

# **EE2211 Pre-Tutorial 8**

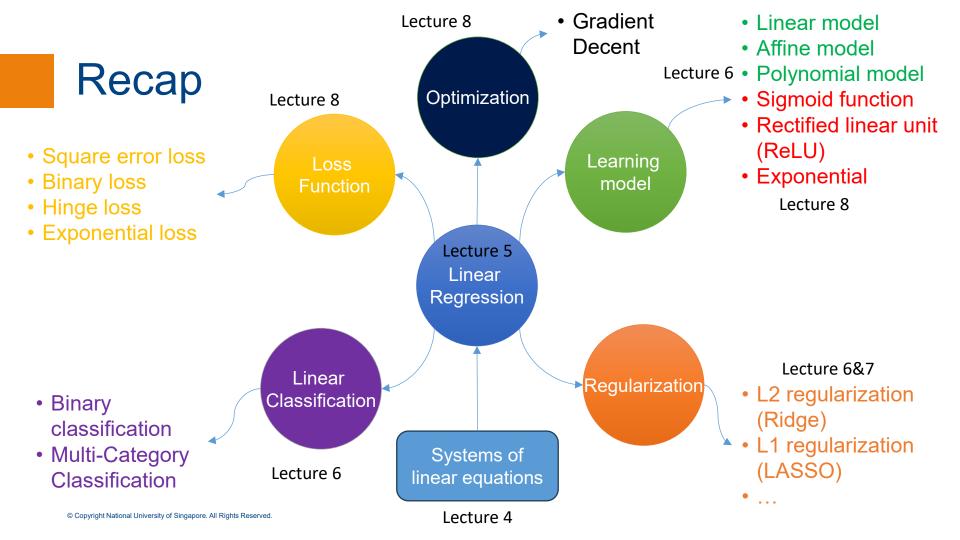
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## Agenda

- Recap
- Self-learning
- Tutorial 8

#### Recap

- Fundamental Machine Learning Algorithms I
  - Systems of linear equations
  - Least squares, Linear regression
  - Ridge regression, Polynomial regression
- Fundamental Machine Learning Algorithms II
  - Over-fitting, bias/variance trade-off
  - Optimization, Gradient descent
  - Decision Trees, Random Forest



# Loss Function & Learning Model

• For polynomial regression (previous lectures)

$$\underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} C(\mathbf{w}) = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y})^{T} (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{w}$$
$$= \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (\mathbf{p}_{i}^{T} \mathbf{w} - y_{i})^{2} + \lambda \mathbf{w}^{T} \mathbf{w}$$

• Let  $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$  be the prediction of target  $y_i$  from features  $\mathbf{x}_i$  for *i*-th training sample. For example, suppose  $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{p}_i^T \mathbf{w}$ , then above becomes

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• Let  $L(f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}), y_i)$  be the penalty for predicting  $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$  when true value is  $y_i$ . For example, suppose  $L(f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}), y_i) = (f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) - y_i)^2$ , then above becomes

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## Building Blocks of ML Algorithms

• From previous slide

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• To make it even more general, we can write Loss function L

Cost function

argmin 
$$C(\mathbf{w}) = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^{m} L(f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}), y_i) + \lambda R(\mathbf{w})$$

Learning mode  $f$ 

Mapping input features to output predictions

Regrularization R

- Learning model f reflects our belief about the relationship between the features  $x_i$  & target  $y_i$
- Loss function L is the penalty for predicting  $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$  when the true value is  $y_i$
- Regularization R encourages less complex models
- Cost function C is the final optimization criterion we want to minimize
- Optimization routine to find solution to cost function

Measure the error between the model's predictions and the actual target values

#### **Motivations for Gradient Descent**

- Different learning function f, loss function L & regularization R give rise to different learning algorithms
- In polynomial regression (previous lectures), optimal w can be written with the following "closed-form" formula (primal solution):

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = (\mathbf{P}_{train}^T \mathbf{P}_{train} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{train}^T \mathbf{y}_{train}$$

- For other learning function f, loss function L & regularization R, optimizing C(w) might not be so easy
- Usually have to estimate w iteratively with some algorithm
- Optimization workhorse for modern machine learning is gradient descent

# **Gradient Descent Algorithm**

• Suppose we want to minimize  $C(\mathbf{w})$  with respect to  $\mathbf{w} = [w_1, \dots, w_d]^T$ 

• Gradient 
$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} C(\mathbf{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_1} \\ \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_d} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $-\nabla_{\mathbf{w}}C(\mathbf{w})$  is vector & function of  $\mathbf{w}$
- $-\nabla_{\mathbf{w}}C(\mathbf{w})$  is direction at  $\mathbf{w}$  where C is increasing most rapidly, so  $-\nabla_{\mathbf{w}}C(\mathbf{w})$  is direction at  $\mathbf{w}$  where C is decreasing most rapidly.
- Gradient Descent:

