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Learning Systems (DT8008)

Introduction to Machine Learning

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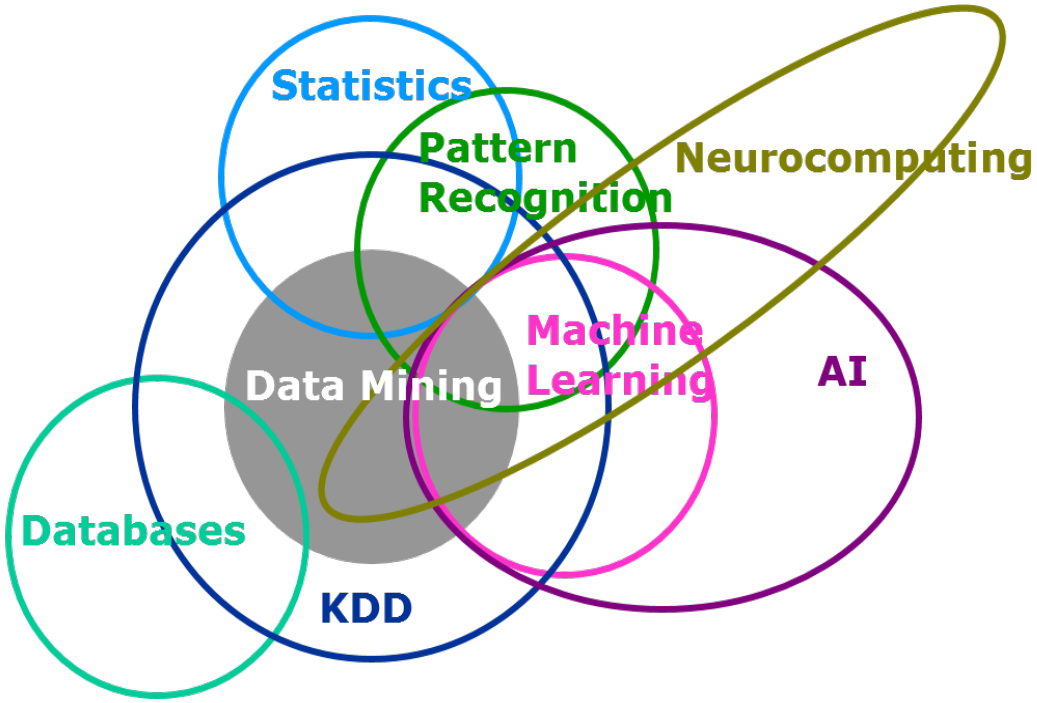
- **Machine Learning**: Field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed with rules.



