given model, answer questions



Model-free

Tasks (later)

Parametric models

- Fixed-size models that do not grow with the data
- More data = learn / fit model better

Non-parametric models

- Models that grow with the data
- More data = more complex models

Discriminative models

- Find best line separating some set of points
- No generative assumption

Tasks

- Prediction: estimate output given input

- Classification (discrete labels), Regression (continuous labels)

- Description: (unsupervised learning) no supervision in data as to descriptive outputs
 - Density estimation, Clustering, Embedding

Formally

- Supervised learning : given $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}$ learn model $F: X_k \rightarrow Y_k$

- Unsupervised learning : given $D = \{x_i\}$ group data into Y classes using model $F: X_i \rightarrow Y_i$

- Reinforcement learning : given $D = \{\text{environment, actions, rewards}\}$ learn policy $F_1: t, r \rightarrow a$ and reward $F_2: t, a, e \rightarrow R$

- Active learning : given $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}$ learn $F: \{X_i\} \rightarrow x_k$ maximizing success of supervised learning $F_2: \{X_i, x_k\} \rightarrow Y$

Lecture 09/01 Probability, MLE, MAP

Probability

- Random variable: event whose status is unknown
- Domain Ω : the set of values a random variable can take
 - Binary/Discrete/Continuous

Axioms

- ① $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$
- ② $P(\text{true}) = 1, P(\text{false}) = 0$
- ③ $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

· Prior: degree of belief in an event in the absence of any other information

· Conditional probability: $P(A=1 | B=1)$ is the fraction of cases where A is true if B is true

· Joint distributions $P(A \cap B)$ or $P(A, B)$: probability that a set of random variables will take a specific value

- If we assume independence, $P(A, B) = P(A)P(B)$

· Chain rule: holds for any pair of random variables

$$\cdot P(A, B) = P(A|B)P(B)$$

Bayes rule

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

Bayes rule for conditional distributions

$$f(x|y) = \frac{f(y|x)f(x)}{\int f(y|x)f(x) dx}$$

Conditional distributions

· A statistical model is a collection of distributions, the parameters specify individual distributions

· Normal (Gaussian) distributions $x \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ $\Theta = (\mu, \sigma^2)$
 $p(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$ parameters

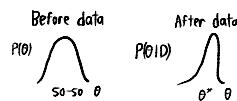
Multi-variate Gaussian

$$P(X|\theta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |\Sigma|^1} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} (X-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (X-\mu)\right]$$

Density estimation

Bayesian learning

$$P(\theta|D) = \frac{P(D|\theta)P(\theta)}{P(D)}$$



· But note the denominator doesn't really matter

$$P(\theta|D) \propto P(D|\theta)P(\theta)$$

posterior likelihood prior

Prior distribution

· Source of prior?

- Expert knowledge
- Simple posterior form
- Uniform (uninformative) prior
- Conjugate priors (next page)

Lecture 09/01 cont.

Conjugate prior

- Closed form representation of prior
- $P(q)$ and $P(q|D)$ have the same form as a function of θ
- Coin flip example

Bernoulli Likelihood

If prior is Beta

$$P(D|\theta) = \theta^{\alpha_H} (1-\theta)^{\alpha_T}$$

$$P(\theta) = \frac{\theta^{\beta_H-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta_T-1}}{B(\beta_H, \beta_T)} \sim \text{Beta}(\beta_H, \beta_T)$$

Then posterior is Beta

$$P(\theta|D) \sim \text{Beta}(\beta_H + \alpha_H, \beta_T + \alpha_T)$$

- Dice roll example

Multinomial Likelihood

If prior is Dirichlet

$$P(D|\theta) = \theta_1^{\alpha_1} \theta_2^{\alpha_2} \theta_3^{\alpha_3} \dots \theta_k^{\alpha_k}$$

$$P(\theta) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^k \theta_i^{\beta_i-1}}{B(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k)} \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k)$$

Then posterior is Dirichlet

$$P(\theta|D) \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\beta_1 + \alpha_1, \dots, \beta_k + \alpha_k)$$

Posterior distribution

- Approach above is Bayesian

- Prior encoded as distribution over parameter values
- Bayes rule for updated posterior distribution

MAP (Maximum A Posteriori) Estimation

- Choose θ that maximizes a posterior probability

$$\hat{\theta}_{\text{MAP}} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(\theta|D) = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(D|\theta) P(\theta)$$

- Not widely used in practice, needs to assume prior

Density Estimation

- Learn mapping from set of attributes to probability
- Binary/discrete variables: just count
- Continuous variables: fit a model
- Trivial learning algorithm for discrete variables

$$\hat{P}(x_i = u) = \frac{\text{# records in which } x=u}{\text{total # of records}}$$

Maximum Likelihood Principle

$$\hat{P}(\text{dataset} | M) = \hat{P}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | M) = \prod_{k=1}^n \hat{P}(x_k | M)$$

model ↑

- For coin flip $P(D|M) = q^n (1-q)^{n_1}$

$$\underset{q}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(D|M) \Rightarrow q = \frac{n_1}{n_1 + n_2}$$

Lecture 09/01 cont.

Log Probabilities

- Sometimes probabilities are too small, use logspace instead to remove exponents etc

$$\log \hat{P}(\text{dataset} | M) = \log \prod_{k=1}^n \hat{P}(x_k | M) = \sum_{k=1}^n \log \hat{P}(x_k | M)$$

↑ since \log monotonic between 0 and 1, maximizing this also maximizes original

Maximum Likelihood Principle

- Fit statistical models by maximizing probability of generating observed samples

$$L(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \underbrace{p(x_1 | \theta) \cdots p(x_n | \theta)}_{\substack{\text{assume samples} \\ \text{are independent}}}$$

- For the Gaussian

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \quad \bar{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

MLE vs MAP

- MLE: choose value that maximizes probability of observed data

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(D|\theta)$$

- MAP: choose value that is most probable given observed data and prior belief

$$\hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(\theta|D) = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(D|\theta) P(\theta)$$

Lecture 09/08 Decision Theory

Logistics

- Hw1 out, due Wed 9/22 2359

Fisher Iris Dataset 1936

- $D = \{(y^{(i)}, \vec{x}^{(i)})\}_{i=1}^N = \{(y^{(i)}, x_1^{(i)}, x_2^{(i)}, x_3^{(i)}, x_4^{(i)})\}_{i=1}^N$
- $y \in \{0, 1, 2\}^N$
- $X \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 4}$ design matrix

Type	sepal length	sepal width	petal length	petal width
0				
0				
1				
2				

design
matrix
/observations

Density estimation review

$$D = \{x_i^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$$

- Assume Gaussian $X_2 \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} p(D; \theta) &= p(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}; \mu^{(1)}, \sigma^{(1)}, \mu^{(2)}, \sigma^{(2)}, \mu^{(3)}, \sigma^{(3)}) \\ &= p(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}; \mu, \sigma) \\ &= p(x^{(1)}; \mu, \sigma) p(x^{(2)}; \mu, \sigma) p(x^{(3)}; \mu, \sigma) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^3 p(x^{(i)}; \mu, \sigma) \end{aligned}$$

expand notation

identically distributed

independent

MLE

$$p(D; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(x_i^{(i)}; \mu, \sigma)$$

$$\text{Likelihood } L(\theta; D) = p(D; \theta)$$

$$\hat{\theta} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} L(\theta; D)$$

Lecture 09/08 cont.

- Density estimation $D = \{\vec{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ $D \rightarrow \hat{\theta}$
- Supervised learning $D = \{y^{(i)}, \vec{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ $h(\vec{x}) \rightarrow \hat{y}$

- Iris data supervised learning
 - Classification error rate $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}(y^{(i)} \neq \hat{y}^{(i)})$

Bayes decision rule

```
def h(x):
    if p(x|Y=1)p(Y=1) ≥ p(x|Y=0)p(Y=0):
        return 1
    else:
        return 0
```

$$P(y=i|X) = \frac{P(X|y=i) P(y=i)}{P(X)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} q_i(x)$$

↑
class

Optimal classification function

$$h^*(x) = \underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(Y=y|X=x)$$

Goal: minimize expected loss for random test data (X, Y)

$$h^* = \underset{h}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_{XY}[L(Y, h(x))]$$

Loss function $L: Y \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

- Two class 0-1 loss

- Two class arbitrary loss

- Risk = expected loss

$$R(h) = \mathbb{E}_{XY}[L(Y, h(x))]$$

Lecture 09/13 kNN, Naive Bayes

Classifiers: three major groups

① **Instance-based**: use observations directly, no models, e.g., kNN

② **Generative**: generative statistical model, e.g., Bayesian network

③ **Discriminative**: directly estimate a decision rule/boundary, e.g., decision tree

k Nearest Neighbor kNN

- Select class based on majority vote in the k closest points

- Need to define distance function

- How to find a good value of k ?

- Cross validation, later

- Influences smoothness of classifier

- Almost like a kernel method, but depends on input data not on parameters

Naive Bayes classifier

joint on
all input → class label

- For Bayes decision rule above, how to compute $P(X|y)$?

- Suppose 16 binary attributes $\rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ class. How many parameters needed for fully determining $P(X|y)$?

- $2^{16}-1$ parameters for each class \Rightarrow infeasible

Lecture 09/13 cont.

• Naive Bayes classifier cont.

• Assume given the class label, attributes are conditionally independent

$$P(X|y) = \prod_j P_j(x^j|y)$$

• Now you only need 16 parameters total for previous example

• Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{y} &= \operatorname{argmax}_v P(y=v|X) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_v \frac{P(X|y=v) P(y=v)}{P(X)} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_v \prod_j P_j(x^j|y=v) P(y=v) \end{aligned}$$

• Conditional Likelihood

$$L(X_i | y_i=1, \theta) = \prod_j P(x_i^j | y_i=1, \theta_j^i)$$

\uparrow
 sample i
 \uparrow
 set of all parameters
 \uparrow
 specific parameters for attribute j in class 1

• Feature Transform

• For text, Bag of Words is common

• Document = collection of words encoded as a vector

• Vector can be binary (present/absent) or discrete (# appearances)

• Example: document X_i modeled by vector of m^* indicator features $\{\phi^j(x_i)\}$ where $\phi^j(x_i)=1$ if word $j \in$ document X_i and is 0 otherwise.

Then $\Phi(x_i) = [\phi^1(x_i) \dots \phi^m(x_i)]^T$ is the feature vector for document X_i

Also written $\Phi(x_i) = [\phi^1 \phi^2 \dots \phi^m]$.

• English typically uses $\sim 10k$ words.

• Problems with Naive Bayes

• Assumption of conditional independence given class label is often violated

• If insufficient data, not observed by training data, your probability can zero out

• Pseudocounts: add one sample with all words, one sample with no words

• Naive Bayes classifier for continuous values

• Usually Gaussian model is used, i.e., $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$

• In more depth,

$$\begin{aligned} y_i &\sim \text{Multinomial}(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N) \quad \text{generates output} \\ x_j &\sim N(\mu_j, \Sigma_j) \quad \text{generates corresponding input} \end{aligned}$$

• To determine class,

$$P(X|y) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(X-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (X-\mu)\right] \rightarrow \text{need lots of data to compute mean } \mu, \text{ covariance } \Sigma$$

• By applying Naive Bayes assumption,

covariance Σ becomes diagonal matrix,

only need to learn $x^j \sim N(\mu_j, \sigma_j^2)$

$$P(X|y=v) = \prod_j P(x^j|y=v) = \prod_j \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{1/2} \sigma_j} \exp\left[-\frac{(x^j - \mu_j)^2}{2(\sigma_j^2)}\right] \rightarrow \text{each class has its own mean and variance}$$

Lecture 09/15 Decision Trees

Decision Trees

- Internal nodes = attributes
- Leafs = classification
- Edges = assignment

```
def buildTree(n, A):    n=samples, A=attributes
    if empty(A) or all n(L) same:
        status=leaf
        class=most common class in n(L)
    else:
        status=internal
        a=bestAttribute(n, A)
        left = buildTree (na=1, A\{a})
        right = buildTree (na=0, A\{a})
```

Entropy

$$H(X) = \sum_c P(X=c) \log_2 P(X=c)$$

Conditional entropy

$$H(Y|X) = \sum_i P(X=i) H(Y|X=i)$$

Information gain

$$IG(Y|X) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

Note $IG(Y|X) \geq 0$ by Jensen's

bestAttribute = attribute that maximizes information gain at each node

Avoiding overfitting

Tree pruning

- Split data into train and test
- Build tree with train
 - For all internal nodes starting at root,
 - Remove subtree rooted at node
 - Assign class to be most common among training
 - Check test data error
 - If error lower, keep change
 - Else restore subtree, repeat for all nodes in subtree

Continuous values

Threshold to turn into binary / discretize

Decision trees surprisingly very effective in practice

Lecture 09/20 Ensemble: bagging, random forest. Linear regression.

