

Lecture 6 Fisher Information

IEMS 402 Statistical Learning

Northwestern

Asymptotic Normality

Asymptotic Theory for ERM?

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For example: maximum likelihood $l_{\theta}(x) := \log P_{\theta}(x)$

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Asymptotic theory

Theorem

Let $X_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} P_{\theta_0}$ and assume $\hat{\theta}_n = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} P_n \ell_{\theta}(X)$ is consistent.

Define the covariance

$$\Sigma_{\theta} := (P_{\theta} \nabla^2 \ell_{\theta}(X))^{-1} \operatorname{Cov}_{\theta}(\nabla \ell_{\theta}(X)) (P_{\theta} \nabla^2 \ell_{\theta}(X))^{-1}$$

Under the previous assumptions,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_{\theta_0})$$

- ▶ “typically” $\Sigma_{\theta} = -(P_{\theta} \nabla^2 \ell_{\theta}(X))^{-1} = \operatorname{Cov}_{\theta}(\dot{\ell}_{\theta})$

Proof

Bias-variance trade-off in Asymptotic?

Not Required

Duchi J, Ruan F. Asymptotic optimality in stochastic optimization. arXiv preprint arXiv:1612.05612, 2016.

Moment Estimator

if we know $e(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim P_\theta}[F(X)]$, we define $e(\hat{\theta}_n) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_n} f(X)$

Inverse Function Theorem

$$(F^{-1})'(t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} F^{-1}(t) = (F'(F^{-1}(t)))^{-1}.$$

Hints for future research

$f(\theta) = \arg \min_f F_\theta(f)$, What is $f'(\theta)$?

Not Required

Exponential Family

Definition 3.1. $\{P_\theta\}_{\theta \in \Theta}$ is a regular exponential family if there is a sufficient statistic $T : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ such that P_θ has density

$$P_\theta = \exp(\theta^T T(x) - A(\theta))$$

with respect to μ , where $A(\theta) = \log \int e^{\theta^T T(x)} d\mu(x)$.

Fact: Moment estimator for exp family using moment T equals to ERM estimator

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Fisher Information

Definition (Fisher information)

For a model family $\{P_\theta\}$ on \mathcal{X} , the *Fisher information* is

$$I(\theta) := \mathbb{E}_\theta[\nabla \ell_\theta(X) \nabla \ell_\theta(X)^\top]$$

► when \mathbb{E} and ∇ are interchangeable, then $I(\theta) = -\mathbb{E}[\nabla^2 \ell_\theta(X)]$

$$\nabla \ell_\theta(x) = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \log p_\theta(x) \right]_{j=1}^d \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

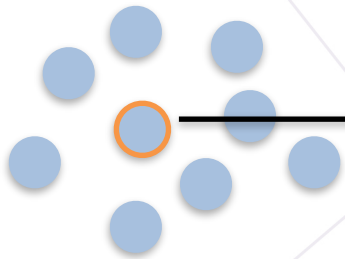
$$\nabla^2 \ell_\theta(x) = \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \log p_\theta(x) \right]_{i,j=1}^d \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d},$$

Cramér–Rao lower bound

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Influence Function

influence function



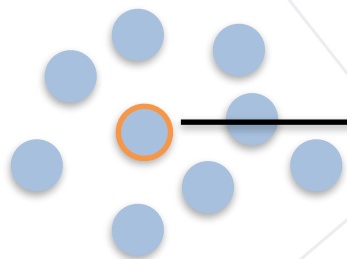
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Influence function: $\frac{d\hat{\theta}_{\epsilon}}{d\epsilon}$



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$$\mathcal{I}_{\text{up, params}}(z) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left. \frac{d\hat{\theta}_{\epsilon, z}}{d\epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=0} = - \underbrace{H_{\hat{\theta}}^{-1}}_{\substack{\text{Hessian of all data} \\ \text{Gradient of the data of interest}}} \nabla_{\theta} L(z, \hat{\theta}),$$

Take gradient respect to ϵ

$$\sum_{i=1}^n H_{\theta} l(x_i, y_i; \hat{\theta}_\epsilon) \frac{d\hat{\theta}_\epsilon}{d\epsilon} + \epsilon H_{\theta} l(x_n, y_n; \hat{\theta}_\epsilon) \frac{d\hat{\theta}_\epsilon}{d\epsilon} + \nabla_{\theta} l(x_n, y_n; \hat{\theta}_\epsilon) = 0$$



