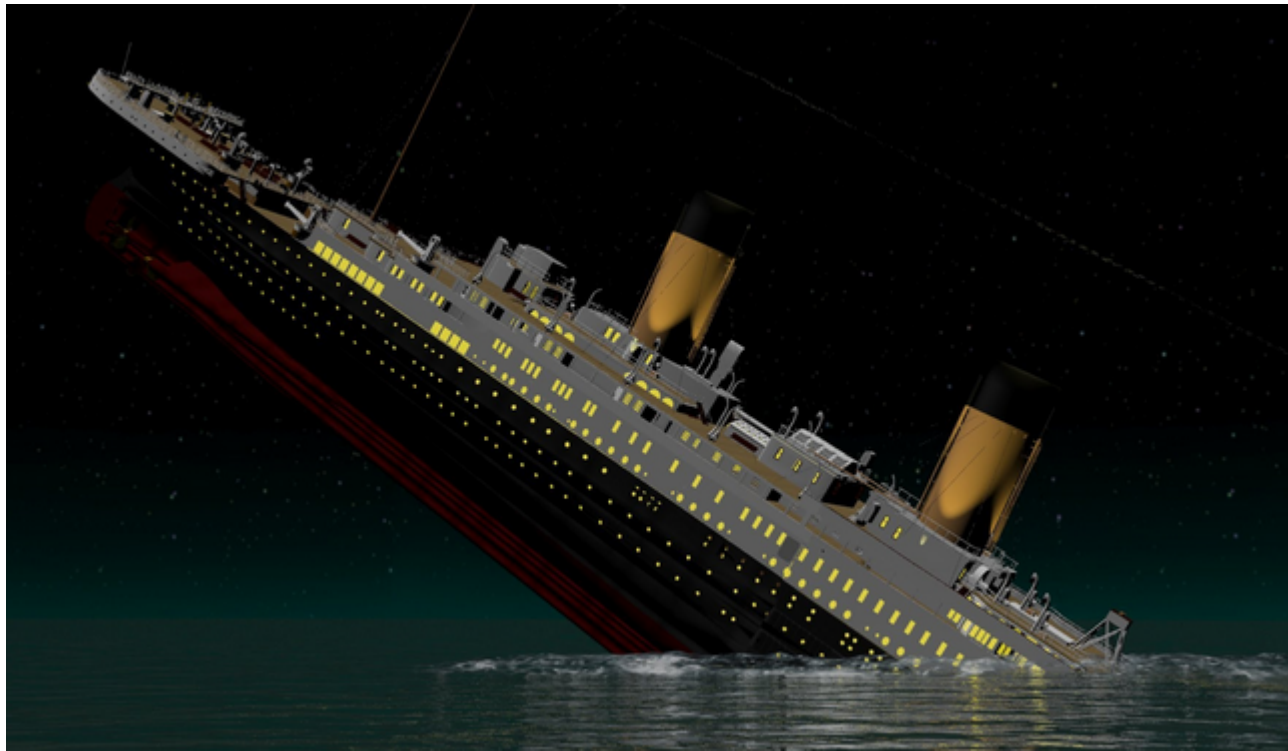


# Regularization and Titanic



# Objective

- To implement regularized linear regression and regularized logistic regression.
- To apply regularized logistic regression to predict which passengers survived the Titanic shipwreck tragedy.

# First Data Set

- The first data bundle contains two sets of data, one for linear regression and the other for logistic regression.
- It also includes a helper function named 'map\_feature.m' which will be used for logistic regression.

# Second Data Set

- The sinking of the RMS Titanic is one of the most infamous shipwrecks in history.
- On April 15, 1912, during her maiden voyage, the Titanic sank after colliding with an iceberg, killing **1502** out of 2224 passengers and crew.
- One of the reasons that the shipwreck led to such loss of life was that there were not enough lifeboats for the passengers and crew.
- Although there was some element of luck involved in surviving the sinking, some groups of people were more likely to survive than others, such as women, children, and the upper-class.

# Variable Descriptions:

- survival      Survival  
(0 = No; 1 = Yes)
- pclass      Passenger Class  
(1 = 1st; 2 = 2nd; 3 = 3rd)
- name      Name
- sex      Sex
- age      Age

# Variable Descriptions:

- sibsp            Number of Siblings/Spouses Aboard
- parch           Number of Parents/Children Aboard
- ticket           Ticket Number
- fare             Passenger Fare
- cabin            Cabin
- embarked       Port of Embarkation  
(C = Cherbourg; Q = Queenstown; S = Southampton)

# Special Notes

- Pclass is a proxy for socio-economic status (SES)  
1st ~ Upper; 2nd ~ Middle; 3rd ~ Lower
- Age is in Years; Fractional if Age less than One (1)  
If the Age is Estimated, it is in the form xx.5
- With respect to the family relation variables (i.e. sibsp and parch) some relations were ignored. The following are the definitions used for sibsp and parch.

# Special Notes

- Sibling: Brother, Sister, Stepbrother, or Stepsister of Passenger Aboard Titanic
- Spouse: Husband or Wife of Passenger Aboard Titanic (Mistresses and Fiances Ignored)
- Parent: Mother or Father of Passenger Aboard Titanic
- Child: Son, Daughter, Stepson, or Stepdaughter of Passenger Aboard Titanic



