# **Data Analysis 2025**

# **Chapter IV: Linear Regression**

# **Learning Goals**

- Formulate learning problems using appropriate loss functions
- Indicate ways of finding the optimal parameters of a model
- Develop & experiment linear regression models (simple and multiple)
- · Assess the fit of regression models in different ways
- · Diagnose a bad fit in different ways
- Determine proper transformations for variables in modelling (e.g. linearization, categorical variables)
- Explain the concepts of over/under-fitting and the bias/variance trade-off
- · Assess when a model is leaning towards overfitting
- Apply cross-validation (CV) (and K-fold CV) to your models
- Explain concepts like data leakage

# **Announcements**

- Clinic 1 is due this Friday (late night). Wildcards are available and they apply to the whole group.
- If you still don't have a group, use Discord to self-organize
- The "wildcards standout dilemma": If you keep the same group for all clinics, then things are easy. If you change groups per clinic, then things become tricky.
  - e.g. if your groups submits clinic 1 3 days late, then each of the group members uses 3 wildcards (fair and square). If for clinic 2 there is a different composition with different wildcard balances among team members and in order to avoid system misuse, the group remaining wildcard balance will be computed the minimum of wildcards available (i.e. if 1 members has used 4 wildcards and 2 members have used 2 wildcards, then the group has an overall balance of 2 wildcards left).
- Quizz 1 is available, Bootcamp 1 solution will be available shortly
- Bootcamps are graded on participation and are meant to be (mostly) completed in class

# Components of a Supervised Machine Learning Problem

To apply supervised learning, we define a dataset and a learning algorithm.

Dataset
Features, Attributes, Targets

+ Learning Algorithm
→ Predictive Model

Model Class + Objective + Optimizer

# **Supervised Learning: Notations and Basics**

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# A Supervised Learning Dataset: Notation

We say that a training dataset of size n (e.g., n patients) is a set

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ (x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n \}$$



Each  $x^{(i)}$  denotes an input (e.g., the measurements for patient i), and each  $y^{(i)} \in \mathcal{Y}$  is a target (e.g., the diabetes risk).

Together,  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$  form a *training example*.

# Training Dataset: Inputs

More precisely, an input  $x^{(i)} \in \mathcal{X}$  is a d-dimensional vector of the form

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-dimensional vector of the form 
$$x^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(i)} \\ x_2^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ x_d^{(i)} \end{bmatrix} \text{ if } \text{ feature}$$
 of the  $d$  features for patient  $i$ .

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The set  $\mathcal{X}$  is called the feature space. Often, we have,  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^d$ .



We refer to the variables describing the patient as attributes. Examples of attributes include:

- The age of a patient.
- · The patient's gender.
- · The patient's BMI.



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Often, an input object has many attributes, and we want to use these attributes to define more complex descriptions of the input.

- Is the patient old and a man? (Useful if old men are at risk).
- Is the BMI above the obesity threshold?

We call these custom attributes features, however in practice sometimes the terms are used interchangeably.

# **Training Dataset: Targets**

For each patient, we are interested in predicting a quantity of interest, the target. In our example, this is the patient's diabetes risk.

Formally, when  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$  form a *training example*, each  $y^{(i)} \in \mathcal{Y}$  is a target. We call  $\mathcal{Y}$ the target space.

# **Objectives: Notation**

To capture this intuition, we define an objective function (also called a loss function)

$$J(f): \mathcal{M} \to [0, \infty),$$

which describes the extent to which f "fits" the data  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

When f is parametrized by  $\theta \in \Theta$ , the objective becomes a function  $J(\theta): \Theta \to [0, \infty)$ .

Error-based objective functions for regression are typically lower-bounded by 0, but in general may take any real value (e.g., for classification)

# **Objective: Examples**



What would are some possible objective functions? We will see many, but here are a few examples:

· Mean squared error:

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right)^{2}$$

• Absolute (L1) error:

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right|$$

These are defined for a dataset  $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}.$ 

# **Optimizer: Example**

We will see that behind the scenes, the

sklearn.linear\_models.LinearRegression algorithm optimizes the MSE loss. When  $\mathcal{X}=\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\Theta=\mathbb{R}^2$  for the intercept and slop terms.

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}) - \boldsymbol{y}^{(i)} \right)^2$$

We can easily measure the quality of the fit on the training set and the test set.

# **Part 1: Calculus Review**

Before we present our first supervised learning algorithm, we will do a quick calculus review.

In class we will only discuss the basics of gradient descent but feel free to browse through the rest for a reminder.

# **Motivation: Optimization in ML**

A machine learning algorithm typically minimizes a loss function J, e.g.,:

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, e.g.,: 
$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y^{(i)} - \cancel{p^{\top}} x^{(i)})^2 \qquad \text{from the following enters } \theta \text{ that best "fit" the training dataset}$$

The optimizer outputs parameters  $\theta$  that best "fit" the training dataset  $\mathcal{D} = \{ (x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n \}.$ 

We will use the a quadratic function as our running example for an objective J.

```
In [60]: import numpy as np
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = [8, 4]
         import seaborn as sns
         import plotly.io as pio
         import plotly.express as px
         import plotly.graph_objects as go
         pio.renderers.default = "iframe"
         pio.templates["plotly"].layout.colorway = px.colors.qualitative.Vivi
         px.defaults.width = 800
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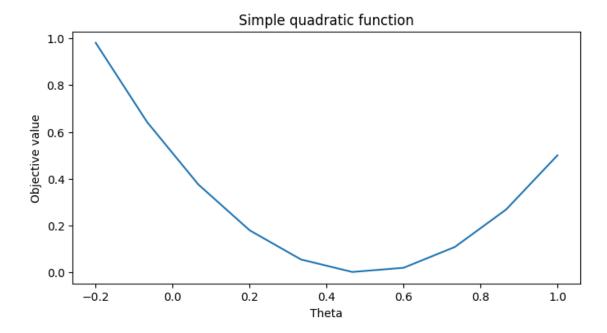
In [2]: def quadratic\_function(theta): """The cost function, J(theta).""" return 0.5\*(2\*theta-1)\*\*2

We can visualize it.

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In [3]: # First construct a grid of thetal parameter pairs and their corresp
# cost function values.
thetas = np.linspace(-0.2,1,10)
f_vals = quadratic_function(thetas[:,np.newaxis])

plt.plot(thetas, f_vals)
plt.xlabel('Theta')
plt.ylabel('Objective value')
plt.title('Simple quadratic function')
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Out[3]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Simple quadratic function')



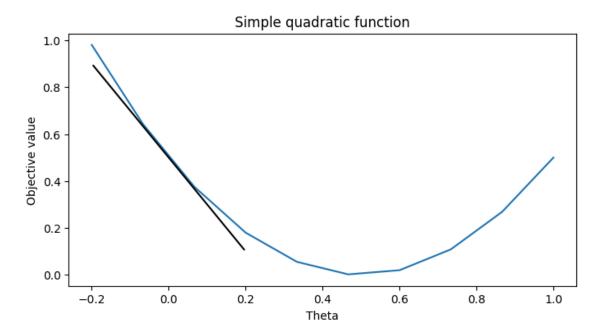
# **Calculus Review: Derivatives**

Recall that the derivative

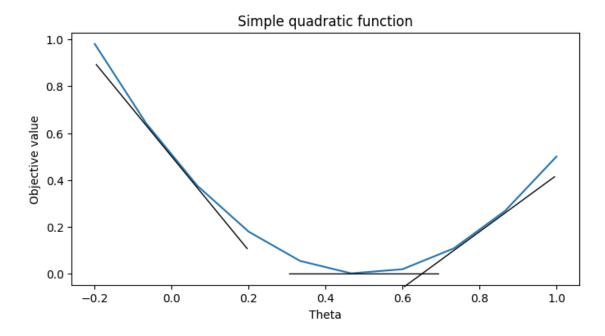
$$\frac{df(\theta_0)}{d\theta}$$

of a univariate function  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is the instantaneous rate of change of the function  $f(\theta)$  with respect to its parameter  $\theta$  at the point  $\theta_0$ .

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# **Calculus Review: Partial Derivatives**

The partial derivative

$$\frac{\partial f(\theta)}{\partial \theta_i}$$

of a multivariate function  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  is the derivative of f with respect to  $\theta_j$  while all the other dimensions  $\theta_k$  for  $k \neq j$  are fixed.

# **Calculus Review: The Gradient**

The gradient  $\nabla f$  is the vector of all the partial derivatives:

$$\nabla f(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(\theta)}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \frac{\partial f(\theta)}{\partial \theta_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f(\theta)}{\partial \theta_d} \end{bmatrix}.$$
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The j-th entry of the vector  $\nabla f(\theta)$  is the partial derivative  $\frac{\partial f(\theta)}{\partial \theta_i}$  of f with respect to the j

We will use a quadratic function as a running example.

$$f(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2} ((2\theta_1 - 2)^2 + (\theta_0 - 3)^2)$$

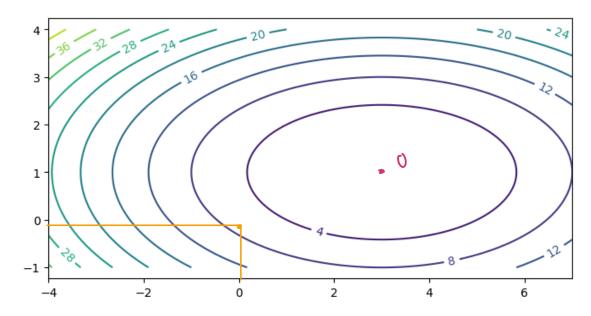
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In [94]: def quadratic_function2d(theta0, theta1):
             """Quadratic objective function, J(theta0, theta1).
             The inputs theta0, theta1 are 2d arrays and we evaluate
             the objective at each value theta0[i,j], theta1[i,j].
             We implement it this way so it's easier to plot the
             level curves of the function in 2d.
             Parameters:
             theta0 (np.array): 2d array of first parameter theta0
             theta1 (np.array): 2d array of second parameter theta1
             Returns:
             fvals (np.array): 2d array of objective function values
                 fvals is the same dimension as theta0 and theta1.
                 fvals[i,j] is the value at theta0[i,j] and theta1[i,j].
             theta0 = np.atleast_2d(np.asarray(theta0))
             theta1 = np.atleast_2d(np.asarray(theta1))
             return 0.5*((2*theta1-2)**2 + (theta0-3)**2)
```

