# Softmax Regression in Gluon

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In [1]: %matplotlib inline
    import d21
    from mxnet import gluon, init
    from mxnet.gluon import nn
In [2]: batch_size = 256
    train_iter, test_iter = d21.load_data_fashion_mnist(batch_size)
```

#### **Initialize Model Parameters**

The output layer of softmax regression is a fully connected layer. We initialize the weights at random with zero mean and standard deviation 0.01.

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In [3]: net = nn.Sequential()
   net.add(nn.Dense(10))
   net.initialize(init.Normal(sigma=0.01))
```

#### The Softmax

$$\log\left(\hat{y}_{j}\right) = \log\left(\frac{e^{z_{j}}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} e^{z_{i}}}\right) = z_{j} - \log\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} e^{z_{i}}\right)$$

We make our life easier by using the log of the softmax as follows.

```
In [4]: loss = gluon.loss.SoftmaxCrossEntropyLoss()
```

## **Optimization Algorithm**

We use SGD with a learning rate of 0.1, just as in linear regression.

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In [5]: trainer = gluon.Trainer(net.collect_params(), 'sgd', {'learning_rate': 0.1})
```

### **Training**

Next, we use the training functions defined in the last section to train a model.