

CS-C3240 - Machine Learning

Model Regularization

Data Augmentation. Soft Model-Selection.
Transfer Learning. Multi-Task Learning.
Semi-Supervised Learning.

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What I want to teach you today:

- basic idea of regularization
- regularization as soft model selection
- basic idea of data augmentation
- equivalence between regularization and data aug.

What is ML ?

informal: learn **hypothesis** out of a hypothesis space or “model” that incurs minimum **loss** when predicting **labels** of datapoints based on their **features**

$$\hat{h} = \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \mathcal{E}(h | \mathcal{D})$$

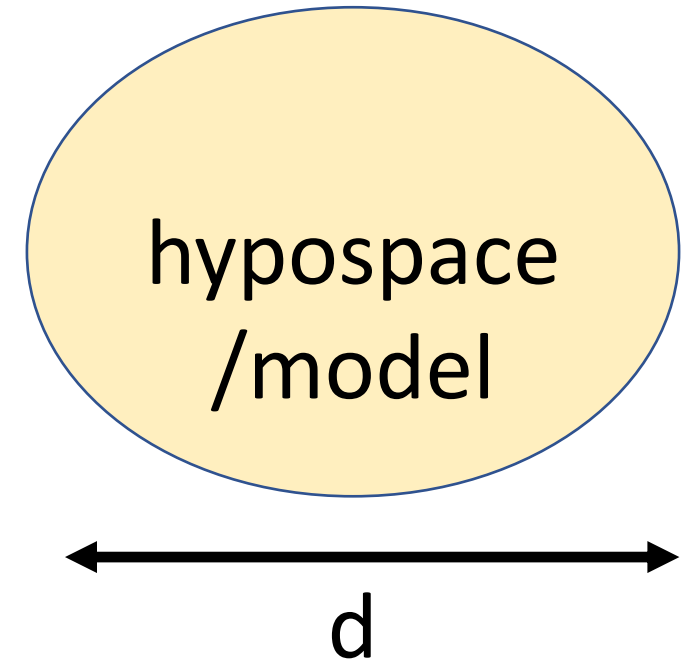
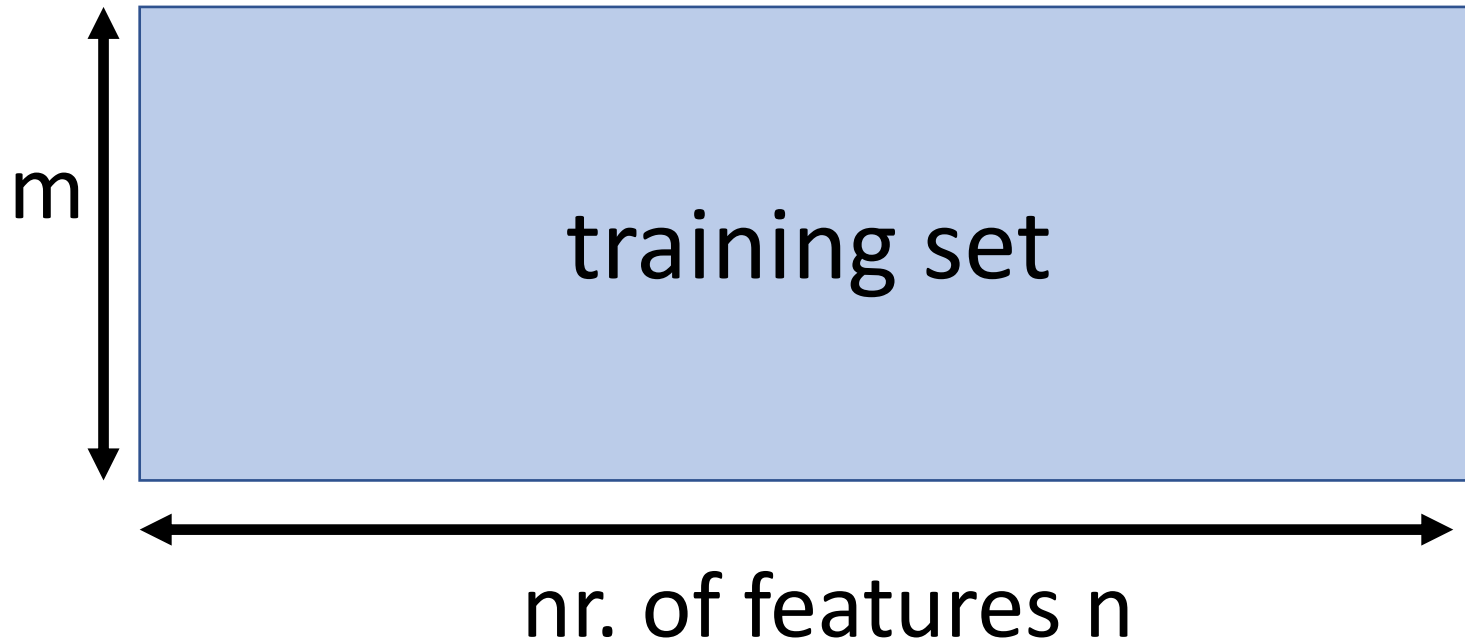
$$\stackrel{\boxed{2.12}}{=} \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in \mathcal{H}} (1/m) \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h).$$

“training error”