Bagging / bootstrap aggregation

- Reduce variance of an estimated prediction function
- Classification: a committee of trees each cast a vote for the predicted class
- Idea: randomly draw datasets with replacement from the training data, each sample same size
- $Z = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_N, y_N)\}$
- Z^{*b} where $b=1$ to B
 $\hat{f}_{\text{bag}}(x) = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^B \hat{f}^{*b}(x)$ prediction at input x
when bootstrap sample b
is used for training
- Recommended >50% samples

Random Forest

- Extension to bagging: use a subset of the features (at each tree node!) instead of the samples
- At each node choosing split feature, choose only among $m < M$ feature
- Helps to create smaller decision trees
- Recommended \sqrt{n} features

Linear Regression

- Given X , predict y , where we assume $y = wX + \epsilon$

Least squares error

- $\operatorname{argmin}_w \sum_i (y_i - w x_i)^2$
- Minimizes squared distance between measurements, predicted line
 $\frac{\partial}{\partial w} \sum_i (y_i - w x_i)^2 = -2 \sum_i x_i (y_i - w x_i)$
 $= 0$ when $w = \frac{\sum_i x_i y_i}{\sum_i x_i^2}$

Adding a bias

- If line doesn't pass through origin
- $y = w_0 + w_1 x + \epsilon$
- $w_0 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i (y_i - w_1 x_i)$ $w_1 = \frac{\sum_i x_i (y_i - w_0)}{\sum_i x_i^2}$

Multiple inputs / multivariate regression

- $y = w_0 + w_1 x_1 + \dots + w_k x_k + \epsilon$

Non-linear basis functions

- As long as coefficients are linear, still a linear regression problem

Examples

- Polynomial $\Phi_j(x) = x^j$ for $j=0$ to n
- Gaussian $\Phi_j(x) = \frac{x - \mu_j}{2 \sigma_j^2}$
- Sigmoid $\Phi_j(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-s_j x)}$

General linear regression

- $y = \sum_{j=0}^n w_j \Phi_j(x)$

Lecture 09/20 cont.

General linear regression loss

$$J(w) = \sum_i (y^i - \sum_j w_j \phi_j(x^i))^2$$

$$J(w) = \sum_i (y^i - w^T \phi(x^i))^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w} J(w) = 2 \sum_i (w^T \phi(x^i) - y^i) \phi(x^i)^T \\ = 0 \text{ when } \sum_i y^i \phi(x^i)^T = w^T [\sum_i \phi(x^i) \phi(x^i)^T]$$

Let $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0(x^1) & \phi_k(x^1) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \phi_0(x^n) & \phi_k(x^n) \end{pmatrix}$ n by k+1

Then $w = (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y$
which is known as the pseudo inverse

Probabilistic interpretation

$$y = w^T \phi(x) + \epsilon$$

$$\text{Then } w_{MLE} = (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y$$

Extensions to linear regression

Note parameters learnt were global

Extensions adjust parameters based on input region

Splines

Before: fit one function for entire region

Now: fit a set of piecewise (usually cubic) polynomials satisfying continuity and smoothness constraints.

Need to define regions in advance, usually uniform

Local Average Regression

Local Kernel Regression

Nadaraya-Watson Kernel Regression

Spatially adaptive regression

Lecture 09/22 Logistic Regression

Generative vs discriminative

Generative: rely on all points, compute $P(X|Y)$

Discriminative: care about boundary, do not compute $P(X|Y)$

Linear regression

Problem: objective fn cares more about min dist than correctly classifying



Lecture 09/22 cont.

Sigmoid function

$$g(h) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-h}}$$

Sigmoid binary classification

- $p(y=0|X; \theta) = g(w^T x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{w^T x}}$ note - can be absorbed into w
- $p(y=1|X; \theta) = 1 - g(w^T x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-w^T x}}$

Sigmoid likelihood

- $L(y|X; w) = \prod_i (1 - g(x_i; w))^{y_i} g(x_i; w)^{(1-y_i)}$
 - $\log L(y|X; w) = \sum_{i=1}^N y_i w^T x_i - \ln(1 + e^{w^T x_i})$
 - $\frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} [\log L(y|X; w)] = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^j (y_i - p(y_i=1|X_i; w))$
 - No closed form
 - But concave \Rightarrow gradient ascent
- } helpful to write
 $g(X; w)$ and
 $1 - g(X; w)$ in derivations

Gradient ascent

- $w^j \leftarrow w^j + \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^j (y_i - (1 - g(x_i; w)))$ where ϵ = small constant = learning rate

Logistic regression

- ① Choose ϵ
- ② Start with guess for w
- ③ For all j , $w^j \leftarrow w^j + \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^j (y_i - (1 - g(x_i; w)))$
- ④ Check if $LL(y|X; w) = \sum_{i=1}^N y_i \ln(1 - g(x_i; w)) + (1 - y_i) \ln(g(x_i; w))$
 - improved \rightarrow go to step ③
 - same \rightarrow stop

Regularization

- What if not enough data?
- Regularize: impose additional constraints on the parameters are fitting
- Add the prior: $p(y=1, \theta|X) \propto p(y=1|X; \theta) p(\theta)$
- This changes the LL, e.g., with Gaussian prior,
 - $LL(y; w|X) = \sum_{i=1}^N y_i w^T x_i - \ln(1 + e^{w^T x_i}) - \sum_j \frac{(w_j)^2}{2\sigma^2}$ assuming mean 0
 - $w^j \leftarrow w^j + \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^N [x_i^j (y_i - (1 - g(x_i; w)))] - E \frac{w^j}{\sigma^2}$
 - MAP estimate
 - variance of prior model
- Gaussian \rightarrow L2 regularization, $\min \|w\|^2$
- L1 also popular, $\min \|w\|$

Multiclass logistic regression

- For $i < k$, set $p(y=i|X; \theta) = g(w_i^0 + w_1^T x' + \dots + w_d^T x^d) = g(w_i^T X)$
- where $g(z_i) = \frac{e^{z_i}}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} e^{z_j}}$ where $z_i = w_i^0 + w_1^T x' + \dots + w_d^T x^d$
- and $P(y=k|X; \theta) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} e^{z_j}}$
- and $w_m^j \leftarrow w_m^j + \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^j (\delta_m(y_i) - p(y_i=m|X_i; w))$ where $\delta_m(y_i) = 1$ if $y_i = m$, 0 otherwise
- (can also incorporate ϕ transforms of data)

Lecture 09/27 Support Vector Machines

SVM

- Mainly works for 2 classes, extensions are heuristic (still works though)
- Discriminative, not probabilistic

Max margin classifier aka linear SVM

- Instead of fitting all points, fit boundary points

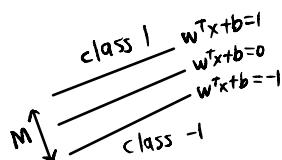
Learn boundary maximizing margin from both sets of points

Margin = distance to closest point on either side

- No proof, but works well in practice

Specifying max margin classifier

- +1 if $w^T x + b \geq 1$
- 1 if $w^T x + b \leq -1$
- Undefined if $-1 < w^T x + b < 1$



Note: strong linear assumption

Maximizing the margin

- Observe: w orthogonal to +1 plane, -1 plane

Observe: if x^+ a point on +1 plane and x^- closest point to x^+ on the -1 plane
then $x^+ = \lambda w + x^-$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & w^T x^+ + b = +1 \\ & w^T x^- + b = -1 \\ & x^+ = \lambda w + x^- \\ & |x^+ - x^-| = M \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} & w^T x^+ + b = +1 \\ & w^T x^- + b = -1 \\ & x^+ = \lambda w + x^- \\ & |x^+ - x^-| = M \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Solving, } \lambda = \frac{2}{w^T w}, M = \sqrt{\frac{2}{w^T w}}$$

So our solution should

- Correctly classify all points
- Minimize $w^T w$

Quadratic programming

$$\min_u \frac{u^T R u}{2} + d^T u + c$$

subject to n inequality constraints
 $a_{11}u_1 + a_{12}u_2 + \dots \leq b_1$

$$a_{n1}u_1 + a_{n2}u_2 + \dots \leq b_n$$

and k equivalency constraints
 $a_{m1,1}u_1 + a_{m1,2}u_2 + \dots = b_{m1}$

$$a_{n+k,1}u_1 + a_{n+k,2}u_2 + \dots = b_{n+k}$$

where

u is unknown vector

R is square matrix

d is vector

c is scalar

QP problems have better solvers than gradient descent/simulated annealing

SVM as QP

$$\min (w^T w) / 2$$

Subject to

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \text{ in class } +1, w^T x + b &\geq 1 \\ \forall x \text{ in class } -1, w^T x + b &\leq -1 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \right\} n \text{ constraints}$$

Last column in R is 0

Non linearly separable cases, how to QP?

Minimize training errors

- $\min w^T w, \min \# \text{errors}$

Hard to solve 2 minimization problems

Penalize training errors

- $\min w^T w + C (\# \text{errors})$

Hard to encode in QP problem

Minimize distance between misclassified points and correct plane

$$\min_w (w^T w) / 2 + \sum_{i=1}^n C \epsilon_i$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x_i \text{ in class } +1, w^T x_i + b &\geq 1 - \epsilon_i \\ \forall x_i \text{ in class } -1, w^T x_i + b &\leq -1 + \epsilon_i \\ \forall i, \epsilon_i &\geq 0 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \right\} n \text{ constraints}$$

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$$\left. \right\} n \text{ constraints}$$

Dual representation of SVM QP

This representation allows for a trick for easier math, faster runtime

Lagrange multiplier

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_x x^2 & \rightarrow \min_x \max_{\alpha} x^2 - \alpha(x-b) \\ \text{st } x \geq b & \text{st } \alpha \geq 0 \end{array}$$

Lagrange multiplier for SVM

Linearly separable case

Original

$$\begin{array}{l} \min (w^T w) / 2 \\ \text{st } (w^T x_i + b) y_i \geq 1 \end{array}$$

Dual

$$\min_{w,b} \max_{\alpha} (w^T w) / 2 - \sum_i \alpha_i [(w^T x_i + b) y_i - 1]$$

$$\text{st } \alpha_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i$$

Taking derivatives, solves to

$$w = \sum_i \alpha_i x_i y_i$$

$$b = y_i - w^T x_i \quad \text{for } i \text{ st } \alpha_i > 0$$

$$\sum_i \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial w} &= w - \sum_i \alpha_i x_i y_i \\ &= 0 \quad \text{when } w = \sum_i \alpha_i x_i y_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial b} &= -\sum_i \alpha_i y_i \\ &= 0 \quad \text{when } \sum_i \alpha_i y_i = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_i} = -[(w^T x_i + b) y_i - 1] = 0 \quad \text{when}$$

$$(w^T x_i + b) y_i = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (w^T x_i + b)^2 = y_i^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (w^T x_i + b) = y_i \quad (\text{recall } y_i = 1, -1)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (w^T x_i + b) y_i = 1 \\ (w^T x_i + b)^2 = y_i^2 \\ (w^T x_i + b) = y_i \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow b = y_i - w^T x_i + b$$

for all i where $\alpha_i > 0$

Lecture 09/28 cont.

- In general, N data points are **separable** in a space of $N-1$ dimensions or more
- Map original input space into higher dimensional feature space
- High dimensionality** and **many more parameters** are **possible problems**
- But SVM well-suited: **kernel tricks** for efficient computation, dual formulation only assigns parameters to samples not features

Quadratic kernel trick

$$\Phi(x) \Phi(z) = \begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}x^1 & \frac{1}{2}z^1 \\ \frac{1}{2}x^m & \frac{1}{2}z^m \\ (x^1)^2 & (z^1)^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ (x^m)^2 & (z^m)^2 \\ \frac{1}{2}x^1 z^1 & \frac{1}{2}x^m z^m \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{matrix} = \sum_i 2x^i z^i + \sum_i (x^i)^2 + \sum_i \sum_{j=i+1}^m 2x^i z^j = 1$$

m linear terms
m quadratic terms
m(m-1)/2 pairwise terms

But note that

$$\begin{aligned} (\langle x, z \rangle + 1)^2 &= \langle x, z \rangle^2 + 2\langle x, z \rangle + 1 \\ &= (\sum_i x^i z^i)^2 + (\sum_i 2x^i z^i) + 1 \\ &= (\sum_i 2x^i z^i) + (\sum_i (x^i)^2) + (\sum_i \sum_{j=i+1}^m 2x^i z^j) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

which only costs m operations

Lecture 10/04 Neural Networks

Linear classifiers

- Decision stumps
- Generative model
- Logistic regression
- SVM
- Perceptron
- But for **nonlinear data?**
 - Feature mapping
 - Learn the boundary

Perceptron alg w/o bias

$$t=1$$

$$w_1 = \vec{0}$$

On mistake:

$$\text{mistake positive } w_{t+1} \leftarrow w_t + x$$

$$\text{mistake negative } w_{t+1} \leftarrow w_t - x$$

Classification

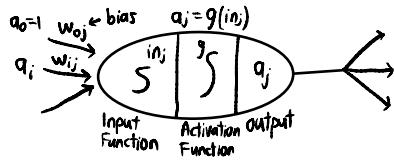
$$h(x) = \text{sign}(w^T x + b)$$

Multilayer Perceptrons

- Feedforward neural network with at least one hidden layer
- Hidden layer has nodes that are neither inputs nor outputs

