

# Introduction to Classification

Stat 220

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# Classification

Predicting what category a (future) observation falls into

# Binary Classification

We focus on the setting of binary classification where only two classes are involved (e.g., a diagnosis of either healthy or diseased)

# Netflix example

Just today, Netflix emailed subscribers notifying them of a price increase for more great entertainment

Will customers cancel their accounts?

# Netflix example

Possible predictor variables (a.k.a. features, attributes, inputs, independent variables)

- job status
- age of account
- age
- payment method
- location
- content ratings
- viewing habits/history
- platforms used (e.g. smartphone, Smart TV, ipad, etc.)
- competition
- `#CancelNetflix` movement
- ...and more...

# More classification examples

- **Astronomy:** Whether an exoplanet is habitable (or not)
- **Filtering:** Identify spam emails
- **Medicine:** Use lab results to determine who has a disease (or not)
- **Product preference:** make product recommendations based on past purchases
- **Social services:** Identify which Child Welfare calls to screen in for further investigation
- **Recidivism:** Predict which defendants or paroles will commit another violent crime.

# Let's talk about forest fires

It would be nice to predict where the next forest fire will occur

- Dataset contains a culmination of forest fire observations
- Based on two regions of Algeria: the Bejaia region and the Sidi Bel-Abbes region.
- Timeline is from June 2012 to September 2012

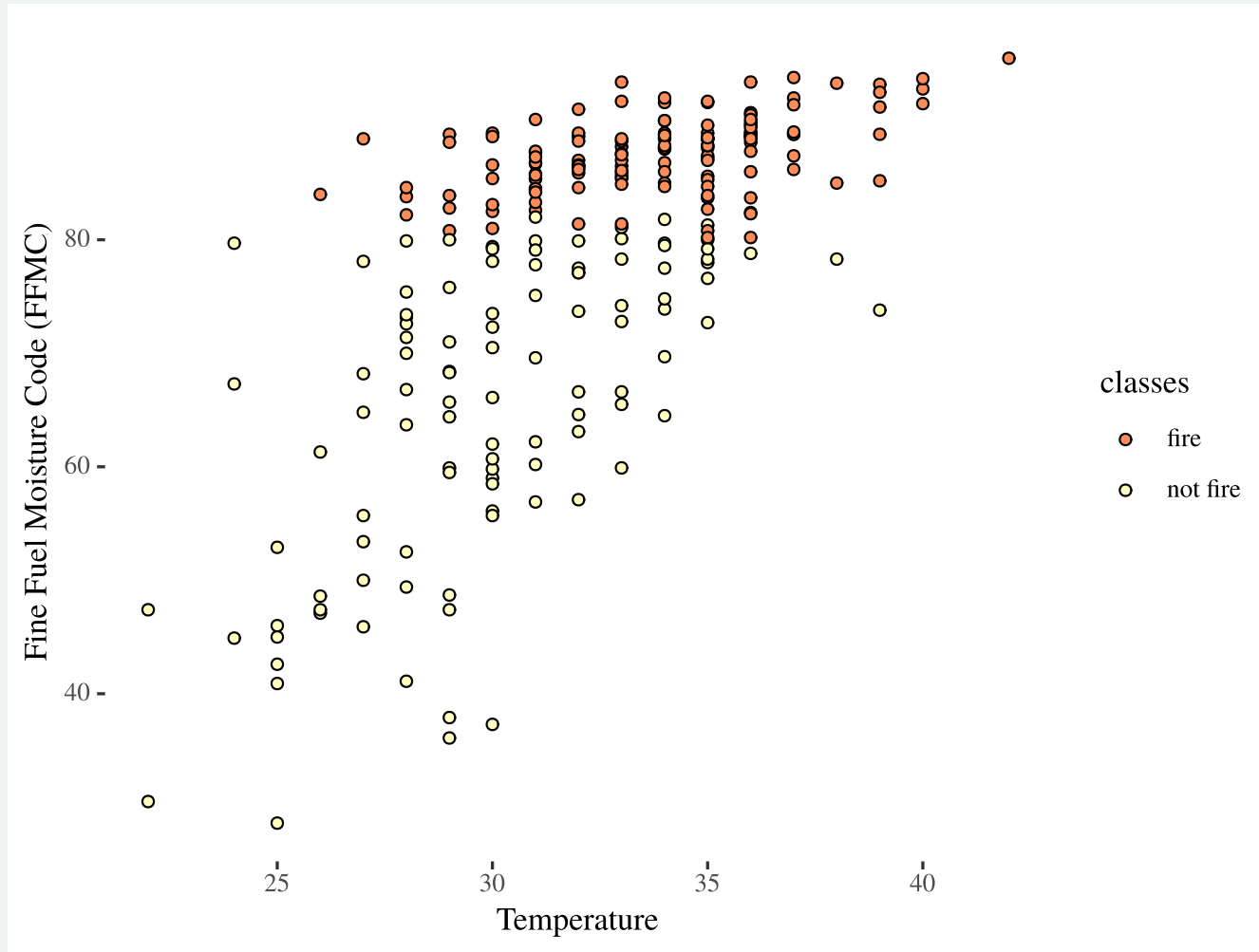
Variable	Description
Date	(DD/MM/YYYY) Day, month, year (2012)
Temp	Noon temperature in Celsius degrees: 22 to 42
RH	Relative Humidity in percentage: 21 to 90
Ws	Wind speed in km/h: 6 to 29
Rain	Daily total rain in mm: 0 to 16.8
Fine Fuel Moisture Code (FFMC) index	28.6 to 92.5
Duff Moisture Code (DMC) index	1.1 to 65.9
Drought Code (DC) index	7 to 220.4
Initial Spread Index (ISI) index	0 to 18.5
Buildup Index (BUI) index	1.1 to 68
Fire Weather Index (FWI) index	0 to 31.1
Classes	Two classes, namely <b>fire</b> and <b>not fire</b>



