Generative and Discriminative Models

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Generative Models and Bayes Rule

Bayes rule states that

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|y)p(y)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

For 2-class problem, posterior probability for C₁

$$p(C_1|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|C_1)p(C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|C_1)p(C_1) + p(\mathbf{x}|C_2)p(C_2)} = \frac{\exp(a)}{\exp(a) + 1}$$

• Here a is the log-odds ratio:

$$a = \log \left(\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|C_1)p(C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|C_2)p(C_2)} \right)$$

• The class posterior can be written as

$$P(C_1|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)} = \sigma(a)$$

• Need to estimate (model): for j = 1, 2

Prior: $p(C_j)$ Conditional: $p(\mathbf{x}|C_j)$



Continuous Inputs: Multi-variate Gausians

ullet Assume class conditionals are Gaussian: different μ_j , same Σ

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}|C_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)^\mathsf{T} \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)\right\}$$

• Class labels: $y_n \in \{0, 1\}$, classes C_1, C_2 :

$$\mathbf{x}_n \in C_1 \Rightarrow y_n = 1, \qquad \mathbf{x}_n \in C_2 \Rightarrow y_n = 0$$

- Class priors: $P(y_n = 1) = \pi, P(y_n = 0) = 1 \pi$
- Likelihood of one data point (y_n, \mathbf{x}_n)

$$\begin{aligned} p(y_n, \mathbf{x}_n) &= p(y_n) p(\mathbf{x}_n | y_n) \\ &= \left\{ \pi p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_1, \Sigma) \right\}^{y_n} \left\{ (1 - \pi) p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_2, \Sigma) \right\}^{1 - y_n} \end{aligned}$$



Continuous Inputs: Multi-variate Gausians (Contd.)

Likelihood of the data, assuming independence

$$\begin{split} \rho((\mathbf{y}, X) | \pi, \mu_1, \mu_2, \Sigma) &= \rho((y_1, \mathbf{x}_1), \dots, (y_N, \mathbf{x}_N) | \pi, \mu_1, \mu_2, \Sigma) \\ &= \prod_{n=1}^N \rho(y_n, \mathbf{x}_n | \pi, \mu_1, \mu_2, \Sigma) \\ &= \prod_{n=1}^N \left\{ \pi \rho(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_1, \Sigma) \right\}^{y_n} \left\{ (1 - \pi) \rho(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_2, \Sigma) \right\}^{1 - y_n} \end{split}$$

Estimate parameters by maximizing log-likelihood

$$\begin{split} \log p((\mathbf{y}, X) | \pi, \mu_1, \mu_2, \Sigma) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ y_n \log(\pi p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_1, \Sigma)) + (1 - y_n) \log((1 - \pi) p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_2, \Sigma)) \right\} \end{split}$$



Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Log-likelihood of the data

$$\begin{split} \log p((\mathbf{y}, X) | \pi, \mu_1, \mu_2, \Sigma) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ y_n \log(\pi p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_1, \Sigma)) + (1 - y_n) \log((1 - \pi) p(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_2, \Sigma)) \right\} \end{split}$$

• Optimizing over the parameters $(\pi, \{\mu_1, \mu_2\}, \Sigma)$

$$\pi = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} y_n = \frac{N_1}{N_1 + N_2}$$

$$\mu_k = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{\mathbf{x}_n \in C_k} \mathbf{x}_n , k = 1, 2$$

$$\Sigma = \sum_{k=1}^{2} \frac{N_k}{N} \left(\frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in C_k} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_k) (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_k)^T \right)$$

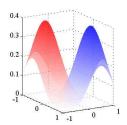
Prediction: 2-class problems

For 2-class problem

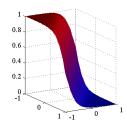
$$p(C_1|\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0)$$

$$\mathbf{w} = \Sigma^{-1}(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$$

$$w_0 = -\frac{1}{2}\mu_1^T \Sigma^{-1}\mu_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2^T \Sigma^{-1}\mu_2 + \log \frac{p(C_1)}{p(C_2)}$$



Class conditionals



Class posteriors

Generative Models and Bayes Rule: K-class

Recall that

$$p(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{K} p(x, C_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{K} p(C_j) p(x|C_j)$$

