

Computational Linguistics

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Lecture 7: Logistic Regression

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Lecture plan

- Naive Bayes and Laplace smoothing review
- Logistic regression
 - feature representation
 - classification function: **sigmoid**
 - loss function: **cross-entropy loss**
 - optimization algorithm: **gradient descent**
- Short break (15 mins)
- Hands-on exercises

Naive Bayes classifier

Bayes rule: $P(\text{male}|\text{卓琳}) = P(\text{卓琳}|\text{male})P(\text{male})$

$$P(\text{female}) = \frac{7}{10} \quad P(\text{male}) = \frac{3}{10}$$

卓琳 = [卓, 琳] → **features**

$$P(\text{卓琳}|\text{male}) \approx P(\text{卓}|\text{male}) P(\text{琳}|\text{male})$$

$$P(\text{卓}|\text{male}) = \frac{\text{Count}(\text{卓 in male names})}{\text{Count}(\text{all chatacters in male names})} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(\text{琳}|\text{male}) = \frac{\text{Count}(\text{琳 in male names})}{\text{Count}(\text{all chatacters in male names})} = \frac{0}{6}$$

$$P(\text{卓琳}|\text{male}) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{0}{6} = 0$$

- 歐承璋 M
- 李思穎 F
- 陳敏琪 F
- 廖倚琳 F
- 吳建瑞 M
- 馮紫晴 F
- 廖卓楠 M
- 徐婉晴 F
- 周咏楠 F
- 馬卓妍 F
- 袁卓琳 ?

Laplace (Add-1) smoothing

$$P(\text{卓}|\text{male}) = \frac{\text{Count}(\text{卓 in male names}) + 1}{\text{Count}(\text{all chatacters in male names}) + \text{Count}(V)} = \frac{2}{6+17}$$

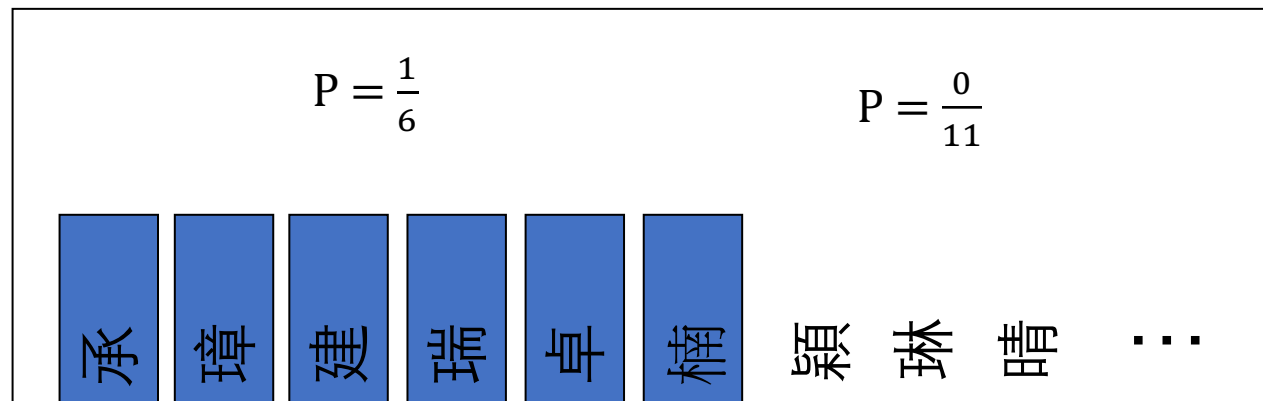
$$P(\text{琳}|\text{male}) = \frac{\text{Count}(\text{琳 in male names}) + 1}{\text{Count}(\text{all chatacters in male names}) + \text{Count}(V)} = \frac{1}{6+17}$$

