

Building Classification Models

Two Approaches to Deadlines



Start 5 minutes before deadline

Good luck with that



Start 1 year before deadline

Maybe overkill

Neither approach is optimal

Starting a Year in Advance

Probability of meeting the deadline



100%

Probability of getting other important work done

0%

Starting Five Minutes in Advance

Probability of meeting the deadline

0%

Probability of getting other important work done



100%

The Goldilocks Solution

Work fast

Start very late and hope
for the best

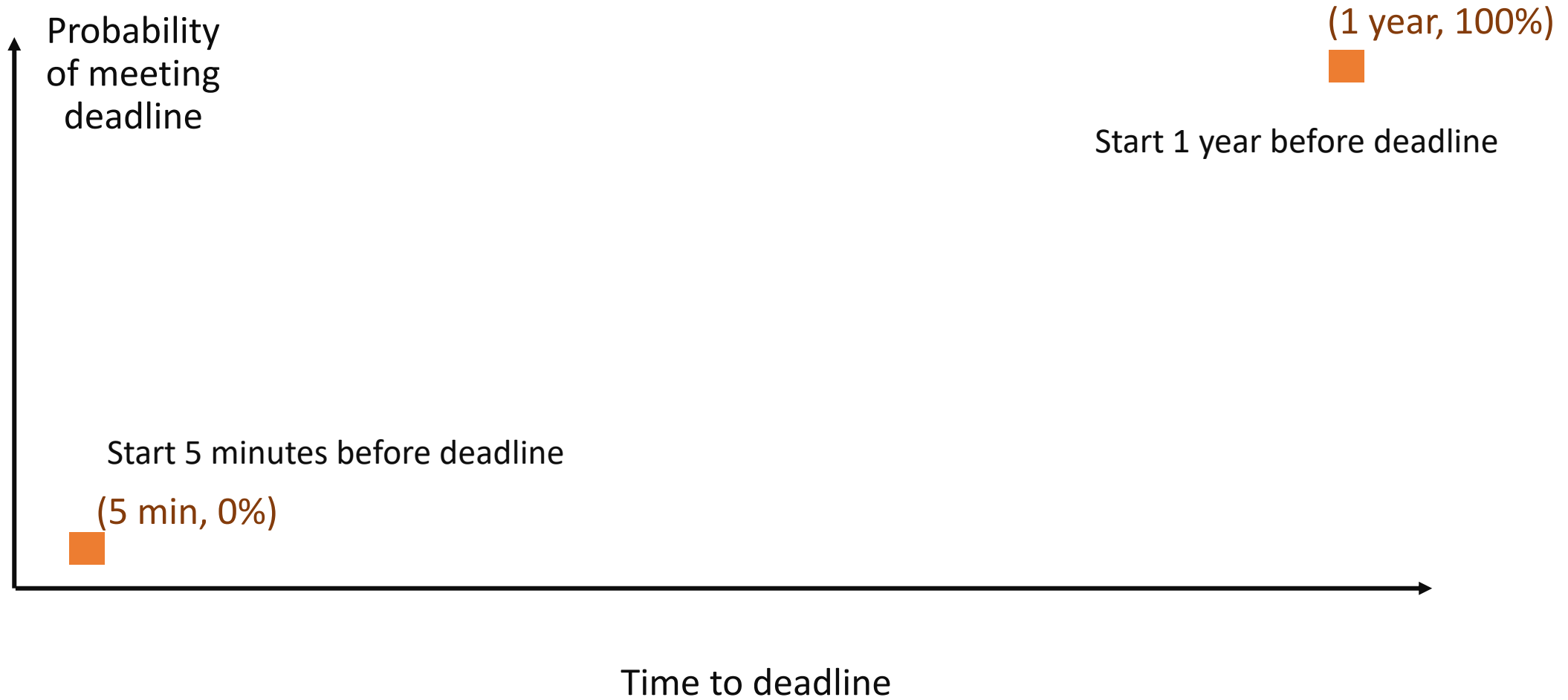
Work smart

Start as late as possible
To be sure to make it

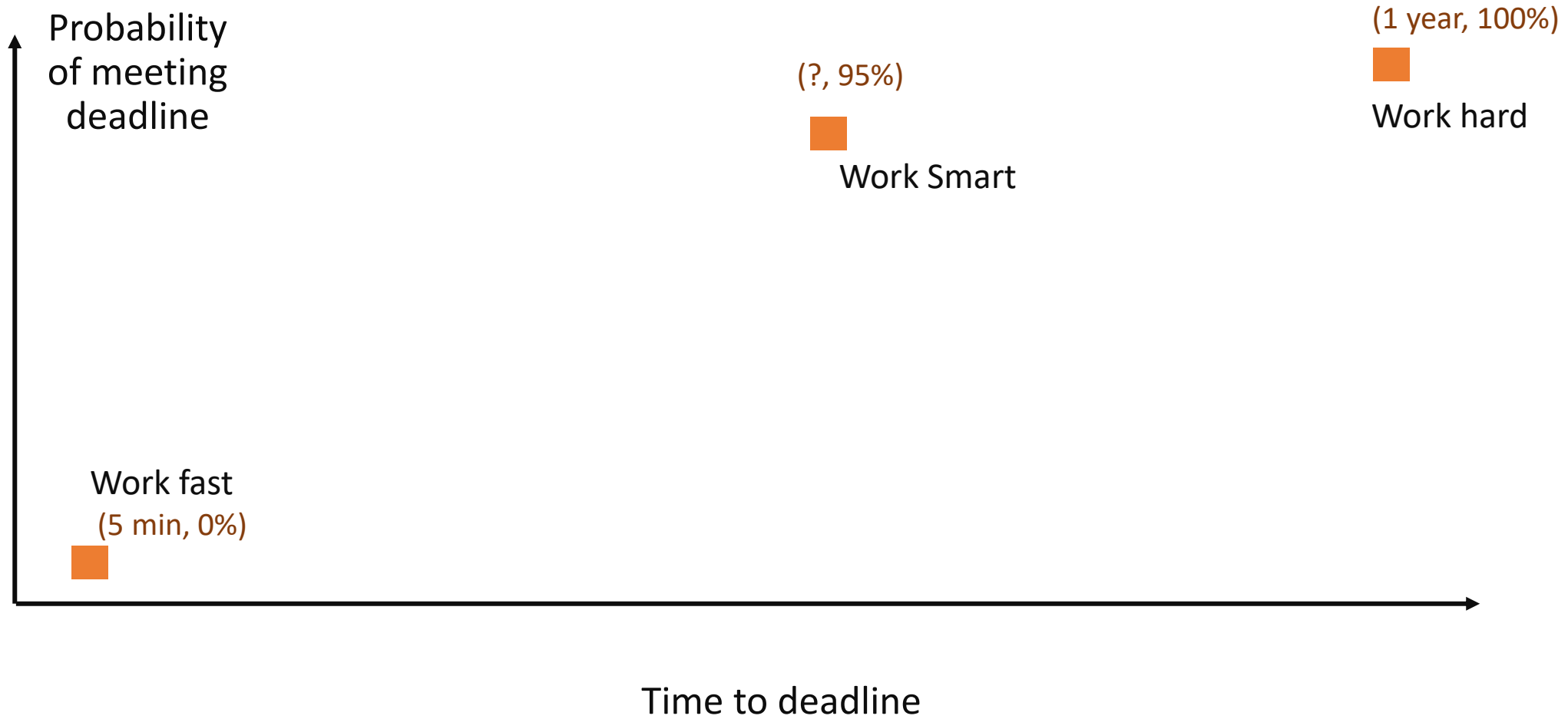
Work hard

Start very early and do
little else

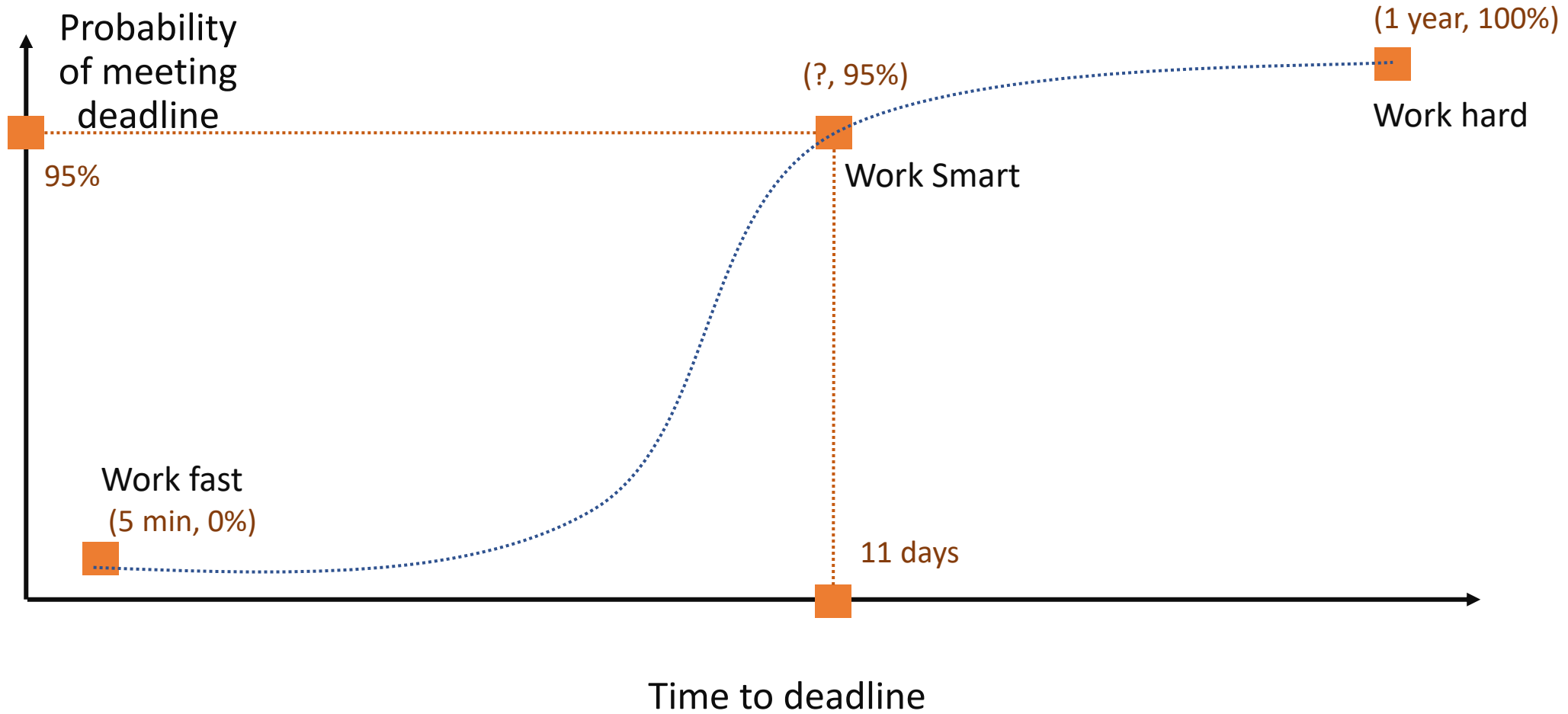
