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Probing ML models for fairness with the What-If Tool & SHAP

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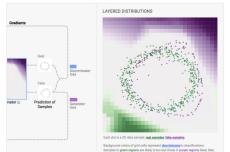
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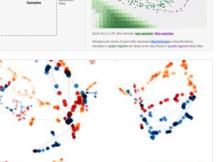


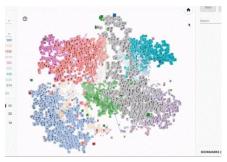
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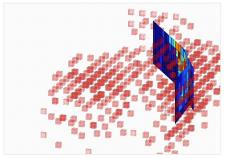
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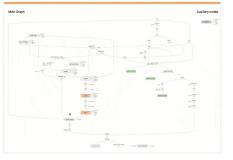
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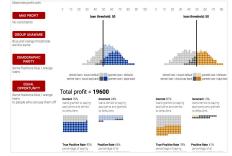








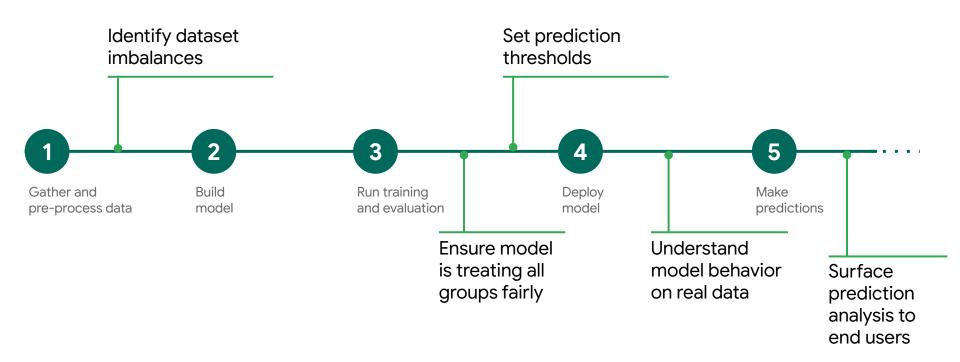




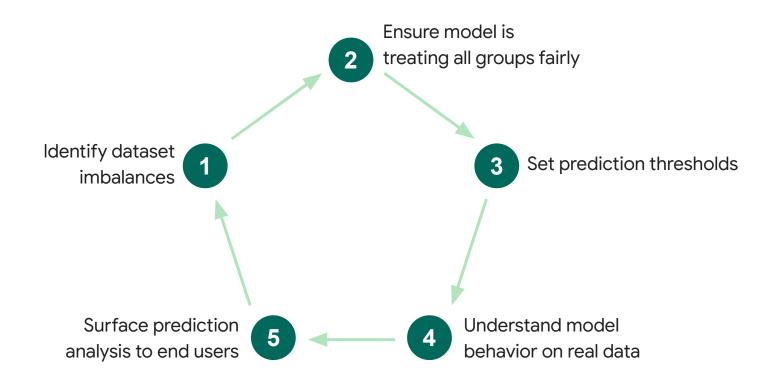


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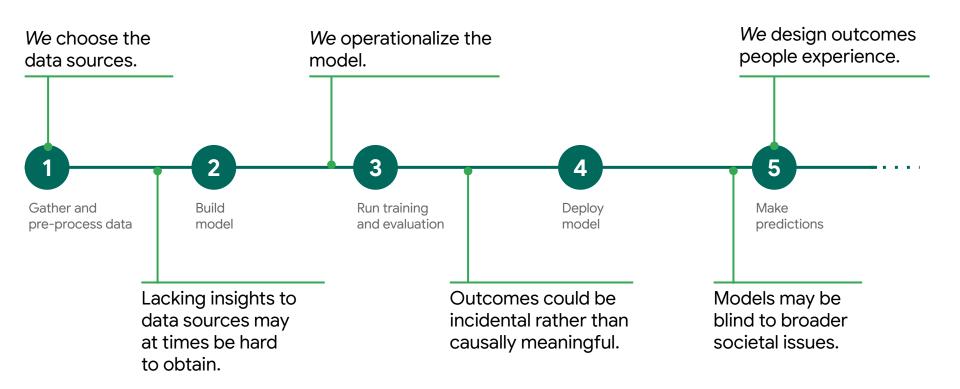
Q: How does explainability fit into the ML lifecycle?