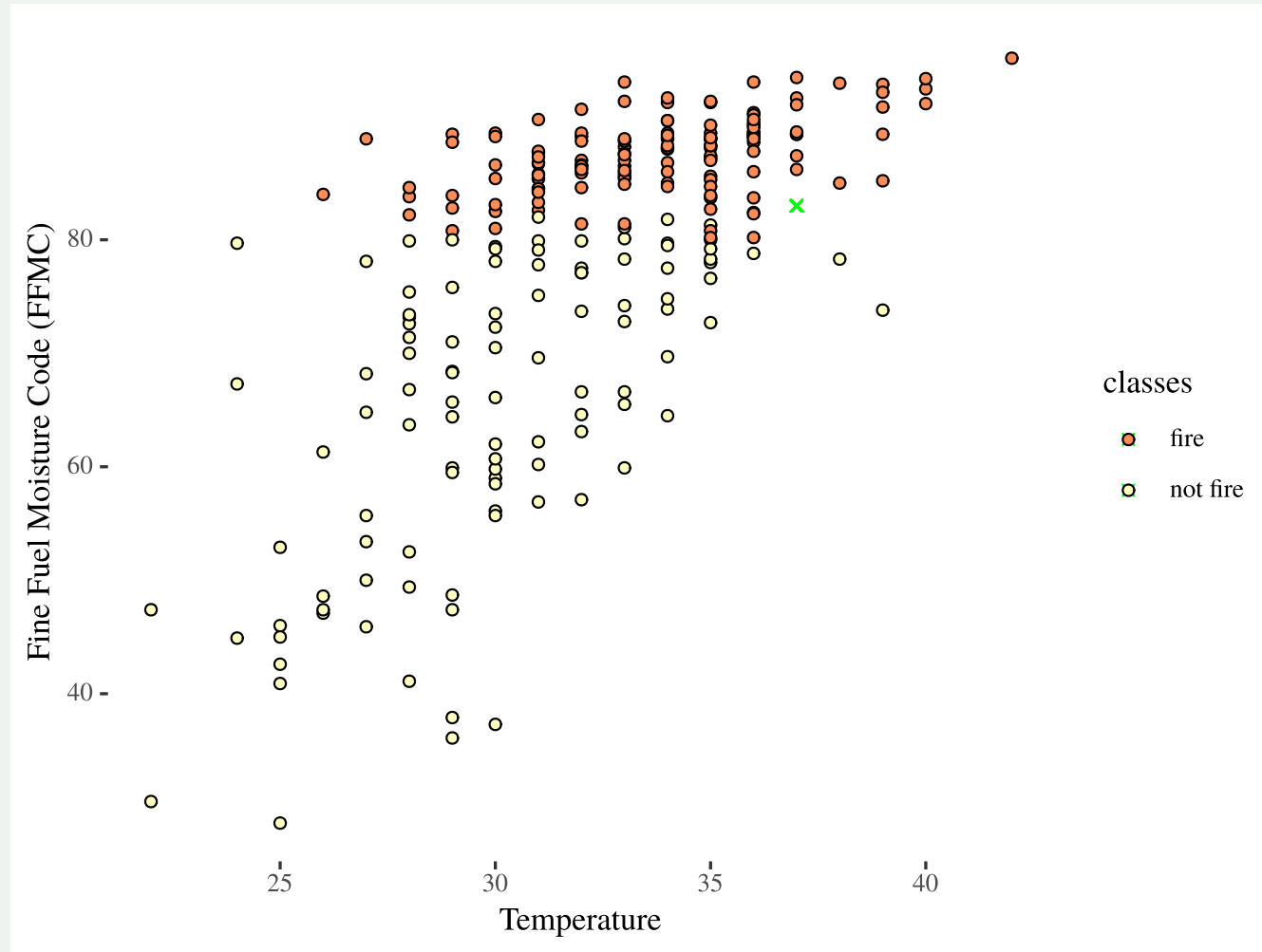
# Glimpse of the data

```
glimpse(fire)
Rows: 243
Columns: 14
$ day      <dbl> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17,...
$ month    <dbl> 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6...
$ year     <dbl> 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012, 2012...
$ temperature <dbl> 29, 29, 26, 25, 27, 31, 33, 30, 25, 28, 31, 26, 27, 30, 28...
$ rh       <dbl> 57, 61, 82, 89, 77, 67, 54, 73, 88, 79, 65, 81, 84, 78, 80...
$ ws       <dbl> 18, 13, 22, 13, 16, 14, 13, 15, 13, 12, 14, 19, 21, 20, 17...
$ rain     <dbl> 0.0, 1.3, 13.1, 2.5, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.2, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0...
$ ffmc     <dbl> 65.7, 64.4, 47.1, 28.6, 64.8, 82.6, 88.2, 86.6, 52.9, 73.2...
$ dmc      <dbl> 3.4, 4.1, 2.5, 1.3, 3.0, 5.8, 9.9, 12.1, 7.9, 9.5, 12.5, 1...
$ dc       <dbl> 7.6, 7.6, 7.1, 6.9, 14.2, 22.2, 30.5, 38.3, 38.8, 46.3, 54...
$ isi      <dbl> 1.3, 1.0, 0.3, 0.0, 1.2, 3.1, 6.4, 5.6, 0.4, 1.3, 4.0, 4.8...
$ bui      <dbl> 3.4, 3.9, 2.7, 1.7, 3.9, 7.0, 10.9, 13.5, 10.5, 12.6, 15.8...
$ fwi      <dbl> 0.5, 0.4, 0.1, 0.0, 0.5, 2.5, 7.2, 7.1, 0.3, 0.9, 5.6, 7.1...
$ classes  <chr> "not fire", "not fire", "not fire", "not fire", "not fire"...
```

