

## Week 1 Lecture 2

# Review of linear algebra & Introduction to optimization

GEOL 4397: Data analytics and machine learning for geoscientists

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Week	Date	Topics	Comments
1	01/15 Tues	Overview of syllabus	
	01/17 Thur	Lecture: Introduction to Machine learning: applications	
		Lecture: Review of linear algebra	
2	01/22 Tues	Lab: Linear algebra in Python	Not graded
	01/24 Thur	Lecture: Introduction to optimization	
3	01/29 Tues	Lab: Gradient descent + Linear regression	Report due on 02/05 at 5:30 pm
	01/31 Thur	Lecture: Introduction to machine learning: concepts	
4	02/05 Tues	Lecture: Logistic regression	
	02/07 Thur	Lab: Logistic regression	Report due on 02/14 at 5:30 pm
5	02/12 Tues	Lecture: Support vector machine	
	02/14 Thur	Lab: Support vector machine	Report due on 02/21 at 5:30 pm
6	02/19 Tues	Lecture: Decision trees	
	02/21 Thur	Lab: Decision trees	Report due on 02/28 at 5:30 pm
7	02/26 Tues	Lecture: Random Forest	
	02/28 Thur	Lab: Random forest	Report due on 03/07 at 5:30 pm
8	03/05 Tues	Lecture: Ensemble learning	
	03/07 Thur	Lab: Ensemble learning	Reprot due on 03/19 at 5:30 pm
9	03/12 Tues	No class due to spring break	
	03/14 Thur	No class due to spring break	
10	03/19 Tues	Review & Recap	
	03/21 Thur	Exam	
11	03/26 Tues	Lecture: Clustering	
	03/28 Thur	Lab: Clustering	Report due on 04/04 at 5:30 pm
12	04/02 Tues	Lecture: Introduction to TensorFlow	
	04/04 Thur	Lab: TensorFlow	Not graded
13	04/09 Tues	Lecture: Introduction to neural networks 1	
	04/11 Thur	Lecture: Introduction to neural networks 2	
14	04/16 Tues	Lab: Deep learning	Report due on 04/23 at 5:30pm
	04/18 Thur	Lecture: Convolutional neural networks 1	
15	04/23 Tues	Guest lecture: Convolutional neural networks 2	
	04/25 Thur	Lab: CNN (optional)	Report due on 05/02 at 5:30 pm
16	04/30 Tues	final presentation??	
	05/02 Thur	final presentation??	
Note	28 class meetings		04/29 last day of class

