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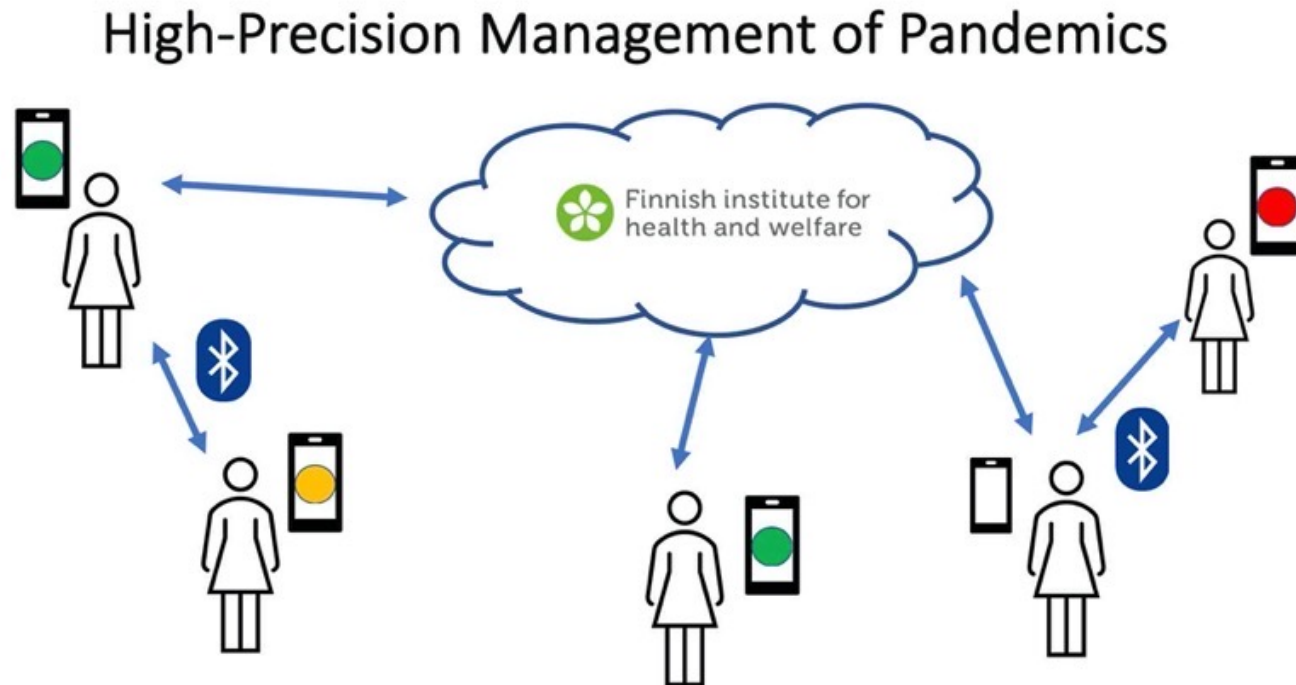
Special course in Machine learning and Data science:
Networked Federated Learning

- grading based on Exercises.
- exam: discussion of exercises (in person or zoom).

About Me.

- MSc (2008) and Ph.D. (2012) in EE, TU Vienna
- since 2015 Ass. Prof. for Machine Learning at Aalto/CS
- leading group “Machine Learning for Big Data”
- 2020- Associate Editor for IEEE Signal Processing Letters
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RA1: Networked Federated Learning.

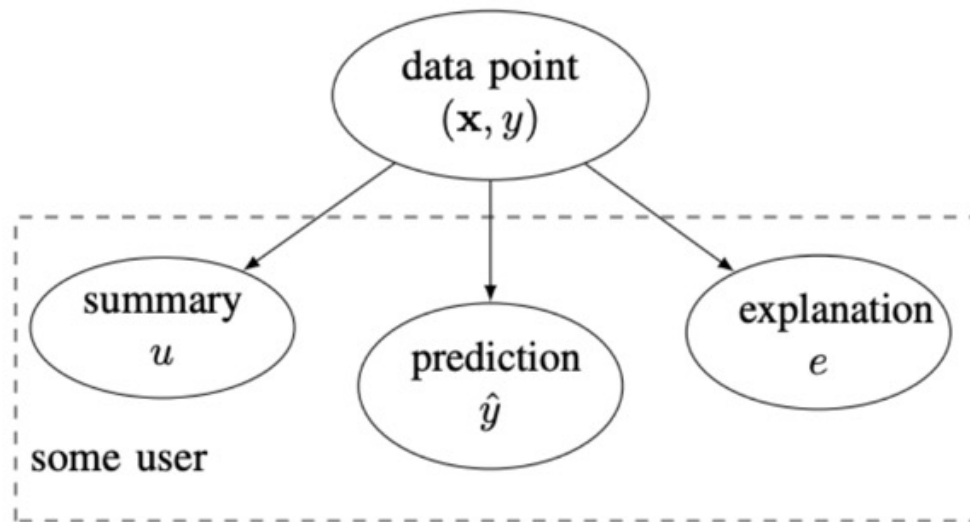


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AJ, N. Tran, "Localized Linear Regression in Networked Data," in IEEE SPL, 2019, doi: 10.1109/LSP.2019.2918933.

RA2: Explainable Machine Learning.



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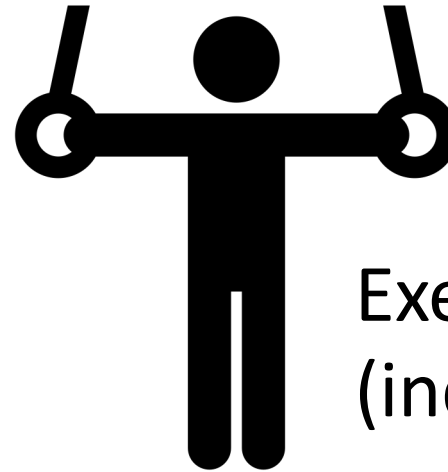
- relevant example of training set
- subset of features
- counterfactuals
- a free text explanation
- court sentence

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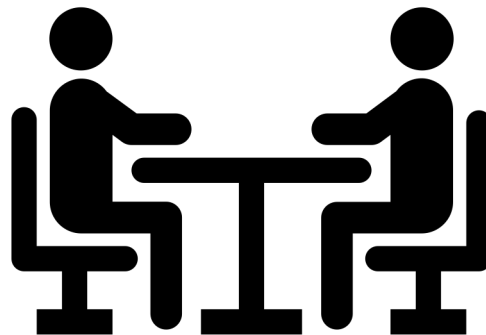
School Format.



Lectures
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Exercises
(independent work)



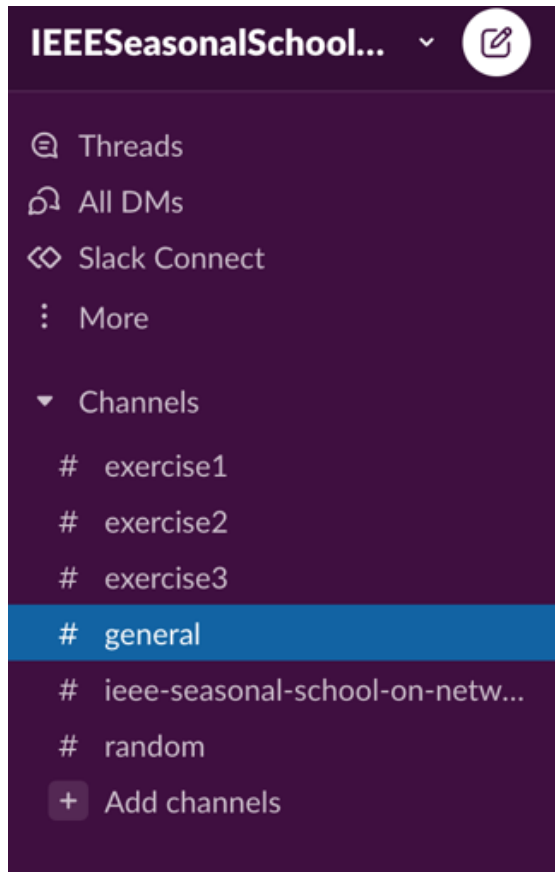
Discussion Forum
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hall: <https://aalto.zoom.us/j/64034033878?pwd=ayt4aDNyaEVSSGt1eHNNZGVFR2RoZz09>

- Tue, 11:00-13:00, [Basics of spectral graph theory](#), Prof. Avratchenkov
- We, 10:00-11:00, [Parallel/distributed methods for state-space models](#), Prof. Särkkä
- We, 12:30-13:30, [Compact and Efficient Neural Networks, Steps Towards Communication Efficient Federated Learning](#), Dr. H. Tavakoli
- Thu., 11:00-12:00, [Machine Learning applications in meteorological forecasting](#), Dr. Schicker
- Thu, 13:00-14:00, [Towards Communication-Efficient and Personalized Federated Learning](#), Dr. Samek
- Thu, 14:30-15:30, [Communication-Computation Efficient Distributed Machine Learning](#), Prof. Fischione
- Fr, 11:00-12:00, [Tackling the problem of “bad” explanations with the Human-in-the-Loop principle](#), Dipl.-Ing. Saranti

