Selecting Your Algorithm

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Machine Learning Workflow

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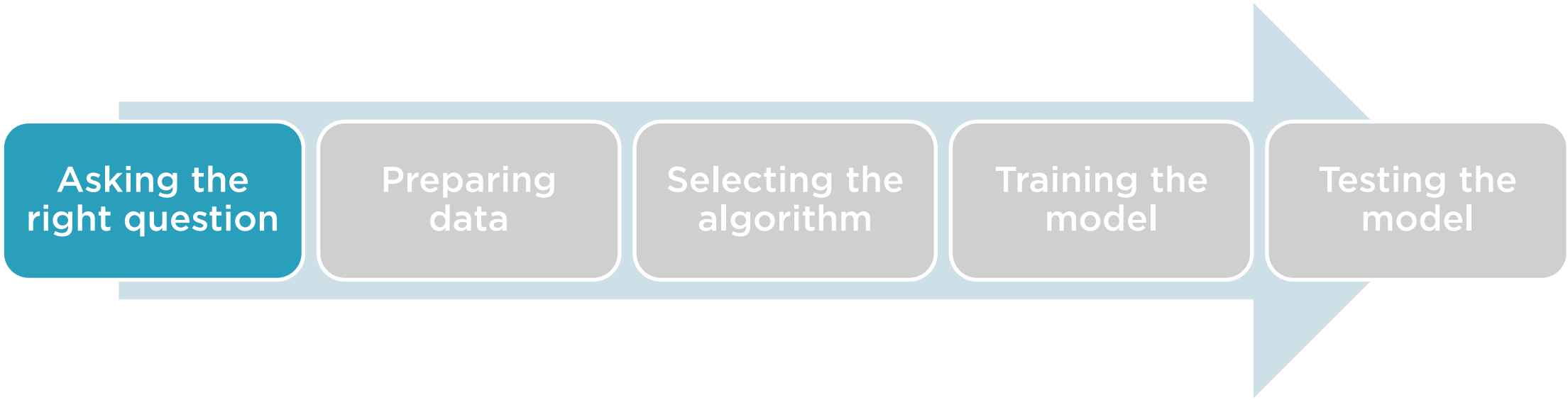

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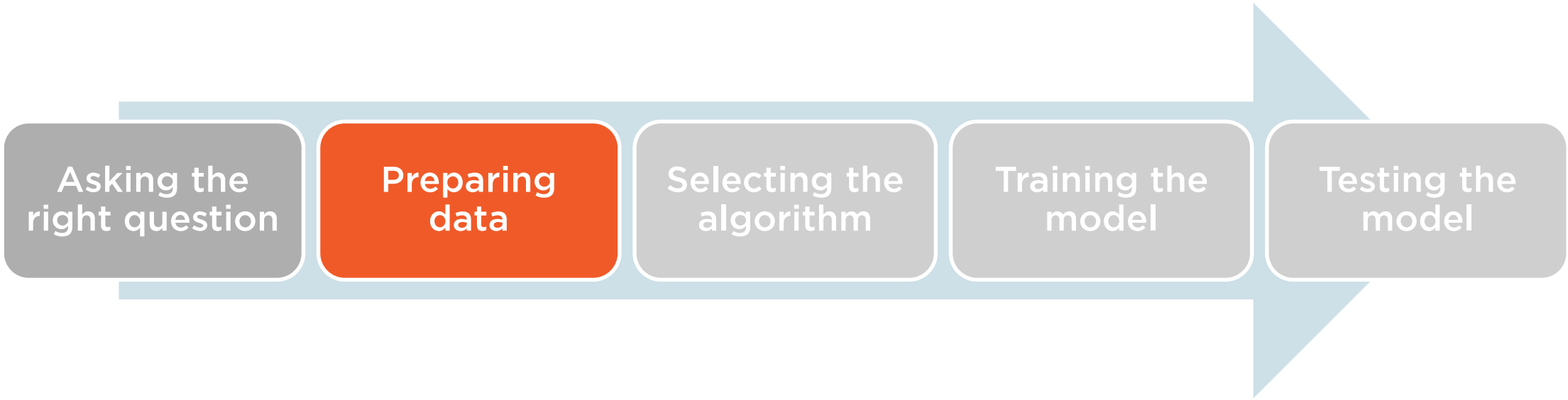