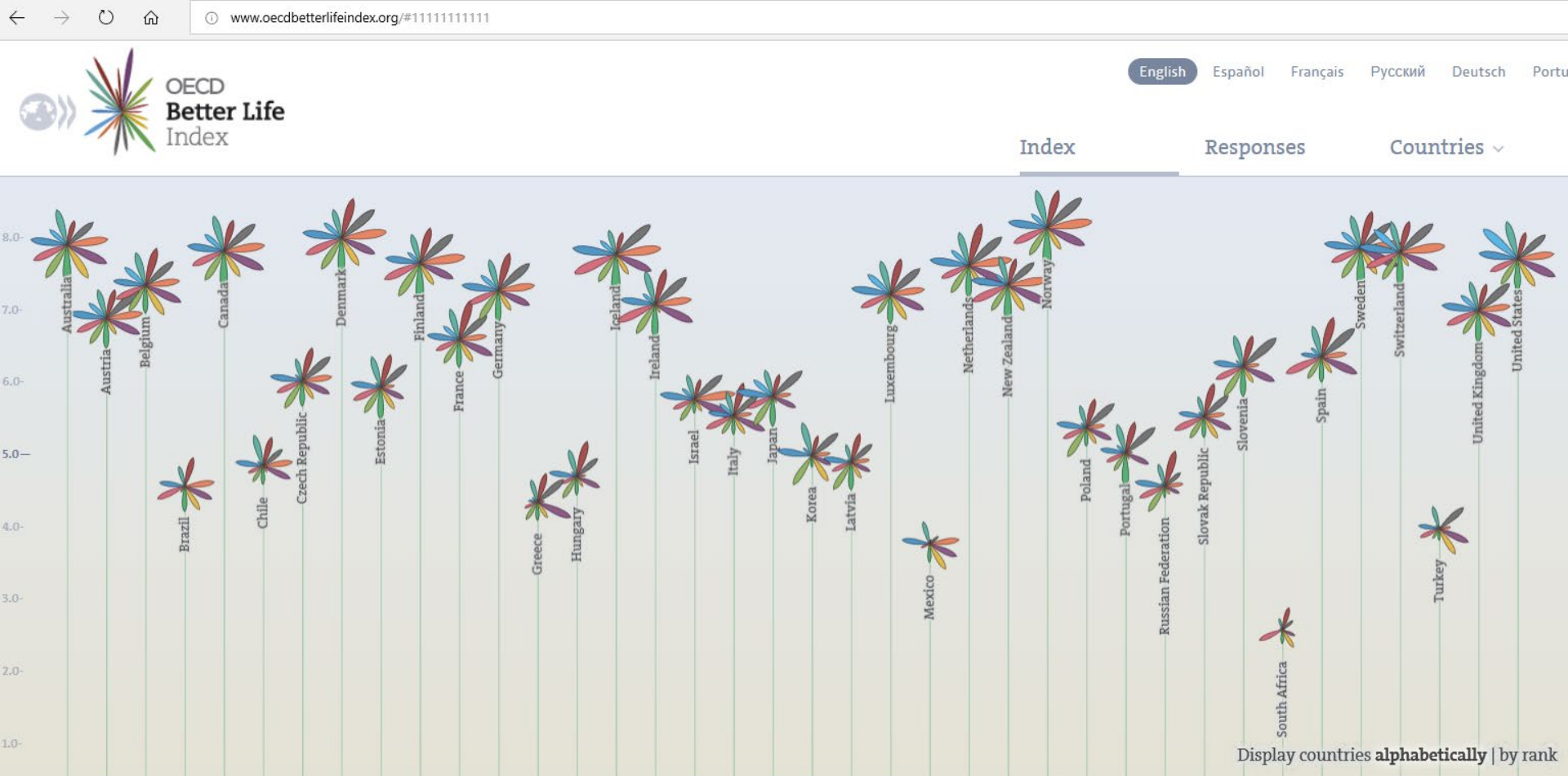
# Today's agenda

- Linear regression model
- Review of linear algebra

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[World Economic Outlook Database, April 2016](#)

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## 5. Report for Selected Countries and Subjects

You will find [notes](#) on the data and options to [download](#) the table below your results.

						Shaded cells indicate IMF staff estimates
Country	Subject Descriptor	Units	Scale	Country/Series-specific Notes	2015	
Afghanistan	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	599.994	
Albania	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	3,995.383	
Algeria	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	4,318.135	
Angola	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	4,100.315	
Antigua and Barbuda	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	14,414.302	
Argentina	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	13,588.846	
Armenia	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	3,534.860	
Australia	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	50,961.865	
Austria	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	43,724.031	
Azerbaijan	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	5,739.433	
The Bahamas	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	23,902.805	
Bahrain	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	23,509.981	
Bangladesh	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	1,286.868	
Barbados	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	15,773.555	
Belarus	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	5,749.119	
Belgium	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	40,106.632	
Belize	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	4,841.735	
Benin	Gross domestic product per capita, current prices	U.S. dollars	Units	<a href="#">f</a>	780.063	

