Machine Learning
Lecture 1: intro to ML

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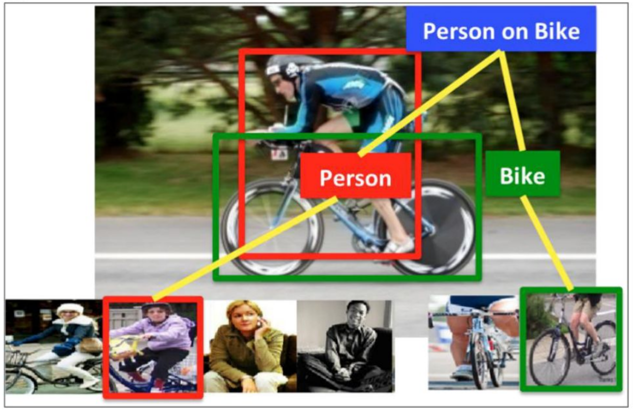
Outline

1. Introduction to Machine Learning, motivation
2. ML thesaurus and notation
3. Maximum Likelihood Estimation
4. Machine Learning problems overview (selection):
   a. Classification
   b. Regression
   c. Dimensionality reduction
5. Naïve Bayes classifier
6. k Nearest Neighbours (kNN)

Motivation, historical overview and current state of ML and AI

Machine Learning applications

- Object detection
- Action classification
- Image captioning
- …



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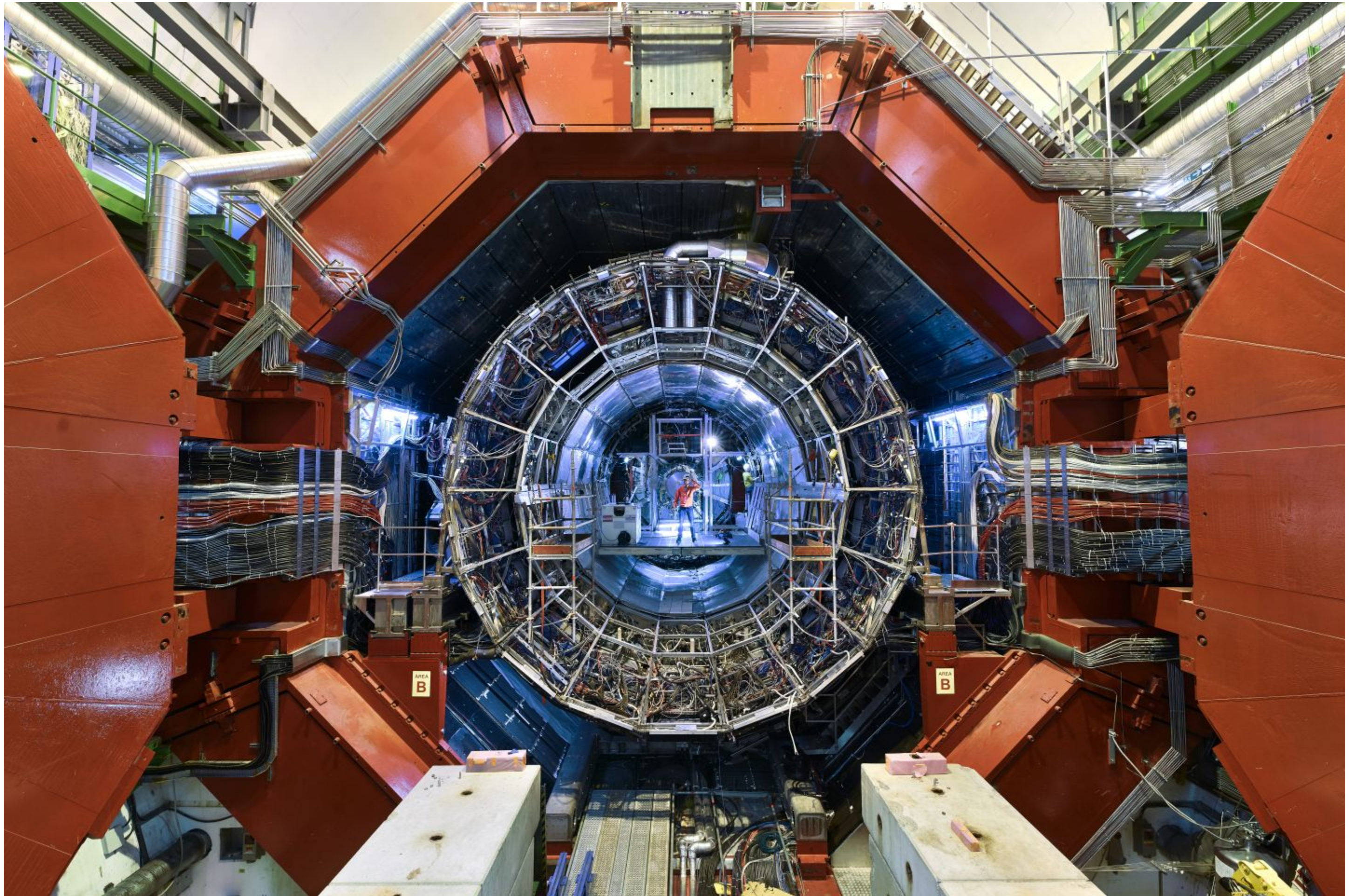
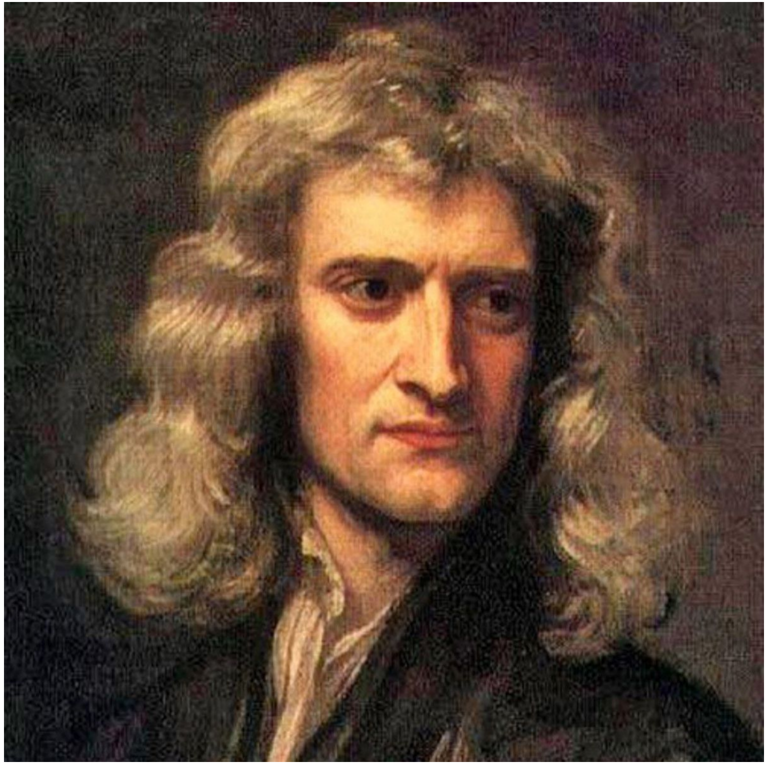