• For K-class problem, posterior probability for C_k

$$p(C_k|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)p(C_k)}{p(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)p(C_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} p(\mathbf{x}|C_j)p(C_j)} = \frac{\exp(a_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} \exp(a_j)}$$

• Here, a_k is given by

$$a_k = \log p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)p(C_k) = \log p(\mathbf{x}|C_k) + \log p(C_k)$$

• Need to estimate (model): for k = 1, 2, ..., K

Prior:
$$p(C_k)$$
 Conditional: $p(x|C_k)$

• Make "parametric" assumptions about the conditional $p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)$



Prediction: K-class problems

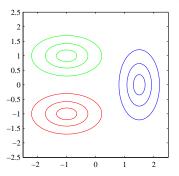
For K-class problem

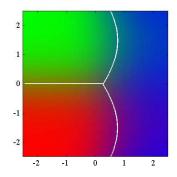
$$a_k(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}_k^T \mathbf{x} + w_{k0}$$

$$\mathbf{w}_k = \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k$$

$$w_{k0} = -\frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k + \log p(C_k)$$

- ullet If Σ is the same for each class: Linear Discriminant
- ullet If Σ is not the same for each class: Quadratic Discriminant





Naive Bayes: Conditional Independence of Features

- Generative models need to specify $p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)$
- Conditional independence (CI) simplifies the specification

$$p(\mathbf{x}|C_k) = p(x_1,\ldots,x_D|C_k) = \prod_{i=1}^D P(x_i|C_k)$$

- Factorized form for $p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)$
- Sufficient to specify marginal distributions $p(x_i|C_k)$
- Examples:
 - Binary $x_i \in \{0,1\}$, Bernoulli distribution $p(x_i|C_k) = \mu_{ik} \in [0,1]$
 - Count $x_i \in \{0, 1, 2, ...\}$, multinomial, Poisson, etc.
 - Real $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$, univariate Gaussian $p(x_i|C_k) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{ik}, \sigma_{ik}^2)$



Naive Bayes: Binary Features, Bernoulli Marginals

- Assume binary features $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$
- Bernoulli marginals: for feature i, class k, $\mu_{ik} \in [0,1]$

$$p(x_i = 1 | C_k) = \mu_{ik}$$
 $p(x_i = 0 | C_k) = 1 - \mu_{ik}$

Assume conditional independence of features

$$p(\mathbf{x}|C_k) = \prod_{i=1}^{D} p(x_i|C_k) = \prod_{i=1}^{D} \mu_{ik}^{x_i} (1 - \mu_{ik})^{1 - x_i}$$

For K-classes, we have

$$a_k(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{D} \{x_i \log \mu_{ik} + (1-x_i) \log(1-\mu_{ik})\} + \log p(C_k)$$



Naive Bayes: Count Features

- Assume count features $x_i \in \{0, 1, 2, \ldots\}$
- Probability of x_i occurring $p(x_i|C_k) = \pi_{ik} \in [0,1]$
- Probability of x_i occurring n_{ik} times, assuming CI

$$p(\underbrace{x_i,\ldots,x_i}_{n_{ik} \text{ times}}|C_k) = \prod_{j=1}^{n_{ik}} p(x_i|C_k) = \pi_{ik}^{n_{ik}}$$

- Naive-Bayes model for text classification
 - $\pi_{ik} = p(x_i|C_k)$: probability of word x_i is class C_k
- Assume W words total, n_x words in x
- Assuming conditional independence

$$p(\mathbf{x}|C_k) = p(x_1, \dots, x_{n_{\mathbf{x}}}|C_k) = \prod_{i=1}^{W} \pi_{ki}^{n_{ik}}$$

• For K-classes, we have

$$a_k(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{W} n_{ik} \log \pi_{ik} + \log p(C_k)$$



Naive Bayes: Real-valued features

- Assume count features $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$
- Marginal Gaussian distribution $p(x_i|C_k) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_{ik}, \sigma_{ik}^2)$
- Joint distribution is multivariate Gaussian, $\Sigma_k = \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_{ik}^2)$

$$p(\mathbf{x}|C_k) = \prod_{i=1}^{D} p(x_i|C_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{D} \sigma_{ik}\right)} \exp\left\{-\sum_{i=1}^{D} \frac{(x_i - \mu_{ik})^2}{2\sigma_{ik}^2}\right\}$$

• For K-classes, we have

$$a_k(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^D \log p(x_i|C_k) + \log p(C_k)$$



