CS 446 Spring 2024

#### 0 Instructions

Homework is due Thursday, February 6, 2024 at 23:59pm Central Time. Please refer to https://courses.grainger.illinois.edu/cs446/sp2024/homework/hw/index.html for course policy on homeworks and submission instructions.

### 1 Short answer: 10pts

Each question is worth 2 points. One-sentence explanations are allowed but not necessary for full credit.

- 1. A (1-)nearest neighbour model is trained on a dataset  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N} \text{ where } x^{(i)} \in \mathbf{R}^d \ \forall i$ . That is, there are N training images, each of which is dimension d. It is then used to evaluate M test images. What is the time complexity of the test-time evaluation? Use big-O notation.
- 2. Consider two different k-nearest neighbor models: one has k = 1 and one with k = 10. In general, which would you expect to expect to have a "smoother" decision boundary?
- 3. Let g be the logical OR function, defined on the feature space  $\{+1, -1\}^2$ , which maps g(+1, +1) = +1, g(-1, +1) = +1, g(+1, -1) = +1, g(-1, -1) = -1. Given a linear classifier  $h(x) = \text{sign}(\boldsymbol{w} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} + b)$ , give a valid  $(\boldsymbol{w}, b)$  pair that matches ground truth g. Let sign(z) = +1 for  $z \geq 0$  and -1 otherwise.
- 4. For real matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , what relationship does the largest singular value of A have with the largest eigenvalue of  $A^{\top}A$ ?
- 5. As mentioned in lecture, image data does not normally satisfy the Naive Bayes assumption. Give one additional example of a real-world situation in which the Naive Bayes assumption is violated.

# 2 Linear Regression: 10pts

Consider a data matrix  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$  with rows  $(\boldsymbol{x}_i)_{i=1}^n$ . Assume that d > n and that X is full-rank; that is,  $\operatorname{rank}(X) = n$ .

- 1. (5pts) Show that there exists a  $\boldsymbol{w}$  such that the empirical risk with squared loss is zero, i.e., that  $X\boldsymbol{w}=\boldsymbol{y}$ .
- 2. (2pts) Let the SVD of X be  $X = U\Sigma V^{\top}$ . What is the rank of  $\Sigma$ ?
- 3. (3pts) Show that  $X^{\top}X$  is invertible.

### 3 SVM: 10 pts

1. (2pts) Recall the dual of hard-margin SVM for binary classification:

$$\max_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \boldsymbol{x}_i^{\top} \boldsymbol{x}_j : \boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \boldsymbol{\alpha} \geq 0$$

What is the smallest number of support vectors for a d-dimensional dataset  $\mathcal{D} = \{(\boldsymbol{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{10,000}$ ? In other words,  $\boldsymbol{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d \, \forall i \in [n]$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{D}$  is linearly separable and that there exists at least one point in each class.

- 2. (3pts) Let an optimal solution to the dual be  $\alpha = [10, 2, 3, 0, \dots, 0]$  (omitted elements are all 0). What are the smallest and largest number of support vectors in this case?
- 3. Recall the XOR problem, where we want to model the function  $g_{XOR}: \{-1,1\}^2 \to \{-1,1\}$ :

$$g_{XOR}(-1, -1) = g_{XOR}(1, 1) = 1$$
  
 $g_{XOR}(1, -1) = g_{XOR}(-1, 1) = -1$ 

To solve this problem, we need a nonlinear mapping. Consider the following kernel:

$$k(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{z}) = (\boldsymbol{x}^{\top} \boldsymbol{z} + 1)^2$$

- (a) (3pts) Write out a feature mapping  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^d$  that induces this kernel. In other words, what is one  $\phi$  that satisfies  $\phi(\boldsymbol{x})^{\top}\phi(\boldsymbol{z}) = k(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{z})$ ?
- (b) (2pts) Find a solution  $\boldsymbol{w}$  such that  $h(\boldsymbol{z}) = \operatorname{sign}(\boldsymbol{w}^{\top} \phi(\boldsymbol{x})) = g_{XOR}(\boldsymbol{x})$

## 4 Gaussian Naive Bayes: 15pts

Recall that the Bayes Classifier is

$$h(\boldsymbol{x}) = \operatorname*{argmax}_{y} P(y|\boldsymbol{x})$$

We will work with binary classification:  $y_i \in \{-1, +1\} \ \forall i \in [n]$ . The feature vectors are now continuous:  $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

1. (5pts) Assume that we have a prior P(y=+1)=p for some  $p \in (0,1)$ . Show that the predictor  $P(y=+1|\boldsymbol{x})$  can be written can be written  $\frac{1}{1+\exp(\log \frac{A}{B})}$ 

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where A, B are expressions in terms of p, P(x|y=+1), P(x|y=-1).

2. (8pts) Consider a Gaussian Naive Bayes model. Let  $x_j$  be the jth element of  $\boldsymbol{x}$ . Let the data be generated as follows for  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_+, \boldsymbol{\mu}_- \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $I \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  the identity matrix:

$$P(x|y = +1) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_+, I), \ P(x|y = -1) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_-, I)$$

For example, the positive class has distribution

$$P(x_j|y=+1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-(x_j - \mu_{+,j})^2}{2}\right)$$

Show that the expression from the previous part,  $\log \frac{A}{B}$ , can be written in the form  $\boldsymbol{w}^{\top}\boldsymbol{x} + b$ , where  $\boldsymbol{w}$  and b are expressions in terms of  $p, \boldsymbol{\mu}_{+}, \boldsymbol{\mu}_{-}$ . Identify assumptions and definitions used in your derivation.

3. (2pts) Write a single expression for  $P(y|\mathbf{x})$  as a function of  $y, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}, b$ .

# 5 Linear regression: 14pts + 1pt

Recall that the empirical risk in the linear regression method is defined as

$$\mathcal{R}(w) := \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (w^{\top} x_i - y_i)^2$$

where  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is a data point and  $y_i$  is an associated label.

- 1. (10.5pts) **Implement** the linear regression method using gradient descent in linear\_gd(X, Y, lrate, num\_iter) function in hw1.py. You are given a training set X as input and training labels Y as input along with a learning rate lrate and maximum number of iterations num\_iter. Using gradient descent find parameters w that minimize the empirical risk  $\mathcal{R}(w)$ . One iteration is equivalent to one full data gradient update step. Use a learning rate of lrate and only run for num\_iter iterations. Use w = 0 as your initial parameters, and return your parameters w as output.
- 2. (3.5pts) **Implement** linear regression by setting the gradient to zero and solving for the variables, in linear\_normal(X,Y) function in hw1.py. You are given a training set X as input and training labels Y as input. Return your parameters w as output.
- 3. (1pt) Implement the plot\_linear() function in hw1.py. Use the provided function utils.load\_reg\_data() to generate a training set X and training labels Y. Plot the curve generated by linear\_normal() along with the points from the data set. Return the plot as output. Include the plot in your written submission.