CS 559: Machine Learning Fundamentals & Applications

Lecture 4: Linear Regression





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The simplest linear model for regression is called linear regression that is a linear combination of the input variables

$$y(x, w) = w_0 + w_1 x_1 + \cdots w_D x_D.$$
 (4-1)

- Input variable $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, ..., x_D)^T$
- Parameters $\mathbf{w} = (w_0, w_1, ..., w_D)$
- For a simplicity, Eq. (4-1) above can be expressed as

$$y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=0}^{D} w_i x_i = \mathbf{w} \mathbf{x}$$
 (4-2)

where $\mathbf{x} = (1, x_1, ..., x_D)^T$.



If y(x, w) is **not linear**, the model will impose significant limitation. Instead, we can make the model be a linear combination of fixed nonlinear function of the input variables in the form

$$y(x, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} \mathbf{w}_j \boldsymbol{\phi}_j(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{M-1} w_j \phi_j(x) = \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(x)$$
(4-3)

where $\phi_i(x)$ are known as **basis function**.

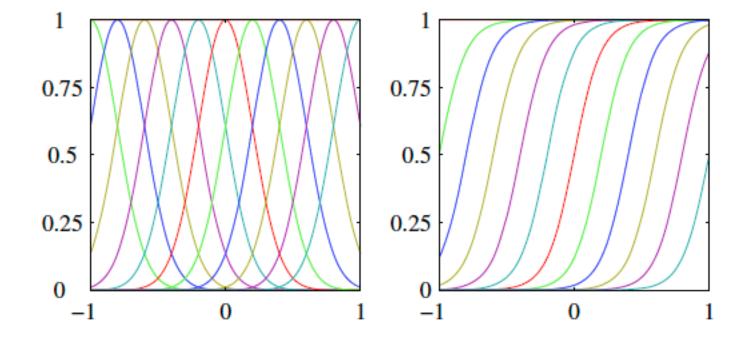
When nonlinear basis function is used, y is not linear in terms of x but is linear in w. This linearity in parameters simplifies the model greatly!

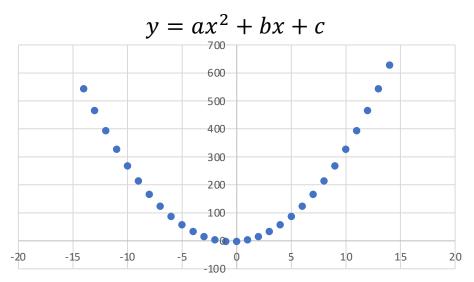


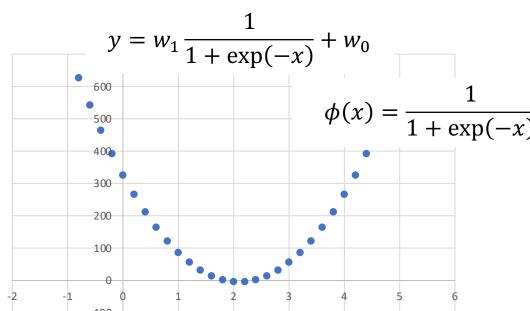
Some possible choices for the basis functions are

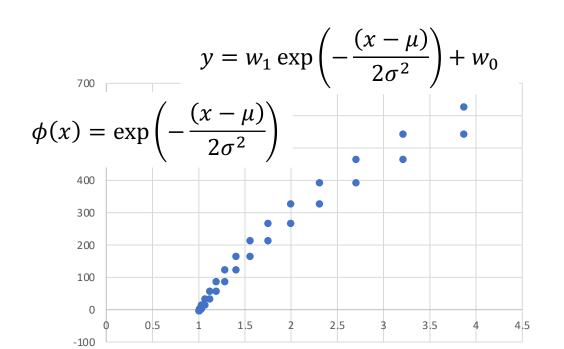
$$\phi_j(x) = \exp\left\{-\frac{\left(x - \mu_j\right)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$$

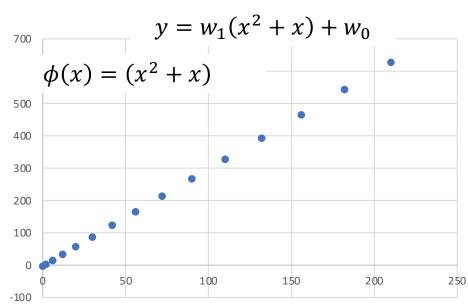
$$\phi_j(x) = \sigma\left(\frac{x - \mu_j}{s}\right) \text{ where } \sigma(a) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)}$$













Assume the target variable t is given by a deterministic function y(x, w) with additive Gaussian nose $\epsilon = \mathcal{N}(0, \beta^{-1})$ where β is the inverse of variance $(\beta = \sigma^{-2})$,

$$t = y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) + \epsilon. \tag{4-4}$$

Recall the conditional probability in Gaussian, the likelihood of Eq. (4-4) can be expressed as $p(t|x,w,\beta) = \mathcal{N}(t|y(x,w),\beta^{-1}). \tag{4-5}$

Consider a data set of inputs $X = \{x_1, ..., x_N\}$ with corresponding target values $t = (t_1, ..., t_N)$. Eq. (4-5) becomes

$$p(t|X, \mathbf{w}, \beta) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \mathcal{N}(t_n | \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n), \beta^{-1})$$

$$= \prod_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\beta^{N/2}}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^N}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta}{2}(t_n - \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n)^2)\right)$$
(4-6)

