

# CS 156a - Problem Set 2

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## Problem 1

Answer: [b] 0.01

Code:

```
[1]: import numpy as np
from IPython.display import clear_output
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pickle
import math as m

def flipcoin_heads(Ntimes):
    heads=0
    for i in range(Ntimes):
        heads+=np.random.randint(0,2)
    return heads

def get_freq(Ncoins,Nflips, c_spec=0):
    c_rand=np.random.randint(0,Ncoins)
    nu_min=1
    nu_spec=0
    for i in range(Ncoins):
        nu_toss=flipcoin_heads(Nflips)/Nflips
        if(i==c_spec): nu_spec=nu_toss
        if(i==c_rand): nu_rand=nu_toss
        if(nu_toss<nu_min): nu_min=nu_toss
    return [nu_spec,nu_rand,nu_min]

def run_exp(Ntimes,Ncoins,Nflips,filename='freq.npy',saveonfile=True):
    freq=[]
    for i in range(Ntimes):
        clear_output(wait=True)
        print("Current progress:",np.round(i/Ntimes*100,2),"%")
        freq.append(get_freq(Ncoins,Nflips, c_spec=0))
    if(saveonfile==True):
        with open('freq.npy', 'wb') as f:
            np.save(f, np.array(freq))
    return np.array(freq)

[2]: #The generation of the distribution takes approximately 100 mins. If
    ↪saveonfile=True, the full array is automatically saved on a .npy file.
    #freq=run_exp(100000,1000,10)

[3]: with open('freq.npy', 'rb') as f:
    freq= np.load(f)
```

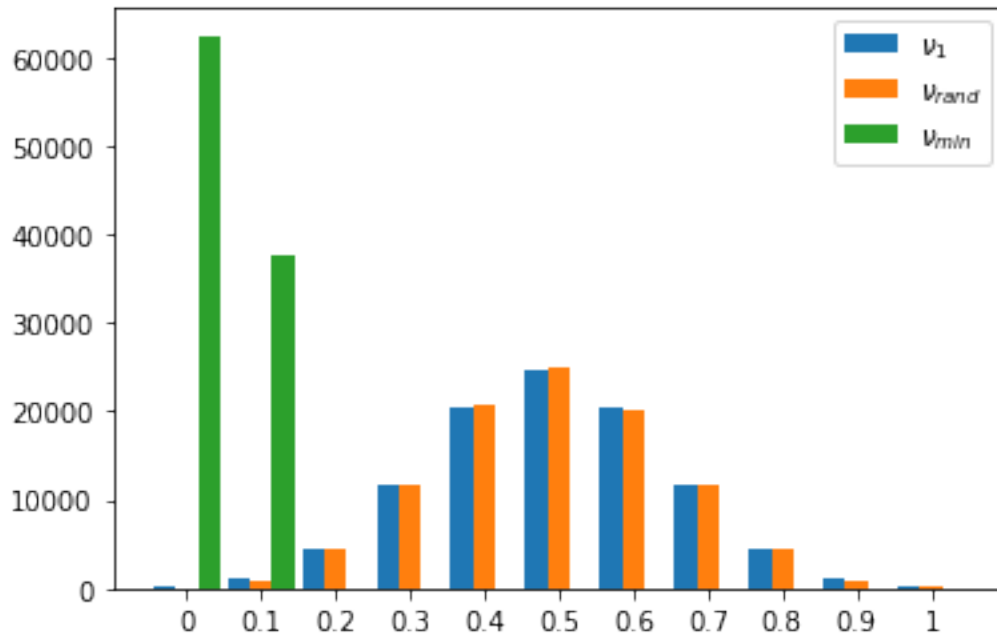
```
[4]: nu_min_av=np.sum(freq[:,2])/100000
print("The average value of nu_min is",nu_min_av)
```