see Ch. 4.1 of mlbook.cs.aalto.fi

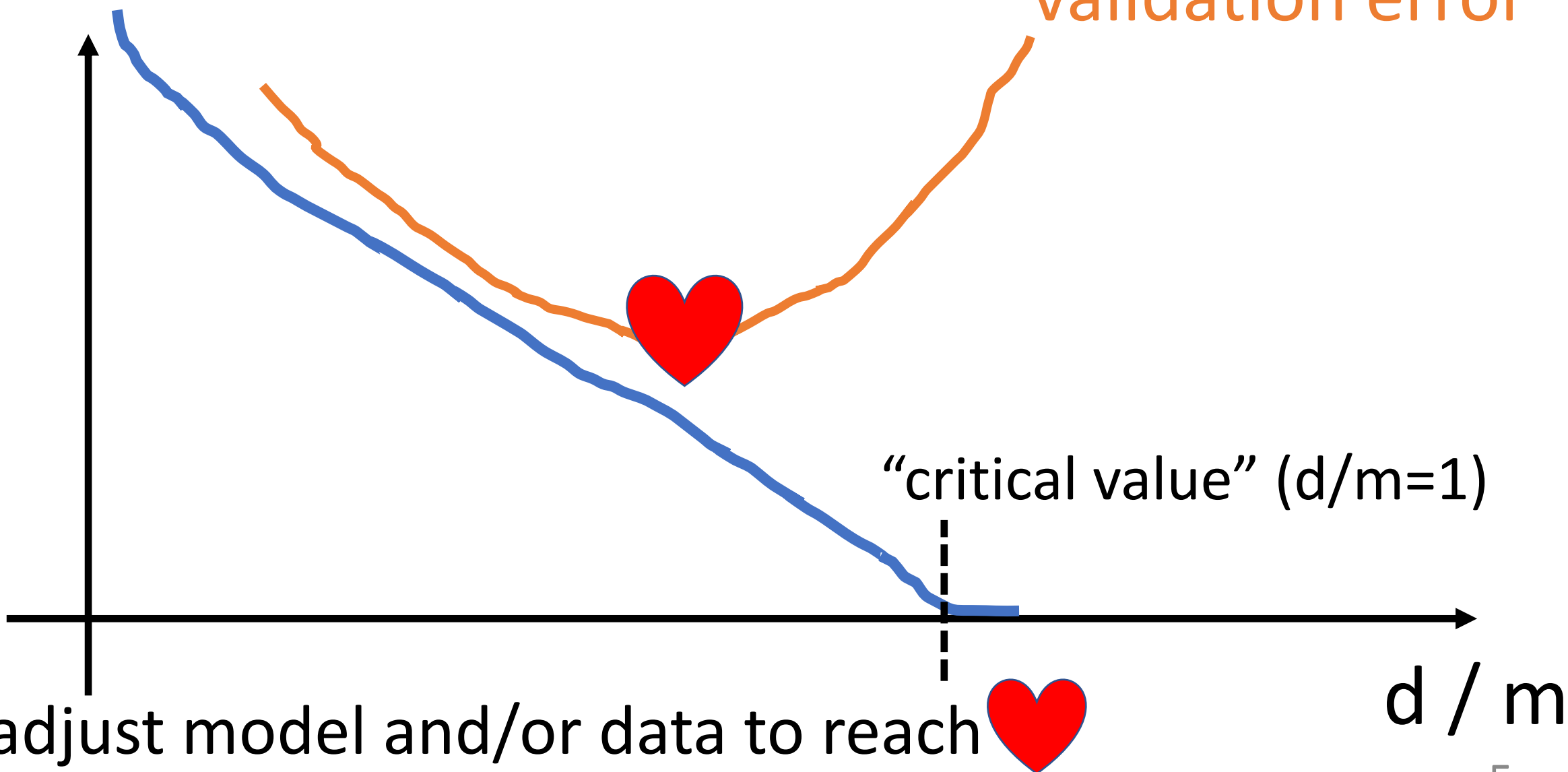
Data and Model Size



crucial parameter is the
ratio d/m

training error

validation error



bring d/m below critical value 1:

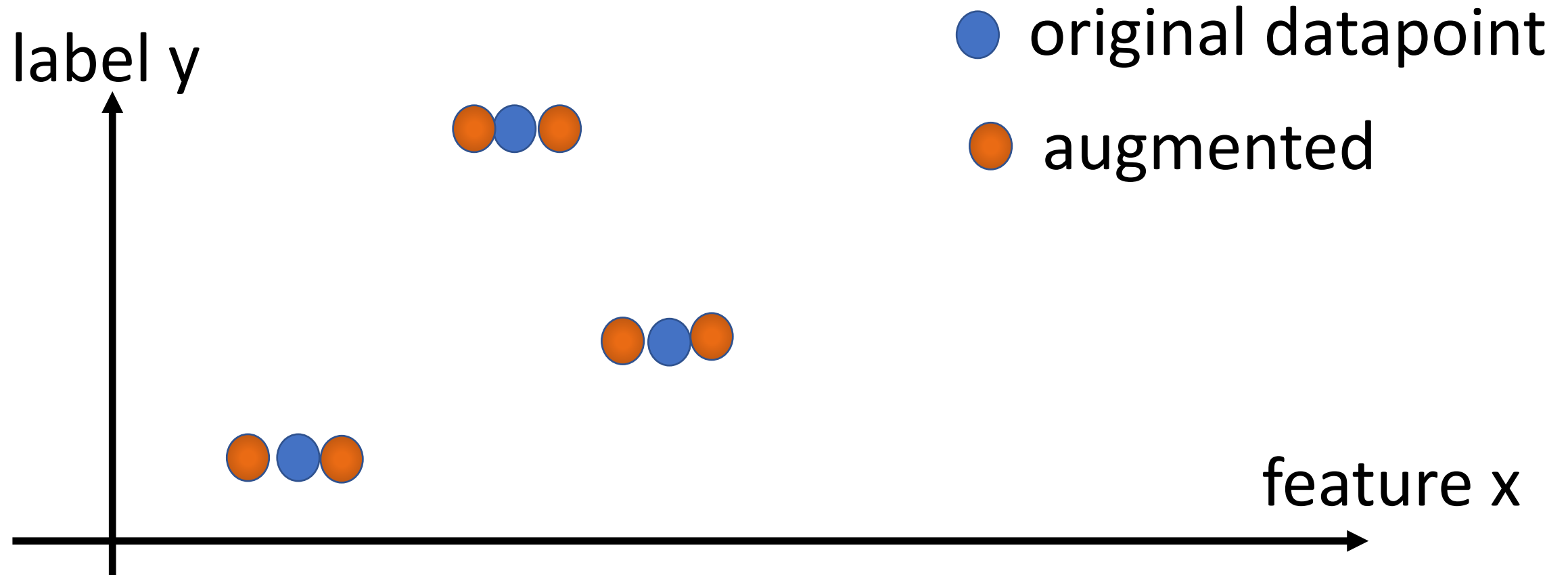
- increase m by using more training data
- decrease d by using smaller hypothesis space

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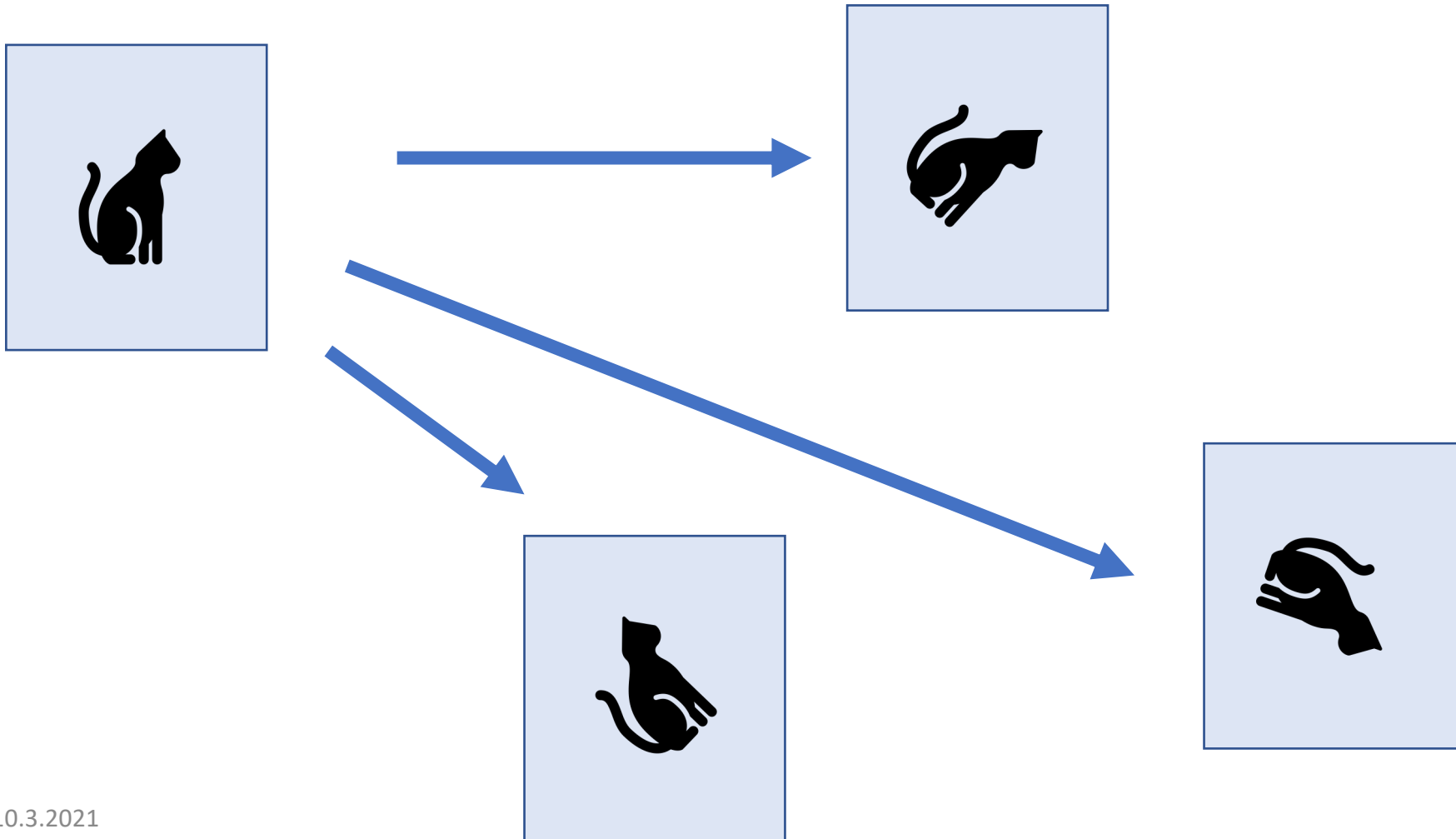
Data Augmentation

