

Linear Models [Discriminant Functions]

Recall from Bayes Rule that we choose the class w/ the largest posterior probability

$$w^* = \arg \max_{w \in \Sigma} \boxed{p(x|w)p(w)} \rightarrow \propto \underbrace{P(w|x)}_{\text{posterior}}$$

Two ways of modelling

- **Generative** $\rightarrow p(x|w)p(w)$ [Difficult to do for complex data]
- **Discriminative** $\rightarrow p(w|x)$

$$y \in \{\pm 1\}$$

$$\boxed{g(x) = w^T x + b}$$

$b \in \mathbb{R}$
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$
 $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$y = \text{sign}(g)$$

$$\boxed{\text{Find } w \text{ \& } b}$$

The magnitude of w_j is going to stress the importance of component j

Quadratic

$$g(x) = x^T W x + w^T x + b$$

W is a matrix

$$X \rightarrow RV$$

Linear Regression

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

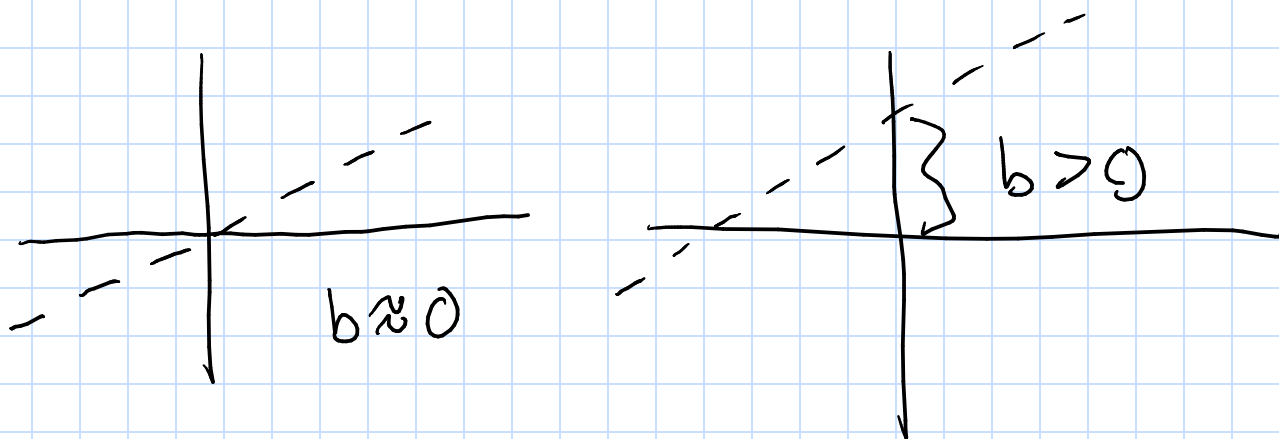
$$\boxed{\hat{y} = w_0 + \sum_{j=1}^d w_j x_j = w^T x}$$

Simple linear model. How do I find the parameters

$$\begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix}$$

$\in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$
* note of caution

$$\|w\|_2^2$$



Least Squares

→ # of samples in my training data

$$L(w) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - w^T x_i)^2$$

\downarrow \downarrow
 ground prediction
 truth on x_i

$$= (\vec{y} - \vec{X}\vec{w})^T (\vec{y} - \vec{X}\vec{w}) \quad \begin{array}{l} \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \vec{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d} \\ w \in \mathbb{R}^d \end{array}$$

matrix notation
 $n \times 1$ $(n \times d)(d \times 1)$