

# RANSAC

## Robust Model Estimation

## From Data Contaminated By Outliers

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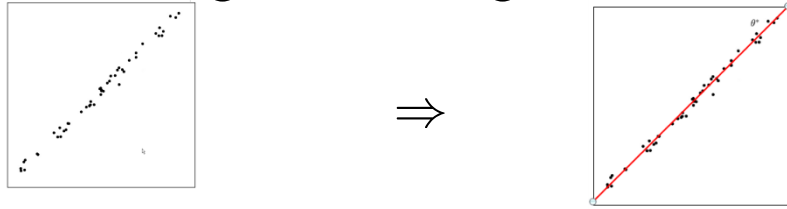
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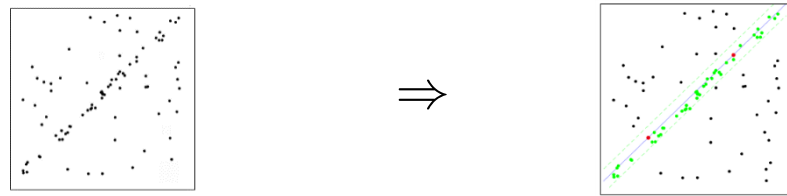
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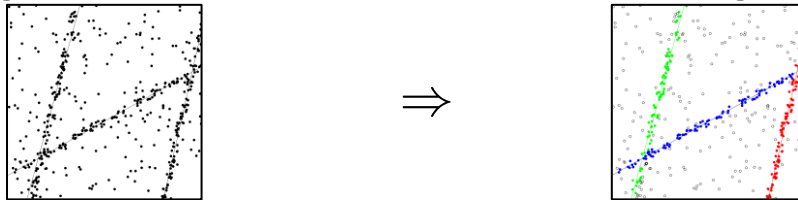
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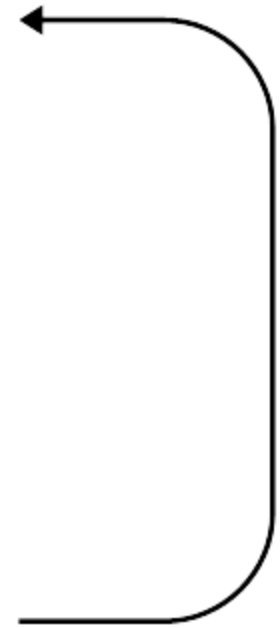
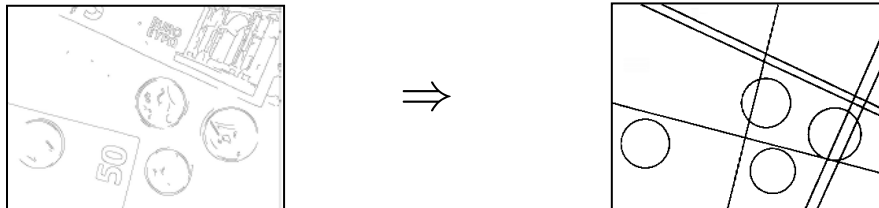
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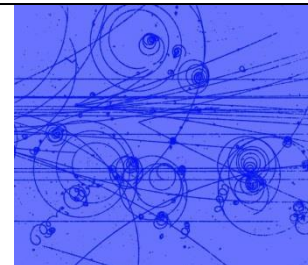
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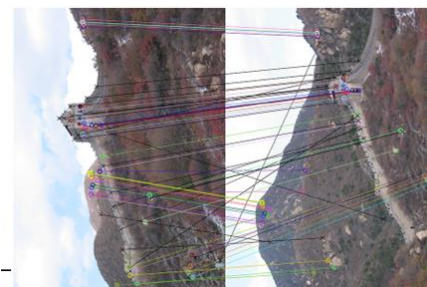
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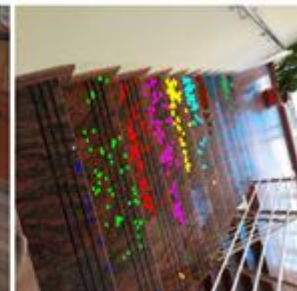
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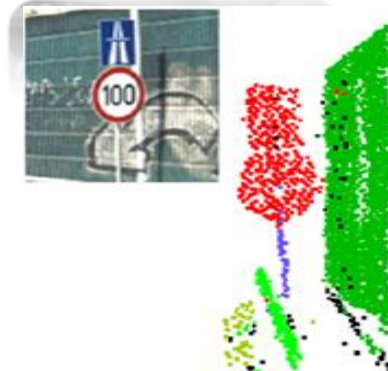
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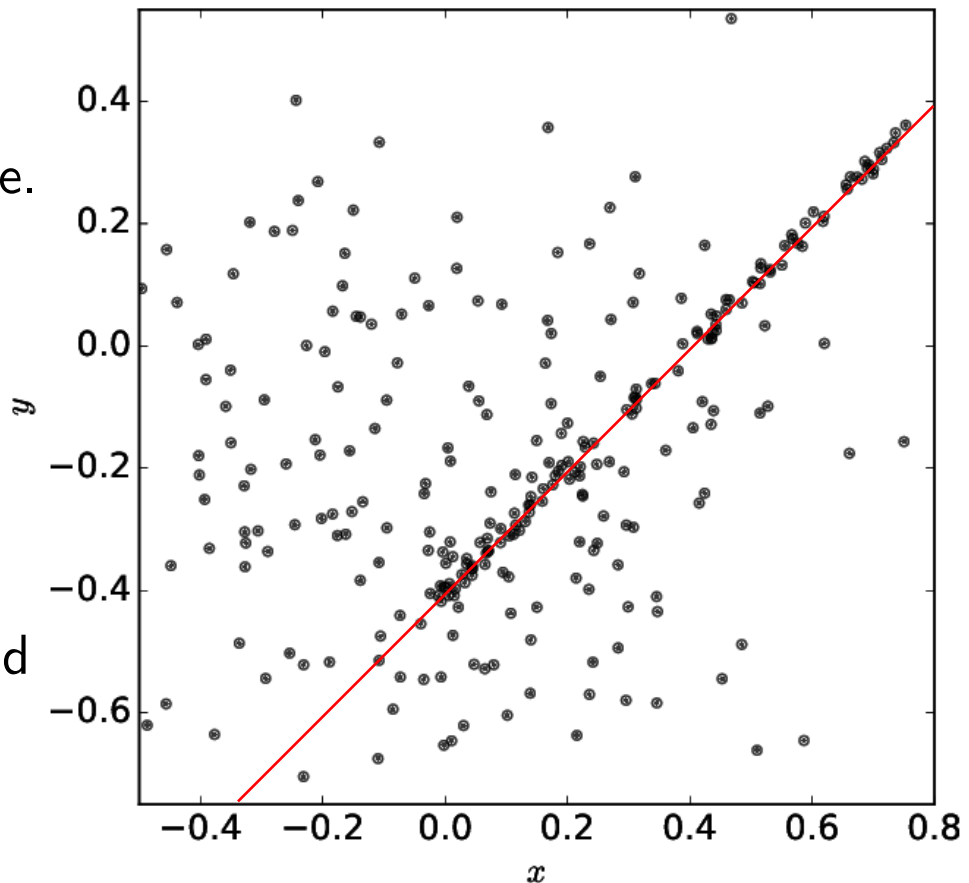


# What is RANSAC?



- RANSAC = RANdom SAmple Consensus
- M.A. Fischler and R.C. Bolles. Random sample consensus: A paradigm for model fitting with applications to image analysis and automated cartography. CACM, 24(6):381–395, June 1981.

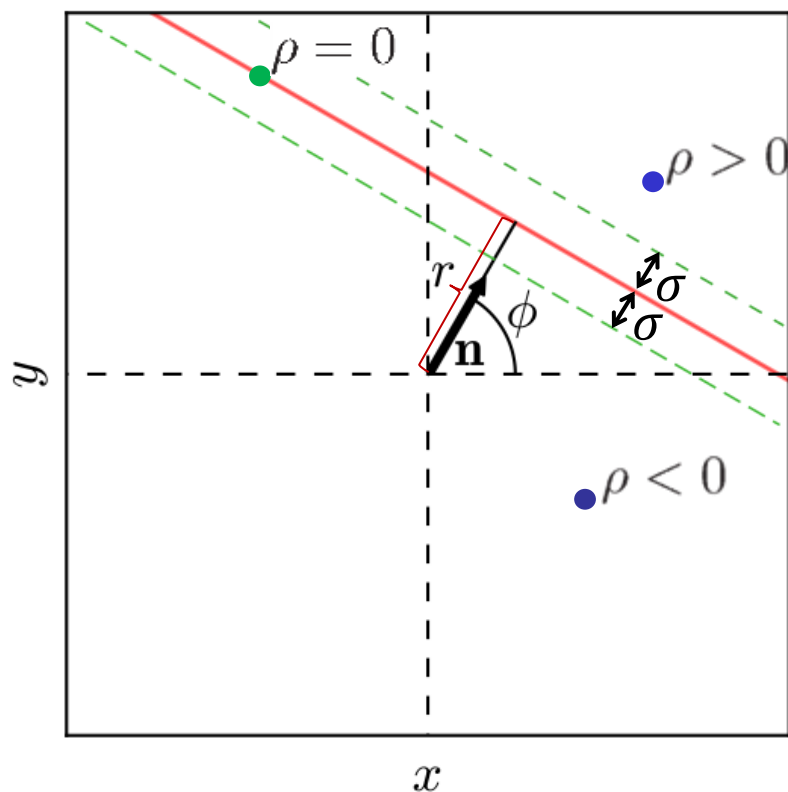
- **Example:** Finding a line in 2D
  - Not all input points are on the line.
  - Finding a line implicitly divides points to **inliers** (=those on a line) and **outliers** (=those not on a line)
  - Due to noise, “on a line” actually means inside a narrow strip around the line



# Example: Line Fitting



First, let us introduce a line parametrization and define the “strip around the line” formally:



- Line parameters:  $\phi \in [0, \pi[$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{R}$

- Point  $\mathbf{x} = (x, y)$  on the line:

$$x \cos \phi + y \sin \phi = r$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} \cdot (\cos \phi, \sin \phi) = r$$

- Signed distance  $\rho(\mathbf{p})$  of point  $\mathbf{p}$  from the line:

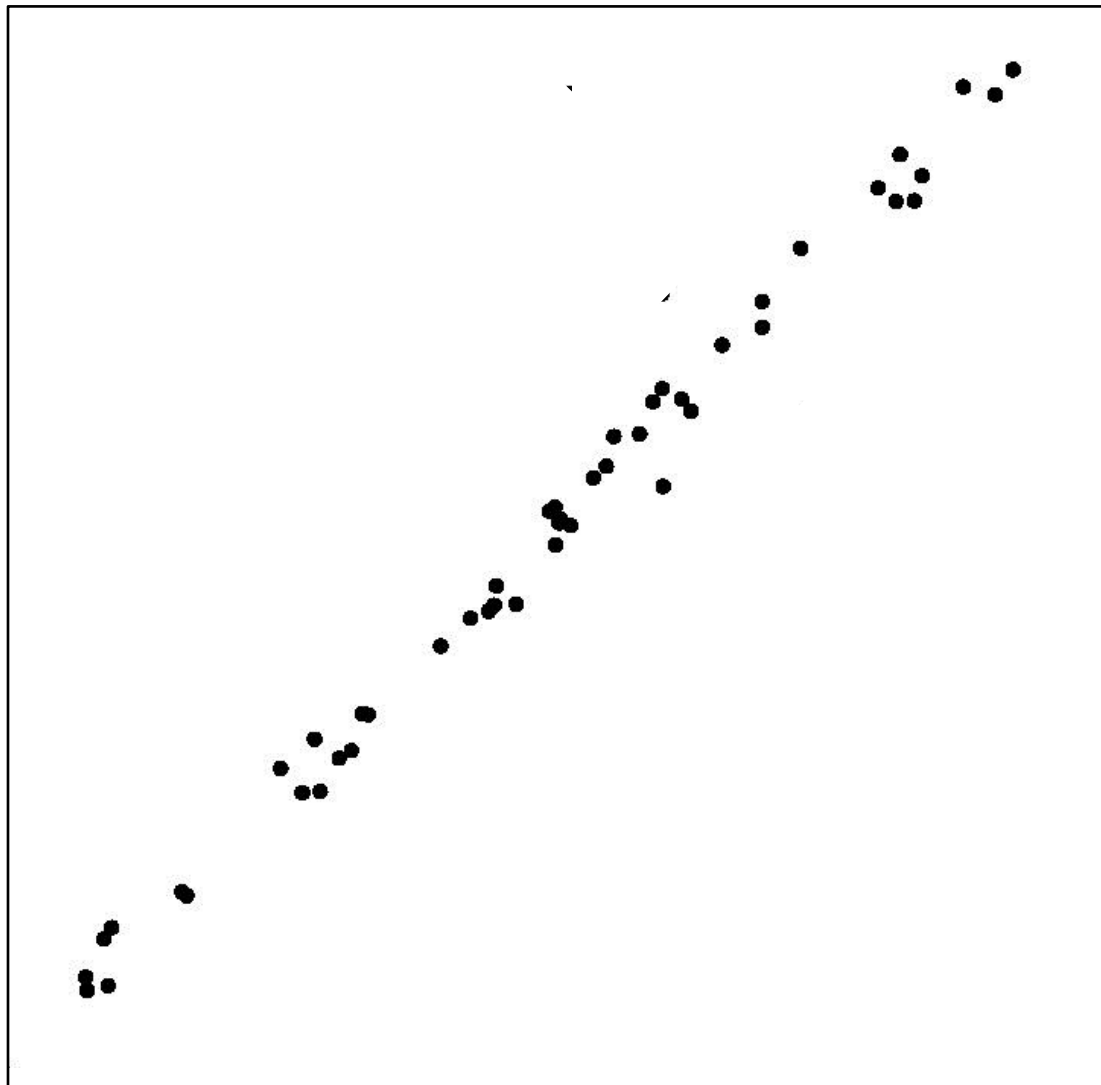
$$\rho(\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{p} \cdot (\cos \phi, \sin \phi) - r$$

- Point  $\mathbf{p}$  inside a strip of half-width  $\sigma$ :

$$|\rho(\mathbf{p})| \leq \sigma$$

Note:  $\mathbf{n} = (\cos \phi, \sin \phi)$   
(thus  $\|\mathbf{n}\| = 1$ )

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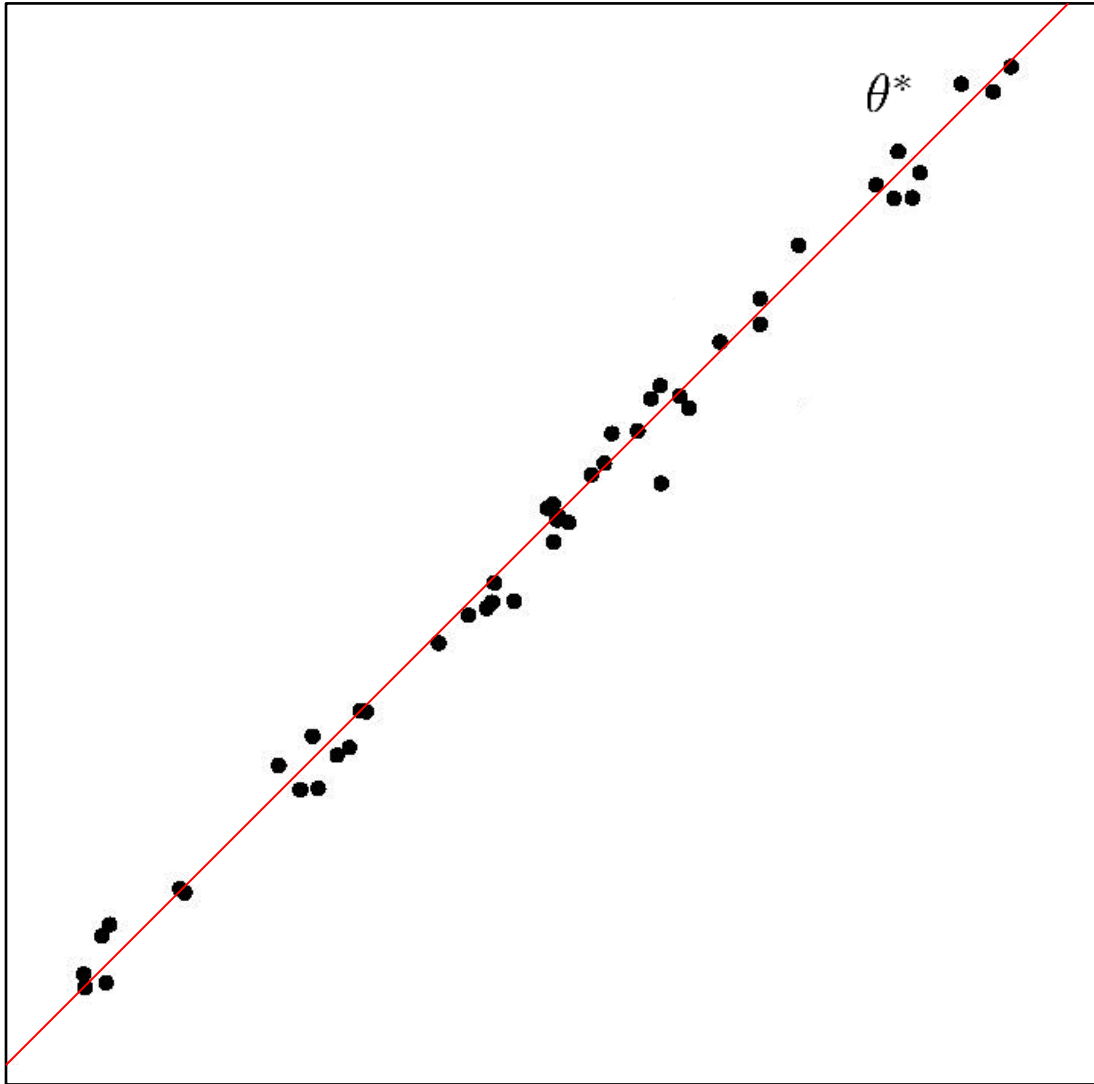


