



CS 4104

APPLIED MACHINE LEARNING

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REGRESSION

Classification vs Regression

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Classification problem

Features					Label
#	Height (inches)	Weight (kgs)	B.P. Sys	B.P. Dia	Heart disease
1	62	70	120	80	No
2	72	90	110	70	No
3	74	80	130	70	No
4	65	120	150	90	Yes
5	67	100	140	85	Yes
6	64	110	130	90	No
7	69	150	170	100	Yes
8	66	125	145	90	?
9	74	67	110	60	?

Feature vector (4-dimensional)

Label vector

Training Data

Test Data

Classification vs Regression

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Regression problem

#	Height (inches)	Weight (kgs)	B.P. Sys	B.P. Dia	Cholesterol Level
1	62	70	120	80	150
2	72	90	110	70	160
3	74	80	130	70	130
4	65	120	150	90	200
5	67	100	140	85	190
6	64	110	130	90	130
7	69	150	170	100	250
8	66	125	145	90	?
9	74	67	110	60	?

LINEAR REGRESSION



Linear Regression with One Variable

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Training set of housing prices	Size in feet ² (x)	Price (\$) in 1000's (y)
	2104	460
	1416	232
	1534	315
	852	178

Notation:

m = Number of training examples

x 's = “input” variable / features

y 's = “output” variable / “target” variable

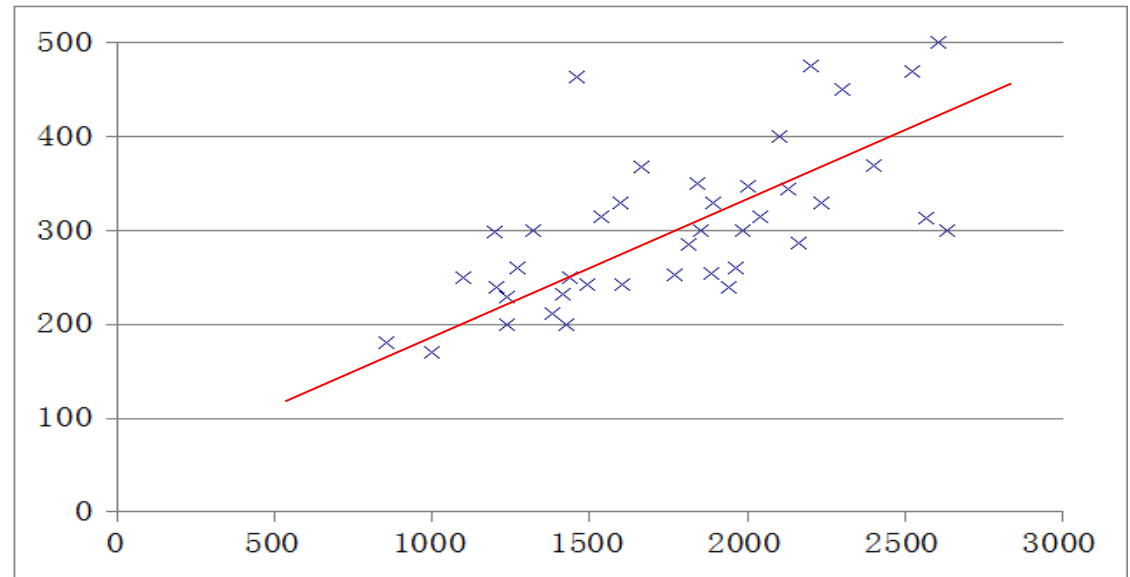
One Training example (x, y)
 i^{th} training example $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$

Linear Regression with One Variable

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Housing Prices (Portland, OR)

Price
(in 1000s
of dollars)



Size (feet²)

Supervised Learning

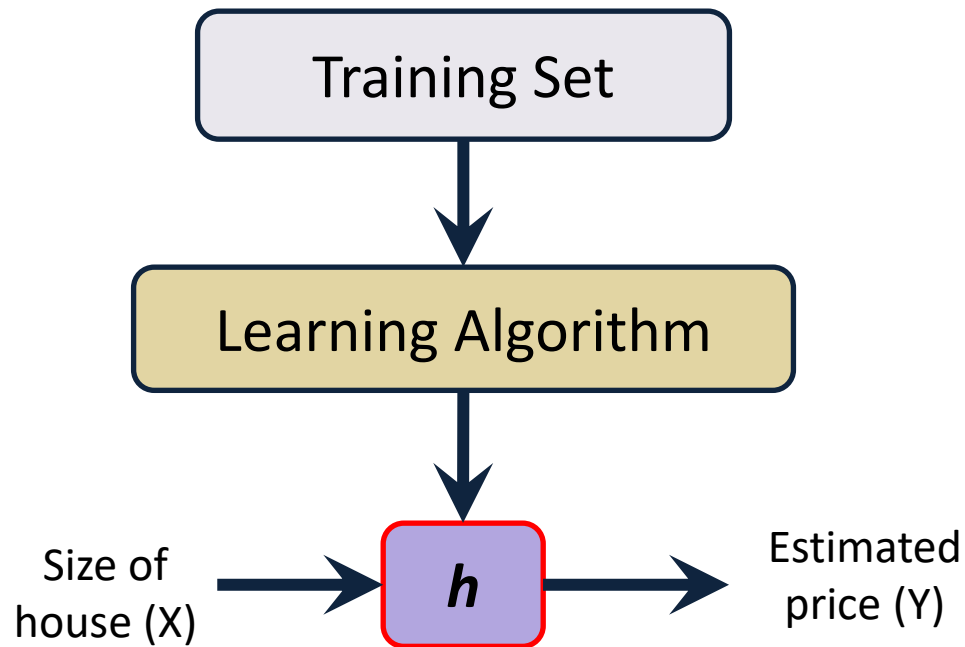
Given the “right answer” for each example in the data.

