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# Linear Regression with multiple variables

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1534	315
852	178
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Notation:	...	...	...	...

$n$  = number of features

$x^{(i)}$  = input (features) of training example.

$x_j^{(i)}$  = value of feature  $j^{th}$  in training example.

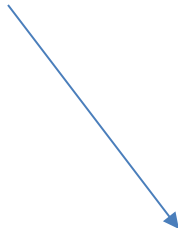
Hypothesis:

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

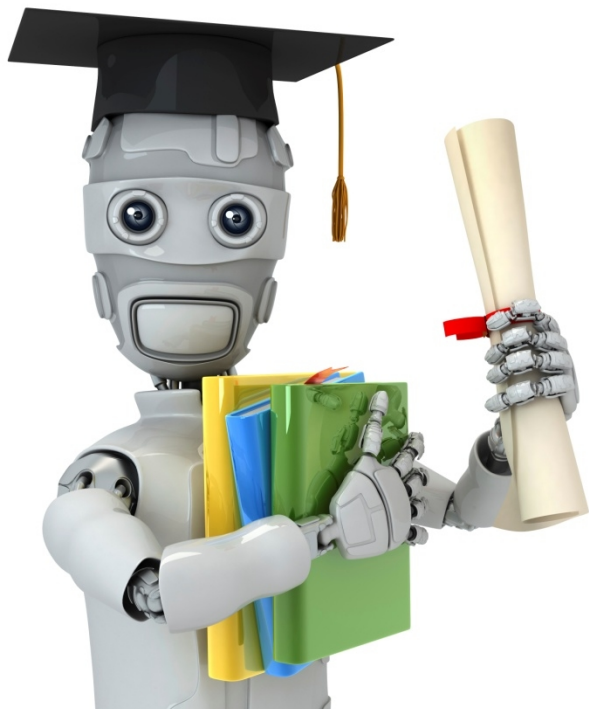
$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \cdots + \theta_n x_n$$

For convenience of notation, define

Multivariate linear regression.



$1 * (n+1)$



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~~Gradient~~  
descent for  
multiple  
variables

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Hypothesis  $h_{\theta}(x) = \theta^T x = \theta_0 x_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_n x_n$

Parameter  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$

Cost function:

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

Gradient

descent:

repeat {  
  at  $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta_0, \dots, \theta_n)$

}

(simultaneously update for every  $j = 0, \dots, n$ )

# Gradient Descent

Previously (n=1):

Repeat{

$$\theta_0 := \theta_0 - \alpha \underbrace{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})}_{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} J(\theta)}$$

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

(simultaneously update  $\theta_1$ )

}

New algorithm ( $m \geq 1$ ) :

Repeat{

$$\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})x_j^{(i)}$$

(simultaneously update  
for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ )

}

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$$\theta_0 := \theta_0 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})x_0^{(i)}$$

$$\theta_1 := \theta_1 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})x_1^{(i)}$$

$$\theta_2 := \theta_2 - \alpha \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})x_2^{(i)}$$

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# Linear Regression with multiple variables Gradient descent in practice I: Feature Scaling

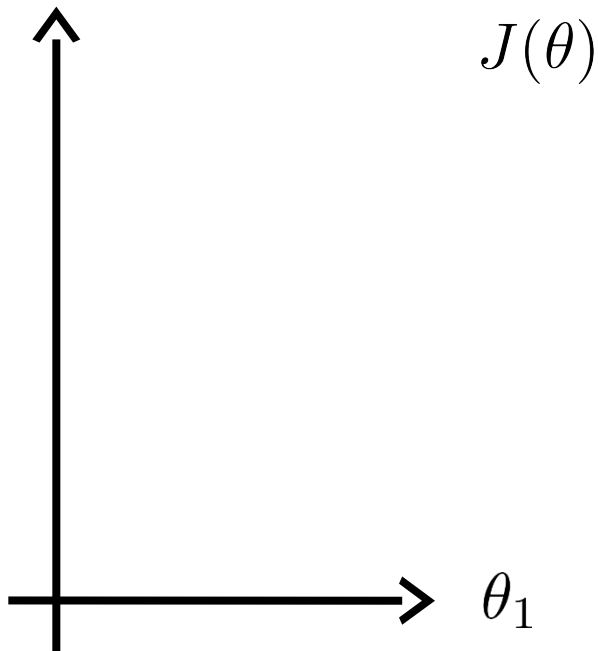
# Feature Scaling

Idea: Make sure features are on a similar scale.

