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Basics of Neural Network Programming

Gradient Descent

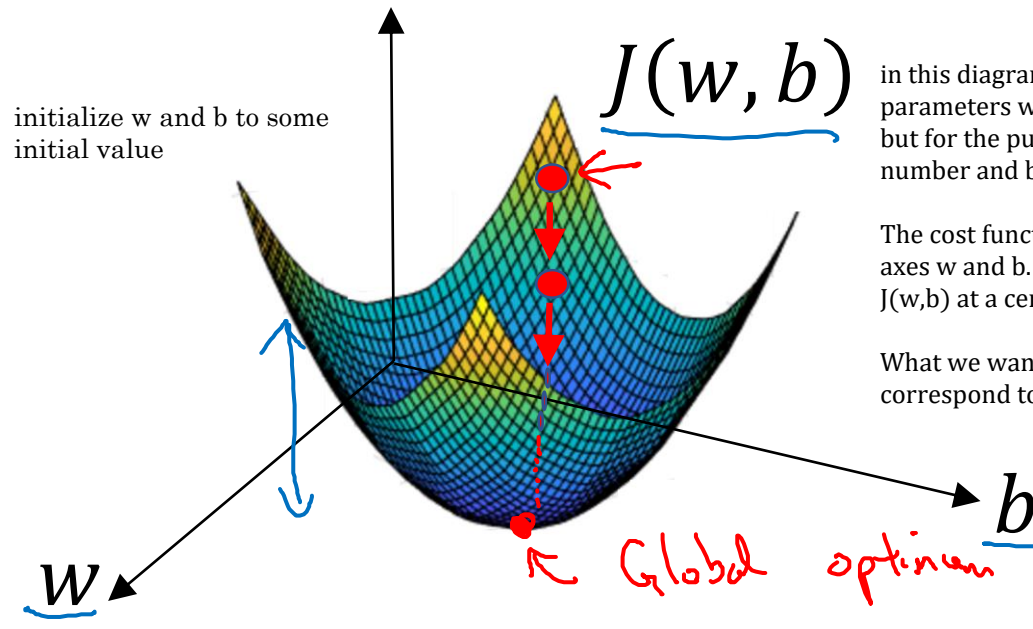
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Recap: $\hat{y} = \sigma(w^T x + b)$, $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ ←

So the cost function measures how well your parameters w and b are doing on the training set

$$\underline{J(w, b)} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}(\underline{\hat{y}^{(i)}}, \underline{y^{(i)}}) = -\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log \hat{y}^{(i)} + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - \hat{y}^{(i)})$$

Want to find w, b that minimize $J(w, b)$

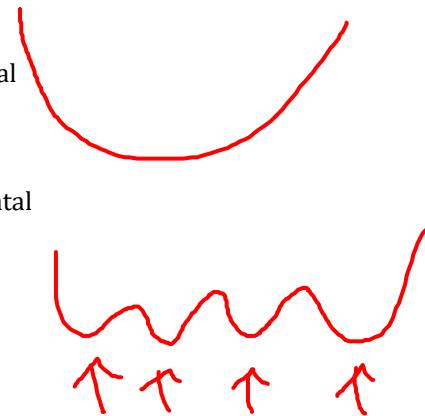


in this diagram the horizontal axes represent your spatial parameters w and b . In practice w can be much higher dimensional but for the purposes of plotting, let's illustrate w as a single real number and b as a single real number.

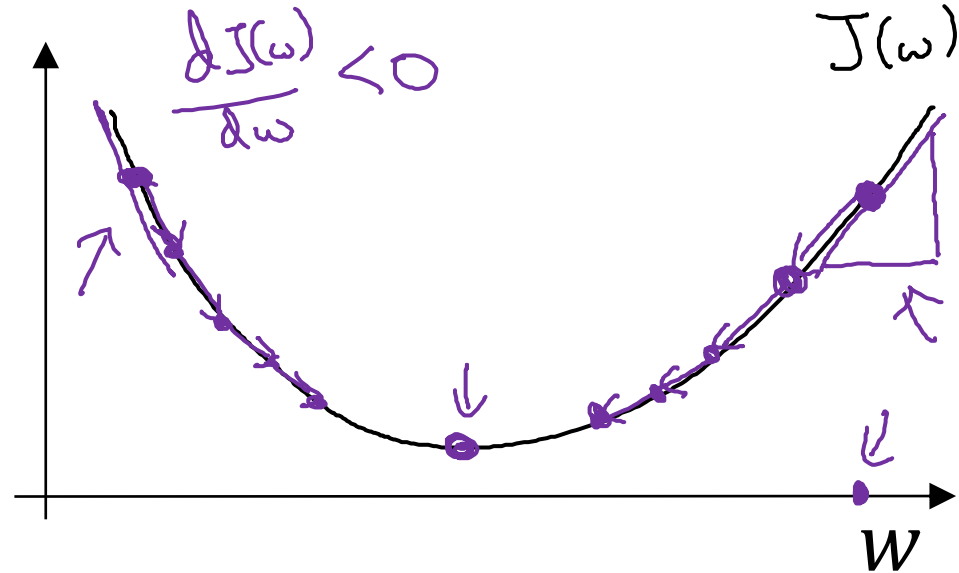
The cost function $J(w, b)$ is then some surface above these horizontal axes w and b . So the height of the surface represent the value of $J(w, b)$ at a certain point.

What we want to do is really find the value of w and b that correspond to the minimum of the cost function J .

for logistic regression almost any initialization method works, initialize the value to zero, but people don't usually do that for logistic regression.



Gradient Descent



Repeat {

$$w := w - \alpha$$

controls how big a step we take on each iteration or gradient descent

$$\frac{dJ(w)}{dw}$$

"dw"

derivative term

$$w := w - \alpha \frac{dJ(w)}{dw}$$

$$\frac{dJ(w)}{dw} = ?$$

$$J(w, b)$$

$$w := w - \alpha \frac{\partial J(w, b)}{\partial w}$$

$$\frac{\partial J(w, b)}{\partial w}$$

$$\partial$$

"partial derivative"

$$J$$

$$b := b - \alpha \frac{\partial J(w, b)}{\partial b}$$

$$\frac{\partial J(w, b)}{\partial b}$$

dw

implement in code

db