

Warm-up as You Log In



In-Class Exercise:

Debug the following program which is (incorrectly) attempting to run SGD for multinomial logistic regression

Buggy Program:

while not converged:

for i in shuffle([1,...,N]):

for k in [1,...,K]:

theta[k] = theta[k] - gamma * grad(x[i], y[i], theta, k)

for k in 1...K
grad[k]

θ_1 new
 θ_2 new
 θ_3 old
 θ_4 old

Assume: grad(x[i], y[i], theta, k) returns the gradient of the negative log-likelihood of the training example (x[i],y[i]) with respect to vector theta[k]. gamma is the learning rate. N = # of examples. K = # of output classes. M = # of features. theta is a K by M matrix.

Announcements

Assignments

- HW4
 - Wed, 10/14, 11:59 pm

Midterm

- Almost finished, grades will hopefully be out later today
- Come talk to us if you're not happy with how you are doing in the course

Plan

Today

- Wrap-up multi-class logistic regression
- Feature engineering
 - Make our linear methods more powerful!!
- Regularization
 - Make sure they aren't too powerful 😊

Wrap-up Logistic Regression

Logistic regression slides

Feedback Survey

See Piazza for link

An abstract graphic on the left side of the slide, featuring a sphere-like shape composed of a dense grid of intersecting red, green, and blue lines. The lines are curved and follow the contours of the sphere, creating a complex, woven pattern. The sphere is set against a dark gray background.

Introduction to Machine Learning

Feature Engineering and Regularization

Instructor: Pat Virtue

How Do We Deal with Real-world Problems

SPAM Classification

How Do We Deal with Real-world Problems

Predicting Rating from Written Movie Review

$$x = \{ \text{tex} \}$$

$$\phi(x) \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(x) \\ \phi_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ \phi_m(x) \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \# \text{ times fantastic}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{y} &= h(\vec{x}) \\ &= g(\vec{\theta}^T \vec{x}) \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ &= g(\vec{\theta}^T \phi(x)) \end{aligned}$$

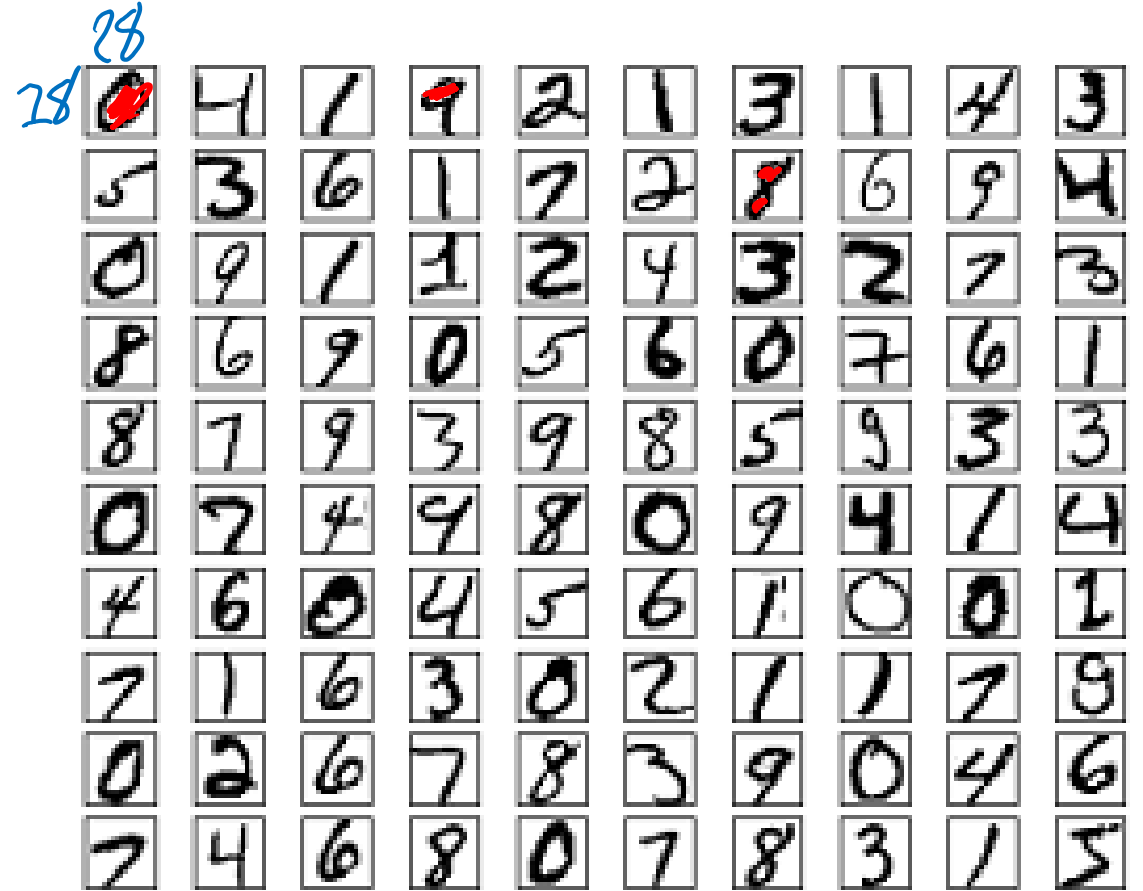
How Do We Deal with Real-world Problems

Images: Handwritten Digits

$$\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{784}$$

$$g(\vec{\theta}^T \vec{x})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(\vec{x}) \\ \phi_2(\vec{x}) \\ \vdots \\ \phi_m(\vec{x}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \text{number of holes} \\ \leftarrow \text{ratio fg/bg} \end{array}$$



How Do We Deal with Real-world Problems

Images: Face Recognition



How Do We Deal with Real-world Problems

Images: Animal Classification



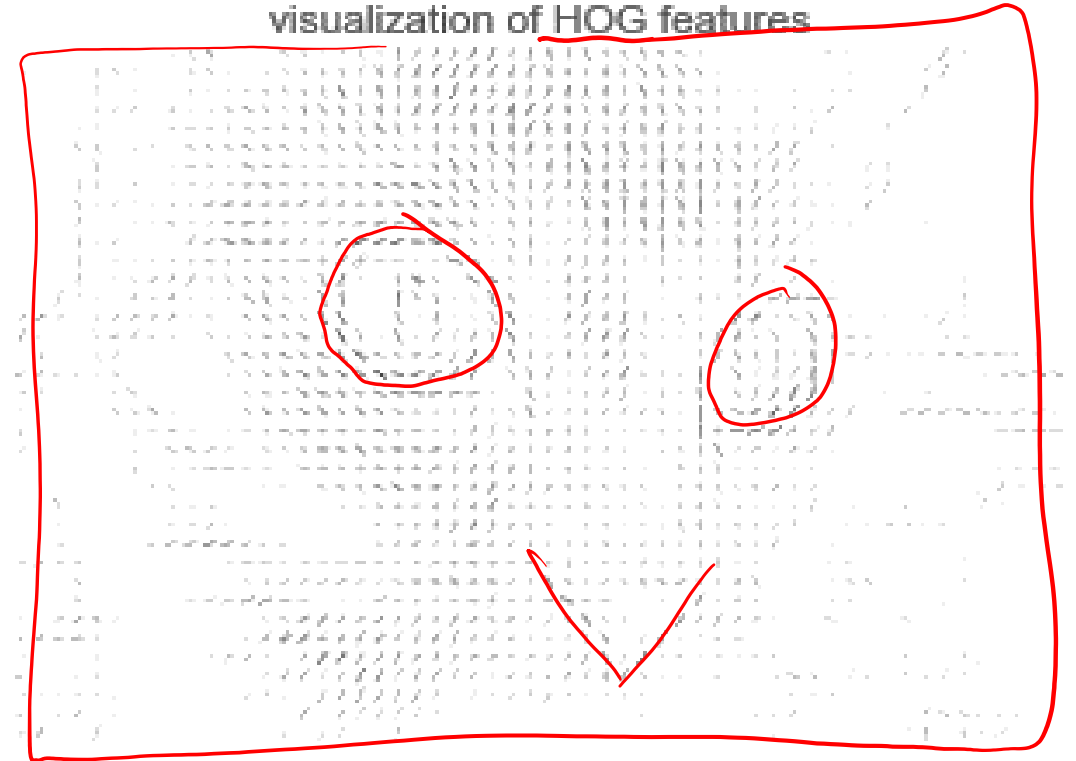
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Images: Animal Classification

input image

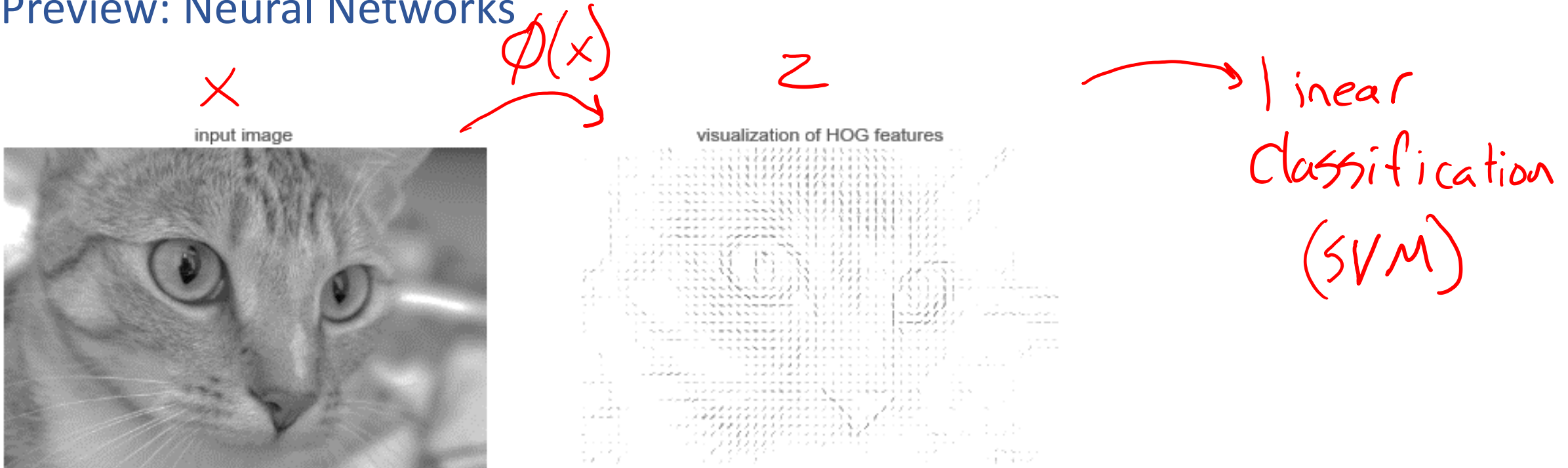


visualization of HOG features



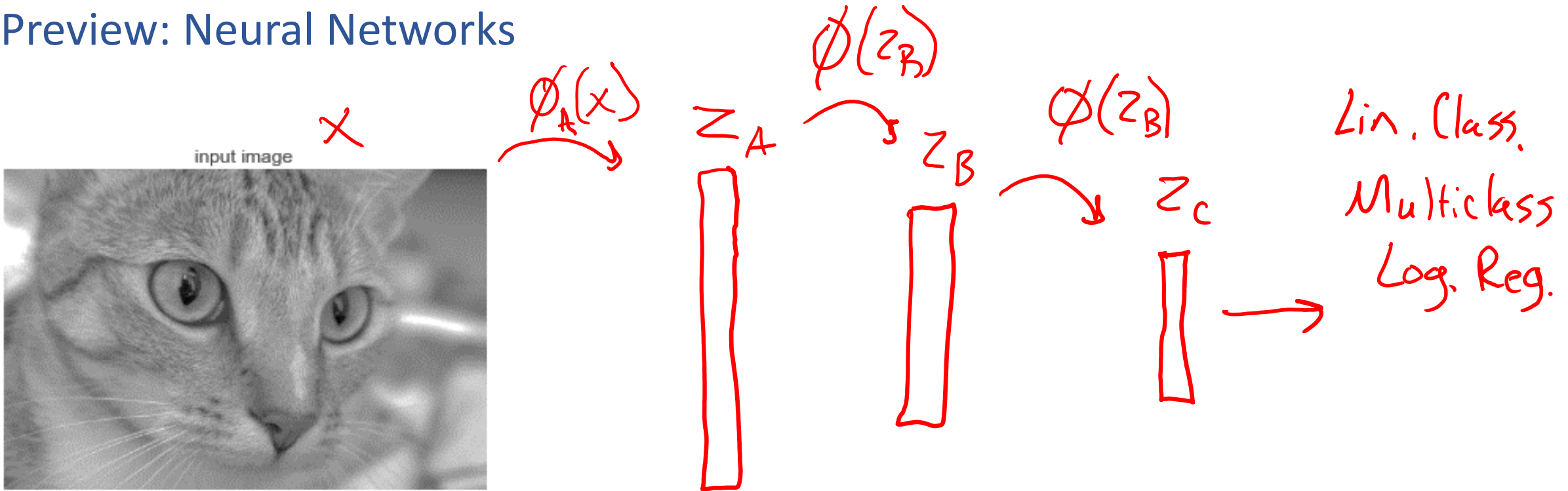
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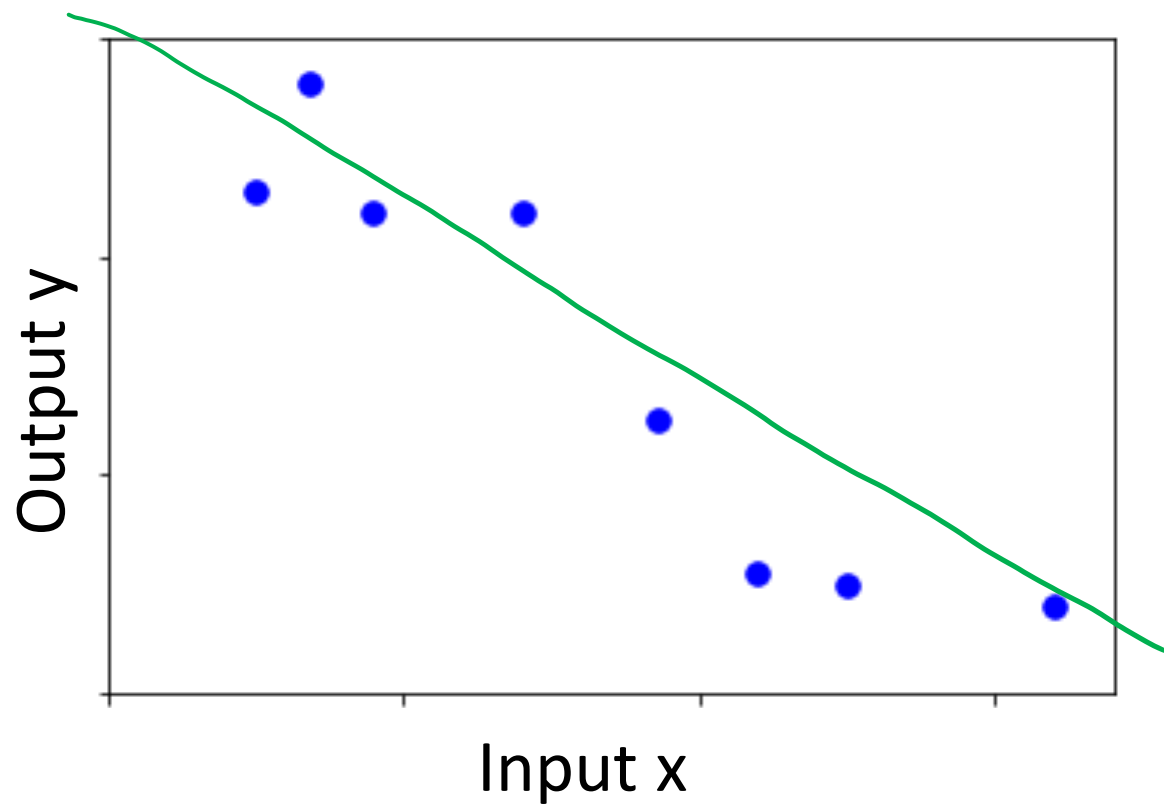
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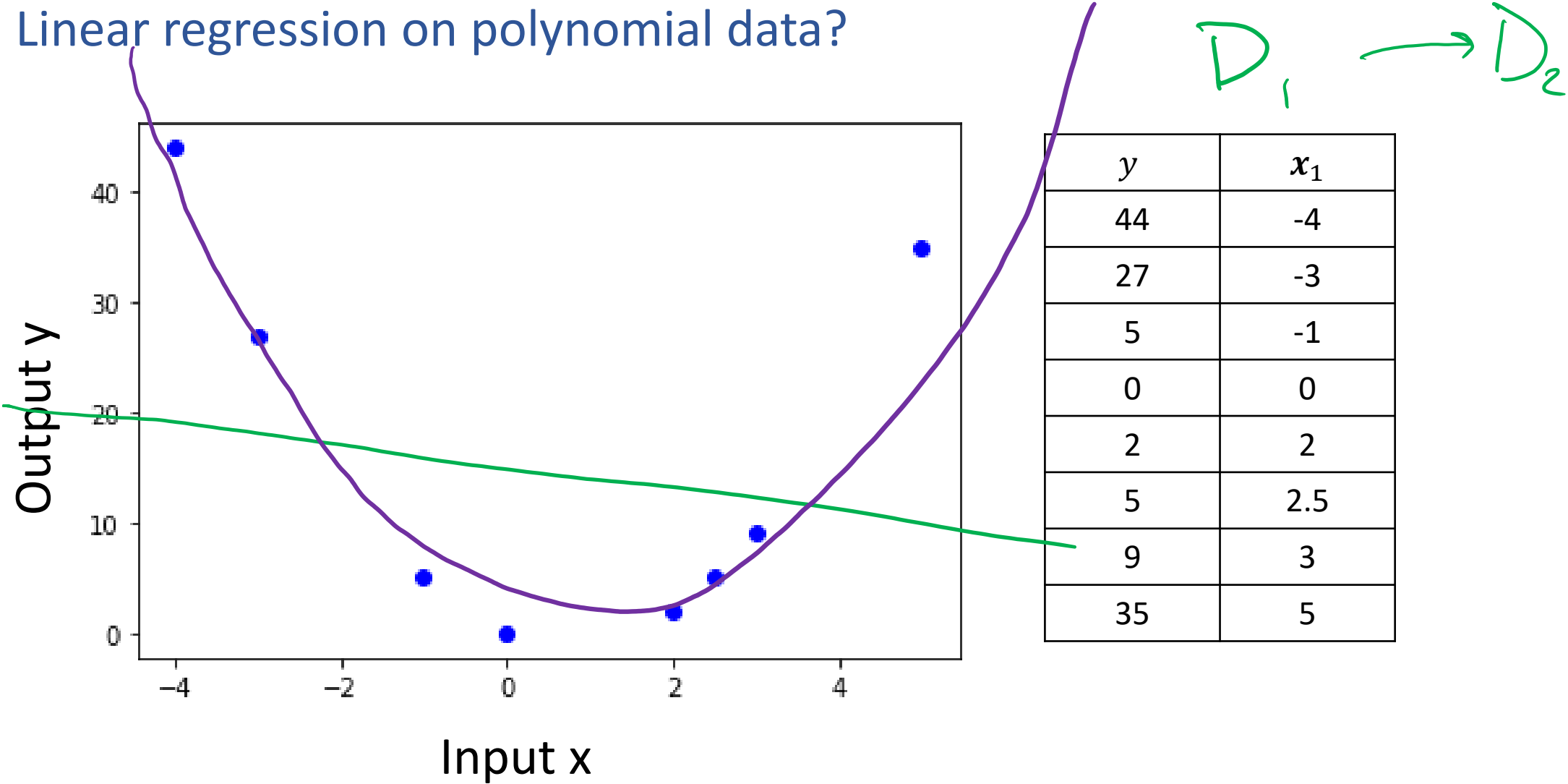
Linear Data

