



Machine

Learning

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Announcements

- **Read Chapter 3 in textbook**
- **Quiz date: Thu, Feb. 13**

Loss Functions

Loss Functions

$$\vec{x}_i = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$$

Input

y_i
Output

Goal: Evaluate hypothesis on training data (how bad?)

↑ Loss (worse) ↓ Loss (better)

Loss = 0 → Perfect

Examples

0/1 Loss

Count the mistakes

Usually use normalized 0/1 Loss

⇒ fraction of misclassified samples ("training error")

$$L_{0/1}(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(f(x_i))$$

where $\delta(f(x_i)) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f(x_i) \neq y_i \\ 0 & \text{if } f(x_i) = y_i \end{cases}$
non-continuous "impractical"
miss-classified

Absolute Loss

$$L_{Abs}(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |f(x_i) - y_i|$$

MAE, L1
"Manhattan" Norm

- non-negative
- grows linearly w. misclassification
- typically useful for (noisy) regression ← more robust to outliers

Squared Loss

$$L_{sq}(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) - y_i)^2$$

MSE, L2

RMSE: Euclidean Norm

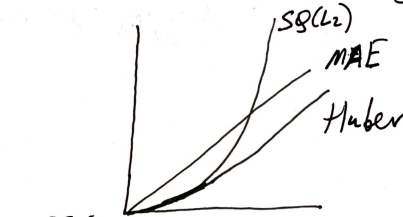
- non-negative
- grows quadratically w. missed predictions [Ordinary Least Squares]
- useful for regression
→ estimates mean given x_i

Huber

$$L_{\delta}(a) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} a^2 & |a| \leq \delta \\ \delta(|a| - \frac{1}{2}\delta) & |a| > \delta \end{cases}$$

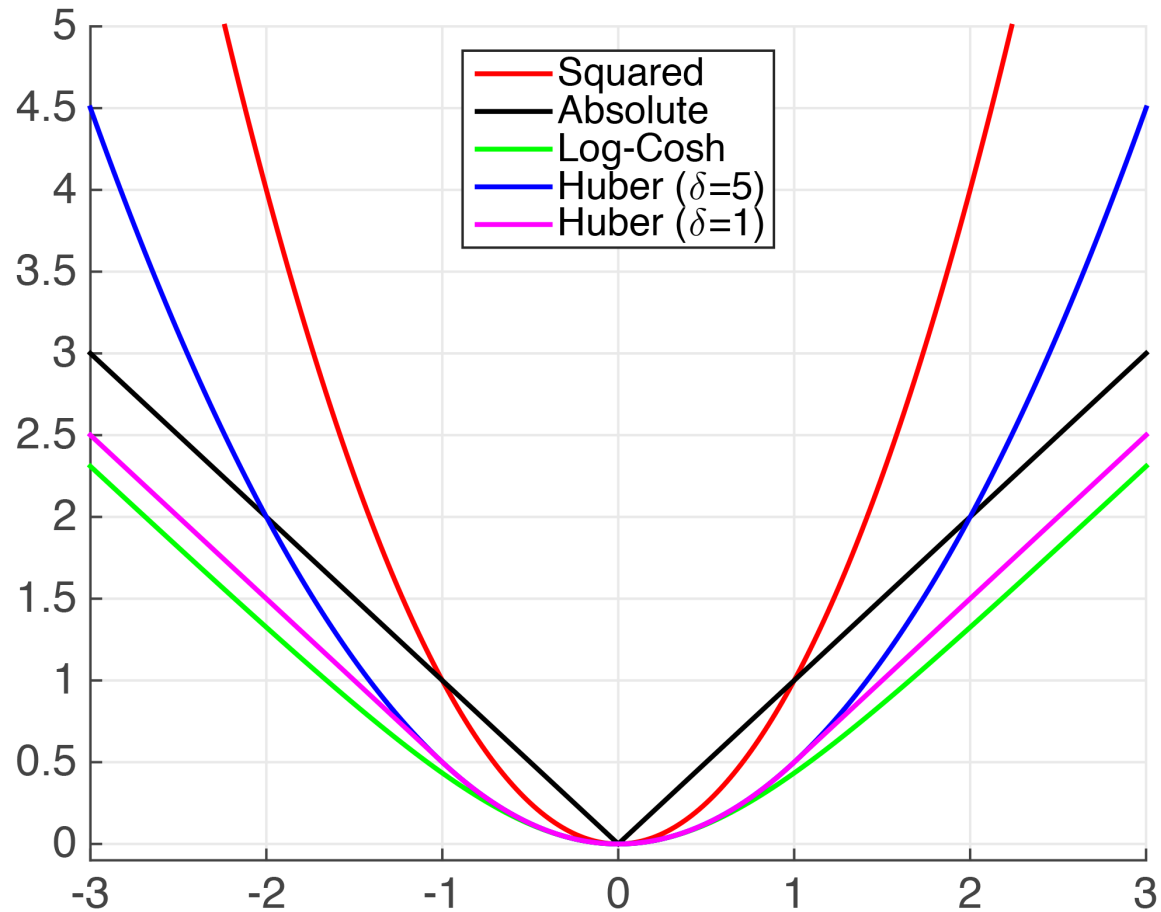
$a = y - f(x)$
"residual"

