

# Modelling

CSC4601 Theory of Machine Learning

# Today's Plan

1. What is a model?
2. What is a linear model?
3. What is a linear model for regression and classification?
4. Advantages and Disadvantages of a linear model

What is a model?

# Models



# Models

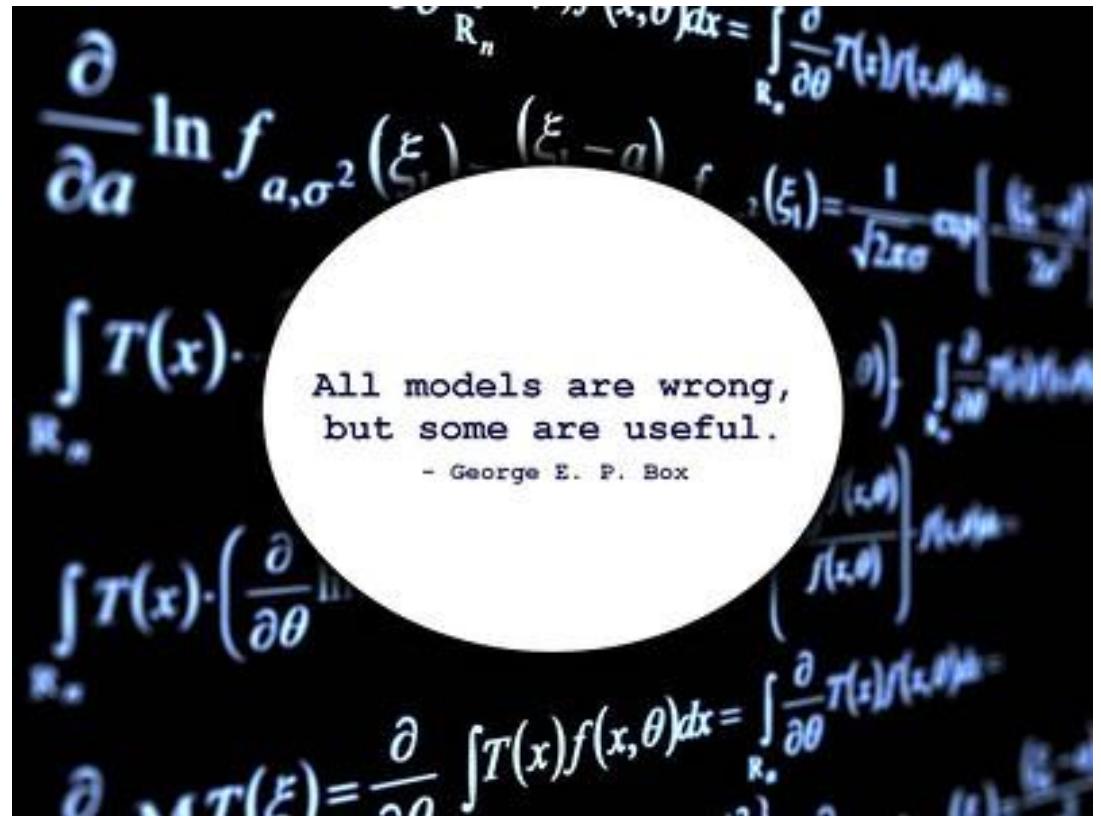


# (Mathematical) Models

- A tool used to mathematically represent some observed phenomena.
- Uses relationships (math) to:
  - Explain a system
  - Encode system behavior
  - Make predictions about behavior
- A model consists of finding a relationship or mapping between an input variable and output variable.

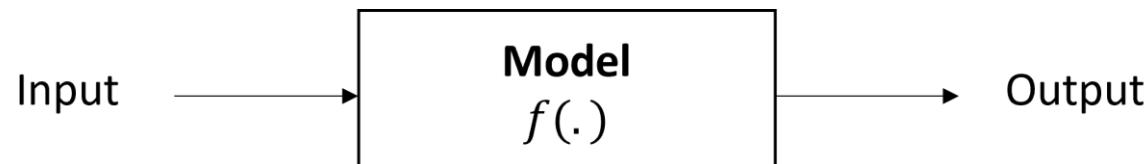
# Models

- Models are abstractions and simplification of the real world:
- Modeling is a mathematical way to represent how we think about observed phenomena!



# Models : Input-Output Relationship

- One way to mathematically represent a model is through an input-output relationship.
- A model can be described as a mathematical formula that takes in an input variable and transforms it into an output variable.



# Model Example 1

- Grades in a class
  - Input:
  - Model Parameters:
  - Model output:

**Grades**

Item	Percentage
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SLM	10%
Quizzes	10%
Labs	25%
Midterm I	15%
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**Grading Scale**

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BC	>=81%
C	>=77%
CD	>=74%
D	>=70%
F	<70%

# Model Example 1

- Grades in a class
  - Input:
    - Score earned on assessments
  - Model Parameters:
    - Weighting of grades by type.
      - Quizzes – 10%
      - Midterm I – 15%
      - Etc.
    - Model output:
      - Grade Letter: A, AB, B, BC...

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- Aligning Satellite Images

- Input:



Image *A*



Image *B*

- Model Parameters:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= f_1(x, y) \\ v &= f_2(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Model output:



Mapped *A*



Original *B*

# Model Example 2

- Aligning Satellite Images
  - Input:
    - Image
  - Model Parameters:
    - $a, e$ : *Scaling terms*
    - $a, b, d, e$ : *Rotation terms*
    - $c, f$ : *Translation terms*
  - Model output:
    - Transformed Image



Image A



Image B

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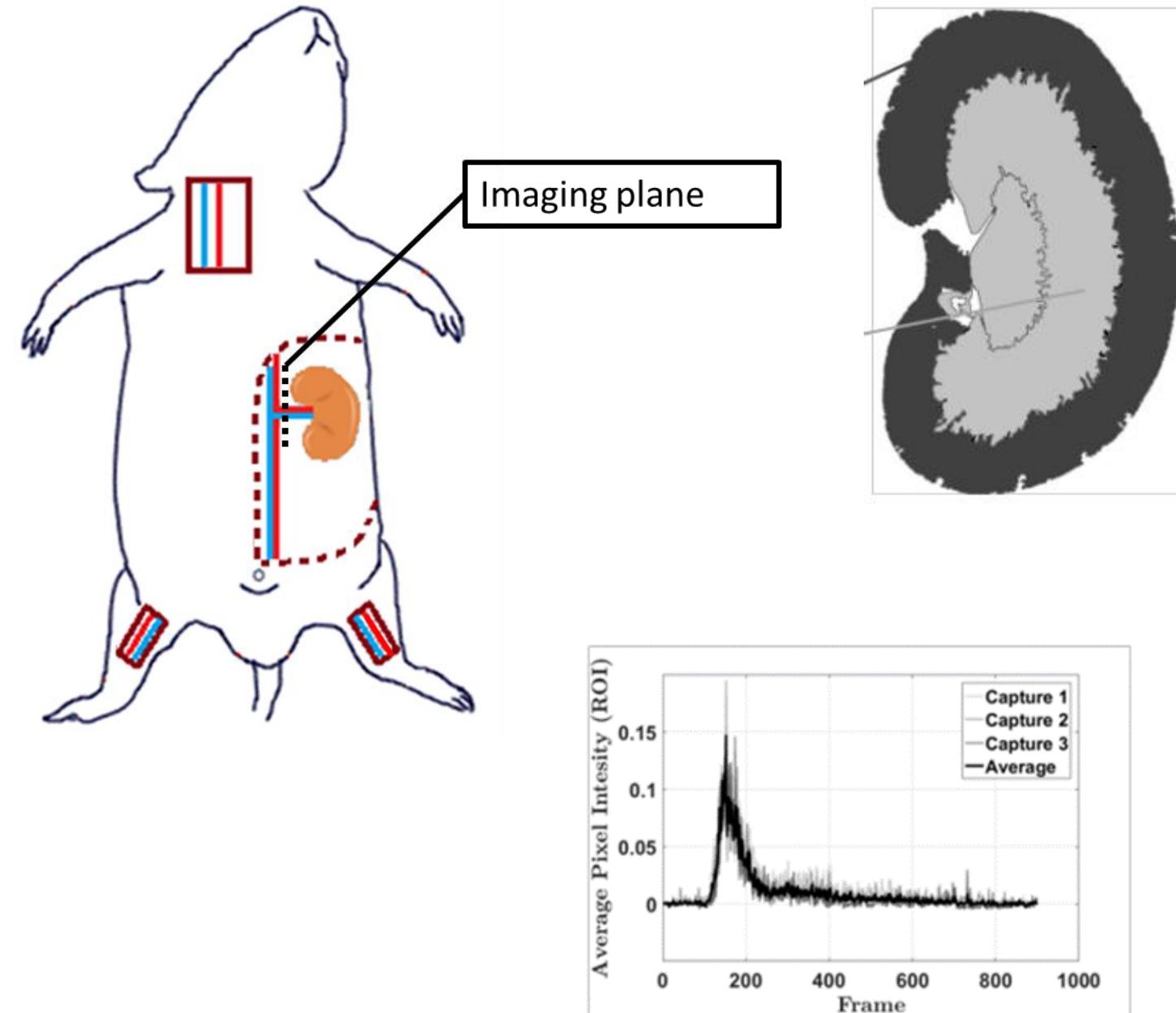
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  - Output:
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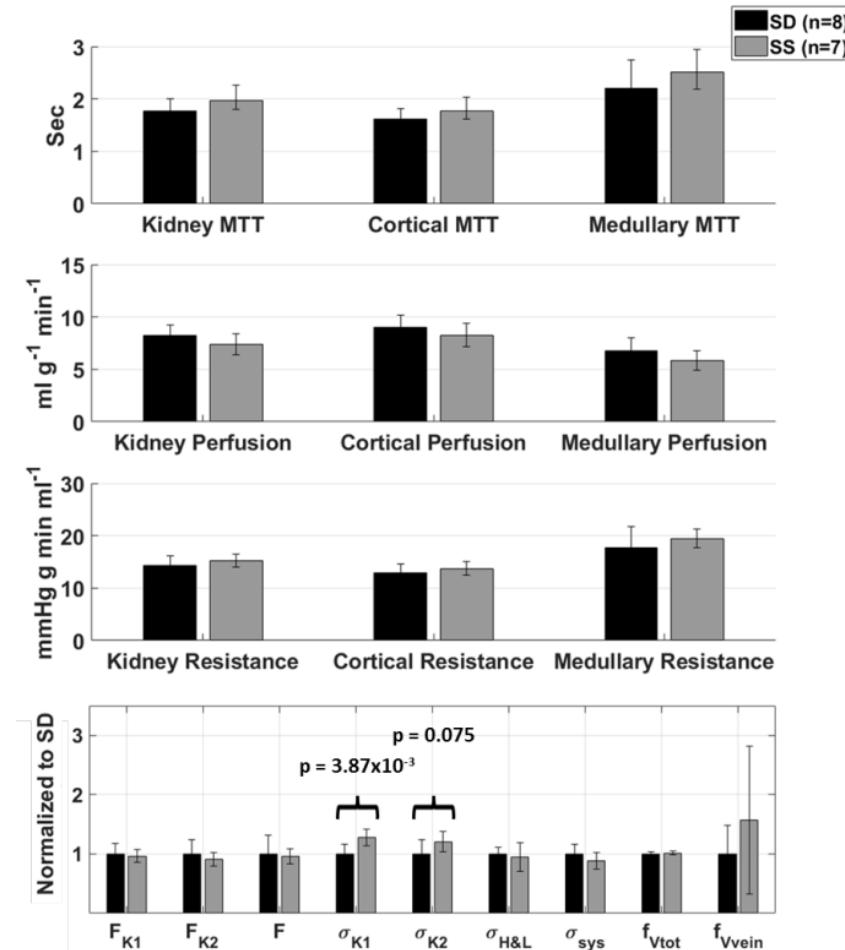
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Fixed Parameters		Arterial + Vein Bolus		Arterial Bolus		
Whole Body		SD	SS	SD	SS	
$M_{rat}$	Rat mass	$284 \pm 24$	$299 \pm 19$	$284 \pm 24$	$299 \pm 19$	g
$m_L$	Lung mass ratio	0.0055	i		i	-
$m_H$	Heart mass ratio	0.0041	i		i	-
$f_{AK}$	Systemic vascular volume (upper body) ratio	0.64	i		i	-
$v_L$	Lung blood volume ratio	0.35	i		i	-
$v_H$	Heart blood volume ratio	0.26	i		i	-
$v_H$	Proximal aorta blood volume ratio	0.01	i		i	-
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$\sigma_{vessel}$	Vessel - TTD standard deviation	0.08	i		i	sec
Renal						
$m_K$	Kidney mass ratio	0.0042	i		i	-
$v_K$	Kidney blood volume ratio	0.24	i		i	-
$f_{ct}$	Renal cortex volume ratio	0.65	i	i	i	-
Adjustable Parameters		SD	SS	SD	SS	
$F_{K1}$	Renal blood flow - Cortex	$0.1169 \pm 0.0206$	$0.1126 \pm 0.0128$	$0.1167 \pm 0.0206$	$0.1107 \pm 0.0129$	ml/sec
$F_{K2}$	Renal blood flow - Medulla	$0.0473 \pm 0.0113$	$0.0432 \pm 0.0055$	$0.0458 \pm 0.0113$	$0.0398 \pm 0.0050$	ml/sec
$F$	Cardiac output	$1.0019 \pm 0.3221$	$0.9643 \pm 0.1255$	$0.8811 \pm 0.2035$	$0.8388 \pm 0.0634$	ml/sec
$\sigma_{K1}$	Cortical compartment - TTD standard deviation	$0.1708 \pm 0.0281$	<b><math>0.2182 \pm 0.0235</math></b>	$0.1698 \pm 0.0277$	<b><math>0.2265 \pm 0.0159</math></b>	sec
$\sigma_{K2}$	Medullary compartment - TTD standard deviation	$0.1996 \pm 0.0468$	$0.2413 \pm 0.0351$	$0.1975 \pm 0.0409$	<b><math>0.2666 \pm 0.0301</math></b>	sec
$\sigma_{H\&L}$	Heart and lung - TTD standard deviation	$0.7120 \pm 0.0767$	$0.6787 \pm 0.1717$	$0.6877 \pm 0.1699$	$0.7301 \pm 0.0804$	sec
$\sigma_{systemic}$	Systemic vasculature - TTD standard deviation	$2.4985 \pm 0.4229$	$2.2183 \pm 0.3446$	$2.7205 \pm 0.3307$	<b><math>2.3101 \pm 0.3185</math></b>	sec
$f_{Vtot}$	Total blood volume to rat mass ratio	$0.0946 \pm 0.0034$	$0.0963 \pm 0.0035$	$0.0899 \pm 0.0086$	$0.0872 \pm 0.0066$	-
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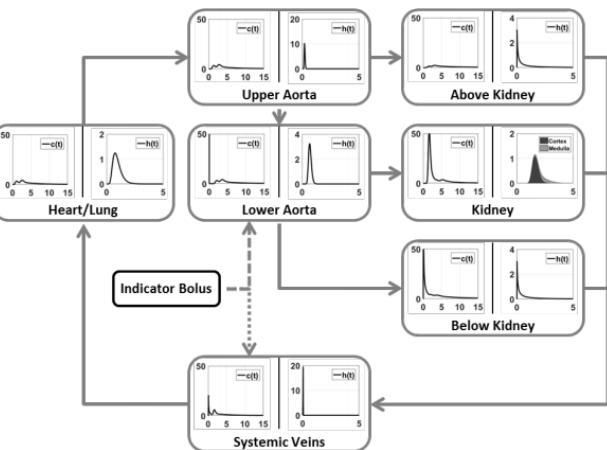
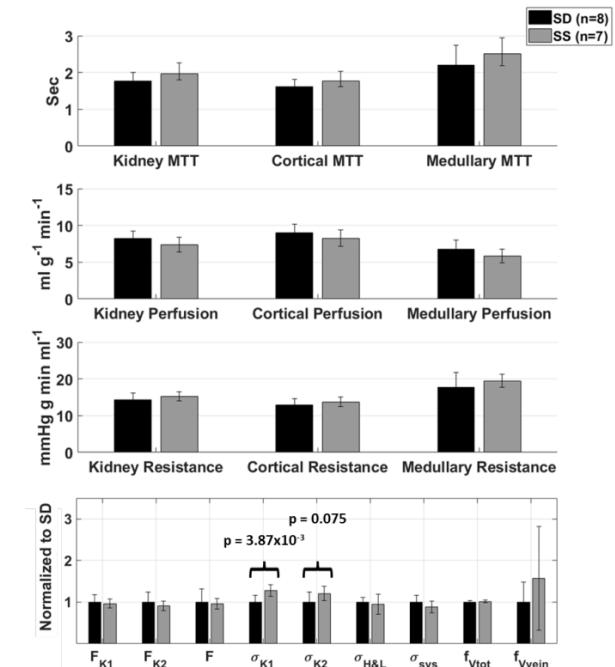
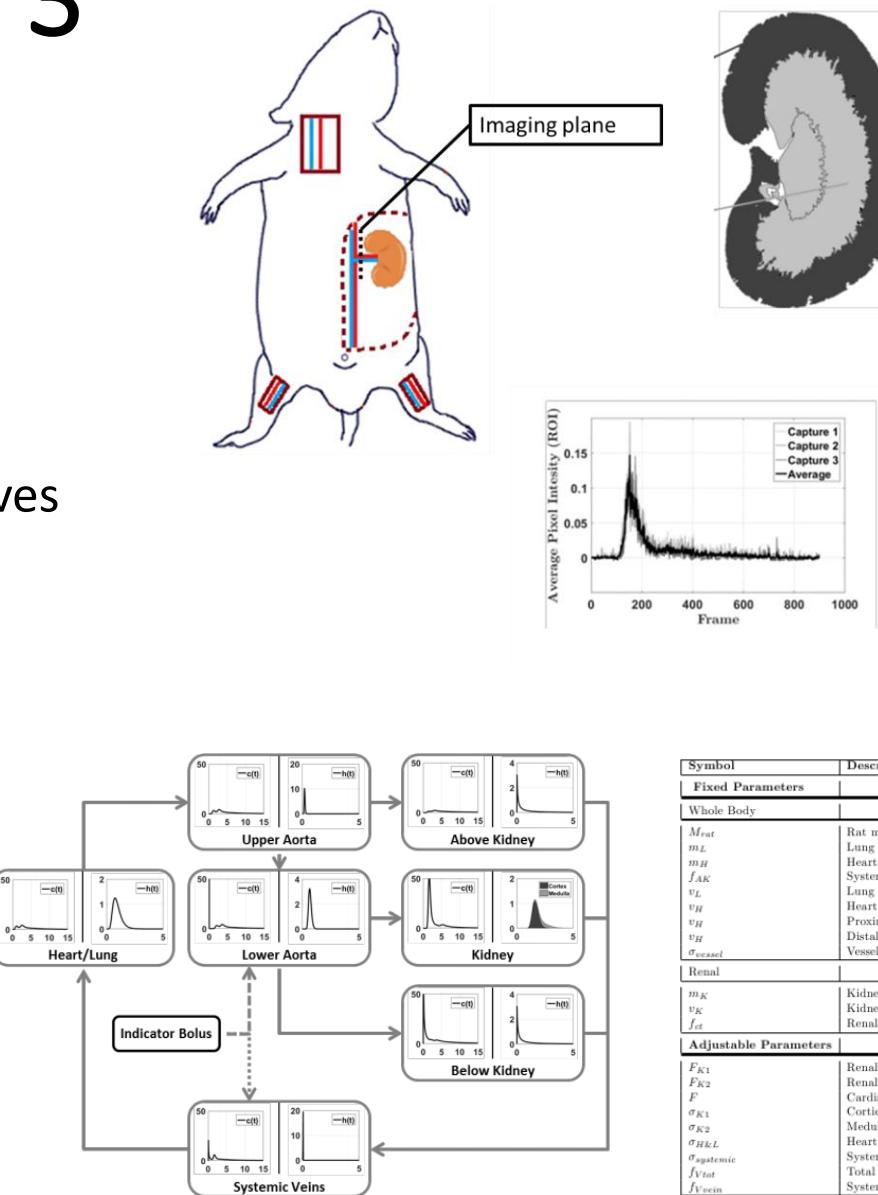
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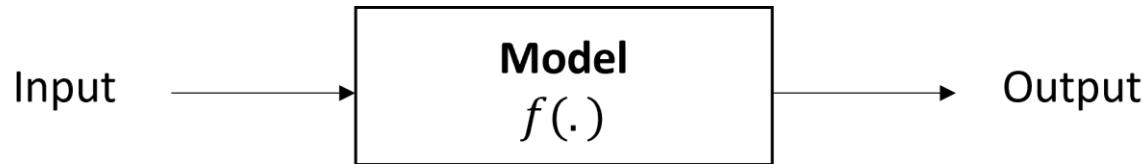
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		Normalized to SD		
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# Machine Learning Model

