Implementing Regression and Classification Using Neural Networks in scikit-learn



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Overview

Regression models using neural networks in scikit-learn

Mean square error (MSE) loss function

Using the MLPRegressor estimator to build regression models

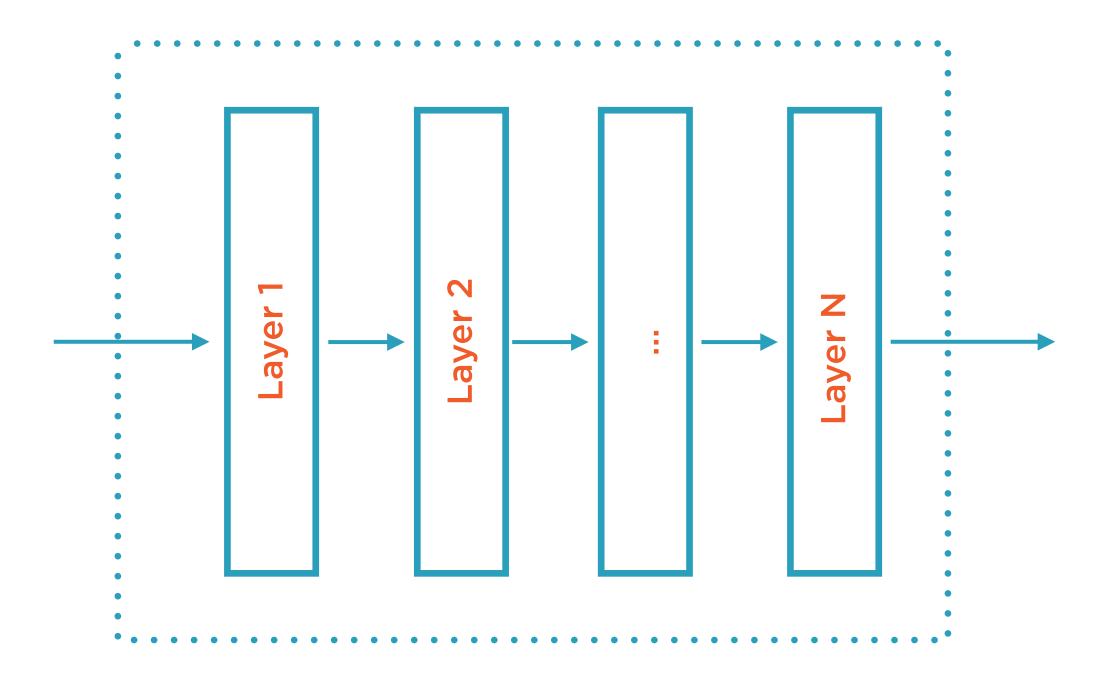
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Regression Using Neural Networks

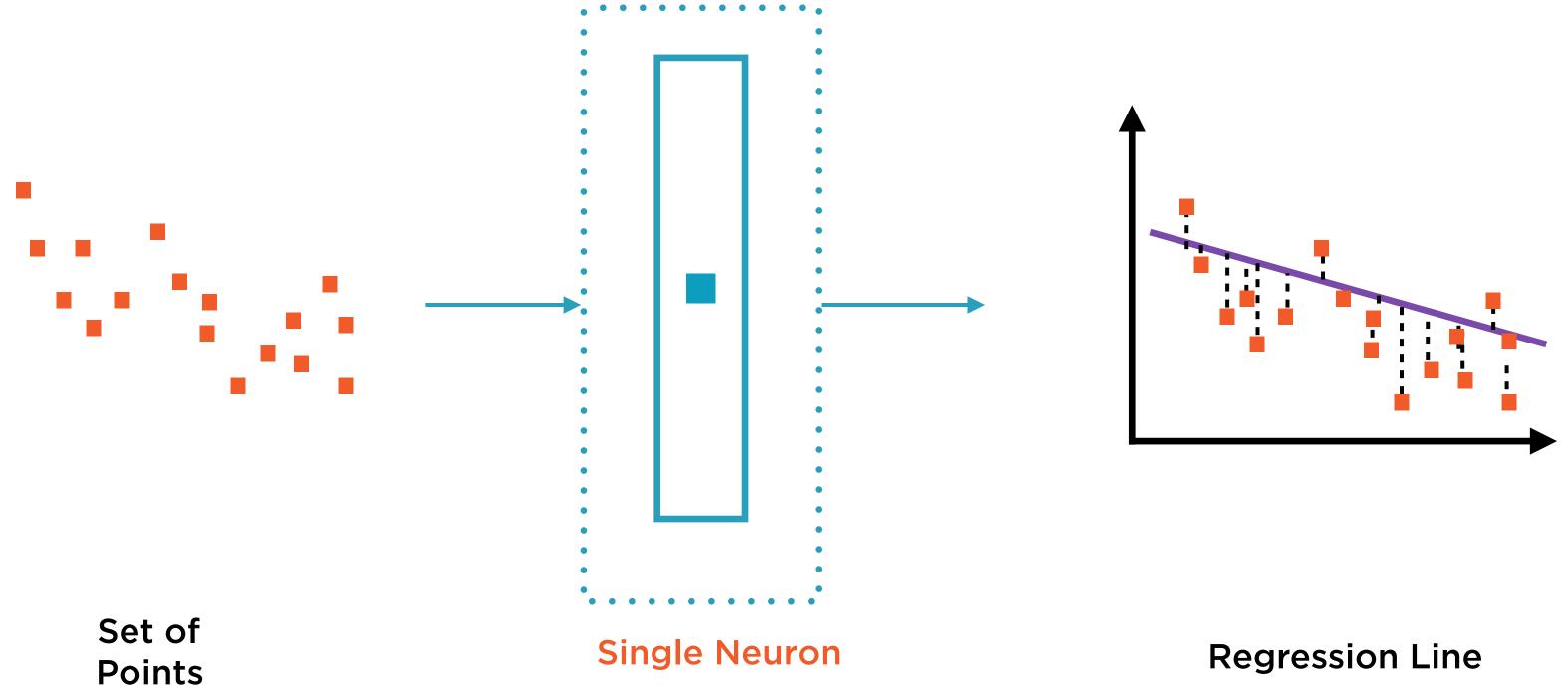
Neural Network Model



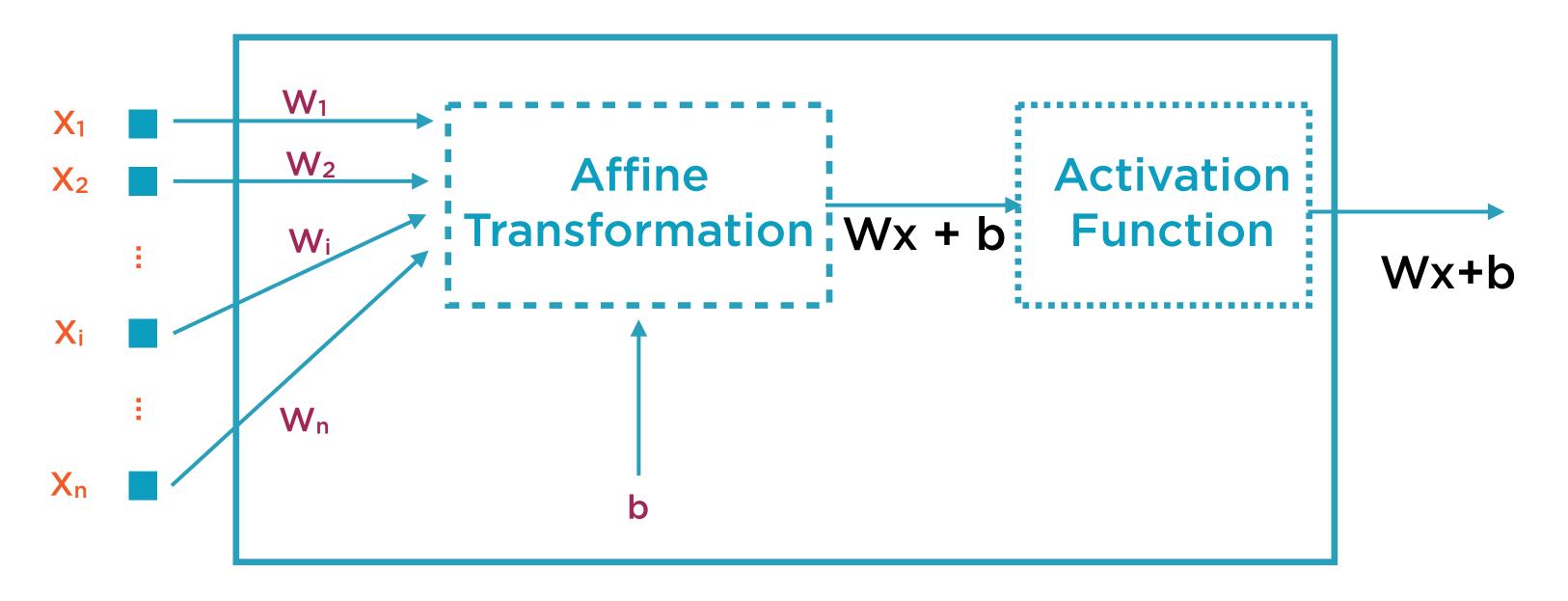
Network of interconnected layers

The weights and biases of individual neurons are determined during the training process

