

## **AI-501 Mathematics for AI**

**Logistic Regression** 

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## Outline

- Logistic Regression
- Decision Boundaries
- Loss/Cost Function
- Logistic Regression Gradient Descent
- Multi-class Logistic Regression



# **Classification**

### Recap:

• We assume we have training data D given by

 $D = \{ (\mathbf{x_1}, y_1), (\mathbf{x_2}, y_2), \dots, (\mathbf{x_n}, y_n) \} \subseteq \mathcal{X}^d \times \mathcal{Y}$ 

**Binary or Binomial Classification:** 

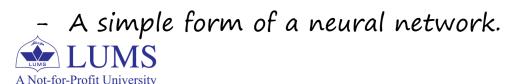
- $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1\}$  or  $\mathcal{Y} = \{-1, 1\}$
- Disease detection, spam email detection, fraudulent transaction, win/loss prediction, etc.
   <u>Multi-class (Multinomial) Classification:</u>
- $\mathcal{Y} = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$  (M-class classification)
- Emotion Detection.
- Vehicle Type, Make, model, of the vehicle from the images streamed by road cameras.
- Speaker Identification from Speech Signal.
- Sentiment Analysis (Categories: Positive, Negative, Neutral), Text Analysis.

- Take an image of the sky and determine the pollution level (healthy, moderate, hazard). LUNS
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## **Overview:**

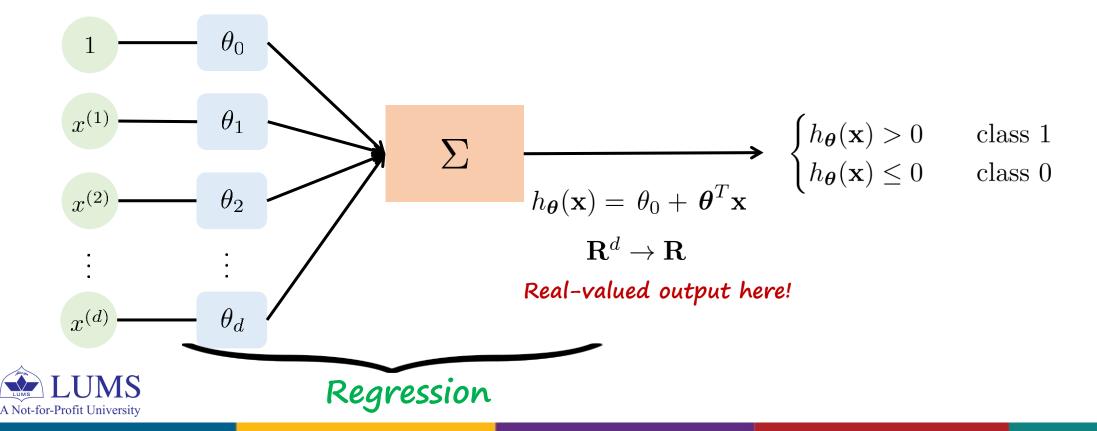
- kNN: Instance based Classifier
- Naïve Bayes: Generative Classifier
  - Indirectly compute P(y|x) as P(x|y) P(y) from the data using Bayes rule
- Logistic Regression: Discriminative Classifier
  - Estimate P(y|x) directly from the data
- 'Logistic regression' is an algorithm to carry out classification.
  - Name is misleading; the word 'regression' is due to the fact that the method attempts to fit a linear model in the feature space.
- Instead of predicting class, we compute the probability of instance being that class.
- Mathematically, model is characterized by variables  $\pmb{\theta}.$

$$h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = P(y|\mathbf{x})$$
 Posterior probability



