Multiclass logistic regression

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• Probability of each label, per sample

$$\mathbf{Pr}(\hat{y}_i = k) = \frac{\exp(\theta_k^T x_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp(\theta_j^T x_i)}$$

• Likelihood given a label

$$\mathbf{Pr}(\hat{y}_i = k | y_i) = \begin{cases} \frac{\exp(\theta_k^T x_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp(\theta_j^T x_i)} & y_i = k\\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

• Log likelihood

$$\log \mathbf{Pr}(\hat{y}_i|y_i) = \theta_{y_i}^T x_i - \log \left(\sum_{j=1}^K \exp(\theta_j^T x_i) \right)$$

• Optimization problem

$$\underset{\theta_1, \dots, \theta_K}{\text{maximize}} \ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log \mathbf{Pr}(\hat{y}_i | y_i) = \underset{\theta_1, \dots, \theta_K}{\text{maximize}} \ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\theta_{y_i}^T x_i - \log \left(\sum_{j=1}^K \exp(\theta_j^T x_i) \right) \right)$$