

k-means clustering (recap)

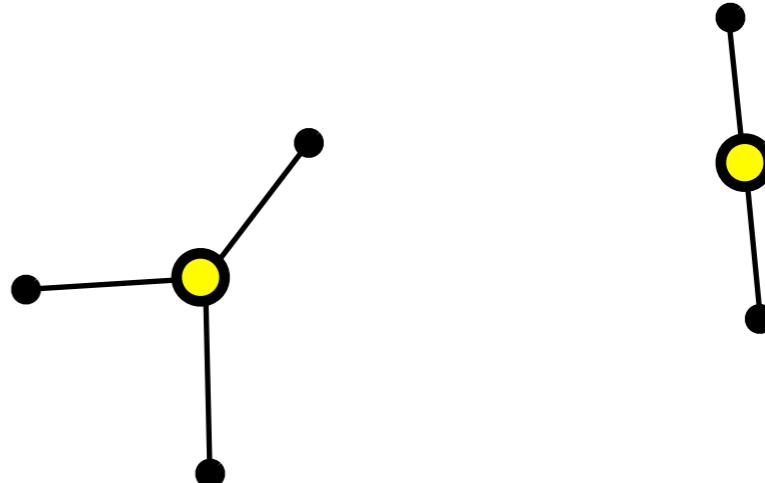
- Idea: try to estimate k cluster centers by minimizing “distortion”
- Define distortion as:

$$D = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K r_{nk} \| \mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k \|^2$$

r_{nk} = 1 if $\mathbf{x}_n \in$ Assignment Project Exam Help
cluster k , 0 otherwise.

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- r_{nk} is 1 for the closest cluster mean to \mathbf{x}_n .
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- Each point \mathbf{x}_n is the minimum distance from its closet center.
- How do we learn the cluster means?
- Need to derive a **learning rule**.



Deriving a learning rule for the cluster means

- Our objective function is:

$$D = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K r_{nk} \| \mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k \|^2$$

- Here, we can solve for the mean:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_k = \frac{\sum_n r_{nk} \mathbf{x}_n}{\sum_n r_{nk}}$$

- Differentiate w.r.t. to the mean (the parameter we want to estimate):

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$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}_k} = 2 \sum_{n=1}^N r_{nk} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)$$

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- This is simply a weighted mean for each cluster.

• Thus we have a simple estimation algorithm (*k-means clustering*)

- We know the optimum is when

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}_k} = 2 \sum_{n=1}^N r_{nk} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k) = 0$$

1. select k points at random
 2. estimate (update) means
 3. repeat until converged
- convergence (to a local minimum) is guaranteed

How do we choose k?

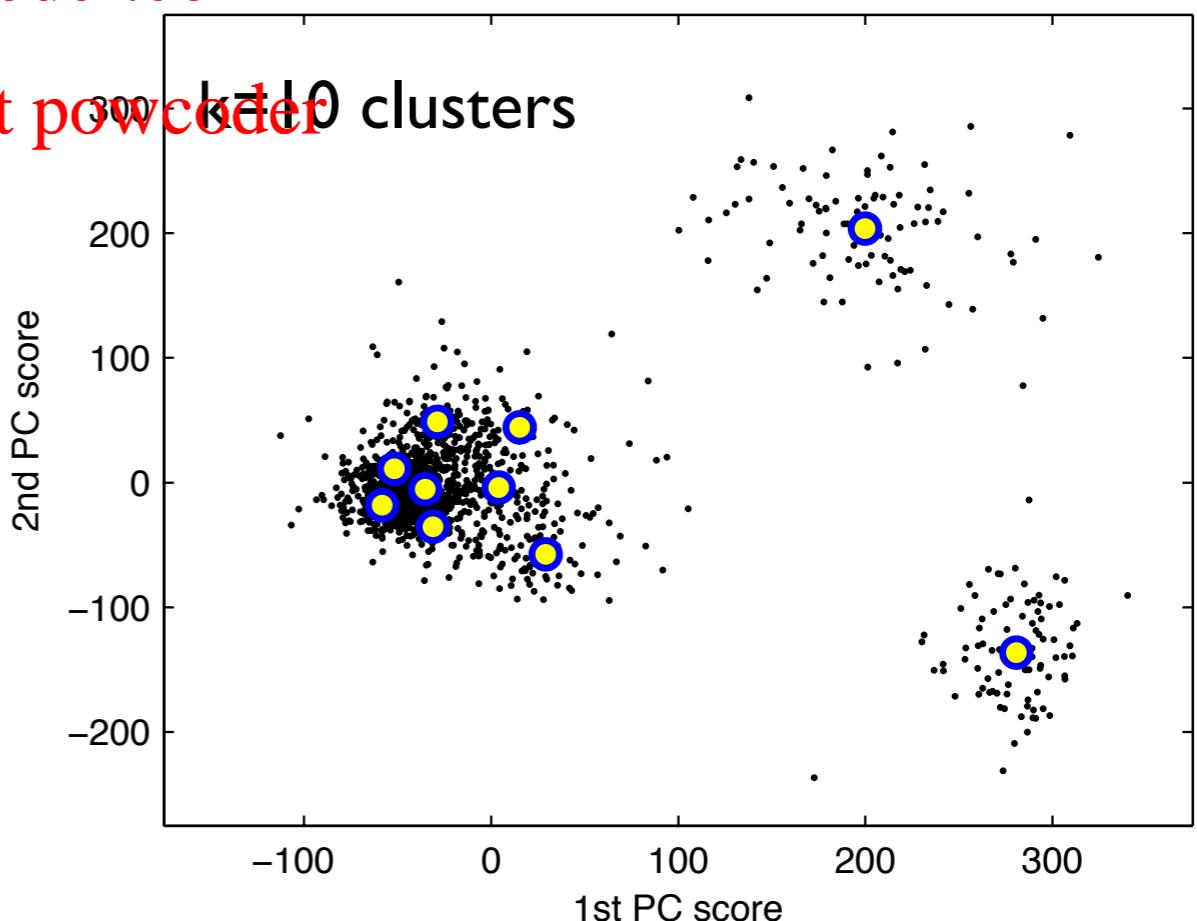
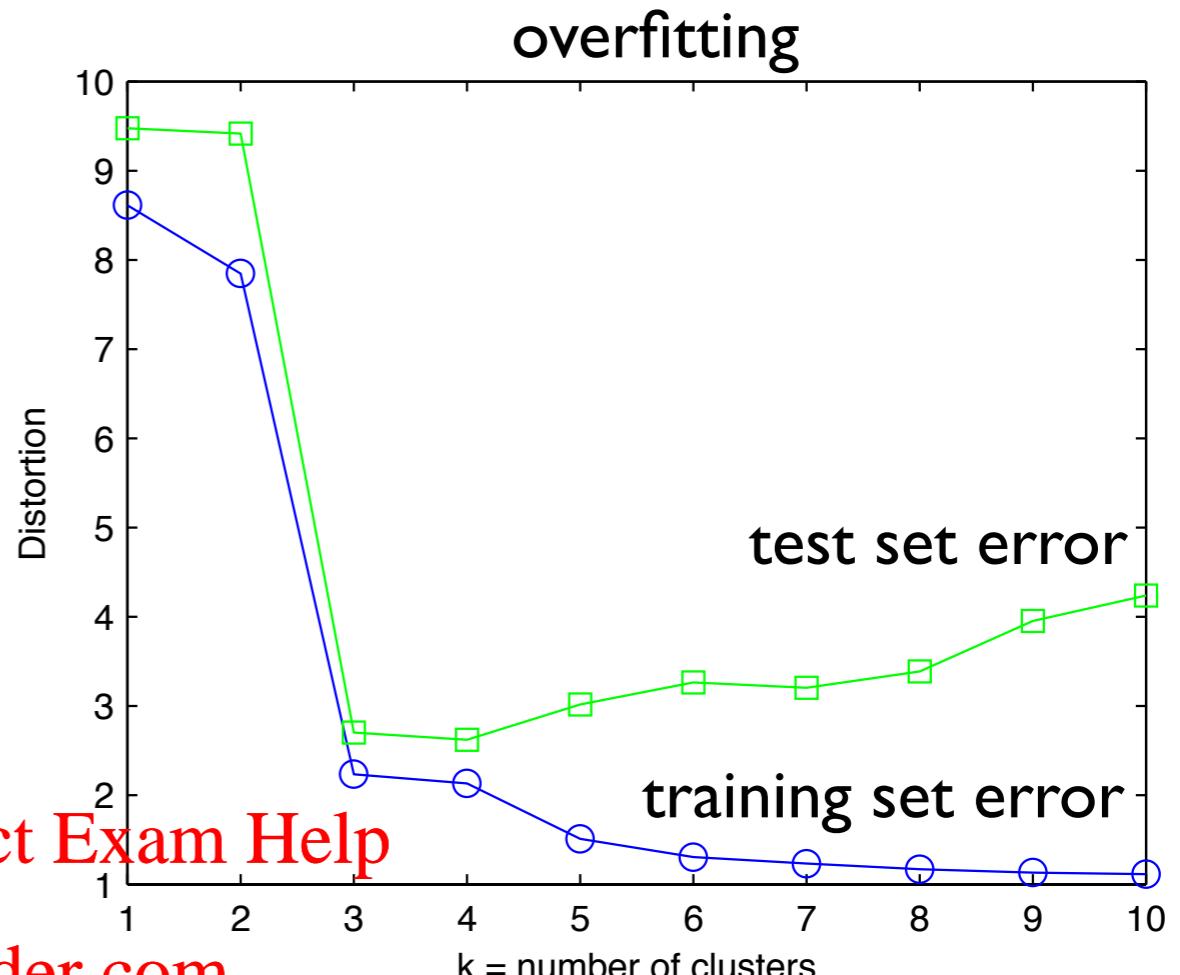
- Increasing k, will always decrease our distortion. This will **overfit** the data.
 - How can we avoid this?
 - Or how do we choose the best k?
- One way: **cross validation**
- Use our distortion metric:

$$D = \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^K r_{nk} \| \mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k \|^2$$

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- Then just measure the distortion on a *test data set*, and stop when we reach a minimum.



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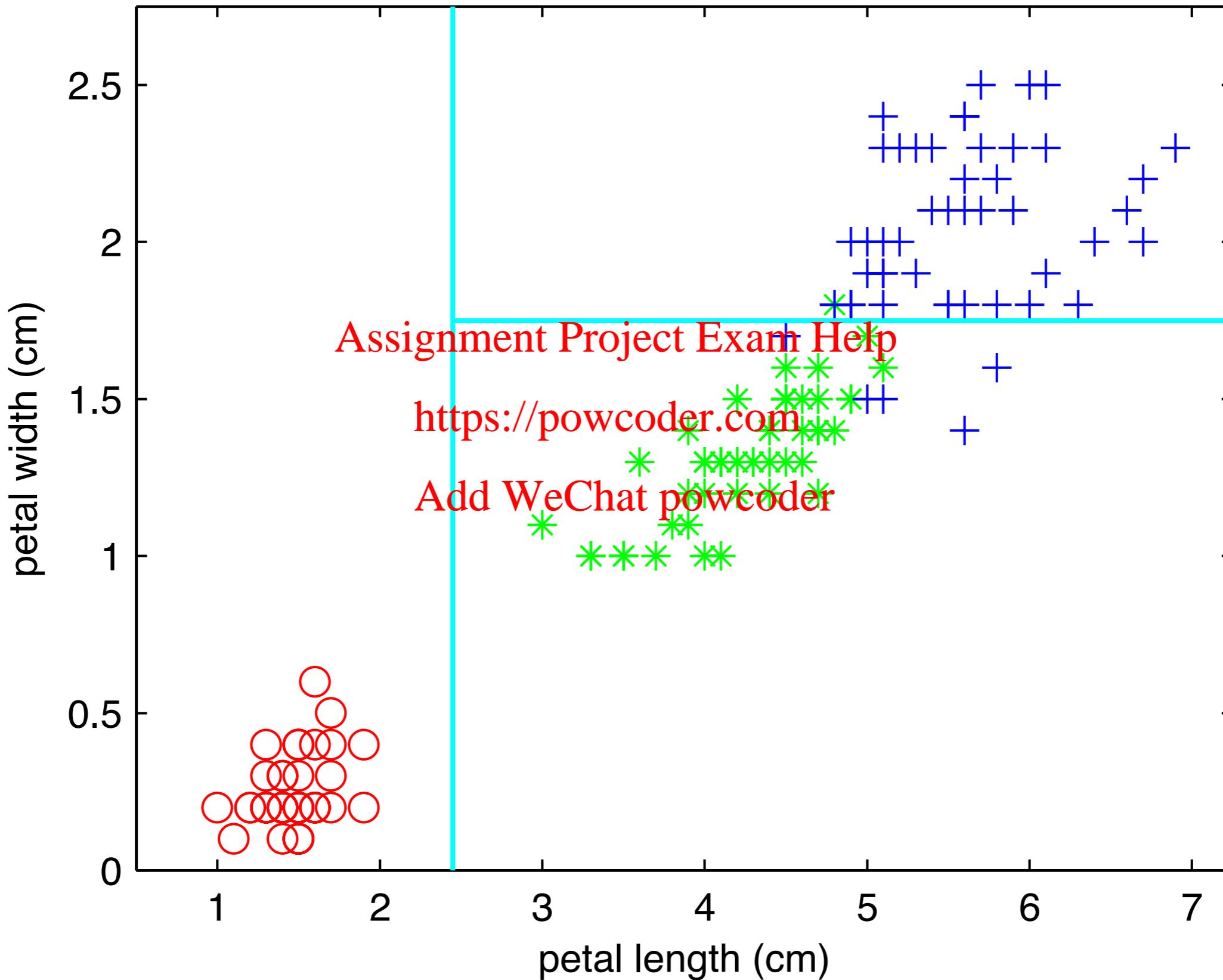
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Neural Networks

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The Iris dataset with decision tree boundaries



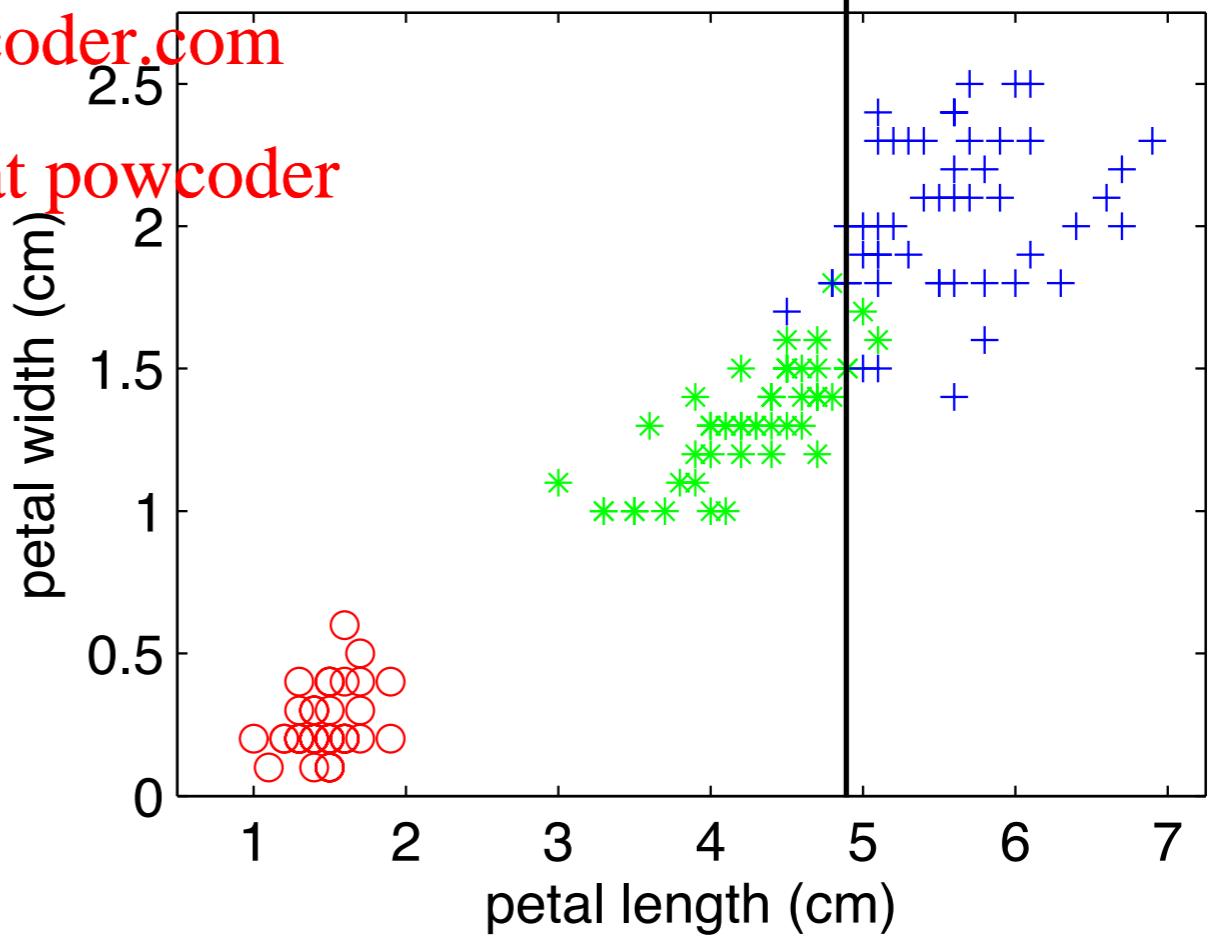
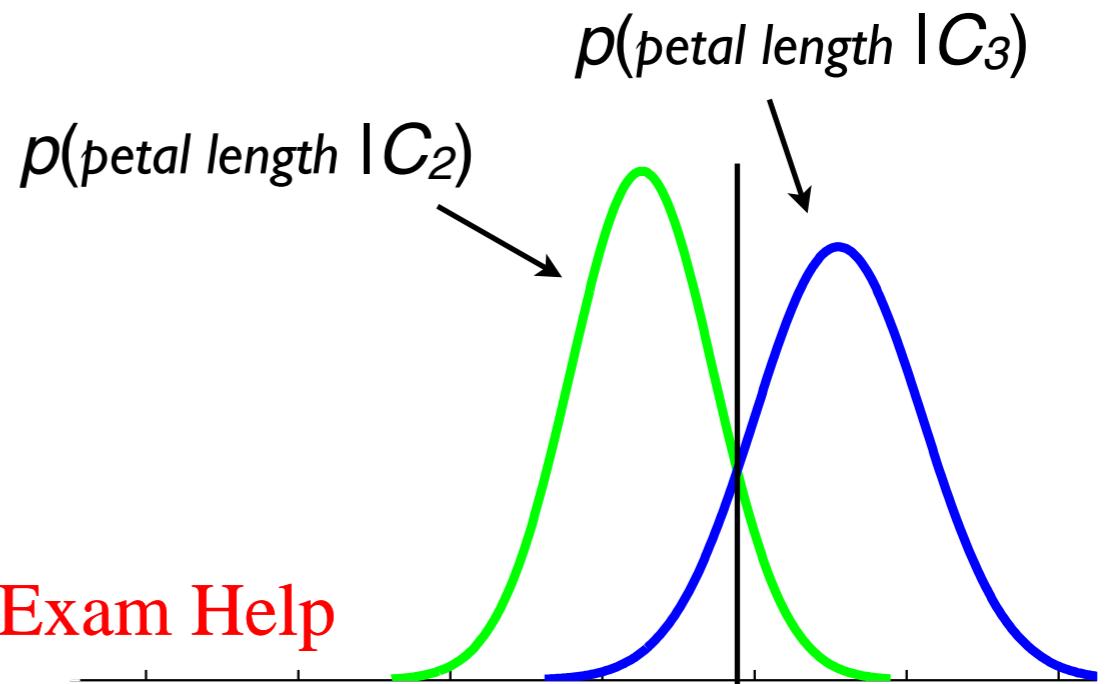
The optimal decision boundary for C_2 vs C_3

Is this really optimal?
Could we do better?

