



HW1 due Thursday



Classification Logistic Regression

Machine Learning – CSE546

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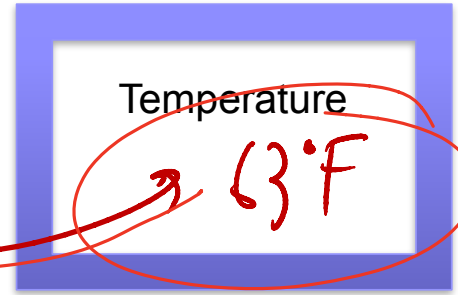
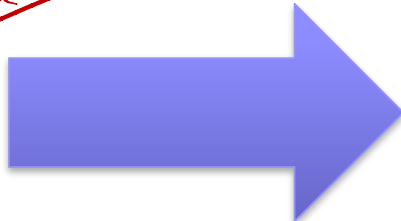
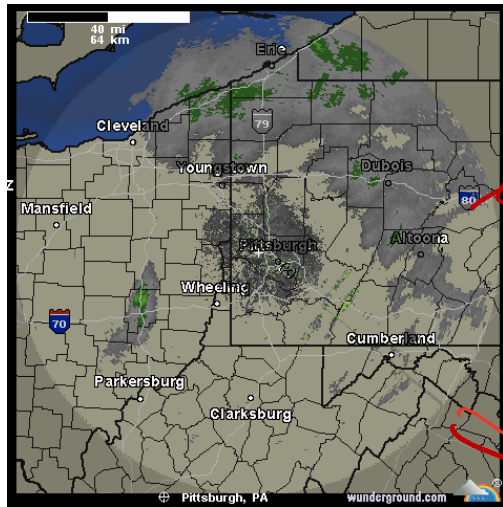
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**THUS FAR, REGRESSION:
PREDICT A CONTINUOUS VALUE GIVEN
SOME INPUTS**

Weather prediction revisited



Reading Your Brain, Simple Example

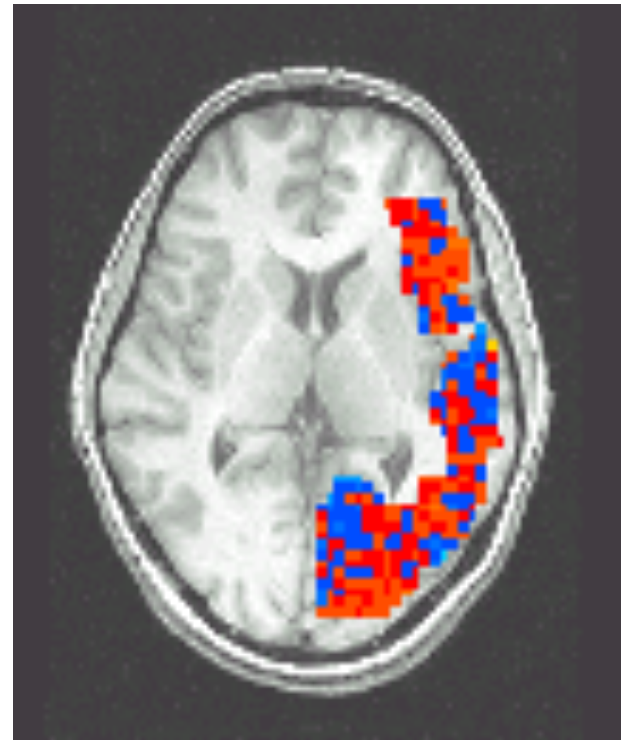
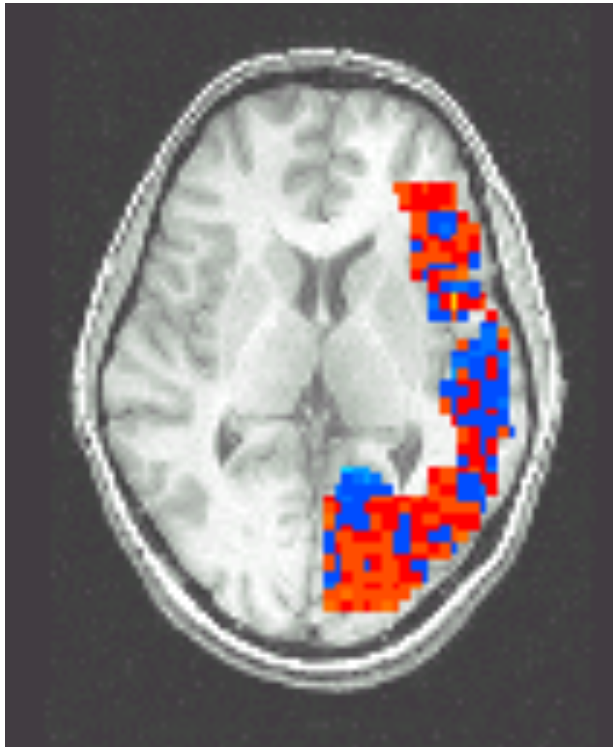
[Mitchell et al.]