$$P(\text{卓琳}|\text{male}) = \frac{2}{23} \times \frac{1}{23} = \frac{2}{529}$$

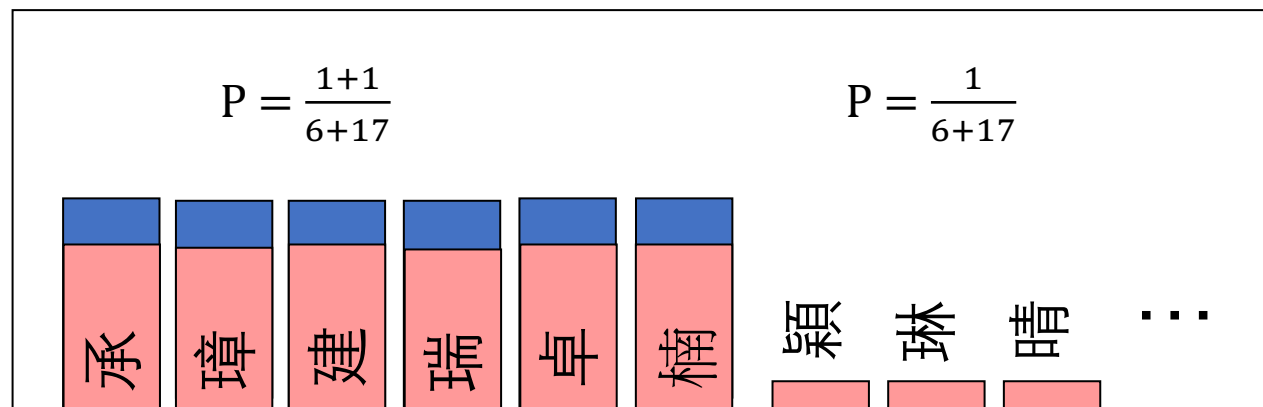
Why vocabulary size in the denominator?

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Laplace (Add-1) smoothing



$$\frac{1}{6} \times 6 + \frac{0}{11} \times 11 = 1$$



$$\frac{2}{23} \times 6 + \frac{1}{23} \times 11 = 1$$

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Logistic regression

The task of text classification

- *Input:*
 - a document x
 - a fixed set of classes $C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_J\}$
- *Output:* a predicted class $\hat{y} \in C$

Naive Bayes: Compare $P(\text{male}|\text{卓琳})$ $P(\text{female}|\text{卓琳})$
→ **generative classifier**

Logistic regression: $P(\text{male}|\text{卓琳})$
→ **discriminative classifier**

Components of logistic regression

1. **feature representation** of the input. For each input observation $x^{(i)}$, a vector of features $[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$.
 $x^{(i)} = [\text{卓}, \text{琳}]$
 $= [\text{卓}, \text{琳}, \text{Cheuk}, \text{Lam}, \text{LLA}]$
2. **classification function** that computes \hat{y} , the estimated class: **sigmoid** functions
3. **objective function for learning**: **cross-entropy loss**
4. **algorithm for optimizing** the objective function: **gradient descent**

Features in logistic regression

Input vector: $x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]$

[卓, 琳, Cheuk, Lam, LLA]

Probability of these features in **female** names:

→ $x = [0.5, 0.7, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8]$

Weights: one per feature: $w = [w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n]$

→ $w = [0.1, 0.8, -0.1, 0.2, 0.7]$

Prediction: $z = w \cdot x + b$

$$\begin{aligned} z &= w_1 * x_1 + w_2 * x_2 + w_3 * x_3 + w_4 * x_4 + w_5 * x_5 + b \\ &= 0.25 + 0.56 + (-0.05) + 0.12 + 0.56 + 0.3 \\ &= 1.74 \end{aligned}$$

