



10-301/601 Introduction to Machine Learning

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Logistic Regression + Feature Engineering + Regularization

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Reminders

- **Homework 4: Logistic Regression**
 - **Out: Fri, Oct. 1**
 - **Due: Mon, Oct. 11 at 11:59pm**

MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD ESTIMATION

MLE

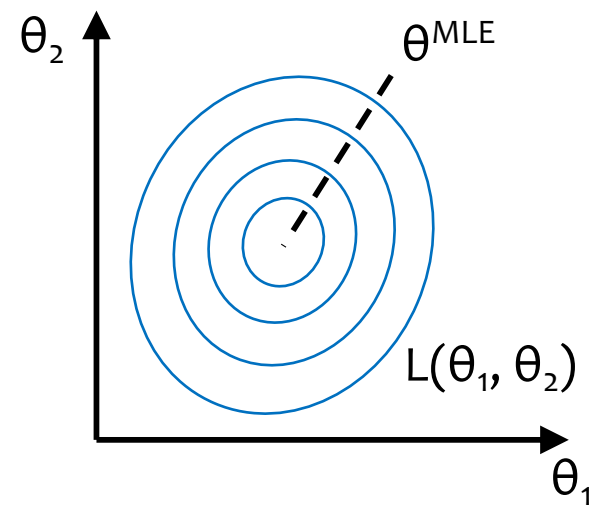
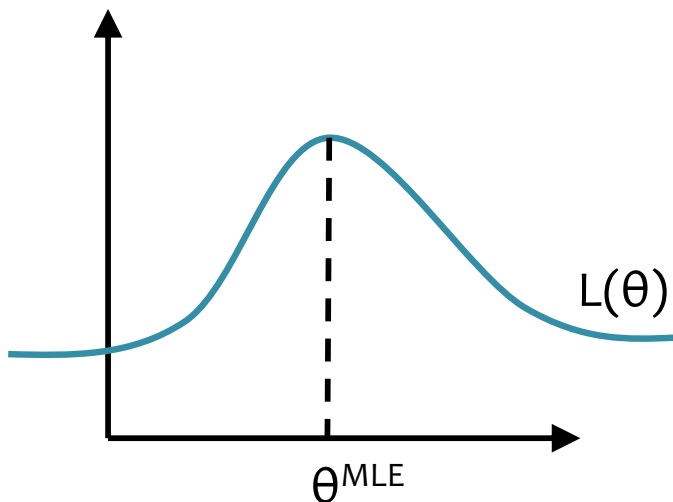
Suppose we have data $\mathcal{D} = \{x^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$

Principle of Maximum Likelihood Estimation:

Choose the parameters that maximize the likelihood of the data.

$$\theta^{\text{MLE}} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \prod_{i=1}^N p(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} | \theta)$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE)



MLE

What does maximizing likelihood accomplish?

- There is only a finite amount of probability mass (i.e. sum-to-one constraint)
- MLE tries to allocate **as much** probability mass **as possible** to the things we have observed...

... at the expense of the things we have **not** observed

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

The principle of Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE):

Choose parameters that make the data "most likely".

Assumptions: Data generated iid from distribution $p^*(x|\theta^*)$
and comes from a family of distn parameterized
 $\theta \in \Theta$ \leftarrow set of possible parameters

Formally:

$$\theta_{MLE} = \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(D|\theta)$$

$$= \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \log p(D|\theta)$$

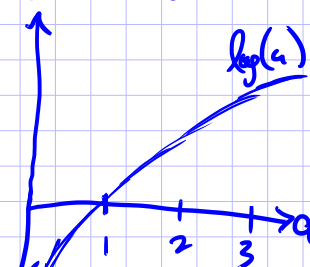
$$= \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \ell(\theta)$$

usually
a continuous
optimization \rightarrow

where $\ell(\theta) \triangleq \log p(D|\theta)$
 \leftarrow "log-likelihood"

\leftarrow treat as function of θ
where D is constant

since log is monotonic



$$\log(a_1) < \log(a_2)$$

$$\text{iff } a_1 < a_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(f(a_1)) < \log(f(a_2))$$

$$\text{iff } f(a_1) < f(a_2)$$

MOTIVATION: LOGISTIC REGRESSION

Example: Image Classification

- ImageNet LSVRC-2010 contest:
 - **Dataset:** 1.2 million labeled images, 1000 classes
 - **Task:** Given a new image, label it with the correct class
 - **Multiclass** classification problem
- Examples from <http://image-net.org/>

Bird

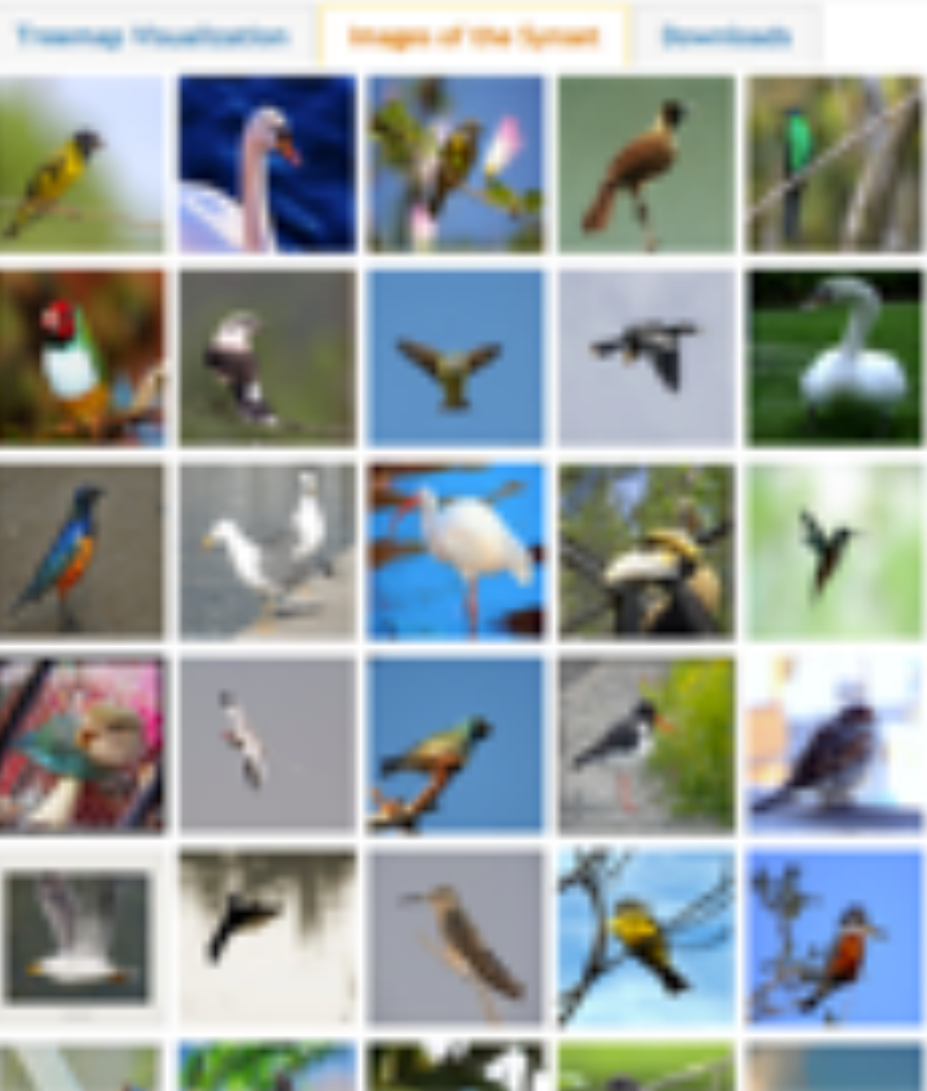
2126
instances

92.85%
accuracy
100000



Warm blooded egg-laying vertebrates characterized by feathers and forelimbs modified as wings

- marine animal, marine creature, sea animal, sea creature (7)
- scavenger (1)
- spool (0)
- predator, predatory animal (7)
- wren (0)
- crowbird (0)
- feeder (0)
- flycatcher (0)
- **chordata (3087)**
 - tubenose, unwhiskered, unwhiskered (0)
 - cephalochordata (7)
 - **vertebrata, animals (3077)**
 - mammal, mammalian (1100)
 - **bird (871)**
 - dickcissel, dickcissel bird, dickcissel, dickcissel bird (0)
 - cock (7)
 - hen (0)
 - hester (0)
 - night bird (7)
 - bird of passage (0)
 - grouse (0)
 - archaopteryx, archaopteryx, Archaopteryx lithographica (0)
 - sterna (0)
 - tern, ternidae (0)
 - archaoptera (0)
 - vulture, vulture bird, flightless bird (7)
 - caracara, caracara bird, flying bird (0)
 - passerine, passeriform bird (176)
 - longspine bird (0)
 - bird of prey, raptor, raptorial bird (0)
 - gull-troop bird, gull-troop (114)



German iris, *Iris kochii*

Iris of northern Italy having deep blue-purple flowers; similar to but smaller than *Iris germanica*

409
images

475.0%
Resizability
Indexed



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- helophyte (2)
- succulent (26)
- cultivar (2)
- cultivated plant (2)
- weed (24)
- evergreen, evergreen plant (2)
- deciduous plant (2)
- vine (27)
- creeper (2)
- woody plant, agnate plant (188)
- geophyte (2)
- desert plant, xerophyte, xerophyte plant, xerophite, xerophite
- mesophyte, mesophyte plant (2)
- aquatic plant, water plant, hydrophyte, hydrophyte plant (1)
- tuberous plant (2)
- bulbous plant (17)
- **indecussate plant (27)**
 - **iris, flag, fleur-de-lis, sword lily (18)**
 - **bearded iris (4)**
 - florentine iris, aris, iris germanica florentina, iris
 - german iris, iris germanica (2)
 - **german iris, iris kochii (2)**
 - germanian iris, iris pallida (2)
 - beardless iris (4)
 - bulbous iris (2)
 - dwarf iris, iris cristata (2)
 - striking iris, gladden, gladden iris, striking gladden,
 - florent-iris, iris germanica (2)
 - yellow iris, yellow flag, yellow water flag, iris pseudacorus
 - dwarf iris, varietal iris, iris varietal (2)
 - blue flag, iris versicolor (2)

Court, courtyard

An area wholly or partly surrounded by walls or buildings, "the house was built around an inner court"

145 images

92,676 Synsets



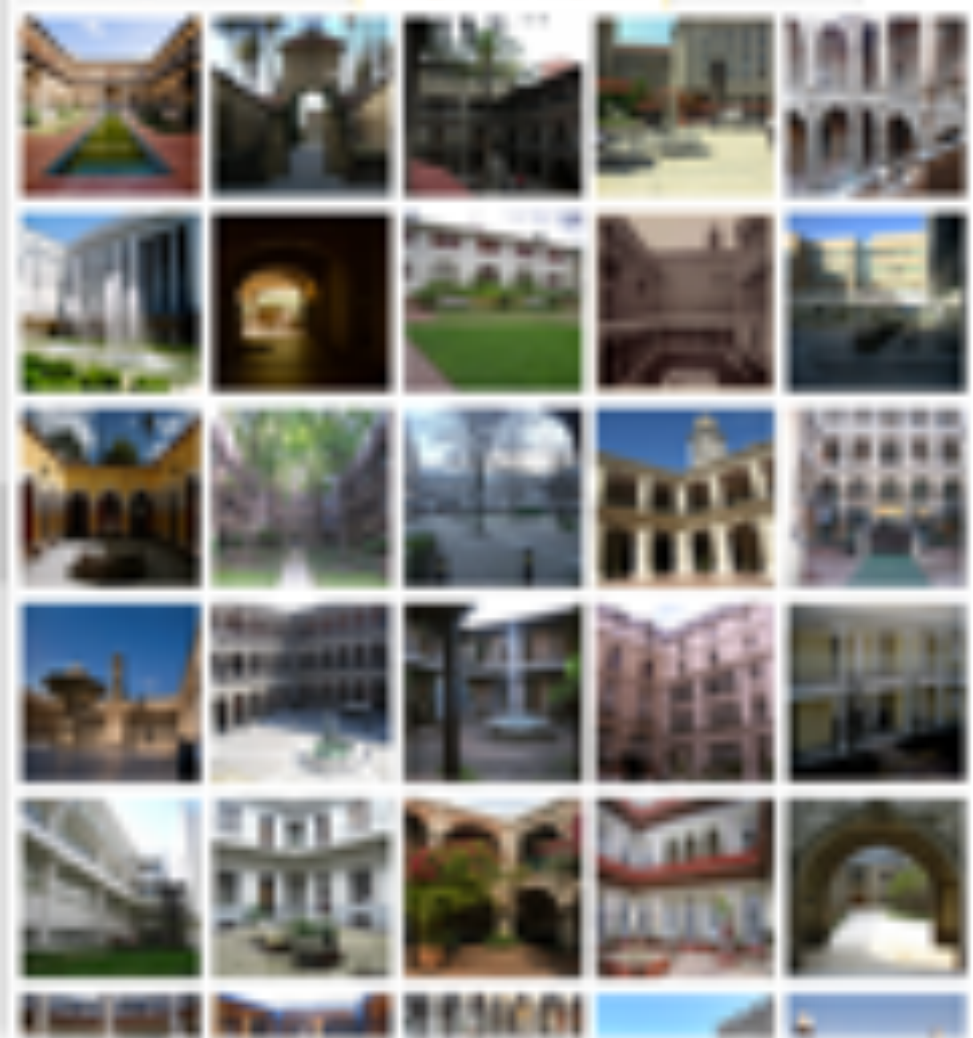
Number of synsets (the number of synsets in the address)

- Imagenet 2011 Fall Release (34526)
 - plant, flora, plant life (4488)
 - geological formation, formation (173)
 - natural object (1112)
 - sport, athletics (178)
 - artifact, artifact (10106)
 - instrumentality, instrumentality (3494)
 - structure, construction (1408)
 - architect, design, architectural (2)
 - other (1)
 - arcade, colonnade (1)
 - arch (21)
 - area (344)
 - area (2)
 - auditorium (1)
 - beverage item (2)
 - box (1)
 - breakfast area, breakfast room (2)
 - bulge (2)
 - channel, sanctuary, same (2)
 - other (2)
 - corner, rock (2)
 - cloth, clothed (2)
 - arm (2)
 - belly (2)
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 - foot cover (2)
 - forearm (2)
 - hand (2)

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Example: Image Classification

