



CMPT 413/825: Natural Language Processing

# Logistic Regression

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# Naïve Bayes and Logistic Regression

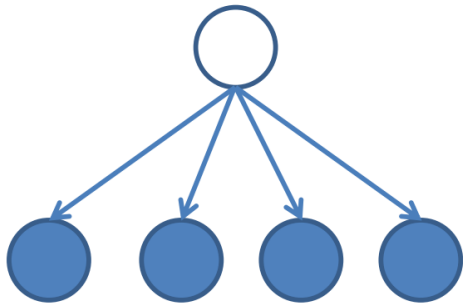
## Naïve Bayes

- Generative Model

$$\hat{c} = \operatorname{argmax}_c P(c)P(d|c)$$

Can sample words to generate document

- Features assumed to be independent



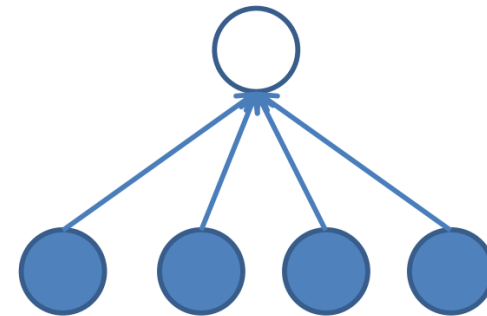
## Logistic Regression

- Discriminative Model

$$\hat{c} = \operatorname{argmax}_c P(c|d)$$

Optimize for  $P(c|d)$  directly

- Features don't have to be independent



# Logistic Regression

- Powerful supervised model
- Baseline approach to most NLP tasks
- Connections with neural networks
- Binary (2 class) or multinomial ( $>2$  classes)

# Logistic Regression Overview

- Input **features**:  $f(x) \rightarrow [f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m]$ 
  - Need to determine features
- Output: estimate  $P(y = c|x)$  for each class  $c$ 
  - Need to model  $P(y = c|x)$  with a **family of functions**
- Train phase: Learn **parameters** of model to minimize loss function
  - Need **Loss function** and **Optimization algorithm**
- Test phase: Apply parameters to predict class given a new input

# Binary Logistic Regression

- Input features:  $f(x) \rightarrow [f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m]$
- Output:  $P(y = 1|x)$  and  $P(y = 0|x)$
- **Classification function:**  $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$
- How is  $z$  related to our features?

$$z = \sum_{i=1}^m w_i f_i + b$$

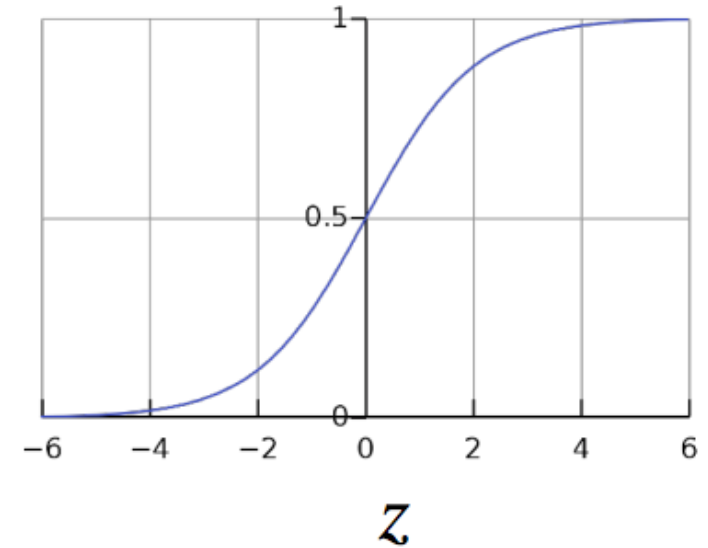
vector notation

$$= \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{f} + b = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{f} + b$$