Working Hard, Fast, Smart



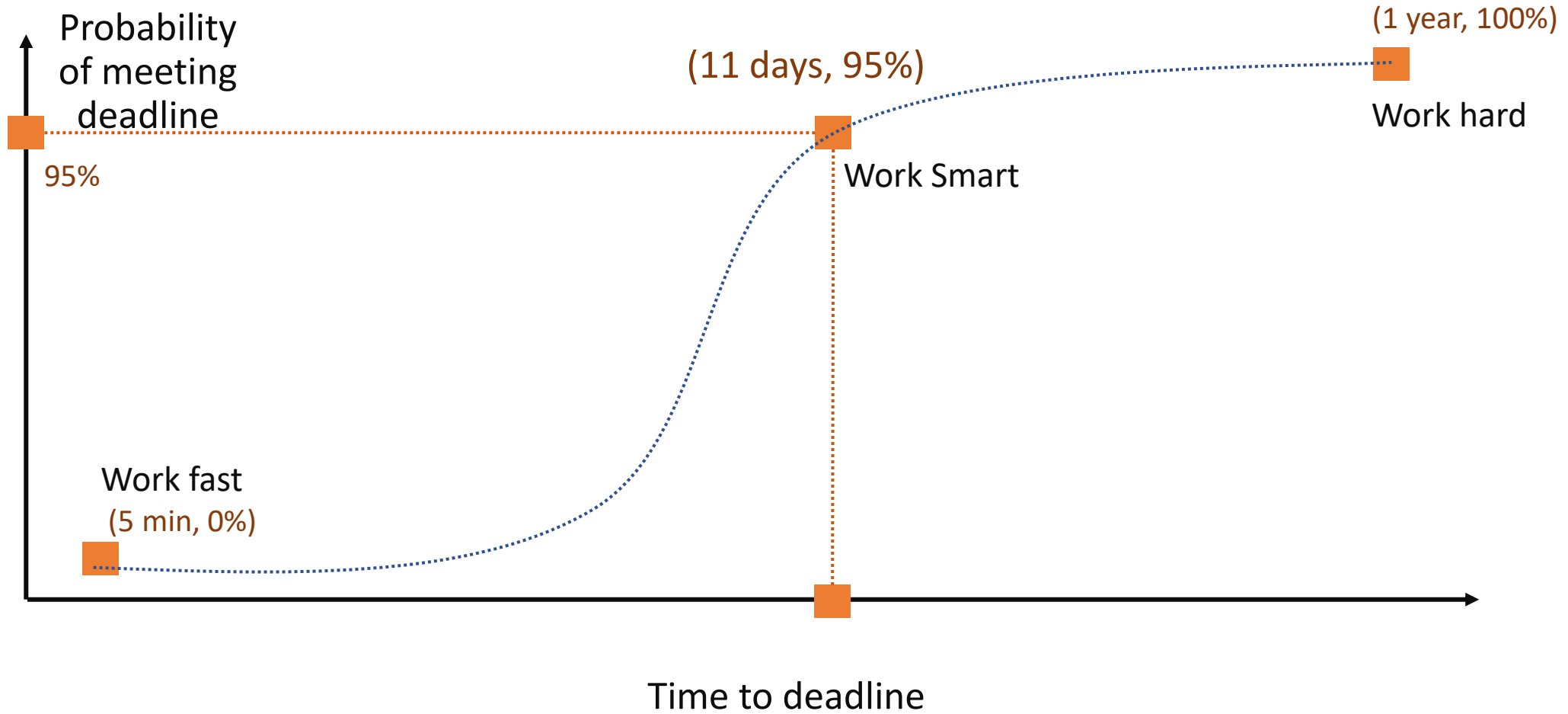
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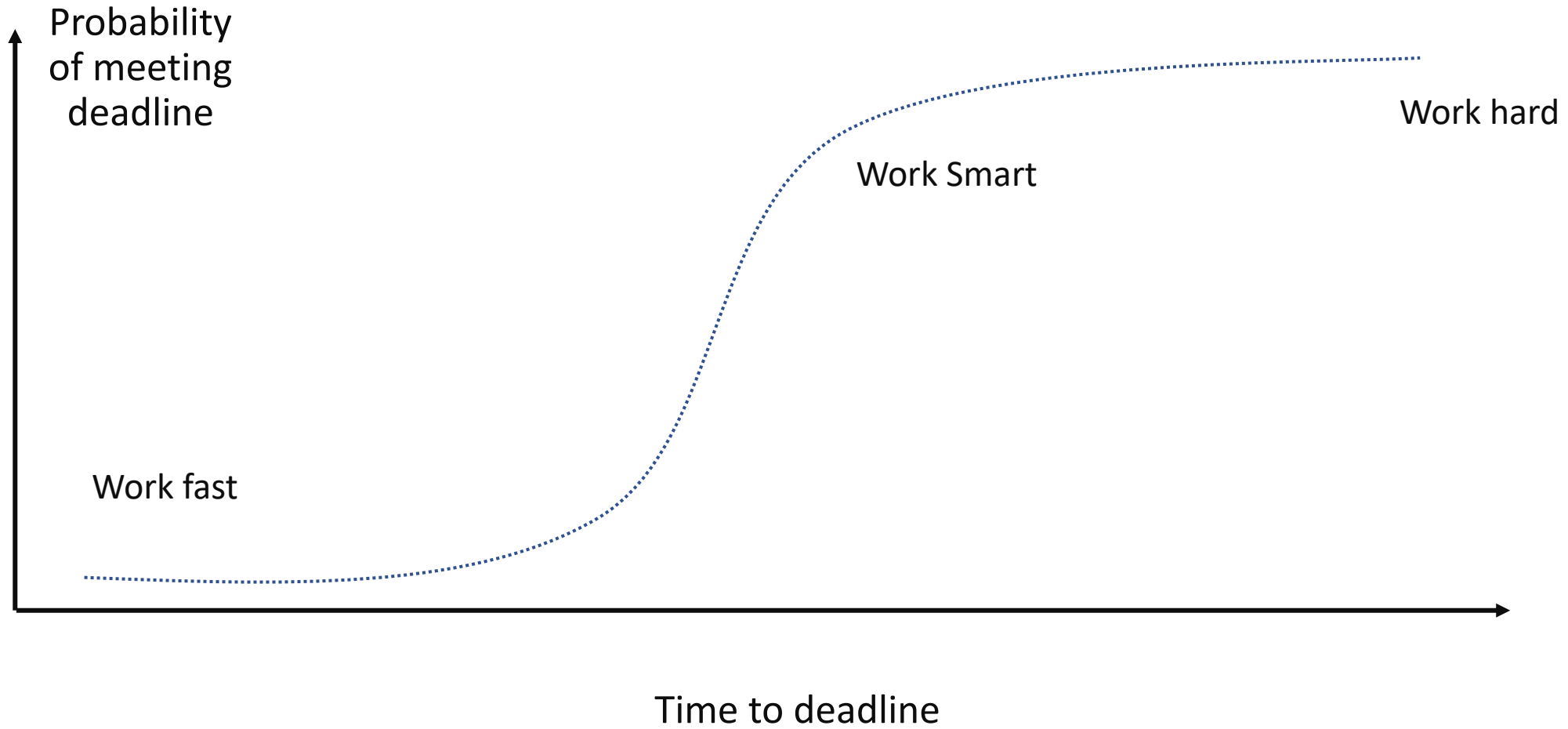
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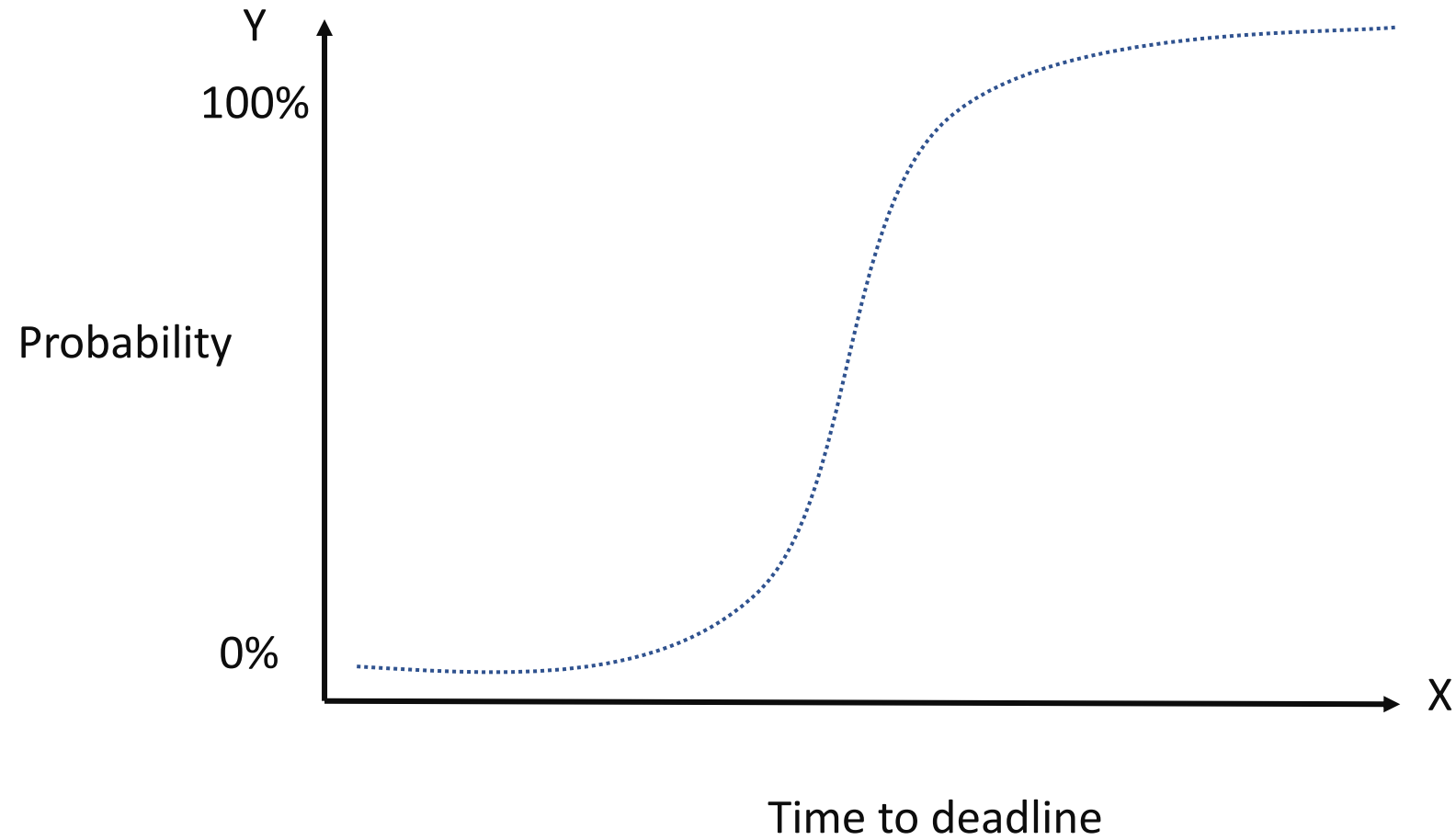


