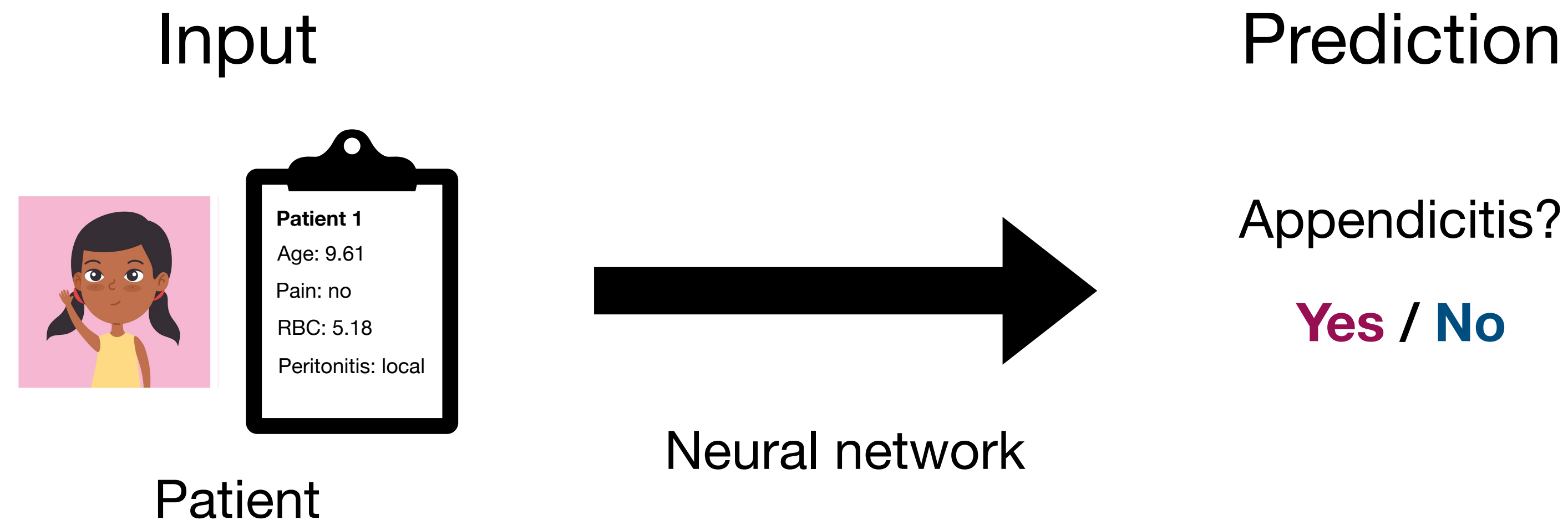


Linear regression, gradient descent & maximum likelihood

Setup

Example: Appendicitis diagnosis



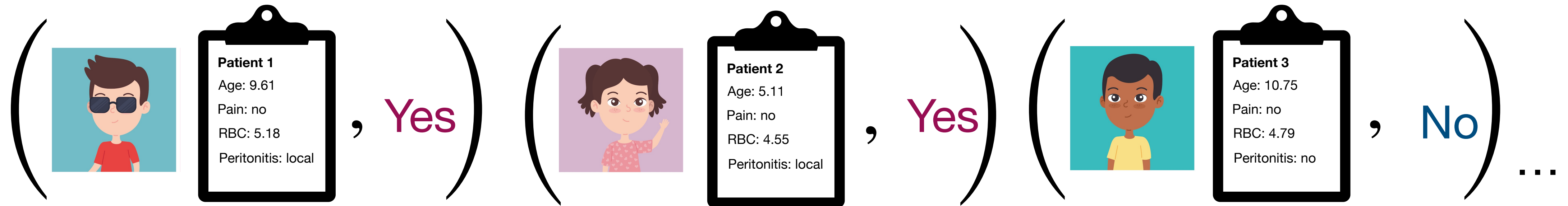
Some notation:

$$\text{Input: } \mathbf{x} \xrightarrow{\text{predict}} \text{Output: } y, \quad y = f(\mathbf{x})$$

Prediction *function*

Dataset

Set of known inputs and **outputs**

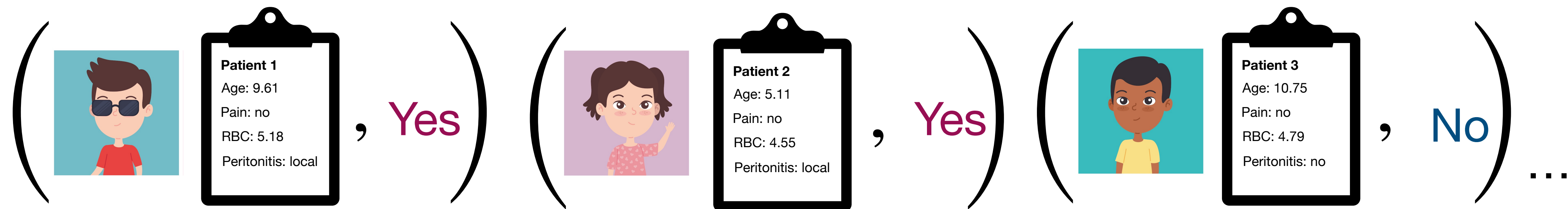


Some notation:

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, y_2), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, y_N)\}$$

Dataset

Set of known inputs and **outputs**



Input table

Patients with abdominal pain						
	Age	Appendix Size	Migratory Pain	RBC Count	RBC Urine	Peritonitis
0	9.61	9.0	no	5.18	high	local
1	5.11	7.0	no	4.55	medium	local
2	10.75	5.0	no	4.79	none	no
3	10.51	9.0	no	5.03	none	local
4	7.3	6.2	yes	4.64	low	no
5	15.21	8.5	yes	4.62	low	no
6	15.83	12.0	yes	4.33	high	no
7	9.58	7.0	yes	5.04	low	generalized
8	10.37	5.5	no	4.8	none	no
9	16.66	9.0	yes	5.31	none	no
10	14.52	4.5	yes	4.9	none	no
11	10.74	9.0	no	5.66	none	local
12	12.41	3.7	no	5.49	none	no
13	6.67	3.5	no	5.27	none	no
14	14.36	9.0	yes	4.84	low	local
15	9.04	5.3	yes	4.92	low	no
16	12.43	12.0	yes	4.62	none	generalized

Output table

Diagnosis	
	Diagnosis
0	appendicitis
1	no appendicitis
2	no appendicitis
3	no appendicitis
4	appendicitis
5	no appendicitis
6	no appendicitis
7	no appendicitis
8	no appendicitis
9	appendicitis
10	appendicitis
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12	no appendicitis
13	no appendicitis
14	appendicitis
15	no appendicitis
16	appendicitis

Mathematical abstraction

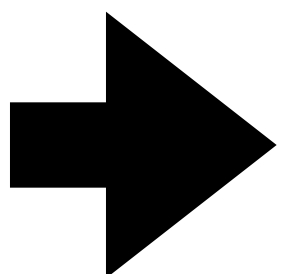
As table

Patients with abdominal pain

Observation

	Age	Appendix Size	Height	Weight	RBC Count	Temperature	WBC Count
0	16.66	9.0	174.0	65.0	5.31	36.6	6.6
1	10.74	9.0	146.0	57.5	5.66	37.3	10.2
2	9.04	5.3	134.0	29.4	4.92	36.0	5.1
3	10.75	5.0	155.0	54.5	4.79	37.7	10.3
4	7.3	6.2	123.0	23.5	4.64	37.4	21.1
5	5.11	7.0	116.0	22.0	4.55	40.2	19.4
6	14.36	9.0	163.0	50.0	4.84	37.5	14.3
7	9.61	9.0	140.0	29.2	5.18	38.7	14.3
8	15.83	12.0	153.0	59.0	4.33	36.7	12.8
9	9.58	7.0	132.0	24.7	5.04	38.4	13.5
10	10.37	5.5	156.0	39.0	4.8	37.4	5.6
11	14.52	4.5	181.0	55.0	4.9	37.0	9.0
12	12.41	3.7	150.5	42.5	5.49	37.2	9.1
13	6.67	3.5	124.0	38.5	5.27	39.6	16.8
14	15.21	8.5	155.0	85.0	4.62	36.8	12.4
15	12.43	12.0	157.0	46.0	4.62	37.1	16.4
16	10.51	9.0	134.5	27.0	5.03	37.4	12.8

Feature



As matrix

Observation

$X =$

16.66	9.0	174.0	65.0	5.31	36.6	6.6
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7.3	6.2	123.0	23.5	4.64	37.4	21.1
5.11	7.0	116.0	22.0	4.55	40.2	19.4
14.36	9.0	163.0	50.0	4.84	37.5	14.3
9.61	9.0	140.0	29.2	5.18	38.7	14.3
15.83	12.0	153.0	59.0	4.33	36.7	12.8
9.58	7.0	132.0	24.7	5.04	38.4	13.5
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Feature

N
(Obs.)

d
(features)

N x d Matrix: $X \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$

Mathematical abstraction

Labels become a vector



Patient 5
Age: 5.11
Pain: no
RBC: 4.55
Peritonitis: local

, **Yes**

Output table

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Converted

	Diagnosis
0	1
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	1
5	0
6	0
7	0
8	0
9	1
10	0
11	0
12	0
13	0
14	1
15	0
16	1

$y =$

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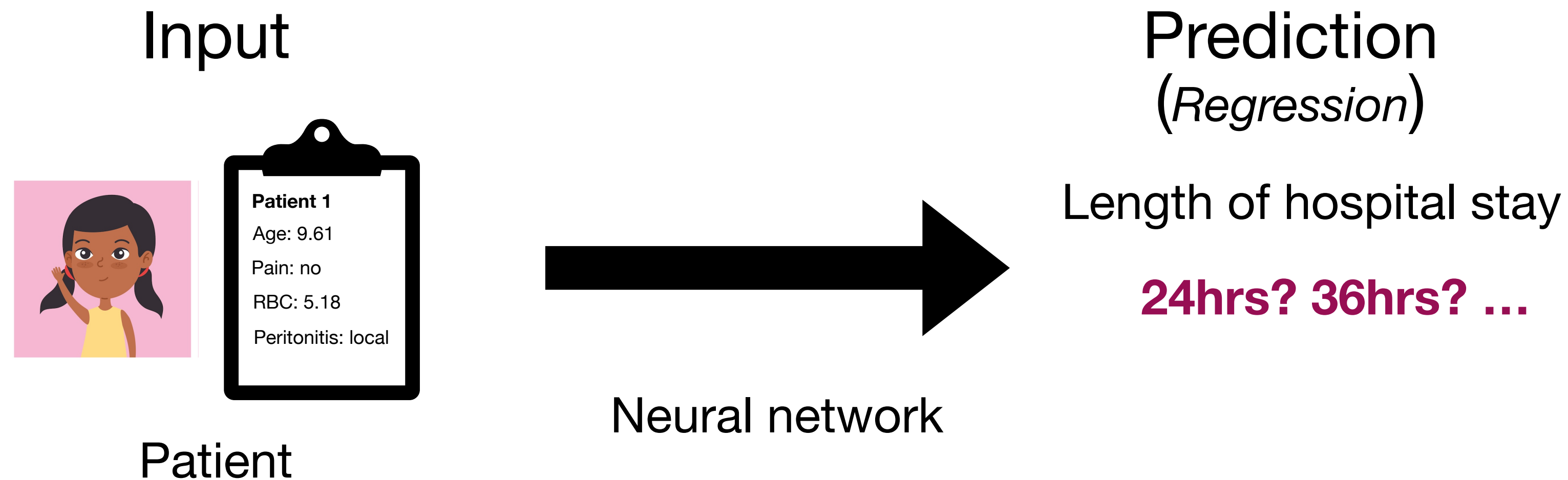
0

1

N
(Obs.)

$y_5 = 1$
Index
(Obs.)

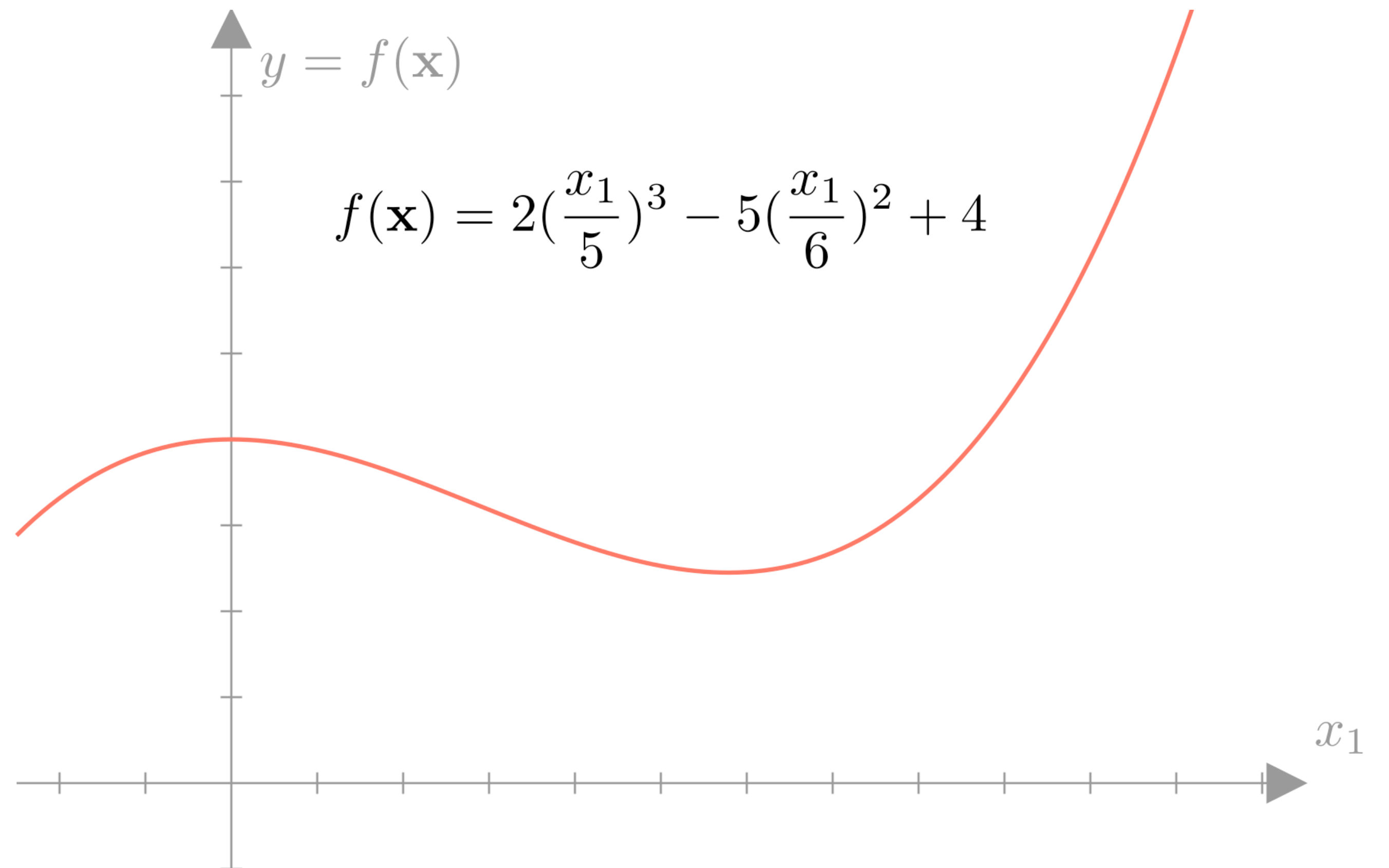
Quantitative outputs: *Regression*



$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, y_2), \dots (\mathbf{x}_N, y_N)\}$$

Output domain: $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Input: $\mathbf{x}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{predict}}$ Output: y , $y = f(\mathbf{x})$
Prediction *function*



Honda Accord:

Weight:2500 lbs

Horsepower:123 HP

Displacement:2.4 L

0-60mph:7.8 Sec

→ MPG: 33mpg

Dodge Aspen:

Weight:3800 lbs

Horsepower:155 HP

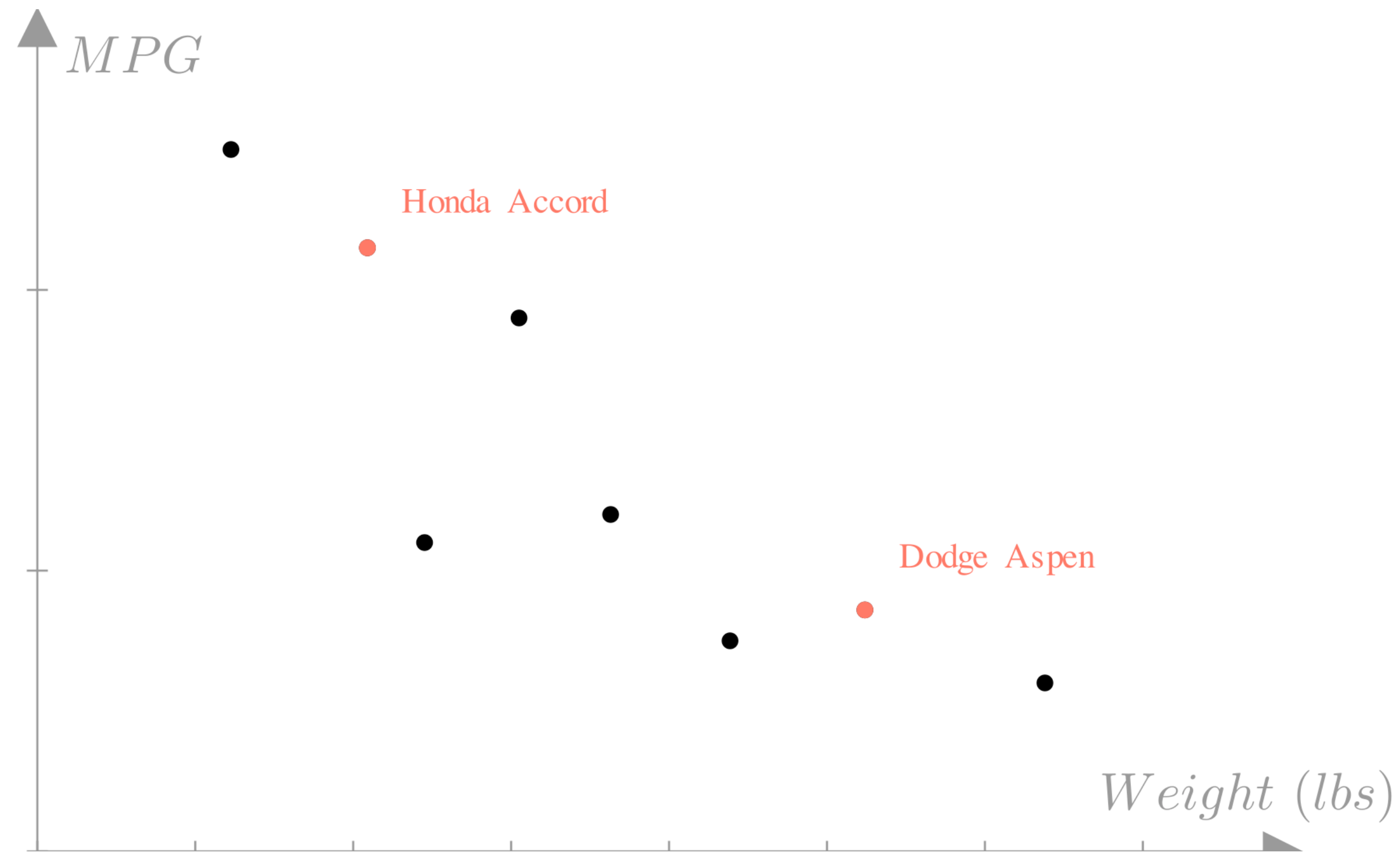
Displacement:3.2 L

0-60mph:6.8 Sec

→ MPG: 21mpg

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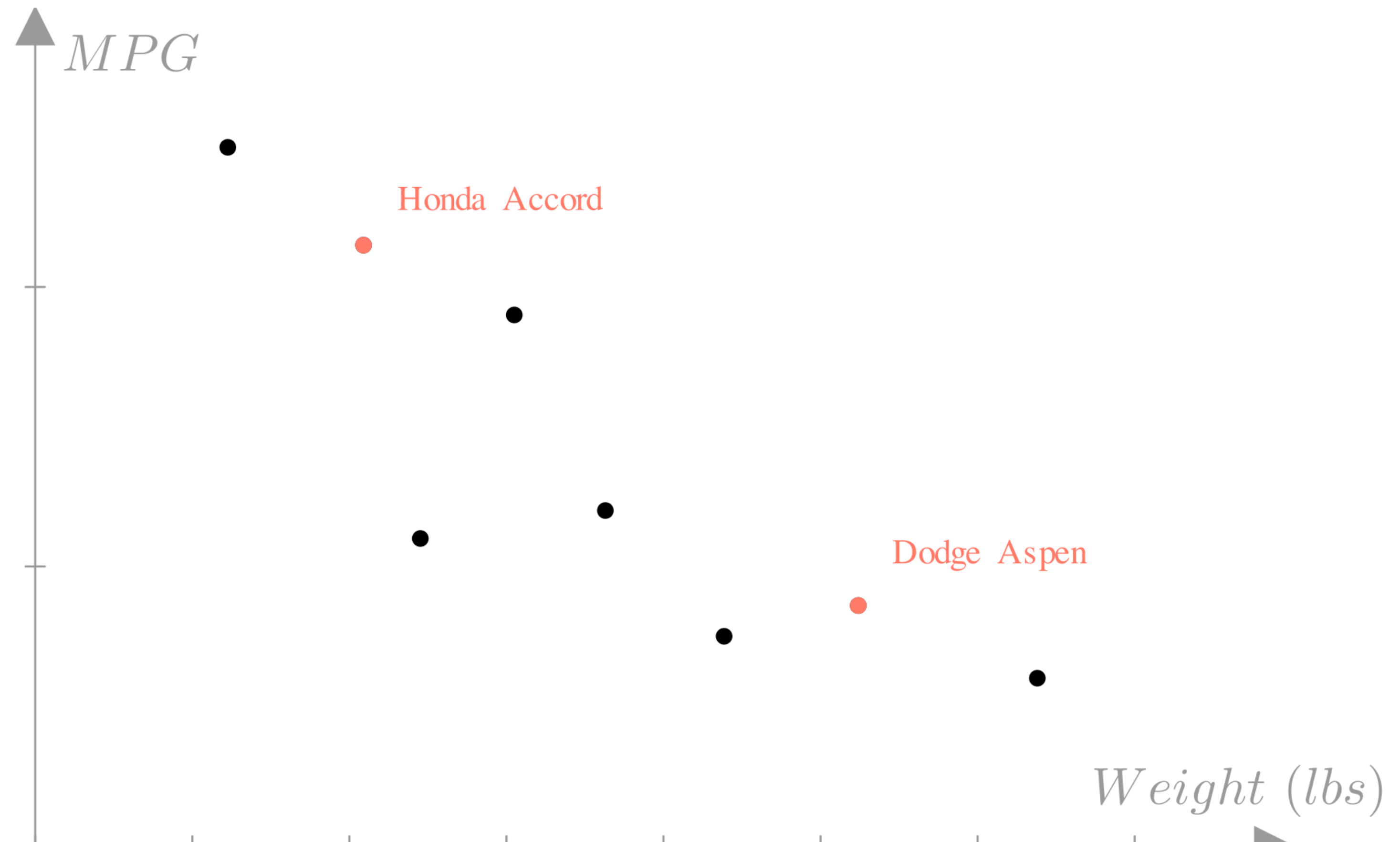
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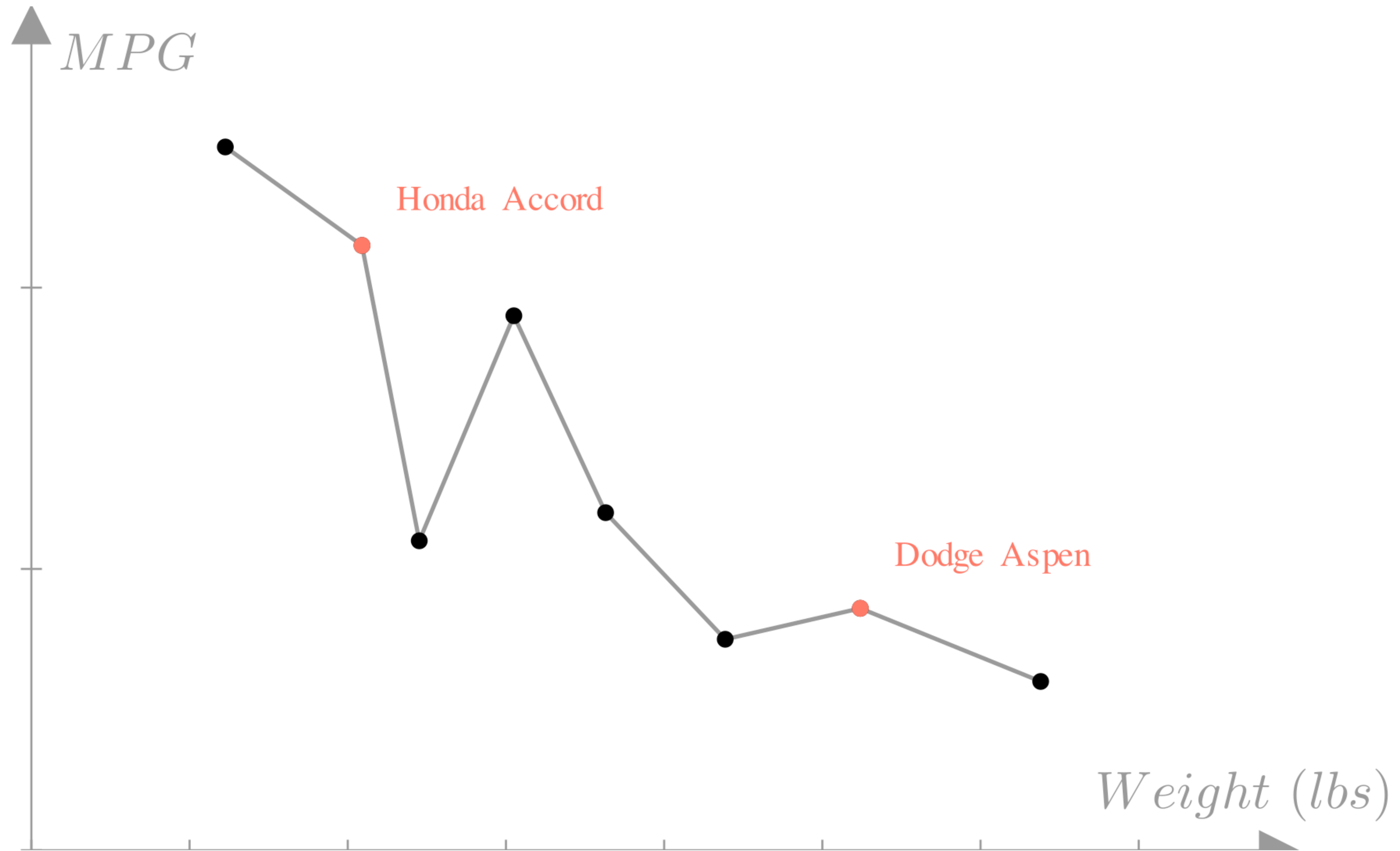


