10-301/601: Introduction to Machine Learning Lecture 30: Course Recap & Large Language Models

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#### Front Matter

- Announcements
  - Final on 8/11, this Friday!
    - Today's lecture is out-of-scope for the Final
    - OH in lieu of recitation on 8/10 (tomorrow)
  - Please complete your course evals!
- Recommended Supplementary Material
  - Papers linked throughout the lecture slides

Recall: What is <del>Machine</del> <del>Learning</del> 10-301/601?

- Supervised Models
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  - Linear Regression
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# It was all a ruse!



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Learning Theory

Reinforcement Learning





Decision Trees: Inductive Bias

- The **inductive bias** of a machine learning algorithm is the principal by which it generalizes to unseen examples
- What is the inductive bias of the ID3 algorithm i.e., decision tree learning with mutual information maximization as the splitting criterion?
  - Try to find the smallest tree that achieves a training error rate of 0 with high mutual information features at the top
- Occam's razor: try to find the "simplest" (e.g., smallest decision tree) classifier that explains the training dataset

#### Overfitting in Decision Trees



# Nearest Neighbor: Example



#### Setting k

- When k = 1:
  - many, complicated decision boundaries
  - may overfit
- When k = N:
  - no decision boundaries; always predicts the most common label in the training data
  - may underfit
- k controls the complexity of the hypothesis set  $\implies k$ affects how well the learned hypothesis will generalize

Setting k for kNN with Validation Sets



#### kNN train and validation errors on Fisher Iris data

Recipe for Linear Regression

- Define a model and model parameters
  - Assume  $y = w^T x$
  - Parameters:  $w = [w_0, w_1, ..., w_D]$
- Write down an objective function • Minimize the squared error  $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\boldsymbol{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \ell^{(n)}(\boldsymbol{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (\boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{x}^{(n)} - \boldsymbol{y}^{(n)})^{2}$
- Optimize the objective w.r.t. the model parameters
  - Solve in *closed form*: take partial derivatives, set to 0 and solve

### Minimizing the Squared Error

$$\ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\boldsymbol{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{x}^{(n)} - \boldsymbol{y}^{(n)} \right)^{2} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left( \boldsymbol{x}^{(n)^{T}} \boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{y}^{(n)} \right)^{2}$$
$$= \|\boldsymbol{X}\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{y}\|_{2}^{2} \text{ where } \|\boldsymbol{z}\|_{2} = \sqrt{\sum_{d=1}^{D} z_{d}^{2}} = \sqrt{\boldsymbol{z}^{T} \boldsymbol{z}}$$
$$= (\boldsymbol{X}\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{y})^{T} (\boldsymbol{X}\boldsymbol{w} - \boldsymbol{y})$$
$$= (\boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{X} \boldsymbol{w} - 2 \boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{y} + \boldsymbol{y}^{T} \boldsymbol{y})$$
$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{w}} \ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\boldsymbol{\hat{w}}) = (2\boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{X} \boldsymbol{\hat{w}} - 2\boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{y}) = 0$$
$$\rightarrow \boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{X} \boldsymbol{\hat{w}} = \boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{y}$$
$$\rightarrow \boldsymbol{\hat{w}} = (\boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{X})^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}^{T} \boldsymbol{y}$$

Gradient Descent: Intuition

- An iterative method for minimizing functions
- Requires the gradient to exist everywhere



#### Convexity



## Nonlinear Models



## Nonlinear Models?



Soft Constraints minimize  $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = (\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \boldsymbol{y})^T (\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \boldsymbol{y})$ 

subject to  $\boldsymbol{\omega}^T \boldsymbol{\omega} \leq C$ 

 $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}) \propto -2\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}$   $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}) = -2\lambda_{C}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}$   $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}) + 2\lambda_{C}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP} = 0$   $(0,0) \bullet$   $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} \ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}) + 2\lambda_{C}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP} = 0$   $\omega^{T} \boldsymbol{\omega} = C$   $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\omega}} (\ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}) + \lambda_{C}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP})^{T}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\omega}}_{MAP}) = 0$ 

 $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}(\boldsymbol{\omega})$ 

Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

- Insight: every valid probability distribution has a finite amount of probability mass as it must sum/integrate to 1
- Idea: set the parameter(s) so that the likelihood of the samples is maximized
- Intuition: assign as much of the (finite) probability mass to the observed data *at the expense of unobserved data*
- Example: the exponential distribution



Building a Probabilistic Classifier

#### • Define a decision rule

- Given a test data point x', predict its label  $\hat{y}$  using the posterior distribution P(Y = y | X = x')
- Common choice:  $\hat{y} = \underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(Y = y | X = x')$
- Model the posterior distribution
  - Option 1 Model P(Y|X) directly as some function of X (today!)
  - Option 2 Use Bayes' rule (later):

 $P(Y|X) = \frac{P(X|Y) P(Y)}{P(X)} \propto P(X|Y) P(Y)$ 

### Logistic Function



Stochastic Gradient Descent vs. Gradient Descent



**Gradient Descent** 

Stochastic Gradient Descent

### Linear Decision Boundaries: Example



Goal: learn classifiers of the form h(x) =- sign( $w^T x + b$ ) (assuming  $y \in \{-1, +1\}$ )

Key question: how do we learn the *parameters*, **w**?