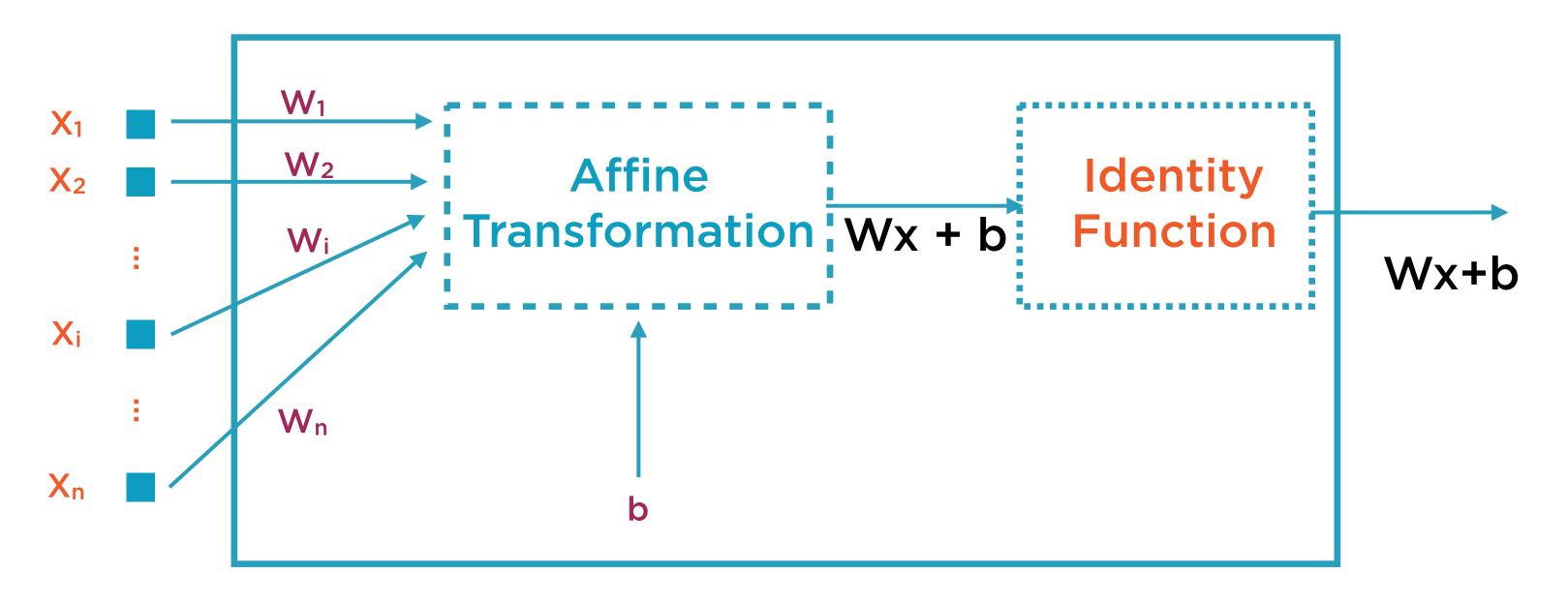
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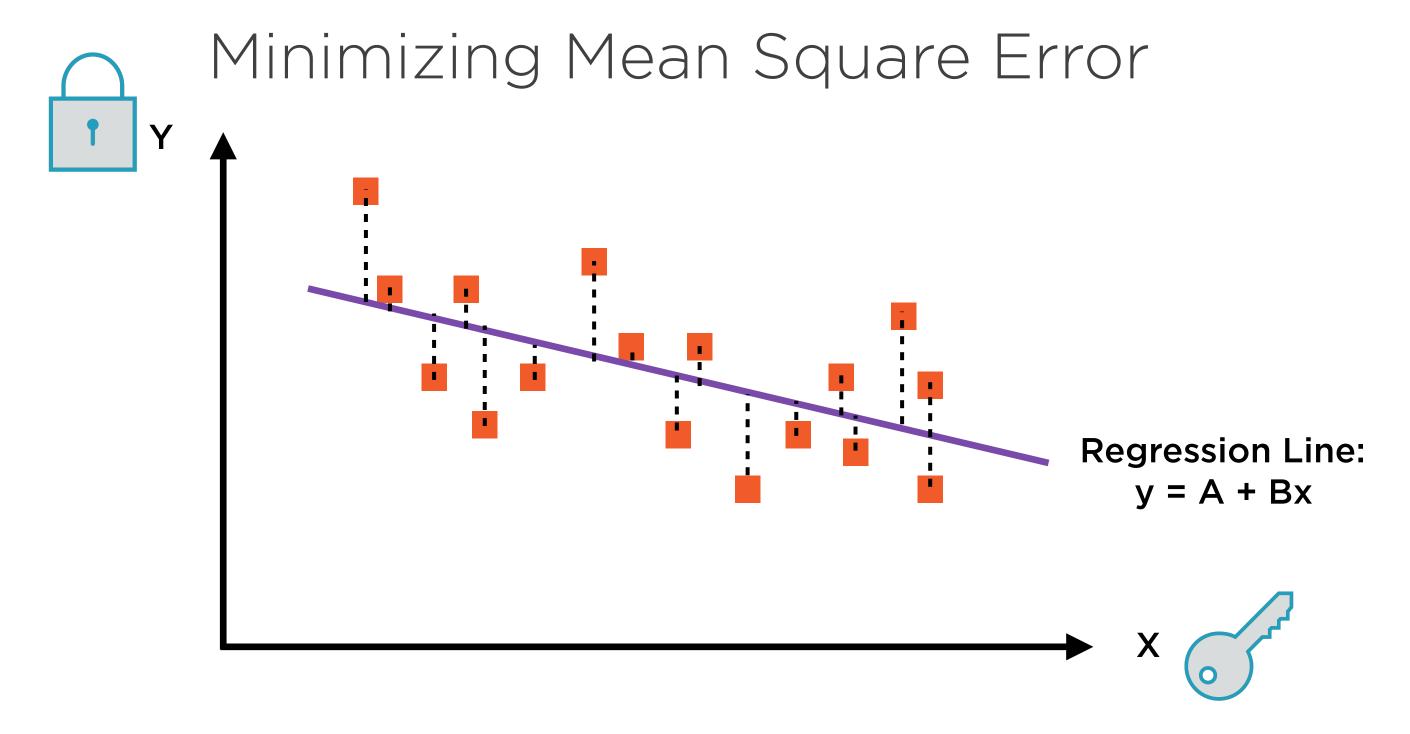


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The "best fit" line is called the regression line

The actual training of a neural network happens via Gradient Descent Optimization

