
3

Linear Regression
Least Squares Method
Simple model evaluation

Linear regression, polynomials

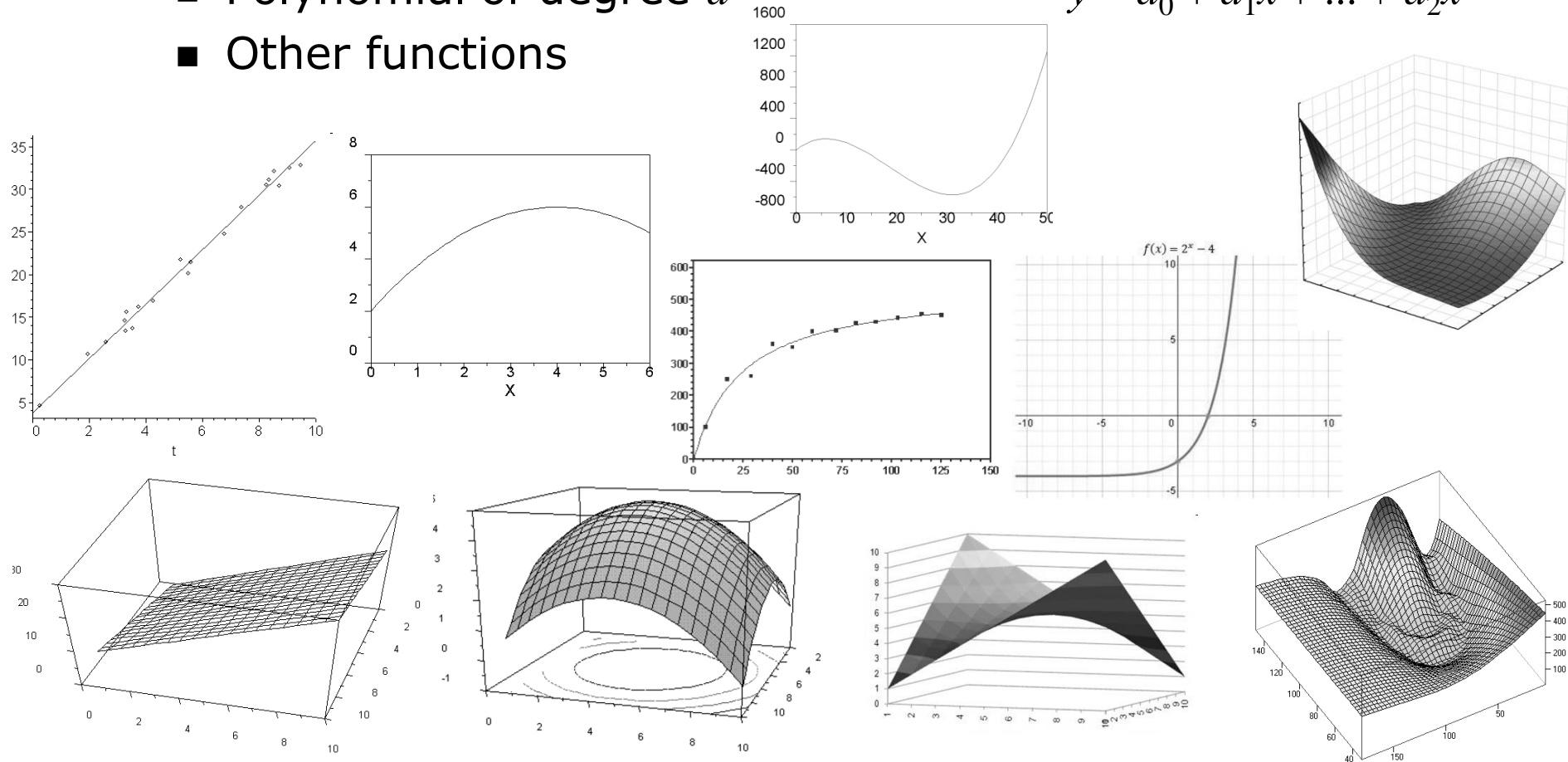
❑ Linear regression works not only with a line/plane:

■ 1st degree polynomial (straight line) $\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x$

■ 2nd degree polynomial (parabola) $\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$

■ Polynomial of degree d $\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_dx^d$

