

# ICS 504: Machine Learning

## Lecture 2

### Supervised Learning

### Linear Regression I

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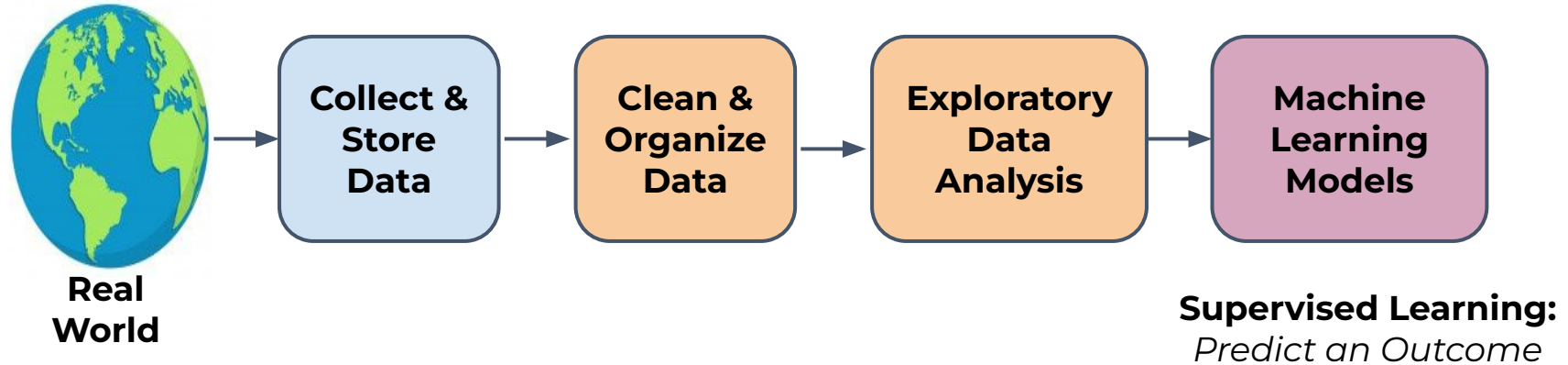
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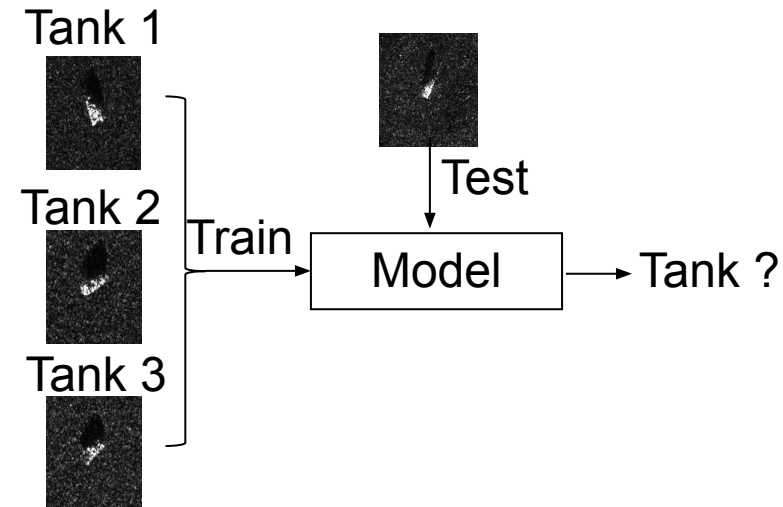
- ISLR - Introduction to Statistical Learning
  - Freely available book that gives a fantastic overview of many of the ML algorithms we discuss in the course.
  - Quick note, it's code is for R users, but the math behind algorithms is the same regardless of programming language used in development.

# Machine Learning



- **Supervised Learning**

- Requires historical labeled data:
  - Historical
- Known results and data from the past
  - Labeled
- The desired output is known
- Two main **label types**:
  - Categorical Value to Predict
    - Classification Task
  - Continuous Value to Predict
    - Regression Task



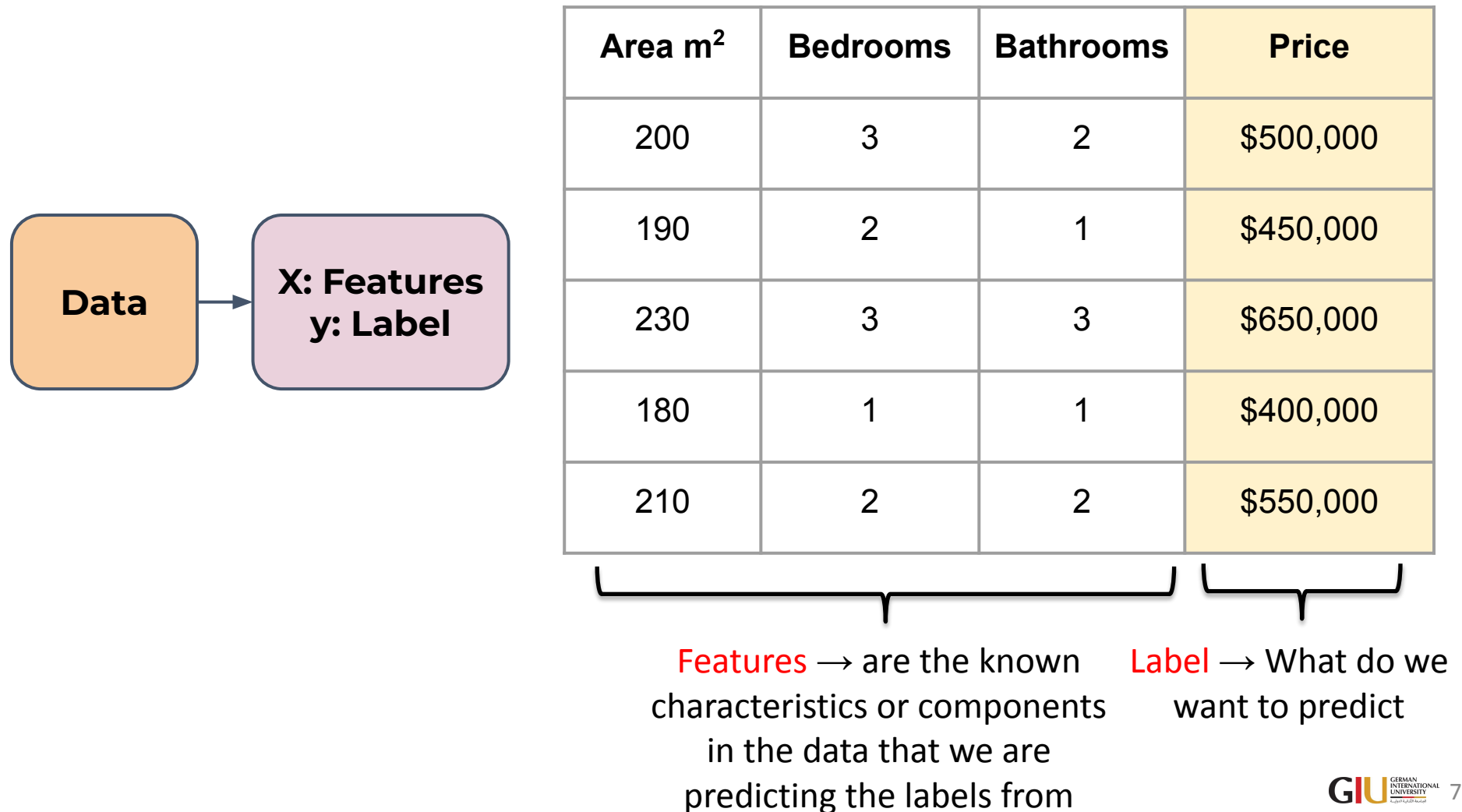
# Supervised Machine Learning Process

- Start with collecting and organizing a data set based on history: Historical labeled data on **previously** sold houses.

