

# Supervised learning. Linear models

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# Supervised learning

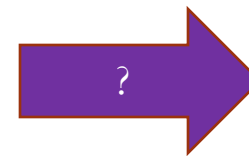
- Concept
  - Input data with available output values
  - Learn the input – output association
  - Prediction on the target of new data
- Classification
  - Output grouped in two or more **classes**
  - **Qualitative** output (**discrete, factor, categorical, ordered categorical**)
  - Prediction on the class of new data
- Regression
  - **Quantitative** output (**continuous**)
  - Prediction on the target numerical value for new input

# Classification

Input



Association



Output

A

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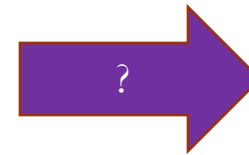
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# Regression

Input



Association

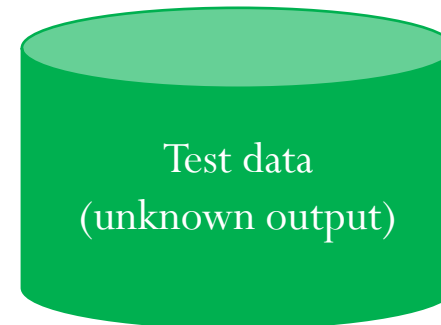
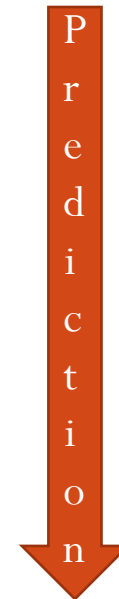
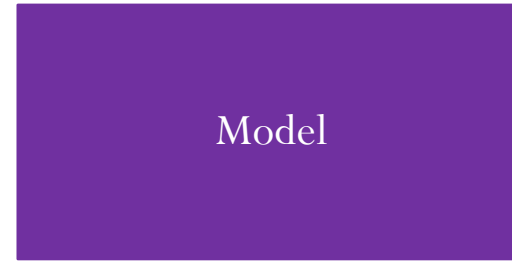
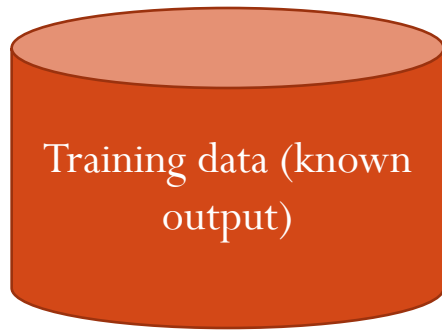


Output

0.2

0.4

0.9



Classification,  
regression

# Supervised learning

- A data set - pairs of the type (input, output)
  - The input is a sequence of values for the data attributes
  - The output is a confirmed decision
- Every record (**object**, **example**, **vector**) is described by a number of attributes with values from a discrete or continuous domain.
- The targets are either all discrete (classification), or continuous (regression).

# Definitions

- Given a data set of  $m$  records  $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_m\}$ , where
  - every data point is defined by  $n$  attributes  $\mathbf{x}_i \in R^n$
  - each has an associated outcome  $y_1, \dots, y_m$
  - Discrete outcome  $y \rightarrow$  classification
  - Continuous outcome  $y \rightarrow$  regression
- A supervised learning task is to build a model that
  - learns the association between  $x$  and  $y$
  - and predicts the outcome for new data points.

# The model and the data

- The data set is split in three distinct subsets:
  - The **training** set
  - The **validation** set
  - The **test** set (data output is hidden)
- The algorithm **learns** the association between every training data point and its output (training phase).
- The obtained model:
  - tested on the validation set to measure its **prediction** error
    - Parameter tuning
    - Variable selection
  - tested on the test set to assess the **generalization ability**

TRAINING

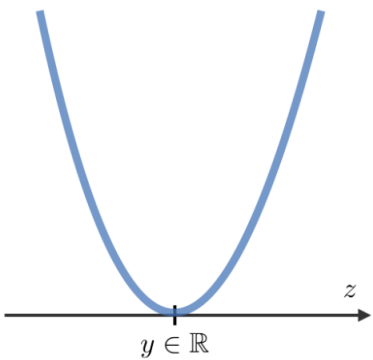
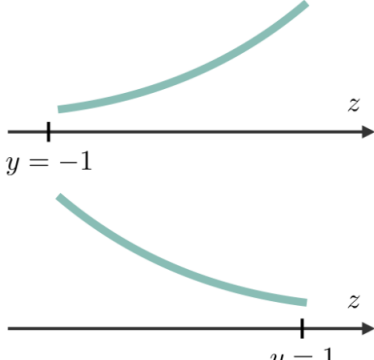
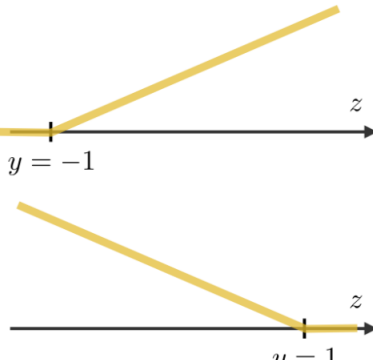
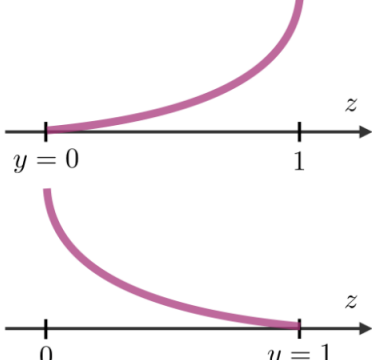
VALIDATION

