

## Feedback — VI. Logistic Regression

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### Question 1

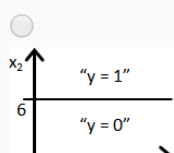
Suppose that you have trained a logistic regression classifier, and it outputs on a new example  $x$  a prediction  $h_\theta(x) = 0.4$ . This means (check all that apply):

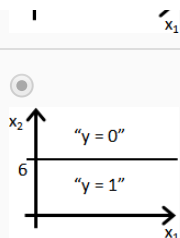
Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ is 0.6.	✓ 0.25	$h_\theta(x)$ gives $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ , not $1 - P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ .
<input type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 0 x; \theta)$ is 0.4.	✓ 0.25	$h_\theta(x)$ is $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ , not $P(y = 0 x; \theta)$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ is 0.4.	✓ 0.25	$h_\theta(x)$ is precisely $P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ , so each is 0.4.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y = 0 x; \theta)$ is 0.6.	✓ 0.25	Since we must have $P(y = 0 x; \theta) = 1 - P(y = 1 x; \theta)$ , the former is $1 - 0.4 = 0.6$ .
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### Question 2

Suppose you train a logistic classifier  $h_\theta(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2)$ . Suppose  $\theta_0 = 6, \theta_1 = 0, \theta_2 = -1$ . Which of the following figures represents the decision boundary found by your classifier?

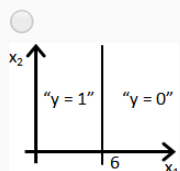
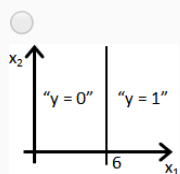
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In this figure, we transition from negative to positive when  $x_2$  goes from above 6 to below 6 which is true for the given values of  $\theta$ .



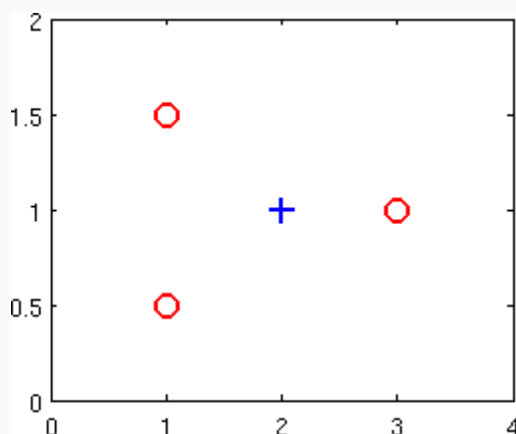
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## Question 3

Suppose you have the following training set, and fit a logistic regression classifier

$$h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2).$$

$x_1$	$x_2$	$y$
1	0.5	0
1	1.5	0
2	1	1
3	1	0



Which of the following are true? Check all that apply.

**Your Answer**

**Score Explanation**

☒ At the optimal value of  $\theta$  (e.g., found by fminunc), we will have  $J(\theta) \geq 0$ .

✓ 0.25



The cost function  $J(\theta)$  is always non-negative for logistic regression.

☐ If we train gradient descent for enough iterations, for some examples  $x^{(i)}$  in the training set it is possible to obtain  $h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) > 1$ .

✓ 0.25

The function  $g(z)$  in the hypothesis  $h_{\theta}(x)$  is the sigmoid function


Sigmoid function  $\frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$  which always lies between 0 and 1.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adding polynomial features (e.g., instead using $h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_1^2 + \theta_4 x_1 x_2 + \theta_5 x_2^2)$ ) could increase how well we can fit the training data.	 0.25	Adding new features can only improve the fit on the training set: since setting $\theta_3 = \theta_4 = \theta_5 = 0$ makes the hypothesis the same as the original one, gradient descent will use those features (by making the corresponding $\theta_j$ non-zero) only if doing so improves the training set fit.
<input type="checkbox"/> Because the positive and negative examples cannot be separated using a straight line, linear regression will perform as well as logistic regression on this data.	 0.25	While it is true they cannot be separated, logistic regression will outperform linear regression since its cost function focuses on classification, not prediction.
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## Question 4

For logistic regression, the gradient is given by  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$ .

Which of these is a correct gradient descent update for logistic regression with a learning rate of  $\alpha$ ? Check all that apply.

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \frac{1}{1+e^{-\theta^T x^{(i)}}} - y^{(i)} \right) x_j^{(i)}$	 0.25	This substitutes the exact form of $h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$ used by logistic regression into the

(simultaneously update for all  $j$ ).

gradient descent update.

☐  $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})x^{(i)}$  ✓ 0.25  
(simultaneously update for all  $j$ ).

This incorrectly multiplies by the vector  $x^{(i)}$  in the summation rather than just  $x_j^{(i)}$ .

☐  $\theta := \theta - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta^T x - y^{(i)})x^{(i)}$  ✓ 0.25

This vectorized version uses the linear regression hypothesis  $\theta^T x$  instead of that for logistic regression.

☒  $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})x_j^{(i)}$  ✓ 0.25  
(simultaneously update for all  $j$ ).

This is a direct substitution of  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$  into the gradient descent update.

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## Question 5

Which of the following statements are true? Check all that apply.

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The cost function $J(\theta)$ for logistic regression trained with $m \geq 1$ examples is always greater than or equal to zero.	✓ 0.25	The cost for any example $x^{(i)}$ is always $\geq 0$ since it is the negative log of a quantity less than one. The cost function $J(\theta)$ is a summation over the cost for each example, so the cost function itself must be greater than or equal to zero.
<input type="checkbox"/> Linear regression always works well for classification if you classify by using a threshold on the prediction made by linear regression.	✓ 0.25	As demonstrated in the lecture, linear regression often classifies poorly since its training procedure focuses on predicting real-valued outputs, not classification.
<input type="checkbox"/> For logistic regression, sometimes gradient descent will	✓ 0.25	The cost function for logistic regression is convex, so gradient descent will always converge to the global minimum. We still might use a more advanced optimization algorithm since they can be faster and don't require you to

converge to a local minimum (and fail to find the global minimum). This is the reason we prefer more advanced optimization algorithms such as fminunc (conjugate gradient/BFGS/L-BFGS/etc).

select a learning rate.

☒ The one-vs-all technique allows you to use logistic regression for problems in which each  $y^{(i)}$  comes from a fixed, discrete set of values.

✓ 0.25

If each  $y^{(i)}$  is one of  $k$  different values, we can give a label to each  $y^{(i)} \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  and use one-vs-all as described in the lecture.

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