

# Programming Assignment: Numerical Optimization for Logistic Regression.

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## 0. You will do the following:

1. Read the lecture note: [click here](https://github.com/wangshusen/DeepLearning/blob/master/LectureNotes/Logistic/paper/logistic)  
(<https://github.com/wangshusen/DeepLearning/blob/master/LectureNotes/Logistic/paper/logistic>).
2. Read, complete, and run my code.
3. **Implement mini-batch SGD** and evaluate the performance.
4. Convert the .IPYNB file to .HTML file.
  - The HTML file must contain **the code** and **the output after execution**.
  - Missing **the output after execution** will not be graded.
5. Upload this .HTML file to your Google Drive, Dropbox, or your Github repo. (If you submit the file to Google Drive or Dropbox, you must make the file "open-access". The delay caused by "deny of access" may result in late penalty.)
6. On Canvas, submit the Google Drive/Dropbox/Github link to the HTML file.

## Grading criteria:

1. When computing the gradient and objective function value using a batch of samples, use **matrix-vector multiplication** rather than a FOR LOOP of **vector-vector multiplications**.
2. Plot objective function value against epochs. In the plot, compare GD, SGD, and MB-SGD (with  $b = 8$  and  $b = 64$ ). The plot must look reasonable.



## 1. Data processing

- Download the Diabete dataset from  
<https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~cjlin/libsvmtools/datasets/binary/diabetes>  
(<https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~cjlin/libsvmtools/datasets/binary/diabetes>).
- Load the data using sklearn.
- Preprocess the data.

## 1.1. Load the data

```
In [1]: 1 from sklearn import datasets
        2 import numpy
        3
        4 x_sparse, y = datasets.load_svmlight_file('diabetes')
        5 x = x_sparse.todense()
        6
        7 print('Shape of x: ' + str(x.shape))
        8 print('Shape of y: ' + str(y.shape))
```

Shape of x: (768, 8)

Shape of y: (768,)

## 1.2. Partition to training and test sets

```
In [2]: 1 # partition the data to training and test sets
        2 n = x.shape[0]
        3 n_train = 640
        4 n_test = n - n_train
        5
        6 rand_indices = numpy.random.permutation(n)
        7 train_indices = rand_indices[0:n_train]
        8 test_indices = rand_indices[n_train:n]
        9
       10 x_train = x[train_indices, :]
       11 x_test = x[test_indices, :]
       12 y_train = y[train_indices].reshape(n_train, 1)
       13 y_test = y[test_indices].reshape(n_test, 1)
       14
       15 print('Shape of x_train: ' + str(x_train.shape))
       16 print('Shape of x_test: ' + str(x_test.shape))
       17 print('Shape of y_train: ' + str(y_train.shape))
       18 print('Shape of y_test: ' + str(y_test.shape))
```

Shape of x\_train: (640, 8)

Shape of x\_test: (128, 8)

Shape of y\_train: (640, 1)

Shape of y\_test: (128, 1)

## 1.3. Feature scaling

Use the standardization to transform both training and test features

```
In [3]: ▶ 1 # Standardization
2 import numpy
3
4 # calculate mu and sig using the training set
5 d = x_train.shape[1]
6 mu = numpy.mean(x_train, axis=0).reshape(1, d)
7 sig = numpy.std(x_train, axis=0).reshape(1, d)
8
9 # transform the training features
10 x_train = (x_train - mu) / (sig + 1E-6)
11
12 # transform the test features
13 x_test = (x_test - mu) / (sig + 1E-6)
14
15 print('test mean = ')
16 print(numpy.mean(x_test, axis=0))
17
18 print('test std = ')
19 print(numpy.std(x_test, axis=0))
```

```
test mean =
[[-0.07086932  0.10513049  0.0512098   0.11588343 -0.0180108   0.05946569
  -0.08438162  0.09829334]]
test std =
[[1.065022   1.0255224  1.11841399  1.07613639  0.97045244  1.1300538
   0.86300657  1.0941474  ]]
```

