

KECE471 Computer Vision

# Segmentation by Fitting a Model

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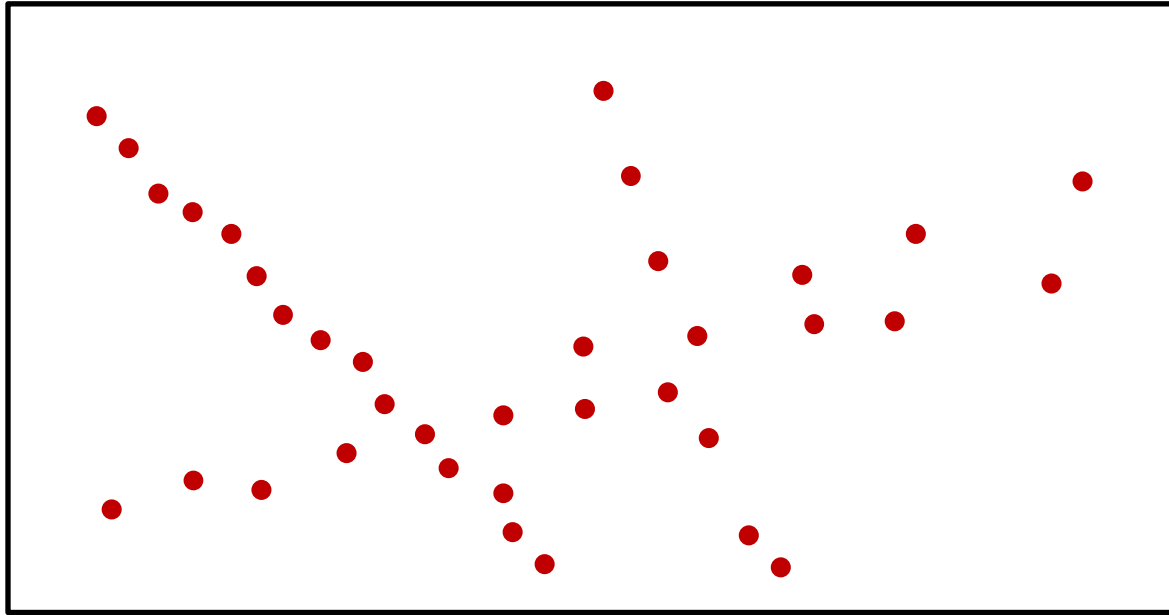
Note: Dr. Forsyth's notes are partly used.

Jun-Sung Kim in Korea University made the first draft of these slides

# Fitting

- Choose an object (or model) to represent a set of tokens
  - Objects : line, circle, ellipse, and etc
  - e.g. Find a line that best describes a set of points
  
- Three main questions
  - What object represents this set of tokens best?
  - Which objects are associated with which tokens?
  - How many objects are there?

# Line Fitting



- Three main questions
  - What line represents this set of points best?
  - Which lines gets which tokens?
  - How many lines are there?

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- Hough Transform

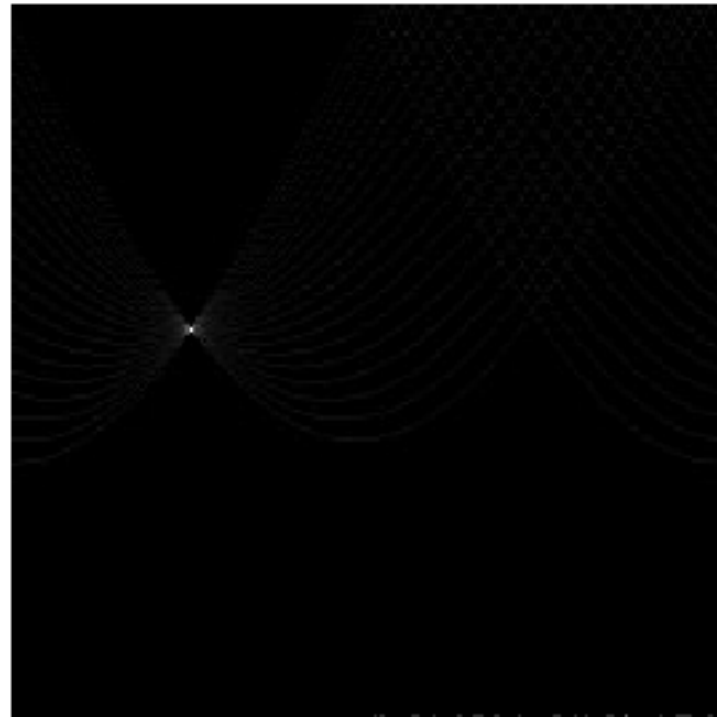
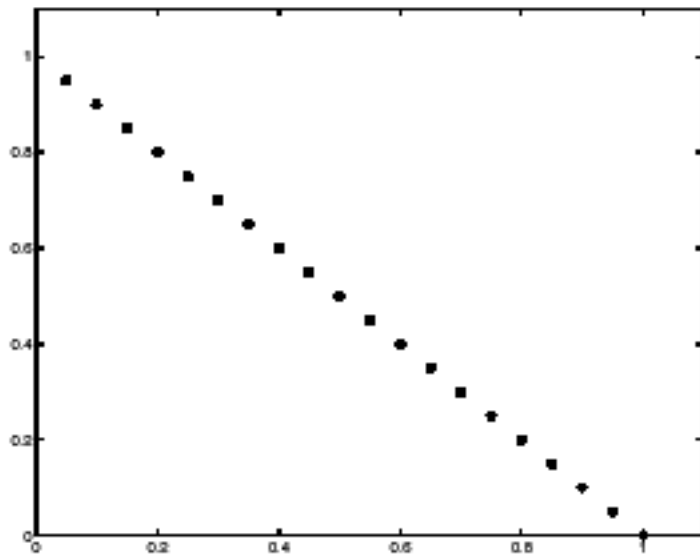
- It may answer all three questions
- A line is the set of point  $(x, y)$  such that

$$x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta - r = 0$$

1. For a point  $(x_0, y_0)$ , there is a family of lines through the point
  - Different choices of  $\theta$  give different lines
2. Each point casts a vote for each line in the corresponding family
3. If there is a line that has many votes, that should be the line passing through many points

