



Summer School ML

IV Linear Models

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Basic Types of Machine Learning Algorithms

Supervised Learning

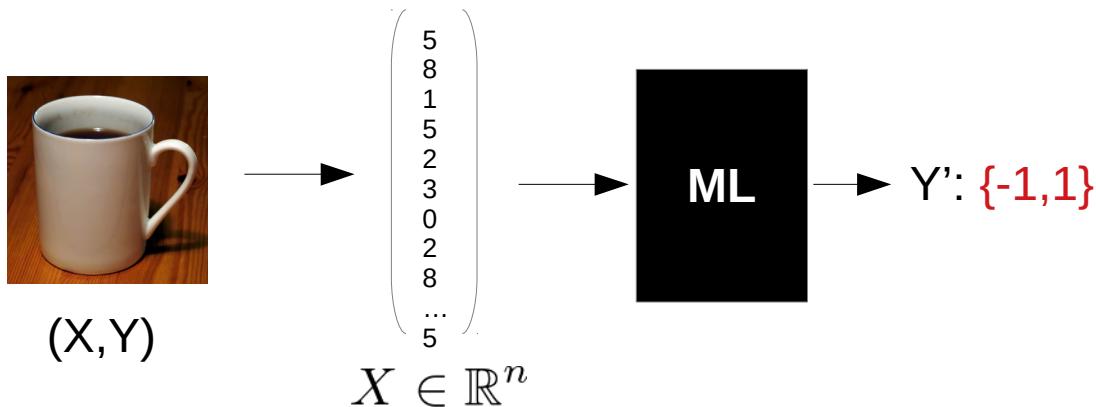
Unsupervised Learning

Reinforcement Learning

- Labeled data
- Direct and quantitative evaluation
- Learn model from „ground truth“ examples
- Predict unseen examples

Recall Classification

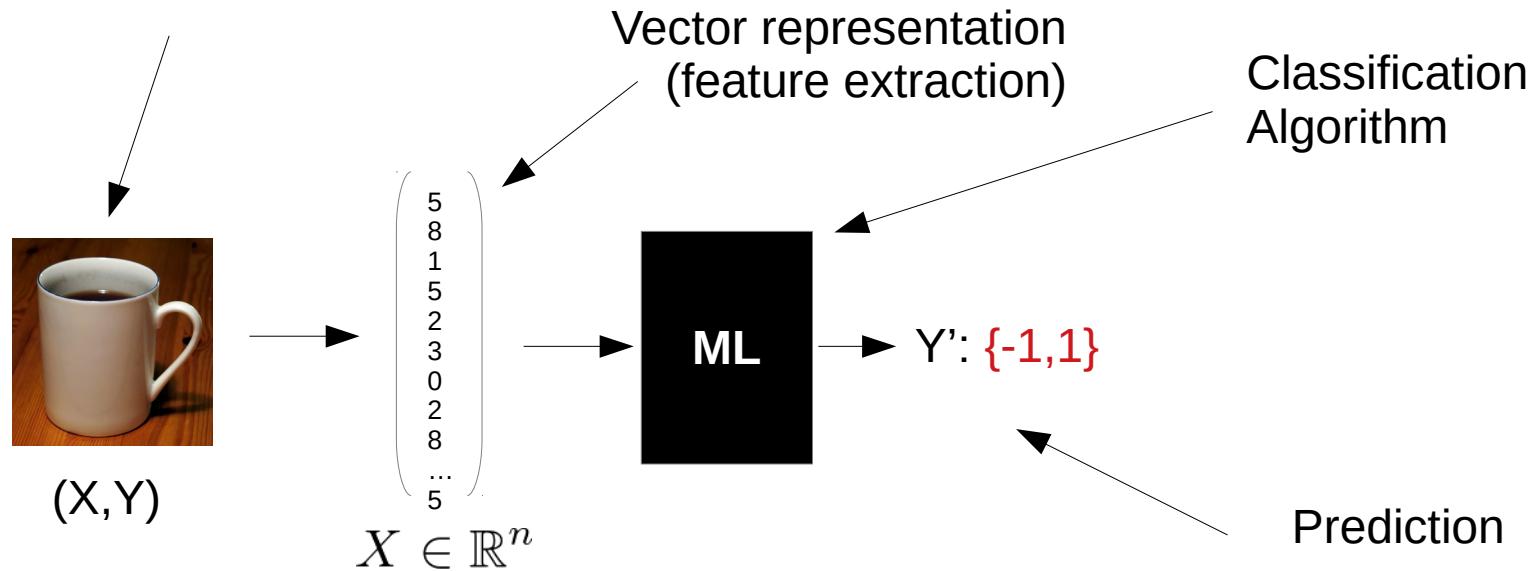
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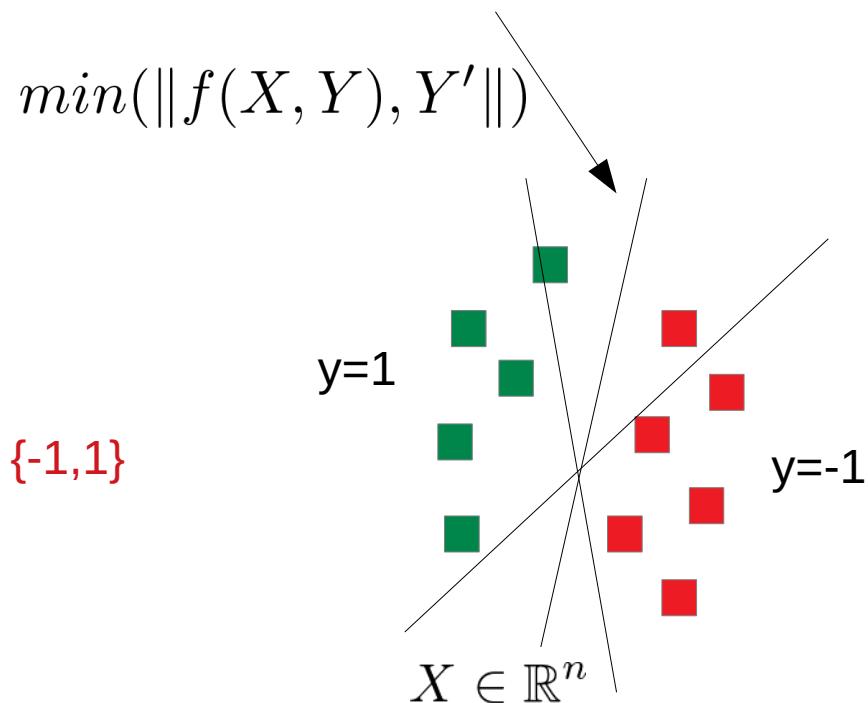
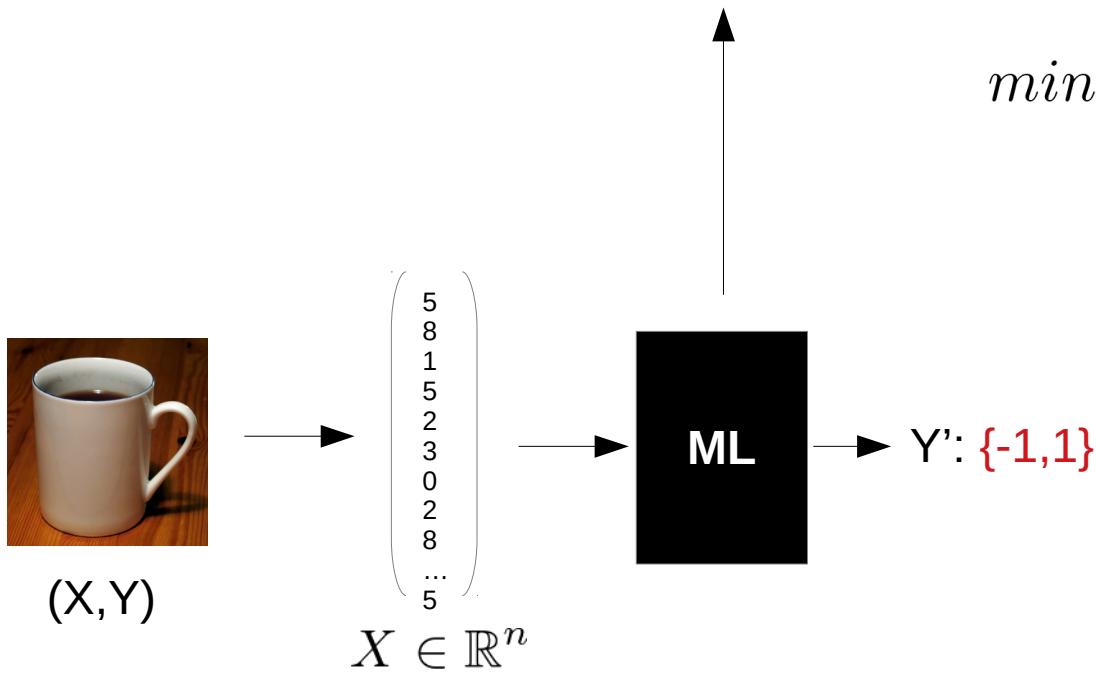
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LEARNING: is a optimization problem → Finding the best function separating



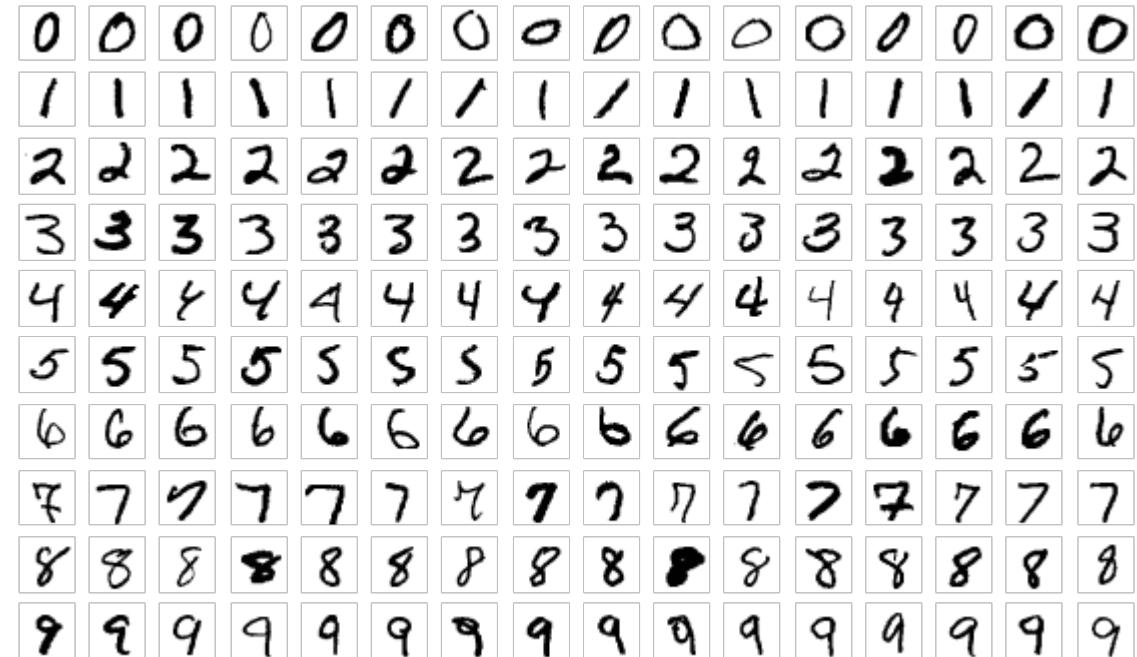
Example: MNIST

The MNIST hand written digits classification Problem

The MNIST database (Modified National Institute of Standards and Technology database) is a large database of handwritten digits that is commonly used for training various image processing systems.

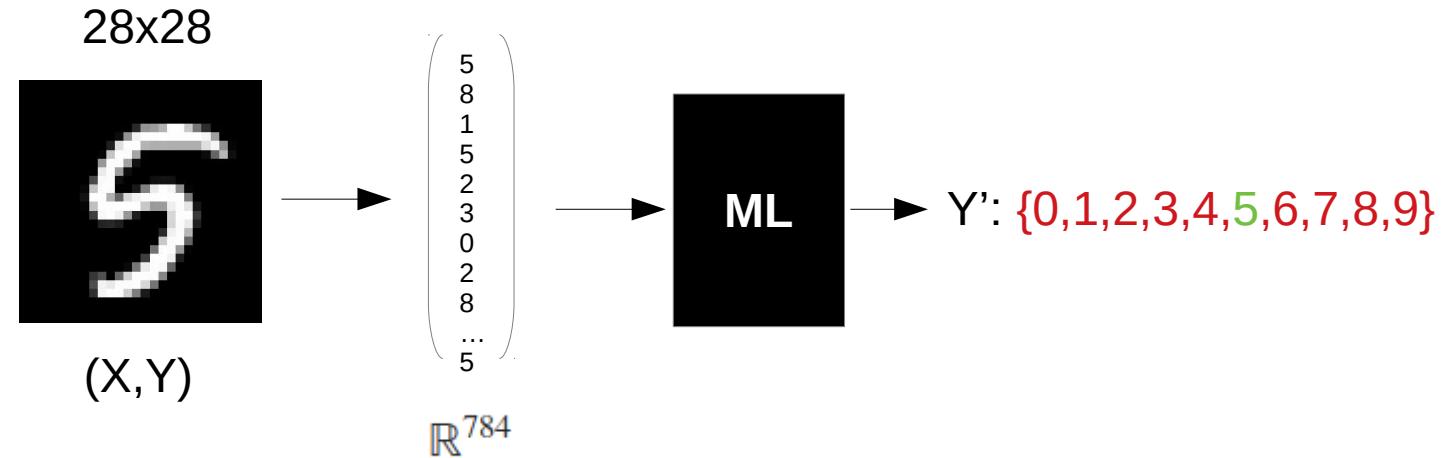
Data specs:

