

## Background Warm-up:

## 1. Background Refresher

<2> : Proof: Given two <sup>independent</sup> Poisson Random Variables:  
 $X_1 \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1)$ ,  $X_2 \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_2)$

Notice their MGFs are:

$$M_{X_1}(t) = e^{\lambda_1(e^t-1)}, \quad M_{X_2}(t) = e^{\lambda_2(e^t-1)}$$

$$\text{So } M_{X_1+X_2}(t) = e^{(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)(e^t-1)}$$

$$\text{i.e. } X_1+X_2 \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)$$

<3> Proof: Given  $P(X_0=x_0) = \alpha_0 e^{-\frac{(x_0-\mu_0)^2}{2\sigma_0^2}}$   
 ~~$P(X_1=x_1)$~~   $P(X_1=x_1 | X_0=x_0) = \alpha e^{-\frac{(x_1-x_0)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}}$   
 $P(X_1=x_1) = \alpha_1 e^{-\frac{(x_1-\mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}}$

$$\text{So } \alpha_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_0}, \quad \alpha_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1}, \quad \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1\sqrt{1-\rho^2}}$$

$$-\frac{(x_1-x_0)^2}{2\sigma_1^2} = -\frac{(x_1-\mu_1 - \rho\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_0}(x_0-\mu_0))^2}{2\sigma_1^2(1-\rho^2)}$$

$$\text{So } \mu_1=0, \mu_0=0, \rho = \frac{\sigma_0}{\sigma_1}, \sigma^2 = \sigma_1^2(1 - \frac{\sigma_0^2}{\sigma_1^2}) = \sigma_1^2 - \sigma_0^2$$

Thus in terms of  $\alpha_0, \alpha, \mu_0, \sigma_0, \sigma$ ,

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \sqrt{\sigma^2 - \sigma_0^2}}, \quad \mu_1=0, \quad \sigma_1 = \sqrt{\sigma^2 - \sigma_0^2}$$

<4> Solve  $\det(A - \lambda I) = (13-\lambda)(4-\lambda) - 10 = 0$ ,

$$\lambda_1 = 3, \quad \lambda_2 = 14$$

①  $\lambda_1 = 3$ :  $A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , the <sup>eigen-vector</sup> null-space of it is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

②  $\lambda_2 = 14$ :  $A - \lambda I = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 5 \\ 2 & -10 \end{pmatrix}$ , the <sup>eigen-vector</sup> null-space of it is  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

<5> ①  $(A+B)^2 \neq A^2 + 2AB + B^2$ :

For  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$$(A+B)^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 32 \\ 0 & 25 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ while } A^2 + 2AB + B^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 7 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 18 \\ 0 & 16 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 34 \\ 0 & 25 \end{pmatrix}$$

So  $(A+B)^2 \neq A^2 + 2AB + B^2$

②  $AB=0$ ,  $A \neq 0$ ,  $B \neq 0$

For  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$AB=0$ , but  $A \neq 0$ ,  $B \neq 0$

<6> Proof:  $A^T A = (I - 2uu^T)(I - 2uu^T) = I - 4uu^T + 4uu^T uu^T = I - 4uu^T + 4uu^T = I$

<7> ①  $f(x) = x^3, x \geq 0$ :

Since  $f''(x) = 6x \geq 0$  for all  $x \geq 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is convex on  $[0, +\infty)$

②  $f(x_1, x_2) = \max(x_1, x_2)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :

For  $\forall (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} f(\lambda(x_1, x_2) + (1-\lambda)(y_1, y_2)) &= f(\lambda x_1 + (1-\lambda)y_1, \lambda x_2 + (1-\lambda)y_2) \\ &\leq \max(\lambda x_1, \lambda x_2) + \max((1-\lambda)y_1, (1-\lambda)y_2) \\ &= \lambda \max(x_1, x_2) + (1-\lambda) \max(y_1, y_2) \end{aligned}$$

So  $\max(x_1, x_2)$  is convex on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

③  $\forall x, y \in S$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} (f+g)(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) &\leq \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y) + \lambda g(x) + (1-\lambda)g(y) \\ &= \lambda(f+g)(x) + (1-\lambda)(f+g)(y). \end{aligned}$$

So  $f+g$  is convex.

~~④ For  $\forall x, y \in S, \lambda \in [0, 1]$~~

$$\langle f, g \rangle (\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) = f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \cdot g(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y)$$

$$\textcircled{4} (fg)''(x) = (f'g + fg')'(x)$$

$$= (f''g + fg'' + 2f'g')(x)$$

Notice that  $f''g(x) \geq 0$  and  $fg''(x) \geq 0$  because  $f'', g'', f, g \geq 0$ .