add a bit of noise to features

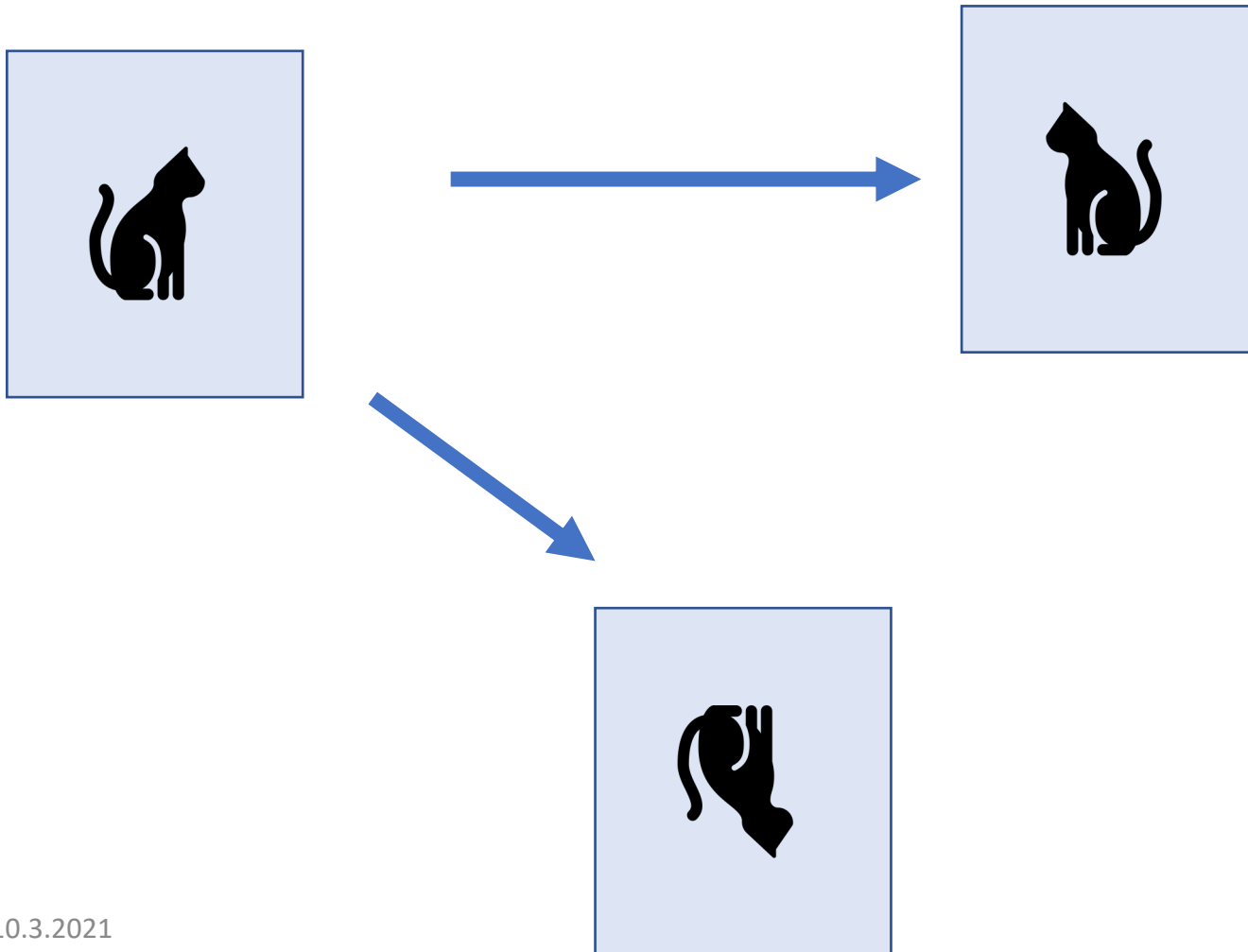


we have increased the dataset by factor 3 !

