

# CS 260: Foundations of Data Science

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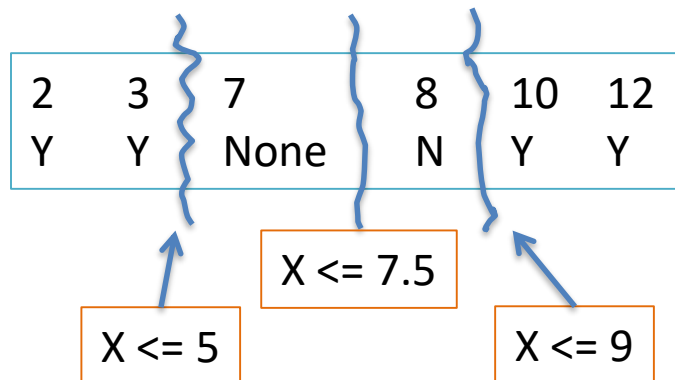
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 $x \leq 44$

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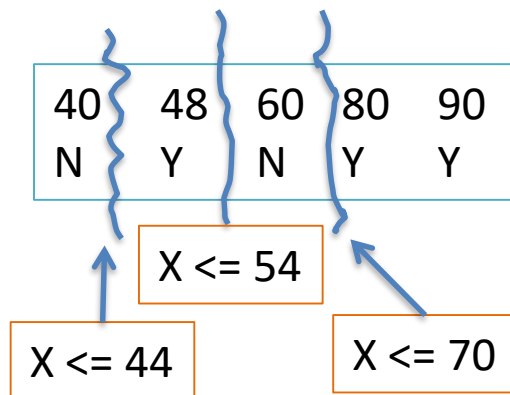
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The range of a linear function (i.e.  $y$  values) is  $[-\infty, \infty]$ , but we want  $[0, 1]$

# Challenger Explosion Data

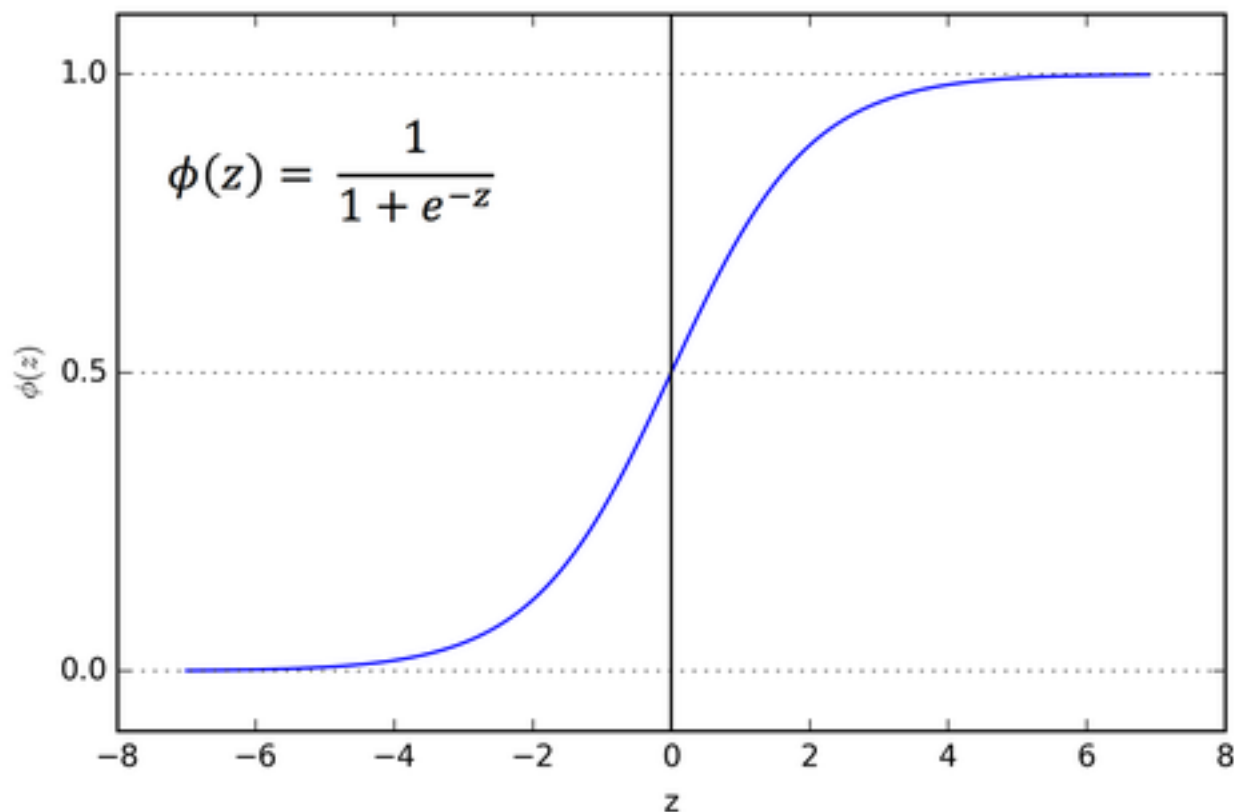


Image: NASA

1	Date	Temperature	Damage Incident
2	04/12/1981	66	0
3	11/12/1981	70	1
4	3/22/82	69	0
5	6/27/82	80	NA
6	01/11/1982	68	0
7	04/04/1983	67	0
8	6/18/83	72	0
9	8/30/83	73	0
10	11/28/83	70	0
11	02/03/1984	57	1
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23	10/30/85	75	1
24	11/26/85	76	0
25	01/12/1986	58	1
26	1/28/86	31	Challenger Accident