- quadratic for small x
- linear for large x



→ "best of both worlds"

Loss Functions



Cross Entropy

$$L_{CE} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log(\hat{y}_i) + (1-y_i) \log(1-\hat{y}_i)$$

Log loss binary class.

$f(x)$
probability 1

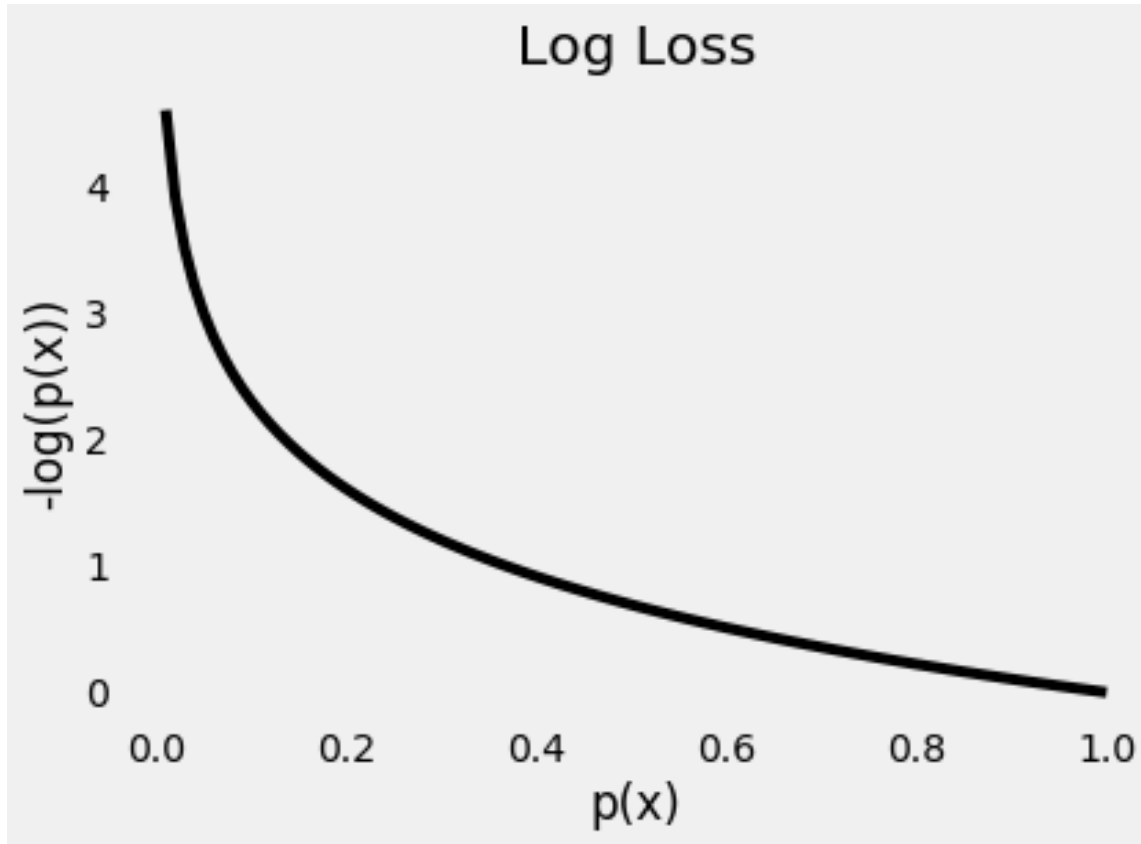
convex

↑ loss

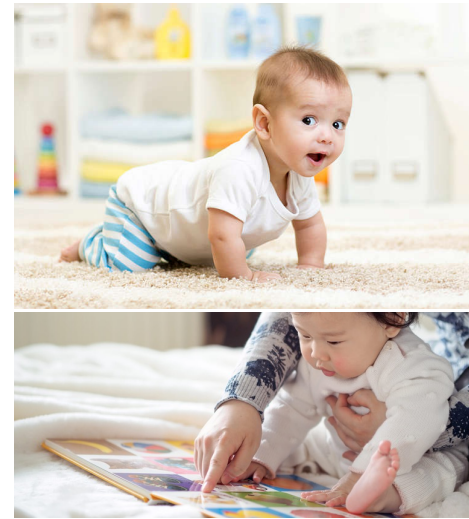
$y_i = 0$
 $y_i = 1$

$\log(1 - f(\vec{x}))$
 $\log(f(x))$

Cross Entropy



Types of Learning



Typical Learning Tasks

Classification

- Put in categories (classes) based on inputs

Regression

- Estimate a function/predict a numeric value

Learning Types

Human supervision?

Supervised

Unsupervised

Semi-supervised

Reinforcement learning



Offline? Incrementally?

Building a predictive model?

model-based or **instance-based**

[Un]Supervised Learning

How much supervision during training?

- **Supervised** (100% expert labeled)
- **Unsupervised** (unlabeled – learn on your own)
- **Semi-supervised** (partially labeled)