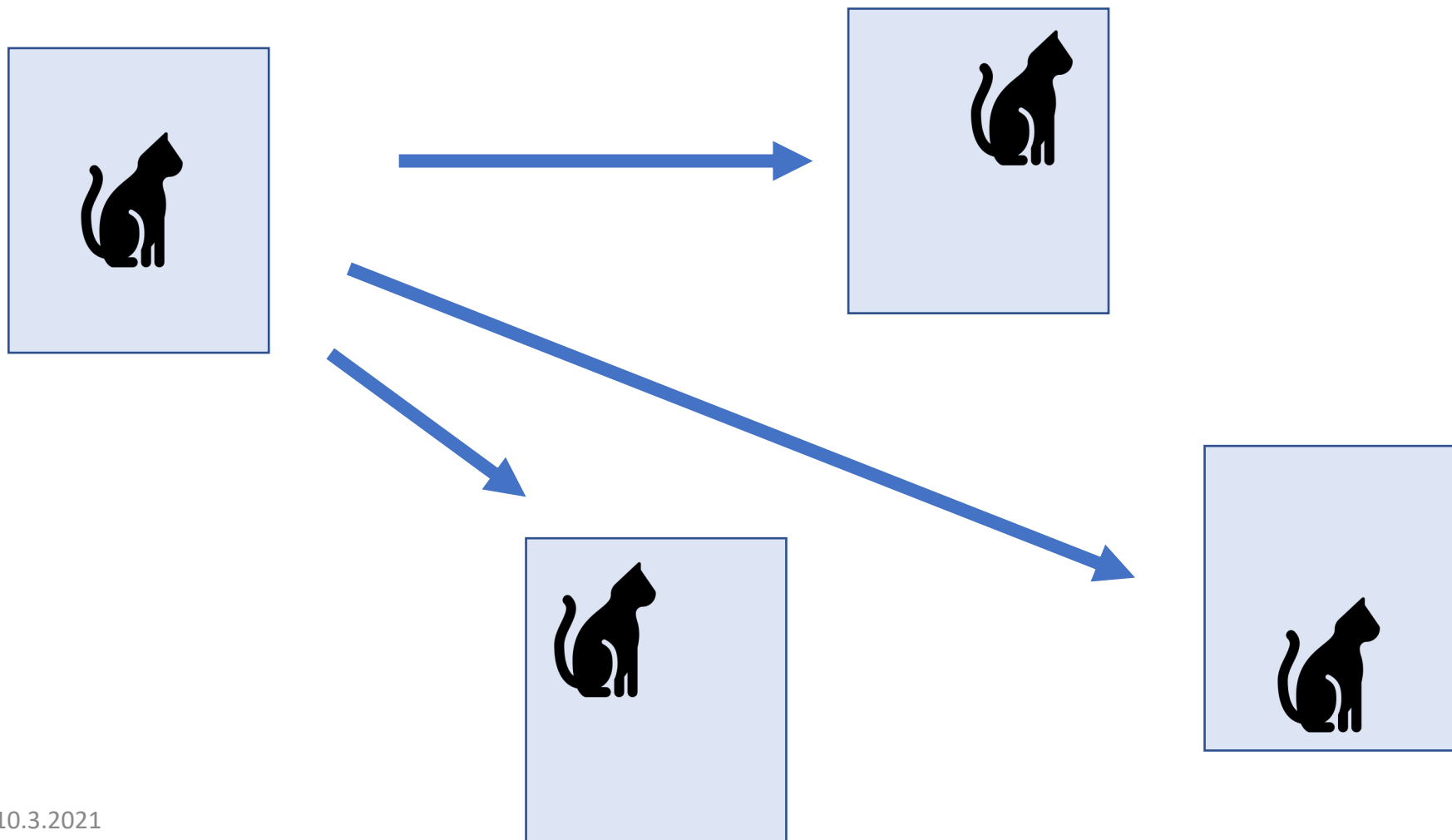
rotated cat image is still cat image



flipped cat image is still cat image



shifted cat image is still cat image



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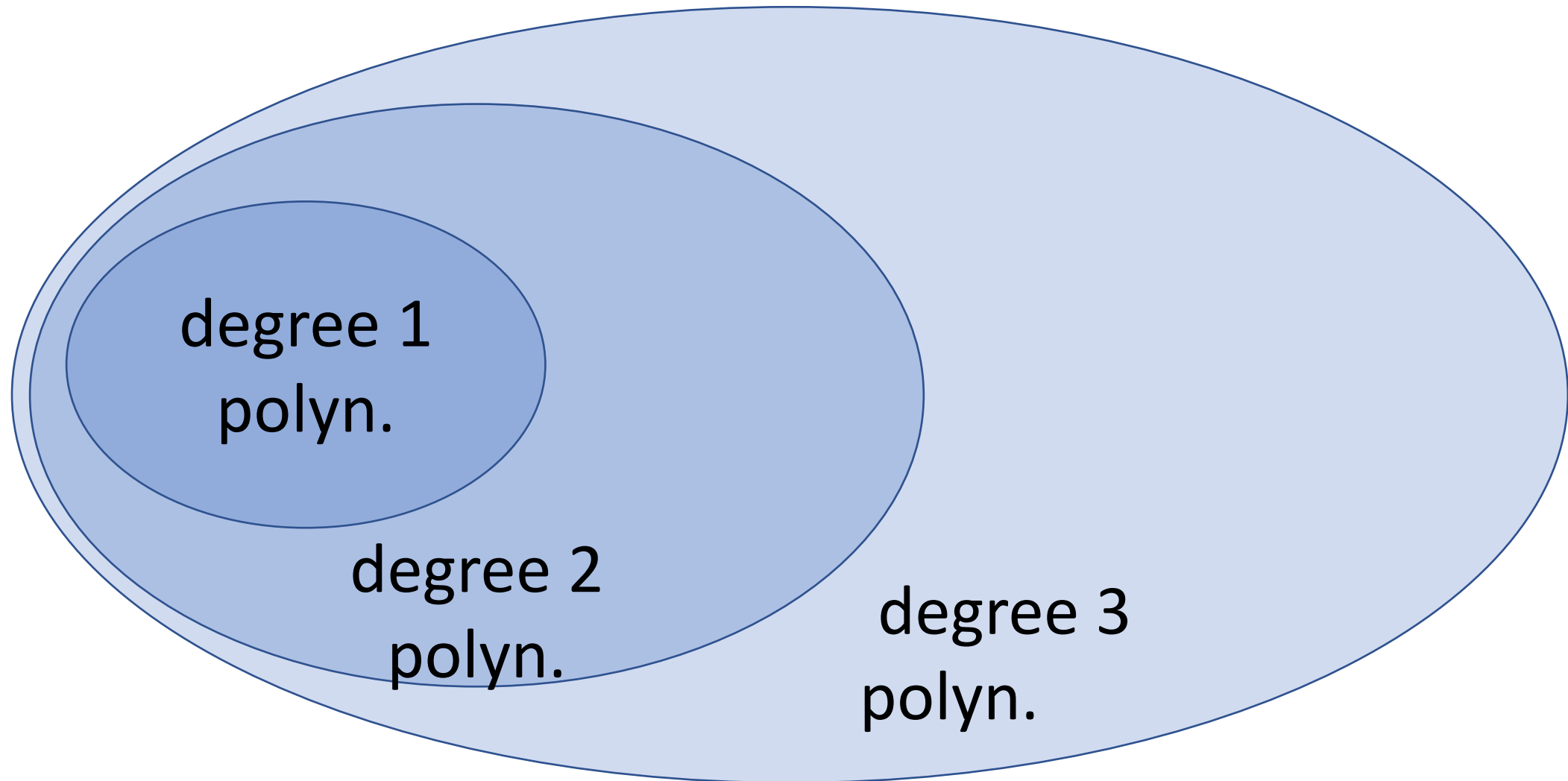
replace original ERM

