



HPE DSI 311

Introduction to Machine Learning

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Overview



Assessing Model Capacity

- The Bias-Variance tradeoff

Supervised classification using deep learning models

- Neural Nets

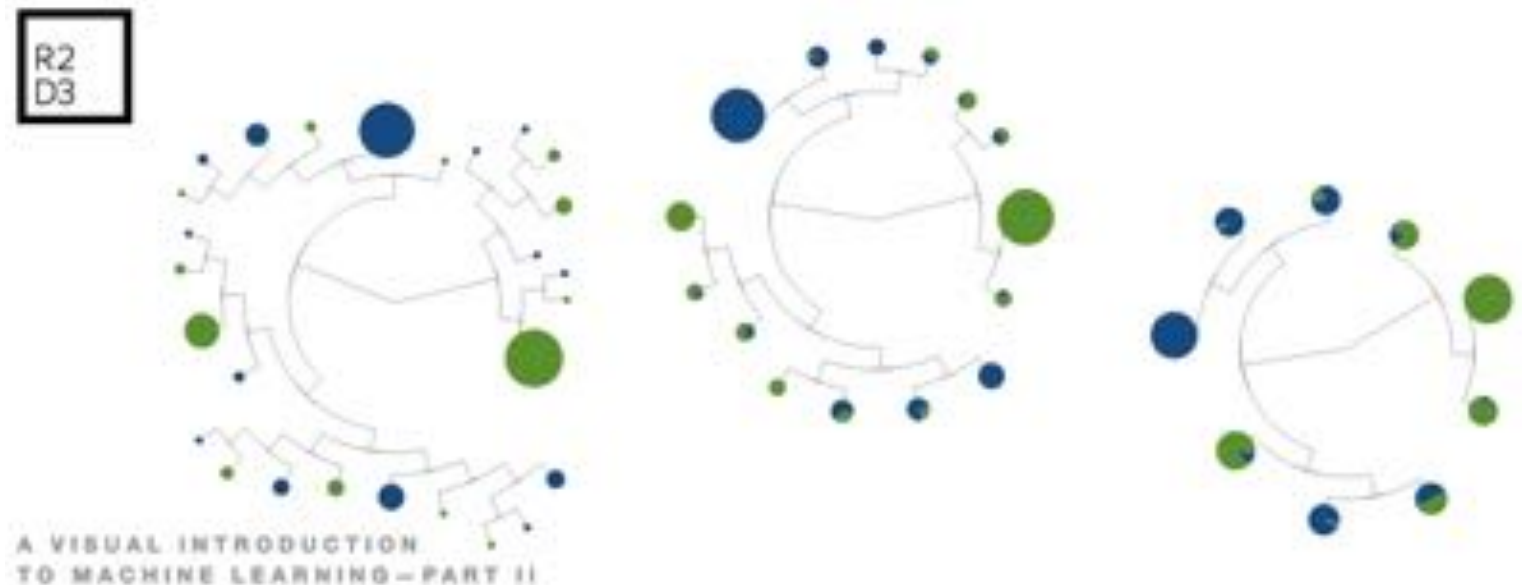
The bias-variance tradeoff



Model tuning: the over/under (fitting)



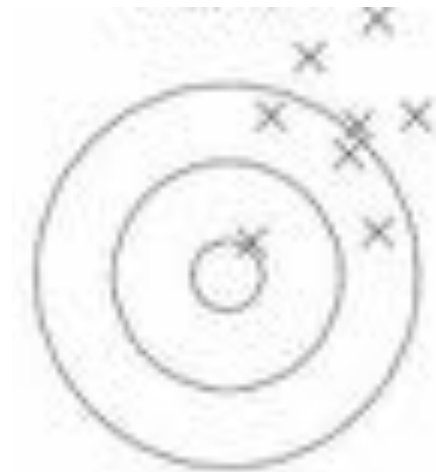
Interactive visualization of the main idea



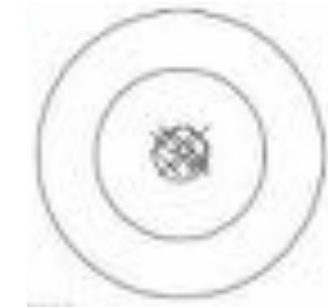
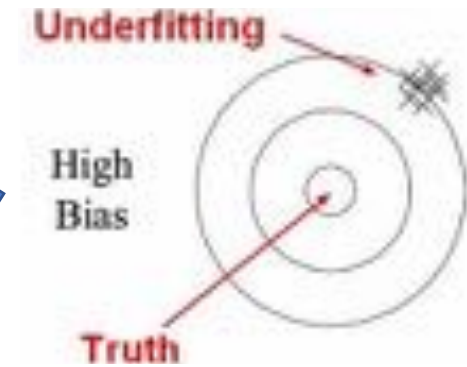
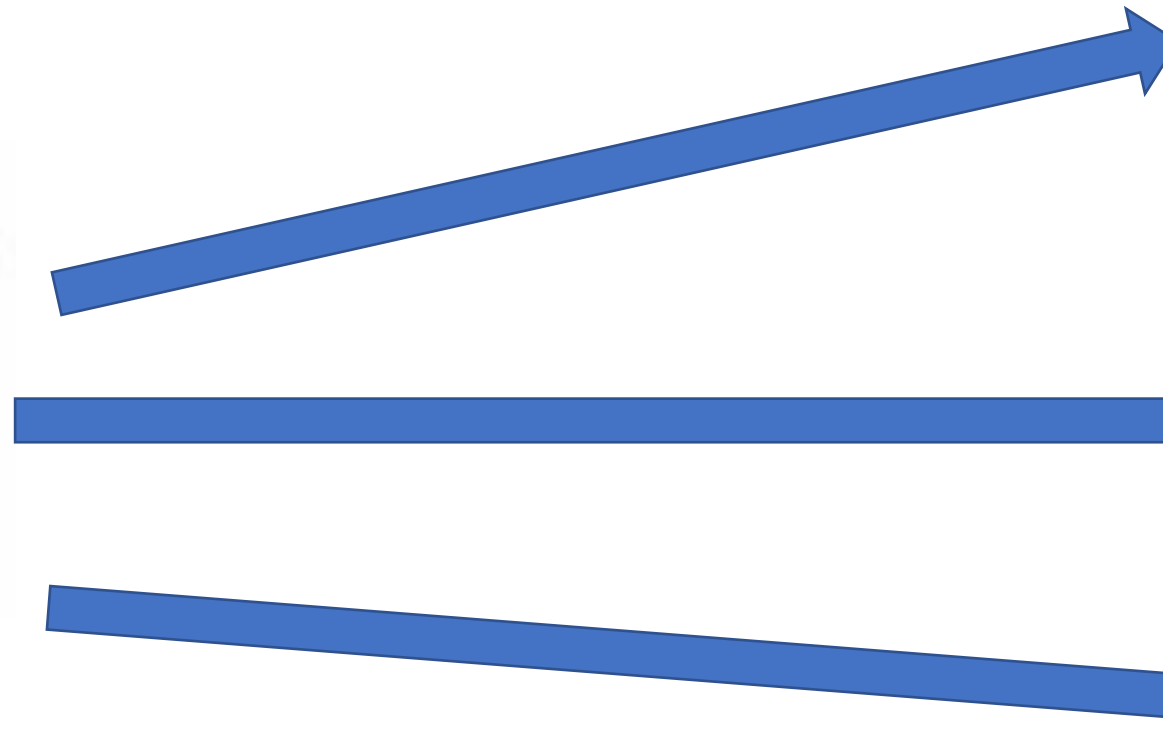
Model Tuning and the Bias-Variance Tradeoff

