# Legendary Pokemon: Gotta White Catch 'em All

(with Machine Learning)







## **Project Goal**



Predict if a Pokemon is legendary for new generations







## What is ?

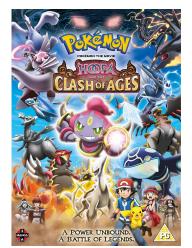
Pokémon is a Japanese media franchise that depicts trainers and fictional monsters that can battle in video games, animated television series, card

games, movies, mobile apps and other media.













# What are "Legendary" ?



Legendary Pokémon are extremely rare and powerful. They often have to do with legends of creation and destruction in their native regions.











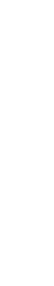


### **The Data**

 Mythical Pokemon and Ultra Beasts considered Legendary Pokemon

Made up of various statistics for Pokemon up to the seventh generation, including:

- Base egg steps
- Base happiness
- All base stats
- All base stats total
- Capture rate
- Experience growth
- Percent male





## Scrubbing the Data / Information We Didn't Use

- Legendaries can be all:
  - Types (electric, fairy, grass)
  - Weights
  - Heights

#### Memorization Issue

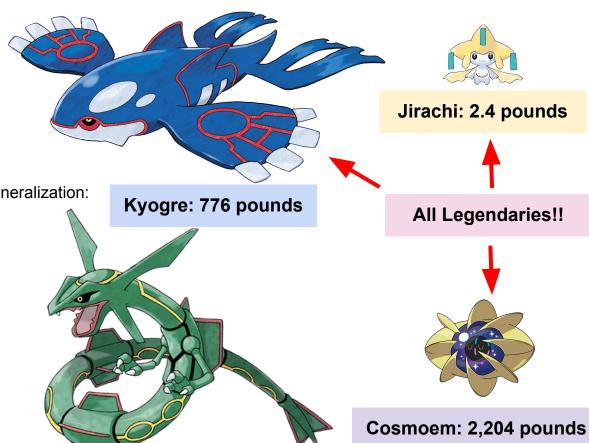
Useless categories for pokemon generalization:

> Name

- Pokemon Classification
- Pokedex Number
- Abilities

#### Challenges

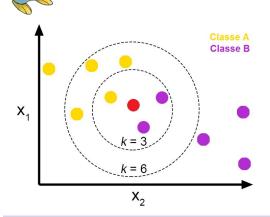
- Categories we had issues with:
  - Capture Rate
  - Percentage Male



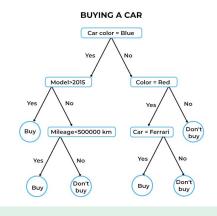
## What We Ended Up Doing

- **Tested several models** (*k* nearest neighbor, decision tree, svm, etc.)
- Best was the decision tree
  - > Roughly 99% testing accuracy across several training/testing splits

Decision trees have the advantage of being easy to tell what is going on behind the scenes