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Initialize \mathbf{w}_0 and learning rate \eta;

while true do

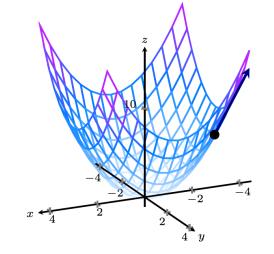
| Compute \mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} C(\mathbf{w}_k)

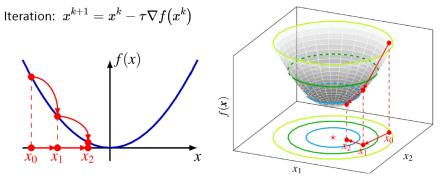
| if converge then

| return \mathbf{w}_{k+1}

| end

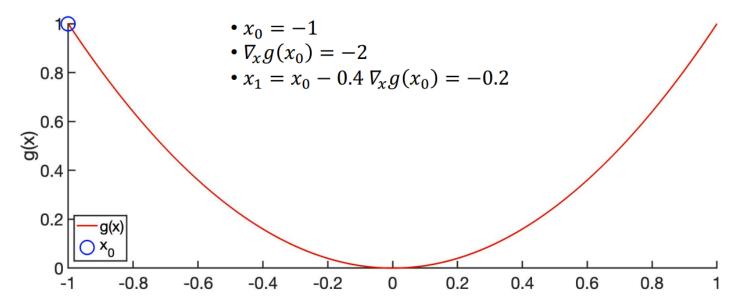
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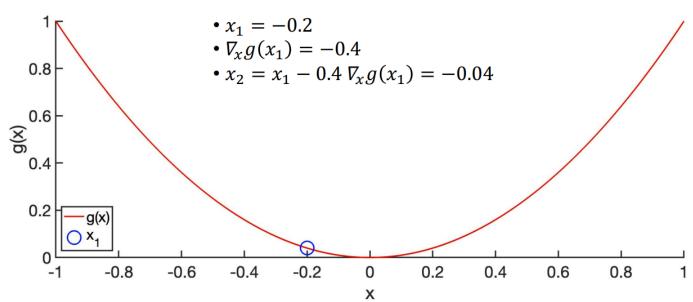
#### **Gradient Descent**

- Gradient  $\nabla_x g(x) = 2x$
- Initialize  $x_0 = -1$ , learning rate  $\eta = 0.4$
- At each iteration,  $x_{k+1} = x_k \eta \nabla_x g(x_k)$



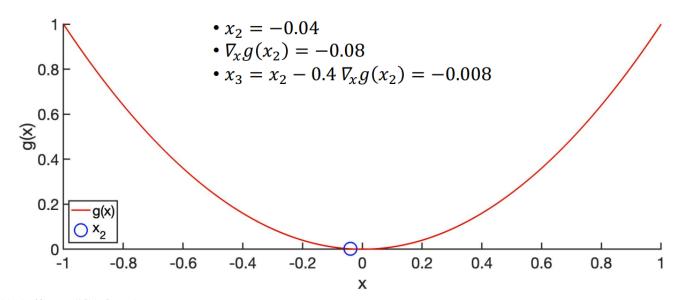
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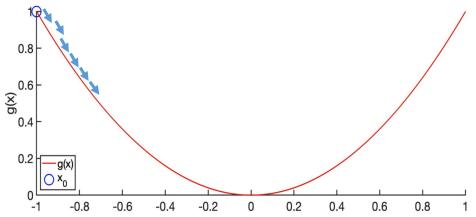
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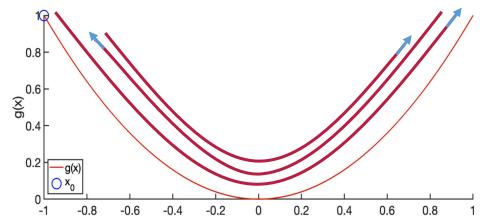


## Learning Rate

If learning rate is too small, may take too long to converge



If learning rate is too big, may jump between local minima and never converge

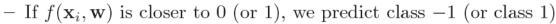


# **Different Learning Models**

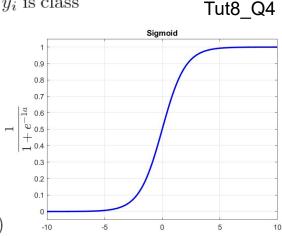
- Different learning models  $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$  reflect our beliefs about the relationship between the features  $\mathbf{x}_i$  and target  $y_i$ 
  - For example,  $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{p}_i^T \mathbf{w}$  assumes polynomial relationship between features and target
- Suppose we are performing classification (rather than regression), so  $y_i$  is class
  - -1 or class 1
    - $-\mathbf{p}_{i}^{T}\mathbf{w}$  is number between  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$ .
    - Can use sigmoid function to map  $\mathbf{p}_i^T \mathbf{w}$  to between 0 and 1:

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \sigma(\mathbf{p}_i^T \mathbf{w})$$
$$\sigma(a) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-a}}$$

Binary classification, logistic regression, neural networks (activation function).



