

# Today

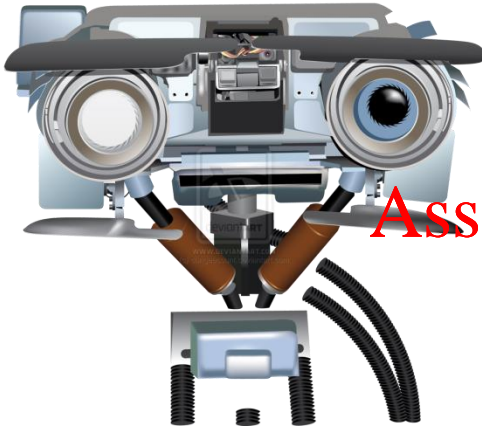
- Maximum Likelihood (cont'd)
- Classification

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# Maximum Likelihood for Linear Regression

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# Maximum likelihood way of estimating model parameters $\theta$

In general, assume data is generated by some distribution

$$U \sim p(U|\theta)$$

Observations (i.i.d.)

$$D = \{u^{(1)}, u^{(2)}, \dots, u^{(m)}\}$$

Maximum likelihood estimate

$$\mathcal{L}(D) = \prod_{i=1}^m p(u^{(i)}|\theta)$$

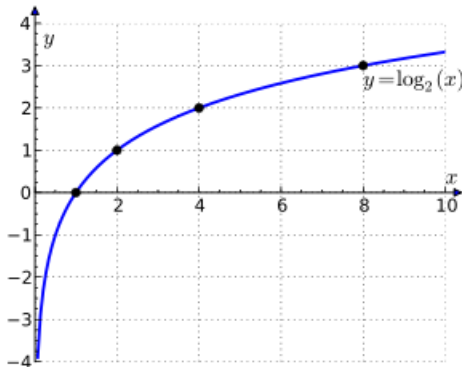
Likelihood

$$\theta_{ML} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(D)$$

Log likelihood

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^m \log p(u^{(i)}|\theta)$$

Note:  $p$  replaces  $h$ !



$\log(f(x))$  is monotonic/increasing, same argmax as  $f(x)$

# i.i.d. observations

- independently identically distributed random variables

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- If  $u^i$  are i.i.d. r.v.s, then

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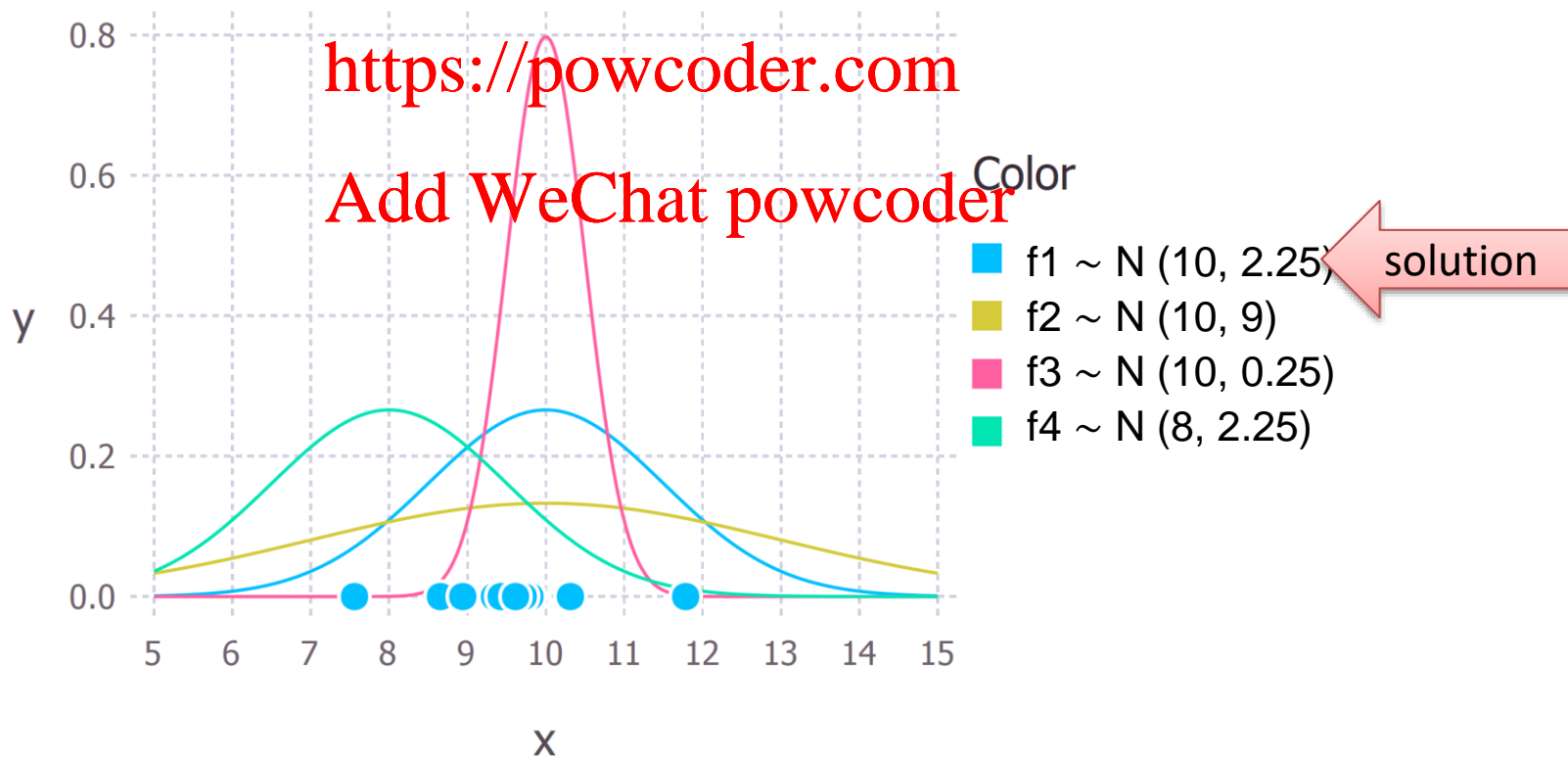
$$p(u^1, u^2, \dots, u^m) = p(u^1)p(u^2) \dots p(u^m)$$