E.g.  $x_1$  = size (0-2000 feet<sup>2</sup>)  
 $x_2$  = number of bedrooms

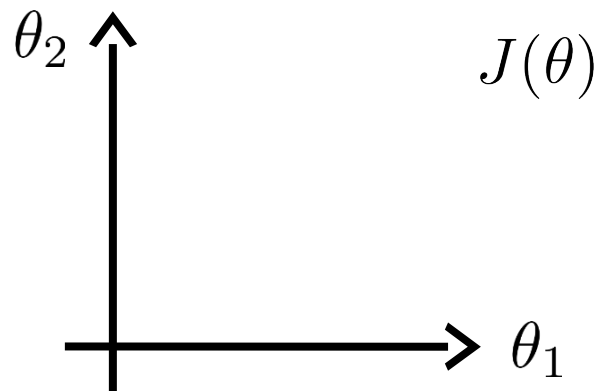
(1-5)

$\theta_2$



$$x_1 = \frac{\text{size}}{2000} \text{ (feet}^2\text{)}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{\text{number of bedrooms}}{5}$$



# Feature Scaling

Get every feature into approximately the  $x_i \leq 1$  range.

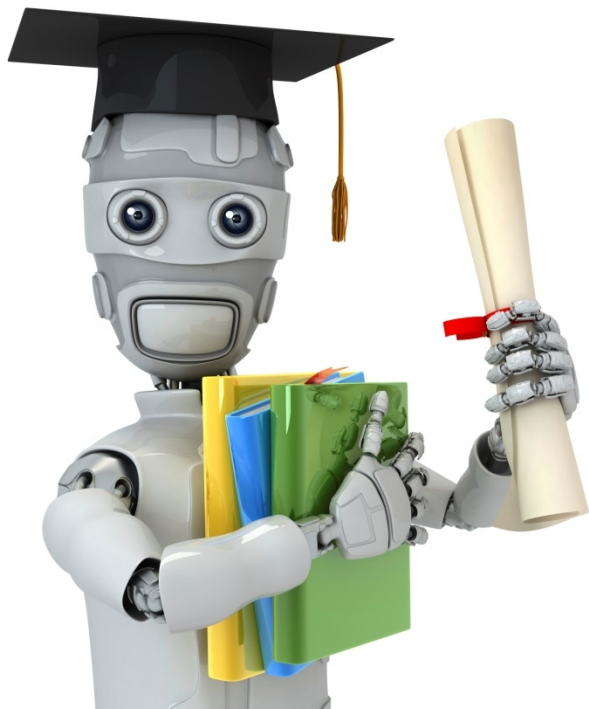
# Mean normalization

Replace  $x_i$  with  $x_i - \mu_i$  to make features have approximately zero mean (Do not apply to  $x_0$ !).

E.g.  $x_1 = \frac{size - 1000}{2000}$

$$x_2 = \frac{\#bedrooms - 2}{5}$$

$$-0.5 \leq x_1 \leq 0.5, -0.5 \leq x_2 \leq 0.5$$



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# Linear Regression with multiple variables

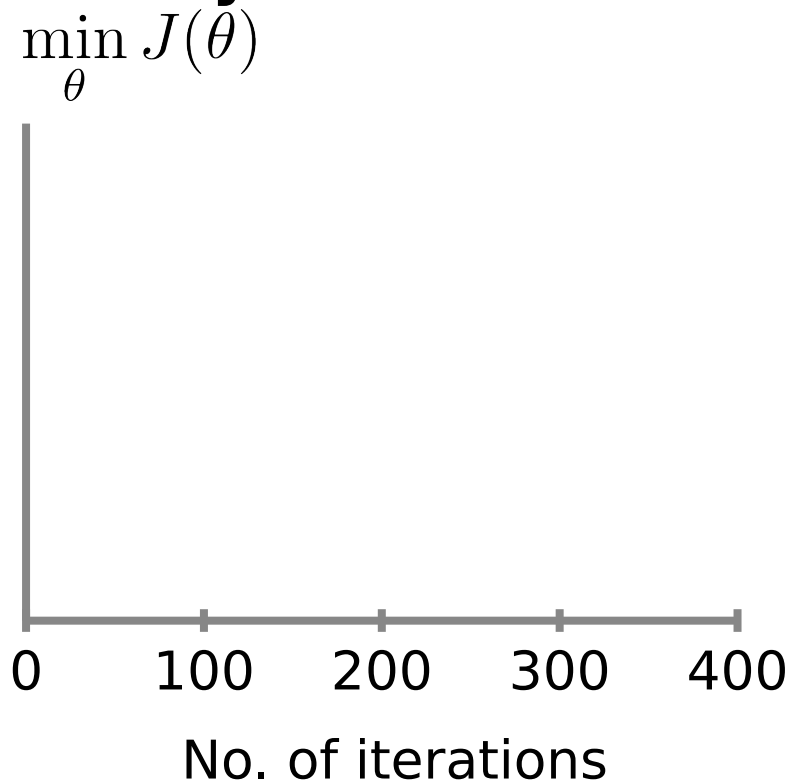
Gradient descent in  
practice II: Learning  
rate

