
Neural Networks and Deep Learning

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This Lecture: Introduction — Part 3

Course: Neural Networks and Deep Learning
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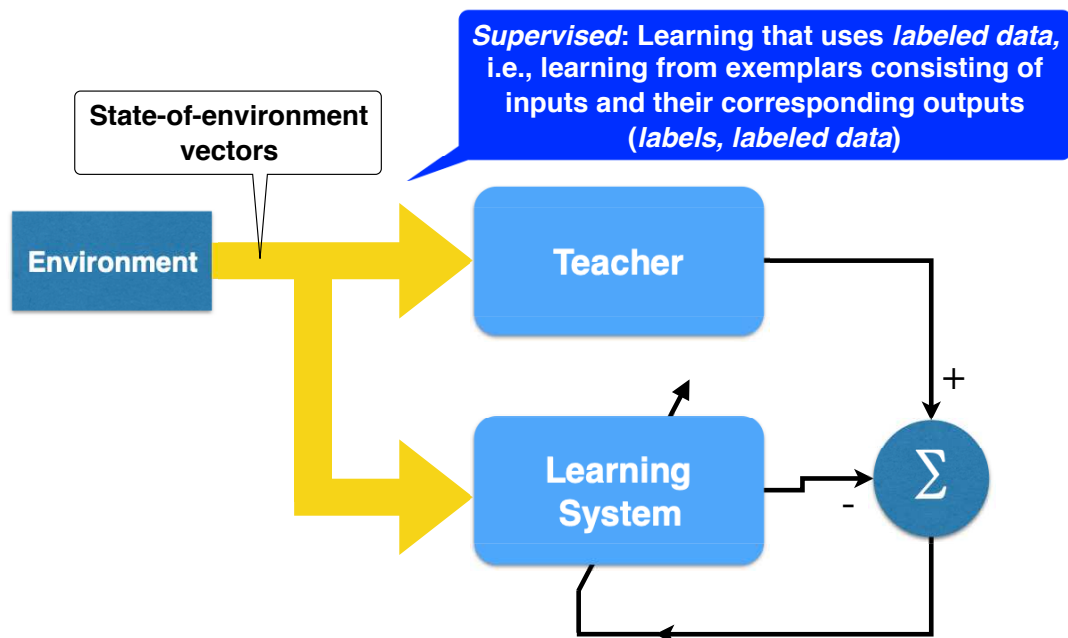
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- **Recap**
- **Learning — example**
- **Feature-space issues**
- **Decision boundary**
- **Multiple classes**

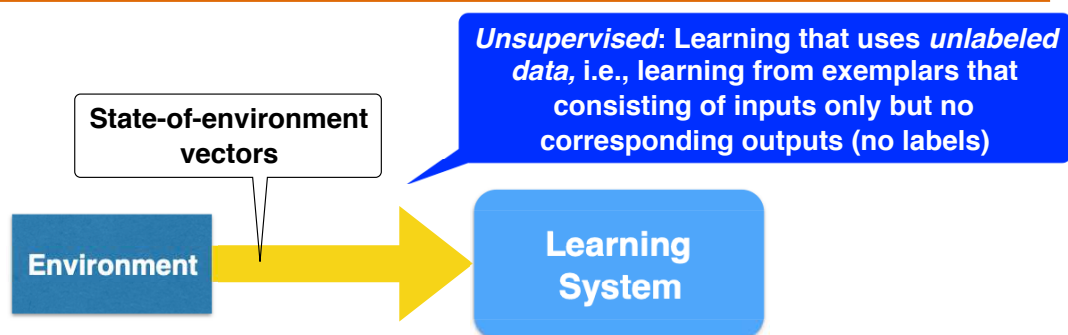
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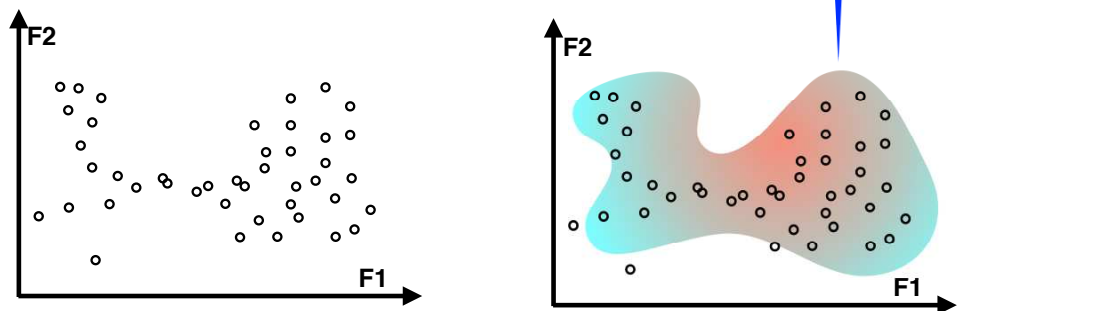
- Training data consist of inputs and outputs
 - Training set
- Previously unseen (novel) input to be categorized
 - Test set
 - Categorize/classify = determine output given input
- Output types
 - Discrete (categorical) — classification task
 - Continuous — regression task

