

A Pragmatic Approach for Machine Learning in D

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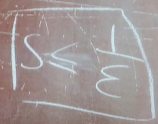
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Logistic Regression

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{1}{q_{\text{fact}}} - \sigma_{\text{po}}(N - N_0)(1 - \epsilon S)S + \frac{N_e}{T_n} - \frac{N}{T_p}$$

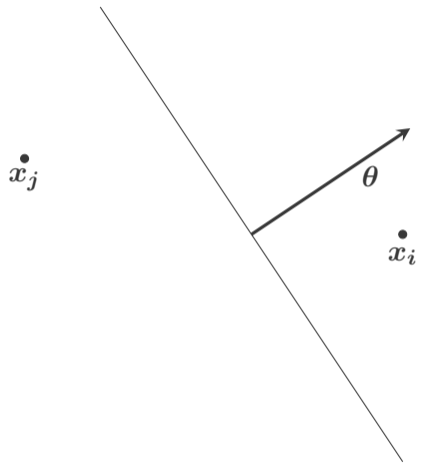
$$\frac{dS}{dt} = T_0 \sigma_{\text{po}}(N - N_0)(1 - \epsilon S)S + \frac{1 - \beta N}{T_n} - \frac{S}{T_p}$$

$$\frac{S}{P_1} = \frac{T_{\text{cp}} \times 0}{T_{\text{fact}} \times \mu} = 0$$



$$\left. \begin{aligned} N - N_0 \\ P_1 = (m) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

