

# Anomaly Detection

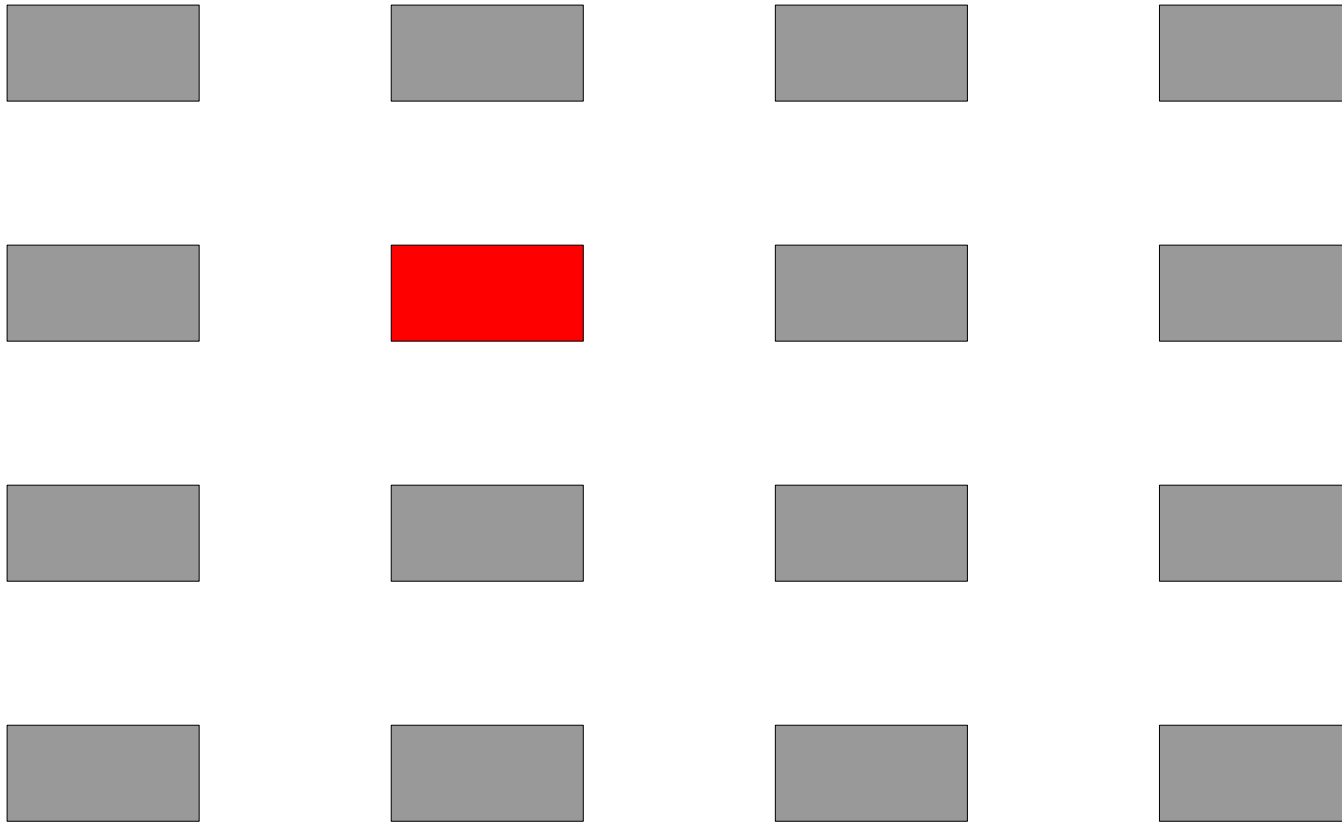
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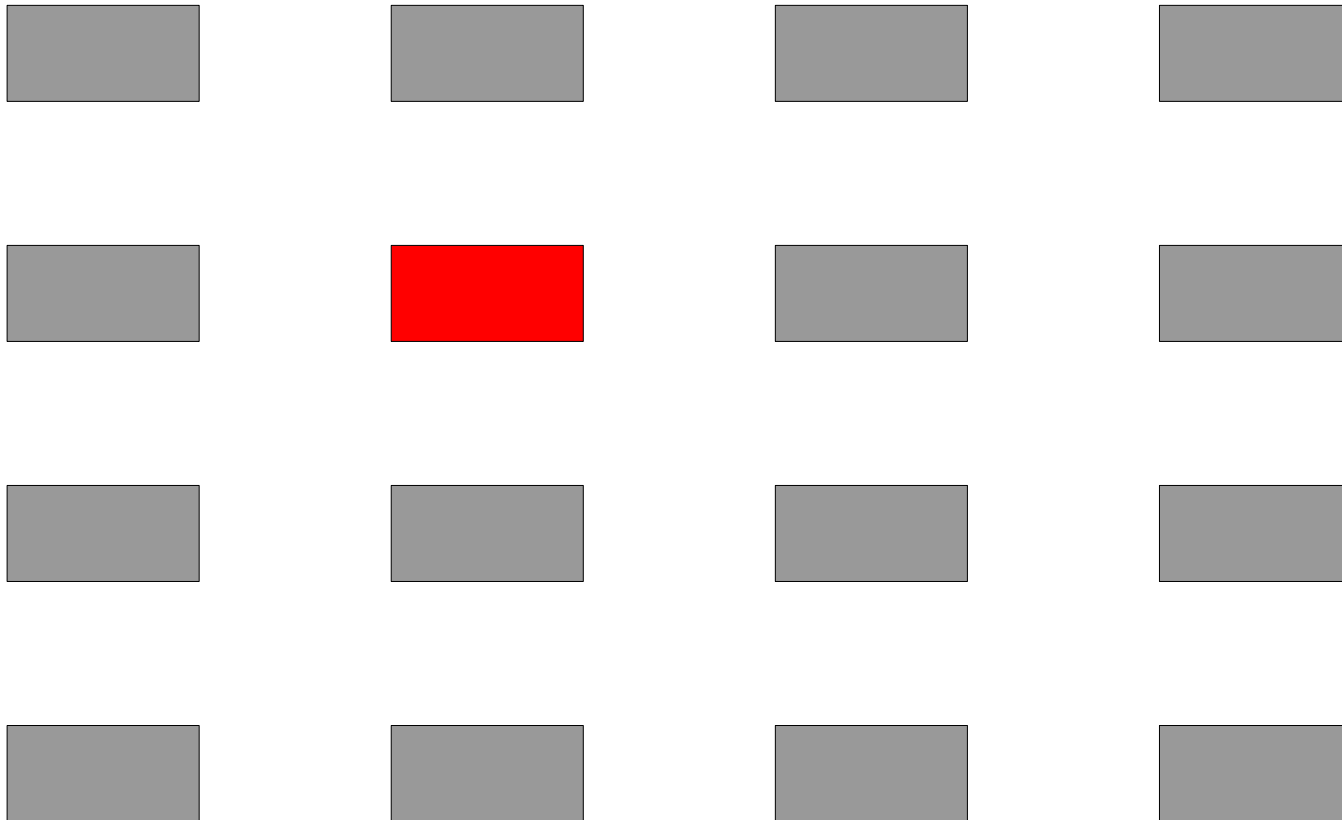
