



Model #2: Multinomial logistic regression ✓

recall $\sigma(t) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-t}} = \frac{e^t}{e^t+1}$

- **Multinomial** logistic regression, also known as **softmax regression**, models the probability of belonging to **any class**, given a feature vector $\vec{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{784}$.
Think of it as a generalization of logistic regression.

Logistic regression: one parameter vector, \vec{w}

$$P(y_i = 1 | \vec{x}_i) = \sigma(\underbrace{\vec{w}}_{\text{param}} \cdot \underbrace{\text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)}_{\text{feature vec}}) = \frac{e^{\vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)}}{e^{\vec{w} \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)} + 1}$$

Multinomial log reg: 10 parameter vectors, one per class $\vec{w}_0, \vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_q$

prob that it's a 3

$$P(y_i = 3 | \vec{x}_i) = \frac{e^{\vec{w}_3 \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)}}{e^{\vec{w}_0 \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)} + e^{\vec{w}_1 \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)} + \dots + e^{\vec{w}_q \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)}}$$

one image

denominator NORMALIZES so $\sum p_i = 1$



Let p_j represent the modelled probability of class j , given a feature vector. Note that $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$.

Then, for instance:

$$p_0 = P(y_i = 0 | \vec{x}_i) = \frac{e^{\vec{w}_0 \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^9 p_j}$$

wrong! should be
 $\sum_{j=0}^9 e^{\vec{w}_j \cdot \text{Aug}(\vec{x}_i)}$





- The **softmax** function is a generalization of the logistic function to multiple dimensions. Suppose $\vec{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Then, the softmax of \vec{z} is defined element-wise as follows:

$$\sigma(\vec{z})_i = \frac{e^{z_i}}{\sum_{j=1}^d e^{z_j}}$$

- For example, suppose $\vec{z} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$. Then:

$$\sigma(\vec{z}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma(\vec{z})_1 \\ \sigma(\vec{z})_2 \\ \sigma(\vec{z})_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{e^{-5}}{e^{-5} + e^2 + e^4} \\ \frac{e^2}{e^{-5} + e^2 + e^4} \\ \frac{e^4}{e^{-5} + e^2 + e^4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0001 \\ 0.1192 \\ 0.8807 \end{bmatrix}$$

note the constant denominator!

$[-5, 2, 4]$
 argmax = 2
 $[0, 0, 1]$
 biggest
 $[0.0001, 0.1192, 0.8807]$

largest prob, corresponds to the largest input

