1. Consider a noisy target  $y = \mathbf{w}_f^T \mathbf{x} + \epsilon$ , where  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  (with the added coordinate  $x_0 = 1$ ),  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_f$  is an unknown vector, and  $\epsilon$  is a noise term with zero mean and  $\sigma^2$  variance. Assume  $\epsilon$  is independent of  $\mathbf{x}$  and of all other  $\epsilon$ 's. If linear regression is carried out using a training data set  $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, y_N)\}$ , and outputs the parameter vector  $\mathbf{w}_{\text{lin}}$ , it can be shown that the expected in-sample error  $E_{\text{in}}$  with respect to  $\mathcal{D}$  is given by:

10 points

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}}[E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}_{\text{lin}})] = \sigma^2 \left(1 - \frac{d+1}{N}\right)$$

For  $\sigma=0.1$  and d=8, which among the following choices is the smallest number of examples N that will result in an expected  $E_{\rm in}$  greater than 0.008?

- **10**
- O 25
- 100
- 500
- 1000
- 2. Recall that we have introduced the hat matrix  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T$  in class, where  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times (d+1)}$  containing N examples with d features. Assume  $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}$  is invertible and N > d+1, which statement of  $\mathbf{H}$  is true?

- H is always invertible.
- $\bigcirc$  (d+1) eigenvalues of H are bigger than 1.
- none of the other choices
- $\bullet$  H<sup>1126</sup> = H.
- N (d+1) eigenvalues of H are 1.
- 3. Which of the following is an upper bound of  $\left[\left[\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x}) \neq y\right]\right]$  for  $y \in \{-1, +1\}$ ?
  - none of the other choices

$\bigcirc$	$err(\mathbf{w}) =$	$ \mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} $	> v]
	$crr(\mathbf{w})$	**	- <i>y</i> i

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \exp(-y\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})$$

$$err(\mathbf{w}) = max(0, 1 - y\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})$$

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = \max(0, -y\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})$$

4. Which of the following is a differentiable function of W everywhere?

10 points

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = [[\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \ge y]]$$

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = \max(0, -y\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})$$

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = \max(0, 1 - y\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})$$

- none of the other choices
- 5. When using SGD on the following error functions and `ignoring' some singular points that are not differentiable, which of the following error function results in PLA?

10 points

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \exp(-y\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})$$

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = max(0, 1 - y\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})$$

$$\bigcirc err(\mathbf{w}) = [[\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \ge y]]$$

$$err(\mathbf{w}) = \max(0, -y\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x})$$

- one of the other choices
- 6. For Questions 6-10, consider a function

$$E(u,v) = e^u + e^{2v} + e^{uv} + u^2 - 2uv + 2v^2 - 3u - 2v$$
. What is the gradient  $\nabla E(u,v)$  around  $(u,v) = (0,0)$ ?

$$(-2,0)$$

$$(3,-1)$$

$$(0,-2)$$

$$(-3,1)$$

7. In class, we have taught that the update rule of the gradient descent algorithm is  $(u_{t+1}, v_{t+1}) = (u_t, v_t) - \eta \nabla E(u_t, v_t)$ . Please start from  $(u_0, v_0) = (0, 0)$ , and fix  $\eta = 0.01$ . What is  $E(u_5, v_5)$  after five updates?

10 points

- 4.904
- 3.277
- 2.825
- 2.361
- 1.436
- 8. Continuing from Question 7. If we approximate the  $E(u+\Delta u,v+\Delta v)$  by  $\overset{\wedge}{E}_2(\Delta u,\Delta v)$ , where  $\overset{\wedge}{E}_2$  is the second-order Taylor's expansion of E around (u,v). Suppose

10 points

 $\hat{E}_2(\Delta u, \Delta v) = b_{uu}(\Delta u)^2 + b_{vv}(\Delta v)^2 + b_{uv}(\Delta u)(\Delta v) + b_u \Delta u + b_v \Delta v + b.$ 

What are the values of  $(b_{uu}, b_{vv}, b_{uv}, b_{uv}, b_{v}, b)$  around (u, v) = (0, 0)

- none of the other choices
- (3, 8, -0.5, -1, -2, 0)
- (1.5, 4, -1, -2, 0, 3)
- (3, 8, -1, -2, 0, 3)
- (1.5, 4, -0.5, -1, -2, 0)
- 9. Continue from Question 8 and denote the Hessian matrix to be  $\nabla^2 E(u,v)$ , and assume that the Hessian matrix is positive definite. What is the optimal  $(\Delta u, \Delta v)$  to minimize  $\overset{\wedge}{E}_2(\Delta u, \Delta v)$ ? (The direction is called the Newton Direction.)