<http://www.r2d3.us/visual-intro-to-machine-learning-part-2/>

Model training (fitting/tuning) process



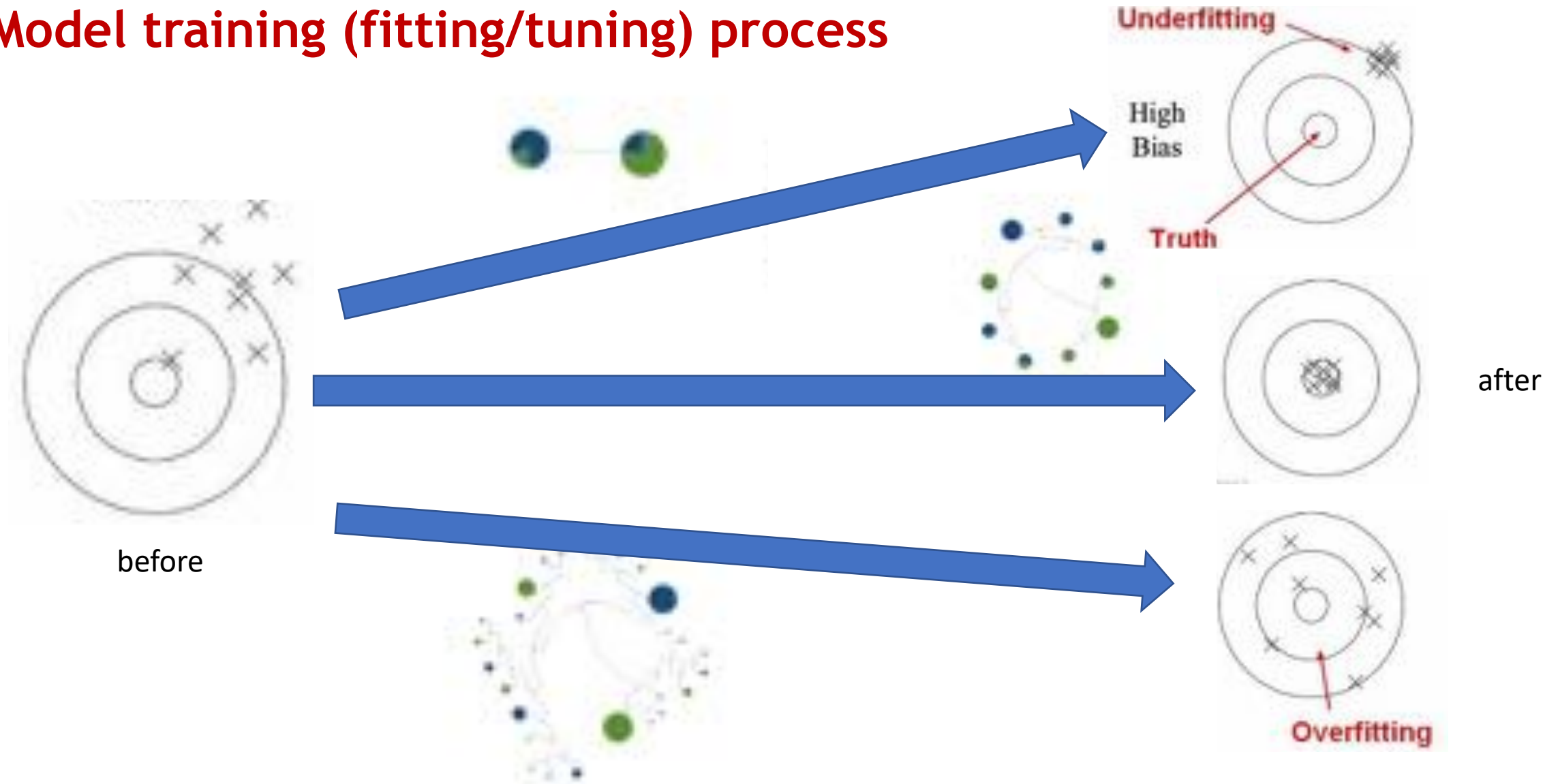
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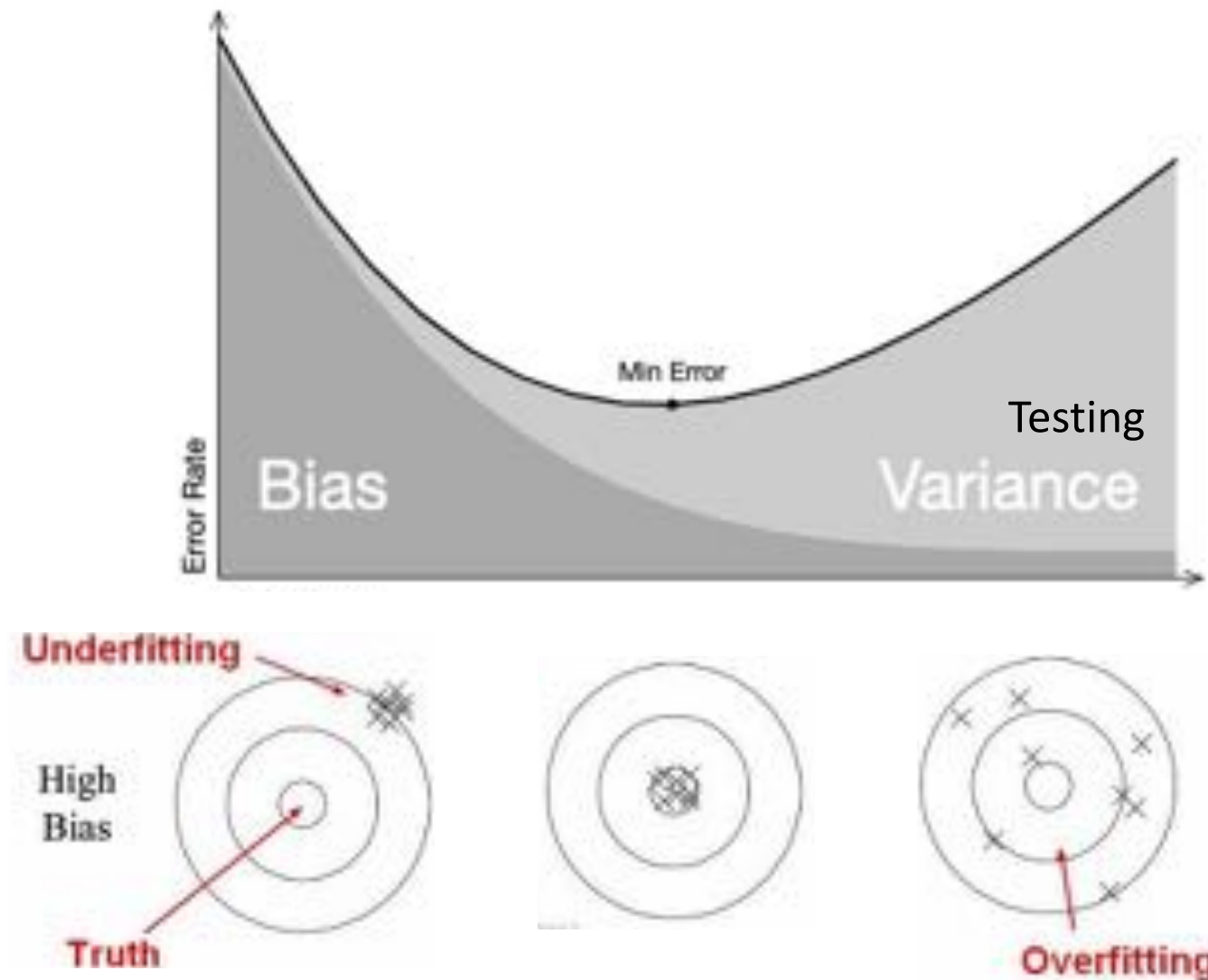
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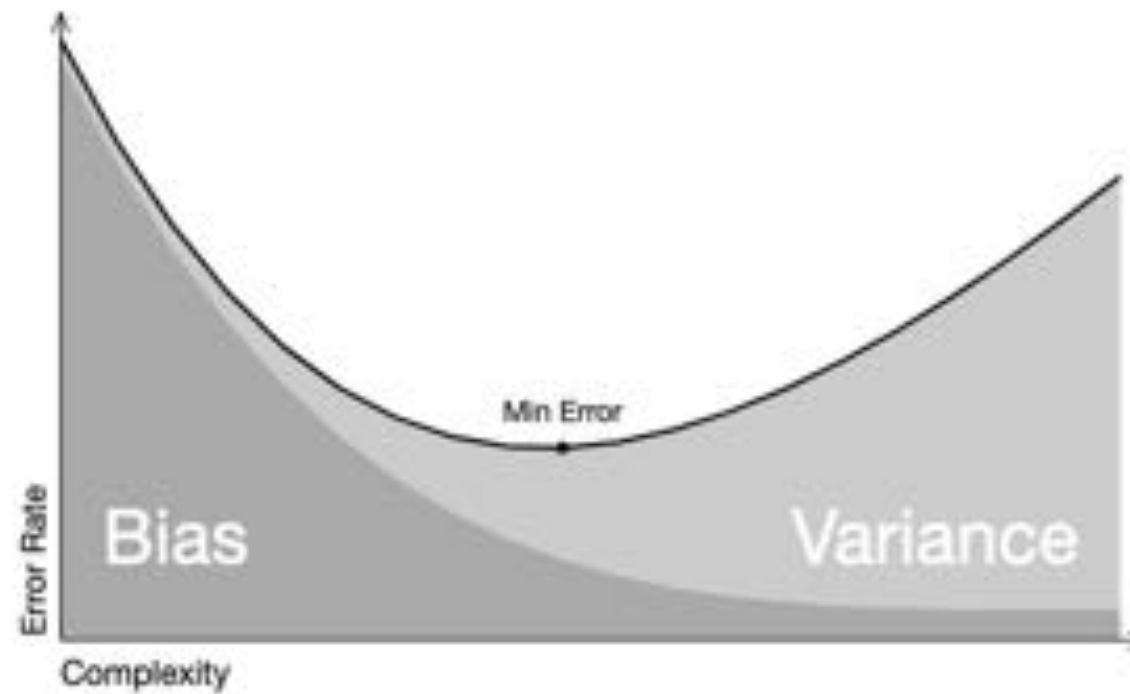
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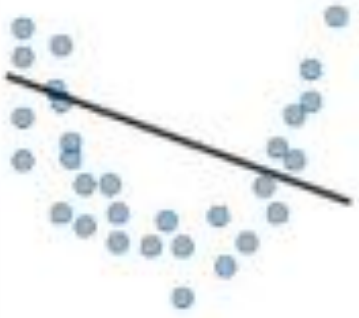


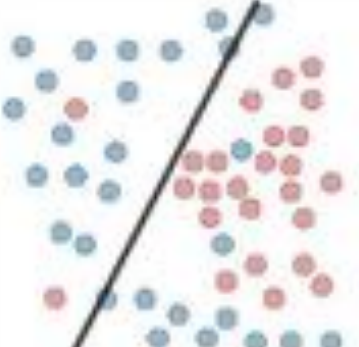
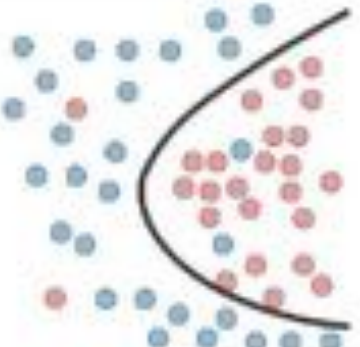
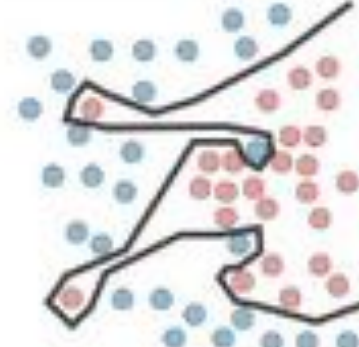
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	Underfitting	Just right	Overfitting
Symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High training error - Training error close to test error - High bias 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training error slightly lower than test error 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Low training error - Training error much lower than test error - High variance
Regression			
Classification			



Hands-on Example

Ready to move on



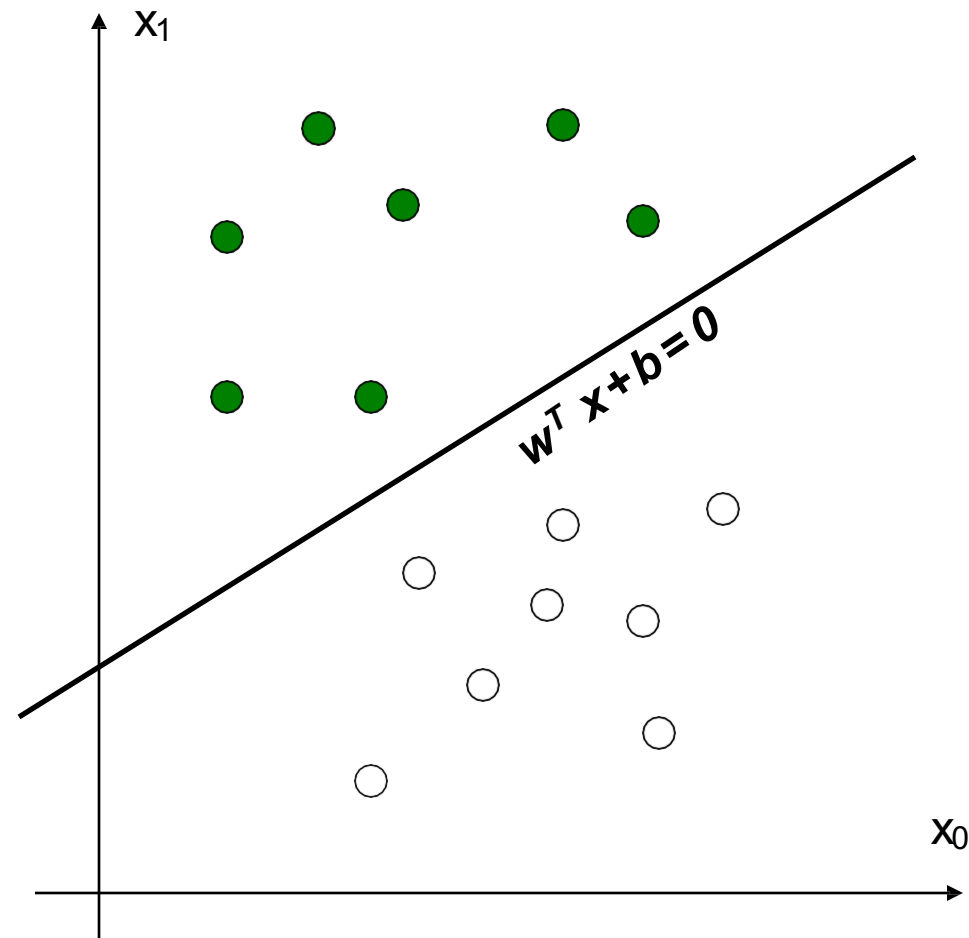
Remember Linear Discriminant Classifiers?



