

# Logistics: Project

- Project presentation
  - Dec 6/8 during lectures
  - Everyone is expected to attend both lectures
  - 10 minutes for presentation + 1~2 minutes for QA and transition
- Project reports
  - Due: Dec 9 (no late submissions)
  - Up to 6 pages (plus additional pages for only references/citations)
  - No strict format requirements
    - You are encouraged to use standard templates
- Check Piazza posts for details/updates

# Assignment 4

- No class on Nov 22, Tuesday (happy thanksgiving!)
- Instead, I'll give a list of talks/tutorials relevant to this course.
  - Choose one of them, watch the content, and write a report
  - The report needs to be no less than 2 pages, with any reasonable format
  - The report will serve as your assignment 4
- Check the list of talks on Piazza

# Peer Review

- Please submit the peer review by 6pm

# Lecture 21

## Interpretable/Intelligible Machine Learning

Instructor: Chien-Ju (CJ) Ho

# Who Need Explanations and Why?

- Developers:
  - Debug the machine learning models and improve robustness
- Users:
  - More likely to trust the models and act based on the predictions
- Government:
  - By law, many consequential decisions (medical, financial, etc) need to be explainable
- Society:
  - Help uncover the biases hidden underneath the predictions

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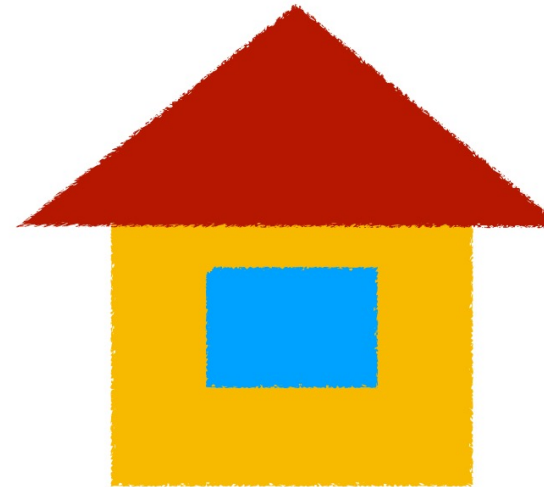
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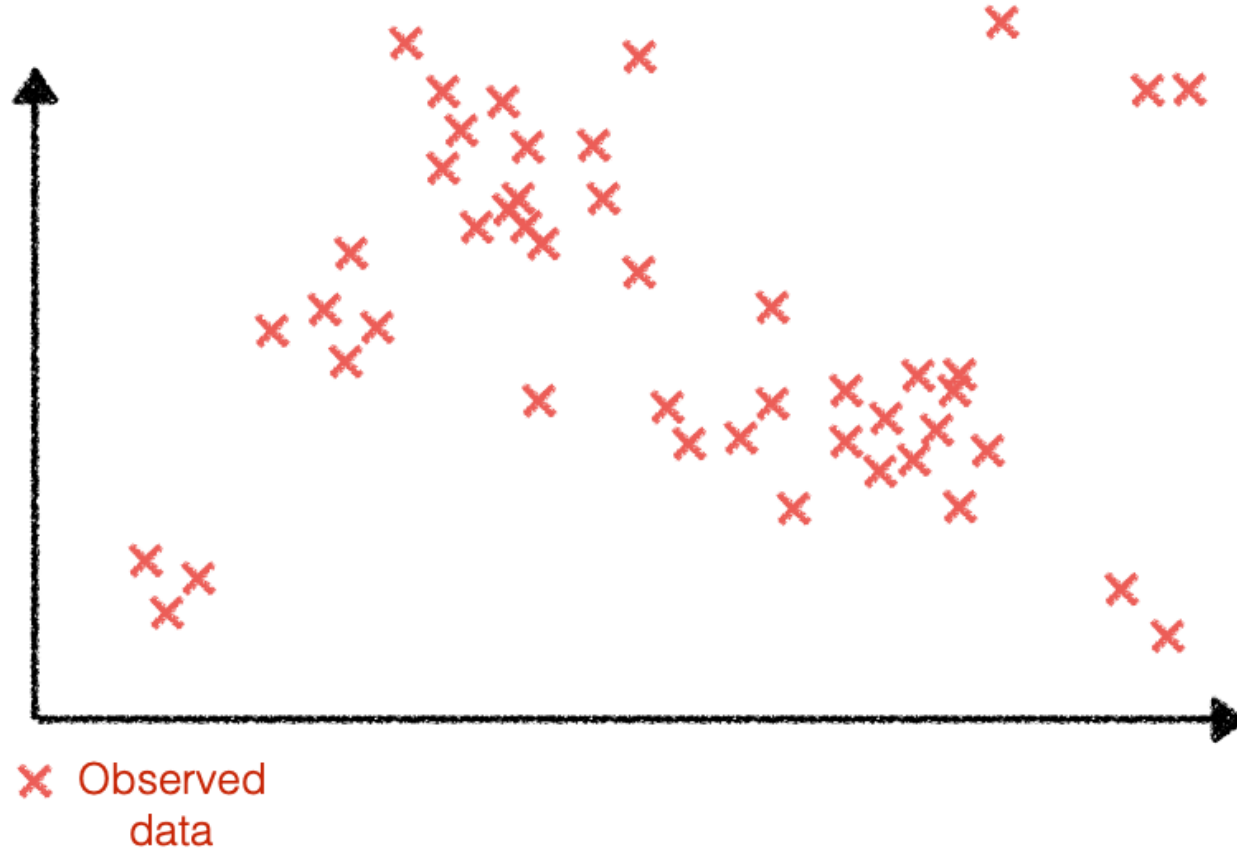
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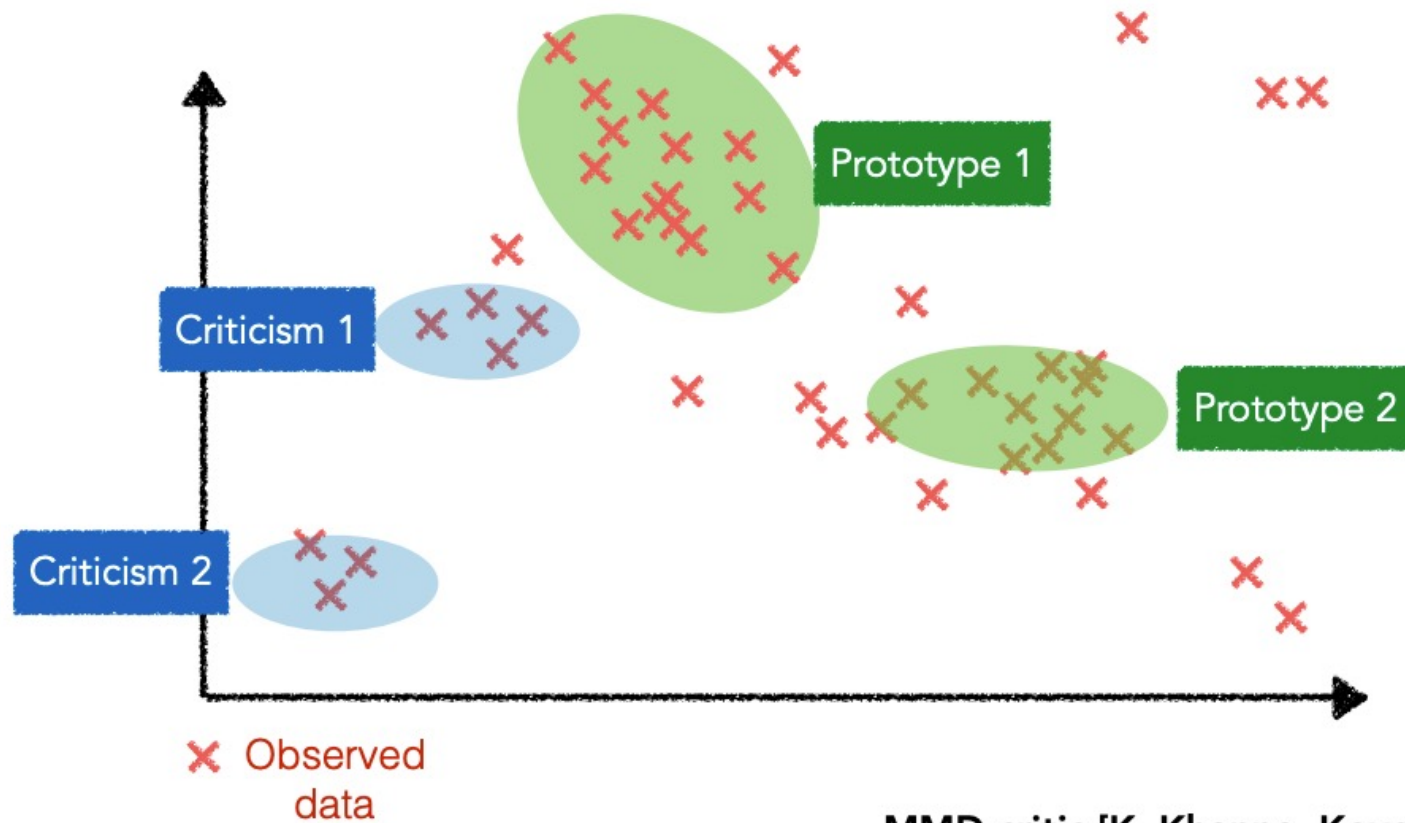
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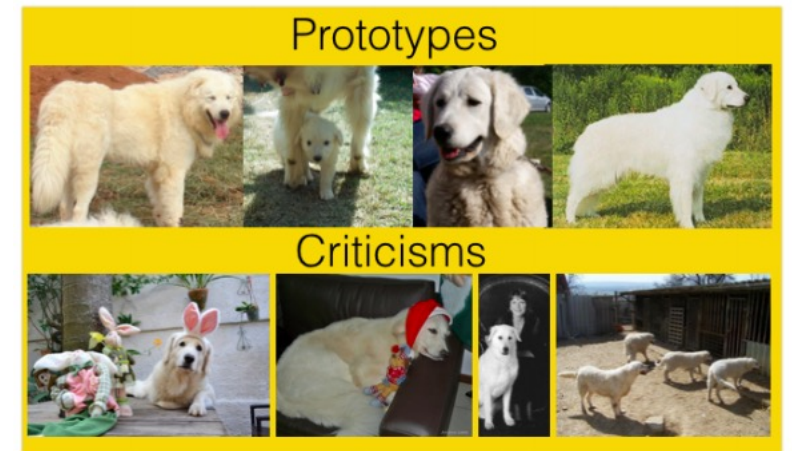


