

I DON'T TRUST LINEAR REGRESSIONS WHEN IT'S HARDER  
TO GUESS THE DIRECTION OF THE CORRELATION FROM THE  
SCATTER PLOT THAN TO FIND NEW CONSTELLATIONS ON IT.

How's my fit?

# Decoding



# 1. Decoding

Model types, SVM, cross-validation

# 2. EMG dataset

Breakout session

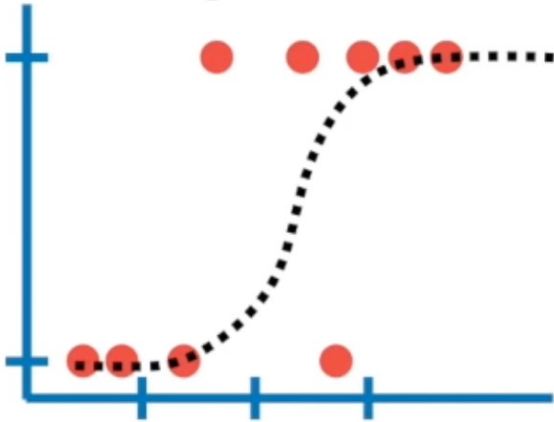
## In a nutshell

- Central aim is to identify an experimental stimulus category from patterns in the data (e.g., cats vs. dogs, werewolves vs. villagers)
- Operationalized by fitting a *supervised learning model* on n-dimensional data (“training”) (coordinates of points in space are usually called “features”)
- With model evaluation based on generalizability to unseen or new data points (“testing”) (i.e., “decoding accuracy”)

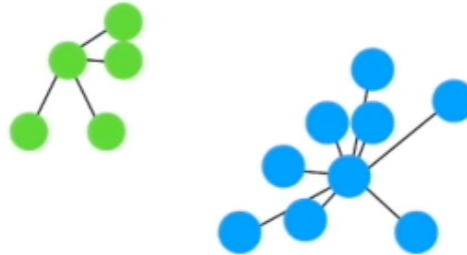
Revealing the presence of information in data

## Model types

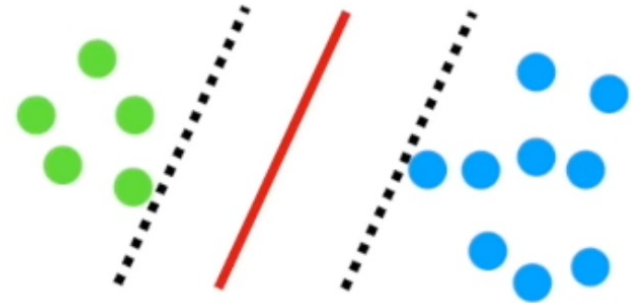
We could use Logistic Regression...



...or K-nearest neighbors...



...or support vector machines (SVM)...



HR (heart)	GSR (skin)	Talkativeness	Turn gap (ms)	Werewolf
80	17	average	190	
75	15	average	180	
93	12	average	200	
120	21	extreme	130	
70	10	average	180	

