## CS446: Machine Learning, Fall 2017, Homework 1

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## Problem 2

**Solution:** (a) It is given in the question that

$$p(y|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = Ber(y|sigm(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})).$$

Hence,

$$p(y = 1|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = Ber(y = 1|sigm(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})).$$

By definition of Bernoulli distribution,

$$Ber(y|\theta) = \theta^y (1-\theta)^{1-y}$$

$$Ber(y = 1 | \theta) = \theta^{1} (1 - \theta)^{1 - 1} = \theta$$

Taking  $\theta = sigm(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}),$ 

$$Ber(y = 1|sigm(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})) = sigm(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x}}}$$

Hence,

$$p(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = Ber(y = 1 | sigm(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}}.$$

$$p(y = 0|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = 1 - p(y = 1|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}} = \frac{e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}}$$

Dividing numerator and denominator by  $e^{-\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x}}$ , we get

$$p(y=0|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}}}.$$

**Solution:** (b) Derivative of Sigmoid function

$$\frac{d}{dz}sigm(z) = \frac{d}{dz}\frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

By quotient rule,

$$= \frac{0*(1+e^{-z})-1*(-e^{-z})}{(1+e^{-z})^2} = \frac{e^{-z}}{(1+e^{-z})^2}$$

**Solution:** (c) Likelihood function of Logistic Regression for a data set  $D_n$ 

$$= p(D_n|\theta_i)$$

Because we assume that independent sampling is done we can write this as,

$$=\prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|\theta_i)$$

where  $\theta_i$  is the set of parameters, which is  $sigm(\mathbf{w}^T x_i)$  here and  $y_i$  are data points which can be equal to 0 or 1.

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} Ber(y_i|\theta_i)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \theta_i^{y_i} (1 - \theta_i)^{1 - y_i}$$

Hence the likelihood function of logistic regression is

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \theta_i^{y_i} (1 - \theta_i)^{1 - y_i}$$

where  $\theta_i = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}^T x_i}}$  and  $y_i = \{0, 1\}$ 

Solution: (d) Log Likelihood function

Taking logarithm of the final expression in (c), we get

$$log(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \theta_i^{y_i} (1 - \theta_i)^{1 - y_i})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i log(\theta_i) + (1 - y_i) log(1 - \theta_i))$$

where  $\theta_i = sigm(\mathbf{w}^T x_i)$ . To find the update rule for gradient descent, we first take the gradient of the log likelihood expression i.e.  $\nabla LL(\mathbf{w}_k)$ 

$$\nabla LL(\mathbf{w}_k) = \frac{d}{d\mathbf{w}_k} LL(\mathbf{w}_k)$$

Using chain rule, this can be written as

$$= \frac{d}{d\theta_i} LL(\mathbf{w}_k) * \frac{d\theta_i}{d\mathbf{w}_k}$$

Let us solve this in two parts. Computing the first part,

$$\frac{d}{d\theta_i} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i log(\theta_i) + (1 - y_i) log(1 - \theta_i))$$

Since  $y_i = 0$  or 1, it can be treated as a constant. On differentiating the inside expression, we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i * \frac{1}{\theta_i} + (1 - y_i) * \frac{1}{1 - \theta_i} * -1)$$

Simplifying the expression and substituting  $\theta_i = sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i)$  we get,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{y_i}{sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i)} - \frac{(1-y_i)}{(1-sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i))} \right)$$

Now, computing the second part

$$\frac{d\theta_i}{d\mathbf{w}_k} = \frac{d}{d\mathbf{w}_k} sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i) = \frac{d}{d\mathbf{w}_k} \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i}} \right)$$

Using the result of part (b) in this question,

$$= \frac{e^{-\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i} x_i}{(1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i})^2} = x_i.sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i).(1 - sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i))$$

Since,  $sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i) = \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i})}$  and  $1 - sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i) = \frac{e^{-\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i} x_i}{(1 + e^{-\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i})}$  Now, let's combine both the expressions into one.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{y_i}{sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i)} - \frac{(1-y_i)}{(1-sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i))}\right).x_i.sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i).(1-sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i))$$

$$= \frac{(y_i - sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i))}{sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i).(1 - sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i)}.x_i.sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i).(1 - sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i))$$

After cancelling some terms, we get

$$= (y_i - sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i)).x_i$$

Hence the update rule for Gradient Descent is

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} = \mathbf{w}_k + \eta.(y_i - sigm(\mathbf{w}_k^T x_i)).x_i$$

where  $\eta$  is the stepsize of Gradient Descent.

## References

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