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- A reasonable assumption about many datasets, but not always

# ML: Another example

- Observe a dataset of points  $D = \{x^i\}_{i=1:10}$
- Assume  $x$  is generated by Normal distribution,  $x \sim N(x|\mu, \sigma)$
- Find parameters  $\theta_{ML} = [\mu, \sigma]$  that maximize  $\prod_{i=1}^{10} N(x^i|\mu, \sigma)$



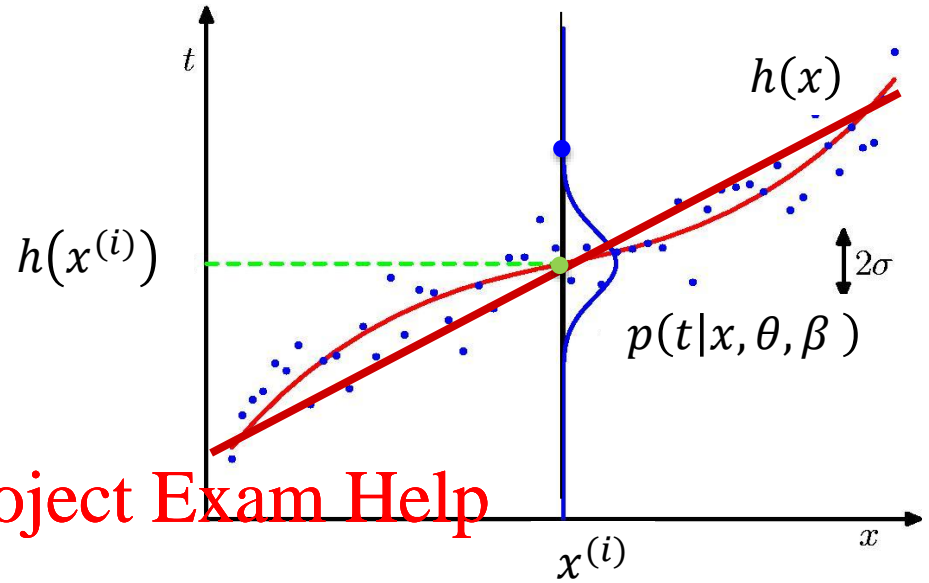
# ML for Linear Regression

Assume:

$$t = y + \epsilon = h(x) + \epsilon$$

Noise  $\epsilon \sim N(\epsilon|0, \beta^{-1})$ ,

where  $\beta = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$



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$t_i \quad h(x^{(i)})$

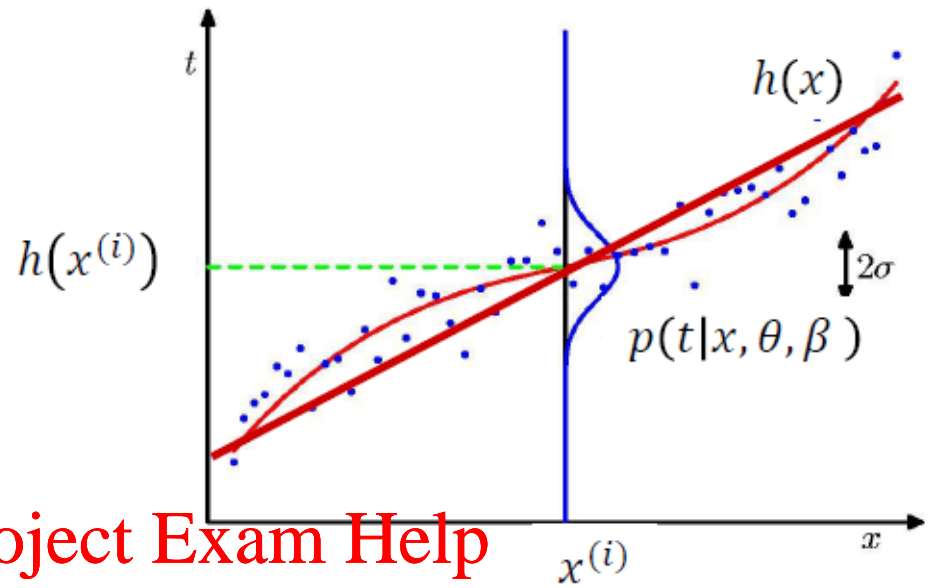
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Probability of one data point

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$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \theta, \beta) = \prod_{i=1}^m N(t^{(i)}|h(x^{(i)}), \beta^{-1})$$

Likelihood function

Max. likelihood solution

$$\theta_{ML} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \theta, \beta)$$

$$\beta_{ML} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\beta} p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \theta, \beta)$$

Want to maximize

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \theta, \beta) = \prod_{i=1}^m N(t^{(i)} | h(x^{(i)}), \beta^{-1})$$

Easier to maximize  $\log()$

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$$\ln p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \theta, \beta) = -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (h(x^{(i)}) - t^{(i)})^2 + \frac{m}{2} \ln \beta - \frac{m}{2} \ln(2\pi)$$

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Want to **maximize** w.r.t.  $\theta$

$$\ln p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \theta, \beta) = -\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (h(x^{(i)}) - t^{(i)})^2 + \frac{m}{2} \ln \beta - \frac{m}{2} \ln(2\pi)$$

... but this is same as **Assignment 4 Project Exam Help** sum-of-squares cost<sup>1</sup>

$$\frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h(x^{(i)}) - t^{(i)})^2$$

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... which is the same as our SSE cost from before!!