- 10 Classes (digits 0-9)
- 28x28 gray scale images
- 60000 train samples
- 10000 test samples

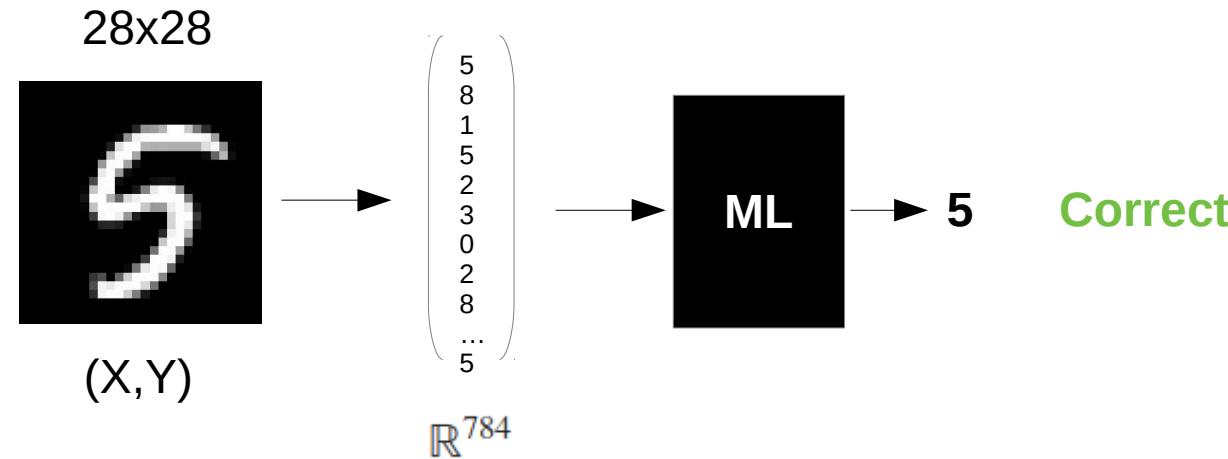


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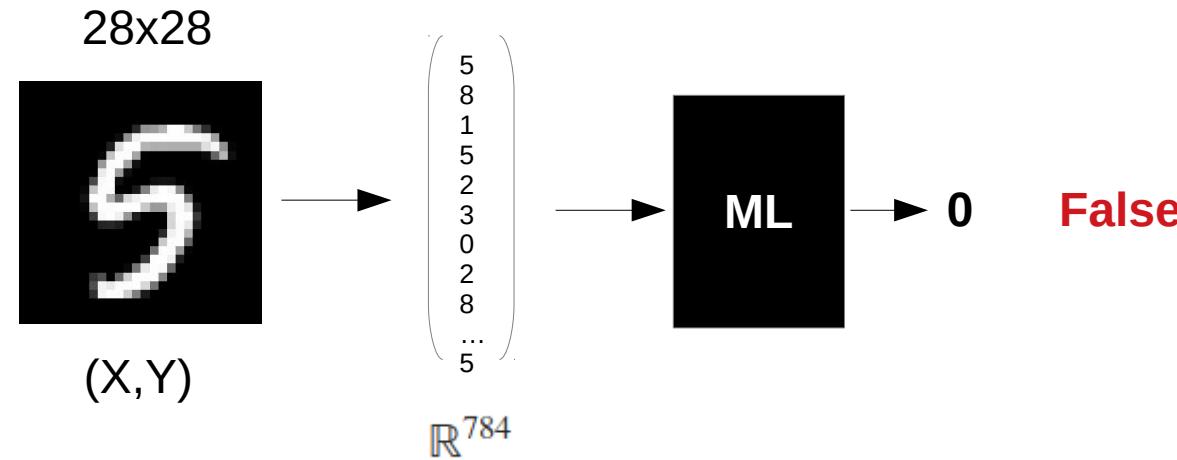
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Evaluation



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Recall: Evaluation

Basic evaluation of a model:

Train error: measure of how well the model predicts the given labels

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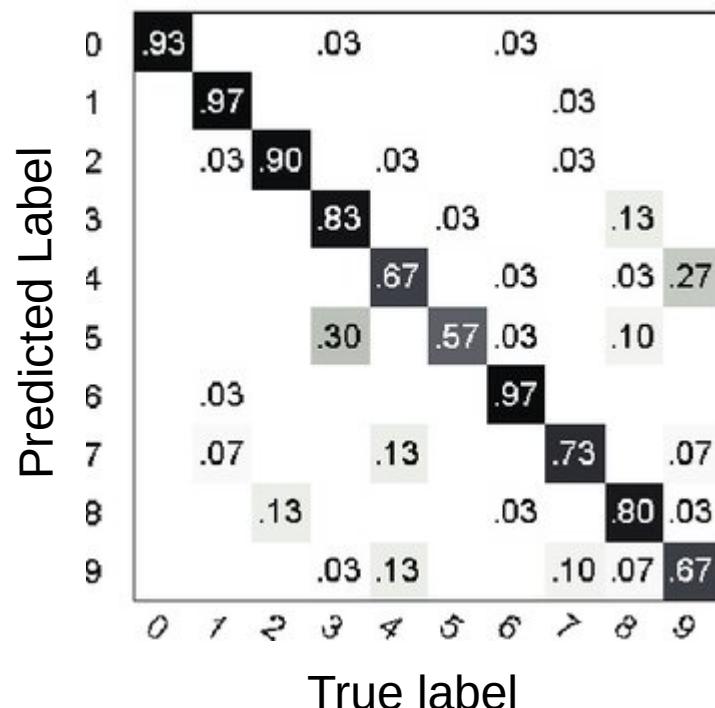
low train error is the **necessary condition** for a “good” model

Test error: same as train error: low test error is the **sufficient** condition

$$Err_{test} := \frac{1}{|X_{test}|} \sum_{x_i \in X_{test}} |f(x_i) - y_i|$$

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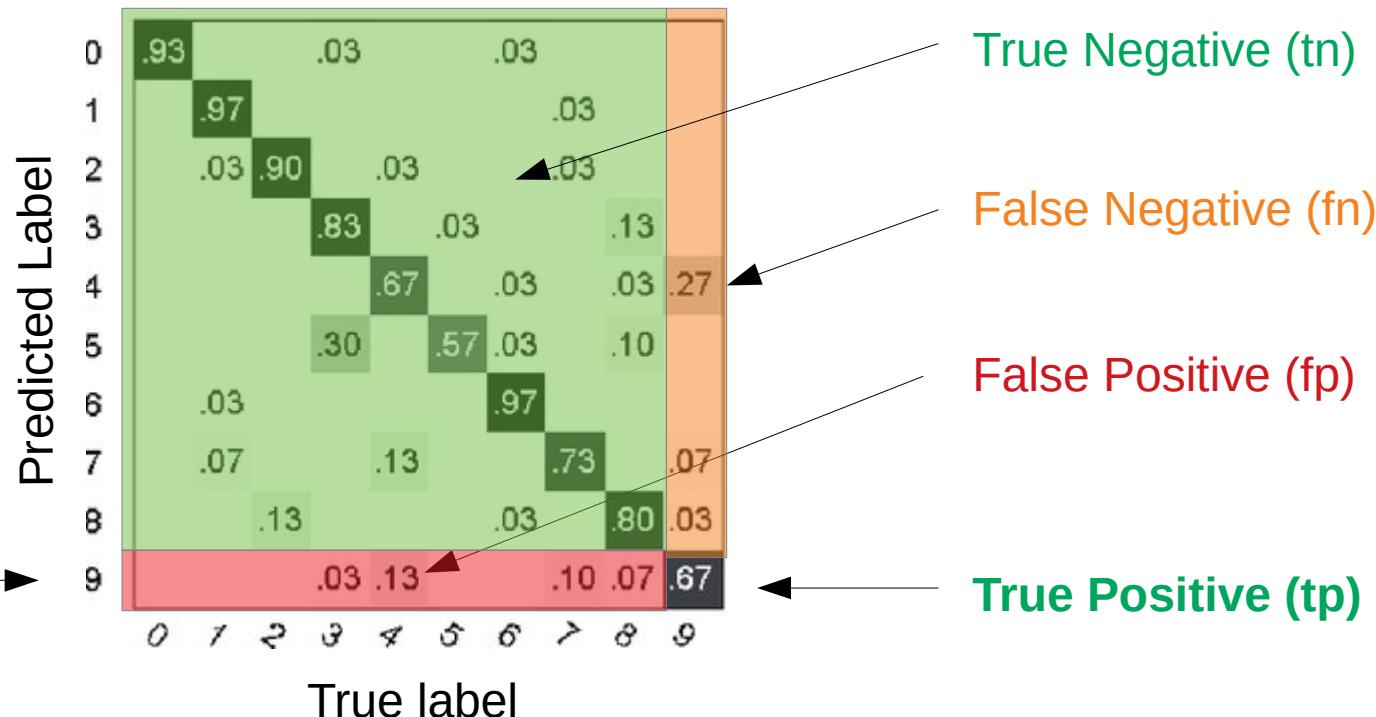
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Example for true digit “9”



Evaluation

Accuracy:

Most commonly used error metric:

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{tp + tn}{tp + tn + fp + fn}$$

Correct samples

All samples

Evaluation

Problems with Accuracy Unbalanced classes:

If the prior probability of one class is much higher than others, fp will have little impact.

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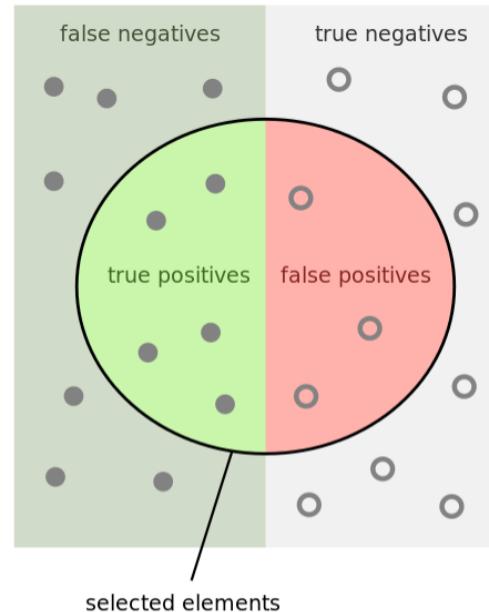
Extreme example: if 90% of the digits are “1”, classifying every digit to “1” will have 90% accuracy!

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Precision and Recall

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{tp}{tp + fp}$$

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{tp}{tp + fn}$$



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[image by wikipedia]

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F-Measure or balanced F-score is the harmonic mean of precision and recall:

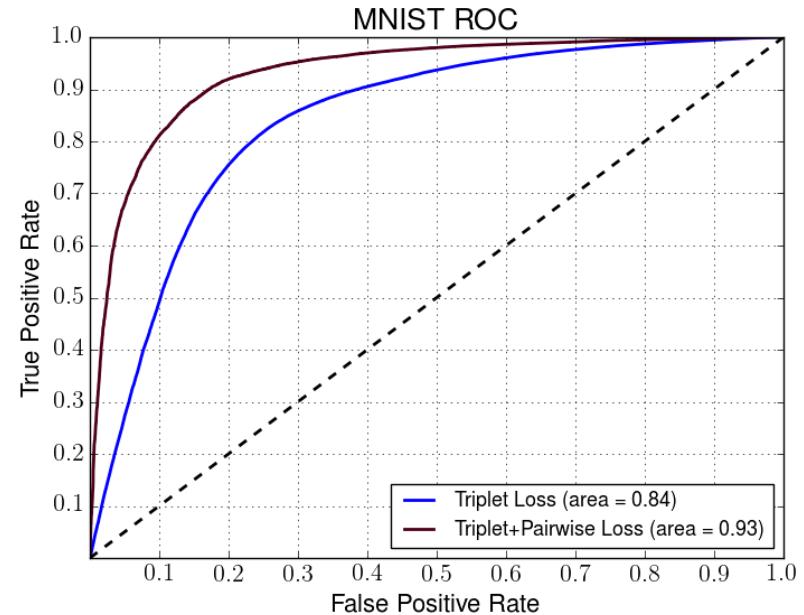
$$F = 2 \cdot \frac{\text{precision} \cdot \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}}$$

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Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve

A receiver operating characteristic curve, or ROC curve, is a graphical plot that illustrates the diagnostic ability of a **binary classifier** system as its discrimination threshold is varied.

