

Statistics and Data Analysis

Unit 04 – Lecture 09: Case Study: End-to-End Regression Workflow

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<https://github.com/tali7c/Statistics-and-Data-Analysis>

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Exercise 1: Metric choice

Target is continuous (price). Should you use accuracy?

Solution 1

- No; accuracy is for classification.

Exercise 2: Overfitting sign

Train RMSE=5, test RMSE=20. What does it suggest?

Solution 2

- Overfitting; try simpler model or regularization.

Exercise 3: Communication

Name one plot to communicate regression quality.

Solution 3

- Predicted vs actual scatter; residual plot.

Mini Demo (Python)

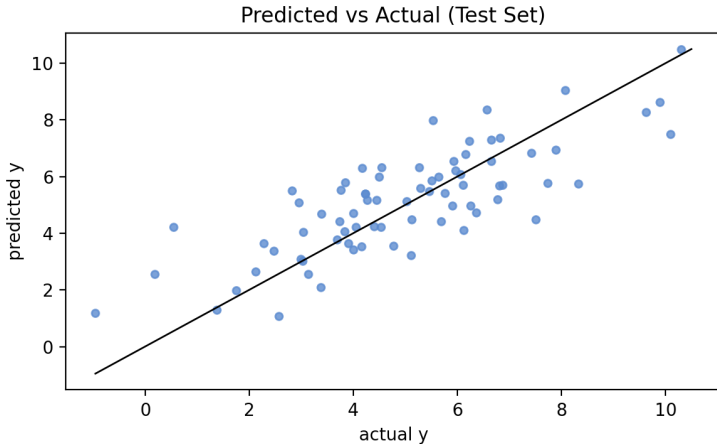
Run from the lecture folder:

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python demo/demo.py
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Outputs:

- images/demo.png
- data/results.txt

Demo Output (Example)



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Exit Question

What would you do first if the case study model performs poorly on the test set?