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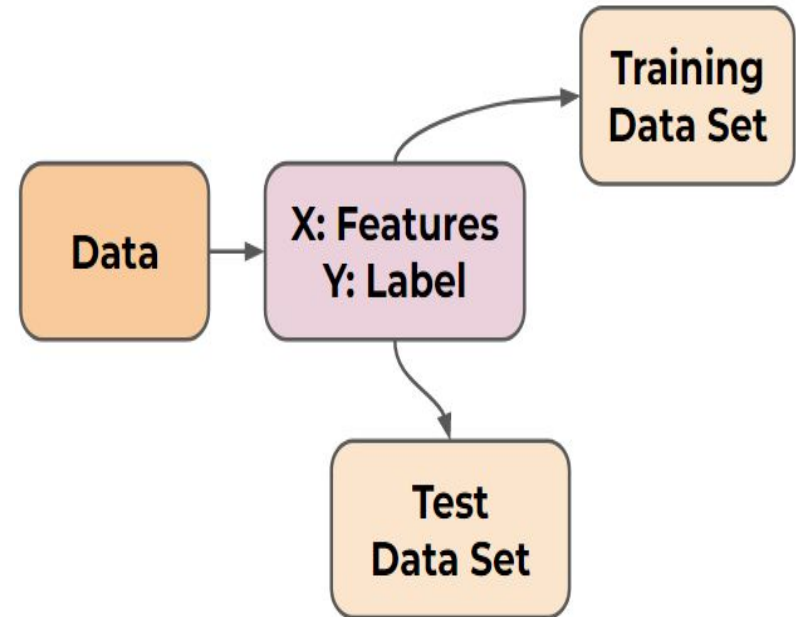
- If a new house comes on the market with a known Area, Bedrooms, and Bathrooms: *Predict what price should it sell at.*
- Data Product:
  - Input house features
  - Output predicted selling price

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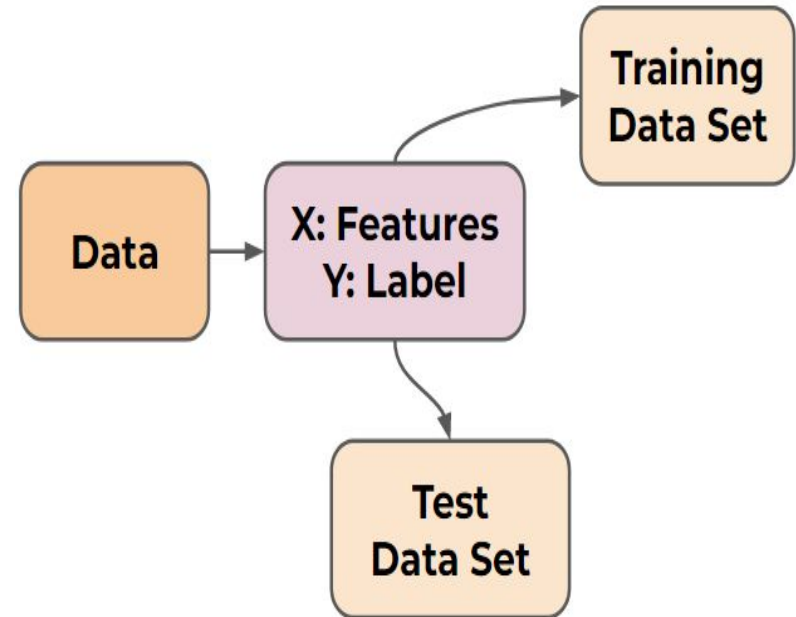
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# Supervised Machine Learning Process

- Split data into training set and test set
- Why perform this split? How to split?
- How would you judge a human real estate agent's performance?
- Ask the person to take a look at historical data...
- Then give her the features of a house and ask her to predict a selling price.

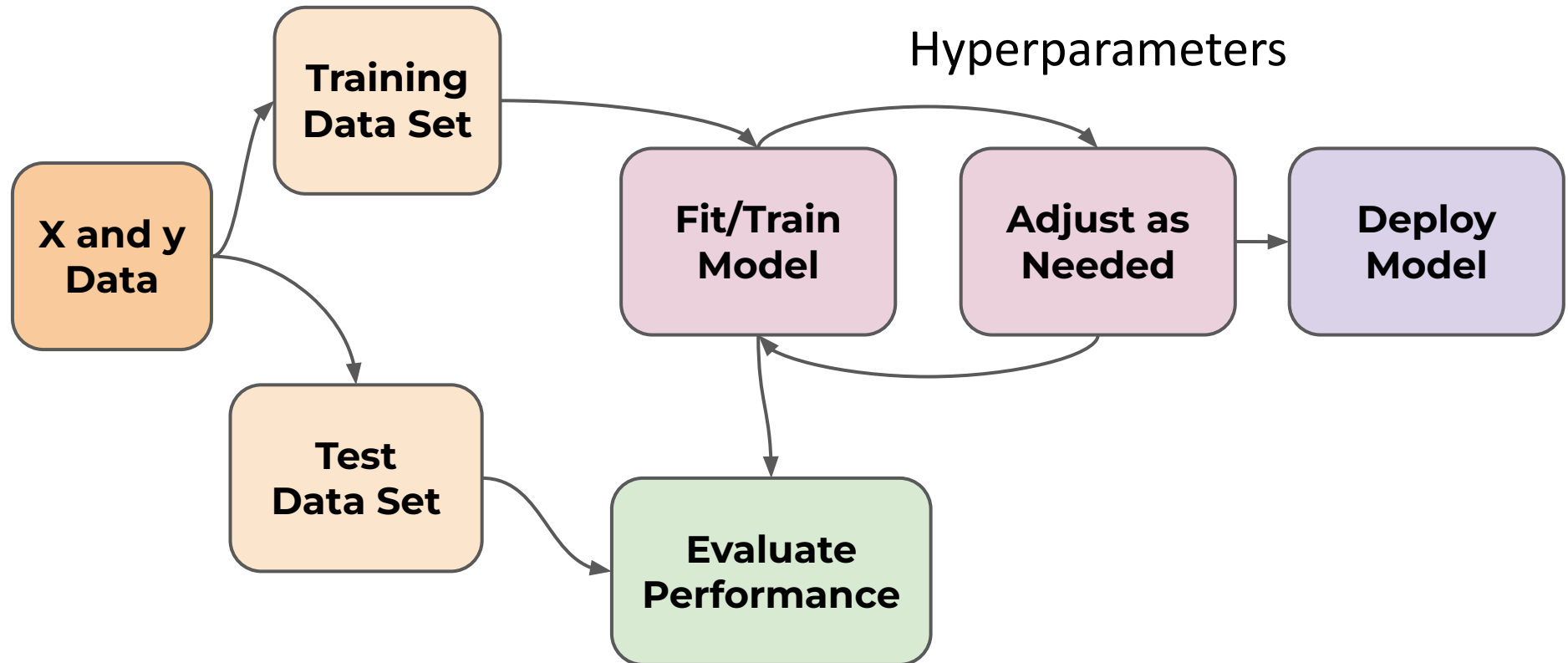


# Supervised Machine Learning Process

- Notice how we have 4 components

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# Full and Simplified Process



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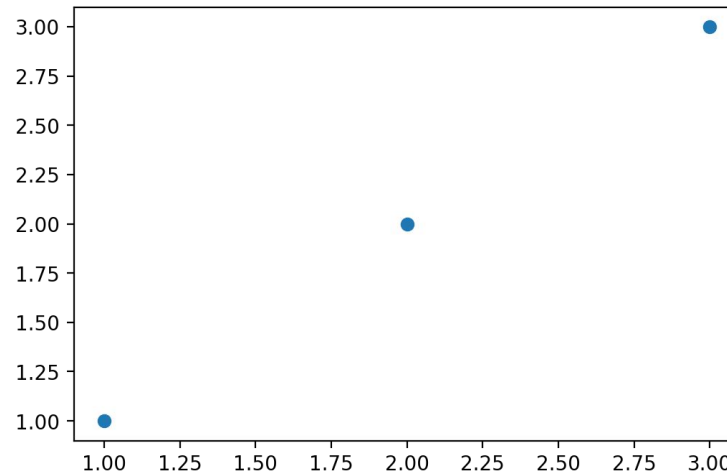
- Relevant Reading in ISLR
  - Section 3 : Linear Regression
    - 3.1 Simple Linear Regression