CNN for Image Classification

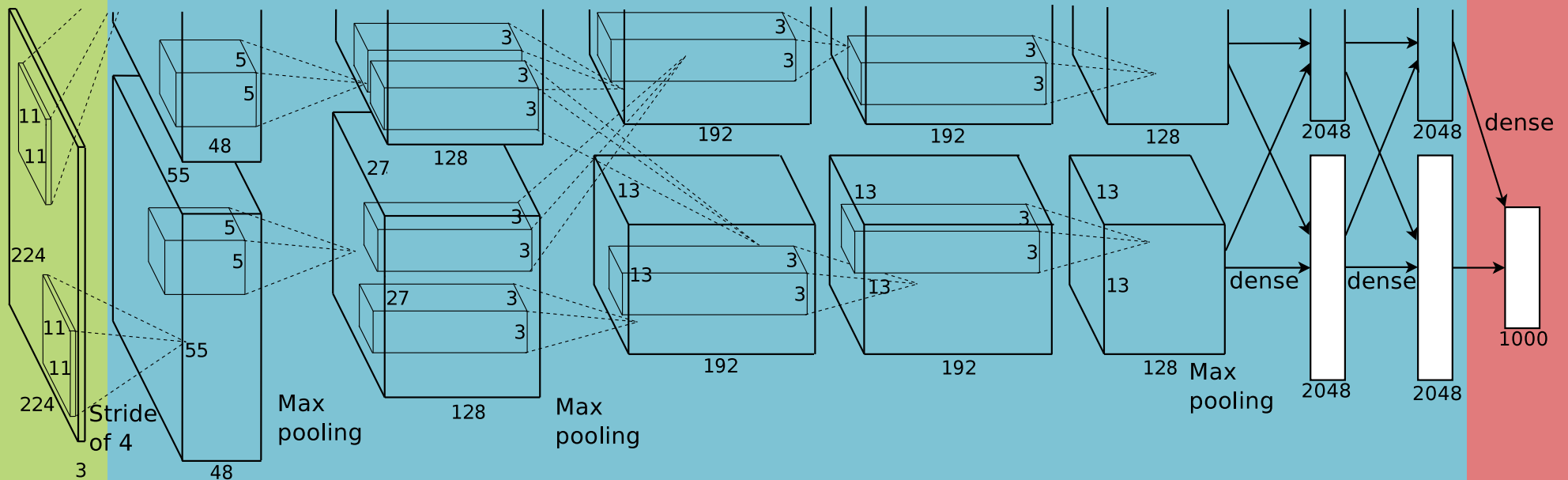
(Krizhevsky, Sutskever & Hinton, 2011)

17.5% error on ImageNet LSVRC-2010 contest

Input image (pixels)

- Five convolutional layers (w/max-pooling)
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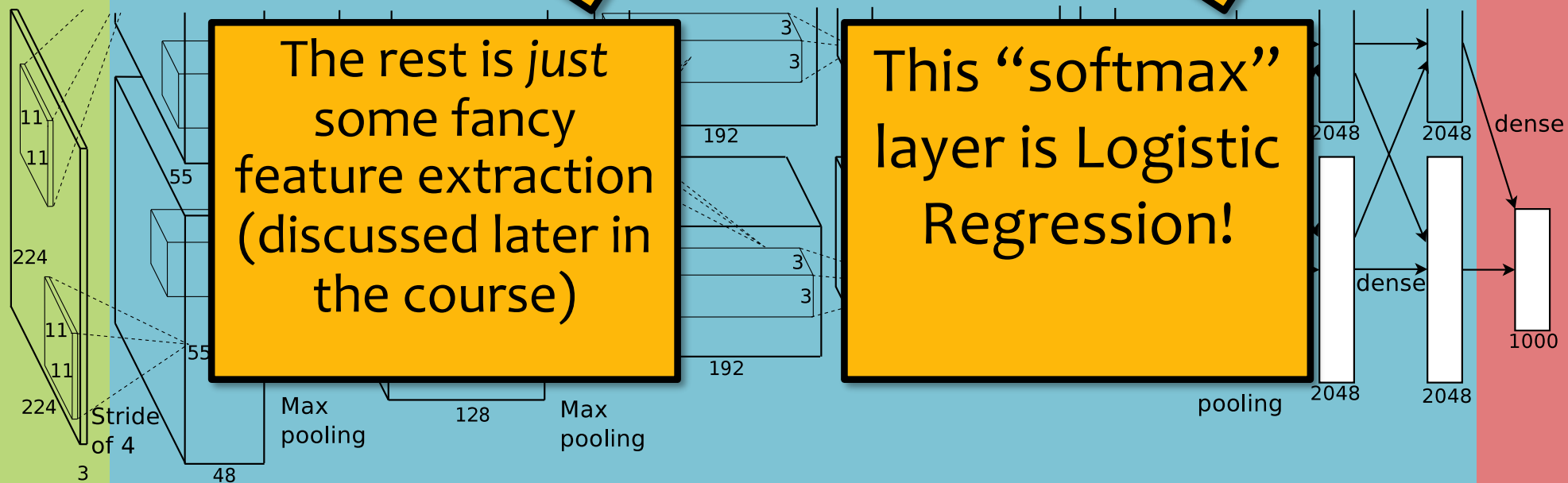
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The rest is *just* some fancy feature extraction (discussed later in the course)

This “softmax” layer is Logistic Regression!




LOGISTIC REGRESSION

Logistic Regression

Data: Inputs are continuous vectors of length M . Outputs are discrete.

$$\mathcal{D} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N \text{ where } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^M \text{ and } y \in \{0, 1\}$$



We are back to
classification.

Despite the name
logistic regression.

Recall...

Linear Models for Classification

Key idea: Try to learn this hyperplane directly

Looking ahead:

- We'll see a number of commonly used Linear Classifiers
- These include:
 - Perceptron
 - Logistic Regression
 - Naïve Bayes (under certain conditions)
 - Support Vector Machines

Directly modeling the hyperplane would use a decision function:

$$h(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x})$$

for:

$$y \in \{-1, +1\}$$

Recall...

Background: Hyperplanes

Notation Trick: fold the bias b and the weights w into a single vector θ by prepending a constant to x and increasing dimensionality by one to get x' !

Hyperplane (Definition 1):

$$\mathcal{H} = \{ \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} = b \}$$

Hyperplane (Definition 2):

$$\mathcal{H} = \{ \mathbf{x}' : \theta^T \mathbf{x}' = 0$$

$$\text{and } x'_1 = 1 \}$$

$$\theta = [b, w_1, \dots, w_M]^T$$

$$\mathbf{x}' = [1, x_1, \dots, x_M]^T$$

Half-spaces:

$$\mathcal{H}^+ = \{ \mathbf{x} : \theta^T \mathbf{x} > 0 \text{ and } x_1 = 1 \}$$

$$\mathcal{H}^- = \{ \mathbf{x} : \theta^T \mathbf{x} < 0 \text{ and } x_1 = 1 \}$$

Using gradient ascent for linear classifiers

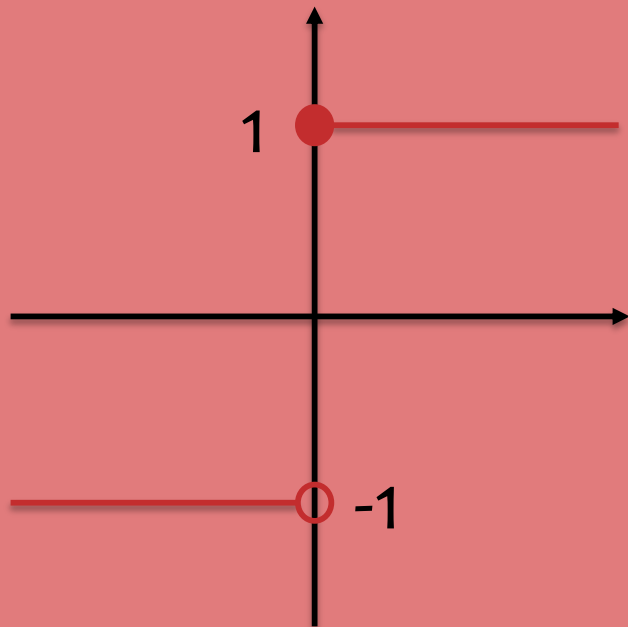
Key idea behind today's lecture:

1. Define a linear classifier (logistic regression)
2. Define an objective function (likelihood)
3. Optimize it with gradient descent to learn parameters
4. Predict the class with highest probability under the model

Using gradient ascent for linear classifiers

Suppose we wanted to learn a linear classifier, but instead of predicting $y \in \{-1, +1\}$ we wanted to predict $y \in \{0, 1\}$

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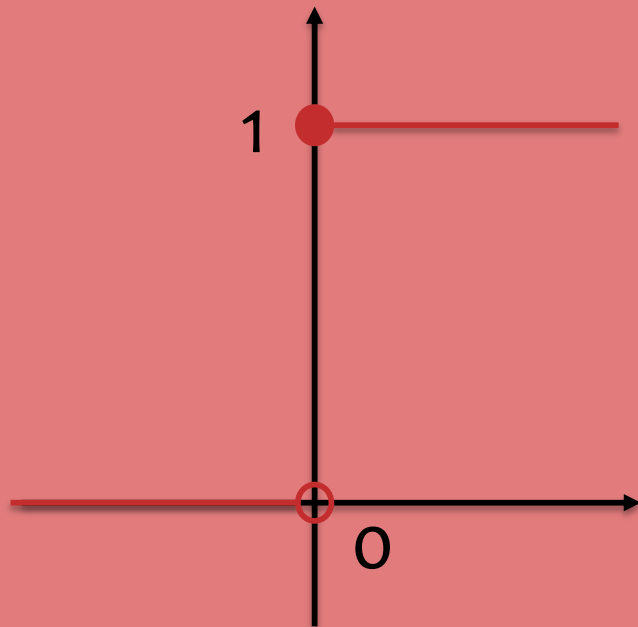


$\text{sign}(u)$

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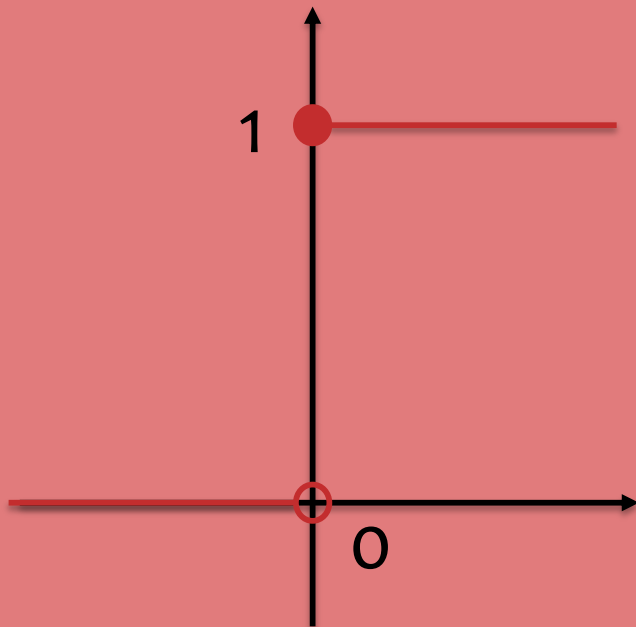
“sign”(u)

Goal: Learn a linear classifier with Gradient Descent

Using gradient ascent for linear classifiers

But this decision function isn't differentiable...

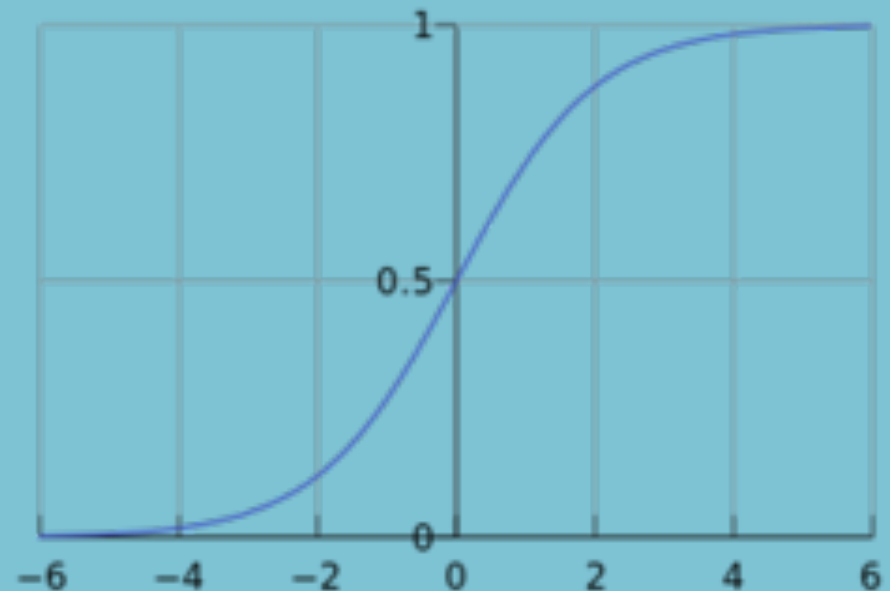
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“sign”(u)

Use a differentiable function instead!

$$p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x})}$$



$$\text{logistic}(u) \equiv \frac{1}{1 + e^{-u}}$$

Logistic Regression

Whiteboard

- Conceptual Change: 2D classification in 3D
- Why is it called *Logistic Regression* and not *Logistic Classification*?

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Model: Logistic function applied to dot product of parameters with input vector.

$$p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \mathbf{x})}$$

Learning: finds the parameters that minimize some objective function. $\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \underset{\boldsymbol{\theta}}{\operatorname{argmin}} J(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

Prediction: Output is the most probable class.

$$\hat{y} = \underset{y \in \{0, 1\}}{\operatorname{argmax}} p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(y | \mathbf{x})$$

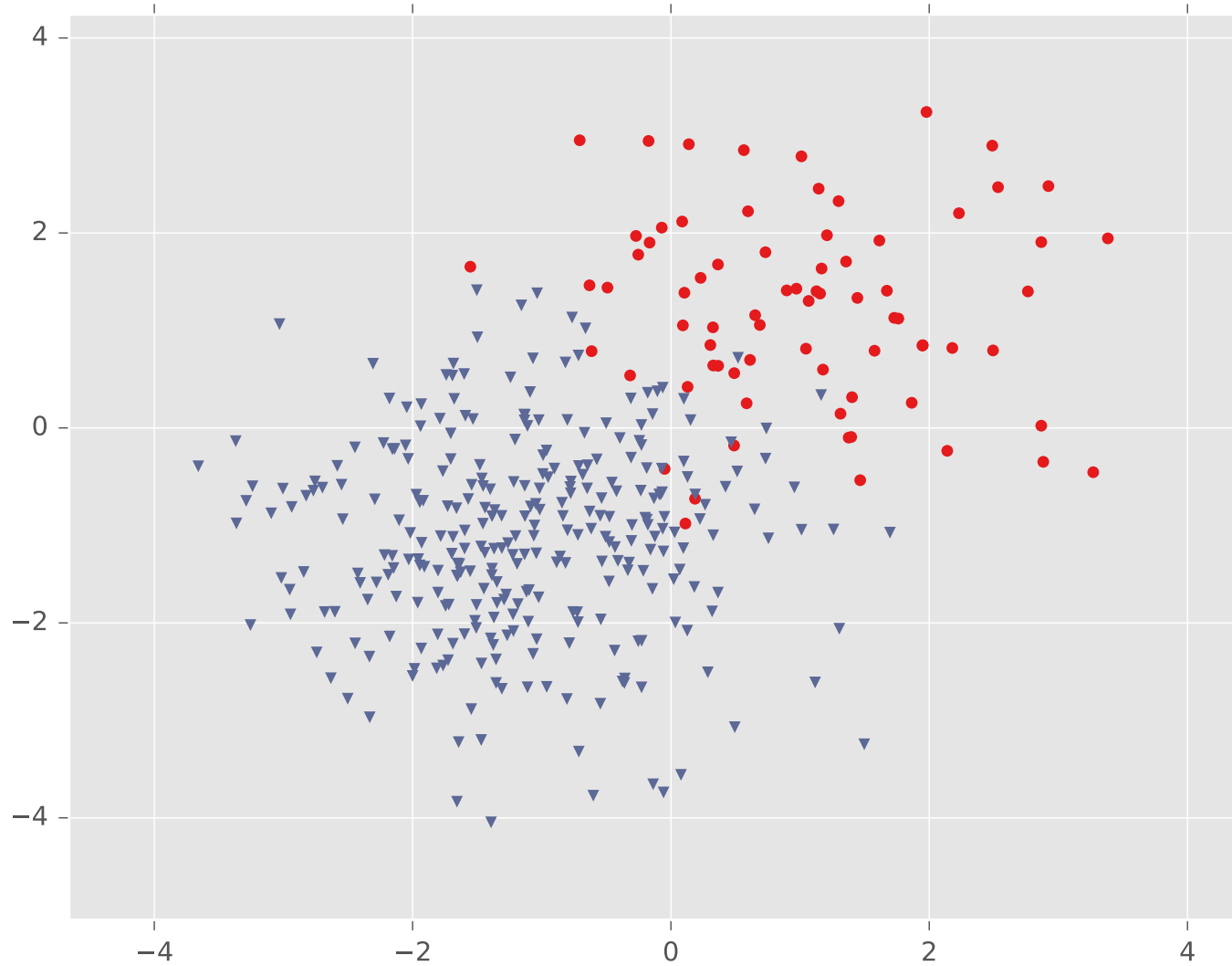
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Whiteboard