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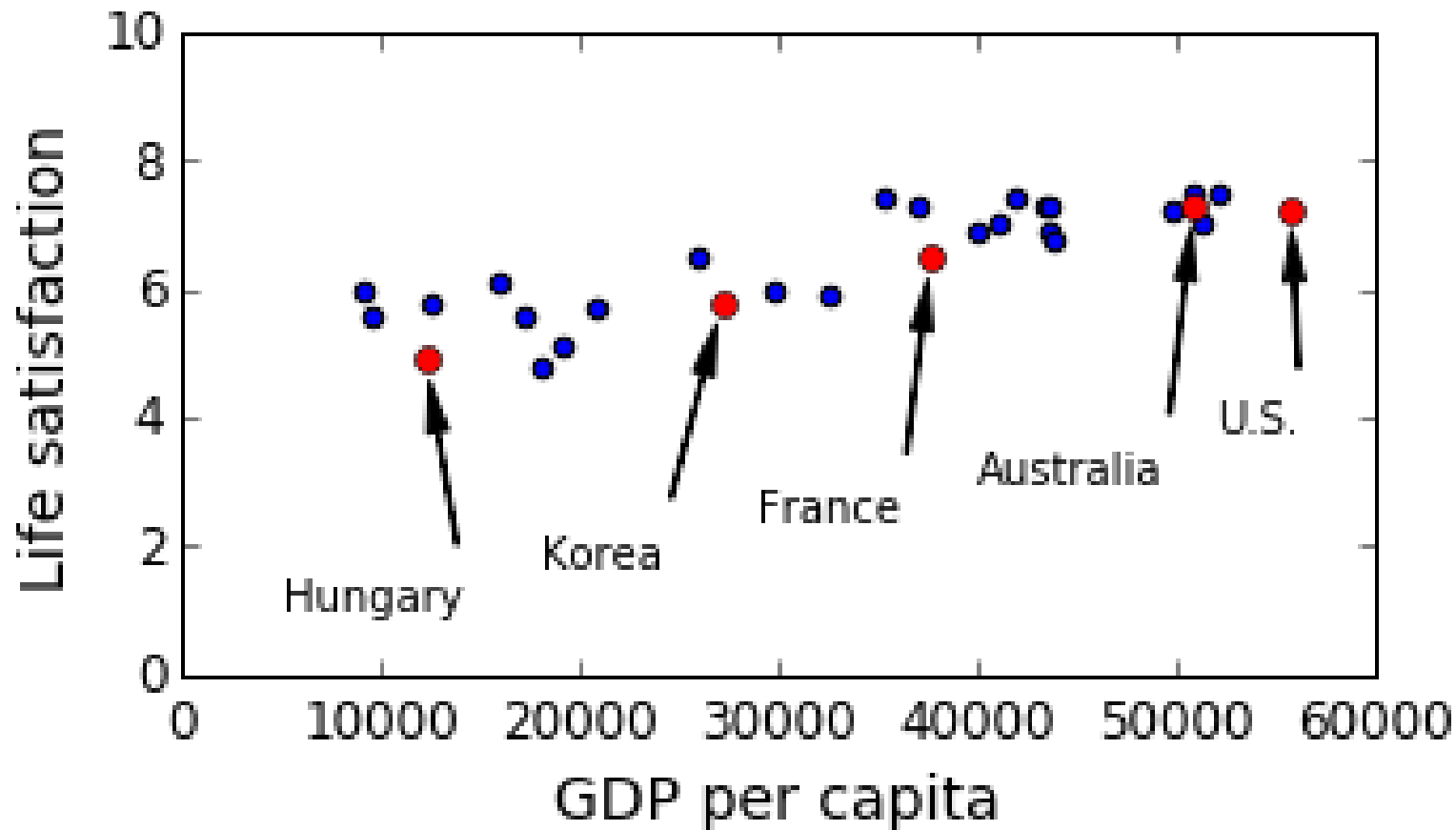


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## What is machine learning?

- My definition: the field of study that gives computers the ability to **learn from data** (e.g., discovering patterns and relations among input data), and **make predictions**.

