

Machine Learning
Linear Regression

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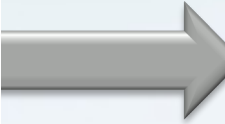
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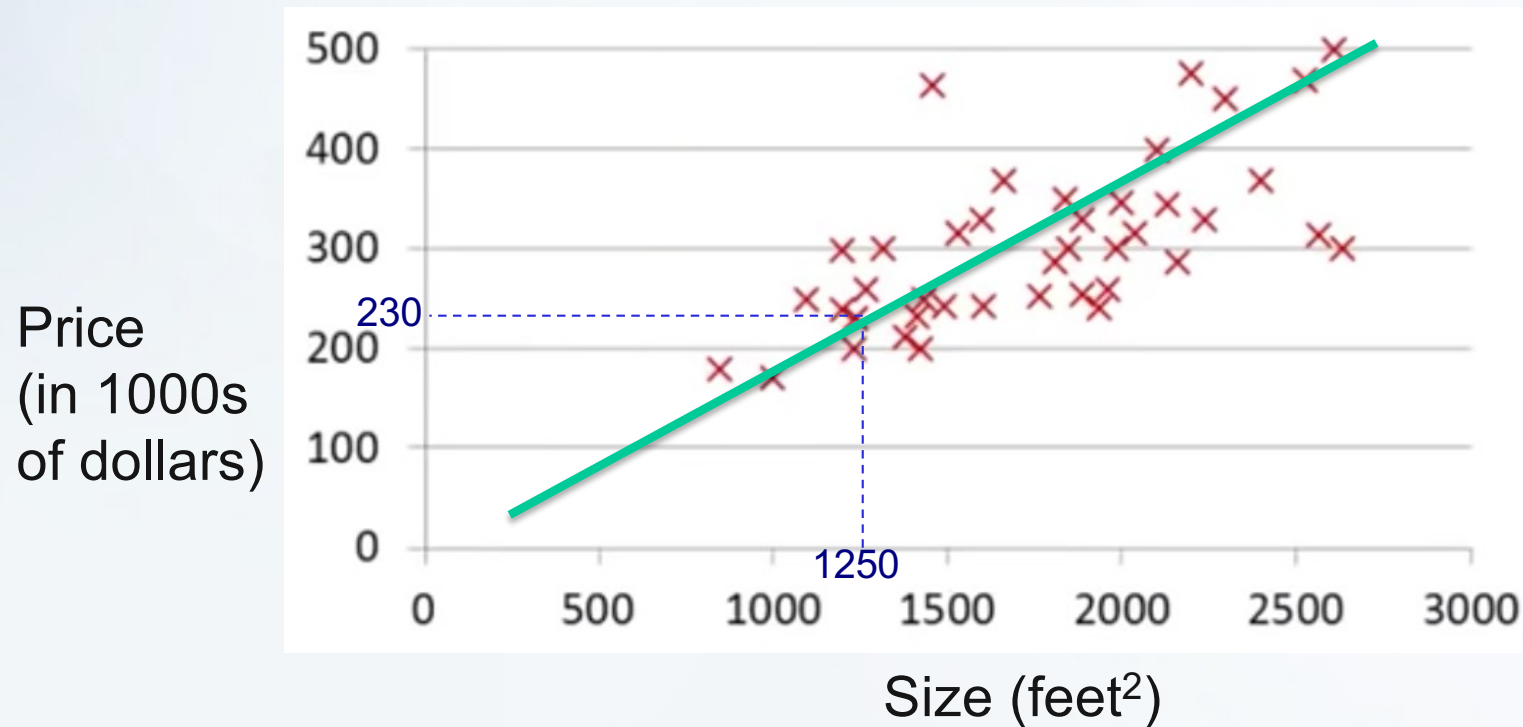
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Motivation

Given the following **housing prices**,



How much a house of 1250ft² costs?

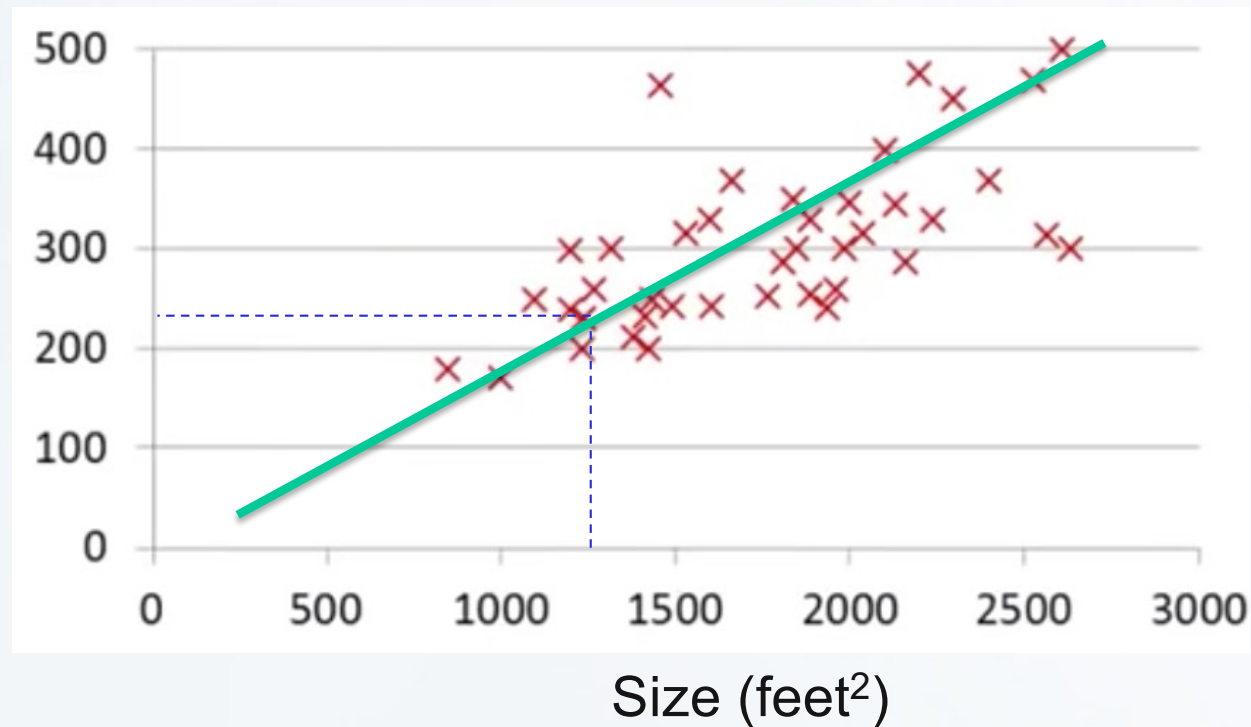
We may assume a linear curve,

So, conclude that a house with 1250ft² costs 230K\$.

Motivation

Given the following **housing prices**

Price
(in 1000s
of dollars)



Supervised Learning:

Given the right answers for each example in the data (training data)

Regression Problem:

Predict real-valued output

Remember that classification (not regression) refers to predicting discrete-valued output

Motivation

Given the following **training set** of housing prices:

Our job is to learn from this data how to predict prices

Size in feet ² (x)	Price (\$) in 1000s (y)
2104	460
1416	232
1534	315
852	178
...	...