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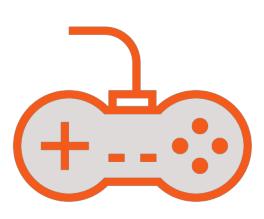
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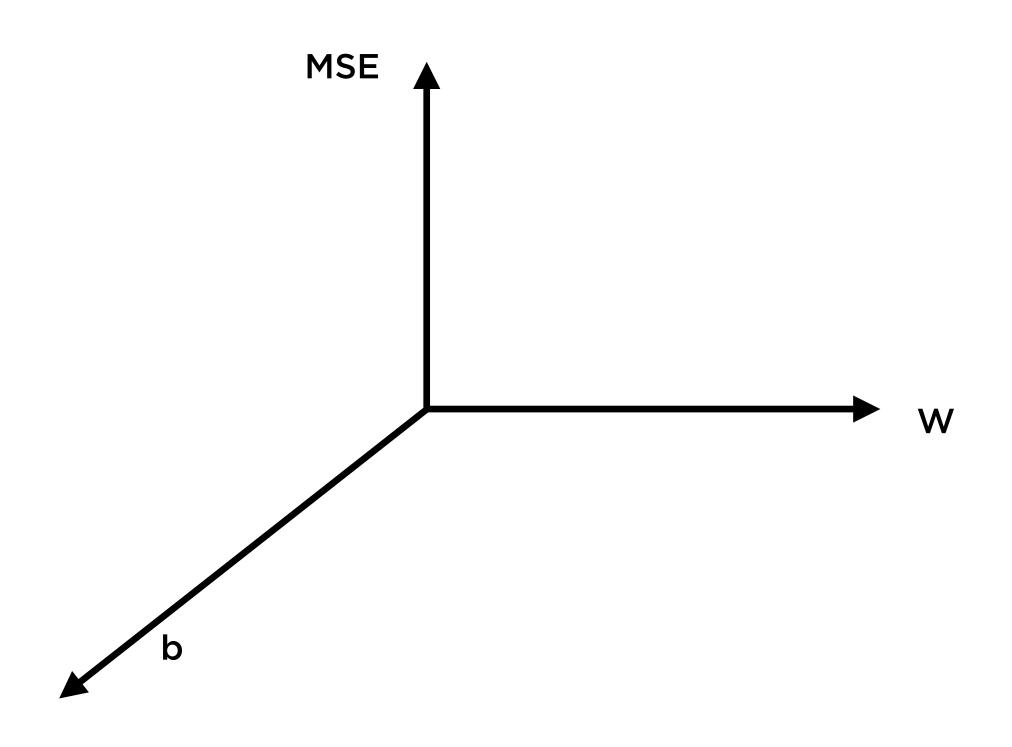
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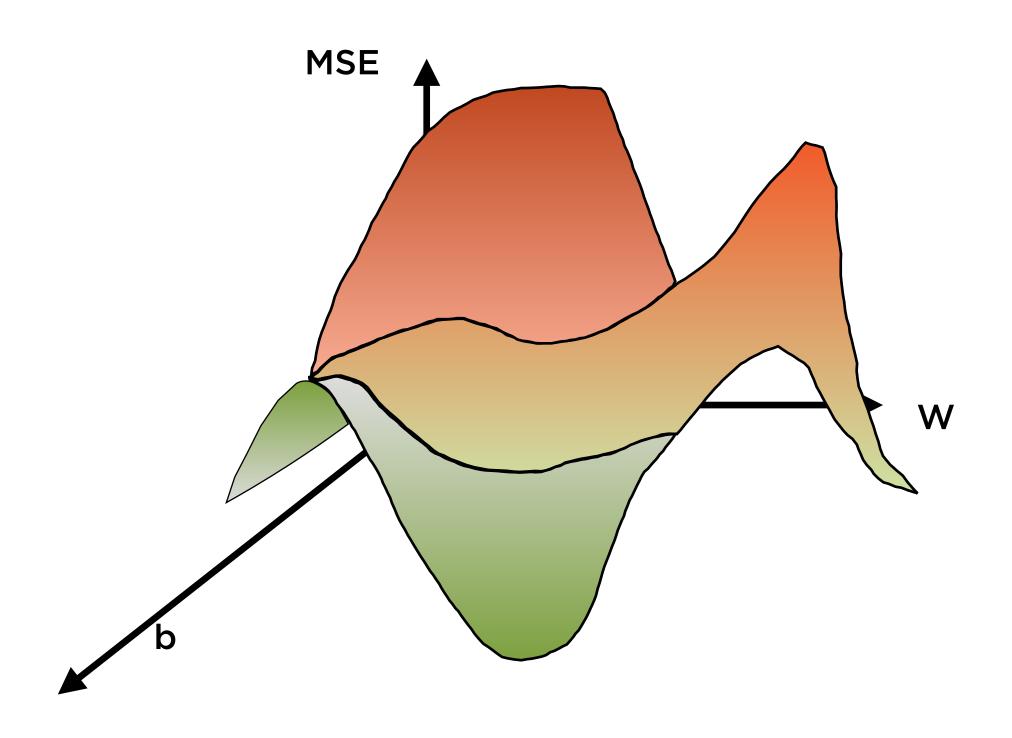
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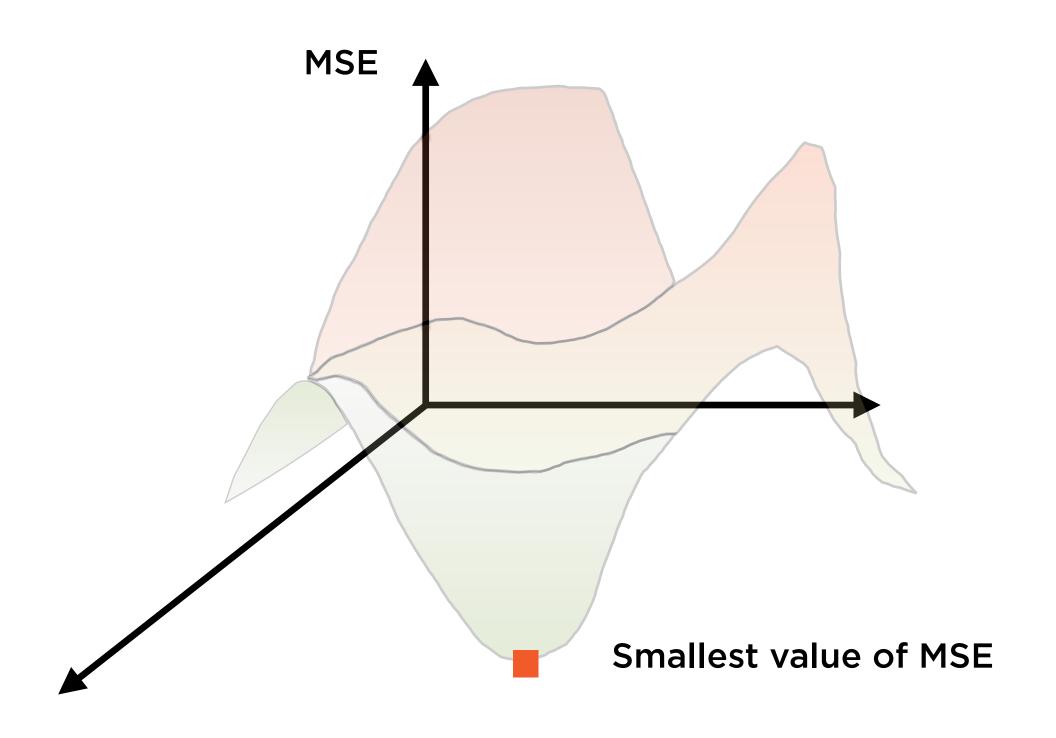
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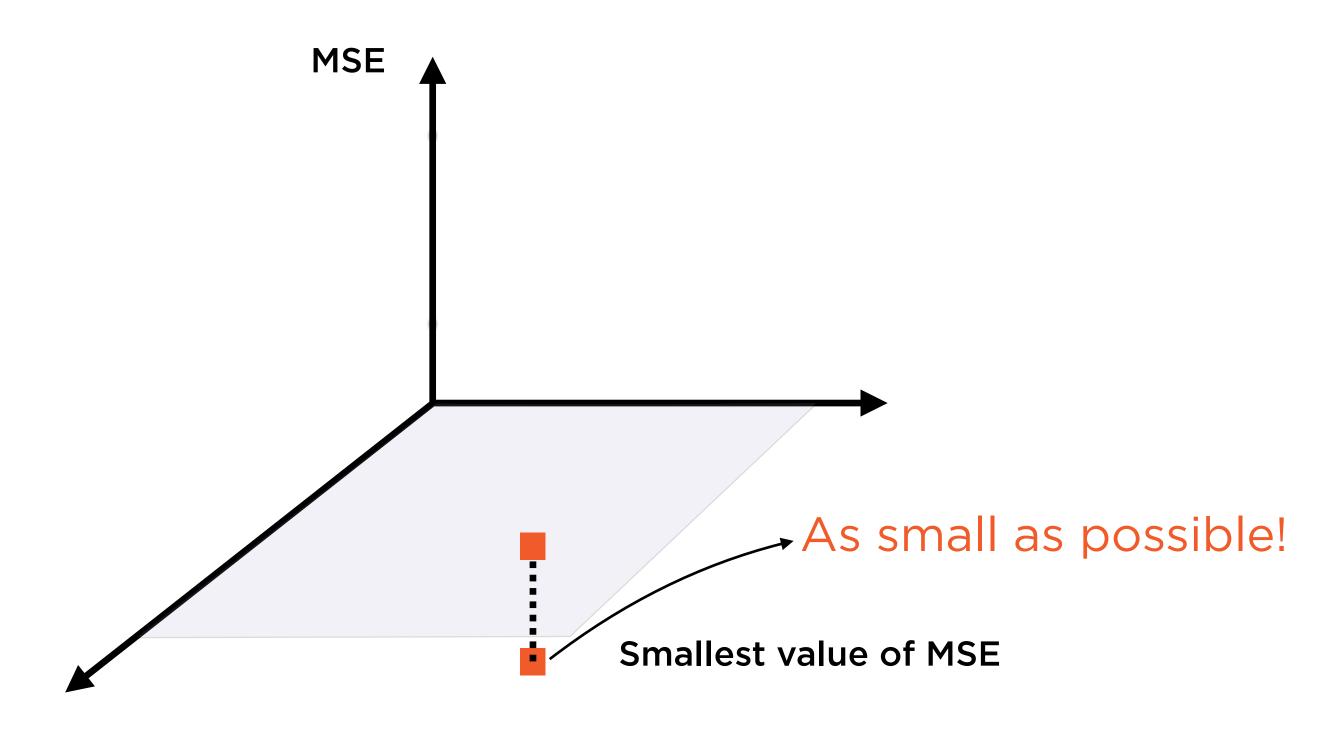
Decision Variables