# Linear Regression

- The first machine learning algorithm we will explore is also one of the oldest
- **Linear Regression:** allows us to build a relationship between **multiple features** to **estimate** a **target output**.
- **Simple linear regression** is used to estimate the relationship between two **quantitative variables**. You can use simple linear regression when you want to know:
  - How **strong** the relationship is between two variables (e.g. the relationship between rainfall and soil erosion).
  - The value of the **dependent** variable at a certain value of the **independent** variable.
- This will include understanding:
  - Linear Relationships
  - Ordinary Least Squares
  - Cost Functions
  - Gradient Descent
  - Vectorization

# Linear Regression

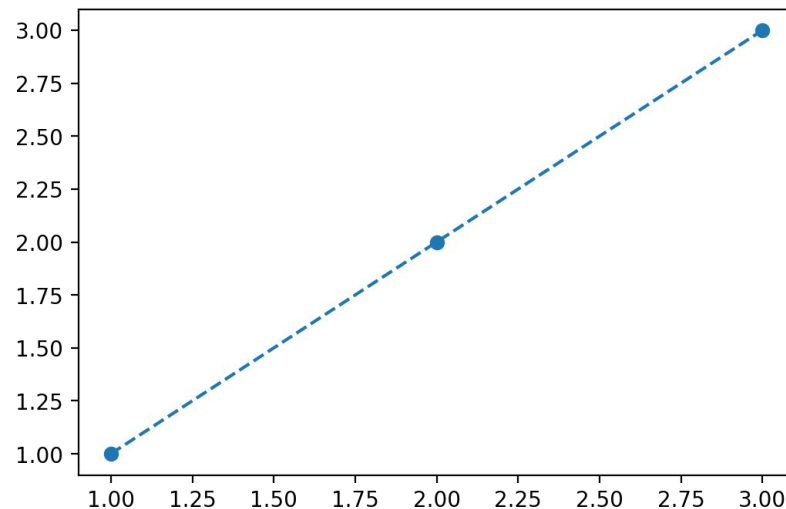
- Put simply, a linear relationship implies some constant straight line relationship.
- The simplest possible being  $y = x$ .



- Here we see  $x = [1,2,3]$  and  $y = [1,2,3]$

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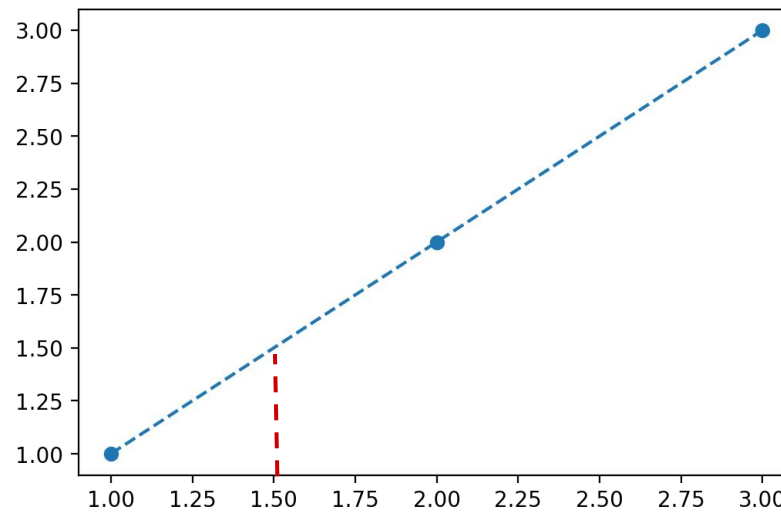
- We could then (based on the three real data points) build out the relationship  $y=x$  as our “fitted” line.