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MMD-critic [K. Khanna, Koyejo '16]



# Before Building a Model

- Datasheets for datasets [Geburu et al. 2018]

## Datasheet for 🦉 (QuAC)

### 1 Motivation for Datasheet Creation

#### Why was the dataset created?

We collected 🦉 to facilitate designing and evaluating models for information-seeking dialog, a sequential QA task that involves resolving coreferences, dealing with unanswerable questions, and leveraging world knowledge.

#### Has the dataset been used already?

All papers reporting on 🦉 are required to submit their results to <http://quac.ai>.

#### Who funded the dataset?

🦉 was co-funded by the Allen Institute of Artificial Intelligence and the DARPA CwC program through ARO (W911NF-15-1-0543).

### 2 Dataset Composition

#### What are the instances?

The core problem involves predicting a text span

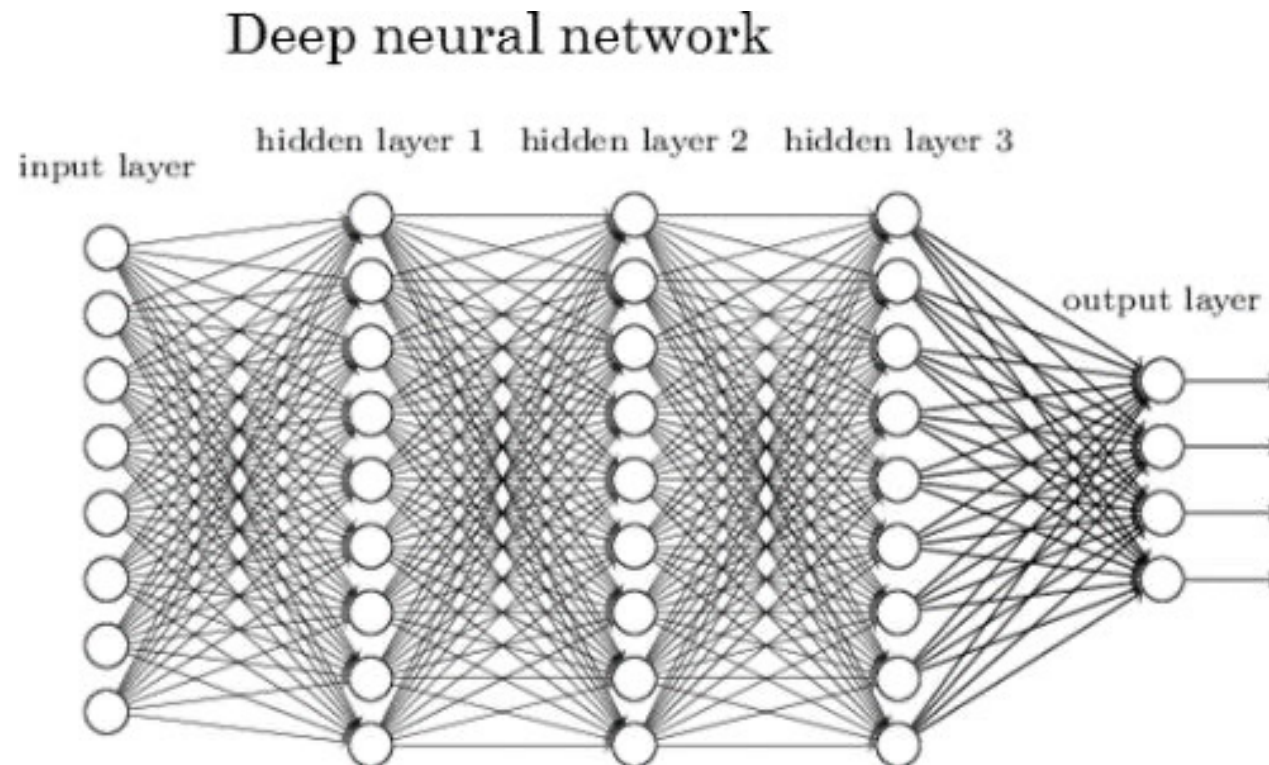
#### Are there recommended data splits or evaluation measures?

The release comes with a train/dev split such that there is no overlap in sections across splits. Furthermore, the dev and test sets only include one dialog per section, in contrast to the training set which can have multiple dialogs per section. Dev and test instances come with five reference answers instead of just one as in the training set; we obtain the extra references to improve the reliability of our evaluations, as questions can have multiple valid answer spans. The test set is not publicly available; instead, researchers must submit their models to the 🦉 leaderboard at <http://quac.ai>, which will run the model on our hidden test set.

We provide an official evaluation script for 🦉 used by our leaderboard for test set evaluation. The script computes two metrics: word-level F1 and human equivalence (HEQ). If a particular in-

