**Loss function.** The standard linear model for regression can be written as the dot product between the independent variables and their respective coefficients:  $y_i = \boldsymbol{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}$ . Finding the probability of an input sample being positively classified is performed by adding the logit link function to generate a general linear model. As such, the probability of a positive classification conditioned on the input sample can be written as:

$$P(Y=1 \mid x_i \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \frac{e^{x_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}}}{1 + e^{x_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}}} \tag{1}$$

However, this transforms the output to a probability between 0 and 1. For ML purposes, I transform the link function's range from [0, 1] to [-1, 1].

$$P(Y = 1 \mid x_i \beta) = \frac{2e^{x_i^T \beta}}{1 + e^{x_i^T \beta}} - 1$$
 (2)

Classifying any input sample has a binary output so can be modeled via a Bernoulli distribution. We can therefore write liklihood of a positive classification as:

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(y_i = 1 | \boldsymbol{x_i \beta})^{y_i} P(y_i = -1 | \boldsymbol{x_i \beta})^{1 - y_i}$$
$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} (1 - P(y_i = 1 | \boldsymbol{x_i \beta}))^{1 - y_i} P(y_i = 1 | \boldsymbol{x_i \beta})^{y_i}$$

Replacing with equation 2 we find the liklihood and log-liklihood to be:

$$\begin{split} (1 - P(y_i = 1 | \boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}))^{1 - y_i} P(y_i = 1 | \boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^{y_i} &= \left(\frac{2e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}} - 1\right)^{1 - y_i} 2^{y_i} \left(1 - \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)^{y_i} \\ \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) &= \prod_{i = 1}^n \left(\frac{2e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}} - (1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}})}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)^{1 - y_i} 2^{y_i} \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)^{y_i} \\ &= \prod_{i = 1}^n \left(\frac{e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}} - 1}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)^{1 - y_i} 2y_i \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)^{y_i} \\ \log(\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta})) &= \sum_{i = 1}^n (1 - y_i) \log \left(\frac{e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}} - 1}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right) 2y_i \log(1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}) \\ &= \sum_{i = 1}^n \log(1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}) \end{split}$$

Next we normalize, add in an  $L_2$  norm, and minimize the negative logliklihood to obtain our objective function.

$$F(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \min_{\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}}) + \lambda ||\boldsymbol{\beta}||^2$$
 (3)

The objective function implemented in Python is fairly straight forward.

```
def __objective(self, beta):
    """calculate objective value

Args:
    beta: dX1 (ndarray) weight coefficients

Returns:
    float
    """
    x, y, n, l = self.__x, self.__y, self.__n, self._lamda

loss = np.sum([np.log(1 + np.exp(-yi*xi.T@beta)) for xi, yi in zip(x, y)])
    return loss/n + l*np.linalg.norm(beta)**2
```

**Gradient descent.** In order to optimize the loss function, I choose to use gradient descent; reversing the derivative to descend toward the global minimum. To do this, I take advantage of the linearity of differentiation and begin by assuming both n and d are equal to one. Then, the loss function becomes:

$$\begin{split} F(\beta) &= \frac{1}{1} \sum_{i=1}^{1} \log(1 + e^{-y_1 x_1 \beta}) + \lambda ||\beta||^2 \\ &= \log(1 + e^{-y_1 x_1 \beta}) + \lambda ||\beta||^2 \\ \frac{d}{d\beta} F(\beta) &= \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-y_1 x_1 \beta})} \log(1 + e^{-y_1 x_1 \beta}) + 2\lambda \beta \\ &= \frac{-y_1 x_1 e^{-y_1 x_1 \beta}}{1 + e^{-y_1 x_1 \beta}} + 2\lambda \beta \end{split}$$