Assume that data points are i.i.d., then we can write Eq. 4-6 as $p(t|X, w, \beta) = p(t|w, \beta)$. Then log-likelihood then becomes

$$\ln p(\boldsymbol{t}|\boldsymbol{w},\beta) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \ln \mathcal{N}(t_n|\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\boldsymbol{x}_n),\beta^{-1})$$

$$\mathcal{N} = \frac{\beta^{N/2}}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^N}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta}{2}(t_n - \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\boldsymbol{x}_n)^2)\right)$$

$$= \frac{N}{2} \ln \beta - \frac{N}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n - \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_n)\}^2$$

$$= \frac{N}{2} \ln \beta - \frac{N}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \beta E_D(\mathbf{w})$$
(4-7)

where the sum-square-error function is $E_D = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n - \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x_n})\}^2$.



To find w, we need to maximize the log-likelihood function that is equivalent to *minimizing* $E_D(w)$:

$$\nabla \ln p(\boldsymbol{t}|\boldsymbol{w},\beta) = 0 \rightarrow \nabla E_D(\boldsymbol{w}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{w}} E_D(\boldsymbol{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n - \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\boldsymbol{x}_n)\} \boldsymbol{\phi}(\boldsymbol{x}_n)^T = 0$$
 (4-8)

where β is the constant and therefore, it does not impact the result of w.

Solving for w,

$$\mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{ML}} = (\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi})^{-1} \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{t} \tag{4-9}$$

which is known as the *normal equations* for the least squares problem. The *design matrix* Φ is an $N \times M$ matrix whose elements are $\Phi_{nj} = \phi_j(x_n)$:

$$\mathbf{\Phi} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0(\mathbf{x}_1) & \cdots & \phi_{M-1}(\mathbf{x}_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_0(\mathbf{x}_N) & \cdots & \phi_{M-1}(\mathbf{x}_N) \end{pmatrix}.$$

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If w_0 is explicit, then

$$E_D = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ t_n - w_0 - \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} w_j \phi_j(x_n) \right\}^2$$

and

$$w_0 = \bar{t} - \sum_{j=1}^{M-1} w_j \overline{\phi_j}$$

where

$$\overline{t} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} t_n$$
, $\overline{\phi_j} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \phi_j(x_n)$.

(4-10)

(4-11)

(4-12)



We can also estimate the noise precision parameter β ,

$$\frac{1}{\beta_{ML}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ t_n - \boldsymbol{w}_{ML}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}(\boldsymbol{x}_n) \right\}^2$$

where $\sigma_{ML}^2 = \beta_{ML}^{-1}$.

(4-12



(4-13)

If the data set is sufficiently large, it is worth using the *sequential* algorithm, also known as the *online* algorithm. The solutions obtained via MLE (Eq. 4-8) will be underestimated.

The technique of stochastic gradient descent (aka sequential gradient descent) updates the

parameter w through the iteration τ with an initial set of $w^{(0)}$:

$$\mathbf{w}^{(\tau+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(\tau)} - \eta \nabla E_n$$

$$\nabla E_n = \partial E_n / \partial \mathbf{w}$$

$$\boldsymbol{w}^{(\tau+1)} = \boldsymbol{w}^{(\tau)} + \eta (t_n - \boldsymbol{w}^{(\tau)T} \boldsymbol{\phi}_n) \boldsymbol{\phi}_n$$

where η is a learning rate parameter and $\phi_n = \phi(x_n)$ and it is $\eta \ll 1$.



1. Gradient Descent (GD, bath gradient descent):

- It involves using the entire dataset or training set to compute the gradient to find the optimal solution.
- Our movement towards the optimal solution, which could be the local or global optimal solution, is always direct.
- However, this can become a major challenge when millions of samples are running.

2. Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD):

- The dataset is properly shuffled to avoid pre-existing orders then partitioned into *m* examples or an example at a time after reordering.
- This random approximation of the data set removes the computational burden associated with gradient descent while achieving iteration faster and at a lower convergence rate.
- Tt tends to result in more noise than GD.
- 3. Mini-Batch Gradient Descent: Bridge between GD and SGD.



Suppose there are m examples, x has n many features.

• GD: Repeat until the error function converges

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Repeat {  \text{for } j = 1, ..., n \ \{ \\ w_j = w_j - \frac{\eta}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \bigl( y_w \bigl( \boldsymbol{x}^{(i)} \bigr) - \boldsymbol{t}^{(i)} \bigr) \boldsymbol{x}_j^{(i)} \\ \}  }
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• SGD: Randomly shuffle and repeat until the error function converges

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Repeat {  \mbox{for } i=1,\dots,m \ \{ \\ w_j = w_j - \eta \big(y_w \big(x^{(i)}\big) - t^{(i)}\big) x_j^{(i)} \  \  \, \forall \, j = [0,\dots,n] \\ \}  }
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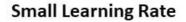


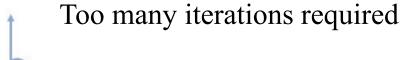
- Mini-Batch GD: Randomly shuffle and repeat the error function until converges
 - Suppose we make 10 batches with 1000 examples.