- none of the other choices
- $\nabla^2 E(u,v) \nabla E(u,v)$
- $\bigcirc + (\nabla^2 E(u,v))^{-1} \nabla E(u,v)$
- 10. Use the Newton direction (without \eta) for updating and start from  $(u_0, v_0) = (0, 0)$ .

## What is $E(u_5, v_5)$ after five updates?

- 4.904
- 3.277
- 2.825
- 2.361
- 1.436
- 11. Consider six inputs  $\mathbf{x}_1=(1,1)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_2=(1,-1)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_3=(-1,-1)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_4=(-1,1)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_5=(0,0)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_6=(1,0)$ . What is the biggest subset of those input vectors that can be shattered by the union of quadratic, linear, or constant hypotheses of  $\mathbf{x}$ ?

10 points

- $\bigcirc$   $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3$
- ()  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6$
- $\bigcirc$   $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_3$
- $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{x}_5$
- ()  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4$
- 12. Assume that a transformer peeks the data and decides the following transform  $\Phi$  "intelligently" from the data of size N. The transform maps  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  to  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ , where

10 points

$$(\mathbf{\Phi}(\mathbf{x}))_n = z_n = [[\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_n]]$$

Consider a learning algorithm that performs PLA after the feature transform. Assume that all  $\mathbf{x}_n$  are different, 30% of the  $y_n$ 's are positive, and  $\mathrm{sign}(0) = +1$ . Then, estimate the  $E_{out}$  of the algorithm with a test set with all its input vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  different from those training  $\mathbf{x}_n$ 's and 30% of its output labels y to be positive. Which of the following is not true?

- $OE_{out} = 0.7$
- PLA will halt after enough iterations.
- $E_{in} = 0.7$
- igcup The transformed data set is always linearly separable in the  ${\mathcal Z}$  space.
- $\bigcirc$  All  $\mathbf{z}_n$ 's are orthogonal to each other.

13. For Questions 13-15, consider the target function:

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \text{sign}(x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 0.6)$$

Generate a training set of N=1000 points on  $\mathcal{X}=[-1,1]\times[-1,1]$  with uniform probability of picking each  $\mathbf{x}\in\mathcal{X}$ . Generate simulated noise by flipping the sign of the output in a random 10% subset of the generated training set.

Carry out Linear Regression without transformation, i.e., with feature vector:

$$(1, x_1, x_2),$$

to find the weight  $\mathbf{w}_{\mathrm{lin}}$ , and use  $\mathbf{w}_{\mathrm{lin}}$  directly for classification. What is the closest value to the classification (0/1) in-sample error ( $E_{\mathrm{in}}$ )? Run the experiment 1000 times and take the average  $E_{\mathrm{in}}$  in order to reduce variation in your results.

- $\bigcirc$  0.1
- 0.3
- 0.5
- 0.7
- 0.9
- 14. Now, transform the training data into the following nonlinear feature vector:

10 points

$$(1, x_1, x_2, x_1x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2)$$

Find the vector  $\widetilde{\mathbf{w}}$  that corresponds to the solution of Linear Regression, and take it for classification. Which of the following hypotheses is closest to the one you find using Linear Regression on the transformed input? Closest here means agrees the most with your hypothesis (has the most probability of agreeing on a randomly selected point).

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \text{sign}(-1 - 0.05x_1 + 0.08x_2 + 0.13x_1x_2 + 1.5x_1^2 + 1.5x_2^2)$$

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \text{sign}(-1 - 1.5x_1 + 0.08x_2 + 0.13x_1x_2 + 0.05x_1^2 + 0.05x_2^2)$$

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \text{sign}(-1 - 1.5x_1 + 0.08x_2 + 0.13x_1x_2 + 0.05x_1^2 + 1.5x_2^2)$$

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \text{sign}(-1 - 0.05x_1 + 0.08x_2 + 0.13x_1x_2 + 15x_1^2 + 1.5x_2^2)$$

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \text{sign}(-1 - 0.05x_1 + 0.08x_2 + 0.13x_1x_2 + 1.5x_1^2 + 15x_2^2)$$