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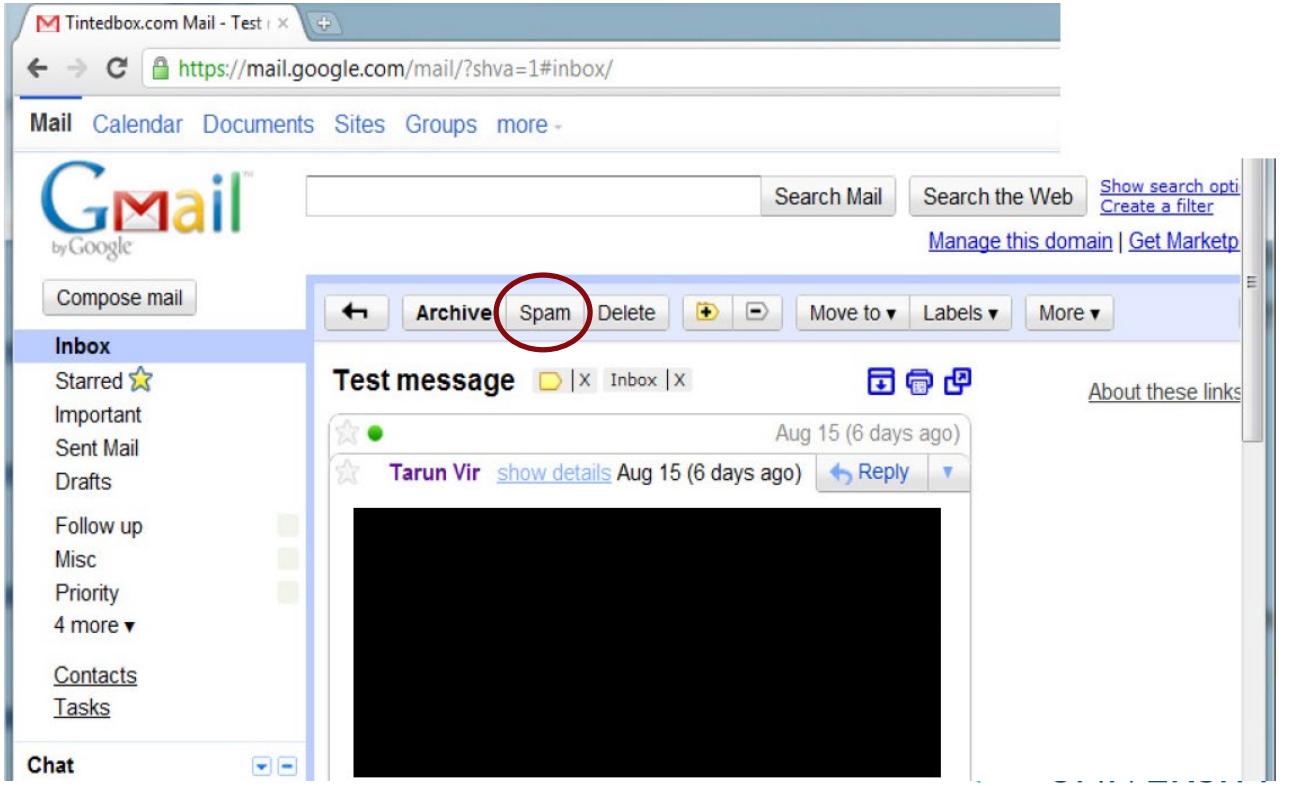

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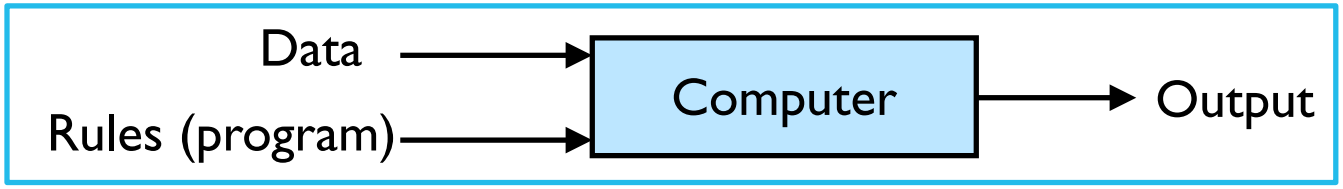
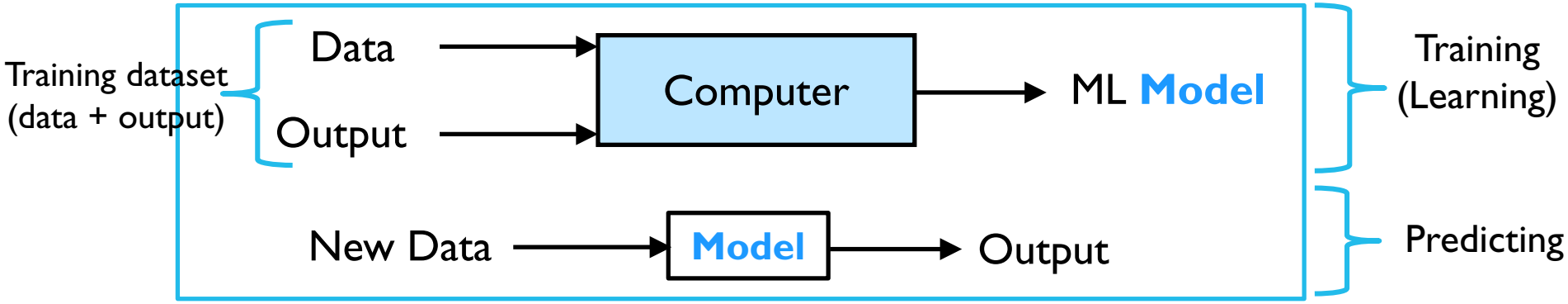