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Optimization: Find best  
line with parameters  $\theta^*$  :

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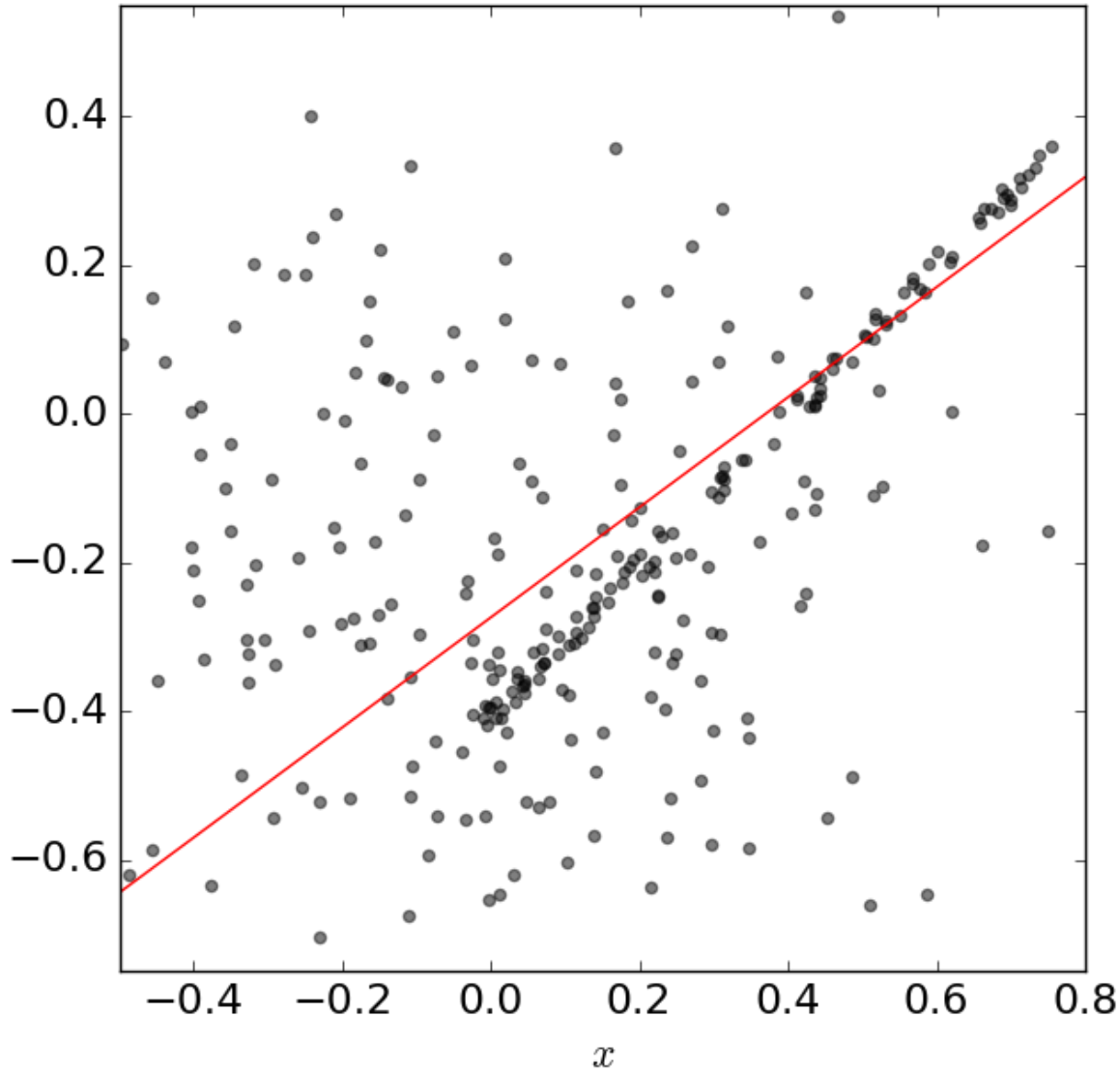
For  $f_{LSQ}(\mathbf{x}, \theta) = [\rho(\mathbf{x})]^2$

This is easily solvable by  
Singular Value  
Decomposition (SVD)

# General Case with Outliers, Example 1



Example 1



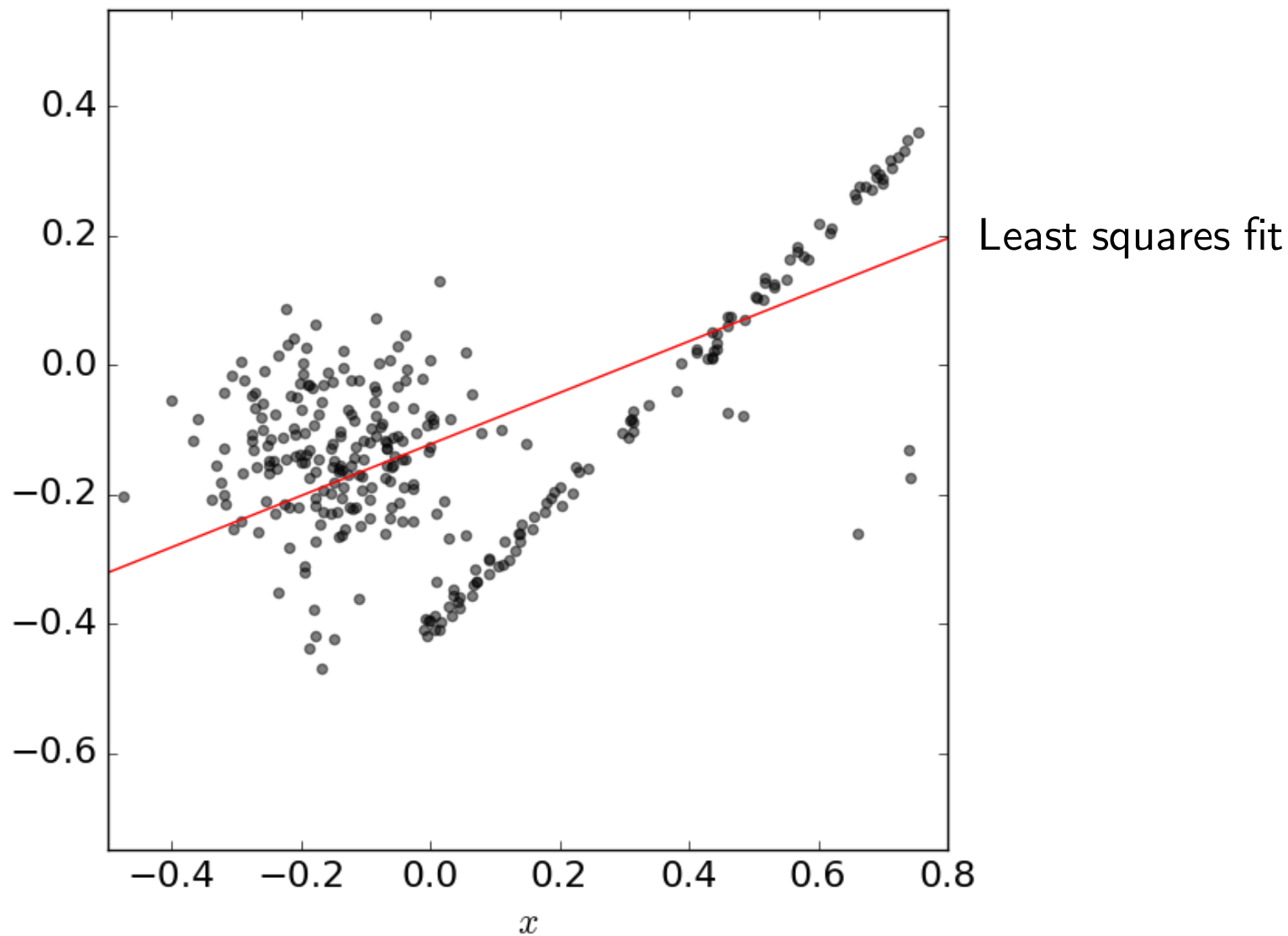
Least squares fit



# General Case with Outliers, Example 2



Example 2



- $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}_j\}_{j=1}^{N_p}$  set of data points

Find:

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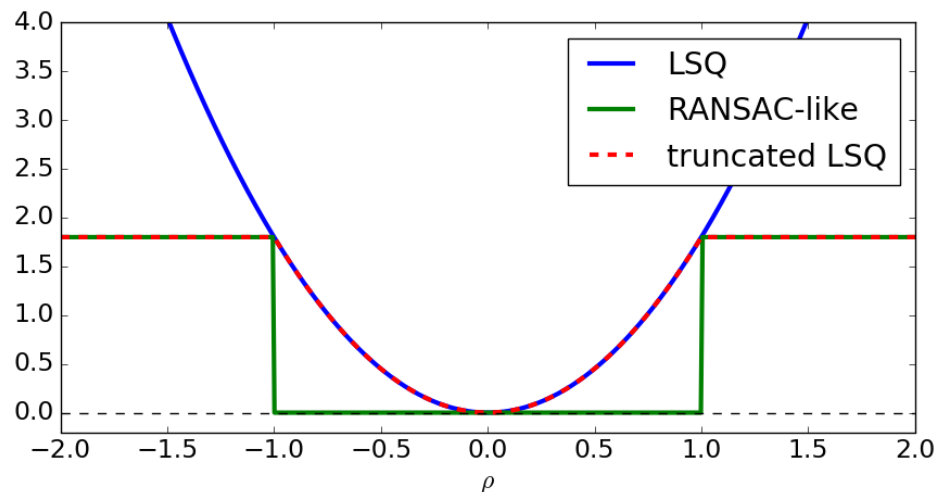
$$\theta = (r, \phi)$$

- No outliers:  $f_{LSQ}(\mathbf{x}, \theta) = [\rho(\mathbf{x})]^2$

- **For robust fitting, use instead:**

$$f_{\text{RANSAC}}(\mathbf{x}, \theta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } |\rho(\mathbf{x})| \leq \text{threshold } \sigma \\ \text{const}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

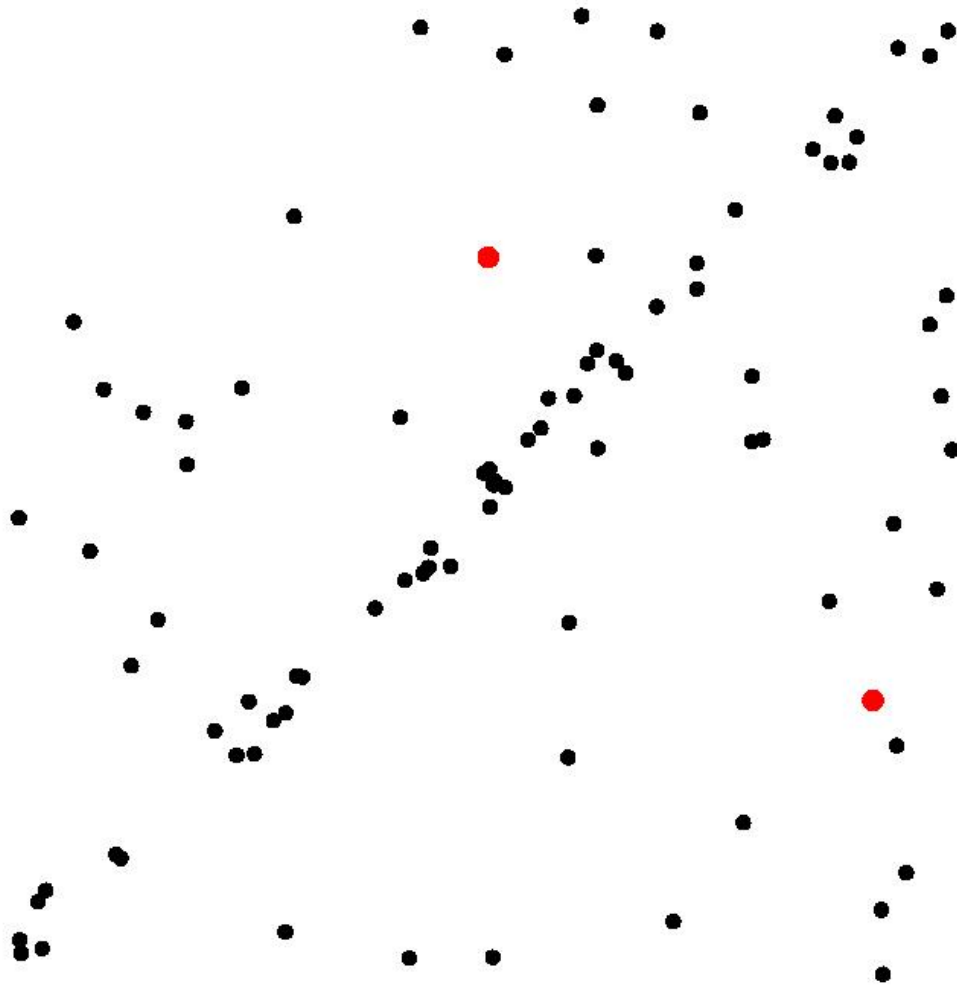
- Such cost function is non-convex (and the optimization task is to minimize the number of outliers)
- How to find optimal line parameters?