TEST



# The loss function

- Loss measures how much the model learns the I/O relationship.
- Takes as arguments the predicted value of the model  $z$  and the corresponding data real output  $y$  and returns their difference.
- Cost function – sum of loss over all training data

Least squared error	Logistic loss	Hinge loss	Cross-entropy
$\frac{1}{2}(y - z)^2$	$\log(1 + \exp(-yz))$	$\max(0, 1 - yz)$	$-[y \log(z) + (1 - y) \log(1 - z)]$
			
Linear regression	Logistic regression	SVM	Neural Network

# Example

- Classification – Pima Indians diabetes
- Class:
  - positive for diabetes (class 1) – 268 cases
  - negative (class 0) – 500 cases

Pregnancies	Glucose	Blood pressure	Skin thickness	Insulin	BMI	Diabetes pedigree	Age	Class
6	148	72	35	0	33.6	0.627	50	1
1	85	66	29	0	26.6	0.351	31	0
8	183	64	0	0	23.3	0.672	32	1

# Example

- Regression - Boston housing — 506 instances
- Median value of houses in thousands of American \$

Crim e rate	Prop ortio n of resid ential zones	Prop ortio n of non- retail busin ess	River	Nitric oxide conc entra tion	Avera ge numb er of room s	Prop ortio n of build ing befor e 1940	Dista nce to empl oyme nt centr es	Acces ibilit y to railw ays	Tax	Pupil - teach er ratio	Prop ortip A ppro prie tion	Perce nt of low dis tribu tion	Medi an value
0.00632	18.00	2.310	0	0.5380	6.5750	65.20	4.0900	1	296.0	15.30	396.90	98	24.00
0.02731	0.00	7.070	0	0.4690	6.4210	78.90	4.9671	2	242.0	17.80	392.83	4	21.60
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# Linear models

- Sufficient performance for a low number of training data points
- Regression
  - Linear regression model
- Classification
  - Logistic regression
  - Linear support vector machines

# Multiple linear regression

- $m$  training data of the type  $(X, Y)$ :
  - $X = (X^1, X^2, \dots, X^n)$  an **input** vector
    - $n$  **attributes** - **independent, explanatory, predictor variables**
  - $Y$  – **outcome**
    - **Dependent** variable, function of the other variables, response variable
    - $Y$  takes continuous values
- The regression equation:  $f(X) = b_0 + b_1X^1 + b_2X^2 + \dots + b_nX^n$ 
  - $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$  – regression **coefficients**
  - $b_0$  – **intercept**