Regression Problem

Predict *real-valued* output

Regression

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Question : How to describe h ?

$$h: X \rightarrow Y$$

Regression Example

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Hypothesis: $h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$

θ_i 's: Parameters

How to choose θ_i 's ?

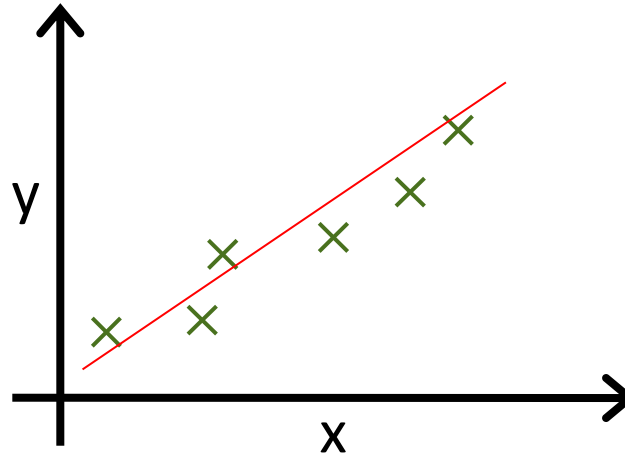
Regression

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- How to choose these parameters , θ (regression coefficient)?
- The standard approach is the least square method, through which parameters are minimized
- The machine learning program optimizes the parameters, θ , such that the approximation error is minimized.

Regression

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Idea: Choose θ_0, θ_1 so that $h_{\theta}(x)$ is close to y for our training examples (x, y)

Cost Function

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Hypothesis:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

Parameters:

$$\theta_0, \theta_1$$

Cost Function:

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

Goal: minimize $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$
 θ_0, θ_1

Simplified:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_1 x$$

$$\theta_1$$

$$J(\theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

minimize $J(\theta_1)$
 θ_1

REGRESSION EXAMPLE

Cost Function ... Example

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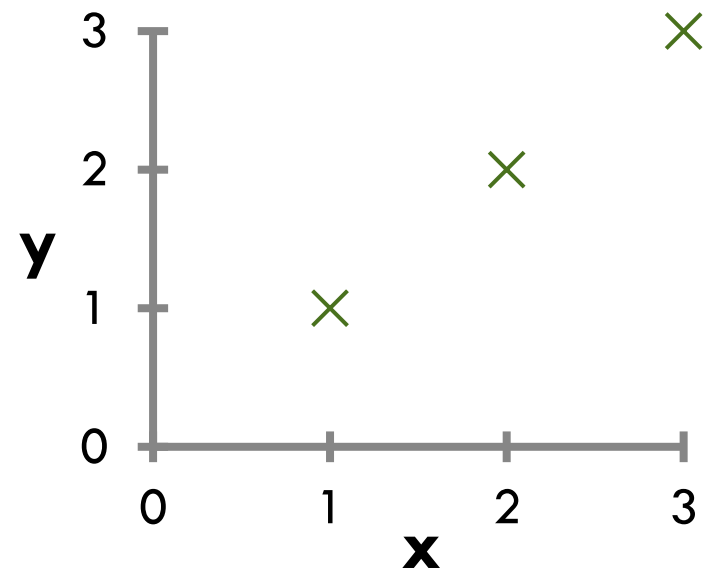
Consider the given cost function, hypothesis and the datapoints. Find out the cost function values, when the parameter (θ_1) values are: 0, 0.5 and 1,

$$J(\theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_1 x$$

x	y
1	1
2	2
3	3

$\theta_1 = 0,$
 $\theta_1 = 0.5$
 $\theta_1 = 1$



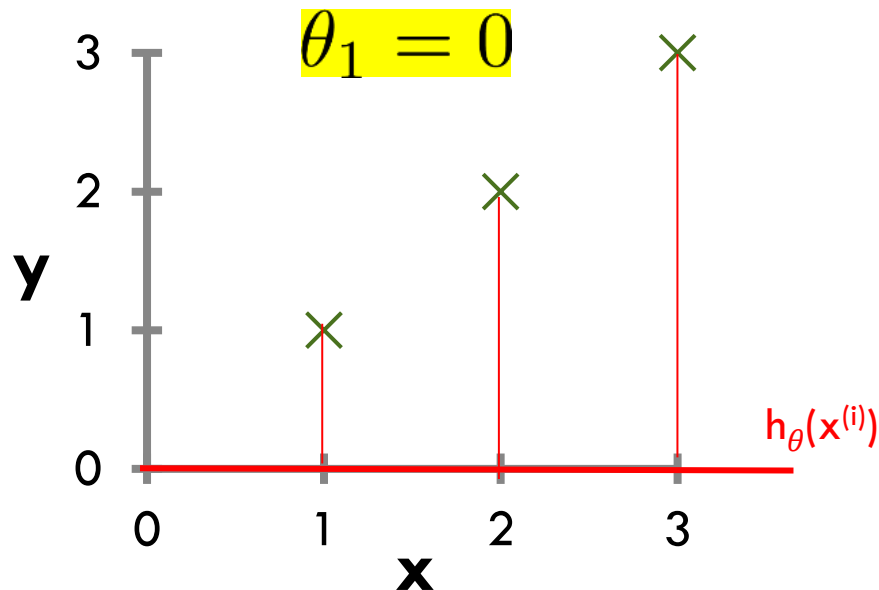
Cost Function

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$$J(\theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_1 x$$

$h_{\theta}(x)$ (for fixed θ_1 , this is a function of x)



x	y
1	1
2	2
3	3

$$h_1 = 0 \times 1 = 0$$

$$h_2 = 0 \times 2 = 0$$

$$h_3 = 0 \times 3 = 0$$

$J(\theta_1)$ (function of the parameter θ_1)

$$\begin{aligned} J(\theta_1) &= J(0) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_1 x^i - y^i)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} [(0 - 1)^2 + (0 - 2)^2 + (0 - 3)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \times 3} [1 + 4 + 9] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \times 14 = 2.3 \end{aligned}$$

