

# Home Assistant Sonar

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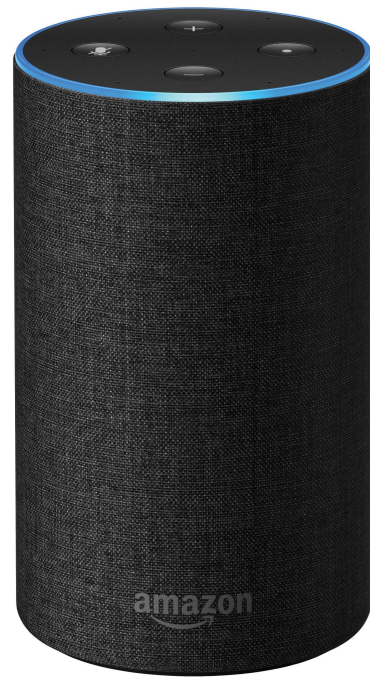
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# Introduction



**OK Google**

**Alexa**



Adversarial attacks on smart speakers  
abuse programmed “hot word” and  
active microphone

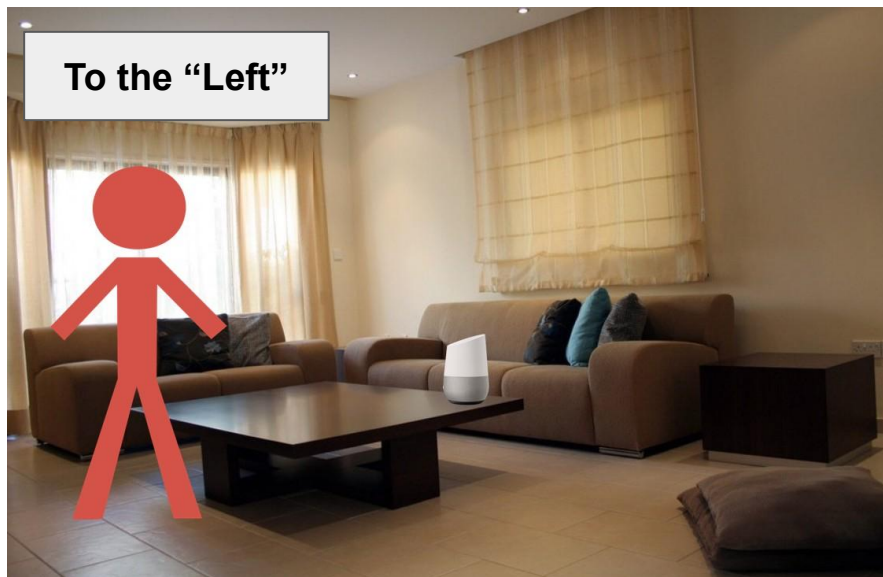
# Problem Statement (1)

- Case 1: Binary
  - Identify whether or not human is present in room



# Problem Statement (2)

- Case 2: Multi-Class
  - Identify human's location in room, with respect to smart speaker
  - In “front”, “behind”, to the “right”, or to the “left”



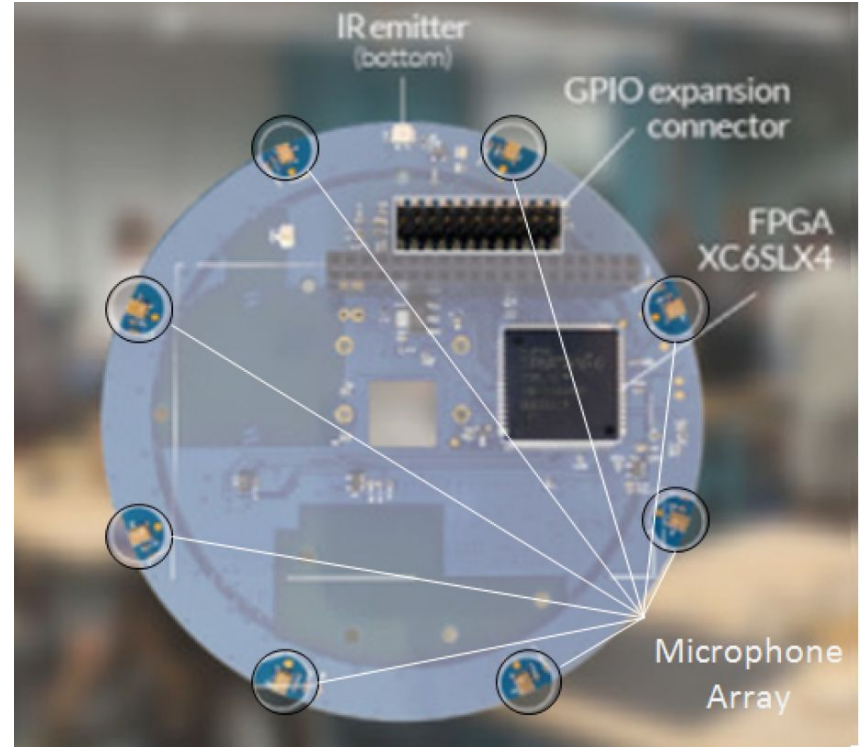
# Prior Work

- EchoSafe
  - Detect user presence
  - Using 1 kHz sonar
  - Binary Random Forest (RF) classifier
  - Feature selection using Relief-F algorithm
  - Achieved 93.13% accuracy
- Automatic Speaker Verification (ASV)
  - Voice fingerprinting
- Audio beamforming
  - Get angle of incoming sound with multiple microphones