Data $\longrightarrow$ Knowledge

Long before the ML



Isaac Newton

Johannes Kepler

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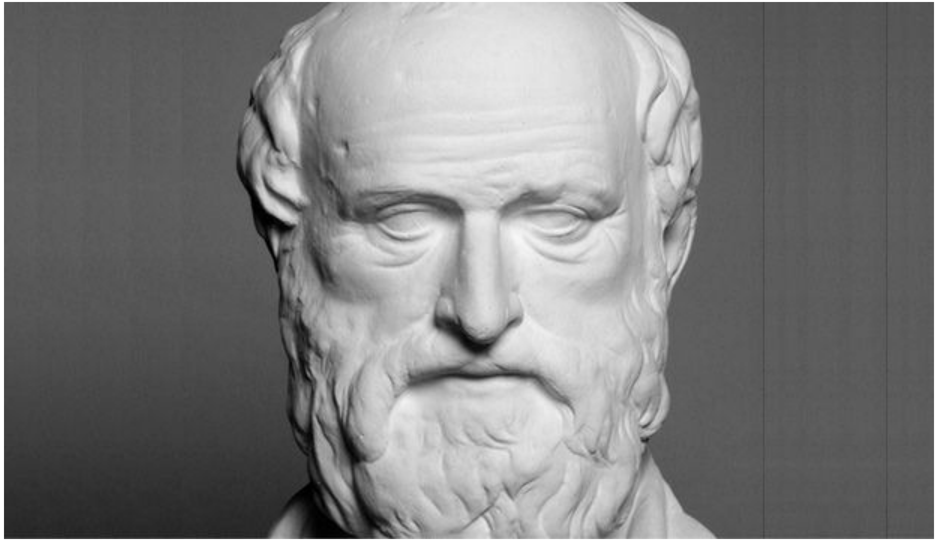

Eratosthenes

ML thesaurus

Denote the ***dataset***.

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Observation (or datum, or data point) is one piece of information.

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In many cases the observations are supposed to be ***i.i.d.***

- ***independent***
- ***identically distributed***

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Feature (or predictor) represents some special property.

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And even the name is a ***feature***

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(despite it might be not informative)

ML thesaurus

The ***design matrix*** contains all the features and observations.

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Features can even be multidimensional, we will discuss it later in this course.

ML thesaurus

Target represents the information we are interested in.

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Target can be either a ***number*** *(real, integer, etc.) – for* ***regression*** problem

ML thesaurus

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Or a ***label*** – for ***classification*** problem

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Mark can be treated as a label too (due to finite number of labels: 1 to 5). We will discuss it later.

Further we will work with the numerical target (mark)

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The ***prediction*** contains values we predicted using some ***model***.

Name	Age	Statistics (mark)	Python (mark)	Eye color	Native language	Target (mark)	Predicted (mark)
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One could notice that prediction just averages of Statistics and Python marks. So our ***model*** can be represented as follows:

$$\hat{\text{mark}}_{ML} = \frac{1}{2}\text{mark}_{Statistics} + \frac{1}{2}\text{mark}_{Python}$$

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ML thesaurus

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Different models can provide different predictions.

*Usually some **hypothesis** lies beneath the model choice.*

Loss function measures the error rate of our model.

Square deviation	Target (mark)	Predicted (mark)
16	5	1
1	4	5
9	5	2
1	5	4
1	2	3

- ***Mean Squared Error*** (where **y** is vector of targets):

$$MSE(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = \frac{1}{N}\|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\|_2^2 = \frac{1}{N}\sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

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Absolute deviation	Target (mark)	Predicted (mark)
4	5	1
1	4	5
3	5	2
1	5	4
1	2	3

- ***Mean Absolute Error*** (where **y** is vector of targets):

$$MAE(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = \frac{1}{N}\|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\|_1 = \frac{1}{N}\sum_i |y_i - \hat{y}_i|$$

ML thesaurus

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ML thesaurus

Last term we should learn for now is ***hyperparameter***.