The average value of nu\_min is 0.03756

```
[5]: (freq_1, bins) = np.histogram(freq[:,0], bins=11)
(freq_rand, bins) = np.histogram(freq[:,1], bins=11)
(freq_min, bins) = np.histogram(freq[:,2], bins=3)
freq_min=np.append(freq_min,np.zeros(8),0)

xaxis=np.linspace(0,1,11)

fig=plt.figure()
width=0.03
plt.bar(xaxis,freq_1,width,label=r'$\nu_{1}$')
plt.bar(xaxis+width,freq_rand,width,label=r'$\nu_{rand}$')
plt.bar(xaxis+width*2,freq_min,width,label=r'$\nu_{min}$')
plt.xticks(xaxis+width,['0','0.1','0.2','0.3','0.4','0.5','0.6','0.7','0.8','0.9','1'])
plt.legend(loc='upper right')
plt.show()
```



## Problem 2

**Answer:** [d]  $c_1$  and  $c_{rand}$

### Derivation:

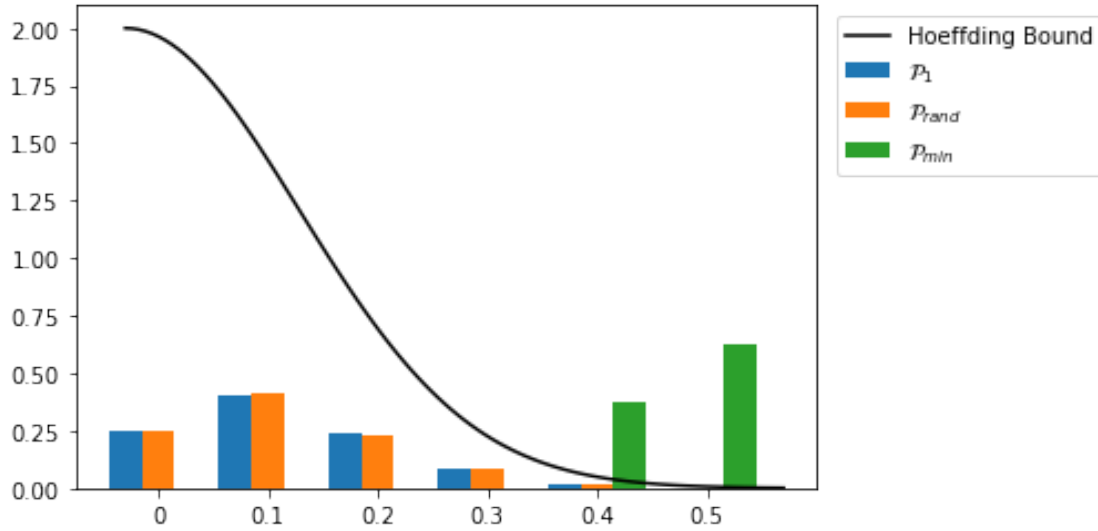
We expect the single bin's Hoeffding Inequality, in formulae

$$\mathcal{P}[|\nu - \mu| > \epsilon] \leq 2e^{-2\epsilon^2 N},$$

to hold only for hypothesis  $h$  fixed before the generation of the data set. Clearly, both  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_{rand}$  are fixed before tossing the 1000 coins, while  $\nu_{min}$  is decided only after generating the dataset. Here,  $N$  is the size of the sample, i.e. the number of times we flip each coin.

We first notice that the probability of heads is  $\mu = 0.5$  for the three coins since they are assumed to be fair. Therefore, we can compute  $|\nu - \mu|$  in the three cases. We can superimpose Hoeffding bound computed at various  $\epsilon$  to the previous histogram (once we rescale the frequencies in order to estimate probabilities). The following plot shows explicitly the violation of the Hoeffding Bound by the  $\nu_{min}$  distribution.

```
[6]: def Hoeff_bound(N,M,epsilon):  
    return 2*M*m.exp(-2*epsilon**2*N)  
  
absdev_1=np.abs(freq[:,0]-0.5)  
absdev_rand=np.abs(freq[:,1]-0.5)  
absdev_min=np.abs(freq[:,2]-0.5)  
  
(P_1, bins) = np.histogram(absdev_1, bins=6)  
(P_rand, bins) = np.histogram(absdev_rand, bins=6)  
(P_min, bins) = np.histogram(absdev_min, bins=3)  
  
P_1=P_1/100000  
P_rand=P_rand/100000  
P_min=np.insert(P_min,0,np.zeros(3),0)/100000  
  
xaxis=np.linspace(0,0.5,6)  
xfunc=np.linspace(0,0.6,100)  
bound=[Hoeff_bound(10,1,xfunc[i]) for i in range(len(xfunc))]  
  
fig=plt.figure()  
width=0.03  
plt.bar(xaxis,P_1,width,label=r'$\mathcal{P}_{1}$')  
plt.bar(xaxis+width,P_rand,width,label=r'$\mathcal{P}_{rand}$')  
plt.bar(xaxis+width*2,P_min,width,label=r'$\mathcal{P}_{min}$')  
plt.plot(xfunc,bound,color='black',label='Hoeffding Bound')  
plt.xticks(xaxis+width,['0','0.1','0.2','0.3','0.4','0.5'])  
plt.legend(loc='upper right',bbox_to_anchor=(1.4, 1))  
plt.show()
```