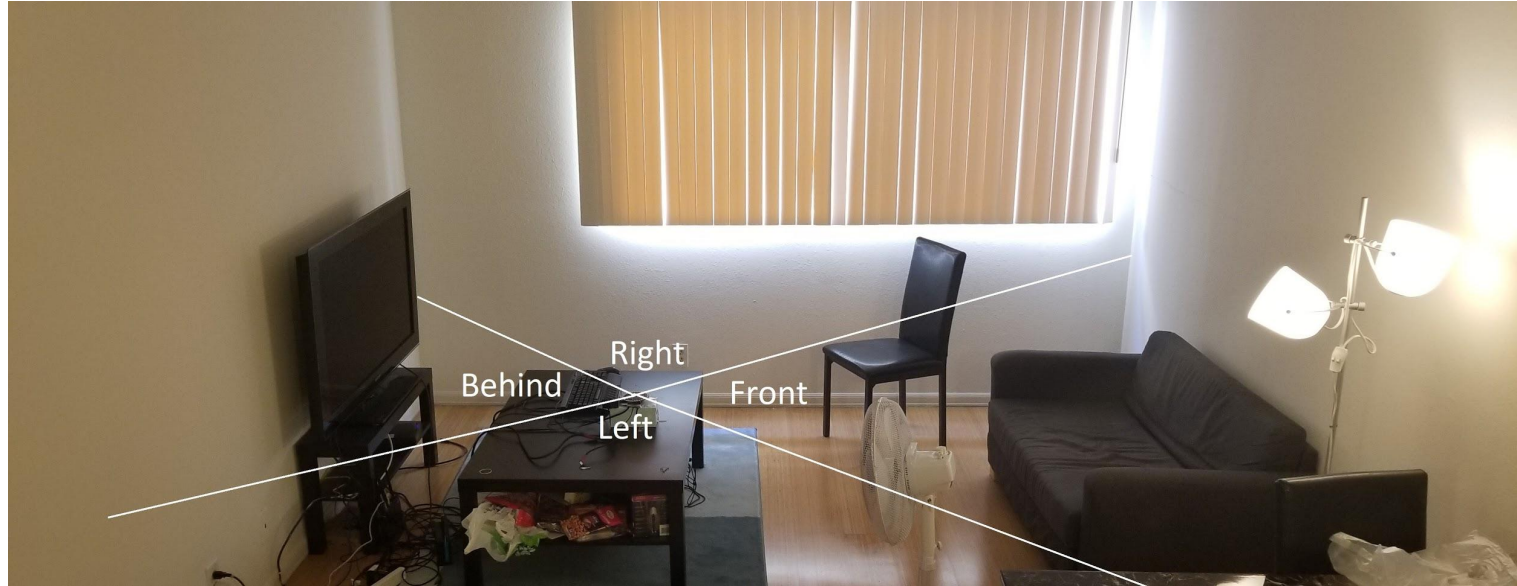


# Technical Approach: Data Collection (1)

- Matrix Creator
  - Open source home assistant
  - Eight-microphone array
  - 20 Hz to 20 kHz, beamforming
  - FPGA
- Raspberry Pi 3
  - Connects to Matrix Creator via GPIO
  - Used for data collection



## Technical Approach: Data Collection (2)



- Data was collected from a living room with the Matrix Creator set up in the center
- Data was labelled according to the picture

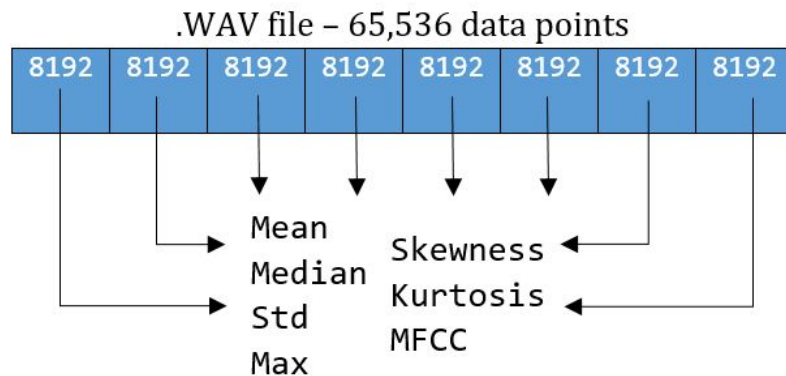
# Technical Approach: Data Collection (3)

Frequency of Tone	Subject Position	# of trials	Label (Binary Label)
1 kHz	No subject	455	0 (0)
	Front (couch-side)	400	1 (1)
	Behind (TV-side)	100	2 (1)
	Right (window-side)	200	3 (1)
	Left (front door-side)	200	4 (1)
20 kHz	No subject	210	0
	Front (couch-side)	200	1
100 Hz	No subject	210	0
	Front (couch-side)	210	1
1 kHz	Moving counterclockwise	100	1
	Moving clockwise	100	2