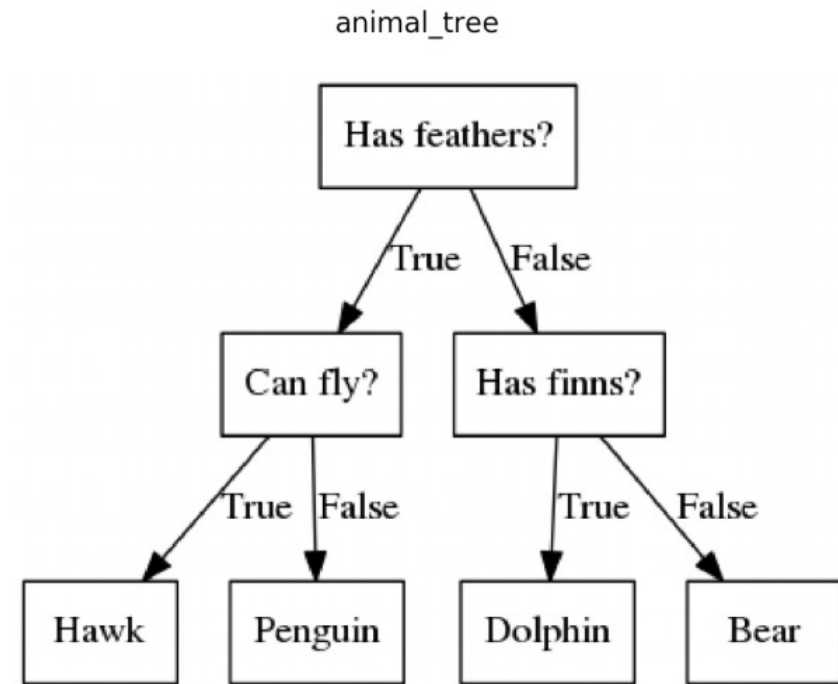
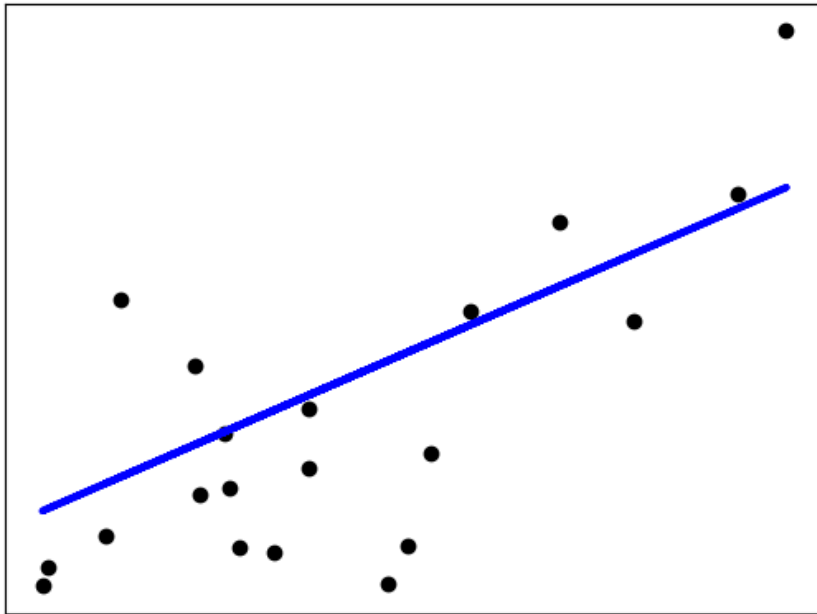
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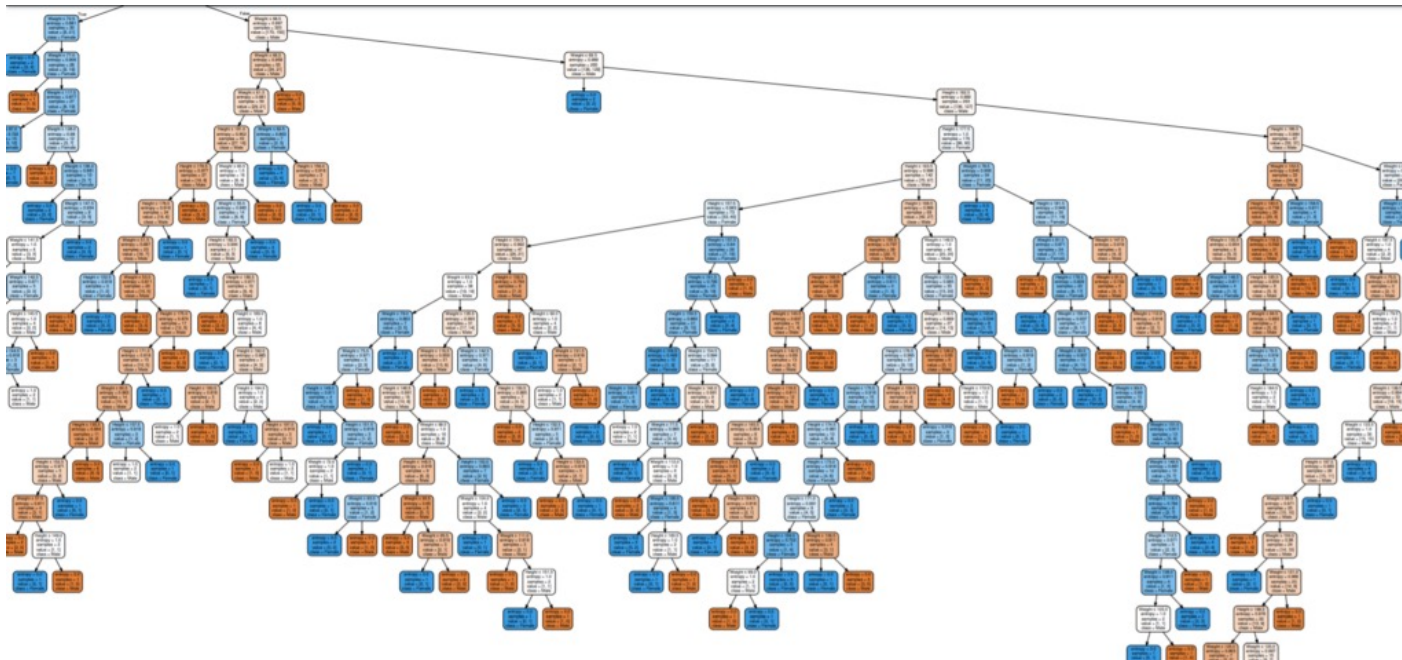
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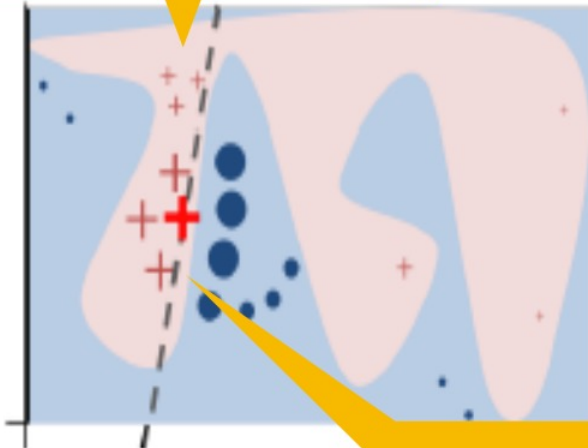
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- Classical white-box approaches: linear models, decision trees,...
- The difference is not always clear