- **Reinforcement Learning**
 - Learning system observes environment and gets rewards based on actions (i.e. training your dog)
 - “Agent” identifies policy that maximizes reward

Online vs. Offline Learning

How much data during training?

- **Offline (batch)** – train on all available data
 - Expensive for large datasets
- **Online (incremental)** – small mini-batches
 - Learn on the fly
 - Good for limited resources

Model vs. Instance Learning

How to Generalize?

- **Instance (based)**
 - similarity measure compared to labeled examples
- **Model (based)**
 - build a predictive model
 - then apply to unknown instances

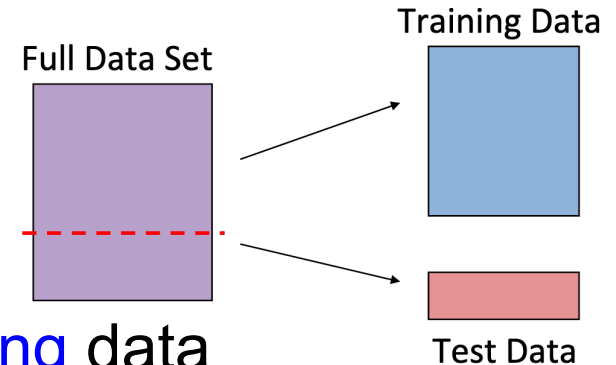
Train vs. Test Data

How to Generalize:

- **Split the data**

- Learn on **training** data
- Evaluate performance on **testing** data
- Easy to overfit the training data
- **Care more about test accuracy than train accuracy**
 - i.e. generalization is key

- **Soon** – we will add another split to optimize the model
 - **Validation** set