• More generally, in one layer neural network:  $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \sigma(\mathbf{p}_i^T \mathbf{w})$ , where activation function  $\sigma$  can be sigmoid or some other functions &  $\mathbf{p}$  is linear



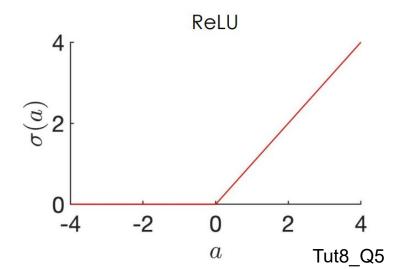
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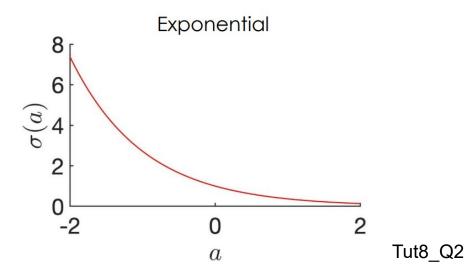
- $f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \sigma(\mathbf{p}_i^T \mathbf{w})$ , where  $\sigma$  can be different functions:
- Rectified linear unit (ReLU):  $\sigma(a) = \max(0, a)$

Deep learning, especially in neural networks.

• Exponential:  $\sigma(a) = \exp(-a)$ 

Growth/decay models, probability distributions, some neural network activations.





#### **Different Loss Functions**

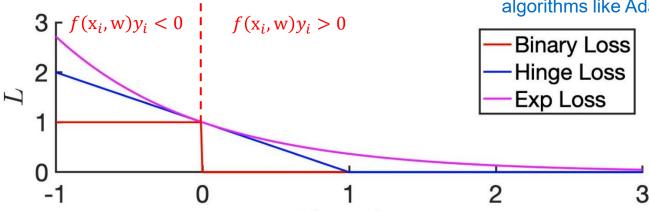
• Binary loss, where  $y_i$  is class -1 or class  $1 \& f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})$  is a number between

$$-\infty$$
 and  $\infty$ :  $L(f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}), y_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})y_i > 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})y_i < 0 \end{cases}$ 

- Binary loss not differentiable, so two other possibilities
  - Hinge loss:  $L(f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}), y_i) = \max(0, 1 f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})y_i)$
  - Exponential loss:  $L(f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}), y_i) = \exp(-f(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w})y_i)$

Hinge Loss: Used primarily for support vector machines (SVMs).

Exp Loss: Often used in boosting algorithms like AdaBoost.



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## Regression

#### Collect Data

#### Model and Loss Function

Learning/Training: compute *w* 

Prediction /Testing: Compute  $y_{new}$ 

$$Xw = y$$

 $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (f_{\mathbf{w},b}(\mathbf{x}_i) - \mathbf{y}_i)^2$ 

- $\widehat{\mathbf{w}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$
- $\widehat{\boldsymbol{f}}_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{X}_{new}) = \mathbf{X}_{new}\widehat{\mathbf{w}}$

- X: Samples
- y: Target values

"closed-form" formula

- Linear or Affine function
- Squared error loss function

- Check the invertibility
- Least square approximation (leftinverse)
- Prediction for new inputs
- Testing: Mean Squared Error (MSE)

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \widehat{y}_i)^2$$

Iterative estimation using gradient descent

 Different learning models and loss

- Compute gradient:  $\nabla_w C(w)$
- Gradient descent (update w):

$$\mathbf{w}_{k+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} C(\mathbf{w})$$

functions

#### Recap

- Building blocks of machine learning algorithms
  - Learning model: reflects our belief about relationship between features & target we want to predict
  - Loss function: penalty for wrong prediction
  - Regularization: penalizes complex models
  - Optimization routine: find minimum of overall cost function
- · Gradient descent algorithm
  - At each iteration, compute gradient & update model parameters in direction opposite to gradient
  - If learning rate  $\eta$  is too big => may not converge
  - If learning rate  $\eta$  is too small => converge very slowly
- Different learning models, e.g., linear, polynomial, sigmoid, ReLU, exponential, etc
- Different loss functions, e.g., square error, binary, exponential, logistic, etc

#### **THANK YOU**