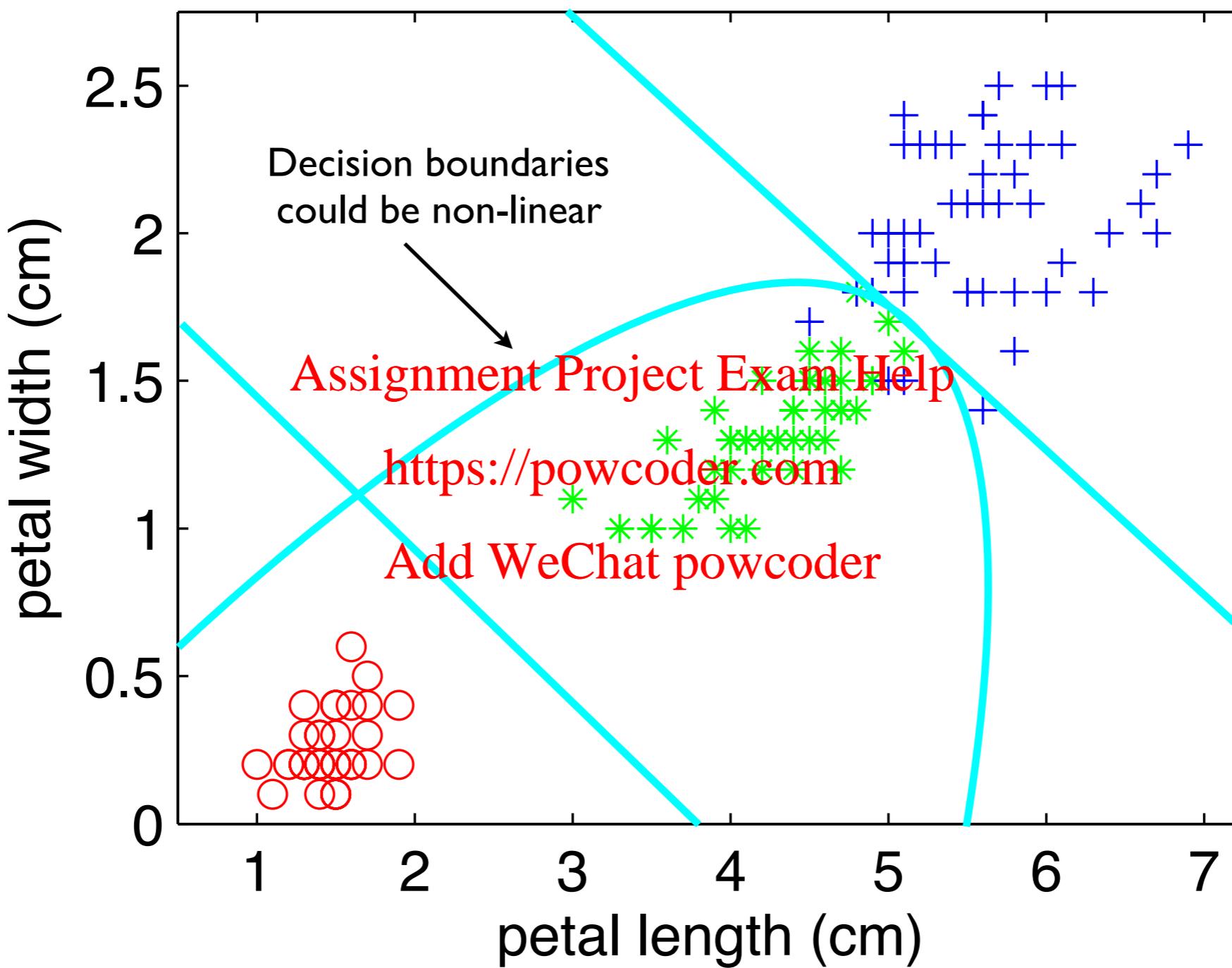
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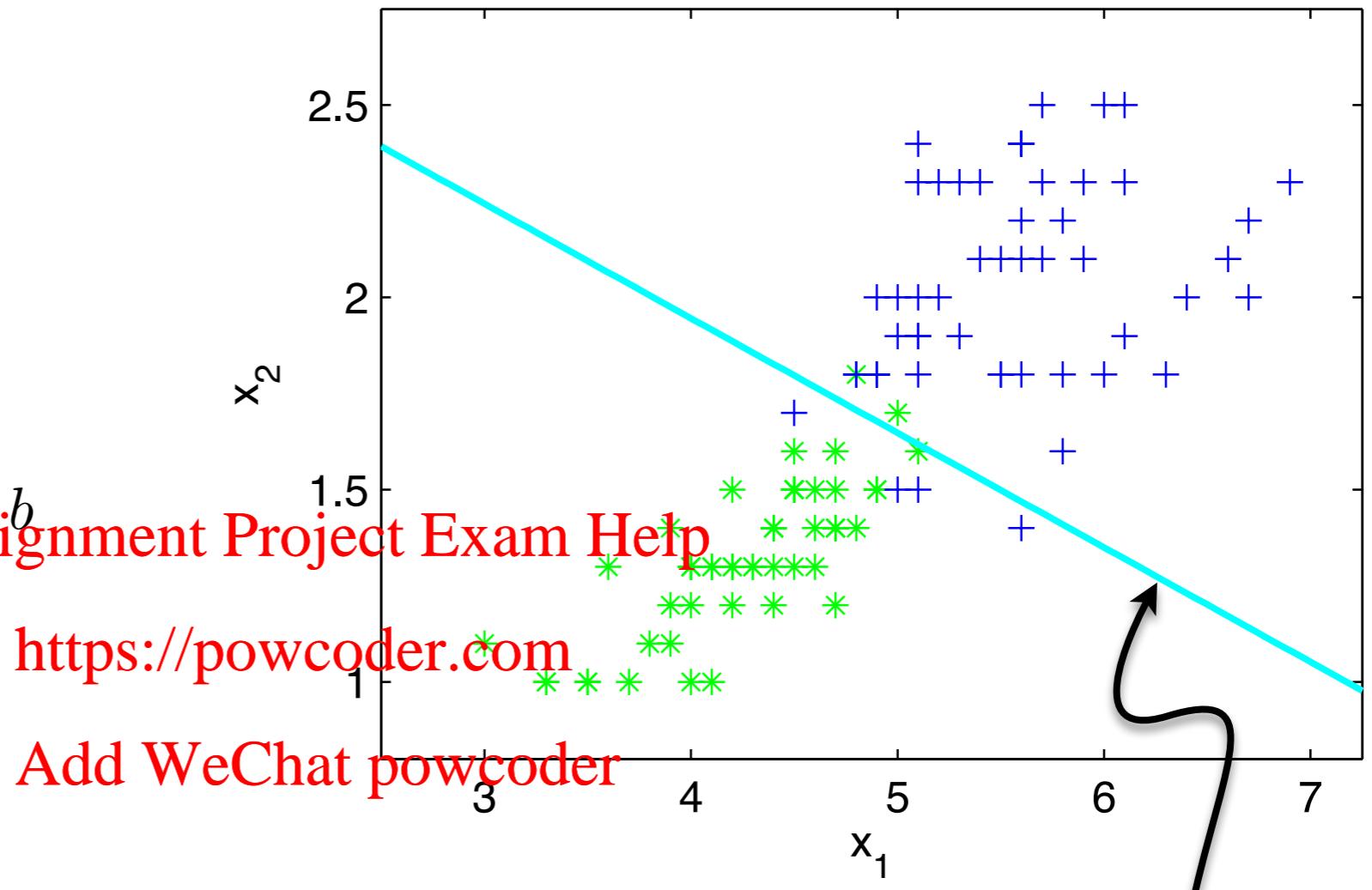
Arbitrary decision boundaries would be more powerful



Defining a decision boundary

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{x} + b \\&= m_1 x_1 + m_2 x_2 + b \\&= \sum_i m_i x_i + b\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{x} \in \begin{cases} \text{class 1} & \text{if } y \geq 0, \\ \text{class 2} & \text{if } y < 0. \end{cases}$$



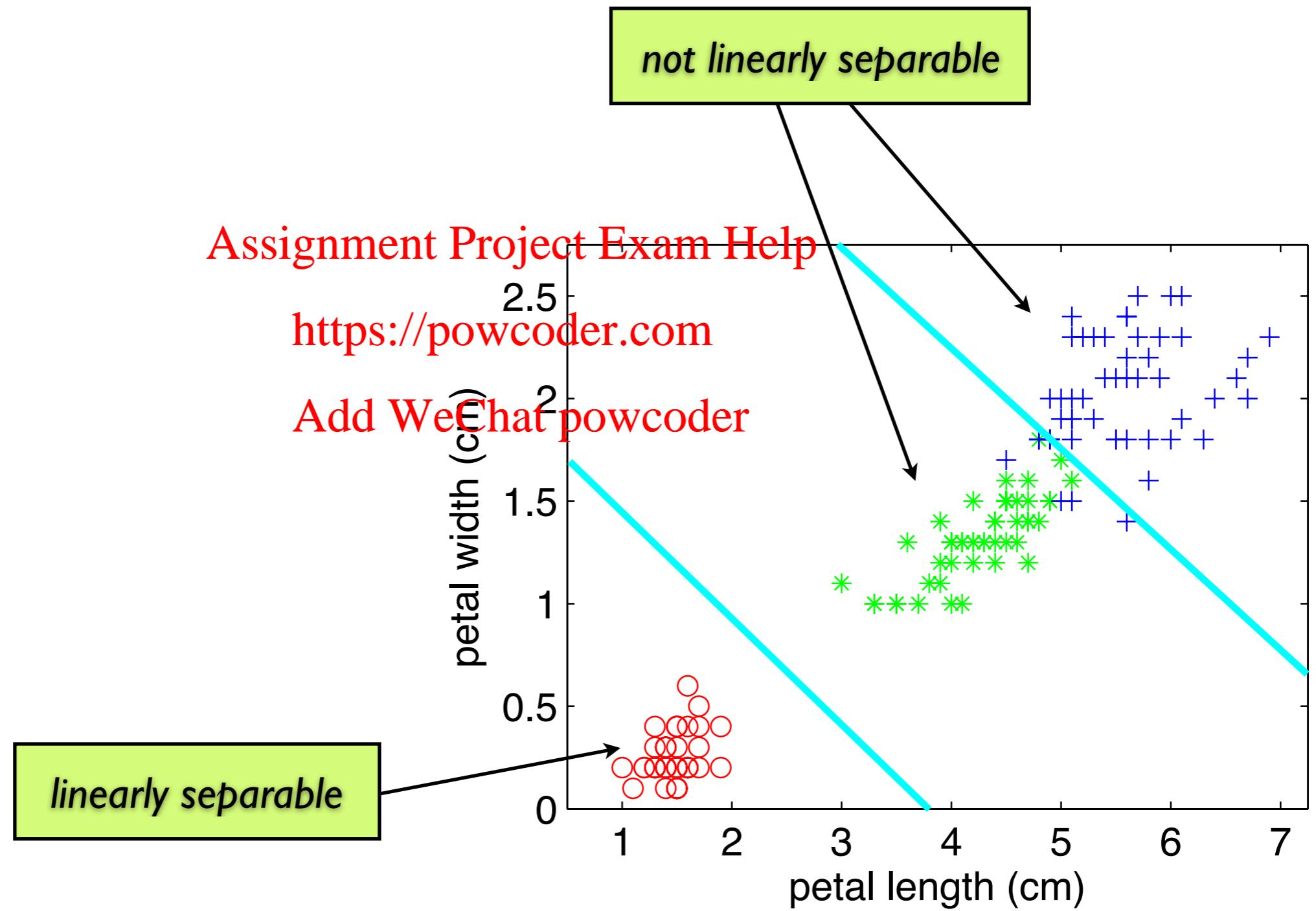
The decision boundary:
 $y = \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{x} + b = 0$

Or in terms of scalars:

$$m_1 x_1 + m_2 x_2 = -b$$

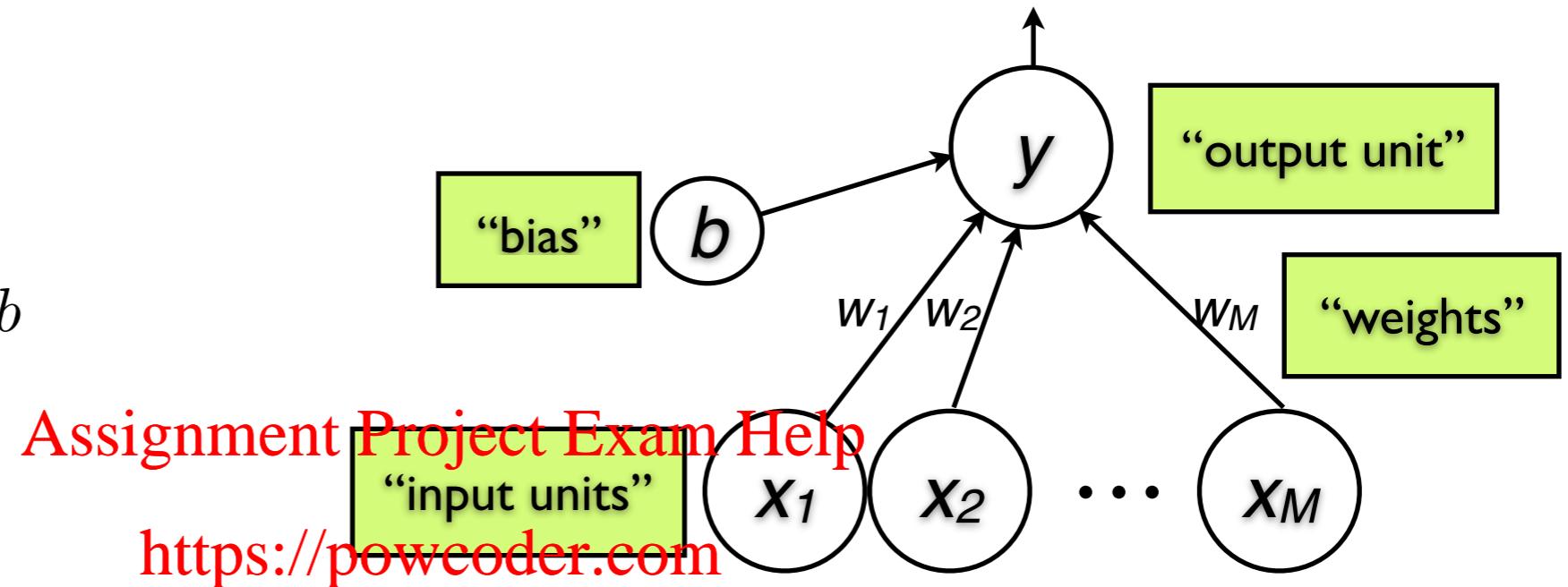
$$\Rightarrow x_2 = -\frac{m_1 x_1 + b}{m_2}$$

Linear separability



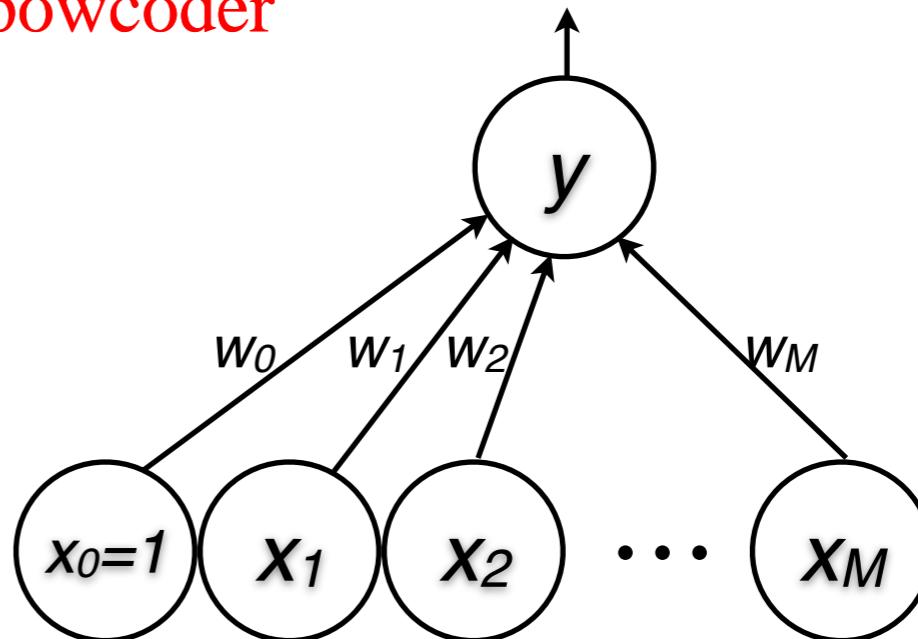
Diagramming the classifier as a “neural” network

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b \\&= \sum_{i=1}^M w_i x_i + b\end{aligned}$$



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$$y = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=0}^M w_i x_i$$



Determining, ie learning, the optimal linear discriminant

- First we must define an *objective function*, ie the goal of learning
- Simple idea: adjust weights so that output $y(\mathbf{x}_n)$ matches class c_n
- *Objective*: minimize sum-squared error over all patterns \mathbf{x}_n :

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - c_n)^2$$

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- Note the notation \mathbf{x}_n defines a pattern vector:

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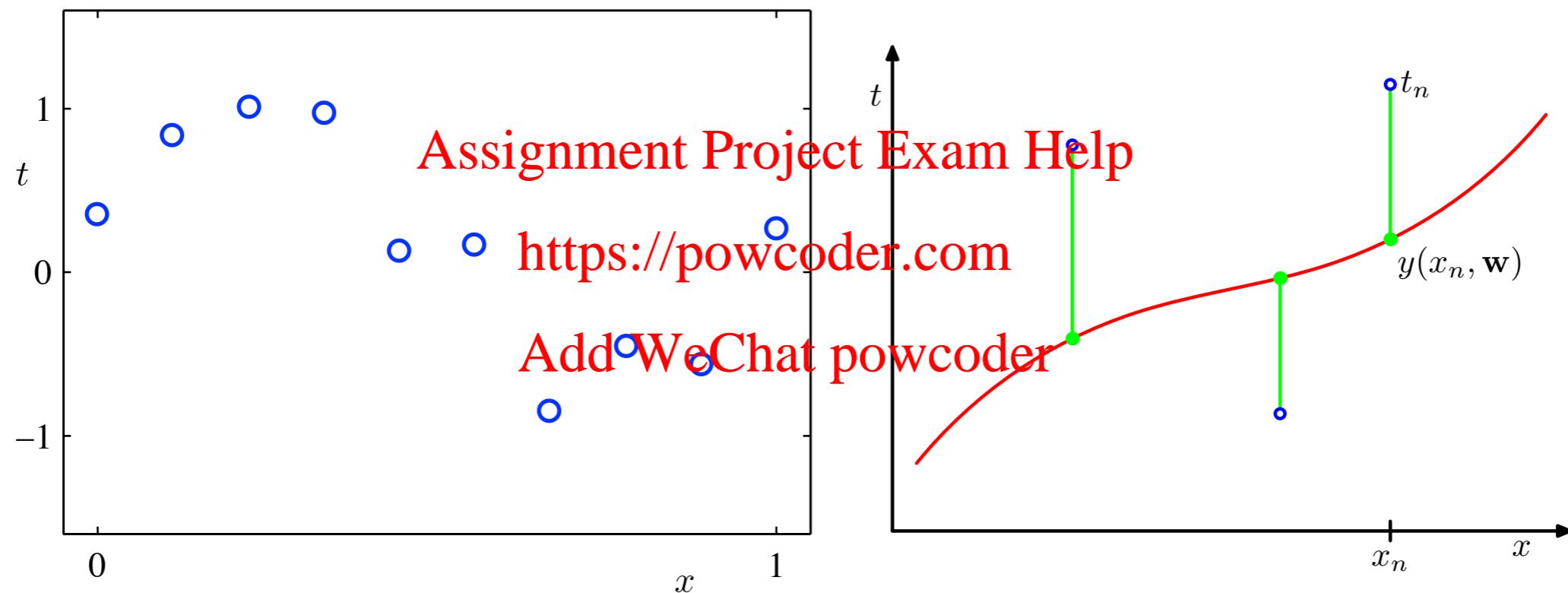
$$\mathbf{x}_n = \{x_1, \dots, x_M\}_n$$

- We can define the desired class as:

$$c_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \mathbf{x}_n \in \text{class 1} \\ 1 & \mathbf{x}_n \in \text{class 2} \end{cases}$$