Unsupervised Learning (Recap)

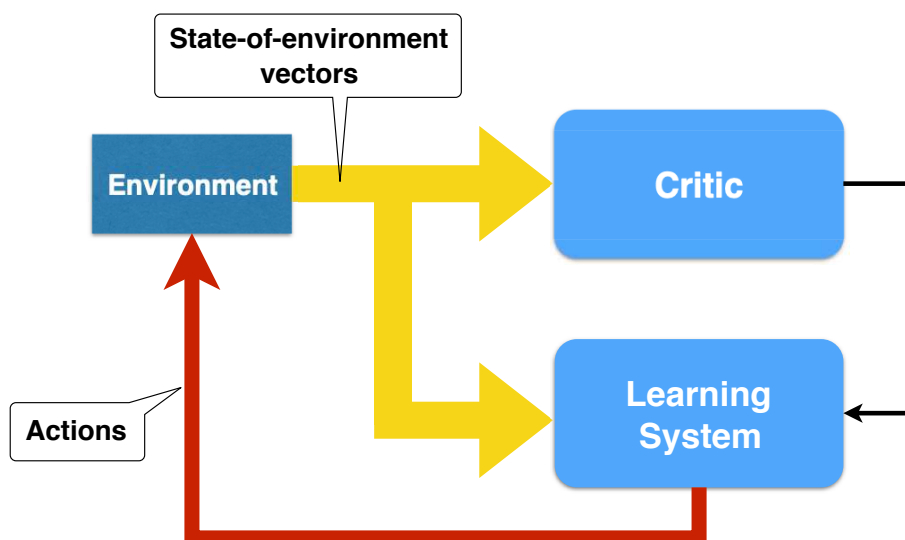


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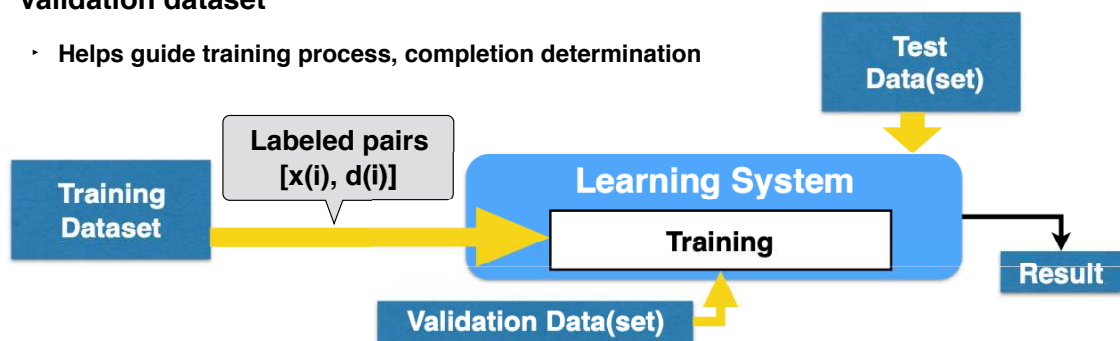
Reinforcement Learning (Recap)