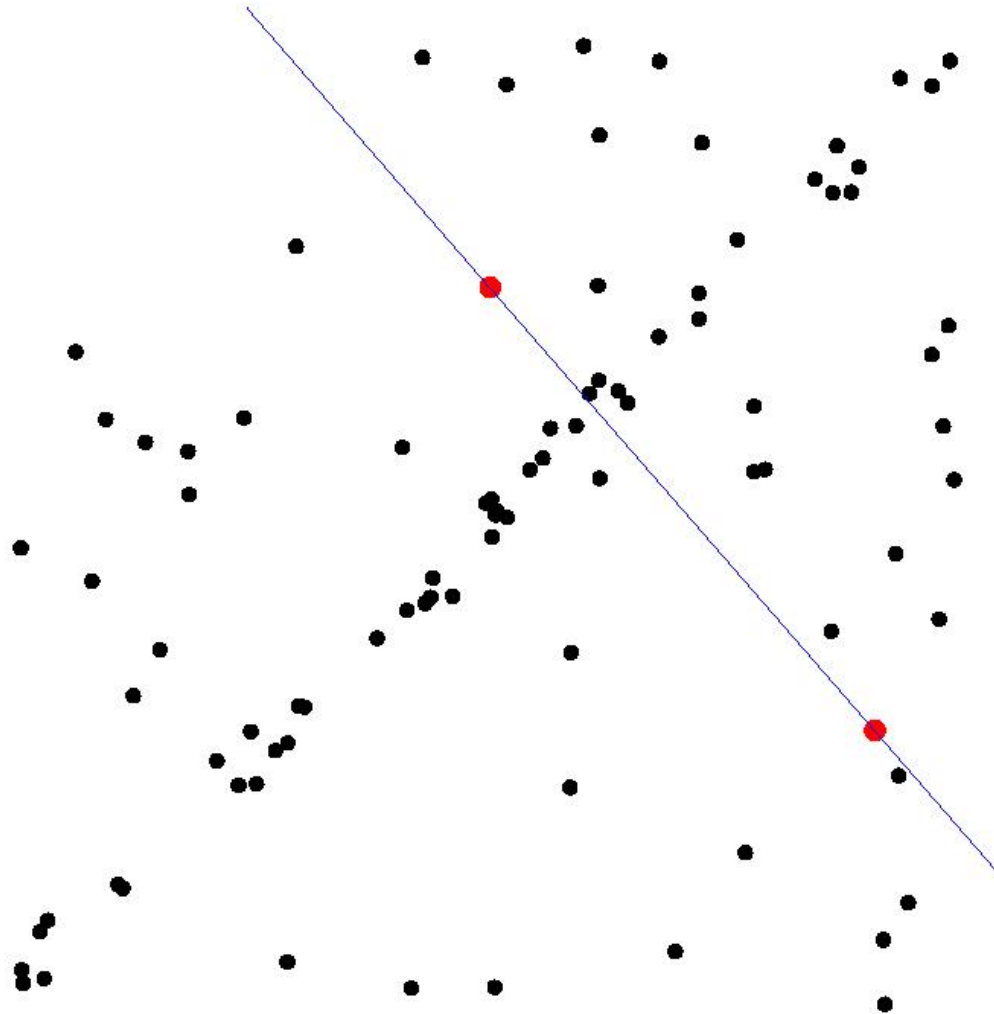
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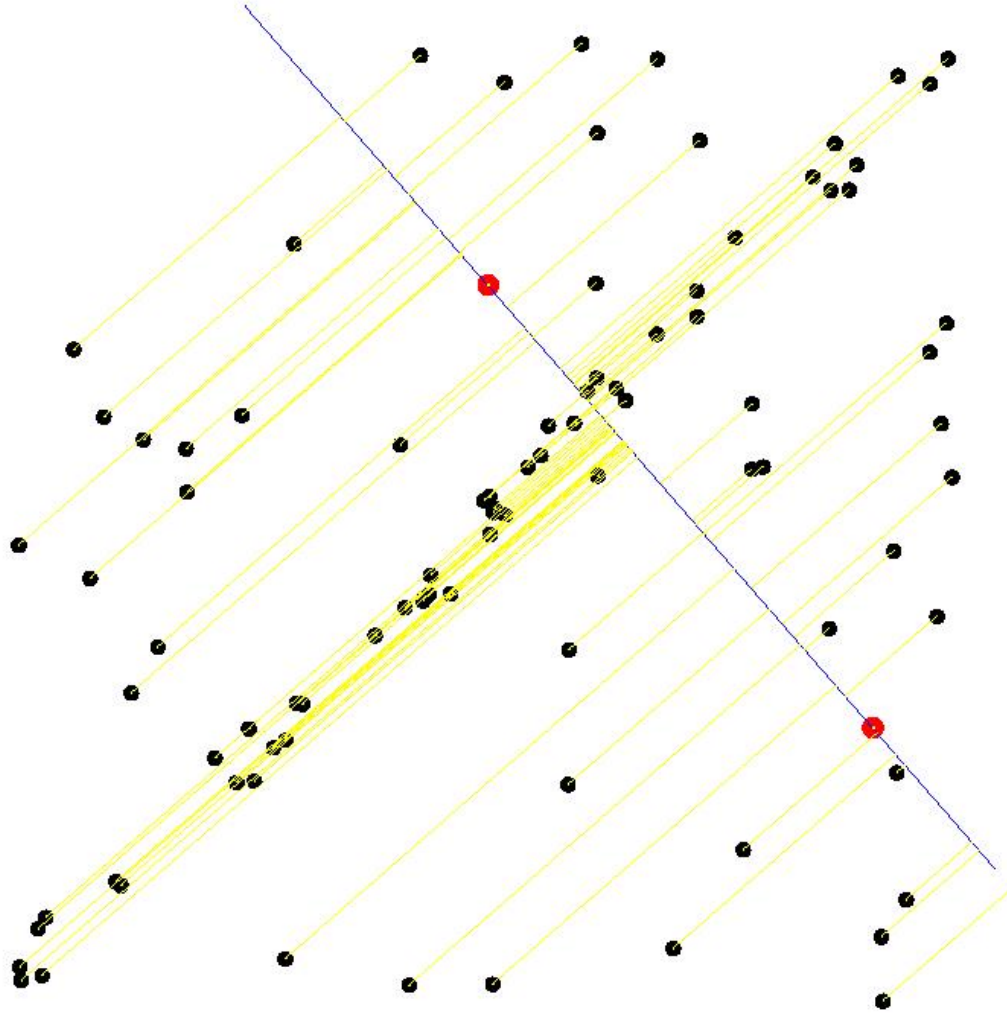
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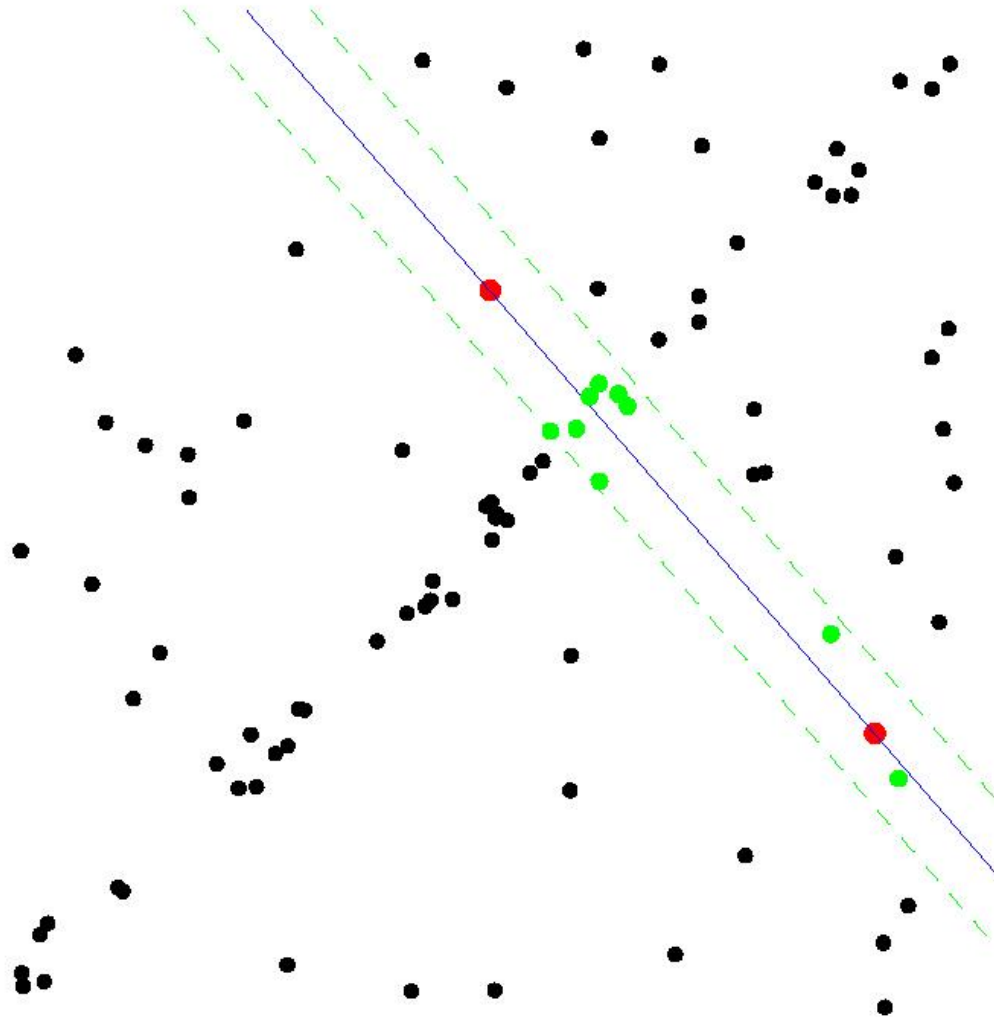


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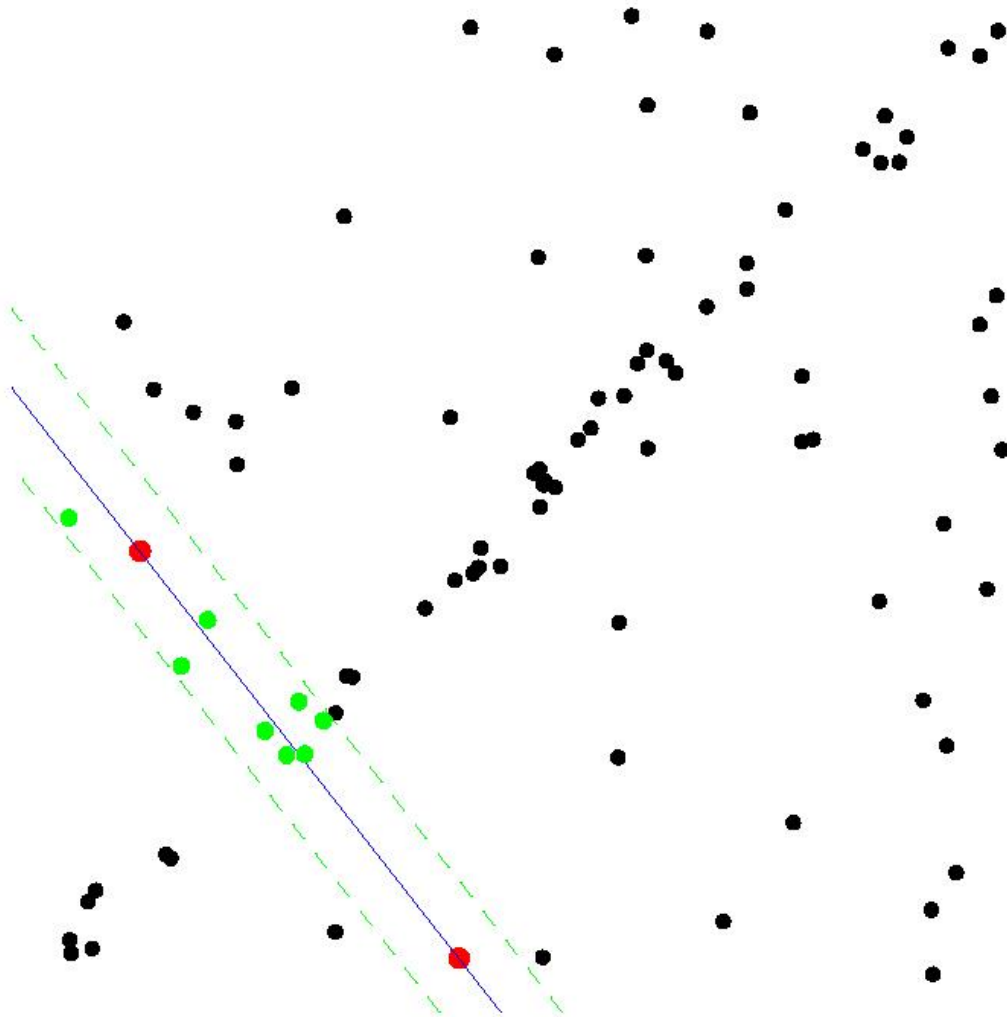
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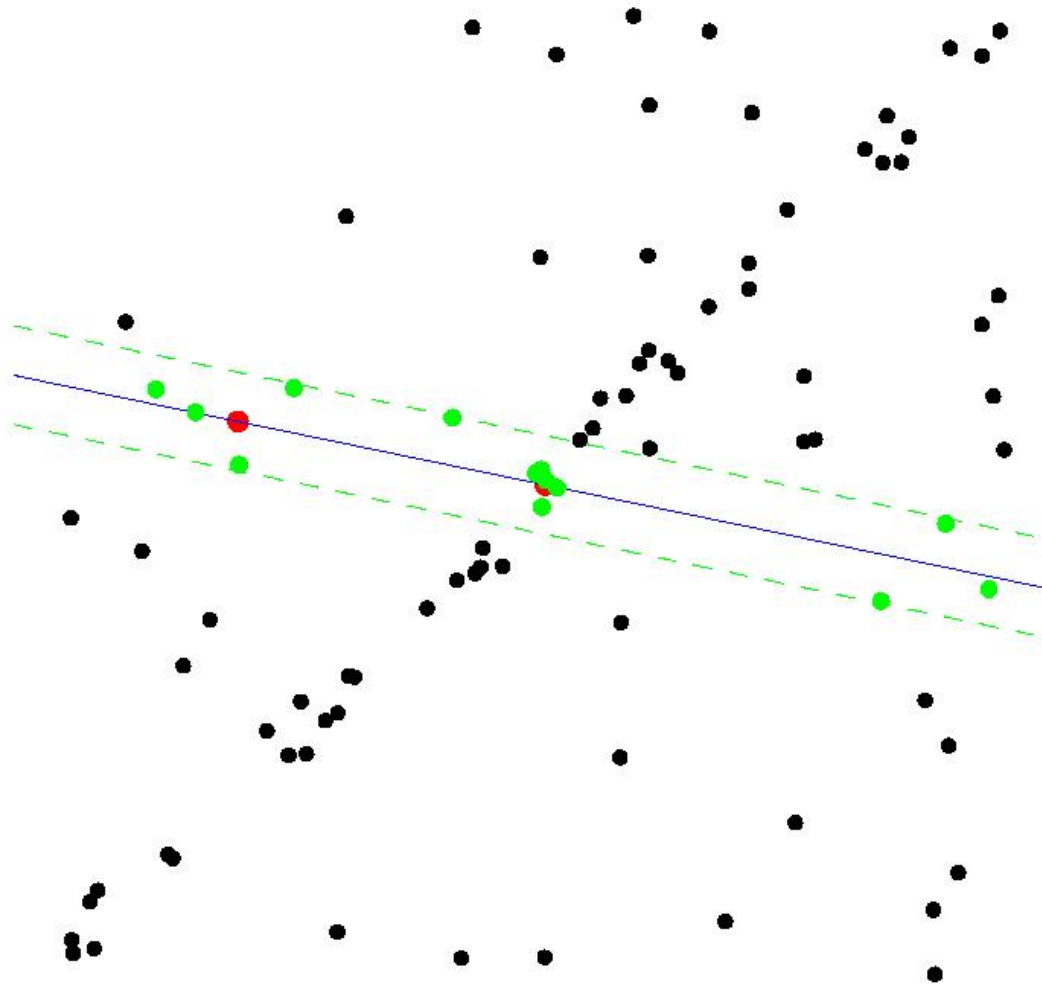
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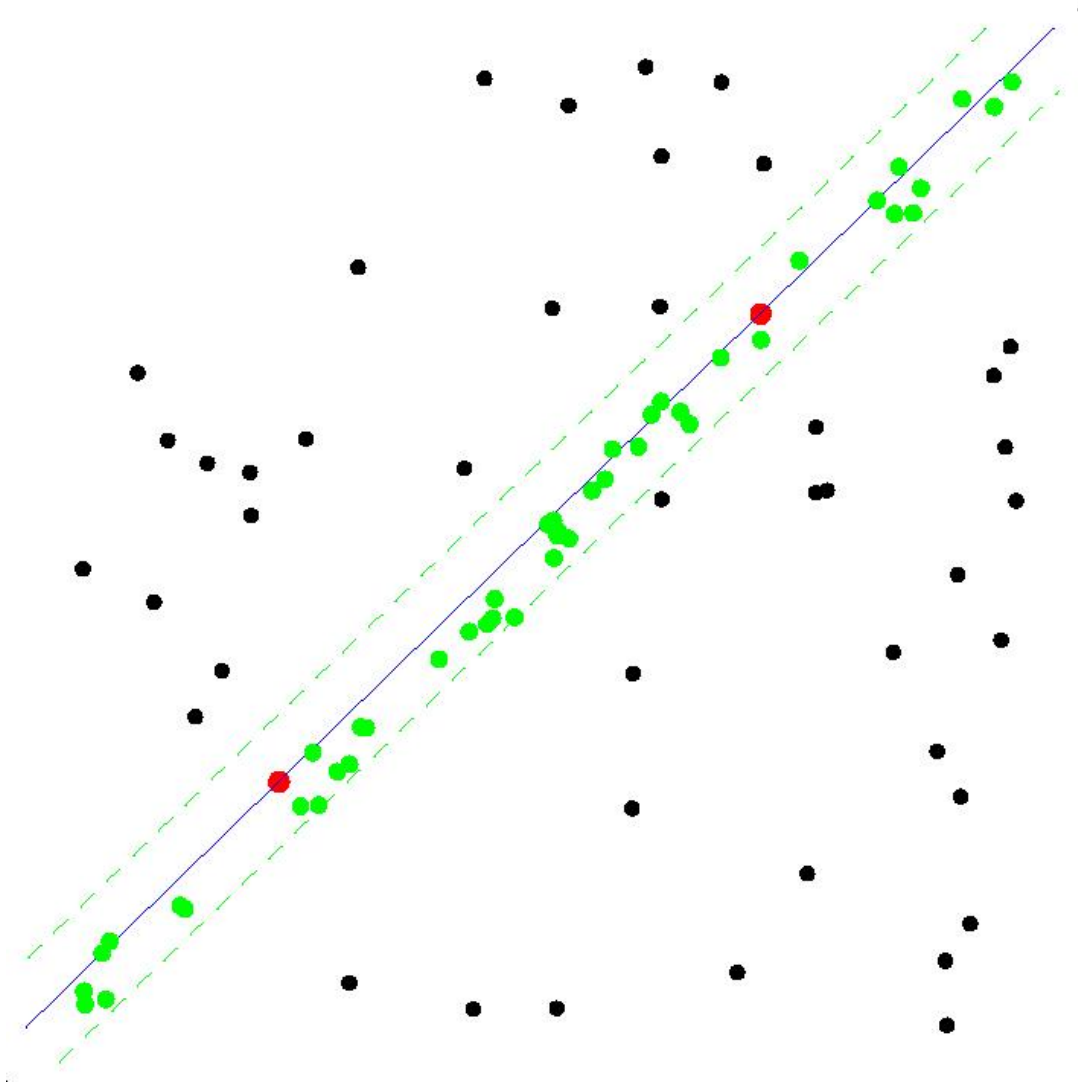
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**SAMPLING**

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# RANSAC – how many samples?



- $N$  Number of points
- $Q$  Number of inliers,  $Q = N - J^*$
- $m$  Size of sample
- $\epsilon = Q/N$  Inlier ratio

Probability of all-inlier (uncontaminated) sample:

$$P(\text{inlier sample}) = \frac{\binom{Q}{m}}{\binom{N}{m}} = \frac{Q(Q-1)\dots(Q-m+1)}{N(N-1)\dots(N-m+1)} \approx \epsilon^m$$

Mean time for hitting all-inliers sample is proportional to  $1/P$ .