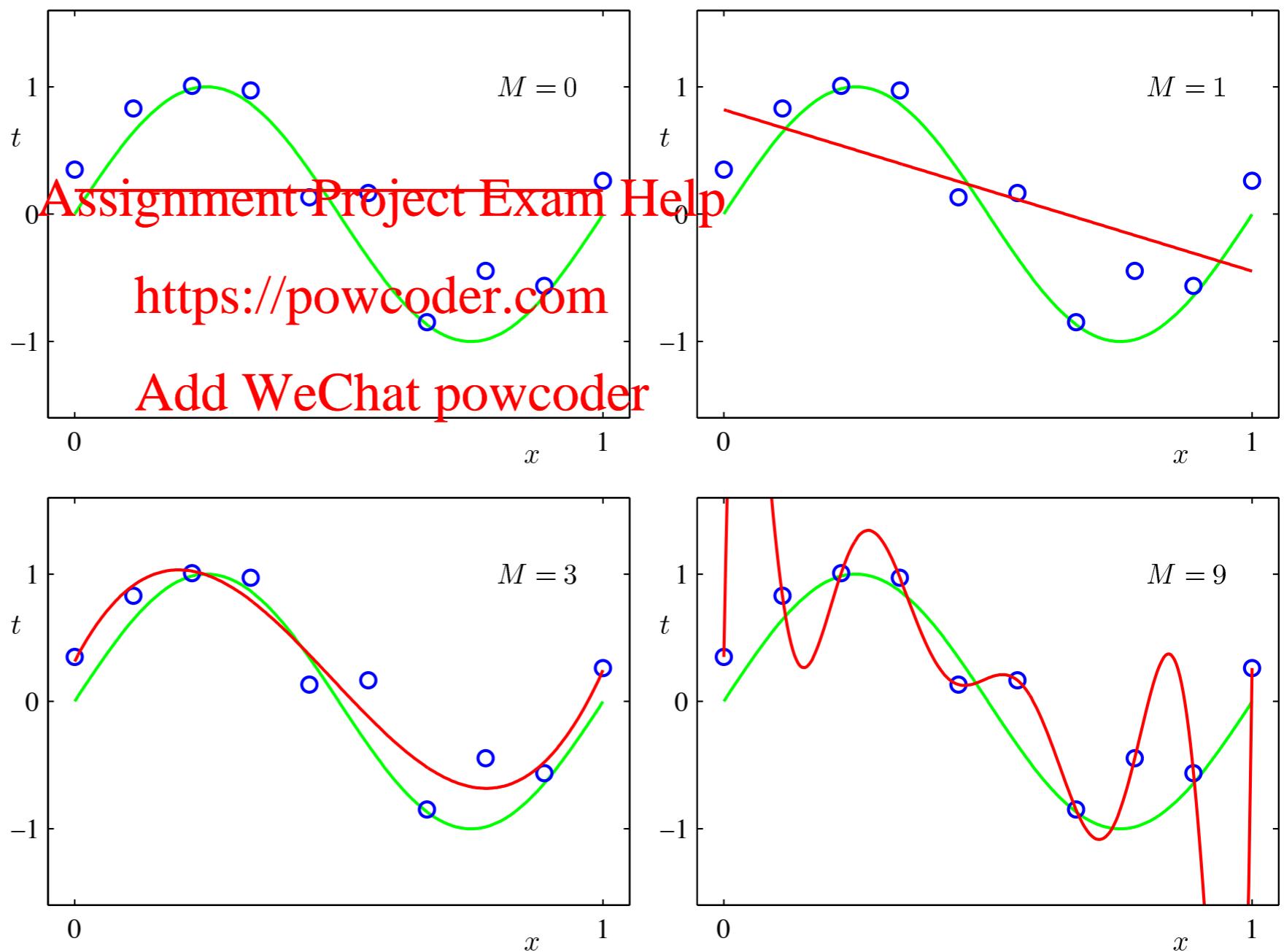
We've seen this before: curve fitting

$$t = \sin(2\pi x) + \text{noise}$$



Neural networks compared to polynomial curve fitting

$$y(x, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + w_1x + w_2x^2 + \cdots + w_Mx^M = \sum_{j=0}^M w_j x^j$$
$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N [y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n]^2$$



example from Bishop (2006), *Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning*

General form of a linear network

- A linear neural network is simply a linear transformation of the input.

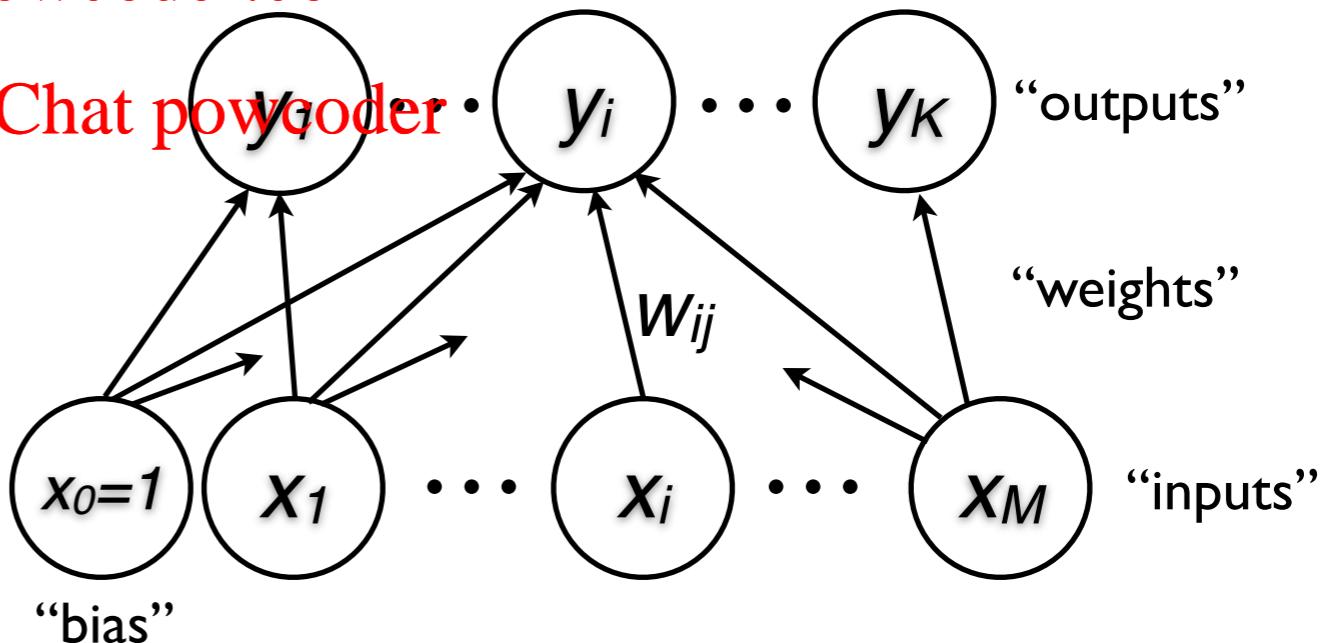
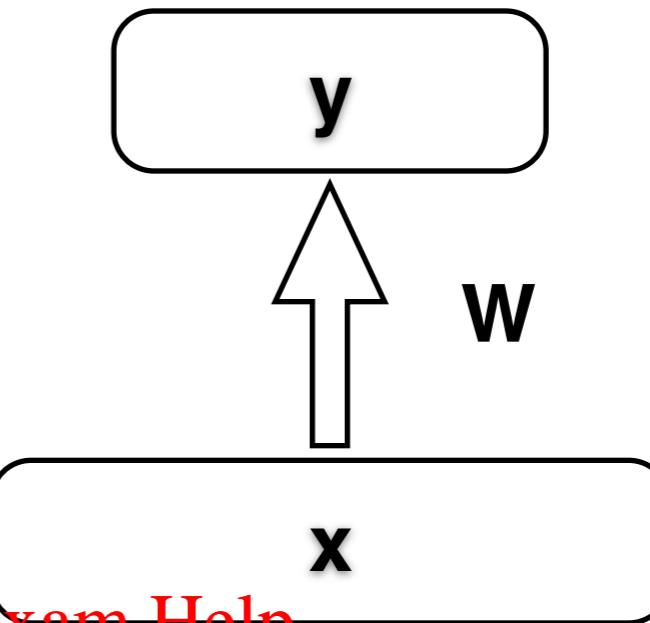
$$y_j = \sum_{i=0}^M w_{i,j} x_i$$

- Or, in matrix-vector form: [Assignment Project Exam Help](#)

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}$$

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- Multiple outputs corresponds to *multivariate regression*



Training the network: Optimization by gradient descent

- We can adjust the weights incrementally to minimize the objective function.
- This is called *gradient descent*
- Or *gradient ascent* if we're maximizing.
- The gradient descent rule for weight w_i is:

$$w_i^{t+1} = w_i^t - \epsilon \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i}$$

- Or in vector form:

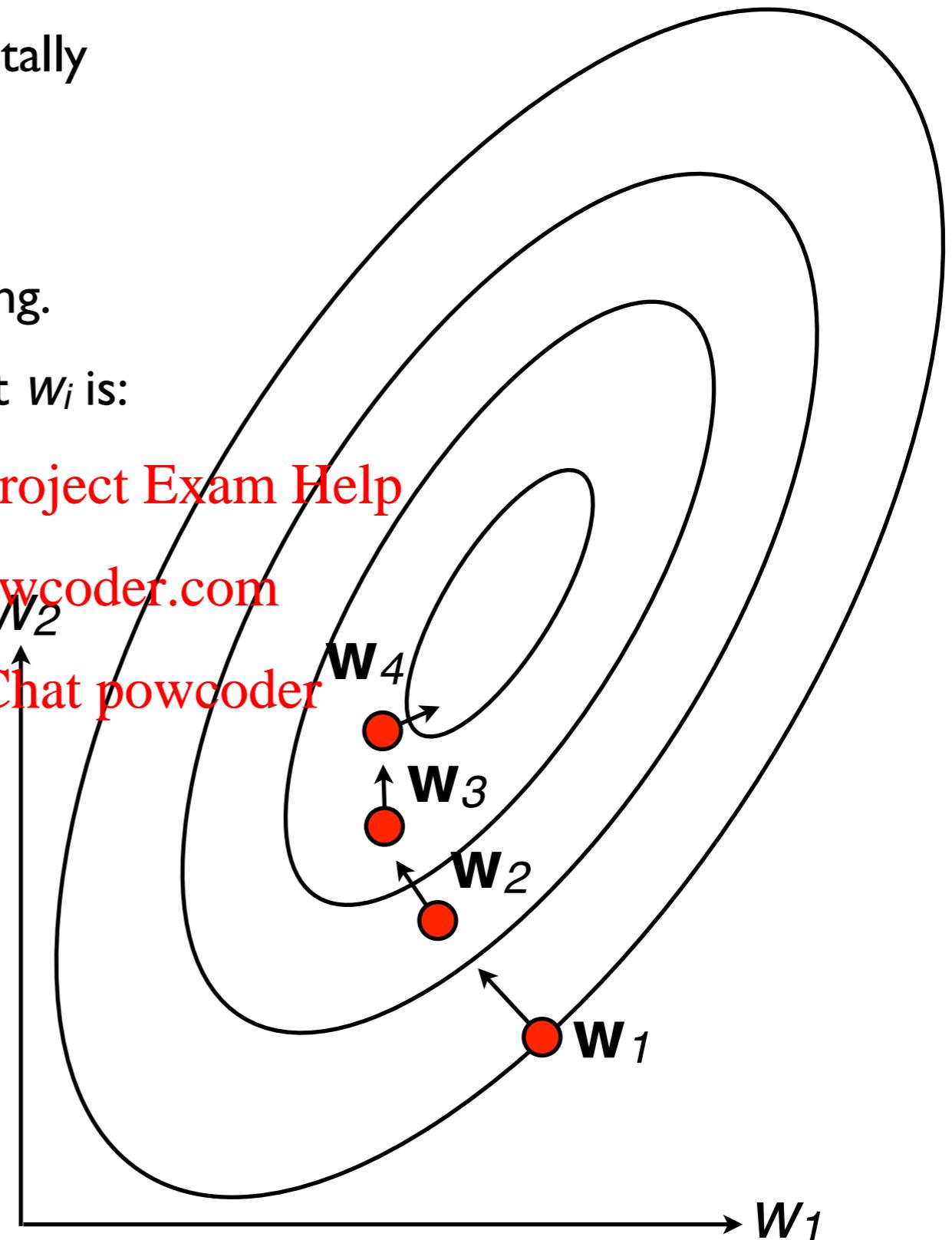
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- For *gradient ascent*, the *sign* of the gradient step changes.

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Computing the gradient

- Idea: minimize error by gradient descent
- Take the derivative of the objective function wrt the weights:

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - c_n)^2 \\ \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} &= \frac{2}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (w_0 x_{0,n} + \dots + w_i x_{i,n} + \dots + w_M x_{M,n} - c_n) x_{i,n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - c_n) x_{i,n} \end{aligned}$$

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- And in vector form:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\mathbf{w}} = \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n - c_n) \mathbf{x}_n$$

Simulation: learning the decision boundary

- Each iteration updates the gradient:

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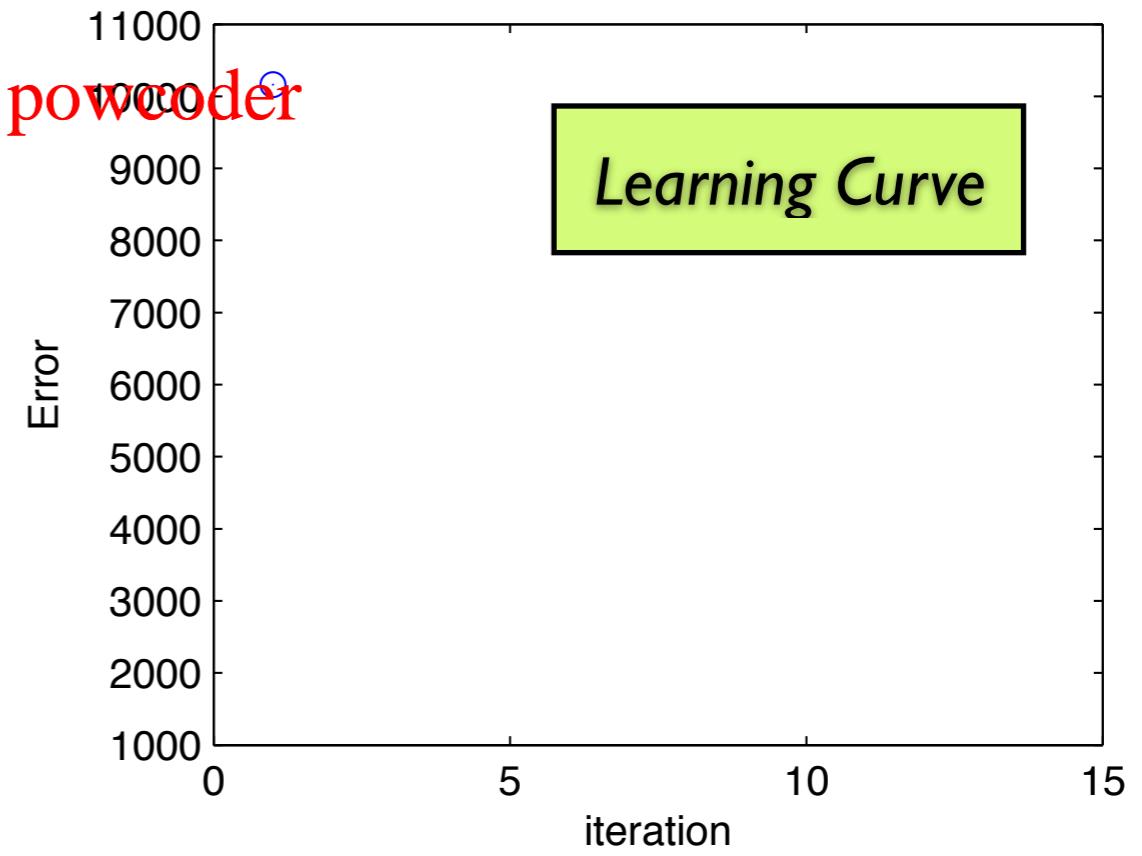
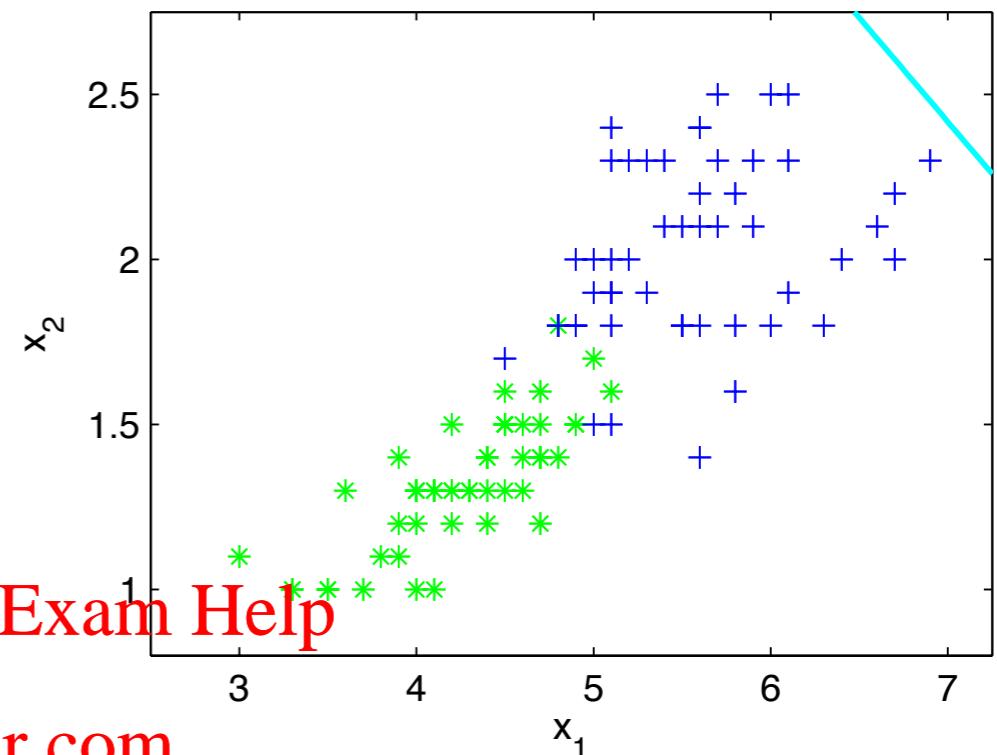
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- Epsilon is a small value: <https://powcoder.com>

