

Linear Regression

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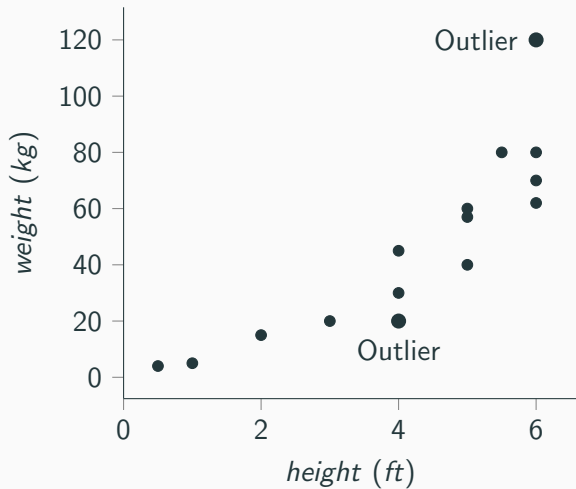
Task at hand

- TASK: Predict $\text{Weight} = f(\text{height})$

Height	Weight
3	29
4	35
5	39
2	20
6	41
7	?
8	?
1	?

The first part of the dataset are the training points. The latter ones are testing points.

Scatter Plot



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$$\text{Demand} = \text{Base Demand} + K_1 * \# \text{ occupants} + K_2 * \text{Temperature}$$

We hope to:

- Learn f : $Demand = f(\#occupants, Temperature)$
- From training dataset
- To predict the condition for the testing set

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- Base demand is independent of the temperature and the # occupants, but, likely positive, thus θ_0 is likely positive.

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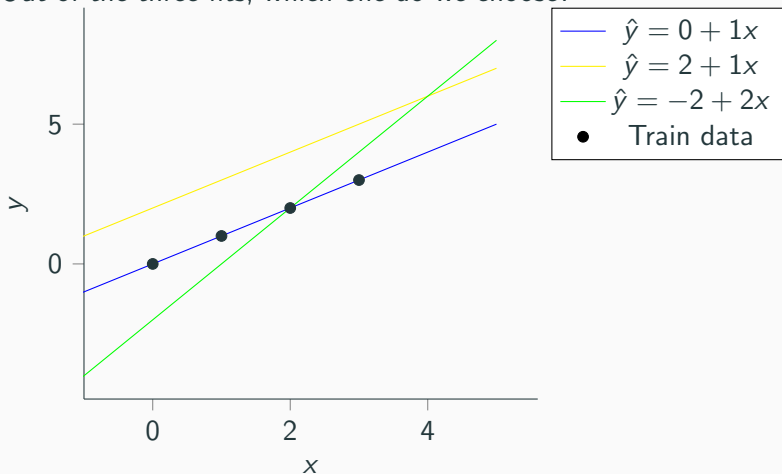
$$\hat{Y} = X\theta$$

Relationships between feature and target variables

- There could be different $\theta_0, \theta_1 \dots \theta_M$. Each of them can represents a relationship.
- Given multiples values of $\theta_0, \theta_1 \dots \theta_M$ how to choose which is the best?
- Let us consider an example in 2d

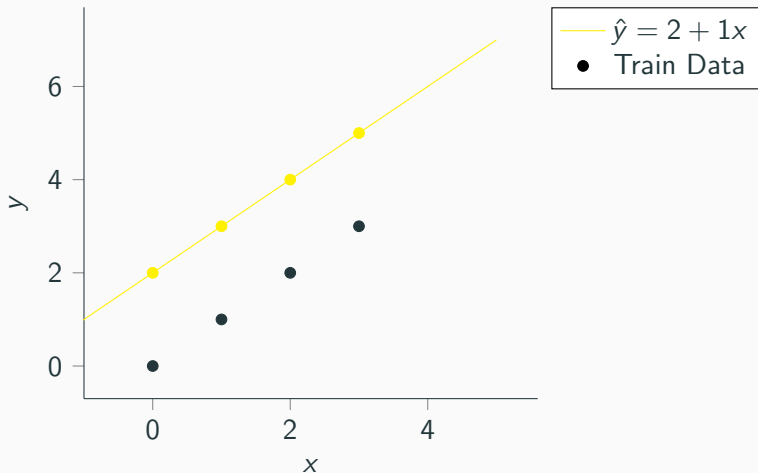
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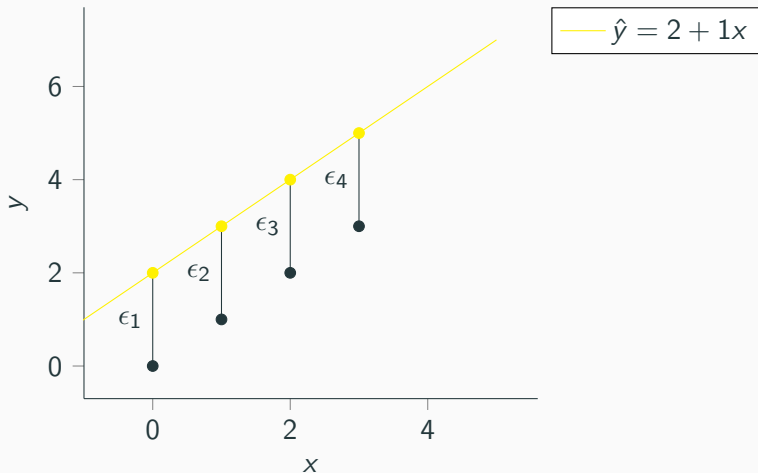
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We have $\hat{y} = 2 + 1x$ as one relationship.