Transform prediction into probability

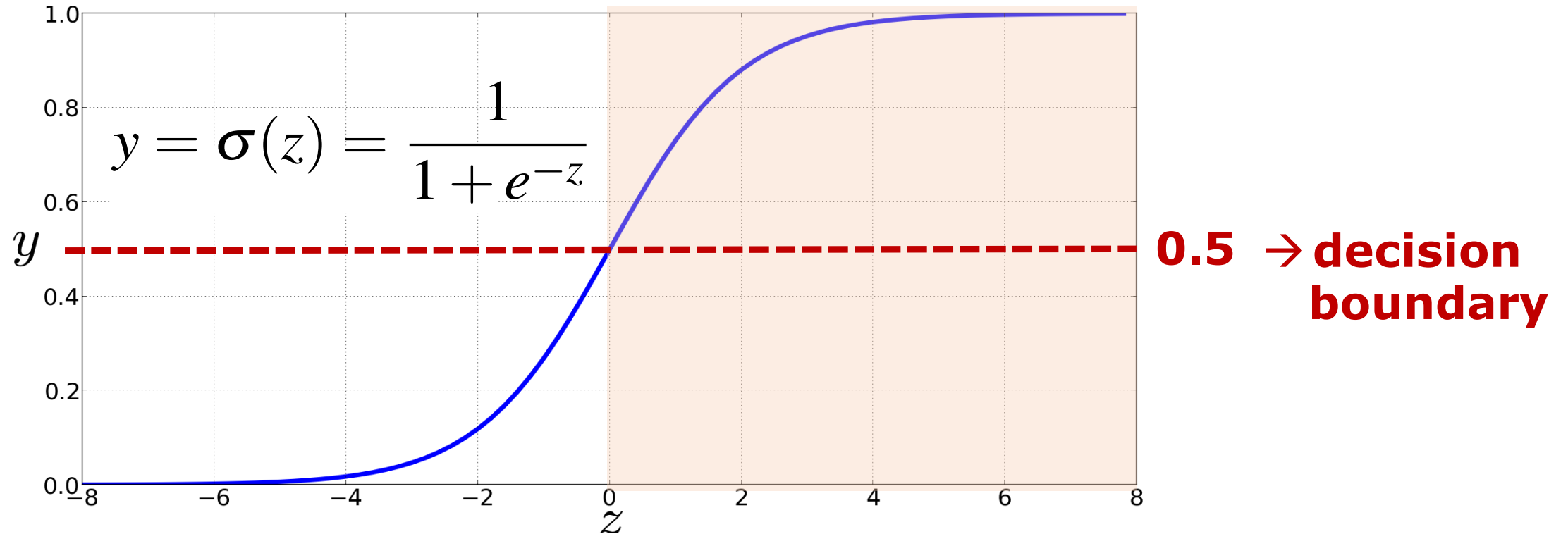
$$z = w \cdot x + b$$

z is a **number**, But we We'd like a classifier that gives us a **probability**, just like Naive Bayes did

Solution: use a function of z that goes from 0 to 1

$$y = \sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-z)} \quad \rightarrow \text{the sigmoid function}$$

The sigmoid function



$$\hat{y} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } P(y = 1|x) > 0.5 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{if } w \cdot x + b > 0 \\ \text{if } w \cdot x + b \leq 0 \end{array}$$

Example

[卓, 琳, Cheuk, Lam, LLA]

$$x = [0.5, 0.7, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8]$$

$$w = [0.1, 0.8, -0.1, 0.2, 0.7]$$

$$z = w \cdot x + b$$

$$= w_1 * x_1 + w_2 * x_2 + w_3 * x_3 + w_4 * x_4 + w_5 * x_5 + b$$

$$= 0.25 + 0.56 + (-0.05) + 0.12 + 0.56 + 0.3$$

$$= 1.74$$

$$\hat{y} = \sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-1.74}} = 0.85 > 0.5 \rightarrow \text{female}$$

How to calculate weights?

Supervised classification:

We know the correct label y (either 0 or 1) for each x .

But what the system produces is an estimate, \hat{y}

We want to know how far is the classifier output:

$$\hat{y} = \sigma(w \cdot x + b)$$

from the true output:

$$y = \text{either 0 or 1}$$

We'll call this difference the **loss**:

$$L(\hat{y}, y) = \text{how much } \hat{y} \text{ differs from the true } y$$

Cross-entropy loss

Goal: **maximize** the probability of the correct label $p(y|x)$

Since there are only 2 outcomes (0 or 1), we can express the probability $p(y|x)$ from our classifier as:

$$p(y|x) = \hat{y}^y (1 - \hat{y})^{1-y}$$

if $y=1$, this simplifies to \hat{y}
if $y=0$, this simplifies to $1 - \hat{y}$

Now take the log of both sides:

$$\begin{aligned}\log p(y|x) &= \log [\hat{y}^y (1 - \hat{y})^{1-y}] \\ &= y \log \hat{y} + (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{y})\end{aligned}$$

Now flip sign to turn this into a loss: Something to **minimize**

$$L_{\text{CE}}(\hat{y}, y) = -\log p(y|x) = -[y \log \hat{y} + (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{y})]$$

cross-entropy loss: negative log likelihood loss

Example

[卓, 琳, Cheuk, Lam, LLA]

$$x = [0.5, 0.7, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8]$$

$$w = [0.1, 0.8, -0.1, 0.2, 0.7]$$

$$b = 0.5$$

$$\hat{y} = \sigma(w \cdot x + b) = 0.85$$

if 卓琳 is female: $y = 1$:

$$L_{CE}(\hat{y}, y) = -(y \log \hat{y} + (1-y) \log(1 - \hat{y})) = -\log(0.85) = 0.16$$

if 卓琳 is male: $y = 0$:

$$L_{CE}(\hat{y}, y) = -(y \log \hat{y} + (1-y) \log(1 - \hat{y})) = -\log(1 - 0.85) = 1.9$$

