

Probabilistic Methods-I

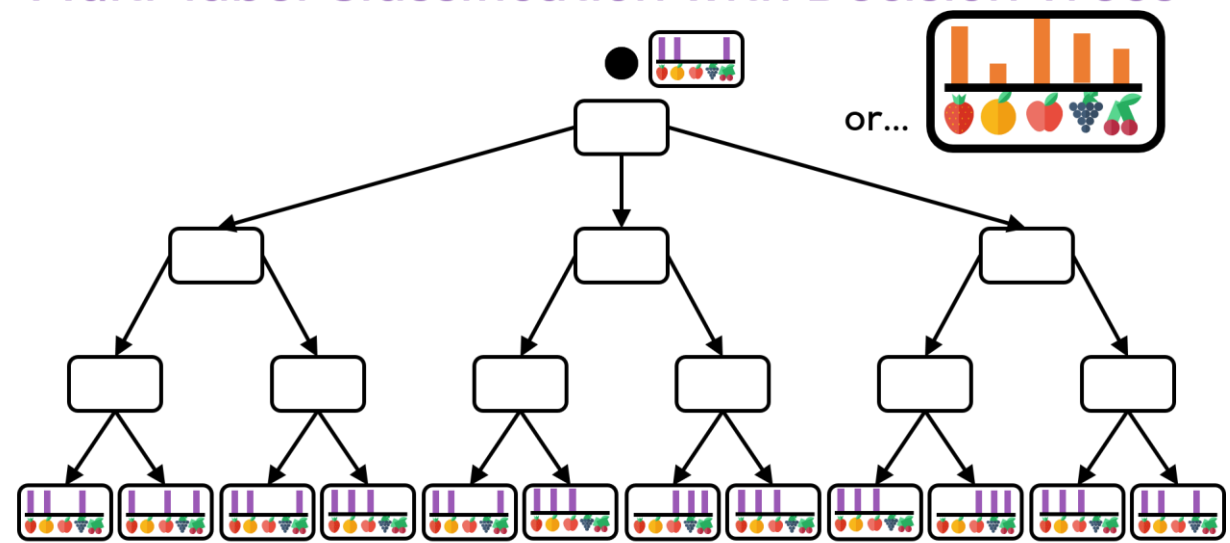
CS771: Introduction to Machine Learning

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Recap

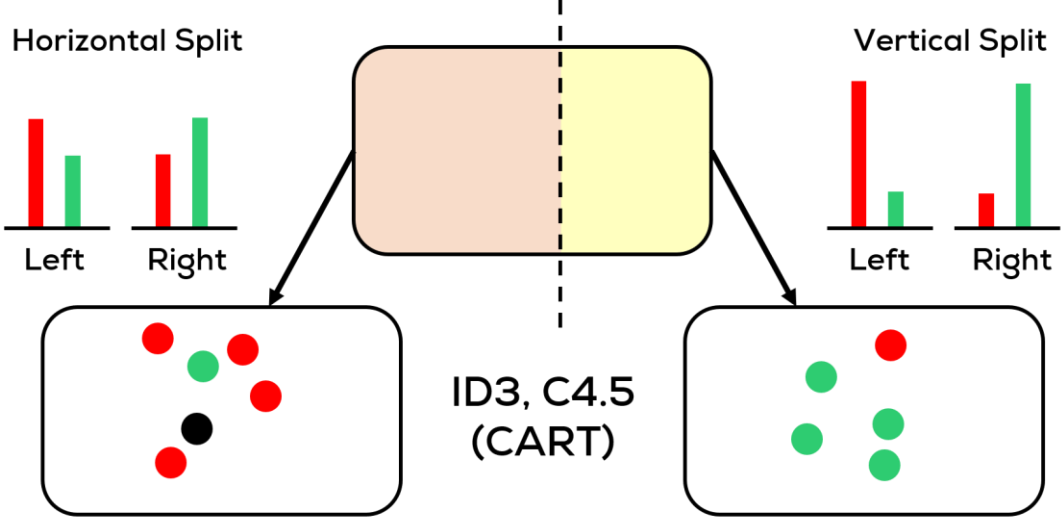
Multi-label Classification with Decision Trees



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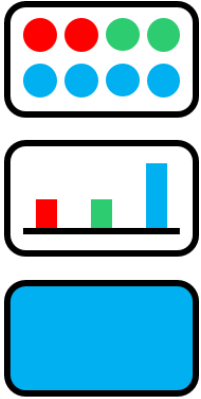
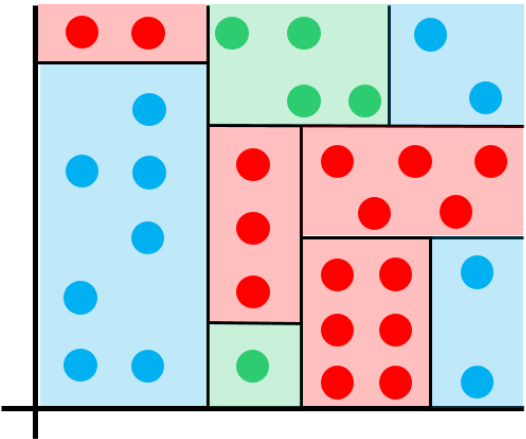
Node Splitting via feature stumps



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Exercise: Think about how to deal with regression!!

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Reconciling ID3

Guess the Movie!

