DATA MINING 2

Logistic Regression

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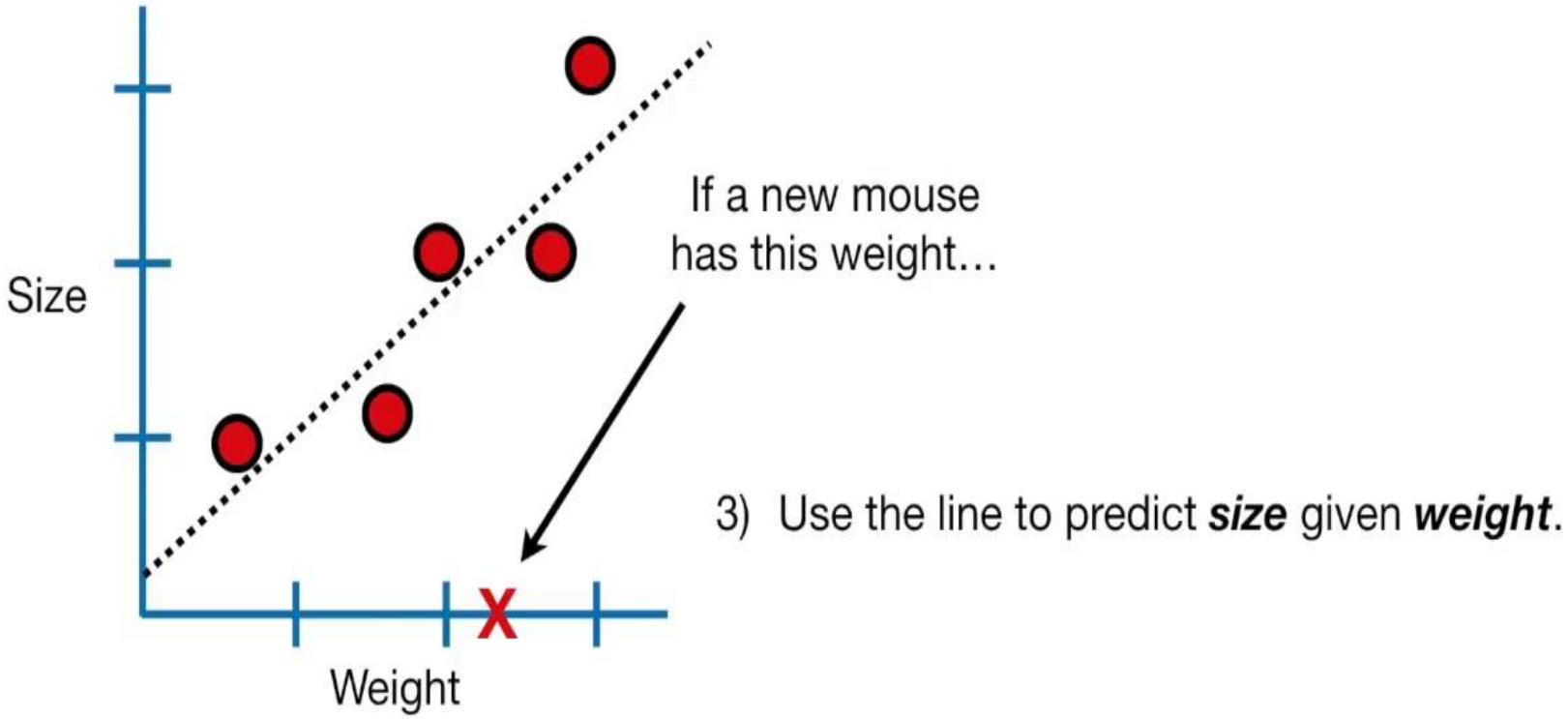

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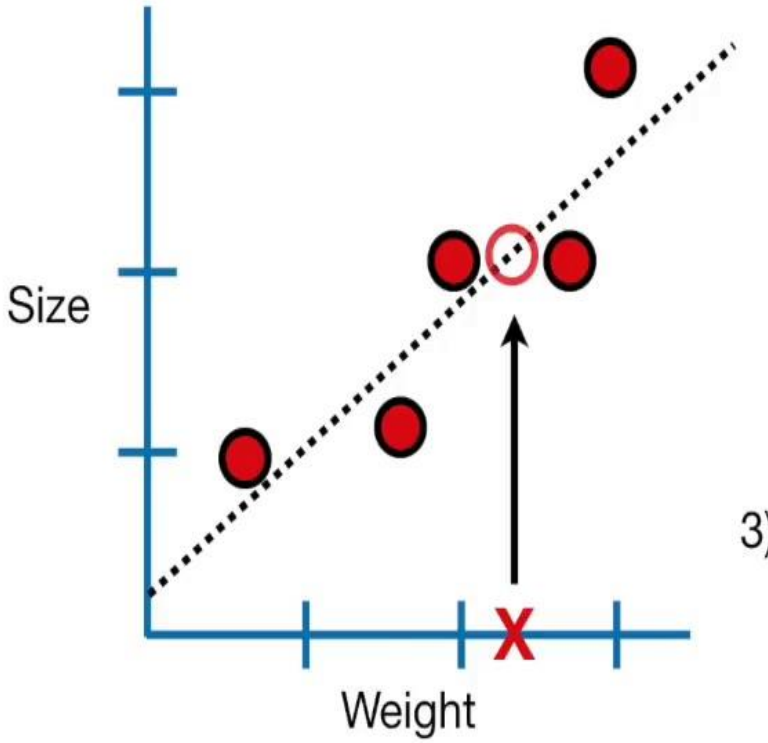

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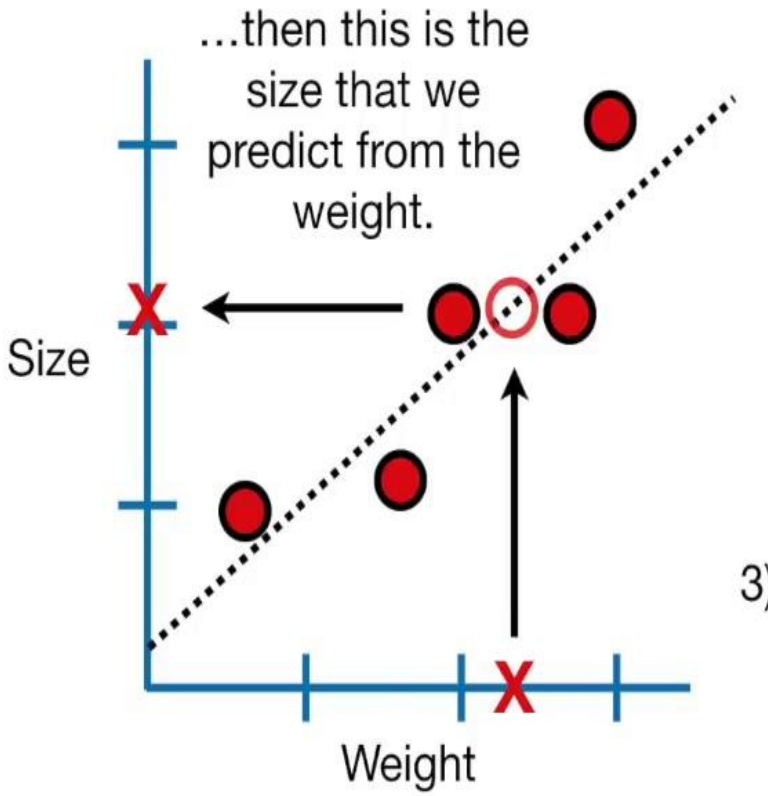

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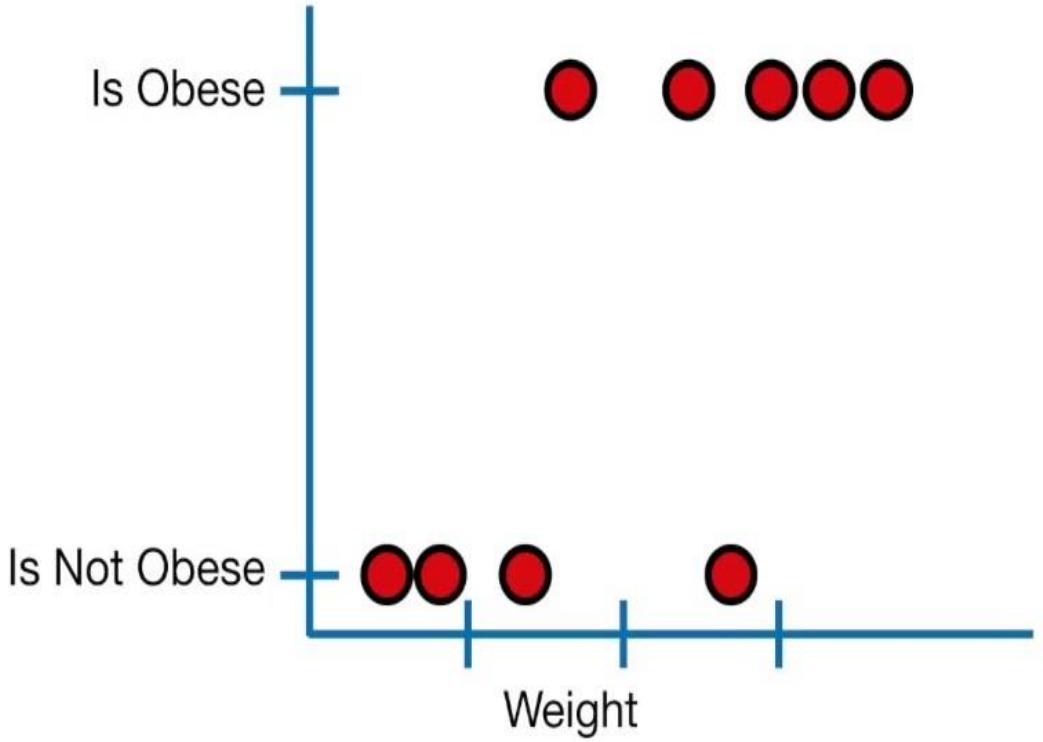
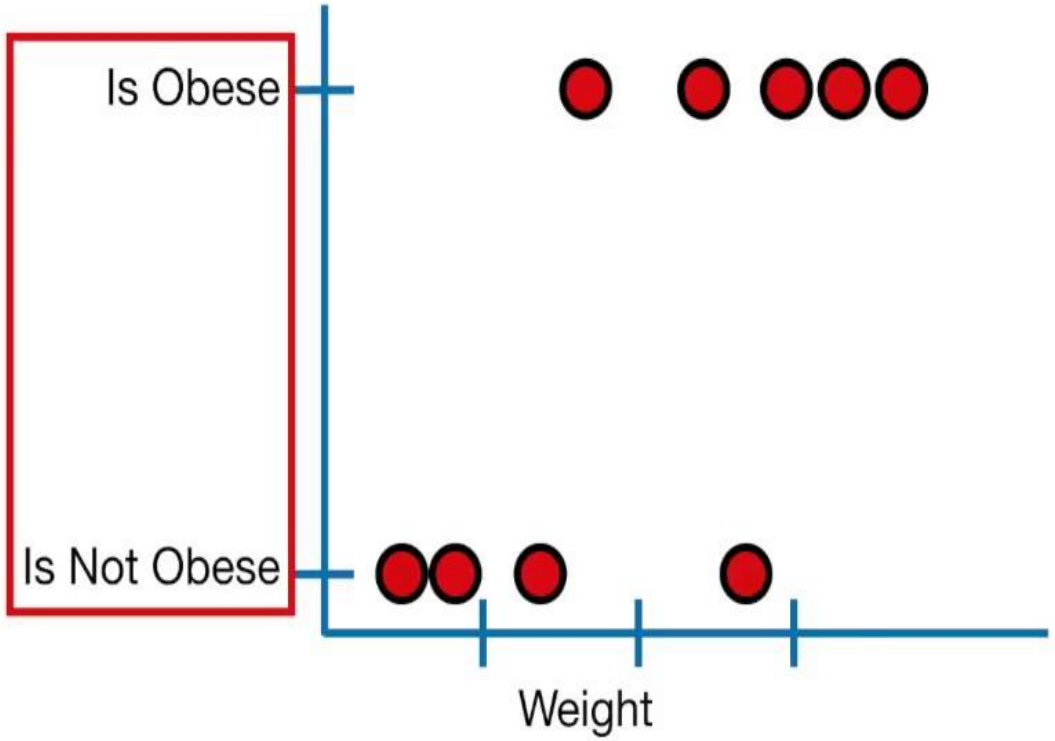


Logistic Regression

Logistic regression predicts whether something is ***True*** or ***False***, instead of predicting something continuous like ***size***.



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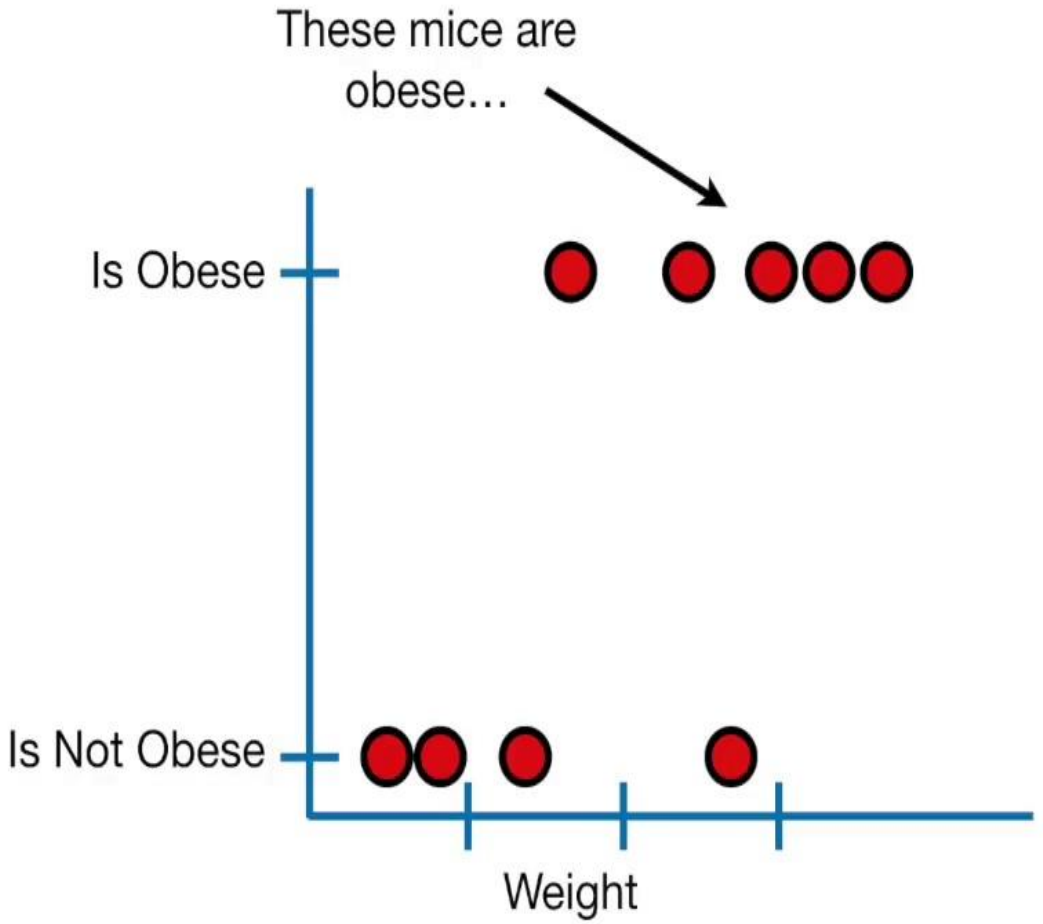

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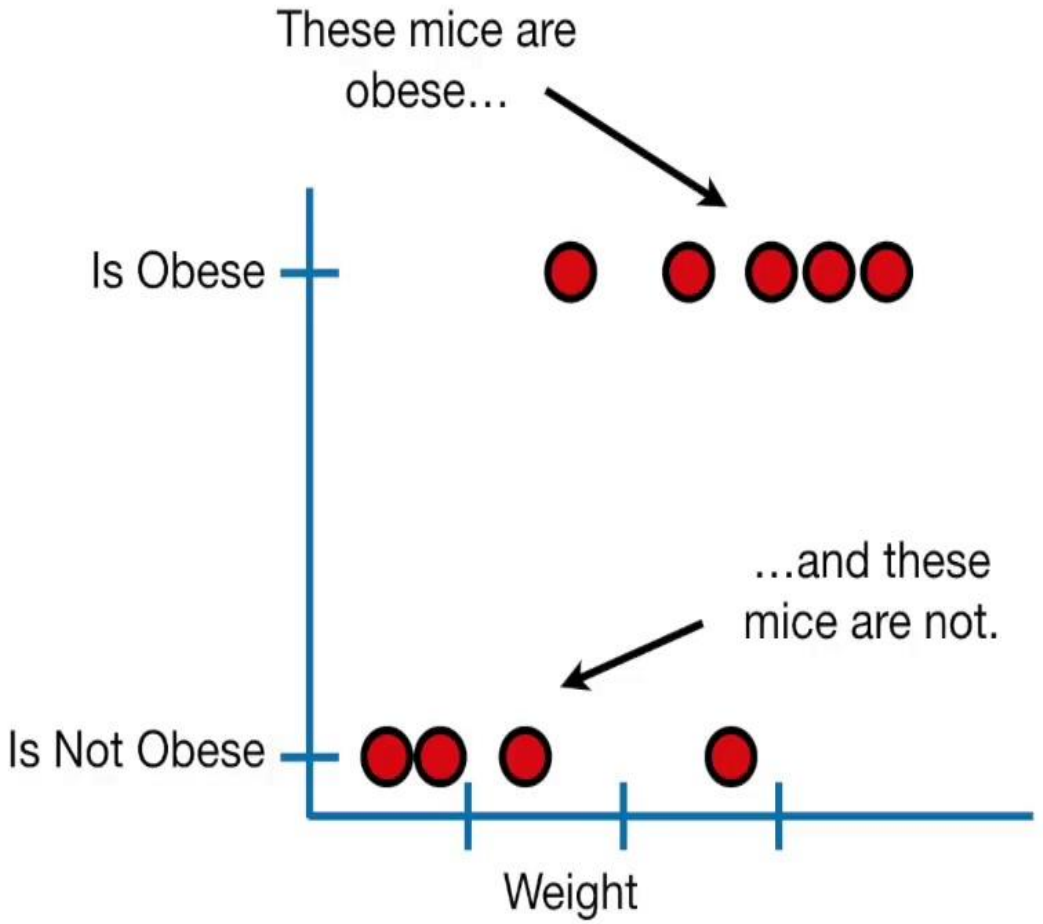

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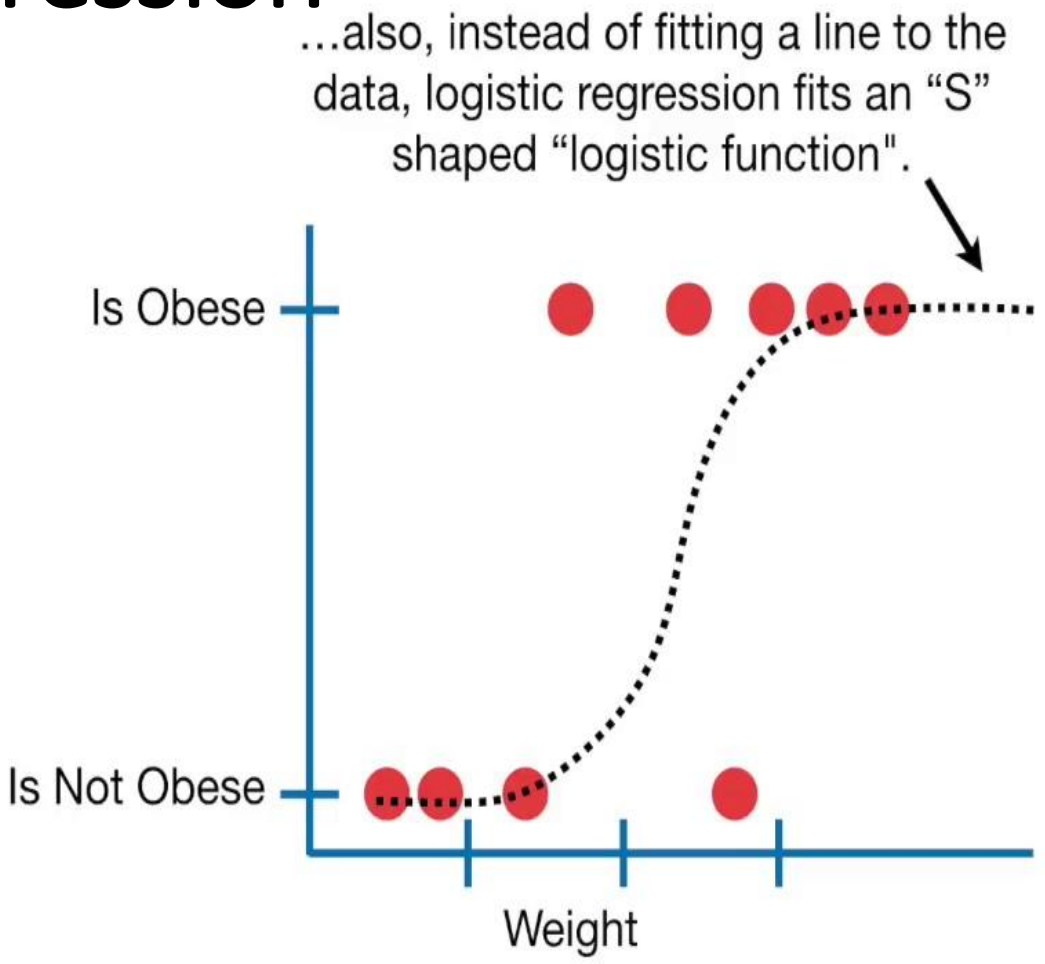

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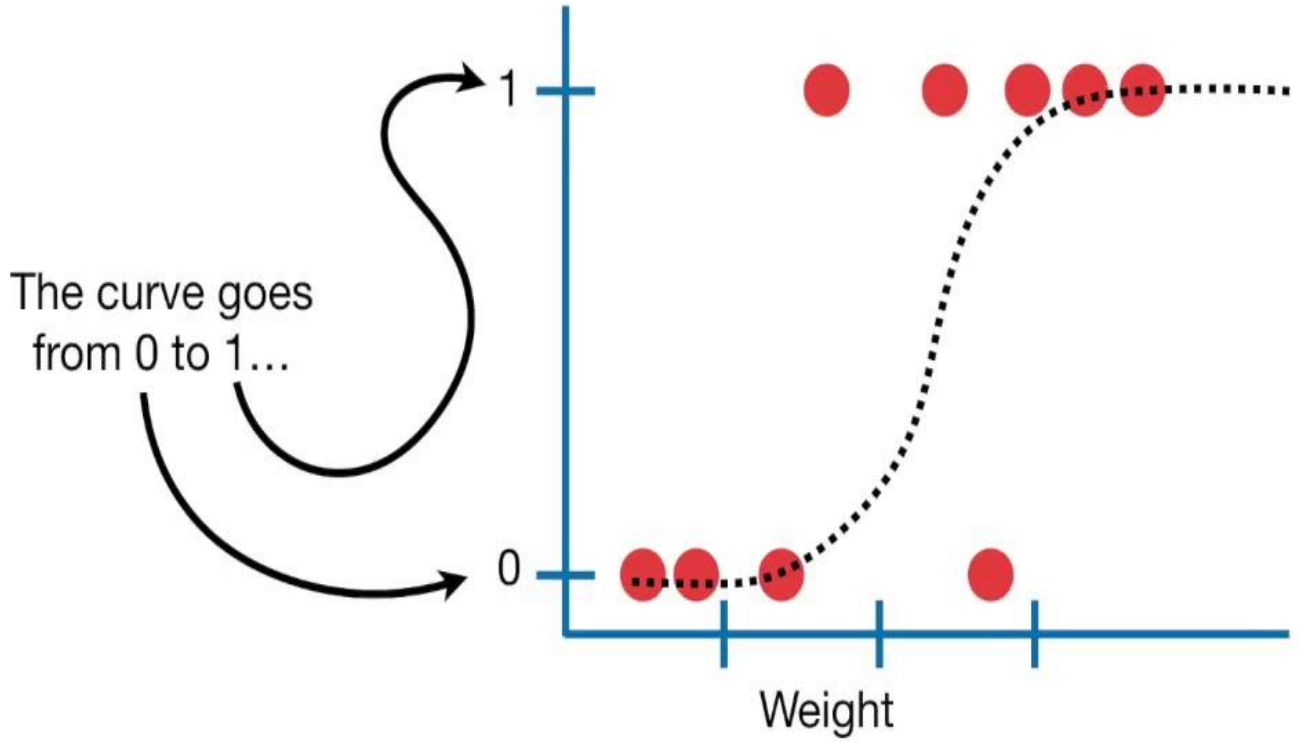

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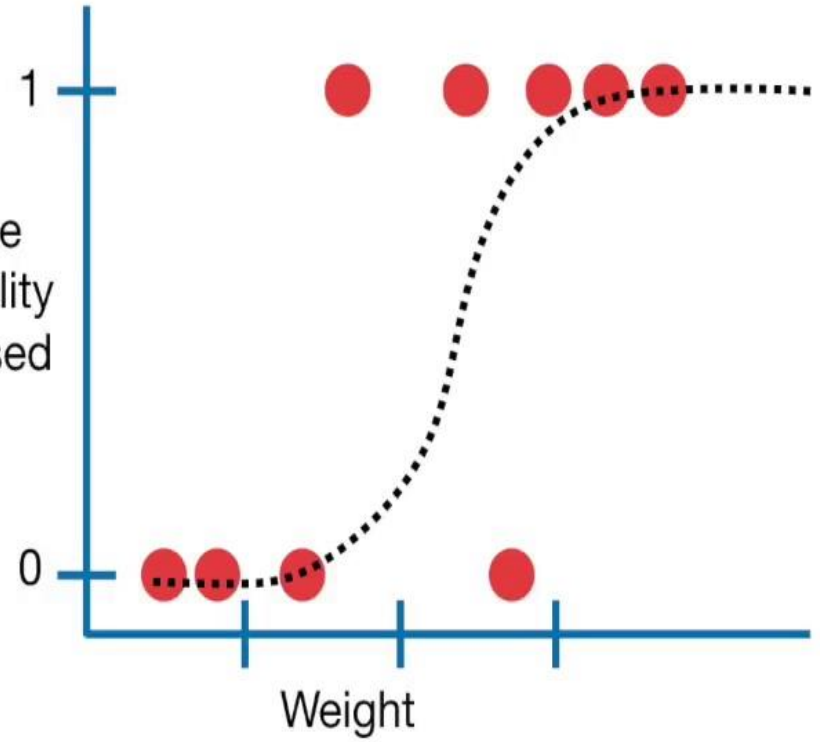
…and that means that the curve tells you the probability that a mouse is ***obese*** based on its ***weight***.