Regression on simple linear dataset



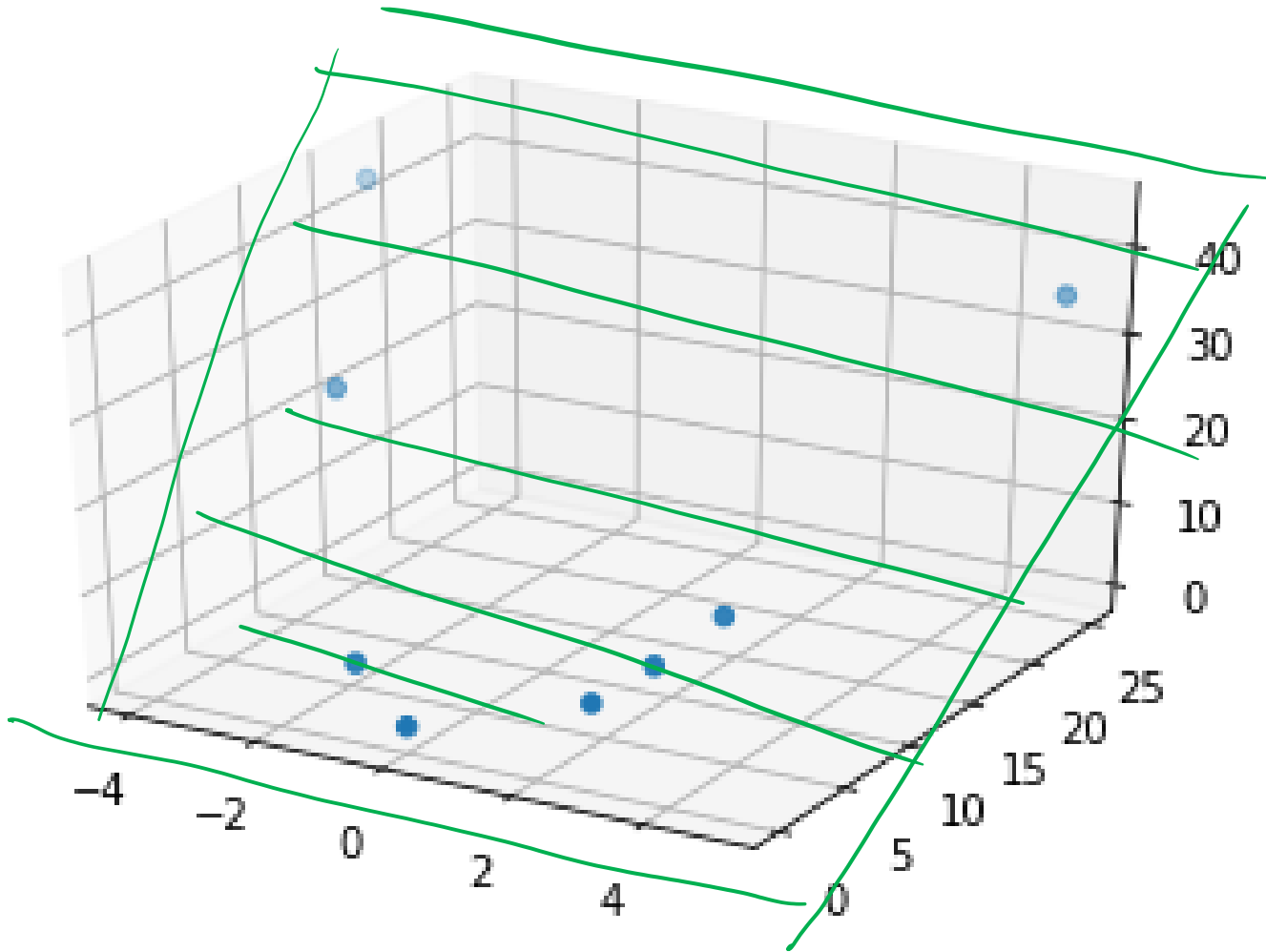
Non-linear Data

Linear regression on polynomial data?



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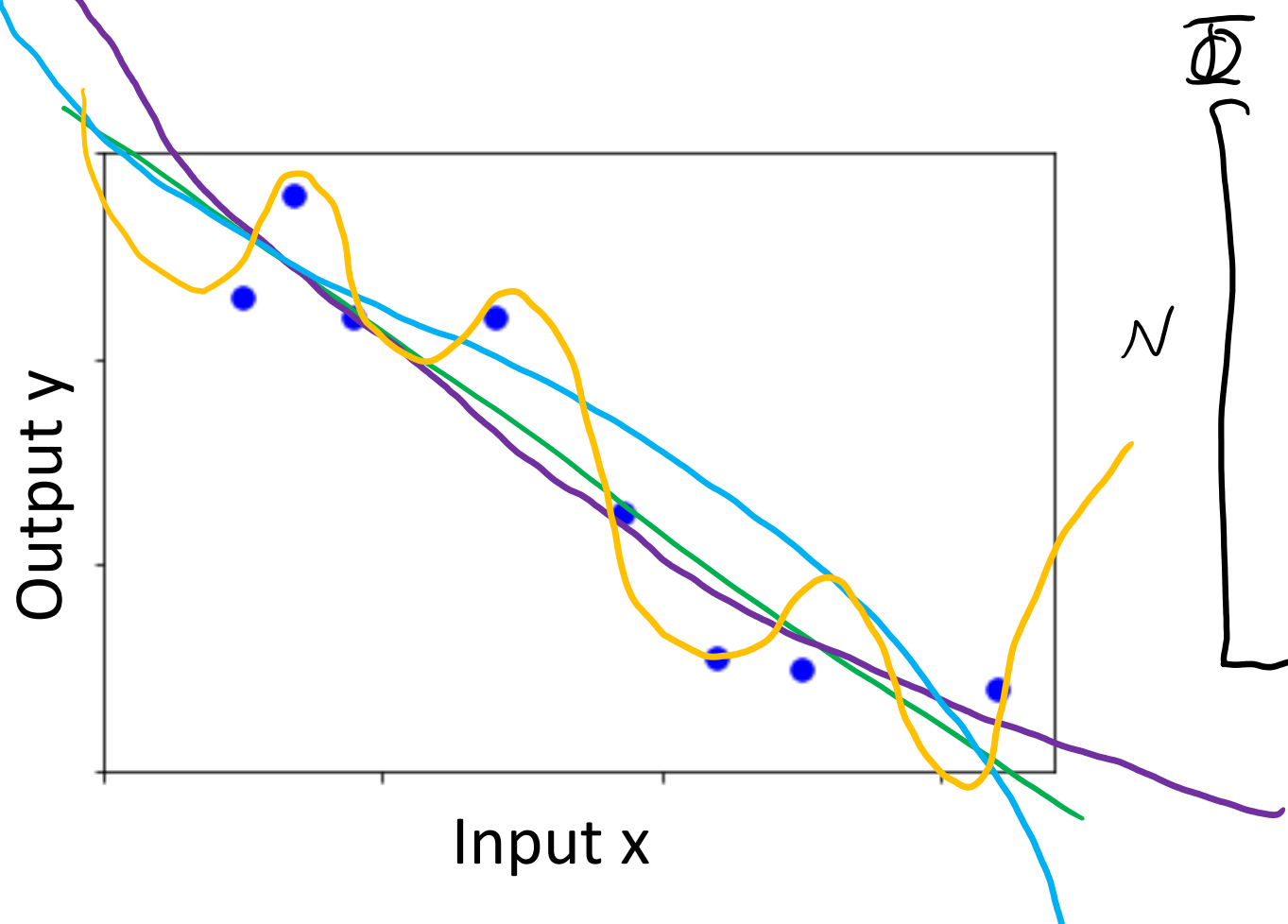
D_2 x_1^2

y	x_1	x_2
44	-4	16
27	-3	9
5	-1	1
0	0	0
2	2	4
5	2.5	6.25
9	3	9
35	5	25

$$y = w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2^2$$

Non-linear Data

Polynomial feature map for linear regression



$$x \rightarrow \phi(x)$$

$$X \rightarrow \Phi$$

$$\begin{matrix} \Phi \\ \vdots \\ \mathcal{N} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} x^{(1)} \\ x^{(2)} \end{matrix}$$

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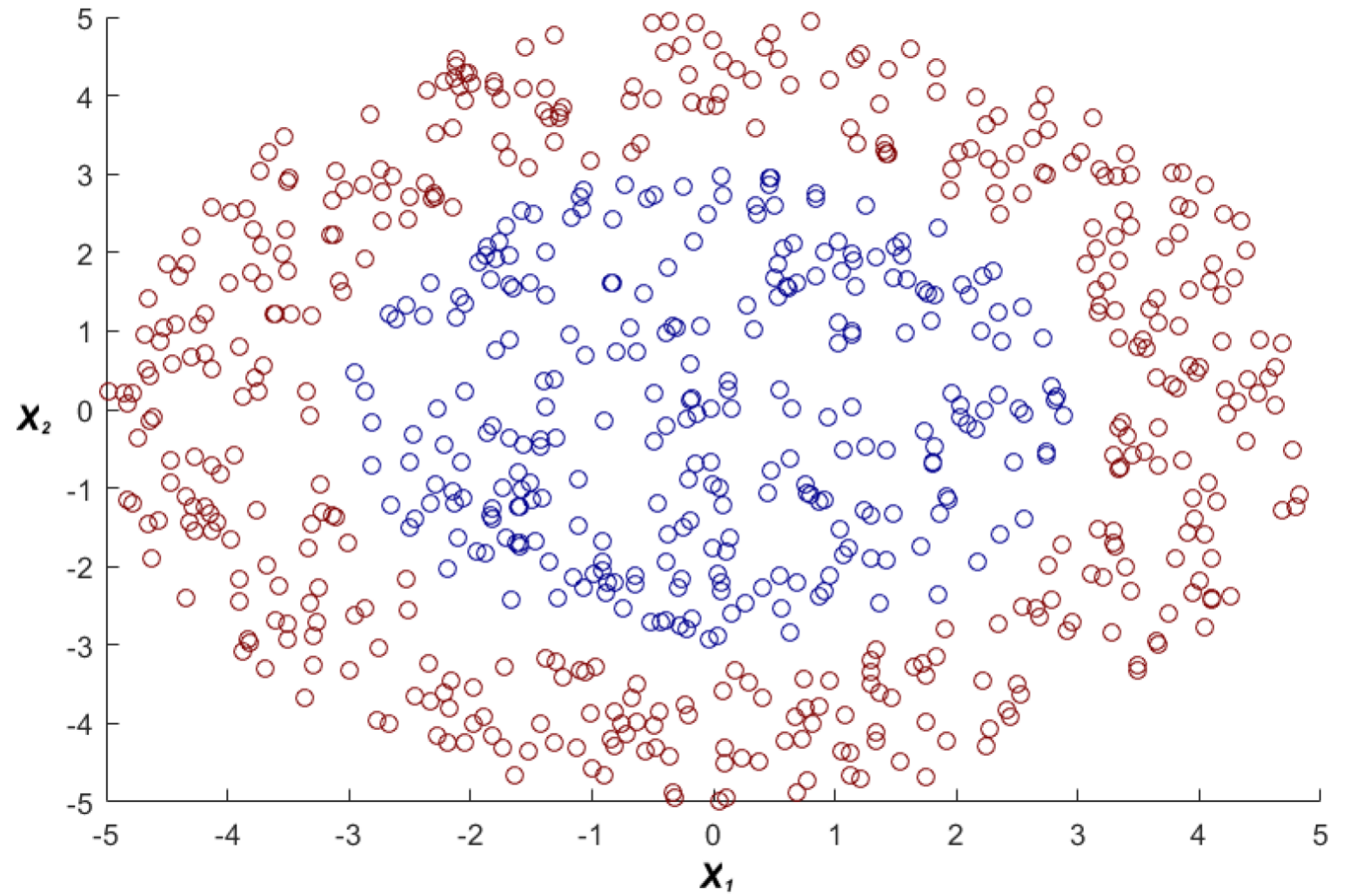
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$$x^{(n)}$$

$$x^{(n)2}$$

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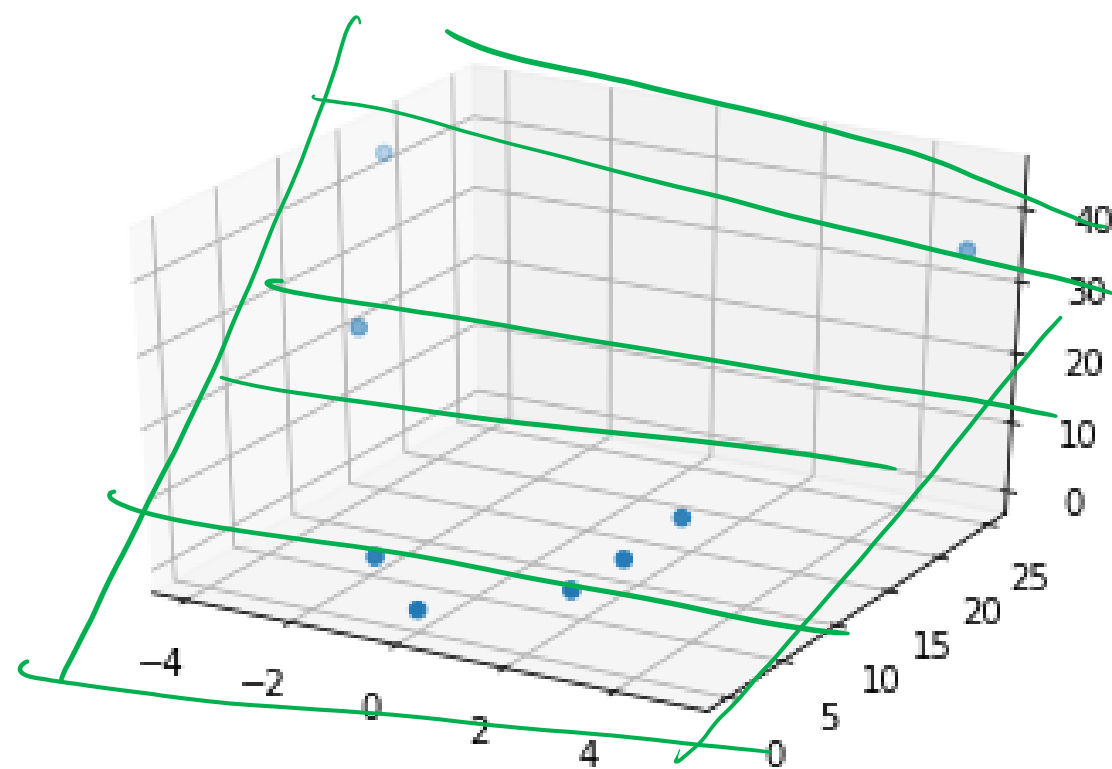
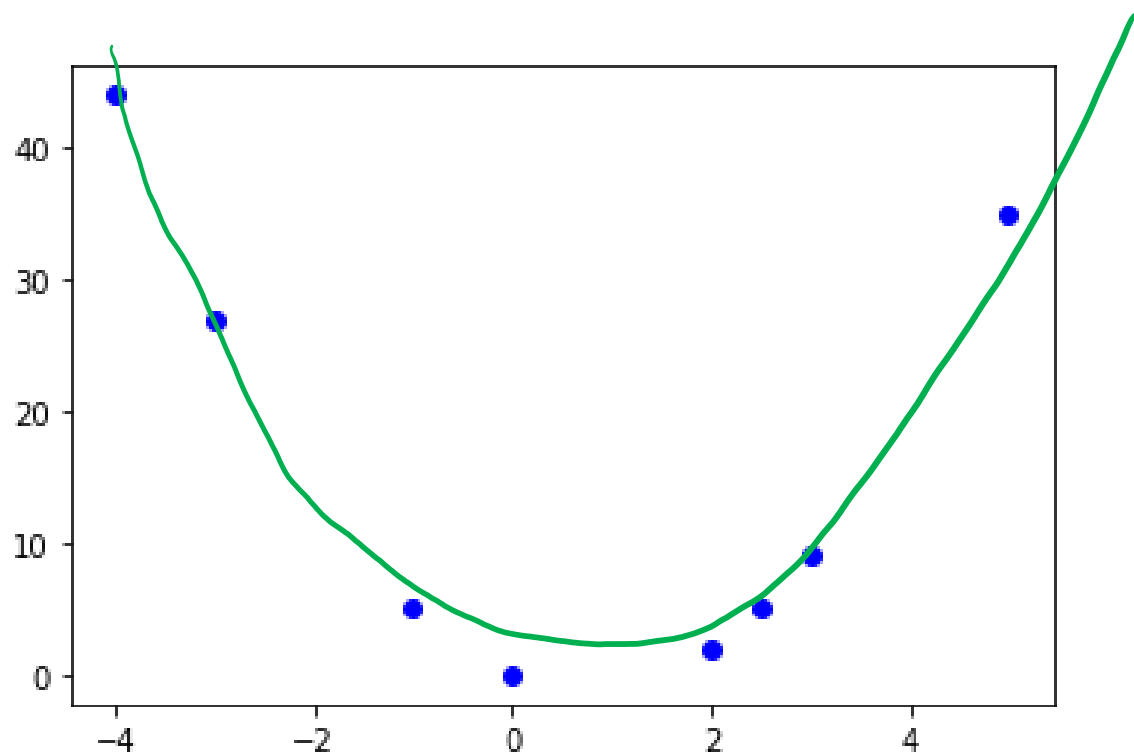
Polynomial feature map
for linear classification