weight vector                      bias term

$$\mathbf{w} = [w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m]$$

Sigmoid

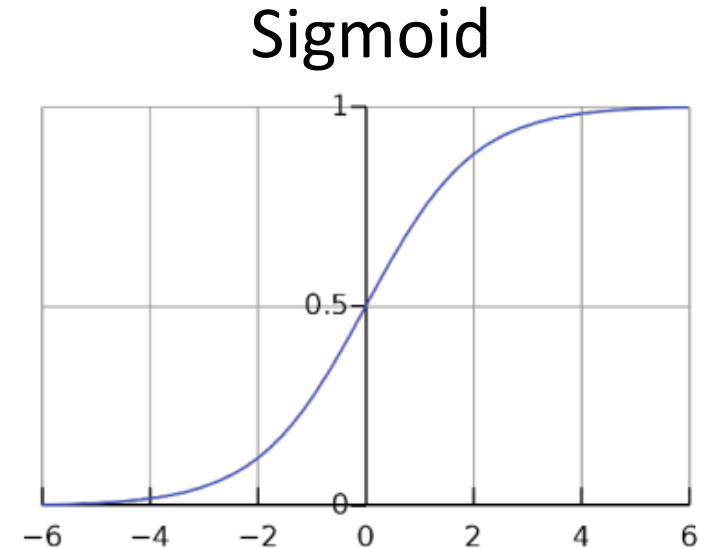


Can roll bias term into  
feature vector  $\mathbf{f}$   
 $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = [1, f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m]$

$$z = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$$
$$\mathbf{v} = [b, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m]_5$$

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dummy feature

Example

Features:  $[1, \text{count}(\text{"amazing"}), \text{count}(\text{"horrible"}), \dots]$

Weights:  $[-1.0, 0.8, -0.4, \dots]$

bias

Q: Why do we need a bias term?

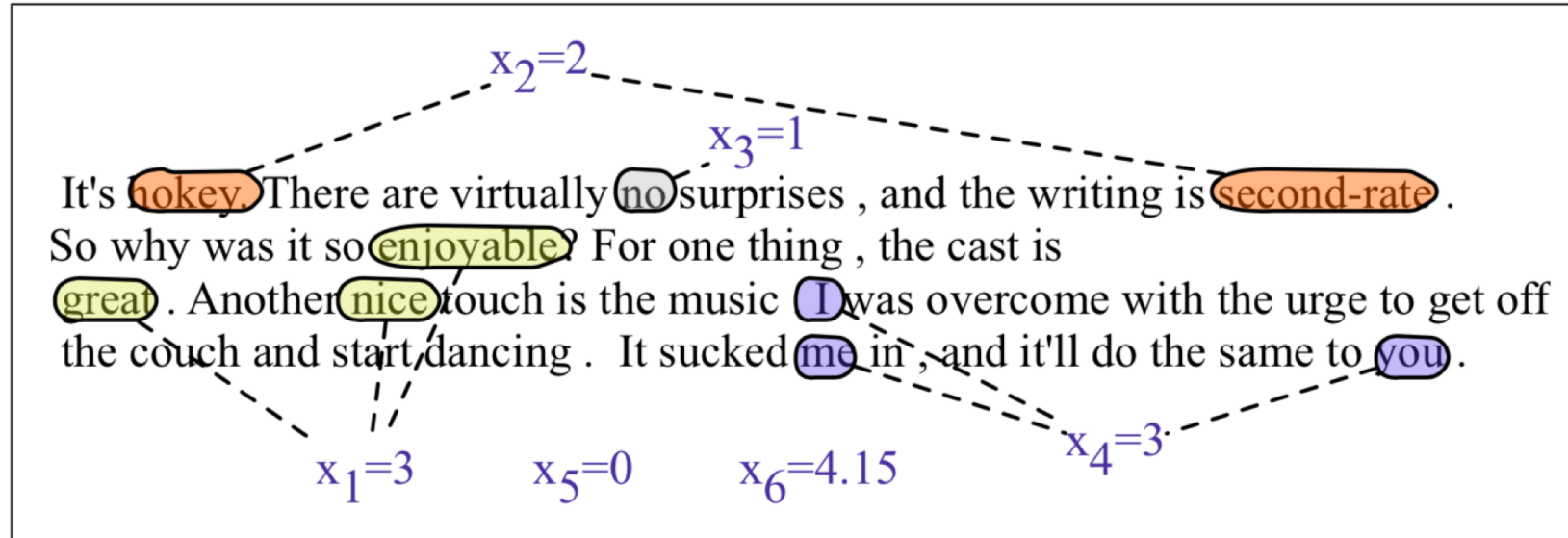
Q: What if it is the only term we had?