Pairwise classification accuracy: 85%

Person



Animal



Binary Classification

- Learn: $f: X \rightarrow Y$
 - X – features
 - Y – target classes

$$Y \in \{0, 1\}$$

- Loss function: $\mathbb{1}\{f(x) \neq y\}$

- Expected loss of f :

$$\mathbb{E}_{XY} [\mathbb{1}\{f(x) \neq Y\}] = \mathbb{E}_X \left[\underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{Y|X} [\mathbb{1}\{f(x) \neq Y\}]}_{Y|X} \right]$$

$$\sum_i \mathbb{1}\{f(x) \neq i\} P(Y=i|X=x) = \sum_{i \neq f(x)} P(Y=i|X=x) = 1 - P(Y=f(x)|X=x)$$

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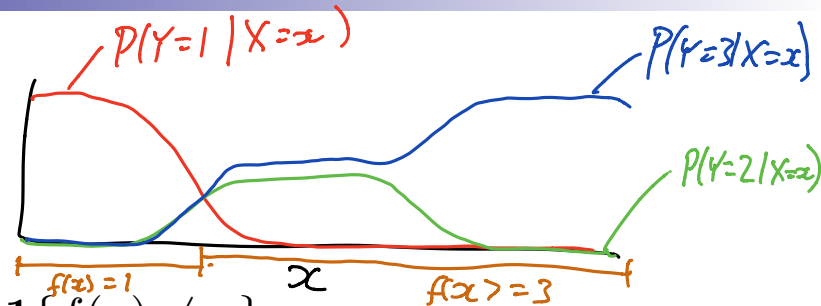
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Link Functions

- Estimating $P(Y|\mathbf{X})$: Why not use standard linear regression?

$$\cancel{P(Y=1|X=x) = x^T w_1}$$

We need a function that maps $x \in \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0,1]$

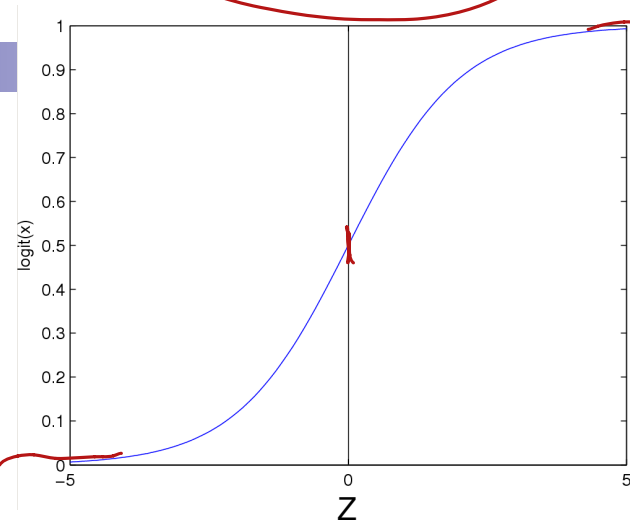
- Combining regression and probability?
 - Need a mapping from real values to $[0,1]$
 - A link function!

