

4. Logistic Regression

Linear vs. Logistic Regression

- ① Linear regression is well suited when the response variable y is continuous.
- ② What about when y is discrete?
Example: y is binary (i) $y \in \{0, 1\}$
This is precisely handled by Logistic Regression.

Examples:

- ① Image/video: Face detection
(Person present / absent)
- ② Medical imaging: X-ray, CT scan, MRI scan
(Disease present / absent)

Logistic function

The Logistic function is given below.

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

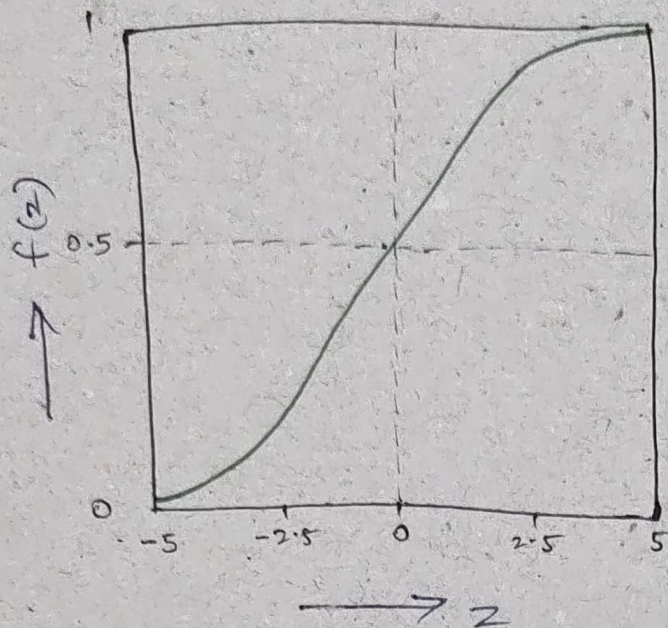
Also termed as the SIGMOID function.

Observe:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} = 0$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} = 1$$

Plot of Logistic function is below.



Probability

$$P(y=1|\bar{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\bar{x}^T \bar{\theta}}} = g(\alpha)$$

↑
feature
↑
inner product

$$P(y=0|\bar{x}) = 1 - P(y=1|\bar{x})$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\bar{x}^T \bar{\theta}}}$$

$$= \frac{1 + e^{-\bar{x}^T \bar{\theta}} - 1}{1 + e^{-\bar{x}^T \bar{\theta}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + e^{\bar{x}^T \bar{\theta}}}$$

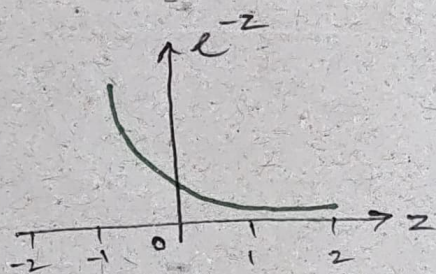
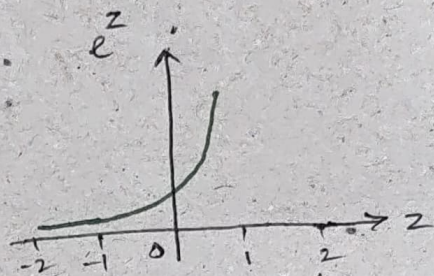
Note:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} e^z = \infty$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} e^z = 0$$