Example: comparing two different models



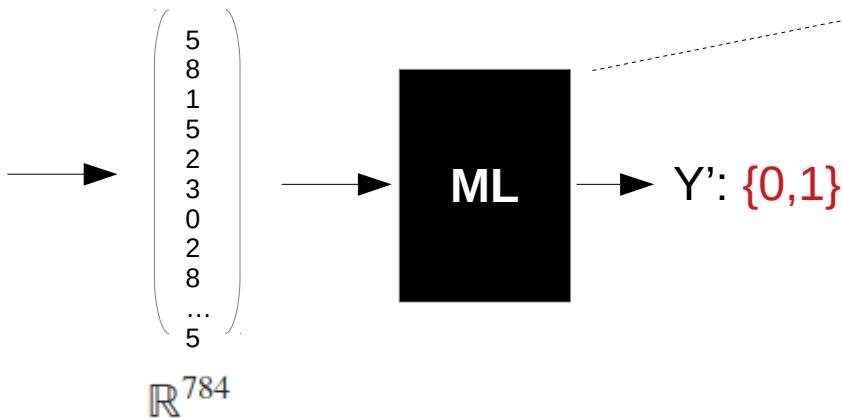
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A Simple Linear Model: **binary** classification

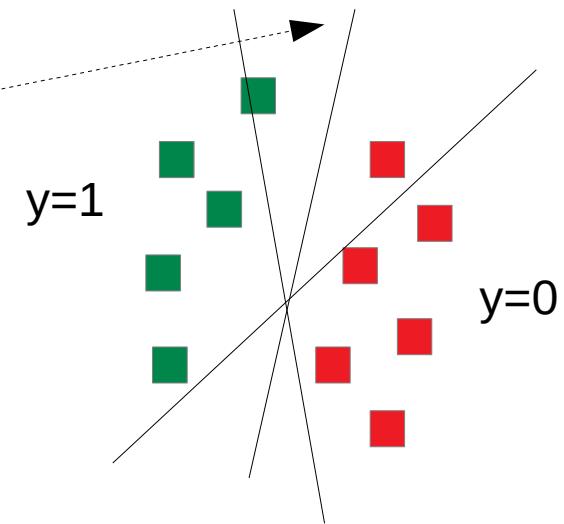
Example: “5” vs “other digit”



(X, Y)

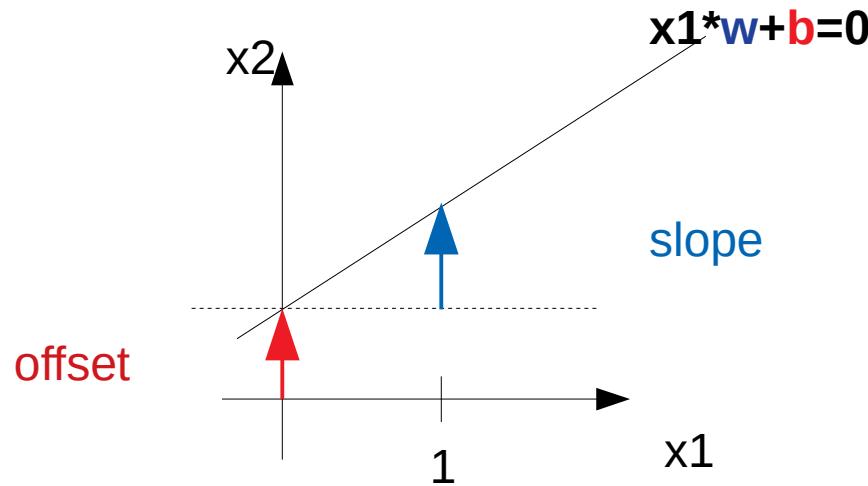


Model: hyper plane

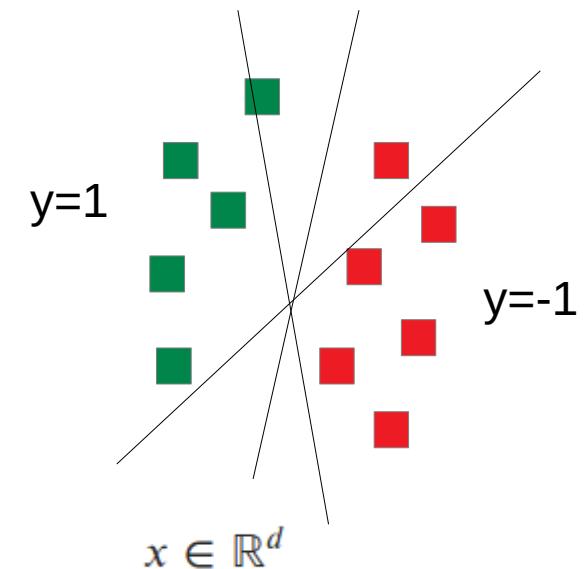


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Parameterization of a hyper plane (here 2D)



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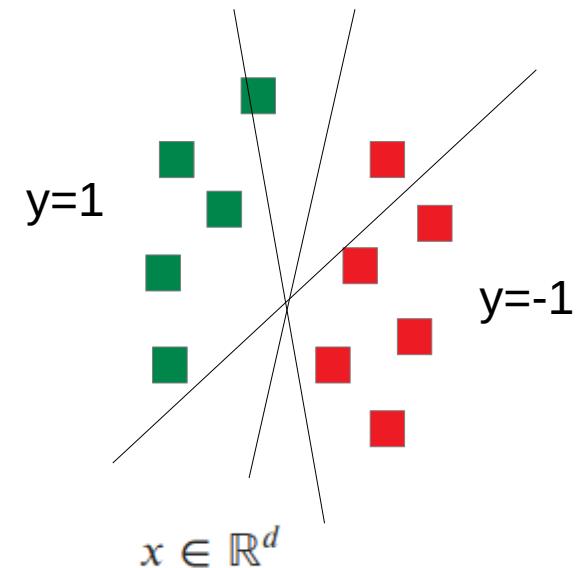
$$f(x) = y' = \text{sgn}(w^T x + b) = \text{sgn}(\sum_{j=0}^d x_j w_j + b_j)$$

With data samples $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

Model parameters $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\text{sgn}(x) := \begin{cases} +1 & \text{falls } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{falls } x = 0 \\ -1 & \text{falls } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

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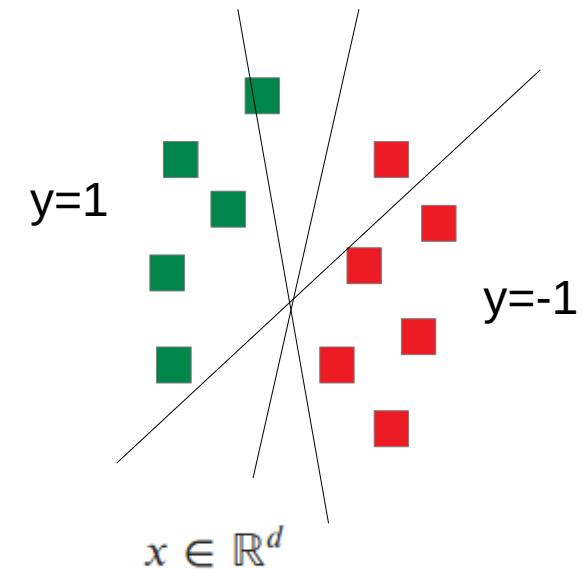
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How to find the parameters?

Model: hyper plane



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$$\arg \min_w \sum_{i=0}^N L(y_i, w^T x_i)$$

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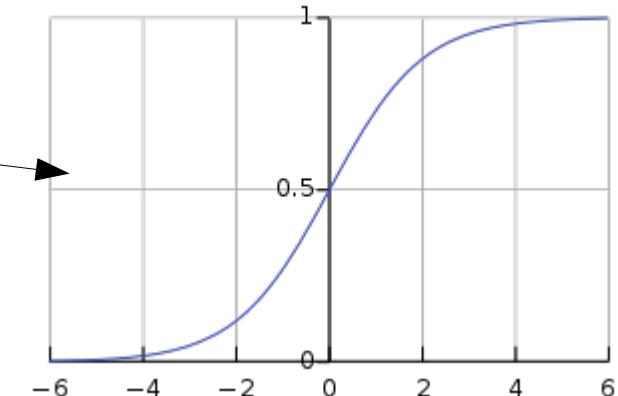
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- **pseudo probability:** Out put always between 0 and 1
- Apply **threshold** function on probability that class label =1

Only one of many possible Loss functions, but common choice



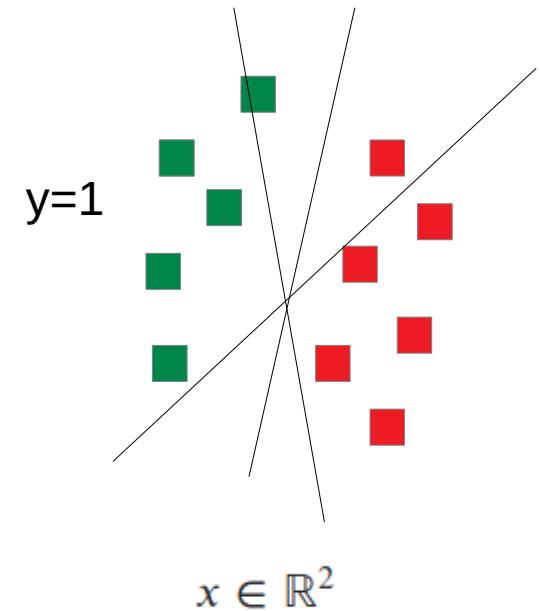
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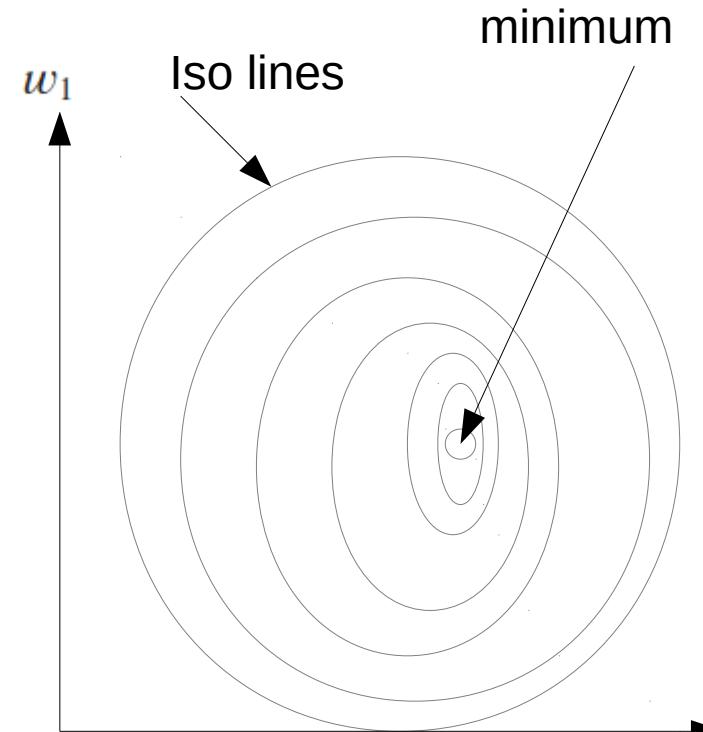
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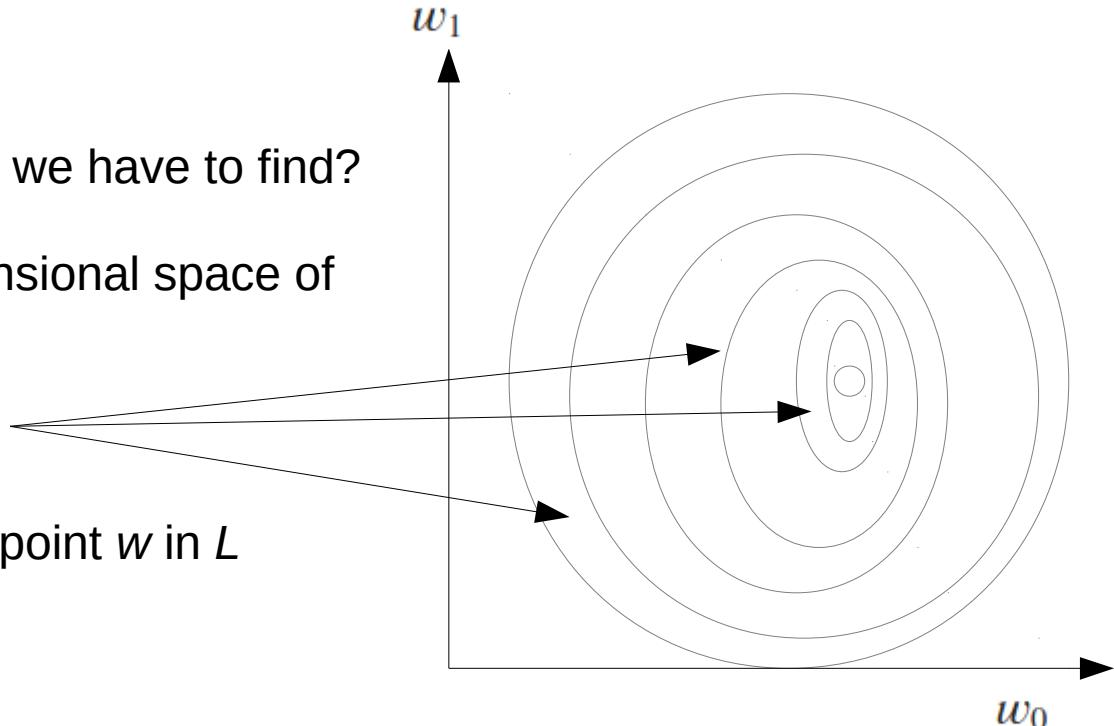
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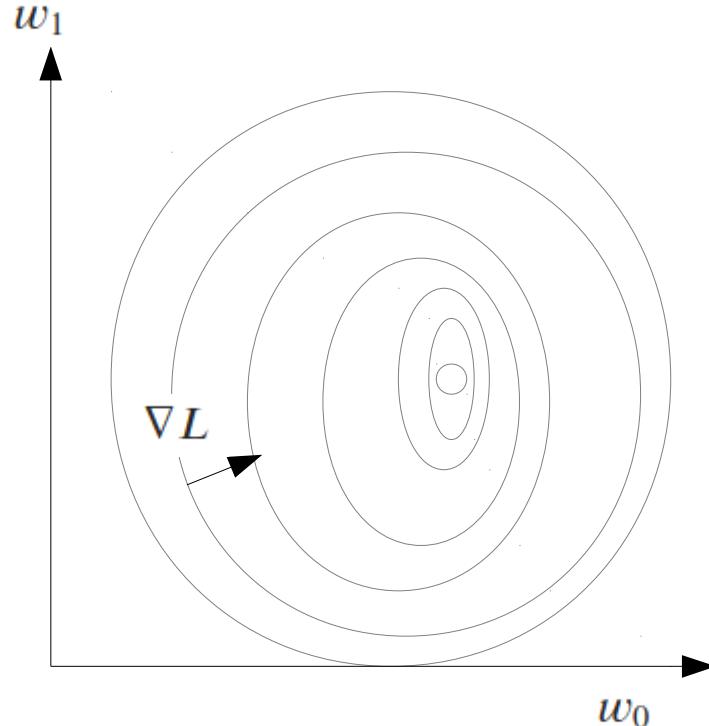
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$$\nabla L = \frac{dL}{dw}$$

