Classification: basics

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OVERVIEW

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Binary Classification

Sensitivity and Specificity

Imagine a scenario where people are tested for a disease:

- ► The test outcome: positive (sick) or negative (healthy)
- ► The actual status: positive (sick) or negative (healthy)

There are four possible scenarios:

- ► True positive (TP): sick people correctly identified as sick
- ▶ False positive (FP) : healthy people incorrectly identified as sick
- ▶ True negative (TN): healthy people correctly identified as healthy
- ▶ False negative (FN): sick people incorrectly identified as healthy

	Test Outcome		
True outcome	Positive	Negative	Total
Positive	True Pos. (TP)	False Neg. (FN)	P
Negative	False Pos. (FP)	True Neg. (TN)	N
	P^*	N^*	

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Accuracy (1-Error):
$$(TP + TN)/(TP + TN + FP + FN)$$
.

Sensitivity (true positive rate/power/recall): the proportions of positives that are correctly identified

Sensitivity =
$$TP/P = TP/(TP + FN)$$

Specificity (true negative rate): the proportions of negative that are correctly identified

Specificity =
$$TN/N = TN/(FP + TN)$$

- ▶ False positive rate (Type I error): = 1 -Specificity.
- ▶ False negative rate (Type II error): = 1 − Sensitivity
- ▶ False discovery rate (FDR/precision): the proportion of predicted positives that are in fact false positives $FDR = FP/P^*$

example 1

	Predicted	
True	email	spam
email	573	40
spam	53	334

spam =presence of disease, email=absence of disease

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{specificity} &= 100 \times \frac{573}{573+40} = 93.4\% \\ \text{sensitivity} &= 100 \times \frac{334}{334+53} = 86.3\% \end{array}$$

example 2

Threshold A is chosen to balance sensitivity and specificity without leaning too heavily towards either.

True Positive (TP)	False Negative (FN)	
40	5	
False Positive (FP)	True Negative (TN)	
10	45	

With Threshold A, we have: - Sensitivity: 88.9% - Specificity: 81.8%

Threshold B (it has a lower criterion for a positive test result)—adjusted to make the test more sensitive to detecting the disease.

True Positive (TP)	False Negative (FN)	
45	0	
False Positive (FP)	True Negative (TN)	
20	35	

With Threshold B, we have: - Sensitivity: 100% - Specificity: 63.6%

Binary classification: problem

- ▶ input vector $X \in \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$
- ightharpoonup output $Y \in \{0,1\}$
- ▶ "hard classifier" $h: \mathcal{X} \longrightarrow \{0, 1\}$

The rule is characterized as

$$h(X) = 1(b(X) > 0)$$

where b is the boundary function (or discriminant function) that gives the decision boundary $\{x:b(x)=0\}$.

- ▶ If b(X) is a linear in X, then the classifier has a linear boundary (in X-space).
 - ▶ With transformed X included, the classifier can have a nonlinear boundary (in X-space).

Examples of linear boundary

Linear logit model:

Assume that the **logit function** is linear in x, i.e.,

$$b(x) = \log \frac{\Pr(Y = 1 \mid X = x)}{\Pr(Y = 0 \mid X = x)} = \beta_0 + \beta_1^{\top} x$$

Thus the classification boundary is given by $\{x: \beta_0 + \beta_1^\top x = 0\}$

Examples: LDA, Logistic regression (see later)

The classification error rate, of h is defined as

$$R(h) = E_{X,Y}(1(Y \neq h(X))) = P(Y \neq h(X))$$

The rule h that minimizes R(h) is

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m(x) > \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $m(x) = P(Y = 1 \mid X = x) = E(Y \mid X = x)$.

- ► This optimal rule is called the **Bayes rule (classifier)** (under equal costs).
- ▶ The risk $R(h^*)$ is called the **Bayes risk**.
- ▶ The set $\{x: m(x) \frac{1}{2} = 0\}$ is called the **Bayes decision** boundary.