# Machine Learning Models – Supervised Learning

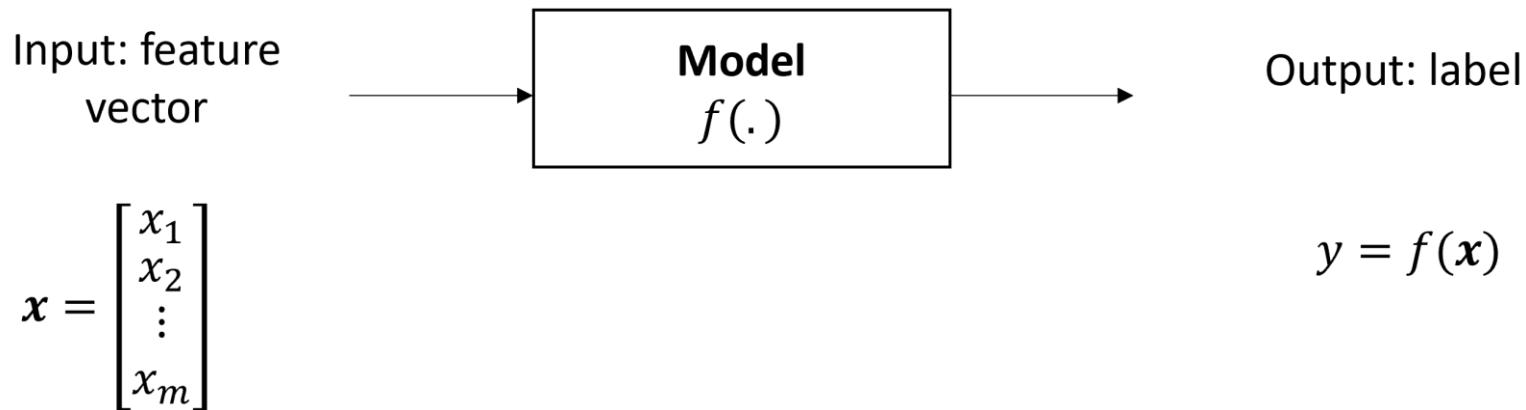


- Supervised machine learning:

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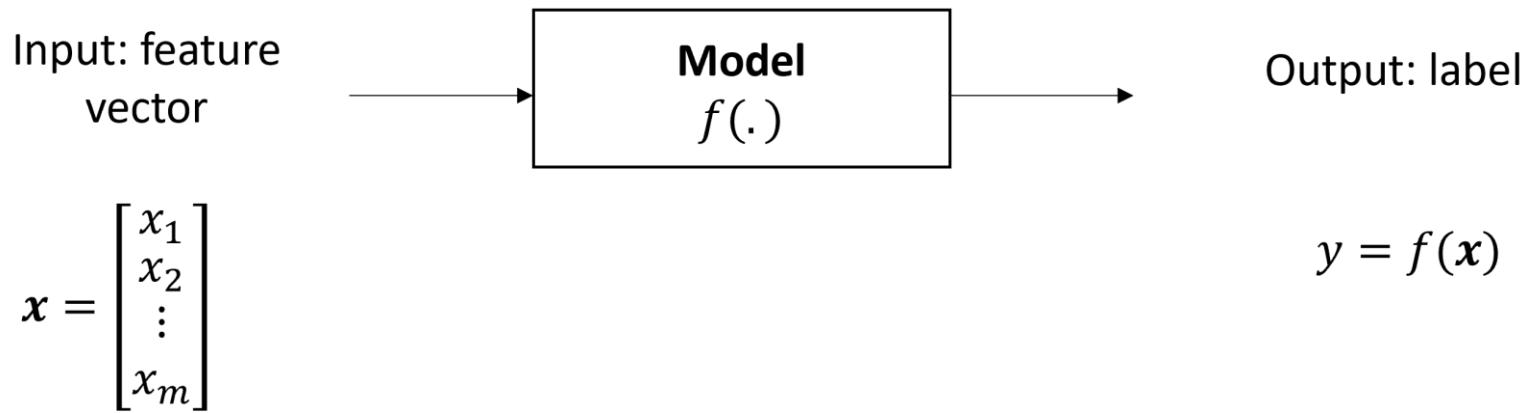
Output?

# Machine Learning Models



- Features of a patient
- Features of a house
- Features of a flower
- Features of an MRI image
- Presence or not of heart disease
- Price of a house
- Setosa/ Virginica/ Versicolor
- Presence of cancer cells

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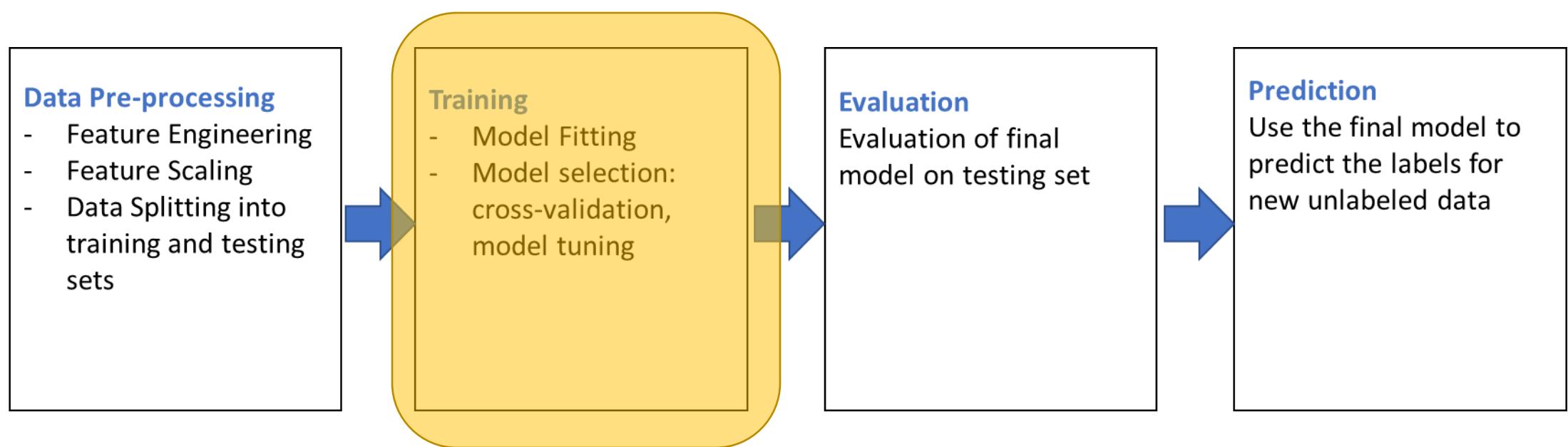


- In supervised machine learning, we assume that there is an underlying relationship between a feature vector and its corresponding label:
  - $\mathbf{x}$  contains the set of features (measures, independent variables, attributes, ..) that represents one object
  - $y$  represent what we want to predict for a given feature vector (label, response, output)

# Machine Learning Models

- How to find this machine learning model?