Notation:

m = Number of training examples

x 's = "input" variable/features

y 's = output variable/target variable

(x, y) : a training example

(x^i, y^i) : the i^{th} training example

For example:


$$x^1 = 2104$$

$$y^1 = 460$$

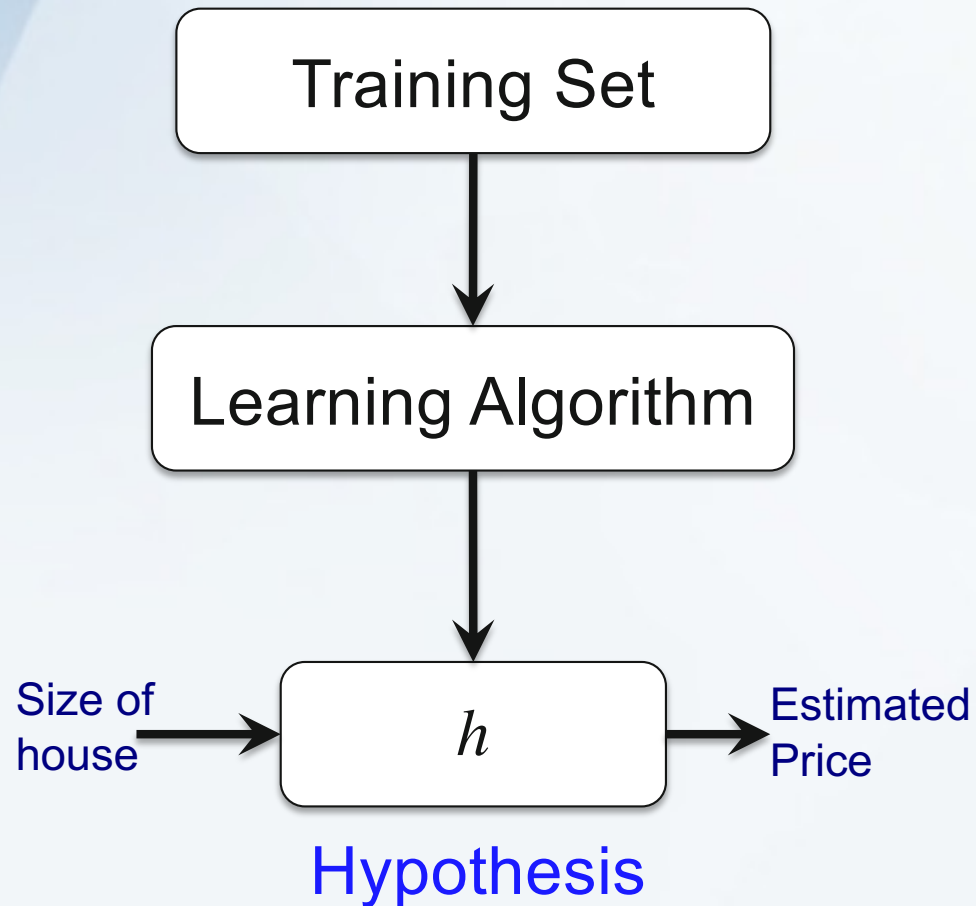
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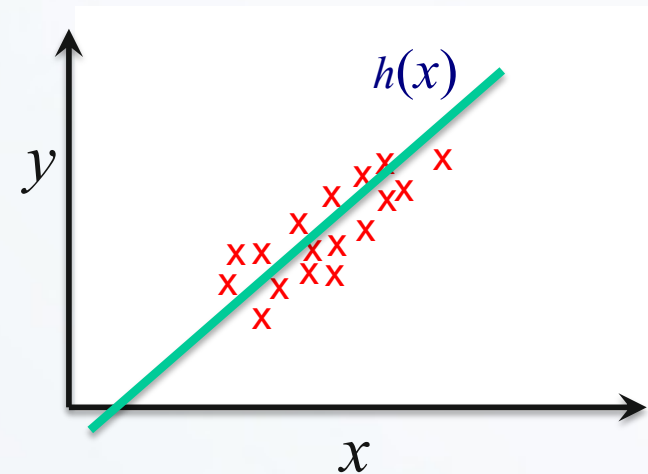
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h maps x 's to y 's

How to represent h ?

$$h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$



- This is a linear function.
- Also called linear regression with one variable.

Linear Regression with Multiple Features

Linear regression with multiple features is also called *multiple linear regression*

Suppose we have the following features

x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4	y
Size ft ²	bedrooms	floors	Age	Price
2104	5	1	45	460
1416	3	2	40	232
1534	3	2	30	315
852	2	1	36	178
...

A hypothesis function $h(x)$ might be:

$$h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 + \dots + \theta_n x_n$$

or
$$h(x) = \theta_0 x_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_3 + \dots + \theta_n x_n \quad (x_0=1)$$

e.g.,
$$h(x) = 80 + 0.1 \cdot x_1 + 0.01 \cdot x_2 + 3 \cdot x_3 - 2 \cdot x_4$$

Polynomial Regression

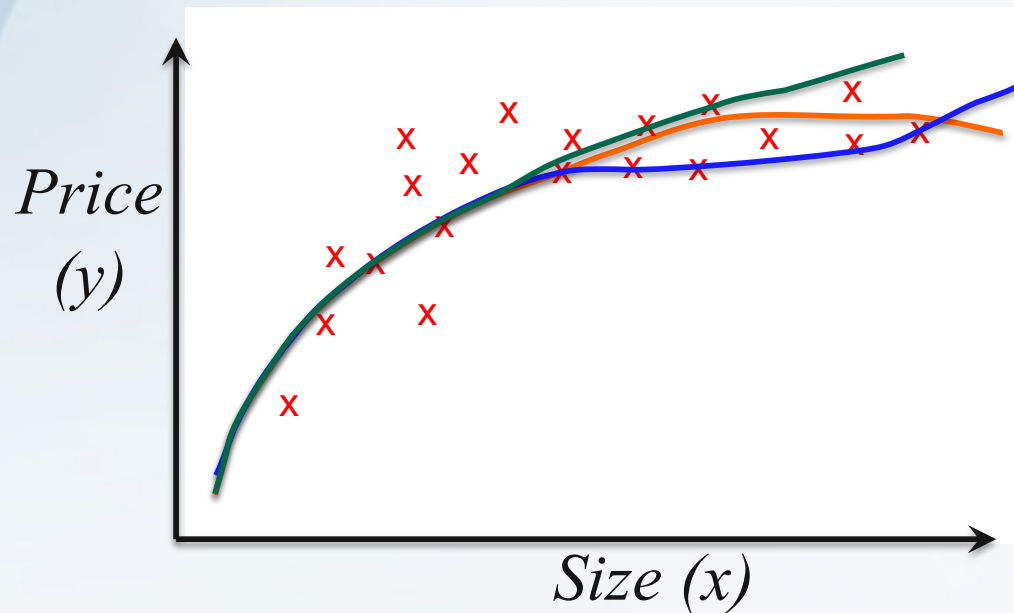
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Another hypothesis function $h(x)$ might be (*polynomial*):

$$h(x) = \theta_0 x_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2^2 + \theta_3 x_3^3 + \dots + \theta_n x_n^n \quad (x_0=1)$$

Polynomial Regression



$$h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1x + \theta_2x^2$$

$$h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1x + \theta_2\sqrt{x}$$


$$h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1x + \theta_2x^2 + \theta_3x^3$$

- We may combine features (e.g., size = width * depth).
- We have the option of what features and what models (quadratic, cubic,...) to use.
- Deciding which features and models that best fit our data and application, is beyond the scope of this course, but there are several algorithms for this.