## 1.4. Add a dimension of all ones

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In [4]: ▶ 1 n_train, d = x_train.shape
2 x_train = numpy.concatenate((x_train, numpy.ones((n_train, 1))), axis=1)
3
4 n_test, d = x_test.shape
5 x_test = numpy.concatenate((x_test, numpy.ones((n_test, 1))), axis=1)
6
7 print('Shape of x_train: ' + str(x_train.shape))
8 print('Shape of x_test: ' + str(x_test.shape))
```

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Shape of x_train: (640, 9)
Shape of x_test: (128, 9)
```

## 2. Logistic regression model

The objective function is  $Q(w; X, y) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left( 1 + \exp \left( - y_i x_i^T w \right) \right) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|w\|_2^2$ .

```
In [5]: ▶ 1 # Calculate the objective function value
2 # Inputs:
3 #     w: d-by-1 matrix
4 #     x: n-by-d matrix
5 #     y: n-by-1 matrix
6 #     lam: scalar, the regularization parameter
7 # Return:
8 #     objective function value (scalar)
9 def objective(w, x, y, lam):
10     n, d = x.shape
11     yx = numpy.multiply(y, x) # n-by-d matrix
12     yxw = numpy.dot(yx, w) # n-by-1 matrix
13     vec1 = numpy.exp(-yxw) # n-by-1 matrix
14     vec2 = numpy.log(1 + vec1) # n-by-1 matrix
15     loss = numpy.mean(vec2) # scalar
16     reg = lam / 2 * numpy.sum(w * w) # scalar
17     return loss + reg
18
```

```
In [6]: ▶ 1 # initialize w
2 d = x_train.shape[1]
3 w = numpy.zeros((d, 1))
4
5 # evaluate the objective function value at w
6 lam = 1E-6
7 objval0 = objective(w, x_train, y_train, lam)
8 print('Initial objective function value = ' + str(objval0))
```

Initial objective function value = 0.6931471805599453

## 3. Numerical optimization

### 3.1. Gradient descent

The gradient at  $w$  is  $g = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i x_i}{1 + \exp(y_i x_i^T w)} + \lambda w$

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In [7]: ▶ 1 # Calculate the gradient
2 # Inputs:
3 #     w: d-by-1 matrix
4 #     x: n-by-d matrix
5 #     y: n-by-1 matrix
6 #     lam: scalar, the regularization parameter
7 # Return:
8 #     g: g: d-by-1 matrix, full gradient
9 def gradient(w, x, y, lam):
10     n, d = x.shape
11     yx = numpy.multiply(y, x) # n-by-d matrix
12     yxw = numpy.dot(yx, w) # n-by-1 matrix
13     vec1 = numpy.exp(yxw) # n-by-1 matrix
14     vec2 = numpy.divide(yx, 1+vec1) # n-by-d matrix
15     vec3 = -numpy.mean(vec2, axis=0).reshape(d, 1) # d-by-1 matrix
16     g = vec3 + lam * w
17     return g

```

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In [8]: ▶ 1 # Gradient descent for solving logistic regression
2 # Inputs:
3 #     x: n-by-d matrix
4 #     y: n-by-1 matrix
5 #     lam: scalar, the regularization parameter
6 #     stepsize: scalar
7 #     max_iter: integer, the maximal iterations
8 #     w: d-by-1 matrix, initialization of w
9 # Return:
10 #     w: d-by-1 matrix, the solution
11 #     objvals: a record of each iteration's objective value
12 def grad_descent(x, y, lam, stepsize, max_iter=100, w=None):
13     n, d = x.shape
14     objvals = numpy.zeros(max_iter) # store the objective values
15     if w is None:
16         w = numpy.zeros((d, 1)) # zero initialization
17
18     for t in range(max_iter):
19         objval = objective(w, x, y, lam)
20         objvals[t] = objval
21         print('Objective value at t=' + str(t) + ' is ' + str(objval))
22         g = gradient(w, x, y, lam)
23         w -= stepsize * g
24
25     return w, objvals

```

Run gradient descent.