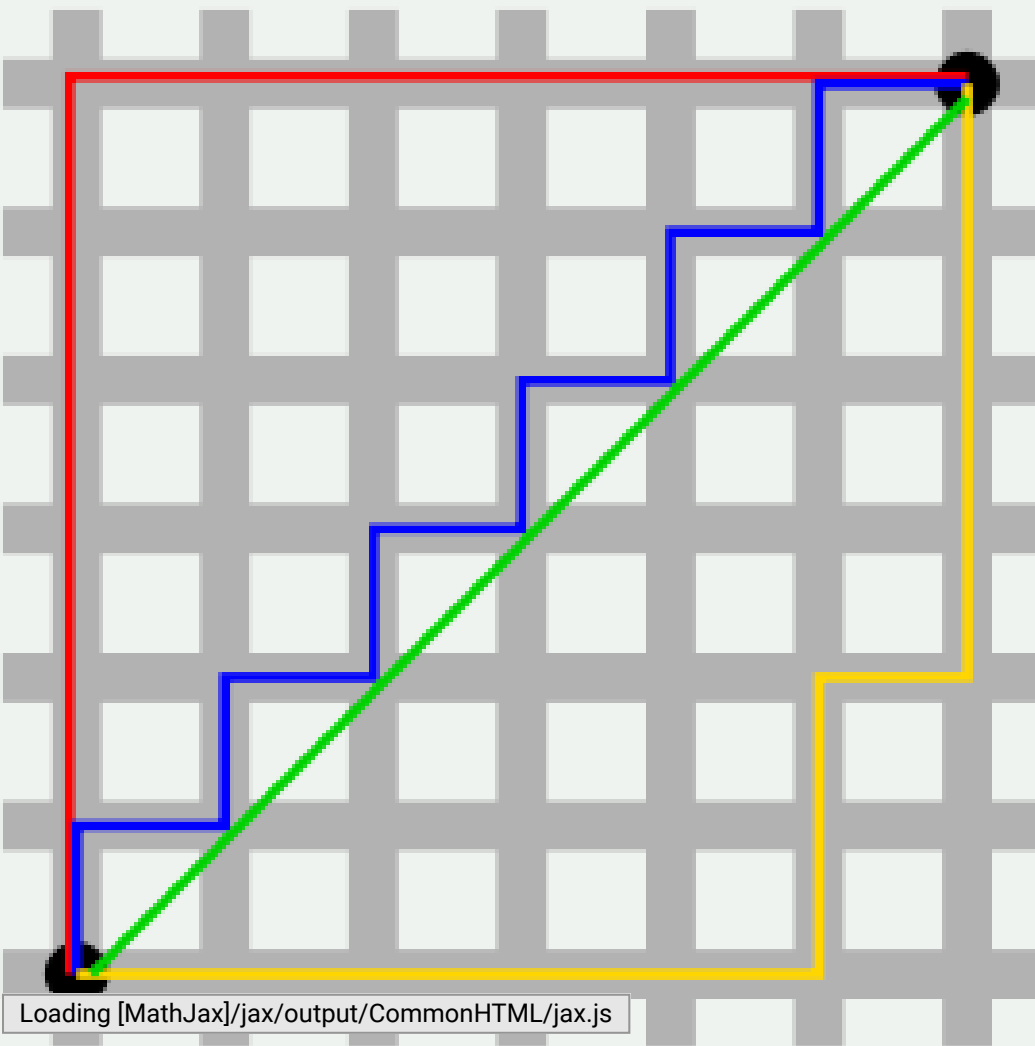
# Scatterplot



# How can we classify a new observation?



# Calculating distance



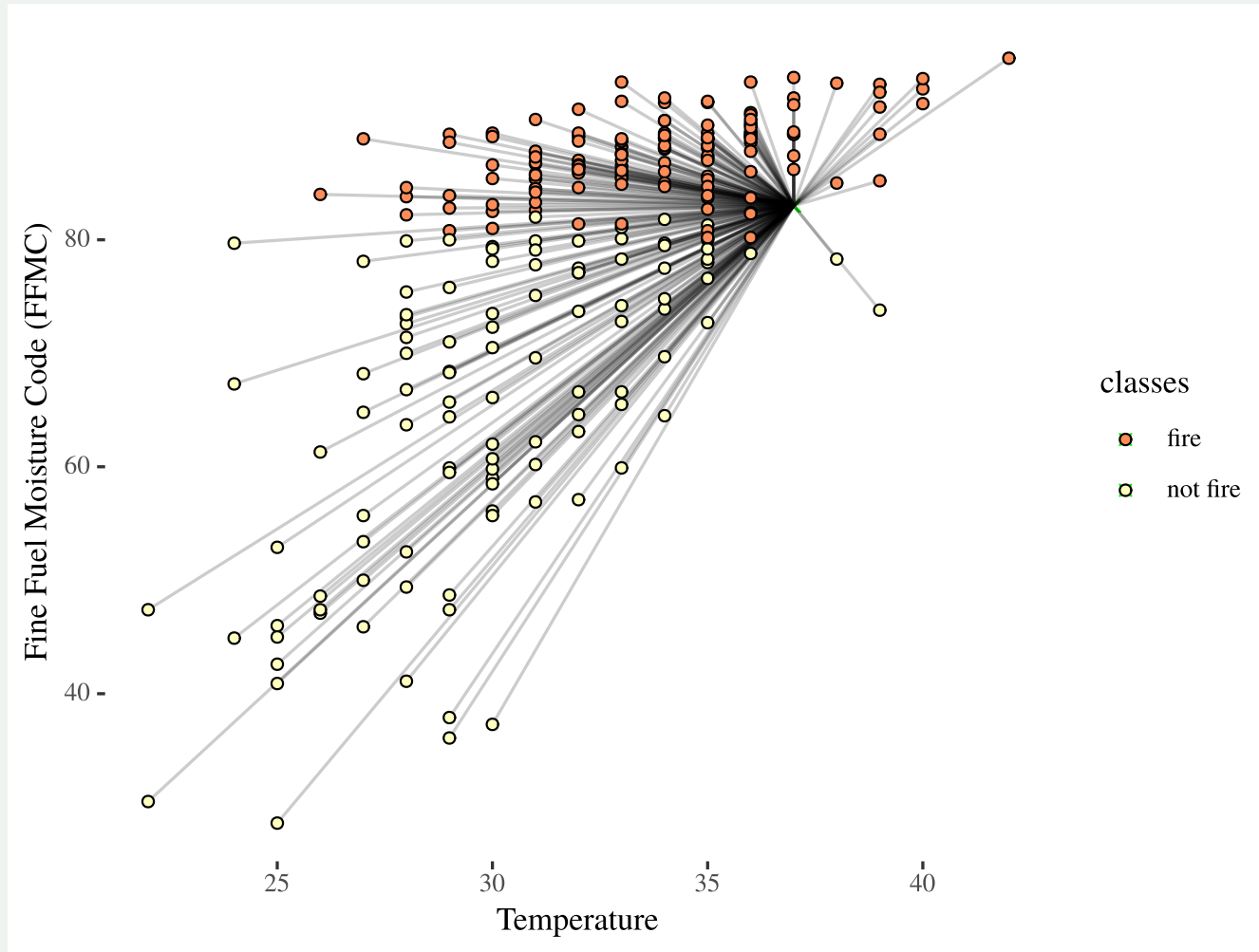
**Euclidean distance:** the straight line distance between two points on the x-y plane with coordinates  $(x_a, y_a)$  and  $(x_b, y_b)$

$$\text{Distance} = \sqrt{(x_a - x_b)^2 + (y_a - y_b)^2}$$

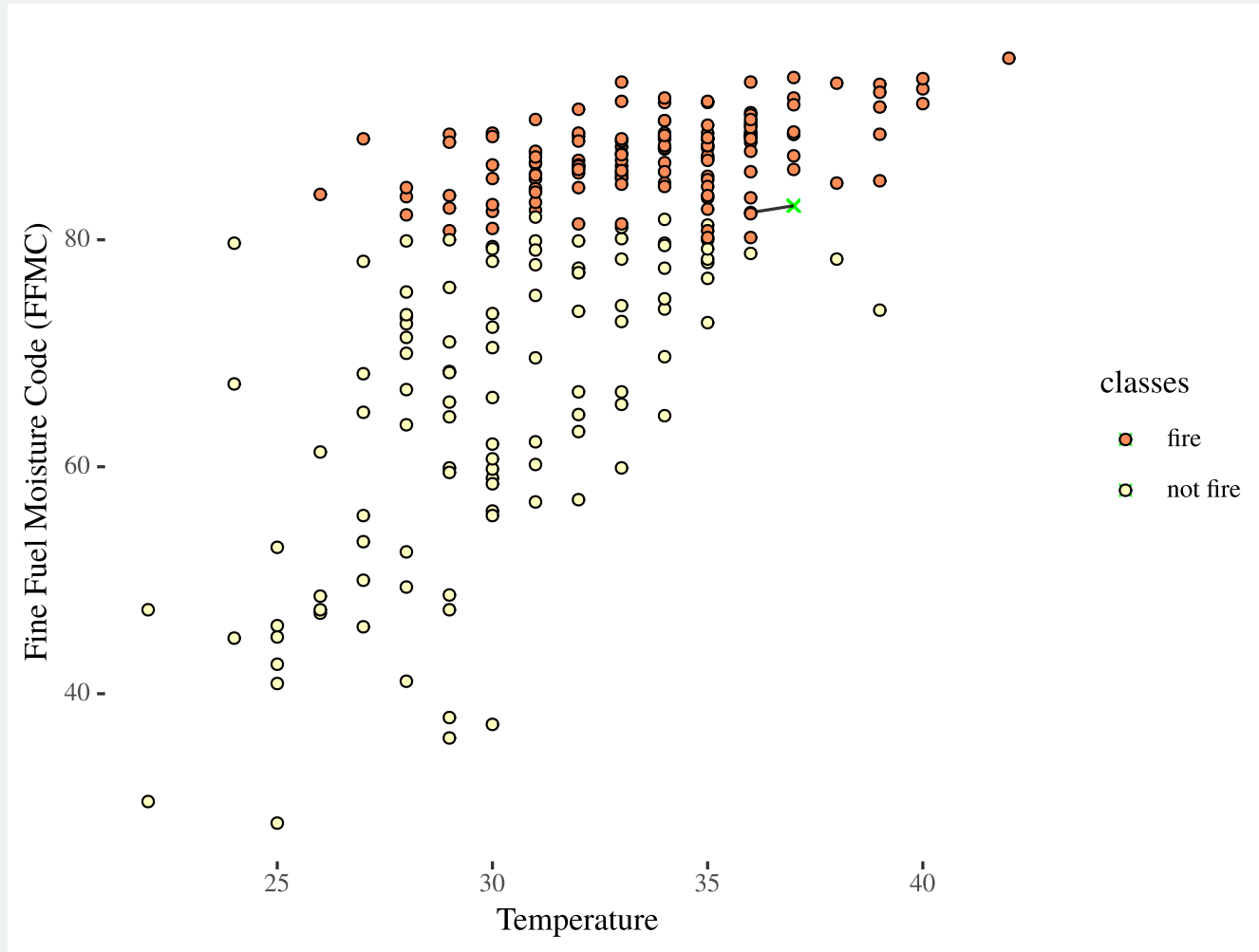
**Manhattan distance:** the "taxi-cab" distance between two points on the x-y plane