# Hough Transform for Line Fitting

- Example : The Hough transform array  
– form a line

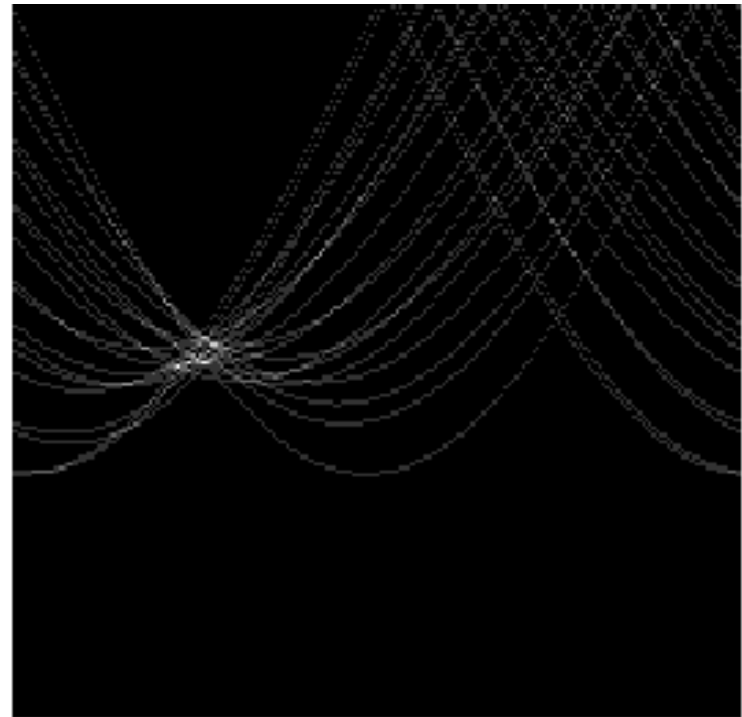
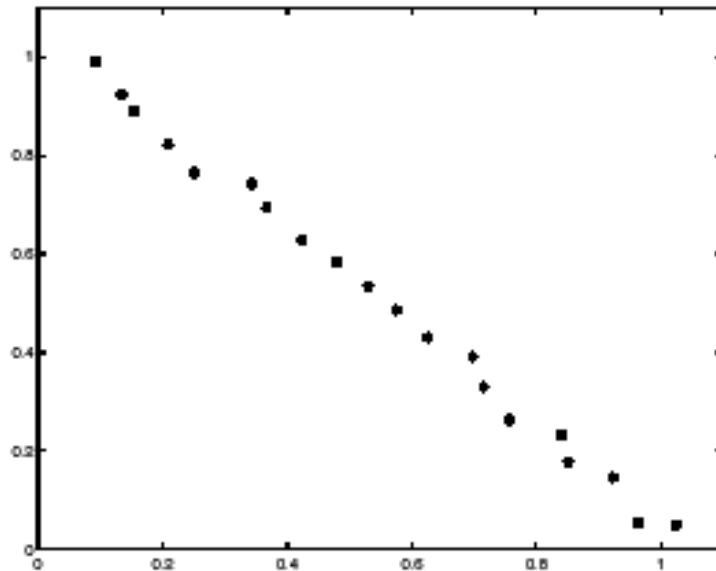


# Hough Transform for Line Fitting

- Mechanics of the Hough transform
  - Construct an array representing  $\theta, r$
  - For each point, render the curve  $(\theta, r)$  into this array, casting one vote to each cell
  - Difficulties
    - How big should the cells be?
      - If too big, we cannot distinguish between quite different lines
      - If too small, noise causes lines to be missed
  - How many lines?
    - Count the peaks in the array
  - Which points belong to which lines?
    - Tag the votes