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How far is our estimated \hat{y} from ground truth y ?



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Derivation of Normal Equation

$$\epsilon = y - X\theta$$

$$\epsilon^T = (y - X\theta)^T = y^T - \theta^T X^T$$

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon^T \epsilon &= (y^T - \theta^T X^T)(y - X\theta) \\ &= y^T y - \theta^T X^T y - y^T X\theta + \theta^T X^T X\theta \\ &= y^T y - 2y^T X\theta + \theta^T X^T X\theta\end{aligned}$$

This is what we wish to minimize

Minimizing the objective function

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon^T \epsilon}{\partial \theta} = 0 \quad (1)$$

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} y^T y = 0$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (-2y^T X \theta) = (-2y^T X)^T = -2X^T y$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\theta^T X^T X \theta) = 2X^T X \theta$

Substitute the values in the top equation

Normal Equation derivation

$$0 = -2X^T y + 2X^T X \theta$$

$$X^T y = X^T X \theta$$

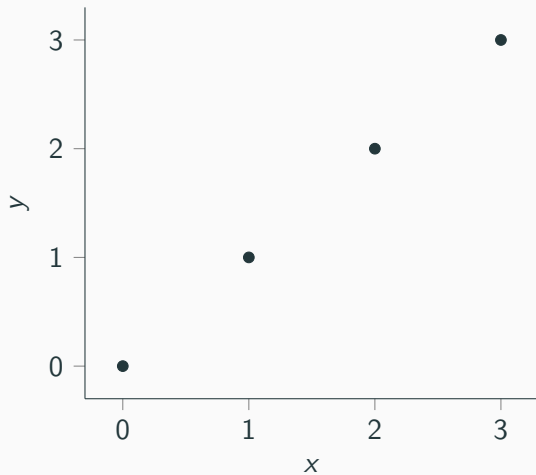
$$\hat{\theta}_{OLS} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

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x	y
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2	2
3	3

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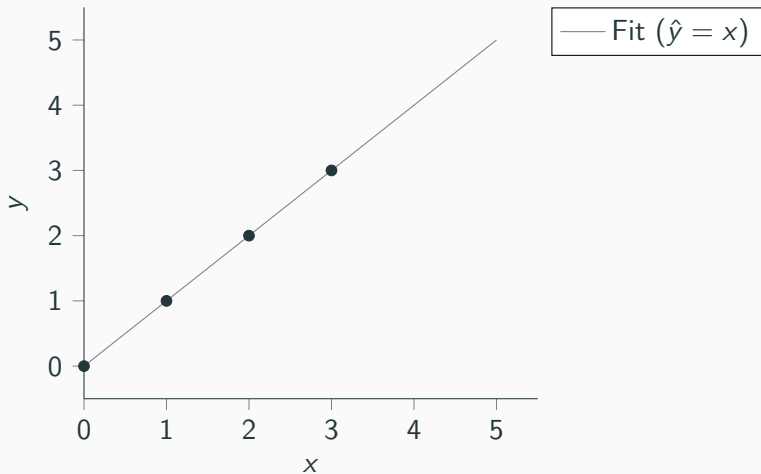
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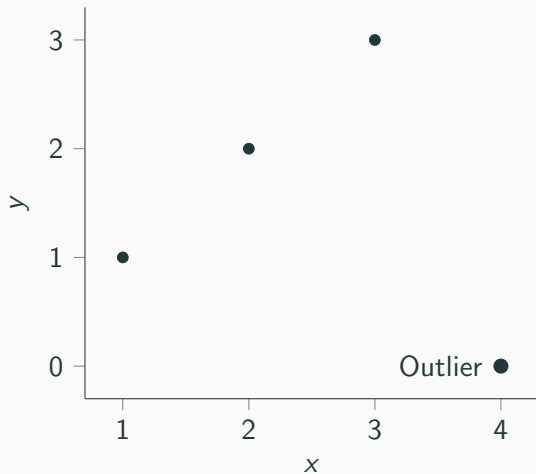


Effect of outlier

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3	3
4	0

Compute the θ_0 and θ_1 .

