# CS 146 Discussion Week 1

Linear Algebra

## Outline

- Linear regression
- Convex functions

# **Linear Regression**

- Input:  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  input features/attributes for the *i*-th example
- Output:  $y^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}$  corresponding label for the *i*-th example
- Goal: find parameters  $oldsymbol{ heta} \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$

such that least squares loss function is minimized.

$$J(m{ heta}) = rac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (h_{m{ heta}}(m{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$
 
$$ext{where} \quad h_{m{ heta}}(m{x}) = heta_0 + heta_1 x_1 + heta_2 x_2 + \dots + heta_d x = m{ heta}^{ ext{T}} m{x}$$

How do we minimize it? Gradient descent.

#### **Derivation**

• Derivation of  $J(\theta)$ 

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left( \boldsymbol{x}^{(i)} \right) - y^{(i)} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=0}^d \theta_k x_k^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=0}^d \theta_k x_k^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left( \sum_{k=0}^d \theta_k x_k^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=0}^d \theta_k x_k^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) x_j^{(i)} \end{split}$$

Vectorization

$$rac{\partial}{\partial oldsymbol{ heta}} J(oldsymbol{ heta}) = rac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (oldsymbol{ heta}^{ extsf{T}} oldsymbol{x}^{(i)} - y^{(i)}) oldsymbol{x}^{(i)}$$

# Comparing analytical and numerical solutions

```
x = np.array([[1, 2]]).transpose()
y = np.array([[3]])
def J(theta):
  return (theta.transpose() @ x - y ) ** 2
theta = np.array([[3, 4]]).transpose()
print(theta)
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print(J(theta))
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delta = np.array([[0.000001, 0 ]]).transpose()
print(((J(theta + delta) - J(theta)) / delta[0]))
delta = np.array([[0, 0.000001 ]]).transpose()
print(((J(theta + delta) - J(theta)) / delta[1]))
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def nabla_J(theta):
    return (theta.transpose() @ x - y ) * x

print(nabla_J(theta))

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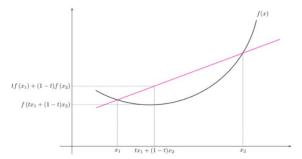
Notebook: https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1LjtgfnjJOYXDStj94HezebKAxTqOIGo4?usp=sharing

## Exercise

• For function  $J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (h_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^4$ , compute first-order derivative for it and rewrite the results in vectorization formulation.

#### **Convex Functions**

• **Definition:** A real-valued function f is **convex** if the line segment joining any two points lies above the function

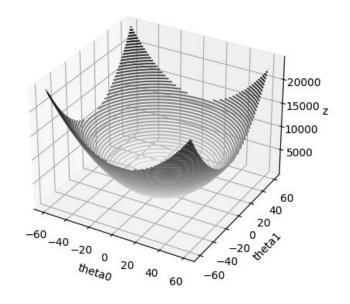


• A function f is convex iff for all  $0 \le t \le 1$  and all  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ :

$$f(tx_1 + (1-t)x_2) \le tf(x_1) + (1-t)f(x_2)$$

#### Visualization

```
fig = plt.figure()
ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')
ax.contour3D(theta0, theta1, Z, 50, cmap='binary')
ax.set_xlabel('theta0')
ax.set_ylabel('theta1')
ax.set_zlabel('z');
```



## **Convex Functions**

- Prove that  $J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (h_{\theta}(\boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}) y^{(i)})^2$  is convex.
  - By showing that the second order derivative is positive semi-definite.