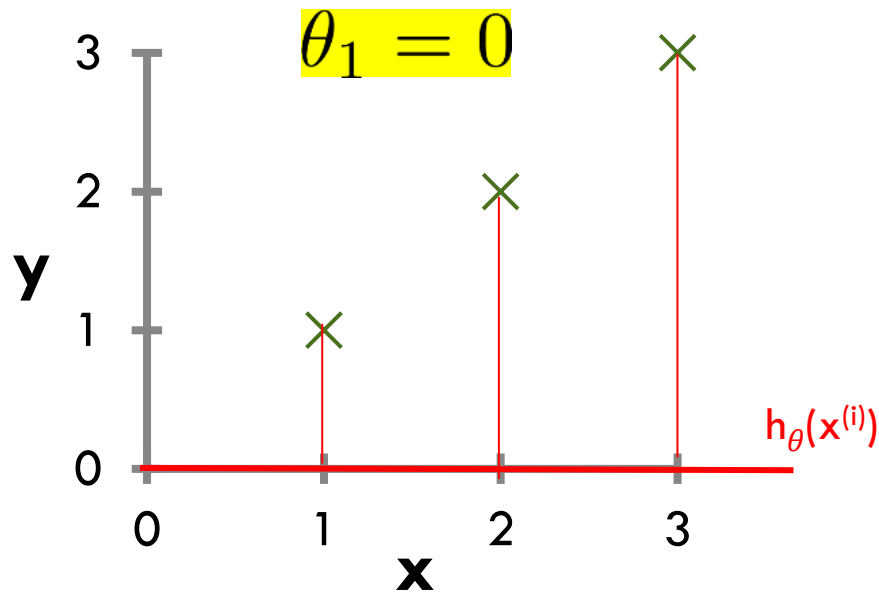
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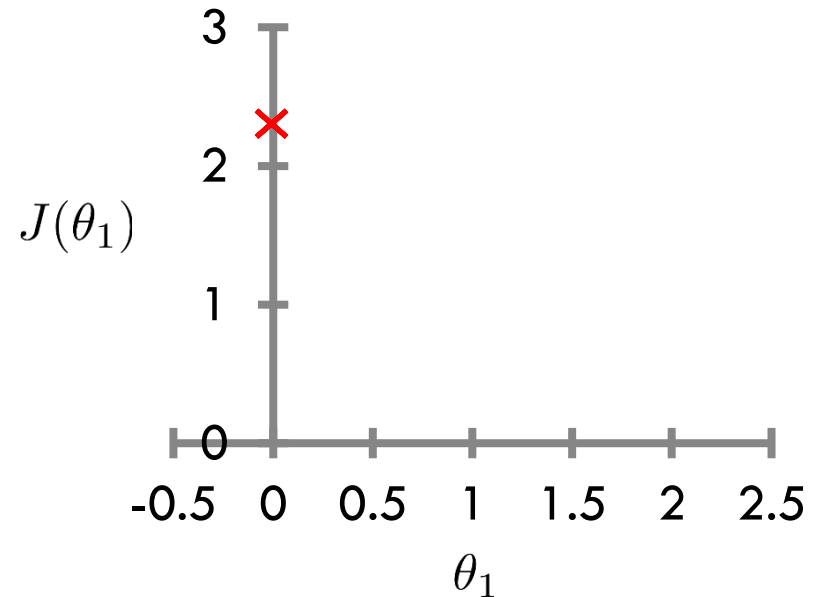
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$h_{\theta}(x)$ (for fixed θ_1 , this is a function of x)



$$\begin{aligned} J(0) &= \frac{1}{2 \times 3} \sum_{i=1}^3 [1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \times 14 = 2.3 \end{aligned}$$

$J(\theta_1)$ (function of the parameter θ_1)



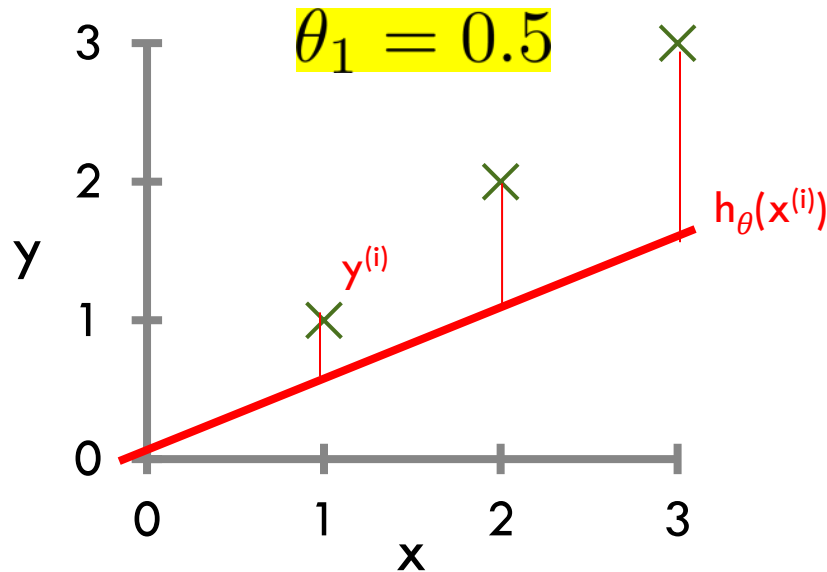
Cost Function

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$$J(\theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_1 x$$

