

1 Basics

$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}$, $\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \sigma)$
 $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^d \det \Sigma}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)}$, $\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma)$
 $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$, $Y = A + BX \Rightarrow Y \sim \mathcal{N}(A + B\mu, B\Sigma B^T)$
 $\log(\mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma)) = \frac{1}{2} \log|\Sigma^{-1}| - \frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu) + \text{const} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \log \mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma)}{\mu} = \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)$, $\frac{\partial \log \mathcal{N}(x|\mu, \Sigma)}{\Sigma^{-1}} = \frac{1}{2} \Sigma - \frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)(x-\mu)^T$
f(x) on a: $f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \dots$
 $p\left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$, $p(a_2|a_1) = \mathcal{N}(u_2 + \Sigma_{21}\Sigma_{11}^{-1}(a_1 - u_1), \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{21}\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12})$
• $\text{Var}[X] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (x-\mu)^2 p(x) dx$
• $\text{Var}[aX] = a^2 \text{Var}[X]$
• $\text{Var}[X] = E[(X - E[X])^2] = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$
• $\text{Var}[X+Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y] + 2\text{Cov}[X, Y]$
• $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$
• $\text{Cov}[aX, bY] = ab\text{Cov}[X, Y]$ • $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{x}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{b}$ • $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}) = 2\mathbf{x}$
• $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{A})\mathbf{x} \stackrel{\text{A sym.}}{=} 2\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$
• $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$ • $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{c} \mathbf{b}^T$
• $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{b} \mathbf{c}^T$ • $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}}(\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2) = \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2}$
• $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}) = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}) = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}^T)$
• $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{B}^T$ • $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{A}} \log|\mathbf{A}| = \mathbf{A}^{-T}$
• $\text{sigmoid}(x) = \sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)}$
• $\forall \text{sigmoid}(x) = \text{sigmoid}(x)(1 - \text{sigmoid}(x))$
• $CE(y, \hat{y}) = -(y \log \hat{y} + (1-y) \log(1-\hat{y}))$

2 Anomaly Detection

Dimensionality Reduction: Simpler case: $d = 1$ ($\pi : \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$); Assume $\pi(X) = u_1 X$ with $\|u_1\|^2 = 1$: Mean of proj. data: $u_1^T \bar{X}$ ($\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x \in X} x$); Variance of proj. data: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \leq n} (u_1^T \bar{X} - u_1^T x_i)^2 = u_1^T \text{Cov}(X) u_1 := u_1^T S u_1$
Objective: $\max_{u_1 \in \mathbb{R}^D} u_1^T S u_1$ s.t. $\|u_1\|^2 = 1$
Lagrangian: $\mathcal{L}(u_1) = u_1^T S u_1 + \lambda(1 - u_1^T u_1)$;
 $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial u_1} = 0 \Rightarrow S u_1 = \lambda u_1$; $u_1^* S u_1^* = \lambda$
GMM: $\max_{\pi_k, \mu_k, \Sigma_k} \log(p(x)) = \log(\sum_k \pi_k \mathcal{N}(x|\mu_k, \Sigma_k))$ s.t. $\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k = 1$, Σ_k is p.d.; $\log p_\theta(X) = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q}[\log p_\theta(X)] = \mathbb{E}_z[\log p_\theta(X, z)] - \mathbb{E}_z[\log q(z)] + \mathbb{E}_z[\log(\frac{q(z)}{p_\theta(z|X)})] := M(q, \theta) + E(q, \theta)$ (intractable).
EM: Properties: 1) $E(q, \theta) \geq 0$, $M(q, \theta) \leq \log p_\theta(X)$ 2) $E(q^*, \theta) = 0$ for $q^* = \min_q E(q, \theta) = p_\theta(z|X)$, $M(q^*, \theta) = \log p_\theta(X)$

