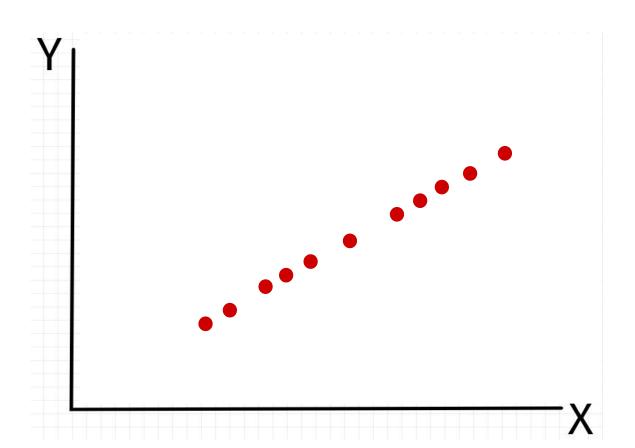
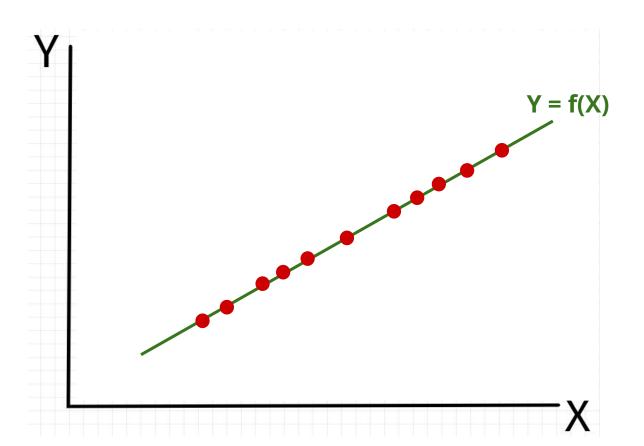
# Introduction

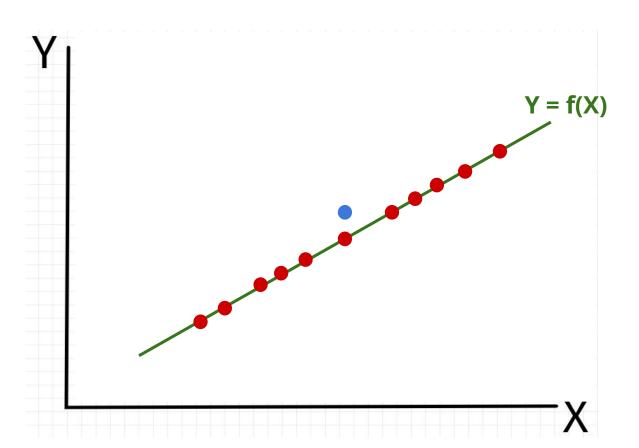
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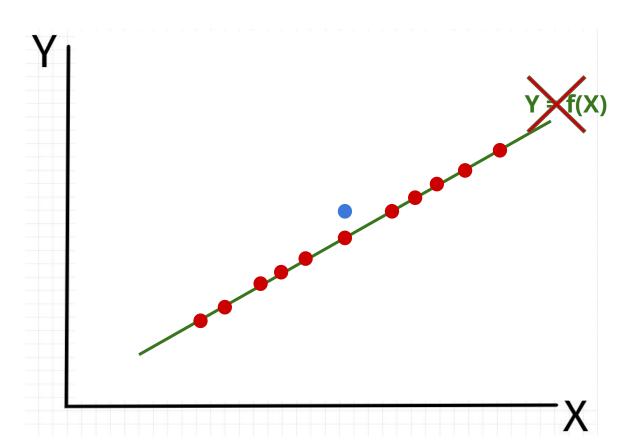
#### **Data Science**

