

# Evaluation ideal and variety for a trio of error independent binary classifiers

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## Code

In[313]:=

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Clear[TurnVotesToIndicators]
TurnVotesToIndicators[key_, label_] := Map[If[# === label, 1, 0] &, key]

Clear[ClassifierLabelAccuracy]
ClassifierLabelAccuracy[
  voteCountsByLabel_Association, classifier_Integer, label_] :=
  voteCountsByLabel[label] // KeyMap[TurnVotesToIndicators[#, label] &, #] & //
  Normal // GroupBy[#, #[[1, classifier]] &] & //
  Map[Last, #, {2}] & // Map[Total, #] & //
  #[1] / (Total@#) &
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In[317]:=

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Clear[CorrelationProduct]
CorrelationProduct[indicators_List, accuracies_List] :=
  Times@@ (indicators - accuracies)

Clear[ProjectVoteCounts]
ProjectVoteCounts[labelVoteCounts_, classifiers_List] :=
  Normal[labelVoteCounts] // GroupBy[#, #[[1, classifiers]] &] & //
  Map[Last, #, {2}] & // Map[Total, #] &

Clear[LabelCorrelations]
LabelCorrelations[voteCountsByLabel_Association,
  classifiers_List, label_] := Module[
  {labelAccuracies},
  labelAccuracies =
    Map[ClassifierLabelAccuracy[voteCountsByLabel, #, label] &, classifiers];
  voteCountsByLabel[label] // ProjectVoteCounts[#, classifiers] & //
  KeyMap[TurnVotesToIndicators[#, label] &, #] & //
  KeyMap[CorrelationProduct[#, labelAccuracies] &, #] & // Normal //
  ((Map[Times@@# &, #] // Total) / (Map[Last, #] // Total)) &
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In[323]:=

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Clear[GTClassifiers]
GTClassifiers[votingPatternCountsByLabel_Association] := Module[
  {alphaLabel = 0, nClassifiers},
  nClassifiers =
    votingPatternCountsByLabel // First // Keys // RandomChoice // Length;
  Join[{Pα → (votingPatternCountsByLabel // Map[Values, #] & // Map[Total, #] & //
    #[alphaLabel] / Total@# &)},
    Table[Pi,α → ClassifierLabelAccuracy[votingPatternCountsByLabel, i, 0],
      {i, nClassifiers}],
    Table[Pi,β → ClassifierLabelAccuracy[votingPatternCountsByLabel, i, 1],
      {i, nClassifiers}],
    Table[ΓSequence@pair,α → LabelCorrelations[votingPatternCountsByLabel, pair, 0],
      {pair, Subsets[Range@nClassifiers, {2}]}],
    Table[ΓSequence@pair,β → LabelCorrelations[votingPatternCountsByLabel, pair, 1],
      {pair, Subsets[Range@nClassifiers, {2}]}],
    Table[ΓSequence@trio,α → LabelCorrelations[votingPatternCountsByLabel, trio, 0],
      {trio, Subsets[Range@nClassifiers, {3}]}],
    Table[ΓSequence@trio,β → LabelCorrelations[votingPatternCountsByLabel, trio, 1],
      {trio, Subsets[Range@nClassifiers, {3}]}]] // Association
]

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In[325]:=

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Clear[RewritePolynomials]
RewritePolynomials[poly_, rewriteRules_] := Module[
  {rulePolys, vars, newVars},
  rulePolys = First /@ rewriteRules;
  vars = Variables /@ rulePolys // Flatten // DeleteDuplicates // Sort;
  newVars = Last /@ rewriteRules;
  PolynomialReduce[poly, rulePolys, vars] //
    (* Start putting the polynomial back together *)
    {(* The remainder part *)
      Last@#,
      Transpose@{
        (* The simplifying vars out of the voting pattern frequency space *)
        newVars,
        (* The quotients *)
        First@#}} & //
    (* Add it all up *)
    (First@# + Total@Map[Times @@ # &, Last@#]) &]

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## Introduction

This notebook will detail the algebraic geometry computations that take us from the “evaluation ideal” created from the voting patterns of a trio of binary classifiers to the “evaluation variety”. An

evaluation ideal is a set of polynomials connecting observable voting pattern frequencies by the classifiers to unknown sample statistics of the ground truth that are our evaluation goal. We want to “grade” the classifiers using only the frequencies of their voting patterns.

That “grade” exists in sample statistics space. The test has already been taken. We have the decisions of the judges. We are faced with the task of grading them now. Not in the future, not in the past. This is another example of how the task of evaluation is much simpler than that of training. We have to estimate something that already exists, if you will. And there is only one time we have to do it. Training is much harder. You must create judges that, in the future, will behave correctly. And they have to do it many times. The task of evaluation is trivial in comparison. Why have we not conquered this much simpler space of the whole enterprise of learning?

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## Algebraic geometry of three error independent binary classifiers

The mathematics of algebraic evaluation is algebraic geometry. Every algebraic evaluation problem can be stated as a polynomial system relating observable decision events to unknown sample statistics. Here we are going to define that polynomial system assuming that the classifiers made errors independently on the sample. This is “the spherical cow” of Evaluation Land - the simplifying assumption that allows you to proceed forward and carry out computations that give you insight into the original problem. Workers in Training Land also have a preferred spherical cow - “consider an identically, independently drawn sample”. It may take some getting used to this new cow if you are a new visitor from Training Land.

### The evaluation ideal of three error independent binary classifiers

Algebraic geometry is mainly the study of the connection between sets of polynomials and geometric objects in the variable space of those polynomials. The sets of polynomials are called “polynomial ideals”. A set of linear equations is also a polynomial ideal. We define the “evaluation ideal” of our evaluation to be,

In[327]:=

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Clear[MakeIndependentVotingIdeal]
MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{i_, j_, k_}] :=
{Pα Pi,α Pj,α Pk,α + (1 - Pα) (1 - Pi,β) (1 - Pj,β) (1 - Pk,β) - fα,α,α,
Pα Pi,α Pj,α (1 - Pk,α) + (1 - Pα) (1 - Pi,β) (1 - Pj,β) Pk,β - fα,α,β,
Pα Pi,α (1 - Pj,α) Pk,α + (1 - Pα) (1 - Pi,β) Pj,β (1 - Pk,β) - fα,β,α,
Pα Pi,α (1 - Pj,α) (1 - Pk,α) + (1 - Pα) (1 - Pi,β) Pj,β Pk,β - fα,β,β,
Pα (1 - Pi,α) Pj,α Pk,α + (1 - Pα) Pi,β (1 - Pj,β) (1 - Pk,β) - fβ,α,α,
Pα (1 - Pi,α) Pj,α (1 - Pk,α) + (1 - Pα) Pi,β (1 - Pj,β) Pk,β - fβ,α,β,
Pα (1 - Pi,α) (1 - Pj,α) Pk,α + (1 - Pα) Pi,β Pj,β (1 - Pk,β) - fβ,β,α,
Pα (1 - Pi,α) (1 - Pj,α) (1 - Pk,α) + (1 - Pα) Pi,β Pj,β Pk,β - fβ,β,β}
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One convention in algebraic geometry may bother you. Ultimately we are interested in the geometrical object these polynomials define in the finite space needed for evaluating three independent binary classifiers. We want to consider the points in sample statistics space where all these equations are zero. We are really interested in these equations,

In[329]:=

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MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{1, 2, 3}] // Map[(# == 0) &, #] &
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Out[329]=

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{Pα P1,α P2,α P3,α + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) (1 - P2,β) (1 - P3,β) - fα,α,α == 0,
Pα P1,α P2,α (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) (1 - P2,β) P3,β - fα,α,β == 0,
Pα P1,α (1 - P2,α) P3,α + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) P2,β (1 - P3,β) - fα,β,α == 0,
Pα P1,α (1 - P2,α) (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) P2,β P3,β - fα,β,β == 0,
Pα (1 - P1,α) P2,α P3,α + (1 - Pα) P1,β (1 - P2,β) (1 - P3,β) - fβ,α,α == 0,
Pα (1 - P1,α) P2,α (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) P1,β (1 - P2,β) P3,β - fβ,α,β == 0,
Pα (1 - P1,α) (1 - P2,α) P3,α + (1 - Pα) P1,β P2,β (1 - P3,β) - fβ,β,α == 0,
Pα (1 - P1,α) (1 - P2,α) (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) P1,β P2,β P3,β - fβ,β,β == 0}
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But it is a pain to carry all these equal to zero notation around. So we drop it, and prefer to work with,