$h_{\theta}(x)$ (for fixed θ_1 , this is a function of x)



x	y
1	1
2	2
3	3

$$h_1 = 0.5 \times 1 = 0.5$$

$$h_2 = 0.5 \times 2 = 1$$

$$h_3 = 0.5 \times 3 = 1.5$$

$J(\theta_1)$ (function of the parameter θ_1)

$$\begin{aligned} J(\theta_1) &= J(0.5) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^i) - y^i)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_1 x^i - y^i)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} [(0.5 - 1)^2 + (1 - 2)^2 + (1.5 - 3)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2 \times 3} [(-0.5)^2 + (-1)^2 + (-1.5)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \times (3.5) = 0.58 \end{aligned}$$

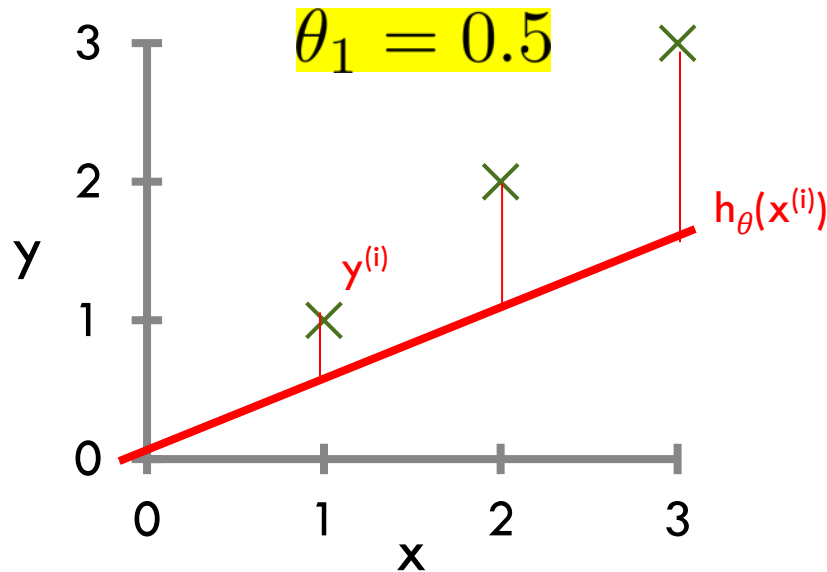
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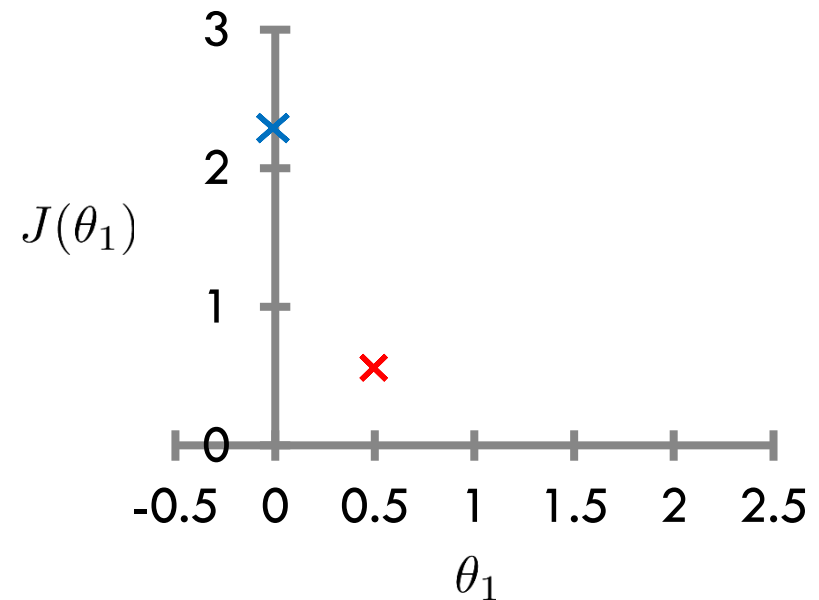
$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_1 x$$

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$h_{\theta}(x)$ (for fixed θ_1 , this is a function of x)



$J(\theta_1)$ (function of the parameter θ_1)



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$$J(0.5) = 0.58$$

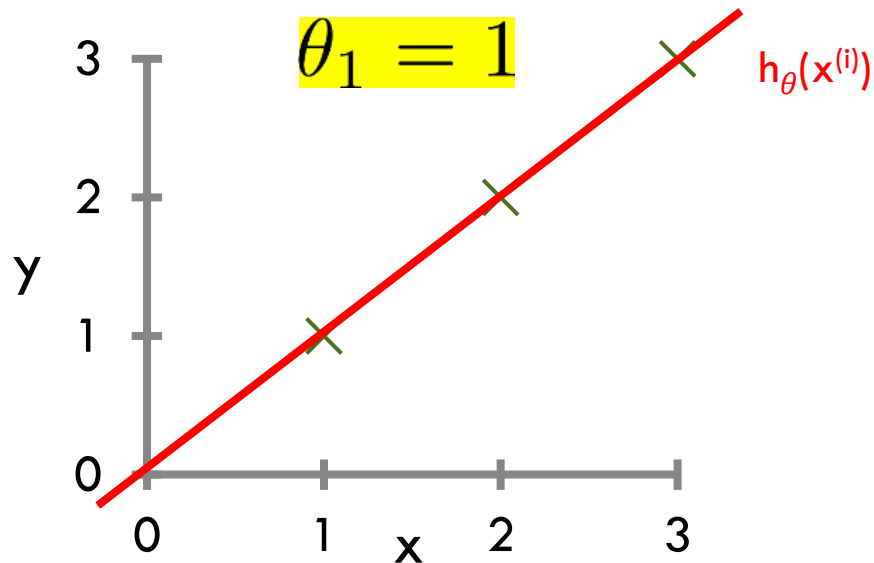
Cost Function

$$J(\theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_1 x$$

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$h_{\theta}(x)$ (for fixed θ_1 , this is a function of x)



$$h_1 = 1 \times 1 = 1$$

$$h_2 = 1 \times 2 = 2$$

$$h_3 = 1 \times 3 = 3$$

$J(\theta_1)$ (function of the parameter θ_1)

$$J(\theta_1) = J(1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^i) - y^i)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_1 x^i - y^i)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2m} [(1 - 1)^2 + (2 - 2)^2 + (3 - 3)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2m} (0^2 + 0^2 + 0^2) = 0$$