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

<sup>1</sup>multiply by  $-\frac{1}{m\beta}$ , changing max to min, omit last two terms (don't depend on  $\theta$ )

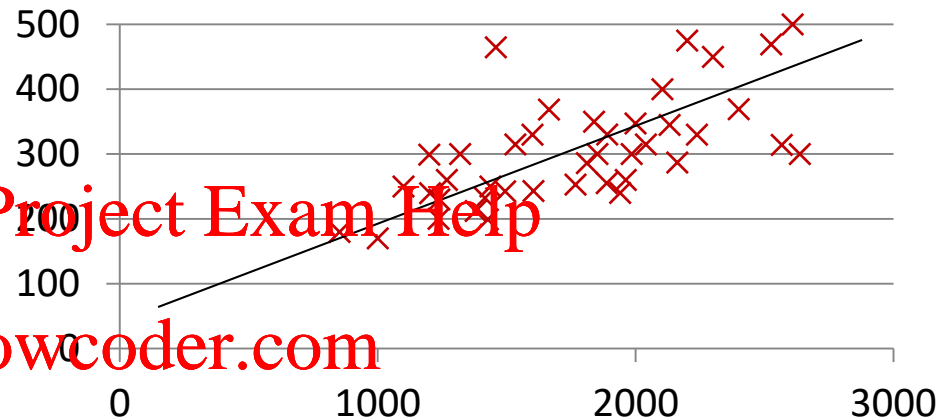
# Summary: Maximum Likelihood Solution for Linear Regression

Hypothesis:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta^T x$$

$\theta$ : parameters

$D = (x^{(i)}, t^{(i)})$ : data



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Likelihood:

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \theta, \beta) = \prod_{i=1}^m N(t^{(i)} | h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}), \beta^{-1})$$

Goal: maximize likelihood, equivalent to

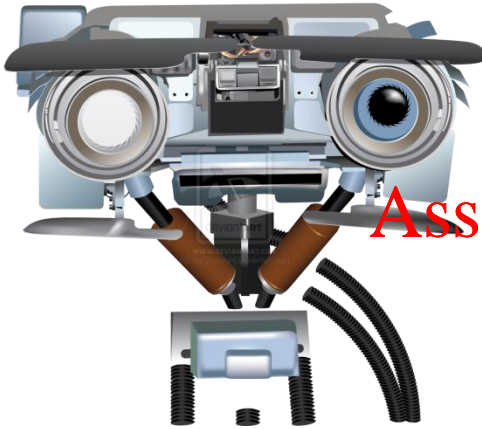
$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\theta} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - t^{(i)})^2 \quad (\text{same as minimizing SSE})$$

# Probabilistic Motivation for SSE

- Under the Gaussian noise assumption, maximizing the probability of the data points is the same as minimizing a sum of squares cost function

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- Also known as least squares method
- ML can be used for other hypotheses!
  - But linear regression has closed-form solution



# Supervised Learning: Classification

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# Classification

$$y \in \{0,1\}$$

0: “Negative Class” (e.g., benign tumor)

1: “Positive Class” (e.g., malignant tumor)

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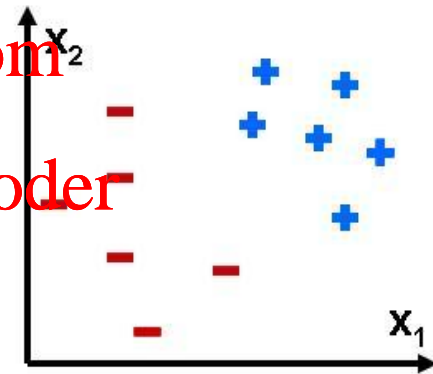
Tumor: Malignant / Benign?

Email: Spam / Not Spam?

Video: Viral / Not Viral?

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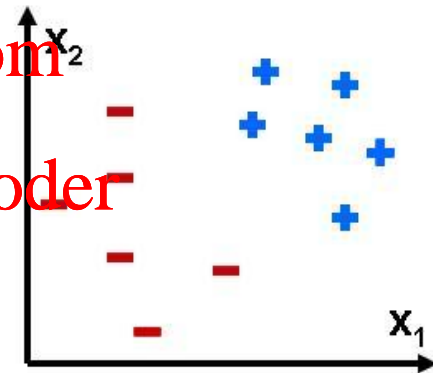
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Why not use least squares regression?

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\theta} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$



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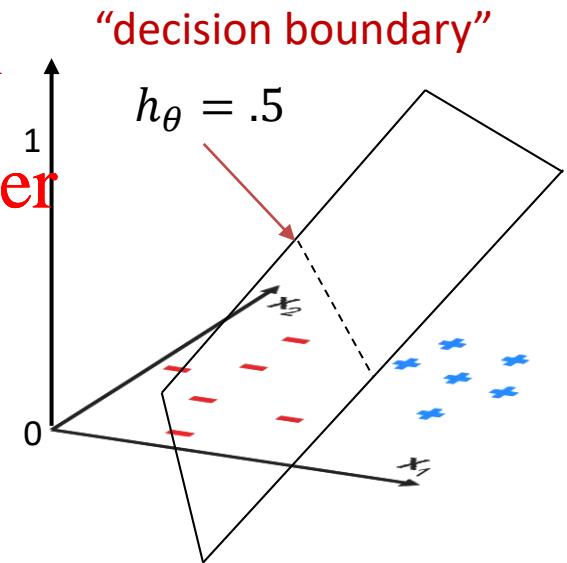
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- Indeed, this is possible!
  - Predict 1 if  $h_{\theta}(x) > .5$ , 0 otherwise
- However, outliers lead to problems...
- Instead, use **logistic regression**