In[330]:=

```
MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{1, 2, 3}]
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Out[330]=

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{Pα P1,α P2,α P3,α + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) (1 - P2,β) (1 - P3,β) - fα,α,α,
Pα P1,α P2,α (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) (1 - P2,β) P3,β - fα,α,β,
Pα P1,α (1 - P2,α) P3,α + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) P2,β (1 - P3,β) - fα,β,α,
Pα P1,α (1 - P2,α) (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) (1 - P1,β) P2,β P3,β - fα,β,β,
Pα (1 - P1,α) P2,α P3,α + (1 - Pα) P1,β (1 - P2,β) (1 - P3,β) - fβ,α,α,
Pα (1 - P1,α) P2,α (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) P1,β (1 - P2,β) P3,β - fβ,α,β,
Pα (1 - P1,α) (1 - P2,α) P3,α + (1 - Pα) P1,β P2,β (1 - P3,β) - fβ,β,α,
Pα (1 - P1,α) (1 - P2,α) (1 - P3,α) + (1 - Pα) P1,β P2,β P3,β - fβ,β,β}
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Dropping the notation has no effect. Algebraic manipulations of the above set (multiplying them together, etc.) would be equivalent to polynomials of zero for points that satisfied the input set.

One “forest for the trees” note: the above ideal is one many possible ones. Algebraic evaluation is very much like data streaming algorithms. You are creating a sketch of the decisions by an ensemble of noisy judges. In the case of binary classification considered here, that “data sketch” is the frequency of their item-by-item voting patterns. Other polynomial systems are possible even for independent binary classifiers. We could be trying to evaluate sample statistics that look at how judges evaluated two different sample items, for example.

## The evaluation variety of three error independent binary classifiers

The goal of algebraic evaluation is to obtain “grades” for the noisy judges on unlabeled data. We know the types of grades we want. We want their exact grades. Not spreads of where we think their grade is - no probabilistic solutions! That is not quite what we get in algebraic evaluation. The mathematical object you get as a grade is actually a geometric object in sample statistics space. The true grade lies on that geometric object. Mathematicians call the geometrical objects defined by polynomials - varieties. You will see that for error-independent binary classifiers that geometric object is almost what we want - a collection of two points. For correlated classifiers those points “bloom out”. It is an unsolved problem in algebraic evaluation to characterize the surface for correlated classifiers - but it does exist! The evaluation ideal for any set of correlated classifiers can be written down and it defines, by construction, an evaluation variety that is guaranteed to contain the true evaluation point for the classifiers. All that is left when you build the evaluation ideal is to figure out what that surface is and whether it would be useful to your AI safety task.

## The ground truth for the performance of three noisy binary classifiers

Before continuing to present the formalism of algebraic evaluation, let’s do a quick end run to our goal - the grade for noisy binary classifiers. I’ll use the UCI Adult run that can be found in the Python code - AlgebraicEvaluation.py. The input to algebraic evaluation in our current application is the frequency of voting patterns by the classifiers. Here is how it looked for a single run of three binary classifiers on the UCI Adult dataset.

In[331]:=

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singleEvaluationUCIAdult =
  <|0 → <|{0, 0, 0} → 715, {0, 0, 1} → 161, {0, 1, 0} → 2406, {0, 1, 1} → 455,
    {1, 0, 0} → 290, {1, 0, 1} → 94, {1, 1, 0} → 1335, {1, 1, 1} → 231|>,
  1 → <|{0, 0, 0} → 271, {0, 0, 1} → 469, {0, 1, 0} → 3395, {0, 1, 1} → 7517,
    {1, 0, 0} → 272, {1, 0, 1} → 399, {1, 1, 0} → 6377, {1, 1, 1} → 12455|>|>;
Normal@ (singleEvaluationUCIAdult //
  Map[ (Normal@# // List@@# & /@# & // Grid[#, Frame → All] &) &, #] &) //
  Grid[{#}, Frame → All] &

```

Out[332]=

0 →	{0, 0, 0}	715	1 →	{0, 0, 0}	271
	{0, 0, 1}	161		{0, 0, 1}	469
	{0, 1, 0}	2406		{0, 1, 0}	3395
	{0, 1, 1}	455		{0, 1, 1}	7517
	{1, 0, 0}	290		{1, 0, 0}	272
	{1, 0, 1}	94		{1, 0, 1}	399
	{1, 1, 0}	1335		{1, 1, 0}	6377
	{1, 1, 1}	231		{1, 1, 1}	12455

This is not a randomly selected run of binary classifiers on the UCI Adult dataset. It is being used for various reasons. It was engineered to be as close to error independence as possible. This will be discussed more later. For now, let's verify that, in fact, the classifiers are near error independence in this sample.

In[333]:=

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evaluationGroundTruth = GTClassifiers[singleEvaluationUCIAdult]
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Out[333]=

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left\langle \left| P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{5687}{36842}, P_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{3737}{5687}, P_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{1260}{5687}, P_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{4746}{5687}, P_{1,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{6501}{10385}, \right. \right. \\
 &P_{2,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{29744}{31155}, P_{3,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{4168}{6231}, \Gamma_{1,2,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{273192}{32341969}, \Gamma_{1,3,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{13325}{32341969}, \\
 &\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha} \rightarrow -\frac{264525}{32341969}, \Gamma_{1,2,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{2204576}{323544675}, \Gamma_{1,3,\beta} \rightarrow -\frac{79682}{12941787}, \\
 &\left. \Gamma_{2,3,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{94508}{38825361}, \Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{452568508}{183928777703}, \Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta} \rightarrow -\frac{27265589}{134400457995} \right| \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

The evaluation ground truth is what we want. It was calculated above by cheating - we have the by-label counts so we can easily compute ALL the sample statistics required to explain exactly the frequency patterns we observe when we DO NOT have the knowledge of the true labels. Note that the evaluation ground truth are integer ratios. The exact sample statistics for evaluation are a subset of the real numbers. This is crucial. This allows algebraic evaluators to get closer to the true grades. Integer ratios are also in the field of algebraic numbers. But the field of algebraic numbers is less dense than reals!

This evaluation also reminds the reader of why evaluation is easier than training. There are no

unknown unknowns. Evaluation computes sample statistics. The space of sample statistics required to explain observable voting patterns is finite and complete. You may not know what all these sample statistics are, but they are all you would need to know to describe the frequency of their observed decisions.

It is hard to compare integer ratios so let's get the floating point approximation to the evaluation to confirm the claim that these classifiers are nearly error independent.

In[334]:=

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evaluationGroundTruth // N
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Out[334]=

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<| Pα → 0.154362, P1,α → 0.657113, P2,α → 0.221558, P3,α → 0.834535,
    P1,β → 0.625999, P2,β → 0.95471, P3,β → 0.668913, Γ1,2,α → 0.00844698,
    Γ1,3,α → 0.000412003, Γ2,3,α → -0.008179, Γ1,2,β → 0.00681382, Γ1,3,β → -0.00615695,
    Γ2,3,β → 0.00243418, Γ1,2,3,α → 0.00246056, Γ1,2,3,β → -0.000202868 |>
```

One can see that all the pair error correlation terms ( $\Gamma_{i,j,\text{label}}$ ) are less than 1% absolute. This is encouraging. Since these classifiers are already so near error independence on the sample, will the using an evaluation ideal that assumes they are error-independent work well enough? Let's try it by using Mathematica's built-in algebraic geometry algorithms.

## Evaluation with Mathematica's Solve function

Since we are trying to simulate evaluation on unlabeled data, we need to project the by-true-label counts into the counts that are observed when we have no knowledge of the true labels. This is easy. For binary classification, the observed counts for a voting pattern is the sum of the voting pattern counts when you know the true label. For example,

In[335]:=

```
sizeOfTestSet =
  singleEvaluationUCIAdult // Values // Map[Values, #] & // Flatten // Total
fα,β,α →
  Sum[singleEvaluationUCIAdult[label][{0, 0, 0}], {label, {0, 1}}] / sizeOfTestSet
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Out[335]=

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36 842
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Out[336]=

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fα,β,α →  $\frac{493}{18\,421}$ 
```

So the “data sketch” for the evaluation of these three noisy binary classifiers is given by

In[337]:=

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evaluationDataSketch =
  Transpose@{{fα,α,α, fα,α,β, fα,β,α, fα,β,β, fβ,α,α, fβ,α,β, fβ,β,α, fβ,β,β}, Map[
    (Sum[singleEvaluationUCIAdult[label][#], {label, {0, 1}}] / sizeOfTestSet) &,
    {{0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 1}, {0, 1, 0}, {0, 1, 1},
     {1, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 1}, {1, 1, 0}, {1, 1, 1}}]} //
  Rule@@# & /@# &

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Out[337]=

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} f_{\alpha,\alpha,\alpha} &\rightarrow \frac{493}{18\,421}, & f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} &\rightarrow \frac{315}{18\,421}, & f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} &\rightarrow \frac{5801}{36\,842}, & f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} &\rightarrow \frac{3986}{18\,421}, \\ f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} &\rightarrow \frac{281}{18\,421}, & f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} &\rightarrow \frac{493}{36\,842}, & f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} &\rightarrow \frac{3856}{18\,421}, & f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} &\rightarrow \frac{6343}{18\,421} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

The goal of our current evaluation is to get estimates for the following sample statistics,

In[338]:=

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evaluationVariables = MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{1, 2, 3}] //
  Variables /@# & // Flatten // DeleteDuplicates // Cases[#, Except[f_]] & // Sort

```

Out[338]=

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{Pα, P1,α, P1,β, P2,α, P2,β, P3,α, P3,β}
```

We want to know what the prevalence of the alpha label is as well of the label accuracy for each of the three classifiers that participated in the evaluation.

Mathematica uses algebraic geometry under the hood of the Solve function to give us the grades for these classifiers.



In[339]:=

