

Alternatives to the Accuracy Metric

Exploring Other Metrics

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	$TP + FN$	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	$FP + TN$	Total Actual negative

True Positive Rate

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	$TP + FN$	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	$FP + TN$	Total Actual negative

Ratio of actual positive predictions over total actual positives

True Positive Rate

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

Ratio of actual positive predictions over total actual positives

False Negative Rate

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

Ratio of actual positive, predicted as negative; over total actual positive

False Negative Rate

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
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Ratio of actual positive, predicted as negative; over total actual positive

True Negative Rate

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

Ratio of actual negative prediction over total actual negative

True Negative Rate

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

$$TNR = \frac{TN}{FP + TN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

Ratio of actual negative prediction over total actual negative

False Positive Rate

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

$$TNR = \frac{TN}{FP + TN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

Ratio of actual negative, predicted as positive; over total actual negative

False Positive Rate

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

$$TNR = \frac{TN}{FP + TN}$$

$$FPR = \frac{FP}{FP + TN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

Ratio of actual negative, predicted as positive; over total actual negative

False Positive Rate

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

False Positive Rate

$$TNR = \frac{TN}{FP + TN}$$

$$FPR = \frac{FP}{FP + TN}$$

		Prediction outcome			
		positive	negative		
Actual value	positive	TP	FN	TP + FN	Total Actual positive
	negative	FP	TN	FP + TN	Total Actual negative

Dumb Model

We train a “dumb” model to detect cancer

Negative report for every patient

Or

No patient has cancer
98.8% Accuracy for dumb model!

500 Patients with Cancer symptoms



494 Negative Results 6 Positive Results

Dumb Model

$$TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN}$$

$$TNR = \frac{TN}{FP + TN}$$

$$FPR = \frac{FP}{FP + TN}$$

		Prediction outcome	
		positive	negative
Actual value	positive	0	6
	negative	0	494

98.8% Accuracy for dumb model!

Dumb Model

$$\frac{TPR}{0} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} =$$

$$FNR = \frac{FN}{TP + FN} = 1$$

$$\frac{TNR}{1} = \frac{TN}{FP + TN} =$$

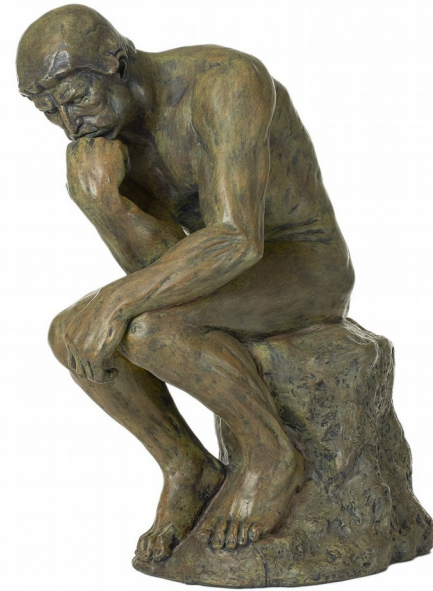
$$\frac{FPR}{0} = \frac{FP}{FP + TN} =$$

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		positive	negative
Actual value	positive	0	6
	negative	0	494

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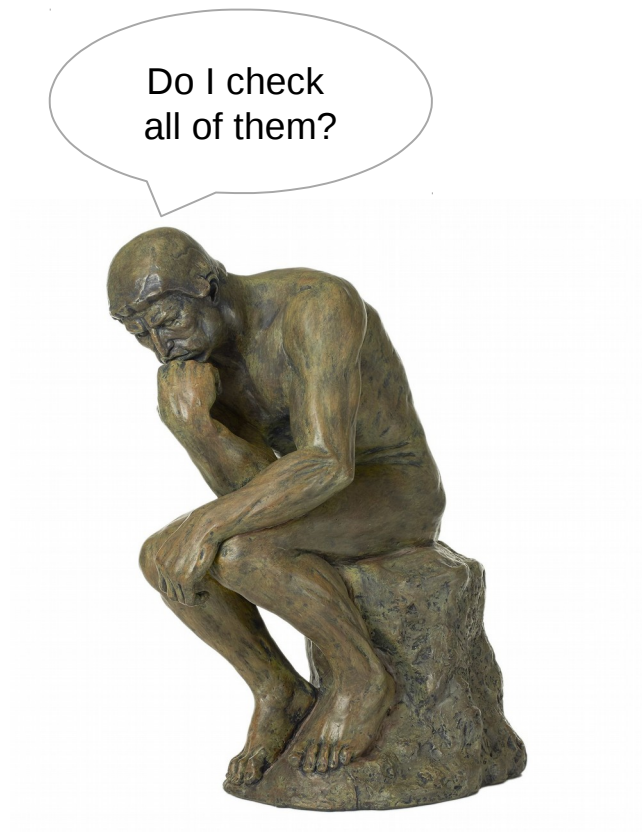
How to select a metric

