

MLE/ MAP [in] variance
 Support Vector Machines
 Convex functions

"Standardize Features"

- When do MAP, we often standardize columns

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} \text{column} \end{bmatrix}$$

In regression we sometimes do this to 'Y', so we don't need y-intercept.

subtract mean } mean 0
 divide by variance } variance 1
 → roughly puts weights w_i on same side

"Bias" vs "bais"

- sometimes you'll see logistic regression written using

$$p(y_i | \bar{x}_i, w, b) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i (w^T \bar{x}_i + b))}$$

↑ bias variable

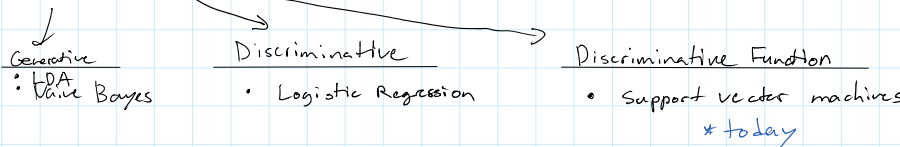
instead of

$$p(y_i | \bar{x}_i, w) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i w^T \bar{x}_i)}$$

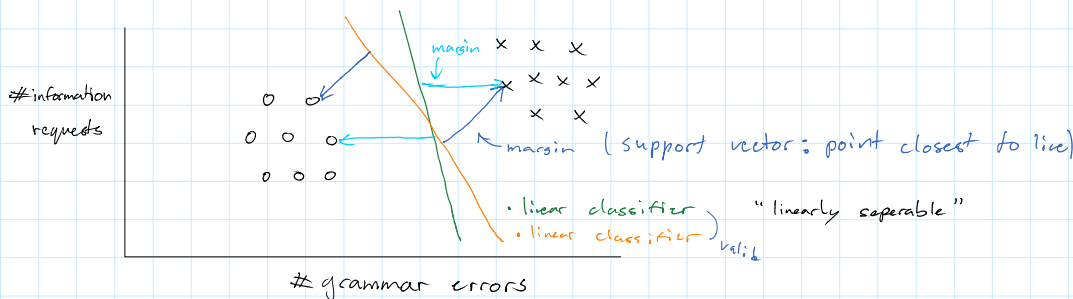
- "Bais" variable 'b' takes into account that one class may be more likely before we see the features (c.f. $p(y_i=1)$ in Naive Bayes)
- Equivalent to adding a column of ones to X
- Statisticians say: "do not regularize the bias"

compromise: regularize bias with a smaller amount, larger weight for features

Linear Classifiers



Support Vector Machines



line is uniquely defined by support vectors (we only need the closest points on each side, can throw away the rest of the data)

Maximum Margin

- maximize distance of line to closest point

To find the optimal line:

"margin" is proportional to $\frac{1}{\|\bar{w}\|}$
(geometric argument, see wikipedia)

$$\text{maximize } \frac{1}{\|\bar{w}\|} \iff \text{minimizing } \|\bar{w}\|^2$$

SVM:

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad y_i \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i - 1 \geq 0$$

find best line such that:

↪ when this is equal (roots), will be the support vectors

$$\begin{aligned} 0 & \text{ points on first side } & \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i > 1 & & y_i = 1 \\ x & \text{ points on other side } & \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i \leq -1 & & y_i = -1 \end{aligned}$$

"Soft-margin" SVM

$$\min_{\bar{w}, \bar{v}} \sum_{i=1}^n v_i + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad y_i \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i - 1 + v_i \geq 0, \quad v_i \geq 0$$

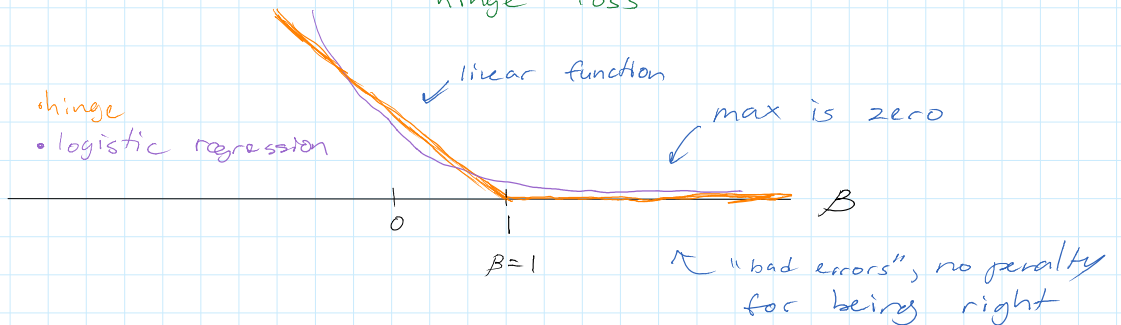
lets you violate the constraint a bit

"for C large enough, linearly separable is a special case"

$$v_i \geq \max \{ 0, 1 - y_i \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i \}$$

$$\operatorname{argmin}_w C \sum_{i=1}^n \max \{ 0, 1 - y_i \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i \} + \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2$$

