

HW 1 - ML

TASK 1

HP 1

likelihood function:

For logistic regression, the probability $P(y_n | x_n)$ can be given by the sigmoid function:

$$P(y_n = 1 | x_n) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w^T x_n}}$$

$$P(y_n = 0 | x_n) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w^T x_n}} = \frac{e^{-w^T x_n}}{1 + e^{-w^T x_n}}$$

To consolidate 2 equations,

$$P(y_n | x_n) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}$$

Given the data, $L(w) = \prod_{n=1}^N P(y_n | x_n)$

$$L(w) = \prod_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}$$

Log-likelihood function

Take natural log on both sides

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(L(w)) &= \sum_{n=1}^N \ln \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N -\ln(1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n})\end{aligned}$$

To maximize the likelihood,

maximize log-likelihood $\propto \frac{1}{- (\log \text{likelihood})}$

1.) Cross-Entropy Error

$E_{in}(w)$ for logistic regression is:

$$E_{in}(w) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \ln \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}} \right)$$

$$E_{in}(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \ln(1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n})$$

Now comparing the expressions, we see that minimizing the cross-Entropy error $E_{in}(w)$ is equivalent to minimizing the log-likelihood $\ln(L(w))$ as both involve minimizing/maximizing the same summation term.

→ Thus, we've shown that selecting the hypothesis h that maximizes the likelihood is equivalent to minimizing the cross-entropy error for logistic regression.

HP 2

To derive the gradient of the in-sample and w.r.t weight vector w , we start with the definition of the cross-entropy error for logistic regression.

$$E_{in}(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \ln(1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n})$$

For the gradient descent algorithm, we need to determine gradient of this error w.r.t weight vector w .

The gradient will be a vector, and the component corresponding to the i th vector w_i can be found by differentiating E_{in} w.r.t w_i & then can generalize it for the entire weight vector.

For simplicity, let's consider the term inside the summation:

$$e_n(w) = \ln(1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n})$$

we need to compute $\frac{\partial e_n(w)}{\partial w_i}$

Using chain rule & for logarithm,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial e_n(w)}{\partial w_i} &= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} (1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}) \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}} \times (-y_n x_{ni} e^{-y_n w^T x_n}) \\ &= \frac{-y_n x_{ni} e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}\end{aligned}$$

Using the result, gradient component for w_i is:

$$\frac{\partial E_{in}(w)}{\partial w_i} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{-y_n x_{ni} e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}$$

By generalizing this for all components of the weight vector, we get the gradient:

$$\nabla E_{in}(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{-y_n x_n e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}{1 + e^{-y_n w^T x_n}}$$

where $x_n \rightarrow n^{\text{th}}$ input vector.

This gradient is used in the gradient descent algorithm to iteratively update the weight vector & minimize the in-sample error.