### Problem 3

**Answer:** [e]  $(1 - \lambda)(1 - \mu) + \lambda\mu$

**Derivation:**

In this problem, there are two binary functions  $f$  and  $h$ . Let be  $P(h(\mathbf{x}) \neq f(\mathbf{x})) = \mu$  the probability of  $h(\mathbf{x})$  in making a mistake in approximating  $f(\mathbf{x})$ . We now consider a noisy version of  $f$  for which there is a probability  $P(y = f(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{x}) = \lambda$  that  $f(\mathbf{x})$  assign the “correct” value  $y$  to the point  $\mathbf{x}$ .

If we want to compute the probability of error that  $h(\mathbf{x})$  makes in approximating  $y$ , we have to consider the following two cases in which  $h(\mathbf{x})$  gives the wrong estimate for  $y$ :

- $h(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x})$ , but  $y \neq f(\mathbf{x})$
- $y = f(\mathbf{x})$ , but  $h(\mathbf{x}) \neq f(\mathbf{x})$

In formulae,

$$P(h(\mathbf{x}) \neq y) = P(h(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}))P(y \neq f(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{x}) + P(h(\mathbf{x}) \neq f(\mathbf{x}))P(y = f(\mathbf{x})|\mathbf{x}) = (1 - \mu)(1 - \lambda) + \lambda\mu.$$

### Problem 4

**Answer:** [b] 0.5

**Derivation:**

We just solve for the derivative of the previous expression with respect to  $\mu$  to be zero, i.e.

$$\frac{dP(h \neq y)}{d\mu} = \frac{d}{d\mu} [(1-\lambda)(1-\mu) + \lambda\mu] = -1 + 2\lambda = 0 \rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2}.$$

## Problems 5-6

Answers: [c] 0.01 , [c] 0.01

Code:

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def f(x,m,b):
    return m*x+b

def gen_points_2d_bias(N,xleft=-1,xright=1,yleft=-1,yright=1):
    pts=[[1,np.random.uniform(xleft,xright),np.random.uniform(yleft,yright)] for
    i in range(N)]
    return np.array(pts)

def gen_line():
    x1,x2,y1,y2=np.random.uniform(-1,1),np.random.uniform(-1,1),np.random.
    uniform(-1,1),np.random.uniform(-1,1)
    m=(y2-y1)/(x2-x1)
    b=(y1*x2-y2*x1)/(x2-x1)
    return m,b

def gen_bias_input(N_pts,m,b,plot=True):
    data=gen_points_2d_bias(N_pts)
    output=[]
    x0=data[:,1]
    y0=data[:,2]
    for i in range(N_pts):
        if(f(x0[i],m,b)>y0[i]): output.append(1.)
        else: output.append(-1.)
    if(plot==True):
        col=[]
        for i in range(len(output)):
            if(output[i]>0): col.append('red')
            else: col.append('green')
        x=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        plt.plot(x,f(x,m,b),color='blue',label='true')
        plt.scatter(x0,y0,color=col)
        plt.xlim([-1, 1])
        plt.ylim([-1, 1])
    return data, np.array(output)
```