In [9]: ▶

```
1 lam = 1E-6
2 stepsize = 1.0
3 w, objvals_gd = grad_descent(x_train, y_train, lam, stepsize)
```

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Objective value at t=0 is 0.6931471805599453
Objective value at t=1 is 0.5957411105417552
Objective value at t=2 is 0.5556691726850684
Objective value at t=3 is 0.5341302795143784
Objective value at t=4 is 0.5207074377314754
Objective value at t=5 is 0.5116275277965681
Objective value at t=6 is 0.505169717970275
Objective value at t=7 is 0.5004199183716509
Objective value at t=8 is 0.49684035936851434
Objective value at t=9 is 0.49409177208703875
Objective value at t=10 is 0.4919492902102697
Objective value at t=11 is 0.4902583508269297
Objective value at t=12 is 0.4889096878556349
Objective value at t=13 is 0.4878242893558486
Objective value at t=14 is 0.48694393238579814
Objective value at t=15 is 0.4862250151439117
Objective value at t=16 is 0.4856344232007914
Objective value at t=17 is 0.4851466936936782
Objective value at t=18 is 0.48474203084323253
Objective value at t=19 is 0.4844048928426671
Objective value at t=20 is 0.4841229698932907
Objective value at t=21 is 0.4838864347140234
Objective value at t=22 is 0.4836873858442059
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Objective value at t=33 is 0.48275541176391495
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Objective value at t=50 is 0.4825591577282644
Objective value at t=51 is 0.4825566658031174
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Objective value at t=53 is 0.48255261717893216
Objective value at t=54 is 0.48255097954018455
Objective value at t=55 is 0.48254955473021893
Objective value at t=56 is 0.4825483146756717
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Objective value at t=67 is 0.482541763835345
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Objective value at t=89 is 0.4825399621865211
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Objective value at t=92 is 0.482539928869565
Objective value at t=93 is 0.4825399203937525
Objective value at t=94 is 0.48253991296638843
Objective value at t=95 is 0.4825399064571791
Objective value at t=96 is 0.48253990075211156
Objective value at t=97 is 0.4825398957514058
Objective value at t=98 is 0.4825398913677269
Objective value at t=99 is 0.48253988752462335

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### 3.2. Stochastic gradient descent (SGD)

Define  $Q_i(w) = \log \left( 1 + \exp \left( - y_i x_i^T w \right) \right) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|w\|_2^2$ .

The stochastic gradient at  $w$  is  $g_i = \frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial w} = -\frac{y_i x_i}{1 + \exp(y_i x_i^T w)} + \lambda w$ .



```
In [10]: ▶ 1 # Calculate the objective  $Q_i$  and the gradient of  $Q_i$ 
2 # Inputs:
3 #     w: d-by-1 matrix
4 #     xi: 1-by-d matrix
5 #     yi: scalar
6 #     lam: scalar, the regularization parameter
7 # Return:
8 #     obj: scalar, the objective  $Q_i$ 
9 #     g: d-by-1 matrix, gradient of  $Q_i$ 
10 def stochastic_objective_gradient(w, xi, yi, lam):
11     yx = yi * xi # 1-by-d matrix
12     yxw = float(numpy.dot(yx, w)) # scalar
13
14     # calculate objective function  $Q_i$ 
15     loss = numpy.log(1 + numpy.exp(-yxw)) # scalar
16     reg = lam / 2 * numpy.sum(w * w) # scalar
17     obj = loss + reg
18
19     # calculate stochastic gradient
20     g_loss = -yx.T / (1 + numpy.exp(yxw)) # d-by-1 matrix
21     g = g_loss + lam * w # d-by-1 matrix
22
23     return obj, g
```