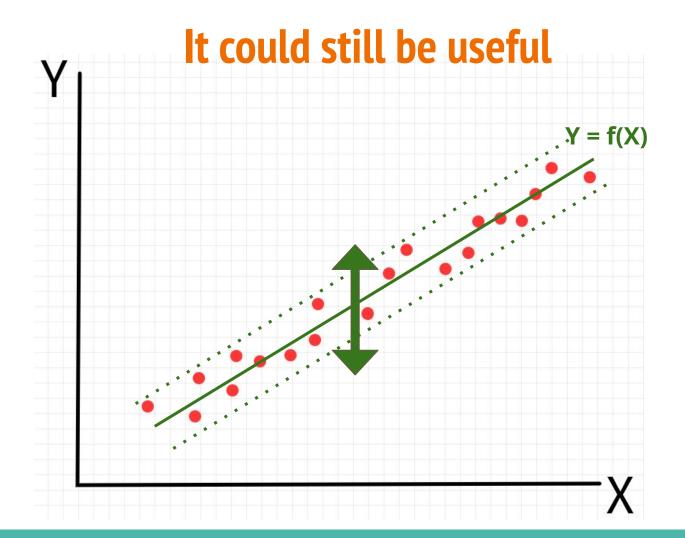
- Collection of methods and tools that allow for extracting knowledge from data
- Cross-disciplinary:
  - Math
  - Statistics
  - Computer Science
  - Domain Expertise
- Know what you don't know!











In a class just like this one, imagine playing the following game...

I announce "(2, 4, 6) follows the rule".

Here are the examples submitted by one of the participants:

- (2, 4, 3) -> NO
- (6, 8, 10) -> YES
- (1, 3, 5) -> YES

After which, they proceed to write down their hypothesized rule. Would you have wanted to try more examples? If so, which and for what reason?

Let's take a poll:

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A. (100, 102, 104)
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- B. (5, 7, 9)
- C. (1, 2, 3)

Challenges of Data Science:

- A set of examples may not always be representative of the underlying rule
- There may be infinitely many rules that match the examples provided
- Rules and/or examples may change over time

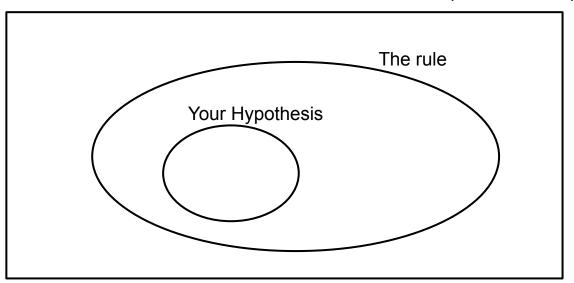
So Data Science is VERY DIFFICULT!!! All models are wrong but some are useful

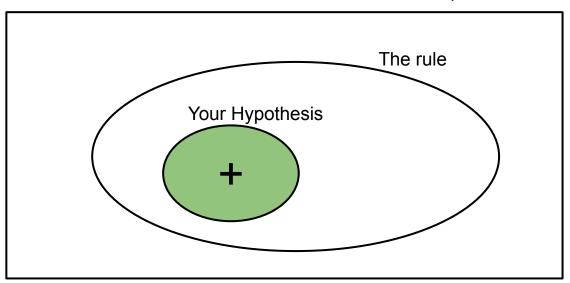
Positive Examples VS Negative Examples

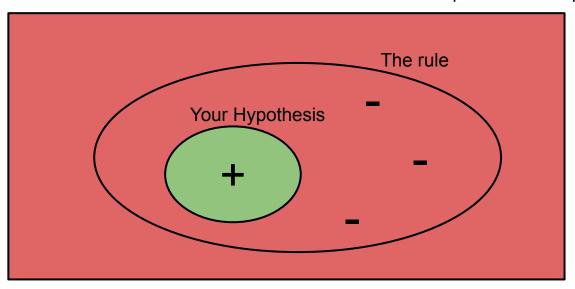
assuming the hypothesis h is (x, x+2, x+4) which type of examples are the following:

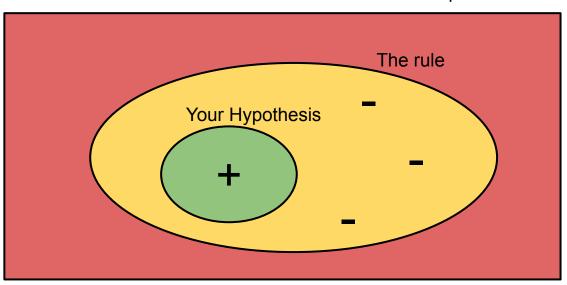
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- Both positive and negative examples can falsify a hypothesis
- Tendency to choose positive ones over negative ones









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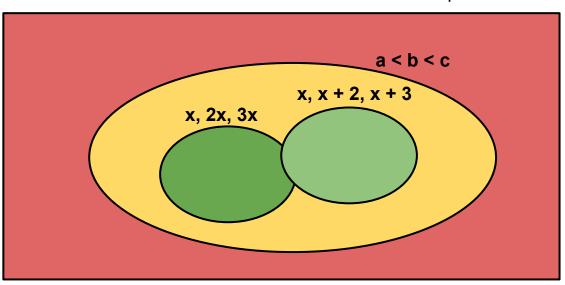
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The rule was (a < b < c).