Let's visualize this function.

```
In [95]: theta0_grid = np.linspace(-4,7,101)
    theta1_grid = np.linspace(-1,4,101)
    theta_grid = theta0_grid[np.newaxis,:], theta1_grid[:,np.newaxis]
    J_grid = quadratic_function2d(theta0_grid[np.newaxis,:], theta1_grid

X, Y = np.meshgrid(theta0_grid, theta1_grid)
    contours = plt.contour(X, Y, J_grid, 10)
    plt.clabel(contours)
    plt.axis('equal')
Plots
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Out[95]: (-4.0, 7.0, -1.0, 4.0)

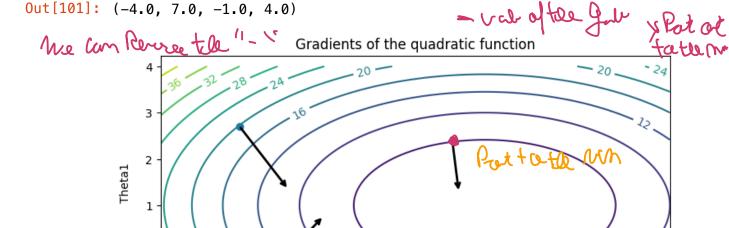


Let's write down the gradient of the quadratic function.

$$\nabla f(\theta_0, \theta_1) = [\theta_0 - 3, (2\theta_1 - 2) \times 2]$$

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In [96]: def quadratic_derivative2d(theta0, theta1):
             """Derivative of quadratic objective function.
             The inputs theta0, theta1 are 1d arrays and we evaluate
             the derivative at each value theta0[i], theta1[i].
             Parameters:
             theta0 (np.array): 1d array of first parameter theta0
             theta1 (np.array): 1d array of second parameter theta1
             Returns:
             grads (np.array): 2d array of partial derivatives
                 grads is of the same size as theta0 and theta1
                 along first dimension and of size
                 two along the second dimension.
                 grads[i,j] is the j-th partial derivative
                 at input theta0[i], theta1[i].
             # this is the gradient of 0.5*((2*theta1-2)**2 + (theta0-3)**2)
             grads = np.stack([theta0-3, (2*theta1-2)*2], axis=1)
             grads = grads.reshape([len(theta0), 2])
             return grads
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We can visualize the gradient.



# **Part 1b: Gradient Descent**

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Next, we will use gradients to define an important algorithm called *gradient descent*.

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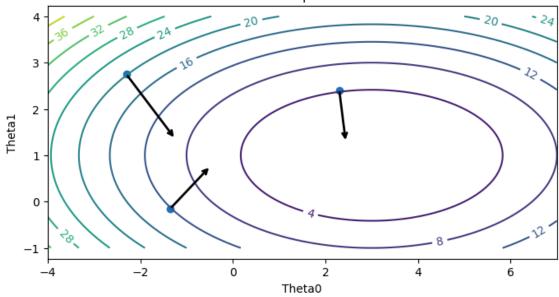
# **Calculus Review: The Gradient**

The gradient  $\nabla_{\theta} f$  further extends the derivative to multivariate functions  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ , and is defined at a point  $\theta_0$  as

$$\nabla_{\theta} f(\theta_0) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f(\theta_0)}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \frac{\partial f(\theta_0)}{\partial \theta_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f(\theta_0)}{\partial \theta_d} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Out[10]: (-4.0, 7.0, -1.0, 4.0)





# **Gradient Descent: Intuition**

Gradient descent is a very common optimization algorithm used in machine learning.

The intuition behind gradient descent is to repeatedly obtain the gradient to determine the direction in which the function decreases most steeply and take a step in that direction.

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# **Gradient Descent: Notation**

More formally, if we want to optimize  $J(\theta)$ , we start with an initial guess  $\theta_0$  for the parameters and repeat the following update until  $\theta$  is no longer changing:

$$\theta_i := \theta_{i-1} - \alpha \cdot \nabla J(\theta_{i-1}).$$

In code, this method may look as follows:

```
theta, theta_prev = random_initialization()
while norm(theta - theta_prev) > convergence_threshold:
    theta_prev = theta
    theta = theta_prev - step_size * gradient(theta_prev)
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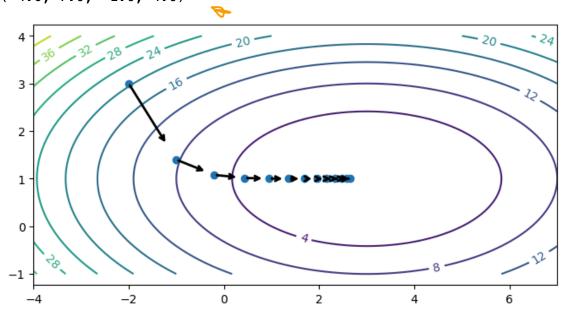
It's easy to implement this function in numpy.

```
In [108]: convergence_threshold = 0.1
    step_size = 0.2
    theta, theta_prev = np.array([[-2], [3]]), np.array([[0], [0]])
    opt_pts = [theta.flatten()]
    opt_grads = []

while np.linalg.norm(theta - theta_prev) > convergence_threshold:
    # we repeat this while the value of the function is decreasing
    theta_prev = theta
    gradient = quadratic_derivative2d(*theta).reshape([2,1])
    theta = theta_prev - step_size * gradient
    opt_pts += [theta.flatten()]
    opt_grads += [gradient.flatten()]
```

We can now visualize gradient descent.

Out[109]: (-4.0, 7.0, -1.0, 4.0)



# Part 2: Gradient Descent in Linear Models

Let's now use gradient descent to derive a supervised learning algorithm for linear models.

# **Review: Gradient Descent**

If we want to optimize  $J(\theta)$ , we start with an initial guess  $\theta_0$  for the parameters and repeat the following update:

$$\theta_i := \theta_{i-1} - \alpha \cdot \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta_{i-1}).$$

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    theta prev = theta
    theta = theta_prev - step_size * gradient(theta_prev)
```

# Recall that a linear model has the form Great the Form Oftonse

$$y = \theta_0 \oplus \theta_1 \cdot x_1 \oplus \theta_2 \cdot x_2 + \ldots + \theta_d \cdot x_d$$

where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is a vector of features and y is the target. The  $\theta_j$  are the parameters of the model.

By using the notation  $x_0 = 1$ , we can represent the model in a vectorized form

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{d} \theta_j \cdot x_j = \boxed{\theta^{\top} x}.$$

Let's define our model in Python.