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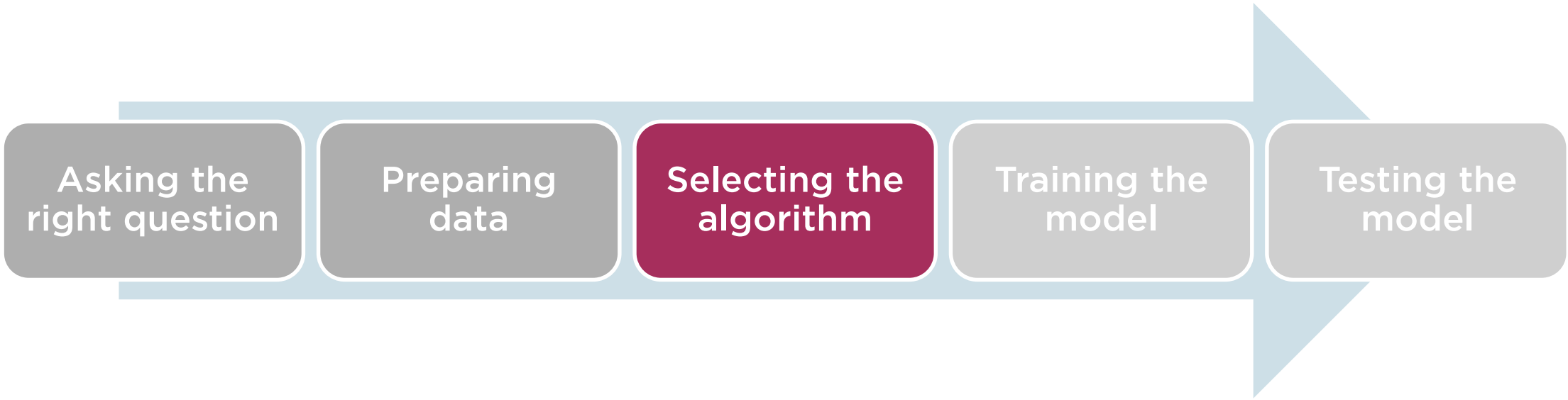

Overview

Role of algorithm

Perform algorithm selection

- Use solution statement to filter algorithms
- Discuss best algorithms
- Select one initial algorithm

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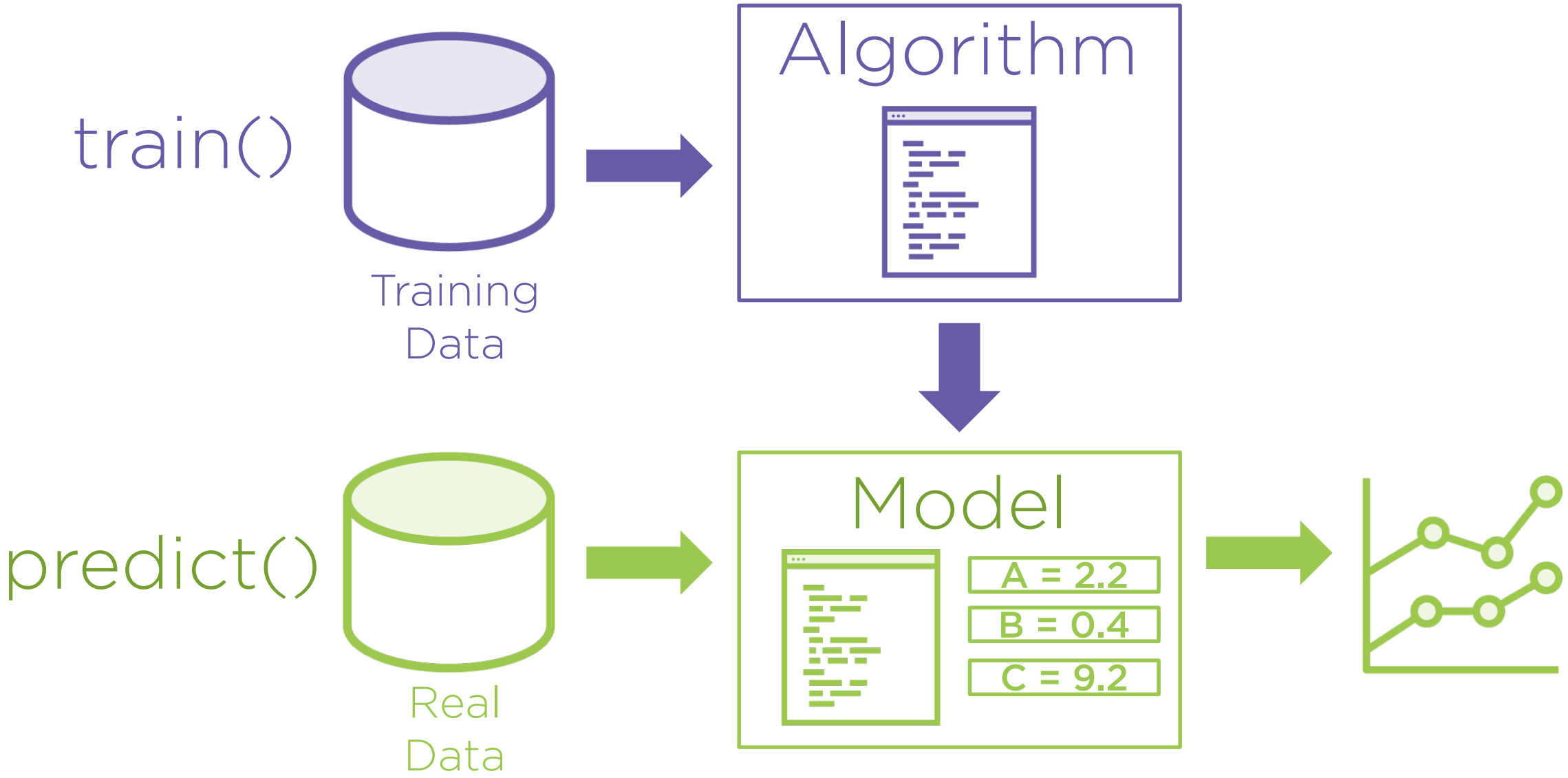