Discussion Forum („Slack“)



can be used via web-browser or with an installed app;

link to join is on school site

<https://ieeespcasfinland.github.io/>

post your questions there in suitable channel, e.g., “exercise1”

don't hesitate to answer other's questions

Support for Exercises



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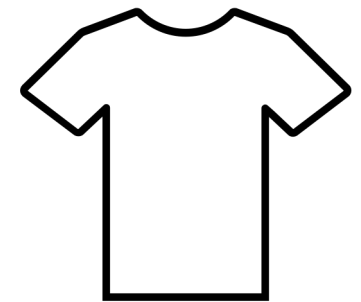
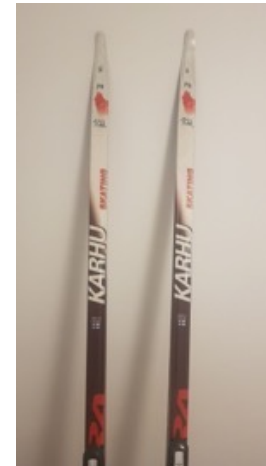


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Exercises.

- **three exercises**: Exercise 1, 2 and 3
- each exercise consists of a **Python notebook**
- notebook contains **starter code** and explanations
- **tasks at the end** of notebooks

Running Toy Application



morning temperature = - 10 (minimum daytime temp.)
maximum daytime temperature ?

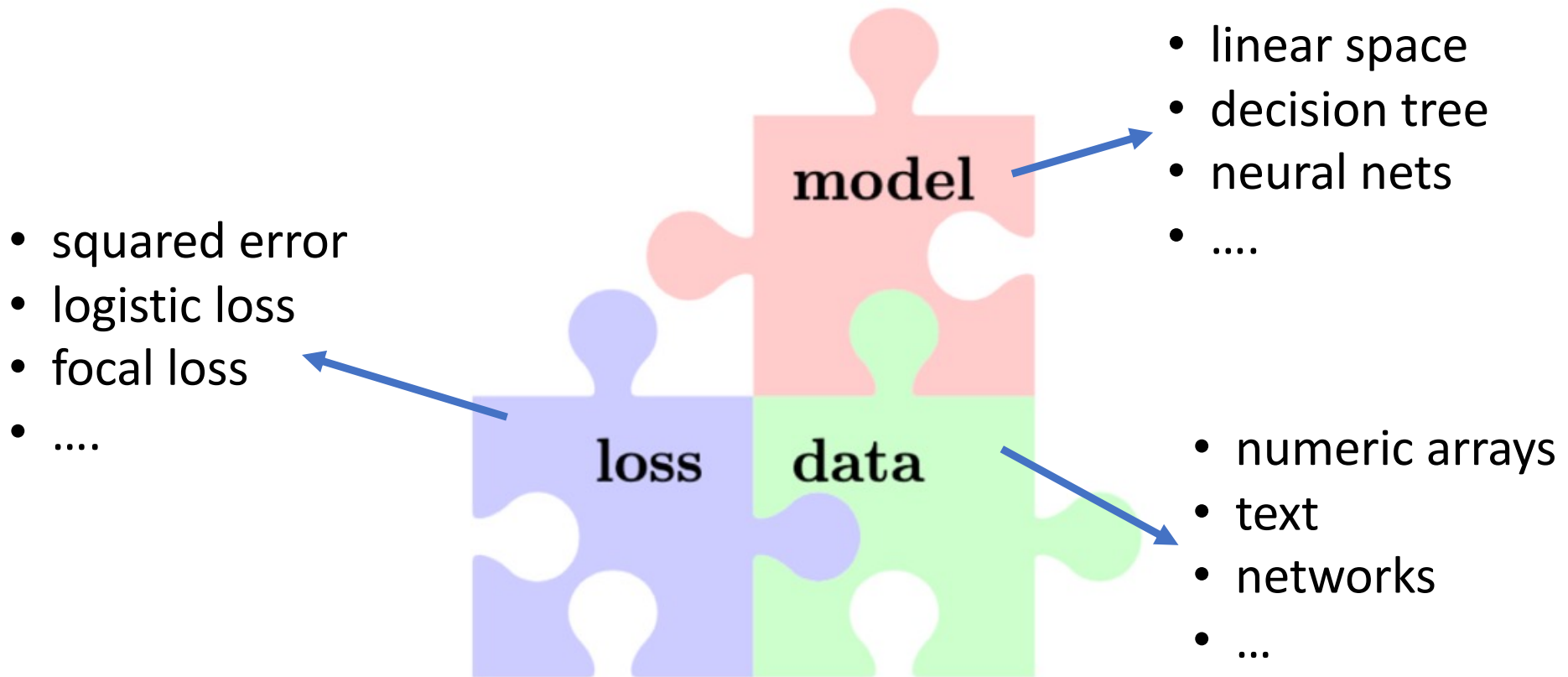
Exercise 1.

NumPy 

- basic components of ML: data, model and loss
- principle of empirical risk minimization (ERM)
- solve ERM using gradient descent
- read in datapoints from a csv file


pandas

Three Components of ML



Data.

```
import pandas as pd # the pandas package provides tools for data manipulation
df = pd.read_csv('FMIData.csv') # read in data from a csv file
df.head(5) # show first 5 datapoints
```

	date	min_temp	max_temp	latitude	longitude	station
0	2021-04-11	$x^{(1)}$ 2.4	$y^{(0)}$ 6.1	60.30373	25.54916	Porvoo Kilpilahti satama
1	2021-04-12	4.9	9.9	60.30373	25.54916	Porvoo Kilpilahti satama
2	2021-04-13	2.8	6.5	60.30373	25.54916	Porvoo Kilpilahti satama
3	2021-04-14	0.5	6.5	60.30373	25.54916	Porvoo Kilpilahti satama
4	2021-04-15	0.7	9.4	60.30373	25.54916	Porvoo Kilpilahti satama

Feature Matrix and Label Vector.

	date	min_temp	max_temp
0	2021-04-11	2.4	6.1
1	2021-04-12	4.9	9.9
2	2021-04-13	2.8	6.5
3	2021-04-14	0.5	6.5
4	2021-04-15	0.7	9.4

$\Rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}^5$

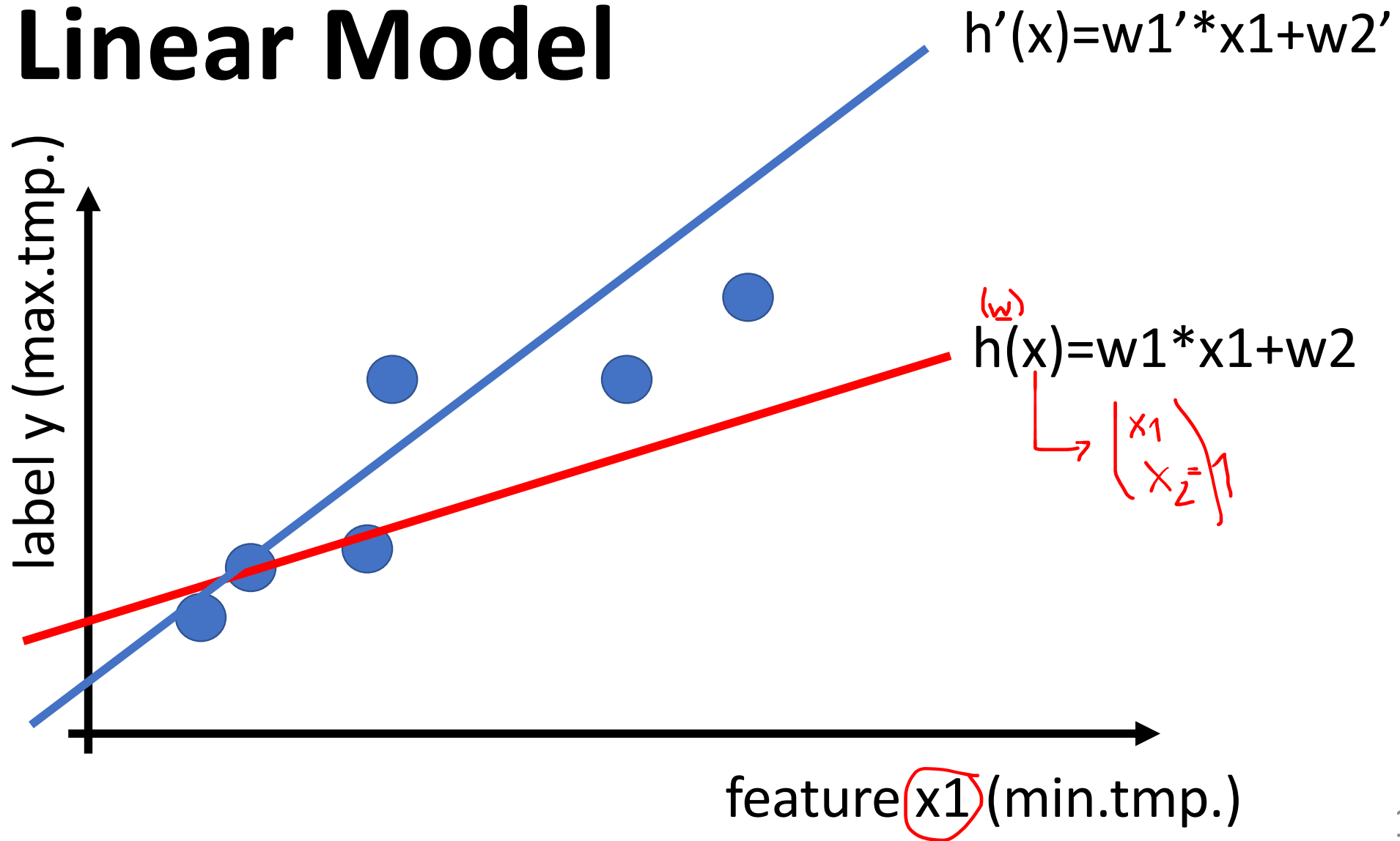
$X = \begin{pmatrix} 2.4 & 1 \\ 4.9 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0.7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$x^{(1)} = (x_1^{(1)} \ x_2^{(1)})$