# Training data

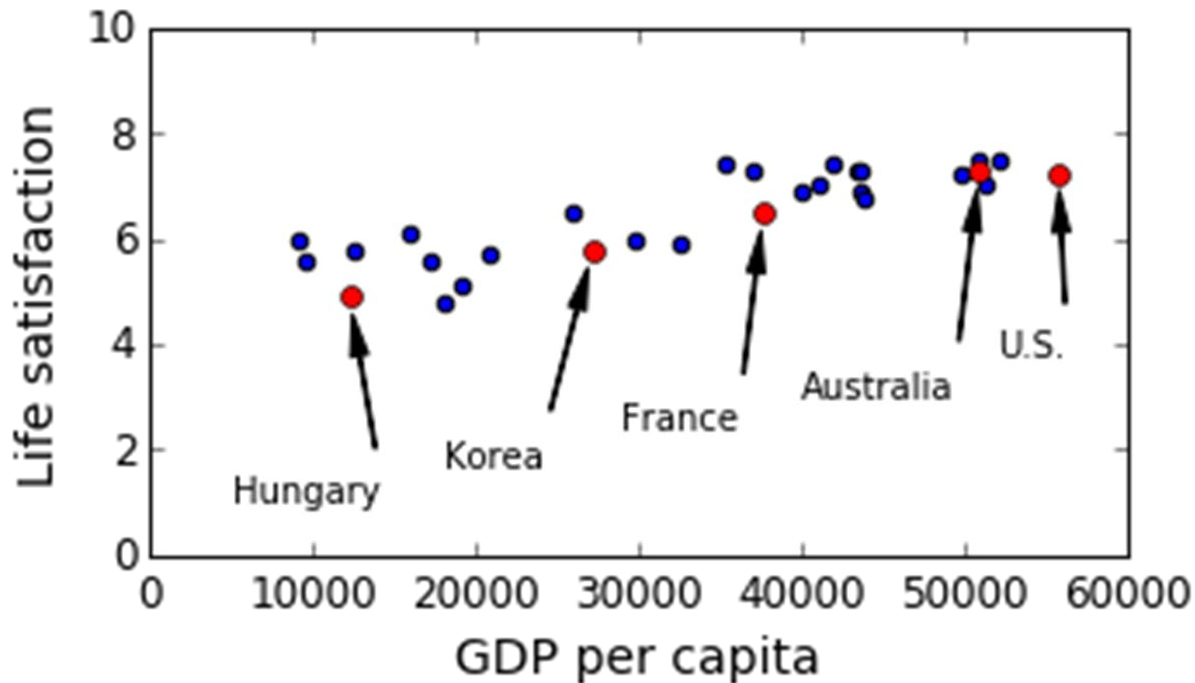


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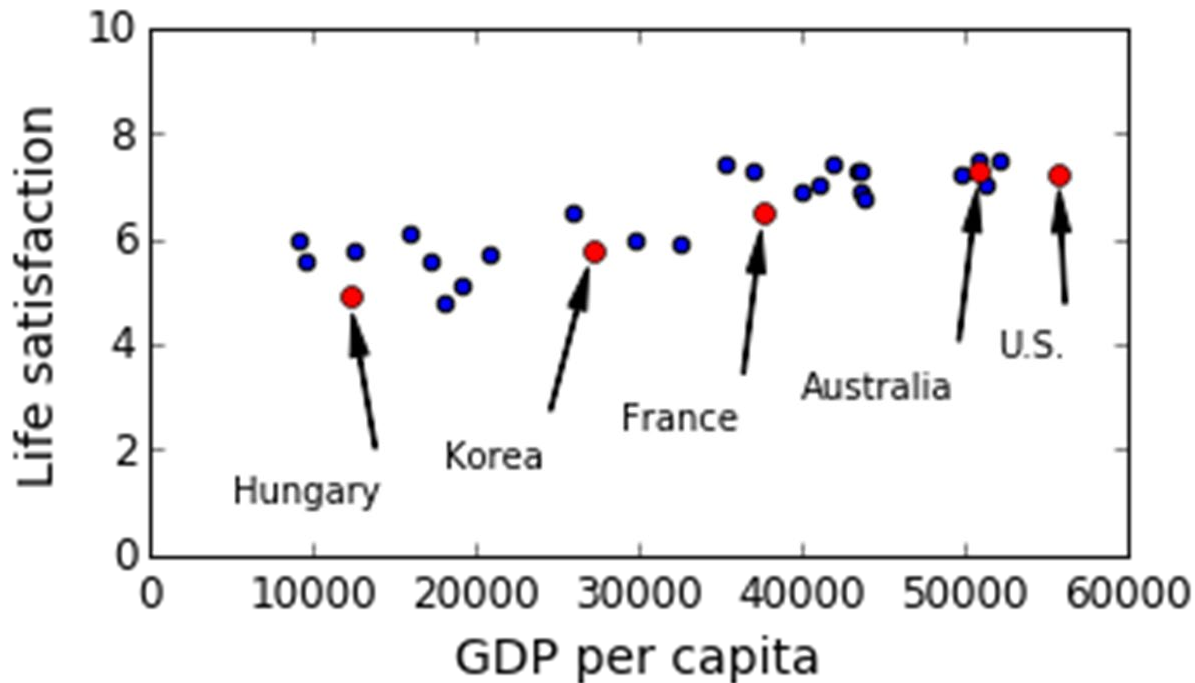


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- There does seem to be a trend!
- Looks like life satisfaction goes up more or less **linearly** with the country's GDP per capita.