```
In [13]:
```

def f(X, theta):

"""The linear model we are trying to fit.

#### Parameters:

theta (np.array): d-dimensional vector of parameters X (np.array): (n,d)-dimensional data matrix

y\_pred (np.array): n-dimensional vector of predicted targets

return X.dot(theta)

# An Objective: Mean Squared Error

We pick  $\theta$  to minimize the mean squared error (MSE). Slight variants of this objective are also known as the residual sum of squares (RSS) or the sum of squared residuals (SSR).

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y^{(i)} - \theta^{\mathsf{T}} x^{(i)})^{2}$$

In other words, we are looking for the best "compromise" in  $\theta$  over all the data points.

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Here we use as an objective function the mean squared error for each training point i which is defined as  $(y^{(i)} - \theta^{\top} x^{(i)})^2$ . Would it be also okay to use the following functions?

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ii) 
$$|y^{(i)} - \theta^{T} x^{(i)}|$$

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- A. yeah both
- B. none of them
- C. only i)
- D. only ii)
- E. unicorns are black

Let's implement the mean squared error.

In [110]: def mean\_squared\_error(theta, X, y): """The cost function, J, describing the goodness of fit. Parameters: theta (np.array): d-dimensional vector of parameters X (np.array): (n,d)-dimensional design matrix y (np.array): n-dimensional vector of targets

return 0.5\*np.mean((y-f(X, theta))\*\*2)

# **Mean Squared Error: Partial Derivatives**

Let's work out the derivatives for  $\frac{1}{2} \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right)^2$ , the MSE of a linear model  $f_{\theta}$  for one training example  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$ , which we denote  $J^{(i)}(\theta)$ .

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_{j}} J^{(i)}(\theta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_{j}} \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right)^{2} \right)$$

$$= \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_{j}} \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right)$$

$$= \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_{j}} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{d} \theta_{k} \cdot x_{k}^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right)$$

$$= \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot x_{j}^{(i)}$$
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$$= (f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{d} \theta_k \cdot x_k^{(i)} - y^{(i)}\right)$$

$$= (f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) \cdot x_j^{(i)} \text{ Mode deal and the second of the second of the matrix of the matri$$

$$\nabla_{\theta} J(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{0}} \\ \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{1}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{d}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J^{(i)}(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{0}} \\ \frac{\partial J^{(i)}(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{1}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial J^{(i)}(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{d}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( f_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot x^{(i)}$$

Let's implement the gradient.

```
In [15]: def mse_gradient(theta, X, y):
    """The gradient of the cost function.

Parameters:
    theta (np.array): d-dimensional vector of parameters
    X (np.array): (n,d)-dimensional design matrix
    y (np.array): n-dimensional vector of targets

Returns:
    grad (np.array): d-dimensional gradient of the MSE
    """
    return np.mean((f(X, theta) - y) * X.T, axis=1)
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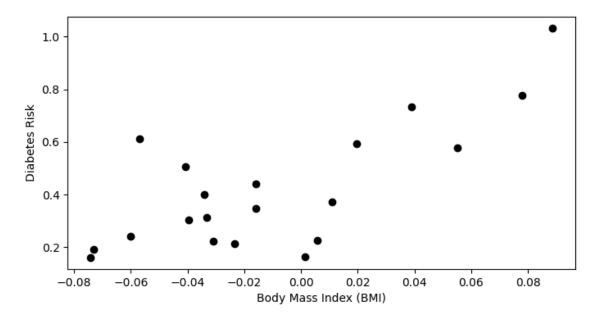
# The UCI Diabetes Dataset

In this section, we are going to use the UCI Diabetes Dataset.

- For each patient we have a access to their BMI and an estimate of diabetes risk (from 0-400).
- We are interested in understanding how BMI affects an individual's diabetes risk.

```
In [115]:
          %matplotlib inline
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = [8, 4]
          import numpy as np
          import pandas as pd
          from sklearn import datasets
          # Load the diabetes dataset
          X, y = datasets.load_diabetes(return_X_y=True, as_frame=True)
          # add an extra column of ones (remember this is the X_0)
          # alternatively, it's the intercept
          X['one'] = 1
          # Collect 20 data points and only use bmi dimension
          X_train = X.iloc[-20:].loc[:, ['bmi', 'one']]
          y_{train} = y_{iloc}[-20:] / 300
          plt.scatter(X_train.loc[:,['bmi']], y_train, color='black')
          plt.xlabel('Body Mass Index (BMI)')
          plt.ylabel('Diabetes Risk')
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# Out[115]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Diabetes Risk')



# **Gradient Descent for Linear Regression**

Putting this together with the gradient descent algorithm, we obtain a learning method for training linear models.

```
theta, theta_prev = random_initialization()
while abs(J(theta) - J(theta_prev)) > conv_threshold:
    theta_prev = theta
    theta = theta_prev - step_size * (f(x, theta)-y) * x
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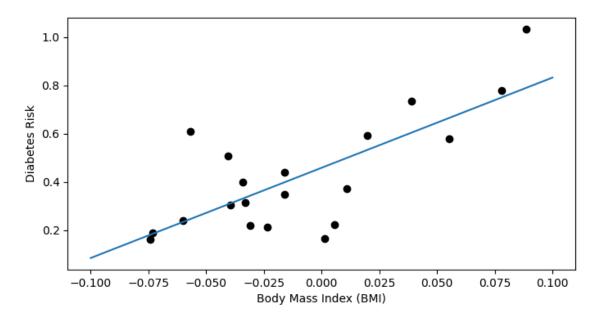
This update rule is also known as the Least Mean Squares (LMS).

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In [117]: threshold = 1e-6
          step\_size = 4e-1
          theta, theta_prev = np.array([2,1]), np.ones(2,)
          opt_pts = [theta]
          opt_grads = []
          iter = 0
          while np.linalg.norm(theta - theta_prev) > threshold:
              if iter % 100 == 0:
                  print('Iteration %d. MSE: %.6f' % (iter, mean_squared_error())
              theta_prev = theta
              gradient = mse_gradient(theta, X_train, y_train)
              theta = theta_prev - step_size * gradient
              opt pts += [theta]
              opt_grads += [gradient]
              iter += 1
          Iteration 0. MSE: 0.171729
          Iteration 100. MSE: 0.014765
          Iteration 200. MSE: 0.014349
          Iteration 300. MSE: 0.013997
          Iteration 400. MSE: 0.013701
          Iteration 500. MSE: 0.013450
          Iteration 600. MSE: 0.013238
          Iteration 700. MSE: 0.013060
          Iteration 800. MSE: 0.012909
          Iteration 900. MSE: 0.012781
          Iteration 1000. MSE: 0.012674
          Iteration 1100. MSE: 0.012583
          Iteration 1200. MSE: 0.012506
          Iteration 1300. MSE: 0.012441
          Iteration 1400. MSE: 0.012386
          Iteration 1500. MSE: 0.012340
          Iteration 1600. MSE: 0.012301
          Iteration 1700. MSE: 0.012268
          Iteration 1800. MSE: 0.012240
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In [126]: x_{\text{line}} = \text{np.stack}([\text{np.linspace}(-0.1, 0.1, 10), \text{np.ones}(10,)])
           y_line = opt_pts[-1].dot(x_line)
           plt.scatter(X_train.loc[:,['bmi']], y_train, color='black')
           plt.plot(x_line[0], y_line)
           plt.xlabel('Body Mass Index (BMI)')
           plt.ylabel('Diabetes Risk')
```

Out[126]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Diabetes Risk')



# In [125]: optimal\_theta=opt\_pts[-1] print(optimal\_theta)

bmi 3.736702 0.457953 one dtype: float64

# What do these coefficients show us?

$$\Theta_0 = 0$$
.

$$y = \theta_0 + \theta_1 \times x$$

where x is the bmi input and y is the diabetes risk.

- $\theta_0$  (0.457985 in this case) is the diabetes risk for a patient with BMI 0. In the context of this problem it does not make sense. It controls the line vertically.
- $\theta_1$  (3.736702 in this case) means that for every 1 unit increase in BMI, the diabetes risk increases by approx. 3.73 units. Pay attention, all units are the units that each variable is measured in when input to the model. It controls how steep is the line (angle).

# **Part 3: Ordinary Least Squares**

In practice, there is a more effective way than gradient descent to find linear model parameters.

This method will produce one of the most basic algorithms: Ordinary Least Squares.

# **Review: The Gradient**

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In other words, the j-th entry of the vector  $\nabla_{\theta} f(\theta_0)$  is the partial derivative  $\frac{\partial f(\theta_0)}{\partial \theta_j}$  of f with respect to the j-th component of  $\theta$ .

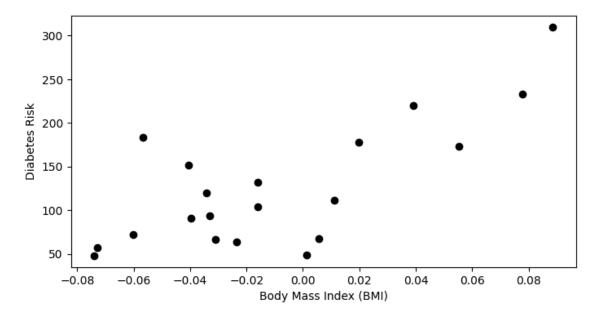
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```
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          import numpy as np
          import pandas as pd
          from sklearn import datasets
          # Load the diabetes dataset
          X, y = datasets.load_diabetes(return_X_y=True, as_frame=True)
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          X['one'] = 1
          # Collect 20 data points
          X_{train} = X_{iloc}[-20:]
          y_train = y_illoc[-20:]
          plt.scatter(X_train.loc[:,['bmi']], y_train, color='black')
          plt.xlabel('Body Mass Index (BMI)')
          plt.ylabel('Diabetes Risk')
```

