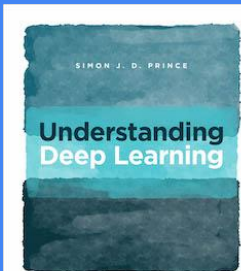
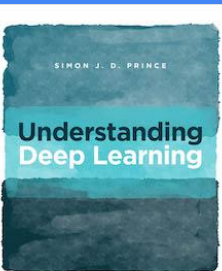


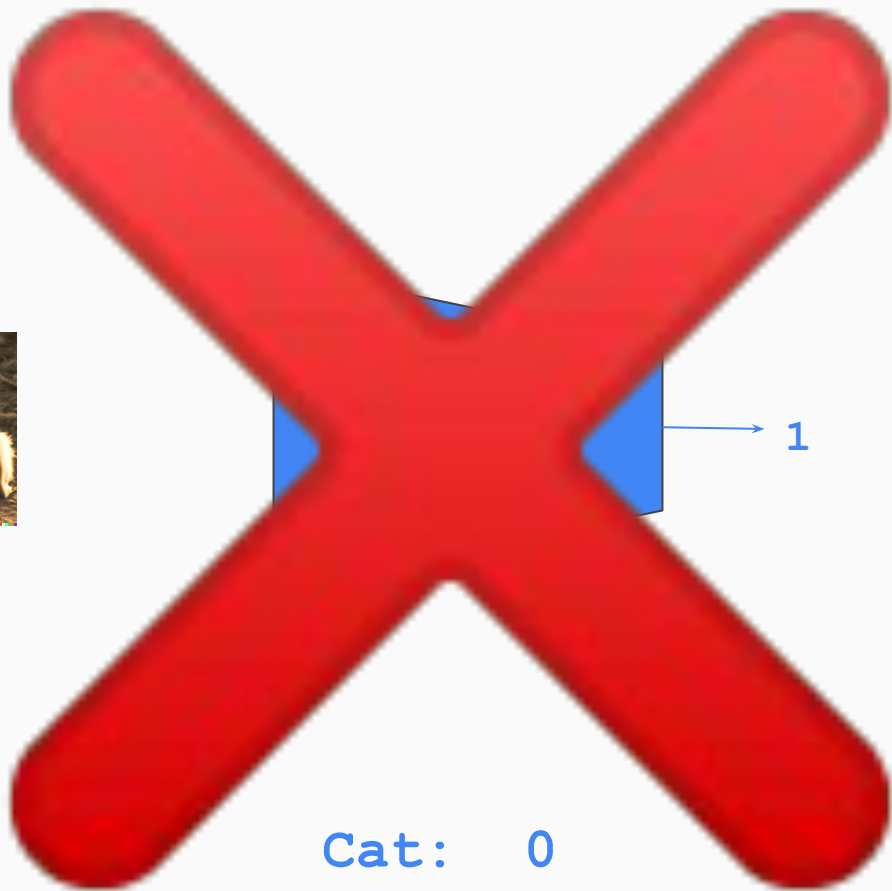
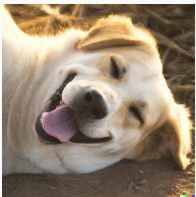
Loss functions



Loss or Cost function

Purpose:

To measure the difference between the predicted values and the actual values (or labels). The larger the difference, the larger the loss.

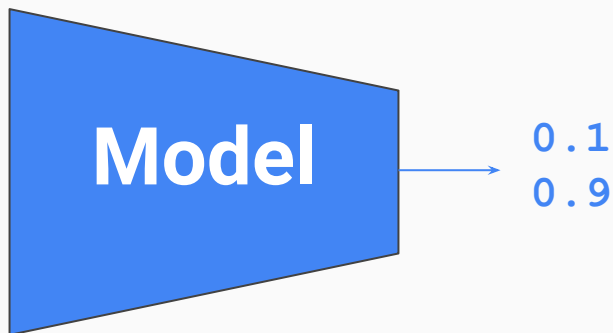
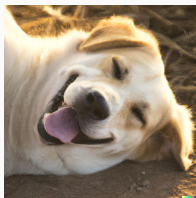


Cat: 0

Dog: 1

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Conditional Probability Distribution



$$P(0 \mid \text{dog}) = 0.1$$

Cat: 0
Dog: 1

$$P(1 \mid \text{dog}) = 0.9$$

Terminology

- Binary Classification $y \in \{0, 1\}$
- multiclass classification $y \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$

