

Optimization for Data Science

Introduction into supervised learning

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Core Info

- **Where** : Telecom ParisTech
- **Location** : B312
- **ECTS** : 5 ECTS
- **Volume** : 40h
- **When** : 12 weeks (including one week break for holidays + one week for exam)
- **Online:** All teaching materials on moodle: <http://datascience-x-master-paris-saclay.fr/education/>
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Who am I?

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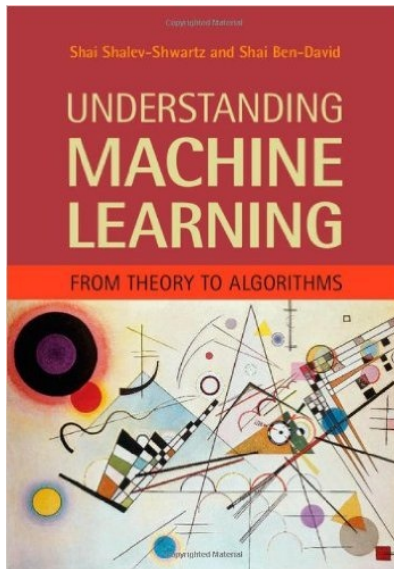
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- Research topics: Stochastic algorithms for optimization, numerical linear algebra, quasi-Newton methods and automatic differentiation (backpropagation).

An Introduction to Supervised Learning

References classes today

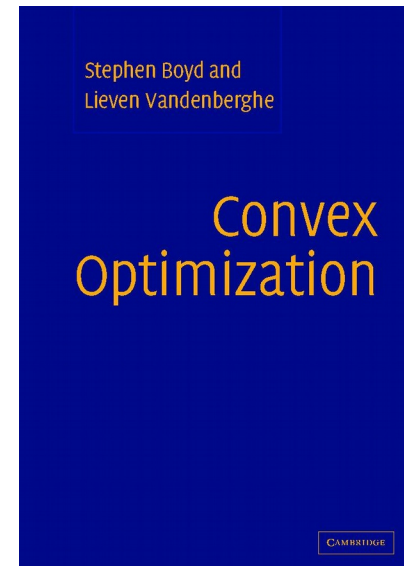
Chapter 2

Understanding Machine Learning: From Theory to Algorithms

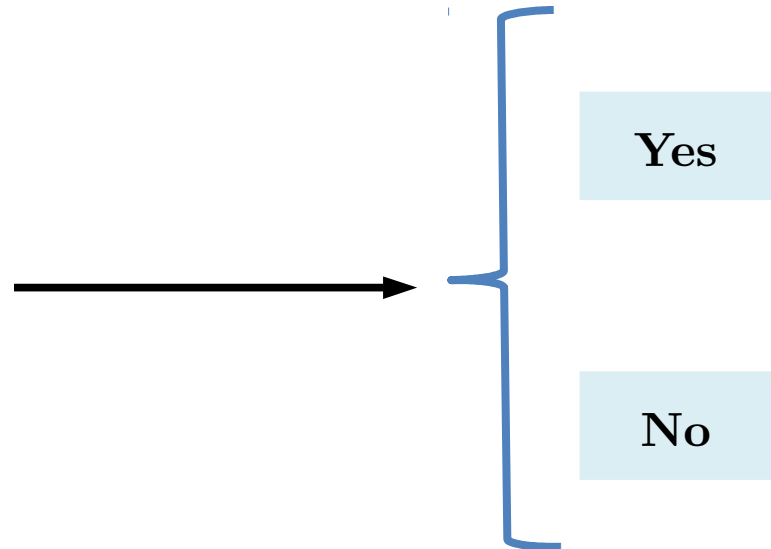


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Convex Optimization



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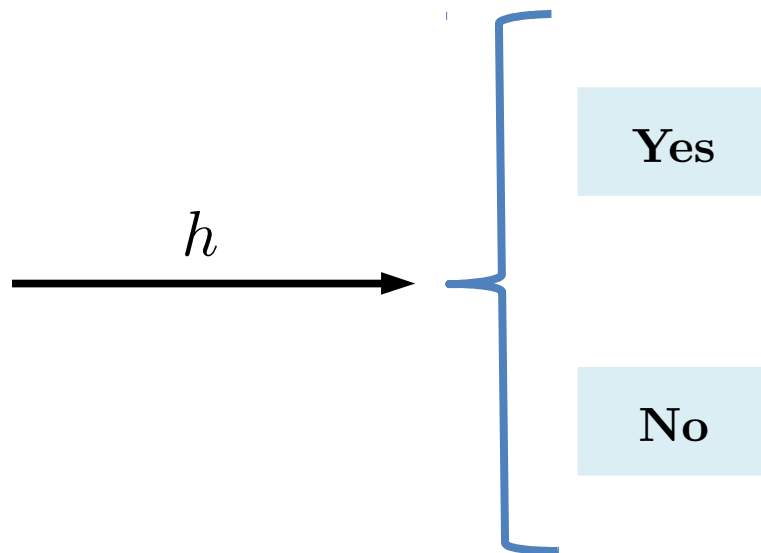
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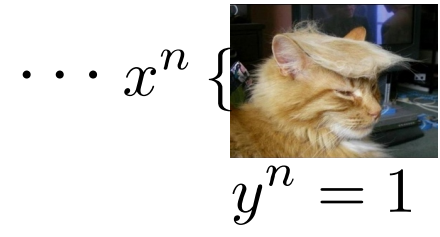
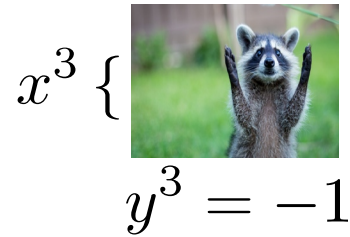
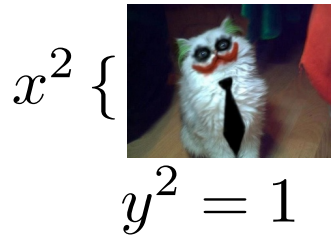
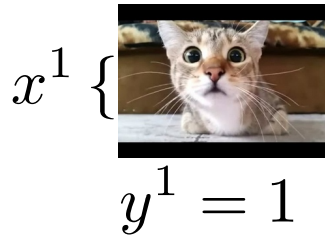
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y : Output/Target

