

# Applied Data Science

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## Abstract

# 1 Loss function of Neural Networks

## 1.1 Loss Function

When training Neural Network, we try by minimising the loss function. By doing so we train a bunch of weights and biases that will be used to predict the distribution of  $Y$ , instead of training  $Y$  itself.

## 1.2 Univariate Regression

Univariate regression predicts a single value, and  $y$  is a real number. The model predicts the  $\theta$  (not  $y$  itself), which are the parameters of the distribution of  $y$ . To do so, we need to define a loss function helps us to determine the best  $\theta$ . This is done using the Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE).

## 1.3 Entropy Loss