# Least Squares vs. Logistic Regression for Classification

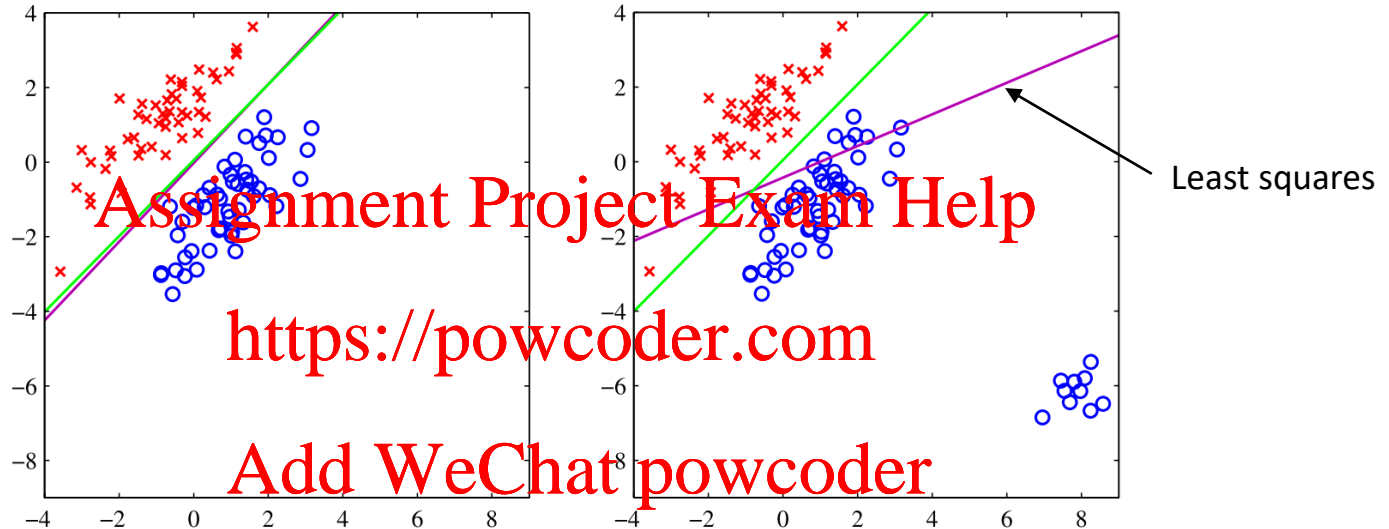


Figure 4.4 from Bishop. The left plot shows data from two classes, denoted by red crosses and blue circles, together with the decision boundary found by least squares (magenta curve) and also by the logistic regression model (green curve). The right-hand plot shows the corresponding results obtained when extra data points are added at the bottom left of the diagram, showing that **least squares is highly sensitive to outliers**, unlike logistic regression.

(see Bishop 4.1.3 for more details)



# Logistic Regression

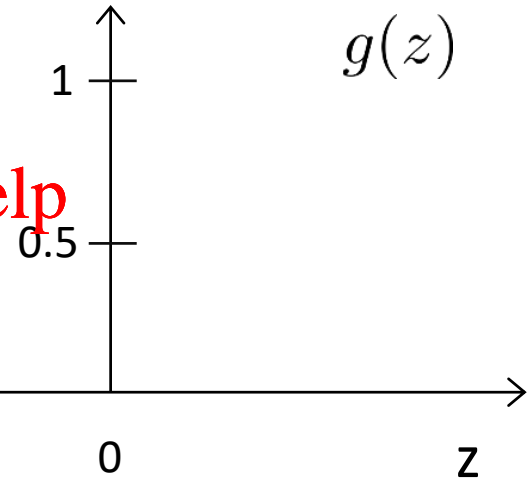
$$0 \leq h_{\theta}(x) \leq 1$$

map to (0, 1) with “sigmoid” function

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta^T x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\theta^T x}}$$

$$h_{\theta}(x) = p(y = 1|x) \quad \text{“probability of class 1 given input”}$$



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# Logistic Regression

Hypothesis:

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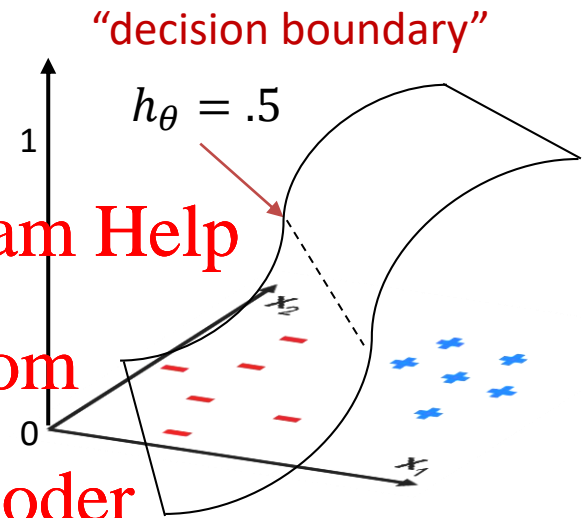
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Predict “y = 1” if  $h_{\theta}(x) \geq 0.5$

Predict “y = 0” if  $h_{\theta}(x) < 0.5$

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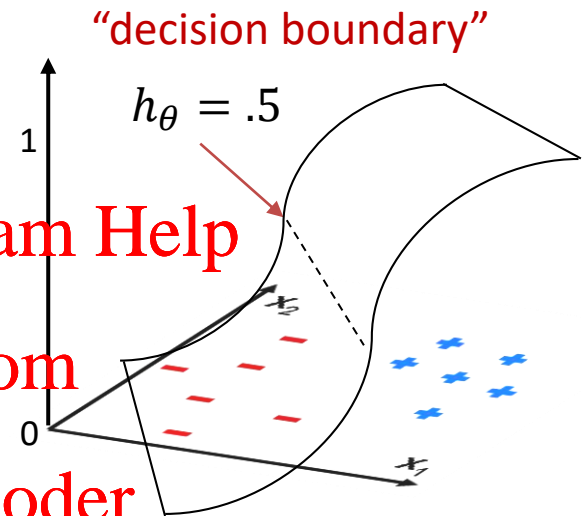
# Logistic Regression Cost