$$\min_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h)$$

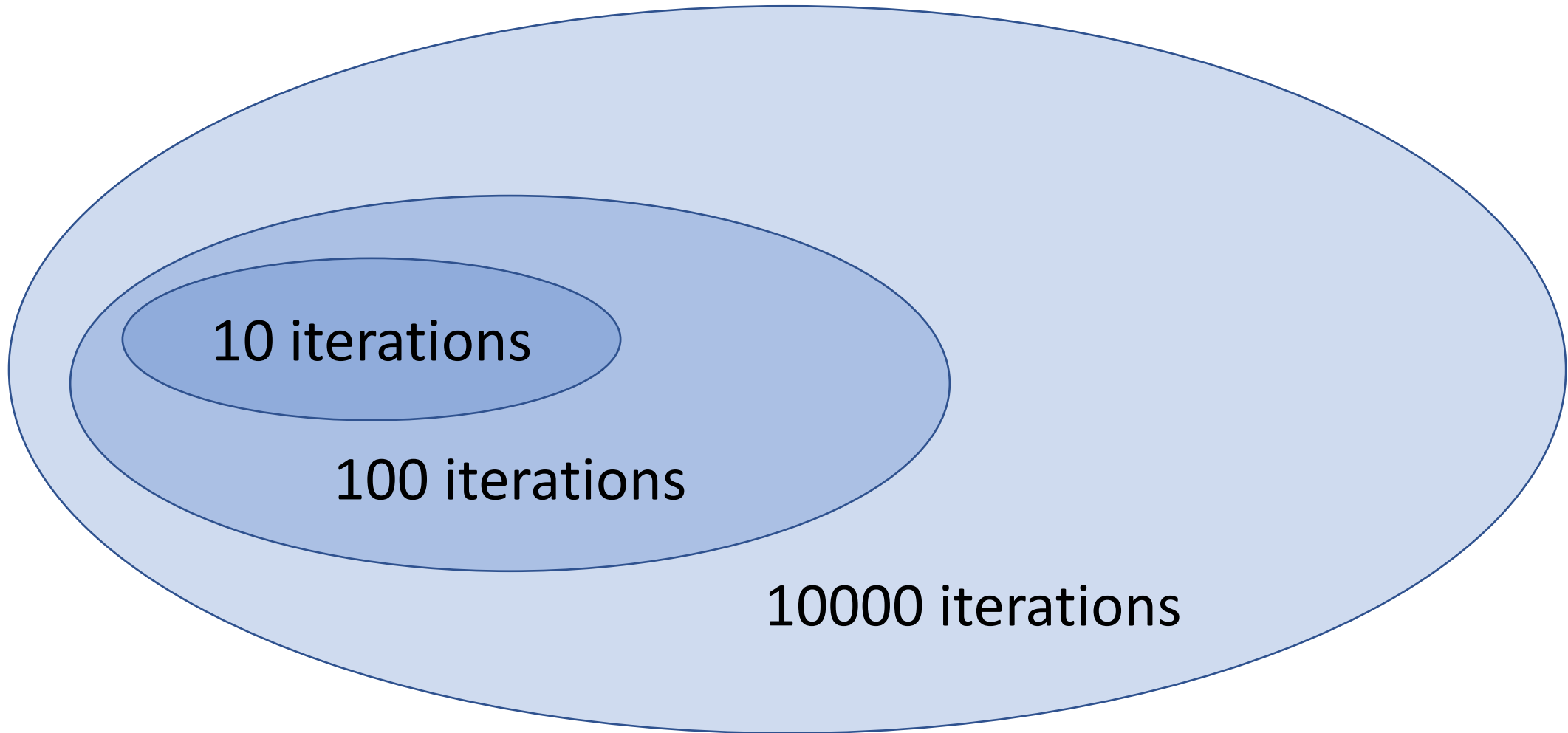
with ERM on **smaller** $\hat{\mathcal{H}} \subset \mathcal{H}$

$$\min_{h \in \hat{\mathcal{H}}} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h)$$

Nested Models



Prune Hypospace by Early Stopping



Soft Model Pruning via Regularization

Regularized ERM

learn hypothesis h out of
model (hypospace) \mathcal{H} by minimizing

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h)}_{\text{average loss on training set (empirical risk of } h\text{)}} + \underbrace{\lambda \mathcal{R}(h)}_{\text{loss increase for datapoints outside training set}}$$

average loss on training set
(empirical risk of h)

loss increase for datapoints
outside training set

Regularized Linear Regression

- squared error loss
- linear hypothesis map $h(x) = w^T x = w_1 x_1 + \dots + w_n x_n$

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (y^{(i)} - w^T x^{(i)})^2 + \lambda \mathcal{R}(w)$$

- **ridge regression** uses $\mathcal{R}(w) = \|w\|_2^2 = w_1^2 + \dots + w_n^2$
- **Lasso** uses $\mathcal{R}(w) = \|w\|_1 = |w_1| + \dots + |w_n|$

Regularization = Implicit Pruning!

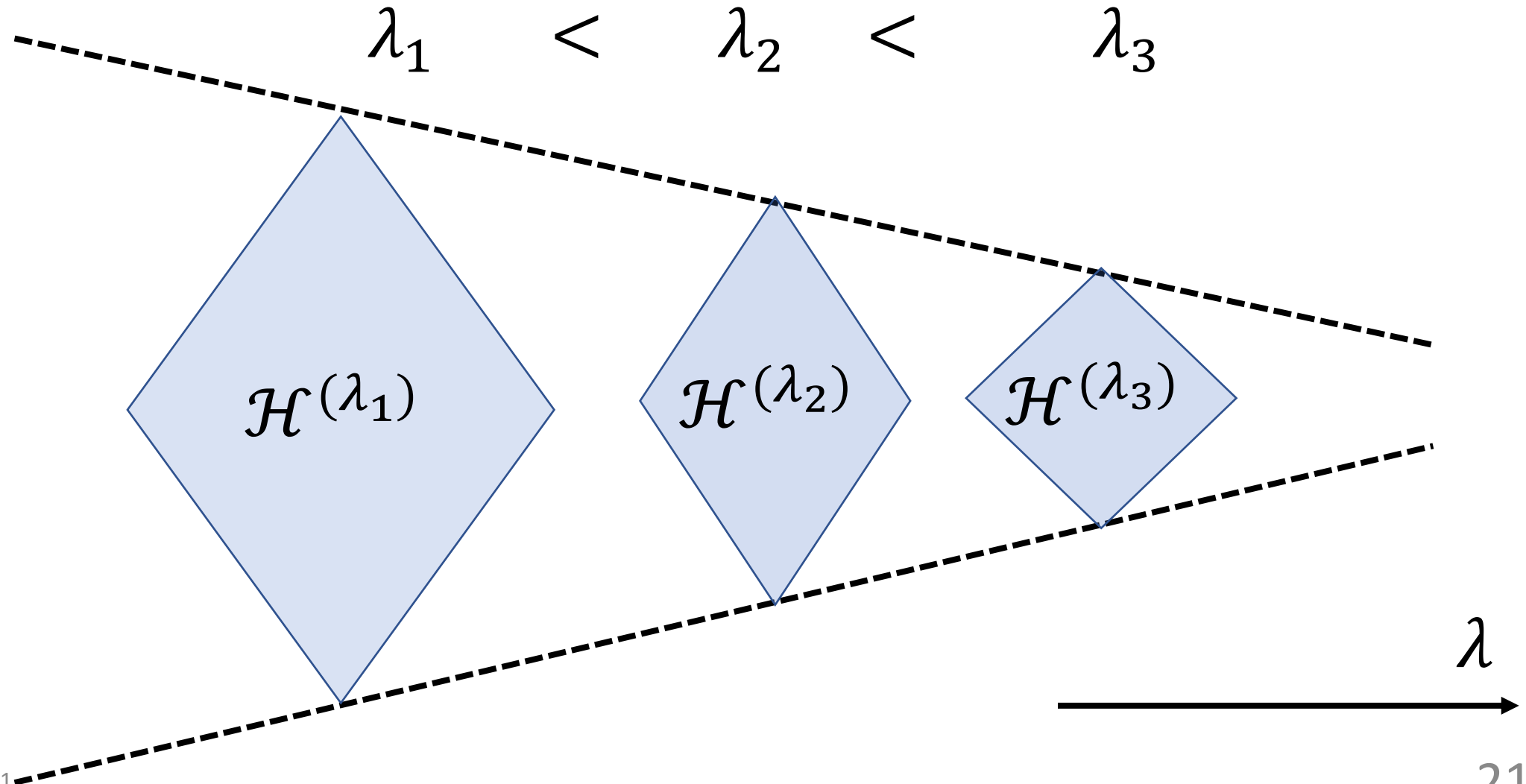
$$\min_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(h)$$