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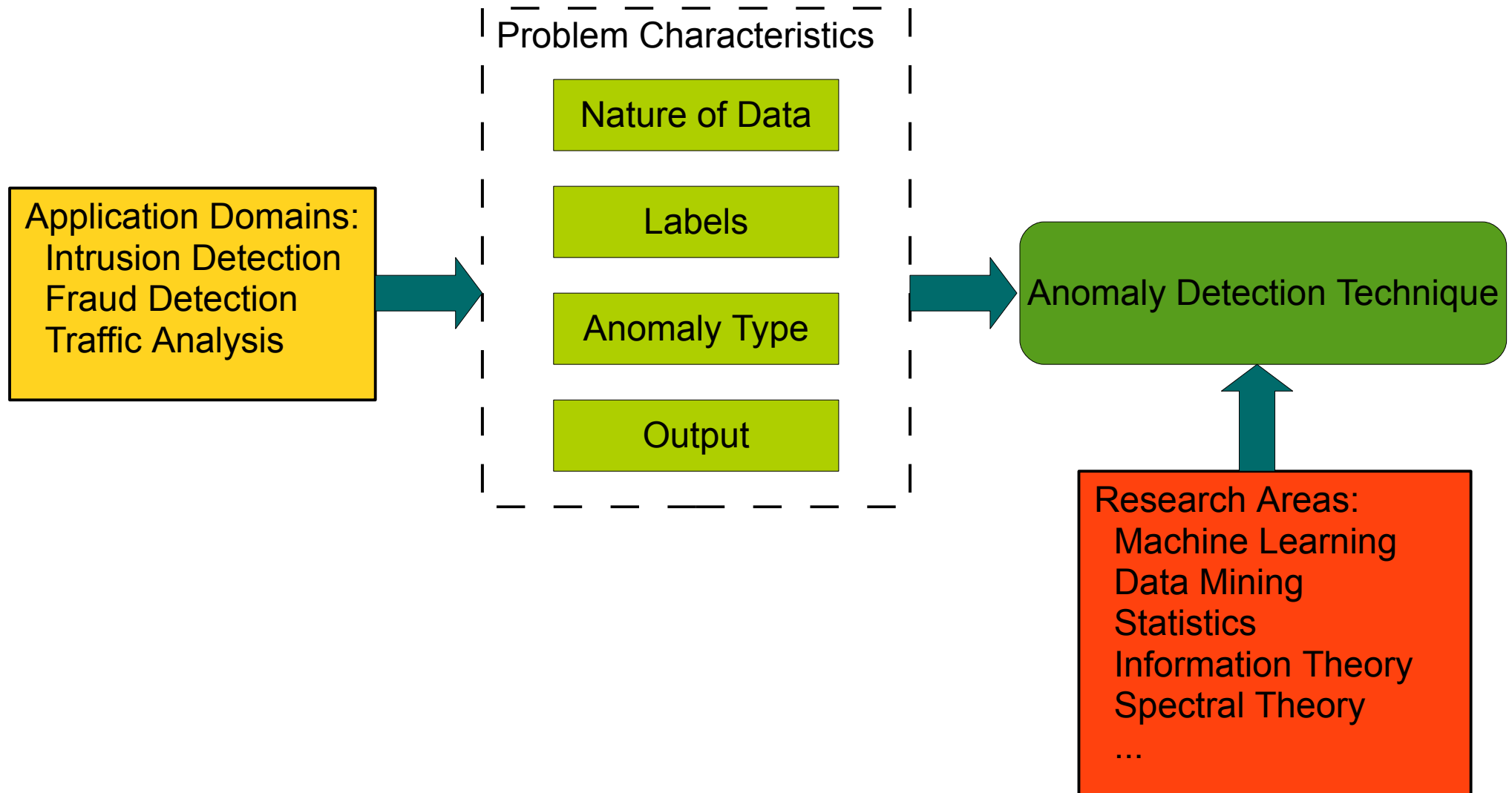
An anomaly is a deviation from the normal or expected behavior