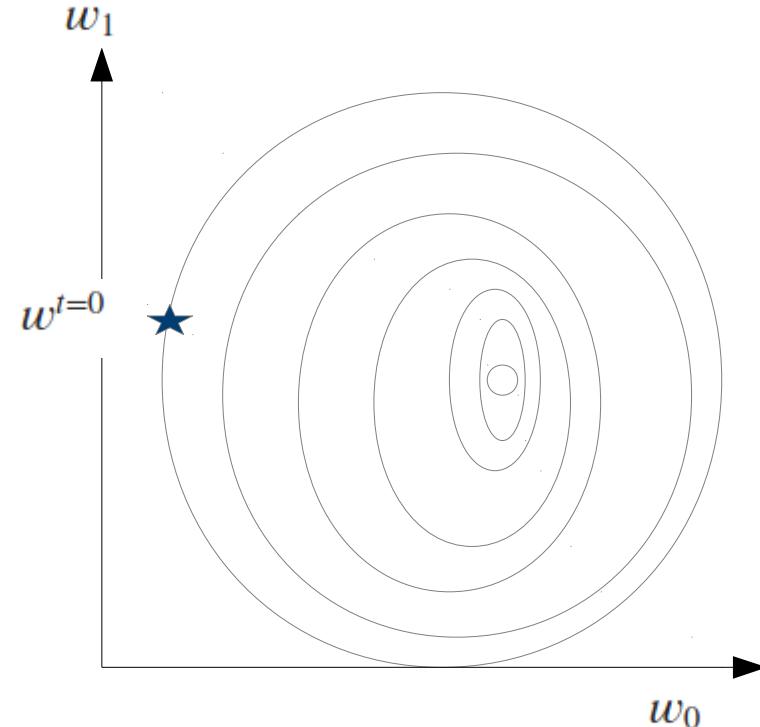


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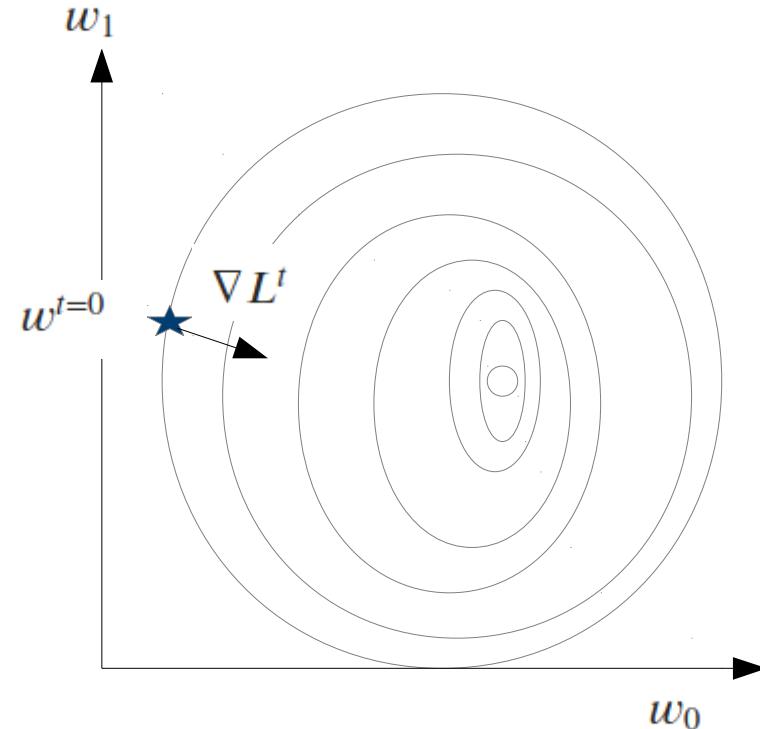
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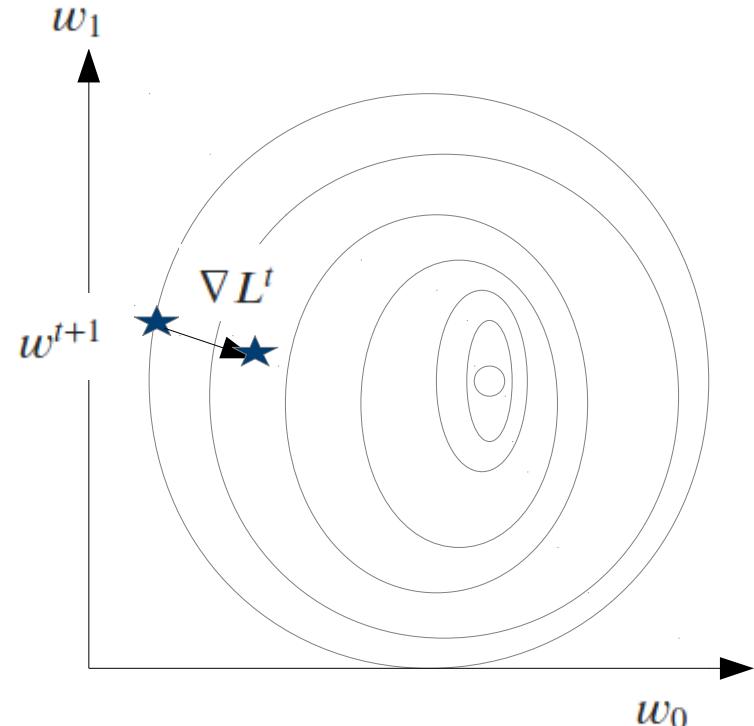
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Step size or Learning rate
Usually quite small scalar like 0.001



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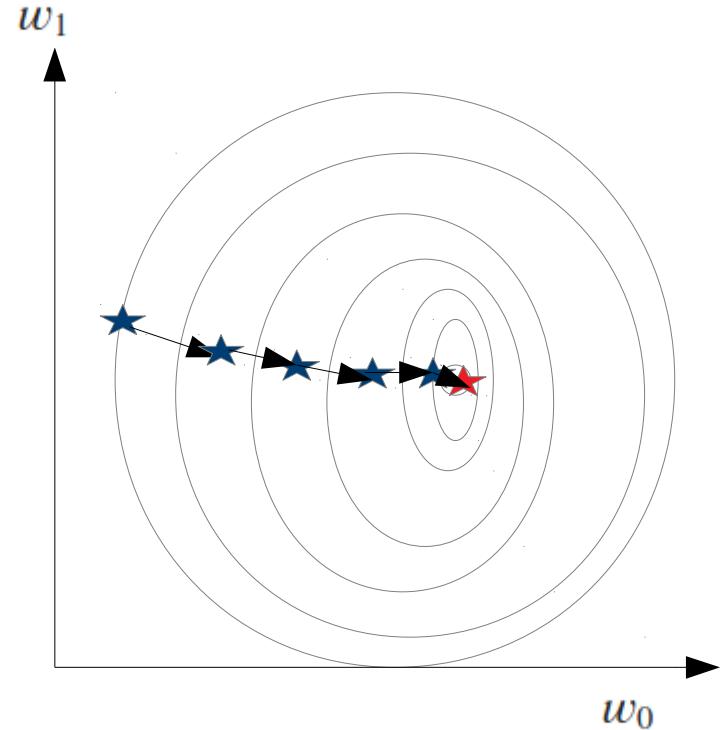
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- IV. Repeat II-III till convergence

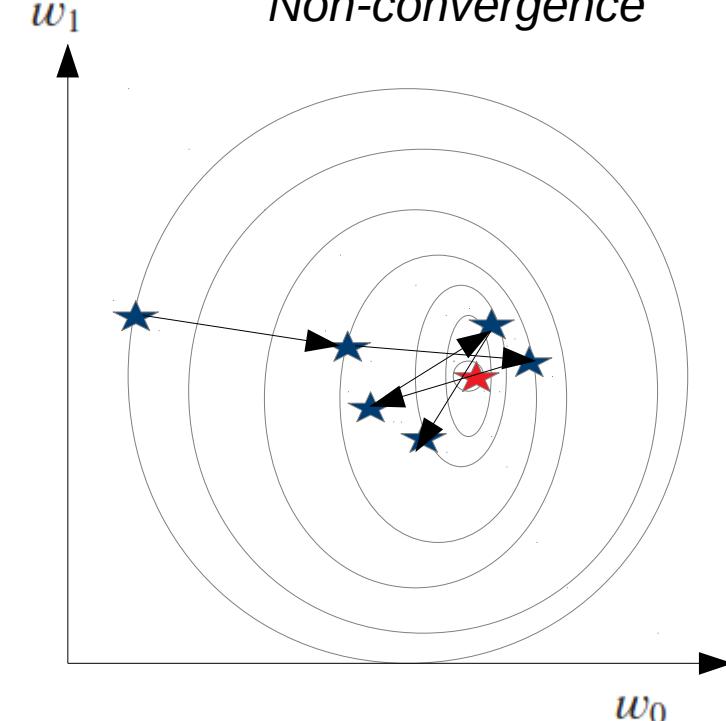


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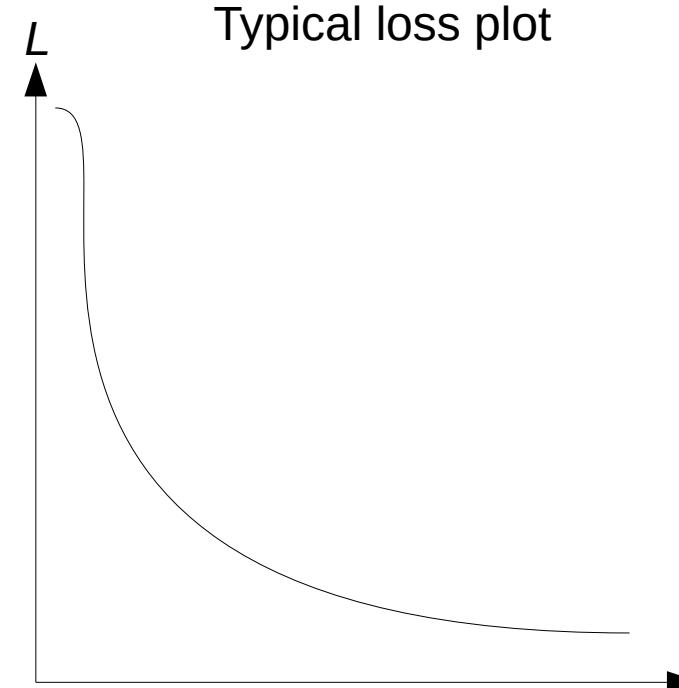


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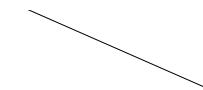
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- II. How to know when to stop?
 - I. Pre set number of iterations
 - II. Loss limit
 - III. Loss not changing



Multi Class Problems

What if we have more than two classes? → simple extension of our model

$$f(x) = y' = \text{argmax}(Wx)$$



- Replace parameter vector by Matrix
 - One vector per class
 - Matrix vector Multiplication
 - returns vector with class-wise response
 - argmax selects maximum class label

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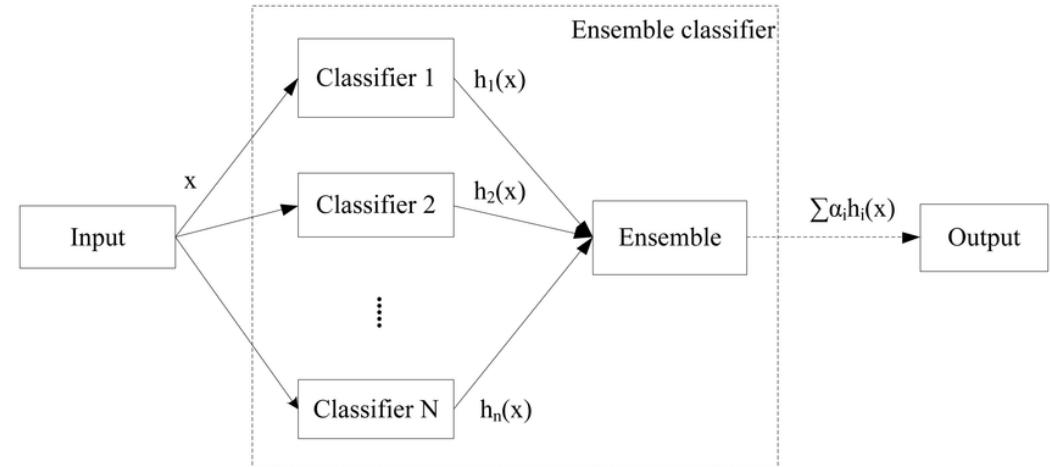
Y is now a vector with k (number of classes) entries and y^i is the kth class label

Discussion

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Ensemble Learning

- Very popular method based on ensemble learning
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- Simple but powerful method
- Easy to implement and to parallelize
- Does not tend to overfit
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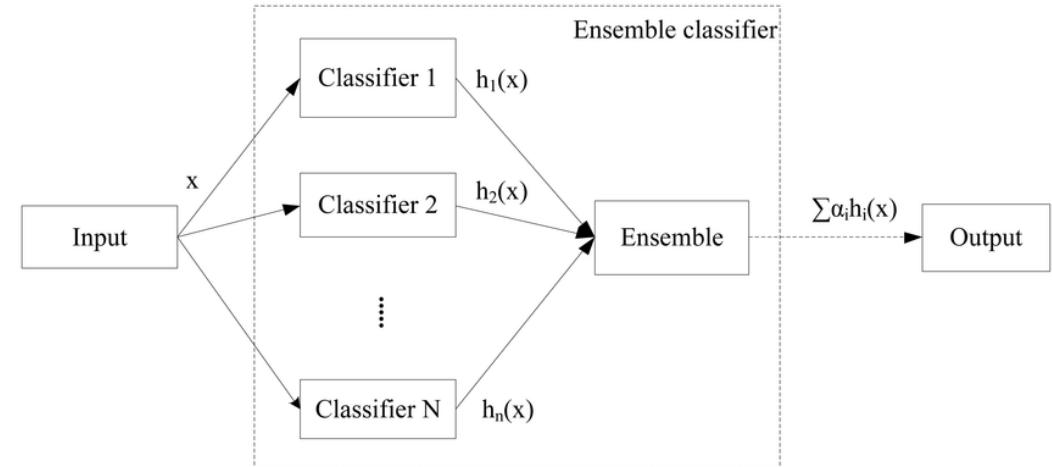