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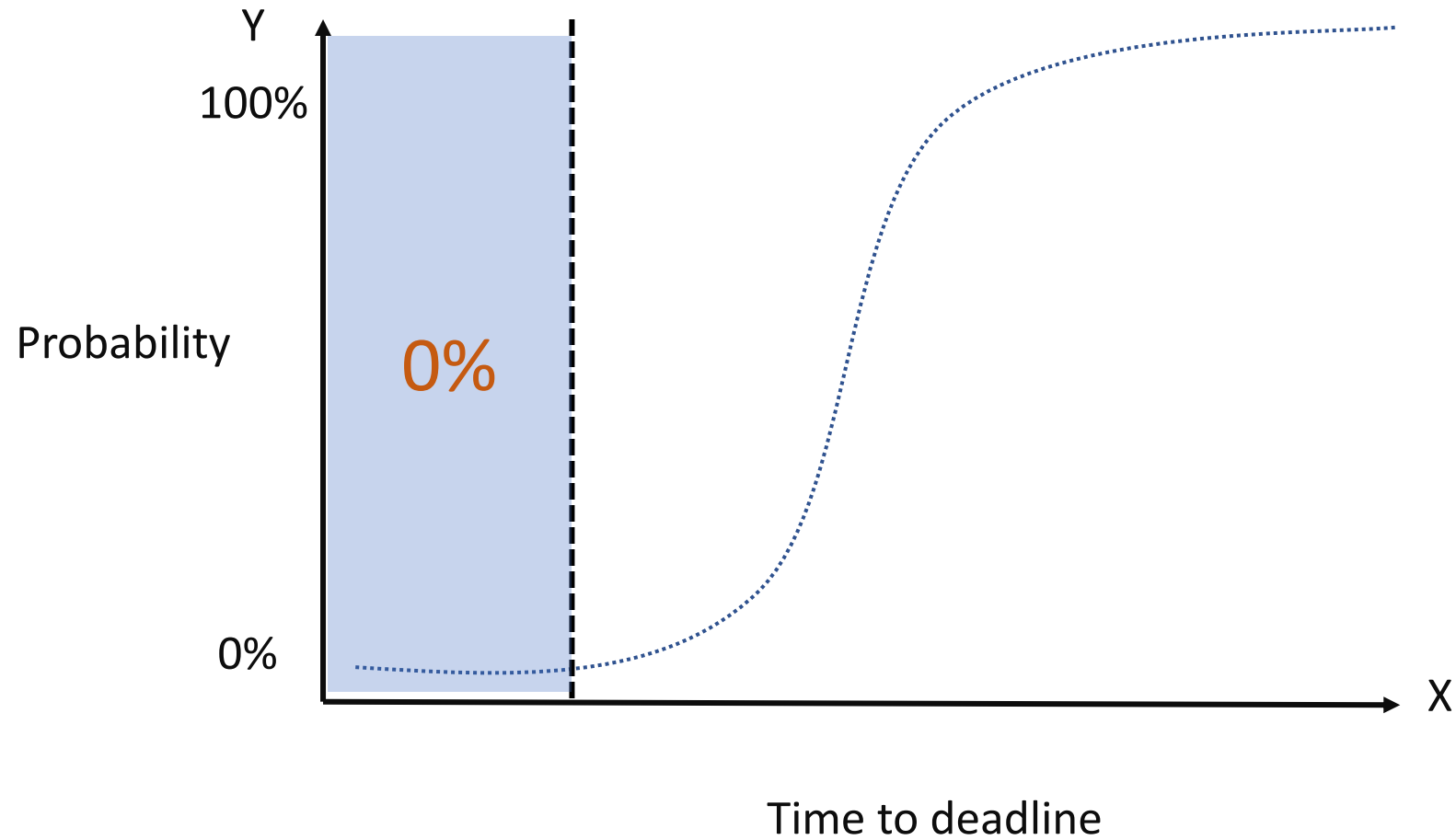


