

Lecture Notes for **Machine Learning in Python**

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Optimization Techniques for Logistic Regression

Demo Lecture

06. Optimization

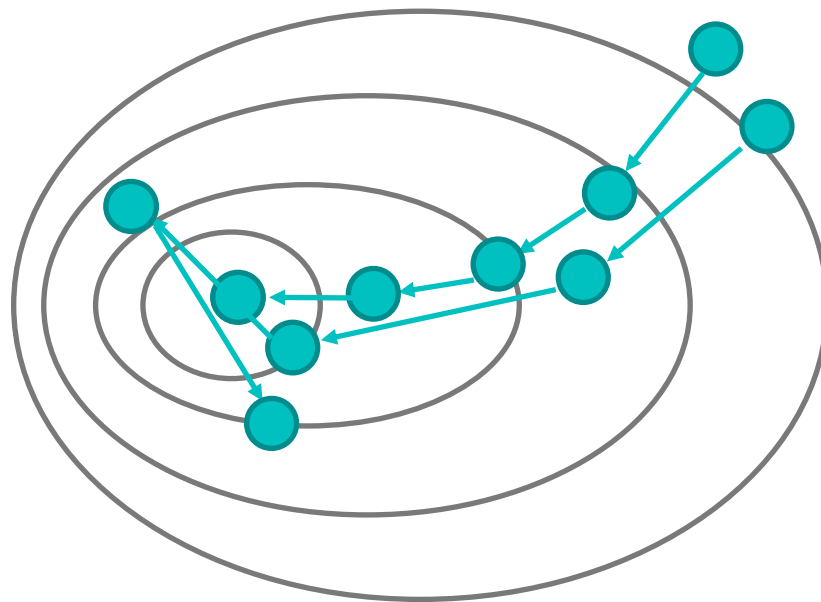


Optimization: gradient descent

- What we know thus far:

$$\underbrace{w_j}_{\text{new value}} \leftarrow \underbrace{w_j}_{\text{old value}} + \underbrace{\eta \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^M (y^{(i)} - g(x^{(i)})) x_j^{(i)} \right) - C \cdot 2w_j \right]}_{\nabla l(w)}$$

$$w \leftarrow w + \eta \nabla l(w)$$

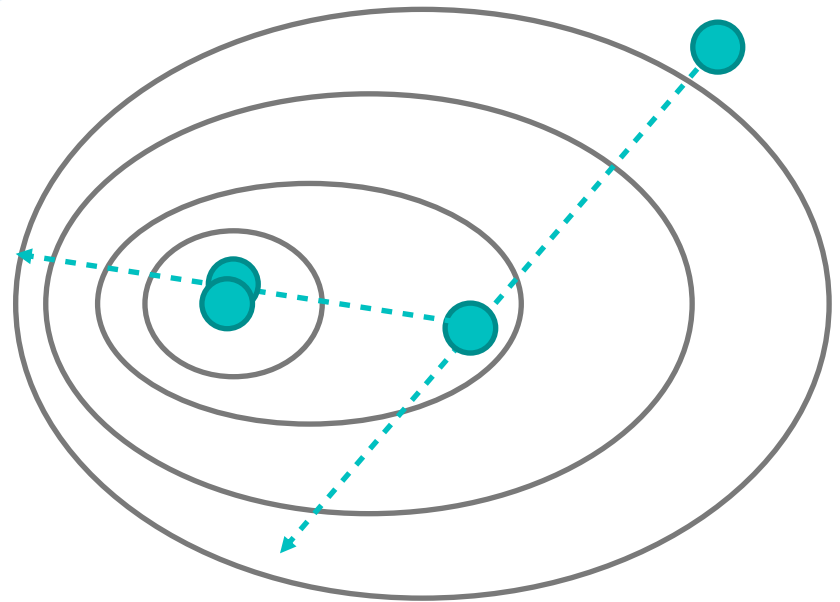


Line Search: a better method

- Line search in direction of gradient:

$$w \leftarrow w + \eta \nabla l(w)$$

$$w \leftarrow w + \underbrace{\eta}_{\text{best step?}} \nabla l(w)$$



Stochastic Methods

- How much computation is required (for gradient)?

$$\sum_{i=1}^M (y^{(i)} - \hat{y}^{(i)})x^{(i)} - 2C \cdot w$$

Per iteration:

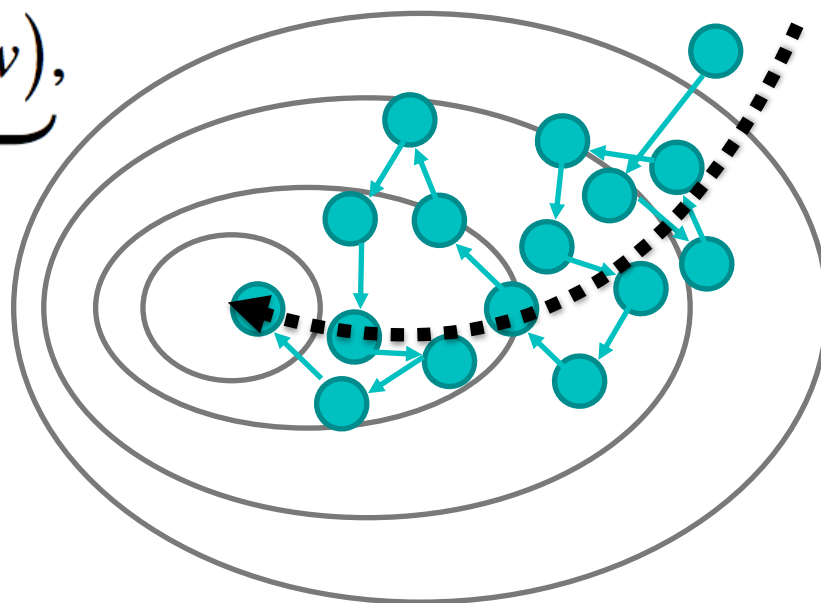
(M+1)*N multiplications
2M + 1 add/subtract