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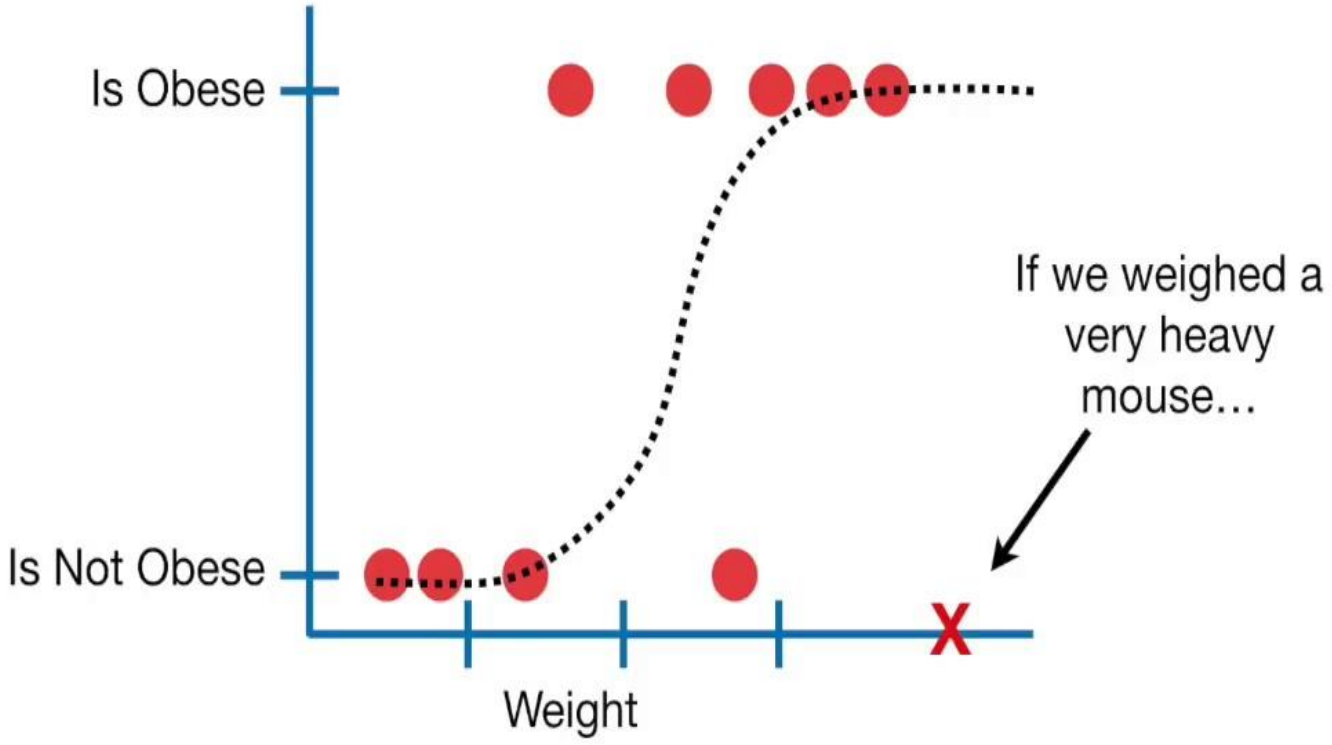

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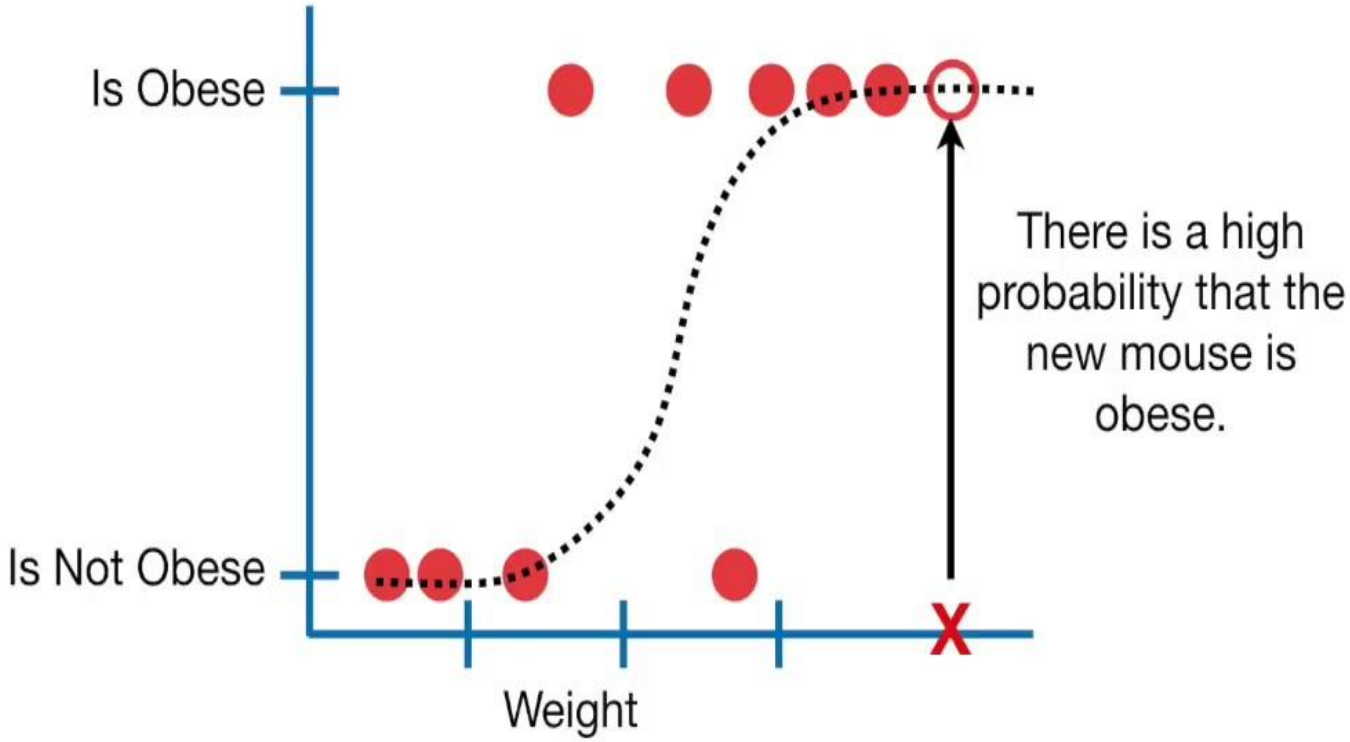

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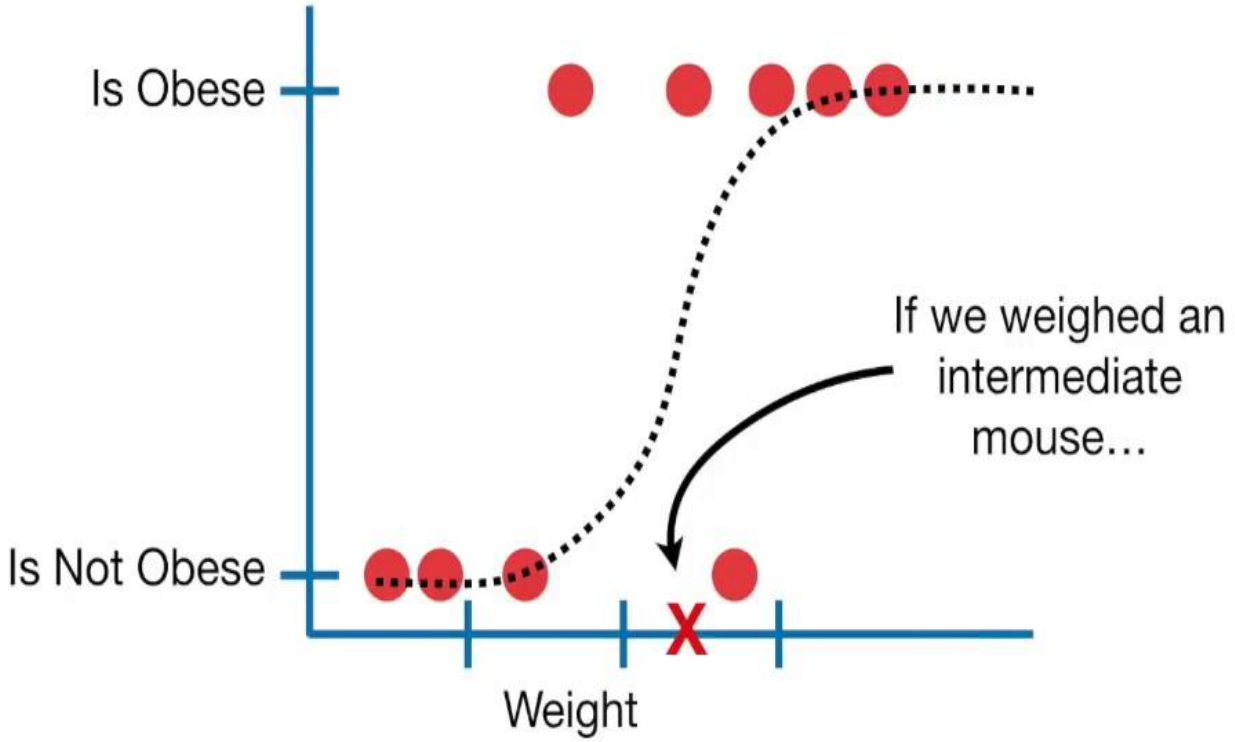

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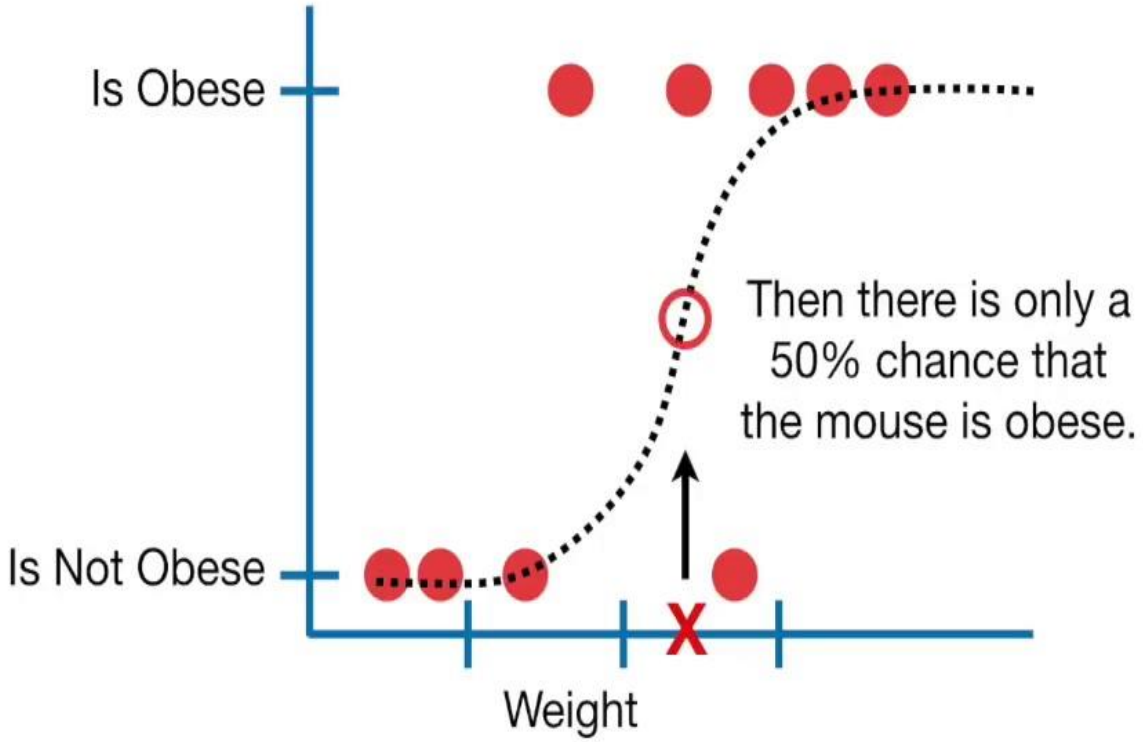

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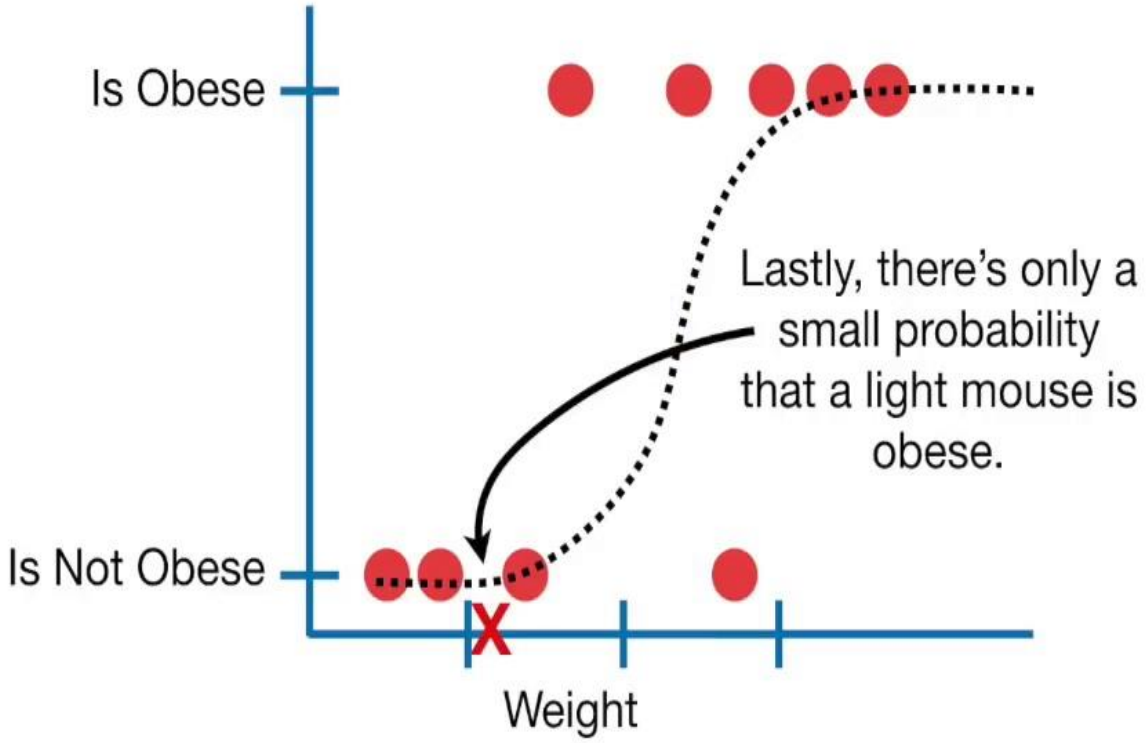
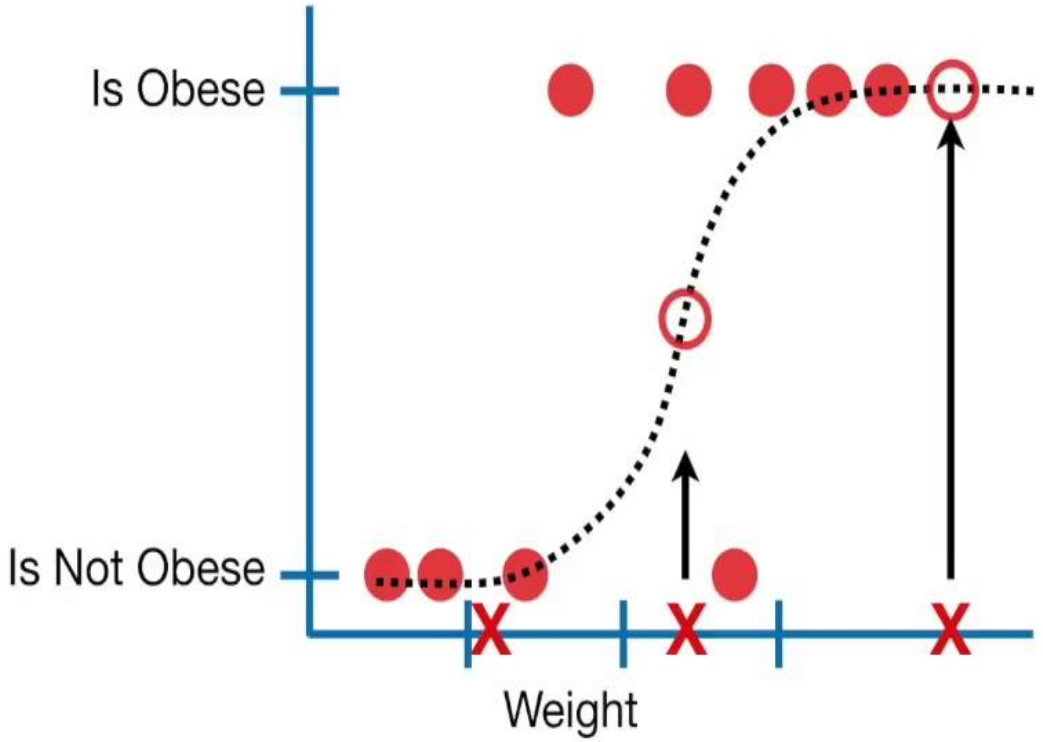


Logistic Regression

Although logistic regression tells the probability that a mouse is obese or not, it's usually used for classification.



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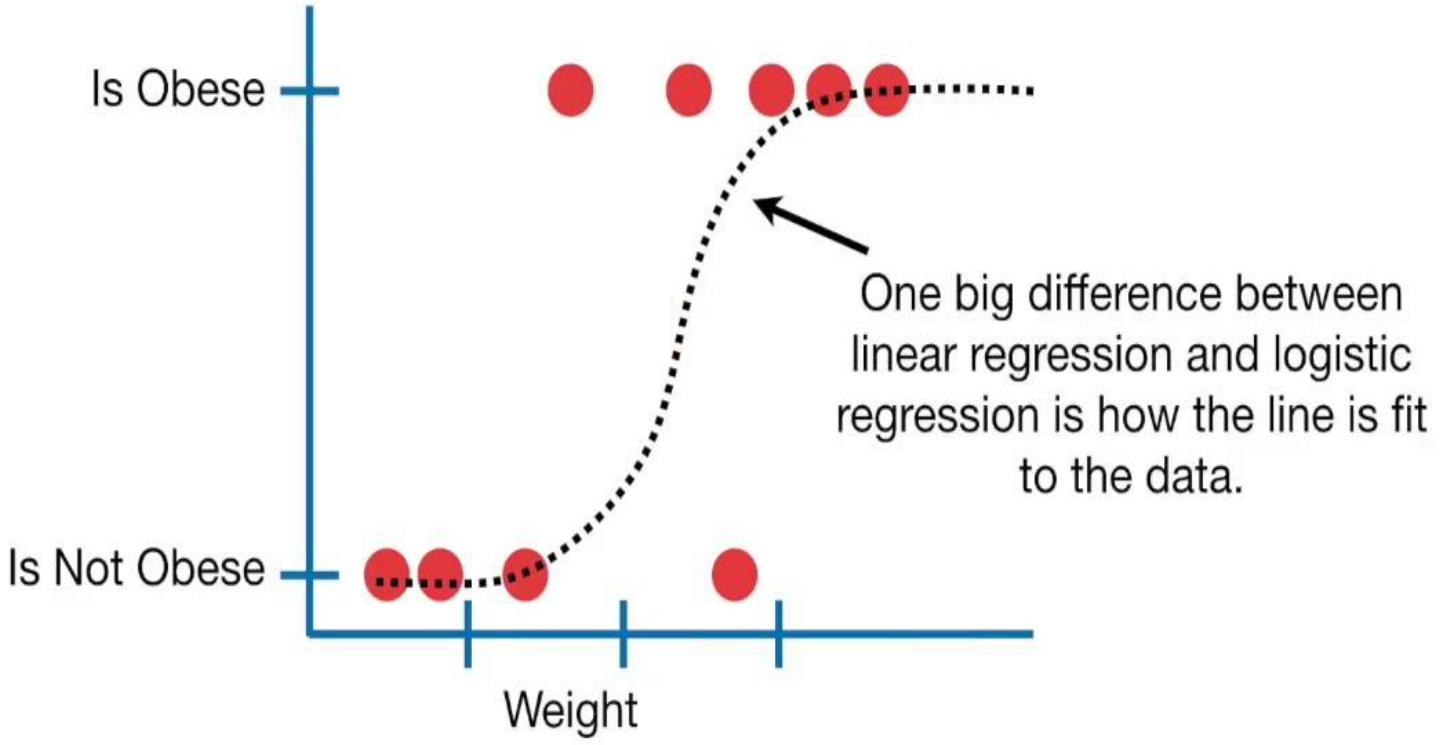

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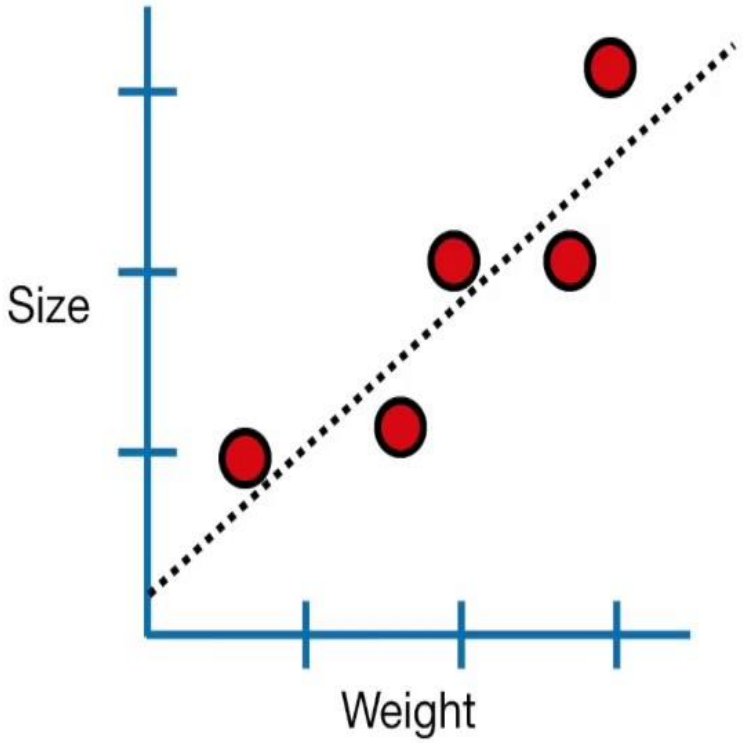

With linear regression, we fit the line using “least squares”.