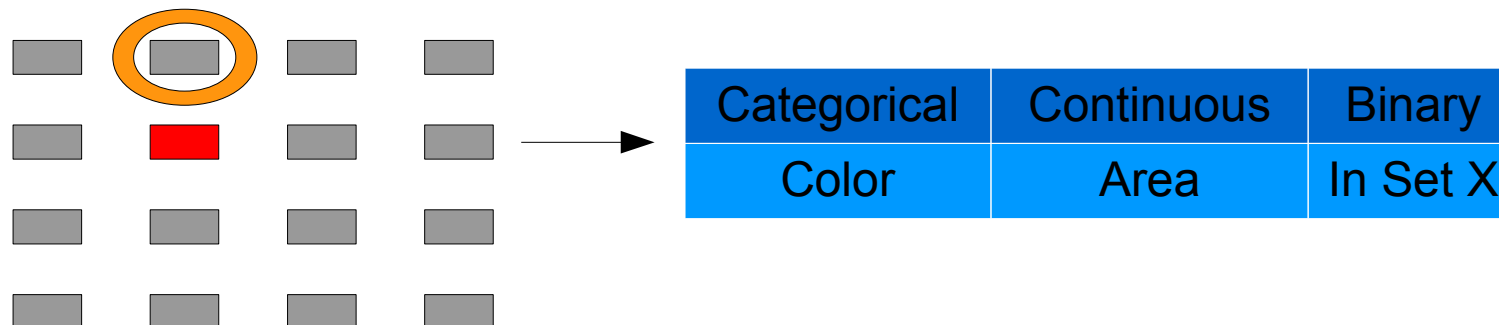
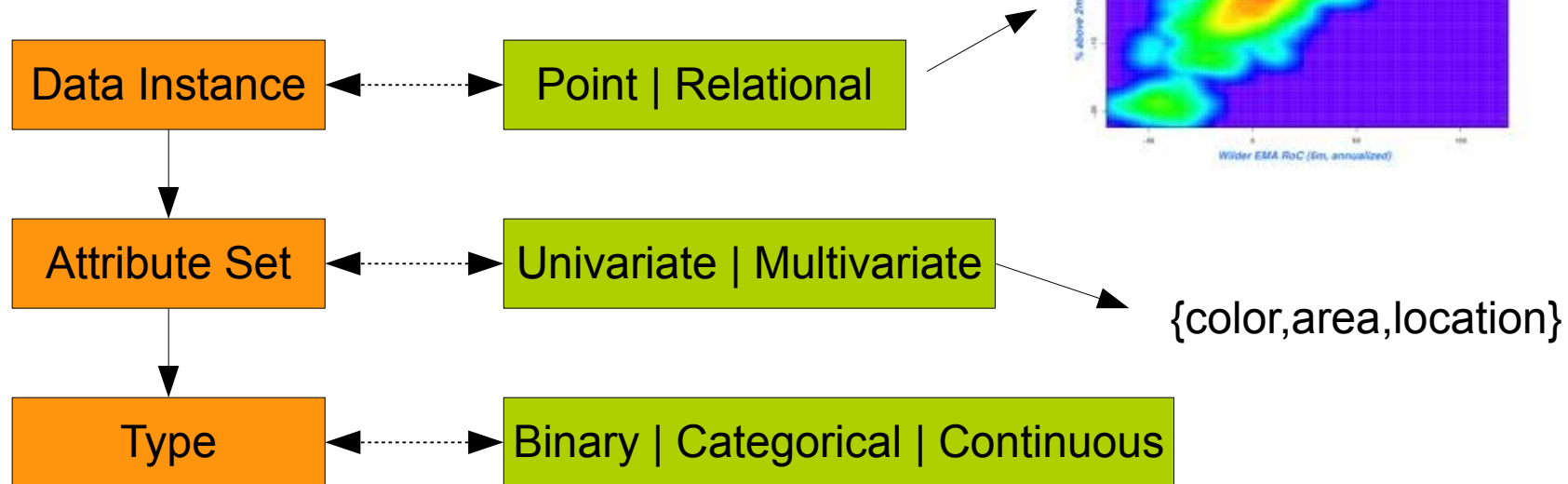
# This seems easy, why even worry about it?