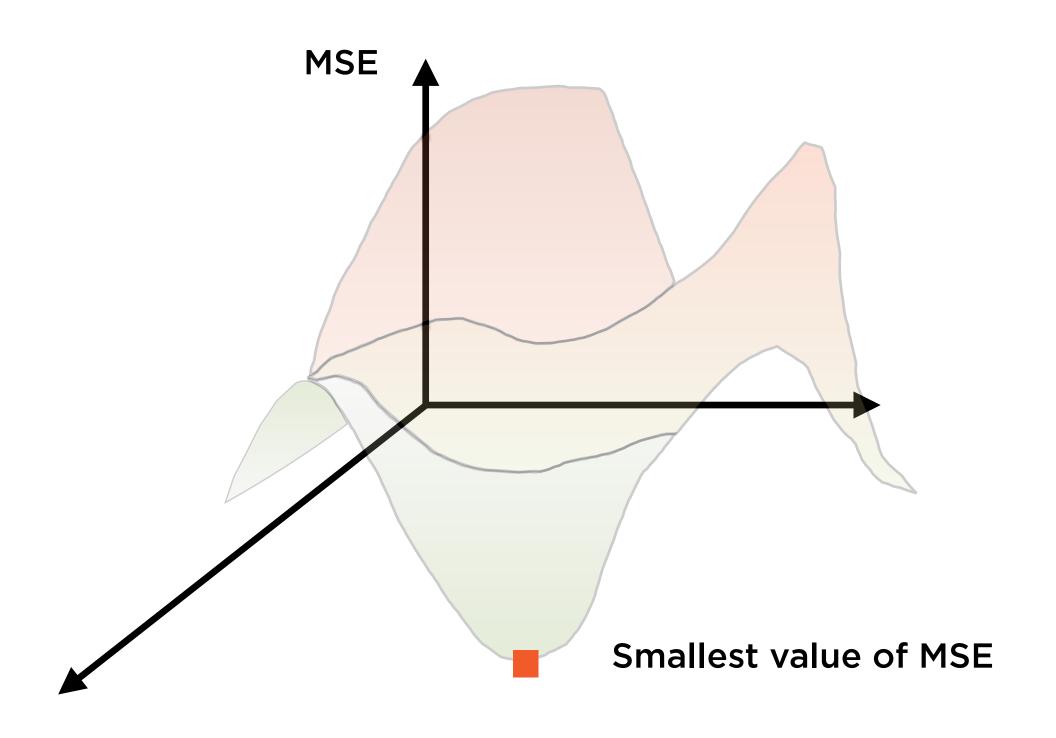
Values of W and b

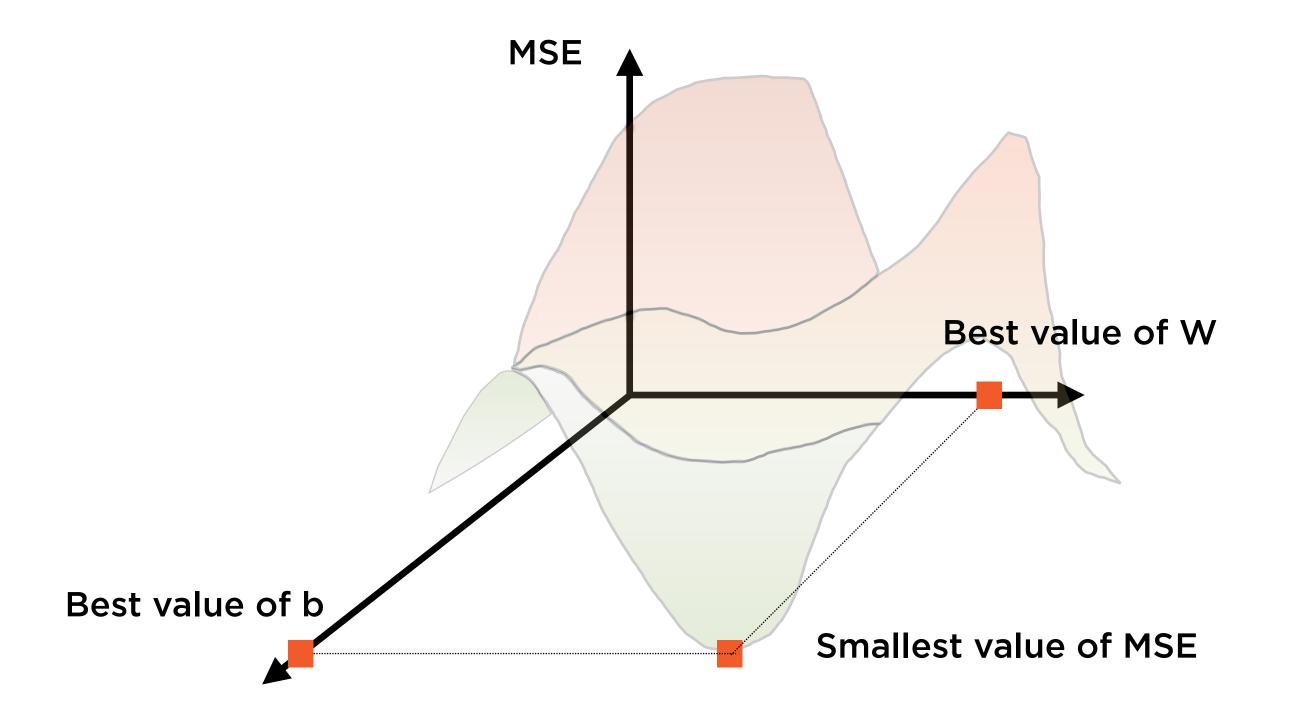




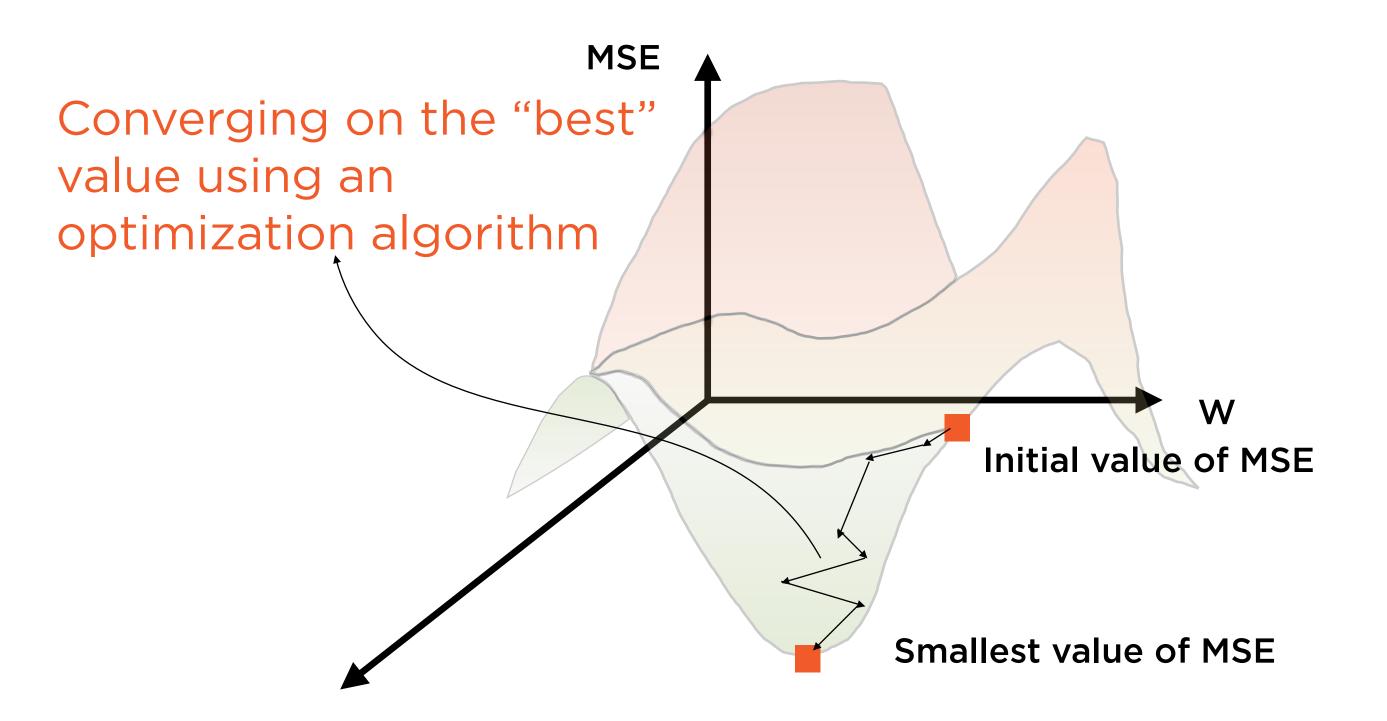


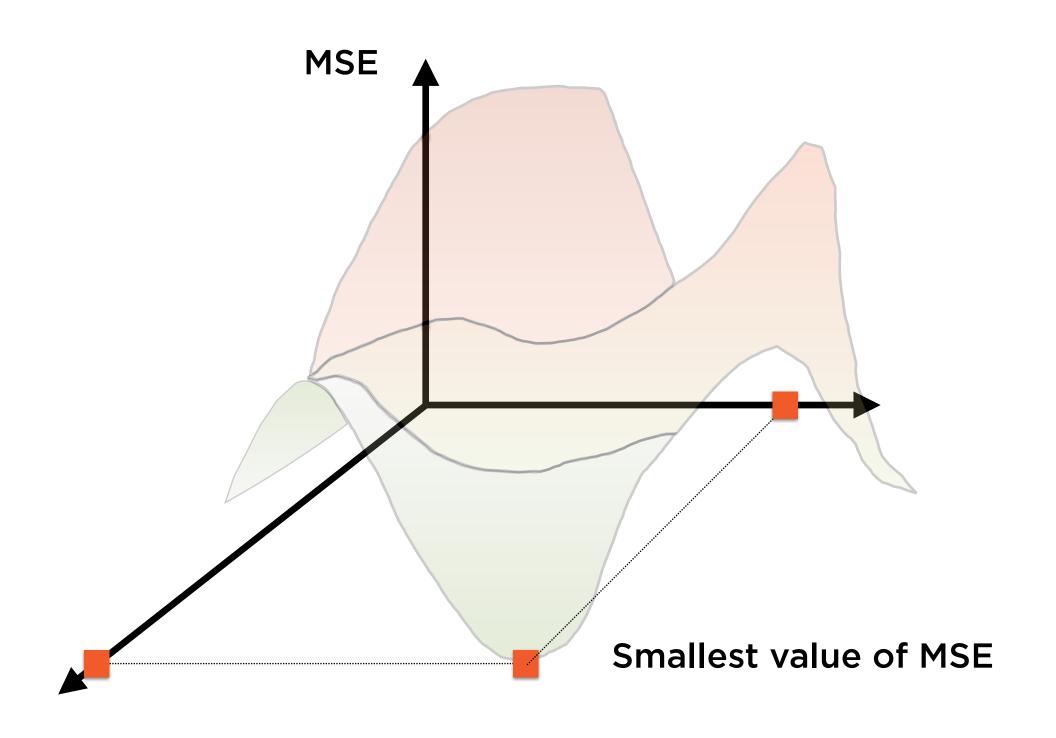




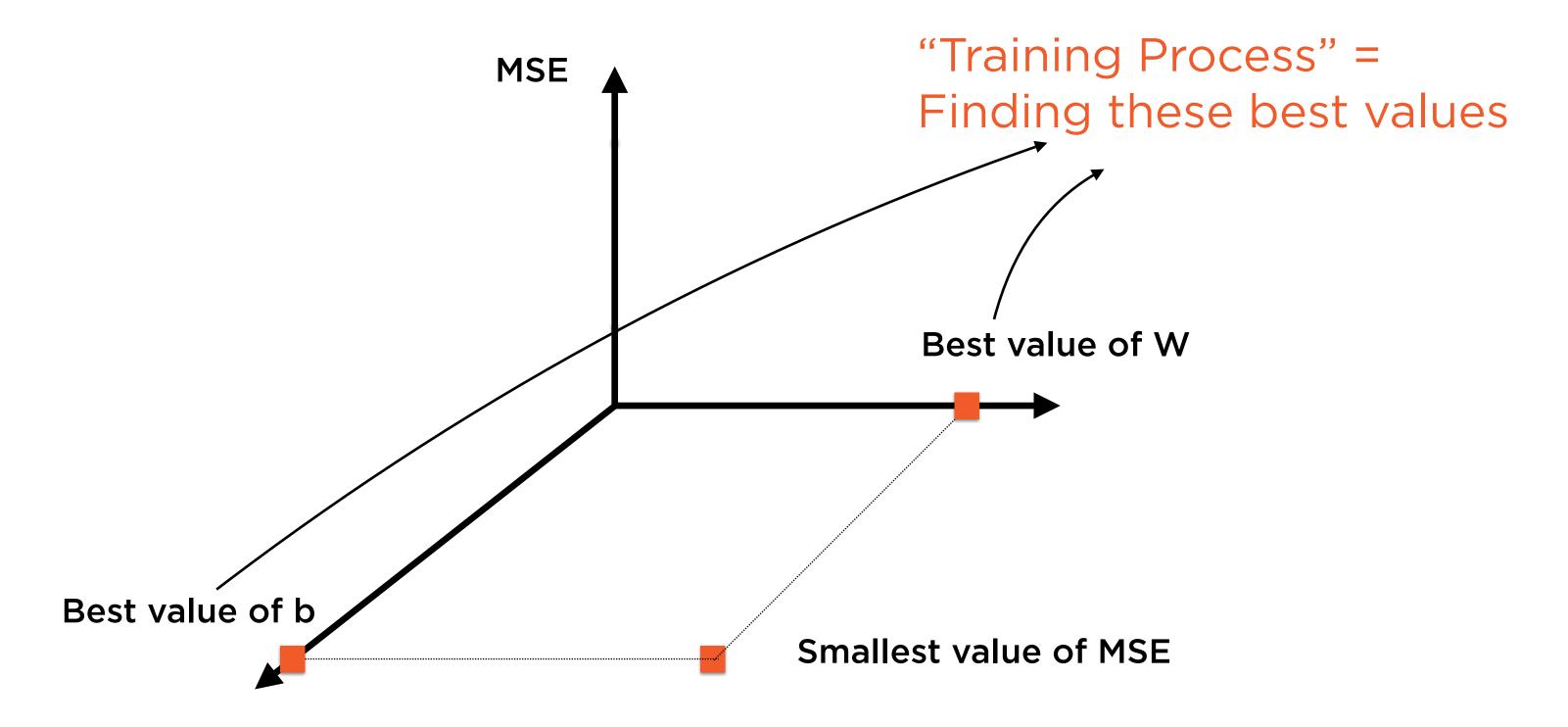


"Gradient Descent"





"Training" the Algorithm



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t+1 t
Parameters = Parameters - learning_rate x Gradient(θ)
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Basic SGD Optimizer

Move each parameter value in the direction of reducing gradient

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The size of the step in the direction of reducing gradients

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Momentum vector helps accelerate in the direction where gradient is decreasing