Linear Discriminant Classifier

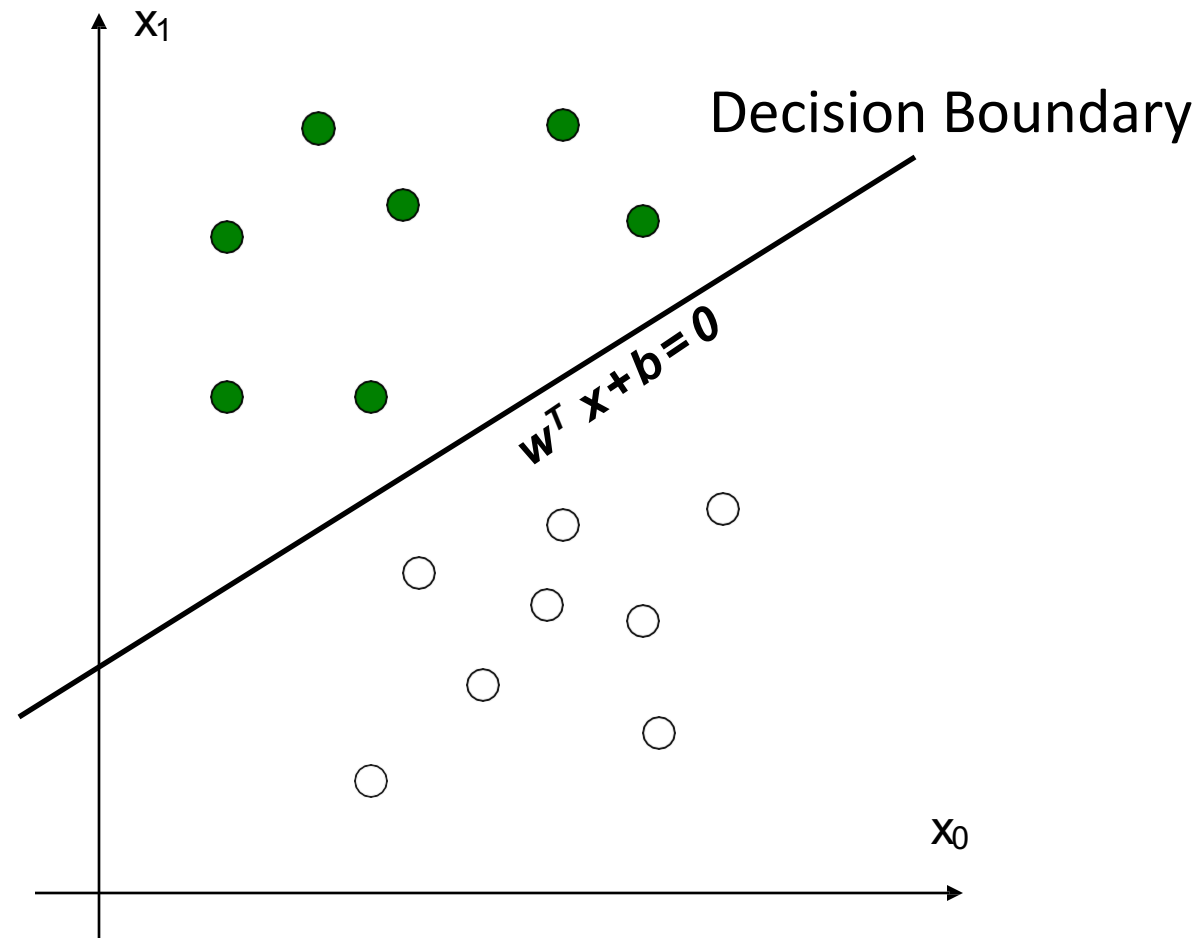
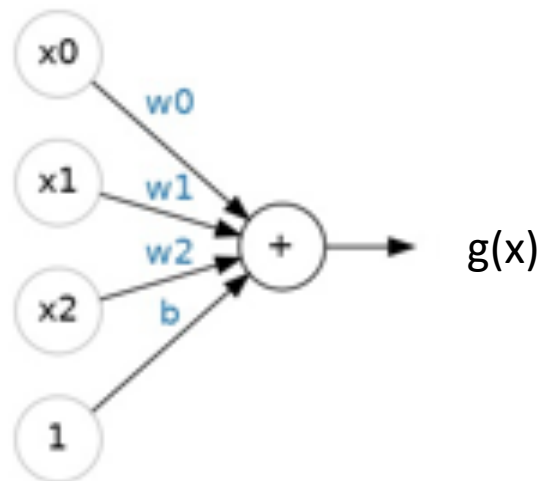
$$\begin{aligned} g(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b = \\ &= \sum_{i \in SV} w_i x_i + b \end{aligned}$$

Decision function = $\text{sign}(x)$

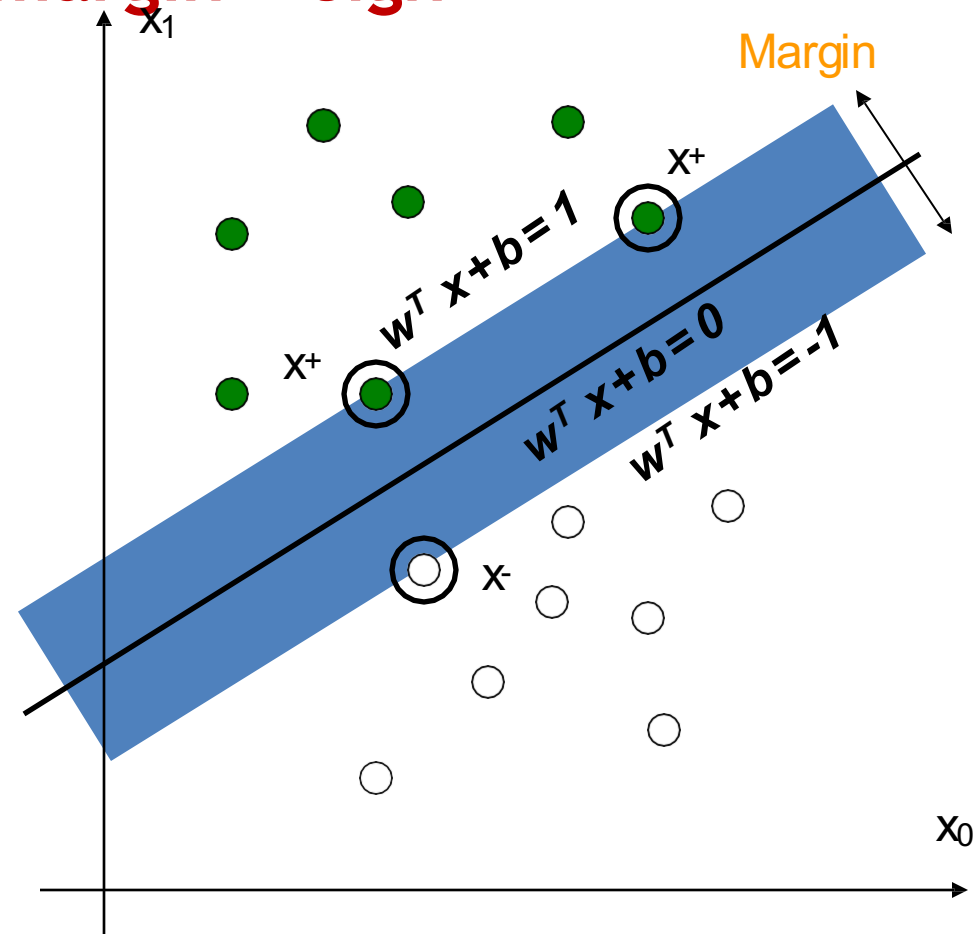
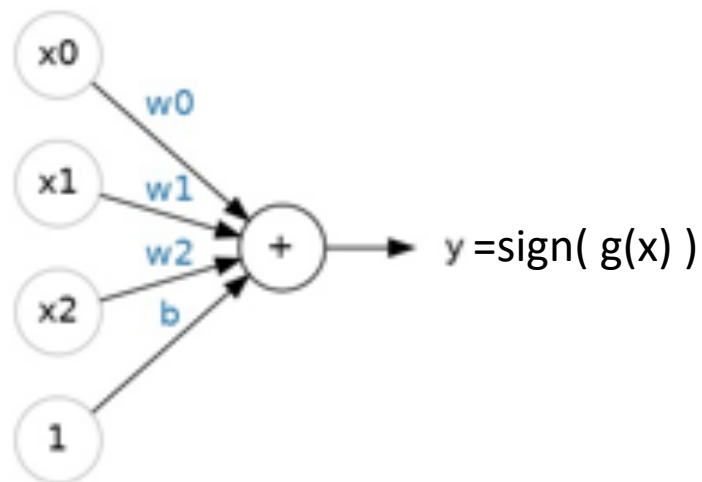


Linear units

A linear unit:



SVM: linear unit with largest margin + sign



Speed vs. optimality

A 1080p digital image (most common screen size) comprises

- 1920 x 1080 pixels (1080 lines of vertical resolution) and
- three color channels (RGB)

A total of more than 6 million variables!

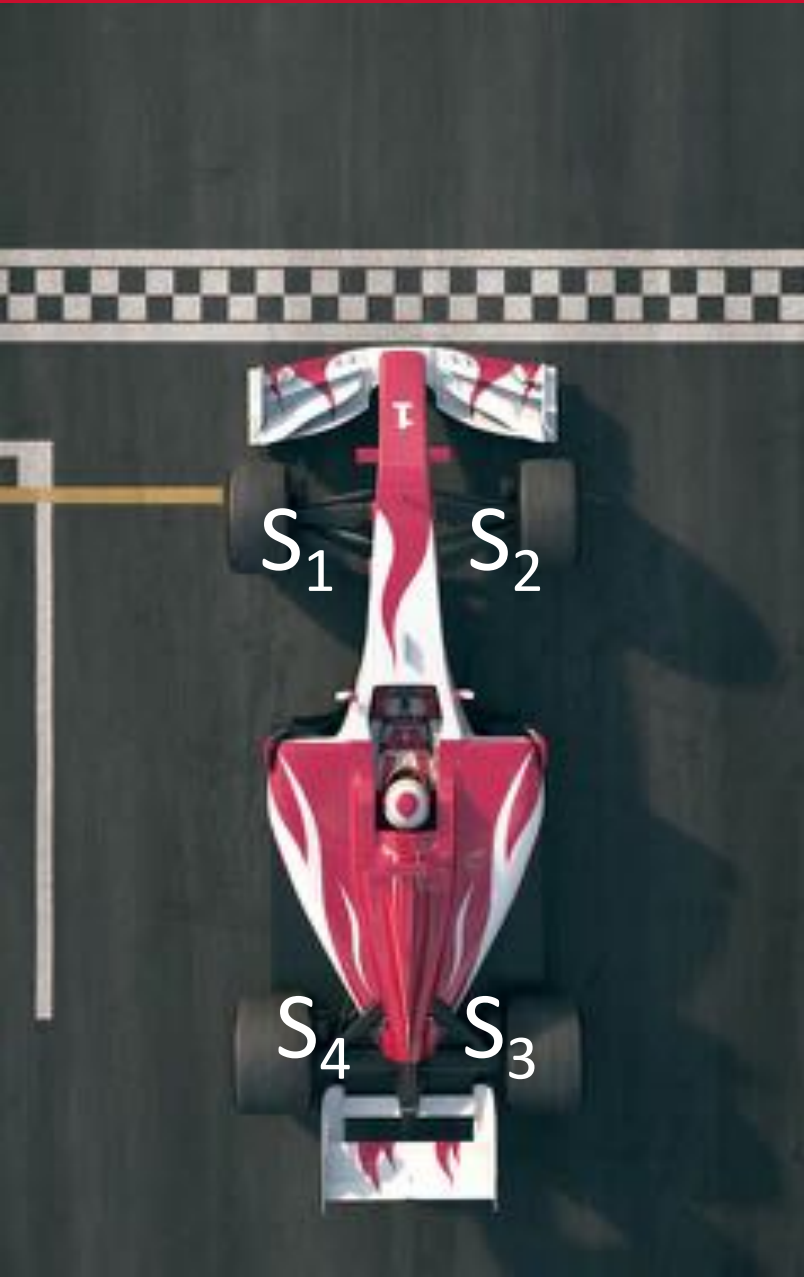
- unlikely the points will line up nicely for linear class separation to work; also,
- computing the optimal margin takes a lot of effort (quadratic programming)

