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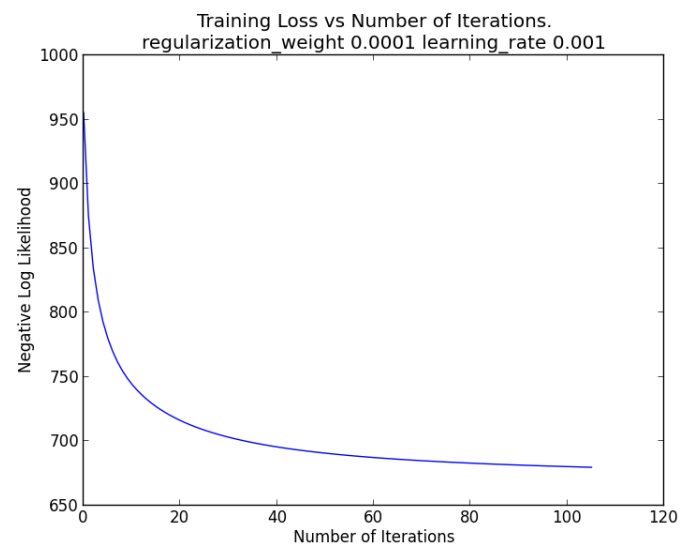
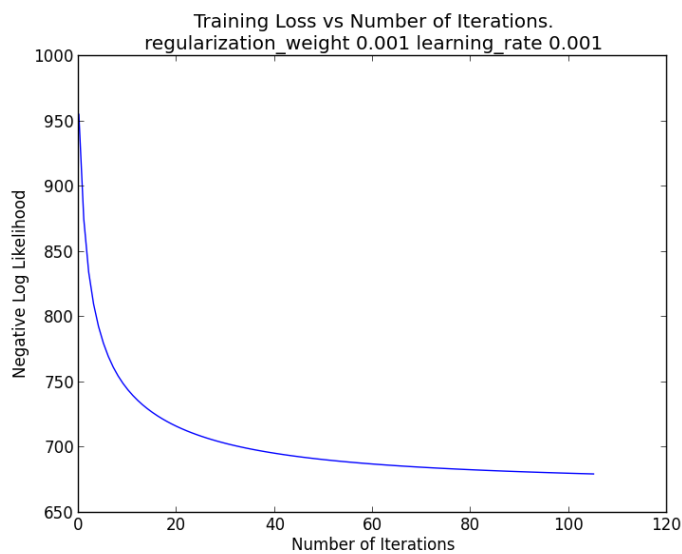
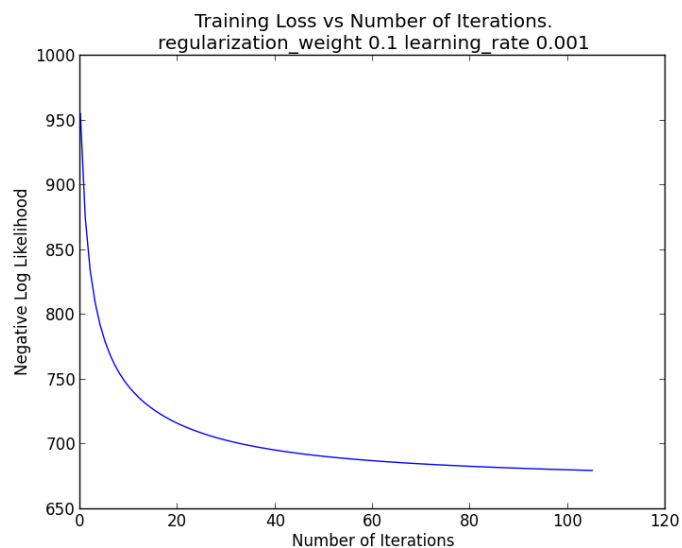
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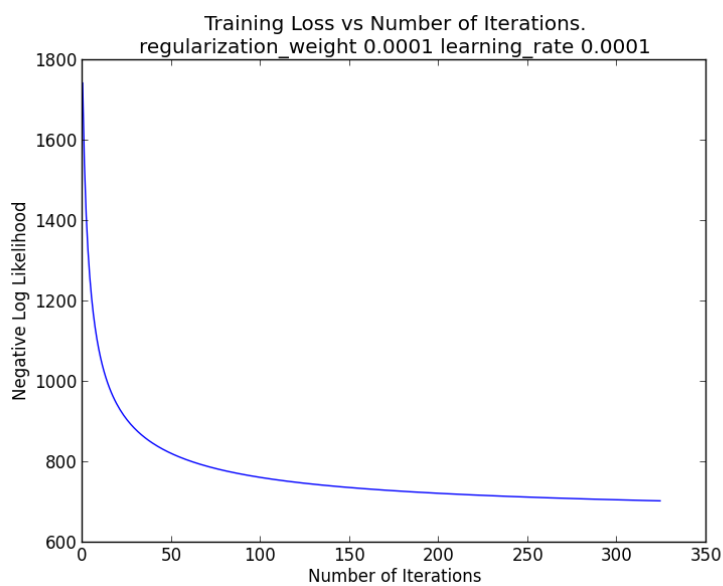
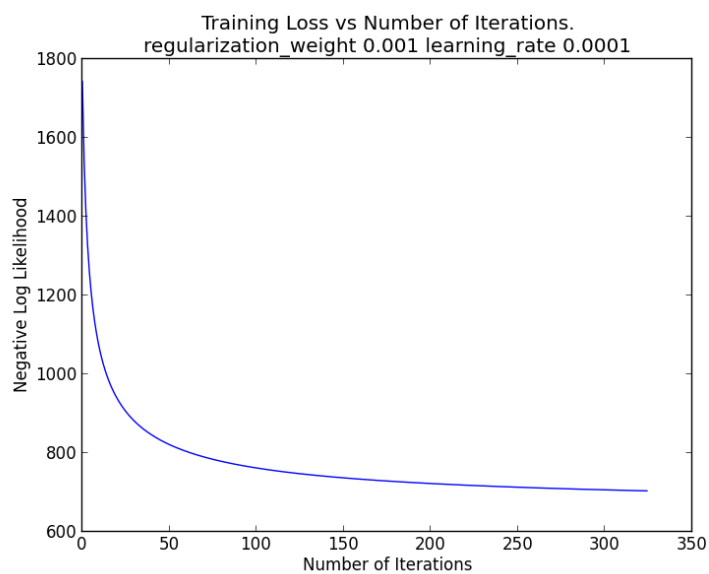
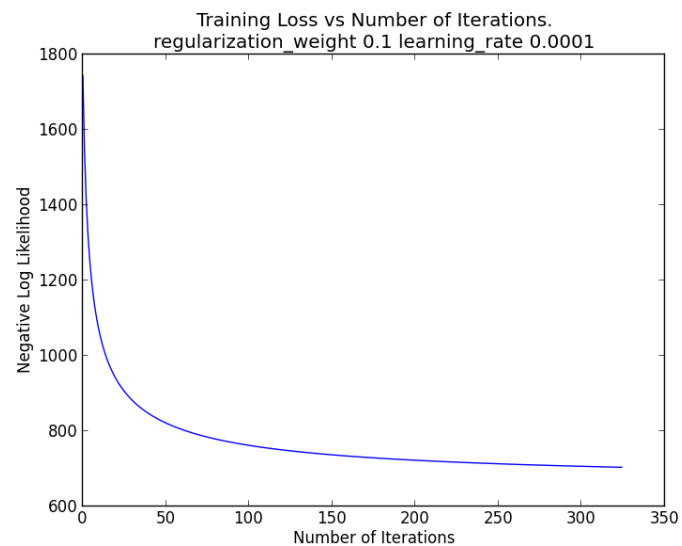
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i) Standardized columns

threshold = 0.1

regularization weight	learning rate	training error	test error
0.1	0.001	0.0799347471452	0.0911458333333
0.1	0.0001	0.078967934323	0.0846322917867
0.001	0.001	0.0802610114192	0.0930989583333
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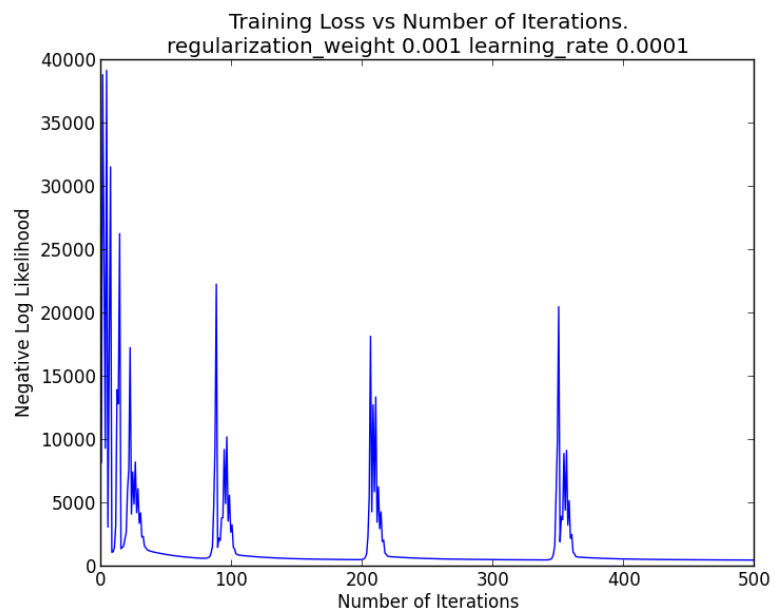
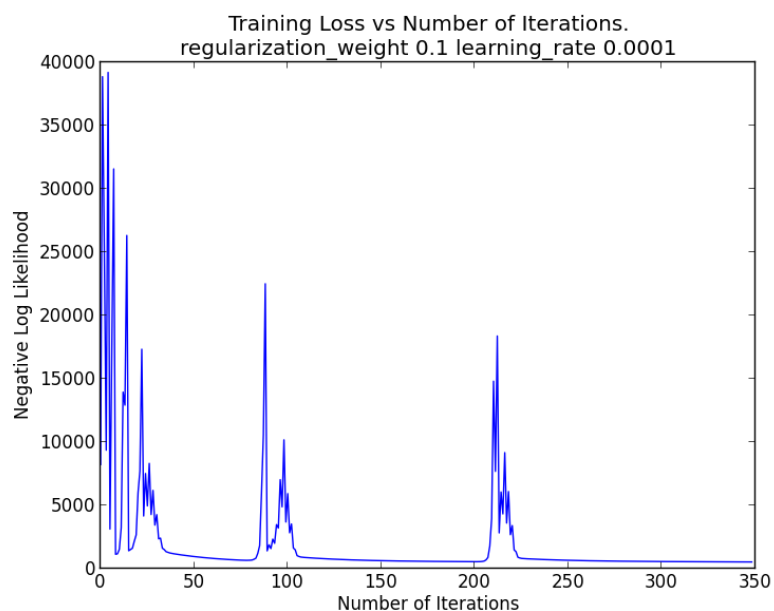