$$\text{Distance} = |x_a - x_b| + |y_a - y_b|$$

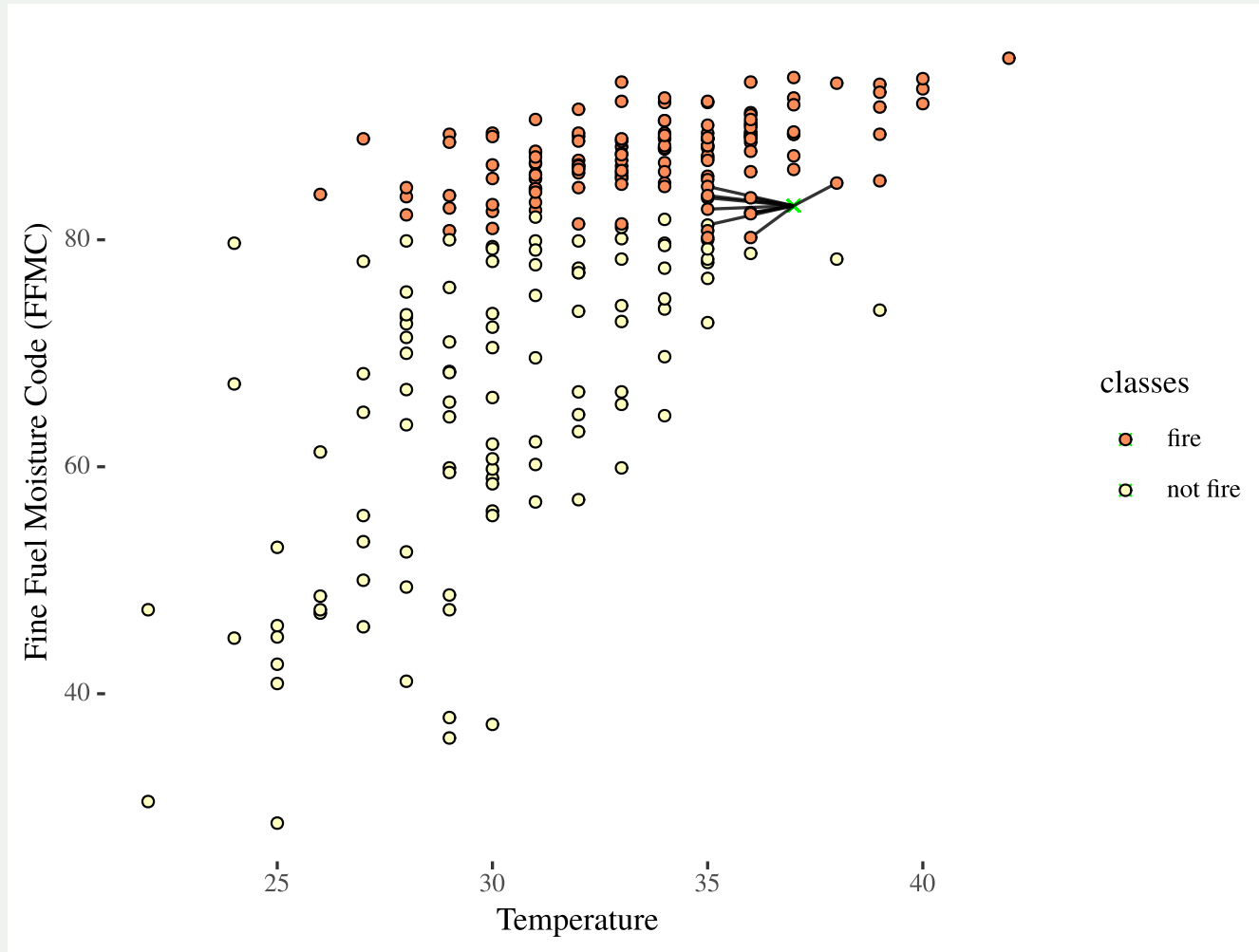
# Looking at Euclidean distance



# 1-Nearest Neighbor (NN)



# 10-NN



Wait, something is not quite right..

# Need to standardize data

```
standardize <- function(x, na.rm = FALSE) {  
  (x - mean(x, na.rm = na.rm)) / sd(x, na.rm = na.rm)  
}
```

- Predictors with larger variation will have larger influence on which cases are “nearest” neighbors
- Methods relying on distance can be sensitive (i.e. not invariant) to the scale of the predictors
- Standardizing only shifts and rescales the variable, it doesn't change the shape of the distribution



`dnur::across()`

use within `mutate()`  
or `summarize()` to

# Standardized data

```
fire1 <- fire %>% mutate(across(where(is.numeric), standardize))
```

```
fire1 %>% summary()
```

day		month		year		temperature	
Min.	:-1.66935	Min.	:-1.3474	Min.	: NA	Min.	:-2.79828
1st Qu.:	-0.87772	1st Qu.:	-0.4504	1st Qu.:	: NA	1st Qu.:	-0.59323
Median :	0.02699	Median :	0.4467	Median :	: NA	Median :	-0.04197
Mean :	0.00000	Mean :	0.0000	Mean :	:NaN	Mean :	0.00000
3rd Qu.:	0.81862	3rd Qu.:	0.4467	3rd Qu.:	: NA	3rd Qu.:	0.78492
Max.	: 1.72334	Max.	: 1.3437	Max.	: NA	Max.	: 2.71434

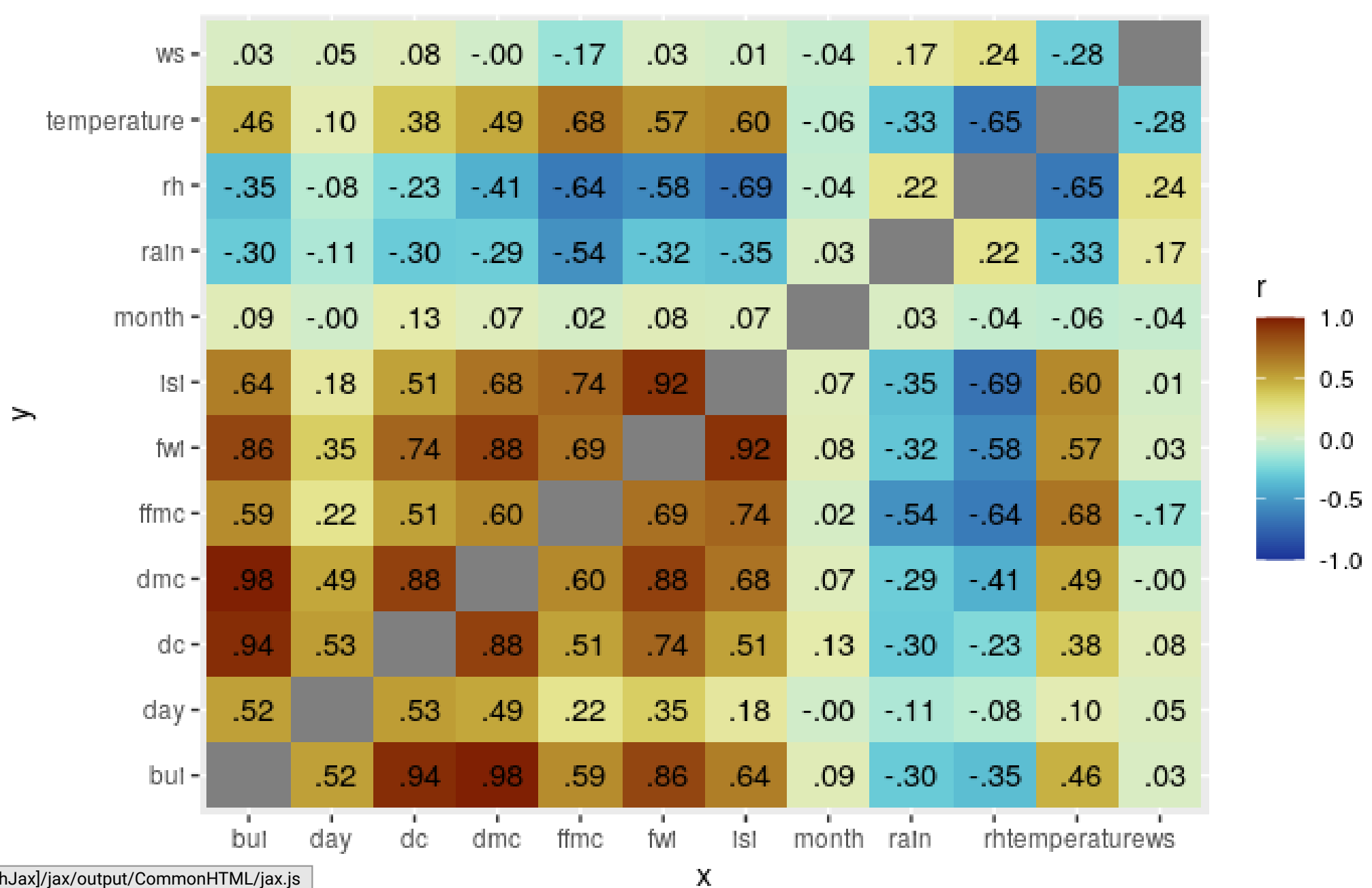
rh		ws		rain		ffmc	
Min.	:-2.76778	Min.	:-3.3769	Min.	:-0.3809	Min.	:-3.4316
1st Qu.:	-0.64345	1st Qu.:	-0.5313	1st Qu.:	-0.3809	1st Qu.:	-0.4176
Median :	0.06466	Median :	-0.1757	Median :	-0.3809	Median :	0.3803
Mean :	0.00000	Mean :	0.0000	Mean :	0.0000	Mean :	0.0000
3rd Qu.:	0.77278	3rd Qu.:	0.5357	3rd Qu.:	-0.1313	3rd Qu.:	0.7288
Max.	: 1.88552	Max.	: 4.8041	Max.	: 8.0057	Max.	: 1.2654