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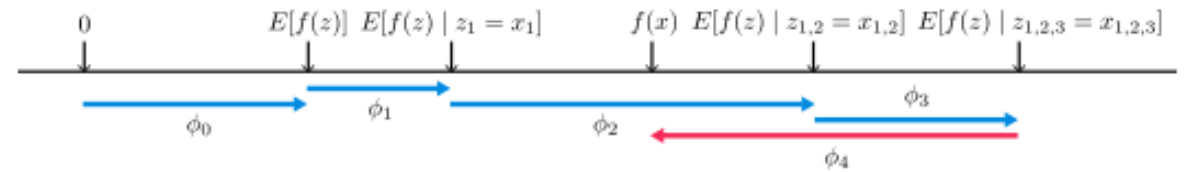
- LIME [Ribeiro et al. 2016]

Want local explanation  
of the **+** data point



Locally fitted  
linear function

- SHAP [Lundberg and Lee. 2017]



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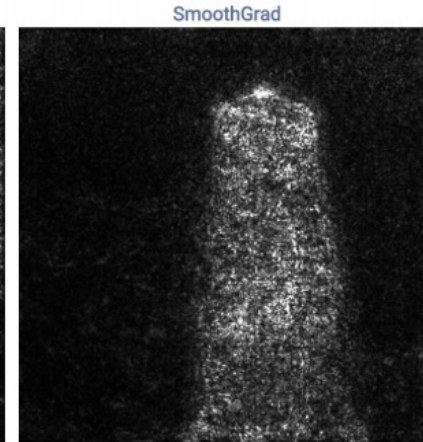
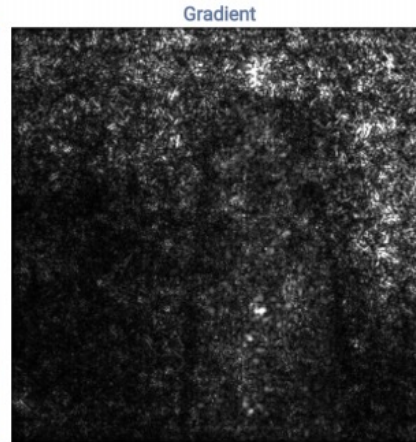
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  - Understand how changing the feature impacts the predictions
  - Take the gradient  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_{i,j}}$



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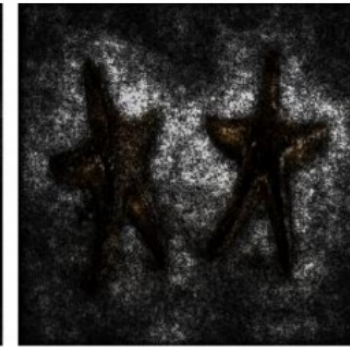
**SmoothGrad [Smilkov et al. 17]**



