

Weeks: Generalized linear models

Exponential families

Motivation:

- least squares:

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - x_i^T w)^2$$



$$y = x^T w + \epsilon \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2 I)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \sim N(x^T w, \sigma^2 I)$$

- very simple model

In general we have more complicated models:

We can:

- do some feature augmentation (x, x^2, \dots)

Rich class of probabilistic models
(beyond Gaussian and Logistic)

\Rightarrow Exponential families

Exponential family:

- Logistic regression:

$$\begin{cases} P(y=1|x,w) = \tau(x^T w) = \frac{e^y}{1+e^y} \\ P(y=0|x,w) = 1 - \tau(x^T w) = \frac{1}{1+e^y} \end{cases} \quad y = x^T w$$

Single form:

$$P(y|\eta) = \frac{e^{\eta y}}{1+e^{\eta}}$$

$$= e^{\eta y} - \log(1+e^{\eta})$$

$$= e^{[\eta \phi(y) - A(\eta)]}$$

with $\phi(y) = y$

$$A(\eta) = \log(1+e^{\eta})$$

- η is related to $\mu = \mathbb{E}[Y]$ through a nonlinear relati:

$$y = \log\left(\frac{\mu}{1-\mu}\right) \Leftrightarrow \mu = \tau(y) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu = \mathbb{E}[Y] = P(y=1) \\ = \tau(y) \end{array} \right.$$

Link fn

Exponential family:

- $y \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}_+, \{0, 1\}, \mathbb{N} \dots$
can be cont. and disc.

$$P(y|\eta) = h(y) e^{[\eta^T \phi(y) - A(\eta)]}$$

- η : natural parameter
- $h(y) > 0$
- $\phi(y)$: sufficient statistic
- $A(\eta)$: (maximization) cumulant, log partition

$$\int h(y) e^{\eta^T \phi(y) - A(\eta)} dy = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A(\eta) = \log \left(\int h(y) e^{\eta^T \phi(y)} dy \right)$$

- $\mathcal{N} := \{ \eta : \int h(y) e^{\eta^T \phi(y) - A(\eta)} dy < \infty \}$ Natural parameter space

Example:

Bernoulli dist. wth par ν

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(y|\nu) &= \nu^y (1-\nu)^{1-y} = \frac{(1-\nu) \nu^y}{(1-\nu)^y} \\
 &= e^{\log(1-\nu) + y \log(\frac{\nu}{1-\nu})} \\
 &= e^{\log(\frac{\nu}{1-\nu}) \cdot y + \log(1-\nu)} e^{\eta^T \phi(y) - A(\eta)} \\
 \phi(y) &= y, \quad \eta = \log\left(\frac{\nu}{1-\nu}\right), \quad A(\eta) = -\log\left(1 - \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta}\right) = \log\left(1 + e^\eta\right) \\
 \eta &= g(\nu) = \log\left(\frac{\nu}{1-\nu}\right) \Leftrightarrow \nu = \sigma(\eta) = \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta} \quad | \quad N = \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)]
 \end{aligned}$$

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Gaussian: $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$P(y|\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$y \in \mathbb{R}$

we have 2 par. (μ, σ^2)

$$\begin{aligned} P(y|\mu, \sigma^2) &= e^{[-\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu^2}{\sigma^2} - \mu\frac{2y}{\sigma^2}]} \\ &= e^{(\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2}, \frac{1}{\sigma^2})(\frac{y}{\sigma^2}) - \frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi(y) = (y, y^2)^T, \eta = (\mu/\sigma^2, -1/\sigma^2)^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(\eta) &= \mu^2/2\sigma^2 + 1/2 \log(2\pi\sigma^2) = -\eta_1^2/4\eta_2 + 1/2 \log(-\eta_1/\eta_2) \\ &= -\eta_1^2/4\eta_2 - 1/2 \log(\eta_2/\pi) \end{aligned}$$

$$h(y) = 1$$

Link function: $\eta_1 = \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} \rightarrow \eta_2 = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu = -\eta_1/2\eta_2 \\ \sigma^2 = -\eta_2 \end{array} \right.$

Poisson with mean $\mu \cdot y \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(y|\mu) &= \frac{\mu^y}{y!} e^{-\mu} \\ &= \frac{1}{y!} e^{y \ln(\mu) - \mu} \\ &= h(y) \cdot e^{\eta^T \phi(y) - A(\eta)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(y) &= \frac{1}{y!} \\ \phi(y) &= y \end{aligned} \quad ; \eta = g(\mu) = \ln(\mu) \Rightarrow \mu = e^\eta$$

⚠ Cauchy dist. is not a member of the exp. family.

