

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 $\mathcal{Y} = \{-1, 1\}$
- **Multi-class (Multinomial) Classification:** - Disease detection, spam email detection, fraudulent transaction, win/loss prediction, etc.
- $\mathcal{Y} = \{1, 2, ..., M\}$ (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). A Not-for-Profit University

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 θ .

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

Model:

- Consider a binary classification problem.
- We have a multi-dimensional feature space (d features).
- Features can be categorical (e.g., gender, ethnicity) or continuous (e.g., height, temperature).
- **Logistic regression 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 $(0, 1)$
- \bullet 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.

Classification:

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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. \bullet MS

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. \bullet
- Linear regression model attempt

 $h_{\theta}(x) = \theta^{T} x = \theta_{0} + \theta_{1} x$ • output is real-valued $(-\infty, \infty)$

• Logistic regression model

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

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

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

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Decision Boundary:

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$$

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\hat{y} = \begin{cases} \text{Class 1} & \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?
	- \bullet It represents a half-space in d-dimensional space.
	- $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = 0$ represents a hyperplane in d-dimensional space.

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Hyper-Plane:

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

 \bullet $d=1$

 $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(1)} = 0$

 \bullet $d=2$

$$
\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(1)} + \theta_2 x^{(2)} = 0
$$

 θ_1 and θ_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:

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

- 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.
	- $\theta_0 = -92$ $\theta_1 = 92/95$ $\theta_2=1$
- 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. \bullet
- $\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x} = 0$ 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:
$$
h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma \left(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(1)} + \theta_2 x^{(2)} + \theta_3 (x^{(1)})^2 + \theta_4 (x^{(2)})^2 \right)
$$

Non-linear Decision Boundary:

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

• Given after learning from the data.

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

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

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:

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

 $\boldsymbol{\theta} = [\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_d]$ θ 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. A Not-for-Profit University

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:

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= ∞ when $h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i) = 0$
- Mismatch is penalized: larger mistakes get larger penalties A Not-for-Profit University

Loss/Cost Function:

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

$$
cost(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i) = \begin{cases} -\log(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i)) & y = 1\\ -\log(1 - h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i)) & y = 0 \end{cases}
$$

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

- 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?

Loss/Cost Function:

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

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

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

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. \bullet
- Therefore, θ that minimizes $\mathcal{L}(\theta)$, maximizes likelihood. \bullet

Model Training (Learning of Parameters):

- We have following optimization problem in hand:

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

- 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:

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

- $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_i}$: Rate of change in the loss function with respect to θ_j
- \bullet α 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 $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and keep updating to reduce the loss function until we reach the minimum. Repeat until convergence

Pseudo-code:

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

$$
\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta_j}, \quad \text{for each} \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, d \qquad \qquad \boldsymbol{\theta} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\theta} - \alpha \nabla \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \qquad \text{Note: Simultaneous update.}
$$

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.

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

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

 $\bullet\,$ We can write

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

Gradient Descent Computation:

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

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

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \big(h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \big) = h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \big(1 - h_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}) \big) \, x^{(j)}
$$

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

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

Overall:

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

$$
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_j} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i \right) x_i^{(j)}
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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 x belongs to *i*-th class or not.
- For a new test point **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 $\hat{y} = \max_{i=0,1,2,...,M-1} s_i$

Multi-Class (Multinomial) Classification:

• $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1, 2, \ldots, M-1\}$ (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 x belongs to *i*-th class or *j*-th class.
- For a new test point **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 .

Select label for which the sum is maximum

 $P_1(A) + P_3(A)$

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

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$$
P(y=1|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\theta^T \mathbf{x}}}{e^{\theta^T \mathbf{x}} + e^0}
$$

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$$
P(y=0|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{e^{\theta^T \mathbf{x}} + 1}
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$$

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

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

 θ_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:

$$
P(y = m|\mathbf{x}) = h_{\theta_m}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\theta_m^T \mathbf{x}}}{\sum_{k=0}^{M-1} e^{\theta_k^T \mathbf{x}}} \qquad \theta_m \text{—model parameters}
$$

- 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)

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

• Prediction:

 $\hat{y} =$

$$
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$$

Multi-Class (Multinomial) Logistic Regression – Cost Function

 \bullet 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:

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

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

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.

