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# GRADIENT DESCENT ALGORITHM

# Optimization

Finding best a and b is an optimization problem.

From now on, we will use  $\mathbf{w}$  instead of a to represent slope. Our linear model is  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{X}} + \mathbf{b}_{\mathbf{k}}$ ,

Our goal is to estimate w (slope) and b that minimizes the Cost Function (MSE) given a particular data set (x and y)

Let's assume that it's linear model and we have a data set as follows.

What is optimal w and b? Can you guess?

Yes! Intuitively, we should be able to guess the answer.

w = 1 and b = 1

(if you could not guess that w and b should both be 1, try to picture the points on a graph in your mind. As x increases by 1, we can see that y increases by 1 as well so that tells us the slope of the graph. We then know can remember that in our high-school math class to find b, we simply put 0 into x and see what the result is, in this case when x = 0, y = 1 as expected)

But please let's assume we don't know the answer.

x	У
1.0	2.0
2.0	3.0
3.0	4.0

# Example

X	У
1.0	2.0
2.0	3.0
3.0	4.0
1.0 2.0 3.0	2.0 3.0 4.0

- **To find optimal** w and b, the first step is to set w and b as 0 (zero).
- Then, estimate w first. (we don't change the value of b)
- We just calculate the cost (MSE) when w is 0, 1, 2. It is like a simple searching with different values.
- ▶ w = 0, b = 0

- ► Cost =  $((1*0+0-2)^2 + (2*0+0-3)^2 + (3*0+0-4)^2) / 3 = 9.67$
- ▶ w = 1, b = 0
  - Cost =  $((1*1+0-2)^2 + (2*1-3)^2 + (3*1-4)^2) / 3 = 1$
- ▶ w = 2, b = 0
  - Cost =  $((1*2+0-2)^2 + (2*2-3)^2 + (3*2-4)^2) / 3 = 1.67$



**Cost function** of w (given the data and b = 0)



The y-axis represents the error, and the x-axis represents w. The point with the smallest error is the lowermost convex part of the graph. That is, when w is 1, the error is the smallest. However, **since we assume we do not know the answer**, to find the optimal w, we need to calculate the error for a random point  $w_1$  and move w to the side where the error decreases. In other words, the error is smaller for  $w_2$  than for  $w_1$ . The error is smaller for  $w_3$  than for  $w_2$ .

Gradient descent is a method to find w with the smallest error by comparing errors in this way.



#### Gradient Descent Algorithm

- Step1: Initialize to 0
- Step2: update w and b that reduce cost function
- ► Use a gradient of cost function
- Step3: if w and b converge, stop step2. Otherwise, repeat step2
- ► New w

 $w' := w - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial w} Cost(w, b)$ 

Is "Learning Rate"



#### Little modification

For optimization, these two cost functions will have same w and b to minimize each cost function

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$$\min_{w} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (wx_i + b - y_i)^2$$

$$\prod_{w} \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (wx_i + b - y_i)^2$$



# Partial Differential

$$w' := w - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial w} Cost(w, b)$$

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$$w' := w - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (wx_i + b - y_i) 2x_i$$

$$w' := w - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (wx_i + b - y_i) x_i \quad \leftarrow \text{Update Rule}$$

#### Partial Differential

$$egin{aligned} b' &= b + lpha \cdot rac{b}{\partial b} Cost(w,b) \ b' &= b + lpha \cdot rac{b}{\partial b} rac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (w x_i + b - y_i)^2 \ b' &= b + lpha \cdot rac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (w x_i + b - y_i) \end{aligned}$$

#### Gradient Descent Algorithm

$$w' := w - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (wx_i + b - y_i) x_i$$

 $b' = b + lpha \cdot rac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (w x_i + b - y_i)$ 

#### Convex Function



```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
 data = np.array([[2, 81], [4, 93], [6, 91], [8, 97]])
 x = data[:, 0]
 y = data[:, 1]
 # initialization
 w, b = 0, 0
 # learning rate
 alpha = 0.05
 plt.scatter(x, y)
 xl = np.linspace(0, 10, 100)
 # GD
for i in range(2000):
     w = w - alpha * (1/len(data)) * sum((w * x + b - y) * x)
     b = b - alpha * (1/len(data)) * sum((w * x + b - y))
 print("w = %f, b = %f" % (w, b))
 plt.plot(xl, w * xl + b)
 plt.show()
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# Lab 9 - Gradient Descent Algorithm

- Write a program that estimates **optimal** w and b by implementing GD algorithm given a data below. (Hint: GD algorithm)
- Answer is about w = 2.x and b = 1.x.

X	У
2.3	6.13
1.2	4.71
4.3	11.13
5.7	14.29
3.5	9.54
8.9	22.43



Today, we have talked about how to optimize parameters (w and b) given a linear model that has only a single independent variable (x).

What if there are multiple variables?

For example,  $y = w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3 + b$ 

Next time, we are going to talk about how to estimate the parameters given a multivariable linear model.