Alternatively, the Bayes rule is h^* , is given by

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if} \quad P(Y=1 \mid X=x) > P(Y=0 \mid X=x) \\ 0 & \text{if} \quad P(Y=1 \mid X=x) < P(Y=0 \mid X=x) \end{cases}$$

The classification boundary of the Bayes rule is

$$\{x: P(Y = 1 \mid X = x) = P(Y = 0 \mid X = x)\}\$$
$$= \{x: P(Y = 1 \mid X = x) - 0.5 = 0\}$$

From Bayes' theorem

$$p(Y = 1 \mid X = x) = \frac{p(x \mid Y = 1)p(Y = 1)}{p(x \mid Y = 1)p(Y = 1) + p(x \mid Y = 0)p(Y = 0)}$$
$$= \frac{\pi_1 p_1(x)}{\pi_1 p_1(x) + (1 - \pi_1) p_0(x)}$$

- $\pi_1 = p(Y = 1), \pi_0 = p(Y = 0)$: the marginal distribution of Y (prior class probabilities)
- ▶ $p_j(x) = p(x \mid Y = j)$: the conditional density of X given that Y = j.

Thus the Bayes rule becomes

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \frac{p_1(x)}{p_0(x)} > \frac{\pi_0}{\pi_1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Unequal Losses

For any decision function, there are two possible errors:

- ▶ misclassifying a sample in class 0 to 1 (false positive)
- ▶ misclassifying a sample in class 1 to 0 (false negative)

Each type of error is associated with a cost (the price to pay for the consequence):

- \blacktriangleright L(1,0) is the cost of misclassifying a sample in class 1 to 0
- ightharpoonup L(0,1) is the cost of misclassifying a sample in class 0 to 1.

We assume L(j,j) = 0 for j = 0, 1; but it may not be L(0,1) = L(1,0).

The loss becomes

$$L(Y, h(X)) = L(1, 0)1(Y = 1, h(X) = 0) + L(0, 1)1(Y = 0, h(X) = 1)$$

For fixed x, the Bayes rule is given as

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } L(1,0)P(Y=1 \mid X=x) > L(0,1)P(Y=0 \mid X=x) \\ 0 & \text{if } L(1,0)P(Y=1 \mid X=x) < L(0,1)P(Y=0 \mid X=x) \end{cases}$$

Equivalently,

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } & \frac{P(Y=1|X=x)}{P(Y=0|X=x)} > \frac{L(0,1)}{L(1,0)} \\ 0 & \text{if } & \frac{P(Y=1|X=x)}{P(Y=0|X=x)} < \frac{L(0,1)}{L(1,0)} \end{cases}$$

the Bayes rule

$$h^*(x) = 1 \left\{ x : P(Y = 1 \mid X = x) > \frac{L(0,1)}{L(0,1) + L(1,0)} \right\}.$$

Using the Bayes' theorem,

- $\pi_1 = p(Y=1), \pi_0 = p(Y=0)$: the marginal distribution of Y (prior class probabilities)
- ▶ $p_j(x) = p(x \mid Y = j)$: the conditional density of X given that Y = j.

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } & \frac{p_1(x)}{p_0(x)} > \frac{\pi_0 L(0,1)}{\pi_1 L(1,0)} \\ 0 & \text{if } & \frac{p_1(x)}{p_0(x)} < \frac{\pi_0 L(0,1)}{\pi_1 L(1,0)} \end{cases}$$

By changing the weights for L_{01} and L_{10} , we can effectively change the classification threshold.

- $ightharpoonup L_{01}$ = the loss of predicting a "non-disease" example to "disease"
- $ightharpoonup L_{10}$ = the loss of predicting a "disease" example to "non-disease"

$$h^*(x) = 1 \left\{ x : P(Y = 1 \mid X = x) > \frac{L(0, 1)}{L(0, 1) + L(1, 0)} \right\}.$$

How to increase the sensitivity and decrease the specificity of the rule?

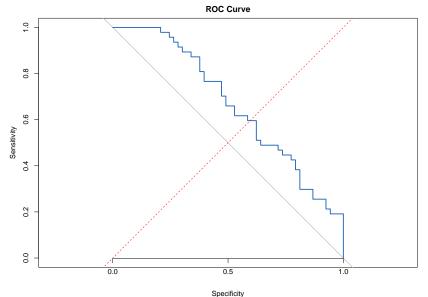
▶ Increase L_{10} and decrease L_{01} , say $L_{10} \gg L_{01}$.

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▶ Increase L_{01} and decrease L_{10} , say $L_{01} \gg L_{10}$.