Need feature extraction / dimension reduction

Feature Engineering

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Features: domain knowledge



RAW DATA

Four sensors measuring rotation speed (spin)
at each wheel: S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4

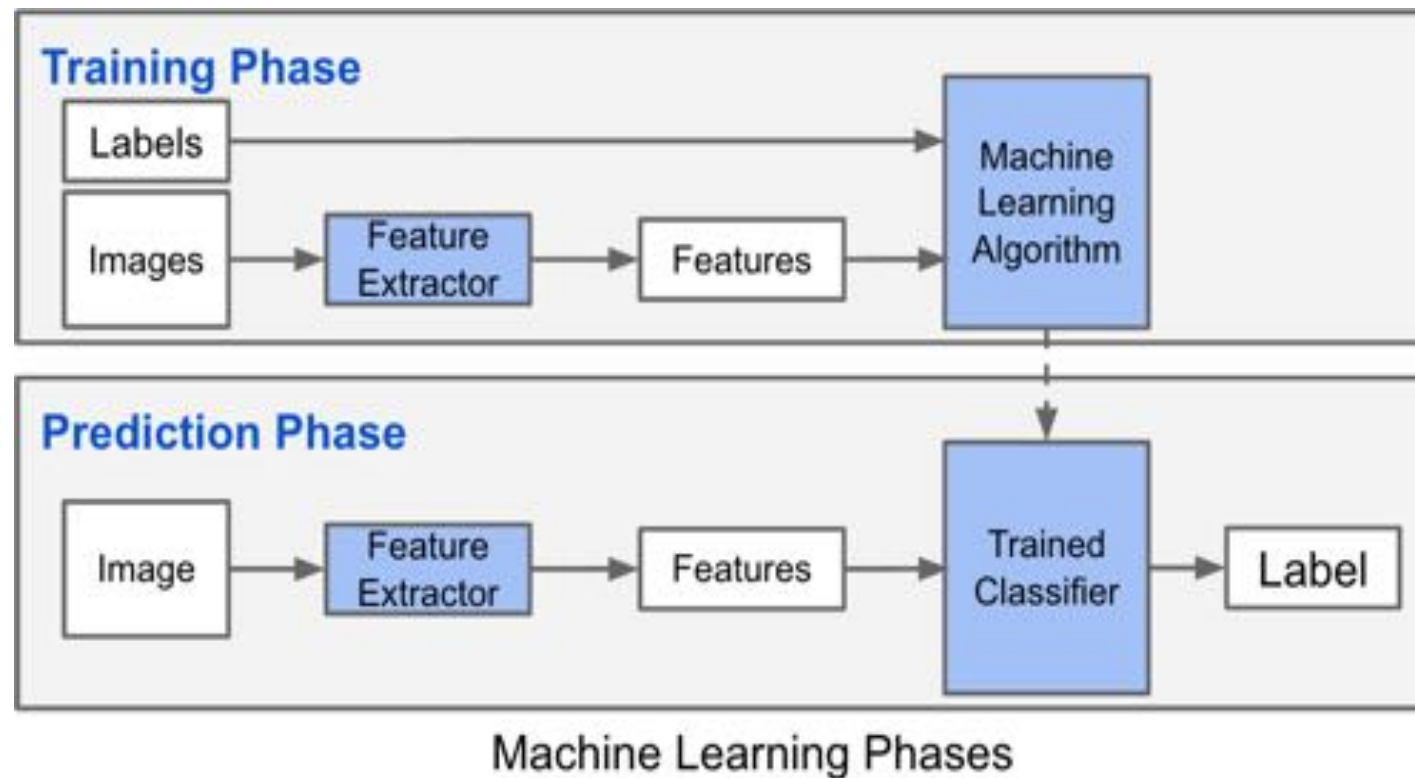
NEW FEATURES

$$T_1 = \left\{ \left(\frac{S_2 + S_3 + S_4}{3} \right) - S_1 \right\} / 2 = -\frac{1}{2} S_1 + \frac{1}{6} S_2 + \frac{1}{6} S_3 + \frac{1}{6} S_4$$

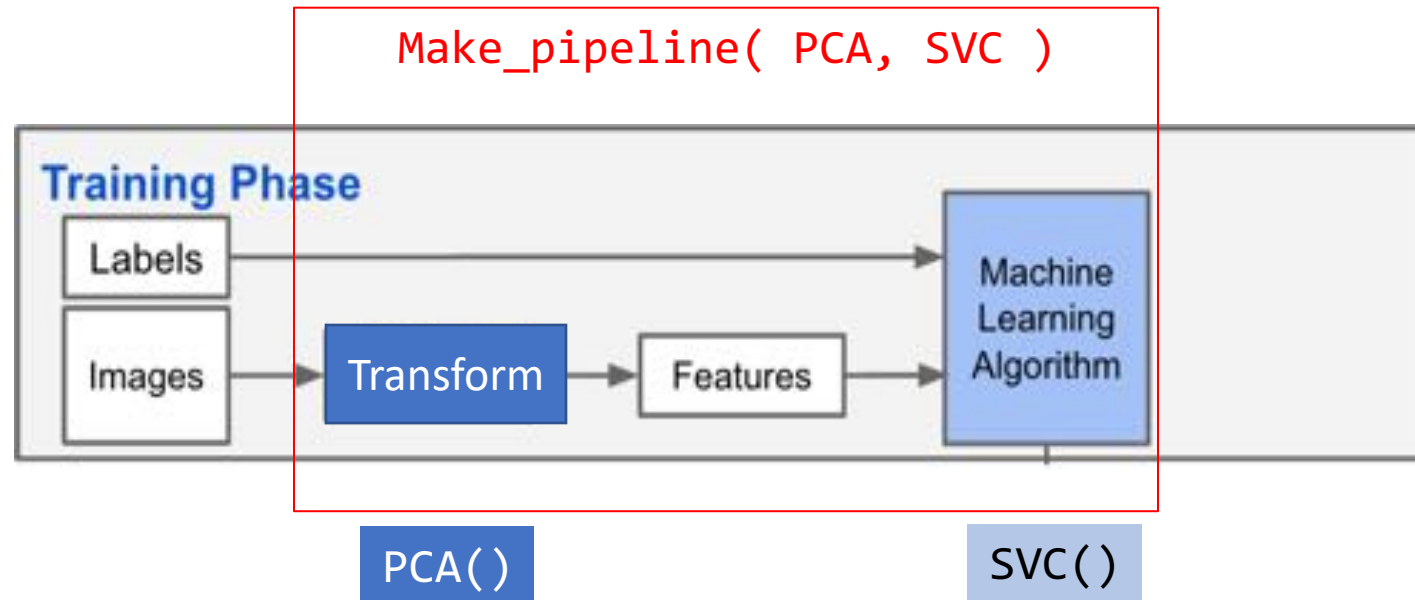
EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

If a feature starts to veer away from zero, then a tire is
spinning faster than the others (possible flat)

Feature extractors help unscramble the features from the raw data, and prioritize features for selection