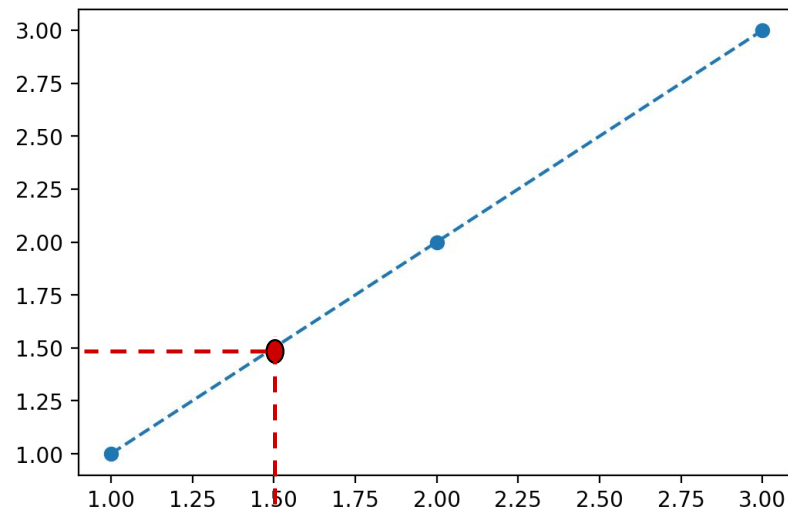
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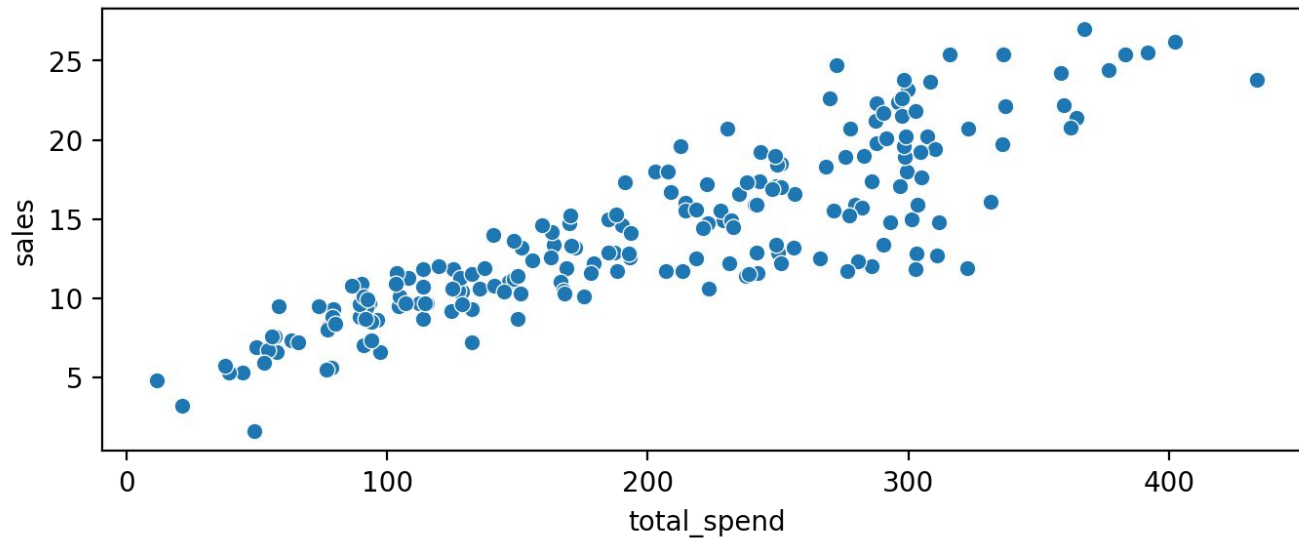
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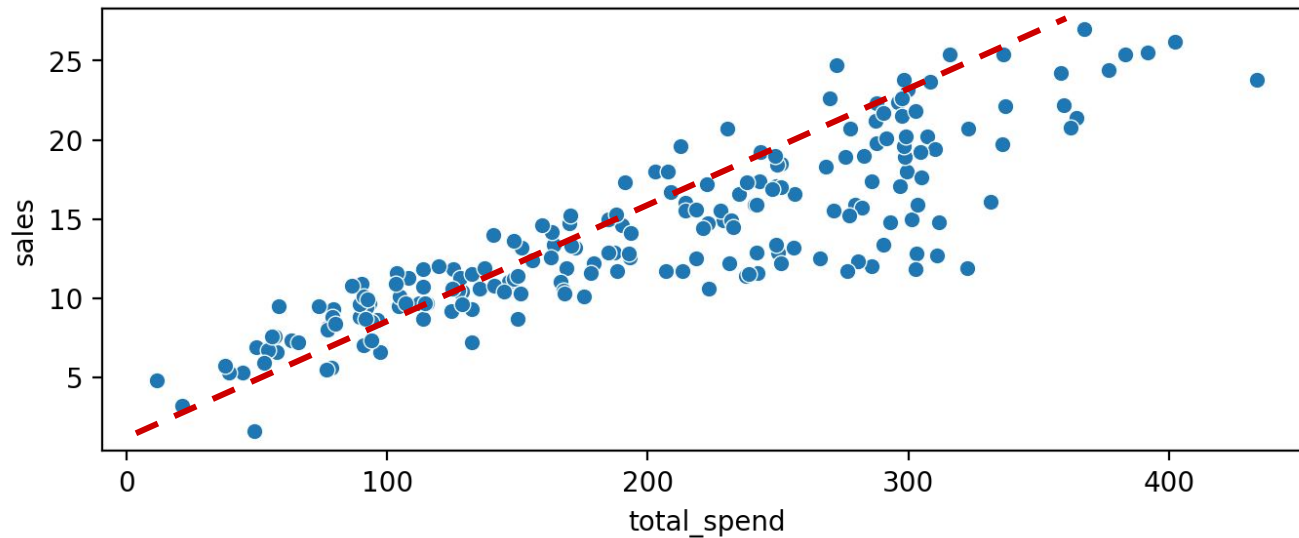
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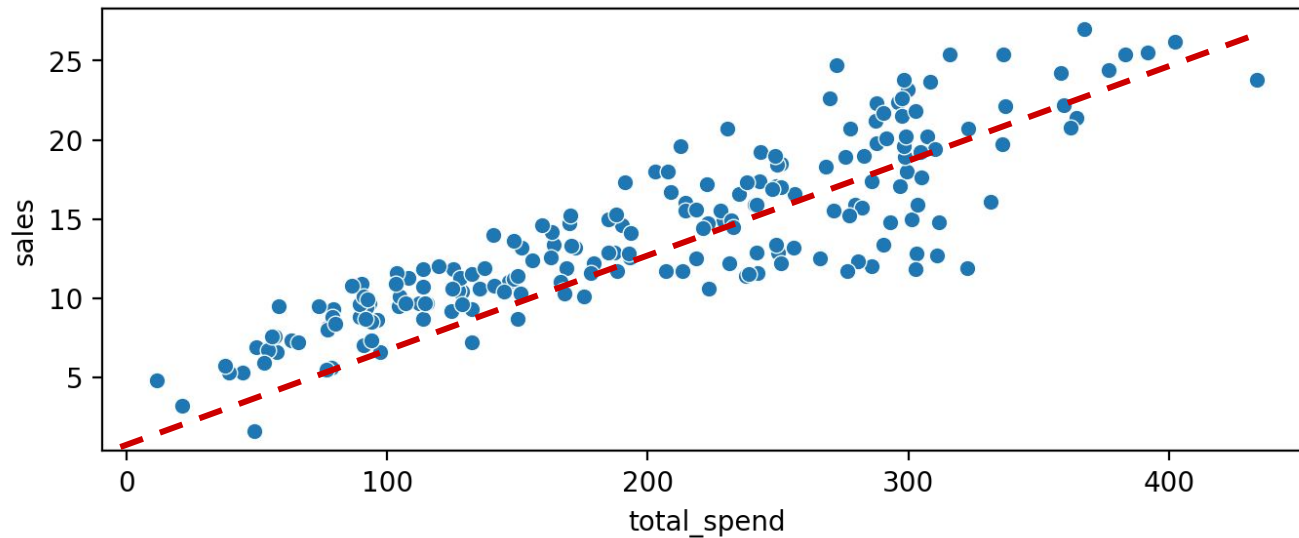
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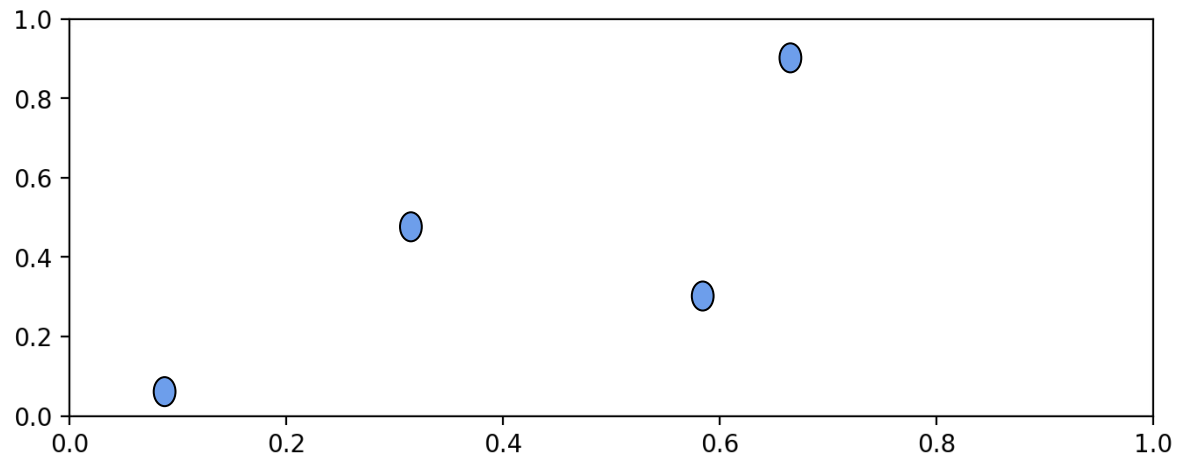
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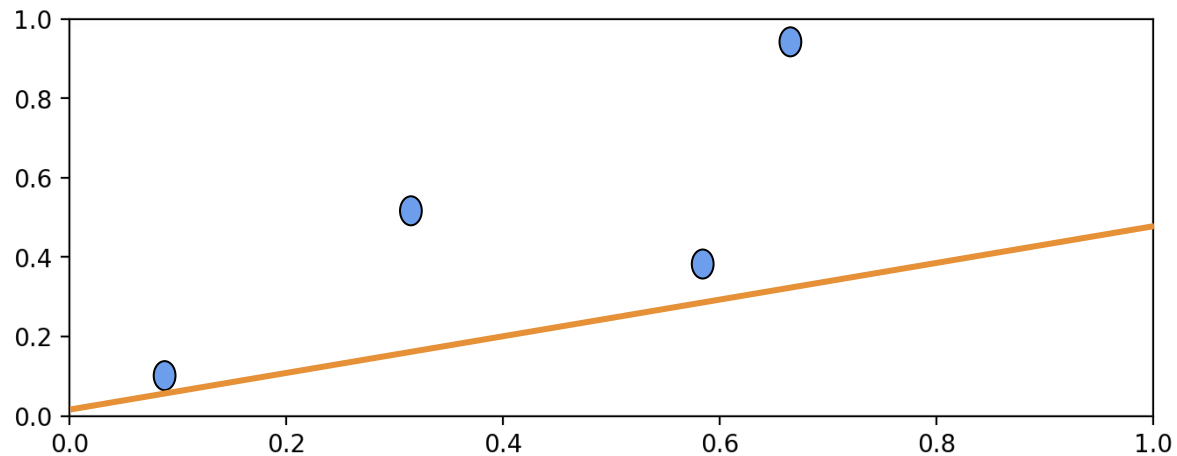
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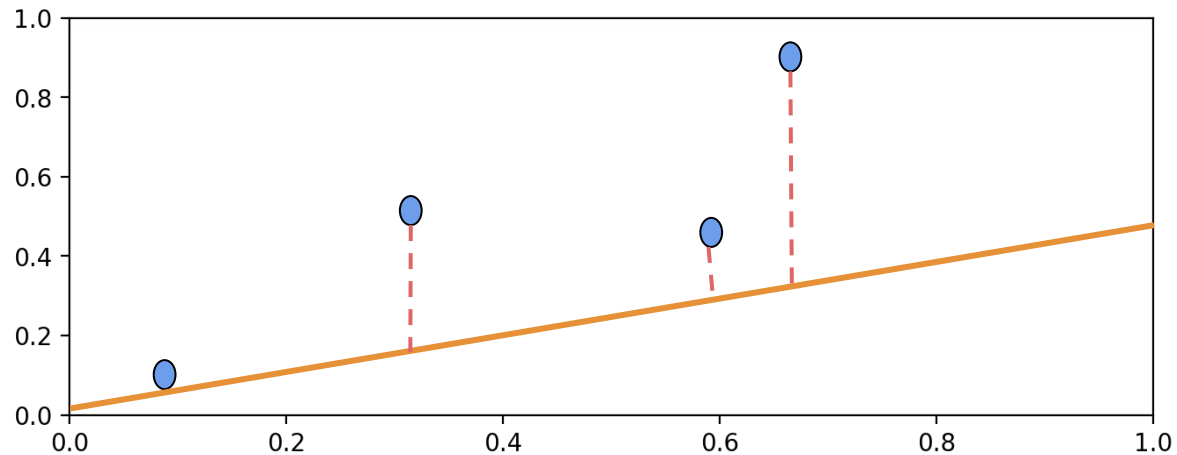
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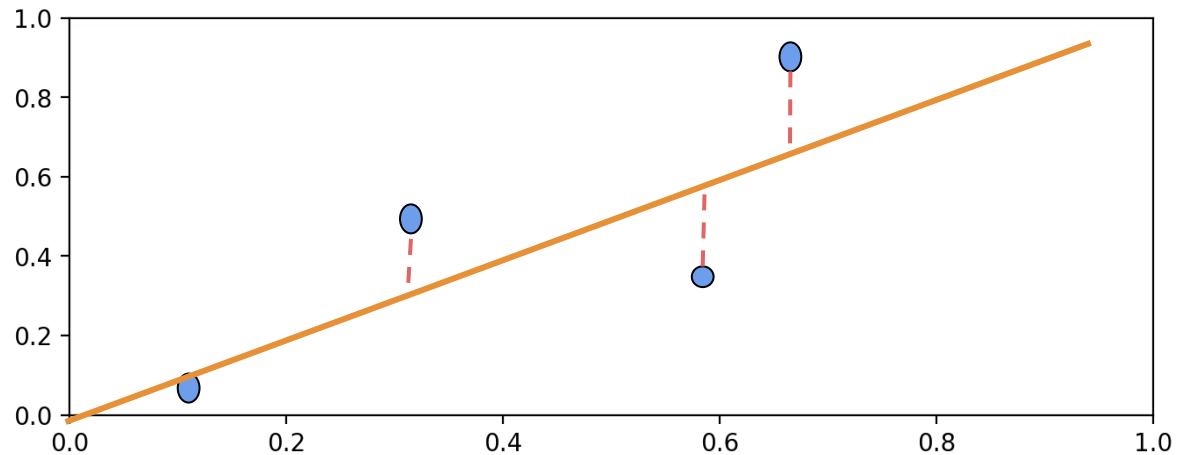
- We also know we can measure this error from the real data points to the line, known as the **residual error** → we want to minimize it