Zero-shot
learning problem



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DTs are excellent for
NN search (kd-tree)



Box-Office Collection
Low (< INR 100 cr)
Medium (INR 100-1000 cr)
High (> 1000 cr)

Original Language

Year of Release
2010,2011,...2017

Insufficient
Features

shutterstock.com, inktalks.com, alamsham.com, youtube.com

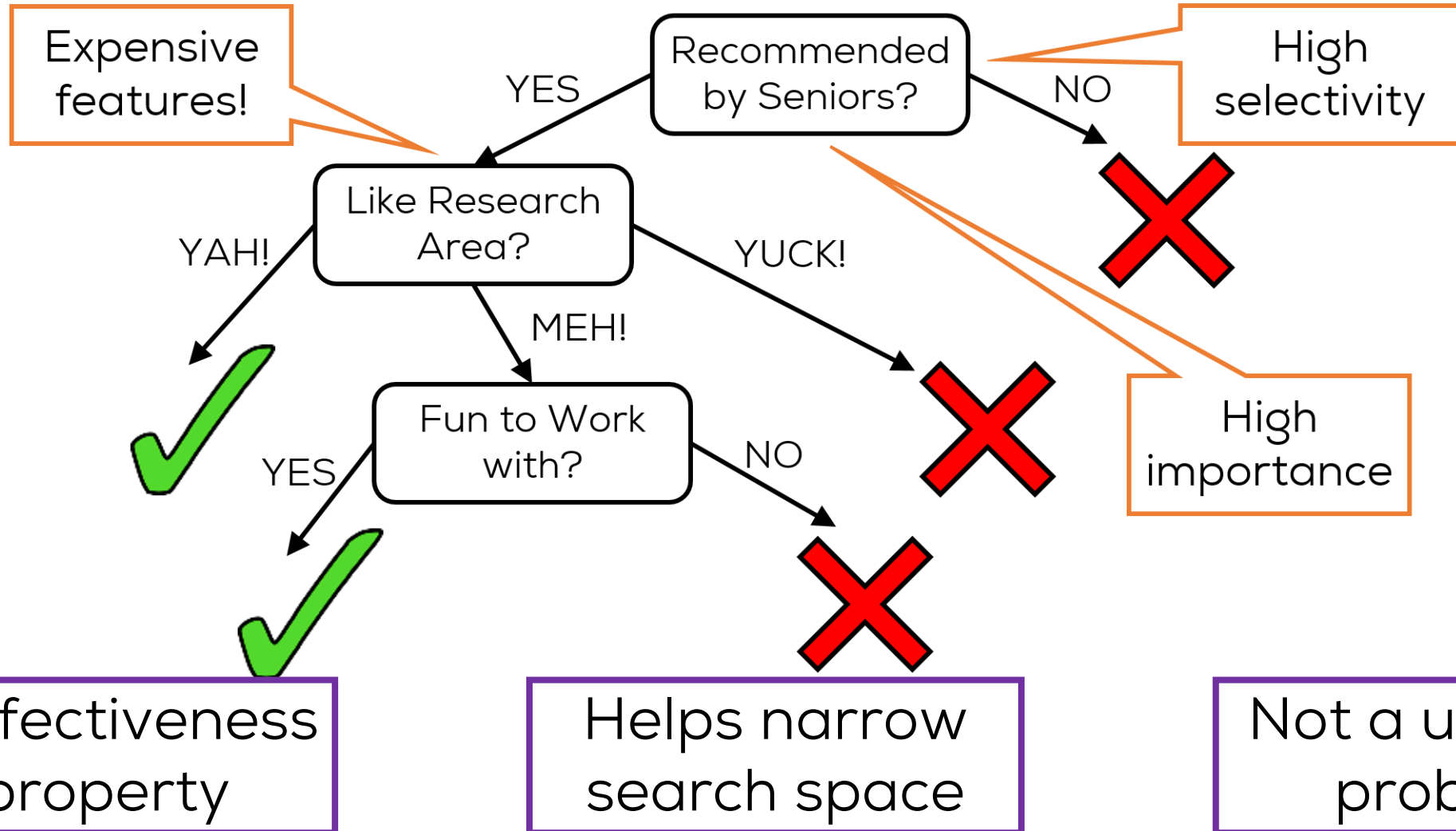
Does narrow
search space

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Reconciling ID3

Choose an Adviser!