# Part I: Regularized Linear Regression

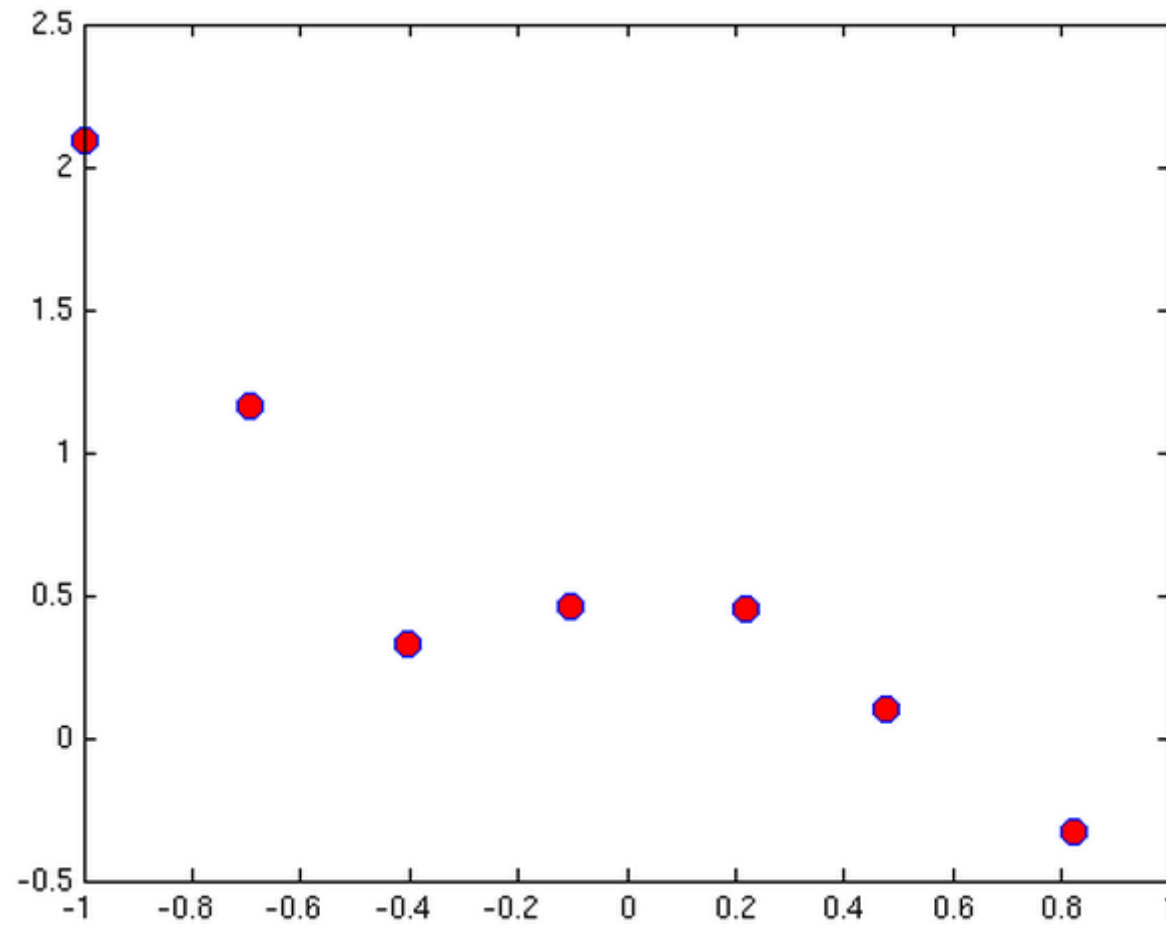
# Regularized linear regression

- The first part of this exercise focuses on regularized linear regression and the normal equations.

# Procedure 4.1 Plot the data

- Load the data files "ml4Linx.dat" and "ml4Liny.dat" into your program.
- These correspond to the "x" and "y" variables that you will start out with.
- Notice that in this data, the input "x" is a single feature, so you can plot y as a function of x on a 2-dimensional graph.

# Linear Regression Data Plot



# Hypothesis

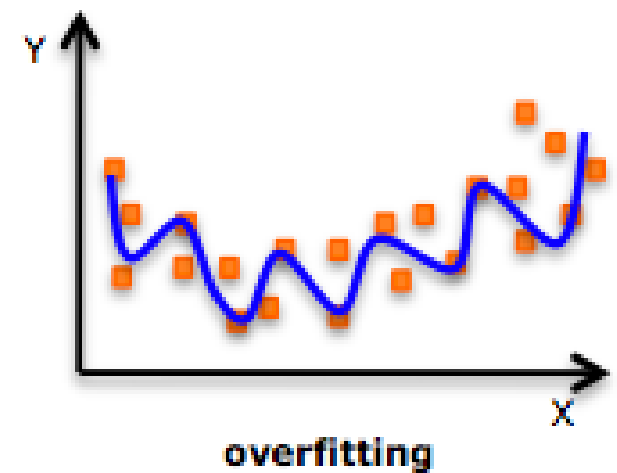
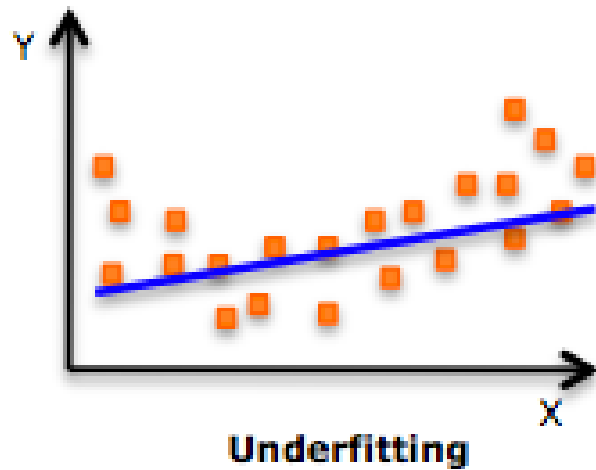
- From looking at the plot, it seems that fitting a straight line might be too simple of an approximation.
- Instead, we will try fitting a higher-order polynomial to the data to capture more of the variations in the points.
- Let's try a fifth-order polynomial. Our hypothesis will be

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2 + \theta_3 x^3 + \theta_4 x^4 + \theta_5 x^5$$

# Hypothesis

- This means that we have a hypothesis of six features, because  $x^0, x^1, \dots, x^5$  are now all features of our regression.
- Notice that even though we are producing a polynomial fit, we still have a linear regression problem because the hypothesis is linear in each feature.
- Since we are fitting a 5th-order polynomial to a data set of only 7 points, over-fitting is likely to occur.

# Overfitting vs. Underfitting



# Regularization

- To guard against overfitting, we will use regularization in our model.
- Recall that in regularization problems, the goal is to minimize the following cost function with respect to  $\theta$ .

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

where  $\lambda$  is the regularization parameter



# Regularization parameter

- The regularization parameter  $\lambda$  is a control on your fitting parameters.
- As the magnitudes of the fitting parameters increase, there will be an increasing penalty on the cost function.
- This penalty is dependent on the squares of the parameters as well as the magnitude of  $\lambda$ .
- Also, notice that the summation after  $\lambda$  does not include  $\theta_0^2$ .

# Normal equations

- Now we will find the best parameters of our model using the normal equations.
- Recall that the normal equations solution to regularized linear regression is

$$\theta = (X^T X + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix})^{-1} X^T \vec{y}$$

The matrix following  $\lambda$  is an  $(n + 1) \times (n + 1)$  diagonal matrix with a zero in the upper left and ones down the other diagonal entries. (Remember that  $n$  is the number of features, not counting the intercept term). The vector  $\vec{y}$  and the matrix  $X$  have the same definition they had for unregularized regression:

$$\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(1)} \\ y^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(m)} \end{bmatrix} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} -(x^{(1)})^T - \\ -(x^{(2)})^T - \\ \vdots \\ -(x^{(m)})^T - \end{bmatrix}$$

## Procedure 4.2

- Using the Normal equation, find values for  $\theta$  using the three regularization parameters below:
  - a.  $\lambda = 0$  (this is the same case as non-regularized linear regression)
  - b.  $\lambda = 1$
  - c.  $\lambda = 10$