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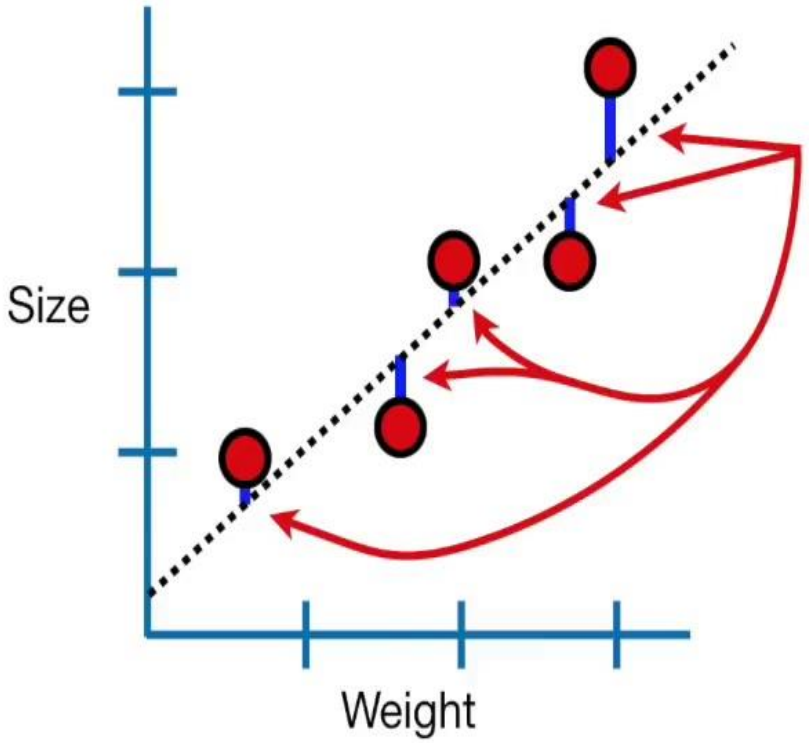
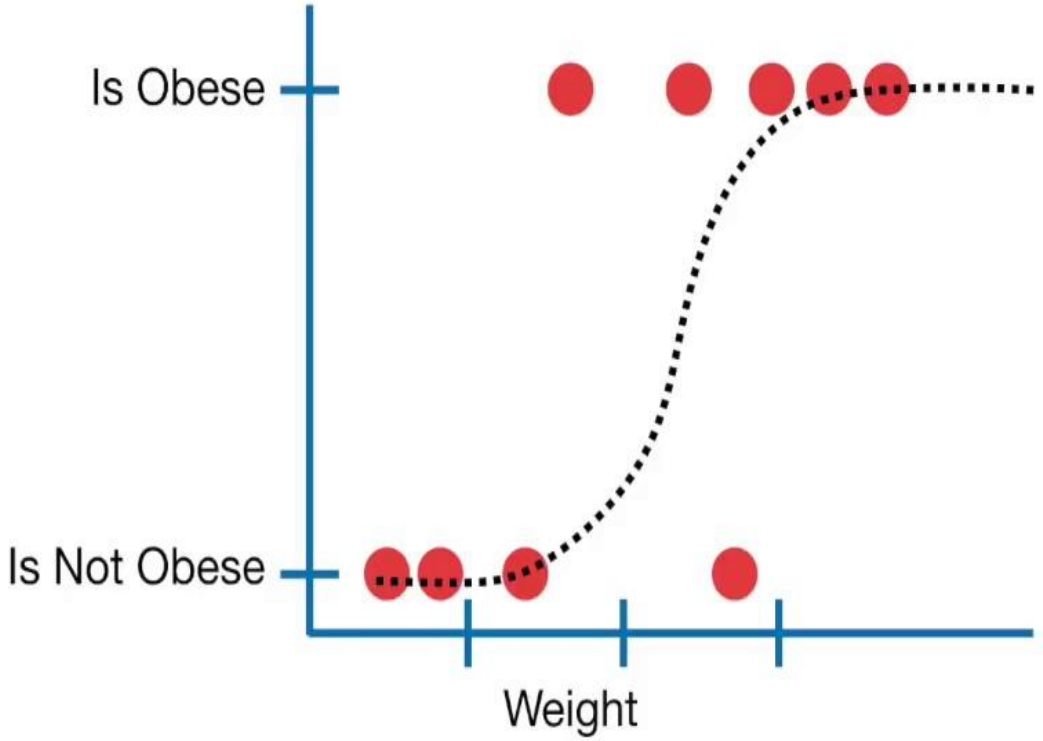


In other words, we find the line that minimizes the sum of the squares of these residuals.

Linear vs Logistic

Logistic regression doesn't have the same concept of a "residual", so it can't use least squares



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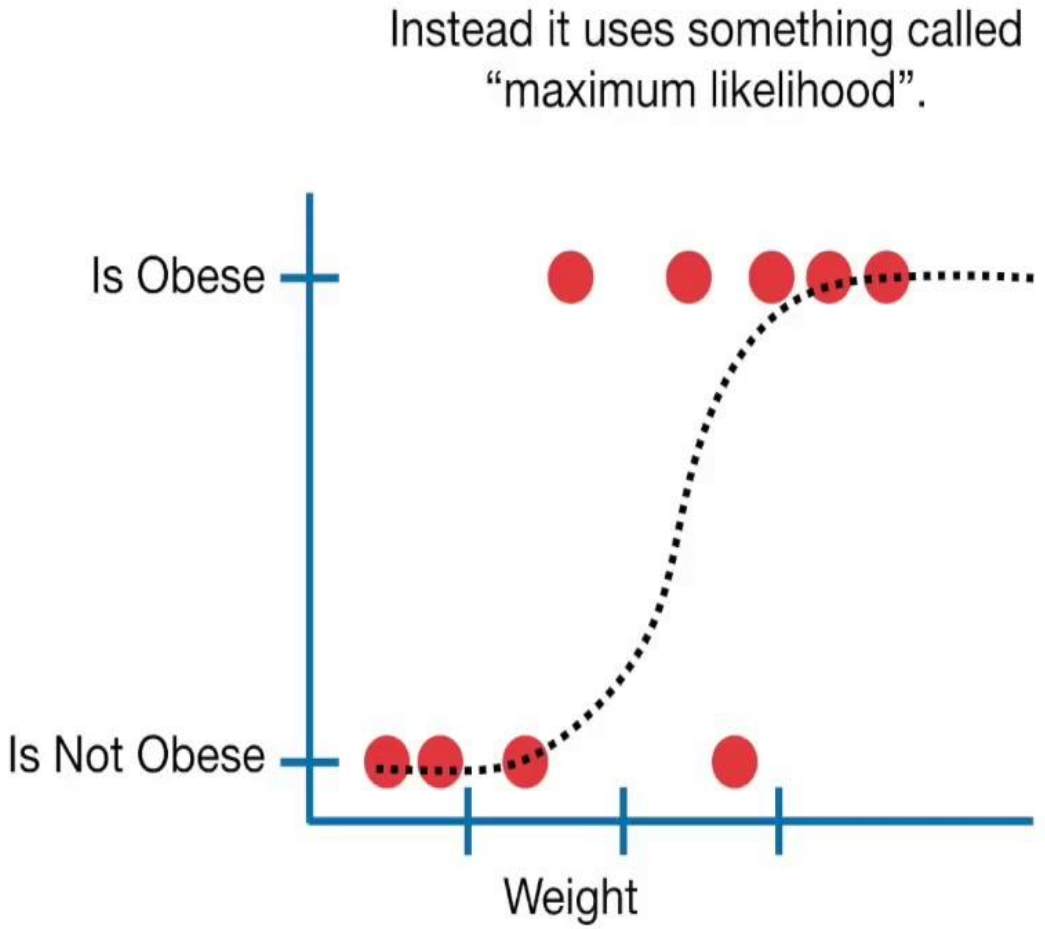

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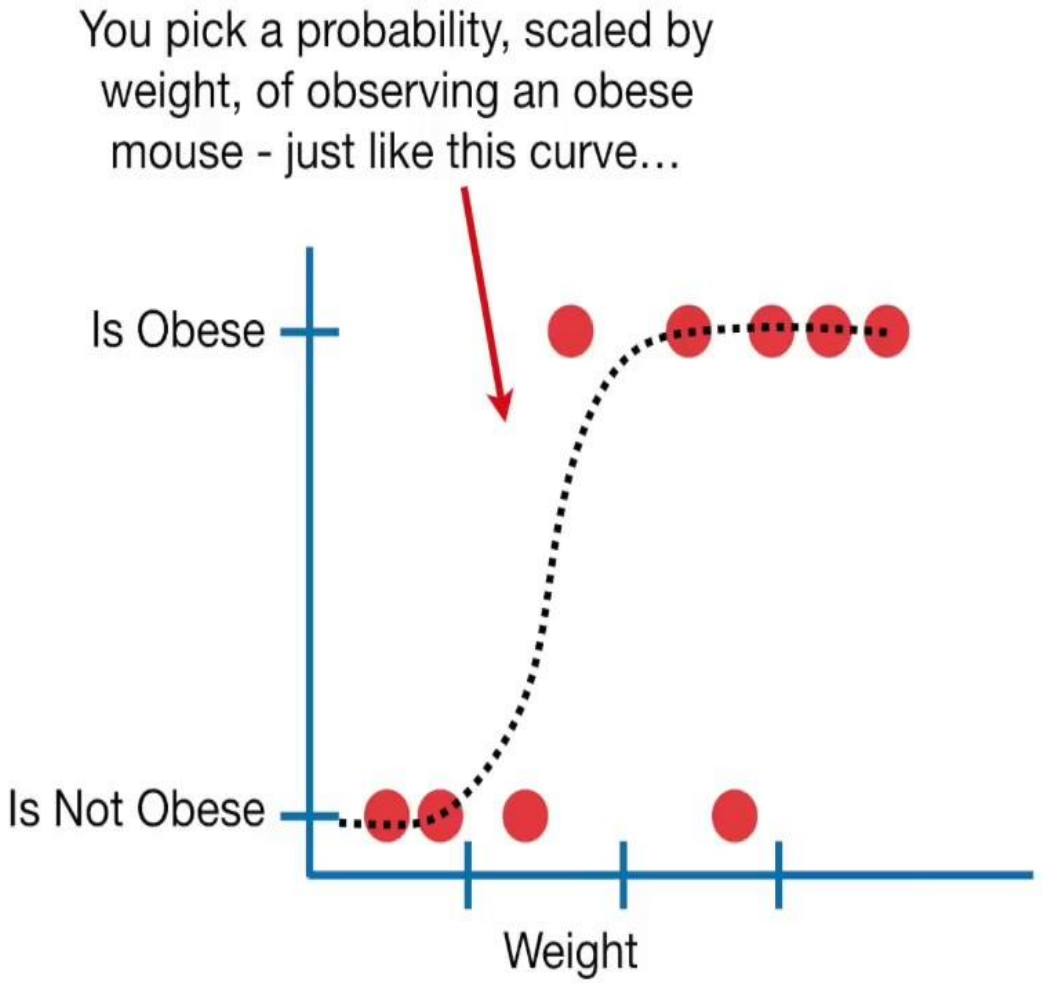
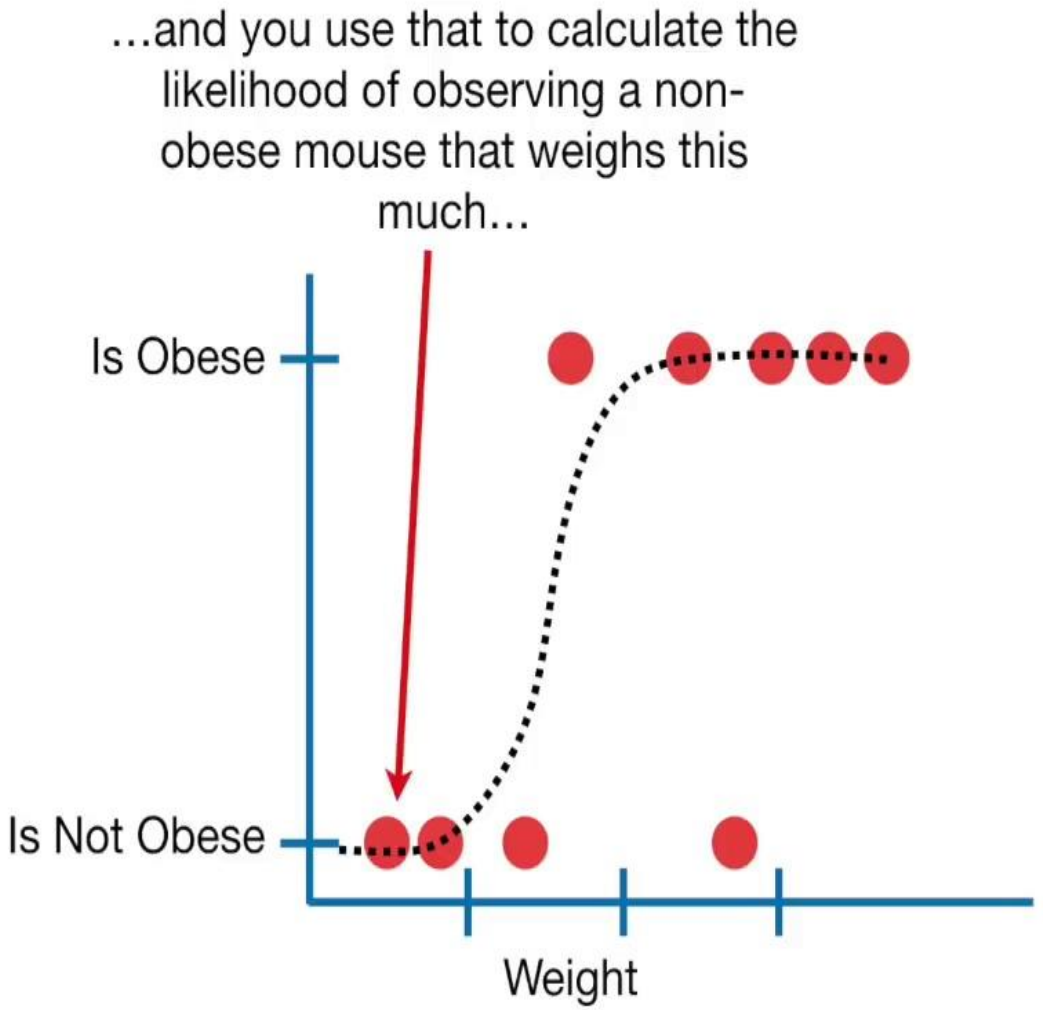

You pick a probability, scaled by weight, of observing an obese mouse - just like this curve…
Is Obese
Is Not Obese
Weight

MLE


…and you use that to calculate the likelihood of observing a non-obese mouse that weighs this much…
Is Obese
Is Not Obese
Weight

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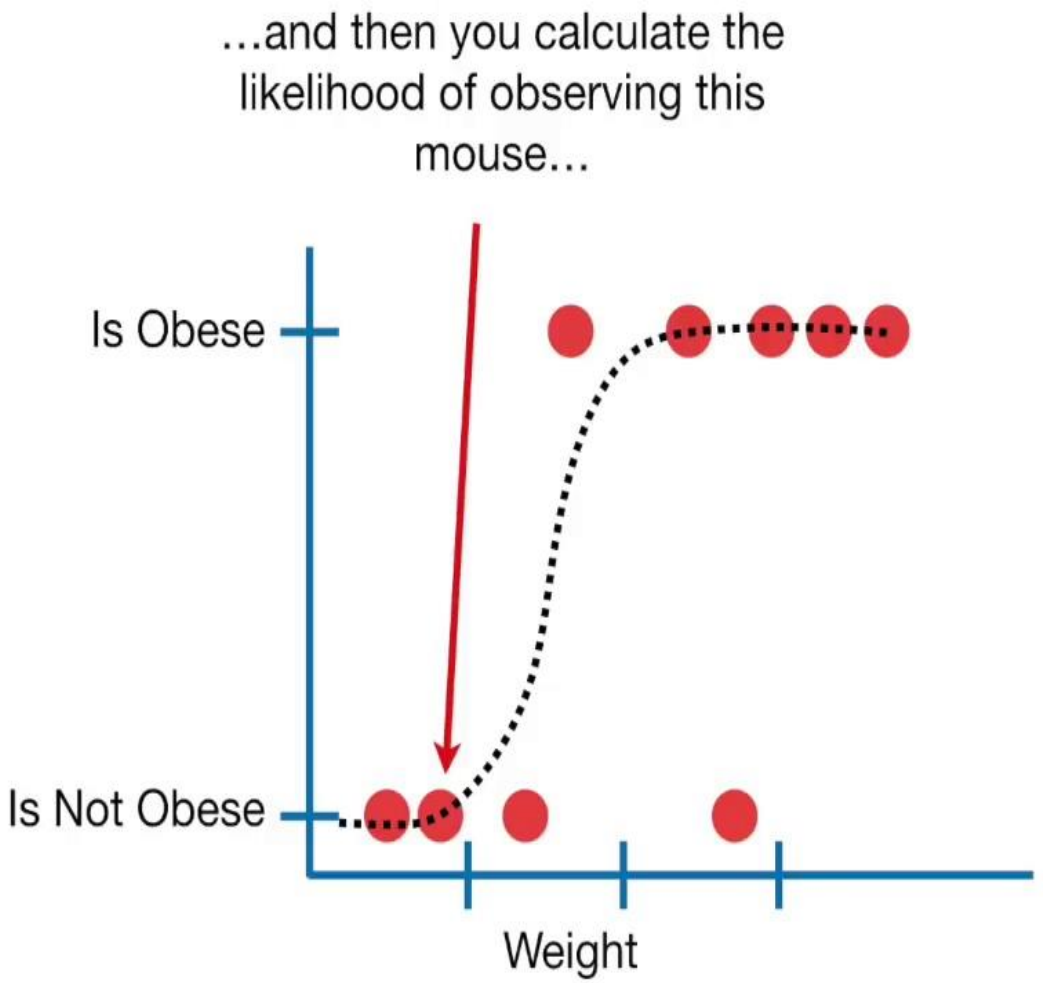
…and then you calculate the likelihood of observing this mouse…
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Weight

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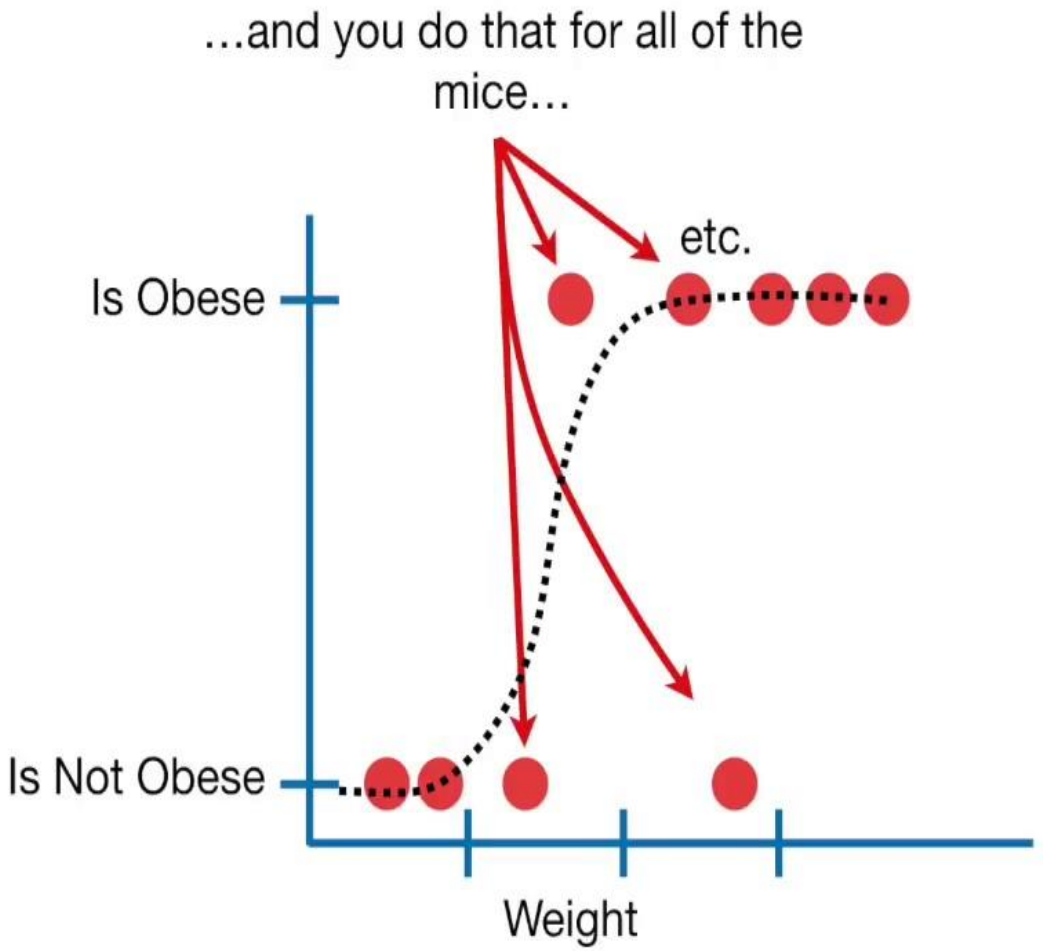
...and you do that for all of the mice...
etc.
Is Obese
Is Not Obese
Weight

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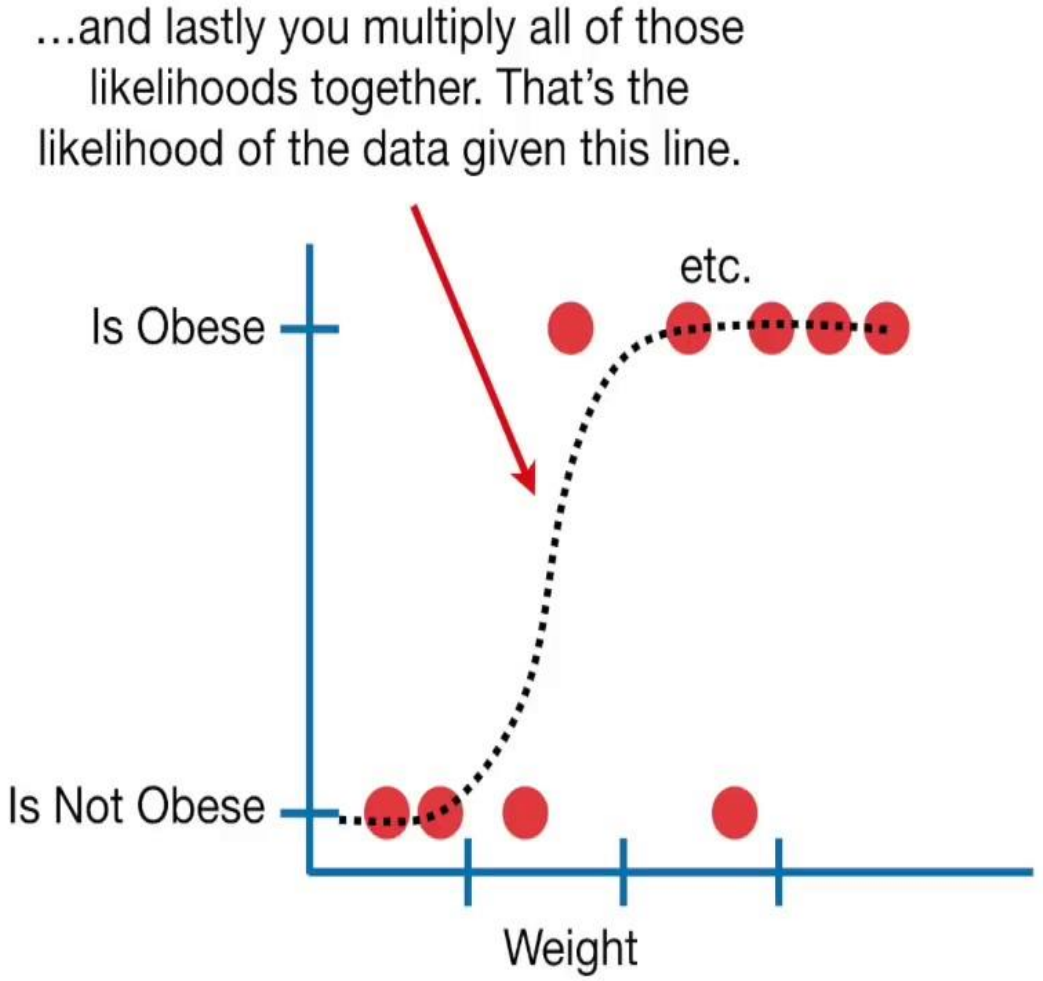
…and lastly you multiply all of those likelihoods together. That's the likelihood of the data given this line.
etc.
Is Obese
Is Not Obese
Weight

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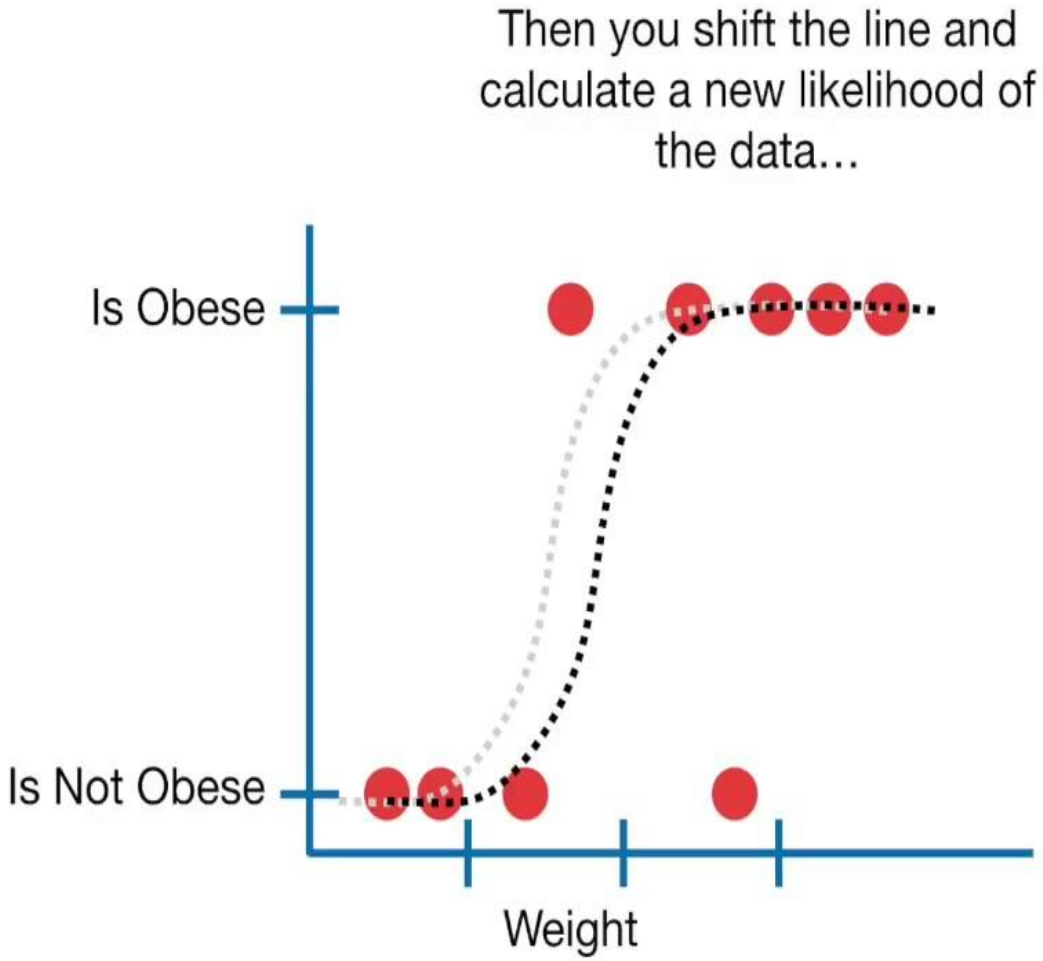
Then you shift the line and calculate a new likelihood of the data...
Is Obese
Is Not Obese
Weight