# Technical Approach: Feature Extraction

- Each trial generates nine 4-second .WAV files
  - One for each mic (8) and one beamformed
  - 65,536 data points per file
- Each file was split into 8 non-overlapping windows
- For each window, features were extracted:
  - Mean, median, standard deviation, max, skewness, kurtosis, 70 MFCCs
  - MFCCs capture features of the frequency spectrum



# Analysis and Results: Feature Selection

## Setup:

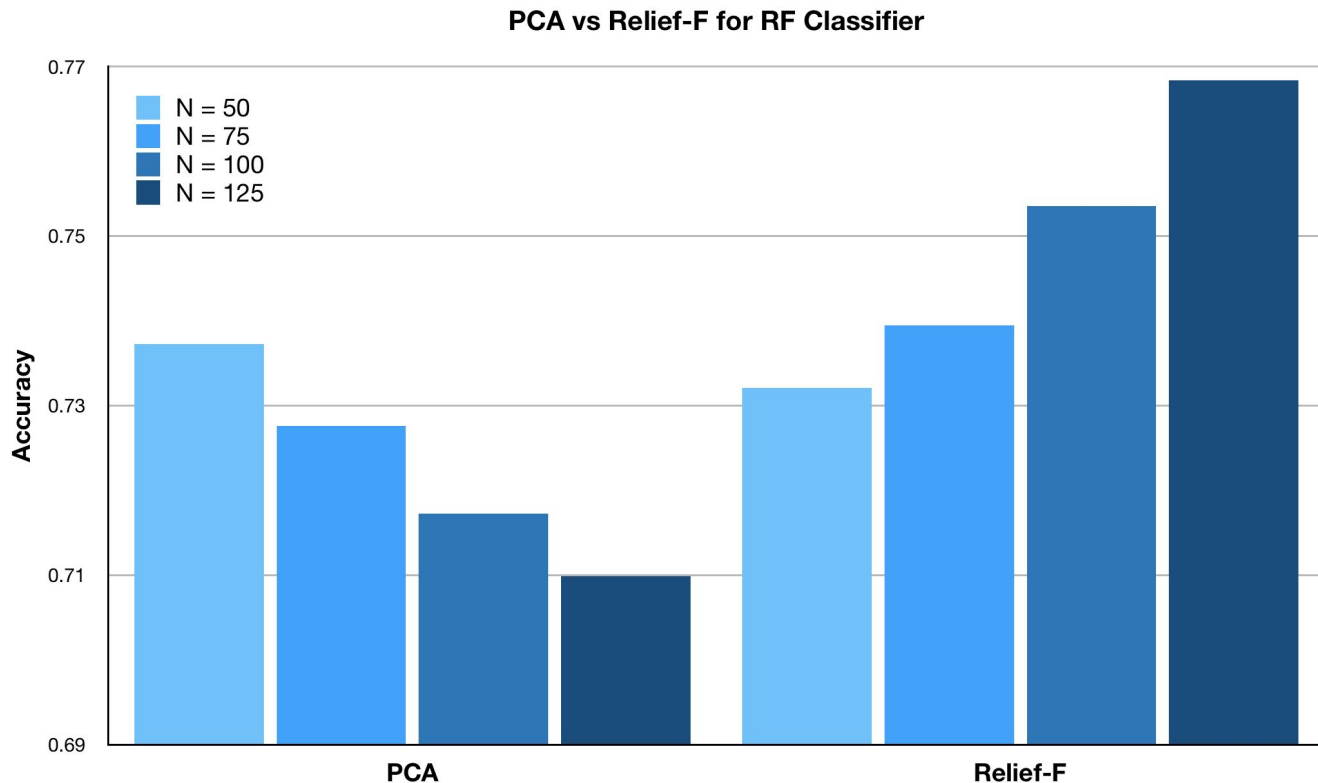
- PCA vs Relief-F
- Binary Random Forest (RF) classifier
- Vary N features

