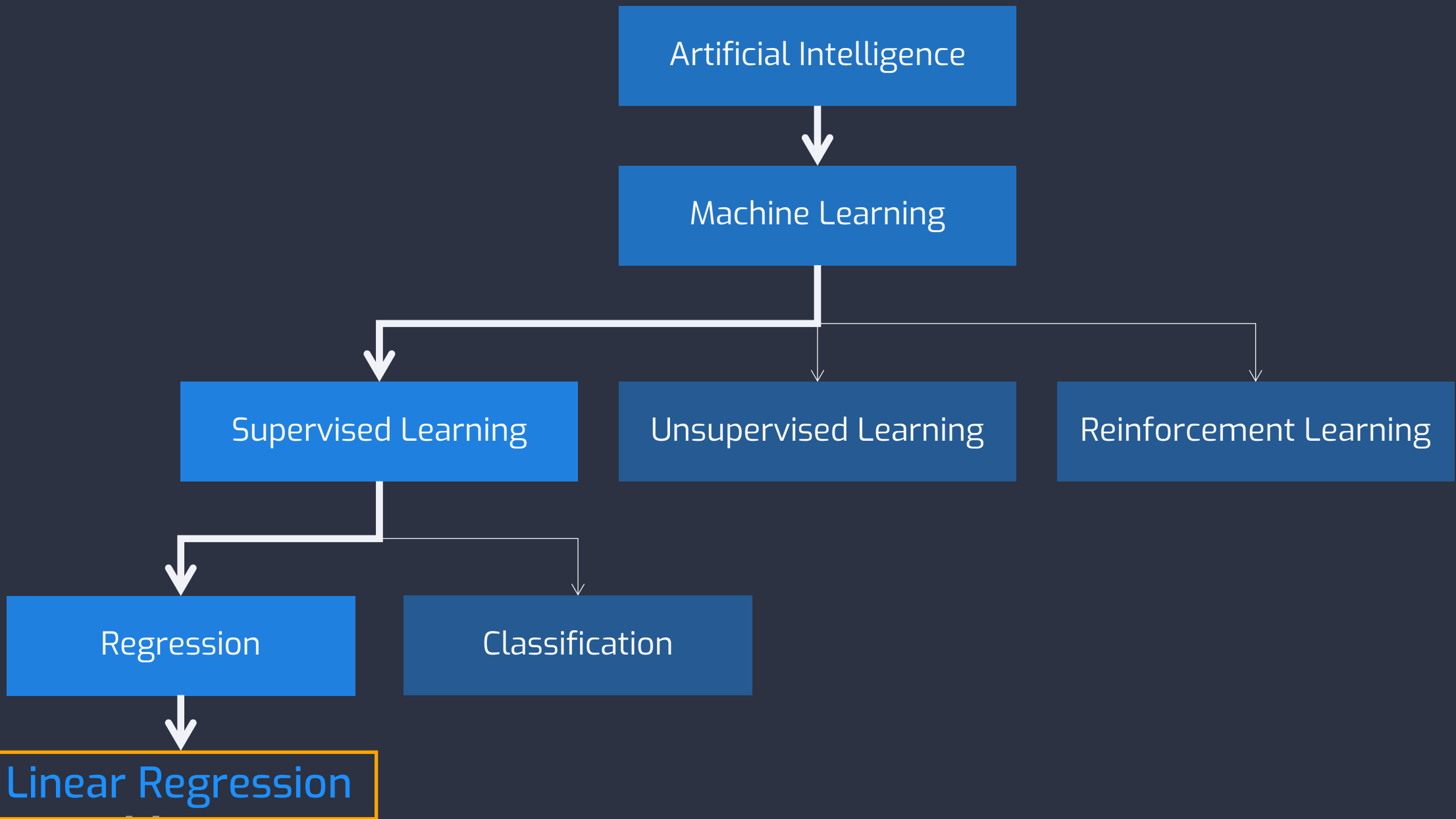


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# Linear Regression

## -- Intuition

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## Learning Objectives

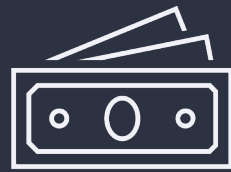
- Have an intuition of how linear regression algorithm learns
- Understand the representation of linear regression model