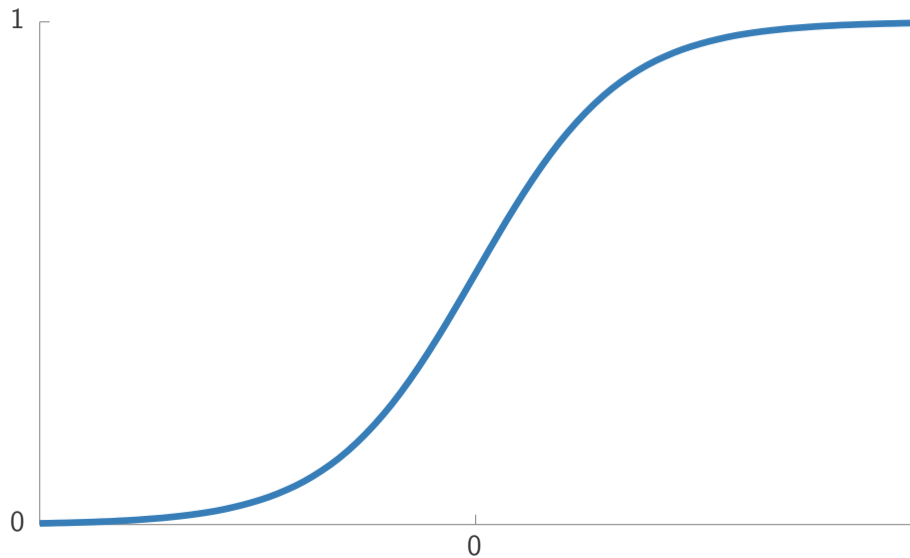
$$x_i^\top \theta$$



Logistic Function

$$m(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)}$$

Logistic Function

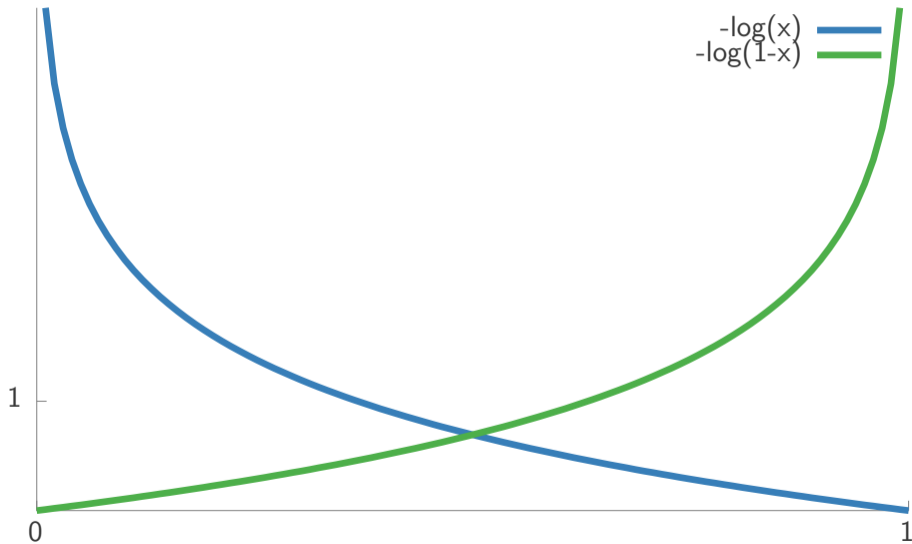


$$m(\mathbf{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\theta})}$$

Cross Entropy Loss

$$H(p, q) = - \sum_x p(x) \log q(x)$$

Cross Entropy Loss



Cross Entropy Loss

Let $y_i \in \{y_1, y_2\}$ the set of label classes.

$$\begin{aligned} - \sum_x p(x) \log q(x) &= - \sum_x \mathbb{1}_{x=y_i} \log q(x) \\ &= - (\mathbb{1}_{x=y_1} \log q(x) + \mathbb{1}_{x=y_2} \log(1 - q(x))) \\ &= - (\mathbb{1}_{x=y_1} \log m(\mathbf{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \mathbb{1}_{x=y_2} \log(1 - m(\mathbf{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}))) \\ &= - (\mathbb{1}_{x=y_1} \log m(\mathbf{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \mathbb{1}_{x=y_2} \log(m(-\mathbf{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}))) \\ &= - \log m(y_i \mathbf{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) \text{ with setting } y_1 = 1 \text{ and } y_2 = -1 \\ &= - \log \left(\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\theta})} \right) \\ &= \log \left(1 + \exp(-y_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\log \left(1 + \exp(-y_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \log \left(1 + \exp(-y_i \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \left[\log (\mathbf{1} + \exp(-\mathbf{y} \odot \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\theta})) \right]_i$$

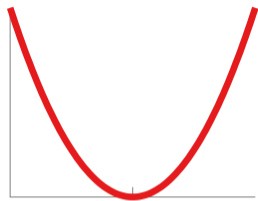
Data

- ▶ Numeric
- ▶ Scalars, vectors, matrices, ...
- ▶ Quality vs Quantity

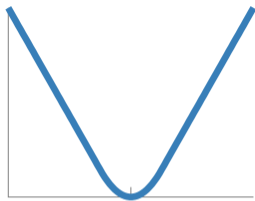
Models

- ▶ Defines mapping between data and model parameters
- ▶ Classification and regression models
- ▶ Factorization methods
- ▶ Deep Neural Networks
- ▶ ...

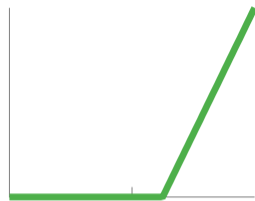
Losses



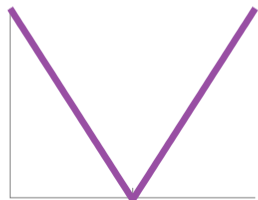
Squared loss —



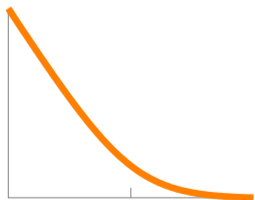
Huber loss —



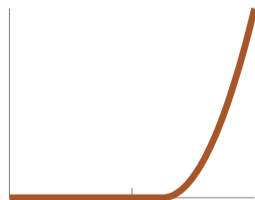
Hinge loss —



Absolute loss —



Cross Entropy loss —



Squared hinge loss —

Model Parameters

- ▶ Updated by minimizing the modeled loss
- ▶ Distribute parameters for large models