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Gradients at each step weighted by those in previous step

Benefit: Faster convergence

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Momentum-based Optimizer

Need a momentum coefficient, between 0 and 1 to prevent overshooting

scikit-learn Optimizers Relatively small number of optimizers supported

Plain-vanilla SGD optimizer

Adam optimizer

L-BFGS optimizer

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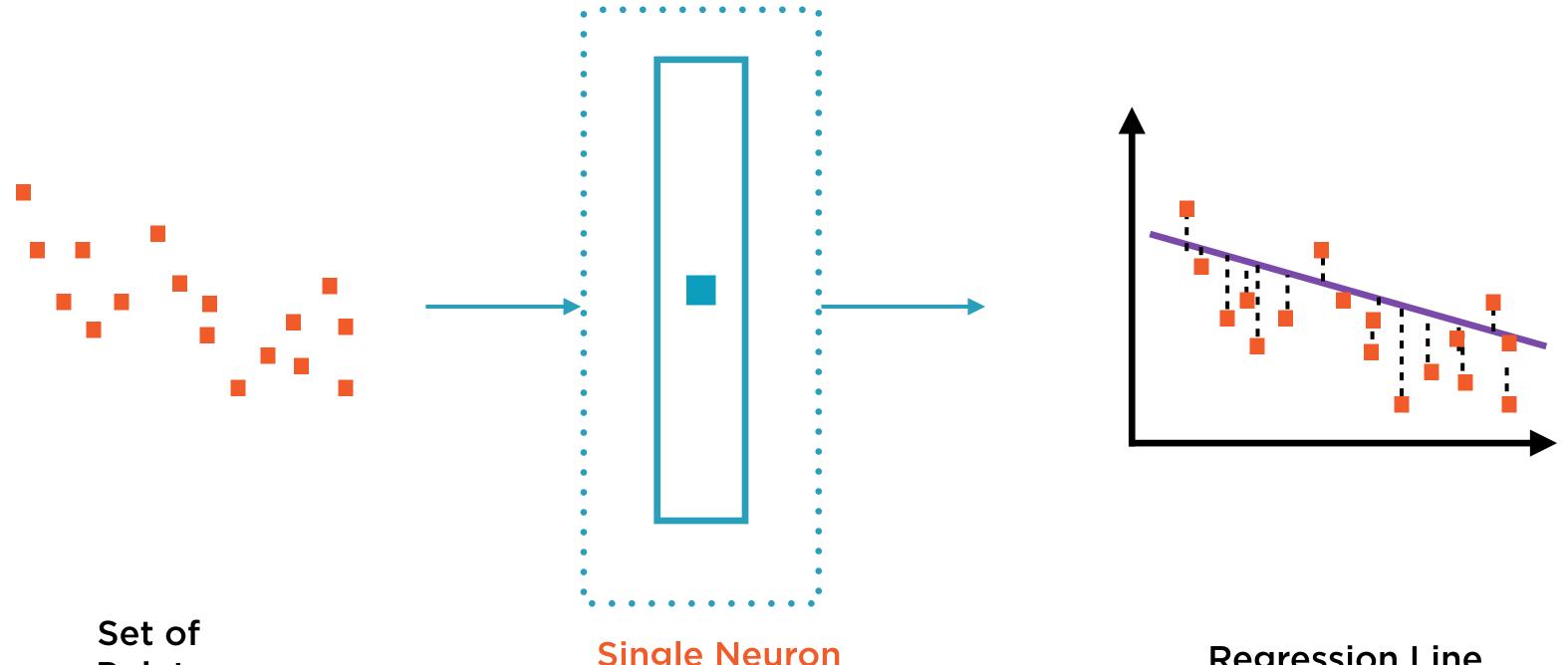
MLPRegressor estimator object to build regression models

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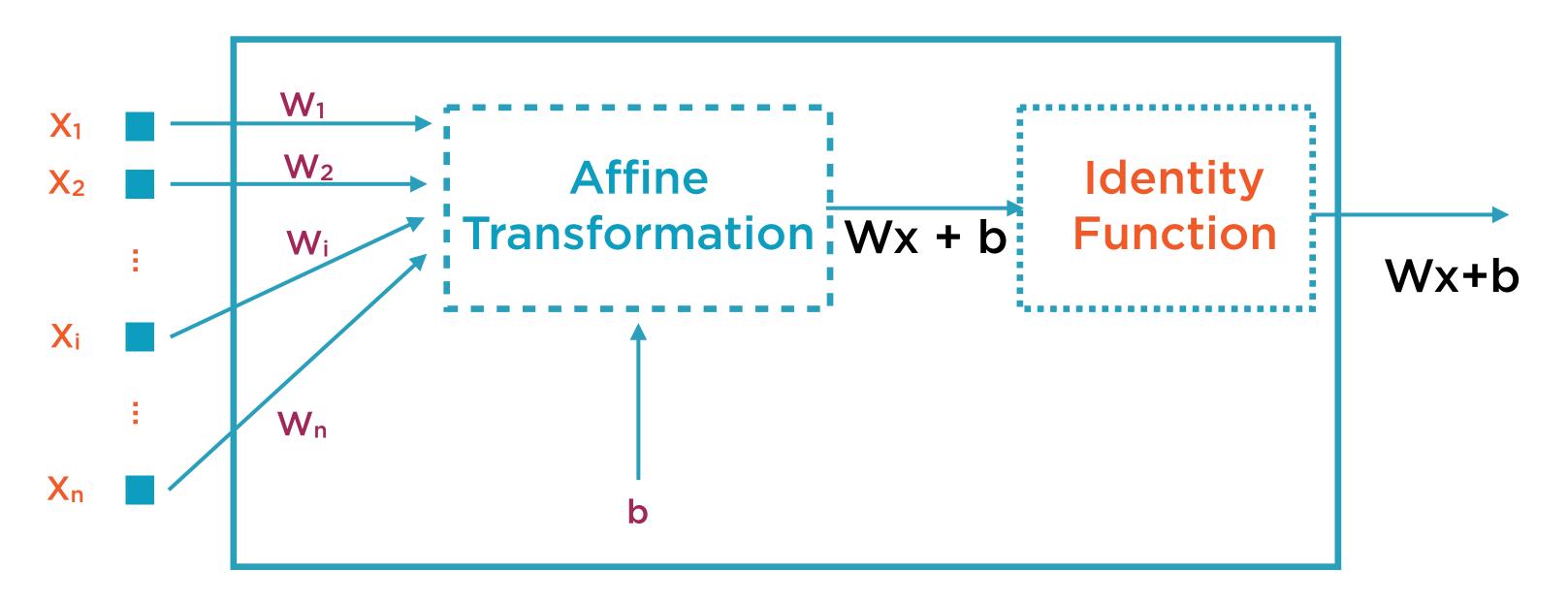


