Optional Lab: Multiple Variable Linear Regression

In this lab, you will extend the data structures and previously developed routines to support multiple features. Several routines are updated making the lab appear lengthy, but it makes minor adjustments to previous routines making it quick to review.

Outline

1.1 Goals

- Extend our regression model routines to support multiple features
  - Extend data structures to support multiple features
  - Rewrite prediction, cost and gradient routines to support multiple features
  - Utilize NumPy `np.dot` to vectorize their implementations for speed and simplicity

1.2 Tools

In this lab, we will make use of:

- NumPy, a popular library for scientific computing
- Matplotlib, a popular library for plotting data

In [1]:

```
import copy, math
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.style.use('./deeplearning.mplstyle')
np.set_printoptions(precision=2)  # reduced display precision on numpy arrays
```

1.3 Notation

Here is a summary of some of the notation you will encounter, updated for multiple features.

General Notation	Description	Python (if applicable)
a	scalar, non bold	
$\mathbf{a}$	vector, bold	
$\mathbf{A}$	matrix, bold capital	
Regression		
$\mathbf{X}$	training example matrix	`X_train`
$\mathbf{y}$	training example targets	`y_train`
$\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$, $y^{(i)}$	i_{th} Training Example	`X[i]`, `y[i]`
m	number of training examples	`m`
n	number of features in each example	`n`
$\mathbf{w}$	parameter: weight,	`w`
b	parameter: bias	`b`
$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})$	The result of the model evaluation at $\mathbf{x^{(i)}}$ parameterized by $\mathbf{w},b$: $f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(i)}+b$	`f_wb`

2 Problem Statement

You will use the motivating example of housing price prediction. The training dataset contains three examples with four features (size, bedrooms, floors and, age) shown in the table below. Note that, unlike the earlier labs, size is in sqft rather than 1000 sqft. This causes an issue, which you will solve in the next lab!

Size (sqft)	Number of Bedrooms	Number of floors	Age of Home	Price (1000s dollars)
2104	5	1	45	460
1416	3	2	40	232
852	2	1	35	178

You will build a linear regression model using these values so you can then predict the price for other houses. For example, a house with 1200 sqft, 3 bedrooms, 1 floor, 40 years old.

Please run the following code cell to create your `X_train` and `y_train` variables.

In [2]:
```
X_train = np.array([[2104, 5, 1, 45], [1416, 3, 2, 40], [852, 2, 1, 35]])
y_train = np.array([460, 232, 178])
```

2.1 Matrix X containing our examples

Similar to the table above, examples are stored in a NumPy matrix `X_train`. Each row of the matrix represents one example. When you have m training examples (m is three in our example), and there are n features (four in our example), $\mathbf{X}$ is a matrix with dimensions (m, n) (m rows, n columns).

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x^{(0)}_0 & x^{(0)}_1 & \cdots & x^{(0)}_{n-1} \\ x^{(1)}_0 & x^{(1)}_1 & \cdots & x^{(1)}_{n-1} \\ \cdots \\ x^{(m-1)}_0 & x^{(m-1)}_1 & \cdots & x^{(m-1)}_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

notation:

- $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ is vector containing example i. $\mathbf{x}^{(i)} = (x^{(i)}_0, x^{(i)}_1, \cdots, x^{(i)}_{n-1})$
- $x^{(i)}_j$ is element j in example i. The superscript in parenthesis indicates the example number while the subscript represents an element.

Display the input data.

In [3]:
```
# data is stored in numpy array/matrix
print(f"X Shape: {X_train.shape}, X Type:{type(X_train)})")
print(X_train)
print(f"y Shape: {y_train.shape}, y Type:{type(y_train)})")
print(y_train)
```

```
X Shape: (3, 4), X Type:<class 'numpy.ndarray'>)
[[2104    5    1   45]
 [1416    3    2   40]
 [ 852    2    1   35]]
y Shape: (3,), y Type:<class 'numpy.ndarray'>)
[460 232 178]
```

2.2 Parameter vector w, b

- $\mathbf{w}$ is a vector with n elements.
  - Each element contains the parameter associated with one feature.
  - in our dataset, n is 4.
  - notionally, we draw this as a column vector

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ \cdots \\ w_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- b is a scalar parameter.

For demonstration, $\mathbf{w}$ and b will be loaded with some initial selected values that are near the optimal. $\mathbf{w}$ is a 1-D NumPy vector.