$x^{(2)}$

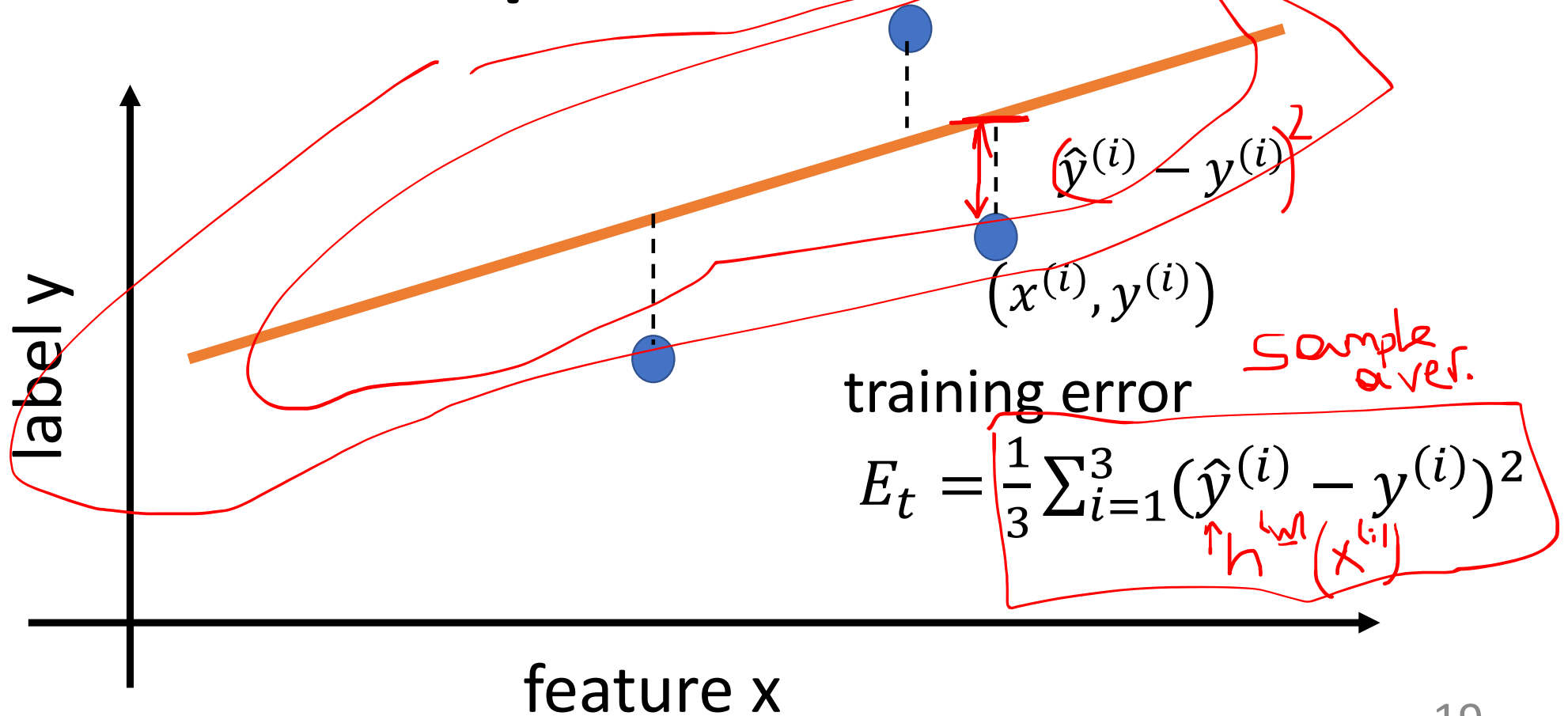
```
X = np.hstack((df["min_temp"].to_numpy().reshape(m,1), np.ones((m,1))))  
y = df["max_temp"].to_numpy().reshape(m,)
```


Linear Model



which hypothesis $h(x)$, or
model parameter w , is best?

Mean Squared Error



Empirical Risk Minimization (informal)

*learn hypothesis (model parameters) such that
the resulting average loss (“empirical risk”)
on a training set is minimal*

Empirical Risk Minimization

datapoints $(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$

$$\underline{X} = \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x}^{(1)})^T \\ (\mathbf{x}^{(2)})^T \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n} (1/m) \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\underbrace{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)}}_{h(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})} - y^{(i)} \right)^2.$$

$h^{(w)}$

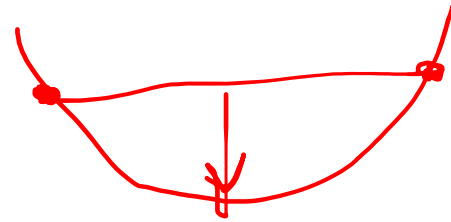
Matrix/Vector Notation

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} f(\mathbf{w}), \text{ with } f(\mathbf{w}) := (1/m) \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2.$$

feature matrix $\mathbf{X} = \left((\mathbf{x}^{(1)})^T, \dots, (\mathbf{x}^{(m)})^T \right)^T$

label vector $\mathbf{y} = (y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(m)})^T$.

Gradient Descent



$$\min_{\mathbf{w}} f(\mathbf{w}) , \text{ with } f(\mathbf{w}) := (1/m) \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2.$$

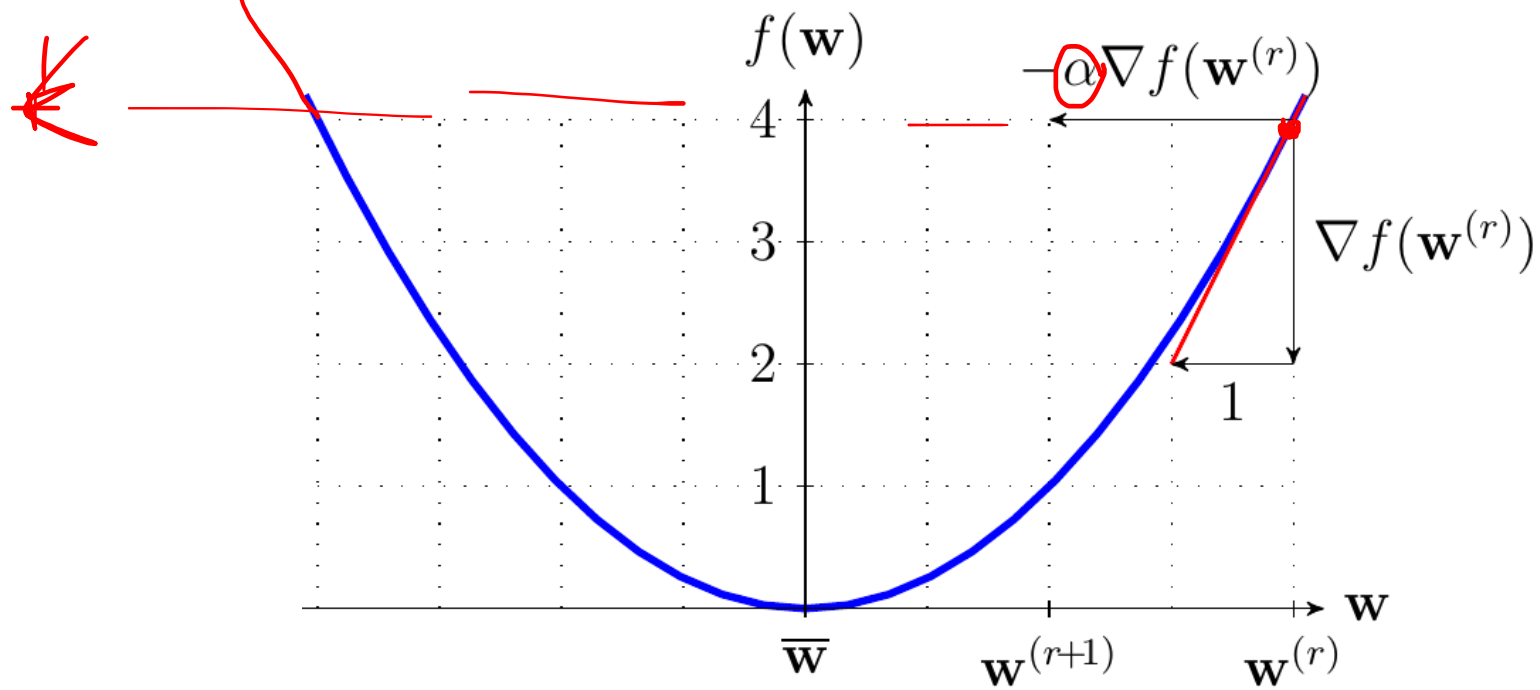
start with some initial guess $\mathbf{w}^{(0)}$ and iteratively improve by GD steps