Hyperparameter should be fixed before our model starts to work with the data.

We will discuss it later with kNN as an example.

ML thesaurus

Recap:

- Dataset
- Observation (datum)
- Feature
- Design matrix
- Target
- Prediction
- Model
- Loss function
- Parameter
- Hyperparameter

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Likelihood

Denote dataset generated by distribution with parameter θ

Likelihood function:

$$L(\theta|X,Y) = P(X,Y|\theta)$$

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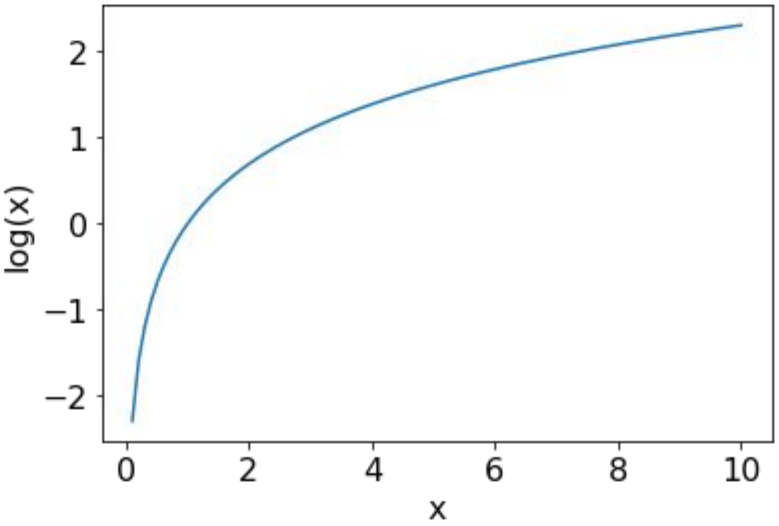

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equivalent to

$$\log L(\theta|X,Y) = \sum_i \log P(x_i, y_i|\theta) \longrightarrow \max_{\theta}$$

Machine Learning problems overview

Supervised learning problem statement

Let's denote:

- Training set $\mathcal{L} = \{\mathbf{x}_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^{n}$, where
  - $(\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p,\ y \in \mathbb{R}\ )$ for regression
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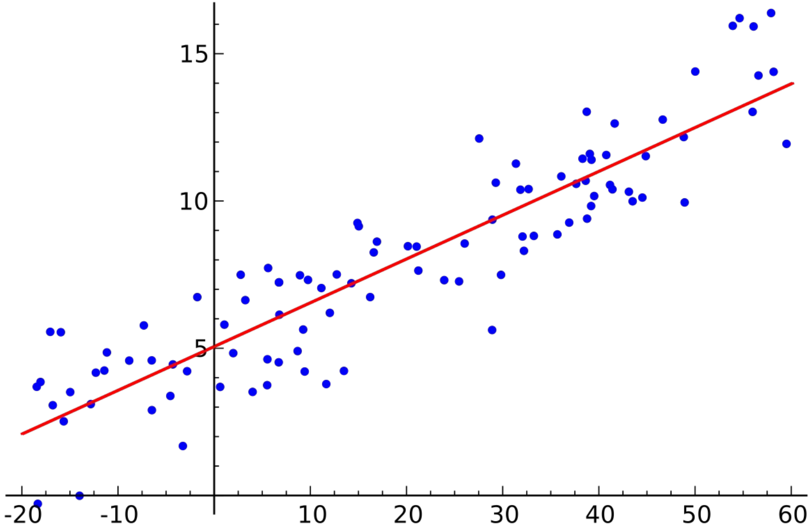
- Regression problem



