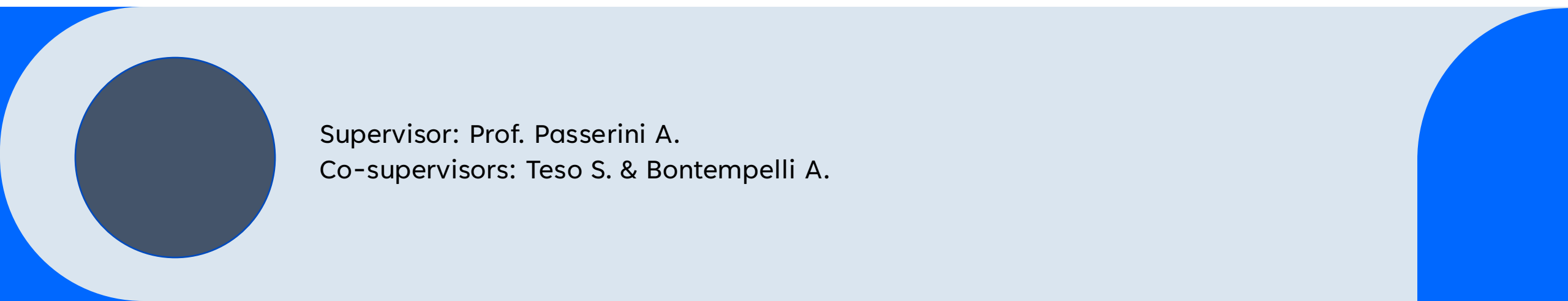




# Evaluating a label clearing AI algorithm

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# ML: Sequential learning

**Sequential learning** is a type of learning in which one part of a task is learnt before the next.

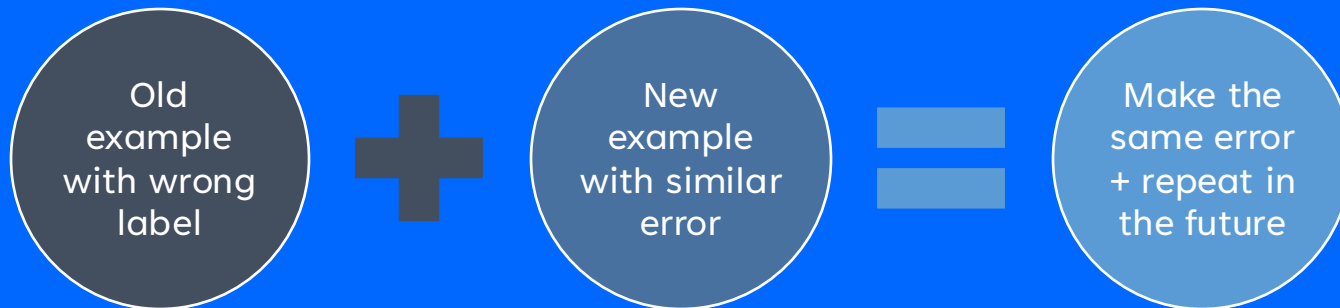
Example: Understanding how a dog looks like receiving one image at the time

# Problem: Label noise

1



2



Overall:

- decrease model performances predictions
- increase the complexity of learning model

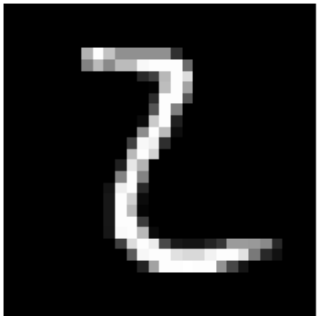
# Solution? Skeptical learning (SKL)

1. Recognize a suspicious example
2. Identify an example responsible for the mistake (aka counter-example) **explaining why** it has been chosen
3. Correct the example **and/or the counter-example**

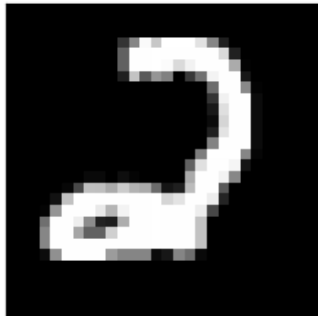
\*New features from CINCER

# What is a counter-example?

True label "2"  
Annotated as "2"  
Predicted as "8"

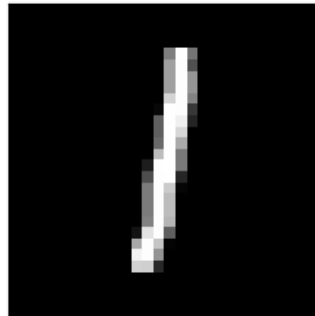


True label "2"  
Annotated as "8"