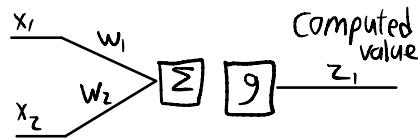
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· 1943 Neuron McCulloch & Pitts



· Single Neuron system

- g step \Rightarrow Perceptron
- g sigmoid \Rightarrow logistic regression
- g identity \Rightarrow linear regression



· Activation functions

Hard threshold	$g(z) = \begin{cases} 1 & z \geq 0 \\ 0 & z < 0 \end{cases}$	$\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} = \begin{cases} 0 & z \geq 0 \\ 0 & z < 0 \end{cases}$
Sigmoid / softmax	$g(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-z)}$	$\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} = g(z)(1 - g(z))$
ReLU	$g(z) = \max(0, z)$	$\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} = \begin{cases} 1 & z \geq 0 \\ 0 & z < 0 \end{cases}$

· Optimizing

To find the best set of weights

$$l(y, \hat{y}) = (y - \hat{y})^2$$

$$J(w) = l(y_i, h_w(x^i)) = (y^i - h_w(x^i))^2$$

$$w \leftarrow w - \alpha \nabla_w J(w)$$

$$\hat{y} = h_w(x) = g(\sum_j w_j x_j)$$

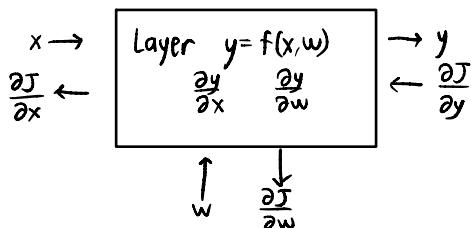
· Loss functions

· Regression has squared error $l(y, \hat{y}) = (y - \hat{y})^2$

· Classification has cross entropy $l(y, \hat{y}) = -\sum_k y_k \log \hat{y}_k$

· Backpropagation

· Compute derivatives per layer, forwards then backwards



Lecture 10/6 More Neural Networks

- Prove $\frac{\partial}{\partial v} v^T A v = (A^T + A)v$, $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Av = v_1 \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{21} \end{pmatrix} + v_2 \begin{pmatrix} a_{12} \\ a_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 a_{11} + v_2 a_{12} \\ v_1 a_{21} + v_2 a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v^T (A v) = v_1^2 a_{11} + v_1 v_2 a_{12} + v_1 v_2 a_{21} + v_2^2 a_{22}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_1} v^T A v = 2v_1 a_{11} + v_2 a_{12} + v_2 a_{21}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_2} v^T A v = 2v_2 a_{12} + v_1 a_{12} + v_1 a_{21}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial v} v^T A v = \begin{pmatrix} 2a_{11} + v_2 a_{12} + v_1 a_{21} \\ 2a_{12} + a_{11} + a_{21} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Multivariate Chain Rule

$$y = f(\vec{z})$$

$$\vec{z} = g(x)$$

$$\vec{y} = f(\vec{z})$$

$$\vec{z} = g(\vec{x})$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sum_j \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial z_j} \frac{\partial z_j}{dx} \quad \frac{dy_i}{dx_k} = \sum_j \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial z_j} \frac{\partial z_j}{\partial x_k}$$

- Practical neural network considerations

- Large number of neurons \Rightarrow danger of overfitting

- Modeling assumptions vs data assumptions

- Gradient descent can easily get stuck in local optima (not convex)

- If there are no non-linear activations, all linear layers can be reduced into single linear layer

- Universal approximation thm

- A two-layer neural network with sufficiently many neurons can approximate any continuous function to any desired accuracy

- Tensorflow playground is nice

Convolutional Neural Networks

- History

- 2005 HoG Histogram of oriented gradients

- HoG \rightarrow linear filter

- AlexNet breakthrough

Convolution

- Signal processing

$$z[i, j] = \sum_{u=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{v=-\infty}^{\infty} x[i-u, j-v] \cdot w[u, v]$$

- Relaxed definition

$$z[i, j] = \sum_{u=0}^{K-1} \sum_{v=0}^{K-1} x[i+u, j+v] \cdot w[u, v]$$

Lecture 10/11 Ensemble Methods

Recall decision trees

- + Computationally efficient
- + Interpretable
- + Compatible with continuous, discrete features
- Prone to overfitting, addressable by heuristics (e.g., pruning)
- High bias, addressable by bagging
- High variance (especially short trees), addressable by boosting

Bias-Variance Tradeoff

$$\text{True error of model} = \text{Bias} + \text{Variance}$$

- How well can model approximate target
- Decrease with model complexity
- How well can model approximate anything
- Increase with model complexity

Bagging

- Bootstrap aggregating
- Combine prediction of many hypotheses to reduce variance
 - Regression $\bar{h}(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m h_i(\vec{x})$
 - Classification $\bar{h}(\vec{x}) = \text{Sign}(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m h_i(\vec{x}))$ where encoding is $\{+1, -1\}$
- If x_1, \dots, x_n independent rvs with var σ^2 then var of $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is $\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

Random Forests

- Input: $D = \{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}, B$
- Alg:
 - for $b=1$ to B :
 - $D_b \leftarrow$ sample n points from D with replacement
 - $t_b \leftarrow$ learn decision tree using D_b , ID3 algorithm with split feature randomization
- Output: \bar{t} the aggregated hypothesis
- Important because bagging alone does not create independent trees

Boosting

- Tries to reduce bias of a "weak" or highly biased model
- Can also reduce variance

AdaBoost [Schapire 1989]

- Intuition: iteratively reweight inputs, giving more weight to inputs that are difficult to predict correctly
- Most widely known/used in practice today

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Ada Boost

Input: $D(Y = \{-1, +1\}, T)$

Algorithm:

$$w_1^{(0)}, \dots, w_n^{(0)} \leftarrow \frac{1}{n}$$

for $t=1$ to T :

$h_t \leftarrow$ train weak learner minimizing weighted training error ε_t

$$\varepsilon_t \leftarrow \sum_{i=1}^n w_i^{(t-1)} \mathbb{I}(h_t(\vec{x}_i) \neq y_i)$$

$$\alpha_t \leftarrow \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1 - \varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t} \right)$$

$$w_i^{(t)} \leftarrow \frac{w_i^{(t-1)}}{z_t} \times \begin{cases} e^{-\alpha_t} & \text{if } h_t(\vec{x}_i) = y_i \\ e^{\alpha_t} & \text{if } h_t(\vec{x}_i) \neq y_i \end{cases} = \frac{1}{z_t} w_i^{(t-1)} \exp(-\alpha_t y_i h_t(\vec{x}_i))$$

Output: aggregated hypothesis

$$g_T(\vec{x}) = \text{sign}(H_T(\vec{x})) = \text{sign}\left(\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t h_t(\vec{x})\right)$$

α_t intuition: want good weak learners to have large weights

w_i intuition: want incorrectly classified inputs to receive a higher weight in the next round

$$\varepsilon_t < \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1 - \varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t} > 1 \Rightarrow \alpha_t > 0 \Rightarrow e^{-\alpha_t} < 1 \text{ and } e^{\alpha_t} > 1$$

Ada Boost intuition:

Want weak learners because low variance/cheap to compute

Want final hypothesis to be weighted combination of weak learners because individual weak learners do poorly

AdaBoost greedily minimizes exponential loss $e(h, \vec{x}, y) = e^{-y h(\vec{x})}$ which upper bounds the binary error

Exponential loss

Claim: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e^{-y_i h(\vec{x}_i)} \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{sign}(h(\vec{x}_i)) \neq y_i$

Then: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e^{-y_i h(\vec{x}_i)} \rightarrow 0 \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{sign}(h(\vec{x}_i)) \neq y_i \rightarrow 0$

Claim: If $g_T = \text{sign}(H_T)$ is AdaBoost hypothesis then $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e^{-y_i H_T(\vec{x}_i)} = \prod_{t=1}^T z_t$

Consider $w_i^{(0)}, w_i^{(1)}, w_i^{(2)}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In general, } w_i^{(T)} &= \frac{\prod_{t=1}^T \exp(-\alpha_t y_i h_t(\vec{x}_i))}{n \prod_{t=1}^T z_t} \\ &= \frac{\exp(-\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t y_i h_t(\vec{x}_i))}{n \prod_{t=1}^T z_t} \\ &= \frac{\exp(-y_i H_T(\vec{x}_i))}{n \prod_{t=1}^T z_t} \end{aligned}$$

Since normalized, $\sum_{i=1}^N w_i^{(T)} = 1 = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\exp(-y_i H_T(\vec{x}_i))}{n \prod_{t=1}^T z_t}$

$$\text{Hence } \prod_{t=1}^T z_t = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N \exp(-y_i H_T(\vec{x}_i))$$

Then: one way of minimizing in-sample exponential loss is to greedily minimize z_t

Greedy exponential loss minimization

$$z_t = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i^{(t-1)} e^{-w y_i h(\vec{x})}$$

$$= \sum_{y_i = h_t(\vec{x}_i)} w_i^{(t-1)} e^{-w} + \sum_{y_i \neq h_t(\vec{x}_i)} w_i^{(t-1)} e^w$$

$$= e^{-w}(1 - \varepsilon_t) + e^w (\varepsilon_t)$$

$$\frac{\partial z_t}{\partial w} = -e^{-w}(1 - \varepsilon_t) + e^w (\varepsilon_t)$$

= 0 when $w = w^*$ for some w^*

$$e^{w^*}(\varepsilon_t) = e^{-w^*}(1 - \varepsilon_t)$$

$$e^{w^*} = \frac{1 - \varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t}$$

$$w^* = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t}$$

i.e., importance defined to minimize z_t , minimizes since $\frac{\partial^2 z_t}{\partial w^2} > 0$

z_t simplifies further to $2\sqrt{\varepsilon_t(1 - \varepsilon_t)} < 1$ if $\varepsilon_t < \frac{1}{2}$

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Training error

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(y_i \neq g_T(\vec{x}_i)) \leq \prod_{t=1}^T \varepsilon_t = \prod_{t=1}^T \sqrt{\varepsilon_t(1-\varepsilon_t)} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty \text{ as long as } \varepsilon_t < \frac{1}{2} \forall t$$

True error [Freund, Schapire, 1995]

For AdaBoost,

$$\text{True Error} \leq \text{Training Error} + \tilde{O}\left(\sqrt{\frac{d_{VC}(H) T}{n}}\right)$$

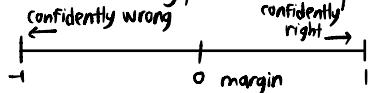
where $d_{VC}(H)$ = VC dimension of weak learners, T = # weak learners, n = # training data points

Empirically, increasing T does not lead to overfitting as implied by above bound

Margin of training point (\vec{x}_i, y_i) defined as

$$m(\vec{x}_i, y_i) = \frac{y_i \sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t h_t(\vec{x}_i)}{\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t}$$

How confident g_T is in its prediction



Schapire's observation

Boosting increases margin even after training error reaches 0

Lecture 10/13 Clustering & k-Means

Learning Paradigms

- Supervised
 - Regression
 - Classification
 - Binary Classification
 - Structured Prediction
- Unsupervised
- Semi-supervised
- Online
- Active Learning
- Imitation Learning
- Reinforcement Learning

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \{\vec{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N \quad \vec{x} \sim p^*(\cdot) \quad y \sim c^*(\cdot) \\ y^{(i)} &\in \mathbb{R} \\ y^{(i)} &\in \{1, \dots, K\} \\ y^{(i)} &\in \{-1, +1\} \\ \vec{y}^{(i)} &\text{ a vector} \\ D &= \{\vec{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N \quad \vec{x} \sim p^*(\cdot) \\ D &= \{\vec{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N \cup \{\vec{x}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^{N_2} \\ D &= \{(\vec{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), (\vec{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), \dots\} \\ D &= \{\vec{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N, \text{ can query } y^{(i)} = c^*(\cdot) \text{ at a cost} \\ D &= \{(s^{(i)}, a^{(i)}), (s^{(i)}, a^{(i)}), \dots\} \\ D &= \{(s^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, r^{(i)}), (s^{(i)}, a^{(i)}, r^{(i)}), \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

Clustering

Automatically partition unlabeled data into groups of similar datapoints

Distance measures

- $D(A, B) = D(B, A)$ symmetry
- $D(A, A) = 0$ constancy of self-similarity
- $D(A, B) = 0$ iff $A = B$ positivity separation
- $D(A, B) \leq D(A, C) + D(C, B)$ triangle inequality

Lecture 10/13 cont.

