

- **Given:** a set of *N* input-response pairs
- The inputs (x) and the responses (y) are one dimensional scalars
- **Goal:** Model the relationship between x and y

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- Linear relationship can be defined by a straight line with *parameter w*
- Equation of the straight line: y = wx

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- Just requires a little bit of calculus to find it (take derivative, equate to zero..)

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- Each  $\phi_j$  is called a basis function
  - Allows change of representation of the input x (often desired)

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• A bit of notation abuse: write  $\mathbf{w} = [b, \mathbf{w}]$ , write  $\mathbf{x}_i = [1, \mathbf{x}_i]$ 

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