→ The loss is greater when the prediction is wrong

Minimize the loss

Let's make explicit that the loss function is parameterized by weights $\theta=(w,b)$

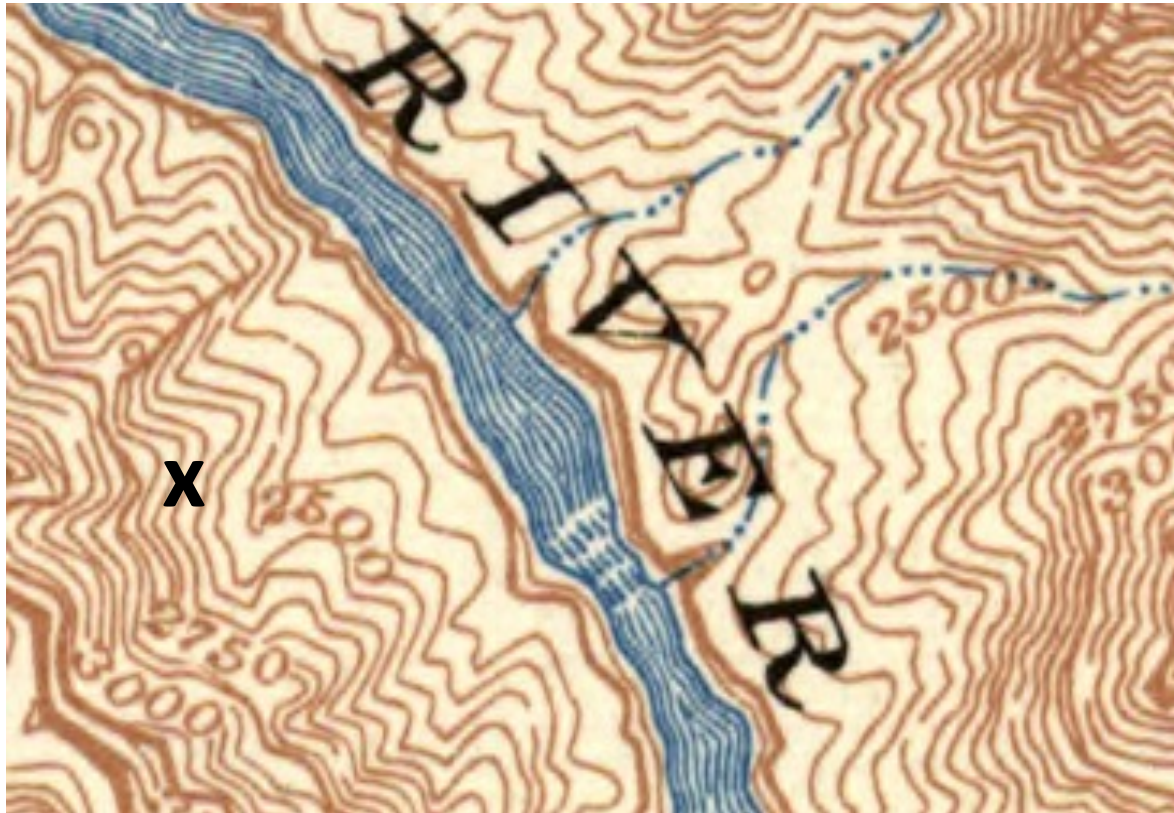
And we'll represent \hat{y} as $f(x;\theta)$ to make the dependence on θ more obvious

We want the weights that minimize the loss, averaged over all examples:

$$\hat{\theta} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m L_{\text{CE}}(f(x^{(i)}; \theta), y^{(i)})$$