# Gradient descent

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

- “Debugging”: How to make sure gradient descent is working correctly.
- How to choose learning rate  $\alpha$ .

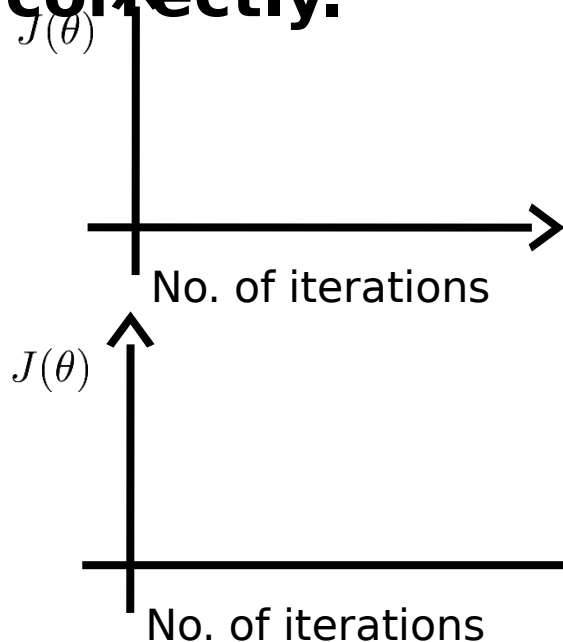
# Making sure gradient descent is working correctly.



Example automatic convergence test:

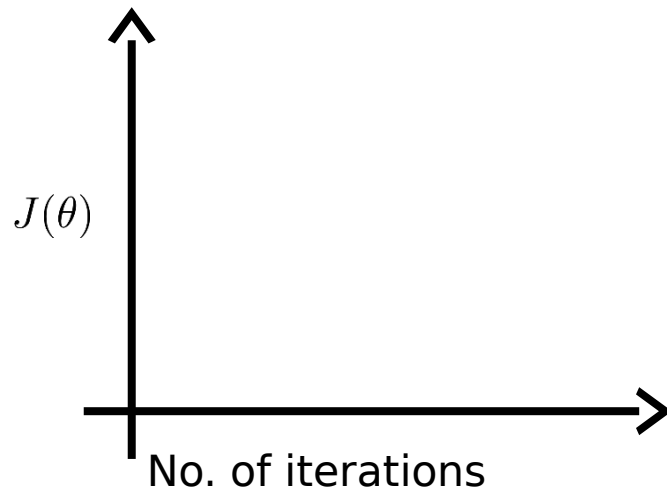
Declare  $J(\theta)$   
convergence if  $10^{-3}$   
decreases by less  
than in one  
iteration.

# Making sure gradient descent is working correctly.



Gradient descent not working.

Use smaller  $\alpha$ .