Do I check
all of them?



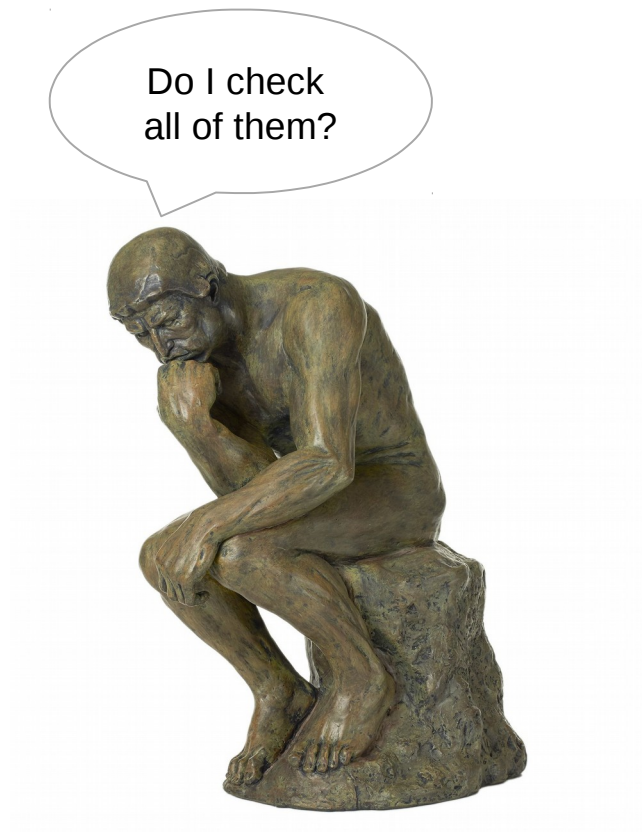
How to select a metric

- Not necessarily



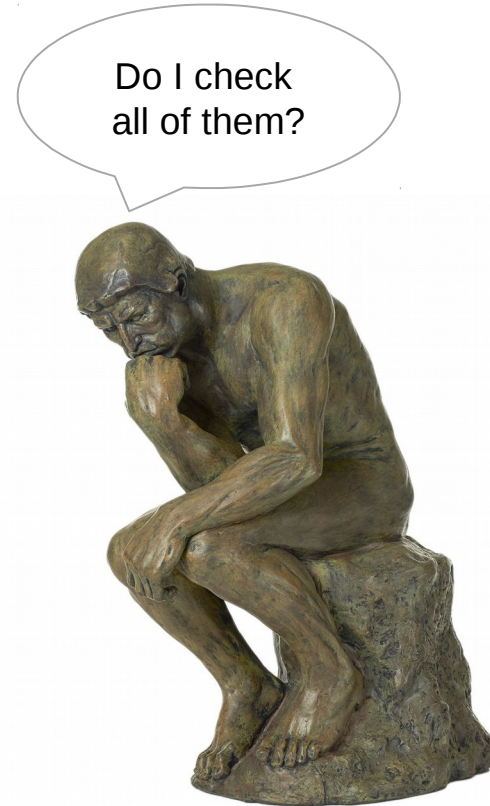
How to select a metric

- Not necessarily
- Use a combination



How to select a metric

- Not necessarily
- Use a combination
- Validation



How to select a metric

- Not necessarily
- Use a combination
- Validation
- Depends on use case

