# Supervised Learning \& Logistic Regression 

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## Image Categorization is Important



What animal is it?


What is he doing?


## Supervised Learning

Input (features)
Output (targets, labels)



Forest
City
Campus
Sea

## Problem formulation

Given the training set: $\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}, y_{1}\right), \cdots,\left(\mathbf{x}_{n}, y_{n}\right)$

Task: find a predictor function: $\quad y=f(\mathbf{x})$

## General Machine Learning Approach

- Using domain/prior knowledge, assume a model for the predictor
- E.g., linear model, quadratic model
- The functional form of the model is fixed, but it has unknown parameters $y=f(\mathbf{x} ; \Theta)$
- Use training data to learn the model's parameters

$$
\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}, y_{1}\right), \cdots,\left(\mathbf{x}_{n}, y_{n}\right) \longrightarrow \Theta
$$

- Use the learned parameters for prediction: $\mathbf{x}, \Theta \longrightarrow y$


## Logistic Regression

Logistic Regression is a discriminative classifier:

+ Learn $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{Y} \mid \mathrm{X})$ directly
+ Assume a functional form of $P(Y \mid X)$
Assume a probability as Sigmoid function

$$
\begin{aligned}
& P(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X})=\operatorname{sigmoid}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right) \\
& \operatorname{sigmoid}(z)=\frac{1}{1+\exp (-z)} \\
& P(Y=0 \mid \mathbf{X})=1-P(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X})
\end{aligned}
$$



## Understand the Sigmoid

## Logistic Regression - Linear Classifier

Classification decision: $\quad P(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}) \geq 0.5$
This happens when

$$
\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X} \geq 0
$$

## Learning the Parameters

Maximize the Conditional likelihood $P\left(\left\{Y^{j}\right\} \mid\left\{\mathbf{X}^{j}\right\}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)$

## Independently Identically Distributed (iid) assumption

$$
=\prod_{j} P\left(Y^{j} \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)
$$

Maximize the Conditional Log-likelihood $L(\boldsymbol{\theta})=\sum_{j} \log \left(P\left(Y^{j} \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)\right)$
$L(\boldsymbol{\theta})=\sum_{j} Y^{j} \log \left(P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)\right)+\left(1-Y^{j}\right) \log \left(P\left(Y=0 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)\right)$

## Learning the Parameters

Maximize the Conditional Log-likelihood

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L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & =\sum_{j} Y^{j} \log \left(P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)\right)+\left(1-Y^{j}\right) \log \left(P\left(Y=0 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)\right) \\
& =\sum_{j}\left[Y^{j}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)-\log \left(1+\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)\right)\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

Bad News: No closed-form solution
Good News: The function is concave => Easy to optimize

## Optimization with Gradient Ascent

Iterative optimization:

$$
\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t+1)}:=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}+\left.\eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}\right|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}}
$$

$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}=$

## Logistic Regression Review

Objective: maximize the log-likelihood

$$
L(\boldsymbol{\theta})=\sum_{j}\left[Y^{j}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)-\log \left(1+\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)\right)\right]
$$

Optimization with gradient ascent

$$
\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t+1)}:=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}+\left.\eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}\right|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}}
$$

The derivative

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} & =\sum_{j}\left[Y^{j} \mathbf{X}^{j}-\frac{\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)}{1+\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right] \\
& =\sum_{j}\left[Y^{j}-P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)\right] \mathbf{X}^{j}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Understand the gradient update

Optimization with gradient ascent $\quad \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t+1)}:=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}+\left.\eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}\right|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}}$
$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}=\sum_{j}\left[Y^{j}-P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)\right] \mathbf{X}^{j}$
Case 1: $Y^{j}=1$

+ If $P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)$ is big, $\mathbf{X}^{j}$ induces a weak pull
+ If $P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)$ is small, $\mathbf{X}^{j}$ induces a strong pull
Case 2: $Y^{j}=0$

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { + If } P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}\right) \text { is big, } \mathbf{X}^{j} \text { induces a strong push } \\
& \text { + If } P\left(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}\right) \text { is small, } \mathbf{X}^{j} \text { induces a weak push }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Stochastic Gradient Descent with

## Mini-batches

Optimization with gradient ascent $\quad \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t+1)}:=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}+\left.\eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}\right|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}=\boldsymbol{\theta}^{t}}$
$L(\boldsymbol{\theta})=\sum_{j} \underbrace{\left[Y^{j}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)-\log \left(1+\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{X}^{j}\right)\right)\right]}_{L_{j}(\boldsymbol{\theta})}$
Exact gradient computation $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}=\sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\partial L_{j}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}$
Approximate gradient computation $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \approx \frac{n}{|\mathcal{B}|} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \frac{\partial L_{j}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}}$

## Logistic Regression for $k$ classes

$$
\begin{aligned}
& P(Y=1 \mid \mathbf{X})=\frac{\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)}{1+\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)} \\
& \quad \vdots \\
& P(Y=k-1 \mid \mathbf{X})=\frac{\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k-1}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)}{1+\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)} \\
& P(Y=k \mid \mathbf{X})=\frac{1}{1+\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Equivalent Formulation: Soft-max

- Parameterization $\quad P(Y=j \mid \mathbf{X})=\frac{\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{j}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)}$
- Loss function

$$
\begin{aligned}
& L(\boldsymbol{\theta})=\sum_{j=1}^{n} \log \left(P\left(Y^{j} \mid \mathbf{X}^{j}, \boldsymbol{\theta}\right)\right) \\
& \left.L(\boldsymbol{\theta})=\sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \delta\left(Y^{j}=i\right) \log \frac{\exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{j}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \exp \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## What you need to know

- Supervised learning
- Sigmoid function
- Logistic regression
- Binary case
- Multiple classes
- Stochastic Gradient Descent