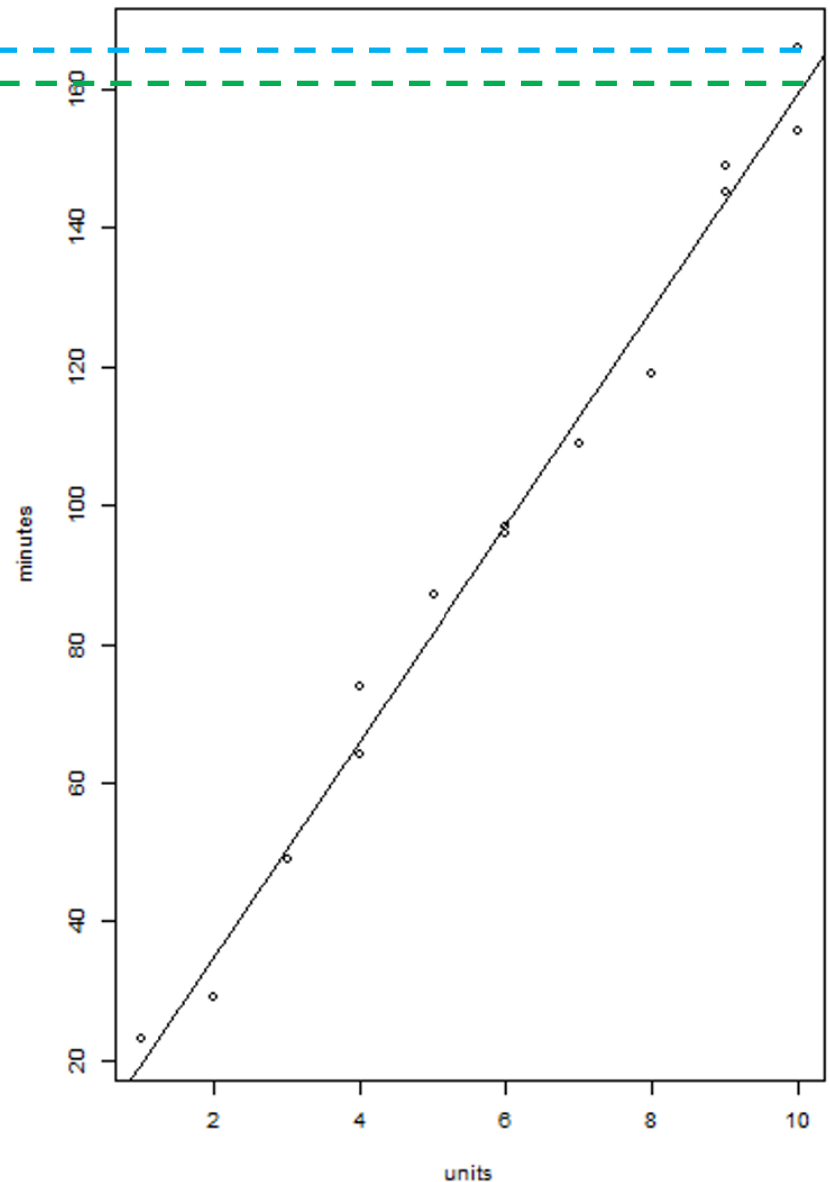
# Parameter estimation

- Least squares method
- Determines the coefficients  $b_j, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ , such as to minimize the sum of squared residuals ( $SR$ ) for the training data  $(x_i, y_i), i = 1, 2, \dots, m$
- $SR = \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - f(x_i))^2$
- The residual (error) is the difference between the real outcome value and the value predicted through  $f$ .

$Y$   
 $Y_{\text{pred}}$   
 $e$

# Simple linear regression

- Example: estimation of the duration for repairing some computer components (in minutes), given the number of components to repair



# Multiple linear regression - R

- Problem: Boston housing (506 records, 13 indicators + target)
  - In package mlbench that needs to be installed and included
  - Outcome: medv

- Function `lm()`

```
1  library(mlbench)
2  data(BostonHousing)
3
4  classColumn <- 14
5
6  b_test <- tail(BostonHousing, n = 146)
7  b_train <- head(BostonHousing, n = -146)
8
9  m1m <- lm(medv ~ ., data = b_train)
10 print(summary(m1m))
```



