

Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning: Homework 2

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Problem 1

The distance $d(v, H)$ of any point $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ to H must satisfies:

$$\begin{cases} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in H} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}\|_2 \\ s.t. \quad \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b = 0 \end{cases}$$

where x is a point in the hyperplane H . And we can simplify the target function $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}\|_2$ on the condition that \mathbf{v} is a given point.

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v}\|_2 \\ & \sim \min (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{v})^2 \\ & \sim \min (\mathbf{x}^2 - 2\mathbf{x}\mathbf{v}) \\ & = \min (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v}) \end{aligned}$$

The optimazation problem can be simplified as:

$$\begin{cases} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in H} (\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v}) \\ s.t. \quad \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b = 0 \end{cases}$$

It can be solved by the Lagrange multiplier method, and its Lagrange function is as follows:

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{v} + \lambda(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b)$$

Finding the gradient with respect to \mathbf{x} gives:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = 2\mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{v} + \lambda\mathbf{w}$$

Set the gradient as zero and we can get the best solution is:

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{v} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda\mathbf{w}$$

Substitute the above relation into the constraint can get the value of λ :

$$\lambda = \frac{2(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{v} + b)}{\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{w}}$$

Therefore, the distance d of point \mathbf{v} to the hyperplane H is:

$$d = |\lambda| \|\mathbf{w}\| = \frac{|\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{v} + b|}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$

Problem 2

The loss function for the whole dataset is:

$$L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N [(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) - y_i]^2$$

In order to find the minimum of the loss function, we set derivatives wrt \mathbf{w} and b to zero:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^{*\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b^* - y_i) \mathbf{x}_i &= 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^{*\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b^* - y_i) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Given that:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i &= N_1 \frac{N}{N_1} - N_2 \frac{N}{N_2} = 0 \\ \mathbf{m} &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{x}_i = \frac{1}{N} (N_1 \mathbf{m}_1 + N_2 \mathbf{m}_2) \end{aligned}$$

from $\sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^{*\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b^* - y_i) = 0$, we can get that:

$$b^* = -\mathbf{w}^{*\top} \mathbf{m}$$

Given that:

$$\begin{aligned} S_W &= \sum_{i \in C_1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{m}_1)(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{m}_1)^\top + \sum_{i \in C_2} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{m}_2)(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{m}_2)^\top \\ S_B &= (\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)(\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)^\top \\ b^* &= -\mathbf{w}^{*\top} \mathbf{m} \end{aligned}$$

from $\sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^{*\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b^* - y_i) \mathbf{x}_i = 0$ we can get:

$$(S_W + \frac{N_1 N_2}{N} S_B) \mathbf{w}^* = N(\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)$$

Since $S_B \mathbf{w}^*$ is in the direction of $\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2$, $S_W \mathbf{w}^*$ should also be in the direction of $\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2$, that is:

$$\mathbf{w}^* \parallel S_W^{-1}(\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)$$

It is consistent with the \mathbf{w} in solution:

$$\max_{\omega} J_F(\omega) = \max_{\omega} \frac{\omega^T S_b \omega}{\omega^T S_w \omega}$$

Problem 3

3.1

$$\sigma(x) + \sigma(-x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} + \frac{1}{1 + e^x} = \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} + \frac{1}{1 + e^x} = 1$$

3.2

$$\sigma'(x) = \frac{e^{-x}}{(1 + e^{-x})^2} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}\right) = \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x))$$

3.3

$$\begin{aligned} \because \sigma(x) &= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \\ \therefore e^{-x} &= \frac{1}{\sigma(x)} - 1 \\ \tanh(x) &= \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} = \frac{1 - e^{-2x}}{1 + e^{-2x}} = \frac{2\sigma(x) - 1}{1 - 2\sigma(x) + 2\sigma(x)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Bonus

Fully differentiate the loss function:

$$dL = 2(f(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{y}) \cdot f(\mathbf{x})(1 - f(\mathbf{x})) \cdot d(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b)$$