Discriminative Models and Bayes Rule

Bayes rule states that

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|y)p(y)}{p(\mathbf{x})}.$$

- Generative models make assumptions about $p(\mathbf{x}|y)$
- Discriminative models
 - Make assumptions about $p(y|\mathbf{x})$
 - There is no attempt to model p(x)
 - Does not solve a more general problem

Logistic Regression (2 Class)

- Assume a 2 class problem with $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^D$ and $y \in \{0,1\}$
- Logistic Regression assumes

$$\log\left(\frac{P(1|\mathbf{x})}{P(0|\mathbf{x})}\right) = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}$$

- The log-odds ratio is affine in x
- A direct calculation gives

$$P(1|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})}{1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})} = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})$$

$$P(0|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})} = 1 - \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})$$

Exponential Family and Logistic Regression

An exponential family has density

$$p(\mathbf{x}; \eta) = \exp(\eta^T \mathbf{x}) g(\eta) h(\mathbf{x})$$

- ullet Family is determined by "partition function" $g(\cdot)$
- ullet Specific distribution has parameter η
- Example: Gaussian, Bernoulli, Multinomial, Beta, etc.
- Assume $p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)$ are exponential family distributions
 - Belong to the same family, i.e., same $g(\cdot)$
 - Each class has a different parameter $\eta_h, h = 1, \dots, k$
- The log-odds ratio of the posterior

$$\log\left(\frac{P(C_h|\mathbf{x})}{P(C_k|\mathbf{x})}\right) = \mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + w_0$$

- Exponential family assumption leads to affine log-odds
- Logistic regression models have lower "bias"



Logistic Regression as a Bernoulli Model

- Logistic regression: $P(1|\mathbf{x}) = \pi, P(0|\mathbf{x}) = (1-\pi)$
- Logistic regression as Bernoulli model with $\pi=\pi(\mathbf{w};\mathbf{x})$
- Likelihood of label y: sample from Bernoulli distribution

$$p(y;\pi) = \pi^{y}(1-\pi)^{1-y} = \exp\left\{\ln\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right)y\right\}(1-\pi)$$

• Maximize likelihood of training set labels $\{y_1,...,y_N\}$ w.r.t. π

$$\max_{\pi} \prod_{n=1}^{N} p(y_n; \pi)$$

• Recall that $\pi = \pi(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{x})$ with

$$\pi(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x})}{1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x})} \quad \text{and} \quad \ln\left(\frac{\pi(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{x})}{1 - \pi(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{x})}\right) = \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{x}$$



Logistic Regression: Training

- Training set $\{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, y_N)\}$ with $y_n \in \{0, 1\}$
- Then

$$P(1|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})}{1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})} = \sigma\left(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}\right)$$

Likelihood, assuming independence

$$P(\mathbf{y}|X) = \frac{p(\mathbf{y},X)}{p(X)} = \prod_{n=1}^{N} P(y_i|\mathbf{x}_i) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} P(1|\mathbf{x}_n)^{y_n} (1 - P(1|\mathbf{x}_n))^{(1-y_n)}$$

Log-likelihood, to be maximized

$$G(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ y_n \log P(1|\mathbf{x}_n) + (1 - y_n) \log(1 - P(1|\mathbf{x}_n)) \right\}$$
$$= \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ y_n \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - \log(1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)) \right\}$$



Logistic Regression: Training (Contd)

Let

$$\pi_n = \pi(\mathbf{w}; \mathbf{x}_n) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)}{1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)} = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)$$

• The negative log-likelihood, to be minimized

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ y_n \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - \log(1 + \exp(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n)) \right\}$$

The gradient of the objective function

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}_t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (\pi(\mathbf{w}_t; \mathbf{x}_n) - y_n) \mathbf{x}_n = X^{T} (\pi(\mathbf{w}_t; X) - \mathbf{y})$$

- Our notation: $X^T = [\mathbf{x}_1 \cdots \mathbf{x}_N]$ is $D \times N$
- ullet Convex objective: Can use gradient descent, step-size $lpha_t$

$$\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \mathbf{w}_t - \alpha_t \nabla E(\mathbf{w}_t)$$



Iteratively Reweighted Least Squares (IRLS)