# RANSAC – how many samples?



- How about this formulation:
  - Set the number of samples  $k$  such that **at least one** pair of points from the line has been hit with probability larger than  $\eta$
  - Equivalently ... such that **no** pair of points from the line has been hit with probability lower than  $1 - \eta$
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The required confidence in solution:

$$P(\text{bad model } k \text{ times}) = (1 - P(\text{inlier sample}))^k < 1 - \eta$$

Finding the solution with confidence  $\eta$  therefore requires at least  $k$  samples:

$$k \geq \log(1 - \eta) / \log(1 - \epsilon^m)$$

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Inlier ratio  $\epsilon = Q/N$  [%]

	15%	20%	30%	40%	50%	70%
2	130	73	32	17	10	4
	200	110	49	26	16	6
	300	170	73	40	24	10
3	890	370	110	45	22	7
	1400	570	170	70	34	11
	2000	860	250	100	52	16
4	5900	1900	370	120	46	11
	9100	2900	570	180	71	17
	$1.4 \cdot 10^4$	4300	850	270	110	25
8	$1.2 \cdot 10^7$	$1.2 \cdot 10^6$	$4.6 \cdot 10^4$	4600	770	50
	$1.8 \cdot 10^7$	$1.8 \cdot 10^6$	$7.0 \cdot 10^4$	7000	1200	78
	$2.7 \cdot 10^7$	$2.7 \cdot 10^6$	$1.1 \cdot 10^5$	$1.1 \cdot 10^4$	1800	120
12	$2.3 \cdot 10^{10}$	$7.3 \cdot 10^8$	$5.6 \cdot 10^6$	$1.8 \cdot 10^5$	$1.2 \cdot 10^4$	210
	$3.5 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^9$	$8.7 \cdot 10^6$	$2.7 \cdot 10^5$	$1.9 \cdot 10^4$	330
	$5.3 \cdot 10^{10}$	$1.7 \cdot 10^9$	$1.3 \cdot 10^7$	$4.1 \cdot 10^5$	$2.8 \cdot 10^4$	500
18	$2.1 \cdot 10^{15}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{13}$	$7.7 \cdot 10^9$	$4.4 \cdot 10^7$	$7.9 \cdot 10^5$	1800
	$3.2 \cdot 10^{15}$	$1.8 \cdot 10^{13}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{10}$	$6.7 \cdot 10^7$	$1.2 \cdot 10^6$	2800
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Size of the sample  $m$

Computed for confidences  $\eta = 0.95$  (first row in each cell),  
 $\eta = 0.99$  (second row) and  $\eta = 0.999$  (third row)

## Pros:

- extremely popular (>17000 citations in Google Scholar)
- used in many applications
- percentage of inliers not needed and not limited
- a probabilistic guarantee for the solution
- mild assumptions:  $\sigma$  known

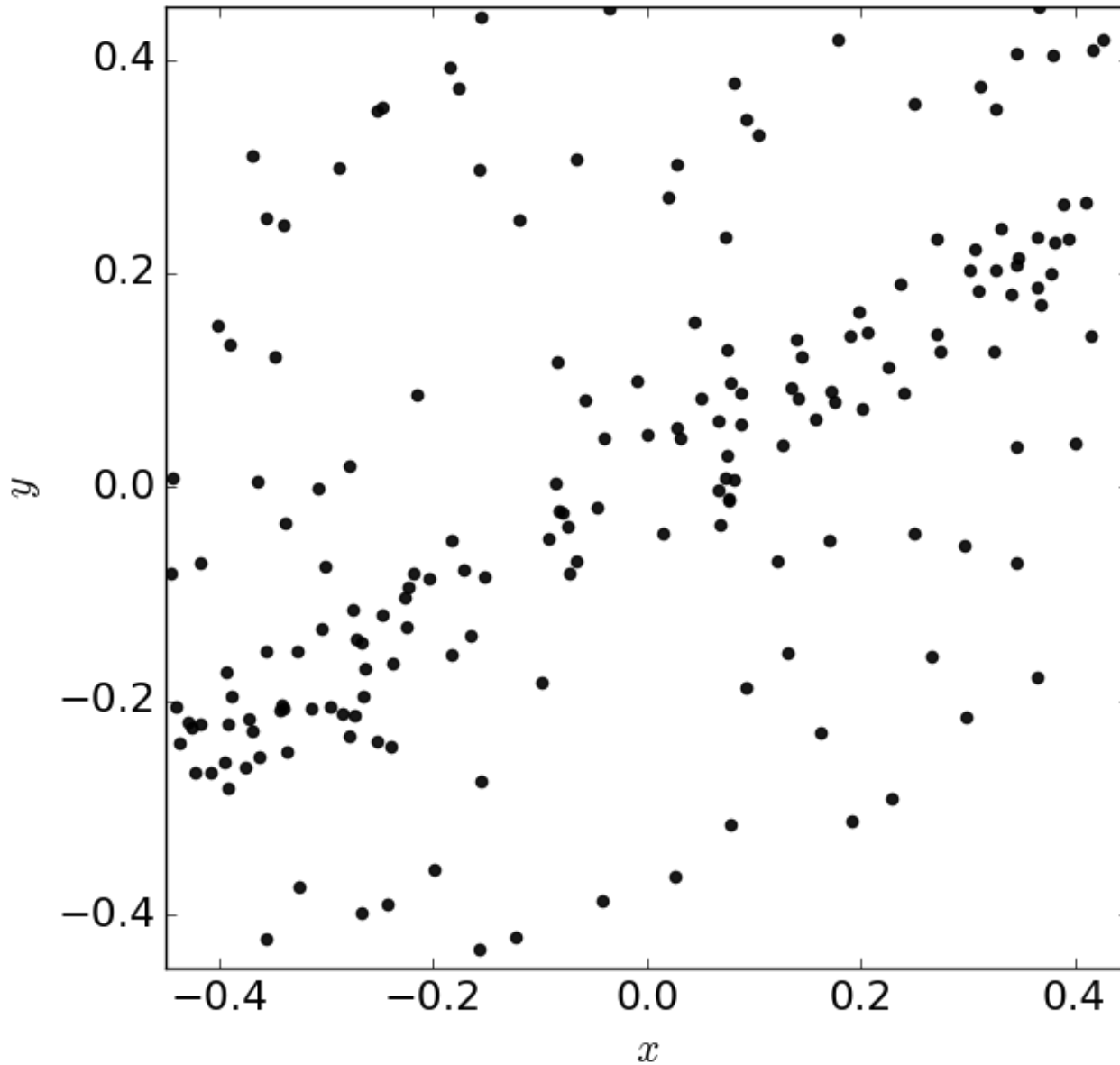
## Cons:

- slow if inlier ratio low
- It was observed experimentally that RANSAC takes several times longer than theoretically expected. This is due to noise – not every all-inlier sample generates a good hypothesis:

$$P(\text{inlier sample}) \neq P(\text{good model estimate})$$

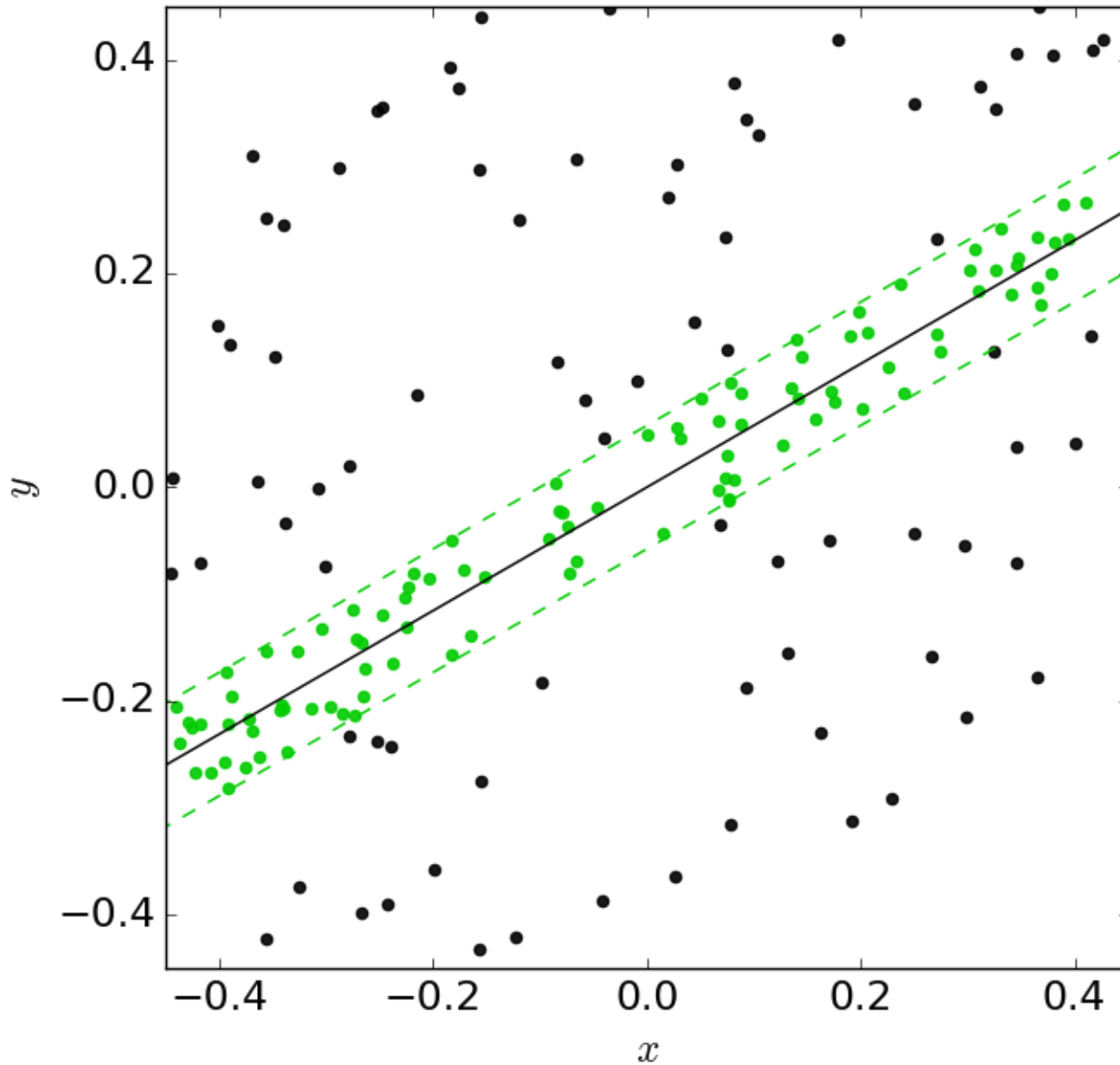
- **Cost function:** MLESAC, Huber loss, ...
- **Outlier threshold**  $\sigma$  (how to set it in advance? Or, how to avoid setting it?): Least median of Squares, MINPRAN, MAGSAC, ...
- **Correctness of the results. Degeneracy.**  
Solution: DegenSAC.
- **Accuracy** (parameters are estimated from minimal samples).  
Solution: Locally Optimized RANSAC
- **Speed:** Running time grows with number of data points, number of iterations (polynomial in the inlier ratio)  
Addressing the problem:  
R-RANSAC (Randomized evaluation), RANSAC with SPRT (WaldSAC), PROSAC





Data: 200 points

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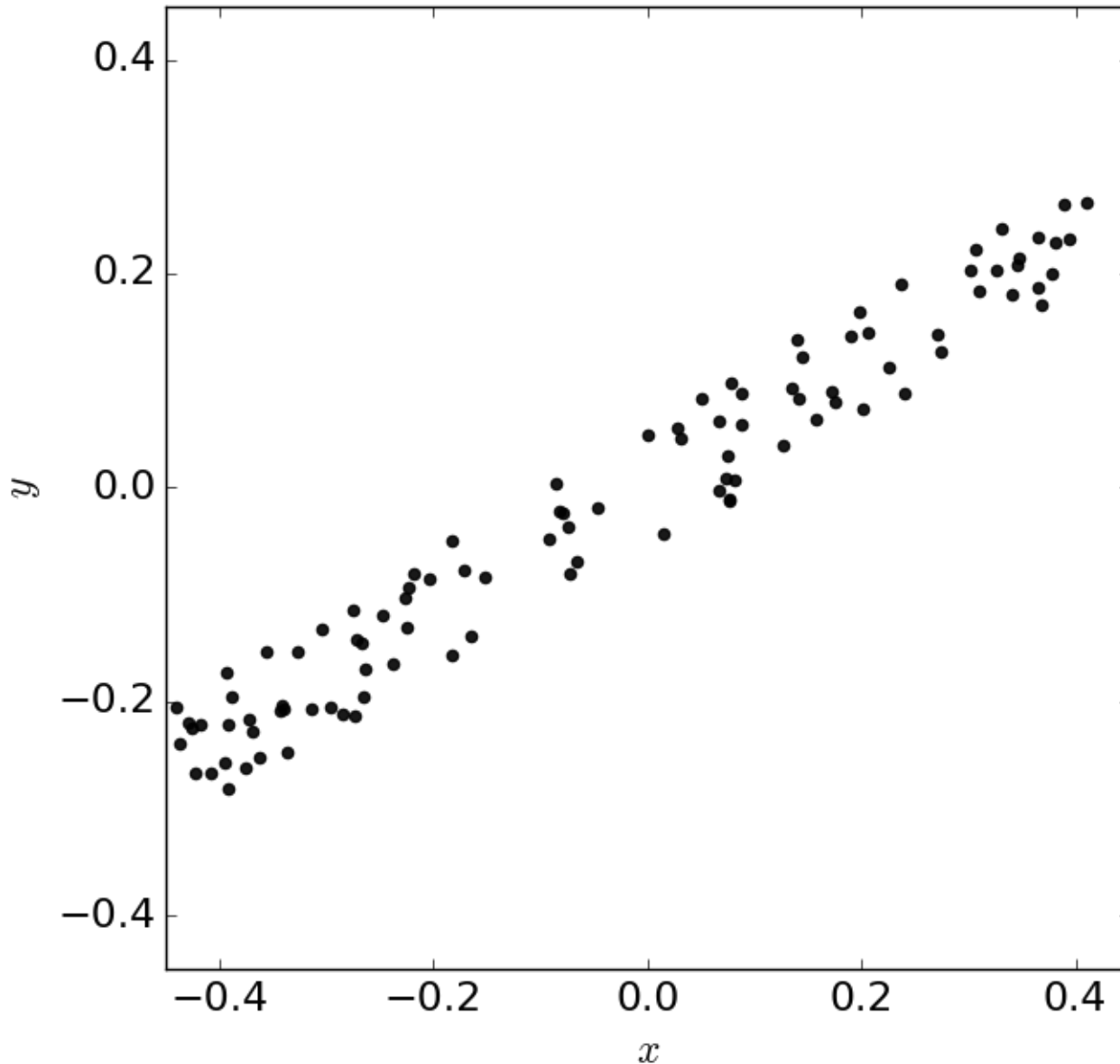