# Implementation Notes

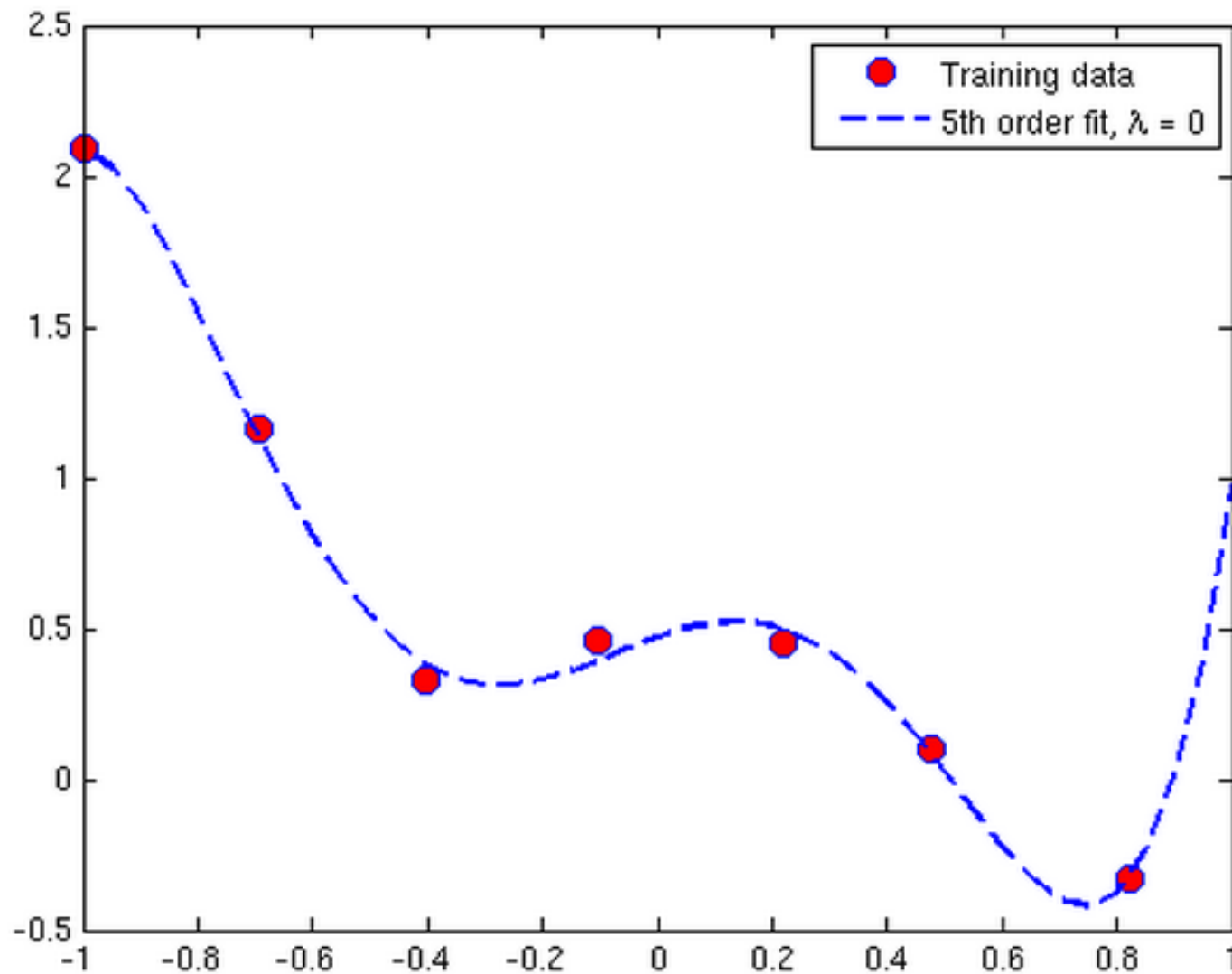
- Keep in mind that  $X$  is an  $m \times (n+1)$  matrix, because there are  $m$  training examples and  $n$  features, plus an  $x_0 = 1$  intercept term.
- In the data provided for this exercise, you were only give the first power of  $x$ .
- You will need to include the other powers of  $x$  in your feature vector  $X$ , which means that the first column will contain all ones, the next column will contain the first powers, the next column will contain the second powers, and so on.
- You can do this in Matlab/Octave with the command

```
x = [ones(m, 1), x, x.^2, x.^3, x.^4, x.^5];
```

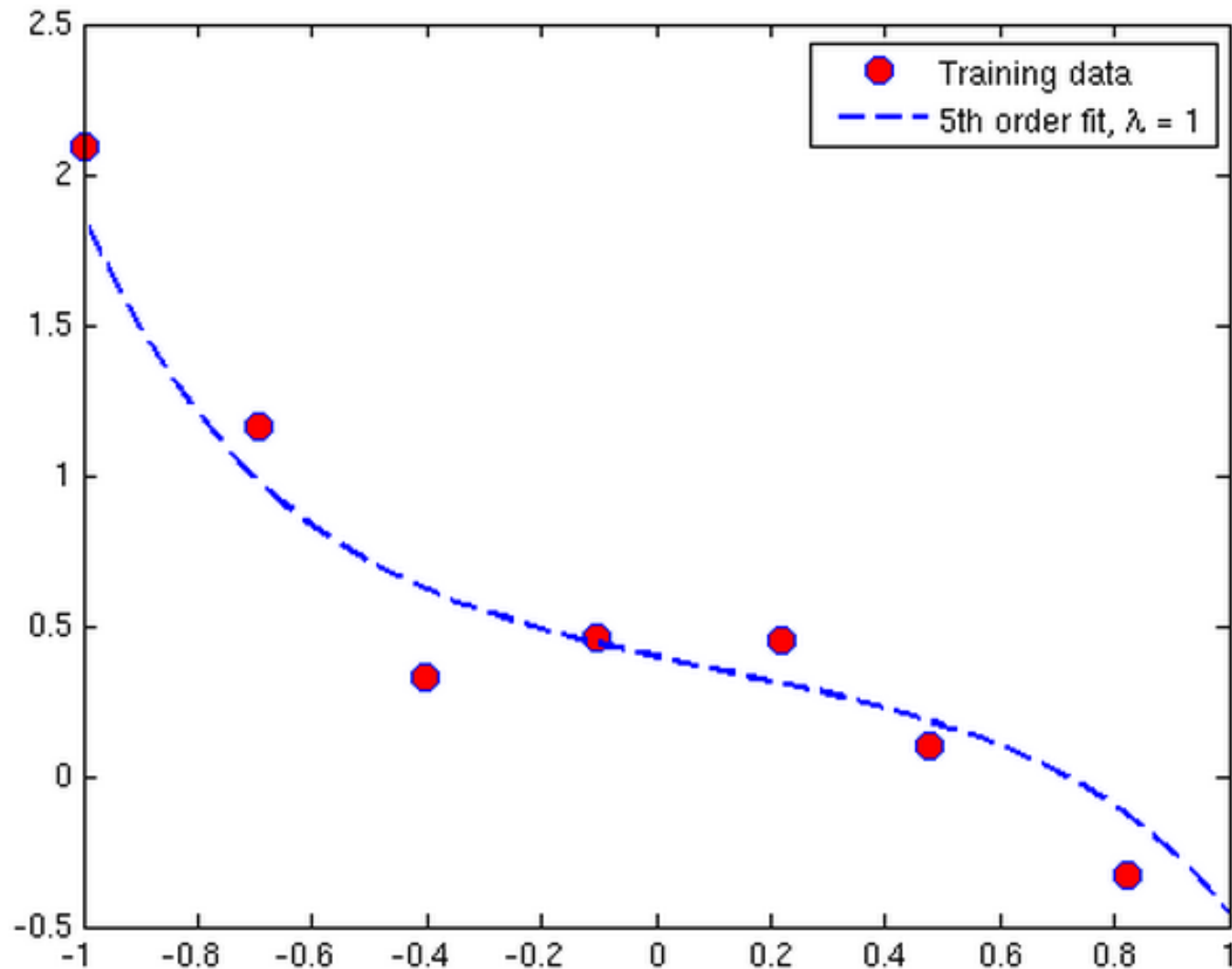
## Procedure 4.3 Plot the polynomial fit for each value of $\lambda$ .