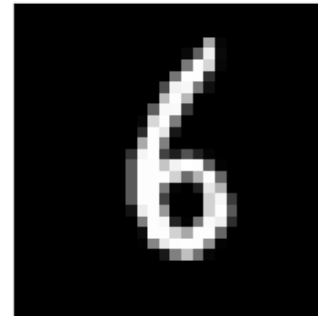
CINCER

True label "1"  
Annotated as "8"



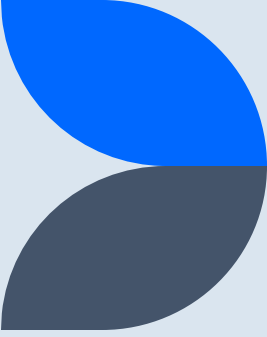
1-NN

True label "6"  
Annotated as "8"



IF

# Algorithms description



## 1-NN (Nearest Neighbor)

- The simplest one
- Uses the Euclidian distance image's pixels
- Counter-examples not necessarily useful to the machine

## IF (Influence function)

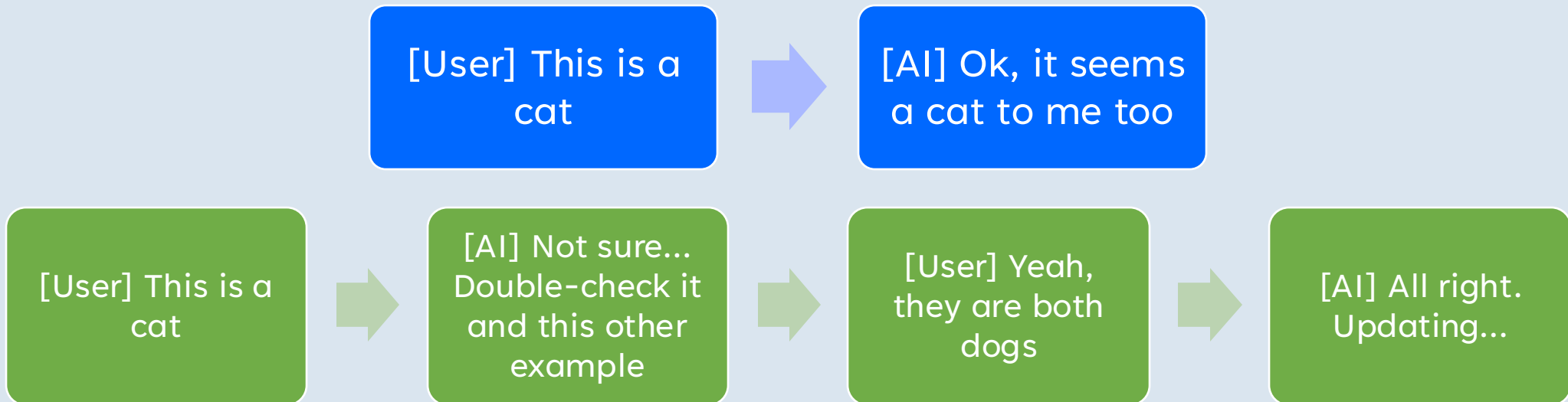
- Focus on counter-examples that influence the most the machine skepticism
- Too slow for an interactive environment

## CINCER

- Approximation of IF
- Substitute the Hessian matrix with the Fisher information Matrix (FIM)
- Quicker than IF, suitable in an interactive environment

