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1. Regression

Agenda.

Regression

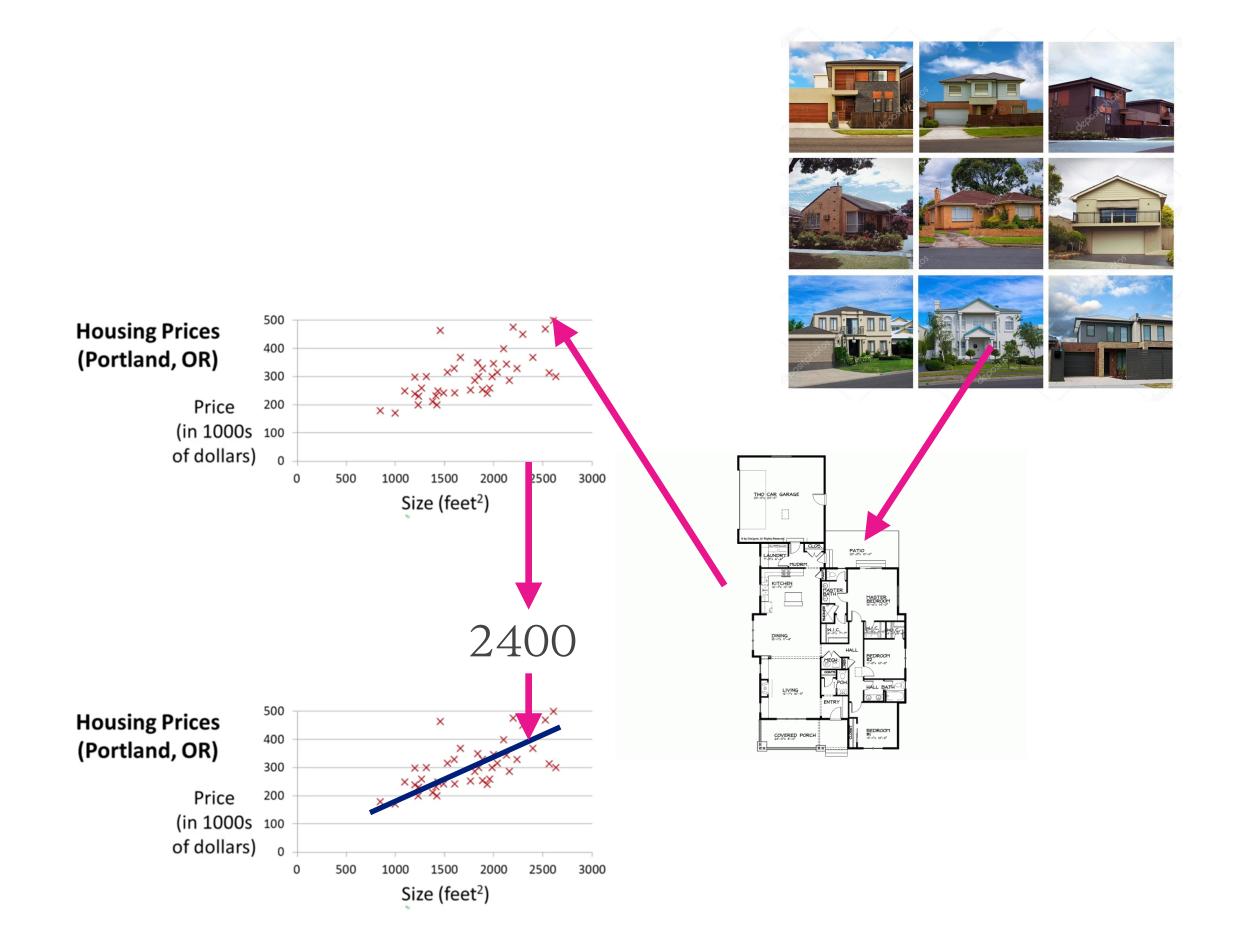
Concept

Regression

The outcome is a continuous value.

We have predictors: **(explanatory)** variables and a continuous response variable(s) (outcome or target).