"hinge loss"



Multi-Class SVM

$$\text{ie } y_i = \{1, 2, 3 \dots K\} \\ \text{or } y_i = \{\text{red, blue, } \dots\}$$

- 1 vs all: train k binary classifiers ($O(k)$)
- all pairs: 1 vs 2, 1 vs 3, ..., (doesn't scale well with k), 2 vs 3, ...
- ELO error correcting output code

1 vs all,
2 vs all, ...

- Multiclass:

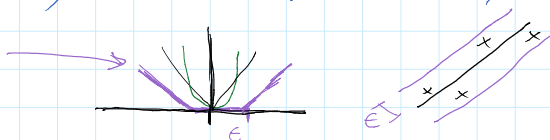
$$\min_{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^N \max_c \{1 - \bar{w}_c^T \bar{x}_i + \bar{w}_c^T \bar{x}_i\} \right\}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{c=1}^k \max \{0, 1 - \bar{w}_{y_i}^T \bar{x}_i + \bar{w}_c^T \bar{x}_i\}$$

Other types of regression / classifications

- Extreme value regression (very rare class, treat asymmetrically)

- Support Vector regression



- ordinal logistic regression, proportional hazards (movie ratings)

- Ranking ($a \succ b$)

- Multiple regression

- Multi-task classification (predict multiple y 's)

- "Structured prediction"

Convex Functions one minimal value (maybe a set of locations)

Why?

- polynomial-time algorithms to optimize
- stationary points are global optima

$$\frac{d}{dx} = 0$$

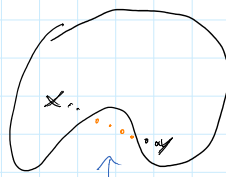
(least squares, L_2 -reg, L_1 -reg, logistic, SVMs)

Convex Set

A set C is convex if $\theta x + (1-\theta)y \in C$



$$\forall x, y \in C \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 1$$



not convex

ie, no bending inwards.

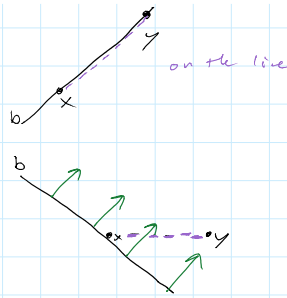
Linear Equality $\{x \mid a^T x = b\}$

Inequality $\{x \mid a^T x \leq b\}$

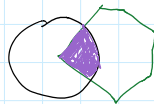
norm-ball $\{x \mid \|x\| \leq r\}$
norm-core $\{x, r \mid \|x\| \leq r\}$

Spectrahedron $\{\Sigma \mid \Sigma \succeq 0\}$
 $\{\Sigma \mid \Sigma \preceq 0\}$

$\{x \mid f(x) \leq 0\}$
for any convex f .



Intersection of convex sets is convex



LP $\{x \mid Ax \leq b, A_{eq}x = b_{eq}, LB \leq x \leq UB\}$

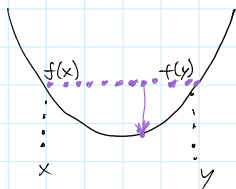
"closed" convex set if it includes boundary

Convex Functions

A function 'f' is convex if $\text{dom}(f)$ is a convex set, and

$$f(\theta x + (1-\theta)y) \leq \theta f(x) + (1-\theta)f(y)$$

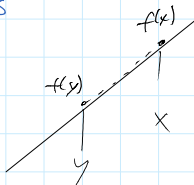
$$\forall x \in \text{dom}(f), y \in \text{dom}(f), 0 \leq \theta \leq 1$$



epigraph is a convex set



linear functions both convex and concave



Examples:

$$f(x) = ax^2 + b, \quad a \geq 0$$

$$f(x) = \exp(ax)$$

$$f(x) = x \log(x), \quad x \geq 0$$