## Results:

- Relief-F obtained overall higher accuracies than PCA

## Conclusion:

- Use Relief-F for feature selection



# Analysis and Results: ML Classification (1)

## Setup:

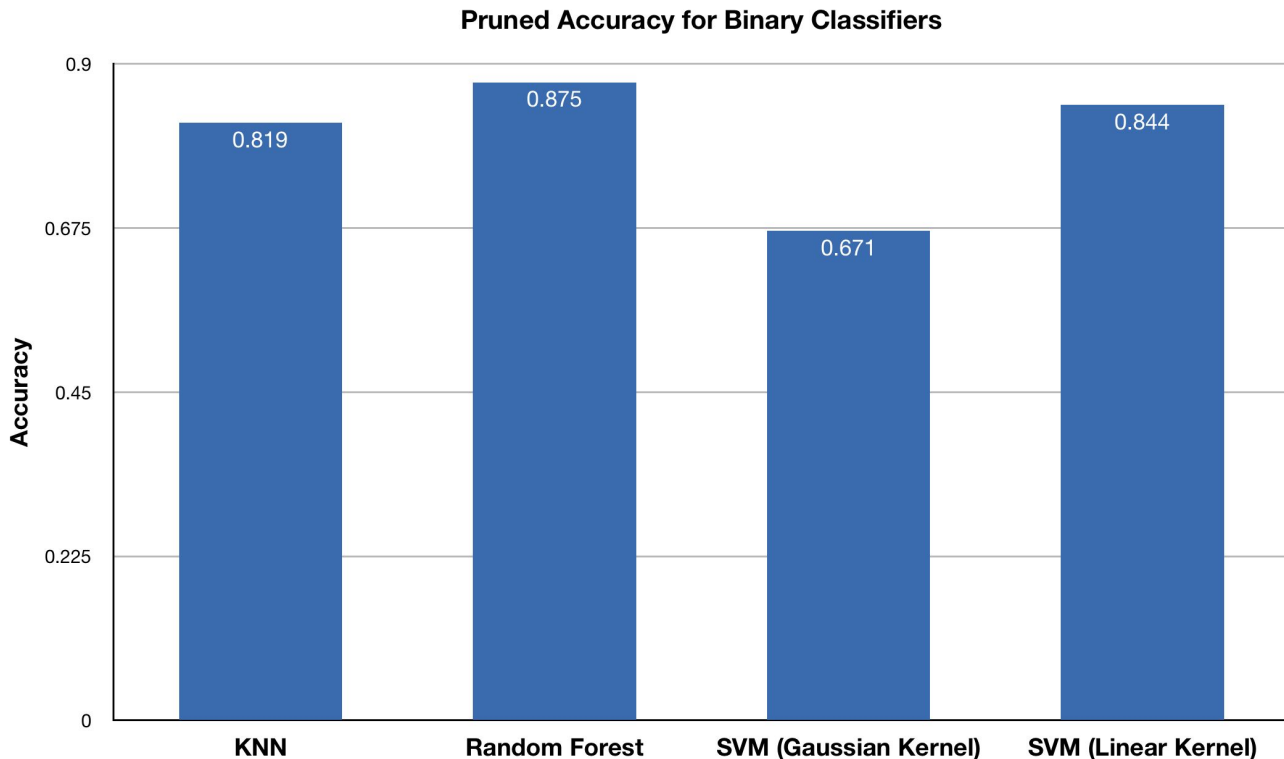
- Binary classifiers
- N = 125 features
- Pruned w/ Relief-F

## Results:

- Cross-validation accuracies for KNN, RF, KNN, SVM (Gaussian/Linear)

## Conclusion:

- Top 3: RF, KNN, SVM (Linear)



# Analysis and Results: ML Classification (2)

## Setup:

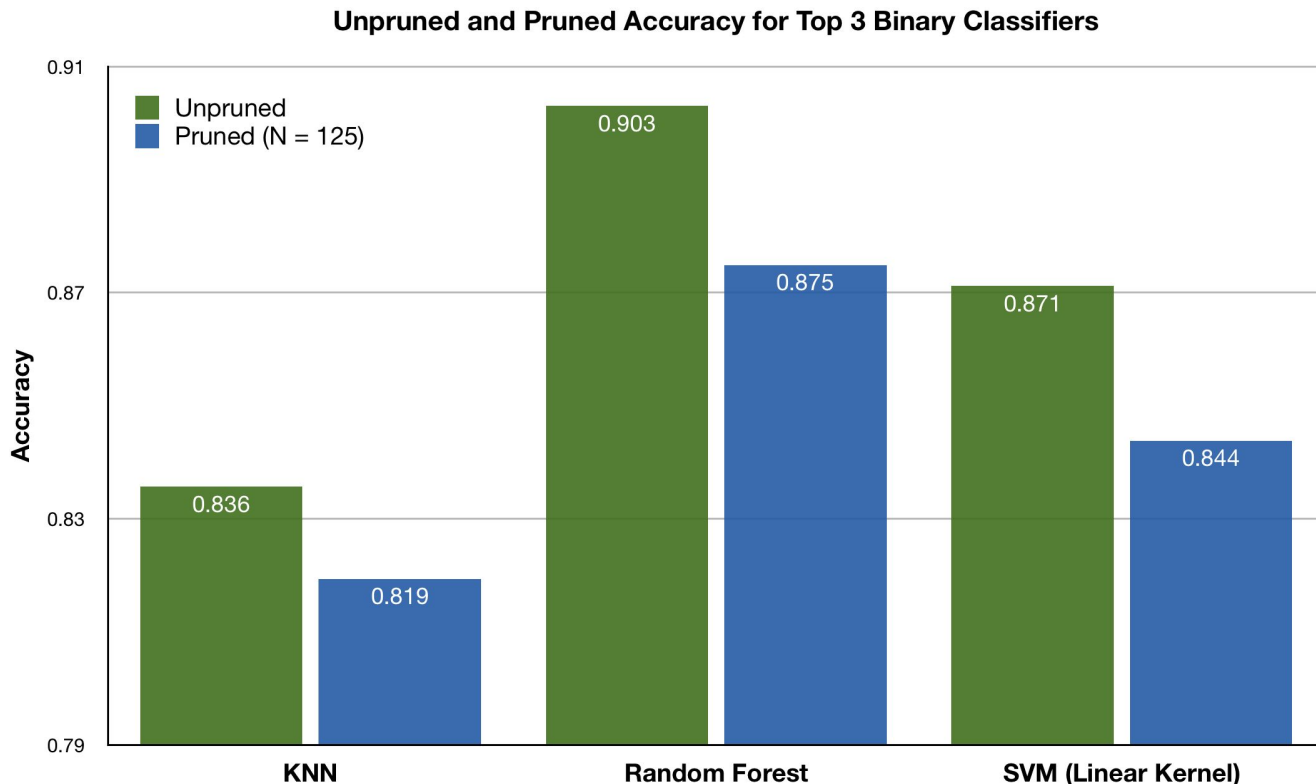
- Top 3 binary
- Unpruned (N = 5462 features)
- Pruned (N = 125)