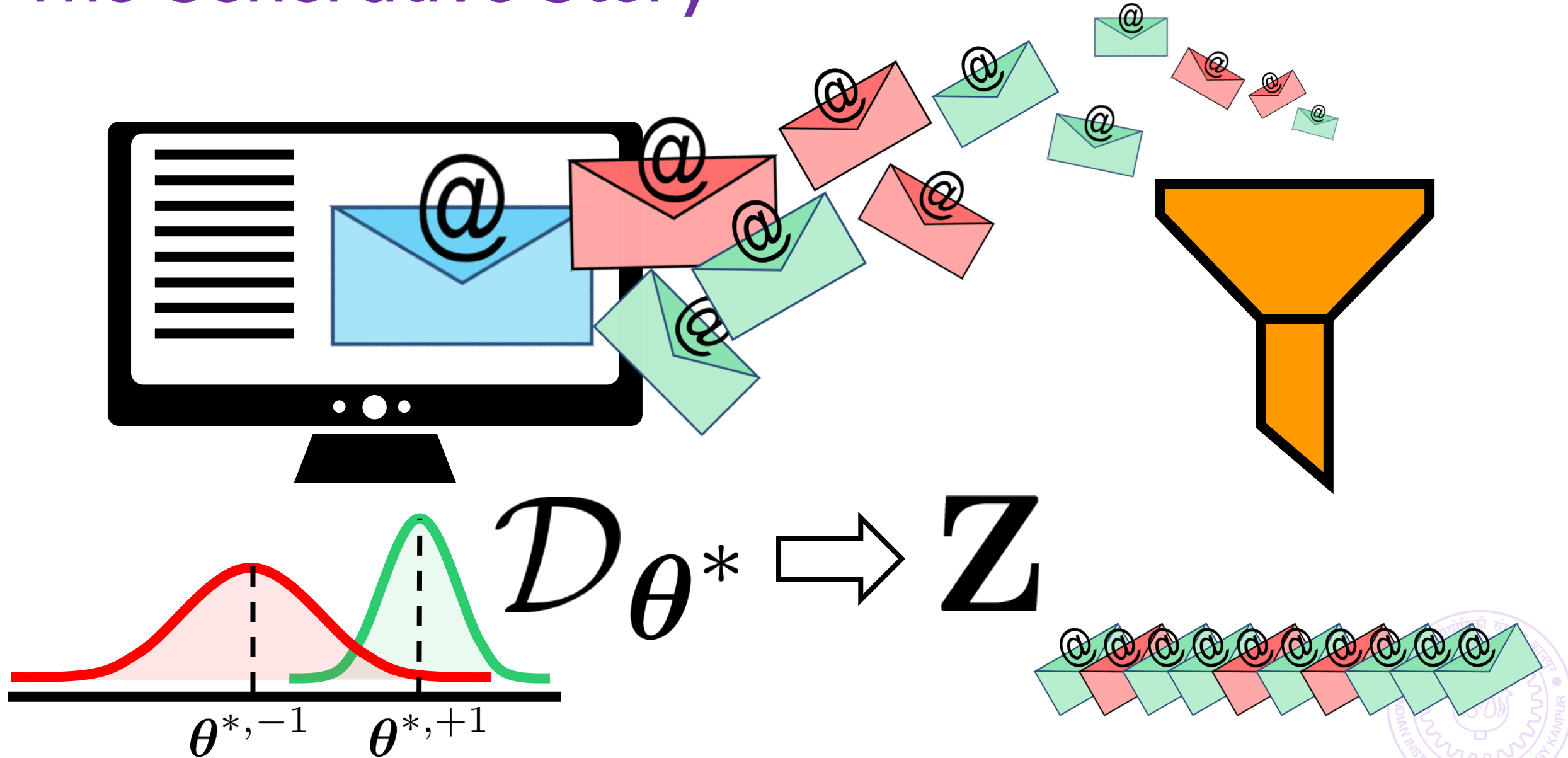
The Probabilistic Philosophy

and the generative story ...

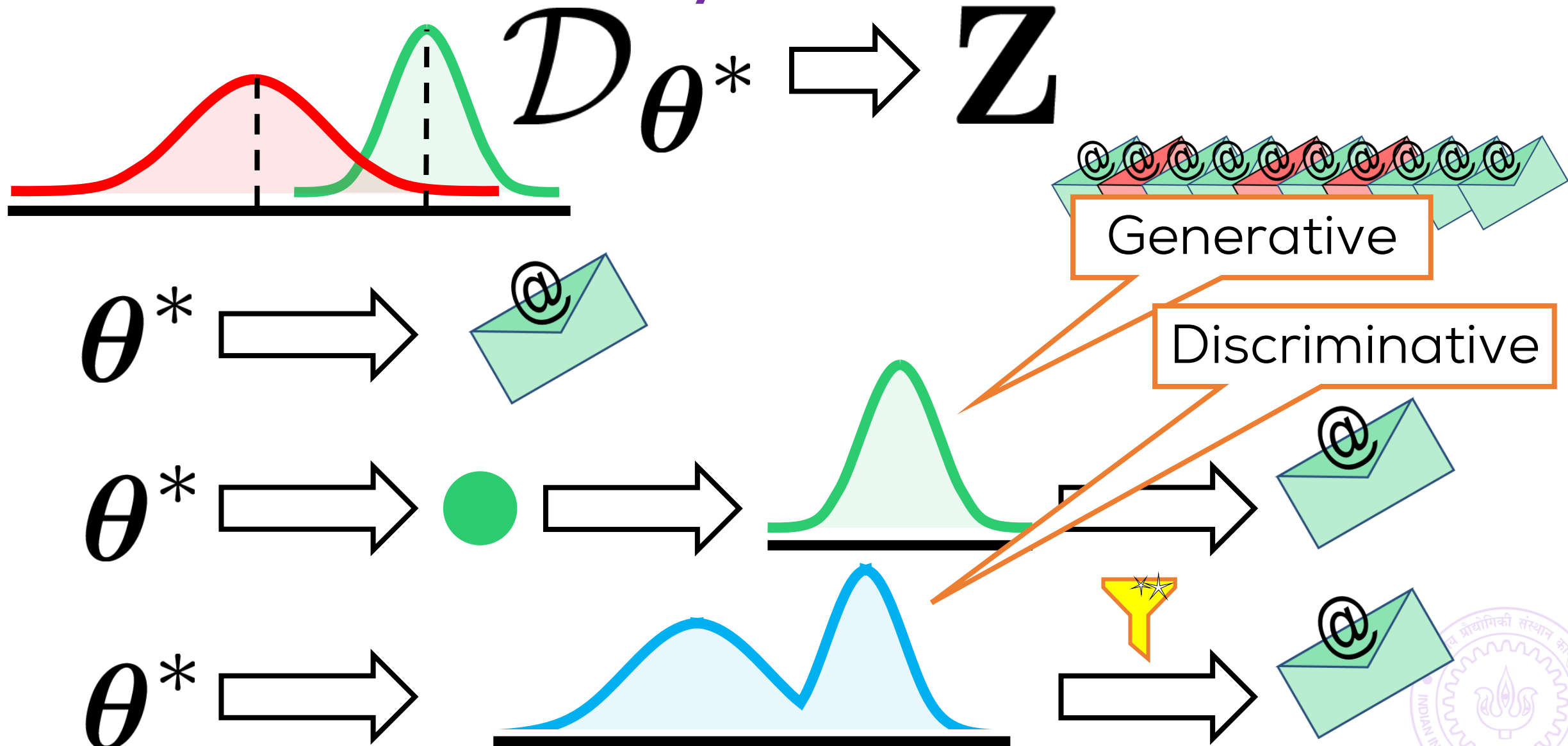
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The Generative Story