Training, Validation, Testing (Recap)

In supervised learning

- **Training — learning phase**
 - Training dataset — collection of labeled (annotated) exemplars
- **Testing — operation of trained system**
 - Test dataset — unannotated data to categorize (classify, recognize)
- **Validation dataset**
 - Helps guide training process, completion determination

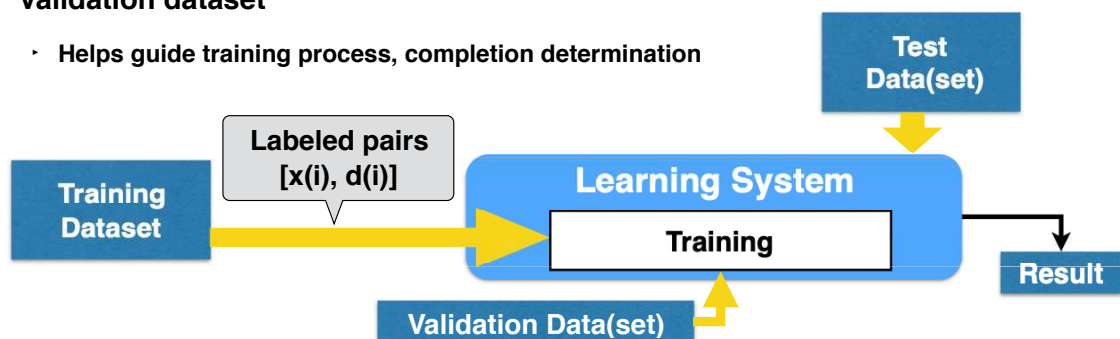


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Supervised Learning (Recap)

- **Training — learning phase**
 - Training dataset — collection of labeled (annotated) exemplars
- **Testing — operation of trained system**
 - Test dataset — data to classify (categorize, recognize)
 - Labels used ONLY for performance assessment (not for classification)
- **Validation dataset**
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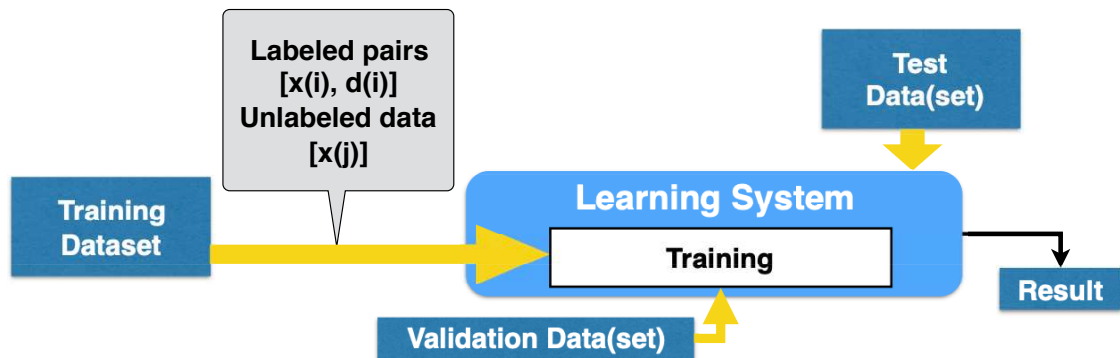


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Semisupervised Learning (Recap)