Minkowski metric

- Given $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_p)$, $\vec{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_p)$
- Minkowski metric is $d(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = (\sum_{i=1}^p |x_i - y_i|^r)^{\frac{1}{r}}$
- $r=2$, Euclidean distance
- $r=1$, Manhattan distance
- $r=+\infty$, "sup" distance $\max_{1 \leq i \leq p} |x_i - y_i|$

Hamming distance

- Manhattan distance when all features binary

Edit distance

Clustering algorithms

Hierarchical

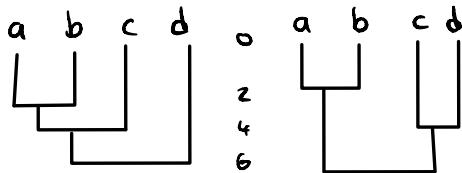
- Bottom up : agglomerative
- Top down : divisive

Partition

- k-Means clustering
- Mixture-Model based clustering

Agglomerative clustering

- Each object in a separate cluster
 - Repeat:
 - Join most similar pair of clusters
 - Update similarity of new cluster to others until there is only one cluster
- Greedy alg, less accurate but simple implementation
 - Single-Linkage = nearest neighbor, similarity on closest members \rightarrow allow anisotropic, non-convex shapes
 - Complete-Linkage = furthest neighbor, similarity on furthest members \rightarrow assume isotropic, convex shapes
 - Centroid = similarity between center of gravity
 - Average-Linkage = average similarity of all cross-cluster pairs
 - Dendrogram, convenient way to visualize clusters



Divisive clustering

- All data in single cluster
- Repeat until each object a separate cluster
 - Split each cluster into two using partition algorithm
- More accurate, more complex implementation

Lecture 10/B cont.

Partitioning Algorithms

- Input: set of objects, number K
- Goal: partition of K clusters optimizing chosen partitioning criterion
 - Global optimal: exhaustive enumeration of partitions
 - Effective heuristic: k -means

k -means

- Input: $D = \{x^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N, K$

Algorithm

Initialize K cluster centers (e.g., randomly)

Iterate

Assign points to nearest cluster centers

Reestimate K cluster centers (aka centroid or mean) by assuming above assignments correct

Until

No objects changed membership in last iteration

Optimizing k -means

- Input: $\vec{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \vec{x}^{(N)}, K, \vec{x}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- Output: $z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(N)}, z^{(i)} \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ "cluster assignments per point"
- Output: $H_1, \dots, H_K, H_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$
$$\hat{H}_1, \dots, \hat{H}_K = \operatorname{argmin}_{H_1, \dots, H_K} \sum_{i=1}^N \min_{j=1 \dots K} \|x^{(i)} - H_j\|_2^2$$
$$= \operatorname{argmin}_{H_1, \dots, H_K, z^{(1)}, \dots, z^{(N)}} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x^{(i)} - H_{z^{(i)}}\|_2^2$$

Computational complexity

· If $N \geq 2, K \geq 2$, not convex, NP hard

Alternating minimization

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{a} \quad z &= \operatorname{argmin}_z \sum_{i=1}^N \|x^{(i)} - H_z\|_2^2 \\ \textcircled{b} \quad H_1, \dots, H_K &= \operatorname{argmin}_{H_1, \dots, H_K} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x^{(i)} - H_z\|_2^2 \\ \textcircled{a} \quad z^{(1)} &= \operatorname{argmin}_{z^{(1)} \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \|x^{(1)} - H_z\|_2^2 & \textcircled{b} \quad H_1 &= \operatorname{argmin}_{H_1} \sum_{i: z^{(1)}=1} \|x^{(i)} - H_z\|_2^2 \\ &\vdots & &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

Coordinate descent

- Two approaches to $\min_{\theta_1, \theta_2} J(\theta_1, \theta_2)$
- Step based on derivative for one parameter
 - $\theta_1 \leftarrow \theta_1 - \eta \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_1}$
 - $\theta_2 \leftarrow \theta_2 - \eta \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_2}$

Find minimum for one parameter

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_1 &\leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta_1} J(\theta_1, \theta_2) \\ \theta_2 &\leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta_2} J(\theta_1, \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

Block coordinate descent

- $\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\beta}$ instead of θ_1, θ_2
- Like above

Computational complexity

- Each iteration

- Computing cluster centers: each object added once to cluster center $O(N)$

- Computing $\forall \text{obj} \forall \text{cluster center } \text{dist}(\text{obj}, \text{cluster center})$, $O(KN)$

- ℓ iterations $\Rightarrow O(\ell KN)$

Seed choice matters

- k-means always converges but may converge to local optimum, arbitrarily worse

K-medoid (median)

- Use median training point as cluster center

- More robust to outliers pulling mean away

- Better interpretability

- More work to compute

Choosing K

- Look for knee in objective function

More k-means issues

- Clusters may overlap

- Clusters may be "wider" than others

- Clusters may not be linearly separable

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Lecture 10/18 Gaussian Mixture Models & Expectation-Maximization

Categorical Distribution

- When discrete rv represents multiple possible classes and the probability of each class occurring
- $Y = \{1, \dots, K\}$, but $E[Y]$ does not make sense
- $Y = [Y_1, \dots, Y_K]^T$ where each Y_k binary, Y one-hot
 - $Y \sim \text{Categorical}(\pi_1, \dots, \pi_K)$ where $0 \leq \pi_i \leq 1, \sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i = 1$
 - $E[Y] = [E[Y_1], \dots, E[Y_K]]^T = [\pi_1, \dots, \pi_K] = \vec{\pi}$

Categorical Gaussian Generative Model

Estimating parameters

$$\begin{aligned} Y &\sim \text{Categorical}(\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3) \\ X_{y=k} &\sim N(\mu_k, \sigma_k^2) \\ D &= \{x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N \\ \hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} &= \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N \log P(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)} | \theta) \\ &= \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N \log P(y^{(i)} | \theta) P(x^{(i)} | y^{(i)}, \theta) \\ &= \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N \log \pi_{k=1}^K \frac{y^{(i)}}{\pi_k} f_N(x^{(i)} | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)^{y^{(i)}} \\ &= \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K y^{(i)} \log \pi_k f_N(x^{(i)} | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2) \end{aligned}$$

Inference

$$\begin{aligned} P(y_k=1 | x, \theta) &= \frac{P(x, y_k=1 | \theta)}{P(x | \theta)} \\ &= \frac{P(x, y_k=1 | \theta)}{\sum_{j=1}^K P(x, y_j=1 | \theta)} \\ &= \frac{P(y_k=1 | \theta) P(x | y_k=1)}{\sum_{j=1}^K P(x, y_j=1 | \theta)} \\ &= \frac{\pi_k f_N(x | \mu_k, \sigma_k^2)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j f_N(x | \mu_j, \sigma_j^2)} \end{aligned}$$

k-means bad case example

- Overlapping clusters
- Some clusters can be "wider"
- Clusters may not be linearly separable

Partitioning Algorithms

- k-means is a **hard assignment**: each object belongs to only one cluster
- Mixture modeling is a **soft assignment**: probability that an object belongs to a cluster

Gaussian Mixture Model

Mixture of K Gaussian distributions (multimodal distribution)

$$\begin{aligned} p(x | z_k=1) &\sim N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k) \\ p(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^K p(x | z_k=1) \underbrace{p(z_k=1)}_{\text{mixture component}} \underbrace{p(z_k=1)}_{\text{mixture proportion}} \end{aligned}$$

- K components, component k generates data from $N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$

- Each data point generated as follows:

- Pick component k with probability $p(z_k=1)$
- Data point $x \sim N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$

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Learning general Gaussian Mixture Models

GMM

$$x_1, \dots, x_N \sim p(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K p(x|z_k=1) p(z_k=1)$$

$$\text{Mixture } \pi_k = p(z_k=1)$$

$$\text{Gaussian components } p(x|z_k=1) \sim N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

$$\text{Parameters } \theta = \{\pi_k, \mu_k, \Sigma_k\}_{k=1}^K$$

Estimating parameters

MLE?

$$\underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \prod_{i=1}^N p(x^{(i)}|\theta) = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \prod_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k |\Sigma_k|^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x^{(i)} - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1} (x^{(i)} - \mu_k)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \mu_k} \ell(\theta; D) = 0, \text{ etc} \Rightarrow \text{no closed form}$$

Gradient descent \Rightarrow possible but complicated, often slow, need to consider constraints on parameters

$$\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \theta} = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \theta_k} \quad \text{the responsibility weighted sum of individual log likelihood gradients}$$

For constraints, use constrained optimization or reparameterize (e.g., softmax, Cholesky decomposition $\Sigma^{-1} = A^T A$)

Lecture 10/20 GMM, EM, PCA

Recall Log Likelihood vs Complete Log Likelihood

$$\text{LL: } D = \{\tilde{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$$

$$\ell(\theta|D) = \log \prod_{i=1}^N p(\tilde{x}^{(i)}|\theta)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \log \sum_{k=1}^K p(\tilde{x}^{(i)}, z^{(i)}|\theta)$$

stuck

$$\text{CLL: } D = \{\tilde{x}^{(i)}, \tilde{z}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$$

$$\ell_c(\theta|D_c) = \log \prod_{i=1}^N p(\tilde{x}^{(i)}, \tilde{z}^{(i)}|\theta)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \log \prod_{k=1}^K \pi_k^{z_k^{(i)}} f_N(x^{(i)}|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)^{z_k^{(i)}}$$

indicator trick

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K z_k^{(i)} \log (\pi_k f_N(x^{(i)}|\mu_k, \Sigma_k))$$

Expected value of Complete Log Likelihood

$$\text{Replace } z \text{ with } \mathbb{E}_{z|x,\theta}[\ell_c(\theta|D_c)]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{z|x,\theta} \left[\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K z_k^{(i)} \log (\pi_k f_N(x^{(i)}|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{z|x,\theta} [z_k^{(i)}] \log (\pi_k f_N(x^{(i)}|\mu_k, \Sigma_k)), \text{ note } \mathbb{E}_{z|x,\theta} [z_k^{(i)}] = \sum_{z_k \in \{0,1\}} z_k P(z_k|x^{(i)}, \theta) = p(z_k=1|x^{(i)}, \theta)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K p(z_k=1|x^{(i)}, \theta) \log (\pi_k f_N(x^{(i)}|\mu_k, \Sigma_k))$$

Expectation-Maximization (EM) for GMNs

Initialize

$$t=0, \pi_k^{(0)}, \mu_k^{(0)}, \Sigma_k^{(0)}$$

E-step

for fixed GMM parameters $\theta^{(t)}$, update probability point $\tilde{x}^{(i)}$ belongs to cluster k , $p(z_k^{(i)}=1|\tilde{x}^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)})$

M-step

For fixed $p(z_k^{(i)}=1|\tilde{x}^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)})$, update estimates for $\pi_k^{(t+1)}, \mu_k^{(t+1)}, \Sigma_k^{(t+1)}$

Iterate between E and M steps

EM notes

EM = optimization strategy for objective functions that can be interpreted as likelihoods in the presence of missing data

Simpler than gradient methods - no step size, enforces constraints, call inference and fully observed learning as subroutines

Lecture 10/20 cont.

More EM notes

EM iterative

- E-step: fill in hidden values using inference $p(z|x, \theta)$
- M-step: update parameters θ^{t+1} using standard MLE/MAP method applied to completed data
- Monotonically improves or stays unchanged
 - Will always converge to local optimum of the likelihood

EM for GMM

E

$$\mathbb{E}_{z|x, \theta^{(t)}} [z_k^{(i)}] = p(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)})$$

M

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \pi_k^{(t+1)} \\ \mu_k^{(t+1)} \\ \Sigma_k^{(t+1)} \end{array} \right\} \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{E}_{z|x, \theta^{(t)}} [\ell_c(\theta | D_c)]$$

Specifically

$$E: P(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)}) \leftarrow \frac{\pi_k^{(t)} N(x^{(i)}; \mu_k^{(t)}, \Sigma_k^{(t)})}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j^{(t)} N(x^{(i)}; \mu_j^{(t)}, \Sigma_j^{(t)})} \quad \forall i, k$$

$$M: \pi_k^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N P(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)})}{N} \quad \forall k$$

$$\mu_k^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N P(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)}) x^{(i)}}{\sum_{i=1}^N P(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)})} \quad \forall k$$

$$\Sigma_k^{(t+1)} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N P(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)}) (x^{(i)} - \mu_k^{(t+1)}) (x^{(i)} - \mu_k^{(t+1)})^\top}{\sum_{i=1}^N P(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)})} \quad \forall k$$

General EM theory

Recall MLE, learn θ maximizing $\ell_c(\theta; D)$

But z not observed, computing $\ell(\theta; D) = \log \sum_z p(x, z | \theta) = \log \sum_z p(z | \theta_z) p(x | z, \theta_x)$ hard

If z observable, then $\ell_c(\theta; x, z) = \log p(x, z | \theta)$, solvable with standard MLE

But z isn't. So $\ell(\theta; x) = \log \sum_z p(x, z | \theta)$.