ROC curve

The ROC curve is a plot of the sensitivity versus specificity:



Multi-class Classification

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- ightharpoonup Class label $Y \in \{1, \dots, K\}, K \geq 3$.
- ▶ The classifier $h : \mathbb{R}^d \longrightarrow \{1, \dots, K\}$.

The loss function $L(Y, h(X)) = \sum_{k=1}^{L} \sum_{l=1}^{K} C(l, k) I(Y = l, h(X) = k)$ where C(l, k) = cost of classifying a sample in class l to class k.

The classification risk, or error rate, of h is defined as

$$R(h) = E_{X,Y}(L(Y, h(X)))$$

Using the 0-1 loss, C(k, k) = 0 for any $k = 1, \dots, K$, but equal to 1 otherwise, the rule h that minimizes R(h) is

$$h^*(x) = \arg\max_{k=1,\dots,K} P(Y = k \mid x)$$

i.e., assign x to the most probable class using $P(Y \mid x)$.

We generally need to estimate multiple discriminant functions $\delta_k(x), k = 1, \dots, K$

- ▶ Each $\delta_k(x)$ is associated with class k.
- ▶ $\delta_k(x)$ represents the evidence strength of a sample (x, y) belonging to class k.

The decision rule constructed using δ_k 's is

$$\hat{h}(x) = k^*, \quad \text{ where } \quad k^* = \arg\max_{k=1,\dots,K} \delta_k(x)$$

The decision boundary of the classification rule \hat{h} between class k and class l is defined as

$$\{x:\delta_k(x)=\delta_l(x)\}$$

Note: $\delta_k(x)$ is related but need not be exact $P(Y = k \mid x)$.

LDA and QDA

Consider the binary classification

If
$$X \mid Y = 0 \sim N(\mu_0, \Sigma_0)$$
 and $X \mid Y = 1 \sim N(\mu_1, \Sigma_1)$,

Bayes rule is

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r_1^2 < r_0^2 + 2\log\left(\frac{\pi_1}{1-\pi_1}\right) + \log\left(\frac{|\Sigma_0|}{|\Sigma_1|}\right) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $r_i = \sqrt{(x - \mu_i)^\top \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - \mu_i)}$ for i = 0, 1 is the **Mahalanobis** distance between x and μ_i .

QDA

$$\log \frac{\Pr(Y=1 \mid X=x)}{\Pr(Y=0 \mid X=x)} = \log \frac{\pi_1 \phi(x; \boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \Sigma_1)}{\pi_0 \phi(x; \boldsymbol{\mu}_0, \Sigma_0)} = \delta_1(x) - \delta_0(x).$$

The Bayes rule is

$$h^*(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_{k \in \{0,1\}} \delta_k(x)$$

where

$$\delta_k(x) = -\frac{1}{2}\log|\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^{\top} \Sigma_k^{-1}(x - \mu_k) + \log \pi_k$$

This is called the Gaussian discriminant function

- ▶ The decision boundary: $\{x \in \mathcal{X} : \delta_1(x) = \delta_0(x)\}$
- ▶ quadratic discriminant analysis (QDA)

To estimate $\pi_0, \pi_1, \mu_0, \mu_1, \Sigma_0, \Sigma_1$:

$$\widehat{\pi}_{0} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1 - Y_{i}), \quad \widehat{\pi}_{1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_{i}$$

$$\widehat{\mu}_{0} = \frac{1}{n_{0}} \sum_{i:Y_{i}=0} X_{i}, \quad \widehat{\mu}_{1} = \frac{1}{n_{1}} \sum_{i:Y_{i}=1} X_{i}$$

$$\widehat{\Sigma}_{0} = \frac{1}{n_{0} - 1} \sum_{i:Y_{i}=0} (X_{i} - \widehat{\mu}_{0}) (X_{i} - \widehat{\mu}_{0})^{\top}$$

$$\widehat{\Sigma}_{1} = \frac{1}{n_{1} - 1} \sum_{i:Y_{i}=1} (X_{i} - \widehat{\mu}_{1}) (X_{i} - \widehat{\mu}_{1})^{\top}$$

LDA

LDA assumes both classes are from Gaussian and they have the same covariance matrix

$$\Sigma_k = \Sigma, \quad k = 0, 1$$

Note that

$$\log \Pr(Y = k \mid X = x) = -\frac{1}{2} (x - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} (x - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k) + \log \pi_k + \text{ const.}$$

If prior probabilities are same, the LDA classifies x to the class with centroid closest to x, using the squared Mahalanobis distance, based on the common covariance matrix.