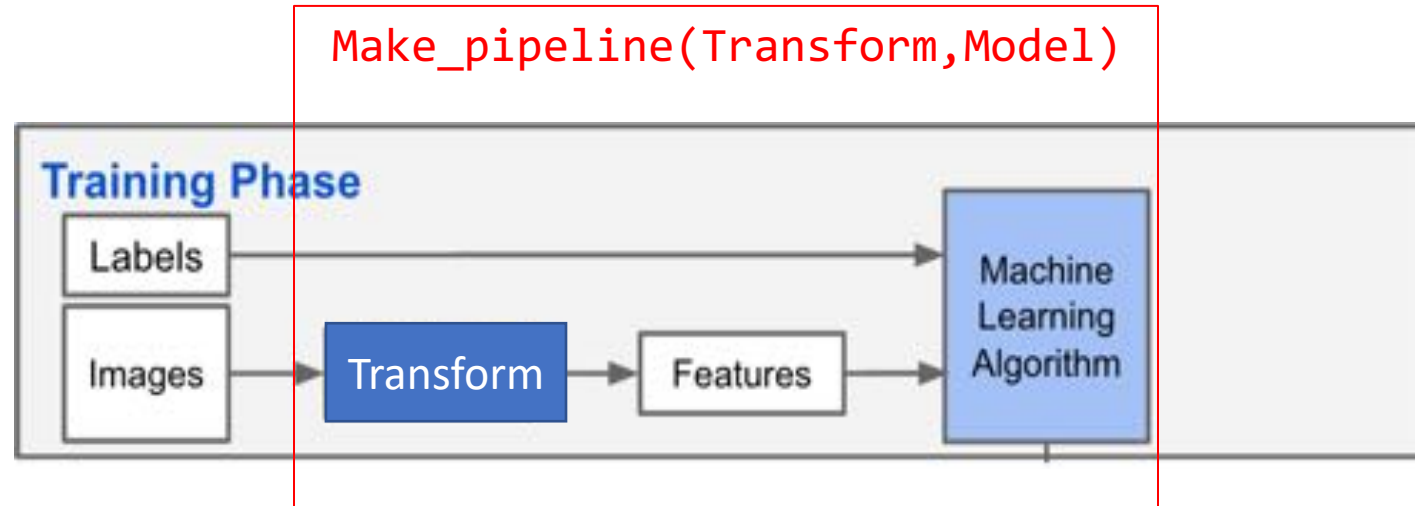


Feature engineering example: PCA



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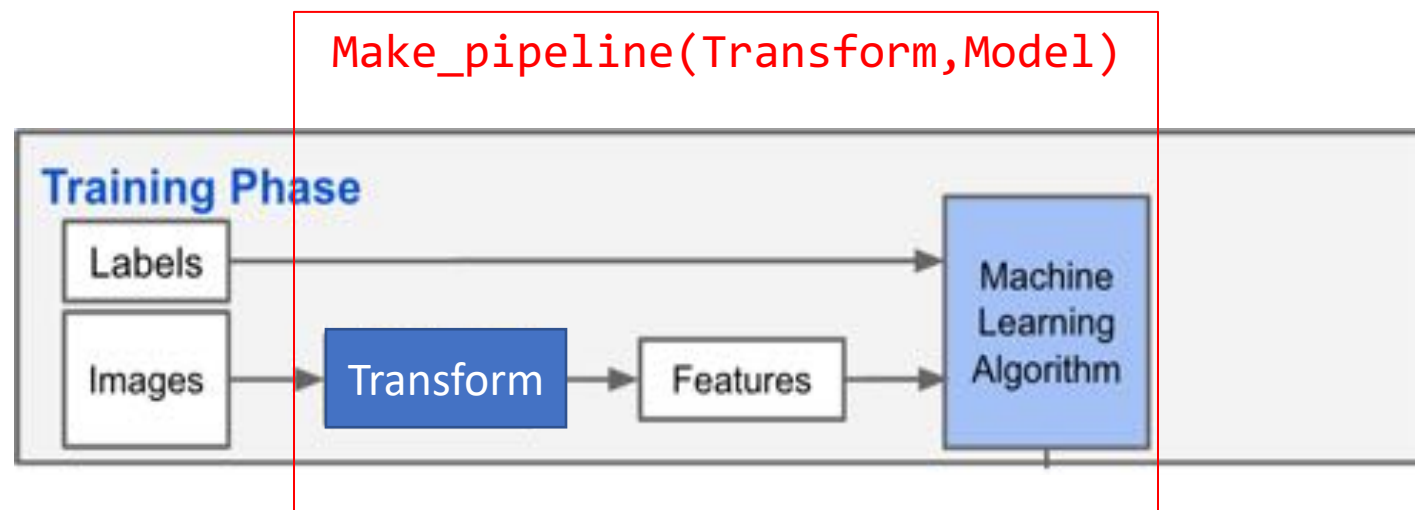
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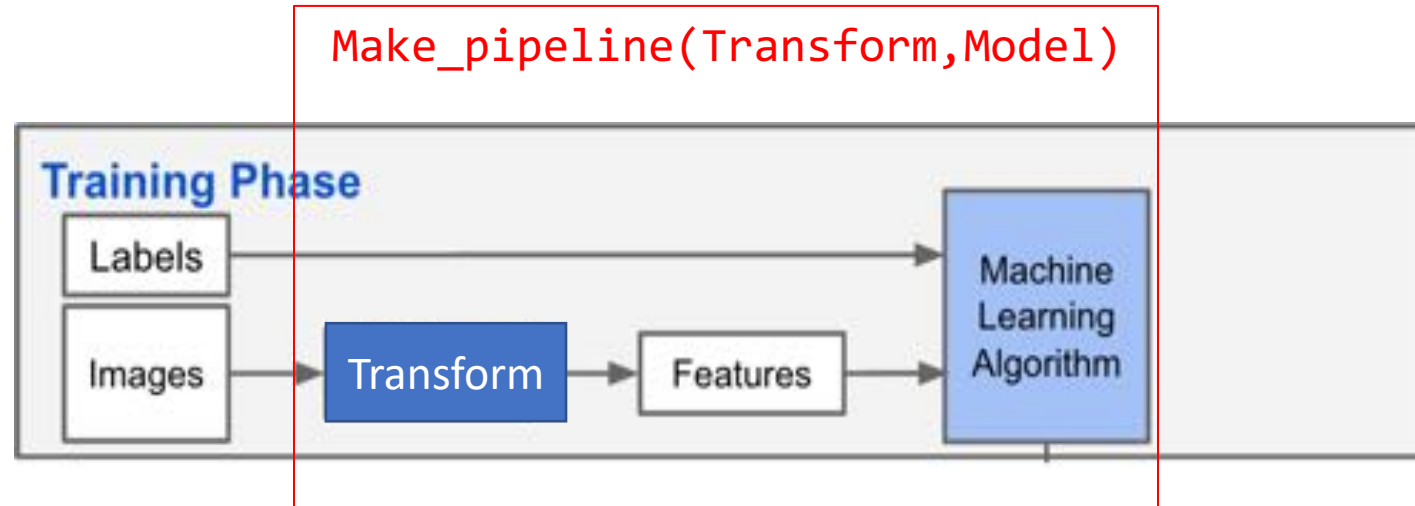


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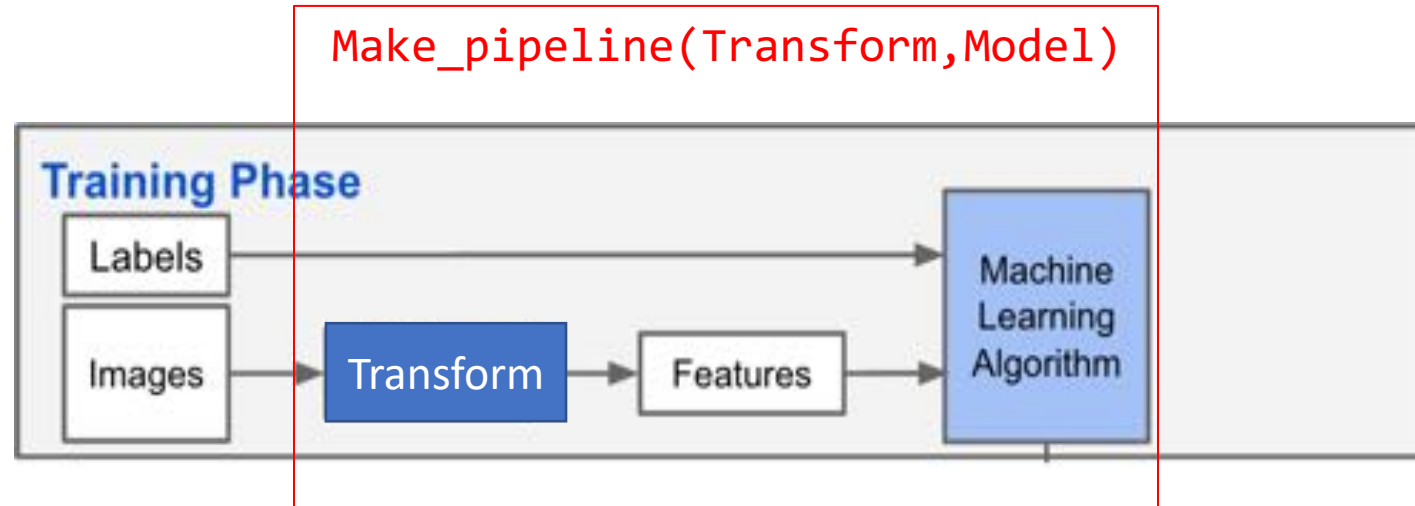


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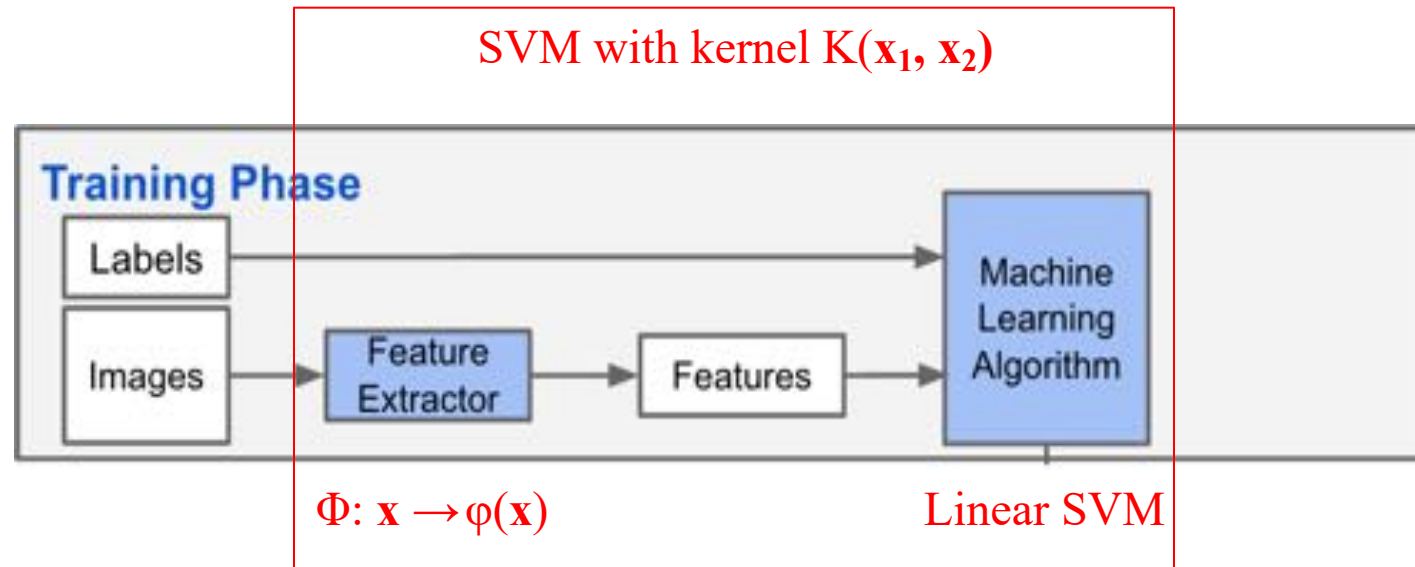


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- Kernel Trick!

The kernel trick masks a data transform



Think of

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SVC( kernel='rbf' )
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as being the same as

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make_pipeline( rbfTransform, SVC )
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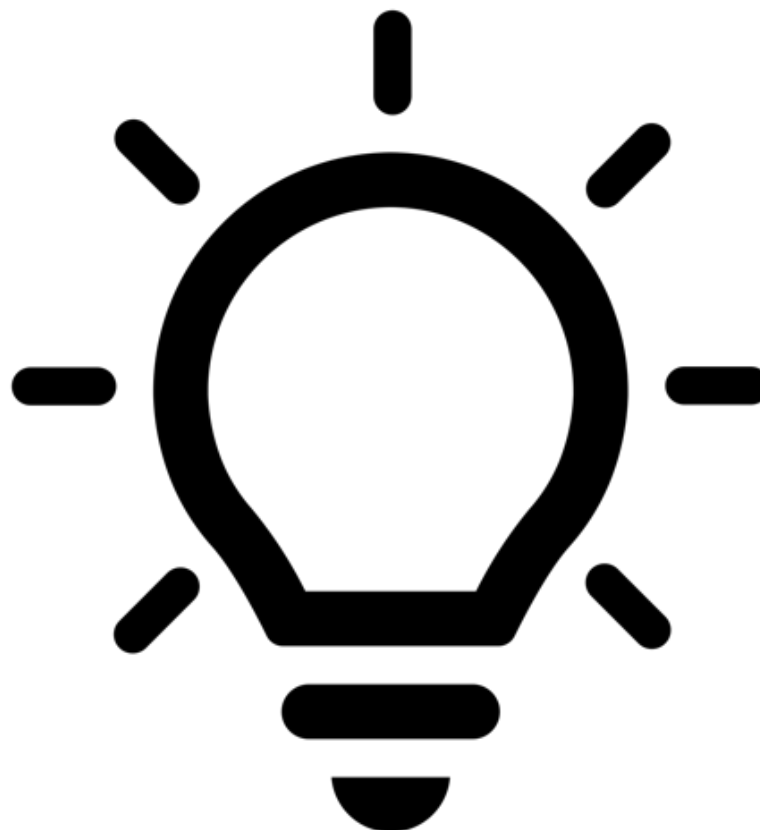
Feature engineering: drawbacks

- Feature engineering is difficult, time-consuming, and requires domain expertise.
- It is in the spirit of symbolic AI, instead of the modern connectionist paradigm

Can we try something different?