# Results and interpretation (1/4)

```
lm(formula = medv ~ ., data = b_train)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
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Coefficients:
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

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Multiple R-squared:  0.8694,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.8644
F-statistic: 177.1 on 13 and 346 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model is:

$$f(X) = Y = -14.31 + 0.69 \cdot \text{crim} + 0.01 \cdot \text{zn} + 0.04 \cdot \text{indus} + 0.7 \cdot \text{chas} - 5.77 \cdot \text{nox} + 9.16 \cdot \text{rm} - 0.04 \cdot \text{age} - 0.84 \cdot \text{dis} + 0.1 \cdot \text{rad} - 0.01 \cdot \text{tax} - 0.61 \cdot \text{ptratio} + 0.01 \cdot \text{black} - 0.1 \cdot \text{lstat}$$

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- Hypothesis: Residuals must have normal distribution, with mean at 0 and values closer to the mean and not at margin
- Regression coefficients
- Standard error (StD) of a coefficient – measures the precision of the model in estimating the coefficient unknown value
  - Smaller value is better

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- Measure of the importance of the variable
  - \*\*\* high significance
  - p-value as low as possible
- Standard error of residuals – ideal proportional to the first and third quartile ( $1.5 \pm \text{mean}$ )
- Degrees of freedom – difference between the number of records and number of variables (coefficients + intercept)

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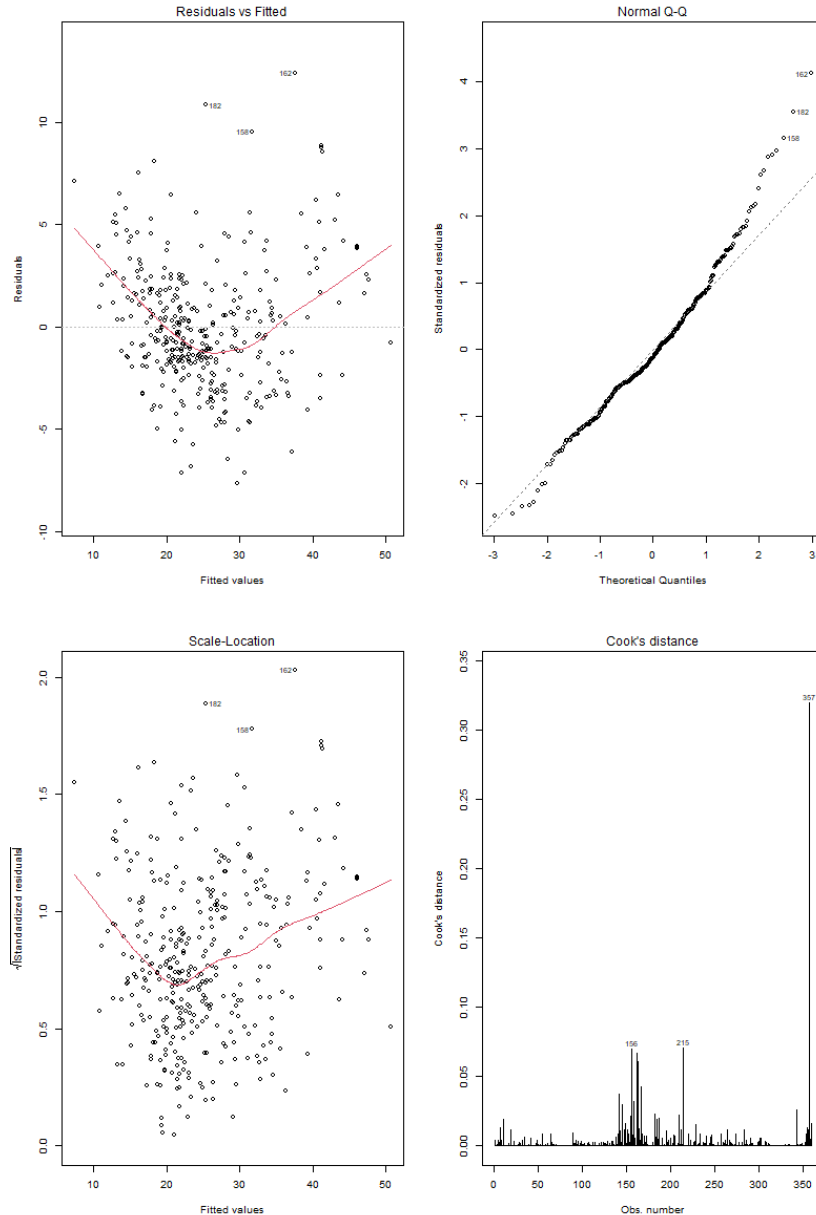
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- $R^2$  evaluates the degree of agreement (fit) of the model with the data – ideally closer to 1.
- The model explains 86% of the original variability, and 14% comes from residual variability.
- The F test compares the model with all parameters against one with less.
  - The low p-value says the model with all is good.

# Other hypotheses on the model

1. The predicted values must be expressed as a linear function of the  $X$  variables.
  2. The variance of observations around the regression line is constant (homoscedasticity).
  3. The predicted values (or the errors) have normal distribution.
- All these hypotheses can be checked by examining the residuals.

# Diagnostic plots (1/4)



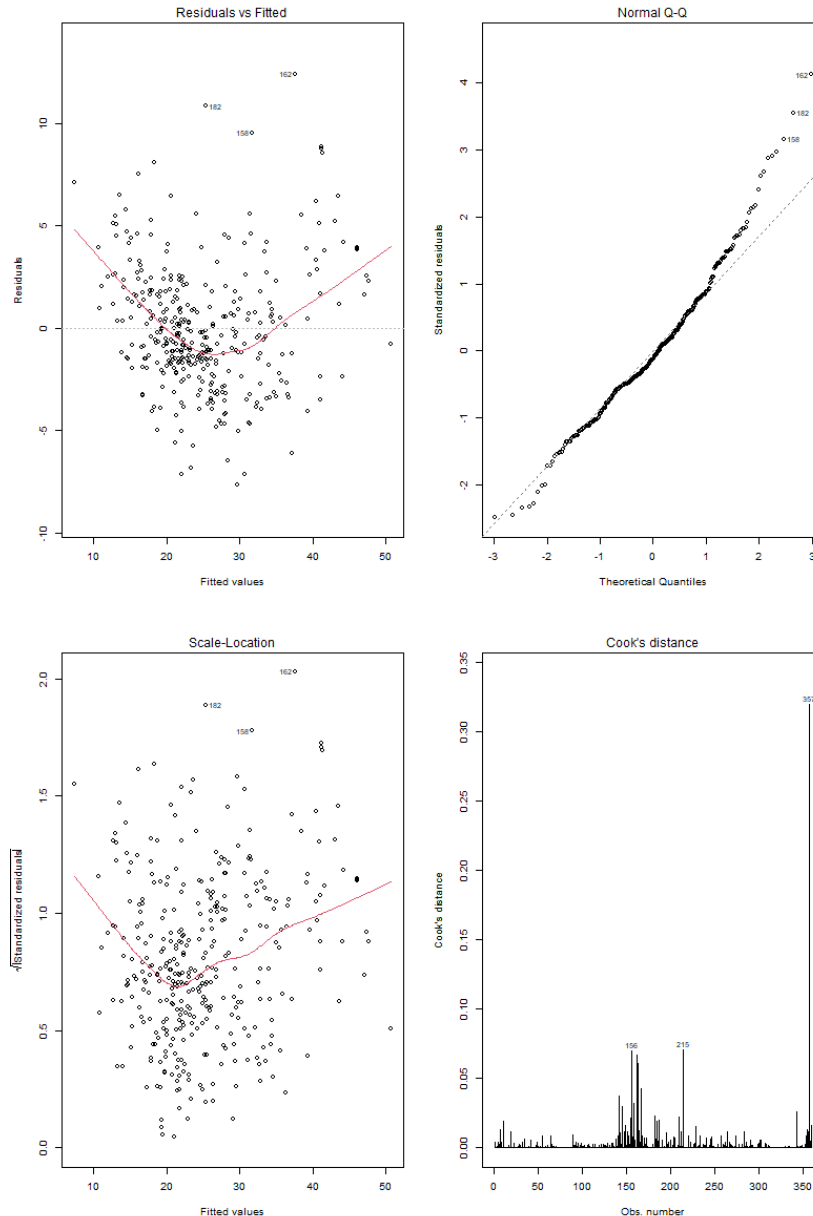
- R can plot diagnostic plots for the model that was fit to the data.
- Useful especially for multiple regression
  - When model visualization is impossible
- Add to the program:

```
par(mfrow = c(2, 2))  
plot(mlm, which = 1:4)
```

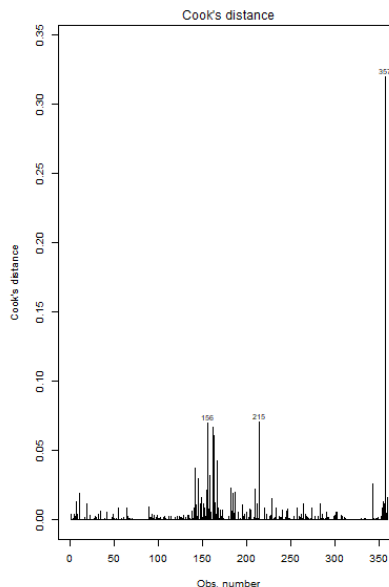
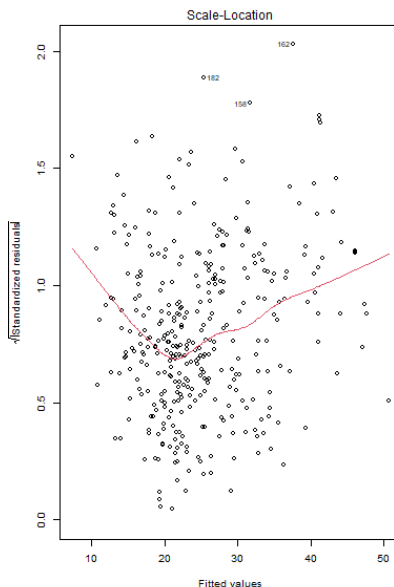
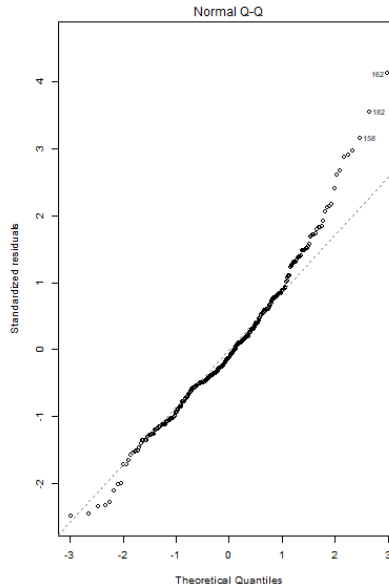
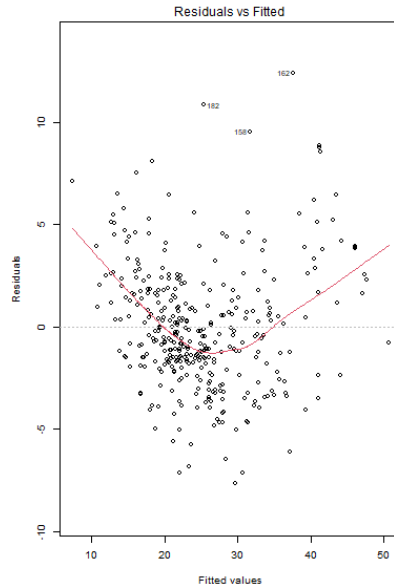
# Diagnostic plots (2/4)

1. The residual plot vs predicted values verify model linearity and homoscedasticity.

- i. Linearity – the red line should be approx. horizontal, no curves
- ii. Homoscedasticity – the variance of observations around the line  $y=0$  is constant (**constant variance**).



# Diagnostic plots (3/4)



2. Check the hypothesis of a normal distribution for residuals (**normal errors**)

i. Points should fall on a diagonal line.

3. Another check of linearity and homoscedasticity.

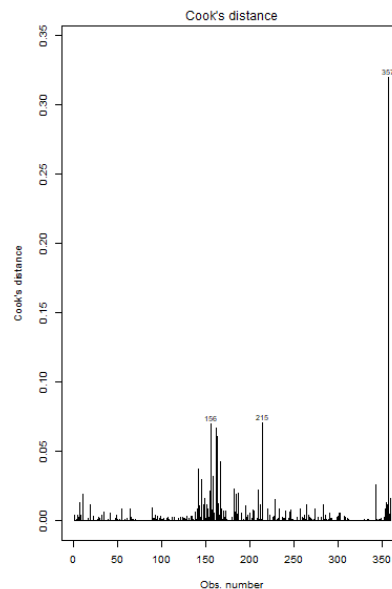