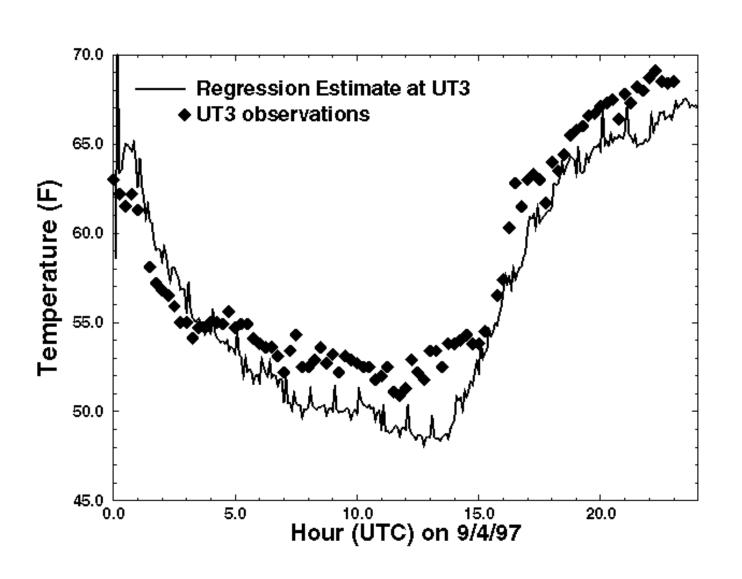
The goal is to find a relationship between those variables that allows us to predict an outcome.



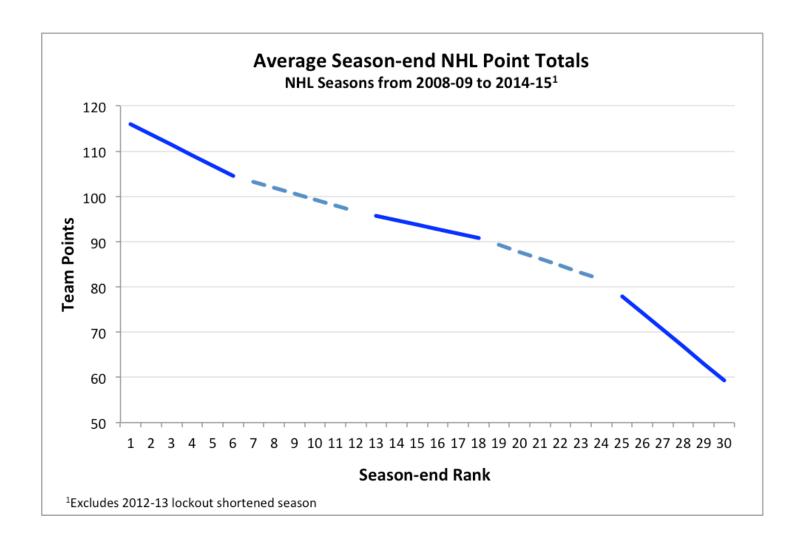
Examples



Sales prediction



Weather prediction



Scores prediction

Some algorithms

- 1. Linear regression
- 2. K-nearest neighbors (KNN)
- 3. Parzen Window
- 4. Random Forest
- 5. Neural Networks

Concept

KNN hypothesis

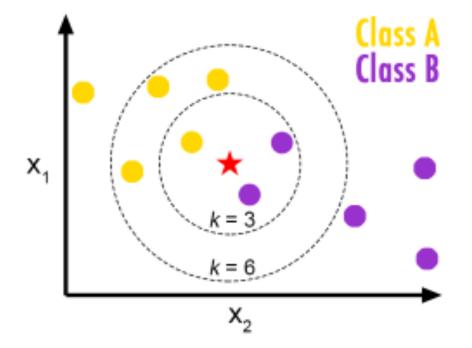
The hypothesis is that the samples with the similar output (continues value, class, etc) must be close to each other.

KNN process

- 1. Store all training examples
- 2. Classify new examples based on most similar training examples

Classification idea

For each new point the nearest k samples are found and the point is assigned to the class that repeats the most in its closest samples.



$$P(x \in \text{Class A}) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(x \in \text{Class B}) = \frac{2}{3}$$