3) $\log p_\theta(X) = M(q, \theta) + E(q, \theta) = M(q^*, \theta) + 0 = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q^*}[\log p_\theta(X, z)] - \mathbb{E}_{z \sim q^*}[\log q(z)] \leq \max_\theta M(q^*, \theta)$; E-step: $q_i^* = \min_q E(q, \theta^i)$; M-step: $\theta^{(t+1)} = \max_\theta M(q_i^*, \theta)$
3 Density Estimation
Fisher Info & Cramér–Rao Bound: $E_X[(\theta - \hat{\theta})^2] \geq \frac{(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \text{bias}(\hat{\theta}) + 1)^2}{I_n(\theta)} + \text{bias}^2(\hat{\theta})$, where $I_n(\theta) = n I_1(\theta) = \mathbb{E}[(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log p(x|\theta))^2] = \mathbb{E}[\Lambda^2]$, $\Lambda := \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} p(x|\theta)}{p(x|\theta)}$; Properties: 1) $\mathbb{E}_X[\Lambda] = \int p(X|\theta) \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} p(x|\theta)}{p(x|\theta)} dX = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int p(X|\theta) dX = 0$ 2) $\mathbb{E}_X[\Lambda \hat{\theta}] = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int p(X|\theta) \hat{\theta}(X) dX = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \mathbb{E}_X[\hat{\theta}] = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \text{bias}(\hat{\theta}) + 1$
Proof: $\text{Cov}(\Lambda, \hat{\theta}) = \mathbb{E}_X[(\Lambda - \mathbb{E}_X[\Lambda])(\hat{\theta} - \mathbb{E}_X[\hat{\theta}])] = \mathbb{E}[\Lambda \hat{\theta}] - \mathbb{E}[\Lambda] \mathbb{E}[\hat{\theta}] = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \text{bias}(\hat{\theta}) + 1$
 $\text{Cov}(\Lambda, \hat{\theta})^2 \leq \mathbb{E}_X[(\Lambda - \mathbb{E}_X[\Lambda])^2] \mathbb{E}_X[(\hat{\theta} - \mathbb{E}_X[\hat{\theta}])^2] = \mathbb{E}_X[\Lambda^2] \mathbb{E}_X[(\hat{\theta} - \theta - \mathbb{E}[\hat{\theta}] + \theta)^2] = \mathbb{E}[\Lambda^2](\mathbb{E}[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] - \text{bias}^2(\hat{\theta}))$
Approaches: Frequentism (MLE): Desiderata, asymptotically unbiased but large variance (out-performed by biased estimators, e.g. shrinked estimators and Stein's). Frequentism fulfills the desiderata: 1) Asymptotic Efficiency: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] = \frac{1}{I_n(\theta)}$ 2) Consistency $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(|\hat{\theta}_n - \theta| > \epsilon) = 0, \forall \epsilon > 0$ 3) Asymptotic Normality $\hat{\theta}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(\theta, \sigma^2), \sigma > 0$
Bayesianism: Prior induces a regularization effect that raises the bias but decreases the variance; To avoid intractability issues, use conjugate priors.
Statistical Learning: tractable with low bias and variance, but hard to select model.
Logistic Regression, Frequentism: $\mathbb{E}[y|X = x, \hat{\theta}] = p(y = 1|X = x, \hat{\theta}) = \frac{p(X=x|y=1, \hat{\theta}) p(y=1|\hat{\theta})}{p(X=x|y=1, \hat{\theta}) p(y=1|\hat{\theta}) + p(X=x|y=0, \hat{\theta}) p(y=0|\hat{\theta})} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{p(X=x|y=0, \hat{\theta})}{p(X=x|y=1, \hat{\theta})}} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-w^T x + w_0)} = \sigma(w^T x + w_0)$
LR, Bayesianism: Prior: $p(w) = \mathcal{N}(w|m_0, S_0) = \mathcal{N}(w|0, \alpha I)$; Likelihood: $p(X, y|w) = \prod_i \sigma(x_i^T w)^{y_i} (1 - \sigma(x_i^T w))^{1-y_i}$; intractable
Approximate by Laplace's Method: $p(w|x, y) = \frac{p(w, x, y)}{p(x, y)} \propto \exp(-(-\log p(w, x, y))) := \exp(-(R(w)))$; $R(w) \approx R(w^*) + (w - w^*)^T \nabla R(w^*) + \frac{1}{2}(w - w^*)^T H_R(w - w^*)$, with $w^* = \min_w R(w) \Rightarrow p(w|x, y) \approx \mathcal{N}(w|w^*, H_R^{-1}(w^*))$
LR, Statistical Learning: Model: $\mathcal{H} = \{f|f :$