Hypothesis:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta^T x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\theta^T x}}$$

$\theta$ : parameters

$D = (x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$ : data



Cost Function: cross entropy

$$\begin{aligned} J(\theta) &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \text{Cost}(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}), y^{(i)}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log (1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Goal: minimize cost  $\min_{\theta} J(\theta)$

# Cross Entropy Cost

- Cross entropy compares distribution  $q$  to reference  $p$

$$H(p, q) = - \sum_x p(x) \log q(x)$$

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- Here  $q$  is predicted probability of  $y=1$  given  $x$ , reference distribution is  $p=y^{(i)}$ , which is either 1 or 0

$$-\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log (1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) \right]$$

# Gradient of Cross Entropy Cost

- Cross entropy cost

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$$= -\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log (1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) \right]$$

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- its gradient w.r.t  $\theta$  is:

$$(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)} \quad (\text{left as exercise})$$

- No direct closed-form solution

# Gradient descent for Logistic Regression

## Cost

$$J(\theta) = -\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log (1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) \right]$$

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Want  $\min_{\theta} J(\theta)$ : <https://powcoder.com>

Repeat {

$$\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$$

(simultaneously update all  $\theta_j$ )

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# Gradient descent for Logistic Regression

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# Maximum Likelihood Derivation of Logistic Regression Cost

We can derive the Logistic Regression cost

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \text{Cost}(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}), y^{(i)})$$

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using Maximum Likelihood, by writing down the likelihood function as

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$$p(D|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^m p(y = 1|x^{(i)}, \theta)^{y^{(i)}} (1 - p(y = 1|x^{(i)}, \theta))^{(1-y^{(i)})}$$

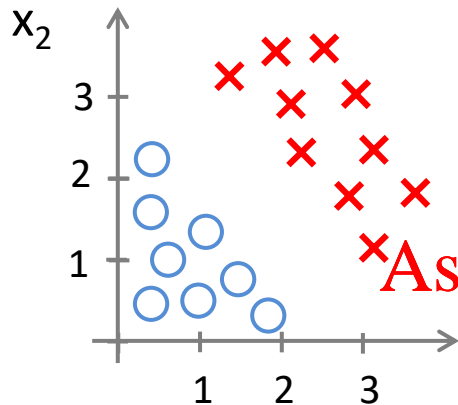
where

$$p(y = 1|x^{(i)}, \theta) = h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})$$

then taking the log.



# Decision boundary



$$h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2)$$

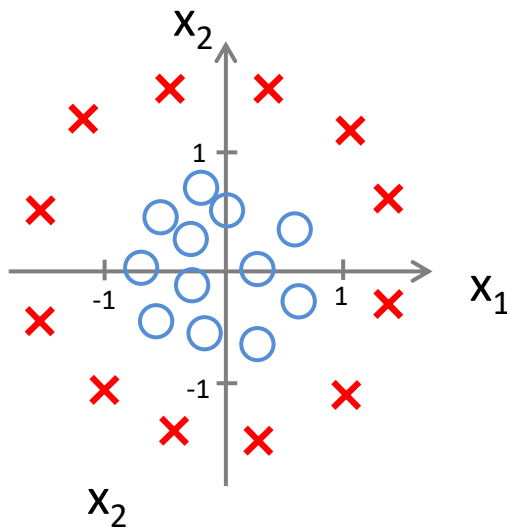
Predict “ $y = 1$ ” if  $-3 + x_1 + x_2 \geq 0$

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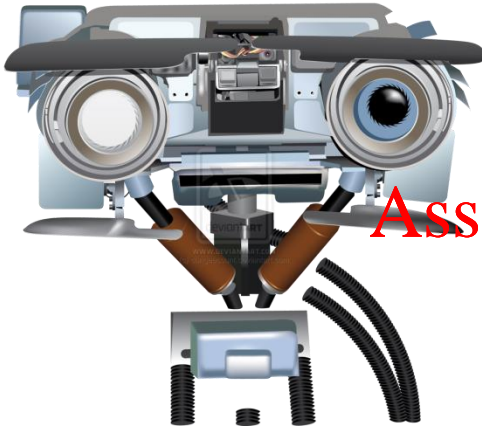
## Non-linear decision boundaries

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$$h_{\theta}(x) = g(\theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_3 x_1^2 + \theta_4 x_2^2)$$

Predict “ $y = 1$ ” if  $-1 + x_1^2 + x_2^2 \geq 0$



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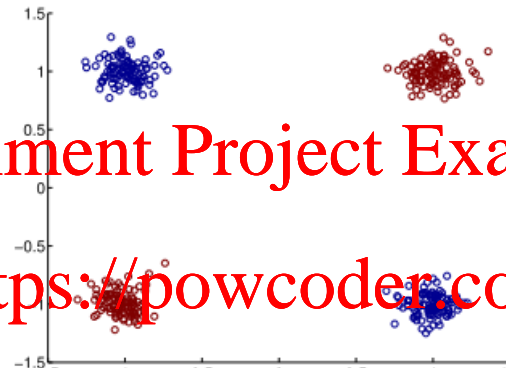
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Non-linear features