# Hough Transform for Line Fitting

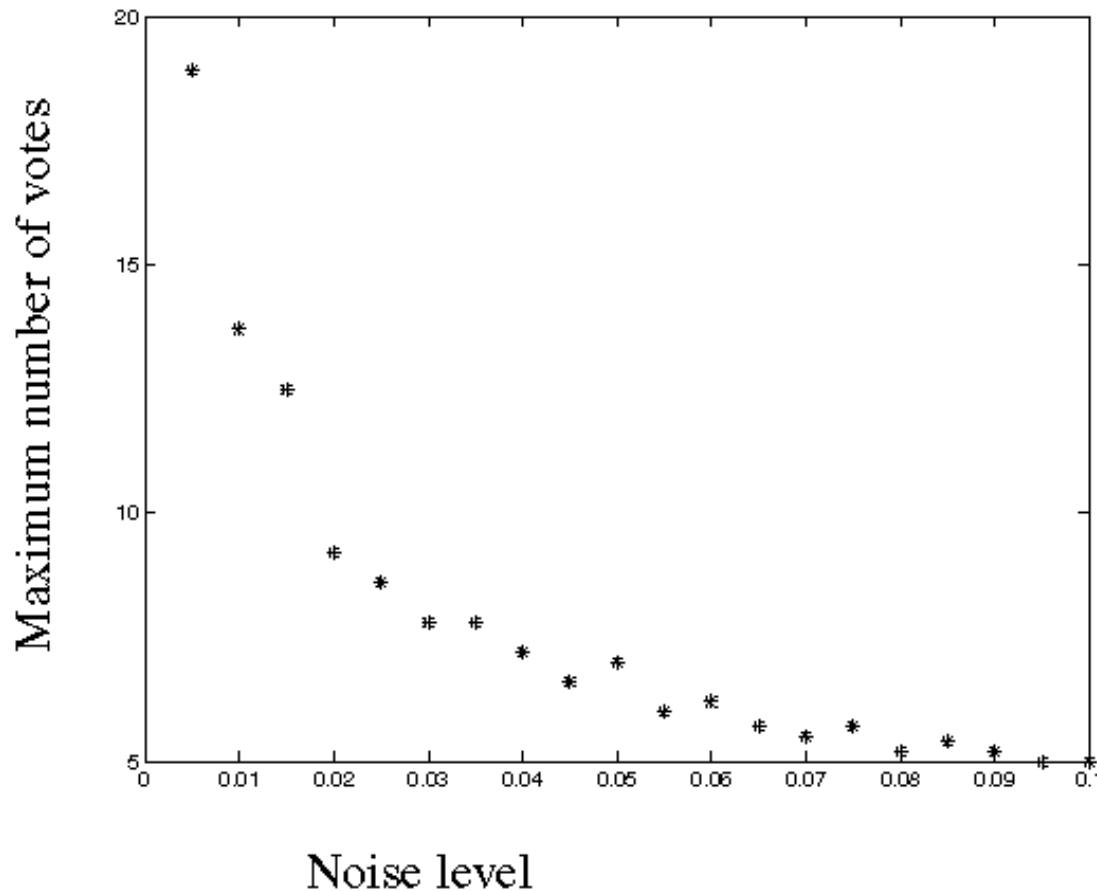
- Example : The Hough transform array
  - for a line with noises in the range  $[0, 0.05]$





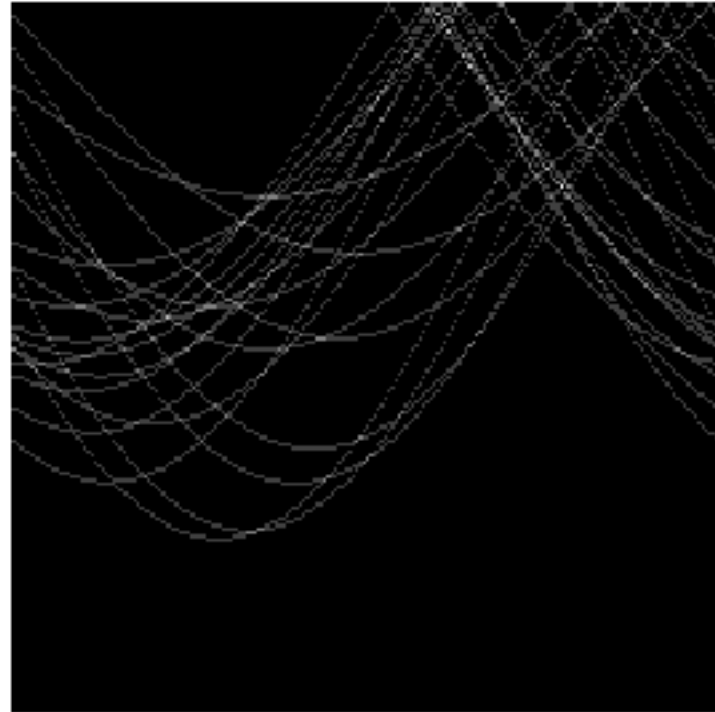
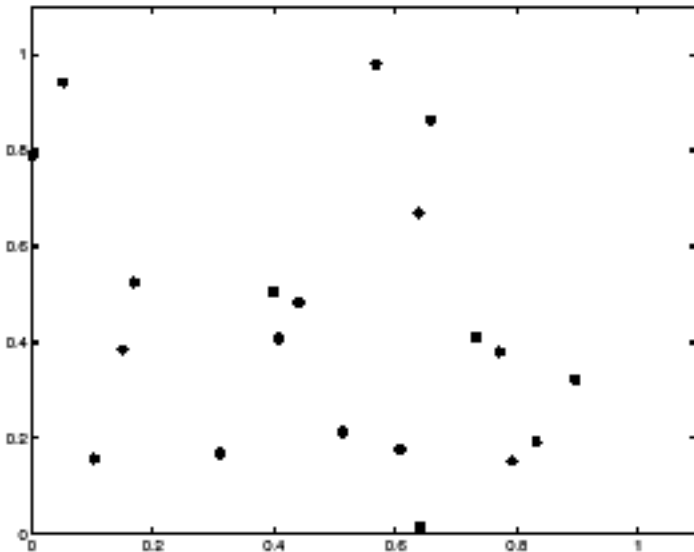
# Hough Transform for Line Fitting

