Setting up your
ML application

Train/dev/test
sets

deeplearning.ai

Applied ML is a highly iterative process

layers

hidden units

learning rates

activation functions

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Idea

Experiment

Code

NLP, Vision, Speech, Structural data

Ads   Search   Security   logistic ....

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Train/dev/test sets

Data

training set

dev | test

test

- Hold-out cross validation
- Development set "dev"

Previous era: 70/30 %

100 - 1000 - 10000

60/20/20 %

Big data: 1,000,000   10,000   10,000

98 / 1 / 1 %

99.5 / .4 / .1 %

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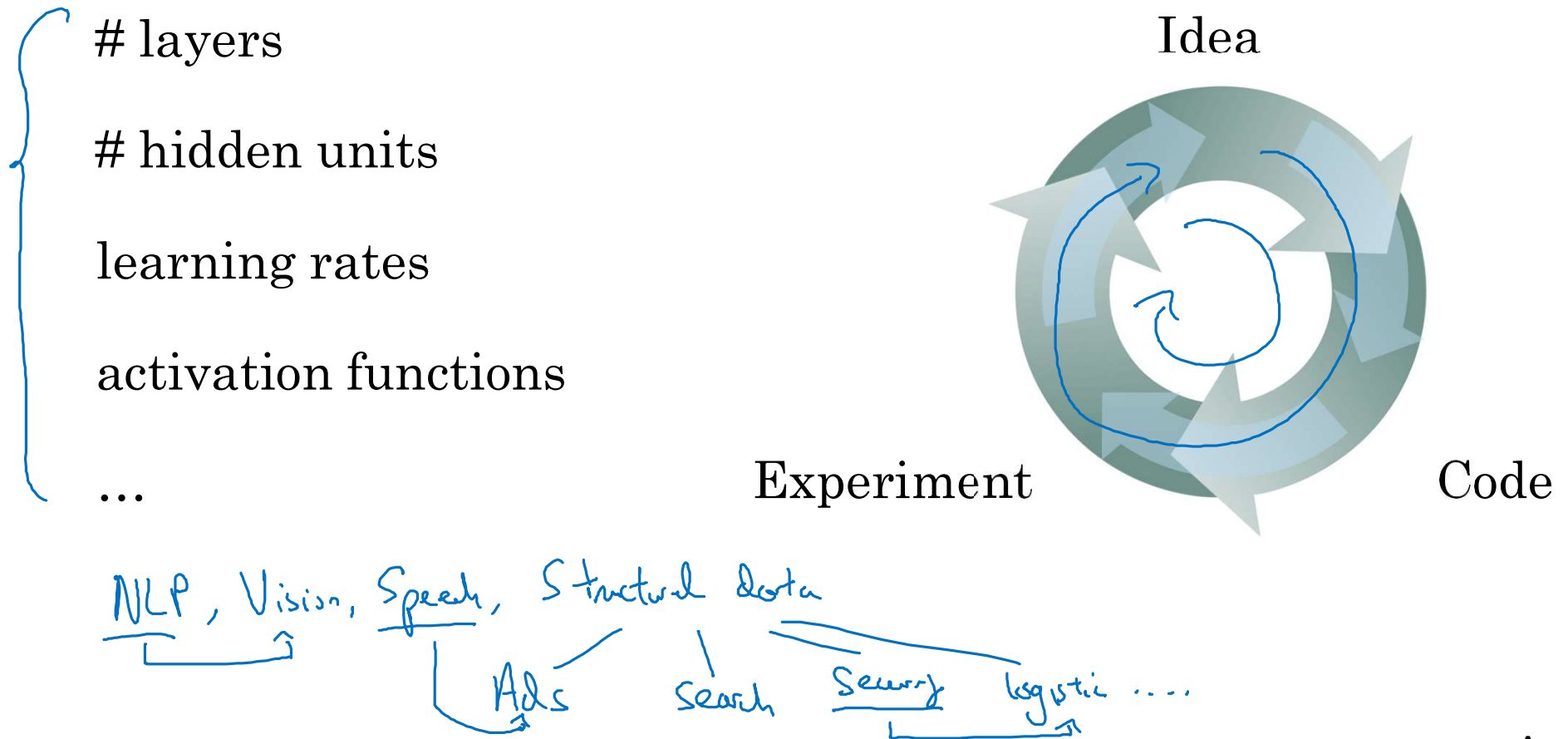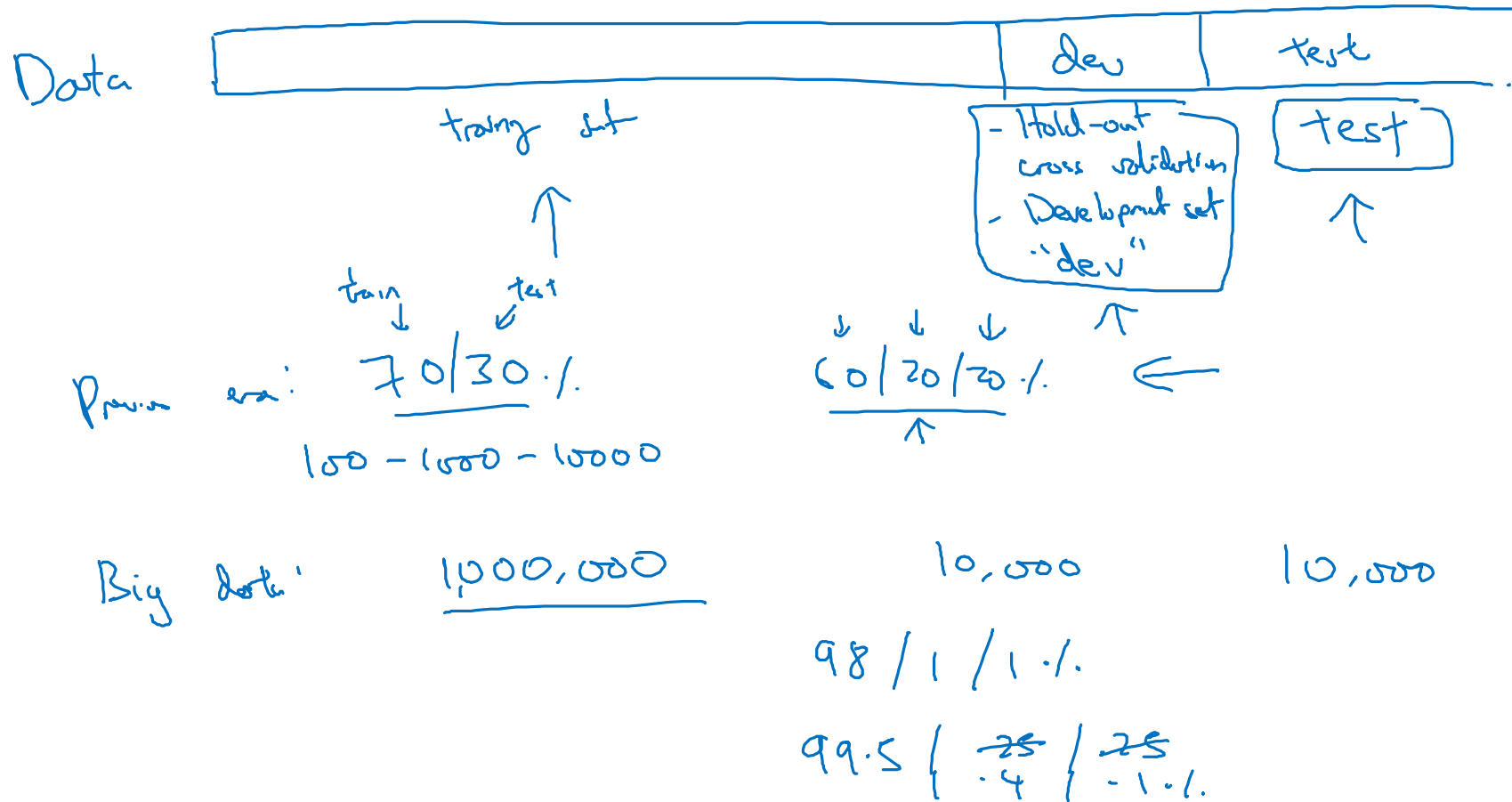
Mismatched train/test distribution