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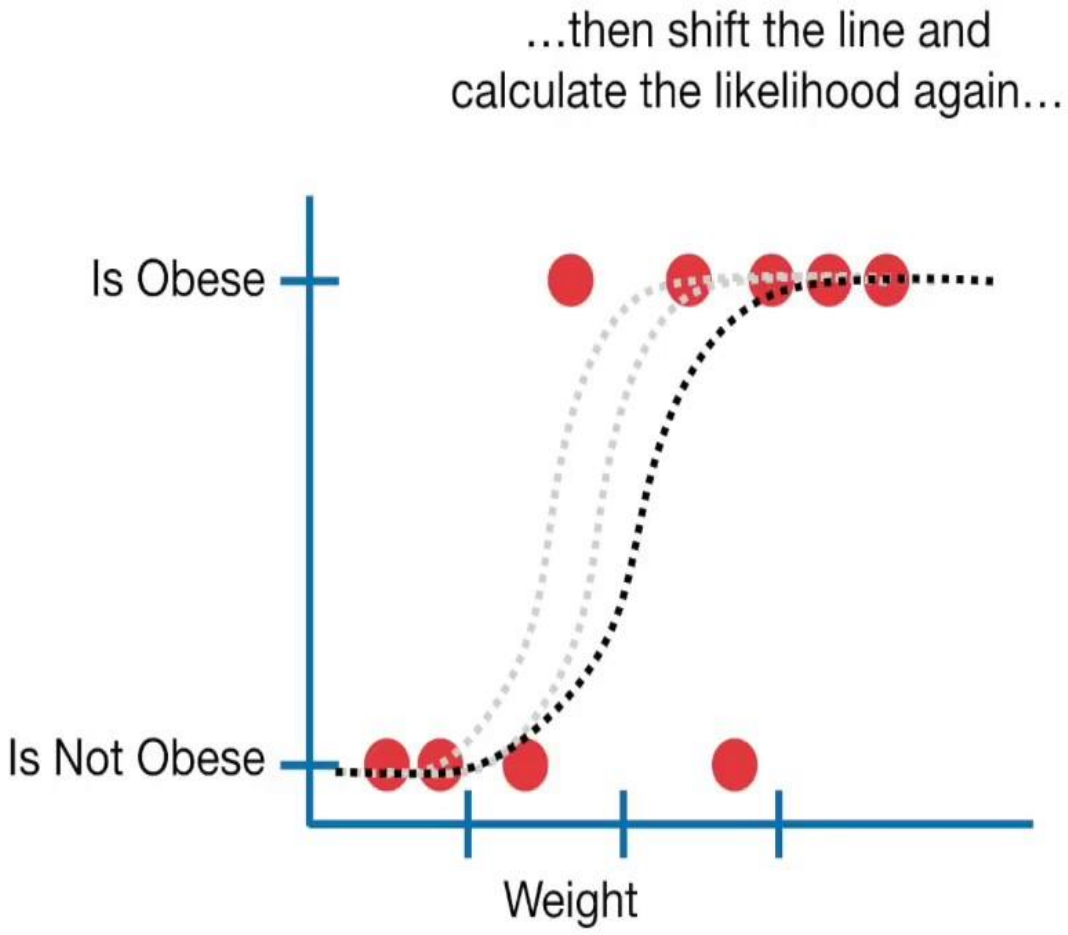
…then shift the line and
calculate the likelihood again…
Is Obese
Is Not Obese
Weight

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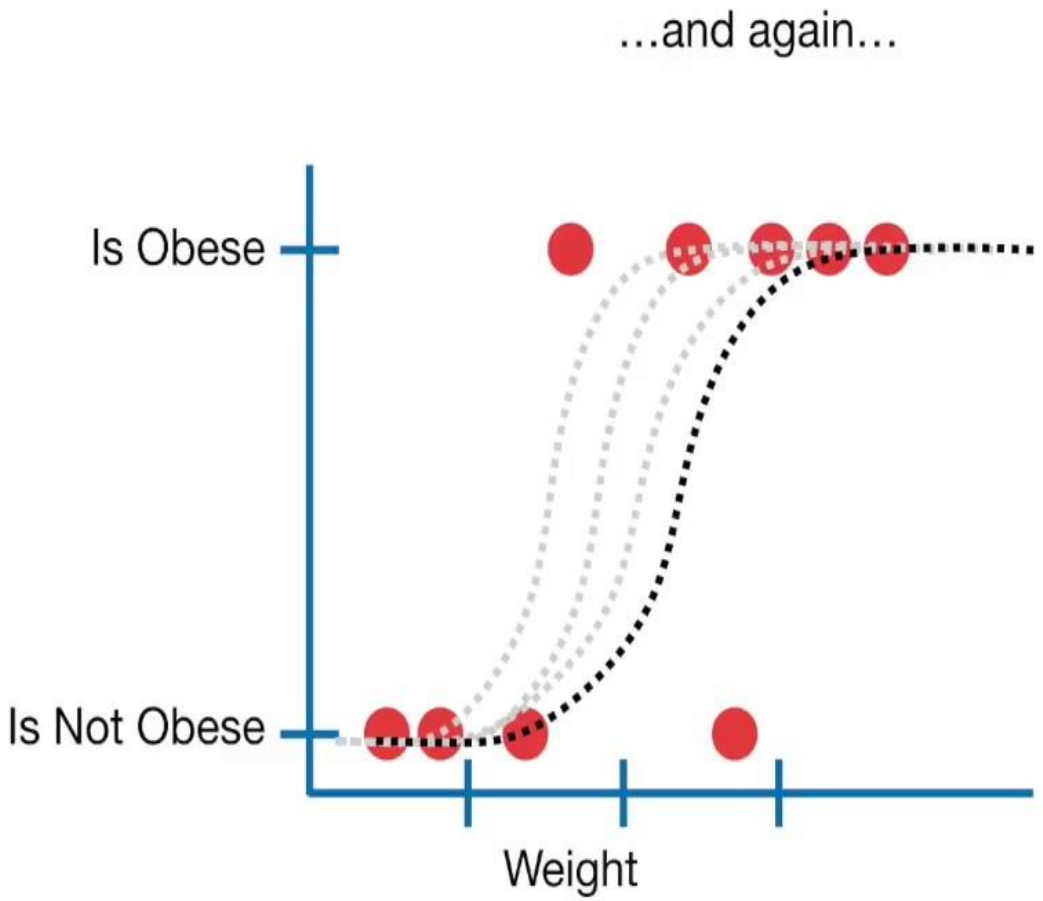

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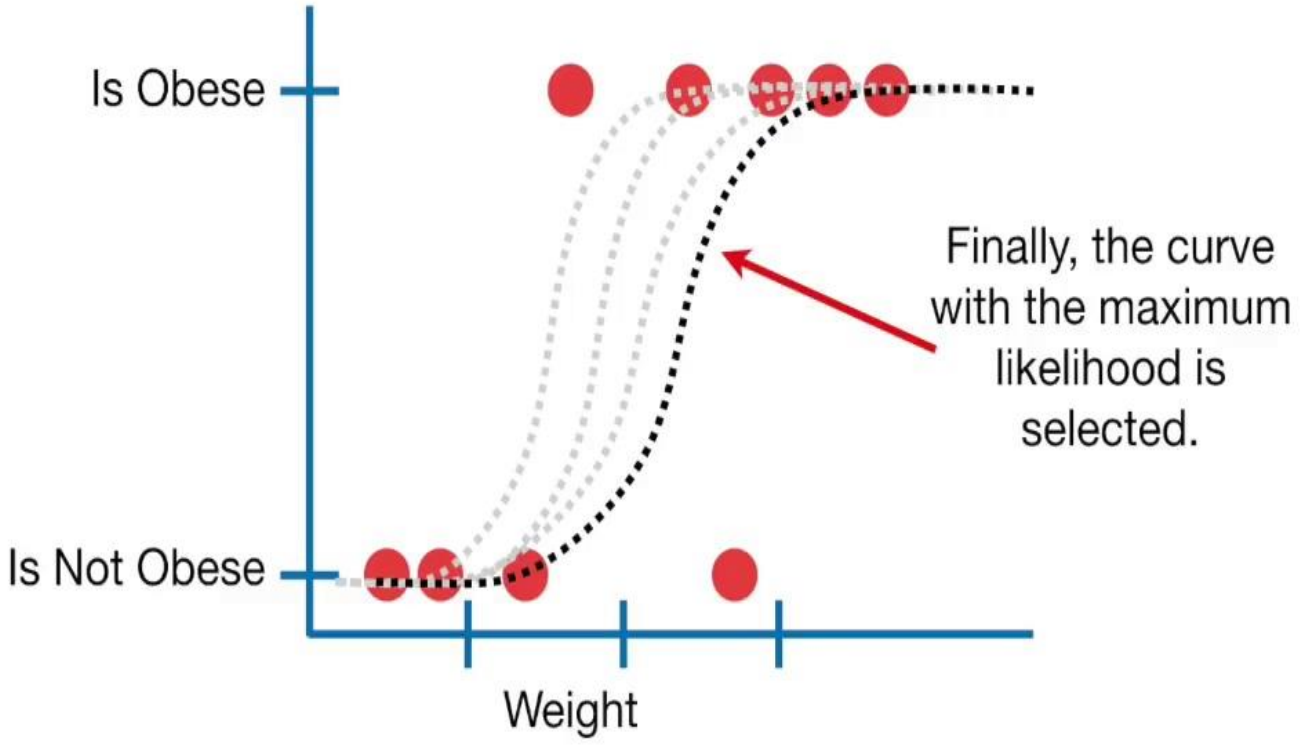
Is Obese
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Weight
Finally, the curve with the maximum likelihood is selected.

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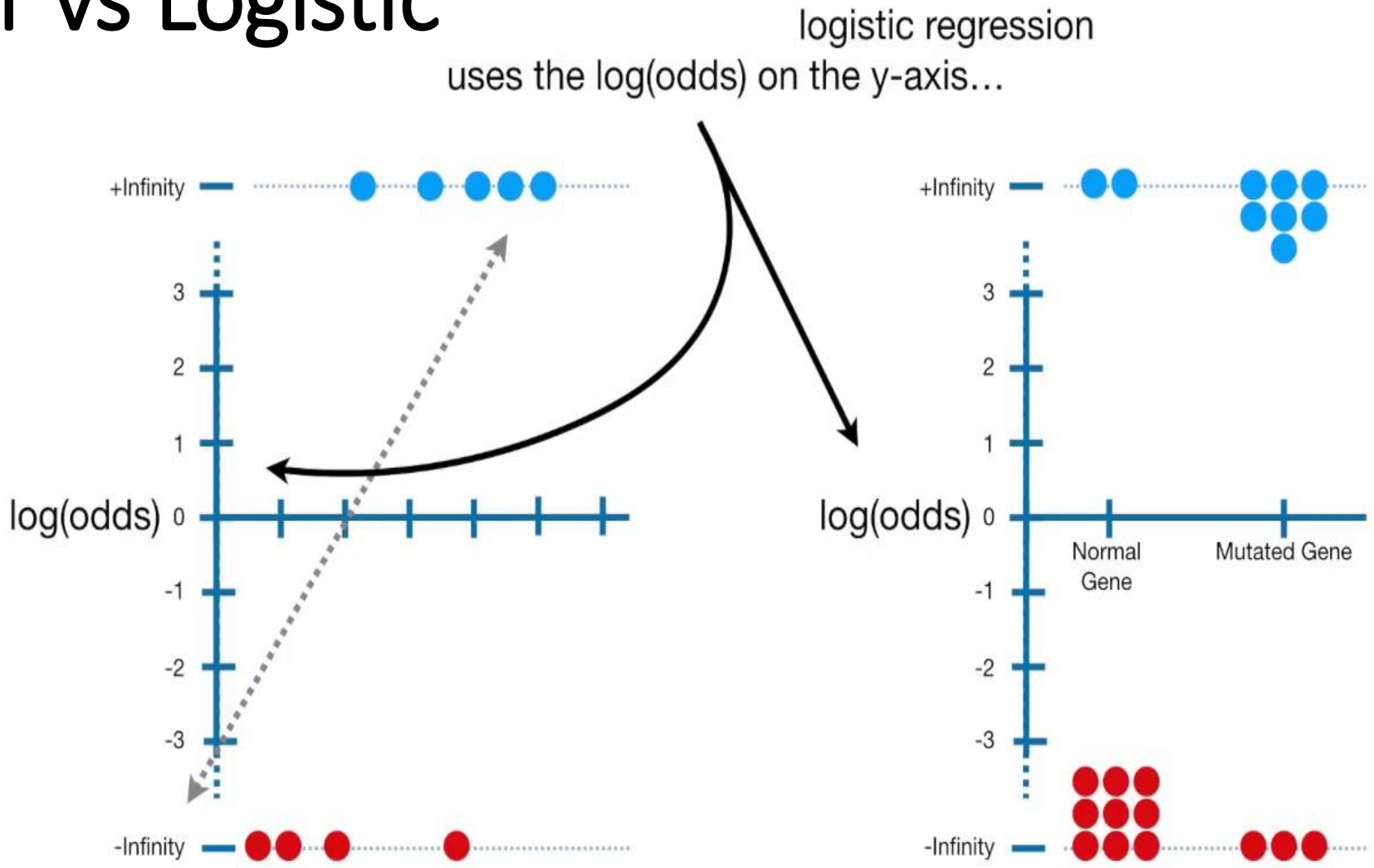

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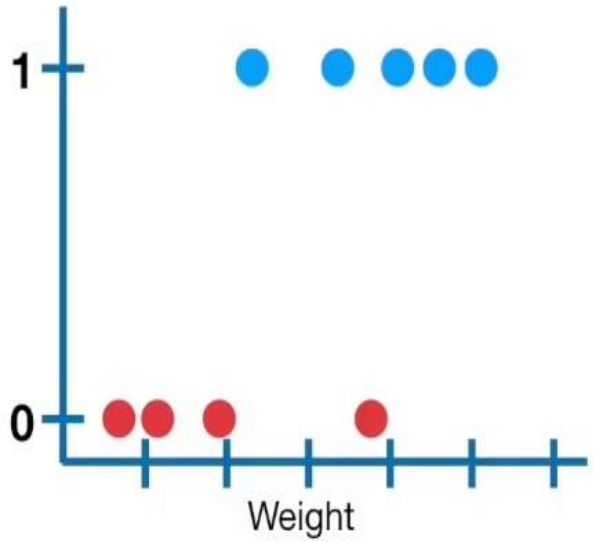

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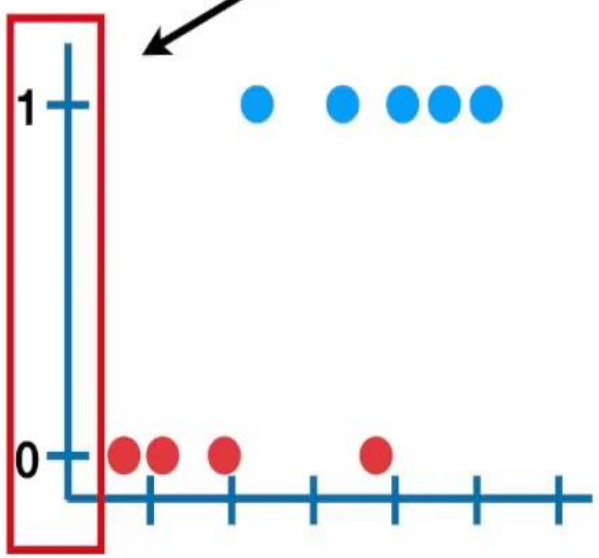
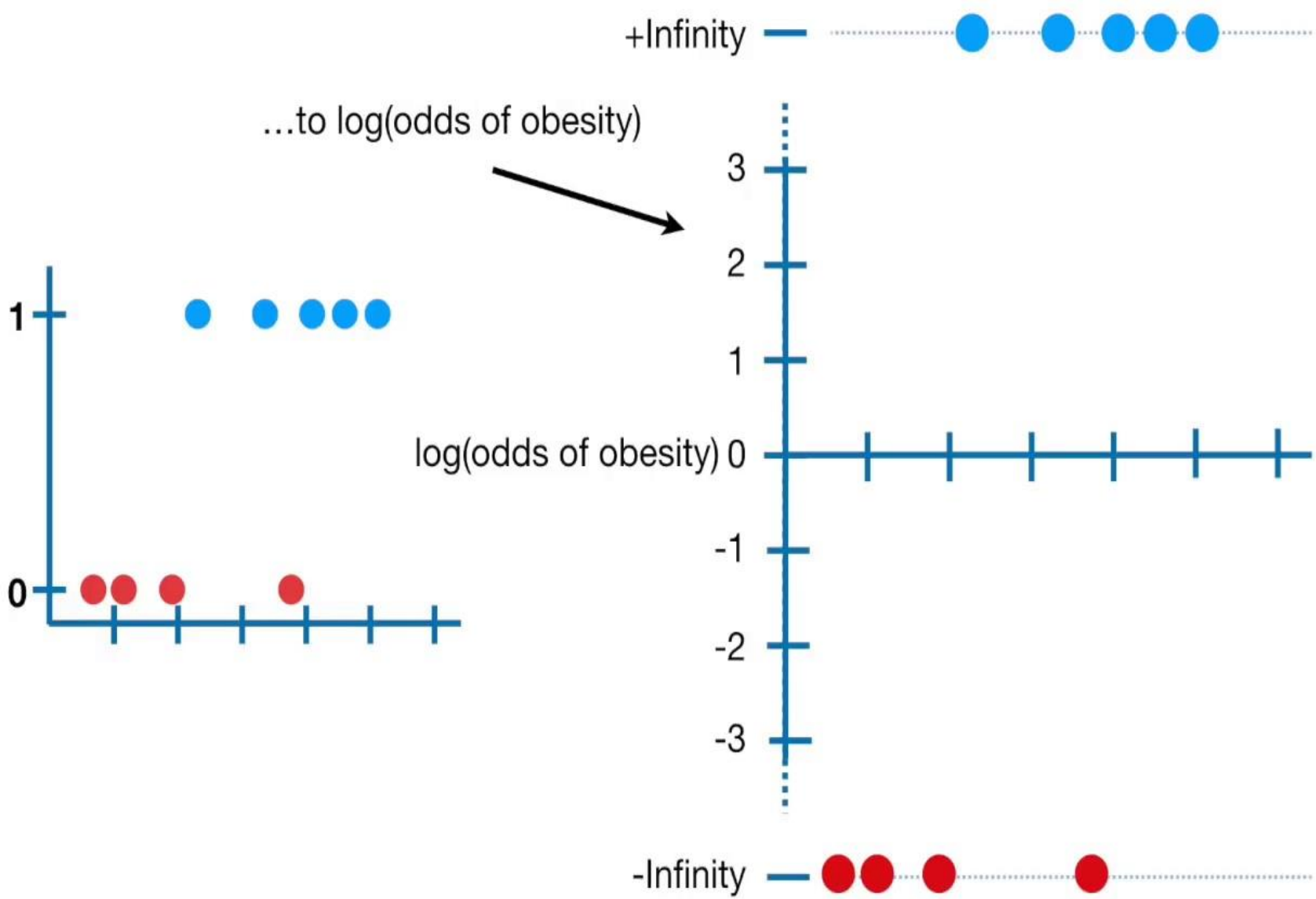
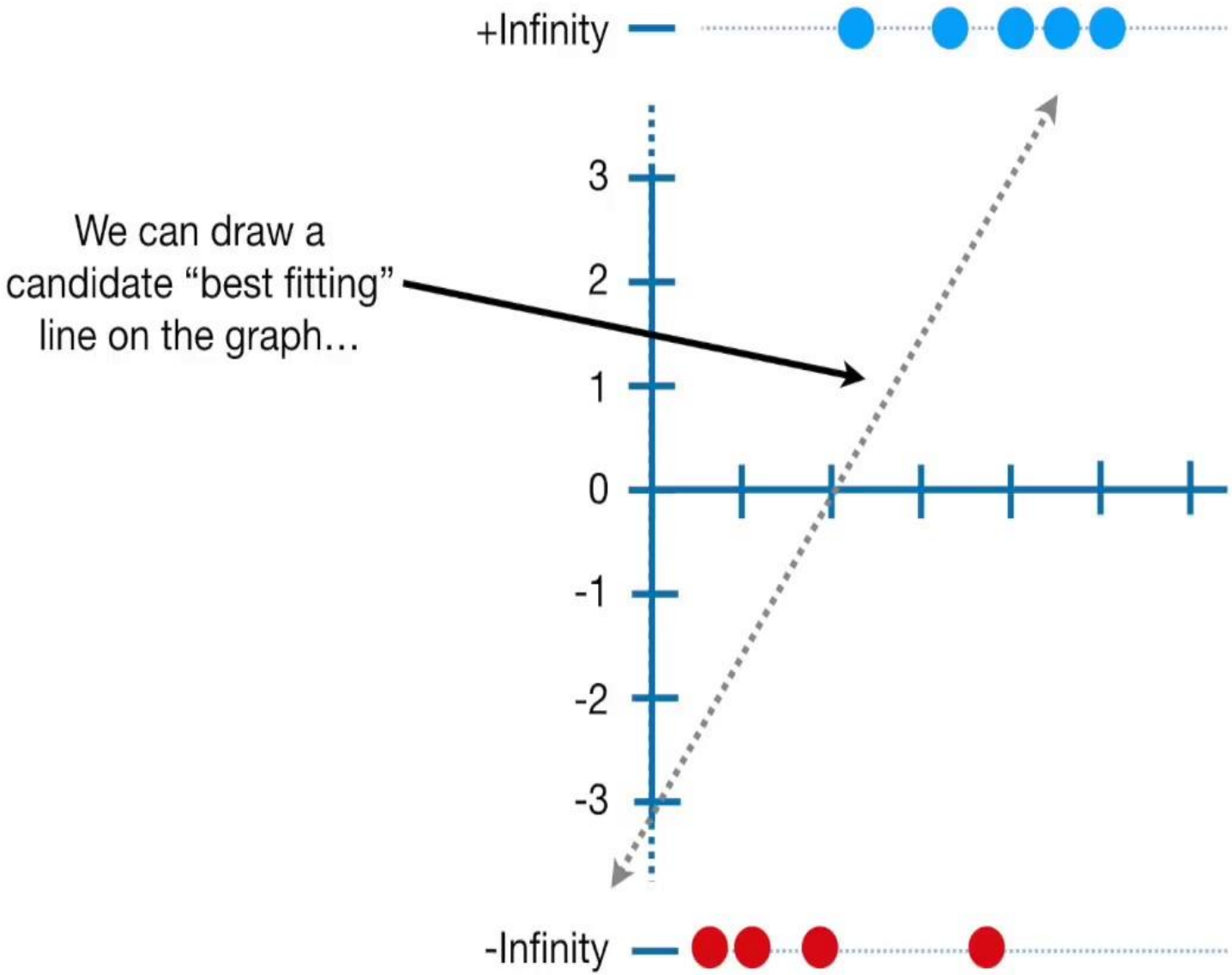
As we know, in logistic regression, we transform the y-axis from the probability of obesity…




+Infinity
…to log(odds of obesity)
1
0
3
2
1
log(odds of obesity) 0
-1
-2
-3
-Infinity