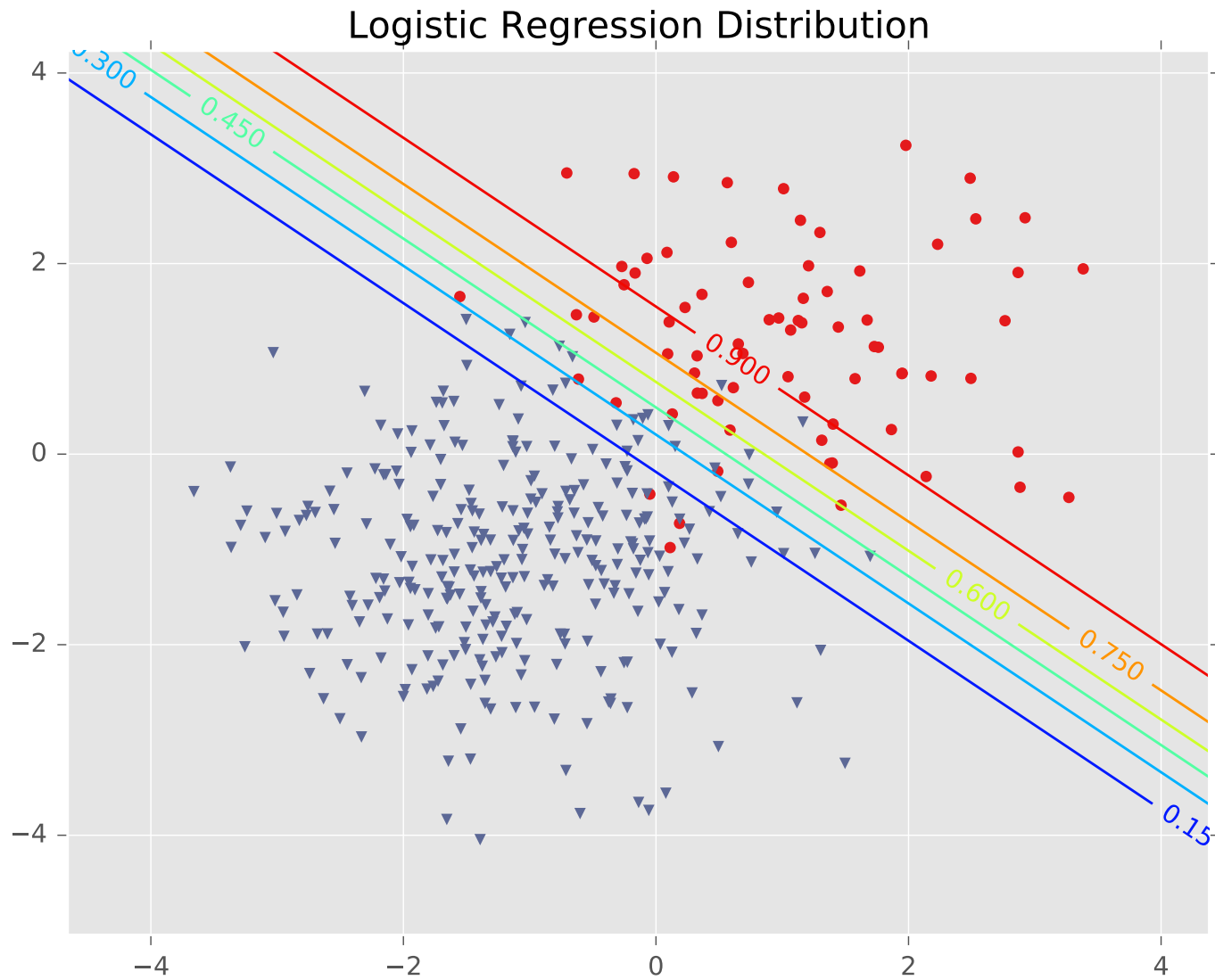
- Logistic Regression Model
- Partial derivative for logistic regression
- Gradient for logistic regression
- Decision boundary

LOGISTIC REGRESSION ON GAUSSIAN DATA

Logistic Regression

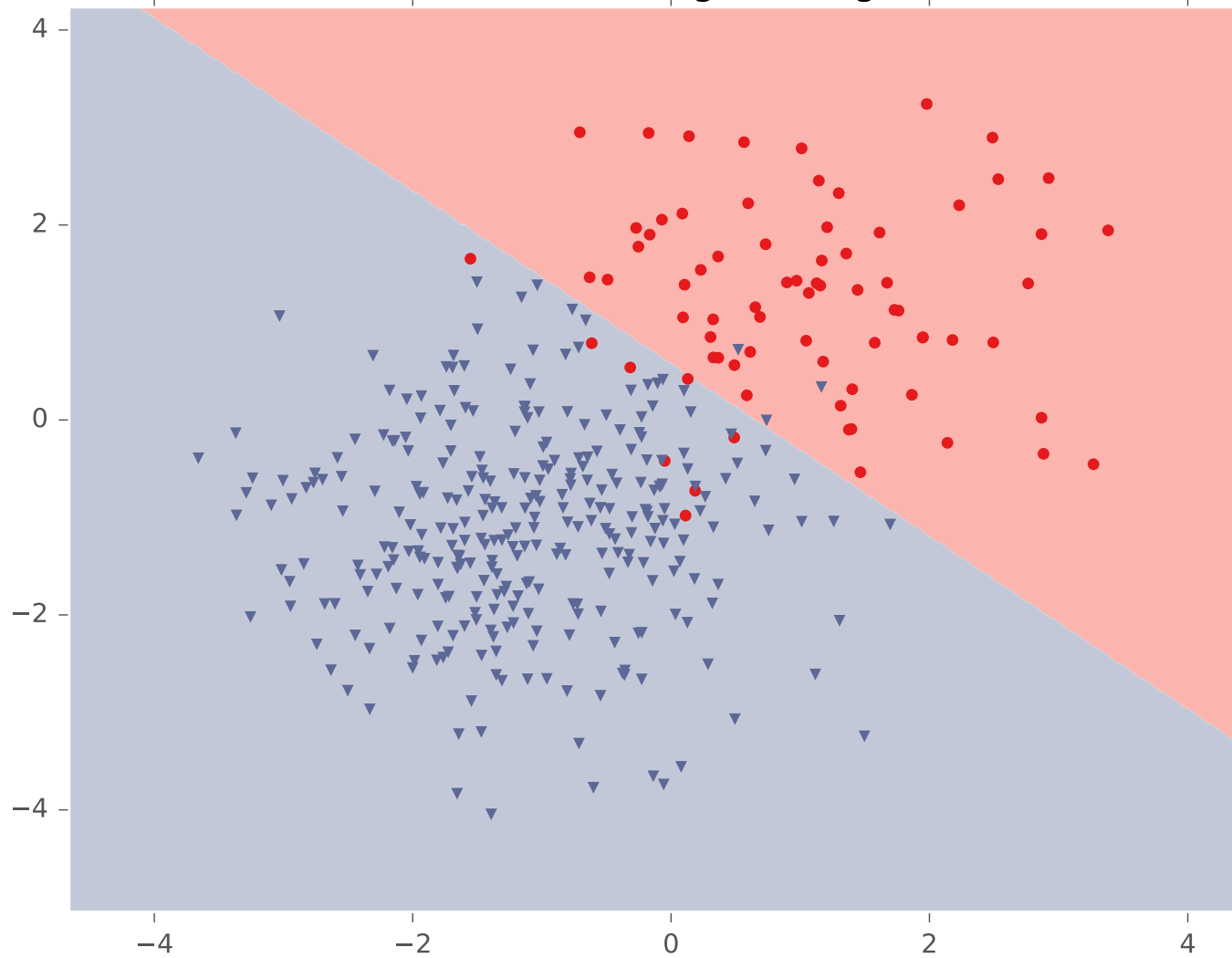


Logistic Regression



Logistic Regression

Classification with Logistic Regression



LEARNING LOGISTIC REGRESSION

Maximum Conditional Likelihood Estimation

Learning: finds the parameters that minimize some objective function.

$$\theta^* = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} J(\theta)$$

We minimize the *negative* log conditional likelihood:

$$J(\theta) = -\log \prod_{i=1}^N p_{\theta}(y^{(i)} | \mathbf{x}^{(i)})$$

Why?

1. We can't maximize likelihood (as in Naïve Bayes) because we don't have a joint model $p(\mathbf{x}, y)$
2. It worked well for Linear Regression (least squares is MCLE)

Maximum Conditional Likelihood Estimation

Learning: Four approaches to solving $\theta^* = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} J(\theta)$

Approach 1: Gradient Descent

(take larger – more certain – steps opposite the gradient)

Approach 2: Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)

(take many small steps opposite the gradient)

Approach 3: Newton's Method

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Approach 4: Closed Form???

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Logistic Regression does not have a closed form solution for MLE parameters.

SGD for Logistic Regression

Question:

Which of the following is a correct description of SGD for Logistic Regression?

Answer:

At each step (i.e. iteration) of SGD for Logistic Regression we...

- A. (1) compute the gradient of the log-likelihood for all examples (2) update all the parameters using the gradient
- B. (1) ask Matt for a description of SGD for Logistic Regression, (2) write it down, (3) report that answer
- C. (1) compute the gradient of the log-likelihood for all examples (2) randomly pick an example (3) update only the parameters for that example
- D. (1) randomly pick a parameter, (2) compute the partial derivative of the log-likelihood with respect to that parameter, (3) update that parameter for all examples
- E. (1) randomly pick an example, (2) compute the gradient of the log-likelihood for that example, (3) update all the parameters using that gradient
- F. (1) randomly pick a parameter and an example, (2) compute the gradient of the log-likelihood for that example with respect to that parameter, (3) update that parameter using that gradient

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10:00
10:05
10:10
10:15
10:20
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10:35
10:40
10:45
10:50
10:55
11:00

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Question 1

A

B

C

D

E

F

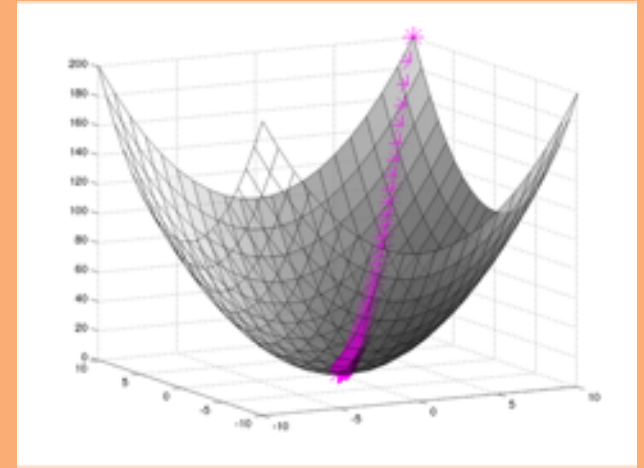
Gradient Descent

Algorithm 1 Gradient Descent

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1: procedure GD( $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\theta^{(0)}$ )
2:    $\theta \leftarrow \theta^{(0)}$ 
3:   while not converged do
4:      $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \gamma \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta)$ 
5:   return  $\theta$ 

```



In order to apply GD to Logistic Regression all we need is the **gradient** of the objective function (i.e. vector of partial derivatives).

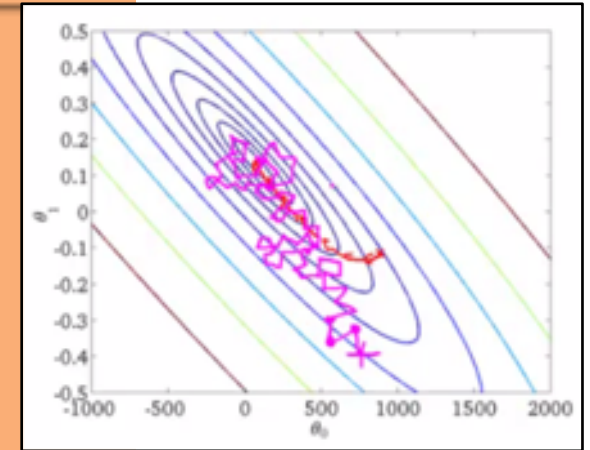
$$\nabla_{\theta} J(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{d\theta_1} J(\theta) \\ \frac{d}{d\theta_2} J(\theta) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{d}{d\theta_M} J(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall...

Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)

Algorithm 1 Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)