Data: 200 points  
Model, 100 inliers

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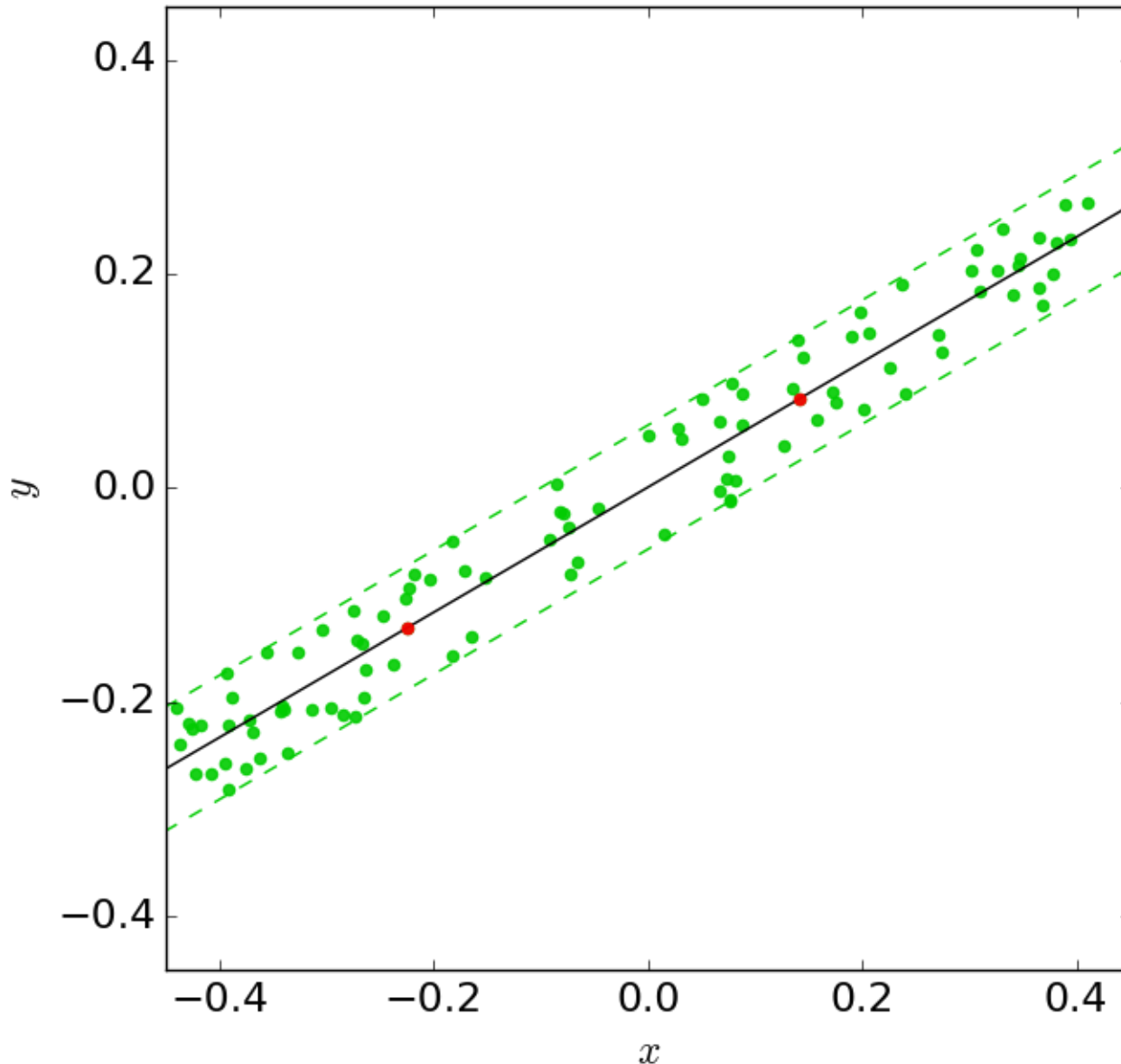
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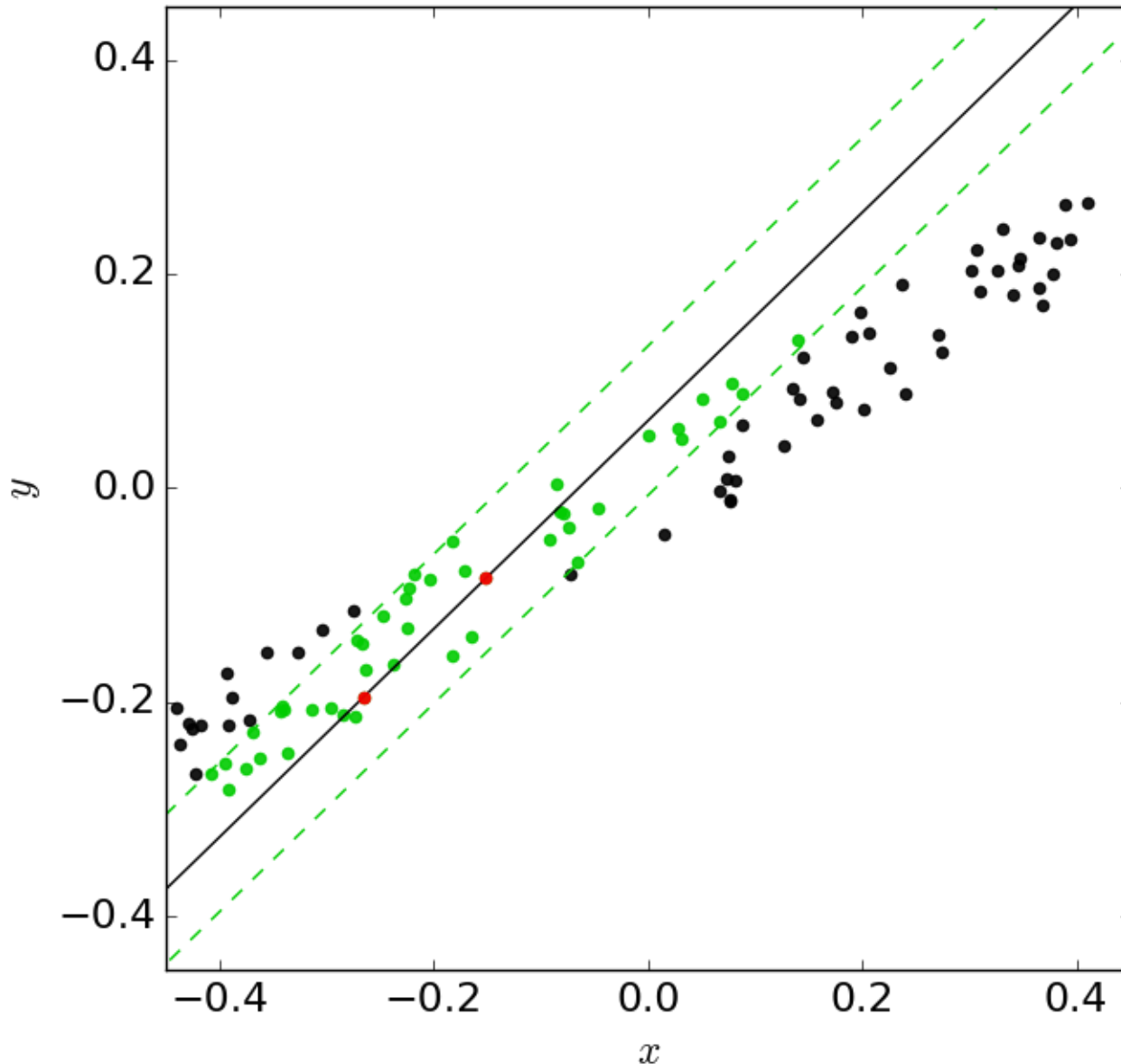
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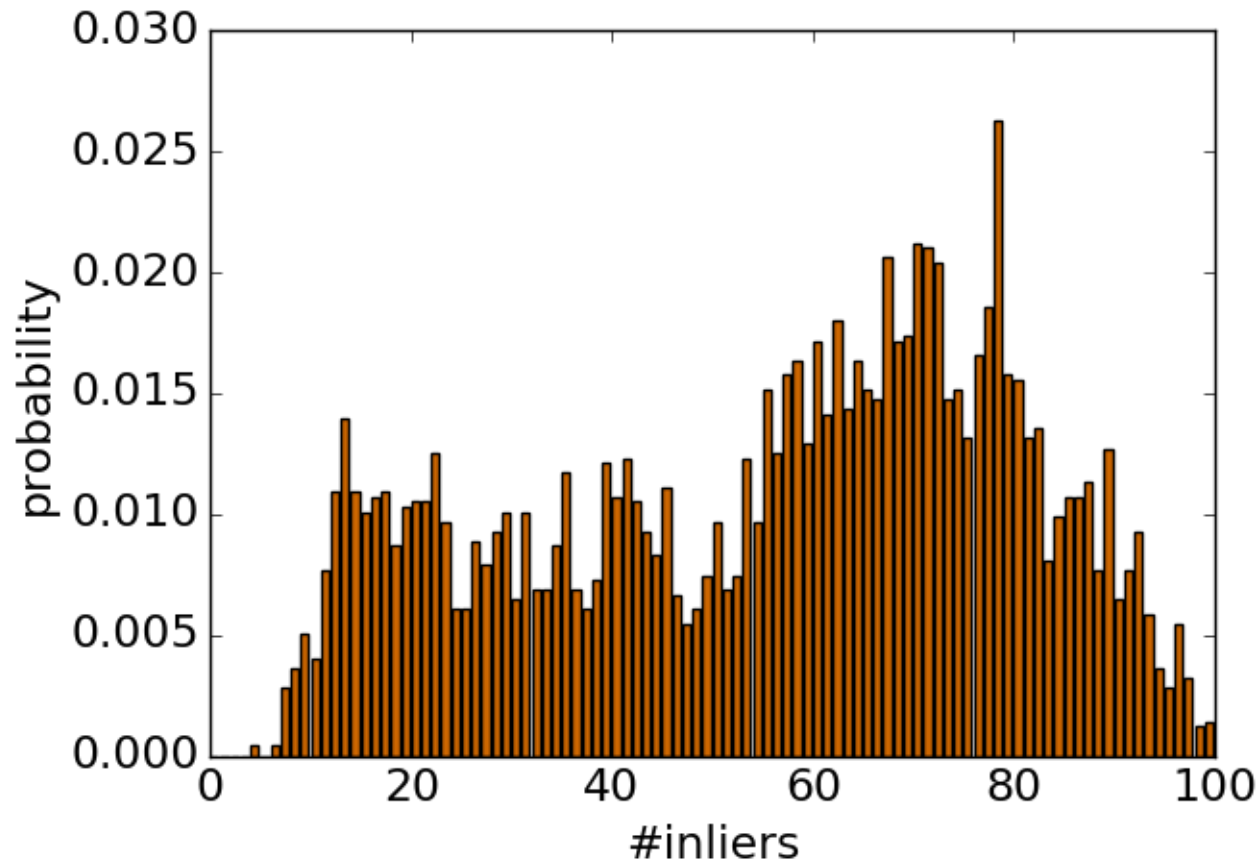
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The distribution of the number of inliers obtained  
while randomly sampling inlier points pairs

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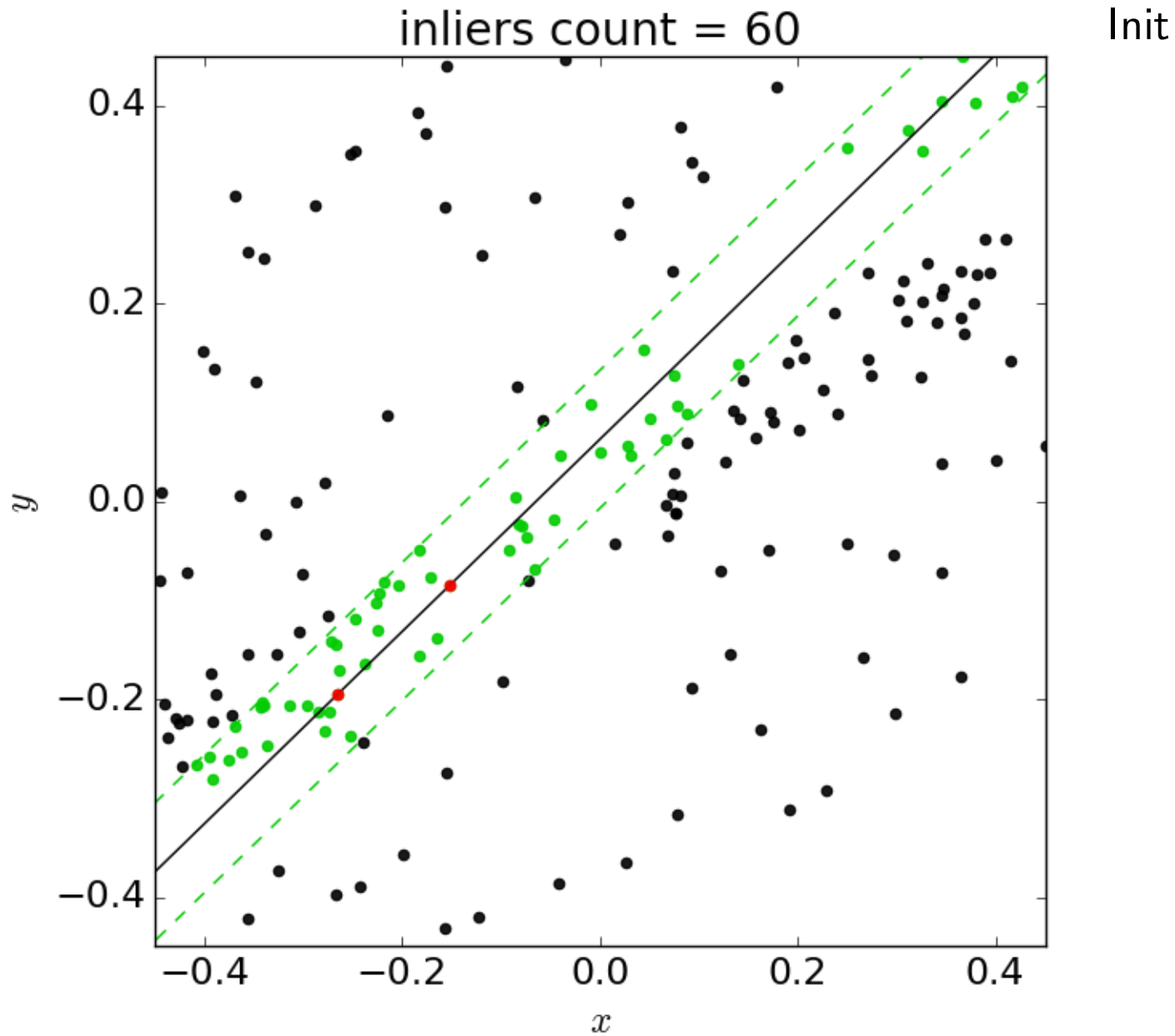
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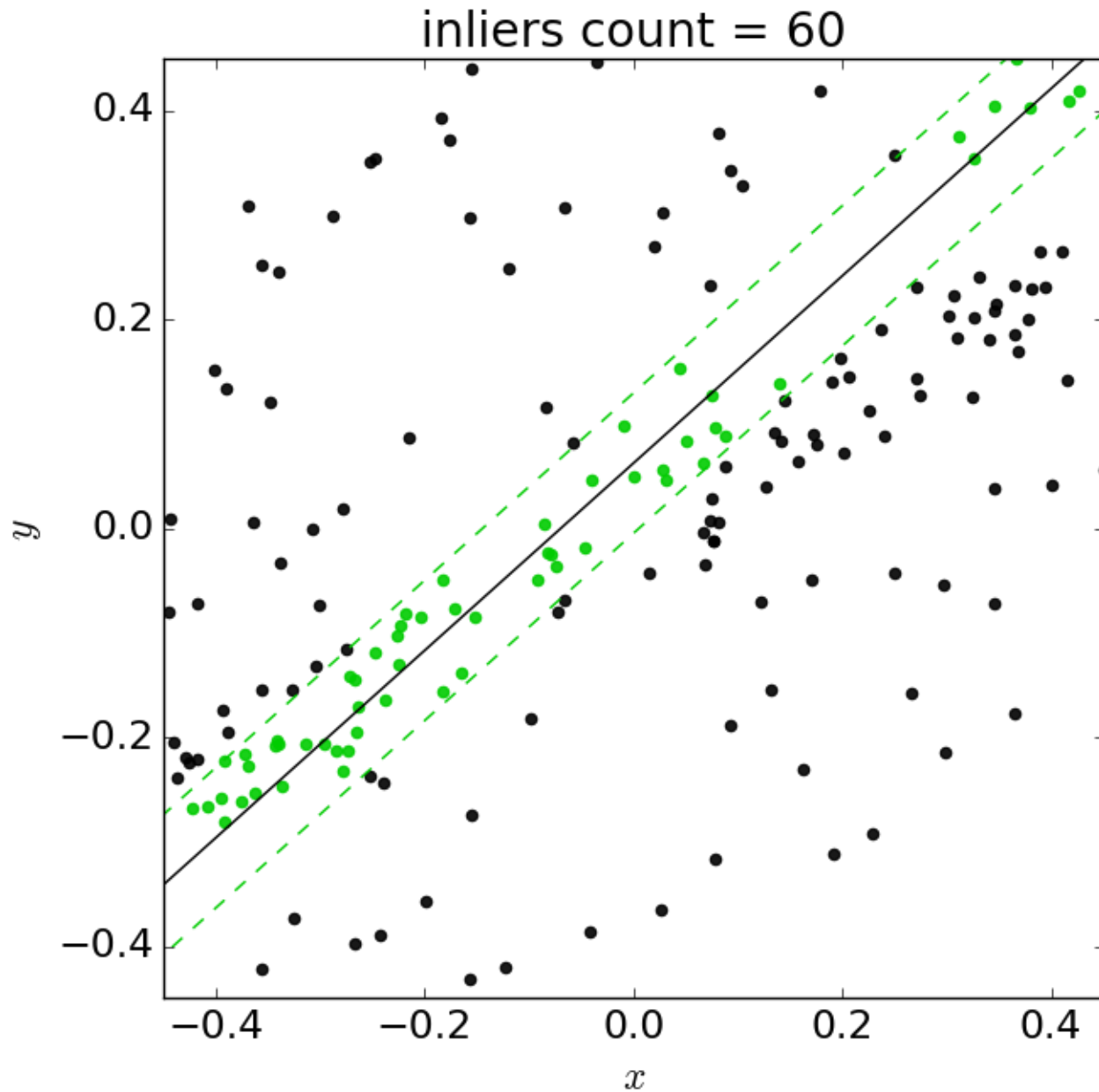
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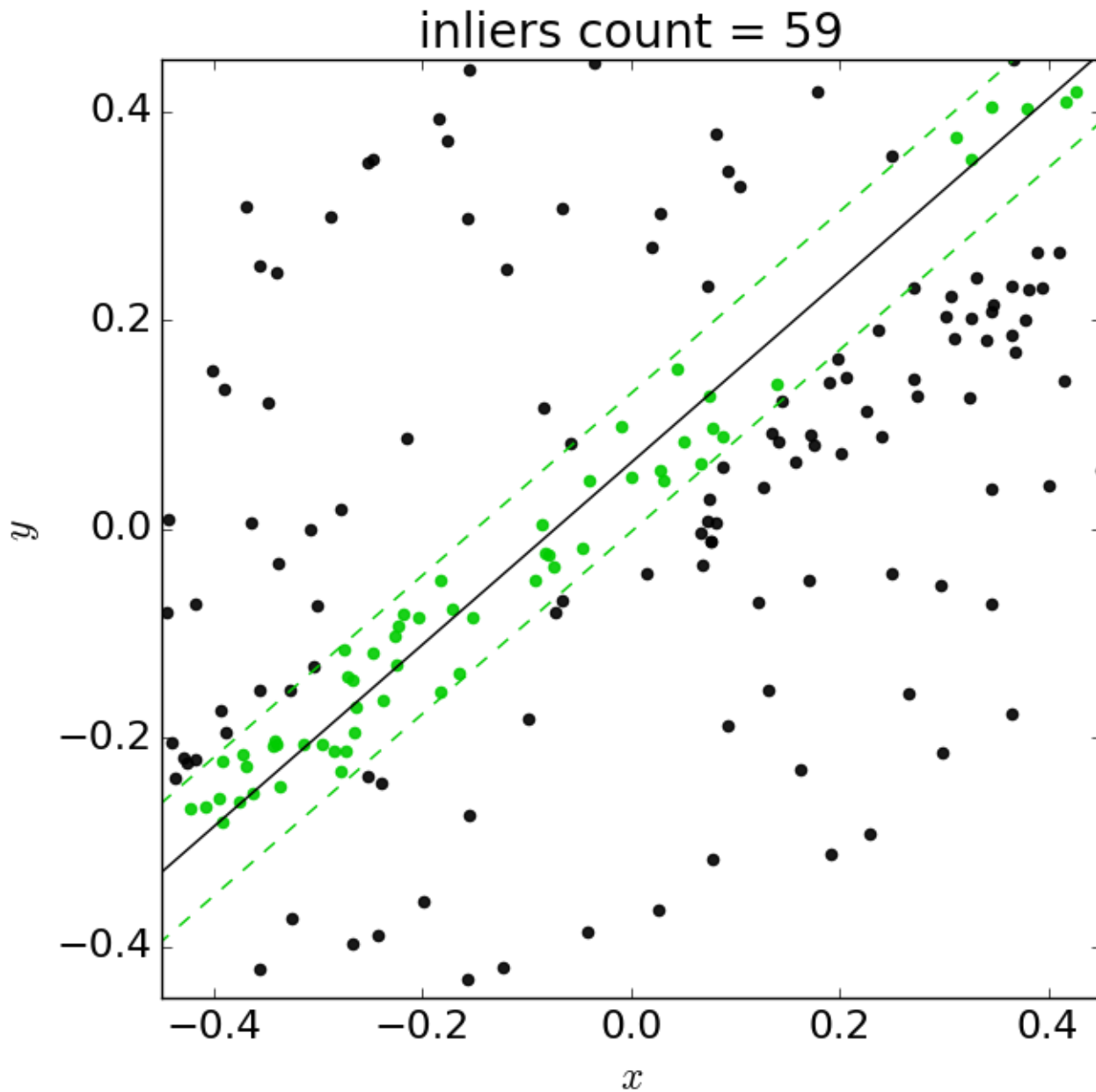
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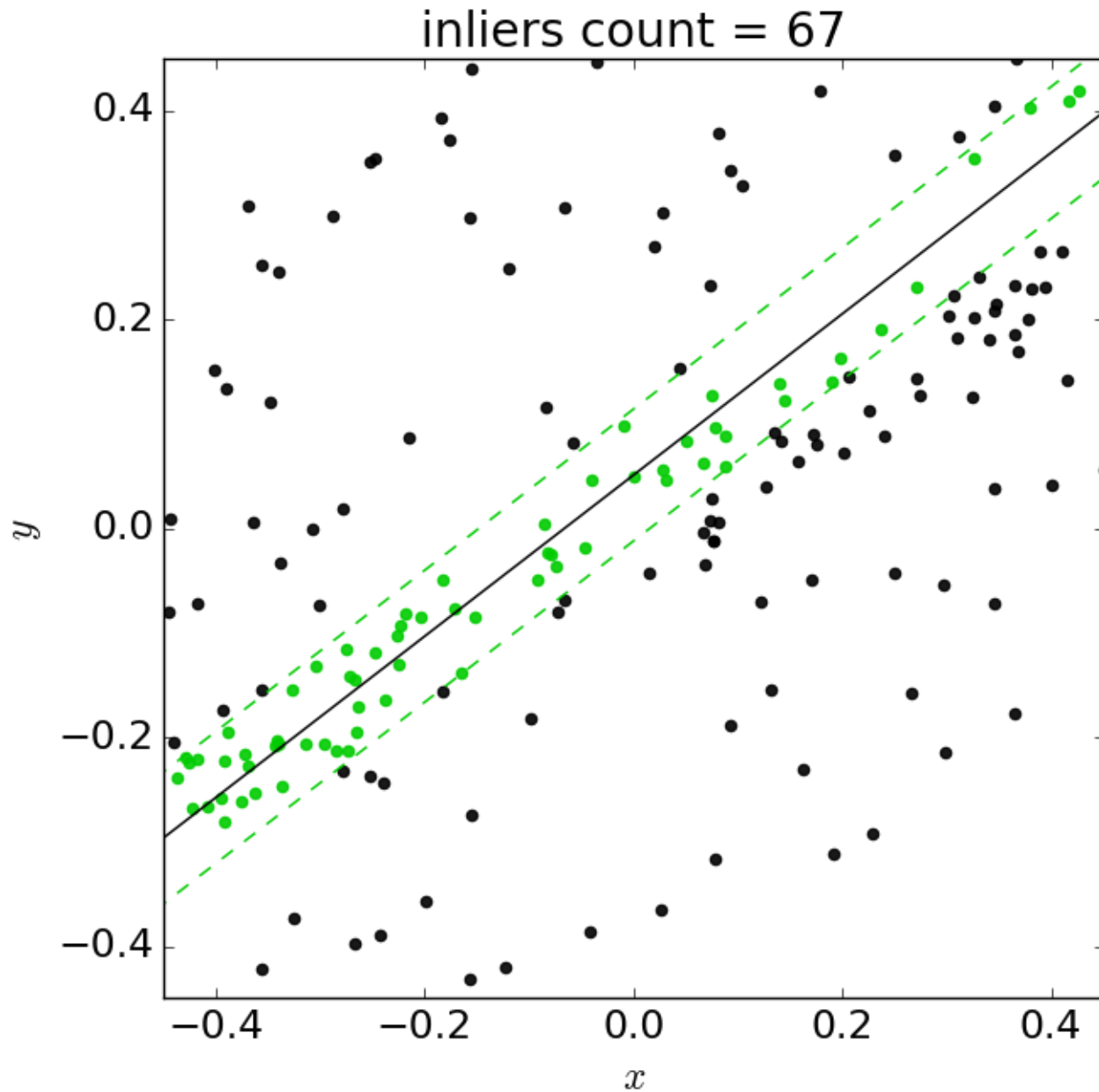