$$\mathbf{w}^{(r+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(r)} - \alpha \nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})$$

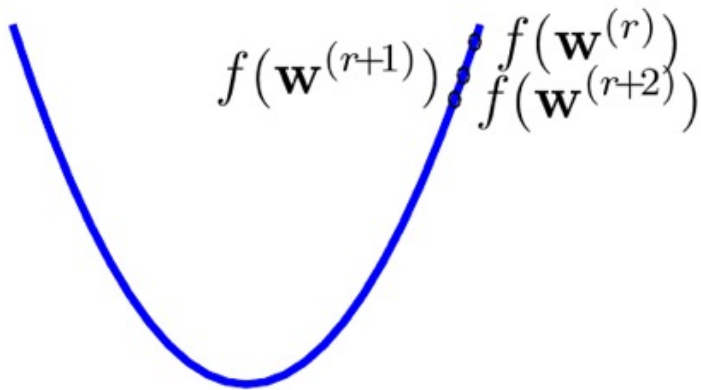
with step-size or “learning rate” α

Gradient Descent Step

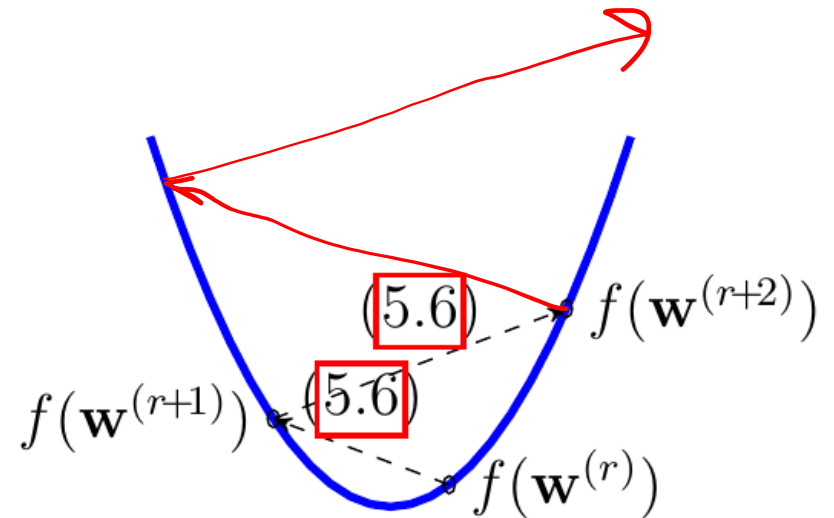
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Effect of Learning-Rate.



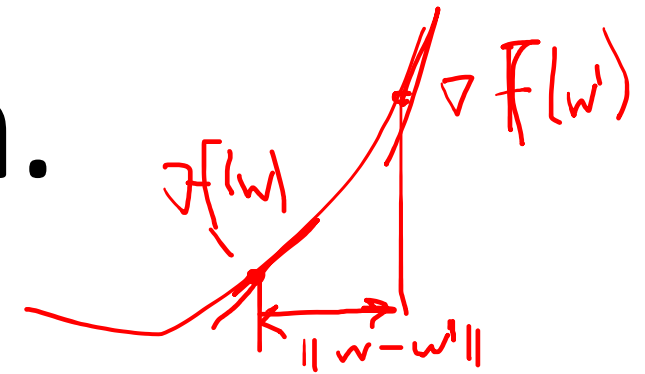
α too small: GD steps make only very little progress!



α too large: GD steps depart from optimum!

A Sufficient Condition.

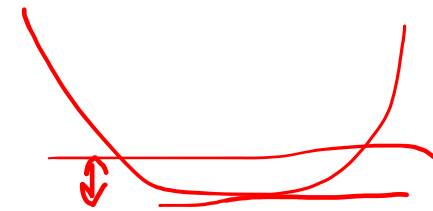
assume objective function is “ β -smooth”



$$\|\nabla f(\mathbf{w}) - \nabla f(\mathbf{w}')\| \leq \beta \|\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}'\|.$$

GD converges when using learning rate

$$\alpha = 1/\beta$$



proof: <https://www.stat.cmu.edu/~ryantibs/convexopt-F13/scribes/lec6.pdf>

Computing Gradient.

to implement GD step $\mathbf{w}^{(r+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(r)} - \alpha \nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})$

we need to compute gradient $\nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})$

for $f(\mathbf{w}) := (1/m) \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}\|_2^2$. we obtain

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{w}) = -(2/m) \mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w})$$

see A.4 of S. Boyd and L. Vandenberghe, "Convex Optimization", CUP, 2004

GD for Linear Regression.

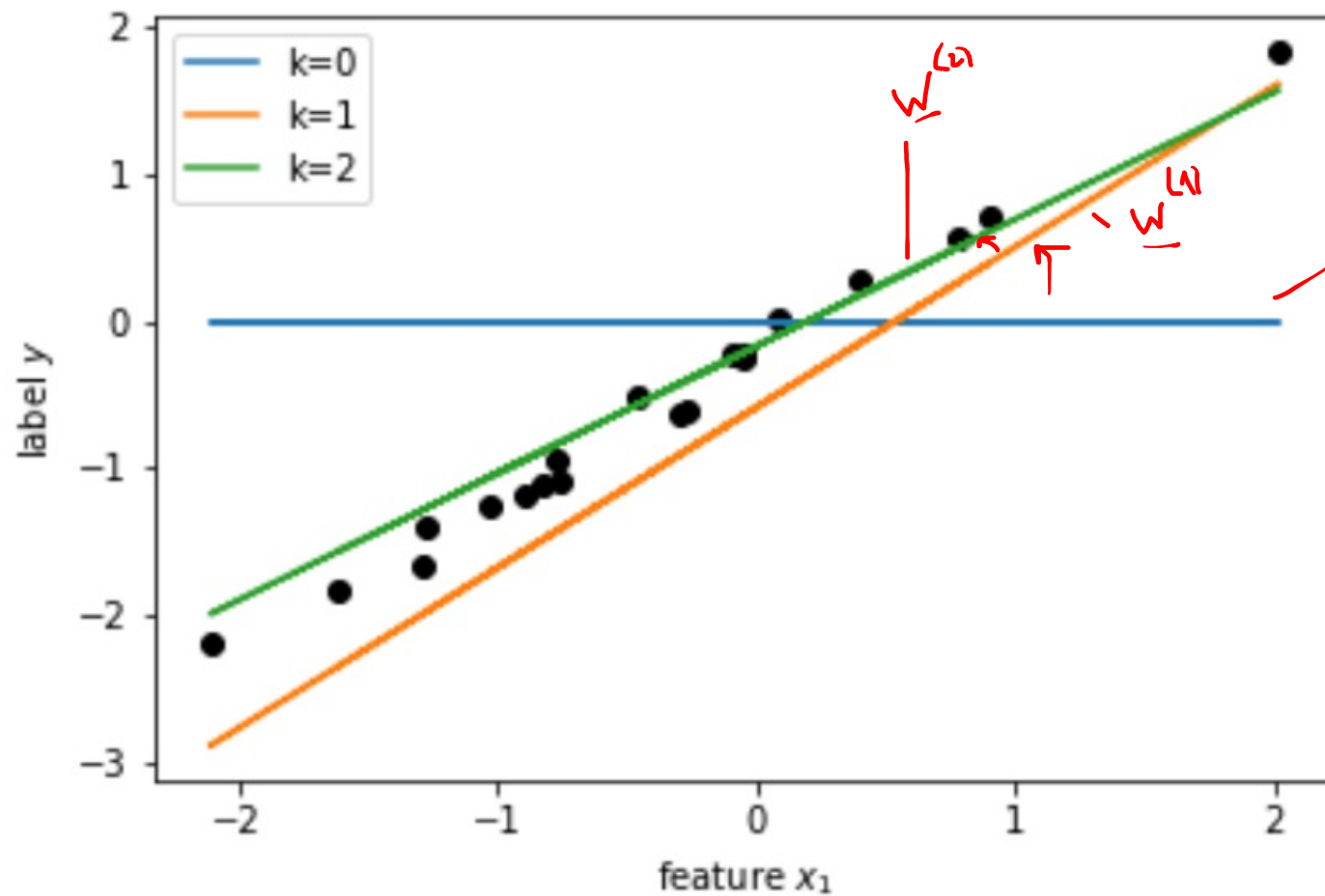
$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(k)} + \alpha(2/m)\mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{w}^{(k)})$$

```
# compute the gradient of f(w) at the current weight vector (ok
gradient = -(2/m) * X.T.dot(y - X.dot(current_weights))
# update the current weight vector via the GD step
current_weights = current_weights - (learning_rate * gradient)
```