$$w \leftarrow w + \underbrace{\eta \left((y^{(i)} - \hat{y}^{(i)})x^{(i)} - 2C \cdot w \right)}_{\text{approx. gradient}},$$

i chosen at random

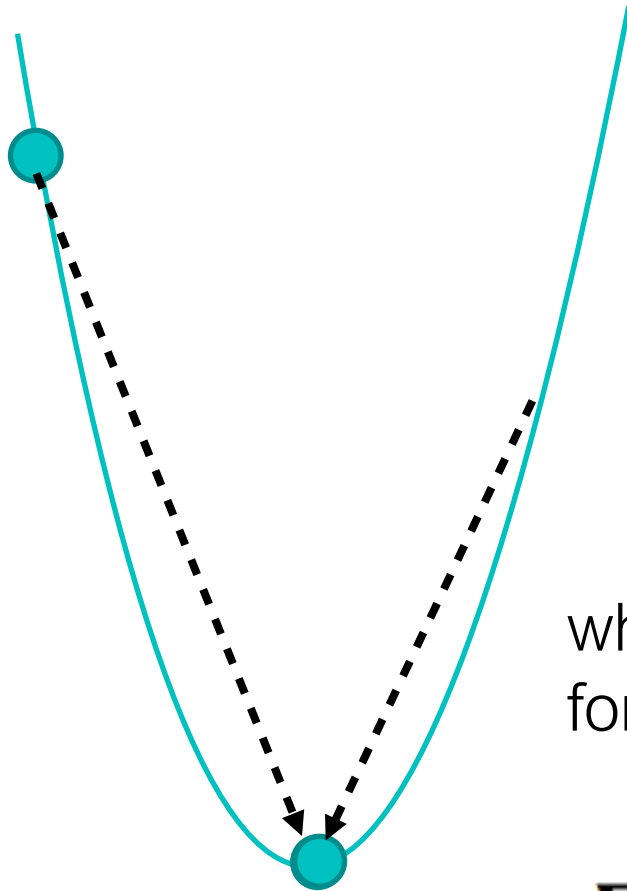
Per iteration:

N+1 multiplications
2 add/subtract



Can we do better than the gradient?

- Assume function is quadratic:



function of one variable:

$$w \leftarrow w - \underbrace{\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial w^2} l(w) \right]^{-1}}_{\text{inverse 2nd deriv}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial w} l(w)}_{\text{derivative}}$$

will solve in one step!

what is the second order derivative
for a multivariate function?

$$\nabla^2 l(w) = \mathbf{H}[l(w)]$$

The Hessian

- Assume function is quadratic:

function of one variable:

$$\mathbf{H}[l(w)] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial w_1} l(w) & \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} l(w) & \dots & \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_N} l(w) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} l(w) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial w_2} l(w) & \dots & \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_N} l(w) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial w_N} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} l(w) & \frac{\partial}{\partial w_N} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} l(w) & \dots & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial w_N} l(w) \end{bmatrix}$$



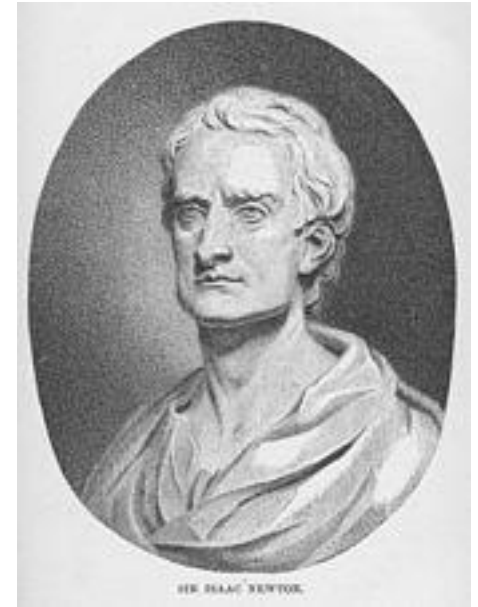
$$\nabla^2 l(w) = \mathbf{H}[l(w)]$$

The Newton Update Method

- Assume function is quadratic (in high dimensions):

$$w \leftarrow w - \underbrace{\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial w} l(w) \right]^{-1}}_{\text{inverse 2nd deriv}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial w} l(w)}_{\text{derivative}}$$

$$w \leftarrow w + \eta \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{H}[l(w)]^{-1}}_{\text{inverse Hessian}} \cdot \underbrace{\nabla l(w)}_{\text{gradient}}$$



Is. Newton

The Hessian for Logistic Regression

- The hessian is easy to calculate from the gradient for logistic regression

$$w \leftarrow w + \eta \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{H}[l(w)]^{-1}}_{\text{inverse Hessian}} \cdot \underbrace{\nabla l(w)}_{\text{gradient}}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{j,k}[l(w)] = - \sum_{i=1}^M g(x^{(i)})(1 - g(x^{(i)})) x_k^{(i)} x_j^{(i)}$$

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^M (y^{(i)} - \hat{y}^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}}_{\text{gradient}}$$

$$\mathbf{H}[l(w)] = X^T \cdot \text{diag}[g(x^{(i)})(1 - g(x^{(i)}))] \cdot X$$

$$X * y_{diff}$$

$$w \leftarrow w + \eta [X^T \cdot \text{diag}[g(x^{(i)})(1 - g(x^{(i)}))] \cdot X]^{-1} \cdot X * y_{diff}$$