- For sufficiently small  $\alpha$ ,  $J(\theta)$  should decrease on every iteration.
- But if  $\alpha$  is too small, gradient descent can be slow to

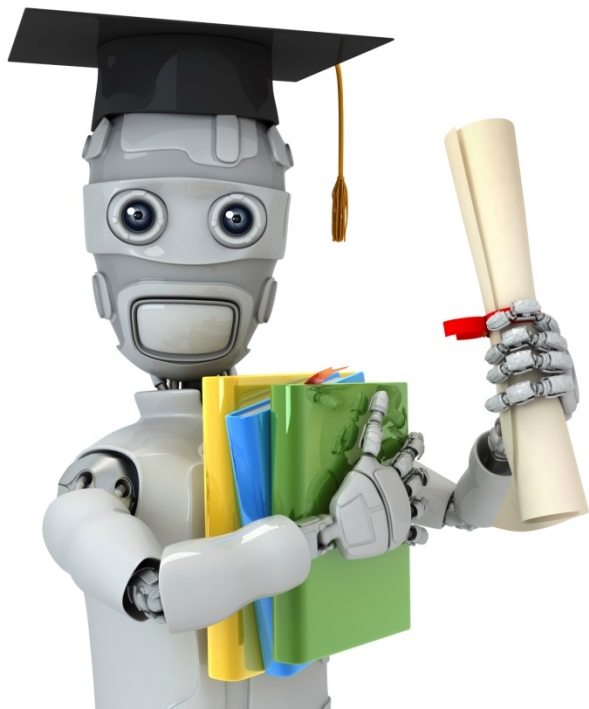


## Summary:

- If  $\alpha$  is too small: slow convergence.
- If  $\alpha$  is too large:  $J(\theta)$  may not decrease on every iteration; may not converge.

To choose  $\alpha$ , try

$\dots, 0.001, \quad , 0.01, \quad , 0.1, \quad , 1, \dots$



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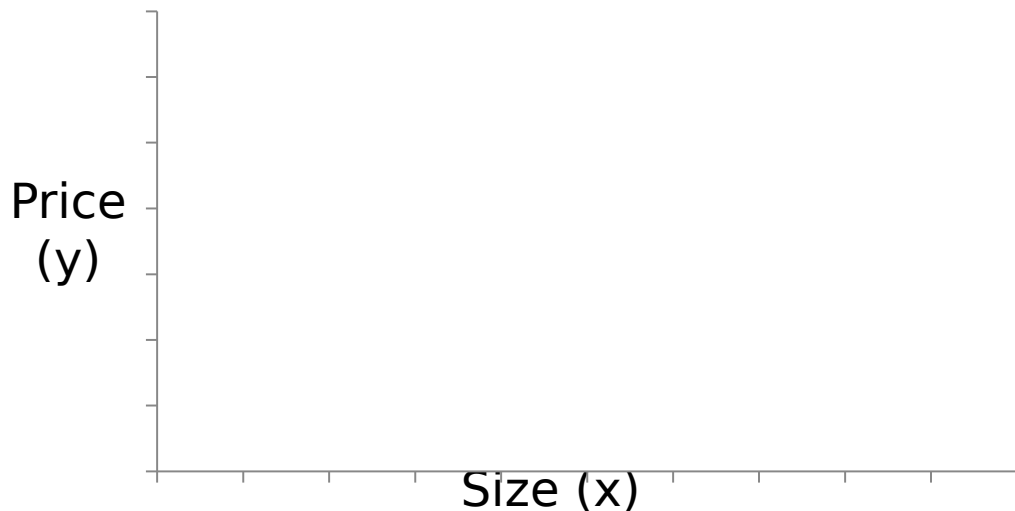
Features and  
polynomial  
regression

# Housing prices prediction

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 \times \textit{frontage} + \theta_2 \times \textit{depth}$$