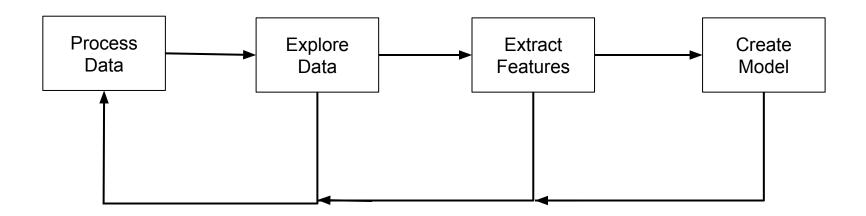
If you only tried positive examples of either (x, x + 2, x+4) or (x, 2x 3x) you would only get confirmation.

For reference, this exercise was first introduced by Wason P.C in 1960 as part of a journal in experimental psychology.



# Predict a student's gpa

### Data Science Workflow (simplified)



# **Types of Data**

### **Types of Data - Records**

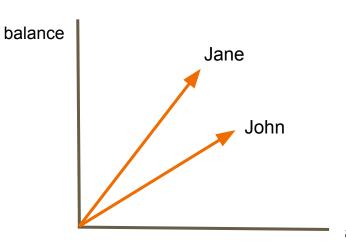
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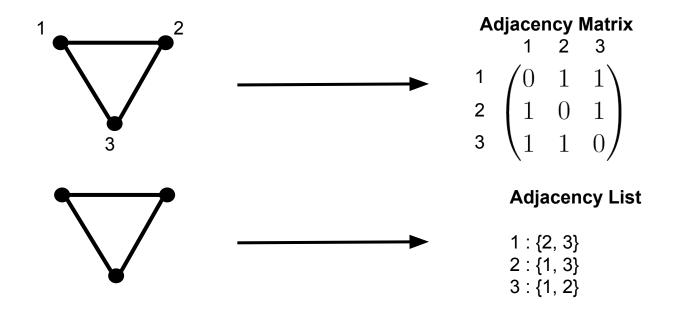


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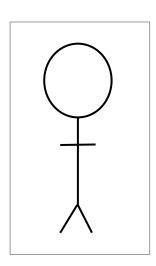
## **Types of Data - Graphs**

Nodes connected by edges

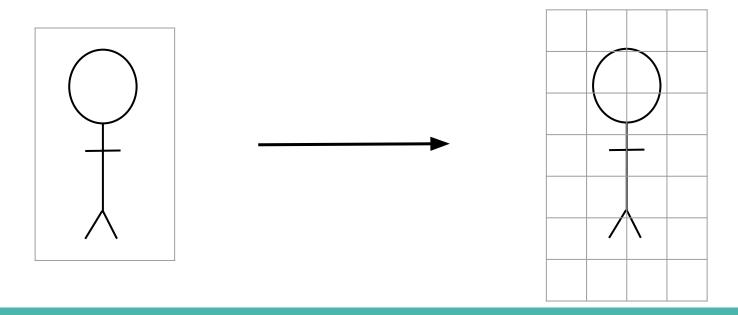
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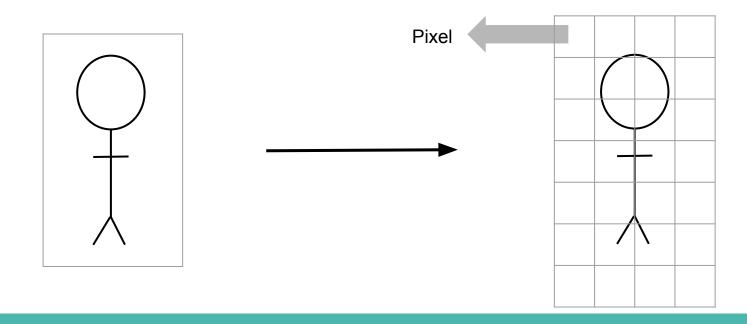
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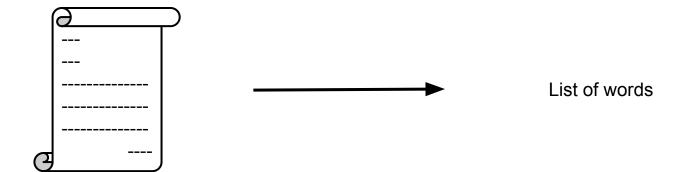
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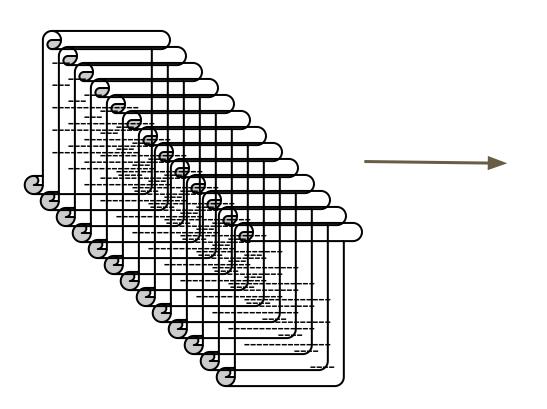
# **Types of Data - Images**