Estimated (or predicted) Y value for observation i

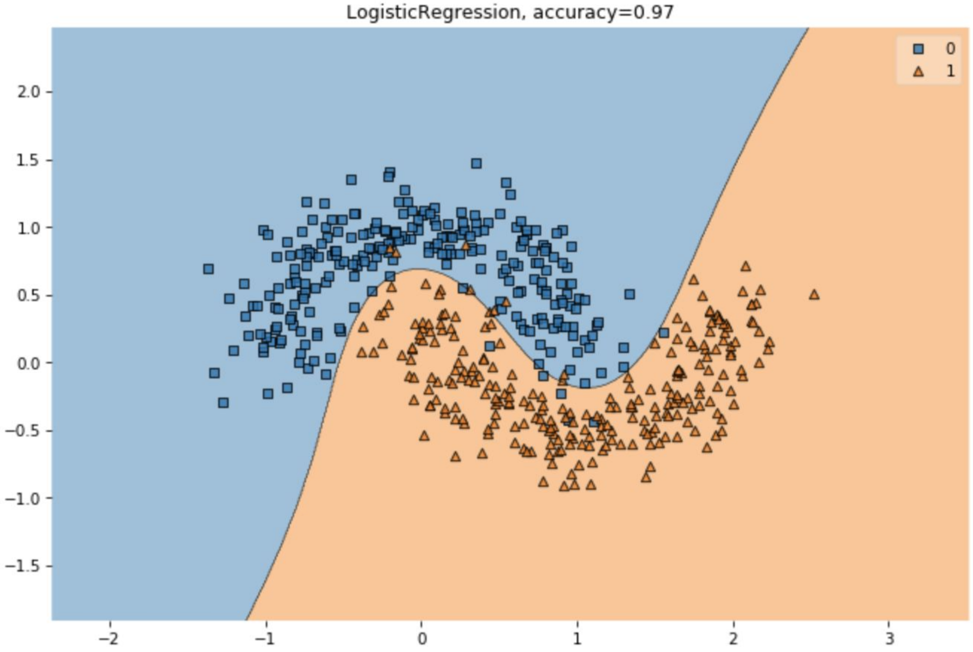
Estimate of the regression intercept

Estimate of the regression slope

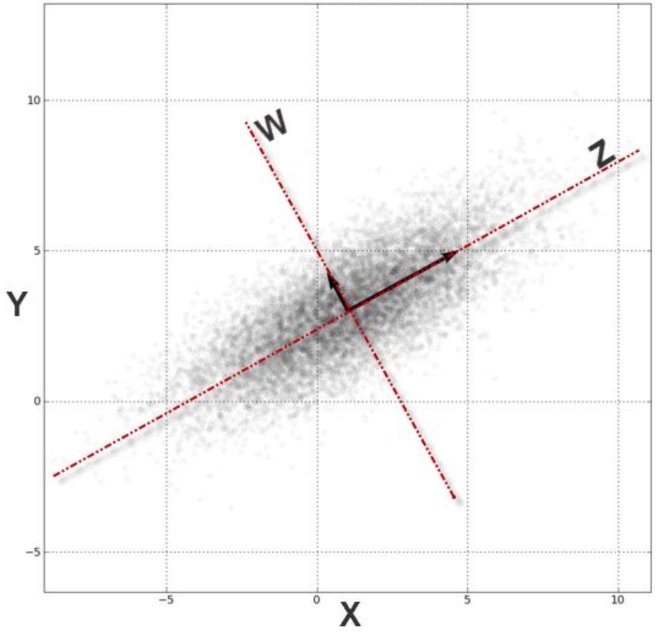
Value of X for observation i

$$\hat{Y}_i = b_0 + b_1 X_i$$

- Regression problem
- Classification problem



- Regression problem
- Classification problem
- Dimensionality reduction



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Bayes' theorem

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

or, in our case

$$P(y_i = C_k|\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{P(\mathbf{x}_i|y_i = C_k)P(y_i = C_k)}{P(\mathbf{x}_i)}$$

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Naïve assumption: features are **independent**

Naïve Bayes classifier

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Naïve Bayes classifier

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Optimal class label:

$$C^* = \arg\max_k P(y_i = C_k|\mathbf{x_i})$$

To find maximum we even do not need the denominator

But we need it to get probabilities

kNN – k Nearest Neighbors

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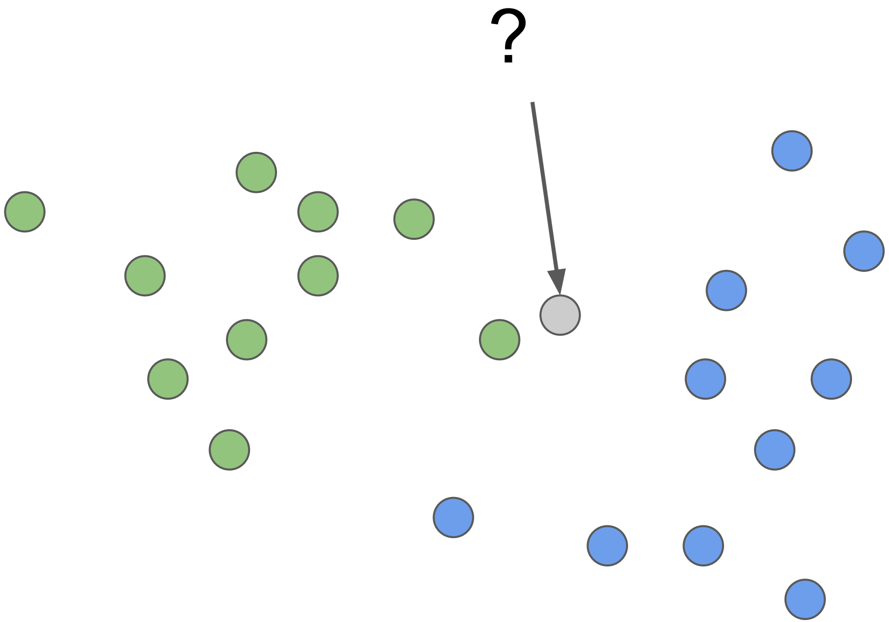

k Nearest Neighbors Method

Given a *new observation*:

1. Calculate the distance to each of the samples in the dataset.
2. Select samples from the dataset with the minimal distance to them.
3. The label of the *new observation* will be the most frequent label among those nearest neighbors.

How to make it better?