**Integrated gradients [Sundararajan et al. 17]**

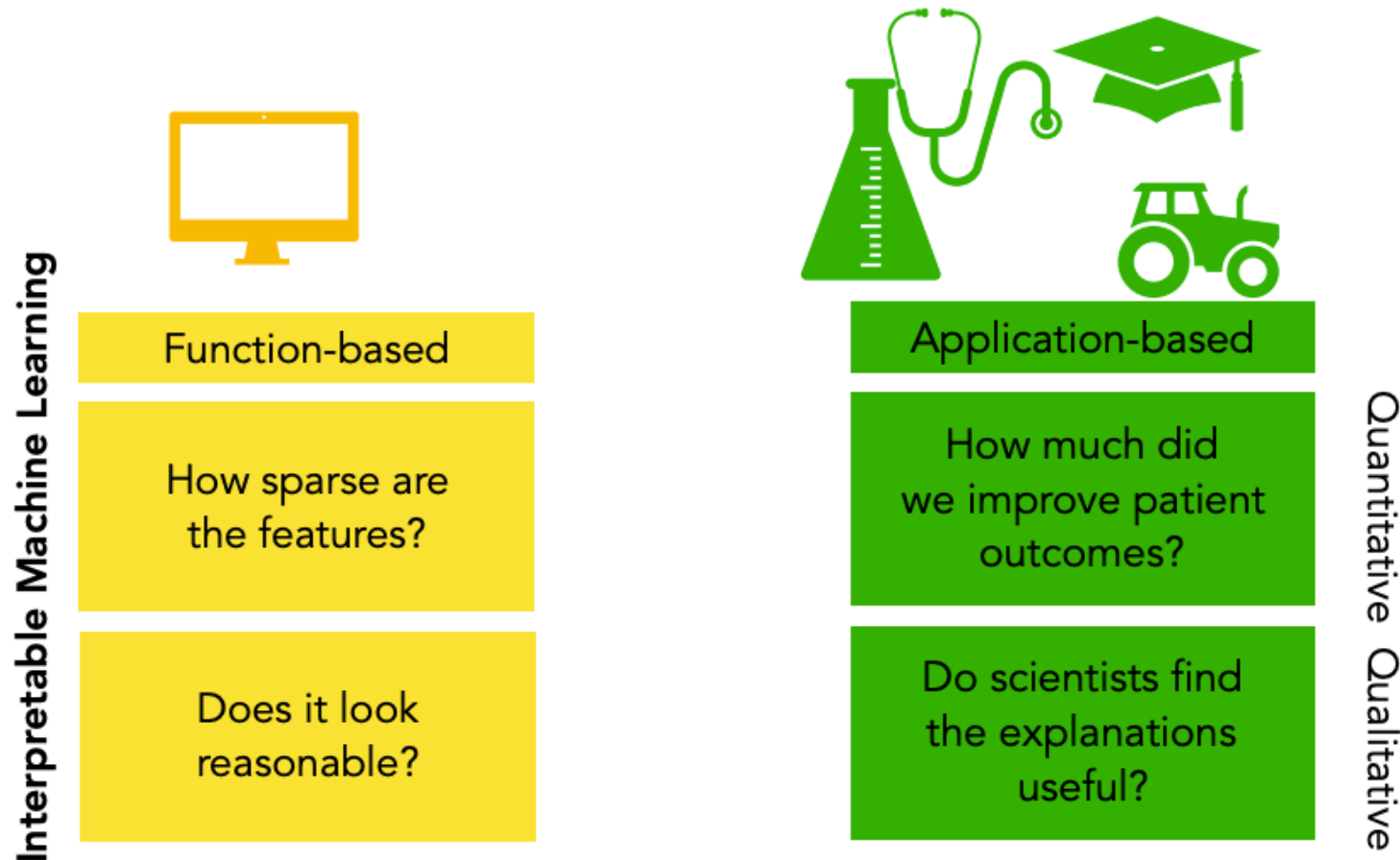


Top label: starfish  
Score: 0.999992



# Who Decides Whether Explanations Make Sense?

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- Humans make the call (Which humans?)
- Humans' mental models of AI
  - We have talked about **modeling** human behavior in this course
  - Maybe we want to **model** how human models AI's behavior
- We'll talk a little bit about these in the lecture next lecture

# Concerns of Interpretability?

- Being interpretable
  - => humans understand how AI operate
  - => humans might want to alter the data to align with their needs
  - => "Gaming", or manipulation issue