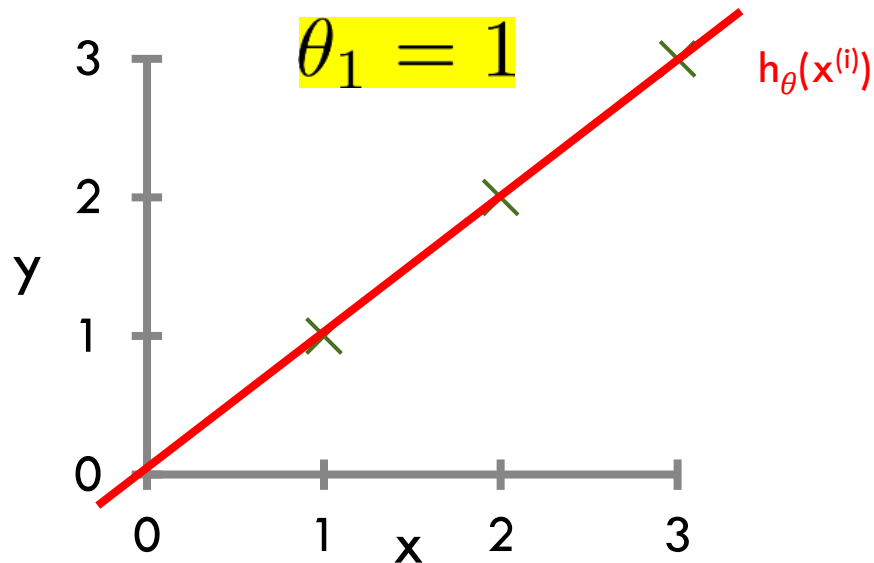
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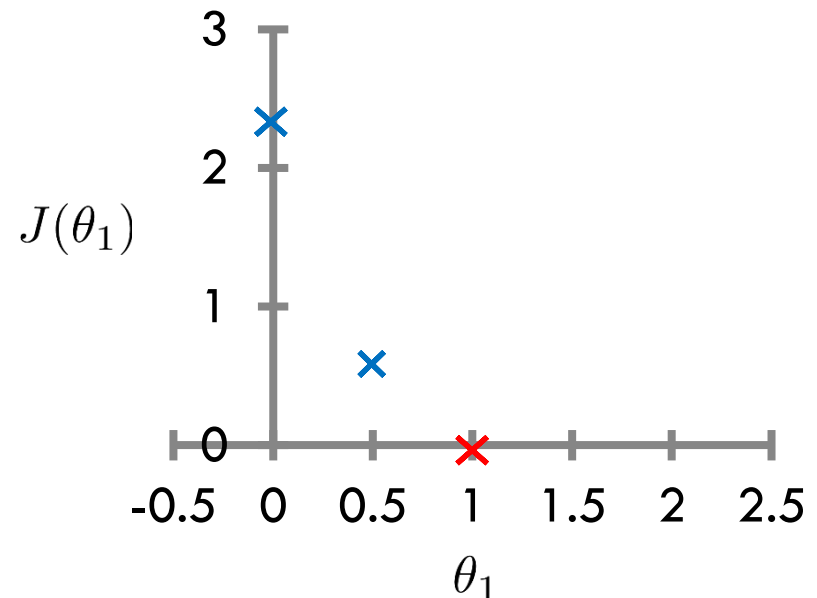
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$$J(1) = 0$$

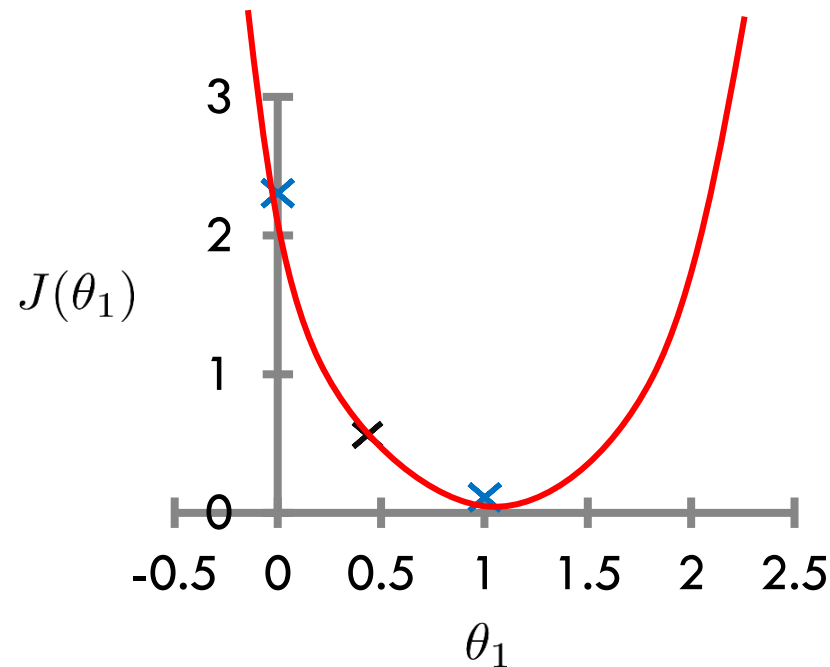
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$h_{\theta}(x)$ (for fixed θ_1 , this is a function of x).