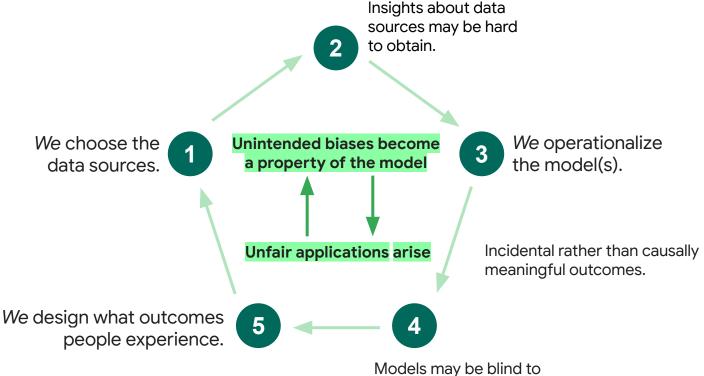
The explainability process



Q: How can biases be introduced into ML lifecycles?



The unfairness process



Models may be blind to broader societal issues.

Algorithmic Unfairness: Some examples

Representational Harm

When an ML system amplifies or reflects negative stereotypes about particular groups.

Opportunity Denial

When an ML system negative impacts individuals' access to opportunities, resources, and overall quality of life.

Disproportionate Failure

When the experience of interacting with an ML system is disproportionately failing for particular groups.





- 1. Be socially beneficial.
- 2. Avoid creating or reinforcing unfair bias.
- 3. Be built and tested for safety.
- 4. Be accountable to people.

- 5. Incorporate privacy design principles.
- 6. Uphold high standards of scientific excellence.
- 7. Be made available for uses that accord with these principles.



There are many different interpretability approaches...

Feature Attributions	Model & Data Analysis	Gradient & Concept Testing	Datapoint Inspection
Integrated gradients	What-If Tool	TCAV	Partial Dependence Plots
SHAP	Facets	Grad-CAM	Counterfactuals
LIME	Fairness Indicators	Guided Backpropagation	Ablation testing
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We'll focus on these two:

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How does my model perform...

classification accuracy / precision-recall curve / logarithmic loss / area under the curve / mean squared error / mean absolute error / F1 score / standard deviation / variance / confidence intervals / KL divergence / false positive rate / false negative rate / <insert metric here>

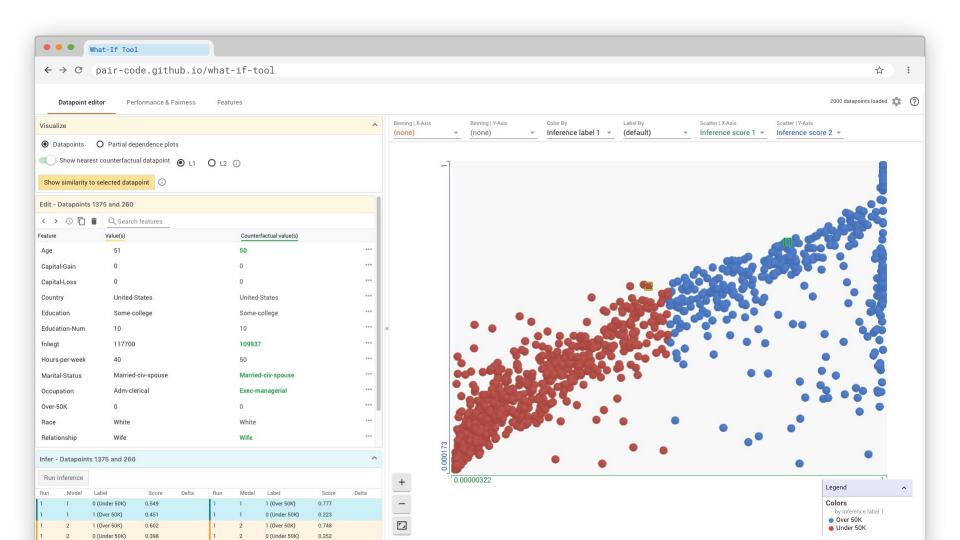
How might my model perform...

on subgroups in test data / on cross-slices in test data / on an individual data point / if a datapoint is perturbed / if model thresholds were different/ if optimized differently / across all values of a feature / when compared to a different model / on different data points within a neighborhood of data points / <insert question here>

What if...

you could inspect machine learning models, with minimal coding required?