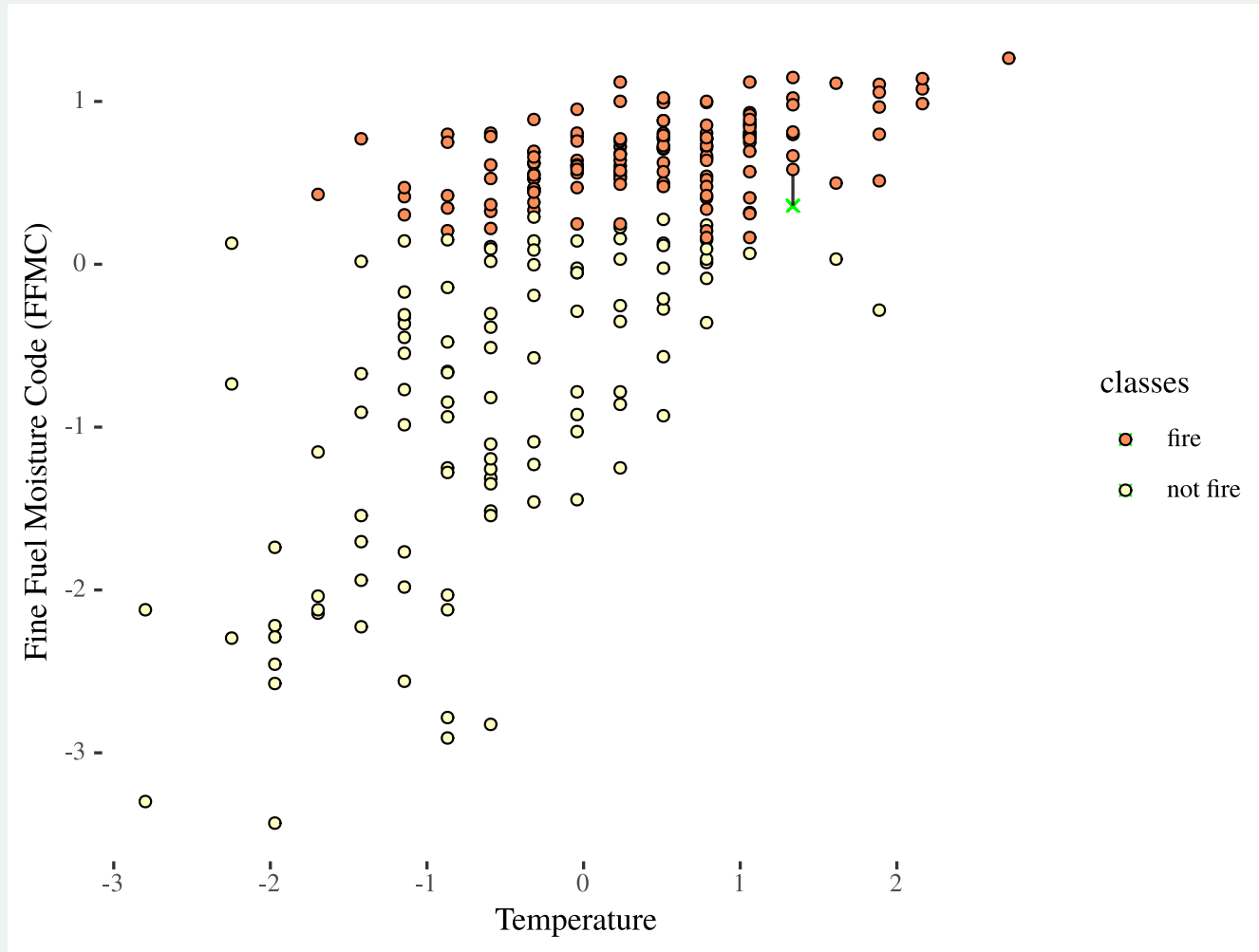
dmc		dc		isi		bui	
Min.	:-1.1281	Min.	:-0.8923	Min.	:-1.1416	Min.	:-1.0957
1st Qu.:	-0.7166	1st Qu.:	-0.7779	1st Qu.:	-0.8046	1st Qu.:	-0.7514
Median :	-0.2728	Median :	-0.3426	Median :	-0.2991	Median :	-0.3015
Mean :	0.0000	Mean :	0.0000	Mean :	0.0000	Mean :	0.0000
3rd Qu.:	0.4938	3rd Qu.:	0.4126	3rd Qu.:	0.6036	3rd Qu.:	0.4188
Max.	: 4.1329	Max.	: 3.5868	Max.	: 3.4321	Max.	: 3.6061

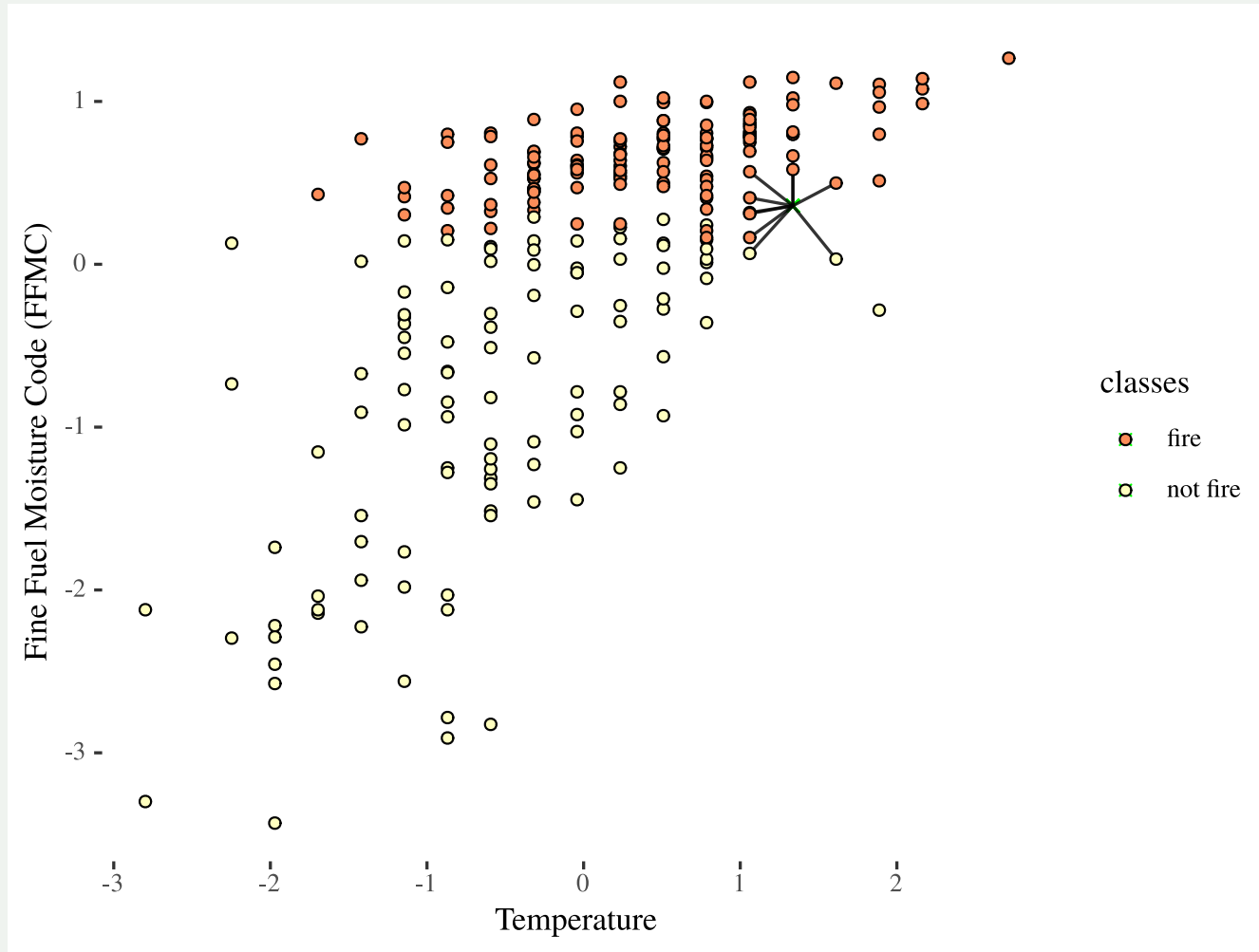
fwi		classes	
Min.	:-0.9455	Length:	243
1st Qu.:	-0.8515	Class :	character
Median :	-0.3811	Mode :	character
Mean :	0.0000		
3rd Qu.:	0.5933		
Max.	: 3.2342		