$$\epsilon = 0.1/N$$

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- Epsilon too large:
 - learning diverges
- Epsilon too small:
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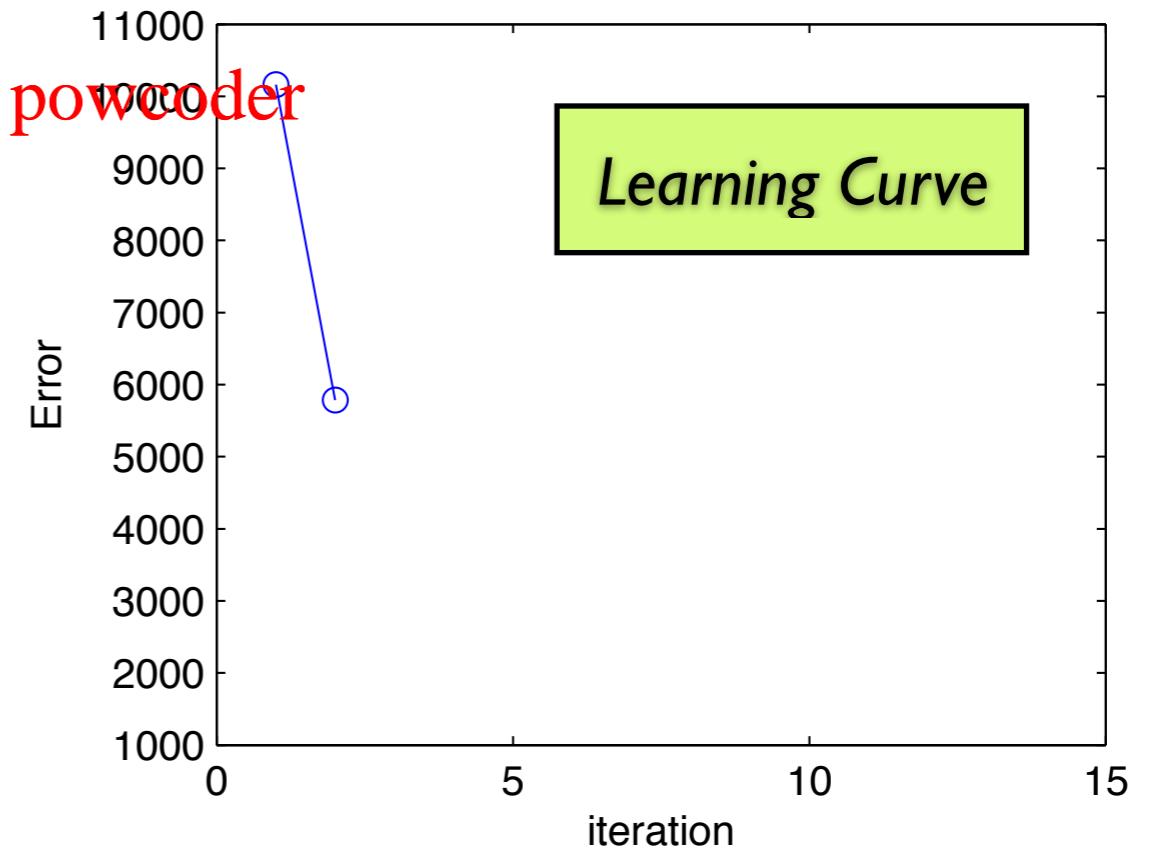
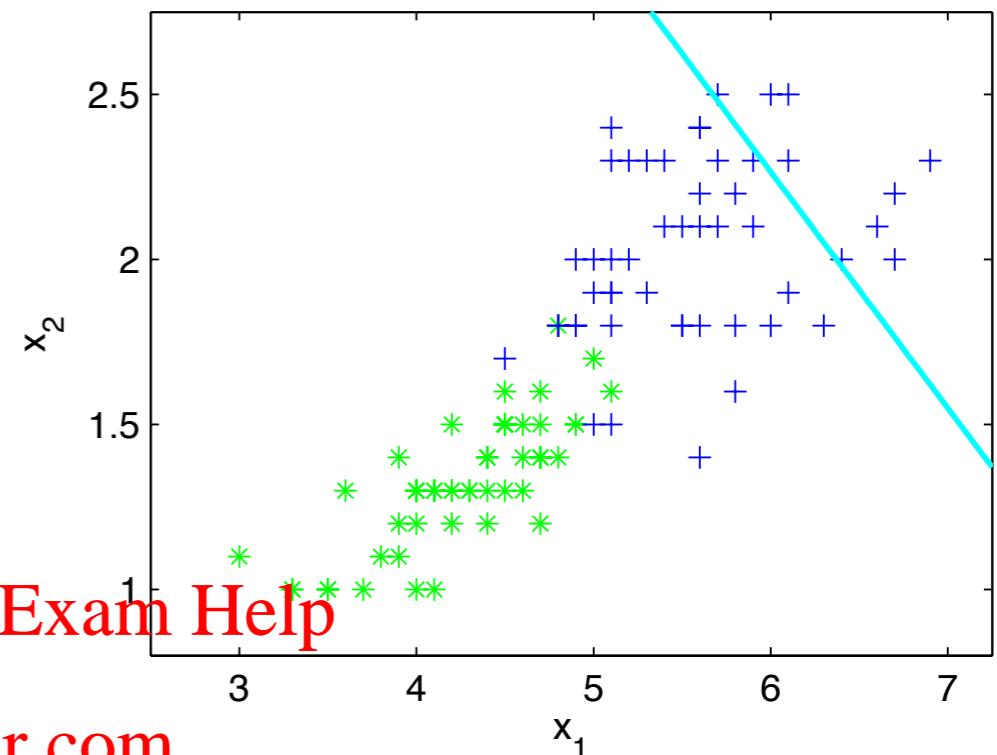
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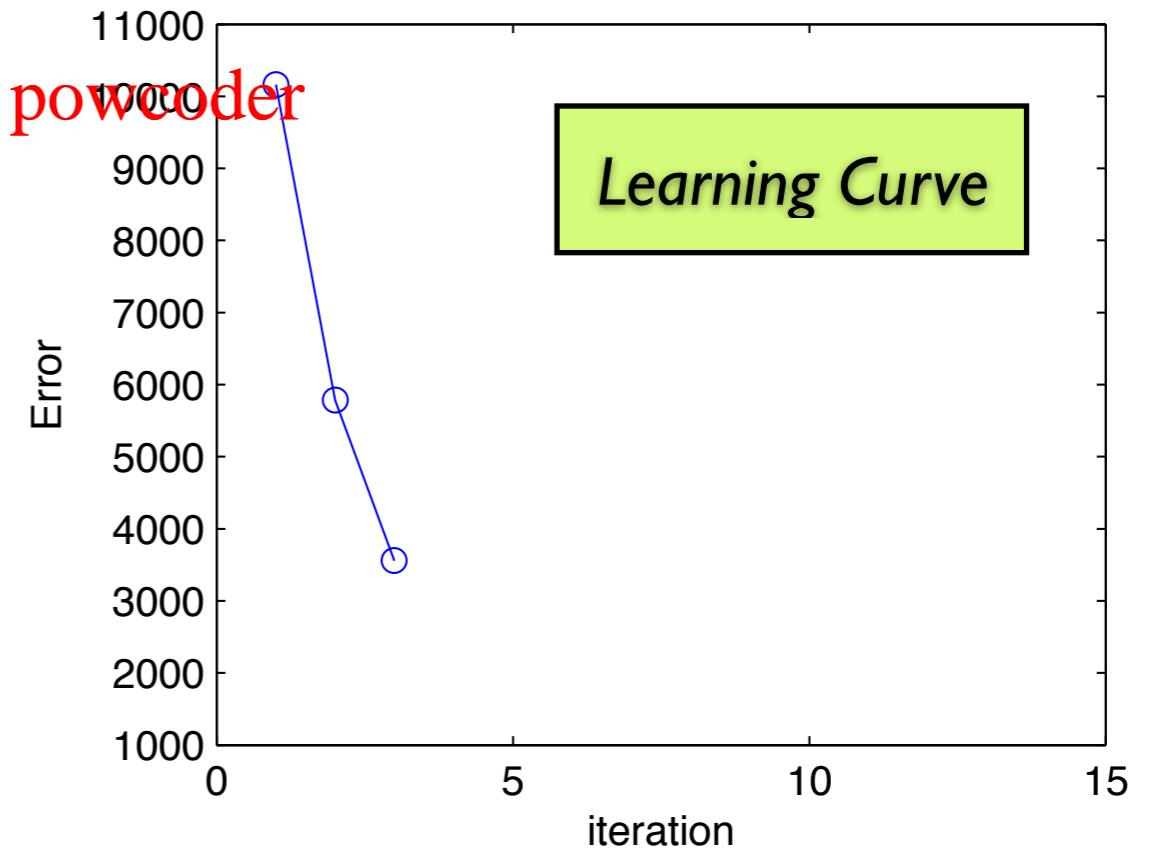
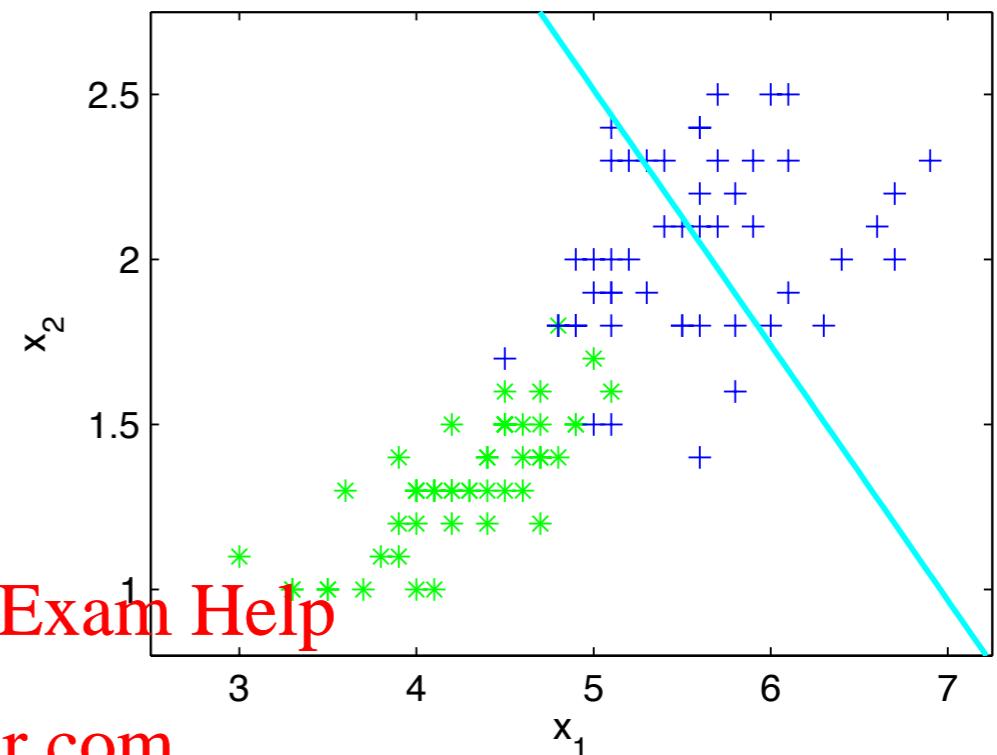
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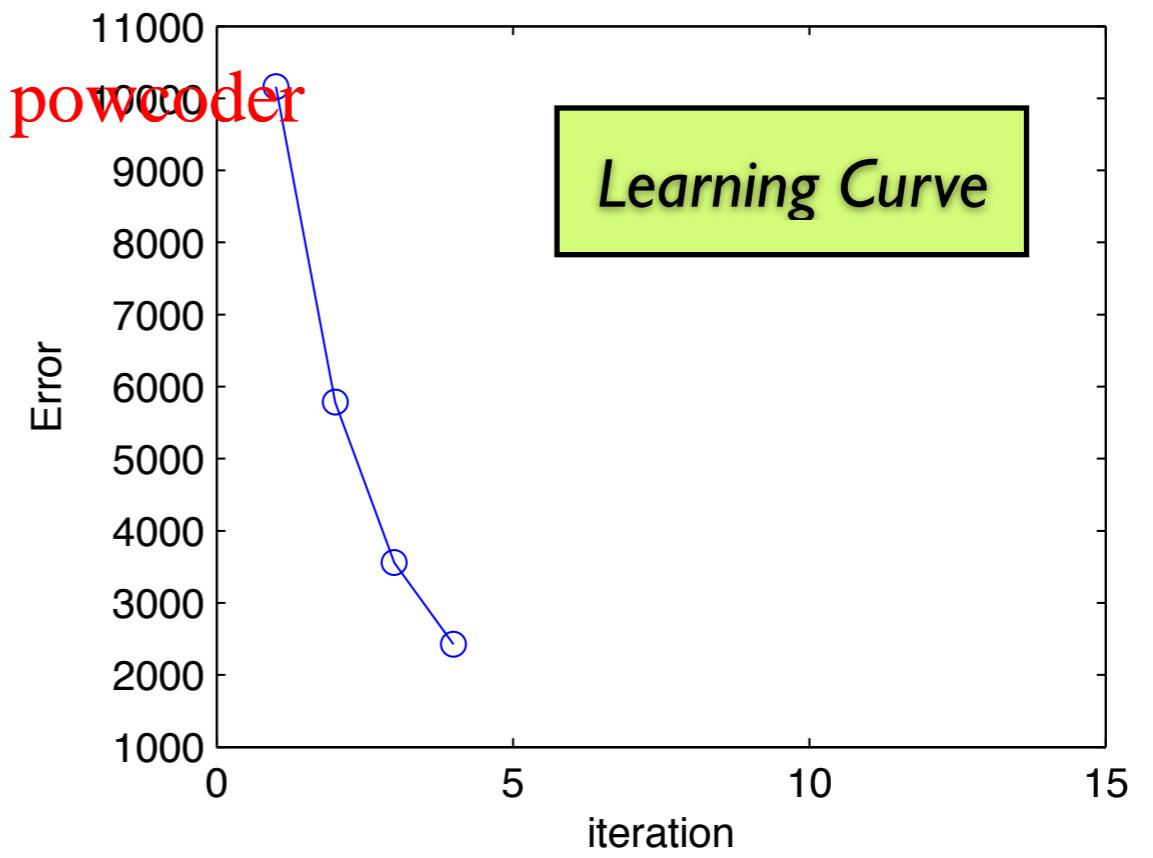
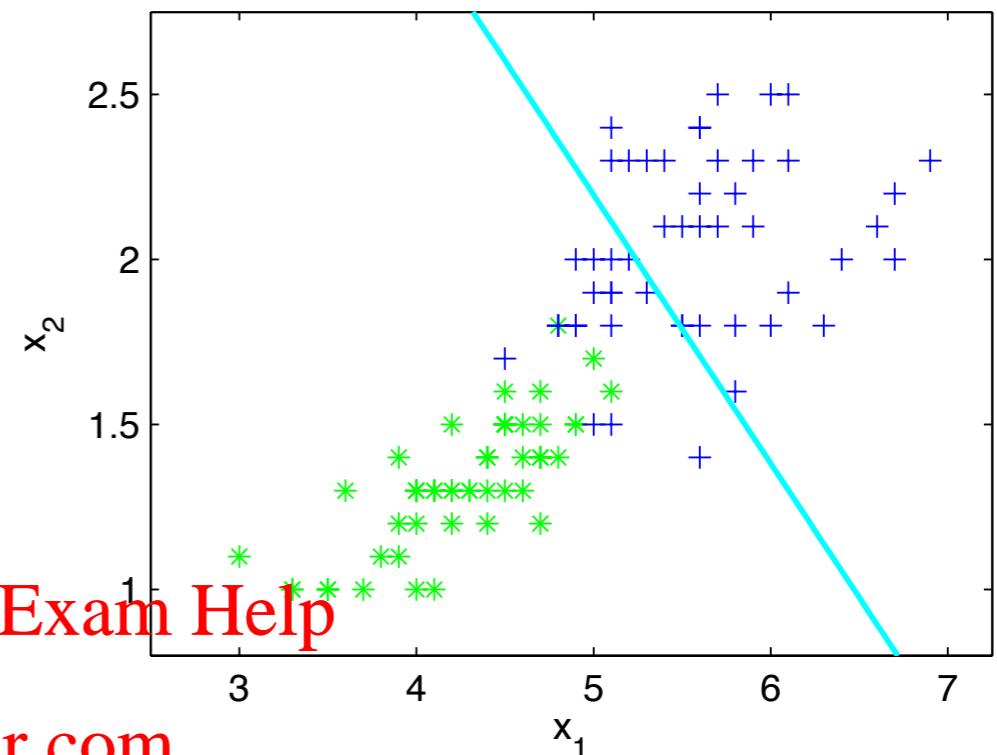
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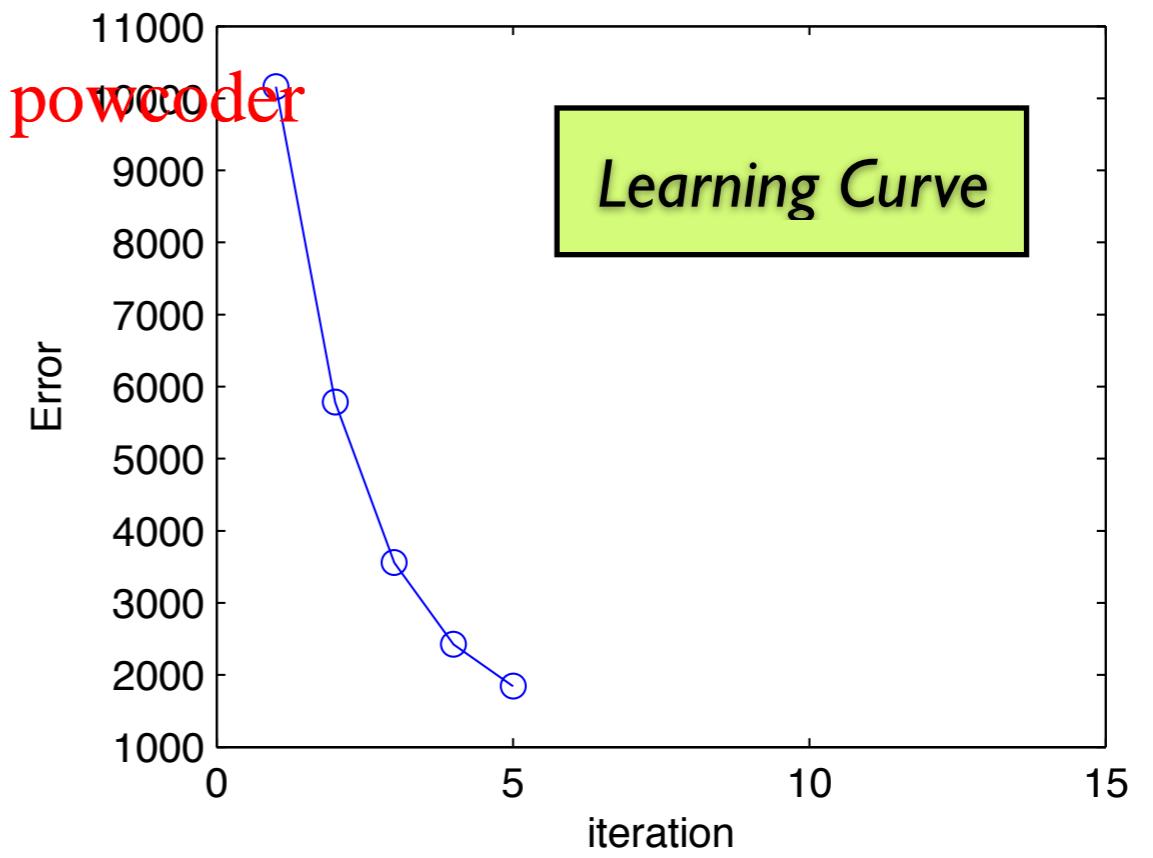
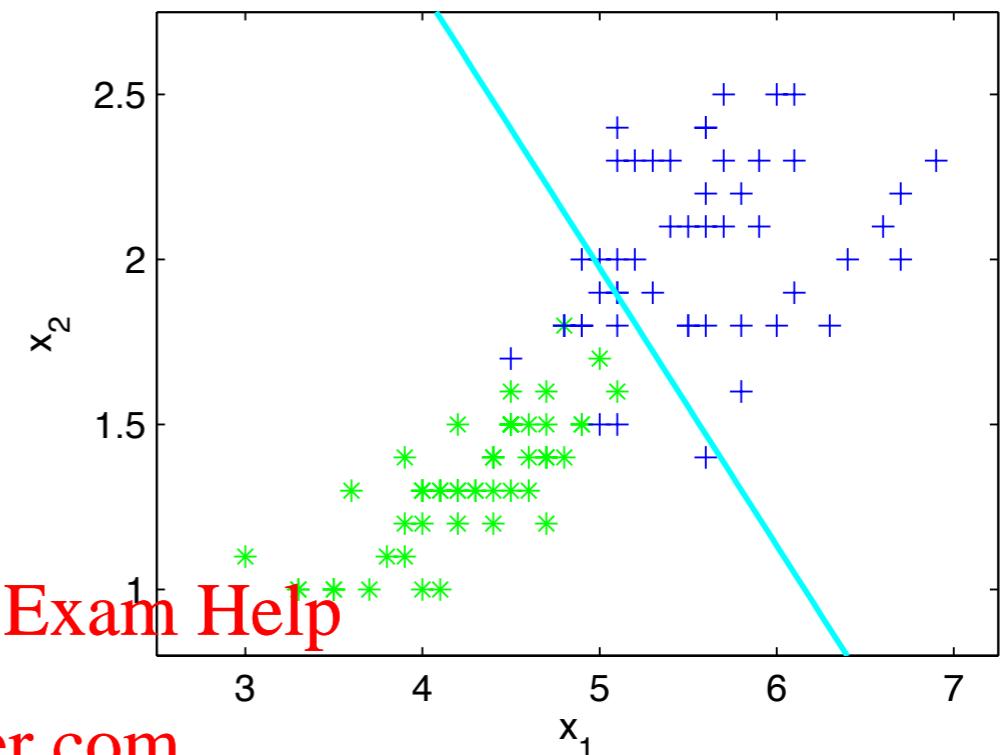
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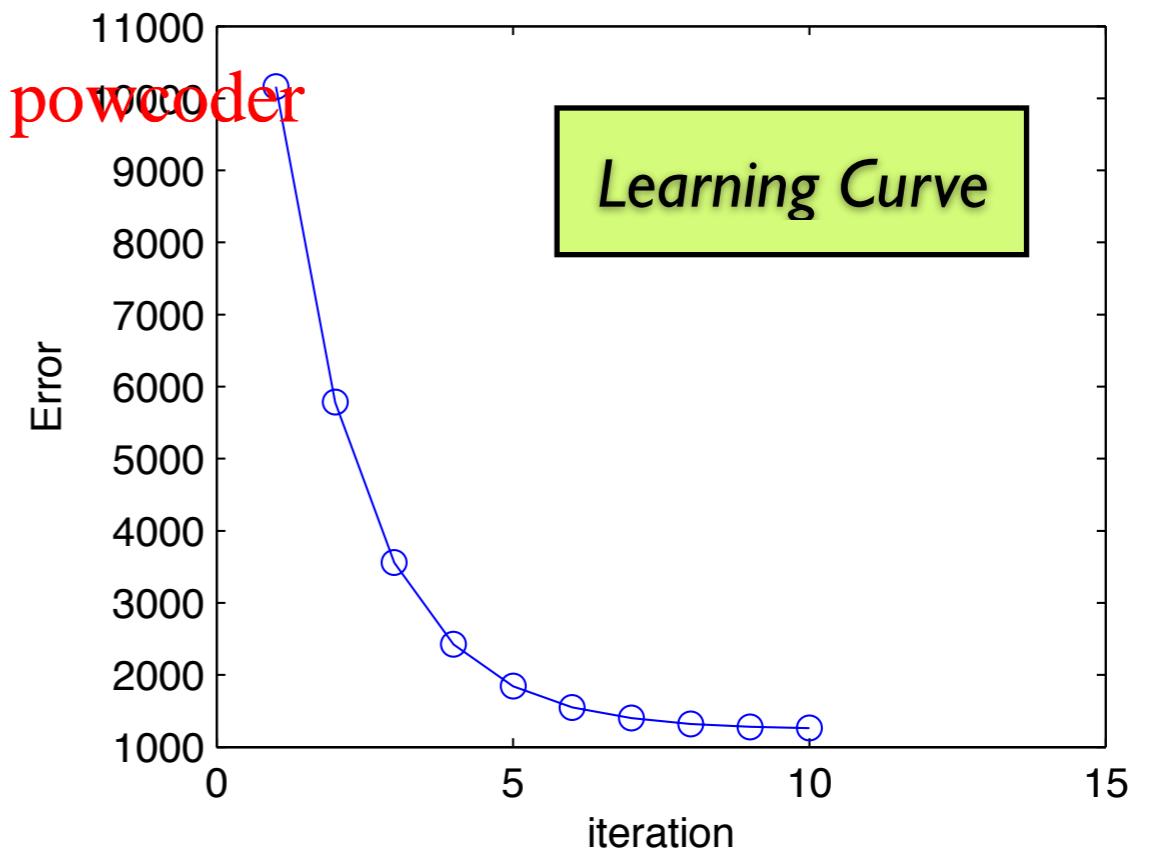
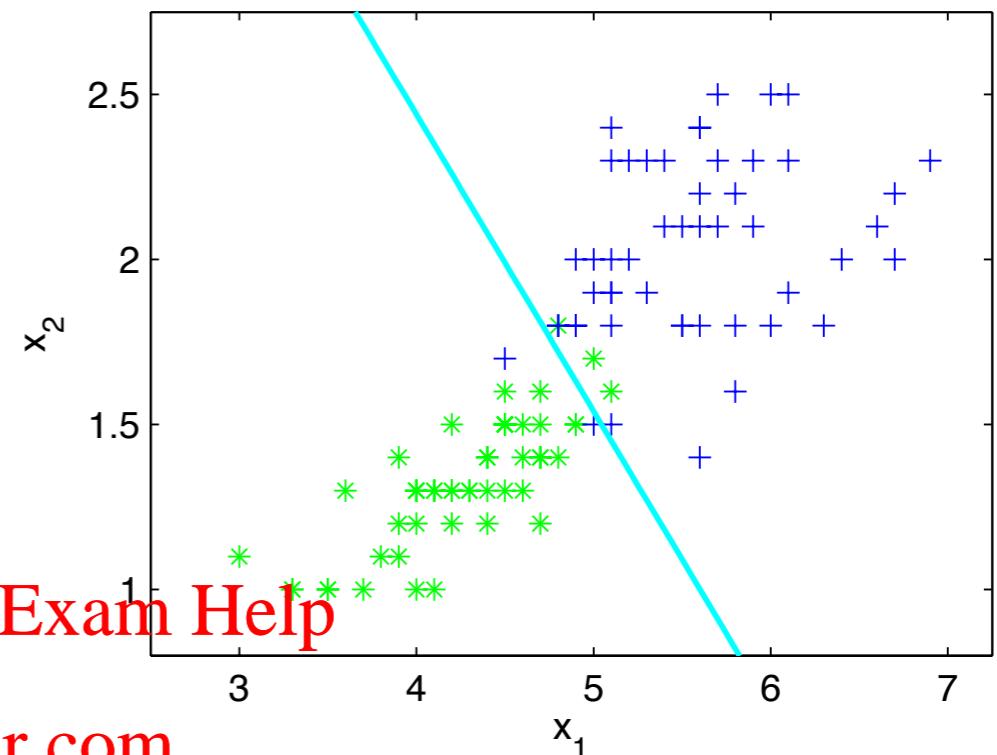
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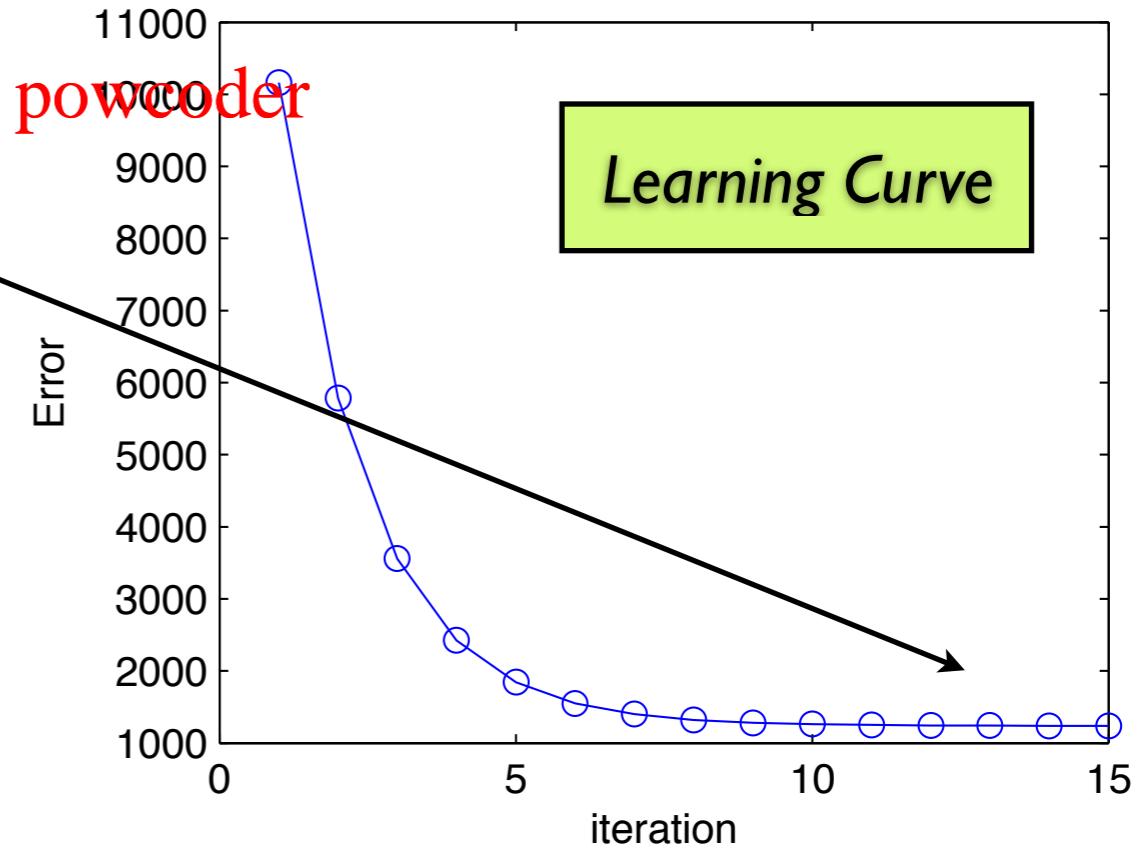
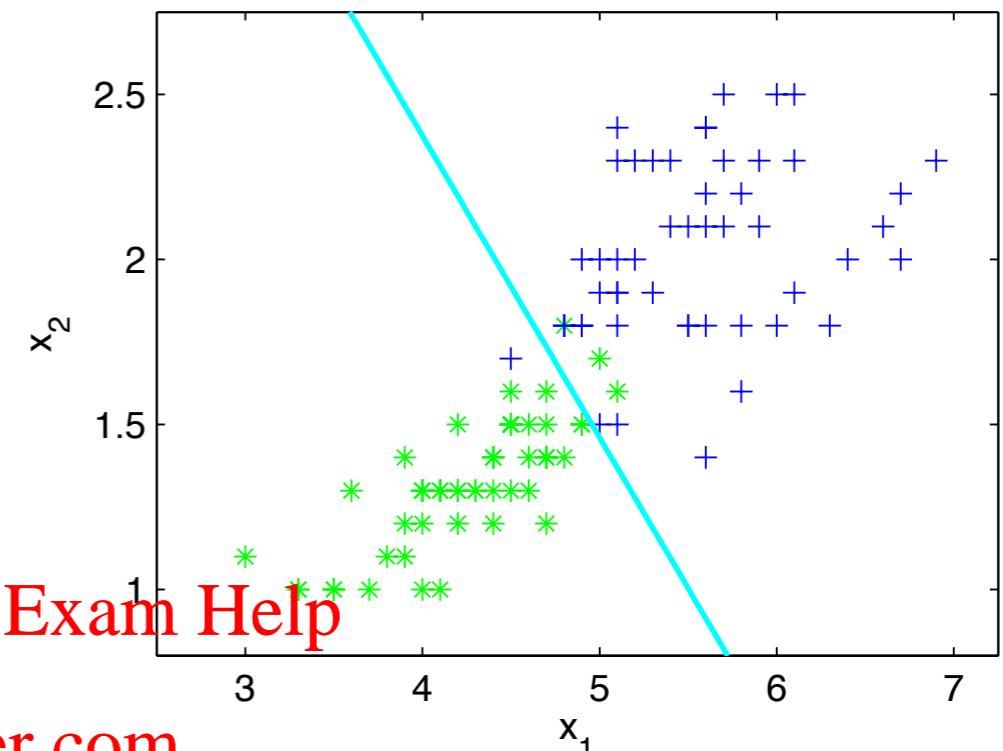
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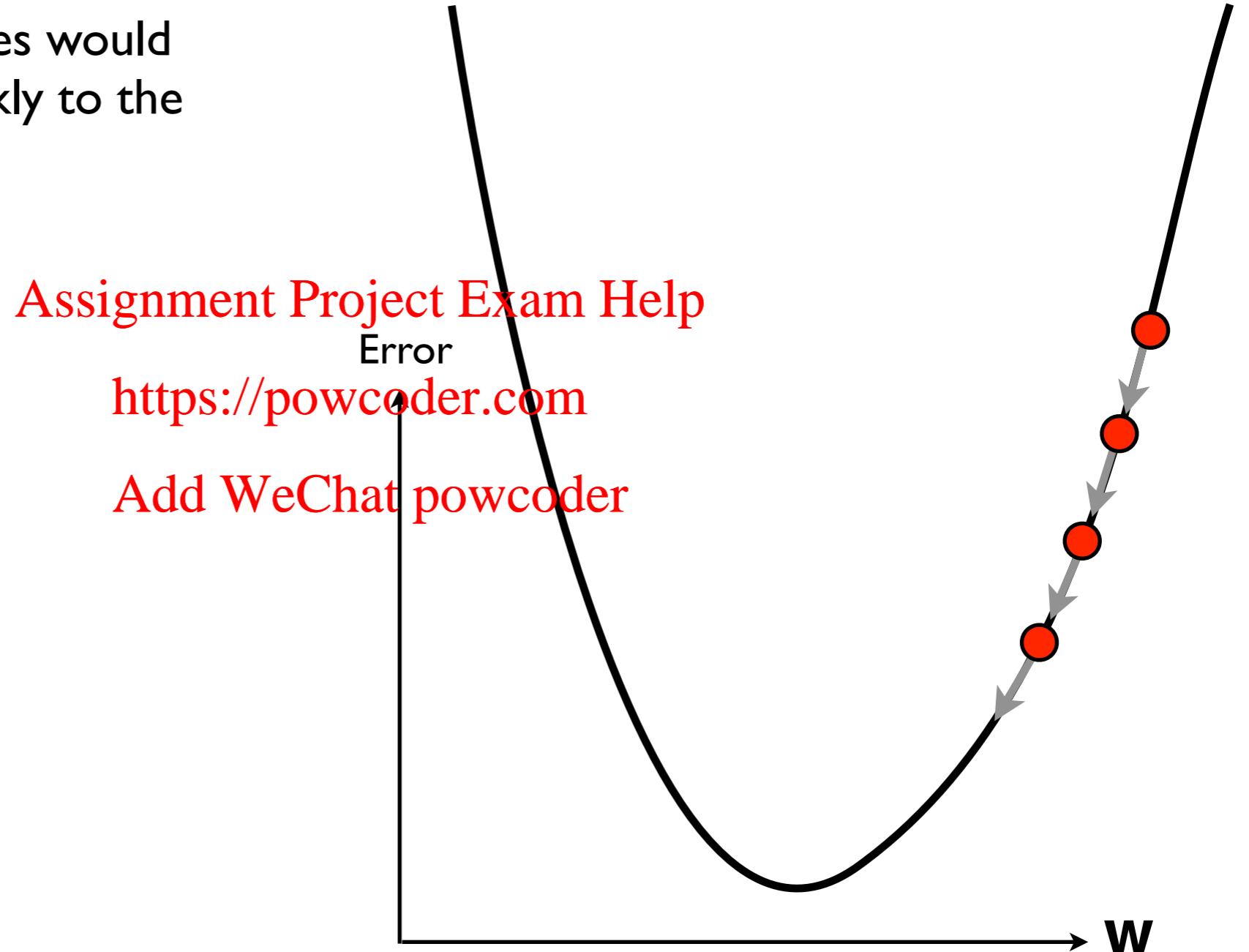
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- Learning converges onto the solution that minimizes the error.
- For linear networks, this is guaranteed to converge to the minimum
- It is also possible to derive a closed-form solution (covered later)