Moreover,  $f'$  and  $g'$  always have the same sign, so  $f'g'(x) \geq 0$ .

Thus  $(fg)''(x) \geq 0$  for  $\forall x \in S$ .

< 8 > Proof: Constraint:  $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i = 1$  ( $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i - 1 = 0$ )

$$L = -\sum_{i=1}^k p_i \log p_i + \lambda \left( \sum_{i=1}^k p_i - 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial p_i} = -\log p_i - 1 + \lambda = 0$$

$$\text{Thus } p_1 = \dots = p_k = \frac{1}{k}$$

2. <1>  $J(\theta) = (X\theta - y)^T W (X\theta - y)$ ,

where  ~~$W$  is diagonal and~~

where for any element  $a_{ij}$  on  $W$ ,

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} w^{(i)} & , i=j \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

<2>  $J(\theta) = (X\theta - y)^T (X\theta - y)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\theta^T X^T X \theta - y^T X \theta - \overbrace{X^T y}^{\theta^T X^T y} + y^T y) \\ &= 2X^T X \theta - 2X^T y = 0 \iff X^T X \theta = X^T y \end{aligned}$$

so the value of  $\theta$  that minimizes  $J(\theta)$  is  $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$ .

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so the value of  $\theta$  that minimizes  $J(\theta)$  is  $(X^T W X)^{-1} X^T W y$ .

<3> Gradient descent:  $\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (X^T X \theta - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$

It's a non-parametric method.

3. <1> The ~~best~~ solution to Linear Regression model is:

$$\theta^* = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T (X\theta + \varepsilon) = \theta + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \varepsilon$$

so  $E[\theta^*] = \theta + E[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T \varepsilon] = \theta$ , since  $E(\varepsilon) = 0$ .

<2>  $\text{Var}[\theta^*] = E[(\theta^* - \theta)(\theta^* - \theta)^T]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= E[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T \varepsilon \varepsilon^T X (X^T X)^{-1}] \\ &= E(\varepsilon \varepsilon^T) (X^T X)^{-1} X^T X (X^T X)^{-1} \\ &= \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Part 1:

Problem 3.1.A3:

Predict value for lower status percentage of 5%:

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pred_cost = linear_reg.predict(np.array([[1,5]])) * 10000
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And we get the result:

For lower status percentage = 5, we predict a median home value of [298034.49412207]

Predict values for lower status percentage of 50%:

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pred_cost = linear_reg.predict(np.array([[1,50]])) * 10000
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And we get the result:

For lower status percentage = 50, we predict a median home value of [-129482.12889799]

Problem 3.1.B5:

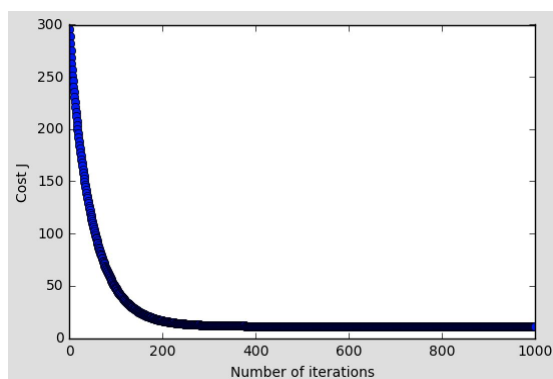


fig1 alpha = 0.01

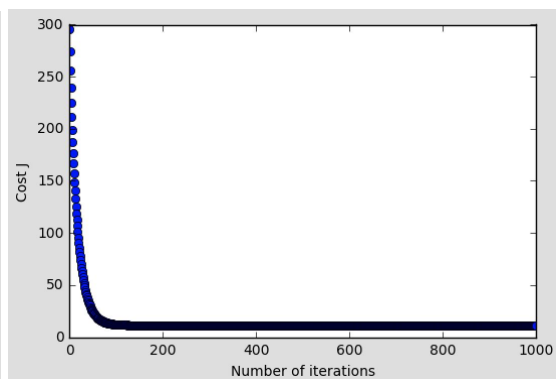


fig2 alpha = 0.03

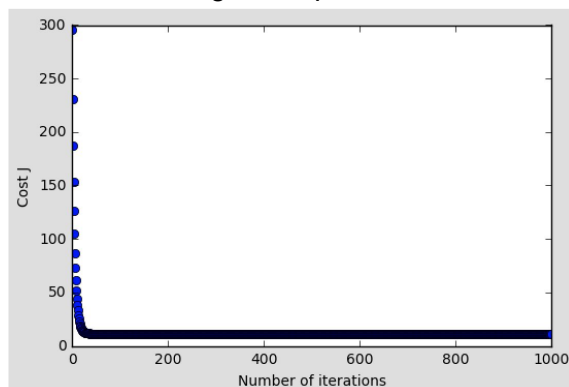


fig3 alpha = 0.1

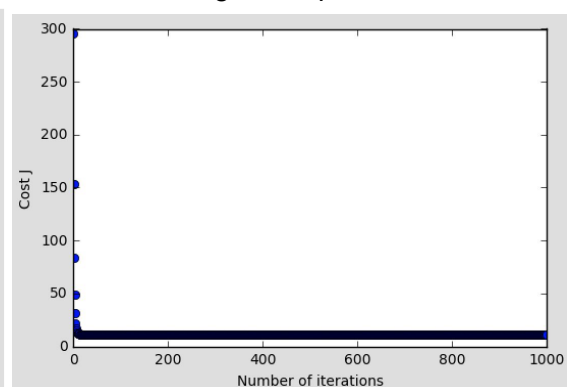


fig4 alpha = 0.3

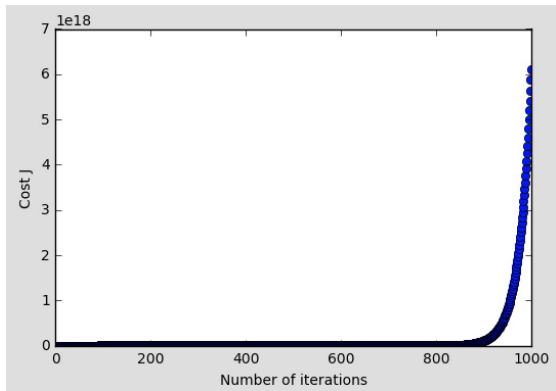


fig5  $\alpha = 0.33$

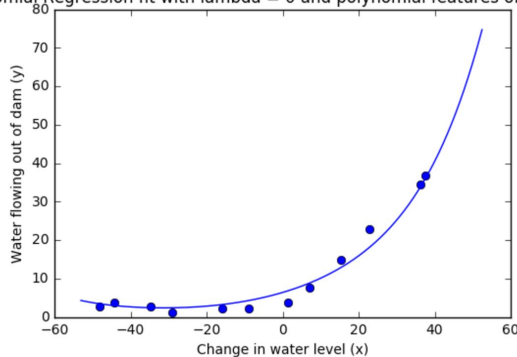
When  $\alpha$  (learning rate) is at a certain low range, increasing the  $\alpha$  value will significantly speed up the convergence rate. However, when  $\alpha$  is larger than a certain value, the loss value is not converging anymore, it diverges instead. In this specific problem, we notice that the best  $\alpha$  value should end up with around 0.3.

part2:

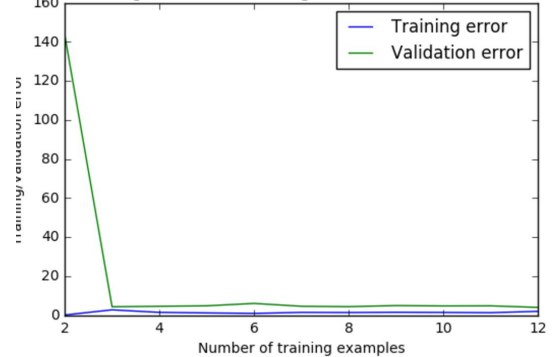
#### A4: Adjusting the regularization parameter

1)  $\lambda = 1$

Polynomial Regression fit with  $\lambda = 0$  and polynomial features of degree = 6

