

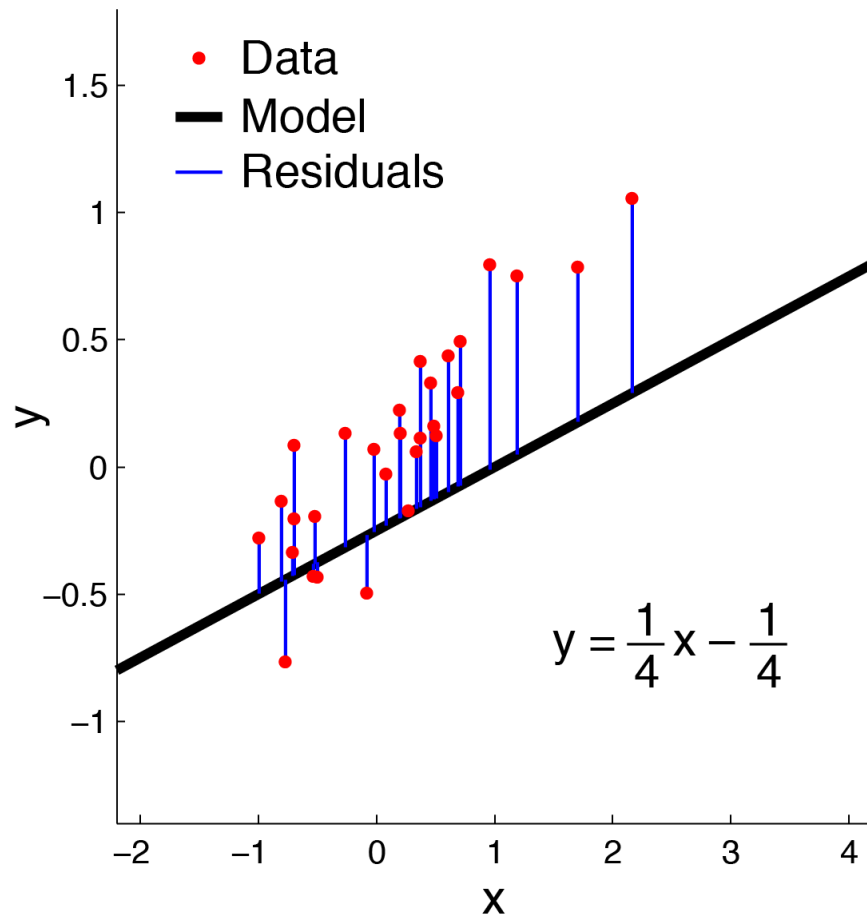
Statistics and Data Analysis in MATLAB

Lecture 4: Model fitting

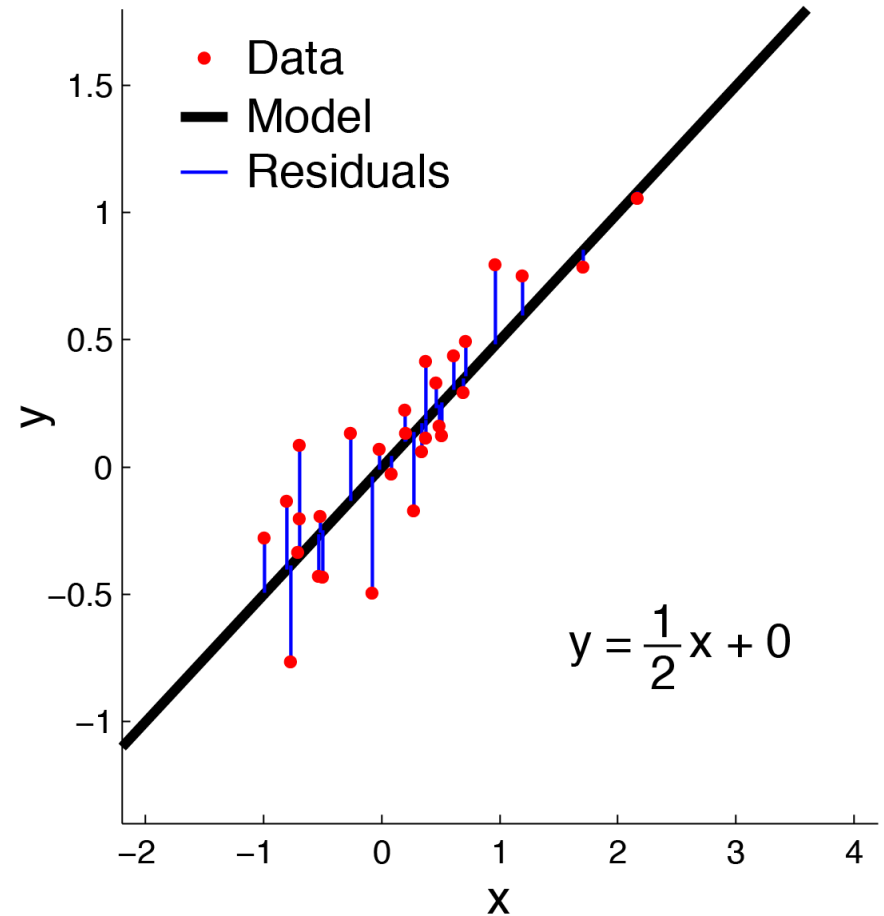
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$$\text{squared error} = \sum_{i=1}^n (d_i - m_i)^2$$