# Hypothesis

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

- $h_{\theta}(x)$ : life satisfaction
- $x$ : GDP per capita
- $\theta_0, \theta_1$ : model parameters (to be learned from training data)

# Linear relationship

- By tweaking the model parameters, we can use the linear regression model to represent any linear function.

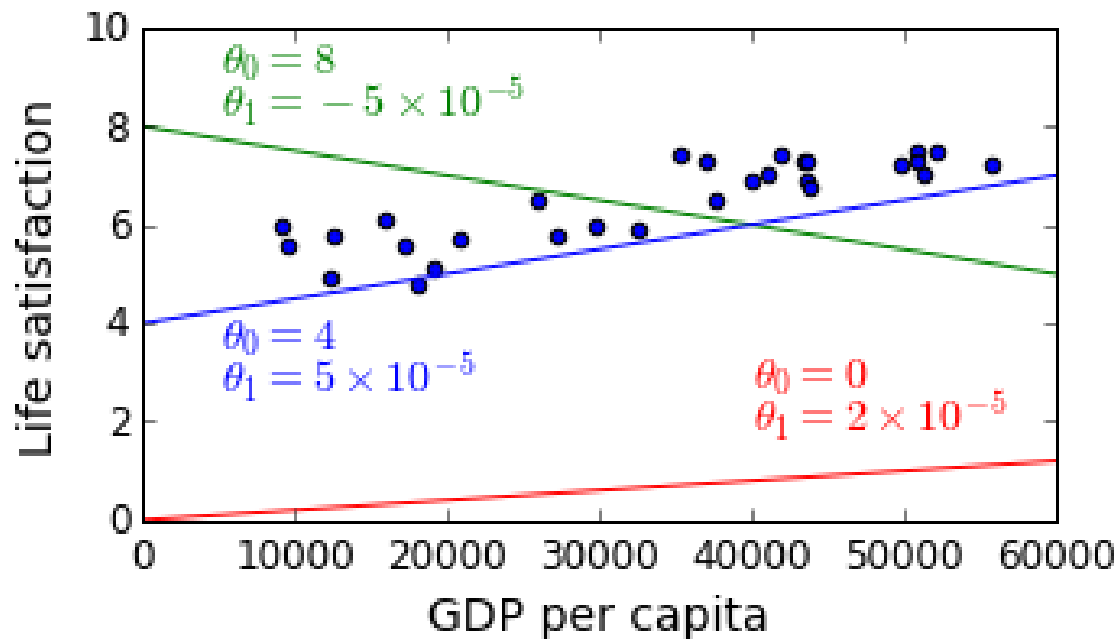


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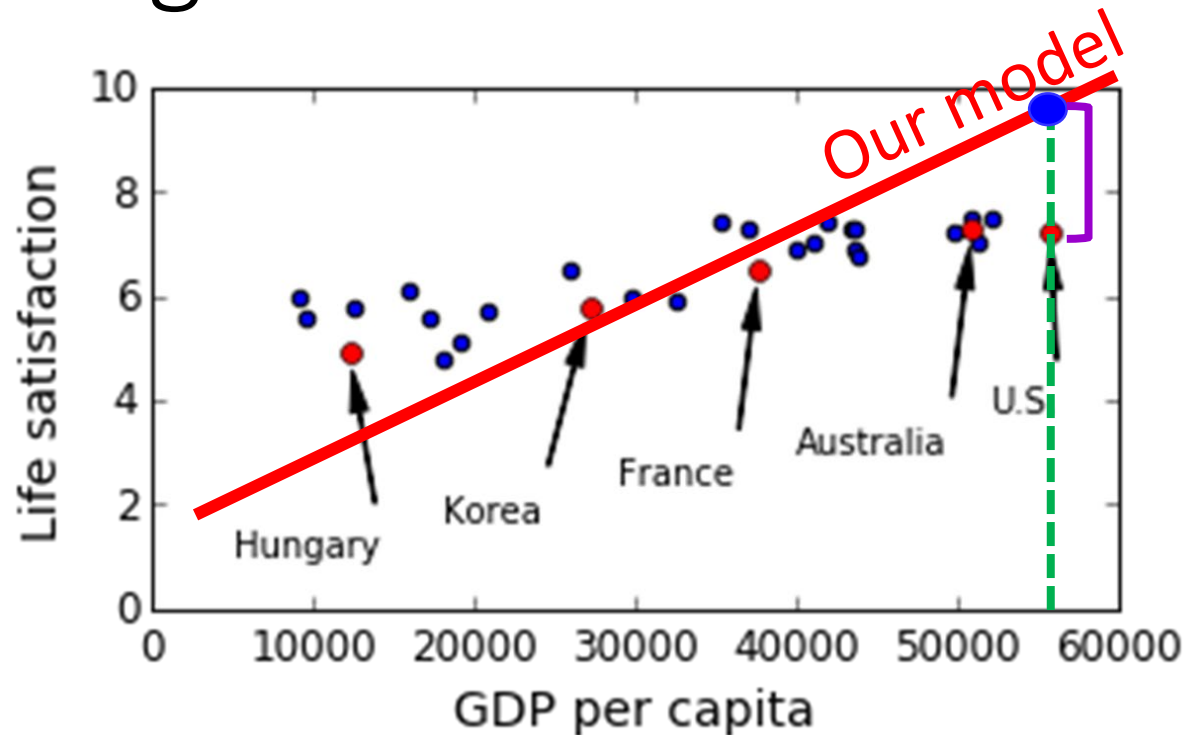
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- The objective is **to minimize the cost function** so as to **minimize the difference** between **predictions** and **observations**