Expected complete log likelihood

For any distribution $q(z)$, define expected complete log likelihood

$$\langle \ell_c(\theta; x, z) \rangle_q = \sum_z q(z | x, \theta) \log p(x, z | \theta)$$

Deterministic function of θ

Linear in $\ell_c(\cdot)$

By Jensen's inequality

$$\ell(\theta; x) = \log p(x | \theta)$$

$$= \log \sum_z p(x, z | \theta)$$

$$= \log \sum_z q(z | x) \frac{p(x, z | \theta)}{q(z | x)}$$

$$\geq \sum_z q(z | x) \log \frac{p(x, z | \theta)}{q(z | x)}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \ell(\theta; x) \geq \langle \ell_c(\theta; x, z) \rangle_q + H_q$$

Free energy

For fixed data x , define functional $F(q, \theta) = \sum_z q(z | x) \log \frac{p(x, z | \theta)}{q(z | x)} \leq \ell(\theta; x)$

EM is coordinate ascent on F , E: $q^{t+1} = \underset{q}{\operatorname{argmax}} F(q, \theta^t)$, M: $\theta^{t+1} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} F(q^{t+1}, \theta)$

Lecture 10/20 cont.

E maximizes expected ℓ_c wrt q

Claim: $q^{t+1} = \operatorname{argmax}_q F(q, \theta^t) = p(z|x, \theta^t)$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} F(p(z|x, \theta^t), \theta^t) &= \sum_z p(z|x, \theta^t) \log \frac{p(z|x, \theta^t)}{p(z|x, \theta^t)} \\ &= \sum_z p(z|x, \theta^t) \log p(x|\theta^t) \\ &= \log p(x|\theta^t) = \ell(\theta^t; x) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\ell(\theta^t; x) \geq F(q, \theta)$

Or prove by variational calculus

Or prove by $\ell(\theta; x) - F(q, \theta) = KL(q || p(z|x, \theta))$

E plugs in the posterior expectation of latent variables

WLOG assume $p(x|z, \theta)$ generalized exponential family distribution

$$p(x|z, \theta) = \frac{1}{z(\theta)} h(x, z) \exp\left\{\sum_i \theta_i f_i(x, z)\right\}$$

If $p(X|Z)$ GLIM then $f_i(x, z) = \eta_i^T(z) \xi_i(x)$

Then expected complete log likelihood

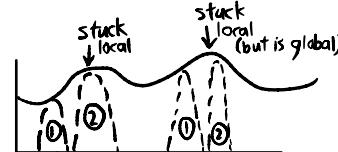
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \ell_c(\theta^t; x, z) \rangle_{q^{t+1}} &= \sum_z q(z|x, \theta^t) \log p(x, z|\theta^t) - A(\theta) \\ &= \sum_i \theta_i^t \langle f_i(x, z) \rangle_{q(z|x, \theta^t)} - A(\theta) \\ &\stackrel{\text{rewritten}}{=} \sum_i \theta_i^t \langle \eta_i^T(z) \rangle_{q(z|x, \theta^t)} \xi_i(x) - A(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

M maximizes expected ℓ_c wrt θ

Notice H_q term does not depend on θ

$\theta^{t+1} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \langle \ell_c(\theta; x, z) \rangle_{q^{t+1}} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \sum_z q(z|x) \log p(x, z|\theta)$

EM: use multiple randomized initializations in practice



Dimensionality reduction

Find $f: \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^K$, $g: \mathbb{R}^K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, $K \ll M$, $f(\vec{x}) = \vec{z}$, $\vec{x}' = g(\vec{z})$
minimizing reconstruction error, i.e., $\min_{f, g} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x^{(i)} - x'^{(i)}\|_2^2$

Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

If data on/near low-dimensional subspace, then axes of this subspace are effective representation of the data

Input data $D = \{x^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$, $X = \begin{bmatrix} x^{(1)\top} \\ x^{(2)\top} \\ \vdots \\ x^{(N)\top} \end{bmatrix}$

Assume data centered, i.e., $H = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x^{(i)} = 0$

Otherwise subtract sample mean to center

Sample covariance matrix

$$\sum_{jk} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_j^{(i)} - H_k)(x_k^{(i)} - H_j)$$

$$\text{Since centered, } \sum = \frac{1}{N} X^T X$$

PCA Alg, input X, X_{test}, K

① Center data and scale each axis based on training data $\rightarrow X, X_{\text{test}}$

② $V = \text{eigenvectors}(X^T X)$

③ Keep only top eigenvectors V_K

$$Z_{\text{test}} = X_{\text{test}} V_K$$

⑤ Optionally V_K^T rotates Z_{test} back to subspace X_{test}^T , uncenter

Lecture 10/20 cont.

• Principal components

- The i^{th} principal component is eigenvector of $X^T X$ associated with i^{th} largest eigenvalue λ_i
- Recall $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots$
- M dimensions $\Rightarrow X^T X_{M \times M} \Rightarrow$ up to M eigenvectors $\Rightarrow M$ principal components

• Rotation

• For any orthogonal $V \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times M}$

• Rotate $\vec{z}^{(i)} = V \vec{x}^{(i)}$

• Unrotate $\vec{x}'^{(i)} = V^T \vec{z}^{(i)}$

• Projection

• Reconstruction error

$$\|\vec{x}^{(i)} - \vec{x}'^{(i)}\|_2^2$$

$$\vec{v}^* = \underset{\vec{v}, \text{ s.t. } \|\vec{v}\|_2=1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^N \|\vec{x}^{(i)} - (\vec{v}^T \vec{x}^{(i)}) \vec{v}\|_2^2$$

• Variance of projection

$$\vec{v}^* = \underset{\vec{v}, \text{ s.t. } \|\vec{v}\|_2=1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{v}^T \vec{x}'^{(i)}$$

Lecture 10/25 PCA, Kernel PCA, Autoencoders, Independent Component Analysis

• Midterm up to not including kernel PCA

• Maximizing Variance = Minimizing Reconstruction Error

$$\|\vec{x}^{(i)} - (\vec{v}^T \vec{x}^{(i)}) \vec{v}\|_2^2 = \|\vec{x}^{(i)}\|_2^2 - (\vec{v}^T \vec{x}^{(i)})^2 \text{ since } \vec{v}^T \vec{v} = \|\vec{v}\|_2^2 = 1$$

$$\vec{v}^* = \underset{\vec{v}: \|\vec{v}\|^2=1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|\vec{x}^{(i)} - (\vec{v}^T \vec{x}^{(i)}) \vec{v}\|_2^2$$

$$= \underset{\vec{v}: \|\vec{v}\|^2=1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|\vec{x}^{(i)}\|_2^2 - (\vec{v}^T \vec{x}^{(i)})^2$$

$$= \underset{\vec{v}: \|\vec{v}\|^2=1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\vec{v}^T \vec{x}^{(i)})^2$$

• Lagrange multipliers for PCA

• Σ symmetric

$$\vec{v} = \underset{\vec{v}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \vec{v}^T \Sigma \vec{v}$$

such that $\|\vec{v}\|_2^2 = 1$

$$L(\vec{v}, \lambda) = \vec{v}^T \Sigma \vec{v} - \lambda (\vec{v}^T \vec{v} - 1)$$

$$\nabla_{\vec{v}} L(\vec{v}, \lambda) = \vec{v}^T (\Sigma + \lambda I) - 2\lambda \vec{v}^T$$
$$= 2\vec{v}^T \Sigma - 2\vec{v}^T \lambda$$

$$\nabla_{\lambda} L(\vec{v}, \lambda) = 0 \text{ when } \lambda = \Sigma$$

• So Σ eigenvalues, \vec{v} eigenvectors

• SVD for PCA

$$X = U S V^T, A \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$$

• $U_{N \times N}$ orthogonal, cols = left singular vectors of A , cols = eigenvectors $X X^T$

• $V_{M \times M}$ orthogonal, cols = right singular vectors of A , cols = eigenvectors $X^T X$

• $S_{N \times M}$ diagonal, diagonals = singular entries of X , σ_k . Each σ_k^2 are eigenvalues for $X X^T$ and $X^T X$

Lecture 10/25 cont.

Kernel maps

· Feature maps + kernel trick \rightarrow linearize data for PCA

· Input: X, X_{test}

· Algorithm

① Compute kernel matrix $K_{ij} = k(X_i, X_j) = \Phi(X_i)^T \Phi(X_j)$

② "Center K"

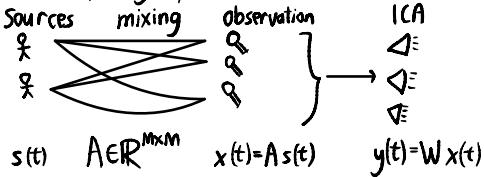
③ $V = \text{eigenvectors}(K), \lambda = \text{eigenvalues}(K)$

④ $\alpha_j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_j}} v_j$

⑤ $z_{\text{test},j} = \sum_i \alpha_{ij} k(X_i, X_{\text{test}})$

Independent Component Analysis (ICA)

· Cocktail party problem



ICA vs PCA

PCA

$$X = US, U^T U = I$$

Compression ✓, $M < N$

Remove correlation ✓

Remove higher order dependence ✗

Components: bigger eigenvalue, more importance

ICA

$$X = AS, \exists A^{-1}$$

Compression ✗, $M = N$

Remove correlation ✓

Remove higher order dependence ✓

Components equally important

ICA

· Given x

· Find $y = \hat{s}, W = \hat{A}^{-1}$

· Solution $y = Wx$

· Remove mean so $E[X] = 0$

· Whitening $E[xx^T] = I$

· Find orthogonal W optimizing objective

· See slides for Kurtosis maximization, FastICA, whitening visualization

Lecture 11/01 Computational Learning Theory

Exam

· ~70 mean

· Usually 50% A

Lecture 11/01 cont.

- Zero train error \Rightarrow realizable case for true error
- Low train error \Rightarrow agnostic case for true error
- Theoretical justification for regularization

- Risk = expected loss over data points
- 0-1 loss = cost of one when misclassifying a point

True error (expected risk)

$$R(h) = P_{x \sim p^*(x)} (c^*(x) \neq h(x)) \quad c^* \text{ is oracle}$$

Train error (empirical risk)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{R}(h) &= P_{x \sim S} (c^*(x) \neq h(x)) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}(c^*(x^{(i)}) \neq h(x^{(i)})) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}(y^{(i)} \neq h(x^{(i)})) \end{aligned} \quad x \sim S \text{ means } x \text{ sampled from empirical distribution}$$

PAC/SLT model

Probably Approximately Correct / Statistical Learning Theory

- ① Generate $\tilde{x}^{(i)} \sim p^*(\tilde{x}) \quad \forall i$ p^* is an unknown distribution
- ② Oracle $y^{(i)} = c^*(\tilde{x}^{(i)}) \quad \forall i$
- ③ Learning alg picks $\hat{h} = \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in H} \hat{R}(h)$

Goal: choose h with low generalization error $R(h)$

Hypothesis functions

- True function c^*
- Expected risk minimizer $h^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in H} R(h)$
- Empirical risk minimizer $\hat{h} = \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in H} \hat{R}(h)$

Bounding $R(h)$ in terms of $\hat{R}(h)$

PAC learner yields $h \in H$, $R(h) \approx 0$ (approx correct), with high probability $P(R(h) \approx 0) \approx 1$

PAC criterion

$$P(|R(h) - \hat{R}(h)| \leq \epsilon) \geq 1 - \delta$$

PAC learner consistent if

$$\forall \epsilon, \forall \delta$$

$\exists N$ such that for any p^*

$$P(|R(h) - \hat{R}(h)| > \epsilon) < \delta$$

N above is the sample complexity

N finite $\Rightarrow H$ learnable

N is poly in $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ and $\frac{1}{\delta} \Rightarrow H$ PAC learnable

Sample complexity

Realizable

$$\text{Finite } |H| \quad N \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\log |H| + \log \frac{1}{\delta})$$

$$\text{Infinite } |H| \quad N = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} [VC(H) \log \frac{1}{\delta} + \log \frac{1}{\delta}]\right)$$

Agnostic

$$N \geq \frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} (\log |H| + \log \frac{2}{\delta})$$

$$N = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} (VC(H) + \log \frac{2}{\delta})\right)$$

So that with probability $1 - \delta$ for all $h \in H$ (with $\hat{R}(h) = 0$ we have $R(h) \leq \epsilon$)
 \leftarrow finite $|H|$
 \leftarrow infinite $|H|$
 (we have $|R(h) - \hat{R}(h)| \leq \epsilon$)

Lecture 11/01 cont.

