CS 189 Final Note Sheet

Bayesian Decision Theory

Bayes Rule: $P(\omega|x) = \frac{P(x|\omega)P(\omega)}{P(x)}, P(x) = \sum_i P(x|\omega_i)P(\omega_i)$
$P(error) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(error|x)P(x)dx$
$P(error|x) = \begin{cases} P(\omega_1|x) \text{ if we decide } \omega_2 \\ P(\omega_2|x) \text{ if we decide } \omega_1 \end{cases}$
0-1 Loss: $\lambda(\alpha_i|\omega_j) = \begin{cases} 0 & i = j \text{ (correct)} \\ 1 & i \neq j \text{ (mismatch)} \end{cases}$
Expected Loss (Risk): $R(\alpha_i|x) = \sum_{j=1}^{c} \lambda(\alpha_i|\omega_j)P(\omega_j|x)$
0-1 Risk: $R(\alpha_i|x) = \sum_{j \neq i}^{c} P(\omega_j|x) = 1 - P(\omega_i|x)$

Probabilistic Motivation for Least Squares

$y^{(i)} = \theta^\intercal x^{(i)} + \epsilon^{(i)}$ with noise $\epsilon(i) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$
Note: The intercept term $x_0 = 1$ is accounted for in θ
$\implies p(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}; \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y^{(i)} - \theta^\intercal x^{(i)})^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$
$\implies L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y^{(i)} - \theta^\intercal x^{(i)})^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$
$\implies l(\theta) = m \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - \theta^\intercal x^{(i)})^2$
$\implies \max_\theta l(\theta) \equiv \min_\theta \sum_{i=1}^{m} (y^{(i)} - h_\theta(x))^2$
Gaussian noise in our data set $\{x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{m}$gives us least squares
$min_\theta ||X\theta - y||_2^2 \equiv \min_\theta \theta^\intercal X^\intercal X\theta - 2\theta^\intercal X^\intercal y + y^\intercal y$
$\nabla_\theta l(\theta) = X^\intercal X\theta - X^\intercal y = 0 \implies \boxed{\theta^* = (X^\intercal X)^{-1} X^\intercal y}$
Gradient Descent: $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t + \alpha(y_t^{(i)} - h(x_t^{(i)}))x_t^{(i)}, \quad h_\theta(x) = \theta^\intercal x$

Least Squares Solution

$\min_x ||Ax - y||_2^2 \implies x^* = A^\dagger y$ min norm sol'n
Sol'n set: $x_0 + N(A) = x^* + N(A)$

$$A^\dagger = \begin{cases} (A^\intercal A)^{-1} A^\intercal & A \text{ full column rank} \\ A^\intercal (AA^\intercal)^{-1} & A \text{ full row rank} \\ V\Sigma^\dagger U^\intercal & \text{any } A \end{cases}$$

L2 Reg: $\min_x ||Ax - y||_2^2 + \lambda||x||_2^2 \implies x^* = (A^T A + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y$
The above variant is used when A contains a null space. L2 Reg falls out of the MLE when we add a Gaussian prior on x with $\Sigma = cI$. We get L1 Reg when x has a Laplace prior.

Logistic Regresion

Classify $y \in \{0, 1\} \implies$ Model $p(y = 1|x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\theta^T x}} = h_\theta(x)$
$\frac{dh_\theta}{d\theta} = (\frac{1}{1+e^{\theta^T x}})^2 e^{-\theta^T x} = \frac{1}{1+e^{\theta^T x}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+e^{-\theta^T x}}\right) = h_\theta(1 - h_\theta)$
$p(y|x; \theta) = (h_\theta(x))^y (1 - h_\theta(x))^{1-y} \implies$
$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{m} (h_\theta(x^{(i)}))^{y^{(i)}} (1 - h_\theta(x^{(i)}))^{1-y^{(i)}} \implies$
$l(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} y^{(i)} \log(h_\theta(x^{(i)})) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - h_\theta(x^{(i)})) \implies$
$\nabla_\theta l = \sum_i (y^{(i)} - h_\theta(x^{(i)}))x^{(i)} = X^\intercal (y - h_\theta(X))$, (want max $l(\theta)$)
Stoch: $\boxed{\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t + \alpha(y_t^{(j)} - h_\theta(x_t^{(j)}))x_t^{(j)}}$
Batch: $\boxed{\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t + \alpha X^\intercal (y - h_\theta(X))}$