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Applications

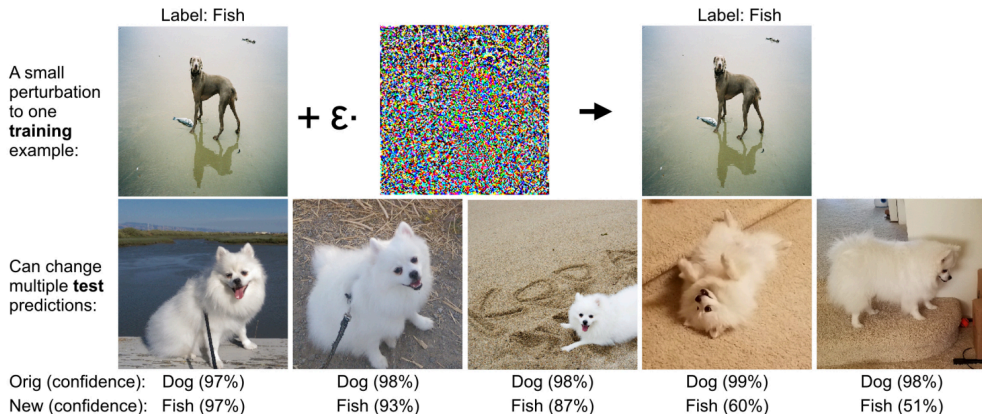
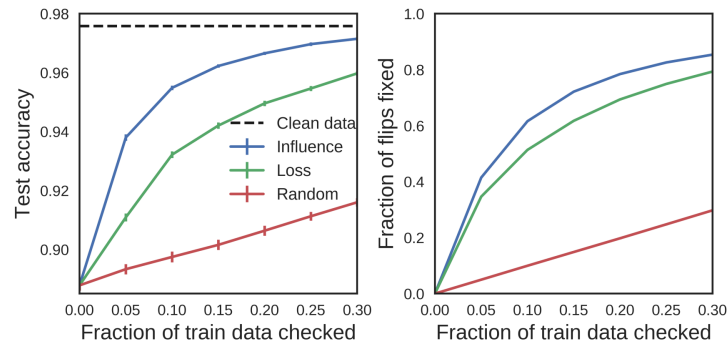


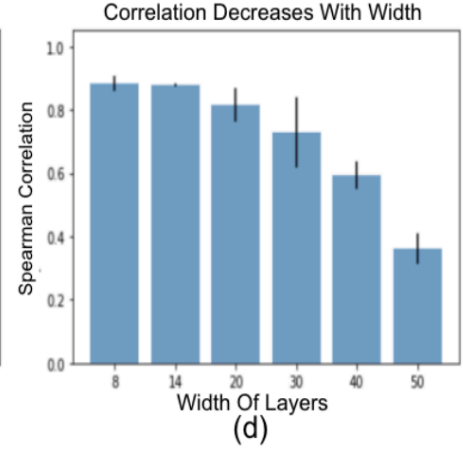
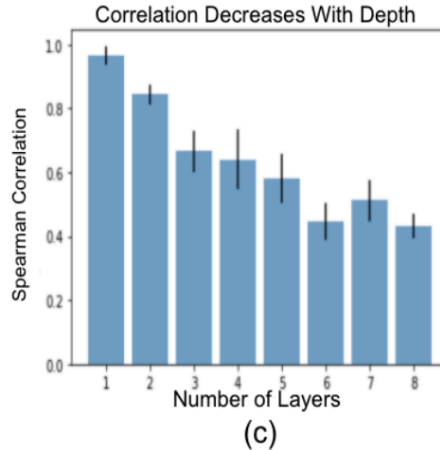
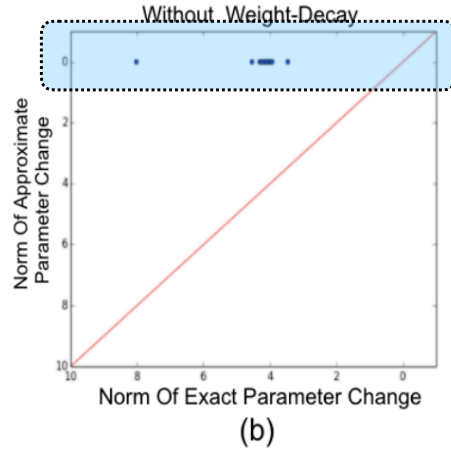
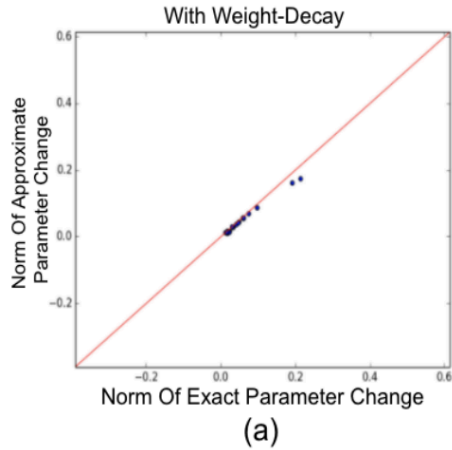
Figure 5. Training-set attacks. We targeted a set of 30 test images featuring the first author's dog in a variety of poses and backgrounds. By maximizing the average loss over these 30 images, we found a visually-imperceptible change to the particular training image (shown on top) that flipped 1 test imag



Checking mislabeled data

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1703.04730>

However



<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2006.14651>

Overparameterize: SVM example

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