When to stop ?

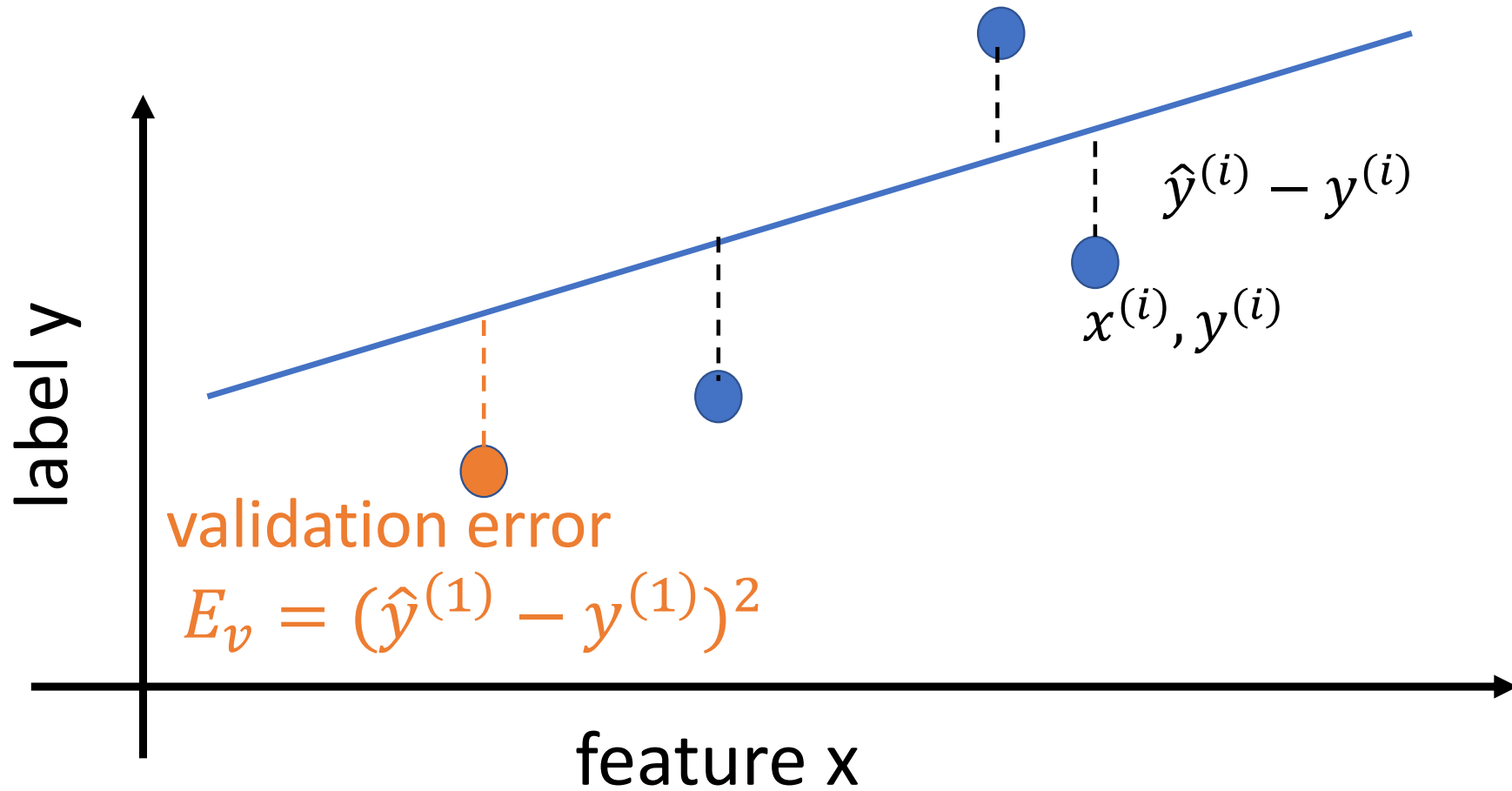
- nr. of steps required to ensure sub-optimality ("theory")
- check for sufficiently large decrease $f(\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(k)})$
- try $h(x) = \mathbf{w}^{(k)}x$ on validation set ("early stopping")

GD in Action.



$$h^{(0)}(x) = (w^{(0)})^T x$$

Train and Validate.



Exercise 1 – Task 1.1

Generate synthetic dataset of m data points. Each datapoint characterized by feature vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2)^T$ with ^{"true"} $x_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ and $x_2 = 1$. and numeric label $y = \bar{w}_1 x_1 + \bar{w}_2 x_2 + \sigma \varepsilon$. with some given "true weights" \bar{w}_1, \bar{w}_2 a given noise strength σ and Gaussian noise $\varepsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$

Study the deviation of the learnt weight vector after a given number N of GD steps from the true weight vector (\bar{w}_1, \bar{w}_2) as a function of N, σ and m .

Exercise 1 – Task 1.2

Learn the weights of a linear predictor for the maximum daytime temperature (label) from the minimum daytime temperature (feature) at some place in Finland. To achieve this goal, use the datapoints in

<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ieeespcasfinland/ieeespcasfinland.github.io/main/FMIData.csv>

Questions ?

5 Min Break



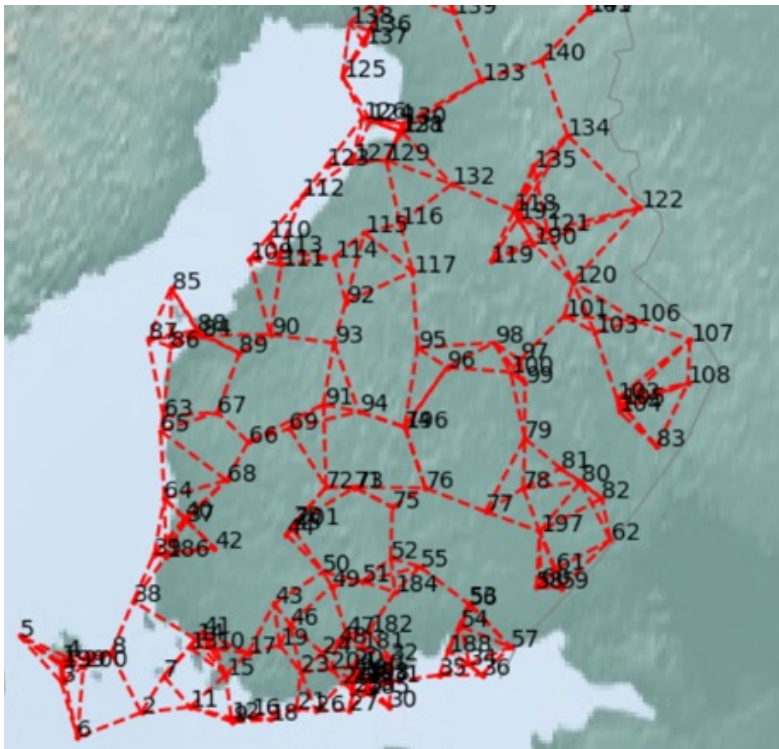
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Exercise 2.