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3liCbRZPrZA>

Feature Maps

Two ways to think about it

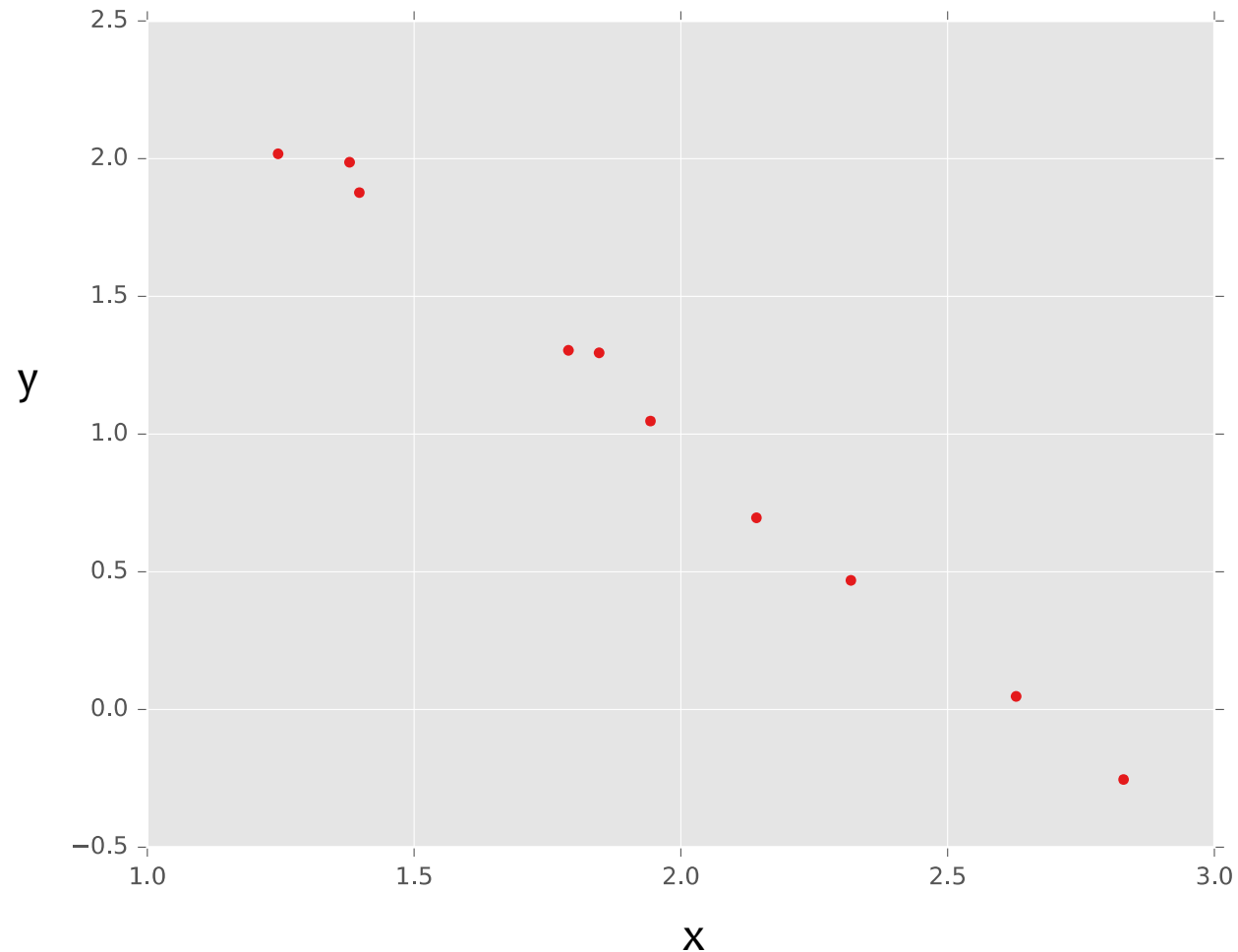


Example: Linear Regression

Goal: Learn $y = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + b$
where $\mathbf{f}(\cdot)$ is a polynomial
basis function

y	x
2.0	1.2
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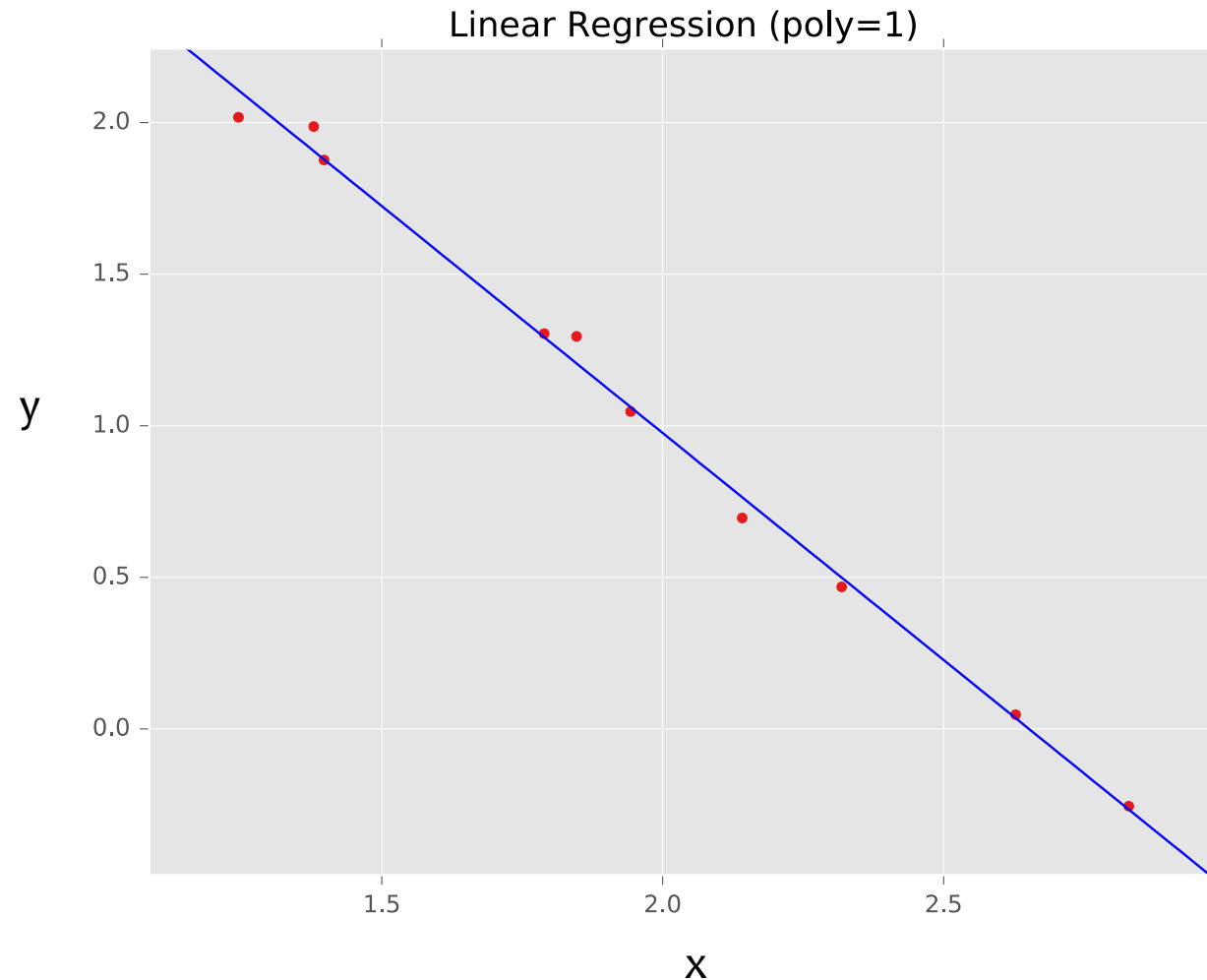


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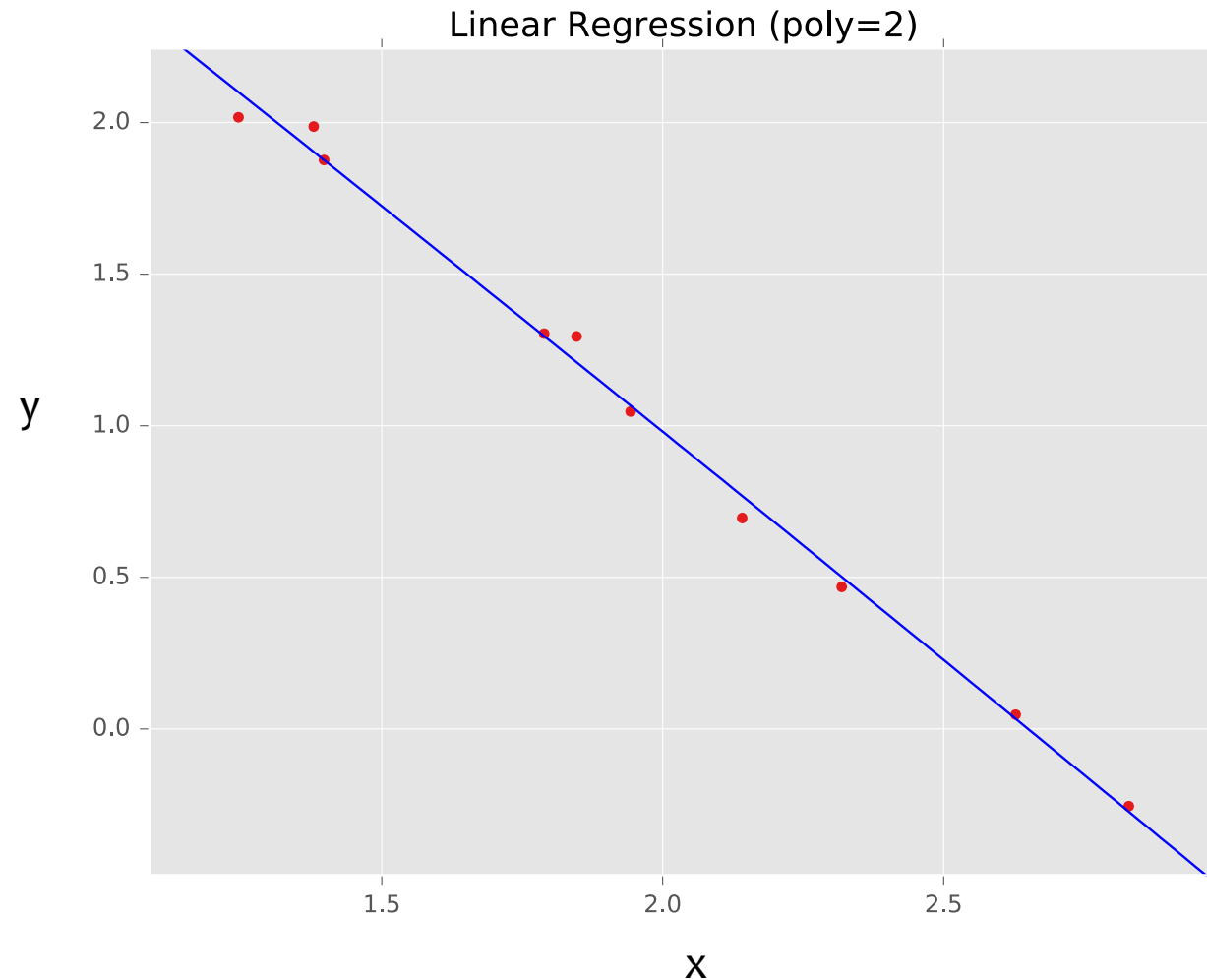


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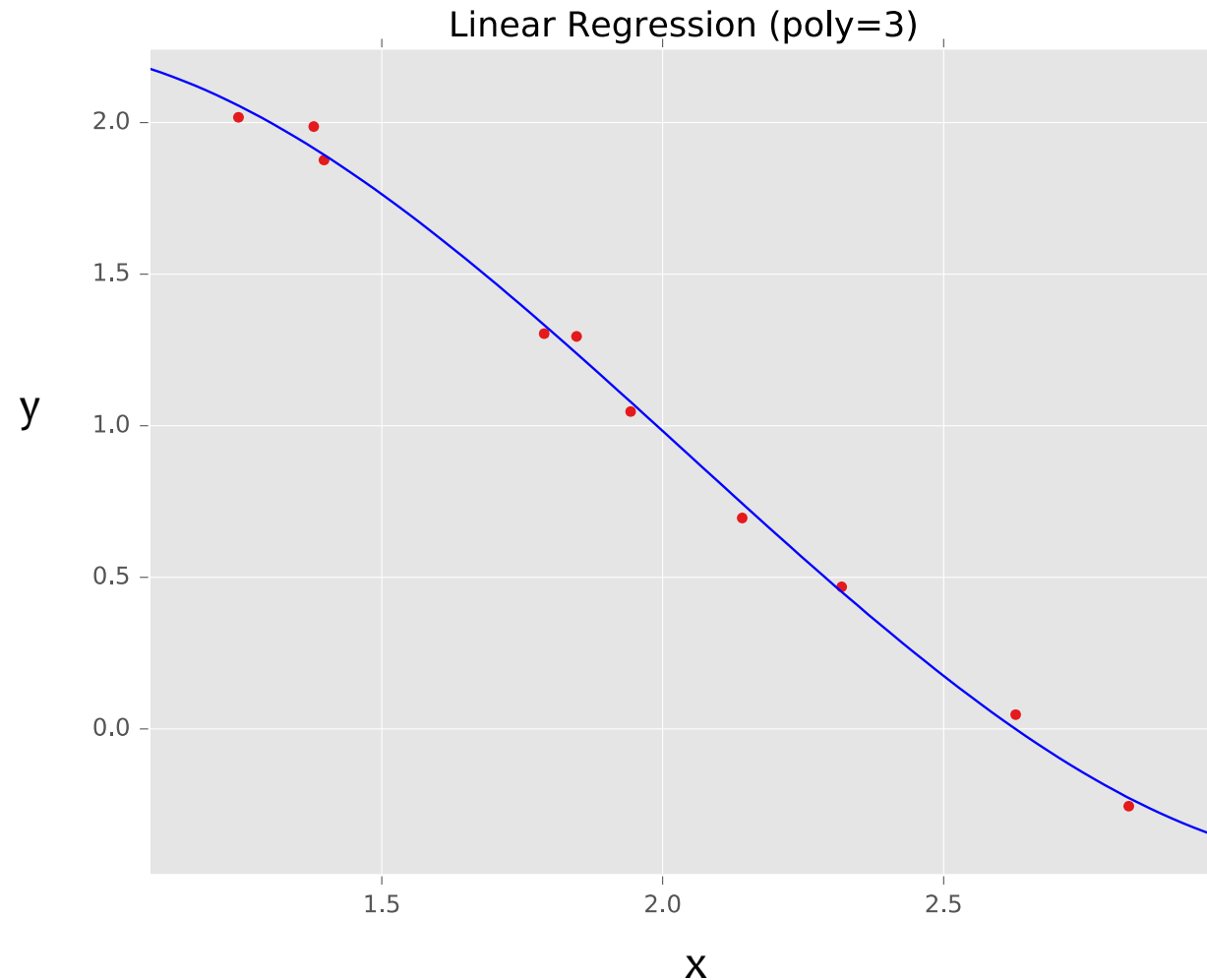


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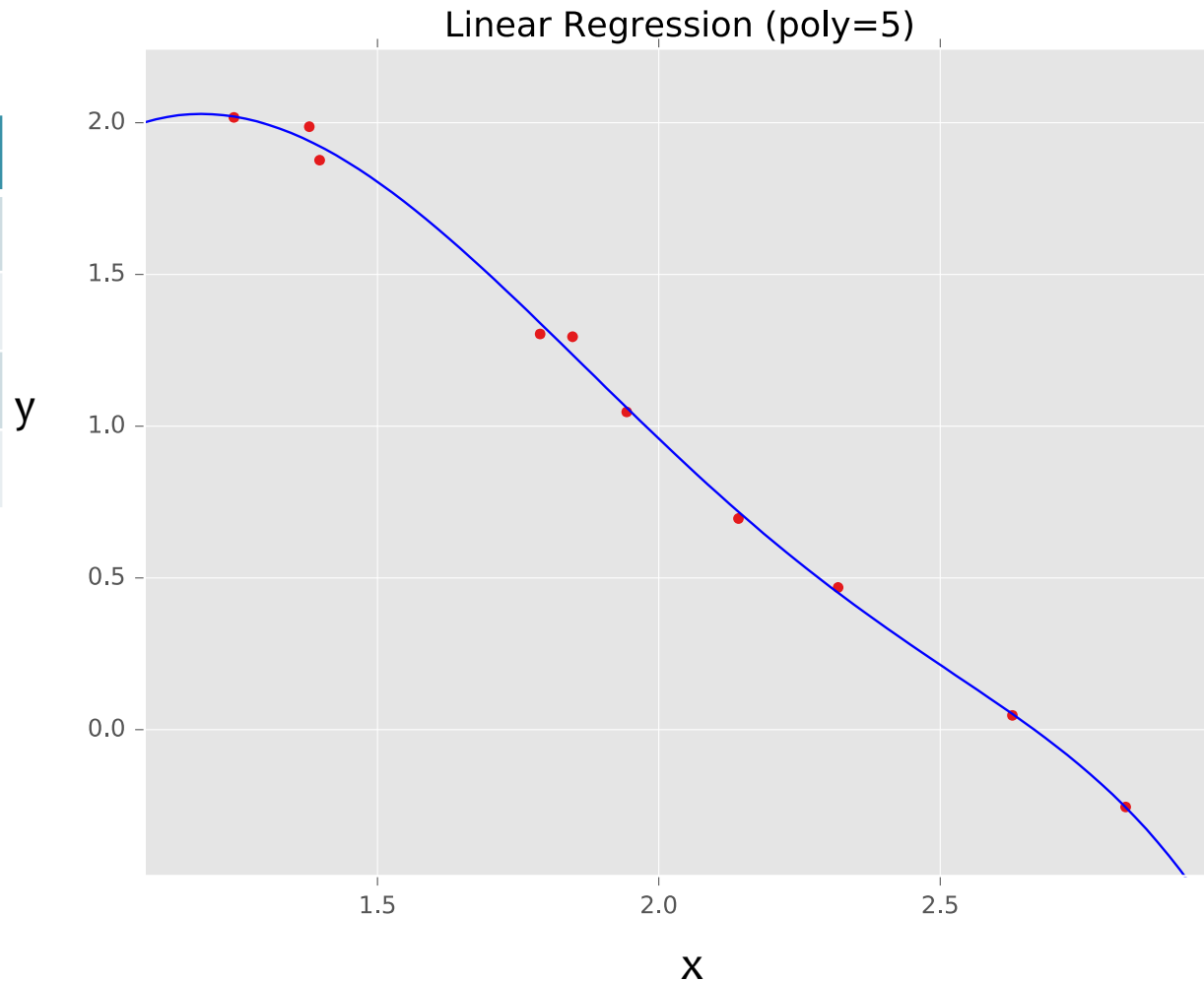


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y	x	x^2	...	x^5
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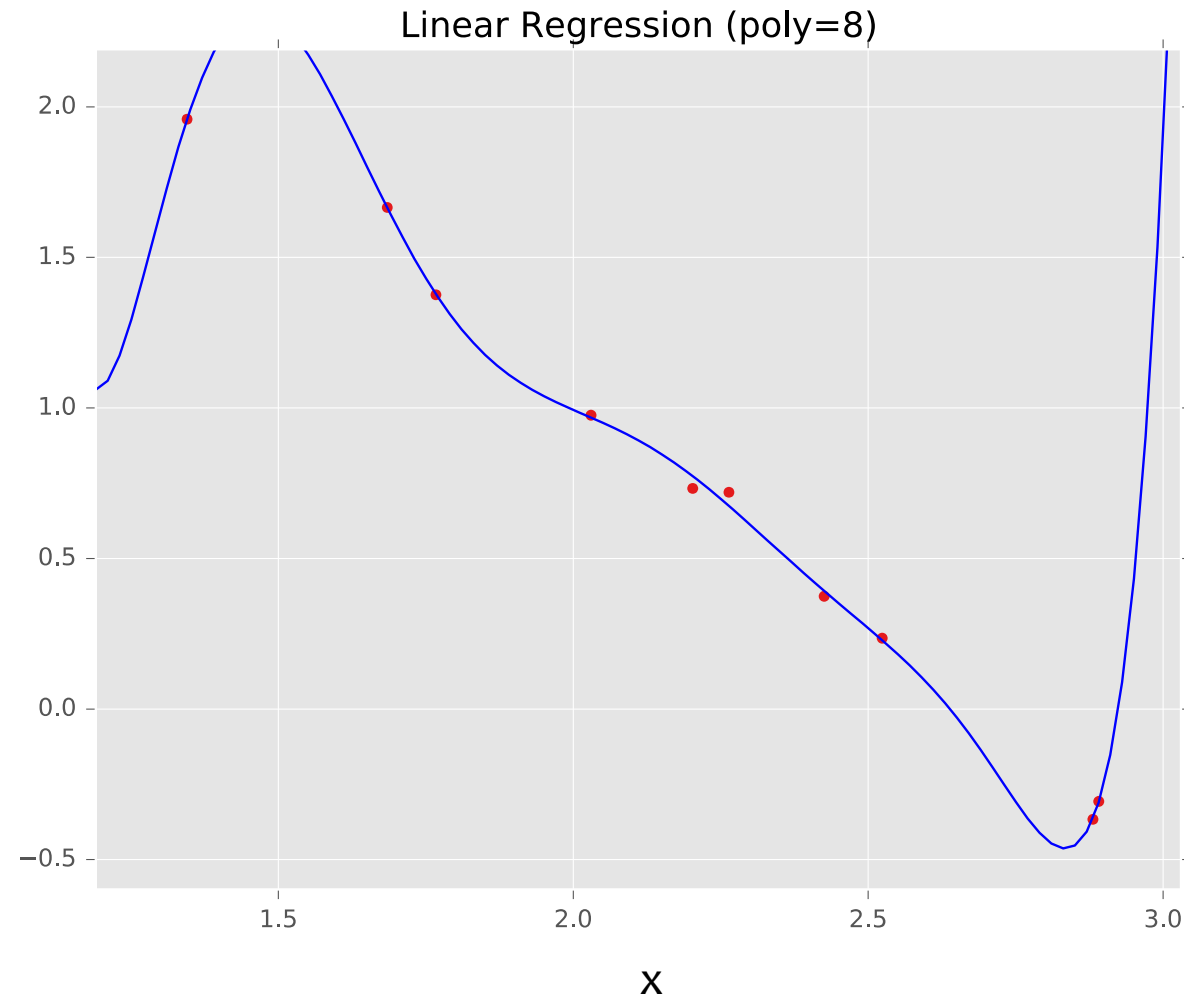