- When you have found the answers for  $\theta$ , verify them with the values in the solutions.
- In addition to listing the values for each element  $\theta_j$  of the  $\theta$  vector, we will also provide the L2-norm of  $\theta$  so you can quickly check if your answer is correct.
- In Octave, you can calculate the L2-norm of a vector  $x$  using the command `norm(x)`.

# Sample Plot, $\lambda = 0$

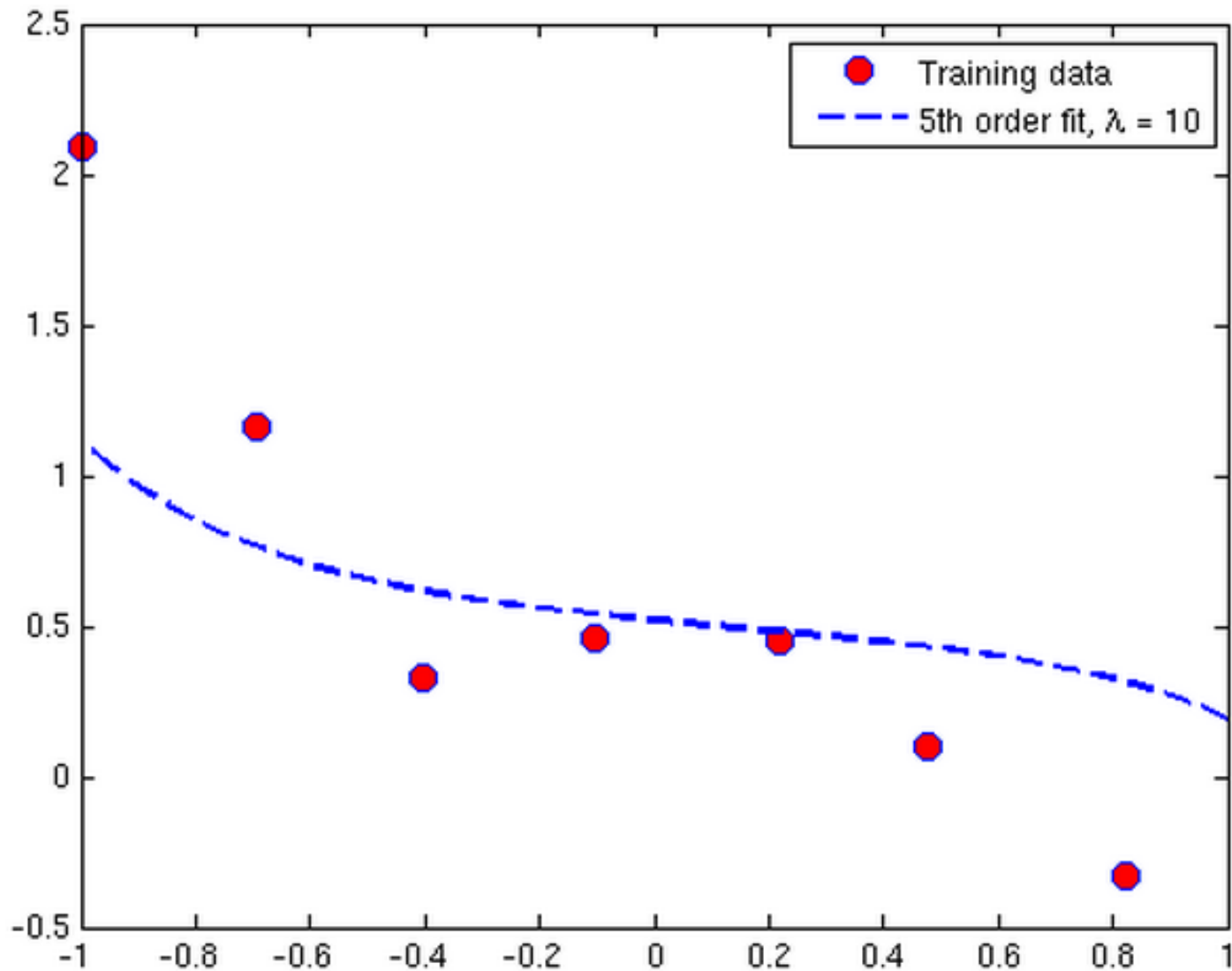


# Sample Plot, $\lambda = 1$





# Sample Plot, $\lambda = 10$



# Question 1

- From looking at the previous graphs, what conclusions can you make about how the regularization parameter  $\lambda$  affects your model?
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# Part II