Features can be anything!

No more independence assumptions!

Can also add  $\text{count}(\text{"amazing"}, \text{"horrible"})$  to the features

# Sentiment Analysis Example



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$x_2$	count(negative lexicon) $\in$ doc)	2
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$x_4$	count(1st and 2nd pronouns $\in$ doc)	3
$x_5$	$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if "!" } \in \text{ doc} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	0
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- Assume weights  $w = [2.5, -5.0, -1.2, 0.5, 2.0, 0.7]$  and bias  $b = 0.1$

$$\begin{aligned} p(+|x) = P(Y = 1|x) &= \sigma(w \cdot x + b) \\ &= \sigma([2.5, -5.0, -1.2, 0.5, 2.0, 0.7] \cdot [3, 2, 1, 3, 0, 4.15] + 0.1) \\ &= \sigma(.805) \\ &= 0.69 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(-|x) = P(Y = 0|x) &= 1 - \sigma(w \cdot x + b) \\ &= 0.31 \end{aligned}$$



# Learning the weights

- Goal: predict label  $\hat{y}$  as close as possible to actual label  $y$
- Need distance metric/loss function:  $L(\hat{y}, y)$
- Maximum likelihood estimate:

Choose parameters so that  $\log(y|x)$  is maximized over the training dataset

$$\text{Maximize } \log \prod_{i=1}^n P(y^{(i)} | x^{(i)})$$

where  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$  are paired documents and labels

# Binary Cross Entropy Loss

- Let  $\hat{y} = \sigma(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}))$
- Classifier probability:  $P(y|x) = \hat{y}^y (1 - \hat{y})^{1-y}$

$$y = 1: P(y|x) = \hat{y} \qquad y = 0: P(y|x) = 1 - \hat{y}$$

- Log probability:  $\log P(y|x) = y \log \hat{y} + (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{y})$

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- Loss:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\hat{y}, y) &= -\log \prod_{i=1}^n P(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}) = -\sum_{i=1}^n \log P(y^{(i)}|x^{(i)}) \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^n [y^{(i)} \log \hat{y}^{(i)} + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - \hat{y}^{(i)})] \end{aligned}$$

Cross-entropy between the true distribution  $P(y|x)$  and predicted distribution  $P(\hat{y}|x)$

# Binary Cross Entropy Loss

- Cross Entropy Loss:

$$L_{\text{CE}} = - \sum_{i=1}^n \log[y^{(i)} \log \hat{y}^{(i)} + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - \hat{y}^{(i)})]$$

- Ranges from 0 (perfect predictions) to  $+\infty$
- Lower loss = better classifier
- *Cross-entropy* between the true distribution  $P(y|x)$  and predicted distribution  $P(\hat{y}|x)$

# Multinomial Logistic Regression

- Input features:  $f(x) \rightarrow [f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m]$
- Output:  $P(y = c|x)$  for each class  $c$
- Classification function **Softmax**

$$\frac{\exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, y))}{\underbrace{\sum_{y'} \exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, y'))}_{\text{Normalization}}}$$

Features are a function of both input  $x$  and output class  $c$

Values are now between 0 and 1

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Var	Definition	Wt
$f_1(0, x)$	$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if “!”} \in \text{doc} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	-4.5
$f_1(+, x)$	$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if “!”} \in \text{doc} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	2.6
$f_1(-, x)$	$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if “!”} \in \text{doc} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	1.3

# Multinomial Logistic Regression

- Generalize binary loss to multinomial CE loss

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\text{CE}}(\hat{y}, y) &= - \sum_{c=1}^k 1\{y = c\} \log P(y = c | x) \\ &= \sum_{c=1}^k 1\{y = c\} \frac{\exp(\mathbf{v}_c \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, c))}{\sum_{y'=1}^k \exp(\mathbf{v}_{y'} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, y'))} \end{aligned}$$