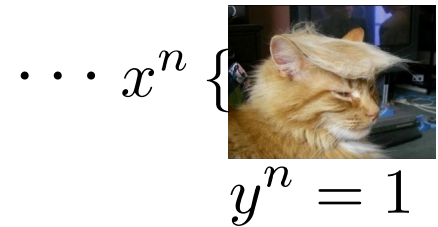
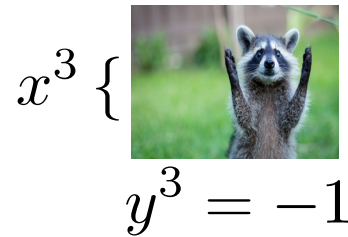
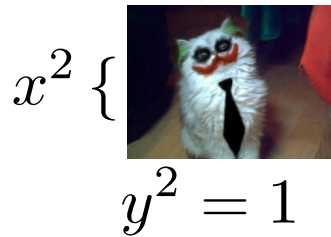
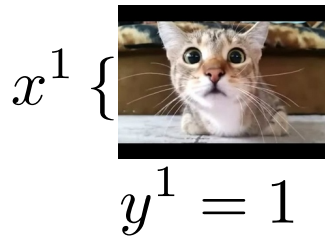
Find mapping h that assigns the “correct” target to each input

$$h : x \in \mathbf{R}^d \longrightarrow y \in \mathbf{R}$$

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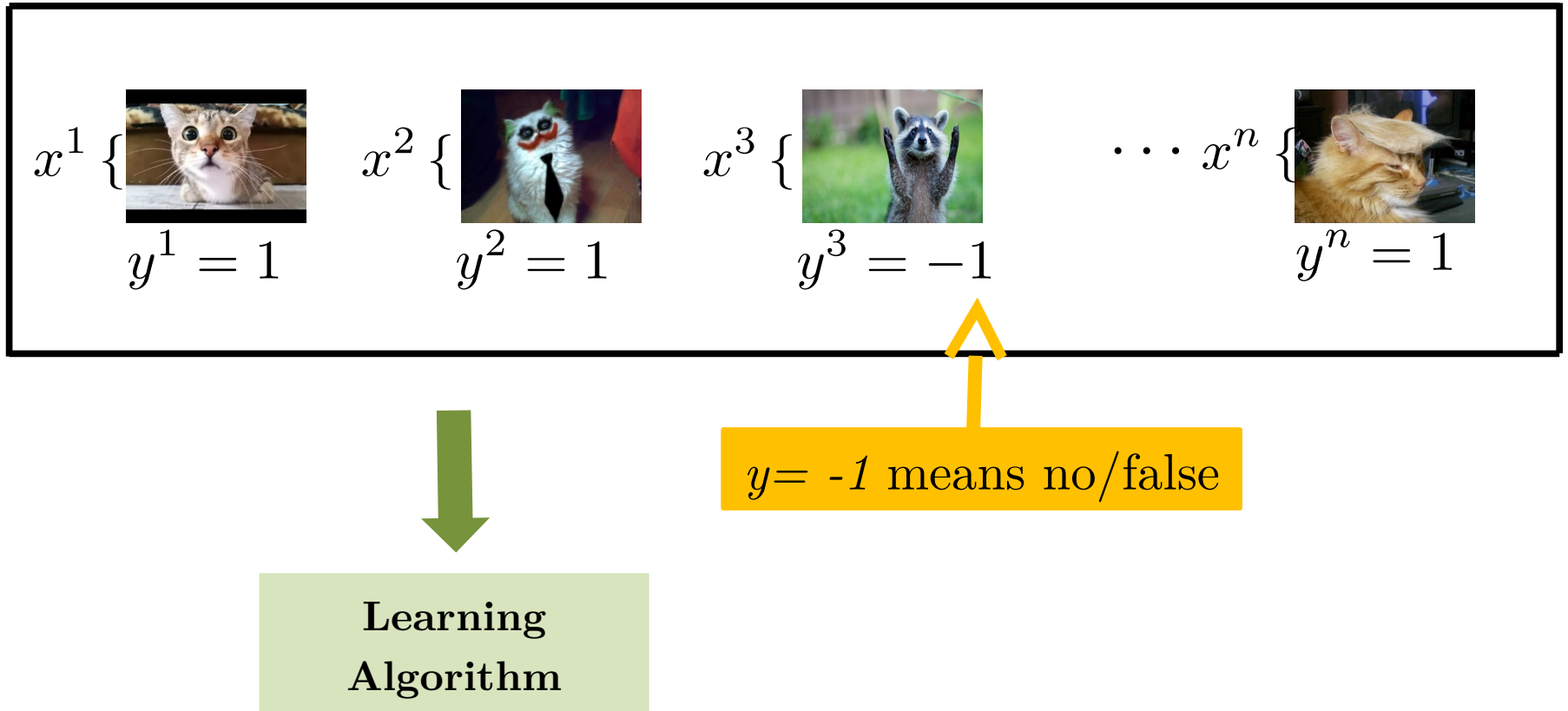