# Out[143]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Diabetes Risk')



# **Notation: Design Matrix**

Machine learning algorithms are most easily defined in the language of linear algebra. Therefore, it will be useful to represent the entire dataset as one matrix  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ , of the form:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(1)} & x_2^{(1)} & \dots & x_d^{(1)} \\ x_1^{(2)} & x_2^{(2)} & \dots & x_d^{(2)} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ x_1^{(n)} & x_2^{(n)} & \dots & x_d^{(n)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} - & (x^{(1)})^\top & - \\ - & (x^{(2)})^\top & - \\ & \vdots & & \\ - & (x^{(n)})^\top & - \end{bmatrix}.$$

We can view the design matrix for the diabetes dataset.

In [138]: X\_train.head()

Out[138]:

	age	sex	bmi	bp	s1	s2	s3	s4
422	-0.078165	0.050680	0.077863	0.052858	0.078236	0.064447	0.026550	-0.002592
423	0.009016	0.050680	-0.039618	0.028758	0.038334	0.073529	-0.072854	0.108111
424	0.001751	0.050680	0.011039	-0.019442	-0.016704	-0.003819	-0.047082	0.034309
425	-0.078165	-0.044642	-0.040696	-0.081414	-0.100638	-0.112795	0.022869	-0.076395
426	0.030811	0.050680	-0.034229	0.043677	0.057597	0.068831	-0.032356	0.057557
425	-0.078165	-0.044642	-0.040696	-0.081414	-0.100638	-0.112795	0.022869	-0.07639

# **Notation: Target Vector**

Similarly, we can vectorize the target variables into a vector  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  of the form

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(1)} \\ y^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(n)} \end{bmatrix}.$$

# **Squared Error in Matrix Form**

Recall that we may fit a linear model by choosing  $\theta$  that minimizes the squared error:

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y^{(i)} - \theta^{\mathsf{T}} x^{(i)})^{2}$$

We can write this sum in matrix-vector form as:

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} (y - X\theta)^{\mathsf{T}} (y - X\theta) = \frac{1}{2} ||y - X\theta||^{2},$$

where X is the design matrix and  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes the Euclidean norm.

# The Gradient of the Squared Error

We can compute the gradient of the mean squared error as follows.

$$\nabla_{\theta} J(\theta) = \nabla_{\theta} \frac{1}{2} (X\theta - y)^{\top} (X\theta - y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\theta} \left( (X\theta)^{\top} (X\theta) - (X\theta)^{\top} y - y^{\top} (X\theta) + y^{\top} y \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\theta} \left( \theta^{\top} (X^{\top} X) \theta - 2(X\theta)^{\top} y \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( 2(X^{\top} X) \theta - 2X^{\top} y \right)$$

$$= (X^{\top} X) \theta - X^{\top} y$$

We used the facts that  $a^{T}b = b^{T}a$  (line 3), that  $\nabla_{x}b^{T}x = b$  (line 4), and that  $\nabla_x x^{\mathsf{T}} A x = 2Ax$  for a symmetric matrix A (line 4).

# **Normal Equations**

Setting the above derivative to zero, we obtain the *normal equations*:

$$(X^{\mathsf{T}}X)\theta = X^{\mathsf{T}}y.$$

Hence, the value  $\theta^*$  that minimizes this objective is given by:

$$\theta^* = (X^\top X)^{-1} X^\top y.$$

Note that we assumed that the matrix  $(X^T X)$  is invertible; there are simple ways to deal with non-invertible matrices.

Let's apply the normal equations.

In [139]: import numpy as np

theta\_best = np.linalg.inv(X\_train.T.dot(X\_train)).dot(X\_train.T).dd theta\_best\_df = pd.DataFrame(data=theta\_best[np.newaxis, :], columns theta\_best\_df

### Out[139]:

bmi s1 s3 age sex **0** -3.888868 204.648785 -64.289163 -262.796691 14003.726808 -11798.307781 -5892.15807

We can now use our estimate of theta to compute predictions for 3 new data points.

In [146]: # Collect 3 data points for testing

 $X_{\text{test}} = X_{\text{iloc}}[:3]$ y\_test = y.iloc[:3]

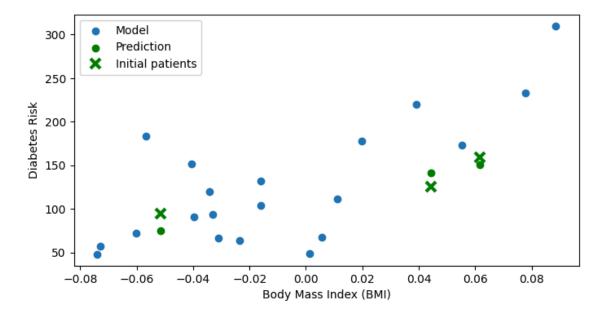
# generate predictions on the new patients

y\_test\_pred = X\_test.dot(theta\_best)

Let's visualize these predictions.

```
In [147]: | # visualize the results
               plt.xlabel('Body Mass Index (BMI)')
               plt.ylabel('Diabetes Risk')
               plt.scatter(X_train.loc[:, ['bmi']], y_train)
plt.scatter(X_test.loc[:, ['bmi']], y_test, color='green', marker='c
               plt.plot(X_test.loc[:, ['bmi']], y_test_pred, 'x', color='green', me
plt.legend(['Model', 'Prediction', 'Initial patients', 'New patients')
```

Out[147]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7fa6c59ca100>



# **Algorithm: Ordinary Least Squares**

- Type: Supervised learning (regression)
- · Model family: Linear models
- · Objective function: Mean squared error
- **Optimizer**: Normal equations

It is preferred to gradient descent since it does not require any parameter tuning.

# Part 4: Non-Linear Least Squares We can lated it



So far, we have learned about a very simple linear model. Linear models can capture only simple linear relationships in the data. Can we also use it to model more complex relationships?

# **Review: Polynomial Functions**

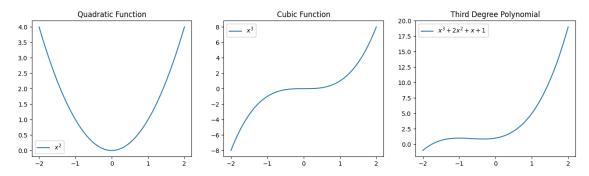
Recall that a polynomial of degree p is a function of the form

$$a_p x^p + a_{p-1} x^{p-1} + \ldots + a_1 x + a_0.$$

Below are some examples of polynomial functions.

```
In [148]:
          import warnings
          warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
          plt.figure(figsize=(16,4))
          x_{vars} = np.linspace(-2, 2)
          plt.subplot(131)
          plt.title('Quadratic Function')
          plt.plot(x_vars, x_vars**2)
          plt.legend(["$x^2$"])
          plt.subplot(132)
          plt.title('Cubic Function')
          plt.plot(x vars, x vars**3)
          plt.legend(["$x^3$"])
          plt.subplot(133)
          plt.title('Third Degree Polynomial')
          plt.plot(x_vars, x_vars**3 + 2*x_vars**2 + x_vars + 1)
          plt.legend(["$x^3 + 2 x^2 + x + 1$"])
```

# Out[148]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7fa6c5d5f8b0>



# Modeling Non-Linear Relationships With Polynomial Regression

Specifically, given a one-dimensional continuous variable x, we can define the *polynomial* feature function  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^{p+1}$  as

$$\phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ x^2 \\ \vdots \\ x^p \end{bmatrix}.$$

The class of models of the form

$$f_{\theta}(x) := \sum_{j=0}^{p} \theta_{j} x^{j} = \theta^{\top} \phi(x)$$

with parameters  $\theta$  and polynomial features  $\phi$  is the set of p-degree polynomials.

