

ANALYTICAL OPTIMIZATION

- Special property of LM with L_2 loss: **analytical solution** available

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\theta} &\in \arg \min_{\theta} \mathcal{R}_{\text{emp}}(\theta) = \arg \min_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y^{(i)} - \theta^\top \mathbf{x}^{(i)} \right)^2 \\ &= \arg \min_{\theta} \| \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\theta \|_2^2\end{aligned}$$

- Find via **normal equations**

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{R}_{\text{emp}}(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

- Solution: **ordinary-least-squares (OLS)** estimator

$$\hat{\theta} = (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{y}$$