## Results:

- Compare unpruned & pruned accuracy

## Conclusion:

- Use binary RF for best cross-validation accuracy



# Analysis and Results: ML Classification (3)

## Setup:

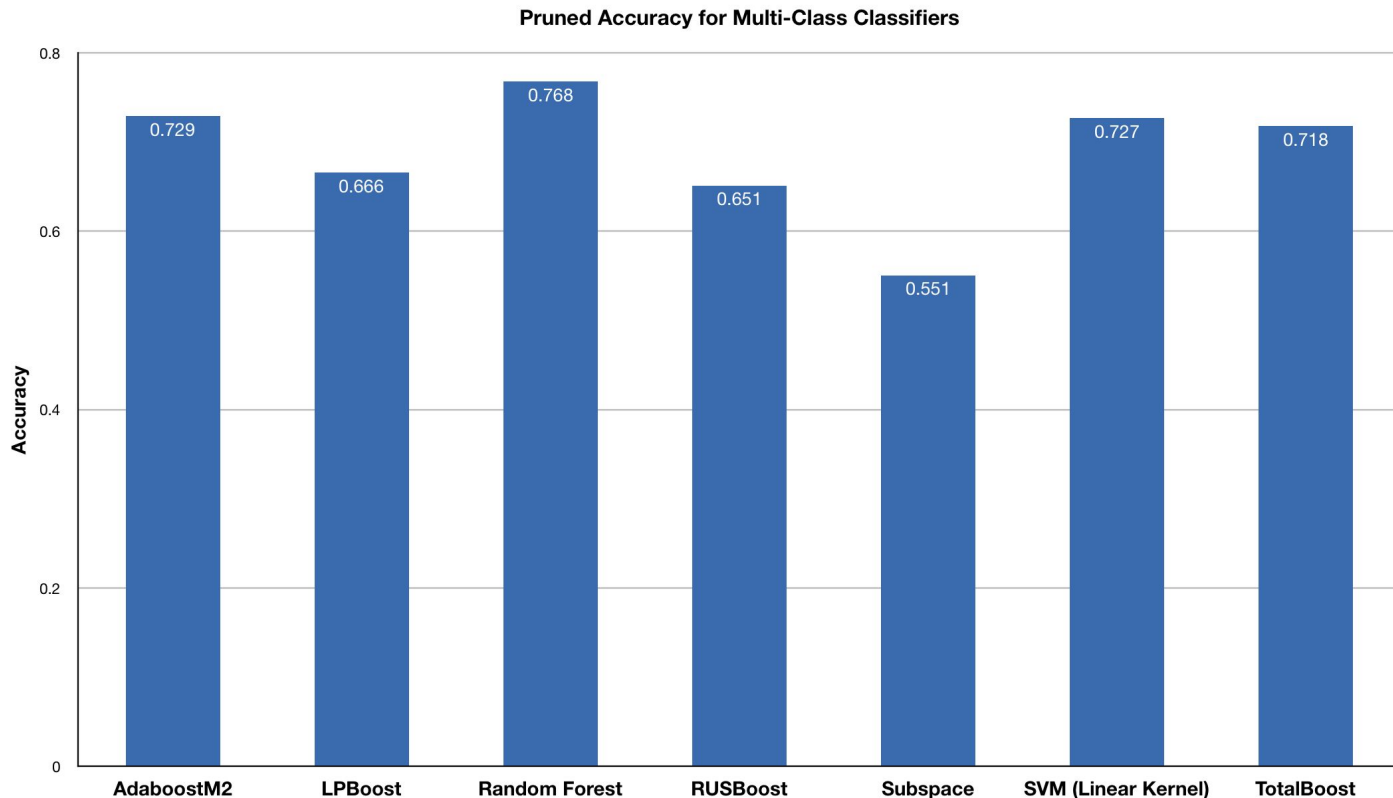
- N = 125 features
- Pruned w/  
Relief-F

## Results:

- Cross-validation accuracies

## Conclusion:

- Top 3: RF, AdaboostM2, SVM (Linear)