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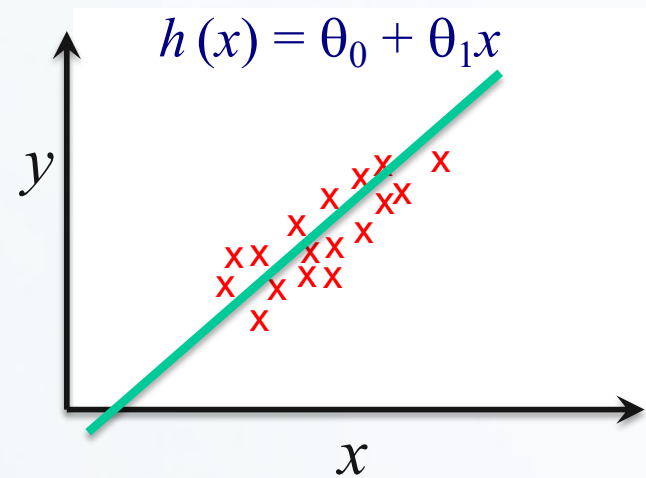
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Understanding θ s Values

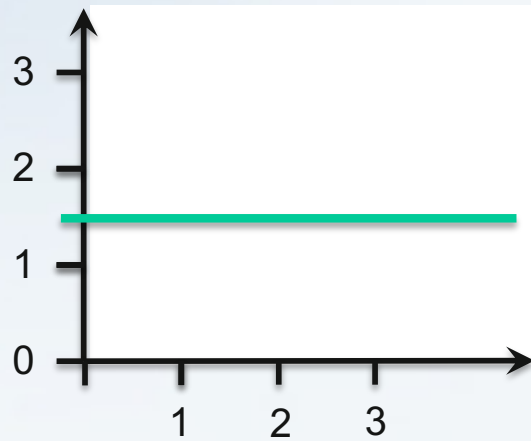
θ_i 's: Parameters

How to choose θ_i 's?



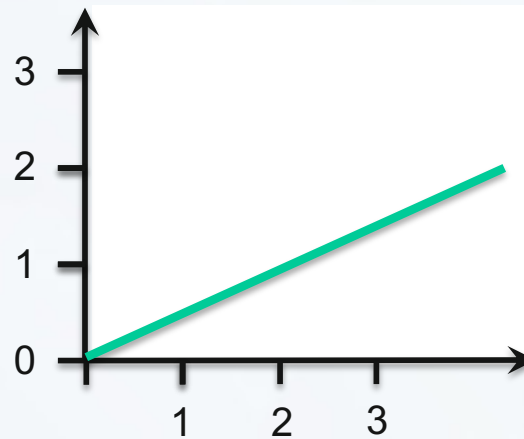
Understanding θ s Values

$$h(x) = 1.5 + 0 \cdot x$$



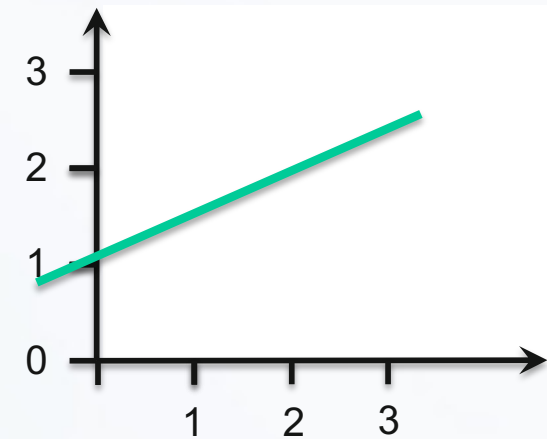
$$\theta_0 = 1.5$$
$$\theta_1 = 0$$

$$h(x) = 0 + 0.5x$$



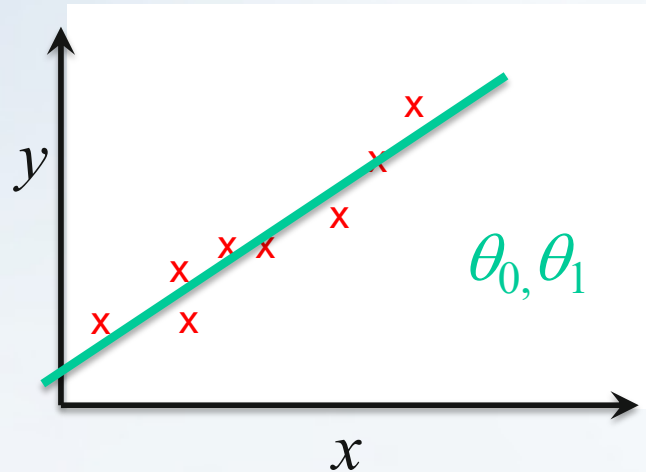
$$\theta_0 = 0$$
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$$h(x) = 1 + 0.5x$$



$$\theta_0 = 1$$
$$\theta_1 = 0.5$$

The Cost Function



Idea: Choose θ_0, θ_1 so that $h(x)$ is close to y for our training examples (x, y) .

y : is the actual value.

$h(x)$: is the estimated value.

The **Cost Function** J aims to find θ_0, θ_1 that minimizes the error.

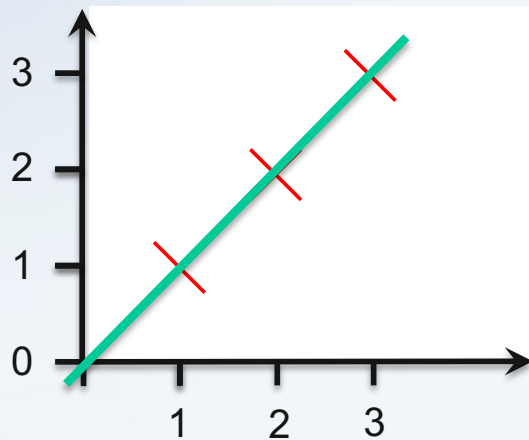
$$J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h(x^i) - y^i)^2$$

This cost function is also called a **Squared Error function**

Undersetting the Cost Function

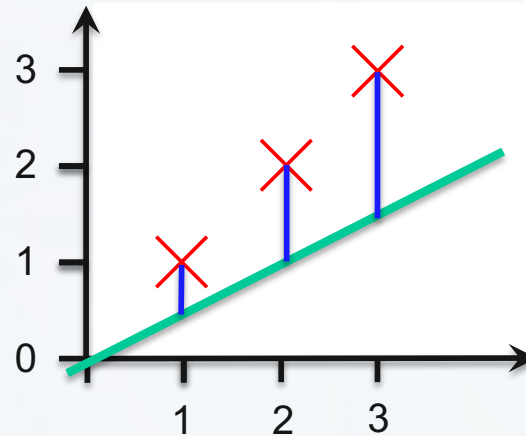
Lets try different values of θ_s and see how the cost function $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$ behave!