$\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0, 1], f(x) = \sigma(w^T x)$
Loss function: $\mathcal{L}(y, f(x)) = -\log p_{f(x)}(y)$;
Expected loss: $\mathbb{E}_{X, y \sim p^*}[\mathcal{L}(y, f(X))] = \mathbb{E}_X \mathbb{E}_{y|X}[-\log p_{f(x)}(y)]$; Empirical loss: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i \leq n} (-y_i \log \sigma(w^T x_i) - (1-y_i) \log(1 - \sigma(w^T x_i)))$ (same as frequentist approach)
BIC: for $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\}$, $\mathcal{H}_S = \{f : \mathbb{R}^{|S|} \rightarrow [0, 1]\}$;
When $p(w) = \mathcal{N}(w|m_0, \alpha_0 I)$ (for large α_0), $\log p(x, y) \approx \log p(w^*) + \log(x, y|w^*) - \frac{|S|}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \log|H_R| \approx \text{const} - \frac{1}{2}(|S| \log n - 2 \log p(x, y|w^*))$;
Lower BIC, better model.
4 Regression
Linear Regression: $RSS(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2 = (y - X\beta)^T (y - X\beta) \Rightarrow \hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$
Prove $\hat{\beta}$ is unbiased: $\hat{\theta} := a^T \hat{\beta}$, $\mathbb{E}_\epsilon[\hat{\theta}] = \mathbb{E}_\epsilon[a^T (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y] = a^T (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbb{E}_\epsilon[y] = a^T (X^T X)^{-1} X^T (X\beta + \mathbb{E}_\epsilon[\epsilon]) = a^T \beta$
Alternative unbiased estimator: $\tilde{\theta} = c^T y = a^T \hat{\beta} + a^T D y = a^T \beta + a^T D X \beta = a^T \beta$; $a^T D X = 0$
Gauss Markov Theorem: $\forall \tilde{\theta} = c^T y$ unbiased for $a^T \hat{\beta}$, $\mathbb{V}(a^T \hat{\beta}) \leq \mathbb{V}(c^T y)$; Proof: $\mathbb{V}(c^T y) = \mathbb{E}[(c^T y)^2] - \mathbb{E}[c^T y]^2 = c^T (\mathbb{E}[y y^T] - \mathbb{E}[y] \mathbb{E}[y]^T) c = \sigma^2 c^T c = \sigma^2 (a^T (X^T X)^{-1} a + a^T D D^T a) = \mathbb{V}(a^T \hat{\beta}) + \sigma^2 a^T D D^T a$
Bias-variance Tradeoff: $\mathbb{E}_D \mathbb{E}_{Y|X=x}(\hat{f}(x) - Y)^2 = \mathbb{E}_D(\hat{f}(x) - \mathbb{E}(Y|X=x))^2 + \mathbb{E}(Y - \mathbb{E}(Y|X=x))^2 = \mathbb{E}_D(\hat{f}(x) - \mathbb{E}_D \hat{f}(x))^2 + (\mathbb{E}_D \hat{f}(x) - \mathbb{E}(Y|X=x))^2 + \mathbb{E}(Y - \mathbb{E}(Y|X=x))^2 = \text{var} + \text{bias}^2 + \text{noise}$
Regularization: Can be viewed as MAP estimation with a prior. Ridge: $\beta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{\sigma^2}{\lambda I})$; Laplace: $p(\beta_i) = \frac{\lambda}{4\sigma^2} \exp(-|\beta_i| \frac{\lambda}{2\sigma^2})$ (Laplace, no closed-form solution since l_1 norm is not differentiable, more sparse estimations since the gradient of regularization does not shrink as Ridge)
Bayesian LR: Assume $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 I)$, $\beta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Lambda^{-1})$, $p(\beta|Y, X, \sigma^2, \Lambda) = \mathcal{N}((X^T X + \sigma^2 \Lambda)^{-1} X^T Y, \sigma^2 (X^T X + \sigma^2 \Lambda)^{-1})$
Bayesian LR is a special case of Gaussian Processes with linear kernel $k(x, x') = x^T \Lambda^{-1} x'$
5 Gaussian Processes
Prediction with GP: $p(y_{n+1}|x_{n+1}, X, y) = \mathcal{N}(k(x_{n+1}, X)^T (k(X, X) + \sigma^2 I)^{-1} y, k(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + \sigma^2 - k(x_{n+1}, X)^T (k(X, X) + \sigma^2 I)^{-1} k(x_{n+1}, X))$
Kernels: Properties: 1) $k(x, x') = k(x', x)$ 2) $x^T K x \geq 0 \forall x$ 3) $k(x, x') = \phi(x)\phi(x')$; Composition: addition, multiplication, scaling, $k(x, x') = f(k_1(x, x')) = f(x)k_1(x, x')f(x')$ for positive polynomial or exponential f ; Con-