• This model is non-linear in the input variable x, meaning that we can model complex data relationships.

• It is a linear model as a function of the parameters  $\theta$ , meaning that we can use the ordinary least squares algorithm to learn these features.

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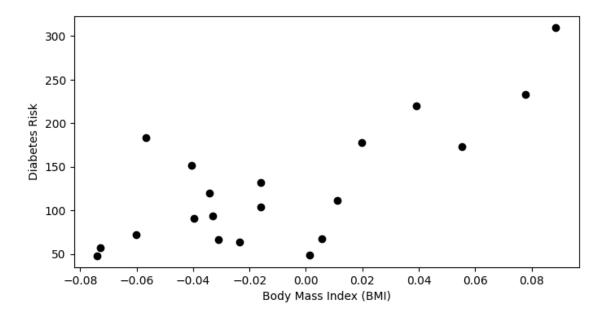
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          y_train = y_illoc[-20:]
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          plt.xlabel('Body Mass Index (BMI)')
          plt.ylabel('Diabetes Risk')
```

# Out[149]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Diabetes Risk')



# **Diabetes Dataset: A Non-Linear Featurization**

Let's now obtain linear features for this dataset.

```
In [150]: X_bmi = X_train.loc[:, ['bmi']]

X_bmi_p3 = pd.concat([X_bmi, X_bmi**2, X_bmi**3], axis=1)
X_bmi_p3.columns = ['bmi', 'bmi2', 'bmi3']
X_bmi_p3['one'] = 1
X_bmi_p3.head()
```

# Out[150]:

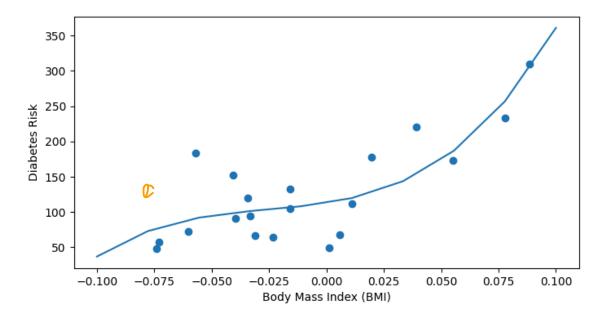
	bmi	bmi2	bmi3	one
422	0.077863	0.006063	0.000472	1
423	-0.039618	0.001570	-0.000062	1
424	0.011039	0.000122	0.000001	1
425	-0.040696	0.001656	-0.000067	1
426	-0.034229	0.001172	-0.000040	1

# **Diabetes Dataset: A Polynomial Model**

By training a linear model on this featurization of the diabetes set, we can obtain a polynomial model of diabetes risk as a function of BMI.

```
In [151]:
          # Fit a linear regression
          theta = np.linalg.inv(X_bmi_p3.T.dot(X_bmi_p3)).dot(X_bmi_p3.T).dot(
          # Show the learned polynomial curve
          x_{line} = np.linspace(-0.1, 0.1, 10)
          x_{line_p3} = np.stack([x_{line}, x_{line**2}, x_{line**3}, np.ones(10,)], a
          y_train_pred = x_line_p3.dot(theta)
          plt.xlabel('Body Mass Index (BMI)')
          plt.ylabel('Diabetes Risk')
          plt.scatter(X_bmi, y_train)
          plt.plot(x_line, y_train_pred)
```

Out[151]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7fa6c3bb37f0>]



# **Multivariate Polynomial Regression**

We can construct non-linear functions of multiple variables by using multivariate polynomials.

For example, a polynomial of degree 2 over two variables  $x_1, x_2$  is a function of the form

$$a_{20}x_1^2 + a_{10}x_1 + a_{02}x_2^2 + a_{01}x_2 + a_{11}x_1x_2 + a_{00}$$
.

In general, a polynomial of degree p over two variables  $x_1,x_2$  is a function of the form  $f(x_1,x_2)=\sum_{i,j\geq 0: i+j\leq p}a_{ij}x_1^ix_2^j.$ 

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \sum_{i,j \ge 0: i+j \le p} a_{ij} x_1^i x_2^j.$$

In our two-dimensional example, this corresponds to a feature function  $\phi:\mathbb{R}^2\to\mathbb{R}^6$  of the form

 $\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
x_1 \\
x_1^2
\end{array}$ 

# **Towards General Non-Linear Features**

Any non-linear feature map  $\phi(x): \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^p$  can be used in this way to obtain general models of the form

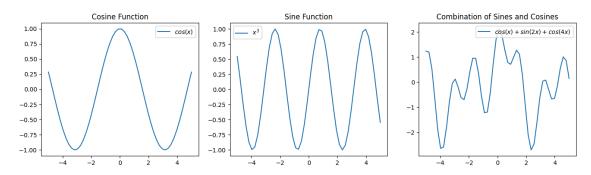
$$f_{\theta}(x) := \theta^{\mathsf{T}} \phi(x)$$

that are highly non-linear in x but linear in  $\theta$ .

For example, here is a way of modeling complex periodic functions via a sum of sines and cosines.

```
In [29]:
         import warnings
         warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
         plt.figure(figsize=(16,4))
         x_{vars} = np.linspace(-5, 5)
         plt.subplot(131)
         plt.title('Cosine Function')
         plt.plot(x_vars, np.cos(x_vars))
         plt.legend(["$cos(x)$"])
         plt.subplot(132)
         plt.title('Sine Function')
         plt.plot(x_vars, np.sin(2*x_vars))
         plt.legend(["$x^3$"])
         plt.subplot(133)
         plt.title('Combination of Sines and Cosines')
         plt.plot(x_vars, np.cos(x_vars) + np.sin(2*x_vars) + np.cos(4*x_vars
         plt.legend(["$cos(x) + sin(2x) + cos(4x)$"])
```

# Out[29]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7fa6d4a489a0>



# Part 5: Using scikit-learn to fit Multiple Linear Regression Model

Let's consider the penguins dataset.

```
In [152]: df = sns.load_dataset("penguins")
    df = df[df["species"] == "Adelie"].dropna()
    df
```

# Out[152]:

146 rows × 7 columns

	species	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	
0	Adelie	Torgersen	39.1	18.7	181.0	3750.0	
1	Adelie	Torgersen	39.5	17.4	186.0	3800.0	F€
2	Adelie	Torgersen	40.3	18.0	195.0	3250.0	F€
4	Adelie	Torgersen	36.7	19.3	193.0	3450.0	F€
5	Adelie	Torgersen	39.3	20.6	190.0	3650.0	
147	Adelie	Dream	36.6	18.4	184.0	3475.0	F€
148	Adelie	Dream	36.0	17.8	195.0	3450.0	F€
149	Adelie	Dream	37.8	18.1	193.0	3750.0	
150	Adelie	Dream	36.0	17.1	187.0	3700.0	F€
151	Adelie	Dream	41.5	18.5	201.0	4000.0	

Suppose we could measure flippers and weight easily, but not bill dimensions. How can

we predict bill depth from flipper length and/or body mass?

For demo purposes, we'll drop all columns except the variables whose relationships we're interested in modeling.