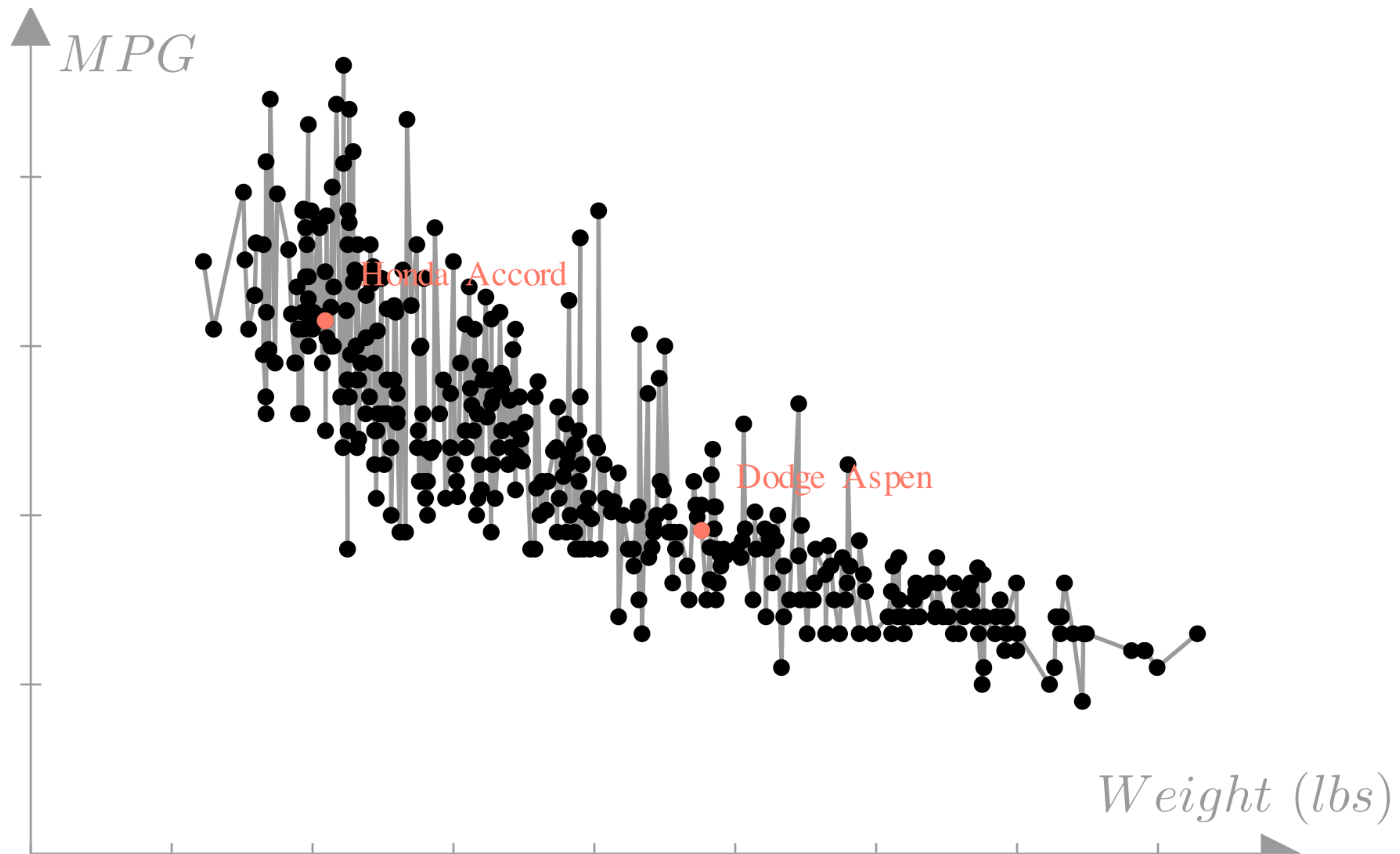
Dataset: $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) \text{ for } i \in 1 \dots N\}$

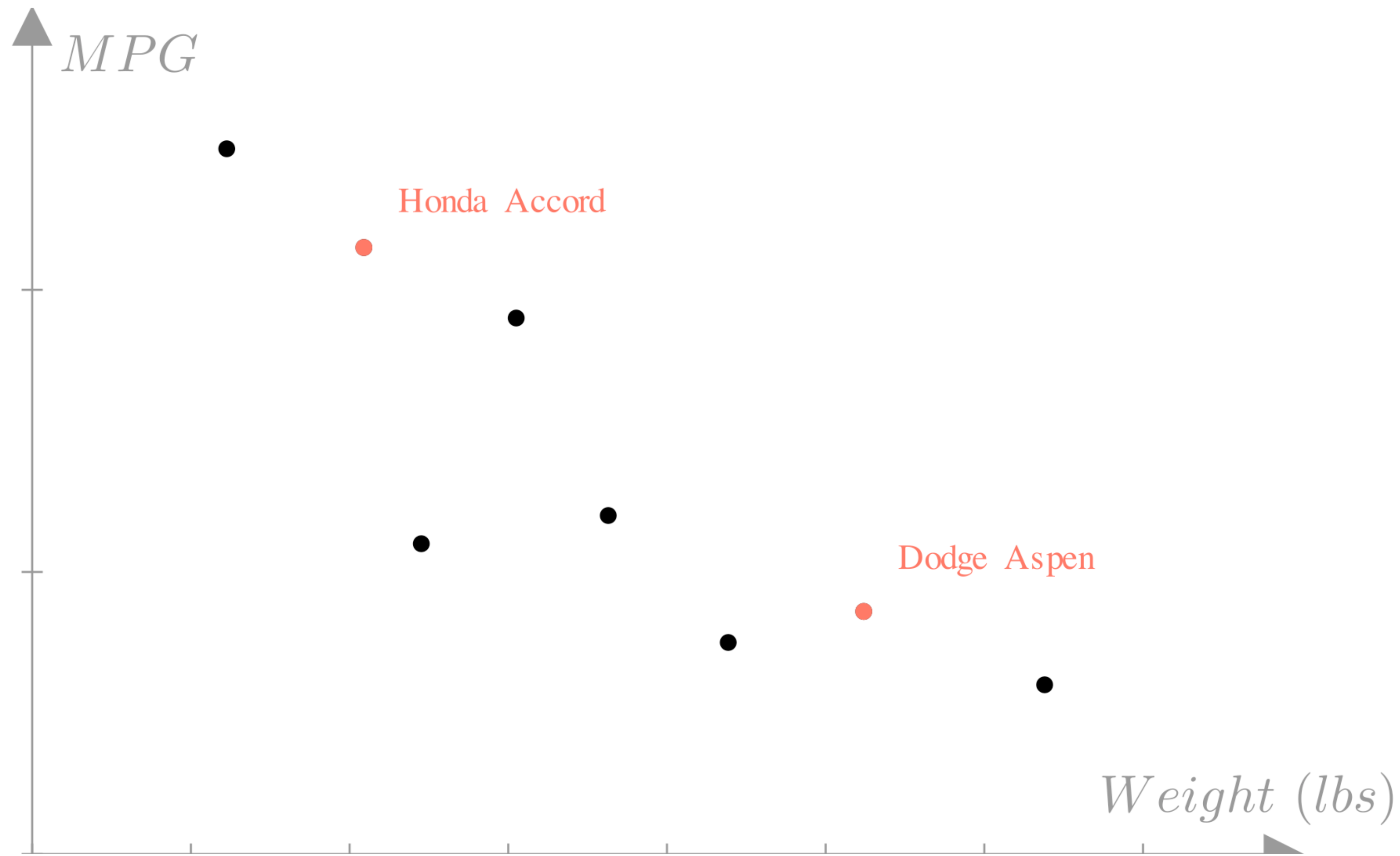
Input: $\mathbf{x}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Weight} \\ \text{Horsepower} \\ \text{Displacement} \\ \text{0-60mph} \end{bmatrix}$, Output: $y_i = \text{MPG}$

$$\text{mpg} = f(\text{weight, horsepower} \dots)$$









A *linear function* is any function f where the following conditions always hold:

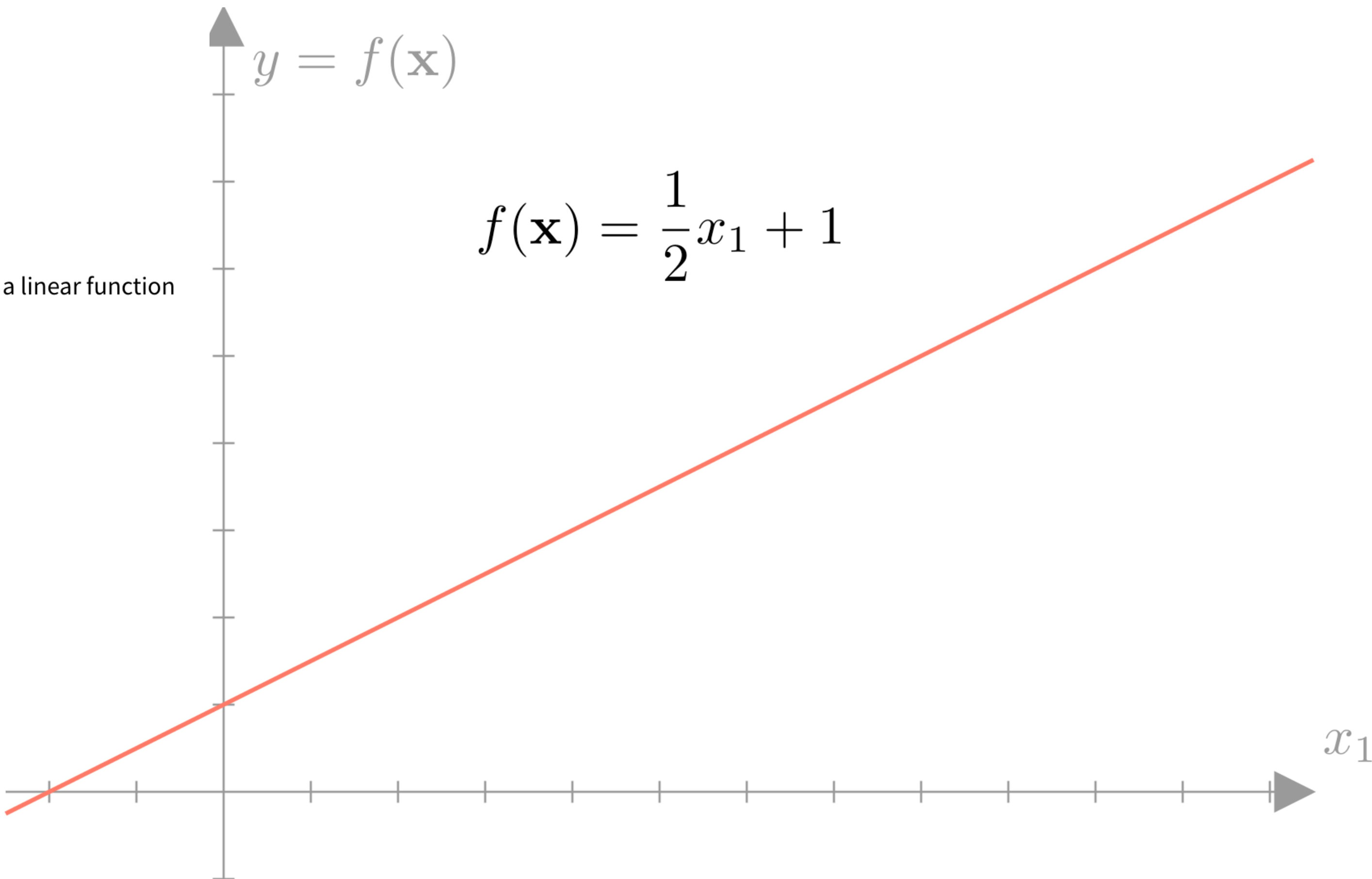
$$f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + f(\mathbf{y})$$

and

$$f(a\mathbf{x}) = af(\mathbf{x})$$

For a linear function, the output can be defined as a weighted sum of the inputs. In other words a linear function of a vector can always be written as:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i$$

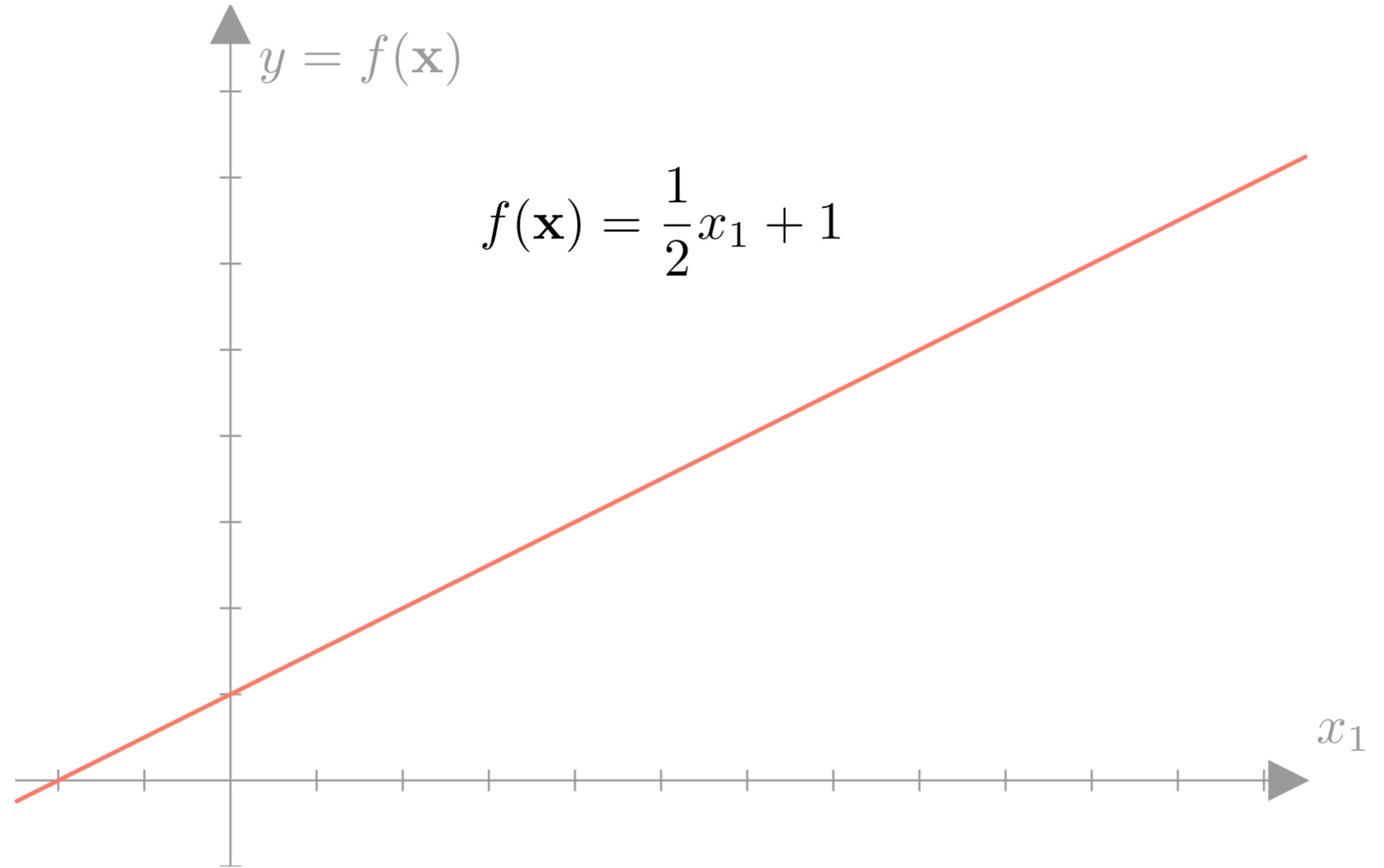


We can add an offset b to create an *affine* function:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i + b$$

In numpy we can easily write a function of this form:

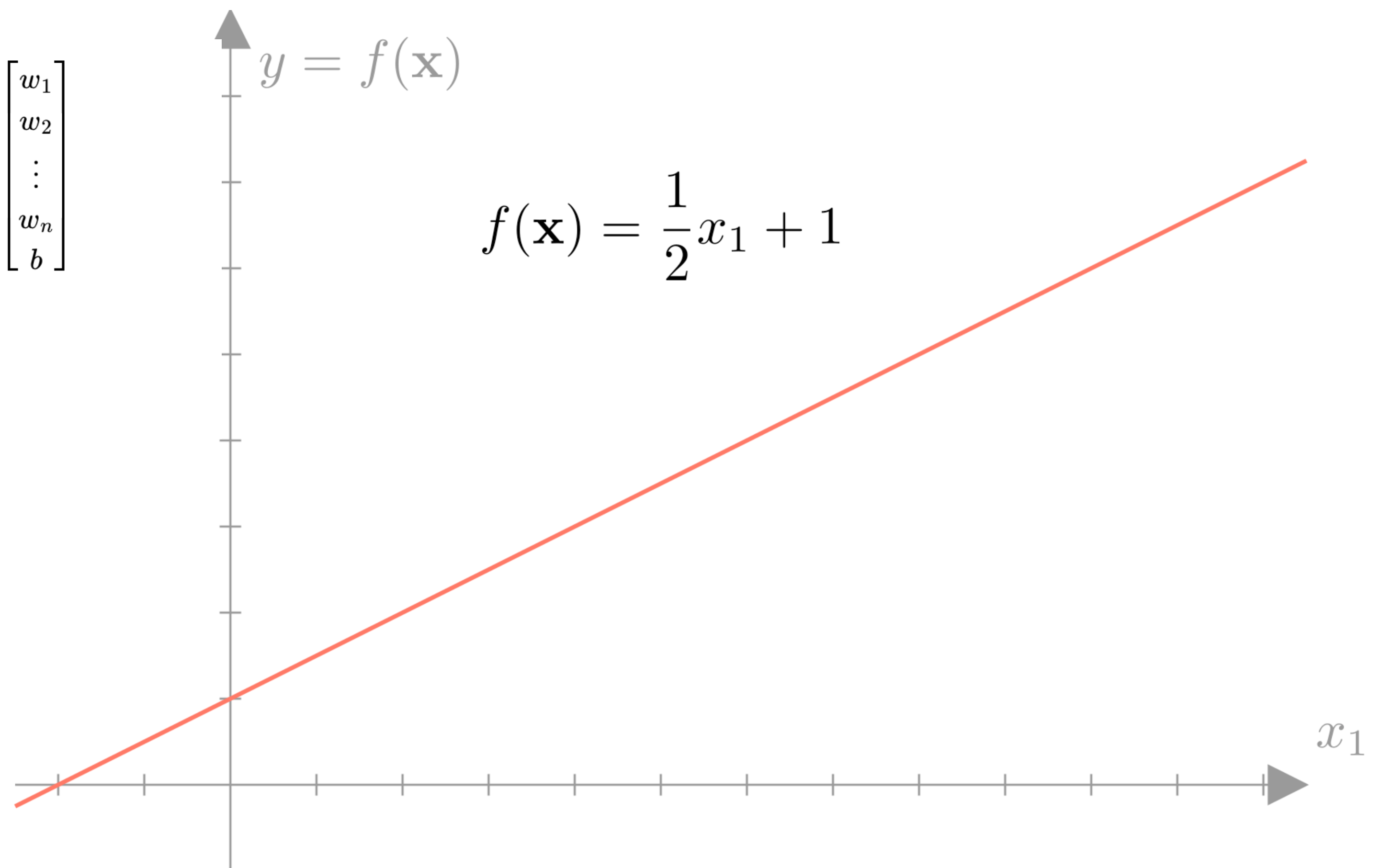
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def f(x):  
    w = np.array([-0.6, -0.2])  
    b = -1  
    return np.dot(x, w) + b
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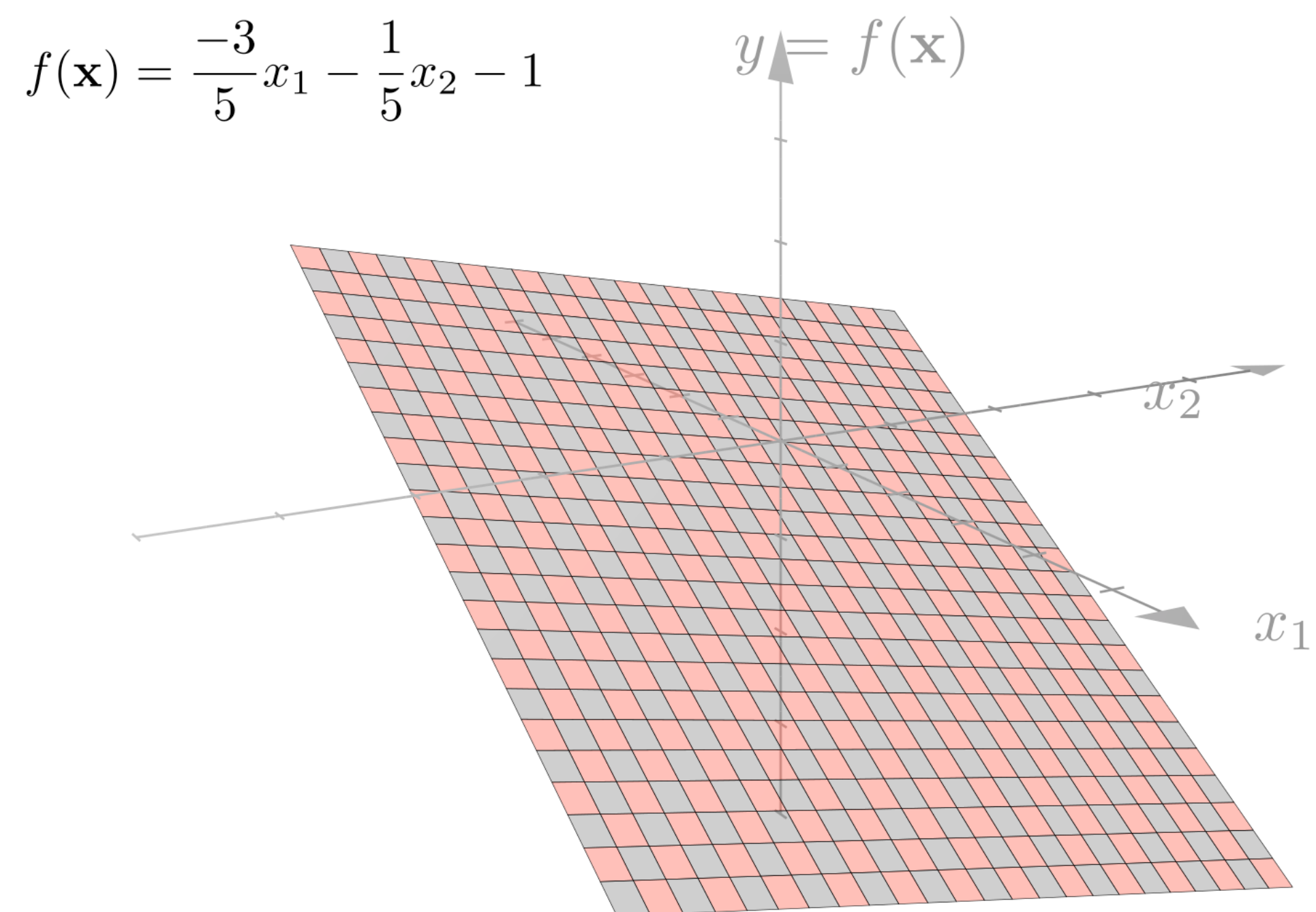
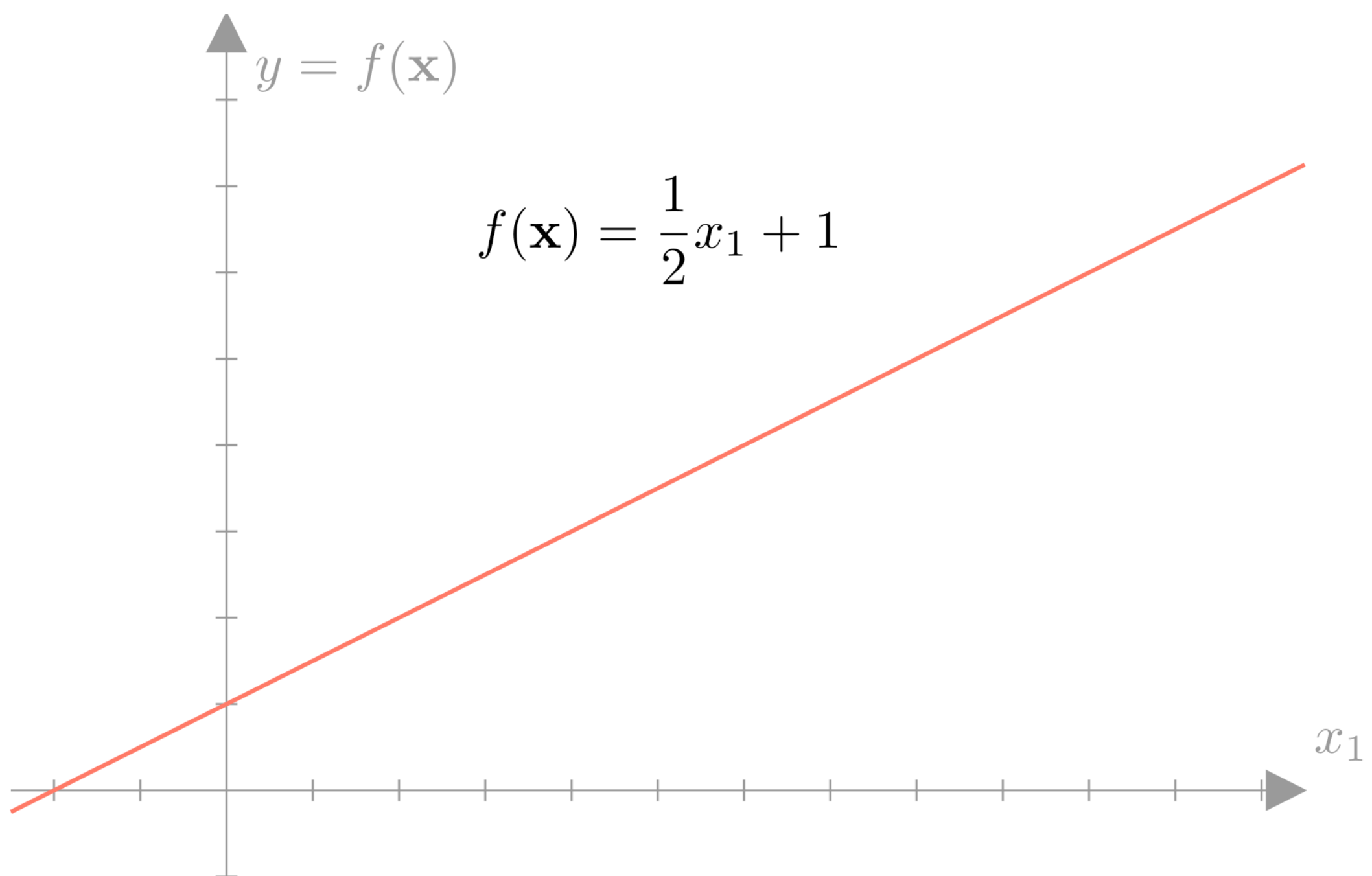