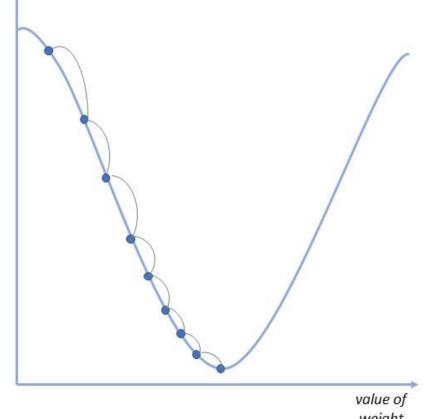
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Repeat { for \ i=1,11,21,...,991 \ \{ \\ w_j=w_j-\frac{\eta}{10}\sum_{k=i}^{i+9} \bigl(y_w\bigl(x^{(k)}\bigr)-t^{(k)}\bigr)x_j^{(k)} \ \ \forall \ j=[0,...,n] \\ \} \\ \}
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loss





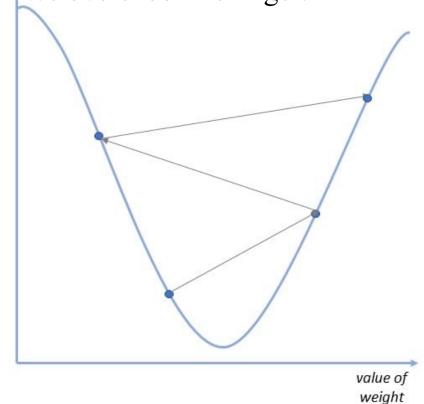




weight

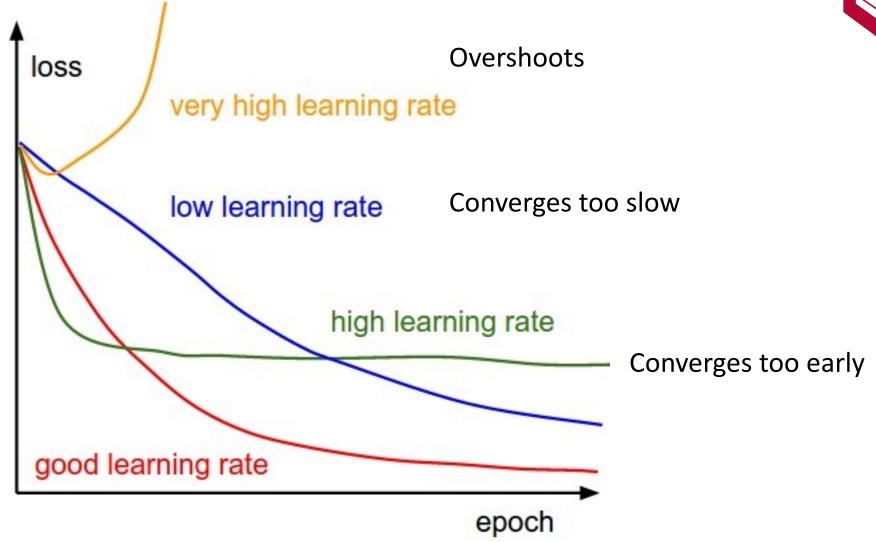
Large Learning Rate

May never reach the global/local minimum We overshoot the target!



loss

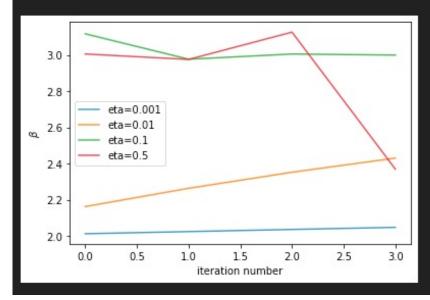




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np.random.seed(123)
   X = 10*np.random.sample(100)-5
   T = 3*X
   plt.scatter(X,T,s=1.2)
   plt.ylabel('T')
   plt.xlabel('X')
   plt.show()
 0.4s
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 10
 -5
-10
-15
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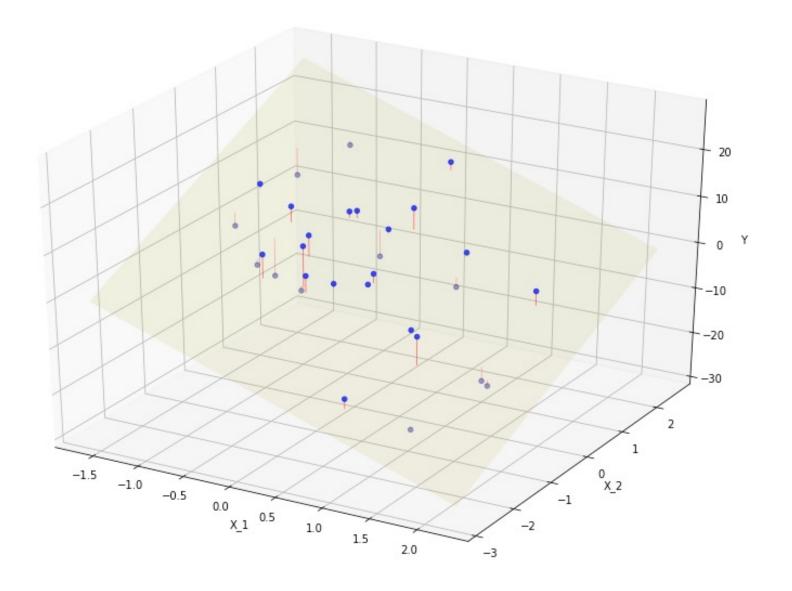