$J(0,1)$



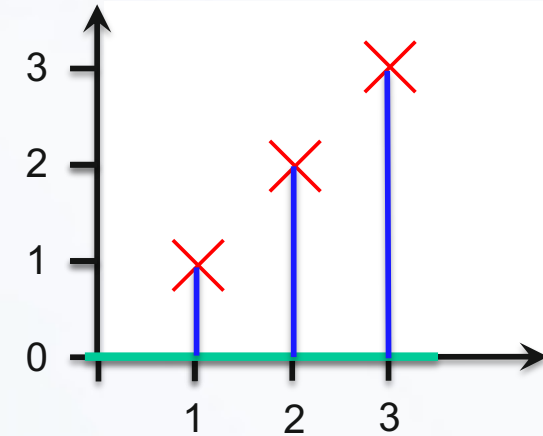
$$J(1) = 1/2 \cdot 3 [(0)^2 + (0)^2(0)^2] = 0$$

$J(0,0.5)$



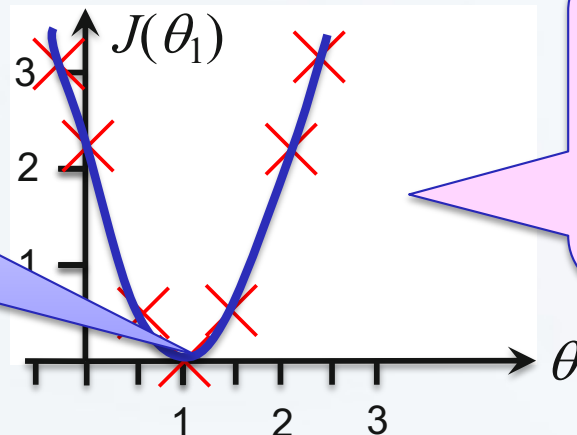
$$J(0.5) = 1/2 \cdot 3 [(0.5-1)^2 + (1-2)^2(1.5-3)^2] \approx 0.68$$

$J(0,0)$



$$J(0) = 1/2 \cdot 3 [(1)^2 + (2)^2(3)^2] \approx 2.3$$

Given our training data, this is the best value of θ_1 .



But this figure plots only θ_1 , the problem becomes complicated if we have also (θ_0, θ_1)

Cost Function Intuition II

Remember that our goal is find the minimum values of θ_0 and θ_1

Hypothesis: $h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1$

Parameters: θ_0, θ_1

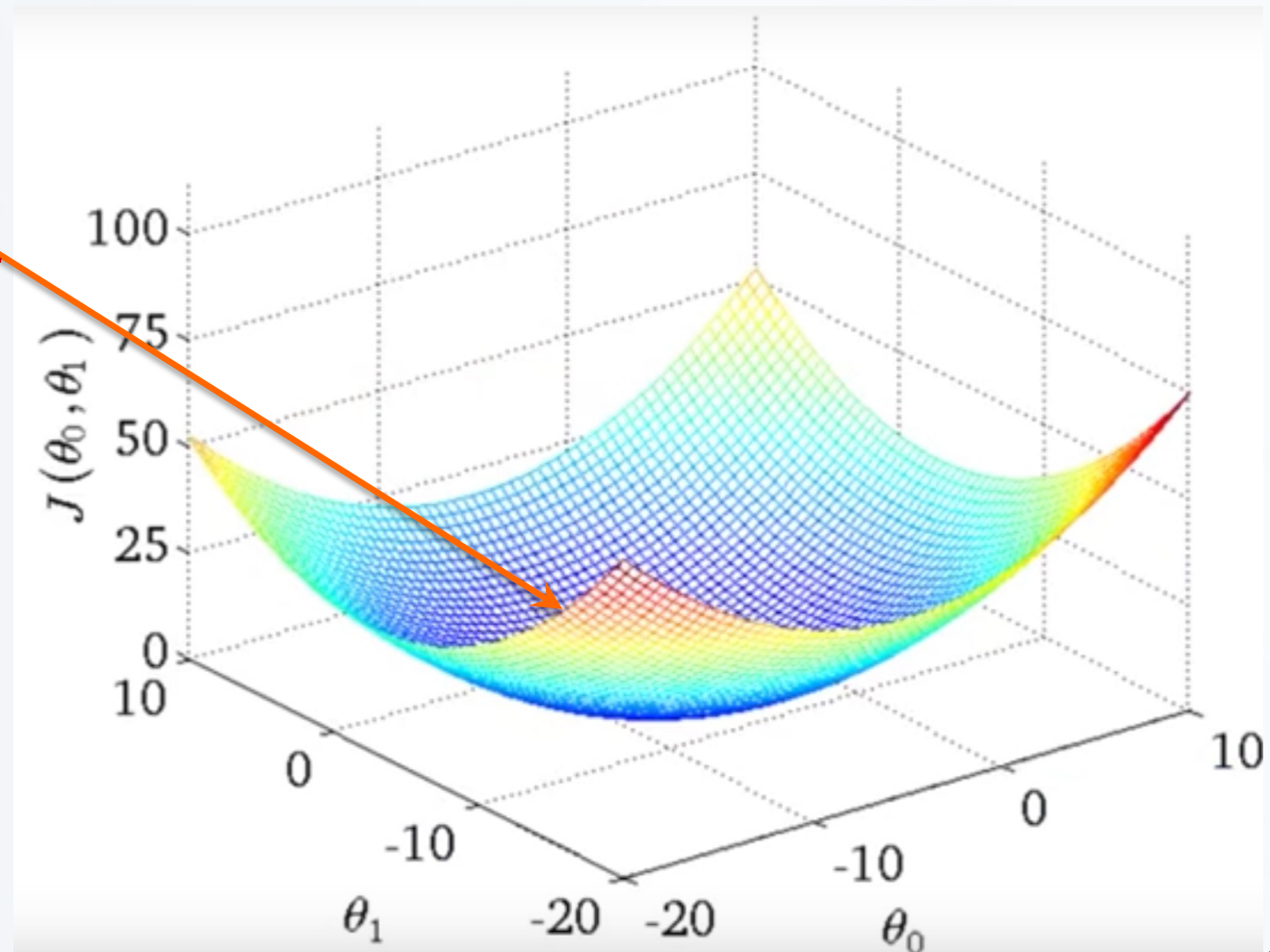
Cost Function: $J(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h(x^i) - y^i)^2$