■ Other functions

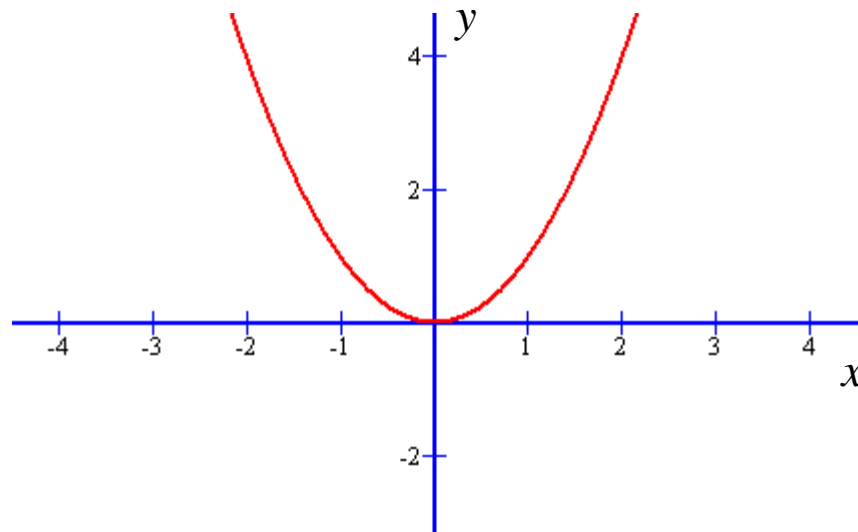


Quadratic polynomial ($d = 2$)

□ Equation for parabola

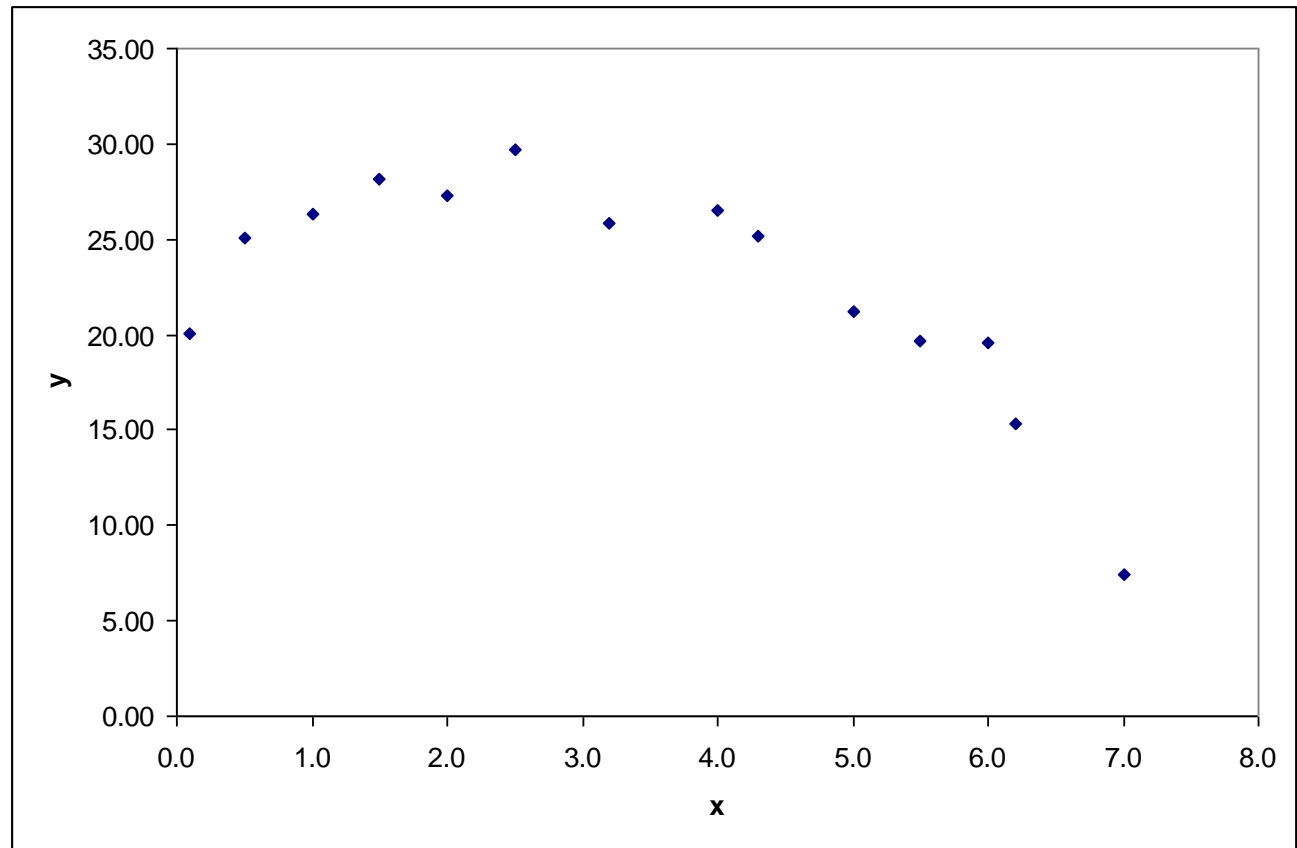
$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

