

## Feedback — VI. Logistic Regression

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### Question 1

Suppose that you have trained a logistic regression classifier, and it outputs on a new example  $x$  a prediction  $h_{\theta}(x) = 0.4$ . This means (check all that apply):

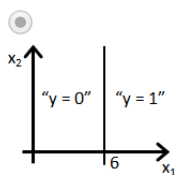
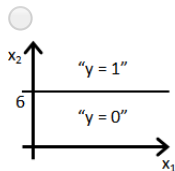
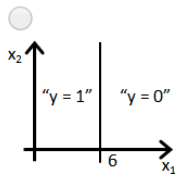
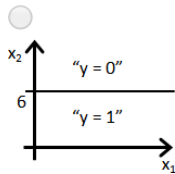
| Your Answer  | Score       | Explanation  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y=0 x;\theta)$ is 0.4.            | ✓ 0.25      | $h_{\theta}(x)$ is $P(y=1 x;\theta)$ , not $P(y=0 x;\theta)$                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y=1 x;\theta)$ is 0.6.            | ✓ 0.25      | $h_{\theta}(x)$ gives $P(y=1 x;\theta)$ , not $1 - P(y=1 x;\theta)$ .                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y=1 x;\theta)$ is 0.4. | ✓ 0.25      | $h_{\theta}(x)$ is precisely $P(y=1 x;\theta)$ , so each is 0.4.                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Our estimate for $P(y=0 x;\theta)$ is 0.6. | ✓ 0.25      | Since we must have $P(y=0 x;\theta) = 1 - P(y=1 x;\theta)$ , the former is $1 - 0.4 = 0.6$ . |
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### Question 2

Suppose you train a logistic classifier  $h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2)$ .

Suppose  $\theta_0 = -6$ ,  $\theta_1 = 1$ ,  $\theta_2 = 0$ . Which of the following figures represents the decision boundary found by your classifier?

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✓ 1.00

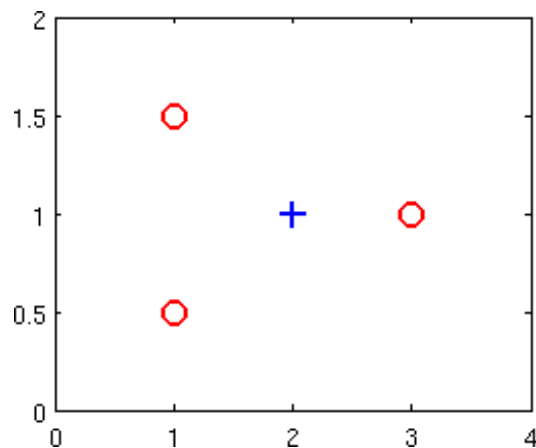
In this figure, we transition from negative to positive when  $x_1$  goes from below 6 to above 6 which is true for the given values of  $\theta$ .

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## Question 3

Suppose you have the following training set, and fit a logistic regression classifier  $h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2)$ .

| $x_1$ | $x_2$ | $y$ |
|-------|-------|-----|
| 1     | 0.5   | 0   |
| 1     | 1.5   | 0   |
| 2     | 1     | 1   |
| 3     | 1     | 0   |



Which of the following are true? Check all that apply.

| Your Answer  | Score  | Explanation  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Because the positive and negative examples cannot be separated using a straight line, linear regression will perform as well as logistic regression on this data.   |  0.25   | While it is true they cannot be separated, logistic regression will outperform linear regression since its cost function focuses on classification, not prediction.  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At the optimal value of $\theta$ (e.g., found by <code>fminunc</code> ), we will have $J(\theta) \geq 0$ .   |  0.25   | The cost function $J(\theta)$ is always non-negative for logistic regression.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adding polynomial features (e.g., instead using $h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_1^2 + \theta_4 x_1 x_2 + \theta_5 x_2^2)$ ) would increase $J(\theta)$ because we are now summing over more terms. |  0.25  | The summation in $J(\theta)$ is over examples, not features. Furthermore, the hypothesis will now be more accurate (or at least just as accurate) with new features, so the cost function will decrease.   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adding polynomial features (e.g., instead using  |  0.25 | Adding new features can only improve the fit on the training set: since setting $\theta_3 = \theta_4 = \theta_5 = 0$ makes the hypothesis the same as the original one, gradient descent will use those features (by making the corresponding $\theta_j$ |

$h_{\theta}(x) =$   
 $g(\theta_0 +$   
 $\theta_1 x_1 +$   
 $\theta_2 x_2 +$   
 $\theta_3 x_1^2 +$   
 $\theta_4 x_1 x_2$   
 $+ \theta_5$   
 $x_2^2)$  ) could  
 increase how  
 well we can fit  
 the training  
 data.

non-zero) only if doing so improves the training set fit.

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## Question 4

For logistic regression, the gradient is given by  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$ . Which of these is a correct gradient descent update for logistic regression with a learning rate of  $\alpha$ ? Check all that apply.

| Your Answer   | Score                                    | Explanation   |
|---|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $\theta := \theta - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x^{(i)}$  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25 | This is a vectorized version of the direct substitution of $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$ into the gradient descent update. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$ (simultaneously update for all j). | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25 | This is a direct substitution of $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$ into the gradient descent update.                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> $\theta := \theta - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta^T x - y^{(i)} \right) x^{(i)}$   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25 | This vectorized version uses the linear regression hypothesis $\theta^T x$ instead of that for logistic regression.                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha$  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25 | This uses the linear regression hypothesis  |

$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \theta^T x^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right)^2$  (simultaneously update for all  $j$ ).

$\theta^T x$  instead of that for logistic regression.

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## Question 5

Which of the following statements are true? Check all that apply.

| Your Answer   | Score                                    | Explanation  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Linear regression always works well for classification if you classify by using a threshold on the prediction made by linear regression.                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25 | As demonstrated in the lecture, linear regression often classifies poorly since its training procedure focuses on predicting real-valued outputs, not classification.  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The one-vs-all technique allows you to use logistic regression for problems in which each $y^{(i)}$ comes from a fixed, discrete set of values. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25 | If each $y^{(i)}$ is one of $k$ different values, we can give a label to each $y^{(i)} \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ and use one-vs-all as described in the lecture.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> For logistic regression, sometimes gradient descent will converge to a local minimum (and fail to find the global minimum). This is                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0.25 | The cost function for logistic regression is convex, so gradient descent will always converge to the global minimum. We still might use a more advanced optimization algorithm since they can be faster and don't require you to select a learning rate. |

the reason we prefer more advanced optimization algorithms such as fminunc (conjugate gradient/BFGS/L-BFGS/etc).

☒ The cost function  $J(\theta)$  for logistic regression trained with  $m \geq 1$  examples is always greater than or equal to zero.

✓ 0.25

The cost for any example  $x^{(i)}$  is always  $\geq 0$  since it is the negative log of a quantity less than one. The cost function  $J(\theta)$  is a summation over the cost for each example, so the cost function itself must be greater than or equal to zero.

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