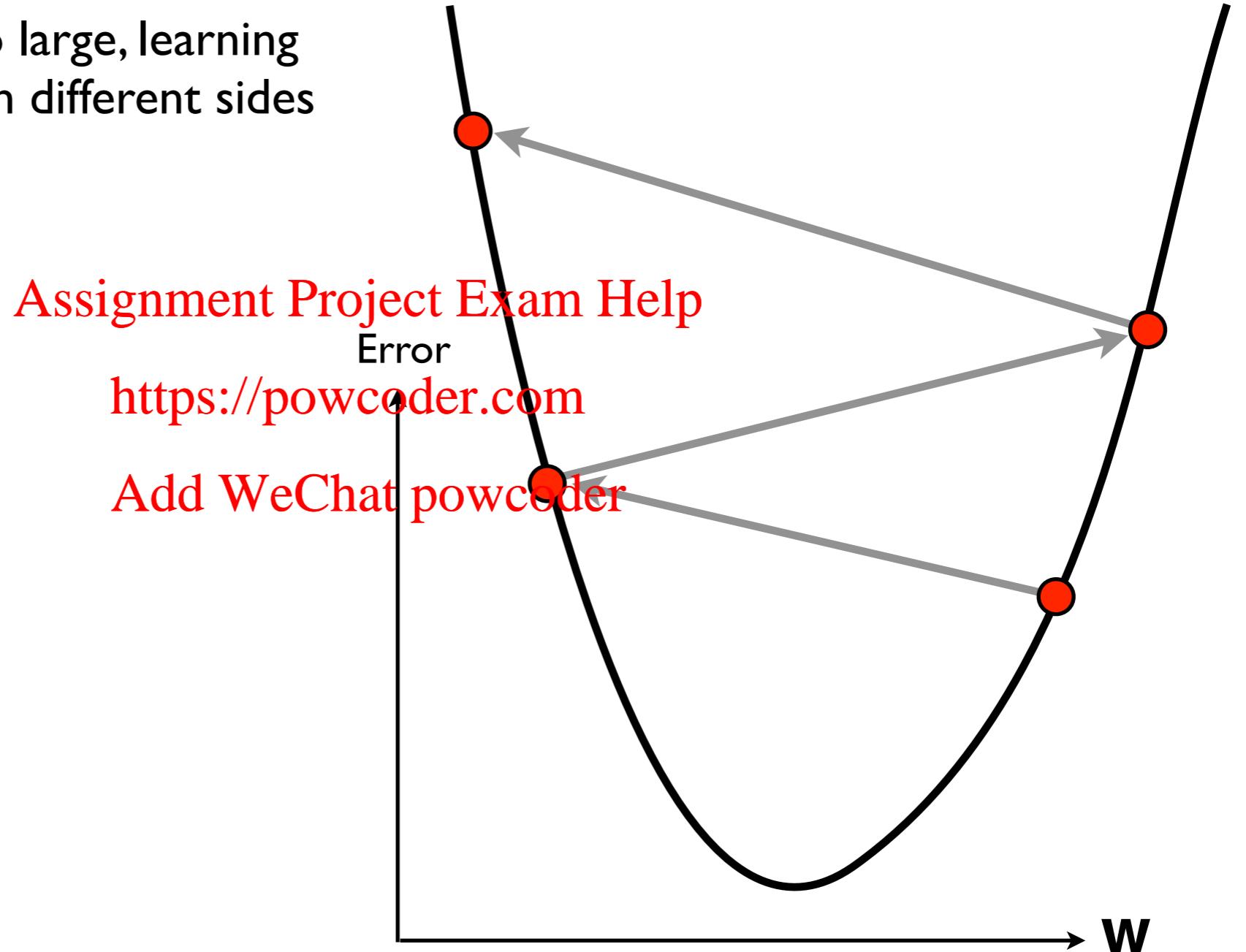
Learning is slow when epsilon is too small

- Here, larger step sizes would converge more quickly to the minimum



Divergence when epsilon is too large

- If the step size is too large, learning can oscillate between different sides of the minimum



Multi-layer networks

- Can we extend our network to multiple layers? We have:

$$y_j = \sum_i w_{i,j} x_i$$

$$z_j = \sum_k v_{j,k} y_j$$

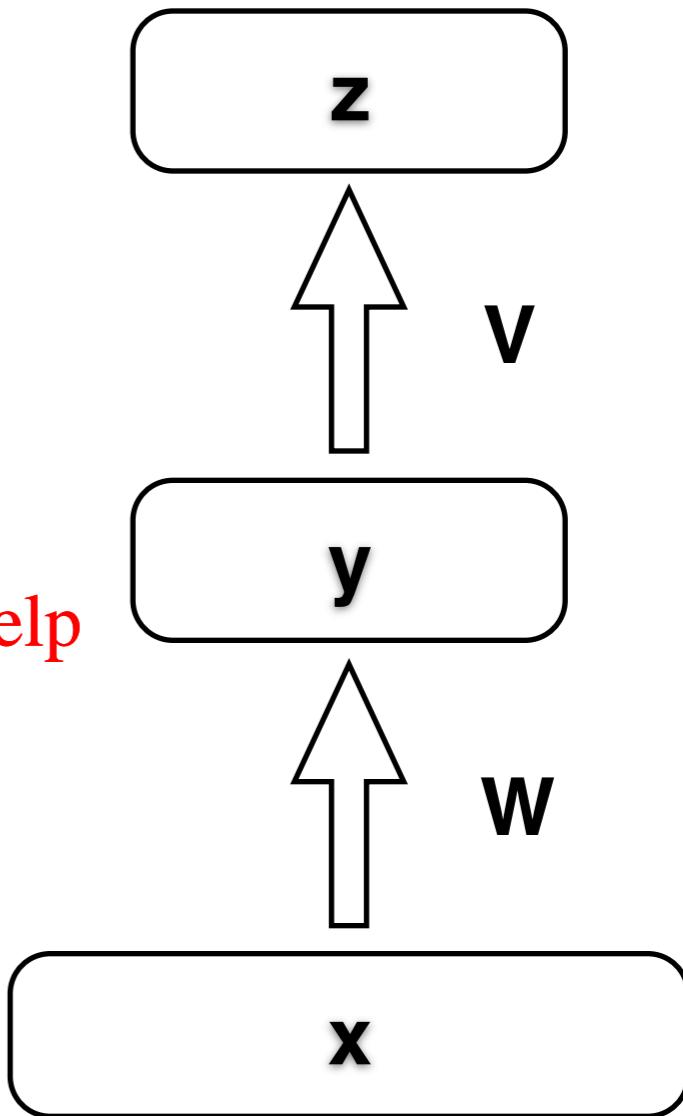
$$= \sum_k v_{j,k} \sum_i w_{i,j} x_i$$

- Or in matrix form

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{y}$$

$$= \mathbf{V}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}$$

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- Thus a two-layer linear network is equivalent to a one-layer linear network with weights $\mathbf{U}=\mathbf{V}\mathbf{W}$.
- It is *not* more powerful.