- Proof for finite $|H|$, realizable
 - $h \in H$ consistent if $R(h) = 0$
 - Assume k bad hypotheses h_1, \dots, h_k with $R(h_i) \geq \varepsilon$
 - Pick bad h_i , $P(h_i \text{ consistent with first training point}) \leq 1 - \varepsilon$
 - $P(h_i \text{ consistent with first } N \text{ training points}) \leq (1 - \varepsilon)^N$
 - $\hat{R}(h_i) = 0$
 - $P(\text{at least one } h_i \text{ consistent with first } N \text{ training points}) \leq k(1 - \varepsilon)^N$ by union bound
 - $\leq |H|(1 - \varepsilon)^N$, recall $1 - x \leq e^{-x}$
 - $\leq |H| e^{-\varepsilon N}$
 - Fix δ , calculate N such that $|H| e^{-\varepsilon N} \leq \delta$

Lecture 11/03 More Learning Theory

- $$\begin{aligned} P(\exists h \in H : \hat{R}(h) = 0 \wedge R(h) > \varepsilon) &\leq |H| (1 - \varepsilon)^N \\ &\leq |H| (1 - \varepsilon)^N \\ &\leq |H| e^{-\varepsilon N} \leq \delta \end{aligned}$$

Find N:

$$\begin{aligned} |H| \frac{1}{\delta} &\leq e^{\varepsilon N} \\ \log |H| + \log \frac{1}{\delta} &\leq \varepsilon N \\ N &\geq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (\log |H| + \log \frac{1}{\delta}) \end{aligned}$$

Then with probability $\leq \delta$,

$$\exists h \in H, R(h) > \varepsilon \wedge \hat{R}(h) = 0$$

i.e. with probability $> 1 - \delta$,

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall h \in H, \hat{R}(h) = 0 \Rightarrow R(h) \leq 0$$

PAC bounds for finite model classes

- Haussler bound
 $\forall h, \hat{R}(h) = 0 \Rightarrow R(h) \leq \frac{1}{N} (\ln |H| + \ln \frac{1}{\delta})$
 - Hoeffding bound
 $\forall h, |R(h) - \hat{R}(h)| \leq \epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} (\ln |H| + \ln \frac{2}{\delta})}$

Bias-variance tradeoff

$$P(|R(h) - \hat{R}(h)| \geq \varepsilon) \leq 2|H| e^{-2m\varepsilon^2} \leq \delta$$

Equivalently, with probability $\geq 1 - \delta$,

$$R(h) \leq \hat{R}(h) + \left(\frac{\ln |H| + \ln \frac{2}{\delta}}{2m} \right)^{1/2}$$

decision trees depth k

- $H_k = \# \text{ binary decision trees depth } k, H_0 = 2, H_k = n H_{k-1} H_{k-1}$
 - $L_k = \log_2 H_k, L_0 = 1, L_k = \log_2 n + 2L_{k-1} \xrightarrow{\text{solve}} L_k = (2^k - 1)(1 + \log_2 n) + 1$

Lecture 11/03 cont.

Plug into PAC bound

$$m \geq \frac{\ln 2}{2\epsilon^2} \left((2^k - 1)(1 + \log_2 n) + 1 + \log_2 \frac{2}{\delta} \right)$$

Bad, exponential in k

But m data points \Rightarrow at most m leaves

decision trees with k leaves

$H_k = \#$ binary decision trees with k leaves

$$H_i = 2, H_k = n \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} H_i H_{k-i} = n^{k-1} C_{k-1}$$

$$(\text{Stirling}) H_k \leq n^{k-1} 2^{2k-1}$$

Comparison

Depth k : $\log_2 H_k \leq (k-1)\log_2 n + 2k - 1$

linear in k

k leaves: $\log_2 H_k = (2^k - 1)(1 + \log_2 n) + 1$

exponential in k

Shattering

$H[S] =$ set of splittings of dataset S using concepts from H

H shatters S if $|H[S]| = 2^{|S|}$

VC-dimension of hypothesis space H is the cardinality of the largest set S that can be shattered by H

$$\text{VC}(H) = \max \{|S| : H \text{ shatters } S\}$$

If arbitrarily large finite sets can be shattered by H then $\text{VC}(H) = \infty$

To show $\text{VC}(H) = d$,

Show $\exists S, |S|=d, H$ shatters S

Show $\nexists S, |S|=d+1, H$ shatters S

Fact. H finite $\Rightarrow \text{VC}(H) \leq \log |H|$

SLT Corollaries

Realizable

Agnostic

Finite $|H|$

For $\delta > 0, \Pr \geq 1 - \delta, \forall h: \hat{R}(h) = 0,$

$$R(h) \leq \frac{1}{N} \left[\ln |H| + \ln \frac{1}{\delta} \right]$$

For $\delta > 0, \Pr \geq 1 - \delta, \forall h,$

$$R(h) \leq \hat{R}(h) + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} \left[\ln |H| + \ln \frac{2}{\delta} \right]}$$

Infinite $|H|$

For $\delta > 0, \Pr \geq 1 - \delta, \forall h: \hat{R}(h) = 0,$

$$R(h) \leq O \left(\frac{1}{N} \left[\text{VC}(H) \ln \left(\frac{N}{\delta \text{VC}(H)} \right) + \ln \left(\frac{1}{\delta} \right) \right] \right)$$

For $\delta > 0, \Pr \geq 1 - \delta, \forall h,$

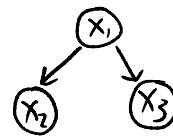
$$R(h) \leq \hat{R}(h) + O \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \left[\text{VC}(H) + \ln \frac{2}{\delta} \right]} \right)$$

Lecture 11/08 Bayesian Networks

Bayesian networks

- Directed acyclic graph, nodes = random variables, edges = dependency assumptions
- $P(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | \text{parent}(x_i))$

$$P(x_1, x_2, x_3) = P(x_1) P(x_2 | x_1) P(x_3 | x_1)$$



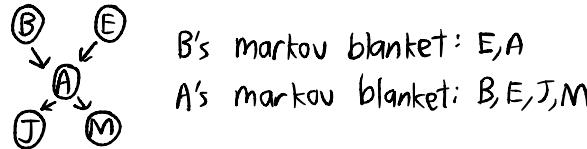
Middle ground between full independence and full dependence

Construction

- Identify the random variables
- Determine the conditional dependencies
 - Select an ordering of variables ← changes network substantially!
 - Add them one at a time
 - For each new var X , select minimal subset of nodes as parents such that X is independent from all other nodes in the current network given its parents
- Populate the conditional probability tables
 - Using density estimation

Markov blanket

- All parents, children, co-parents of children
- In a Bayesian network a variable is conditionally independent of all other variables given its Markov blanket

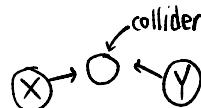


d-separation

- When are two variables independent of each other?
- x and y are d-separated given set of variables Z (possibly empty)
 - if x and y are conditionally independent given Z
- $I(x,y|Z)$ denotes the above conditional independence
- Variables that are not d-connected are d-separated

Rules

- If Z empty, x and y are d-connected if \exists path between them without collider
- x and y are d-connected given Z if \exists path between them without collider nor member of Z
- If Z contains collider or one of its descendants, and no other node from Z on the path, then if a path between x and y contains this node they are d-connected



Causality warning $A \rightarrow B = P(A) P(B|A) = P(A \cap B) = P(B) P(A|B) = B \rightarrow A$

Lecture 11/10 Bayesian Network Inference

Inference

- Enumeration
- Stochastic inference
- Variable elimination
- Tree conversion

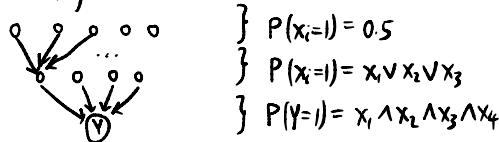
Enumeration

- Sum over all possibilities for other vars
- Exponential runtime
 - Reusing calculations (like dynamic programming) may help
 - But # possible assignments still exponential in unobserved vars

· General querying of Bayesian networks is NP-complete

· Reduction from 3SAT

· Three layer



$P(Y=1) \xrightarrow{>0}$ satisfiable
 $\xrightarrow{=0}$ not satisfiable

Stochastic inference

· Sample the joint distribution to obtain possible instances

① Sample free variables (\exists since acyclic)

② For every other variable,
if all parents sampled,
sample based on conditional distribution

· Example, $P(B|J, \neg M)$

· $N = \# \text{ samples}$

· $N_c = \# \text{ samples where } J, \neg M \text{ holds (condition)}$

· $N_B = \# \text{ samples where } B, J, \neg M \text{ holds (joint)}$

· $N_c/N \approx P(J, \neg M)$

· $N_B/N \approx P(B, J, \neg M)$

· So $P(B|J, \neg M) = \frac{P(B, J, \neg M)}{P(J, \neg M)} \approx \frac{N_B}{N_c}$

· Problem: only samples where condition holds are used, huge waste

· We can fix that?

· But problem: fixing changes distribution, consider

$$(A) \rightarrow (B) \quad P(B=1|A=1) = 0.001$$

$$P(B=0|A=1) = 0.999$$

$$P(B=1|A=0) = 0.5$$

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Weighted sampling, $P(B|J, \neg M)$ example

- Always $J \leftarrow 1, M \leftarrow 0$
- Sample as before
- Let $w = P(v(B), v(E), v(A), J, \neg M)$ be the weight of the sample
- Alg
 - $N_B, N_c \leftarrow 0, 0$
 - Sample joint w/ fixed J, M .
 - Compute weight w of sample.
 - $N_c \leftarrow N_c + w$
 - If $B=1$, $N_B \leftarrow N_B + w$
 - After many iterations, output $P(B|J, \neg M) \approx N_B/N_c$

Variable elimination

- Store and reuse $P(M|a), P(J|a)$
- Alg
 - Let $e = \text{evidence (known variables)}$
 - Let $\text{vars} = \text{conditional probabilities derived from network in bottom up reverse order}$
 - For $\text{var} \in \text{vars}$
 - $\text{factors} \leftarrow \text{make-factors}(\text{var}, e)$
 - if var hidden, create new factor by summing out var
 - Compute the product of all factors
 - Normalize
- Complexity now depends on highest in-degree



Polytree

- No two nodes have more than one directed path between them
- Conversion by clustering, \exists alg linear in number of nodes
- But conversion can result in exponential increase in CPT size

Lecture 11/15 Hidden Markov Models

Limitations of Bayesian networks

- Cannot account for temporal/sequence models
- Must be DAGs

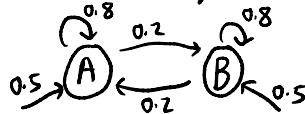
Hidden Markov models HMM

- Model set of observations with a set of hidden states
- Hidden states generate observations
- Hidden states transition to other hidden states
- Fix a set of states $\{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$
 - In each time point we are in exactly one of these states q_t
- Fix π_i the probability we start at state s_i
- Learn transition probability model $P(q_t = s_i | q_{t-1} = s_j)$
 - Markov property $P(q_{t+1} = s_i | q_t = s_j) = P(q_{t+1} = s_i | q_t = s_j, q_{t-1} = s_k)$
- Fix a set of possible outputs Σ (the observations)
 - At time t , emit symbol $\sigma \in \Sigma$
- Learn an emission probability model $p(o_t = \sigma | s_i)$

HMM inference

- Cannot look at observations \Rightarrow compute $P(Q), P(q_t = s_i)$
- Have observations, only care about last state \Rightarrow compute $P(Q|O), P(q_t = s_i | O)$
- Care about entire path \Rightarrow compute $\text{argmax}_Q P(Q|O)$

Example dice game



Let $Q = \text{any path ending in } A$

$$\begin{aligned} P(Q) &= P(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{t-1}, A) = P(A|q_1, \dots, q_{t-1}) P(q_1, \dots, q_{t-1}) \\ &= P(A|q_{t-1}) P(q_1, \dots, q_{t-1}) \\ &= P(A|q_{t-1}) \dots P(q_2|q_1) P(q_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(q_t = A) = \sum_{\substack{\uparrow 2^{t-1} \text{ terms!}}} P(Q)$$

$$\text{let } p_t(i) = P(q_t = s_i)$$

$$p_t(i) = \pi_i$$

$$p_t(i) = \sum_j P(q_t = s_i | q_{t-1} = s_j) p_{t-1}(j)$$

$$\text{Dynamic programming } O(n^2 t)$$

} Computing $P(Q)$ efficiently

Limit theorem for Markov transitions

- If we see no observations, transition matrix strictly positive, then $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (P^k)_{ij} = \theta_j$, i.e., starting point doesn't matter

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(Computing $P(Q|O)$ and $P(q_t=s_i|O)$)

- Transition probability $a_{ji} = P(q_t=s_i | q_{t-1}=s_j)$
- Emission probability $b_i(o_t) = P(o_t | s_i)$
- $P(Q|O) = \frac{P(O|Q)P(Q)}{P(O)} = \frac{P(q_1|q_0)P(q_2|q_1) \dots P(q_t|q_{t-1})P(q_1)P(q_2|q_1) \dots P(q_t|q_{t-1})}{P(O)}$

- To compute $P(O)$,
let $\alpha_t(i) = P(o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t \wedge q_t=s_i)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \alpha_{t+1}(i) &= \sum_j P(o_1 \dots o_t \wedge q_t=s_i \wedge o_{t+1} \wedge q_{t+1}=s_j) \\ &= \sum_j P(o_{t+1} | q_{t+1}=s_i) P(o_1 \dots o_t \wedge q_t=s_i) \\ &= \sum_j b_i(o_{t+1}) a_{ji} \alpha_t(j) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } P(O) = \sum_i \alpha_t(i)$$

