Introduction to Machine Learning Measures of Accuracy

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Finally

$$E_D\left(\left(\left(g\left(\boldsymbol{x}|\mathcal{D}\right) - E_D\left[g\left(\boldsymbol{x}|\mathcal{D}\right)\right]\right)\right)\left(E_D\left[g\left(\boldsymbol{x}|\mathcal{D}\right)\right] - E\left[y|\boldsymbol{x}\right]\right)\right) = ?$$
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Sampling the Space

Imagine that $\mathcal{D} \subset [x_1, x_2]$ in which x lies

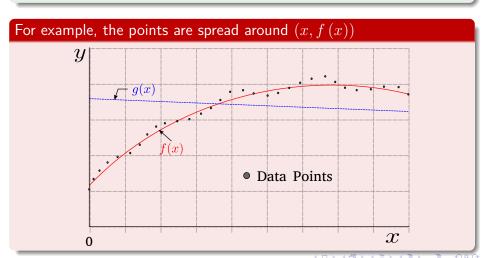
For example, you can choose $x_i=x_1+\frac{x_2-x_1}{N-1}\,(i-1)$ with i=1,2,...,N

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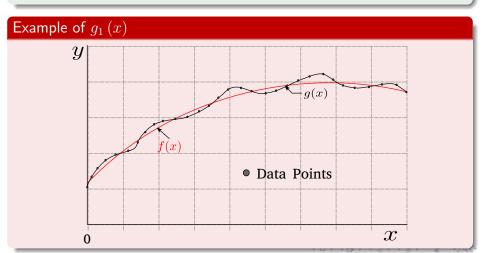
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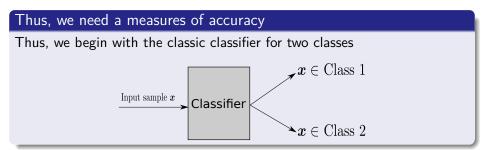
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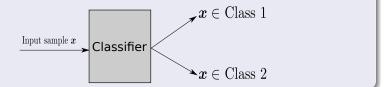
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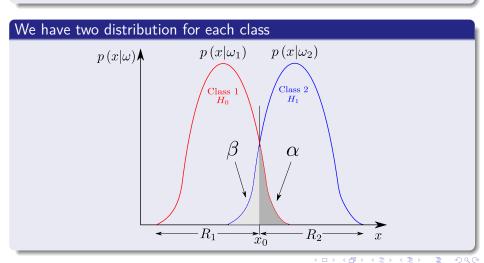
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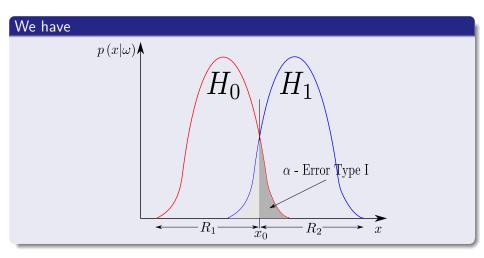
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This can be seen as a table

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	Table of error types		True H_0 , False H_1	False H_0 , True H_1
	Decisions	Reject H_1	Correct Inference	Type I Error - α
			True Positive	False Positive
		Reject H_0	Type II Error - β	Correct Inference
			False Negative	True Negative

In the case of two classes, we have

We have finally the Confusion Matrix							
		Actual Class					
		Positive	Negative				
Predicted	Positive	True Positive (TP)	False Positives (FP)				
Classes	Negative	False Negatives (FN)	True Negatives (TN)				

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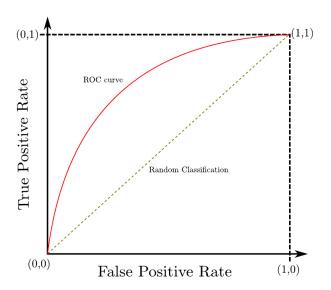
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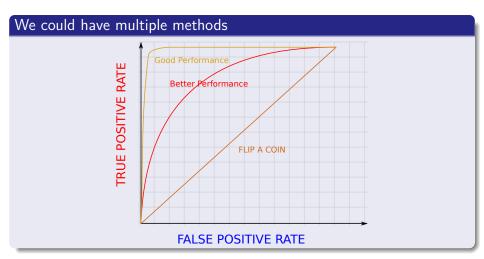
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