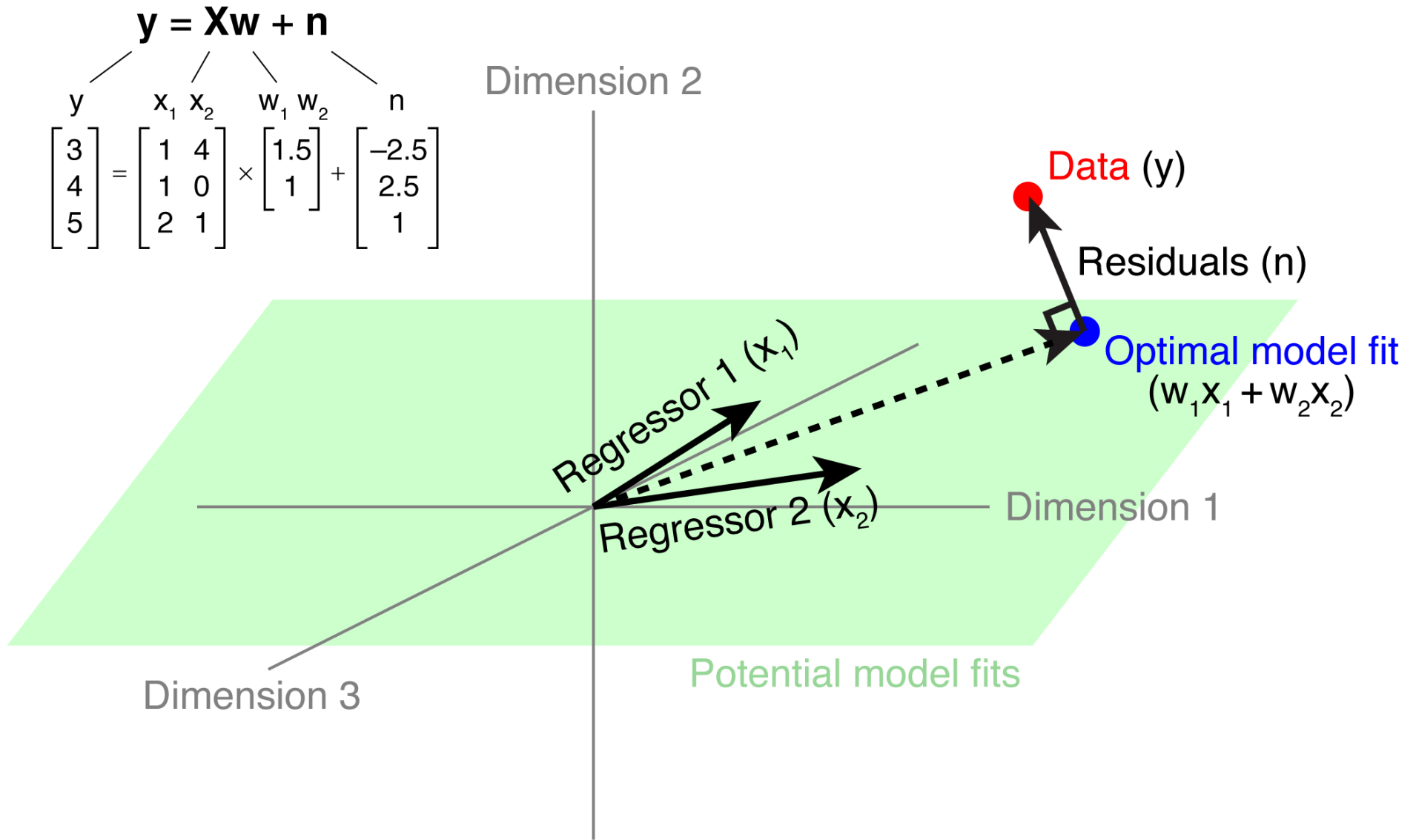
High squared error



Low squared error



Geometric interpretation of linear regression



Ordinary least-squares (OLS) solution

regressors \cdot residuals = 0