```
1: procedure SGD( $\mathcal{D}, \theta^{(0)}$ )
2:    $\theta \leftarrow \theta^{(0)}$ 
3:   while not converged do
4:     for  $i \in \text{shuffle}(\{1, 2, \dots, N\})$  do
5:        $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \gamma \nabla_{\theta} J^{(i)}(\theta)$ 
6:   return  $\theta$ 
```



We can also apply SGD to solve the MCLE problem for Logistic Regression.

We need a per-example objective:

$$\text{Let } J(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{i=1}^N J^{(i)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

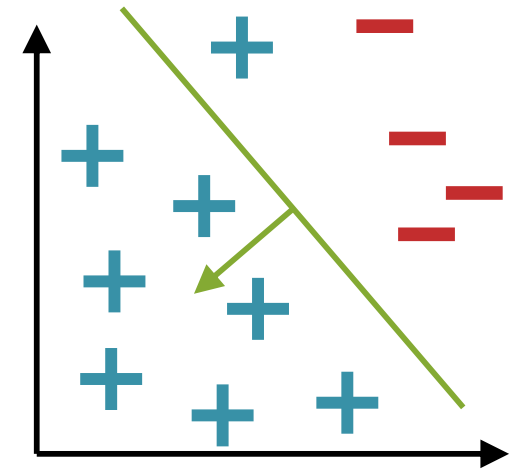
where $J^{(i)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\log p_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(y^i | \mathbf{x}^i)$.

Logistic Regression vs. Perceptron

Question:

True or False: Just like Perceptron, **one step** (i.e. iteration) of **SGD for Logistic Regression** will result in a change to the parameters **only** if the current example is **incorrectly** classified.

Answer:



Question 2

A

B

C

OPTIMIZATION METHOD #4: MINI-BATCH SGD

Mini-Batch SGD

- **Gradient Descent:**
Compute true gradient exactly from all N examples
- **Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD):**
Approximate true gradient by the gradient of one randomly chosen example
- **Mini-Batch SGD:**
Approximate true gradient by the average gradient of K randomly chosen examples

Mini-Batch SGD

while not converged: $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \lambda g$

Three variants of first-order optimization:

Gradient Descent: $g = \nabla J(\theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla J^{(i)}(\theta)$

SGD: $g = \nabla J^{(i)}(\theta)$ where i sampled uniformly

