

Machine Learning

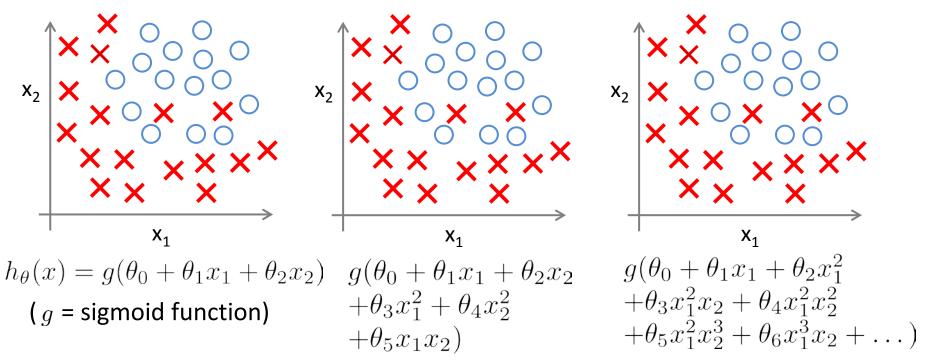
### Regularization

# The problem of overfitting

Example: Linear regression (housing prices)

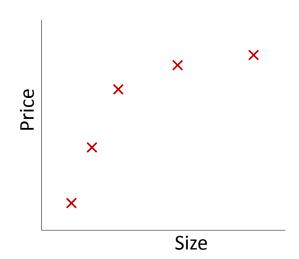
**Overfitting:** If we have too many features, the learned hypothesis may fit the training set very well  $(J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 \approx 0)$ , but fail to generalize to new examples (predict prices on new examples).

### Example: Logistic regression



### Addressing overfitting:

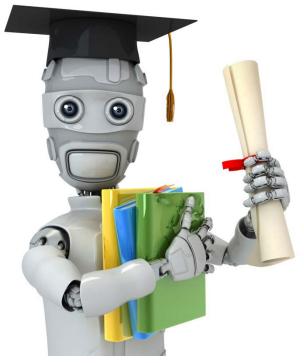
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x_1 = \text{size of house}
x_2 = \text{ no. of bedrooms}
x_3 = \text{ no. of floors}
x_4 = age of house
x_5 = average income in neighborhood
x_6 = kitchen size
x_{100}
```



### Addressing overfitting:

### Options:

- 1. Reduce number of features.
  - Manually select which features to keep.
  - Model selection algorithm (later in course).
- 2. Regularization.
  - Keep all the features, but reduce magnitude/values of parameters  $\theta_i$ .
  - Works well when we have a lot of features, each of which contributes a bit to predicting y.

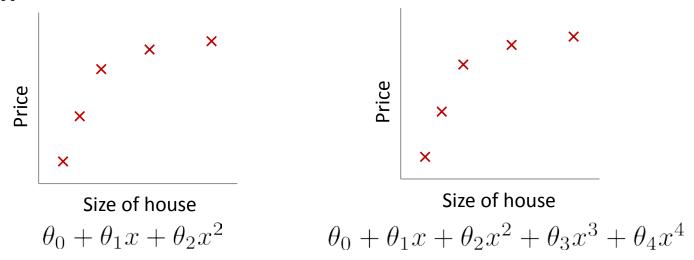


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### Cost function

#### Intuition



Suppose we penalize and make  $\theta_3$ ,  $\theta_4$  really small.

$$\min_{\theta} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

### Regularization.

Small values for parameters  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$ 

- "Simpler" hypothesis
- Less prone to overfitting

### Housing:

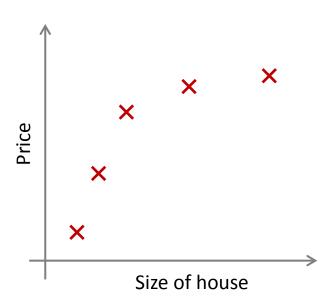
- Features:  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_{100}$
- Parameters:  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{100}$

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

### Regularization.

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_j^2 \right]$$

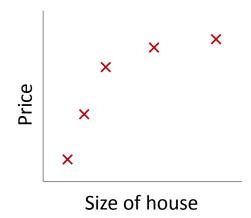
$$\min_{\theta} J(\theta)$$



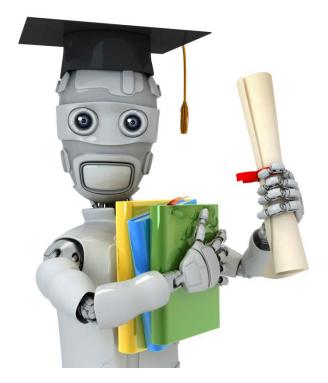
In regularized linear regression, we choose  $\theta$  to minimize

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_j^2 \right]$$

What if  $\lambda$  is set to an extremely large value (perhaps for too large for our problem, say  $\lambda=10^{10}$  )?



$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2 + \theta_3 x^3 + \theta_4 x^4$$



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Regularized linear regression

### Regularized linear regression

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{n} \theta_j^2 \right]$$

$$\min_{\theta} J(\theta)$$

#### **Gradient descent**

Repeat {

$$\begin{split} \theta_0 &:= \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_0^{(i)} \\ \theta_j &:= \theta_j - \alpha \quad \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)} \\ & \qquad \qquad (j = \mathbf{X}, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n) \\ \rbrace \\ \theta_j &:= \theta_j (1 - \alpha \frac{\lambda}{m}) - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)} \end{split}$$

### **Normal equation**

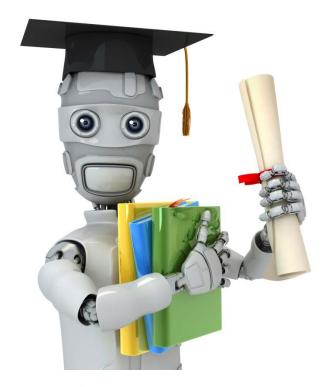
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} (x^{(1)})^T \\ \vdots \\ (x^{(m)})^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\min_{\theta} J(\theta)$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(m)} \end{bmatrix}$$

### Non-invertibility (optional/advanced).

If 
$$\lambda > 0$$
,
$$\theta = \left( X^T X + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} X^T y$$



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Regularized logistic regression

### Regularized logistic regression.

#### Cost function:

$$J(\theta) = -\left| \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} y^{(i)} \log h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) \right|$$

#### **Gradient descent**

Repeat {

$$\theta_0 := \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_0^{(i)}$$

$$\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \qquad \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$$

$$(j = \mathbb{X}, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n)$$

### **Advanced optimization**

```
function [jVal, gradient] = costFunction(theta)
           jVal = [code to compute J(\theta)];
                             J(\theta) = \left| -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} y^{(i)} \log \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log 1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) \right) \right| + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \theta_{j}^{2}
           gradient(1) = [code to compute \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta)];
                            \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_0^{(i)}
           gradient(2) = [code to compute \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta)];
                             \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_1^{(i)} - \frac{\lambda}{m} \theta_1
           gradient(3) = [code to compute \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_2} J(\theta)];
               \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_2^{(i)} - \frac{\lambda}{m} \theta_2
           gradient(n+1) = [code to compute \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_n} J(\theta)];
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