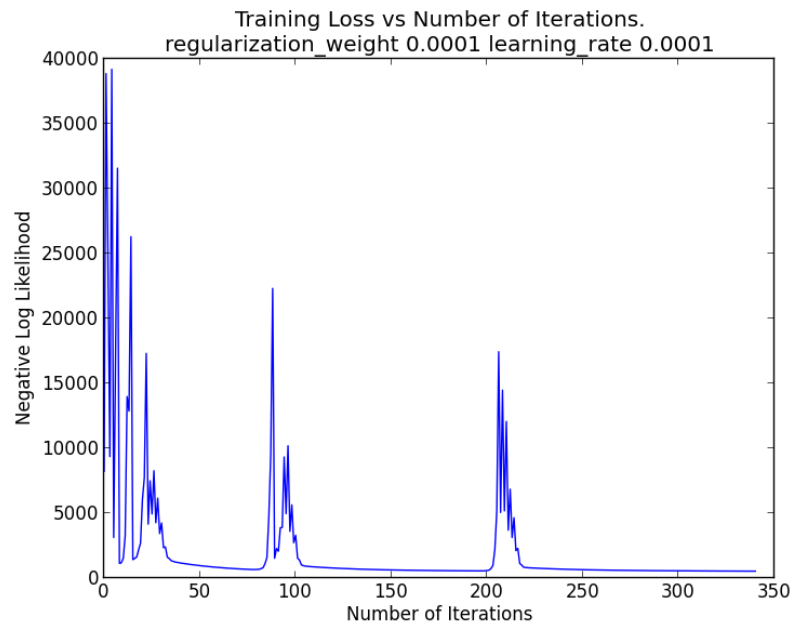


ii) Log transform

threshold = 0.1

regularization weight	learning rate	training error	test error
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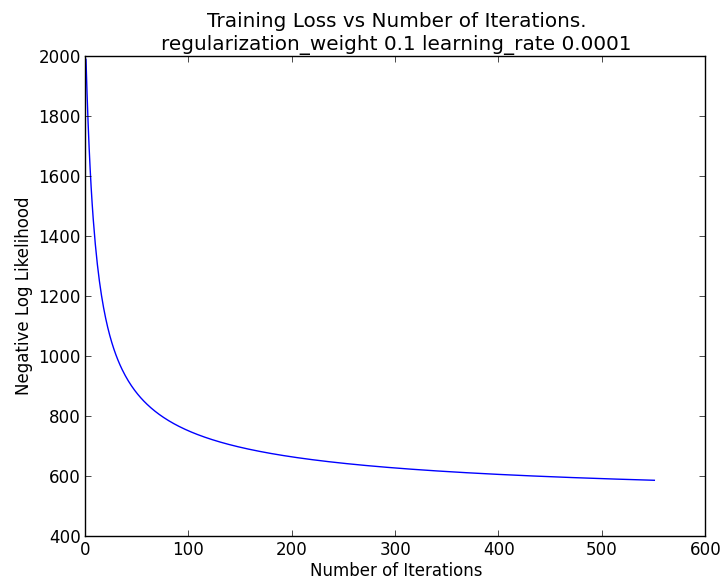
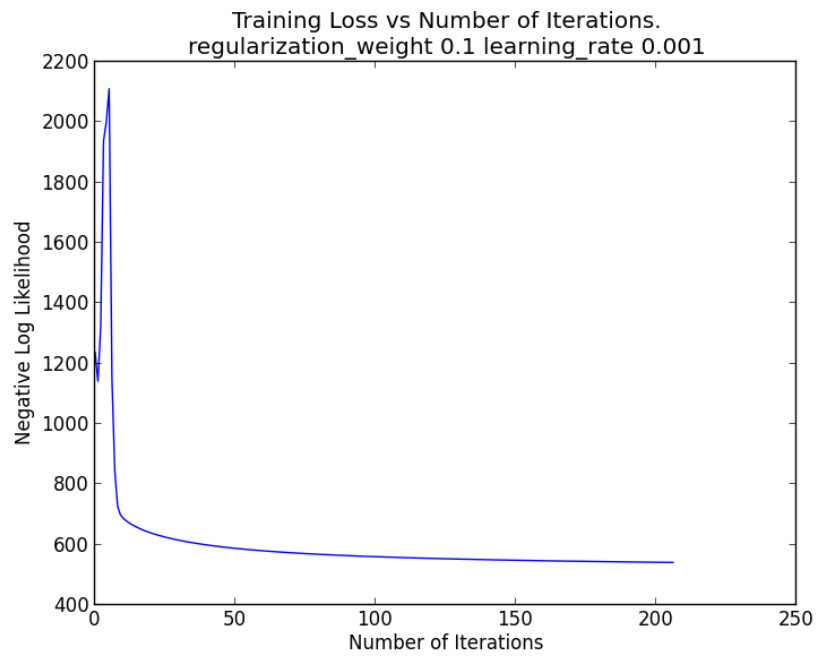


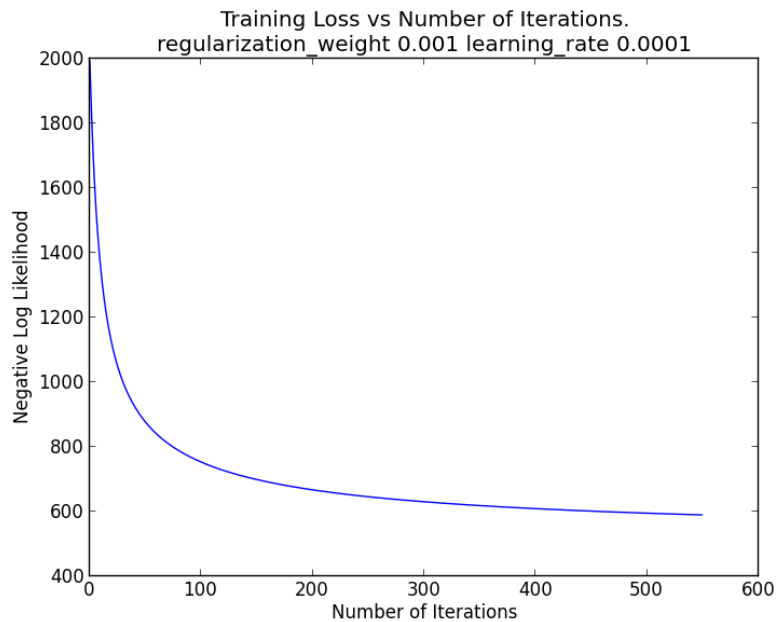
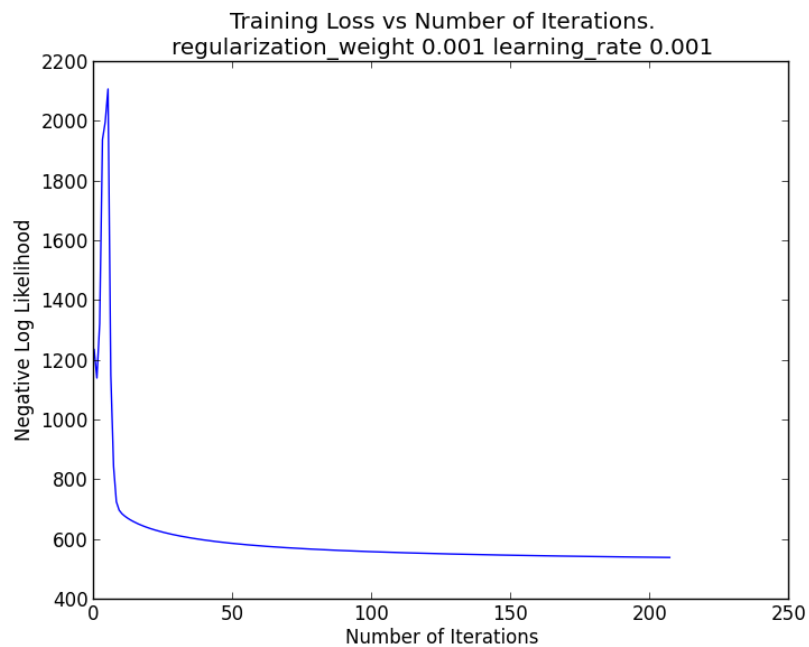