```
In [153]: df = sns.load_dataset("penguins")
    df = df[df["species"] == "Adelie"].dropna()
    df = df[["bill_depth_mm", "flipper_length_mm", "body_mass_g"]]
    df
```

Out[153]:

	bill_depth_mm flippe	er_length_mm	body_mass_g
0	18.7	181.0	3750.0
1	17.4	186.0	3800.0
2	18.0	195.0	3250.0
4	19.3	193.0	3450.0
5	20.6	190.0	3650.0
147	18.4	184.0	3475.0
148	17.8	195.0	3450.0
149	18.1	193.0	3750.0
150	17.1	187.0	3700.0
151	18.5	201.0	4000.0

146 rows × 3 columns

Suppose we want to create a linear regression model that predicts a penguin's **bill depth** y using both their **flipper length**  $x_1$  and **body mass**  $x_2$ , plus an intercept term.

$$\hat{y} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2$$

# Using SKLearn to fit our Multiple Linear Regression Model

An alternate approach to optimize our model is to use the sklearn.linear\_model.LinearRegression class. (Documentation) (https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.linear\_model.LinearRegression.html)

In [32]: from sklearn.linear\_model import LinearRegression

# 1. Create an sklearn object.

First we create a model. At this point the model has not been fit so it has no parameters.

```
In [33]: from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
model = LinearRegression()
model
```

Out[33]: LinearRegression()

## 2. fit the object to data.

Then we "fit" the model, which means computing the parameters that minimize the loss function. The LinearRegression class is hard coded to use the **MSE** as its loss function. The first argument of the fit function should be a matrix (or DataFrame), and the second should be the observations we're trying to predict.

```
In [34]: model.fit(
    X=df[["flipper_length_mm", "body_mass_g"]],
    y=df["bill_depth_mm"])
```

Out[34]: LinearRegression()

# 3. Analyze fit or call predict.

Now that our model is trained, we can ask it questions. The code below asks the model to estimate the bill depth (in mm) for a penguin with a 185 mm flipper length.

```
In [35]: model.predict([[185, 3750.0]]) # note the double brackets
```

Out[35]: array([18.36187501])

We can also ask the model to generate a series of predictions:

```
In [36]: df["sklearn_preds"] = model.predict(df[["flipper_length_mm", "body_m
df
```

#### Out [36]:

	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	sklearn_preds
0	18.7	181.0	3750.0	18.322561
1	17.4	186.0	3800.0	18.445578
2	18.0	195.0	3250.0	17.721412
4	19.3	193.0	3450.0	17.997254
5	20.6	190.0	3650.0	18.263268
		•••		
147	18.4	184.0	3475.0	17.945735
148	17.8	195.0	3450.0	18.016911
149	18.1	193.0	3750.0	18.440503
150	17.1	187.0	3700.0	18.307657
151	18.5	201.0	4000.0	18.888505

Voilà!

## Analyze parameters.

We can ask the model for its intercept and slope with \_intercept and \_coef, respectively.

In [37]: model.intercept\_ # why is this a scalar?

Out[37]: 11.002995277447067

In [38]: model.coef\_ # why is this an array?

Out[38]: array([0.00982849, 0.0014775 ])

How are these interpreted?

$$\hat{y} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2$$

 $\theta_0$  is the bill depth of a penguin with 0 mm flipper length and 0 grams mass weight.

 $\theta_1$  is how many mm longer is the bill depth, if we increase the flipper length by 1 mm and keeping the mass mixed.  $\xi$ 

 $\theta_2$  is how many mm longer is the bill depth, if we increase the weight by 1 gram and keeping the flipper length fixed.

#### Analyze performance.

The sklearn package also provides a function that computes the MSE from a list of observations and predictions. This avoids us having to manually compute MSE by first computing residuals. In the second part of class, we will explore more metrics to assess model performance.

documentation (https://scikit-

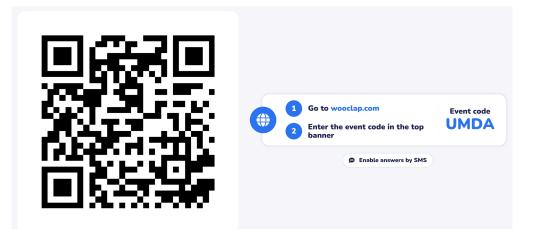
learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.metrics.mean squared error.html)

In [39]: from sklearn.metrics import mean\_squared\_error

mean\_squared\_error(df["bill\_depth\_mm"], df["sklearn\_preds"])

Out[39]: 0.9764070438844

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Is 0.9764 a high value for the squared error?

A. Yes

B. No

C. Can't say for sure

D. Unicorns are white

# **Part 5: Feature Engineering**

Feature engineering is the process of applying feature functions to generate new features for use in modeling. We will discuss two aspects:

- · One-hot encoding
- · Polynomial features

To do so, we will use a dataset from seaborn, tips

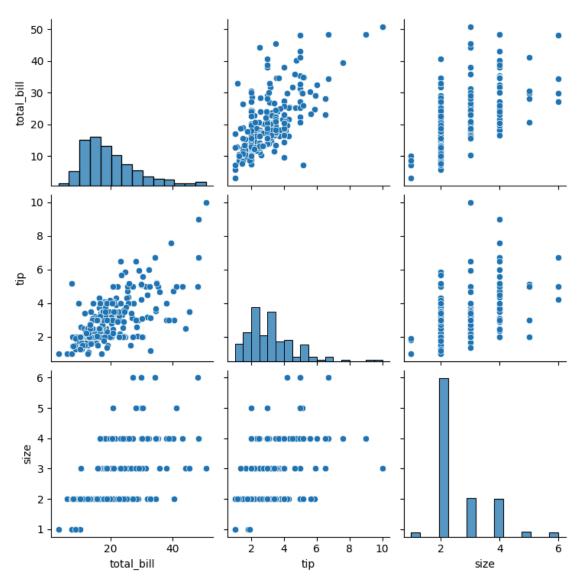
# In [154]: import seaborn as sns import warnings import plotly.express as px import plotly.graph\_objects as go pd.options.mode.chained\_assignment = None warnings.simplefilter(action='ignore', category=UserWarning) np.random.seed(42) tips = sns.load\_dataset("tips") tips.head()

# Out[154]:

	total_bill	tip	sex	smoker	day	time	size
0	16.99	1.01	Female	No	Sun	Dinner	2
1	10.34	1.66	Male	No	Sun	Dinner	3
2	21.01	3.50	Male	No	Sun	Dinner	3
3	23.68	3.31	Male	No	Sun	Dinner	2
4	24.59	3.61	Female	No	Sun	Dinner	4

In [156]: sns.pairplot(tips)

Out[156]: <seaborn.axisgrid.PairGrid at 0x7fa6c83ab490>



# One-Hot Encoding day v Nat Numere

We discussed One-Hot Encoding as part of EDA. Here, e.g. we can use one-hot encoding to incorporate the day of the week as an input into a regression model.

Suppose we want to use a design matrix of three features – the total\_bill, size, and day – to predict the tip.

```
In [157]: X_raw = tips[["total_bill", "size", "day"]]
y = tips["tip"]
```

Because day is non-numeric, we will apply one-hot encoding before fitting a model.

The OneHotEncoder class of sklearn (documentation (https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.preprocessing.OneHotEncoder.html#sklearn.pr offers a quick way to perform one-hot encoding. Also, note that we follow a very similar workflow to when we were working with the LinearRegression class: we initialize a OneHotEncoder object, fit it to our data, then use transform to apply the fitted encoder.

