

Feedback — VI. Logistic Regression

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Question 1

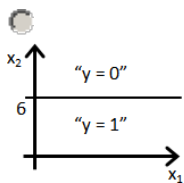
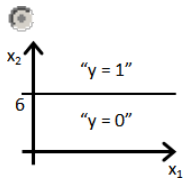
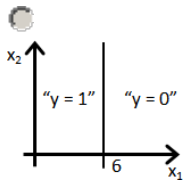
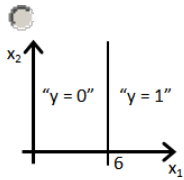
Suppose that you have trained a logistic regression classifier, and it outputs on a new example x a prediction $h_\theta(x) = 0.2$. This means (check all that apply):

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 0 x; \theta)$ is 0.8.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25	Since we must have $P(y = 0 x; \theta) = 1 - P(y = 1 x; \theta)$, the former is $1 - 0.2 = 0.8$.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ is 0.2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25	$h_\theta(x)$ is precisely $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$, so each is 0.2.
<input type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 0 x; \theta)$ is 0.2.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25	$h_\theta(x)$ is $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$, not $P(y = 0 x; \theta)$.
<input type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ is 0.8.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25	$h_\theta(x)$ gives $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$, not $1 - P(y = 1 x; \theta)$.
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Question 2

Suppose you train a logistic classifier $h_\theta(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2)$. Suppose $\theta_0 = -6, \theta_1 = 0, \theta_2 = 1$. Which of the following figures represents the decision boundary found by your classifier?

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In this figure, we transition from negative to positive when x_2 goes from below 6 to above 6 which is true for the given values of θ .

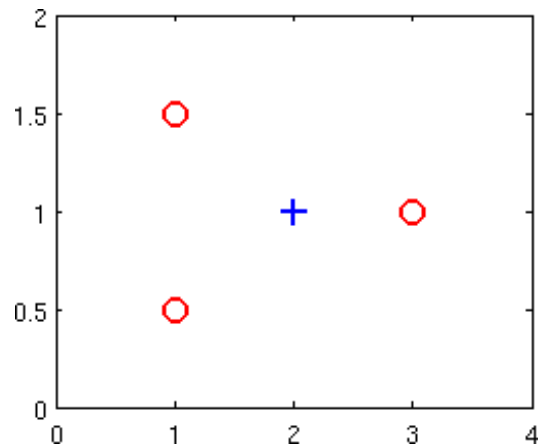
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Question 3

Suppose you have the following training set, and fit a logistic regression classifier

$$h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2).$$

x_1	x_2	y
1	0.5	0
1	1.5	0
2	1	1
3	1	0



Which of the following are true? Check all that apply.

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<p><input type="checkbox"/> If we train gradient descent for enough iterations, for some examples $x^{(i)}$ in the training set it is possible to obtain $h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) > 1$.</p>	<p>✓ 0.25</p>	<p>The function $g(z)$ in the hypothesis $h_{\theta}(x)$ is the sigmoid function $\frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ which always lies between 0 and 1.</p>
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adding polynomial features (e.g., instead using $h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_1^2 + \theta_4 x_1 x_2 + \theta_5 x_2^2)$) could increase how well we can fit the training data.</p>	<p>✓ 0.25</p>	<p>Adding new features can only improve the fit on the training set: since setting $\theta_3 = \theta_4 = \theta_5 = 0$ makes the hypothesis the same as the original one, gradient descent will use those features (by making the corresponding θ_j non-zero) only if doing so improves the training set fit.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> The positive and negative examples cannot be separated using a straight line. So, gradient descent will fail to converge.</p>	<p>✓ 0.25</p>	<p>While it is true they cannot be separated, gradient descent will still converge to the optimal fit. Some examples will remain misclassified at the optimum.</p>
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $J(\theta)$ will be a convex function, so gradient descent should converge to the global minimum.</p>	<p>✓ 0.25</p>	<p>The cost function $J(\theta)$ is guaranteed to be convex for logistic regression.</p>
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Question 4

For logistic regression, the gradient is given by $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$.

Which of these is a correct gradient descent update for logistic regression with a learning rate of α ? Check all that apply.

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<input type="checkbox"/> $\theta := \theta - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\theta^T x - y^{(i)} \right) x^{(i)}.$	0.25	This vectorized version uses the linear regression hypothesis $\theta^T x$ instead of that for logistic regression.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $\theta := \theta - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{1}{1+e^{-\theta^T x^{(i)}}} - y^{(i)} \right) x^{(i)}.$	0.25	This is a vectorized version of gradient descent that substitutes in the exact form of $h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$ used by logistic regression.
<input type="checkbox"/> $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\theta^T x - y^{(i)} \right) x_j^{(i)}$ (simultaneously update for all j).	0.25	This uses the linear regression hypothesis $\theta^T x$ instead of that for logistic regression.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$ (simultaneously update for all j).	0.25	This is a direct substitution of $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$ into the gradient descent update.
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Question 5

Which of the following statements are true? Check all that apply.

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☐ Since we train one classifier when there are two classes, we train two classifiers when there are three classes (and we do one-vs-all classification).

☒ 0.25 We need to train three classifiers if there are three classes; each one treats one of the three classes as the $y = 1$ examples and the rest as the $y = 0$ examples.

☒ The cost function $J(\theta)$ for logistic regression trained with $m \geq 1$ examples is always greater than or equal to zero.

☒ 0.25 The cost for any example $x^{(i)}$ is always ≥ 0 since it is the negative log of a quantity less than one. The cost function $J(\theta)$ is a summation over the cost for each example, so the cost function itself must be greater than or equal to zero.

☐ For logistic regression, sometimes gradient descent will converge to a local minimum (and fail to find the global minimum). This is the reason we prefer more advanced optimization algorithms such as fminunc (conjugate gradient/BFGS/L-BFGS/etc).

☒ 0.25 The cost function for logistic regression is convex, so gradient descent will always converge to the global minimum. We still might use a more advanced optimization algorithm since they can be faster and don't require you to select a learning rate.

☒ The sigmoid function $g(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ is never greater than one (> 1).

☒ 0.25 The denominator ranges from ∞ to 1 as z grows, so the result is always in $(0, 1)$.

Total 1.00 / 1.00

