

# CS680, Spring 2020, Assignment 3

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## Exercise 1

1. Attached as ex1\_1.py.
2. Attached as ex1\_2.py. Estimated Bayes error is around 0.38 when  $n$  is large enough ( $> 100000$ ).
3. Attached as ex1\_3.py.  
When  $k = 1$ , k-NN error is 0.453667.  
When  $k = 3$ , k-NN error is 0.436333.  
When  $k = 5$ , k-NN error is 0.425667.
4. Attached as ex1\_4.py.  
When  $k = 1$ , k-NN error is 0.455000.  
When  $k = 3$ , k-NN error is 0.440000.  
When  $k = 5$ , k-NN error is 0.428333.
5. Attached as ex1\_5.py.  
When  $\sigma = 0.01$ , Bayes error: 0.004667, 1-NN error: 0.012333.  
When  $\sigma = 0.1$ , Bayes error: 0.070333, 1-NN error: 0.103667.  
When  $\sigma = 1$ , Bayes error: 0.395000, 1-NN error: 0.468333.  
When  $\sigma = 10$ , Bayes error: 0.496000, 1-NN error: 0.498000  
Bayes error is always smaller than 1-NN error, when  $\sigma$  is large, they become close.

## Exercise 2

1. The likelihood function is  $\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\mu_i^{y_i}}{y_i!} \exp(-\mu_i)$ .

Therefore, the log-likelihood function is  $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log(\mu_i) - \log(y_i!) - \mu_i$

2.  $\mu_i \in [0, +\infty)$ ,  $(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \in \mathbb{R}$ , therefore we take the log transform on  $\mu_i$
3. Let  $\log \mu_i$  equals to  $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b$ , then we got the maximization problem

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}, b} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) - \log(y_i!) - \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \quad (1)$$

Take the negative and dropped the constants we got the minimization problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) - y_i (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) \quad (2)$$

4. Let's denote the (2) as function  $f(\mathbf{w}, b)$ . Then we can calculate the gradient

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{w}} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) - y_i \mathbf{x}_i \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial b} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) - y_i\end{aligned}\tag{3}$$

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**Algorithm 1:** Gradient descent for poisson regression.

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**Input:**  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{w}_0 = \mathbf{0}_d, b_0 = 0, \text{max\_pass} \in N, \eta > 0, \text{tol} > 0$

**Output:**  $\mathbf{w}, b$

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1 for  $t = 1, 2, \dots, \text{max\_pass}$  do
2   calculate the gradient  $[\mathbf{d}_{\mathbf{w}_{t-1}}^T, \mathbf{d}_{b_{t-1}}]^T = [\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{w}_{t-1}}^T, \frac{\partial f}{\partial b_{t-1}}]^T$ 
3    $\mathbf{w}_t \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_{t-1} - \eta \mathbf{d}_{\mathbf{w}_{t-1}}$ 
4    $b_t \leftarrow b_{t-1} - \eta \mathbf{d}_{b_{t-1}}$ 
5   if  $\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}_{t-1}\| \leq \text{tol}$  then
6     break
7  $\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_t, b \leftarrow b_t$ 
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