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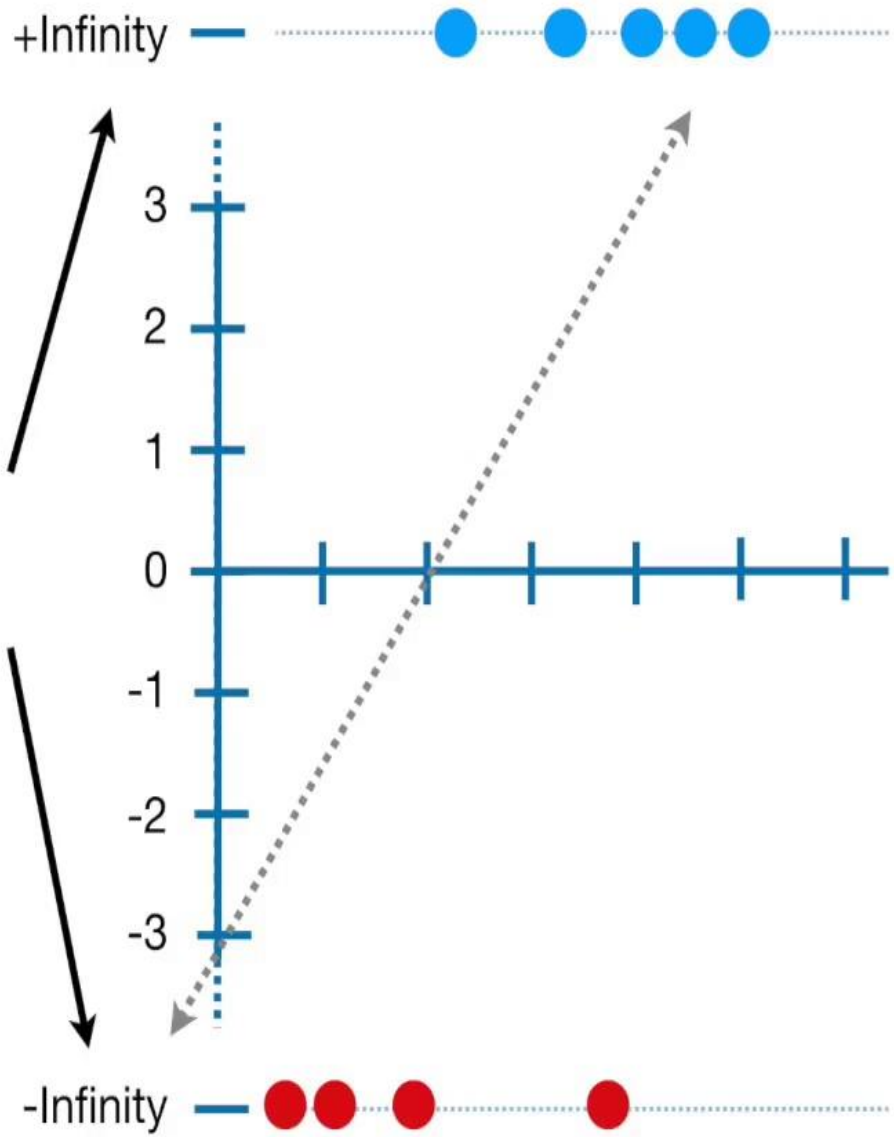
The only problem is that the transformation pushes the raw data to positive and negative infinity…



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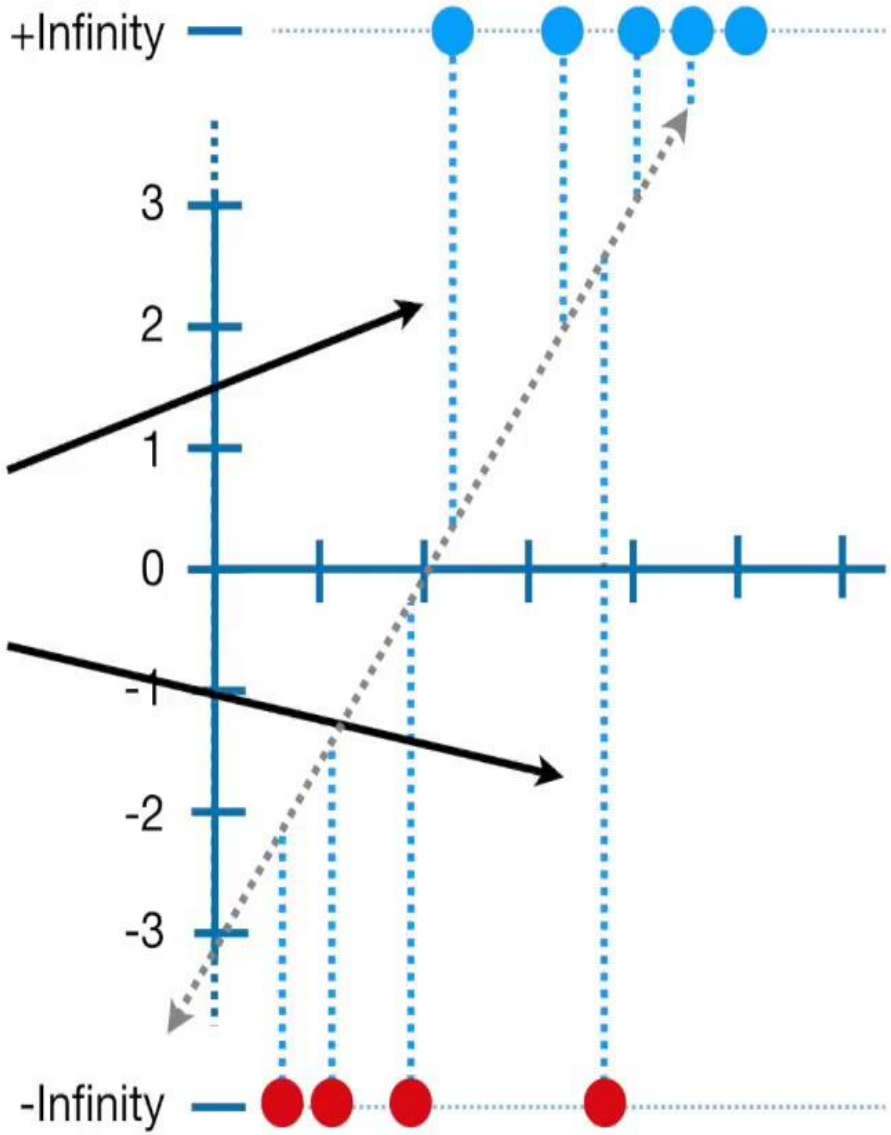
…and this means that the residuals (the distance from the data points to the line) are also equal to positive and negative infinity…



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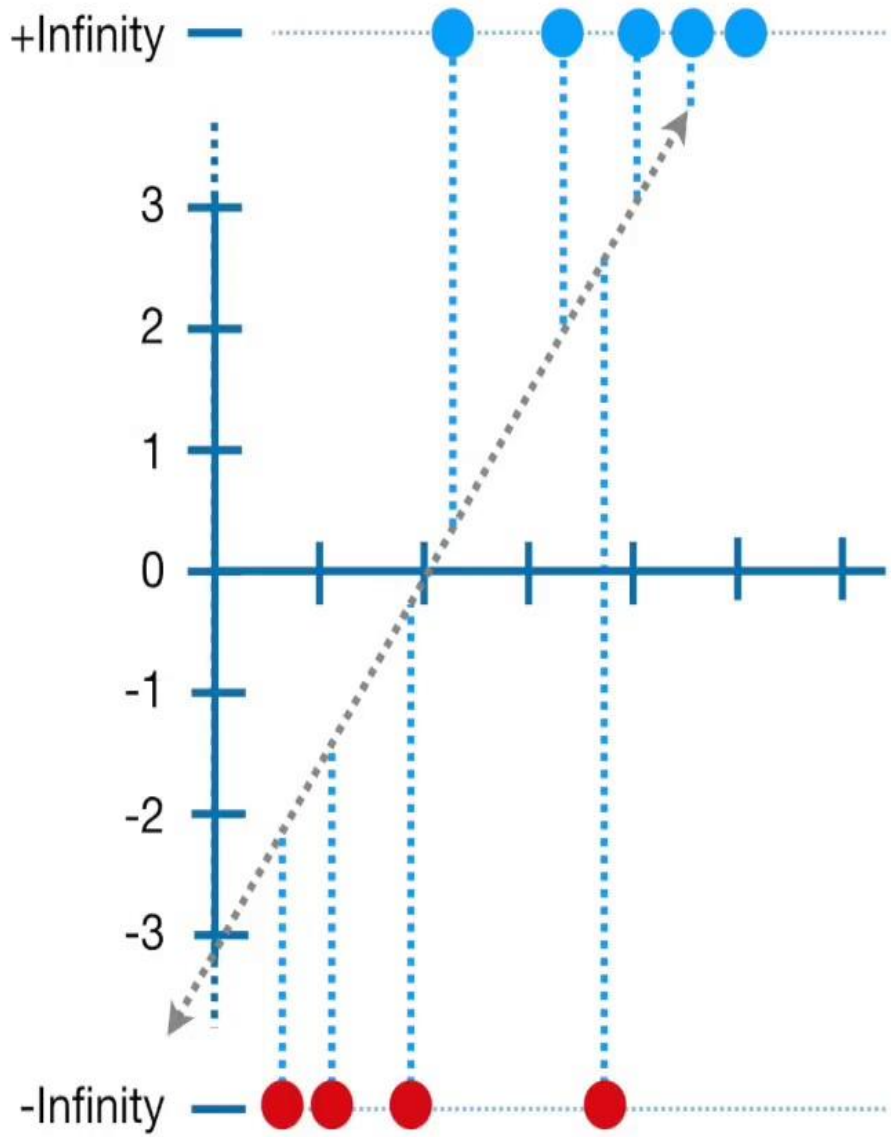
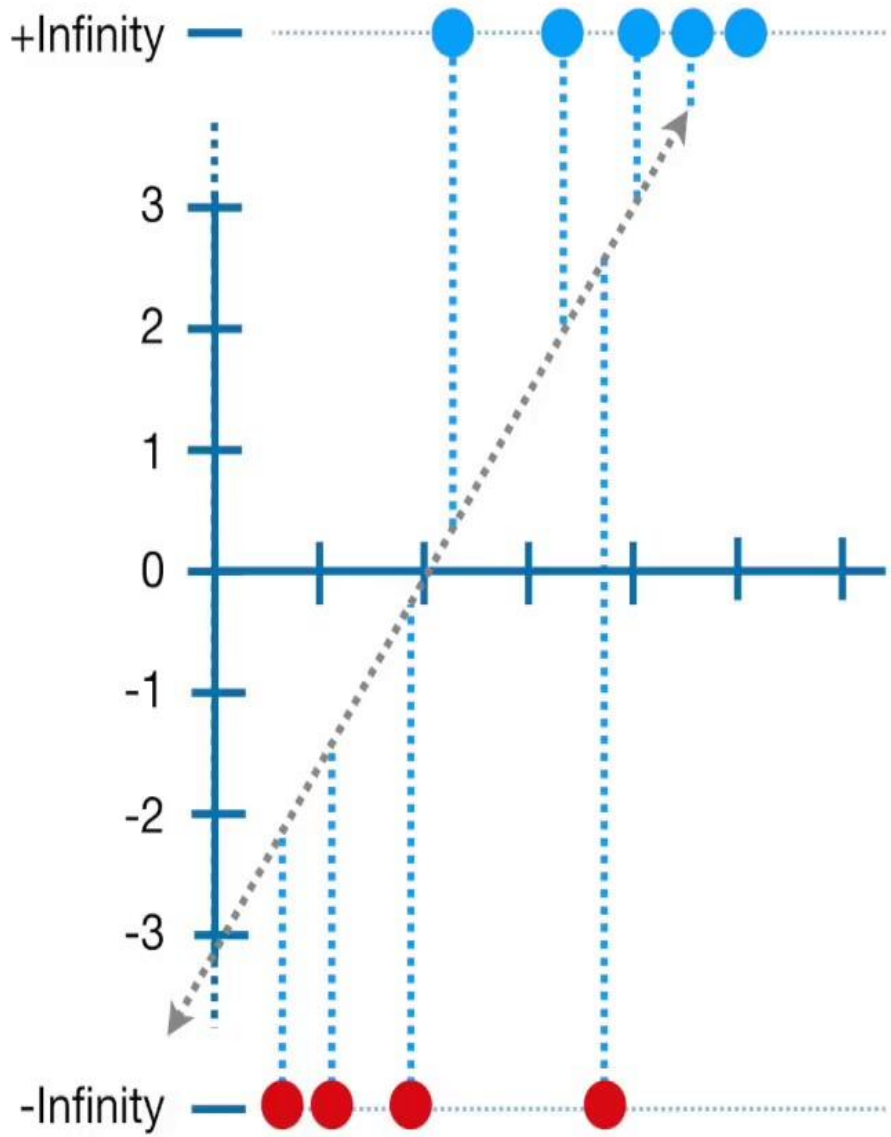
…and this means we can't use least-squares to find the best fitting line.



Instead, we use maximum likelihood…



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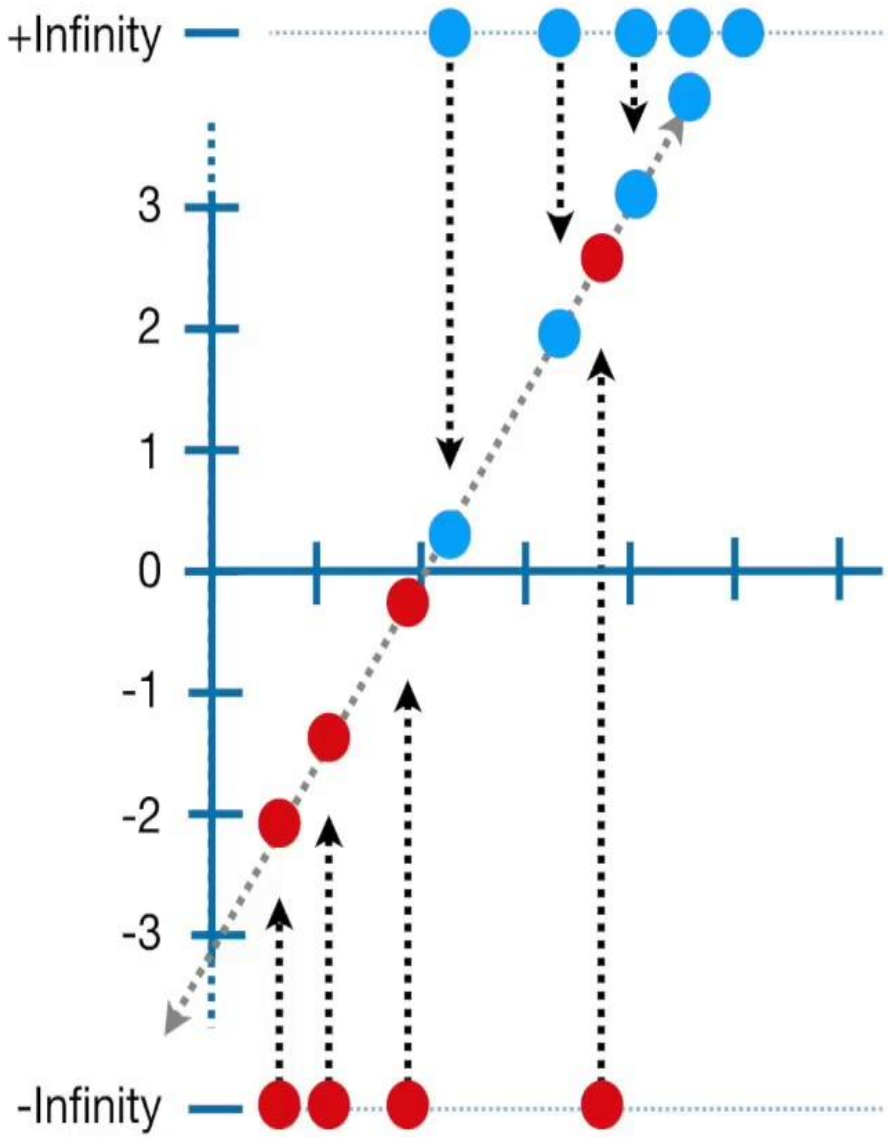
The first thing we do is project the original data points onto the candidate line.

This gives each sample a candidate log(odds) value.



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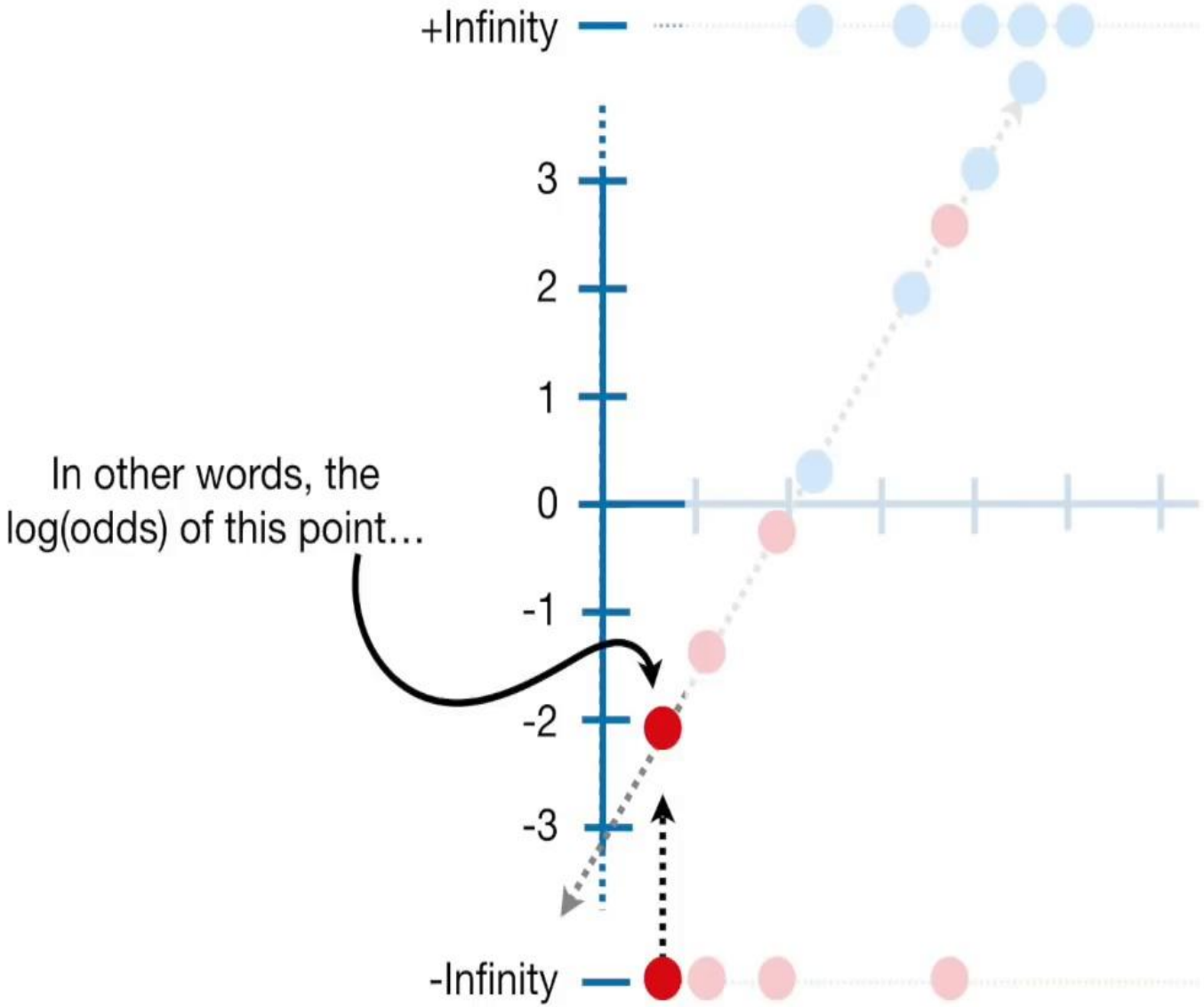

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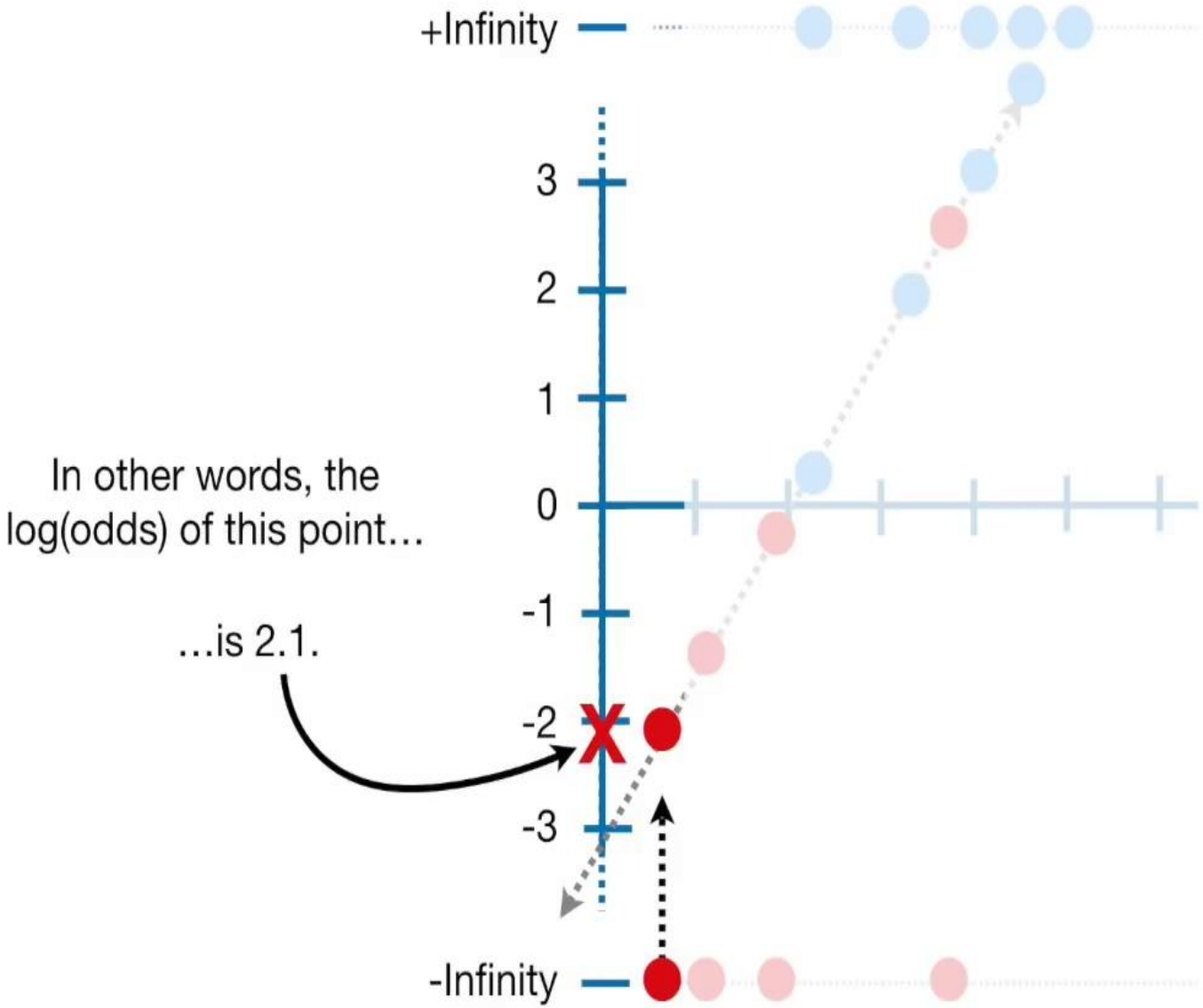