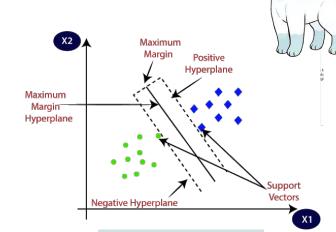


k Nearest Neighbor: 98.5%

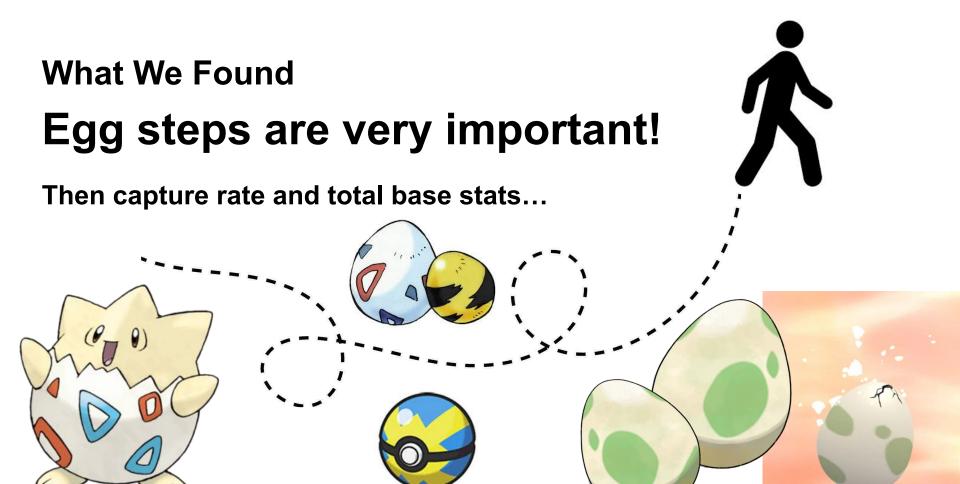


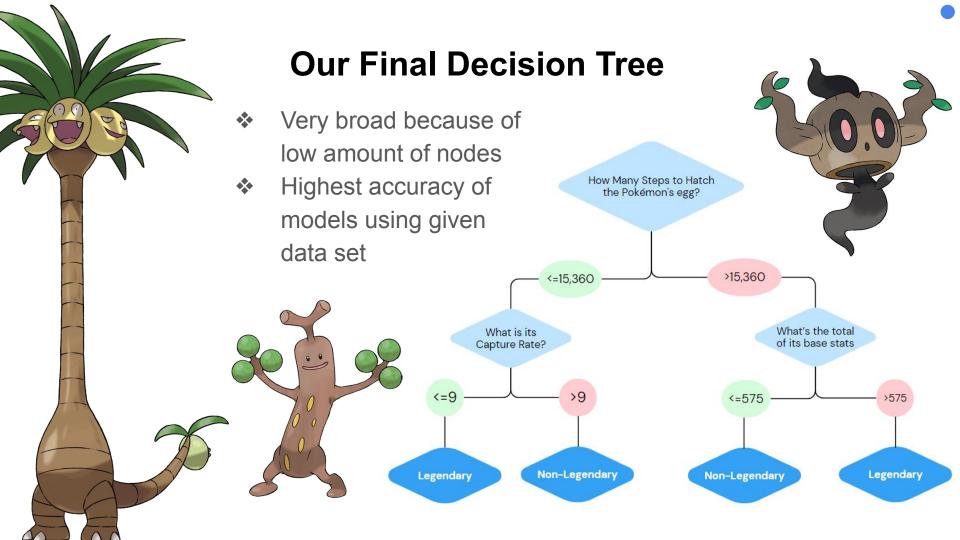
**Decision Tree: 99.5%** 

Random Forest: 98.5%



**SVM: 99%** 







Testing the Model on New Generations (8 & 9)

- The decision tree model was 100% accurate at predicting if a new Pokemon was legendary!!
- It even worked for paradox Pokemon!



	Legendary	Non-Legendary
Tree Predicted Legendary	18	0
Tree Predicted Non-Legendary	0	12

**Actually** 

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#### Paradox definition:

Pokemon found in Area Zero with high stats that are not classified as legendary pokemon



## Only One Legendary Pokemon Slipped Through

# Why?

#### Unknown steps to hatch egg:

Pecharunt's: ???

Average: ~ 5,000

Insane base stats:

Pecharunt's: 600

Average: ~ 436

#### **Very low capture rate:**

Pecharunt's: 3

Average: ~ 100



#### **Technically it still worked:**

If put through our decision tree as zero steps it would have still been classified as a legendary

## What We May Do in the Future

- Our model works on almost 100% of current Pokemon
- Fix both Type: Null and Silvally
- In the future, Pokemon that the model will not correctly classify may be introduced (Weird classes like ultra beast)
- Historical Bias: The data set was last updated in 2016