Certs

Training set:
Cat pictures from
webpages

Dev/test sets:
Cat pictures from
users using your app
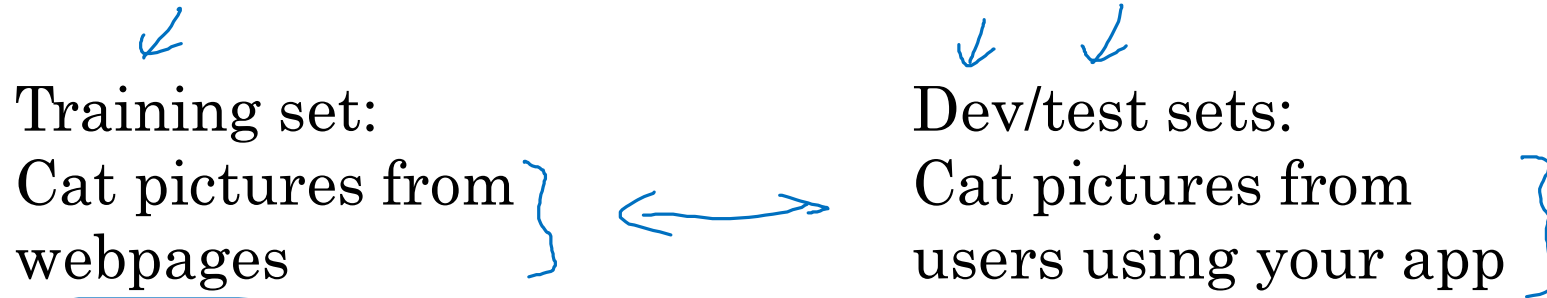
→ Make sure dev and test come from same distribution.

"test"

train / dev

train / test

→ Train / dev
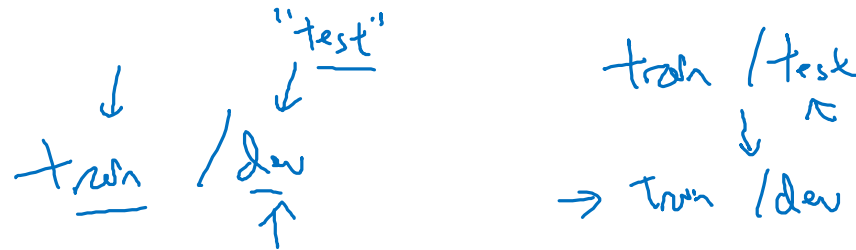
Not having a test set might be okay. (Only dev set.)

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