How do we address this?

Non-linear neural networks

- Idea introduce a non-linearity:

$$y_j = f\left(\sum_i w_{i,j} x_i\right)$$

- Now, multiple layers are *not* equivalent

$$z_j = f\left(\sum_k v_{j,k} y_j\right)$$

$$= f\left(\sum_k v_{j,k} f\left(\sum_i w_{i,j} x_i\right)\right)$$

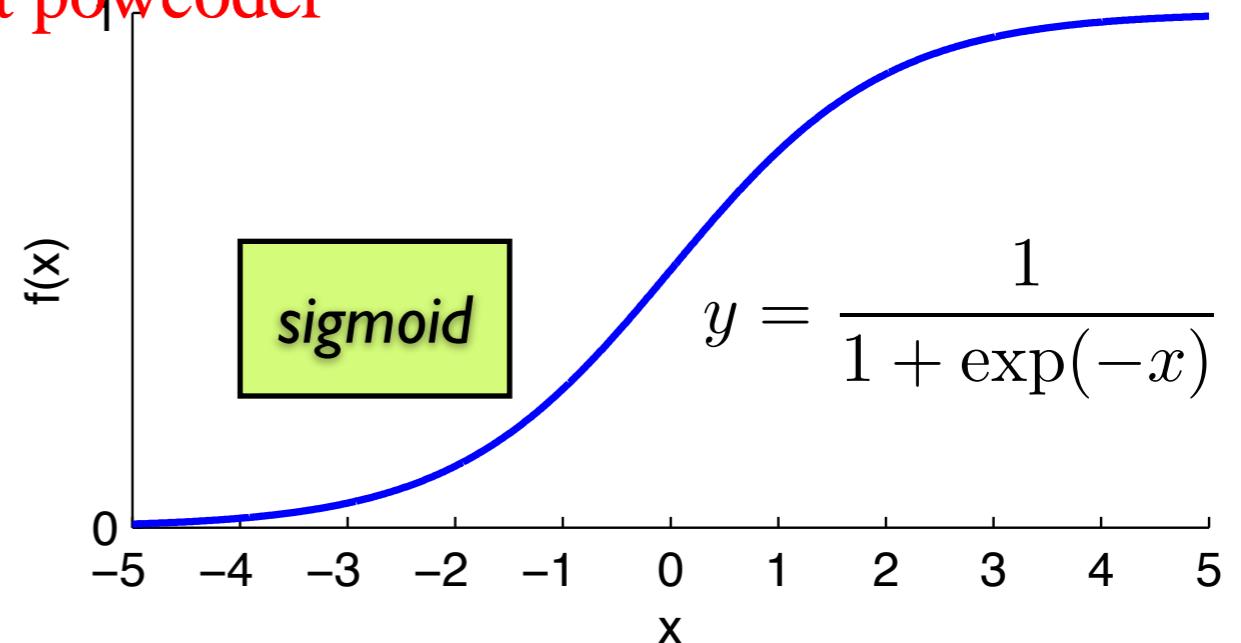
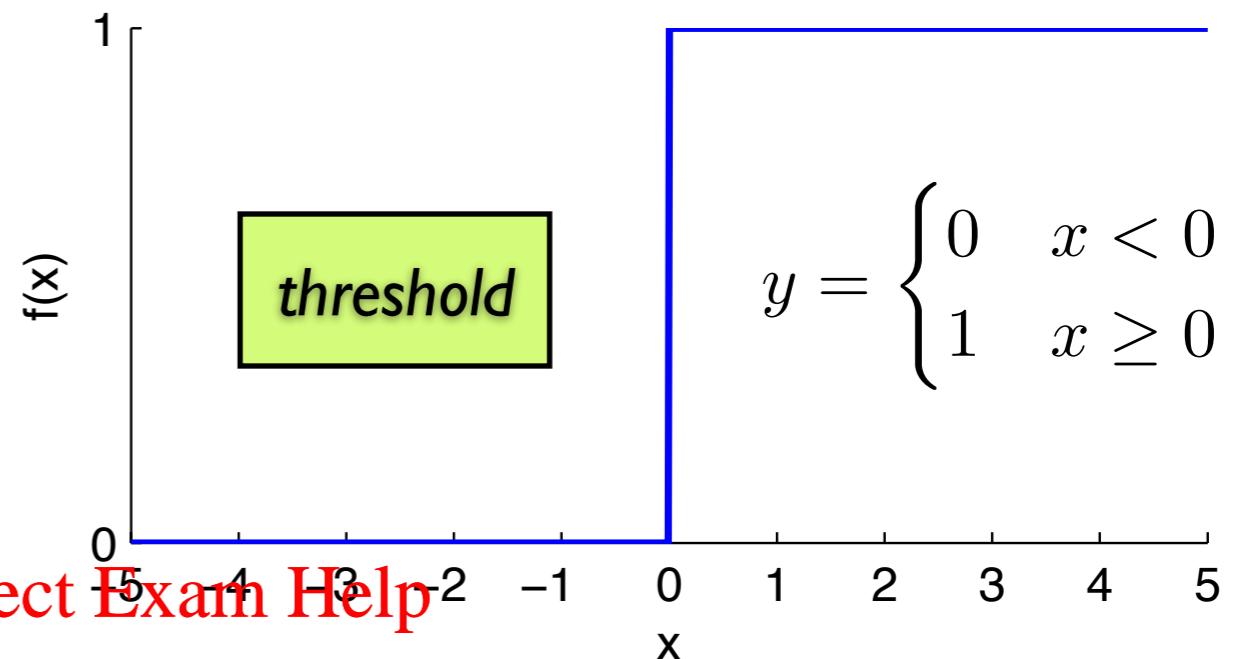
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- Common nonlinearities:

- threshold
- sigmoid



Posterior odds interpretation of a sigmoid

- The sigmoid can be interpreted as the posterior odds between two hypotheses

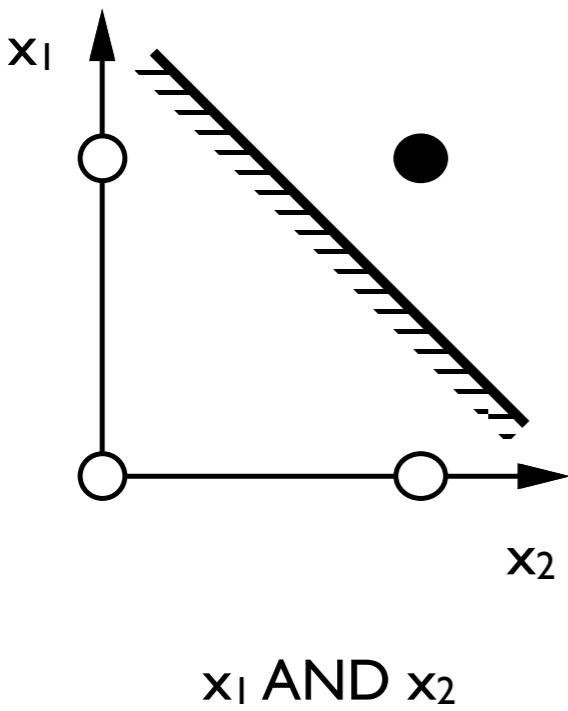
$$\begin{aligned} p(C_1|\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|C_1)p(C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|C_1)p(C_1) + p(\mathbf{x}|C_2)p(C_2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)} = \sigma(a) \end{aligned}$$

where $a = \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|C_1)p(C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|C_2)p(C_2)}$

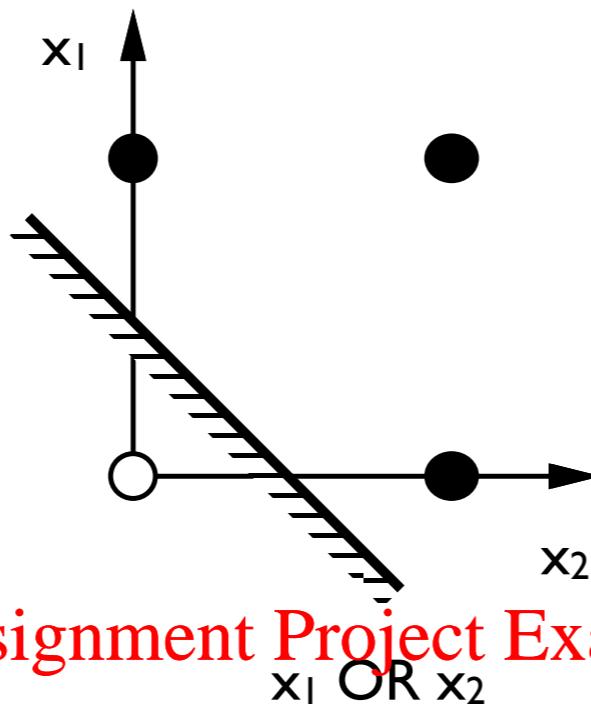
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- “a” is the log odds ratio of $p(C_1|\mathbf{x})$ and $p(C_2|\mathbf{x})$.

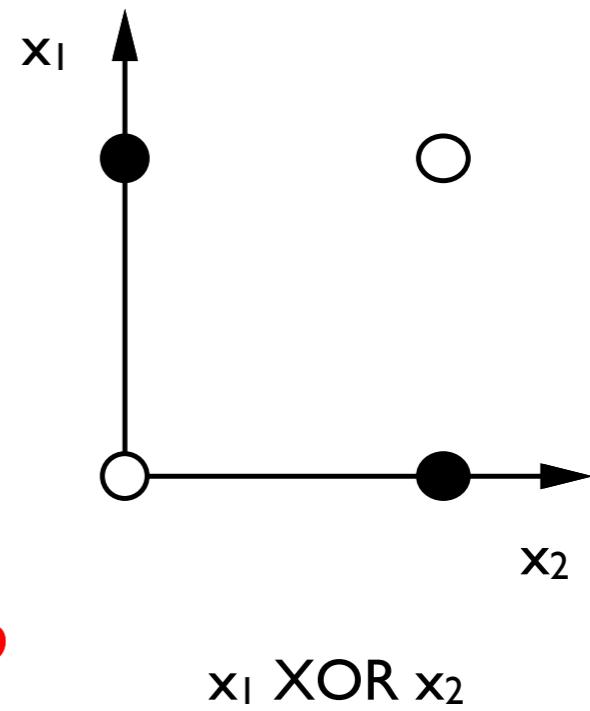
Modeling logical operators



$x_1 \text{ AND } x_2$



$x_1 \text{ OR } x_2$



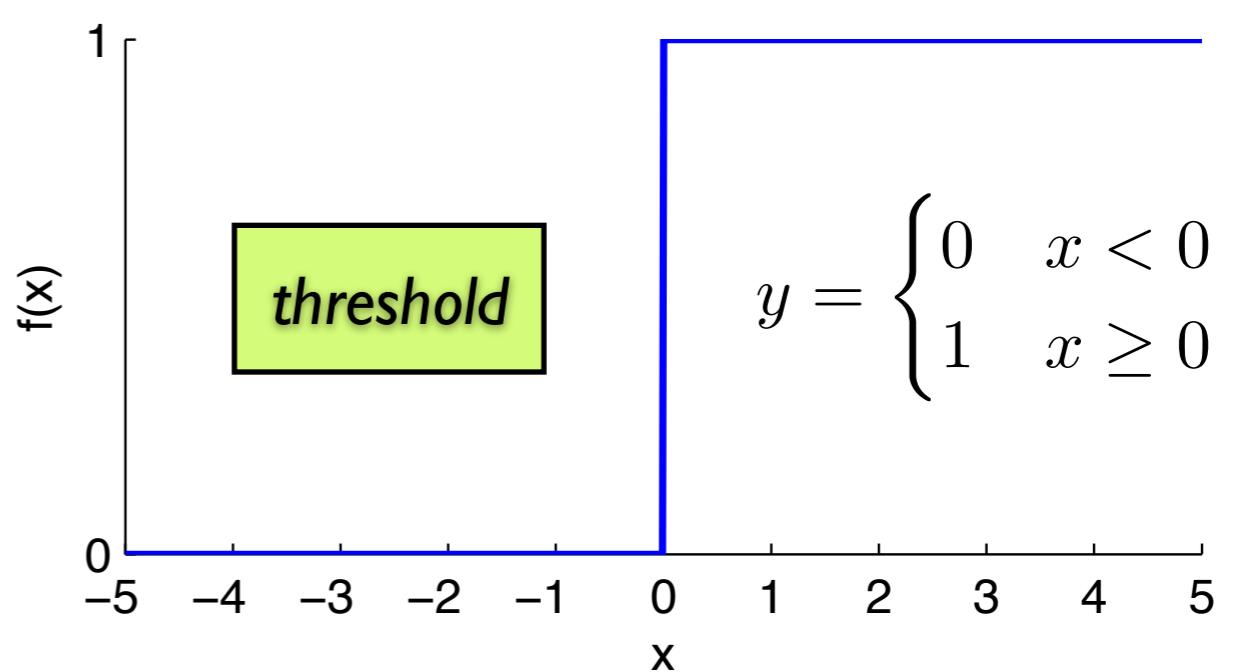
$x_1 \text{ XOR } x_2$

- A one-layer binary-threshold network can implement the logical operators AND and OR, but not XOR.
- Why not?

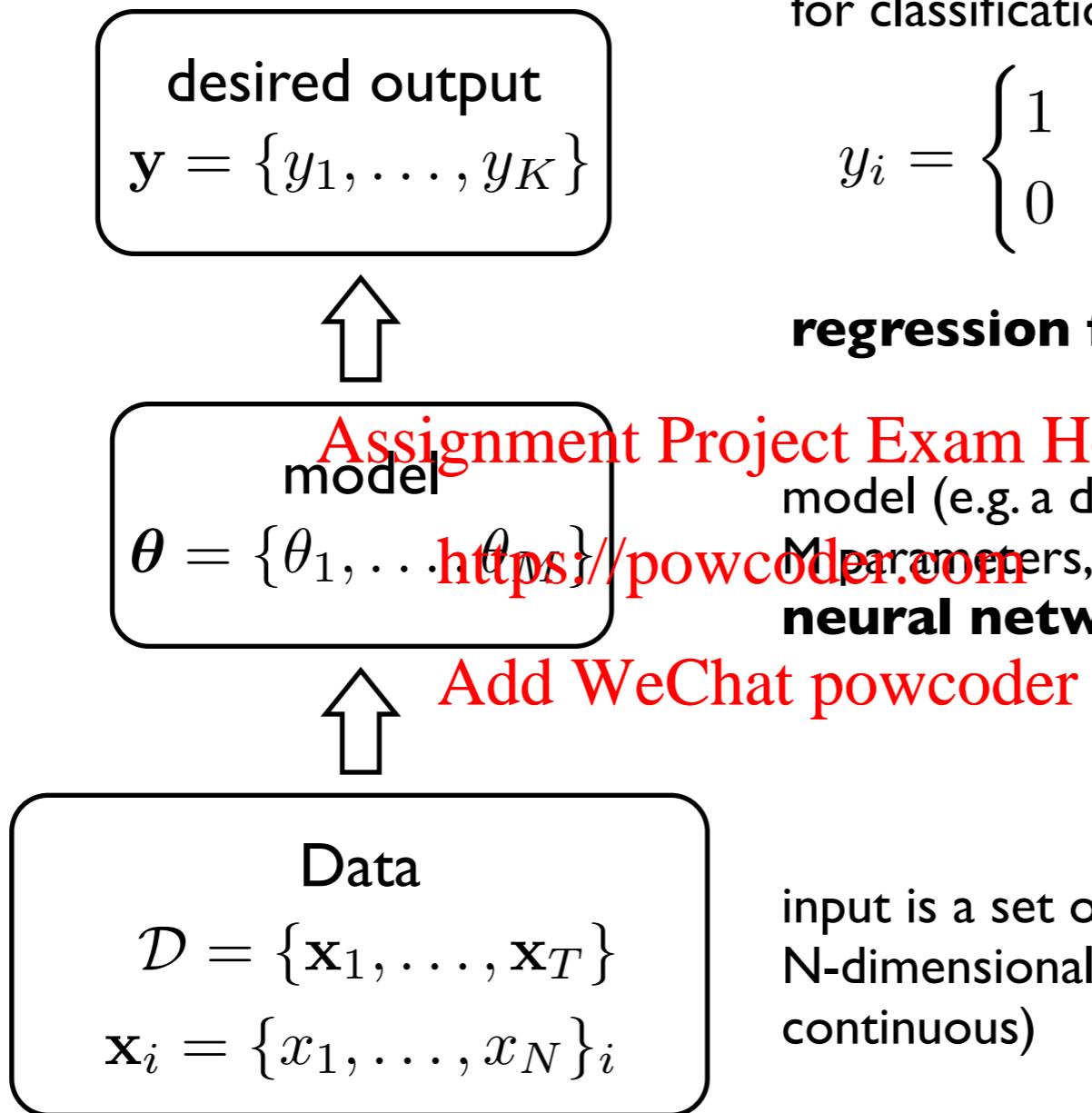
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The general classification/regression problem



for classification:

$$y_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x}_i \in C_i \equiv \text{class } i, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

regression for arbitrary \mathbf{y} .

model (e.g. a decision tree) is defined by M parameters, e.g. a **multi-layer neural network**.

Given data, we want to learn a model that can correctly classify novel observations **or map the inputs to the outputs**

A general multi-layer neural network

- Error function is defined as before, where we use the target vector t_n to define the desired output for network output y_n .