## Regularized logistic regression

# Regularized logistic regression

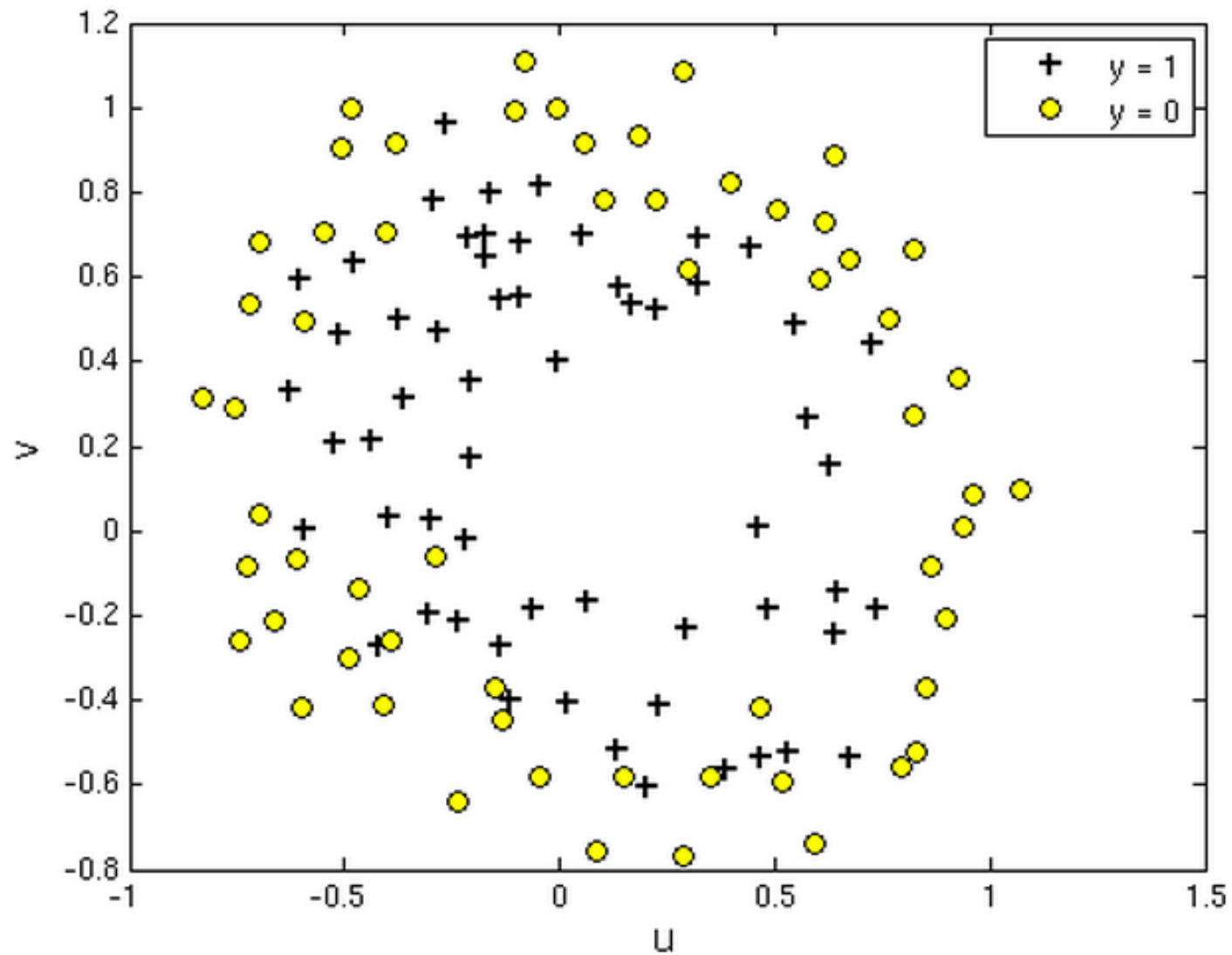
- Implement regularized logistic regression using Newton's Method.
- Load the files 'ml4Logx.dat' and 'ml4Logy.dat' into your program.
- This dataset represents the training set of a logistic regression problem with two features.
- To avoid confusion later, we will refer to the two input features contained in 'ml4Logx.dat' as  $u$  and  $v$ .
- So in the 'ml4Logx.dat' file, the first column of numbers represents the feature  $u$ , which you will plot on the horizontal axis, and the second feature represents  $v$ , which you will plot on the vertical axis.

# Procedure 4.4

- After loading the data, plot the points using different markers to distinguish between the two classifications. The commands in Matlab/Octave will be:

```
x = load('ml4Logx.dat');  
y = load('ml4Logy.dat');  
figure  
% Find the indices for the 2 classes  
pos = find(y);  
neg = find(y == 0);  
  
plot(x(pos, 1), x(pos, 2), '+')  
hold on  
plot(x(neg, 1), x(neg, 2), 'o')
```

# Sample Plot



# Logistic Hypothesis

- We will now fit a regularized regression model to the data.
- Recall that in logistic regression, the hypothesis function is

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\theta}(x) &= g(\theta^T x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\theta^T x}} \\ &= P(y = 1 | x; \theta) \end{aligned}$$

Let's look at the  $\theta^T x$  parameter in the sigmoid function  $g(\theta^T x)$ .

In this exercise, we will assign  $x$  to be all monomials (meaning polynomial terms) of  $u$  and  $v$  up to the sixth power.

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ u \\ v \\ u^2 \\ uv \\ v^2 \\ u^3 \\ \vdots \\ uv^5 \\ v^6 \end{bmatrix}$$

To clarify this notation: we have made a 28-feature vector  $x$  where  $x_0 = 1, x_1 = u, x_2 = v, \dots, x_{28} = v^6$ .



- Remember that  $u$  was the first column of numbers in your 'ml4Logx.dat' file and  $v$  was the second column.
- From now on, we will just refer to the entries of  $x$  as  $x_0$ ,  $x_1$ , and so on instead of their values in terms of  $u$  and  $v$ .

# map\_feature.m

- To save you the trouble of enumerating all the terms of  $x$ , we've included a Matlab/Octave helper function named 'map\_feature' that maps the original inputs to the feature vector.
- This function works for a single training example as well as for an entire training.
- To use this function, place 'map\_feature.m' in your working directory and call

```
x = map_feature(u, v)
```

# map\_feature.m

- This assumes that the two original features were stored in column vectors named 'u' and 'v.' (If you had only one training example, each column vector would be a scalar.)
- The function will output a new feature array stored in the variable 'x.'
- Of course, you can use any names you'd like for the arguments and the output.
- Just make sure your two arguments are column vectors of the same size.

# Logistic Regression Cost Function

- Recall that our objective is to minimize the cost function in regularized logistic regression:

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

- Notice that this looks like the cost function for unregularized logistic regression, except that there is a regularization term at the end.
- We will now minimize this function using Newton's method.

# Newton's method Update Rule

- Recall that the Newton's Method update rule is

$$\theta^{(t+1)} = \theta^{(t)} - H^{-1} \nabla_{\theta} J$$

- This is the same rule that you used for unregularized logistic regression in previous exercise.
- But because you are now implementing regularization, the gradient and the Hessian will have different forms.

# Gradient

$$\nabla_{\theta} J = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) x_0^{(i)} \\ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) x_1^{(i)} + \frac{\lambda}{m} \theta_1 \\ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) x_2^{(i)} + \frac{\lambda}{m} \theta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) x_n^{(i)} + \frac{\lambda}{m} \theta_n \end{bmatrix}$$

# Hessian

$$H = \frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) (1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) x^{(i)} (x^{(i)})^T \right] + \frac{\lambda}{m} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Formula Notes

- Notice that if you substitute  $\lambda = 0$  into these expressions, you will see the same formulas as unregularized logistic regression.
- Also, remember that in these formulas,
  1.  $x^{(i)}$  is your feature vector, which is a 28x1 vector in this exercise.
  2.  $\nabla_{\theta} J$  is a 28x1 vector.
  3.  $x^{(i)}(x^{(i)})^T$  and  $H$  are 28x28 matrices.
  4.  $y^{(i)}$  and  $h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$  are scalars.
  5. The matrix following  $\frac{\lambda}{m}$  in the Hessian formula is a 28x28 diagonal matrix with a zero in the upper left and ones on every other diagonal entry.