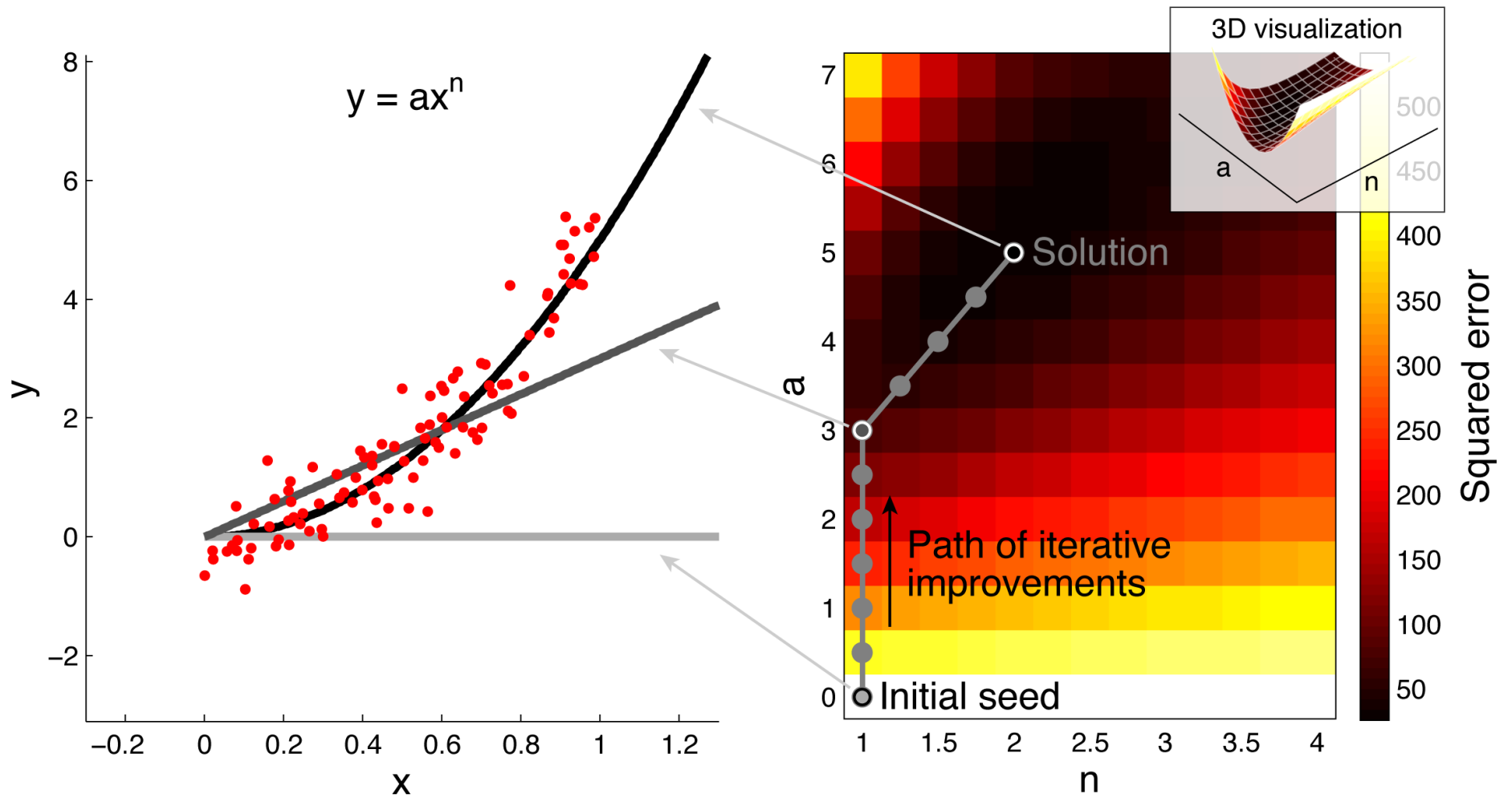
regressors \cdot (data – model fit) = 0

$$\mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{w}}^{\text{OLS}}) = \mathbf{0}$$