Hyperparameter Tuning

Fine-tuning the model

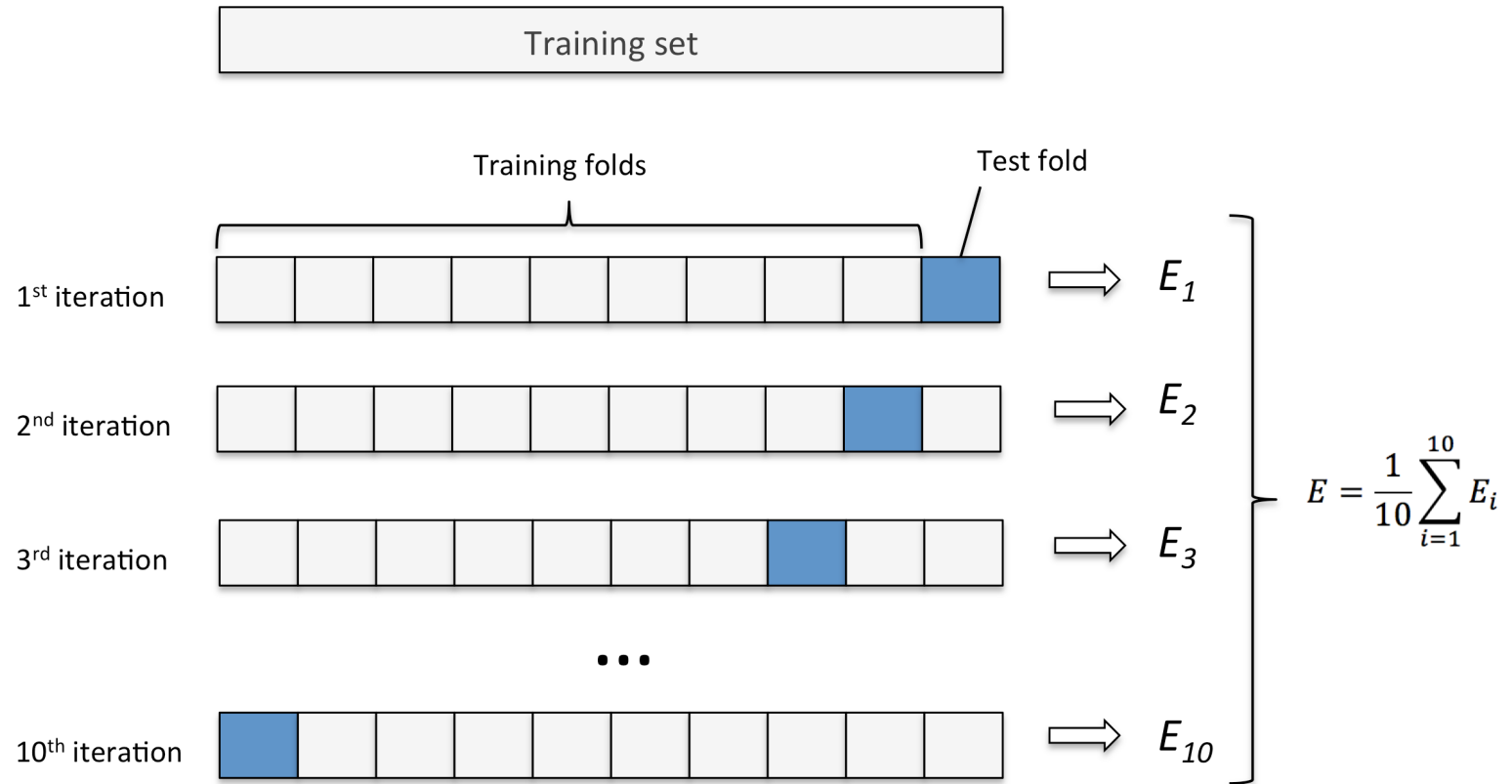
- Hold out a “**validation**” set
- Evaluate model with **varying hyperparameters**
 - A hyper-parameter is a parameter of the learning algorithm not of the model