- **(Supervised) Machine learning**



- Machine learning algorithms build a **model** from the **training data**, then uses this model to make **predictions** or decisions without being explicitly programmed to perform the task.

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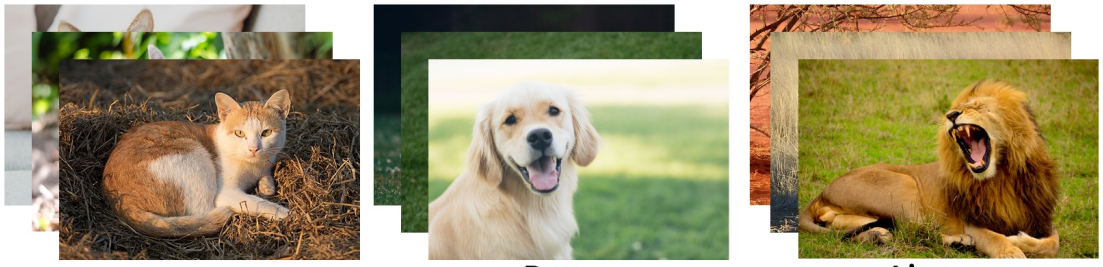

Example:
The data consist of images …

The output consists of labels (Cat, Dog or Lion)

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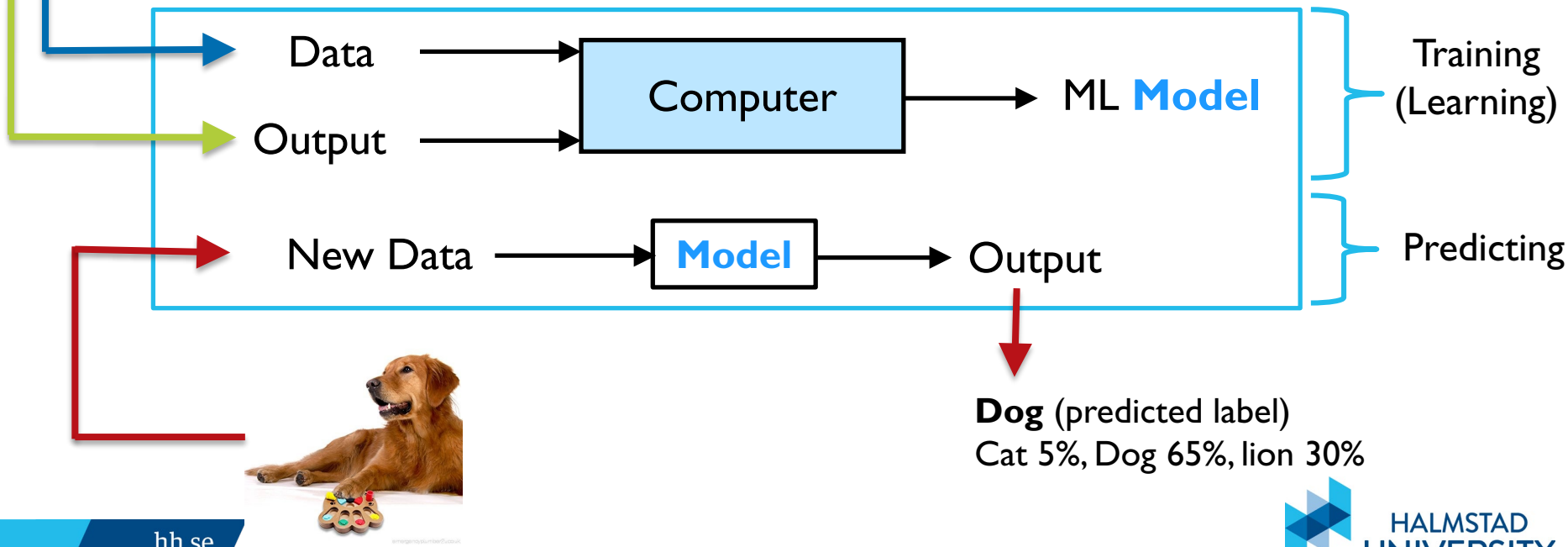