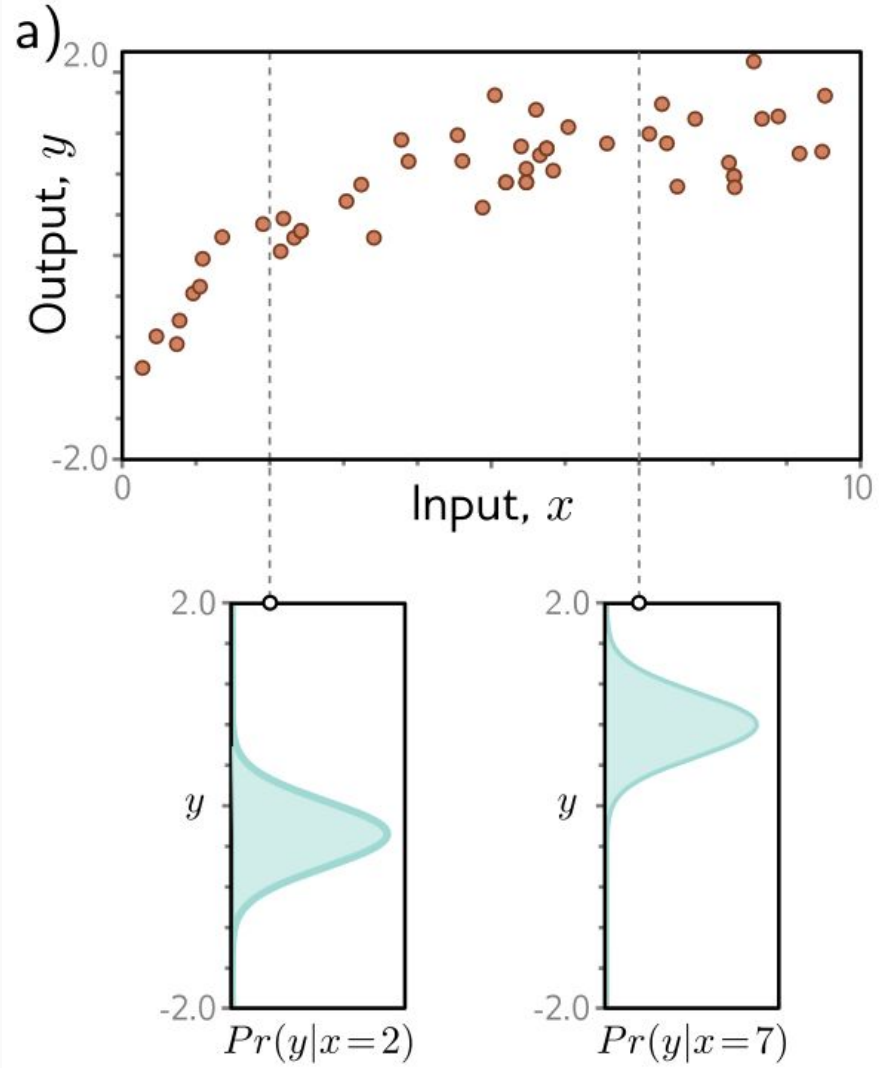
Maximum Likelihood

Conditional probability distribution $P(y|x)$

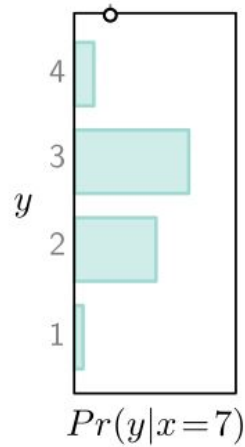
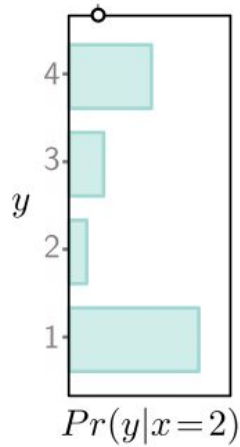
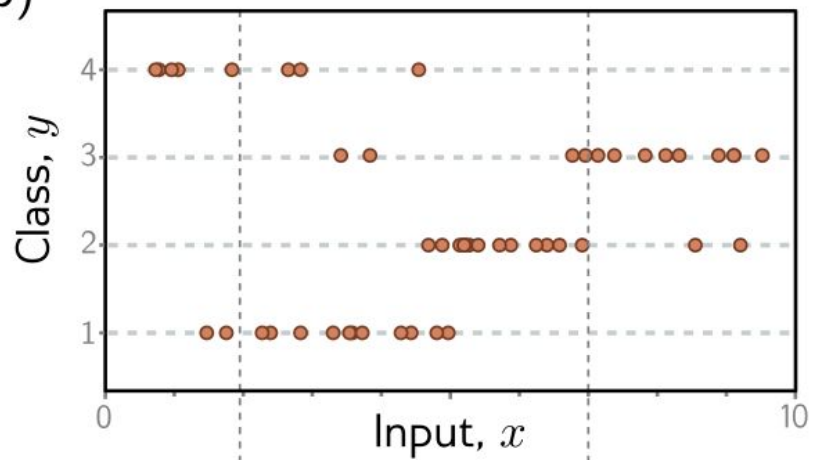
