

CS570 박사자격 시험

1. [20 points] Consider a linear model of the form

$$y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^D w_i x_i$$

together with a sum-of-squares error function of the form

$$error_D(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^N \{y(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{w}) - r_t\}^2$$

Now suppose that Gaussian noise ϵ_i with zero mean and variance σ^2 is added independently to each of the input variables x_i . Show that minimizing $error_D$ averaged over the noise distribution is equivalent to minimizing the sum-of-squares error for noise-free input variables with the addition of some weight-decay regularization term.

2. [20 points] Consider a binary classification problem in which each observation \mathbf{x}_n is known to belong to one of two classes, corresponding to $t = 0$ and $t = 1$, and suppose that the procedure for collecting training data is imperfect, so that training points are sometimes mislabeled. For every data point \mathbf{x}_n , instead of having a value t for the class label, we have instead a value π_n representing the probability that $t_n = 1$. Given a probabilistic model $p(t = 1 | \phi(\mathbf{x}))$, write down the log likelihood function appropriate to such a data set.
3. [60 points] Consider Gaussian Mixture Model $p(\mathbf{x} | \theta) = \sum_k \pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$, and the log likelihood $\ell(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^N \log p(\mathbf{x}_n | \theta)$. Define the posterior responsibility that cluster k has for datapoint \mathbf{x}_n as:

$$r_{nk} = p(z_n = k | \mathbf{x}_n, \theta) = \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}{\sum_{k'=1}^K \pi_{k'} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_n | \mu_{k'}, \Sigma_{k'})}$$

- Derive formula for the gradient of the log likelihood w.r.t. μ_k : $d\ell(\theta)/d\mu_k = \dots$
- Do the same for $d\ell(\theta)/d\pi_k = \dots$
- We need to fix the above formula since we need to impose the constraint $\sum_k \pi_k = 1$. This can be done by reparameterizing with the softmax function $\pi_k = \exp(w_k) / \sum_{k'} \exp(w_{k'})$. Now, derive the formula for the gradient $d\ell(\theta)/dw_k = \dots$
- Derive formula for the gradient w.r.t. Σ_k : $d\ell(\theta)/d\Sigma_k = \dots$
- We also need to fix the above formula since we need Σ_k to be symmetric positive definite. This can be done by reparameterizing with Cholesky decomposition $\Sigma_k = \mathbf{R}_k^T \mathbf{R}_k$ where \mathbf{R}_k is an upper-triangular matrix. Derive the gradient w.r.t. \mathbf{R}_k : $d\ell(\theta)/d\mathbf{R}_k = \dots$
- What are the advantages of EM over this gradient ascent approach?