Cross Validation

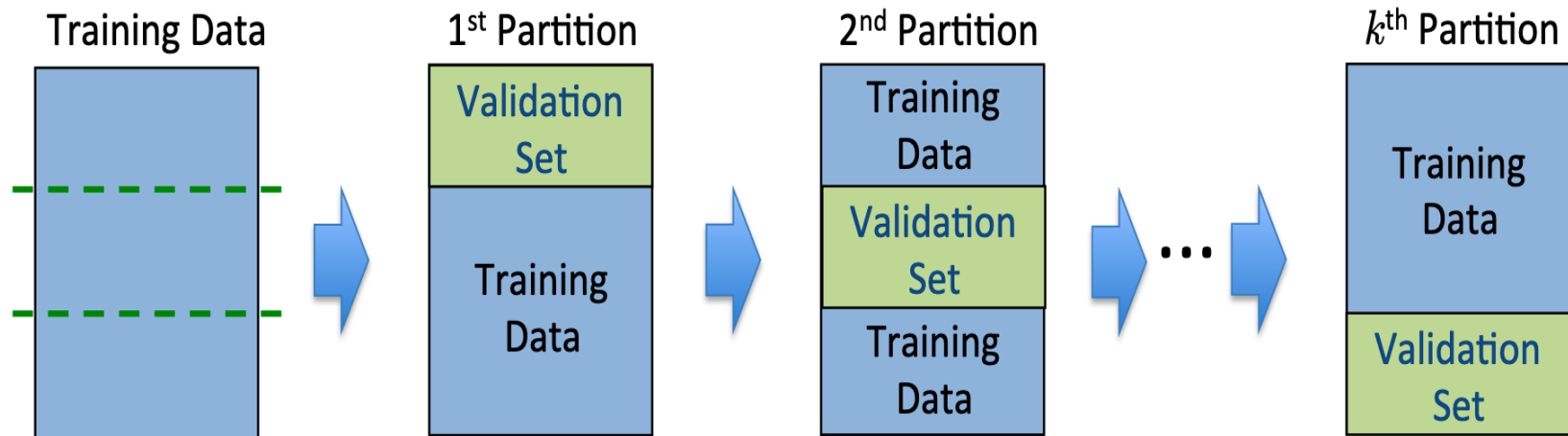
Generalization of train-test split for more accurate evaluation of **classifier performance**

- Randomly split dataset into **K equal partitions**
- In each fold use **K-1 samples to train, leftover to test**

Cross Validation



HPT with Cross Validation



Choose Model Parameter with highest validation performance

Cross Validation

How to tell if a model is

- too simple or too complex?

Training Data

Test Data

Model

Bad

Bad

Underfitting

Good

Bad

Overfitting

CONSTRUCTING CLASSIFIERS

Goals

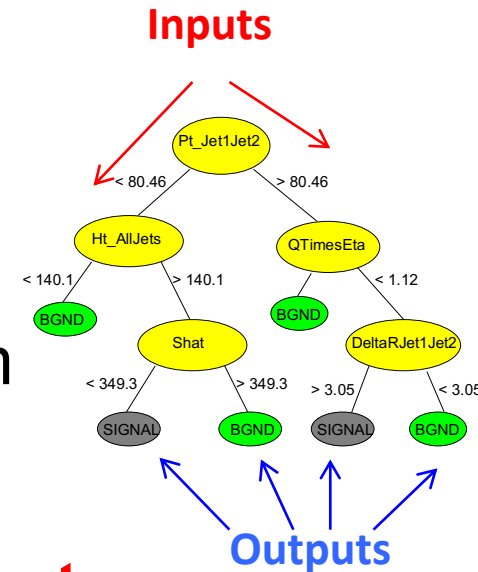
Distinguish $f(x)$, $g(x)$ using training set of observations

{**inputs** , **outputs**}

Pass observations to a learning algorithm
neural network, decision tree

that produces **outputs** in response to **inputs**

Use another set of observations to evaluate



Classification

Primary Goal:

Achieve **lowest probability** of error on unseen cases $\{<x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}>\}$