Alternatively,

$$h^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \delta_1(x) > \delta_0(x) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where the discriminant function is simplified

$$\delta_k(x) = x^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k + \log \pi_k.$$

Pooled estimate of the Σ :

$$\widehat{\Sigma} = \frac{(n_0 - 1)\,\widehat{\Sigma}_0 + (n_1 - 1)\,\widehat{\Sigma}_1}{n_0 + n_1 - 2}$$

Multi-class classification

QDA assume that $X \mid Y = k \sim N(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$.

$$h^*(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_k \delta_k(x)$$

where

$$\delta_k(x) = -\frac{1}{2}\log|\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^{\top} \Sigma_k^{-1}(x - \mu_k) + \log \pi_k.$$

If all Gaussians assumed to have equal variance Σ ,

$$\delta_k(x) = x^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k + \log \pi_k.$$

The corresponding estimates are given by

$$\widehat{\pi}_{k} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} 1 (y_{i} = k), \quad \widehat{\mu}_{k} = \frac{1}{n_{k}} \sum_{i:Y_{i} = k} X_{i}$$

$$\widehat{\Sigma}_{k} = \frac{1}{n_{k} - 1} \sum_{i:Y_{i} = k} (X_{i} - \widehat{\mu}_{k}) (X_{i} - \widehat{\mu}_{k})^{\top}$$

$$\widehat{\Sigma} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{K-1} (n_{k} - 1)\widehat{\Sigma}_{k}}{n - K}.$$

Logistic Regression: binary case

Binary case

The logistic regression assumes that

$$p_1(x; \beta_0, \boldsymbol{\beta}_1) := P(Y = 1 \mid X = x) = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + x^{\top} \boldsymbol{\beta}_1)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + x^{\top} \boldsymbol{\beta}_1)}$$

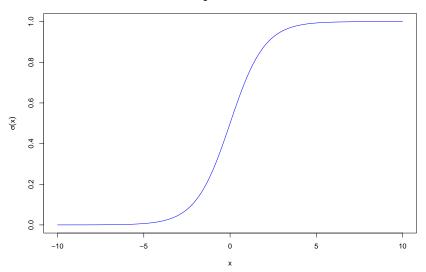
The model can be written as

$$logit(x) := logit(Pr(Y = 1 \mid X = x)) = log \frac{Pr(Y = 1 \mid X = x)}{Pr(Y = 0 \mid X = x)} = \beta_0 + \beta_1^{\top} x$$

- ▶ **logit function**: $logit(a) = log(a/(1-a)) : (0,1) \mapsto \mathbb{R}$
- ► The inverse of logit function (**logistic function** or **sigmoid function**):

$$\sigma(a) = \exp(a)/(1 + \exp(a)) : \mathbb{R} \mapsto (0, 1)$$

Sigmoid Function



MLE for logistic models

Notations: assuming x_i contains the constant term 1 (thus a p+1 vector).

$$\beta := \{\beta_0, \beta_1^\top\}^\top$$

$$\mathbf{y} := [y_1, \dots, y_n]^\top$$

$$\mathbf{p} := \mathbf{p}(\beta) = [p(x_1; \beta), \dots, p(x_n; \beta)]^\top$$

$$\mathbf{W} := \mathbf{W}(\beta) = \operatorname{diag} \{p(x_i; \beta)(1 - p(x_i; \beta))\} : n \times n$$

The log (conditional) likelihood function is

$$\ell(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{ y_i \log p(x_i; \beta) + (1 - y_i) \log [1 - p(x_i, \beta)] \}$$

The loss function, as negative loglikelihood function, is called ${\bf binomial}$ deviance (loss):

$$L\left(Y, p_{Y}(X)\right) = -\{1(Y=0)\log(\Pr(Y=0\mid X; \pmb{\theta})) + 1(Y=1)\log(\Pr(Y=1\mid X; \pmb{\theta}))\}$$

$$-\ell(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ y_i \log p\left(x_i; \boldsymbol{\beta}\right) + (1 - y_i) \log \left[1 - p\left(x_i, \boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right] \right\}$$
$$= -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^{\top} x_i - \log \left[1 + \exp\left(\boldsymbol{\beta}^{\top} x_i\right)\right] \right\}.$$