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Statistics: Bagging and Boosting

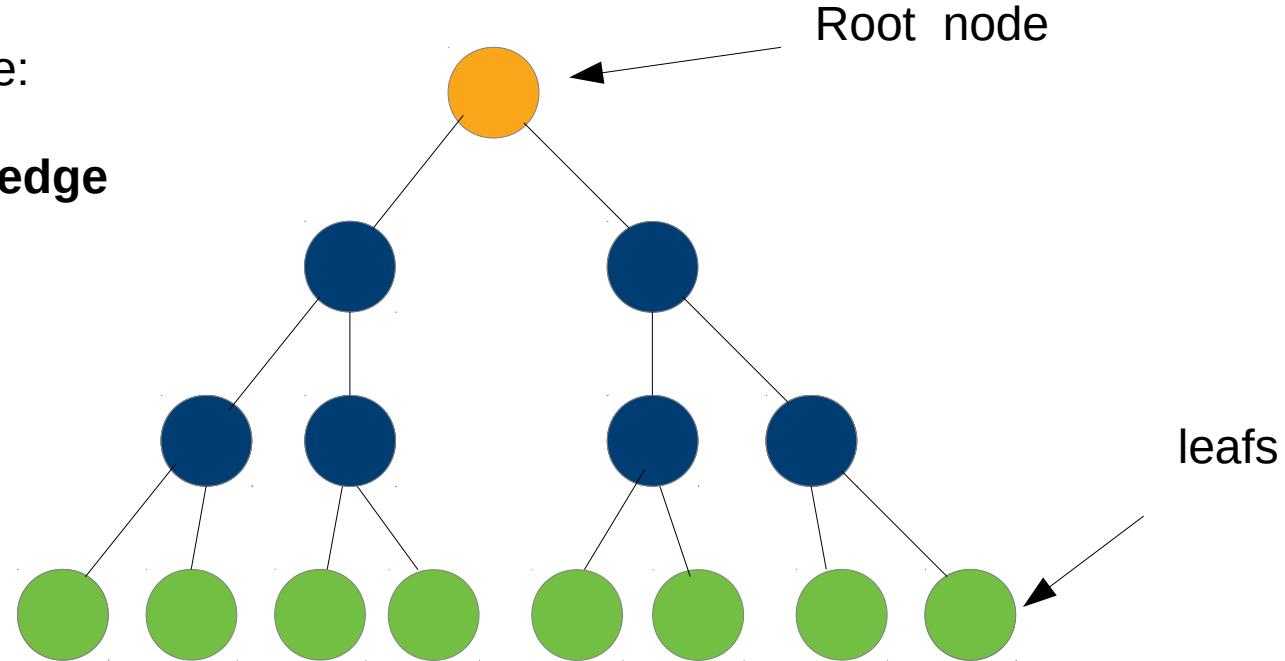


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Decision Trees: the base classifier for Random Forests

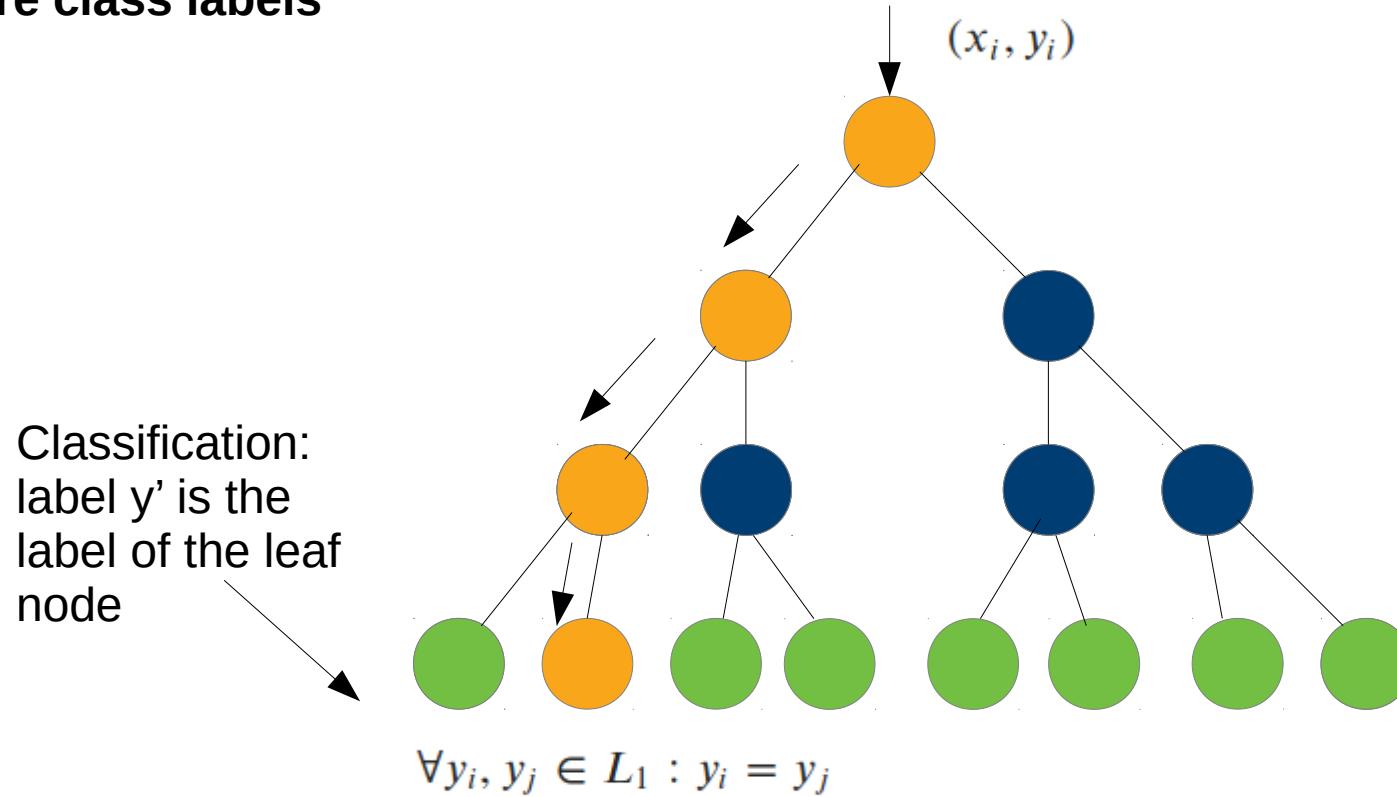
Typically Binary Tree:

Vertex (Node) and edge



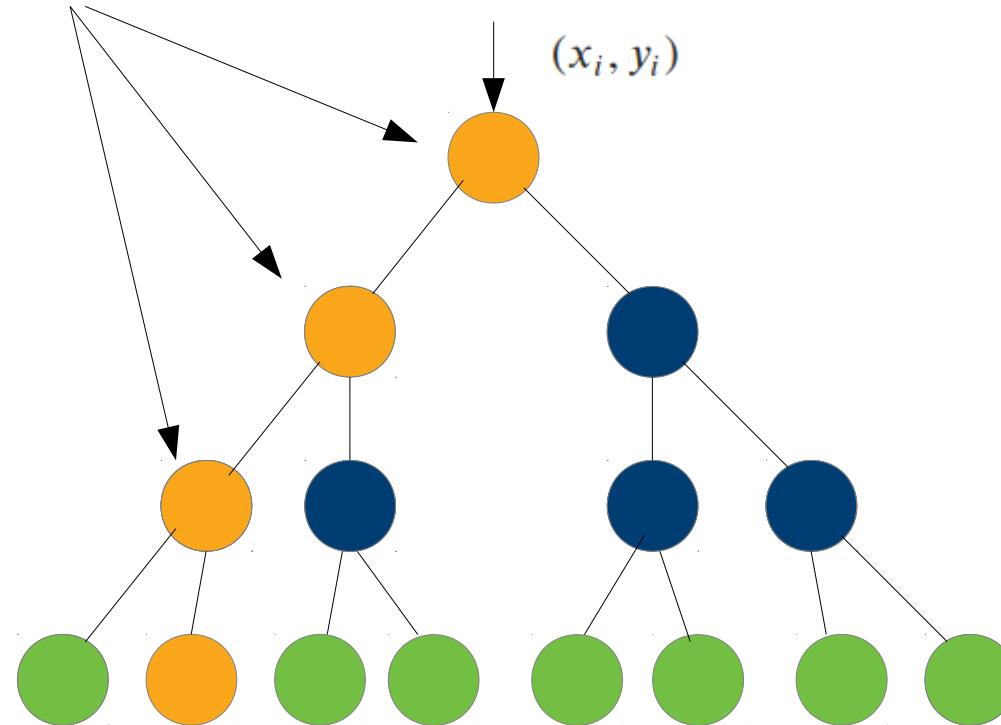
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Goal: divide training data samples X at each node such that leafs have (mostly) Pure class labels



Random Forests

All we need is a splitting function that will produce (almost) pure class labels



$$\forall y_i, y_j \in L_1 : y_i = y_j$$

Top Down Training:

Assume k classes and data of dimension d

- Fill tree with ALL training samples from the root down
- In each node: compute probability for all class labels in node n

$$p_i := p(y = i) = \frac{|(x,i)| \in X_n}{|X_n|}$$

- Compute **node purity** based on class probabilities
- Split node along one dimension such that purity of children is increasing \leftarrow **optimization**

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Entropy (a way to measure impurity):

$$\text{Entropy} = - \sum_j p_j \log_2 p_j$$

Gini index:

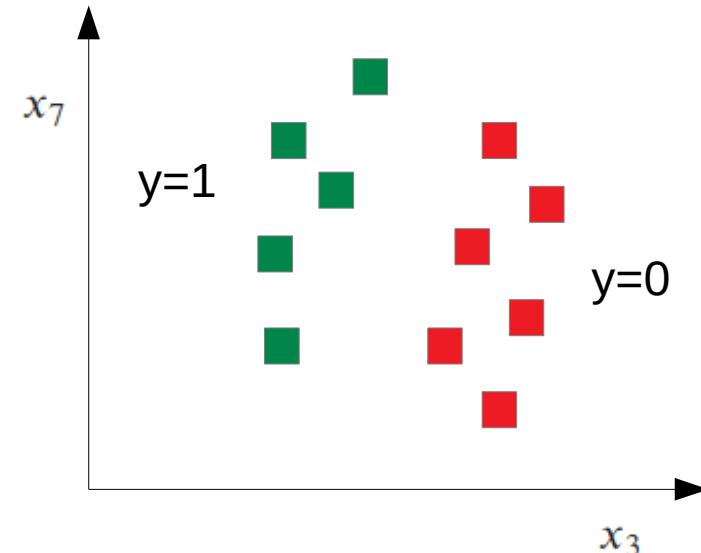
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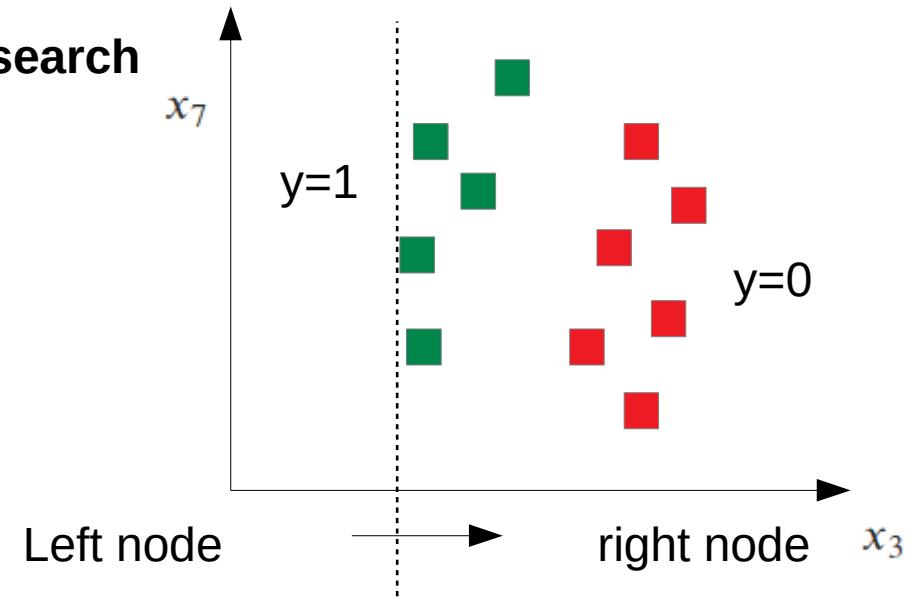
e.g. $x_7 \quad x_3$

II. For each variable: find best split via line search

e.g. for x_3

Left: Undefined (div by zero)