# Analysis and Results: ML Classification (4)

## Setup:

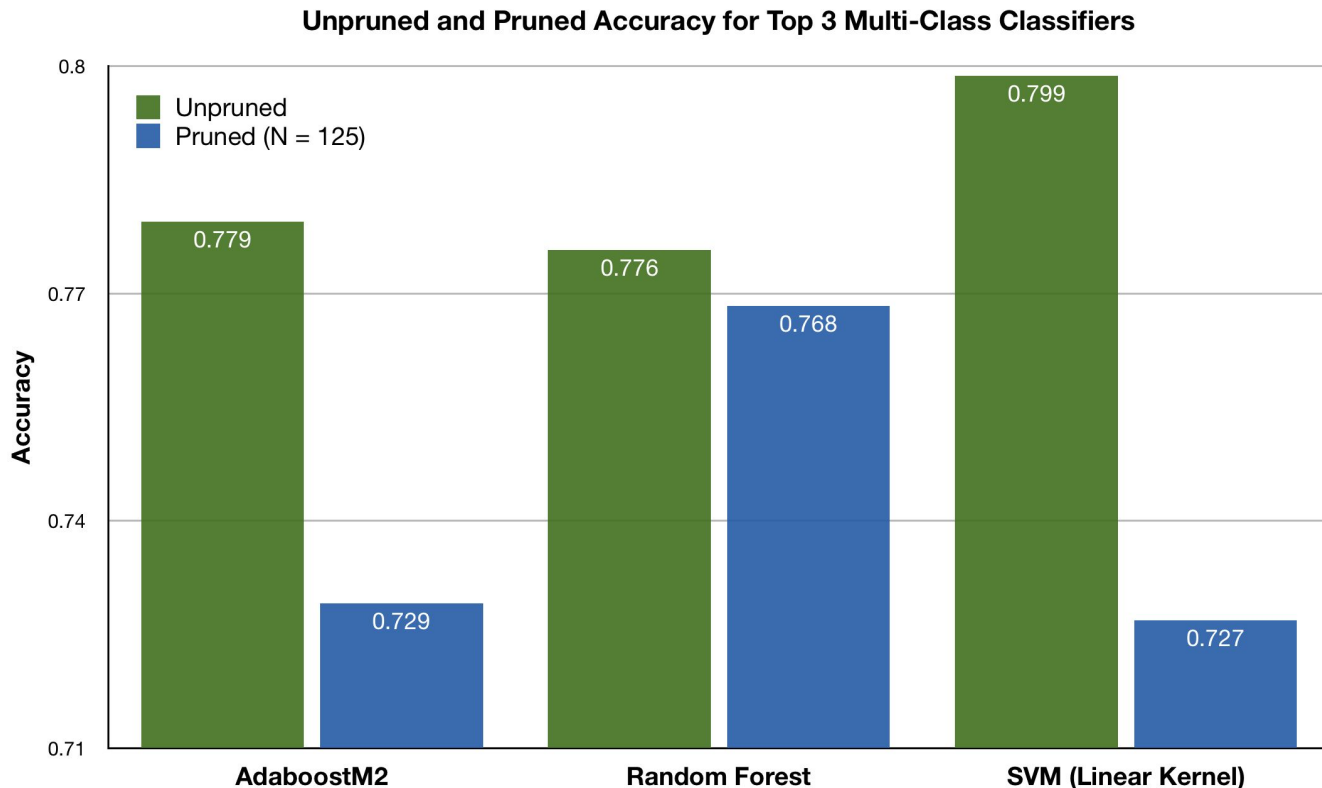
- Top 3 multi-class
- Unpruned (N = 5462 features)
- Pruned (N = 125)