The score and Hessian are given by

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\partial (-\ell(\boldsymbol{\beta}))}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} \left[y_{i} - p\left(x_{i}; \boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \right] = -\mathbf{X}^{\top}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}) \\ &\frac{\partial^{2} (-\ell(\boldsymbol{\beta}))}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta} \partial \boldsymbol{\beta}^{\top}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} x_{i}^{\top} p\left(x_{i}; \boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \left[1 - p\left(x_{i}; \boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \right] = \mathbf{X}^{\top} \mathbf{W} \mathbf{X} \end{split}$$

Gradient descent step: In the k-th sep,

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k+1)} = \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} + \alpha \times \mathbf{X}^{\top} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}^{(k)})$$

Newton-Raphson step: In the k-th sep,

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k+1)} &= \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} + \left(\mathbf{X}^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{(k)} \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{\top} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}^{(k)}) \\ &= \left(\mathbf{X}^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{(k)} \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{(k)} \left(\mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} + \mathbf{W}^{(k)^{-1}} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}^{(k)}) \right) \\ &= \left(\mathbf{X}^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{(k)} \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{(k)} \mathbf{z}^{(k)} \end{split}$$

where we defined the adjusted response

$$\mathbf{z}^{(k)} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} + \mathbf{W}^{(k)^{-1}}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}^{(k)})$$

The Newton-Raphson's approach is equivalent to **Iteratively** Reweighted Least Squares Algorithm:

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k+1)} = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} (\mathbf{z}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{(k)} (\mathbf{z}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}).$$

Interpretation of β_j

$$e^{\beta_j} = \frac{\text{odds}(\dots, X_j = x + 1, \dots)}{\text{odds}(\dots, X_j = x, \dots)} = \text{odds ratio}$$

When an increase of X_j by one unit from x to x+1, while keeping all other predictors fixed, it multiplies the odds by e^{β_j} (relative change from the odds when $X_j = x$);

e.g.

- ▶ If $X_j = 0$ or 1, then for the group with $X_j = 1$, the odds of the event are e^{β_j} times that of the group with $X_j = 0$, with other values of X_{-j} fixed.
 - When $\beta_j > 0$, the group with $X_j = 1$ has $100(e^{\beta_j} 1)\%$ more odds than the group with $X_j = 0$, with other values of X_{-j} fixed.
 - ▶ When $\beta_j < 0$, then it is a decrease in the odds by $100(1 e^{\beta_j})\%$.

For intercept, e^{β_0} is the probability of the event for the base group when all X's = 0.

Inferences: logistic regression

Assuming correct model specification, by central limit theorem, the MLE estimator

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \to N\left(\boldsymbol{\beta}^*, \left(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^*)\mathbf{X}\right)^{-1}\right).$$

Here, $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ is the truth. The estimator for the variance of $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ is given by

$$v\hat{a}r(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \left(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{W}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})\mathbf{X}\right)^{-1}.$$

So as $n \to \infty$,

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{se(\hat{\beta}_j)} \sim N(0, 1),$$

where

$$se(\hat{\beta}_j) = \left[\left(\mathbf{X}' \mathbf{W} \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \right) \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1} \right]_{j,j}^{1/2}$$

Alternative formulation: logistic regression

Suppose that

$$Y_i = 1\{\beta_0 + X_i^{\top} \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 + \varepsilon_i\}$$

where ε_i is independent of X_i , following a logistic distribution (mean 0 and standard deviation $\pi/\sqrt{3}$), aka, the c.d.f. of ε_i given by

$$F(\epsilon) = \frac{exp(\epsilon)}{1 + exp(\epsilon)}.$$

Then

$$P(Y_i|X_i = x) = \frac{exp(\beta_0 + x^{\top}\boldsymbol{\beta}_1)}{1 + exp(\beta_0 + x^{\top}\boldsymbol{\beta}_1)}.$$

If important predictors are omitted from the model (model misspecified), the usual interpretation linking the coefficients to (true) log-odds will break down.

