

**1. Feature Selection.**

- (a) i. Let  $k = 1$ . Then since  $x_1$  and  $x_{100}$  are uncorrelated, we simply pick our feature as the feature which contributes more to the signal, namely  $x_{100}$ . Our predictor is then

$$h_w(x) = ax_{100}$$

And we pick  $a = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$ . Our error is then:

$$L_D(h_w) = E[x_1^2/10] = \frac{1}{10} \text{Var}(x_1) = \frac{1}{10}$$

For  $k = 2$  and above, we simply pick  $x_1$  and  $x_{100}$  as our features,  $w = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}e_{100} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}e_1$ . We get zero loss.

**2. Boosting as Coordinate Descent.**