

Title: Classification on a quantum computer: Linear regression and ensemble methods

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Abstract: Quantum machine learning algorithms usually translate a machine learning methods into an algorithm that can exploit the advantages of quantum information processing. One approach is to tackle methods that rely on matrix inversion with the quantum linear system of equations routine. We give such a quantum algorithm based on unregularised linear regression. Opposed to closely related work from Wiebe, Braun and Lloyd [PRL 109 (2012)] our scheme focuses on a classification task and uses a different combination of core routines that allows us to process non-sparse inputs, and significantly improves the dependence on the condition number. The second part of the talk presents an idea that transcends the reproduction of classical results. Instead of considering a single trained classifier, practitioners often use ensembles of models to make predictions more robust and accurate. Under certain conditions, having infinite ensembles can lead to good results. We introduce a quantum sampling scheme that uses the parallelism inherent to a quantum computer in order to sample from 'exponentially large' ensembles that are not explicitly trained.

# Prediction on a quantum computer: Linear regression and ensemble methods.

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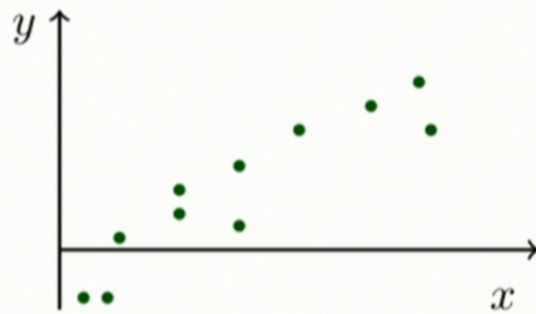
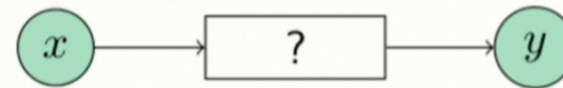
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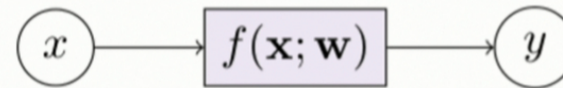
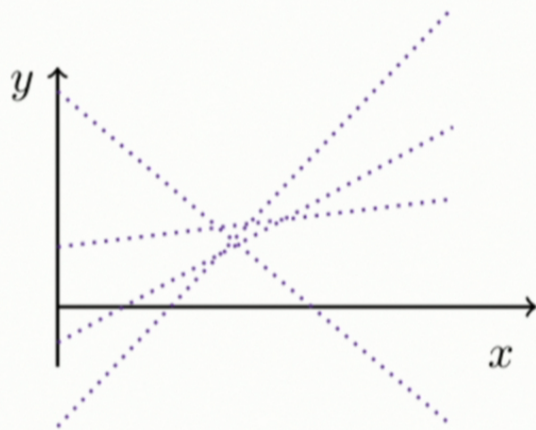
*Given some data...*





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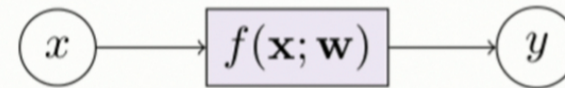
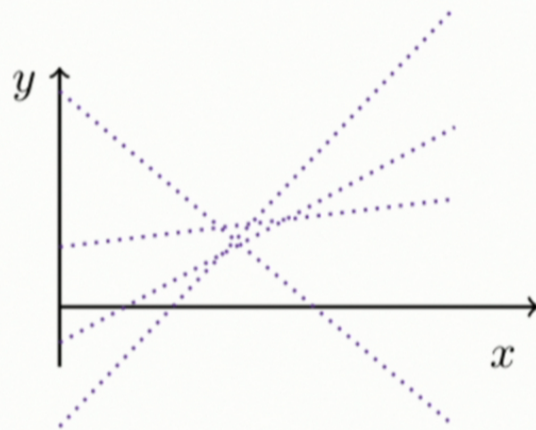


