Linear classifiers: prediction equations

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Dot Products



np.sum(x*y)	
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• x@y is called the dot product of \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} , and is written $x \cdot y$.

Linear classifier prediction

- raw model output = coefficients \cdot features + intercept
- Linear classifier prediction: compute raw model output, check the sign
 - if positive, predict one class
 - if negative, predict the other class 0
- This is the same for logistic regression and linear SVM
 - fit is different but predict is the same 0

How LogisticRegression makes predictions

raw model output = coefficients \cdot features + intercept

lr = LogisticRegression()

lr.fit(X,y)

lr.predict(X)[10]

0

lr.predict(X)[20]





How LogisticRegression makes predictions (cont.)

lr.coef_ @ X[10] + lr.intercept_ # raw model output

array([-33.78572166])

lr.coef_ @ X[20] + lr.intercept_ # raw model output

array([0.08050621])











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What is a loss function?

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Least squares: the squared loss

- scikit-learn's LinearRegression minimizes a loss: n $(true ith target value - predicted ith target value)^2$ i=1
- Minimization is with respect to coefficients or parameters of the model.
- Note that in scikit-learn model.score() isn't necessarily the loss function.

Classification errors: the 0-1 loss

- Squared loss not appropriate for classification problems (more on this later).
- A natural loss for classification problem is the number of errors.
- This is the **O-1 loss**: it's O for a correct prediction and 1 for an incorrect prediction.
- But this loss is hard to minimize!

Minimizing a loss

from scipy.optimize import minimize

minimize(np.square, 0).x

array([0.])

minimize(np.square, 2).x

array([-1.88846401e-08])



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Loss function diagrams

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0-1 loss diagram

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Linear regression loss diagram



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Logistic loss diagram



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Hinge loss diagram



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