

Hypothesis:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

Cost function:

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

Gradient Descent algorithm:

repeat until convergence: {

$$\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

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Let us first expand the term partial derivative term, by subbing in our cost function define above.

We expand the  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$  term:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 \quad (4)$$

Subbing in for  $h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^2 \quad (5)$$

We will now take the partial derivatives of  $\theta_0$  and  $\theta_1$ .

The equation for the partial derivative of the cost function with respect to  $\theta_0$  is shown below:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^2 \quad (6)$$

Applying the Chain Rule to (6) gives the following:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^{2-1} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)}) \right] \quad (7)$$

Looking at the terms in the square brackets, we take the partial derivative of the term with respect to  $\theta_0$ . All other terms are treated as constants, and the derivative of a constant is zero. We can therefore interpret (7) as:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} (\theta_0 + \text{constant} - \text{constant}) \right]$$

The derivative of  $\theta_0$  with respect to  $\theta_0$  is 1, so we have:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot 1 \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \quad (9)$$

Similarly, we take the partial derivative with respect to  $\theta_1$ :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right)^2 \quad (10)$$

We apply the Chain Rule to (10) to arrive at the equation below:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right)^{2-1} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \right] \quad (11)$$

Since we wish to take the derivative with respect to  $\theta_1$  we treat other terms in the square braces as constants:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} \left( \text{constant} + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - \text{constant} \right) \right]$$

The derivate  $\theta_1 x^{(i)}$  with respect to  $\theta_1$  is simply  $x^{(i)}$ , and so we have:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot x^{(i)} \quad (12)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot x^{(i)} \quad (13)$$

Finally, we are left with the following algorithms for Gradient Descent:

$$\theta_0 := \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \quad (14)$$

$$\theta_1 := \theta_1 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot x^{(i)} \quad (15)$$