## **Types of Data - Text**



## **Types of Data - Corpus of Documents**

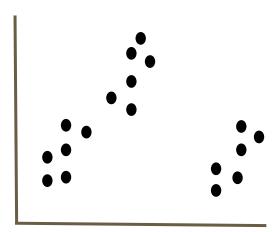


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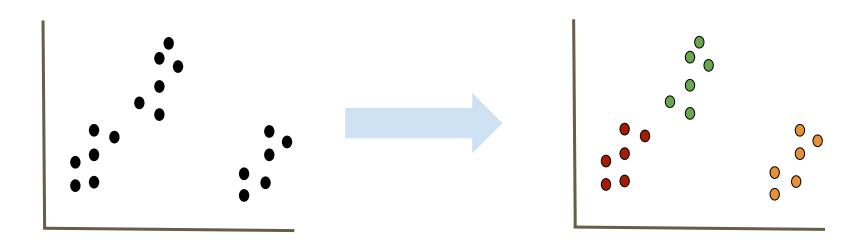
# **Types of Learning**

- Unsupervised Learning
- Supervised Learning

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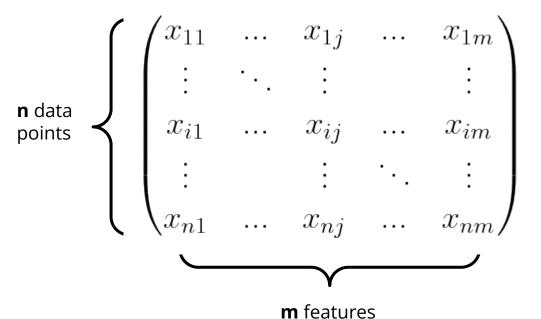


Goal: Find interesting structure in the data



This type of unsupervised learning is referred to as clustering

What are some linear algebraic properties of the matrix of data? What does that tell me about the data?



Dataset: Collection of Articles

Question: Are these articles covering the same topics?

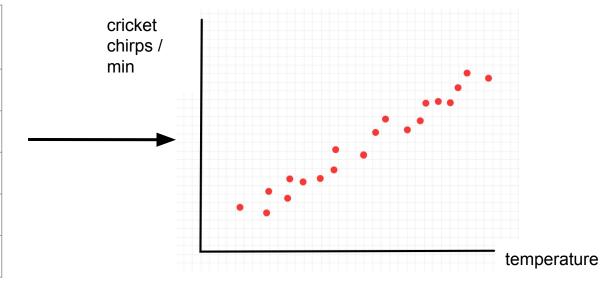
#### **Unsupervised Learning**

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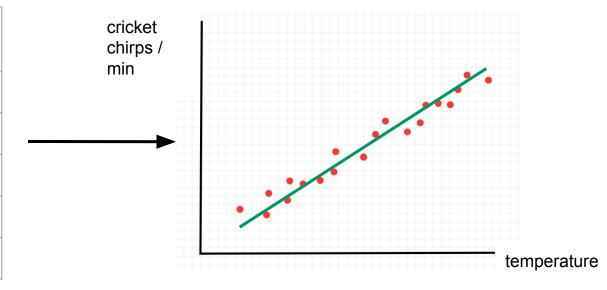
- Better understand / describe the data
  - a. Data exploration / visualization step
  - b. Find anomalies
  - Recommender Systems (similar users might be recommended the same things, emails similar to those marked as spam could be spam etc.)
- Extract Features
- 3. Fill in gaps in data
  - a. Data preprocessing step
- 4. Make learning algorithms faster
  - a. Get rid of noise