```
In [158]: from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder
          # Initialize a OneHotEncoder object
          ohe = OneHotEncoder()
          # Fit the encoder
          ohe.fit(tips[["day"]])
          ohe
Out[158]: OneHotEncoder()
In [159]: # Use the encoder to transform the raw "day" feature
          encoded_day = ohe.transform(tips[["day"]]).toarray()
          print("The first 5 rows of the matrix")
          encoded_day[:5, :]
          The first 5 rows of the matrix
Out[159]: array([[0., 0., 1., 0.],
                  [0., 0., 1., 0.],
                  [0., 0., 1., 0.],
                  [0., 0., 1., 0.],
                  [0., 0., 1., 0.]]
In [161]: #ohe.transform([['Fun']])
```

In [162]:

encoded\_day\_df = pd.DataFrame(encoded\_day, columns=ohe.get\_feature\_r encoded\_day\_df.head()

Out[162]:

	day_Fri	day_Sat	day_Sun	day_Thur
0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
2	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
3	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
4	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0

The OneHotEncoder has converted the categorical day feature into four numeric features! Note that the tips dataset only included data for Thursday through Sunday, which is why only four days of the week appear.

Let's join this one-hot encoding to the original data to form our featurized design matrix. We drop the original day column so our design matrix only includes numeric values.

Out[163]:

	total_bill	size	day_Fri	day_Sat	day_Sun	day_Thur
0	16.99	2	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
1	10.34	3	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
2	21.01	3	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
3	23.68	2	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
4	24.59	4	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0

Now, we can use sklearn 's LinearRegression class to fit a model to this design matrix.

In [164]: from sklearn.linear\_model import LinearRegression ohe\_model = LinearRegression(fit\_intercept=False) # Tell sklearn to ohe\_model.fit(X, y) pd.DataFrame({"Feature":X.columns, "Model Coefficient":ohe\_model.coe

#### Out[164]:

#### **Model Coefficient**

Feature	
total_bill	0.092994
size	0.187132
day_Fri	0.745787
day_Sat	0.621129
day_Sun	0.732289
day_Thur	0.668294

We can use

### **Polynomial Features**

Consider the vehicles dataset, which includes information about cars.

In [171]: | vehicles = sns.load\_dataset("mpg").dropna().rename(columns = {"horse vehicles.head()

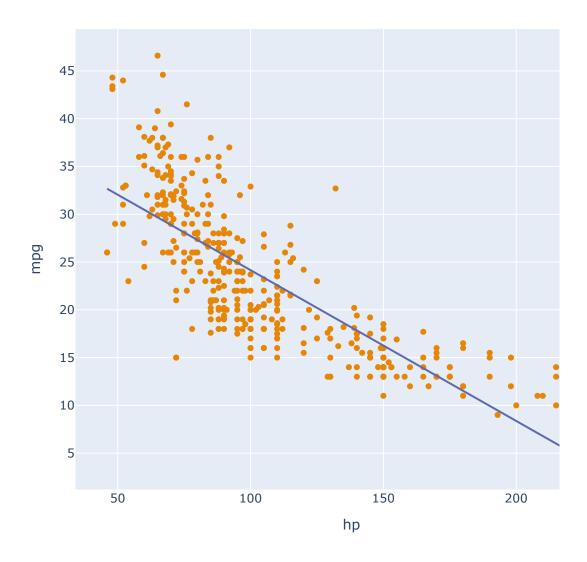
#### Out[171]:

na	origin	model_year	acceleration	weight	hp	displacement	cylinders	mpg	
volkswaç 1° delı sec	europe	70	20.5	1835	46.0	97.0	4	26.0	19
volkswaç su be	europe	73	21.0	1950	46.0	97.0	4	26.0	102
vw das (die:	europe	80	23.7	2335	48.0	90.0	4	43.4	326
vw rabb (die:	europe	80	21.7	2085	48.0	90.0	4	44.3	325
volkswaç rak cust die	europe	78	21.5	1985	48.0	90.0	4	43.1	244

Suppose we want to use the hp (horsepower) of a car to predict its mpg (gas mileage in miles per gallon). If we visualize the relationship between these two variables, we see a non-linear curvature. Fitting a linear model to these variables results in a high (poor) value of RMSE.

$$\hat{y} = \theta_0 + \theta_1(hp)$$

MSE of model with (hp) feature: 23.943662938603108



To capture the non-linear relationship between the variables, we can introduce a non-linear feature: hp squared. Our new model is:

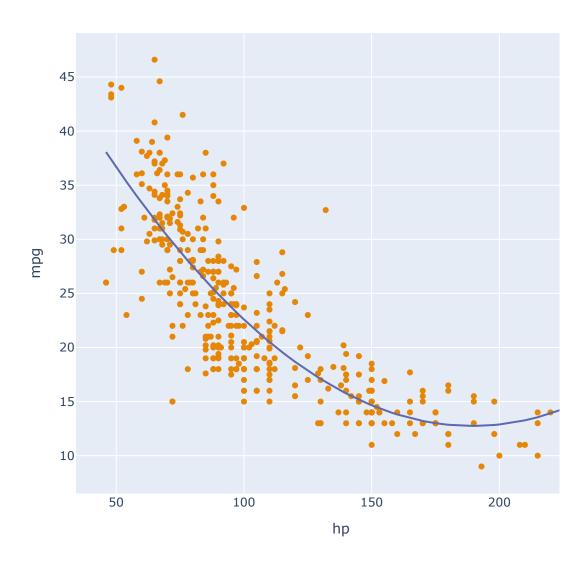
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\hat{y} = \theta_0 + \theta_1(hp) + \theta_2(hp^2)
```

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In [173]: X = vehicles[["hp"]]
X.loc[:, "hp^2"] = vehicles["hp"]**2

hp2_model = LinearRegression()
hp2_model.fit(X, y)
hp2_model_predictions = hp2_model.predict(X)

print(f"MSE of model with (hp^2) feature: {np.mean((y-hp2_model_predictions))
fig = px.scatter(vehicles, x="hp", y="mpg", width=800, height=600)
fig.add_trace(go.Scatter(x=vehicles["hp"], y=hp2_model_predictions, mode="lines", name="Quadratic Prediction"))
#sns.scatterplot(data=vehicles, x="hp", y="mpg")
#plt.plot(vehicles["hp"], hp2_model_predictions, c="tab:red");
```

MSE of model with (hp^2) feature: 18.984768907617216



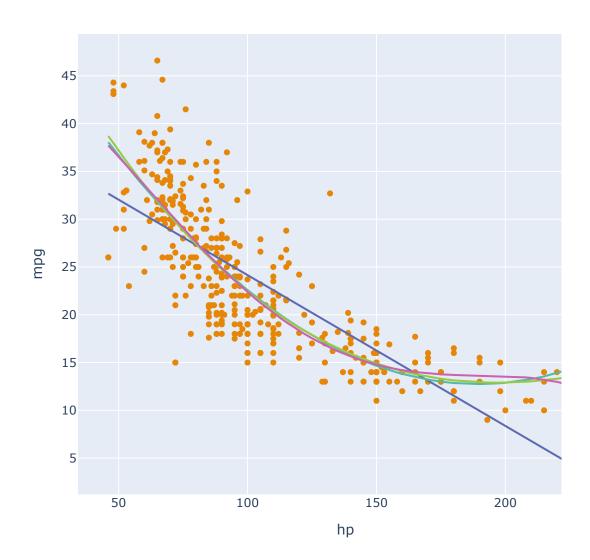
The cell below fits models of increasing complexity and computes their MSEs.

```
In [174]: def mse(predictions, observations):
    return np.mean((observations - predictions)**2)

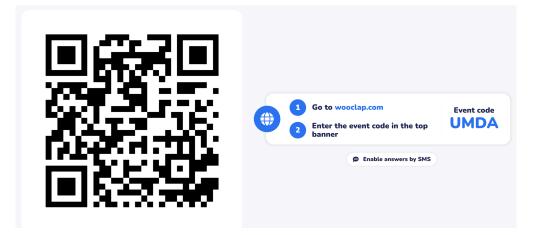
# Add hp^3 and hp^4 as features to the data
X["hp^3"] = vehicles["hp"]**3
X["hp^4"] = vehicles["hp"]**4

# Fit a model with order 3
hp3_model = LinearRegression()
hp3_model_fit(X[["hp", "hp^2", "hp^3"]], vehicles["mpg"])
hp3_model_predictions = hp3_model.predict(X[["hp", "hp^2", "hp^3"]])

# Fit a model with order 4
hp4_model = LinearRegression()
hp4_model.fit(X[["hp", "hp^2", "hp^3", "hp^4"]], vehicles["mpg"])
hp4_model_predictions = hp4_model.predict(X[["hp", "hp^2", "hp^3", "hp^
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### Which model would you prefer?