Choosing the appropriate supervised learning method

# Support Vector Machines



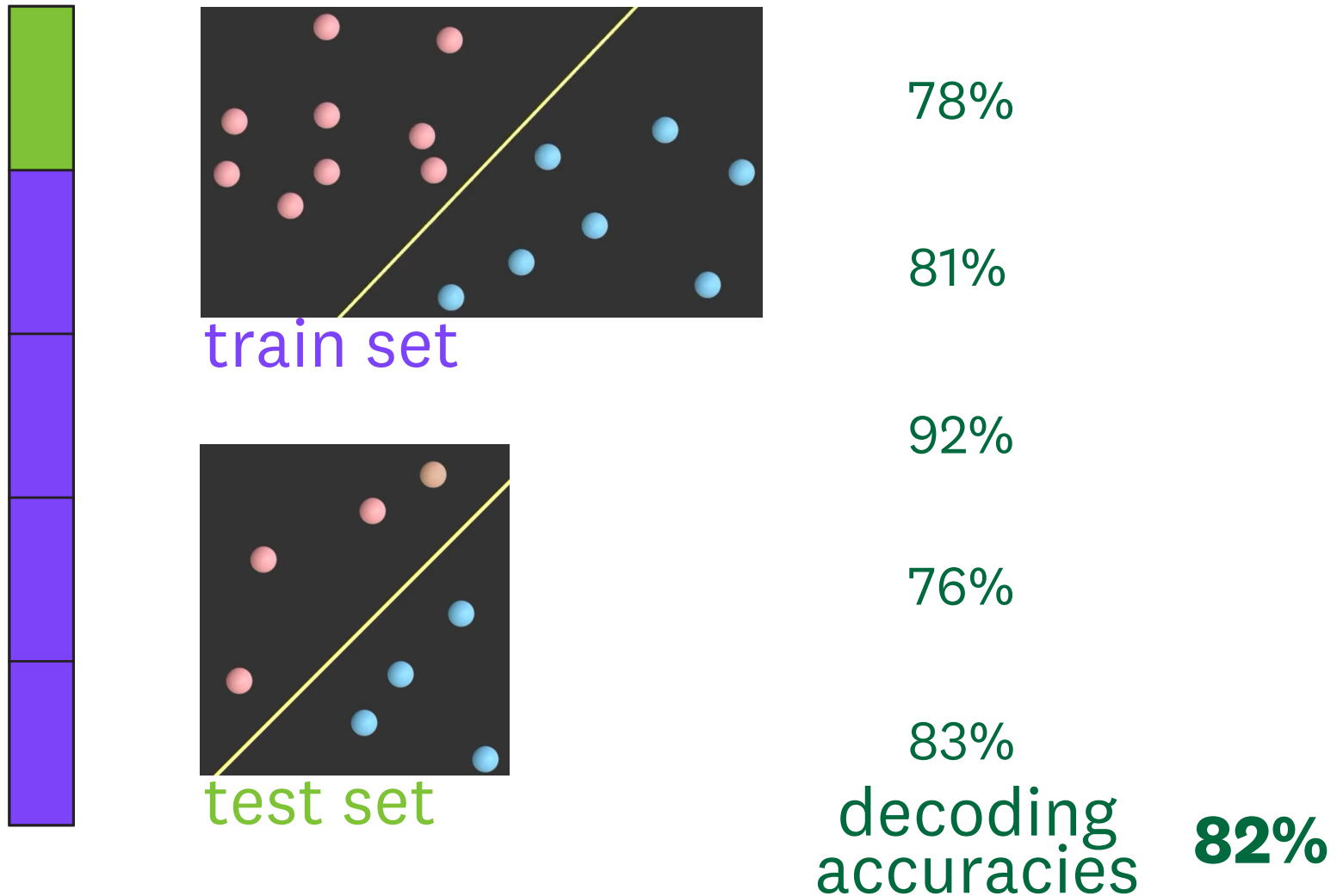
Carving out subspaces in feature space using hyperplanes

## Train vs. test set

- A suboptimal approach would be to use all of the data to estimate the model parameters  
(i.e., “train” the model)
- We need to know how the model will work on data it wasn’t trained on  
(otherwise, the model is useful in reference only to its initial dataset, and not to any other datasets – “overfitting”)
- Therefore, a part of the available data needs to be held out from training  
(i.e., the “test set”)

Holding out part of the available data as a test set

## Cross-validation



Rotation estimation for model evaluation



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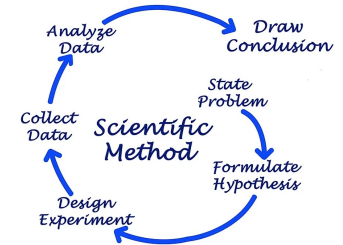
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- Decoding is about revealing the presence of (categorical) information in data

- *Wrap up Data Collection asap*
- *Start Data Analysis*
- *Hackathon next week*
- *No class this Wednesday*

# Planning



Week 7	Lab 7: Data Analysis	NO CLASS <i>Data Collection</i>
	Lab 8: Decoding	
Week 8	Hackathon	Research: Data Analysis
Week 9	Anatomy of a Paper	Research: Conclusion
Week 10	11/14  <i>Research Report due</i>	