equivalent to

$$\min_{h \in \mathcal{H}^{(\lambda)}} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h)$$

with pruned model $\mathcal{H}^{(\lambda)} \subset \mathcal{H}$

Regularization = “Soft” Model Selection

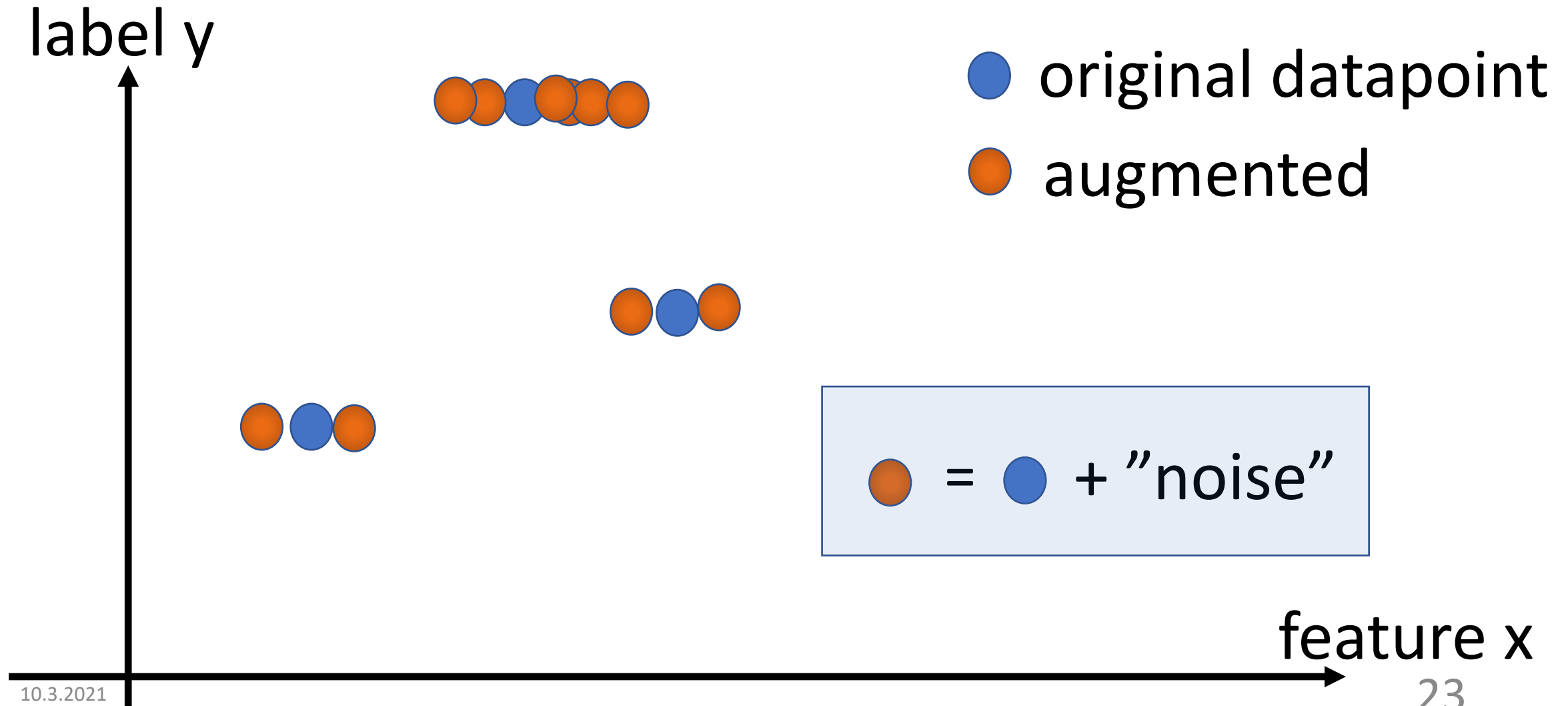


Regularization

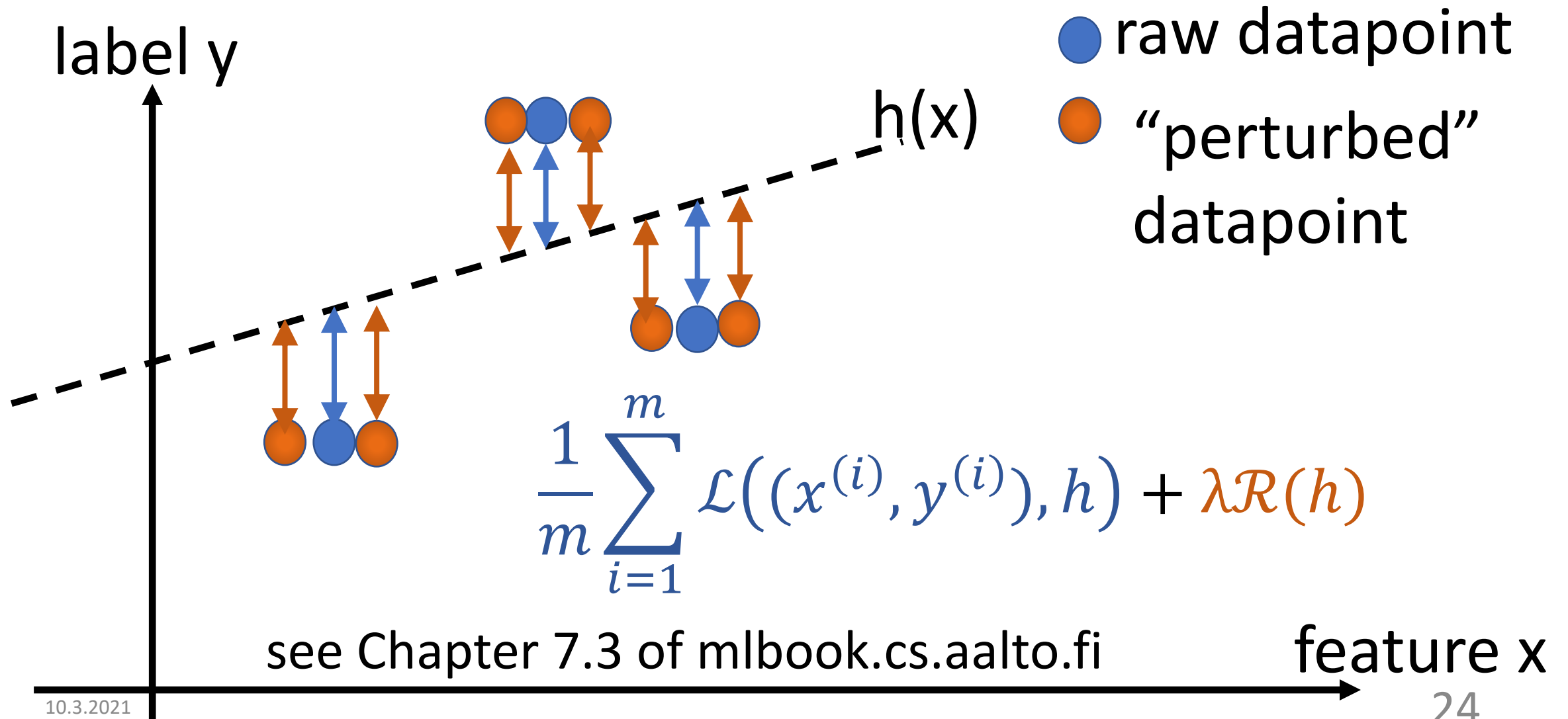
does implicit

Data Augmentation

augment with (infinitely many) realizations of RV!



