

Linear Regression as a Neural Network

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Linear Regression Model:

$$\hat{Y}^{(i)} = b + w_1 x_1^{(i)} + \dots + w_p x_p^{(i)} + \epsilon^{(i)}$$

$$\epsilon^{(i)} \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$$

... or ...

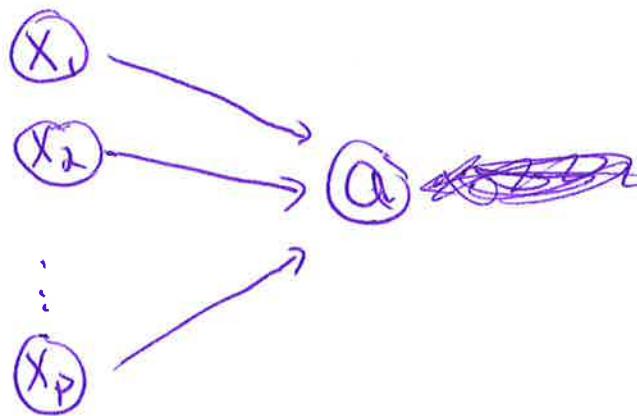
$$\hat{Y}^{(i)} \sim \text{Normal}(b + w_1 x_1^{(i)} + \dots + w_p x_p^{(i)}, \sigma^2)$$

... or ...

$$\hat{Y}^{(i)} \sim \text{Normal}(b + w^T x^{(i)}, \sigma^2)$$

Input Layer

Output Layer



The circle for a represents 2 steps:

$$1) \text{ calculate } z^{(i)} = b + w^T x^{(i)}$$

$$2) \text{ calculate } a^{(i)} = g(z^{(i)})$$

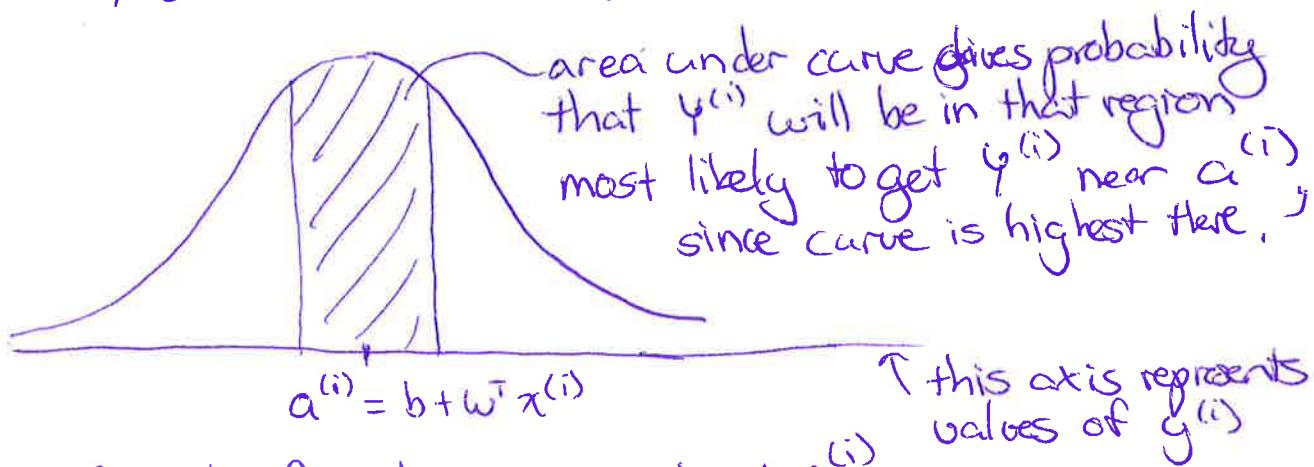
for linear regression we use an identity activation $g(z) = z$
 so $a^{(i)} = g(z^{(i)}) = z^{(i)} = b + w^T x^{(i)}$

also sometimes referred to as a linear activation

$$\text{So } \hat{Y}^{(i)} \sim \text{Normal}(a^{(i)}, \sigma^2)$$

Likelihood for regression:

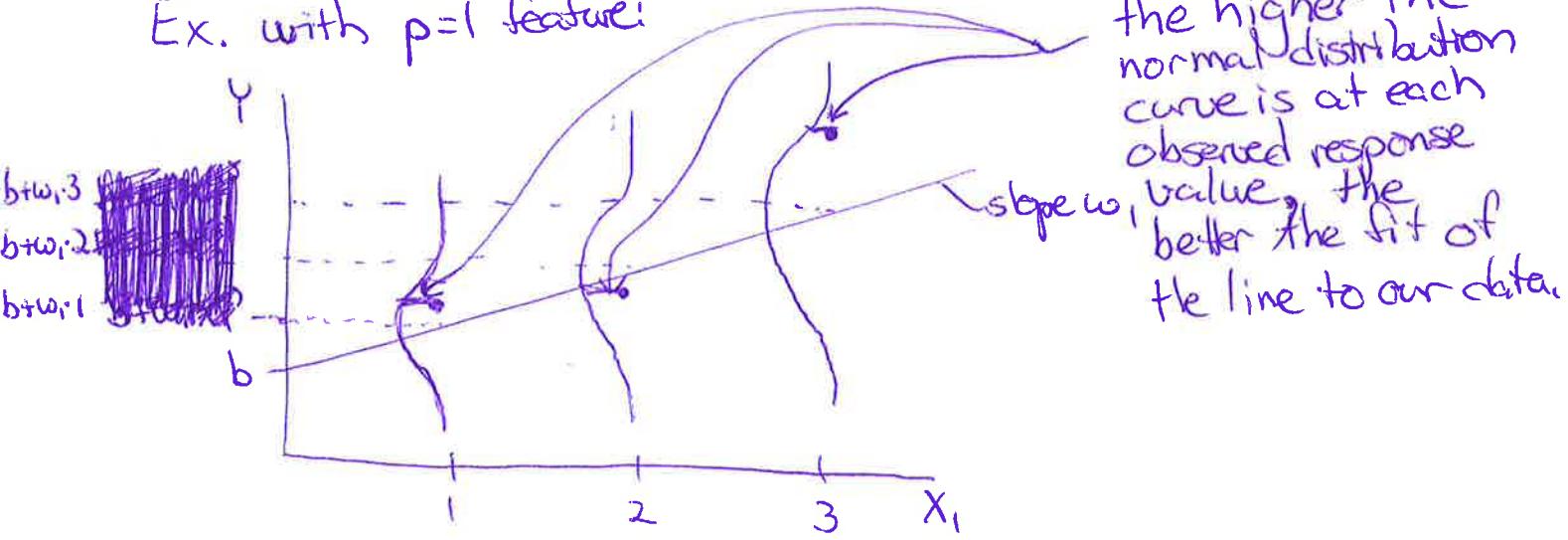
$$y^{(i)} \sim \text{Normal}(b + w^T x^{(i)}, \sigma^2)$$



The formula for this curve is

$$f(y^{(i)}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y^{(i)} - a^{(i)})^2}$$

Ex. with $p=1$ feature:



Likelihood function is

$$\mathcal{L}(b, w) = \prod_{i=1}^m f(y^{(i)})$$

similar intuition to $\prod_{i=1}^m P(y^{(i)} = y^{(i)})$, but $f(y^{(i)})$ is not $P(y^{(i)} = y^{(i)})$

We choose b and w that maximize $\mathcal{L}(b, w)$

Log-likelihood for regression

Equivalently, we choose b, ω to maximize the log-likelihood

$$\ell(b, \omega) = \log \{ L(b, \omega) \}$$

... or ...

minimize the negative log-likelihood cost function

$$J(b, \omega) = -\log \{ L(b, \omega) \}$$

$$= -\log \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^m f(y^{(i)}) \right\}$$

$$= -\log \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y^{(i)} - \alpha^{(i)})^2} \right\}$$

$$= -\sum_{i=1}^m \log \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y^{(i)} - \alpha^{(i)})^2} \right\}$$

$$= -\sum_{i=1}^m \left[\log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \right) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y^{(i)} - \alpha^{(i)})^2 \right]$$

$$= -m \cdot \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \right) + \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m (y^{(i)} - \alpha^{(i)})^2$$

$$= -m \cdot \log \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \right) + \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m \{y^{(i)} - (b + \omega^T x^{(i)})\}^2$$

Minimizing the above is equivalent to minimizing

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^m \{y^{(i)} - (b + \omega_1 x_1^{(i)} + \dots + \omega_p x_p^{(i)})\}^2$$