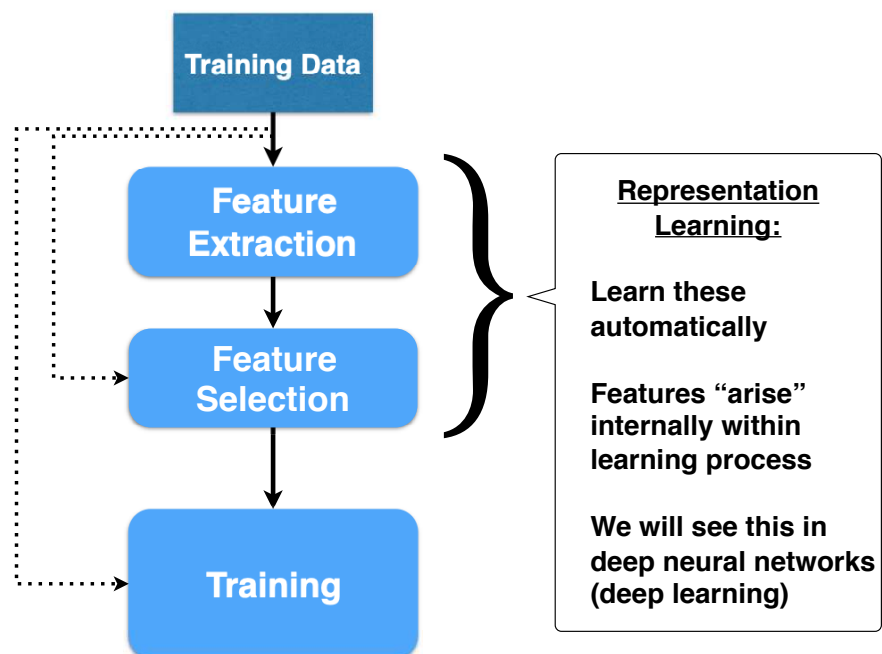
- Some training data annotated
 - Have category labels
- More training data available — but no labels
 - E.g., large collection of images, only some annotated



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Features (Recap)



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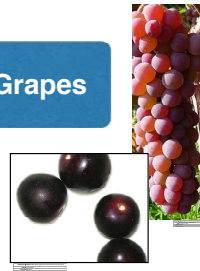
Hypothetical Example

- Automated preserves-making facility
 - Cherry preserves and grape preserves
- Video camera monitoring conveyor belt
 - Split fruits into two separate follow-up production lines

Cherries

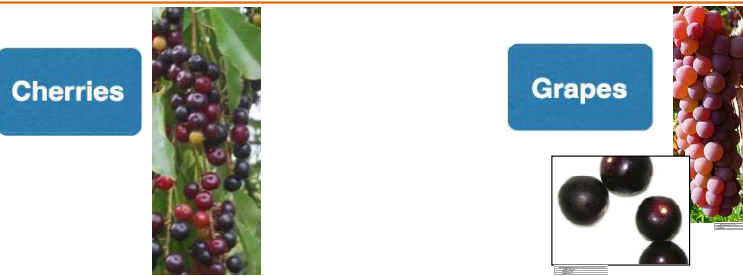


Grapes



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Distinguishable Characteristics



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- Many distinguishable characteristics not available to camera, e.g., physical and chemical characteristics
- Potential image characteristics for “cherry/grape problem”
 - Brightness (or color)
 - Size
 - Shape (e.g., circular or not)
 - ...

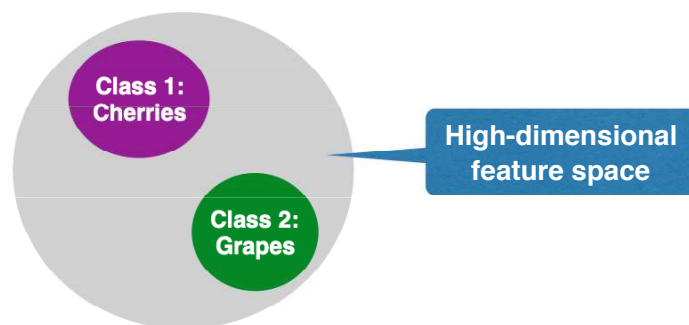
Deep neural networks often operate on raw inputs (e.g., images) directly

- Without human-engineered features
- Features arise (emerge) within network (*representation learning*)

(As we will see when we study deep networks)

