



Machine Learning

# Machine learning system design

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## Error metrics for skewed classes

## Cancer classification example

Train logistic regression model  $h_{\theta}(x)$ . ( $y = 1$  if cancer,  $y = 0$  otherwise) Lr

Find that you got 1% error on test set.  
(99% correct diagnoses)

neste caso o 1%  
erro ja nao parece  
impressionante

Only 0.50% of patients have cancer.

1%  $\approx$  0.5%

skewed classes. temos mais exemplos de uma classe do que outra

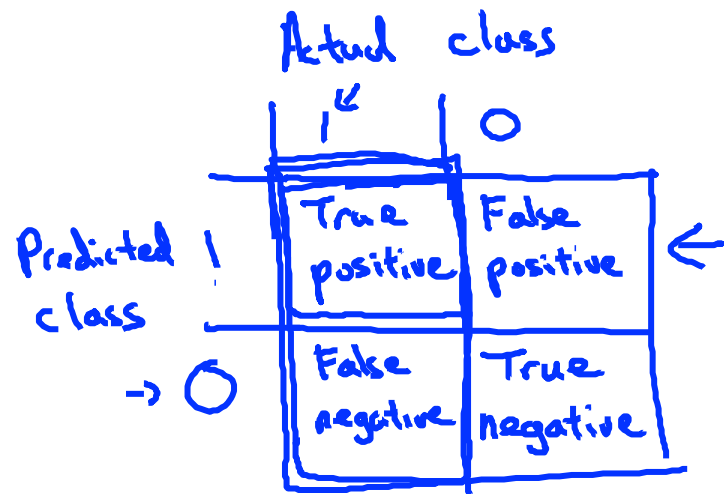
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function y = predictCancer(x)
     $\rightarrow y = 0$ ; %ignore x!
    return
```

0.5% error

$\rightarrow$  99.2% accuracy (0.8% error)  
 $\rightarrow$  99.5% accuracy (0.5% error)

# Precision/Recall

$y = 1$  in presence of rare class that we want to detect



## → Precision

(Of all patients where we predicted  $y = 1$ , what fraction actually has cancer?)

$$\frac{\text{True positives}}{\text{\#predicted positive}} = \frac{\text{True positive}}{\text{True pos} + \text{False pos}}$$

## → Recall

(Of all patients that actually have cancer, what fraction did we correctly detect as having cancer?)

$$\frac{\text{True positives}}{\text{\#actual positives}} = \frac{\text{True positives}}{\text{True pos} + \text{False neg}}$$