$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_{aug} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{w}_{aug} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

We can easily see then that using this notation:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} + b = \mathbf{x}_{aug}^T \mathbf{w}_{aug}$$





Linear regression is the approach of modeling an unknown function with a linear function. From our discussion of linear functions, we know that this means that we will make predictions using a function of the form:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i$$

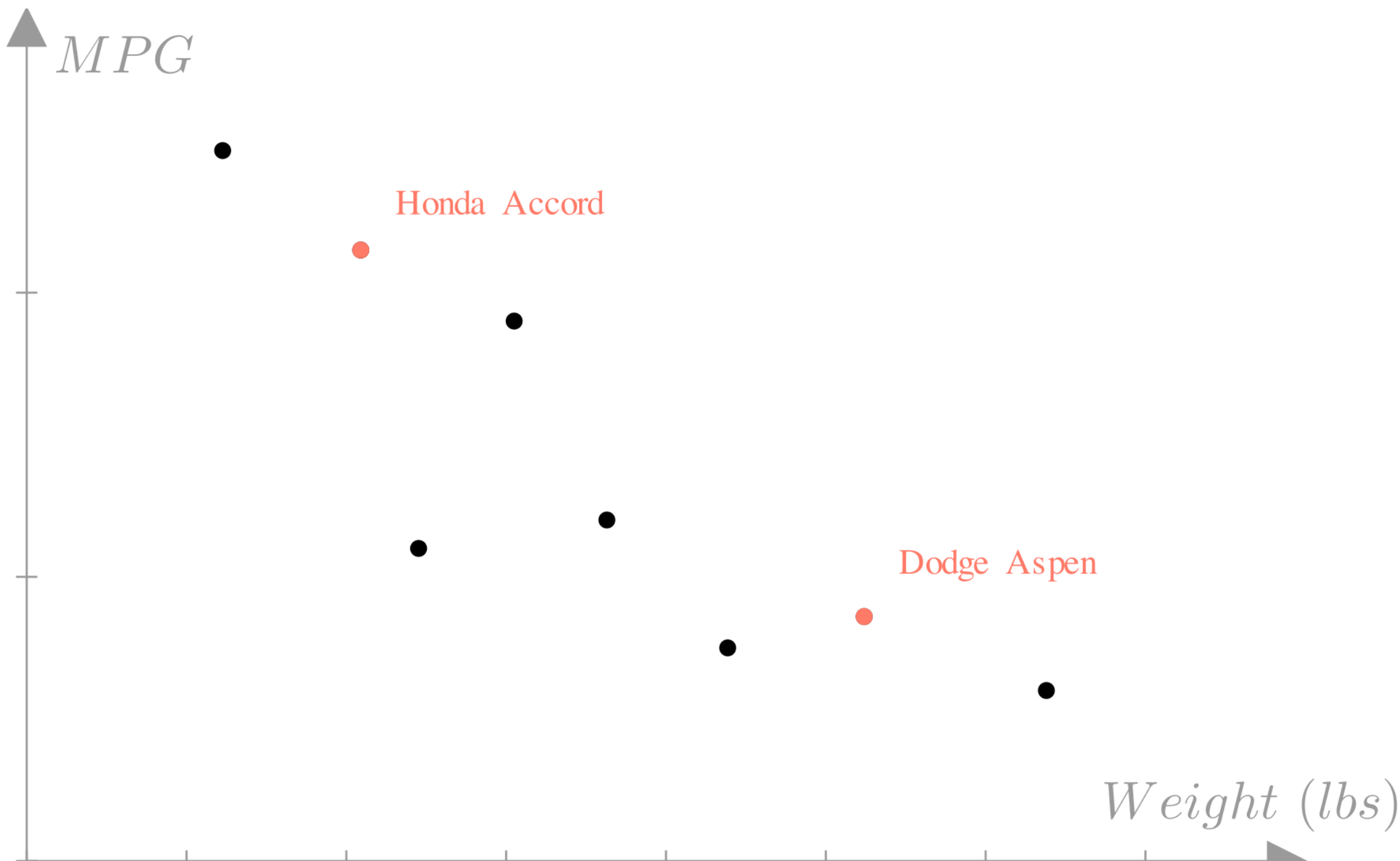
Meaning that the output will be a weighted sum of the *features* of the input. In the case of our car example, we will make predictions as:

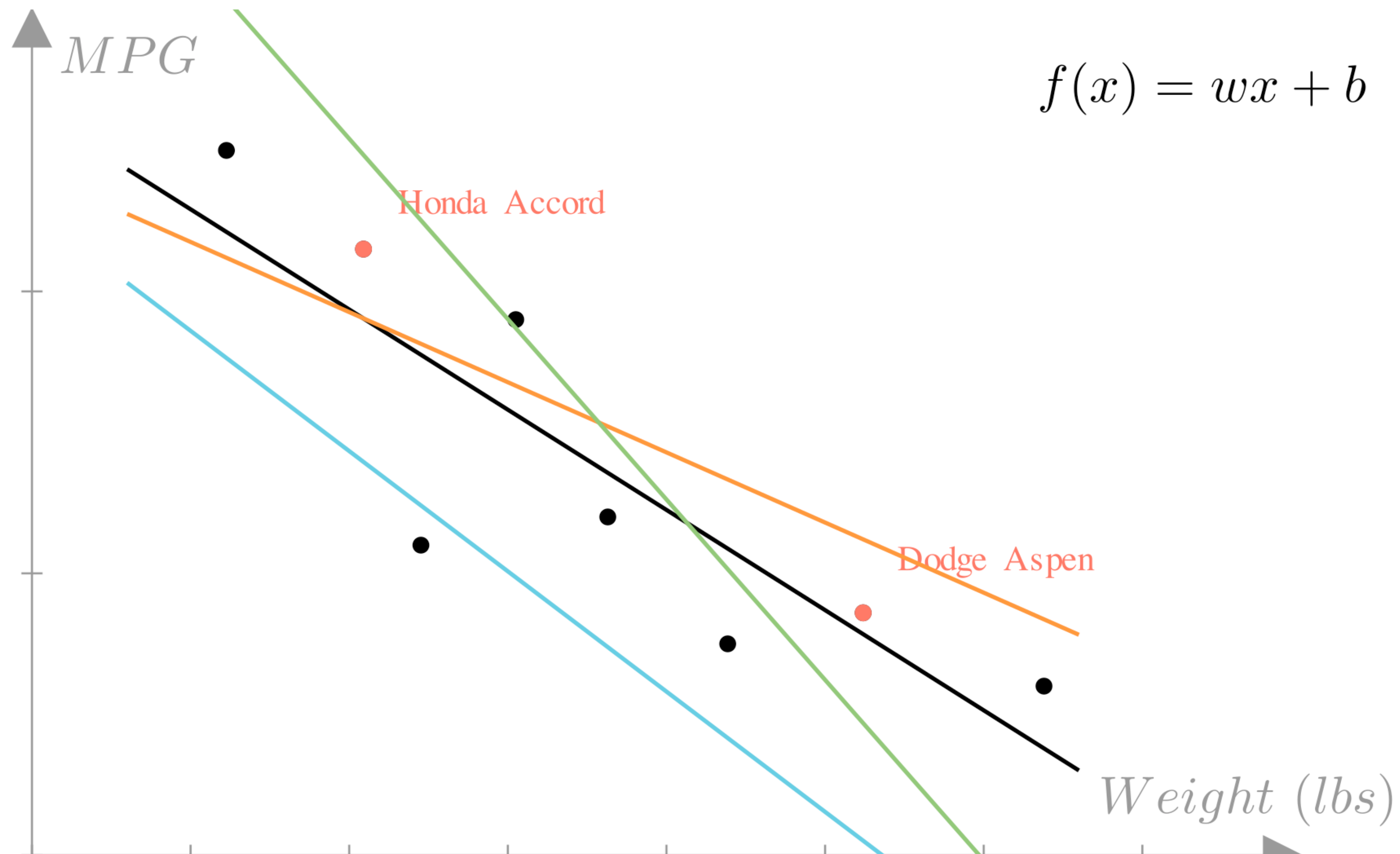
Predicted MPG = $f(\mathbf{x}) =$

(weight) w_1 + (horsepower) w_2 + (displacement) w_3 + (0-60mph) w_4 + b

Or in matrix notation:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Weight} \\ \text{Horsepower} \\ \text{Displacement} \\ \text{0-60mph} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$





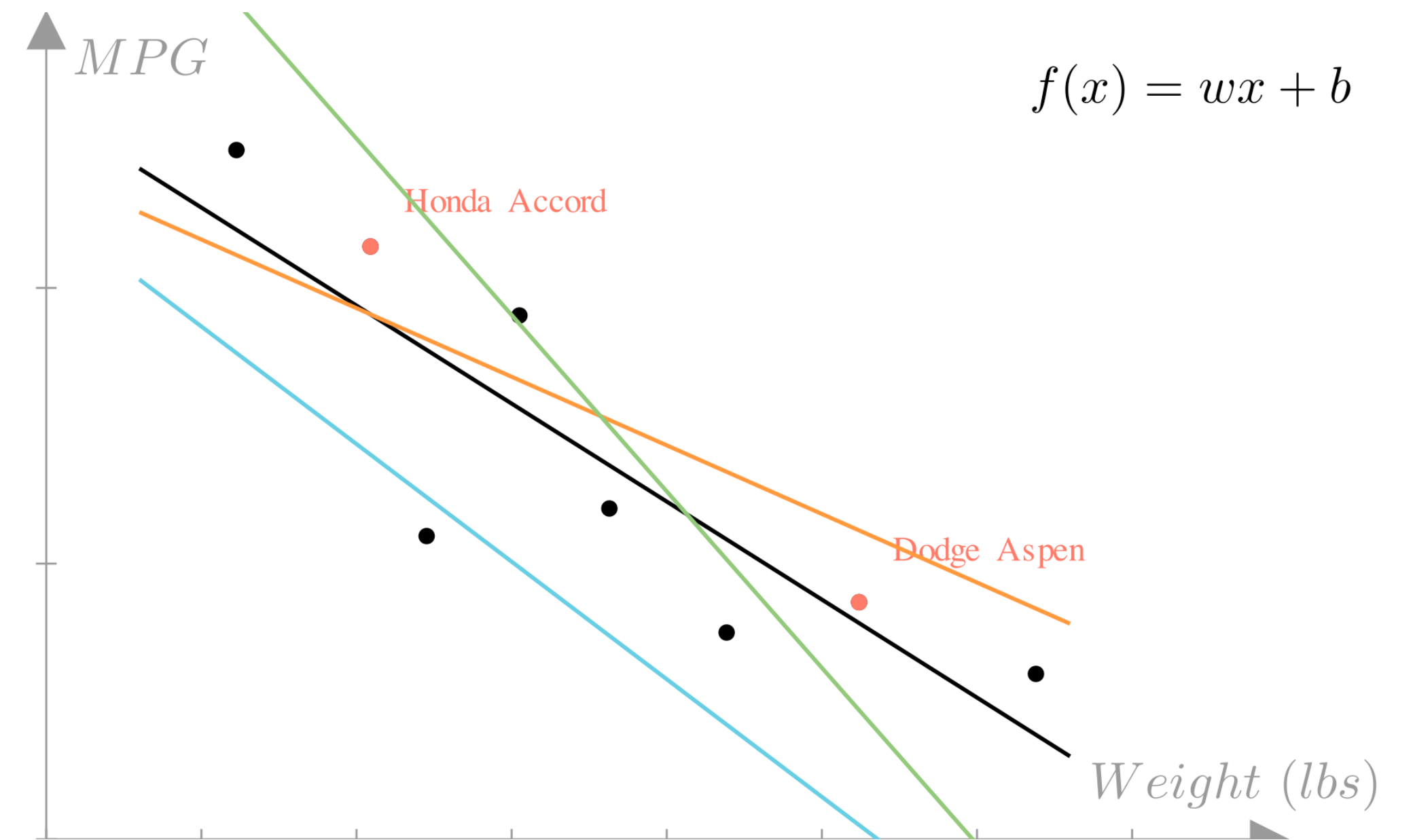
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i + b$$

We typically refer to $\mathbf{w}$ specifically as the **weight vector** (or weights) and b as the **bias**. To summarize:

Affine function: $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} + b$, **Parameters:** (Weights: $\mathbf{w}$, Bias: b)

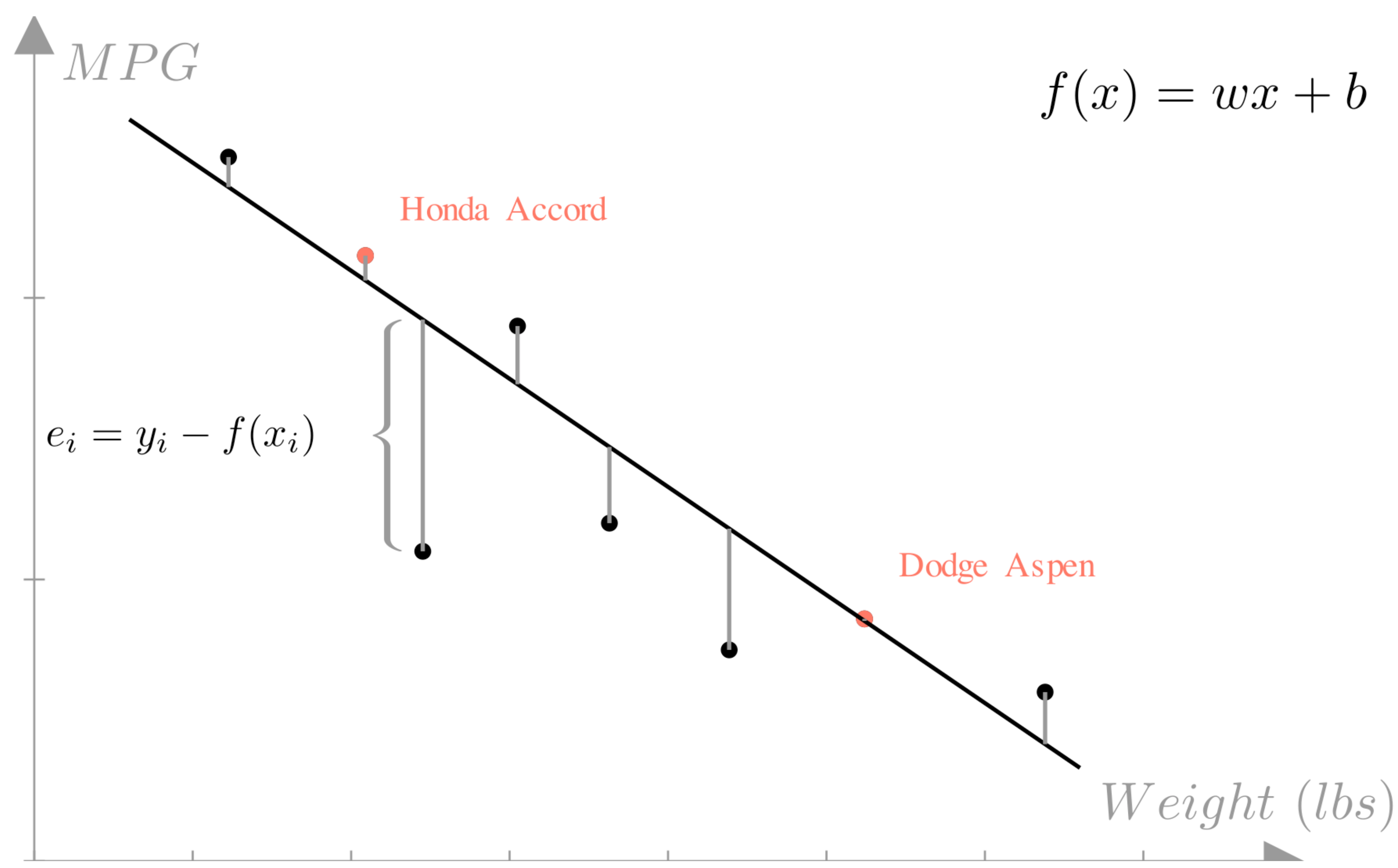
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class Regression:
    def __init__(self, weights):
        self.weights = weights