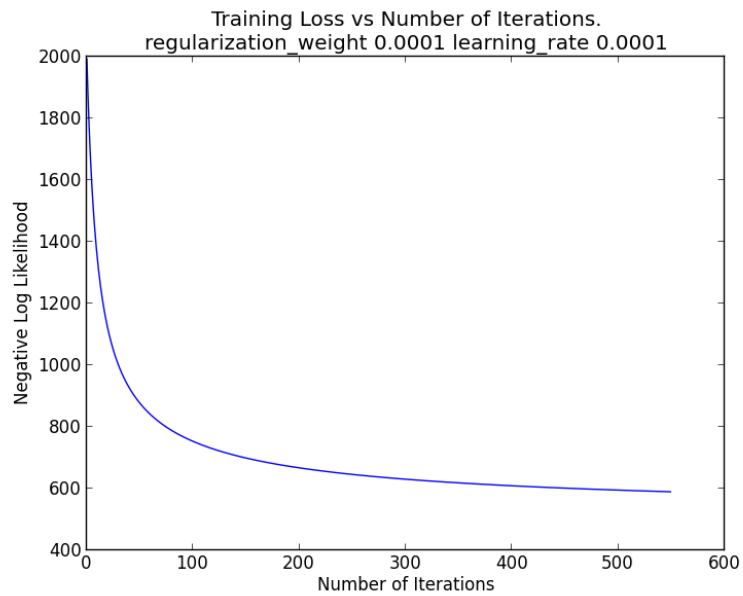
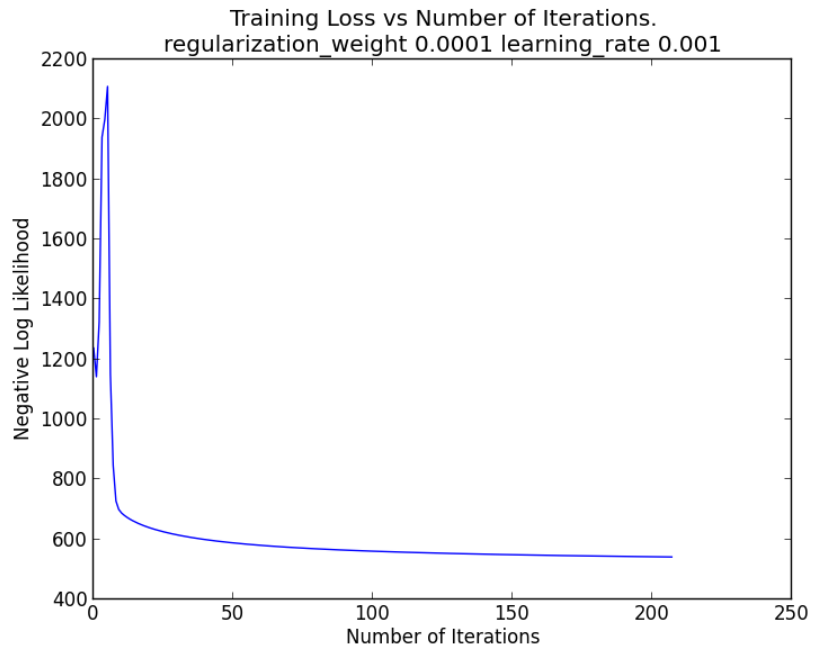
iii) Binarized

threshold = 0.1

regularization weight	learning rate	training error	test error
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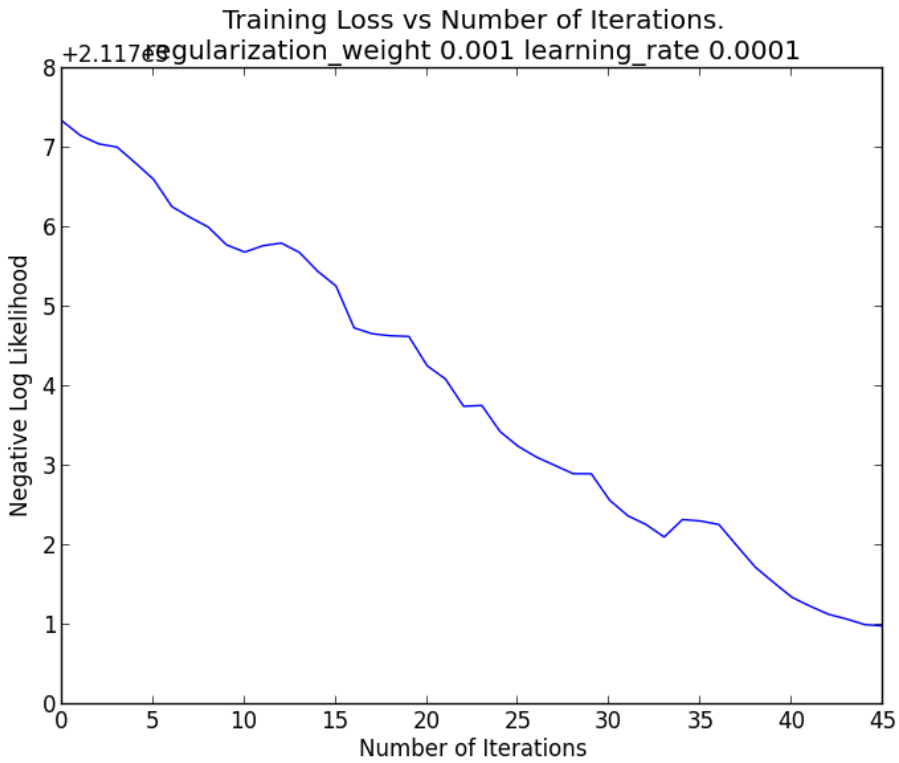
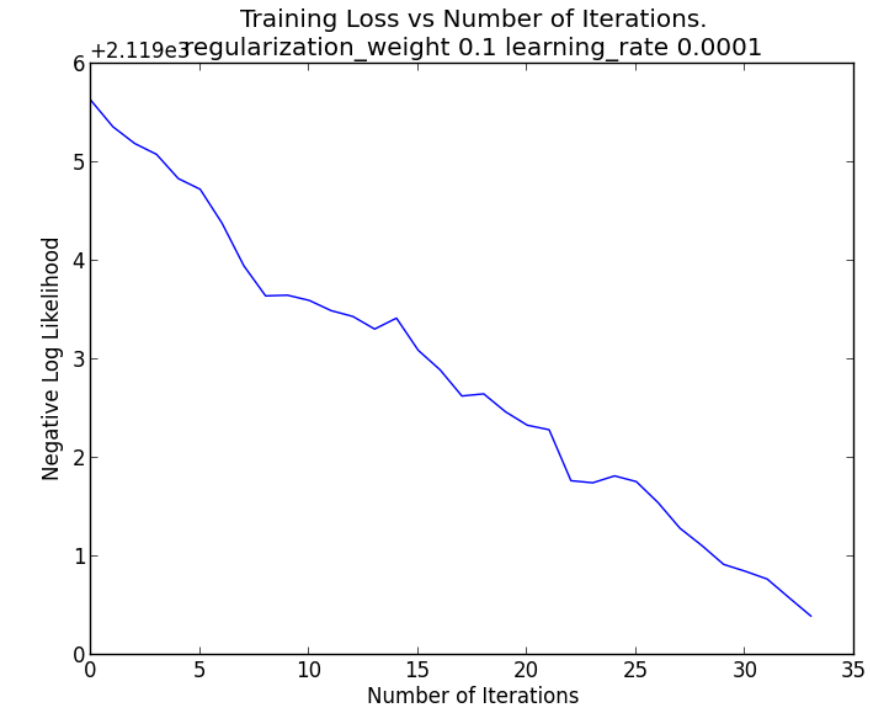
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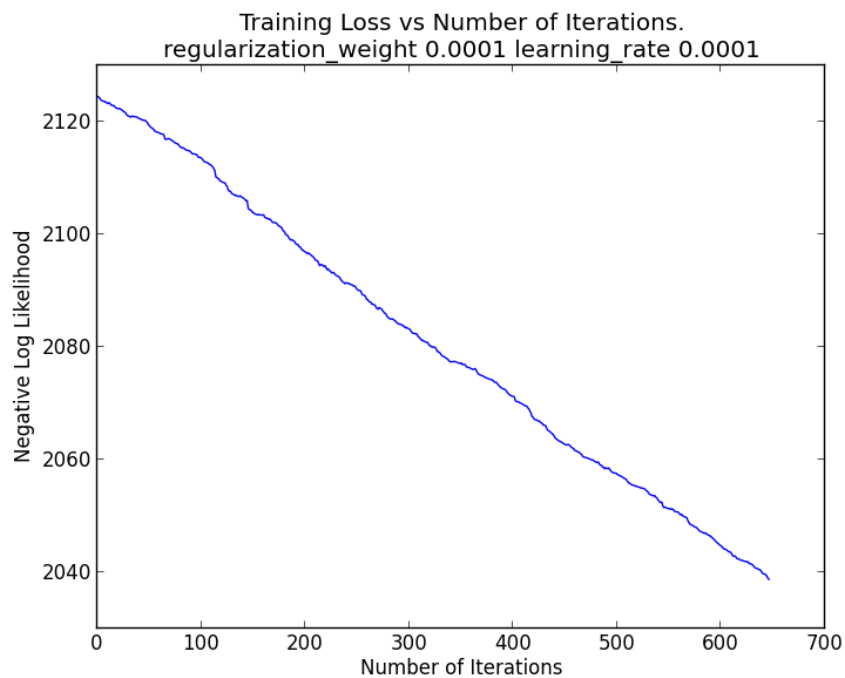
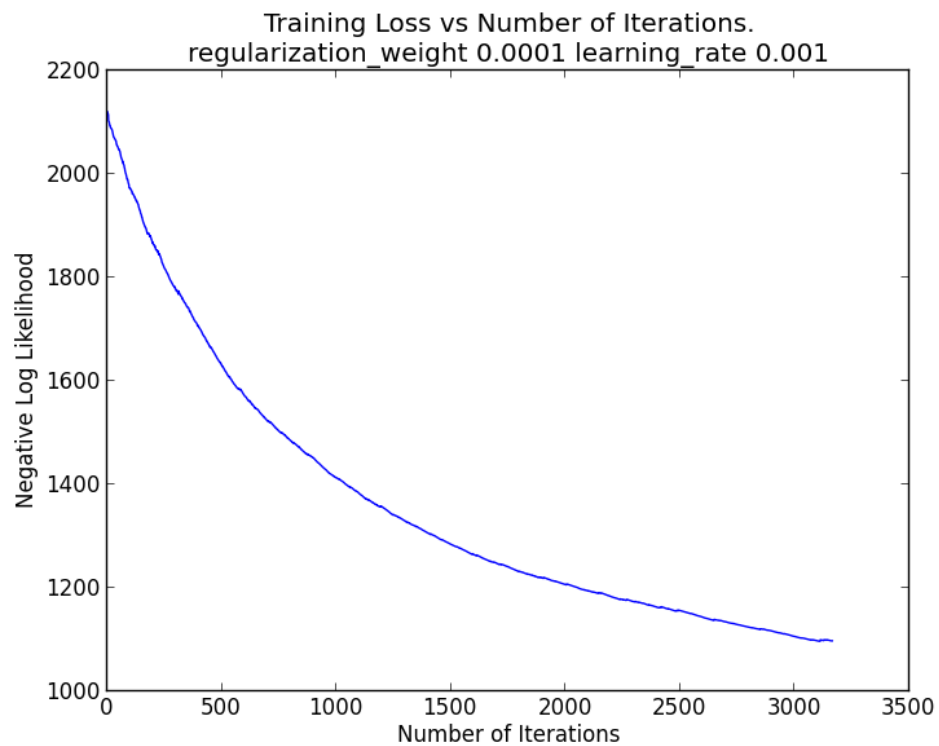
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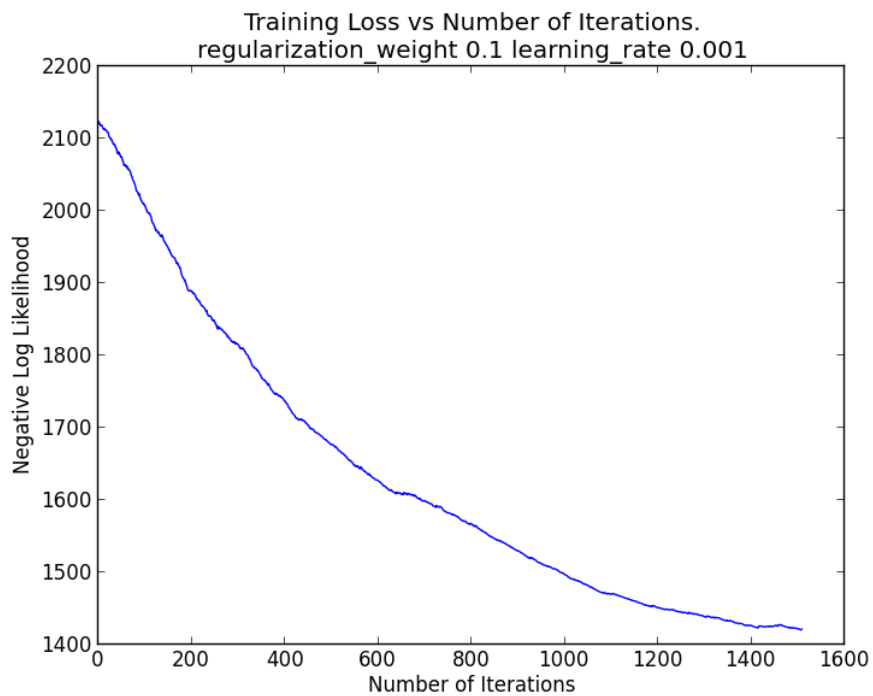
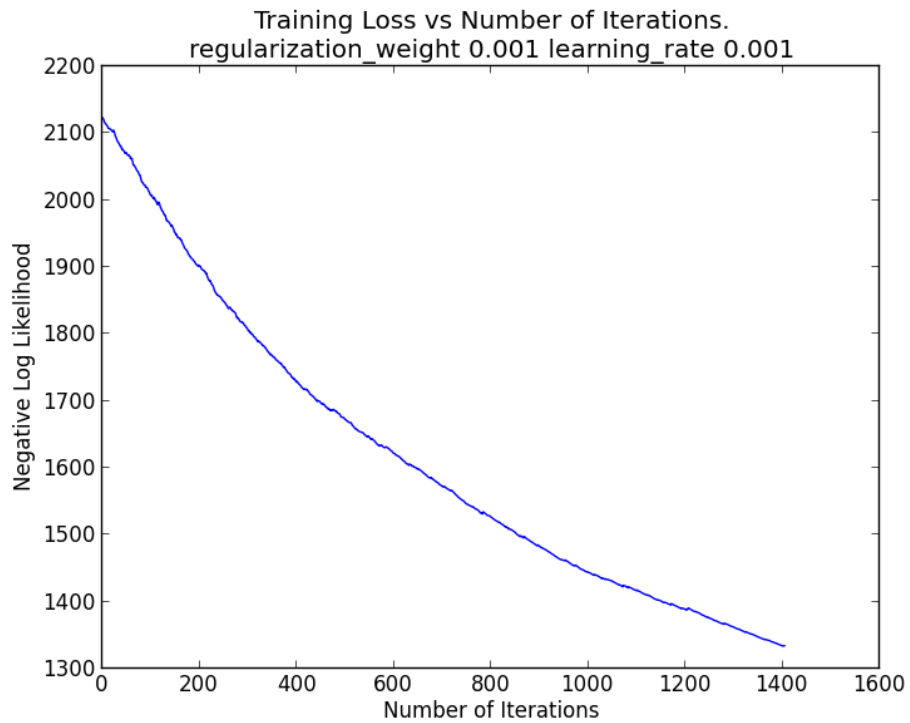
threshold = 0.001