- when $a_2 \rightarrow 0$, shape of parabola approaches straight line



Dataset

x	y
<i>Marketing expenses</i>	<i>Profit</i>
2.0	27.33
1.5	28.20
4.0	26.54
5.0	21.24
1.0	26.35
3.2	25.88
6.0	19.62
2.5	29.69
0.5	25.10
4.3	25.14
7.0	7.41
0.1	20.10
5.5	19.63
6.2	15.36



$$n = 14$$

$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$a_0 = ?$$

$$a_1 = ?$$

$$a_2 = ?$$

The same RSS criterion

- We minimize *Residual Sum of Squares (RSS)*

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (l_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \rightarrow \min$$

$$l_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$$

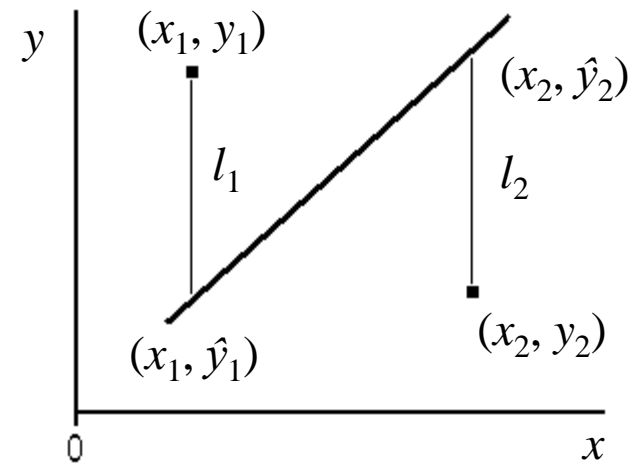
- Find parameters

$$a_0 = ?$$

$$a_1 = ?$$

$$a_2 = ?$$

$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$



- Solve in the same way as for the straight line in the previous lecture
-

Least Squares Method

Model	Criterion	Data
$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$	$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (l_i)^2 \rightarrow \min$	

x	y
2.0	27.33
1.5	28.20
4.0	26.54
5.0	21.24
1.0	26.35
3.2	25.88
6.0	19.62
2.5	29.69
0.5	25.10
4.3	25.14
7.0	7.41
0.1	20.10
5.5	19.63
6.2	15.36

□ Replace l_i with $(y_i - \hat{y}_i)$

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (l_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

□ Replace \hat{y}_i with our equation's left side

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_i - a_2x_i^2)^2$$

□ So we have to minimize this:

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_i - a_2x_i^2)^2 \rightarrow \min$$

$n = 14$

Partial derivatives

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1 x_i - a_2 x_i^2)^2 \rightarrow \min$$

- ▣ Partial derivatives for each parameter

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_0} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1 x_i - a_2 x_i^2)$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_1} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (y_i - a_0 - a_1 x_i - a_2 x_i^2)$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_2} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 (y_i - a_0 - a_1 x_i - a_2 x_i^2)$$

- ▣ We want it to be zero as there is the minimum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1 x_i - a_2 x_i^2) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i (y_i - a_0 - a_1 x_i - a_2 x_i^2) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 (y_i - a_0 - a_1 x_i - a_2 x_i^2) = 0$$

System of equations

- We get linear system of equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} na_0 + a_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + a_2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ a_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + a_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + a_2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \\ a_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + a_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3 + a_2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^4 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 y_i \end{array} \right.$$

x	y
2.0	27.33
1.5	28.20
4.0	26.54
5.0	21.24
1.0	26.35
3.2	25.88
6.0	19.62
2.5	29.69
0.5	25.10
4.3	25.14
7.0	7.41
0.1	20.10
5.5	19.63
6.2	15.36

$n = 14$

- Insert numbers from the table
 - Solve using, e.g., Gaussian elimination
-

Estimated parameters

Model

$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

Criterion

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (l_i)^2 \rightarrow \min$$

□ Parameters:

