### Machine Learning Foundations

(機器學習基石)



Lecture 10: Logistic Regression

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## Roadmap

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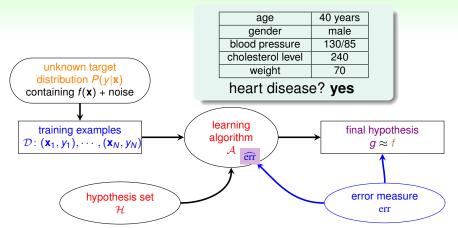
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analytic solution  $\mathbf{w}_{\text{LIN}} = X^{\dagger} \mathbf{y}$  with linear regression hypotheses and squared error

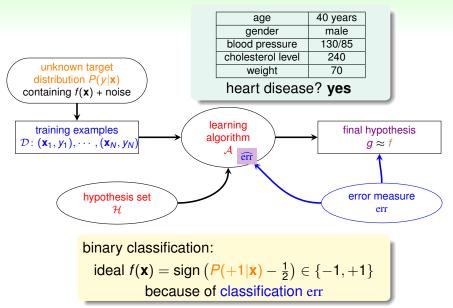
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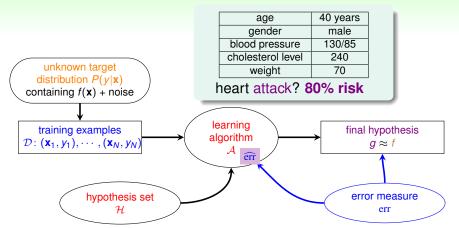
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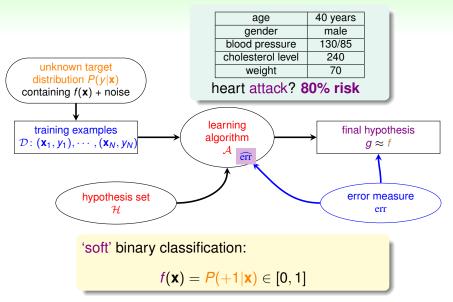
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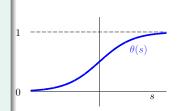
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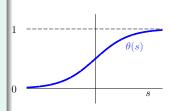


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logistic regression: use

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to approximate target function  $f(\mathbf{x}) = P(+1|\mathbf{x})$ 

#### **Fun Time**

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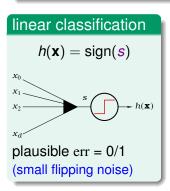
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When  $\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x} = 0$ ,  $h(\mathbf{x})$  is exactly  $\frac{1}{2}$ . So thresholding  $h(\mathbf{x})$  at  $\frac{1}{2}$  is the same as thresholding  $(\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x})$  at 0.

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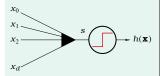
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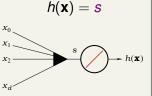


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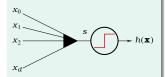


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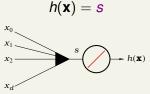
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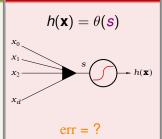
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- if  $h \approx f$ , then likelihood(h)  $\approx$  probability using f
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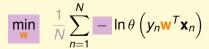
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: cross-entropy error

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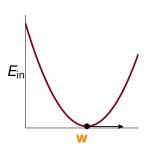
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**1126, really? :-)** You are highly encouraged to plot the curve of err with respect to some fixed y and some varying score  $s = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}$  to know more about the error measure. After plotting, it is easy to see that err is not bounded above, and the other three choices are correct.

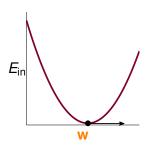
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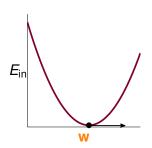
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Gradient of Logistic Regression Error

### The Gradient $\nabla E_{in}(\mathbf{w})$

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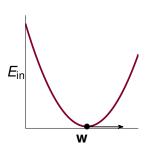
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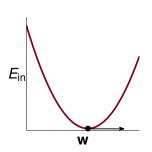
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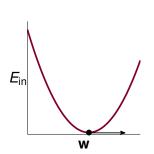
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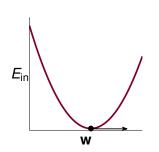


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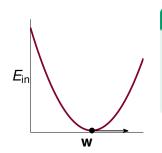


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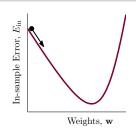
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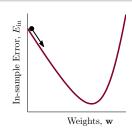


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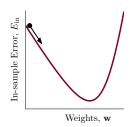
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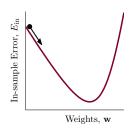
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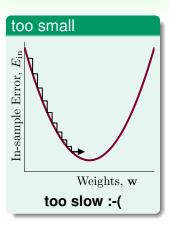
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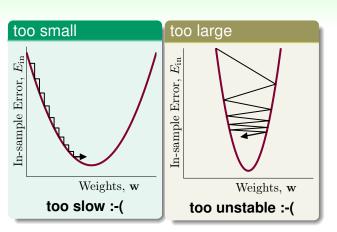
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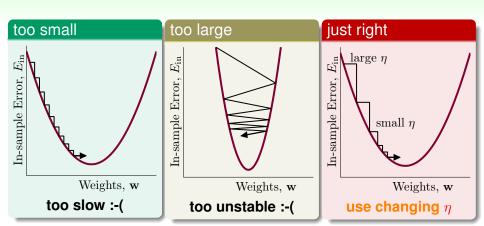
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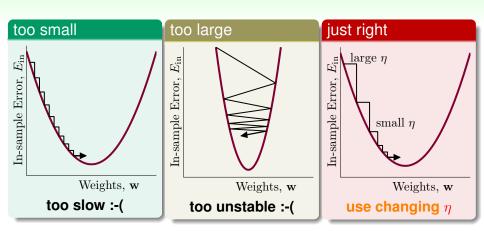
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gradient descent: a simple & popular optimization tool









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## Reference Answer: (3)

You can do a simple substitution using the fact that  $\theta(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ . This result shows that a scaled average of  $y_n \mathbf{x}_n$  is somewhat 'one-step' better than the zero vector.

#### Summary

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#### Lecture 9: Linear Regression

#### Lecture 10: Logistic Regression

- Logistic Regression Problem
   P(+1|x) as target and θ(w<sup>T</sup>x) as hypotheses
- Logistic Regression Error cross-entropy (negative log likelihood)
- Gradient of Logistic Regression Error
   θ-weighted sum of data vectors
- Gradient Descent

roll downhill by  $-\nabla E_{in}(\mathbf{w})$ 

- next: linear model'S' for classification
- 4 How Can Machines Learn Better?