## Model:

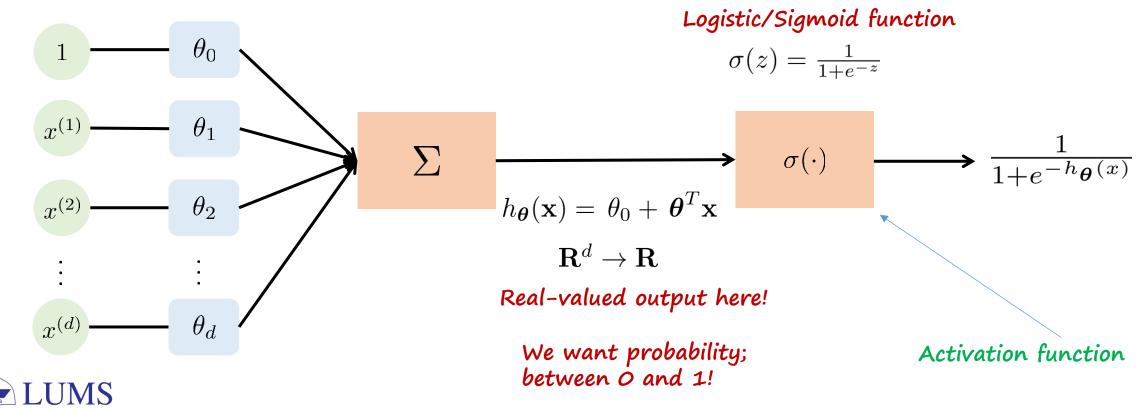
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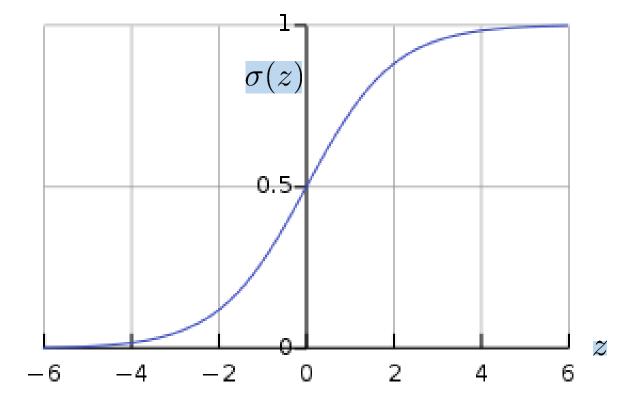
### Logistic (Sigmoid) Function

$$\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

- Interpretation: maps  $(-\infty, \infty)$  to (0, 1)
- Squishes values in  $(-\infty, \infty)$  to (0, 1)
- It is differentiable.
- Generalized logistic function:

 $\sigma(z) = \frac{L}{1 + e^{-k(z-z_0)}}$ 

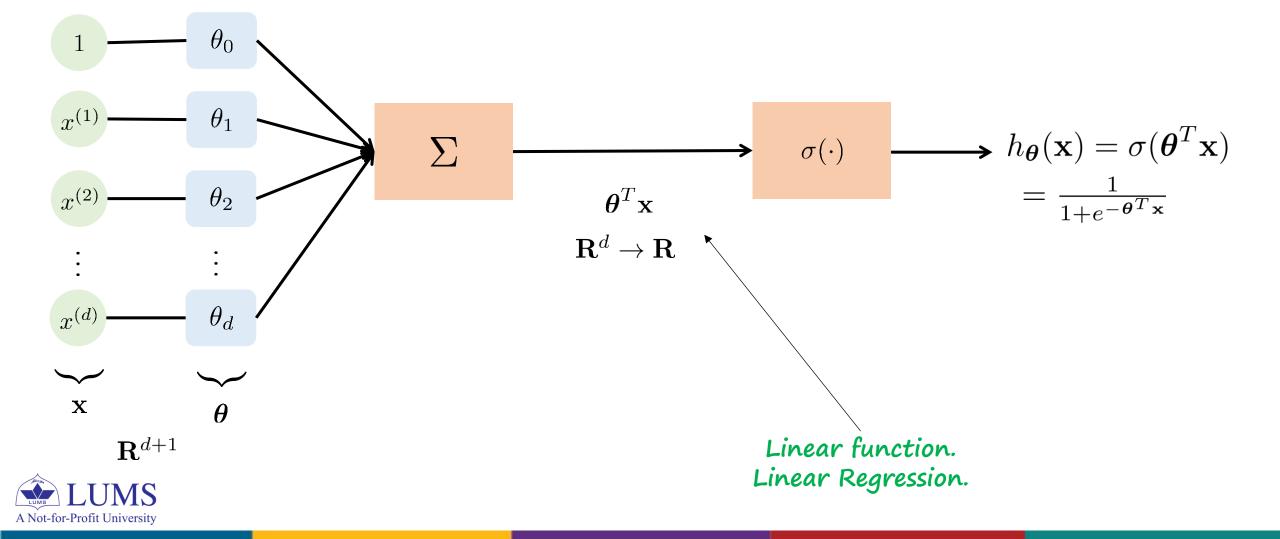
• Sigmoid: because of S shaped curve





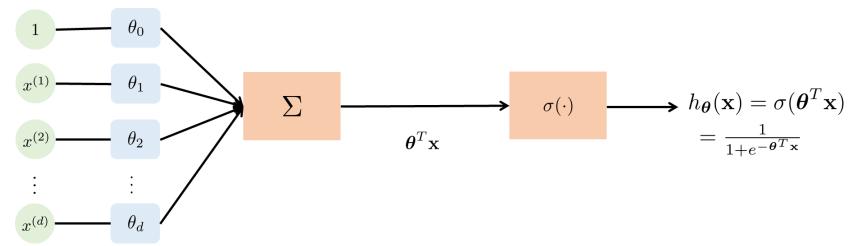
#### **Change in notation:**

- Treat bias term as an input feature for notational convenience.



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- $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})$  represents the probability of class membership.
- Assign class by applying threshold as

$$\hat{y} = \begin{cases} \text{Class 1} & \sigma(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}) > 0.5\\ \text{Class 0} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $\bullet~0.5$  is the threshold defining decision boundary.
- We can also use values other than 0.5 as threshold. LUMS

## Example:

- Disease prediction: Diagnose cancer given size of the tumor.
- Tumor size, x
- Binary output, y = 0 if tumor is benign and y = 1 for malignant tumor.
- Linear regression model attempt

 $h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(x) = \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x \bullet \text{output is real-valued } (-\infty, \infty)$ 

• Logistic regression model

$$h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(x) = \sigma(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x)}}$$

sigmoid squishes values from  $(-\infty, \infty)$  to (0, 1)

• If  $h_{\theta}(x) = 0.65$  for any tumor size x, class label? malignant, because  $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})$ 



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#### **Decision Boundary:**

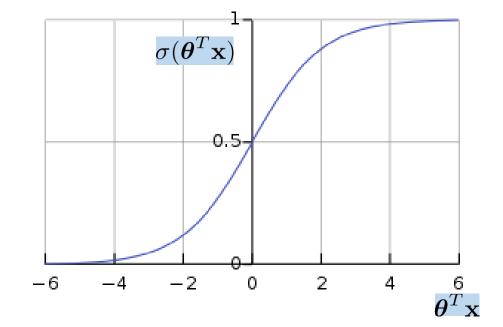
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$$\hat{y} = \begin{cases} \text{Class 1} & \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} > 0\\ \text{Class 0} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- All **x** for which  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} > 0$  classified as Class 1.
- What does  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} > 0$  represent?
  - It represents a half-space in *d*-dimensional space.
  - $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = 0$  represents a hyperplane in *d*-dimensional space.
  - Need a brief explanation!

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## Hyper-Plane:

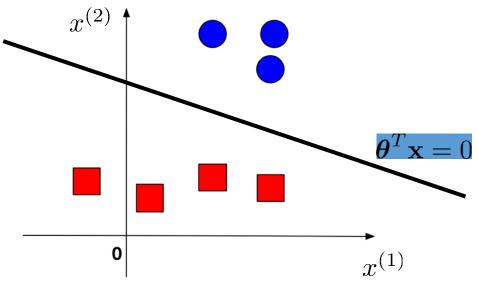
• d = 1

•  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = 0$  represent a hyperplane in *d*-dimensional space.

 $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{x} = \theta_{0} + \theta_{1} x^{(1)} = 0$   $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{T} \mathbf{x} = \theta_{0} + \theta_{1} x^{(1)} + \theta_{2} x^{(2)} = 0$   $\boldsymbol{x}^{(2)}$ 

 $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  defines a normal to the hyper-plane.