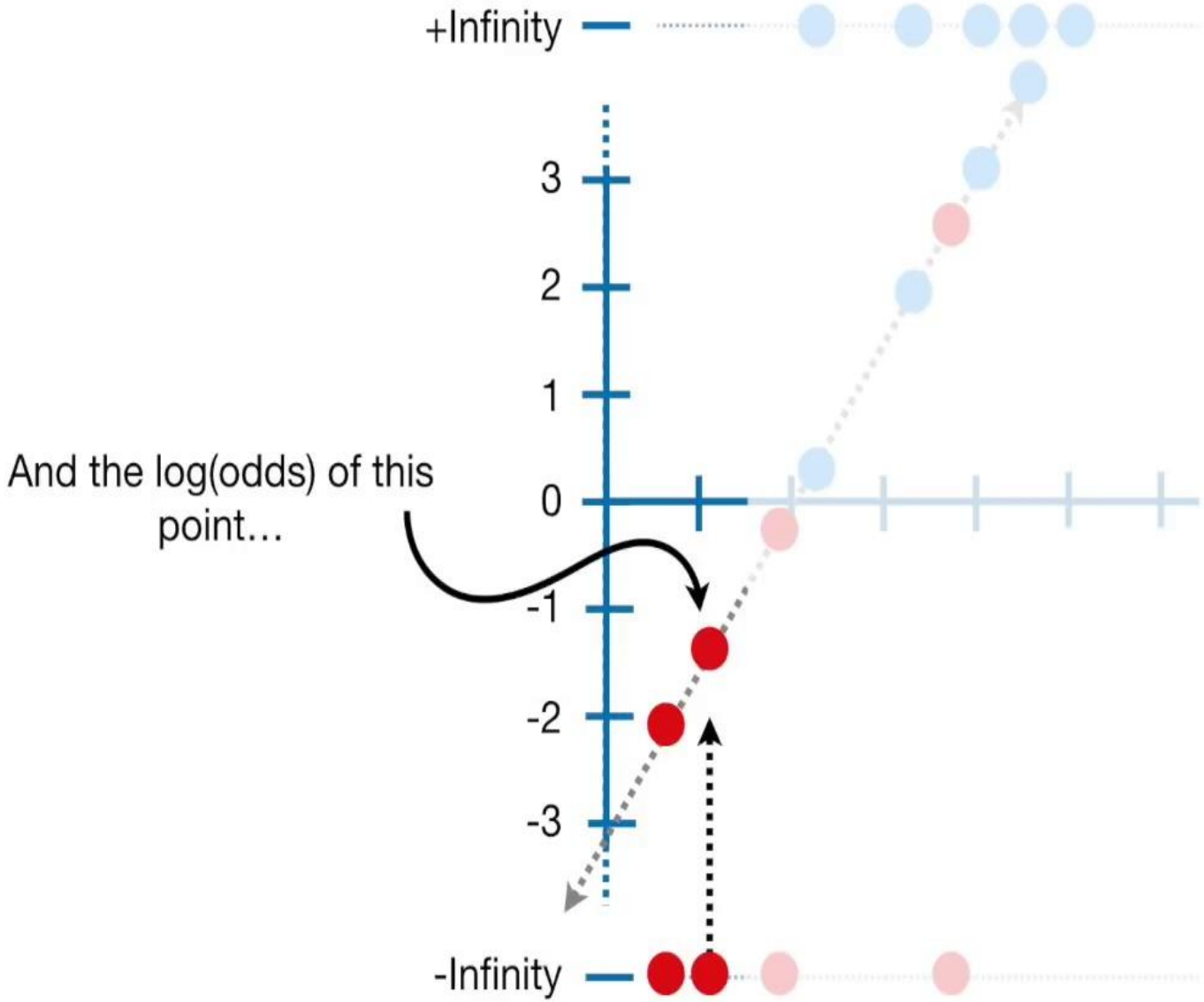

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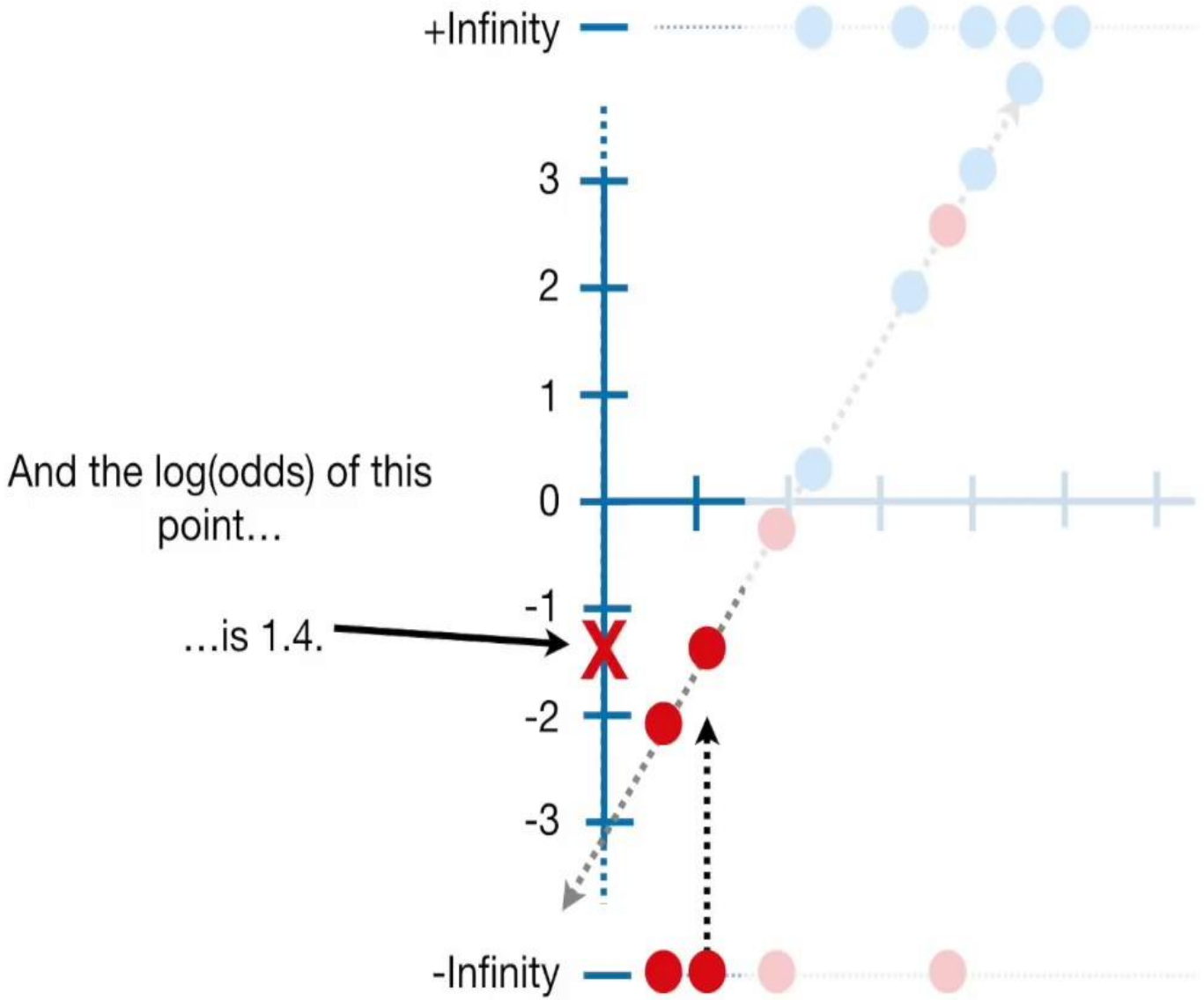
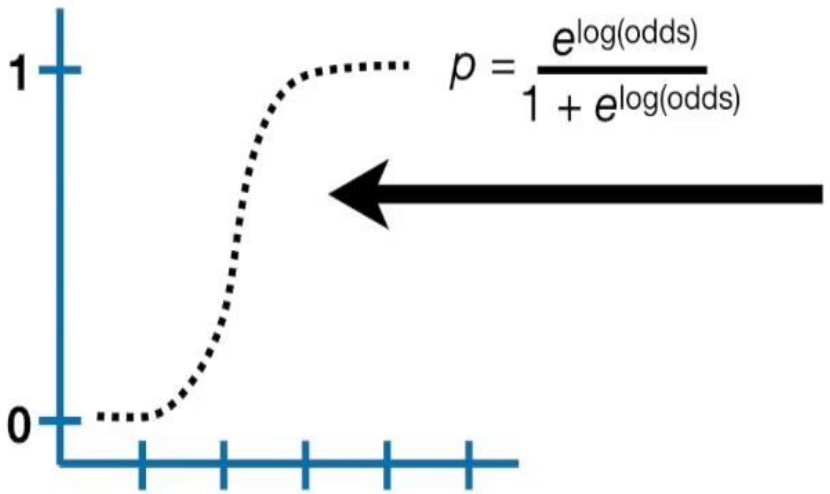
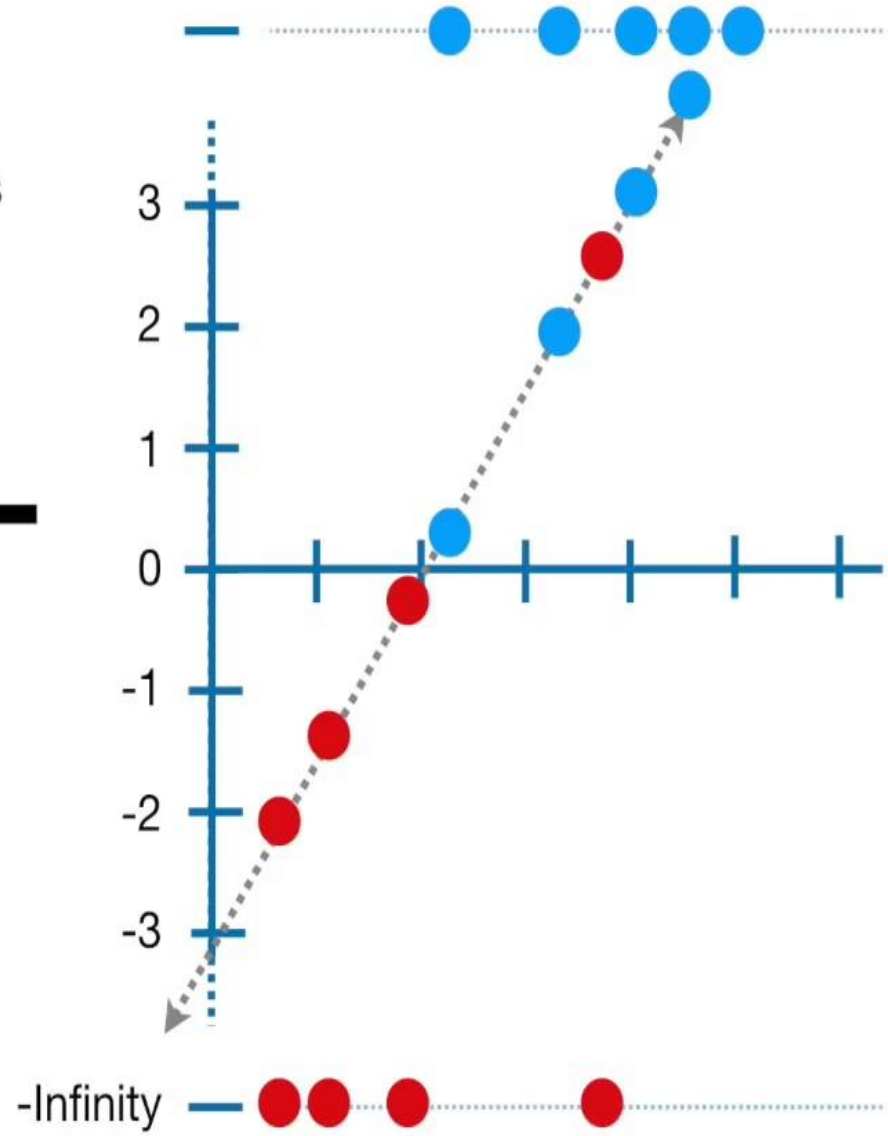


Then we transform the candidate log(odds) to candidate probabilities using this fancy looking formula…





$$\beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

$$p = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}$$

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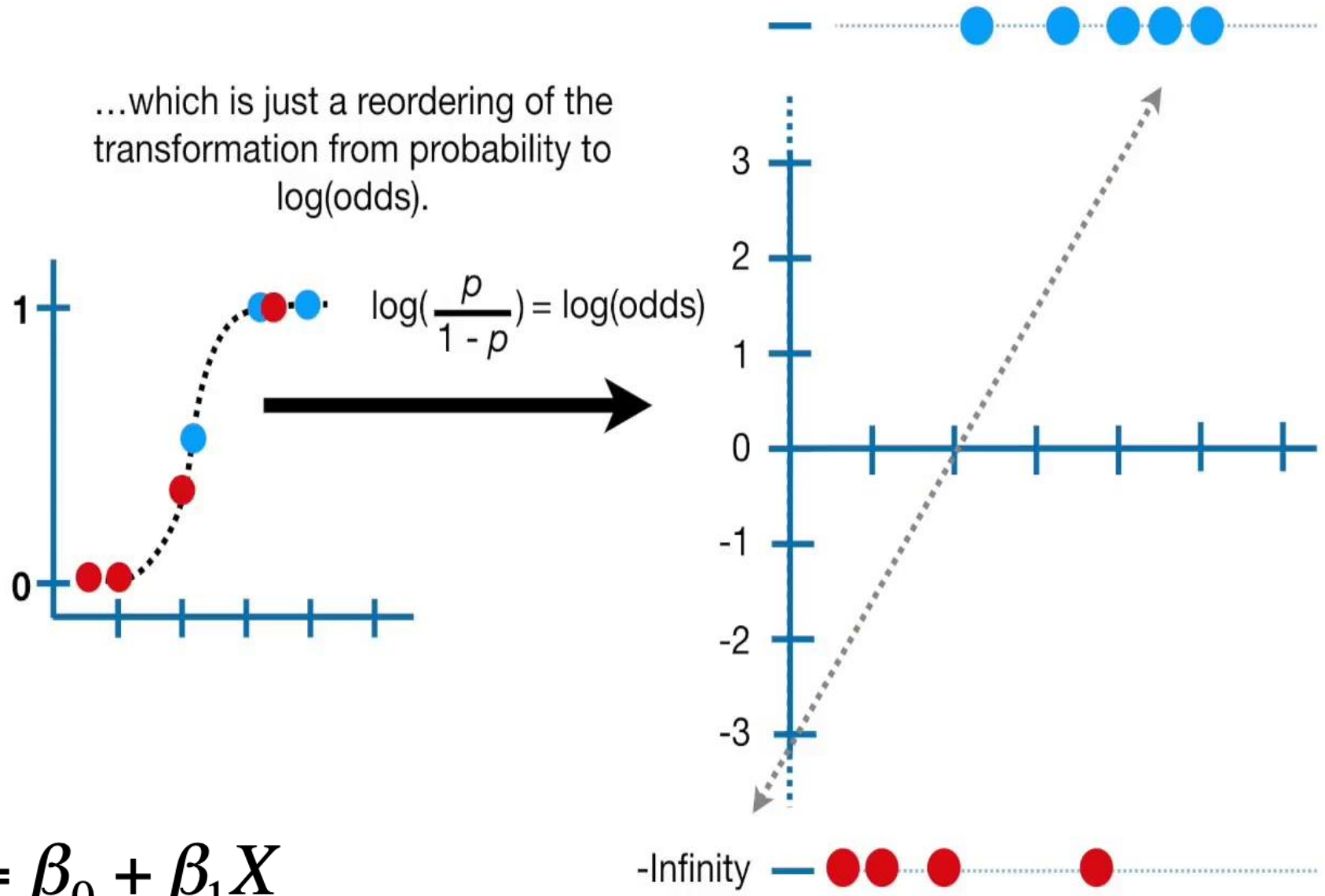


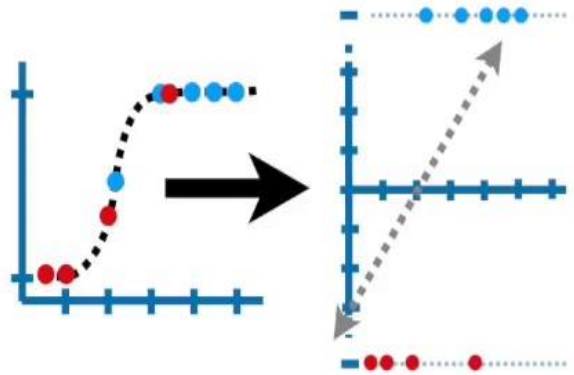
$$\ln(\frac{p}{1-p}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

Logistic Regression Equation

$$\log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = \log(\text{odds})$$

Exponentiate both sides…

$$\frac{p}{1-p} = e^{\log(\text{odds})}$$



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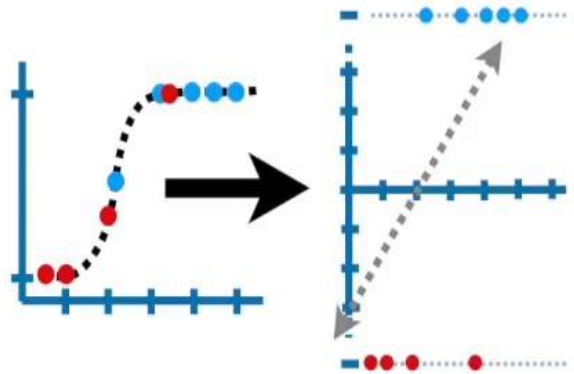
Multiply both sides by $(1 - p)$…

$$p = (1-p)e^{\log(\text{odds})}$$



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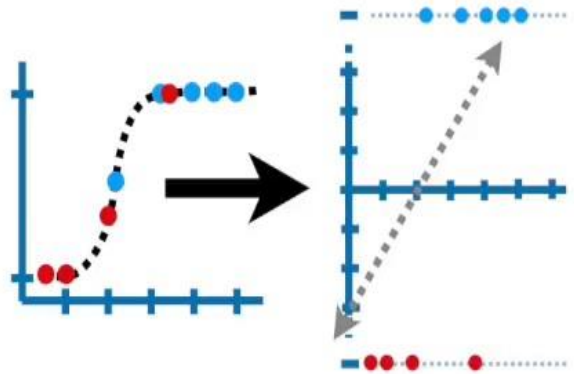

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$$p = (1-p)e^{\log(\text{odds})}$$

Multiply $(1 - p)$ and $e^{\log(\text{odds})}$…

$$p = e^{\log(\text{odds})} - pe^{\log(\text{odds})}$$

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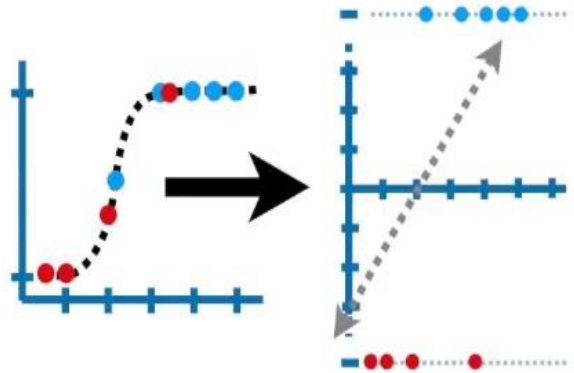

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Multiply both sides by $(1 - p)$… $p = (1 - p)e^{\log(\text{odds})}$

Multiply $(1 - p)$ and $e^{\log(\text{odds})}$… $p = e^{\log(\text{odds})} - pe^{\log(\text{odds})}$

Add $pe^{\log(\text{odds})}$ to both sides… $p + pe^{\log(\text{odds})} = e^{\log(\text{odds})}$

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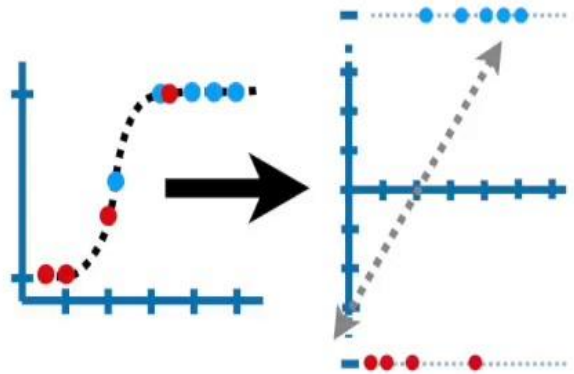

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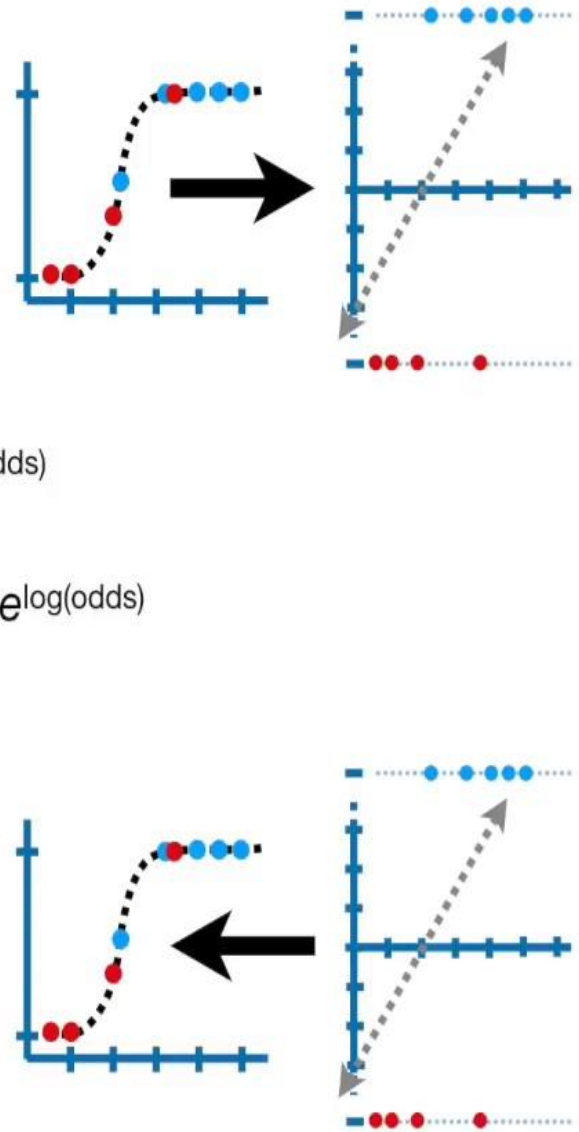

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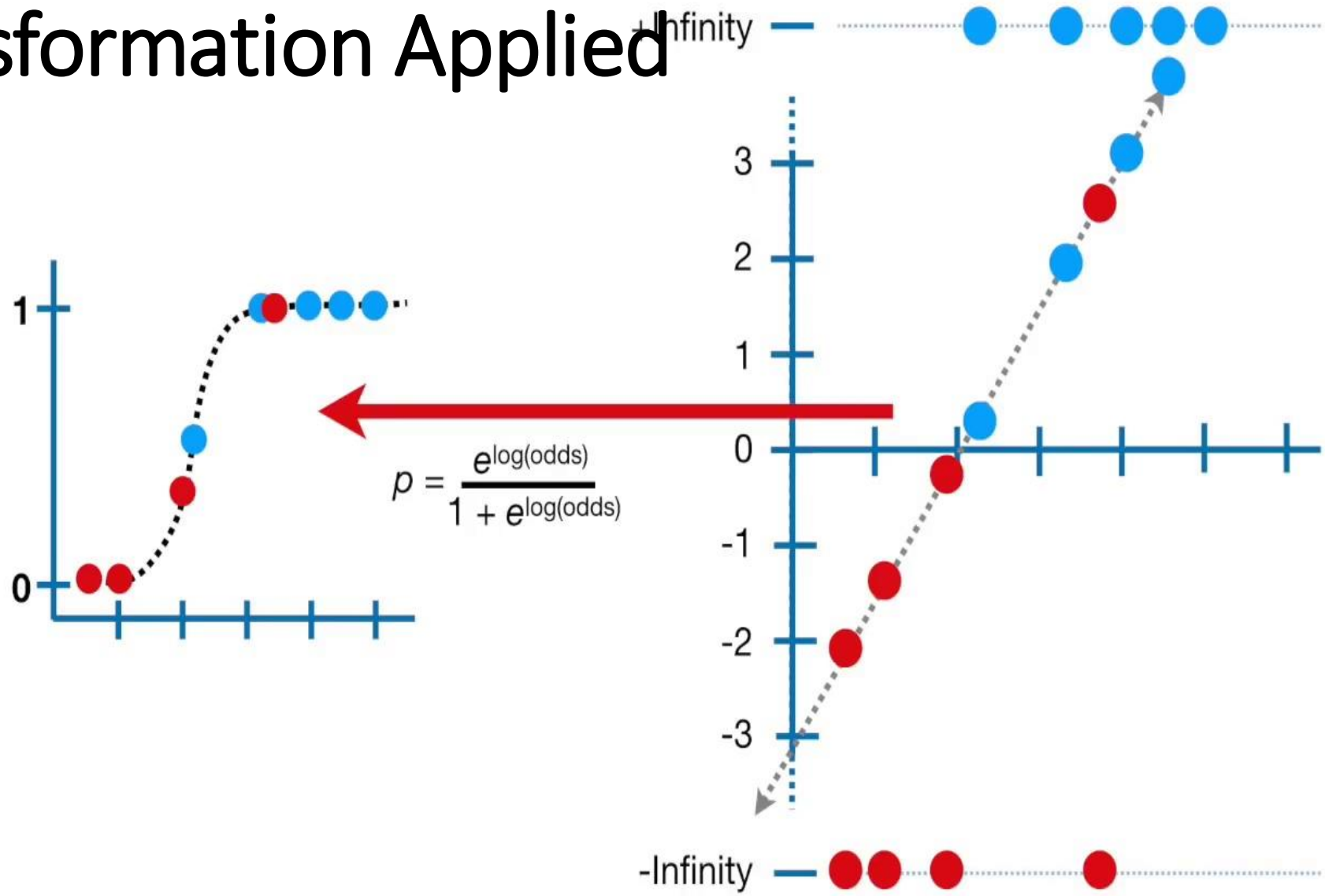
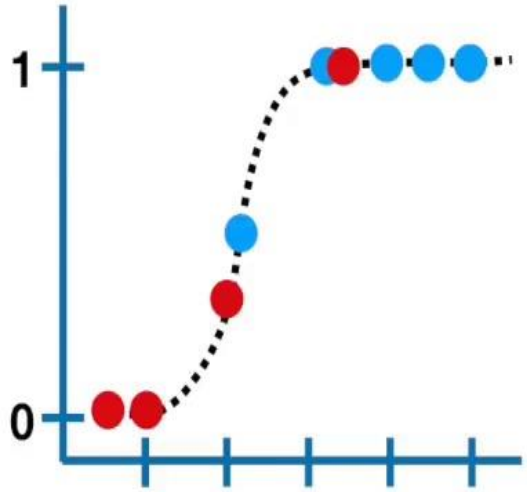


Find Best Line

Now we use the observed status (**obese** or **not obese**) to calculate their likelihood given the shape of the squiggly line.



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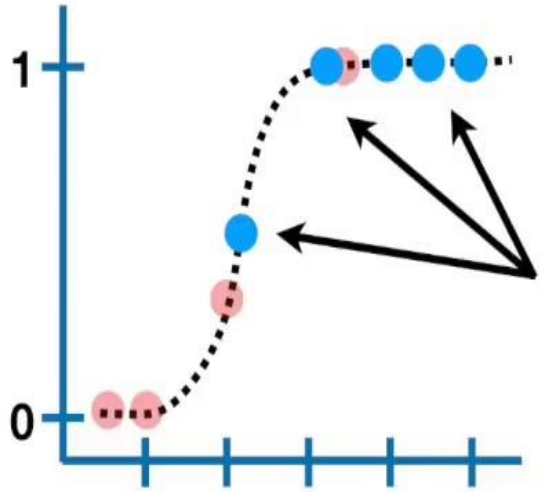

We'll start by calculating the likelihood of the **obese** mice, given the shape of the squiggle.

