

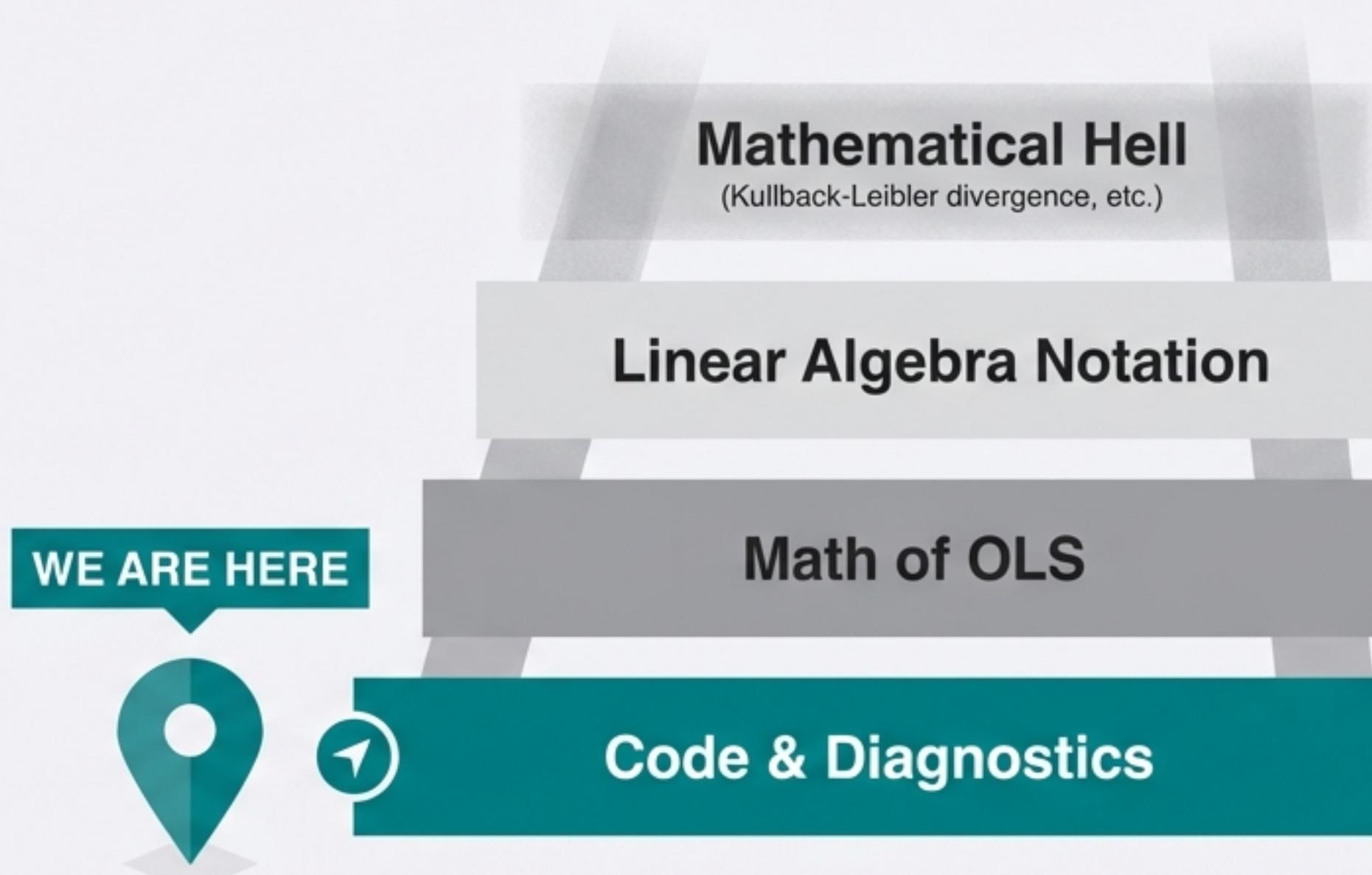
# Linear Models with R

## Linear & Binary Logistic Regression

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# The