    def predict(self, x):
        return np.dot(x, self.weights)
```



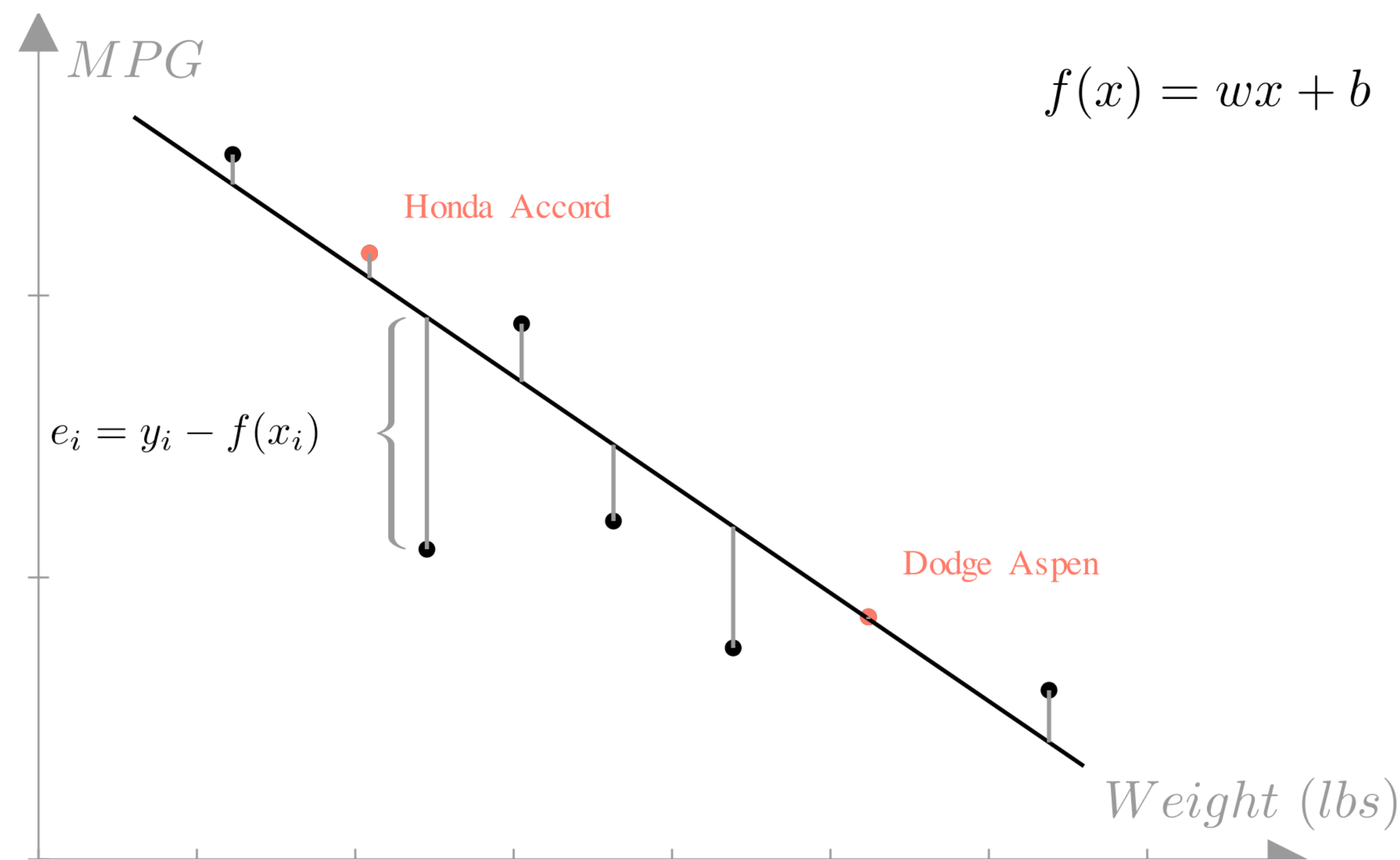
The **residual** or **error** of a prediction is the difference between the prediction and the true output:

$$e_i = y_i - f(\mathbf{x}_i)$$



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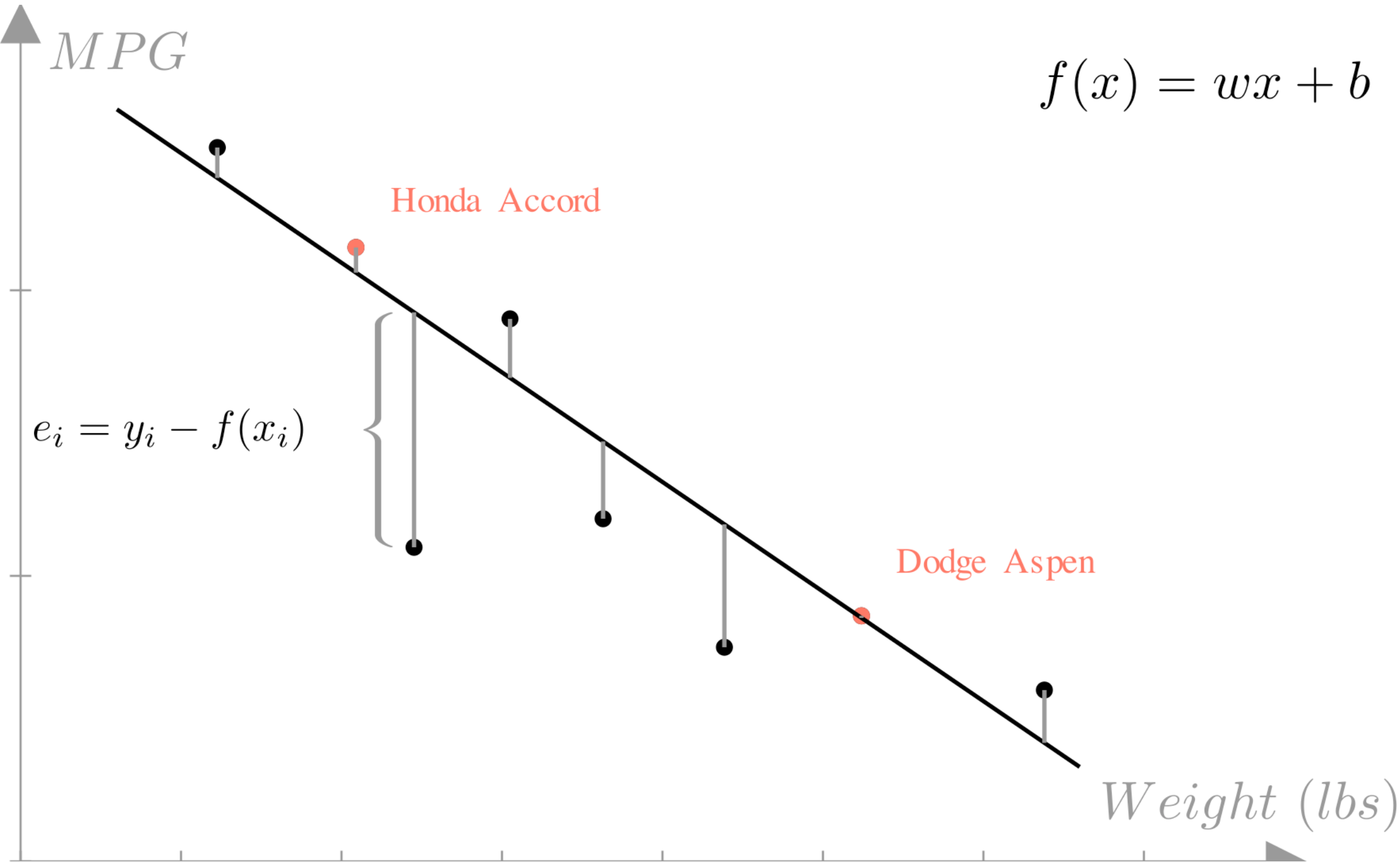
$$MSE = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (f(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2$$



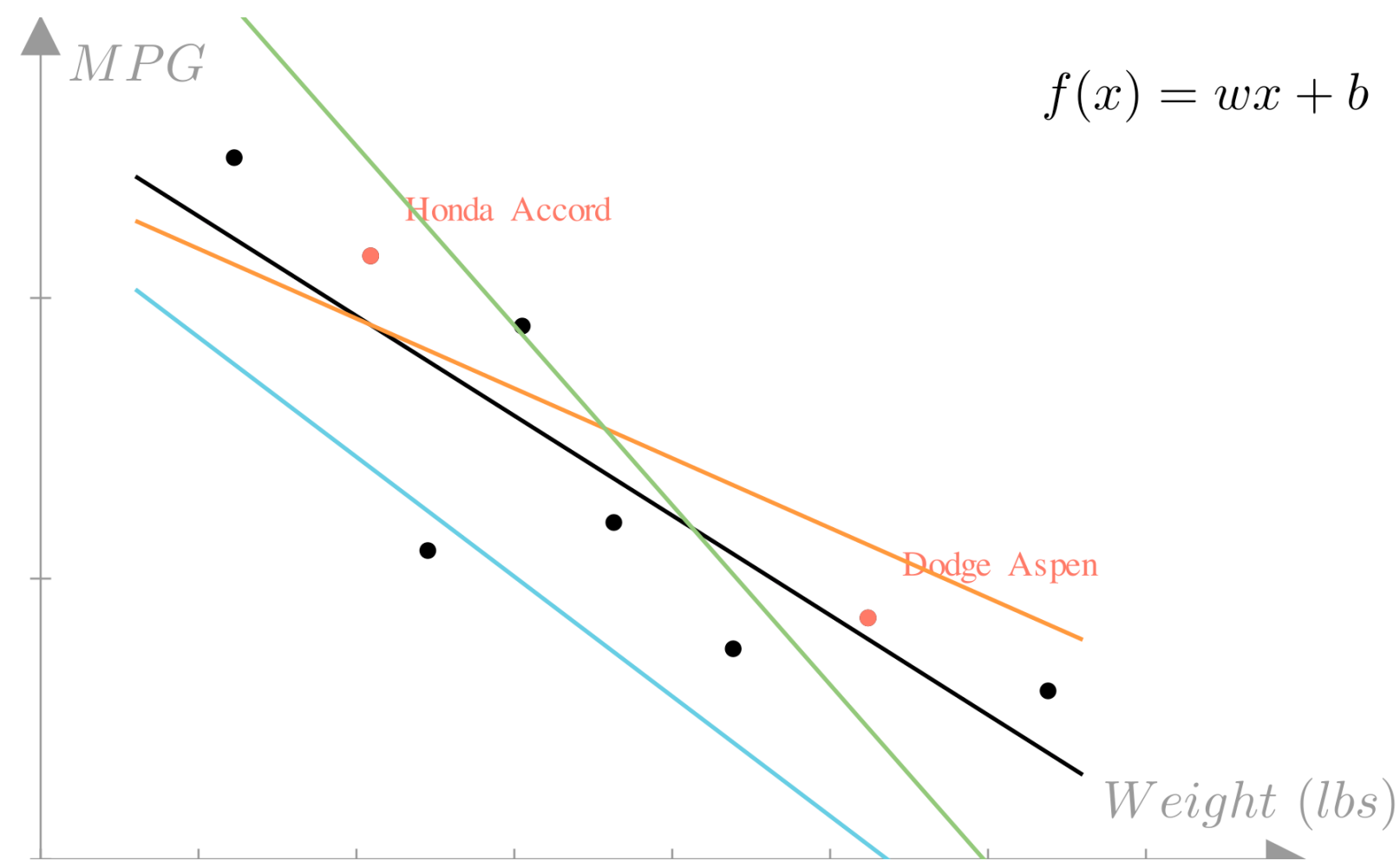
$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, y_2), \dots (\mathbf{x}_N, y_N)\}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1^T \\ \mathbf{x}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_N^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \dots & x_{Nn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix}$$

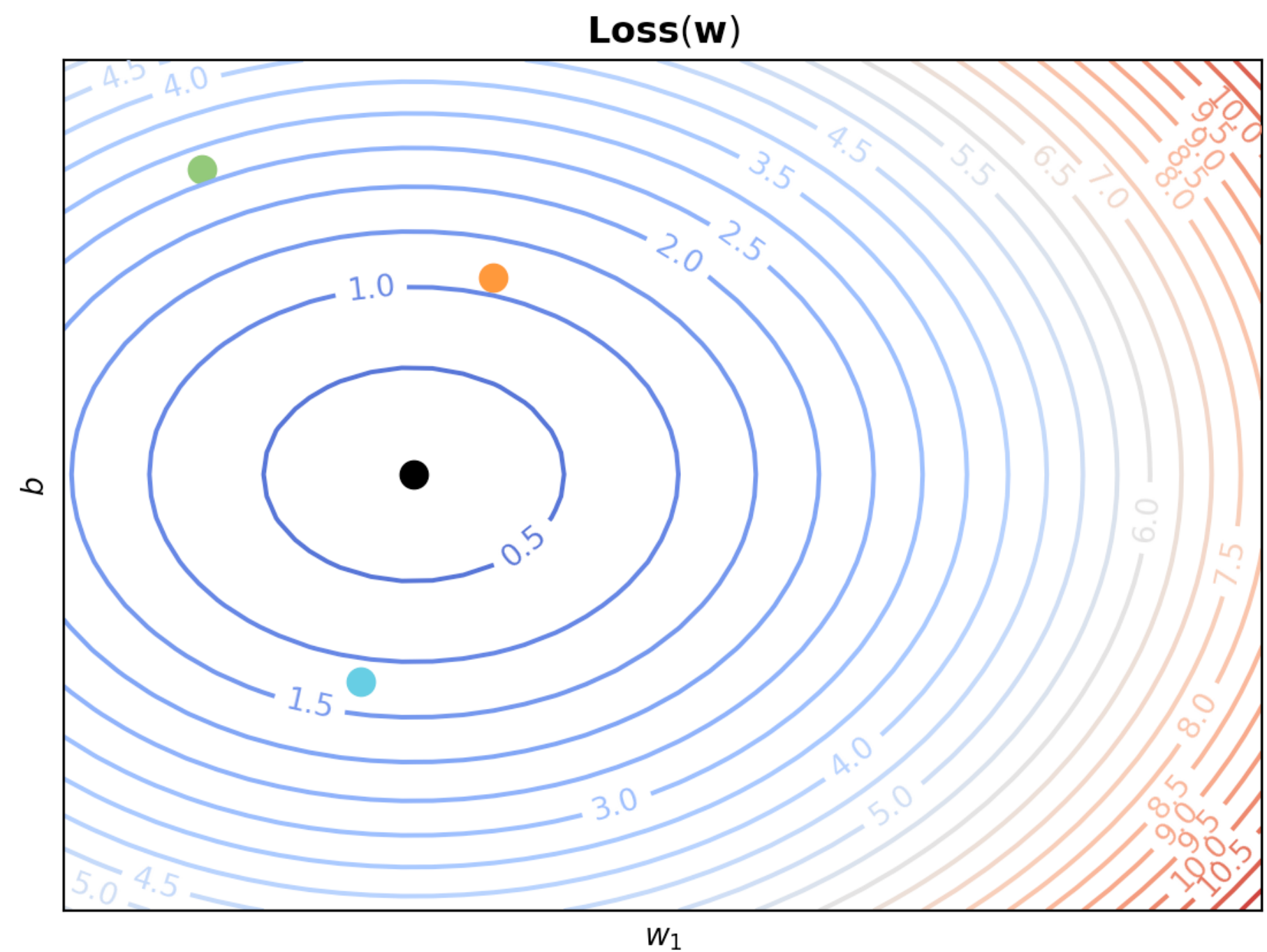
$$MSE(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2$$



$$\mathbf{Loss}(\mathbf{w}) = MSE(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2$$

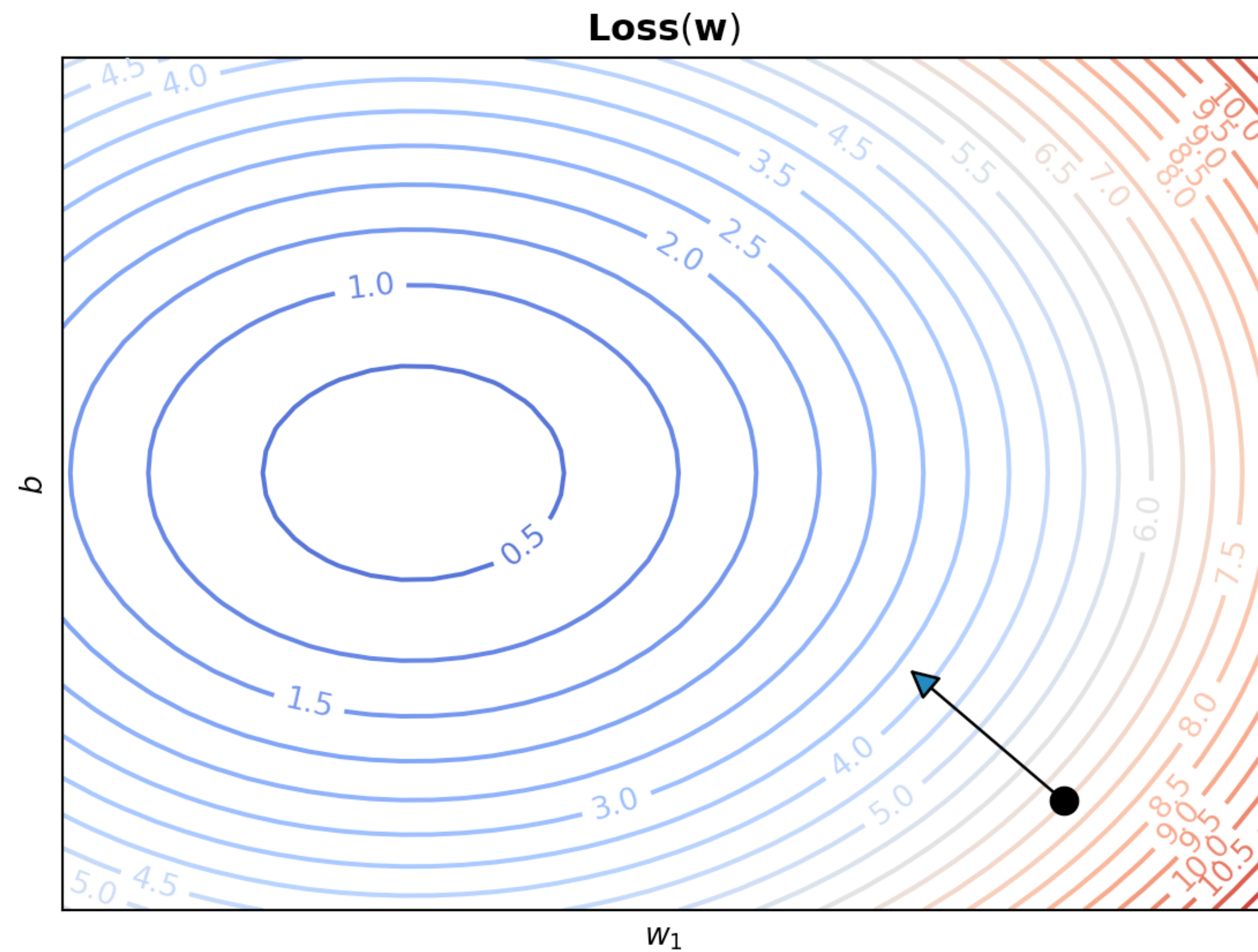


$$\mathbf{w}^* = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbf{Loss}(\mathbf{w}) = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2$$



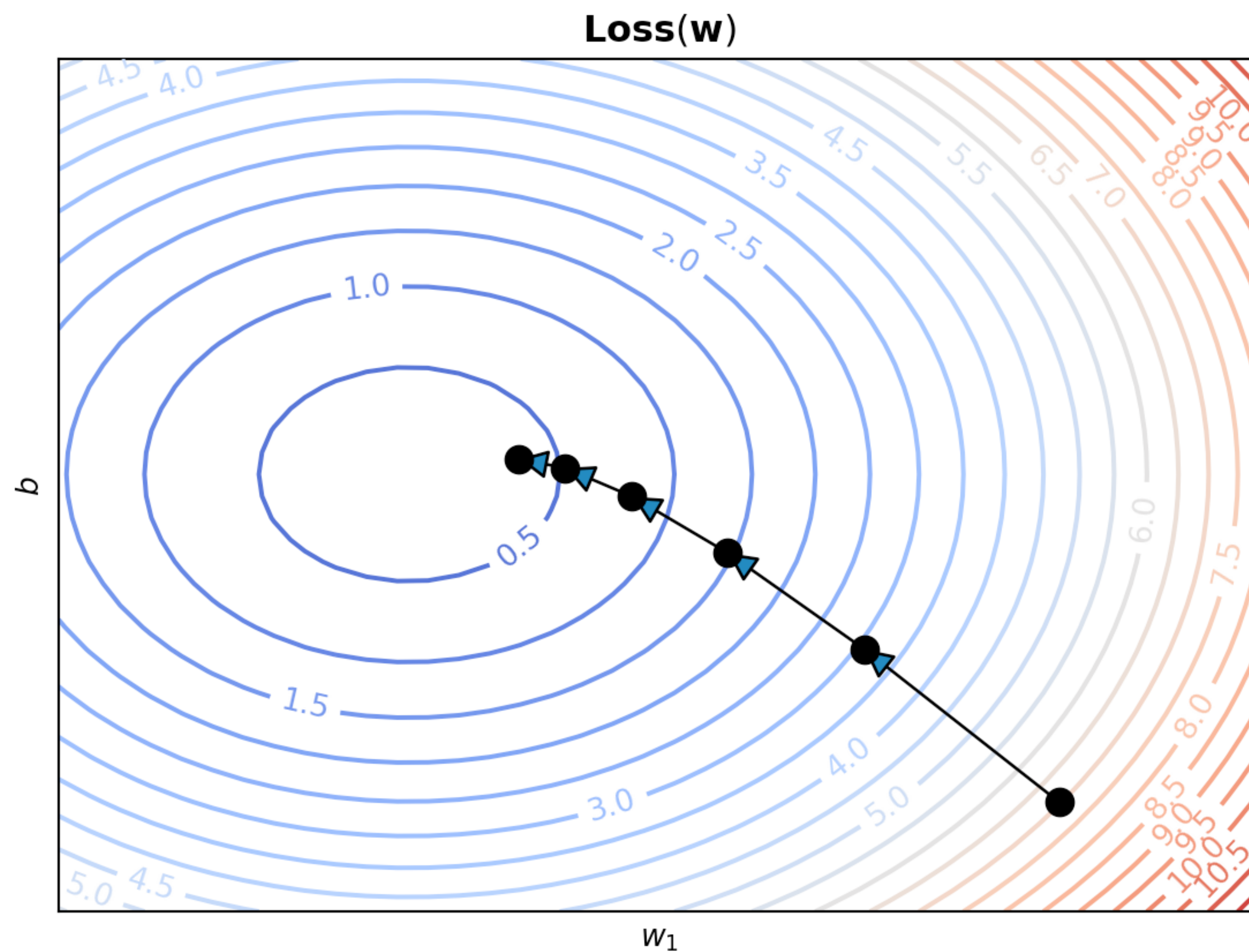
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$$\mathbf{w}^{(1)} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{(0)} + \mathbf{g}$$



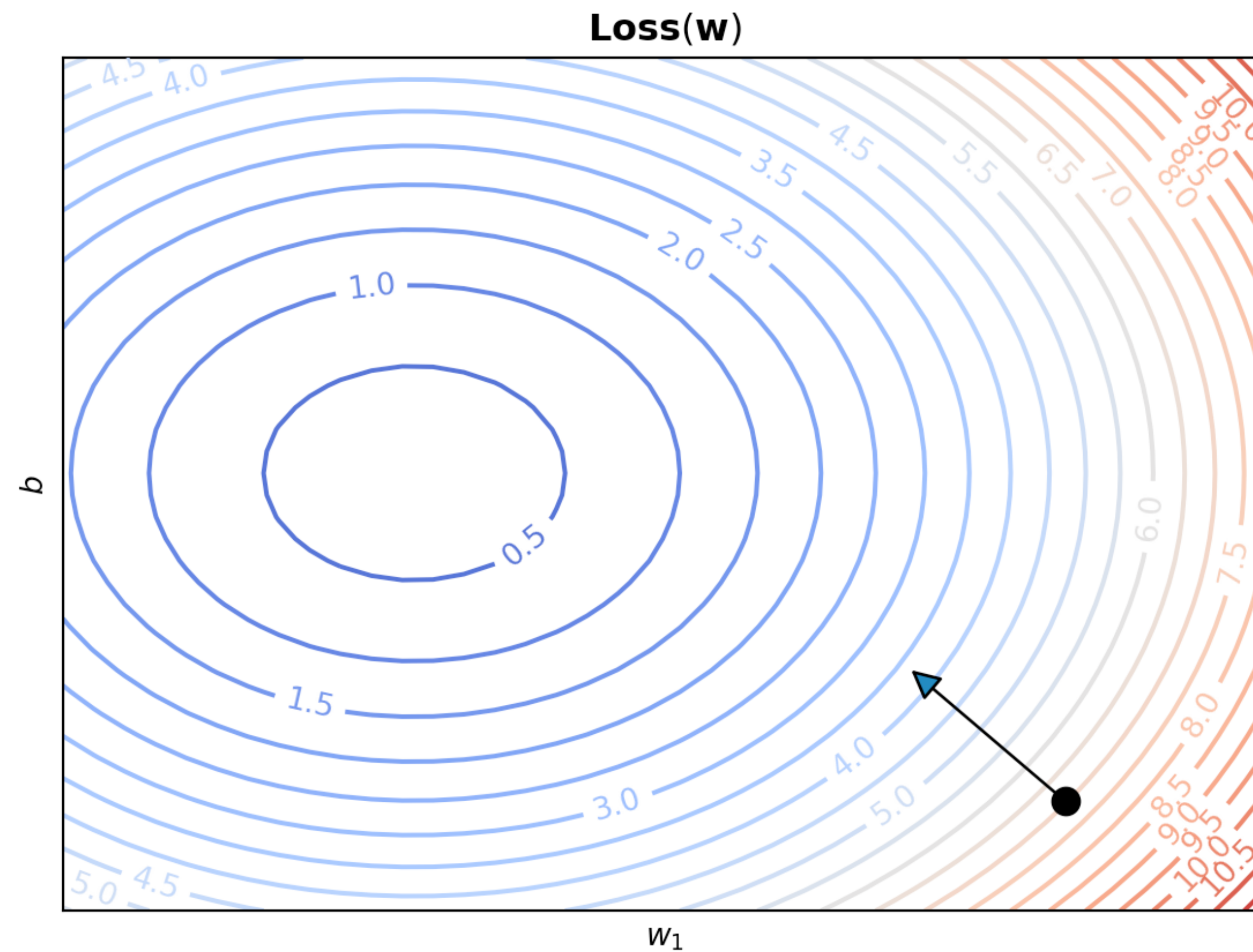
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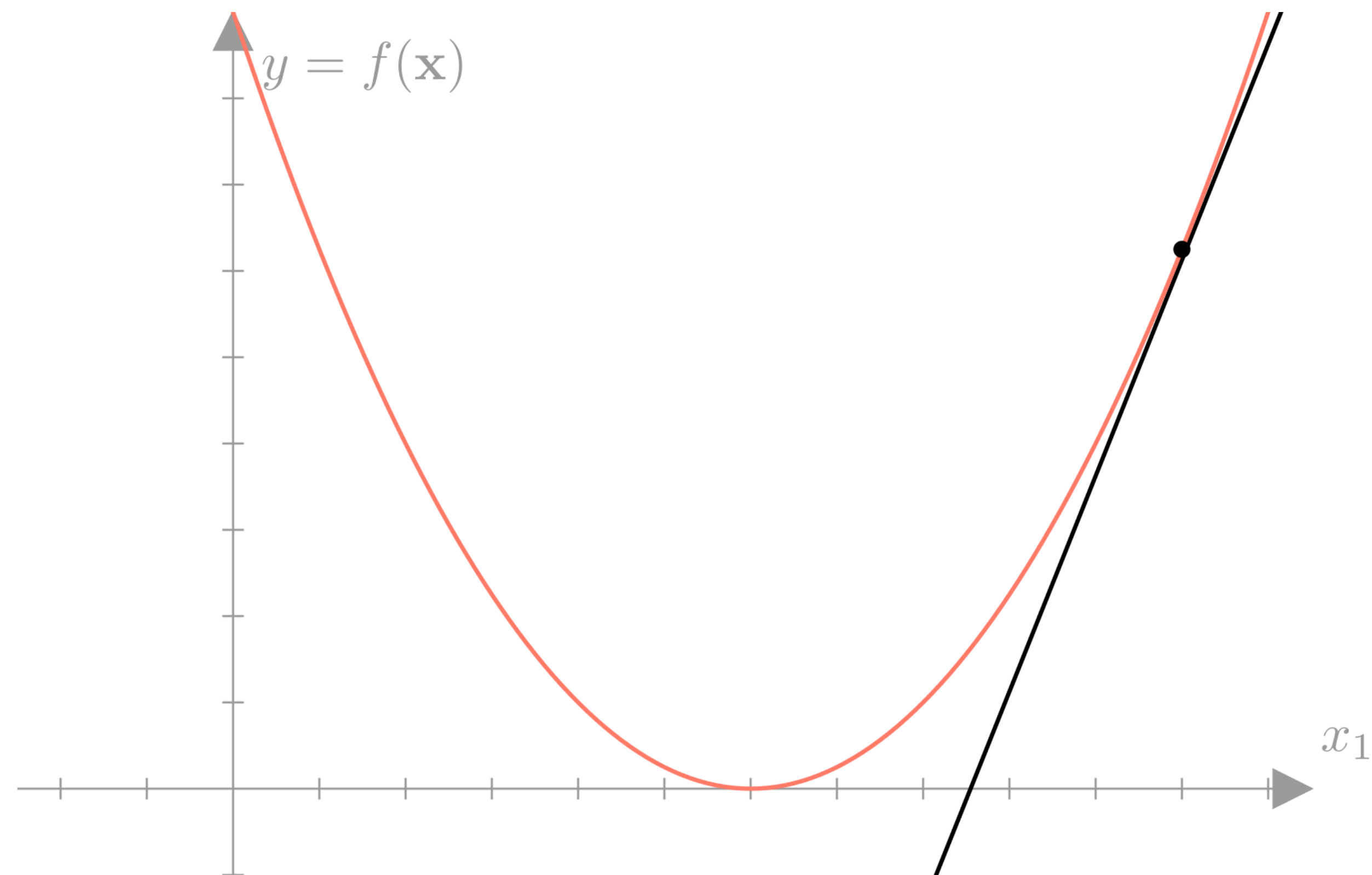
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The **gradient** of a vector-input function is a vector such that each element is the partial derivative of the function with respect to the corresponding element of the input vector. We'll use the same notation as derivatives for gradients.

$$\frac{df}{d\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} =$$

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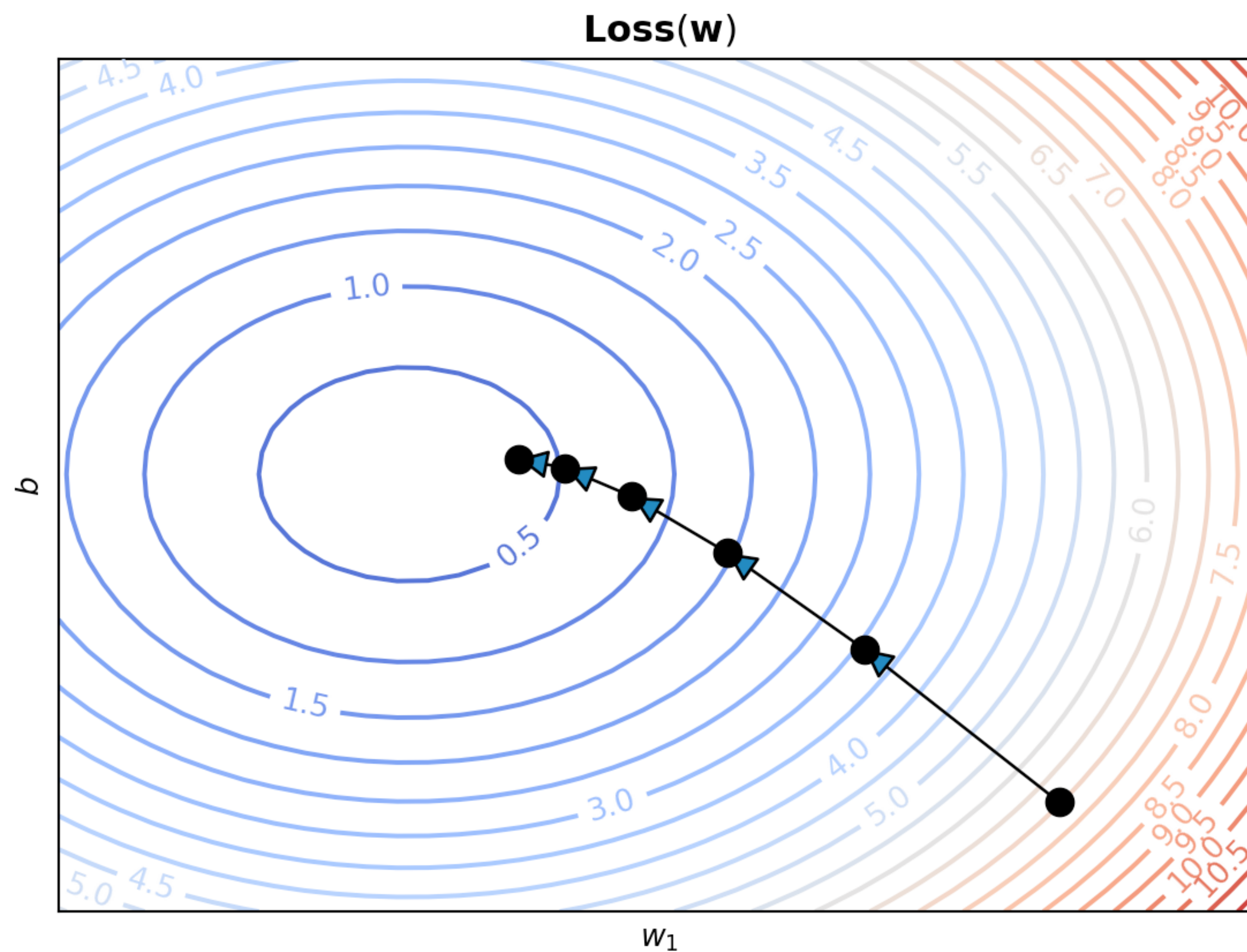
$$\frac{df}{d\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{df}{d\mathbf{x}} = \nabla f(\mathbf{x})$$