```

def linear_regression_w(X,y):
    return np.dot(np.linalg.pinv(X),y)

def h(w,data):
    return np.sign(np.dot(w,data.T))

def Eout_estimate(m,b,w,Nval=1000):
    data,output=gen_bias_input(Nval,m,b,plot=False)
    g=h(w,data)
    testg=(g==output)
    Eout=len(np.where(testg==False)[0])
    return Eout/Nval

def linreg_run(N_pts,plot=False):

    #Generating linearly separable points
    m,b=gen_line()
    data,y=gen_bias_input(N_pts,m,b,plot=plot)

    #Computing linear regression weights
    w=linear_regression_w(data,y)

    #Ein computation
    g=h(w,data)
    testg=(g==y)
    Ein=len(np.where(testg==False)[0])/N_pts

    #Eout computation
    Eout=Eout_estimate(m,b,w)

    #Plot
    if(plot==True):
        x=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        plt.plot(x,f(x,-w[1]/w[2],-w[0]/
→w[2]),color='blue',linestyle='dashed',label='lin_reg')
        plt.legend()
        plt.show
    return w, Ein, Eout

def average_linreg(N_pts,N_runs):
    average_Ein=0
    average_Eout=0
    for i in range(N_runs):
        exp=linreg_run(N_pts)
        average_Ein+=exp[1]
        average_Eout+=exp[2]
    print("#####")

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print("Here's the result for N_runs=",N_runs,"with N_pts=",N_pts)
print("Average Ein:",average_Ein/N_runs)
print("Average Eout:",average_Eout/N_runs)

```

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[2]: Npts=100
     Nruns=1000

     average_linreg(Npts,Nruns)

```

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#####
Here's the result for N_runs= 1000 with N_pts= 100
Average Ein: 0.0378000000000000104
Average Eout: 0.047431000000000001

```

## Problem 7

Answer: [a] 1

Code:

```

[12]: def PLA_run_linreginit(N_pts, plot=False):

        #Generating linearly separable points
        m,b=gen_line()
        data,y=gen_bias_input(N_pts,m,b,plot)

        #Initialization weights with linear regression
        w=linear_regression_w(data,y)
        if(plot==True):
            x=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
            plt.plot(x,f(x,-w[1]/w[2],-w[0]/
→w[2]),color='blue',linestyle='dotted',label='linreg')

