# Linear Regression questions

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# Exercise 1 — Univariate Linear Regression

### **Problem Statement**

You are given a dataset containing a single feature and a target value. Your task is to:

- 1. Perform basic Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA).
- 2. Normalize the feature.
- 3. Train a univariate linear regression model using gradient descent (from scratch, no built-in linear regression functions).
- 4. Output the results in the **exact format** given below.
- 5. Predict the target values for feature values 150 and 200 (normalized using the dataset statistics).

Your code must **read the dataset from input** and print the results exactly as specified, with no extra text or formatting.

## **Essential Steps to Implement**

- 1. Read the dataset:
  - $\bullet$  First line: integer N, the number of rows.
  - Next N lines: two space-separated floats feature and target.

#### 2. **EDA**:

- Print the first 5 rows of the dataset (or all rows if N < 5).
- Print the **shape** of the dataset (N, d).
- For each column, print: mean std min max (all rounded to 2 decimal places).

### 3. Feature Normalization:

- Normalize only the feature column to zero mean and unit variance.
- Keep the target values unchanged.

### 4. Model Training:

• Hypothesis:

$$\hat{y} = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

• Initialize:

$$\theta_0 = 0, \quad \theta_1 = 0$$

• Learning rate:

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

• Epochs:

• Mean Squared Error:

$$MSE = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\hat{y}^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^{2}$$

• Gradient Descent Update Rules:

$$\theta_0 \leftarrow \theta_0 - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( \hat{y}^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right)$$

$$\theta_1 \leftarrow \theta_1 - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( \hat{y}^{(i)} - y^{(i)} \right) \cdot x^{(i)}$$

• Do **not** print per-epoch training logs. Only print final results.

### 5. Final Output:

• Print:

Final theta0=TH0 | theta1=TH1 | Final MSE=MSE

where THO and TH1 are printed to 3 decimal places and MSE to 2 decimal places.

• Predict for feature values 150 and 200, printing each prediction on a new line, rounded to 2 decimal places.

# **Input Format**

```
N
feature_1 target_1
feature_2 target_2
...
feature_N target_N
```

# **Output Format**

- 1. First 5 rows of dataset (or all if N; 5)
- 2. Shape (N,d)
- 3. Summary statistics for each column (mean, std, min, max) two lines total
- 4. Final model parameters and MSE
- 5. Predictions for 150 and 200

# **Example Input**

```
20
35 179
42 200
50 221
60 263
67 280
75 314
80 327
90 360
95 377
100 391
110 425
120 462
130 493
140 521
150 552
160 582
175 631
190 675
210 740
```

## **Example Output**

35.0 179.0

230 804

```
42.0 200.0

50.0 221.0

60.0 263.0

67.0 280.0

(20,2)

115.45 55.22 35.00 230.00

439.85 177.34 179.00 804.00

Final theta0=439.831 | theta1=177.293 | Final MSE=7.58

550.77

711.31
```

# Important Notes

- No extra text or headings Moodle grading will fail if formatting is not exact.
- All rounding must be exactly as specified.
- You must implement gradient descent manually do not use libraries like sklearn for training.

# Exercise 2 — Multivariate Linear Regression

### **Problem Statement**

You are given a dataset containing three features:

- 1. House size in m<sup>2</sup>
- 2. Number of bedrooms
- 3. Age of the house in years

and a target value: price (in lakhs).

Your task is to:

- 1. Perform basic EDA.
- 2. Standardize the features.
- 3. Train a multivariate linear regression model using vectorized gradient descent (from scratch).
- 4. Verify your implementation using the **normal equation** and report the difference in Mean Squared Error (MSE).
- 5. Output results in the exact format described below.
- 6. Predict the prices for two new houses.

# **Essential Steps to Implement**

## 1) Data Exploration (EDA)

- ullet Print the first 5 rows of the dataset (or all rows if N<5), space-separated.
- Print the **shape** of the dataset (N, d).
- For each column, print: mean std min max (rounded to 2 decimal places).

### 2) Standardization

- Standardize only the features (all three) to zero mean and unit variance.
- Keep the target column unchanged.

#### 3) Model Definition

- Stack features into  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$  (excluding the intercept).
- Augment X with a column of ones to form X'.
- Hypothesis:

$$\hat{y} = X'\theta'$$

• Mean Squared Error:

$$MSE = \frac{1}{2N} ||\hat{y} - y||_2^2$$

### 4) Gradient Descent

- Initialize all parameters in  $\theta'$  to 0.
- Learning rate:

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

• Number of epochs:

300

• Vectorized update rule:

$$\theta' \leftarrow \theta' - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{N} (X')^{\top} (X'\theta' - y)$$

• Do **not** print per-epoch logs.

# 5) Verification via Normal Equation

• Compute:

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

- Compute MSE for  $\theta'$  (GD) and  $\theta^*$  (normal equation).
- Print the absolute difference between these MSE values, rounded to 5 decimal places.

## 6) Final Output

- 1. First 5 rows of dataset.
- 2. Shape (N, d).
- 3. Summary statistics for each column (mean, std, min, max) 4 lines total.
- 4. Final theta=[TH0, TH1, TH2, TH3] with all parameters rounded to 3 decimal places.
- 5. Final MSE=MSE with MSE rounded to 2 decimal places.
- 6. MSE Difference=DIFF with DIFF rounded to 5 decimal places.
- 7. Predictions for:
  - House A: (150, 3, 5)
  - House B: (200, 4, 2)

Each prediction on a new line, rounded to 2 decimal places.

# **Input Format**

```
N size_m2 bedrooms age_years price_lakhs
```

# **Example Input**

```
100 5 5 391

110 5 3 425

120 5 2 462

130 6 2 493

140 6 1 521

150 6 1 552

160 7 1 582

175 7 2 631

190 8 2 675

210 8 1 740

230 9 1 804
```

## **Example Output**

```
35.0 1.0 20.0 179.0 42.0 2.0 15.0 200.0 50.0 2.0 18.0 221.0 60.0 3.0 10.0 263.0 67.0 3.0 8.0 280.0 (20,4) 115.45 55.22 35.00 230.00 4.90 2.17 1.00 9.00 6.00 5.82 1.00 20.00 439.85 177.34 179.00 804.00 Final theta=[418.279, 82.598, 69.709, -25.244] Final MSE=507.47 MSE Difference=503.76598 413.14 533.13
```

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- Implement gradient descent manually no use of sklearn or other regression libraries.