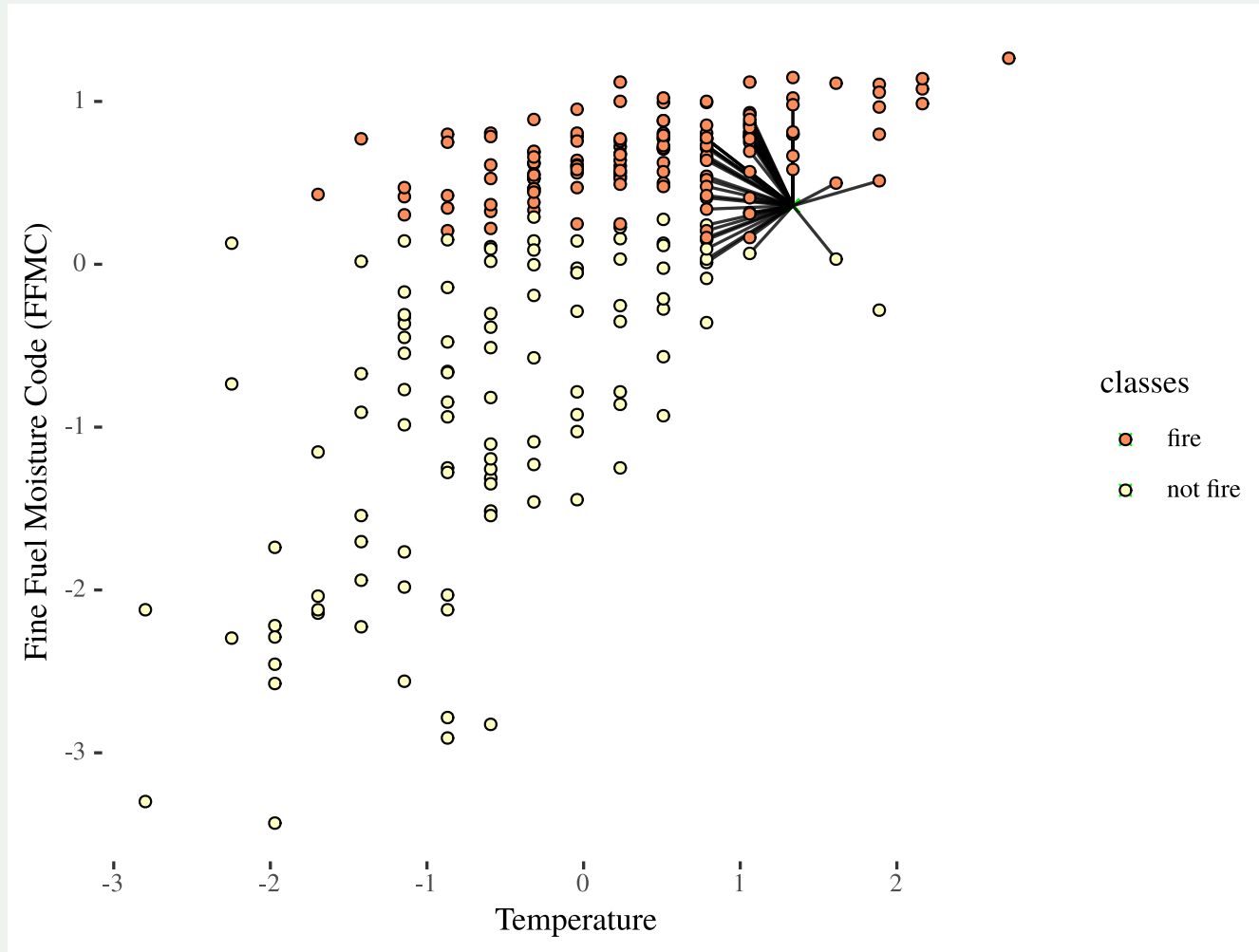
# 1-NN again



# 10-NN again



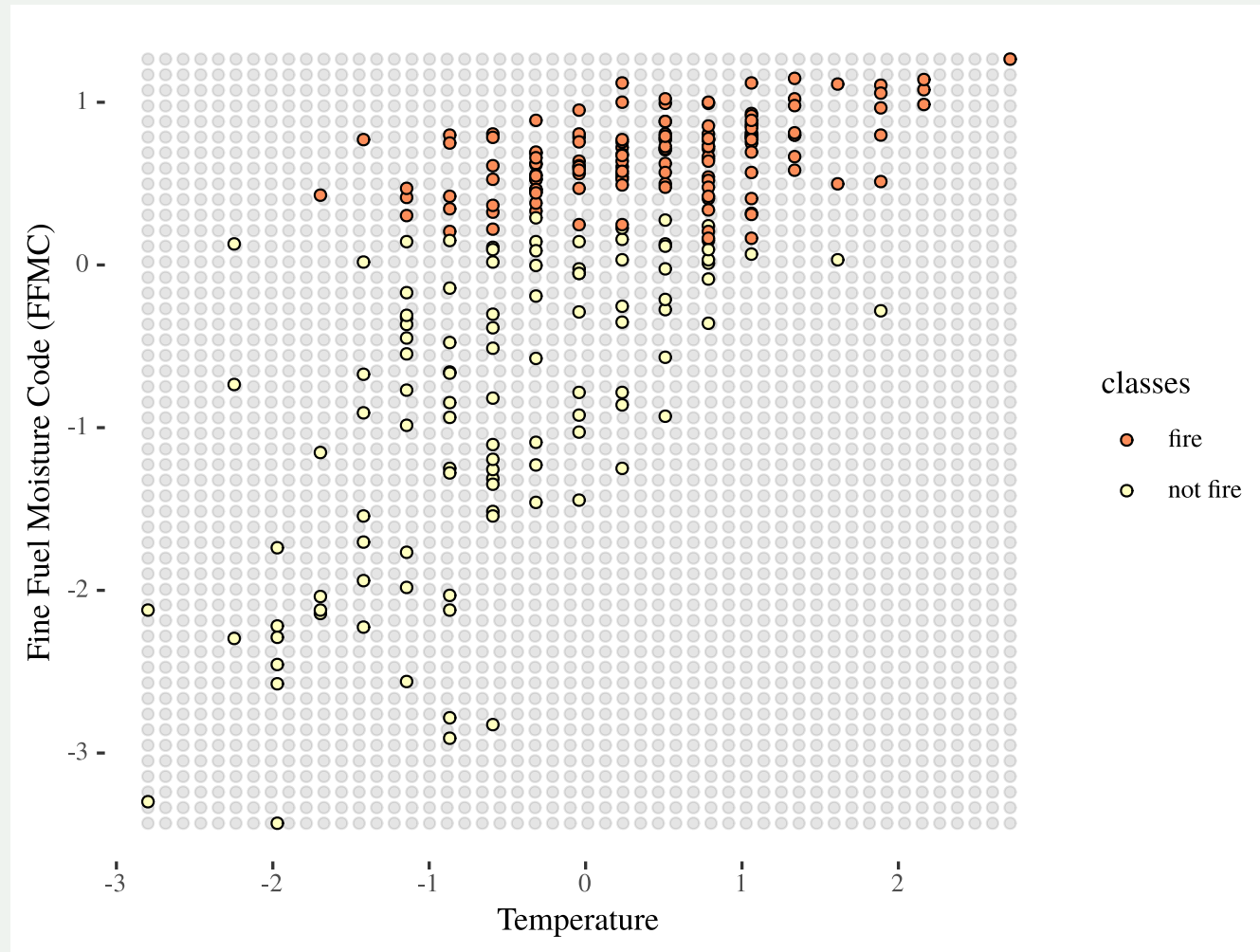
# 50-NN again



# Visualizing the decision boundary

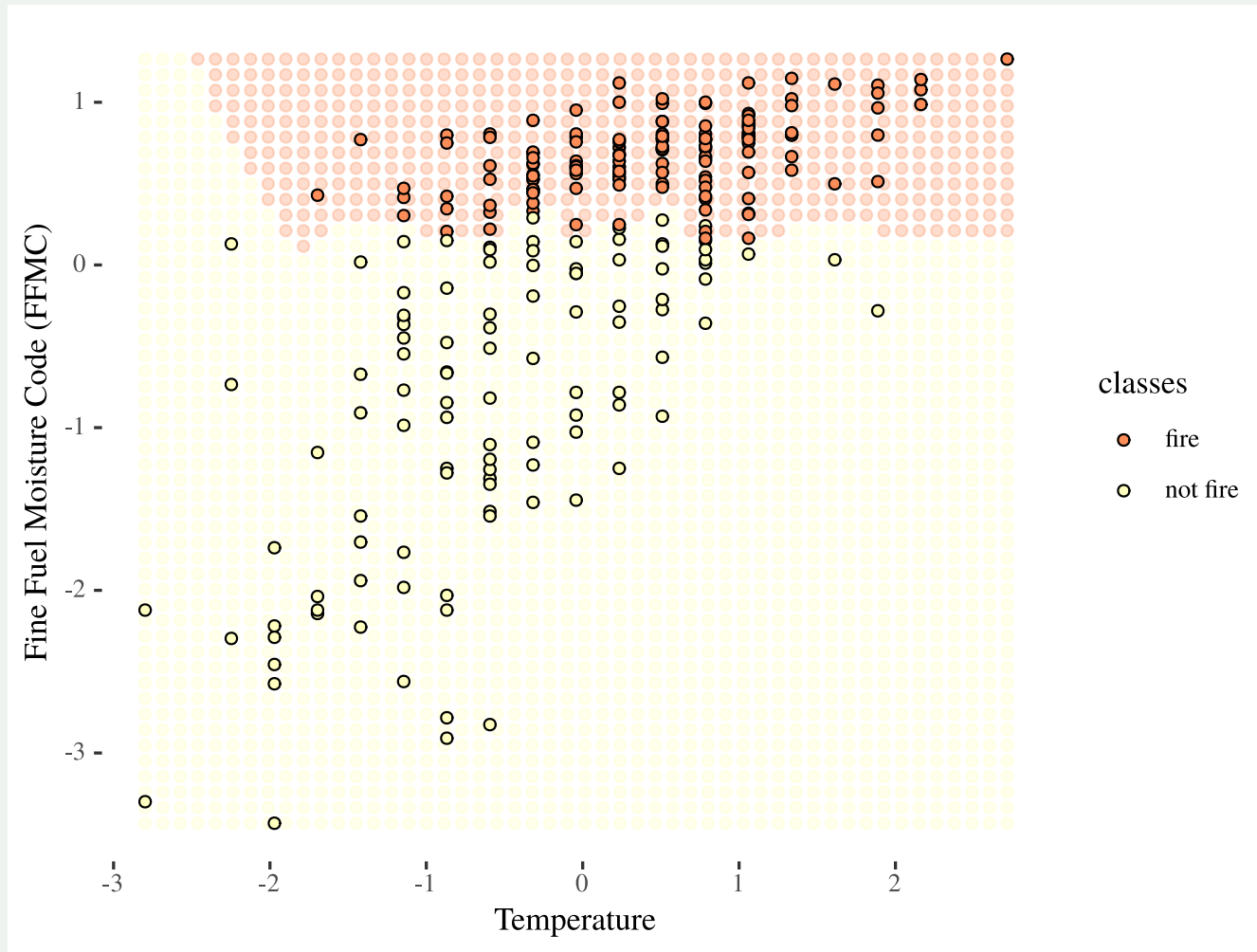
- We can map out the region in feature-space where the classifier would predict 'fire', and the kinds where it would predict 'not fire'
- There is some boundary between the two, where points on one side of the boundary will be classified 'fire' and points on the other side will be classified 'not fire'
- This boundary is called **decision boundary**