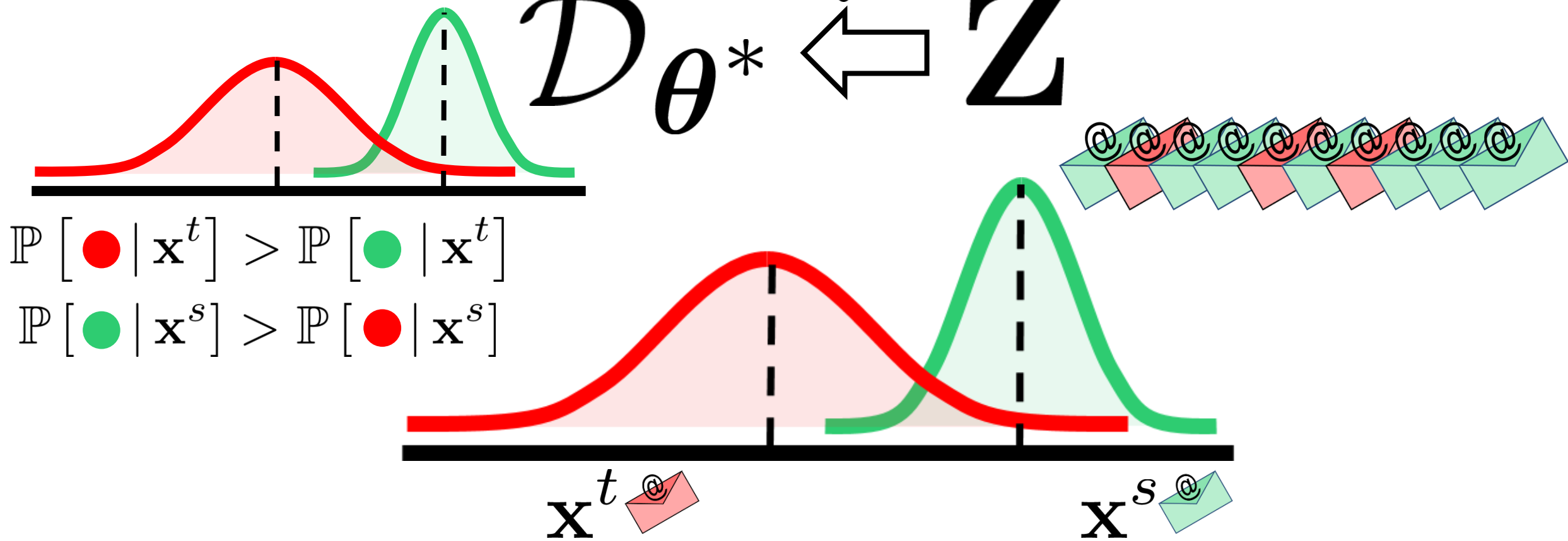


The Generative Story



The Generative Story

$$\mathcal{D}_{\theta^*} \stackrel{?}{\leftarrow} \mathbf{Z}$$



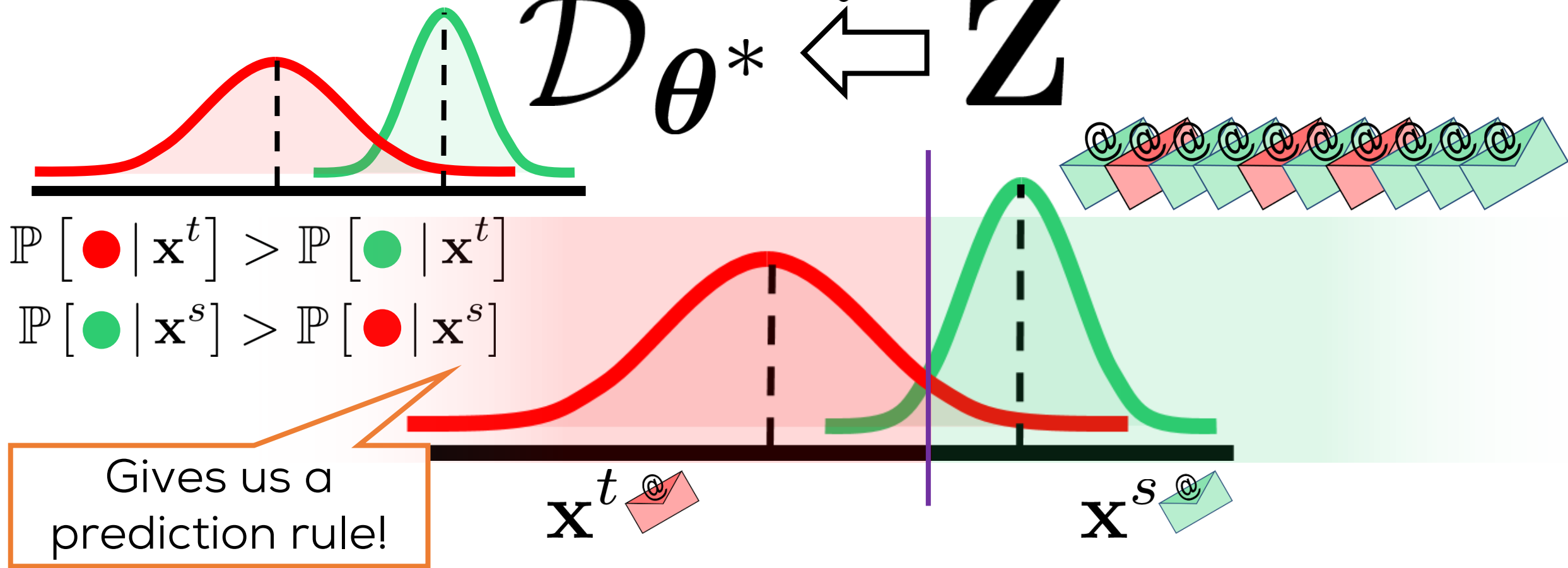
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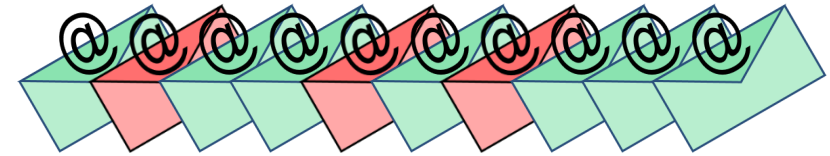