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In [11]: ▶ 1 # SGD for solving logistic regression
2 # Inputs:
3 #     x: n-by-d matrix
4 #     y: n-by-1 matrix
5 #     lam: scalar, the regularization parameter
6 #     stepsize: scalar
7 #     max_epoch: integer, the maximal epochs
8 #     w: d-by-1 matrix, initialization of w
9 # Return:
10 #     w: the solution
11 #     objvals: record of each iteration's objective value
12 def sgd(x, y, lam, stepsize, max_epoch=100, w=None):
13     n, d = x.shape
14     objvals = numpy.zeros(max_epoch) # store the objective values
15     if w is None:
16         w = numpy.zeros((d, 1)) # zero initialization
17
18     for t in range(max_epoch):
19         # randomly shuffle the samples
20         rand_indices = numpy.random.permutation(n)
21         x_rand = x[rand_indices, :]
22         y_rand = y[rand_indices, :]
23
24         objval = 0 # accumulate the objective values
25         for i in range(n):
26             xi = x_rand[i, :] # 1-by-d matrix
27             yi = float(y_rand[i, :]) # scalar
28             obj, g = stochastic_objective_gradient(w, xi, yi, lam)
29             objval += obj
30             w -= stepsize * g
31
32         stepsize *= 0.9 # decrease step size
33         objval /= n
34         objvals[t] = objval
35         print('Objective value at epoch t=' + str(t) + ' is ' + str(objval))
36
37     return w, objvals

```

Run SGD.

In [12]: ▶

```
1 lam = 1E-6
2 stepsize = 0.1
3 w, objvals_sgd = sgd(x_train, y_train, lam, stepsize)
```

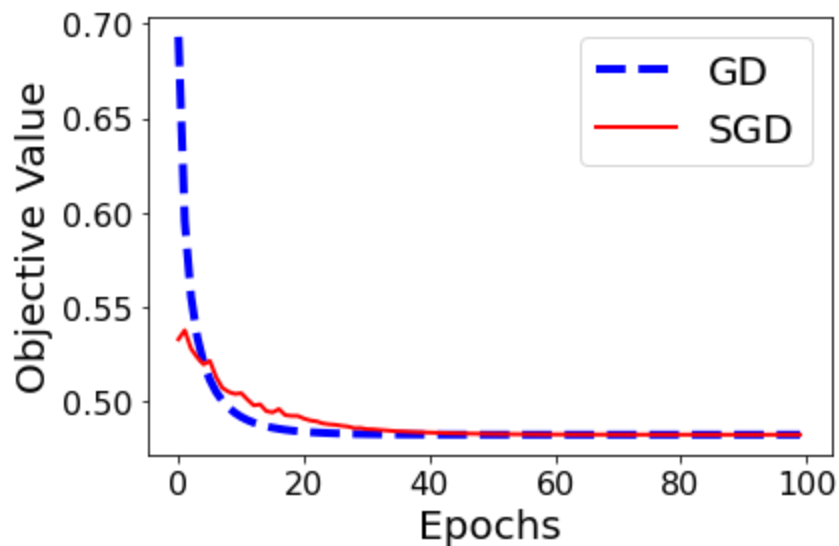
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Objective value at epoch t=0 is 0.5330283706031178
Objective value at epoch t=1 is 0.5377912639277465
Objective value at epoch t=2 is 0.5280745145900925
Objective value at epoch t=3 is 0.5234109910796725
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Objective value at epoch t=57 is 0.4827299226863251
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Objective value at epoch t=70 is 0.48258868816693673
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Objective value at epoch t=97 is 0.48254297116825545
Objective value at epoch t=98 is 0.48254268860750926
Objective value at epoch t=99 is 0.48254243427857785
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## 4. Compare GD with SGD

Plot objective function values against epochs.

```
In [13]: ▶ 1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 %matplotlib inline
3
4 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(6, 4))
5
6 epochs_gd = range(len(objvals_gd))
7 epochs_sgd = range(len(objvals_sgd))
8
9 line0, = plt.plot(epochs_gd, objvals_gd, '--b', LineWidth=4)
10 line1, = plt.plot(epochs_sgd, objvals_sgd, '-r', LineWidth=2)
11 plt.xlabel('Epochs', FontSize=20)
12 plt.ylabel('Objective Value', FontSize=20)
13 plt.xticks(FontSize=16)
14 plt.yticks(FontSize=16)
15 plt.legend([line0, line1], ['GD', 'SGD'], fontsize=20)
16 plt.tight_layout()
17 plt.show()
18 fig.savefig('compare_gd_sgd.pdf', format='pdf', dpi=1200)
```



## 5. Prediction