$$a_0 = 21.379$$

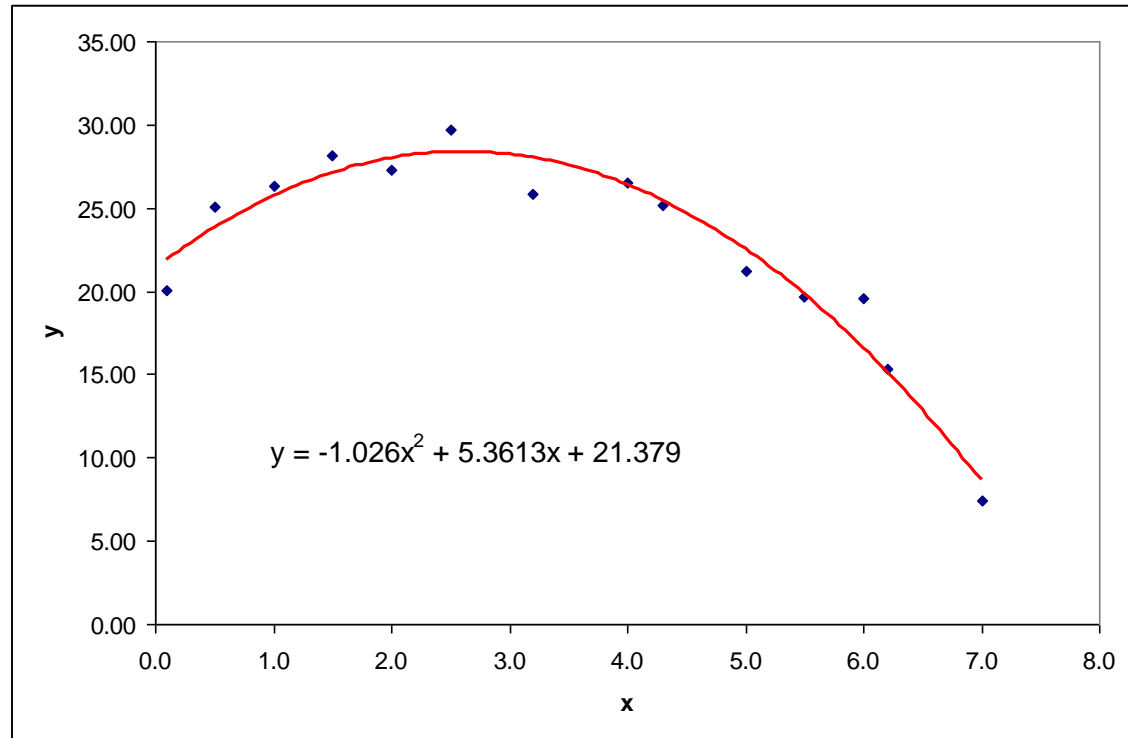
$$a_1 = 5.3613$$

$$a_2 = -1.026$$

□ Usage:

If $x = 3$ then

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y} &= 21.379 + 5.3613 \cdot 3 - 1.026 \cdot 9 = \\ &= 28.2\end{aligned}$$



Again: Linear model

- Any linear model can be written as a sum of features:

$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_mx_m \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{y} = a_0 + \sum_{j=1}^m a_jx_j$$

where x_j is j th feature, m is number of features, $k = m + 1$ is number of parameters. Or, by assuming $x_0 = 1$:

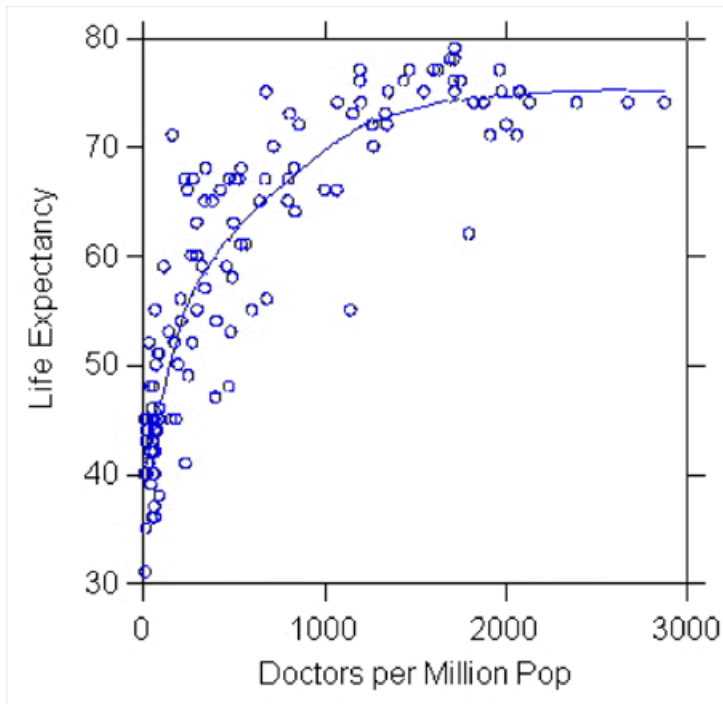
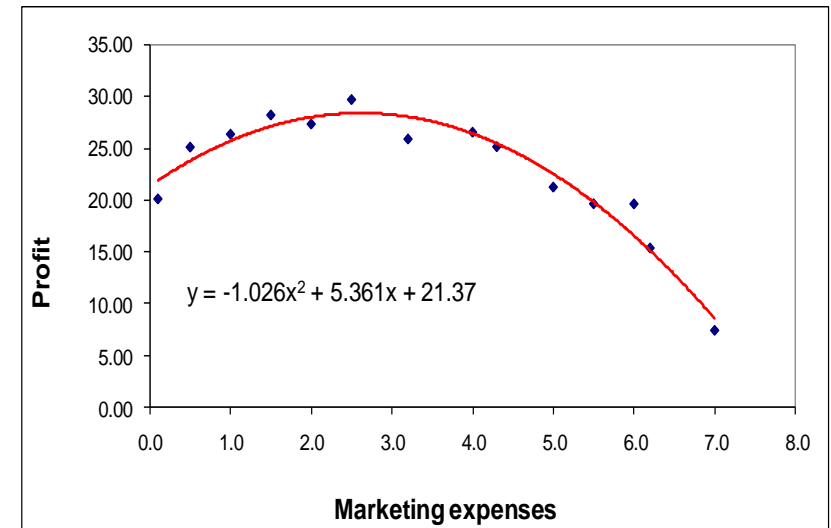
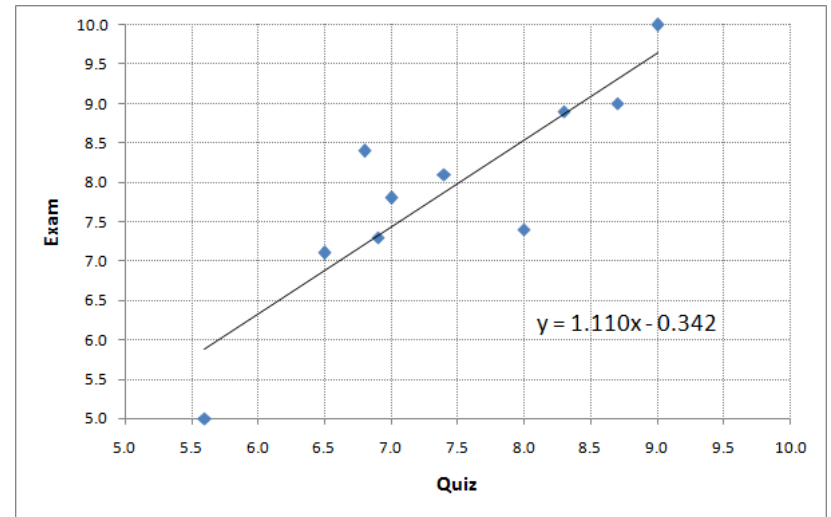
$$\hat{y} = a_0x_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_mx_m \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{y} = \sum_{j=0}^m a_jx_j$$