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The Generative Story



$$\mathbb{P}[\mathbf{Z} | \theta]$$

Likelihood

$$\mathbb{P}[\theta]$$

Prior

$$\mathbb{P}[\theta | \mathbf{Z}]$$

Posterior

Defined for all
parameters θ

Learning a Coin

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Learning the Bias of a Coin



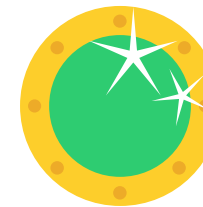
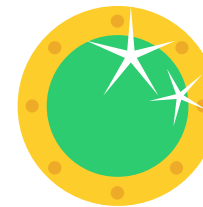
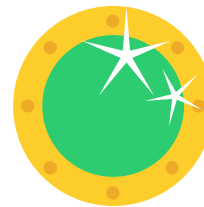
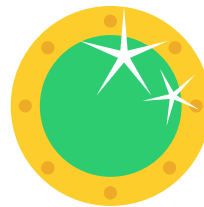
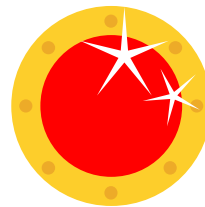
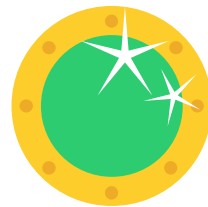
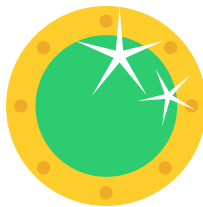
Bias p^*

The bias is the parameter θ^*

Bernoulli distribution

$$\mathbb{P}[y^i | p] = p^{y^i} (1 - p)^{1 - y^i}$$

Independent tosses



1

0

1

1

0

1

1

1

1

1

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{y}$$

How to estimate p^* using coin tosses \mathbf{y} ?

Learning the Bias of a Coin



Bias p^*

$$\mathbb{P} [y^i \mid p] = p^{y^i} (1 - p)^{1 - y^i}$$

$$\mathbb{P} [\mathbf{y} \mid p] = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P} [y^i \mid p] = \prod_{i=1}^n p^{y^i} (1 - p)^{1 - y^i}$$

Learning the Bias of a Coin



Bias p^*

$$\mathbb{P} [y^i | p] = p^{y^i} (1 - p)^{1 - y^i}$$

Likelihood

$$\mathbb{P} [\mathbf{y} | p] = p^{n_H} (1 - p)^{n_T}$$

Log-likelihood

$$\log \mathbb{P} [\mathbf{y} | p] = n_H \log p + n_T \log(1 - p)$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimate

often affectionately called the MLE

The ML Estimator



Bias p^*

$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{y} =$



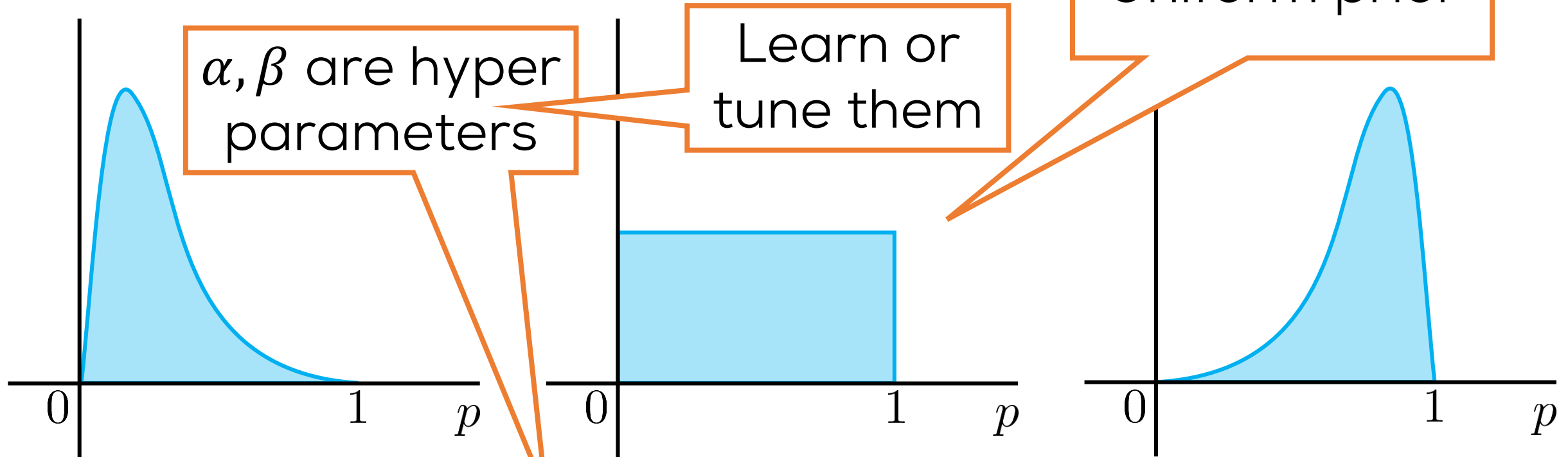
$$\mathbb{P} [y^i | p] = p^{y^i} (1 - p)^{1 - y^i}$$

