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## ISLR 2.4.1

- (a) Better: A more flexible approach will suit the data more closely, and with the large sample size, a better fit will be obtained than with an inflexible approach.
- (b) Worse: The limited number of data points would be overfit by a flexible method.
- (c) Better: A model with greater degrees of freedom would achieve a superior fit.
- (d) Worse: Flexible will overfit. The large noise term will make the data artificially more complex.

## ISLR 2.4.7

- - $\|\mathbf{Obs}_1 - [0, 0, 0]\|_2 = 3$
  - $\|\mathbf{Obs}_2 - [0, 0, 0]\|_2 = 2$
  - $\|\mathbf{Obs}_3 - [0, 0, 0]\|_2 = \sqrt{10} \approx 3.2$
  - $\|\mathbf{Obs}_4 - [0, 0, 0]\|_2 = \sqrt{5} \approx 2.2$
  - $\|\mathbf{Obs}_5 - [0, 0, 0]\|_2 = \sqrt{3} \approx 1.4$
  - $\|\mathbf{Obs}_6 - [0, 0, 0]\|_2 = \sqrt{3} \approx 1.7$
- Green. Observation number 5 is the closest neighbor for  $K = 1$ .
- Red. Observations number 2, 5, 6 are the closest neighbors for  $K = 3$ . 2 is Red, 5 is Green, and 6 is Red.
- Small. A small  $K$  would be more flexible for a non-linear decision boundary, but a big  $K$  would attempt to suit a more linear boundary since it considers more points.