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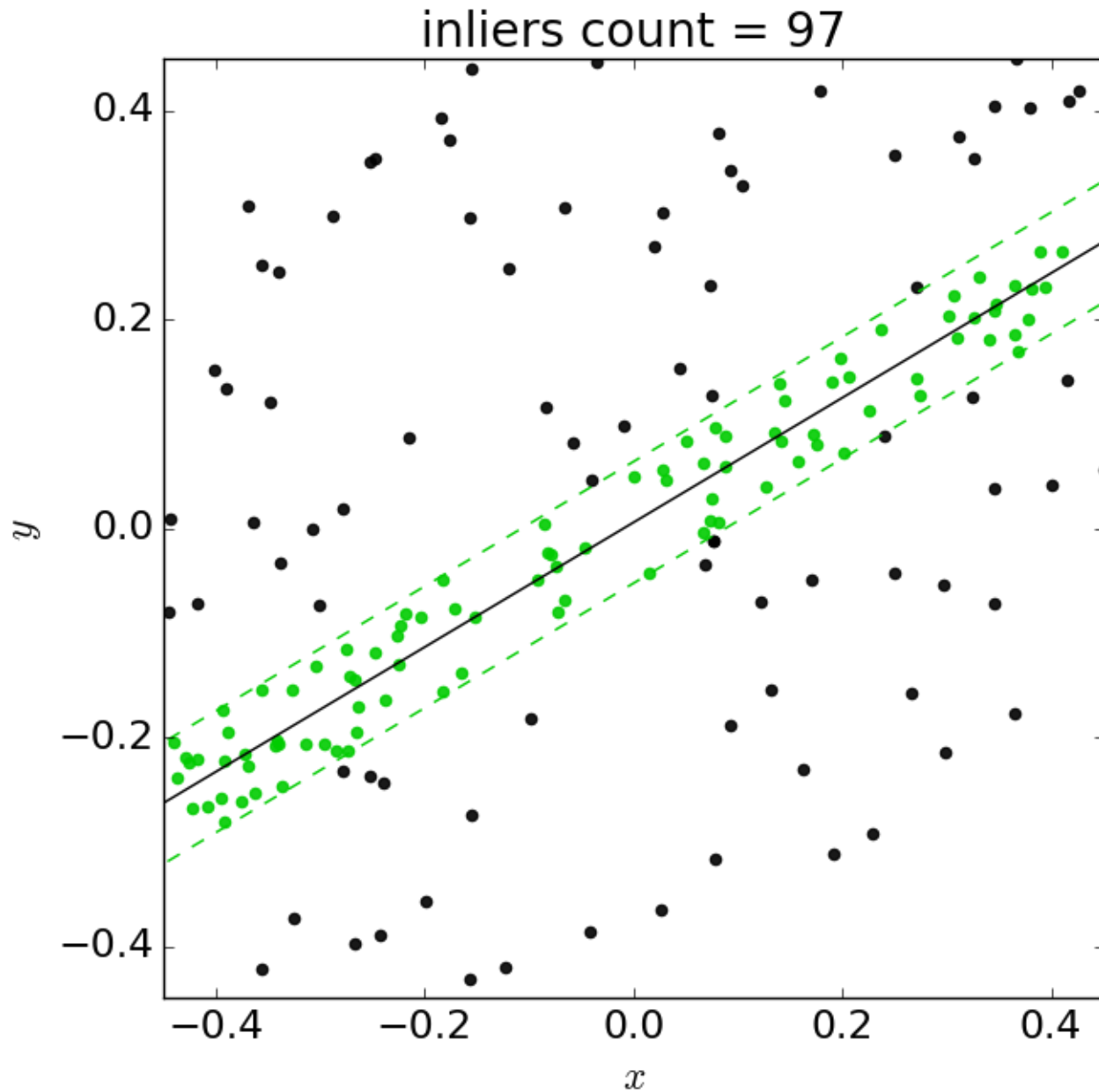
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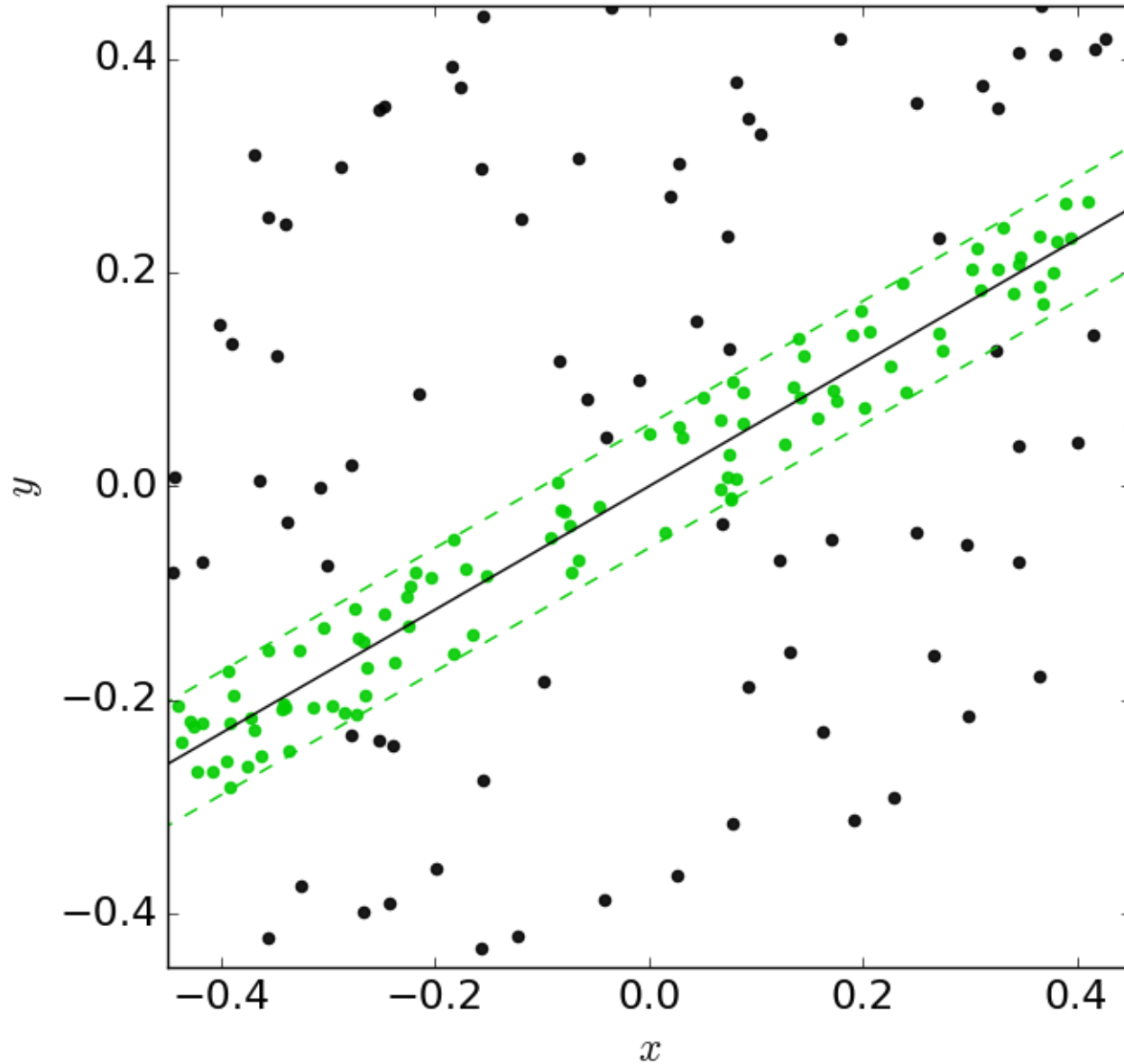
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Iteration 15

# LO-RANSAC: Example

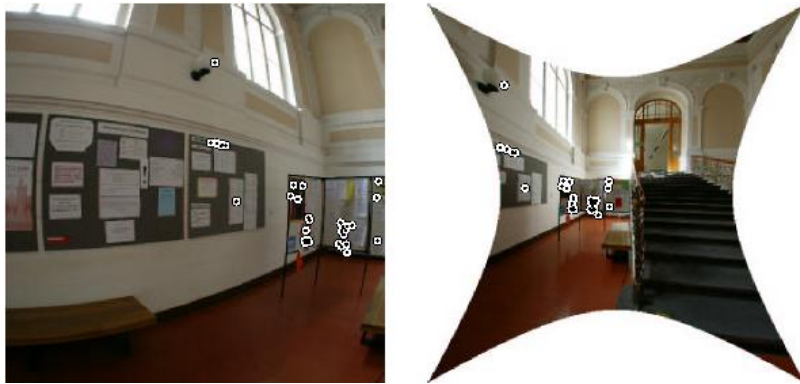
Comparison with model (100 inliers):



# Locally Optimized RANSAC

Estimation of (approximate) models with lower complexity (less data points in the sample) followed by LO step estimating the desired model speeds the estimation up significantly.

The estimation of epipolar geometry is up to 10000 times faster when using 3 region-to-region correspondences rather than 7 point-to-point correspondences.



Fish-eye images by Braňo Mičušík

Simultaneous estimation of radial distortion and epipolar geometry with LO is superior to the state-of-the-art in both speed and precision of the model.

It was observed experimentally that RANSAC takes several times longer than theoretically expected. This is due to the noise – not every all-inlier sample generates a good hypothesis.

By applying local optimization (LO) to the-best-so-far hypotheses:

- (i) a near perfect agreement with theoretical performance
- (ii) lower sensitivity to noise and poor conditioning.

The LO is shown to be executed so rarely,  $\log(\textit{iter})$  times, that it has minimal impact on the execution time.



# RANSAC – Time Complexity

Repeat  $k$  times ( $k$  is a function of sample size  $m$ , number of inliers  $Q$ , number of data  $N$ , and confidence  $\eta$ )

## 1. Hypothesis generation

- Select a sample of  $m$  data points
- Calculate parameters of the model(s)

## 2. Model verification

- Find the support (consensus set) by verifying all  $N$  data points

$t_M$  – time needed to draw a sample

$\bar{m}_s$  – average number of models per sample

## Running time:

$$t = k(t_M + \bar{m}_s N)$$

*Note 1:* unit of time = time to evaluate 1 point ( $\Rightarrow$  evaluating  $N$  points takes time  $N$ ).

*Note 2:* number of models per sample for our toy, line fitting example, is equal to 1. Some tasks (e.g. epipolar geometry estimation) generate different number of solutions (models) per sample, depending on the sample data. 7-point algorithm, for example, generates up to 3 models.

Repeat until termination condition is met:

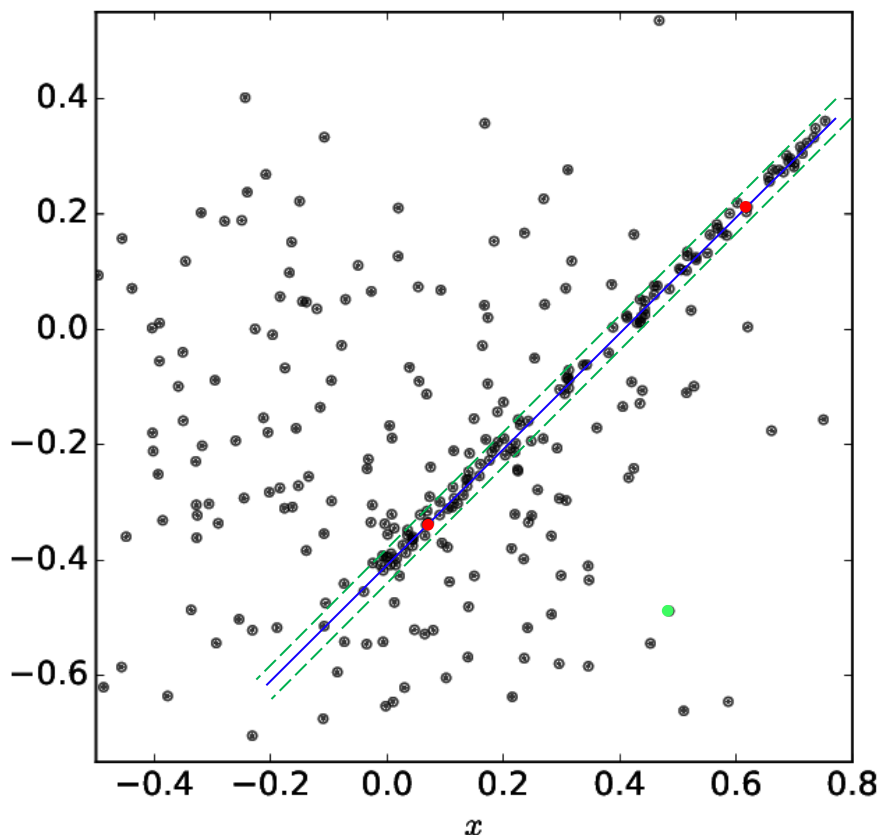
1. Hypothesis generation (as before)

2a. Model pre-verification  $T_{d,d}$  test:

Evaluate  $d \ll N$  data points, reject the model if not all  $d$  data points are consistent with the model

2b. Model verification

Verify the rest of the data points if pre-verification test was successful



Example ( $d=1$ )

1. Generate a model (sample 2 points)

2a. Sample another point ●

Does it fall within threshold?

No. Go to 1.

