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Q: Is  $f(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in [N]} f_i(w) + \lambda \|w\|_2^2$  Lipschitz cont?  
If so, find the smallest B.

$$f_i(w) = \log(1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T w})$$

A: Solution: We will show that  $\|\nabla f(w)\| \leq B$  for  $\|w\| \leq D$

$$\bullet \nabla f(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \nabla f_i(w) + 2\lambda w$$

$$\bullet \nabla f_i(w) = (1 + e^{-y_i x_i^T w})^{-1} e^{-y_i x_i^T w} (-y_i x_i) \\ = (e^{y_i x_i^T w} + 1)^{-1} (-y_i x_i) = -\frac{y_i}{1 + e^{y_i x_i^T w}} x_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(w) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in [N]} -\frac{y_i}{1 + e^{y_i x_i^T w}} x_i + 2\lambda w$$

$$\|\nabla f(w)\| = \left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_i -\frac{y_i}{1 + e^{y_i x_i^T w}} x_i + 2\lambda w \right\|$$

triangular  
ineq.  $\rightarrow$

$$\leq \left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \frac{-y_i}{1 + e^{y_i x_i^T w}} x_i \right\| + 2\lambda \|w\|$$

$\hookrightarrow$

$$\leq \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \left\| \frac{-y_i}{1 + e^{y_i x_i^T w}} x_i \right\| + 2\lambda \|w\|$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \frac{|y_i| \|x_i\|}{1 + e^{y_i x_i^T w}} + 2\lambda \|w\|$$

{ using that  $-|y_i| \|x_i\| \|w\| \leq x_i^T w$  from Cauchy-Schwarz, }  
(By  $|y_i x_i^T w| \leq |y_i| \|x_i\| \|w\|$ ) we get

$$\leq \frac{1}{N} \sum \frac{|y_i| \|x_i\|}{1 + e^{-|y_i| \|x_i\| \|w\|}} + 2\lambda \|w\|$$

{ For  $\|w\| \leq D$ , we have }

$$\leq \frac{1}{N} \sum \frac{|y_i| \|x_i\|}{1 + e^{-|y_i| \|x_i\| D}} + 2\lambda D \leq \frac{1}{N} \sum |y_i| \|x_i\| + 2\lambda D$$

is the smallest B such that  $\|\nabla f(w)\| \leq B$ ,  
 $\|w\| \leq D$ .