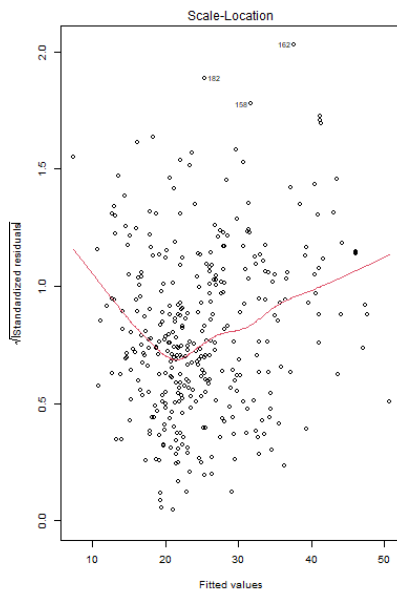
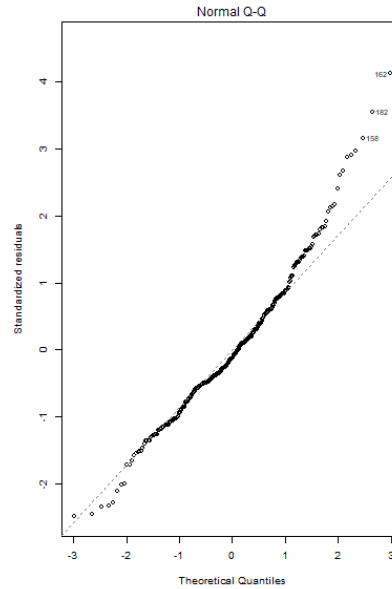
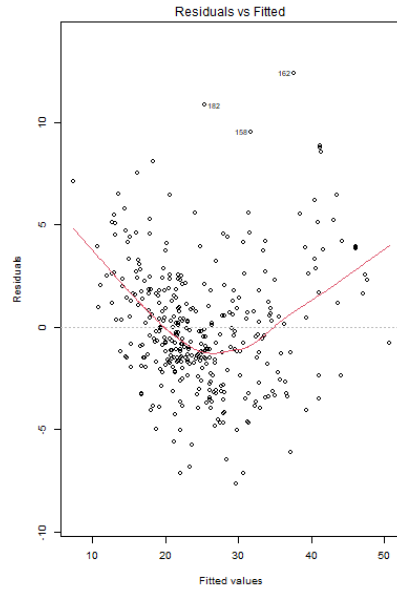
ii. Residuals are standardized.

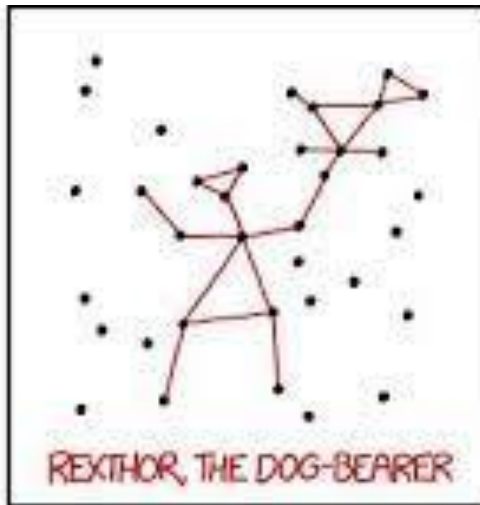
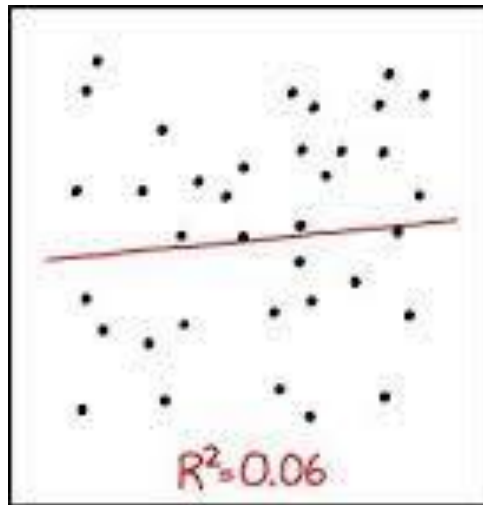


# Diagnostic plots (4/4)

4. The Cook distance is a measure of the influence of each data on the regression coefficients.

- i. It measures the amount of change in the model if the record is omitted.
- ii. Any data point for which the Cook distance is  $\geq 1$  or larger than for the other points is influential for the model.





I DON'T TRUST LINEAR REGRESSIONS WHEN IT'S HARDER  
TO GUESS THE DIRECTION OF THE CORRELATION FROM THE  
SCATTER PLOT THAN TO FIND NEW CONSTELLATIONS ON IT.

# Prediction