Our Goal: minimize $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

Cost Function Intuition II

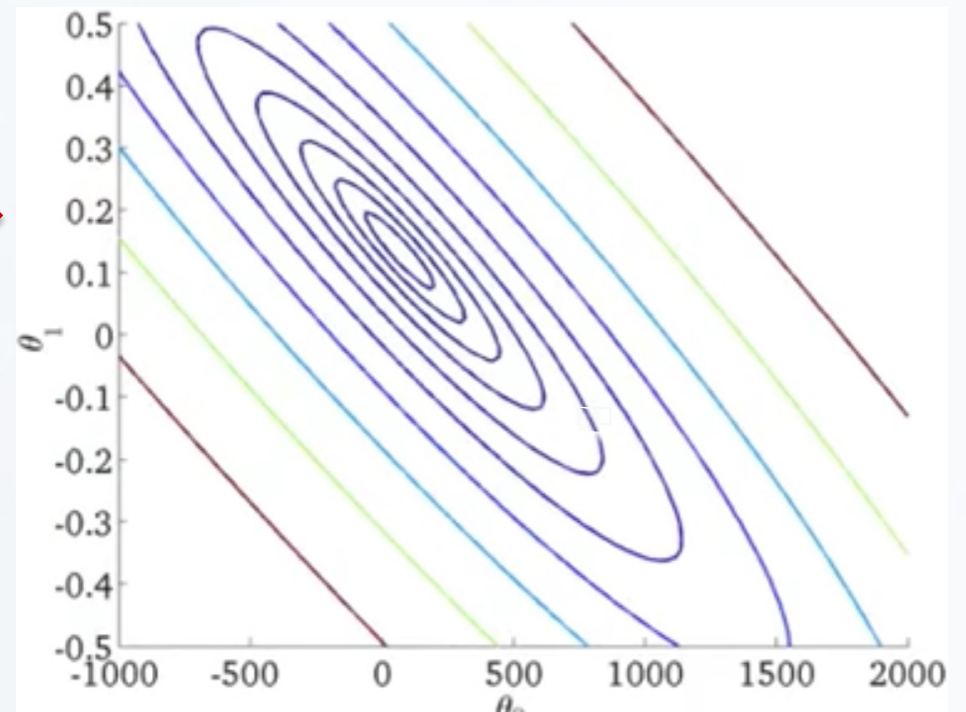
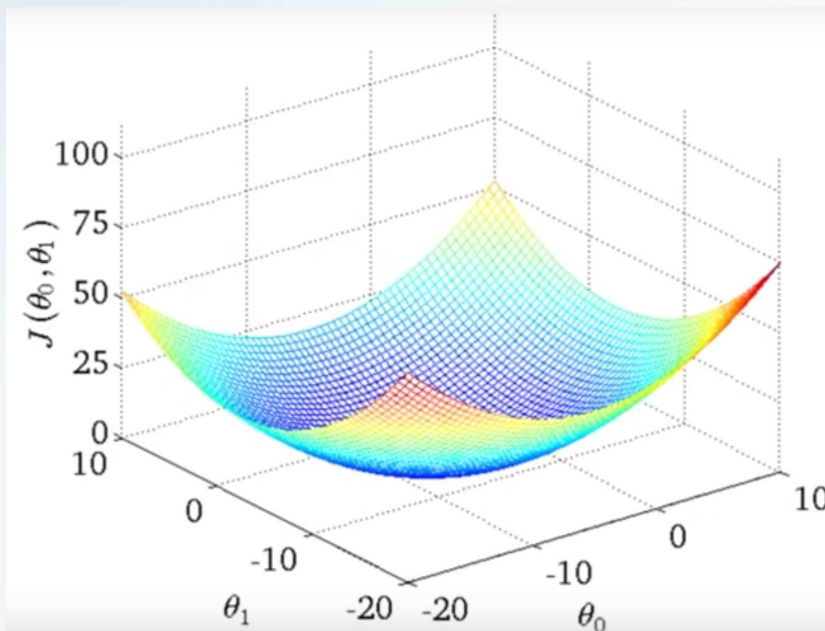
Given any dataset, when we try to draw the cost function $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$, we may get this 3D shape:

Given a dataset, our goal is find the minimum values of $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$



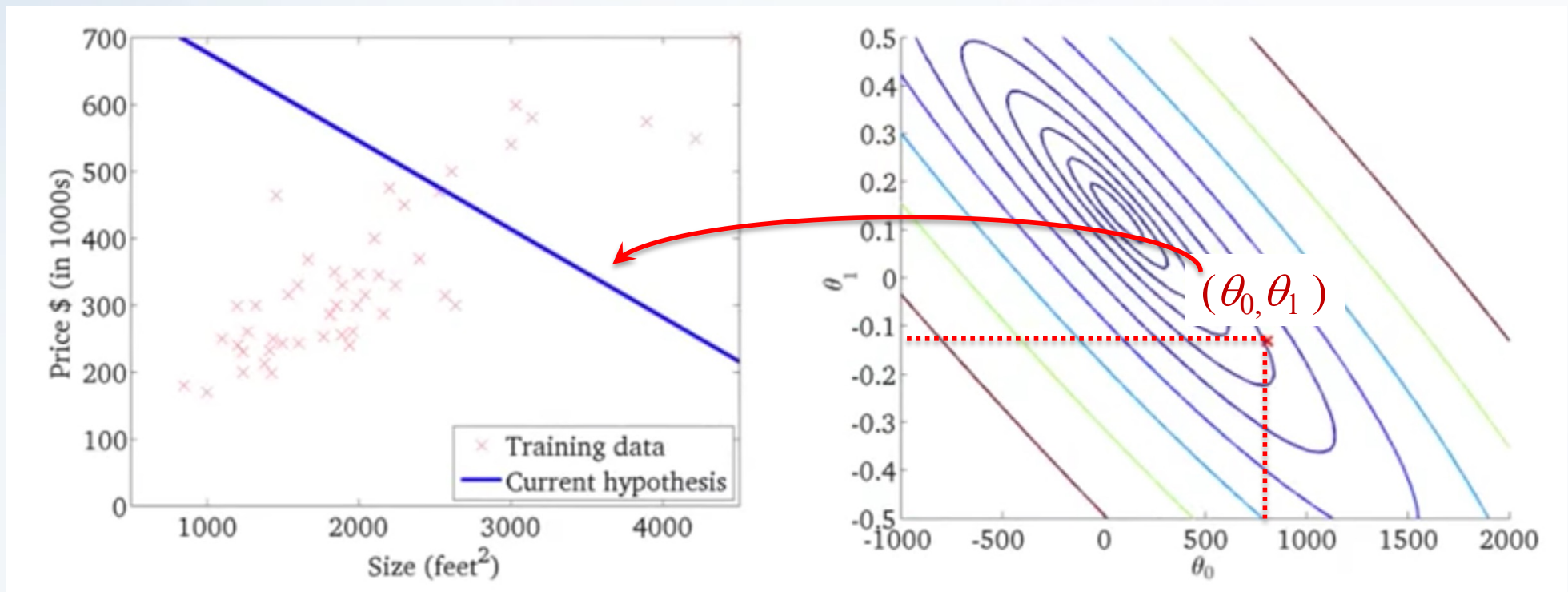
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We may draw the cost function also using contour figures:



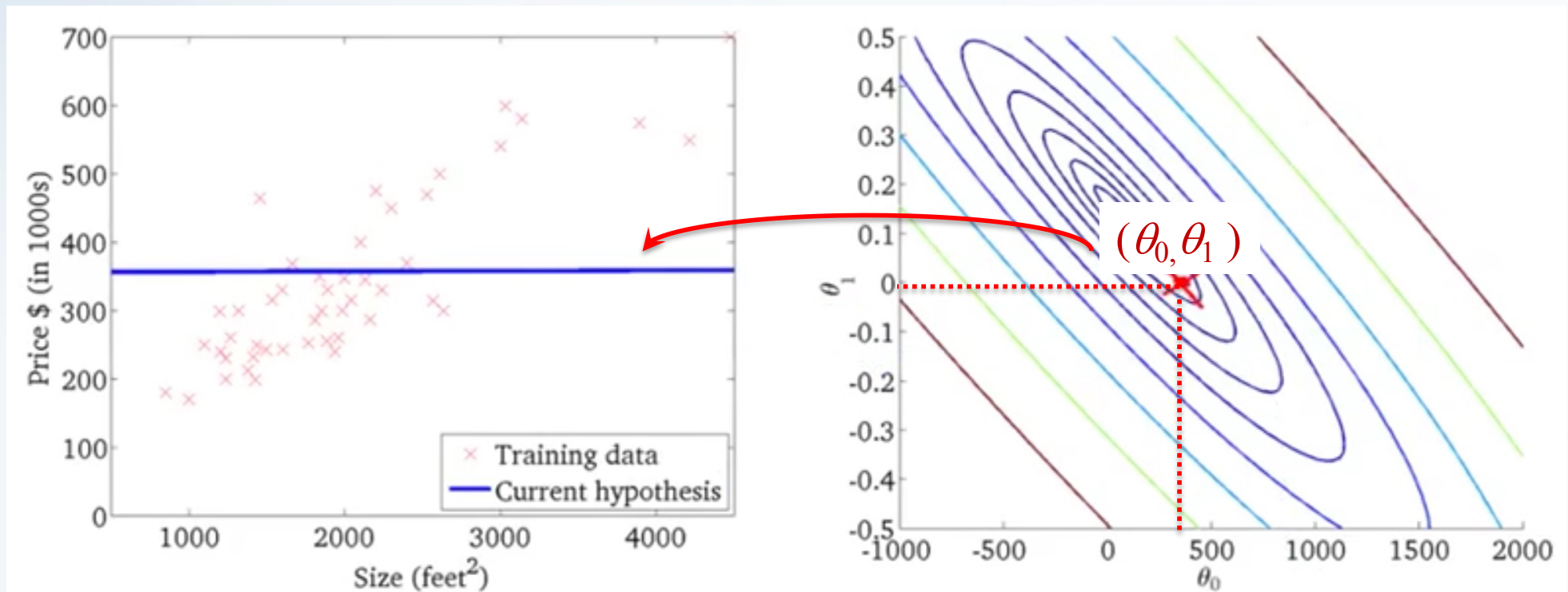
Cost Function Intuition II

$$h(x) = 800 + 0.15 \cdot x$$

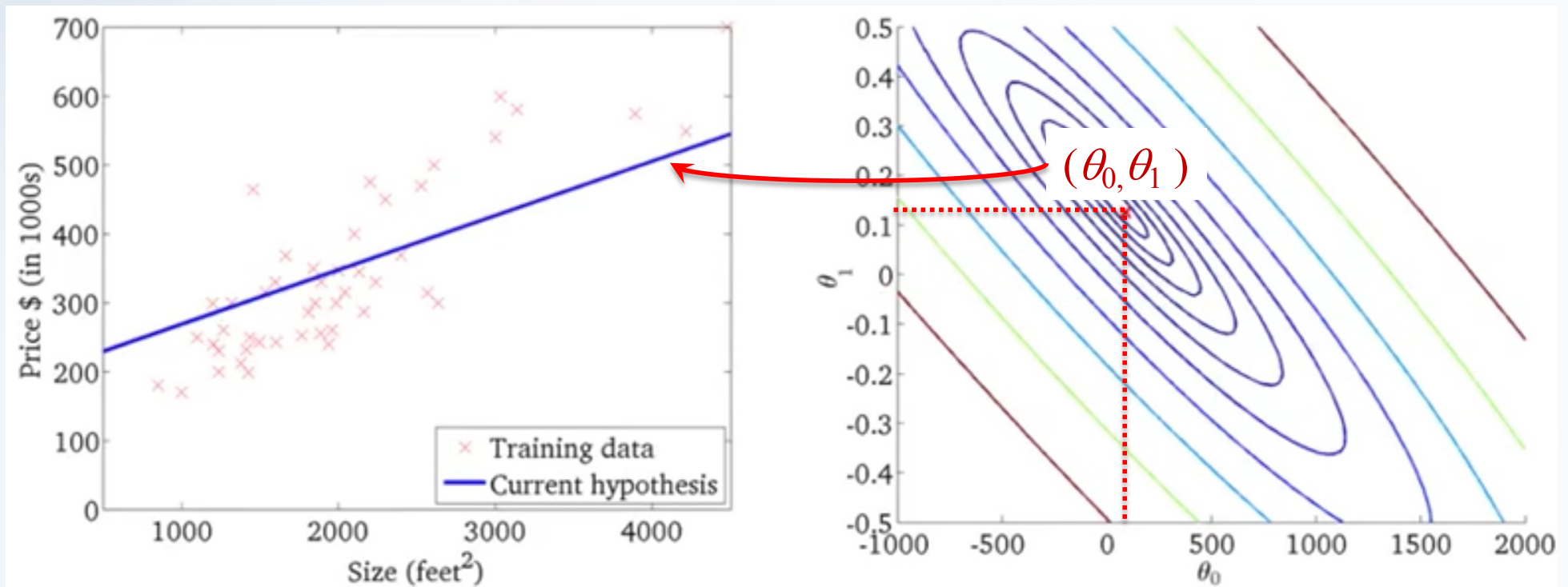


Cost Function Intuition II

$$h(x) = 360 + 0 \cdot x$$



Cost Function Intuition II




Is there any way/algorithm to find θ s *automatically*?
Yes, e.g., the **Gradient Descent Algorithm**

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The Gradient Descent Algorithm

Starts with some initial values of θ_0 and θ_1

Keep changing θ_0 and θ_1 to reduce $J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$

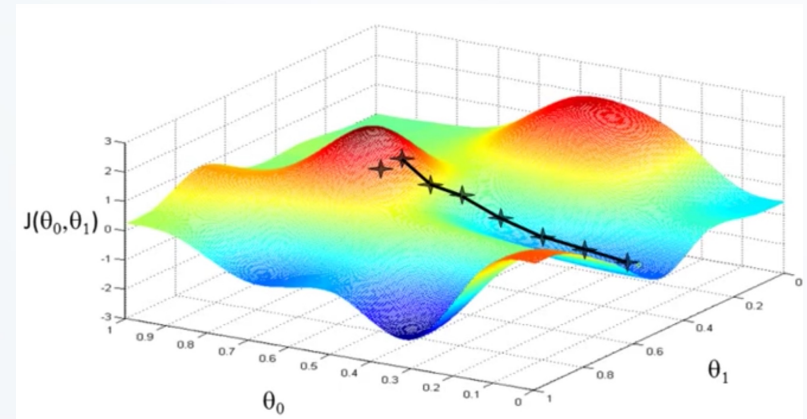
Until hopefully we end up at a minimum

J is 0 or 1

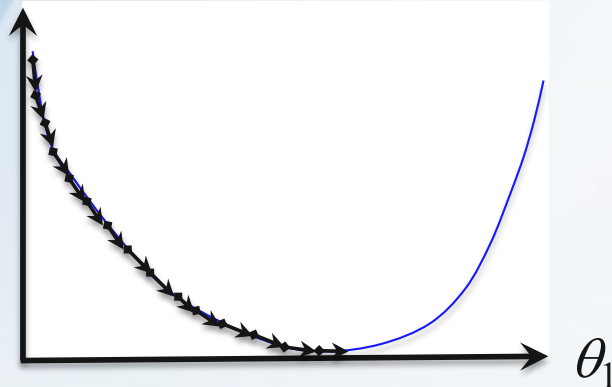
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Repeat until convergence {  
  Temp0 :=  $\theta_0 - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_0} \cdot J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$   
  Temp1 :=  $\theta_1 - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} \cdot J(\theta_0, \theta_1)$   
  