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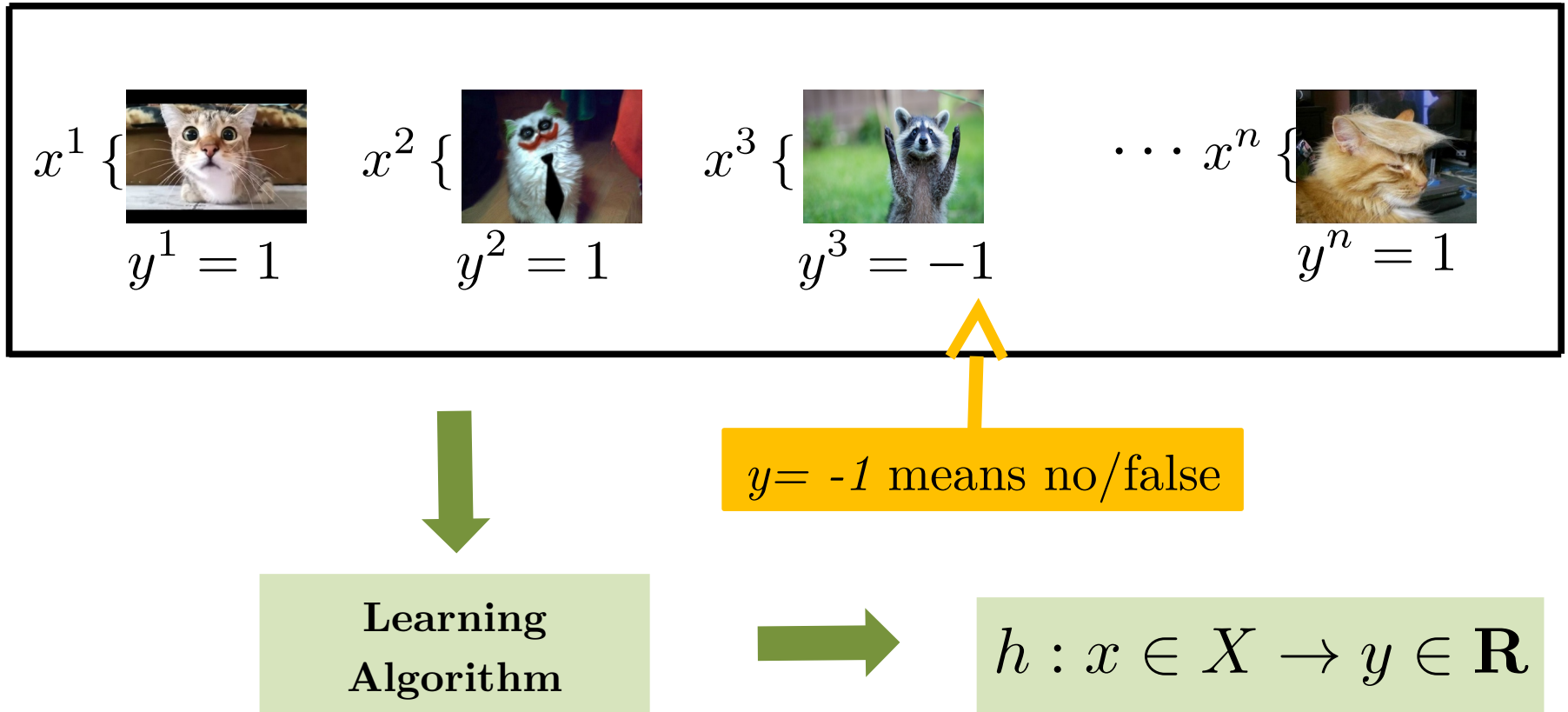


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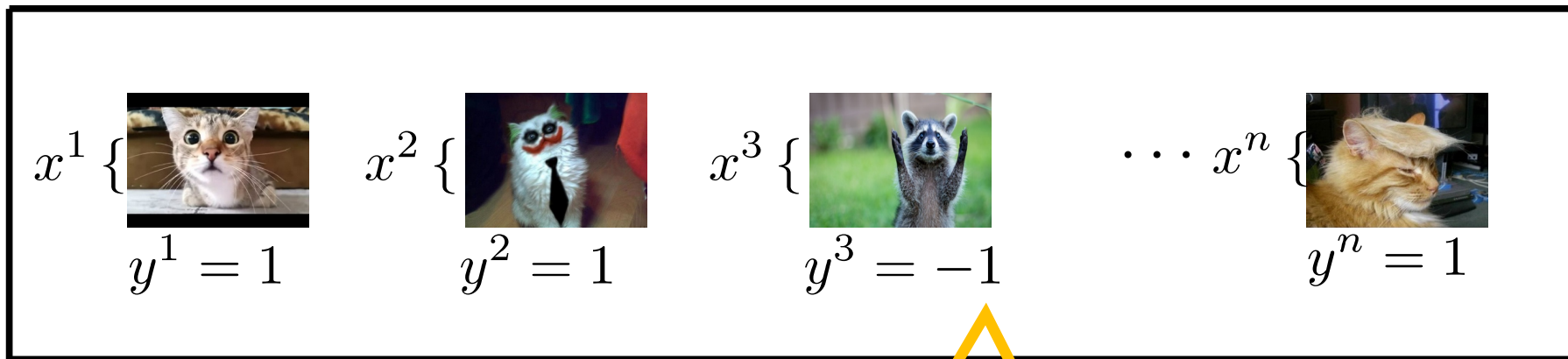
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Learning
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$h \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Image of a white bulldog sitting on a bench} \end{array} \right)$



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Example: Linear Regression for Height

