

# **Optional Lab: Logistic Regression, Decision Boundary**

### Goals

In this lab, you will:

- . Plot the decision boundary for a logistic regression model. This will give you a better sense of what the model is predicting.

### **Dataset**

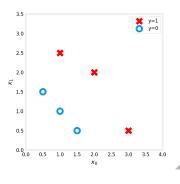
Let's suppose you have following training dataset

- $\bullet\,$  The input variable  $\,x\,$  is a numpy array which has 6 training examples, each with two features
- $\bullet$  The output variable  $\,y\,$  is also a numpy array with 6 examples, and  $\,y\,$  is either 0  $\,$  or 1  $\,$

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In [2]: X = np.array([[0.5, 1.5], [1,1], [1.5, 0.5], [3, 0.5], [2, 2], [1, 2.5]])
y = np.array([0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1]).reshape(-1,1)
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#### Plot data

Let's use a helper function to plot this data. The data points with label y = 1 are shown as red crosses, while the data points with label y = 0 are shown as blue circles



## Logistic regression model

Suppose you'd like to train a logistic regression model on this data which has the form

$$f(x) = g(w_0 x_0 + w_1 x_1 + b)$$

where  $g(z)=rac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$  , which is the sigmoid function

 $\bullet$  Let's say that you trained the model and get the parameters as  $b=-3, w_0=1, w_1=1$ . That is,

$$f(x) = g(x_0 + x_1 - 3)$$

(You'll learn how to fit these parameters to the data further in the course)

Let's try to understand what this trained model is predicting by plotting its decision boundary

# Refresher on logistic regression and decision boundary

Recall that for logistic regression, the model is represented as

$$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(l)}) = g(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(l)} + b) \tag{1}$$

where g(z) is known as the sigmoid function and it maps all input values to values between 0 and 1:

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}} \tag{2}$$

and  $\boldsymbol{w}\cdot\boldsymbol{x}$  is the vector dot product:

$$\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} = w_0 x_0 + w_1 x_1$$

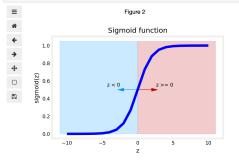
- We interpret the output of the model  $(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}))$  as the probability that y=1 given  $\mathbf{x}$  and parameterized by  $\mathbf{w}$  and b.
  - Therefore, to get a final prediction (y = 0 or y = 1) from the logistic regression model, we can use the following heuristic -

if 
$$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(x) >= 0.5$$
, predict  $y = 1$ 

if 
$$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(x) < 0.5$$
, predict  $y = 0$ 

- Let's plot the sigmoid function to see where g(z)>=0.5

ax.set\_title( sigmoid runction )
ax.set\_ylabel('sigmoid(z)')
ax.set\_xlabel('z')
draw\_vthresh(ax,0)



- As you can see, g(z) >= 0.5 for z >= 0
  For a logistic regression model, z = w · x + b. Therefore,

if  $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b >= 0$ , the model predicts y = 1

if  $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b < 0$ , the model predicts y = 0

## Plotting decision boundary

Now, let's go back to our example to understand how the logistic regression model is making predictions.

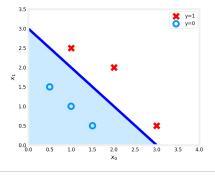
Our logistic regression model has the form

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = g(-3 + x_0 + x_1)$$

ullet From what you've learnt above, you can see that this model predicts y=1 if  $-3+x_0+x_1>=0$ 

Let's see what this looks like graphically. We'll start by plotting  $-3 + x_0 + x_1 = 0$ , which is equivalent to  $x_1 = 3 - x_0$ .

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In [5]: # Choose values between 0 and 6
x0 = np.arange(0,6)
                    x1 = 3 - x0
fig.ax = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(5,4))
# Plot the decision boundary
ax.plot(x0,x1, c='b')
ax.axis([0, 4, 0, 3.5])
                     # Fill the region below the line
ax.fill_between(x0,x1, alpha=0.2)
                   # Plot the original data
plot_data(X,y,ax)
ax.set_ylabel(r'$x_1$')
ax.set_xlabel(r'$x_0$')
plt.show()
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- In the plot above, the blue line represents the line  $x_0+x_1-3=0$  and it should intersect the x1 axis at 3 (if we set  $x_1=3$ ,  $x_0=0$ ) and the x0 axis at 3 (if we set  $x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_0 = 3$ ).
- The shaded region represents  $-3 + x_0 + x_1 < 0$ . The region above the line is  $-3 + x_0 + x_1 > 0$ .
- Any point in the shaded region (under the line) is classified as y = 0. Any point on or above the line is classified as y = 1. This line is known as the "decision boundary".

As we've seen in the lectures, by using higher order polynomial terms (eg:  $f(x) = g(x_0^2 + x_1 - 1)$ , we can come up with more complex non-linear

## Congratulations!

You have explored the decision boundary in the context of logistic regression.

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