Now, we assume n and d are greater than 1, and using equation 1 (as p) in line 2

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{-y_1 \boldsymbol{x_1} e^{-yx_1 \boldsymbol{\beta}}}{1 + e^{-y_1 \boldsymbol{x_1} \boldsymbol{\beta}}} + \dots + \frac{-y_n \boldsymbol{x_n} e^{-yx_n \boldsymbol{\beta}}}{1 + e^{-y_n \boldsymbol{x_n} \boldsymbol{\beta}}} \right] + 2\lambda \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{n} \left[ -y_1 \boldsymbol{x_1} p_1 + \dots + -y_n \boldsymbol{x_n} p_n \right] + 2\lambda \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \boldsymbol{x_i} p_i + 2\lambda \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y^T P X + 2\lambda \boldsymbol{\beta} \quad \text{where} \quad X \in \Re^{nXd}, P \in \Re^{nXn}, Y \in \Re^{1Xn}$$

$$(4)$$

Again, writing equation in Python is incredibly straight forward.

```
def __gradient(self, b):
    """calculate gradient

Args:
    b: dX1 (ndarray) weight coefficients

Returns:
    dX1 ndarray gradient
```

```
x, y, l, n = self._x, self._y, self._lamda, self._n
p = (1 + np.exp(y*(x @ b)))**-1
return 2*l*b - (x.T @ np.diag(p) @ y)/n
```

**Optimization** is performed iteratively using the fast-gradient descent algorithm and backtracking line-search (Armijo stopping condition) for finding the optimal learning rate. Proofs of these algorithms are not including in this document but, the Python code is shown below. It can be reused for any optimization technique that allows for gradient descent.

```
def fit(self, x_train, y_train, pos=1, neg=-1, eta=None, queue=None):
   """fit the classifier
   Args:
      x_train: nXd (ndarray) of training samples
      y_train: nX1 (ndarray) of true labels
      pos: (object) positive class label
      neg: (object) optional negative class label
      eta: (float) optional learning rate
       queue: (Queue) optional logging queue
   Returns:
      trained classifier
   self._pos, self._neg = pos, neg
   self.__x, self.__y = x_train, y_train
   self.__n, self.__d = x_train.shape
   self. eta = self. calc t init() if eta is not None else eta
   self.__log_queue = queue
   self.__fgrad()
   self.__log(dict(
      klass=self._pos,
       iter='END',
      obj=self.__objective(self.coef),
       coef=self.coef)
   return self
def __backtracking(self, beta, t_eta=0.5, alpha=0.5):
   """backtracking line search
   Args:
      beta: dX1 (ndarray) weight coefficients
       t_eta: (float) optional [default=0.5] 0 < t_eta < 1 learning rate for eta
       alpha: (float) optional [default=0.5] 0 < alpha < 1 tune stopping condition
   Returns:
      float: optimum learning rate
   1, t = self._lamda, 1
   gb = self.__gradient(beta)
```

```
n_gb = np.linalg.norm(gb)

found_t, i = False, 0
while not found_t and i < 100:
    if self.__objective(beta - t*gb) < self.__objective(beta) - alpha*t*n_gb**2:
        found_t = True
    elif i == self._max_iter-1:
        break
    else:
        t *= t_eta
        i += 1</pre>
self.__eta = t
return self.__eta
```

**Prediction.** We can take advantage of the following proof to simplify the prediction calculations. We begin by showing that  $P(Y=1|\beta)>P(Y=-1|\xi\beta)\iff \xi^T\beta^*>0$ 

$$P(Y = 1 | x_i \beta) = \frac{e^{x_i^T \beta}}{1 + e^{x_i^T \beta}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{1 + e^{x_i^T \beta}}$$

We need to determine when the ratio of probabilities is > 1.

$$\frac{P(Y=1|\boldsymbol{x_i\beta})}{P(Y=-1|\boldsymbol{x_i\beta})} = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{x_i^T\beta}}}{1+e^{\boldsymbol{x_i\beta}}}(1+e^{\boldsymbol{x_i^T\beta}})$$
 therefore  $e^{\boldsymbol{x_i^T\beta}} > 0 \iff \boldsymbol{x_i^T\beta} > 0$ 

Which gives the following Python snippet for classifying a new sample.

```
def predict(self, x, beta=None):
    """prediction probabilities

Args:
    x: nXd (ndarray) of input values
    beta: dX1 (ndarray) optional weight coefficients
Returns:
    nX1 ndarray of class labels
    """
beta = self.coef if beta is None else beta
    return [self._pos if xi @ beta > 0 else self._neg for xi in x]
```