This is the goal of the training phase.



# Training phase – Model fitting (Supervised Learning)

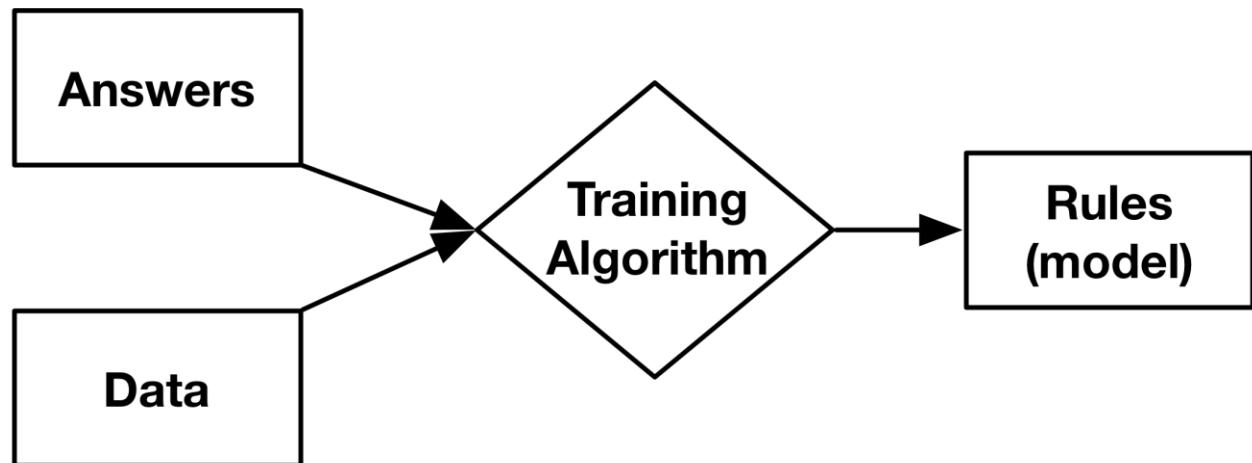
Label vector

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(1)} \\ y^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(n)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Feature matrix  
that consists of  
training data

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(1)} & x_2^{(1)} & \dots & x_m^{(1)} \\ x_1^{(2)} & x_2^{(2)} & \dots & x_m^{(2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_1^{(n)} & x_2^{(n)} & \dots & x_m^{(n)} \end{bmatrix}$$

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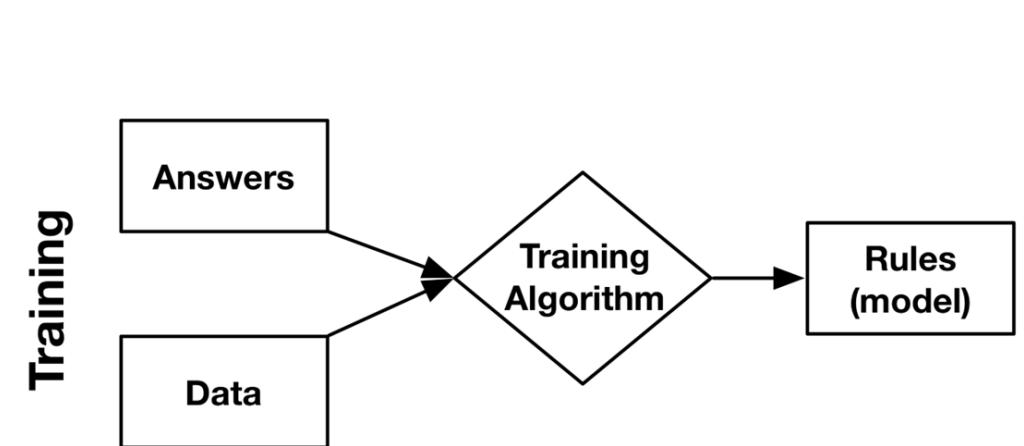


# Training phase – Model fitting (Supervised Learning)

- In supervised learning, a training algorithm expects historical data (pairs of features and their labels):
  - Examples of patient features and whether each has heart disease or not
  - Examples of flower features and their corresponding categories
  - Examples of house features and their corresponding price
- The training algorithm uses the historical data to learn the model: it tries to detect on its own the relationship between feature vectors and labels.

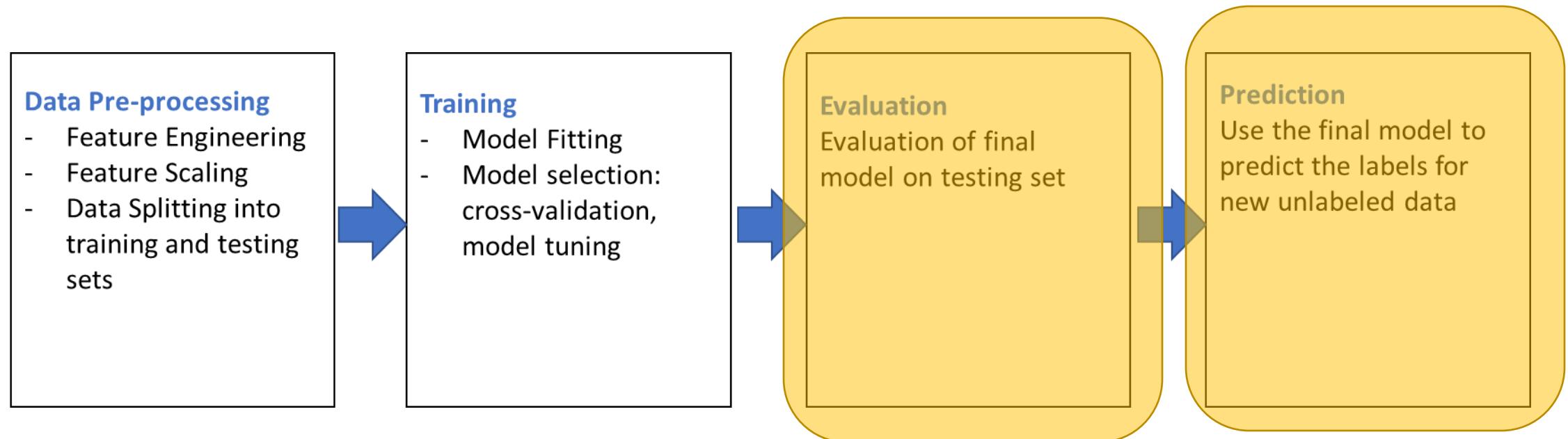
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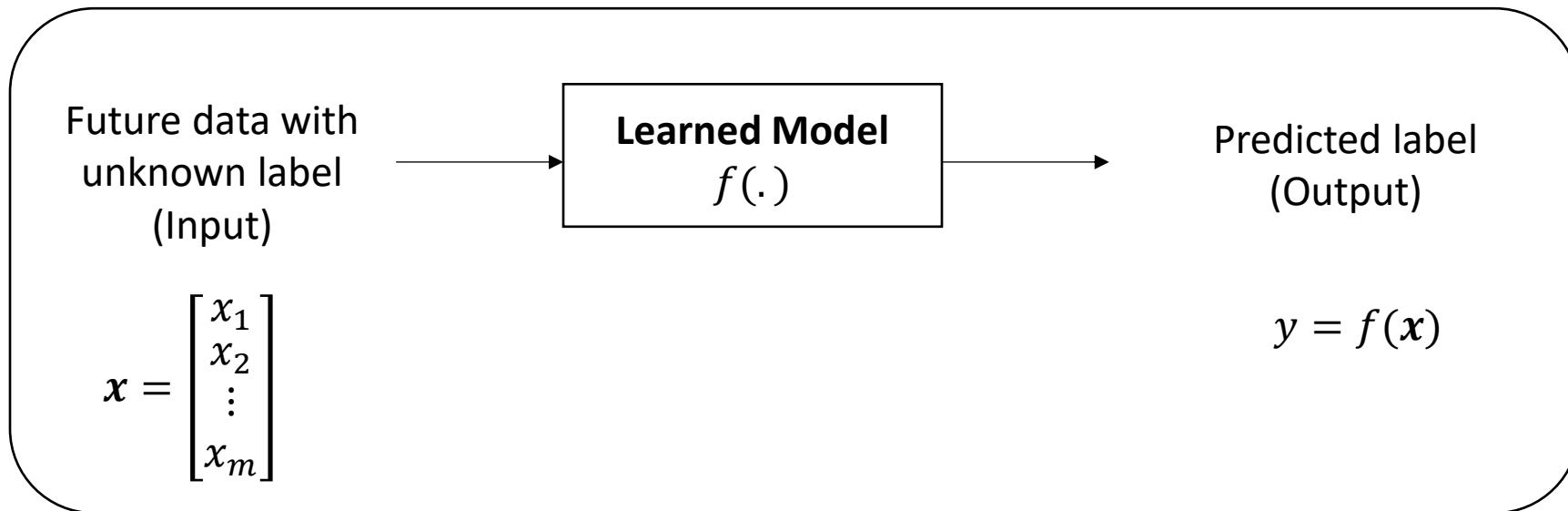


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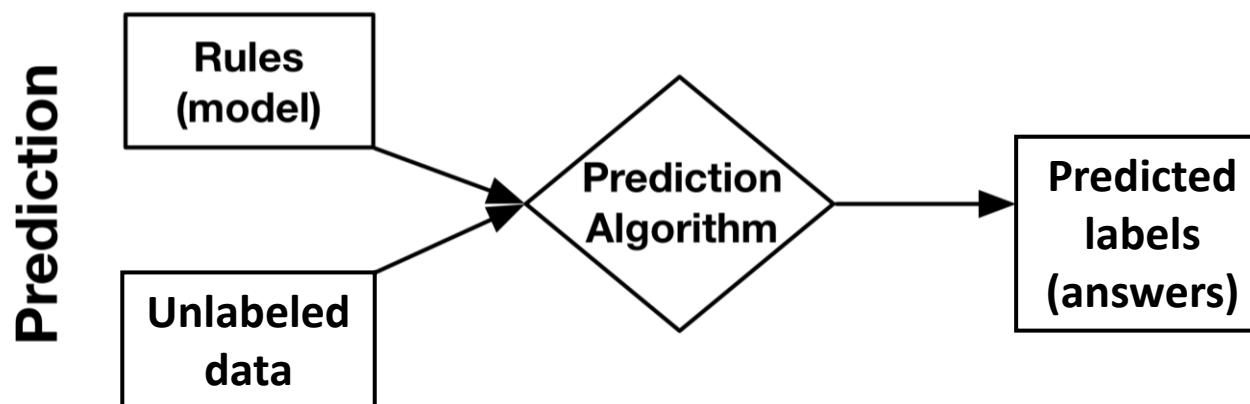
- Once a final machine learning model is learned. The model is evaluated and then used for future predictions.



# Using Machine Learning Models



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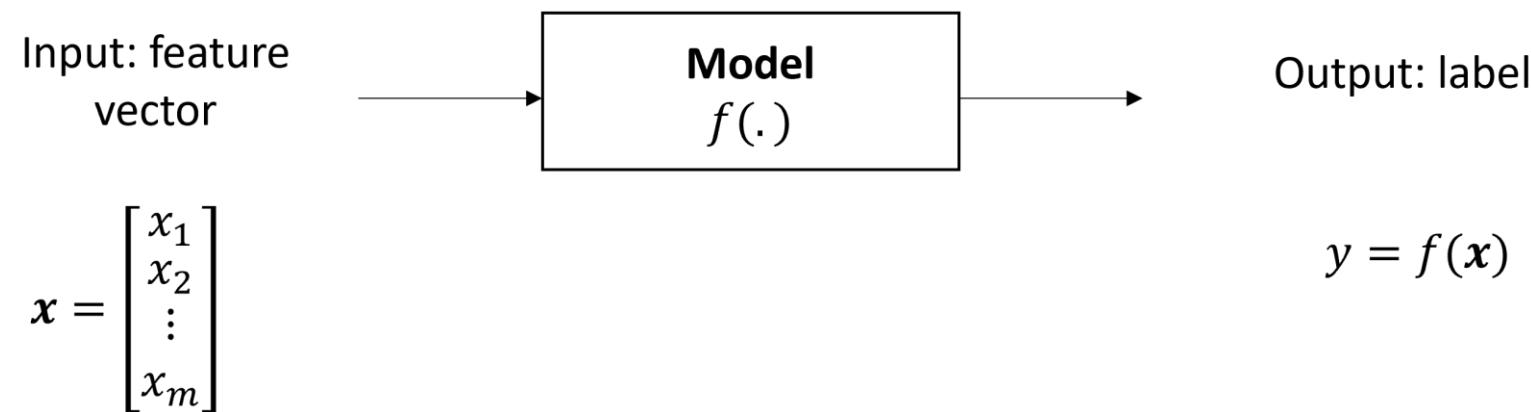


# Machine Learning Models

- Machine learning models consist of linear and non-linear models.
- We will now discuss linear models, and what a linear model means for regression, and what it means for classification. How to geometrically interpret them, and what does training linear models mean.

