Regression + Assignment 1

(Neural Networks Implementation and Application Tutorial)

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Overview

- Assignment 1
- Regression
- Assignment 2

Update

Up to 2 points for participation.

Assignment 1

Organization

- Late submissions (>10mins) will not be accepted unless previously agreed upon
- Other questions?

Notes

- Very nice solutions!
- Reconstruction error on original space, not standardized (we did the same mistake)



Assignment 1

- Tutor cue: go through the assignment
- Questions?
- Did it work?
- Were you able to collaborate?

Regression

- What is the difference between classification and regression? ⁽⁹⁾
- What is regression in terms of functions?
 - ▶ Any function $f: F \to \mathbb{R}$ (from joint feature space to numbers)
- What is *linear* regression? ⁽²⁾
 - $\hat{y} = x^T \cdot \beta + \beta_c$ (parameters β, β_c)

Which of the following are regression (and linear/polynomial) models? 9 1. 5

- **2** $4 \cdot x_1 + 5$
- $4 \cdot x_1 + 3 \cdot x_1 \cdot x_2 + 5$
- $\begin{cases}
 4 \cdot x_1 + 5 & \text{if } x_2 \ge 10 \\
 3 \cdot x_1 + 4 & \text{if } x_2 < 10
 \end{cases}$

Regression

Regression to Classification 🤔 🤔



Assume that we have a function that outputs a score for every class, e.g. Predict sentiment into (positive, negative, neutral):

$$(15.0, -2.3, 4.1)$$

- How do we use this for classification?
 - Argmax
- Can we get a probability distribution?
 - Softmax: $\frac{\exp x_i}{\sum_{i} \exp x_k}$

Loss & Regularization

Loss

- Why L_2 and not L_1 ?
 - We care about points that are drastially mispredicted, e.g. $L_2(-1, 10)$ and not about almost correctly predicted instances $L_2(-1, -1.1)$
 - In L_1 , these would have the same weight (gradient)
 - $\sim L_1$ leads to some parameters being 0 (sometimes a good thing)

Regularization

- Why do we want to regularize?
 - Prevent overfitting, prevent reliance on noise
- Ridge regression uses L_2 penalty: minimize $\arg\min L_2^2(\hat{Y}, Y) + \lambda ||\beta||_2^2$
- Lasso regression uses L_1 penalty: minimize arg min $L_2^{\frac{7}{2}}(\hat{Y}, Y) + \lambda ||\beta||_1$
- ElasticNet regression uses both: minimize arg min $L_2^2(\hat{Y}, Y) + \lambda_1 ||\beta||_1 + \lambda_2 ||\beta||_2^2$

Model Capacity

- What contributes to overfitting?
 - Overfitting: little data, large model capacity, too many optimization steps
 - ▶ Underfitting: not enough optimization steps, too strict regularization

Bias-variance tradeoff

- Large bias corresponds to . . . ?
 - Underfitting/small model capacity
- Large variance corresponds to ...?
 - Overfitting

Assignment 2

• Any questions?