Repeat until termination condition is met:

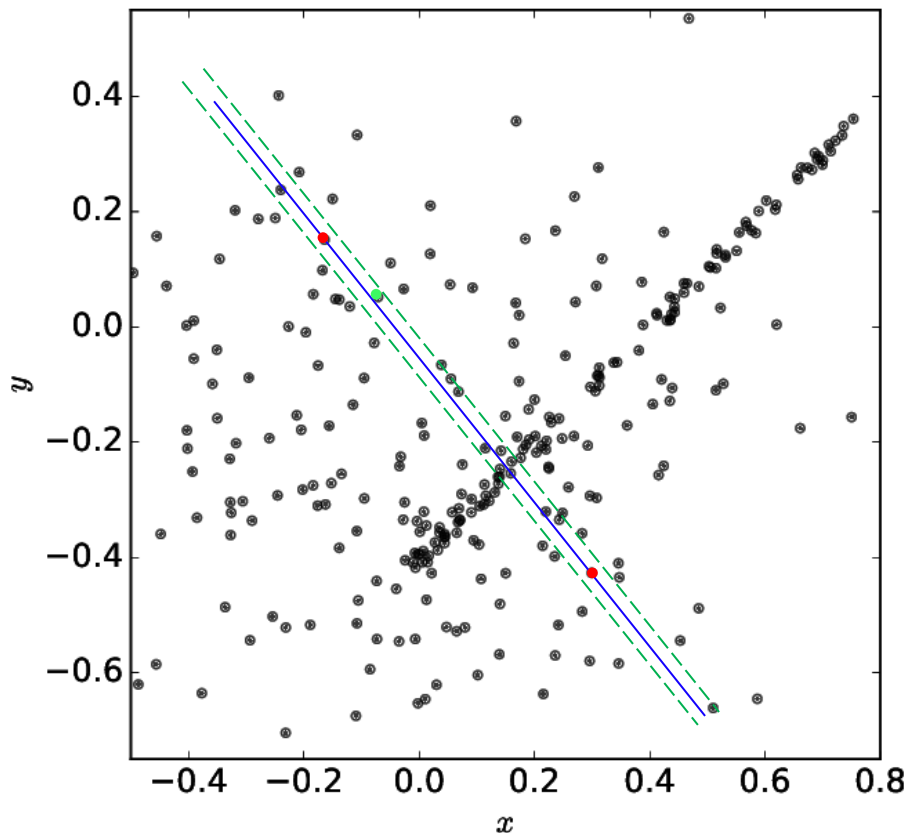
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2a. Sample another point ●

Does it fall within threshold?

Yes.

2b. Verify all other points.

# R-RANSAC Example, Running Time Analysis

Find a line in 2D points.  $N=10k$ ,  $\epsilon = 0.1$  (10% inliers.)

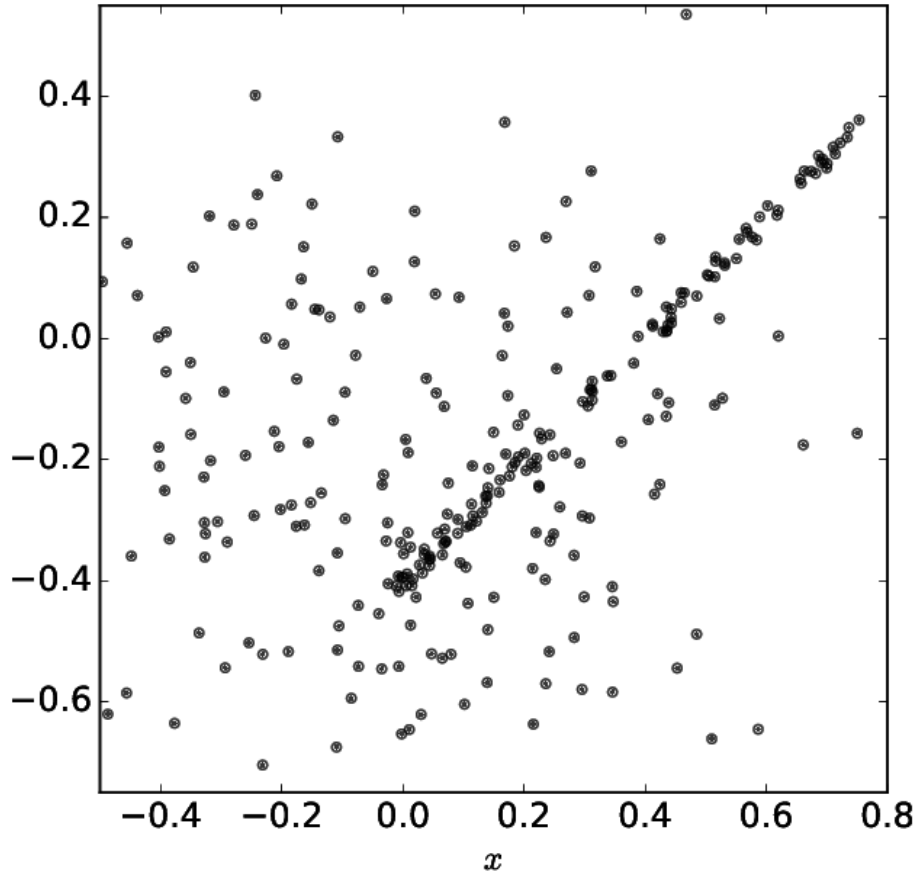
## RANSAC:

Probability of selecting 2 'good' points is  $\epsilon^2$ .

Average number of samples to find a good model is  $1/\epsilon^2 = 100$ .

For each model,  $N$  points are verified.

Total number of evaluations is  $100N = \mathbf{1M}$



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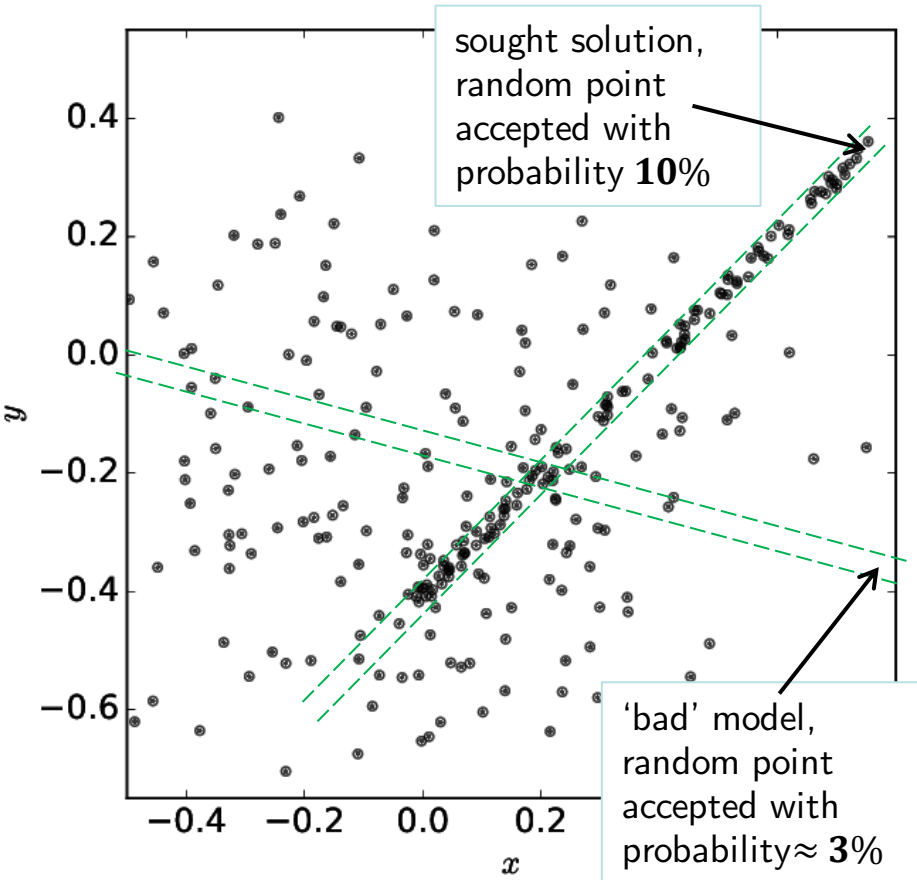
**R-RANSAC** ( $d=1$ ):

Probability of selecting 2 'good' points is  $\epsilon^2$ .

Probability of selecting inlier point for pre-verification is  $\epsilon$ .

Average number of samples to find a good model is  $1/\epsilon^3 = 1000$ .

Probability of a random point passing pre-verification test for a 'bad' model is  $\delta = 0.03$



In 1000 samples:

$1000 \cdot \epsilon^2 = 10$  'good' models

$10 \cdot \epsilon = 1$  passes pre-verification

$10 \cdot (1 - \epsilon) = 9$  fails pre-verification

$1000 \cdot (1 - \epsilon^2) = 990$  'bad' models

$990 \cdot \delta = 30$  passes pre-verification

$990 \cdot (1 - \delta) = 960$  fails pre-verification

Total number of evaluations, on average:

$1N$  (good model, point accepted)

+ 9 (good model, point rejected)

+  $30N$  (bad model, point accepted)

+ 960 (bad model, point rejected)

$\approx$  **311k**

# R-RANSAC Example, Running Time Analysis

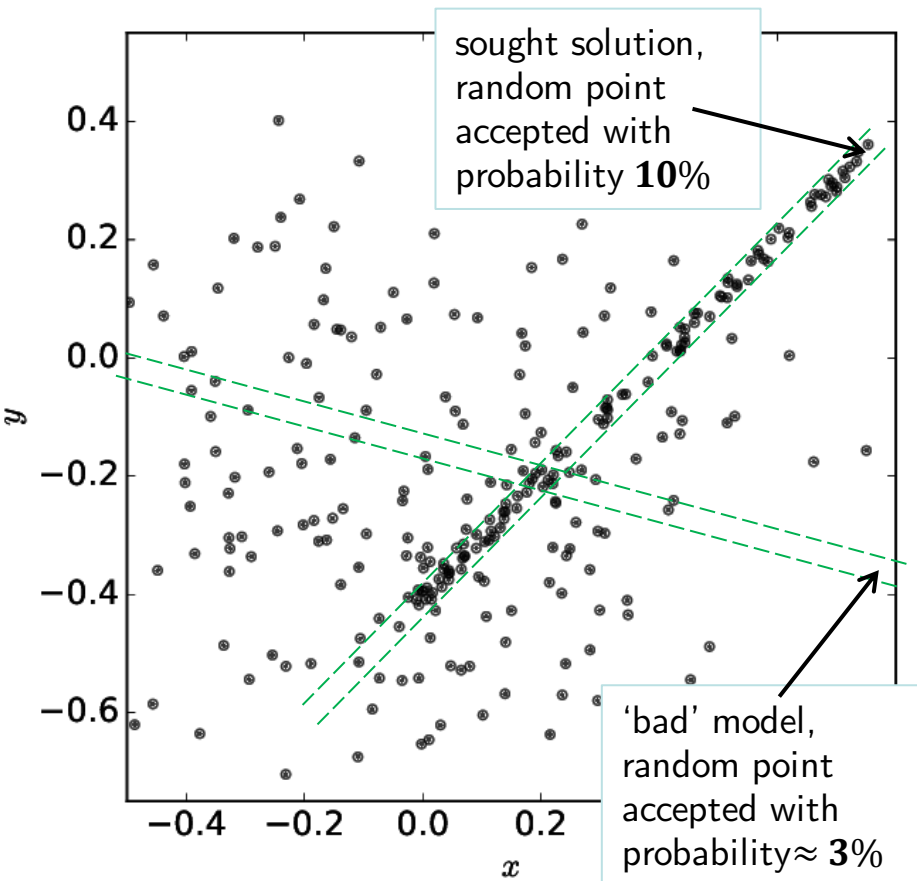
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**R-RANSAC** ( $d=2$ ):

Probability of selecting 2 'good' points is  $\epsilon^2$ .

Probability of selecting 2 inlier points for pre-verification is  $\epsilon^2$ .

Average number of samples to find a good model is  $1/\epsilon^4 = 10000$ .



In 10000 samples:

$10000 \cdot \epsilon^2 = 100$  'good' models

$100 \cdot \epsilon^2 = 1$  passes pre-verification

$100 \cdot (1 - \epsilon) = 99$  fails pre-verification

$10000 \cdot (1 - \epsilon^2) = 9900$  'bad' models

$9900 \cdot \delta^2 = 9$  passes pre-verification

$990 \cdot (1 - \delta^2) = 9891$  fails pre-verification

Total number of evaluations, on average:

$1N$  (good model, 2 points accepted)

+  $99 \cdot 2$  (good model, point(s) rejected)

+  $9N$  (bad model, 2 points accepted)

+  $9891 \cdot 2$  (bad model, point rejected)

$\approx$  **120k**

Note: For this case,  $d=2$  is optimal (fastest) <sup>46</sup>

# Randomised RANSAC (R-RANSAC) [Matas, Chum 02]



Speeds up RANSAC; “Randomised” stands for *randomised verification*

**Running time** (RANSAC  $\rightarrow$  R-RANSAC):

$$t = k(t_M + \bar{m}_s N) \rightarrow t = \frac{k}{1 - \alpha}(t_M + \bar{m}_s V)$$

$V$  - average number of data points verified

$\alpha$  - probability that a good model is rejected by  $T_{d,d}$  test

$k$  - *number of samples* (function of sample size, inlier ratio and confidence)

# Optimal Randomised Strategy



Model Verification employing Sequential Decision Making

$$H_g: P(x_i = 1|H_g) \geq \varepsilon$$

$$H_b: P(x_i = 1|H_b) = \delta$$

$x_i = 1$      $x_i$  is consistent with the model

where

$H_g$  - hypothesis of a 'good' model ( $\approx$  from an uncontaminated sample)

$H_b$  - hypothesis of a 'bad' model ( $\approx$  from a contaminated sample)

$\delta$  - probability of a data point being consistent with an arbitrary model

Optimal (the fastest) test that ensures with probability  $\alpha$  that that  $H_g$  is not incorrectly rejected is the Sequential probability ratio test (SPRT) [Wald47]



# SPRT [simplified from Wald 47]



Likelihood ratio 
$$\lambda_i = \prod_{j=1}^i \frac{P(x_j|H_b)}{P(x_j|H_g)}$$

Set (compute) threshold  $A$ . Set  $j=1$

1. Select a point and check whether it is consistent with model
2. Update likelihood ratio
3. If  $\lambda_j > A$  decide the model is 'bad', else increment  $j$
4. If  $j > N$  (total number of points) decide model is 'good', else go to 1.

Properties of SPRT:

1. probability of rejecting a "good" model  $\alpha < 1/A$
2. average number of verifications  $V = C \log(A)$

$$C \approx \left( P(0|H_b) \log \frac{P(0|H_b)}{P(0|H_g)} + P(1|H_b) \log \frac{P(1|H_b)}{P(1|H_g)} \right)^{-1}$$

$$C \approx \left( (1 - \delta) \log \frac{1 - \delta}{1 - \varepsilon} + \delta \log \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} \right)^{-1}$$

Probability of rejecting a “good” model  $\alpha=1/A$

$$\lambda_i = \prod_{j=1}^i \frac{P(x_j|H_b)}{P(x_j|H_g)} = \frac{P(x|H_b)}{P(x|H_g)}, x = (x_1, \dots, x_i)$$

If  $\lambda_i > A$  then  $P(x|H_g) < P(x|H_b)/A$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \int_{\lambda_i > A} P(x|H_g) dx < \int_{\lambda_i > A} P(x|H_b)/A dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{A} \int_{\lambda_i > A} P(x|H_b) dx \leq \frac{1}{A} \int P(x|H_b) dx = \frac{1}{A} \end{aligned}$$

# WaldSAC

Running time

$$t(A) = \frac{k}{(1 - 1/A)}(t_M + \bar{m}_S C \log A)$$

In sequential statistical decision problem decision errors are traded off for time. These are two incomparable quantities, hence the constrained optimization.

In WaldSAC, decision errors cost time (more samples) and there is a single minimised quantity, time  $t(A)$ , a function of a single parameter  $A$ .