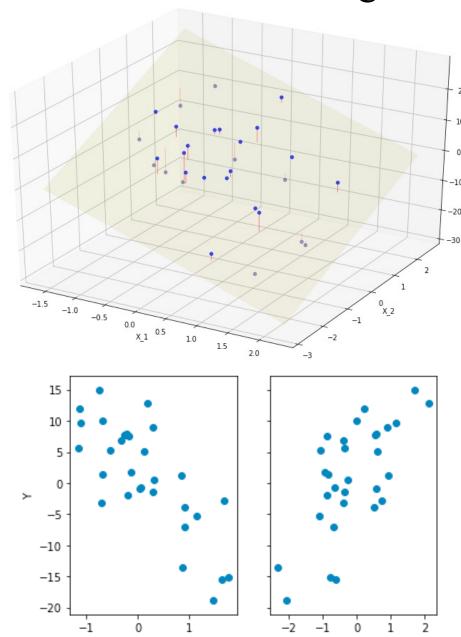
eta=0.001,beta=[2.0120427634766513, 2.023940498801148, 2.035694952513224, 2.0473078501194486]
eta=0.01,beta=[2.162038312390189, 2.2629520564539956, 2.3517129970047645, 2.429784667425353]
eta=0.1,beta=[3.116481505521015, 2.9762055834816294, 3.004860636501196, 2.999007086928208]
eta=0.5,beta=[3.0049857955664416, 2.9749644171916443, 3.1257132183222187, 2.3687459412506553]



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X_2

Х 1

```
1  ols.fit(x_m, y_m)
2  print("beta_1, beta_2: " + str(np.round(ols.coef_, 3)))
3  print("beta_0: " + str(np.round(ols.intercept_, 3)))
4  print("RSS: %.2f" % np.sum((ols.predict(x_m) - y_m) ** 2))
5  print("R^2: %.5f" % ols.score(x_m, y_m))

beta_1, beta_2: [-6.619     4.436]
beta_0: 2.523
RSS: 356.34
R^2: 0.83938
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Ordinary Least Square (OLS) is the result of MLE:

If
$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta x_i + \epsilon_i$$
,

$$\beta = \frac{n\sum x_i y_i - \sum x_i y_i}{n\sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2}, \beta_0 = \overline{y} - \beta \overline{x}.$$
If $y_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j X_{ij}$, $(i = 1, ..., n)$,

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

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Parameters:

- fit_intercept (bool, default=True): If set to False, no intercept will be used in calculations (i.e. data is
 expected to be centered).
- **Normalize** (bool, default=False): This parameter is ignored when **fit_intercept** is set to False. If True, the regressors X will be normalized before regression. Need to standardize the data with false when the standardized data is used.
- copy_X (bool, default=True): If True, X will be copied; else, it may be overwritten.
- **n_jobs** (*int, default=None*): The number of jobs to use for the computation. This will only provide speedup in case of sufficiently large problems, that is if firstly n_targets > 1 and secondly X is sparse or if positive is set to True. None means 1 unless in a <u>joblib.parallel_backend</u> context. -1 means using all processors. See <u>Glossary</u> for more details.
- **positive:** *bool, default=False.* When set to True, forces the coefficients to be positive. This option is only supported for dense arrays.



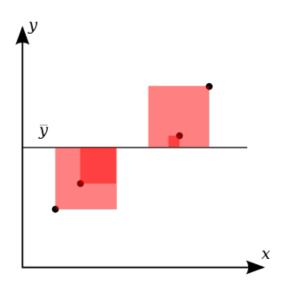
Recall the data from lecture 2,

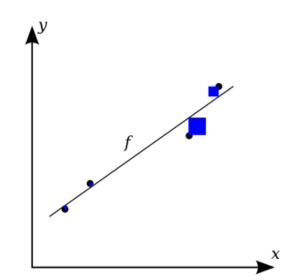
longitude	latitude	housing_median_age	total_rooms	total_bedrooms	population	households	median_income	median_house_value	rooms_per_household	bedrooms_per_room	population_per_household	<1H OCEAN	INLAND	ISLAND	NEAR BAY	NEAR OCEAN
-122.23	37.88	32.672294	8.208606	5.645033	7.675271	5.705034	2.728723	61.003713	3.113149	-2.957260	0.876915	0	0	0	1	0
-122.22	37.86	17.070476	11.413717	8.717972	11.487953	8.974699	2.724071	58.036799	2.848110	-2.822167	0.707407	0	0	0	1	0
-122.26	37.84	33.434943	9.799169	7.954136	10.099133	7.961036	0.797670	52.585885	2.062241	-1.811675	0.671329	0	0	0	1	0
-122.26	37.85	39.491212	8.560402	6.722807	9.055987	6.750997	0.822822	47.360433	2.038908	-1.864239	0.905250	0	0	0	1	0
-122.26	37.84	39.491212	9.597088	7.399371	9.717414	7.430798	0.746034	48.672270	2.506253	-2.271723	0.808116	0	0	0	1	0

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Y = df['median_house_value']
features = list(set(df.columns.tolist()[3:])-set(['median_house_value']))
print(features)
X = df[features]
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,Y,test_size=0.3,random_state=42)
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```
def lr_model(xT,xt,yT,yt,features):
    xT: Original Train X, yT: Original Train Y
    xt: Original Test X, yt: Original Test Y
    features: features in train dataset
    XT,Xt = xT[features], xt[features]
    lr = LinearRegression()
                                                #Make a model
    lr.fit(XT,yT)
                                                #Fit a train data
    y_train_pred = lr.predict(XT)
                                                #Predict the train data
    rmse = mean_squared_error(yT,y_train_pred) #Calculate root-mean-squared-error
    mae = mean_absolute_error(yT,y_train_pred) #Calculate mean-absolute-error
    rsq = r2_score(yT,y_train_pred)
                                                #Calculate R^2
    print(f'train: rmse={rmse}, mae={mae}, R^2={rsq}')
   y_test_pred = lr.predict(Xt)
                                                #Predict the test data
    rmse = mean_squared_error(yt,y_test_pred)
    mae = mean_absolute_error(yt,y_test_pred)
    rsq = r2_score(yt,y_test_pred)
                                               #Calculate R^2
    print(f'train: rmse={rmse}, mae={mae}, R^2={rsq}')
    train_res = yT - y_train_pred
                                                #Calcualte residuals
    test_res = yt - y_test_pred
    plt.scatter(yT,train_res,alpha=0.4,label='train') #Plot residuals
    plt.scatter(yt,test_res,alpha=0.4, label='test')
    plt.hlines(y=0,xmin=yT.min()-2,xmax=yT.max()+2,linestyles='--',color='r')
    plt.legend()
    plt.show()
    return lr
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$$\sum_{i}^{N} (y_i - \bar{y})^2$$

• Residual Sum of Squares (RSS):

$$\sum_{i}^{N} (t_i - y_i)^2$$

• R-square:

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS}$$

• Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE):

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i}^{N}(t_{i}-y_{i})^{2}}=\sqrt{\frac{RSS}{N}}$$

• Mean Squared Error (MSE):

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i}^{N} |t_i - y_i|^2 = \frac{RSS}{N}$$





