

CEE 697M: Big Data and Machine Learning for Engineers

Lecture 1d: Decision and Information Theories

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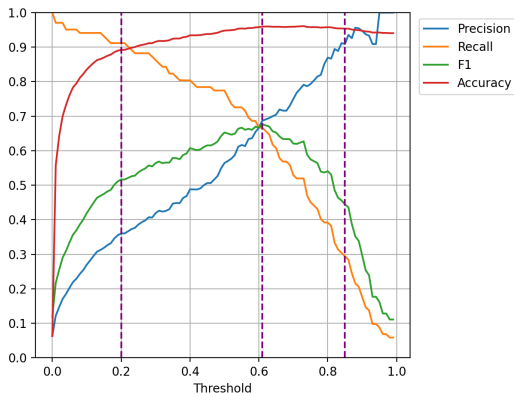
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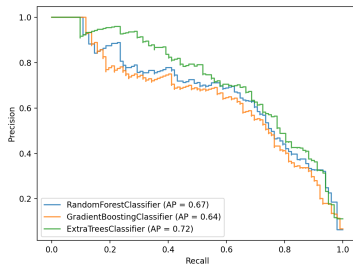
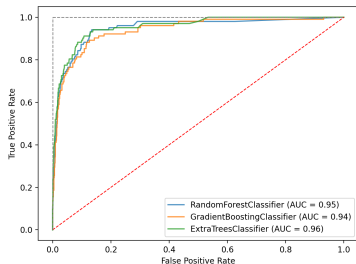
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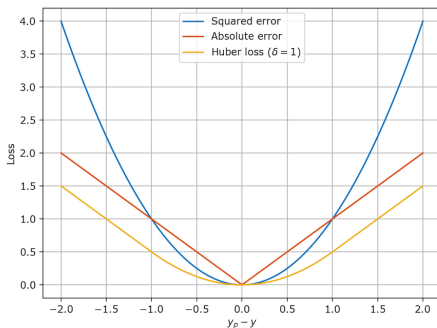
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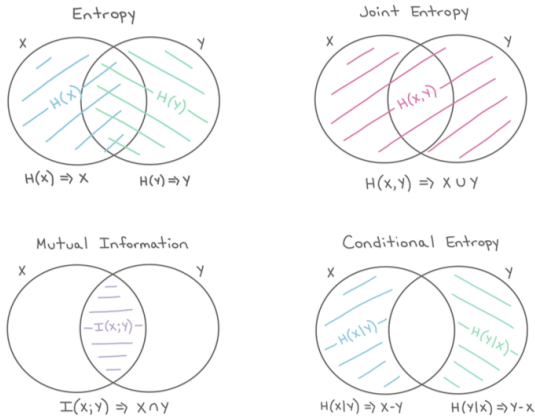
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Reading assignments

- **PMLI** 5.1–5.4; 6.1–6.3
- **ESL** 7.1–7.7, 7.10–12