- But what if we need something more complex than just a sum of features?
 - This too can be achieved using linear regression
-

Feature transformation

❑ Why would we need to transform input variables?

- EUR^2
- $\log(\text{number_of_doctors})$
- ...



Feature transformation

- ❑ We can use our m features to make any needed feature transformations
 - *(even if we don't know which ones are needed – we will talk about that in another lecture)*

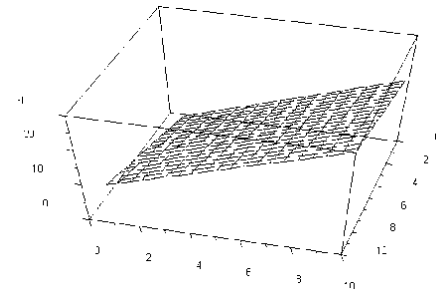
 - ❑ Simply “synthetically” increase the number of features using mathematical functions that transform our original features. For instance:
 - Power (create polynomials – this is the most often used type)
 - Log
 - Exp
 - Sin
 - Cos
 - Min
 - Max
 - etc.
-

Examples

- Model $\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_2$ can be written as:

$$\hat{y} = a_0 x_0 + a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2$$

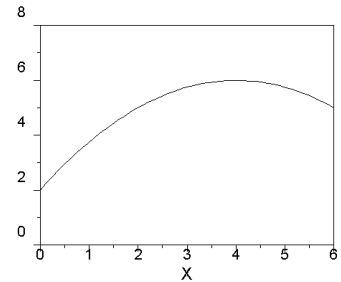
by defining: $x_0 = 1$



- Model $\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_1^2$ can be written as:

$$\hat{y} = a_0 x_0 + a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2$$

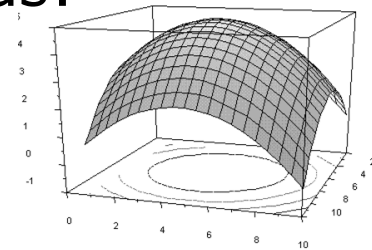
by defining: $x_0 = 1, x_2 = x_1^2$



- Model $\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_1^2 + a_4\log(x_2) + a_5x_1x_2$ as:

$$\hat{y} = a_0 x_0 + a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 x_3 + a_4 x_4 + a_5 x_5$$

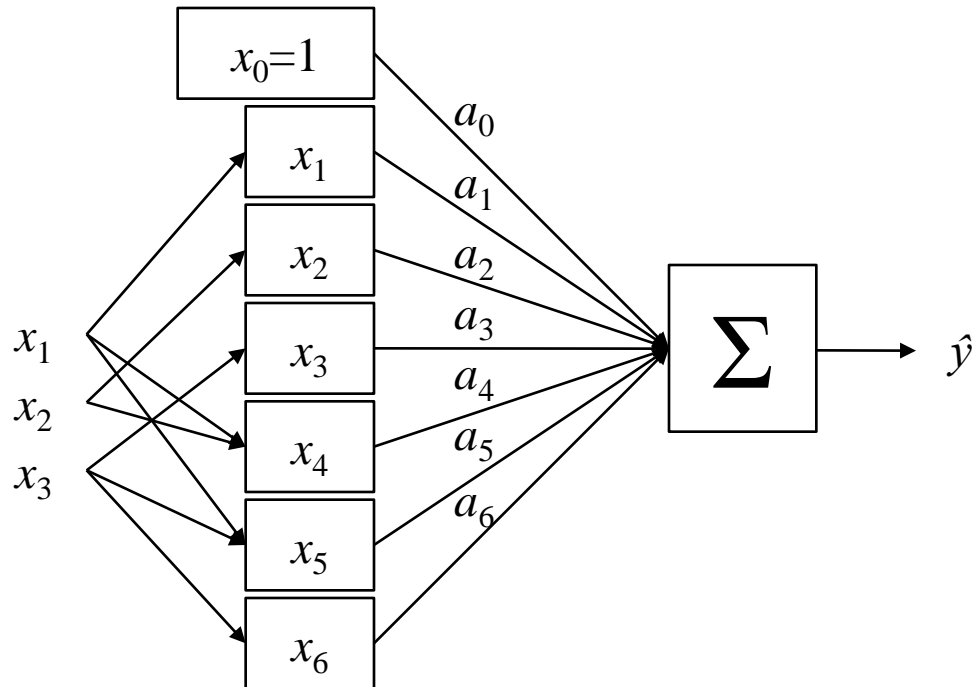
by defining: $x_0 = 1, x_3 = x_1^2, x_4 = \log(x_2), x_5 = x_1x_2$