        #Initialization
        converged=False
        iterations=0

        #Learning algorithm
        while(converged==False):
            g=h(w,data)
            testg=(g==y)
            misclassified=np.where(testg==False)[0]
            if(len(misclassified)>0):
                mis_index=np.random.randint(0, len(misclassified))
                i=misclassified[mis_index]
                w+=y[i]*data[i]
                iterations+=1
            g=h(w,data)

```



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        converged=np.all(g==y)
    if(plot==True):
        x=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        plt.plot(x,f(x,-w[1]/w[2],-w[0]/
→w[2]),color='blue',linestyle='dashed',label='PLA')
        plt.legend()
        plt.show
    return w,iterations

def average_PLA(N_pts,N_runs):
    average_iter=0
    for i in range(N_runs):
        average_iter+=PLA_run_linreginit(N_pts)[1]
    print("#####")
    print("Here's the result for N_runs=",N_runs,"with N_pts=",N_pts)
    print("Average iterations for convergence:",average_iter/N_runs)

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[14]: Npts=10
      Nruns=1000

      average_PLA(Npts,Nruns)

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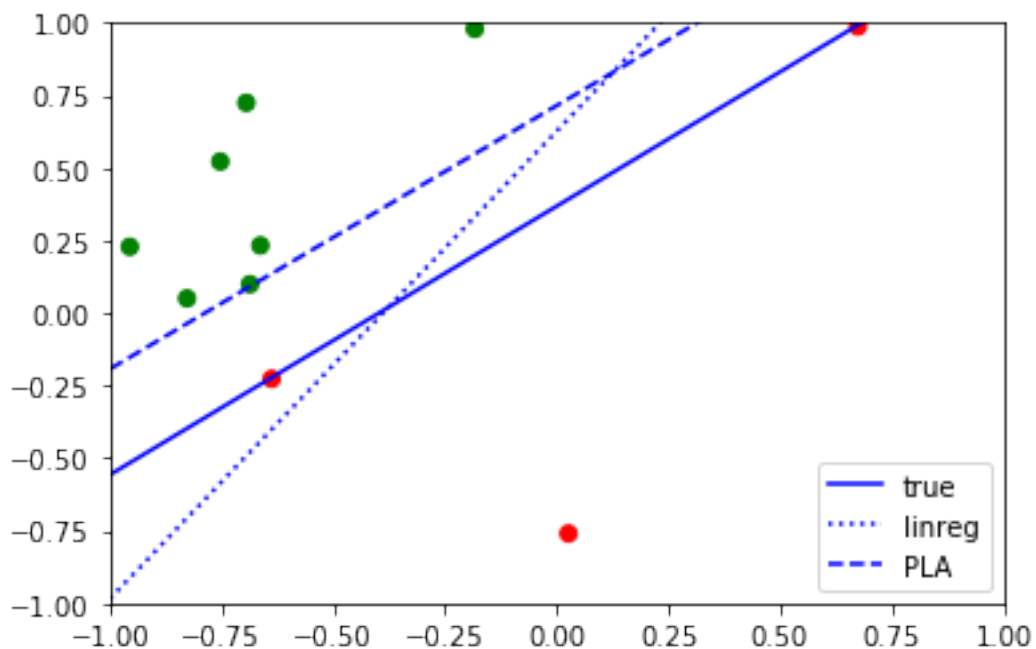
#####
Here's the result for N_runs= 1000 with N_pts= 10
Average iterations for convergence: 4.65

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[15]: ### Plotted example
      ex=PLA_run_linreginit(10, plot=True)

```



## Problem 8

Answer: [d] 0.5

Code:

```
[12]: %reset -f
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def f(x):
    return x[0]**2+x[1]**2-0.6

def line(x,m,b):
    return m*x+b

def gen_points_2d_bias(N,xleft=-1,xright=1,yleft=-1,yright=1):
    pts=[[1,np.random.uniform(xleft,xright),np.random.uniform(yleft,yright)] for
    ↪ i in range(N)]
    return np.array(pts)

def add_noise(y,percentage):
    nflips=np.int(len(y)*percentage/100)
    randindex=np.random.choice(range(len(y)), nflips, replace=False)
    for i in range(nflips):
        y[randindex[i]]*=-1
    return y

def gen_bias_input(N_pts,ftarget,noise=0,plot=True):
    data=gen_points_2d_bias(N_pts)
    y=np.sign(ftarget(data[:,1:3].T))
    if(noise!=0):
        y=add_noise(y,noise)
    if(plot==True):
        col=[]
        for i in range(len(y)):
            if(y[i]>0): col.append('red')
            else: col.append('green')
        x0=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        y0=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        x0,y0=np.meshgrid(x0,y0)
        plt.contour(x0,y0,ftarget([x0,y0]),[0],colors='blue',linestyles='solid')
        plt.scatter(data[:,1],data[:,2],color=col)
        plt.xlim([-1, 1])
```

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        plt.ylim([-1, 1])
    return data, y

def h(w,data):
    return np.sign(np.dot(w,data.T))

def Eout_estimate(ftarget,w,Nval=1000):
    data,output=gen_bias_input(Nval,ftarget,plot=False)
    g=h(w,data)
    testg=(g==output)
    Eout=len(np.where(testg==False)[0])
    return Eout/Nval

def linear_regression_w(X,y):
    return np.dot(np.linalg.pinv(X),y)

def linreg_run_linear(N_pts,ftarget,noise=0,plot=False):

    #Generating non-linearly separable points
    data,y=gen_bias_input(N_pts,ftarget,noise=noise,plot=plot)

    #Computing linear regression weights
    w=linear_regression_w(data,y)

    #Ein computation
    g=h(w,data)
    testg=(g==y)
    Ein=len(np.where(testg==False)[0])/N_pts

    #Eout computation
    Eout=Eout_estimate(ftarget,w)