```
In [14]: ▶ 1 # Predict class label
2 # Inputs:
3 #     w: d-by-1 matrix
4 #     X: m-by-d matrix
5 # Return:
6 #     f: m-by-1 matrix, the predictions
7 def predict(w, X):
8     xw = numpy.dot(X, w)
9     f = numpy.sign(xw)
10    return f
```

```
In [15]: ▶ 1 # evaluate training error
          2 f_train = predict(w, x_train)
          3 diff = numpy.abs(f_train - y_train) / 2
          4 error_train = numpy.mean(diff)
          5 print('Training classification error is ' + str(error_train))
```

Training classification error is 0.2265625

```
In [16]: ▶ 1 # evaluate test error
          2 f_test = predict(w, x_test)
          3 diff = numpy.abs(f_test - y_test) / 2
          4 error_test = numpy.mean(diff)
          5 print('Test classification error is ' + str(error_test))
```

Test classification error is 0.1875

## 6. Mini-batch SGD (fill the code)

### 6.1. Compute the objective $Q_I$ and its gradient using a batch of samples

Define  $Q_I(w) = \frac{1}{b} \sum_{i \in I} \log \left( 1 + \exp \left( -y_i x_i^T w \right) \right) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|w\|_2^2$ , where  $I$  is a set containing  $b$  indices randomly drawn from  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  without replacement.

The stochastic gradient at  $w$  is  $g_I = \frac{\partial Q_I}{\partial w} = \frac{1}{b} \sum_{i \in I} \frac{-y_i x_i}{1 + \exp(y_i x_i^T w)} + \lambda w$ .

```

In [23]: ▶ 1 # Calculate the objective  $Q_I$  and the gradient of  $Q_I$ 
2 # Inputs:
3 #      $w$ :  $d$ -by-1 matrix
4 #      $x_i$ :  $b$ -by- $d$  matrix
5 #      $y_i$ :  $b$ -by-1 matrix
6 #      $\text{lam}$ : scalar, the regularization parameter
7 #      $b$ : integer, the batch size
8 # Return:
9 #      $\text{obj}$ : scalar, the objective  $Q_i$ 
10 #      $g$ :  $d$ -by-1 matrix, gradient of  $Q_i$ 
11 def mb_stochastic_objective_gradient(w, xi, yi, lam, b):
12
13     yx = numpy.multiply(yi,xi) # 1-by- $d$  matrix
14     yxw = (numpy.dot(yx, w)) # scalar
15
16     # calculate objective function  $Q_i$ 
17     loss = numpy.mean(numpy.log(1 + numpy.exp(-yxw))) # scalar
18     reg = (lam / 2) * numpy.sum(w * w) # scalar
19     obj = loss + reg
20
21     # calculate stochastic gradient
22     g_loss = numpy.mean(-yx / (1 + numpy.exp(yxw)),axis=0).reshape(d,1) #
23     g = g_loss + lam * w #  $d$ -by-1 matrix
24     # Fill the function
25     # Follow the implementation of stochastic_objective_gradient
26     # Use matrix-vector multiplication; do not use FOR LOOP of vector-vec
27     ...
28
29     return obj, g

```

## 6.2. Implement mini-batch SGD

Hints:

1. In every epoch, randomly permute the  $n$  samples (just like SGD).
2. Each epoch has  $\frac{n}{b}$  iterations. In every iteration, use  $b$  samples, and compute the gradient and objective using the `mb_stochastic_objective_gradient` function. In the next iteration, use the next  $b$  samples, and so on.



In [24]: ▶