$$\frac{df}{d\mathbf{x}} = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \quad \frac{df}{d\mathbf{y}} = \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

Find: $\mathbf{w}^* = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} f(\mathbf{w})$

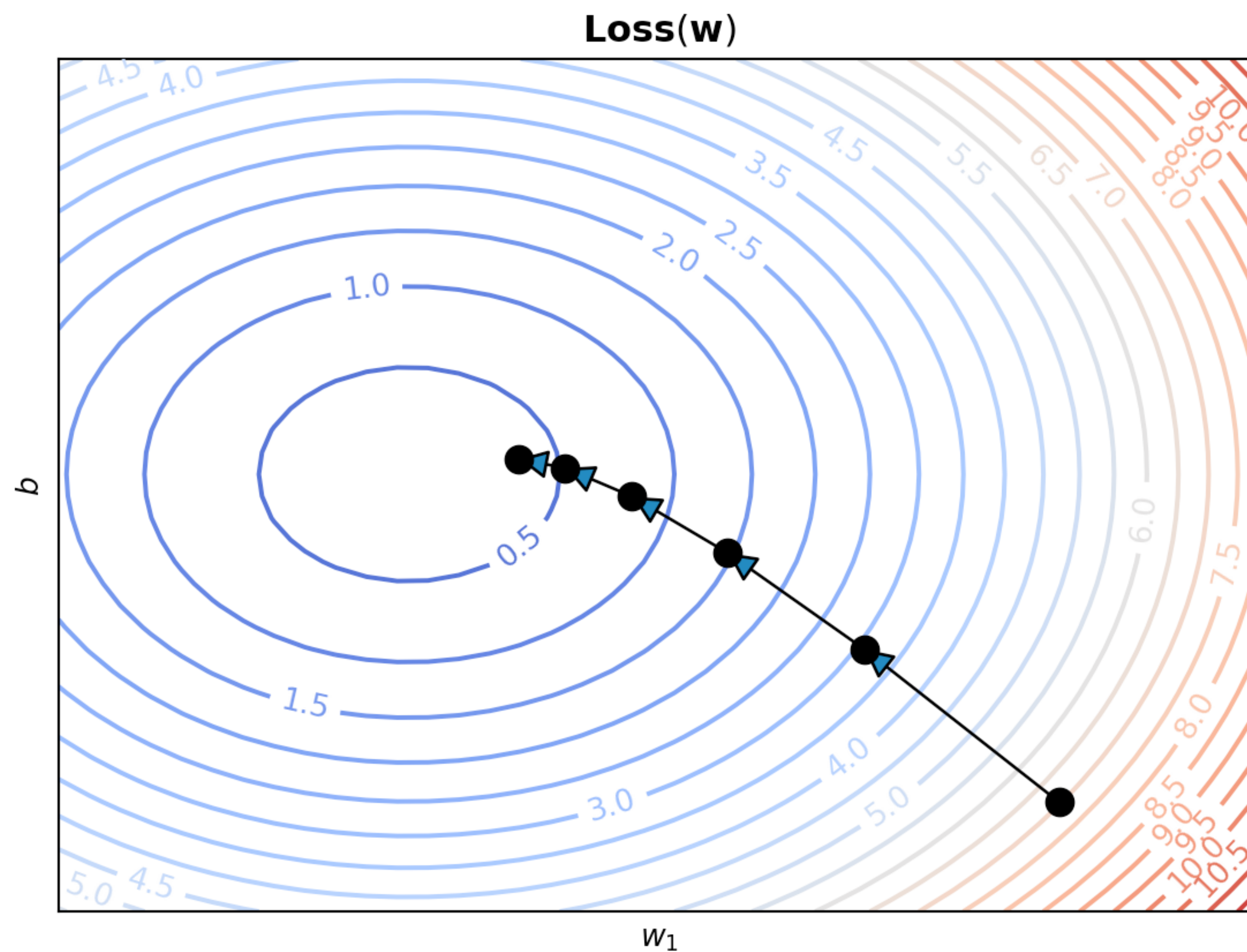
For i in $1, \dots, T$: $\mathbf{w}^{(i+1)} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(i)})$



$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{MSE}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{d}{d\mathbf{w}} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2 \right)$$

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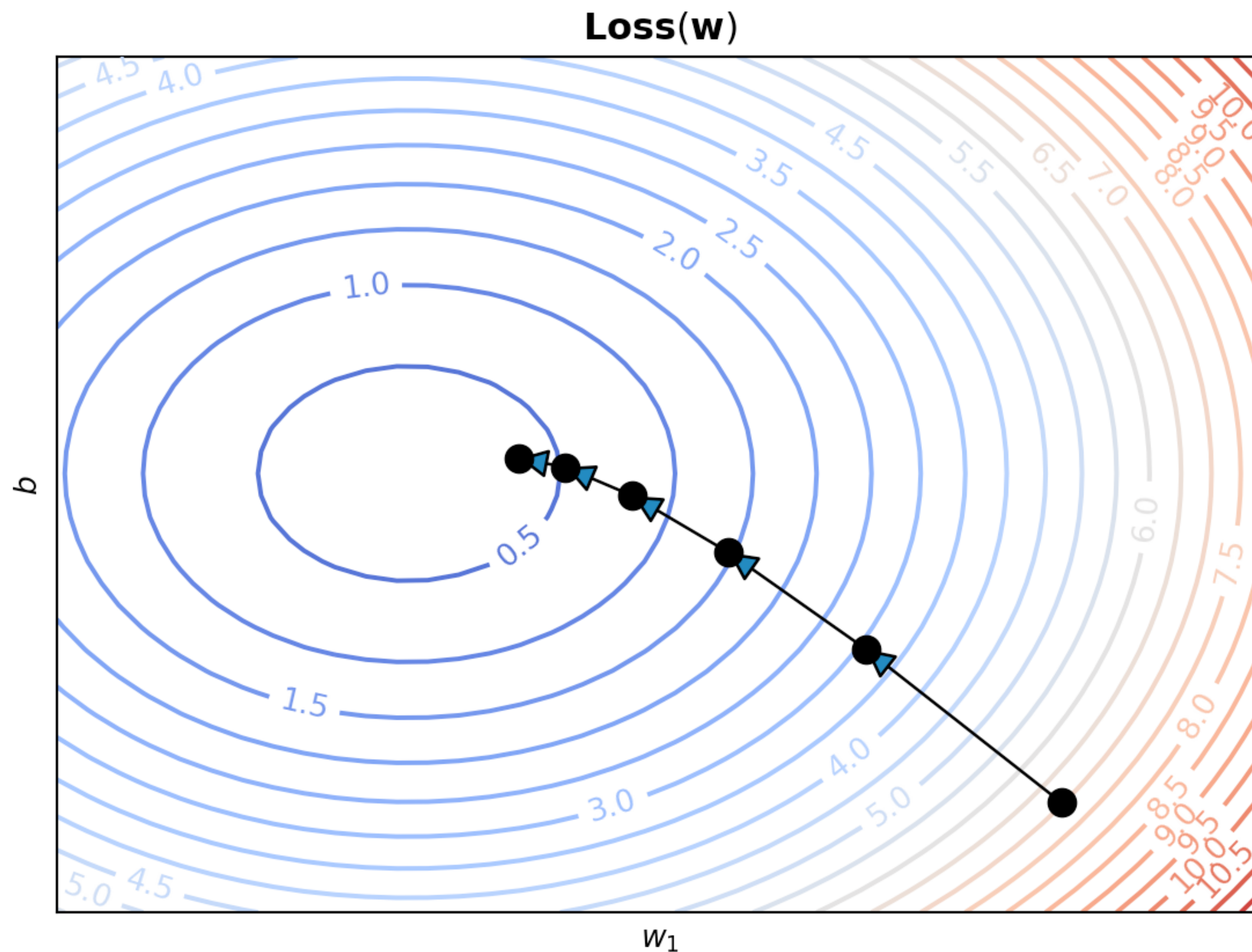
Recall that it's minimum value $\mathbf{w}^*$, a function f *must* have a gradient of $\mathbf{0}$.

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{w}^*) = \mathbf{0}$$

It follows that:

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \mathbf{w}^* - \nabla f(\mathbf{w}^*)$$

While $\nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(i)}) \neq \mathbf{0}$: $\mathbf{w}^{(i+1)} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(i)})$



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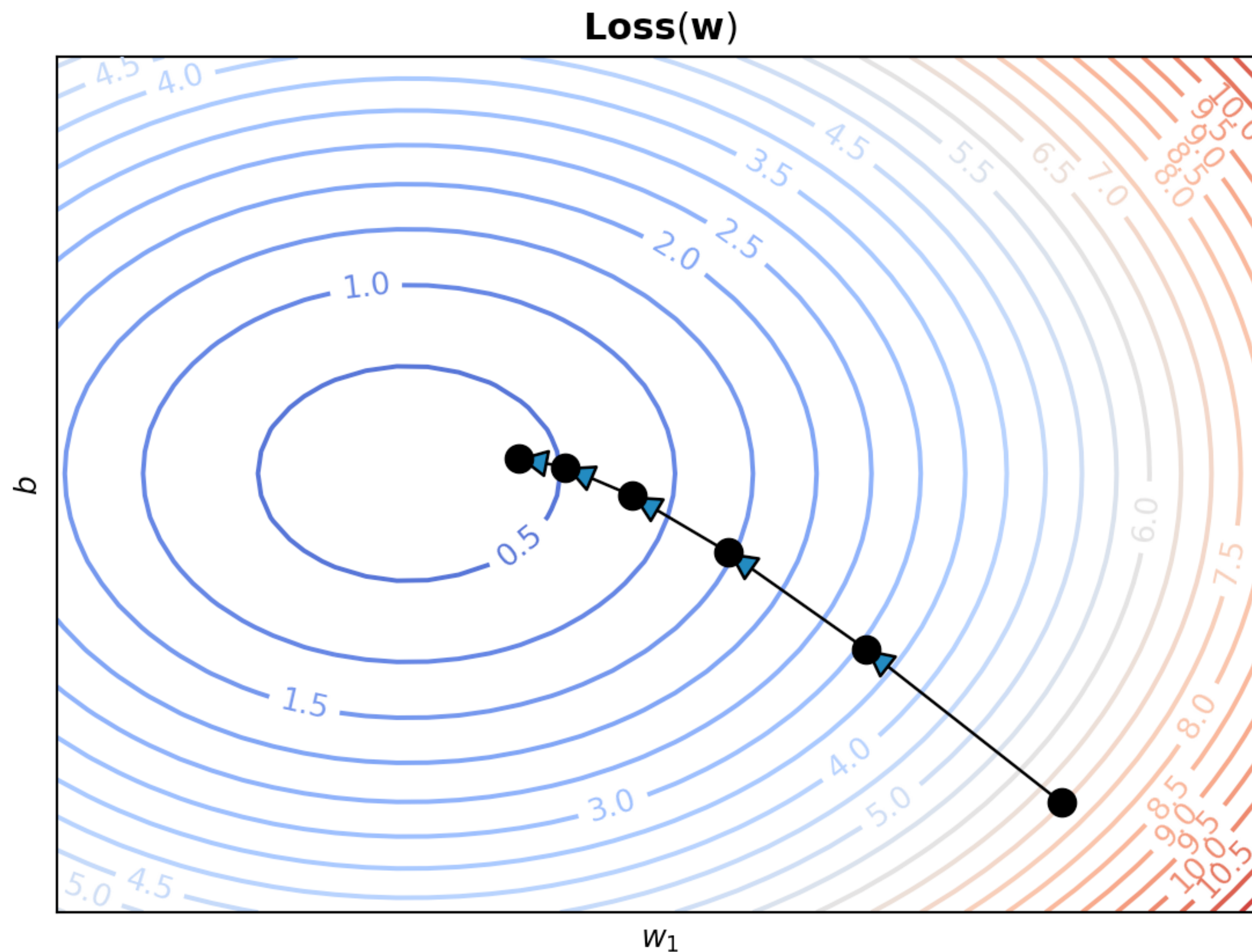
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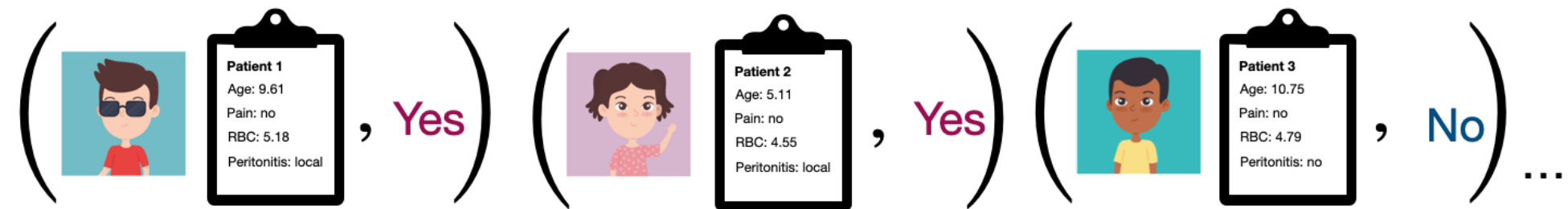
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Recap

Dataset

Set of known inputs and **outputs**



Input table

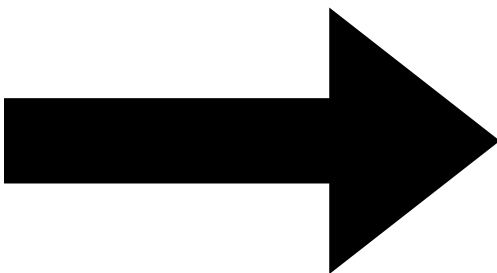
Patients with abdominal pain						
	Age	Appendix Size	Migratory Pain	RBC Count	RBC Urine	Peritonitis
0	9.61	9.0	no	5.18	high	local
1	5.11	7.0	no	4.55	medium	local
2	10.75	5.0	no	4.79	none	no
3	10.51	9.0	no	5.03	none	local
4	7.3	6.2	yes	4.64	low	no
5	15.21	8.5	yes	4.62	low	no
6	15.83	12.0	yes	4.33	high	no
7	9.58	7.0	yes	5.04	low	generalized
8	10.37	5.5	no	4.8	none	no
9	16.66	9.0	yes	5.31	none	no
10	14.52	4.5	yes	4.9	none	no
11	10.74	9.0	no	5.66	none	local
12	12.41	3.7	no	5.49	none	no
13	6.67	3.5	no	5.27	none	no
14	14.36	9.0	yes	4.84	low	local
15	9.04	5.3	yes	4.92	low	no
16	12.43	12.0	yes	4.62	none	generalized