# Linear Regression

- Some lines will clearly be better fits than others.
- We can also see the residuals can be both positive and negative.

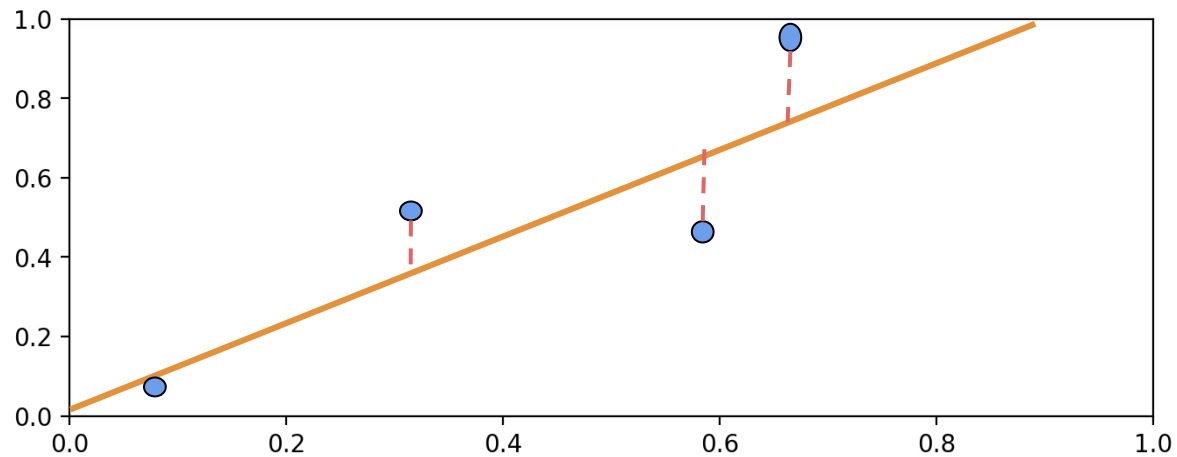


# Ordinary Least Squares

- **Ordinary Least Squares (OLS):**
  - It is a common technique for estimating coefficients of **linear regression** equations.
  - Works by **minimizing** the **sum of the squares** of the **differences between the observed dependent variable** (values of the variable being observed) in the given dataset and **those predicted by the linear function**.

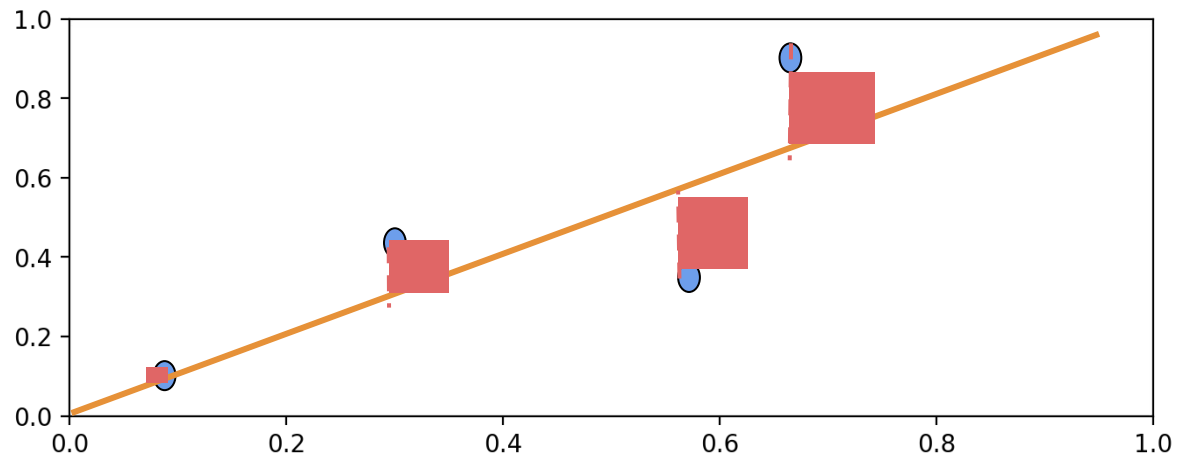
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- Having a squared error will help us simplify our calculations later on when setting up a **derivative** for the purpose of **minimization**
- Let's continue exploring OLS by converting a real data set into mathematical notation, then working to solve a linear relationship between features and a variable



# Algorithm Theory - OLS Equations



# Linear Regression OLS Theory

- We know the equation of a simple straight line:
  - $y = mx + b$ 
    - $m$  is slope
    - $b$  is intercept with  $y$ -axis (determines the distance of the line directly above or below the origin)
- We can see for  $y=mx+b$  there is only room for **one** possible feature  $x$ .
- OLS will allow us to directly solve for the slope  $m$  and intercept  $b$ .
- We will later see we'll need tools like **gradient descent** to scale this to **multiple** features.

