



Multiple Regression

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1.

Which of the following is **NOT** a **linear** regression model. *Hint: remember that a linear regression model is always linear in the parameters, but may use non-linear features.*

- ☐ $y = w_0 + w_1 * x$
- ☐ $y = w_0 + w_1 * (x^2)$
- ☐ $y = w_0 + w_1 * \log(x)$
- ☐ $y = w_0 * w_1 + \log(w_1) * x$

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2.

Your estimated model for predicting house prices has a large positive weight on 'square feet living'. This implies that if we remove the feature 'square feet living' and refit the model, the new predictive performance will be **worse** than before.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False
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3.

Complete the following: Your estimated model for predicting house prices has a positive weight on 'square feet living'. You then add 'lot size' to the model and re-estimate the feature weights. The new weight on 'square feet living' [_____] be positive.

- ☒ will not
- ☐ will definitely
- ☐ might
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4.

If you double the value of a given feature (i.e. a specific column of the feature matrix), what happens to the least-squares estimated coefficients for every **other** feature? (assume you have no other feature that depends on the doubled feature i.e. no interaction terms).

- ☐ They double
 - ☐ They halve
 - ☐ They stay the same
 - ☐ It is impossible to tell from the information provided
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5.

Gradient descent/ascent is...

- ☐ A model for predicting a continuous variable
 - ☐ An algorithm for minimizing/maximizing a function
 - ☐ A theoretical statistical result
 - ☐ An approximation to simple linear regression
 - ☐ A modeling technique in machine learning
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6.

Gradient descent/ascent allows us to...

- ☐ Predict a value based on a fitted function
 - ☐ Estimate model parameters from data
 - ☐ Assess performance of a model on test data
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7.

Which of the following statements about step-size in gradient descent is/are **TRUE** (select all that apply)

- ☐ It's important to choose a very small step-size
 - ☐ The step-size doesn't matter
 - ☐ If the step-size is too large gradient descent may not converge
 - ☐ If the step size is too small (but not zero) gradient descent may take a very long time to converge
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8.

Let's analyze how many computations are required to fit a multiple linear regression model *using the closed-form solution* based on a data set with 50 observations and 10 features. In the videos, we said that computing the inverse of the 10×10 matrix $(H^T)H$ was on the order of D^3 operations. Let's focus on forming this matrix **prior** to inversion. How many multiplications are required to form the matrix $(H^T)H$?

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More generally, if you have D features and N observations what is the total complexity of computing $((H^T)H)^{-1}$?

- ☐ $O(D^3)$
- ☐ $O(ND^3)$
- ☐ $O(ND^2 + D^3)$
- ☐ $O(ND^2)$
- ☐ $O(N^2D + D^3)$
- ☐ $O(N^2D)$

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