Note $P(q_t=s_i | o_1, o_2, \dots, o_t) = \frac{\alpha_t(i)}{\sum_j \alpha_t(j)}$

Complexity

- $P(Q) = O(t)$
- $P(O|Q) = O(t)$
- $P(O) = O(n^2 t)$

(Computing $P(Q^*|O) = \operatorname{argmax}_Q P(Q|O)$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \delta_t(i) &= \max_{q_1, \dots, q_{t-1}} P(q_1, \dots, q_{t-1} \wedge q_t=s_i \wedge o_1, \dots, o_t) && \text{"path } i \rightarrow t \text{ that ends in } S_t, \text{ outputs } O_1 \dots O_t" \\ \text{Then } \delta_t(i) &= \pi_i b_i(O_t) \\ \text{and } \delta_{t+1}(i) &= \max_{q_1, \dots, q_t} P(q_1, \dots, q_t \wedge q_{t+1}=s_i \wedge O_1 \dots O_{t+1}) \\ &= \max_j \delta_t(j) P(q_{t+1}=s_i | q_t=s_i) P(O_{t+1} | q_{t+1}=s_i) \\ &= \max_j \delta_t(j) a_{ji} b_i(O_{t+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Viterbi Algorithm

$$\begin{aligned} P(Q^*|O) &= \operatorname{argmax}_Q P(Q|O) \\ &= \text{path defined by } \operatorname{argmax}_j \delta_t(j) \end{aligned}$$

Lecture 11/17 Learning HMMs

- We will learn transition and emission models
Set of states usually domain knowledge

Initial probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^* &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\pi} \prod_k \pi(q_i) \prod_{t=2}^T P(q_t | q_{t-1}) && k = \# \text{ sequences available from training} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\pi} \prod_k \pi(q_i) \end{aligned}$$

Transition probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} a^* &= \operatorname{argmax}_a \prod_k \pi(q_i) \prod_{t=2}^T P(q_t | q_{t-1}) \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_a \prod_{t=2}^T P(q_t | q_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

- Above assumes we have states, but states usually not known \Rightarrow EM

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Forward-Backward

- Forward $\alpha_t(i) = P(O_1 \wedge \dots \wedge O_t \wedge q_t = i)$
- Backward $\beta_t(j) = P(O_{t+1} \wedge \dots \wedge O_T | q_t = s_i)$
 $= \sum_j \alpha_{ij} b_j(O_{t+1}) \beta_{t+1}(j)$
- $P(q_t = s_i | O_1, \dots, O_T) = \frac{\alpha_t(i) \beta_t(i)}{\sum_j \alpha_t(j) \beta_t(j)} =: S_t(i)$
- $P(q_t = s_i, q_{t+1} = s_j | O_1, \dots, O_T) = \frac{\alpha_t(i) P(q_{t+1} = s_j | q_t = s_i) P(O_{t+1} | q_{t+1} = s_j) \beta_{t+1}(j)}{\sum_k \alpha_t(k) \beta_t(k)} =: S_t(i,j)$

E step

- Compute $S_t(i)$ and $S_t(i,j)$ for all t, i, j $1 \leq t \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq k, 2 \leq j \leq k$

M step

Compute emission probabilities

$$\text{Let } B_k(j) = \sum_{t | O_t = j} S_t(k)$$

$$\text{Then } b_k(j) = \frac{B_k(j)}{\sum_i B_k(i)}$$

Compute transition probabilities

$$a_{ij} = \frac{\hat{n}(i,j)}{\sum_k \hat{n}(i,k)}$$

$$\text{where } \hat{n}(i,j) = \sum_t S_t(i,j)$$

Complete EM (Baum Welch)

Input

- Observations O_1, \dots, O_T
- Number of states, model

Alg

① Guess initial transition and emission parameters

② Until convergence

 Compute E

 Compute M

③ Output complete model

Advanced HMMs

- Factorial HMMs
- Input-output HMMs
- Dynamic Bayesian Networks

Factorial HMMs

- Decouple independent states
- M same as HMM
- E hard, can be exponential in number of states, usually use sampling (Monte Carlo)

Input-output model

Static input: input layer only affects transition probabilities

$$p(Q, O | M) = \prod_i p(q_i) \prod_i p(o_i | q_i) \prod_t p(q_t | q_{t-1}, R) p(o_t | q_t) \quad \text{where } R \text{ is input}$$

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Input-output HMM learning

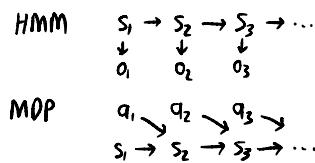
- Learn new transition table for each R (note emissions same)
- Output can also depend on R

Dynamic Bayesian Networks

- BN doesn't allow for feedback
- $P(X) = \prod_i p(x_i | Pa(x_i))$
- Repeat the network over time slices

Lecture 11/22 Markov Decision Processes

HMM and MDP



Minimax

$$V(s) = \max_a V(s') \text{ where } s' = \text{result}(s, a)$$
$$a = \operatorname{argmax}_a V(s') \text{ where } s' = \text{result}(s, a)$$

Chance node notation

$$V(s) = \sum_{s'} P(s') V(s')$$

Expectimax

minimax, replace min with chance

$$V(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} [P(s'|s, a) V(s')]$$

Markov Decision Process

- Set of states $s \in S$
- Set of actions $a \in A$
- Transition function $T(s, a, s')$, also called model or dynamics
 - $P(s'|s, a)$
- Reward function $R(s, a, s')$, sometimes $R(s)$ or $R(s')$
- Start state
- Maybe terminal state
- Nondeterministic search problem
 - Solve with e.g., expectimax

Markov assumption

$$P(S_{t+1} = s' | S_t = s_t, A_t = a_t, S_{t-1} = s_{t-1}, A_{t-1} = a_{t-1}, \dots, S_0 = s_0)$$
$$= P(S_{t+1} = s' | S_t = s_t, A_t = a_t)$$

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Policies

- $\pi: S \rightarrow A$
- π^* optimal if maximizes expected utility
- Explicit policy defines reflex action
- Expectimax does NOT compute entire policies
 - Only finds actions for a single state

Recursive Expectimax

$$V(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s,a) [R(s,a,s') + V(s')]$$

Discounting

- Values of rewards decay exponentially, multiply γ per level
- Sooner rewards
 - Probably higher utility than later rewards
 - Helps convergence

What if the game lasts forever?

- Finite horizon, up to T steps
 - Gives nonstationary policies
- Discounting $0 < \gamma < 1$
 - $V([r_0, \dots, r_\infty]) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \gamma^t r_t \leq \frac{R_{\max}}{1-\gamma}$
 - Smaller γ means smaller horizon, short term focus

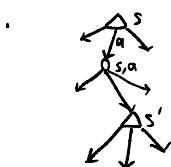
Value iteration

- $V_0(s) = 0$
- Repeat until convergence, expectimax from each state
$$V_{k+1}(s) \leftarrow \max_a \sum_{s'} T(s,a,s') [R(s,a,s') + \gamma V_k(s')]$$
$$O(S^2 A)$$
 complexity each iteration

Convergence of V_k

- Case 1: tree has max depth M , then V_M has actual untruncated values
- Case 2: discount < 1 , then
 - view V_k, V_{k+1} as almost identical depth $k+1$ expectimax result trees
 - except V_k 's bottom is all 0's, V_{k+1} 's bottom has actual rewards
 - Last layer at best R_{\max} at worst R_{\min}
 - But discounting \Rightarrow at most $\gamma^k \max |R|$ apart \Rightarrow converge as k increases

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s : state

(s,a) : q-state

(s,a,s') : transition

$V^*(s)$ = expected utility starting in s and acting optimally

$Q^*(s,a)$ = expected utility starting in s , taking action a , then acting optimally

$\pi^*(s)$ = optimal action from state s

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Recursive value definitions

- $V^*(s) = \max_a Q^*(s, a)$
- $Q^*(s, a) = \sum_{s'} T(s, a, s') [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V^*(s')]$
- $V^*(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} T(s, a, s') [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V^*(s')]$

Computing actions

- Given Q-values, just pick largest
- Given values, perform policy extraction with mini expectimax
 $\pi^*(s) = \operatorname{argmax}_a \sum_{s'} T(s, a, s') [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V^*(s')]$

Solving MDPs, two approaches

Value iteration + policy extraction

$$\begin{aligned} \text{VI} \\ \text{① } V_{k+1}(s) &\leftarrow \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V_k(s')] \quad \forall s \text{ until convergence} \\ \text{PE} \\ \text{② } \pi_V(s) &\leftarrow \operatorname{argmax}_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V(s')] \end{aligned}$$

Policy iteration = policy evaluation + policy improvement

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PI} \\ \text{① } V_{k+1}^{\pi}(s) &= \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, \pi(s)) [R(s, \pi(s), s') + \gamma V_k^{\pi}(s')] \quad \forall s \text{ until convergence} \\ \text{② } \pi_{\text{new}}(s) &= \operatorname{argmax}_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V^{\pi_{\text{old}}}(s')] \quad \forall s \end{aligned}$$

Repeat ①, ② until policy converges

Summary

- Standard expectimax $V(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) V(s')$
- Bellman equations $V^*(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V^*(s')]$
- Value iteration $V_{k+1}(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V_k(s')]$
- Q-iteration $Q_{k+1}(s, a) = \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma \max_a Q_k(s', a)]$
- Policy extraction $\pi_V(s) = \operatorname{argmax}_a \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V(s')]$
- Policy evaluation $V_{k+1}^{\pi}(s) = \sum_{s'} P(s'|s, \pi(s)) [R(s, \pi(s), s') + \gamma V_k^{\pi}(s')]$

Reinforcement learning

- Note that solving MDPs is all offline
- What if transition and reward functions not known, must be learned?
- Concepts

- Exploration : try unknown actions to get information
- Exploitation : eventually use what you know
- Regret : mistakes will be made
- Sampling : must try repeatedly because of chance
- Difficulty : learning can be much harder than solving known MDP

Framework



All learning based on observed samples of outcomes

Model-Based Learning

- Learn approx model based on experiences
- Solve for values as if learned model correct

① Learn empirical MDP model

- Count outcomes for each (s, a)
- normalize to estimate $\tilde{T}(s, a, s')$
- discover each $\tilde{R}(s, a, s')$ when experiencing (s, a, s')

② Solve the learned MDP

Sample based policy evaluation

$$V_{k+1}^{\pi}(s) \leftarrow \sum_{s'} T(s, \pi(s), s') [R(s, \pi(s), s') + \gamma V_k^{\pi}(s')]$$

Instead, sample and average

$$\text{sample}_i = R(s, \pi(s), s_i) + \gamma V_k^{\pi}(s_i)$$

$$V_{k+1}^{\pi}(s) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \text{sample}_i$$

Temporal difference learning

- Learn from every (s, a, s', r) experience
- Likely s' outcomes contribute updates more often
- Note policy is fixed, just doing evaluation. We shift values.
- Components

Sample $V(s)$ $\text{sample} = r + \gamma V^{\pi}(s')$

Update $V(s)$ $V^{\pi}(s) \leftarrow (1-\alpha)V^{\pi}(s) + \alpha \text{sample}$

Same update $V^{\pi}(s) \leftarrow V^{\pi}(s) + \alpha (\text{sample} - V^{\pi}(s))$

$$\text{or } V^{\pi}(s) \leftarrow V^{\pi}(s) - \alpha \nabla \text{error} \quad \text{where } \nabla \text{error} = \frac{1}{2} (\text{sample} - V^{\pi}(s))^2$$

Q-value learning

TD value learning above: model free policy evaluation, but how to get a policy?