Logistic Regression: multi-class case, sparsity

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Suppose there are K groups. Let the K-th group be the base group. One may model $Pr(Y = k|x; \beta_0, \beta)$ as

$$Pr(Y = k|x; \boldsymbol{\beta}_0, \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \frac{\exp\left(x^{\top} \boldsymbol{\beta}_k + \beta_{k0}\right)}{\sum_{k'=1}^{K} \exp\left(x^{\top} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{k'} + \beta_{k'0}\right)}$$

- $\triangleright \beta_0 := (\beta_{10}, \dots, \beta_{K0})$ the vector of K intercepts.
- $\beta := (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_K)^{\top}$, a K by p matrix.
- $\mathbf{\eta} := \boldsymbol{\beta} x + \boldsymbol{\beta}_0$ the vector of K logits

The **S** is the **softmax function** $\mathbb{R}^K \mapsto (0,1)^K$, defined as

$$\mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\eta})_k = \frac{e^{\eta_k}}{\sum_{k'}^K e^{\eta_{k'}}}, \quad k = 1, \dots, K; \quad \boldsymbol{\eta} = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_K)^{\top}$$

$$Pr(Y = k|x; \boldsymbol{\beta}_0, \boldsymbol{\beta}) := Pr(Y = k|\boldsymbol{\eta}) = \mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\eta})_k$$

The multi-class logistic regression (or multinomial logistic regression) models K-1 logits:

- ▶ set $\beta_{K0} = 0, \beta_K = 0$ to avoid overparametrization.
- \triangleright treat K as the base group

$$\log \frac{\Pr(Y = 1 \mid X = x)}{\Pr(Y = K \mid X = x)} = \beta_{10} + \beta_1^{\top} x$$
$$\log \frac{\Pr(Y = 2 \mid X = x)}{\Pr(Y = K \mid X = x)} = \beta_{20} + \beta_2^{\top} x$$
$$\log \frac{\Pr(Y = K - 1 \mid X = x)}{\Pr(Y = K \mid X = x)} = \beta_{(K-1)0} + \beta_{K-1}^{\top} x$$

Equivalently,

$$p_k(x) \equiv \Pr(Y = k \mid x) = \frac{\exp(\beta_{k0} + \beta_k^{\top} x)}{1 + \sum_{l=1}^{K-1} \exp(\beta_{l0} + \beta_l^{\top} x)} \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, K-1$$

$$p_K(x) \equiv \Pr(Y = K \mid x) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{l=1}^{K-1} \exp(\beta_{l0} + \beta_l^{\top} x)}$$

Clearly $\sum_{k=1}^{K} p_k(x) = 1$. The parameter vector

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \left\{ \beta_{10}, \boldsymbol{\beta}_1^{\top}, \dots, \beta_{(K-1)0}, \boldsymbol{\beta}_{K-1}^{\top} \right\}^{\top}$$

Let
$$p_{k,i} := Pr(Y_i = k | X = x_i, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$
 and $p_{y_i}(x_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = Pr(Y_i = y_i | X = x_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}).$

$$\ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log p_{y_i}(x_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \log \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \prod_{k=1}^{K} p_{k,i}^{1(y_i = k)} \right)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{k=1}^{K} 1(y_i = k) \log(p_{k,i})$$

Since $\beta_{K0} := 0$ and $\beta_K := 0$, the log-likelihood:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \beta_{y_{i}0} + \beta_{y_{i}}^{\top} x_{i} - \log \left[1 + \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} \exp \left(\beta_{k0} + \beta_{k}^{\top} x_{i} \right) \right] \right\}$$

The loss function, as negative loglikelihood function, is called **multinomial deviance** (loss):

$$L(Y, p_Y(X)) = -\log p_Y(X; \theta) = -\sum_{k=1}^{K} 1(Y = k) \log(Pr(Y = k|X; \theta)).$$

Compare logistic regression with LDA

Logistic regression:

- Maximizing the conditional likelihood, the multinomial likelihood with probabilities $Pr(Y = k \mid \mathbf{X})$
- ightharpoonup The marginal density Pr(X) is ignored (fully nonparametric)
 - **discriminative approach**: only modelling $Pr(Y = k \mid x)$

LDA:

Maximizing the full log-likelihood based on the joint density

$$\Pr(X, Y = k) = \phi(X; \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \Sigma) \pi_k$$