# Polynomial regression



$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2$$

$$\theta_0 + \theta_1 x + \theta_2 x^2 + \theta_3 x^3$$

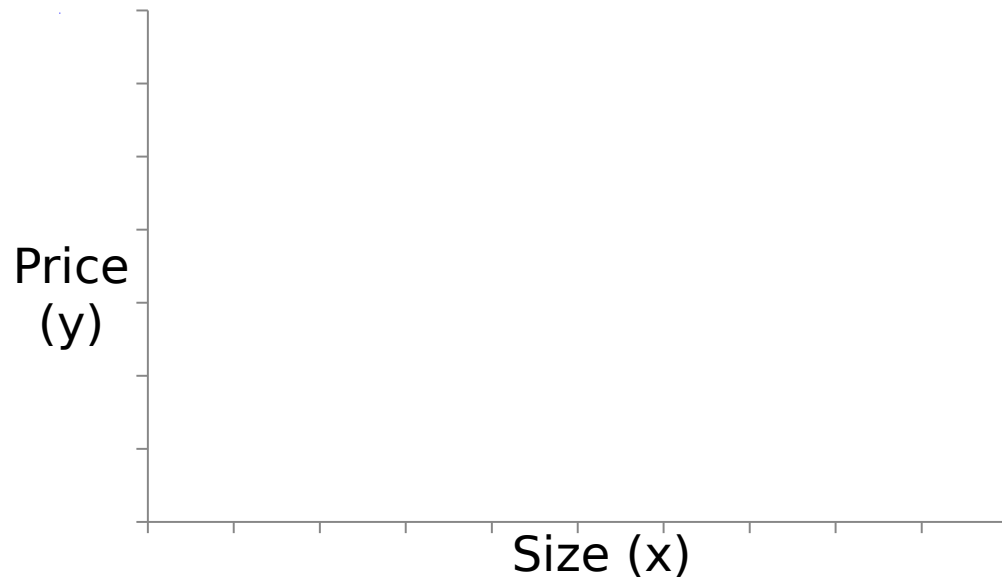
$$\begin{aligned} h_{\theta}(x) &= \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 \\ &= \theta_0 + \theta_1(\text{size}) + \theta_2(\text{size})^2 + \theta_3(\text{size})^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1 = (\text{size})$$

$$x_2 = (\text{size})^2$$

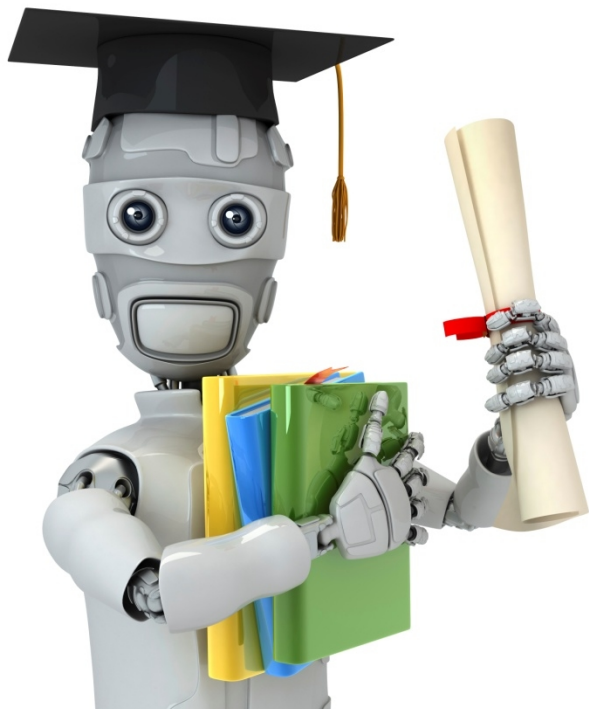
$$x_3 = (\text{size})^3$$

# Choice of features



$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1(\text{size}) + \theta_2(\text{size})^2$$

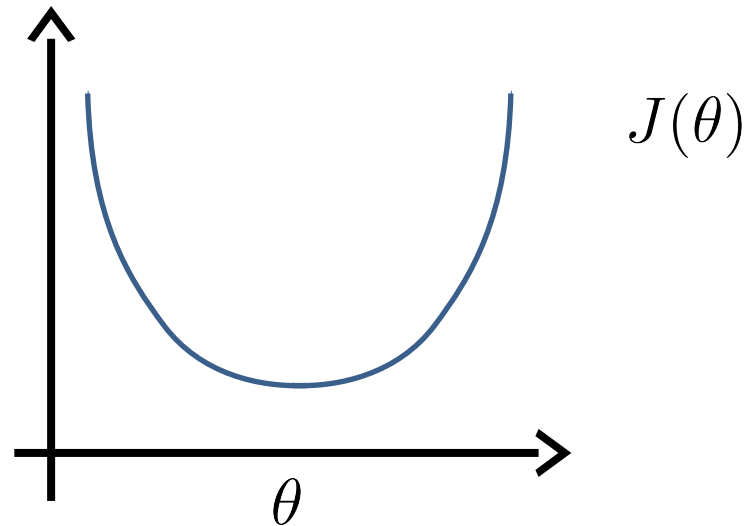
$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1(\text{size}) + \theta_2\sqrt{(\text{size})}$$



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# Linear Regression with multiple variables Normal equation