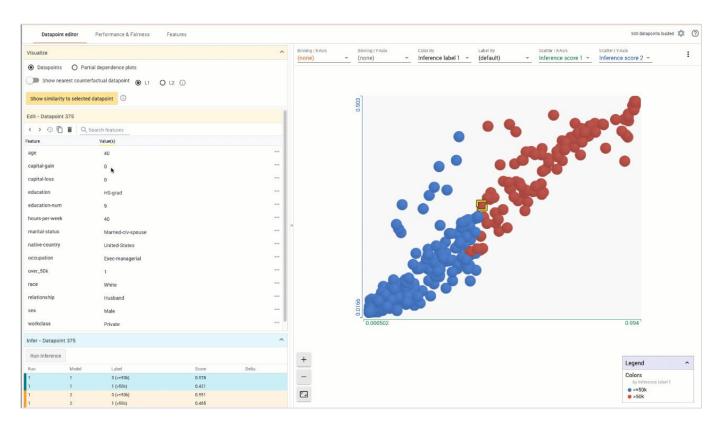


Supports What-If analysis



Easily ask hypotheticals

Alter datapoints and see how model outputs change



Above: Editing a feature value and then running inference preserves a history of inference values. Alternatively, users can explore partial dependence plots for each feature, sorted by interestingness.

Counterfactuals

"What would have to change for me to have gotten the loan?"

$$\underset{x' \quad \lambda}{\text{arg min max }} \lambda (f_w(x') - y')^2 + d(x_i, x')$$

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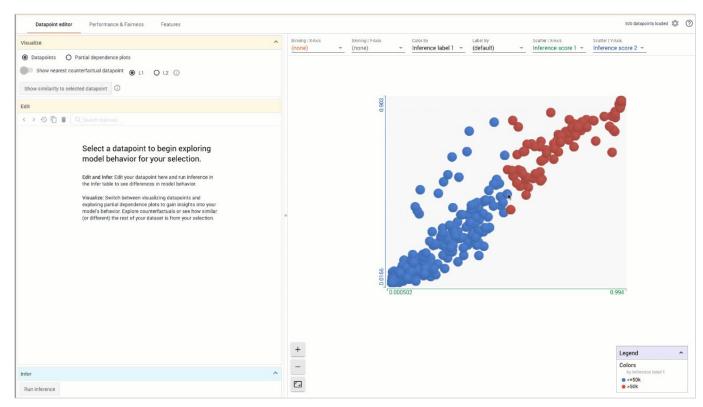
Wachter et al. "Counterfactual Explanations without Opening the Black Box: Automated Decisions and the GDPR"

Approaches

- Optimization problem to find hypothetical datapoint
- Search across real examples

Explore decision boundaries

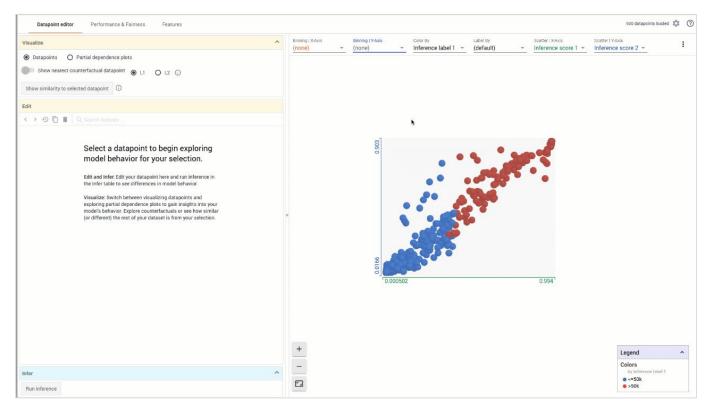
Translating counterfactual research into visual tooling within workflows.