In [4]:
```
b_init = 785.1811367994083
w_init = np.array([ 0.39133535, 18.75376741, -53.36032453, -26.42131618])
print(f"w_init shape: {w_init.shape}, b_init type: {type(b_init)}")
```

```
w_init shape: (4,), b_init type: <class 'float'>
```

3 Model Prediction With Multiple Variables

The model's prediction with multiple variables is given by the linear model:

$$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}) = w_0x_0 + w_1x_1 + \ldots + w_{n-1}x_{n-1} + b \tag{1}$$

or in vector notation:

$$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b \tag{2}$$

where $\cdot$ is a vector `dot product`

To demonstrate the dot product, we will implement prediction using (1) and (2).

3.1 Single Prediction element by element

Our previous prediction multiplied one feature value by one parameter and added a bias parameter. A direct extension of our previous implementation of prediction to multiple features would be to implement (1) above using loop over each element, performing the multiply with its parameter and then adding the bias parameter at the end.

In [5]:

```
def predict_single_loop(x, w, b):
    """
    single predict using linear regression

    Args:
      x (ndarray): Shape (n,) example with multiple features
      w (ndarray): Shape (n,) model parameters
      b (scalar):  model parameter

    Returns:
      p (scalar):  prediction
    """
    n = x.shape[0]
    p = 0
    for i in range(n):
        p_i = x[i] * w[i]
        p = p + p_i
    p = p + b
    return p
```

In [6]:

```
# get a row from our training data
x_vec = X_train[0,:]
print(f"x_vec shape {x_vec.shape}, x_vec value: {x_vec}")

# make a prediction
f_wb = predict_single_loop(x_vec, w_init, b_init)
print(f"f_wb shape {f_wb.shape}, prediction: {f_wb}")
```

```
x_vec shape (4,), x_vec value: [2104    5    1   45]
f_wb shape (), prediction: 459.9999976194083
```

Note the shape of `x_vec`. It is a 1-D NumPy vector with 4 elements, (4,). The result, `f_wb` is a scalar.

3.2 Single Prediction, vector

Noting that equation (1) above can be implemented using the dot product as in (2) above. We can make use of vector operations to speed up predictions.

Recall from the Python/Numpy lab that NumPy `np.dot()` [link] can be used to perform a vector dot product.

In [7]:
```
def predict(x, w, b):
    """
    single predict using linear regression
    Args:
      x (ndarray): Shape (n,) example with multiple features
      w (ndarray): Shape (n,) model parameters
      b (scalar):             model parameter

    Returns:
      p (scalar):  prediction
    """
    p = np.dot(x, w) + b
    return p
```

In [8]:
```
# get a row from our training data
x_vec = X_train[0,:]
print(f"x_vec shape {x_vec.shape}, x_vec value: {x_vec}")

# make a prediction
f_wb = predict(x_vec,w_init, b_init)
print(f"f_wb shape {f_wb.shape}, prediction: {f_wb}")
```

```
x_vec shape (4,), x_vec value: [2104    5    1   45]
f_wb shape (), prediction: 459.9999976194082
```

The results and shapes are the same as the previous version which used looping. Going forward, `np.dot` will be used for these operations. The prediction is now a single statement. Most routines will implement it directly rather than calling a separate predict routine.

4 Compute Cost With Multiple Variables

The equation for the cost function with multiple variables $J(\mathbf{w},b)$ is:

$$J(\mathbf{w},b) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum\limits_{i = 0}^{m-1} (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 \tag{3}$$

where:

$$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b \tag{4}$$

In contrast to previous labs, $\mathbf{w}$ and $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ are vectors rather than scalars supporting multiple features.

Below is an implementation of equations (3) and (4). Note that this uses a *standard pattern for this course* where a for loop over all `m` examples is used.

In [9]:
```
def compute_cost(X, y, w, b):
    """
    compute cost
    Args:
      X (ndarray (m,n)): Data, m examples with n features
```

```
      y (ndarray (m,)) : target values
      w (ndarray (n,)) : model parameters
      b (scalar)       : model parameter

    Returns:
      cost (scalar): cost
    """
    m = X.shape[0]
    cost = 0.0
    for i in range(m):
        f_wb_i = np.dot(X[i], w) + b           #(n,)(n,) = scalar (see np.dot)
        cost = cost + (f_wb_i - y[i])**2       #scalar
    cost = cost / (2 * m)                      #scalar
    return cost
```

In [10]:
```
# Compute and display cost using our pre-chosen optimal parameters.
cost = compute_cost(X_train, y_train, w_init, b_init)
print(f'Cost at optimal w : {cost}')
```

```
Cost at optimal w : 1.5578904330213735e-12
```