# Logistic Regression Model Summary

- Classification function family:

$$\Pr(y|\mathbf{x};\mathbf{v}) = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, y))}{\sum_{y'} \exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, y'))}$$

- Maximize log probability = Minimize cross-entropy

- Log probability can be decomposed into

$$\log \Pr(y | \mathbf{x}; \mathbf{v}) = \underbrace{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, y)}_{\text{linear term}} - \underbrace{\log \sum_{y'} \exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, y'))}_{\text{normalization term}}$$

- Log-linear model
- Maxent
- Shallow neural network



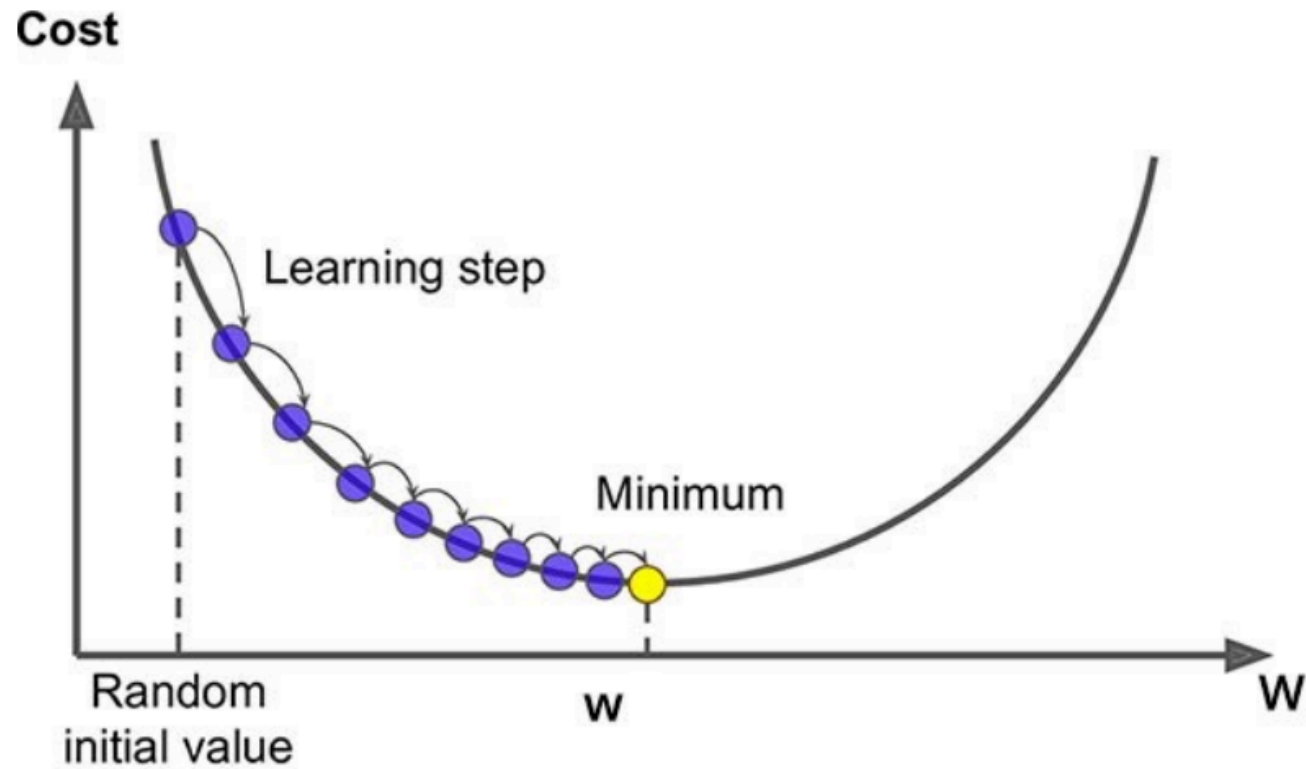
# Optimization

- We have our loss function and our estimator  $\hat{y} = \sigma(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}))$
- How do we find the best set of parameters/weights:  $\mathbf{v}$