# Logistic (sigmoid) function

Transforms a continuous real number into a range of (0, 1)



# Logistic Regression

- Binary classification  $y \in \{0,1\}$
- Model will be

$$h_{\vec{w}}(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}}}$$

- Classification (already have  $\vec{w}$ )

$$\text{if } \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \hat{y} = 1$$

$$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x} < 0 \Rightarrow \hat{y} = 0$$



# Logistic regression example

- If  $p=1$  (one feature), can solve for  $x$

$$w_0 + w_1 x \geq 0$$

$$w_1 x \geq -w_0$$

$$x \geq -\frac{w_0}{w_1}$$

- Ex:  $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x \leq \frac{3}{2} \text{ means predict } \hat{y} = 1$$

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# How to find $\vec{w}$ ?

- Need a cost function
- Can measure model performance with likelihood

$$L(\vec{w}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \underbrace{h_{\vec{w}}(\vec{x}_i)^{y_i}}_{\text{prob of 1}} \underbrace{(1 - h_{\vec{w}}(\vec{x}_i))^{(1-y_i)}}_{\text{prob of 0}}$$

want high

# Cost function for logistic regression

$$J(\vec{w}) = \underbrace{-\log(L(\vec{w}))}_{\text{negative log-likelihood}}$$

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minimize

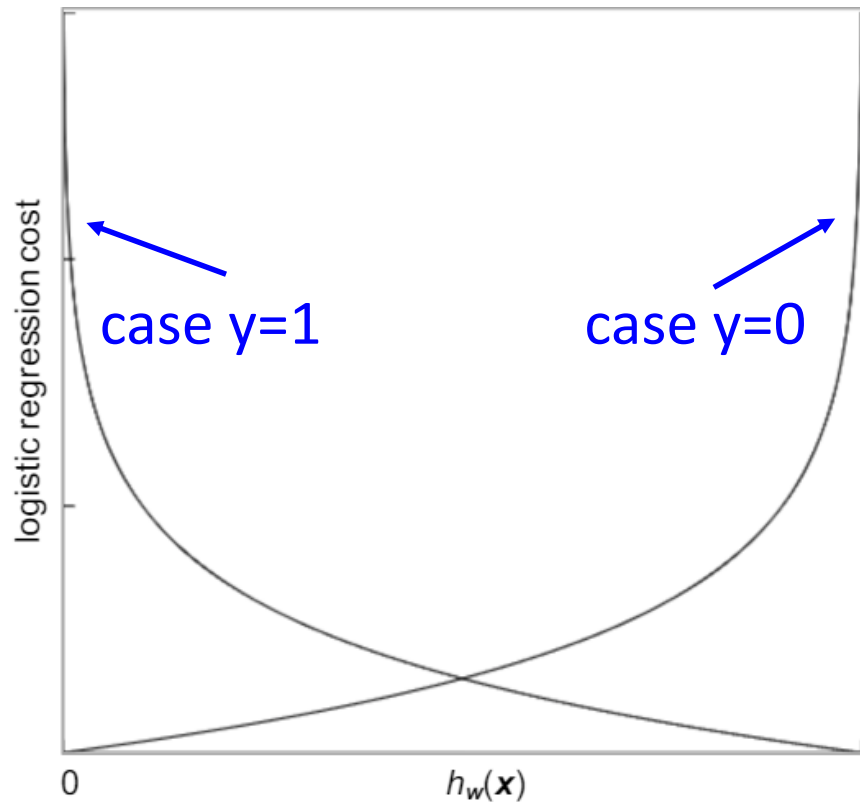
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- Single example  $\vec{x}, y$

$$J(\vec{w}) = \begin{cases} -\log(h_{\vec{w}}(\vec{x})) & \text{if } y = 1 \\ -\log(1 - h_{\vec{w}}(\vec{x})) & \text{if } y = 0 \end{cases}$$

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# Stochastic Gradient Descent for Logistic Regression (binary classification)

set  $\vec{w} = \vec{0}$

while cost  $J(\vec{w})$  is still changing:

    shuffle data points

    for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ :

$$\vec{w} \leftarrow \vec{w} - \alpha \underbrace{\nabla_{\vec{x}_i} J(\vec{w})}_{\text{derivative of } J(\vec{w}) \text{ wrt } x_i}$$

    store  $J(\vec{w})$

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- Gradient of cost wrt single data point  $\mathbf{x}_i$

$$\nabla J_{\mathbf{x}_i}(\mathbf{w}) = (h_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i) \mathbf{x}_i$$

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# Cost function as Cross Entropy

$$J(\vec{w}) = -\underbrace{y}_{\text{probability distribution}} \log(h_{\vec{w}}(x)) + \underbrace{(1-y)}_{\text{probability distribution}} \log(1 - h_{\vec{w}}(x))$$

$$\text{entropy } H(Y) = - \sum_{y \in \text{vals}(Y)} p(y) \log p(y)$$

$$\text{Cross entropy } H(p, q) = - \sum_x p(x) \log q(x)$$

# Cost function as Cross Entropy

- Example
  - true:  $y=0$ ,  $1-y=1$
  - pred:  $h=0.4$ ,  $1-h=0.6$

$$H(\text{true}, \text{pred}) = -(0 \log(0.4) + 1 \log(0.6)) = 0.5$$