- Hyper-plane  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = 0$  divides the space into two half-spaces.
  - Half-space  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} > 0$  Half-space  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} < 0$





Source: https://www.cs.cornell.edu/courses/cs4780/2018sp/lectures/lecturenote03.html

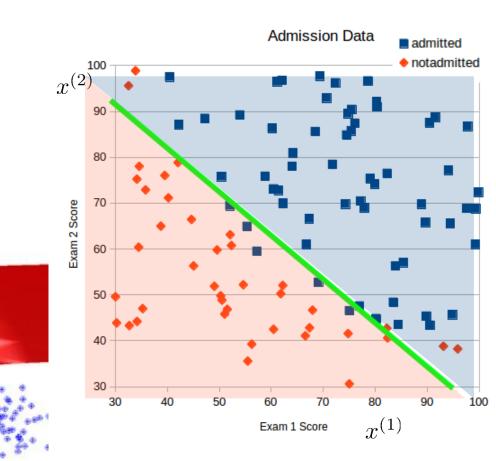
### **Decision Boundary - Example:**

$$\hat{y} = \begin{cases} \text{Class 1} & \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} > 0\\ \text{Class 0} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Predict admission given exam 1 and exam 2 scores (d = 2)
- All **x** for which  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} > 0$  classified as Class 1.
- $\theta^T \mathbf{x} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(1)} + \theta_2 x^{(2)} = 0$
- Given after learning from the data.

$$\theta_0 = -92 \qquad \theta_1 = 92/95 \qquad \theta_2 = 1$$

• Sigmoid returns close to 1 or 0 for points farther from the boundary.



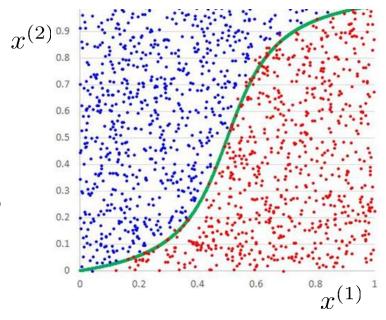


#### **Non-linear Decision Boundary:**

- Can we have non-linear decision boundaries in logistic regression?
- We first understand the origin of the linear decision boundary.
- $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = 0$  represents a linear combination of the features.
- Connect with the concept of polynomial regression.
- Replace linear with polynomial; consider the following model, for example, for d = 2,

Linear boundary:  $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(1)} + \theta_2 x^{(2)})$ 

Non-linear boundary: 
$$h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(1)} + \theta_2 x^{(2)} + \theta_3 (x^{(1)})^2 + \theta_4 (x^{(2)})^2 \right)$$





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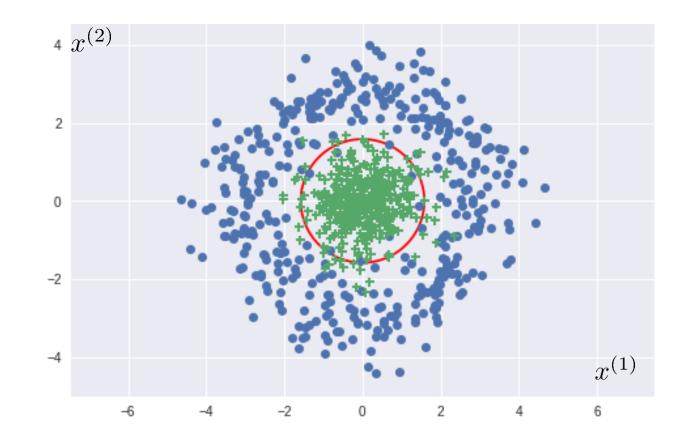
• Given after learning from the data.

 $\theta_0 = -2.25 \quad \theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0 \qquad \theta_3 = \theta_4 = 1$ 

$$h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma \left( -1 + (x^{(1)})^2 + (x^{(2)})^2 \right)$$

Boundary:  $(x^{(1)})^2 + (x^{(2)})^2 = 2.25$ 

(Circle of radius 1.5)





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•  $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1\}$ 

Logistic regression model:

$$h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}}$$

 $\boldsymbol{\theta} = [\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_d]$   $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  represents d+1 parameters of the model.

- Objective: Given the training data, that is **n** training samples, we want to find the parameters of the model.
- We first formulate the loss (cost, objective) function that we want to optimize.
- We will employ gradient descent to solve the optimization problem.

### Loss/Cost Function:

- Candidate 1: Squared-error, the one we used in regression.

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \sigma(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}_i) - y_i \right)^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}_i}} - y_i \right)^2$$

- We wish to have a loss function that is differentiable and convex.
- The squared-error is not a convex function due to sigmoid operation.
- Due to non-convexity, we cannot numerically solve to find the global minima.
- Furthermore, the hypothesis function is estimating probability and we do not use difference operation to determine the distance between the two probability distributions.