structions: 1) $k(x, x') = k_1(x, x') + k_2(x, x')$, Proof: \exists symmetric gram matrices K_1, K_2 s.t. $x^T K_1 x, x^T K_2 x \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^T K x = x^T (K_1 + K_2) x \geq 0$
2) $k(x, x') = k_1(x, x')k_2(x, x')$, Proof: $k_1(x, x')k_2(x, x') = \Sigma_{i,j}(f_i(x)g_j(x))(f_i(x')g_j(x')) = \Sigma_{i,j}h_{i,j}(x)h_{i,j}(x') = \phi(x)\phi(x')$
3) $k(x, x') = \exp(k_1(x, x'))$, Proof: $\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{k_1(x, x')^i}{i!} \rightarrow k(x, x')$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$
4) RBF: $k(x, x') = \exp(-\frac{1}{2\gamma^2} \|x - x'\|_2^2) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2\gamma^2} \|x\|_2^2) \exp(\frac{1}{\gamma^2} x^T x') \exp(-\frac{1}{2\gamma^2} \|x'\|_2^2)$ (larger bandwidth $\gamma \rightarrow$ smoother curves)
6 Ensemble Methods
Bagging: $\mathbb{E}[(y - b^{(M)}(x))^2] = \text{bias}^2(b^{(M)}(x)) + \text{var}(b^{(M)}(x)) = \text{bias}^2(b(x)) + \frac{1}{M} \text{var}(b(x)) \leq \mathbb{E}[(y - b(x))^2]$; Random Forests chooses m random features at each splitting step (i.d. base models). Randomized feature selection induces implicit regularization; no overfitting
AdaBoost: $b^{(0)} = 0, w_i^{(0)} = \frac{1}{n}$; 1) $b^{(t)} = \min_\beta \Sigma_i w_i^{(t)} \mathbb{I}\{b(x_i) \neq y_i\}$ 2) Evaluate err_t 3) $\tilde{a}_t = \frac{1}{2} \log(\frac{1 - err_t}{err_t})$, $b^{(t)} = b^{(t-1)} + \tilde{a}_t b^{(t)}$ 4) $w_i^{(t+1)} = w_i^{(t)} \exp(-\tilde{a}_t y_i b^{(t)})$ 5) Renormalize $w_i^{(t+1)}$; Output $\sum(\tilde{a}_i b^i(x))$
Forward stagewise additive modeling: Proof of 3): $\mathbb{E}[f(x)] := \mathbb{E}[\exp(-y f(x))] = P(Y = 1|X = x) \exp(-f(x)) + P(Y = -1|X = x) \exp(f(x))$
 $\frac{\partial \mathbb{E}[f(x)]}{\partial f(x)} = 0 \Rightarrow f^*(x) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{P(Y=1|X=x)}{P(Y=-1|X=x)}$;
Proof of 1): $\min_{\alpha > 0, b \in \mathcal{H}} \sum_i \mathcal{L}(y_i, \alpha b(x_i)) + f_{t-1}(x_i) = \min_{\alpha, b} \sum_i w_i^{(t)} \exp(-\alpha y_i b(x_i)) = \min_{\alpha, b} \sum_{i, y_i \neq b(x_i)} w_i^{(t)} e^\alpha + (\sum_i w_i^{(t)} e^{-\alpha} - \sum_{i, y_i \neq b(x_i)} w_i^{(t)} e^{-\alpha}) ; w_i^{(t)} = \exp(-y_i f_{t-1}(x_i))$
Gradient Boosting: $\hat{f}_0(x) = \min_{\eta} \Sigma_{i=1}^n (y_i - h(x_i))^2$; 1) $g_t(x_i) = [\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(y_i, f(x_i))}{\partial f(x_i)}]_{f=f_{t-1}(x_i)}$ 2) $h_t = \min_{\eta} \Sigma_i (-g_t(x_i) - h(x_i))$ 3) $\beta_t = \min_{\beta} \Sigma_i \mathcal{L}(y_i, \hat{f}_{t-1}(x_i) + \beta h_t(x_i))$ 4) $\hat{f}_t(x) = \hat{f}_{t-1} + \beta_t h_t(x)$; Output \hat{f} ;
7 Convex Optimization & SVMs
Duality: Primal: $\min_\omega f(\omega)$ s.t. $g_i(\omega) = 0$ and $h_j(\omega) \leq 0$ Dual: $\max_{\lambda, \alpha} \theta(\lambda, \alpha)$ s.t. $\alpha_j \geq 0$
Weak duality: $\theta(\lambda, \alpha) = \inf_{\omega \in \mathbb{R}^d} \mathcal{L}(\omega, \lambda, \alpha \geq 0) \leq \mathcal{L}(\omega^*, \lambda, \alpha) = f(\omega^*) + \sum_i \lambda_i g_i(\omega^*) (= 0) + \sum_j \alpha_j h_j(\omega^*) (\leq 0) \leq f(\omega^*)$
Slater's condition (check if strong duality holds): $\exists \omega$ s.t. $g_i(\omega) = 0, h_i(\omega) < 0 \forall i, j$
Strong Duality (if Slater's holds, convex f , non-