- The number of neighbors k (it is a ***hyperparameter***)

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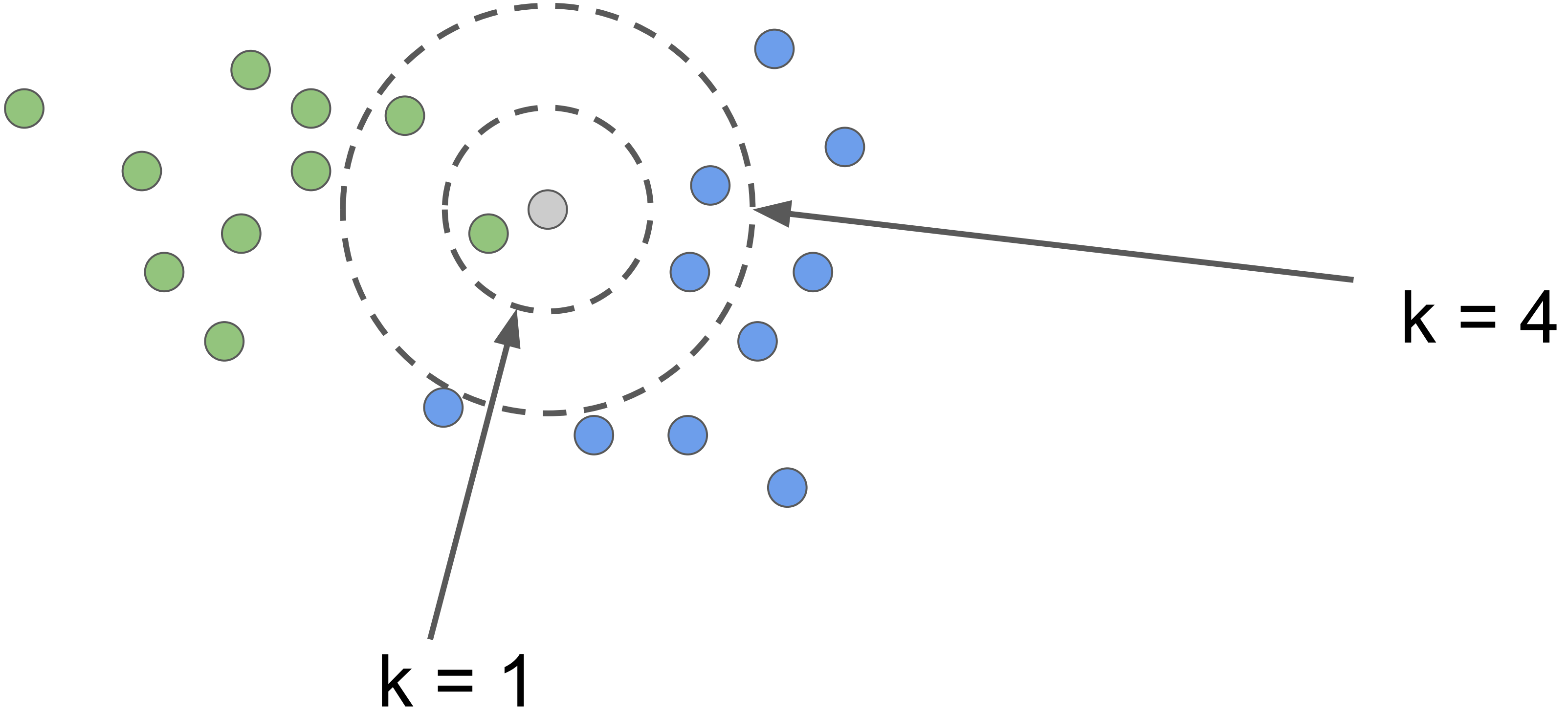

How to make it better?

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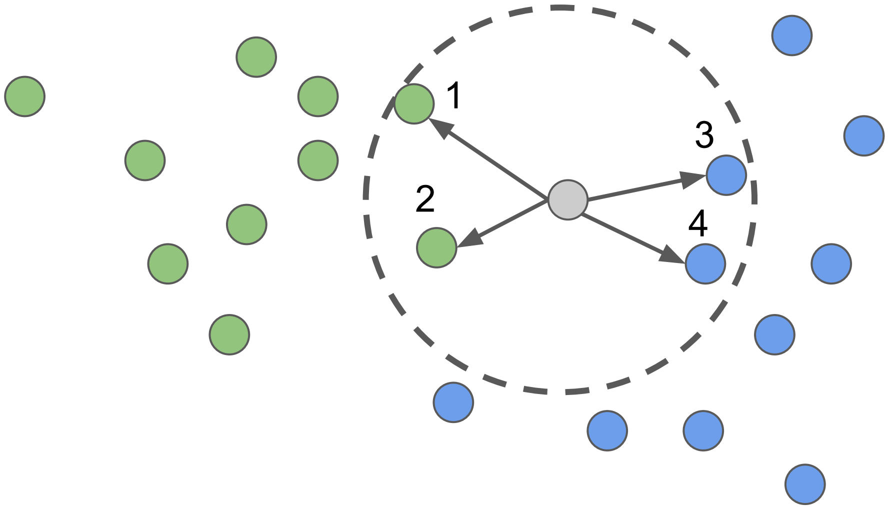
- The distance measure between samples
    a. Hamming
    b. Euclidean
    c. cosine
    d. Minkowski distances
    e. etc.
- Weighted neighbours