$J(\theta_1)$ (function of the parameter θ_1)



What's next?

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Have some function $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

Want $\min_{\theta_0, \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$



Outline:

- Start with some random values θ_0, θ_1
- **Keep changing** θ_0, θ_1 to reduce $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

until we hopefully end up at a minimum

GRADIENT DESCENT

Partial Derivatives ... Preliminaries

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Say for instance, we have a function:

$$f(x, y) = x^4 + y^7$$

partial derivative of the function w.r.t 'x' will be :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 4x^3 + 0$$

treating 'y' as a constant

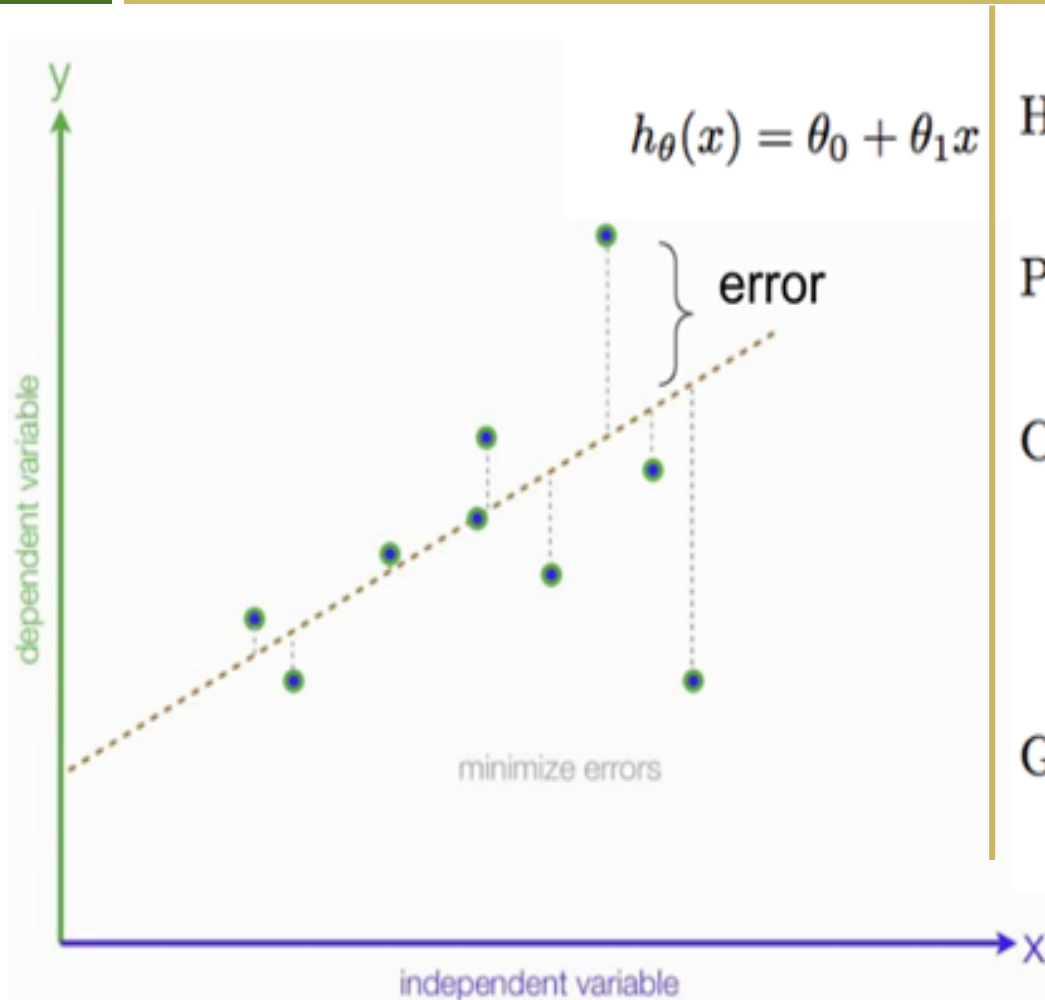
And partial derivative of the function w.r.t 'y' will be :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0 + 7y^6$$

treating 'x' as a constant

Gradient Descent

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Hypothesis:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

Parameters:

$$\theta_0, \theta_1$$

Cost Function:

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

Goal:

$$\underset{\theta_0, \theta_1}{\text{minimize}} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

Gradient Descent

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Have some function $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

Want $\min_{\theta_0, \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

Outline:

- Start with some θ_0, θ_1
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Gradient Descent

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Gradient descent algorithm

repeat until convergence {
 $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$ (simultaneously update
 $j = 0$ and $j = 1$)
}

Notice : α is the learning rate.

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

Gradient Descent

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Gradient descent algorithm

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}

Correct: Simultaneous update

$$\text{temp0} := \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

$$\text{temp1} := \theta_1 - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

$$\theta_0 := \text{temp0}$$

$$\theta_1 := \text{temp1}$$

Incorrect:

$$\text{temp0} := \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

$$\theta_0 := \text{temp0}$$

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Gradient Descent

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Gradient Descent

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

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Partial Derivative w.r.t. θ_0

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta_0, \theta_1)}{\partial \theta_0} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta_0, \theta_1)}{\partial \theta_0} = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta_0, \theta_1)}{\partial \theta_0} = 2 \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)})$$

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta_0, \theta_1)}{\partial \theta_0} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)}) (1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})$$

Gradient Descent

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

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Partial Derivative w.r.t. θ_1