- # of votes with increasing noise level



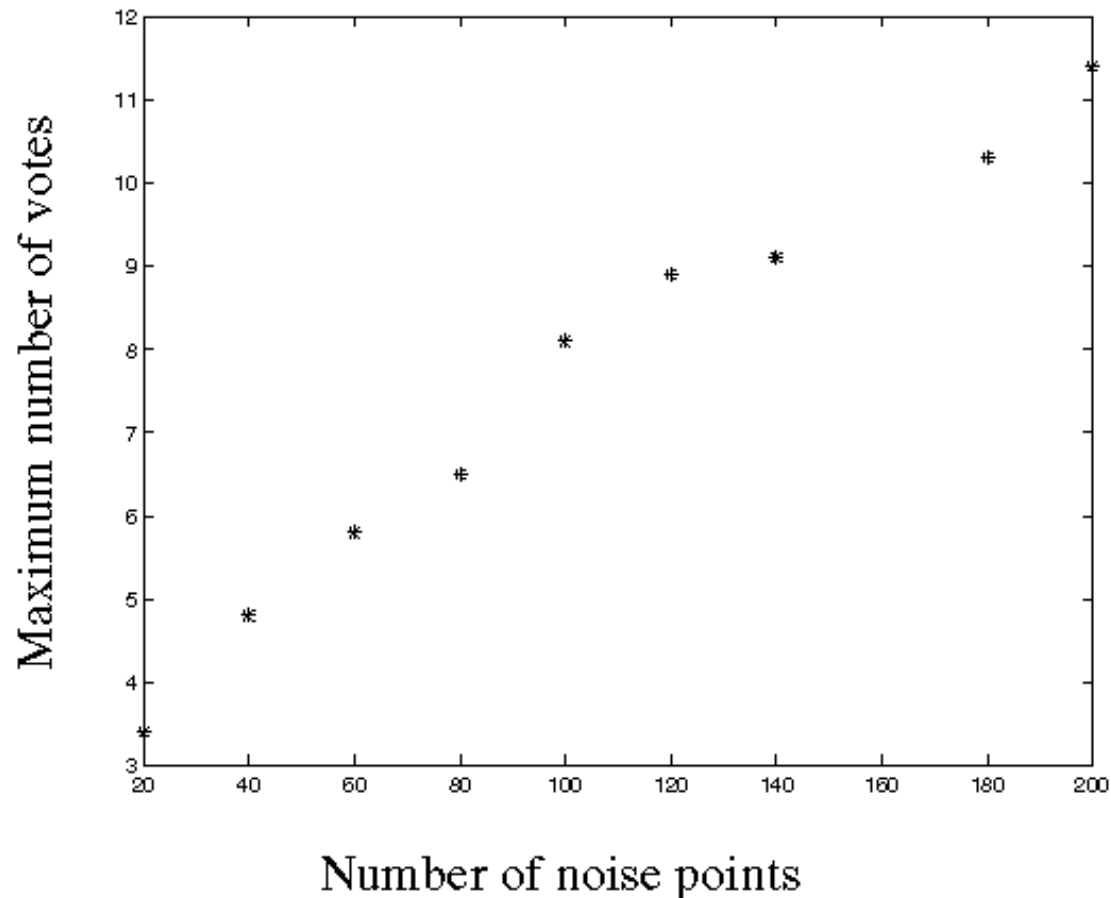
# Hough Transform for Line Fitting

- Example : The Hough transform array  
– for random points



# Hough Transform for Line Fitting

- # of votes with increasing random points

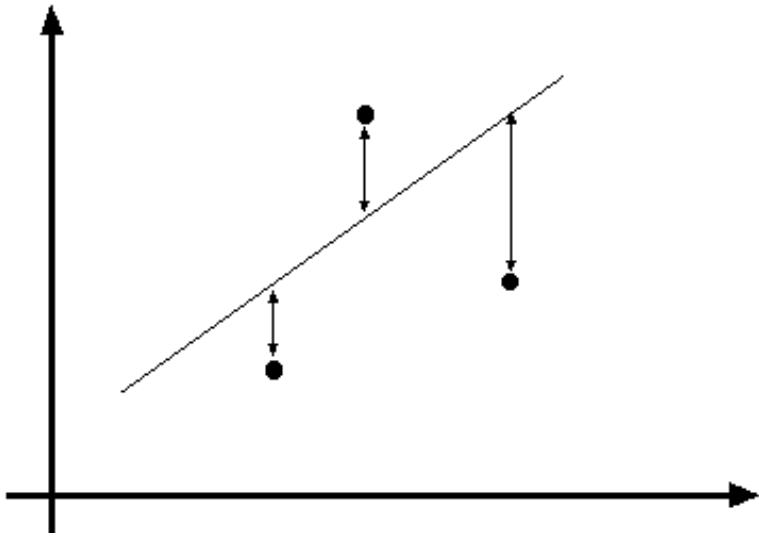


# Line Fitting

# Line Fitting with Least Squares

- To choose the line that minimizes

$$\sum_i (y_i - ax_i - b)^2$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{x^2} & \overline{x} \\ \overline{x} & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{xy} \\ \overline{y} \end{pmatrix}$$



Raphael, 1505  
*Virgin in the  
meadow*



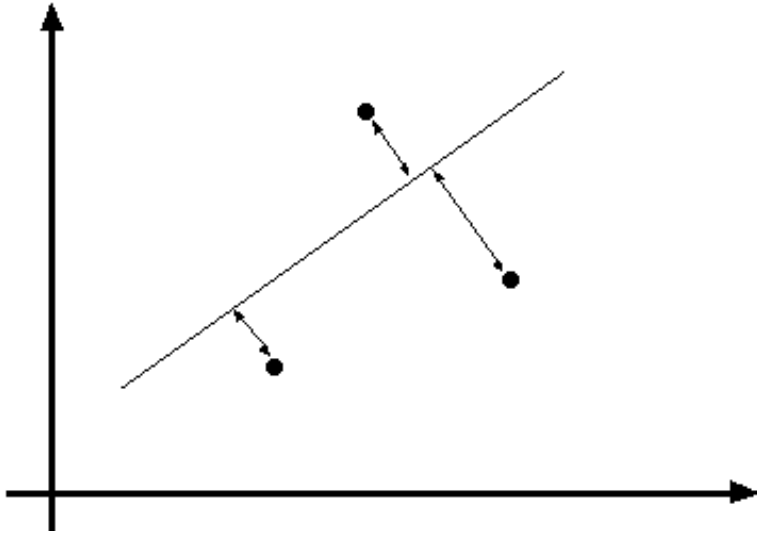
In *The History of Art*, E. H. Gombrich said

What he tried *again and again* to get was the right *balance* between the figures, the right relationship which would make the most harmonious role.