Logistic Regression

Logistic function (or Sigmoid): $\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-z)}$

- Learn $P(Y|\mathbf{X})$ directly
 - Assume a particular functional form for link function
 - Sigmoid applied to a linear function of the input features:

$$P(Y = 0|X, W) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(w_0 + \sum_i w_i X_i)}$$



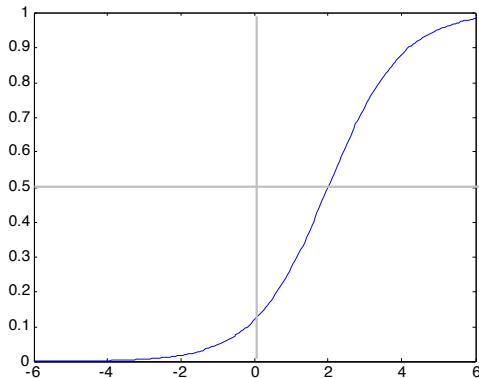
Features can be discrete or continuous!

Understanding the sigmoid

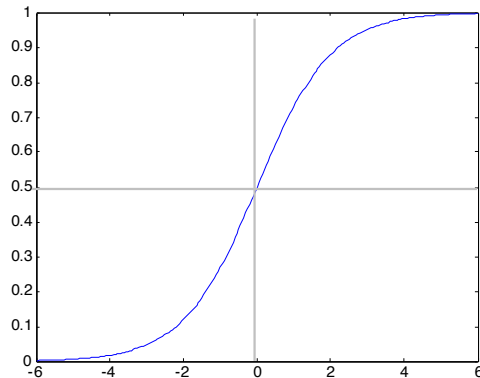
$$g(w_0 + \sum_i w_i x_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{w_0 + \sum_i w_i x_i}}$$

w₀ = 0, w₁ = -2

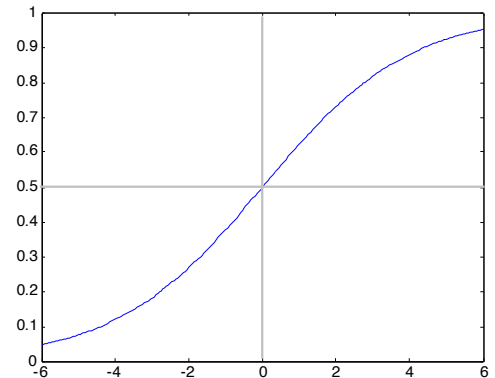
$$w_0 = -2, w_1 = -1$$



$$w_0 = 0, w_1 = -1$$



$$w_0 = 0, w_1 = -0.5$$



Sigmoid for binary classes

$$\mathbb{P}(Y = 0|w, X) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(w_0 + \sum_k w_k X_k)}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(Y = 1|w, X) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(Y = 0|w, X) = \frac{\exp(w_0 + \overbrace{\sum_k w_k X_k}^{w^T X})}{1 + \exp(w_0 + \sum_k w_k X_k)}$$

$$\frac{\mathbb{P}(Y = 1|w, X)}{\mathbb{P}(Y = 0|w, X)} = \exp(w_0 + w^T X) \begin{matrix} > 1 \\ < 0 \end{matrix}$$

$$\log(\downarrow) = w_0 + w^T X \begin{matrix} > 0 \\ < 0 \end{matrix}$$

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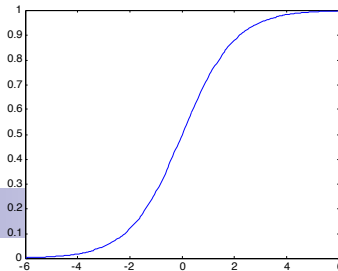
$$\frac{\mathbb{P}(Y = 1|w, X)}{\mathbb{P}(Y = 0|w, X)} = \exp(w_0 + \sum_k w_k X_k)$$

Linear Decision Rule!

$$\log \frac{\mathbb{P}(Y = 1|w, X)}{\mathbb{P}(Y = 0|w, X)} = w_0 + \sum_k w_k X_k$$