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

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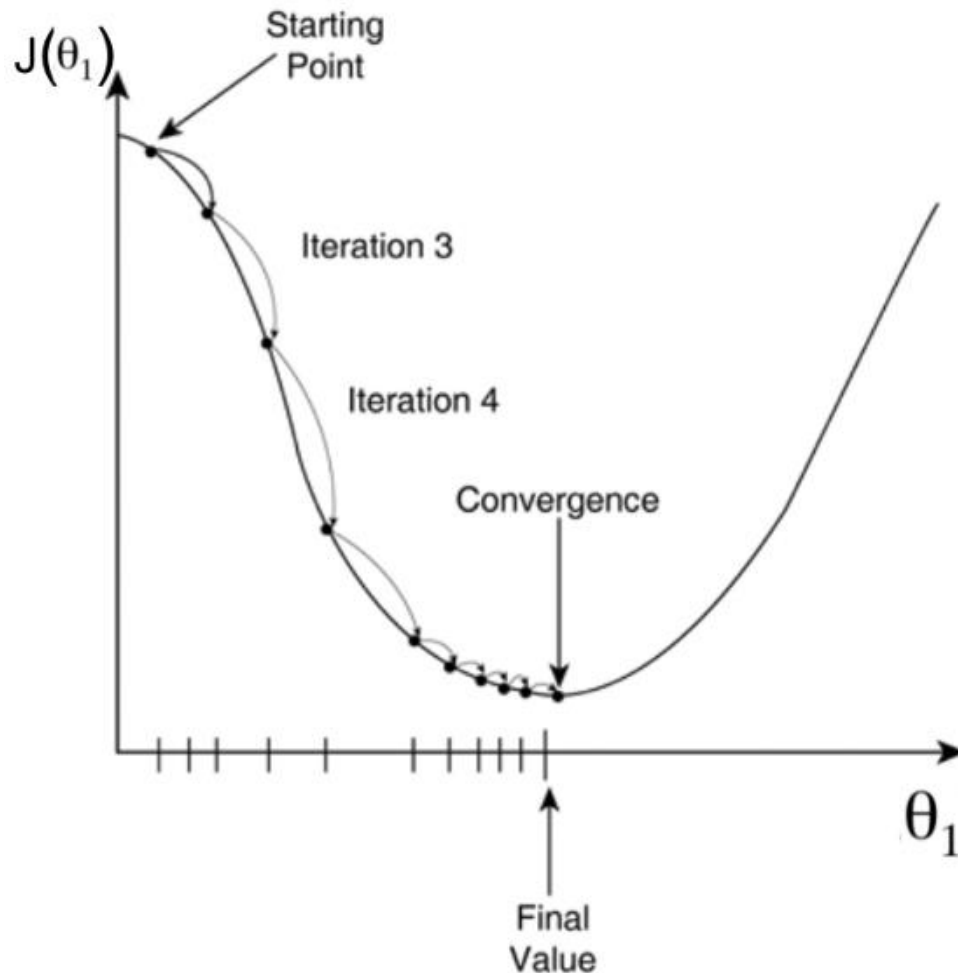
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$$\frac{\partial J(\theta_0, \theta_1)}{\partial \theta_1} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)}) x^{(i)} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x^{(i)}$$

Gradient Descent

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Cost Function – “One Half Mean Squared Error”:

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

Objective:

$$\min_{\theta_0, \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

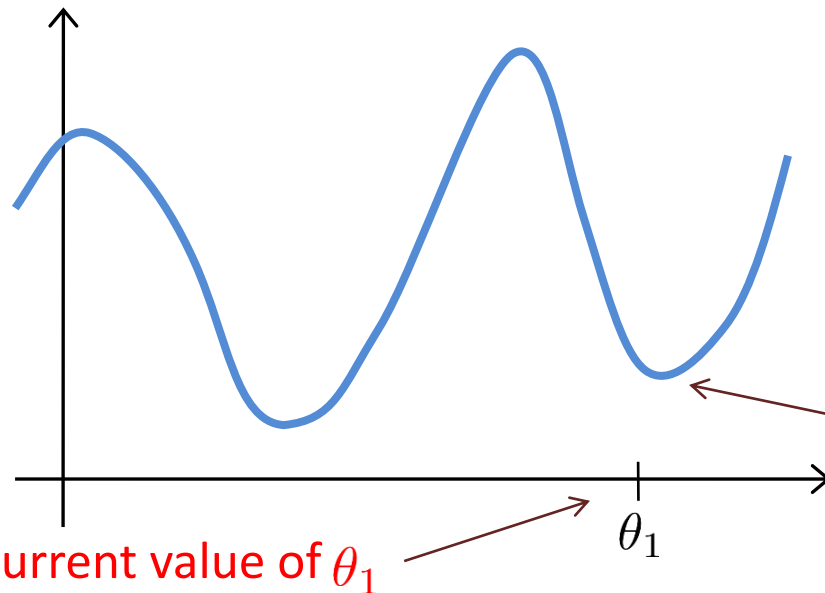
Derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) \cdot x^{(i)}$$

Gradient Descent ... Learning Rate

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$$\theta_1 := \theta_1 - \alpha \frac{d}{d\theta_1} J(\theta_1)$$

Unchange

Gradient descent can converge to a local minimum, even with the learning rate α fixed.

As we approach a local minimum, gradient descent will automatically take smaller steps. So, no need to decrease α over time.