- A. degree 1
- B. degree 2
- C. degree 3
- D. degree 4
- E. Unicorns are blue

```
In [67]: # Plot the models' predictions
         #fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 3, dpi=200, figsize=(12, 3))
         #predictions_dict = {0:hp2_model_predictions, 1:hp3_model_prediction
         #for i in predictions_dict:
              ax[i].scatter(vehicles["hp"], vehicles["mpg"], edgecolor="white
              ax[i].plot(vehicles["hp"], predictions_dict[i], "tab:green")
         #
         #
              ax[i].set_title(f"Model with order {i+2}")
         #
              ax[i].set_xlabel("hp")
         #
              ax[i].set_ylabel("mpg")
         #
              ax[i].annotate(f"MSE: {np.round(mse(vehicles['mpg'], prediction
         #plt.subplots_adjust(wspace=0.3);
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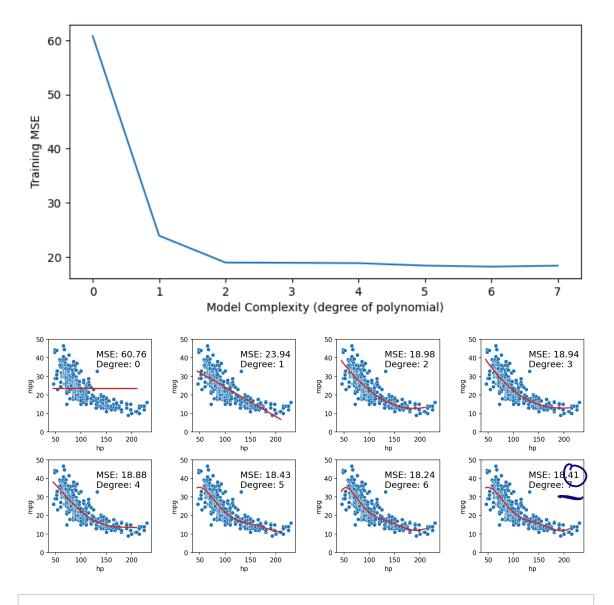
## **Complexity and Overfitting**

What we saw above was the phenomenon of **model complexity** – as we add additional features to the design matrix, the model becomes increasingly *complex*. Models with higher complexity have lower values of training error. Intuitively, this makes sense: with more features at its disposal, the model can match the observations in the trainining data more and more closely.

We can run an experiment to see this in action. In the cell below, we fit many models of progressively higher complexity, then plot the MSE of predictions on the training set.

The **order** of a polynomial model is the highest power of any term in the model. An order

```
In [176]:
          from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
          from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
          def fit_model_dataset(degree, dataset):
              pipelined_model = Pipeline([
                      ('polynomial_transformation', PolynomialFeatures(degree)
                      ('linear_regression', LinearRegression())
                  1)
              pipelined_model.fit(dataset[["hp"]], dataset["mpg"])
              return mse(dataset['mpg'], pipelined_model.predict(dataset[["hp"]
          errors = [fit_model_dataset(degree, vehicles) for degree in range(0,
          MSEs and k = pd.DataFrame(\{"k": range(0, 8), "MSE": errors\})
          plt.plot(range(0, 8), errors)
          plt.xlabel("Model Complexity (degree of polynomial)")
          plt.ylabel("Training MSE");
          def plot_degree_k_model(k, MSEs_and_k, axs):
              pipelined model = Pipeline([
                  ('poly_transform', PolynomialFeatures(degree = k)).
                  ('regression', LinearRegression(fit_intercept = True))
              pipelined model.fit(vehicles[["hp"]], vehicles["mpg"])
              row = k // 4
              col = k % 4
              ax = axs[row, col]
              sns.scatterplot(data=vehicles, x='hp', y='mpg', ax=ax)
              x_range = np.linspace(45, 210, 100).reshape(-1, 1)
              ax.plot(x range, pipelined model.predict(pd.DataFrame(x range, c
              ax.set ylim((0, 50))
              mse_str = f"MSE: {MSEs_and_k.loc[k, 'MSE']:.4}\nDegree: {k}"
              ax.text(130, 35, mse_str, dict(size=14))
          fig = plt.figure(figsize=(15, 6), dpi=150)
          axs = fig.subplots(nrows=2, ncols=4)
          for k in range(8):
              plot degree k model(k, MSEs and k, axs)
          fig.subplots adjust(wspace=0.4, hspace=0.3)
```

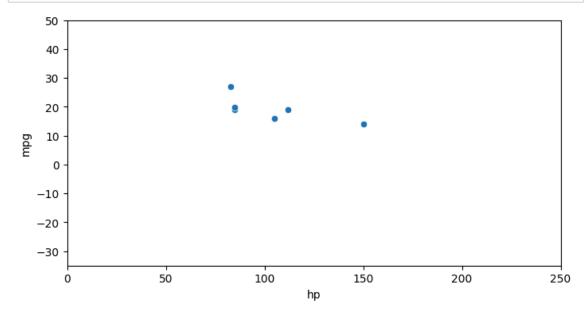


You may be tempted to always design models with high polynomial degree – after all, we know that we could theoretically achieve perfect predictions by creating a model with enough polynomial features.

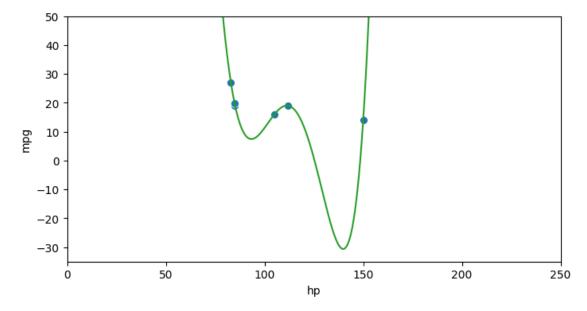
It turns out that the examples we looked at above represent a somewhat artificial scenario: we trained our model on all the data we had available, then used the model to make predictions on this very same dataset. A more realistic situation is when we wish to apply our model on unseen data – that is, datapoints that it did not encounter during the model fitting process.

Suppose we obtain a random sample of 6 datapoints from our population of vehicle data. We want to train a model on these 6 points and use it to make predictions on unseen data (perhaps cars for which we don't already know the true mpg).

```
In [177]: np.random.seed(100)
    sample_6 = vehicles.sample(6)
    sns.scatterplot(data=sample_6, x="hp", y="mpg")
    plt.ylim(-35, 50)
    plt.xlim(0, 250);
```

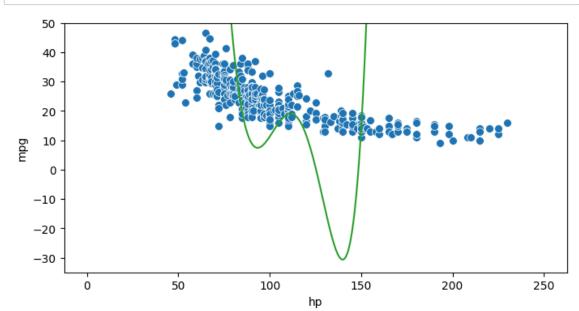


If we design a model with polynomial degree 5, we can make perfect predictions on this sample of training data.



However, when we reapply this fitted model to the full population of data, it fails to capture the major trends of the dataset.

In [57]: plt.plot(xs, degree\_5\_model\_predictions, c="tab:green")
sns.scatterplot(data=vehicles, x="hp", y="mpg", s=50)
plt.ylim(-35, 50);



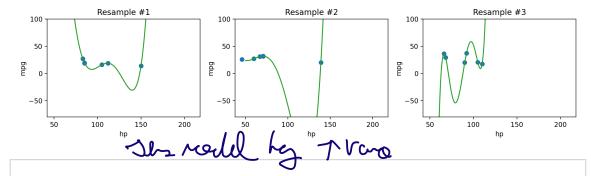
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The model has **overfit** to the data used to train it. It has essentially "memorized" the six datapoints used during model fitting, and does not generalize well to new data.

Complex models tend to be more sensitive to the data used to train them. The **variance** of a model refers to its tendency to vary depending on the training data used during model fitting. It turns out that our degree-5 model has very high model variance. If we randomly sample new sets of datapoints to use in training, the model varies erratically.

```
In [58]:
        np.random.seed(100)
         fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 3, dpi=200, figsize=(12, 3))
         for i in range(0, 3):
             sample = vehicles.sample(6)
             polynomial_model = Pipeline([
                          ('polynomial_transformation', PolynomialFeatures(5))
                          ('linear_regression', LinearRegression())
                     1)
             polynomial_model.fit(sample[["hp"]], sample["mpg"])
             ax[i].scatter(sample[["hp"]], sample["mpg"])
             xs = np.linspace(50, 210, 1000)
             ax[i].plot(xs, polynomial_model.predict(xs[:, np.newaxis]), c="t
             ax[i].set_ylim(-80, 100)
             ax[i].set_xlabel("hp")
             ax[i].set_ylabel("mpg")
             ax[i].set title(f"Resample #{i+1}")
         fig.tight_layout();
```



# **Algorithm: Non-Linear Least Squares**

- Type: Supervised learning (regression)
- Model family: Linear in the parameters; non-linear with respect to raw inputs.
- Features: Non-linear functions of the attributes (one-hot encoding and polynomails)
- Objective function: Mean squared error
- Optimizer: Normal equations (or Gradient Descent)