```

1  # Mini-Batch SGD for solving logistic regression
2  # Inputs:
3  #     x: n-by-d matrix
4  #     y: n-by-1 matrix
5  #     lam: scalar, the regularization parameter
6  #     b: integer, the batch size
7  #     stepsize: scalar
8  #     max_epoch: integer, the maximal epochs
9  #     w: d-by-1 matrix, initialization of w
10 # Return:
11 #     w: the solution
12 #     objvals: record of each iteration's objective value
13 def mb_sgd(x, y, lam, b, stepsize, max_epoch=100, w=None):
14     # Fill the function
15     # Follow the implementation of sgd
16     # Record one objective value per epoch (not per iteration!)
17
18     n, d = x.shape
19     objvals = numpy.zeros(max_epoch) # store the objective values
20     if w is None:
21         w = numpy.zeros((d, 1)) # zero initialization
22
23     for t in range(max_epoch):
24         # randomly shuffle the samples
25         rand_indices = numpy.random.permutation(n)
26         x_rand = x[rand_indices, :]
27         y_rand = y[rand_indices]
28
29         objval = 0 # accumulate the objective values
30         for i in range(0, n, b):
31             xi = x_rand[i:i + b] # 1-by-d matrix
32             yi = (y_rand[i:i+b]) # scalar
33             obj, g = mb_stochastic_objective_gradient(w, xi, yi, lam, b)
34             objval += obj
35             w -= stepsize * g
36
37         stepsize *= 0.9 # decrease step size
38         objval /= n/b
39         objvals[t] = objval
40         print('Objective value at epoch t=' + str(t) + ' is ' + str(objval))
41
42     return w, objvals

```

## 6.3. Run MB-SGD

```
In [25]: ▶ 1 # MB-SGD with batch size b=8
          2 lam = 1E-6 # do not change
          3 b = 8 # do not change
          4 stepsize = 0.1 # you must tune this parameter
          5
          6 w, objvals_mbsgd8 = mb_sgd(x_train, y_train, lam, b, stepsize)
```

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Objective value at epoch t=0 is 0.5556642446298549
Objective value at epoch t=1 is 0.4985714953268937
Objective value at epoch t=2 is 0.4918533059698581
Objective value at epoch t=3 is 0.4894409333414284
Objective value at epoch t=4 is 0.4874694241339667
Objective value at epoch t=5 is 0.4877448134351364
Objective value at epoch t=6 is 0.4875112961040885
Objective value at epoch t=7 is 0.4863747925445446
Objective value at epoch t=8 is 0.48662053847891656
Objective value at epoch t=9 is 0.48592570263392565
Objective value at epoch t=10 is 0.4856174626805035
Objective value at epoch t=11 is 0.48537513536488097
Objective value at epoch t=12 is 0.48527695033693935
Objective value at epoch t=13 is 0.48485149175685394
Objective value at epoch t=14 is 0.48443704164464363
Objective value at epoch t=15 is 0.4843781051381223
Objective value at epoch t=16 is 0.48427583607568225
Objective value at epoch t=17 is 0.48412546527157707
Objective value at epoch t=18 is 0.4839034763711732
Objective value at epoch t=19 is 0.4838178221852621
Objective value at epoch t=20 is 0.4837329239731553
Objective value at epoch t=21 is 0.48364204806806
Objective value at epoch t=22 is 0.4834152898033353
Objective value at epoch t=23 is 0.4834341622669708
Objective value at epoch t=24 is 0.4832858848277066
Objective value at epoch t=25 is 0.4831707505900932
Objective value at epoch t=26 is 0.48314870867743515
Objective value at epoch t=27 is 0.483130275342161
Objective value at epoch t=28 is 0.4830882133316604
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Objective value at epoch t=40 is 0.48268180950638023
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Objective value at epoch t=42 is 0.4826574170942065
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Objective value at epoch t=45 is 0.4826244162920936
Objective value at epoch t=46 is 0.4826181823611659
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Objective value at epoch t=48 is 0.4825974690929809
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Objective value at epoch t=50 is 0.48258782746273543
Objective value at epoch t=51 is 0.4825886159343901
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Objective value at epoch t=53 is 0.48258341069866156
Objective value at epoch t=54 is 0.4825732617633012
Objective value at epoch t=55 is 0.48257071248889893
Objective value at epoch t=56 is 0.4825649161399956
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Objective value at epoch t=57 is 0.48256693094216896
Objective value at epoch t=58 is 0.48256236916218515
Objective value at epoch t=59 is 0.4825587365532778
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```

In [27]: ▶