Over 50 algorithms

Algorithm Selection

Compare factors

Difference of opinions about which factors are important

You will develop your own factors

Algorithm Decision Factors

Learning Type

Result

Complexity

Basic vs Enhanced

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Prediction Model => Supervised machine learning

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Result Type

Regression

- Continuous values
- price = A * # bedroom
  + B * size
  + ...

Classification

- Discrete values
- small, medium, large
- 1-100, 101-200, 201-300
- true or false

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Binary (TRUE/FALSE)

Algorithm must support classification

- Binary classification

Over ~~50~~ ~~28~~ 20 algorithms

Complexity

Keep it Simple

Eliminate “ensemble” algorithms

- Container algorithm
- Multiple child algorithms
- Boost performance
- Can be difficult to debug

Over ~~50~~ ~~28~~ ~~20~~ 14 algorithms

Enhanced vs. Basic

Enhanced

- Variation of Basic
- Performance improvements
- Additional functionality
- More complex

Basic

- Simpler
- Easier to understand

Candidate Algorithms

Naive Bayes

Logistic Regression

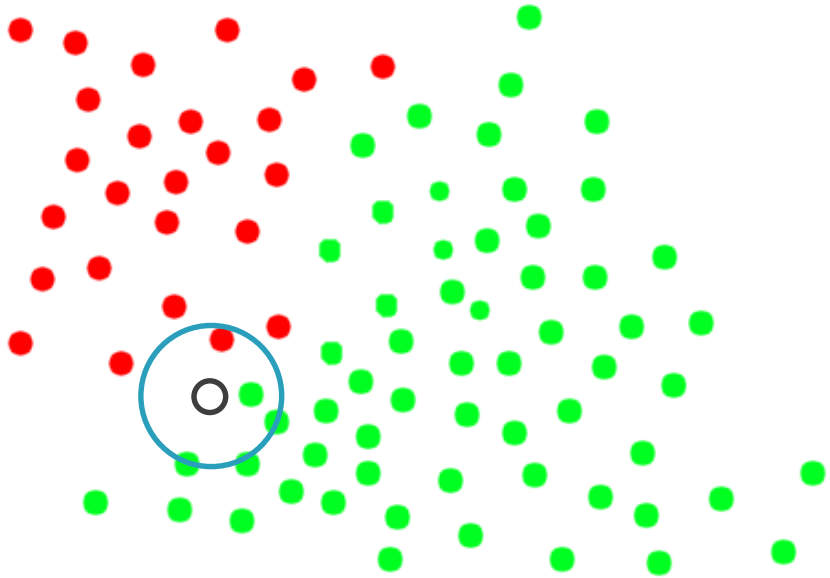
Decision Tree

Naive Bayes

Based on likelihood and probability

Every feature has the same weight

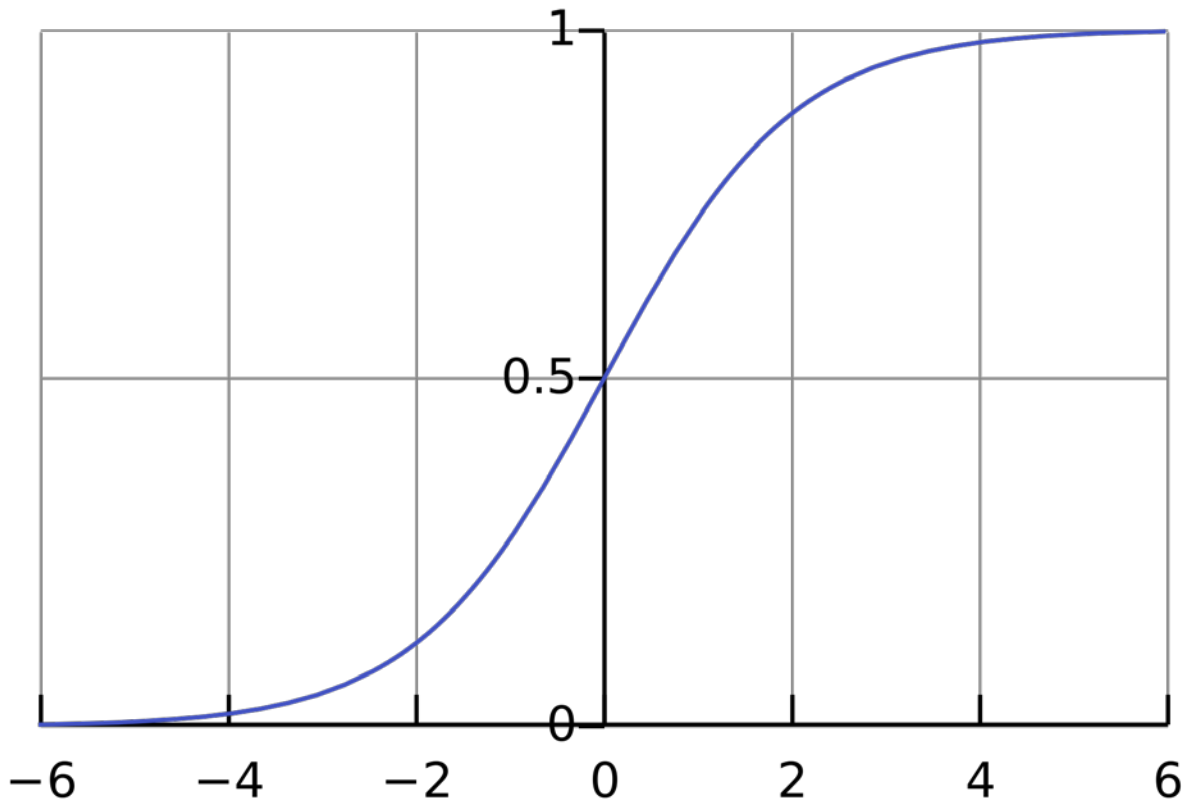
Requires smaller amount of data



Logistic Regression

Confusing name, binary result

Relationship between features are weighted



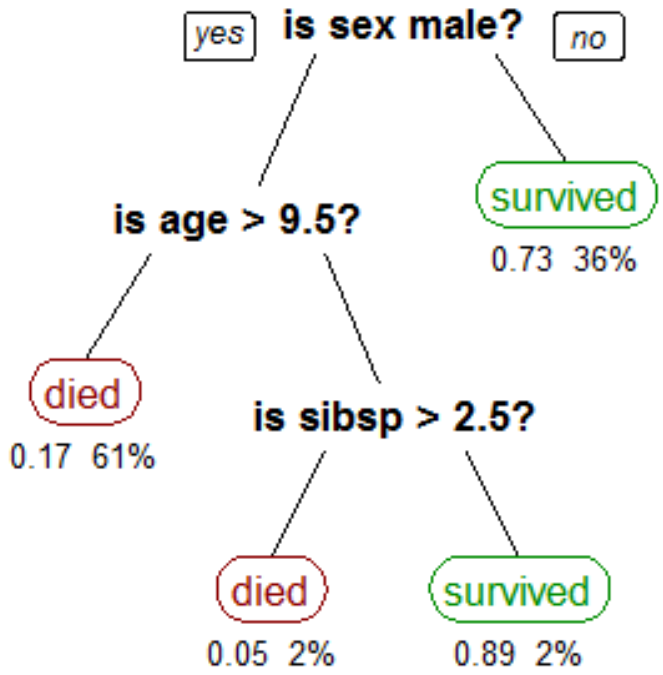
Decision Tree

Binary Tree

Node contains decision

Requires enough data to determine nodes and splits

Titanic Survival



Selected Algorithm

Logistic Regression

Simple - easy to understand

Fast – up to 100X faster

Stable to data changes

Summary

Lots of algorithms available

Selection based on

- Learning = Supervised
- Result = Binary classification
- Non-ensemble
- Basic

Logistic Regression selected for training

- Simple, fast, and stable