

# Boosting

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Step 1: train a new  
weak (weighted)  
classifier

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Step 2: collect  
predictions; compute  
weighted error rate

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Step 3: compute  
classifier weight: the  
log-odds of a  
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Step 4: update the weights, focus more weight on those where  $Y * \hat{Y} = -1$

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Step 5: weight  
normalization

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Finally, the classifier  
does a weighted  
prediction; using  
alpha as the weights