# Building a cost function



For simplicity, let us focus on one country, say, U.S.

- What is the **predicted value** for life satisfaction?
- What is **the value from training data**?

# Difference between predicted and true values

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# Best fit model

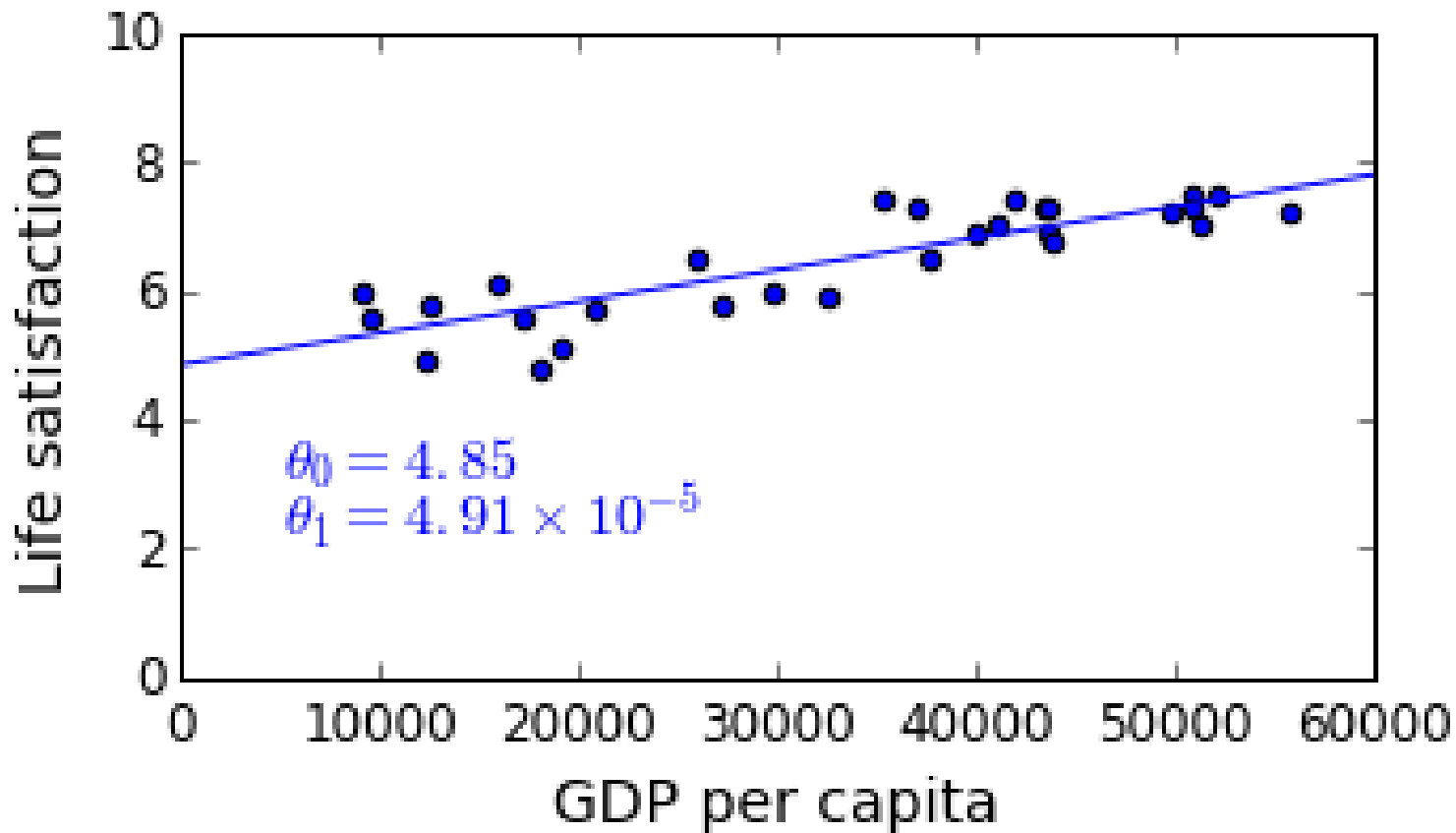


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- How does linear algebra come into play?

# Hypothesis: linear regression model

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- $h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$ : output variable/target variable for  $i^{th}$  country
- $x^{(i)}$ : input variable/feature for  $i^{th}$  country
- $\theta_0, \theta_1$ : model parameters (to be learned from training data)



# Features

- In previous example, we only have one feature, i.e., GDP per capita, (to predict life satisfaction)
- There are many other relevant features!
  - [Employment rate](#)
  - [Education](#)
  - [Medical care](#)
  - [Air quality](#)
  - [Crime](#)
  - ...

# Hypothesis: multiple input variables

$$h_{\theta} \left( x_1^{(i)}, x_2^{(i)}, \dots, x_N^{(i)} \right) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1^{(i)} + \theta_2 x_2^{(i)} + \dots + \theta_N x_N^{(i)}$$

- $h_{\theta}(x_1^{(i)}, x_2^{(i)}, \dots, x_N^{(i)})$ : output variable/target variable
- $x_j^{(i)}$ :  $j^{th}$  input variable/features for  $i^{th}$  country
- $\theta_0, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_N$ : model parameters (to be learned from training data)
- A straightforward generalization to multiple input variables

# Cost function

- Cost function for one input variable

$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \sum_{i=1}^M (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^2$$

- Cost function for multiple input variables

$$J(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^M (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1^{(i)} + \theta_2 x_2^{(i)} + \cdots + \theta_N x_N^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^2$$

Let us use linear algebra to simplify  
the cost function!

# Matrix

- Rectangular array of numbers

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1402 & 25 \\ 1650 & 46 \\ 2058 & 57 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$

Dimension of a matrix: # of rows X # of columns

# Matrix elements

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$A_{ij}$ : the element/entry at the  $i^{th}$  row and  $j^{th}$  column

# Vector: An $N \times 1$ matrix

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 604 \\ 731 \\ 172 \\ 495 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $N = 4$ , therefore,  $\mathbf{y}$  is a 4-dimensional vector
- $y_i$ :  $i^{th}$  element

