Choose your Model wisely (Pen & Paper)

Fig. 1 shows 4 different data sets (A-D). Suggest a prediction model for each dataset such that the model is able to predict the dependent variable for an unseen sample given the sample's "Attribute 1"- value. Prefer simple models over complex models (complex models have many parameters and are more expensive in computation but are often more precise).



Global Minima of the Model Space

Find the best model parameters for an unknown prediction model: Unfortunately, neither the domain, nor the meaning of the two-parameter-model is known. Only the error function is available which calculates an error value given the two model parameters.

- Extract the directory BlackBox of the file "Lecture2.zip" and call the error function "blackBoxFunc.m" passing two parameters
- Find the point in the model space (the respective values of the model parameters) for which the error is minimal.
- Report the number of function calls you needed and describe your strategy of scanning the model space.

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