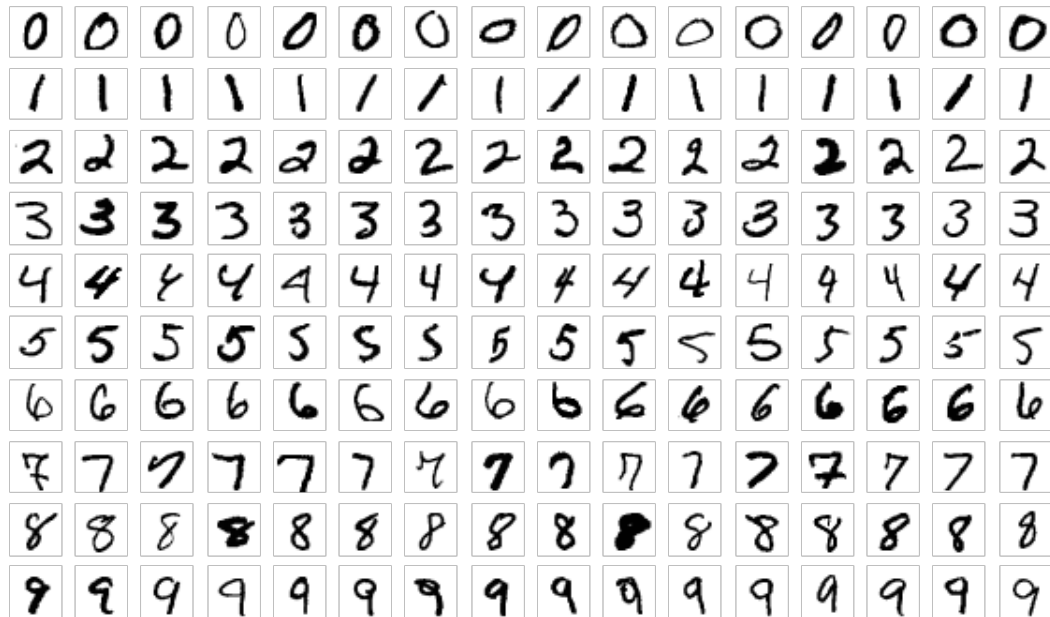
Supervised Approach:

Inductively learn from labeled examples (where classes are known)

MNIST DATASET

70k labeled handwritten digits

- 28 x 28 pixels with intensity [0 – 255]



Classification Metrics

$$\text{accuracy} = \frac{\# \text{ correct predictions}}{\# \text{ test instances}}$$

$$\text{error} = 1 - \text{accuracy}$$

Performance Measures

Accuracy

- limited value if dataset is skewed

More metrics:

- **MSE** or **RMSE = $\sqrt{\text{MSE}}$** for regression
- **Binary cross-entropy (BCE)** for classification

Confusion Matrix

Confusion Matrix

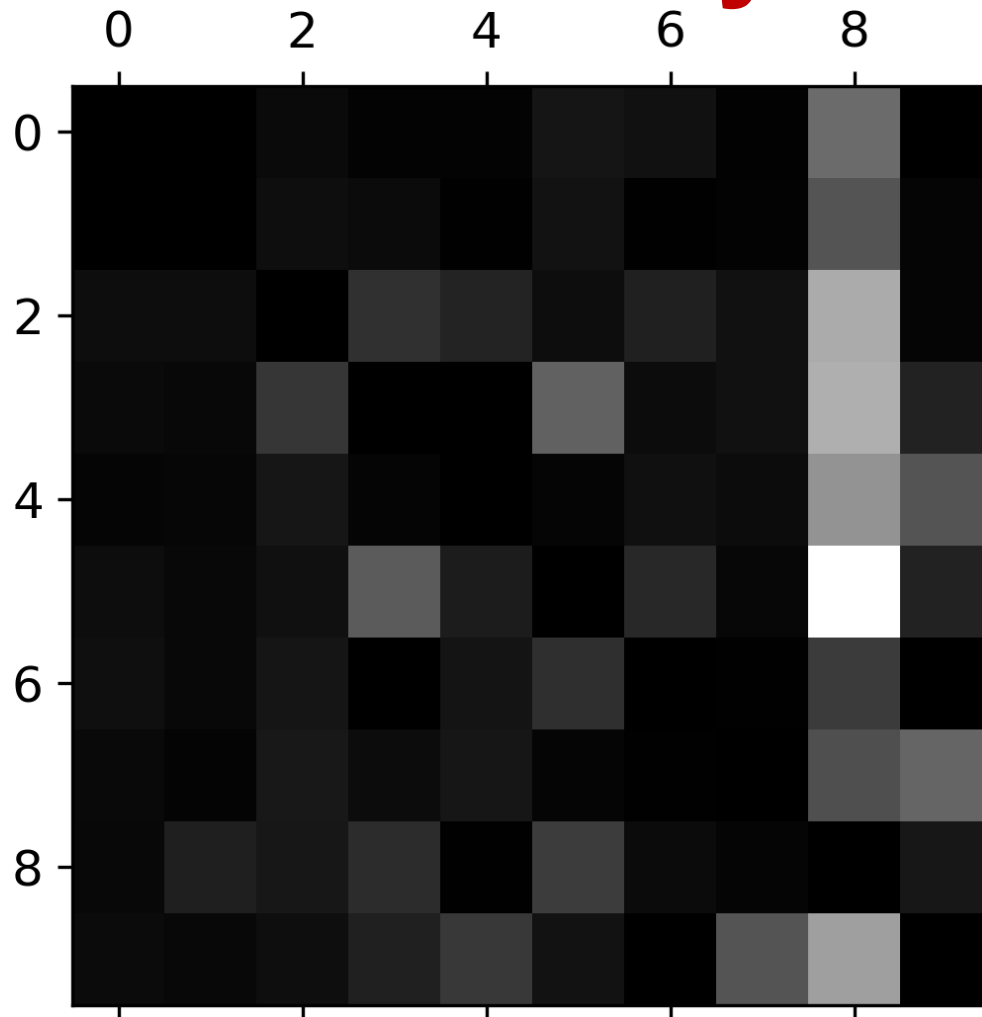
Visualize correct and incorrect classifications