Output table

Diagnosis	
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0	appendicitis
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15	no appendicitis
16	appendicitis

Abstraction

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), (\mathbf{x}_2, y_2), \dots (\mathbf{x}_N, y_N)\}$$



$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1^T \\ \mathbf{x}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_N^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \dots & x_{Nn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix}$$

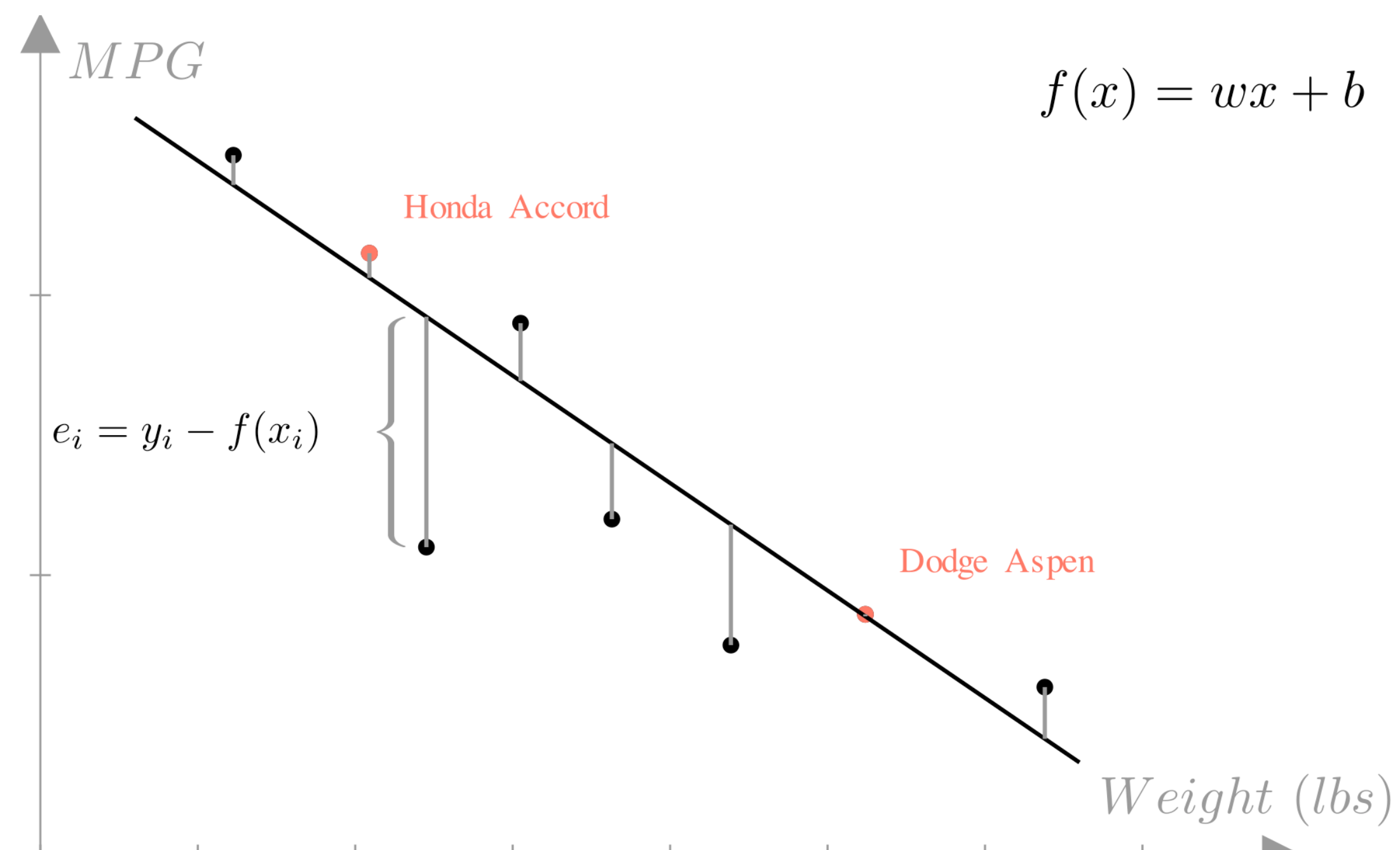
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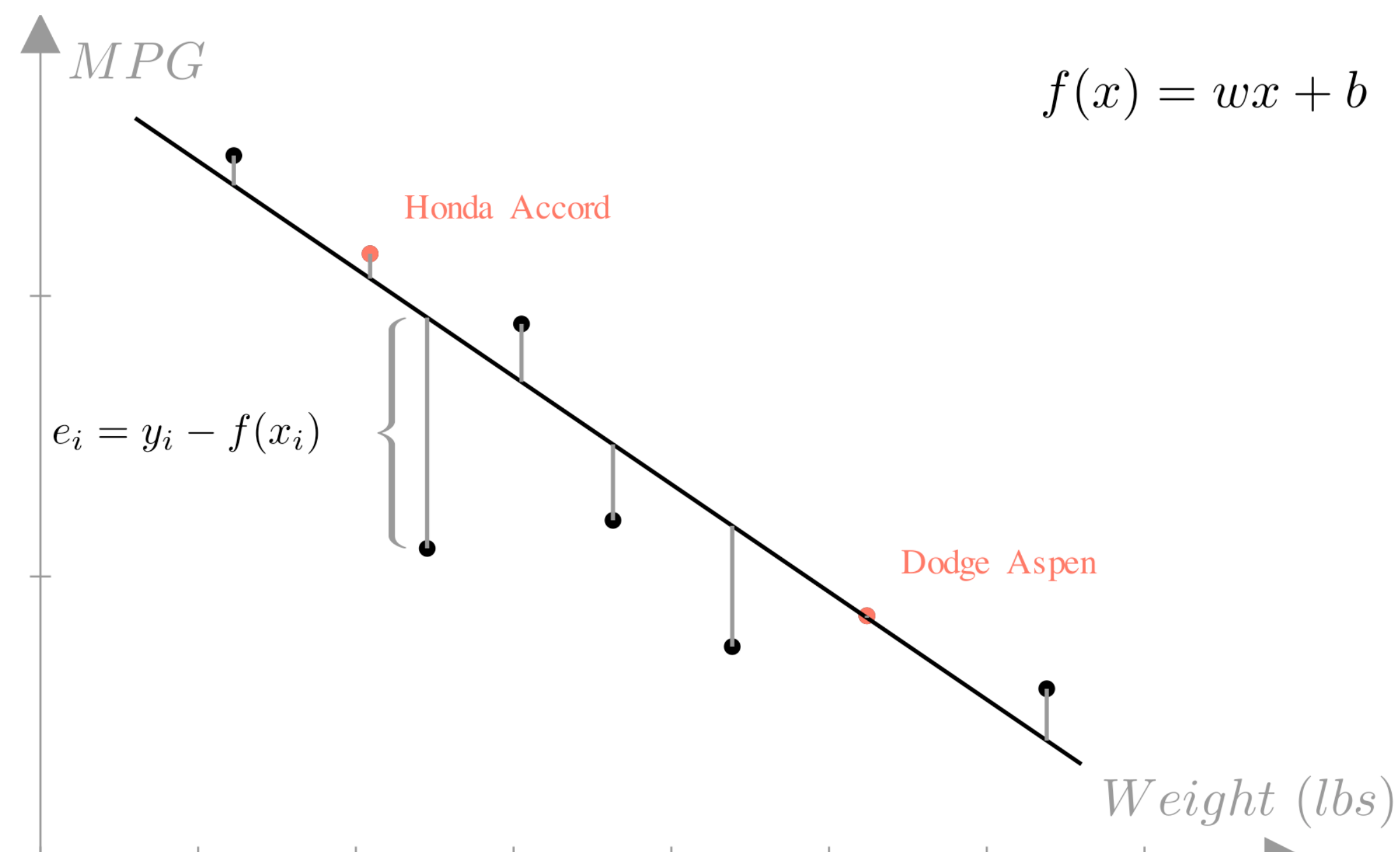
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Augmenting inputs trick

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}_{aug} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \mathbf{w}_{aug} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

We can easily see then that using this notation:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} + b = \mathbf{x}_{aug}^T \mathbf{w}_{aug}$$



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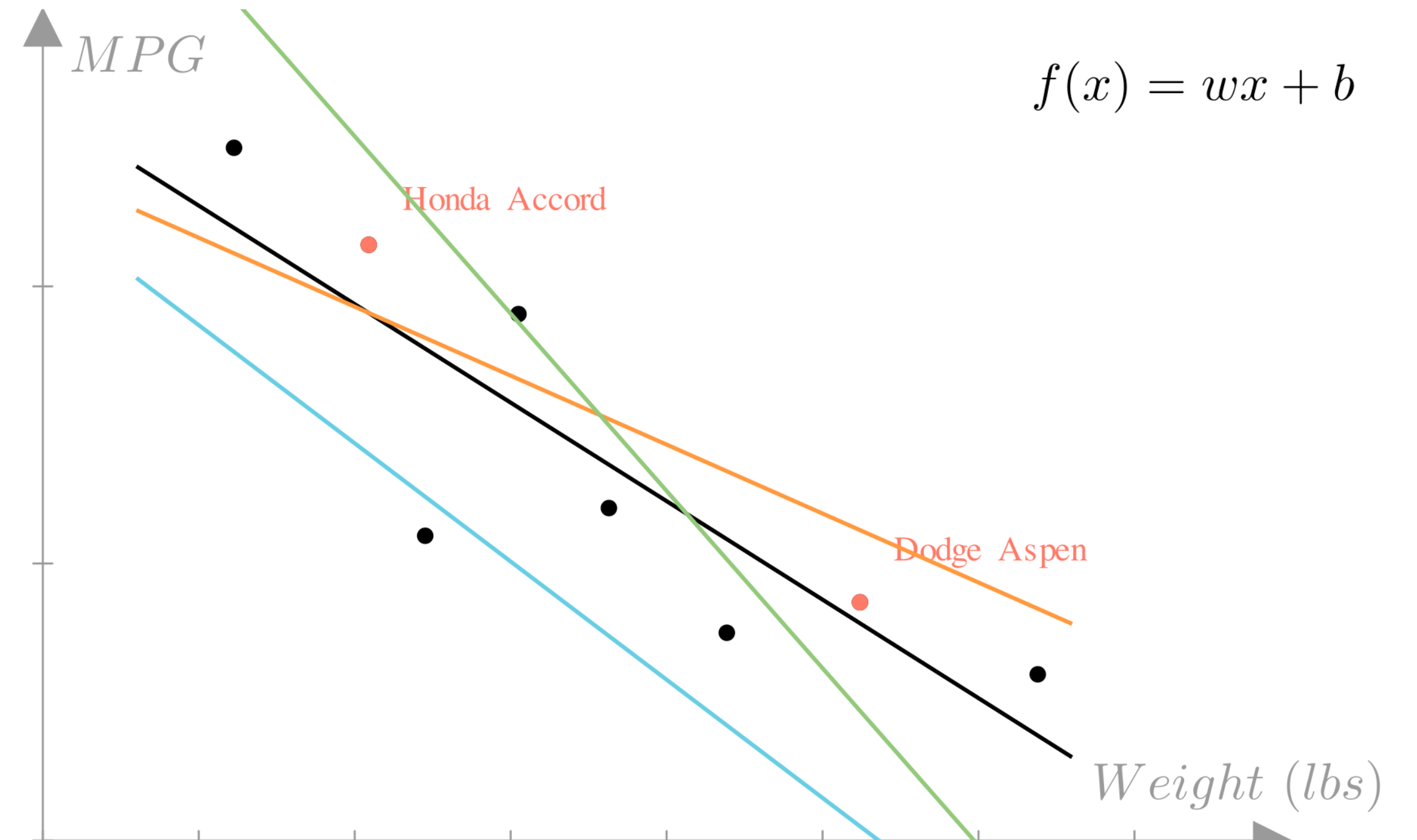
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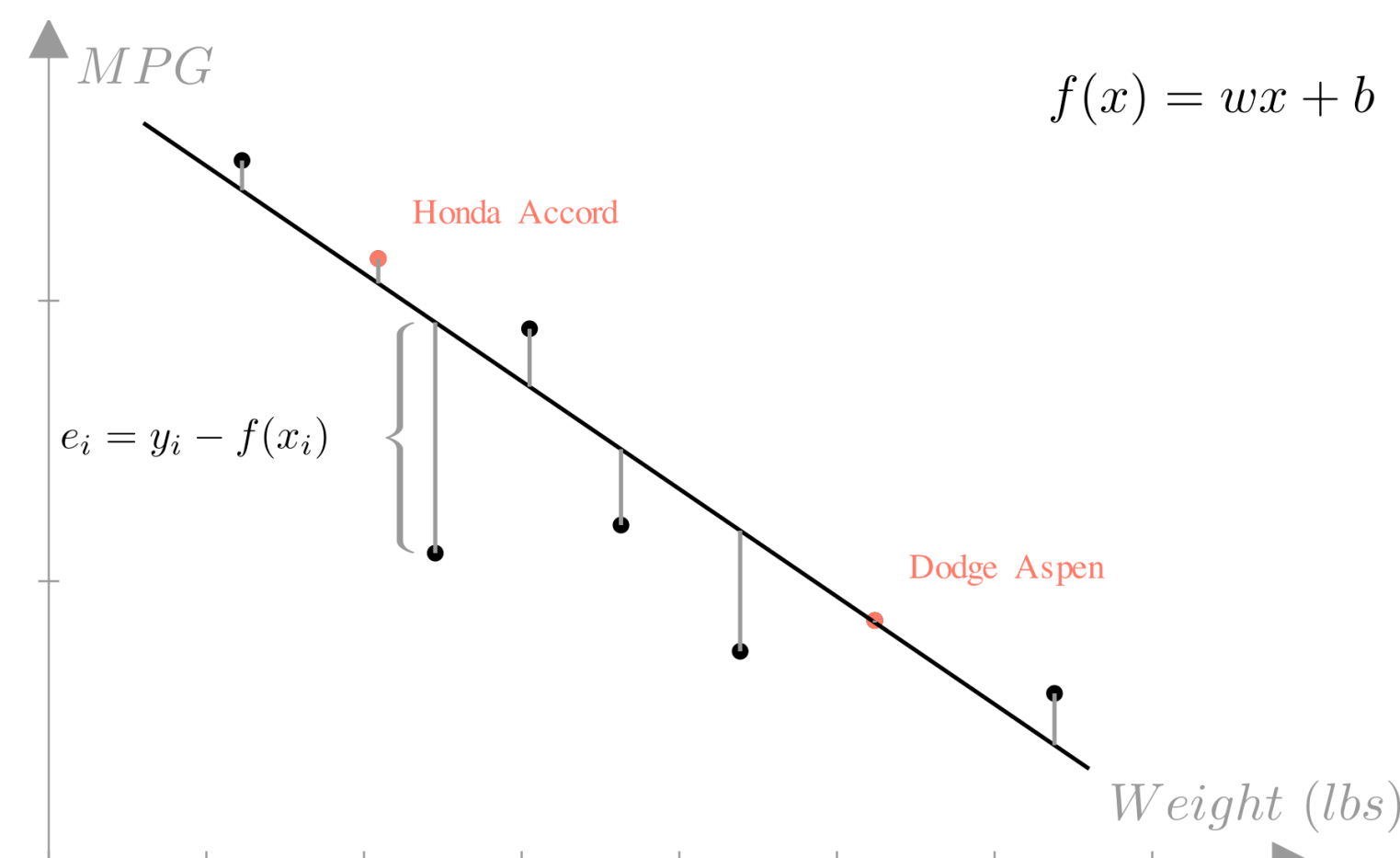
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How to choose a function?



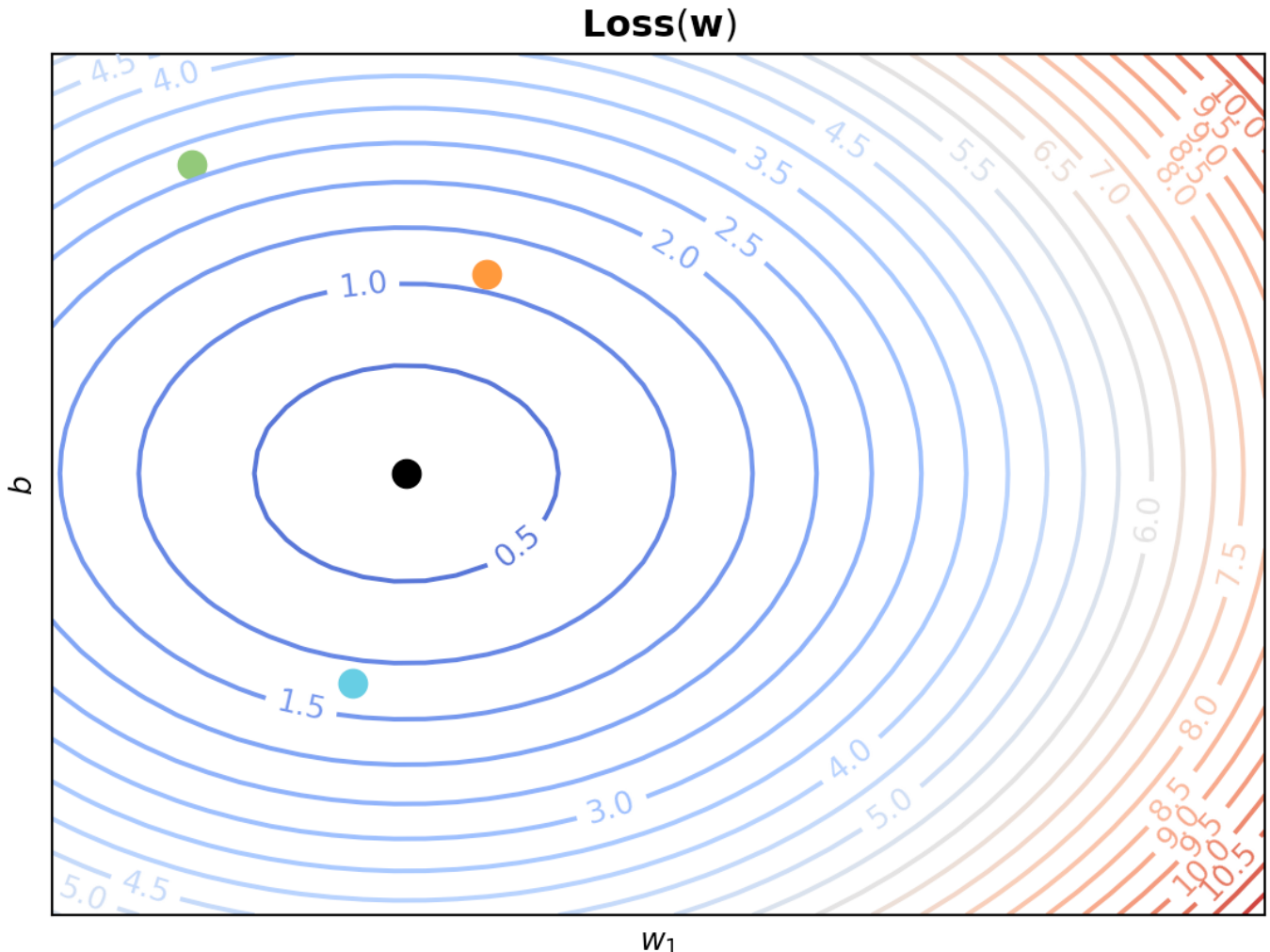
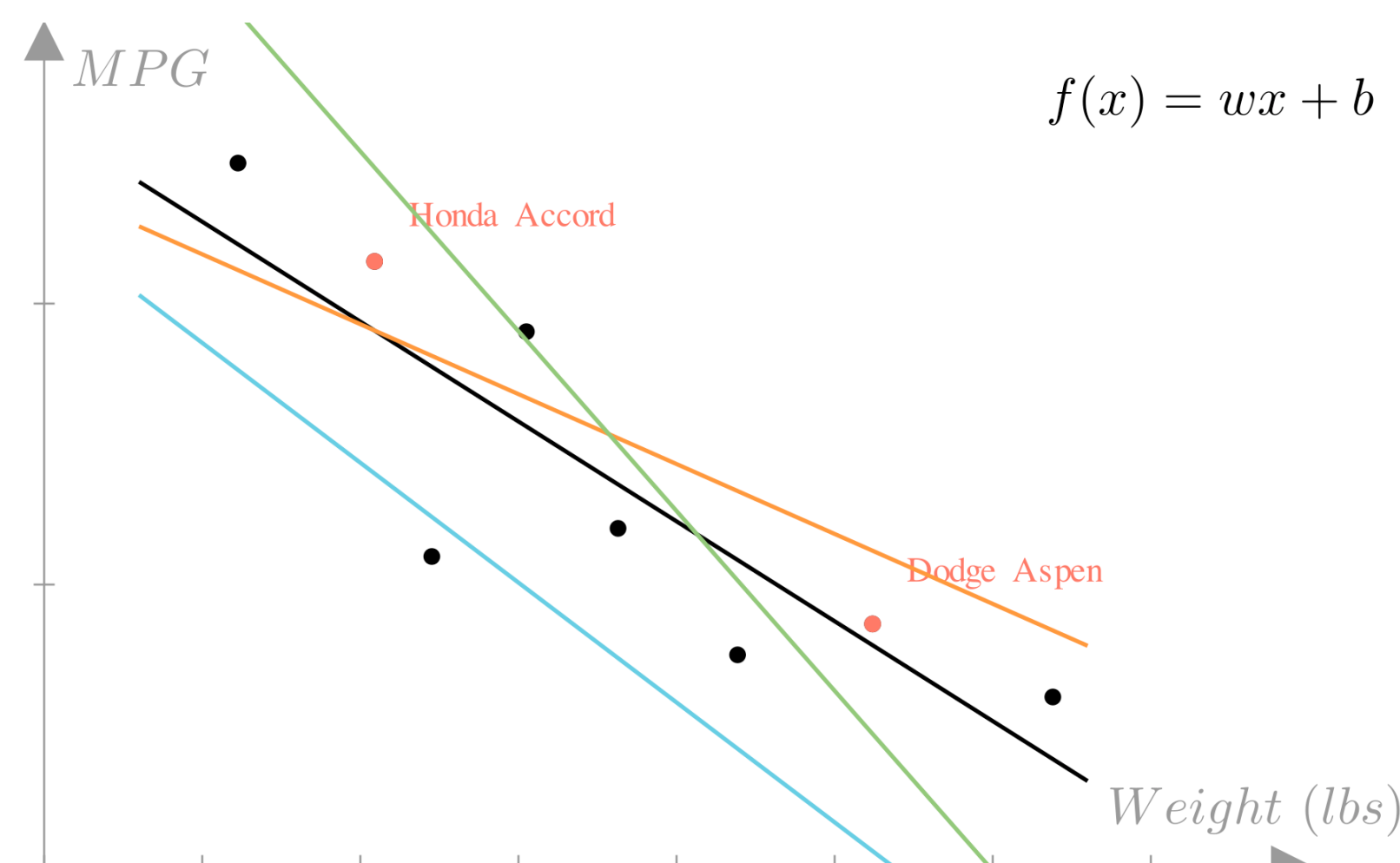
Residuals measure error

MSE loss minimizes squared residuals



$$\mathbf{Loss}(\mathbf{w}) = MSE(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2$$

Loss is a *function of parameters*



Find parameters that minimize loss:

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbf{Loss}(\mathbf{w}) = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2$$

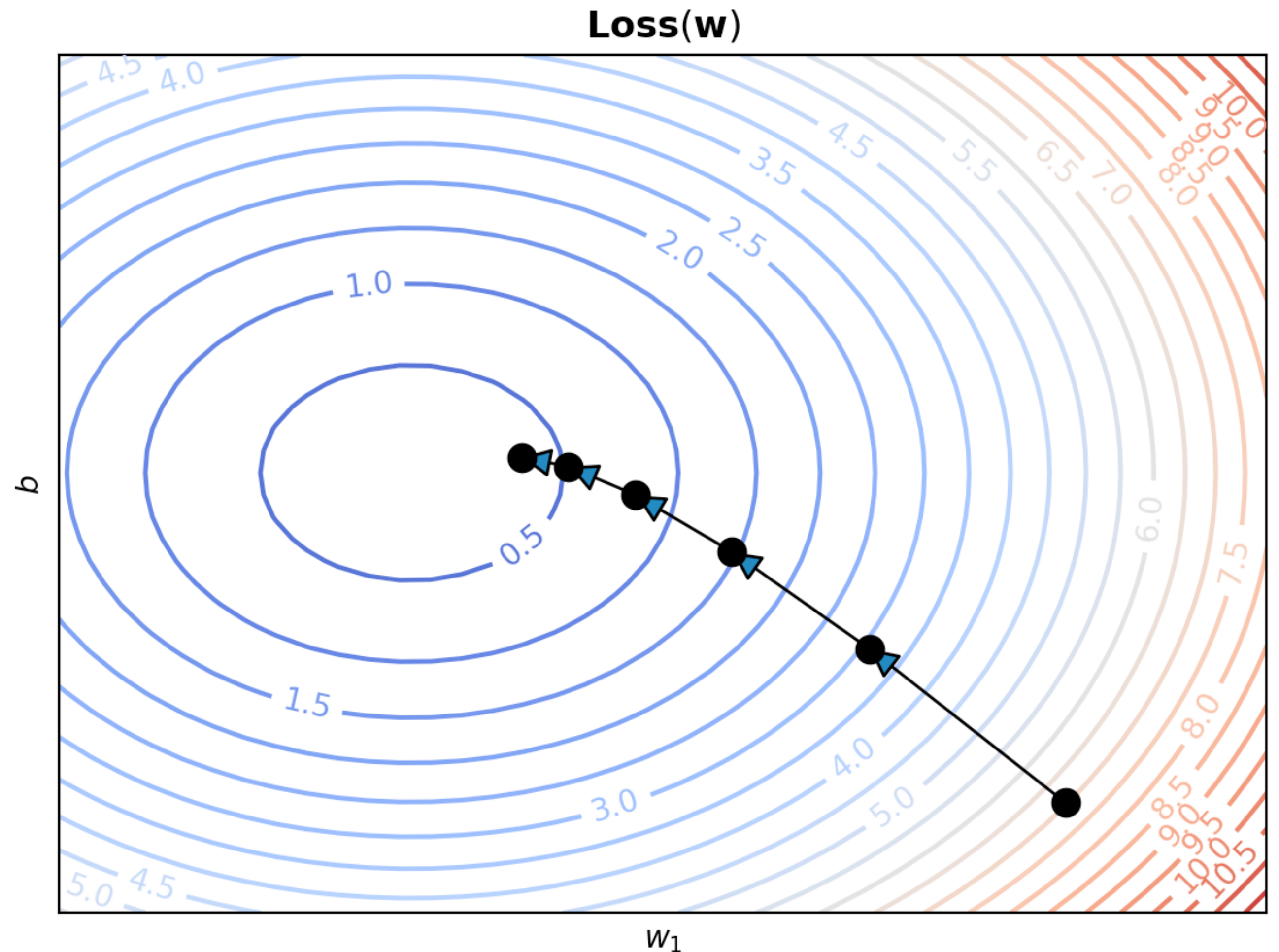
Gradient descent: start with random guess, then *update* in direction of steepest descent (gradient)

$$\text{Find: } \mathbf{w}^* = \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} f(\mathbf{w})$$