Complexity Ladder

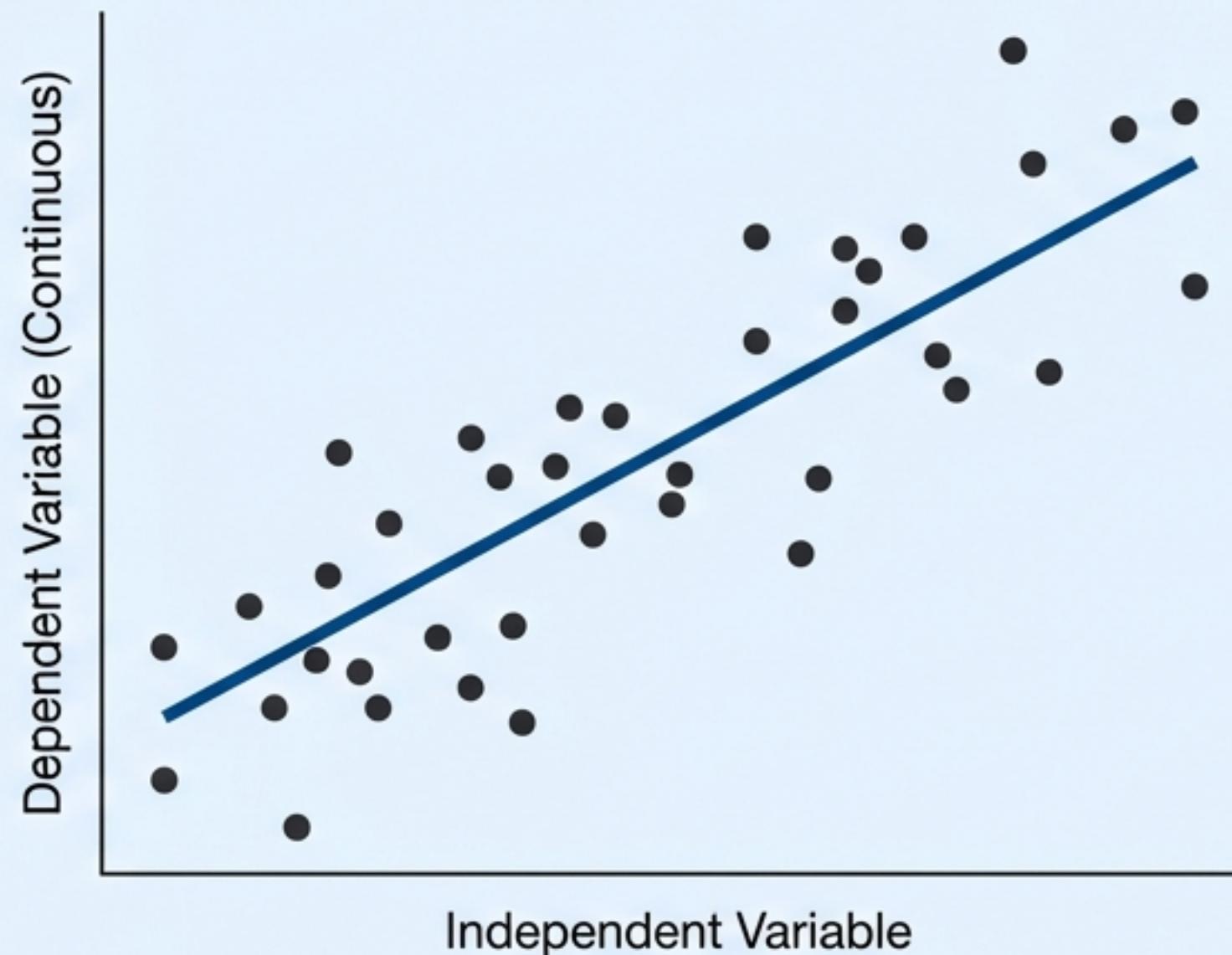


“We acknowledge the depth of the math, but today we master the machine.”