Ideal vs. Realistic Feature Space

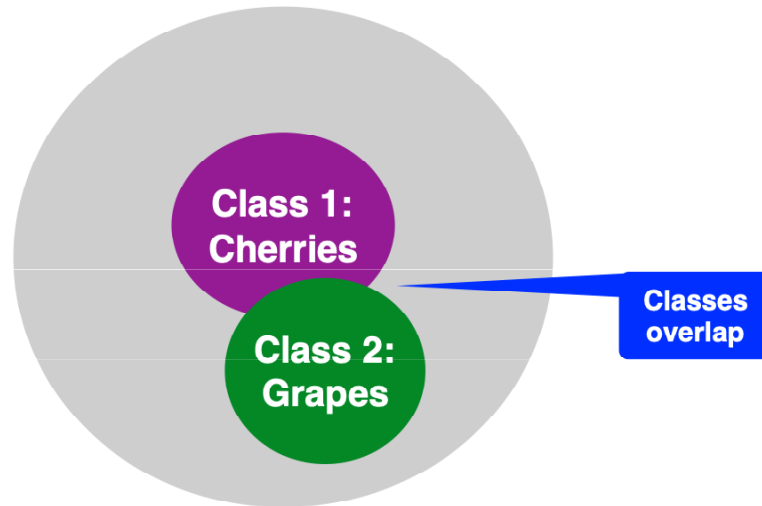
- If features represented entire characteristics, feature space would be separable
 - High-dimensional feature space



- But many features not accessible to available sensing modality such as video camera (image domain)