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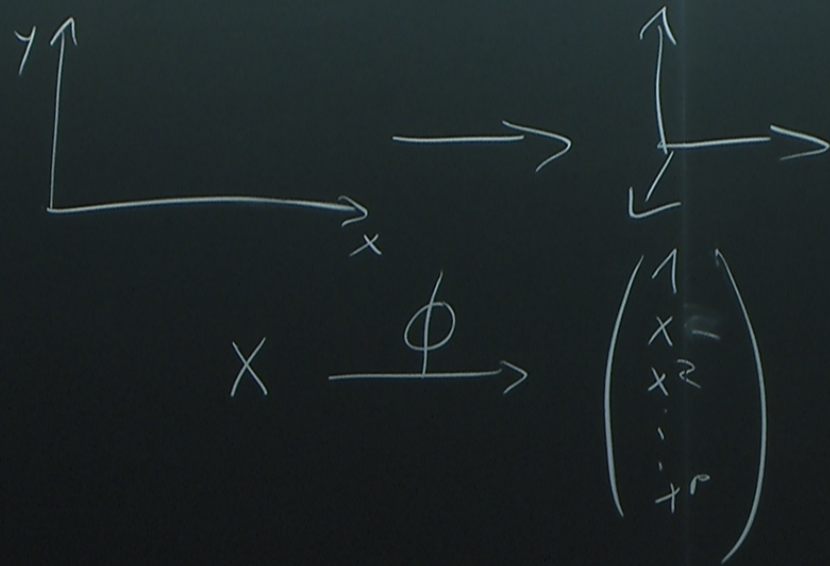
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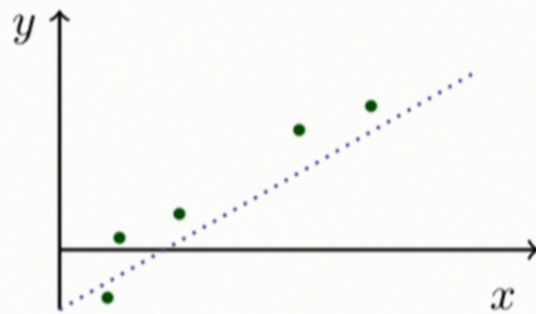
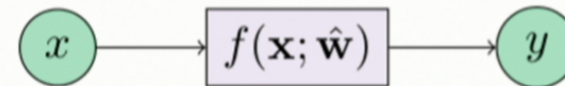




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...train the model...



$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \min_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w})$$



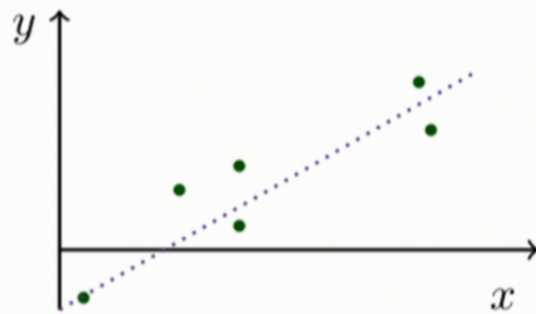
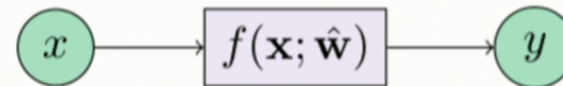
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*...test the model...*



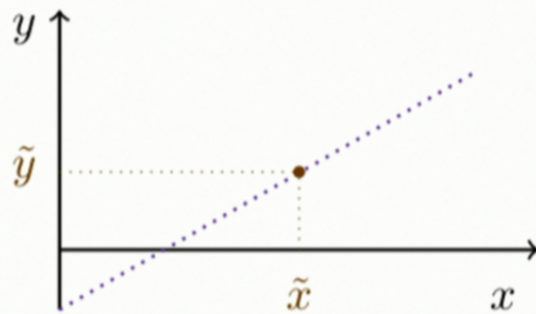
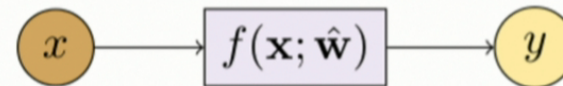
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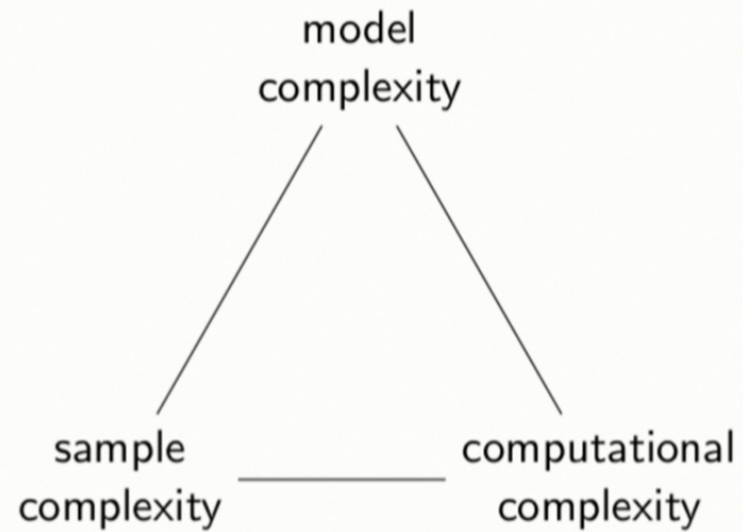
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*...and use the model for prediction.*