# What's Next ?

- Let's explore how we could translate a real data set into mathematical notation for linear regression.
- Then we'll solve a simple case of one feature to explore OLS in action.
- Afterwards we'll focus on gradient descent for real world data set situations.



# Linear Regression

- Linear Regression allows us to build a **relationship** between multiple **features** to estimate a **target output**.

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- Translate the dataset into a generalized form for linear regression

# Linear Regression

- We can translate this data into generalized mathematical notation: Matrix **X** containing multiple features and vector **y** contains some labels that we try to predict

| <b>X</b>            |          |           | <b>y</b>  |
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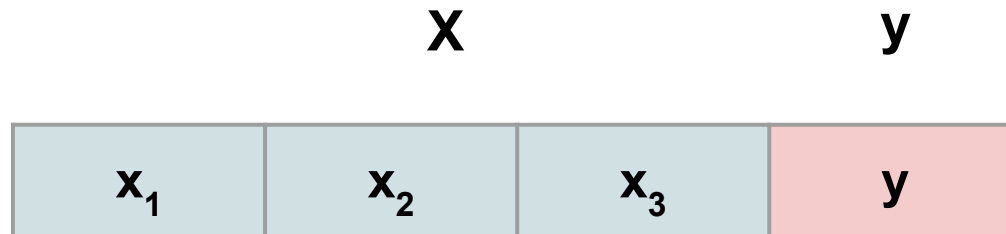
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| <b>X</b>                |                         |                         | <b>y</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| <b><math>x_1</math></b> | <b><math>x_2</math></b> | <b><math>x_3</math></b> | <b>y</b> |
| $x_1^1$                 | $x_1^1$                 | $x_1^1$                 | $y_1$    |
| $x_1^2$                 | $x_1^2$                 | $x_1^2$                 | $y_2$    |
| $x_1^3$                 | $x_1^3$                 | $x_1^3$                 | $y_3$    |
| $x_1^4$                 | $x_1^4$                 | $x_1^4$                 | $y_4$    |
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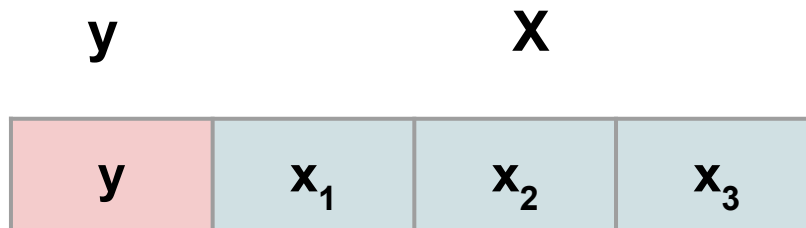
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- Reformat for  $y = x$  equation

| $y$ |       | $X$   |       |  |
|-----|-------|-------|-------|--|
| $y$ | $x_1$ | $x_2$ | $x_3$ |  |

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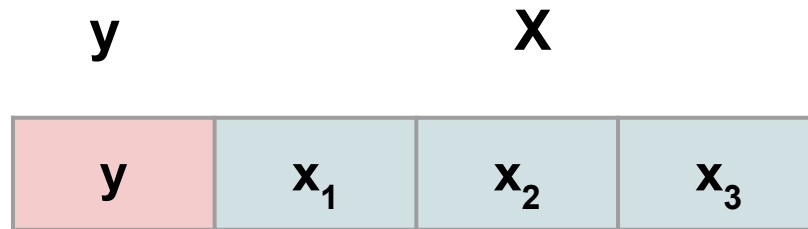
- This is the same as the common notation for a simple line:  
 **$y=mx+b$**

| <b>y</b> |                      | <b>X</b>             |                      |  |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| <b>y</b> | <b>x<sub>1</sub></b> | <b>x<sub>2</sub></b> | <b>x<sub>3</sub></b> |  |

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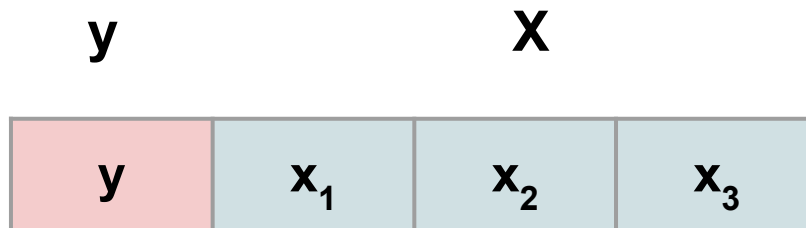
the predictions for  
the y value

linear combination of beta coefficients for n  
number of features



# Linear Regression

- This is stating there is some **Beta** coefficient for each feature to **minimize** error.



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- We can also express this equation as a sum:

| <b>y</b> |                      | <b>X</b>             |                      |  |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| <b>y</b> | <b>x<sub>1</sub></b> | <b>x<sub>2</sub></b> | <b>x<sub>3</sub></b> |  |

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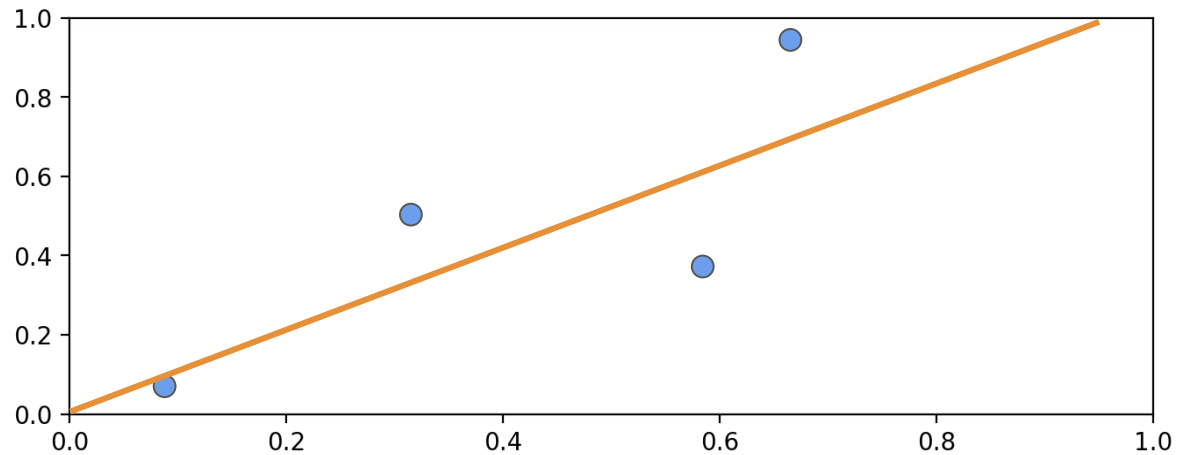
- Note the  $\hat{y}$  symbol displays a prediction. There is usually no set of Betas to create a perfect fit to  $y$ !