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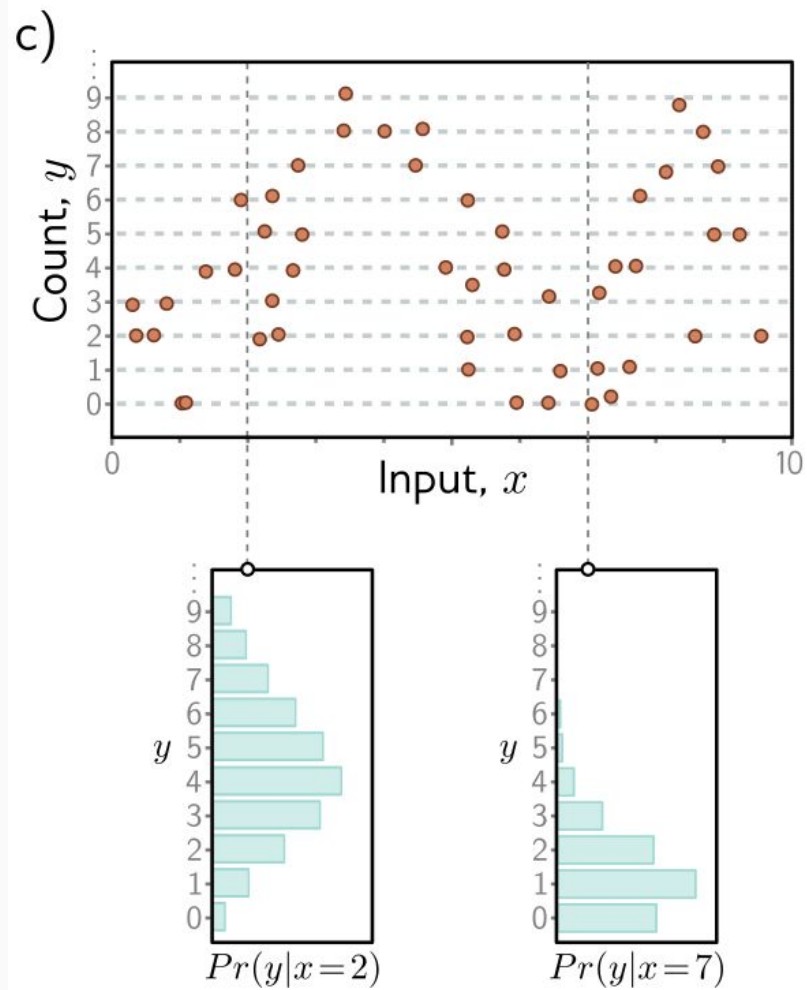
$P(y | \text{img})$



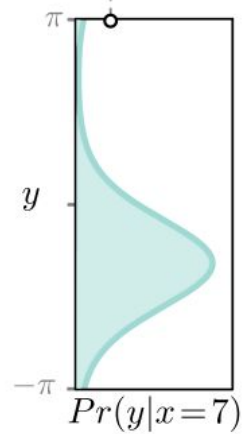
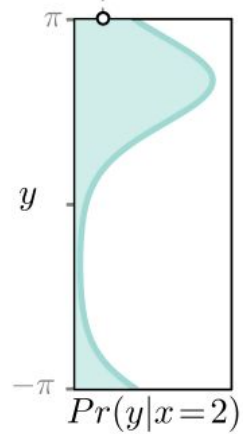
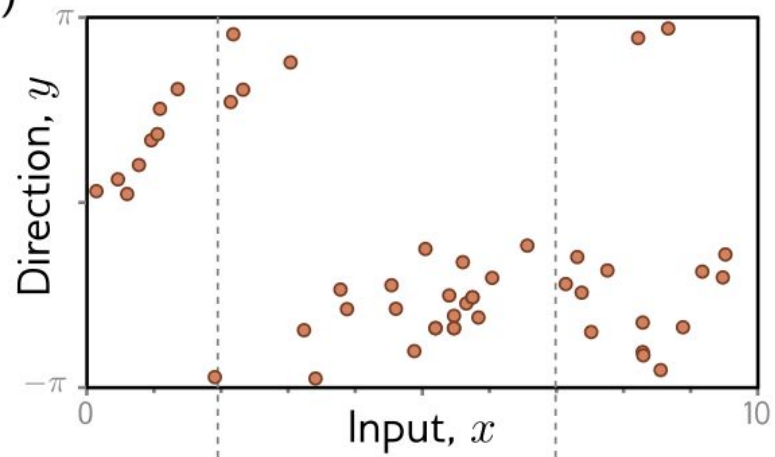