Logistic Regression – a Linear classifier

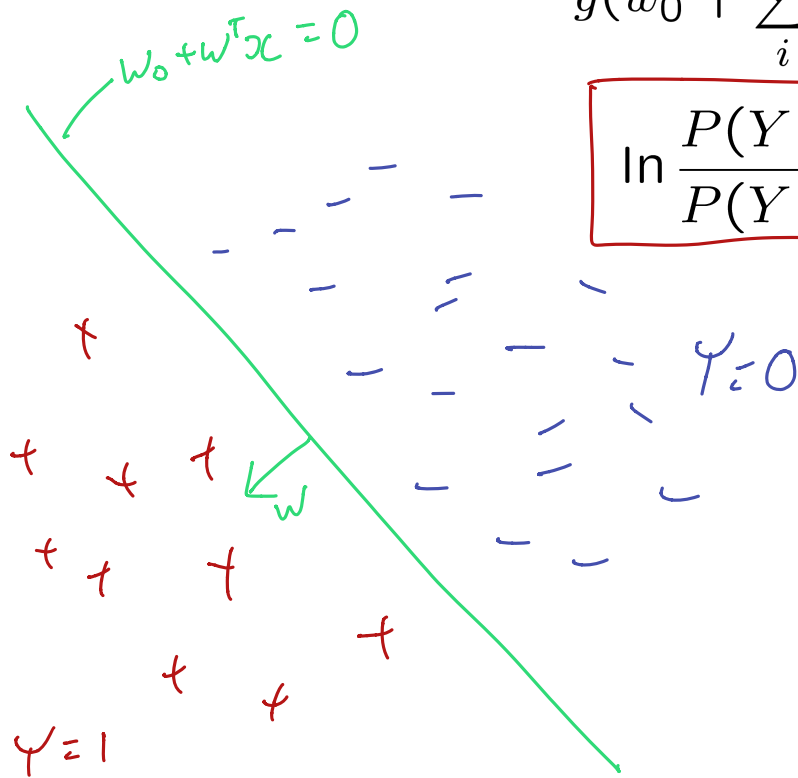
$$\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-z)}$$



$$g(w_0 + \sum_i w_i x_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{w_0 + \sum_i w_i x_i}}$$

$$\ln \frac{P(Y = 0|X)}{P(Y = 1|X)} = w_0 + \sum_i w_i X_i$$

$$= w_0 + w^T X$$



Loss function: Conditional Likelihood

- Have a bunch of iid data of the form: $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$

$$P(Y = \underline{-1} | x, w) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\underline{w^T x})}$$

$$P(Y = \underline{1} | x, w) = \frac{\exp(w^T x)}{1 + \exp(w^T x)} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\underline{-w^T x})}$$

- This is equivalent to:

$$P(Y = y | x, w) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y w^T x)}$$

- So we can compute the maximum likelihood estimator:

$$\hat{w}_{MLE} = \arg \max_w \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i | x_i, w)$$

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Logistic Loss: $l_i(w) = \log(1 + \exp(-y_i x_i^T w))$

Squared error Loss: $l_i(w) = (y_i - x_i^T w)^2$ (MLE for Gaussian noise)

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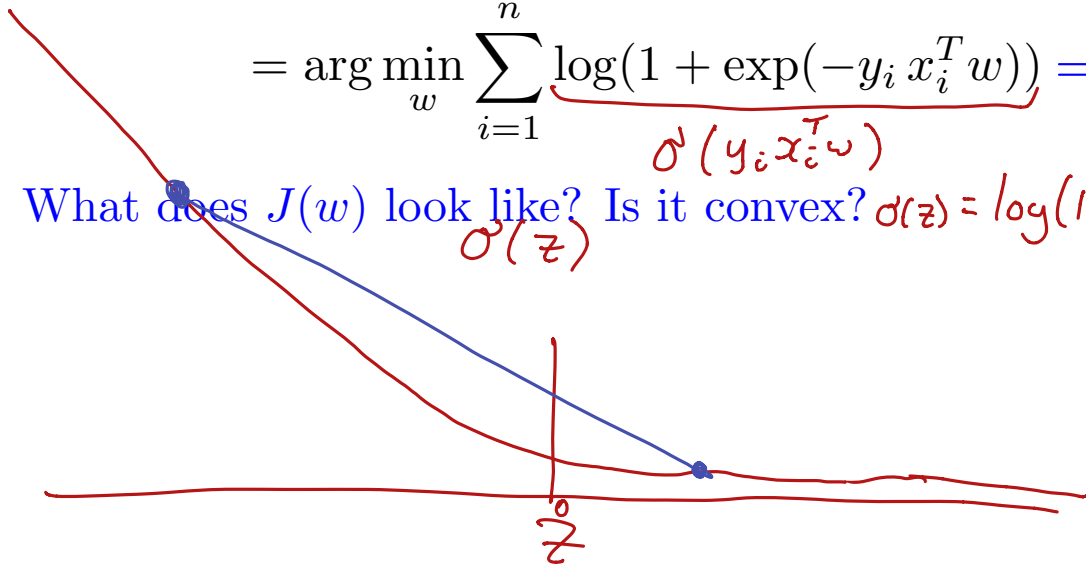
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$$= \arg \min_w \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + \exp(-y_i x_i^T w)) = J(w)$$