regularization weight	learning rate	training error	test error
0.1	0.001	0.179771615008	0.202473958333
0.1	0.0001	0.156280587276	0.166015625
0.001	0.001	0.0972267536705	0.106770833333

0.001	0.0001	0.122022838499	0.142578125
0.0001	0.001	0.0920065252855	0.106119791667
0.0001	0.0001	0.099836867863	0.10546875





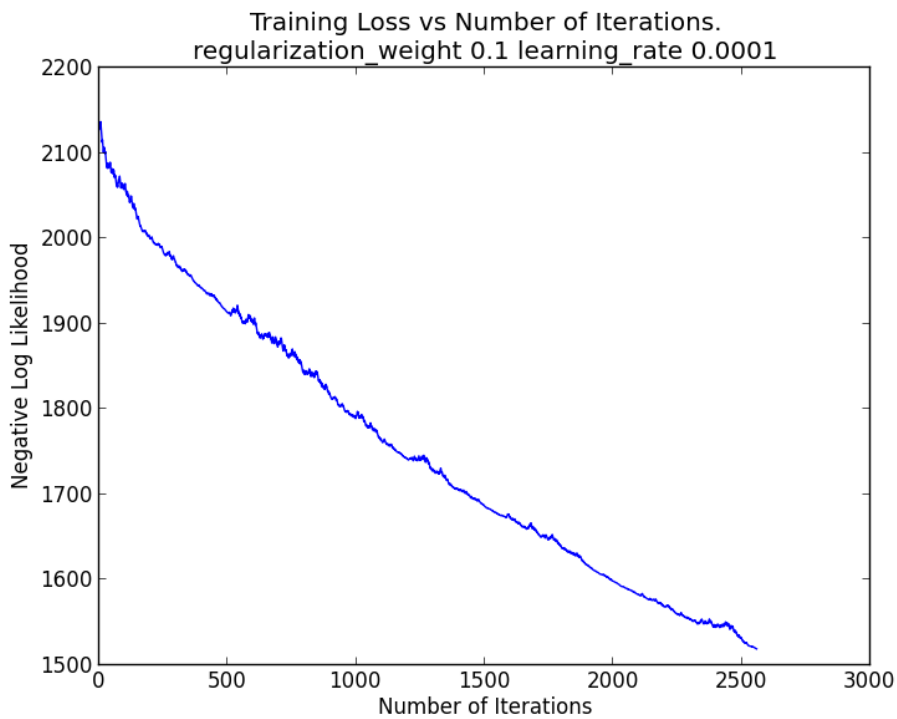
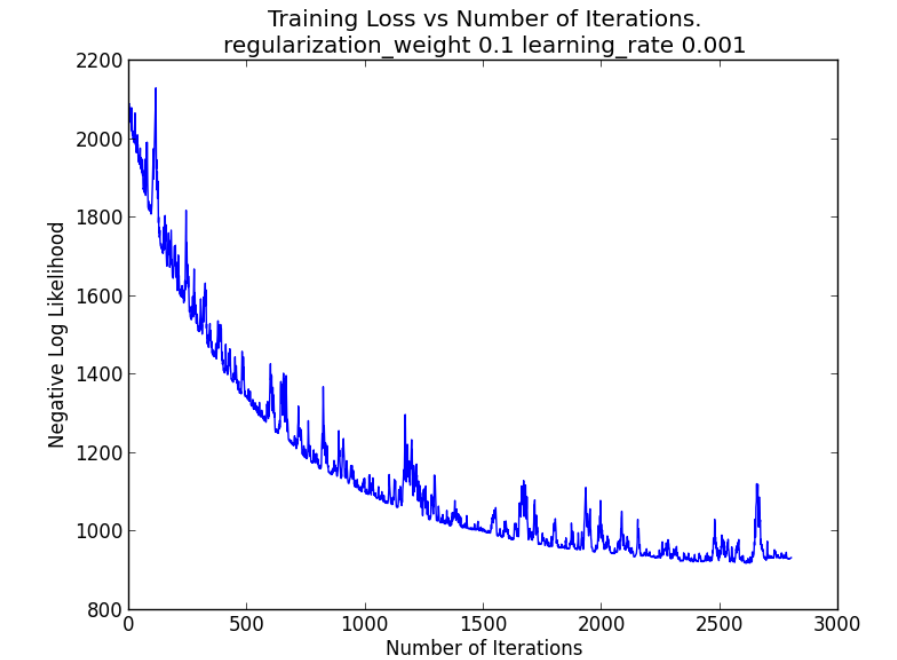