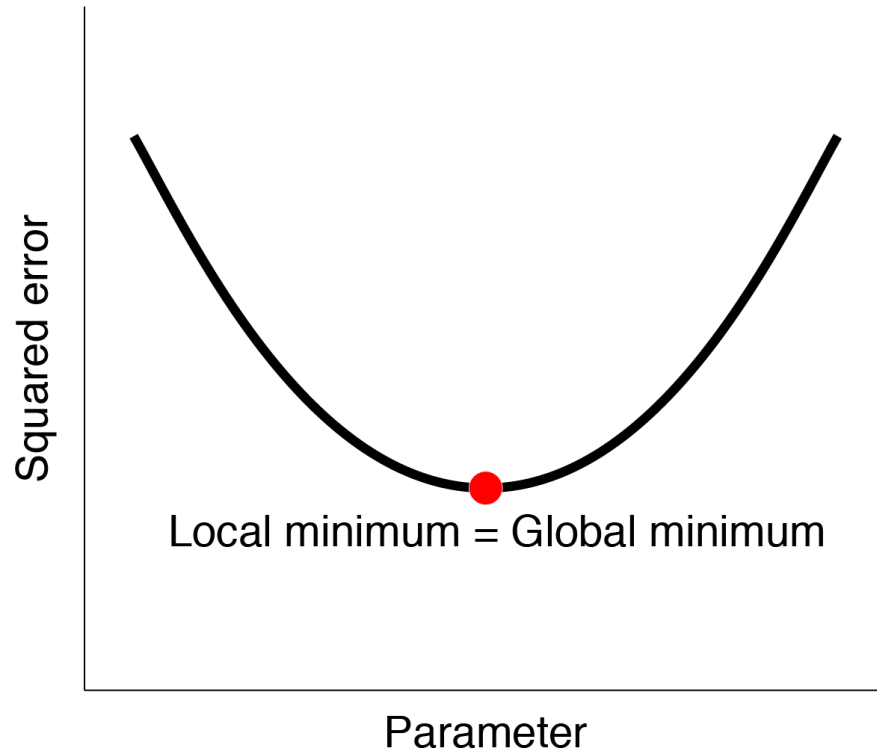
$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \hat{\mathbf{w}}^{\text{OLS}} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}}^{\text{OLS}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

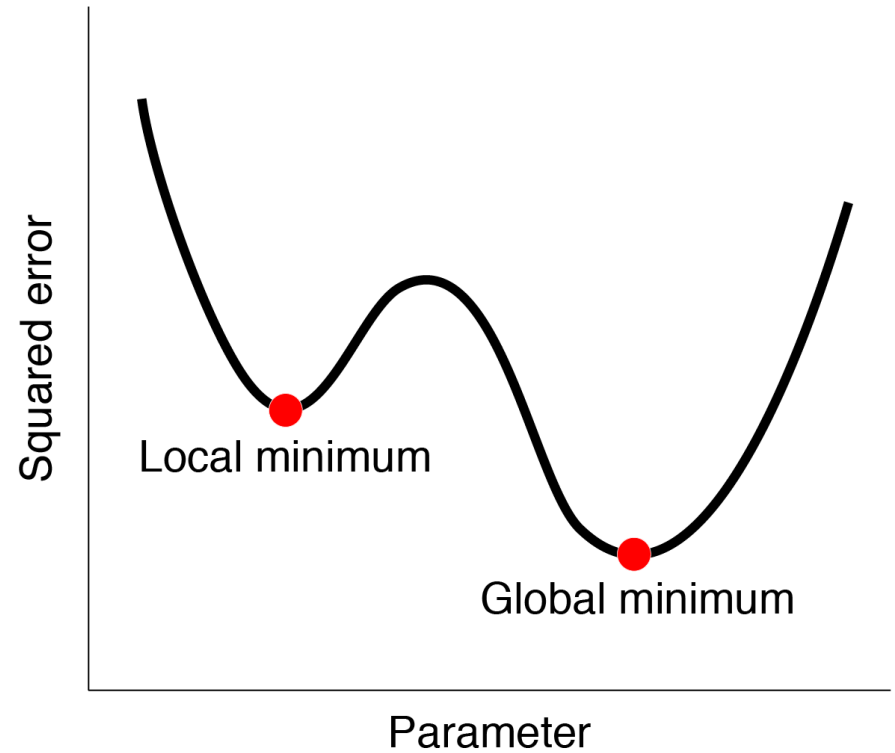
Fitting nonlinear models using local, iterative optimization



Linear models do not have local minima



Nonlinear models may have local minima



Maximum likelihood implies squared error

$$\text{likelihood}(d \mid m) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(d_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(d_i - m_i)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \max_m (\text{likelihood}(d \mid m)) \\ &= \arg \max_m (\log\text{-likelihood}(d \mid m)) \\ &= \arg \min_m (\text{negative-log-likelihood}(d \mid m)) \\ &= \arg \min_m \left(-\log \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(d_i - m_i)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) \right) \\ &= \arg \min_m \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \left(-\log \left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \right) + \frac{(d_i - m_i)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \right) \\ &= \arg \min_m \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(d_i - m_i)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \\ &= \arg \min_m \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (d_i - m_i)^2 \right) \\ &= \arg \min_m (\text{squared error}) \end{aligned}$$

Squared error vs. absolute error