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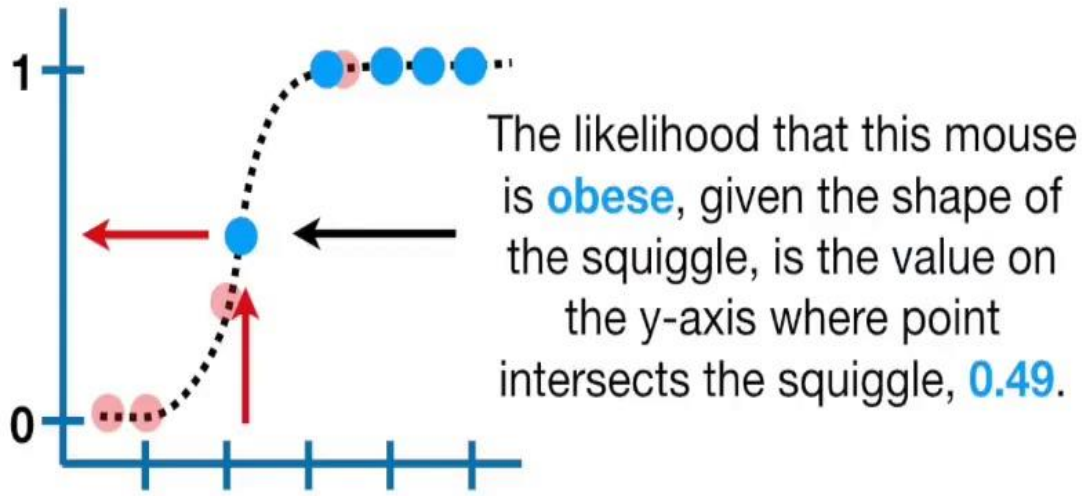

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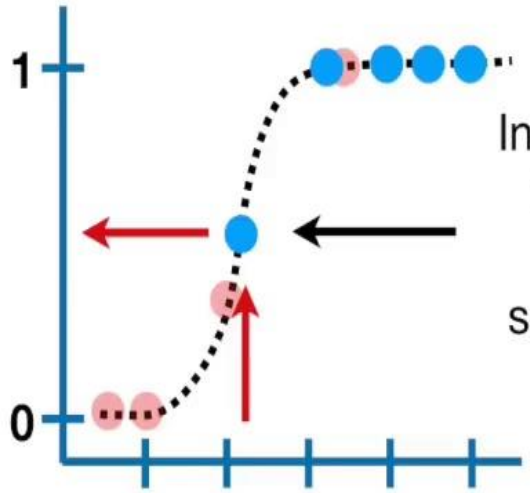

In other words, the likelihood that this mouse is **obese**, given the shape of the squiggle, is the same as the predicted probability.

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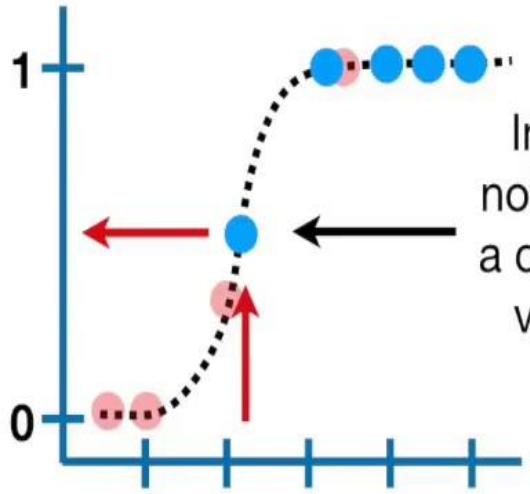
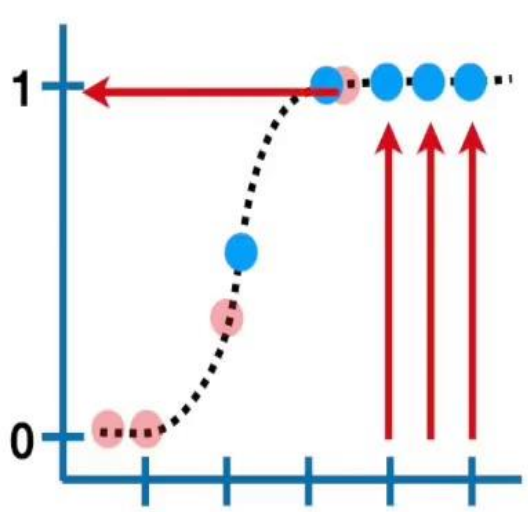


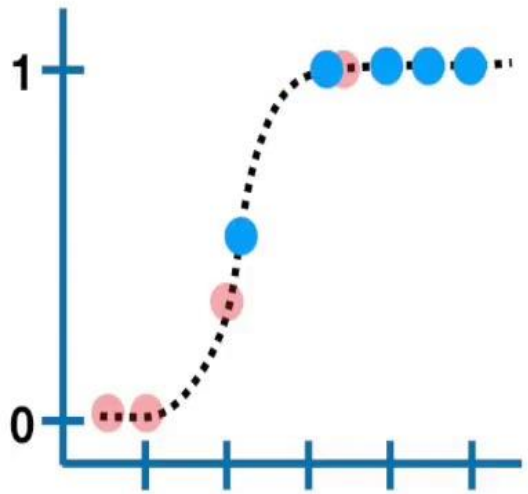
In this case, the probability is not calculated as the area under a curve, but instead is the y-axis value, and that's why it is the same as the likelihood.

Find Best Line



The likelihoods that these mice are obese are 0.91, 0.91 and 0.92

likelihood of data given the squiggle = 0.49 x 0.9 x 0.91 x 0.91 x 0.92 x …



The likelihood for all of the **obese** mice is just the product of the individual likelihoods.

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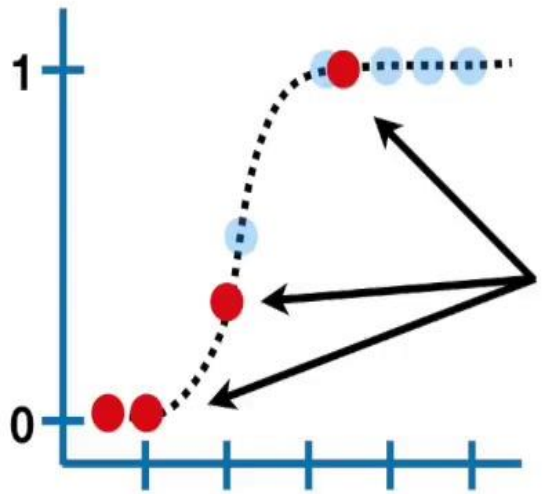

NOTE: The lower the probability of being obese, the higher the probability of not being obese.

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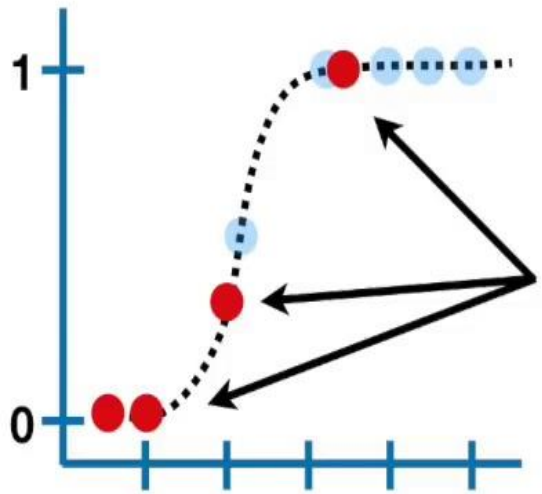

Thus, for these mice, the
likelihood = (1 - probability the mouse is **obese**)

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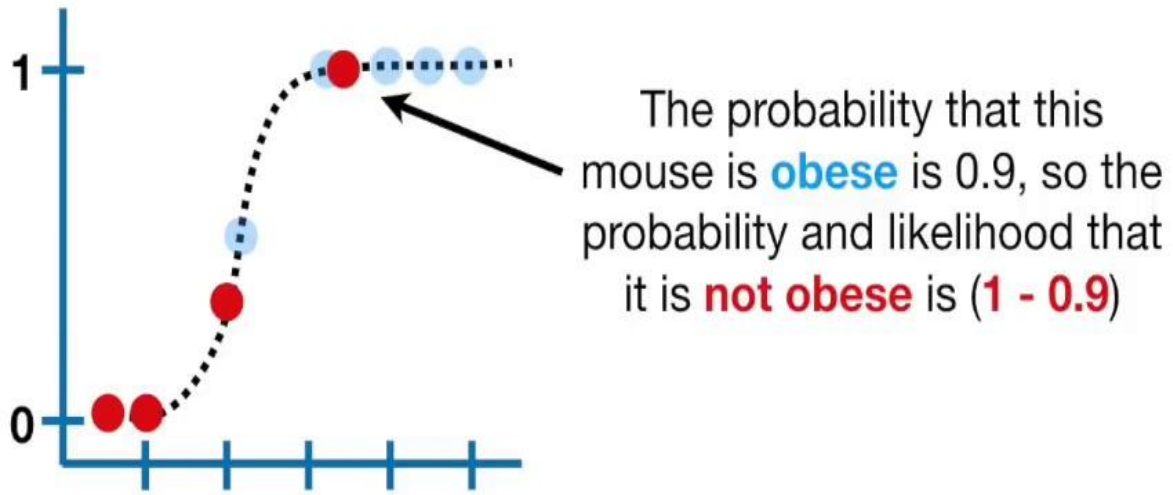

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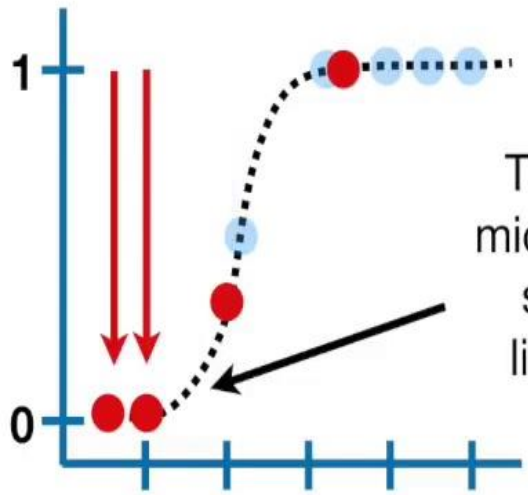
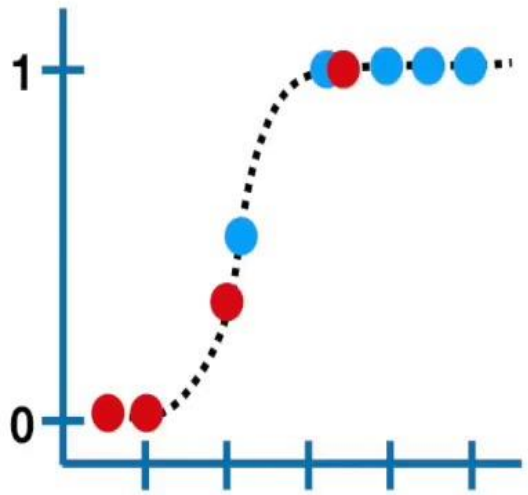


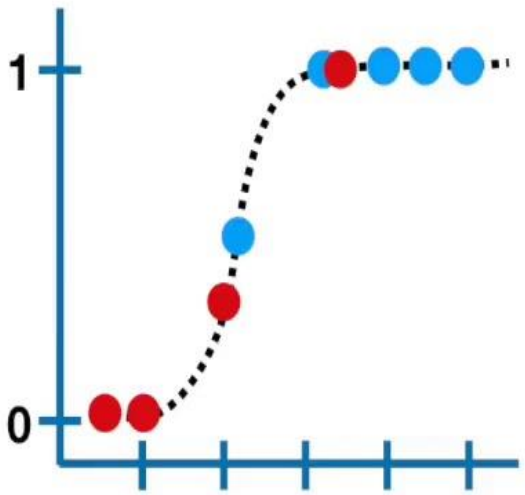
The probabilities that these mice are **obese** are both 0.01, so the probability and the likelihood that they are **not obese** is (**1 - 0.01**)

likelihood of data given the squiggle = $0.49 \times 0.9 \times 0.91 \times 0.91 \times 0.92 \times (1 - 0.9) \times (1 - 0.3) \times (1 - 0.01) \times (1 - 0.01)$



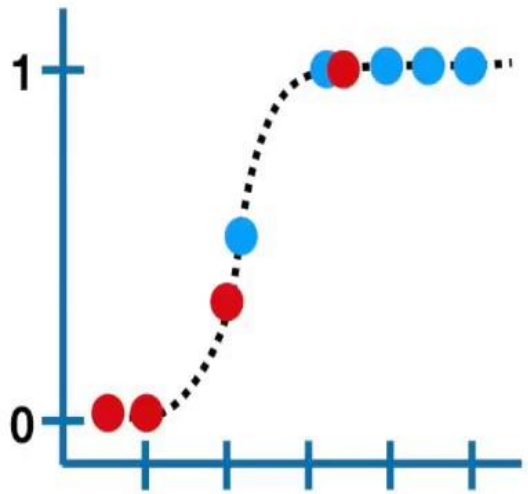
NOTE: Although it is possible to calculate the likelihood as the product of the individual likelihoods, statisticians prefer to calculate the **log of the likelihood** instead.

log(likelihood of data given the squiggle) = log(0.49) + log(0.9) + log(0.91) + log(0.91) +
log(0.92) + log(1 - 0.9) + log(1 - 0.3) +
log(1 - 0.01) + log(1 - 0.01)



With the log of the likelihood, or "log-likelihood" to those in the know, we **add the logs of the individual likelihoods** instead of multiplying the individual likelihoods…

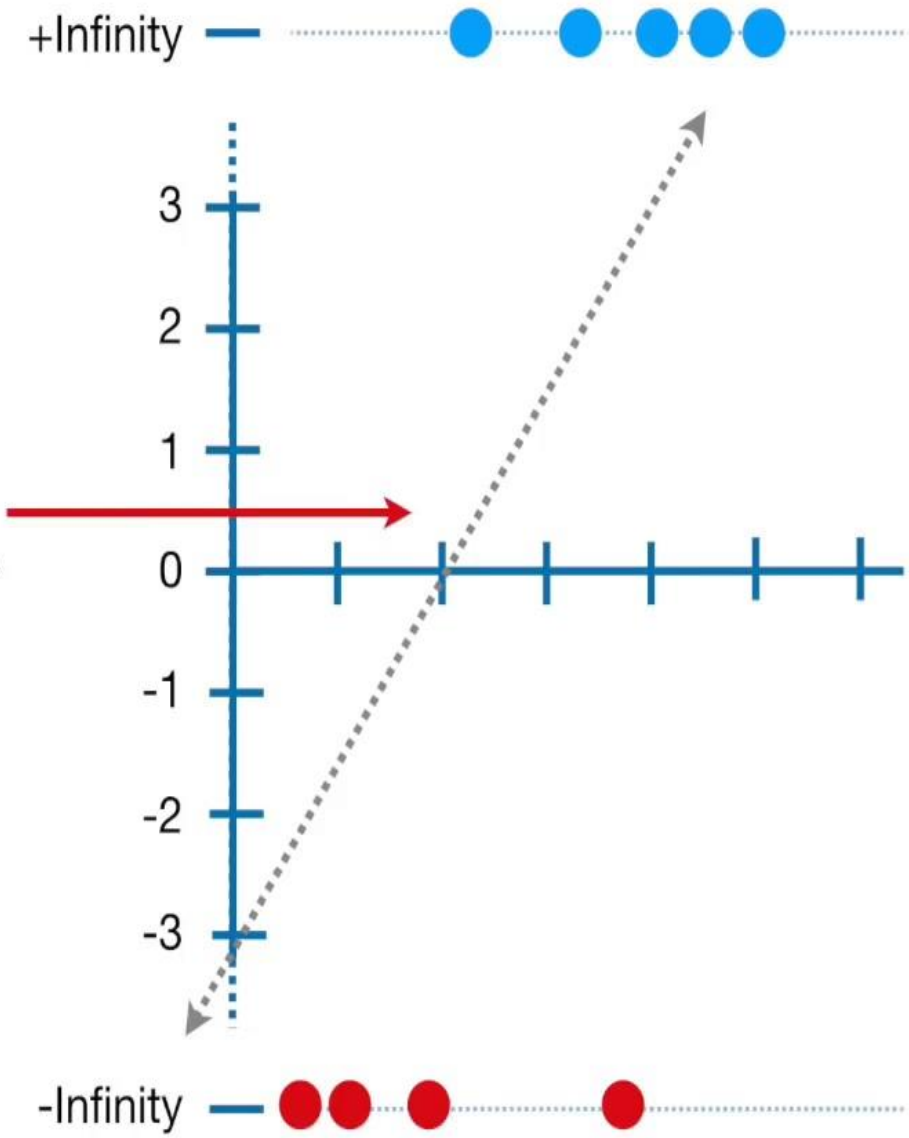
log(likelihood of data given the squiggle) = -3.77



Thus, the log-likelihood of the data given the squiggle is -3.77…

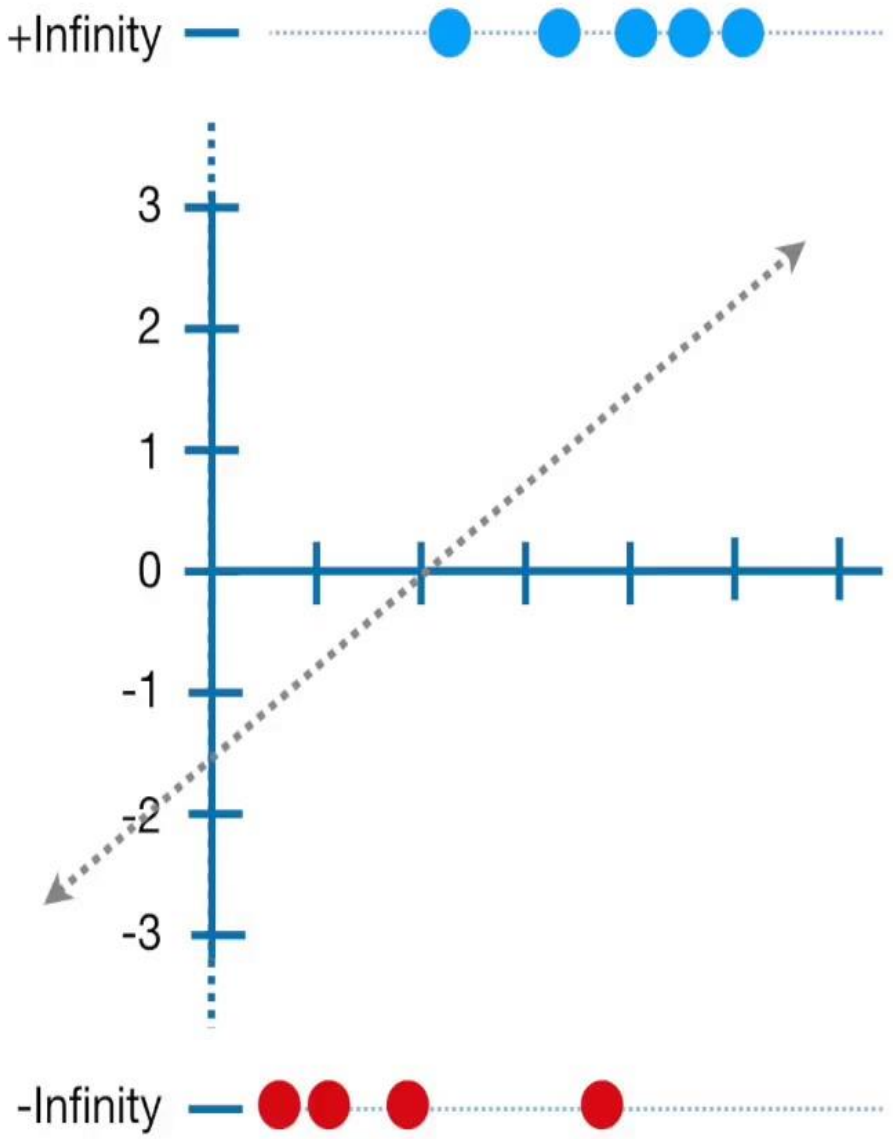
Find Best Line

…and this means that the log-likelihood of the original line is -3.77.



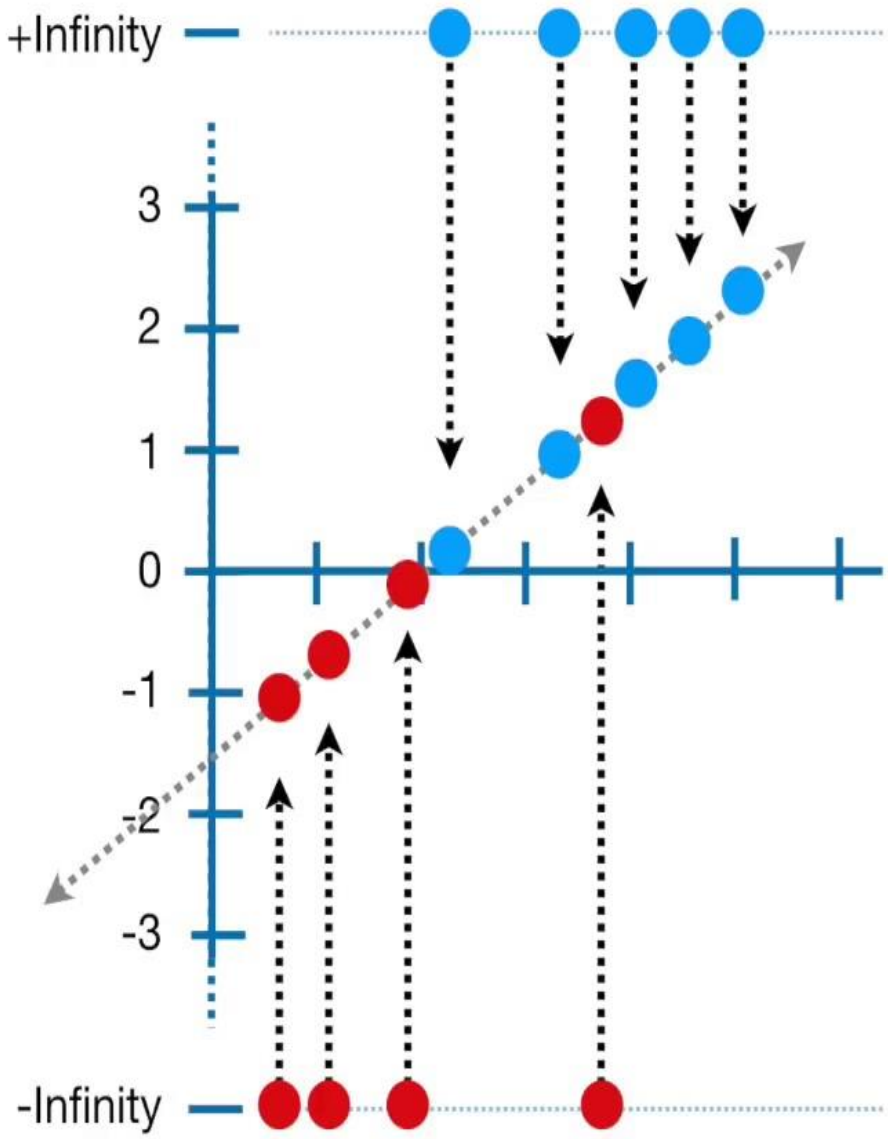
Find Best Line

Now we rotate the line…



Find Best Line

…and calculate its log-likelihood by projecting the data onto it…



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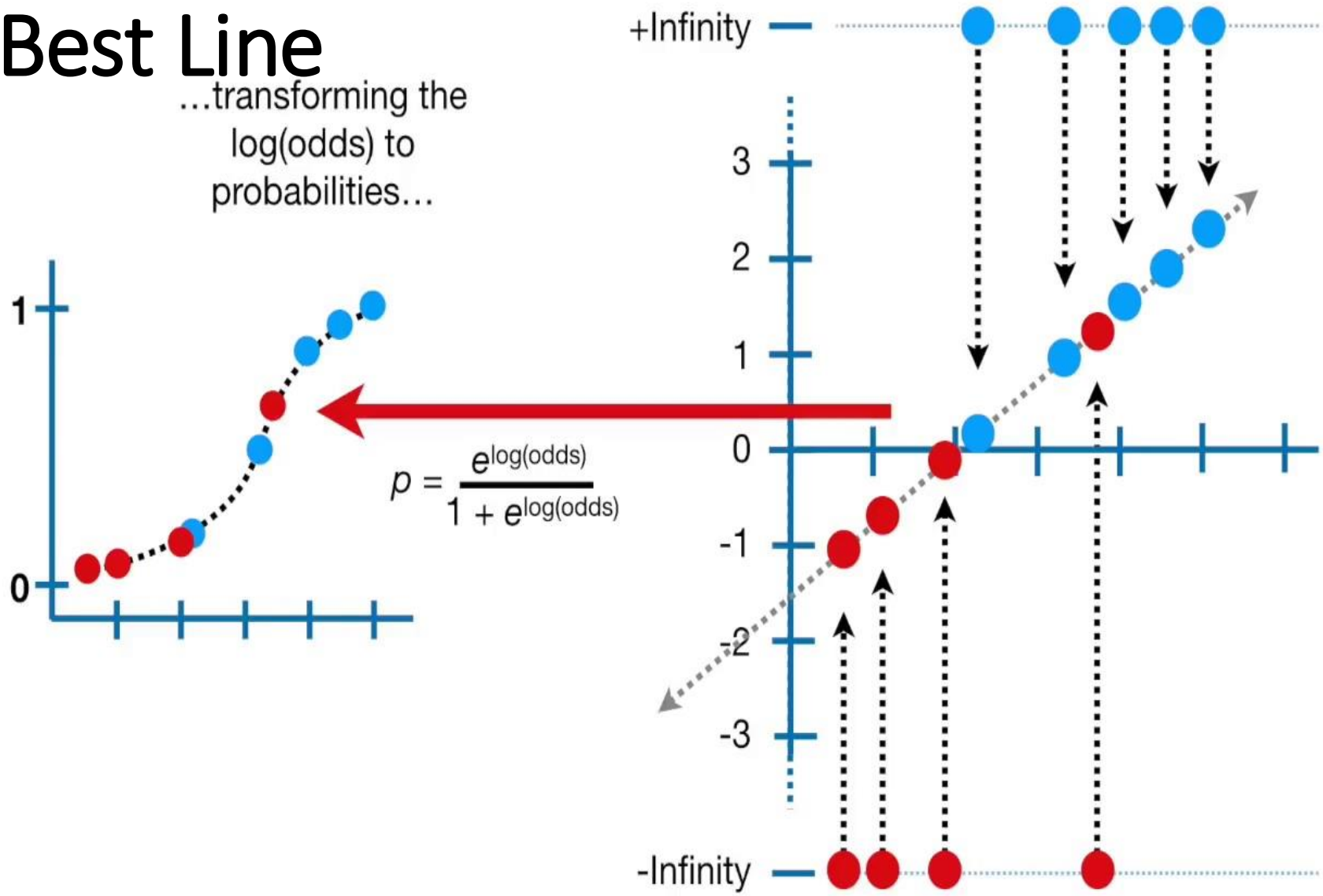
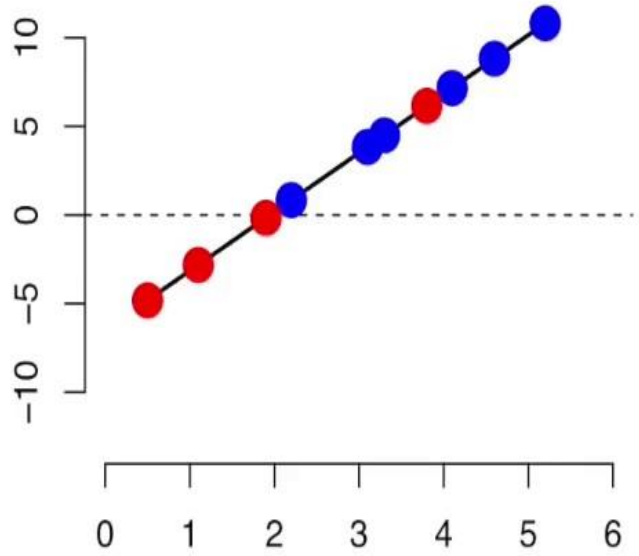