		Predicted Class	
		Yes	No
Actual Class	Yes	TP	FN
	No	FP	TN

$$\text{accuracy} = \frac{TP + TN}{P + N}$$

P positive, N negative cases

Error Analysis



Precision and Recall

$$\text{Precision} = TP / (TP + FP) \quad (\text{Eqn. 3.1})$$

$$\text{Recall} = TP / (TP + FN) \quad (\text{Eqn. 3.2})$$

TP = True Positive

FP = False Positive

TN = True Negative

FN = False Negative

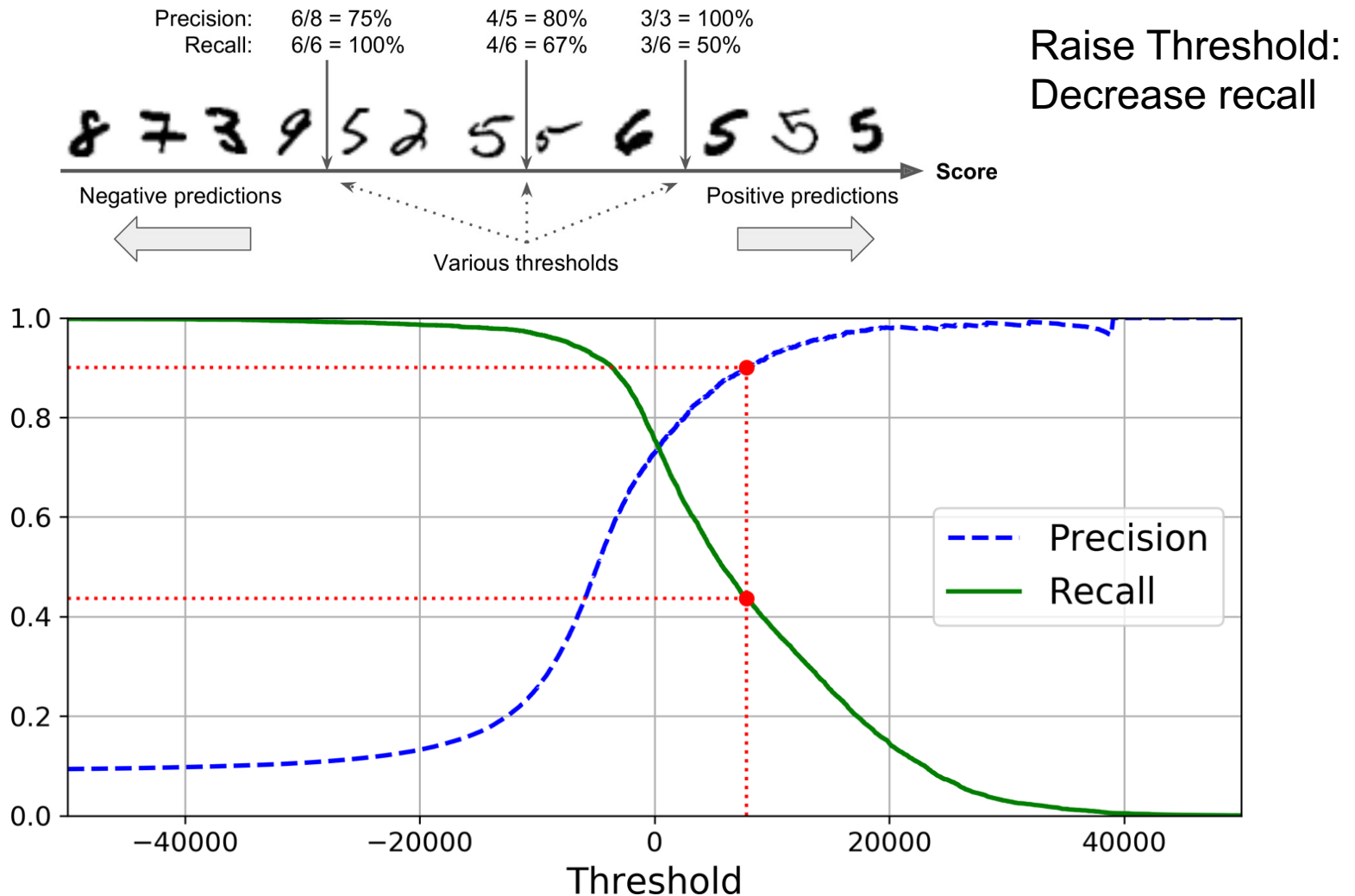
$$\text{precision} = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