Regularization = Implicit Data Aug.



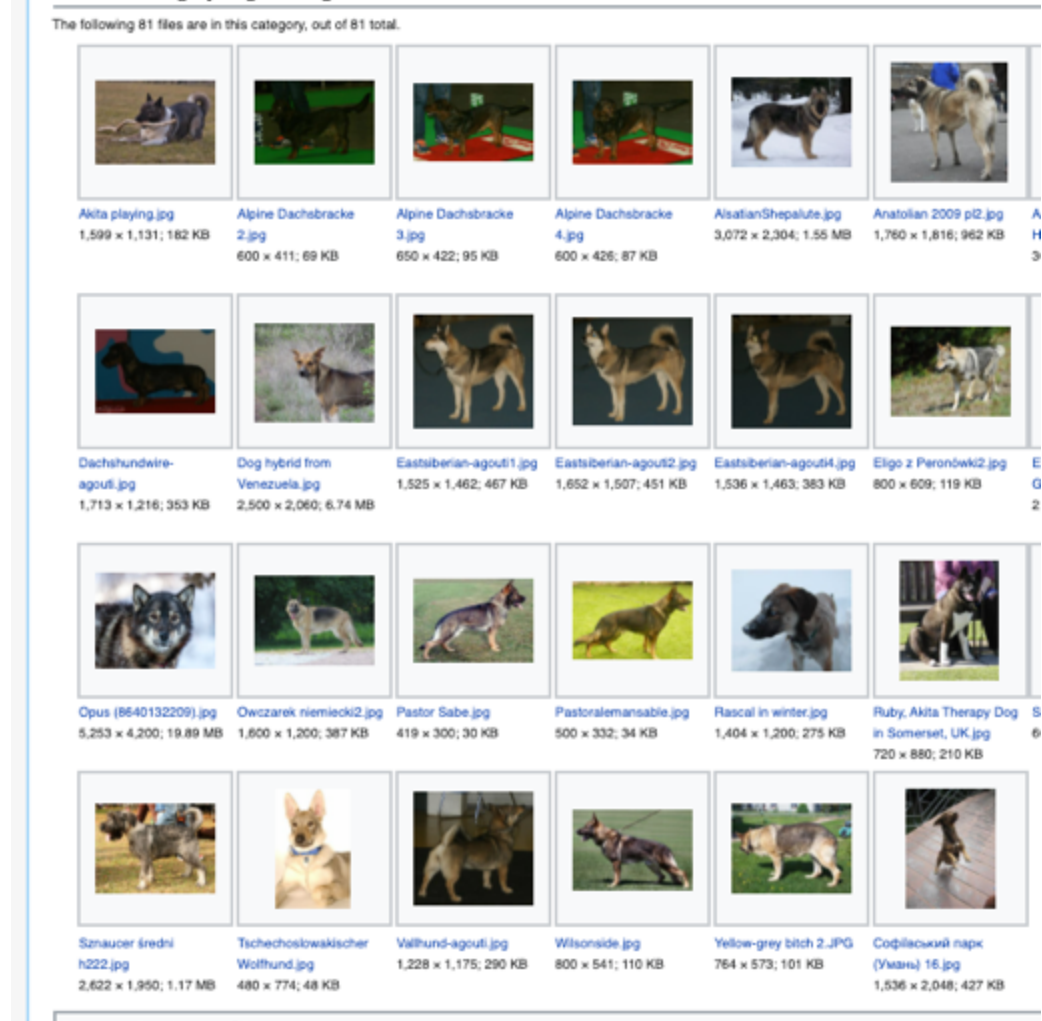
Transfer Learning via Regularization

- Problem I: classify image as “shows border collie” vs. “not”
- Problem II: classify image as “shows a dog” vs. “not”
- ML Problem I is our main interest
- only little training data $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$ for Problem I
- much more labeled data $\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$ for Problem II
- pre-train a hypothesis on $\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$, fine-tune on $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$



$\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$

learn h by fine-tuning \hat{h}



$\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$

pre-train hypothesis \hat{h}

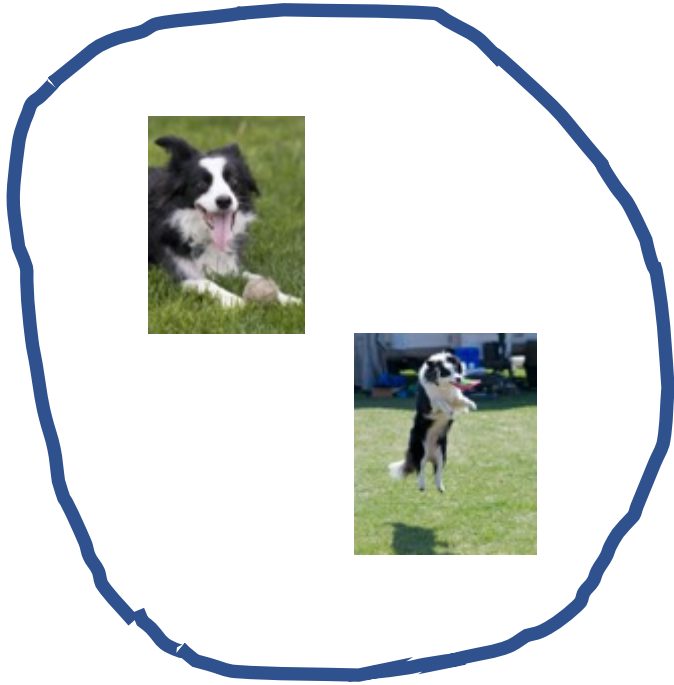
$$\min_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h)}_{\text{fine tuning on } \mathcal{D}^{(1)}} + \underbrace{\lambda d(h, \hat{h})}_{\text{distance to hypothesis } \hat{h} \text{ which is pre-trained on } \mathcal{D}^{(2)}}$$