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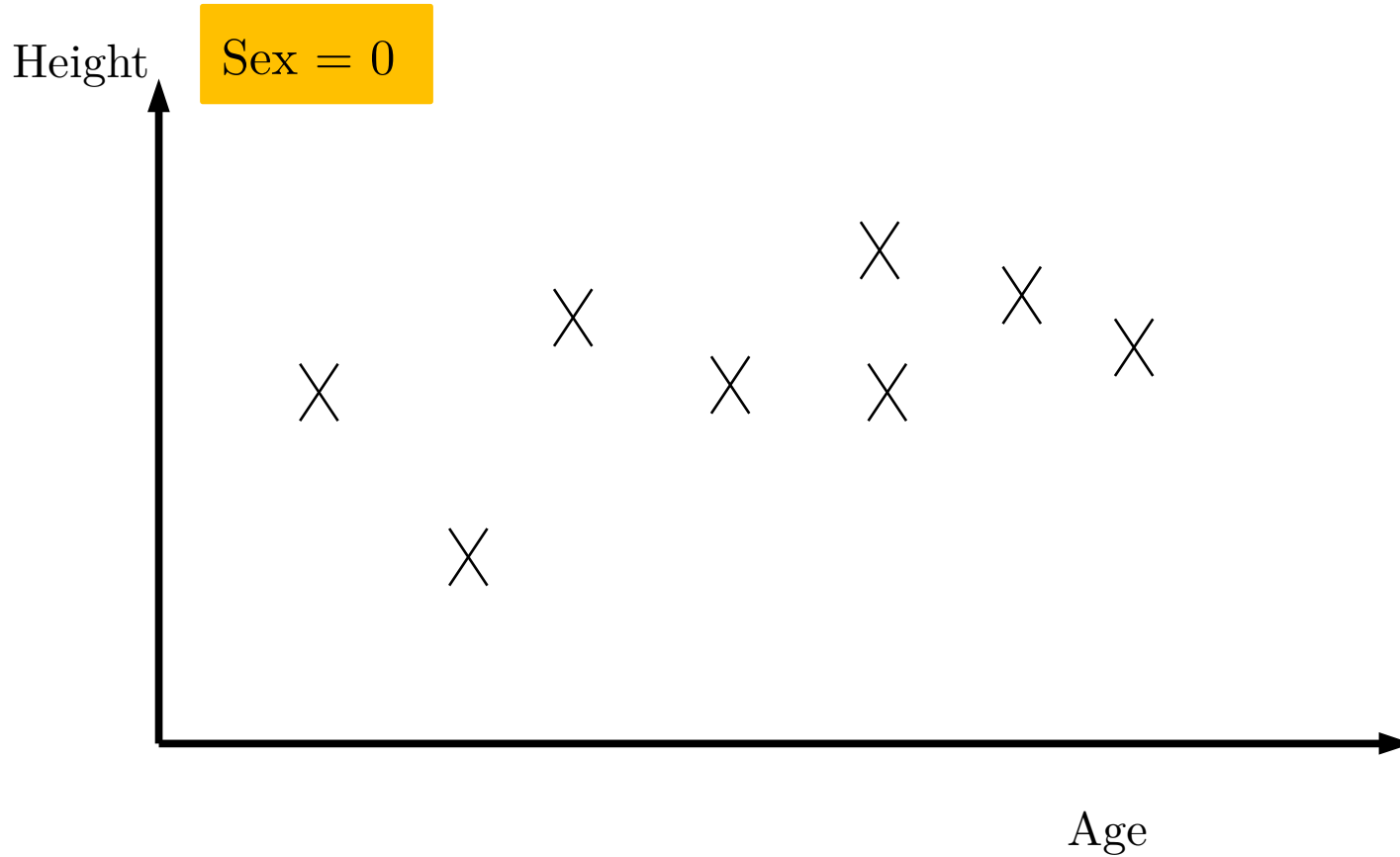
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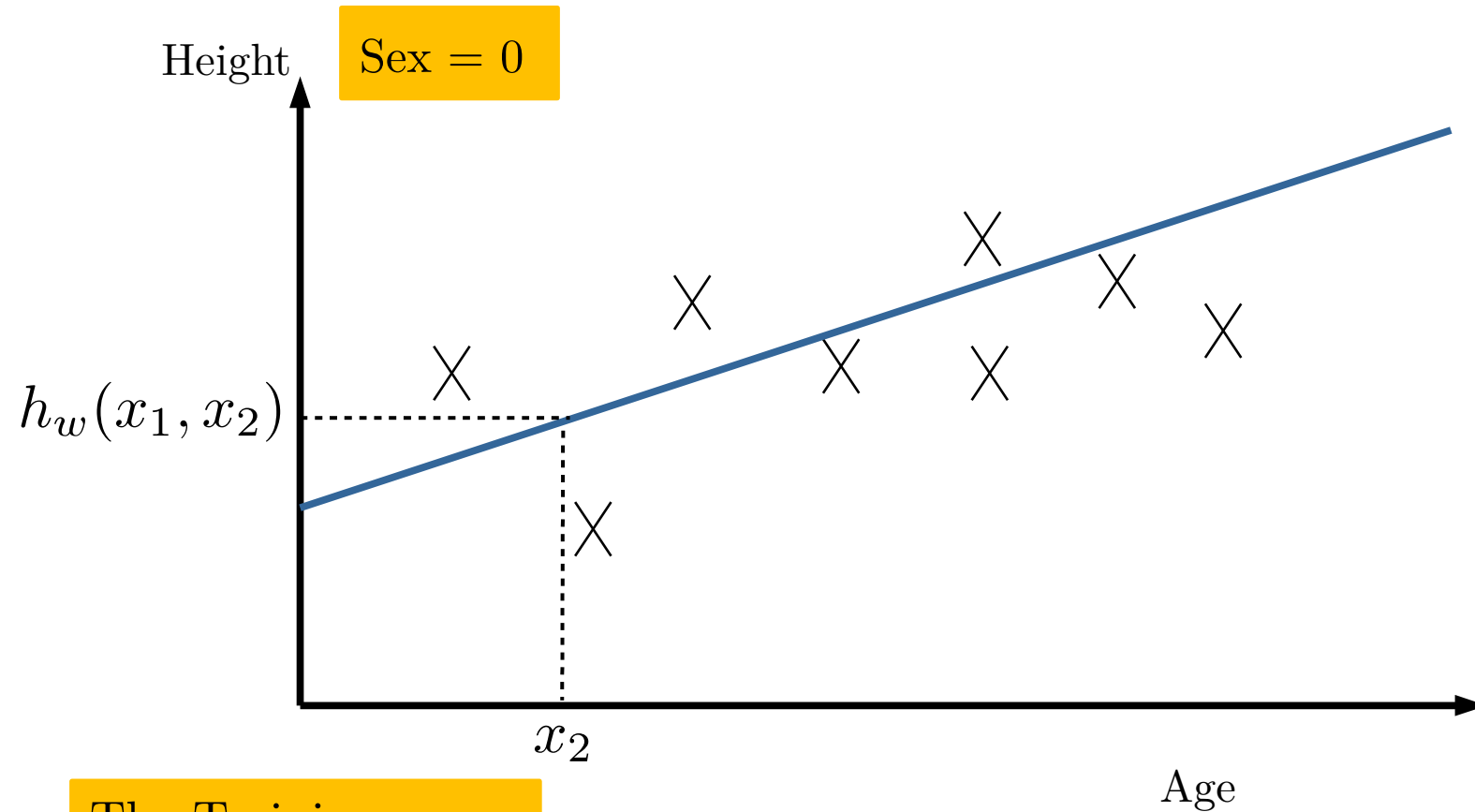
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