   $\theta_0 := Temp0$   
   $\theta_1 := Temp1$   
}
```

Learning
Rate

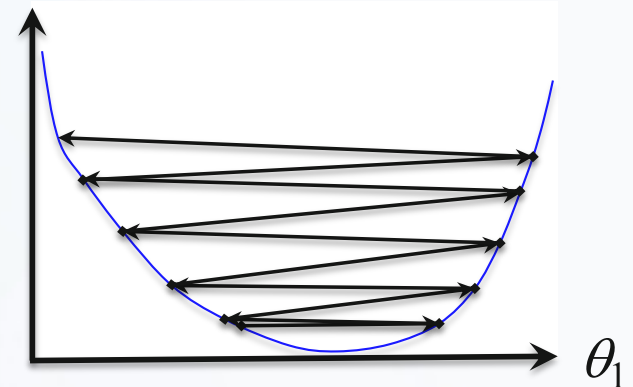
Partial
Derivation



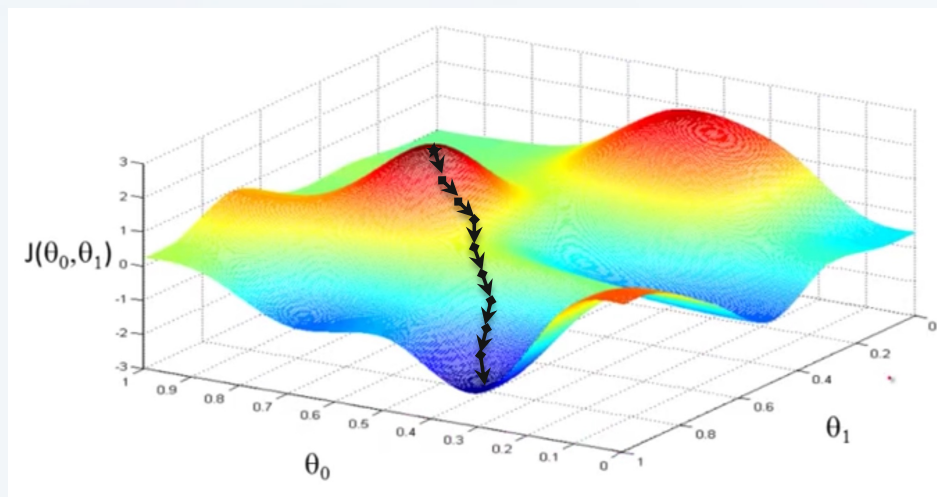
The Problem of the Gradient Descent algo.



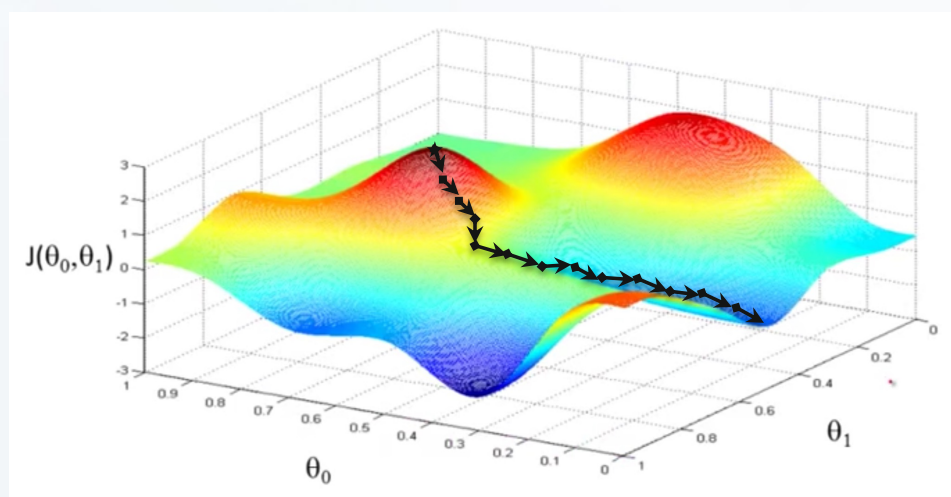
If α is too small, gradient descent can be slow



If α is too large, gradient descent can overshoot the minimum. It may fail to converge or even diverge



May converge to *global* minimum



May converge to a *local* minimum

The Gradient Descent for Linear Regression

Simplified version for linear regression

J is 0 and 1

Repeat until convergence {

$$\theta_0 := \theta_0 - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{m} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^m (h(x^i) - y^i)$$

$$\theta_1 := \theta_1 - \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{m} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^m (h(x^i) - y^i) \cdot x^i$$


}

Next, we will try to use Linear Algebra to *numerically* minimize θ_s (called **Normal Equation**) without needing to use iterating algorithms like Gradient Descent. However Gradient Descent scales better for bigger datasets.

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Minimizing θ_s numerically

Another way to numerically (using linear algebra) estimate the optimal values of θ_s .

Given the following features:

x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4	y
Size ft ²	bedrooms	floors	Age	Price
2104	5	1	45	460
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...

Convert the features and the target value into matrixes:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 2104 & 5 & 1 & 45 \\ 1416 & 3 & 2 & 40 \\ 1534 & 3 & 2 & 30 \\ 852 & 2 & 1 & 36 \end{bmatrix} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 460 \\ 232 \\ 315 \\ 178 \end{bmatrix}$$

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add x_0 , so to represent θ_0

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The Normal Equation

To obtain the optimal values (minimized) of θ_s ,
Use the following **Normal Equation**:

$$\theta = (X^T \cdot X)^{-1} \cdot X^T \cdot y$$

Where:

θ : the set of θ_s we want to minimize

X : the set of features in the training set

y : the output values we try to predict

X^T : the transpose of X

X^{-1} : the inverse of X

In Octave: `pinv(X' * X) * X' * y`

Gradient Descent Vs Normal Equation

m training examples, n features

Gradient Descent

- Needs to choose the learning rate (α)
- Needs many iterations
- Works well even when n is large

Normal Equation


- No need to choose (α)
- Don't need to iterate
- Need to compute $(X^T X)$, which takes about $O(n^3)$
- Slow if n is very large
- Some matrices (e.g., singular) are non-invertible

Recommendation: use the Normal Equation if the number of features is less than 1000, otherwise the Gradient Descent.

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Matrix Vector Multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$1 \times 1 + 3 \times 5 = 16$$

$$4 \times 1 + 0 \times 5 = 4$$

$$2 \times 1 + 1 \times 5 = 7$$

Matrix Matrix Multiplication

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 10 \\ 9 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

Multiple with the first column

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Multiple with the second column

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix Inverse

If A is an $m \times m$ matrix, and if it has an inverse, then

$$A \times A^{-1} = A^{-1} \times A = I$$

The multiplication of a matrix with its inverse produce an identity matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.1 \\ -0.05 & 0.075 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Some matrices do not have inverses e.g., if all cells are zeros
For more, please review Linear Algebra

Matrix Transpose

Example:


$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix, and let $B = A^T$
Then B is an $n \times m$ matrix, and $B_{ij} = A_{ji}$

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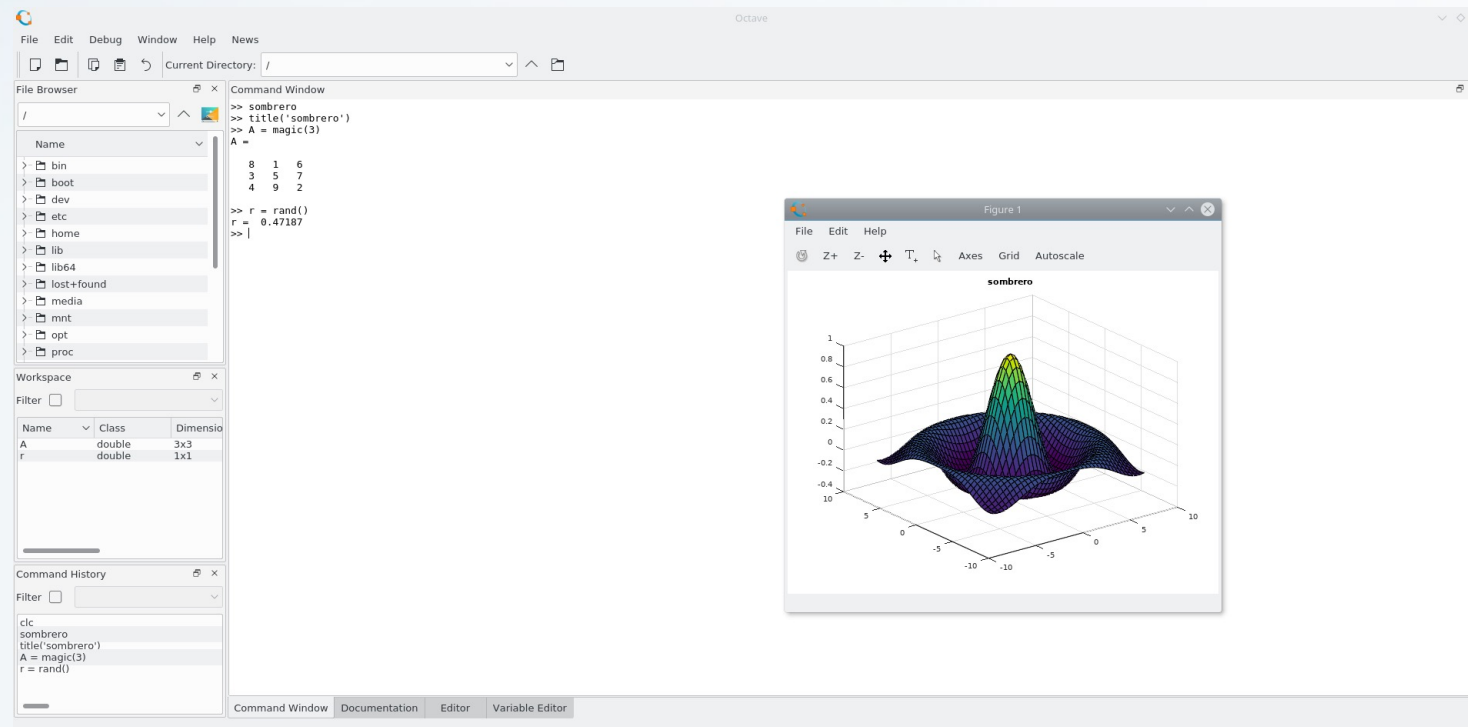
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Octave



- Download from <https://www.gnu.org/software/octave/>
- High-level Scientific Programming Language
- Free alternatives to (and compatible with) Matlab
- helps in solving linear and nonlinear problems numerically



Online Tutorial <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnnr1O8OWc6aAjSc50lzzPVWgjzucZsSD>

Compute the normal equation using Octave

Given

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In Octave:

```
load X.txt
load y.txt
C= pinv(X'*X)*X' *y
Save  $\theta$ .txt
```

$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 188.4 \\ 0.4 \\ -56 \\ -93 \\ -3.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

These are the values of θ s we need to use in our hypothesis function $h(x)$


$$h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1x + \theta_2x + \theta_3x + \theta_4x$$

$$h(x) = 188.4 + 0.4x_1 - 56x_2 - 93x_3 - 3.7x_4$$

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R (programming language)



Free software environment for statistical computing and graphics that is supported by the R Foundation for Statistical Computing.

R comes with many functions that can do sophisticated stuff, and the ability to install additional packages to do much more.

Download R: <https://cran.r-project.org/>

A very good IDE for R is the RStudio:

<https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/>

R basics tutorial:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjgj6kdf_snYBkIsWQYcYtUZiDpam7ygg

Compute the normal equation using R

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In R:

```
X = as.matrix(read.table("~/x.txt", header=F, sep=", "))
Y = as.matrix(read.table("~/y.txt", header=F, sep=", "))

thetas = solve( t(X) %*% X ) %*% t(X) %*% Y

write.table(thetas, file="~/thetas.txt",
            row.names=F, col.names=F)
```

$t(X)$: is the transpose of matrix X.

$solve(X)$: is the inverse of matrix X.

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Part 9: **Using Python**

Python (programming language)

Slides by Osaïd Abu-alrub

Python is an easy to learn, powerful programming language. It has efficient high-level data structures and a simple but effective approach to object-oriented programming.

Python comes with a very good community that provides a lot of libraries like Pandas and Numpy that help with statistical calculations.

A very good IDE for Python (python comes with it):

<https://www.anaconda.com/products/individual>

Python tutorial: <https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/>

Compute the normal equation using Python

Slides by Osaid Abu-alrub

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In Python:

```
import pandas as pd # to read data file
import numpy as np # to calculate thetas
##### if data in file
# dataset = pd.read_csv("data.csv") # read data file
# x = dataset[["x0","x1","x2","x3","x4"]].values # features
# y = dataset[["y"]].values # target value
#####
X = np.c_[[1,1,1,1],[2104,1416,1534,852],[5,3,3,2],[1,2,2,1],[45,40,30,36]] # features
Y = np.c_[[460,232,315,178]] # target value
thetas = np.array(np.linalg.lstsq(X, Y,rcond=None)) # calculate thetas using normal eq.
print(thetas[0]) # print answer
```

Linear Regression using Python

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Given

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2104 & 5 & 1 & 45 \\ 1 & 1416 & 3 & 2 & 40 \\ 1 & 1534 & 3 & 2 & 30 \\ 1 & 852 & 2 & 1 & 36 \end{bmatrix} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 460 \\ 232 \\ 315 \\ 178 \end{bmatrix}$$

In Python:

```
import pandas as pd # to read data file
import numpy as np # to calculate thetas
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
# from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split (not needed because this is a really
small dataset)
X = np.c_[[1,1,1,1],[2104,1416,1534,852],[5,3,3,2],[1,2,2,1],[45,40,30,36]] # features
Y = np.c_[[460,232,315,178]] #target value
# X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test = train_test_split(X, Y, test_size=0.30,random_state=0)
use when dataset is big
model = LinearRegression() # Get model
model.fit(X,Y) # training model (exchange (X,Y) with (X_train,Y_train) when using real
datasets)
print(model.coef_) # print parameters (coefficients)
```

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Normal Equation:

<https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1X4pGEQKAD08yHURIdDsyDxOf4gNFRW?usp=sharing>

Linear Regression:

<https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1J4d0nUj-8YYLI6WnuKbeReQWu6upcMQ4?usp=sharing>

Link To Dataset:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1itPP_ZrIYXFDtToIC4Mh_YXMZ-tkpu5r/view?usp=sharing

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