$\sigma(y_i x_i^T w)$

What does $J(w)$ look like? Is it convex? $\sigma(z) = \log(1 + \exp(-z))$

$\sigma(z)$



for $z \ll 0$, $\sigma(z) \approx |z|$
for $z \gg 0$, $\sigma(z) = 0$

f is convex if $f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y)$

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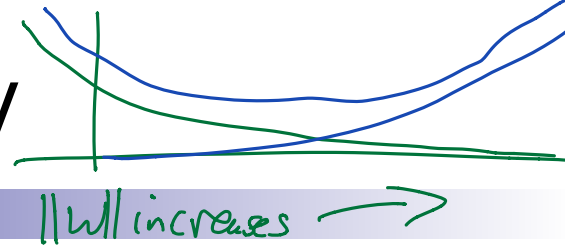
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Good news: $J(\mathbf{w})$ is convex function of \mathbf{w} , no local optima problems

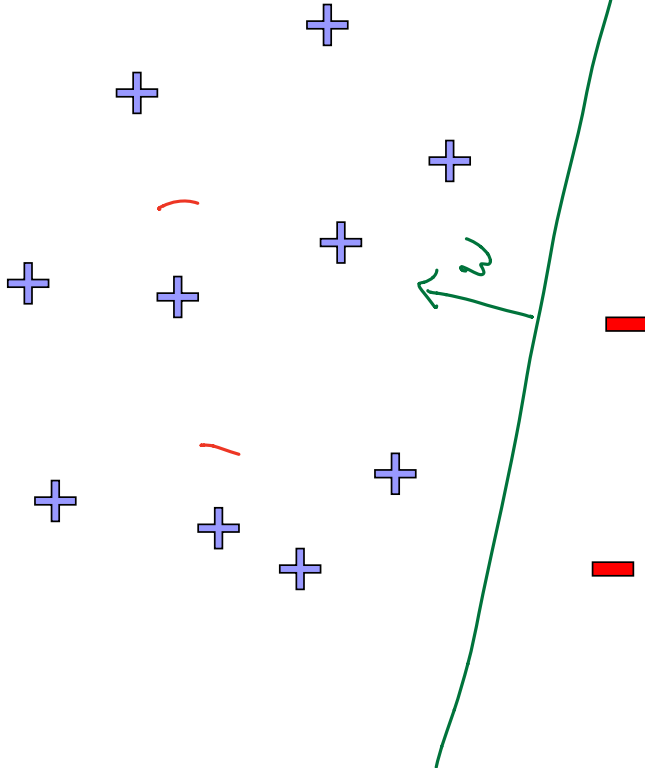
Bad news: no closed-form solution to maximize $J(\mathbf{w})$

Good news: convex functions easy to optimize

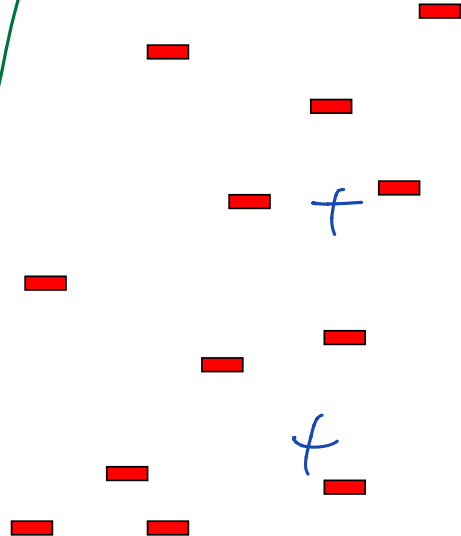
Linear Separability



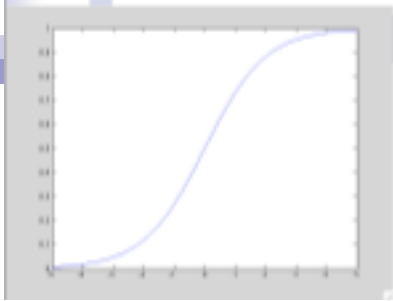
$$\arg \min_w \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + \exp(-y_i x_i^T w))$$



