

# Logistic Regression

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- Output need to be  $[0,1]$
- It is a linear classifier, not a real regression

Sigmoid function

$$P(Y = 0|X) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(w_0 + \sum w_i X_i)}$$

Decision boundar:

- Class 0:  $P(Y = 0|X) > P(Y = 1|X)$ ,  $\sum w_i X_i < 0$
- Class 1:  $P(Y = 0|X) < P(Y = 1|X)$ ,  $\sum w_i X_i > 0$

## 1 Training Logistic Regression

How to learn the parameters  $w_0, \dots, w_d$  from training data  $\{(X^{(i)}, Y^{(i)})\}$

### 1.1 Maximum Conditional Likelihood Estimate

$$\hat{w}_{MLE} = \arg \max_{\vec{w}} \prod_{i=1}^n P(X^{(i)}, Y^{(i)} | \vec{w})$$

But we only know the model of  $P(Y|X)$

Discriminative philosophy: Don't waste effort learning  $P(X)$ , focus on  $P(Y|X)$  – that's all that matters for classification!

$$\left. \begin{aligned} P(Y=0|X) &= \frac{1}{1+\exp(w_0+\sum w_i X_i)} \\ P(Y=1|X) &= \frac{\exp(w_0+\sum w_i X_i)}{1+\exp(w_0+\sum w_i X_i)} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1)$$

$$l(w) = \ln \prod_i P(y^i|x^i, w) = \sum_i [y^i(w_0 + \sum w_j x_j^i) - \ln(1 + \exp(w_0 + \sum w_j x_j^i))]$$

No close-form solution to maximize  $w$ , but  $l(w)$  is concave function of  $w$ .

Gradient Ascent Algorithm:

- Initialize: Pick  $w$  at random
- Gradient:  $\nabla_w l(w) = [\frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_0}, \dots, \frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_d}]^T$
- Update rule:  $\Delta w = \eta \nabla_w l(w)$ , and  $w_i^{t+1} \leftarrow w_i^t + \Delta w$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_0} &= \sum_i [y^i - P(Y^i = 1|x^i, w)] \\ \frac{\partial l(w)}{\partial w_j} &= \sum_i x_j^i [y^i - P(Y^i = 1|x^i, w)] \end{aligned}$$

## 1.2 Maximum Conditional A Priori Estimate

Define priors on  $w$

$$p(w) = \prod_i \frac{1}{\kappa \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp -\frac{w_i^2}{2\kappa^2}$$

$$l(w) = \ln P(w) \prod_i P(y^i|x^i, w) = \sum_i [y^i(w_0 + \sum w_j x_j^i) - \ln(1 + \exp(w_0 + \sum w_j x_j^i))]$$

## 2 Logistic Regression for More Than 2 classes

for  $k < K$

$$P(Y = y_k|X) = \frac{\exp(w_{k0} + \sum w_{ki} X_i)}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(w_{j0} + \sum w_{ji} X_i)}$$

for  $k = K$

$$P(Y = y_K|X) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{K-1} \exp(w_{j0} + \sum w_{ji} X_i)}$$

The decision boundaries are still linear and they will intersect at one point. (Why?)