Gradient Descent: Time Complexity

- Recall: Time complexity for matrix multiplication
 - \circ [A x B] * [B x C] is O(ABC). If A=B=C, then is O(A³)
- Assume we do k iterations
- Our code is:
 - o pred = x @ cur_weights
 - o error = pred t
 - gradient = x.T @ error / examples
- Pred: [nxd] * [dx1] ⇒ O(nd) and output is [nx1]
- Error: O(n), just subtracting two 1D arrays
- Gradient: $[dxn] * [nx1] \Rightarrow O(nd)$
- As we do our algorithm max k iterations, then complexity is O(knd)

Normal Equations: Time Complexity

- X is nxd matrix (n examples, each is d features)
- \bullet $\Theta = (X^TX)^{-1}X^Ty$
- X^TX : is $[dxn] * [nxd] = O(d^2n)$ and output is H = dxd matrix
- H⁻¹= is O(d³) for inverting
- X^Ty: [dxn] * [nx1] = O(dn) and output is R = dx1 matrix
- $H^{-1} \times R = [dxd] * [dx1] = O(d^2)$
 - Observe, it is less operations to divide the operations (H/R) than doing sequential multiplications
 - As otherwise we do $H^{-1} \times X^{T}$ which is $[dxd] * [dxn] \Rightarrow O(d^{2}n)$
 - o In other words: ABC matrices can be grouped: ((AxB)xC) or (A(BxC))
- In total: $O(d^2n) + O(dn) + O(d^2) = O(d^2n)$

Comparison

- O(k x nd) vs O(d x nd)
- ~3000 iterations (k) is usually sufficient (if not too much) for many datasets
- If d is huge (e.g. 50k), gradient descent will be way faster

Side note for Matrix Form for derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSE, } J(\underline{\theta}) &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j} (y^{(j)} - \hat{y}(x^{(j)}))^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j} (y^{(j)} - \underline{\theta} \cdot \underline{x}^{(j)T})^2 \\ \underline{\theta} &= [\theta_0, \dots, \theta_n] \\ \underline{y} &= \begin{bmatrix} x_0^{(1)} & \dots & x_n^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_0^{(m)} & \dots & x_n^{(m)} \end{bmatrix} \\ J(\underline{\theta}) &= \frac{1}{m} (\underline{y}^T - \underline{\theta} \, \underline{X}^T) \cdot (\underline{y}^T - \underline{\theta} \, \underline{X}^T)^T \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \# \text{Python / NumPy:} \\ \mathbf{e} &= \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}. \text{dot(theta.T);} \\ \mathbf{J} &= \mathbf{e}. \mathbf{T}. \text{dot(e) / m } \# = \text{np.mean(e ** 2)} \end{aligned}$$