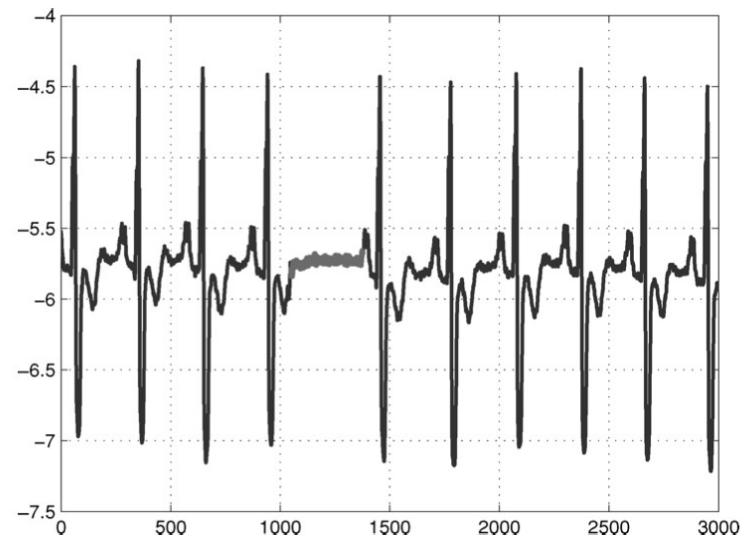
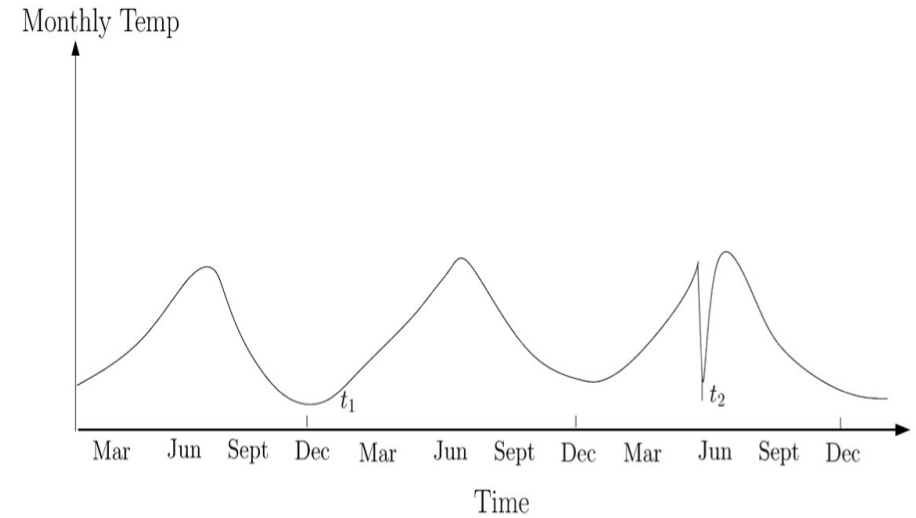
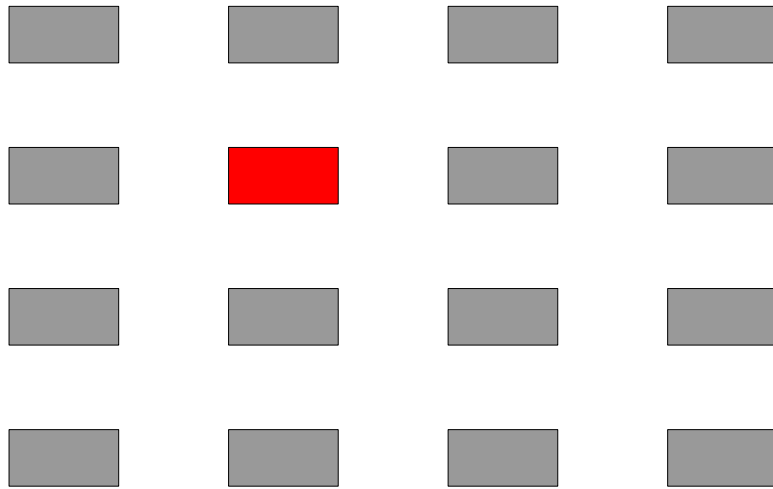
# Anomaly detection solves these problems in several diverse ways...