Expected Result: Cost at optimal w : 1.5578904045996674e-12

5 Gradient Descent With Multiple Variables

Gradient descent for multiple variables:

$$\begin{align*} \text{repeat}&\text{ until convergence:} \; \lbrace \newline\;
& w_j = w_j - \alpha \frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w},b)}{\partial w_j} \tag{5} \; & \text{for j = 0..n-1}\newline
&b\ \ = b - \alpha \frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w},b)}{\partial b} \newline \rbrace
\end{align*}$$

where, n is the number of features, parameters w_j, b, are updated simultaneously and where

$$\begin{align}
\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w},b)}{\partial w_j} &= \frac{1}{m} \sum\limits_{i = 0}^{m-1} (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})x_{j}^{(i)} \tag{6} \\
\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w},b)}{\partial b} &= \frac{1}{m} \sum\limits_{i = 0}^{m-1} (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) \tag{7}
\end{align}$$

- m is the number of training examples in the data set
- $f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})$ is the model's prediction, while $y^{(i)}$ is the target value

5.1 Compute Gradient with Multiple Variables

An implementation for calculating the equations (6) and (7) is below. There are many ways to implement this. In this version, there is an

- outer loop over all m examples.
  - $\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w},b)}{\partial b}$ for the example can be computed directly and accumulated

- in a second loop over all n features:
    - $\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{w},b)}{\partial w_j}$ is computed for each w_j.

In [11]:
```
def compute_gradient(X, y, w, b):
    """
    Computes the gradient for linear regression
    Args:
      X (ndarray (m,n)): Data, m examples with n features
      y (ndarray (m,)) : target values
      w (ndarray (n,)) : model parameters
      b (scalar)       : model parameter

    Returns:
      dj_dw (ndarray (n,)): The gradient of the cost w.r.t. the parameters w.
      dj_db (scalar):       The gradient of the cost w.r.t. the parameter b.
    """
    m,n = X.shape           #(number of examples, number of features)
    dj_dw = np.zeros((n,))
    dj_db = 0.

    for i in range(m):
        err = (np.dot(X[i], w) + b) - y[i]
        for j in range(n):
            dj_dw[j] = dj_dw[j] + err * X[i, j]
        dj_db = dj_db + err
    dj_dw = dj_dw / m
    dj_db = dj_db / m

    return dj_db, dj_dw
```

In [12]:
```
#Compute and display gradient
tmp_dj_db, tmp_dj_dw = compute_gradient(X_train, y_train, w_init, b_init)
print(f'dj_db at initial w,b: {tmp_dj_db}')
print(f'dj_dw at initial w,b: \n {tmp_dj_dw}')
```

```
dj_db at initial w,b: -1.6739251122999121e-06
dj_dw at initial w,b:
 [-2.73e-03 -6.27e-06 -2.22e-06 -6.92e-05]
```

Expected Result:

dj_db at initial w,b: -1.6739251122999121e-06

dj_dw at initial w,b:

[-2.73e-03 -6.27e-06 -2.22e-06 -6.92e-05]

5.2 Gradient Descent With Multiple Variables

The routine below implements equation (5) above.

In [13]:
```
def gradient_descent(X, y, w_in, b_in, cost_function, gradient_function, alpha, num_iter
    """
    Performs batch gradient descent to learn w and b. Updates w and b by taking
    num_iters gradient steps with learning rate alpha

    Args:
      X (ndarray (m,n))   : Data, m examples with n features
      y (ndarray (m,))    : target values
      w_in (ndarray (n,)) : initial model parameters
      b_in (scalar)       : initial model parameter
      cost_function       : function to compute cost
```

```
      gradient_function   : function to compute the gradient
      alpha (float)       : Learning rate
      num_iters (int)     : number of iterations to run gradient descent

    Returns:
      w (ndarray (n,)) : Updated values of parameters
      b (scalar)       : Updated value of parameter
      """

    # An array to store cost J and w's at each iteration primarily for graphing later
    J_history = []
    w = copy.deepcopy(w_in)  #avoid modifying global w within function
    b = b_in

    for i in range(num_iters):

        # Calculate the gradient and update the parameters
        dj_db,dj_dw = gradient_function(X, y, w, b)   ##None

        # Update Parameters using w, b, alpha and gradient
        w = w - alpha * dj_dw               ##None
        b = b - alpha * dj_db               ##None

        # Save cost J at each iteration
        if i<100000:      # prevent resource exhaustion
            J_history.append( cost_function(X, y, w, b))

        # Print cost every at intervals 10 times or as many iterations if < 10
        if i% math.ceil(num_iters / 10) == 0:
            print(f"Iteration {i:4d}: Cost {J_history[-1]:8.2f}   ")

    return w, b, J_history #return final w,b and J history for graphing
```

In the next cell you will test the implementation.