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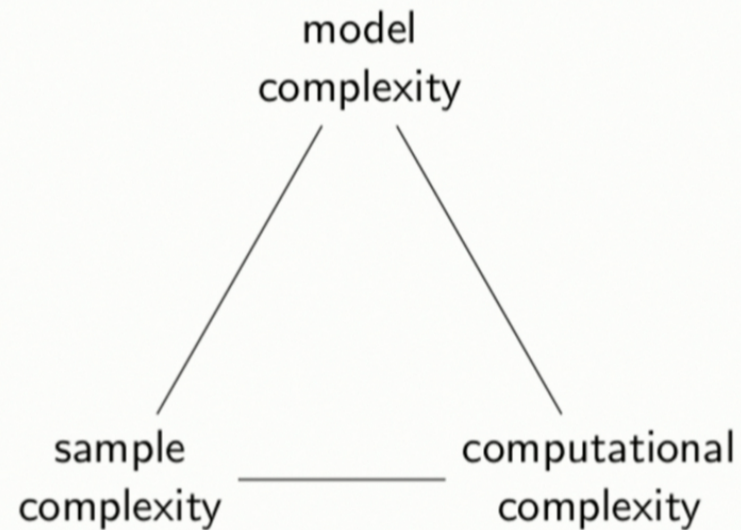
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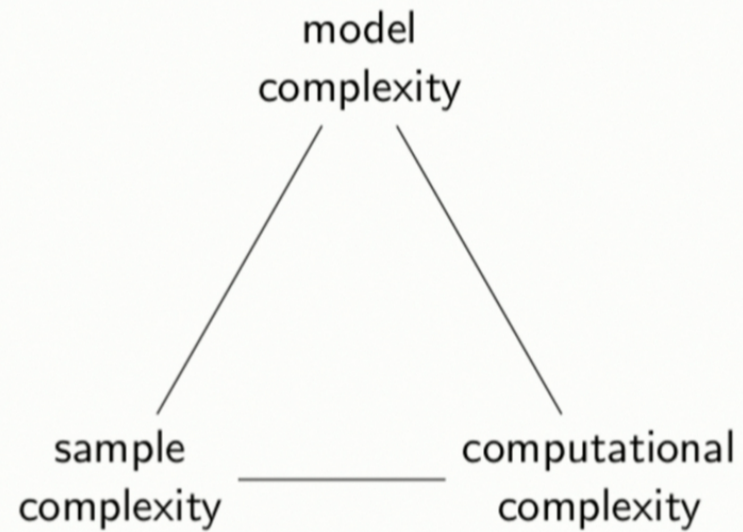
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## GENERAL IDEA

*Doing linear algebra with amplitudes.*

amplitude	probability	state
$a_0$	$ a_0 ^2$	$ 000\rangle$
$a_1$	$ a_1 ^2$	$ 001\rangle$
$a_2$	$ a_2 ^2$	$ 010\rangle$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$a_7$	$ a_7 ^2$	$ 111\rangle$