# Procedure 4.5

- Run Newton's Method using the three values of  $\lambda$  below:
  - a.  $\lambda = 0$  (this is the same case as non-regularized logistic regression)
  - b.  $\lambda = 1$
  - c.  $\lambda = 10$

## Procedure 4.6

- Print out the value of  $J(\theta)$  during each iteration.
- $J(\theta)$  should not be decreasing at any point during Newton's Method.
- If it is, check that you have defined  $J(\theta)$  correctly.
- Also check your definitions of the gradient and Hessian to make sure there are no mistakes in the regularization parts.

## Procedure 4.7

- After convergence, use your values of theta to find the decision boundary in the classification problem.
- The decision boundary is defined as the line where

$$P(y = 1|x; \theta) = 0.5 \quad \implies \quad \theta^T x = 0$$

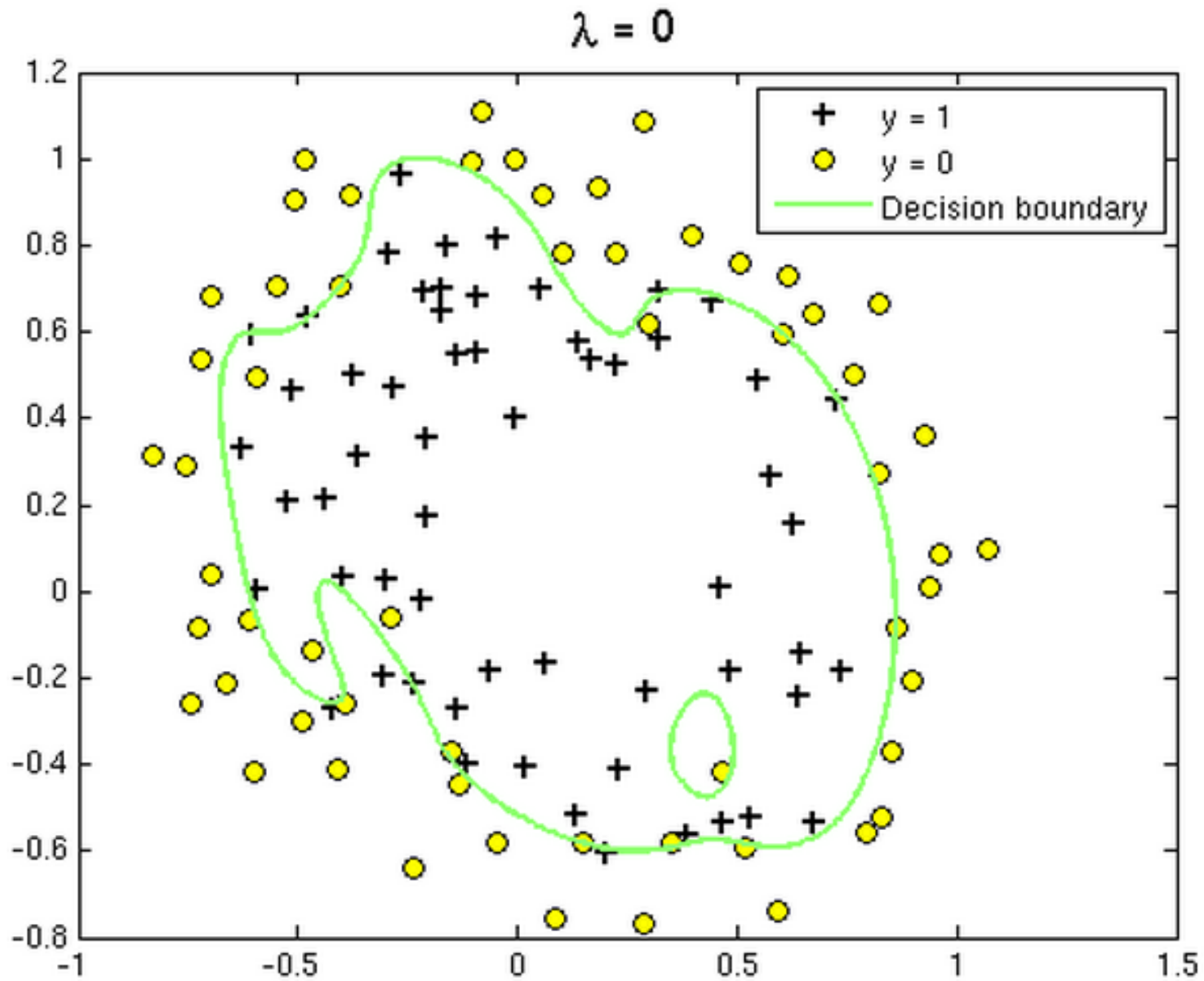
# Notes

- Plotting the decision boundary here will be trickier than plotting the best-fit curve in linear regression.
- You will need to plot the  $\theta^T x = 0$  line implicitly, by plotting a contour.
- This can be done by evaluating  $\theta^T x$  over a grid of points representing the original  $u$  and  $v$  inputs, and then plotting the line where  $\theta^T x$  evaluates to zero.