## **Combining Perceptrons**

#### Building a Network

 $h(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign}(\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{x}) - \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{x}) - 1.5) + \operatorname{sign}(-\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{x}) + \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{x}) - 1.5) + 1.5)$ 

(Fully-Connected) Feed Forward Neural Network



Backpropagation • Input:  $W^{(1)}, ..., W^{(L)}$  and  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}_{n=1}^{N}$ • Initialize:  $\ell_{\mathcal{D}} = 0$  and  $G^{(l)} = 0 \odot W^{(l)} \forall l = 1, \dots, L$ • For n = 1, ..., N• Run forward propagation with  $x^{(n)}$  to get  $o^{(1)}$ , ...,  $o^{(L)}$ • (Optional) Increment  $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}: \ell_{\mathcal{D}} = \ell_{\mathcal{D}} + (o^{(L)} - y^{(n)})^2$ • Initialize:  $\delta^{(L)} = 2\left(o_1^{(L)} - y^{(n)}\right)\left(1 - \left(o_1^{(L)}\right)^2\right)$ • For l = L - 1, ..., 1• Compute  $\boldsymbol{\delta}^{(l)} = W^{(l+1)^T} \boldsymbol{\delta}^{(l+1)} \odot (1 - \boldsymbol{o}^{(l)} \odot \boldsymbol{o}^{(l)})$ • Increment  $G^{(l)}: G^{(l)} = G^{(l)} + \delta^{(l)} o^{(l-1)^T}$ • Output:  $G^{(1)}, \ldots, G^{(L)}$ , the gradients of  $\ell_{\mathcal{D}}$  w.r.t  $W^{(1)}, \ldots, W^{(L)}$  Three Approaches to Differentiation

- Given  $f: \mathbb{R}^D \to \mathbb{R}$ , compute  $\nabla_x f(x) = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x}$
- **1**. Finite difference method
  - Requires the ability to call f(x)
  - Great for checking accuracy of implementations of more complex differentiation methods
  - Computationally expensive for high-dimensional inputs
- 2. Symbolic differentiation
  - Requires systematic knowledge of derivatives
  - Can be computationally expensive if poorly implemented
- 3. Automatic differentiation (reverse mode)
  - Requires systematic knowledge of derivatives and an algorithm for computing f(x)
  - Computational cost of computing  $\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x}$  is proportional to the cost of computing f(x)

Mini-batch Stochastic Gradient Descent with Momentum for Neural Networks



Mini-batch **Stochastic** Gradient **Descent** with Adaptive Gradients for Neural Networks

## • Input: $\mathcal{D} = \{ (\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, y^{(n)}) \}_{n=1}^{N}, \eta_{MB}^{(0)}, B, \epsilon \}$

- 1. Initialize all weights  $W_{(0)}^{(1)}, \dots, W_{(0)}^{(L)}$  to small, random numbers and set  $t = 0, S_{-1}^{(l)} = 0 \odot W^{(l)} \forall l = 1, \dots, L$
- 2. While TERMINATION CRITERION is not satisfied
  - a. Randomly sample *B* data points from  $\mathcal{D}, \{(x^{(b)}, y^{(b)})\}_{h=1}^{B}$
  - b. Compute the gradient w.r.t. the sampled batch,

$$G_{t}^{(l)} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^{B} \nabla_{W^{(l)}} e(\mathbf{o}^{(L)}, y^{(b)}) \forall l$$

- c. Update  $S^{(l)}: S_t^{(l)} = S_{t-1}^{(l)} + G_t^{(l)} \odot G_t^{(l)} \forall l$
- d. Update  $W^{(l)}: W_{t+1}^{(l)} \leftarrow W_t^{(l)} \frac{\eta_{MB}^{(0)}}{\sqrt{s_t^{(l)} + \epsilon}} \odot G_t^{(l)} \forall l$
- e. Increment  $t: t \leftarrow t + 1$
- Output:  $W_t^{(1)}, ..., W_t^{(L)}$

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Q: Why did we cover so many unrelated topics in the second half of the semester?

A: You never know where the next big thing in machine learning is going to come from!