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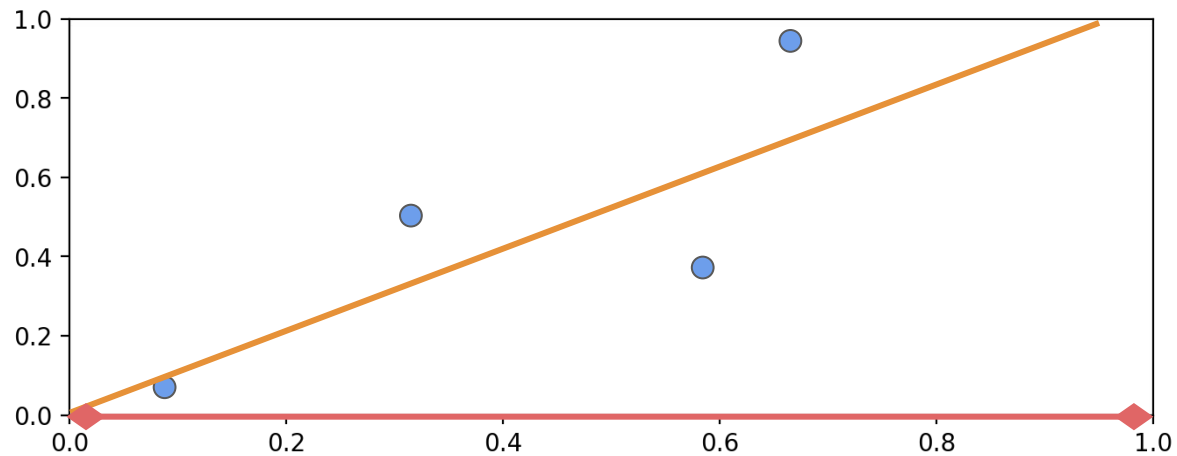
- Line equation:

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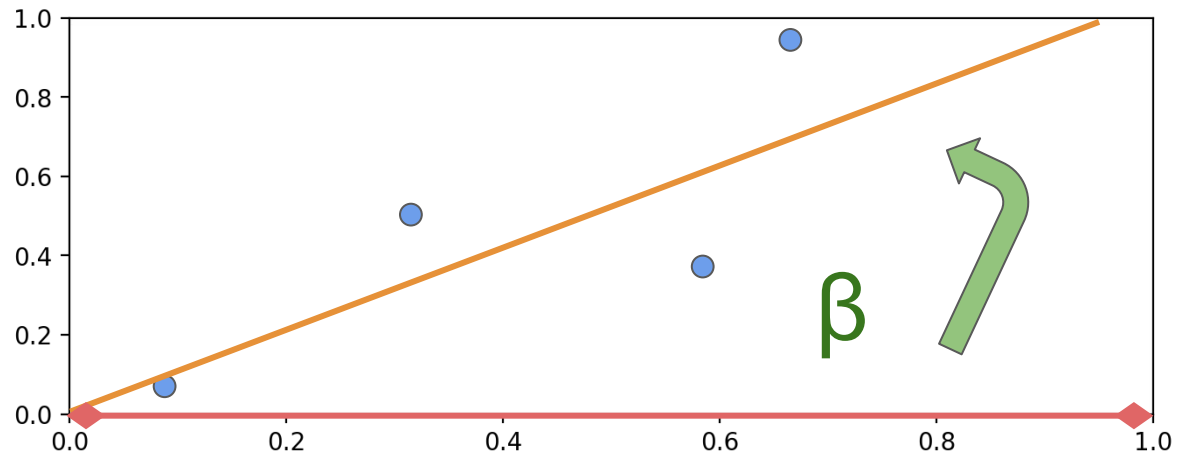
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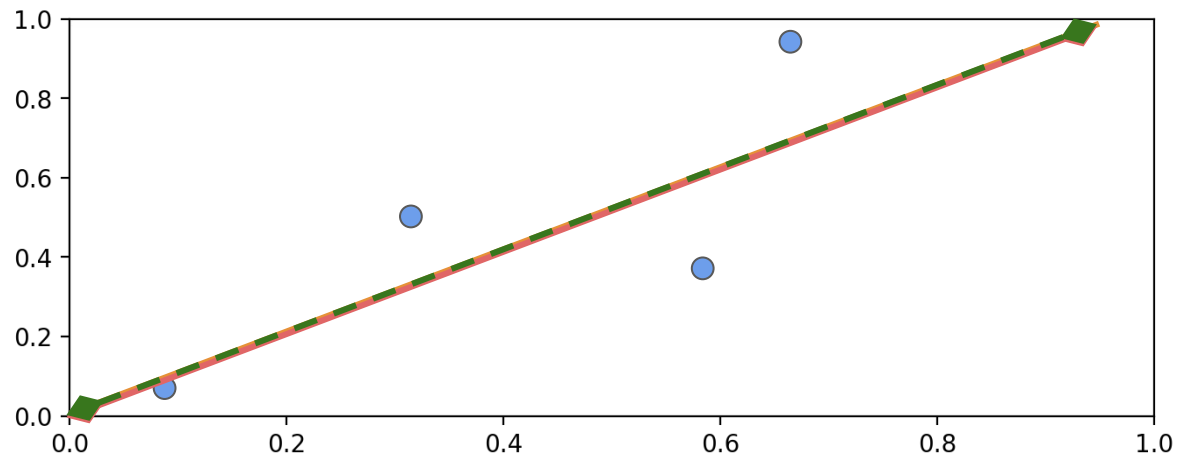
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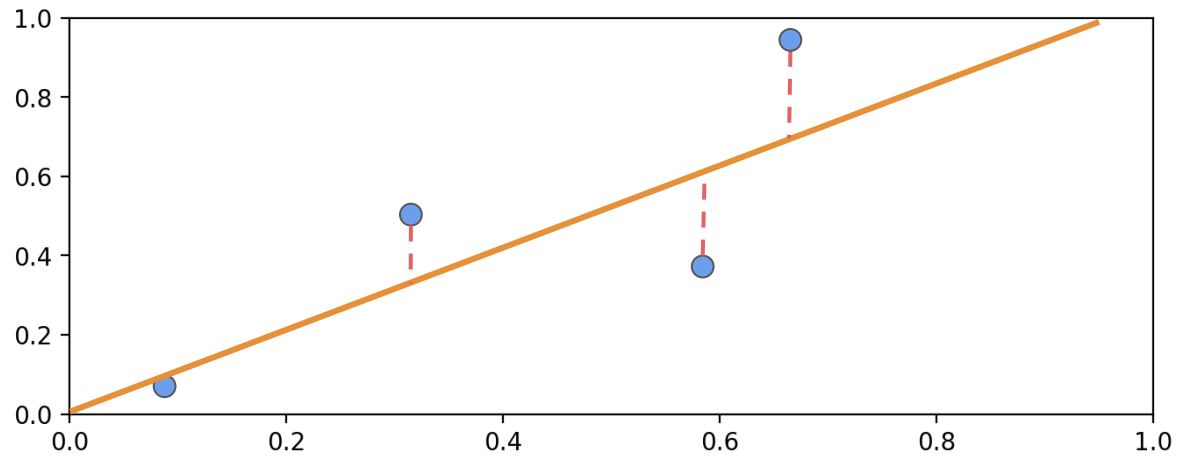
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- For simple problems with **one** X feature we can easily solve for Betas values with an analytical solution.
- Let's quickly solve a simple example problem, then later we will see that for **multiple** features we will need gradient descent.