```
independentModelEvaluation = Solve[
  (MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{1, 2, 3}] // Map[(# == 0) &, #] &) /.
  evaluationDataSketch,
  evaluationVariables] // Map[Association, #] &
```

Out[339]=

$$\left\{ \left\langle \begin{aligned} &P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{61\,316\,911\,076\,911\,789 - 2\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{122\,633\,822\,153\,823\,578}, \\ &P_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{197\,818\,302\,948\,040\,811 + 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{375\,985\,460\,508\,686\,570}, \\ &P_{1,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{3(59\,389\,052\,520\,215\,253 + \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849})}{375\,985\,460\,508\,686\,570}, \\ &P_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{23\,470\,130\,463\,167\,807 + \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{136\,288\,278\,313\,807\,950}, \\ &P_{2,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{112\,818\,147\,850\,640\,143 + \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{136\,288\,278\,313\,807\,950}, \\ &P_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{209\,373\,072\,434\,759\,059 + 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386}, \\ &P_{3,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{203\,065\,747\,643\,446\,327 + 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386} \end{aligned} \right\rangle, \right. \\
\left. \left\langle \begin{aligned} &P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{61\,316\,911\,076\,911\,789 + 2\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{122\,633\,822\,153\,823\,578}, \\ &P_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{197\,818\,302\,948\,040\,811 - 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{375\,985\,460\,508\,686\,570}, \\ &P_{1,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{3(59\,389\,052\,520\,215\,253 - \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849})}{375\,985\,460\,508\,686\,570}, \\ &P_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{23\,470\,130\,463\,167\,807 - \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{136\,288\,278\,313\,807\,950}, \\ &P_{2,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{112\,818\,147\,850\,640\,143 - \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{136\,288\,278\,313\,807\,950}, \\ &P_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{209\,373\,072\,434\,759\,059 - 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386}, \\ &P_{3,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{203\,065\,747\,643\,446\,327 - 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386} \end{aligned} \right\rangle \right\}$$

Incredible! It is astonishing that more ML experts do not know about this. Consider what just happened. In essentially instantaneous time you are able to evaluate these three noisy binary classifiers. Let's confirm that by timing the evaluation Mathematica carries out for us.

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In[340]:=
Timing[Solve[
  (MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{1, 2, 3}] // Map[(# == 0) &, #] &) /.
    evaluationDataSketch,
    evaluationVariables];]
```

```
Out[340]=
{0.023671, Null}
```

And look at the information we are immediately getting on the quality of the evaluation. Remember that the exact grades for these classifiers are integer ratios. The evaluation we got assuming that they were error independent is not telling us that. Consider the algebraic evaluator's answer for the prevalence of the least likely label in the UCI Adult dataset - the alpha/0 label. We get two point answers for where the true prevalence must be,

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In[341]:=
Map[# [Pα] &, independentModelEvaluation]
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$$\left\{ \frac{61\,316\,911\,076\,911\,789 - 2\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{122\,633\,822\,153\,823\,578}, \right. \\ \left. \frac{61\,316\,911\,076\,911\,789 + 2\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{122\,633\,822\,153\,823\,578} \right\}$$

So the evaluation ideal for error independent binary classifiers is represented in sample statistics space by a geometrical object that consists of two point solutions to the evaluation statistics we are looking for. This is the geometrical representation of the decoding ambiguity of evaluation. In fact, it is never possible to know, with true certainty, absent any other outside knowledge, the ground truth values for the evaluation. You can take this computation to be the proof of that. If error independent judges cannot do it, no judges will ever do so either.

This decoding ambiguity freezes academic ML researchers. The fact that two, not one solution, is returned by the evaluator confuses people that are not familiar with another area that shows a deep connection between pure mathematics and engineering: error-correcting codes. If you understand how error-correcting codes also have decoding ambiguity and yet are ubiquitous in signal processing engineering, you understand how decoding ambiguity in algebraic evaluation is a non-problem for engineers. This point is hard for computer science academics to get.

The belief that only point solutions to evaluation are useful is stopping us from using what can be achieved in completely unsupervised monitoring settings - logical consistency. By construction, the use of unlabeled data has no access to the “answer key” for any evaluation one can perform on noisy AI agents. In other words, we do not have access to the truth table for the test. Logical soundness is therefore impossible when no answer key is available.

Logical consistency, however, has been shown to be useful and is, in any case, required in any system that can be verified formally safe. The utility of logical consistency is demonstrated practically here.

But there are many examples in other sciences as mentioned above. To that one can add the work in the late 1990s in Computer Vision that culminated in proving that a camera could reconstruct an outside scene perfectly in the ABSENCE of any knowledge about its physical dimensions (focal length, etc.). Scale can only be established when that information is made available.

Logical consistency of the correctness of noisy classifiers is entirely the same - it cannot establish between the two values. But in the case of error independent classifiers - there are no other points logically consistent with the data sketch of their aligned decisions.

Note that I have so far shown connections of Algebraic Evaluation with three other areas of research interest: algebraic geometry, data streaming algorithms and now error-correcting codes. We are not done. Algebraic evaluation has more goodies in store for us.

Algebraic evaluation connects mathematical field theory to AI safety. The number field you use to carry your AI safety computations matters. Algebraic numbers are more useful than real numbers. The evaluation above is a simple demonstration of this. The error independent evaluation model must be wrong. We can tell that it is wrong because it did not give us integer ratios. There are unresolved square roots in its output. This is gold in safety engineering contexts.

Knowing that you are flying blind is priceless

How good is the numerical estimate by the error independent evaluator?

So let's see how well the error independent evaluator estimated the accuracy of the UCI Adult binary classifiers.

In[342]:=

**N@independentModelEvaluation**

Out[342]=

$$\left\{ \left\langle \left| \begin{array}{l} P_{\alpha} \rightarrow 0.167114, P_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.688997, P_{1,\beta} \rightarrow 0.636731, \\ P_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.321977, P_{2,\beta} \rightarrow 0.977558, P_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.656116, P_{3,\beta} \rightarrow 0.640823 \end{array} \right| \right\rangle, \right. \\ \left. \left\langle \left| \begin{array}{l} P_{\alpha} \rightarrow 0.832886, P_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.363269, P_{1,\beta} \rightarrow 0.311003, P_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.0224423, \\ P_{2,\beta} \rightarrow 0.678023, P_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.359177, P_{3,\beta} \rightarrow 0.343884 \end{array} \right| \right\rangle \right\}$$

Here is where we get to see why decoding is many times trivial in the real world. This is no different than decoding of error-correcting codes being trivial in the real world. You do here exactly what you would do for error correcting codes. When you decode in error-correcting codes you have multiple possible solutions if a detectable error has occurred. The default choice is ALWAYS least bit errors. Error-correcting codes are engineered so this is almost always true. It works for inter-planetary communications and your computer. Same thing in Algebraic Evaluation. Its engineering context usually has enough outside context to allow you to decode the right evaluation for noisy binary classifiers.

Let's talk through one example of how this decoding choice could be done - you have very good

knowledge of the prevalence of labels. For example, you could try to evaluate DNA sequencers and you want to estimate their error rates. Since you are most likely handling Earth DNA, it would be a simple calibrating step to check which prevalence solution is closer to the known frequency distribution of DNA bases. That simple.

Another example applies to a business that is using AI to discover a rare, valuable thing. Like Google trying to find pages where users will click on ads. The click rate in the internet is about 1/1000 on a good website. The “it will be clicked” label will be rare in whatever ad campaign you run. This is the case in UCI Adult. The 0 label is the rare one. So we just choose the first solution.

In[343]:=

```
evaluationAlgebraicGuess = First@independentModelEvaluation;  
N@evaluationAlgebraicGuess
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Out[344]=

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 $\langle \mid P_{\alpha} \rightarrow 0.167114, P_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.688997, P_{1,\beta} \rightarrow 0.636731,$   
 $P_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.321977, P_{2,\beta} \rightarrow 0.977558, P_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.656116, P_{3,\beta} \rightarrow 0.640823 \mid \rangle$ 
```

Now let's look at the ground truth for this single run of three binary classifiers on a UCI Adult test set.

In[345]:=

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N@evaluationGroundTruth
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Out[345]=

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 $\langle \mid P_{\alpha} \rightarrow 0.154362, P_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.657113, P_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.221558, P_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.834535,$   
 $P_{1,\beta} \rightarrow 0.625999, P_{2,\beta} \rightarrow 0.95471, P_{3,\beta} \rightarrow 0.668913, \Gamma_{1,2,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.00844698,$   
 $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.000412003, \Gamma_{2,3,\alpha} \rightarrow -0.008179, \Gamma_{1,2,\beta} \rightarrow 0.00681382, \Gamma_{1,3,\beta} \rightarrow -0.00615695,$   
 $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta} \rightarrow 0.00243418, \Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha} \rightarrow 0.00246056, \Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta} \rightarrow -0.000202868 \mid \rangle$ 
```

Wow! Look at the closeness of the independent model estimates. Let's pretty print the comparison.

In[346]:=

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Column[{"Algebraic evaluation,assuming error
independence, of three binary classifiers on UCI Adult",
Grid[Prepend[Transpose@{evaluationVariables,
Map[{evaluationGroundTruth@#, N@evaluationGroundTruth@#} &,
evaluationVariables], Map[{evaluationAlgebraicGuess@#,
N@evaluationAlgebraicGuess@#} &, evaluationVariables]],
{"Evaluation Statistic", "Correct", "Estimated"}], Dividers → All]],
Dividers → All, Alignment → Center]
```

Out[346]=

Algebraic evaluation,assuming error independence, of three binary classifiers on UCI Adult		
Evaluation Statistic	Correct	Estimated
$P_\alpha$	$\left\{ \frac{5687}{36842}, 0.154362 \right\}$	$\left\{ (61\,316\,911\,076\,911\,789 - \right.$ $2 \times \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,84}$ $\left. 122\,633\,822\,153\,823\,578, 0.167114 \right\}$
$P_{1,\alpha}$	$\left\{ \frac{3737}{5687}, 0.657113 \right\}$	$\left\{ (197\,818\,302\,948\,040\,811 + \right.$ $3 \times \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,84}$ $\left. 375\,985\,460\,508\,686\,570, 0.688997 \right\}$
$P_{1,\beta}$	$\left\{ \frac{6501}{10385}, 0.625999 \right\}$	$\left\{ (3\, (59\,389\,052\,520\,215\,253 + \right.$ $\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}$ $\left. 375\,985\,460\,508\,686\,570, 0.636731 \right\}$
$P_{2,\alpha}$	$\left\{ \frac{1260}{5687}, 0.221558 \right\}$	$\left\{ (23\,470\,130\,463\,167\,807 + \right.$ $\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}$ $\left. 136\,288\,278\,313\,807\,950, 0.321977 \right\}$
$P_{2,\beta}$	$\left\{ \frac{29\,744}{31\,155}, 0.95471 \right\}$	$\left\{ (112\,818\,147\,850\,640\,143 + \right.$ $\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}$ $\left. 136\,288\,278\,313\,807\,950, 0.977558 \right\}$
$P_{3,\alpha}$	$\left\{ \frac{4746}{5687}, 0.834535 \right\}$	$\left\{ (209\,373\,072\,434\,759\,059 + \right.$ $3 \times \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,84}$ $\left. 412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386, 0.656116 \right\}$
$P_{3,\beta}$	$\left\{ \frac{4168}{6231}, 0.668913 \right\}$	$\left\{ (203\,065\,747\,643\,446\,327 + \right.$ $3 \times \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,84}$ $\left. 412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386, 0.640823 \right\}$