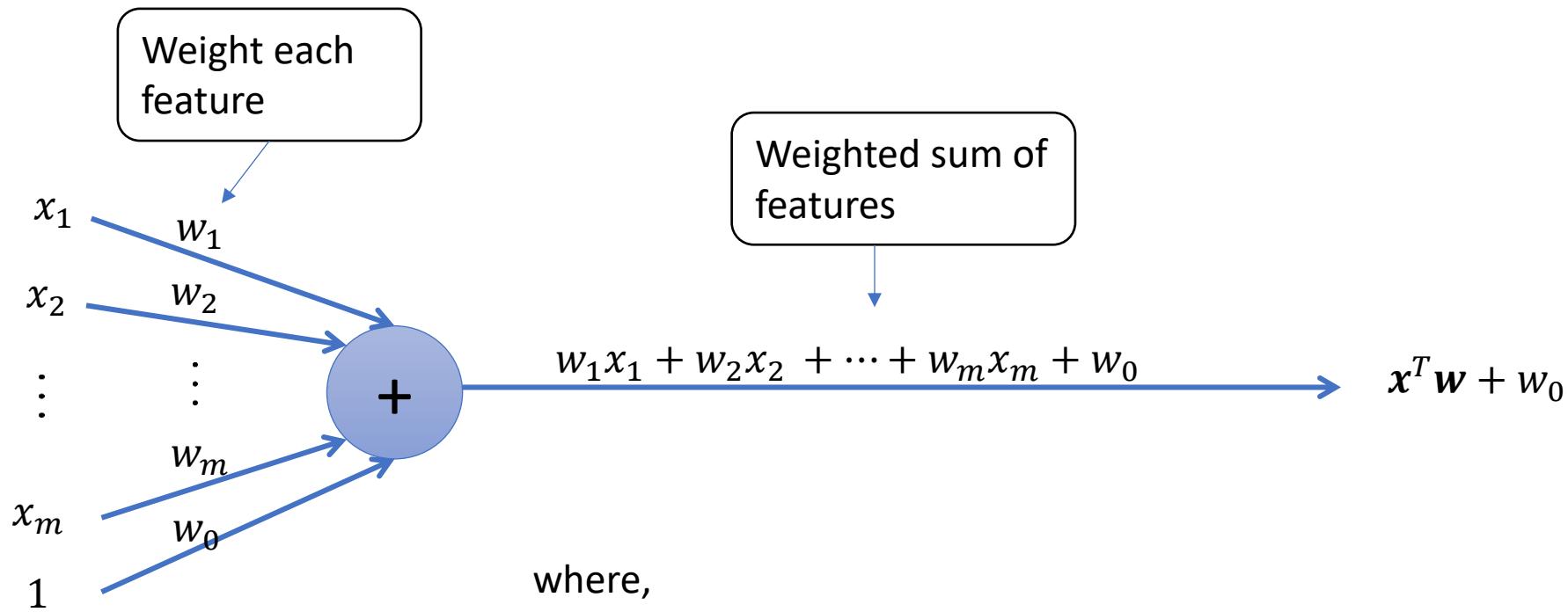
# Linear model

# Linear Models - Description



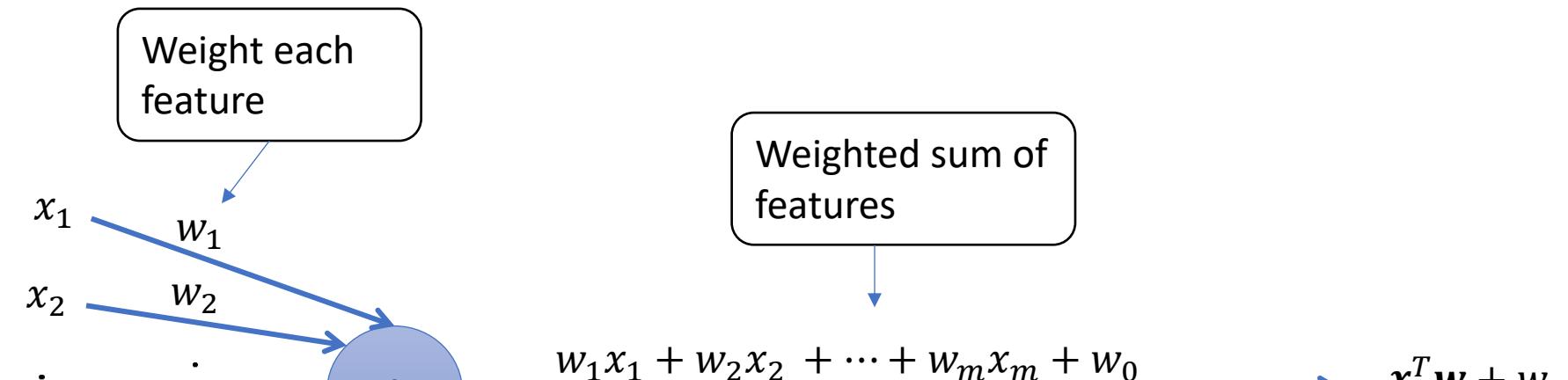
What assumptions do linear model make about the form of  $f(.)$ ?

# Linear Models - Description



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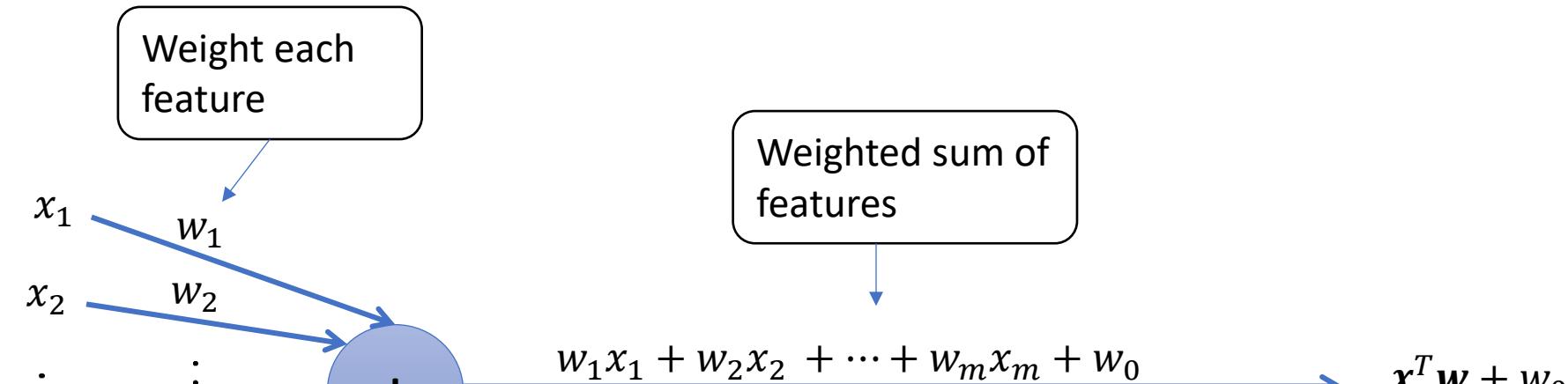


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**What do linear models do?**  
It allows us to convert from a higher dimensional space to a scalar value.  
It compresses the information contained in each feature in one scalar.

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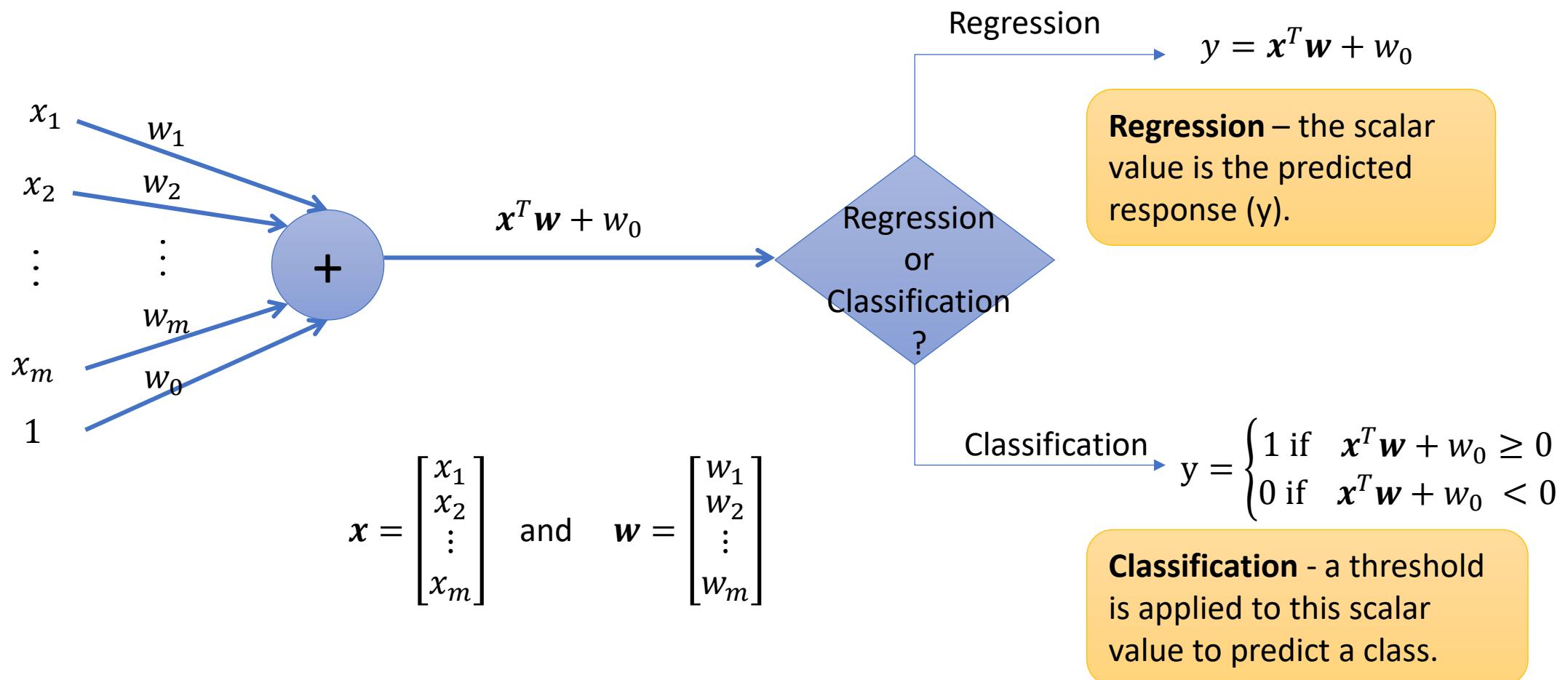


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**Regression** – the scalar value is the predicted response.  
**Classification** - a threshold is applied to this scalar value to predict a class.

# Regression and Classification Linear model



# How do we find the weights of the linear model?

- We find them by training/fitting the linear model on the training data set: the weights are the **parameters** of the linear models.
- What do we mean by model's parameters?
  - The parameters of a model are the building blocks of a model.
  - The functional form  $f(\cdot)$  of a model is defined through the model's parameters.
  - If we know the parameters of a model, we know everything about it.

# Model Components

- **Parameters:**  $w = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m)$  and  $w_0$ 
  - The heart and soul of the linear model
  - Allows the model to adapt to the current problem
- The goal of the training phase is to learn the weights from the training data: pairs of data features and labels.
- We say that the weights summarize the information that is in the training data.