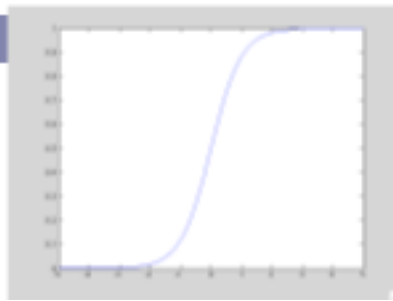
When is this loss small?



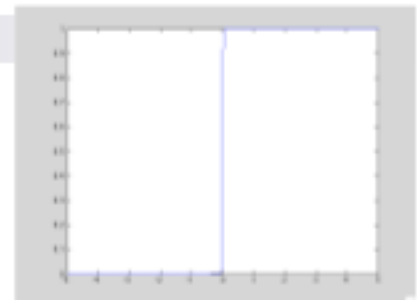
Large parameters \rightarrow Overfitting



$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{-2x}}$$



$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{-100x}}$$

- If data is linearly separable, weights go to infinity
 - In general, leads to overfitting:
- Penalizing high weights can prevent overfitting...

Regularized Conditional Log Likelihood

- Add regularization penalty, e.g., L_2 :

$$\arg \min_{w,b} \sum_{i=1}^n \log (1 + \exp(-y_i (x_i^T w + b))) + \lambda \|w\|_2^2$$

Be sure to not regularize the offset b !



Gradient Descent

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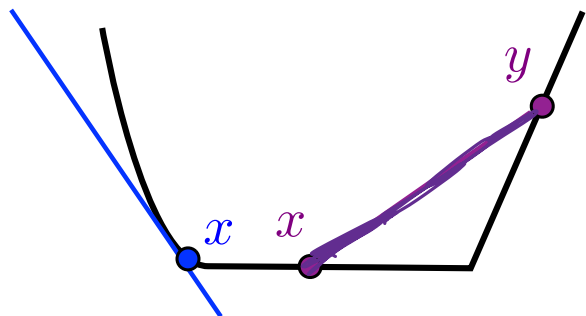
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g is a subgradient at x if
 $f(y) \geq f(x) + g^T(y - x)$

f convex:

$$f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y) \quad \forall x, y, \lambda \in [0, 1]$$

$$f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T(y - x) \quad \forall x, y$$

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How does software solve: $\frac{1}{2} \|Xw - y\|_2^2$

$$\equiv (x^T x)w = x^T y$$

Find x : $Ax = b$

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...its complicated:

(LAPACK, BLAS, MKL...)

Do you need high precision?

Is X column/row sparse?

Is \hat{w}_{LS} sparse?

Is $X^T X$ “well-conditioned”?

Can $X^T X$ fit in cache/memory?

Taylor Series Approximation

- Taylor series in one dimension:

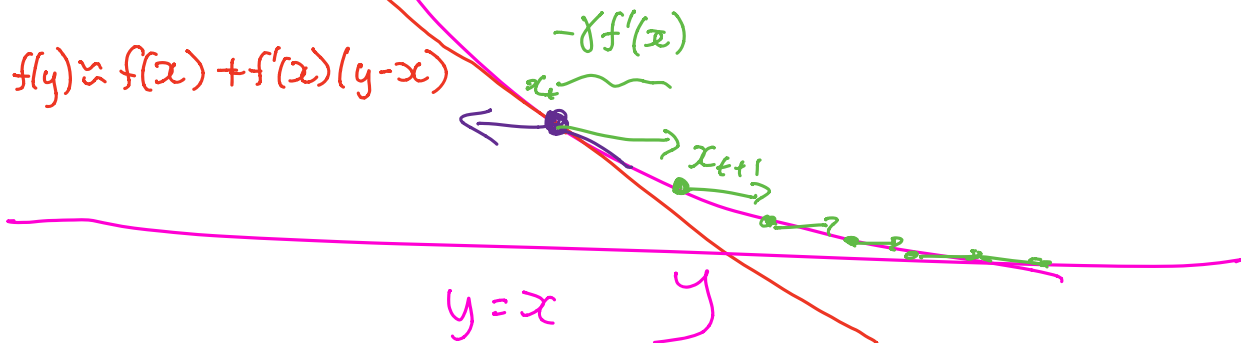
$$f(x + \delta) = \underbrace{f(x) + f'(x)\delta}_{\text{Taylor series approximation}} + \frac{1}{2}f''(x)\delta^2 + \dots$$