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Recall: 3 Inference Questions for Hidden Markov Models 1. Marginal Computation:  $P(Y_t = s_j | \mathbf{x}^{(n)})$  (or  $P(Y | \mathbf{x}^{(n)})$ )

$$P(Y|\mathbf{x}^{(n)}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}|Y)P(Y)}{P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})} = \frac{\prod_{t=1}^{T} P(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{(n)}|Y_{t})P(Y_{t}|Y_{t-1})}{P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)})}$$

2. Decoding: 
$$\hat{Y} = \underset{Y}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(Y | \boldsymbol{x}^{(n)})$$

3. Evaluation:  $P(x^{(n)})$ 

$$P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}) = \sum_{\mathcal{Y} \in \{\text{all possible sequences}\}} P(\mathbf{x}^{(n)} | \mathcal{Y}) P(\mathcal{Y})$$

## What is <del>ChatGPT GPT</del> a *large* language model?

Name 🗢	Release date <sup>[a]</sup> ✦	Developer ÷	Number of parameters <sup>[b]</sup> \$	Corpus size 🗢
BERT	2018	Google	340 million <sup>[105]</sup>	3.3 billion words <sup>[105]</sup>
XLNet	2019	Google	~340 million <sup>[109]</sup>	33 billion words
GPT-2	2019	OpenAl	1.5 billion <sup>[112]</sup>	40GB <sup>[113]</sup> (~10 billion tokens) <sup>[114]</sup>
GPT-3	2020	OpenAl	175 billion <sup>[37]</sup>	300 billion tokens <sup>[114]</sup>
GPT-4	March 2023	OpenAl	Exact number unknown <sup>[f]</sup>	Unknown
PaLM 2 (Pathways Language Model 2)	May 2023	Google	340 billion <sup>[162]</sup>	3.6 trillion tokens <sup>[162]</sup>

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      - Generative means the model can create new sequences by **sampling** from the distribution

Sampling for Bayesian Networks



- Sampling from a Bayesian network is easy!
  - Sample all free variables
    (*H* and *W*)
  - Sample any variable whose parents have already been sampled
  - Stop once all variables have been sampled

 $P(S = 1) \approx \frac{\text{\# of samples w}/S = 1}{\text{\# of samples}}$ 

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      - Pre-training is the process of initializing some or all model parameters using a dataset or objective function other than the actual task
      - Pre-trained parameters are then *fine-tuned* to the actual task

## Pre-training (Bengio et al., 2006)

	Train	Val.	Test
Deep net, auto-associator pre-training	0%	1.4%	1.4%
Deep net, supervised pre-training	0%	1.7%	2.0%
Deep net, no pre-training	.004%	2.1%	2.4%
Shallow net, no pre-training	.004%	1.8%	1.9%

#### • Error rates on MNIST

- Primary finding: pre-training is crucial to unlock the benefits of deep learning!
- Auto-associator is another word for autoencoder

### Deep Autoencoders



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reinforcement learning with human feedback

Reinforcement Learning with Human Feedback (RLHF)

- Insight: for many machine learning tasks, there is no universal ground truth, e.g., there are lots of possible ways to respond to a question or prompt.
- Idea: solve the problem using reinforcement learning and use human feedback as the reward function by having people determine how good or bad some action is.
- Issue: if the state/action space is huge, in order to train a good model, we would need tons and tons of feedback and human annotation is expensive...
- Idea: use a small number of annotations to learn a reward function!

## Reinforcement Learning with Human Feedback (RLHF)

#### Step 1

Collect demonstration data and train a supervised policy.

A prompt is  $\bigcirc$ sampled from our Explain reinforcement prompt dataset. learning to a 6 year old. A labeler demonstrates the desired output We give treats and behavior. punishments to teach ...

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This data is used to fine-tune GPT-3.5 with supervised learning.

A prompt and several model

Step 2

outputs are sampled.

Collect comparison data and

train a reward model.

A labeler ranks the

outputs from best to worst.

This data is used to train our reward model.

 $\bigcirc$ 

B In reinforcement Explain rewards. learning, the agent is... C D In machine learning...

Explain reinforcement

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#### Step 3

Optimize a policy against the reward model using the PPO reinforcement learning algorithm.



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      - A transformer is a **neural network architecture** that uses just *attention* mechanisms to model sequences ("attention is all you need").

#### Attention



Bidirectional Recurrent Neural Networks  $\boldsymbol{o}_{t}^{(1)} = \left[1, \theta\left(W^{(1)}\boldsymbol{x}_{t}^{(i)} + W^{(f)}\boldsymbol{o}_{t-1}^{(1)}\right)\right]^{T} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{o}_{t}^{(2)} = \left[1, \theta\left(W^{(2)}\boldsymbol{o}_{t}^{(1)} + W^{(b)}\boldsymbol{o}_{t+1}^{(2)}\right)\right]^{T}$ 



#### Multi-headed Attention

#### Scaled Dot-Product Attention







## AlexNet (Krizhevsky et al., 2012)

#### Transformers



Figure 1: The Transformer - model architecture.

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      - Lots of other relevant implementation details:
        - Optimizer: Adam = SGD with Momentum + RMSprop (variant of AdaGrad)
        - Regularization: Normalized weight decay (variant of L2 regularization)
        - Hyperparameter tuning, bias mitigation, etc...

#### Key Takeaways

• You are ready (at least in theory) to go out and learn about the latest machine learning models/concepts

• You're also equipped to succeed in subsequent machine learning courses you might take

 You all have been a great class, thanks for an amazing summer!