Weighted kNN

k = 4



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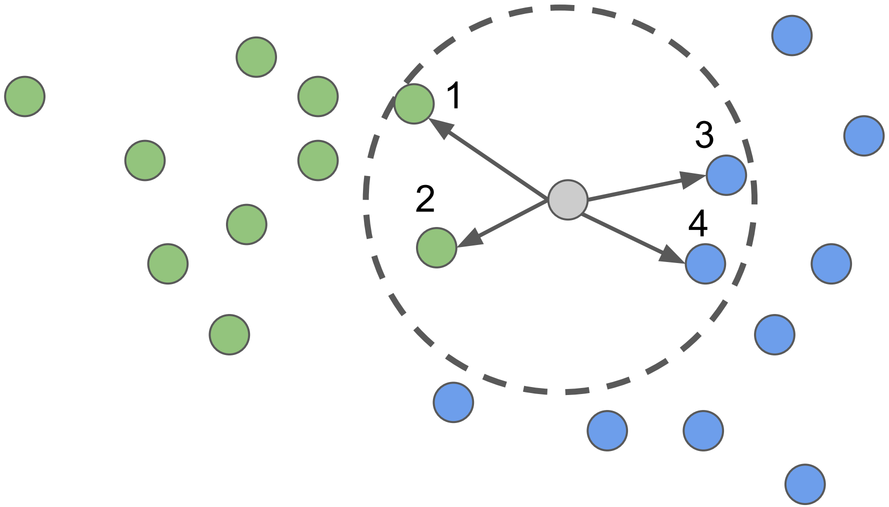

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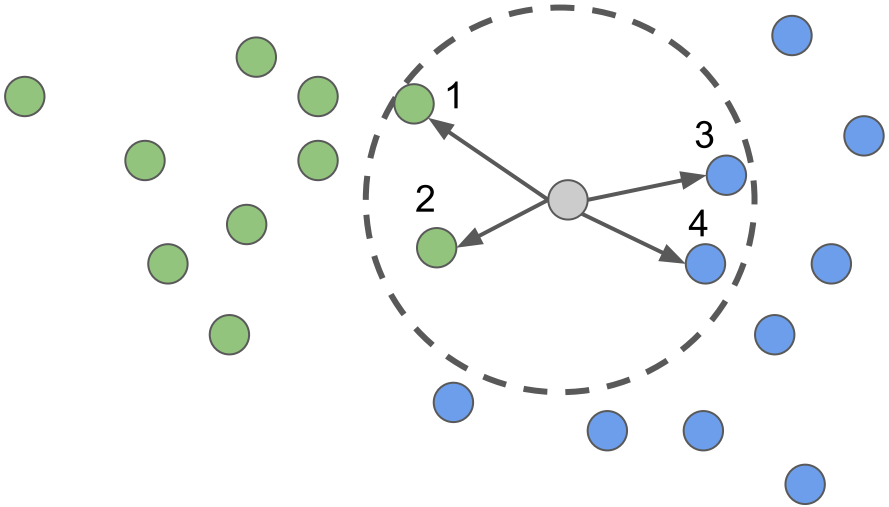

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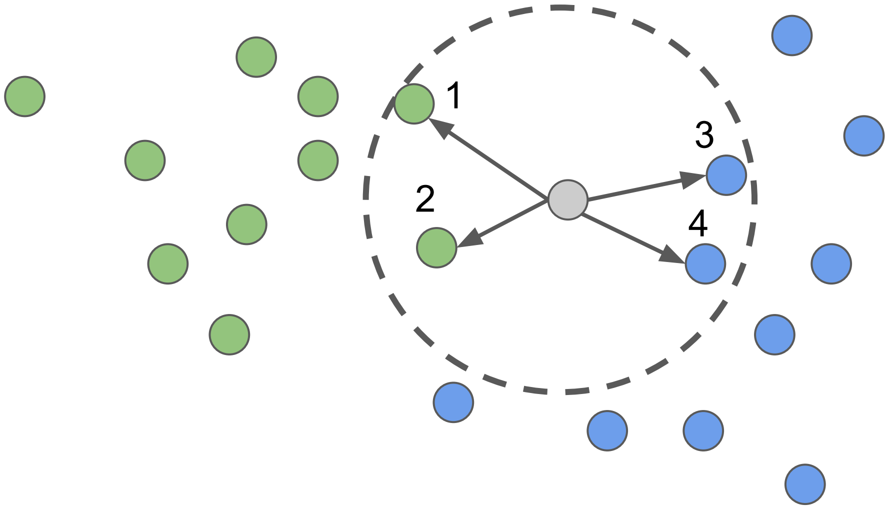

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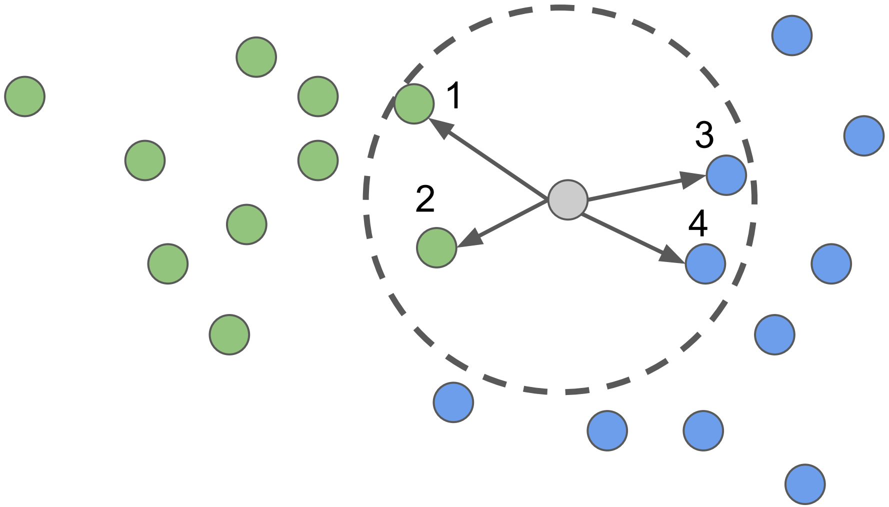