**Algorithm 1** Pseudo-code of CINCER. **Inputs:** initial (noisy) training set  $D_0$ ; threshold  $\tau$

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1: fit  $\theta_0$  on  $D_0$ 
2: for  $t = 1, 2, \dots$  do
3:   receive new example  $\tilde{z}_t = (x_t, \tilde{y}_t)$ 
4:   if  $\mu(\tilde{z}_t, \theta_{t-1}) < \tau$  then
5:      $D_t \leftarrow D_{t-1} \cup \{\tilde{z}_t\}$  ▷  $\tilde{z}_t$  is compatible
6:   else ▷  $\tilde{z}_t$  is suspicious
7:     find counterexample  $z_k$  using Eq. 2.11
8:     present  $\tilde{z}_t, z_k$  to the user
9:     receive possibly cleaned labels  $y'_t, y'_k$ 
10:     $D_t \leftarrow (D_{t-1} \setminus \{z_k\}) \cup \{(x_t, y'_t), (x_k, y'_k)\}$ 
11:  fit  $\theta_t$  on  $D_t$ 
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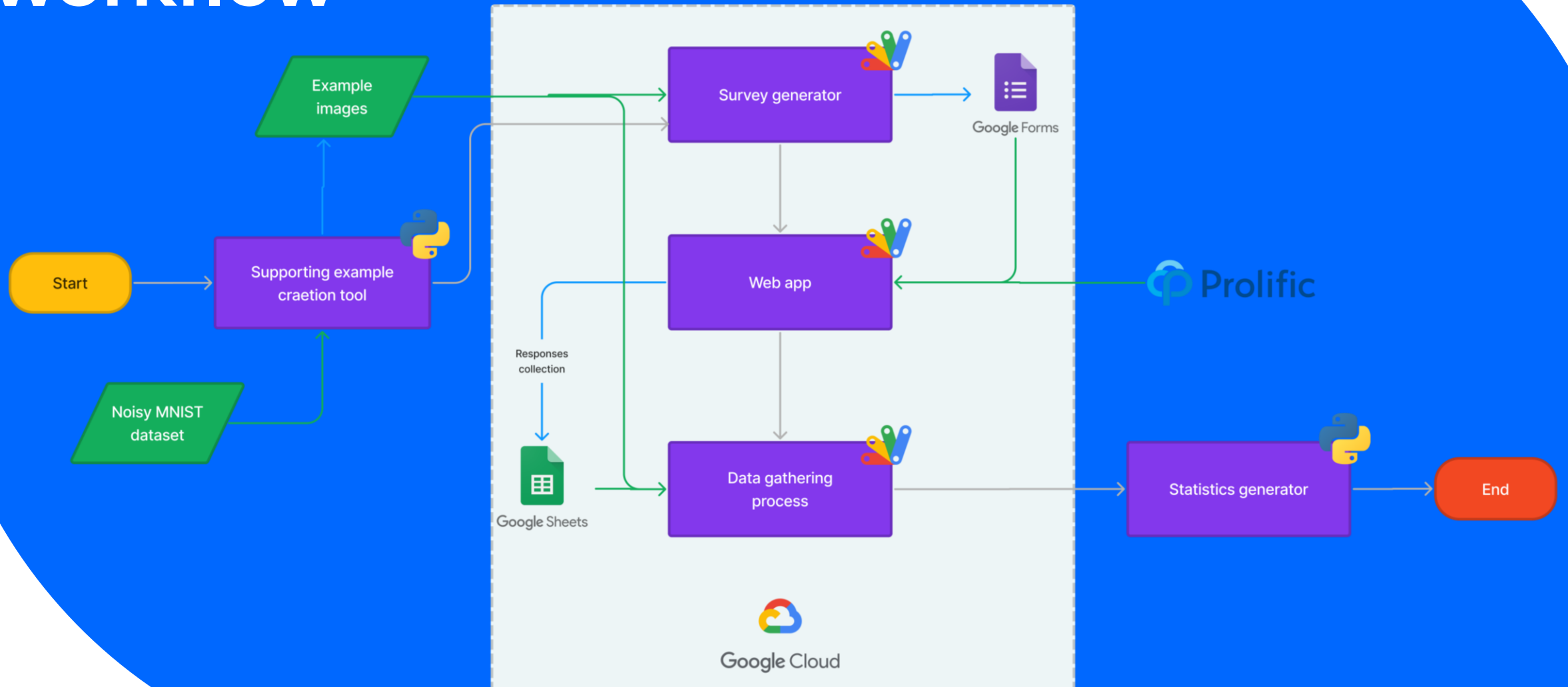
# The missing gap

The **evaluation** of CINCER has been only simulated!

My internship fill this gap.

I developed a whole process to prove the effectiveness of CINCER in a real enviroment, comparing the performances of **CINCER**, **IFs**, and **1-NN** with 100 real users.

# Project workflow



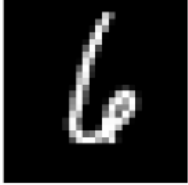
# Example question

Structure:

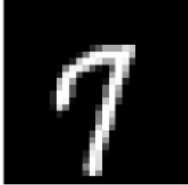
- No algorithm to counterexample reference
- Multiple-choice question
- Sharp separation between example and counter-examples

### Example 1


The machine thinks it's a "6".