# Optimal test (optimal A) given $\varepsilon$ and $\delta$



Optimal  $A^*$        $A^* = \arg \min_A t(A)$

Optimal  $A^*$  found by solving  $\frac{\partial t}{\partial A} = 0$

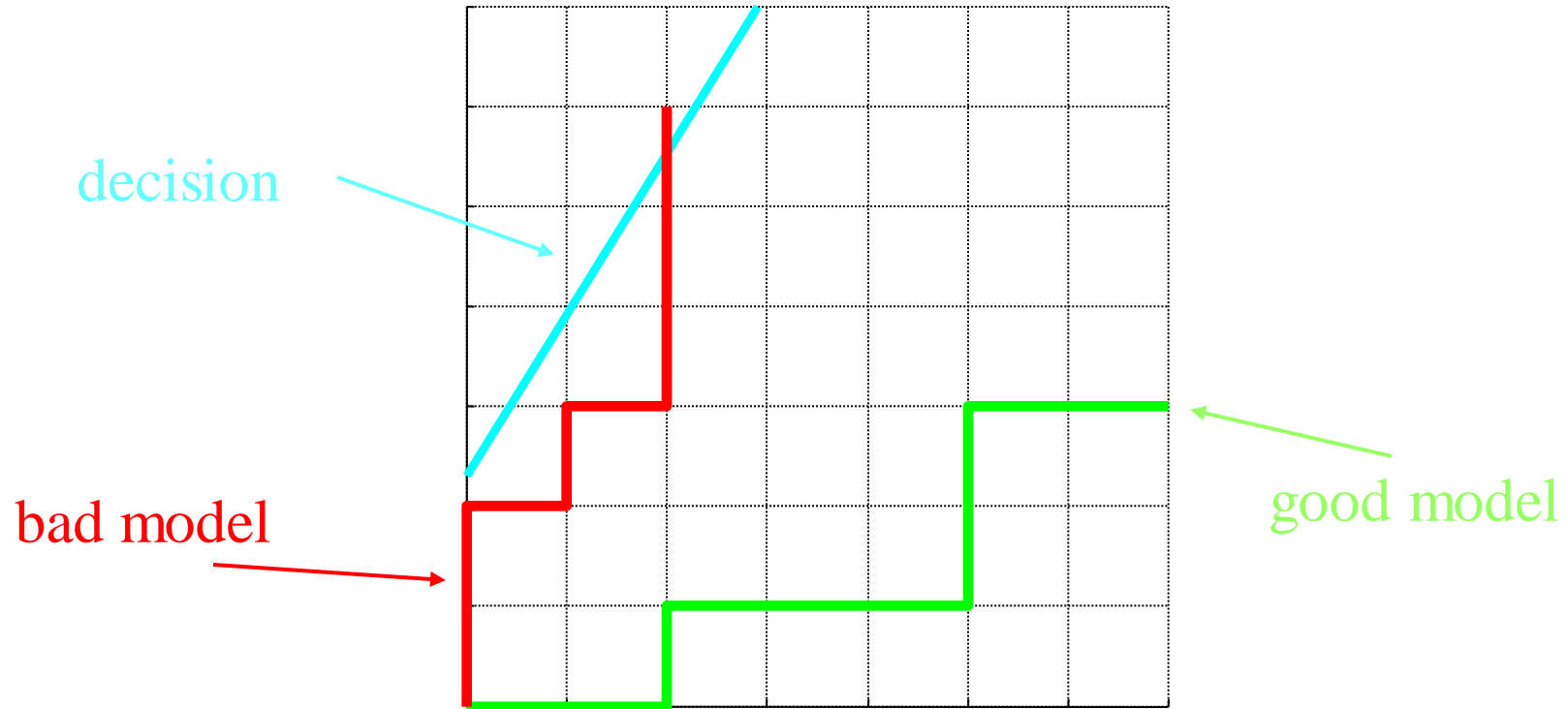
$$A^* = \frac{t_M}{\bar{m}_s C} + 1 + \log A^*$$

$$A^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$$

Computed in several iterations:

$$A_0 = \frac{t_M}{\bar{m}_s C} + 1, \quad A_{n+1} = \frac{t_M}{\bar{m}_s C} + 1 + \log A_n$$

# SPRT



Note: the Wald's test is equivalent to series of  $T(d, c)$ , where  $c = \lceil (\log A - d \log \lambda_1) / \log \lambda_0 \rceil$

# Exp. 1: Wide-baseline matching



	samples	models	V	time	spd-up
R	2914	7347	110.0	1099504	1.0
R-R	7825	19737	3.0	841983	1.3
Wald	3426	8648	8.2	413227	2.7

# Exp. 2 Narrow-baseline stereo

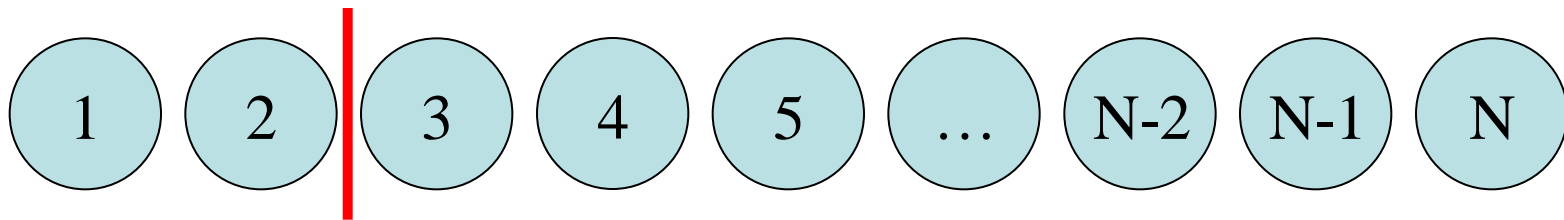


	samples	models	V	time	spd-up
R	155	367	600.0	235904	1.0
R-R	247	587	86.6	75539	3.1
Wald	162	384	23.1	25032	9.4

- The same confidence  $\eta$  in the solution reached faster (data dependent,  $\approx 10x$ )
- No change in the character of the algorithm, it was randomised anyway.
- Optimal strategy derived using Wald's theory for known  $\varepsilon$  and  $\delta$ .
- Results with  $\varepsilon$  **and**  $\delta$  estimated during the course of RANSAC are not significantly different. Performance of SPRT is insensitive to errors in the estimate.
- $\delta$  can be learnt, an initial estimate can be obtained by geometric consideration
- Lower bound on  $e$  is given by the best-so-far support

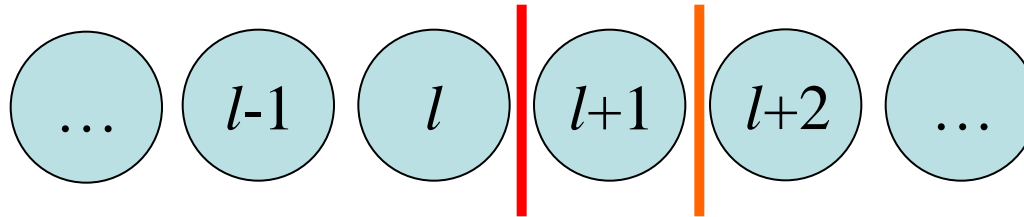


- Not all correspondences are created equally
- Some are better than others
- Sample from the best candidates first



Sample from here

# PROSAC Samples



Draw  $T_l$  samples from  $(1 \dots l)$

Draw  $T_{l+1}$  samples from  $(1 \dots l+1)$

Samples from  $(1 \dots l)$  that are not from  $(1 \dots l+1)$  contain

$l+1$

Draw  $T_{l+1} - T_l$  samples of size  $m-1$  and add

$l+1$

# Degenerate Configurations

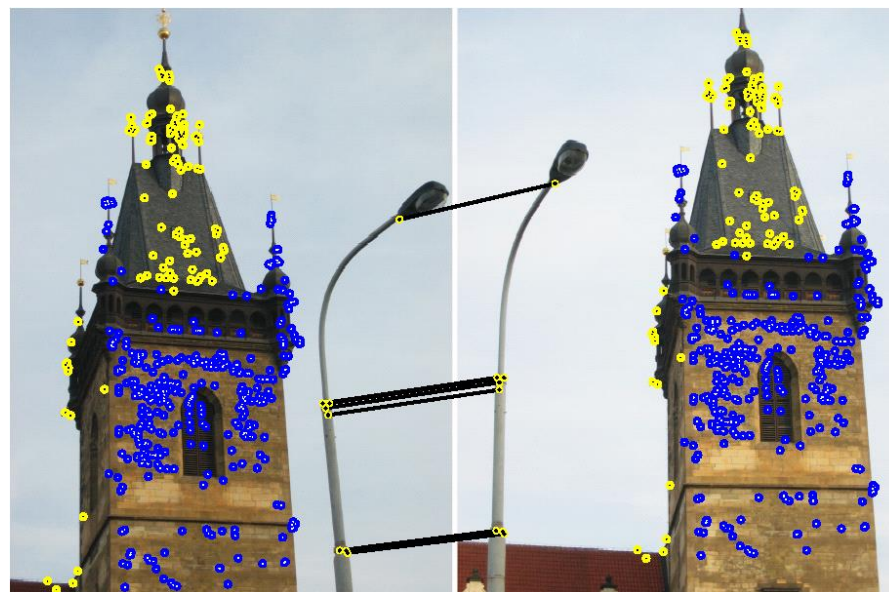


The presence of degenerate configuration causes RANSAC to fail in estimating a correct model, instead a model consistent with the degenerate configuration and some outliers is found.

The DEGENSAC algorithm handles scenes with:

- all points in a single plane
- majority of the points in a single plane and the rest off the plane
- no dominant plane present

No a-priori knowledge of the type of the scene is required



**Input:**  $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}_j\}_{j=1}^N$

$e(S) = \theta$  estimates model parameters  $\theta$ , given sample  $S \subseteq \mathcal{X}$

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \theta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if distance to model} \leq \text{threshold} \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**Output:**  $\theta^*$  parameter of the model minimizing the cost function

1.  $iter = 0, J^* = \infty$

2. **repeat**

3. Select random  $S \subseteq \mathcal{X}$  (sample size  $m = |S|$ )

4. Estimate parameter  $\theta = e(S)$

5. Evaluate  $J(\theta) = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} f(\mathbf{x}, \theta)$

6. If  $J(\theta) < J^*$  then

7.  $\theta^*, \mathcal{L}^* \leftarrow \arg \min_{\theta, \mathcal{L}} \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} f(\mathbf{x}, \theta) + \lambda \sum_{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathcal{A}} [\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}) \neq \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{y})]$

8.  $J^* \leftarrow J(\theta^*)$

9.  $iter \leftarrow iter + 1$

10. **until**  $P(\text{better solution exists}) = f(|\mathcal{X}|, J^*, iter) < \mu$

Run graph-cut, if a so-far-the-best solution is found.

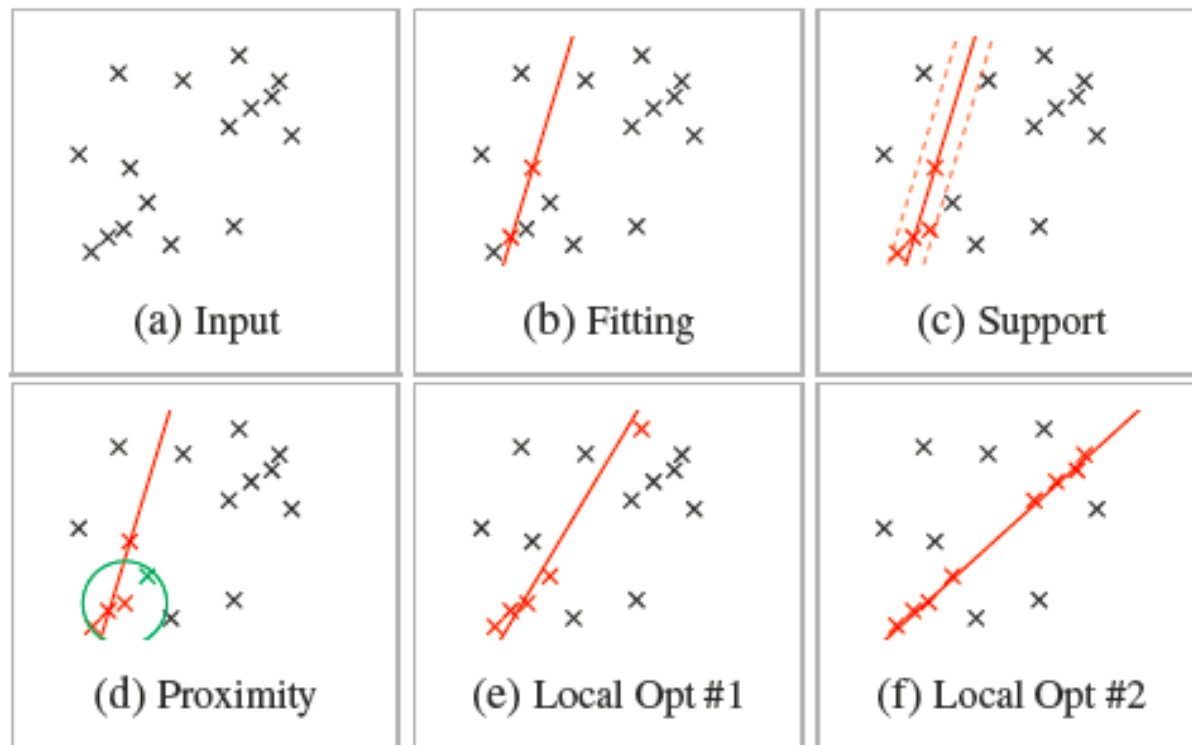


Figure 1: The proposed graph-cut based local optimization converging from a “not-all-inlier” sample, i.e. it is contaminated by an outlier, to the desired model. (a) The input data points, (b) RANSAC-like sampling and model fitting, (c) computation of model support, e.g. counting the inliers, (d) considering spatial proximity by graph-cut, (e-f) iterated local optimization using least-squares fitting and graph-cut.

# GC-RANSAC



			Min. 60 FPS with 99% confidence					Confidence 95%				
			PLAIN	LO	LO <sup>+</sup>	LO'	GC	PLAIN	LO	LO <sup>+</sup>	LO'	GC
kusvod2	F, #24	LO	-	2	2	2	1 (3)	-	1	1	1	2 (3)
		Error (px)	5.01	4.95	4.97	5.02	<b>4.65</b>	5.18	5.08	5.03	5.22	<b>4.69</b>
		Time (ms)	6.17	6.09	6.26	5.85	<b>4.58</b>	4.94	5.19	5.14	4.86	<b>3.64</b>
		Samples	117.00	96.00	99.00	111.00	<b>70.00</b>	93.00	76.00	78.00	87.00	<b>53.00</b>
Adelaide	F, #19	LO	-	2	2	2	1 (3)	-	2	2	3	2 (4)
		Error (px)	0.55	0.53	0.52	0.55	<b>0.50</b>	0.44	0.45	<b>0.43</b>	0.44	<b>0.43</b>
		Time (ms)	14.20	14.83	14.85	<b>14.13</b>	18.94	262.73	<b>194.18</b>	210.85	237.09	227.12
		Samples	124.00	<b>113.00</b>	<b>113.00</b>	122.00	116.00	1363.00	1126.00	1205.00	1305.00	<b>1115.00</b>
Multi-H	F, #4	LO	-	1	1	1	1 (3)	-	2	1	2	1 (3)
		Error (px)	0.35	0.34	0.34	0.34	<b>0.32</b>	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.34	<b>0.32</b>
		Time (ms)	<b>10.34</b>	11.53	11.11	<b>10.34</b>	14.64	12.81	15.11	14.11	<b>12.37</b>	36.01
		Samples	83.00	76.00	76.00	82.00	<b>74.00</b>	107.00	89.00	90.00	100.00	<b>78.00</b>
EVD	H, #15	LO	-	2	2	2	2 (2)	-	4	4	4	3 (6)
		Error (px)	1.53	1.63	<b>1.51</b>	1.58	1.53	0.96	0.95	0.95	0.96	<b>0.92</b>
		Time (ms)	16.84	18.34	18.04	<b>16.82</b>	19.19	247.25	248.01	251.31	<b>246.95</b>	249.89
		Samples	320.00	<b>298.00</b>	301.00	318.00	301.00	4303.00	<b>4203.00</b>	4248.00	4291.00	4204.00
homogr	H, #16	LO	-	2	2	2	1 (3)	-	2	2	2	1 (4)
		Error (px)	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.53	<b>0.51</b>	0.50	0.50	0.49	0.50	<b>0.47</b>
		Time (ms)	7.13	10.37	9.83	<b>7.10</b>	7.56	17.10	10.09	9.89	8.52	<b>7.94</b>
		Samples	193.00	175.00	175.00	189.00	<b>159.00</b>	450.00	212.00	214.00	226.00	<b>165.00</b>
avg.	#78	LO	-	2	2	2	1 (3)	-	2	2	2	2 (3)
		Error (px)	2.10	2.09	2.07	2.11	<b>1.96</b>	1.98	1.95	1.93	2.00	<b>1.81</b>
		Time (ms)	10.59	11.73	11.60	<b>10.46</b>	12.01	115.90	<b>98.36</b>	102.88	107.89	107.06
		Samples	171.00	154.00	156.00	168.00	<b>144.00</b>	1286.00	1154.00	1183.00	1224.00	<b>1134.00</b>

# GC RANSAC - Speed

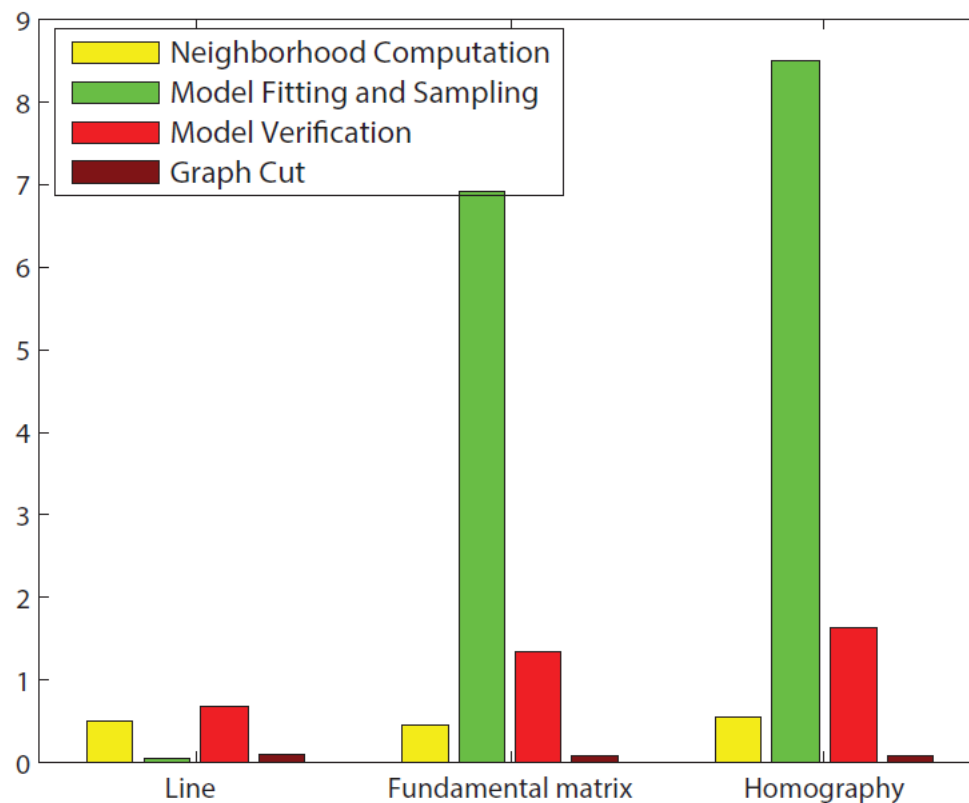


Figure 7: The breakdown of the processing times in milliseconds. Computed as the mean of all tests. *Best viewed in color.*