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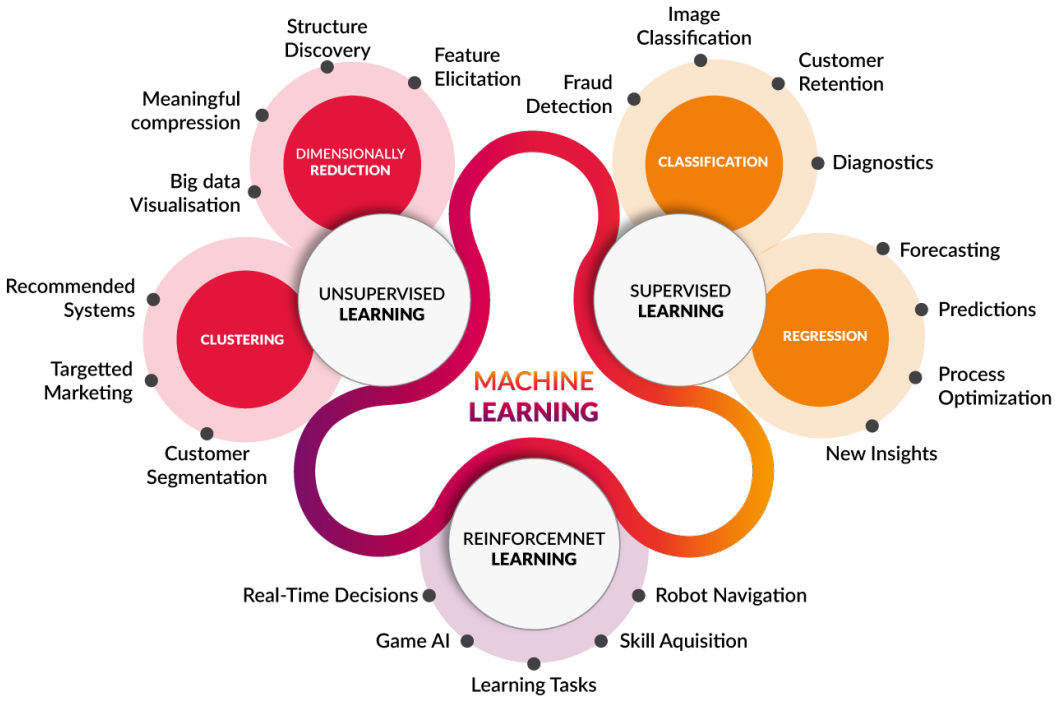
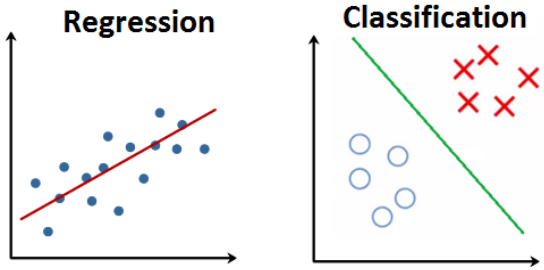
Machine learning types:
- Supervised learning
- Unsupervised learning
- Others
  - Reinforcement learning
  - Semi-supervised learning
  - Active learning
  - etc.



Supervised ML:
Training data includes desired outputs.