In [14]:

```
# initialize parameters
initial_w = np.zeros_like(w_init)
initial_b = 0.
# some gradient descent settings
iterations = 1000
alpha = 5.0e-7
# run gradient descent
w_final, b_final, J_hist = gradient_descent(X_train, y_train, initial_w, initial_b,
                                            compute_cost, compute_gradient,
                                            alpha, iterations)
print(f"b,w found by gradient descent: {b_final:0.2f},{w_final} ")
m,_ = X_train.shape
for i in range(m):
    print(f"prediction: {np.dot(X_train[i], w_final) + b_final:0.2f}, target value: {y_t
```

```
Iteration    0: Cost  2529.46
Iteration  100: Cost   695.99
Iteration  200: Cost   694.92
Iteration  300: Cost   693.86
Iteration  400: Cost   692.81
Iteration  500: Cost   691.77
Iteration  600: Cost   690.73
Iteration  700: Cost   689.71
Iteration  800: Cost   688.70
Iteration  900: Cost   687.69
b,w found by gradient descent: -0.00,[ 0.2   0.   -0.01 -0.07]
prediction: 426.19, target value: 460
prediction: 286.17, target value: 232
prediction: 171.47, target value: 178
```

Expected Result:

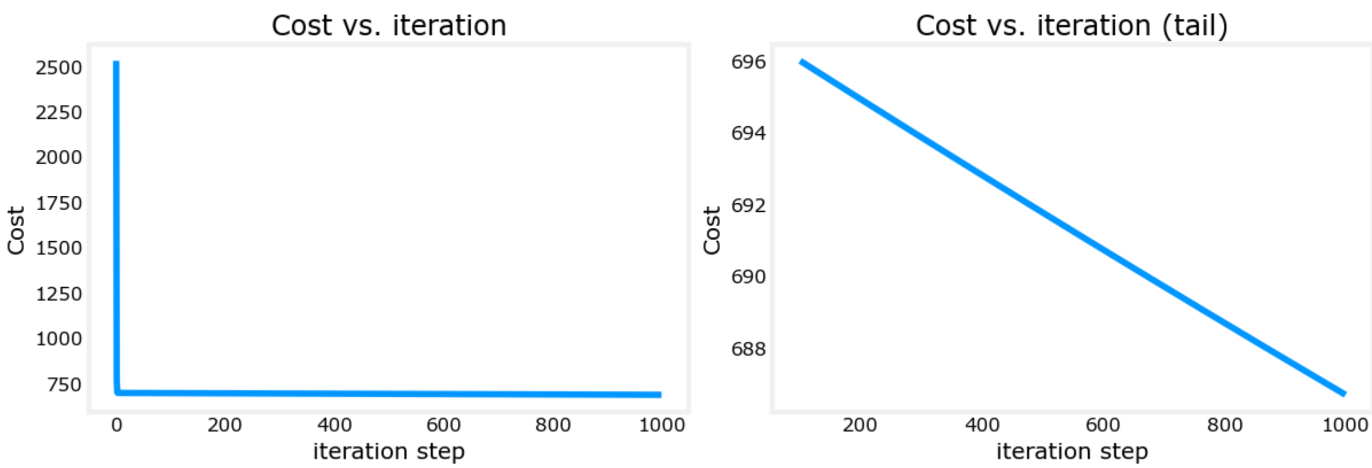
b,w found by gradient descent: -0.00,[0.2 0. -0.01 -0.07]

prediction: 426.19, target value: 460

prediction: 286.17, target value: 232

prediction: 171.47, target value: 178

In [15]:
```
# plot cost versus iteration
fig, (ax1, ax2) = plt.subplots(1, 2, constrained_layout=True, figsize=(12, 4))
ax1.plot(J_hist)
ax2.plot(100 + np.arange(len(J_hist[100:])), J_hist[100:])
ax1.set_title("Cost vs. iteration");  ax2.set_title("Cost vs. iteration (tail)")
ax1.set_ylabel('Cost')             ;  ax2.set_ylabel('Cost')
ax1.set_xlabel('iteration step')   ;  ax2.set_xlabel('iteration step')
plt.show()
```



These results are not inspiring! Cost is still declining and our predictions are not very accurate. The next lab will explore how to improve on this.

6 Congratulations!

In this lab you:

- Redeveloped the routines for linear regression, now with multiple variables.
- Utilized NumPy `np.dot` to vectorize the implementations