    #Plot
    if(plot==True):
        x=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        plt.plot(x,line(x,-w[1]/w[2],-w[0]/
→w[2]),color='blue',linestyle='dashed',label='lin_reg')
        plt.legend()
        plt.show
    return w, Ein, Eout

def average_linreg_linear(N_pts,N_runs,ftarget,noise=0):
    average_Ein=0
    average_Eout=0
    for i in range(N_runs):
        exp=linreg_run_linear(N_pts,ftarget,noise=noise)
        average_Ein+=exp[1]

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```

        average_Eout+=exp[2]
    print("#####")
    print("Here's the result for N_runs=",N_runs,"with N_pts=",N_pts)
    print("Average Ein:",average_Ein/N_runs)
    print("Average Eout:",average_Eout/N_runs)

```

```
[13]: average_linreg_linear(1000,1000,f,noise=10)
```

```

#####
Here's the result for N_runs= 1000 with N_pts= 1000
Average Ein: 0.505258
Average Eout: 0.5248650000000001

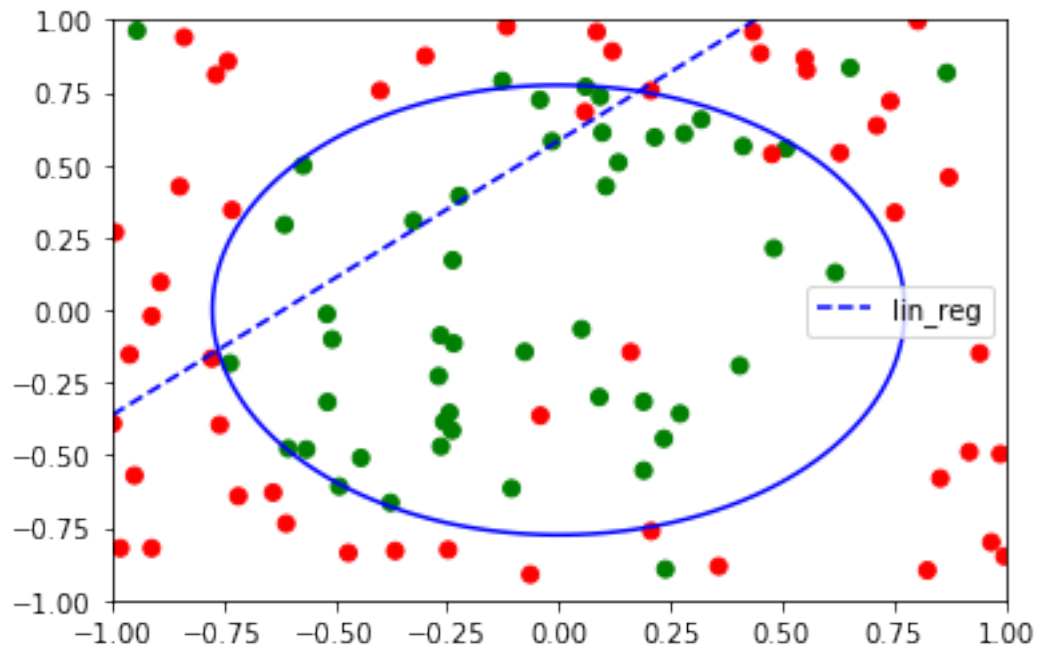
```

```

[14]: # Plotted Example

ex=linreg_run_linear(100,f,noise=10,plot=True)

```



## Problems 9-10

Answers: [a]  $g(x_1, x_2) = \text{sign}(-1 - 0.05x_1 + 0.08x_2 + 0.13x_1x_2 + 1.5x_1^2 + 1.5x_2^2)$ , [b] 0.1

Code:

```
[15]: def nonlin_transform(data):
        return np.column_stack((data[:,0],data[:,1],data[:,2],data[:,1]*data[:,
        →,2],data[:,1]**2,data[:,2]**2))

def Eout_estimate_nonlinear(ftarget,w,noise=0,Nval=1000):
    data,output=gen_bias_input(Nval,ftarget,noise=noise,plot=False)
    data=nonlin_transform(data)
    g=h(w,data)
    testg=(g==output)
    Eout=len(np.where(testg==False)[0])
    return Eout/Nval

def h(w,data):
    return np.sign(np.dot(w,data.T))

def linreg_run_nonlinear(N_pts,ftarget,noise=0,plot=False):