$$\hat{p}_{\text{MLE}} = \arg \max_p \mathbb{P} [\mathbf{y} | p]$$

$$= \arg \max_p \log \mathbb{P} [\mathbf{y} | p]$$

Exercise: Show that $\hat{p}_{\text{MLE}} = \frac{n_H}{n}$

Here comes the Prior



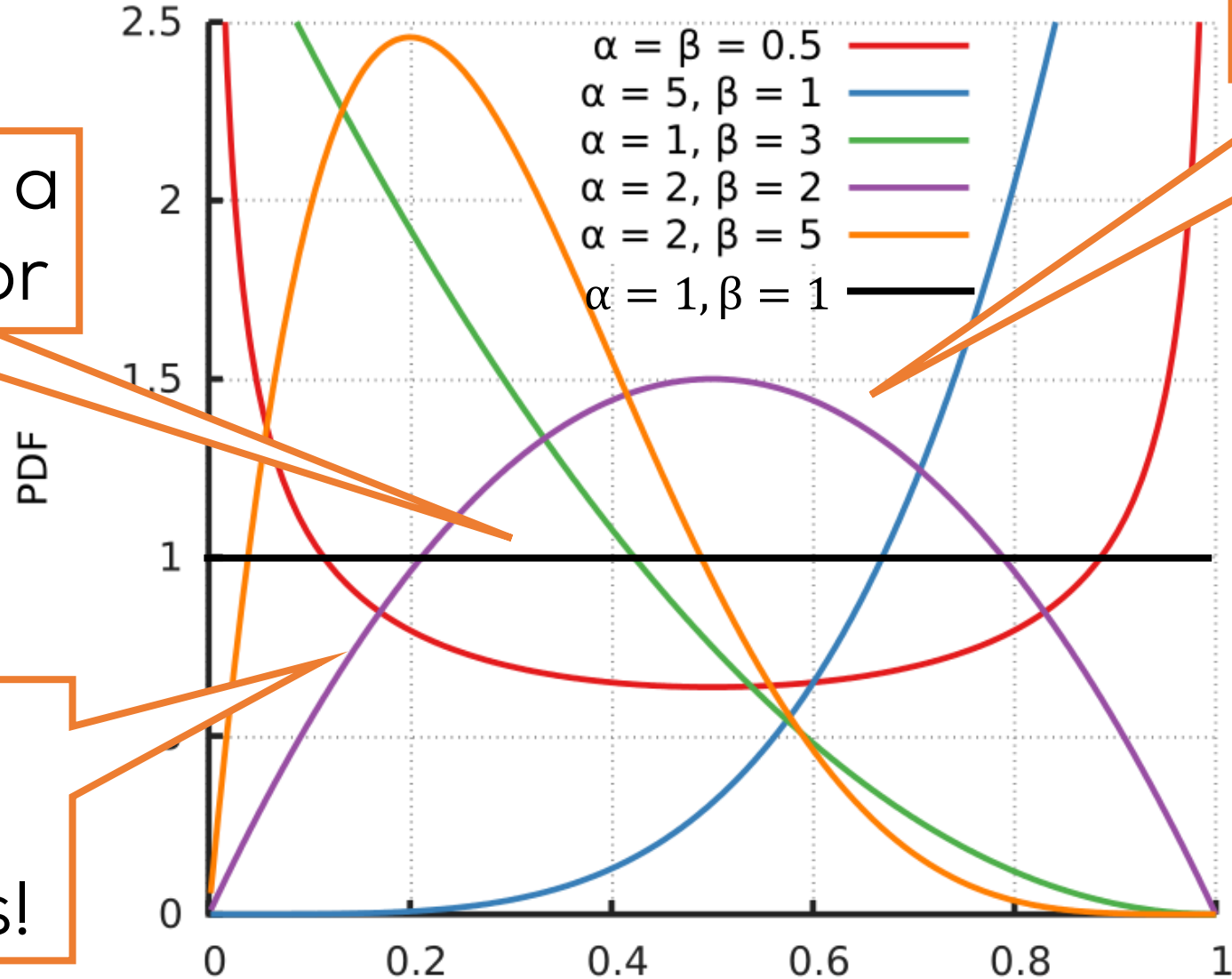
$$\mathbb{P}[p] = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} p^{\alpha-1} (1-p)^{\beta-1}$$

Beta prior
 $\text{Beta}(p; \alpha, \beta)$

Beta Distribution

Can encode a uniform prior

Encode previously seen tosses!



Large α, β
sharp peaks

Maximum a-Posteriori

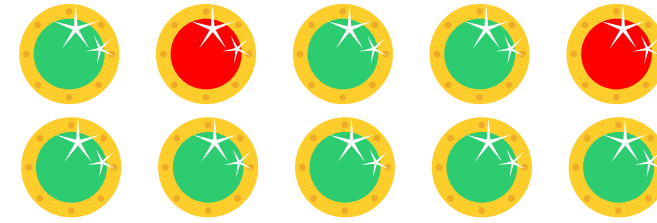
often affectionately called the MAP

The MAP Estimator

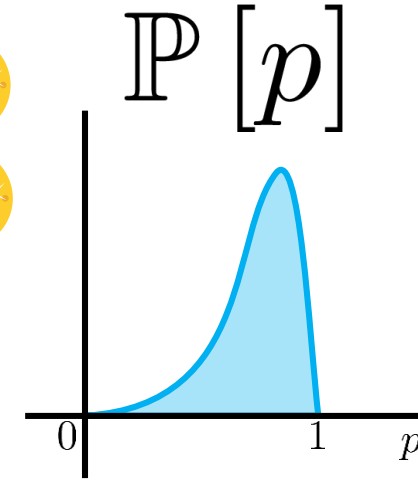


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$$\mathbb{P}[y^i | p] = p^{y^i} (1 - p)^{1 - y^i}$$



$$\hat{p}_{\text{MAP}} = \arg \max_p \mathbb{P}[p | \mathbf{y}]$$

$$= \arg \max_p \frac{\mathbb{P}[\mathbf{y} | p] \mathbb{P}[p]}{\mathbb{P}[\mathbf{y}]}$$