# Visualizing the decision boundary

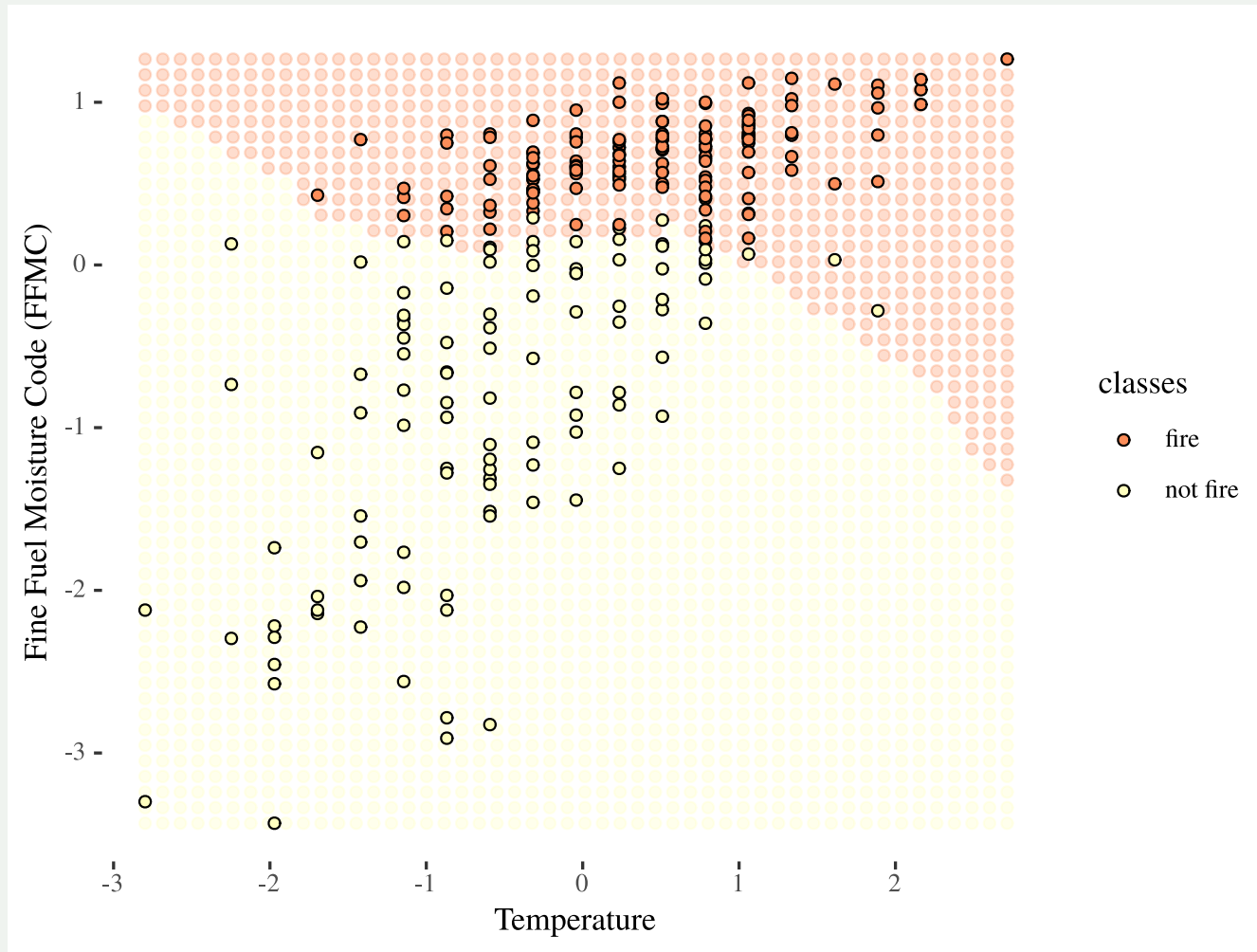


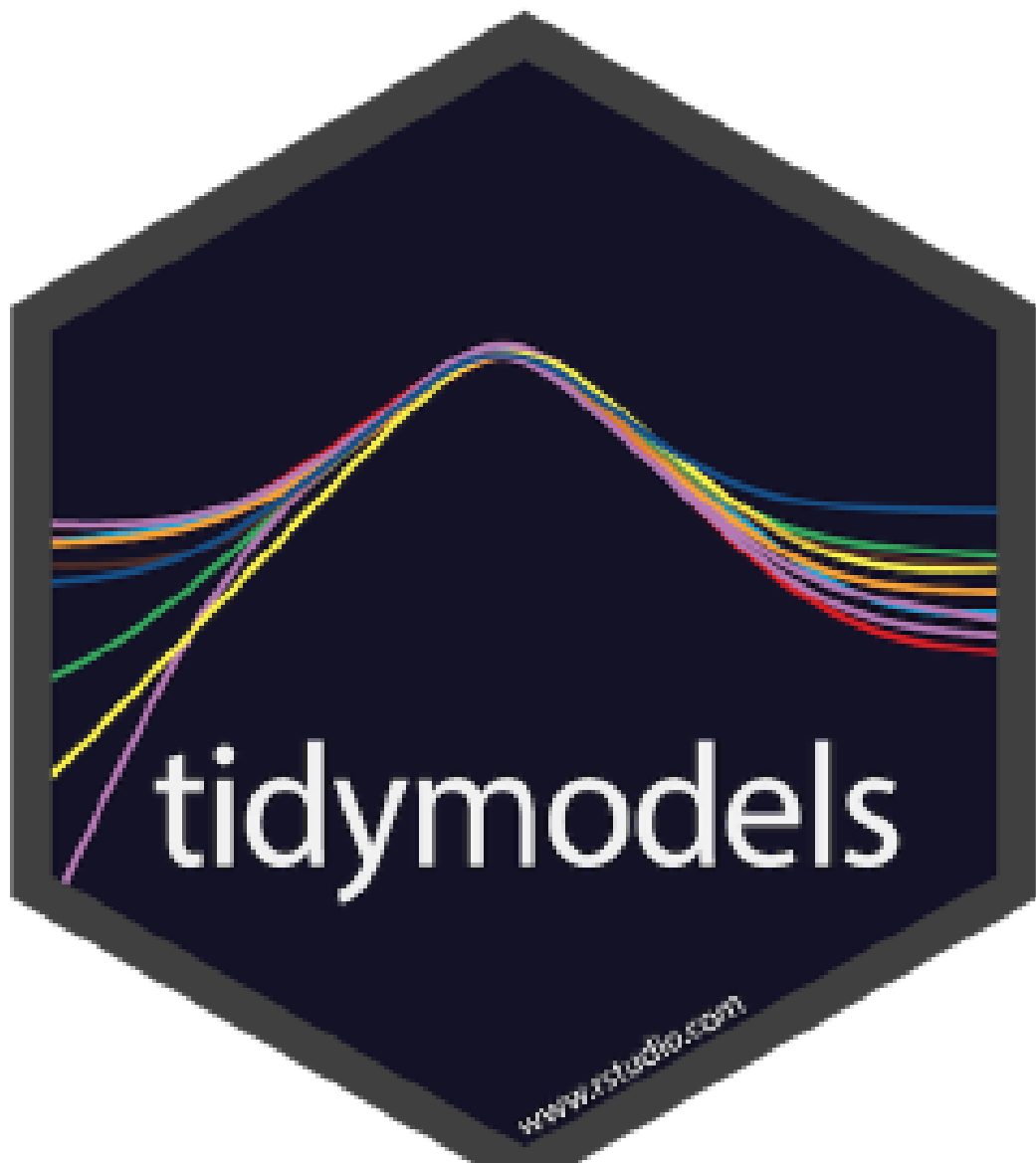


# 1-NN decision boundary



# 25-NN decision boundary





a collection of packages for  
modeling and machine learning  
using tidyverse principles

# 1. Load data and convert types

```
fire_raw <- read_csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/deepbas/statdatasets/main/Algeriafires.csv") %>%  
  clean_names() %>% na.omit() %>%  
  mutate(classes = as_factor(classes)) %>%  
  mutate_at(c(10,13), as.numeric) %>%  
  select(temperature, ffmc, classes)
```

```
head(fire_raw)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 3
```

	temperature	ffmc	classes
	<dbl>	<dbl>	<fct>
1	29	65.7	not fire
2	29	64.4	not fire
3	26	47.1	not fire
4	25	28.6	not fire
5	27	64.8	not fire
6	31	82.6	fire

## 2. Create a recipe for data preprocessing

```
fire_recipe <- recipe(classes ~ ., data = fire_raw) %>%  
  step_scale(all_predictors()) %>%  
  step_center(all_predictors()) %>%  
  prep()
```

### 3. Apply the recipe to the data set

```
fire_scaled <- bake(fire_recipe, fire_raw)
```

```
# A tibble: 243 × 3
  temperature    ffmc classes
    <dbl>    <dbl> <fct>
1   -0.869  -0.846 not fire
2   -0.869  -0.937 not fire
3   -1.70   -2.14  not fire
4   -1.97   -3.43  not fire
5   -1.42   -0.909 not fire
6   -0.318   0.332  fire
7    0.234   0.722  fire
8   -0.593   0.610  fire
9   -1.97   -1.74  not fire
10  -1.14   -0.324 not fire
# ... with 233 more rows
```

## 4. Create a model specification

```
knn_spec <- nearest_neighbor(mode = "classification",  
                             engine = "kkn",  
                             weight_func = "rectangular",  
                             neighbors = 5)
```

## 5. Fit the model on the preprocessed data

```
knn_fit <- knn_spec %>%  
  fit(classes ~ ., data = fire_scaled)
```



## 6. Classify

Suppose we get two new observations, use predict to classify the observations

```
# Data frame/tibble of new observations
new_observations <- tibble(temperature = c(1, 2), ffmc = c(-1, 1))
```

```
# Making classifications (i.e. predictions)
predict(knn_fit, new_data = new_observations)
# A tibble: 2 × 1
  .pred_class
  <fct>
1 not fire
2 fire
```

# Further Practice: Pima Indians Diabetes

Owned by the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases

- A data frame with 768 observations on 9 variables.
- We have the lab results of 158 patients, including whether they have CKD
- Response variable: `diabetes = pos, neg`
- Predictor variables: *pregnant, glucose, pressure, triceps, insulin, mass, pedigree, age*

# Variables

Variable	Description
pregnant	Number of times pregnant
glucose	Plasma glucose concentration (glucose tolerance test)
pressure	Diastolic blood pressure (mm Hg)
triceps	Triceps skinfold thickness (mm)
insulin	2-Hour serum insulin ( $\mu$ U/ml)
mass	Body mass index ( $\text{weight in kg}/(\text{height in m})^2$ )
pedigree	Diabetes pedigree function
age	Age (years)
diabetes	diabetes case (pos/neg)

# Your Turn 1

10:00

Please clone the repository on [classification intro](#) to your local folder.

```
library(mlbench)
data(PimaIndiansDiabetes2)
```

- Tidy the data to make it ready for analysis
- Make a correlation plot of the numerical variables in the dataset
- Which pair of variables in the dataset have the largest correlation?
- Using `parsnip` package, perform all the steps involved in classifying whether a patient with certain glucose and insulin would have diabetes or not.