## RELATED WORK

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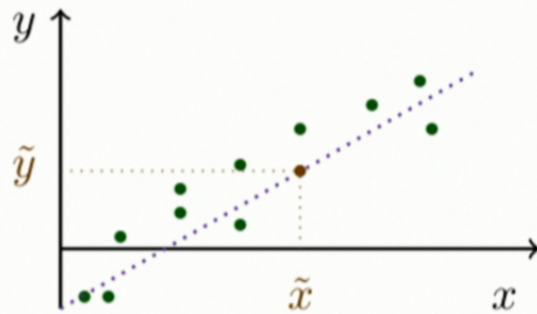


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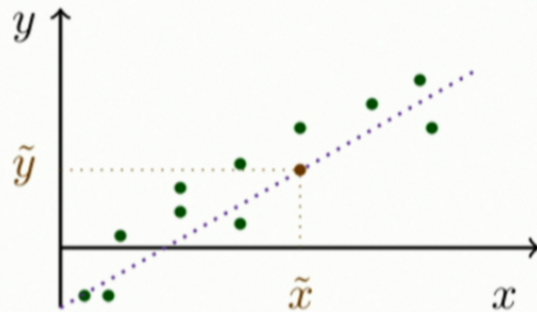
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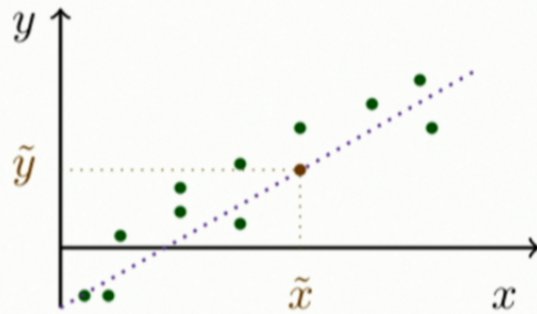
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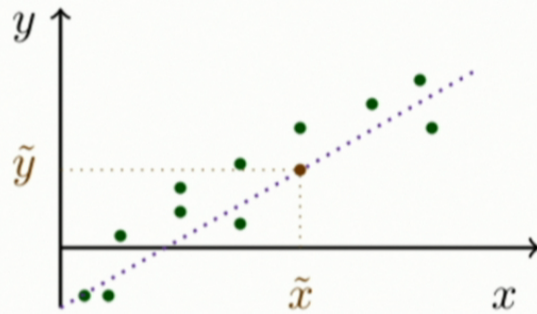
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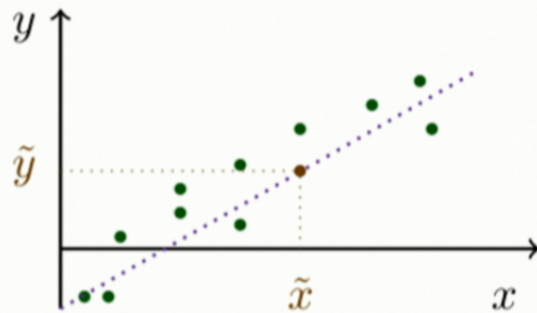
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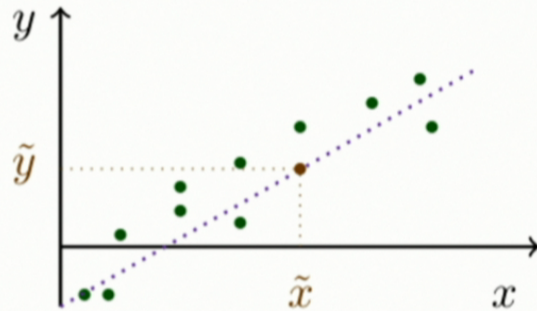
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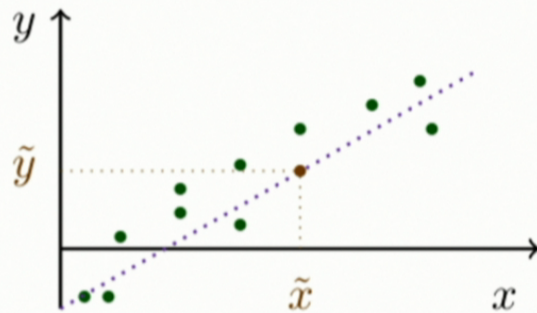
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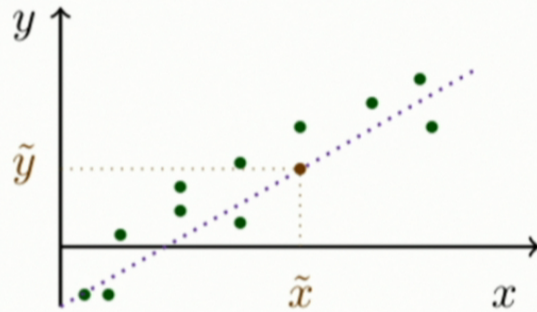
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## CAN WE DO THIS ON A QCOMPUTER?

