

Maximum Negative Likelihood, J_i , for Logistic Regression

$$J_i(\theta_i) = -y^{(i)} \log \sigma(x^{(i)} \theta_i^T) - (1 - y^{(i)}) \log (1 - \sigma(x^{(i)} \theta_i^T))$$

J = cost (gradient) function θ = weights (parameters)

σ = sigmoid function - threshold function which linear response passed to

j = ^{current} observation, i = ^{current} parameter, θ , x = feature data, y = label data

① Gradient, $\frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta}$, of Maximum Negative Likelihood

Given there are 3 parameters: θ_0 , θ_1 , and θ_2 , the gradient vector would be

$$\nabla J_i = \left\langle \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \theta_0}, \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \theta_1}, \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \theta_2} \right\rangle$$

Solving for the i^{th} component, $\frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \theta_i}$, of ∇J of the j^{th} data point ($x = x^{(j)}$)

$$J(\theta_i) = -y \log \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T) - (1 - y) \log (1 - \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T))$$

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta_i)}{\partial \theta_i} = - \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} y \log \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} (1 - y) \log (1 - \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T))$$

$$= \left[- \frac{y}{\sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)} + \frac{(1 - y)}{1 - \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)} \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)$$

$$= \left[\frac{-y}{\sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)} + \frac{(1 - y)}{1 - \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)} \right] \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T) [1 - \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)] x$$

$$= \left[\frac{-y + \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)}{\sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T) (1 - \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T))} \right] \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T) [1 - \sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T)] x$$

$$= [\sigma(x \cdot \theta_i^T) - y] x^{(j)} \Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla_{\theta} J = (\hat{y} - y) x}$$