Right: $p_1 = \frac{4}{11} = 0.36, p_0 = \frac{6}{11} = 0.54$



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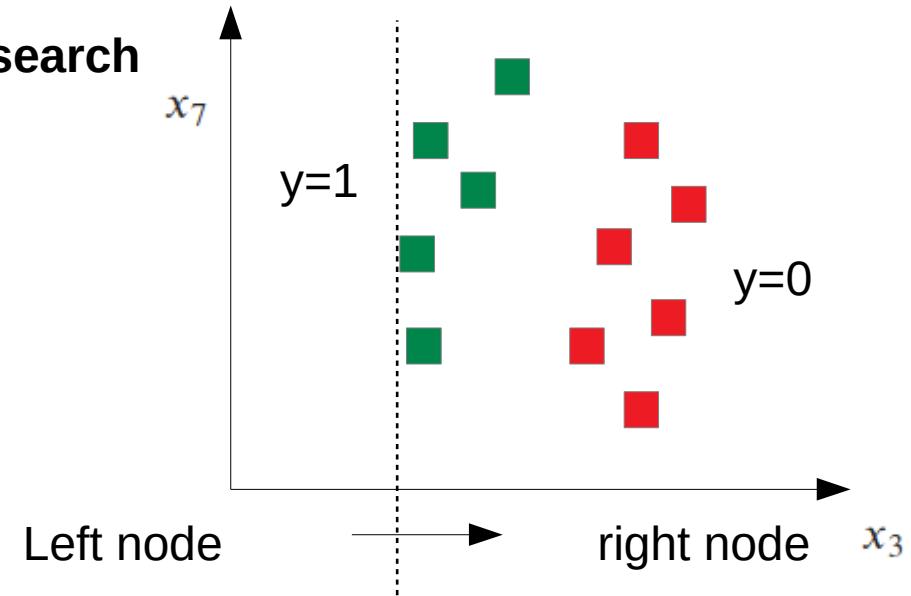
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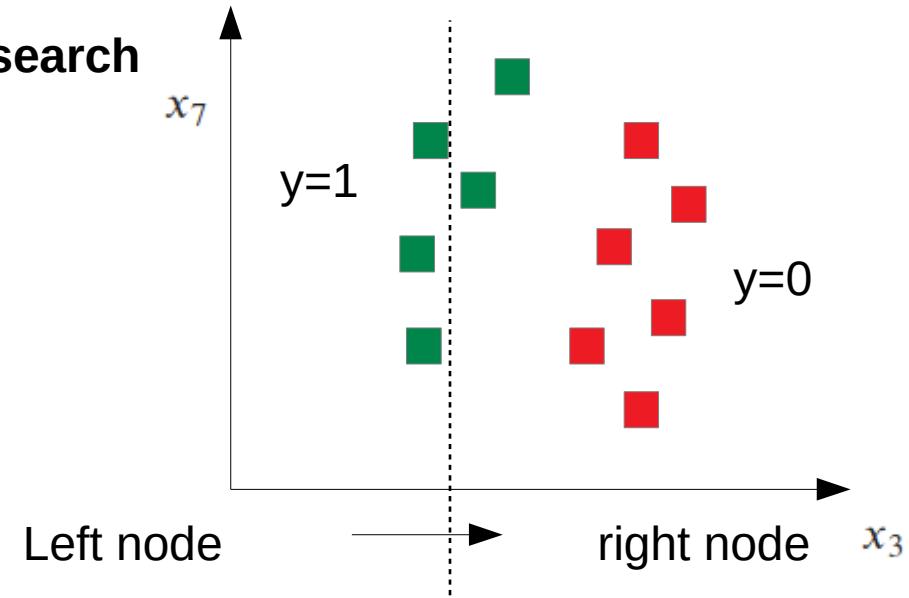
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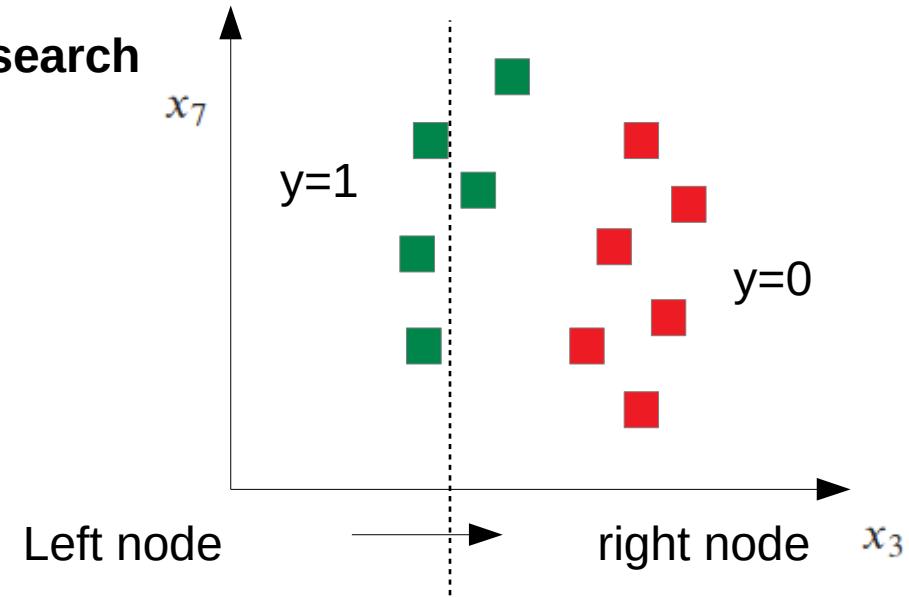
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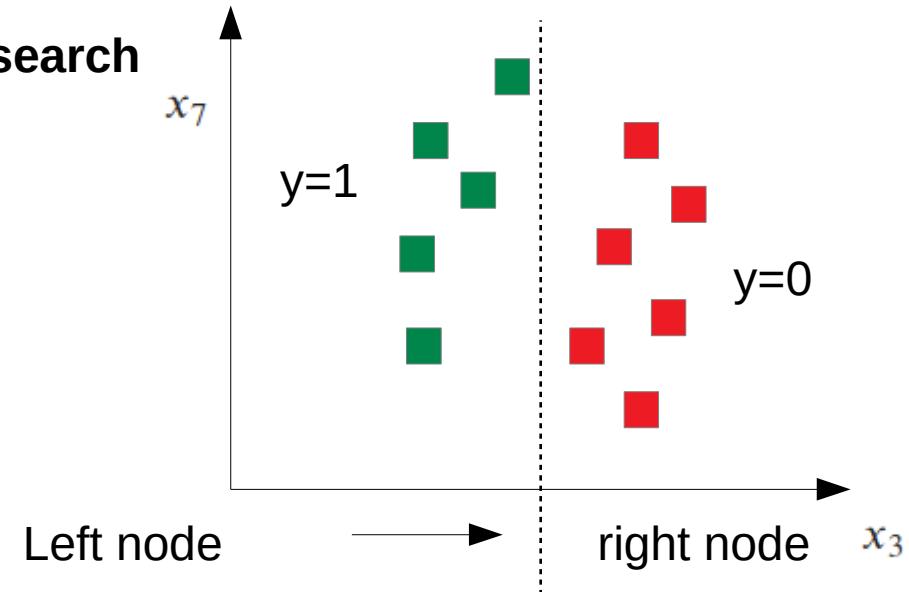
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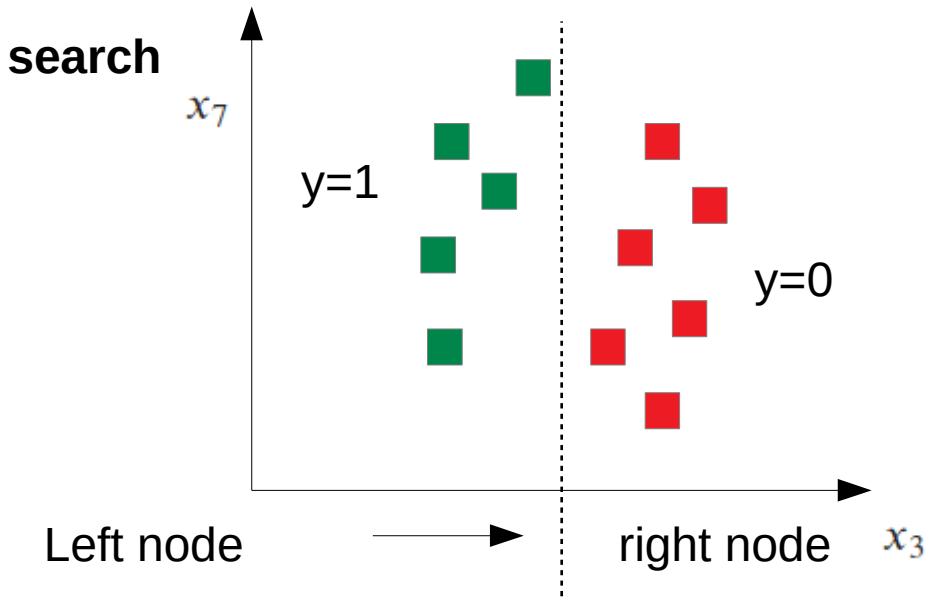
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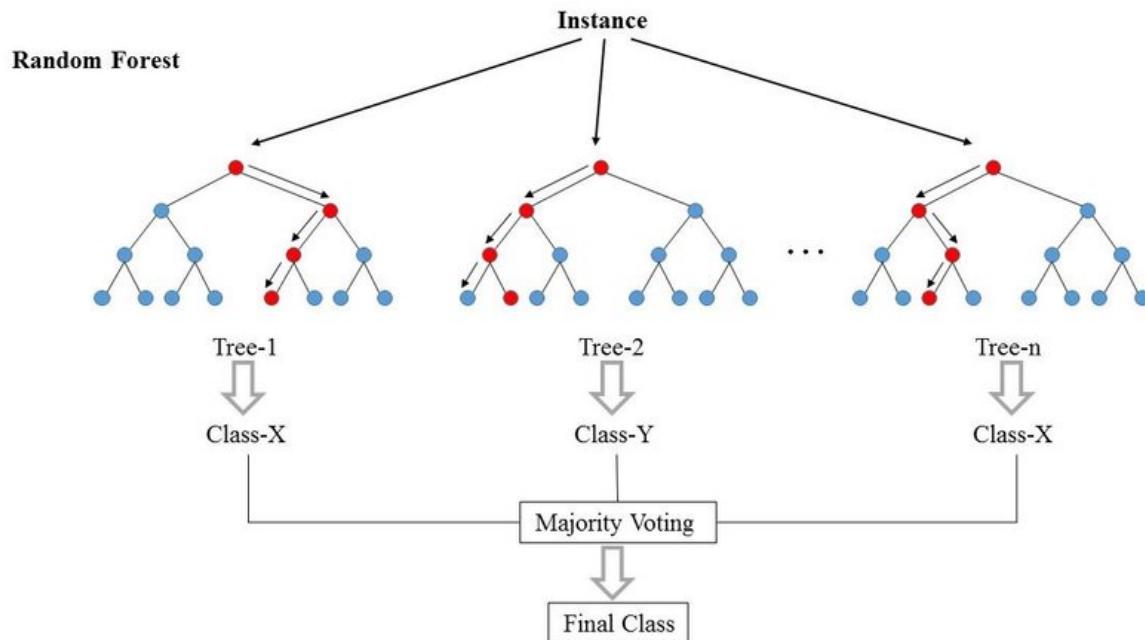
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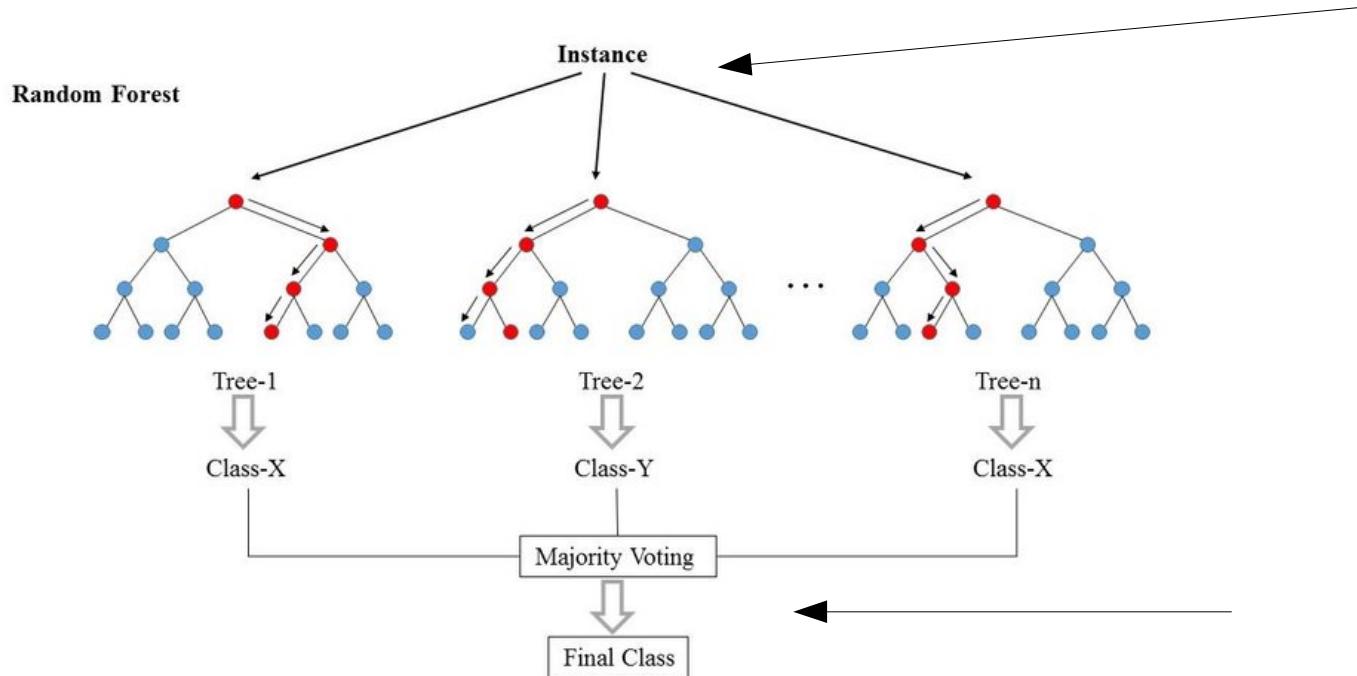
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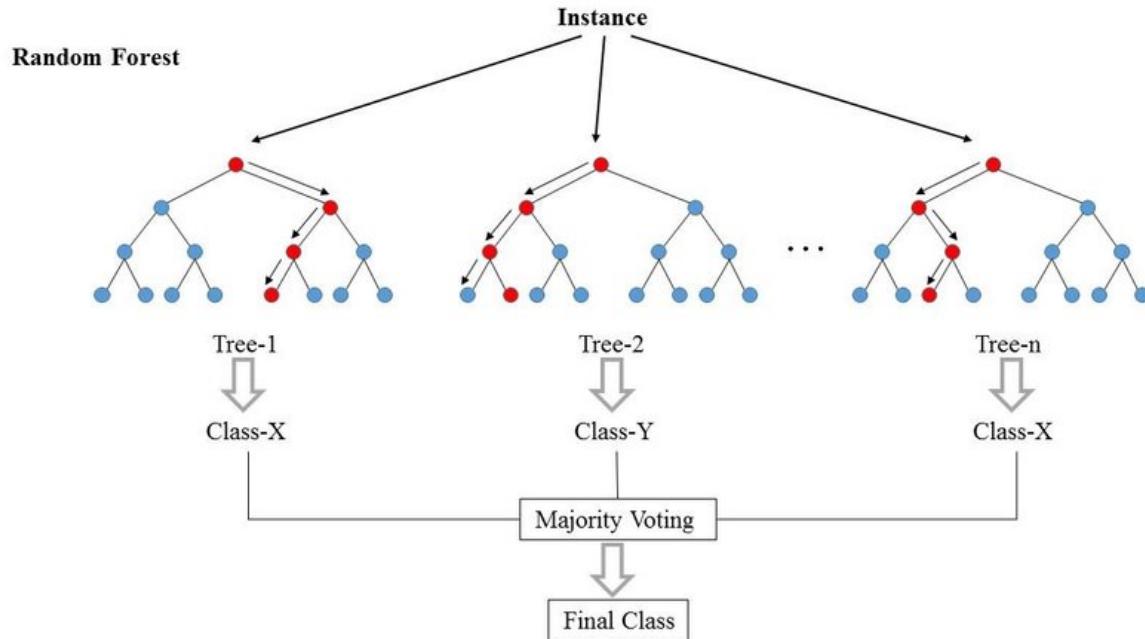