# What to do if data is nonlinear?

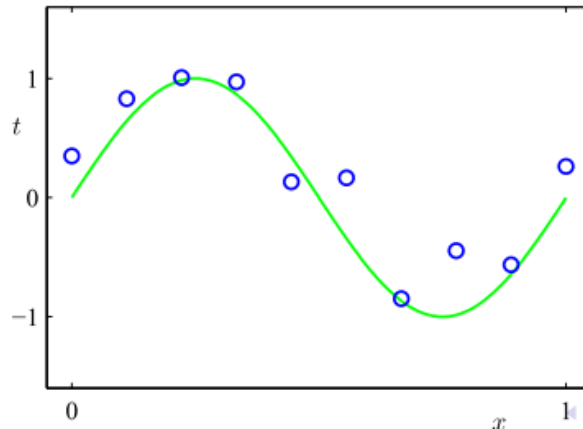
## Example of nonlinear classification



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## Example of nonlinear regression



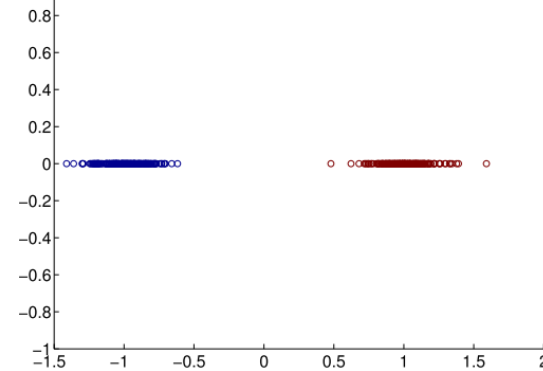
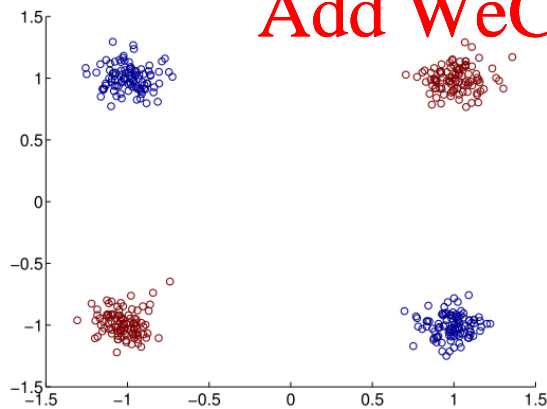
# Nonlinear basis functions

Transform the input/feature

$$\phi(x) : x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow z = x_1 \cdot x_2$$

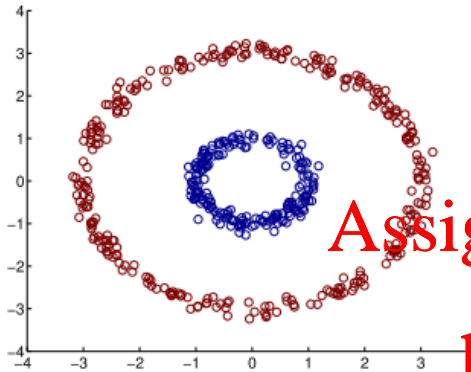
Transformed training data: <https://powcoder.com>

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# Another example

How to transform the input/feature?



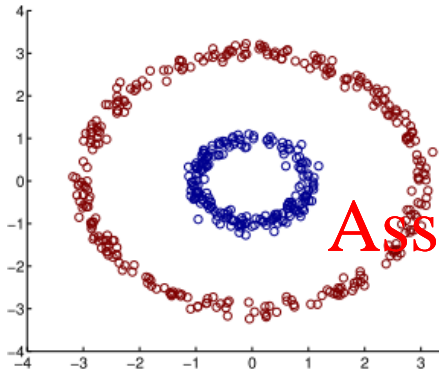
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# Another example

How to transform the input/feature?



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$$\phi(x): x \in R^2 \rightarrow z = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_1 \cdot x_2 \\ x_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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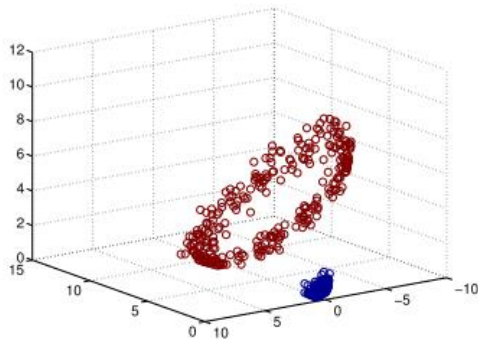
Transformed training data: linearly separable

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Intuition: suppose  $\theta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{Then } \theta^T z = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$

i.e., the sq. distance to the origin!



# Non-linear basis functions

- We can use a nonlinear mapping, or **basis function**

$$\phi(x) : x \in \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow z \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

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- where M is the dimensionality of the new feature/input z (or  $\phi(x)$ ) **Add WeChat powcoder**
- Note that M could be either greater than D or less than, or the same

