

## Exercise 2 : Sigmoid function

a/ Let  $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ . Find  $\sigma'(z)$

$$\bullet \quad \sigma'(z) = \frac{(1+e^{-z})'}{(1+e^{-z})^2} = \frac{-1 \cdot e^{-z}}{-(1+e^{-z})^2} = \frac{e^{-z}}{(1+e^{-z})^2}$$

b/ Given:  $\sigma'(z) = \frac{e^{-z}}{(1+e^{-z})^2}$ ;  $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ , show that  $\sigma'(z) = \sigma(z)(1-\sigma(z))$ :

$$\bullet \quad \sigma'(z) = \frac{e^{-z}}{(1+e^{-z})^2} = \left[ \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}} \right]^2 \cdot e^{-z} = \sigma'(z) \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{\sigma(z)} - 1 \right] = \sigma(z) \cdot (1-\sigma(z))$$

c/ Given  $\zeta(z) = -\log(\sigma(-z))$ , find  $\zeta'(z)$  and  $\zeta''(z)$ .

$$\bullet \quad \zeta'(z) = -\frac{\sigma'(-z)}{\sigma(-z)} = \frac{\sigma(-z)(1-\sigma(-z))}{\sigma(-z)} = 1 - \frac{1}{1+e^z} \cdot \frac{e^z}{1+e^z} = \frac{1}{1+e^z} = \sigma(z)$$

$$\bullet \quad \zeta''(z) = \sigma'(z) = \sigma(z)(1-\sigma(z))$$

Find the asymptotes for  $z \rightarrow \pm\infty$

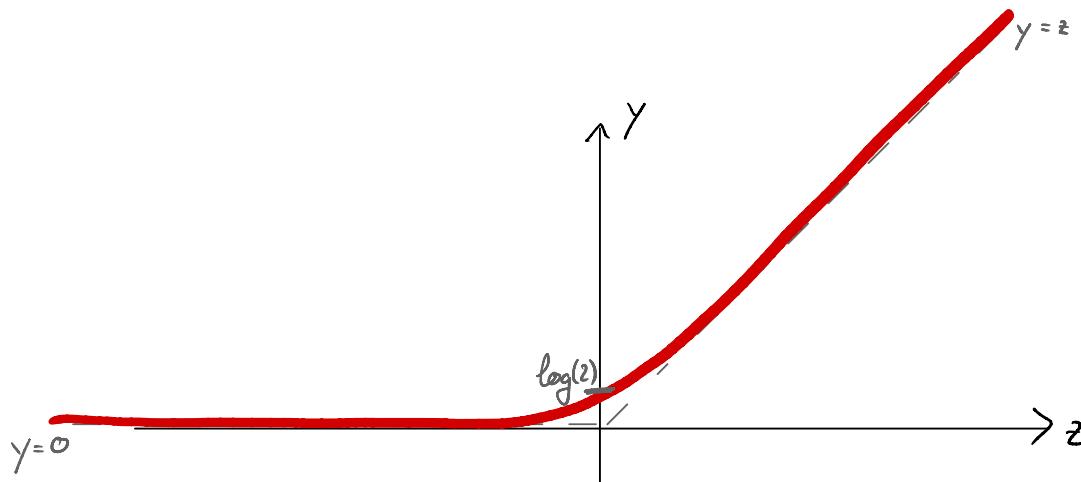
$$\bullet \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} \zeta(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} -\log(\sigma(-z)) = -\log \left[ \lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} \sigma(-z) \right] = -\log \underbrace{\left[ \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{1+e^a} \right]}_1 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow -\infty} \zeta(z) = 0$$

$$\bullet \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\zeta(z)}{z} = \frac{-\infty}{\infty} \dots \text{Following L'Hospital rule we can see:}$$

$$\rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\zeta(z)}{z} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\zeta'(z)}{1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sigma(z)}{1} = 1$$

Thus, one may say:  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \zeta(z) = z$

$$\bullet \quad (\text{for graph}) \quad \zeta(0) = -\log(\sigma(0)) = -\log\left(\frac{1}{1+e^0}\right) = -\log(1/2) = \log(2)$$