$$\tilde{y} = \sum_{r=1}^R \sqrt{\lambda_r^{-1}} (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{v}_r) (\mathbf{u}_r^T \mathbf{y})$$

→ Idea:

$$\tilde{y} = \sum_{r=1}^R \sqrt{\lambda_r^{-1}} \langle \psi_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} | \psi_{\mathbf{v}_r} \rangle \langle \psi_{\mathbf{u}_r} | \psi_{\mathbf{y}} \rangle$$

We need a quantum algorithm that produces quantum state vectors corresponding to the desired eigenvectors and eigenvalues.



## AMPLITUDE ENCODING

Associate the amplitudes of quantum state vector with the entries of a classical vector  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{2^n}$ :

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ \vdots \\ a_{2^n-1} \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow |\psi_{\mathbf{a}}\rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{2^n-1} a_j |j\rangle$$





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Idea [Lloyd, Mohseni, Rebentrost (2014)]: 'Exponentiate' density matrices.

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$$e^{-i\mathbf{A}\Delta t} |\psi_{\mathbf{b}}\rangle = e^{-i\mathbf{A}\Delta t} \sum_j \beta_j |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_j}\rangle = \sum_j \beta_j e^{-i\lambda_j \Delta t} |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_j}\rangle$$

$$\text{QPE} \rightarrow \sum_j \beta_j |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_j}\rangle |\lambda_j\rangle$$





## QLG ALGORITHM

*Step 2: Extracting the singular values.*

Idea [Lloyd, Mohseni, Rebentrost (2014)]: 'Exponentiate' density matrices.

$$e^{-i\rho\Delta t} |\psi_{\mathbf{b}}\rangle = e^{-i\rho\Delta t} \sum_j \beta_j |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_j}\rangle = \sum_j \beta_j e^{-i\lambda_j\Delta t} |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_j}\rangle$$

$$\text{QPE} \rightarrow \sum_j \beta_j |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_j}\rangle |\lambda_j\rangle$$



## QLG ALGORITHM

*Step 2: Extracting the singular values.*

Idea Quantum Linear Regression Algorithm:

$$e^{-i\rho_{\mathbf{X}^\dagger \mathbf{X}} \Delta t} |\psi_{\mathbf{X}}\rangle = \sum_{r=1}^R \sqrt{\lambda_r} e^{-i\lambda_r \Delta t} |\psi_{\mathbf{v}_r}\rangle |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_r}\rangle$$

$$\text{QPE} \rightarrow \sum_{r=1}^R \sqrt{\lambda_r} |\psi_{\mathbf{v}_r}\rangle |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_r}\rangle |\lambda_r\rangle$$



## QLG ALGORITHM

*Step 3: Inverting the singular values.*

From [Harrow, Hassidim, Lloyd (2009)]:

$$\sum_{r=1}^R \sqrt{\lambda_r} |\psi_{\mathbf{v}_r}\rangle |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_r}\rangle |\lambda_r\rangle \left( \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{c}{\lambda_r}\right)^2} |0\rangle + \frac{c}{\lambda_r} |1\rangle \right)$$

$$\text{CM} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{p(1)}} \sum_{r=1}^R \frac{c}{\sqrt{\lambda_r}} |\psi_{\mathbf{v}_r}\rangle |\psi_{\mathbf{u}_r}\rangle$$





## QLG ALGORITHM

*Step 4: Classification of a new input.*

Define

$$|\psi_1\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{p(1)}} \sum_{r=1}^R \frac{c}{\sigma^r} |v^r\rangle |u^r\rangle,$$

$$|\psi_2\rangle := |\psi_{\mathbf{y}}\rangle |\psi_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}\rangle.$$