```
1 lr_all = lr_model(X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test, features)

√ 1.9s

train: rmse=8.206180522556119, mae=2.2169320667615215, R^2=0.7106131410345096
train: rmse=7.960813891167741, mae=2.1907446196748688, R^2=0.7251373701845317
          train
          test
  10
  -5
-10
                                   55
                            50
                                           60
```

	features	weight
9	total_rooms	-26.731592
13	population_per_household	-19.814847
3	INLAND	-5.188291
5	NEAR BAY	-1.619131
1	<1H OCEAN	-0.800810
6	NEAR OCEAN	-0.226635
12	housing_median_age	0.054975
4	total_bedrooms	0.411882
0	bedrooms_per_room	1.481176
2	population	6.031911
11	median_income	6.550643
7	ISLAND	7.834866
8	households	19.421038
10	rooms_per_household	19.867423

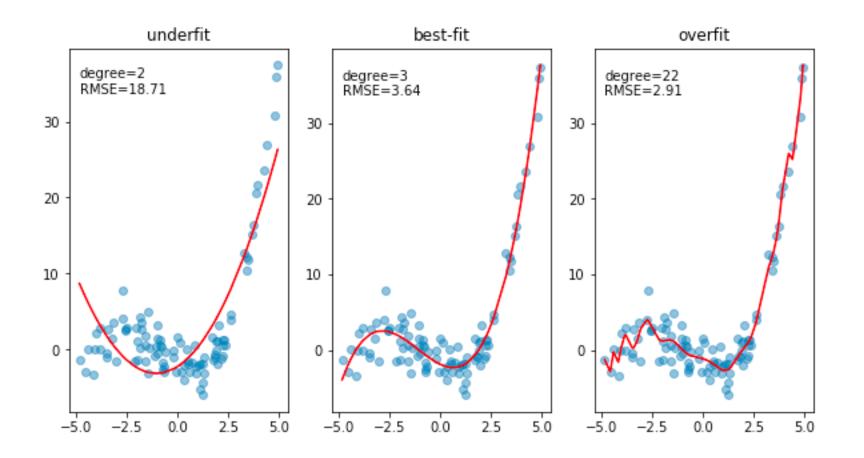
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new_features = ['population_per_household','bedrooms_per_room','rooms_per_household','median_income','households',
      '<1H OCEAN', 'population', 'INLAND', 'NEAR BAY', 'NEAR OCEAN', 'ISLAND']
      lr_new = lr_model(X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test, new_features)
 ✓ 1.2s
train: rmse=8.547629583852357, mae=2.2610559882036503, R^2=0.6985721103657796
train: rmse=8.324502107296473, mae=2.2414503816061435, R^2=0.71258032502751
          train
  10
 -10
                                           60
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4.2.1. Overfit vs. Underfit







To control over-fitting, we can construct the total error function to be minimized in the form by adding the regularization term $E_w(\mathbf{w})$

$$E_D(\mathbf{w}) + \lambda E_W(\mathbf{w})$$

where λ is the regularization coefficient that controls the relative importance of the data-dependent error $E_D(\mathbf{w})$ and the regularization term $E_w(\mathbf{w})$.

Likelihood function See, slide 9.



Approaching from Bayesian theorem,

$$p(w|D) = \frac{p(D|w)p(w)}{p(D)},$$
 Prior probability of w
$$p(D) = \frac{p(D|w)p(w)}{p(D)}$$