The above table illustrates why algebraic numbers are more useful in an evaluation context than real ones. All real numbers look the same. Here we see that the correct answers look very much like the algebraic evaluation output when you represent them as floating point numbers. The difference between the actual performance of the classifiers (always an integer ratio) and the output of the error independent evaluator are obvious when you express them as algebraic numbers. These unresolved

square roots allow you to disprove the independence assumption in the model! Algebraic numbers have a built-in alarm of model failure when you are evaluating a finite sample.

## The exact polynomial formulation of voting patterns for arbitrarily correlated classifiers

The main topic of this notebook is the error independent evaluator. It is the easiest algebraic evaluator you can build. But the reader should not think that algebraic evaluation is inexact when you have correlated classifiers. Exact polynomial formulations of arbitrarily correlated classifiers exist. This is significant for anyone that worries about AI safety. There are no unknown unknowns in evaluations of finite samples. Unlike the much harder task of training noisy judges, evaluation of these judges is much easier. The algebraic evaluator is dumb. It has no knowledge of the world or the experts. It just has to estimate sample statistics. But these statistics exist in a finite space that can be universally characterized for ALL evaluations. Estimating a sample statistic is not as hard as, say, making future predictions about that statistic. All the statistics needed for three correlated binary classifiers are:

In[347]:=

```
Keys@evaluationGroundTruth // Grid[{#}, Dividers → All] &
```

Out[347]=

$P_\alpha$	$P_{1,\alpha}$	$P_{2,\alpha}$	$P_{3,\alpha}$	$P_{1,\beta}$	$P_{2,\beta}$	$P_{3,\beta}$	$\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$	$\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$	$\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$	$\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$	$\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$	$\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$	$\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$	$\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$
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Here is the polynomial set, based on these statistics, that generates the evaluation ideal for arbitrarily correlated classifiers,

In[348]:=

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unknownSideOfEvaluationIdealCorrelatedBinaryClassifiers =
{P $_\alpha$  (P $_{1,\alpha}$  P $_{2,\alpha}$  P $_{3,\alpha}$  + P $_{3,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  + P $_{2,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  + P $_{1,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) + P $_\beta$  ((1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ ) (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ )
(1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ ) + (1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  + (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  + (1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  -  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) ,
P $_\alpha$  (P $_{1,\alpha}$  P $_{2,\alpha}$  (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ ) + (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  - P $_{2,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  - P $_{1,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  -  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) +
P $_\beta$  ((1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ ) (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ ) P $_{3,\beta}$  + P $_{3,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  - (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  - (1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) ,
P $_\alpha$  (P $_{1,\alpha}$  (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ ) P $_{3,\alpha}$  - P $_{3,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  + (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  - P $_{1,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  -  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) +
P $_\beta$  ((1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ ) P $_{2,\beta}$  (1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ ) - (1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  + P $_{2,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  - (1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) ,
P $_\alpha$  (P $_{1,\alpha}$  (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ ) (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ ) - (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  - (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  + P $_{1,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) +
P $_\beta$  ((1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ ) P $_{2,\beta}$  P $_{3,\beta}$  - P $_{3,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  - P $_{2,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  + (1 - P $_{1,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  -  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) ,
P $_\alpha$  ((1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ ) P $_{2,\alpha}$  P $_{3,\alpha}$  - P $_{3,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  - P $_{2,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  + (1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  -  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) +
P $_\beta$  (P $_{1,\beta}$  (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ ) (1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ ) - (1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  - (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  + P $_{1,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) ,
P $_\alpha$  ((1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ ) P $_{2,\alpha}$  (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ ) - (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  + P $_{2,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  - (1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) +
P $_\beta$  (P $_{1,\beta}$  (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ ) P $_{3,\beta}$  - P $_{3,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  + (1 - P $_{2,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  - P $_{1,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  -  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) ,
P $_\alpha$  ((1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ ) (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ ) P $_{3,\alpha}$  + P $_{3,\alpha}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  - (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  - (1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) +
P $_\beta$  (P $_{1,\beta}$  P $_{2,\beta}$  (1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ ) + (1 - P $_{3,\beta}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  - P $_{2,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  - P $_{1,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  -  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) ,
P $_\alpha$  ((1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ ) (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ ) (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ ) + (1 - P $_{3,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,2,\alpha}$  + (1 - P $_{2,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{1,3,\alpha}$  + (1 - P $_{1,\alpha}$ )  $\Gamma_{2,3,\alpha}$  -
 $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\alpha}$ ) + P $_\beta$  (P $_{1,\beta}$  P $_{2,\beta}$  P $_{3,\beta}$  + P $_{3,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,2,\beta}$  + P $_{2,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{1,3,\beta}$  + P $_{1,\beta}$   $\Gamma_{2,3,\beta}$  +  $\Gamma_{1,2,3,\beta}$ ) };
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We kept  $P_\alpha$  and  $P_\beta$  to simplify the math. These are related by  $P_\alpha + P_\beta = 1$  so we'll get rid of the  $P_\beta$  variable when we do our computation. We have this unknown side completely written in a gibberish

of sample statistics. What is the value of all these polynomials when we plug in the true evaluation values for our working UCI Adult evaluation run?

In[349]:=

```
(unknownSideOfEvaluationIdealCorrelatedBinaryClassifiers /. {Pβ → (1 - Pα)}) /.  
evaluationGroundTruth
```

Out[349]=

$$\left\{ \frac{493}{18421}, \frac{315}{18421}, \frac{5801}{36842}, \frac{3986}{18421}, \frac{281}{18421}, \frac{493}{36842}, \frac{3856}{18421}, \frac{6343}{18421} \right\}$$

These polynomial evaluation polynomials are universal. As we see here, they express exactly the observed aligned decisions of the classifiers in terms of unknown sample statistics of their performance and the label prevalences. This is one advantage of working with sample statistics. All evaluation polynomials are universal once derived.

In[350]:=

```
evaluationDataSketch
```

Out[350]=

$$\left\{ f_{\alpha,\alpha,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{493}{18421}, f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{315}{18421}, f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{5801}{36842}, f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{3986}{18421}, \right. \\ \left. f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{281}{18421}, f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{493}{36842}, f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{3856}{18421}, f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{6343}{18421} \right\}$$

Nothing like this exists in Training Land. It is impossible to devise training algorithms based on probability theory that are exact representations of all possible future data processed by AI agents. Not so in Evaluation Land. And for a trivial reason - methods of moments are always possible with finite statistics. Why is the AI community unaware of this trivial fact? Why are these exact polynomial representations not part of any textbook that claims to explain Machine Learning Theory? Evaluation is the forgotten twin of Learning. Learning is training + evaluation.

Consider what this means theoretically. We have the exact algebraic object that explains ALL evaluations of arbitrarily correlated classifiers. The unresolved problems in Algebraic Evaluation are not here. Exact representations will always be possible in the same way that moment expansions are always possible when describing sample statistics. The unresolved problems in Algebraic Evaluation lie in understanding the evaluation variety - the surface in sample statistics space that is universally guaranteed to contain the true evaluation values.

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## Computing the evaluation variety corresponding to the three error-independent evaluation ideal

We now come to the hard part of this notebook. One full of the math and terminology of algebraic geometry. This is a mathematical topic that few in the AI community know. Likewise in the statistics community. But there is an exception in Statistics Land. There is a well defined field concerned with

the use of algebraic geometry - algebraic statistics. Algebraic evaluation is a sister to algebraic statistics. The former deals with the algebraic geometry of evaluating noisy judges on finite samples, the later, with the algebraic geometry of the mathematics of infinite samples. Given their affinity, in the future Algebraic Statistics books will contain chapters on the topics discussed here if they are concerned with the algebraic geometry of evaluating noisy judges.