b)





d)



Assumption

- We assume that the data are identically distributed
- We assume that the conditional distributions $\Pr(\mathbf{y}_i | \mathbf{x}_i)$ of the output given the input are independent

$$\Pr(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_I | \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_I) = \prod_{i=1}^I \Pr(\mathbf{y}_i | \mathbf{x}_i)$$

Independent vs Dependent Variable

Loosely speaking:

An independent variable is a variable that is manipulated or categorized to observe its effect on another variable, typically called the dependent variable. In an experiment or study, the **independent variable is adjusted** or separated into categories **to examine its influence on the dependent variable**. By doing this, researchers can test hypotheses or theories and draw conclusions about the relationship between the two variables.

Independent vs Dependent Variables

Mathematically speaking:

An independent variable is a variable that represents a quantity that is being manipulated in an equation, function, or model. The independent variable is often considered as the "input" of a function. When the independent variable is altered, the function's output (the dependent variable) may change as a result.

Example:

$$y = 5x^3 - 2x^2 + 1$$

Independent vs Dependent **Random** Variables

Statistically speaking:

For random variables X and Y , statistical independence can be formally defined in terms of their joint probability distribution. Two random variables X and Y are independent if and only if their joint probability distribution can be expressed as the product of their individual probability distributions

$$P(X_1 = a, X_2 = b) = P(X_1 = a) \times P(X_2 = b)$$

$$P(X_1 = a | X_2 = b) = P(X_1 = a)$$

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Maximum likelihood criterion

$$\hat{\phi} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\phi} \left[\prod_{i=1}^I \operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{y}_i | \mathbf{x}_i) \right]$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{\phi} \left[\prod_{i=1}^I \operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{y}_i | \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{x}_i, \phi]) \right]$$

A few points

- If $f(x^*)$ is the maximum value of $f(x)$, then $\log(f(x^*))$ will be the maximum value of $\log(f(x))$, and it will occur at the same point $x = x^*$
- $\log(a \times b) = \log(a) + \log(b)$
- $\prod_{i=1}^n x_i = x_1 \times x_2 \times \dots \times x_n$

Minimizing negative log-likelihood

$$\hat{\phi} = \underset{\phi}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left[- \sum_{i=1}^I \log \left[\operatorname{Pr}(\mathbf{y}_i | \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{x}_i, \phi]) \right] \right]$$

Note the presence of the - sign and the transition from a maximization to a minimization function

Inference

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{y}} \left[Pr(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{f}[\mathbf{x}, \hat{\phi}]) \right]$$

Cross-entropy loss

Entropy

Entropy measures the **amount of uncertainty or randomness** in a random variable. The entropy $H(X)$ of a discrete random variable X with probability mass function $p(x)$ is given by:

$$H(X) = -\sum_x p(x) \log_2 p(x)$$

Cross-entropy

Given a **true distribution** p and an **estimated distribution** q , the cross-entropy between them is defined as:

$$H(p, q) = \sum_i p(i) \log(q_i)$$

What does it mean

Cross-entropy

If the model's ***predictions*** q are perfect, then $q=p$ and the cross-entropy is simply the entropy of the true distribution p

If the model's predictions deviate from the truth, the cross-entropy will be greater than the entropy of p , with the difference indicating the extent of that deviation.

KL divergence

$$D_{\text{KL}}(P \parallel Q) = - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P(x) \log \left(\frac{Q(x)}{P(x)} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\text{KL}}(P \parallel Q) &= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log \frac{1}{q(x)} - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log \frac{1}{p(x)} \\ &= H(P, Q) - H(P) \end{aligned}$$