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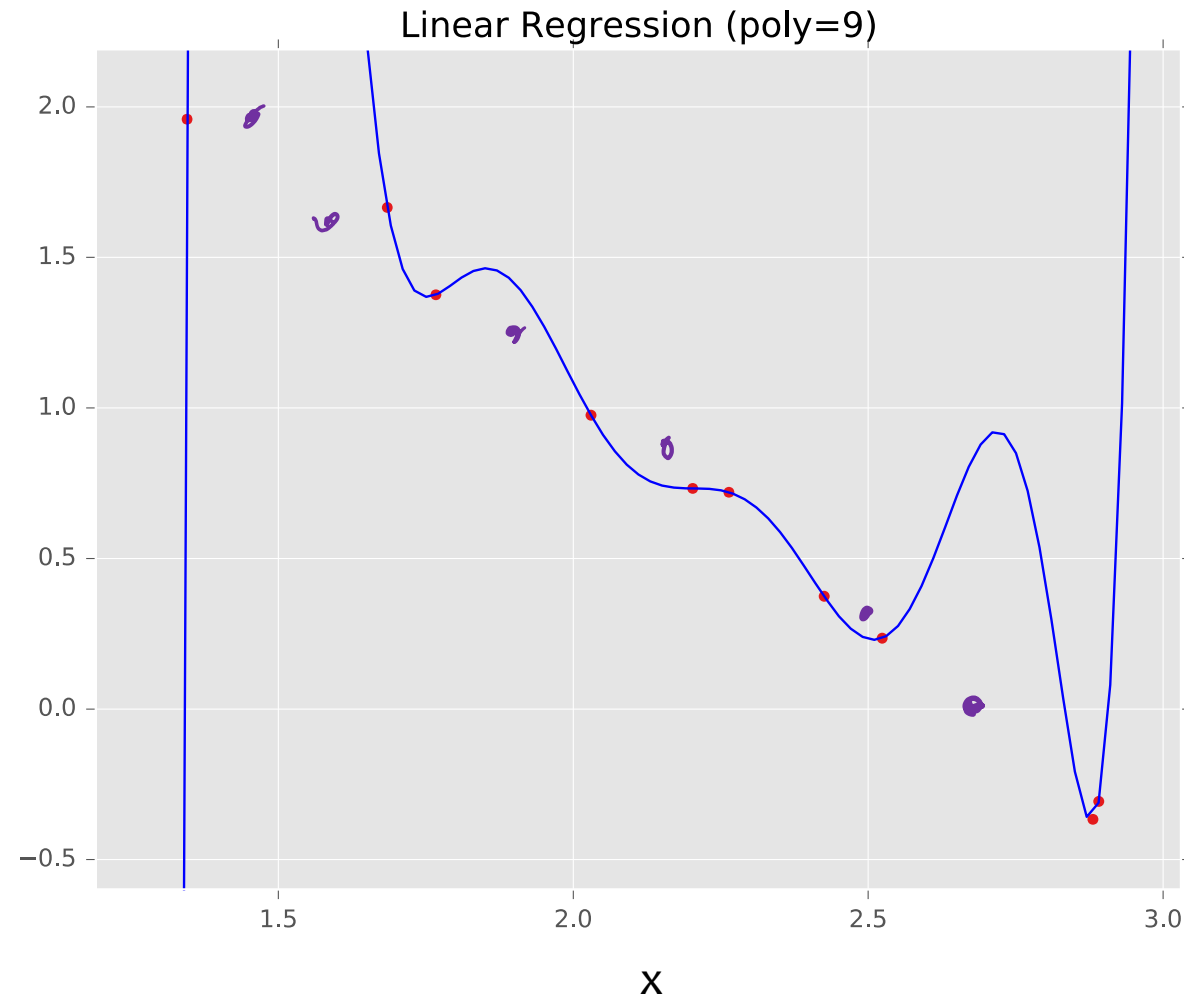


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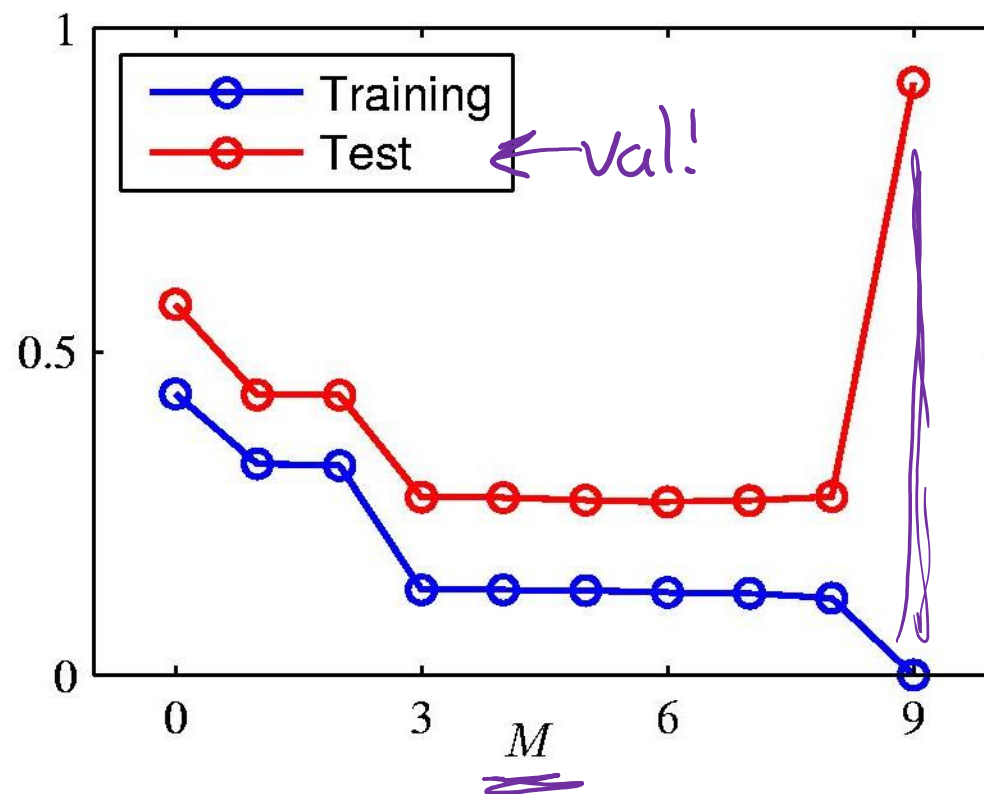
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Over-fitting



Polynomial Coefficients

	$M = 0$	$M = 1$	$M = 3$	$M = 9$
θ_0	0.19	0.82	0.31	0.35
θ_1		-1.27	7.99	232.37
θ_2			-25.43	-5321.83
θ_3			17.37	48568.31
θ_4				-231639.30
θ_5				640042.26
θ_6				-1061800.52
θ_7				1042400.18
θ_8				-557682.99
θ_9				125201.43

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...
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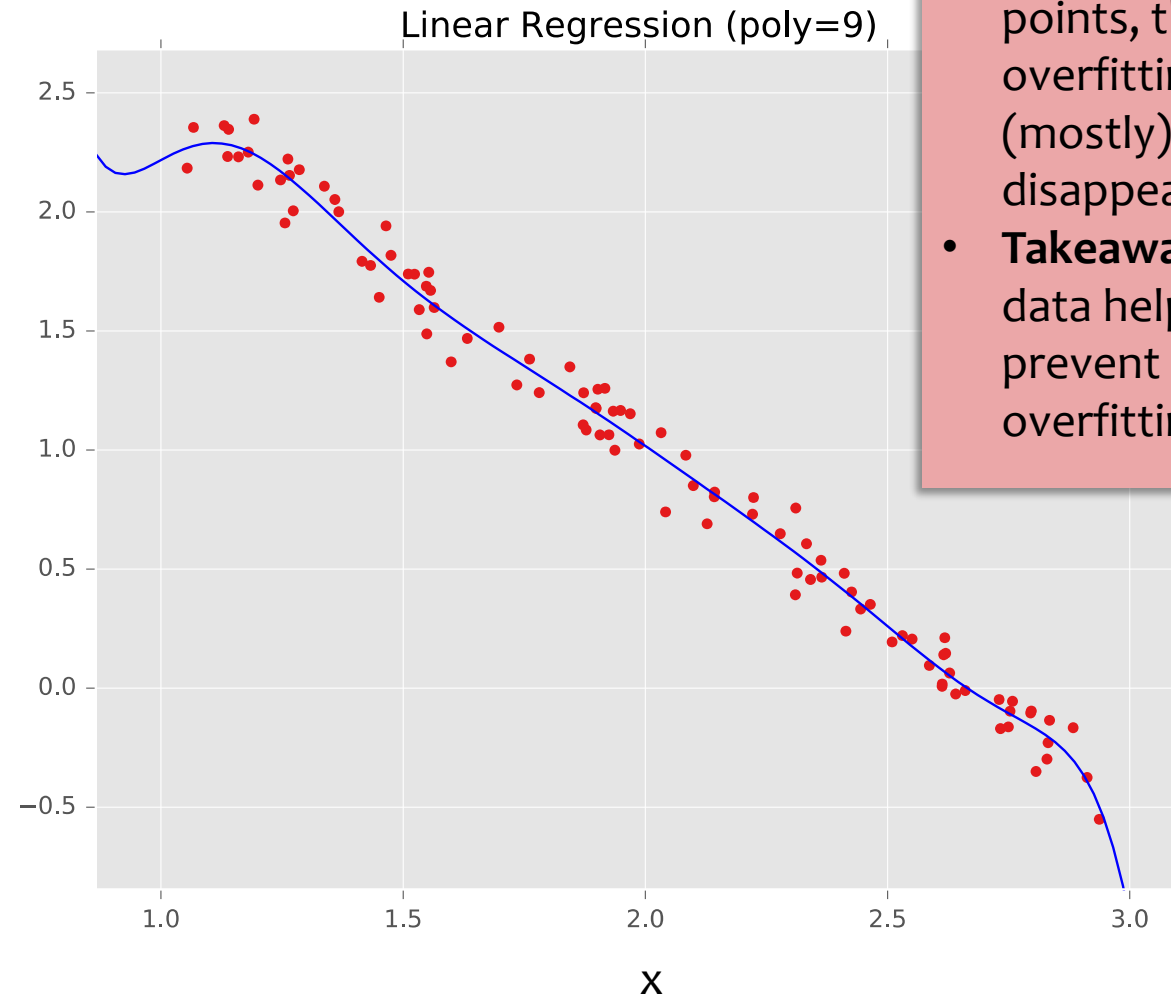


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...
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99
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REGULARIZATION

Overfitting

Definition: The problem of **overfitting** is when the model captures the noise in the training data instead of the underlying structure

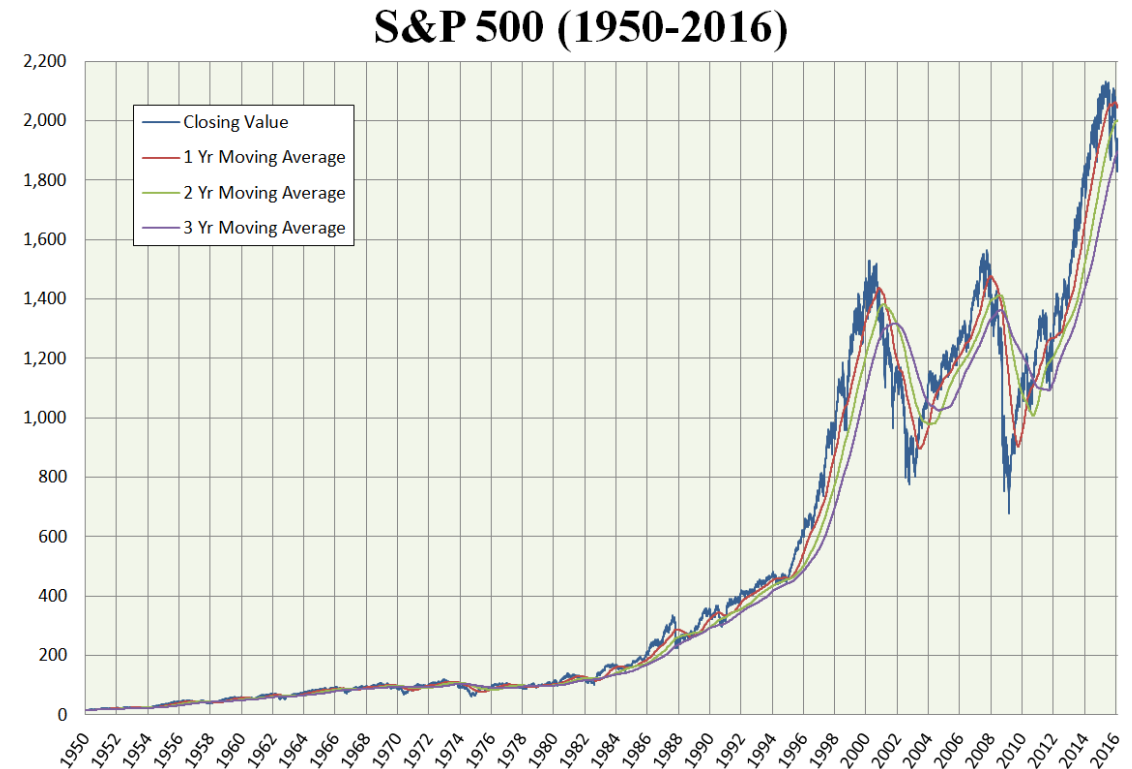
Overfitting can occur in all the models we've seen so far:

- Decision Trees (e.g. when tree is too deep)
- KNN (e.g. when k is small)
- (– Perceptron (e.g. when sample isn't representative))
- Linear Regression (e.g. with nonlinear features)
- Logistic Regression (e.g. with many rare features)

Motivation: Regularization

Example: Stock Prices

- Suppose we wish to predict Google's stock price at time $t+1$
- **What features should we use?** (putting all computational concerns aside)
 - Stock prices of all other stocks at times $t, t-1, t-2, \dots, t-k$
 - Mentions of Google with positive / negative sentiment words in all newspapers and social media outlets
- Do we believe that **all** of these features are going to be useful?



Motivation: Regularization

Occam's Razor: prefer the simplest hypothesis

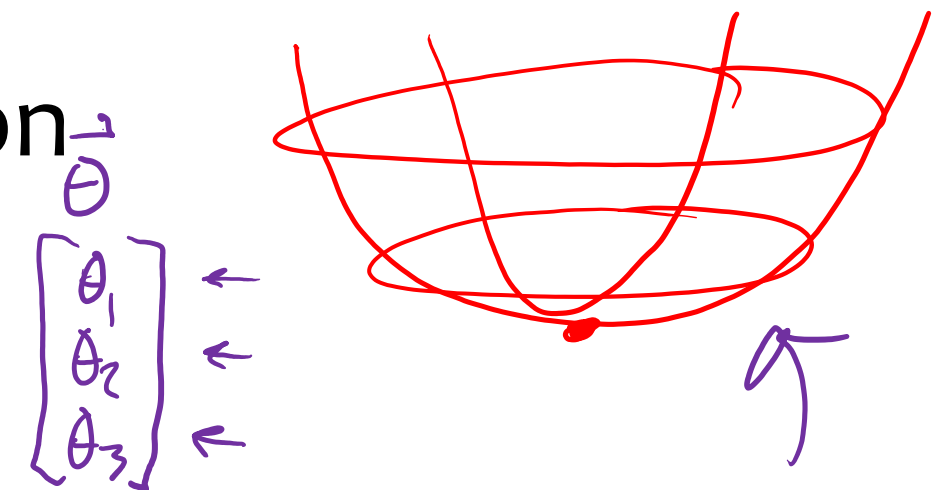
What does it mean for a hypothesis (or model) to be **simple**?