## Loss/Cost Function:

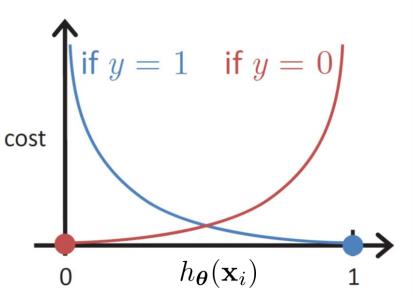
- Candidate 2: Cross entropy loss or Log loss function is used when classifier output is in terms of probability.
- Idea: Cross-entropy loss increases when the predicted probability diverges from the actual label.
  - If the actual class is 1 and the model predicts O, we should highly penalize it and vice-versa.
- Loss/cost function for single training example:

$$\operatorname{cost}(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{i}), y_{i}) = \begin{cases} -\log(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{i})) & y = 1\\ -\log(1 - h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_{i})) & y = 0 \end{cases}$$

For  $y_i = 1$ ,

• cost=0 when  $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i) = 1$ 

- cost= $\infty$  when  $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i) = 0$
- Mismatch is penalized: larger mistakes get larger penalties LUMS
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## Loss/Cost Function:

- We can also express the loss/cost for one training sample as

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$$\operatorname{cost}(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) = -y_i \log(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) - (1 - y_i) \log(1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

- Using this formulation, we define the loss function:

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \log(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

- Since cost for each sample penalizes mismatch, this loss function prefers the correct class label to be more likely.
- Finding parameters that minimizes loss function or maximizes negative of the loss function is, in fact, maximum likelihood estimation (MLE). How?
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## Loss/Cost Function:

- We can also reformulate the loss/cost for one training sample as

$$\operatorname{cost}(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) = -y_i \log(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i)) - (1 - y_i) \log(1 - h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

$$\operatorname{cost}(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) = -\log\left(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))^{y_i} (1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))^{(1-y_i)}\right)$$

Inside the log; we have a

- likelihood function since  $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i)$  gives us probability of  $y_i = 1$ .
- probability mass function,  $(p^{y_i})(1-p)^{1-y_i}$ , of Bernoulli random variable.
- Cost is the negative log-likelihood function, also referred to as cross-entropy loss.
- Minimizing cost; equivalent to maximization of log-likelihood or likelihood.
- Therefore,  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  that minimizes  $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ , maximizes likelihood.



#### **Model Training (Learning of Parameters):**

- We have following optimization problem in hand:

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\theta}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \log(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

- We do not attempt to find analytical solution.
- We can use properties of convex functions, composition rules and concavity of log to show that the loss function is a convex function.
- We use gradient descent to numerically solve the optimization problem.



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### **Gradient Descent:**

• For gradient descent, we defined the following update in each iteration:

$$\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_j}, \quad \alpha > 0$$

- $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_j}$ : Rate of change in the loss function with respect to  $\theta_j$
- $\alpha$  is referred to as step size or learning rate.
- Idea: step size in the direction of negative of the derivative.

#### Algorithm (we have seen this before): Overall:

• Start with some  $\theta \in \mathbf{R}^d$  and keep updating to reduce the loss function until we reach the minimum. Repeat until convergence

## Pseudo-code:

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- Initialize  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbf{R}^d$ .
- Repeat until convergence:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \theta_{j} \leftarrow \theta_{j} - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_{j}}, & \text{for each} \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, d \end{array} \qquad \qquad \boldsymbol{\theta} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\theta} - \alpha \, \nabla \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & \quad \textbf{Note: Simultaneous update.} \\ \hline \boldsymbol{\mathbb{LUMS}} \end{array}$$

#### **Gradient Descent Computation:**

• How to compute  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_i}$ ?

