

Recipe: fit parameters to data

Loss and function: $L(y^{(n)}, f(\underline{x}^{(n)}, \underline{w})) = L_n$

Square loss: $(y^{(n)} - f_n)^2$

Negative log probability: $-\log p(y^{(n)} | \underline{x}^{(n)}, \underline{w})$

Cost

$$C = \sum_n L_n \quad \text{sum over training set}$$

Learning direction

$$-\frac{1}{N} \nabla_{\underline{w}} C = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_n \nabla_{\underline{w}} L_n$$

Monte Carlo approx:

$-\nabla_{\underline{w}} L_n$ for random n

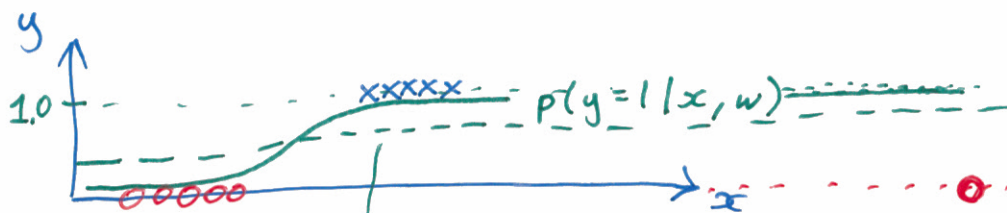
\Rightarrow Identify probabilistic model of y , $p(y | \underline{x}, \underline{w})$

\Rightarrow Update parameters:

$$\underline{w} \leftarrow \underline{w} + \eta \nabla_{\underline{w}} \log p(y^{(n)} | \underline{x}^{(n)}, \underline{w})$$

S.G.D. on loss. S.G. Ascent on log likelihood

Robust Logistic Regression



A quite flat sigmoidal shape.

Each example has binary variable

$$m^{(n)} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \text{hidden variable / latent}$$

I will assume:

$$p(m=1) = \begin{cases} 1 - \epsilon & m=1 \\ \epsilon & m=0 \end{cases}$$

eg. $\epsilon = 0.01$

Model for labels:

$$p(y=1|x, \underline{w}, m) = \begin{cases} \sigma(\underline{w}^T \underline{x}) & m=1 \\ 1/2 & m=0 \end{cases}$$

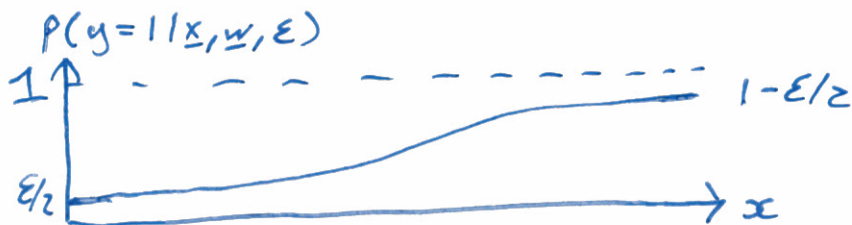
Need Likelihood of \underline{w}, ϵ

$$p(y=1 | \underline{x}, \underline{w}, \epsilon) = \sum_{m \in \{0,1\}} P(y=1, m | \underline{x}, \underline{w}, \epsilon) \quad (\text{Sum Rule})$$

$$= \sum_{m \in \{0,1\}} P(y=1 | \underline{x}, \underline{w}, \epsilon, m) P(m | \underline{x}, \underline{w}, \epsilon) \quad (\text{Product rule})$$

For this model

$$= \underbrace{(1-\epsilon) \sigma(\underline{w}^T \underline{x})}_{m=1} + \underbrace{\epsilon/2}_{m=0}$$



$$\nabla_{\underline{w}} \log P(y^{(n)} | \underline{x}^{(n)}, \underline{w}, \epsilon) = \dots \text{calculus / algebra}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{1-\epsilon} \right) \frac{1}{\sigma_n}} \nabla_{\underline{w}} \log \sigma_n$$