- Gradient descent:

Initialize $x_0 = 0$, randomly

$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \gamma f'(x_t)$$

$f(y)$ convex



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$$f(x + v) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T v + \frac{1}{2} v^T \nabla^2 f(x) v + \dots$$

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$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \gamma \nabla f(x_t)$$

Gradient Descent

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{2} \|Xw - y\|_2^2$$

$$w_{t+1} = w_t - \eta \nabla f(w_t)$$

$$\nabla f(w) = X^T (Xw - y) = X^T Xw - X^T y$$

$$w_{t+1} = w_t - \underbrace{\underbrace{X^T}_{d \times n} \underbrace{(Xw_t - y)}_{n \times 1}}_{d \times 1}$$

$$= w_t - \sum X^T X w_t + \sum X^T y$$

$$= (I - \sum X^T X) w_t + \sum X^T y$$

$$w_{t+1} - w_* = (I - \sum X^T X)(w_t - w_*) - \sum X^T X w_* + \sum X^T y$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum X^T X w_* + \sum X^T y &= \sum X^T (X w_* + y) \\ &= \sum \nabla f(w_*) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

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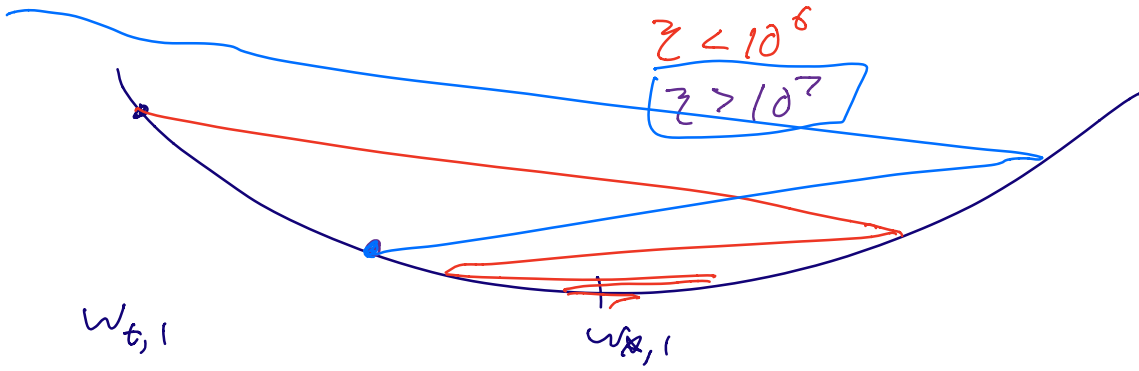
Example: $X = \begin{bmatrix} 10^{-3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $y = \begin{bmatrix} 10^{-3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $w_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $w_* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$X^T X = \begin{bmatrix} 10^{-6} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ D diagonal $\Rightarrow D^k = \text{high power of diagonal}$