Our goal is an algebraic formulation of the variety that allows us to understand its geometrical structure. The way to do is to compute the Groebner basis for the evaluation ideal. So let's do it. As you'll see, it is going to be crazy long.

```
In[351]:=
gb = GroebnerBasis[MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{1, 2, 3}], evaluationVariables];
Length@gb

Out[352]=
41
```

## Understanding the Groebner basis for three error-independent binary classifiers

It is going to take some work to figure out the algebraic mess we get from the Groebner basis computation. This is the hard work that will result in simple algebraic expressions making possible the computation of the independent algebraic evaluator in Python code. Let's start simple and look at the very first equation returned by Mathematica's computation,

```
In[353]:=
First@gb

Out[353]=
- 1 +  $f_{\alpha,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$ 
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When we constructed the evaluation ideal for the classifiers, we never told Mathematica what those voting pattern frequencies meant. The algebraic computation has no semantic meaning except its own algebra. It is us who are applying that mathematics in a specific scientific context - the evaluation of noisy judges on unlabeled test data. Because those frequencies were constructed from the voting patterns of the judges, they must sum to one. This first equation is essentially asserting that fact as an essential mathematical requirement for there to actually exist ANY surface in sample parameter space. At the same time, the mathematics does not require that any of the  $f$ 's be positive. This is an additional constraint that relates to the application context of this algebra - counts of observed events cannot be negative.

Let's take a peek at all the equations at once by making a survey of the sample statistics involved in each equation in the computed Groebner basis.

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In[354]:=
Map[Variables, gb] //
Map[Cases[#, Except[f_]] &, #] & //
Column[#, Dividers -> All] &
```



Out[354]=

$\{\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{3,\alpha}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
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$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{2,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{2,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
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$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{2,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
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$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{1,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{2,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{2,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{\alpha}, P_{2,\alpha}, P_{2,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{\alpha}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{\alpha}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{2,\beta}, P_{\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{\alpha}, P_{1,\alpha}, P_{1,\beta}\}$

Interesting, the 2nd equation involves  $P_{3,\beta}$  alone. This means that there is a polynomial for it that we can use to see how  $P_{3,\beta}$  varies along the evaluation variety. Here is the polynomial.

In[355]:=

**gb[[2]]**

Out[355]=

$$\begin{aligned}
& P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} - P_{3,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} - P_{3,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + \\
& f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - 2 P_{3,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + P_{3,\beta} f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + \\
& P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 + \\
& P_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + P_{3,\beta} f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - P_{3,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - \\
& P_{3,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - P_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - P_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + \\
& P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - P_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - P_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + P_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2
\end{aligned}$$

It looks like a quadratic. Let's collect the terms using  $P_{3,\beta}$

In[356]:=

**Collect[gb[[2]], P<sub>3,β</sub>, Factor]**

Out[356]=

$$\begin{aligned}
& f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + \\
& P_{3,\beta} \left( -f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} - f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - \right. \\
& \quad \left. f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 \right) + \\
& P_{3,\beta}^2 \left( f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + \right. \\
& \quad \left. f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + \right. \\
& \quad \left. f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

The appearance of quadratics like this for a single of the evaluation statistics is the beginning of the proof that the evaluation variety connected to the independent algebraic evaluator consists of two points in the 7 dimensional space of these evaluation statistics. There is a solution ladder, if you will, the elimination ladder, that starts using this quadratic and then using the solutions for  $P_{3,\beta}$  to get solutions for the other statistics. We want to climb that elimination ladder but all this algebra still looks crazy. Let's start by forgetting about this Groebner basis and see if we can get another one for our evaluation ideal that plays nicer. It should be possible to get a quadratic for  $P_\alpha$

In[357]:=

```
gb = GroebnerBasis[
  MakeIndependentVotingIdeal[{1, 2, 3}], Reverse@evaluationVariables];
Length@gb
```

Out[358]=

42

First note that this 2nd Groebner computation has 42 equations, not 41 as before. This should prevent the reader from thinking that a Groebner basis is like a vector basis. We wish that was the case, but it isn't. There are many possible Groebner basis given any polynomial ideal. The practical effect of this is that algebraic evaluation is not just a trivial application of algebraic geometry. We need to do the hard work to understand a given evaluation ideal and figure out the best Groebner basis for our purposes. We have done so here. There is a polynomial that only has  $P_\alpha$ .

```
In[359]:= Map[Variables, gb] //  
  Map[Cases[#, Except[f_]] &, #] & //  
  Column[#, Dividers → All] &
```

Out[359]=

$\{\}$
$\{P_\alpha\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_\alpha\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_\alpha\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_\alpha\}$
$\{P_\alpha, P_{1,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{1,\beta}\}$
$\{P_\alpha, P_{1,\alpha}, P_{1,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{1,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{1,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_\alpha, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_\alpha, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_\alpha, P_{1,\alpha}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{2,\beta}\}$
$\{P_\alpha, P_{2,\alpha}, P_{2,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{1,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{2,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_\alpha, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_\alpha, P_{1,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{2,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_\alpha, P_{2,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{2,\alpha}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\alpha}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_\alpha, P_{3,\alpha}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{1,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{2,\alpha}\}$
$\{P_{2,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{1,\beta}, P_{2,\beta}, P_{3,\beta}\}$
$\{P_{3,\beta}, P_{3,\alpha}\}$

Yes. There it is. The 2nd polynomial in this Groebner basis is expressed in terms of  $P_\alpha$

Out[360]=

`Collect[gb[[2]], Pα, Factor]`

Out[360]=

[illegible]

$$\begin{aligned}
& 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + \\
& f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - \\
& 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 4 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^4)
\end{aligned}$$

Ok, still crazy complicated. What does all this algebra mean? We need insight based on our understanding of our evaluation task. Remember, algebra is dumb. Algebra does as algebra is. That is the whole point of why they are useful for ameliorating the AI safety monitoring paradox. Nonetheless, we need to make sense of this evaluation thermometer. And we will. But first let's go back to the evaluation task quickly and see how this polynomial does get us a good estimate of the true prevalence in our running UCI Adult test.

In[361]:=

```
Collect[gb[[2]], Pα, Factor] /. evaluationDataSketch
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Out[361]=

$$\frac{5\,659\,724\,374\,199\,502\,787\,125}{2\,500\,686\,153\,042\,940\,042\,298\,657\,344} - \frac{29\,957\,776\,434\,081\,P_{\alpha}}{1\,842\,352\,775\,161\,025\,296} + \frac{29\,957\,776\,434\,081\,P_{\alpha}^2}{1\,842\,352\,775\,161\,025\,296}$$

I never stop being thrilled by the sight of these polynomials. Consider what this simple polynomial is doing for us. The evaluation of three binary classifiers has been reduced to an algebraic equation, a quadratic equation, that anyone that has taken high-school algebra can solve. Mathematics in Machine Evaluation Land IS easier than mathematics in Machine Training Land. Let's solve it with Mathematica.

In[362]:=

```
alphaPrevalenceIndependentAlgebraicEvaluation =
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$$\text{Solve}\left[\frac{5\,659\,724\,374\,199\,502\,787\,125}{2\,500\,686\,153\,042\,940\,042\,298\,657\,344} - \frac{29\,957\,776\,434\,081\,P_{\alpha}}{1\,842\,352\,775\,161\,025\,296} + \frac{29\,957\,776\,434\,081\,P_{\alpha}^2}{1\,842\,352\,775\,161\,025\,296} = 0, P_{\alpha}\right]$$

Out[362]=

$$\left\{ \left\{ P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{61\,316\,911\,076\,911\,789 - 2\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{122\,633\,822\,153\,823\,578} \right\}, \right. \\
\left. \left\{ P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{61\,316\,911\,076\,911\,789 + 2\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{122\,633\,822\,153\,823\,578} \right\} \right\}$$

```
In[363]:=
N@alphaPrevalenceIndependentAlgebraicEvaluation
evaluationGroundTruth[Pα] // N
```

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Out[363]=
{{Pα → 0.167114}, {Pα → 0.832886}}
```

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Out[364]=
0.154362
```

All this work from first principles is done for us in Mathematica's Solve function. But when you do it this way, you see where the solution comes from. In addition, you can then try to create the product of any algebraic computation - an algebraic formula for the performance of the classifiers.

But the hard work is not done. We have to re-interpret the raw Grobner basis calculation in terms of moments of the voting frequencies. Our end goal will be a ratio of two polynomials, each polynomial, in turn, involving moments of the frequencies. Such explicit expressions should make it clear to the reader that algebraic evaluation is a data streaming algorithm.

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## Estimating sample label prevalence, $P_\alpha$

Finally, after a long detour explaining how to calculate the Groebner basis for the independent algebraic evaluator, we get to a practical task. A simple, algebraic estimate of the unknown prevalence that we can the code back in the ntqr Python package. We have advanced to the point of noticing that the unknown prevalence in the test sample is given by a quadratic,

$$a(\dots) * P_\alpha^2 + b(\dots) * P_\alpha + c(\dots) == 0.$$

```
In[372]:=
prevalenceRules = CoefficientRules[gb[[2]], Pα] // Association;
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In[375]:=
a = prevalenceRules[{2}]
Length@a
Factor@a
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[illegible]



Wow. Our 1st set of simplifications relates to the frequency of votes from each classifiers. For example, the number of times that classifier 1 voted  $\alpha$  is given by,

Okay. Let's move on to the other coefficients.

In[378]:=

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b = prevalenceRules[{1}]  
Length[b]  
a == -b
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Out[378]=

$$\begin{aligned}
& -f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + 4 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + \\
& 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + \\
& 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 + 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 - 4 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + \\
& 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - \\
& 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - \\
& 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 4 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - \\
& 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 - \\
& 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 - 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 - 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 - 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^4
\end{aligned}$$

Out[379]=

72

Out[380]=

True

The “b” coefficient is actually the negative of the “a” coefficient. This simplifies the math. Let us move on to the “c” coefficient.

In[381]:=

```
c = prevalenceRules[{0}] // Simplify
Length@c
```

Out[381]=

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \left( (f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) (-1 + f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) + \right. \\
& \quad f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} (f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} (f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) \left. \right) \\
& \quad (f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) (-1 + f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) + \\
& \quad f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} (f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} (f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) \left. \right) \\
& \quad (f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \\
& \quad f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} (f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} (-1 + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta})) \left. \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Out[382]=

4

This is simpler, we get a clue that going to variables of the form  $f_{i,\beta}$  will make this simpler. Let's try it.

In[384]:=

```
varSubRules = {f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} \to f_{1,\beta} - f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta},
               f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} \to f_{2,\beta} - f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} \to f_{3,\beta} - f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}};
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In[385]:=

```
(Simplify@c //. varSubRules) // Factor
```

Out[385]=

$$(f_{1,\beta} f_{3,\beta} - f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) (f_{1,\beta} f_{2,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) (-f_{2,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta})$$

In[386]:=

```
deltaVarRules = {f_{1,\beta} f_{2,\beta} \to -\Delta_{1,2} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta},
                 f_{1,\beta} f_{3,\beta} \to -\Delta_{1,3} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{2,\beta} f_{3,\beta} \to -\Delta_{2,3} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}}
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Out[386]=

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{f_{1,\beta} f_{2,\beta} \to -\Delta_{1,2} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta},
 f_{1,\beta} f_{3,\beta} \to -\Delta_{1,3} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{2,\beta} f_{3,\beta} \to -\Delta_{2,3} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}}
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In[387]:=

```
((Simplify@c //. varSubRules) // Factor) /. deltaVarRules
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Out[387]=

$$\Delta_{1,2} \Delta_{1,3} \Delta_{2,3}$$

How do these values simplify the a,b quadratic coefficients?