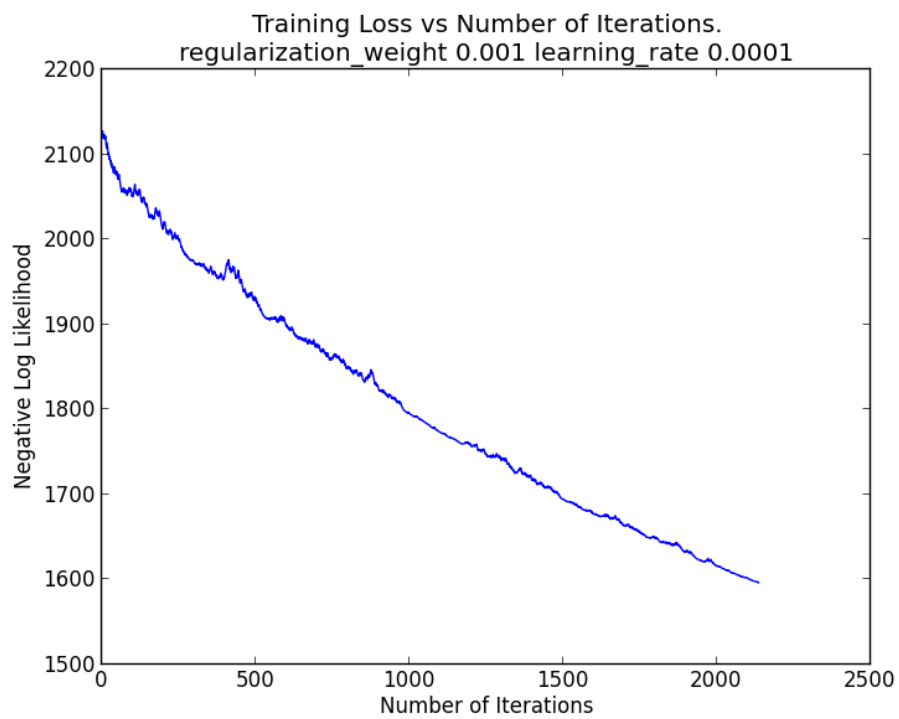
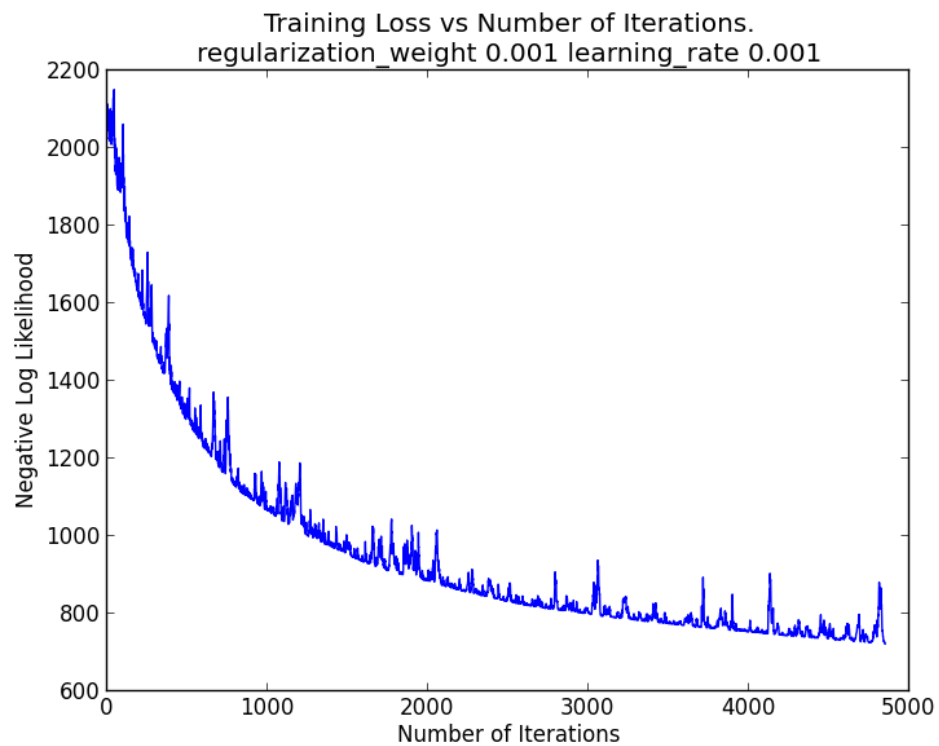
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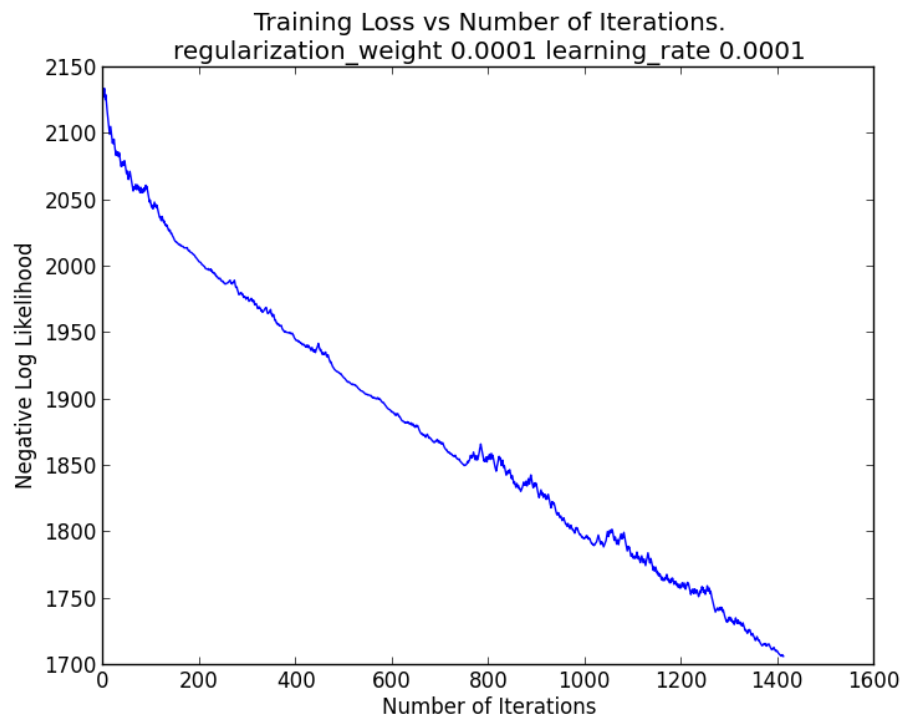
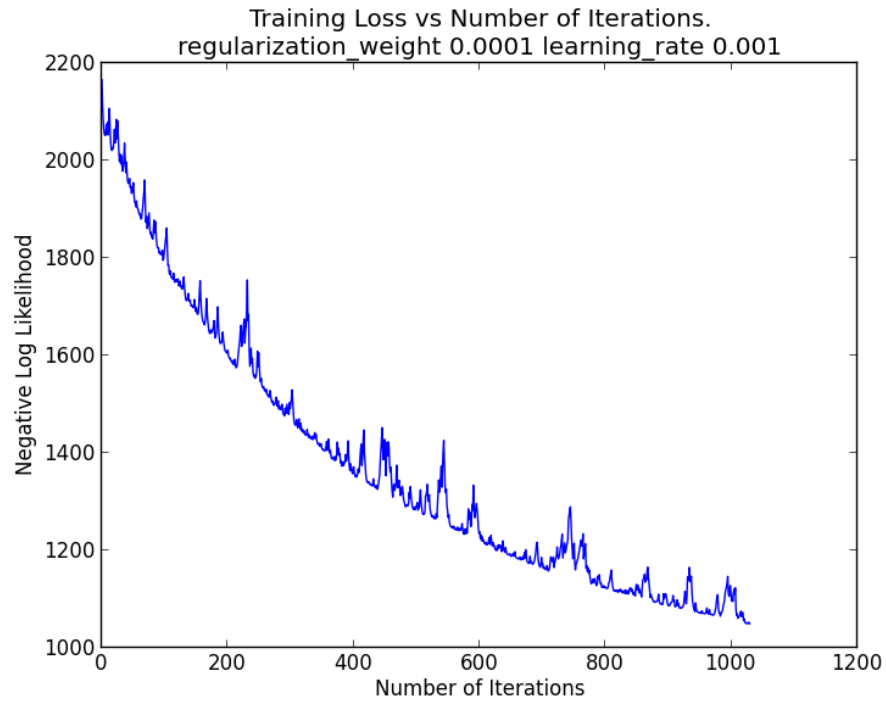
threshold = 0.001

regularization weight	learning rate	training error	test error
0.1	0.001	0.0867862969005	0.0970052083333
0.1	0.0001	0.15823817292	0.15234375
0.001	0.001	0.0792822185971	0.08984375

0.001	0.0001	0.187601957586	0.179036458333
0.0001	0.001	0.10277324633	0.110677083333
0.0001	0.0001	0.206525285481	0.192708333333