Basic properties of $A(\eta)$

- $A(\eta)$ is convex
- $\nabla_\eta A(\eta) = \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)]$
- $\nabla_\eta^2 A(\eta) = \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)\phi(y)^T] - \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)]\mathbb{E}[\phi(y)]^T$

Hölders inequality: $\|fg\|_1 \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$
 $\text{with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$

i.e Logistic Regression:

$$A(\eta) = -\log(1+e^\eta)$$

$$\nabla A(\eta) = \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta} = \sigma(\eta)$$

$$\nabla^2 A(\eta) = \sigma(\eta)(1-\sigma(\eta)) > 0$$

$$\nabla A(\eta) = \sigma(\eta) = \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)] = \mathbb{E}[y]$$

$$\nabla^2 A(\eta) = \sigma(\eta)(1-\sigma(\eta)) = N(1-\mu) = \text{Var}(y)$$

Link function

so that g s.t. $\eta = g(\mathbb{E}[\phi(y)])$

Parameter estimation

- Fixed family (h, ϕ) + data $(y_i)_{i=1}^N$ i.i.d.

→ Recover η

MLE:

$$P(y|\eta) = h(y) e^{\eta^T \phi(y) - A(\eta)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\eta) = -\ln(P(y|\eta)) = \sum_{i=1}^N -\ln(P(y_i|\eta))$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N [-\ln(h(y_i)) - \eta^T \phi(y_i) + A(\eta)]$$

$$\nabla \mathcal{L}(\eta) = \sum_{i=1}^N -\phi(y_i) + N \nabla A(\eta)$$

$$= -\sum_{i=1}^N \phi(y_i) + N \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)]$$

$$\nabla \mathcal{L}(\eta) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(y_i)$$

with a link fct g :

$$\eta = g(\mathbb{E}[\phi(y)]) \Rightarrow \eta = g\left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(y_i)\right)$$

Generalized linear model:

(x, y) iid

$$P(y|w, x) = h(y) \cdot e^{x^T w \phi(y) - A(x^T w)}$$

for $\eta = x^T w$: the linear prediction

$$S_{\text{Train}} = (x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^N, \text{ Goal: Find } w$$

How: MLE

Negative log likelihood:

$$\mathcal{L}(w) = - \sum_{i=1}^N \log(P(y_i|x_i, w))$$

$$= - \left[\sum_{i=1}^N \log(h(y_i)) + x_i^T w \phi(y_i) - A(x_i^T w) \right]$$

\mathcal{L} is convex.

$$\nabla \mathcal{L}(w) = \sum_{i=1}^N -x_i \phi(y_i) + A'(x_i^T w) x_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N -x_i \phi(y_i) + \mathbb{E}[\phi(y_i)] x_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N -x_i \phi(y_i) + g^{-1}(x_i^T w) x_i$$

$$\nabla \mathcal{L}(w) = 0 \Leftrightarrow g^{-1}(x_i^T w) x_i = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \phi(y_i)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow g^{-1}(x_i^T w) x_i - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \phi(y_i) = 0 \quad (\text{LS: } g = \text{id})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow X^T [g^{-1}(Xw) - y] = 0 \quad (\text{LR: } g^{-1} = T)$$

Recap:

- Linear Model: $y = x^T w + \epsilon \rightarrow \text{LS estimator}$

- Logistic regression: $P(y=1|x, w) = \sigma(x^T w)$

- Exponential family: $P(y|w) = h(y) e^{y^T \phi(y) - A(y)}$

- h, ϕ you can decide

- η : nature par.

- A : log-partition (convex)
 $-A(\eta)$ is convex

- $\nabla A(\eta) = \mathbb{E}[\phi(y)]$

G.L.M.

$$P(y|x, w) = h(y) e^{(x^T w \phi(y) - A(x^T w))}$$

\hookrightarrow with MLE find w