Mini-batch SGD: $g = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S \nabla J^{(i_s)}(\theta)$ where i_s sampled uniformly $\forall s$

Logistic Regression Objectives

You should be able to...

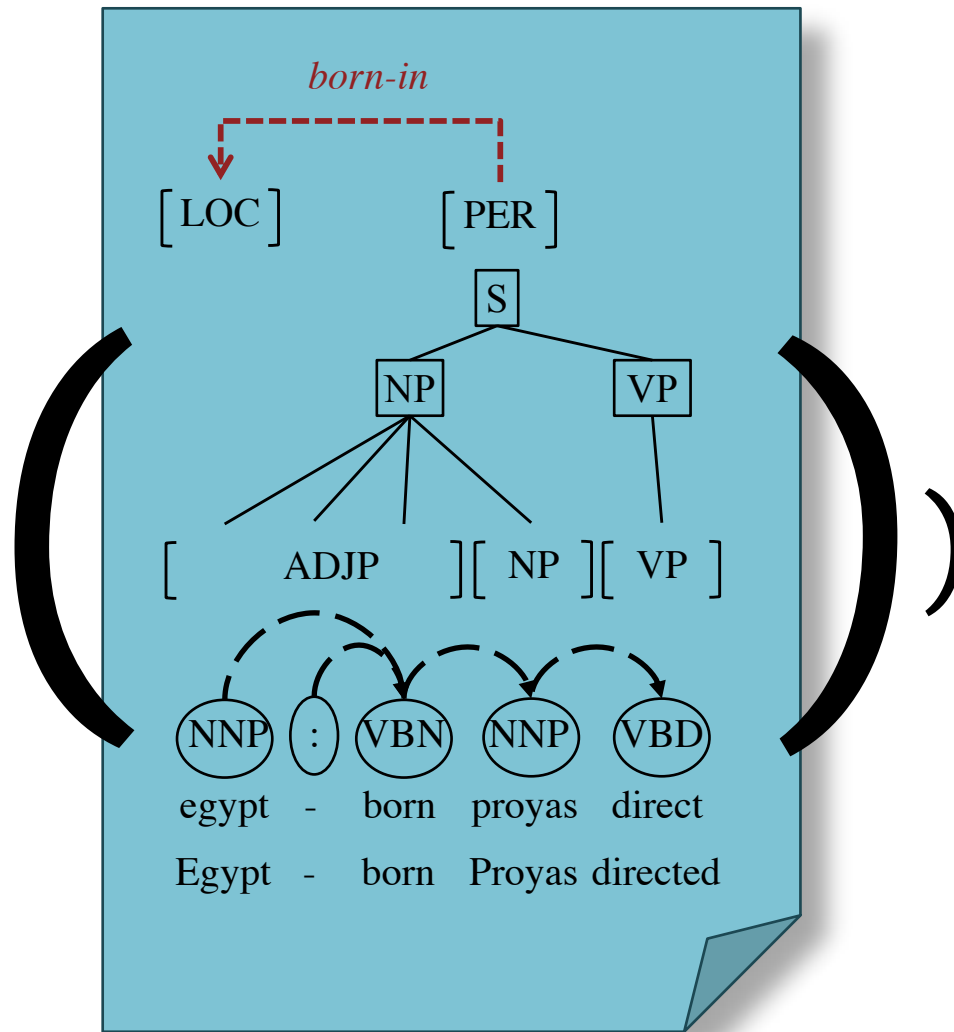
- Apply the principle of maximum likelihood estimation (MLE) to learn the parameters of a probabilistic model
- Given a discriminative probabilistic model, derive the conditional log-likelihood, its gradient, and the corresponding Bayes Classifier
- Explain the practical reasons why we work with the **log** of the likelihood
- Implement logistic regression for binary or multiclass classification
- Prove that the decision boundary of binary logistic regression is linear
- For linear regression, show that the parameters which minimize squared error are equivalent to those that maximize conditional likelihood

FEATURE ENGINEERING

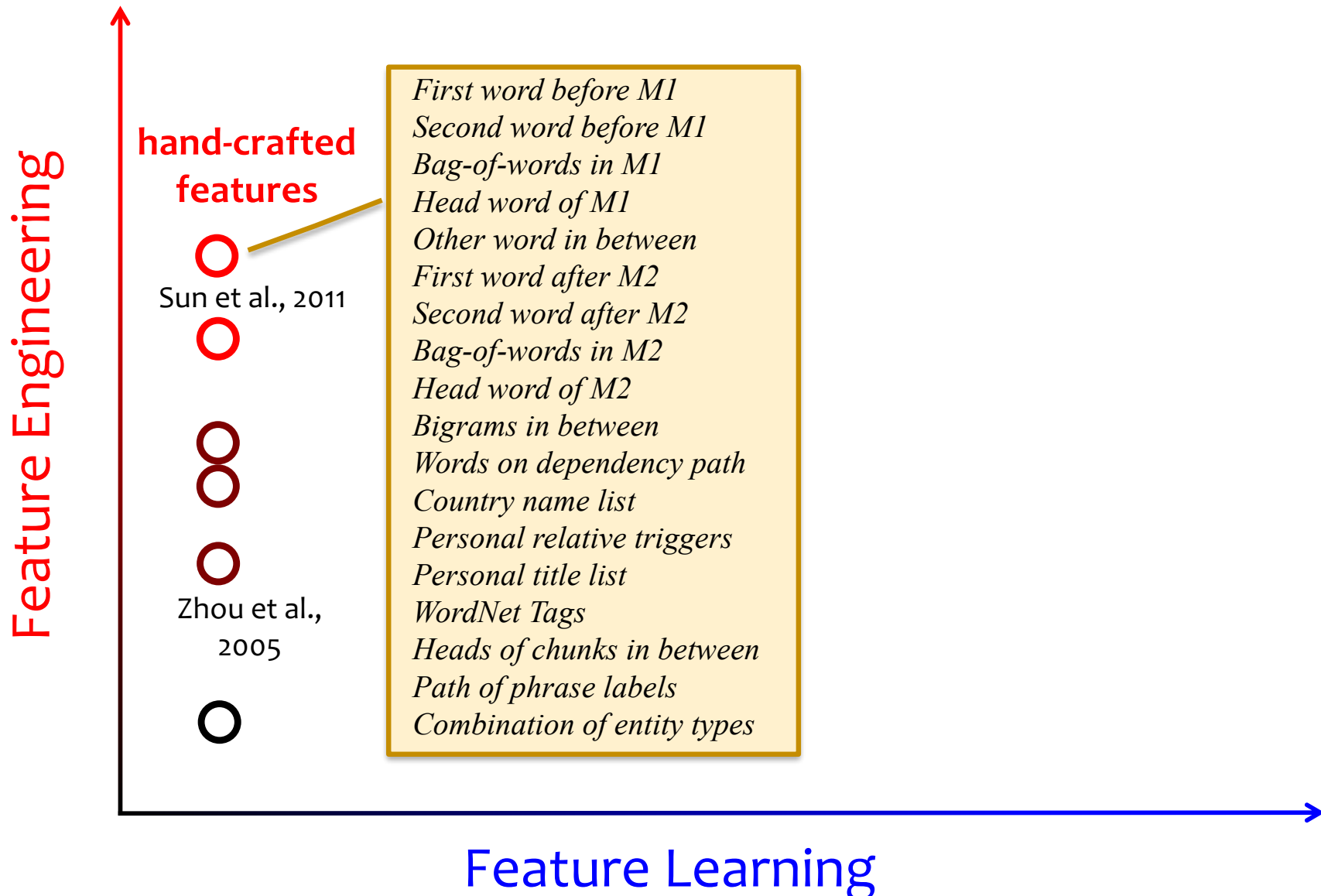
Handcrafted Features

$$p(y|x) \propto$$

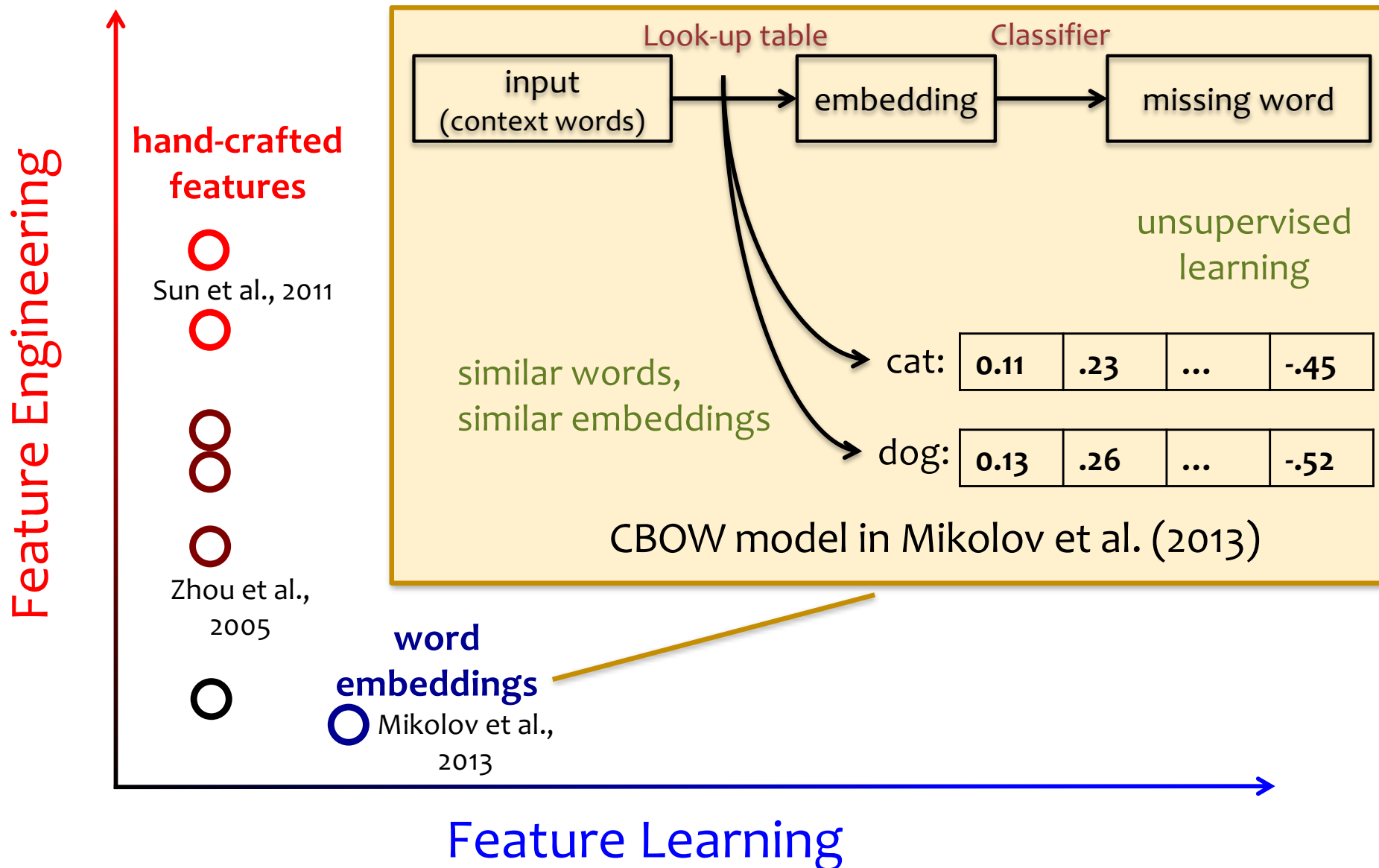
$$\exp(\Theta_y \cdot f)$$



Where do features come from?

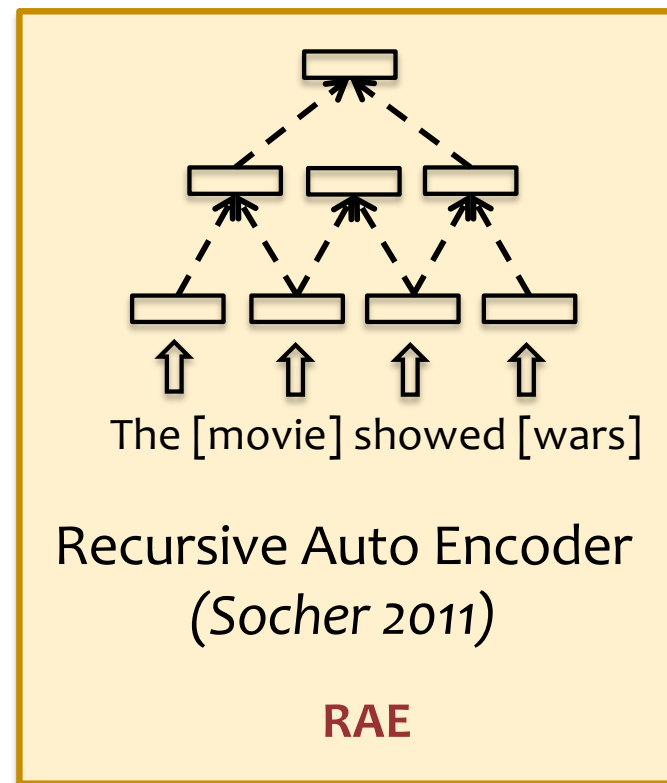
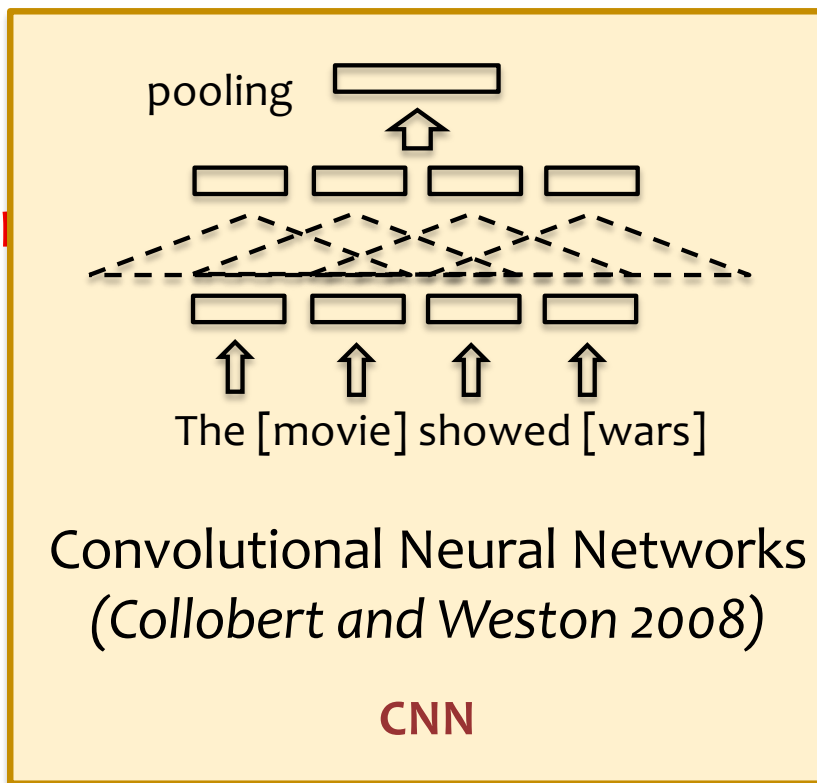


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Feature Engineering



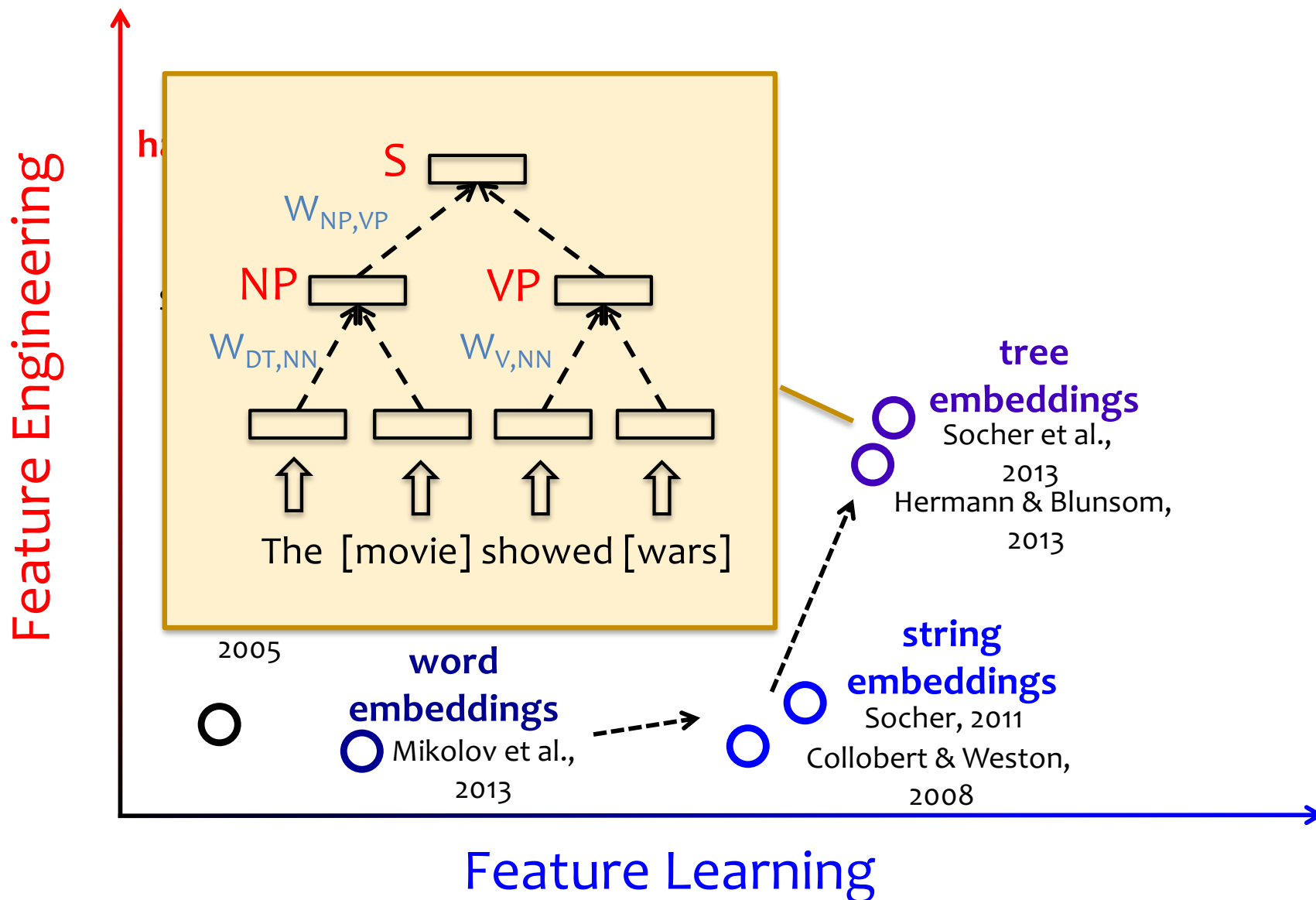
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word
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Mikolov et al.,
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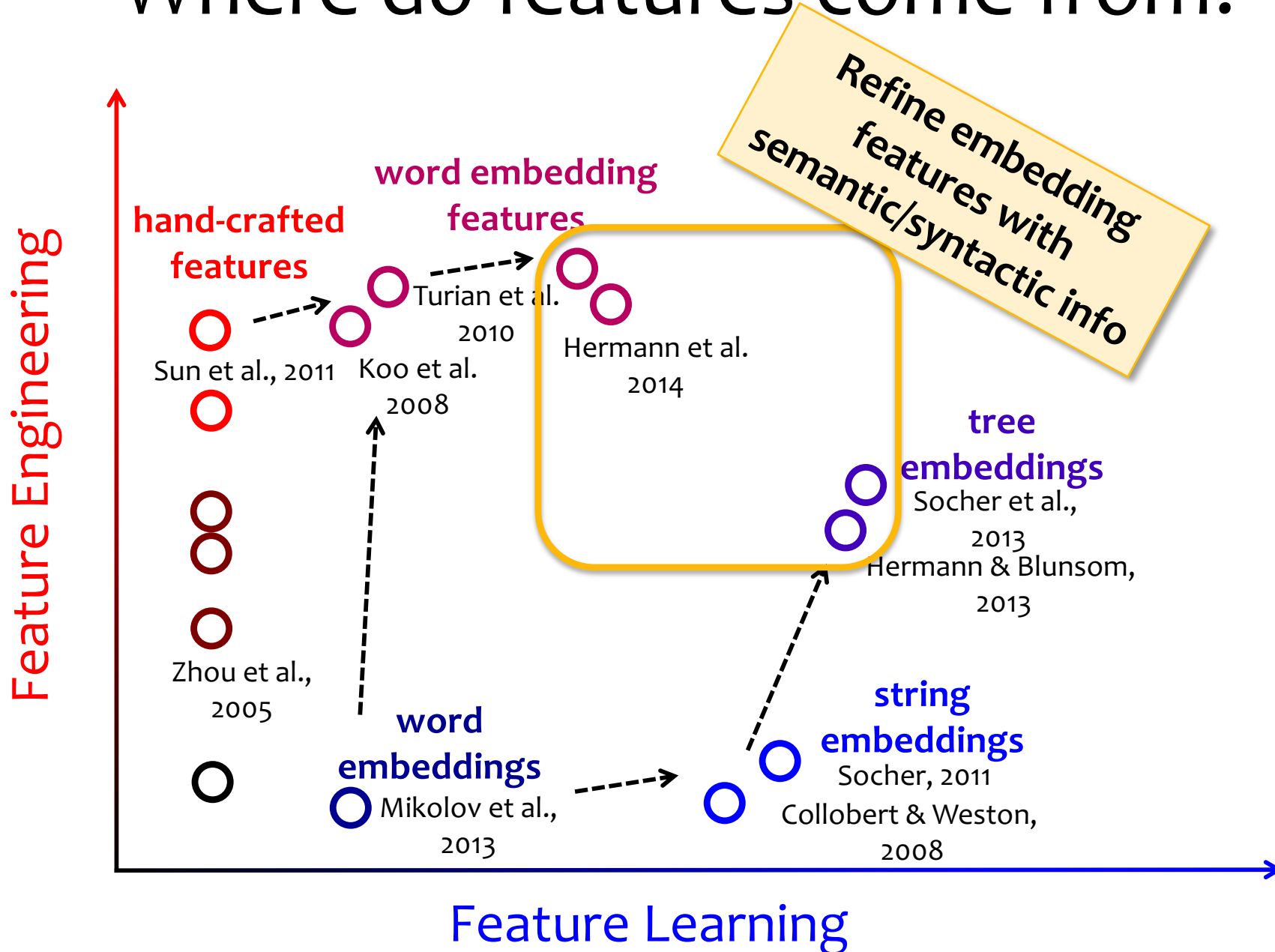
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Feature Learning

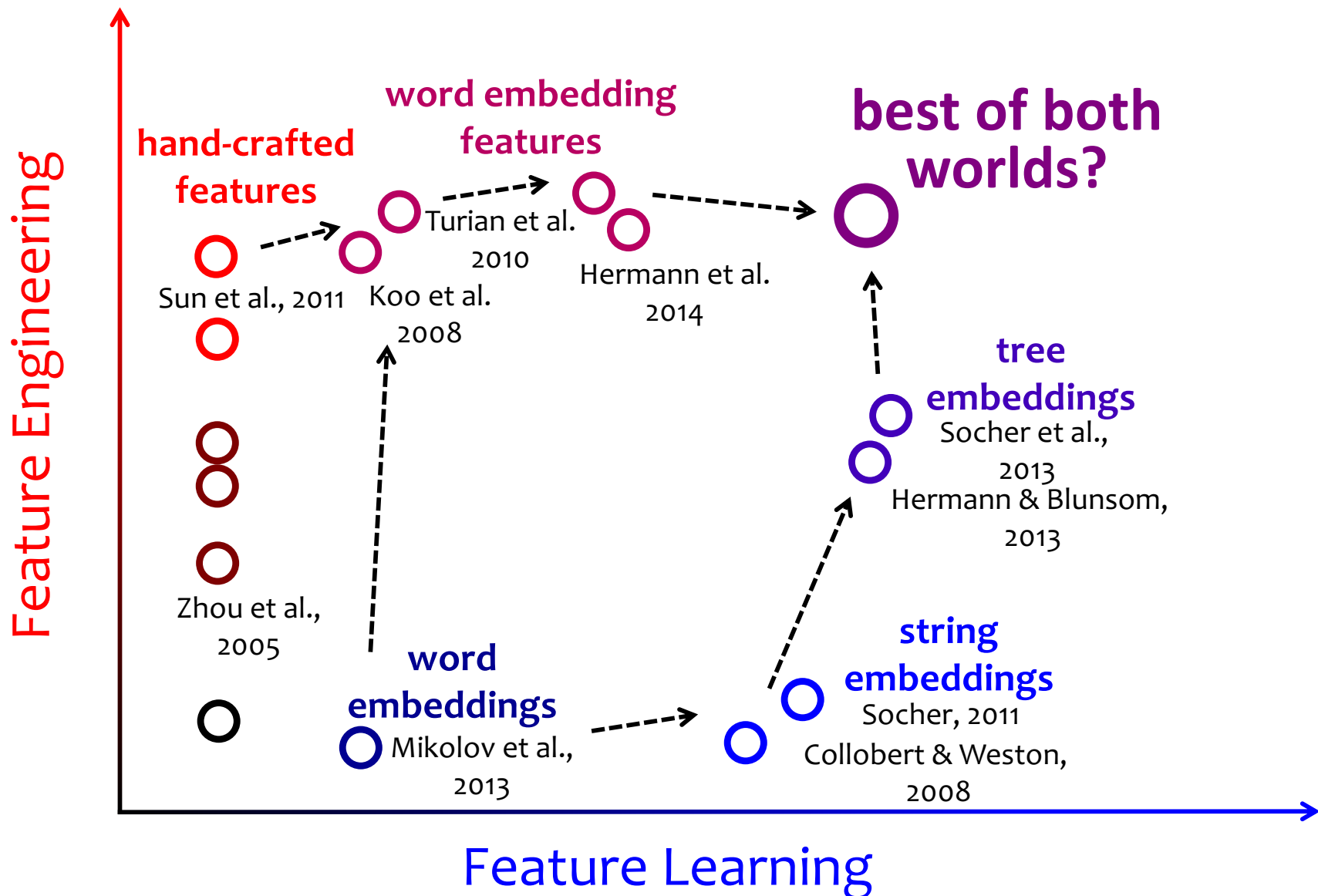
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Feature Engineering for NLP

Suppose you build a logistic regression model to predict a part-of-speech (POS) tag for each word in a sentence.