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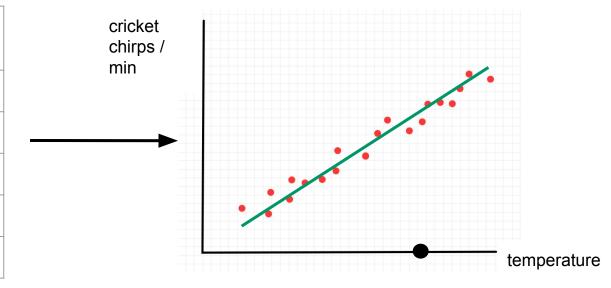
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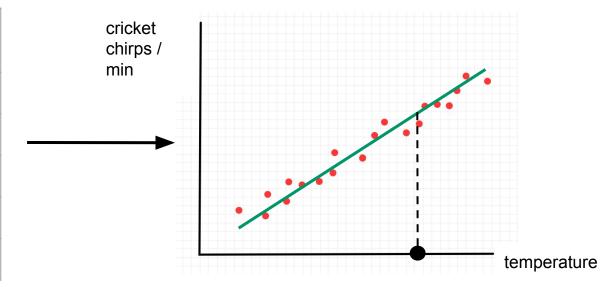
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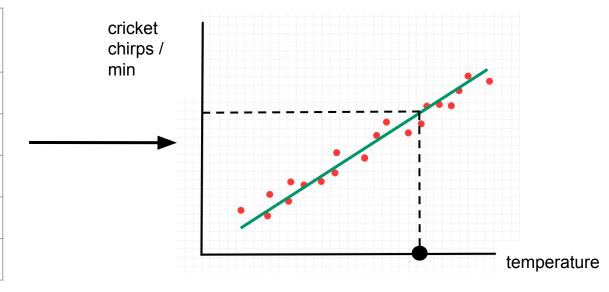
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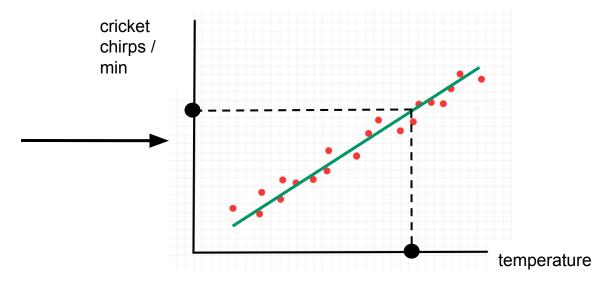
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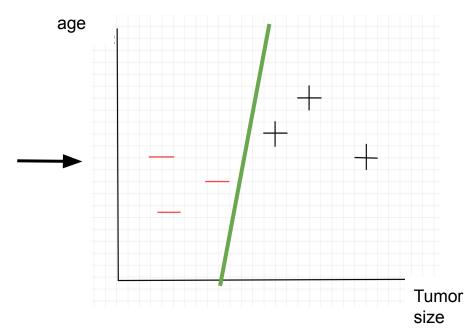
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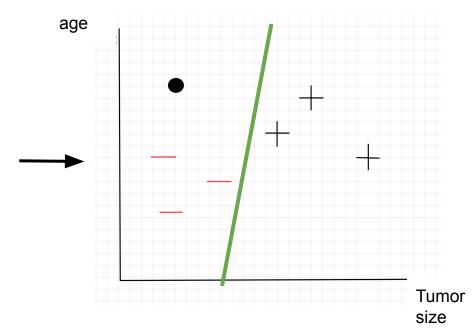
This type of supervised learning is referred to as regression

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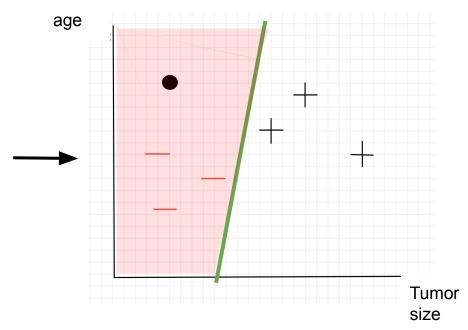
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