fine tuning on $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$

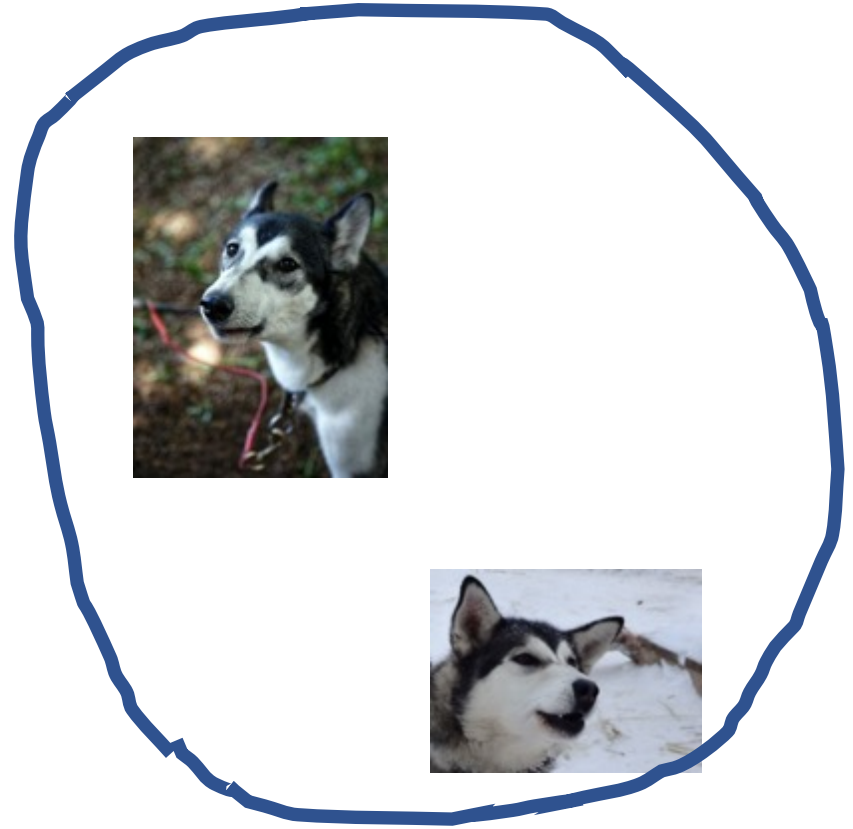
distance to hypothesis \hat{h} which is pre-trained on $\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$

Multi-Task Learning via Regularization

- Problem I: classify image as “shows border colly” vs. “not”
- Problem II: classify image as “shows husky” vs. “not”
- training data $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$ for Problem I and $\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$ for Problem II
- jointly learn hypothesis $h^{(1)}$ on $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$ and $h^{(2)}$ on $\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$
- require $h^{(1)}$ to be “similar” to $h^{(2)}$



$\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$



$\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$

jointly learn similar
 $h^{(1)}$ and $h^{(2)}$ for each dataset

training error of $h^{(1)}$

training error of $h^{(2)}$

\min

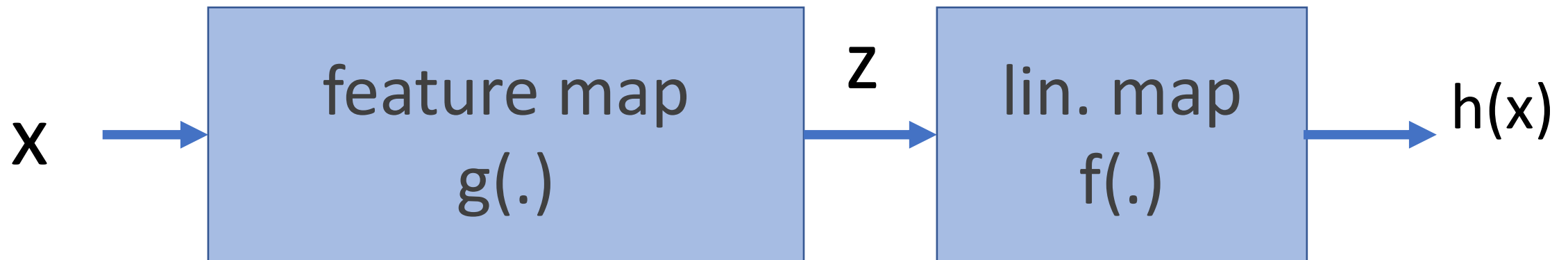
$$\varepsilon(h^{(1)} | \mathcal{D}^{(1)}) + \varepsilon(h^{(2)} | \mathcal{D}^{(2)}) \\ + \lambda d(h^{(1)}, h^{(2)})$$

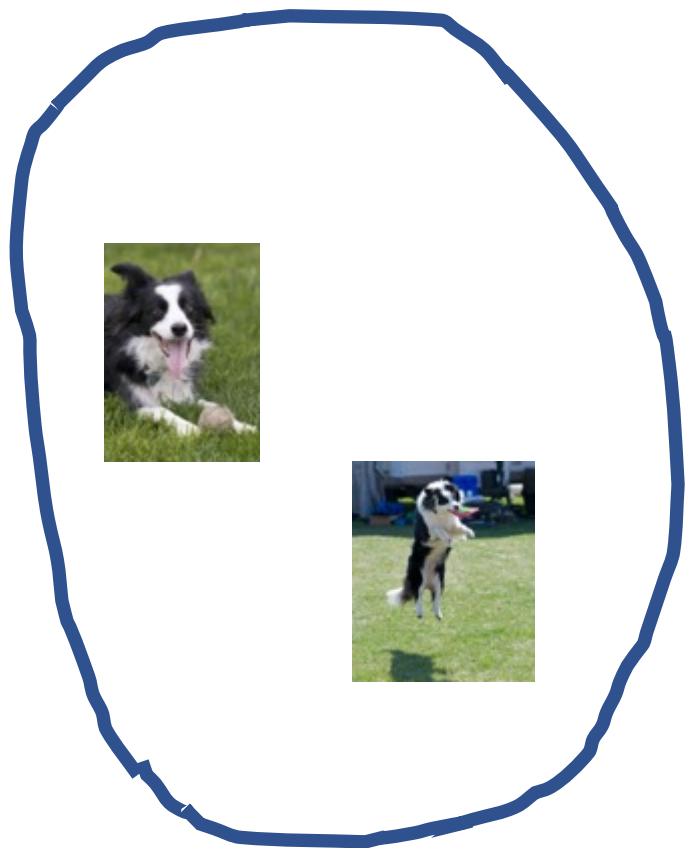
$h^{(1)}, h^{(2)}$

“distance” between $h^{(1)}$ and $h^{(2)}$

Semi-Supervised Learning via Regularization

- classify image as “shows border colly” vs. “not”
- small labeled dataset $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$
- massive image database $\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$ with unlabeled images
- train hypothesis $h(\cdot)$ on $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$ with following structure:





$\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$

learn linear classifier $f(\cdot)$



$\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$

learn feature map $g(\cdot)$

$$\min_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}((x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}), h)}_{\text{use training error to fine tune } f(.)} + \underbrace{\lambda \varepsilon(g | \mathcal{D}^{(2)})}_{\text{learn feature map } g(.) \text{ using large unlabeled database } \mathcal{D}^{(2)}}$$

use training error
to fine tune $f(\cdot)$

learn feature map $g(\cdot)$
using large unlabeled
database $\mathcal{D}^{(2)}$

To sum up,

- regularization is a soft model pruning
- regularization does implicit data augmentation
- special cases of regularization
 - transfer learning
 - multi-task learning
 - semi-supervised learning

Questions ?