What features should you use?

deter.	noun	noun	verb	verb	noun
<i>The</i>	<i>movie</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>watched</i>	<i>depicted</i>	<i>hope</i>

Feature Engineering for NLP

Per-word Features:

	$x^{(1)}$	$x^{(2)}$	$x^{(3)}$	$x^{(4)}$	$x^{(5)}$	$x^{(6)}$
<code>is-capital(w_i)</code>	1	0	1	0	0	0
<code>endswith(w_i, "e")</code>	1	1	0	0	0	1
<code>endswith(w_i, "d")</code>	0	0	0	1	1	0
<code>endswith(w_i, "ed")</code>	0	0	0	1	1	0
<code>$w_i == \text{"aardvark"}$</code>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<code>$w_i == \text{"hope"}$</code>	0	0	0	0	0	1
...

deter. noun noun verb verb noun

The movie I watched depicted hope

Feature Engineering for NLP

Context Features:

	$x^{(1)}$	$x^{(2)}$	$x^{(3)}$	$x^{(4)}$	$x^{(5)}$	$x^{(6)}$
...
$w_i == \text{"watched"}$	0	0	0	1	0	0
$w_{i+1} == \text{"watched"}$	0	0	1	0	0	0
$w_{i-1} == \text{"watched"}$	0	0	0	0	1	0
$w_{i+2} == \text{"watched"}$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$w_{i-2} == \text{"watched"}$	0	0	0	0	0	1
...

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Feature Engineering for NLP

Context Features:

	$x^{(1)}$	$x^{(2)}$	$x^{(3)}$	$x^{(4)}$	$x^{(5)}$	$x^{(6)}$
...
$w_i == \text{"I"}$	0	0	1	0	0	0
$w_{i+1} == \text{"I"}$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$w_{i-1} == \text{"I"}$	0	0	0	1	0	0
$w_{i+2} == \text{"I"}$	1	0	0	0	0	0
$w_{i-2} == \text{"I"}$	0	0	0	0	1	0
...

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Feature Engineering for NLP

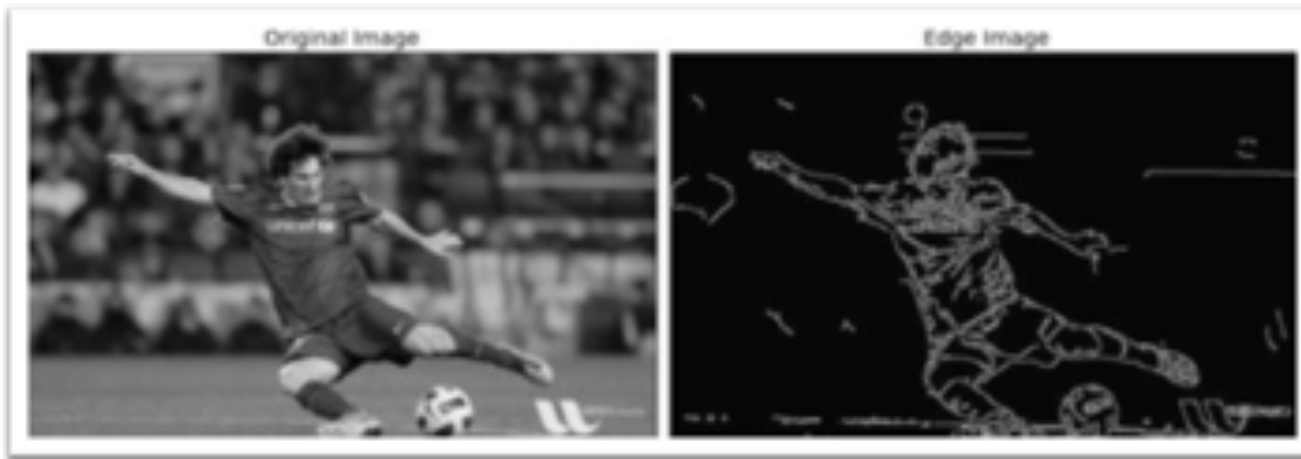
Table 3. Tagging accuracies with different feature templates and other changes on the *WSJ* 19-21 development set.

Model	Feature Templates	# Feats	Sent. Acc.	Token Acc.	Unk. Acc.