15. Following Question 14, what is the closest value to the classification out-of-sample error  $E_{\rm out}$  of your hypothesis? Estimate it by generating a new set of 1000 points and adding noise as before. Average over 1000 runs to reduce the variation in your

## results.

- 0.1
- $\bigcirc$  0.3
- 0.5
- 0.7
- 0.9
- 16. For Questions 16-17, you will derive an algorithm for the multinomial (multiclass) logistic regression model. For a K-class classification problem, we will denote the output space  $\mathcal{Y}=\{1,2,\ldots,K\}$ . The hypotheses considered by the model are indexed by a list of weight vectors  $(\mathbf{w}_1,\mathbf{w}_2,\ldots,\mathbf{w}_K)$ , each weight vector of length d+1. Each list represents a hypothesis

10 points

$$h_y(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\exp(\mathbf{w}_y^T \mathbf{x})\right) / \left(\sum_{k=1}^K \exp(\mathbf{w}_k^T \mathbf{x})\right)$$

that can be used to approximate the target distribution  $P(y|\mathbf{x})$ . The model then seeks for the maximum likelihood solution over all such hypotheses.

For general K, derive an  $E_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_K)$  like page 11 of Lecture 10 slides by minimizing the negative log likelihood. What is the resulting  $E_{\text{in}}$ ?

$$\bigcirc \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \ln \left( \sum_{k=1}^{K} \exp(\mathbf{w}_{k}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n}) - \exp(\mathbf{w}_{y_{n}}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n}) \right) \right)$$

none of the other choices

$$\bigcirc \quad \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{K} \mathbf{w}_{k}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n} - \mathbf{w}_{y_{n}}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n} \right)$$

$$\bigcirc \quad \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left( \mathbf{w}_{k}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n} - \mathbf{w}_{y_{n}}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n} \right) \right)$$

17. For the  $E_{\rm in}$  derived above, its gradient  $\nabla E_{\rm in}$  can be represented by  $\left(\frac{\partial E_{\rm in}}{\partial \mathbf{w}_1}, \frac{\partial E_{\rm in}}{\partial \mathbf{w}_2}, \cdots, \frac{\partial E_{\rm in}}{\partial \mathbf{w}_K}\right)$ , write down  $\frac{\partial E_{\rm in}}{\partial \mathbf{w}_i}$ .

$$\bigcap_{N} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \left( h_i(\mathbf{x}_n) - [[y_n = i]] \right) \mathbf{x}_n \right)$$

$$\bigcirc \quad \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} \left( \exp(\mathbf{w}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n}) - \left[ \left[ y_{n} = i \right] \right] \right) \mathbf{x}_{n} \right)$$

	$ \bigcirc \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{K} \left( \exp(\mathbf{w}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n}) - 1 \right) \mathbf{x}_{n} \right) \\ \bigcirc \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \left( h_{i}(\mathbf{x}_{n}) - 1 \right) \mathbf{x}_{n} \right) $	
18.	For Questions 18-20, you will play with logistic regression. Please use the following set for training:	10 points
	https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~htlin/mooc/datasets/mlfound_algo/hw3_train.dat	
	and the following set for testing:	
	https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~htlin/mooc/datasets/mlfound_algo/hw3_test.dat	
	Implement the fixed learning rate gradient descent algorithm for logistic regression. Run the algorithm with $\eta=0.001$ and $T=2000$ . What is $E_{out}(g)$ from your algorithm, evaluated using the $0/1$ error on the test set?	
	0.475	
	0.412	
	0.322	
	0.220	
	0.103	
19.	Implement the fixed learning rate gradient descent algorithm for logistic regression. Run the algorithm with $\eta=0.01$ and $T=2000$ , what is $E_{out}(g)$ from your algorithm, evaluated using the $0/1$ error on the test set?	10 points
	0.475	
	0.412	
	0.322	
	0.220	
	0.103	
20.	Implement the fixed learning rate stochastic gradient descent algorithm for logistic regression. Instead of randomly choosing $n$ in each iteration, please simply pick the example with the cyclic order $n=1,2,\ldots,N,1,2,\ldots$	10 points

Run the algorithm with  $\eta=0.001$  and T=2000. What is  $E_{out}(g)$  from your algorithm, evaluated using the 0/1 error on the test set?

- 0.475
- 0.412
- 0.322
- 0.220
- 0.103