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Linear Models for Regression and Classification

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Introduction

- **Unsupervised Learning:** Given points $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N$: N points in D – dimensional space.

Aim: To cluster/group them/put them into clump-s/classes, given no other information

- **Supervised Learning:** Given points $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N$: N points in D – dimensional space, **and** target values/labels t_1, \dots, t_N

Aim of Regression: Prediction $t_i = y(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) + \varepsilon$,
 \mathbf{w} : parameters, ε : noise (modelled/unmodelled)

Aim of Classification: Labels $t_i \in \{0, 1\}$ or $\{-1, 1\}$
or multi-class: $\mathbf{t}_i = [0 \dots 0 \mathbf{1} 0 \dots] \equiv \mathcal{C}_j$