Unsupervised ML:
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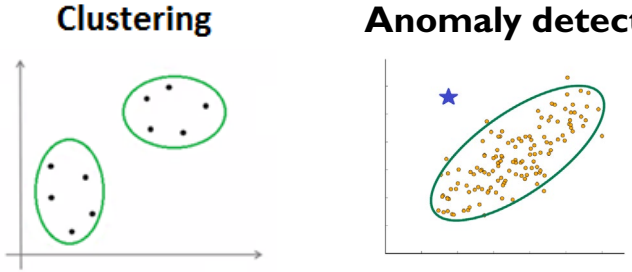

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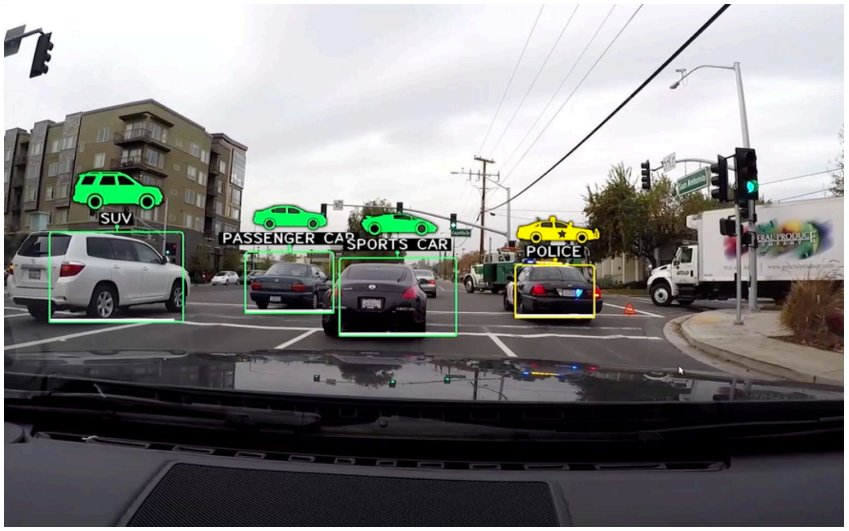
Question

- You want to do some task …
  - e.g. predicting if an email is a spam or not.
- Why would you need machine learning?
- Why don't you just explicitly program/write rules to perform the task (without ML) ?
  - e.g. if the email is from an unknown sender and contains keywords such as
    - "*send x usd*", "*only for you*", "*invest now*", "your computer is compromised" …
  - then it's a spam

Example (self-driving car)

Consider the following problem:

- You have a camera on your car that periodically captures images of the road and send them to your app.
- You want your app to recognize what is present on each image (pedestrians, bikes, other cars, etc …)



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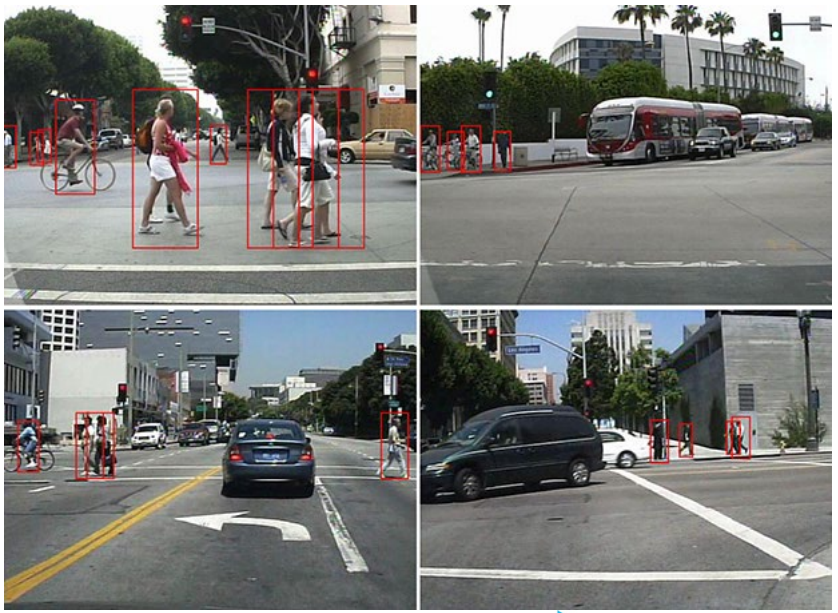