# What types of data do we have?



# Anomalies can be classified as point, contextual, or collective

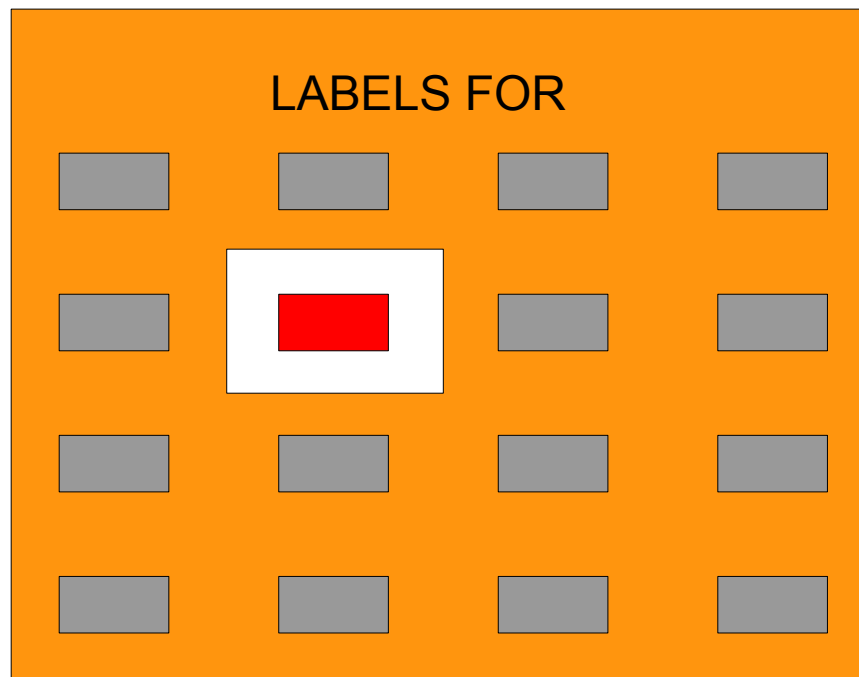


**Fig. 4.** Collective anomaly corresponding to an *Atrial Premature Contraction* in an human electrocardiogram output.

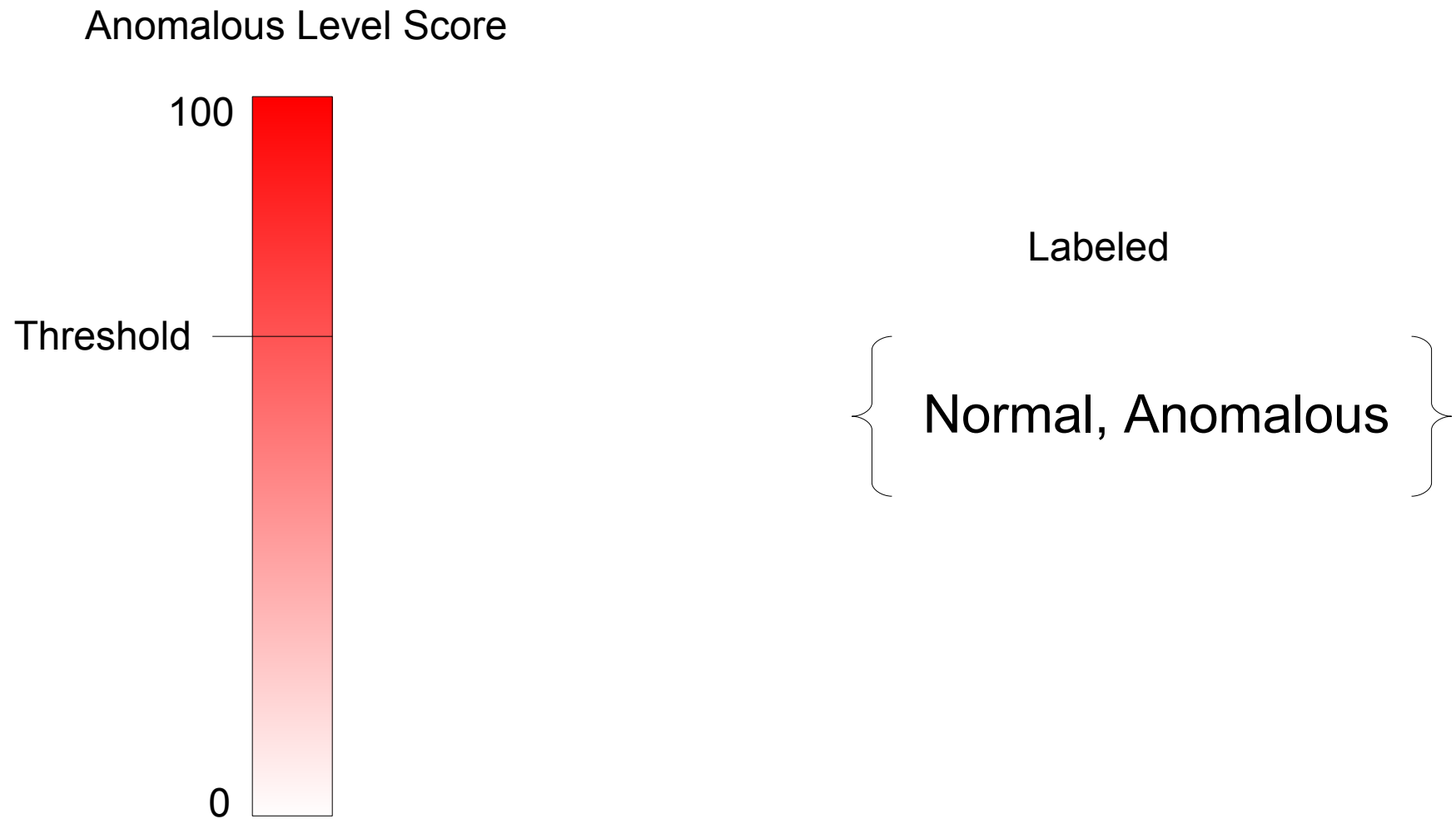


Data must be labeled as anomalous or normal in a training phase

## Self-supervised



# Anomaly output in the form of either scores or labels





# Classifying techniques is hard but there exists a set of high level areas

Statistical

Machine Learning

Data Mining

Categorical

Nearest Neighbor

Clustering

Spectral