Gradient descent

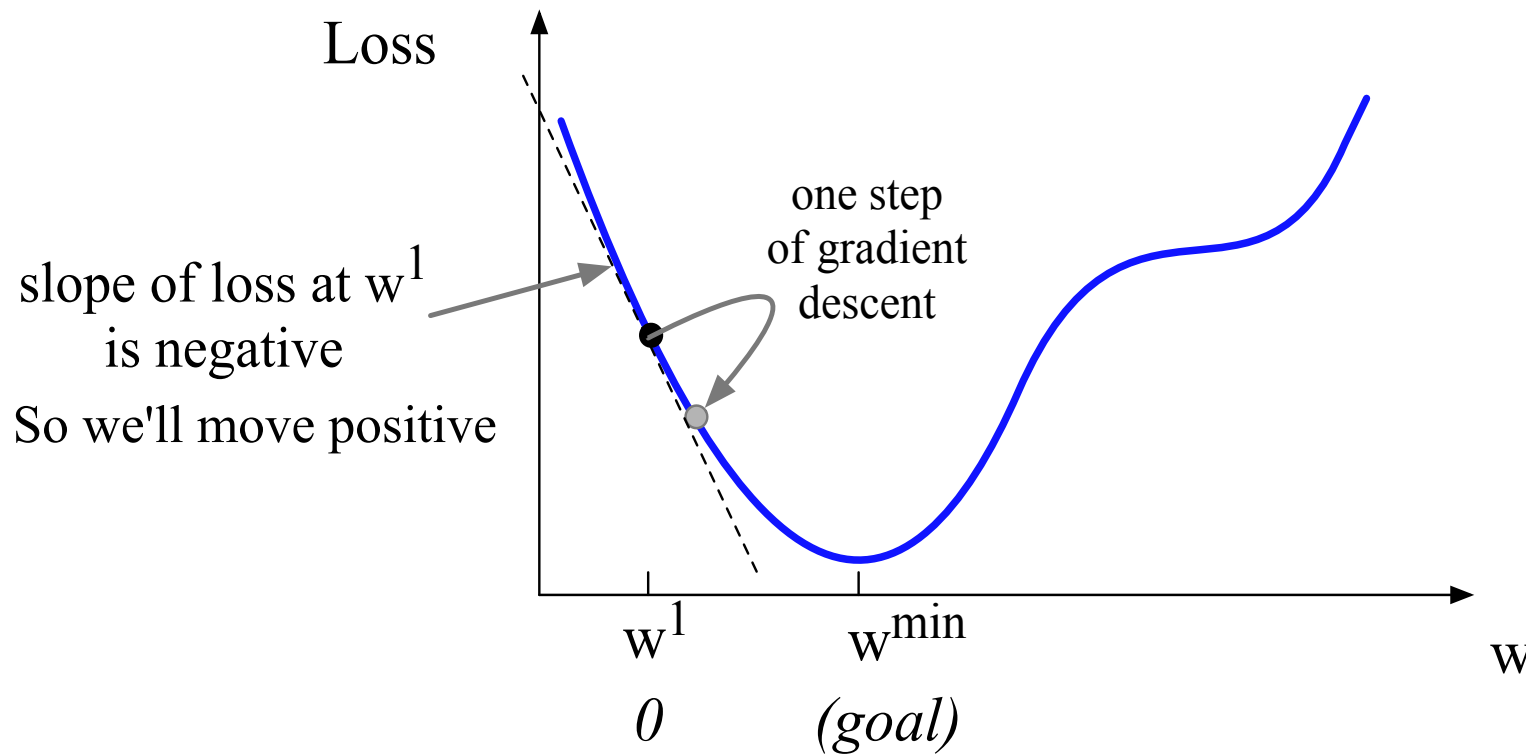
How do I get to the bottom of this river canyon?



Look around me 360°
Find the direction of
steepest slope down
Go that way

Gradient descent for a single scaler

Minimize loss: Given the current w , Move w in the reverse direction from the slope of the function




The **gradient** of a function of many variables is a vector pointing in the direction of the greatest **increase** in a function.

Gradient descent: Find the gradient of the loss function at the current point and move in the **opposite** direction.

Gradient descent

The new weight w^{t+1} is the old weight w^t minus the value of the gradient weighted by a learning rate η