Optimization

- ▶ (Stochastic) Gradient Descent Step

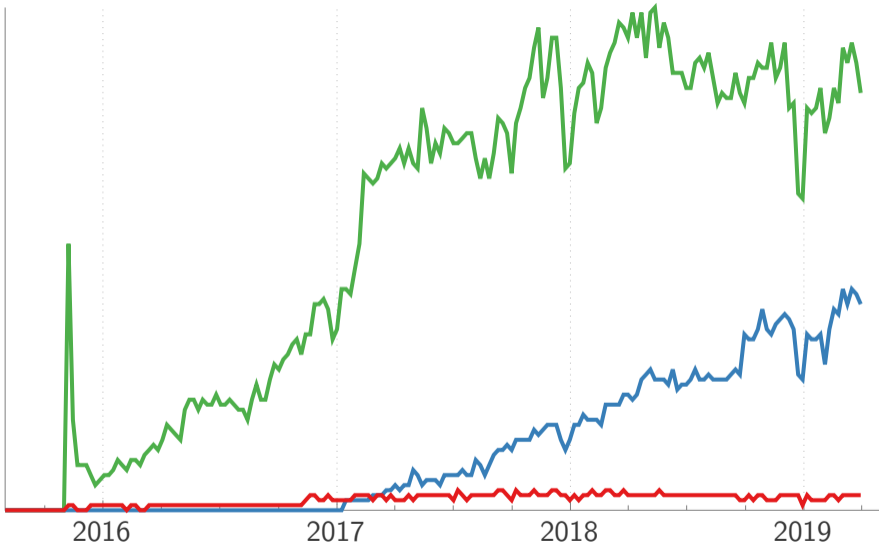
$$\boldsymbol{\theta}_{i+1} = \boldsymbol{\theta}_i - \alpha \mathbf{g}$$

- ▶ Variations for faster convergence
- ▶ Learning rate is important

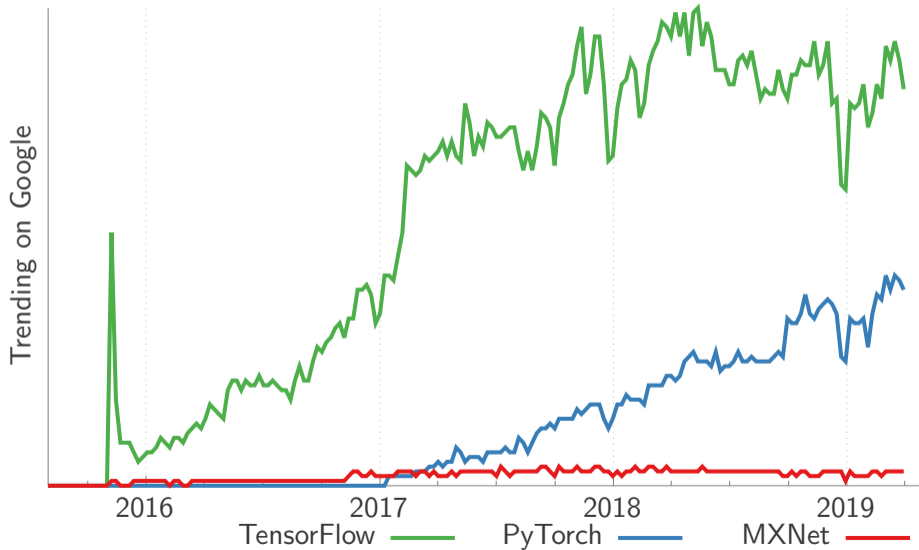
MXNet

- ▶ Mix symbolic and imperative programming
- ▶ Dependency scheduler
- ▶ Memory efficient and fast execution of symbolic graphs

Trending on Google



Why Not MXNet



Why MXNet

- ▶ Exposes C API to access all functionality (not only prediction)
- ▶ Both prototyping and production code in D
- ▶ Use your D language skills

MXNet Backend

- ▶ Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms (Intel MKL, Apple Accelerate, ATLAS, OpenBLAS)
- ▶ CUDA and cuDNN
- ▶ Open Neural Network Exchange

Symbolic vs Imperative

- ▶ Define symbolic network, bind values to it and execute it
- ▶ Imperative scheduled and evaluated as you go

MXNet API

- ▶ AtomicSymbol
- ▶ Symbol
- ▶ NDAarray
- ▶ Executor
- ▶ Autograd
- ▶ Key-value store
- ▶ ...