Split Training data
into random subsets
→ Bootstrap

Combine Models
→ Bagging

Random Forests

Ensemble Learning: A Forest of Trees

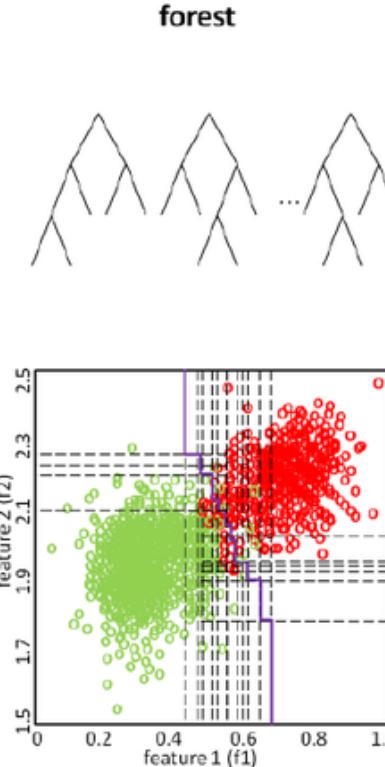
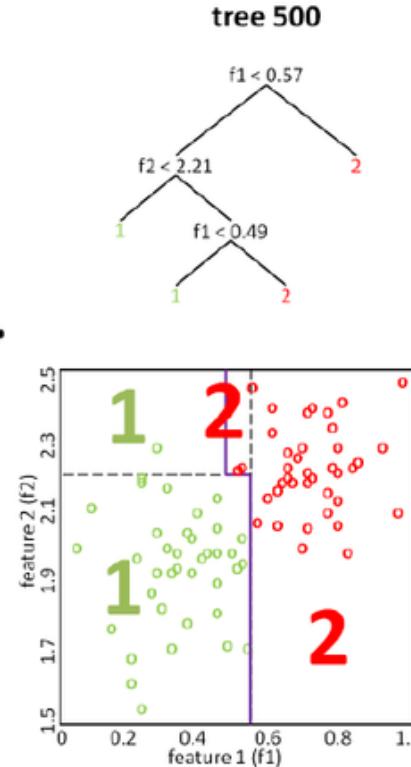
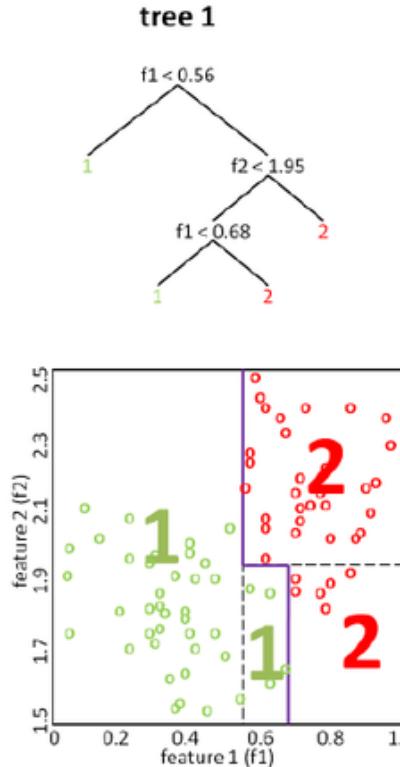


Parameters:

- #trees
- Portion of data per tree
- #vars per split
- Stopping
 - max depth
 - min samples per node

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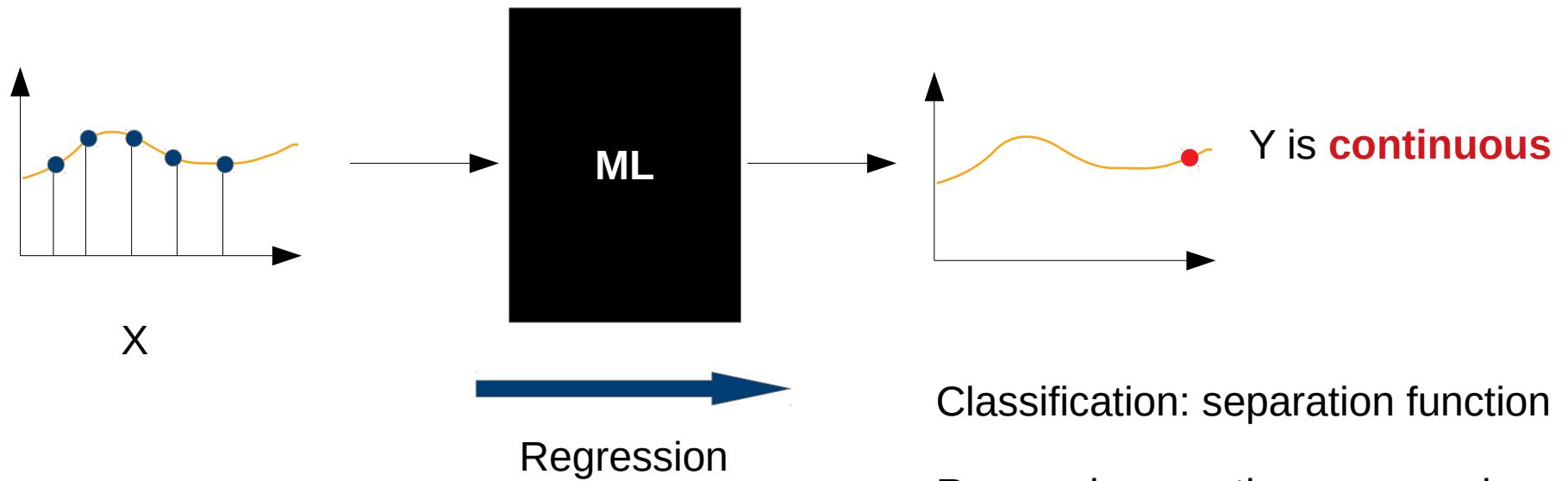
Classification example



Discussion

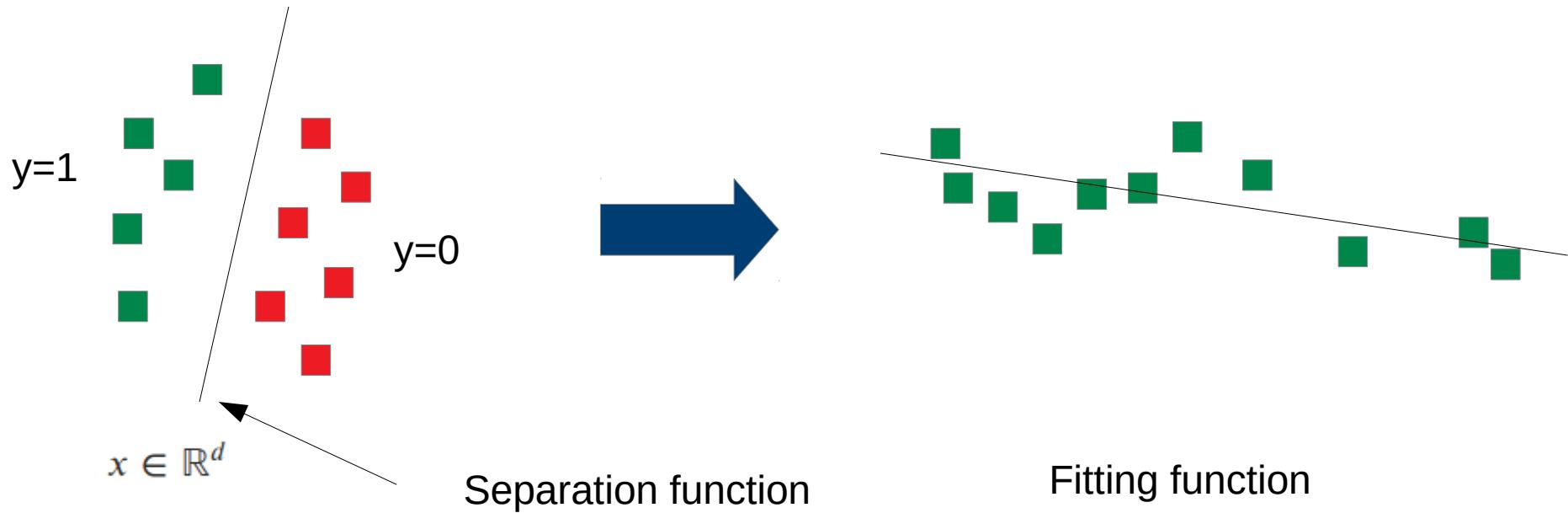
Regression

Recall:



Linear Regression

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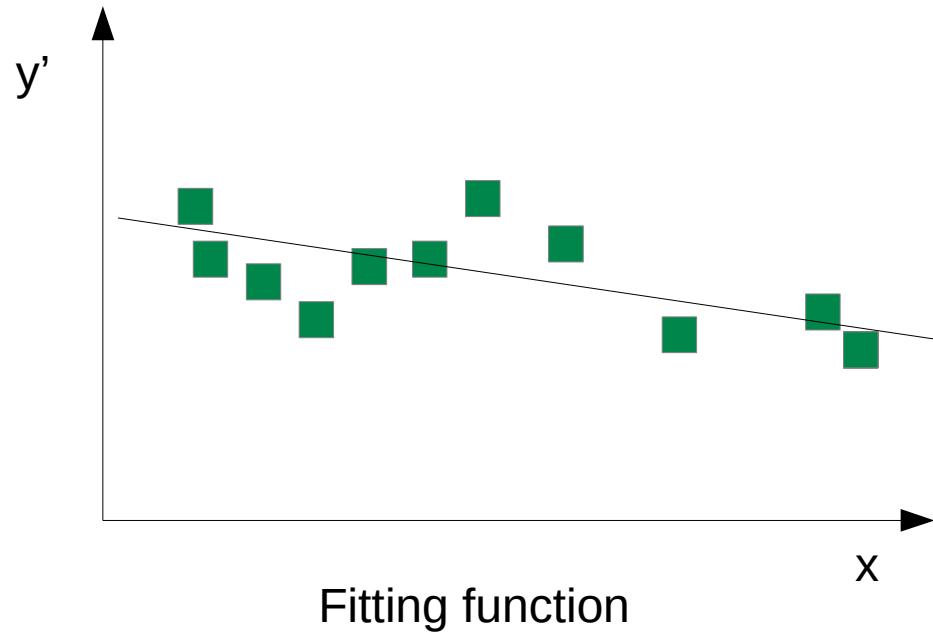