# Linear Regression

- Intuition -

EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness

given



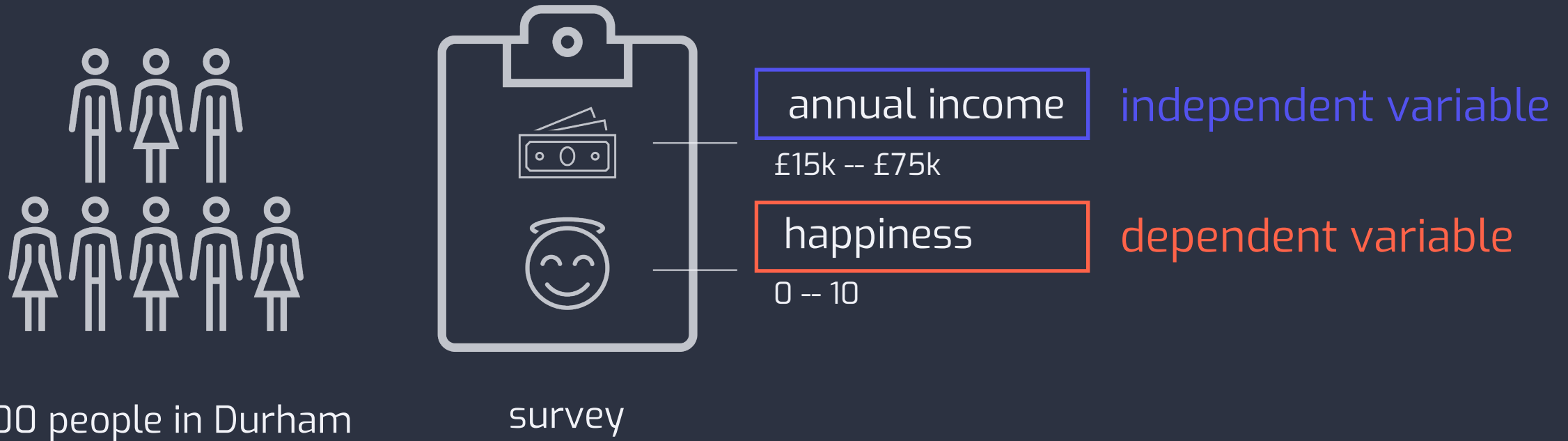
annual income

to predict



happiness

## EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness



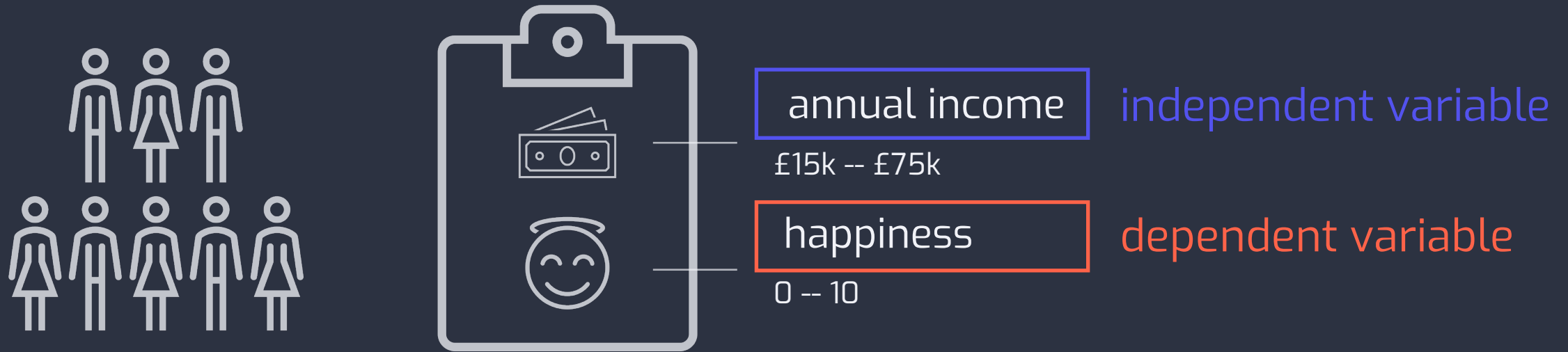
A supervised learning task

-- we know the "right answer", the correct label i.e. given annual income, we know exact happiness.