Q1 Show that  $c_1(x) = (\sigma(x) - 1)^2$  is non-convex

$$\cdot c_1'(x) = 2 \cdot \sigma'(x) \cdot (\sigma(x) - 1) = 2 \cdot \sigma(x) \cdot (1 - \sigma(x))(\sigma(x) - 1) = -2 \cdot \sigma(x) \cdot (\sigma(x) - 1)^2 = -2 \cdot \sigma(x) \cdot c_1(x)$$

$$\cdot c_1''(x) = -2 \cdot [\sigma'(x) \cdot c_1(x) + \sigma(x) \cdot c_1'(x)]$$

$$= -2 \cdot [\sigma'(x) \cdot c_1(x) - 2\sigma'(x) \cdot c_1(x)] \\ = -2c_1(x) \cdot [\sigma(x) \cdot (1 - \sigma(x)) - 2\sigma^2(x)]$$

$$= -2c_1(x) \cdot [\sigma(x) - 3\sigma^2(x)]$$

$$= -2 \cdot (\sigma(x) - 1)^2 \cdot \sigma(x) \cdot [1 - 2\sigma^2(x)]$$

$$\Rightarrow c''(x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \sigma(x) - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \sigma(x) = 1 \Rightarrow \emptyset$$

$$\text{or } \sigma(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \emptyset$$

$$\text{or } 1 - 2\sigma^2(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \sigma(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

• Analysis when  $x \rightarrow -\infty, \sigma(x) \rightarrow 0^+$

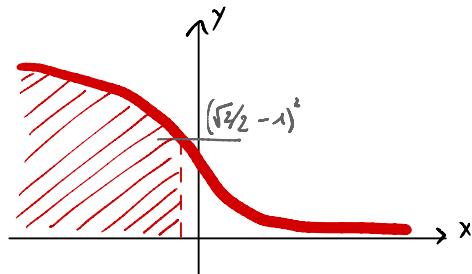
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} c''(x) = -2 \cdot (0^+ - 1)^2 \cdot 0^+ \cdot [1 - 2 \cdot 0^+] = 0^- \rightarrow c(x) \text{ concave}$$

• Analysis when  $x \rightarrow \infty, \sigma(x) \rightarrow 1^-$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} c''(x) = -2(1^- - 1)^2 \cdot 1^- \cdot [1 - 2 \cdot 1^+] < 0^+ \rightarrow c(x) \text{ convex}$$

On the overall  $\mathbb{R}$  domain,  $c(x)$  is non-convex, as it's neither concave nor convex.

$c_1(x)$  may not converge when the initial value is in concave domain of  $c(x)$ , that is



g) Given  $c_2(x) = -\left(\gamma \log(\sigma(\omega \cdot x)) + (1-\gamma) \log(1-\sigma(\omega \cdot x))\right)$ , find  $c_2'(x)$  and  $c_2''(x)$  with respect to  $\omega$ .

$$c_2'(x) = -\left[\gamma \cdot \frac{\sigma'(\omega \cdot x)}{\sigma(\omega \cdot x)} + (1-\gamma) \cdot \frac{-\sigma'(\omega \cdot x)}{1-\sigma(\omega \cdot x)}\right]$$

$$\cdot \sigma'(\omega \cdot x) = x \cdot \sigma(\omega \cdot x)(1-\sigma(\omega \cdot x))$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2'(x) = -\left[\gamma \cdot x(1-\sigma(\omega \cdot x)) - (1-\gamma) \cdot x \cdot \sigma(\omega \cdot x)\right]$$

$$= \sigma(\omega \cdot x) \cdot xy - xy + \sigma(\omega \cdot x) \cdot x(1-\gamma)$$

$$= \sigma(\omega \cdot x) \cdot x - xy$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2''(x) = \sigma'(\omega \cdot x) \cdot x$$

$$= x^2 \cdot \sigma(\omega \cdot x)(1-\sigma(\omega \cdot x))$$

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x^2 > 0$ ,  $\sigma(\omega \cdot x) \cdot (1-\sigma(\omega \cdot x)) > 0 \Rightarrow c_2(x) > 0 \Rightarrow c_2(x)$  is convex.