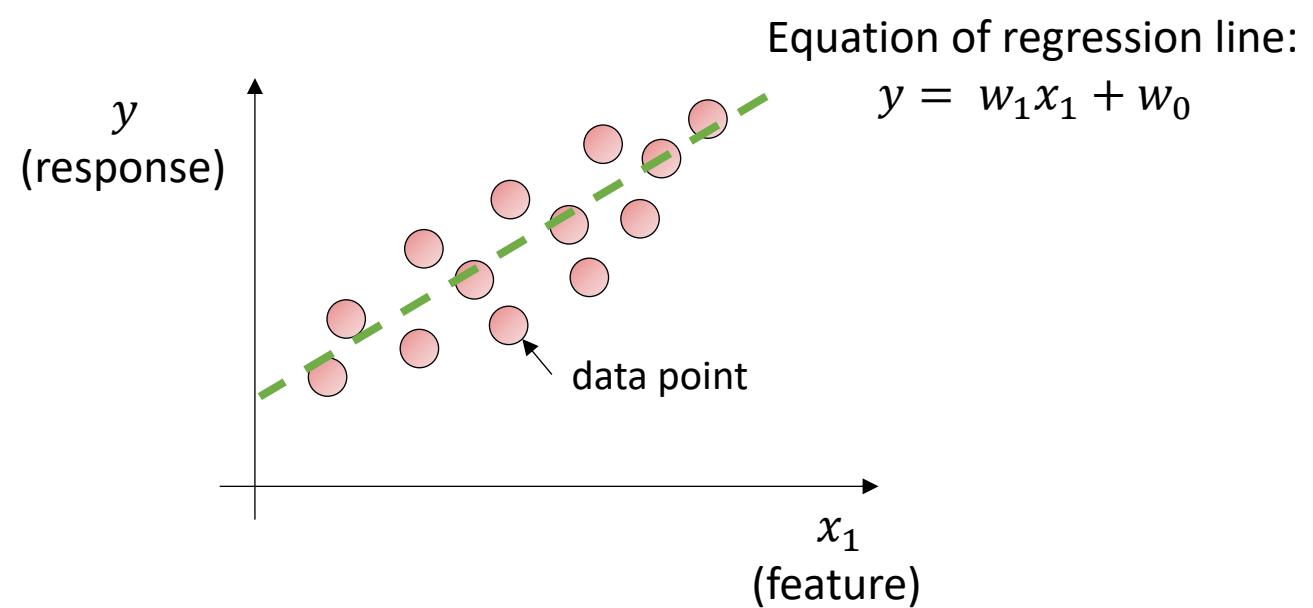
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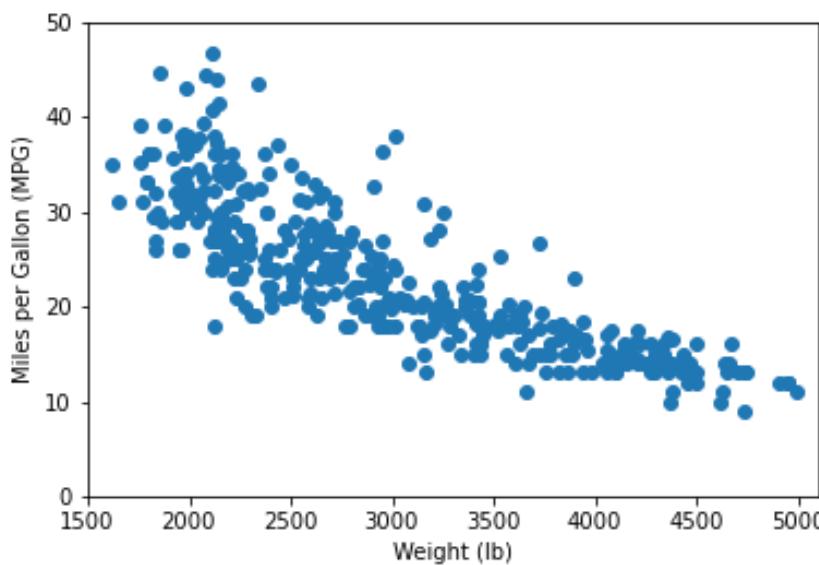
- Simple Linear regression (one feature):

$$y = w_1 x_1 + w_0$$

- We're interested in predicting  $y$  from  $x_1$ .
- Geometric Interpretation: a simple linear regression model fits the observed training data with a line.



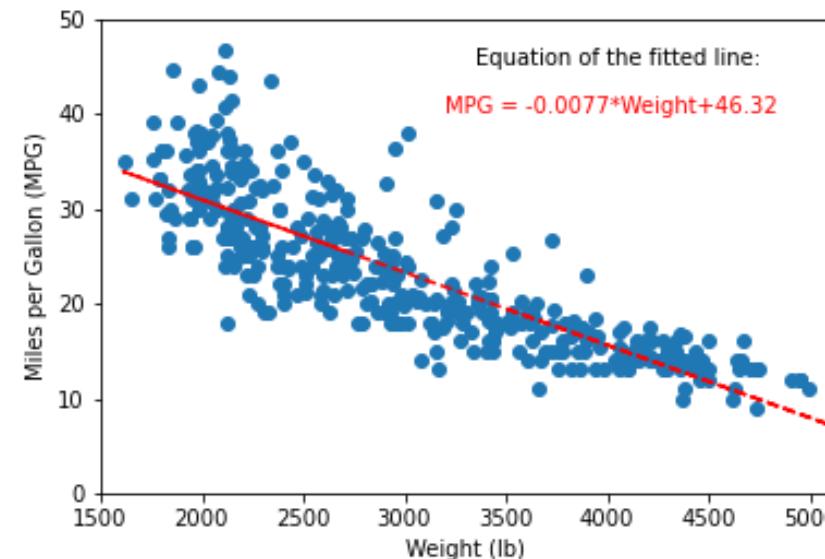
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Can we predict car fuel consumption in miles per gallon (MPG) from the car's weight?

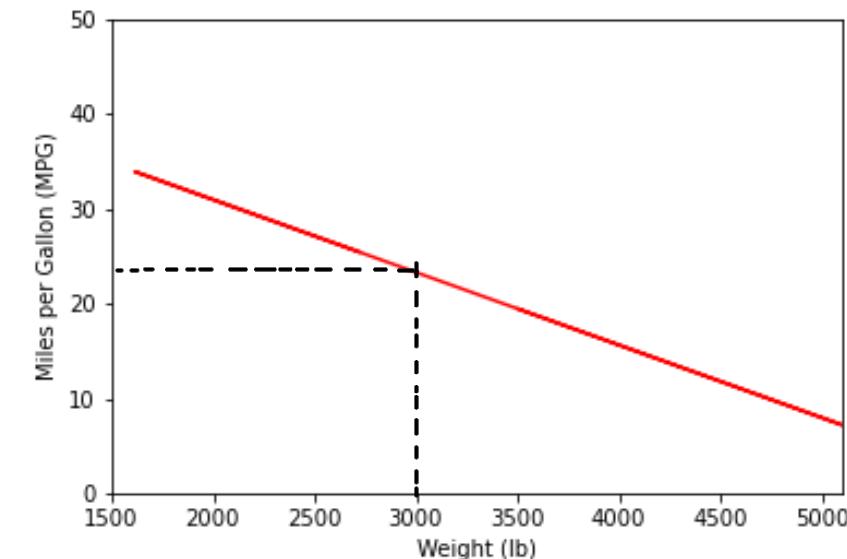
- We are given a dataset of the weights of several cars and their corresponding MPG.

Training Phase



During the training phase, the training algorithm tries to find  $w_1$  and  $w_0$  that best approximate the observed relationship.

Prediction Phase



Now the line can be used to predict the MPG of a car given its weight.  
Predict MPG for car with weight: 3000 lbs.

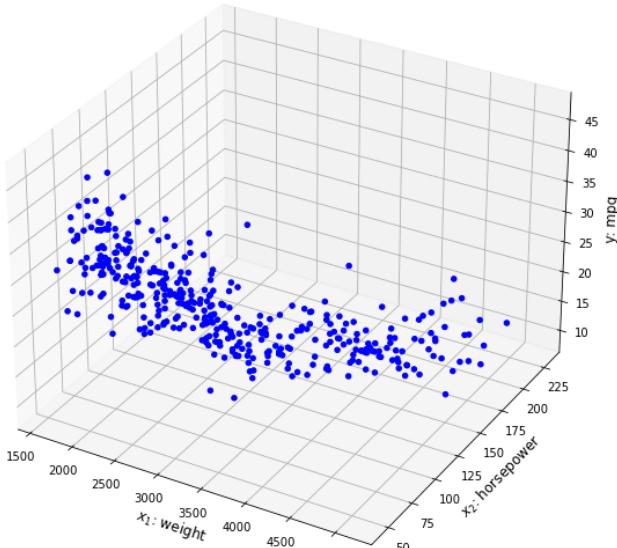
# Multiple Linear Regression

- Multiple Linear regression (more than one feature):

$$y = w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_0$$

- We're interested in predicting  $y$  from  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ .
- Geometric Interpretation: a multiple linear regression model fits the observed training data (with two features) with a plane.

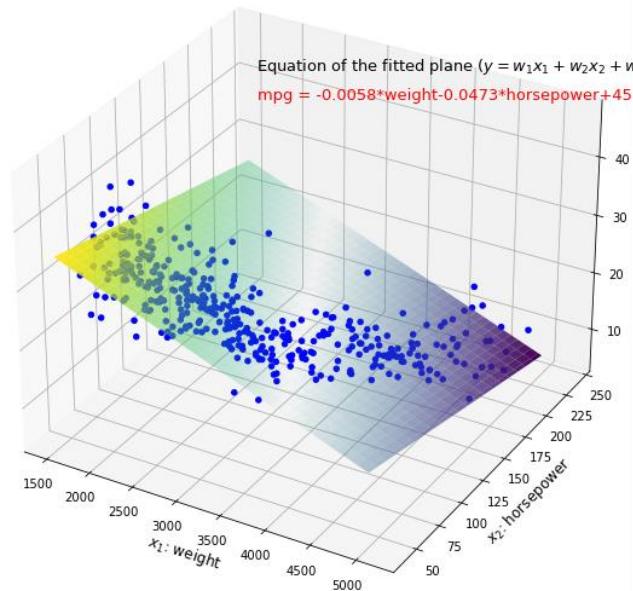
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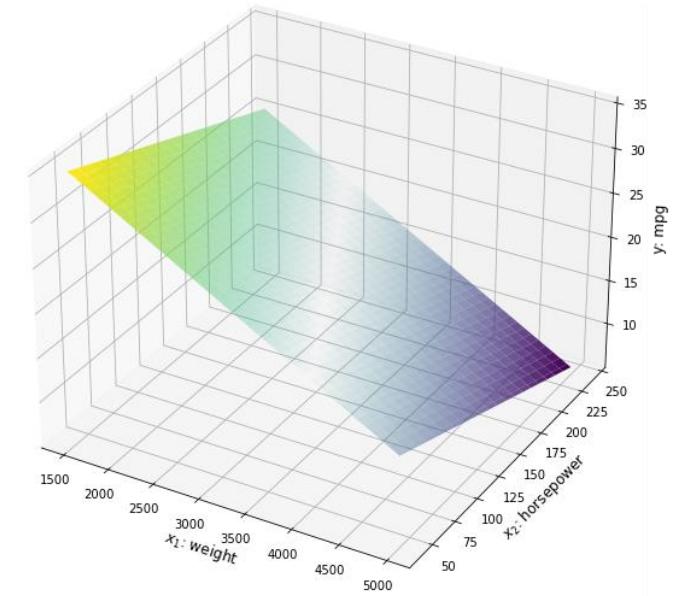
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Now the plane can be used to predict the MPG of a car given its weight and horsepower.