```
lm.pred <- predict(mlm, b_test[, -classColumn])  
  
MSE <- mean((lm.pred - b_test[, classColumn])^2)  
print(MSE)
```

```
[1] 223.2514
```

- *Mean squared error*
- $y_i$  - actual values,  $\hat{y}_i$  - predicted values
- $n$  - number of records

$$\text{MSE} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2$$

# Multiple linear regression - Python

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

from sklearn import datasets, linear_model
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
from sklearn.metrics import r2_score;

bx, by = datasets.load_boston(return_X_y=True)

bx_train = bx[:-146] #75-25% training-test
bx_test = bx[-146:]

by_train = by[:-146]
by_test = by[-146:]

mlm = linear_model.LinearRegression()

# Train model
mlm.fit(bx_train, by_train)

# Predict on test
by_pred = mlm.predict(bx_test)

# Regression coefficients and intercept
print("Coefficients: \n", mlm.coef_)
print("Intercept: ", mlm.intercept_)

# Compute MSE
print("MSE: %.2f" % mean_squared_error(by_test, by_pred))
print("R^2: %.2f" % r2_score(by_test, by_pred))
```

# Results

Coefficients:

```
[ 0.69396458  0.01706749  0.04452836  0.70469219 -5.77413001  9.1657568  
-0.04383076 -0.84488487  0.10957181 -0.01460306 -0.61494944  0.01355756  
-0.10760322]
```

Intercept: -14.3169237843145

MSE: 223.25

R^2: -2.27

- Coefficient of determination  $R^2$   $R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS}$
- $y_i$  - actual values,  $\hat{y}_i$  or  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_i)$ - predicted values,  $\bar{y}$  - mean of  $\mathbf{y}$
- $n$  - number of records
- RSS – residual sum of squares  $RSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - f(x_i))^2$
- TSS – total sum of squares  $TSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$

# Logistic regression

- $m$  training data of the type  $(X, Y)$ :
  - $X = (X^1, X^2, \dots, X^n)$  input vector
  - $Y$  – outcome
    - $Y$  **binary variable** (2 classes)
  - Generalization to multi-class  $\rightarrow$  softmax regression
- Classification problem
- Logistic regression
  - Similar form to regression
  - Different sense
  - Prediction upon a **transformation** of  $Y$

# Logistic regression

- The **logit** transformation
- $p$  – **proportion** of records with a certain characteristic
  - Ex.: proportion of patients with positive diagnosis for a disease
- $\text{logit}(Y) = \ln \left( \frac{p}{1-p} \right)$ 
  - $p$  – proportion of data of class positive
  - $1-p$  – proportion of data of the opposite class
- The logit model presumes that the new outcome is a linear combination of the predictive variables
  - $\text{logit}(Y) = \alpha = b_0 + b_1X^1 + b_2X^2 + \dots + b_nX^n$

# Logistic regression

- Once the problem is solved
  - Compute  $\alpha$  for a new example
  - $p = \frac{e^{\alpha}}{1 + e^{\alpha}}$  (the sigmoid (or logistic) function)
  - If  $p \geq 0.5$  then class = 1; else class = -1
  - $p$  – the probability to belong to class 1
  - Ex.: probability that a patient has a positive diagnosis
- Parameter estimation
  - Maximum likelihood method



# Function `glm()` in R

- `glm` - generalized linear model —non-normal errors, non-constant variance
- Set `family = binomial` such that R calls logistic regression.

```
1  library(e1071) # for classAgreement
2  library(mlbench)
3  data(PimaIndiansDiabetes)
4
5  classColumn <- 9
6
7  p_test <- tail(PimaIndiansDiabetes, n = 192)
8  p_train <- head(PimaIndiansDiabetes, n = -192)
9
10 mlr <- glm(diabetes ~ ., family = binomial, data = p_train)
11 print(summary(mlr))
```