# Line Fitting with Total Least Squares

- To choose the line that minimizes

$$\sum_i (ax_i + by_i + c)^2 \quad \text{where} \quad a^2 + b^2 = 1$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} \overline{x^2} - \bar{x} \cdot \bar{x} & \overline{xy} - \bar{x} \cdot \bar{y} \\ \overline{xy} - \bar{x} \cdot \bar{y} & \overline{y^2} - \bar{y} \cdot \bar{y} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \mu \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c = -a\bar{x} - b\bar{y}$$



# Which points are on which lines?

- If we know the set of points for a line, the line fitting is not difficult
- But, finding the set is difficult
  - One approach is to use Hough transform
- We learn two more strategies
  - Incremental line fitting
  - K-means

# Incremental Line Fitting

**Algorithm 15.1:** Incremental line fitting by walking along a curve, fitting a line to runs of pixels along the curve, and breaking the curve when the residual is too large

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Put all points on curve list, in order along the curve
Empty the line point list
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Until there are too few points on the curve
  Transfer first few points on the curve to the line point list
  Fit line to line point list
  While fitted line is good enough
    Transfer the next point on the curve
      to the line point list and refit the line
  end
  Transfer last point(s) back to curve
  Refit line
  Attach line to line list
end
```

# K-Means Line Fitting

**Algorithm 15.2:** K-means line fitting by allocating points to the closest line and then refitting.

Hypothesize  $k$  lines (perhaps uniformly at random)

*or*

Hypothesize an assignment of lines to points  
and then fit lines using this assignment

Until convergence

    Allocate each point to the closest line

    Refit lines

end

- Note we are minimizing  $\sum_i \sum_{x_j \in P_i} d^2(x_j, l_i)$

# Curve Fitting

- In principle, an easy generalization from line fitting
- In practice, rather hard
  - It is generally difficult to compute the distance between a point and a curve

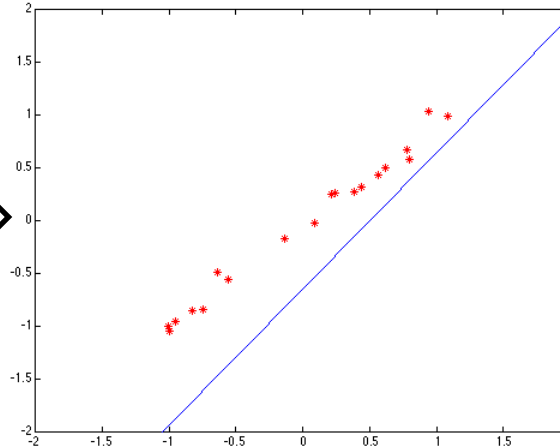
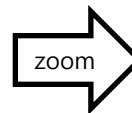
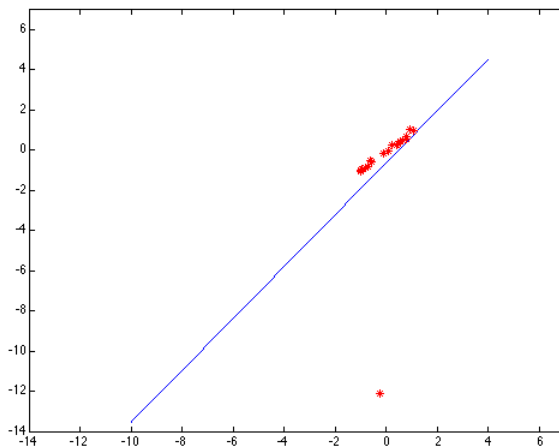
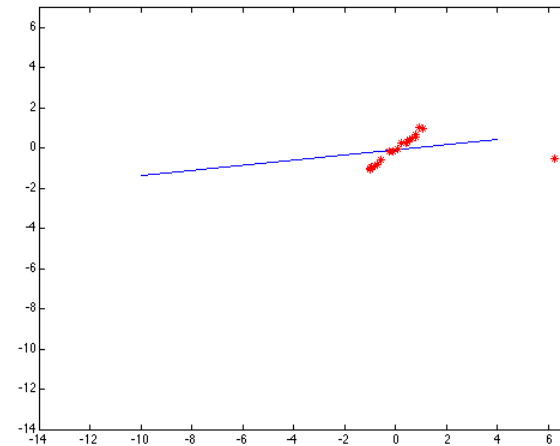
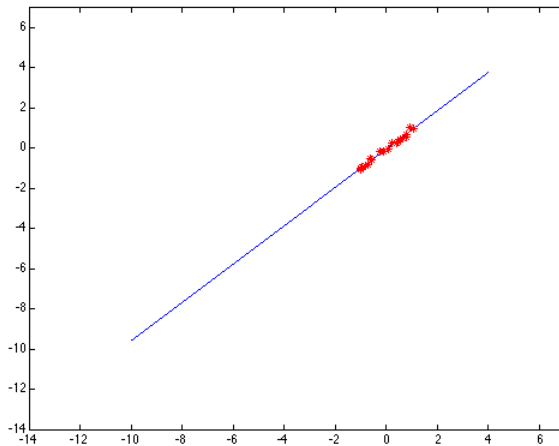
# Dealing with Outliers

# Robustness

- Poor fits in practice