# Predicting *How Much* vs. Predicting *Which One*

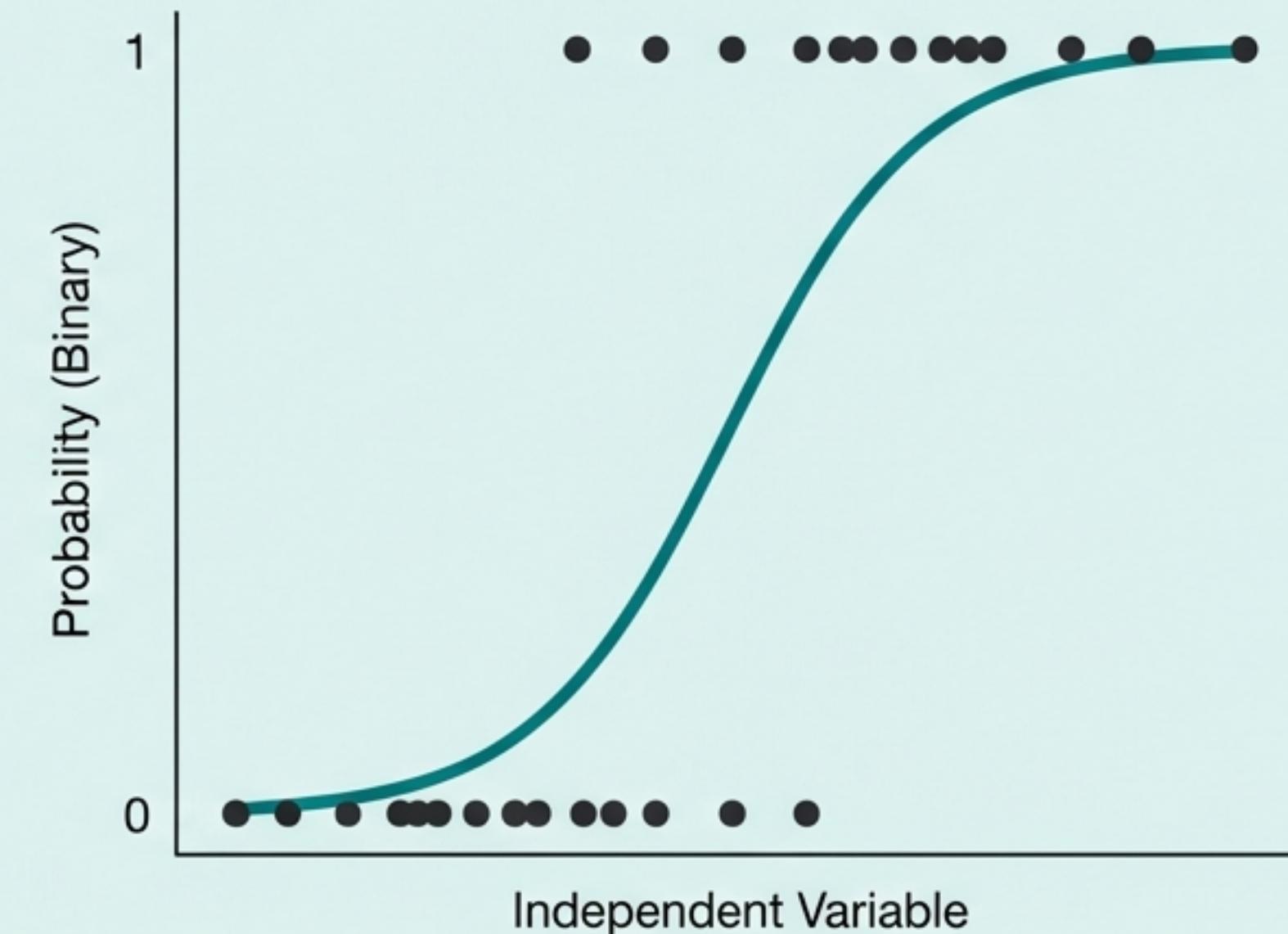
## Linear Regression

Target: Continuous (Asset Returns, Price)



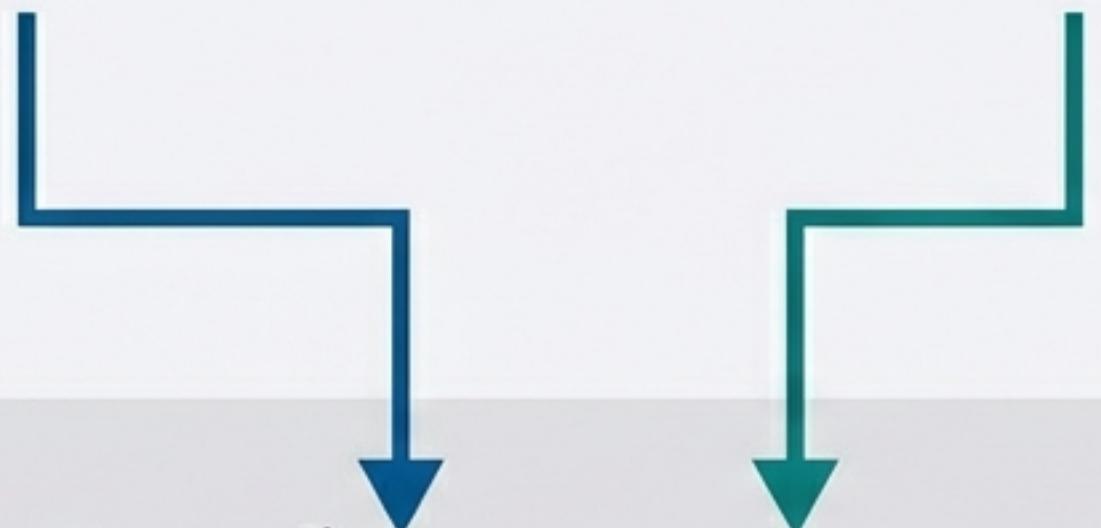
## Logistic Regression

Target: Binary (Default/No Default)