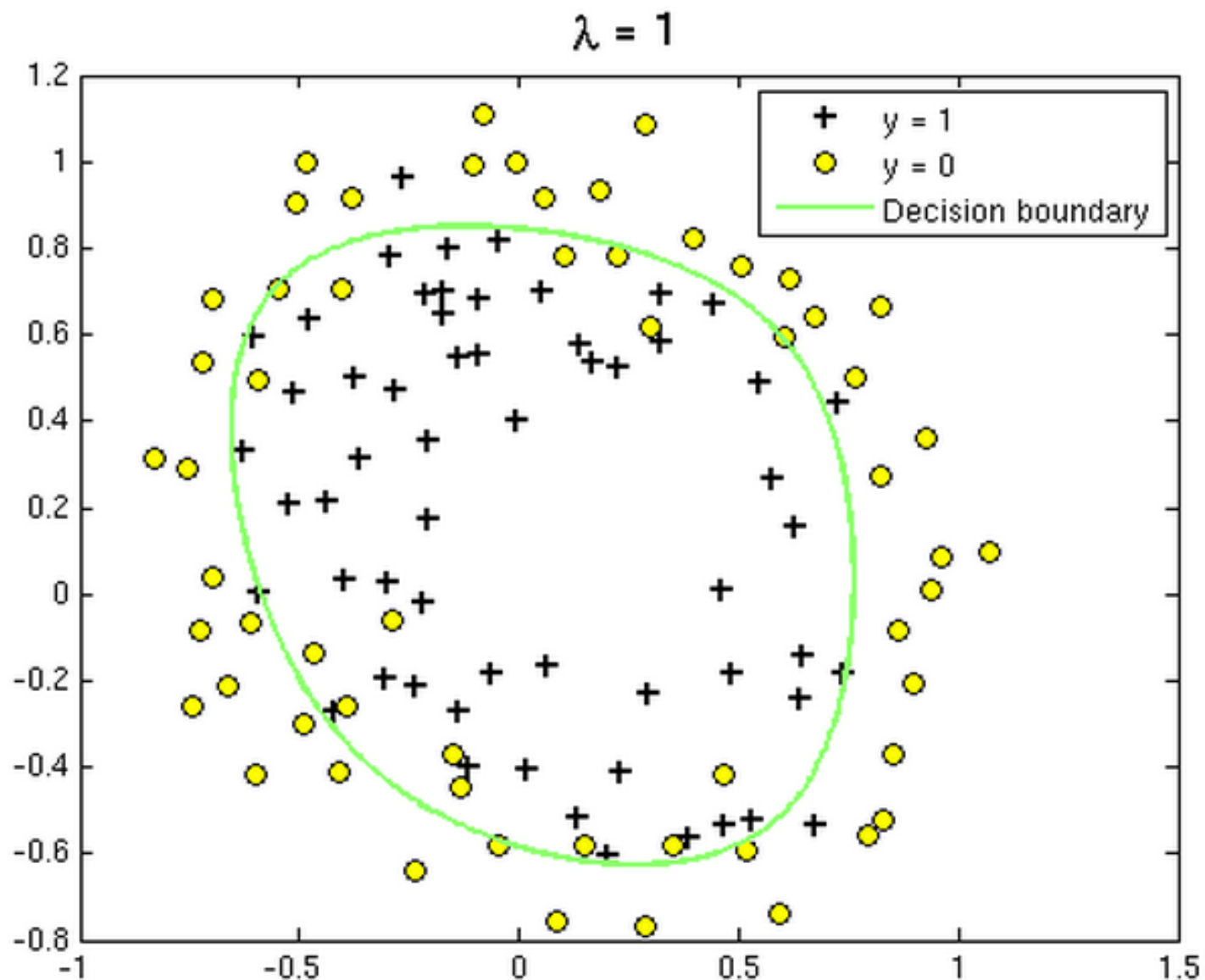
# Implementation

```
% Define the ranges of the grid
u = linspace(-1, 1.5, 200);
v = linspace(-1, 1.5, 200);
% Initialize space for the values to be plotted
z = zeros(length(u), length(v));
% Evaluate  $z = \theta \cdot x$  over the grid
for i = 1:length(u)
    for j = 1:length(v)
        % Notice the order of j, i here!
        z(j,i) = map_feature(u(i), v(j))*theta;
    end
end
% Because of the way that contour plotting works
% in Matlab, we need to transpose z, or
% else the axis orientation will be flipped!
z = z'
% Plot  $z = 0$  by specifying the range [0, 0]
contour(u,v,z, [0, 0], 'LineWidth', 2)
```