  - Line fitting methods involve squared error terms
  - Squared errors can cause bias in the presence of noise points
- Robustness
  - M-estimators
    - Square nearby points but threshold far away points
  - RANSAC
    - Search for good points

# Robustness

- Least-squares is sensitive to outliers



# Robust M-Estimator

- It estimates parameters by minimizing

$$\sum_i \rho(d_i; \sigma) \quad \text{instead of} \quad \sum_i d_i^2$$

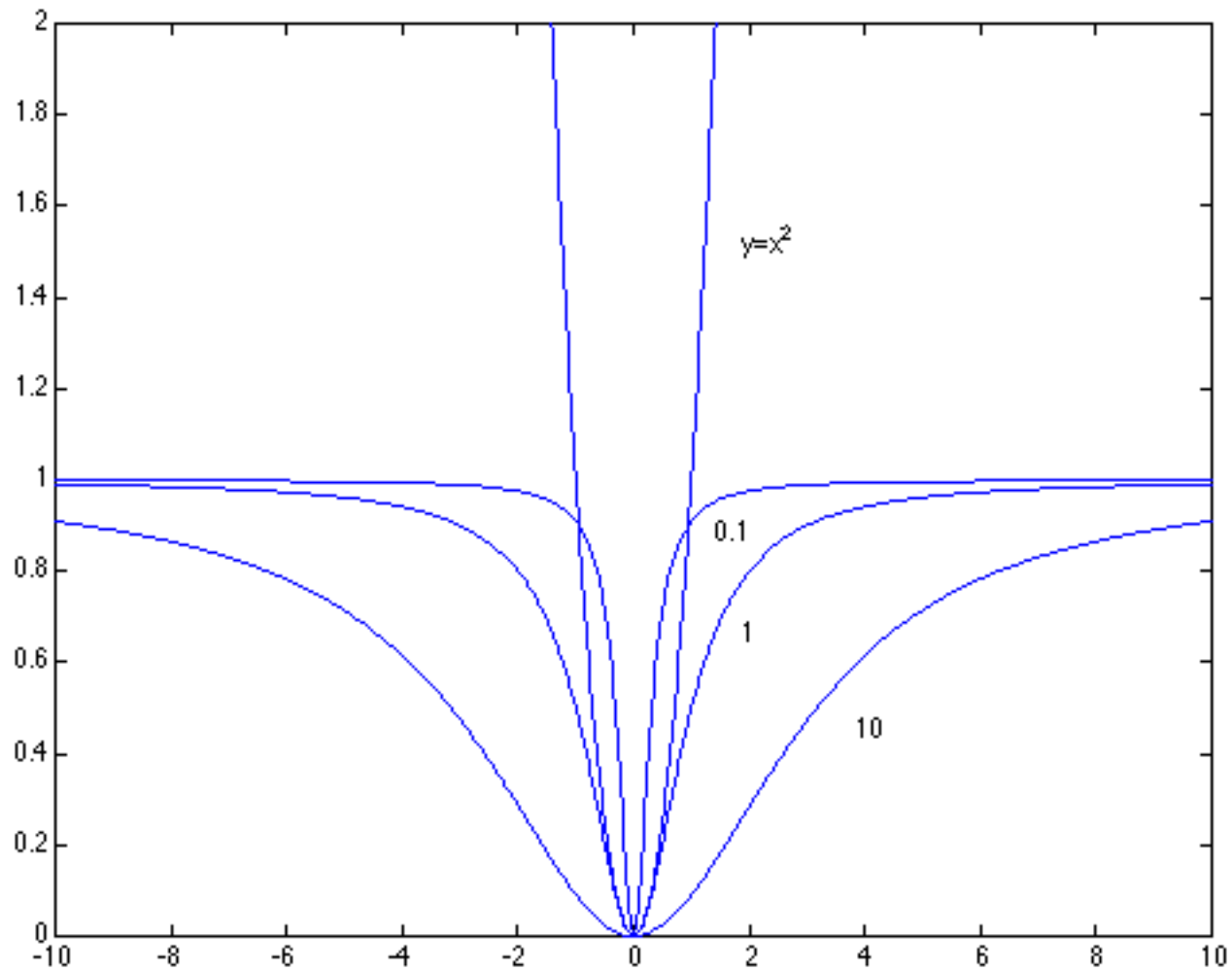
- Common choice

$$\rho(d_i; \sigma) = \frac{d_i^2}{\sigma^2 + d_i^2}$$

- The scale parameter  $\sigma$  controls the point at which the function flattens out

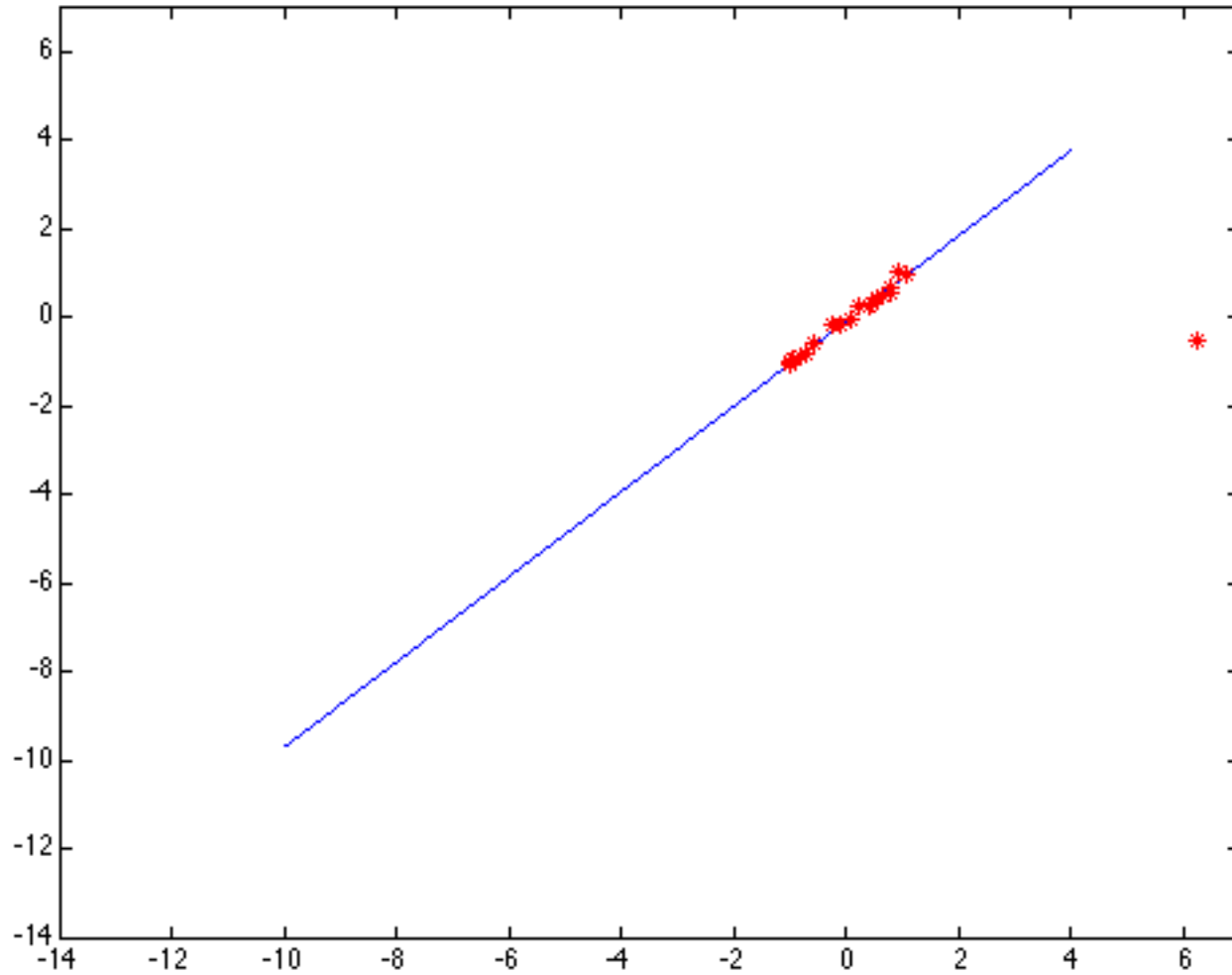


# Robust M-Estimator



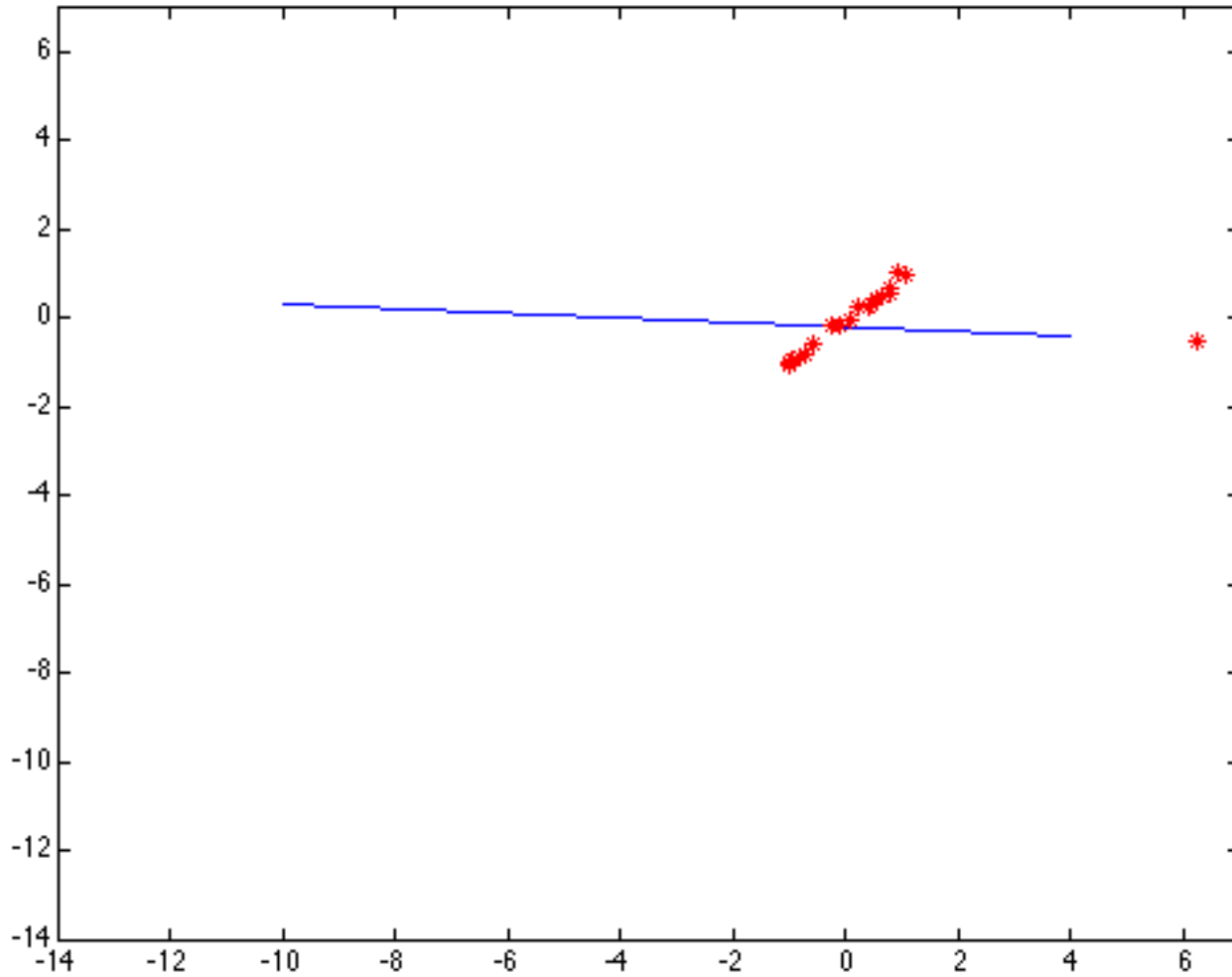
$$\sigma^2 = 0.1, 1, 10$$

# Robustness



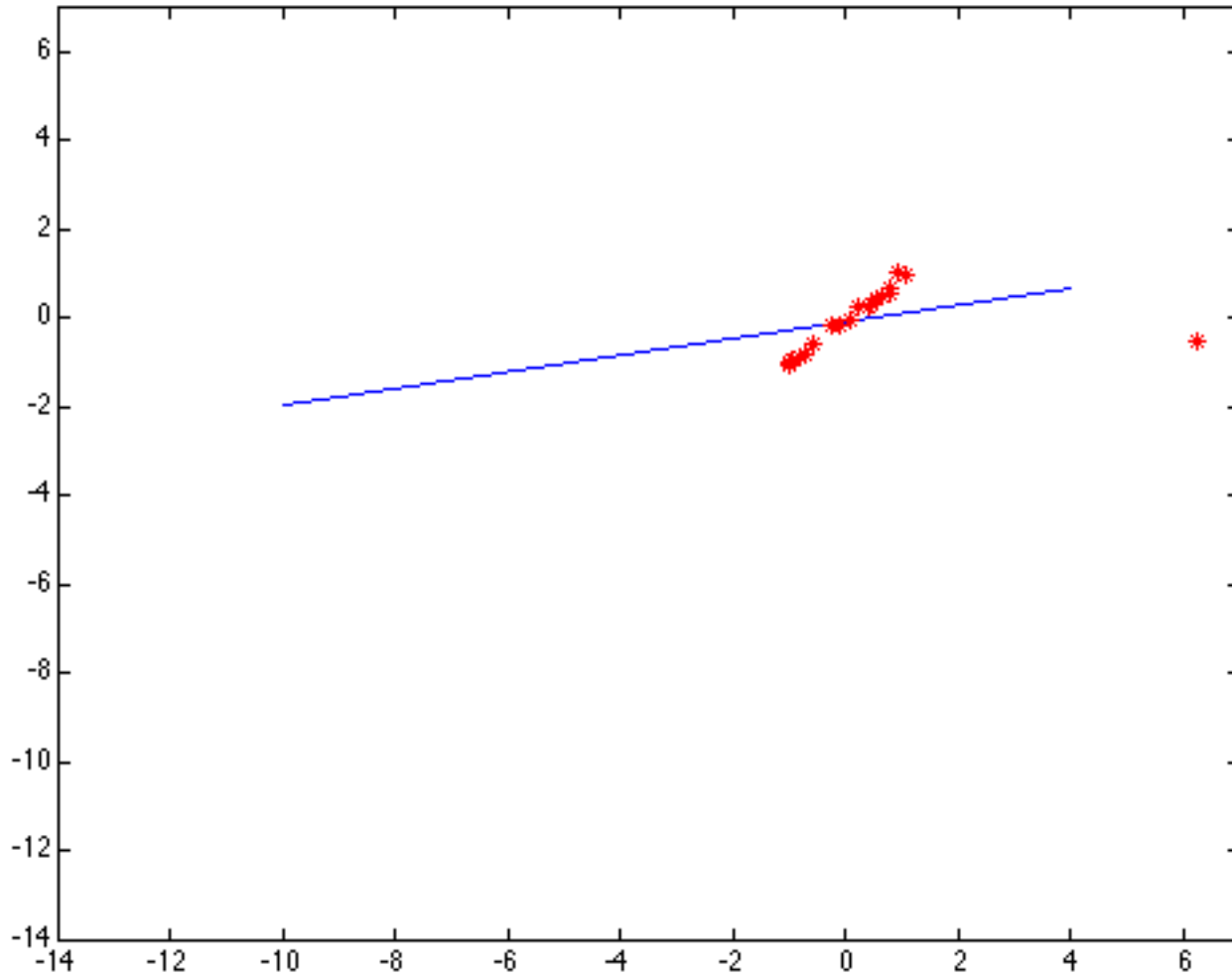
with an appropriate choice of  $\sigma$

# Robustness



too small  $\sigma$

# Robustness



too large  $\sigma$

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# RANSAC

- Choose a small subset uniformly at random
- Fit to that
- Anything that is close to the result is signal; all others are noises
- Refit
- Do this many times and choose the best

## Algorithm 15.4: RANSAC: fitting lines using random sample consensus

Determine:

$n$  — the smallest number of points required

$k$  — the number of iterations required

$t$  — the threshold used to identify a point that fits well

$d$  — the number of nearby points required  
to assert a model fits well

Until  $k$  iterations have occurred

Draw a sample of  $n$  points from the data  
uniformly and at random

Fit to that set of  $n$  points

For each data point outside the sample

Test the distance from the point to the line  
against  $t$ ; if the distance from the point to the line  
is less than  $t$ , the point is close

end

If there are  $d$  or more points close to the line  
then there is a good fit. Refit the line using all  
these points.

end

Use the best fit from this collection, using the  
fitting error as a criterion

# RANSAC

- RANdom SAmple Consensus

- Issues

- How many times?
      - Often enough that we are likely to have a good line
    - How big a subset?
      - Smallest possible
    - What does 'close' mean?
      - Depends on the problem
    - What is a good line?
      - One where the number of nearby points is so big that it is unlikely to be all outliers