    #Generating non-linearly separable points
    points,y=gen_bias_input(N_pts,ftarget,noise=noise,plot=plot)

    #Transform data into non-linear feature vector
    data=nonlin_transform(points)

    #Computing linear regression weights
    w=linear_regression_w(data,y)

    #Ein computation
    g=h(w,data)
    testg=(g==y)
    Ein=len(np.where(testg==False)[0])/N_pts

    #Eout computation
    Eout=Eout_estimate_nonlinear(ftarget,w,noise=noise)

    #Plot
    if(plot==True):
        x1=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        x2=np.linspace(-1,1,100)
        x1,x2=np.meshgrid(x1,x2)
        plt.
        →contour(x1,x2,w[0]+w[1]*x1+w[2]*x2+w[3]*x1*x2+w[4]*x1**2+w[5]*x2**2,[0],colors='blue',linesty
        plt.show
```

```

    return w, Ein, Eout

def average_linreg_nonlinear(N_pts,N_runs,ftarget,noise=0):
    sum_Ein=0
    sum_Eout=0
    sum_w=np.zeros(6)
    for i in range(N_runs):
        exp=linreg_run_nonlinear(N_pts,ftarget,noise=noise)
        sum_w+=exp[0]
        sum_Ein+=exp[1]
        sum_Eout+=exp[2]
    av_w=sum_w/N_runs
    av_Ein=sum_Ein/N_runs
    av_Eout=sum_Eout/N_runs
    print("#####")
    print("Here's the result for N_runs=",N_runs,"with N_pts=",N_pts)
    print("Average weights:",av_w)
    print("Average Ein:", av_Ein)
    print("Average Eout:",sum_Eout/N_runs)
    return av_w,av_Ein,av_Eout

def check_weights(av_w,given_w,name='Insert name',Nval=1000):
    points=gen_points_2d_bias(Nval)
    data=nonlin_transform(points)
    g_av=h(av_w,data)
    g_given=h(given_w,data)
    testg=(g_av==g_given)
    P_agree=len(np.where(testg==True)[0])
    print('The function',name,'agrees with the solution of Linear Regression_
    ↳with a probability of',P_agree/Nval)
    return P_agree/Nval

```

```
[16]: w,Ein,Eout=average_linreg_nonlinear(1000,1000,f,noise=10)
```

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#####
Here's the result for N_runs= 1000 with N_pts= 1000
Average weights: [-9.92570638e-01 -7.26949696e-04  3.68746671e-03
9.20842355e-04
 1.56513471e+00  1.55346432e+00]
Average Ein: 0.12367900000000003
Average Eout: 0.125895

```

```
[17]: g1=np.array([-1,-0.05,0.08,0.13,1.5,1.5])
g2=np.array([-1,-0.05,0.08,0.13,1.5,15])
g3=np.array([-1,-0.05,0.08,0.13,15,1.5])
g4=np.array([-1,-1.5,0.08,0.13,0.05,0.05])

```

```
g5=np.array([-1,-0.05,0.08,1.5,0.15,0.15])
```

```
t1=check_weights(w,g1,'[a]')
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t2=check_weights(w,g2,'[b]')
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```
t3=check_weights(w,g3,'[c]')
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```
t4=check_weights(w,g4,'[d]')
```

```
t5=check_weights(w,g5,'[e]')
```

The function [a] agrees with the solution of Linear Regression with a probability of 0.974

The function [b] agrees with the solution of Linear Regression with a probability of 0.662

The function [c] agrees with the solution of Linear Regression with a probability of 0.663

The function [d] agrees with the solution of Linear Regression with a probability of 0.64

The function [e] agrees with the solution of Linear Regression with a probability of 0.573

```
[18]: # Plotted Example
```

```
ex=linreg_run_nonlinear(100,f,noise=10,plot=True)
```