Multivariate Gaussian $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$

$f(x; \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}} exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right)$
$\Sigma = E[(X - \mu)(X - \mu)^T] = E[XX^T] - \mu\mu^T$
Σ is PSD $\implies x^T \Sigma x \geq 0$, if inverse exists Σ must be PD
If $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$, then $AX + b \sim N(A\mu + b, A\Sigma A^T)$
$\implies \Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}}(X - \mu) \sim N(0, I)$, where $\Sigma^{-\frac{1}{2}} = U\Lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

The distribution is the result of a linear transformation of a vector of univariate Gaussians $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$ such that $X = AZ + \mu$ where we have $\Sigma = AA^\intercal$. From the pdf, we see that the level curves of the distribution decrease proportionally with $x^\intercal \Sigma^{-1} x$ (assume $\mu = 0$) $\implies$

$$c\text{-level set of } f \propto \{x : x^\intercal \Sigma^{-1} x = c\}$$
$$x^\intercal \Sigma^{-1} = c \equiv x^\intercal U \Lambda^{-1} U^\intercal x = c \implies$$
$$\underbrace{\lambda_1^{-1}(u_1^\intercal x)^2}_{\text{axis length: } \sqrt{\lambda_1}} + \cdots + \underbrace{\lambda_n^{-1}(u_n^\intercal x)^2}_{\text{axis length: } \sqrt{\lambda_n}} = c$$

Thus we have that the level curves form an ellipsoid with axis lengths equal to the square root of the eigenvalues of the covariance matrix.

LDA and QDA

Classify $y \in \{0, 1\}$, Model $p(y) = \phi^y \phi^{1-y}$ and
$p(x|y = 1; \mu_1) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}|\Sigma|^{1/2}} exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu_1)\right)$
$l(\theta, \mu_0, \mu_1, \Sigma) = log\ \Pi_{i=1}^{m} p(x^{(i)}|y^{(i)}; \mu_0, \mu_1, \Sigma) p(y^{(i)}; \Phi)$ gives us
$\phi_{MLE} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} 1\{y^{(i)} = 1\}, \mu_{k_{MLE}}$ =avg of $x^{(i)}$ classified as k, $\Sigma_{MLE} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (x^{(i)} - \mu_{y_{(i)}})(x^{(i)} - \mu_{y_{(i)}})^T$. Notice the covariance matrix is the same for all classes in LDA.
If $p(x|y)$ multivariate gaussian (w/ shared Σ), then $p(y|x)$ is logisitic function. The converse is NOT true. LDA makes stronger assumptions about data than does logistric regression.
$h(x) = arg\max_k -\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu_k) + log(\pi_k)$
where $\pi_k = p(y = k)$

For QDA, the model is the same as LDA except that each class has a unique covariance matrix.
$h(x) = arg\max_k -\frac{1}{2} log|\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1}(x - \mu_k) + log(\pi_k)$

Optimization

Newtons Method: $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - [\nabla_\theta^2 f(\theta_t)]^{-1} \nabla_\theta f(\theta_t)$
Gradient Decent: $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \alpha \nabla_\theta f(\theta_t)$, for minimizing
Lagrange Multipliers:
Given, $\min_x f(x)$ *s.t.* $g_i(x) = 0$, $h_i(x) \leq 0$ the corresponding Lagrangian is: $L(x, \alpha) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i g_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{l} \beta_i h_i(x)$
We min over x and max over the Lagrange multipliers α and β

Support Vector Machines

In the strictly separable case, the goal is to find a seperating hyperplane (like logistic regression) except now we don't just want any hyperplane, but one with the largest margin.
$H = \{\omega^T x + b = 0\}$, since scaling ω and b in opposite directions doesn't change the hyperplane our optimization function should have scaling invariance built into it. Thus, we do it now and define the closest points to the hyperplane x_{sv} (support vectors) to satisfy: $|\omega^T x_{sv} + b| = 1$. The distance from any support vector to the hyper plane is now: $\frac{1}{||\omega||_2}$. Maximizing the distance to the hyperplane is the same as minimizing $||\omega||_2$.
The final optimization problem is:

$$\boxed{\min_{\omega,b} \frac{1}{2}||\omega||_2 \ s.t.\ y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq 1, i = 1, \ldots, m}$$

Primal: $L_p(\omega, b, \alpha) = \frac{1}{2}||\omega||_2 - \sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_i (y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) - 1)$
$\frac{\partial L_p}{\partial \omega} = \omega - \sum \alpha_i y^{(i)} x^{(i)} = 0 \implies \omega = \sum \alpha_i y^{(i)} x^{(i)}$
$\frac{\partial L_p}{\partial b} = -\sum \alpha_i y^{(i)} = 0$, Note: $\alpha_i \neq 0$ only for support vectors.
Substitute the derivatives into the primal to get the dual.
Dual: $L_d(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{m} y^{(i)} y^{(j)} \alpha_i \alpha_j (x^{(i)})^T x^{(j)}$