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \log(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

• Derivative is linear; drop subscript i and compute for each training sample.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( y \log(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})) + (1-y) \log(1-h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})) \right) = \left( y \frac{1}{h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})} - (1-y) \frac{1}{1-h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \right)$$

• Noting 
$$h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}} \quad 1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}}$$

• We can write

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) \right) = \frac{e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}}{\left( 1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}} \right)^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} \right) = \frac{e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}} \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}} \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x}}} x^{(j)} = h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) (1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x})) x^{(j)}$$



#### **Gradient Descent Computation:**

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( y \log(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})) + (1-y) \log(1-h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})) \right)$$

$$= \left(y\frac{1}{h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})} - (1-y)\frac{1}{1-h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})}\right)\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta_{j}}\left(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \right) = h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \left( 1 - h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \right)_{\mathcal{X}}^{(j)}$$

$$=\frac{y(1-h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}))-(1-y)h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})}{h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})(1-h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}))} \quad h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})(1-h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x})) x^{(j)}$$

$$= (y - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}))_{x^{(j)}} = -(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}) - y)_{x^{(j)}}$$

#### **Overall:**

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_j} = -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( y_i \log(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) + (1-y_i) \log(1-h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) \right)$$

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### **Multi-Class (Multinomial) Classification:**

•  $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, M-1\}$  (M-class classification)

## **Option 1: Build a one-vs-all (OvA) one-vs-rest (OvR) classifier:**

- Train M different binary logistic regression classifiers  $h_0(\mathbf{x}), h_1(\mathbf{x}), \ldots, h_{M-1}(\mathbf{x})$ .
- Classifier  $h_i(\mathbf{x})$  is trained to classify if  $\mathbf{x}$  belongs to *i*-th class or not.
- For a new test point  $\mathbf{z}$ , get scores for each classifier, that is,  $s_i = h_i(\mathbf{z})$ .
- $s_i$  represents the probability that **z** belongs to class *i*.
- Predict the label as  $\hat{y} = \max_{i=0,1,2,\dots,M-1} s_i$



Select label for which

the sum is maximum

 $P_1(A) + P_3(A)$ 

 $P_2(B)$ 

 $P_3(C)$ 

### **Multi-Class (Multinomial) Classification:**

•  $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, M-1\}$  (M-class classification)

### **Option 2: Build an all-vs-all classifier (commonly known as one-vs-one classifier):**

- Train  $\binom{M}{2} = \frac{(M)(M-1)}{2}$  different binary logistic regression classifiers  $h_{i,j}(\mathbf{x})$ .
- Classifier  $h_{i,j}(\mathbf{x})$  is trained to classify if  $\mathbf{x}$  belongs to *i*-th class or *j*-th class.
- For a new test point  $\mathbf{z}$ , get scores for each classifier, that is,  $s_{i,j} = h_{i,j}(\mathbf{z})$ .
- $s_{i,j}$  gives the probability of **z** being from class *i* and not in class *j*.
- Predict the label  $\hat{y}$  for which the sum of probabilities is maximum.

### Example:

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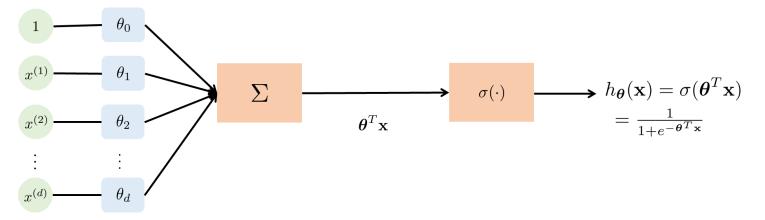
• Consider a problem with 3 classes, A, B and C.

	Classifier 1 A vs B	$P_1(A) P_1(B)$	Classifier 2 B vs C	$egin{array}{l} P_2(B) \ P_2(C) \end{array}$	Classifier 3 A vs C	$P_3(A) P_3(C)$	$P_1(B) +$
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### **Multi-Class (Multinomial) Logistic Regression:**

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- Idea: Extend logistic regression using softmax instead of logistic (sigmoid).
- We have following logistic regression model for binary classification case (M=2).



- $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})$  represents the probability of membership of class 1.
- Model: weighted sum of features followed by sigmoid for squishing the values of weighted sum between 0 and 1.

$$P(y=1|\mathbf{x}) = h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\theta^{T}\mathbf{x}}}$$

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### **Multi-Class (Multinomial) Logistic Regression:**

- For M classes, we extend the formulation of the logistic function.
- Again, note that the model gives us probability of class membership.
- We assign the label that is more likely.
- Noting this, we build a model for m-th class as

$$P(y = m | \mathbf{x}) = h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m^T \mathbf{x}}}{\sum\limits_{k=0}^{M-1} e^{\boldsymbol{\theta}_k^T \mathbf{x}}}$$

 $\boldsymbol{\theta}_m$  - model parameters

- Model: weighted sum of features followed by softmax function.
- Softmax extension of logistic function:

$$\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} = \frac{e^z}{e^z + e^0}$$

Logistic function for 2 classes.