Logistic Regression helps find how probabilities are changed by action

Working Smart with Logistic Regression

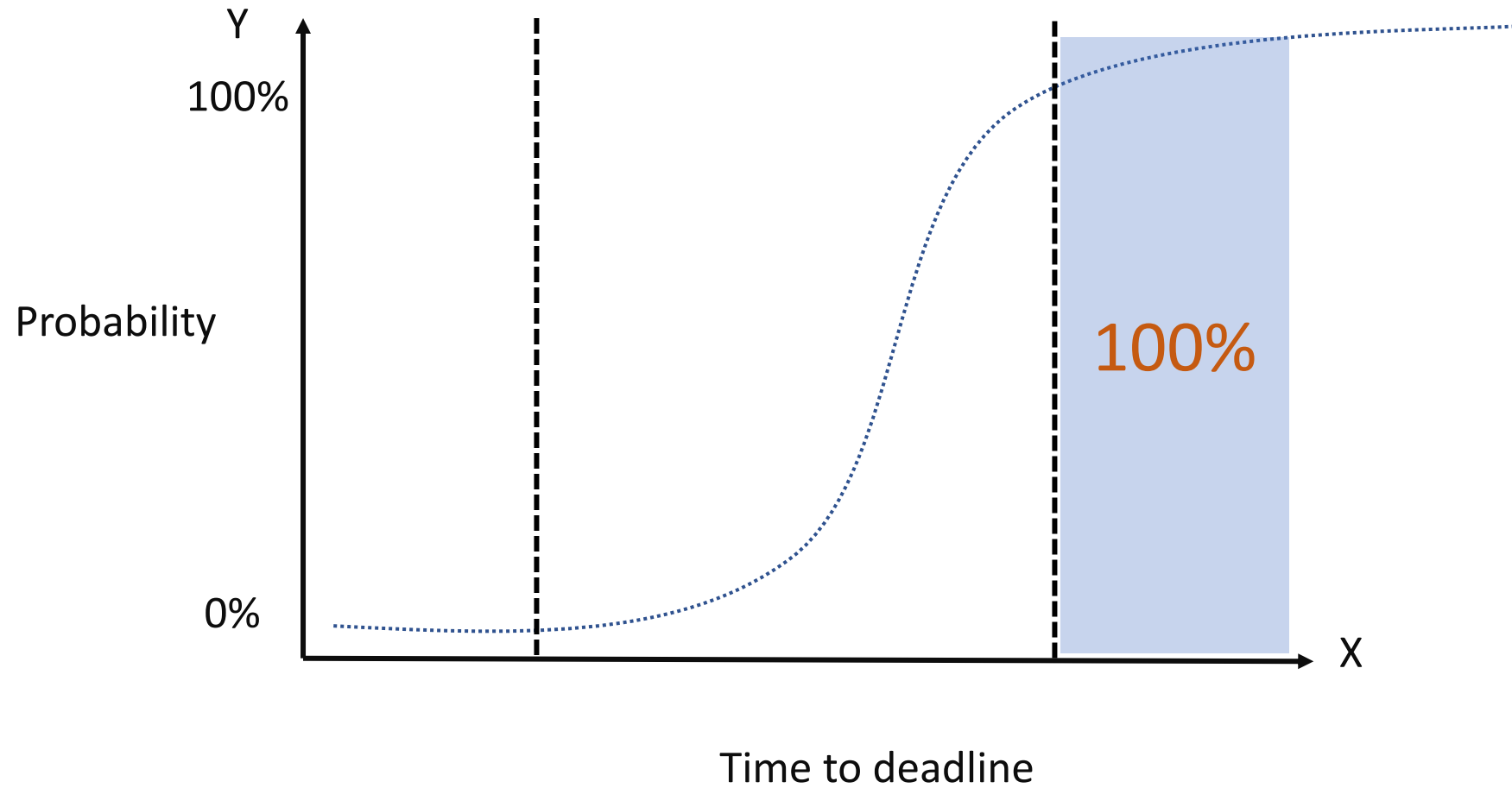