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (y_n(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{W}_{1:L}) - t_n)^2$$

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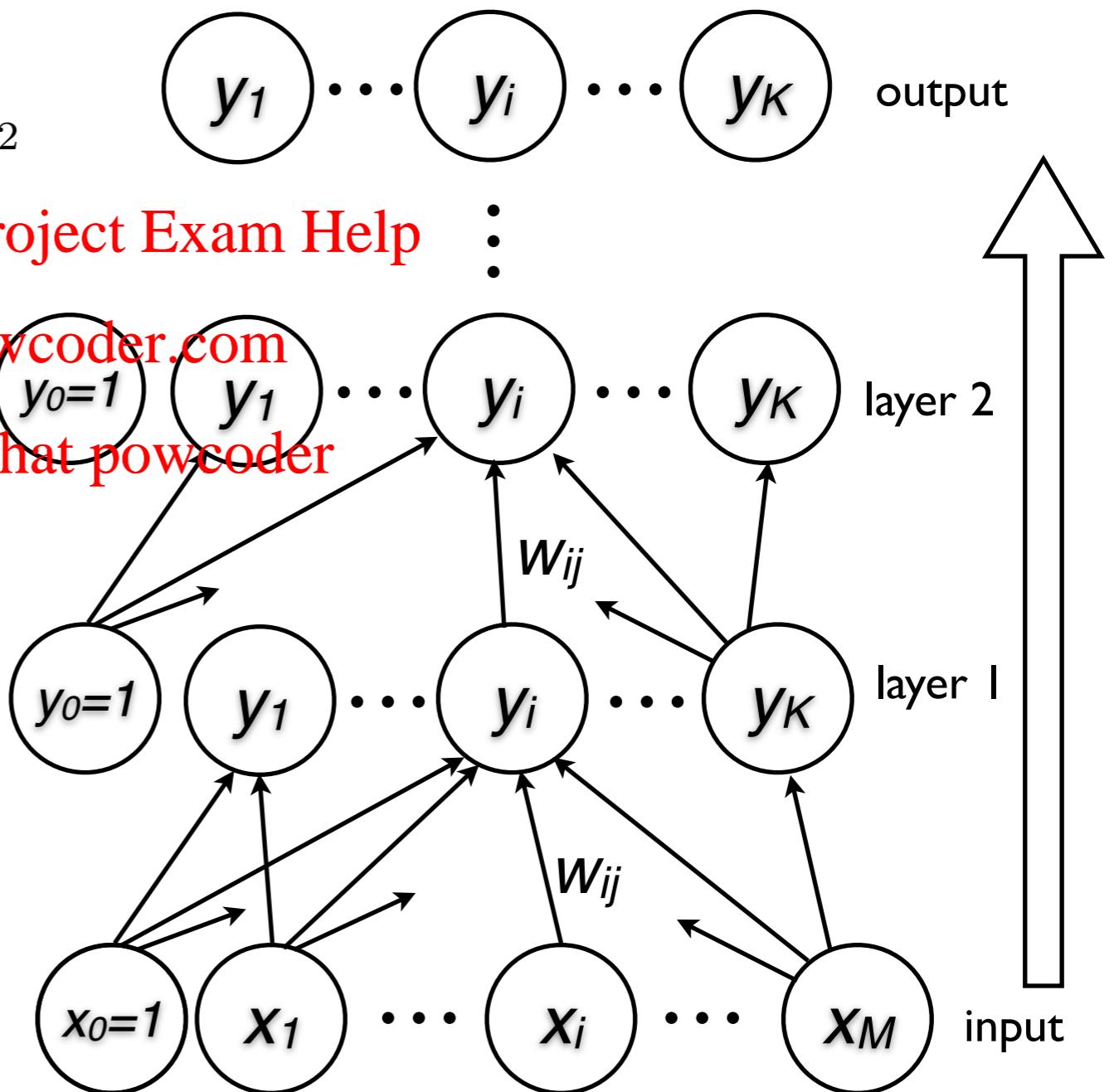
- The “forward pass” computes the outputs at each layer:

$$y_j^l = f\left(\sum_i w_{i,j}^l y_j^{l-1}\right)$$

$$l = \{1, \dots, L\}$$

$$\mathbf{x} \equiv \mathbf{y}^0$$

$$\text{output} = \mathbf{y}^L$$



Deriving the gradient for a sigmoid neural network

- Mathematical procedure for training is gradient descent: same as before, except the gradients are more complex to derive.

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{y}_n(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{W}_{1:L}) - \mathbf{t}_n)^2$$

New problem: local minima

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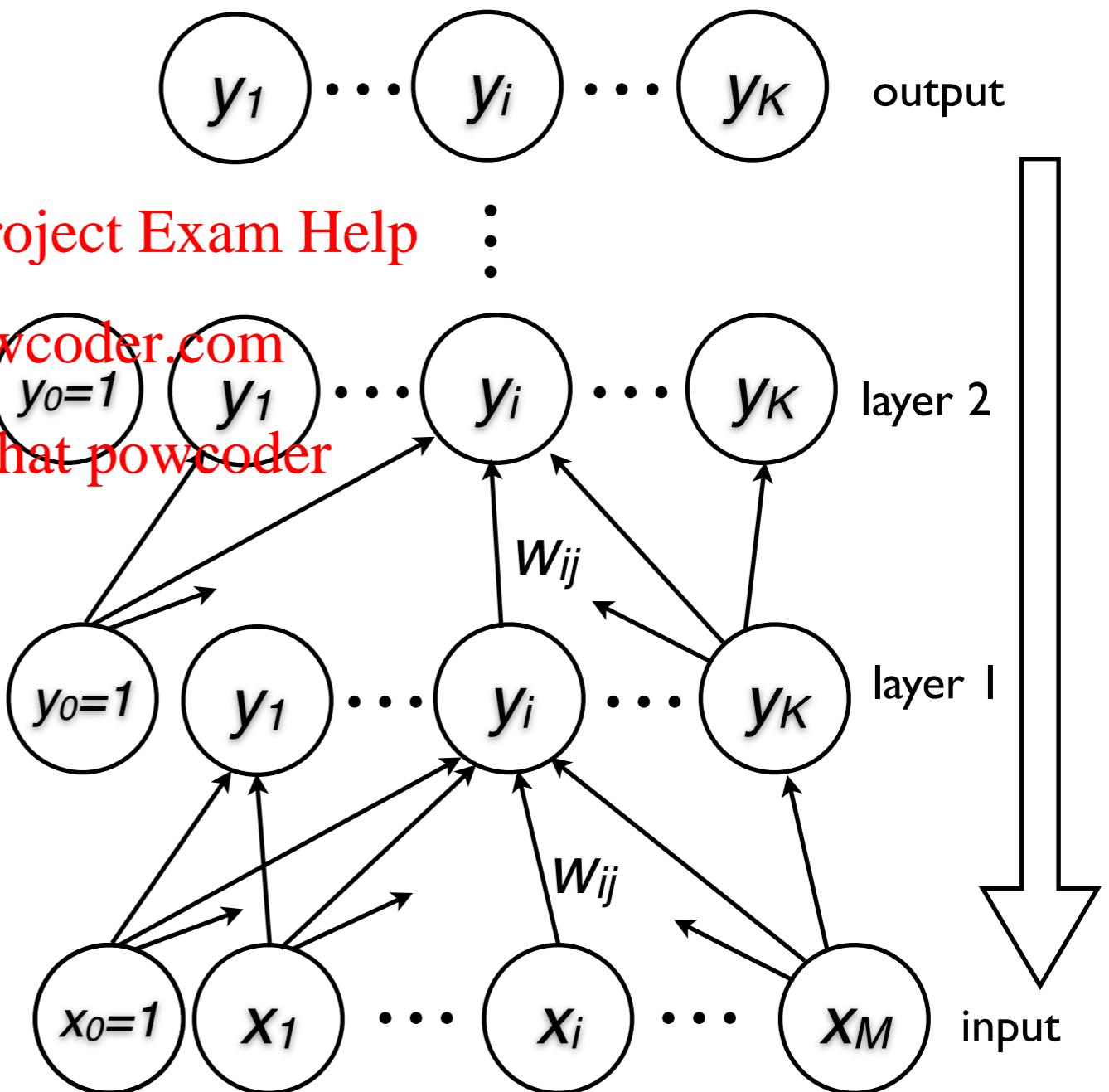
- Convenient fact for the sigmoid non-linearity:

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma(x)}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)} \\ &= \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x)) \end{aligned}$$

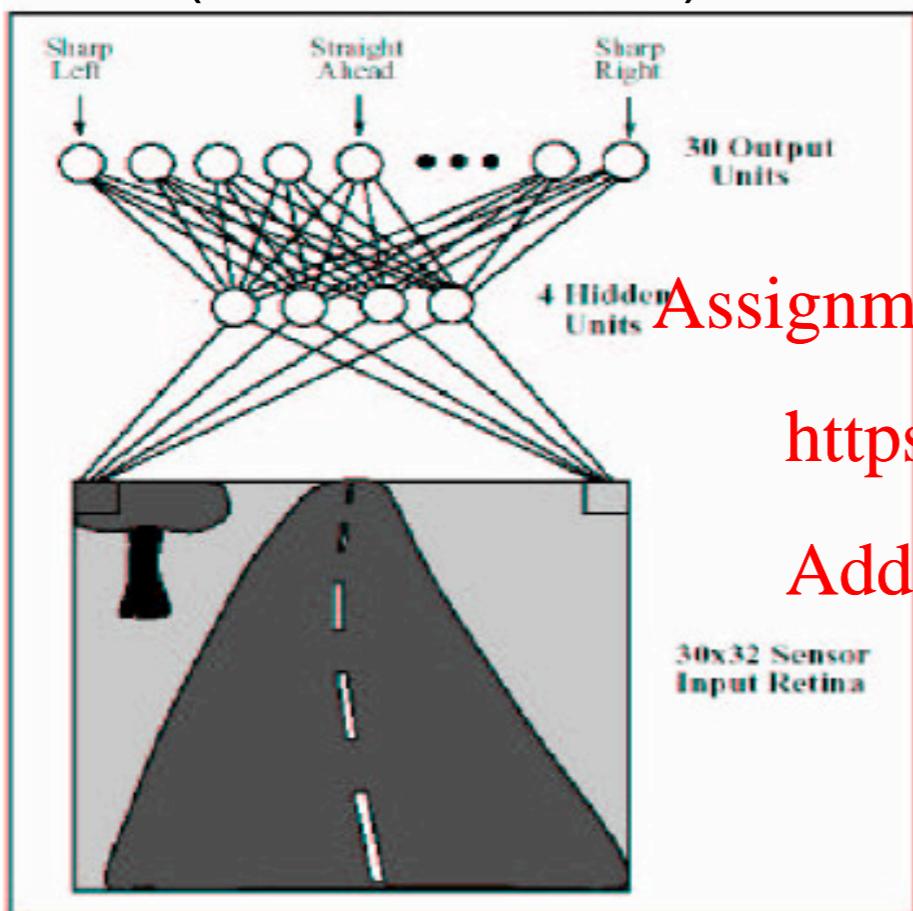
- backward pass computes the gradients: *back-propagation*

$$\mathbf{W}_{t+1} = \mathbf{W}_t + \epsilon \frac{\partial E}{\mathbf{W}}$$



Applications: Driving (output is analog: steering direction)

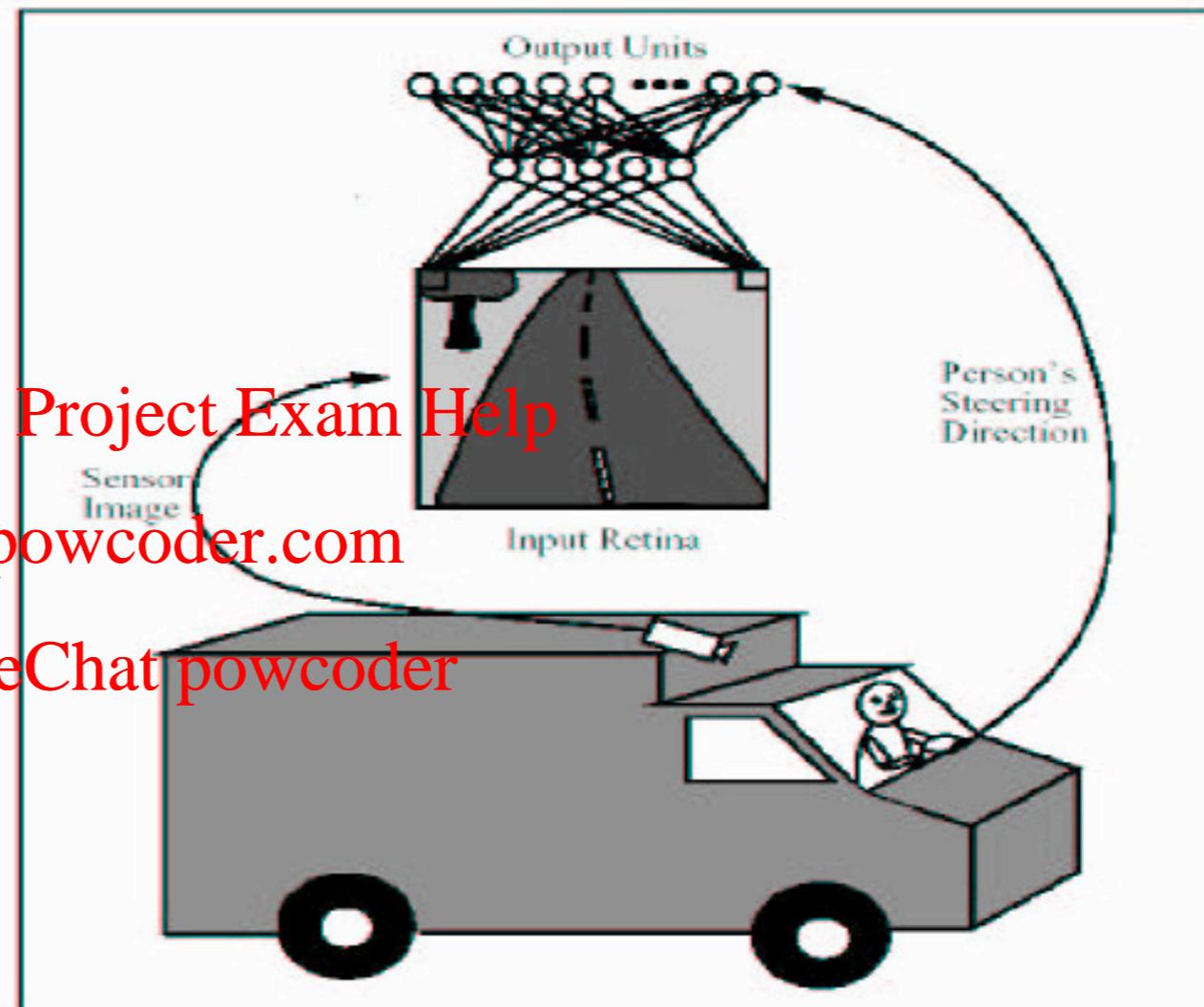
network with 1 layer
(4 hidden units)



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- Learns to drive on roads
- Demonstrated at highway speeds over 100s of miles

D. Pomerleau. *Neural network perception for mobile robot guidance*. Kluwer Academic Publishing, 1993.

Real image input is augmented to avoid overfitting

Training data:
Images +
corresponding
steering angle

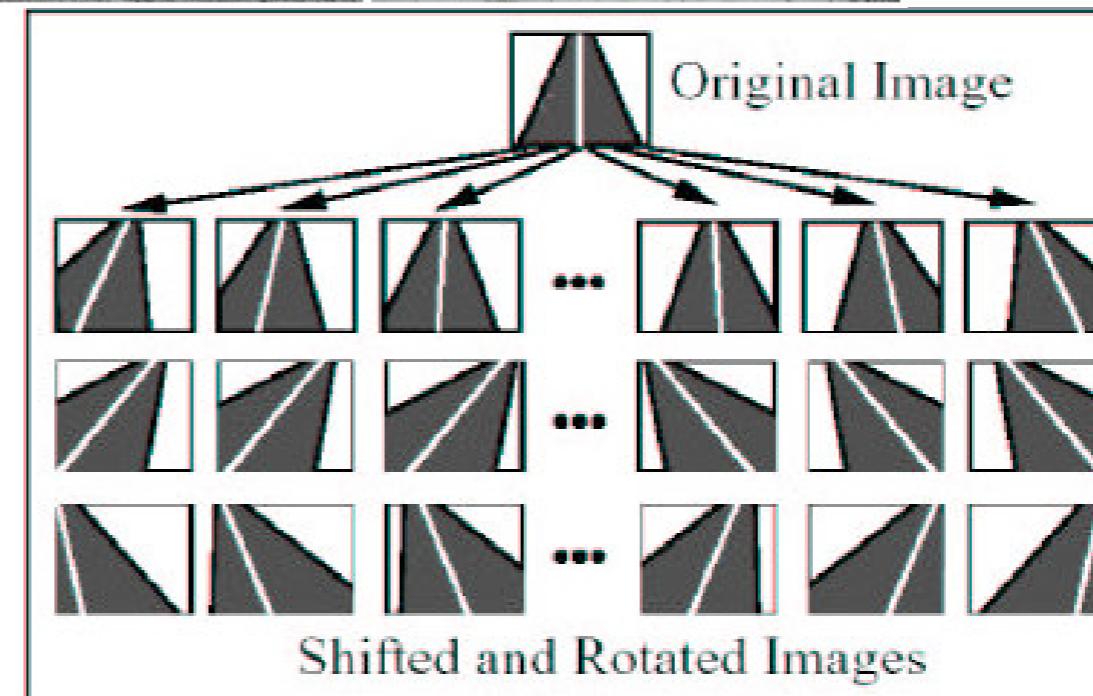


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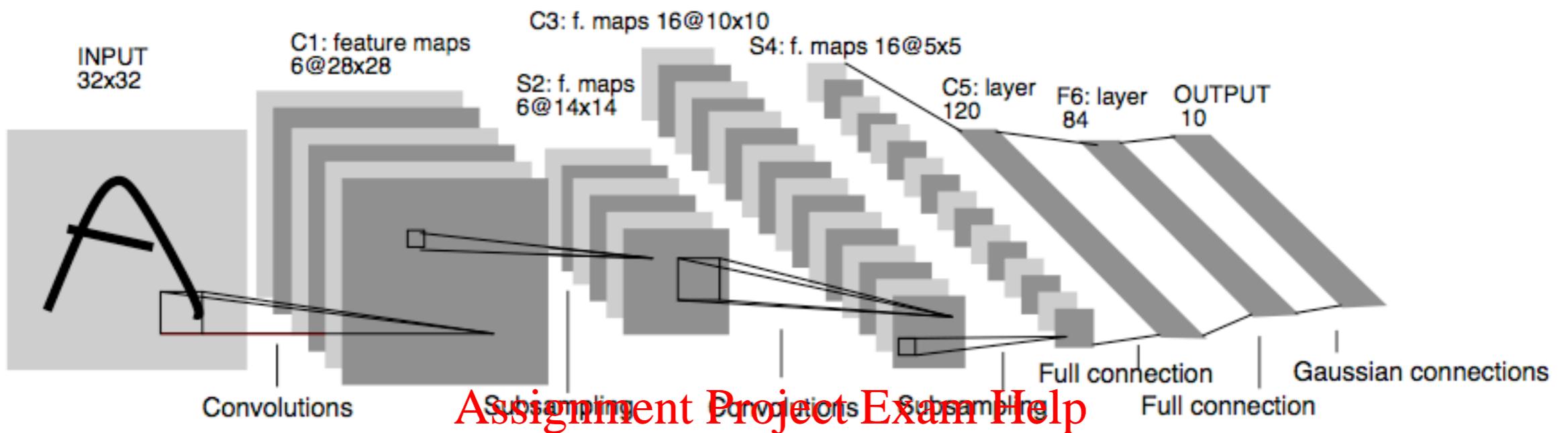
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Important:
Conditioning of
training data to
generate new
examples → avoids
overfitting