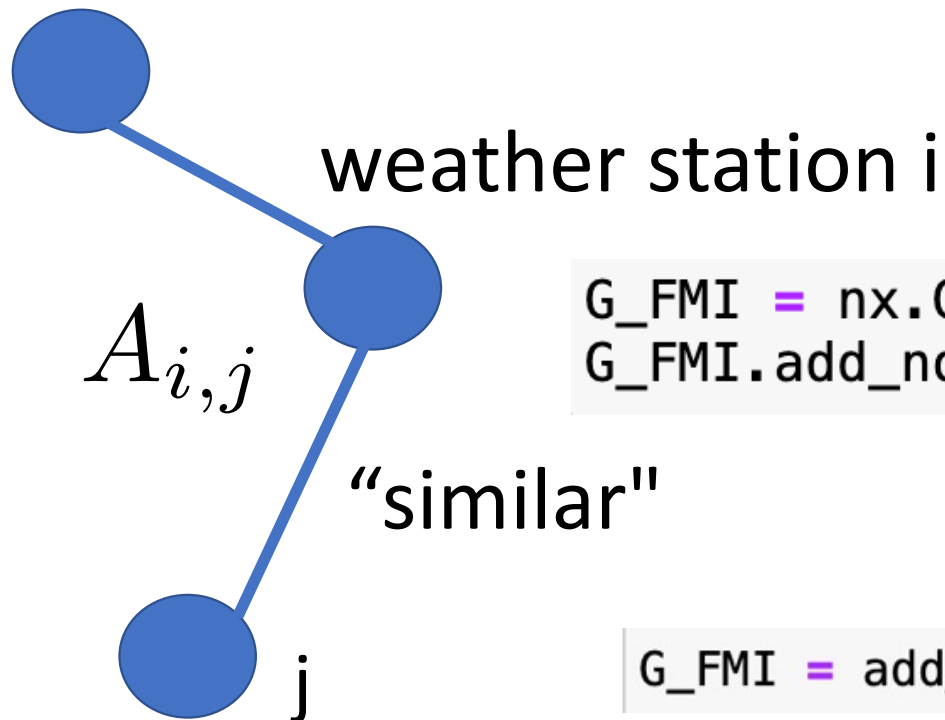
- store networked data and models using [networkx.Graph](#) object
- add local datasets and model parameters as node attributes
- combine GD with a network averaging algorithm to collaboratively linear hypothesis from a network of local datasets

Network of Weather Data



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2021-04-25, 1.0, 6.5, 60.30373, 25.54916, Porvoo Kilpilähti satama
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The Empirical Graph.



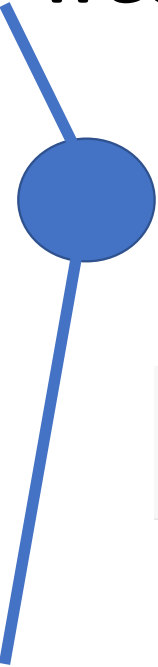
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G_FMI = nx.Graph()  
G_FMI.add_nodes_from(range(0, num_stations))
```

```
G_FMI = add_edges(G_FMI, total_neigh=4)
```

edge weights $A_{i,j}$ quantify
"statistical similarities"

Attaching Local Datasets to Nodes

weather station i


$$\mathbf{X}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{x}^{(i,1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(i,m_i)})^T, \text{ and } \mathbf{y}^{(i)} = (y^{(i,1)}, \dots, y^{(i,m_i)})^T.$$

```
G_FMI.nodes[i]['X'] = df.min_temp.to_numpy().reshape(-1,1)
G_FMI.nodes[i]['y'] = df.max_temp.to_numpy() # label vector
```

Attaching Linear Model to Nodes

weather station i

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$$h^{(i)}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{w}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{x}$$

```
G.nodes[iter_node]["w"] = np.zeros(X.shape[1])
```

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Learning a Global Model

$$\mathbf{w}^{(0)} = \mathbf{w}^{(1)} = \dots = \mathbf{w}^{(m-1)} = \mathbf{w}$$

learn weight vector \mathbf{w} via GD applied to linear regression with pooling all local datasets

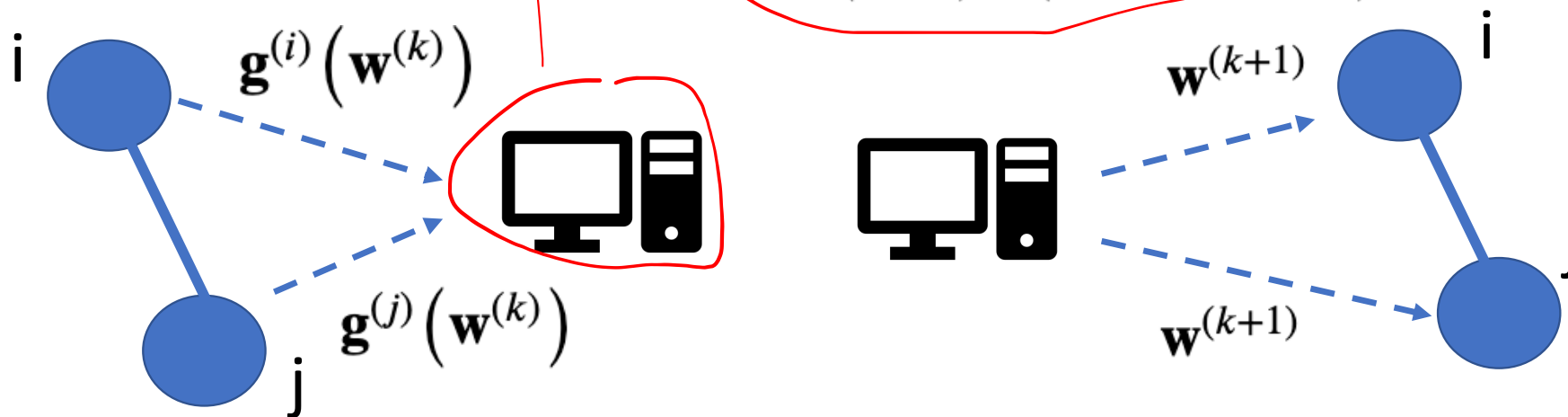
$$\mathbf{X} = \left(\left(\mathbf{X}^{(0)} \right)^T, \dots, \left(\mathbf{X}^{(m-1)} \right)^T \right)^T, \mathbf{y} = \left(\left(\mathbf{y}^{(0)} \right)^T, \dots, \left(\mathbf{y}^{(m-1)} \right)^T \right)^T$$

Centralized Federated Learning

GD step for linear regression on pooled local datasets:

$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(k)} - \alpha(1/m) \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} g^{(i)}(\mathbf{w}^{(k)})$$

local gradient $g^{(i)}(\mathbf{w}) := -2(\mathbf{X}^{(i)})^T (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)}\mathbf{w})$



Distributed Federated Learning

GD step for linear regression on pooled local datasets:

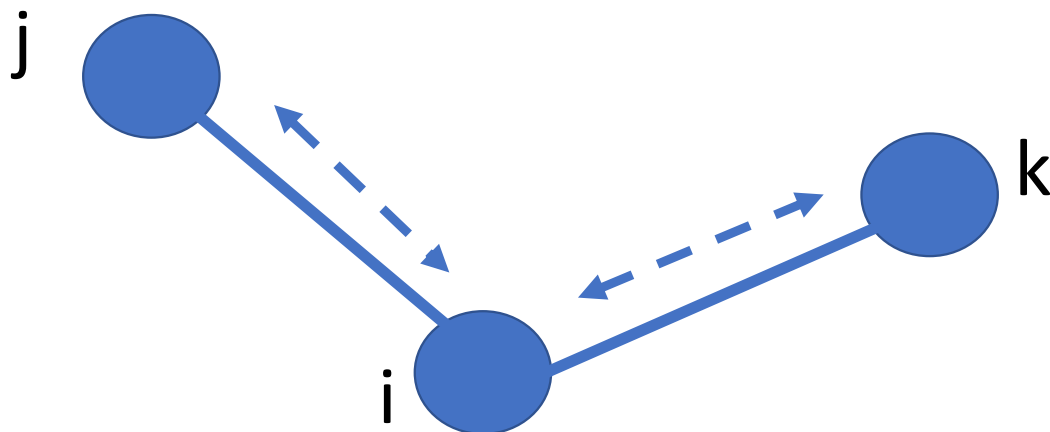
$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(k)} - \alpha \left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} g^{(i)}(\mathbf{w}^{(k)}) \right)$$

local gradient $g^{(i)}(\mathbf{w}) := -2(\mathbf{X}^{(i)})^T (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)}\mathbf{w})$

use network averaging to (approximately) compute

$$\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} g^{(i)}(\mathbf{w}^{(k)}) \right)$$

Network Averaging



$$\mathbf{g}^{(i)}(r+1) = W_{i,i}\mathbf{g}^{(i)}(r) + W_{i,j}\mathbf{g}^{(j)}(r) + W_{i,k}\mathbf{g}^{(k)}(r)$$

for suitable choice of weights $W_{i,j}$,

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{g}^{(i)}(r+1) = (1/m) \sum_{i'=0}^{m-1} \mathbf{g}^{(i')}(0)$$

Algorithm 1

1. init weights to zero at all nodes