- We want to solve $\nabla E(\mathbf{w}) = X^T(\pi \mathbf{y}) = 0$
- From Newton-Raphson iterative optimization

$$\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{new}} = \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{old}} - H^{-1}(\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{old}}) \nabla E(\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{old}})$$

The Hessian for logistic regression

$$H = \nabla^2 E(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^N \pi_n (1 - \pi_n) \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T = X^T R X$$

- R is a diagonal matrix with $R_{nn}=\pi_n(1-\pi_n)$
- Hence, the Newton-Raphson updates

$$\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} = \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - (X^T R X)^{-1} X^T (\pi - \mathbf{y})$$

$$= (X^T R X)^{-1} \left\{ X^T R X \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - X^T (\pi - \mathbf{y}) \right\}$$

$$= (X^T R X)^{-1} X^T R \mathbf{z}$$

where
$$\mathbf{z} = X\mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - R^{-1}(\pi - \mathbf{y})$$



Iteratively Reweighted Least Squares (IRLS) (Contd.)

The update for logistic regression

$$\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} = (X^T R X)^{-1} X^T R \mathbf{z}$$

Recall the solution to the least squares regression

$$\mathbf{w} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbf{y}$$

- However, since $\pi = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})$
 - An update of ${\bf w}$ updates π
 - An update of π updates R, $R_{nn} = \pi_n(1 \pi_n)$
- We have to repeatedly solve the update equation for w^{new}
- Convergence and scalability of IRLS



Multi-class Logistic Regression

The class posteriors are given by:

$$p(C_k|\mathbf{x}) = \pi_k(\mathbf{w}_k;\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(a_k)}{\sum_i \exp(a_i)}, \quad a_k = \mathbf{w}_k^T \mathbf{x}$$

• The likelihood can be written using y_n (1-of-K coding)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{w}_{1},\ldots,\mathbf{w}_{K}) &= \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{k=1}^{K} \rho(C_{k}|\mathbf{x}_{n})^{y_{nk}} = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \prod_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{nk}^{y_{nk}} \\ E(\mathbf{w}_{1},\ldots,\mathbf{w}_{K}) &= -\log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{w}_{1},\ldots,\mathbf{w}_{K}) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{K} y_{nk} \log \pi_{nk} \end{aligned}$$

We can similarly compute gradient, Hessian, and do updates

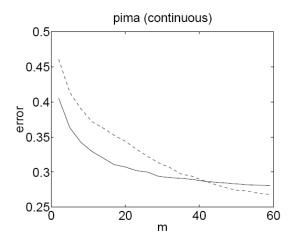
$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}_k} E(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_K) = \sum_{n=1}^N (\pi_{nk} - y_{nk}) \mathbf{x}_n$$
$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}_k} \nabla_{\mathbf{w}_j} E(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_K) = -\sum_{n=1}^N \pi_{nk} (I_{kj} - \pi_{nk}) \mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^T$$

Generative Vs Discriminative

- Generative models make explicit assumptions on $p(\mathbf{x}|y)$
 - Solves a more general problem, finds p(x)
 - Has higher "bias" (focuses on a smaller set of models)
 - Converges faster to asymptotic performance
 - There are consistent estimation algorithms
 - True error rate may be high if assumptions are not appropriate
- Logistic regression makes assumptions on $p(y|\mathbf{x})$
 - Does not solve a more general problem
 - Has "lower bias" (focuses on a bigger set of models)
 - Convergence to asymptotic performance is slower
 - Careful consistency analysis is required
 - True error rate may be lower due to low bias

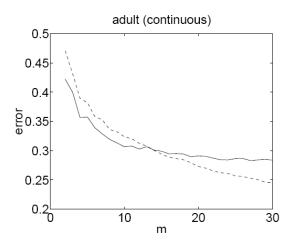


Results: Pima



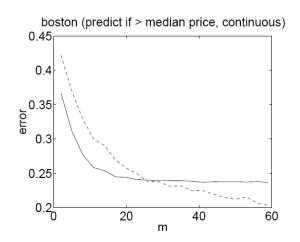
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Results: Adult



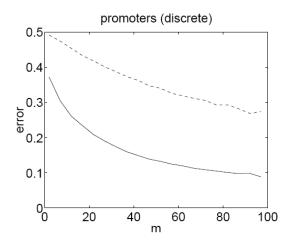
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Results: Boston



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Results: Promoters



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