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Introduction to Machine Learning

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LOGISTIC REGRESSION FROM TEXT

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- Thus, break the update into two steps:

- $\beta'_j = \beta''_j \cdot (1 - 2\lambda \mu)$
- $\beta_j = \beta'_j + \lambda (y - \pi_i) x_j$

Revised Algorithm

1. Initialize a vector β to be all zeros
2. Initialize a vector A to be all zeros
3. For $t = 1, \dots, T$
 - For each example \vec{x}_i, y_i and feature j :
 - Simulate regularization updates: $\beta[j] = \beta[j] \cdot (1 - 2\lambda\mu)^{k-A[j]-1}$
 - Compute $\pi_i \equiv \Pr(y_i = 1 | \vec{x}_i)$
 - Set $\beta[j] = (\beta[j] + \lambda(y_i - \pi_i)x_i)(1 - 2\lambda\mu)$
 - Keep track of last update for feature $A[j] = k$
4. For each parameter, catch up on missing updates
$$\beta[j] = \beta[j] \cdot (1 - 2\lambda\mu)^{T-A[j]}$$
5. Output the parameters β_1, \dots, β_d .