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$$w(\mathbf{x}_{(i)}) = w(d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_{(i)}))$$

$$p_{\text{blue}} = \frac{\boxed{w(\mathbf{x}_3) + w(\mathbf{x}_4)}}{w(\mathbf{x}_1) + w(\mathbf{x}_2) + w(\mathbf{x}_3) + w(\mathbf{x}_4)}$$

Outro

- Remember the **i.i.d.** property
- Usually the first dimension corresponds to the batch size, the second (and so on) to the features/time/…
- Even the naïve assumptions may be suitable in some cases
- Simple models provide great baselines

Model validation and evaluation

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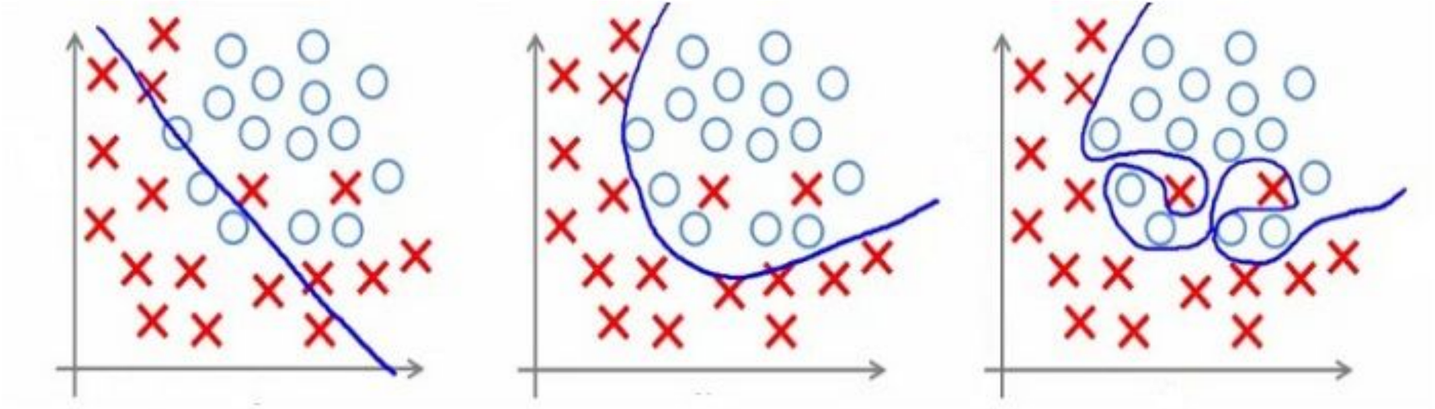
Overfitting vs. underfitting



Under-fitting

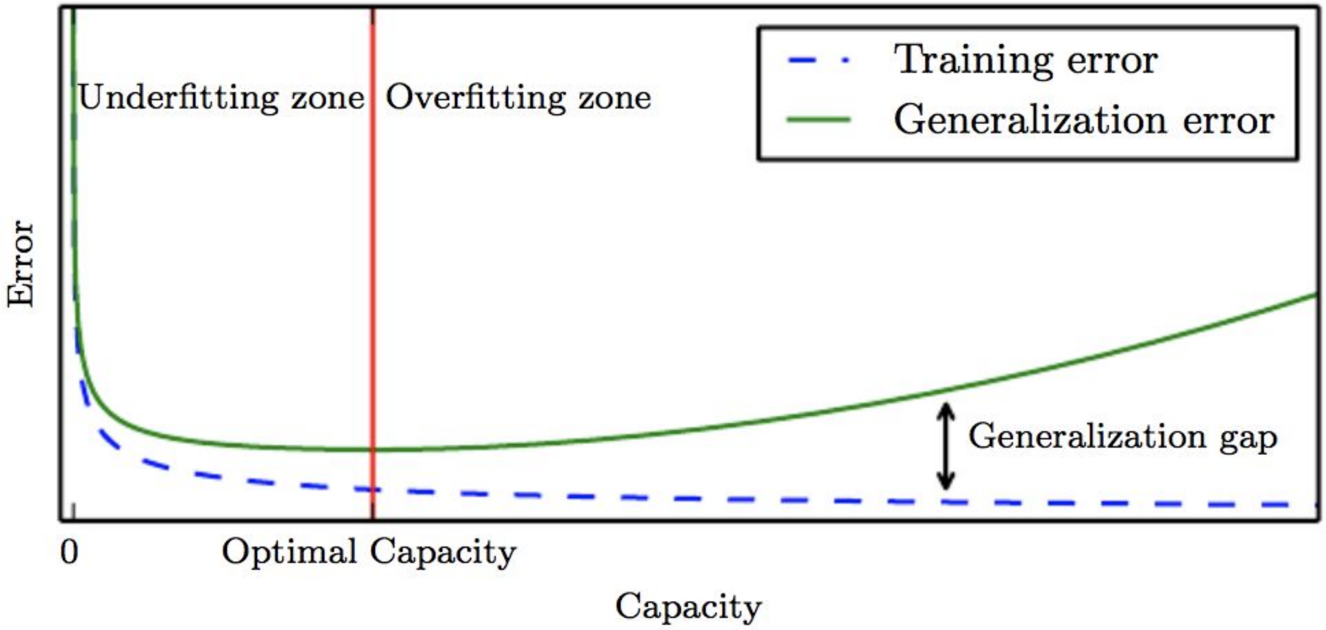
(too simple to explain the variance)

Appropriate-fitting

Over-fitting

(forcefitting -- too good to be true)

Overfitting vs. underfitting



Overfitting vs. underfitting

- We can control overfitting / underfitting by altering model's capacity (ability to fit a wide variety of functions):
- select appropriate hypothesis space
- learning algorithm's effective capacity may be less than the representational capacity of the model family

Evaluating the quality

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Evaluating the quality

Is it good enough?