First Idea: Ensemble SVC

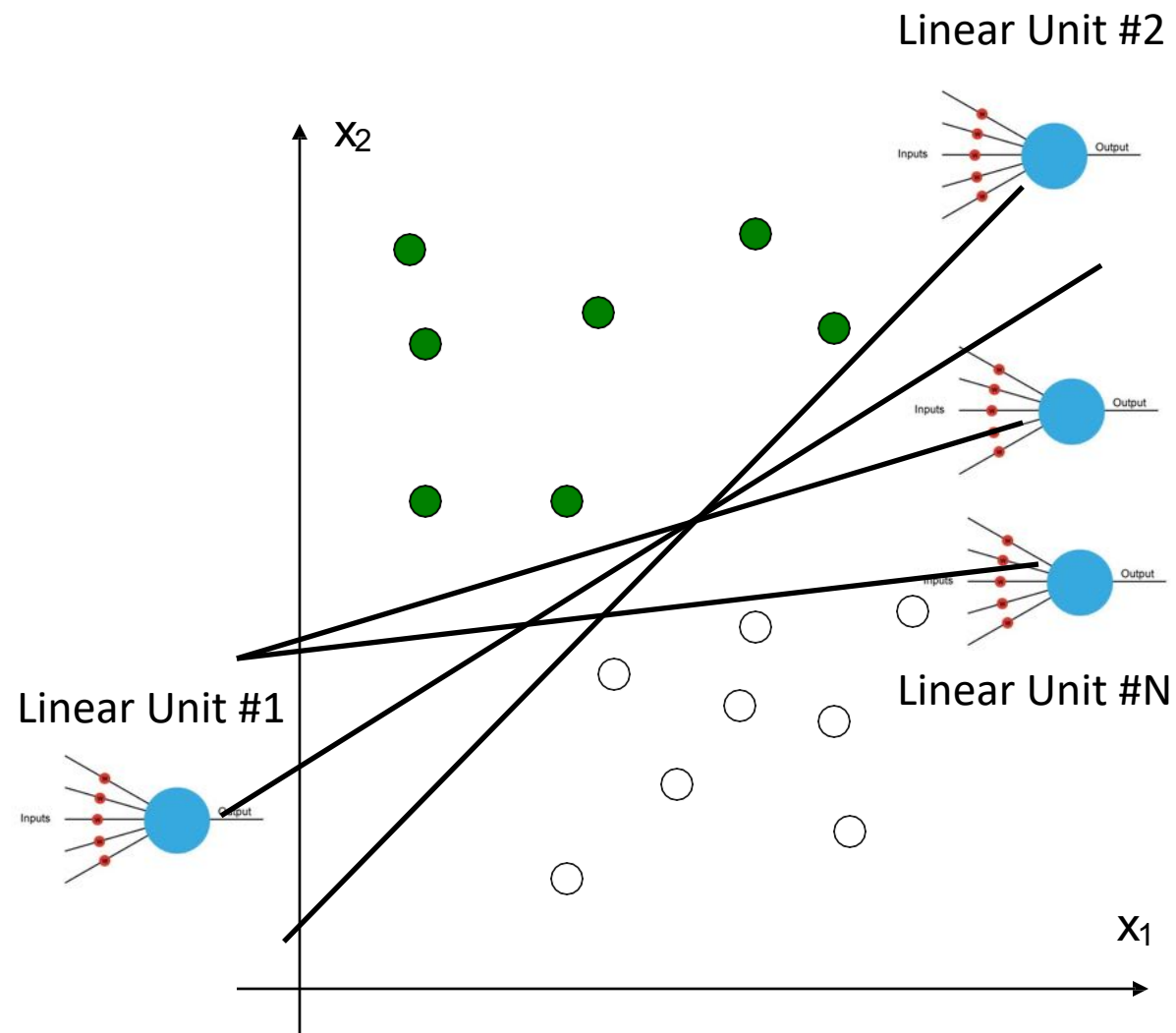


Aggregating activated linear units

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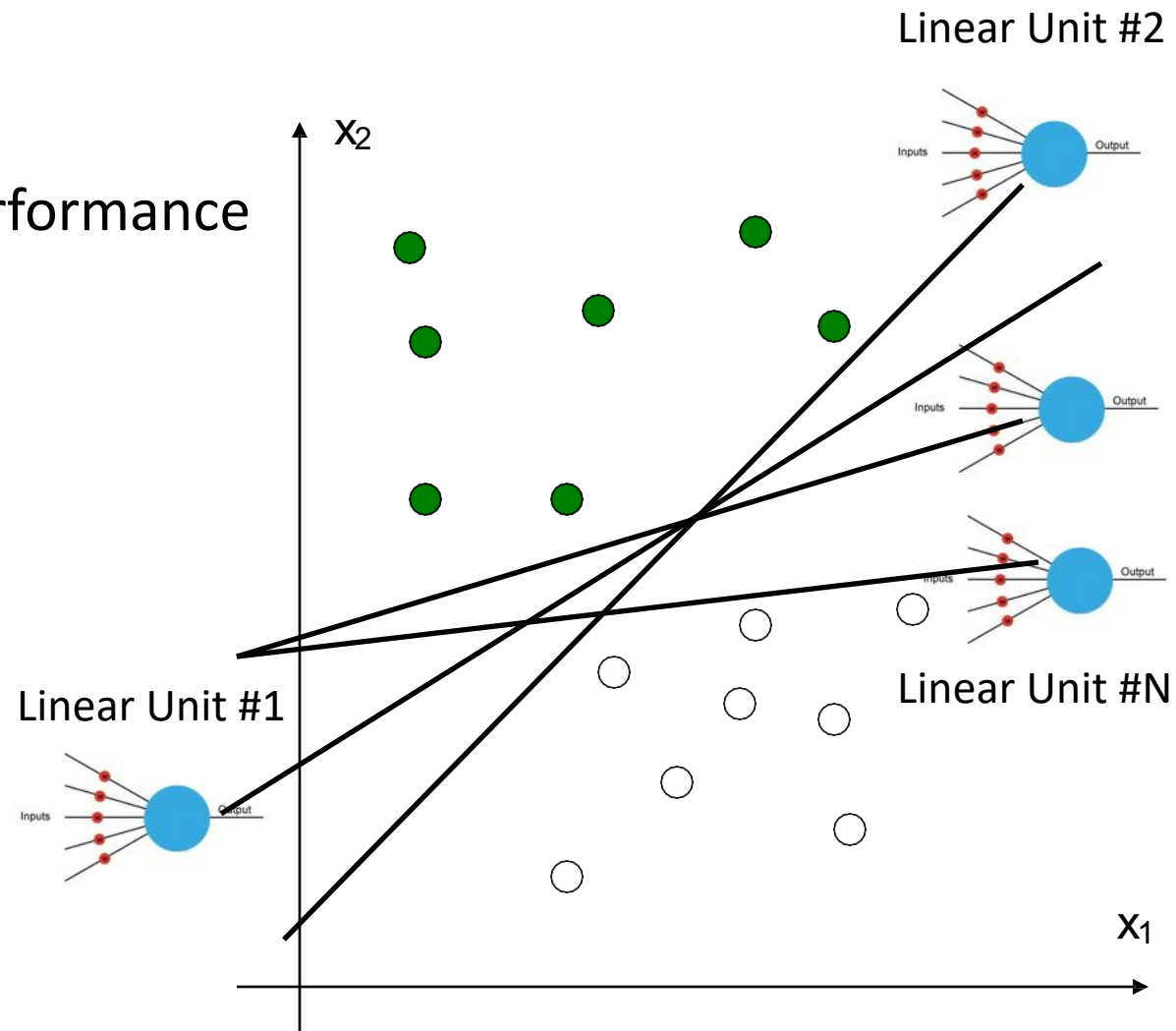
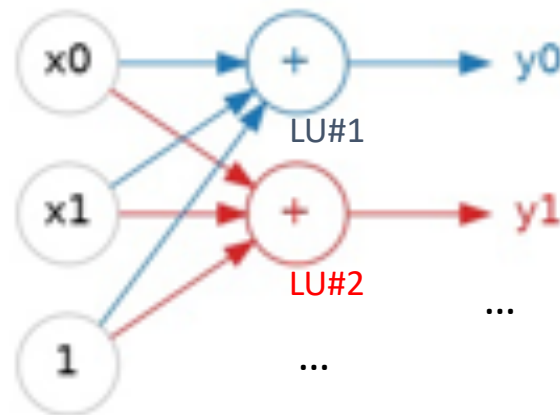
Linear units

- Different hyperplanes correspond to different linear units
- They all classify the training set correctly, but are slightly suboptimal



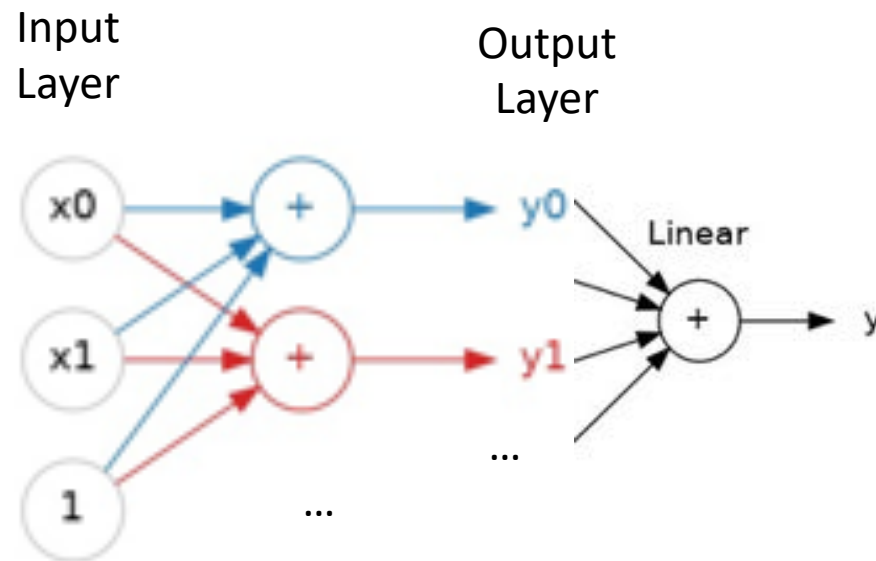
Linear units

Aggregated as a group, their performance can be close to the SVM



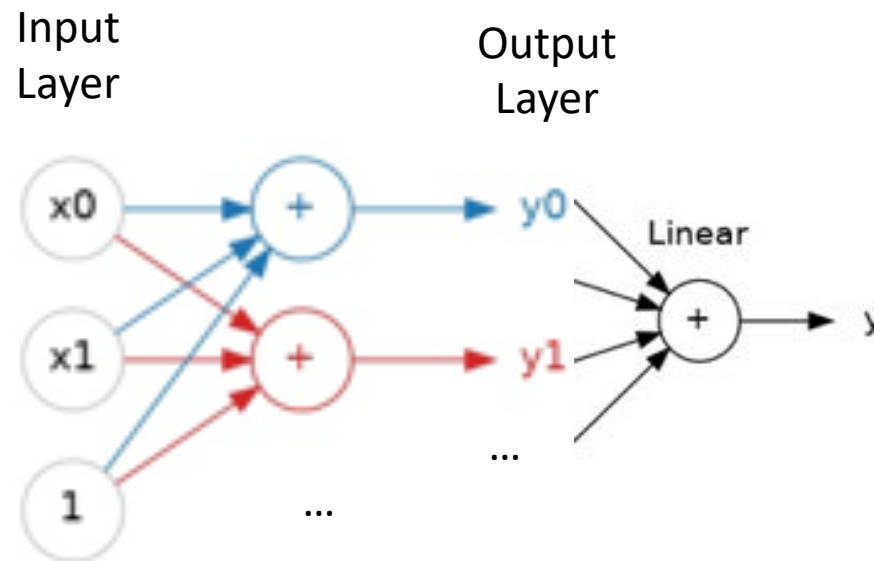
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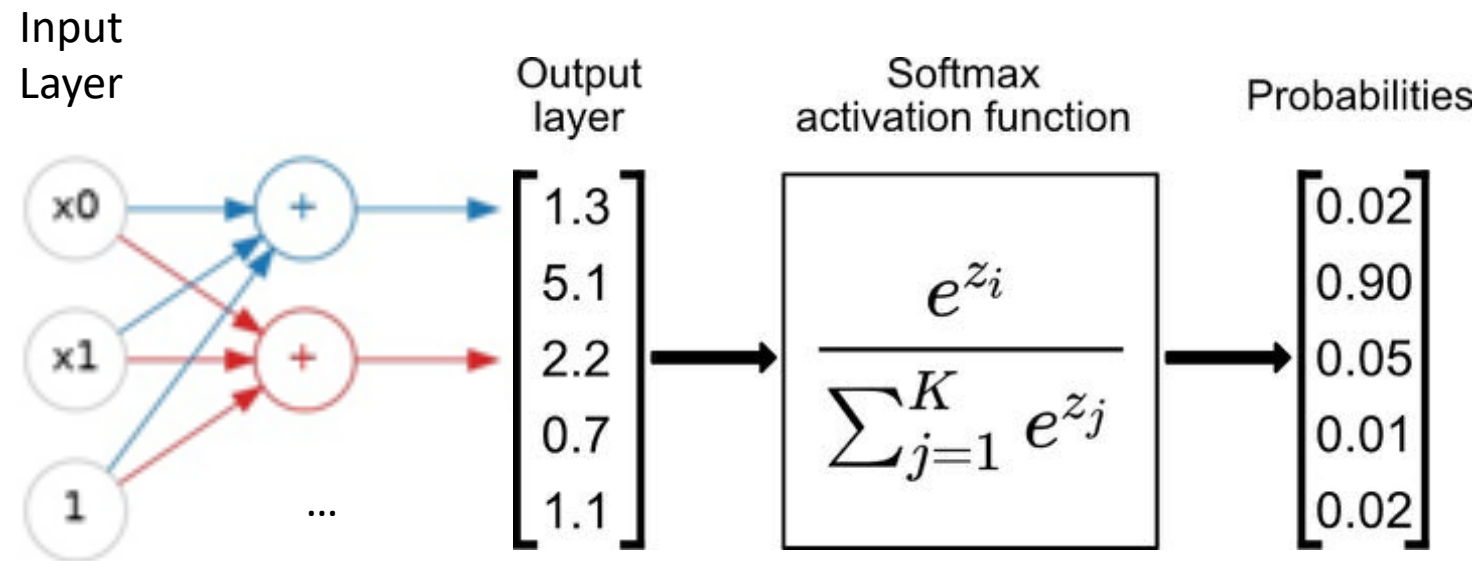
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The final (output) layer is also a linear unit. That makes this network appropriate to a regression task, where we are trying to predict some arbitrary numeric value.