Hand-written digits: LeNet



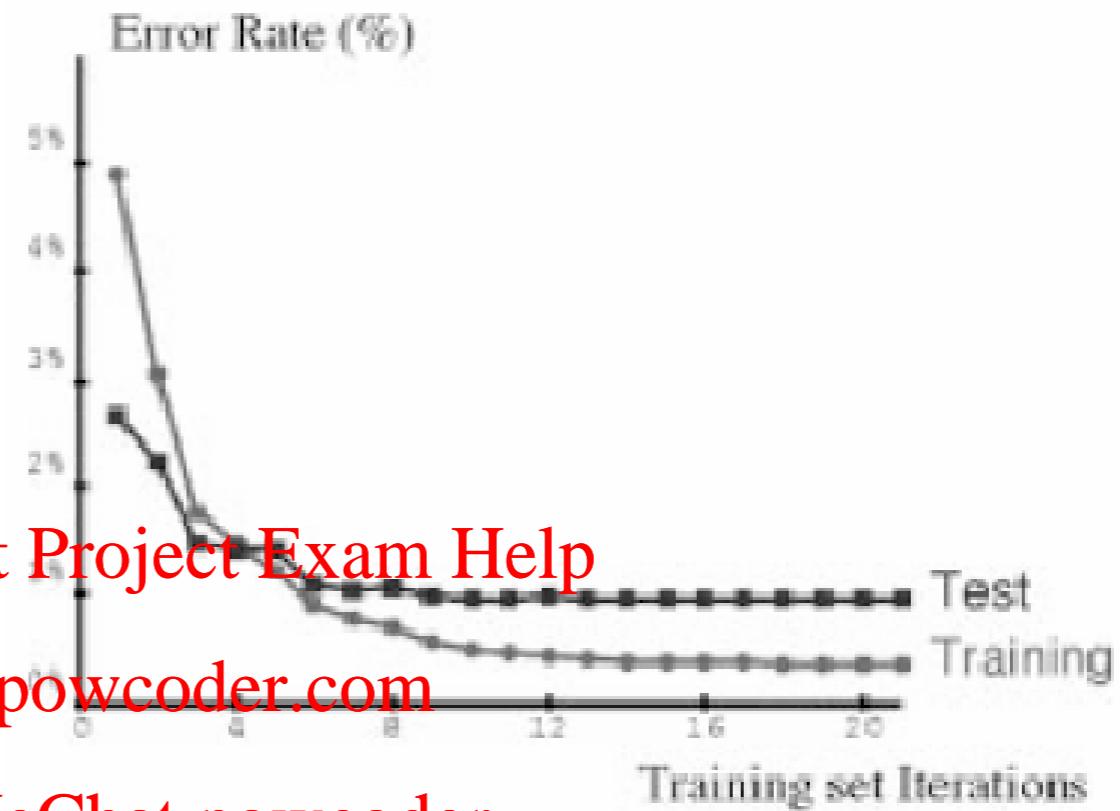
- Takes as input image of handwritten digit
 - Each pixel is an input unit
 - Complex network with many layers
 - Output is digit class
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- Tested on large (50,000+) database of handwritten samples
 - Real-time
 - Used commercially

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LeNet

3 6 8 1 7 9 6 6 9 1
6 7 5 7 8 6 3 4 8 5
2 1 7 9 7 1 2 8 4 5
4 8 1 9 0 1 8 8 9 4
7 6 1 8 6 4 1 5 6 0
7 5 9 2 6 5 8 1 9 7
2 2 2 2 2 3 4 4 8 0
0 2 3 8 0 7 3 8 5 7
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7 1 2 8 7 6 9 8 6 1



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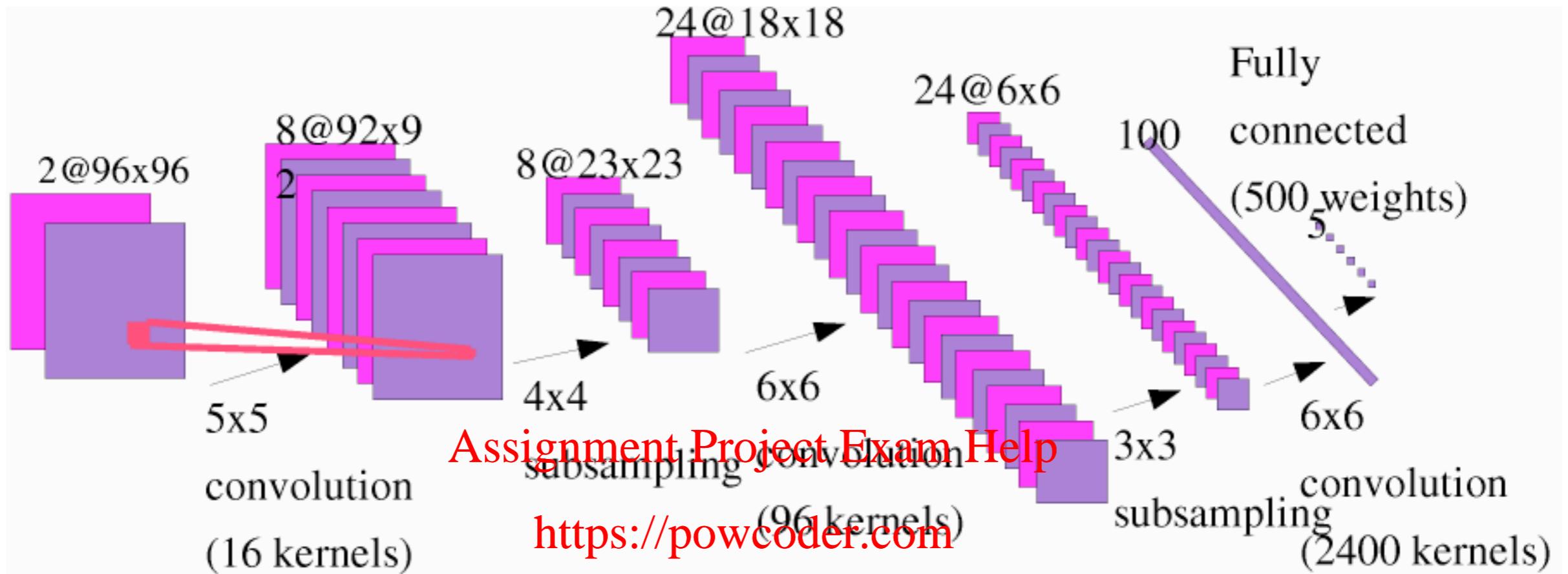
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Very low error rate (<< 1%)

Y. LeCun, L. Bottou, Y. Bengio, and P. Haffner. Gradient-based learning applied to document recognition. *Proceedings of the IEEE*, november 1998.

<http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/lenet/>

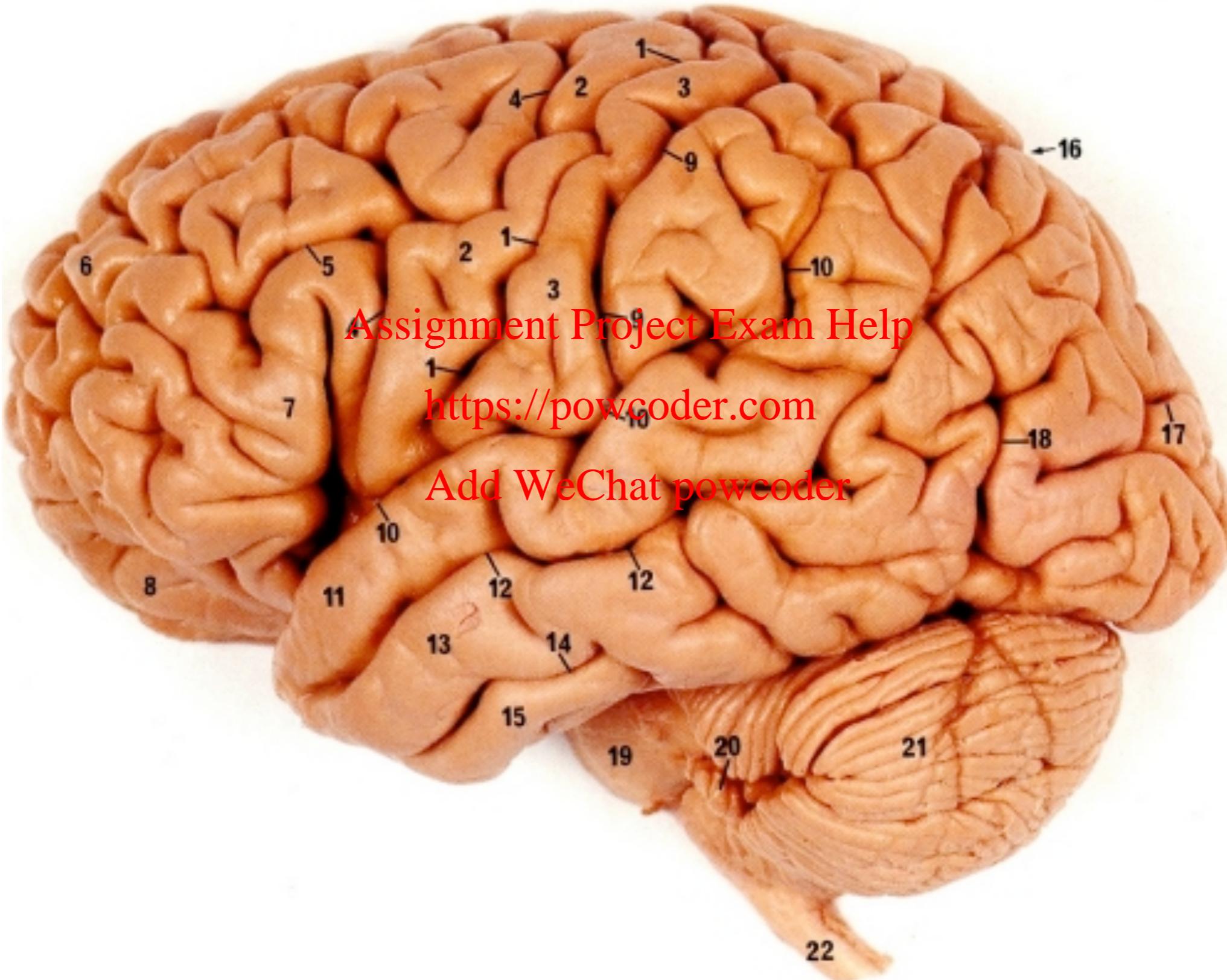
Object recognition



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- LeCun, Huang, Bottou (2004). Learning Methods for Generic Object Recognition with Invariance to Pose and Lighting. Proceedings of CVPR 2004.
- <http://www.cs.nyu.edu/~yann/research/norb/>

Is AI is still at the balloon stage?



Limitations of this approach



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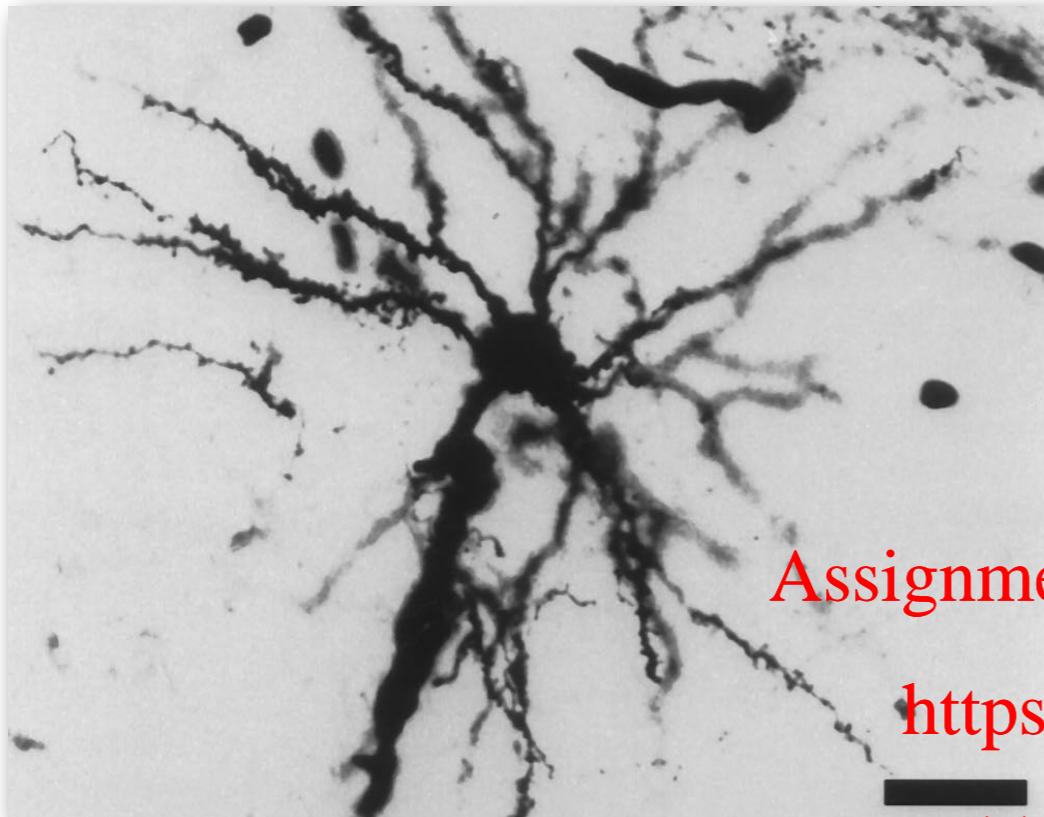
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My own neural recordings from my PhD studies

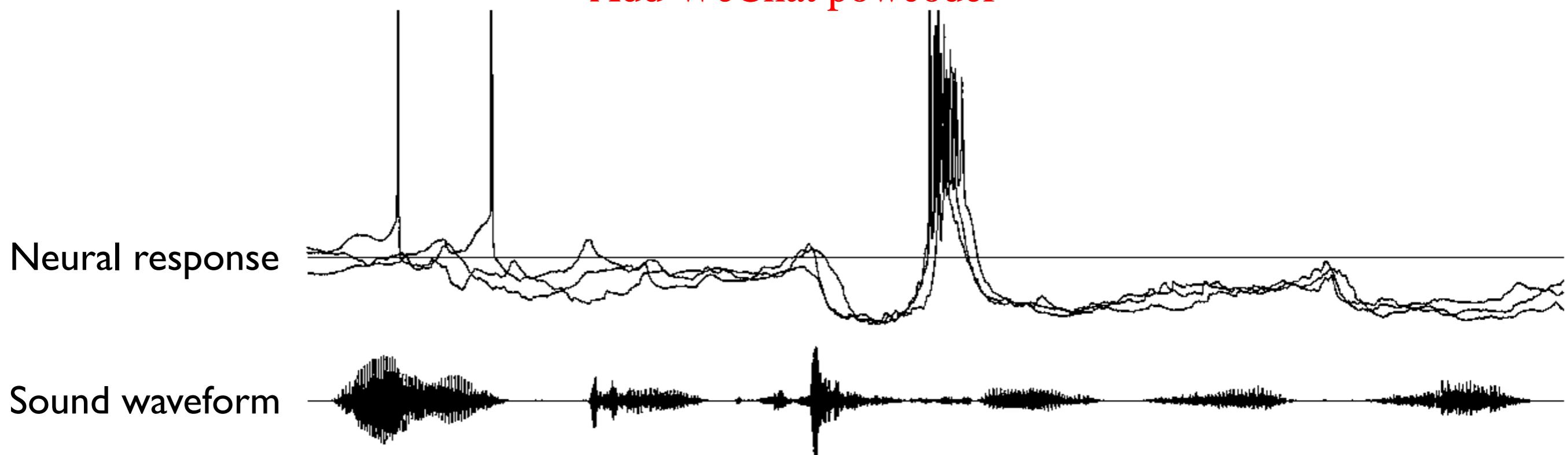


A neuron in an auditory brain area

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Brains vs computers

Brains (adult cortex)

- surface area: 2500 cm²
- squishy
- neurons: 20 billion
- synapses: 240,000 billion
- neuron size: 15,000 nm
- synapse size: 1,000 nm
- synaptic OPS: 30,000 billion

Intel quad core (Nehalem)

- surface area: 107 mm²
- crystalline
- transistors: 0.82 billion
- transistor size: 45 nm
- FLOPS: 45 billion

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Deep Blue: 512
processors, 1 TFLOP

Brains vs computers: energy efficiency

Brains (adult cortex)

- surface area: 2500 cm²
- squishy
- neurons: 20 billion
- synapses: 240,000 billion
- neuron size: 15,000 nm
- synapse size: 1,000 nm
- synaptic OPS: 30,000 billion
- power usage: ~12 W
- **2500 GFLOPS/W**

Intel quad core (Nehalem, 2008)

- surface area: 107 mm²
- crystalline
- transistors: 0.82 billion
- transistor size: 45 nm
- FLOPS: 45 billion
- power usage: 60 W
- **0.75 GFLOPS/W**

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Google's Deep Learning Chip: The Tensor Processing Unit



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Brains vs computers: energy efficiency

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Google TPU 2.0

- surface area: ~331 mm²
- crystalline
- transistors: 2-2.5 billion

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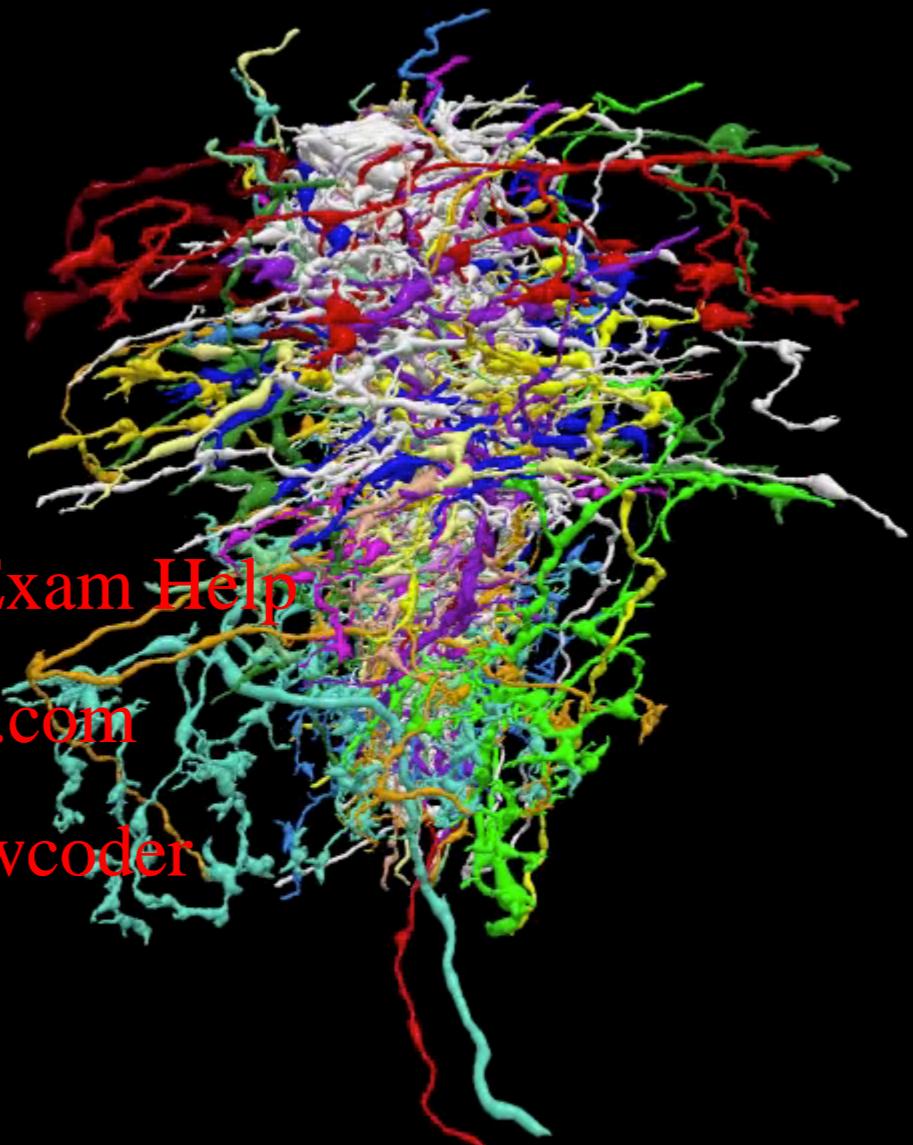
- neuron size: 15,000 nm
- synapse size: 1,000 nm

- synaptic Terra OPS: ~30
- power usage: ~12 W
- **2.5 TOPS/W**

- Terra OPS (8 bit): 92 (TPU 2.0 is 180 teraops)
- power usage: 40 W
- **2.3 TOPS/W**

(4.5 for TPU 2.0 assuming 40W)

Reconstruction of neural motion processing circuits in a fly



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(Tm, TmY, Mi, Dm, Pm, T, Y)

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A visual motion detection circuit suggested by *Drosophila* connectomics

379 neurons; 8,637 chemical synaptic connections

Summary

- Decision boundaries
 - Bayes optimal
 - linear discriminant
 - linear separability
- Classification vs regression
- Optimization by gradient descent
- Degeneracy of a multi-layer linear network
- Non-linearities:: threshold, sigmoid, others
- Issues:
 - very general architecture, can solve many problems
 - large number of parameters: need to avoid overfitting
 - usually requires a large amount of data, or special architecture
 - local minima, training can be slow, need to set stepsize