 Prior probability of we have a normalizer so it can be ignored.

$$p(w|D) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} p(D|w)p(w) \to \ln p(w|D) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} p(D|w) + \sum_{n=1}^{N} p(w)$$

Assume the prior distribution of the coefficients are i.i.d. Gaussian, $w_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1/\lambda)$, then

$$\sum p(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\lambda}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}.$$

The total error function becomes

$$E = E_D + \lambda E_w = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{\phi}\}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w}.$$

Solving for w,

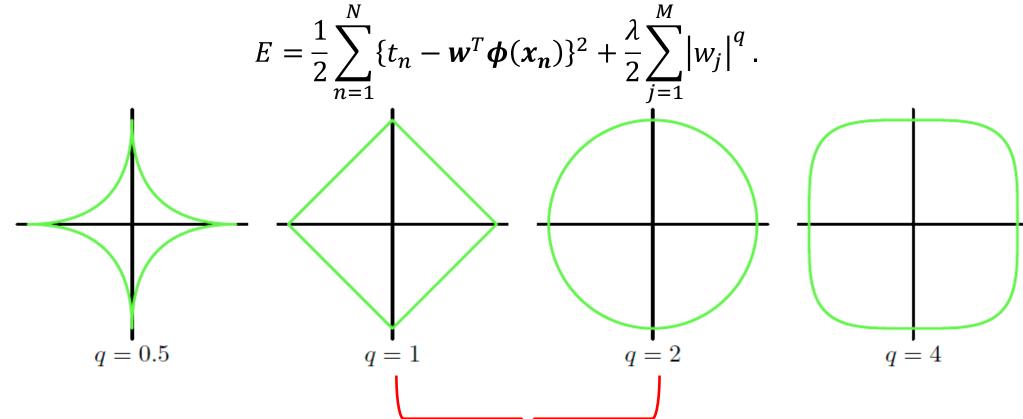
$$\mathbf{w} = \left(\lambda \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{\Phi}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{t}.$$

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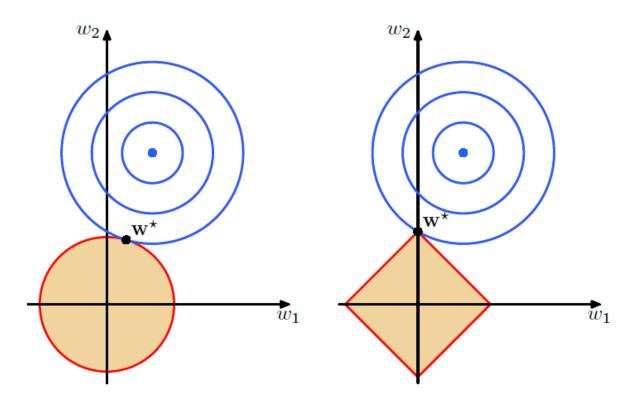
A more general regularized error form is



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Usually,
$$q = 1|2$$
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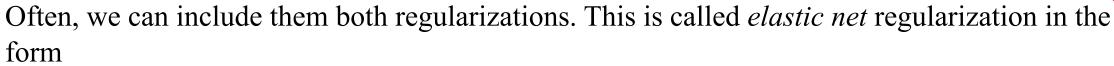


If q = 2, it is called the *ridge* regularization.

- The function is strictly convex and differentiable everywhere.
- The dense solutions are possible, and all features are used.

If q = 1, is is called the *lasso* regularization.

- If λ is sufficiently large, some of the coefficients w_i are driven to zero.
- It leads to a *sparse* solution



$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n - w^T \phi(x_n)\}^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{M} |w_j|^2 + |w_j|.$$

- The function is not differentiable.
- We have a unique solution.

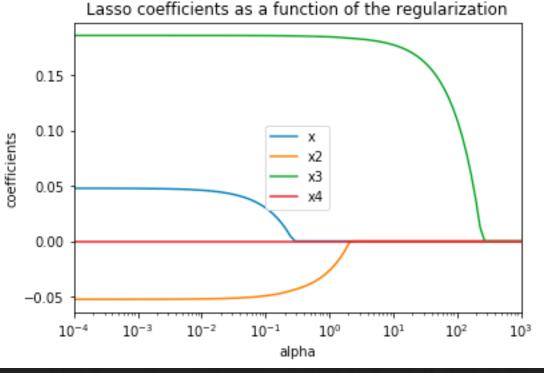


```
1 from sklearn.linear_model import Lasso, Ridge, ElasticNet
✓ 0.1s
     np.random.seed(123)
     X = 10*np.random.sample(100)-5
     X1 = np.array(sorted(X))
     X2 = X**2
     X3 = X**3
     X4 = X**3/2
  7 X = np.column_stack((X1,X2,X3,X4))
✓ 0.1s
```



