

Training Day-8 Report:

Polynomial Regression:-

- Polynomial Regression is a regression algorithm that models the relationship between a dependent(y) and independent variable(x) as nth degree polynomial. The Polynomial Regression equation is given below:

$$y = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_1^2 + b_3x_1^3 + \dots + b_n x_1^n$$

- It is also called the special case of Multiple Linear Regression in ML. Because we add some polynomial terms to the Multiple Linear regression equation to convert it into Polynomial Regression.
- It is a linear model with some modification in order to increase the accuracy.
- The dataset used in Polynomial regression for training is of non-linear nature.
- It makes use of a linear regression model to fit the complicated and non-linear functions and datasets.
- Hence, *"In Polynomial regression, the original features are converted into Polynomial features of required degree (2,3,...,n) and then modeled using a linear model."*

Need for Polynomial Regression:

The need of Polynomial Regression in ML can be understood in the below points:

- If we apply a linear model on a **linear dataset**, then it provides us a good result as we have seen in Simple Linear Regression, but if we apply the same model without any modification on a **non-linear dataset**, then it will produce a drastic output. Due to which loss function will increase, the error rate will be high, and accuracy will be decreased.
- So for such cases, **where data points are arranged in a non-linear fashion, we need the Polynomial Regression model**. We can understand it in a better way using the below comparison diagram of the linear dataset and non-linear dataset.

- In the above image, we have taken a dataset which is arranged non-linearly. So if we try to cover it with a linear model, then we can clearly see that it hardly covers any data point. On the other hand, a curve is suitable to cover most of the data points, which is of the Polynomial model.
- Hence, *if the datasets are arranged in a non-linear fashion, then we should use the Polynomial Regression model instead of Simple Linear Regression.*