A regression task

-- we want to predict a real-valued output i.e. happiness in a continuous scale from 0 to 10.

EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness



500 people in Durham

survey

350 (training set)

150 (test set)

**The task:** to train a linear regression (supervised learning) model on the training set and evaluate the trained model on the test set, so that the model can predict happiness of someone in Durham with certain amount of annual income.

# Some notions...

$m$  the number of training instances

$x$  input/independent variable/feature

$y$  output/dependent variable, prediction

$(x, y)$  a single training instance

$(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$  the  $i^{th}$  training instance ( $i$  is the index)



EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness

$$m = 350$$

$$(x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}) = (49.79, 3.433)$$

	$x$	$y$
	income (k)	happiness
1	38.63	2.314
2	49.79	3.433
...	...	...
i	21.18	1.45
...	...	...
350	71.19	5.95

EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness



data



model

EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness

income (input  $x$ )



model (function)



happiness (output  $y$ )

hypothesis

function  $h$ , mapping from  $x$  to  $y$

EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness

## hypothesis

function  $h$ , mapping from  $x$  to  $y$

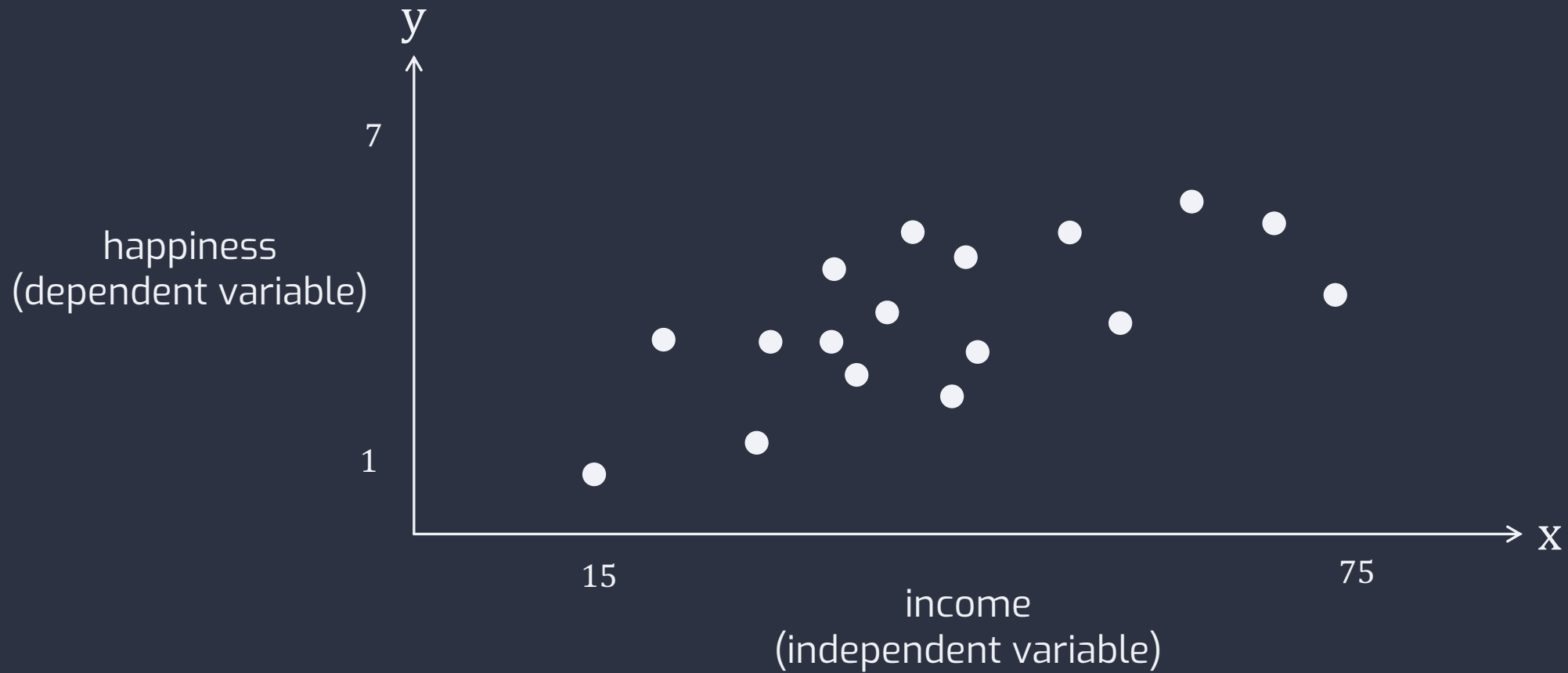
$y$ -intercept, bias

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x \quad \text{or} \quad h(x) = \boxed{\theta_0} + \boxed{\theta_1} x$$

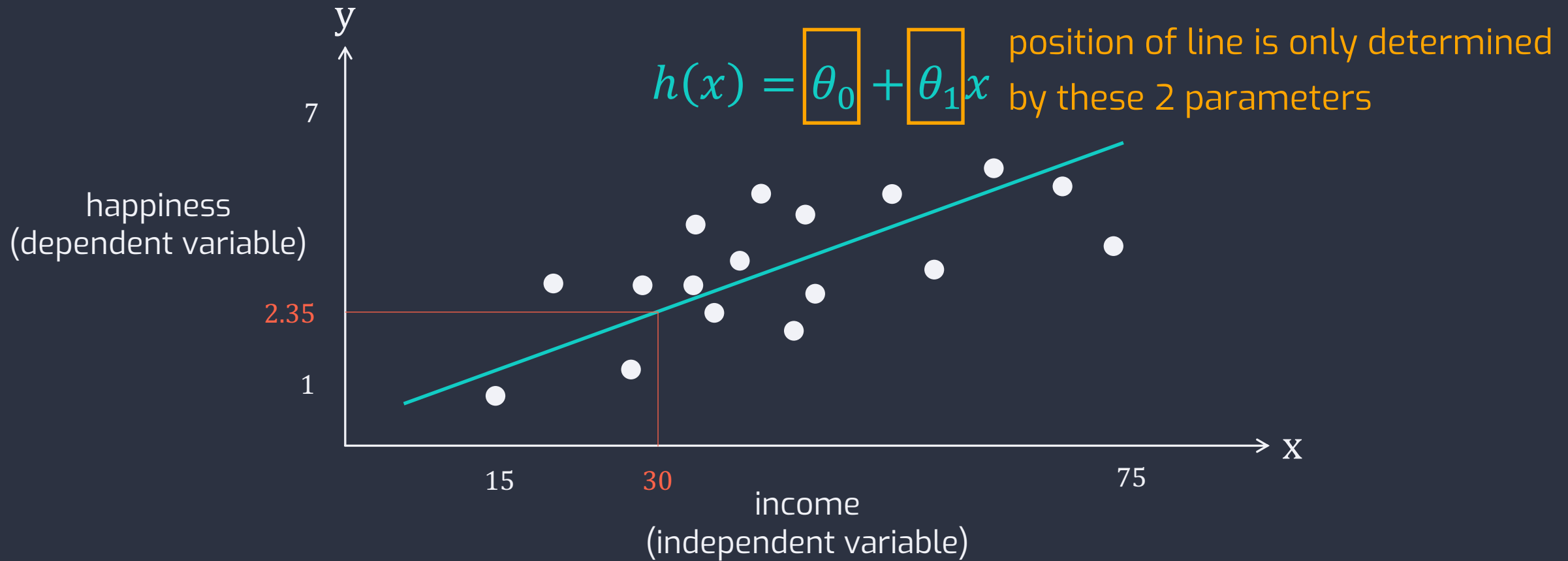
slope, weight

$y'$  : predicted value

EXAMPLE. annual income to predict happiness



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## ✓ Takeaway Points

- Linear regression model can be represented as  $h(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$
- The shape of linear regression model is only determined by weight ( $\theta_1$ ) and bias ( $\theta_0$ ) parameters
- Linear regression algorithm tries to find  $\theta_0$  and  $\theta_1$