In[388]:=

```
deltaVarRules2 = {f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} \to f_{1,\beta} f_{2,\beta} + \Delta_{1,2} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} \to f_{1,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + \Delta_{1,3} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} \to f_{2,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + \Delta_{2,3} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}}
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Out[388]=

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{f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} \to f_{1,\beta} f_{2,\beta} + \Delta_{1,2} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} \to f_{1,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + \Delta_{1,3} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} \to f_{2,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + \Delta_{2,3} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}}
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In[389]:=

```

{a, (a //. varSubRules) // Simplify,
  ((a //. varSubRules) // Simplify) /. deltaVarRules2) //
  CoefficientRules[#, fβ,β,β] & // Association // Map[Factor, #] & //
  Map[PolynomialReduce[#, {f1,β f2,β f3,β + f1,β Δ2,3 + f2,β Δ1,3 + f3,β Δ1,2},
    {f1,β, f2,β, f3,β, Δ1,2, Δ1,3, Δ2,3}] &, #] & //
  Map[(f1,β f2,β f3,β + f1,β Δ2,3 + f2,β Δ1,3 + f3,β Δ1,2) * First@First@# + Last@#] &,
    #] & // Normal //
  FromCoefficientRules[#, fβ,β,β] & //
  (# - 4 Δ1,2 Δ1,3 Δ2,3) & // Factor // (4 Δ1,2 Δ1,3 Δ2,3 + #) & // Reverse //
  Column[#, Dividers → All, Alignment → Center] &

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Out[389]=

$4 \Delta_{1,2} \Delta_{1,3} \Delta_{2,3} + (f_{1,\beta} f_{2,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + f_{3,\beta} \Delta_{1,2} + f_{2,\beta} \Delta_{1,3} + f_{1,\beta} \Delta_{2,3} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta})^2$
$4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 + 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$ $4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 4 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{3,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 +$ $4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 4 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 4 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 4 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + f_{1,\beta}^2 (f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta})^2 +$ $f_{2,\beta}^2 (f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta})^2 - 2 f_{2,\beta} (f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) (f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{3,\beta} (f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta})) -$ $2 f_{1,\beta} (f_{2,\beta} (f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} (f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} (-2 f_{3,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta})) +$ $(f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}) (f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{3,\beta} (f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}))$
$f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} -$ $2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - 4 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} -$ $4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} - 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} -$ $4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 - 4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 + 4 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} -$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} -$ $4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 -$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 +$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 +$ $4 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 -$ $2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 4 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 +$ $2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}^2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 - 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 +$ $2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + 2 f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^3 + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^4$

## Closed, algebraic formulas for $P_\alpha$

So we are done. There are no more algebraic simplifications. As we see, the algebraic estimate of the prevalence is composed of finite moments of the single classifier, the pairs, and the single trio. How

could it be otherwise? There are no unknown unknowns in sample statistics algebra. Finite samples have finite moment expansions and the algebra of evaluation of noisy judges cannot avoid that algebraic fact.

We continue by solving the quadratic polynomial for the prevalence. Let's do it in a simplified fashion. Let's erase the  $a, b, c$  variables and start from scratch.

In[390]:=

**Remove[{a, b, c}]**

In[391]:=

**quadraticSolutions = Solve[a \* P $_{\alpha}$ <sup>2</sup> + b \* P $_{\alpha}$  + c == 0, P $_{\alpha}$ ]**

Out[391]=

$$\left\{ \left\{ P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4 a c}}{2 a} \right\}, \left\{ P_{\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4 a c}}{2 a} \right\} \right\}$$

It seems we are done. We finally have a fully algebraic expression for the estimate of the prevalence of the  $\alpha$  label on the test sample. We can now solve equation,

$$a(\dots) * P_{\alpha}^2 + b(\dots) * P_{\alpha} + c(\dots) == 0.$$

Not quite, we have to return to the voting frequency moments we observed in the sample since those are the counts we have observed empirically,

In[393]:=

**votePatternFrequencies = {f $_{\alpha,\alpha,\alpha}$ , f $_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}$ , f $_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}$ , f $_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}$ , f $_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}$ , f $_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}$ , f $_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}$ , f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$ }**

Out[393]=

{f $_{\alpha,\alpha,\alpha}$ , f $_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}$ , f $_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}$ , f $_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}$ , f $_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}$ , f $_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}$ , f $_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}$ , f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$ }

In[395]:=

**unwindRules = {**  
**Reverse /@**  
**{ - (f $_{1,\beta}$  f $_{2,\beta}$  - f $_{1,2,\beta}$ ) →  $\Delta_{1,2}$ , - (f $_{1,\beta}$  f $_{3,\beta}$  - f $_{1,3,\beta}$ ) →  $\Delta_{1,3}$ , - (f $_{2,\beta}$  f $_{3,\beta}$  - f $_{2,3,\beta}$ ) →  $\Delta_{2,3}$  },**  
**Reverse /@ { (f $_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$ ) → f $_{1,2,\beta}$ ,**  
**(f $_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$ ) → f $_{1,3,\beta}$ , (f $_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$ ) → f $_{2,3,\beta}$  },**  
**Reverse /@ { f $_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}$  + f $_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$  → f $_{1,\beta}$ ,**  
**f $_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha}$  + f $_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\alpha}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$  → f $_{2,\beta}$ , f $_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta}$  + f $_{\alpha,\beta,\beta}$  + f $_{\beta,\alpha,\beta}$  + f $_{\beta,\beta,\beta}$  → f $_{3,\beta}$  } } // Flatten**

Out[395]=

$$\begin{aligned} &\{\Delta_{1,2} \rightarrow -f_{1,\beta} f_{2,\beta} + f_{1,2,\beta}, \Delta_{1,3} \rightarrow -f_{1,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + f_{1,3,\beta}, \\ &\Delta_{2,3} \rightarrow -f_{2,\beta} f_{3,\beta} + f_{2,3,\beta}, f_{1,2,\beta} \rightarrow f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{1,3,\beta} \rightarrow f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, \\ &f_{2,3,\beta} \rightarrow f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{1,\beta} \rightarrow f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, \\ &f_{2,\beta} \rightarrow f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}, f_{3,\beta} \rightarrow f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} \} \end{aligned}$$

Let us evaluate this step by step and see how the estimate for the prevalence is computed algebraically.

$$a(\dots) * P_{\alpha}^2 + b(\dots) * P_{\alpha} + c(\dots) == 0.$$

```
In[*]:= evaluationDataSketch
prevalenceQuadraticGrid /. evaluationDataSketch
```

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Out[*]=
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$$\left\{ f_{\alpha,\alpha,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{493}{18421}, f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{315}{18421}, f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{5801}{36842}, f_{\alpha,\beta,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{3986}{18421}, \right. \\ \left. f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{281}{18421}, f_{\beta,\alpha,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{493}{36842}, f_{\beta,\beta,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{3856}{18421}, f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{6343}{18421} \right\}$$

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Out[*]=
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a	$\frac{29957776434081}{1842352775161025296}$
b	$-\frac{29957776434081}{1842352775161025296}$
c	$\frac{5659724374199502787125}{2500686153042940042298657344}$

The 'a' and 'b' coefficients are identical except for a sign difference. But let's blindly pretend they are different and just do the rote quadratic formula we know from high school algebra.

```
In[*]:= prevalenceAlgebraicEvaluation =
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$$\left( -\left( -\frac{29957776434081}{1842352775161025296} \right) - \text{Sqrt} \left[ \left( -\frac{29957776434081}{1842352775161025296} \right)^2 - \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. 4 * \frac{29957776434081}{1842352775161025296} * \frac{5659724374199502787125}{2500686153042940042298657344} \right] \right) / \\ \left( 2 * \left( \frac{29957776434081}{1842352775161025296} \right) \right) // \text{Simplify} // \{ \#, N\# \} \&$$

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Out[*]=
```

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{11187722681}{18421 \sqrt{3328641826009}}, 0.167114 \right\}$$

The estimate for  $P_\alpha$  one gets from majority voting is,

```
In[*]:= majorityVotingEvaluation =
```

$$(f_{\alpha,\alpha,\alpha} + f_{\alpha,\alpha,\beta} + f_{\alpha,\beta,\alpha} + f_{\beta,\alpha,\alpha}) /. \text{evaluationDataSketch} // \{ \#, N\# \} \&$$

```
Out[*]=
```

$$\left\{ \frac{7979}{36842}, 0.216573 \right\}$$

And what is the sample value for the prevalence?

```
In[*]:= evaluationGroundTruth[P_alpha] // {#, N@#} &
```