1. small number of features (**model selection**)
2. small number of “important” features (**shrinkage**)

Regularization

Given objective function: $J(\theta)$

Goal is to find: $\hat{\theta} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underbrace{J(\theta)} + \lambda \underbrace{r(\theta)}$



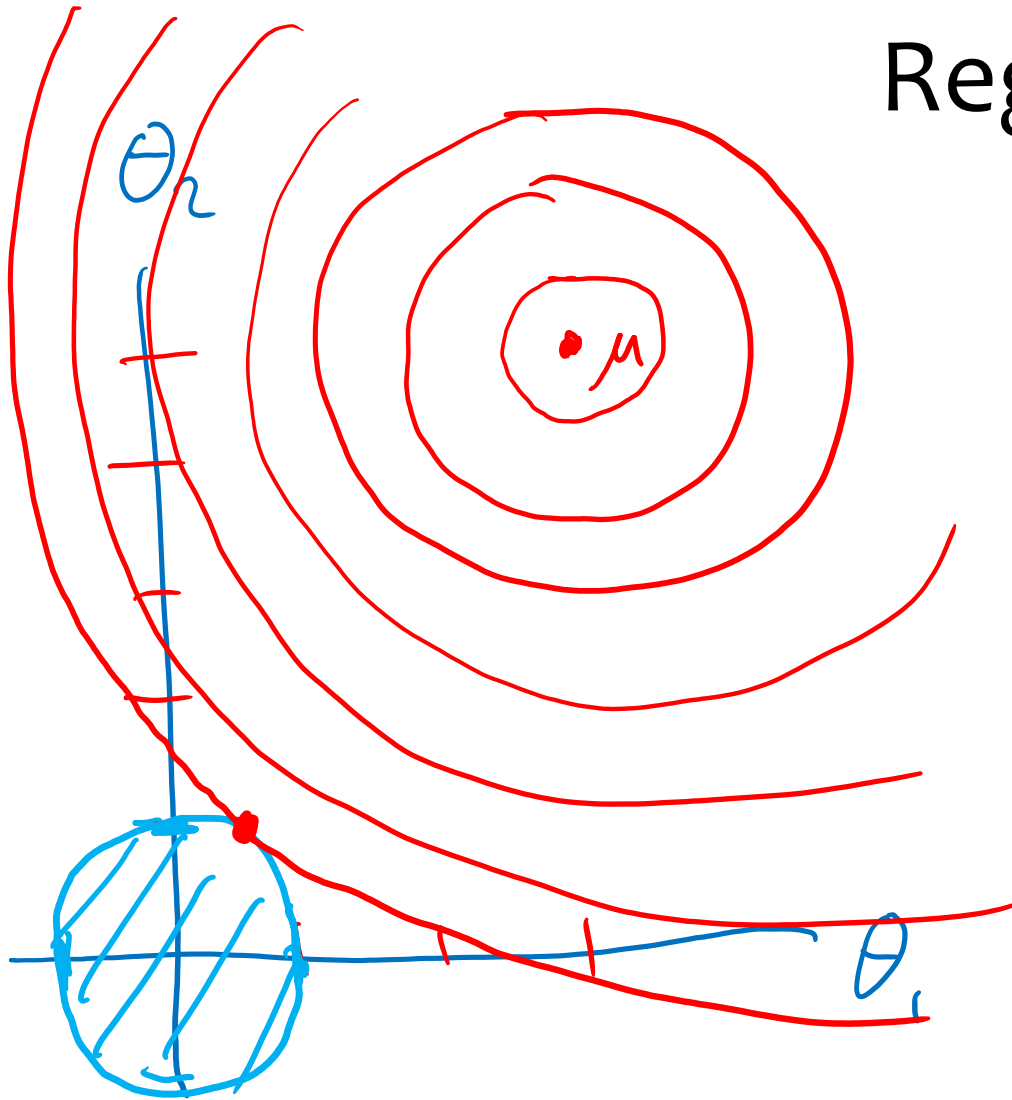
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Choose form of $r(\theta)$:

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\perp 2	$(\ \theta\ _2)^2 = \sum \theta_m^2$	small values	L2 reg.	differentiable \leftarrow

Regularization



$$J(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \|\bar{\theta} - \vec{\mu}\| \quad \mu = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\min_{\theta} J(\theta_1, \theta_2)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \|\theta\|_2 \leq 1$$

Piazza Poll 1

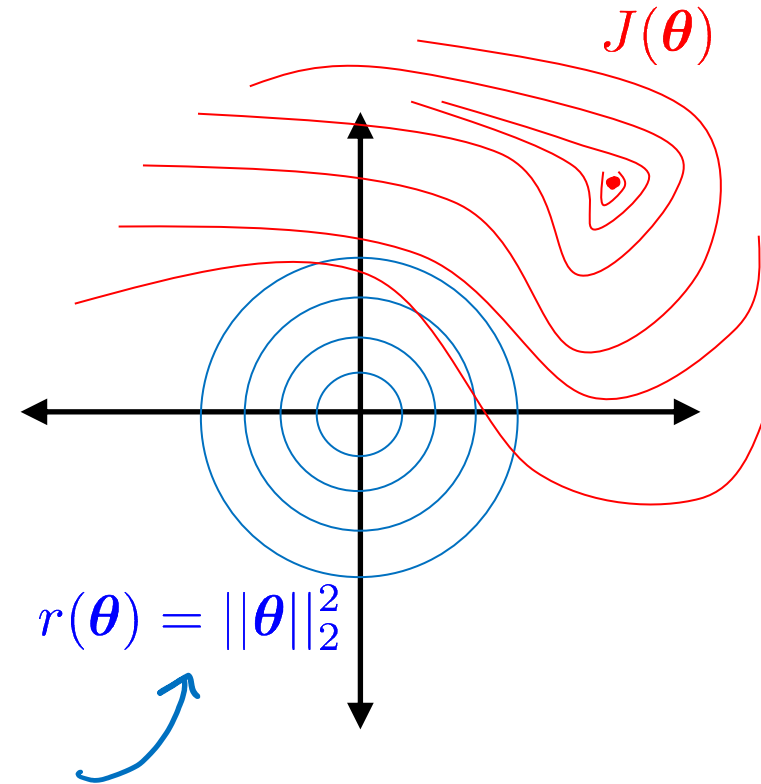
Question:

Suppose we are minimizing $J'(\theta)$ where

$$J'(\theta) = J(\theta) + \lambda r(\theta) \leftarrow$$

As λ increases, the minimum of $J'(\theta)$ will...

- A. ...move towards the midpoint between $J'(\theta)$ and $r(\theta)$
- B. ...move towards the minimum of $J(\theta)$
- ☒ C. ...move towards the minimum of $r(\theta)$
- D. ...move towards a theta vector of positive infinities
- E. ...move towards a theta vector of negative infinities
- F. ...stay the same



Regularization Exercise

In-class Exercise

1. Plot train error vs. regularization weight (cartoon)
2. Plot test error vs. regularization weight (cartoon)



$$\hat{\theta} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta} J(\theta) + \lambda r(\theta)$$

Piazza Poll 2

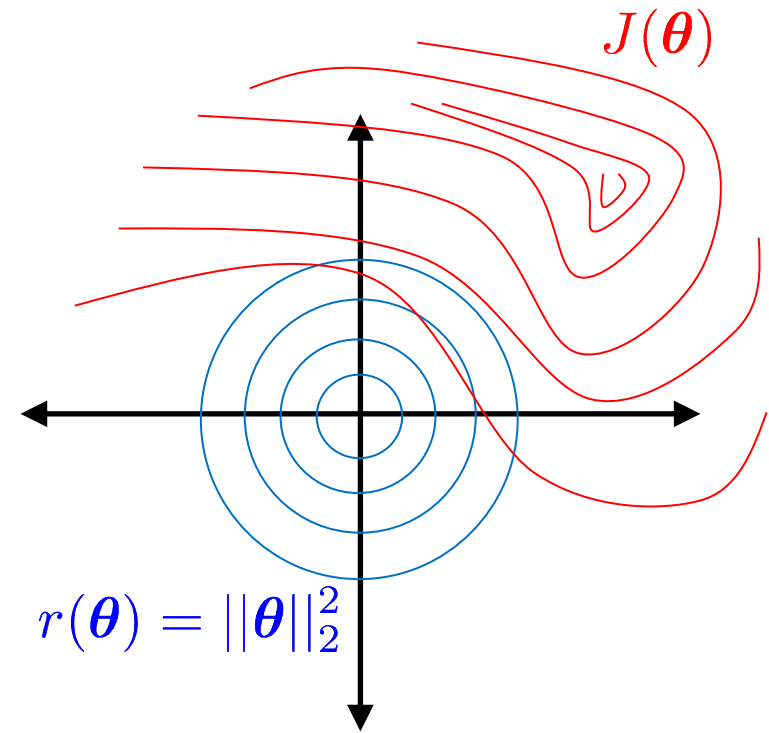
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As we increase λ from 0, the the validation error will...

- A. ...increase
- B. ...decrease
- C. ...first increase, then decrease
- D. ...first decrease, then increase
- E. ...stay the same



Regularization

Don't Regularize the Bias (Intercept) Parameter!

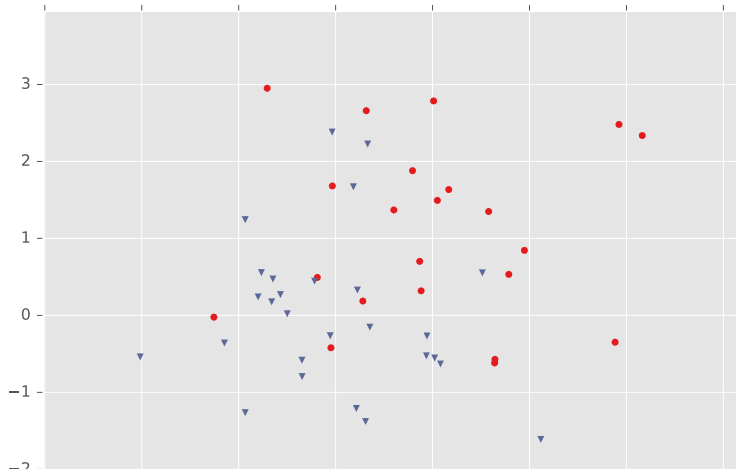
- In our models so far, the bias / intercept parameter is usually denoted by θ_0 -- that is, the parameter for which we fixed $x_0 = 1$
- Regularizers always avoid penalizing this bias / intercept parameter
- Why? Because otherwise the learning algorithms wouldn't be invariant to a shift in the y-values

Whitening Data

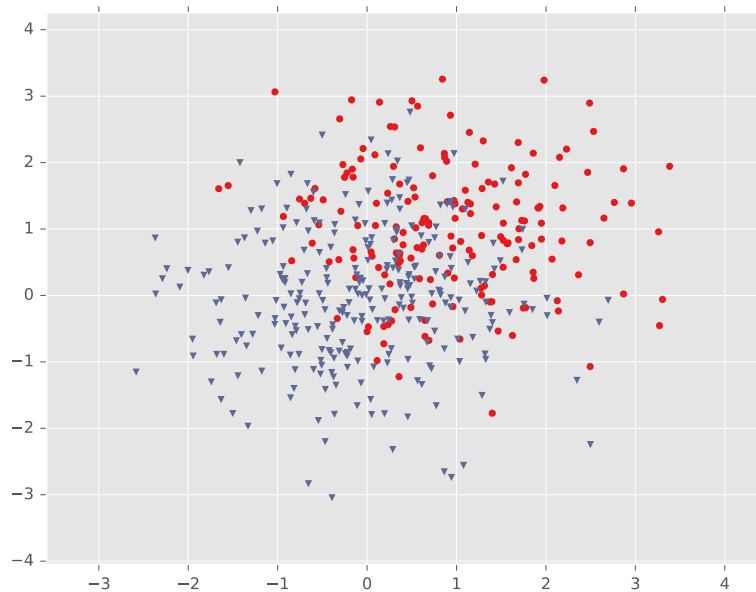
- It's common to *whiten* each feature by subtracting its mean and dividing by its variance
- For regularization, this helps all the features be penalized in the same units
(e.g. convert both centimeters and kilometers to z-scores)

Example: Logistic Regression

Training
Data

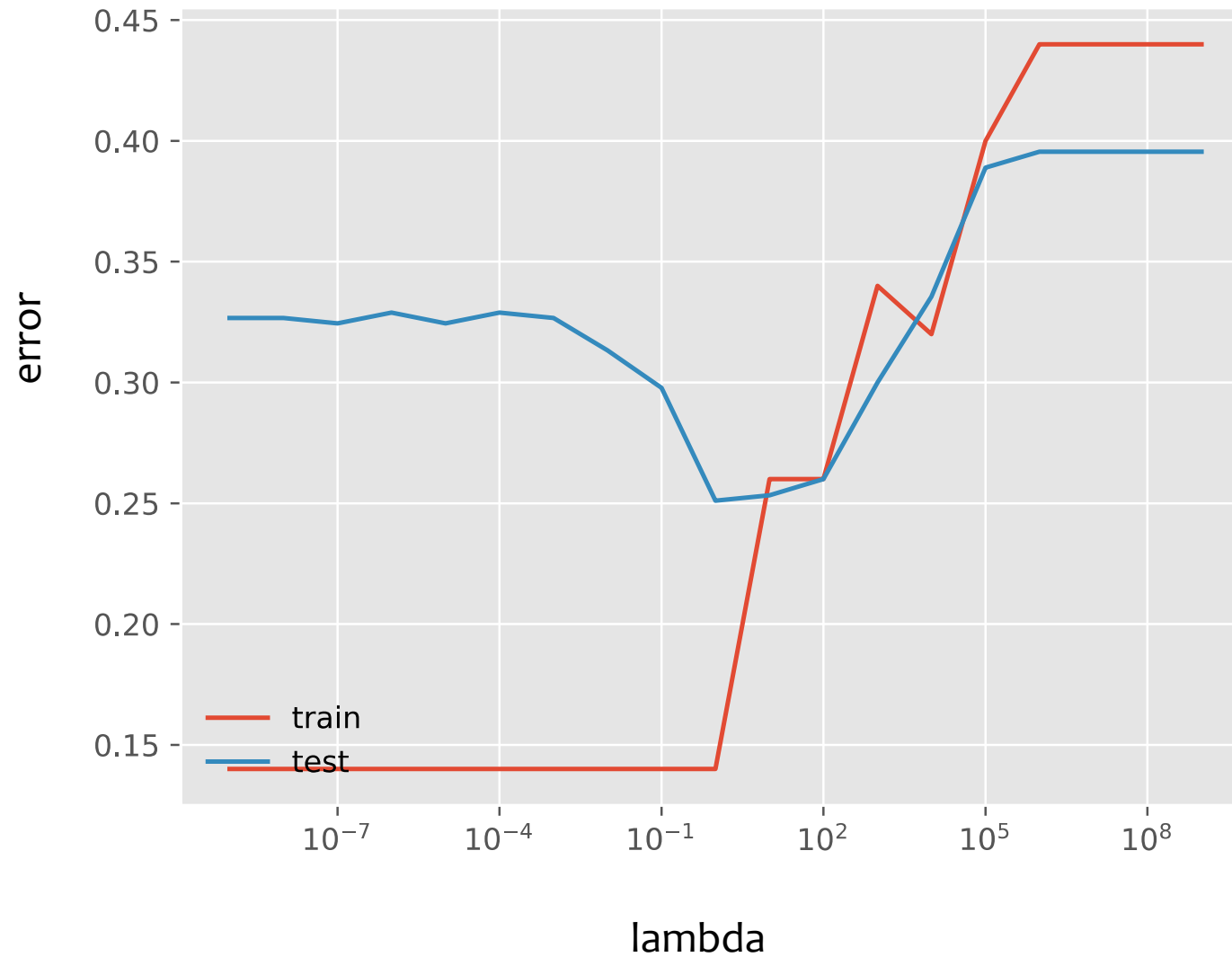


Test
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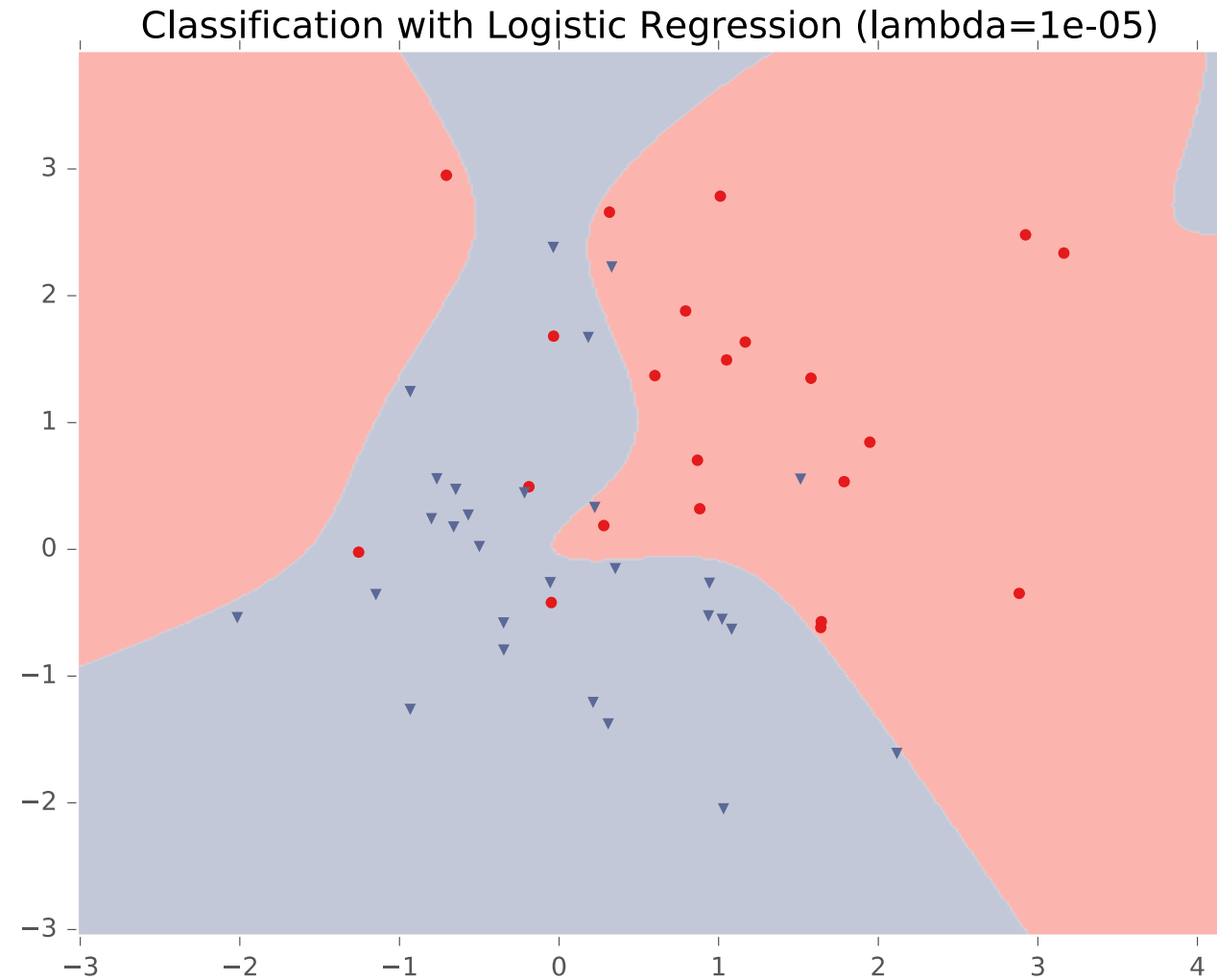


- For this example, we construct **nonlinear features** (i.e. feature engineering)
- Specifically, we add **polynomials up to order 9** of the two original features x_1 and x_2
- Thus our classifier is **linear** in the **high-dimensional feature space**, but the decision boundary is **nonlinear** when visualized in **low-dimensions** (i.e. the original two dimensions)