```
alphas_lasso = np.logspace(-4, 3, 100)
    coef lasso = []
    lasso = Lasso()
    rmse, mae, rsq = [], [], []
5∨for i in alphas_lasso:
        lasso.set_params(alpha = i).fit(X,Y)
        coef_lasso.append(lasso.coef_)
        y_train_pred = lasso.predict(X)
        rmse.append(mean_squared_error(Y,y_train_pred)) #Calculate root-mean-squared-error
                                                         #Calculate mean-absolute-error
        mae.append(mean absolute error(Y,y train pred))
        rsq.append(r2_score(Y,y_train_pred))
                                                         #Calculate R^2
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   features = ['x', 'x2', 'x3', 'x4']
   df_coef = pd.DataFrame(coef_lasso, index=alphas_lasso, columns=features)
   title = 'Lasso coefficients as a function of the regularization'
   df coef.plot(logx=True, title=title)
   plt.xlabel('alpha')
   plt.ylabel('coefficients')
   plt.show()
  2.2s
```

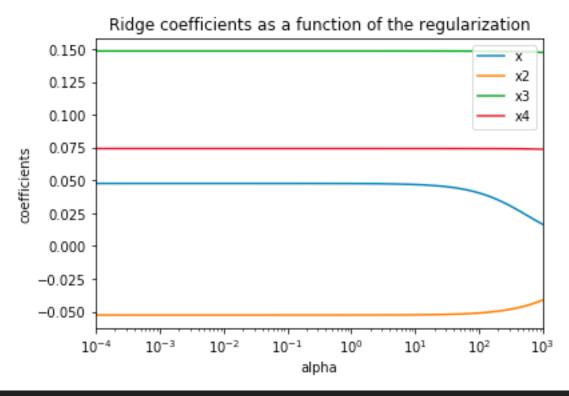




Lasso regularization therefore can be used for feature selection.

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Lasso, alpha=0.01, intercept=0.24, coefficients=[ 0.04591006 -0.05221259
                                                                                                ], rmse=13.006343902736498
Lasso, alpha=0.17783, intercept=0.21, coefficients=[ 0.01648733 -0.04703605
                                                                            0.18533752
                                                                                                   ], rmse=13.012893764555317
Lasso, alpha=3.16228, intercept=-0.08, coefficients=[ 0.
                                                                 -0.
                                                                              0.18232391
                                                                                                    ], rmse=13.136403351426349
Lasso, alpha=56.23413, intercept=-0.05, coefficients=[0.
                                                                               0.14271235
                                                                                                     ], rmse=15.48918780840939
                                                                  -0.
Lasso, alpha=1000.0, intercept=0.04, coefficients=[-0. 0. 0. 0.], rmse=58.82740534381207
Linear Regression, intercept=0.24, coefficients=[ 0.04766321 -0.05252104 0.14850053 0.07425027], rmse=13.006323124645764
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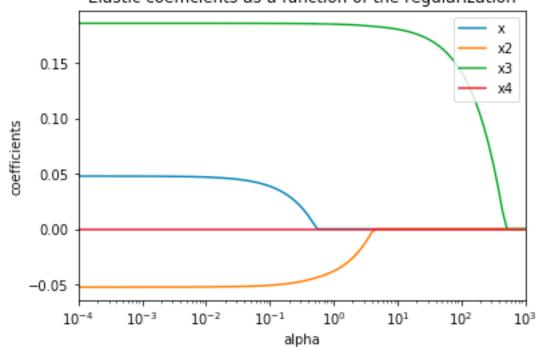




Ridge, alpha=0.01, intercept=0.17, coefficients=[0.0164893 -0.04107874 0.14741995 0.07370997], rmse=13.018155082313179
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Elastic coefficients as a function of the regularization