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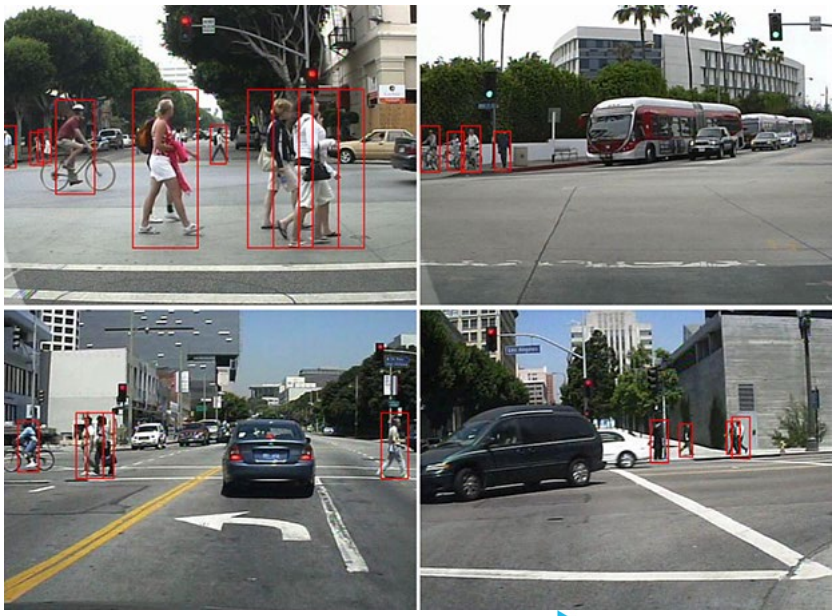

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Regression problems

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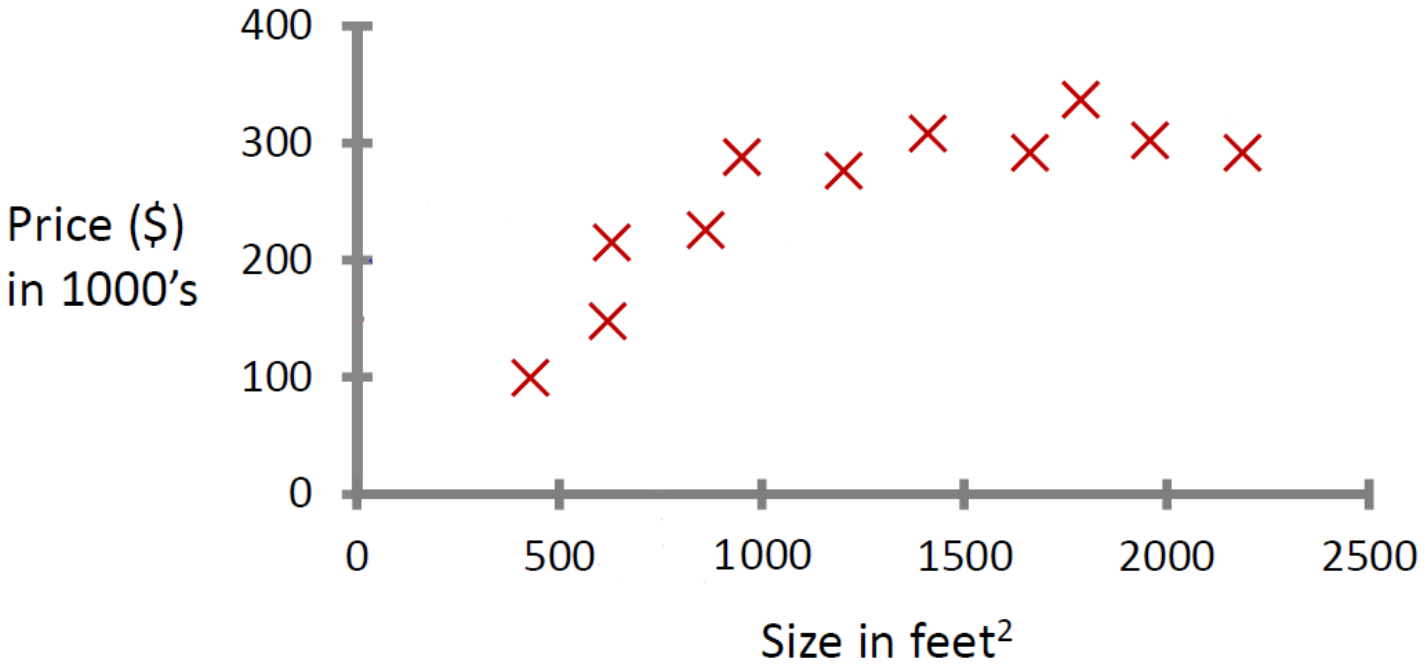