- If such redefinition of a model is not possible, we are talking about a **non**-linear model, for example:

$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1 \sin(a_2 x_1) + x_2^{a_3}$$

Linear model



$$\hat{y} = \sum_{j=0}^m a_j x_j$$

$$\hat{y} = a_0 + a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 x_3 + a_4 x_1 x_2 + a_5 x_1 x_3 + a_6 x_3^2$$

$$\hat{y} = a_0 x_0 + a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 x_3 + a_4 x_4 + a_5 x_5 + a_6 x_6$$

Least Squares Method generalized

Model: $\hat{y} = a_0x_0 + a_1x_1 + \dots + a_mx_m$

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \rightarrow \min$$

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0x_{i0} - a_1x_{i1} - \dots - a_mx_{im})^2 \rightarrow \min$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_j} = (-2) \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (y_i - a_0x_{i0} - a_1x_{i1} - \dots - a_mx_{im}) \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, m$$

$$\begin{cases} a_0 \left(\sum x_{i0}x_{i0} \right) + a_1 \left(\sum x_{i1}x_{i0} \right) + \dots + a_m \left(\sum x_{im}x_{i0} \right) = \sum x_{i0}y_i \\ a_0 \left(\sum x_{i0}x_{i1} \right) + a_1 \left(\sum x_{i1}x_{i1} \right) + \dots + a_m \left(\sum x_{im}x_{i1} \right) = \sum x_{i1}y_i \\ \vdots \\ a_0 \left(\sum x_{i0}x_{im} \right) + a_1 \left(\sum x_{i1}x_{im} \right) + \dots + a_m \left(\sum x_{im}x_{im} \right) = \sum x_{im}y_i \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum x_{i0}x_{i0} & \sum x_{i1}x_{i0} & \cdots & \sum x_{im}x_{i0} \\ \sum x_{i0}x_{i1} & \sum x_{i1}x_{i1} & \cdots & \sum x_{im}x_{i1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum x_{i0}x_{im} & \sum x_{i1}x_{im} & \vdots & \sum x_{im}x_{im} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum x_{i0}y_i \\ \sum x_{i1}y_i \\ \vdots \\ \sum x_{im}y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

← System of equations to solve

Solving in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum x_{i0}x_{i0} & \sum x_{i1}x_{i0} & \cdots & \sum x_{im}x_{i0} \\ \sum x_{i0}x_{i1} & \sum x_{i1}x_{i1} & \cdots & \sum x_{im}x_{i1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum x_{i0}x_{im} & \sum x_{i1}x_{im} & \vdots & \sum x_{im}x_{im} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum x_{i0}y_i \\ \sum x_{i1}y_i \\ \vdots \\ \sum x_{im}y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

\uparrow $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}$
 \uparrow \mathbf{a}
 \uparrow $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y}$

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,0} & x_{1,1} & \cdots & x_{1,m} \\ x_{2,0} & x_{2,1} & \cdots & x_{2,m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n,0} & x_{n,1} & \cdots & x_{n,m} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

So we have this: $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y}$

And solution is this: $\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{y}$

Data

\mathbf{x}_0	\mathbf{x}_1	\mathbf{x}_2	\mathbf{y}
1	5.6	6.0	5.0
1	6.5	7.0	7.1
1	6.8	7.2	8.4
1	6.9	6.8	7.3
1	7.0	7.2	7.8
1	7.4	8.5	8.1
1	8.0	6.5	7.4
1	8.3	7.9	8.9
1	8.7	7.3	9.0
1	9.0	9.1	10.0