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Out[*]=
```

$$\left\{ \frac{5687}{36842}, 0.154362 \right\}$$

```

In[ ]:= comparisonTable = Transpose@{
  {"evaluationGroundTruth[Pα]",
   "majorityVotingEvaluation",
   "prevalenceAlgebraicEvaluation"},
  {evaluationGroundTruth[Pα] // {#, N@#} & // Reverse,
   majorityVotingEvaluation // Reverse,
   prevalenceAlgebraicEvaluation // Reverse
  } // Grid[#, Dividers → All, Alignment → {Left}] & //
Column[{
  StringJoin[
    {"Algebraic evaluation is not just
     different than majority voting, it is better.",
     "The majority vote estimate of the α label
     obtained using three binary classifiers",
     "tested on an unlabeled subset of UCI Adult
     is compared here to the actual prevalence",
     "of the label in the test
     sample. Majority voting is off by about 6%.",
     "In contrast, algebraic evaluation yields an estimate that is off by
     about 1%."} // Riffle[#, "\n"] &, #], Alignment → Center] &;

In[ ]:= comparisonTable
Out[ ]:=
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The majority vote estimate of the
α label obtained using three binary classifiers
tested on an unlabeled subset of
UCI Adult is compared here to the actual prevalence
of the label in the test sample. Majority voting is off by about 6%.
In contrast, algebraic evaluation yields an estimate that is off by about 1%.

```

evaluationGroundTruth[P <sub>α</sub> ]	$\{0.154362, \frac{5687}{36842}\}$
majorityVotingEvaluation	$\{0.216573, \frac{7979}{36842}\}$
prevalenceAlgebraicEvaluation	$\{0.167114, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{11187722681}{18421\sqrt{3328641826009}}\}$

## Is algebraic evaluation just majority voting?

No. This is the single most common misconception people familiar with Training theory have. Inference and decision are two different things. The same applies in Evaluation land. There is a decision side to using the crowd - majority voting. There is an inference side to using the crowd - algebraic evaluation. This is vividly demonstrated by the algebra above that displays the estimate majority voting makes for the prevalence of the alpha label in the test sample. Along side it is the result of all our algebraic efforts preceding it. The two estimates are nothing like each other.

## Estimating classifiers label accuracy

We are now ready to solve for the classifiers label accuracy. Our strategy follows the algebraic structure of the Groebner basis solution we obtained before. As we worked out above, the prevalence was solvable because it appeared as the only variable in a single equation in the computed basis. We then observe that we can relate any label accuracy to the prevalence because there are linear equations in the Groebner basis connecting the two. Let us see where they are,

```
In[*]:= Map[Variables, gb] // Map[Cases[#, Except[f_]] &, #] & // Sort /@# & //
      MapIndexed[{#1, #2[[1]]} &, #] & // Select[#, Length@First@# == 2 &] &

Out[*]=
{{{P $\alpha$ , P $_{1,\alpha}$ }, 3}, {{P $\alpha$ , P $_{1,\alpha}$ }, 4}, {{P $\alpha$ , P $_{1,\alpha}$ }, 5}, {{P $\alpha$ , P $_{1,\alpha}$ }, 6},
 {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{1,\beta}$ }, 8}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{1,\beta}$ }, 10}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{1,\beta}$ }, 11}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{2,\alpha}$ }, 12},
 {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{2,\alpha}$ }, 15}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{2,\alpha}$ }, 16}, {{P $_{1,\beta}$ , P $_{2,\alpha}$ }, 18}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{2,\beta}$ }, 19},
 {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{2,\beta}$ }, 21}, {{P $_{1,\beta}$ , P $_{2,\beta}$ }, 22}, {{P $_{2,\alpha}$ , P $_{2,\beta}$ }, 23}, {{P $_{2,\alpha}$ , P $_{2,\beta}$ }, 24},
 {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\alpha}$ }, 25}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\alpha}$ }, 27}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\alpha}$ }, 28}, {{P $_{1,\beta}$ , P $_{3,\alpha}$ }, 30},
 {{P $_{2,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\alpha}$ }, 31}, {{P $_{2,\beta}$ , P $_{3,\alpha}$ }, 34}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\beta}$ }, 35}, {{P $_{1,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\beta}$ }, 37},
 {{P $_{1,\beta}$ , P $_{3,\beta}$ }, 38}, {{P $_{2,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\beta}$ }, 39}, {{P $_{2,\beta}$ , P $_{3,\beta}$ }, 40}, {{P $_{3,\alpha}$ , P $_{3,\beta}$ }, 42}}
```

Equations 3, 4, 5, and 6 in the Groebner basis relate  $\{P_\alpha, P_{1,\alpha}\}$ . Let's pick 3 arbitrarily

```
In[396]:= labelAccuracyPolyCoefficients =
      gb[[3]] // CoefficientRules[#, {P $\alpha$ , P $_{1,\alpha}$ }] & // Association;
Keys@labelAccuracyPolyCoefficients
```

```
Out[397]=
{{{1, 0}, {0, 1}, {0, 0}}}
```

This confirms that the third Groebner basis equation is a linear equation of the form,

$$d(\dots)P_\alpha + e(\dots)P_{1,\alpha} + g(\dots) == 0$$

Do we have enough transformation rules to simplify these coefficients like we did with the prevalence quadratic?

In[398]:=

```
simplifyRules = {
  {(f1,β f2,β - f1,2,β) → -Δ1,2, (f1,β f3,β - f1,3,β) → -Δ1,3, (f2,β f3,β - f2,3,β) → -Δ2,3},
  {(fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β) → f1,2,β, (fβ,α,β + fβ,β,β) → f1,3,β, (fα,β,β + fβ,β,β) → f2,3,β},
  {fβ,α,α + fβ,α,β + fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β → f1,β,
   fα,β,α + fα,β,β + fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β → f2,β, fα,α,β + fα,β,β + fβ,α,β + fβ,β,β → f3,β} //
  Reverse // Flatten
```

Out[398]=

```
{fβ,α,α + fβ,α,β + fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β → f1,β,
 fα,β,α + fα,β,β + fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β → f2,β, fα,α,β + fα,β,β + fβ,α,β + fβ,β,β → f3,β,
 fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β → f1,2,β, fβ,α,β + fβ,β,β → f1,3,β, fα,β,β + fβ,β,β → f2,3,β,
 f1,β f2,β - f1,2,β → -Δ1,2, f1,β f3,β - f1,3,β → -Δ1,3, f2,β f3,β - f2,3,β → -Δ2,3}
```

Let us get expressions for the terms d(...), e(...), and g(...)

In[399]:=

```
thirdGBPolynomialCoefficients = Map[
  ToFixedPointPolynomial[labelAccuracyPolyCoefficients[#], simplifyRules] &,
  {{1, 0}, {0, 1}, {0, 0}} // Transpose[{{d, e, g}, #}] & // Rule@@# & /@# &
```

Out[399]=

```
{d → ToFixedPointPolynomial[fα,β,β2 fβ,α,α2 - 2 fα,β,α fα,β,β fβ,α,α fβ,α,β + fα,β,α2 fβ,α,β2 - 2 fα,α,β fα,β,β fβ,α,α fβ,β,α -
  2 fα,α,β fα,β,α fβ,α,β fβ,β,α + ... 73 ... + 2 fβ,α,β fβ,β,α fβ,β,β2 + fβ,β,α2 fβ,β,β2 - 2 fβ,β,α3 fβ,β,β + 2 fα,α,β fβ,β,β3 + 2 fα,β,α fβ,β,β3 +
  2 fα,β,β fβ,β,β3 + 2 fβ,α,α fβ,β,β3 + 2 fβ,α,β fβ,β,β3 + 2 fβ,β,α fβ,β,β3 + fβ,β,β4, {fβ,α,α + fβ,α,β + fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β → f1,β,
  fα,β,α + fα,β,β + fβ,β,α + fβ,β,β → f2,β, ... 5 ..., f1,β f3,β - f1,3,β → -Δ1,3, f2,β f3,β - f2,3,β → -Δ2,3},
  e → ToFixedPointPolynomial[... 1 ..., g → ToFixedPointPolynomial[... 1 ..., {... 1 ...}]}]
```

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There is more simplification needed!

And let's get the expressions for the terms a(...), b(...), and c(...) that allowed us to solve for P<sub>α</sub>

```
In[400]:= prevalencePolynomialCoefficients = ToFixedPointPolynomial[#, simplifyRules] & /@
  fullySimplifiedQuadraticCoefficients //
  Factor /@# & // Transpose[{{a, b, c}, #}] & // Rule@@# & /@# &
```

Out[400]=