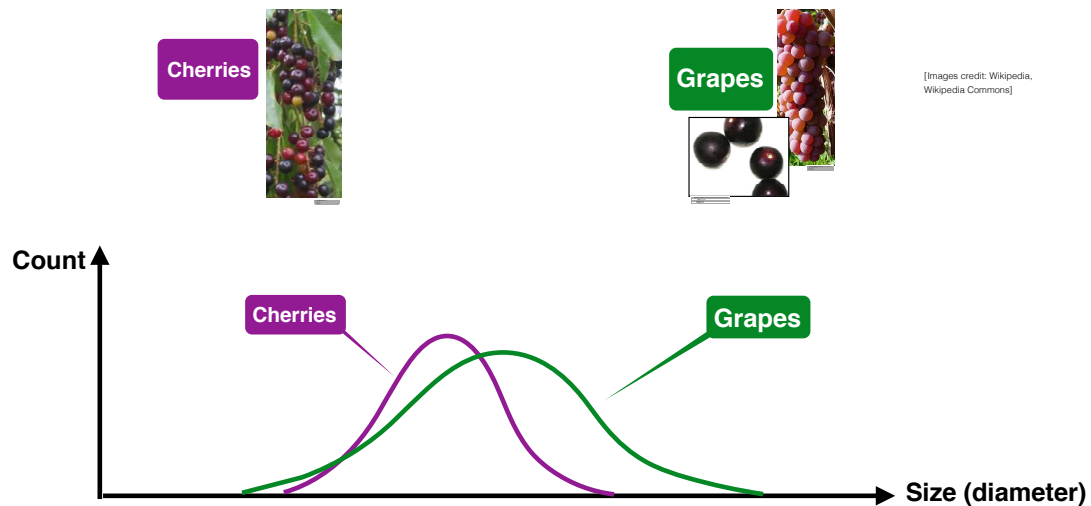
Ideal vs. Realistic Feature Space

- In many subspace projections — e.g., image domain
 - Classes not separable



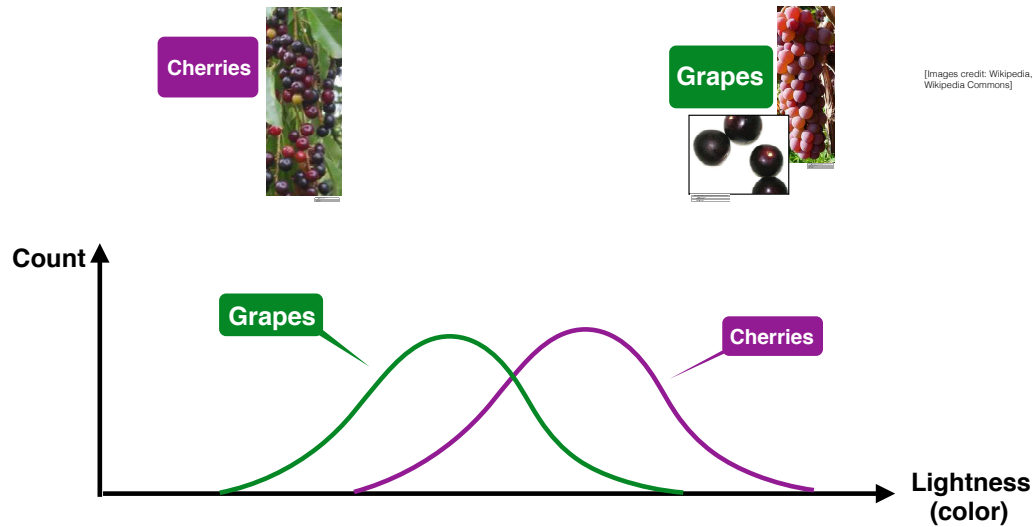
Training Set — Size Feature

- Collect many examples (exemplars) of each type
- Generate marginal distribution of size feature



Training Set – Lightness Feature

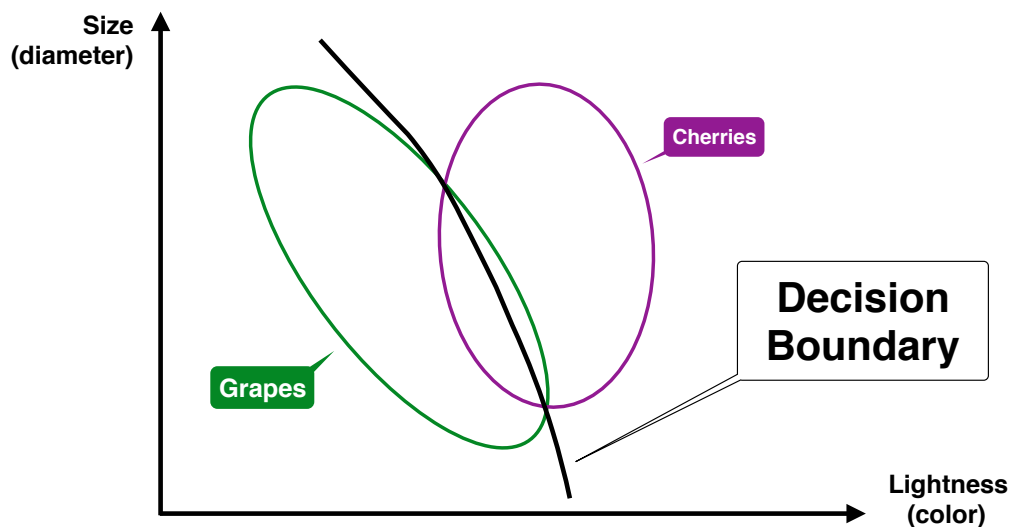
- Collect many examples (exemplars) of each type
- Generate marginal distribution of brightness feature



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Multidimensional Feature Space and Decision Boundary



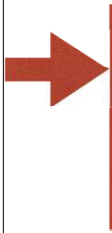
- Joint distribution $[\text{color}, \text{size}]^T$
- Two features may not be sufficient for sufficiently high accuracy
- Some points (fruits) misclassified