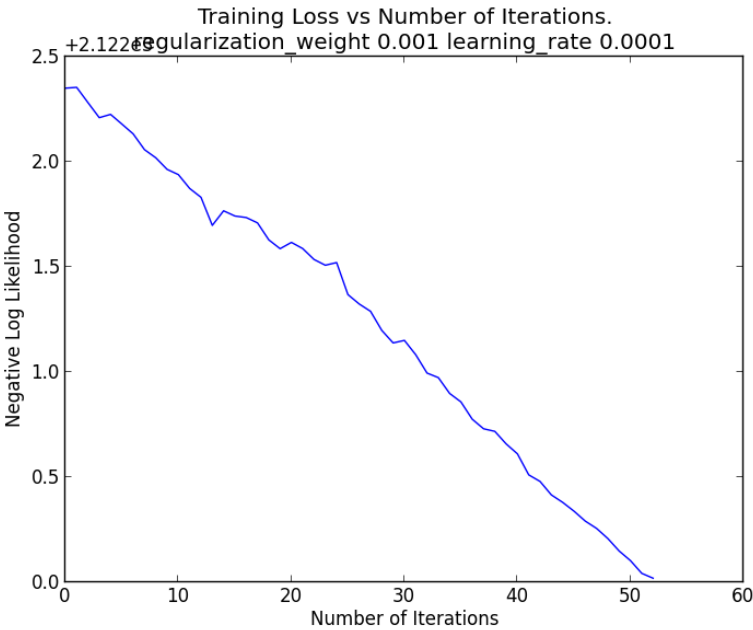
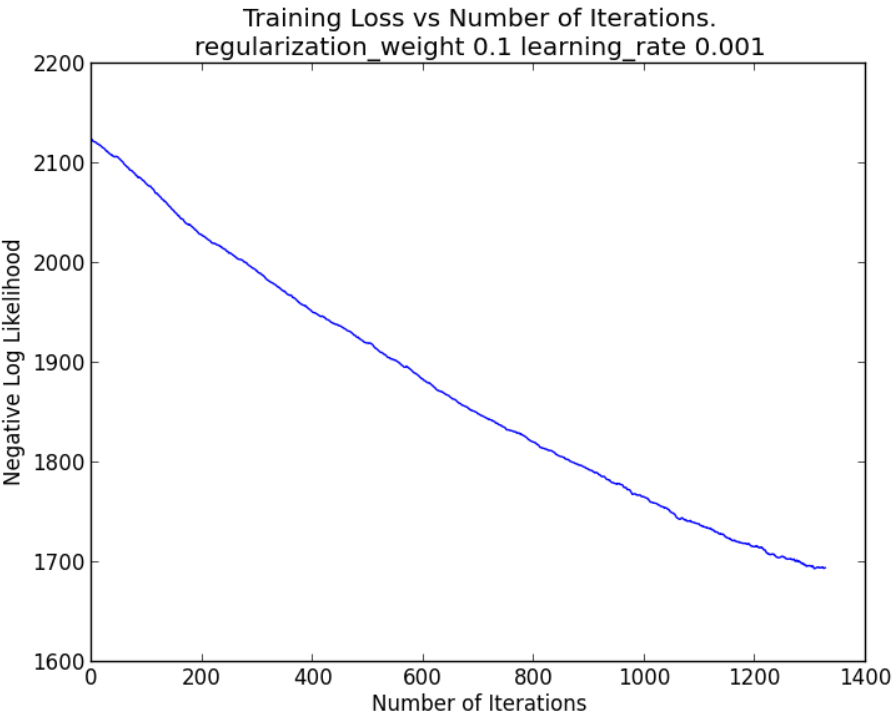


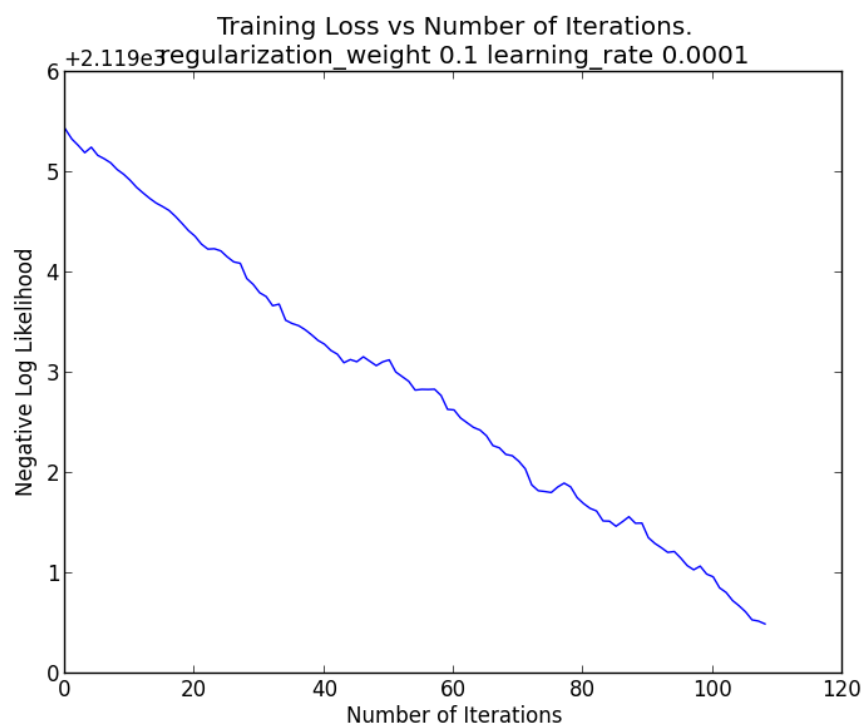
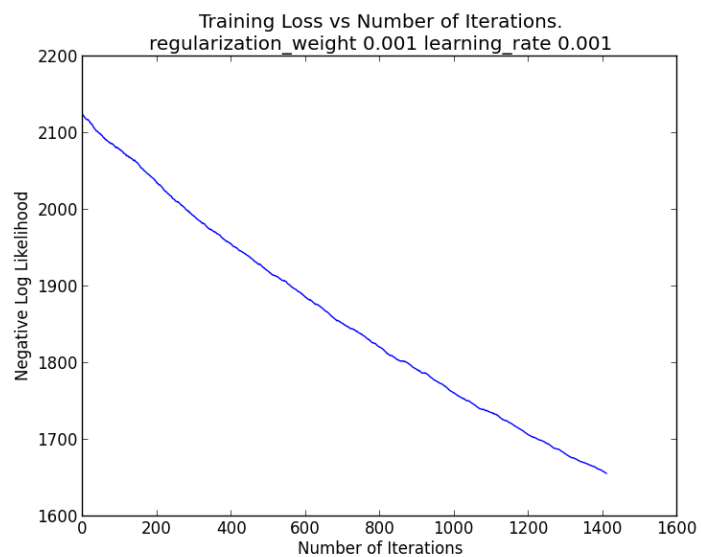
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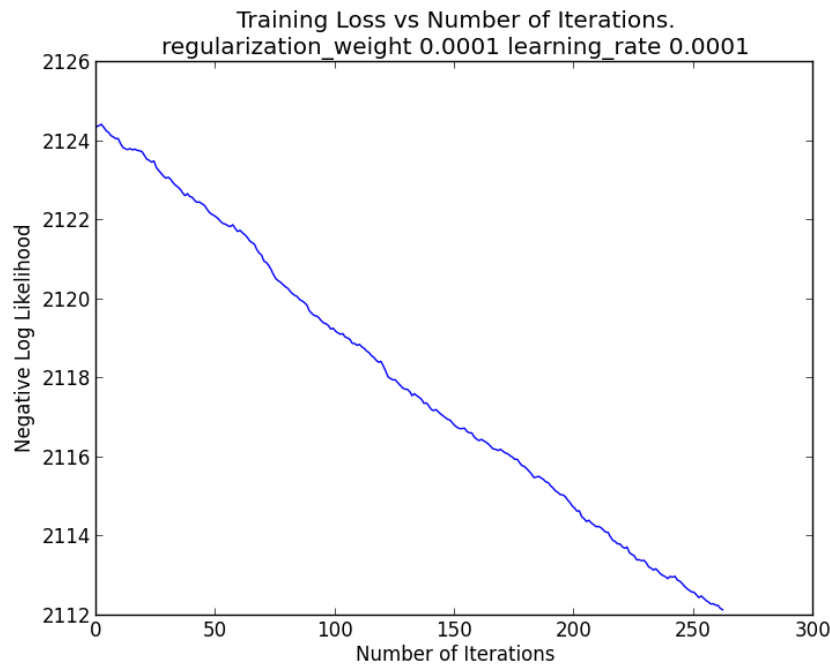
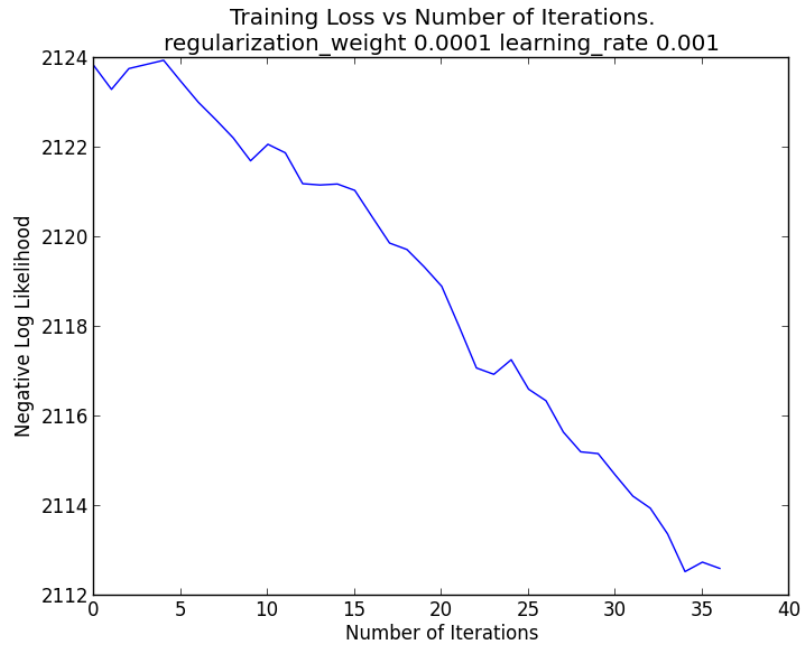
threshold = 0.001

regularization weight	learning rate	training error	test error
0.1	0.001	0.203588907015	0.204427083333
0.1	0.0001	0.119738988581	0.117838541667
0.001	0.001	0.122022838499	0.119140625

0.001	0.0001	0.160195758564	0.159505208333
0.0001	0.001	0.393148450245	0.384765625
0.0001	0.0001	0.111582381729	0.116536458333