# The Linear Foundation

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \epsilon_i$$



```
lm(y ~ x, data = df)
```

## Key Metrics

- RSS (Residual Sum of Squares):  
**Minimize this**
- ✓ **R<sup>2</sup>**: Goodness of Fit
- ✓ **MSE**: Mean Squared Error

# Coding OLS

```
model <- asset_data |>  The Pipe: Data flows into the model.  
  lm(formula = asset_return ~ sp500_return)  
  
# View the results  
  
model |> summary()
```



# The Four Pillars of OLS



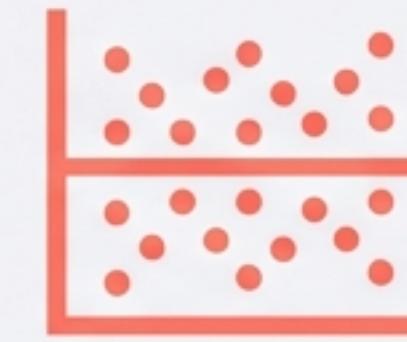
## Linearity

Straight line  
relationship



## Normality

Errors are normally  
distributed



## Homogeneity

Constant variance  
(Homoscedasticity)



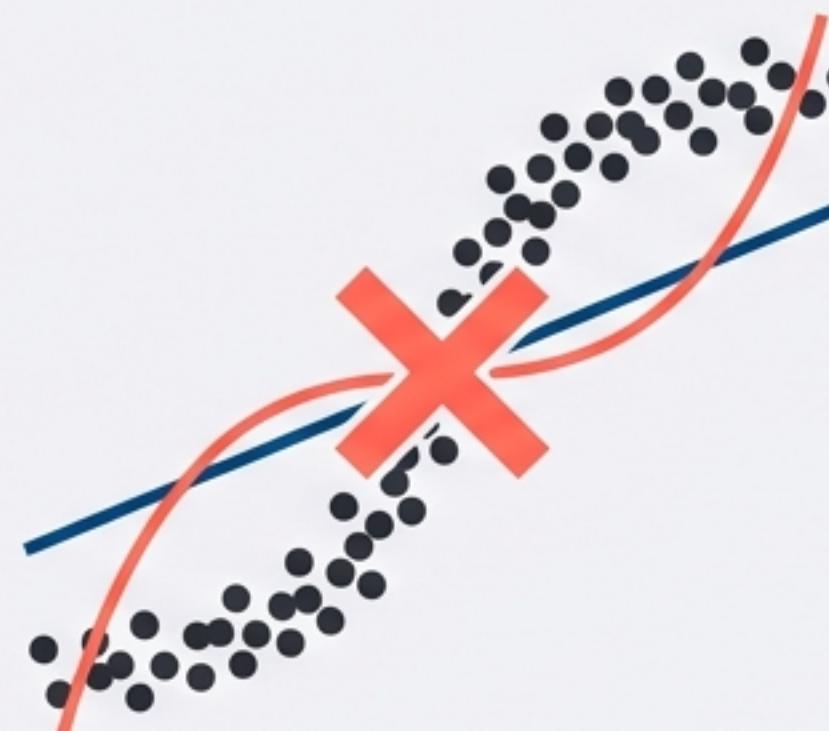
## Independence

No pattern in error  
terms

# Why Bother? (When Models Fail)

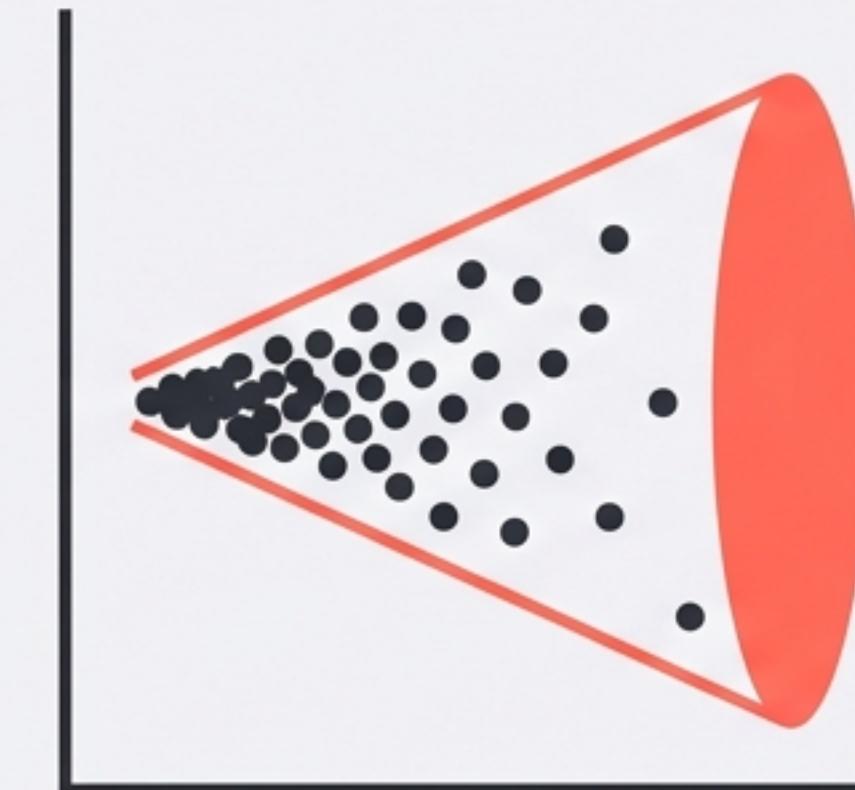
## ● Non-linearity

The model doesn't fit the reality.



## ● Heteroscedasticity

The Variance Explosion.



## ● Influential Monsters

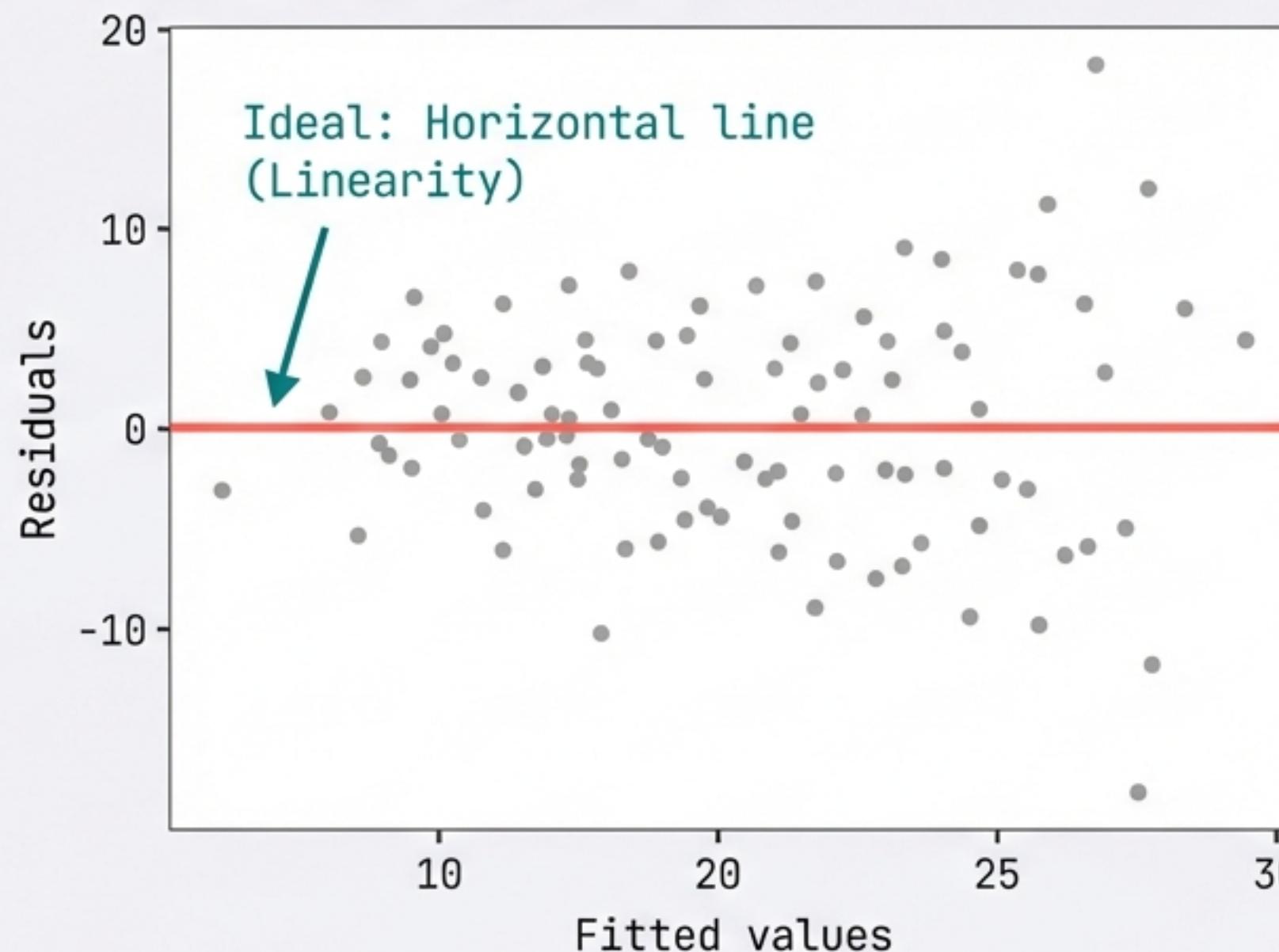
Values that distort the truth.