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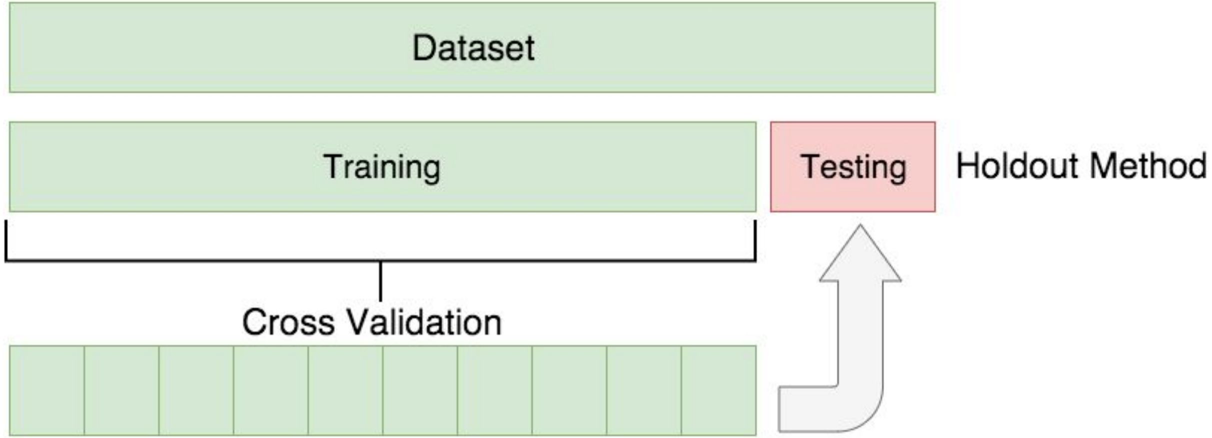

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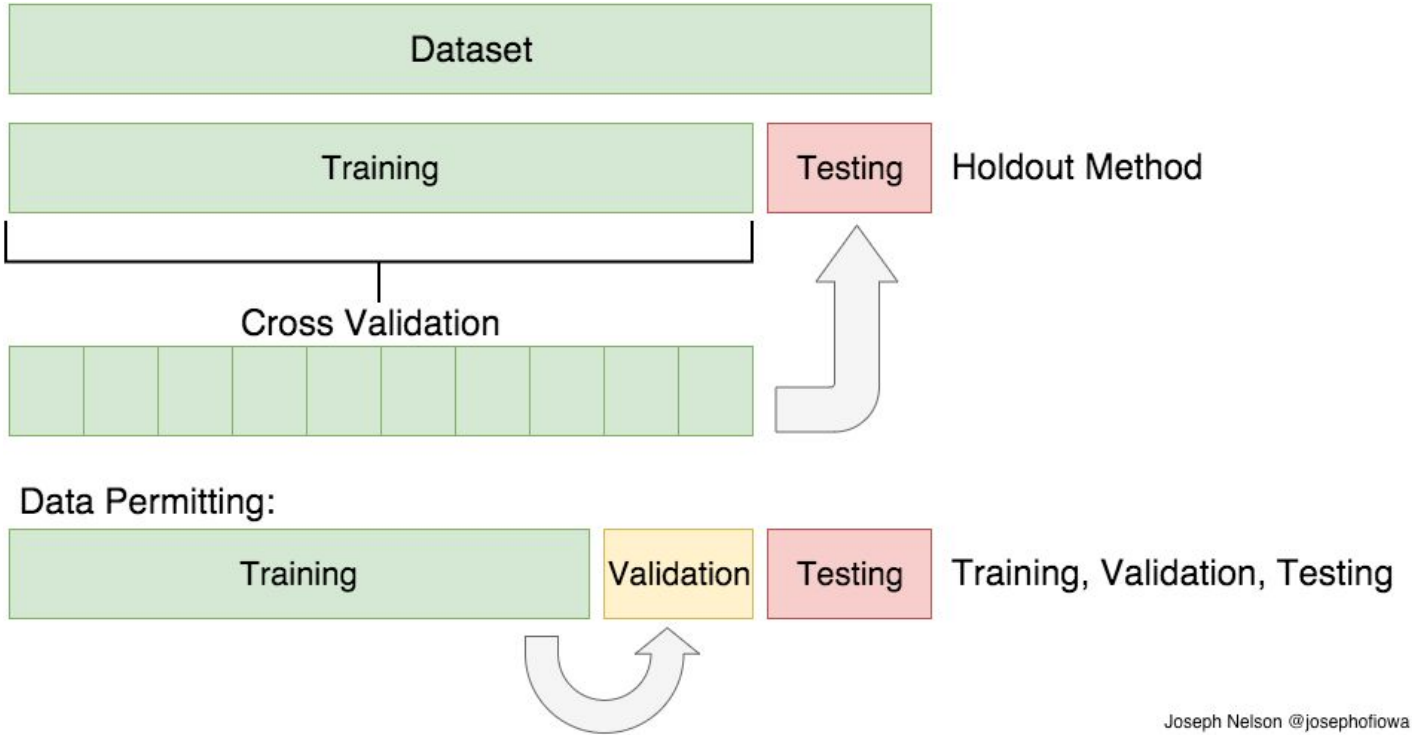

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Cross-validation