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4.3. The Bias-Variance Decomposition

The average of expected loss also can be expressed as

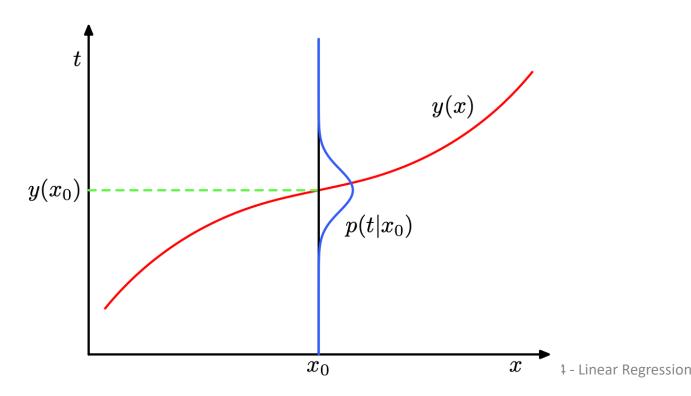
$$\mathbb{E}(L) = \int \int (y-t)^2 p(x,t) dx dt.$$



(4-14)

If
$$\mathbb{E}(L)$$
 is minimized, then $\frac{\partial \mathbb{E}(L)}{\partial y} = 0$ solves $y = \mathbb{E}_t[t|x]$.

 $\mathbb{E}_t(t|\mathbf{x})$ is the regression function that is the average over the ensemble of data sets and is the optimal prediction that is given by the conditional expectation.



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We will use $h = \mathbb{E}_t[t|x]$ for the simplicity.

When the error function
$$(y - t)^2$$
 in Eq. 4-14 is expanded as $(y - t)^2 = (y - h + h - t)^2$
= $(y - h)^2 + 2(y - h)(h - t) + (h - t)^2$

When Eq. (4-15) is substitute into Eq. (4-14), the second term vanishes and it becomes

$$\mathbb{E}(L) = \int \int (y-t)^2 p(x,t) dx dt = \int (y-h)^2 p(x) dx + \int \int (h-t)^2 p(x) dx dt$$

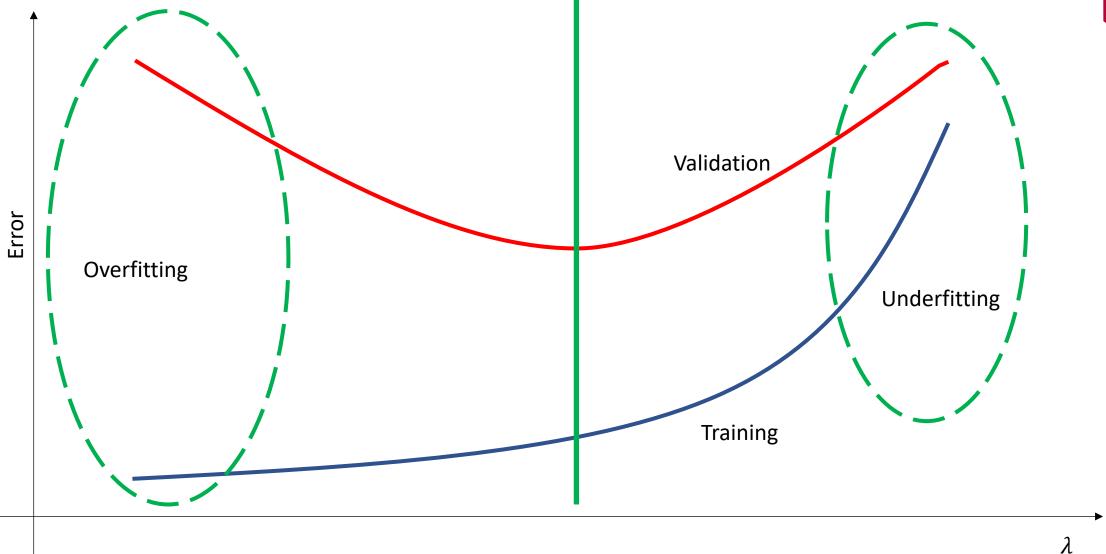
The first integration is the expectation of the data and it is the combination of (bias)² and variance.

$$expected loss = (bias)^2 + variance + noise$$

(4-15)

The Bias-Variance Decomposition





The Bias-Variance Decomposition



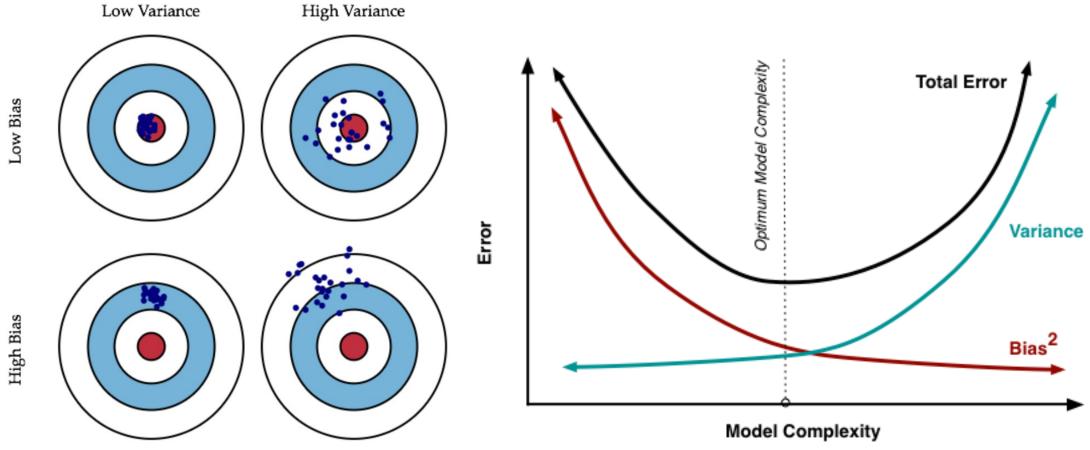


Figure: Graphical illustration of bias vs. variance



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4.1. Linear Basis Function Models

- Assumptions:
 - Linearity: X and Y are in linear relationship.
 - Homoscedasticity: The variance of residual is the same for any features.
 - Independence: Examples are independent of each other.
 - Normality: All features are in Gaussian distribution.
- Optimization
 - GD, SGD, Mini-Batch GD
- 4.2. & 4.3. Regularization & Bias-Variance Decomposition
- The total errors are composite of Bias, Variance, and Noise.
 - Even though we want to optimize the model by reducing the errors,
 - Need to consider the trade-off between the bias and variance
 - Need to consider the trade-off between the overfitting and underfitting
 - Regularizations help to avoid the overfitting easily.
 - Lasso regularization also may be used for the feature selection or feature extraction.

4.4. Conclusion



Overall, The linear regression model implementation and interpretation are easy and straightforward. But,

- Simplicity: The model is too simple to capture the complexity of real data.
 - It is an easy start of modeling but hardly will be a final model.
 - It is essential to have different model.
- Assumptions are not realistic.
 - Need to do feature engineering, transformation, and more.
- Sensitivity: The model is sensitive to outliers as they are accounted in the estimation causing high variance and low bias.
 - Remove outliers.