3GRAMMEMM	See text	248,798	52.07%	96.92%	88.99%
NAACL 2003	See text and [1]	460,552	55.31%	97.15%	88.61%
Replication	See text and [1]	460,551	55.62%	97.18%	88.92%
Replication'	+rareFeatureThresh = 5	482,364	55.67%	97.19%	88.96%
5W	+ $\langle t_0, w_{-2} \rangle, \langle t_0, w_2 \rangle$	730,178	56.23%	97.20%	89.03%
5WSHAPES	+ $\langle t_0, s_{-1} \rangle, \langle t_0, s_0 \rangle, \langle t_0, s_{+1} \rangle$	731,661	56.52%	97.25%	89.81%
5WSHAPESDS	+ distributional similarity	737,955	56.79%	97.28%	90.46%

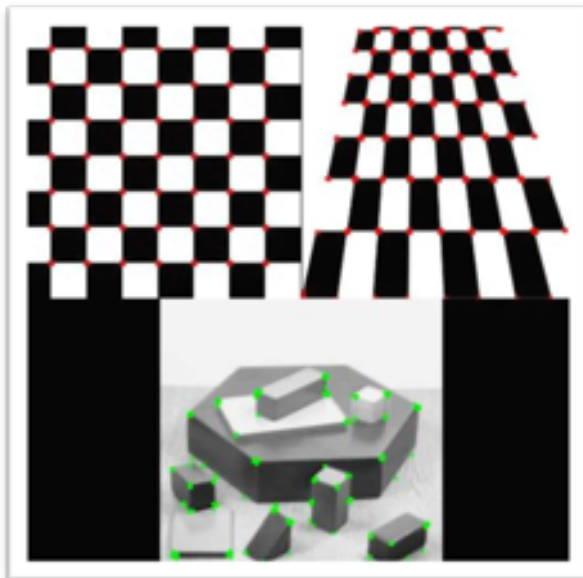
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Edge detection (Canny)

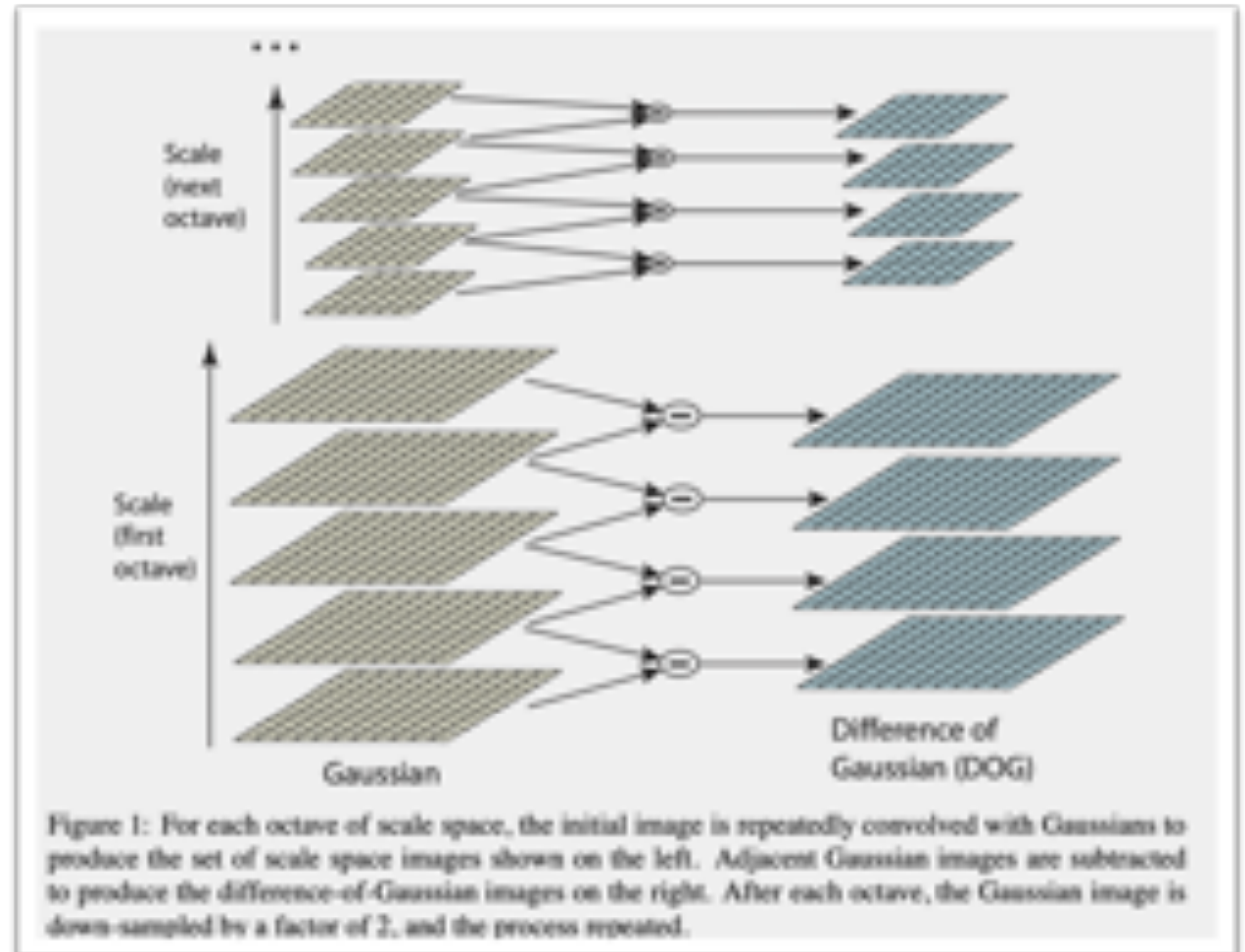
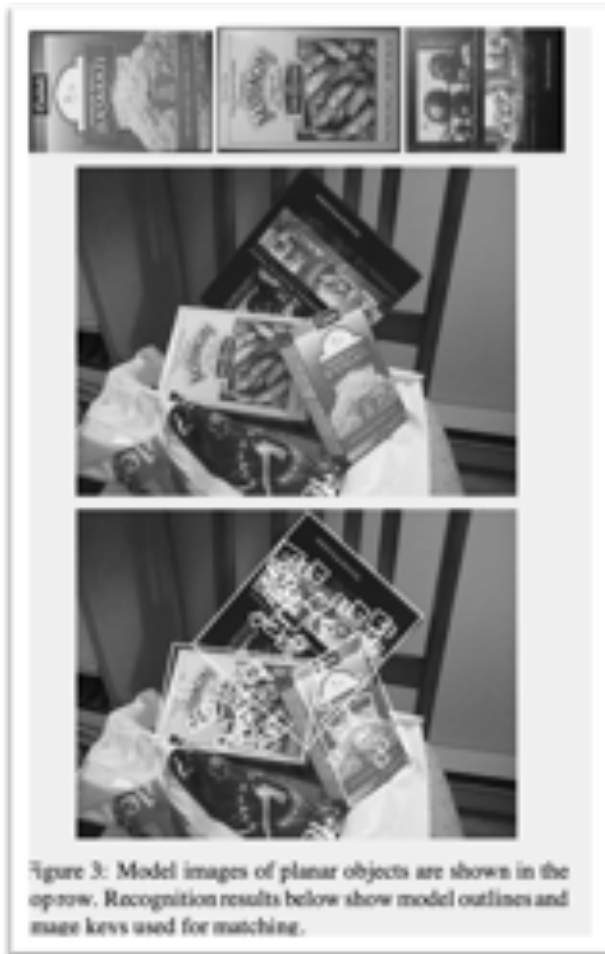


Corner Detection (Harris)



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Scale Invariant Feature Transform (SIFT)



NON-LINEAR FEATURES

Nonlinear Features

- aka. “nonlinear basis functions”
- So far, input was always $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, \dots, x_M]$
- **Key Idea:** let input be some function of \mathbf{x}
 - original input: $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^M$ where $M' > M$ (usually)
 - new input: $\mathbf{x}' \in \mathbb{R}^{M'}$
 - define $\mathbf{x}' = b(\mathbf{x}) = [b_1(\mathbf{x}), b_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, b_{M'}(\mathbf{x})]$
where $b_i : \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is any function

- **Examples:** ($M = 1$)

polynomial

$$b_j(x) = x^j \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, J\}$$

radial basis function

$$b_j(x) = \exp\left(\frac{-(x - \mu_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2}\right)$$

sigmoid

$$b_j(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\omega_j x)}$$