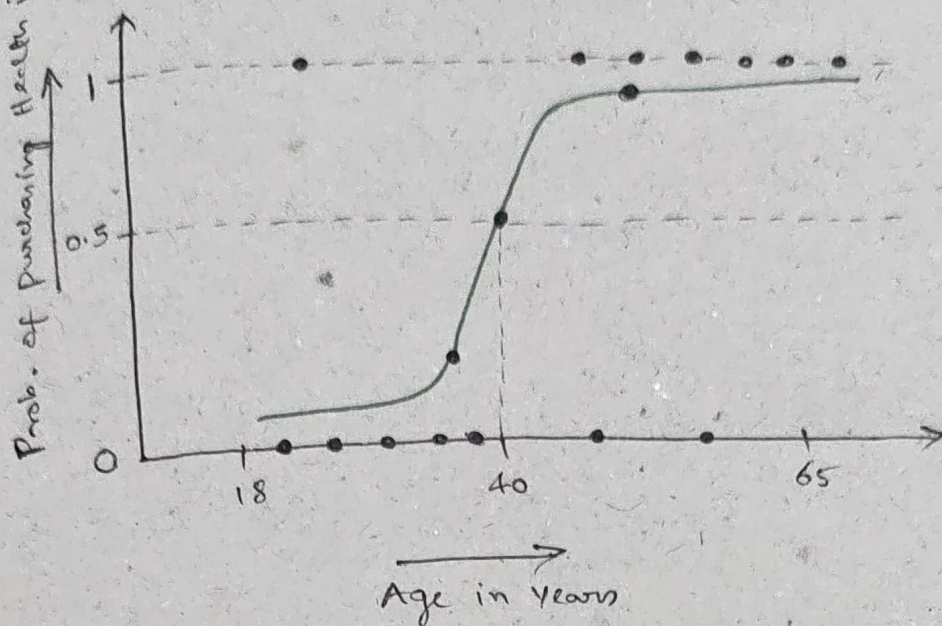
$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} e^{-z} = 0$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-z} = \infty$$



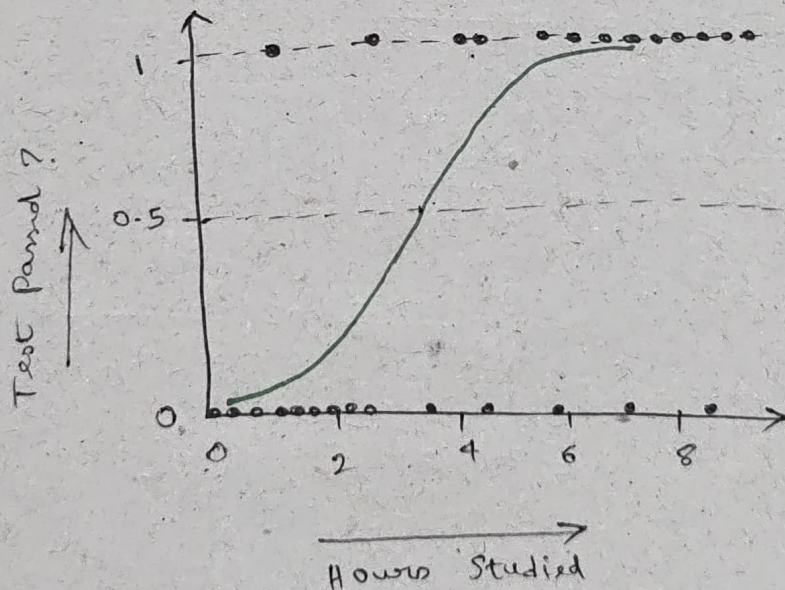
Examples :

(i) $P(\text{Health insurance} | \text{Age})$



- Probability < 0.5 signifies that people less than 40 years are not likely to purchase insurance.
- Threshold value 0.5 signifies that people having age more than 40 years are more likely to purchase insurance.
- Probability > 0.5 means, people older than 40 years are going to purchase health insurance.

(ii) $P(\text{Pass} | \text{Hours studied})$



How to determine the regression parameter \bar{h} in this case?

We use the Maximum Likelihood technique!