$$\text{For } i \text{ in } 1, \dots, T : \quad \mathbf{w}^{(i+1)} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(i)})$$

Gradient: *vector* of partial derivatives

$$\frac{df}{d\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \nabla f(\mathbf{x})$$



Calculus with vectors is similar to calculus with scalars!

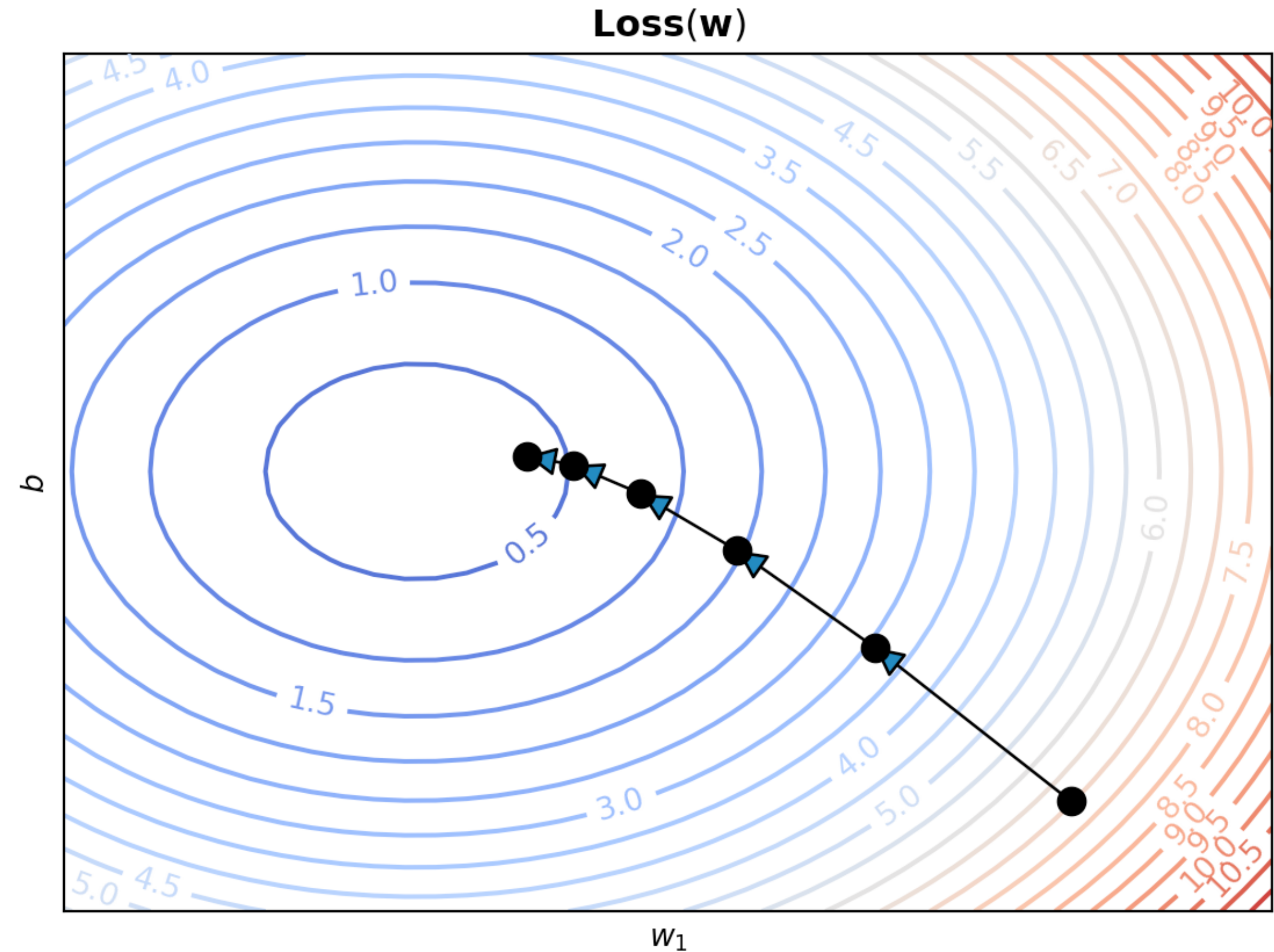
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Can verify rules by taking individual partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} =$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} x_1^2 = 2x_1$$



Problems with gradient descent

Recall that it's minimum value $\mathbf{w}^*$, a function f *must* have a gradient of $\mathbf{0}$.

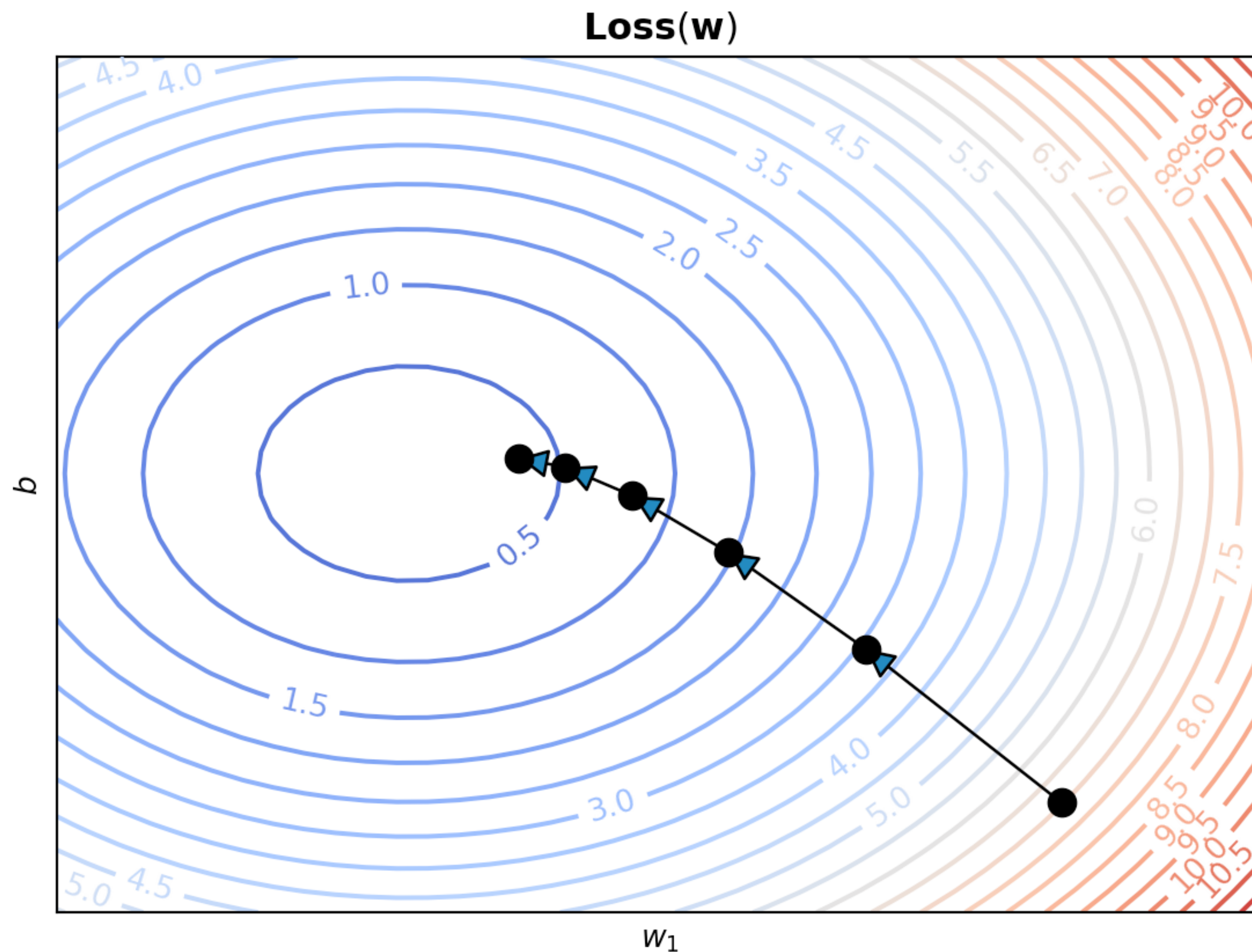
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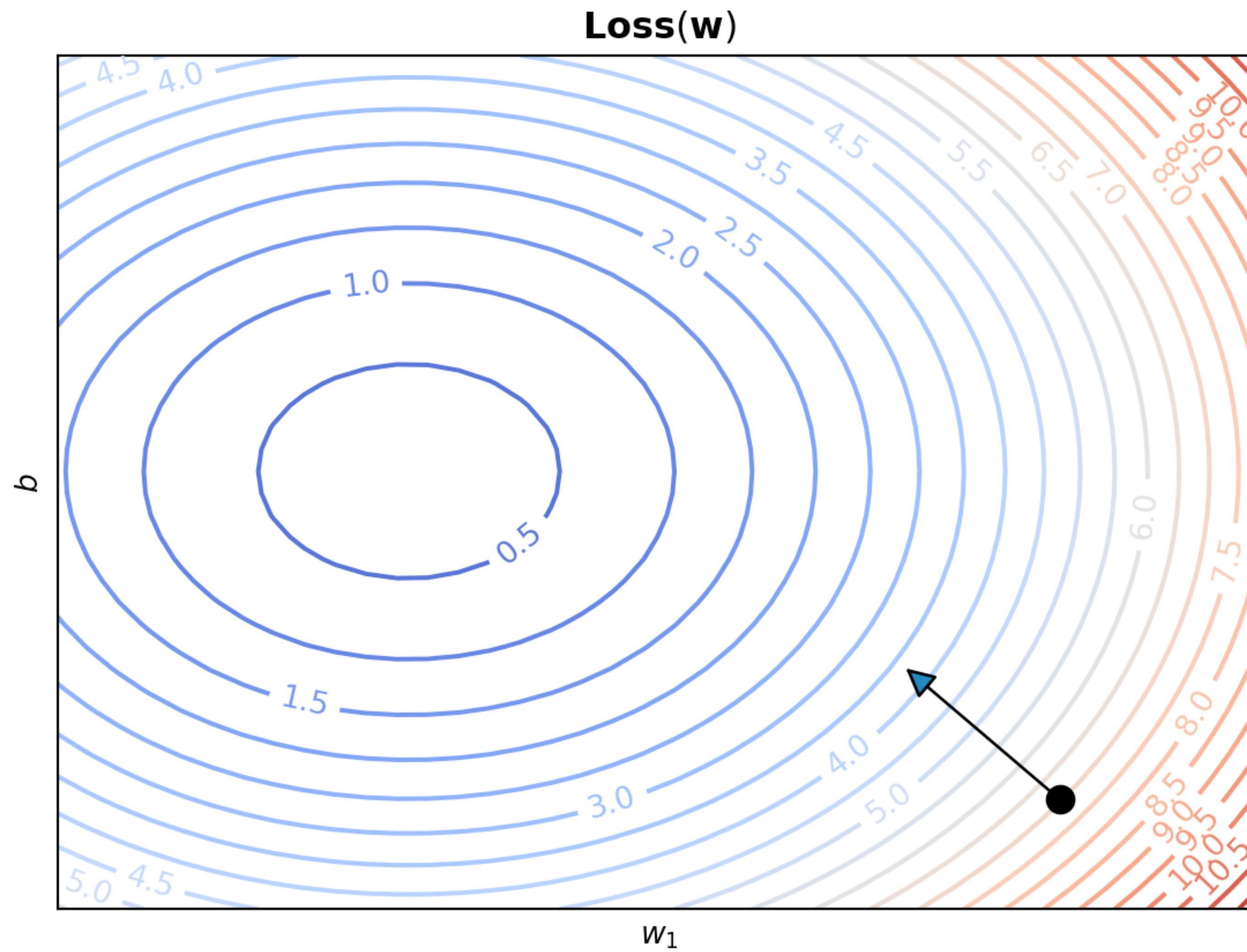
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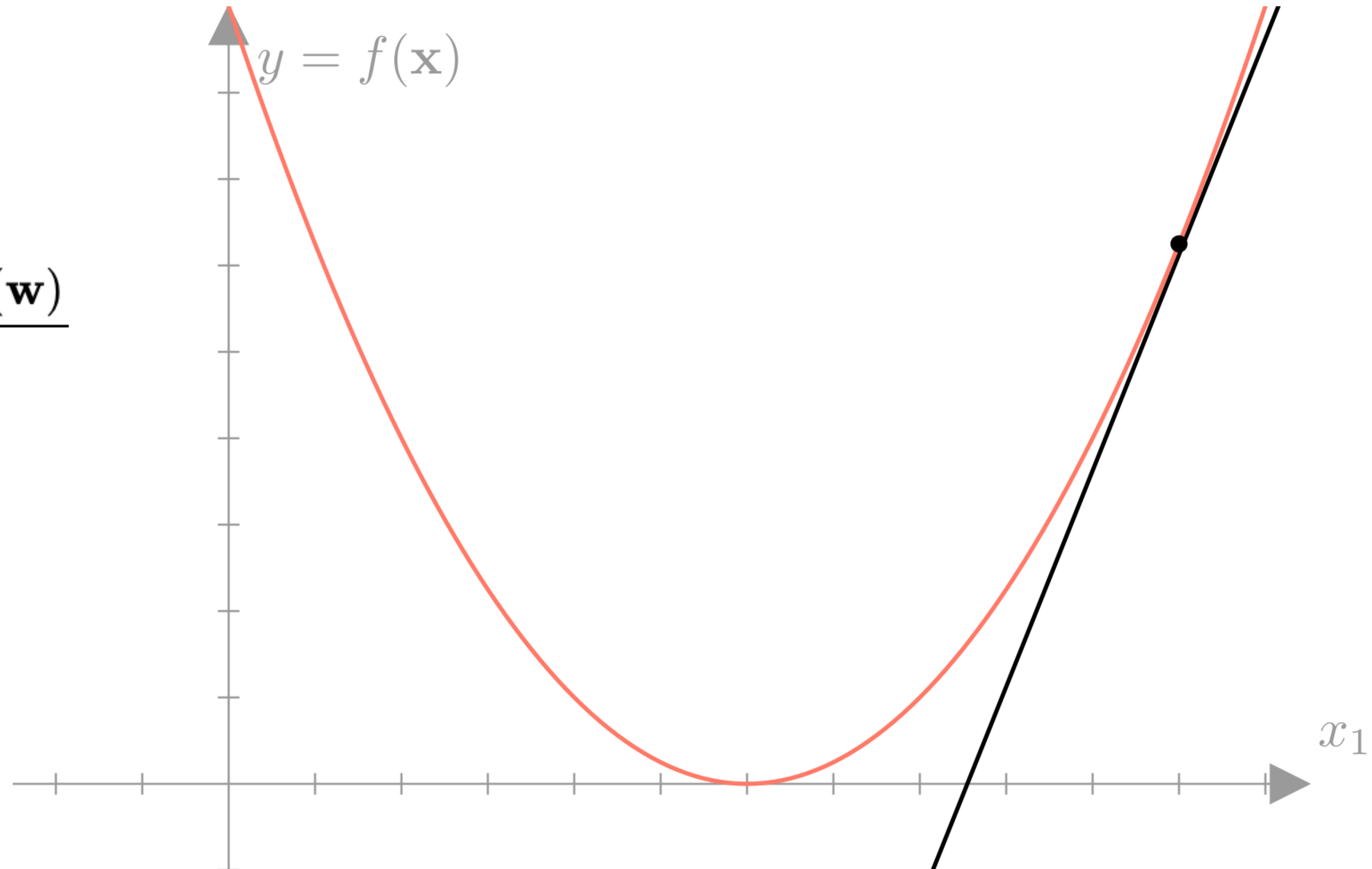


How big a step to take?

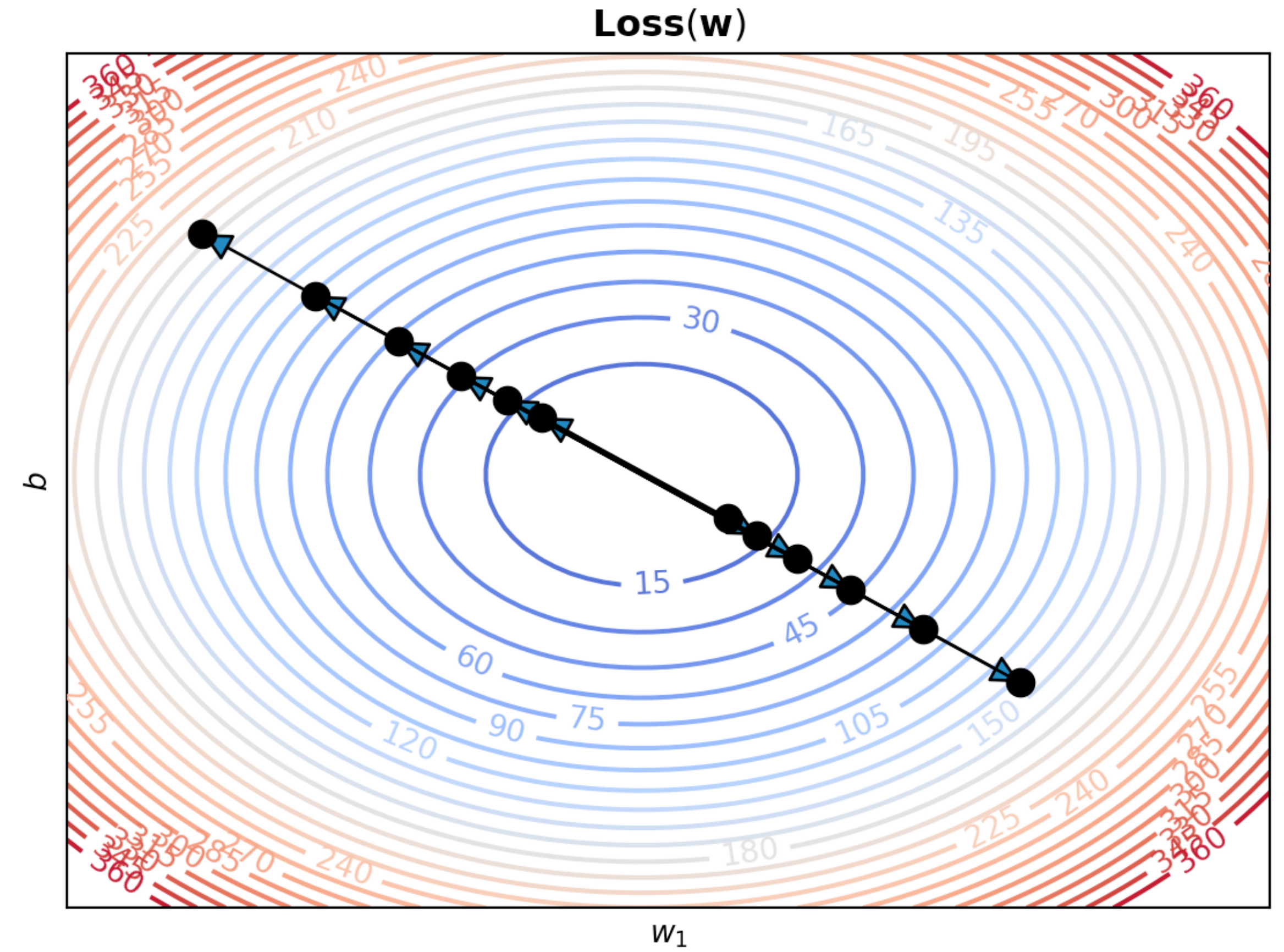
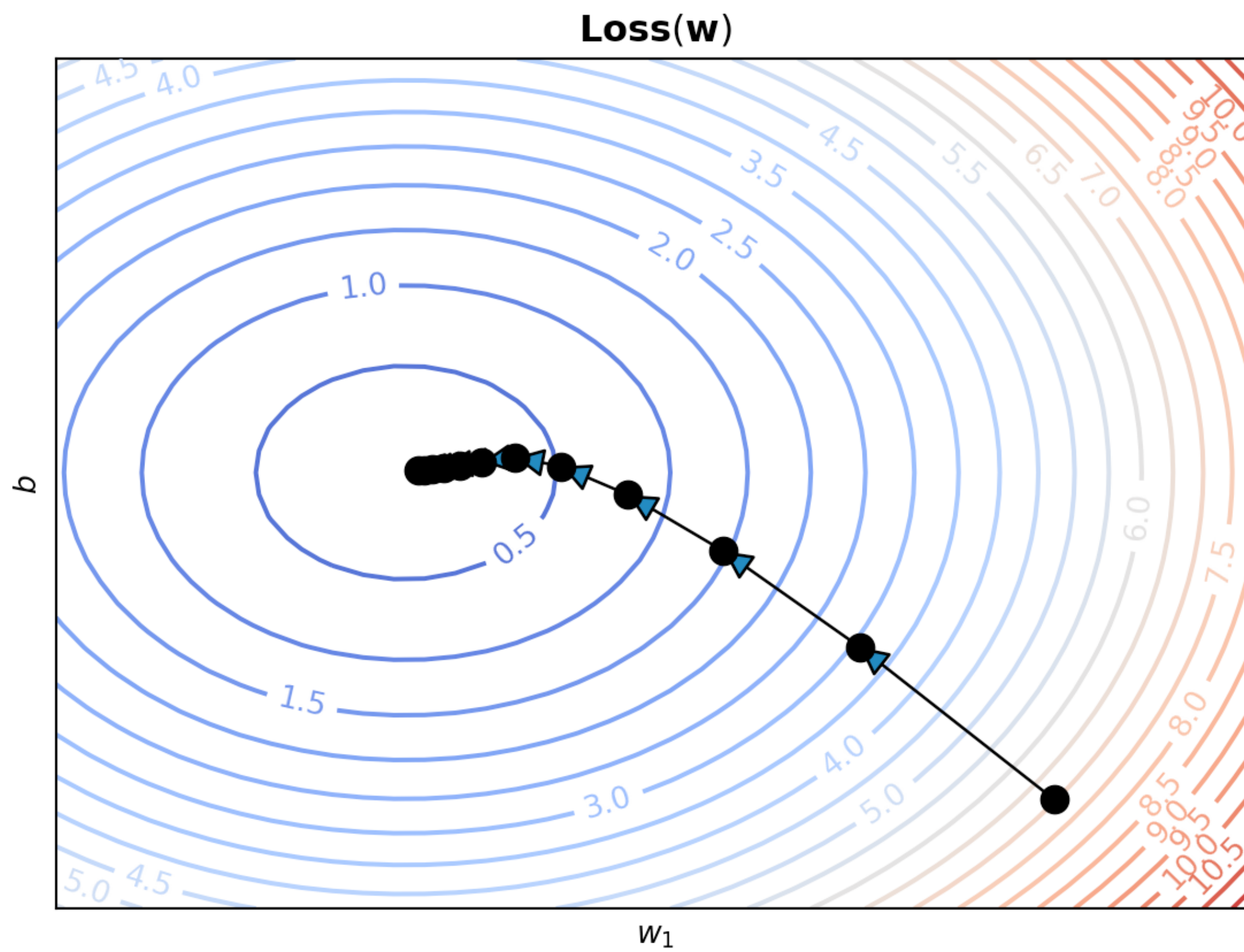


Gradient/derivative gives a *linear approximation* of function

$$\frac{df}{d\mathbf{w}} = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow 0} \max_{\|\epsilon\|_2 < \gamma} \frac{f(\mathbf{w} + \epsilon) - f(\mathbf{w})}{\|\epsilon\|_2}$$

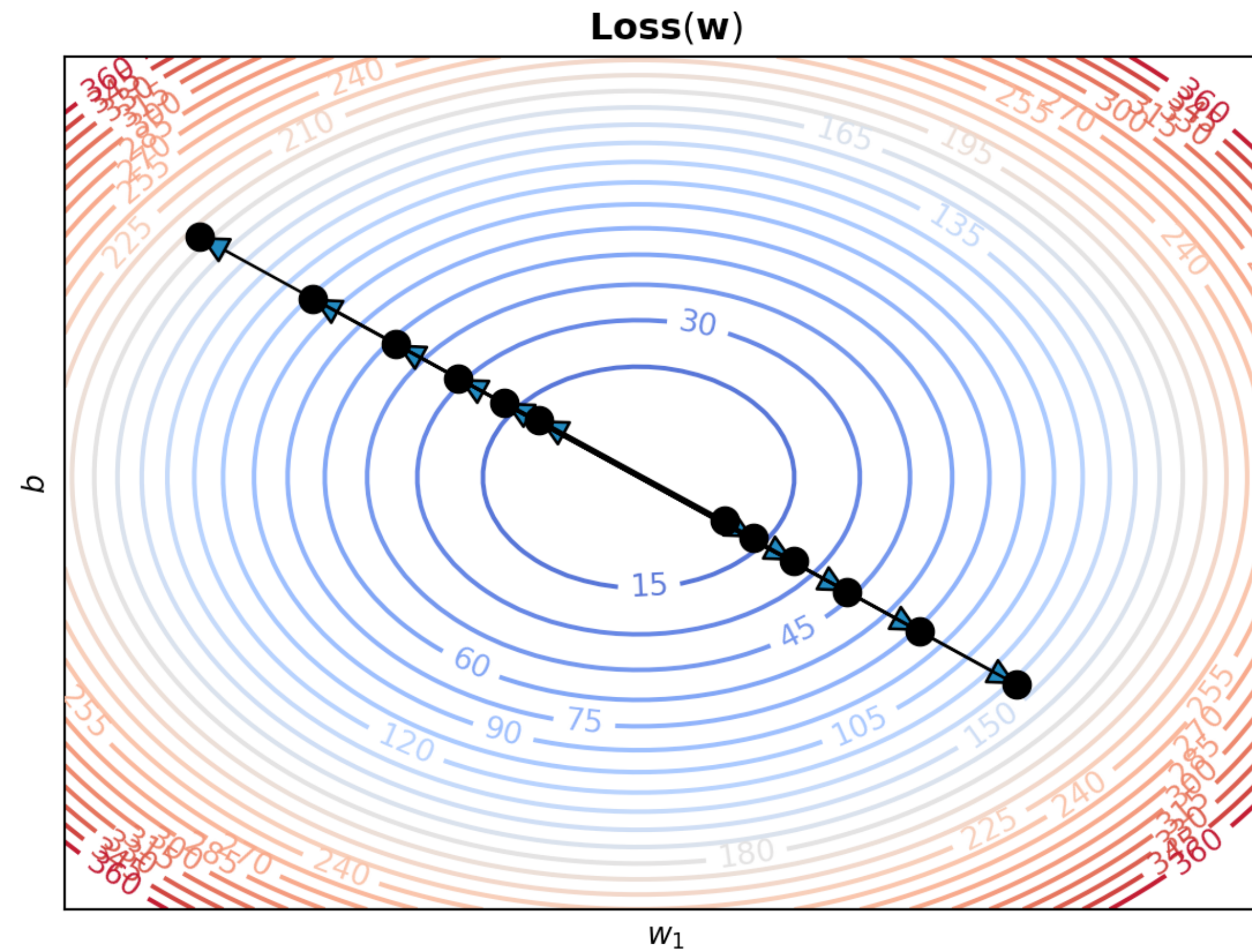
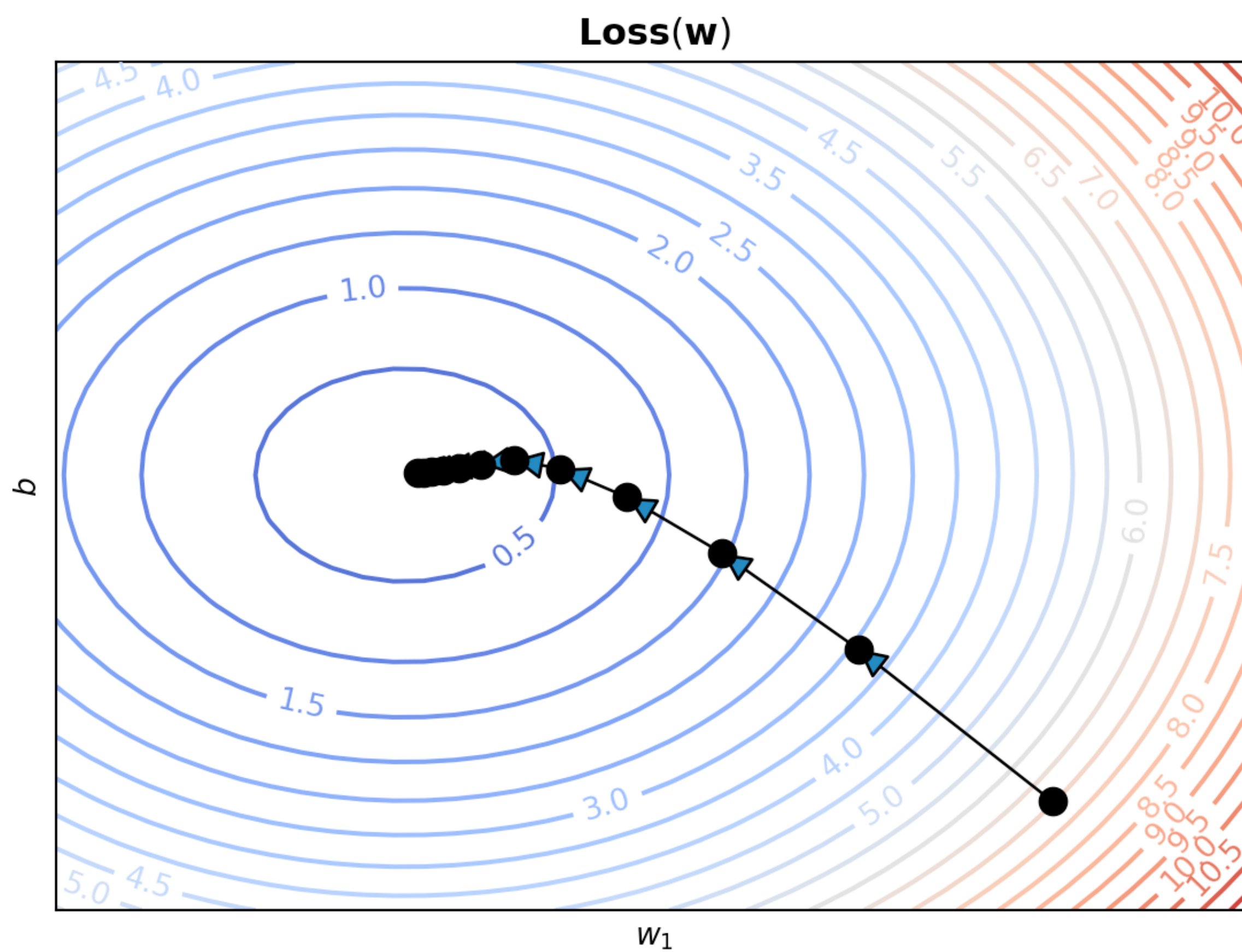


Gradients too big/too small



Step size!

$$\mathbf{w}^{(i+1)} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \alpha \nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(i)})$$



Back to MSE

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{MSE}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}) &= \frac{d}{d\mathbf{w}} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i) \mathbf{x}_i\end{aligned}$$

With this gradient our gradient descent update becomes:

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Caveat

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} \mathbf{MSE}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}) &= \frac{d}{d\mathbf{w}} \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i) \mathbf{x}_i\end{aligned}$$