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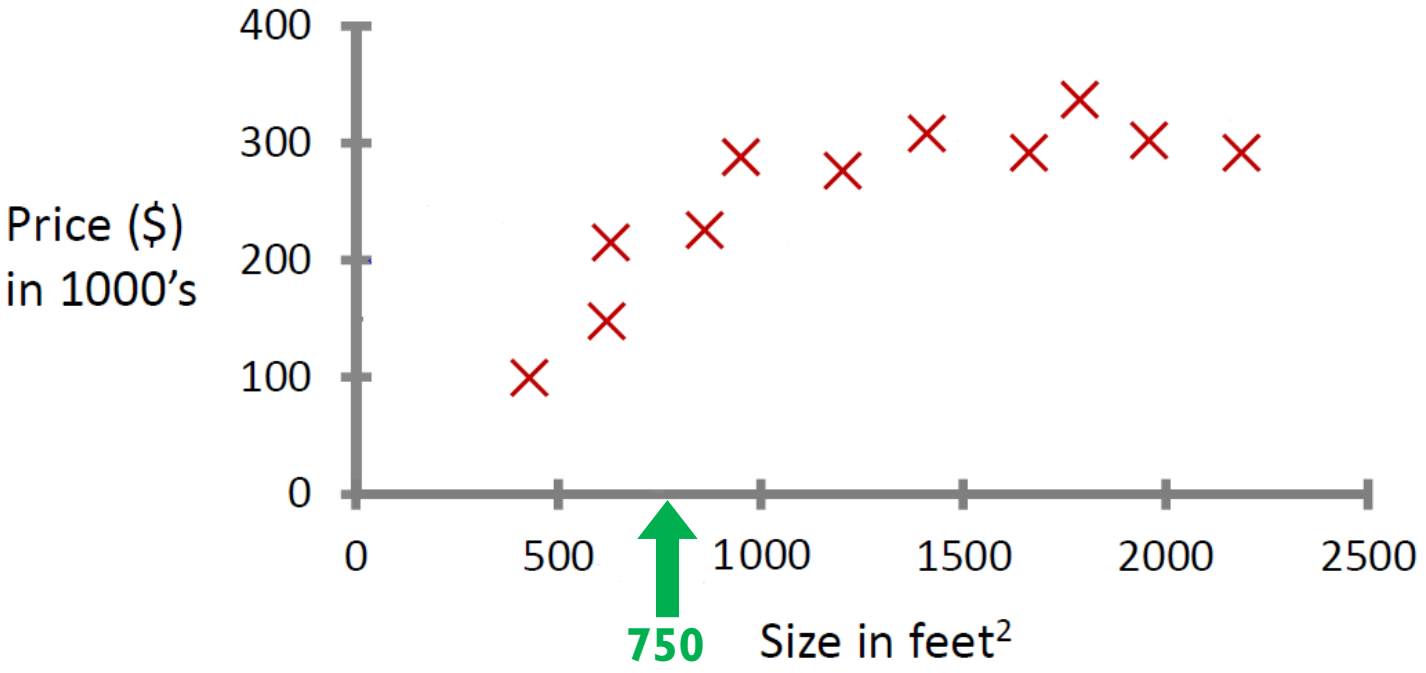
- Housing price prediction (regression)
  - Suppose that you want to sell a house of **size 750 feet²** and want to know how much you can get for this house, i.e. **predict its price**.
  - How can a learning algorithm help you?