# Norm

- Measures the length of a vector

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

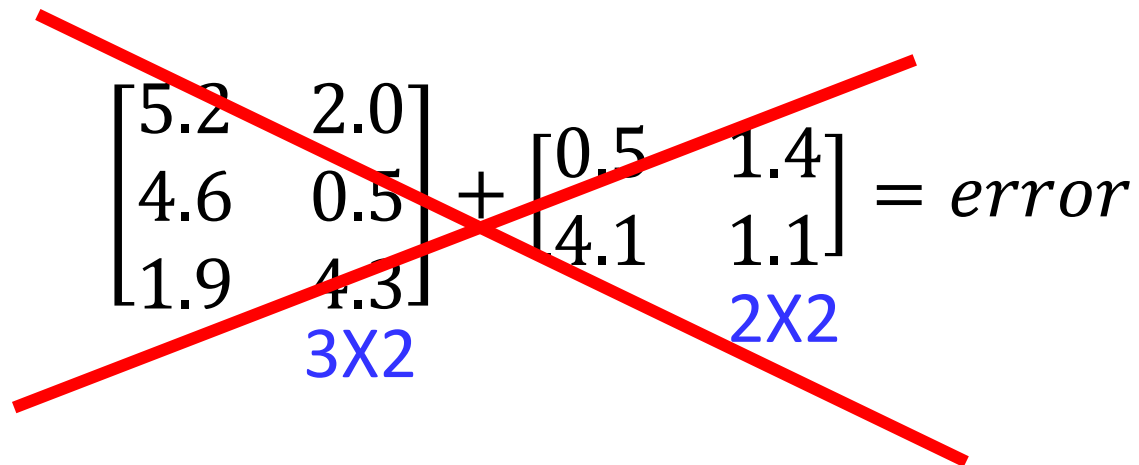
$$\|a\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{30}$$

$$\|a\|^2 = 1^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 2^2 = 30$$



# Matrix addition

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5.2 & 2.0 \\ 4.6 & 0.5 \\ 1.9 & 4.3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 1.4 \\ 4.1 & 1.1 \\ 5.8 & 3.7 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 5.7 & 3.4 \\ 8.7 & 1.6 \\ 7.7 & 8.0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$


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# Scalar multiplication

$$3 \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 6 & 18 \\ 21 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12 & 16 \\ 8 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \div 4 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# In-class quiz

$$3 \times \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \div 3$$

Remember: division and multiplication take precedence over addition and subtraction

# Matrix-vector multiplication

$$A \times x = y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \times \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} ax + by + cz \\ dx + ey + fz \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 1}$$

- The number of columns of matrix  $A$  must be equal to the number of elements in vector  $x$

# Matrix-vector multiplication

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$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \cdots & A_{1n} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \cdots & A_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \ddots & \cdots \\ A_{m1} & A_{m2} & \cdots & A_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}x_1 + A_{12}x_2 + \cdots + A_{1n}x_n \\ A_{21}x_1 + A_{22}x_2 + \cdots + A_{2n}x_n \\ \cdots \\ A_{m1}x_1 + A_{m2}x_2 + \cdots + A_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$m \times n \quad n \times 1 \quad m \times 1$

- To get  $y_i$ , multiple the  $i^{th}$  row of matrix  $A$  with the elements of vector  $x$ , and add them up

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrix-matrix multiplication

$$A_{\text{mxn}} \times B_{\text{nxp}} = C_{\text{mxp}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{bmatrix}_{\text{mxn}} \times \begin{bmatrix} \phantom{0} & \phantom{0} & \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} & \phantom{0} & \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} & \phantom{0} & \phantom{0} \end{bmatrix}_{\text{nxp}} = \begin{bmatrix} \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \\ \phantom{0} \end{bmatrix}_{\text{mxp}}$$

- The  $i$ th column of matrix  $C$  is obtained by multiplying  $A$  with the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $B$  (for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ )
- Matrix-matrix multiplication is just a sequence of matrix-vector multiplications

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Identity matrix

$$I_{3 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I_{4 \times 4} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrix inverse

- Suppose  $A$  is a  $m \times m$  matrix, and suppose it has an inverse, then
- We can write the inverse as  $A^{-1}$

$$AA^{-1} = I$$

$$A^{-1}A = I$$

# Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{7} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & \frac{5}{3} \\ 1 & -\frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrix transpose

- $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

- $B = A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$

- $B_{ij} = A_{ji}$

- If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then  $A^T$  is an  $n \times m$  matrix

# Back to our cost function

$$J(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^M (\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1^{(i)} + \theta_2 x_2^{(i)} + \cdots + \theta_N x_N^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^2$$

# Notation

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_0 \\ \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \dots \\ \theta_N \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_1^{(i)} \\ x_2^{(i)} \\ \dots \\ x_N^{(i)} \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Matrix-vector form

$$J(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^M (\theta^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} - y^{(i)})^2$$



$$J(\theta) = \|\mathbf{X}\theta - \mathbf{y}\|^2$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{x}^{(1)})^T \\ \vdots \\ (\mathbf{x}^{(M)})^T \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ y^{(M)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$M \times (N+1)$                        $M \times 1$