```
{a → f3,β2 f1,2,β2 - 2 p23 f1,2,β f1,3,β + f2,β2 f1,3,β2 - 2 p13 f1,2,β f2,3,β -
  2 p12 f1,3,β f2,3,β - 2 f1,2,β f1,3,β f2,3,β + f1,β2 f2,3,β2 + 4 p12 f3,β fβ,β,β +
  2 f3,β f1,2,β fβ,β,β - 2 f2,β f1,3,β fβ,β,β - 2 f1,β f2,3,β fβ,β,β + fβ,β,β2,
  b → -f3,β2 f1,2,β2 + 2 p23 f1,2,β f1,3,β - f2,β2 f1,3,β2 + 2 p13 f1,2,β f2,3,β + 2 p12 f1,3,β f2,3,β +
  2 f1,2,β f1,3,β f2,3,β - f1,β2 f2,3,β2 - 4 p12 f3,β fβ,β,β - 2 f3,β f1,2,β fβ,β,β +
  2 f2,β f1,3,β fβ,β,β + 2 f1,β f2,3,β fβ,β,β - fβ,β,β2, c → -p12 p13 p23}
```



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In[*]:= algebraicEstimate = ((-g - d * ((-b - Sqrt[b^2 - 4 * a * c]) / 2 / a)) / e) /.
  Join[prevalencePolynomialCoefficients,
    thirdGBPolynomialCoefficients] // Rationalize

Out[*]=

$$\left( 2 p_{12} p_{23} f_{3,\beta} + p_{23} f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} - p_{12} f_{3,\beta}^2 f_{1,2,\beta} - \right.$$


$$p_{12} p_{23} f_{1,3,\beta} - p_{23} f_{2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} - p_{23} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} + f_{2,\beta}^2 f_{1,3,\beta}^2 + p_{12} p_{13} f_{2,3,\beta} -$$


$$p_{12} f_{3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} - f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} - p_{12} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} + f_{1,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta}^2 + p_{23} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$$


$$3 p_{12} f_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{1,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$$


$$f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left( -f_{3,\beta}^2 f_{1,2,\beta}^2 + 2 p_{23} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} - f_{2,\beta}^2 f_{1,3,\beta}^2 + 2 p_{13} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} + \right.$$


$$2 p_{12} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} + 2 f_{1,2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} - f_{1,\beta}^2 f_{2,3,\beta}^2 - 4 p_{12} f_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} -$$


$$2 f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{1,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 +$$


$$\sqrt{\left( \left( -f_{3,\beta}^2 f_{1,2,\beta}^2 + 2 p_{23} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} - f_{2,\beta}^2 f_{1,3,\beta}^2 + 2 p_{13} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} + \right. \right.}$$


$$2 p_{12} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} + 2 f_{1,2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} - f_{1,\beta}^2 f_{2,3,\beta}^2 - 4 p_{12} f_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} -$$


$$2 f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + 2 f_{1,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 \Big)^2 +$$


$$4 p_{12} p_{13} p_{23} \left( f_{3,\beta}^2 f_{1,2,\beta}^2 - 2 p_{23} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} + f_{2,\beta}^2 f_{1,3,\beta}^2 - 2 p_{13} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} - \right.$$


$$2 p_{12} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} - 2 f_{1,2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} + f_{1,\beta}^2 f_{2,3,\beta}^2 + 4 p_{12} f_{3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} +$$


$$\left. \left. 2 f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} - 2 f_{1,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} + f_{\beta,\beta,\beta}^2 \right) \right) \Big) \Big) /$$


$$\left( 2 p_{12} p_{23} f_{3,\beta} + p_{23} f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} - p_{23} f_{2,\beta} f_{1,3,\beta} - p_{12} f_{3,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} - \right.$$


$$f_{3,\beta} f_{1,2,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta} +$$


$$f_{1,\beta} f_{2,3,\beta}^2 +$$


$$\left. p_{23} f_{\beta,\beta,\beta} \right)$$


```

We leave it as an exercise for the reader to confirm that unwinding these transformations does not make this estimate simpler. Instead, let us compute all the moments of the voting pattern frequencies we used.

```

In[*]:= momentsRules = simplifyRules // Reverse /@# & // (# /. evaluationDataSketch) & //
  TakeDrop[#, -3] & //
  Join[(First@# /. Last@#), Last@#] &

Out[*]=

$$\left\{ p_{12} \rightarrow -\frac{18\,432\,653}{1\,357\,332\,964}, p_{13} \rightarrow -\frac{18\,272\,925}{1\,357\,332\,964}, p_{23} \rightarrow -\frac{16\,803\,485}{1\,357\,332\,964}, \right.$$


$$f_{1,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{15\,389}{36\,842}, f_{2,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{2671}{36\,842}, f_{3,\alpha} \rightarrow \frac{15\,061}{36\,842}, f_{1,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{21\,453}{36\,842}, f_{2,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{34\,171}{36\,842},$$


$$\left. f_{3,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{21\,781}{36\,842}, f_{1,2,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{10\,199}{18\,421}, f_{1,3,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{13\,179}{36\,842}, f_{2,3,\beta} \rightarrow \frac{10\,329}{18\,421} \right\}$$


```

Finally, we can calculate the algebraic estimate for  $P_{1,\alpha}$ !

```
In[*]:= {P1,α, (algebraicEstimate /.
  Join[prevalencePolynomialCoefficients, thirdGBPolynomialCoefficients]) //
  (# /. Join[momentsRules, evaluationDataSketch]) & // Simplify // {#, N@#} &,
  evaluationGroundTruth[P1,α] // {#, N@#} &}
```

```
Out[*]=
```

$$\left\{ P_{1,\alpha}, \left\{ \frac{17\,681\,731 + 3\sqrt{3\,328\,641\,826\,009}}{33\,606\,970}, 0.688997 \right\}, \left\{ \frac{3737}{5687}, 0.657113 \right\} \right\}$$

And by symmetry arguments we can calculate  $P_{2,\alpha}$ , and  $P_{3,\alpha}$ .

```
In[*]:= {P2,α,
  (algebraicEstimate /. {p12 → p23, p13 → p12, p23 → p13,
    f1,β → f2,β, f2,β → f3,β, f3,β → f1,β,
    f1,2,β → f2,3,β, f1,3,β → f1,2,β, f2,3,β → f1,3,β}) //
  (# /. Join[momentsRules, evaluationDataSketch]) & //
  Simplify // {#, N@#}, evaluationGroundTruth[P2,α] //
  {#, N@#} & &}
```

```
Out[*]=
```

$$\left\{ P_{2,\alpha}, \left\{ \left\{ \frac{2\,097\,847 + \sqrt{3\,328\,641\,826\,009}}{12\,181\,950}, 0.321977 \right\}, \left\{ \frac{1260}{5687}, 0.221558 \right\} \right\} \right\}$$

```
In[*]:= {P3,α,
  (algebraicEstimate /. {p12 → p13, p13 → p23, p23 → p12,
    f1,β → f3,β, f2,β → f1,β, f3,β → f2,β,
    f1,2,β → f1,3,β, f1,3,β → f2,3,β, f2,3,β → f1,2,β}) //
  (# /. Join[momentsRules, evaluationDataSketch]) & //
  Simplify // {#, N@#}, evaluationGroundTruth[P3,α] //
  {#, N@#} & &}
```

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Out[*]=
```

$$\left\{ P_{3,\alpha}, \left\{ \left\{ \frac{18\,714\,539 + 3\sqrt{3\,328\,641\,826\,009}}{36\,865\,306}, 0.656116 \right\}, \left\{ \frac{4746}{5687}, 0.834535 \right\} \right\} \right\}$$

```
In[*]:= 
$$\frac{203\,065\,747\,643\,446\,327 + 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386}$$

```

```
Out[*]=
```

$$\frac{203\,065\,747\,643\,446\,327 + 3\sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386}$$

```
In[*]:= % // N
```

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Out[*]=
```

0.640823

```

In[*]:= 
$$\frac{209\,373\,072\,434\,759\,059 + 3 \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386} // N$$

Out[*]=
0.656116

In[*]:= 
$$\frac{209\,373\,072\,434\,759\,059 + 3 \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386} // \text{Evaluate}$$

Out[*]=

$$\frac{209\,373\,072\,434\,759\,059 + 3 \sqrt{416\,629\,916\,124\,502\,529\,599\,755\,188\,035\,849}}{412\,438\,820\,078\,205\,386}$$


```

## When is algebraic evaluation warranted?

The example we have been using from a single test of three binary classifiers trained on UCI Adult was picked for various reasons. Let us summarize them:

1. We are using the UCI Adult dataset. If the prized label was common, why do AI to identify it? The economic utility of using AI in a business lies in detecting the rare, valuable thing. Common valuable things, like air, need no detector. They are there for the picking. UCI Adult has the “0” label with a prevalence of about 30% - the adults that had an income greater than \$50K in the income tax returns pool that was used to build the detection features. This long tail skew is common in nature and technological settings. The converse, by the way, is possible. It may be that the rare thing is the dangerous thing. You are detecting carbon monoxide (CO) in a bedroom, for example. Mathematically both cases are essentially identically and it is just a matter of accounting how you transform one (detecting a valuable thing) to the other (detecting a dangerous thing). For the purposes of our discussion, let us continue with the rosier outlook - we are trying to detect a positive thing.
2. If you were looking for diamonds or gold, the prevalence would be even rarer. This rarity of the valuable label in binary classification means that average performance or the “exam grade” is not so useful. The best detectors are good at finding the rare thing without letting too much of the common stuff through. The run we have been using through out this notebooks has the feature that one of the detectors is malfunctioning - it has 21% accuracy of detecting the  $\alpha$  label. This run mimics an important business failure mode - a detector has flipped on the rare label. This is the reason that the algebraic evaluation is much better than majority voting. If all the classifiers were working correctly then majority voting would be closer to the actual prevalence and algebraic evaluation would be marginally better. If everything is working okay, there is no advantage to using algebraic evaluation over using majority voting. Both algorithms would output assessments that would lead to marginally different outcomes that upon deployment may not be measurable or repeatable.
3. The test was successful. But only because we know what the ground truth answer is. We have confirmed, using the correct label for the dataset, that for this test run, the classifiers are nearly error independent. But this is still not quite what we would need to increase our safety upon deployments. How would we know, on a given test whether the classifiers were error independent

enough for us to trust the outcome of this simple evaluation model? We need more than the independent model to solve this engineering problem. This is the subject of another notebook - `ErrorDependencyAndHowToMeasureIt.nb`

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## Where next?