Model and Loss

```
// creating the network
// data arguments
auto x_symbol = new Variable("X"); // feature matrix
scope(exit) x_symbol.freeHandle();
auto y_symbol = new Variable("y"); // label vector
scope(exit) y_symbol.freeHandle();

// network architecture and model parameters
auto w_symbol = new Variable("W");
scope(exit) w_symbol.freeHandle();
auto fc = new FullyConnected(x_symbol, num_classes, w_symbol);
scope(exit) fc.freeHandle();
auto softmax = new SoftmaxOutput(fc, y_symbol);
scope(exit) softmax.freeHandle();
```

Context and Data

```
// setup context where computations should happen
auto context = cpuContext();
// size of a training batch
auto batch_size = 100;
// data variable X
auto matrix_x = new NArray!(float)(context, [batch_size,
    num_pixels]);
scope(exit) matrix_x.freeHandle();
// data variable y
auto vector_y = new NArray!(float)(context, [batch_size]);
scope(exit) vector_y.freeHandle();
```

Initialize Model Parameters

```
// initialize parameter W to zero
auto matrix_w = new NDAarray!(float)(context, [num_classes,
    num_pixels], 0f);
scope(exit) matrix_w.freeHandle();

// holds gradient w.r.t. W
auto gradient_w = new NDAarray!(float)(context, matrix_w.shape()
    );
scope(exit) gradient_w.freeHandle();
```

Bind Executor

```
// verify that the all arguments are provided in proper order
assert(softmax.arguments == ["X", "W", "y"]);
// define the executor binding the model with data and model
  parameters
auto executor = new Executor!(float)(context, softmax,
  arguments, gradients, gradients_req_type, []);
scope(exit) executor.freeHandle();
```

Training in Batches

```
// set batch and ...
matrix_x.copyFrom(images_batch);
vector_y.copyFrom(labels_batch);

// make a forward and a backward pass
executor.forward();
executor.backward();
auto step_length = 5e-1f;
// and a gradient descent step
gradient_w *= step_length;
matrix_w -= gradient_w;
```

- ▶ Still in 0.x
- ▶ Targeted platform Linux
- ▶ Unit- and integration tested
- ▶ Documented

Demo

Outlook

- ▶ Cleanup D1 artifacts
- ▶ More examples to learn from
- ▶ Automatic generating of Symbols/NDArrays
- ▶ Tape-based gradient calculation
- ▶ Use uniform function call syntax

```
auto model = symbol("image").convolve()  
                                .activate()  
                                .pool()  
                                .fullyConnected()  
                                .softmax();
```

Conclusions

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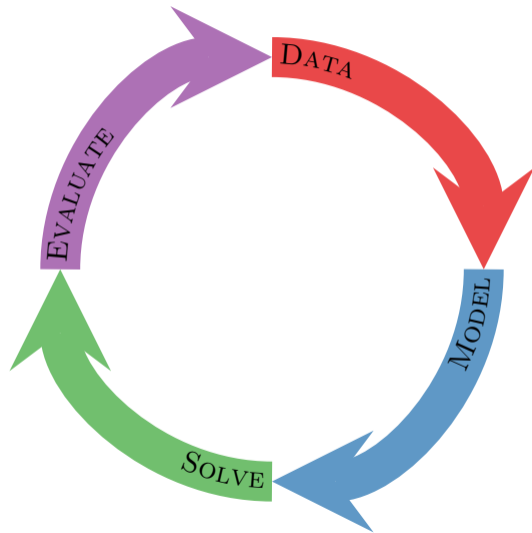
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Appendix

Data Analysis Cycle



VGG19