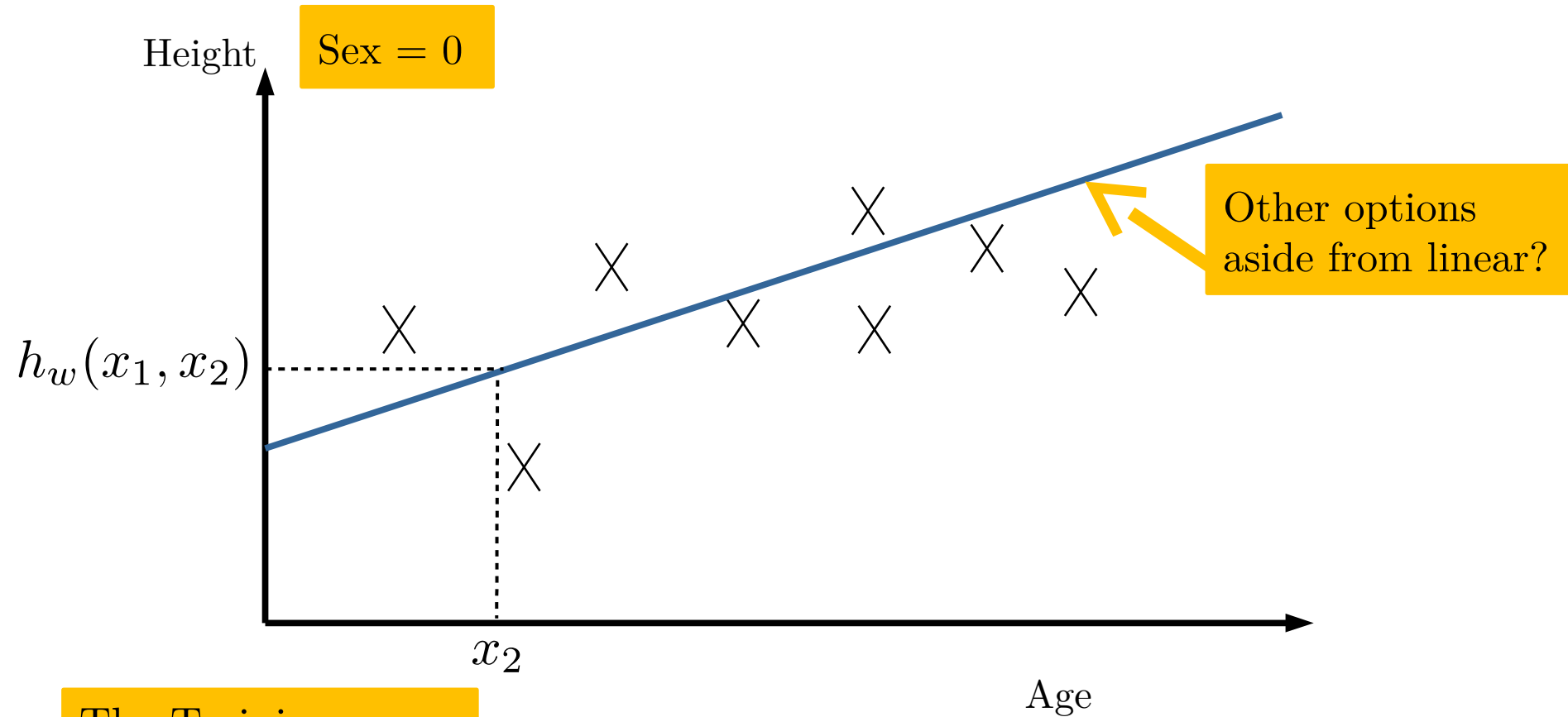
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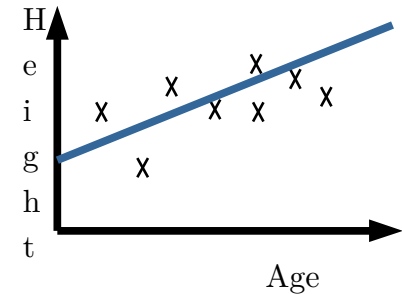
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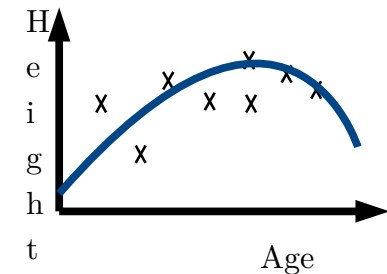
Linear:

$$h_w(x) = \sum_{i=0}^d w_i x_i$$

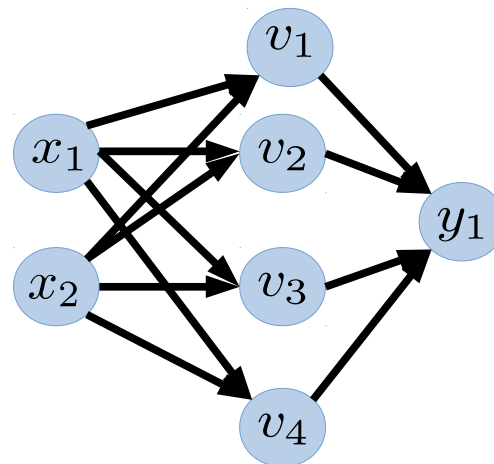


Polynomial:

$$h_w(x) = \sum_{i,j=0}^d w_{ij} x_i x_j$$



Neural Net:



exe :

$$v_1 = \text{sign}(w_{11}x_1 + w_{12}x_2)$$

$$v_4 = 1 / (1 + \exp(w_{41}x_1 + w_{42}x_2))$$

Loss Functions

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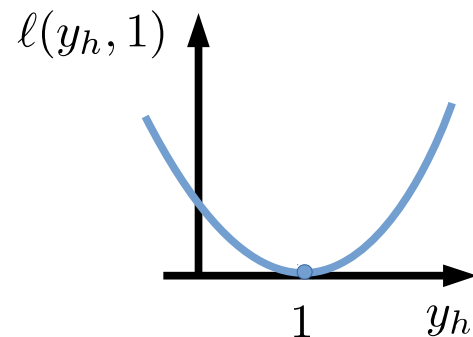
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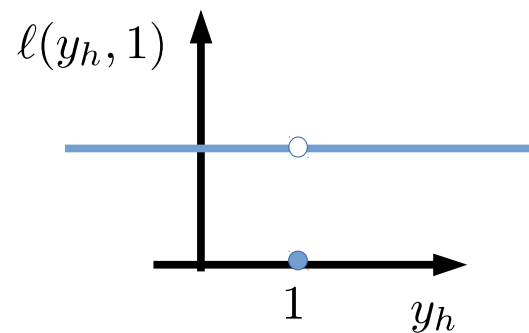
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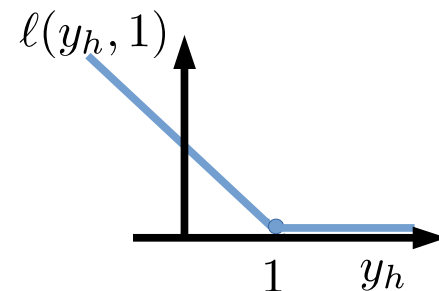
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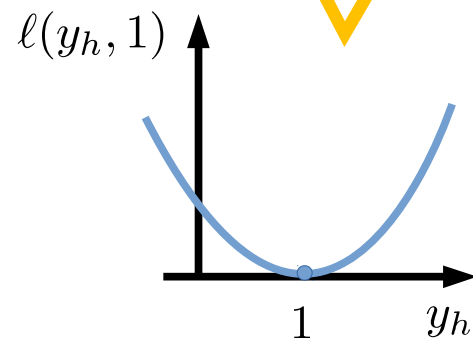
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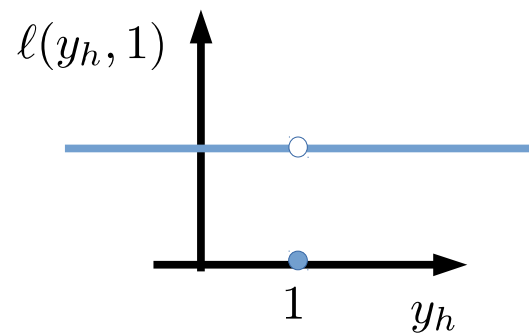
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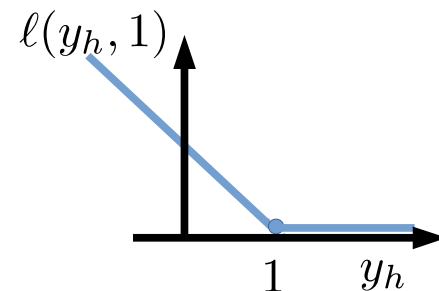
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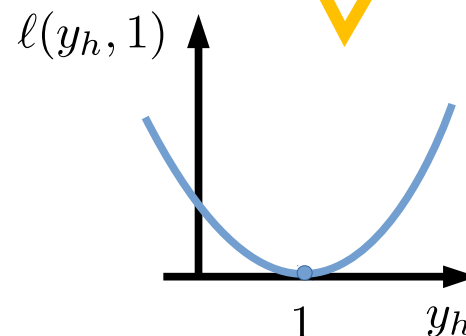
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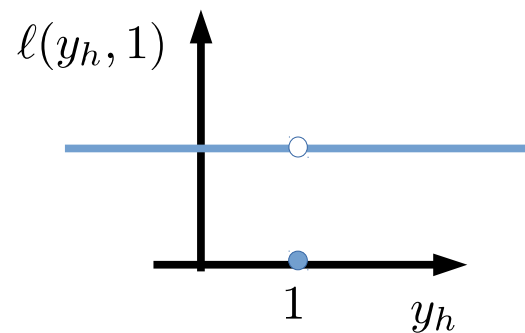
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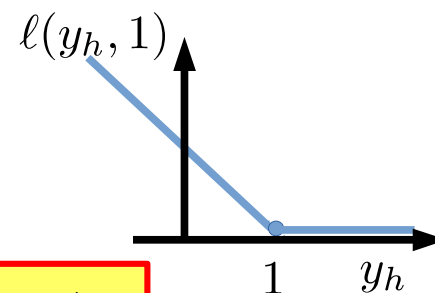
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EXE: Plot the binary and hinge loss function in when $y = -1$

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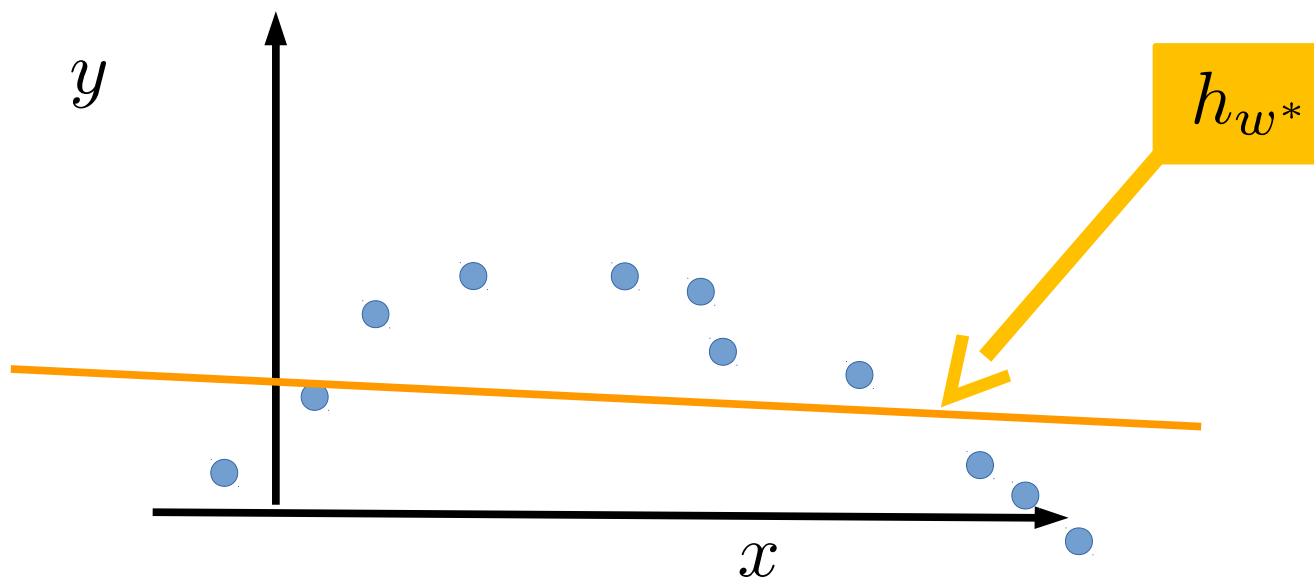
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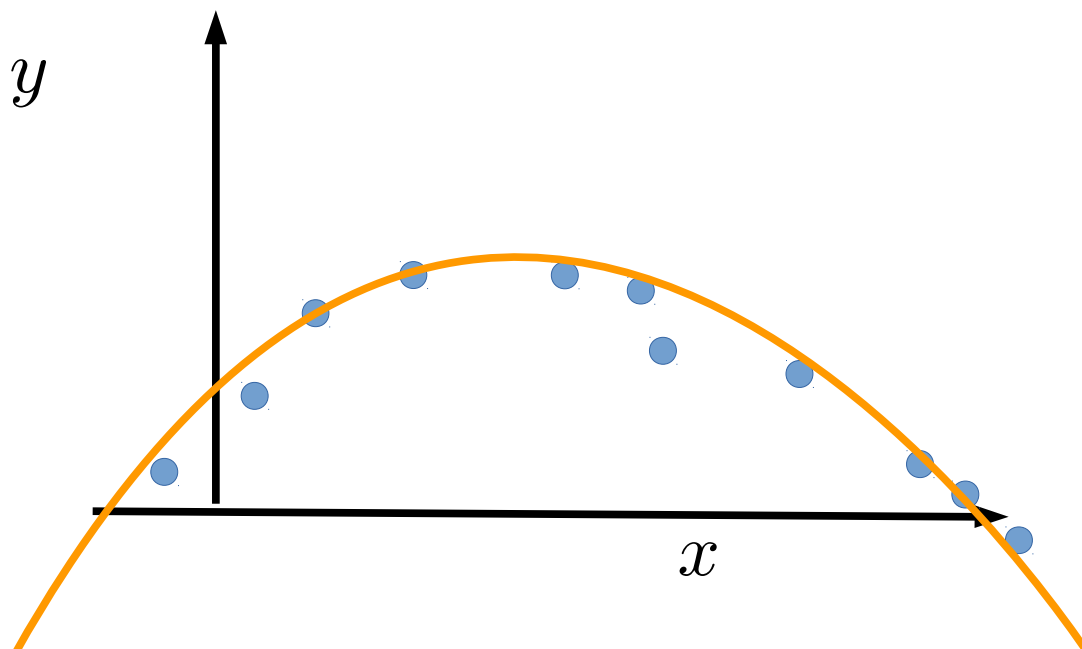