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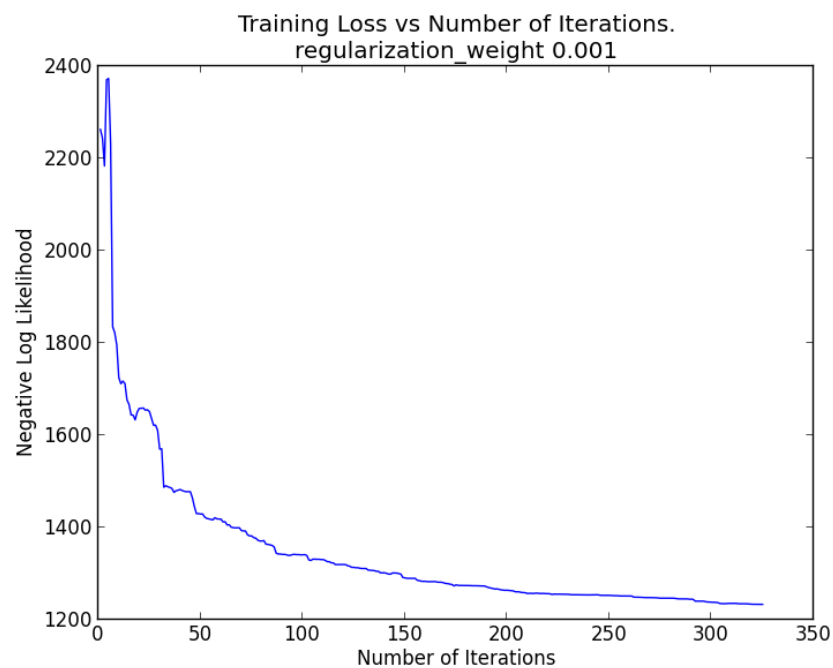
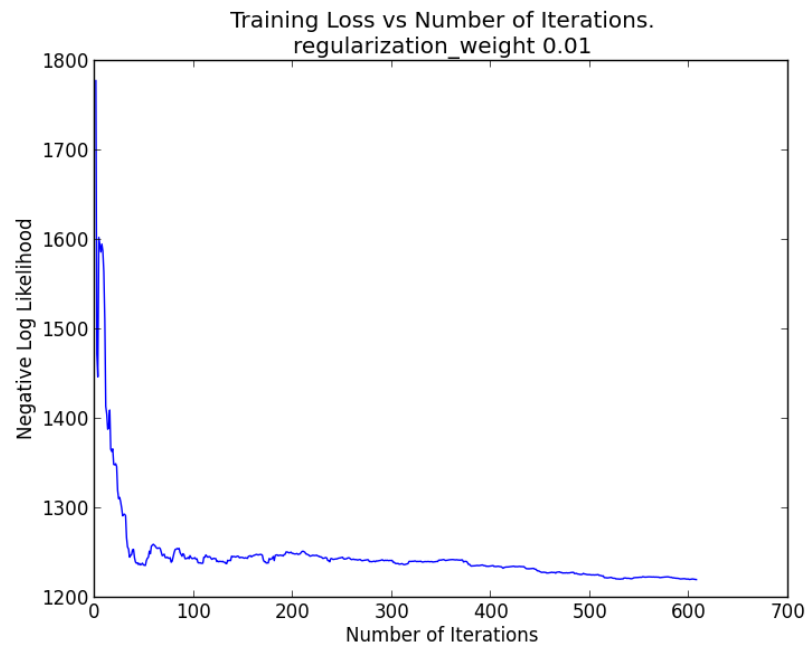
Other strategies, besides setting learning rate to $1/x$ for x th iteration that might work well:

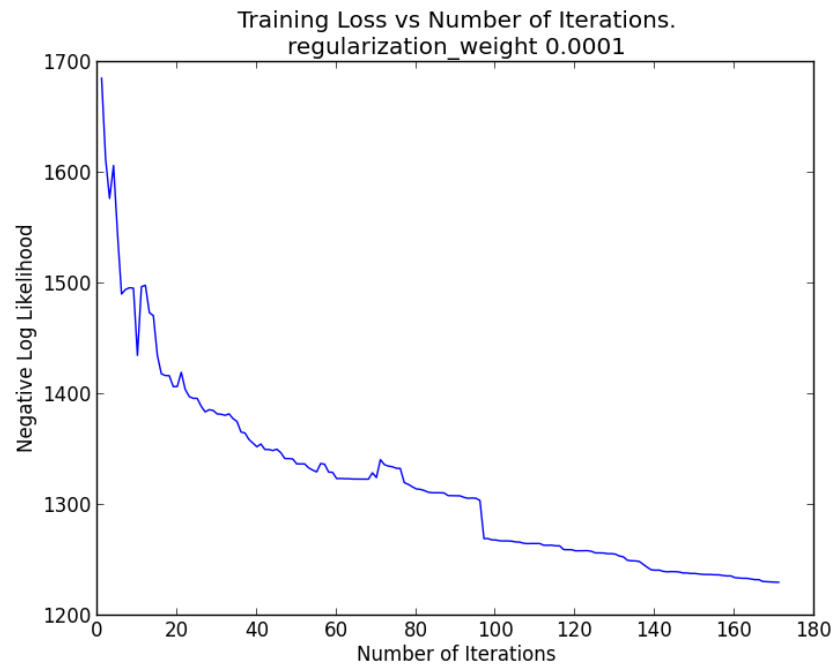
1. Update the learning rate $\alpha = \alpha / (1 + t/T)$ where t is the number of iterations so far and T is a constant that can be tuned. This way the more iterations have passed, the lower the learning rate becomes allowing for faster convergence.
2. We could use momentum: we could add a fraction of the previous weight update to the current weight update. In this way, if we keep calculating gradients that point in the same direction, we'll move in that direction faster. If we encounter oscillating gradients, the momentum will help smooth out the variations.

i) Standardized columns

threshold = 0.001

regularization weight	training error	test error
0.01	0.13572593801	0.150390625
0.001	0.140293637847	0.172526041667
0.0001	0.157911908646	0.170572916667

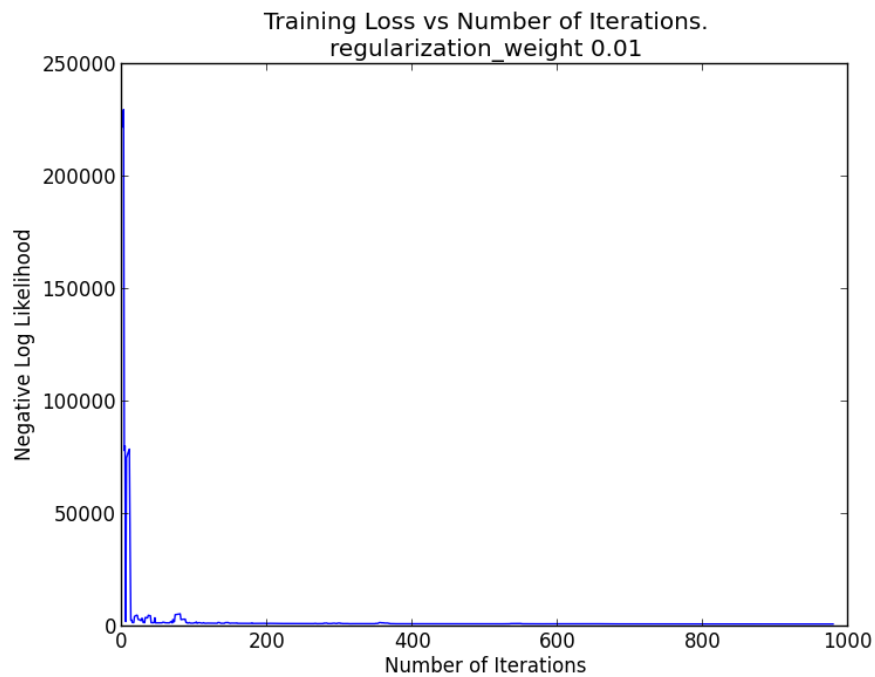


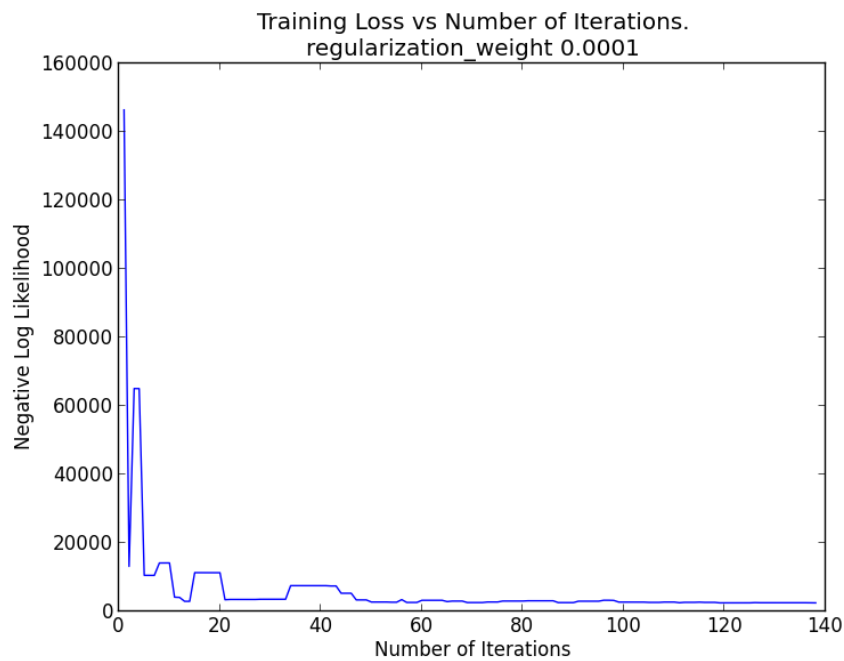
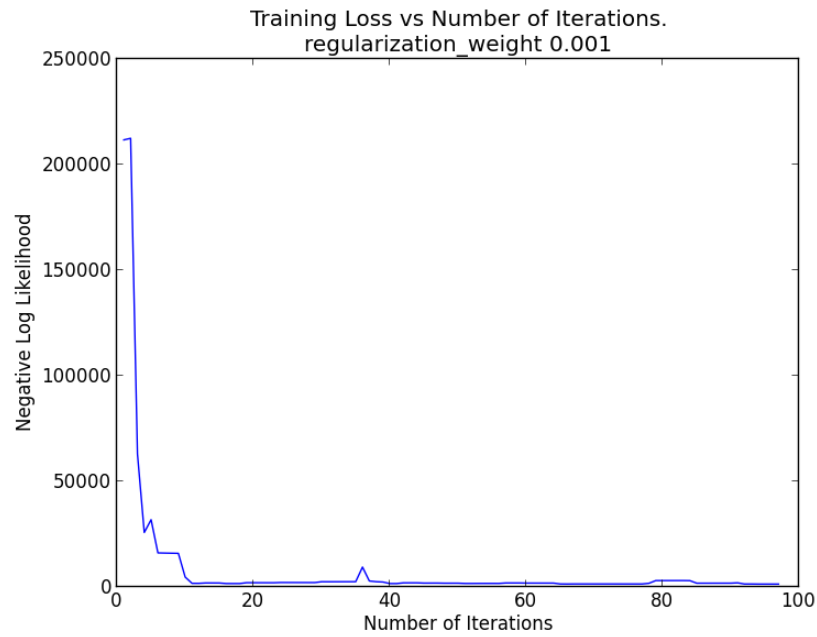


ii) Log transform

threshold = 0.001

regularization weight	training error	test error
0.01	0.142903752039	0.143229166667
0.001	0.122349102773	0.140625
0.0001	0.152365415987	0.16796875