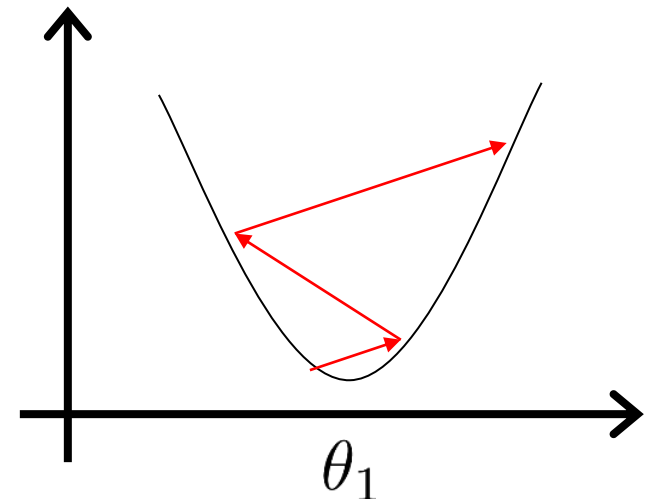
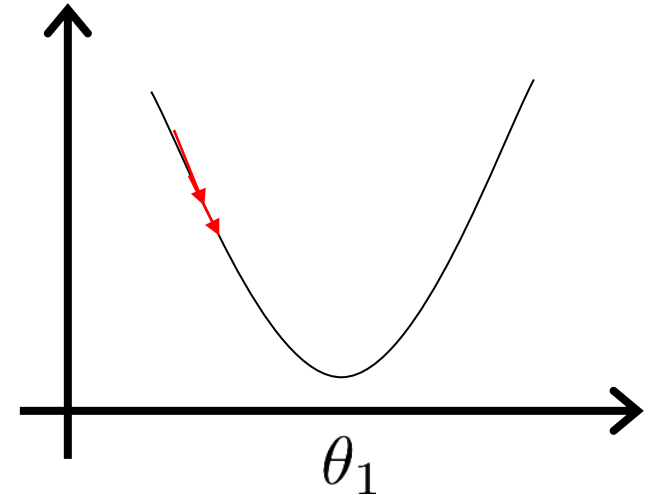
Gradient Descent ... Learning Rate

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$$\theta_1 := \theta_1 - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_1)$$

If α is too small, gradient descent can be slow.

If α is too large, gradient descent can overshoot the minimum. It may fail to converge.



Summary

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$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

Objective: $\min_{\theta_0, \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

Update rules: $\theta_0 := \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

$$\theta_1 := \theta_1 - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

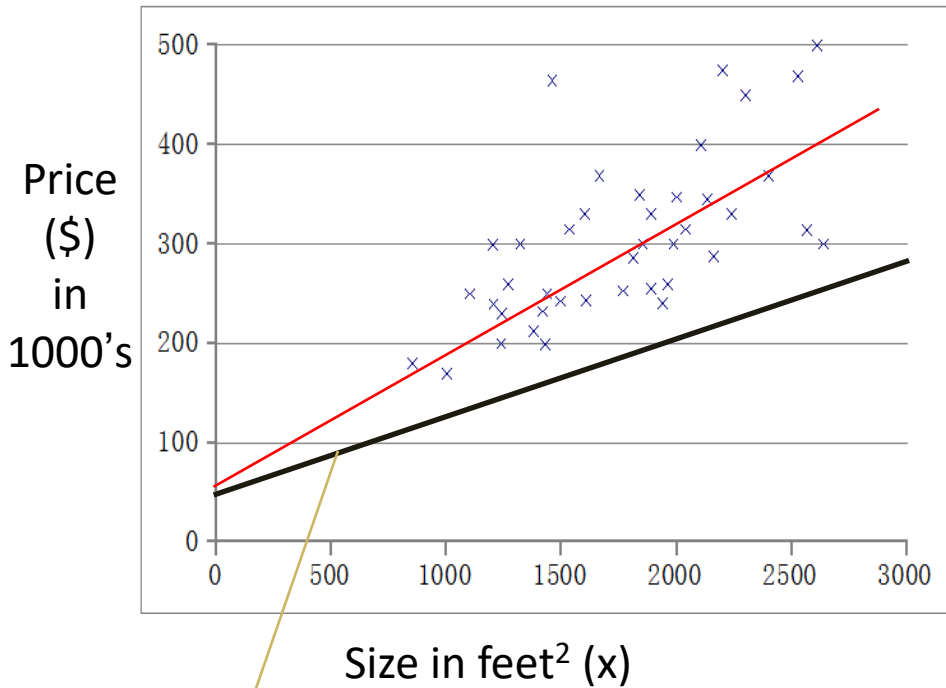
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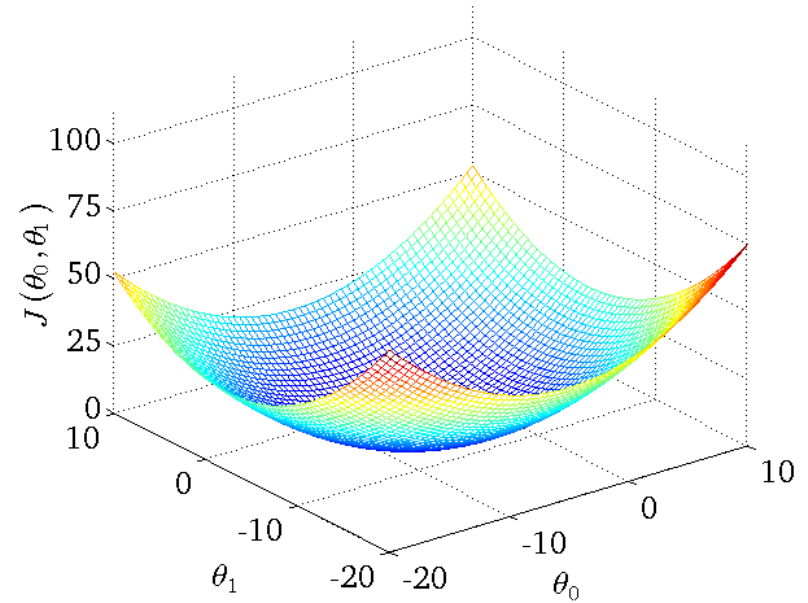
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) \cdot x^{(i)}$$

Regression ... Example

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$$h_{\theta}(x) = 50 + 0.06x$$



$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$\underset{\theta_0, \theta_1}{\text{minimize}} \quad J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$$

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