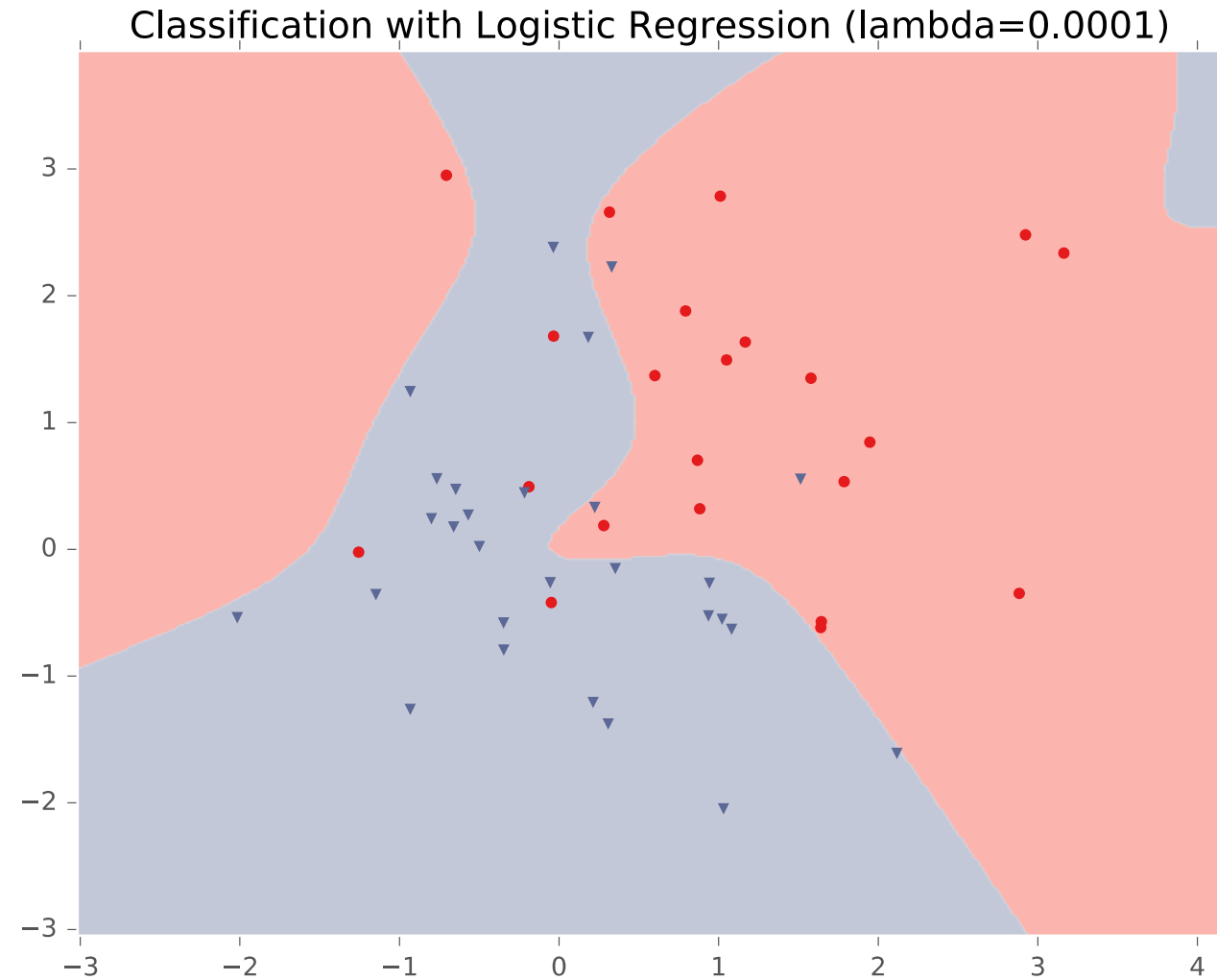
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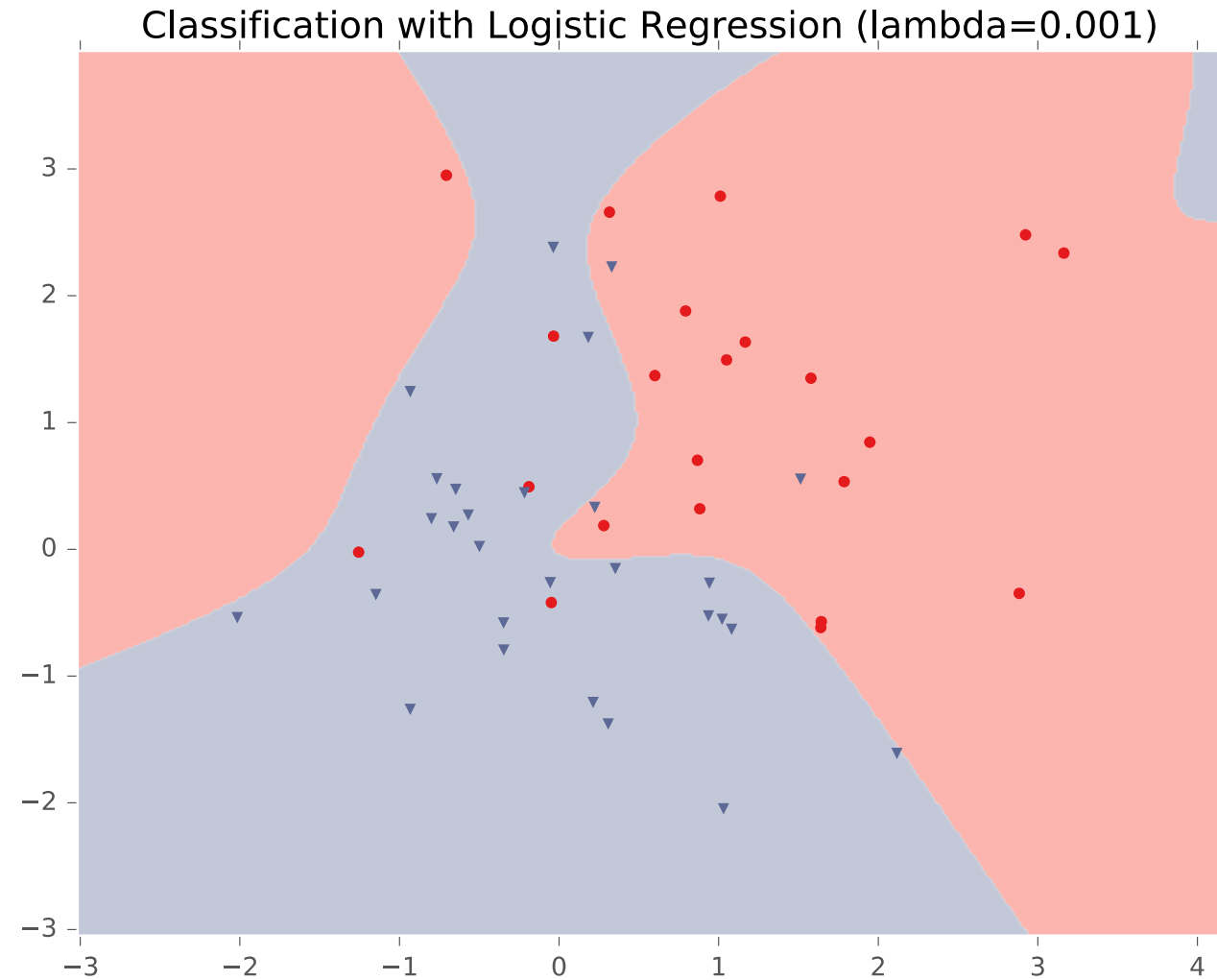
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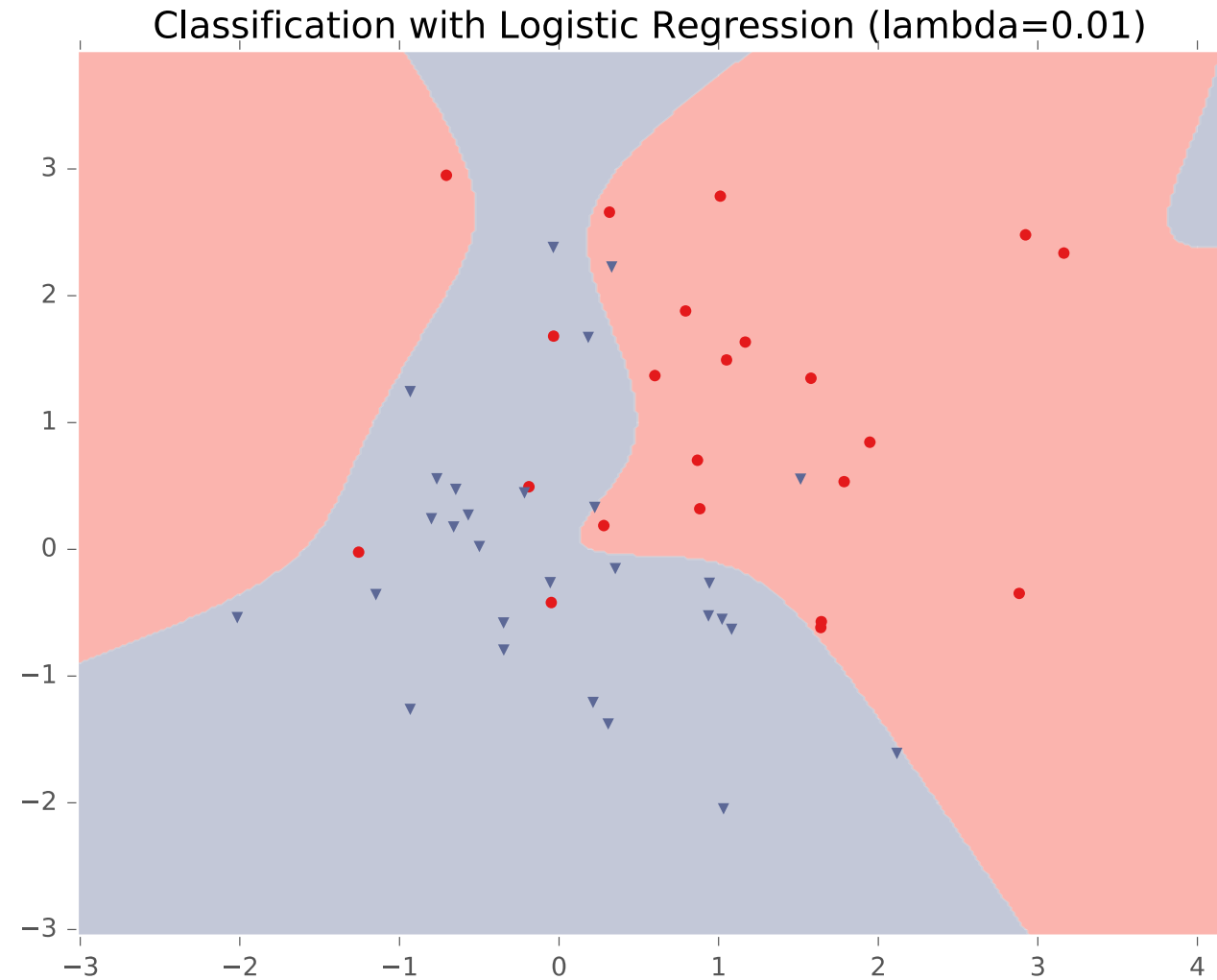
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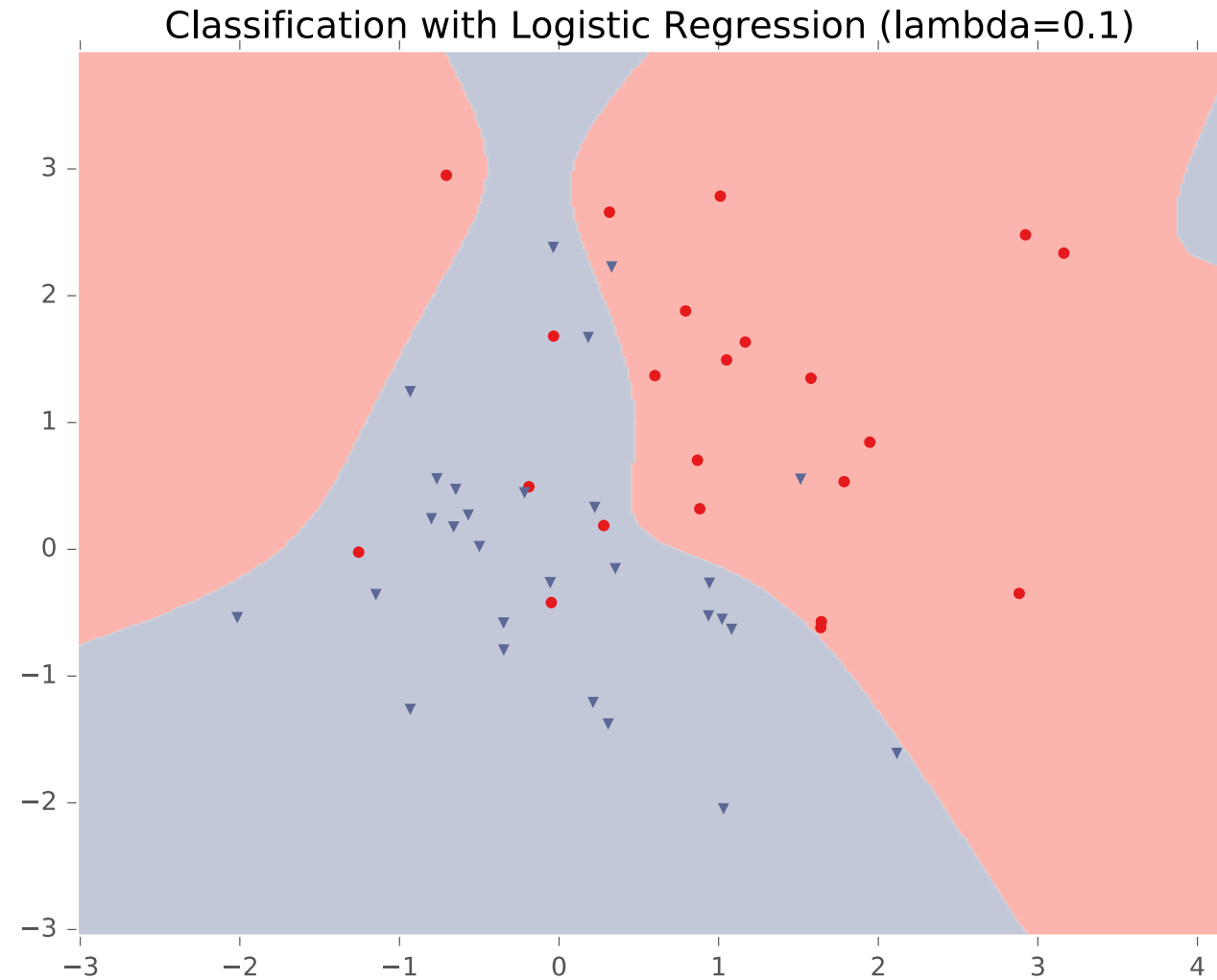
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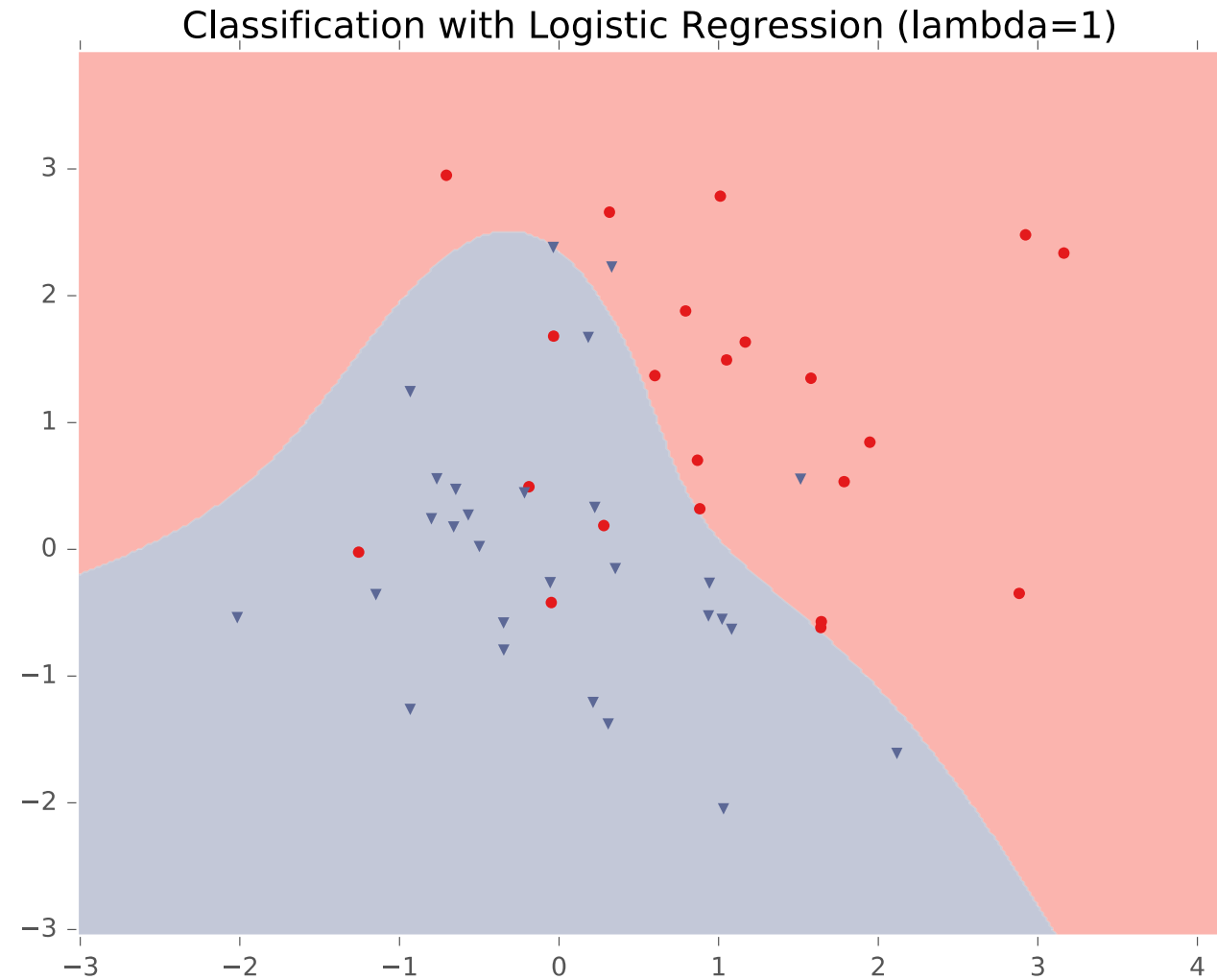
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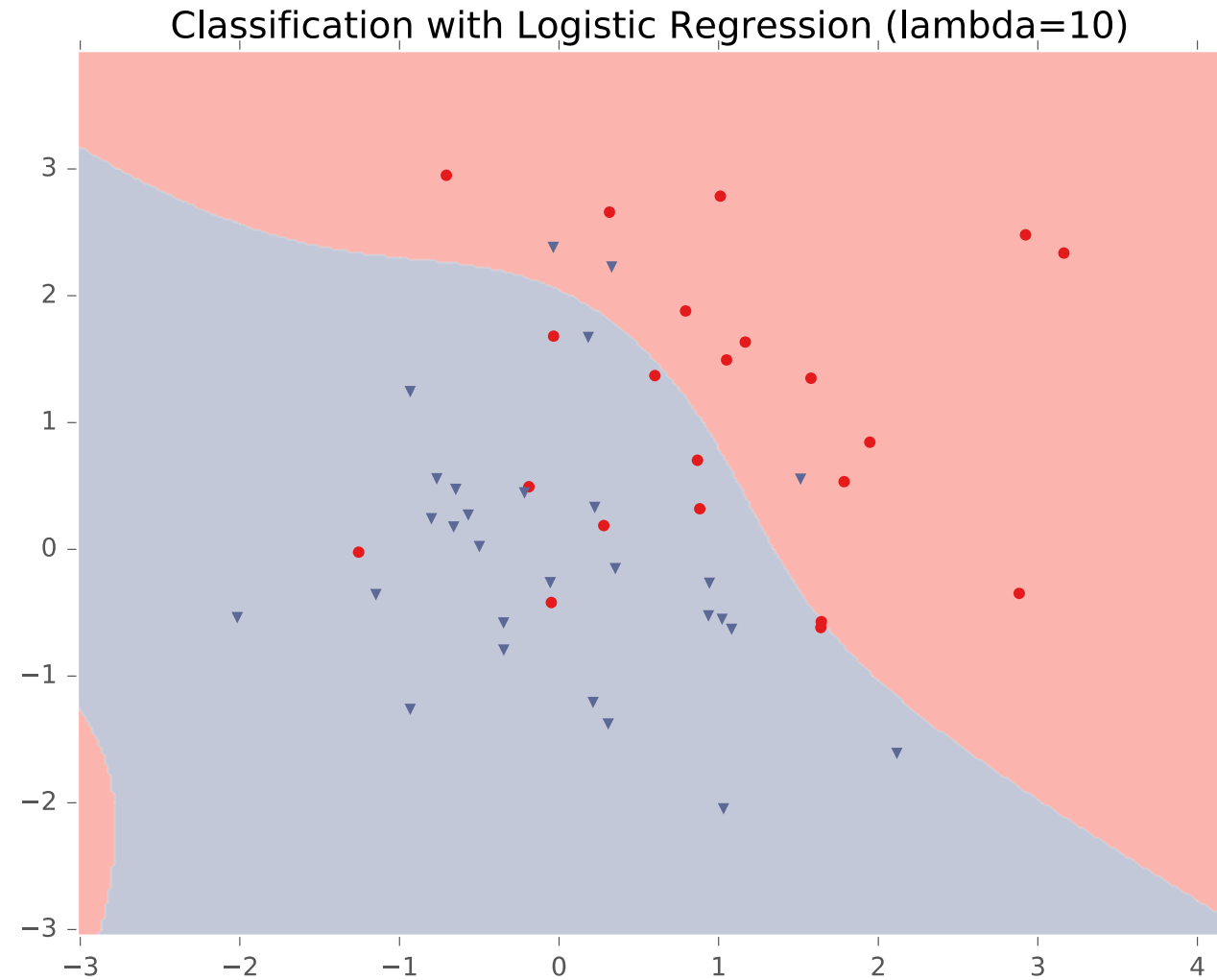
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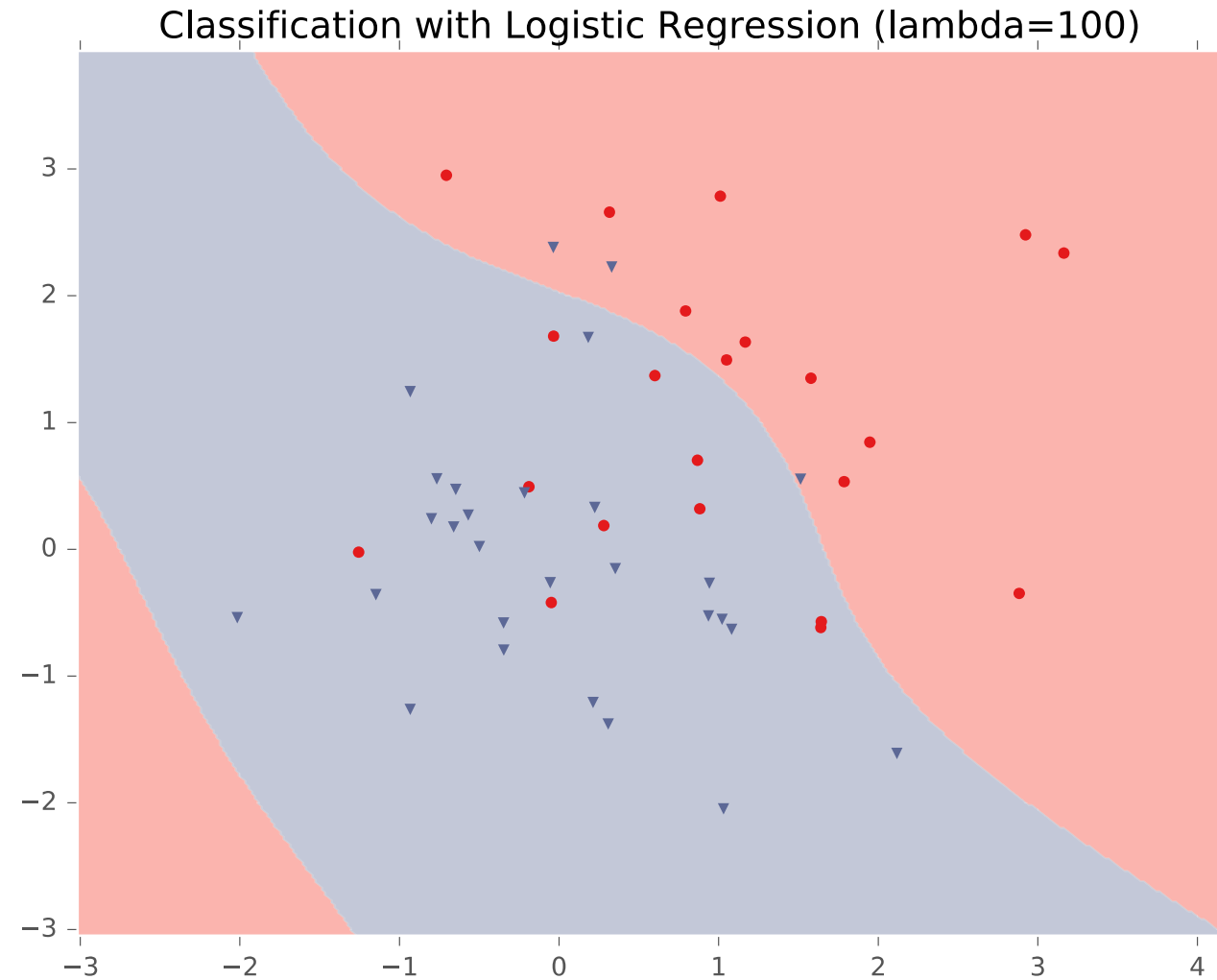
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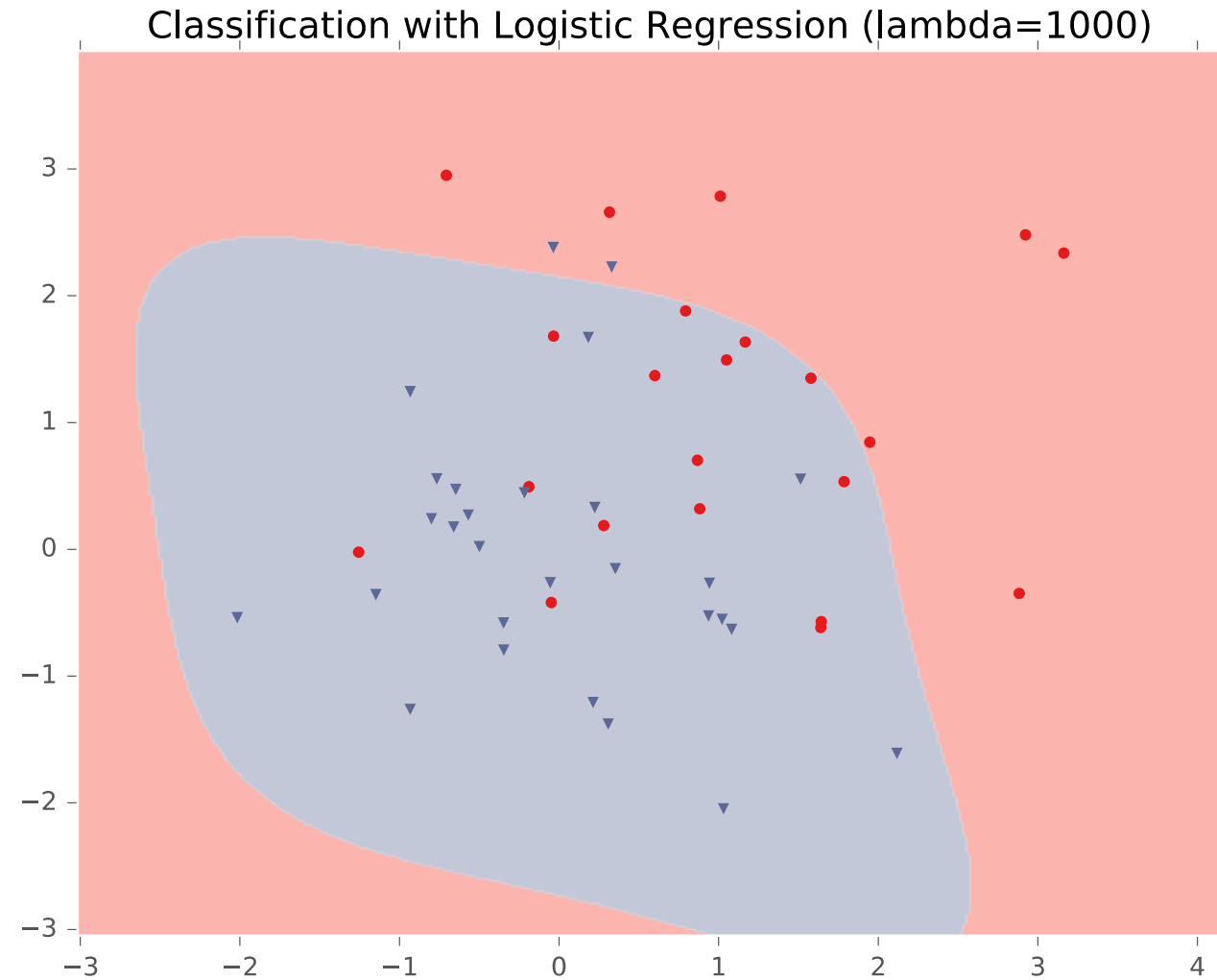