$$(w_{t+1,1} - w_{*,1}) = (1 - 2 \cdot 10^{-6})^{t+1} (w_{0,1} - w_{*,1})$$

abs. value < 1 --

$$(w_{t+1,2} - w_{*,2}) = (1 - 2)^{t+1} (w_{0,2} - w_{*,2})$$

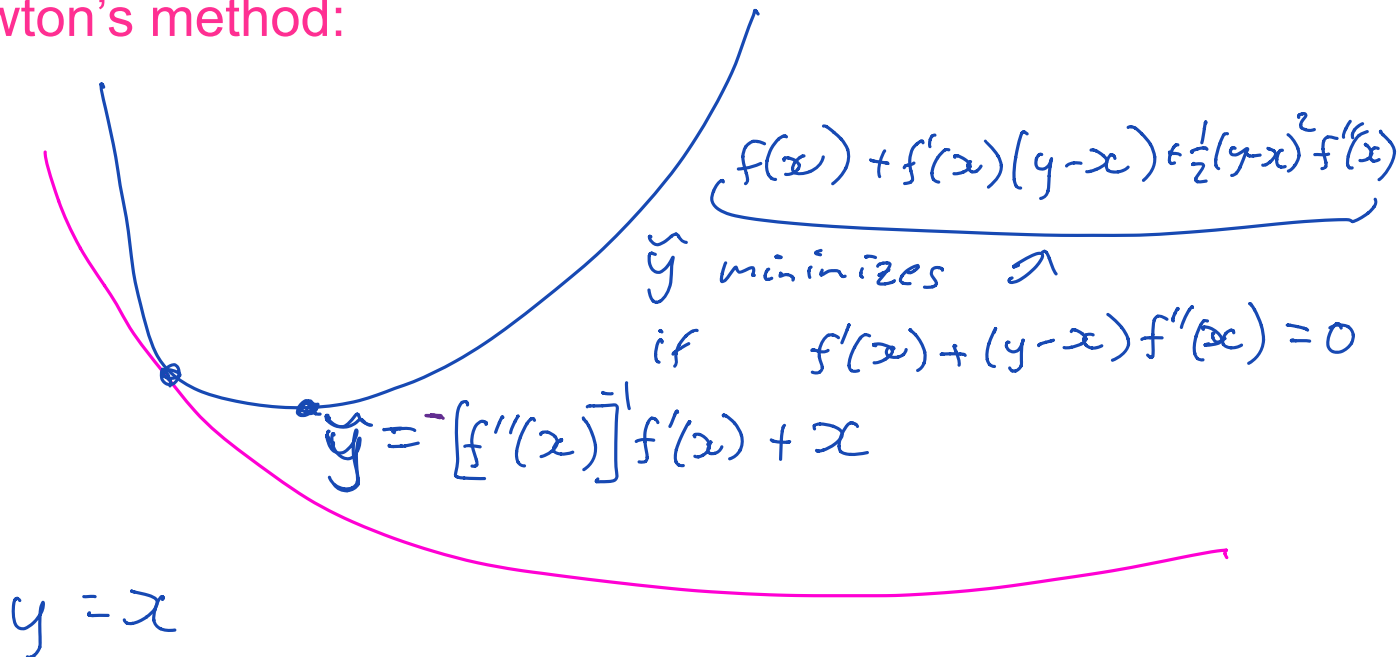


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$$x_{t+1} = x_t + \alpha v_t$$

$$v_t = -[\nabla^2 f(x)]^{-1} \nabla f(x)$$

Newton's Method

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{2} \|Xw - y\|_2^2$$

$$\nabla f(w) =$$

$$\nabla^2 f(w) =$$

$$v_t \text{ is solution to : } \nabla^2 f(w_t)v_t = -\nabla f(w_t)$$

$$w_{t+1} = w_t + \eta v_t$$

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$$\nabla f(w) = X^T (Xw - y)$$

$$\nabla^2 f(w) = X^T X$$

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For quadratics, Newton's method converges in one step! (Not a surprise, why?)

$$w_1 = w_0 - \eta(X^T X)^{-1}X^T (Xw_0 - y) = w_*$$

General case

In general for Newton's method to achieve $f(w_t) - f(w_*) \leq \epsilon$:

So why are ML problems overwhelmingly solved by gradient methods?

Hint: v_t is solution to : $\nabla^2 f(w_t)v_t = -\nabla f(w_t)$

General Convex case $f(w_t) - f(w_*) \leq \epsilon$

Newton's method:

$$t \approx \log(\log(1/\epsilon))$$

Gradient descent:

- f is *smooth* and *strongly convex*: $aI \preceq \nabla^2 f(w) \preceq bI$
- f is *smooth*: $\nabla^2 f(w) \preceq bI$
- f is potentially non-differentiable: $\|\nabla f(w)\|_2 \leq c$

Other: BFGS, Heavy-ball, BCD, SVRG, ADAM, Adagrad,...

Clean
converge
nice
proofs:
Bubeck

Nocedal
+Wright,
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Revisiting... Logistic Regression

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