Find the partial derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} \because d(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + b) &= \mathbf{x}^\top d\mathbf{w} + db \\ \therefore \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}} &= 2(f(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{y}) \cdot f(\mathbf{x})(1 - f(\mathbf{x}))\mathbf{x} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial b} &= 2(f(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{y}) \cdot f(\mathbf{x})(1 - f(\mathbf{x})) \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

4.1

The 9-dimensional unit norm vector \mathbf{w}^* is:

$$\mathbf{w}^* = [0.457, 0.320, 0.228, 0.089, 0.122, 0.687, 0.283, 0.247, 0.041]$$

The classification accuracy on the dataset is 96.14%.

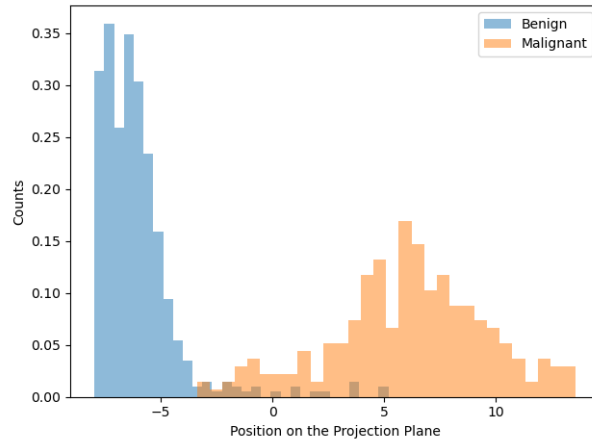


Figure 1: The histogram of the projection of dataset to the best plane

4.2

I use $\rho = 0.001$ for the regression, and iterate the regression for 10000 steps. I get a classification accuracy of 97.14%. The best weight \mathbf{w}^* is:

$$\mathbf{w}^* = [0.423, 0.136, 0.203, 0.218, 0.026, 0.444, 0.225, 0.137, 0.441]$$

and the best bias b^* is:

$$b^* = -7.488$$

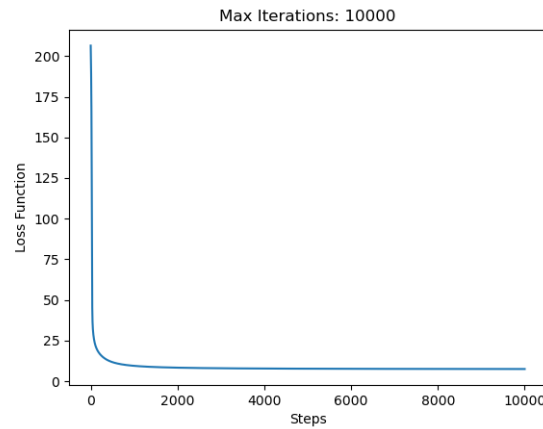


Figure 2: The loss function of the logistic regression over the iterations

4.3

The cosine between \mathbf{w}_1^* and \mathbf{w}_2^* is:

$$\cos \langle \mathbf{w}_1^*, \mathbf{w}_2^* \rangle = \frac{\mathbf{w}_1^* \cdot \mathbf{w}_2^*}{\|\mathbf{w}_1^*\| \|\mathbf{w}_2^*\|} = 0.840$$

They have a difference in angle of 32.91° , which implies that they are similar in a way. It is because the \mathbf{w} in both methods is projecting the feature vectors of the samples into a direction. The more indicative those features are, the higher weight they should have in both methods. Therefore, they are similar in a way. However, in logistic regression, after being projected with the \mathbf{w} , the feature vectors are acted upon by the sigmoid function to obtain the final output, so it is reasonable that these two \mathbf{w}^* are not exactly the same.

Clump thickness is the most indicative feature that implies one gets breast cancer, because clump thickness has a relatively high weight in both \mathbf{w}^* s.