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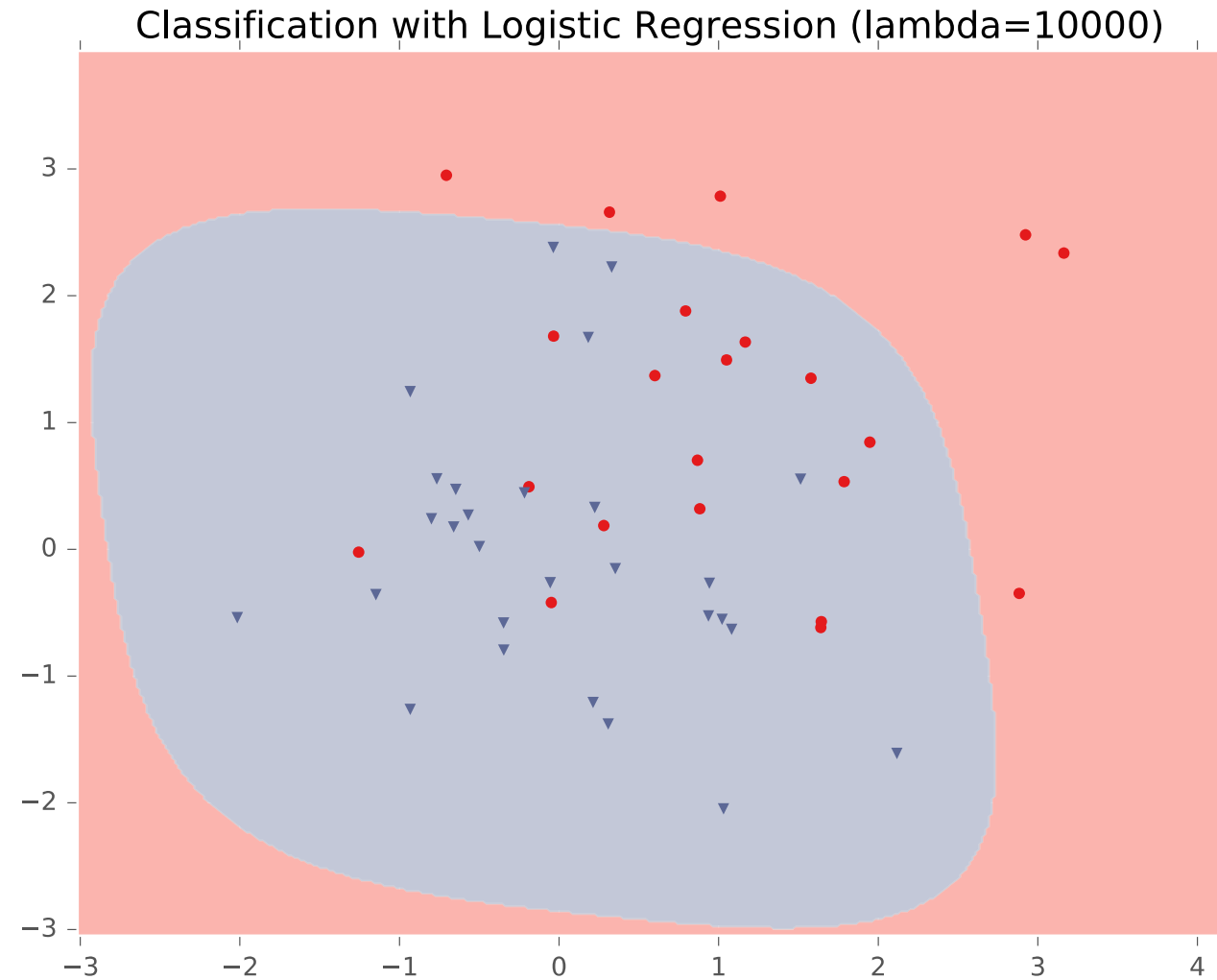
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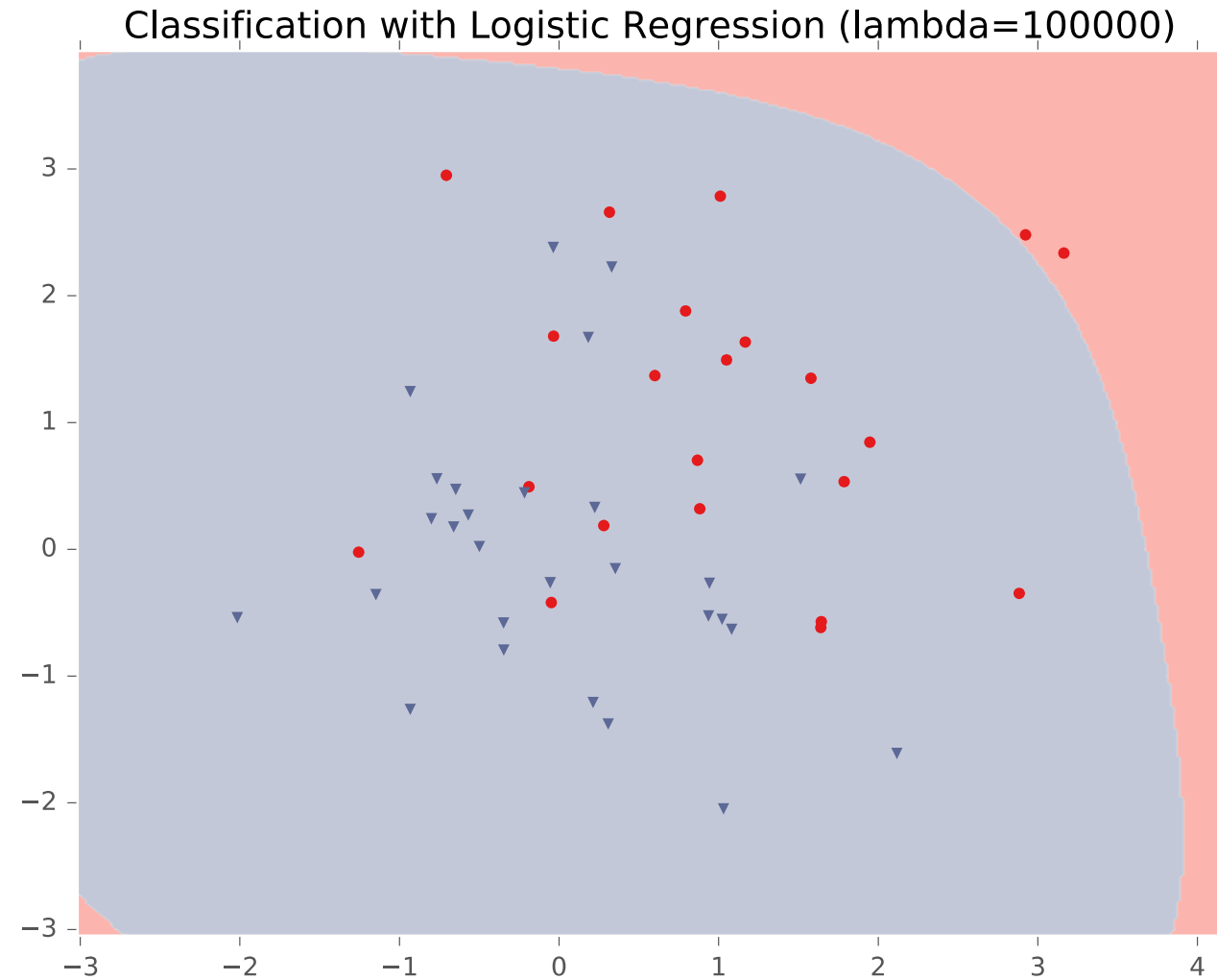
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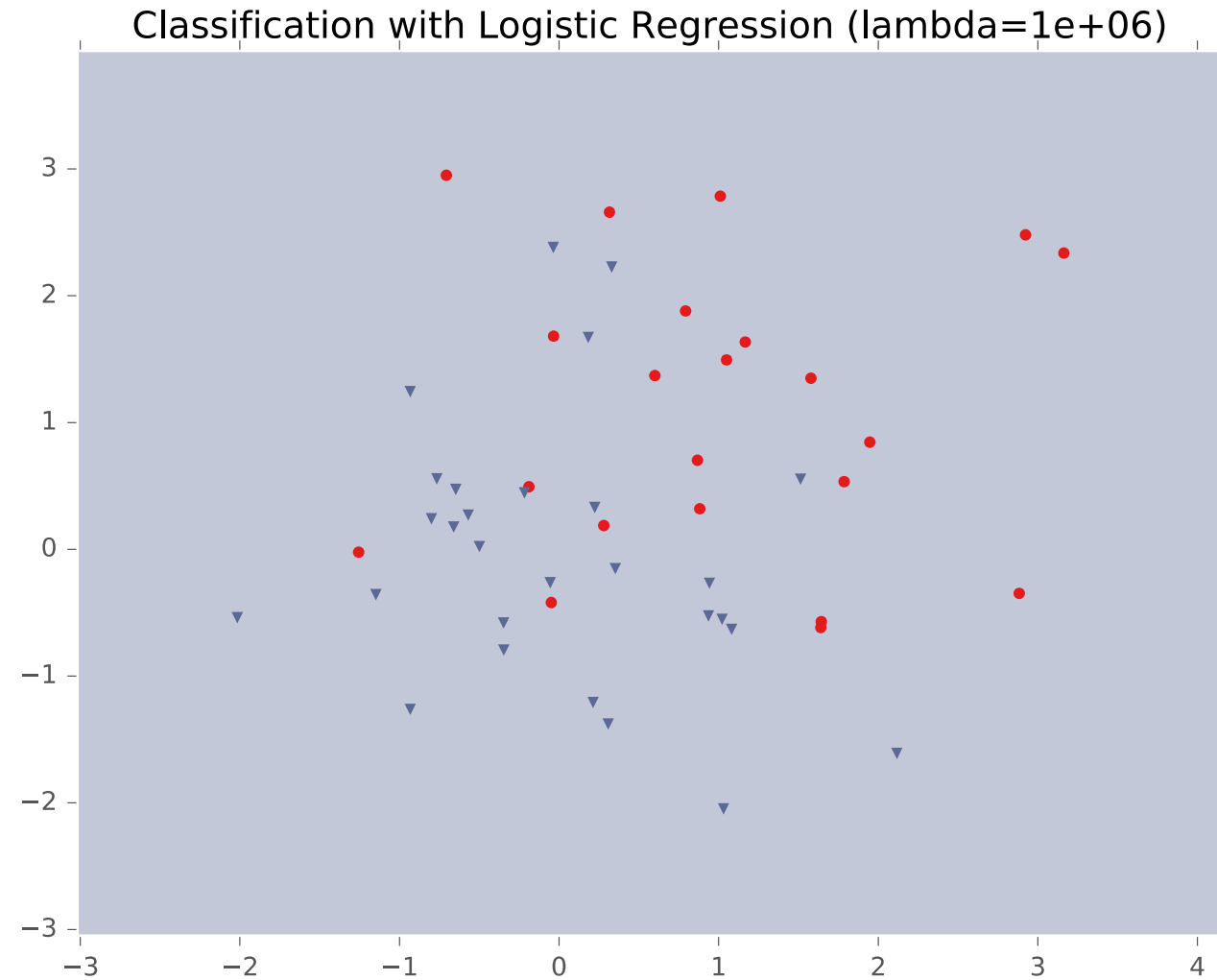
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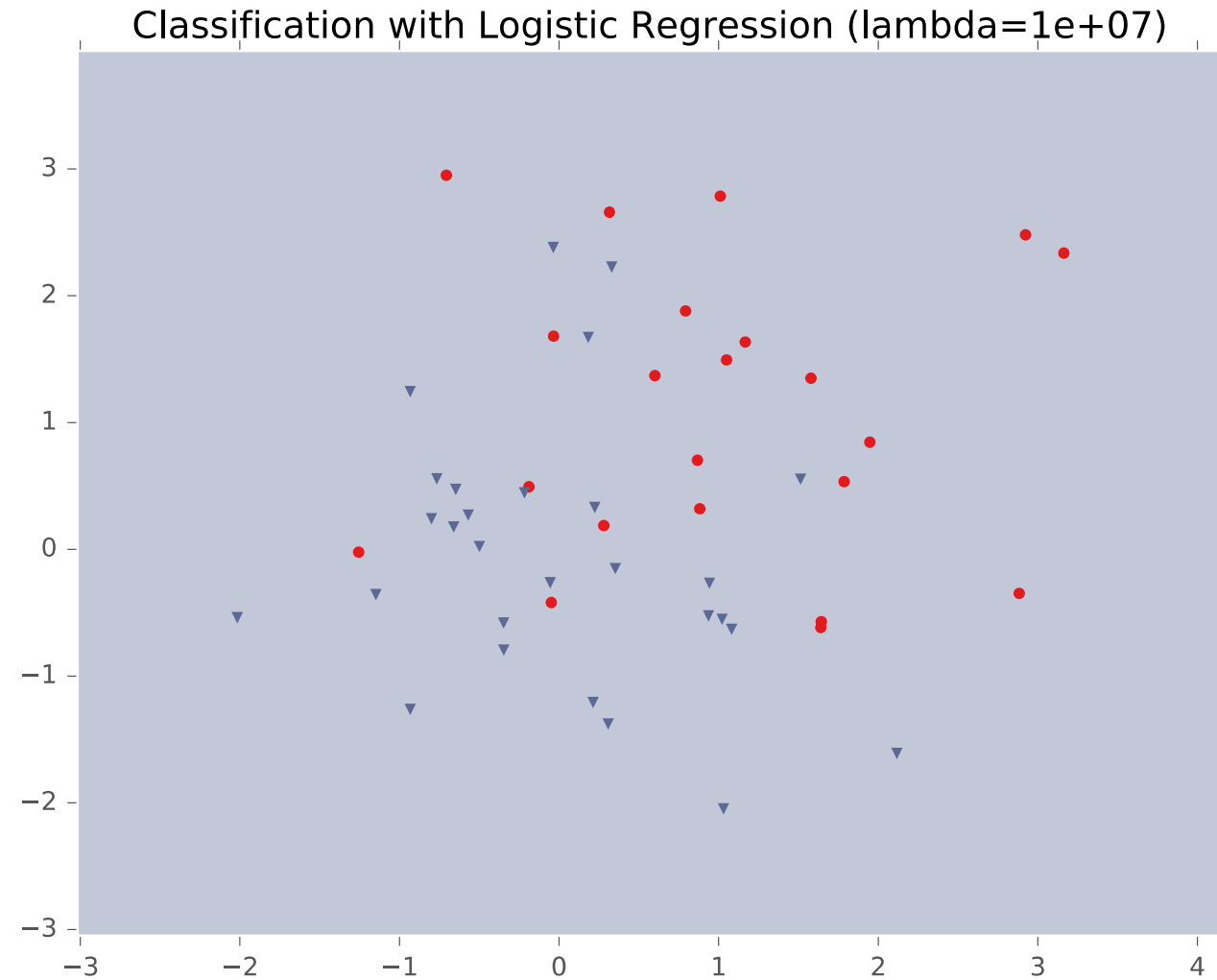
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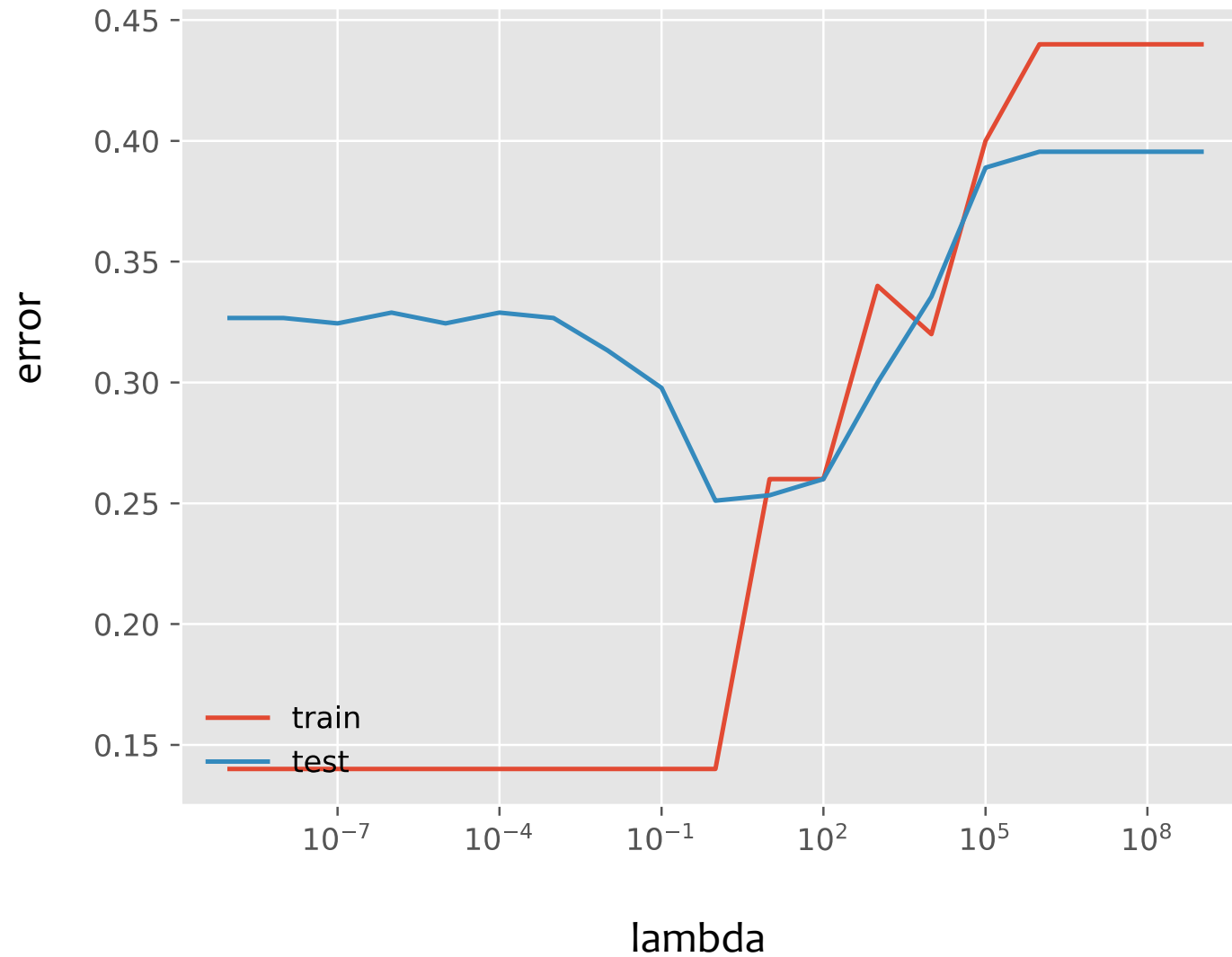
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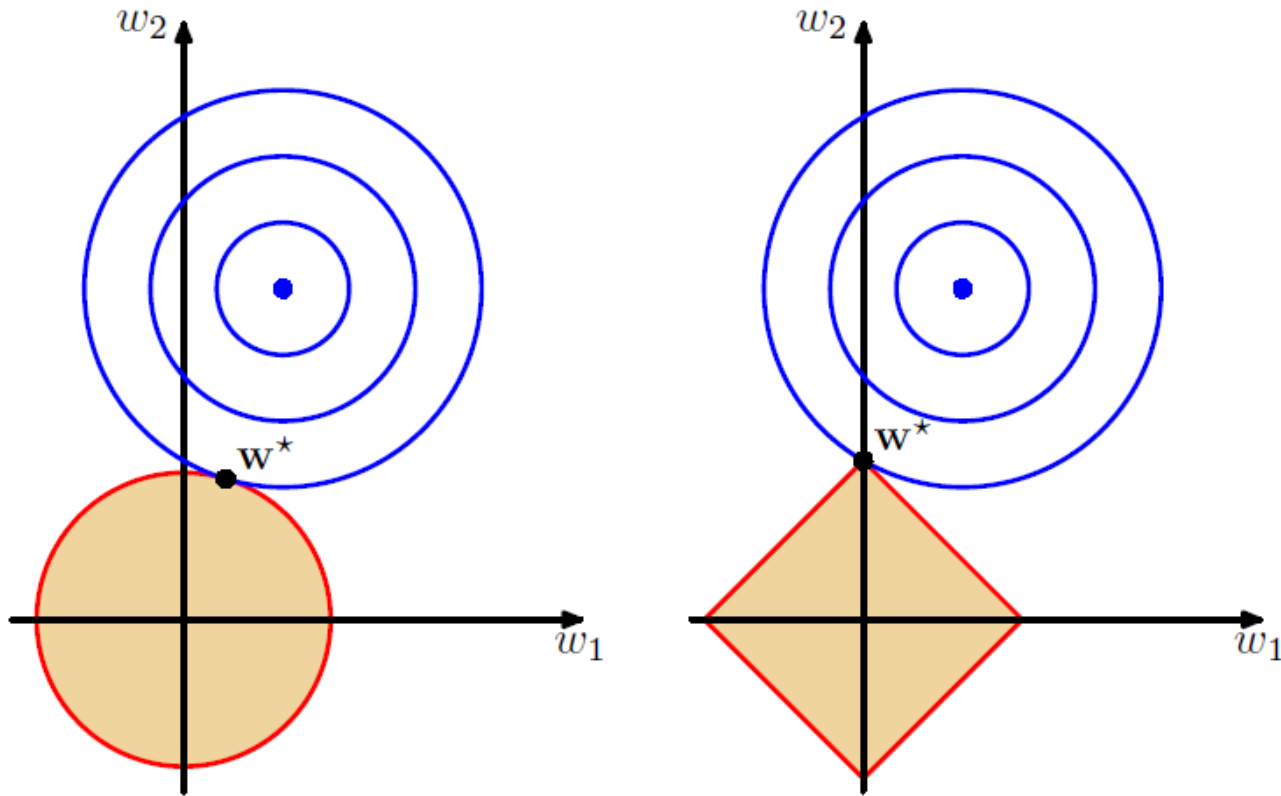
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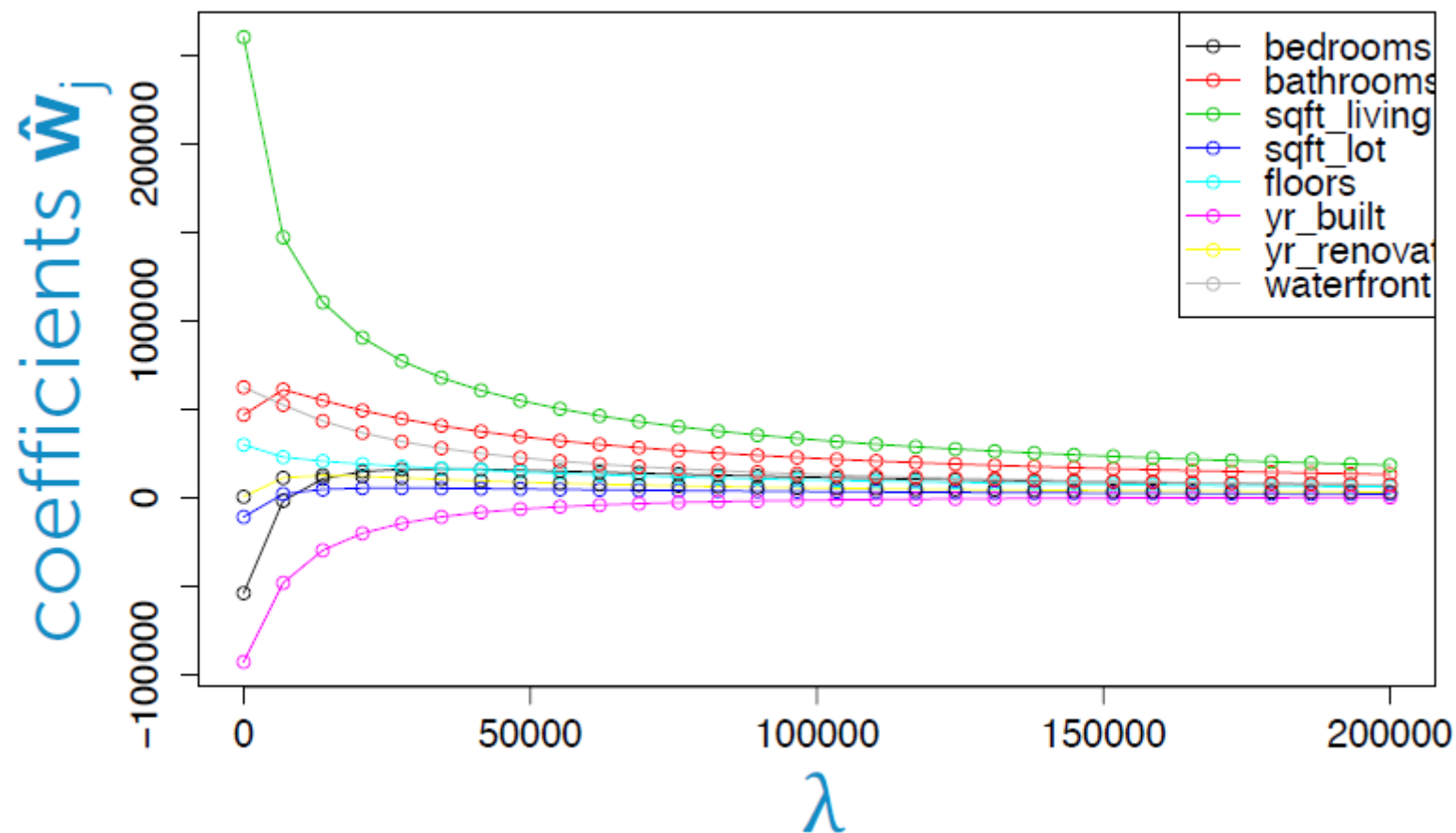
L2 vs L1 Regularization