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \hat{\theta} = \arg \min \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n L_{CE}(y^{(i)}, x^{(i)}; \theta)$$

- Use gradient descent!
  - Find direction of steepest slope
  - Move in opposite direction

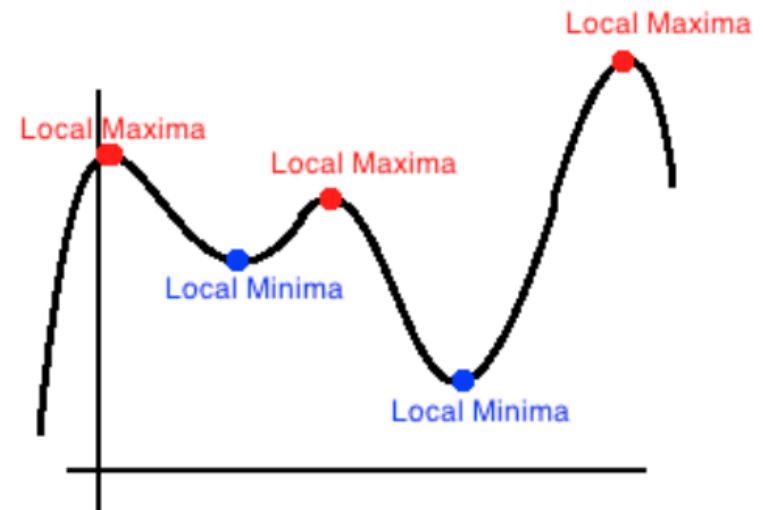
# Gradient descent (1-D)



$$\theta^{t+1} = \theta^t - \eta \frac{d}{d\theta} f(x; \theta)$$

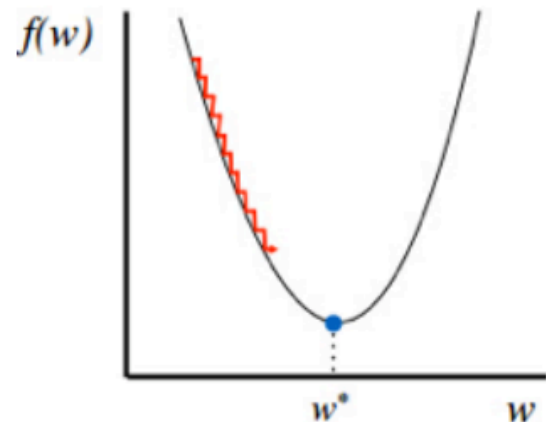
# Gradient descent for LR

- Cross entropy loss for logistic regression is **convex** (i.e. has only one global minimum)
  - No local minima to get stuck in
- Deep neural networks are not so easy
  - Non-convex

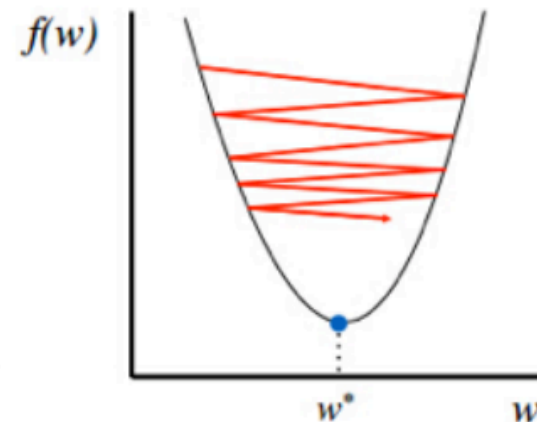


# Learning Rate

- Updates:  $\theta^{t+1} = \theta^t - \eta \frac{d}{d\theta} f(x; \theta)$  Magnitude of movement
- Higher/faster learning rate = larger update