- **Outliers:** Extreme Y values
- **High Leverage:** Extreme X values



# Diagnostics: Linearity & Homogeneity

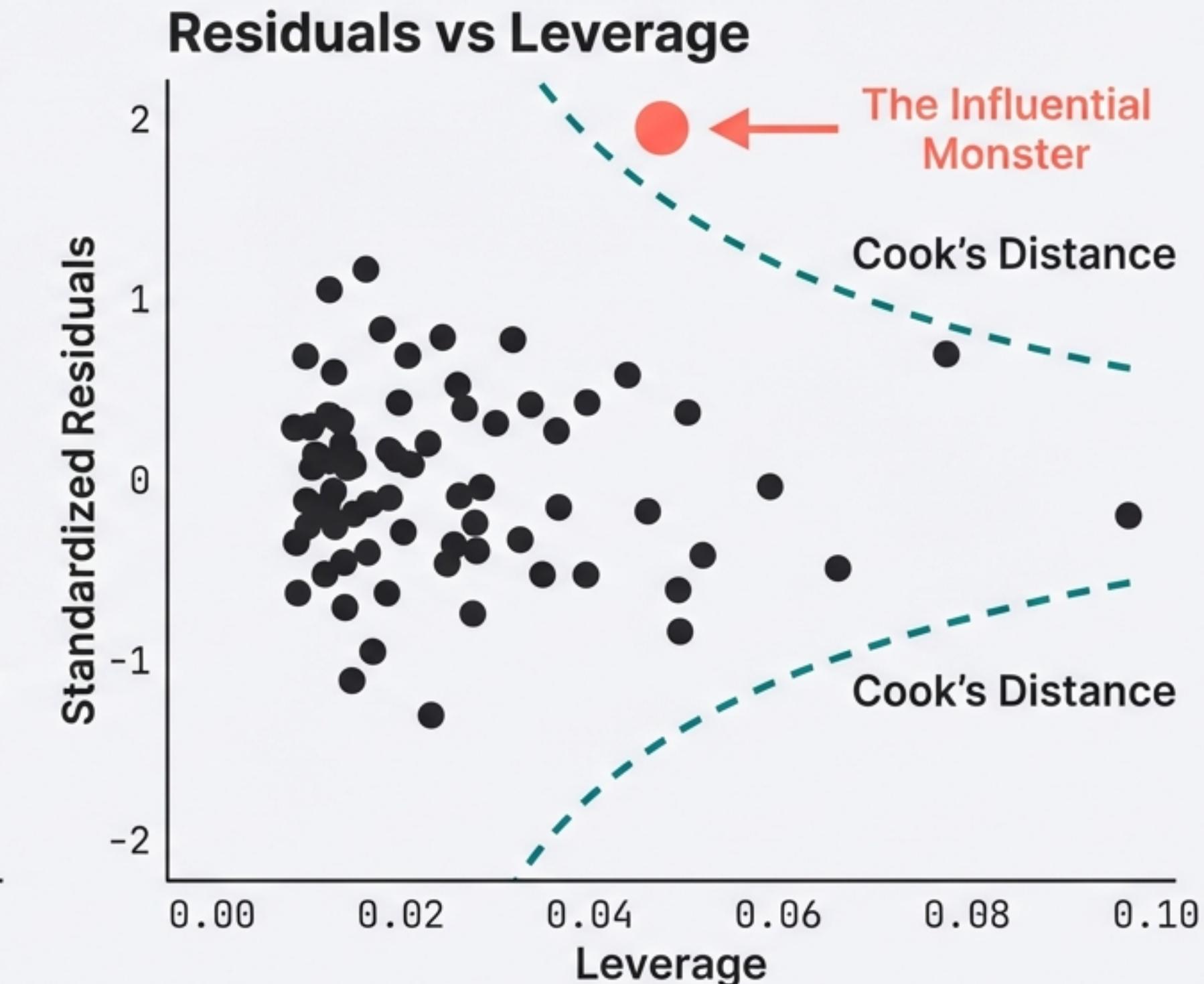
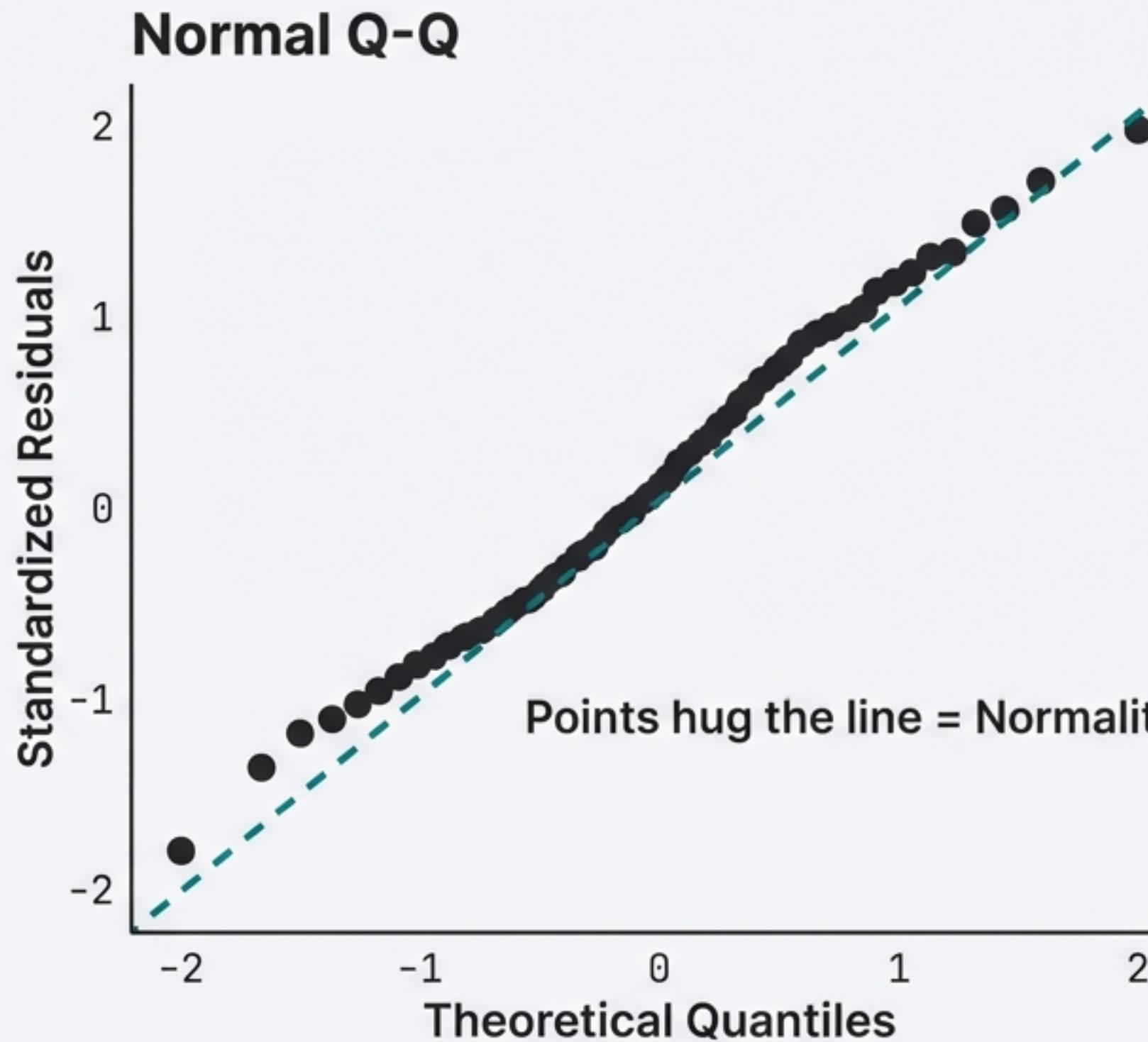
Residuals vs Fitted



Scale-Location



# Diagnostics: Normality & Influence



# Rapid Diagnostics in R

```
# Standard 2x2 diagnostic view  
par(mfrow = c(2, 2))  
plot(model)
```

Plotting the model object immediately reveals the four diagnostic charts.