# Example with regression

## Polynomial basis functions

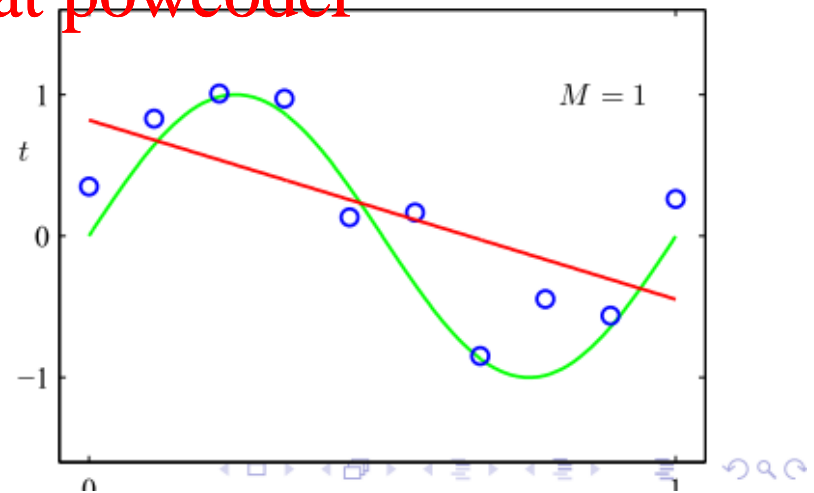
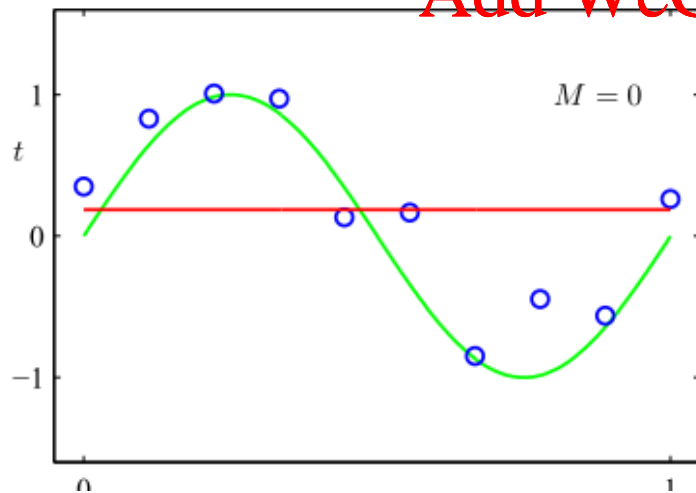
$$\phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ x^2 \\ \vdots \\ x^M \end{bmatrix}$$

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Fitting samples from a sine function: *underrfitting* as  $f(x)$  is too simple

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# Add more polynomial basis functions

## Polynomial basis functions

$$\phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ x^2 \\ \vdots \\ x^M \end{bmatrix}$$

Being too adaptive leads to better results on the training data, but not so great on data that has not been seen!

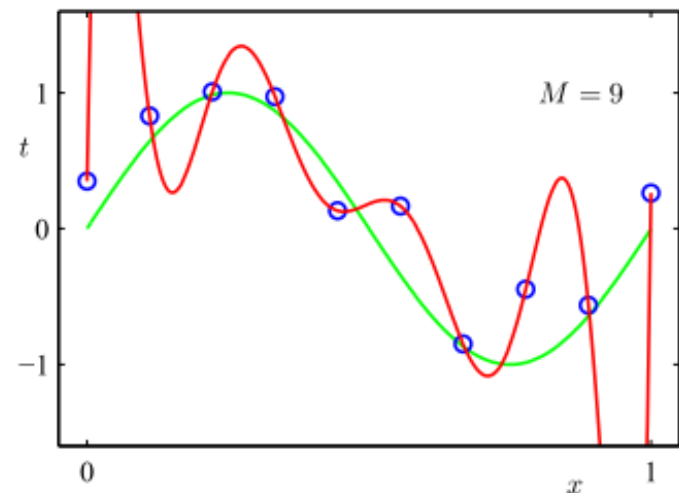
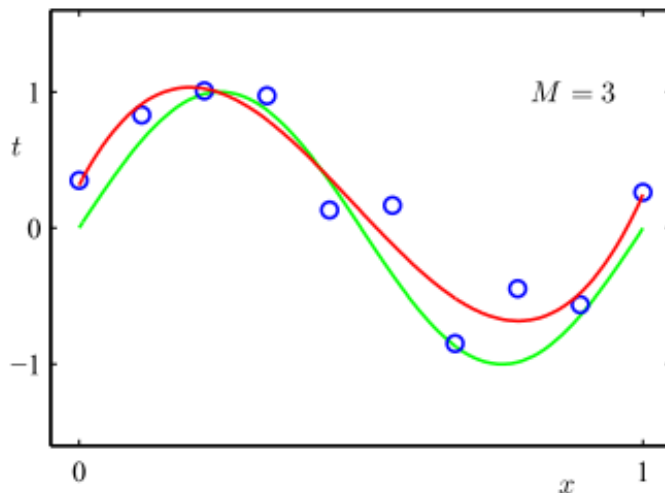
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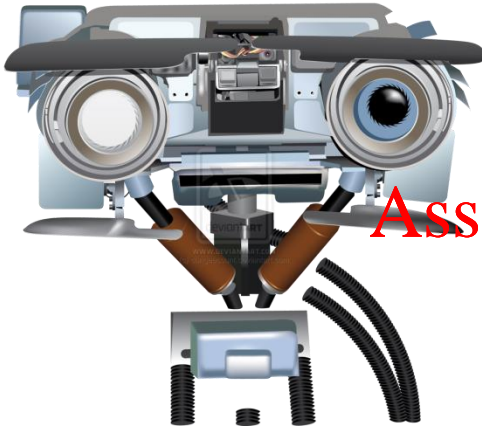
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**M=3** *good fit*

**M=9** *overfitting*

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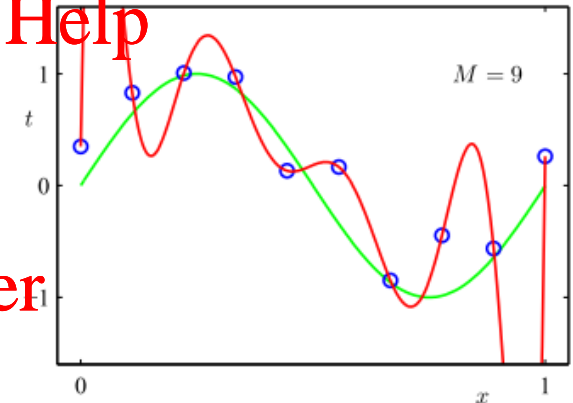
Overfitting