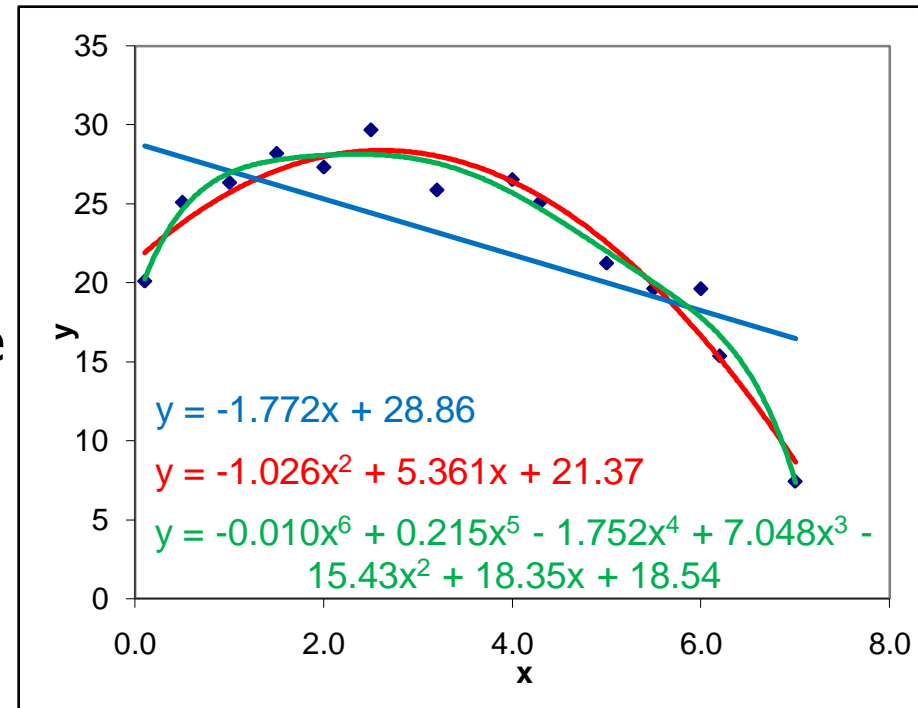
$\mathbf{x}_0=1$ is introduced to provide the a_0 parameter

Let's begin our next topic:

Model evaluation

Regression model evaluation criteria

- “Looks good”, but how exactly “good” is the model?
 - And if we have more than one model then which one should we choose?
- The simplest way – compute prediction error using the same training data



Sum of Absolute Error, SAE

$$SAE = \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|$$

Mean Absolute Error, MAE

$$MAE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|$$

Model evaluation criteria

Sum of Squared Error, SSE

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

Mean Squared Error, MSE

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

Root Mean Squared Error, RMSE

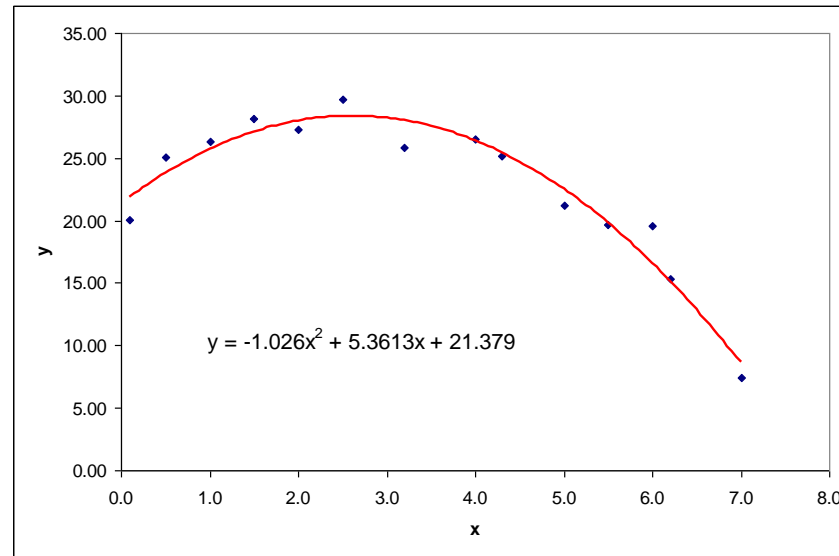
$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}$$

For our model:

$$SSE = 25.77$$

$$MSE = 25.77 / n = 1.84$$

$$RMSE = \sqrt{1.84} = 1.36$$



x	y
2.0	27.33
1.5	28.20
4.0	26.54
5.0	21.24
1.0	26.35
3.2	25.88
6.0	19.62
2.5	29.69
0.5	25.10
4.3	25.14
7.0	7.41
0.1	20.10
5.5	19.63
6.2	15.36

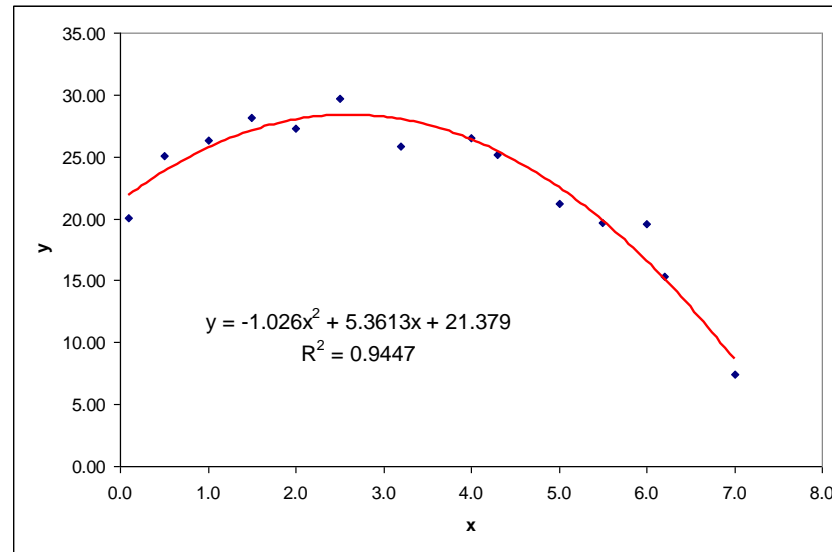
All these criteria depend on the units of y and their interpretation depends on what is y and on the specific problem at hand. They don't have universally consistent range.