Above: For classification problems, our counterfactual finding feature can identify the most similar datapoint (to a selection) in the loaded data that was classified differently by the model. For any dataset, L1 & L2 distances are available as inbuilt similarity metrics. However, users can specify custom metrics when invoking the tool.

Scale up without changing user's mental models

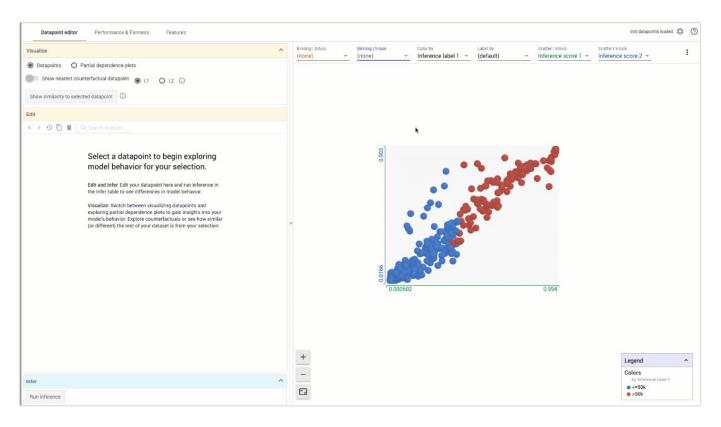
Compare performances of multiple models on the same simulation simultaneously.



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Support many workflows without coding

Create custom visualizations using dataset features and model scores.



Above: Users can bin, scatter, color and label by any feature in the loaded dataset. This is useful for exploring the dataset and model results, as well as identifying biases in and suboptimal performance on specific slices of the dataset.

User-focused customizations

Ways to specify custom...