```
1 # MB-SGD with batch size b=64
2 lam = 1E-6 # do not change
3 b = 64 # do not change
4 stepsize = 0.9 # you must tune this parameter
5
6 w, objvals_mbsgd64 = mb_sgd(x_train, y_train, lam, b, stepsize)
```

```
Objective value at epoch t=0 is 0.5530678719588462
Objective value at epoch t=1 is 0.4978766512983623
Objective value at epoch t=2 is 0.4939217171154371
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Objective value at epoch t=98 is 0.4825406947757921
Objective value at epoch t=99 is 0.4825405871584289
```

## 7. Plot and compare GD, SGD, and MB-SGD

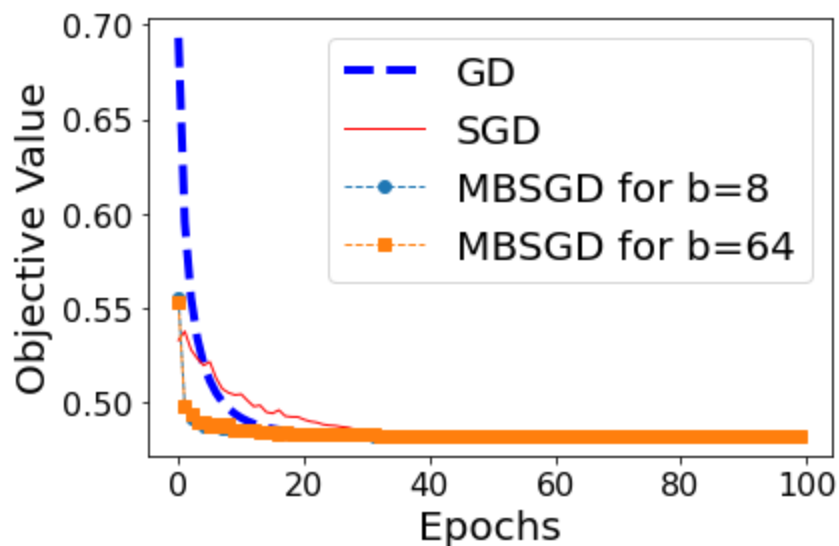
You are required to compare the following algorithms:

- Gradient descent (GD)
- SGD
- MB-SGD with  $b=8$
- MB-SGD with  $b=64$

Follow the code in Section 4 to plot objective function value against epochs. There should

Hint: Logistic regression with  $\ell_2$ -norm regularization is a strongly convex optimization problem. All the algorithms will converge to the same solution. **In the end, the objective function value of the 4 algorithms will be the same. If not the same, your implementation must be wrong. Do NOT submit wrong code and wrong result!**

```
In [28]: ▶ 1 # plot the 4 curves:
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3
4 %matplotlib inline
5
6 fig=plt.figure(figsize=(6,4))
7
8 epochs_gd=range(len(objvals_gd))
9 epochs_sgd=range(len(objvals_sgd))
10 epochs_mbsgd8=range(len(objvals_mbsgd8))
11 epochs_mbsgd64=range(len(objvals_mbsgd64))
12
13 line0,=plt.plot(epochs_gd,objvals_gd,'--b',LineWidth=4)
14 line1,=plt.plot(epochs_sgd,objvals_sgd,'-r',LineWidth=1)
15 line2,=plt.plot(epochs_mbsgd8,objvals_mbsgd8,'--o',LineWidth=1)
16 line3,=plt.plot(epochs_mbsgd64,objvals_mbsgd64,'--s',LineWidth=1)
17 plt.xlabel('Epochs', fontsize=20)
18 plt.ylabel('Objective Value',fontsize=20)
19 plt.xticks(fontsize=16)
20 plt.yticks(fontsize=16)
21
22 plt.legend([line0,line1,line2,line3],['GD','SGD','MBSGD for b=8','MBSGD for b=64'])
23 plt.tight_layout()
24 plt.show()
25
26
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Evaluating the Mini Batch Performance: Notice that the SGD performance had a low prediction error. Therefore, MBSGD resulting in the similar answers show that this method is accurate as well. The benefit of MBSGD compared to GD or SGD is that since it takes mini batches it requires less work and produces results faster.