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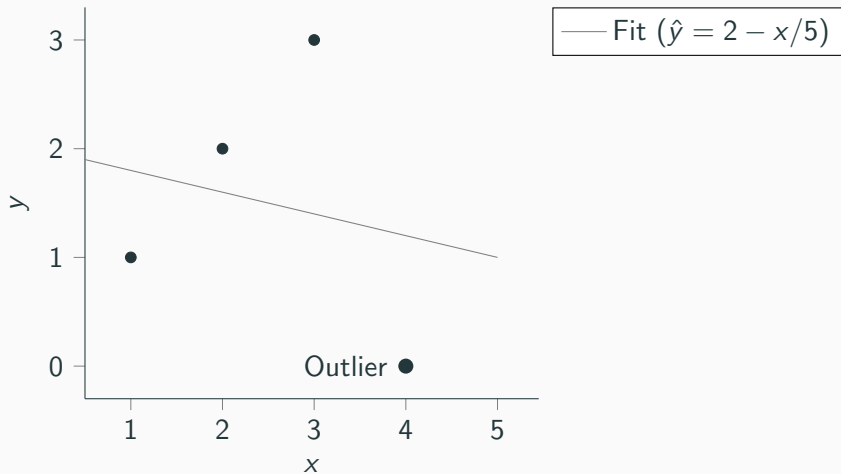
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Basis Expansion

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Transform the data, by including the higher power terms in the feature space.

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Basis Functions

- Linear regression only refers to linear in the parameters
- We can perform an arbitrary nonlinear transformation $\phi(x)$ of the inputs x and then linearly combine the components of this transformation.
- $\phi : \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^K$ is called the basis function

Some examples of basis functions:

- Polynomial basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots\}$
- Fourier basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, \sin(x), \cos(x), \sin(2x), \cos(2x), \dots\}$
- Gaussian basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu_1)^2}{2\sigma^2}), \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu_2)^2}{2\sigma^2}), \dots\}$
- Sigmoid basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, \sigma(x - \mu_1), \sigma(x - \mu_2), \dots\}$ where $\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$

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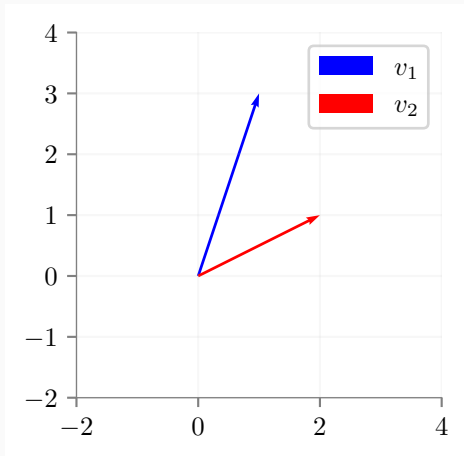
$$\{\alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \dots + \alpha_i v_i \mid \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

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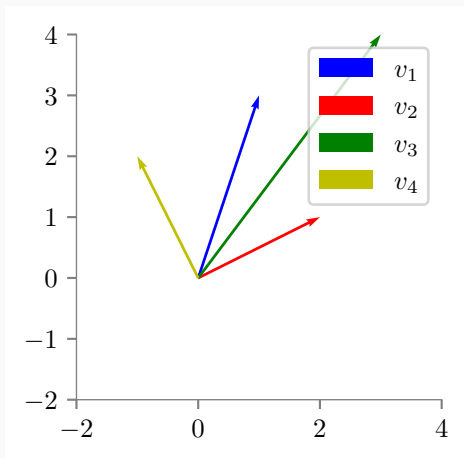
If we stack the vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i as columns of a matrix V , then the span of v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i is given as $V\alpha$ where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^i$

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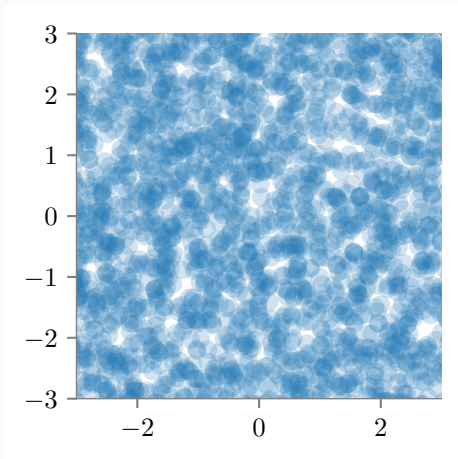


We have $v_3 = v_1 + v_2$

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Simulating the above example in python using different values of α_1 and α_2



