# go ahead, make my data

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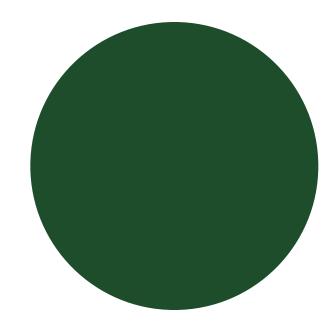
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### Thanks Isaac and Nick!

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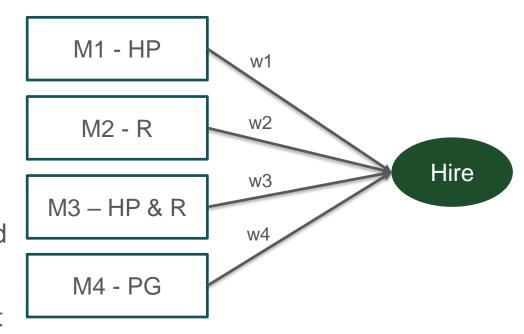


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Final approach, with code

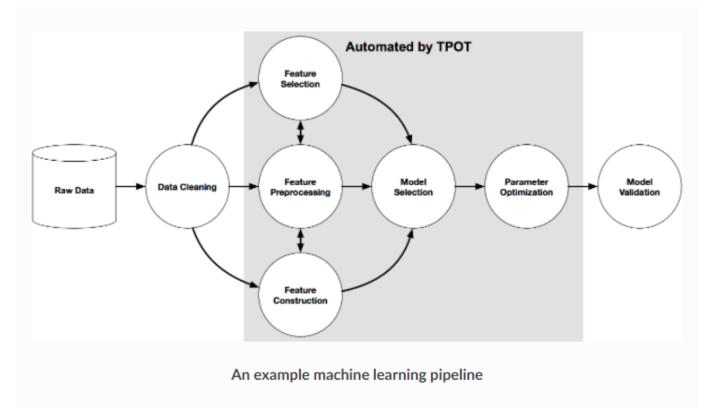
## Initial approach ("no code")

- Missing data handled via median imputation
- Dump all the data in (Putka, Beatty, Reeder, 2018)
- Weighted model voting to handle multiple criteria
  - Each logistic regression model predicts a single outcome
  - Predicted class probabilities combined via weighted average to yield hiring decision
  - Weights established through trial & error on dev set



### Final approach ("with code")

- Logistic Regression models swapped with ML Algorithms
- AutoML implemented using TPOT (Le, Fu, & Moore, 2020)







## Final problem set up ("with code")

Best pipeline: RandomForestClassifier(MinMaxScaler(input\_matrix), bootstrap=True, criterion=gini, max\_features=0.2, min\_samples\_leaf=6, min\_samples\_split=4, n\_estimators=100)

## Final problem set up ("with code")

- AutoML implemented using TPOT (Le, Fu, & Moore, 2020)
- "Rational" model weights assigned according to Expectancy Value Theory models

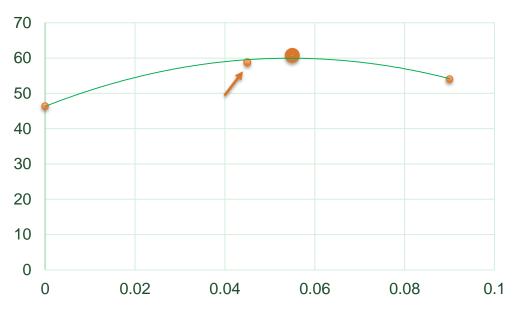
  predicting 1) HP, 2) R, and 3) HP & R

  # Average CV score on the training set was: 0.6283903675538657
  - Expectancy how probable outcome is Model Accuracy
  - Value how valuable outcome is Competition Parameters
  - E.g. weight assigned to High Performer model = (High Performer Model Accuracy) \* ½
- Protected Group weights "fudged" until Adverse Impact ratio was closest to 1 as possible
- Stuck with median imputation and "data dump"

## Epilogue

- "Each team can make a total of 5 submissions on the test phase, so use them carefully"
- As Protected Group model weight increases, Overall Score should increase and then decrease
  - Made 3 submissions of various weights to inform selection of final submission weight





#### Conclusion

- Perhaps maximizing diversity comes from predicting diversity directly
- Algorithm general techniques to fairness may have staying power
- "Be lazy" Thompson & Tonindandel (2018)
  - Usability of TPOT
  - "Science should be transparent, it should be inclusive"