Points

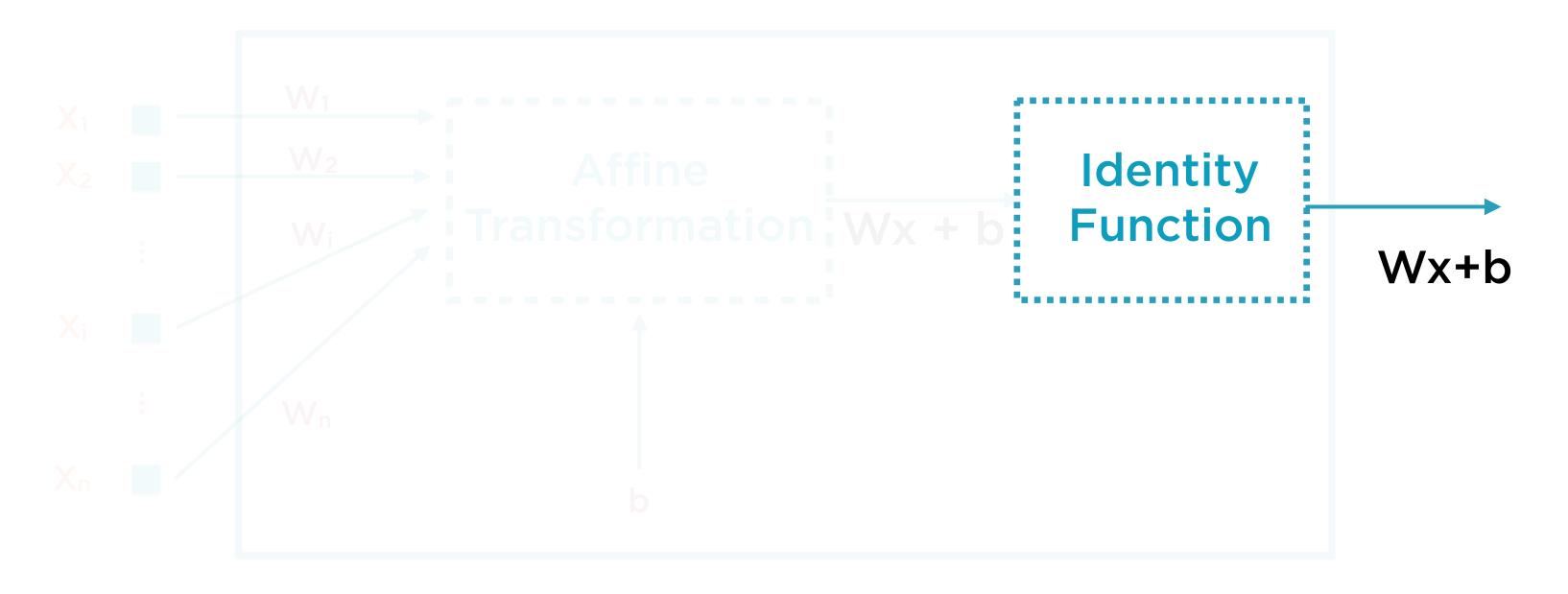
Single Neuron

Regression Line

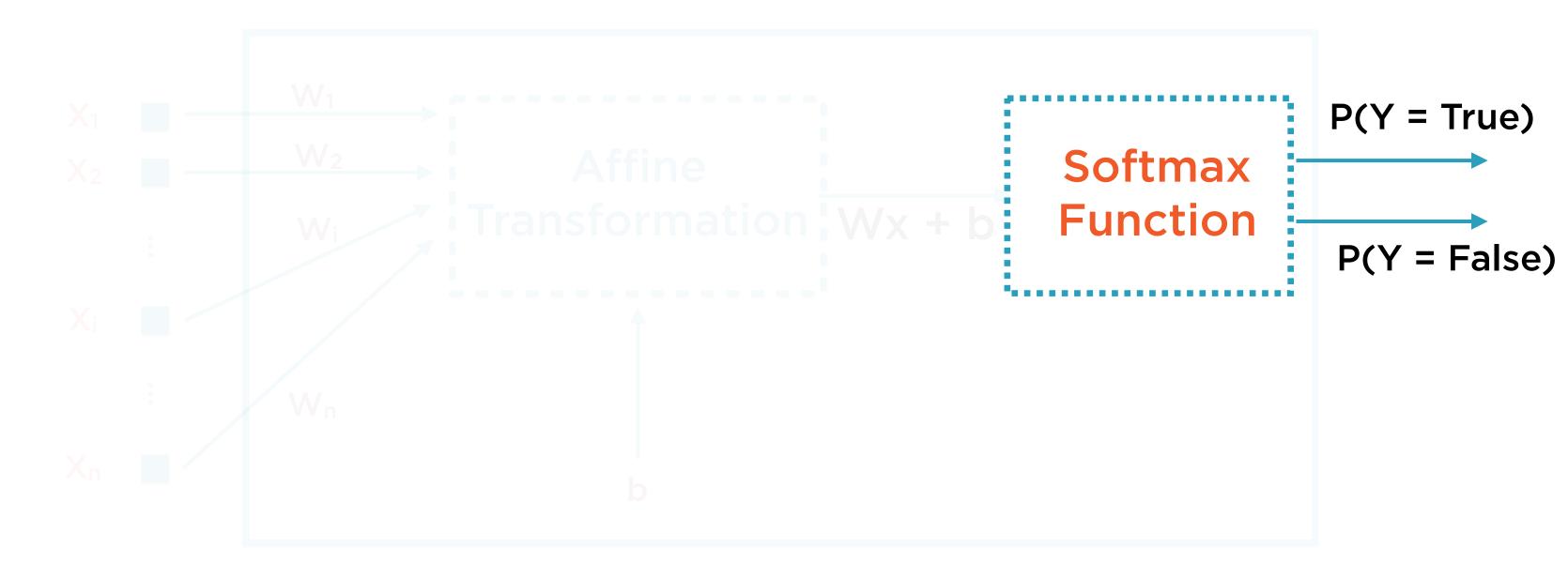
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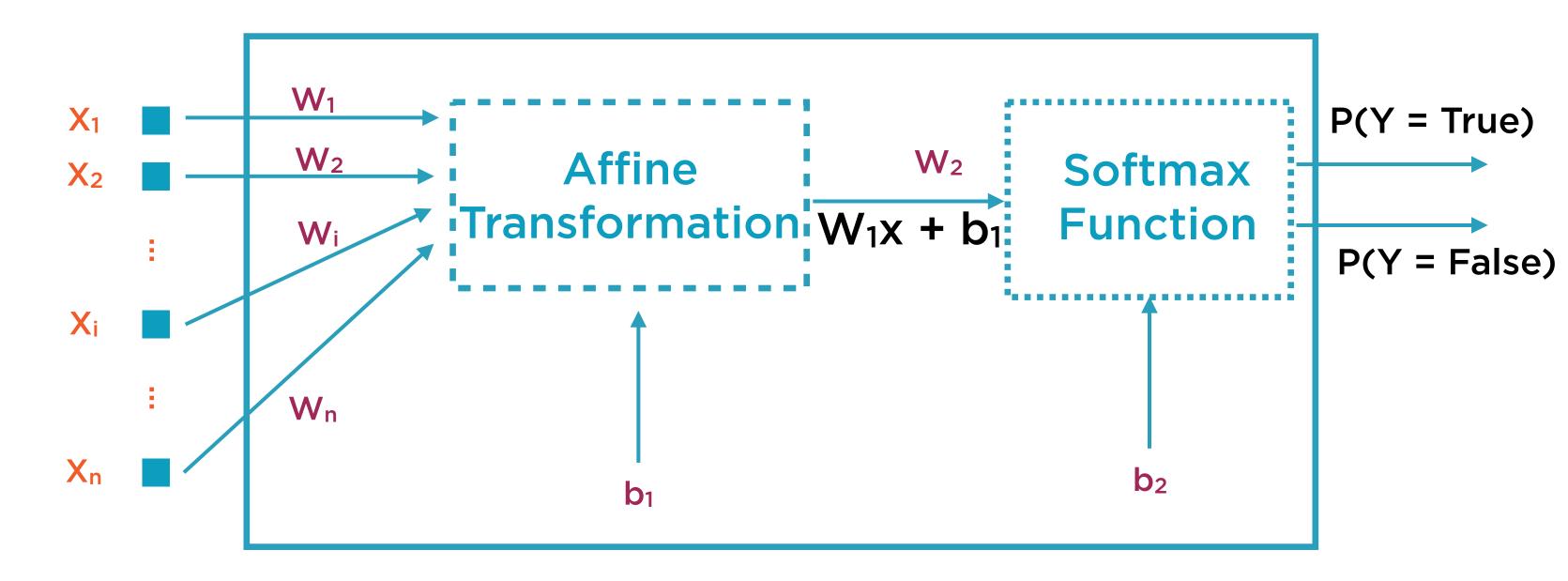
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