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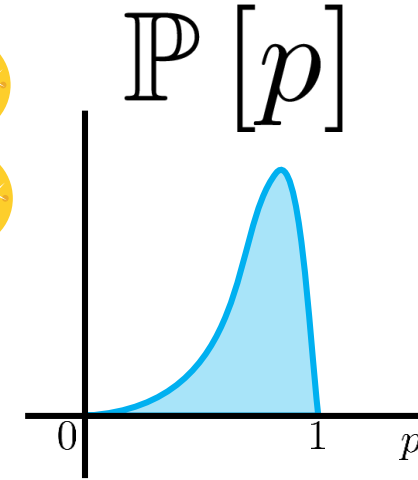


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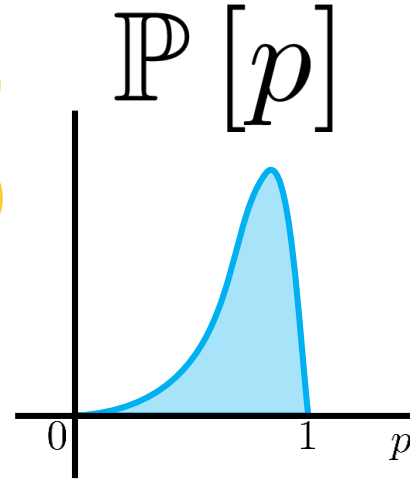


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Exercise: Show that $\hat{p}_{\text{MAP}} = \frac{n_H + \alpha - 1}{n + \alpha + \beta - 2}$

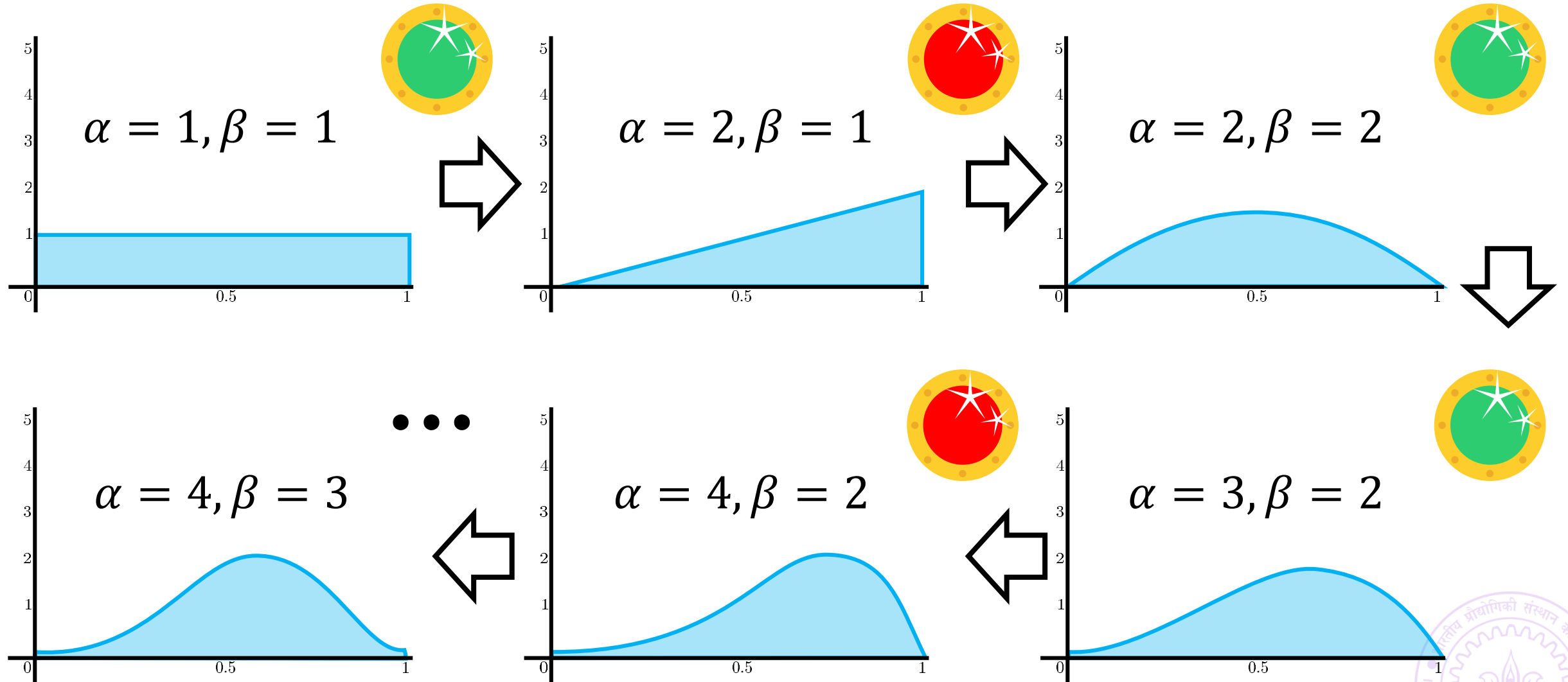
Online MAP!

