

# Task 24 by Jawad Ahmed

## Mean Absolute Error (MAE):

- **Description:** Measures the average magnitude of errors between predicted and actual values.
- **Formula:**  $MAE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|$
- **Use:** Provides a straightforward measure of prediction accuracy.

## □ Mean Squared Error (MSE):

- **Description:** Computes the average of the squares of errors, giving more weight to larger errors.
- **Formula:**  $MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$
- **Use:** Useful for highlighting significant errors, but can be sensitive to outliers.

## □ Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE):

- **Description:** The square root of MSE, providing error estimates in the same unit as the target variable.
- **Formula:**  $RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}$
- **Use:** Helps in interpreting the magnitude of errors in the context of the data's units.

## □ R-squared ( $R^2$ ):

- **Description:** Indicates the proportion of the variance in the dependent variable explained by the model.
- **Formula:**  $R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$
- **Use:** Provides a measure of goodness-of-fit, but can be misleading with overfitting.

## □ Adjusted R-squared:

- **Description:** Adjusts the  $R^2$  value for the number of predictors in the model.
- **Formula:**  $Adjusted\ R^2 = 1 - \frac{(1 - R^2)(n - 1)}{n - p - 1}$
- **Use:** More accurate for comparing models with different numbers of predictors.

## □ Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE):

- **Description:** Measures the accuracy as a percentage by comparing the absolute errors to actual values.
- **Formula:**  $MAPE = \frac{100\%}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \frac{y_i - \hat{y}_i}{y_i} \right|$
- **Use:** Useful for understanding model accuracy in relative terms, but can be problematic with zero values in actual data.