Working Smart with Logistic Regression



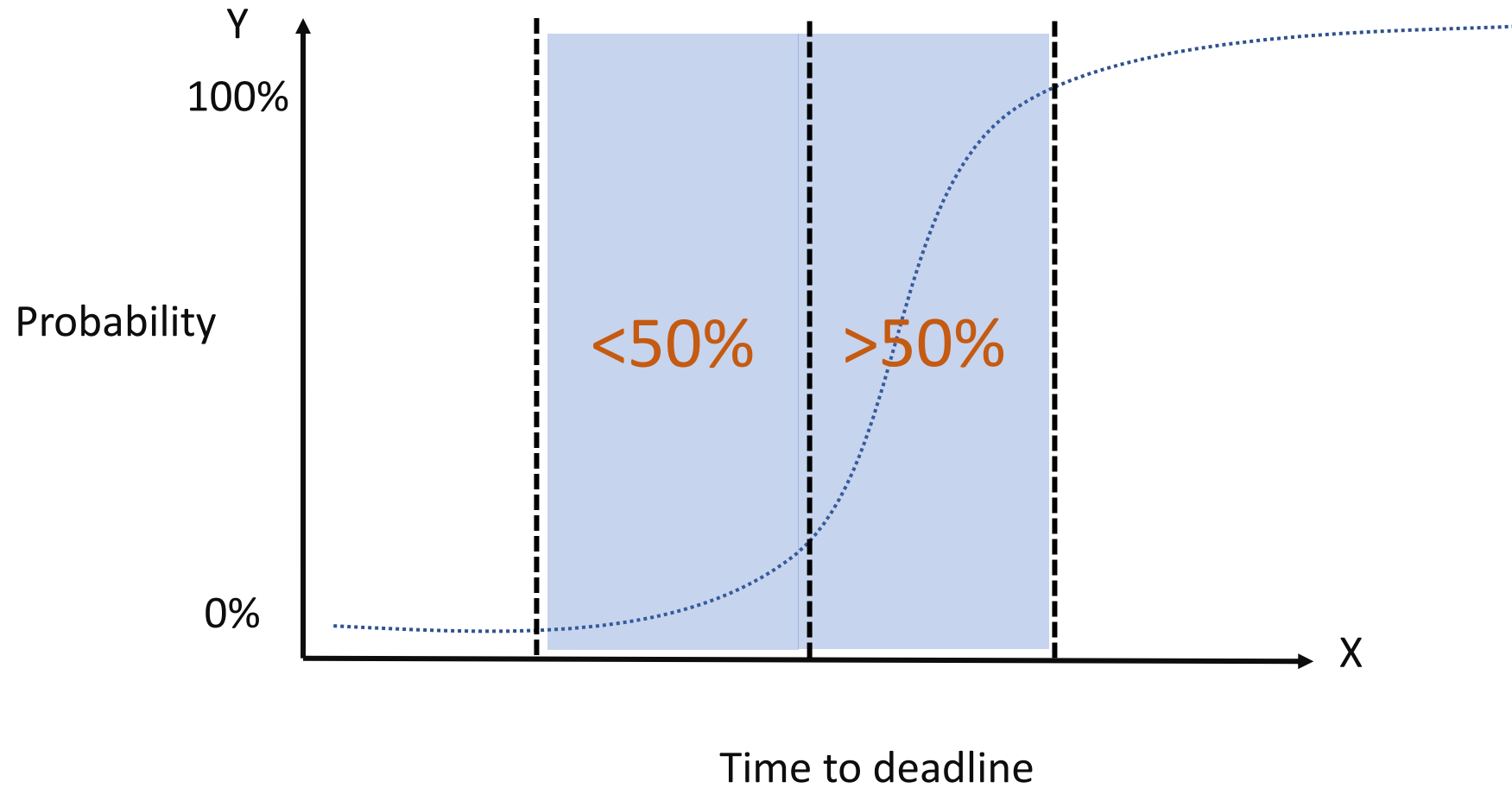
Start too late, and you'll definitely miss