# Linear Classification (Binary Classification)

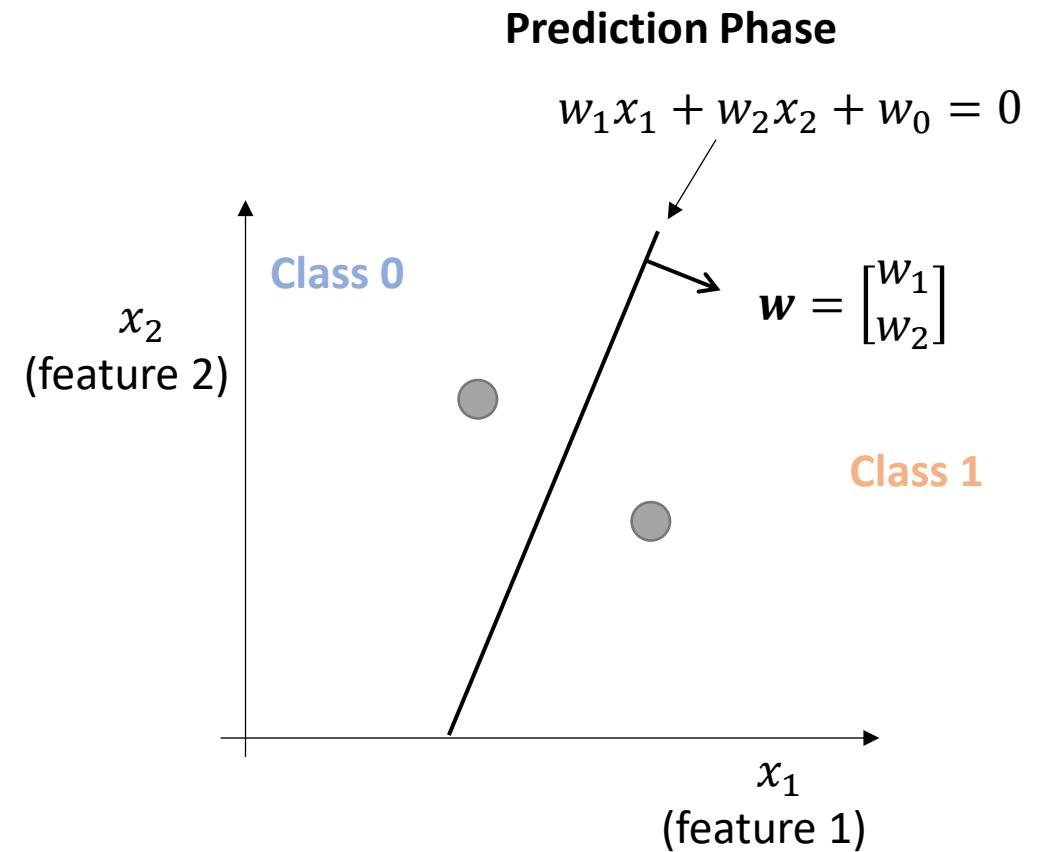
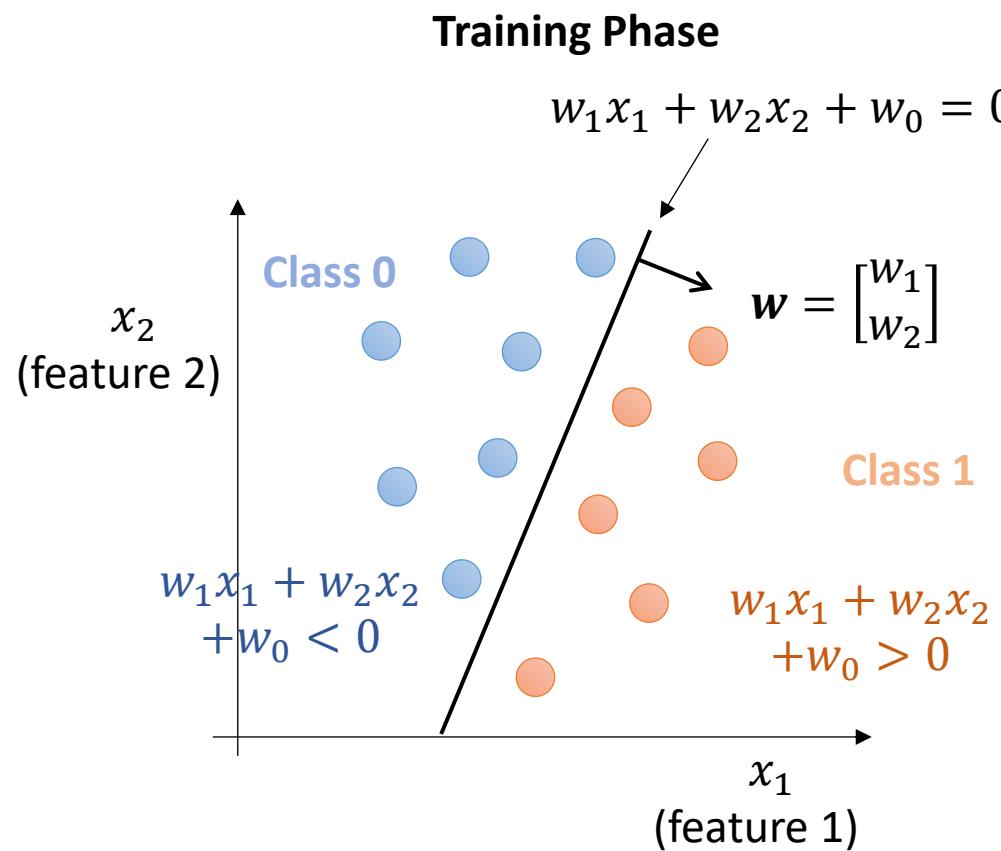
# Geometric Interpretation of Linear Classifiers

- Training a linear classifier models can be understood as finding the weights such as:

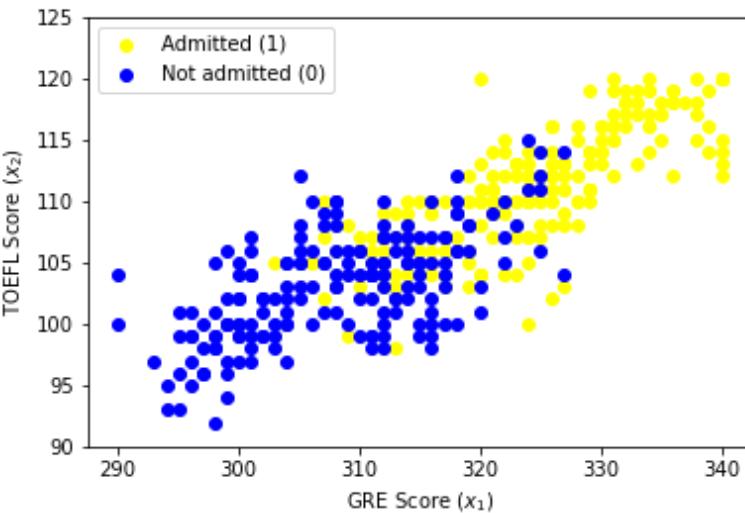
$$y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} + w_0 \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} + w_0 < 0 \end{cases}$$

- This means that a linear model finds the hyperplane:  $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} + w_0 = 0$  that divides the feature space (space of all possible feature vectors) into two half-spaces (two decision regions).

# Linear Classifier – Two-dimensional feature space

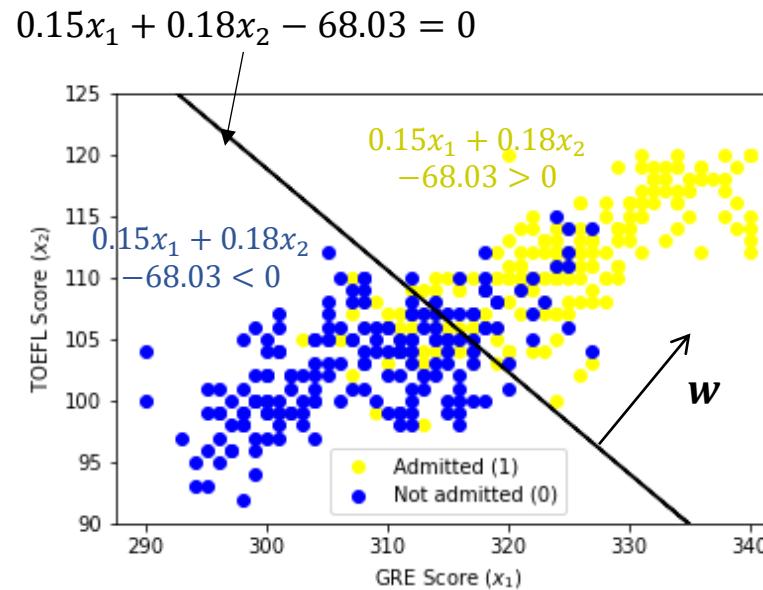


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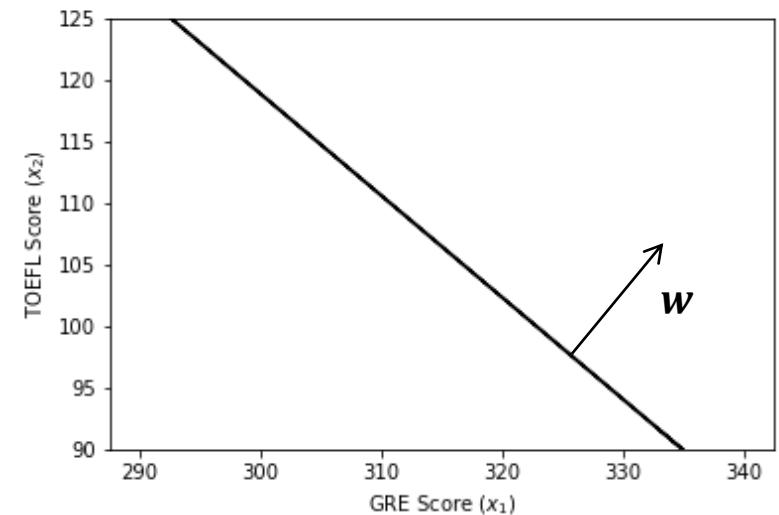
- GRE scores and TOEFL scores of students who applied to graduated school and whether they were admitted or not.
- Given this data, we're interested in predicting if a student will be admitted or not based on their GRE and TOEFL scores.

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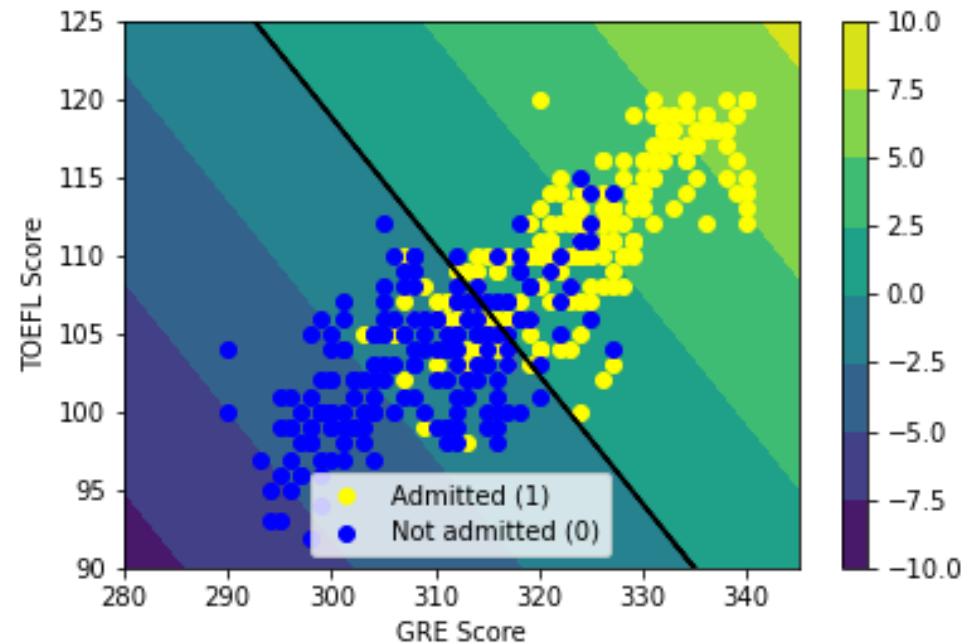
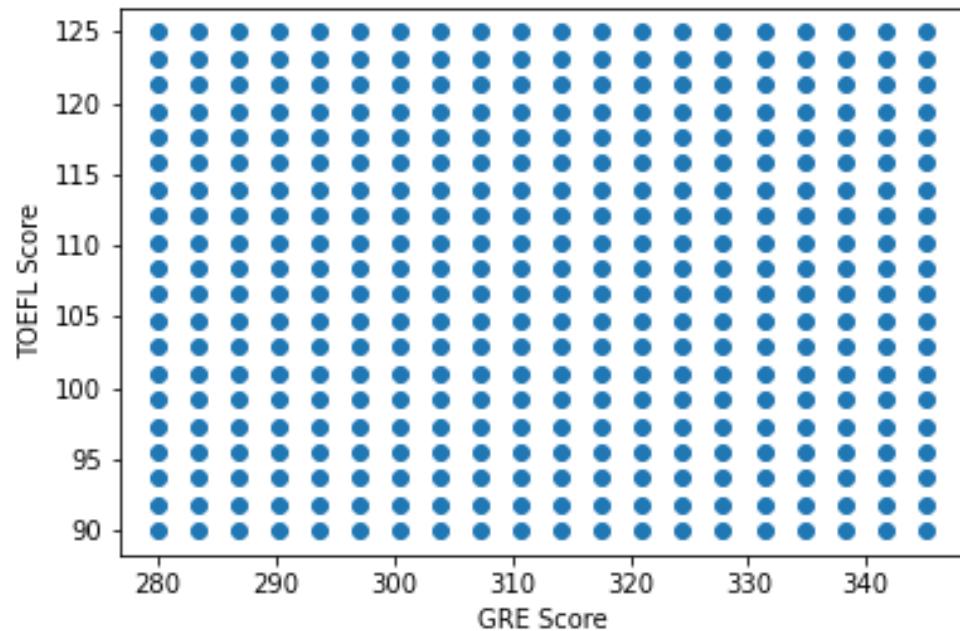
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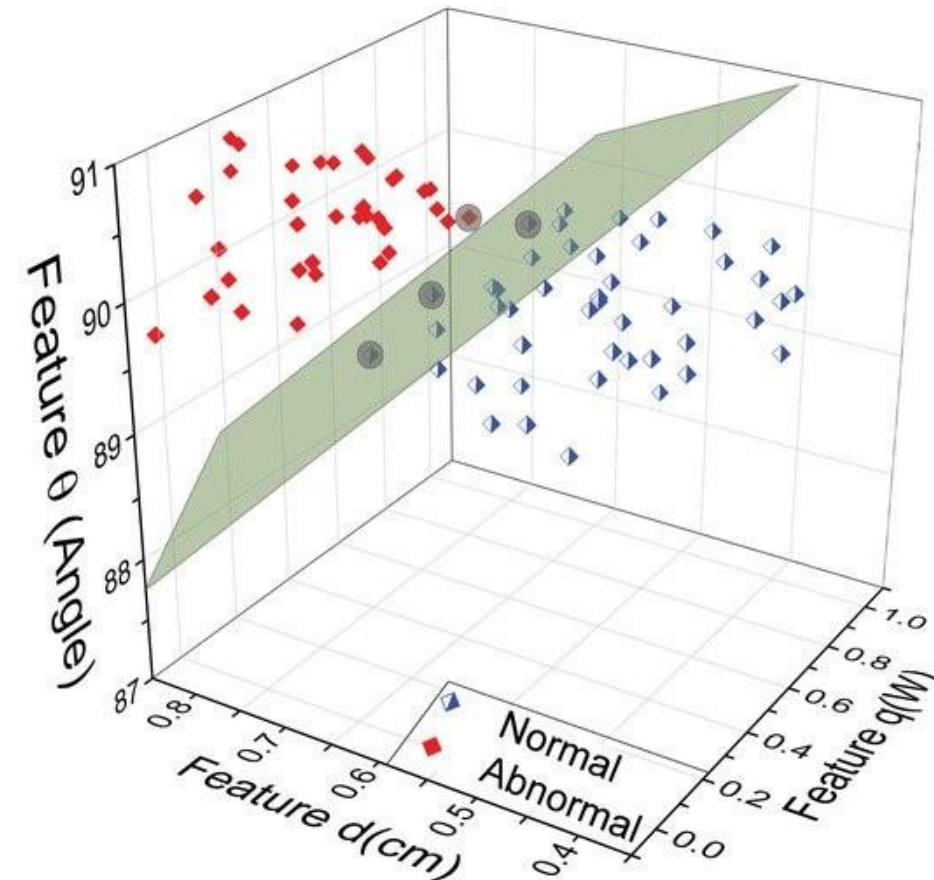
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- The colors shown on the right figure represent the actual values (levels) of the weighted sum in the feature space.
- This plot is generated by evaluating the weighted sum for each point shown on the grid of the left figure.
- We will learn later that with logistic regression, the higher (lower) this value is, the more the model is certain that the feature vector corresponds to class 1 (0).