# Results and interpretation (1/5)

```
Call:
glm(formula = diabetes ~ ., family = binomial, data = p_train)

Deviance Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-2.5324  -0.7634  -0.4235   0.7684   2.7466

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -8.0710742   0.8282673  -9.745  < 2e-16 ***
pregnant     0.1283390   0.0366446   3.502  0.000461 ***
glucose      0.0310222   0.0041332   7.506  6.11e-14 ***
pressure    -0.0113392   0.0058999  -1.922  0.054616 .
triceps     -0.0007090   0.0080533  -0.088  0.929841
insulin     -0.0009571   0.0010472  -0.914  0.360767
mass         0.0970388   0.0173135   5.605  2.09e-08 ***
pedigree     1.0074238   0.3419096   2.946  0.003214 **
age          0.0076579   0.0106750   0.717  0.473148
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

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Residual deviance: 551.42  on 567  degrees of freedom
AIC: 569.42

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5
```

- Model is:

$$\text{logit}(Y) = -8.07 + 0.12 * \text{pregnant} + 0.03 * \text{glucose} - 0.01 * \text{pressure} + 0.09 * \text{mass} + \text{pedigree} + 0.007 * \text{age}$$

# Results and interpretation (2/5)

```
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- Measure of variable importance
  - A z in absolute value  $\geq 2$  is significant at the level  $p = 0.05$ .
- The coefficient for a variable (as argument of the exponential function) gives the proportional change in the response for a one unit change in the variable value.

# Results and interpretation (3/5)

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- The fit of the model can be determined through the difference regarding the residual deviance between a model with predictors vs the null model (only with intercept).
- The chi-square test is applied, with the degrees of freedom given by the difference between those of the current model and those of a null one (i.e. number of predictive variables).

# Results and interpretation (4/5)

```
print("p-value Chi-square test")  
print(with(mlr, pchisq(null.deviance - deviance, df.null - df.residual, lower.tail = FALSE)))
```

- The obtained  $p$  confirms that the model with predictors is significantly better than a null one.

```
[1] "p-value Chi-square test"  
[1] 8.60341e-37
```

# Results and interpretation (5/5)

```
Call:
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$$AIC = 2k - 2\ln(\hat{L})$$

- AIC (Akaike information criterion) computes the fit of the model to the data:
  - $k$  – number of estimated parameters
  - $L_{\text{hat}}$  – maximum value for likelihood function
- The AIC can be compared to that of other models, the best being the one with the minimum value:
  - explaining the largest amount of variation with the fewest possible predictors

# Prediction on test data:

$p \geq 0.5$ , class = 1 (poz); else = 0 (neg)

```
16 y_prob <- predict(mlr, p_test[, -classColumn], type = "response")
17 y_pred = round(y_prob)
18
19 contab <- table(pred = y_pred, true = p_test[, classColumn])
20 acc <- classAgreement(contab)$diag
21
22 print("Accuracy")
23 print(acc)
24 print("Confusion matrix")
25 print(contab)
```

```
[1] "Accuracy"
[1] 0.7916667
[1] "Confusion matrix"
  true
pred neg pos
  0  113  31
  1   9  39
```

# Python

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn import metrics

data = pd.read_csv("diabetes.csv")

dx = data.drop("Outcome", axis = 1)
dy = data[["Outcome"]]

dx_train = dx.iloc[:-192] #75-25% training-test
dx_test = dx.iloc[-192:]

dy_train = dy[:-192]["Outcome"].values.tolist()
dy_test = dy[-192:]["Outcome"].values.tolist()

mlr = LogisticRegression(max_iter = 200) #needed more iterations
mlr.fit(dx_train, dy_train)

dy_pred = mlr.predict(dx_test)
model_score = mlr.score(dx_test, dy_test)

print("Accuracy: %.2f" % model_score)
print("Confusion matrix:")
print(metrics.confusion_matrix(dy_test, dy_pred))
```



# Results

```
Accuracy: 0.79  
Confusion matrix:  
[[112  10]  
 [ 30  40]]
```



# How to handle categorical variables in linear models?

<sup>i</sup> The Slido app must be installed on every computer you're presenting from

\*non linear relationship exists\*

Linear Regression:



# Homework



- Implement the appropriate linear model for either:
  - predicting the amount of the tip (**tip**) for a restaurant meal according to problem 7.1 Tips, pp 153 (Cook, Swayne, 2007).
  - discriminating between a rock and a classical song (**type**) according to problem 7.12 Music, pp. 171 (Cook, Swayne, 2007).
- (Optional) Choose a data set of interest and apply either a linear regression or a logistic regression model.