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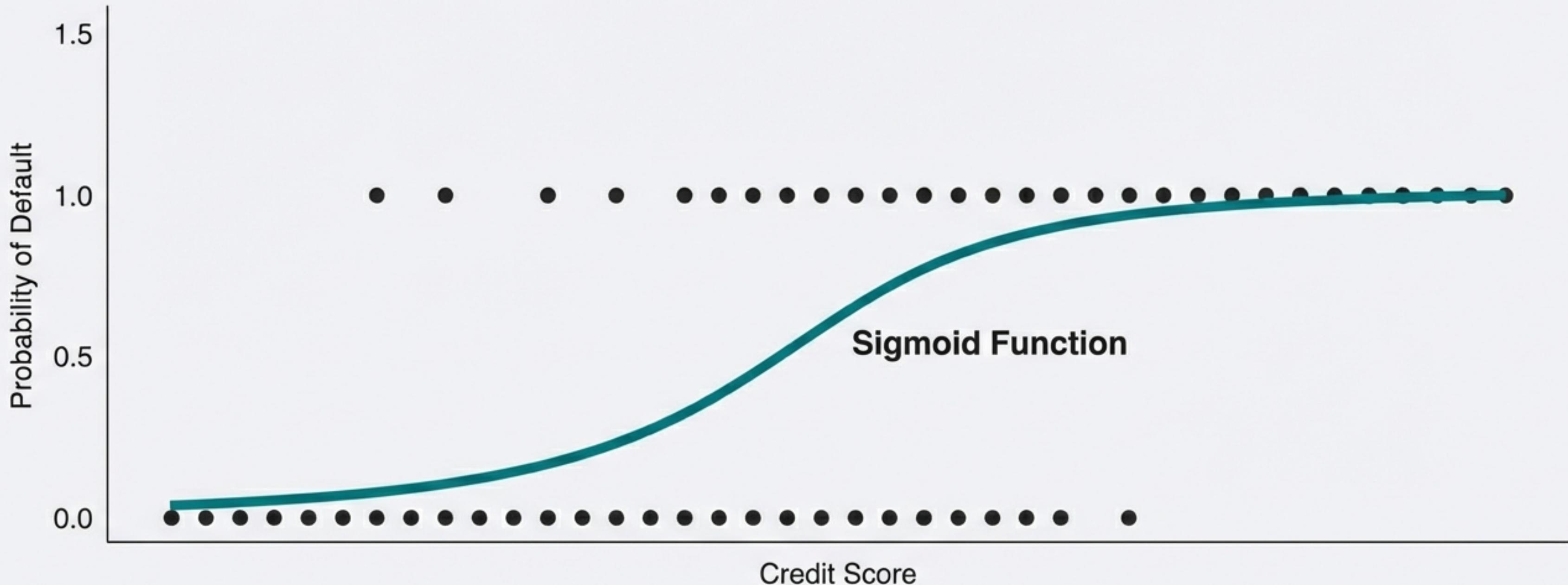
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# The Problem with Linear Lines



# Enter Logistic Regression



Probability ( $P$ )  $\rightarrow$  Odds  $\left( \frac{P}{1-P} \right)$   $\rightarrow$  Log Odds  $(\ln(\text{Odds}))$

# Speaking in Odds

Probability	Odds	Log Odds
<b>Range:</b> 0 to 1	<b>Range:</b> 0 to $\infty$	<b>Range:</b> $-\infty$ to $+\infty$
<b>Description:</b> Intuitive	<b>Description:</b> Gambling / Finance	<b>Description:</b> Linear Math Scale
 A horizontal scale with two grey circles at the ends labeled "0%" and "100%". A blue horizontal bar is positioned halfway between the two circles, representing the midpoint of the probability range.	$P/(1-P)$	$\ln(\text{Odds})$

We model in **Log Odds**, but we interpret in **Probability**.

# Coding Logit

```
logit_model <- credit_data |>  
  glm(formula = default ~ credit_score + income,  
       family = binomial(link = "logit"))
```

```
logit_model |> summary()
```

The Switch: Defines the error distribution & link function.

# The Analyst's Summary

## Linear (OLS)

- Target: Continuous
- Assumption: Homoscedasticity
- Metric: Minimize RSS

## Logistic (Logit)

- Target: Binary
- Transformation: Log-odds
- Metric: Maximum Likelihood

**ALWAYS PLOT YOUR RESIDUALS**