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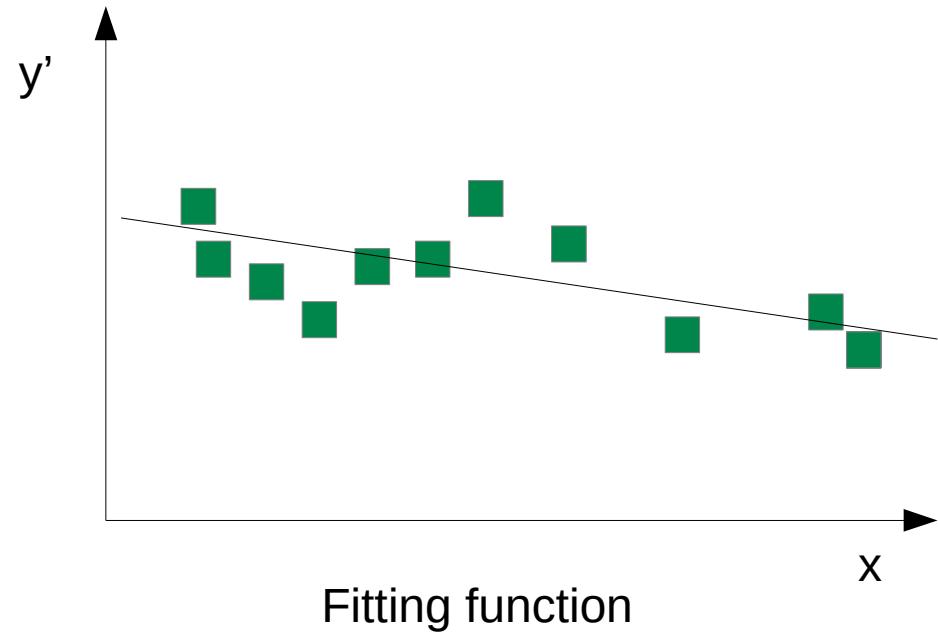
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Simply need new loss function in the optimization

$$\arg \min_w \sum_{i=0}^N L(y_i, w^T x_i)$$



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Loss functions for regression:

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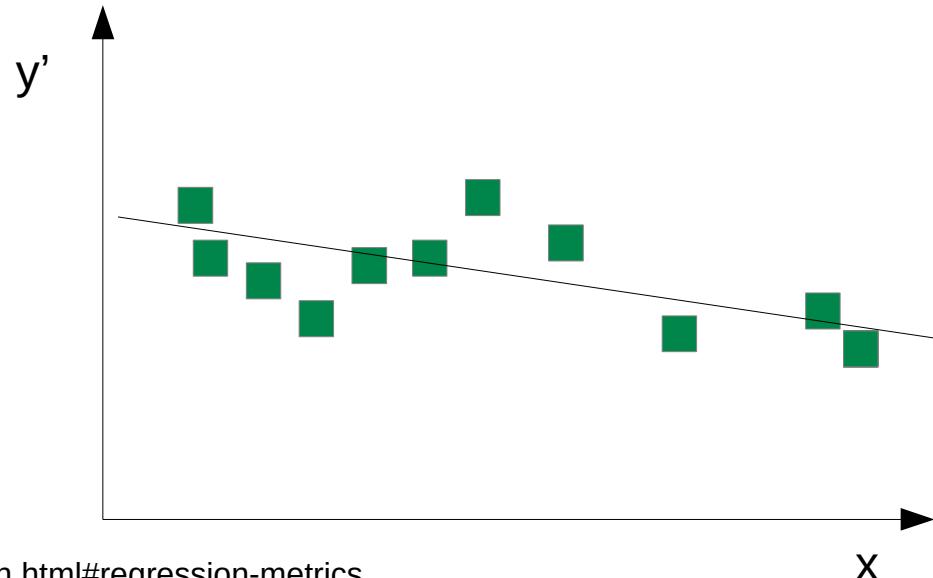
As simple as least squares error

$$L_{LSE}(y, y') := \|y - y'\|^2$$

Many other error measures possible

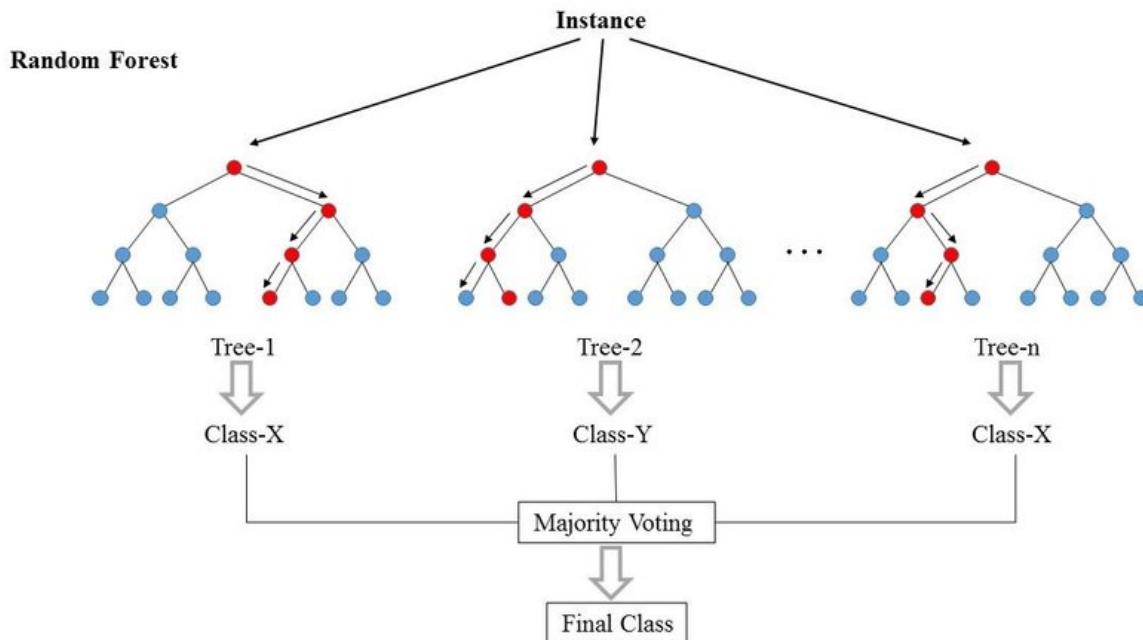
- L1 (Histogram intersection)
- ...

→ See https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/model_evaluation.html#regression-metrics



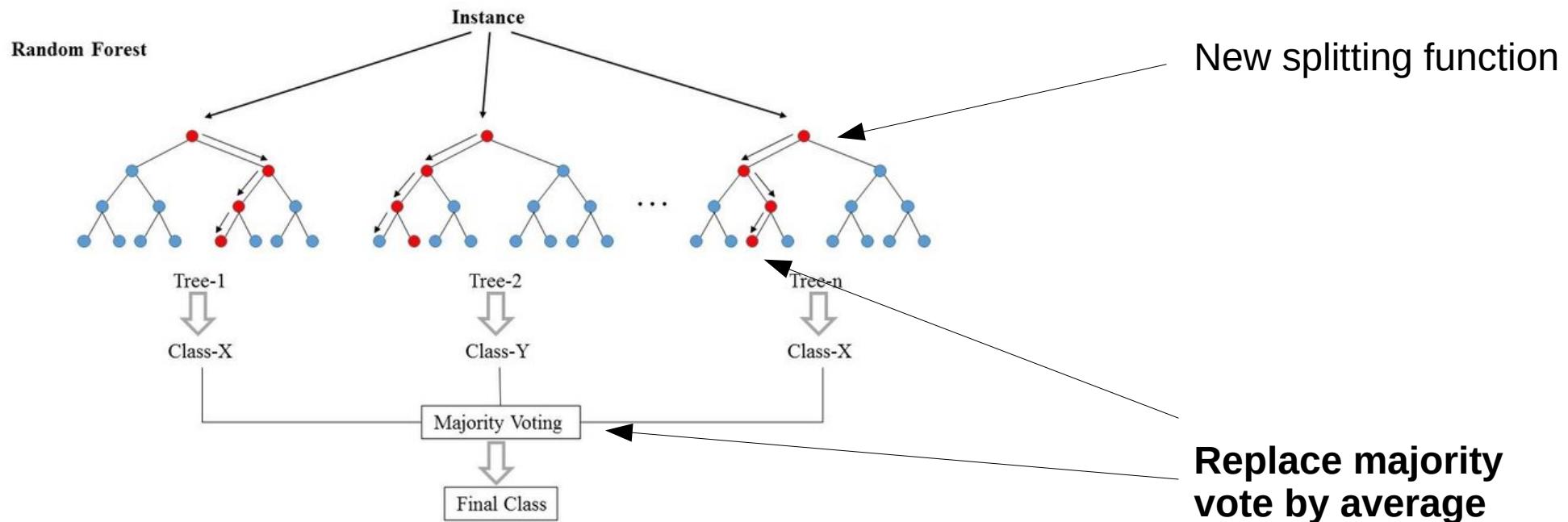
Regression with Random Forests

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Splitting functions for regression:

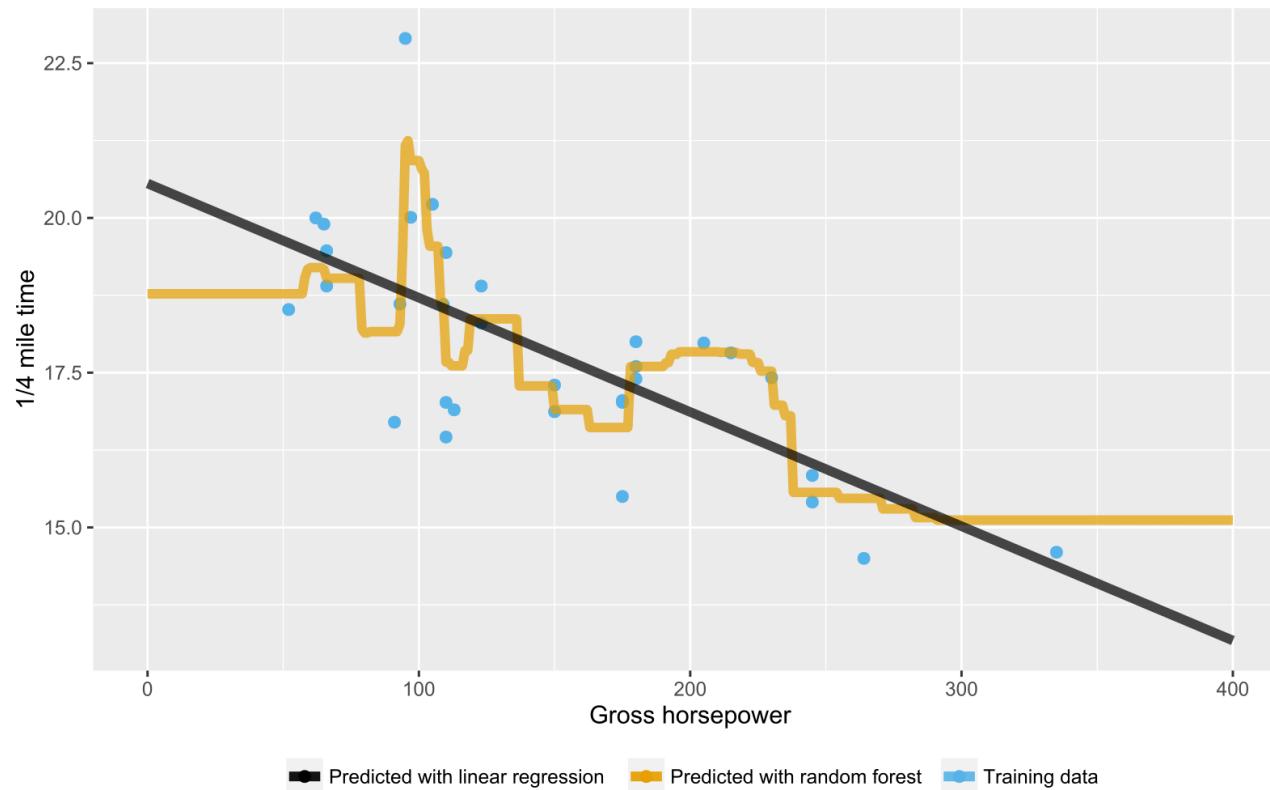
Goal: reduce “data spread” in node

→ use simple statistical measure like “mean square error”

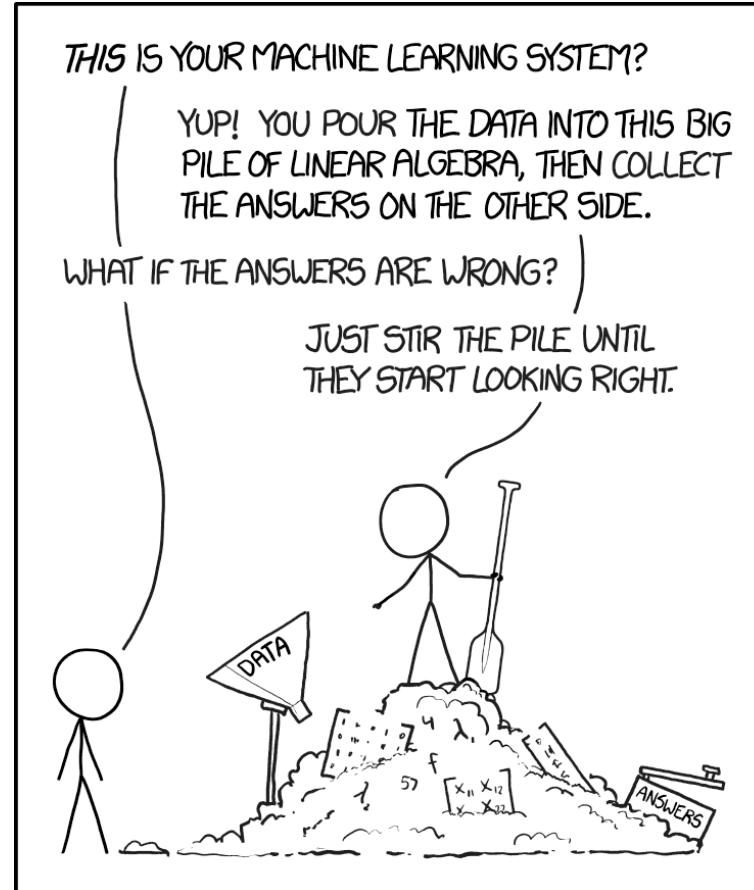
$$MSE : \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in X_n} \|\mu_y - y_i\|^2$$

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Example



Discussion



<https://xkcd.com/1838/>