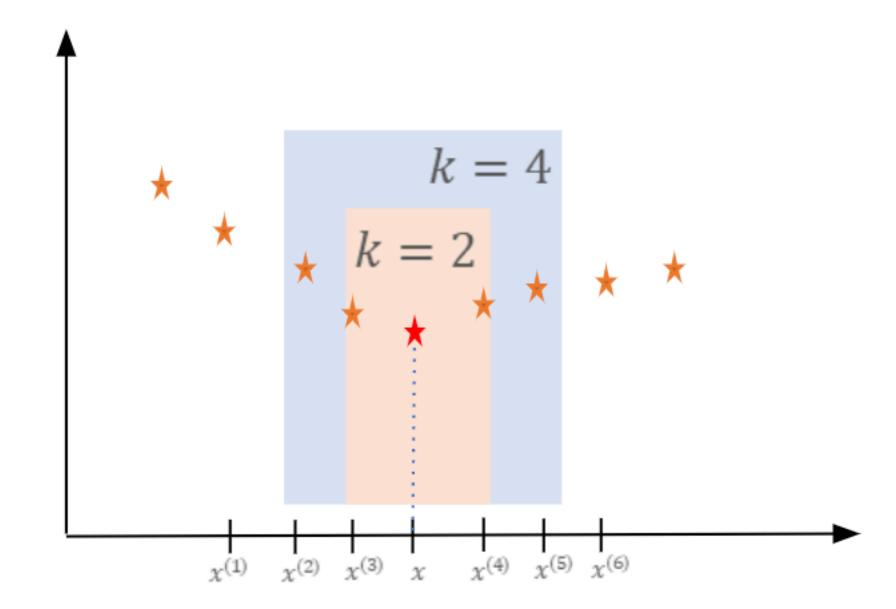
Formula

KNN in regression

Once the nearest k samples are found, we use the labels of these samples and calculate the average.

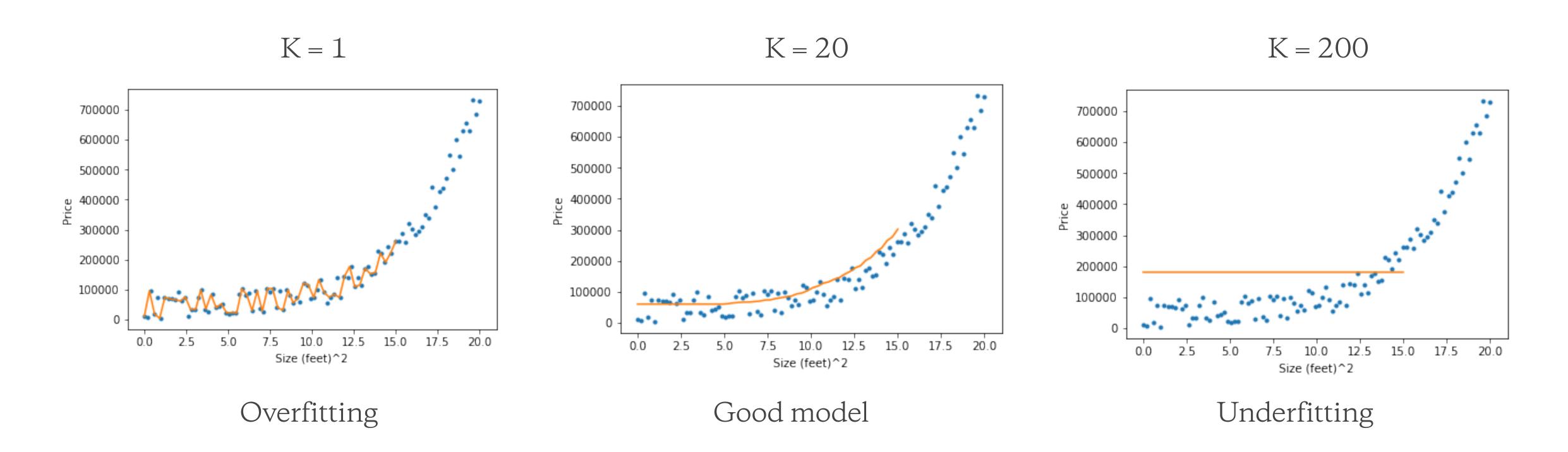
$$h(x) = rac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K y^V$$

Where y^V corresponds to the value $y^{(i)}$ of that accompanies the vector $x^{(i)}$ considered neighbor of x.