In the non-separable case we allow points to cross the marginal boundary by some amount ξ and penalize it.

$$\boxed{\min_{\omega,b} \frac{1}{2}||\omega||_2 + C \sum_{i=1}^{m} \xi_i \ \ s.t.\ \ y^{(i)}(w^T x^{(i)} + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i}$$

The dual for non-separable doesn't change much except that each α_i now has an upper bound of C $\implies 0 \leq \alpha_i \leq C$

Loss Functions

In general the loss function consists of two parts, the loss term and the regularization term. $J(\omega) = \sum_i Loss_i + \lambda R(\omega)$

Nearest Neighbor

Key Idea: Store all training examples $< x_i, f(x_i) >$
NN: Find closest training point using some distance metric and take its label.
k-NN: Find closest k training points and take on the most likely label based on some voting scheme (mean, median,...)
Behavior at the limit: 1NN $lim_{N \to \infty}\ \epsilon^* \leq \epsilon_{NN} \leq 2\epsilon^*$
ϵ^* = error of optimal prediction, ϵ_{nn} = error of 1NN classifier
KNN $lim_{N \to \infty, K \to \infty}, \frac{K}{N} \to 0, \epsilon_{knn} = \epsilon^*$
Curse of dimentionality: As the number of dimensions increases, everything becomes farther appart. Our low dimension intuition falls apart. Consider the Hypersphere/Hypercube ratio, it's close to zero at d=10. Solutions: 1) Get more data to fill all of that empty space. 2) Get better features, reducing the dimentionality and packing the data closer together. Ex: Bag-of-words, Histograms,... 3) Use a better distance metric.
Minkowski: $Dis_p(x, y) = (\sum_{i=1}^{d} |x_i - y_u|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} = ||x - y||_p$
0-norm: $Dis_0(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{d} I|x_i = y_i|$
Mahalanobis: $Dis_M(x, y|\Sigma) = \sqrt{(x - y)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - y)}$
In high-d we get "Hubs" s.t most points identify the hubs as their NN. These hubs are usually near the means (Ex: dull gray images, sky and clouds). To avoid having everything classified as these hubs, we can use cosine similarity.

Gradients

$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_n} & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$, $\frac{\partial (Ax)}{\partial x} = A$, $\frac{\partial (x^T A)}{\partial x} = A^T$,
$\frac{\partial (x^T x)}{\partial x} = 2x$, $\frac{\partial (x^T Ax)}{\partial x} = (A + A^T)x$, $\frac{\partial (trBA)}{\partial x} = B^T$

Decision Trees

Given a set of points and classes $\{x_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^n$, test features x_j and branch on the feature which "best" separates the data. In new space (space without features x_j) repeat the process and continue splitting data until good classification accuracy is reached.

Heurisitics:

1. Maximize Information Gain: $\max_j$ infogain$(D|X_j)$

$$\max_j \quad \mathrm{H}(D) \; - \sum_{x_j \in X_j} P(X_j = x_j) \cdot \mathrm{H}(D|X_j = x_j)$$

   where $\mathrm{H}(D) = -\sum_{c \in C} P(y = c) \log(p(y = c))$ is the entropy of the data set, C is the set of classes each data point can take, and $P(y = c)$ is the fraction of data points with class c.

2. Minimize Gini Impurity
3. Minimize Misclassification Impurity

Optimal Split:

Random Forests

Problem: Decision trees are unstable: small changes in the input data have large effect on tree structure $\implies$ decision trees are high-variance estimators.

Solution: Random Forests train M different trees with randomly sampled subsets of the data (and sometimes with randomly sampled subsets of the features to decorrelate the trees). A new point is tested on all M trees and we take the majority as our output class (for regression we take the average of the output).

K means

Partition your data into a predetermined number of groups k. Randomly pick points to initialize the centers of the k clusters. Calculate the center (mean) of each of the k centroids. Re-assign objects to closest centroids. Stop when no re-assignments occur.

Neural Networks

Back-propagation: We want to compute gradient descent on a neural network in an efficient manner. Start with the highest node and calculate: $\delta_1^L = \frac{\partial e(w)}{\partial s_i^L}$ Then we recursively calculate down: $\delta_i^{(l-1)} = \frac{\partial e(w)}{\partial s_i^{(l-1)}} = \sum_j \delta_j^{(l)} \cdot w_{ij}^{(l)} \cdot \theta'(s_i^{(l-1)})$. Then this allows us to compute the gradient quickly over the entire network.