

ERM $\longleftrightarrow$ MAX LIKELIHOOD

MAX-LIKELIHOOD? $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1, \dots, m}$ $D \sim P^m$, $P = P(x, y)$

$$P(x, y) = P(x) \underbrace{P(y|x)}$$

we make hypothesis on it $P(y|x) = P(y|x, \theta)$

$$L(\theta; D) = \sum_{i=1}^m \log P(y_i | x_i, \theta),$$

$$\theta_{ML} = \arg\max_{\theta} L(\theta; D) = \arg\min_{\theta} -L(\theta; D) =$$

$$\arg\min_{\theta} -L(\theta; D) = \arg\min_{\theta} \left(-\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log P(y_i | x_i, \theta) \right)$$

$\approx \arg\min_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{P(x, y)} [-\log P(y | x, \theta)]$

cross
entropy

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\ell(x, y, \theta) = -\log p(y|x, \theta)}$$

What is $\mathcal{H}$?

• REGRESSION $h(x, \theta) = \mathbb{E}_y[p(y|x, \theta)]$

• CLASSIFICATION $h(x, \theta) = \arg \max_y p(y|x, \theta)$ (Bayes decision rule)

Choices of $p(y|x, \theta)$

• REGRESSION $p(y|x, \theta) = \mathcal{N}(h_\theta(x), \sigma^2)$

$$\Rightarrow -\log p(y|x, \theta) \propto (y - h_\theta(x))^2$$