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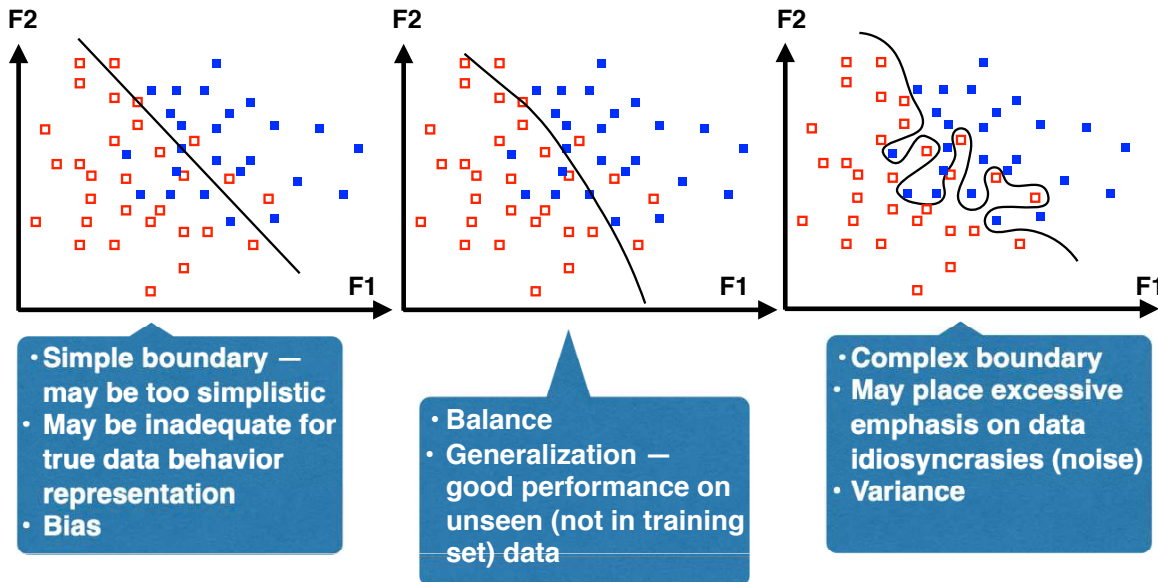


Feature-Space Issues

- **Issues associated with feature-design by humans (“feature engineering”)**
 - **What features, and how many (curse of dimensionality)**
 - ✦ **Feature extraction**
 - **Which features will work best**
 - ✦ **Feature selection**
 - **How mitigate feature redundancy and/or correlations**
 - ✦ **Dimensionality reduction**
- **Deep neural networks often do not require human-designed features**
 - ✦ **Representation learning in deep-learning constructs**
 - **Network operates with raw input data**
 - **Features are learned by network**
 - **Features or feature-equivalents arise (emerge) within network**
 - **More robust than human-designed features**

**We will see this when
we study deep networks
in detail in this course**

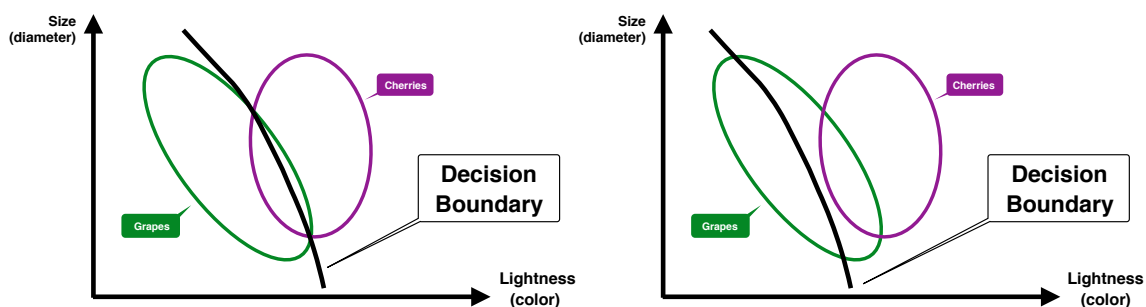
Decision Boundary Complexity



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Misclassifications



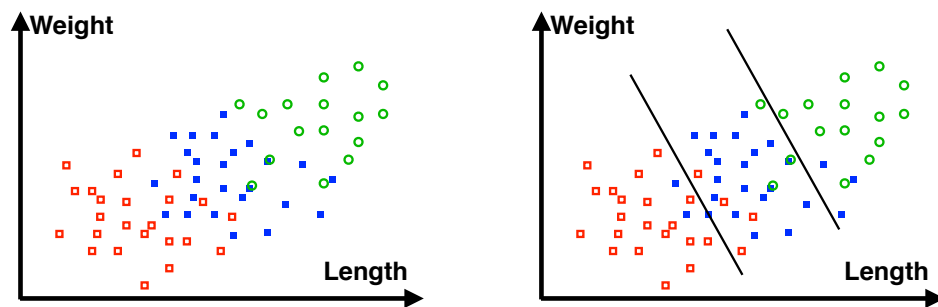
- Does it matter points of which class are misclassified ?
 - YES!
- Cost of errors may be different for one class than for another
 - E.g., misclassifying cherry as grape may be much more costly than vice-versa
 - Consider unexpected cherry-seeds in jars of grape jam (vs. a bit of grape-like taste of cherry jam)
- Decision boundary must be adjusted to account for different costs of errors — decision theory