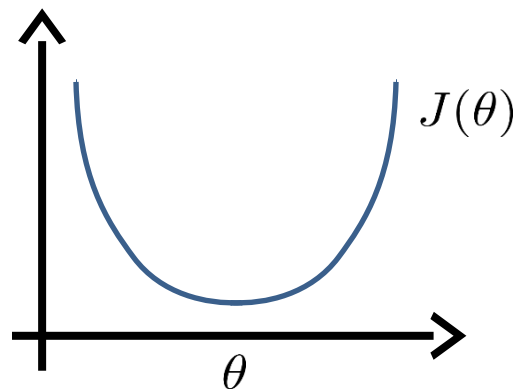
# Gradient Descent



Normal equation: Method to solve for  $\theta$  analytically.

Intuition: If  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$

$$J(\theta) = a\theta^2 + b\theta + c$$



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$$\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \quad J(\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_m) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) = \dots = 0 \quad (\text{for every } j)$$

Solve for  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$



Examples:  $n = 4$ .

$x_0$	Size (feet <sup>2</sup> ) $x_1$	Number of bedroom s $x_2$	Number of floors $x_3$	Age of home (years) $x_4$	Price (\$1000) $y$
1	2104	5	1	45	460
1	1416	3	2	40	232
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$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2104 & 5 & 1 & 45 \\ 1 & 1416 & 3 & 2 & 40 \\ 1 & 1534 & 3 & 2 & 30 \\ 1 & 852 & 2 & 1 & 36 \end{bmatrix}$ 
 $y = \begin{bmatrix} 460 \\ 232 \\ 315 \\ 178 \end{bmatrix}$

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

$m$  **examples**,  $(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$   $n$   
**; features.**

$$x^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0^{(i)} \\ x_1^{(i)} \\ x_2^{(i)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(i)} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

E.g.  $x^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_1^{(i)} \end{bmatrix}$

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

$(X^T X)^{-1}$  is inverse of matrix  $X^T X$ .

Octave: `pinv(X' * X) * X' * y`

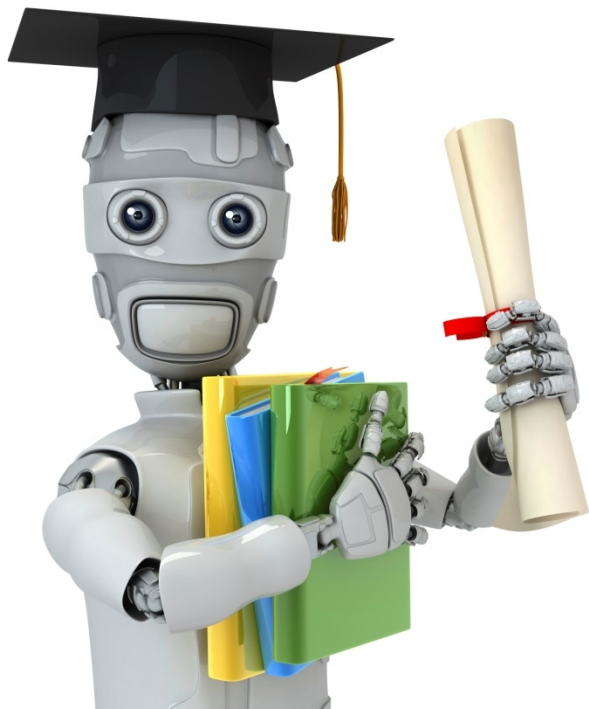
$m$  **training examples,** **features.**

## Gradient Descent

- Need to choose  $\alpha$ .
- Needs many iterations.
- Works well even when  $n$  is large.

## Normal Equation

- No need to choose  $\alpha$ .
- Need to compute  $(X^T X)^{-1}$  (iterate).
- Slow if  $n$  is very large.



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Linear Regression  
with multiple  
variables  
Normal equation  
and non-  
invertibility  
(optional)

# Normal equation

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

- What if  $X^T X$  is non-invertible?  
(singular/ degenerate)
- Octave `pinv(X' * X) * X' * y`

What if  $X^T X$  is non-invertible?

- Redundant features (linearly dependent).

E.g.  $x_2 = \frac{\text{size in feet}^2}{\text{size in m}^2}$

- Too many features  $m \leq n$   
(e.g. Delete some features, or use regularization).