

Simple Linear Regression

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- Independent variable: $X = (X[1], \dots, X[n])$
dependent variable (to be predicted): $Y = (Y[1], \dots, Y[n])$

- Find a line:

$$Y' = a + bX$$

which minimizes the sum of the squared distances:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (Y[i] - (a + bX[i]))^2$$

- The solution line $Y' = a + bX$ can be computed as:

$$b = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X[i]Y[i] - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X[i] \sum_{i=1}^n Y[i]}{\sum_{i=1}^n X[i]^2 - \frac{1}{n} (\sum_{i=1}^n X[i])^2}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y[i] - b \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X[i]$$