- The posterior is the same “type” of distribution as the prior
- The posterior can be used as a prior by you
- The MAP update works even after witnessing a single toss
- Make incremental updates instead of one big update
- Online algorithm for MAP estimation!
- Efficient *online stochastic* updates

Conjugacy!

Exercise: Show that $\mathbb{P}[p \mid \mathbf{y}] = \text{Beta}(p; \alpha + n_H, \beta + n_T)$

Online MAP!



Posterior Averaging

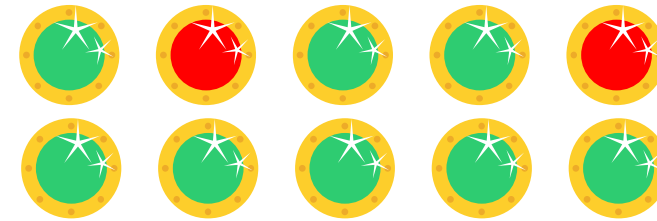
or more commonly known as Bayesian learning

Prediction with learnt models



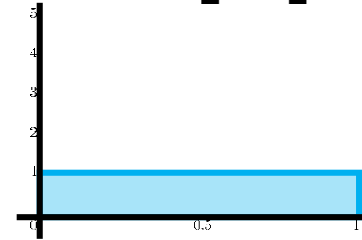
= ?

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{y} =$$



$\mathbb{P}[p]$

$$\mathbb{P}[y^i | p] = p^{y^i} (1 - p)^{1 - y^i}$$



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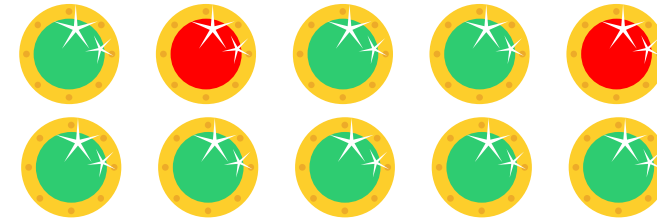
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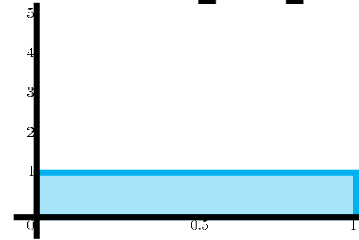
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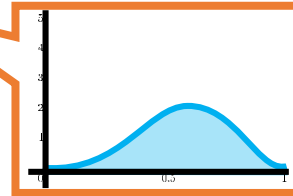
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Apply Bayes rule properly

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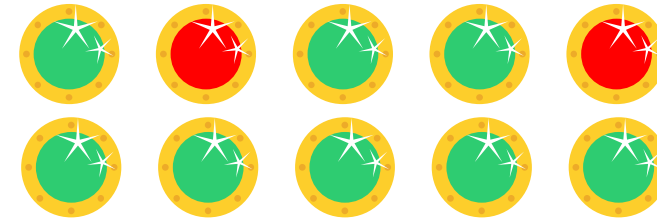
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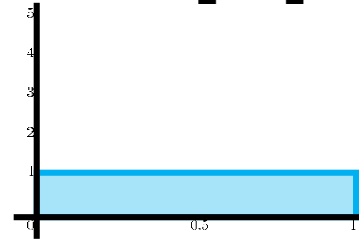
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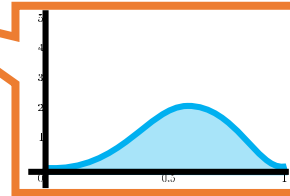
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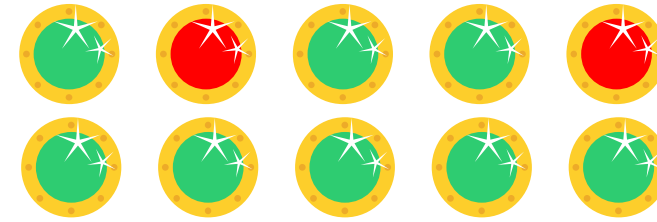


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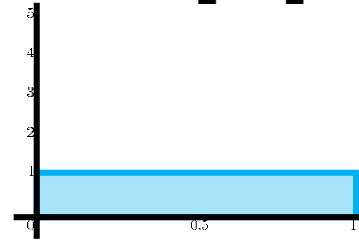
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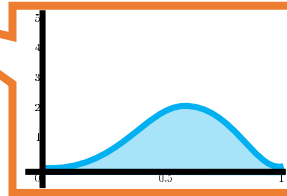
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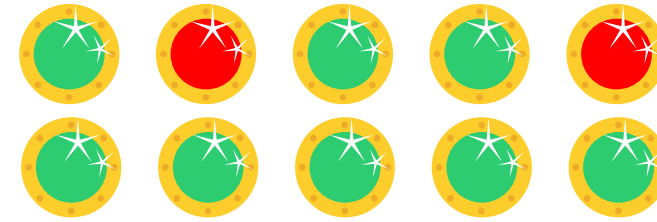


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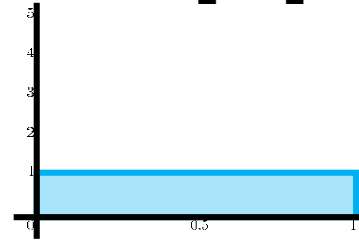
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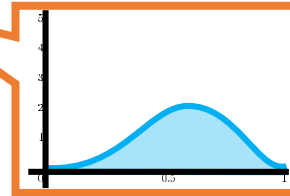


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Apply Bayes rule properly

$$= \frac{\alpha + n_H}{\alpha + \beta + n}$$

Usually very challenging!



Exercise

Please give your Feedback

<http://tinyurl.com/ml17-18afb>