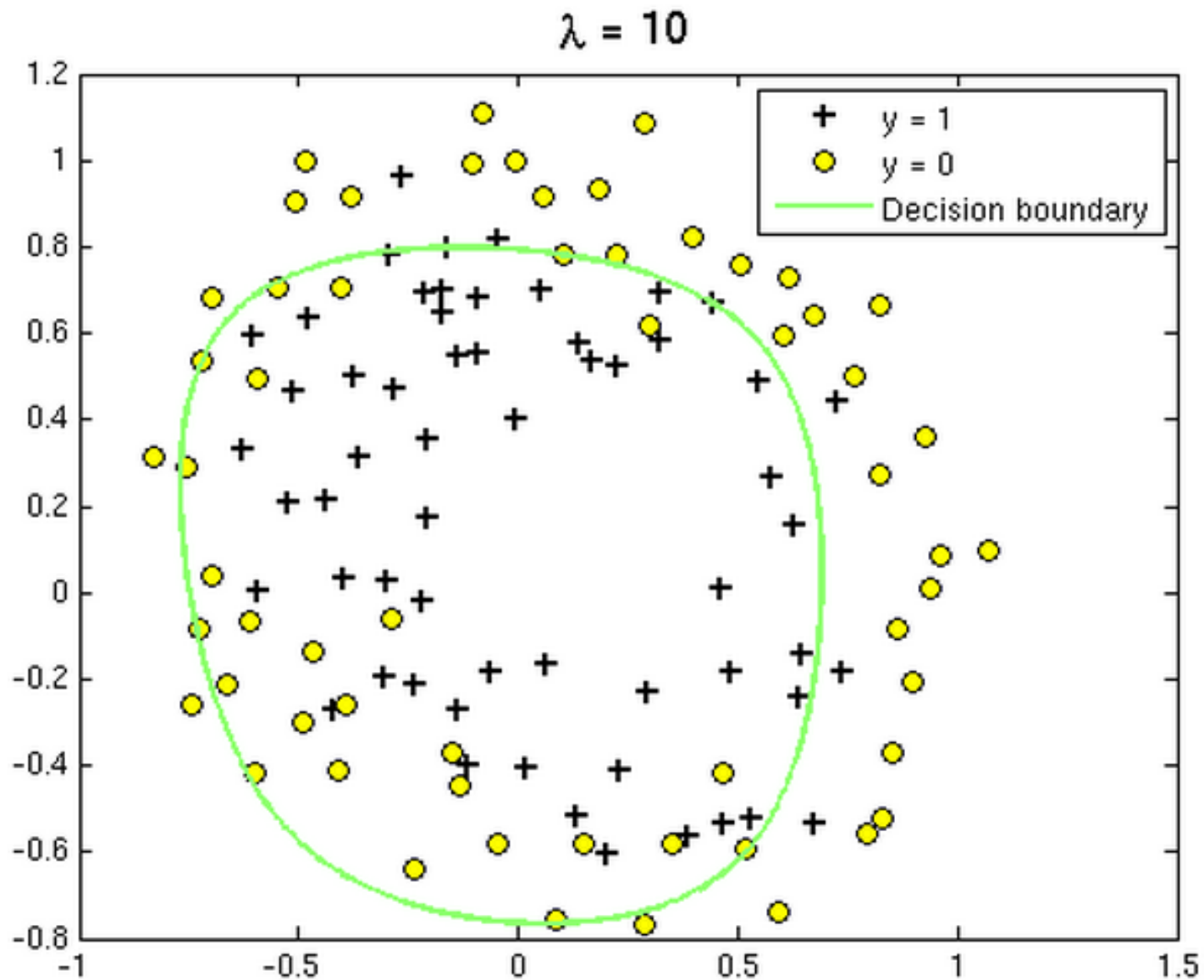
# Sample Plot, $\lambda = 0$



# Sample Plot, $\lambda = 1$



# Sample Plot, $\lambda = 10$



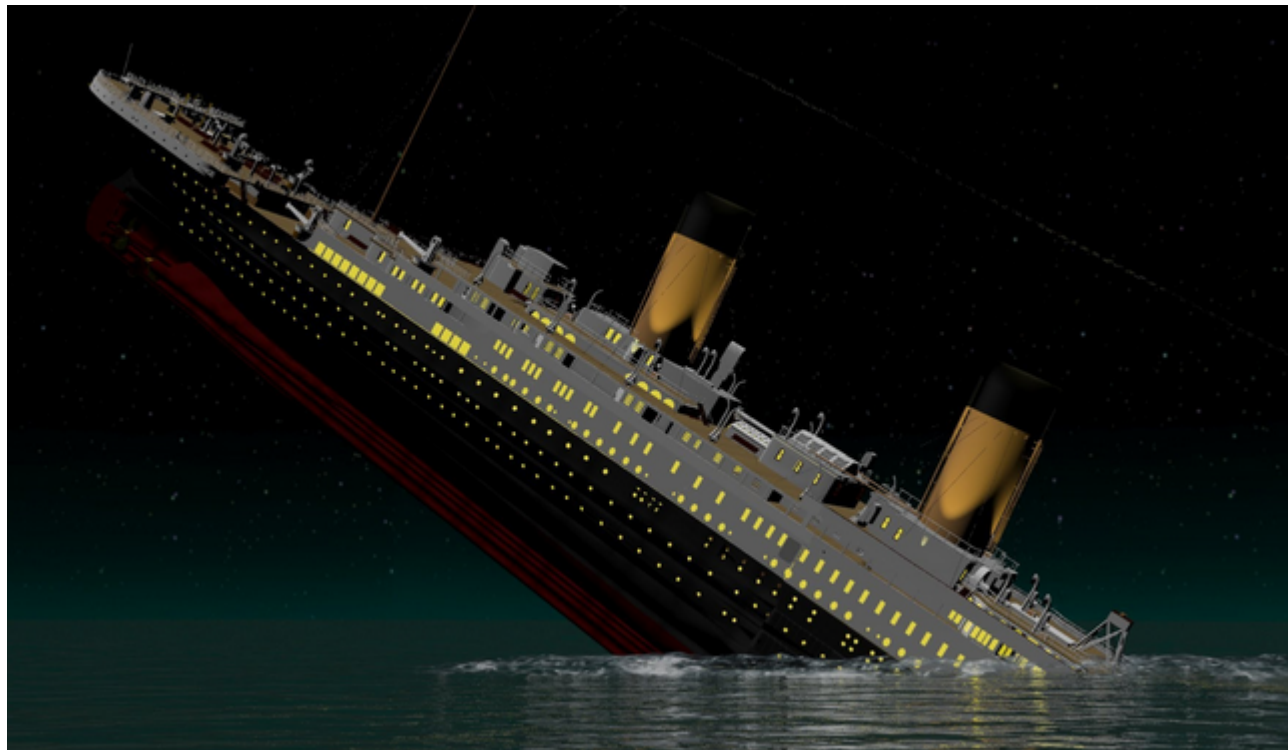


## Procedure 4.8

- Finally, because there are 28 elements  $\theta$ , we will not provide an element-by-element comparison in the solutions.
- Instead, use `norm(theta)` to calculate the L2-norm of  $\theta$ , and check it against the norm in the solutions.

# Part III

## Real-world Application



# Application Objective

- To apply regularized logistic regression to predict which passengers survived the Titanic shipwreck tragedy.
- Choose two features from the 'titanic3.xls' data and utilize it in Regularized Logistic Regression Implementation by repeating procedures 4.4 – 4.8.
- Give the necessary plots and analysis for each procedure.

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END

# Appendix

- Wahat is Regularization?
  - introducing additional information or penalty to prevent over-fitting (or solve ill-posed problem)
  - can be restrictions for smoothness or bounds on the vector space norm
  - imposition of prior distributions on model parameters (Bayesian point of view)

# Seatwork Questions

# 1

- The solution(s) to machine learning tasks are often called \_\_\_\_\_ .



## 2

- In Linear Regression, given  $x$  = features,  $y$  = output data,  $m = \text{length}(x)$ , and model parameter  $\theta$ , how do you compute the gradient in octave?

gradient = \_\_\_\_\_

# 3

- In Linear Regression, given  $x$  = features,  $y$  = output data,  $m = \text{length}(x)$ , and model parameter  $\theta$ , how do you update  $\theta$  in octave?

theta = \_\_\_\_\_

# 4

- In Linear Regression, given  $x$  = features,  $y$  = output data,  $m = \text{length}(x)$ , and model parameter  $\theta$ , how do you compute the cost function values in octave?

```
for i = 1:length(theta0_vals)
    for j = 1:length(theta1_vals)
        t = [theta0_vals(i); theta1_vals(j)];

        J_vals(i,j) = _____

    endfor
endfor
```

# 5

- How do you plot the contour of cost function,  $J\_vals$ , with respect to parameter  $\theta$  values -  $theta0\_vals$  and  $theta1\_vals$ ?

```
contour(_____);
```

# 6

- In Linear Regression exercise 1, how did you compute the predicted height given the model parameters  $\theta$  and input age, i.e. 3.5 yrs. old.

height = \_\_\_\_\_

7

- What is the command in Octave for adding a column of ones to our feature vector  $x$ ?

$x =$  \_\_\_\_\_;

# 8

- How did we preprocess the raw feature data in Laboratory exercise 2?

$x(:, 2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

# 9

- In gradient descent, how did we compute the cost function in Octave?

```
for i = 1:length(alpha)
    theta = zeros(size(x(1,:)))';
    J = zeros(MAX_ITR, 1);
    for num_iterations = 1:MAX_ITR
        % Calculate the J term
        J(num_iterations) = _____
        ...
    end
end
end
```



# 10

- Using the unscaled raw features,  $x_{\text{unscaled}}$ , and output data,  $y$ , how did we compute the model parameters,  $\theta$ , using Normal equations in Octave?

`theta_normal = _____`

# 11

- How do we compute the predicted price for a house with area 1650 and 3 bedrooms using the model parameters,  $\theta$ , acquired from the Normal equation?

`price_normal` = \_\_\_\_\_

# 12

- How do we compute the predicted price for a house with area 1650 and 3 bedrooms using the model parameters,  $\theta$ , acquired from the Gradient descent (Lab exercise 2)?

`price_grad_desc` = \_\_\_\_\_

# 13

- In Octave, how can you separate the positive class and the negative class in the data, i.e. pass has a label 1 nad fail with label 0?

```
pass = _____ ;  
fail = _____ ;
```

# 14

- In Octave, one way to create a Sigmoid or logistic function is: (fill in the blank)

```
g = _____;  
z = linspace(-10,10,1000);  
plot(z,g(z),'linewidth',5);
```

# 15

- In Linear regression we utilized Gradient descent for updating model parameters, in Logistic regression we used

\_\_\_\_\_ .

# 16

- In logistic regression, how do you compute the gradient in Octave?

gradient = \_\_\_\_\_

# 17

- In logistic regression, how do you compute the cost function,  $J$ , in Octave?

$J_i =$  \_\_\_\_\_



# 18

- In logistic regression, how do you update the model parameters,  $\theta$ , in Octave?

theta = = \_\_\_\_\_

# 19

- In Octave, how did you predict the probability that a student with a score of 20 on Exam 1 and a score of 80 on Exam 2 will not be admitted? (Given:  $g(z)$  as the octave function)

`probability =`