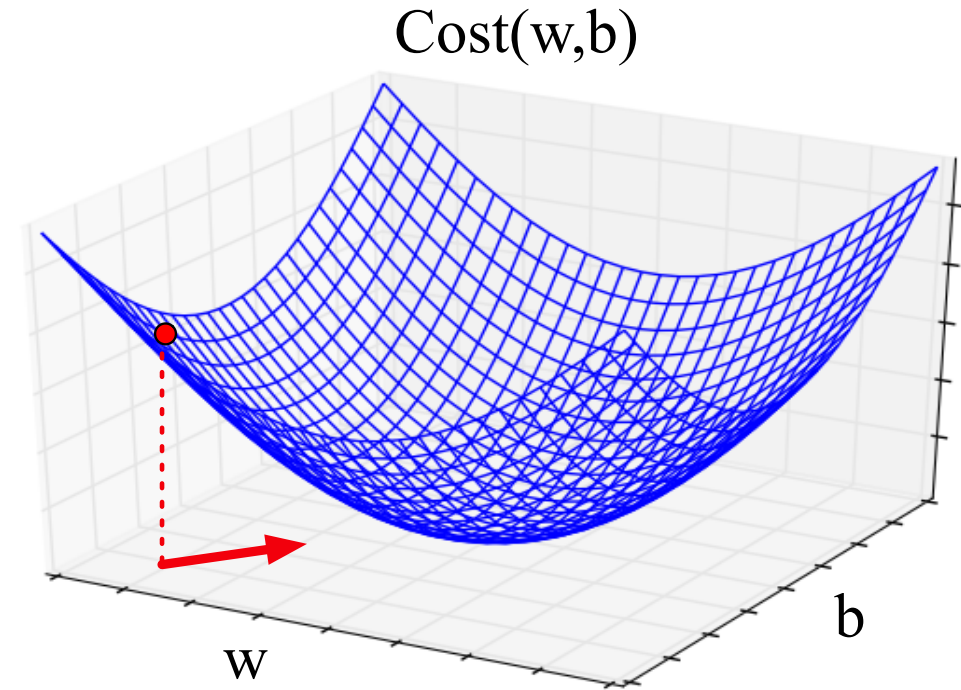
$$w^{t+1} = w^t - \eta \frac{d}{dw} L(f(x; w), y)$$


learning rate: Higher learning rate means move w faster
→ a **hyperparameter**
not learned by algorithm from supervision, but are chosen by algorithm designer.

gradient (a vector of the derivatives with respect to the weight w)

Gradient in N-dimensional space

The gradient expresses the directional components of the sharpest slope along each of the N dimensions. For each dimension w_i , we express the slope as a **partial derivative** ∂ of the loss ∂w_i



The derivative of

$$L_{\text{CE}}(\hat{y}, y) = -[y \log \sigma(w \cdot x + b) + (1 - y) \log (1 - \sigma(w \cdot x + b))]$$

is:

$$\frac{\partial L_{\text{CE}}(\hat{y}, y)}{\partial w_j} = [\sigma(w \cdot x + b) - y] x_j$$

Example

[卓, 琳, Cheuk, Lam, LLA]
 $x = [0.5, 0.7, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8]$

1. initialize w and b , set η
 $w = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0]$, $b = 0$, $\eta = 0.1$

2. compute \hat{y}
 $\hat{y} = \sigma(w \cdot x + b) = 0.5$

3. compute the gradients for w and b
 $Gw = (0.5 - y)x = -0.5x = [-0.25, -0.35, -0.25, -0.3, -0.4]$
 $Gb = 0.5 - y = -0.5$

4. update w and b
 $w_{t+1} = w_t - Gw = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0] - [-0.25, -0.35, -0.25, -0.3, -0.4]$
 $\quad = [0.25, 0.35, 0.25, 0.3, 0.4]$
 $b_{t+1} = b_t - Gb = 0 - (-0.5) = 0.5$

Calculate gradient descent over all examples

[卓, 琳, Cheuk, Lam, LLA] $x_1 = [0.5, 0.7, 0.5, 0.6, 0.8]$
[承, 璋, Shing Cheung, LLA] $x_2 = [-0.6, -0.8, -0.1, -0.6, 0.8]$

1. initialize w and b , set η
 $w = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0]$, $b = 0$, $\eta = 0.1$

2. compute \hat{y}
 $\hat{y}_1 = \sigma(w \cdot x + b) = 0.5$, $\hat{y}_2 = \sigma(w \cdot x + b) = 0.5$

3. compute the gradients for w and b
 $Gw = \frac{1}{2}((0.5 - y)x_1 + (0.5 - y)x_2) = \frac{1}{2}(-0.5x_1 - 0.5x_2) = [0.025, 0.025, -0.1, 0, -0.2]$
 $Gb = \frac{1}{2}((0.5 - y_1) + (0.5 - y_2)) = 0$

4. update w and b
 $w_{t+1} = w_t - Gw = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0] - [0.025, 0.025, -0.1, 0, -0.2]$
 $\quad = [-0.025, -0.025, 0.1, 0, 0.2]$
 $b_{t+1} = b_t - Gb = 0$

Batch gradient descent

Update weights using the gradient that averaged over all examples:

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\hat{y}^i - y^i) X_j^i$$

To do

- Do HW6
- Optional reading: **SLP** Ch5