$$\text{recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

Precision = True Positive / Predicted Positive

Recall = True Positive / Real Positive

Precision and Recall Trade-off

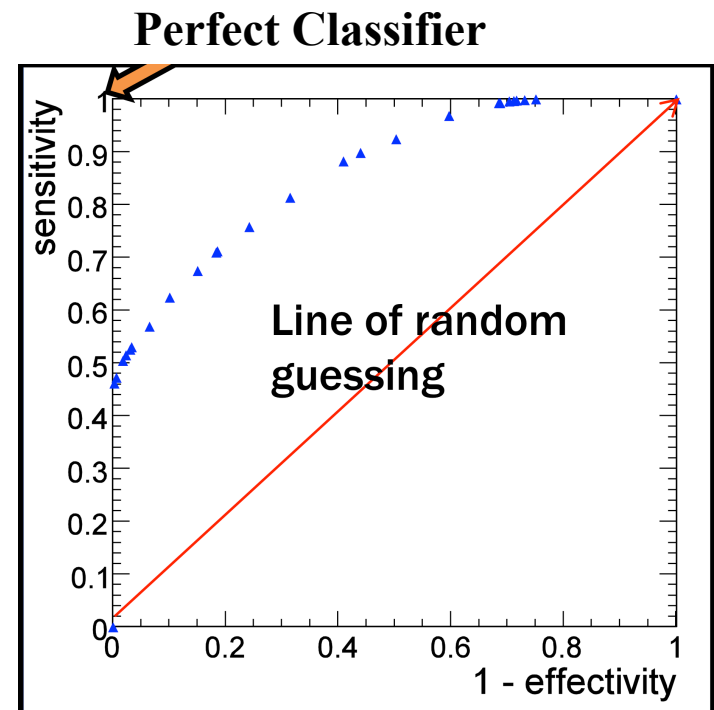


ROC Curve

Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC)

Commonly used metric

Shows the **relationship** between correctly classified positive cases **TPR (sensitivity)** and incorrectly classified negative cases **FPR (1-effectivity)**



ROC Curve

Machine Learning

Algorithm choice sets hypothesis Class H

- Goal: find the best function within H
 - eg. one that makes the fewest “mistakes”
 - Optimization problem via a learning process
- Evaluate?
 - Loss (Risk) Function on training data
 - Many possible loss functions:
 - Squared
 - Absolute - choice depends on the problem!
 - Cross-entropy

Hands-on Activity