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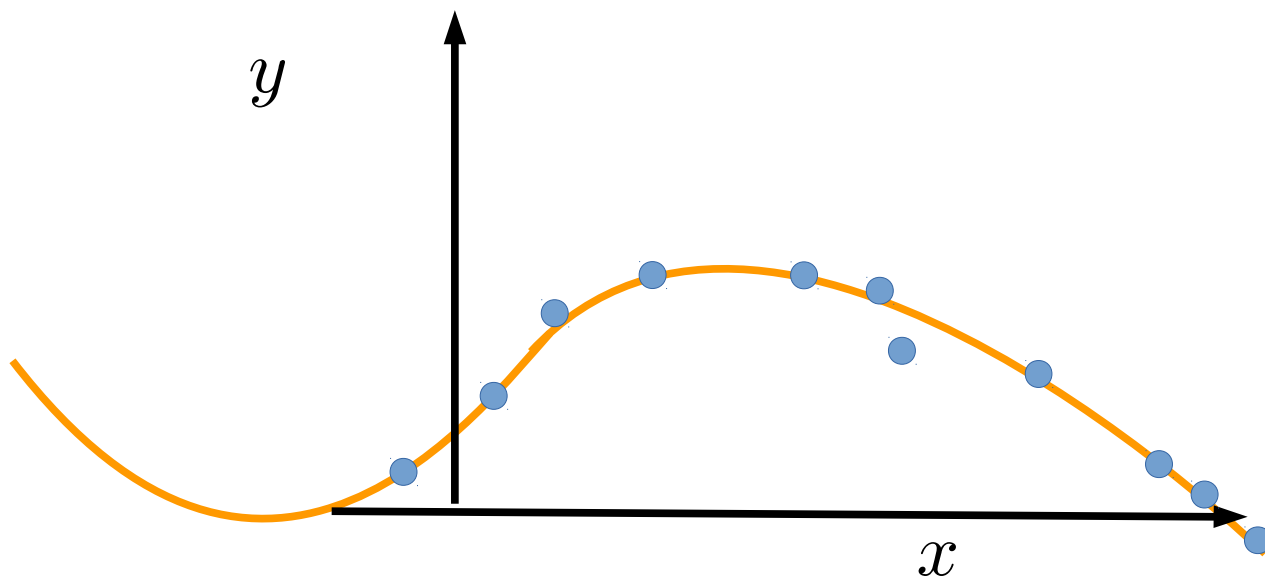


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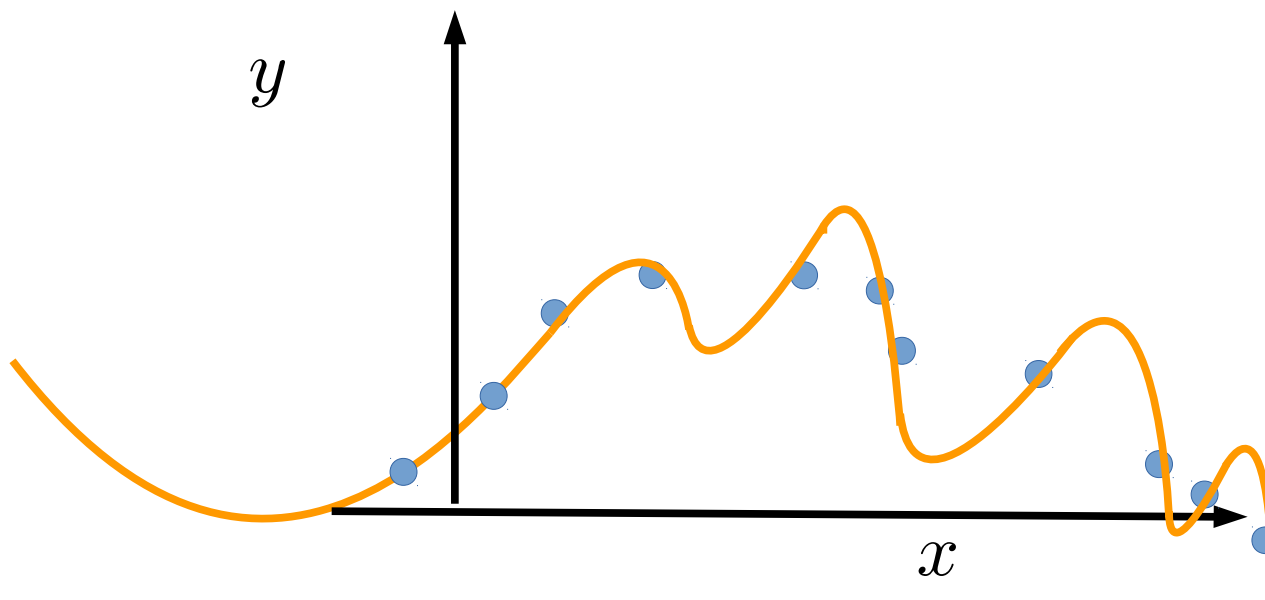


