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Regularizing your  
neural network

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Regularization

# Logistic regression

$$\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, \underline{b} \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\min_{w,b} J(w,b)$$

$\lambda$  = regularization parameter

lambda

lambd

$$J(w,b) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \ell(y^{(i)}, \hat{y}^{(i)})}_{\text{cost function}} + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \underbrace{\|w\|_2^2}_{\text{L2 regularization}}$$

~~$+\frac{\lambda}{2m} b^2$~~   
omit

$L_2$  regularization  $\underbrace{\|w\|_2^2}_{\text{L2 regularization}} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_x} w_j^2 = w^T w \leftarrow$

$L_1$  regularization  $\frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^{n_x} |w_j| = \frac{\lambda}{2m} \|w\|_1$

$w$  will be sparse

# Neural network

Cost  
function for  
Neural  
Network

$$\rightarrow J(w^{[1]}, b^{[1]}, \dots, w^{[L]}, b^{[L]}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \ell(y^{(i)}, \hat{y}^{(i)})}_{\text{Data loss}} + \underbrace{\frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{l=1}^L \|w^{[l]}\|_F^2}_{\text{Weight decay}}$$

$$\|w^{[l]}\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n^{[l]}} \sum_{j=1}^{n^{[l-1]}} (w_{ij}^{[l]})^2$$

"Frobenius norm"

Frobenius Norm

$$w^{[l]}: \begin{matrix} n^{[l]} & n^{[l-1]} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow \end{matrix}$$

$$\|\cdot\|_2^2$$

$$\|\cdot\|_F^2$$

Notation for partial derivative of J with respect to omega

Update rule for omega

$$dw^{[l]} = \left[ \text{(from backprop)} + \frac{\lambda}{m} w^{[l]} \right]$$

$$\rightarrow w^{[l]} := w^{[l]} - \alpha dw^{[l]}$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w^{[l]}} = dw^{[l]}$$

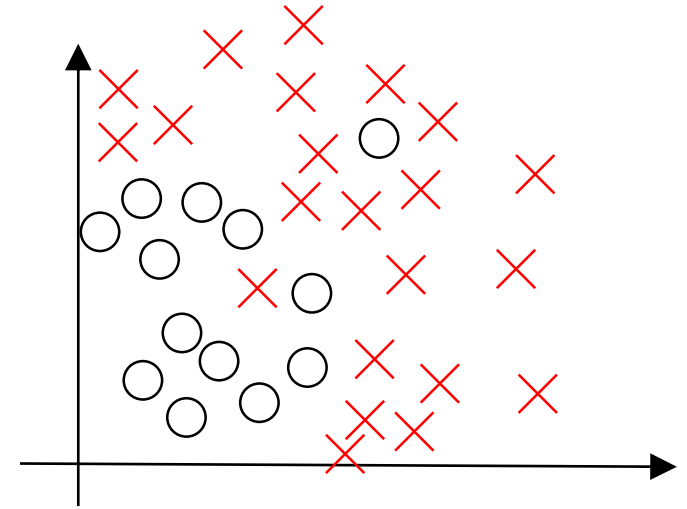
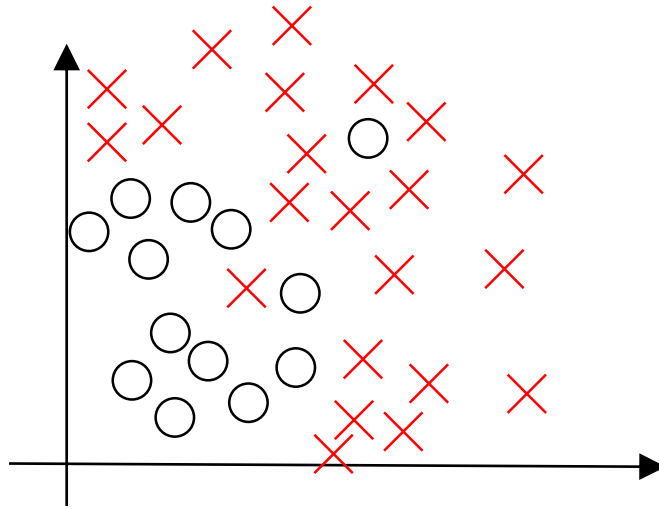
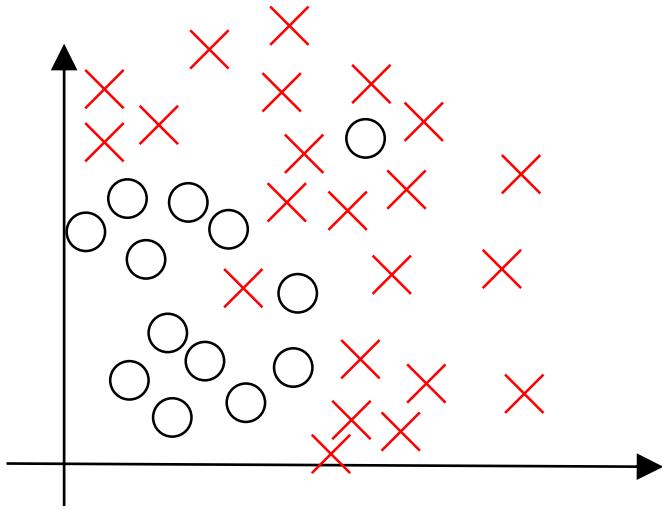
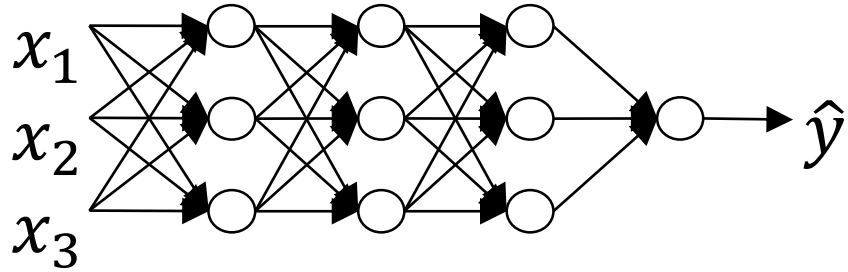
"Weight decay"

Weight Decay

$$\begin{aligned} w^{[l]} &:= w^{[l]} - \alpha \left[ \text{(from backprop)} + \frac{\lambda}{m} w^{[l]} \right] \\ &= w^{[l]} - \frac{\alpha \lambda}{m} w^{[l]} - \alpha \text{(from backprop)} \\ &= \underbrace{\left( 1 - \frac{\alpha \lambda}{m} \right)}_{< 1} \underbrace{w^{[l]}}_{\text{before omega}} - \alpha \text{(from backprop)} \end{aligned}$$

Weight decay due to a parameter before omega which is less than 1

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