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softmax
$$(z_m) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} = \frac{e^{z_m}}{\sum_{k=0}^{M-1} e^{z_k}}$$

Softmax for M classes.

#### **Multi-Class (Multinomial) Logistic Regression:**

$$P(y = m | \mathbf{x}) = h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m^T \mathbf{x}}}{\sum\limits_{k=0}^{M-1} e^{\boldsymbol{\theta}_k^T \mathbf{x}}}$$

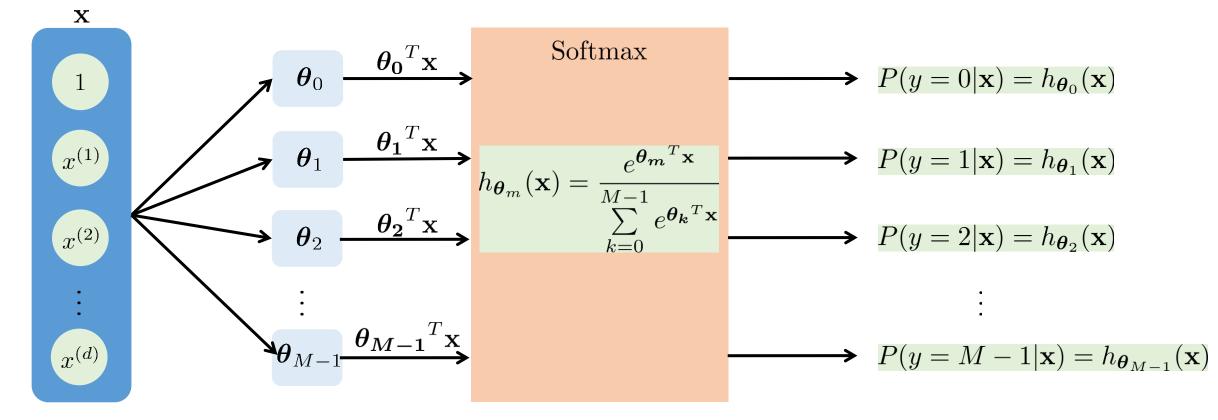
 $\boldsymbol{\theta}_m$  - model parameters

- A critical assumption here: no ordinal relationship between the classes.
- Linear function for each of the m classes.
- The softmax function
  - Input: a vector of M real numbers
  - Output: M probabilities proportional to the exponentials of the input numbers.
- We have  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_m = [\theta_{m,0}, \theta_{m,1}, \dots, \theta_{m,d}]$  for each class  $m = \{0, 1, \dots, M-1\}$ .
- In total, we have  $(d+1) \times M$  parameters.



#### **Multi-Class Logistic Regression – Graphical Representation of the Model:**

input (features)



 $\max_{m=0,1,2,\ldots,M-1} \quad h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m}(\mathbf{x})$ 

• Prediction:

 $\hat{y} =$ 

#### **Multi-Class (Multinomial) Logistic Regression – Cost Function**

• For binary classification, we have:

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \log(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i)) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i))$$

• Extending the same for multi-class logistic regression:

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \delta(y_i - m) \log \left(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m}(\mathbf{x}_i)\right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \delta(y_i - m) \log\left(\frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\theta}_m^T \mathbf{x}_i}}{\sum\limits_{k=0}^{M-1} e^{\boldsymbol{\theta}_k^T \mathbf{x}_i}}\right)$$



## Summary:

- Employs regression followed by mapping to probability using logistic function (binary case) or softmax function (multinomial case).
- Do not make any assumptions about distributions of classes in feature space.
- Decision boundaries separating classes are linear.
- It provides a natural probabilistic view of class predictions.
- Loss function is formulated using cross entropy loss.
- Can be trained quickly using gradient descent.
- Computationally efficient at classifying (needs inner product only)
- Model coefficients can be interpreted as indicators of importance of the features.