- ① The Likelihood (or) Joint probability of $(y(k), \bar{x}(k))$ can be written as

$$\left(g(\bar{x}(k))\right)^{y(k)} \left(1 - g(\bar{x}(k))\right)^{1-y(k)}$$

- ② The Joint likelihood of all outputs / responses is

$$L(\bar{h}) = \prod_{k=1}^M \left(g(\bar{x}(k))\right)^{y(k)} \left(1 - g(\bar{x}(k))\right)^{1-y(k)}$$

- ③ The Log likelihood is given as

$$\ln L(\bar{h}) = \ell(\bar{h})$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^M y(k) \ln g(\bar{x}(k)) + (1-y(k)) \ln(1 - g(\bar{x}(k)))$$

- ④ To maximize the log-likelihood, one can employ gradient ascent.

Logistic update rule

Note that $f(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$

$$\frac{d}{dz} f(z) = \frac{e^{-z}}{(1 + e^{-z})^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-z})} \times \frac{e^{-z}}{(1 + e^{-z})}$$

$$= f(z) (1 - f(z))$$

The gradient of the likelihood can be evaluated as follows.

$$\nabla_{\bar{\mathbf{h}}}(\ell) = \nabla \left(y(k) \ln g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)) + (1-y(k)) \ln (1-g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))) \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{d g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))} \left(y(k) \ln g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)) + (1-y(k)) \ln (1-g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))) \right)$$

$$\times \nabla_g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))$$

$$= \left(\frac{y(k)}{g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))} - \frac{(1-y(k))}{1-g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))} \right) \times \nabla_f(\bar{\mathbf{h}}^T \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))$$

$$= \left(\frac{y(k)}{g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))} - \frac{(1-y(k))}{1-g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))} \right)$$

$$\times f(\bar{\mathbf{h}}^T \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)) \times (1-f(\bar{\mathbf{h}}^T \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))) \times \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)$$

$$= \left(\frac{y(k)}{g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))} - \frac{(1-y(k))}{1-g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))} \right) g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))$$

$$\times (1-g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))) \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)$$

$$= (y(k) - g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k))) \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)$$

The Update equation is given as

$$\bar{\mathbf{h}}(k) = \bar{\mathbf{h}}(k-1) + \eta \nabla_{\bar{\mathbf{h}}}(\ell) \Big|_{\bar{\mathbf{h}} = \bar{\mathbf{h}}(k-1)}$$

$$= \bar{\mathbf{h}}(k-1) + \eta \left(y(k) - g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)) \Big|_{\bar{\mathbf{h}} = \bar{\mathbf{h}}(k-1)} \right) \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)$$

$$= \bar{\mathbf{h}}(k-1) + \eta \underline{e(k)} \bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)$$

$$e(k) = y(k) - g(\bar{\mathbf{x}}(k)) \Big|_{\bar{\mathbf{h}} = \bar{\mathbf{h}}(k-1)}$$

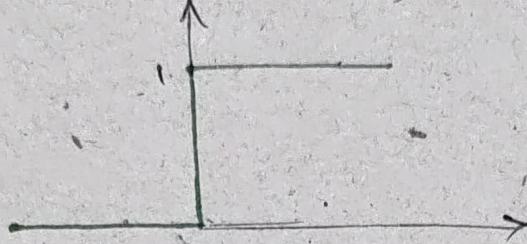
Observe this is similar to the LMS update rule!

Least Mean Square

In Perceptron Learning algorithm, g is given as the threshold function.

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \bar{h}^T \bar{x} \geq 0 \\ 0, & \bar{h}^T \bar{x} < 0 \end{cases}$$

unit step (threshold)



The update rule (iterative way of computing solution) is once again given as

$$\bar{h}(k) = \bar{h}(k-1) + \eta e(k) \bar{x}(k)$$

$$e(k) = \underbrace{y(k)}_{\text{Actual o/p}} - \underbrace{g(\bar{x}(k))}_{\text{Predicted o/p}} \Big|_{\bar{h} = \bar{h}(k-1)}$$

$$g(\bar{x}(k)) \Big|_{\bar{h} = \bar{h}(k-1)} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\bar{x}^T(k) \bar{h}(k-1)}}$$

This is termed as Perceptron Learning Algorithm.

It was proposed as a model for the neurons in the human brain.