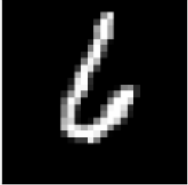
Supporting examples for machine's prediction



#1



#2



#3

Which counterexample(s) is(are) more convincing for you?

☐ #1

☐ #2

☐ #3

☐ None of them

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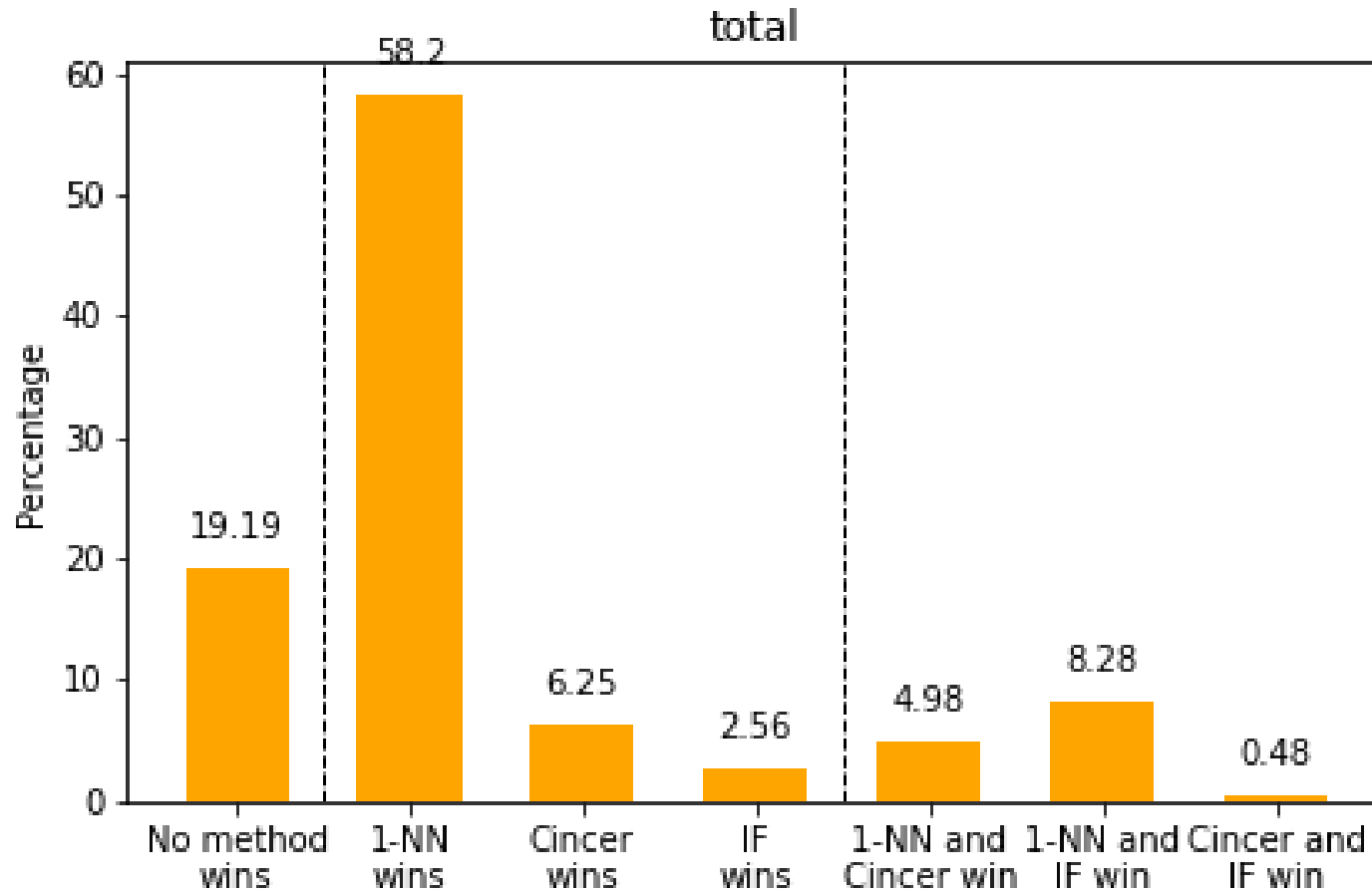
# Data gathered

Structure:

- Algorithm to choice link
- Image link
- Anonymized data

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# Results: average selection over all the examples



- **1-NN counter-examples are the closest to the human eye**
- **CINCER counter-examples are more interpretable in respect to IF's**
- **No instance where the 3 methods are selected together**