- ▶ Marginal density does play a role $\Pr(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{k} \pi_{k} \phi(X; \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k}, \Sigma)$
 - **generative approach**: joint modelling of Pr(X, Y = k); also modelling $Pr(x \mid Y = k)$

Regularized logistic regression

The idea is to minimize the penalized negative likelihood function (binary response):

$$\min_{\beta_0, \boldsymbol{\beta}_1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(-y_i \left(\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 \right) + \log \left(1 + e^{\beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}_1} \right) \right) + \lambda J(\boldsymbol{\beta}_1)$$

The update is equivalent to solving the weighted LS till convergence (Iteratively Reweighted Least Squares Algorithm):

$$(\beta_0^{(k+1)}, \boldsymbol{\beta_1}^{(k+1)}) = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \left\{ (\mathbf{z}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})^\top \mathbf{W}^{(k)} (\mathbf{z}^{(k)} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}) + \lambda J(\boldsymbol{\beta}_1) \right\}.$$

For the Lasso penalty, it can be solved using coodinate descent.

Sparse logistic regression

Algorithm (Coordinate descent for sparse logistic regression):

Let
$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{(0)} = (\hat{\beta}_0^{(0)}, \hat{\beta}_1^{(0)}, \dots, \hat{\beta}_p^{(0)})^T$$

For $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,

P Compute $p_1(x_i; \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{(k)}), z_i^{(k)}, w_{ii}^{(k)}, i = 1, \dots, n$.

Let $\beta_0 = \sum_i [w_{ii}^{(k)}(z_i^{(k)} - \sum_{l=1}^p \hat{\beta}_l^{(k)}x_{il})]/\sum_i w_{ii}^{(k)}, \quad \beta_l = \hat{\beta}_l^{(k)}, l = 1, \dots, p$.

P for $j = 1, \dots, p$ do

Compute $r_{ij} = z_i^{(k)} - \beta_0 - \sum_{l \neq j} \beta_l x_{il}, i = 1, \dots, n$

Compute $u_j^{(k)} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_{ii}^{(k)} r_{ij} x_{ij}, \dots, n$

Compute $v_j^{(k)} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_{ii}^{(k)} x_{ij}^2, \dots, n$

Compute $\beta_j = \operatorname{soft}(u_j^{(k)}/v_j^{(k)}, \lambda/v_j^{(k)})$

P $\hat{\beta}_0^{(k+1)} = \beta_0, \hat{\beta}_j^{(k+1)} = \beta_j, j = 1, \dots, p$

until convergence

Others: nonparametric classifier, robust loss, viewpoint from perceptrons

KNN

For any given $X = x_0$, we find the K closest neighbors to $X = x_0$ in the training data, and examine their corresponding Y:

$$P(Y = j \mid X = x_0) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i \in N_K(x_0)} 1(y_i = j)$$

Estimate the conditional probability for group j by the proportion out of the k neighbors that are in group j.

The smaller that K is the more flexible the method will be.

Note: more on nonparametric method (e.g., nonparametric logistic regression) in future lessons.

Others: Alternative loss functions

For binary classification,

$$\min_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\pm 1}} \mathcal{E}_{X,Y}(1(Y \neq f(X)))$$

where $\mathcal{F}_{\pm 1}$ consists of function that maps to $\{-1,1\}$.

The ERM solution is

$$\hat{f}_n = \arg\min_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\pm 1}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n 1(y_i \neq f(x_i))$$

- ▶ the choice of $\mathcal{F}_{\pm 1}$: hard-classifier $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\pm 1}$
 - \triangleright perceptron: $\mathcal{F}_{\pm 1} = \{ \operatorname{sign}(\beta_0 + \boldsymbol{\beta}^\top x) : \beta_0, \boldsymbol{\beta} \}$

Equivalent formulation, but using $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$,

$$\hat{f}_n = \arg\min_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\pm 1}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n 1(-y_i f(x_i) > 0)$$

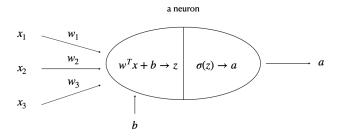
Using some smooth and convex surrogate function $\psi(z)$ for 1(z > 0) and relaxing the class of functions \mathcal{F} , solve

$$\hat{f}_n = \arg\min_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i, f(x_i)) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi(-y_i f(x_i))$$