# Linear Classifier – Example in 3D feature space

- The figure shows three physiological features (depth, intensity, radius) that were extracted from breast thermograms to classify normal and abnormal breast thermograms



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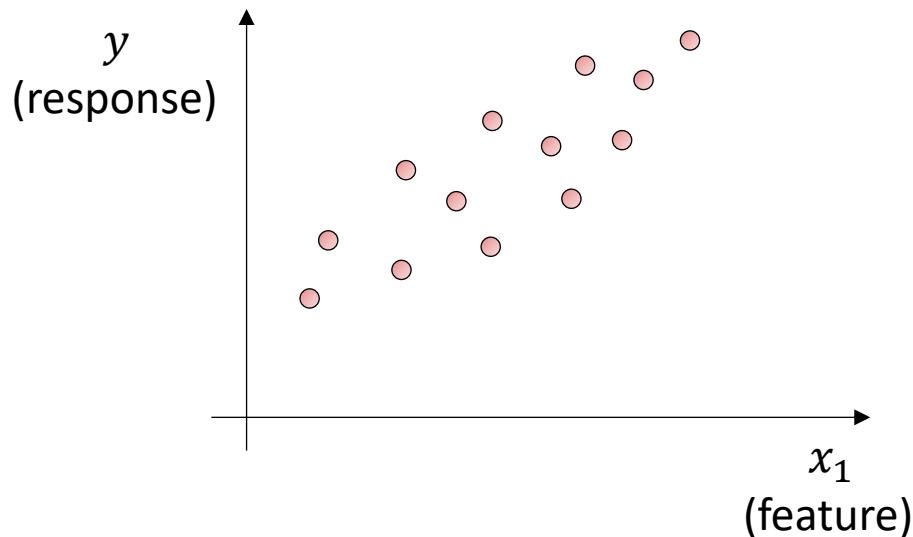
# Training Algorithm for Linear Models

# Training Linear models

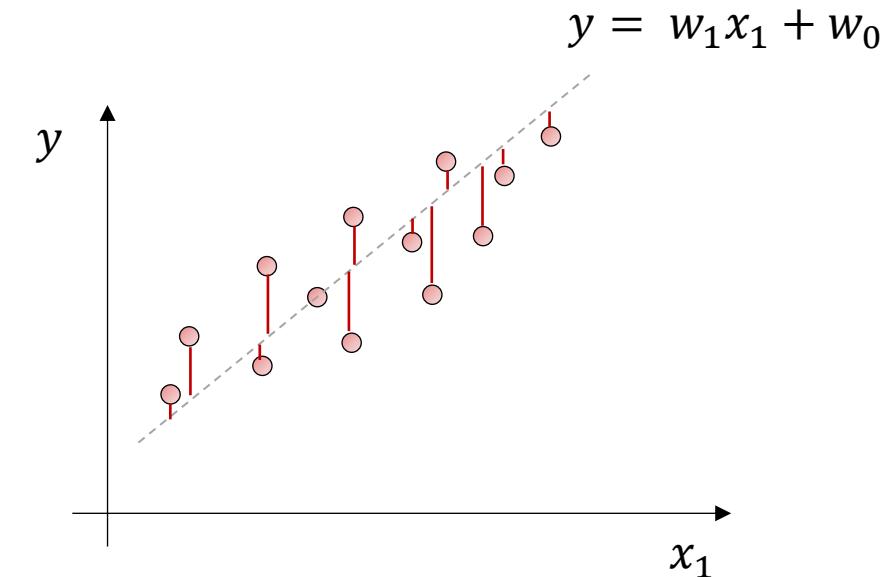
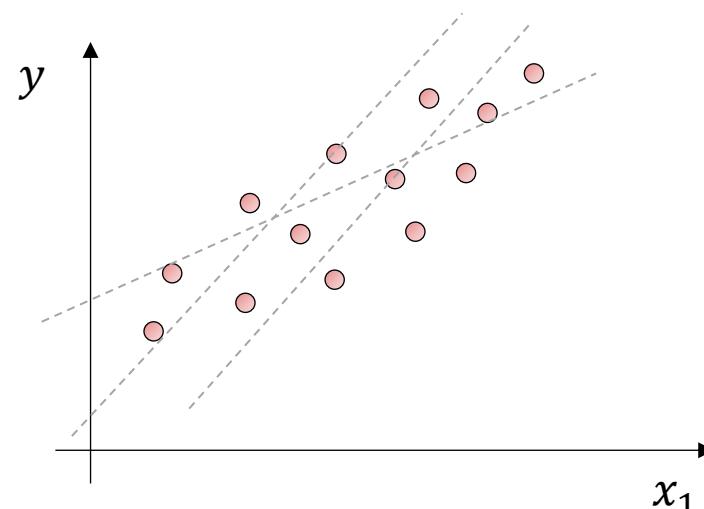
- For both linear regression and linear classification (logistic regression, linear SVM), the problem of finding the weights of the model given the training set is formulated as an optimization problem.
- In the second half of the course, we will look at how each linear model formulates the problem of model fitting as an optimization problem and how we can solve such optimization problem.

# Training Linear Regression

Simple Linear Regression



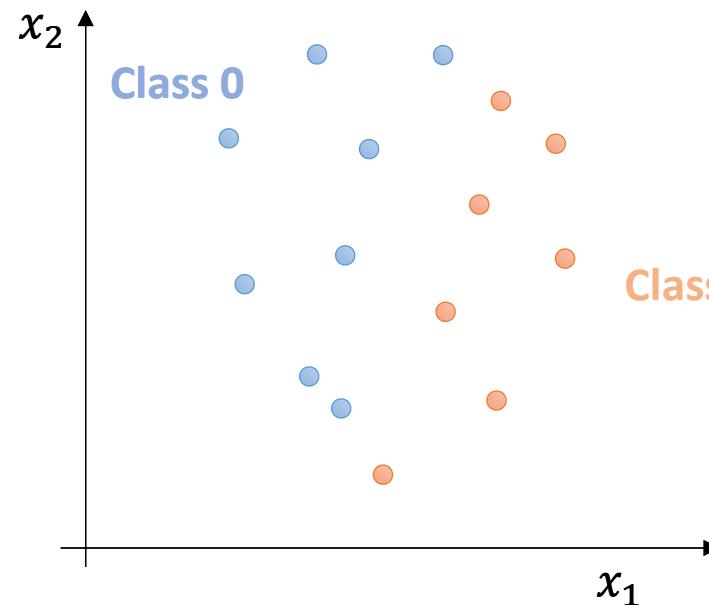
Training Linear Regression



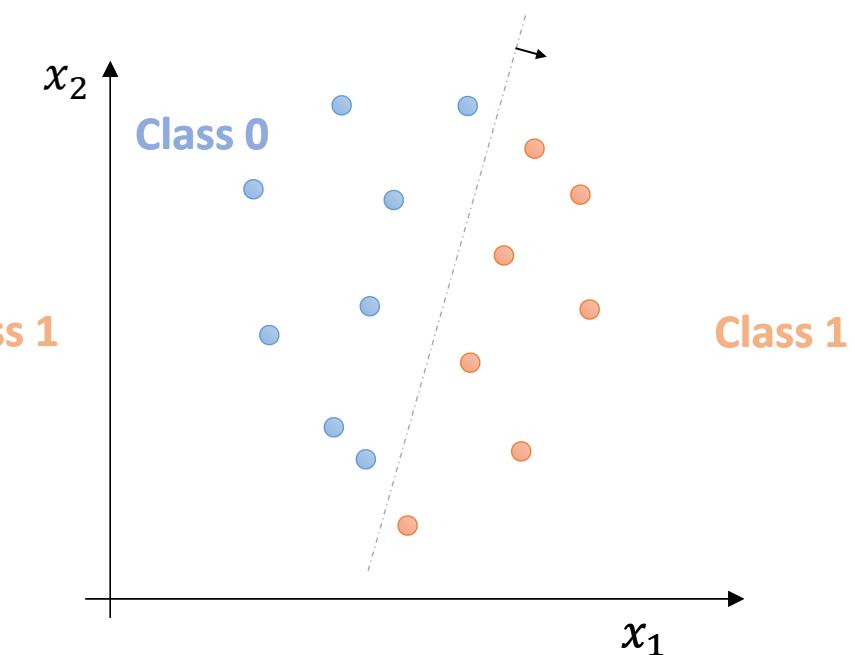
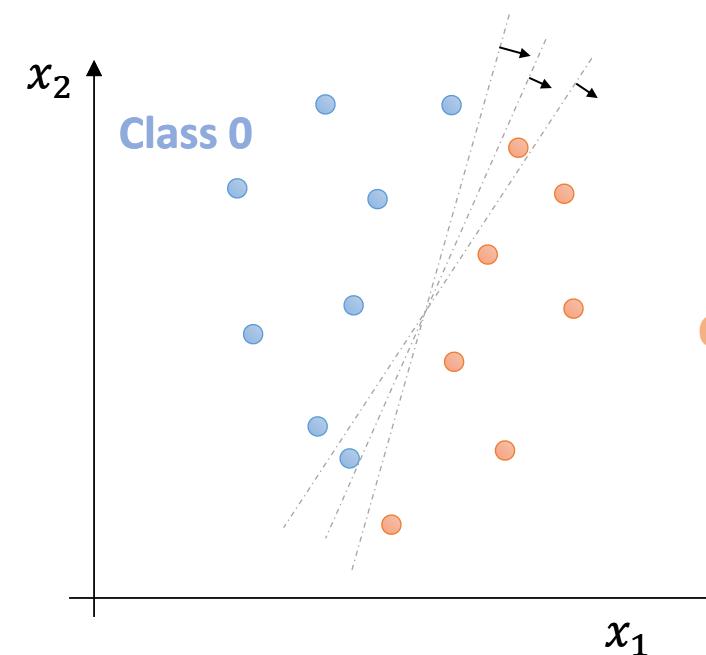
The fitted line is chosen by minimizing the sum of the squared vertical distances between each observation and the line.

# Training a linear classifier

Linear Classification



Training Linear Classification



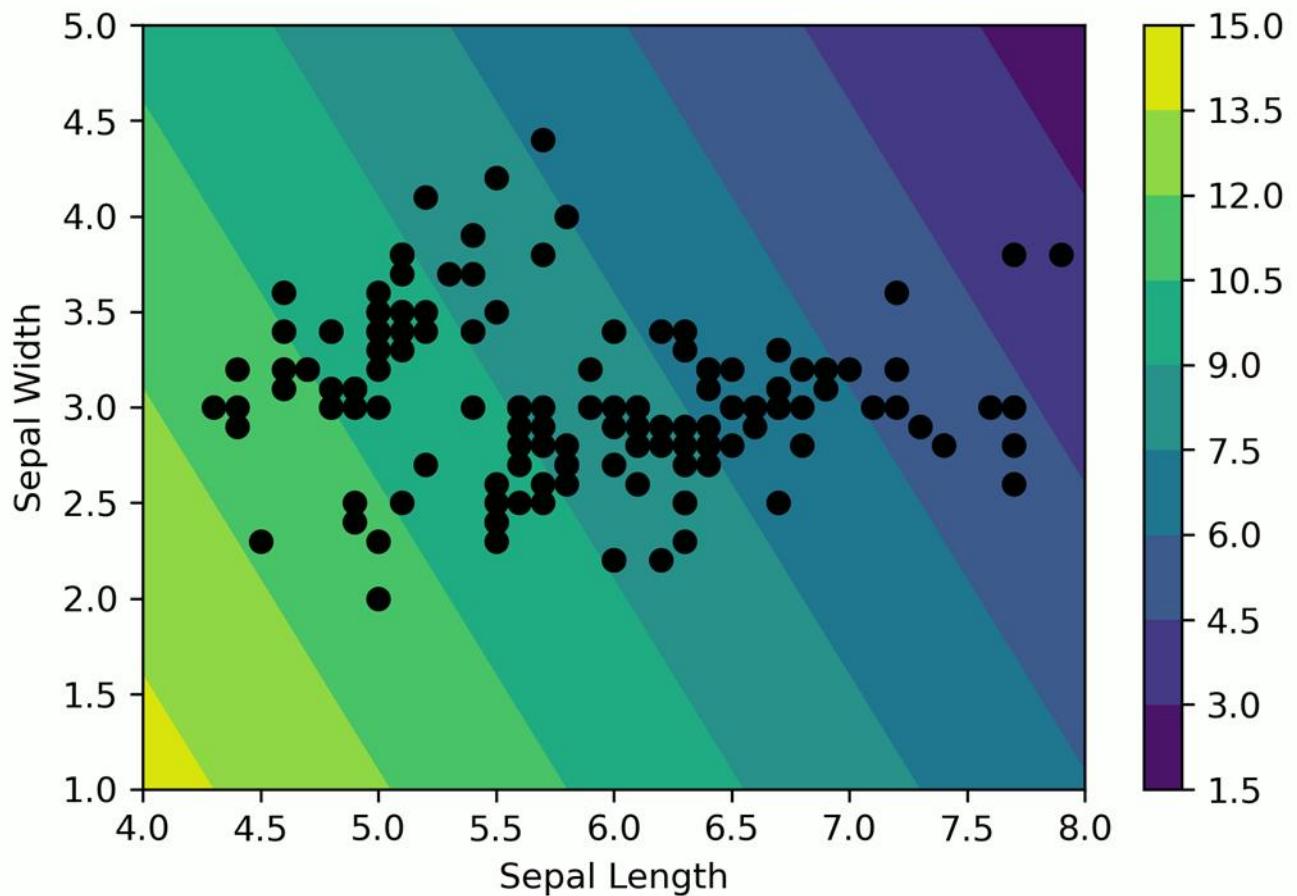
- The separating hyperplane is chosen by minimizing the overall miss-classification.