Learn Q-values instead of values \Rightarrow then action selection is model free too

Q-value iteration

$$Q_f(s, a) = 0$$

$$Q_{k+1}(s, a) = \sum_{s'} T(s, a, s') [R(s, a, s') + \gamma \max_{a'} Q_k(s', a')]$$

↑
not known

Compute average as we go

$$Q(s, a) \approx r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a')$$

But need to average over results from (s, a)

$$\text{So } Q(s, a) \leftarrow (1-\alpha) Q(s, a) + \alpha [r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a')]$$

Q-learning properties

Off-policy learning

Q-learning converges to optimal policy even if acting suboptimally

Caveats

Must explore enough

Must eventually make learning rate small enough but not decrease it too quickly

But in the limit, doesn't matter how actions are selected

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Exploration vs Exploitation

ϵ -greedy exploration

- Each time step, act randomly with probability ϵ , act according to current policy with probability $1-\epsilon$
- But random actions problematic
 - Eventually explores everything but keeps thrashing around when learning done
 - Fix: lower ϵ over time
 - Another fix: exploration functions

Feature-based learning

- State space huge \Rightarrow use features instead

$$V_w(s) = \sum_{i=1}^M w_i f_i(s)$$

$$Q_w(s, a) = \sum_{i=1}^M w_i f_i(s, a)$$

- But states which share features may be very different in value

- To update the linear value function,

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \alpha [R(s, a, s') + \gamma \max_{a'} Q_w(s', a') - Q_w(s, a)] \frac{\partial Q_w(s, a)}{\partial w_i}$$

Qualitatively

- Pleasant surprise : \uparrow weight tve features, \downarrow weight -ve ones

- Unpleasant surprise : \downarrow weight tve features, \uparrow weight -ve ones

Approximate Q-learning

$$Q_w(s, a) = \sum_{i=1}^M w_i f_i(s, a)$$

$$\text{transition} = (s, a, s', r)$$

$$\text{diff} = [r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a')] - Q(s, a)$$

$$Q(s, a) \leftarrow Q(s, a) + \alpha \text{diff} \quad \text{exact Q}$$

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \alpha \text{diff } f_i(s, a) \quad \text{approx Q}$$

Formal justification: online least squares

Minimizing error

$$\text{error}(w) = \frac{1}{2} (y - \sum_k w_k f_k(x))^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{error}(w)}{\partial w_m} = -(y - \sum_k w_k f_k(x)) f_m(x)$$

$$w_m \leftarrow w_m + \alpha (y - \sum_k w_k f_k(x)) f_m(x)$$

Probability

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) && \text{axiom} \\ P(A|B,C) &= P(A|C) \Leftrightarrow \begin{array}{l} A \text{ and } B \text{ conditionally} \\ \text{independent given } C \end{array} \\ P(A,B) &= P(A|B)P(B) && \text{chain rule} \\ P(A|B) &= \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)} && \text{Bayes rule} \\ P(\theta|D) &\propto P(D|\theta)P(\theta) && \text{posterior} \propto \text{likelihood} \cdot \text{prior} \\ \hat{\theta}_{MLE} &= \arg \max_{\theta} P(D|\theta) && MLE \\ \hat{\theta}_{MAP} &= \arg \max_{\theta} P(D|\theta)P(\theta) && MAP \end{aligned}$$

Classifiers

- Instance-based : eg kNN
use observations directly
- Generative : eg Bayesian network
generative statistical model, $P(X|Y)$
- Discriminative : eg decision tree
directly estimate decision boundary, $P(X|Y)$

kNN: majority vote on k "closest" points

Naive Bayes: $P(X|Y) = \prod_{i=1}^N P_j(x_j^{(i)}|y)$
Note $P(y|X)$ needs $P(Y)$

Pseudocounts: add $\vec{x}=\vec{1}, \vec{x}=\vec{0}$ samples

$$\begin{aligned} H(X) &= \sum_c P(X=c) \log_2 P(X=c) && \text{entropy} \\ H(Y|X) &= \sum_i P(X=i) H(Y|X=i) && \begin{array}{l} \text{conditional} \\ \text{entropy} \end{array} \\ IG(Y|X) &= H(Y) - H(Y|X) && \begin{array}{l} \text{information} \\ \text{gain} \geq 0 \text{ by Jensen} \end{array} \\ f(tx_1 + (1-t)x_2) &\leq t f(x_1) + (1-t) f(x_2) && \begin{array}{l} \text{f convex, } 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ \text{Jensen inequality} \end{array} \end{aligned}$$

Decision tree | D3: split on attribute
reduce variance by randomly drawing

Bagging: datasets with replacement

Random Forest: bagging + use subset of features at each tree node

Linear Regression: $y = \sum_{j=0}^n w_j \phi_j(x)$

$$\hat{w}_{MLE} = (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y$$

will / not —

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sigmoid: } g(h) &= \frac{1}{1+e^{-h}} \\ P(y=0|X;\theta) &= g(w^T x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{w^T x}} \\ P(y=1|X;\theta) &= 1 - g(w^T x) \end{aligned}$$

Logistic regression: no closed form, but concave so gradient ascent

$$LL(y|X;w) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \ln(1-g(x_i;w)) + (1-y_i) \ln(g(x_i;w))$$

$$\text{Regularization: } L_2: \min_w \sum_i w_i^2$$

SVM non-linearly separable

$$\min_w \frac{w^T w}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^n C \epsilon_i$$

subject to

$$\forall x_i \text{ in class } +1, w^T x + b \geq 1 - \epsilon_i$$

$$\forall x_i \text{ in class } -1, w^T x + b \leq -1 + \epsilon_i$$

$$\epsilon_i, \epsilon_i \geq 0$$

$C \rightarrow \infty$, hard margin, forced linear sep

As $C \rightarrow 0$, soft margin

Lagrange multiplier

$$\min_x \frac{x^2}{2} \quad \text{st } x \geq b \rightarrow \min_x \max_{\alpha} x^2 - \alpha(x-b)$$

True error = bias + variance

AdaBoost: iteratively reweight inputs, more weight to hard predictions
• Boosting increases (confidence) margin even after train error = 0

$$\text{Distances: } \begin{array}{l} \text{① } D(A,B) = D(B,A) \\ \text{② } D(A,A) = 0 \\ \text{③ } D(A,B) = 0 \text{ iff } A=B \\ \text{④ } D(A,B) \leq D(A,C) + D(C,B) \end{array}$$

$$\text{Minkowski: } d(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|^r \right)^{1/r}$$

Clustering: hierarchical (agglomerative), partition (k-means/divisive), mixture model

$$\text{Gaussian Mixture Model: } p(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K p(x|z_k=1) p(z_k=1) \text{ where } p(x|z_k=1) \sim N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

EM

$$\cdot E: \mathbb{E}_{z|x, \theta^{(t)}} [z_k^{(i)}] = P(z_k^{(i)}=1 | x^{(i)}, \theta^{(t)})$$

$$\cdot M: \arg \max_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{z|x, \theta^{(t)}} [\ell_c(\theta|D_c)]$$

GMM + hard assignment = k-Means

Calculus

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_m} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ denominator is transpose}$$

$y \downarrow x \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_m} \end{bmatrix}$

Numerator layout	Denominator layout
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \vec{v}$	I_N
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \vec{v}^T$	I_N
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} t \vec{v}$	$t I_N$
$\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \vec{u}^T \vec{v}$	\vec{v}^T
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \vec{u}^T \vec{v}$	\vec{u}^T
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \vec{v}^T \vec{v}$	$2\vec{v}$
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \vec{v}^T A \vec{v}$	$\vec{v}^T (A + A^T) \vec{v}$
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} A \vec{v}$	A
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \vec{v}^T A$	A^T
$\frac{d}{dt} f(g(t), h(t))$	$\frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial h} \frac{\partial h}{\partial t}$
$\frac{d}{dt} f(g(t), \dots, g_n(t))$	$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial g_i} \frac{\partial g_i}{\partial t}$
$\frac{d}{dt} f(g'(t))$	$\frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial t}$
$\frac{d}{dt} f(g(\vec{v}))$	$\frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \vec{v}}$
$\frac{\partial}{\partial v} f(g(\vec{v}), h(\vec{v}))$	$\frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \vec{v}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial h} \frac{\partial h}{\partial \vec{v}}$
	$\frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \vec{v}} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial h} \frac{\partial h}{\partial \vec{v}}$

Learning Theory, $R(h)$ true error $\hat{R}(h)$ train error

	Realizable	Agnostic
Finite $ H $	$N \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} [\log H + \log \frac{1}{\delta}]$ wp $1-\delta, \hat{R}(h)=0 \Rightarrow R(h) \leq \epsilon$ $\exists \delta > 0, \text{wp } 1-\delta, \hat{R}(h)=0 \Rightarrow R(h) \leq \frac{1}{N} (\ln H + \ln \frac{1}{\delta})$	$N \geq \frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} \log H + \log \frac{1}{\delta}$ wp $1-\delta, \hat{R}(h) - R(h) \leq \epsilon$ $\exists \delta > 0, \text{wp } 1-\delta, \hat{R}(h) \leq \hat{R}(h) + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} (\ln H + \ln \frac{1}{\delta})}$
Infinite $ H $	$N = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} [VC(H) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \log \frac{1}{\delta}]\right)$ wp $1-\delta, \hat{R}(h)=0 \Rightarrow R(h) \leq \epsilon$ $\exists \delta > 0, \text{wp } 1-\delta, \hat{R}(h)=0 \Rightarrow R(h) \leq O\left(\frac{1}{N} (VC(H) \ln \frac{N}{VC(H)} + \ln \frac{1}{\delta})\right)$	$N = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon^2} [VC(H) + \log \frac{1}{\delta}]\right)$ wp $1-\delta, \hat{R}(h) - R(h) \leq \epsilon$ $\exists \delta > 0, \text{wp } 1-\delta, R(h) \leq \hat{R}(h) + O\left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} (VC(H) \ln \frac{N}{VC(H)} + \ln \frac{1}{\delta})}\right)$

PCA

- Always center data by subtracting sample mean
- $H = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{x}^{(i)} = \bar{o}, \Sigma = \frac{1}{N} X^T X$
- ① Center each axis $\rightarrow X, X_{\text{test}}$
- ② $V = \text{eigenvectors } (X^T X)$
- ③ Keep top k V_k
- ④ $Z_{\text{test}} = X_{\text{test}} V_k$

$$\text{Projection } (x, \vec{v}) = \frac{x^T \vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|_2} \vec{v}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Reconstruction Error} \quad v^* &= \underset{v: \|v\|_2=1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x^{(i)} - (v^T x^{(i)}) v\|^2 \\ \text{Variance of Projection} \quad v^* &= \underset{v: \|v\|_2=1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N (v^T x^{(i)})^2 \end{aligned}$$

NN

$$L_{\text{out}} = \left\lfloor \frac{\frac{L_{\text{in}} - K + 2P}{S} + 1}{\text{stride}} \right\rfloor$$

BN

- $P(x_1 \dots x_n) = \prod_i P(x_i | Pa(x_i))$
- X, Y conditionally indep given Z if $P(X, Y | Z) = P(X | Z) P(Y | Z)$
- In BN, X conditionally indep of all other var given Markov blanket
- Markov Blanket = all parents, children, co-parents of children
- d-connected rules
 - $Z = \emptyset \Rightarrow X, Y$ d-connected if $\exists X \sim Y$ no collider
 - X, Y d-connected given Z if $\exists X \sim Y$ no collider, no member of Z
 - If Z has collider or collider descendant, no other node from Z on path, if $\exists X \sim Y$ has that node then d-connected
- d-separated \Leftrightarrow not d-connected $\Leftrightarrow X, Y$ conditionally indep given Z

Construction

- Identify the random variables
- Determine the conditional dependencies
 - Select an ordering of variables \leftarrow changes network substantially!
 - Add them one at a time
 - For each new var X , select minimal subset of nodes as parents such that X is independent from all other nodes in the current network given its parents
- Populate the conditional probability tables
 - Using density estimation

HMM

- $P(q_1 q_2 \dots A)$
 $= P(A | q_1 \dots q_{t-1}) P(q_1 \dots q_{t-1})$
 $= P(A | q_{t-1}) P(q_{t-1} | q_{t-2}) \dots P(q_1 | q_0) P(q_0)$
- $P(q_t = s_i)$ i.e. $P_t(i)$
 $P_t(i) = \pi_i, P_t(i) = \sum_j P(q_t = s_i | q_{t-1} = s_j) P_{t-1}(j)$
- $P(Q|O), P(q_t = s_i | O)$
 $P(O|Q) = P(o_1 | q_1) \dots P(o_t | q_t)$
 $P(Q) = P(q_1 | q_{t-1}) \dots P(q_t | q_{t-1}) P(q_0)$

Inference

- Enumeration
- Stochastic inference
- Variable elimination
- Tree conversion

RL

- Standard expectimax
- Bellman equations
- Value iteration
- Q-iteration
- Policy extraction
- Policy evaluation
- Value (TD) learning
- Q-learning

$$\begin{aligned} V(s) &= \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s' | s, a) V(s') \\ V^*(s) &= \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s' | s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V^*(s')] \\ V_{k+1}(s) &= \max_a \sum_{s'} P(s' | s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V_k(s')] \\ Q_{k+1}(s, a) &= \sum_{s'} P(s' | s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma \max_a Q_k(s', a)] \\ \Pi_V(s) &= \operatorname{argmax}_a \sum_{s'} P(s' | s, a) [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V(s')] \\ V_{k+1}^{\Pi}(s) &= \sum_{s'} P(s' | s, \Pi(s)) [R(s, \Pi(s), s') + \gamma V_k^{\Pi}(s')] \\ V^{\Pi}(s) &= V^{\Pi}(s) + \alpha [r + \gamma V^{\Pi}(s') - V^{\Pi}(s)] \\ Q(s, a) &= Q(s, a) + \alpha [r + \gamma \max_a Q(s', a') - Q(s, a)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \max_Q P(Q|O) &= \text{path of } \arg \max_j \delta_t(j) \\ \delta_t(j) &= \max_{q_1 \dots q_{t-1}} P(q_1 \dots q_{t-1} \wedge q_t = s_i | O, \dots, o_t) \\ &= \max_j \delta_{t-1}(j) q_{ji} b_i(O_t) \end{aligned}$$