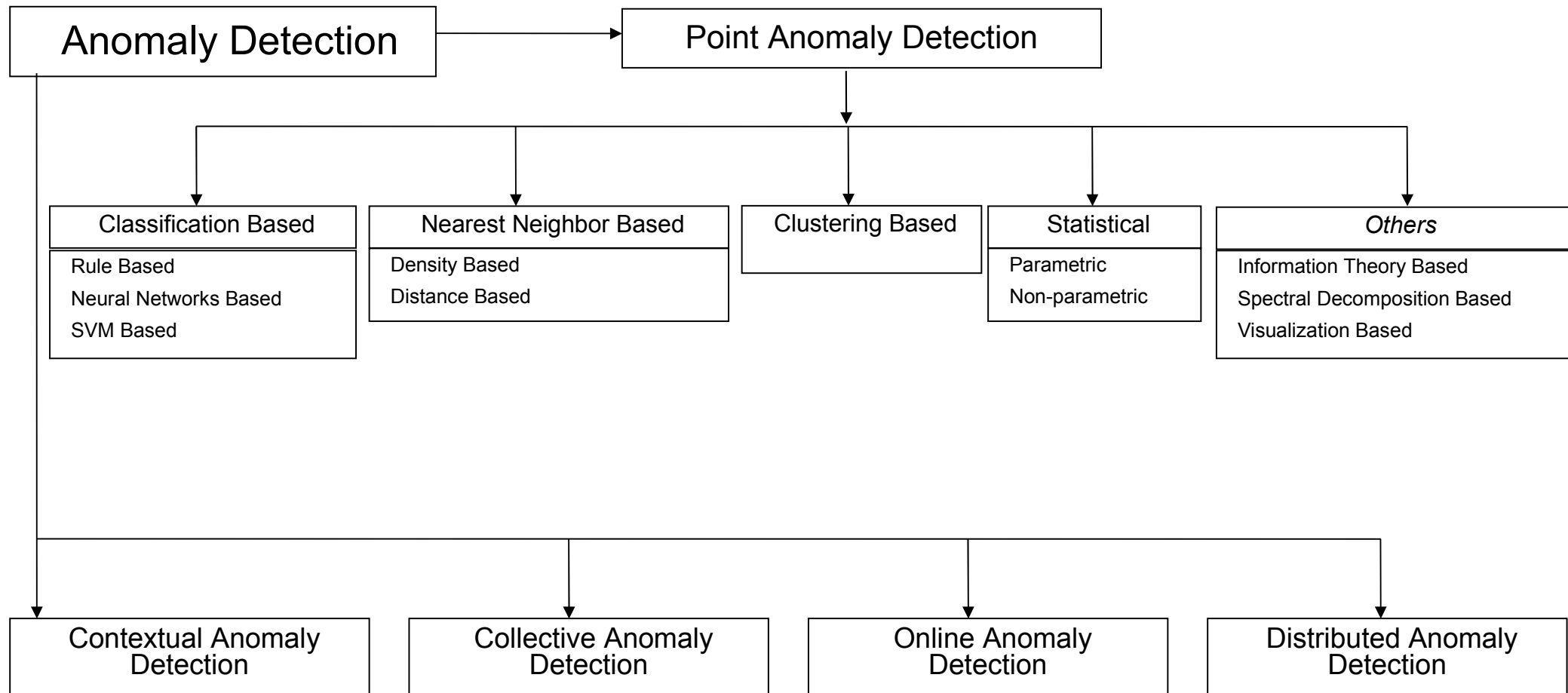
Information Theory

Statistical

Irrelevant for this discussion



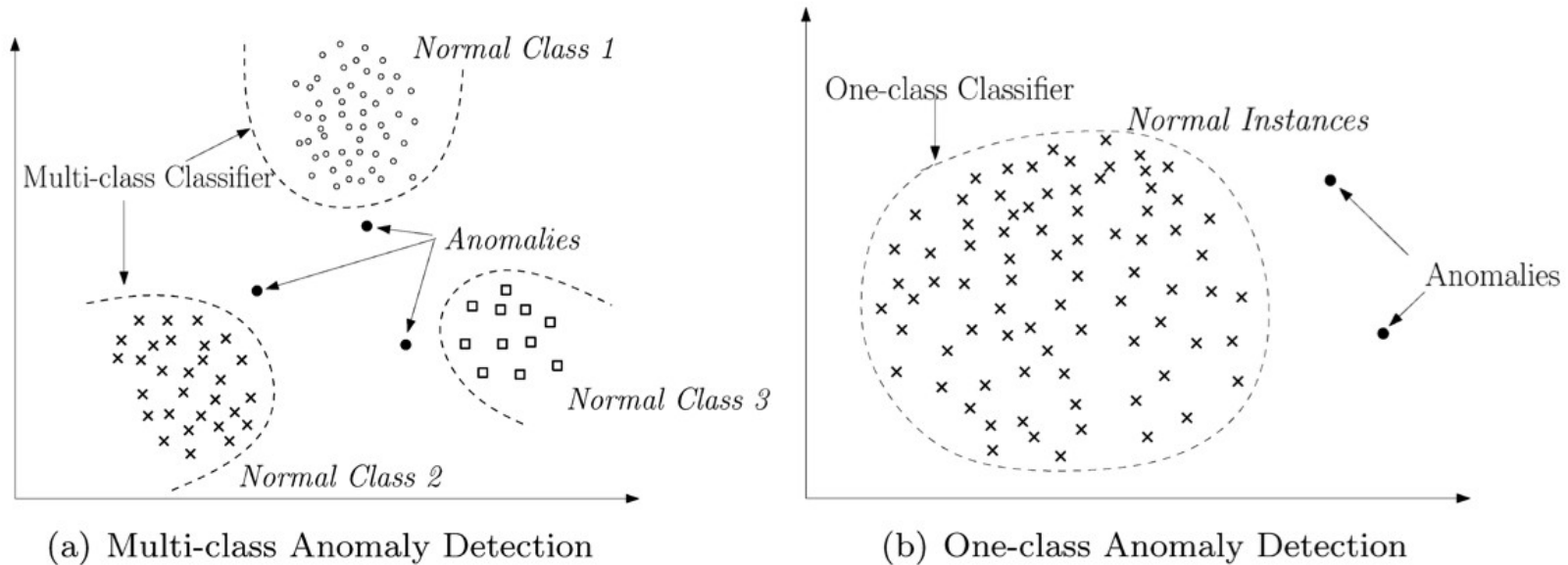
# Taxonomy\*



\* Outlier Detection – A Survey, Varun Chandola, Arindam Banerjee, and Vipin Kumar, Technical Report TR07-17, University of Minnesota

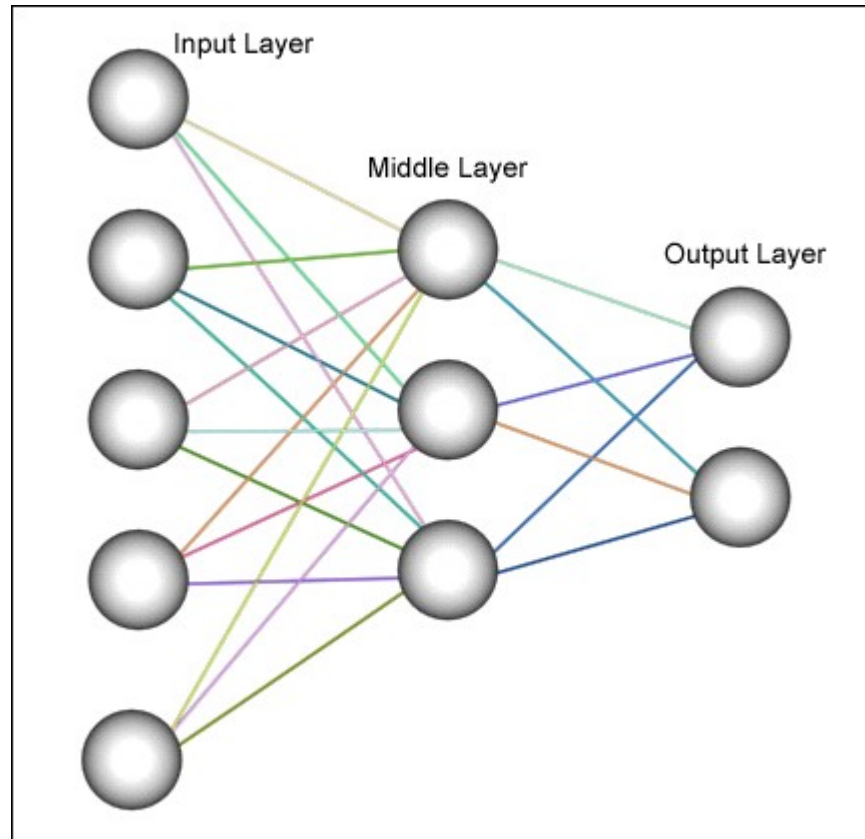


**Classification based** techniques learn a model on training data and classify test instances



- Neural Networks
- Rule Based
- SVM
- Bayesian
- Fuzzy Logic
- Genetic Algorithms

# Neural Networks



- Good when dealing with huge data sets and handles noisy data well
- Bad because learning takes a long time