# Changing Model Parameters

Let  $g(x) = x^T w + w_0$

$$g(x) = 0.75x_1 - x_2 - 0.9$$

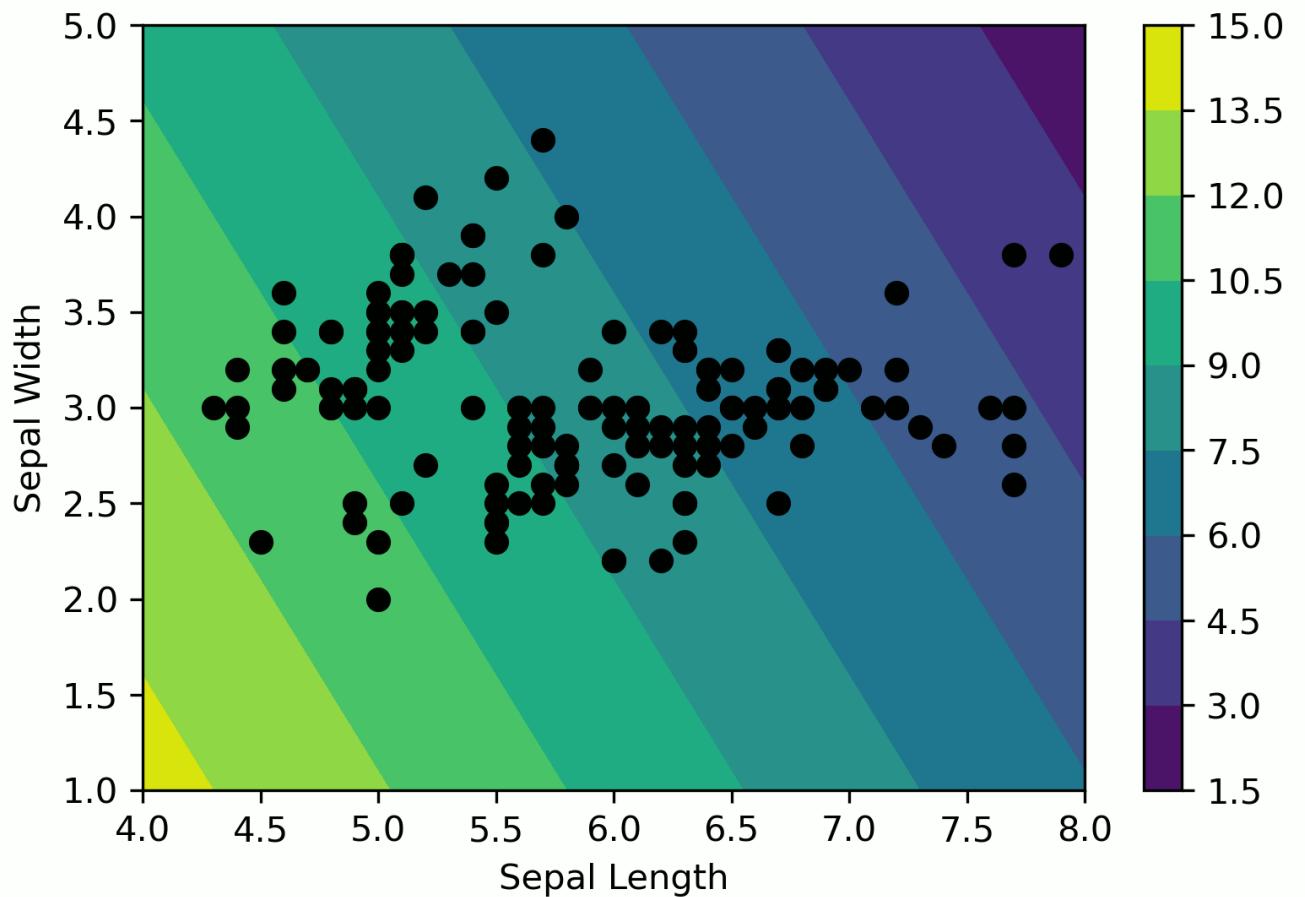
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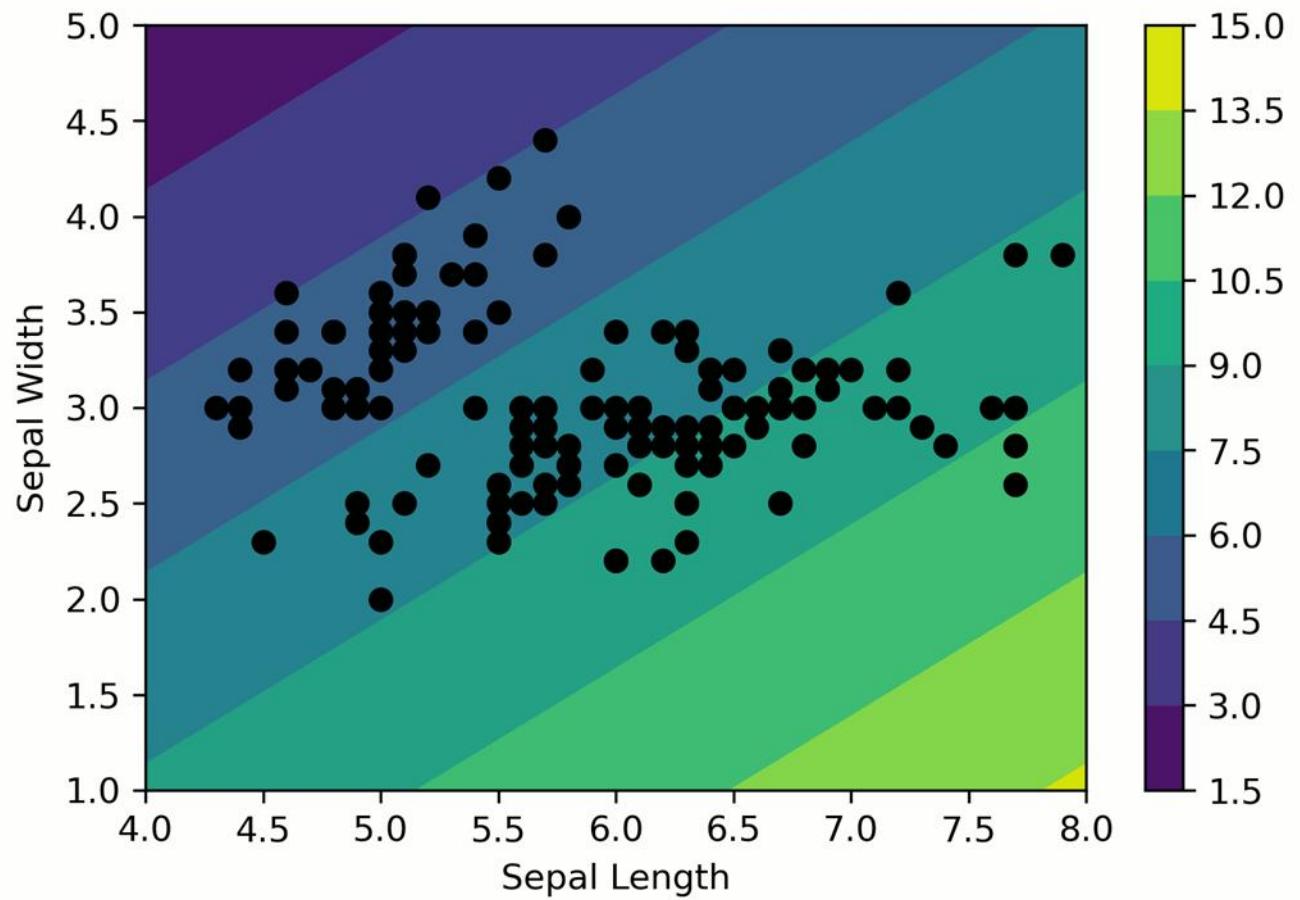
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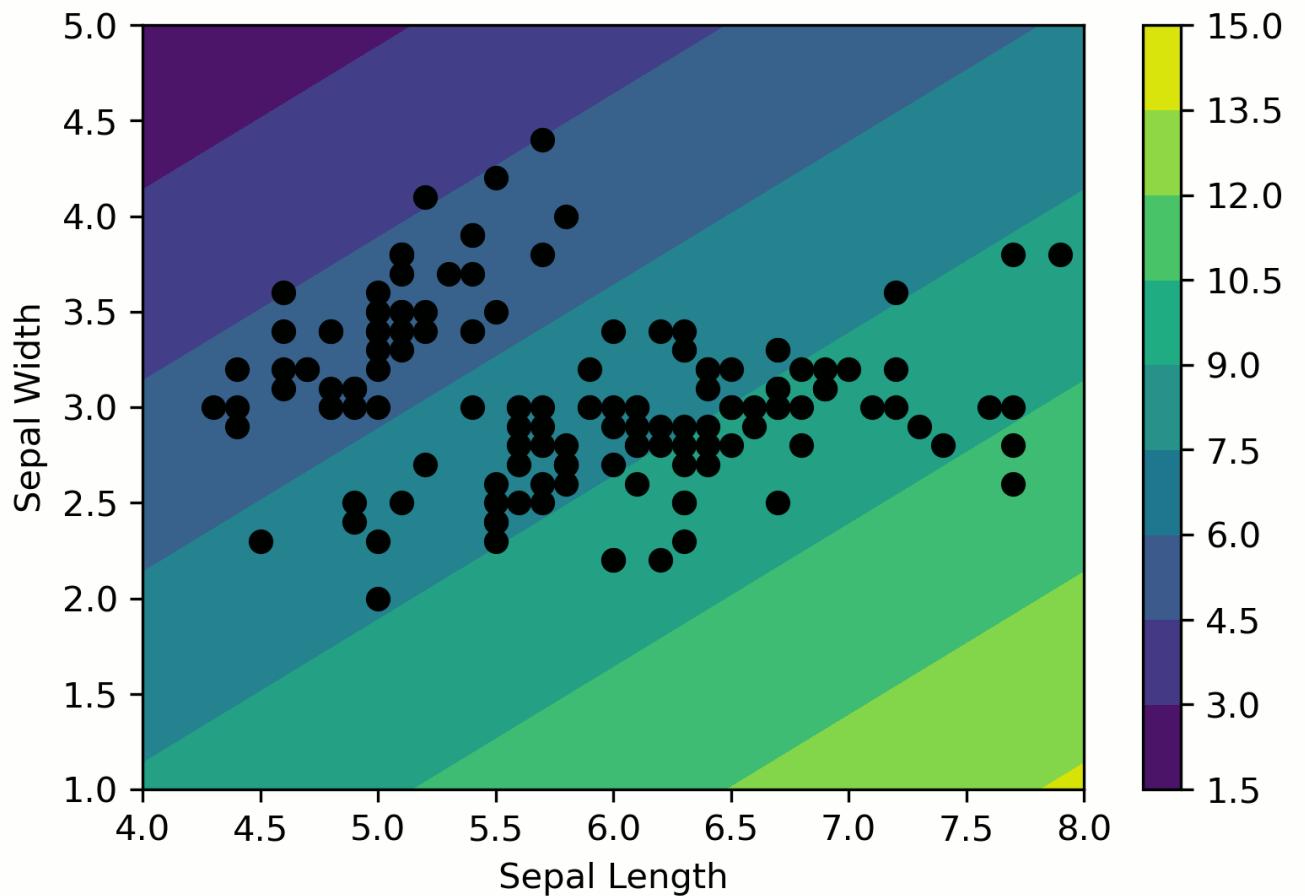
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Sweep  $w_0$



# Linear Models

## Advantages

- Simple model
- When used for prediction, they are computationally fast. Since they summarize data with a finite set of weights, storing trained linear models only requires storing the weights.
- Linear model are interpretable: the weights helps us understand the contribution of each feature to the overall prediction.

## Disadvantages

Linear models has limitations. They can be too simple:

- What if classes are not linearly separable ? (classification)
- What if features are not linearly related to the response?