## Results:

- Compare unpruned & pruned accuracy

## Conclusion:

- Use multi-class RF for most robust cross-validation accuracy



# Analysis and Results: Frequency

## Setup:

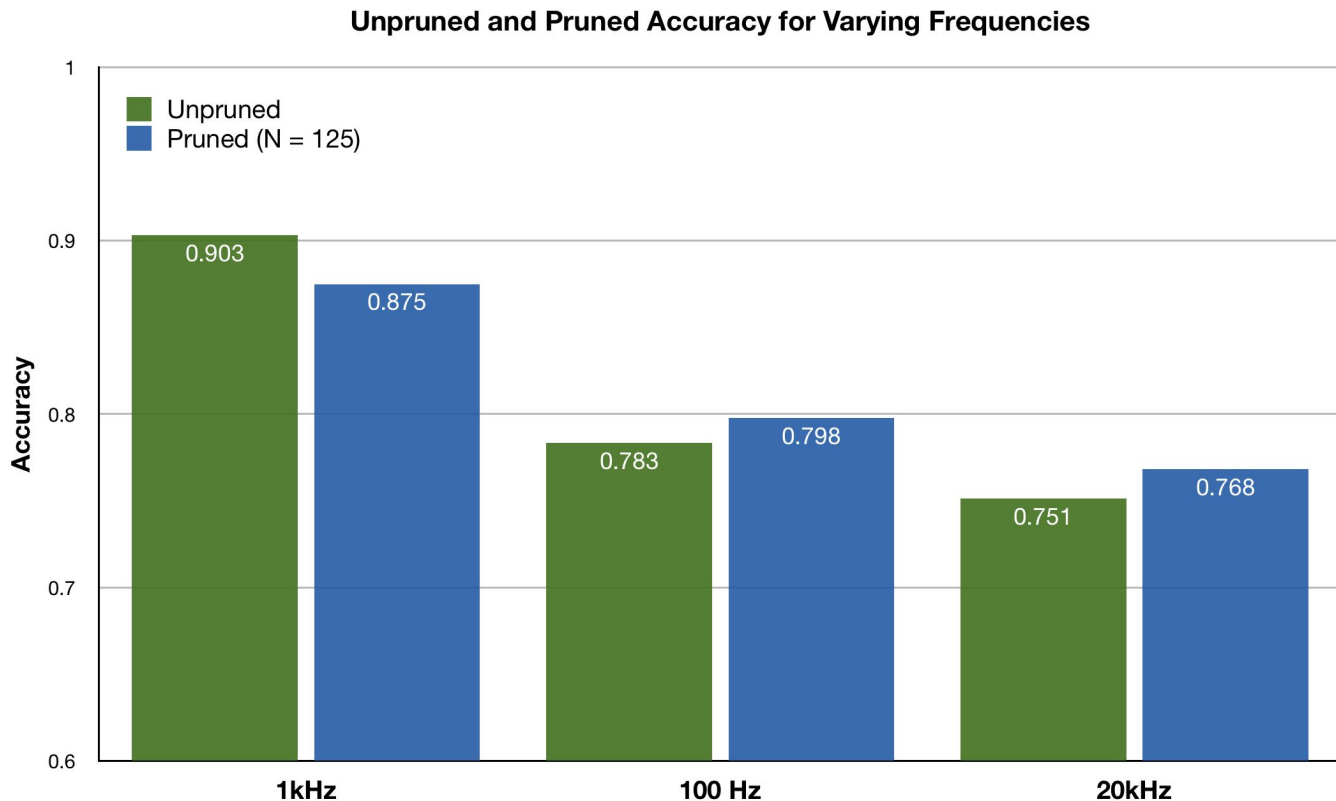
- 3 frequencies
- Unpruned
- Pruned (N = 125)

## Results:

- Compare unpruned & pruned accuracy

## Conclusion:

- Use 1 kHz
- 100 Hz and 20 kHz usable



# Analysis and Results: Movement

## Setup:

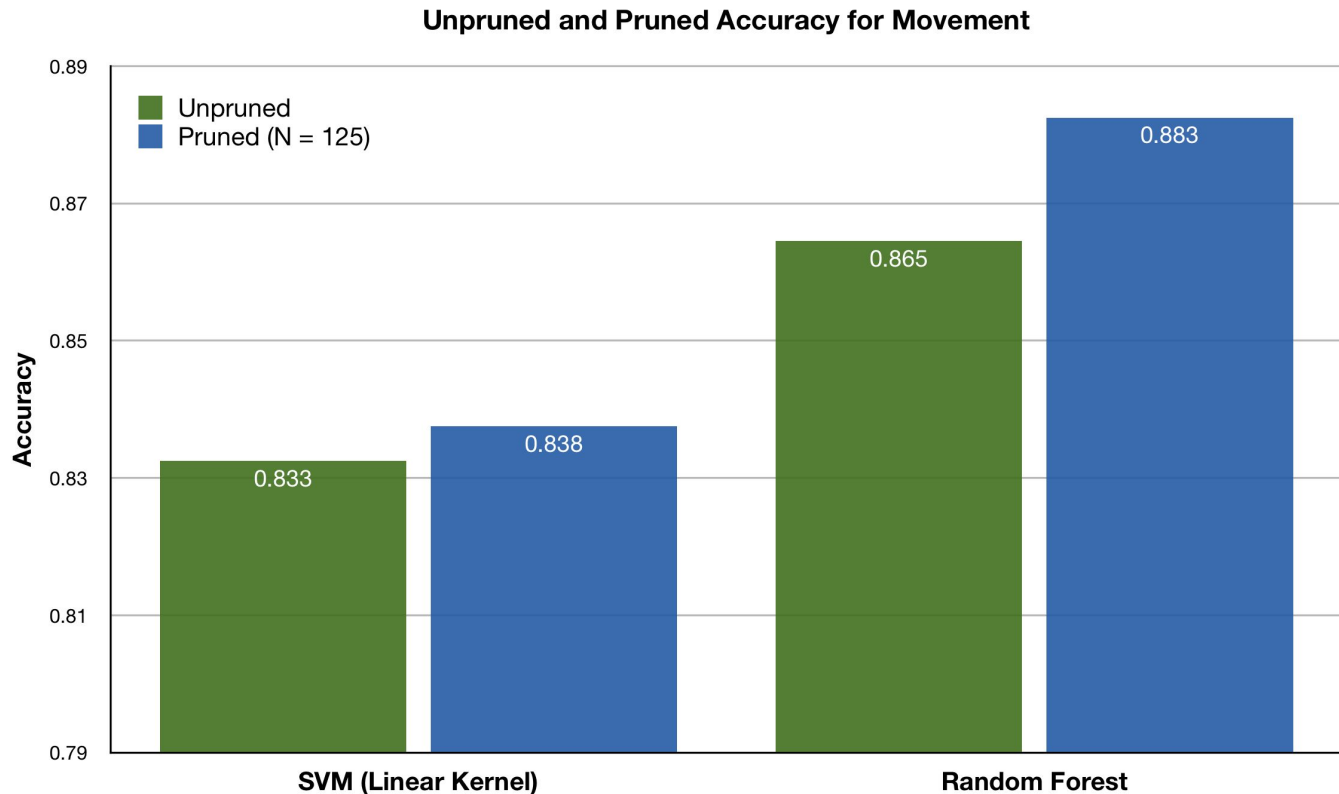
- Multi-class SVM and RF classifiers
- Unpruned
- Pruned (N = 125)

## Results:

- Compare unpruned & pruned accuracy

## Conclusion:

- Accuracy doesn't seem bad, but...