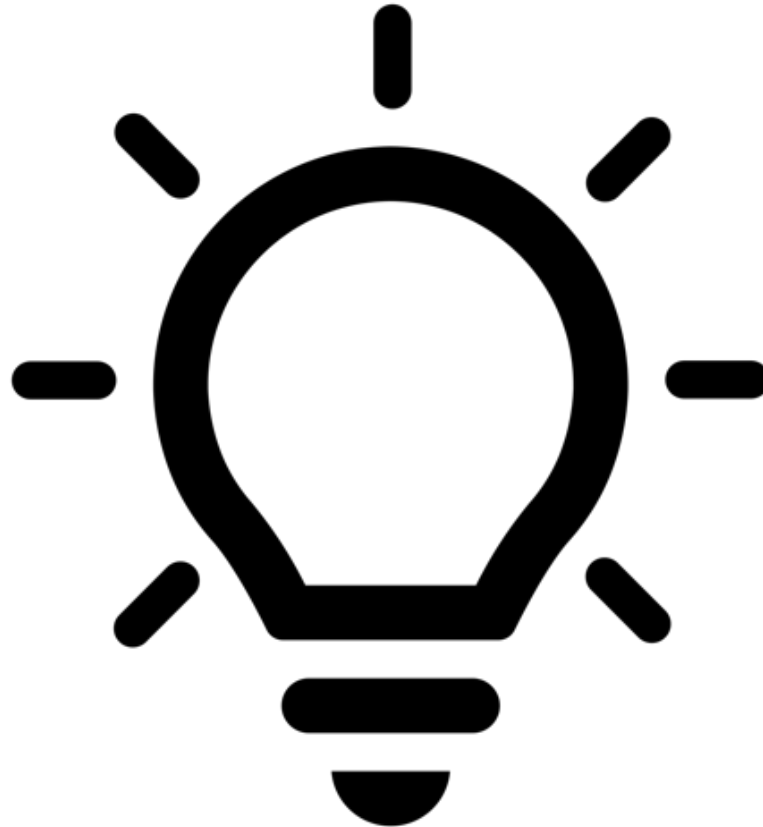
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Decision function: Other tasks might require a different decision function on the output

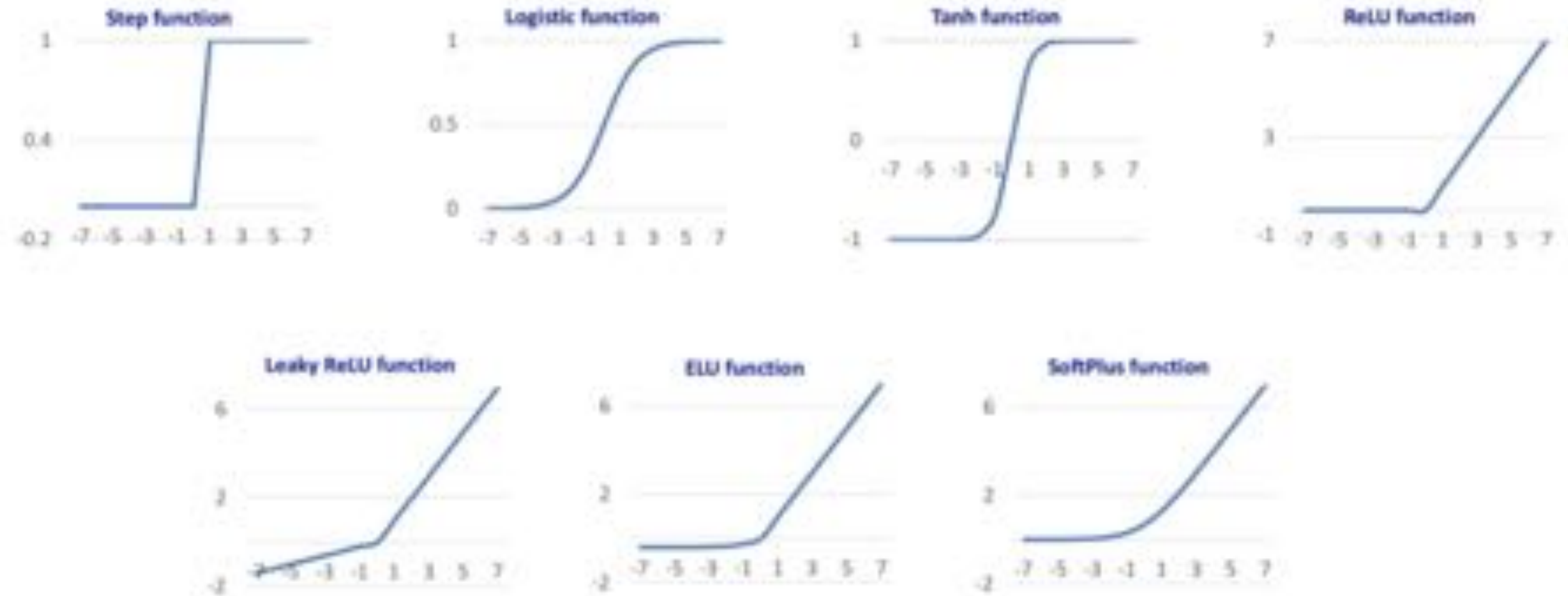


SoftMax is the most common for classification

Second Idea: sign, logit, ... ?



Many choices for the activation function

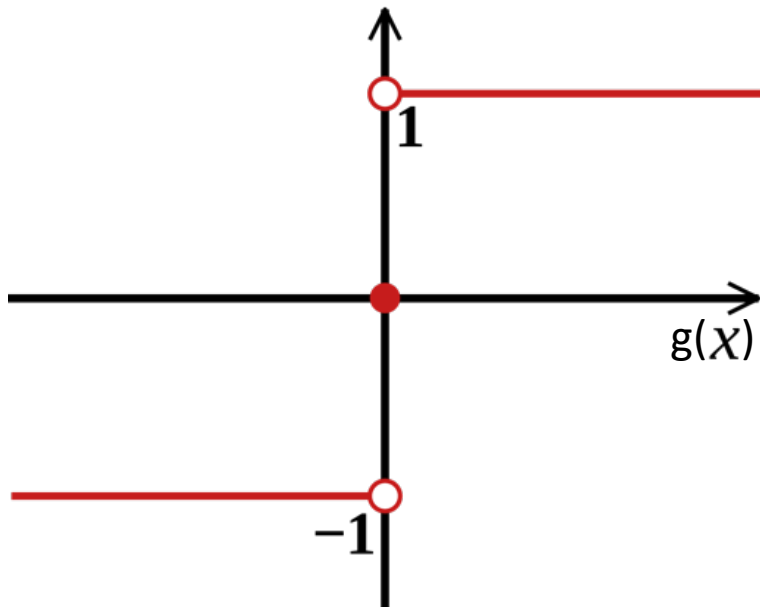


Logistic Regression: activate using the logistic function



$$\text{Probability}(y) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} = \frac{e^x}{e^x + 1}$$