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Three-Class Supervised Learning (Toy Example)

- **Example: classify metal items, based on weight and size**
 - Wrenches — generally longer and heavy
 - Bolts — generally longer or medium-length and light-weight or medium-weight
 - Nuts — short (small) and light-weight
- **Training set — weight and length data of labeled items**
 - Label for each item — e.g., W or B or N (“Wrench”, “Bolt”, “Nut”)
- **Train classifier — learn to recognize Wrench vs. Bolt vs. Nut**

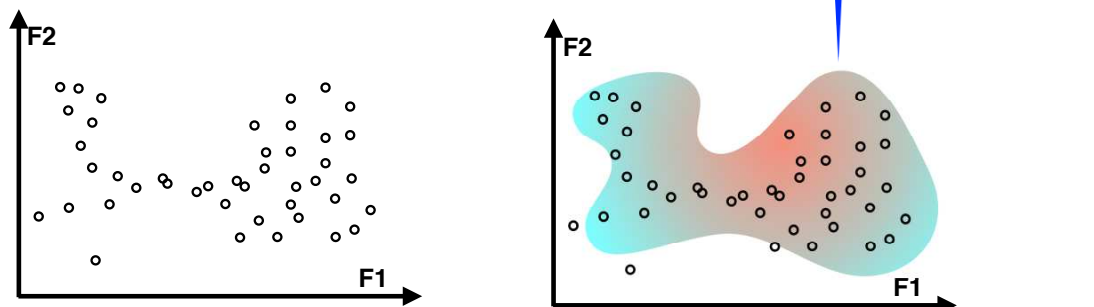


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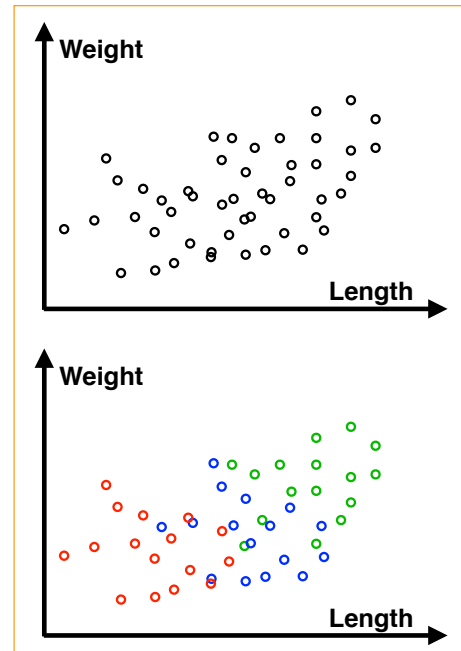
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Unsupervised Learning – Clustering Task

- Training set contains data without labels
- Learning
 - Discover internal “similarities” in training data
- At test-time
 - Decide based on “similarity” of test-exemplar to learned types (categories)
- Example: metal-parts dataset, consisting of weight and size data

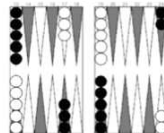


Modern unsupervised deep-learning techniques go beyond “classical” clustering



Reinforcement Learning

- Given input or state
- Respond, predict output (outcome)
- Receive score on response
 - “reward/punishment”
- Applicable e.g., to games, robotics tasks, etc.



[Kohl, 2004]

Determination of Learning Type — Exercise

- **Learn to determine longevity (time-to-failure) of mechanical components, based on their physical features, such as thickness, material composition, etc.**
- **Learn to determine moves in card game**
- **Learn to determine driver competency/state, based on vehicle behavior in traffic**
- **What, and how, can be learned from large number of images showing several kinds of shirts**

Questions?