Coefficient of determination, R^2

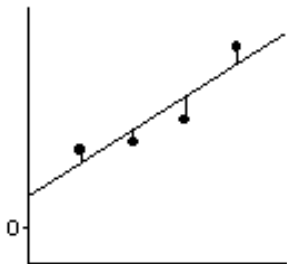
- R^2 is independent from data range – it normalizes the quadratic error rescaling it between 0 and 1

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSE}{SSE_{tot}}$$

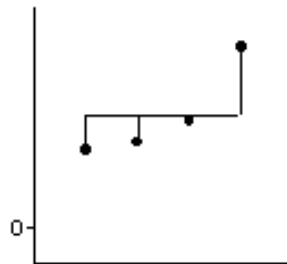
where SSE_{tot} is “total sum of squares” is variance of y around it's mean. So R^2 is 1 – ratio between variance that the model can't explain (SSE) and variance that exists in the data (SSE_{tot}).



x	y
2.0	27.33
1.5	28.20
4.0	26.54
5.0	21.24
1.0	26.35
3.2	25.88
6.0	19.62
2.5	29.69
0.5	25.10
4.3	25.14
7.0	7.41
0.1	20.10
5.5	19.63
6.2	15.36



$$SSE = 25.77$$



$$SSE_{tot} = 465.90$$

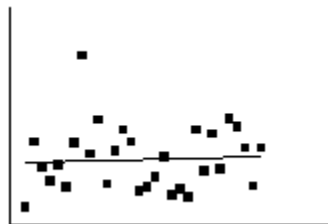
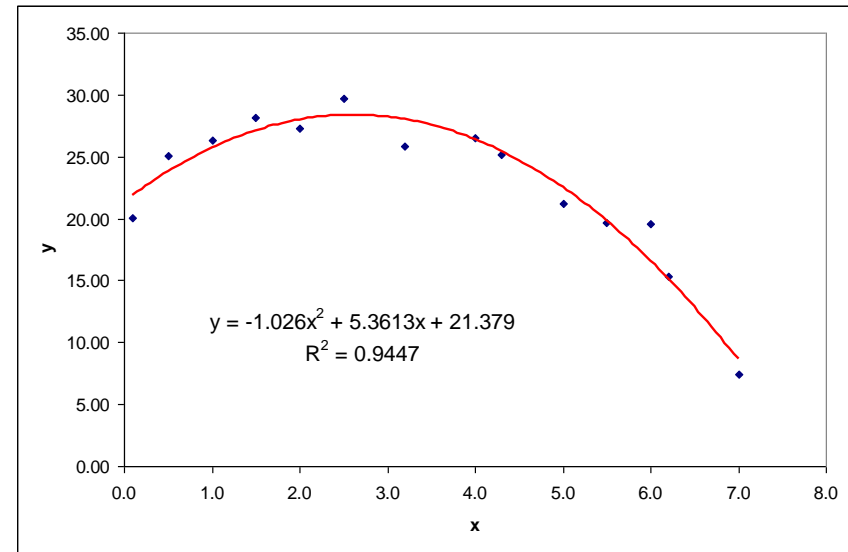
$$SSE_{tot} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$$

\bar{y} is mean of y

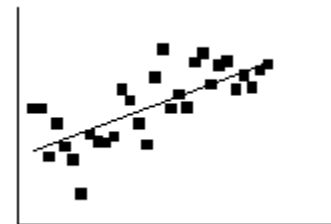
$$R^2 = 0.9447$$

Interpreting R^2

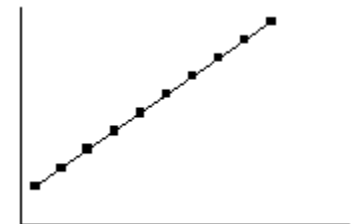
- ❑ $R^2 = 1$ means that the model explains 100% of y variance (it perfectly fits all the data points)
- ❑ $R^2 = 0.5$ means that the model explains 50% of y variance
- ❑ $R^2 = 0$ means that the model doesn't explain anything useful about the data
- ❑ $R^2 < 0$ means that the model is worse than a simple mean of y . It is completely unsuitable for the data (such situations can occur when for example R^2 is computed on separate data other than training data)



$R^2 = 0$



$R^2 = 0.5$



$R^2 = 1.0$