SVC: activate using the sign function

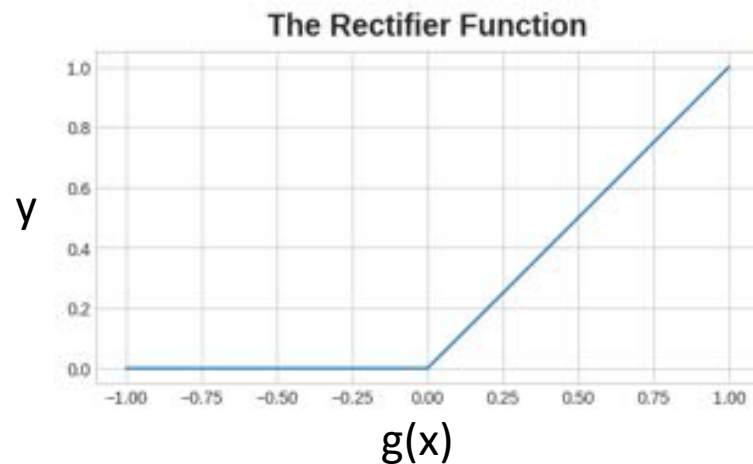


The output is $\text{sign}(g(x))$

decision = +1 if $g(x) > 0$

decision = -1 if $g(x) < 0$

New: activate using the rectifier function

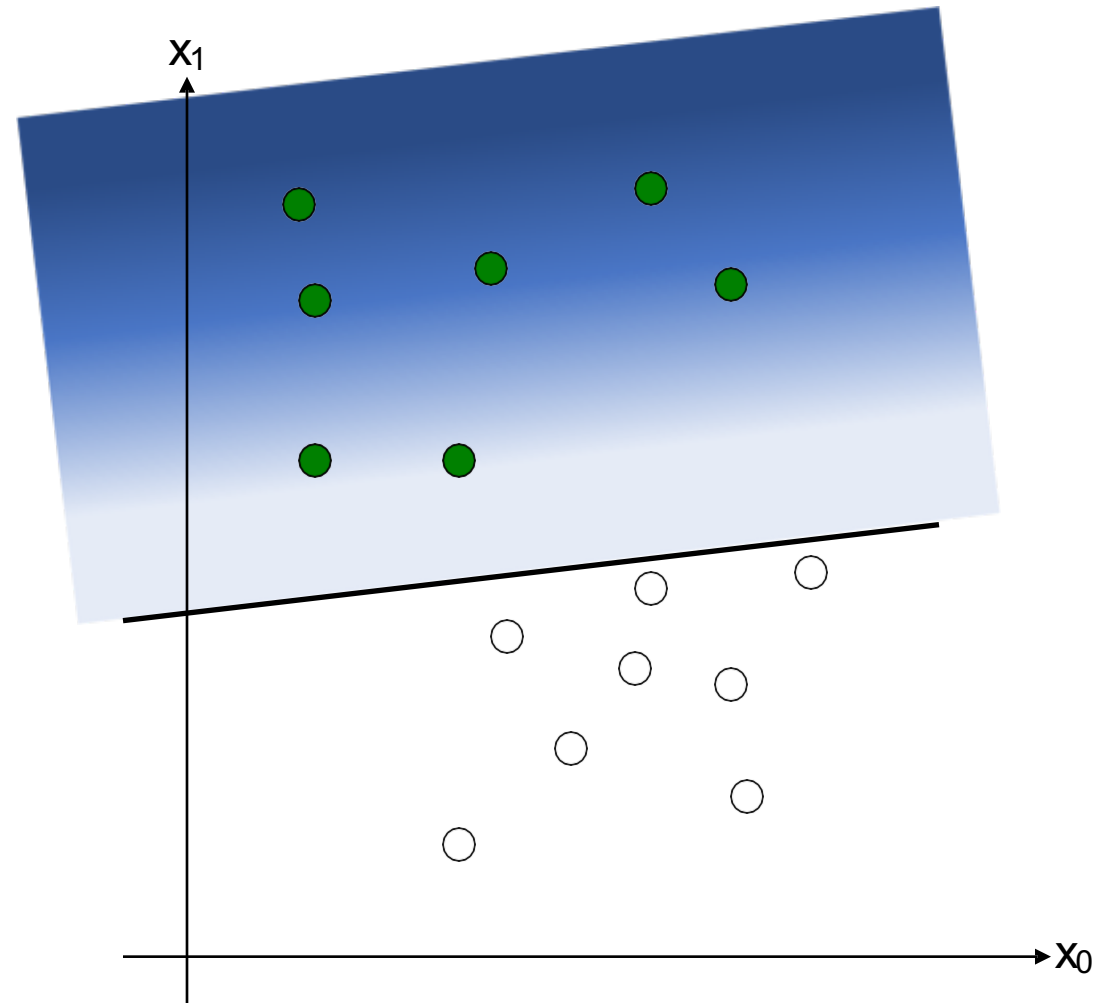
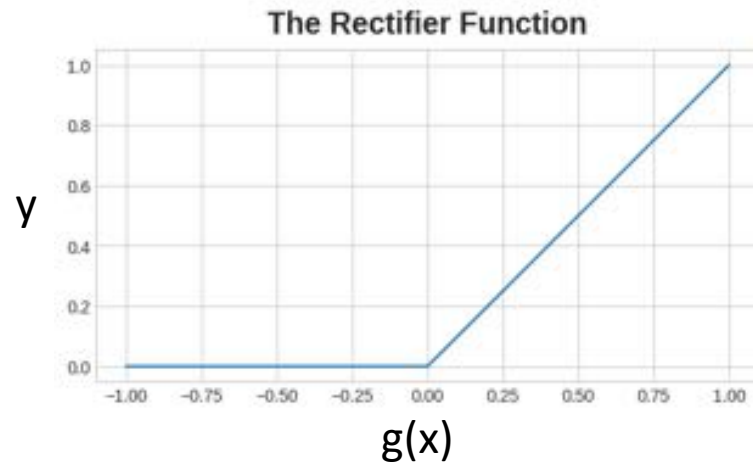


Instead of strict binary $\text{sign}(g(x))$,
the output is $\max(0, g(x))$

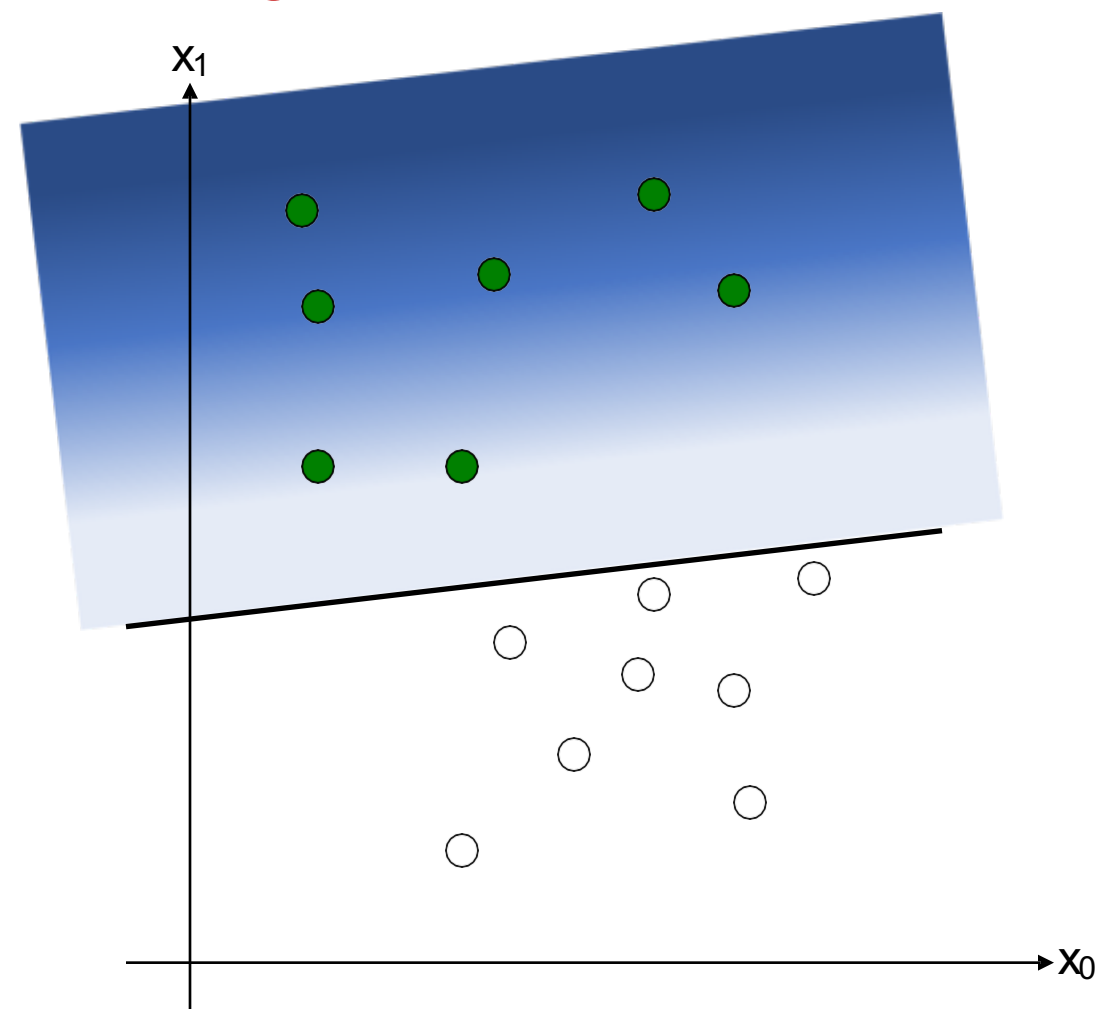
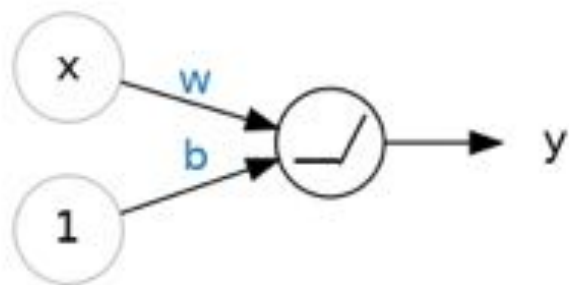
$$y = g(x) \text{ if } g(x) > 0$$

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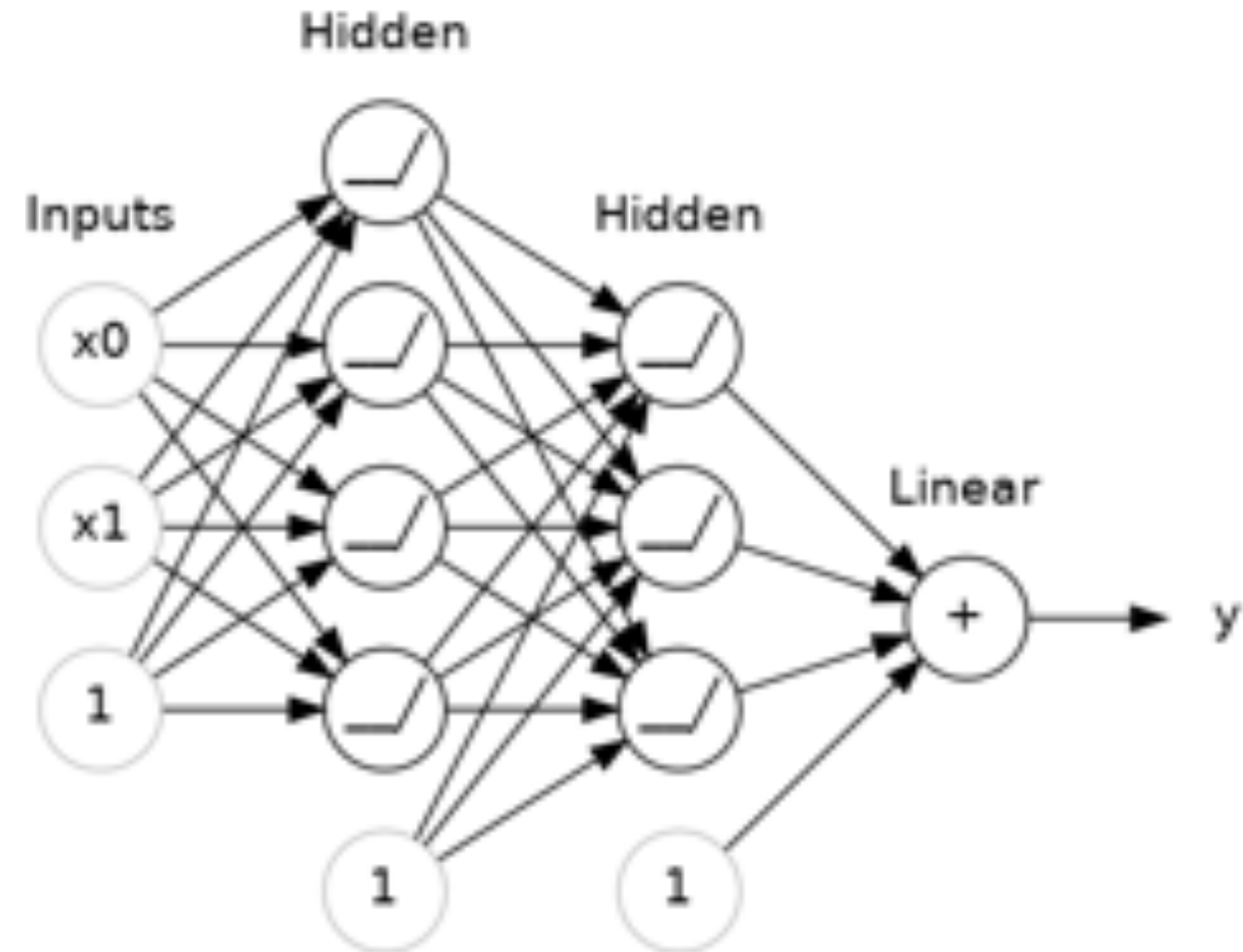


ReLU: a Linear Unit activated using the rectifier function



Putting it all together: Multi-Layer Perceptron

A fully-connected, feed-forward ReLU neural network with two hidden layers



Next time: Neural Nets

Supervised classification using deep learning models

<https://playground.tensorflow.org/>