Working Smart with Logistic Regression

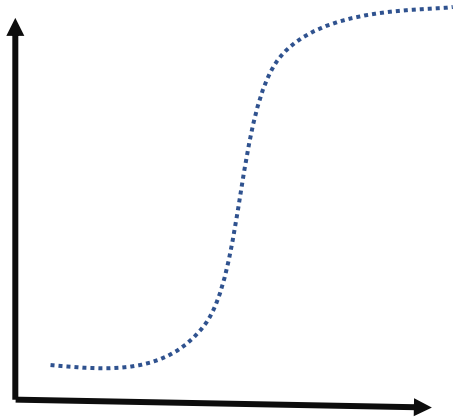


Start too early, and you'll definitely make it

Working Smart with Logistic Regression



Working smart is knowing when to start



y : Hit or miss? (0 or 1?)

x : Start time before deadline

$p(y)$: Probability of $y = 1$

$$p(y_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(A+Bx_i)}}$$

Logistic regression involves finding the “best fit” such curve

- A is the intercept
- B is the regression coefficient

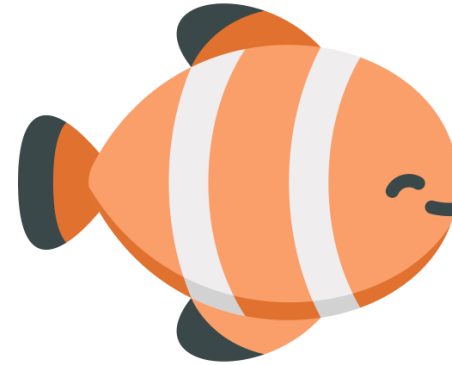
(e is the constant 2.71828)

Whales: Fish or Mammals?



Mammals

Members of the
infraorder Cetacea



Fish

Look like fish, swim
like fish, and move
like fish

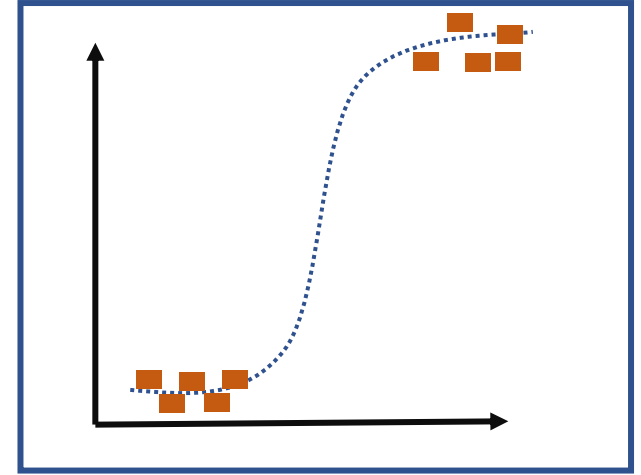
ML-based Predictor



Corpus



Logistic regression



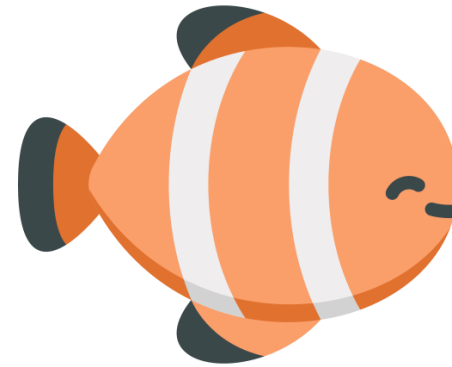
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Applying Logistic Regression



Mammals



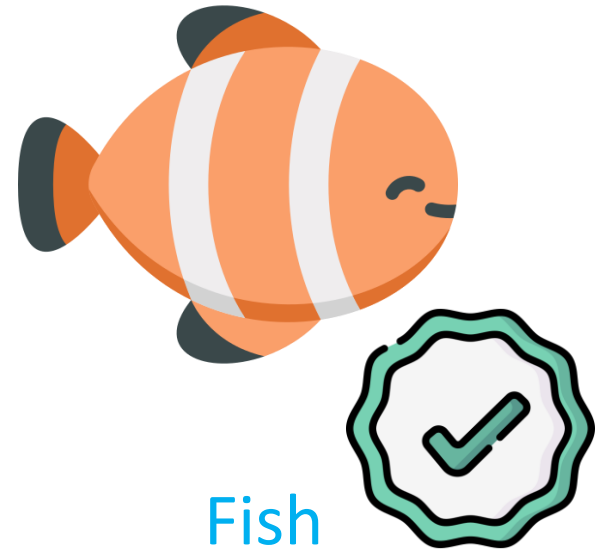
Fish

Probability of whales being fish $< P_{\text{threshold}}$

Applying Logistic Regression



Mammals



Fish

Probability of whales being fish $> P_{\text{threshold}}$