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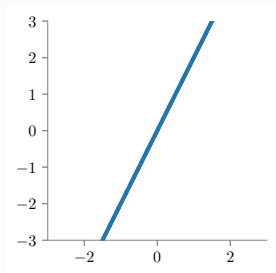
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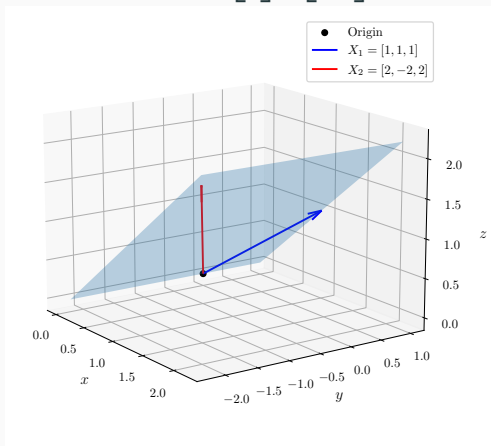


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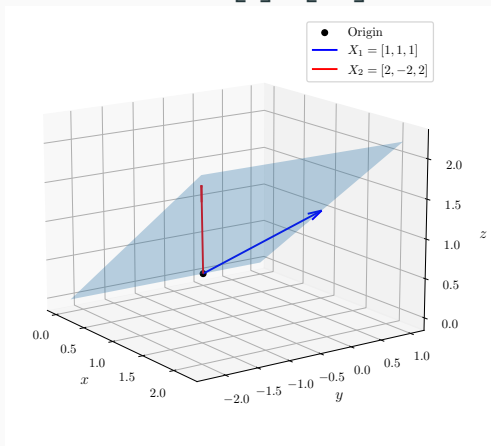
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The span is the plane $z = x$ or $x_3 = x_1$

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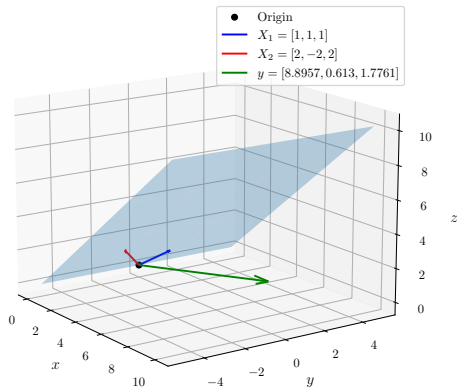
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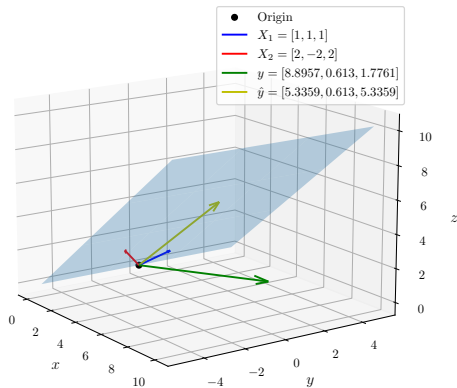
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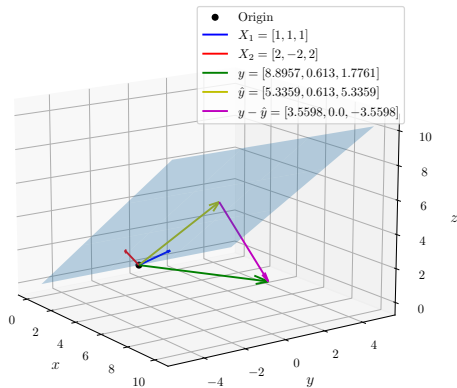


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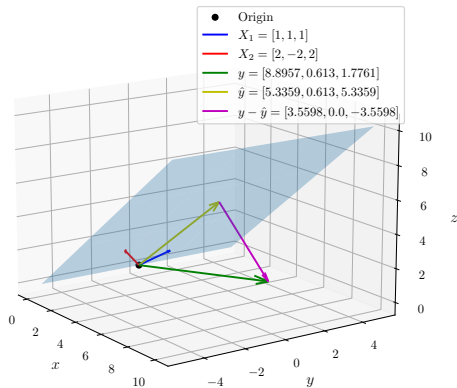
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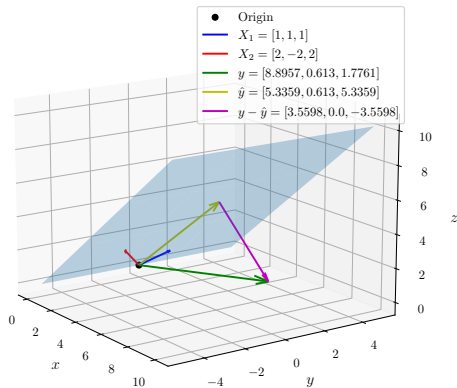
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