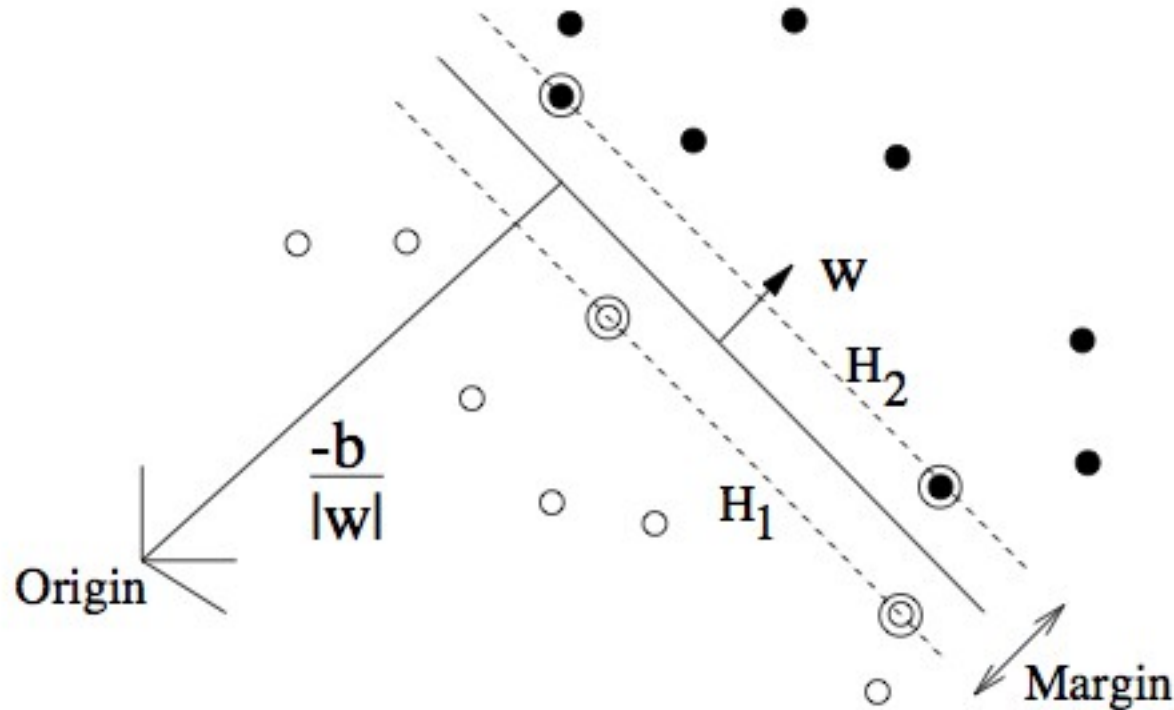
# Rule based – Misuse Detection

- Rule: Set of permissible actions (if classifying normal data) – categorical
- Approach
  - Learn rule from training data using algorithm: RIPPER, Decision trees
  - Rule has confidence value proportional to the number of training samples matched by the rule



# Support Vector Machines

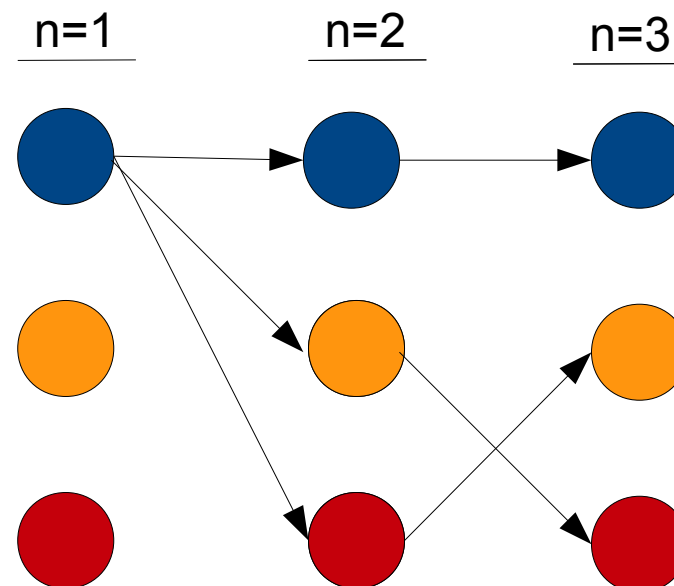
- Problem: Find hyperplane separating two classes of data instances



# Markov Chain

- Problem: Determine whether color of an object is anomalous

	Blue	Yellow	Red
Blue	.01	.75	.249
Yellow	.249	.01	.75
Red	.75	.249	.01







# Bayesian Networks Example

- Assume independence
- Infected milk example
- Hypothesis: infected
- Information Variable: positive
- Positive conditionally depends on infected
- Given output of information variable, calculate the a-posteriori probability of the hypothesis

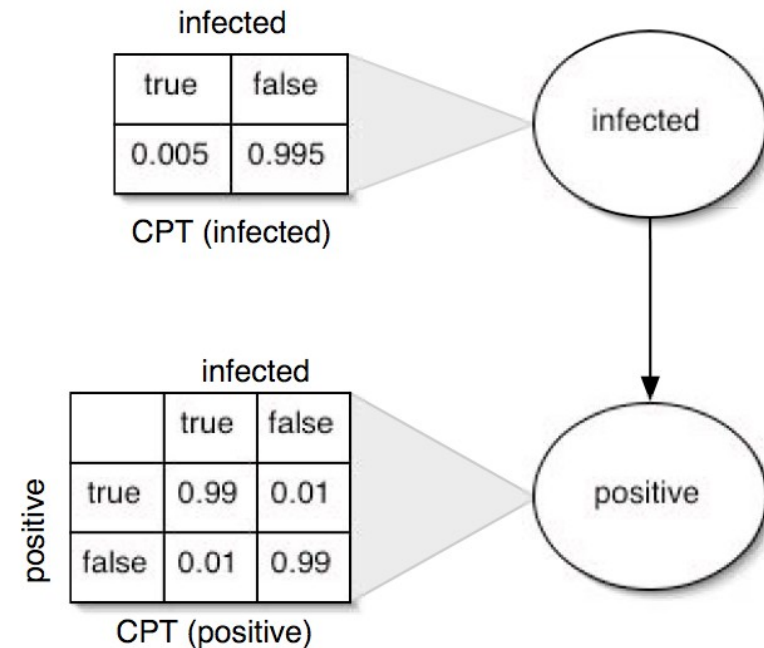


Figure 1. Bayesian Network and CPTs

Given [positive=1] A-posteriori Probability of Infection: 0.33



# Bayesian is great, but what if we do not know the conditional probabilities?

- Bayesian Decision Theory shows us how to design an optimal classifier if we know the prior probabilities  $P(\Omega_i)$  and the class-conditional densities  $P(\mathbf{X}|\Omega_i)$
- **Unfortunately**: we rarely have complete knowledge of these class-conditional probabilities
- **However**: we can often find training data that include particular representatives of the patterns we want to classify



# There are two general approaches to solving the problems with Bayesian decision theory

- **Parametric:** Assume some parametric form for the conditional densities and estimate its parameters using training data. Then use Bayesian decision rule to classify data instances
- **Non-Parametric:** Make no assumption of the underlying class-conditionals and estimate them completely from the training data.