$p(y=1 | \underline{w}, \epsilon)$ for logistic regression

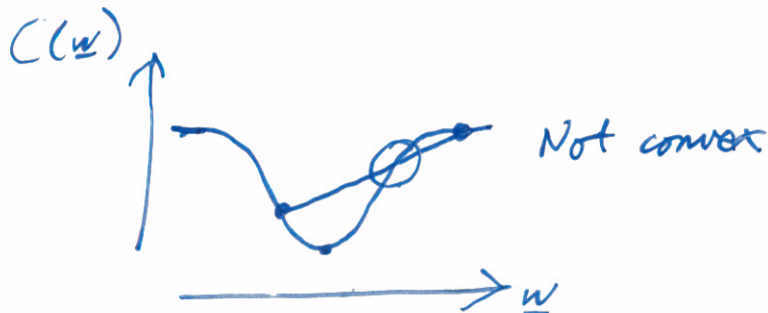
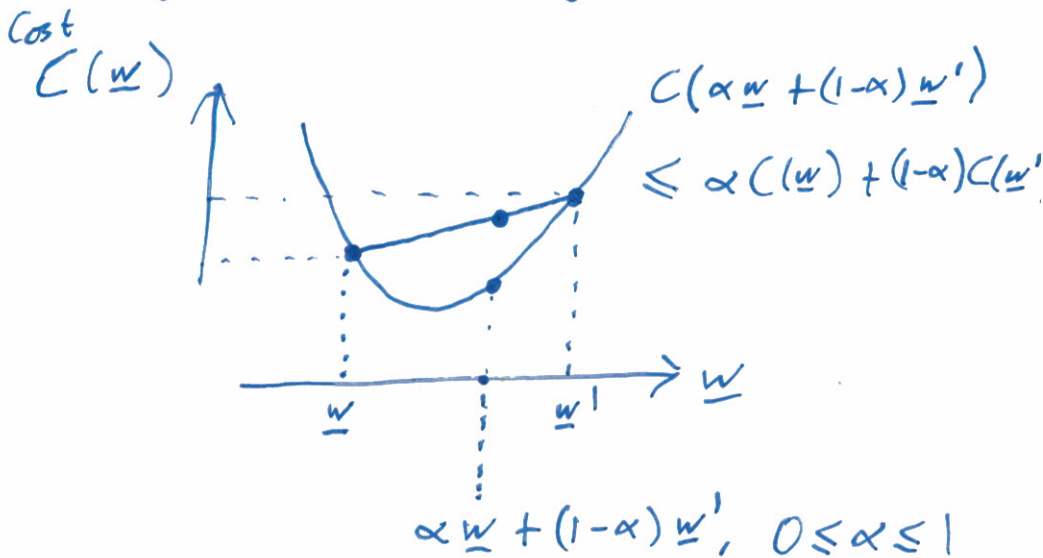
How do we fit ϵ ?

Set it by hand?

Grid of settings $\epsilon \in [0, 1]$

Maybe on a log scale $0.1, 0.01, 0.001, \dots$

For fixed ϵ the cost function is convex.



Use gradients to fit ϵ

Jointly fit $\theta = \begin{bmatrix} w \\ \epsilon \end{bmatrix}$, $\nabla_{\theta} C$

1 Problem $C(\epsilon)$ is not convex.

→ Don't worry, do it anyway.

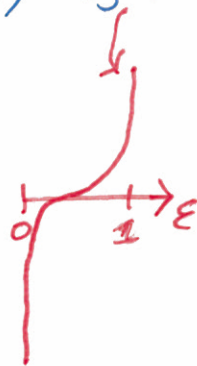
A real problem

$\epsilon \in [0, 1]$, ϵ is constrained.

Trick: reparameterize model

$$\epsilon = \sigma(b), \quad b = \log\left(\frac{\epsilon}{1-\epsilon}\right) = \text{logit}(\epsilon)$$

↑ ↑ $-\infty < b < \infty$
logistic sigmoid.



Derive $\frac{\partial C}{\partial b}$ and optimize $\begin{bmatrix} w \\ b \end{bmatrix}$

From the class forum:

