# Optional Lab: Cost Function for Logistic Regression

### Goals

In this lab, you will:

• examine the implementation and utilize the cost function for logistic regression.

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
%matplotlib widget
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from lab_utils_common import plot_data, sigmoid, dlc
plt.style.use('./deeplearning.mplstyle')
```

## **Dataset**

Let's start with the same dataset as was used in the decision boundary lab.

```
In [2]: X_train = np.array([[0.5, 1.5], [1,1], [1.5, 0.5], [3, 0.5], [2,
2], [1, 2.5]]) #(m,n)
y_train = np.array([0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1])
#(m,)
```

We will use a helper function to plot this data. The data points with label y=1 are shown as red crosses, while the data points with label y=0 are shown as blue circles.

```
In [3]: fig,ax = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(4,4))
plot_data(X_train, y_train, ax)

# Set both axes to be from 0-4
ax.axis([0, 4, 0, 3.5])
ax.set_ylabel('$x_1$', fontsize=12)
ax.set_xlabel('$x_0$', fontsize=12)
plt.show()
```

## **Cost function**

In a previous lab, you developed the *logistic loss* function. Recall, loss is defined to apply to one example. Here you combine the losses to form the **cost**, which includes all the examples.

Recall that for logistic regression, the cost function is of the form

$$J(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \left[ loss(f_{\mathbf{w}, b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}), y^{(i)}) \right]$$

$$\tag{1}$$

where

•  $loss(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}),y^{(i)})$  is the cost for a single data point, which is:

$$loss(f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}),y^{(i)}) = -y^{(i)}\log\Bigl(f_{\mathbf{w},b}\left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}
ight)\Bigr) - \Bigl(1-y^{(i)}\Bigr)\log\Bigl(1-f_{\mathbf{w},b}\left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}
ight)\Bigr) \quad (2)$$

• where m is the number of training examples in the data set and:

$$f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) = g(z^{(i)}) \tag{3}$$

$$z^{(i)} = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}^{(i)} + b \tag{4}$$

$$g(z^{(i)}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z^{(i)}}} \tag{5}$$

#### **Code Description**

The algorithm for compute\_cost\_logistic loops over all the examples calculating the loss for each example and accumulating the total.

Note that the variables X and y are not scalar values but matrices of shape (m, n) and (m, n) respectively, where n is the number of features and m is the number of training examples.

```
In [4]: | def compute_cost_logistic(X, y, w, b):
            Computes cost
            Aras:
              X (ndarray (m,n)): Data, m examples with n features
              y (ndarray (m,)) : target values
              w (ndarray (n,)) : model parameters
              b (scalar) : model parameter
            Returns:
              cost (scalar): cost
            m = X.shape[0]
            cost = 0.0
            for i in range(m):
                z i = np.dot(X[i],w) + b
                f wb i = sigmoid(z i)
                cost += -y[i]*np.log(f wb i) - (1-y[i])*np.log(1-f wb i)
            cost = cost / m
            return cost
```

Check the implementation of the cost function using the cell below.

```
In [5]: w_tmp = np.array([1,1])
b_tmp = -3
print(compute_cost_logistic(X_train, y_train, w_tmp, b_tmp))
0.36686678640551745
```

**Expected output**: 0.3668667864055175

# **Example**

Now, let's see what the cost function output is for a different value of w.

- In a previous lab, you plotted the decision boundary for  $b=-3, w_0=1, w_1=1$ . That is, you had b = -3, w = np.array([1,1]).
- Let's say you want to see if  $b=-4, w_0=1, w_1=1$ , or b = -4, w = np.array([1,1]) provides a better model.

Let's first plot the decision boundary for these two different *b* values to see which one fits the data better.

```
• For b=-3,w_0=1,w_1=1, we'll plot -3+x_0+x_1=0 (shown in blue)
• For b=-4,w_0=1,w_1=1, we'll plot -4+x_0+x_1=0 (shown in magenta)
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In [6]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         # Choose values between 0 and 6
         x0 = np.arange(0,6)
         # Plot the two decision boundaries
         x1 = 3 - x0
         x1 other = 4 - x0
         fig,ax = plt.subplots(1, 1, figsize=(4,4))
         # Plot the decision boundary
         ax.plot(x0,x1, c=dlc["dlblue"], label="$b$=-3")
         ax.plot(x0,x1\_other, c=dlc["dlmagenta"], label="$b$=-4")
         ax.axis([0, 4, 0, 4])
         # Plot the original data
         plot data(X train,y train,ax)
         ax.axis([0, 4, 0, 4])
         ax.set_ylabel('$x_1$', fontsize=12)
ax.set_xlabel('$x_0$', fontsize=12)
         plt.legend(loc="upper right")
         plt.title("Decision Boundary")
         plt.show()
```

You can see from this plot that b = -4, w = np.array([1,1]) is a worse model for the training data. Let's see if the cost function implementation reflects this.

```
In [ ]: w_array1 = np.array([1,1])
b_1 = -3
w_array2 = np.array([1,1])
b_2 = -4

print("Cost for b = -3 : ", compute_cost_logistic(X_train, y_train, w_array1, b_1))
print("Cost for b = -4 : ", compute_cost_logistic(X_train, y_train, w_array2, b_2))
```

#### **Expected output**

Cost for b = -3 : 0.3668667864055175

Cost for b = -4 : 0.5036808636748461

You can see the cost function behaves as expected and the cost for b = -4, w = np.array([1,1]) is indeed higher than the cost for b = -3, w = np.array([1,1])

# Congratulations!

In this lab you examined and utilized the cost function for logistic regression.

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In [ ]:
```