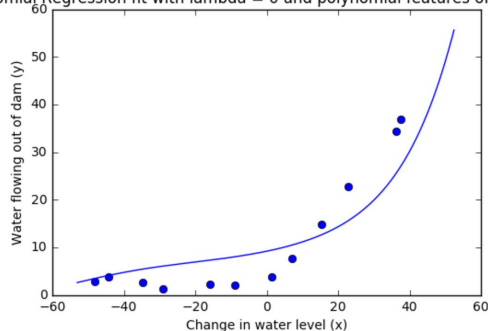


Learning curve for linear regression with  $\lambda = 1.0$

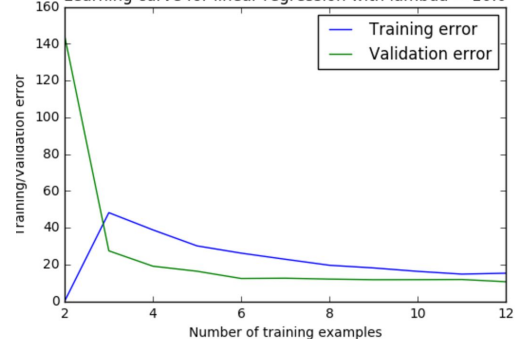


2)  $\lambda = 10$

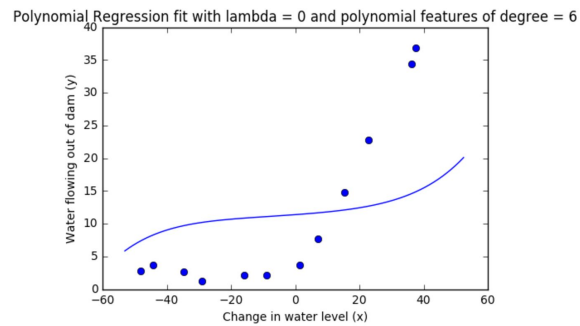
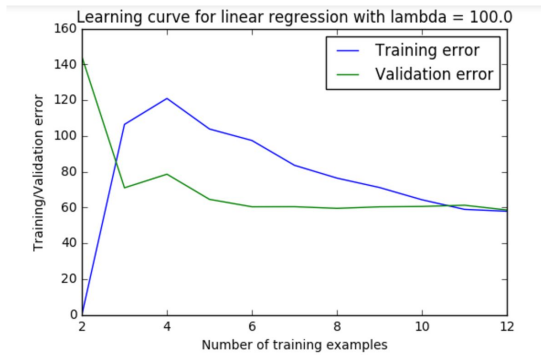
Polynomial Regression fit with  $\lambda = 0$  and polynomial features of degree = 6



Learning curve for linear regression with  $\lambda = 10.0$

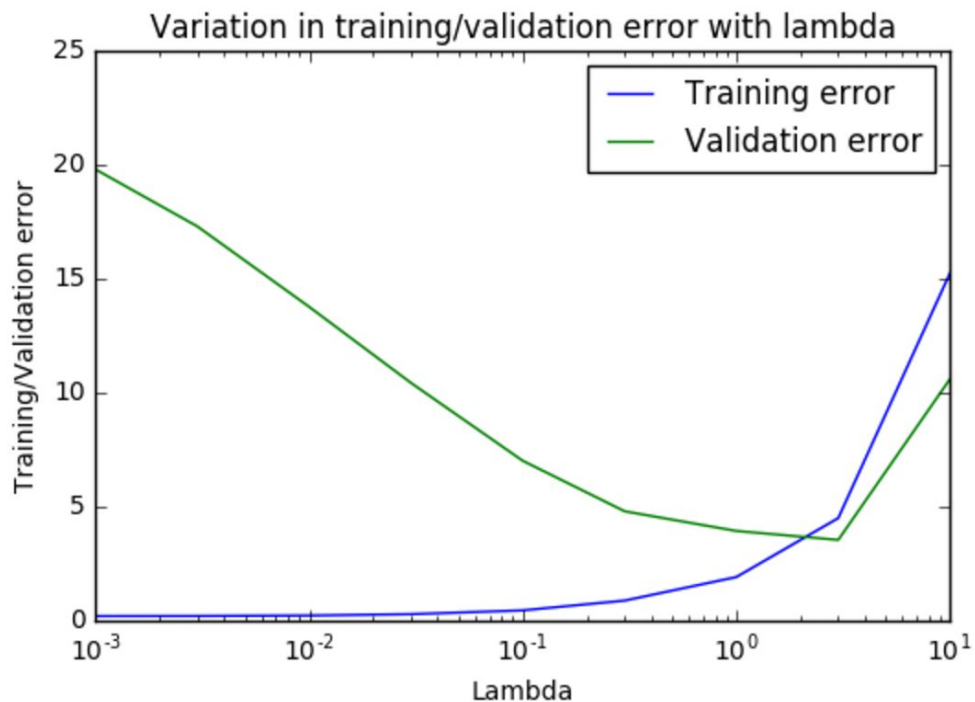


3)  $\lambda = 100$



**Conclusion:** As we can see above, when lambda equal to 1, we have best polynomial regression fit and learning curve.

#### A5: Selecting lambda using a validation set



**Conclusion:** Due to randomness, the cross validation error can sometimes be lower than the training error. Therefore, when lambda equal to 3 we have best choice for this problem.

#### A6: Computing test set error

The error of the best model that we found is shown below:

lambda= 1

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Optimization terminated successfully.
Current function value: 6.891076
Iterations: 21
Function evaluations: 22
Gradient evaluations: 22
3.09874826556
  
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$\lambda = 3$

Optimization terminated successfully.

Current function value: 15.237513

Iterations: 15

Function evaluations: 16

Gradient evaluations: 16

4.39762337668