We know that at the minimum, the gradient must be $\mathbf{0}$, so the following condition must hold:

$$\mathbf{0} = \left(\frac{2}{N} \right) \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w} - y_i) \mathbf{x}_i$$

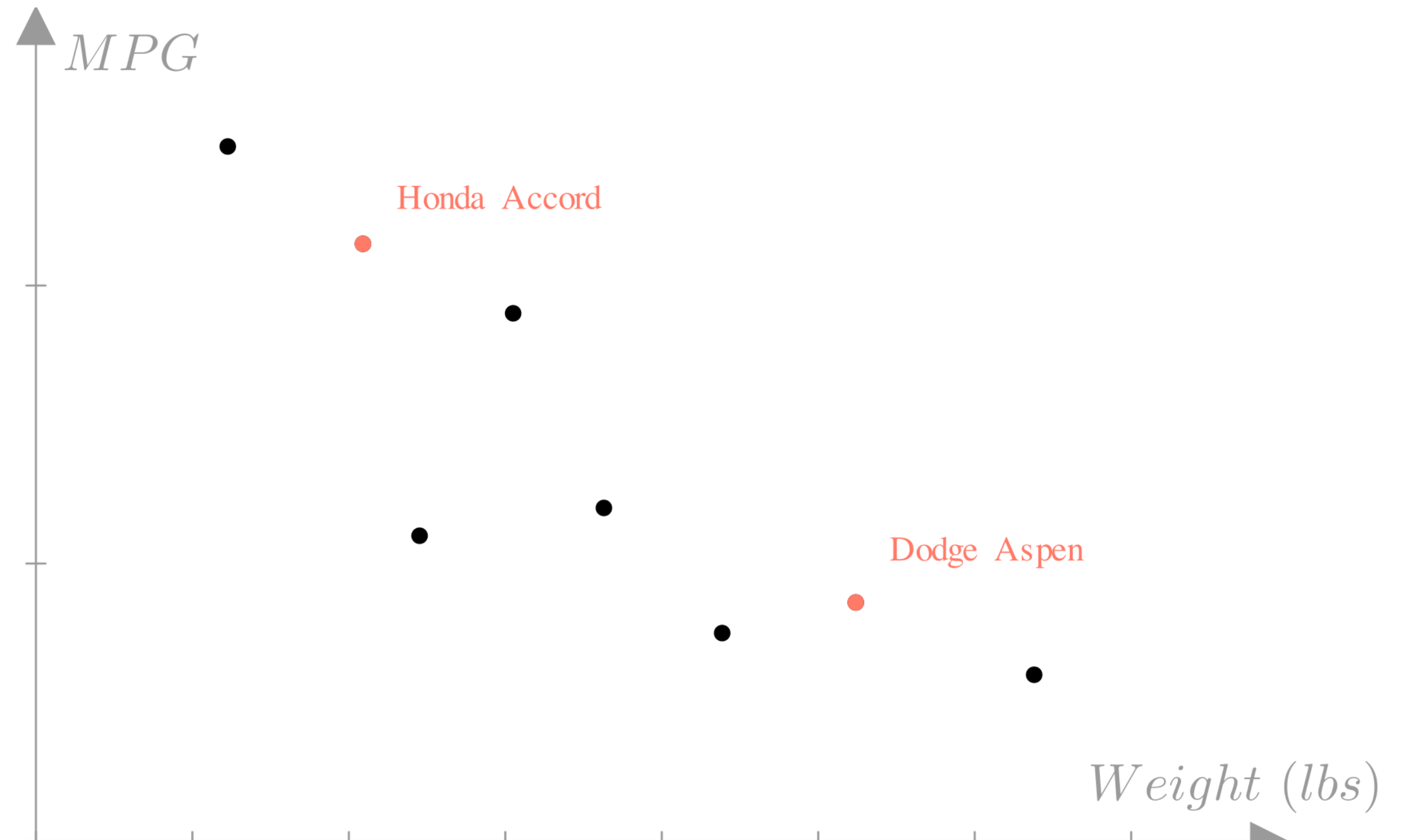
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Predictions are inexact

$$\text{Input: } \mathbf{x}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Weight} \\ \text{Horsepower} \\ \text{Displacement} \\ \text{0-60mph} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{Output: } y_i = \text{MPG}$$

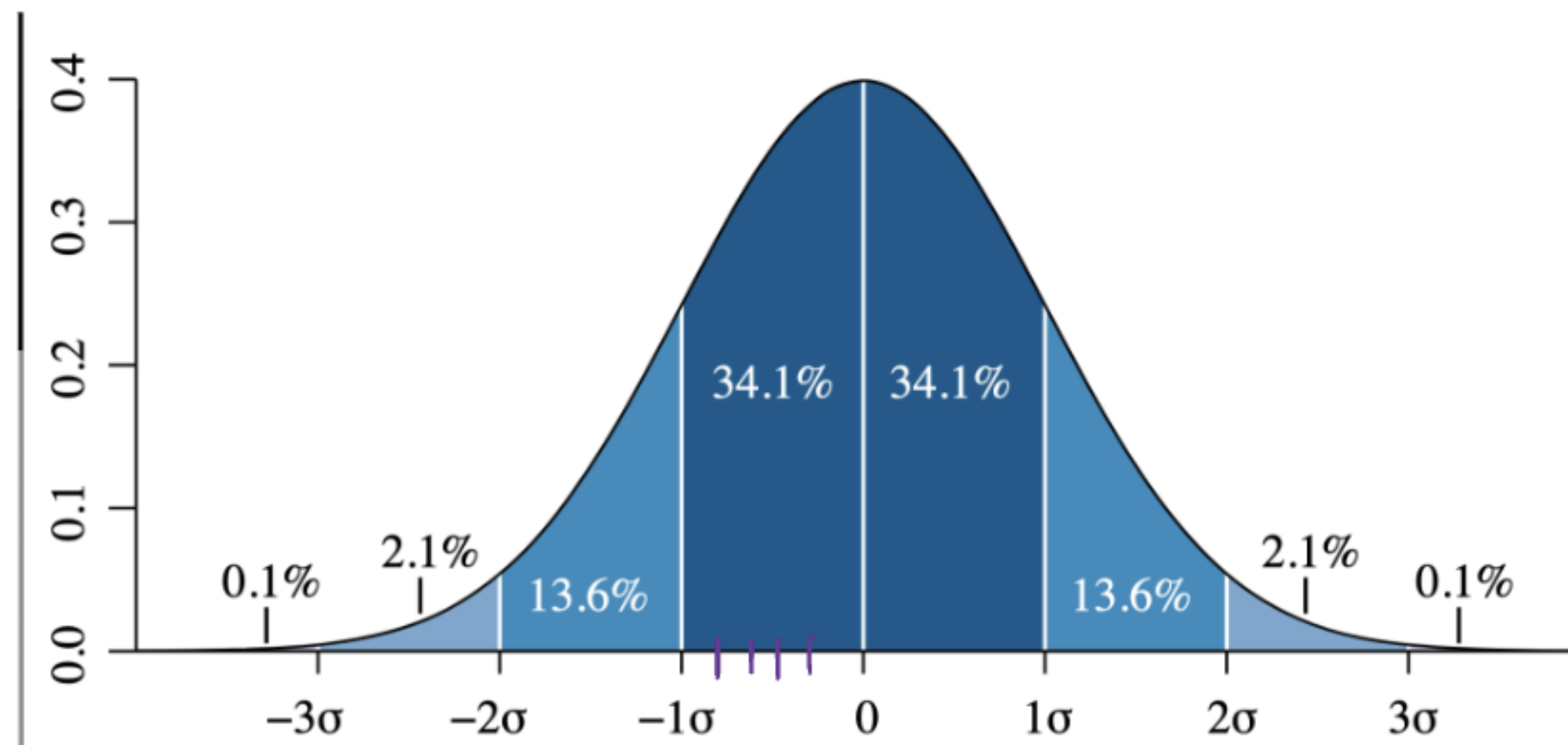
$$\text{Predicted MPG} = f(\mathbf{x}) =$$

$$(\text{weight})w_1 + (\text{horsepower})w_2 + (\text{displacement})w_3 + (\text{0-60mph})w_4$$



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Normal distribution

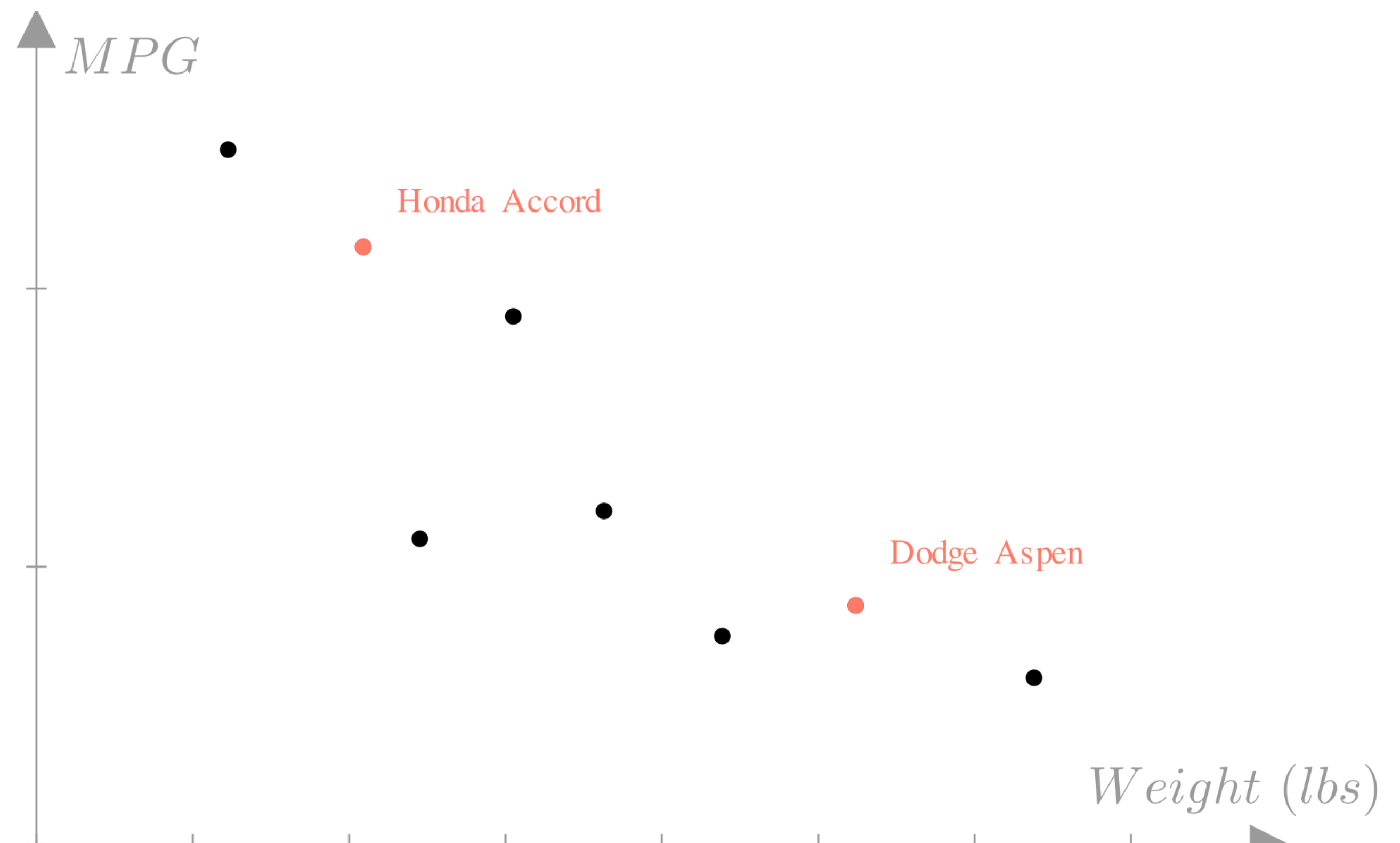


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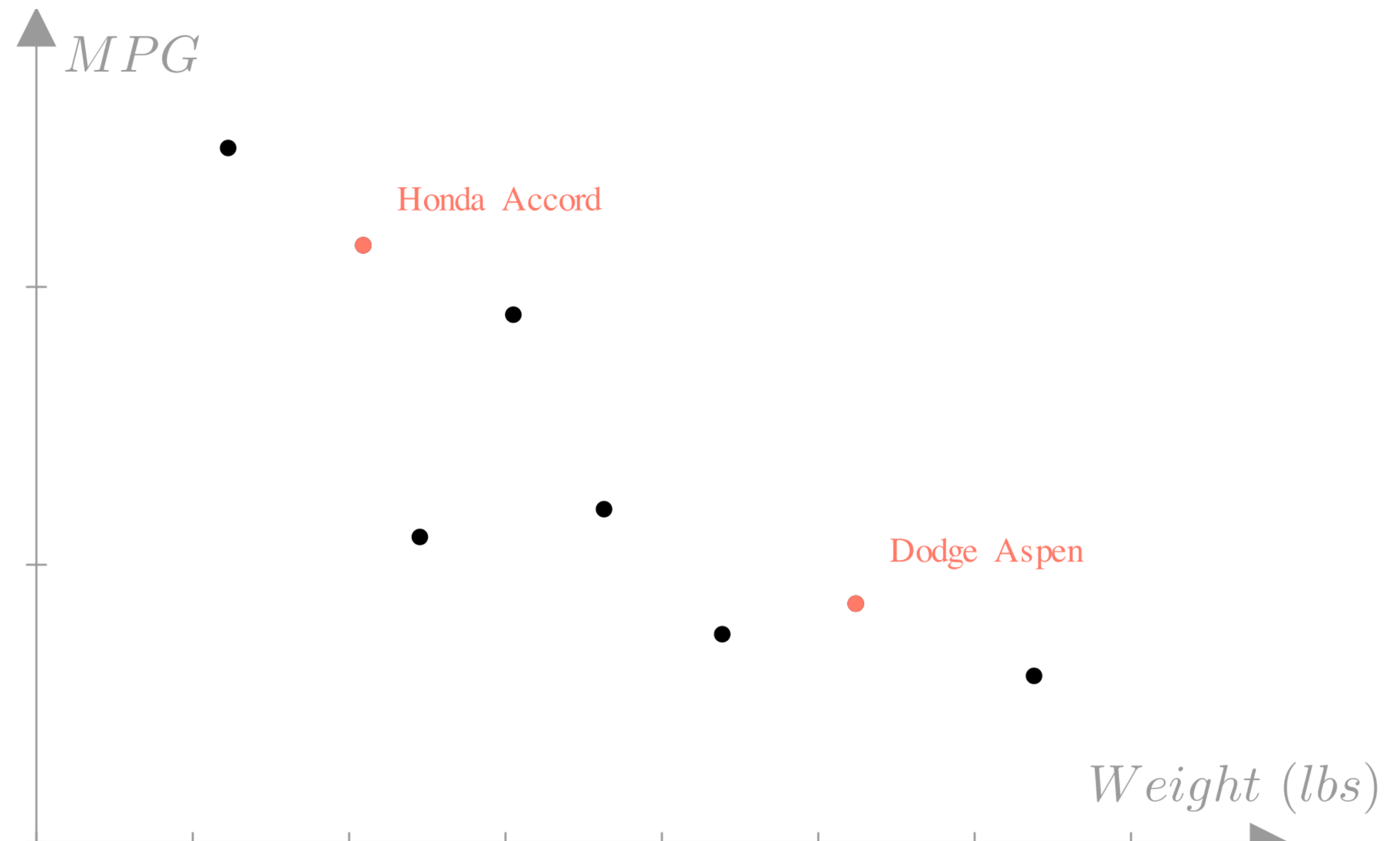
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Model labels

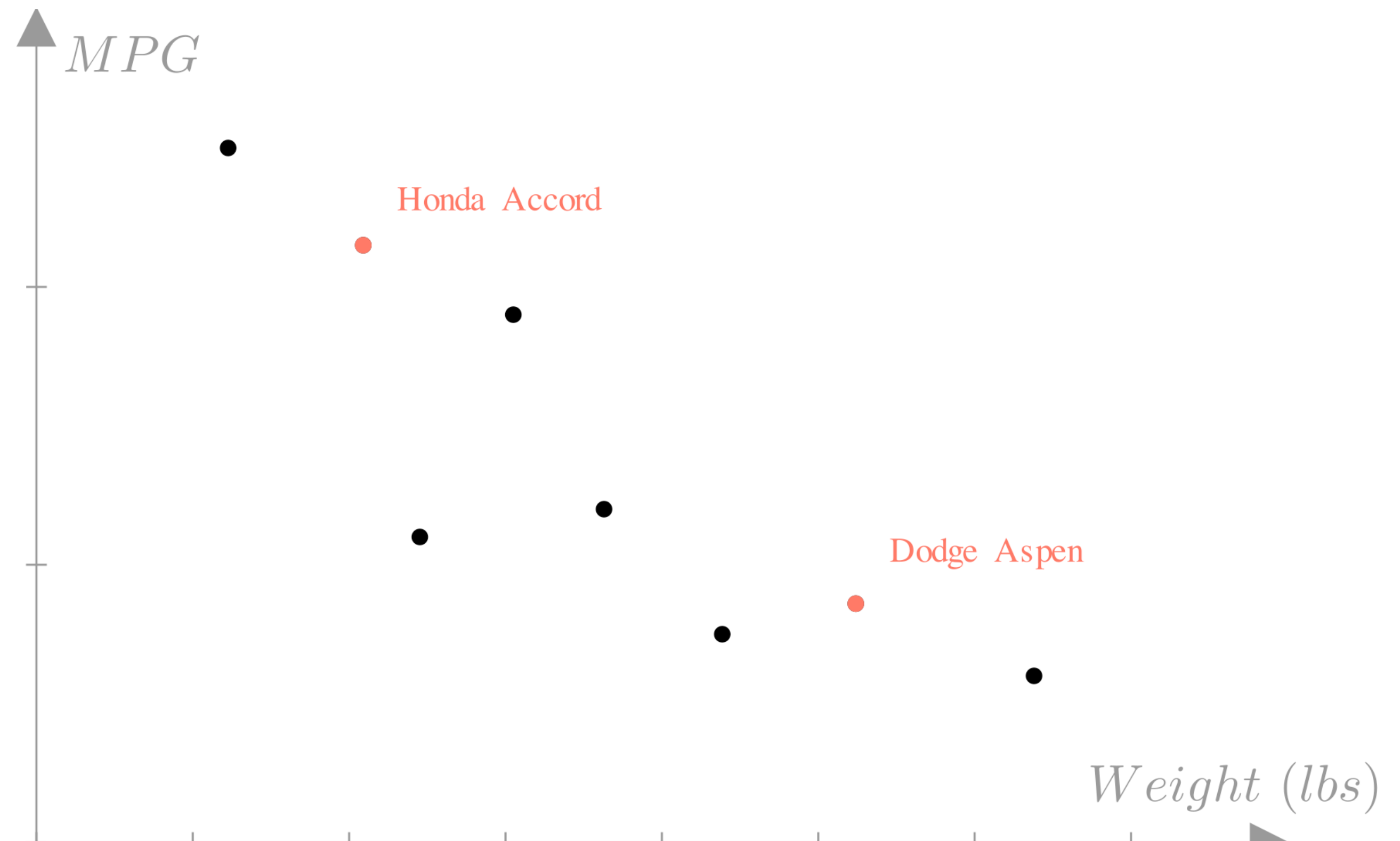
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Model residuals

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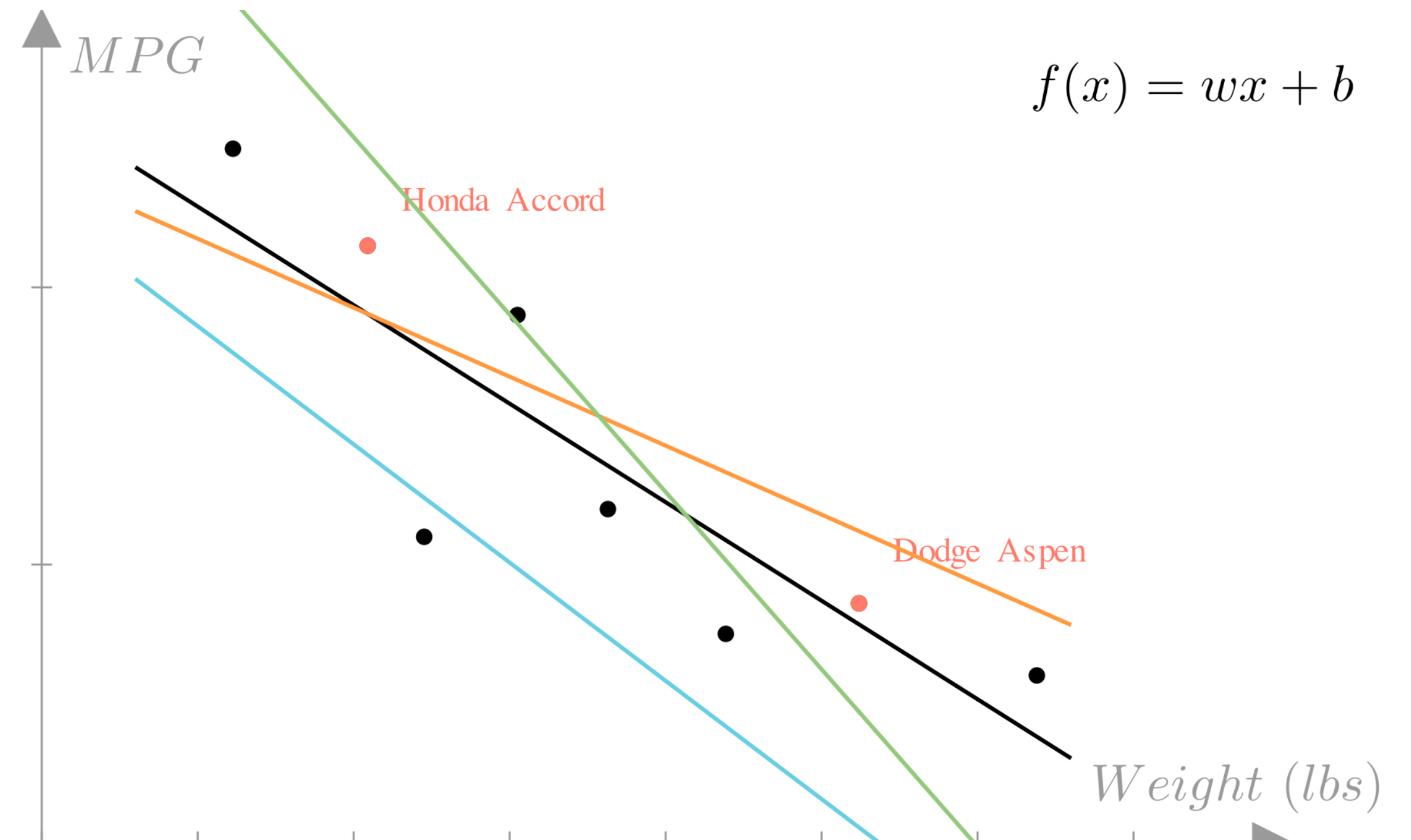


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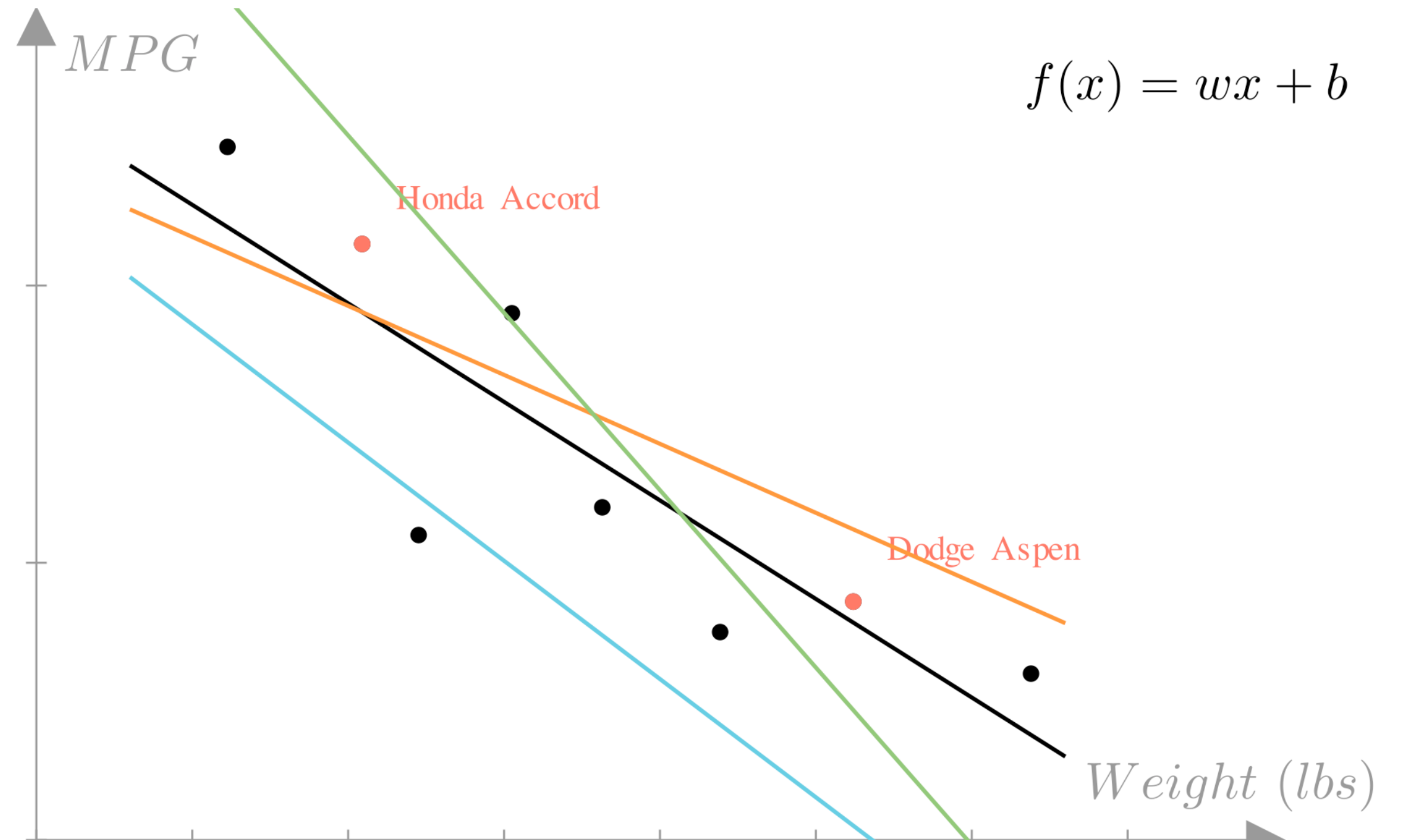
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Goal: Maximize probability

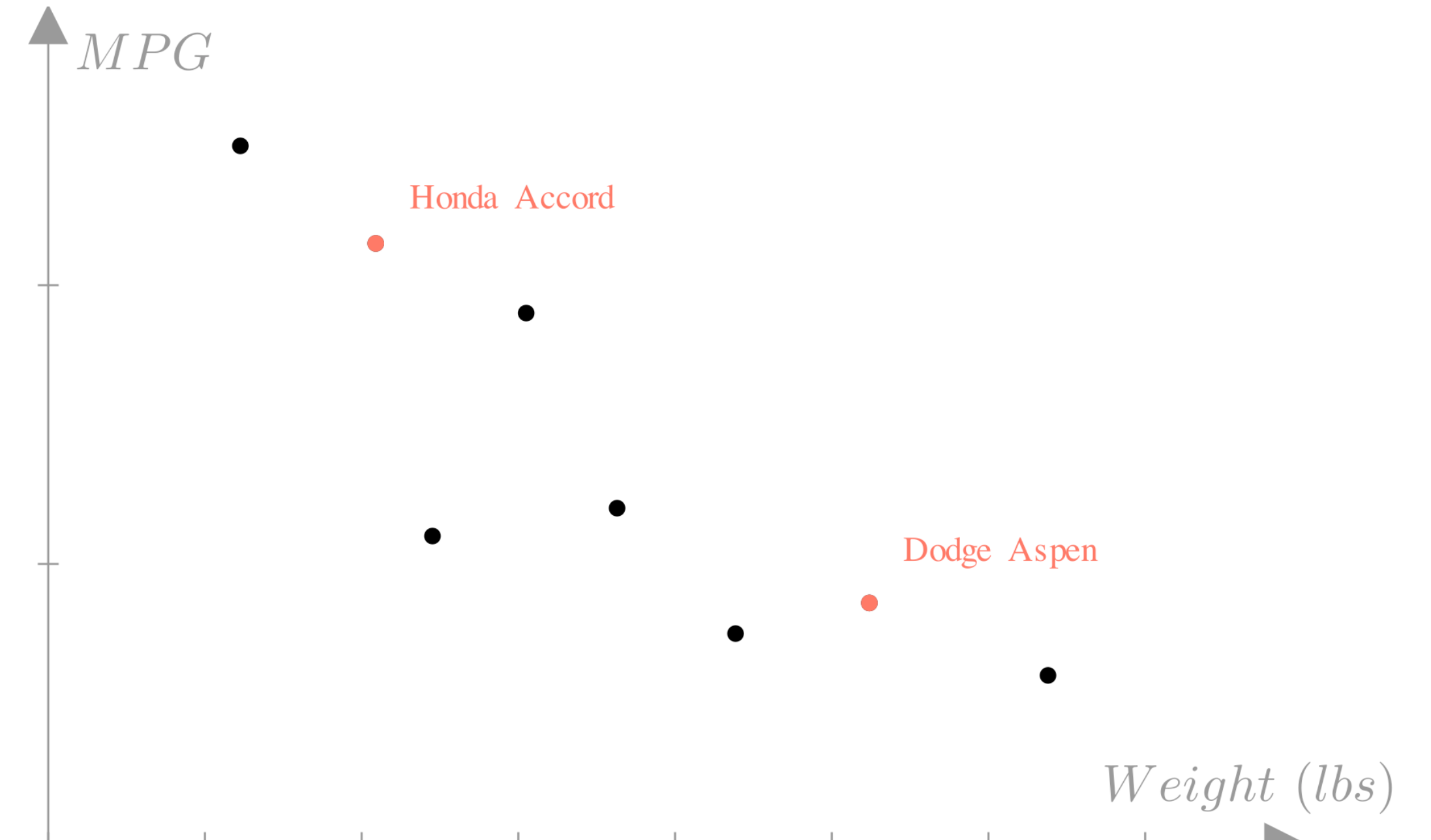
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$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w}} \prod_{i=1}^N p(y_i \mid \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{w}} - \sum_{i=1}^N \log p(y_i \mid \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{NLL}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\mathbf{NLL}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}) = - \sum_{i=1}^N \log \left[\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left(- \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_i - \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{w})^2 \right) \right]$$

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