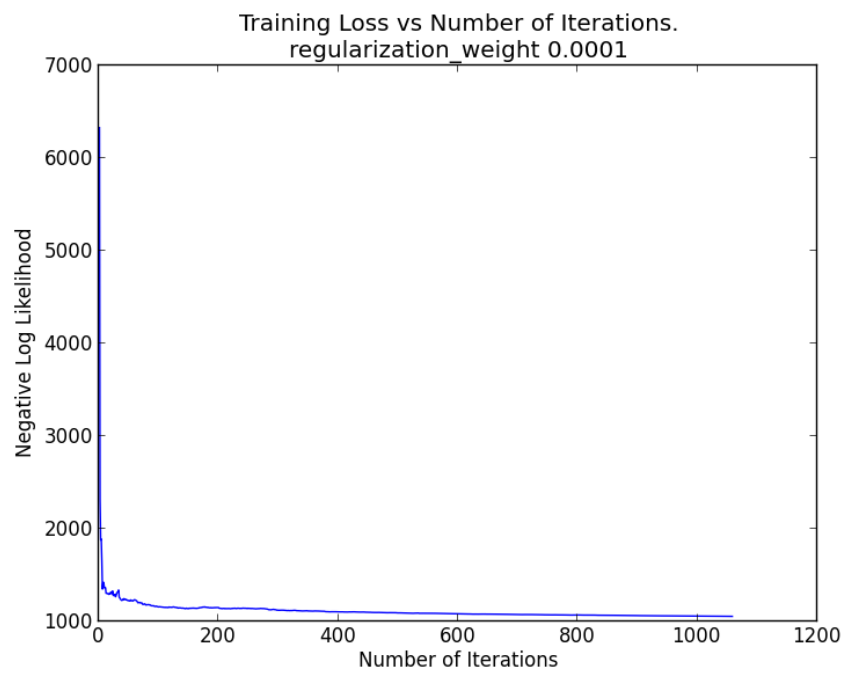
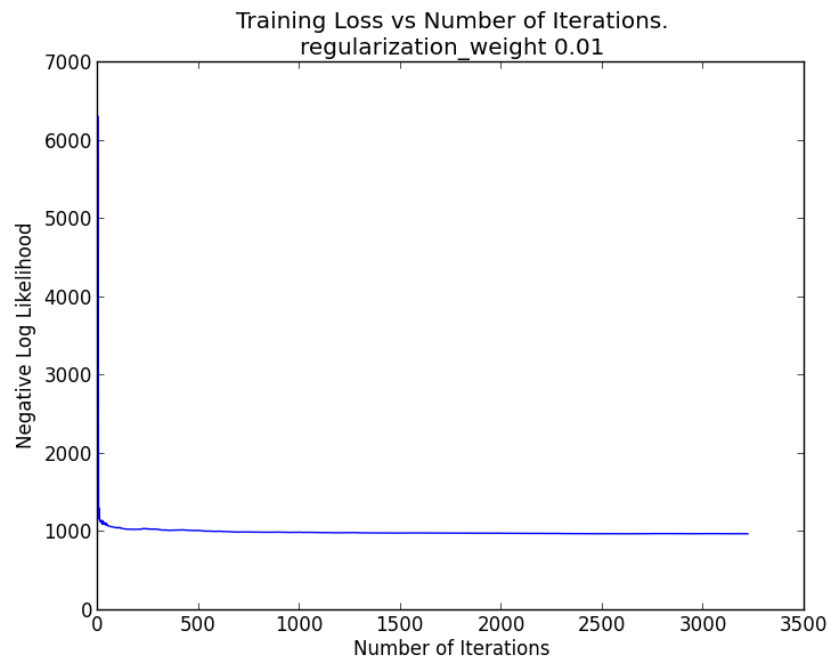


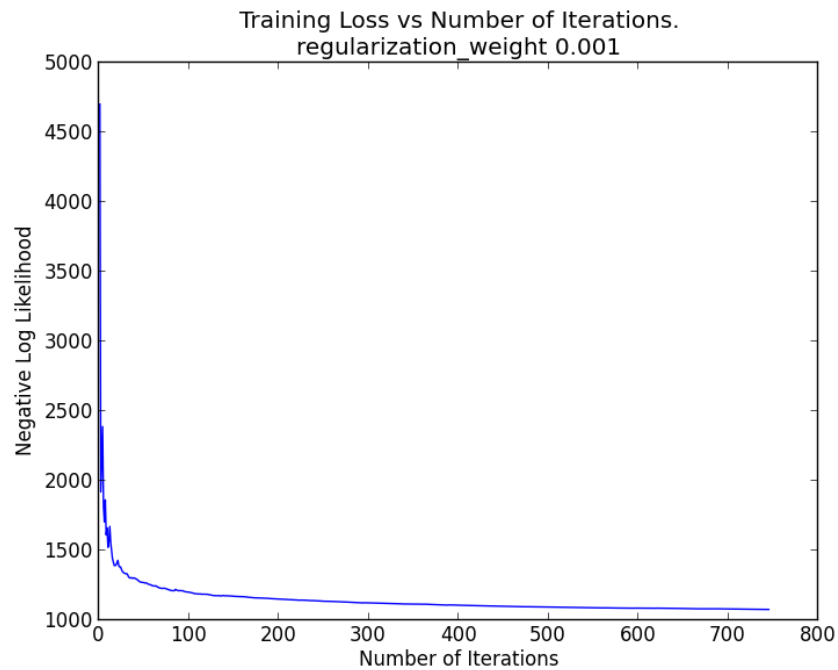


iii) Binarized

threshold = 0.001

regularization weight	training error	test error
0.01	0.11647634584	0.1171875
0.001	0.108972267537	0.110026041667
0.0001	0.123001631321	0.11328125



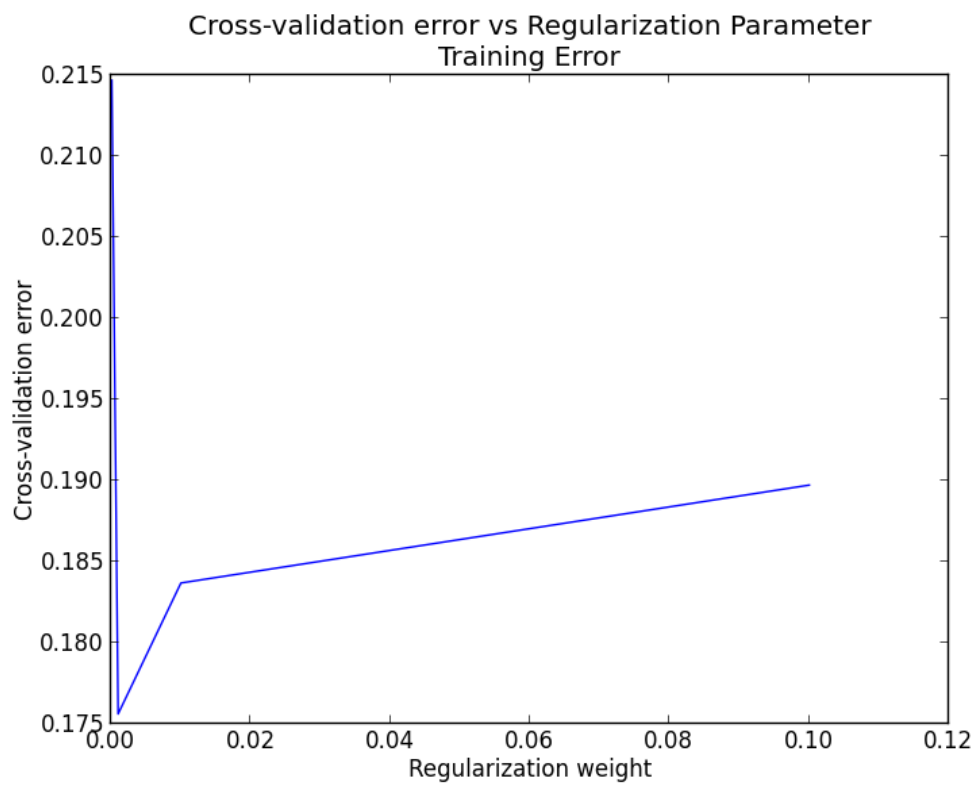


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threshold = 0.0001, learning rate = 0.0001

regularization weight	cross validation training error	cross validation test error
0.1	0.189722675367	0.192822185971
0.01	0.183686786297	0.174225122349
0.001	0.175611745514	0.182055464927
0.0001	0.214681892333	0.219902120718

Using threshold = 0.0001, learning rate = 0.0001, regularization weight = 0.01, we got a error rate on the test set = 0.115885416667



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