Confusion Matrix

1. Focus on the names:

- a. True: Correct prediction (the model's guess was right)
- b. False: Incorrect prediction (the model's guess was wrong)
- c. Positive: Positive class (for example, "5")
- d. Negative: Negative class (for example, "not 5")

2. Create a simple scenario

- a. True Positive: You correctly identified as 5 as a 5.
- b. True Positive: You correctly identified a non-5 as not 5.
- c. False Positive: You incorrectly identified a non-5 as a 5. (a false alarm)
- d. False Negative: You incorrectly identified a 5 as not 5. (you missed it).

3. Use a story:

Create a little story to remember:

- True Positive: "I saw a 5 and correctly called as a 5."
- False Positive: "I mistook something that wasn't a 5 for a 5." (You saw something that wasn't there, a positive mistake)
- True Negative: "I saw something that wasn't a 5 and correctly said it wasn't")
- False Negative: "I missed a 5 and said it wasn't a 5." (You missed something that was there, a negative mistake.)

4. Visualize:

Create a mini table and repeatedly write down the meanings of each cell. For example:

| | Predicted O | Predicted 1 |
|----------|----------------|----------------|
| Actual O | True Negative | False Positive |
| Actual 1 | False Negative | True Positive |

- 1. One-Versus-the-Rest (OvR):
 - a. How does it work?
 - i. You train a separate model for each digit. For example, "Is it 0 or something else?"
 - b. What does it do?
 - i. You create 10 different models (each trying to recognize one digit)
 - c. How is the result found?
 - To classify an image, you get results from all models and choose the digit with the highest score.
 - d. Example:
 - i. A O detector, a 1 detector, a 2 detector, ... and so on.
- 2. One-Versus-One (OvO):
 - a. How does it work?
 - i. You train a model for every pair of digits. For example, "Is it 0 or 1?", "0 or 2?", etc.
 - b. What does it do?
 - i. If there are 10 classes (0-9), you train 45 different models (one for each digit pair).
 - c. How is the result found?
 - To classify an image, you run it through all 45 models, and the digit that wins the most 'duels' is chosen as the result.
 - d. Example:
 - A model to separate 0 and 1, another model for 1 and 2 ... and so on.

Main differences

- OvR: You train fewer models (10 total), but each model uses the entire dataset.
- OvO: You train many models (45 total), but each model only needs to distinguish two digits.

When is each strategy preferred?

- If your algorithm slows down with large datasets, you might prefer OvO because it works with smaller subsets of the data.
- Usually, OvR is preferred because it requires fewer models to be trained.

In summary, both strategies provide different ways of classifying digits. OvR separates each class one at a time, while OvO compares each pair of classes.