Find Best Line

…and we just keep rotating the log(odds) line and projecting the data onto it…



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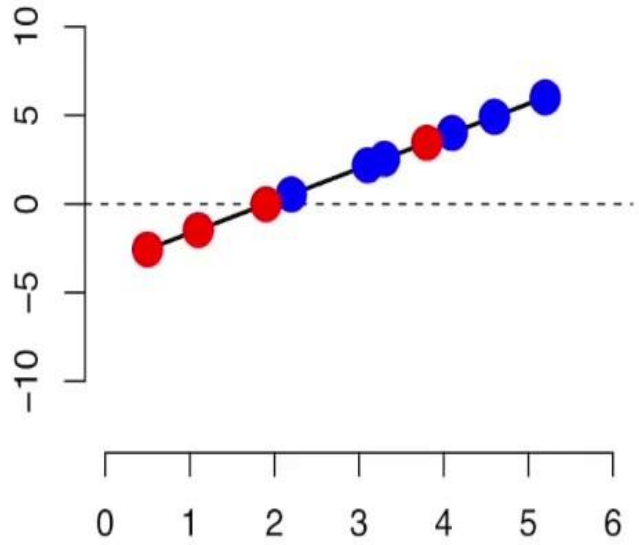

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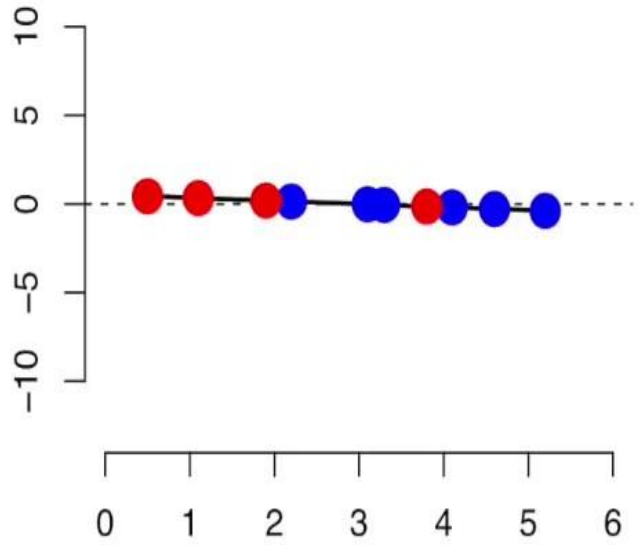

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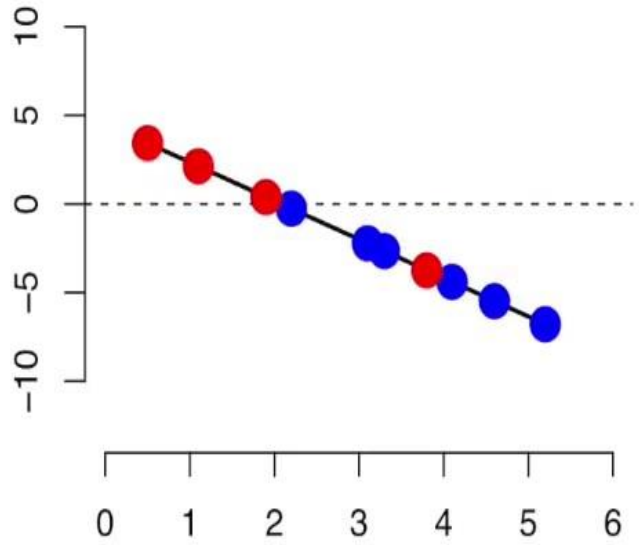
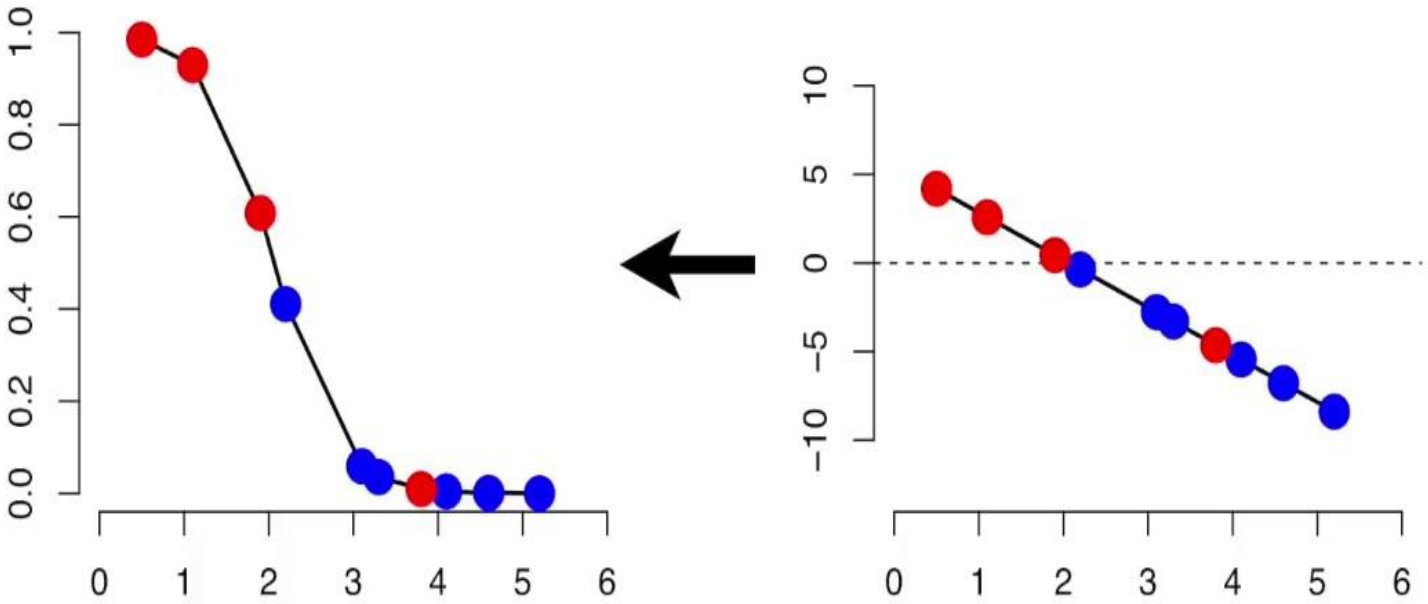


…and transforming it to probabilities and calculating the log-likelihood.



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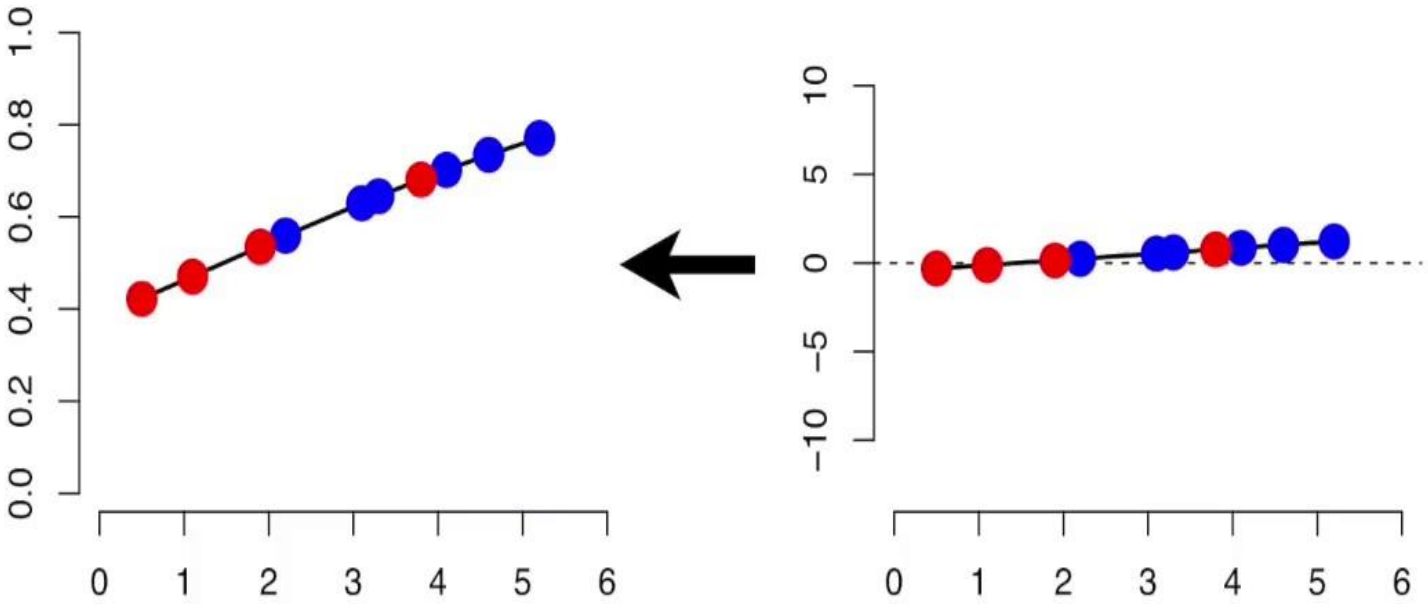

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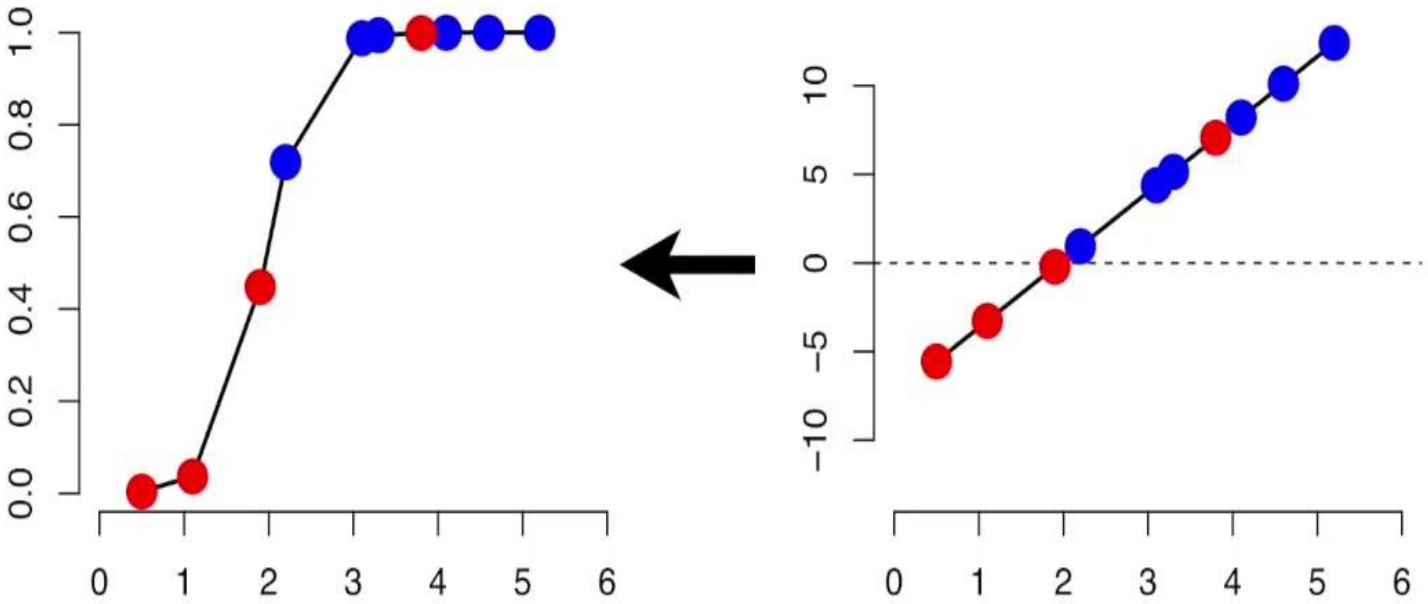
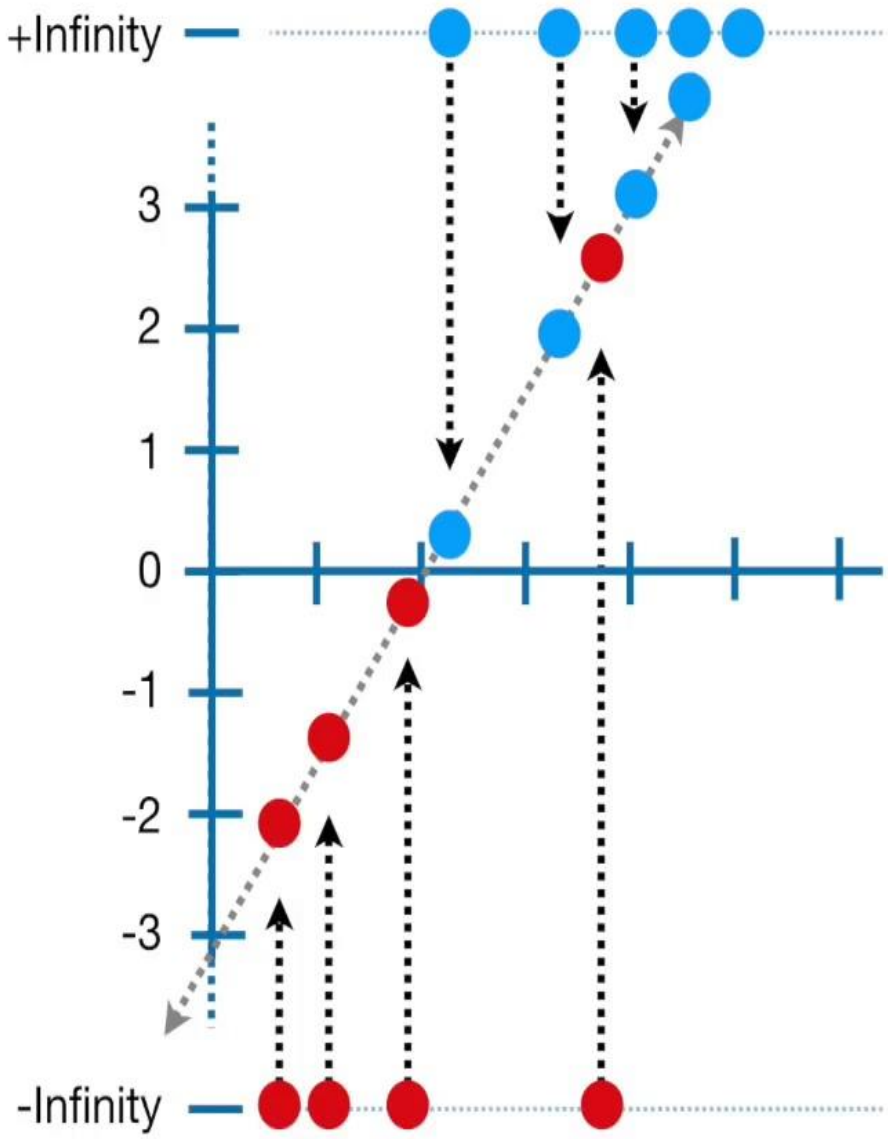
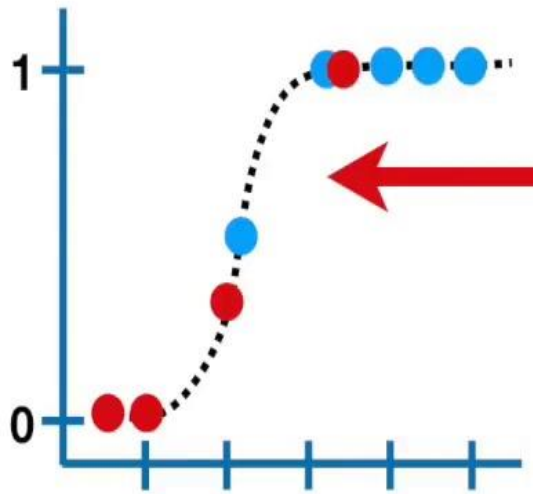


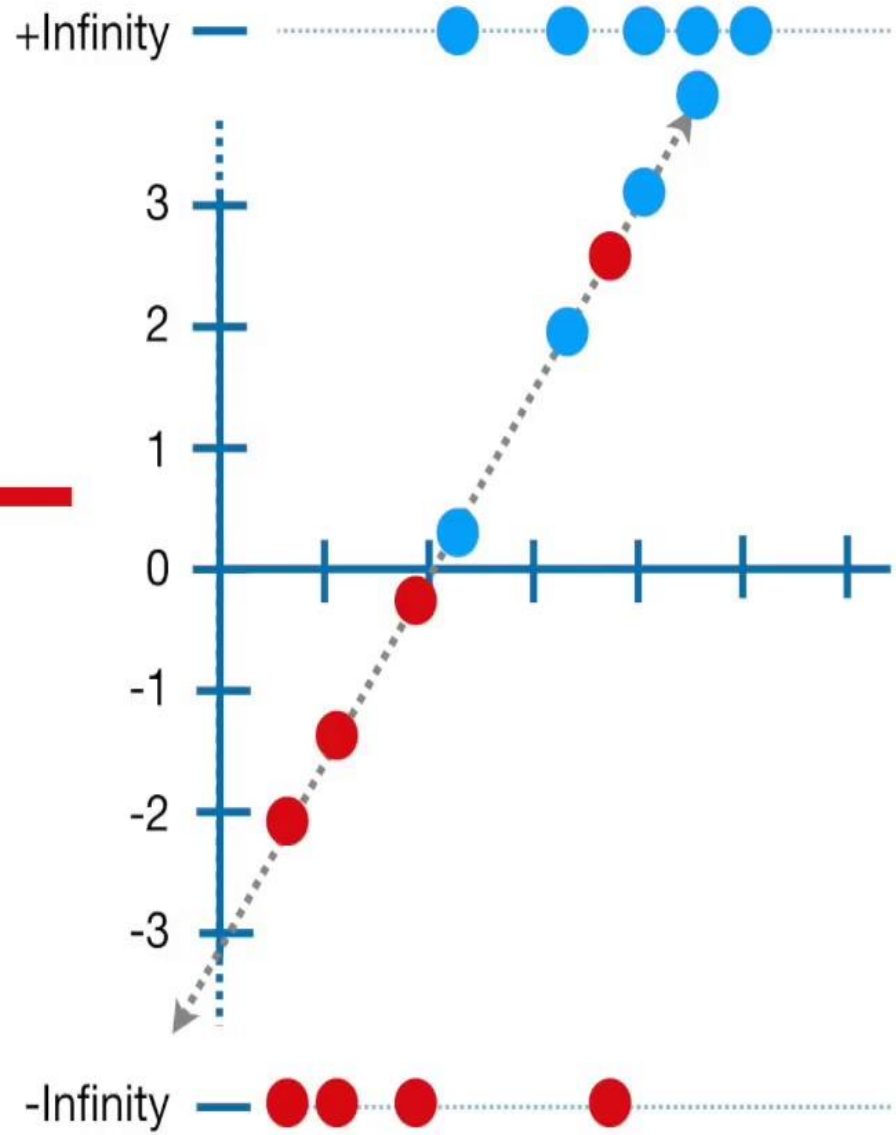
Find Best Line

NOTE: The algorithm that finds the line with the maximum likelihood is pretty smart - each time it rotates the line, it does so in a way that increases the log-likelihood. Thus, the algorithm can find the optimal fit after a few rotations.



Ultimately we get a line that maximizes the likelihood and that's the one chosen to have the best fit.



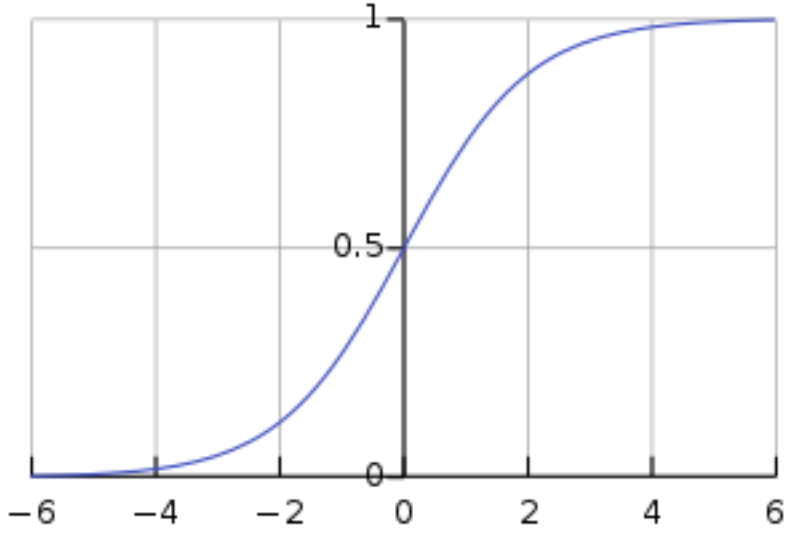


Recovering Probabilities from Log Odds

$$\ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{p}{1-p} = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X)}}$$



- which gives *p* as the sigmoid function!

Logistic Regression

- In Logistic Regression we seek a model

$$Y = logit(p) = log(p/(1-p))$$

- That is, the **log odds, i.e., the logit,** is assumed to be linearly related to the independent variable X
- In this way it is possible to solve an ordinary (linear) regression.

Interpretation of Beta1

- Let:
  - odds1 = odds for value X (p/(1–p))
  - odds2 = odds for value X + 1 unit
- Then:

$$\frac{odds2}{odds1} = \frac{e^{b_0 + b_1(X+1)}}{e^{b_0 + b_1 X}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{(b_0 + b_1 X) + b_1}}{e^{b_0 + b_1 X}} = \frac{e^{(b_0 + b_1 X)} e^{b_1}}{e^{b_0 + b_1 X}} = e^{b_1}$$

If the odds ratio of two consecutive value is large it means that an increment on X has a large impact in the prediction of Y.

- The exponent of the slope describes the proportionate rate at which the predicted odds ratio changes with each successive unit of *X*

Example

- Hours: 0.50, 0.75, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.25, 3.50, 4.00, 4.25, 4.50, 4.75, 5.00, 5.50
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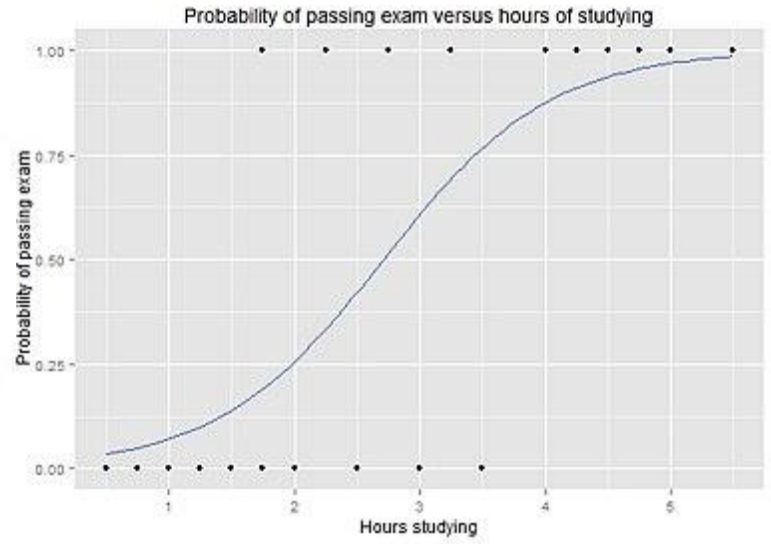
Beta0 = −4.0777, Beta1 = 1.5046



One additional hour of study is estimated to increase log-odds by 1.5046, so multiplying odds by $e^{1.5046} = 4.5$.

For example, for a student who studies 2 hours we have an estimated probability of passing the exam of 0.26.

Similarly, for a student who studies 4 hours, the estimated probability of passing the exam is 0.87.

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