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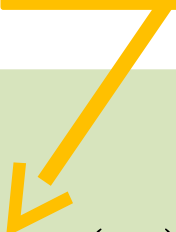
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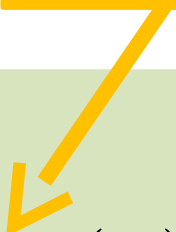
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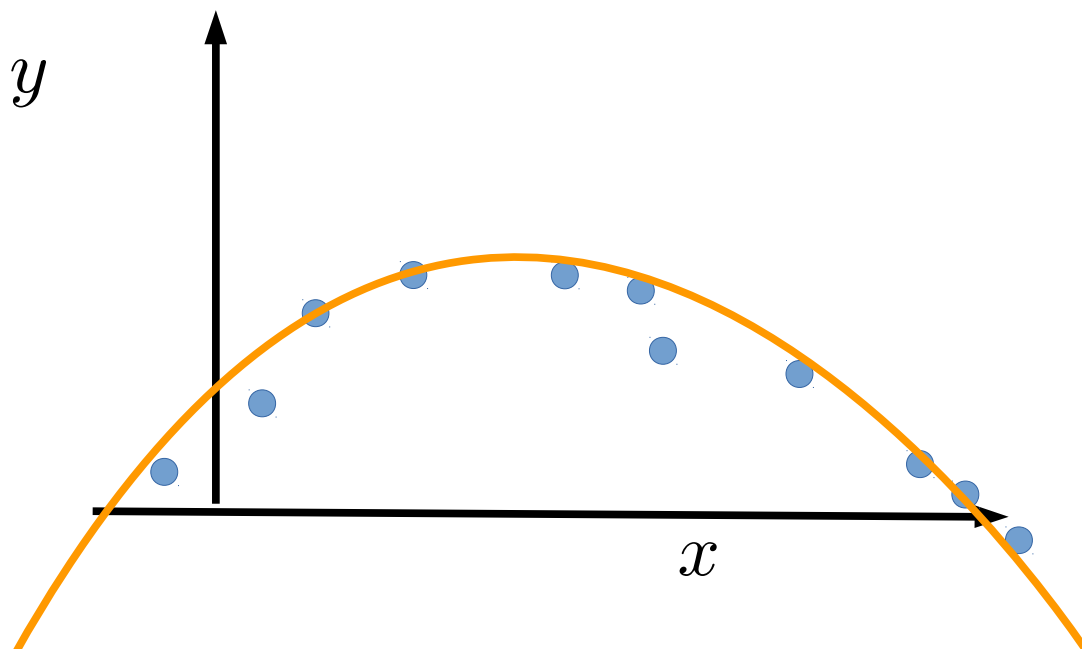
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Exe:

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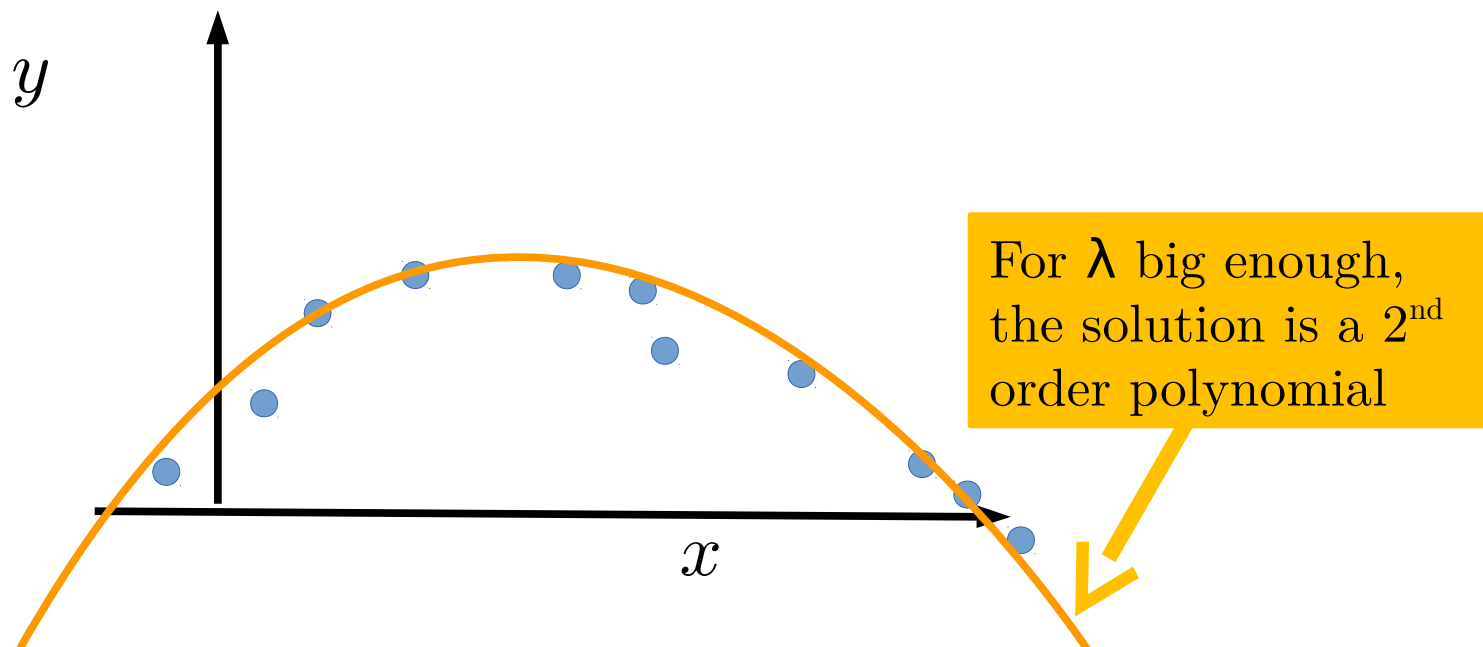


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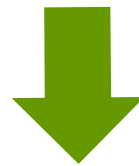


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Exe: Support Vector Machines

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SVM with soft margin

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The Statistical Learning Problem: The hard truth

Do we really care if the loss $\ell(h_w(x^i), y^i)$
is small on the *known* labelled data pairs (x^i, y^i) ? **Nope**

We really want to have a small loss on new unlabelled
Observations!

Assume data sampled $(x, y) \sim \mathcal{D}$ where \mathcal{D} is an unknown
distribution

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The statistical learning problem:

Minimize the expected loss over an *unknown* expectation

$$\min_{w \in \mathbf{R}^d} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim \mathcal{D}} [\ell(h_w(x), y)]$$

Variance of sample mean:

$$\left| \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim \mathcal{D}} [\ell(h_w(x), y)] - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ell(h_w(x_i), y_i) \right| = O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$