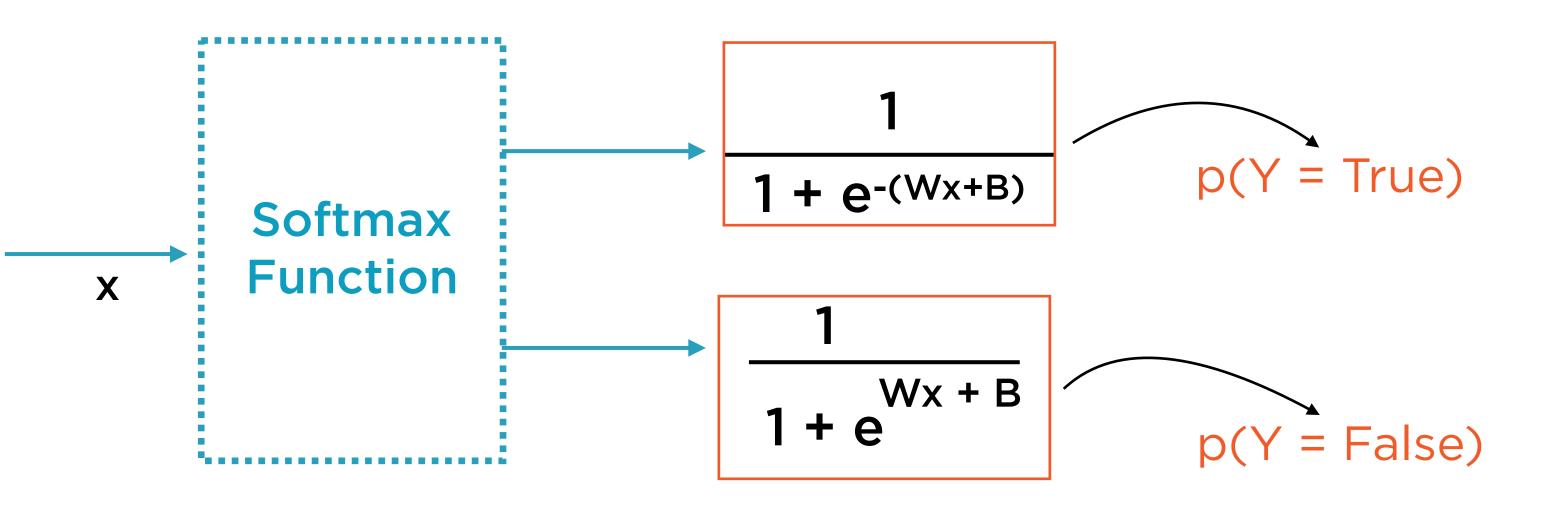
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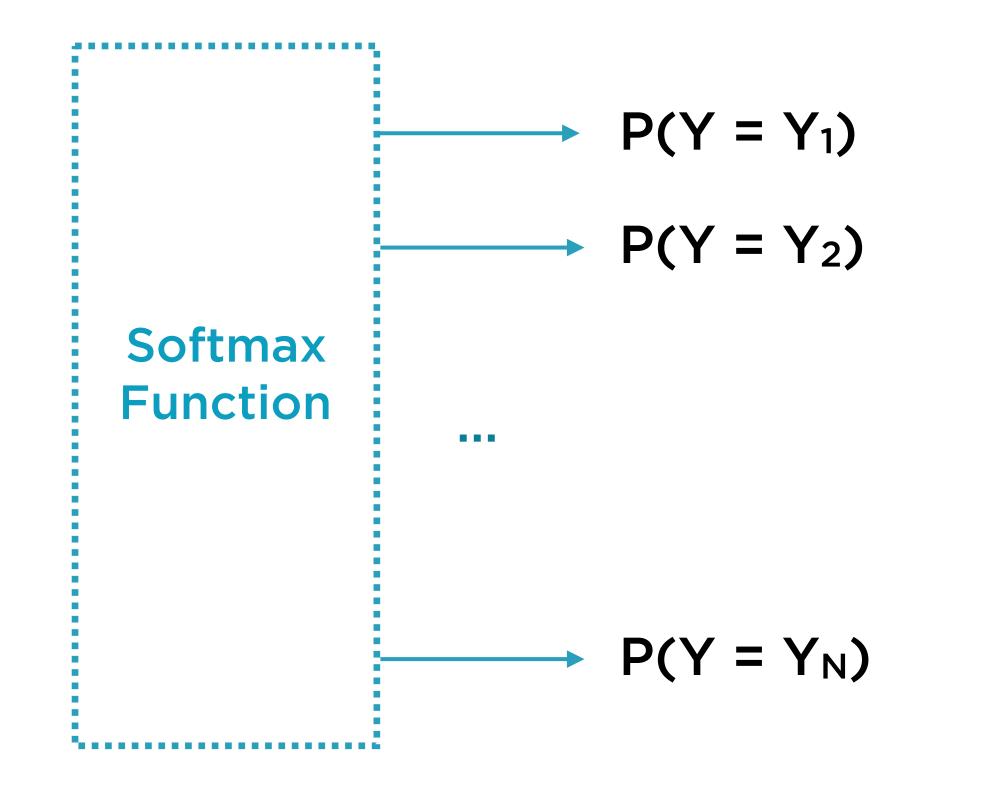
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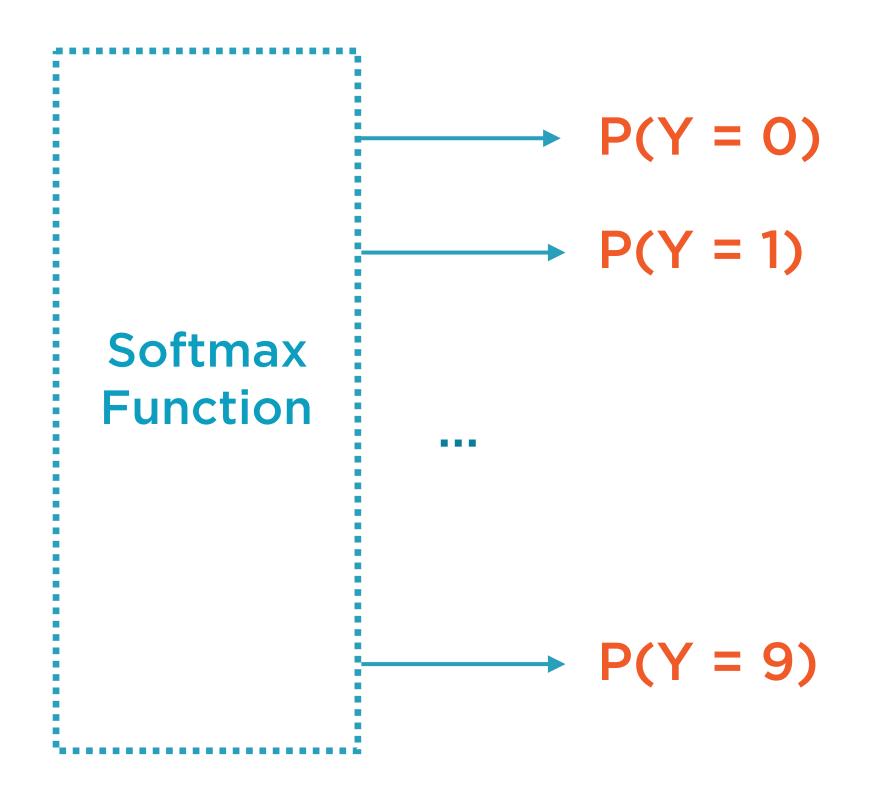
SoftMax for True/False Classification



