CS 4850: Introduction to Machine Learning

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Homework 1: Likelihoods and Gradients

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In class we showed that the likelihood in logistic regression is given by:

$$\mathbb{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta}|\mathbf{Y},\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}_{i}}}\right)^{\mathbf{y}_{i}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}_{i}}}\right)^{1 - \mathbf{y}_{i}}.$$
(1.1)

- (a) Derive an expression for the log-likelihood.
- (b) Derive an expression for the gradient of the log-likelihood.