```
G.nodes[iter_node]["w"] = np.zeros(X.shape[1])
```

2. repeat for N_GD times:

2.1 compute local gradients at all nodes

```
# compute local gradient for current weight vector at node iter_node  
G.nodes[iter_node]["g"] = -2*X.T.dot(y - X.dot(G.nodes[iter_node]["w"]))
```

2.2 N_AV iterations of network averaging

2.3 do a GD step at each node

```
for iter_node in G.nodes(data=False):  
    G.nodes[iter_node]["w"] = G.nodes[iter_node]["w"] - (learning_rate * G.nodes[iter_node]["g"] )
```

Exercise 2 – Task 2.1

Try out Algorithm 1 for a toy networked dataset consisting of two clusters/blocks

study effect of having an edge between clusters, varying number of GD steps, varying number of network averaging iterations

Exercise 2 – Task 2.2

Try out Algorithm 1 for a networked data obtained from Finnish meteorological institute (Demo code shows to load this data)

Questions ?

5 Min Break

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Exercise 3.

- learn different local (personalized) models for nodes
- couple local models using total variation (TV)
- GD for TV regularized local linear regression

Networked Data and Models.

weather station i

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$$h^{(i)}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{w}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{x}$$

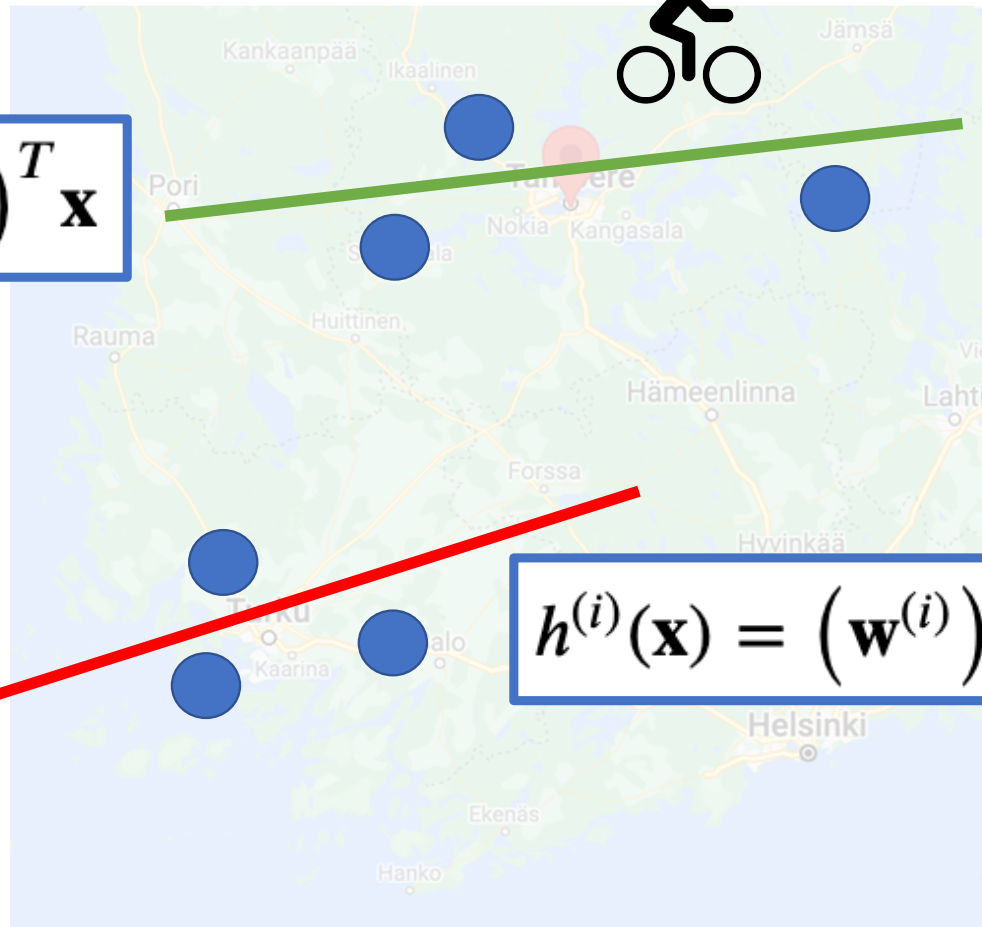
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```


Learn Personalized Models

$$h^{(j)}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{w}^{(j)})^T \mathbf{x}$$

$$h^{(i)}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{w}^{(i)})^T \mathbf{x}$$



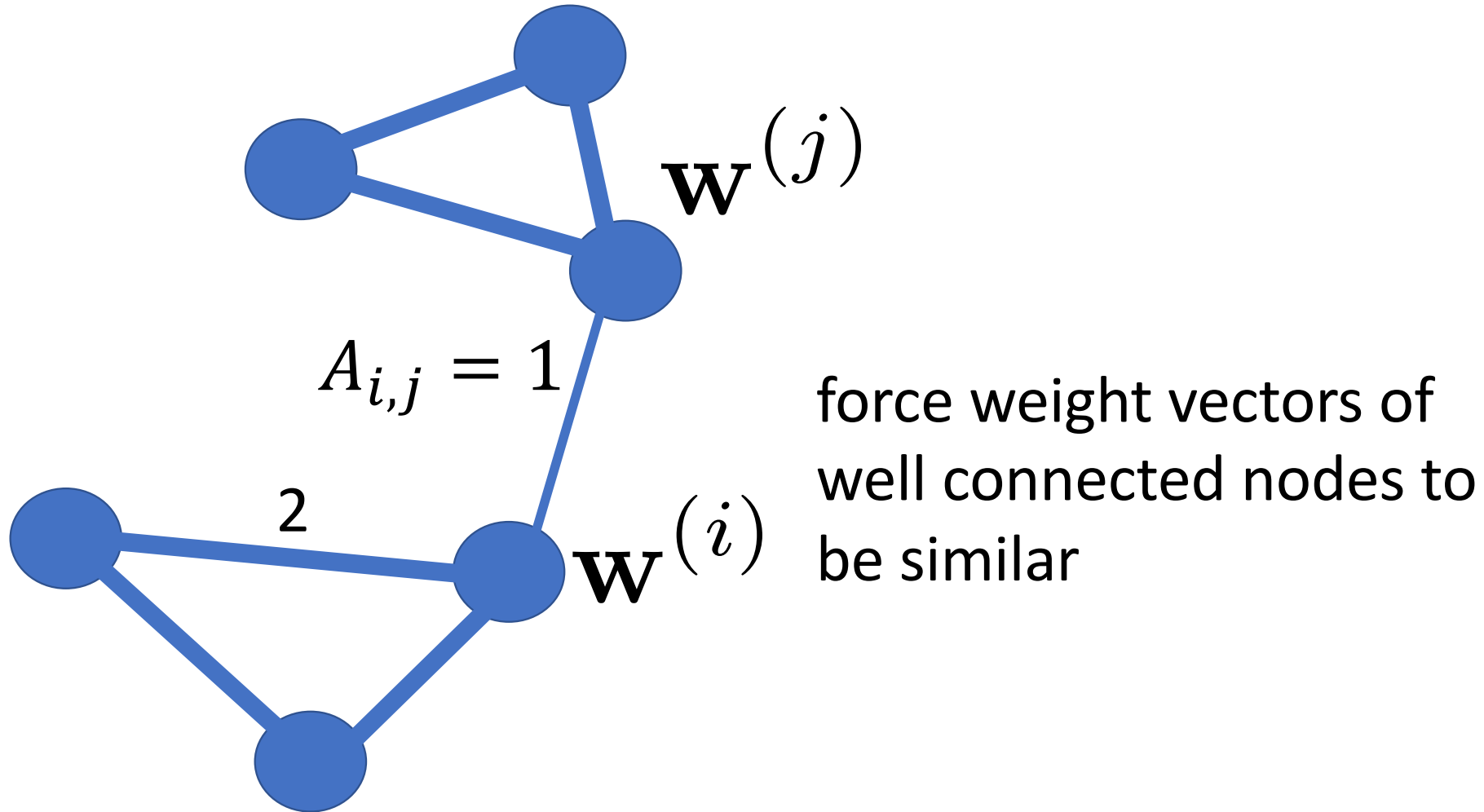
Local Linear Regression

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^n} (1/m_i) \left\| \mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^{(i)} \right\|_2^2.$$

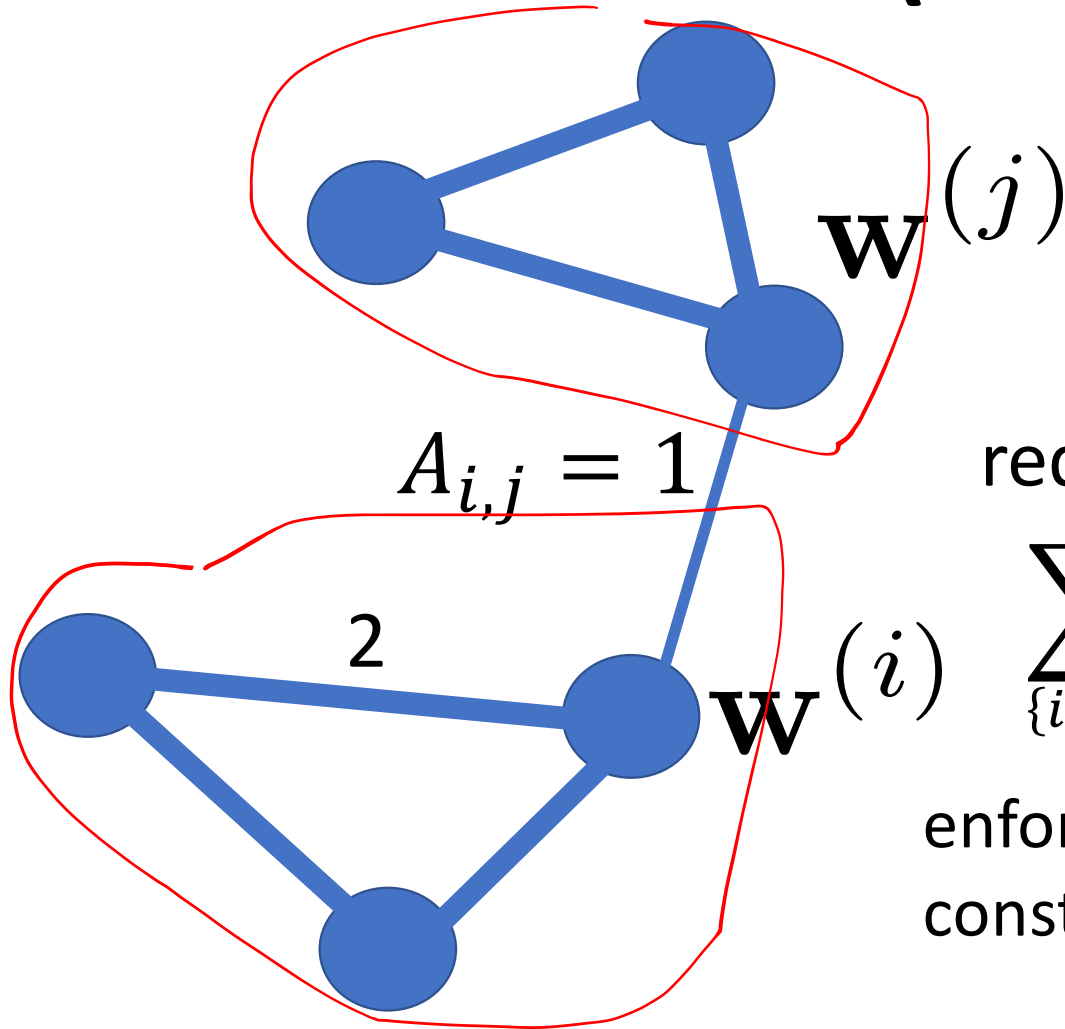
we could learn local weight vector by solving local linear regression for each node

not a good idea if local dataset is too small (why?)

Clustering Assumption



Total Variation (TV)



requiring small TV

$$\sum_{\{i,j\}} A_{i,j} \|\mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{(j)}\|^2$$

enforces weights to be nearly constant over clusters

TV-Regularized Linear Regression

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}^{(0)}, \mathbf{w}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}^{(m-1)}} \sum_i (1/m_i) \|\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^{(i)}\|_2^2 + \lambda_{\text{TV}} \sum_{\{i,j\}} A_{i,j} \|\mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{(j)}\|_2^2.$$

local training errors

increasing λ_{TV}

“clusteredness”

Gradient Descent

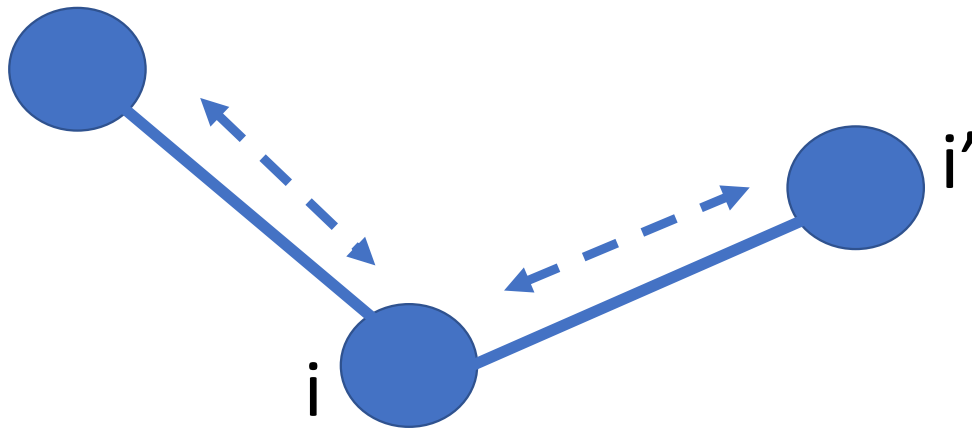
$$\min_{\mathbf{w}^{(0)}, \dots, \mathbf{w}^{(i)}} \sum_i (1/m_i) \|\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^{(i)}\|_2^2 + \lambda_{\text{TV}} \sum_{\{i,j\}} A_{i,j} \|\mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \mathbf{w}^{(j)}\|_2^2.$$

objective function is smooth and convex;

-> can be solved iteratively using GD steps