Models
Data
Distances
(eg. Similarity metrics)
Attributions
(eg. TCAV)

```
# This function extracts 'image/encoded' field, which is a reserved key for the
# feature that contains encoded image byte list. We read this feature into
# BytesIO and decode it back to an image using PIL.
# The model expects an array of images that are floats in range 0.0 to 1.0 and
# outputs a numpy array of (n samples, n_labels)
def custom predict(examples to infer):
  def load byte img(im bytes):
    buf = BytesIO(im bytes)
    return np.array(Image.open(buf), dtype=np.float64) / 255.
  ims = [load byte img(ex.features.feature['image/encoded'].bytes list.value[0])
         for ex in examples to infer]
  preds = model1.predict(np.array(ims))
 return preds
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Above: Example of a custom predict function in colaboratory



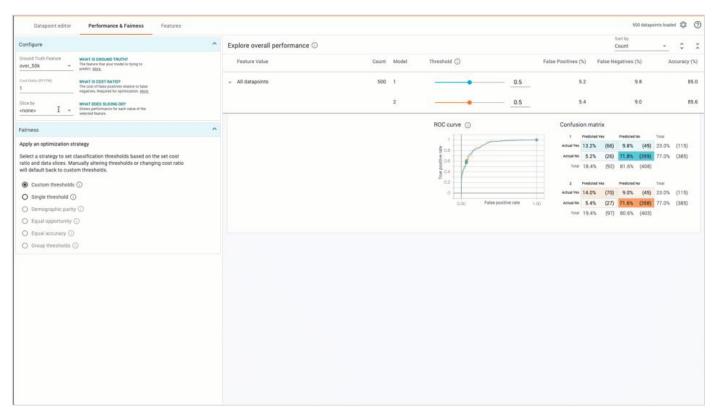




Visualizes model performance

Allow user-defined intersectional analysis

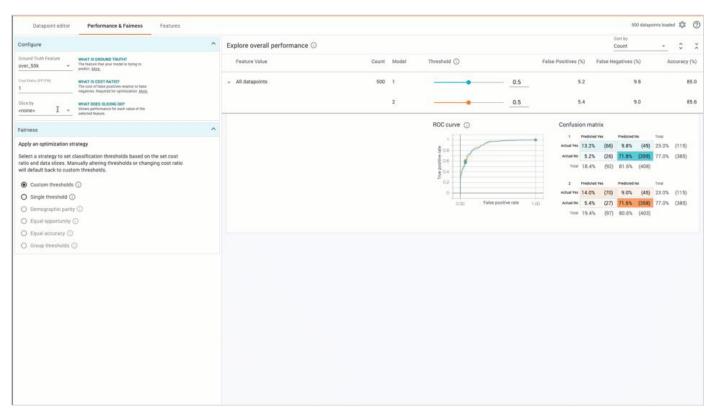
Evaluate performance on sub-groups of data rooted in feature values.



Above: Exploring model performance on different 'slices' of data given the values of specific features.

Explore ML Fairness optimizations

Translating fairness research into visual tooling.



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Open-Source Tool

https://whatif-tool.dev



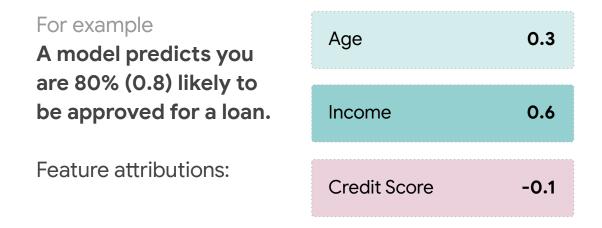
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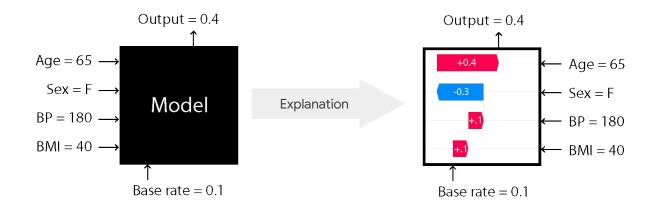
Q: What is **feature attribution?**

A: The amount each feature in a model contributes to the model's prediction.



Q: What is **SHAP?**

A: An open source framework for inspecting any machine learning model through feature attributions.



Q: How does SHAP work?

What does SHAP return?

SHAP assigns importance values to each feature indicating **the effect that feature had** on the model prediction.

How does SHAP calculate this?

SHAP approximates **the effect of removing a feature** from the model.

- Returns instance-level feature attributions along with global model-level feature importance.
- Works on image, text, and tabular models built with many different ML frameworks (TF, Scikit Learn, XGB, PyTorch),

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Learn more: papers.nips.cc/paper/7062-a-unified-approach-to-interpreting-model-predictions.pdf

Q: How does SHAP work?

$$\phi_i(N, v) = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{S \subseteq N \setminus \{i\}} |S|!(|N| - |S| - 1)! \Big[v(S \cup \{i\}) - v(S) \Big]$$

- Weighted average of the marginal contribution for an agent.
- How much does adding or removing a single feature affect the prediction?

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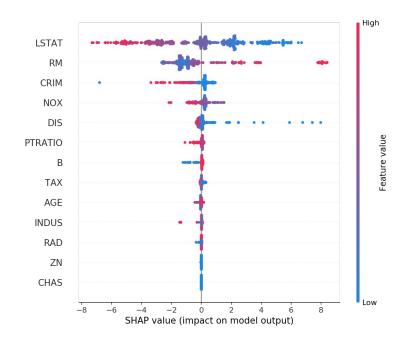
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Instance-level attributions



- Shows how each feature changes the model output from the baseline.
- Red features pushed the prediction up from the baseline, blue features pushed it down.

Model-level attributions



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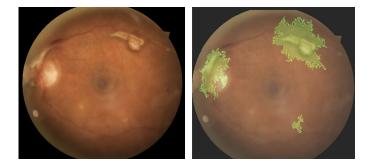
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Q: How might we interpret image model attributions?

Animal Species Classification Model



Diabetic Retinopathy (non-SHAP)



Getting started with SHAP

```
import shap

# Create the explainer
explainer = shap.DeepExplainer(model, train_data.values[:200])

# Get attribution values
shap_values = explainer.shap_values(train_data.values[:5])
```

Colab Notebook Exercise

Find link at:

https://pair-code.github.io/what-if-tool/fat2020.html



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