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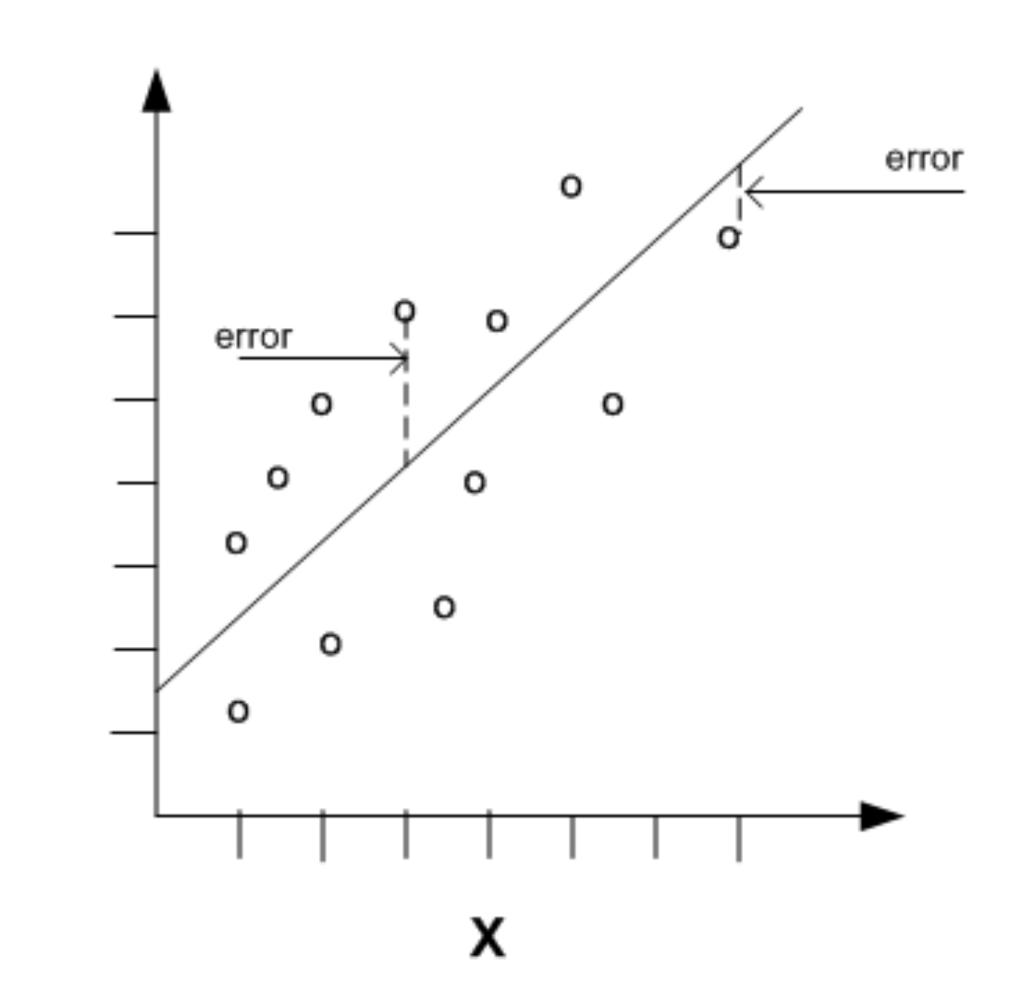
How to choose the number of neighbors K?





Metrics

- 1.MSE
- 2. RMSE
- 3. R-Squared
- 4. MAE
- 5.(R)MSPE, MAPE
- 6.(R)MSLE



Mean squared error

$$MSE = rac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(y_i - \hat{y_i}\right)^2$$

It is used when there is no preference towards the solution method or another metric is not known.

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R-Squared

$$R^2 = 1 - rac{rac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(y_i - \hat{y_i}
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ight)^2} \qquad ar{y} = rac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i$$

Metric that qualifies the quality of the regression between 0 and 1.

- 1. Zero means that the prediction is as bad as predicting for all values a constant equal to \overline{y}
- 2. One means that the term in parentheses is always zero so the prediction is perfect.

Mean absolute error

$$MAE = rac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} |y_i - \hat{y_i}|$$

Easy to justify and is used in finance.

Allows to say how many times one model is better than the other.

A mistake of 10 dollars is twice worse than a mistake of 5 dollars.



Valdation

Two common approaches

Bootstrapping

In this methodology, only the data are divided into a random training set that has 70% (80%) of the data and is tested with the remaining 30% (20%).

This division is made several times and the estimated metric is the average of all iterations.



Cross-validation

Also called n fold cross-validation.

And what is a fold? It's just a subset of the data. These folds are randomly generated.



A powerful model can always memorize ...

A sufficiently complex model can be adjusted to any type of data, what must be done is to know when to stop training or what parameters guarantee the generality.