$$\mathbf{w}^{(i,k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \alpha \left(-(2/m_i) (\mathbf{X}^{(i)})^T (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)}) + 2\lambda_{\text{TV}} \sum_{i' \neq i} A_{i,i'} (\mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \mathbf{w}^{(i',k)}) \right)$$

GD Step as Message Passing



$$\mathbf{w}^{(i,k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \alpha \left(\underbrace{-(2/m_i) (\mathbf{X}^{(i)})^T (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)})}_{\text{neighbor}} + 2\lambda_{\text{TV}} \sum_{i' \neq i} \underbrace{A_{i,i'} (\mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \mathbf{w}^{(i',k)})}_{\text{neighbor}} \right)$$

Algorithm 2

1. init weights to zero all nodes

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G.nodes[iter_node]["w"] = np.zeros(X.shape[1])
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2. repeat for N_GD times:

update local weights at all nodes as

$$\mathbf{w}^{(i,k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \alpha \left(-(2/m_i) (\mathbf{X}^{(i)})^T (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)}) + 2\lambda_{\text{TV}} \sum_{i' \neq i} A_{i,i'} (\mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \mathbf{w}^{(i',k)}) \right)$$

Exercise 3 – Task 3.1

Try out Algorithm 2 for a toy networked dataset consisting of two clusters/blocks

study the effect of varying edge weight between clusters, varying number of GD steps, varying regularization parameter λ_{TV}

Exercise 3 – Task 3.2

Try out Algorithm 2 for a networked data obtained from Finnish meteorological institute (Demo code shows to load this data)

Convergence of Alg. 2

$$\mathbf{w}^{(i,k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \alpha \left(-(2/m_i) (\mathbf{X}^{(i)})^T (\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{X}^{(i)} \mathbf{w}^{(i,k)}) + 2\lambda_{\text{TV}} \sum_{i' \neq i} A_{i,i'} (\mathbf{w}^{(i,k)} - \mathbf{w}^{(i',k)}) \right)$$

is of the form

\mathbf{Q}

$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(k)} - 2\alpha (\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{w}^{(k)} - \mathbf{q})$$

convergence depends on the **eigenvalue spread of \mathbf{Q}**

System Matrix of Alg. 2

$$\mathbf{w}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(k)} - 2\alpha(\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{w}^{(k)} - \mathbf{q})$$

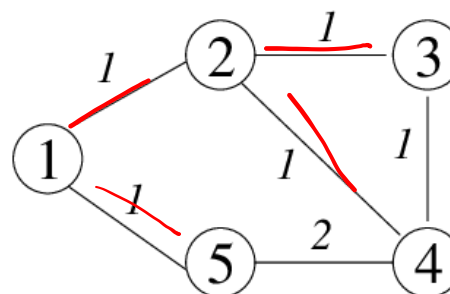
convergence depends on the **eigenvalue spread of Q**

$$\mathbf{Q} = \underbrace{\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}}_{\text{data}} + \lambda \underbrace{\mathbf{TVL}}_{\text{network}}$$

“block” Laplacian matrix

“stacked” feature matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X^{(1)} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & X^{(2)} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & X^{(3)} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & X^{(\nu)} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 4 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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What's Next ?



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