# Overfitting

Parameters for higher-order polynomials are very large

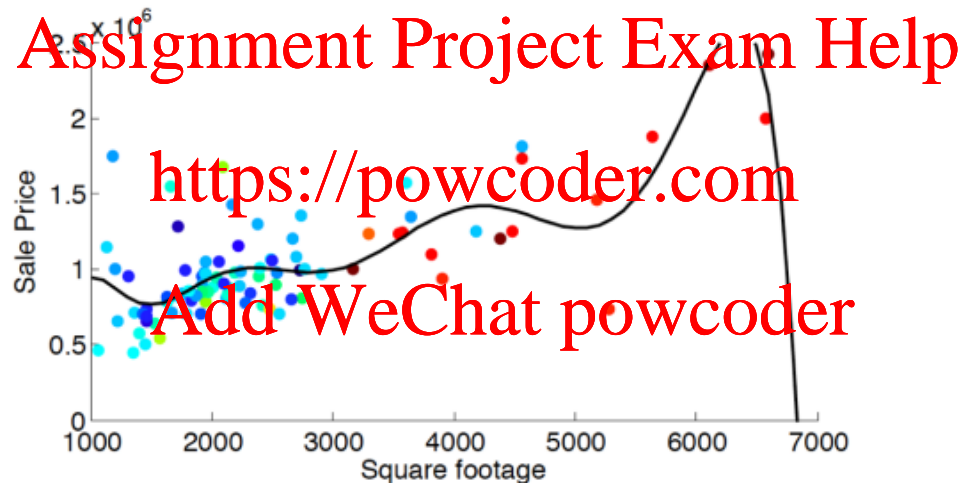
	M = 0	M = 1	M = 3	M = 9
$\theta_0$	0.19	0.82	0.31	0.35
$\theta_1$		-1.27	7.99	232.37
$\theta_2$			-25.43	-5321.83
$\theta_3$			17.37	48568.31
$\theta_4$				-231639.30
$\theta_5$				640042.26
$\theta_6$				-1061800.52
$\theta_7$				1042400.18
$\theta_8$				-557682.99
$\theta_9$				125201.43

M=9: *overfitting*



# Overfitting disaster

Fitting the housing price data with  $M = 3$

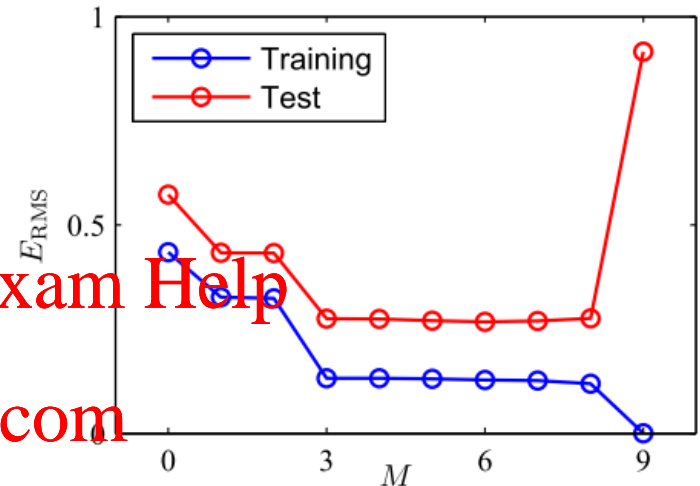


Note that the price would go to zero (or negative) if you buy bigger houses!  
This is called poor generalization/overfitting.

# Detecting overfitting

Plot model complexity versus  
objective function on test/train data

As model becomes more complex,  
performance on training keeps  
improving while on test data it increases



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**Horizontal axis:** measure of model complexity  
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In this example, we use the maximum order of the polynomial basis functions.

**Vertical axis:** For regression, it would be SSE or mean SE (MSE)  
For classification, the vertical axis would be classification error rate or cross-entropy error function

# Overcoming overfitting

- Basic ideas

- Use more training data.
- Regularization methods
- Cross-validation

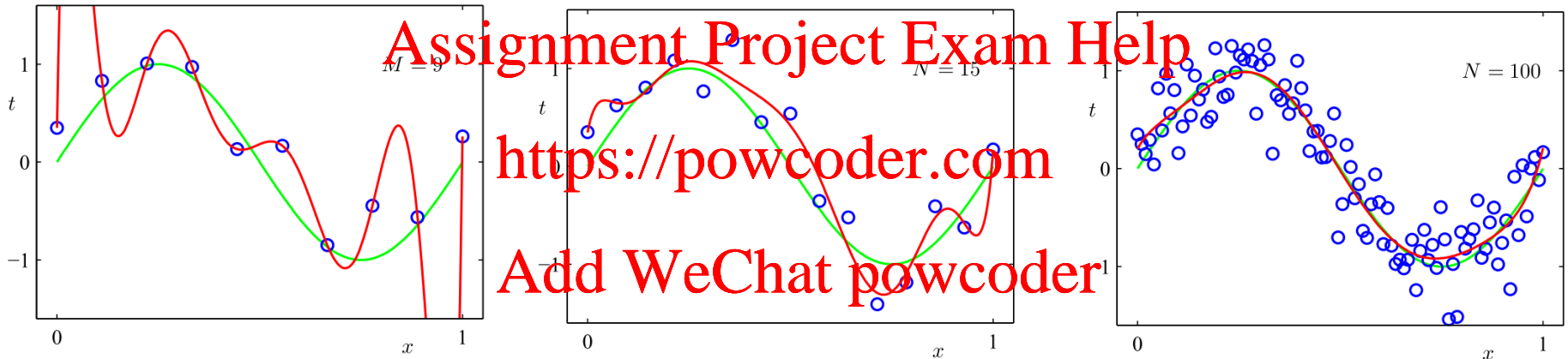
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# Solution: use more data

$M=9$ , increase  $N$



What if we do not have a lot of data?

# Overcoming overfitting

- Basic ideas

- Use more training data

- Regularization methods

- Cross-validation

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# Next Class

## Supervised Learning 3: Regularization

more logistic regression, regularization; bias-variance **Assignment Project Exam Help**

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**Reading:** Bishop 3.1, 3.2  
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**Discussion/Lab this week:** Intro to Numpy

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