Combine original objective with penalty on parameters



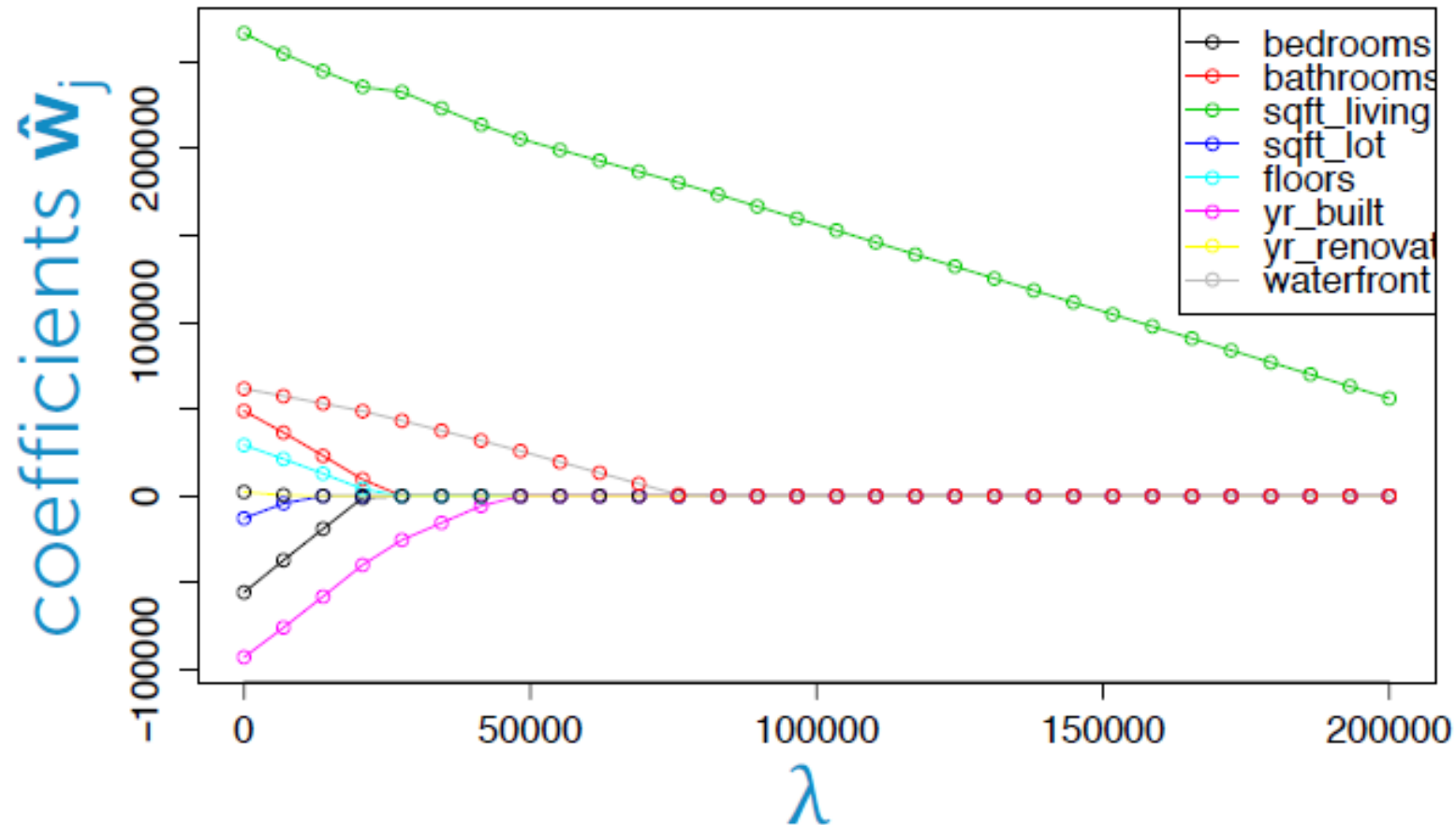
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Regularization as MAP

- L1 and L2 regularization can be interpreted as **maximum a-posteriori (MAP) estimation** of the parameters
- To be discussed later in the course...

Takeaways

1. **Nonlinear basis functions** allow **linear models** (e.g. Linear Regression, Logistic Regression) to capture **nonlinear** aspects of the original input
2. Nonlinear features **require no changes to the model** (i.e. just preprocessing)
3. **Regularization** helps to avoid **overfitting**
4. **Regularization** and **MAP estimation** are equivalent for appropriately chosen priors

Feature Engineering / Regularization Objectives

You should be able to...

- Engineer appropriate features for a new task
- Use feature selection techniques to identify and remove irrelevant features
- Identify when a model is overfitting
- Add a regularizer to an existing objective in order to combat overfitting
- Convert linearly inseparable dataset to a linearly separable dataset in higher dimensions
- Describe feature engineering in common application areas