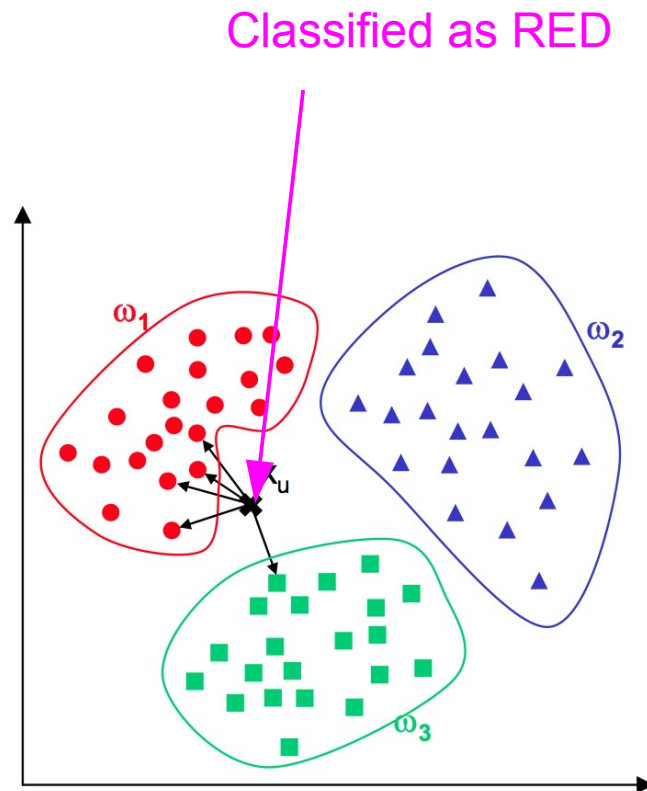


# Parametric: Statistics Based Techniques

- Advantage
  - Utilize existing statistical modeling techniques to model various type of distributions
- Challenges
  - With high dimensions, difficult to estimate distributions
  - Parametric assumptions often do not hold for real data sets



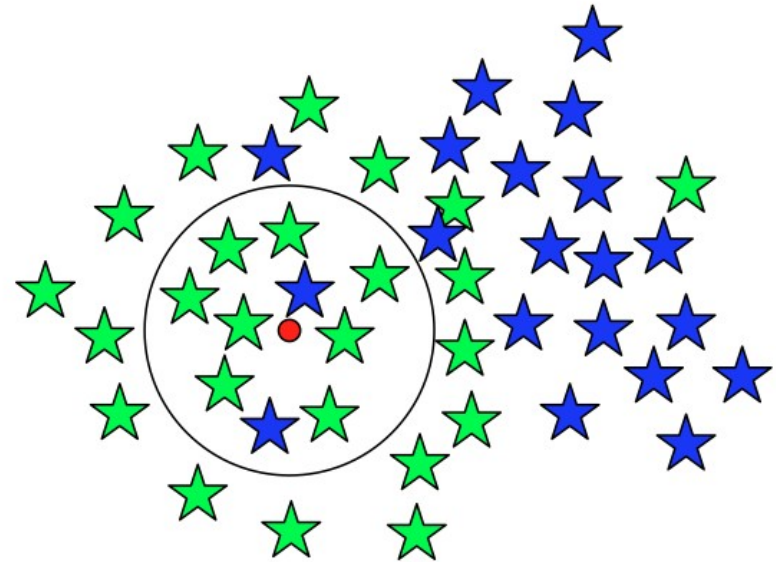
# Kth Nearest Neighbors Distance – Uses distance metric to classify



Distance: Generally Euclidean Distance

# Nearest Neighbor Density

- Estimate pdf of target function
- Frequentist notion

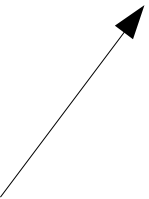


E.G. Local Outlier Factor

# Characteristics of the kth NN classifier

- Advantages

- Analytically tractable
- Simple implementation
- Nearly optimal in large sample limit
- Uses local information → highly adaptive
- Lends itself to parallel implementation

$$P(\text{error})_{\text{Bayes}} < P(\text{error})_{1\text{NN}} < 2p(\text{error})_{\text{Bayes}}$$


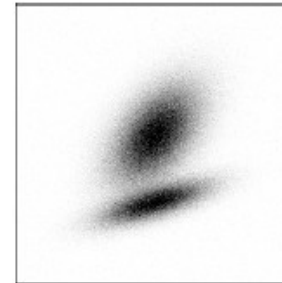
- Disadvantages

- Large storage requirements
- Computationally intensive recall
- Highly susceptible to curse of dimensionality

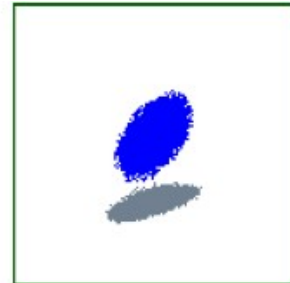


# Cluster Based: FindOut

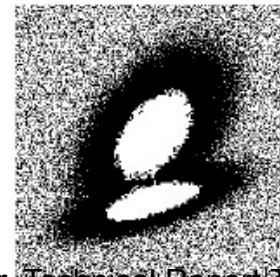
- FindOut algorithm\* by-product of *WaveCluster*
- Main idea: Remove the clusters from original data and then identify the outliers
- Transform data into multidimensional signals using wavelet transformation
  - High frequency of the signals correspond to regions where is the rapid change of distribution – boundaries of the clusters
  - Low frequency parts correspond to the regions where the data is concentrated
- Remove these high and low frequency parts and all remaining points will be outliers



a)



b)



\* D. Yu, G. Sheikholeslami, A. Zhang,  
FindOut: Finding Outliers in Very Large Datasets, 1999.

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# Clustering Based Techniques

- Advantages:
  - No need to be supervised
  - Easily adaptable to on-line / incremental mode suitable for anomaly detection from temporal data
- Drawbacks
  - Computationally expensive
    - Using indexing structures (k-d tree, R\* tree) may alleviate this problem
  - If normal points do not create any clusters the techniques may fail
  - In high dimensional spaces, data is sparse and distances between any two data records may become quite similar.
    - Clustering algorithms may not give any meaningful clusters



# Many Many Many More...

- Fuzzy Logic
- Genetic Algorithms
- Principle Component Analysis
- ARIMA
- EWMA
- HOLT-Winters
- FFT