Prepare

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\psi_1\rangle |0\rangle + |\psi_2\rangle |1\rangle),$$

and the offdiagonal element of the ancilla's density matrix reads

$$\rho_{21} = \rho_{12} \propto \sum_r (\sqrt{\lambda_r^{-1}}) \sum_j v_j^r \tilde{x}_j \sum_m u_m^r y^{(m')}.$$



## RUNTIME

Excluding state preparation: Runtime roughly  $\mathcal{O}(\log N \kappa^2 \epsilon^{-3})$ .



## SUMMARY

- ▶ Quantum algorithm for unregularised linear regression
- ▶ Works for low-rank approximable 'covariance matrices'
- ▶ Exponentially fast in the dimension and number of training data if state preparation for free

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Conclusion

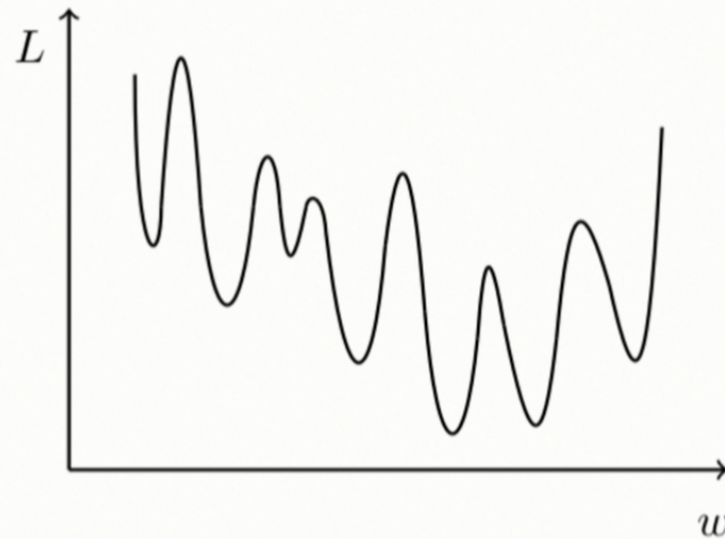


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## OUTLOOK

*Iterative optimisation methods*



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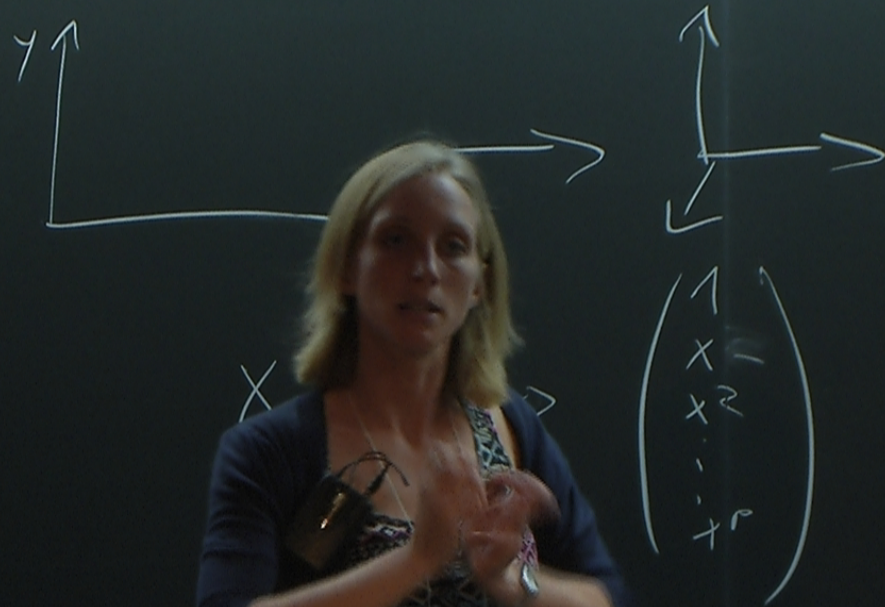


Conclusion



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$$\tilde{X} = \begin{pmatrix} X & 0 \\ 0 & X^T \end{pmatrix}$$





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