# Linear Regression

- Recall the equation of the line follows the form  $y = mx + b$  where
  - $m$  is the **slope** of the line
  - $b$  is where the line crosses the y-axis when  $x=0$  ( $b$  is **y-intercept**)



$$m > 0$$



$$m < 0$$



$$m = 0$$

# Linear Regression

- In a linear regression, where we try to formulate the relationship between variables,  $y=mx + b$  becomes

$$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x$$

- Our goal is to predict a value of the **dependent variable** (y) based on the value of an **independent variable** (x)

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- How do we derive  $b_1$  and  $b_0$

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$$= \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\sum (y - \bar{y})^2}{n}}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n}}} = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})(y - \bar{y})}{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}$$

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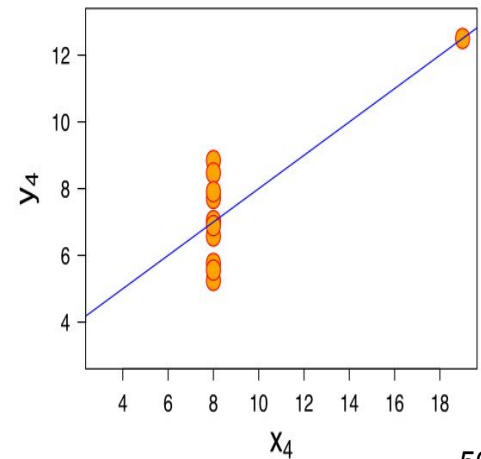
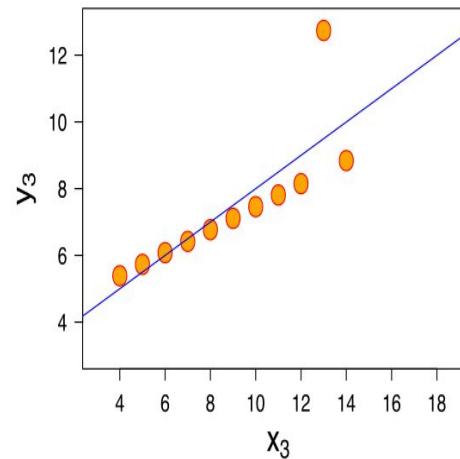
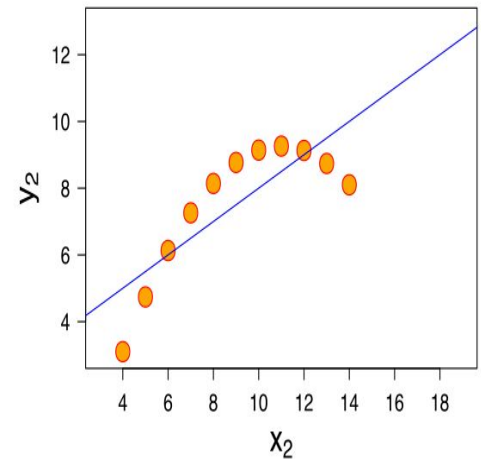
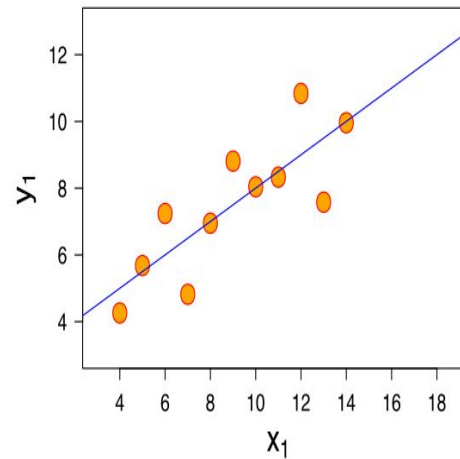
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# Limitations of Linear Regression

- Anscombe's Quartet shows the pitfalls of relying on pure calculations
- Each graph results in the **same** calculated regression line





# Linear Regression Example

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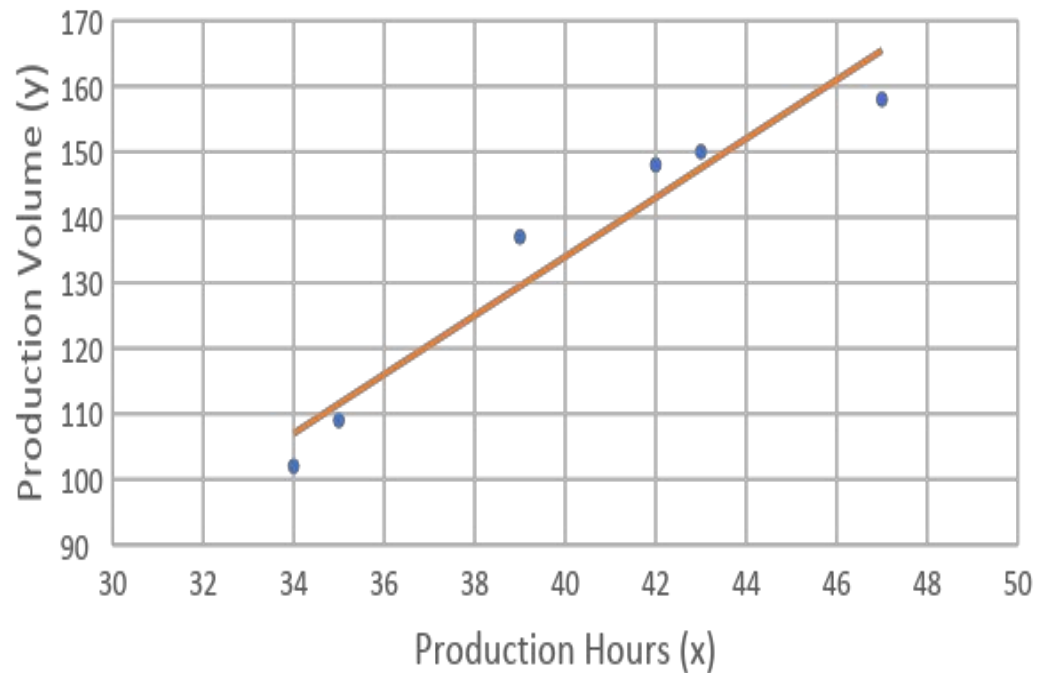
- The manager develops the following table

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Is there a linear pattern? Can we plot a best fit line

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$$b_1 = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})(y - \bar{y})}{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$b_0 = \bar{y} - b_1 \bar{x}$$

$$b_1 = \frac{558}{124} = 4.5$$

$$b_0 = 134 - (4.5 \times 40) = -46$$

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# Linear Regression Example

- Based on this formula, if the manager wants to produce 125 units per week, the plant should run for

| Production Hours(x) | Production Volume(y) |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| 34                  | 102                  |
| 35                  | 109                  |
| 39                  | 137                  |
| 42                  | 148                  |
| 43                  | 150                  |
| 47                  | 158                  |

$$125 = -46 + 4.5x$$

*x = 38 hours per week*



- As we expand to more than a single feature however, an analytical solution quickly becomes **unscalable**.
- Instead of OLS we shift focus on **minimizing** a **cost** function with **gradient descent**.

- We can use **gradient descent** to solve a **cost function** to calculate Beta values!
- We'll work on developing a cost function to minimize

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# Algorithm Theory - Cost Function



# What we know so far

- Linear Relationships
  - **$y = mx + b$**
- OLS
  - Solve simple linear regression ( $b_0$  and  $b_1$ )
- **Not scalable** for multiple features
- Translating real data to Matrix Notation
- Generalized formula for Beta coefficients

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- Recall we are **searching for Beta values** for a best-fit line.
- The equation below simply defines our line, but **how to choose beta coefficients?**

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- We've decided to define a “best-fit” as **minimizing the squared error** → let's define our cost/loss function or actual error we want to minimize and how can we relate it back to the beta coefficients

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- Exactly what we need for a **cost function**!

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \left( y^j - \hat{y}^j \right)^2$$

- Begin by defining a cost function  $J$ .

$$J(\beta)$$

- A cost function is defined by some measure of error.
- This means we wish to minimize the cost function → choose the values of beta that will minimize the error

- Our cost function can be defined by the squared error:

$$J(\beta) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^m \left( y^j - \hat{y}^j \right)^2$$

- Note lowercase  $j$  is the specific data row.

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- Additional  $\frac{1}{2}$  is for convenience for derivative.
- Recall: when we want to minimize we take the derivative and set it equal to 0

$$J(\beta) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^m (y^j - \hat{y}^j)^2$$

- What is  $\hat{y}$  ?

$$J(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^m \left( y^j - \boxed{\hat{y}}^j \right)^2$$

- It will be a function of Betas and Features!

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- Unfortunately, it is not scalable to try to get an analytical solution to minimize this cost function.
- In the **next lecture** we will learn to use **gradient descent** to minimize this **cost function**.