# Analysis and Results: Movement Confusion Matrix

		Predicted class		
		Stationary (Label 0)	CCW (label 1)	CW (label 2)
True class	Stationary (label 0)	200	0	0
	CCW (label 1)	0	78	22
	CW (label 2)	0	30	70

- Confusion matrix shows that only moving data was misclassified
- Classification accuracy of just moving data is 74%, not as good
- Need more data!

# Analysis and Results: Cost Matrix (1)

- Worst case scenario
  - Predict human present (predicted label = 1)
  - Room actually empty (true label = 0)
- Cost matrix
  - Row  $\rightarrow$  True class
  - Column  $\rightarrow$  Predicted class
  - Default:  $a = 1, b = 1$
- Weighted misclassification, given worst case
  - Keep  $b = 1$
  - Increase  $a = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$Cost = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

		Predicted class	
		Label 0	Label 1
True class	Label 0	348	103
	Label 1	69	831

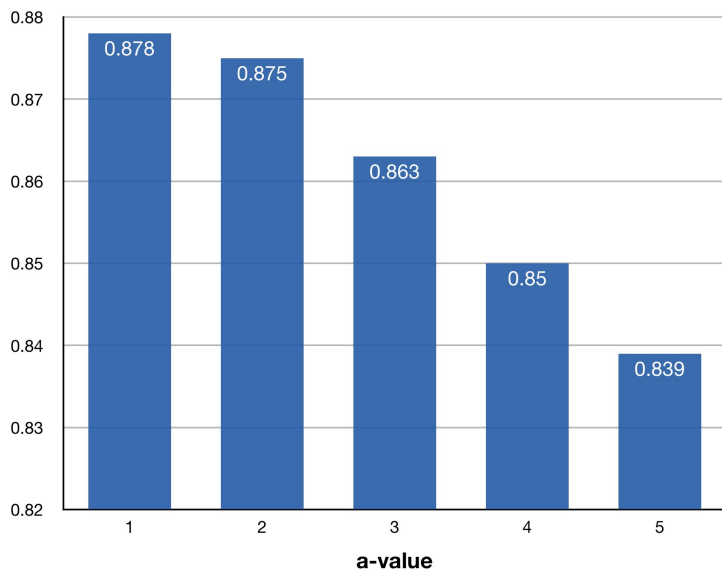
Confusion matrix for  $a = 1, b = 1$  (default)

# Analysis and Results: Cost Matrix (2)

- Conclusion

- Use  $a = 3$  to minimize both worst-case misclassification and accuracy loss

Accuracy with Increasing a-value



		Predicted class	
		Label 0	Label 1
True class	Label 0	348	103
	Label 1	69	831

		Predicted class	
		Label 0	Label 1
True class	Label 0	382	69
	Label 1	106	794

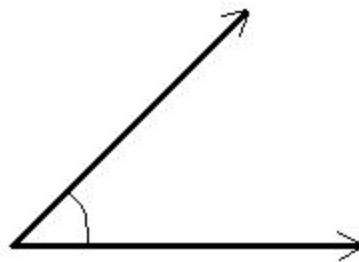
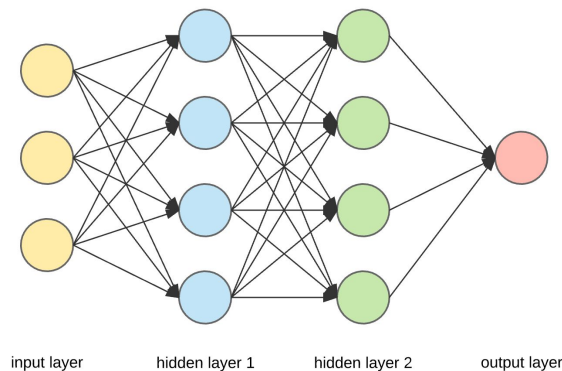
		Predicted class	
		Label 0	Label 1
True class	Label 0	403	43
	Label 1	154	746

		Predicted Class	
		Label 0	Label 1
True Class	Label 0	392	59
	Label 1	138	762

		Predicted Class	
		Label 0	Label 1
True Class	Label 0	407	44
	Label 1	187	713

# Future Directions

- Improvements to multi-class classifier
  - More data
  - More effective classifier (e.g. neural network)
  - More features
  - Better hardware
  - Different frequencies (e.g. ultrasonic)
- Extension of multi-class classifier
  - More classes, currently detects quadrants (i.e. 90 degree slices)
  - Extend to octets (i.e. 45 degree slices)
  - Exact angle via regression problem
- Protect against attacks using angle



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