Too small: converge  
very slowly

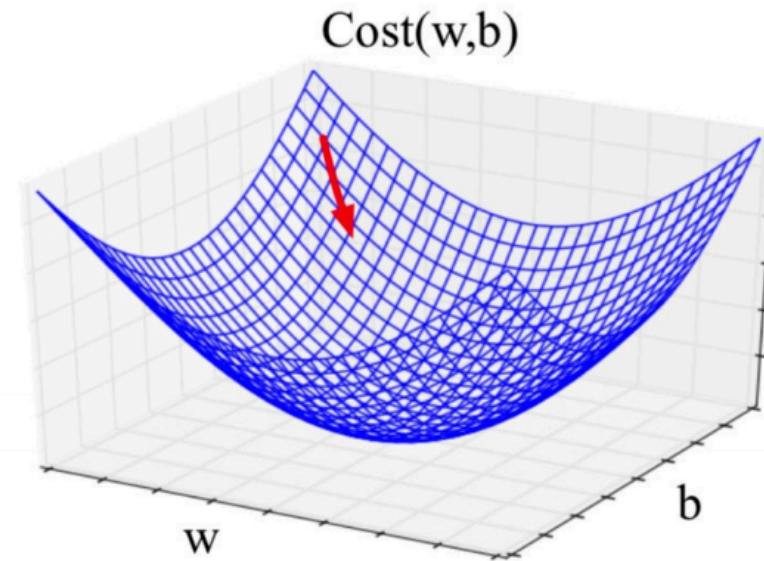


Too big: overshoot and  
even diverge

# Gradient descent with vector weights

Express slope as a partial derivative of loss w.r.t each weight:

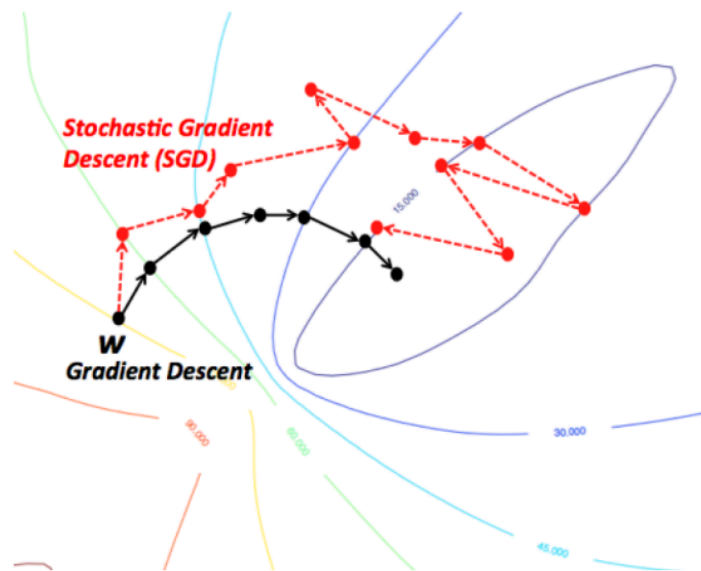
$$\nabla_{\theta} L(f(x; \theta), y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} L(f(x; \theta), y) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial w_2} L(f(x; \theta), y) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial w_n} L(f(x; \theta), y) \end{bmatrix}$$



Updates:  $\theta^{(t+1)} = \theta^t - \eta \nabla L(f(x; \theta), y)$

# Stochastic Gradient Descent

- Online optimization
- Compute loss and minimize after each training examples (or mini-batch)



# Regularization

- May overfit on the training data!
- Use regularization to prevent overfitting!
- Objective function:

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(y^{(i)} | x^{(i)}) - \alpha R(\theta)$$

Penalize large weights

# L2 Regularization

$$R(\theta) = ||\theta||^2 = \sum_{j=1}^d \theta_j^2$$

Euclidean distance of weight vector  $\theta$  from origin

L2 regularized objective:

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(y^{(i)} | x^{(i)}) - \alpha \sum_{j=1}^d \theta_j^2$$



# L1 Regularization

$$R(\theta) = ||\theta||_1 = \sum_{j=1}^d |\theta_j|$$

Manhattan distance of weight vector  $\theta$  from origin

L1 regularized objective:

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(y^{(i)} | x^{(i)}) - \alpha \sum_{j=1}^d |\theta_j|$$

# L2 vs L1 regularization

- L2 is easier to optimize
  - L1 is complex since the derivative of  $|\theta|$  is not continuous at 0
- L2 leads to many small weights
  - L1 prefers sparse weight vectors with many weights set to 0