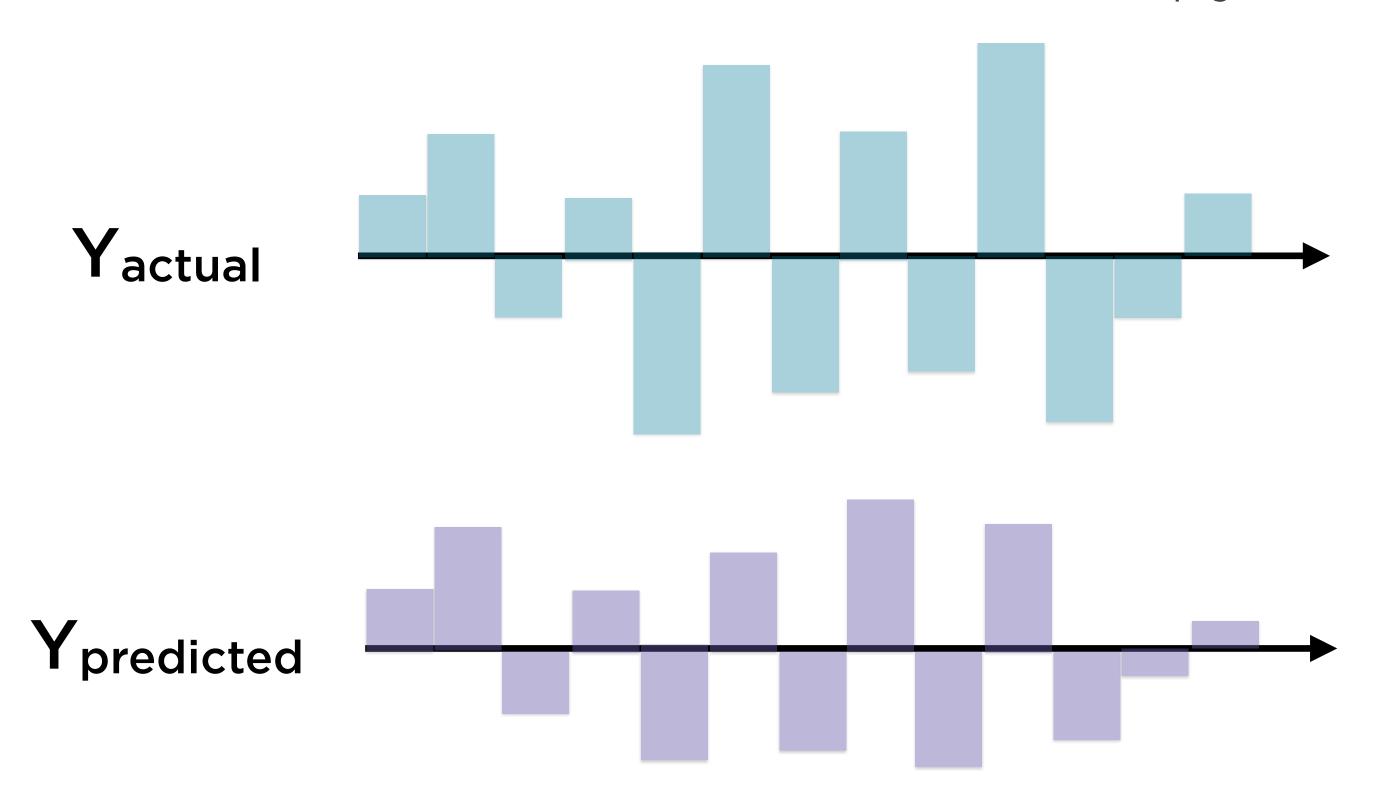
SoftMax N-category Classification



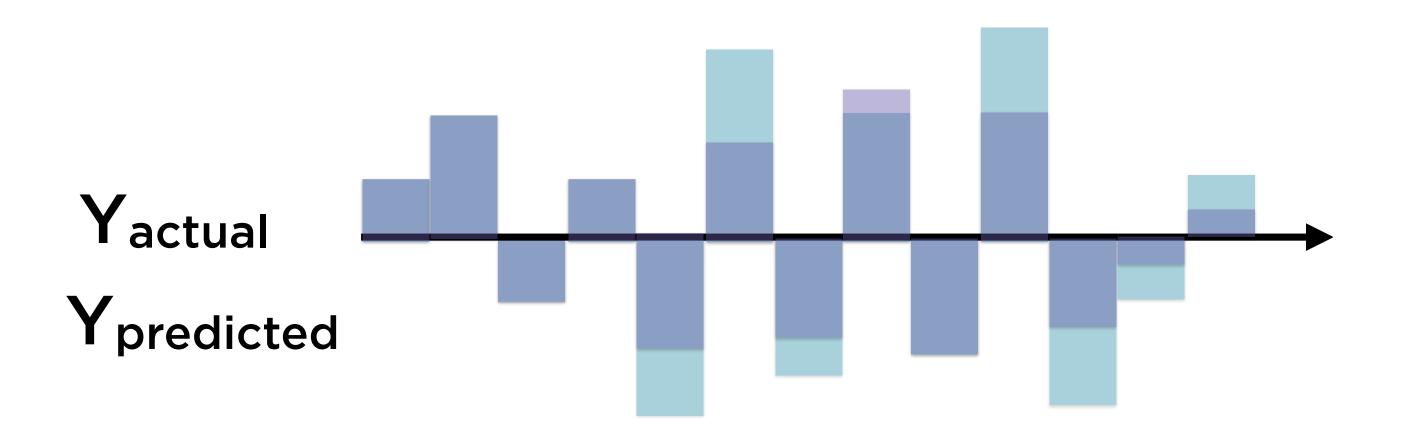
SoftMax for Digit Classification



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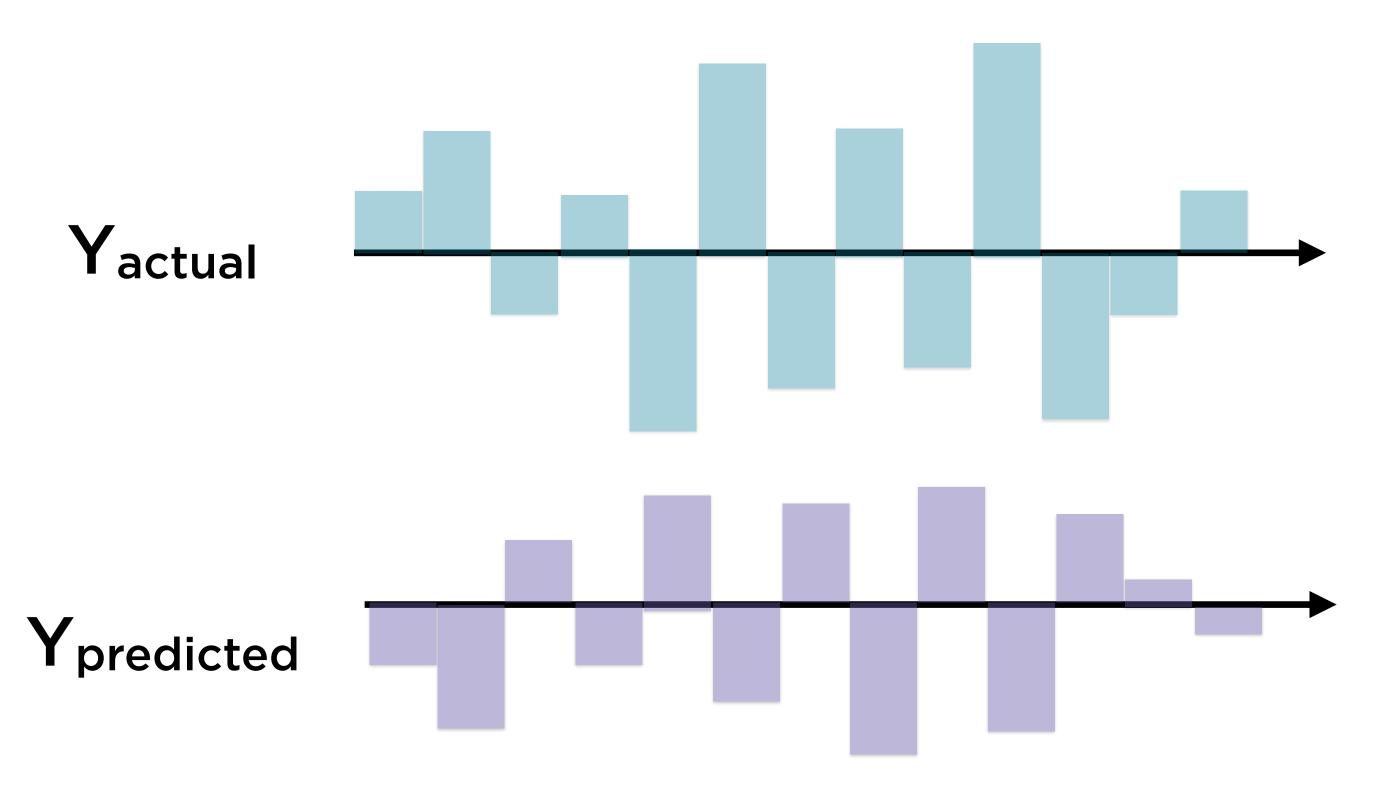


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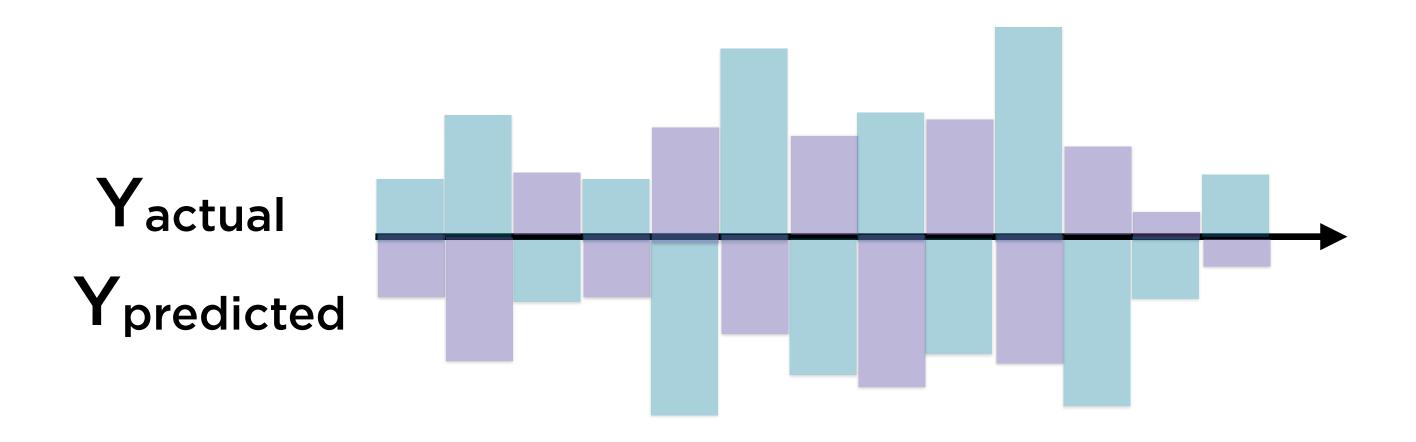


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