- ightharpoonup Choice of L(y, f):
 - Squared error: $(y-f)^2 = (1-yf)^2$
 - ▶ Binomial deviance (logistic): log(1 + exp(-2yf))
 - ightharpoonup Exponential loss: $\exp(-yf)$
 - \triangleright SVM loss: $(1-yf)_+$
- ▶ Choice of \mathcal{F} : soft-classifier $f \in [-1, 1]$ or \mathbb{R}
 - decision: $\hat{Y}_i = \operatorname{sign}(\hat{f}_n(X_i))$

More in future lessons...

Rosenblatt's Perceptron



input layer

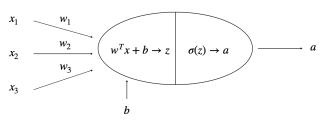
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Here, $\sigma(\cdot)$ is an activation function: three simplest cases

- i. identity $\sigma(v) = v$
- ii. indicator (Heaviside step) $\sigma(v) = 1(v > 0)$
- iii. sigmoid $\sigma(v) = 1/(1 + e^{-v})$

The output \hat{a} will be measured against the actual outcome value with suitable choice of loss function.

a neuron



input layer

first hidden layer

Formally,

$$\sigma\left(\sum_{j=1}^p x_j w_j + b'\right) = \sigma\left(\boldsymbol{x}^{\top} \mathbf{w} + b\right), \qquad \boldsymbol{\beta} := (\boldsymbol{w}, b)$$

Note: OLS in regression is a special case when $\sigma(\cdot)$ is identity function and squared error loss (see Adaline).

The Perceptron Learning Algorithm.

let β include the b, x includes the intercept, $\alpha > 0$ small constant (learning rate). Start with random weight, then iteratively update the weight

- ▶ For k = 1, 2, ..., K:
 - for each $i = 1, \ldots, n$:
 - ightharpoonup compute $\hat{y}_i^{(k)} = 1 \left(\boldsymbol{x}_i^{\top} \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} > 0 \right)$ (Heaviside)
 - ightharpoonup compute $e_i^{(k)} = y_i \hat{y}_i^{(k)}$
 - update $\beta^{(k+1)} = \beta^{(k)} + \alpha \times e_i^{(k)} \times x_i$

A loop over the whole training data for each k is called a **training epoch**; the whole process repeats the loops for K epochs.

A training algorithm that updates the parameter after seeing one example is called **on-line training** (stochastic gradient descent).

Compared with logistic regression

Recall logistic regression, the update at the k-th iteration

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k+1)} = \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} + \alpha \times \mathbf{X}^{\top} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{p}^{(k)})$$

The **on-line training** process is

- For k = 1, 2, ..., K:
 - ightharpoonup for each $i=1,\ldots,n$:
 - compute $\hat{y}_i^{(k)} = p(x_i; \beta^{(k)})$ (sigmoid) compute $e_i^{(k)} = y_i \hat{y}_i^{(k)}$

 - $\beta^{(k+1)} = \beta^{(k)} + \alpha \times e_i^{(k)} \times x_i$

Note

- ▶ Perceptron uses hard-classifier, while logistic uses soft-classifier
- Perceptron algorithm does not converge if the data is not linearly separable
- ► SGD (WNLS) for logistic regression converges to global minimum of the binary entropy loss function (even when the data is not linearly separable)

Adaline (ADAptive LInear NEuron)/OLS

Adaline for classification is a special case when $\sigma(\cdot)$ is identity function and the loss is squared error loss.

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{a}_i - y_i)^2, \qquad \hat{a}_i = \boldsymbol{x}_i^{\top} \hat{\beta}$$

It can be implemented using gradient descent for OLS.

$$\triangleright \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k+1)} = \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} + \alpha \times 2(y_i - \boldsymbol{x}_i^{\top} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{(k)}) \times \boldsymbol{x}_i$$

As a byproduct, the Adaline classifies based on the hard rule

$$\hat{y}_i = 1 \left(\boldsymbol{x}_i^{\top} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} > 0.5 \right)$$

A major difference from Rosenblatt's Perceptron is that

- - ▶ That is, the hard-classification step is not backpropagated.