log

$$b_j(x) = \log(x)$$

For a linear model:
still a linear function
of $b(\mathbf{x})$ even though a
nonlinear function of
 \mathbf{x}

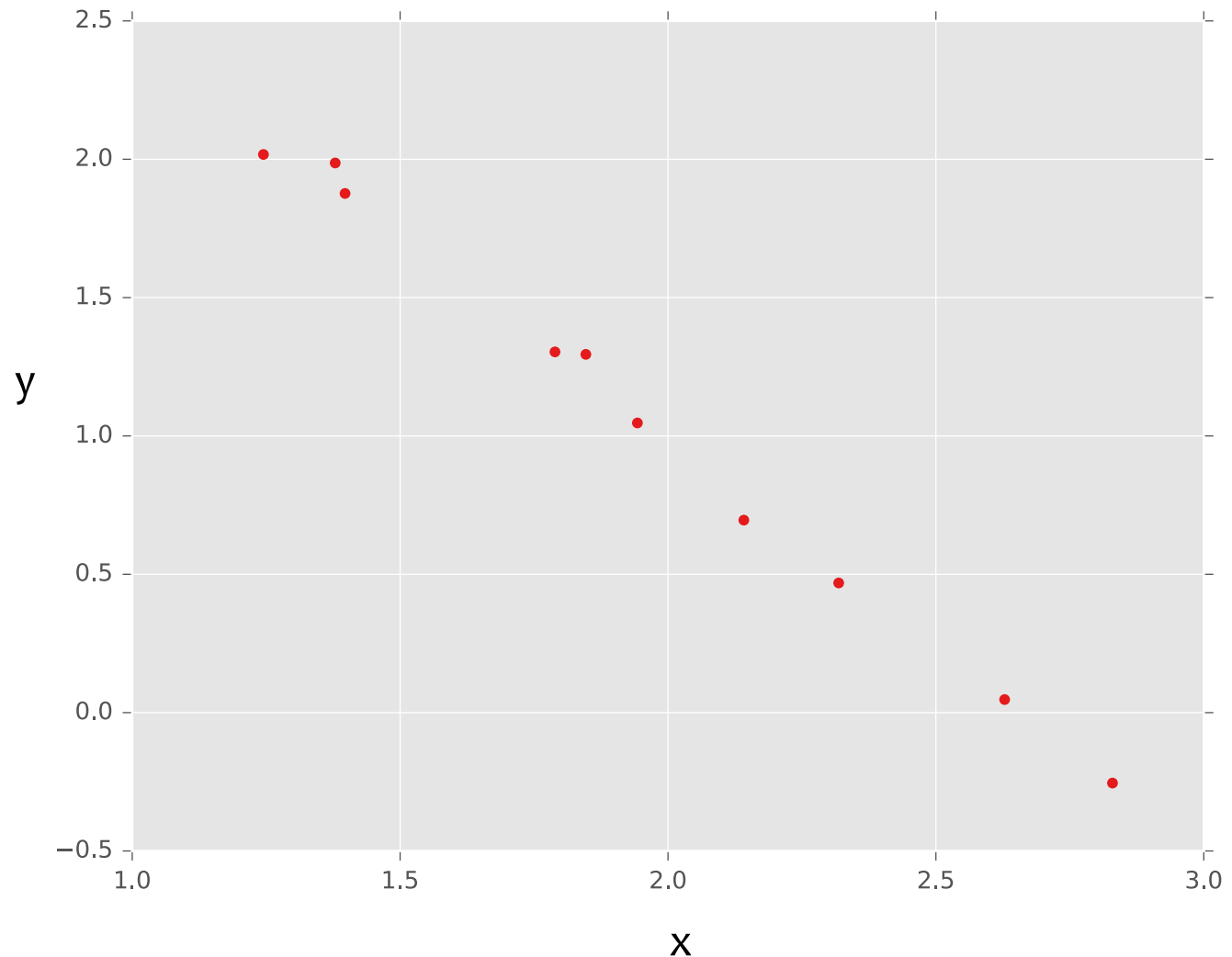
Examples:

- Perceptron
- Linear regression
- Logistic regression

Example: Linear Regression

Goal: Learn $y = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{f}(x) + b$
where $f(\cdot)$ is a polynomial
basis function

i	y	x
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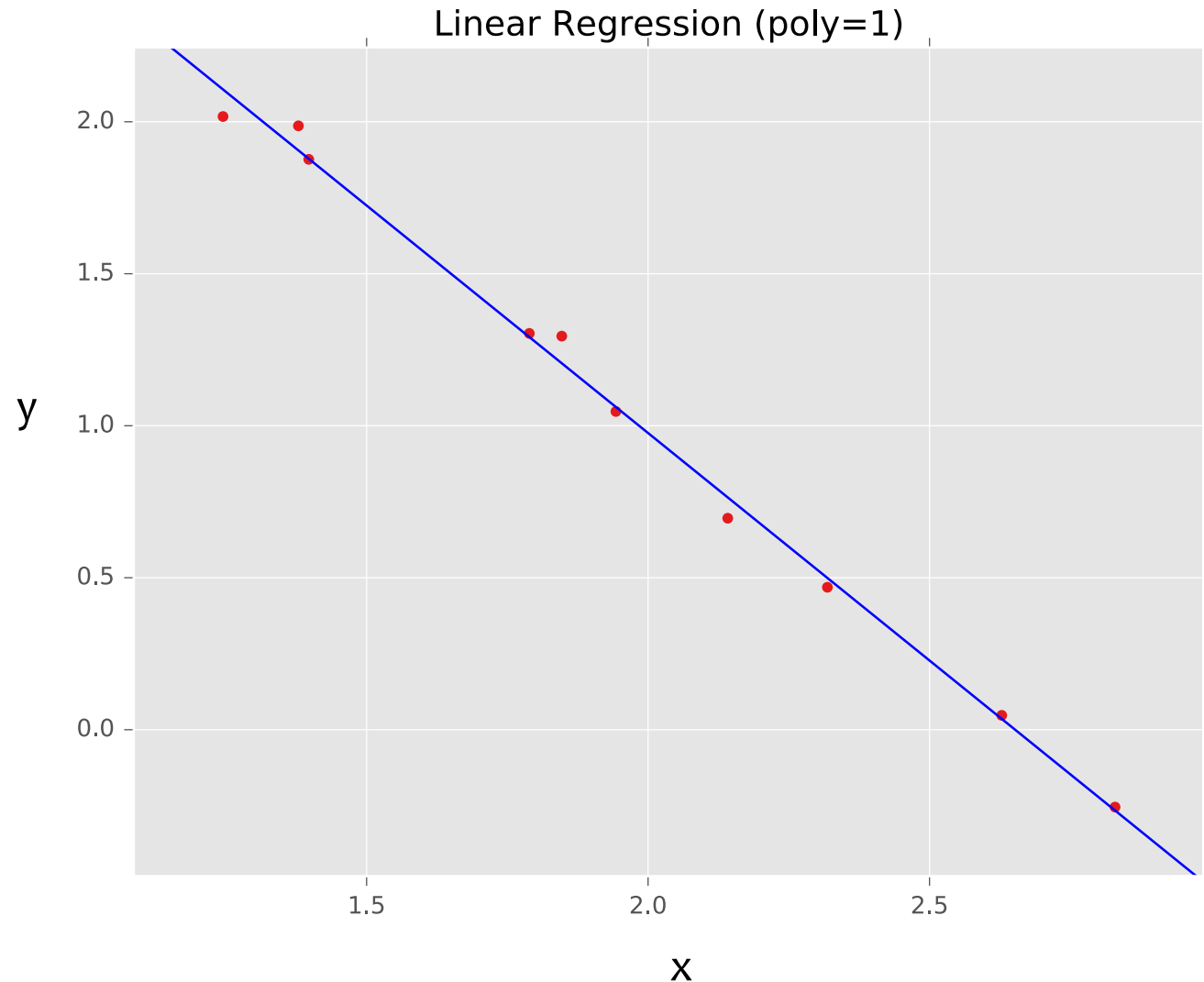
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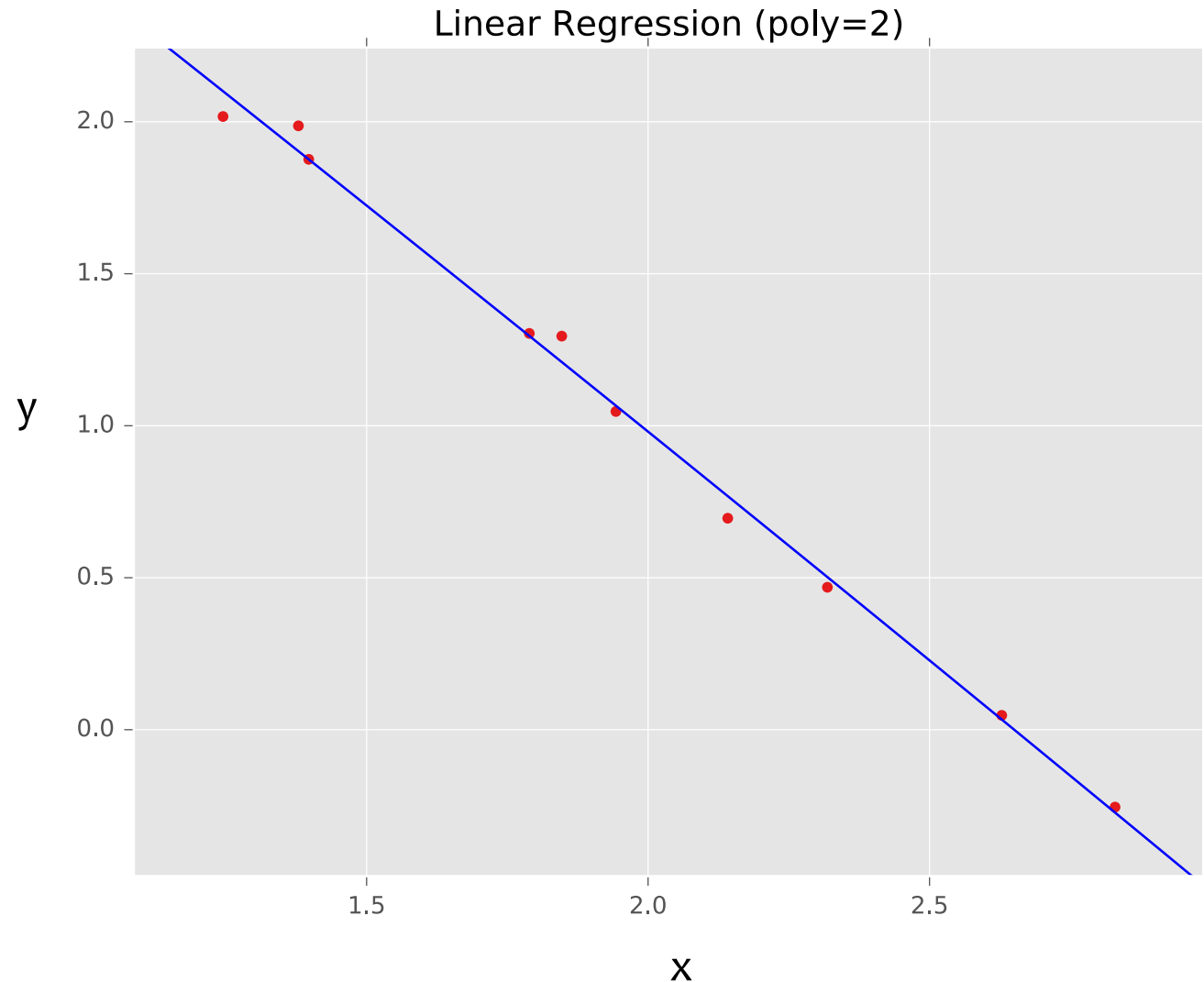


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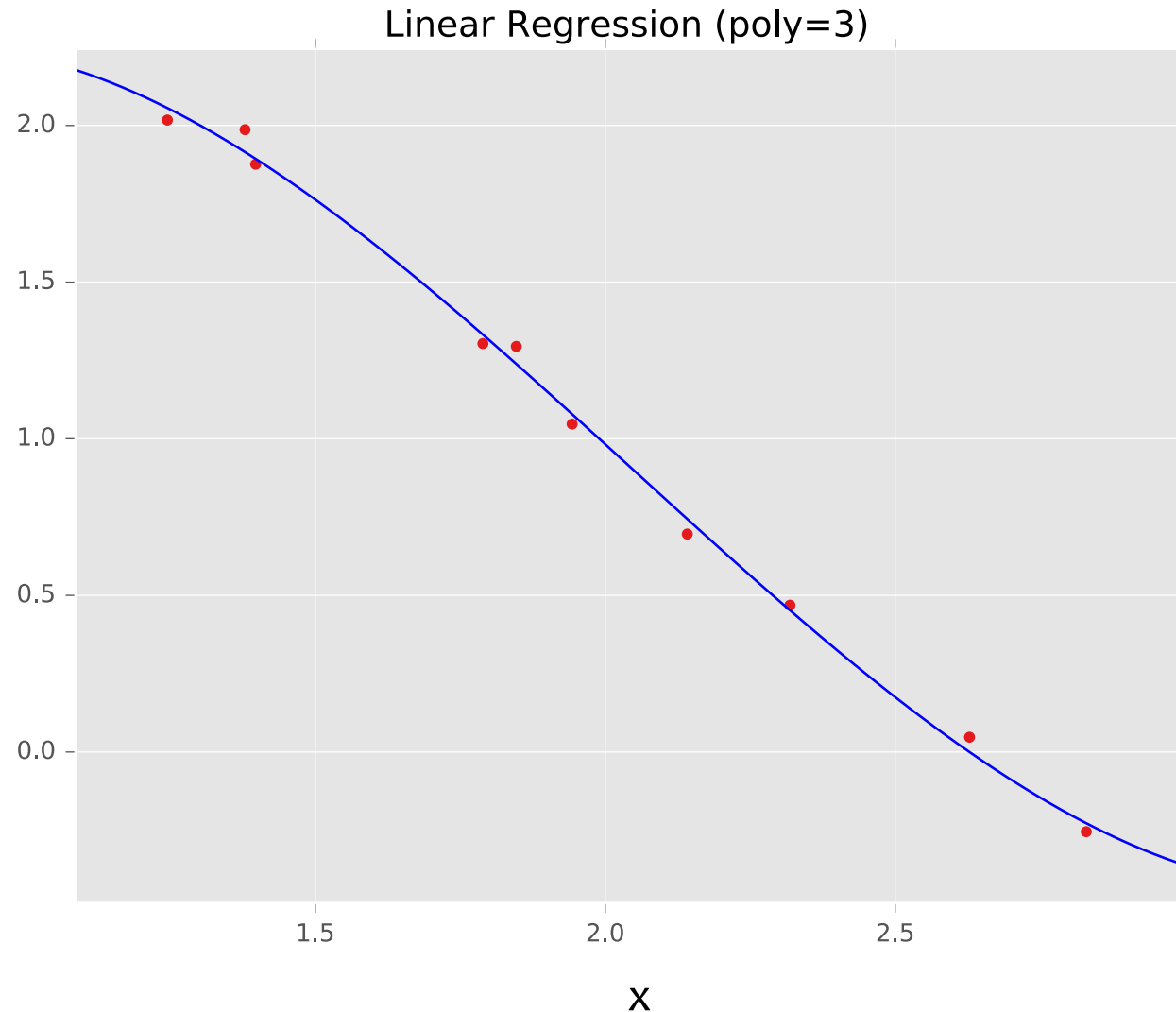


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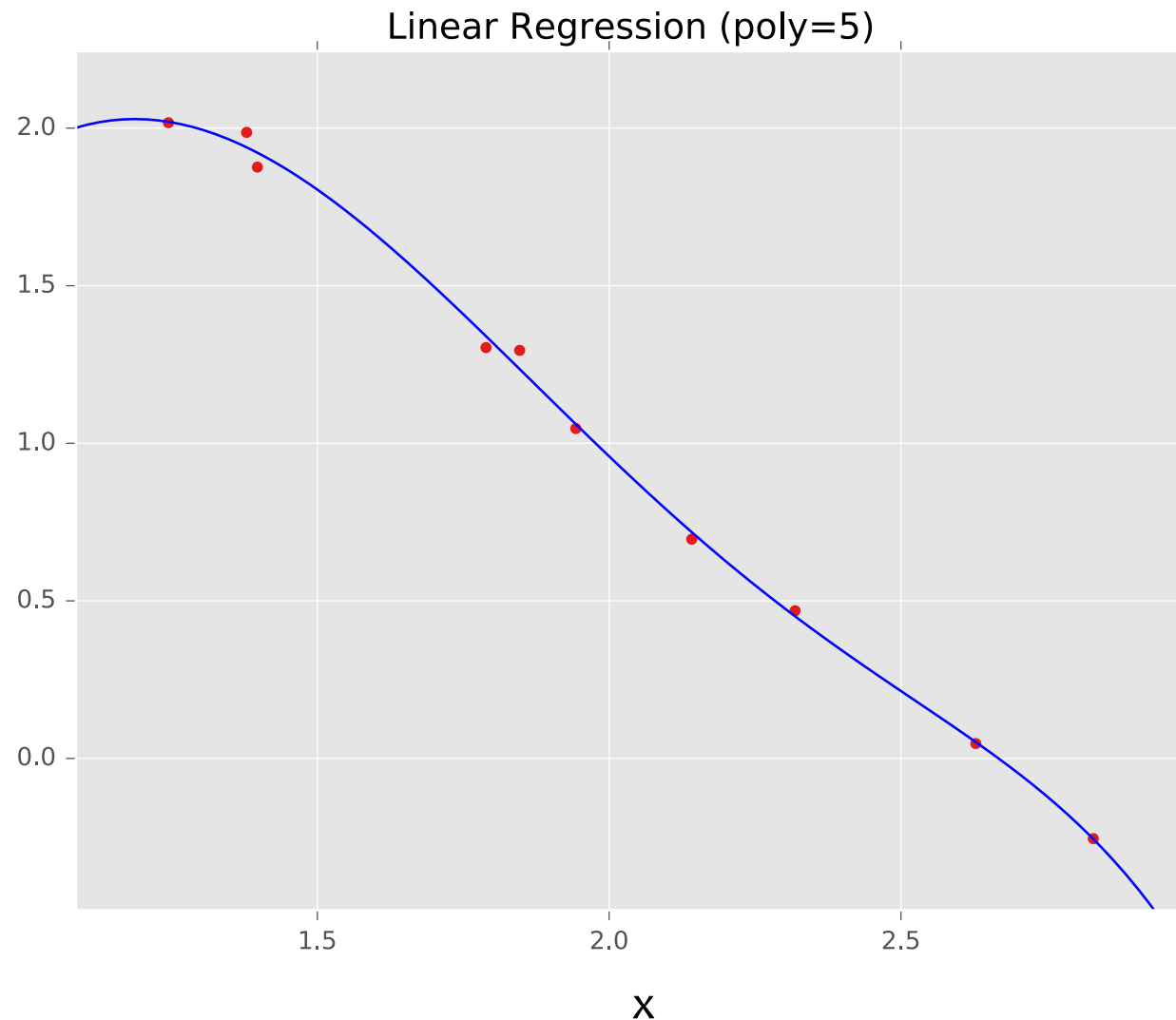
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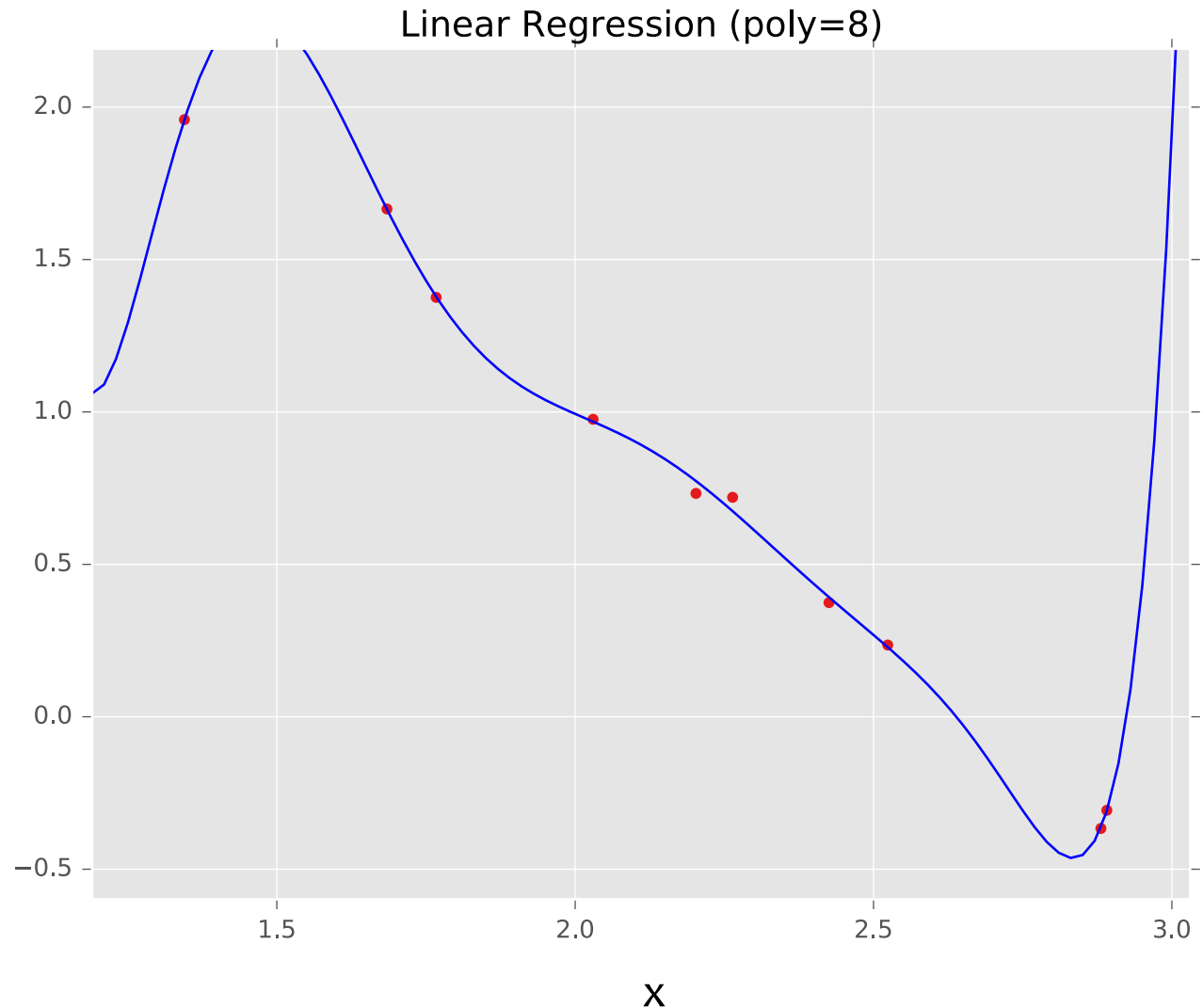
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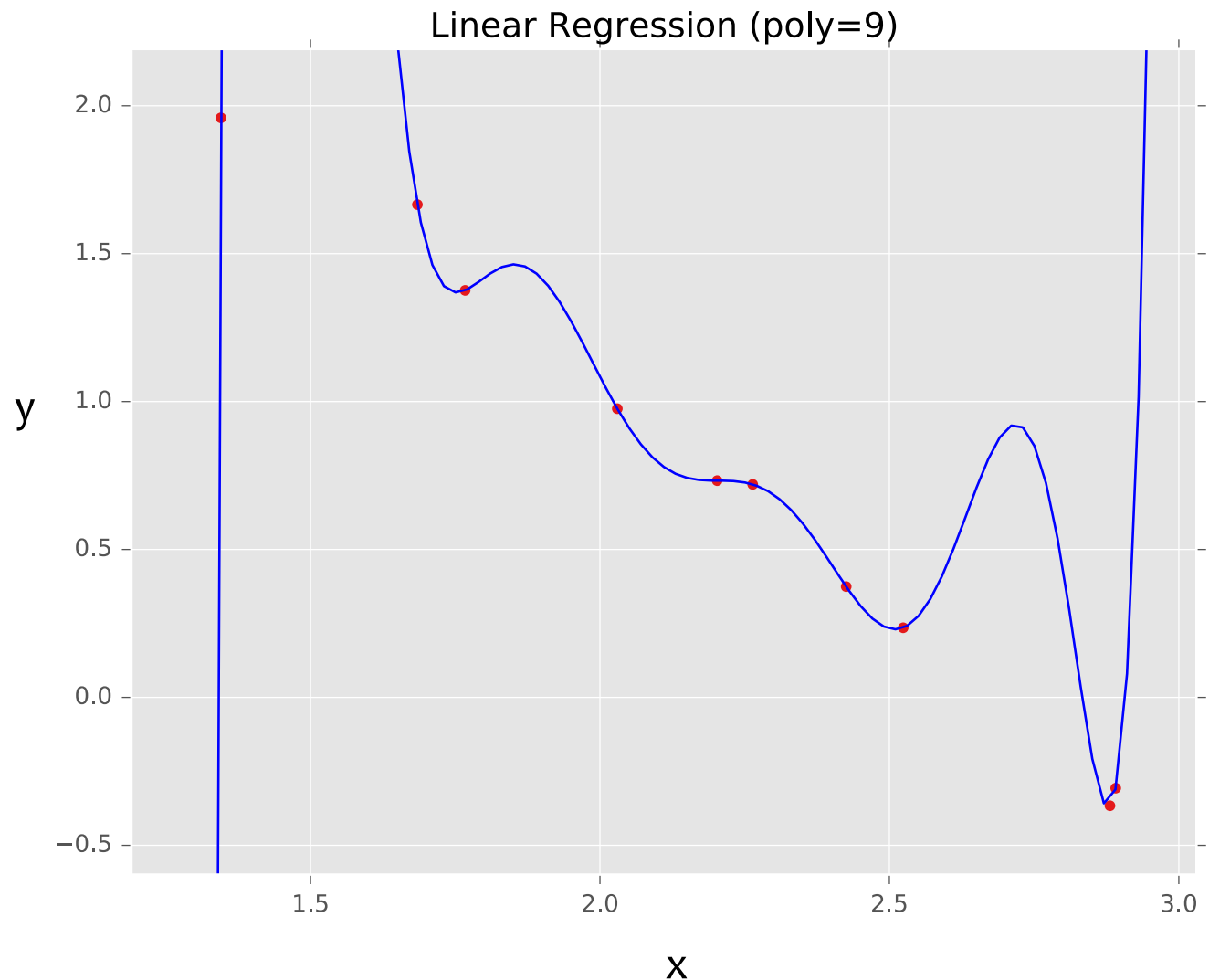
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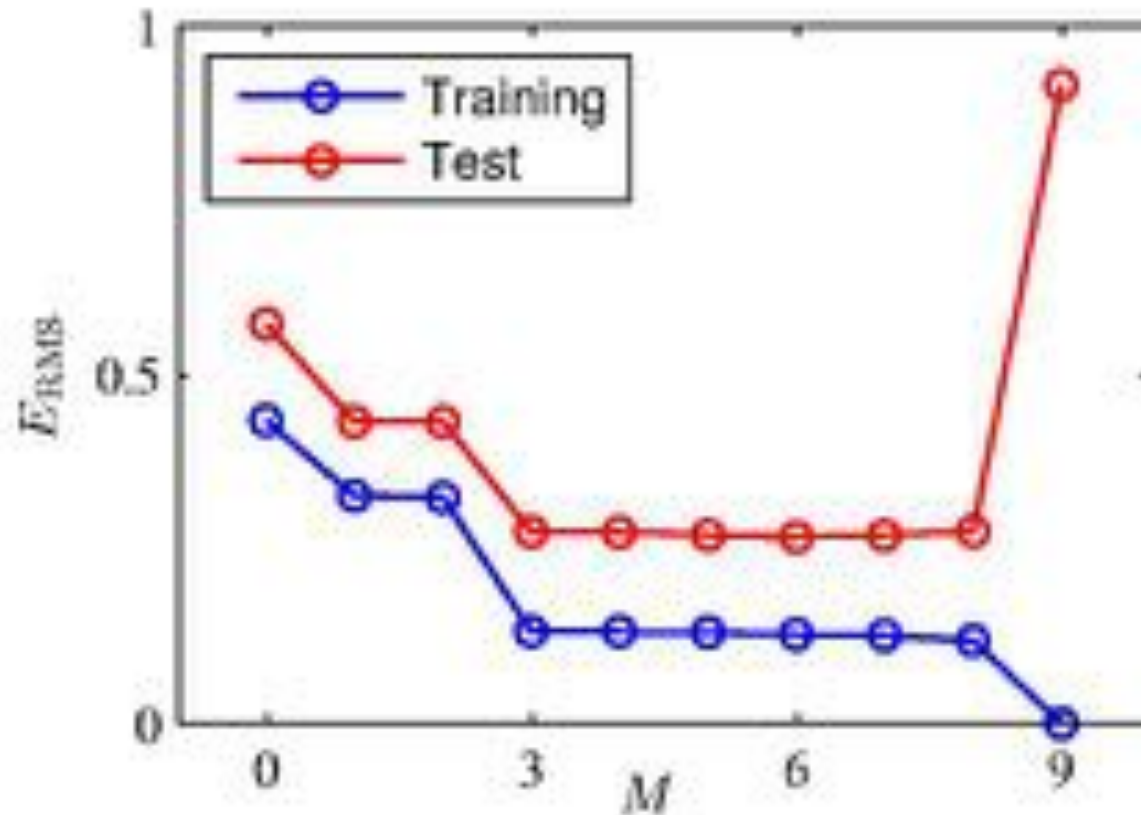
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Over-fitting



Root-Mean-Square (RMS) Error: $E_{\text{RMS}} = \sqrt{2E(\mathbf{w}^*)/N}$

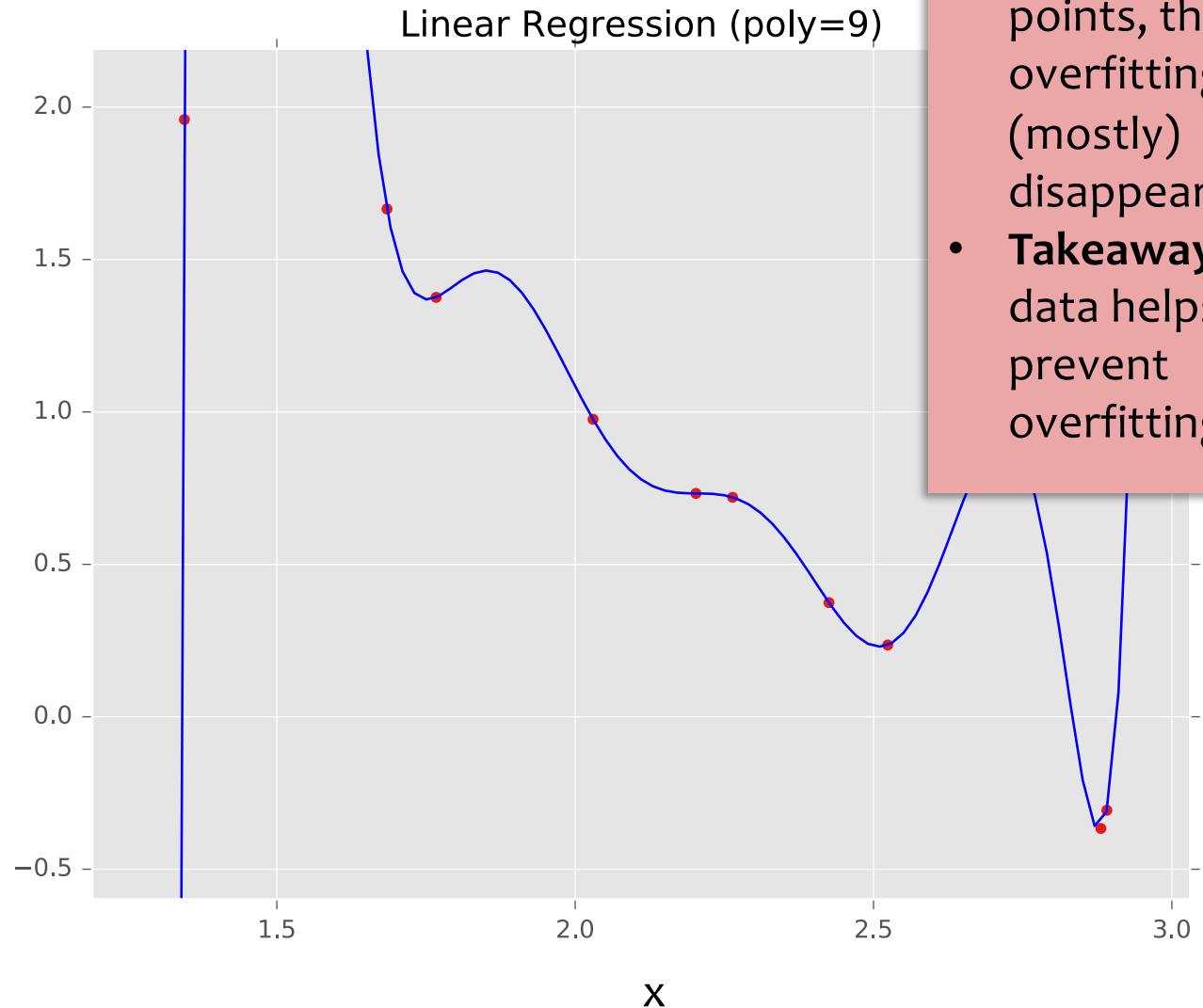
Polynomial Coefficients

	$M = 0$	$M = 1$	$M = 3$	$M = 9$
θ_0	0.19	0.82	0.31	0.35
θ_1		-1.27	7.99	232.37
θ_2			-25.43	-5321.83
θ_3			17.37	48568.31
θ_4				-231639.30
θ_5				640042.26
θ_6				-1061800.52
θ_7				1042400.18
θ_8				-557682.99
θ_9				125201.43

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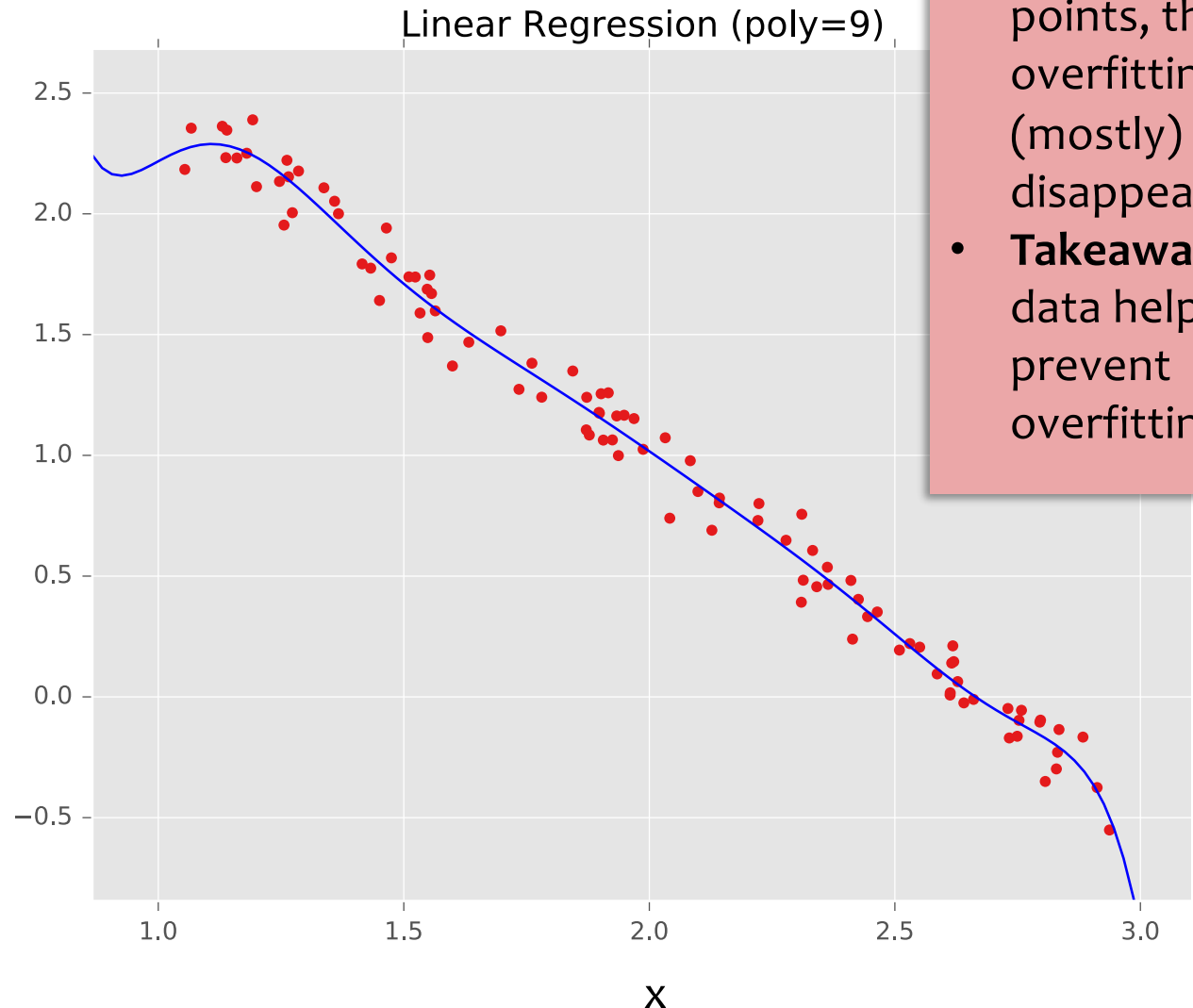


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...
...
...
98
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