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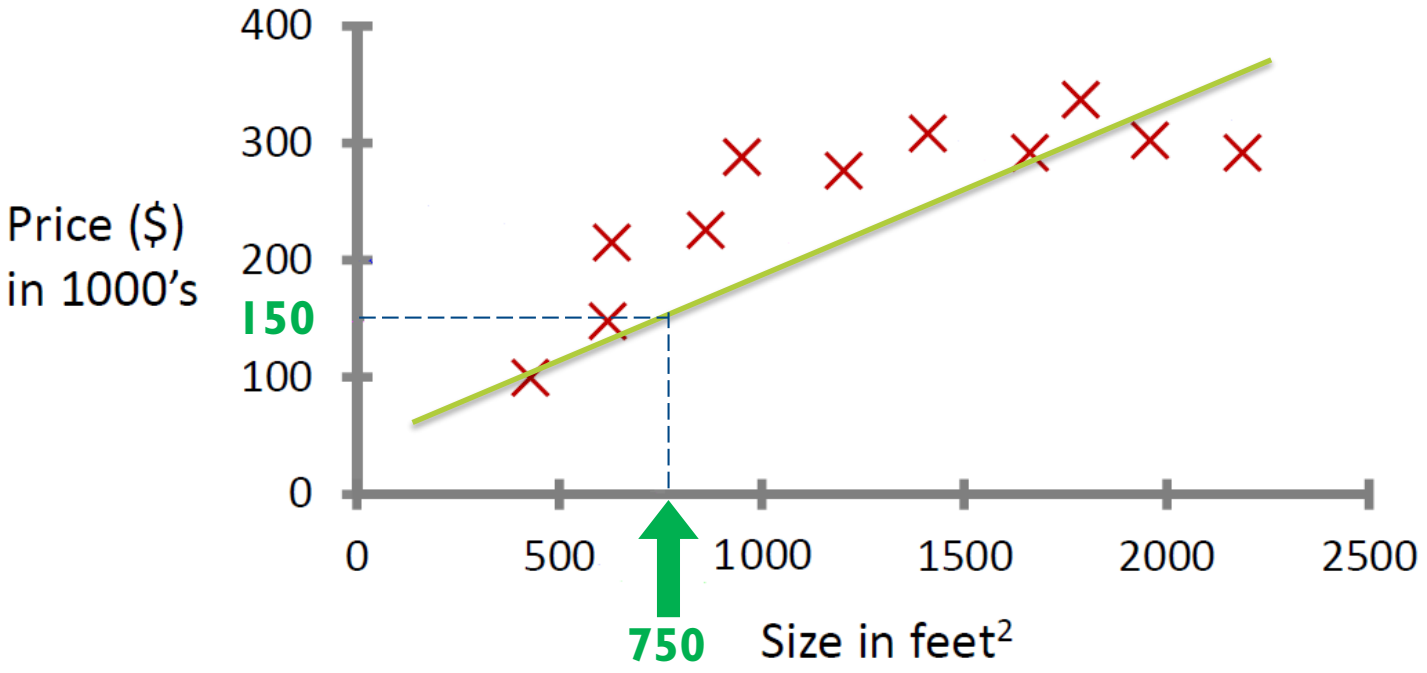

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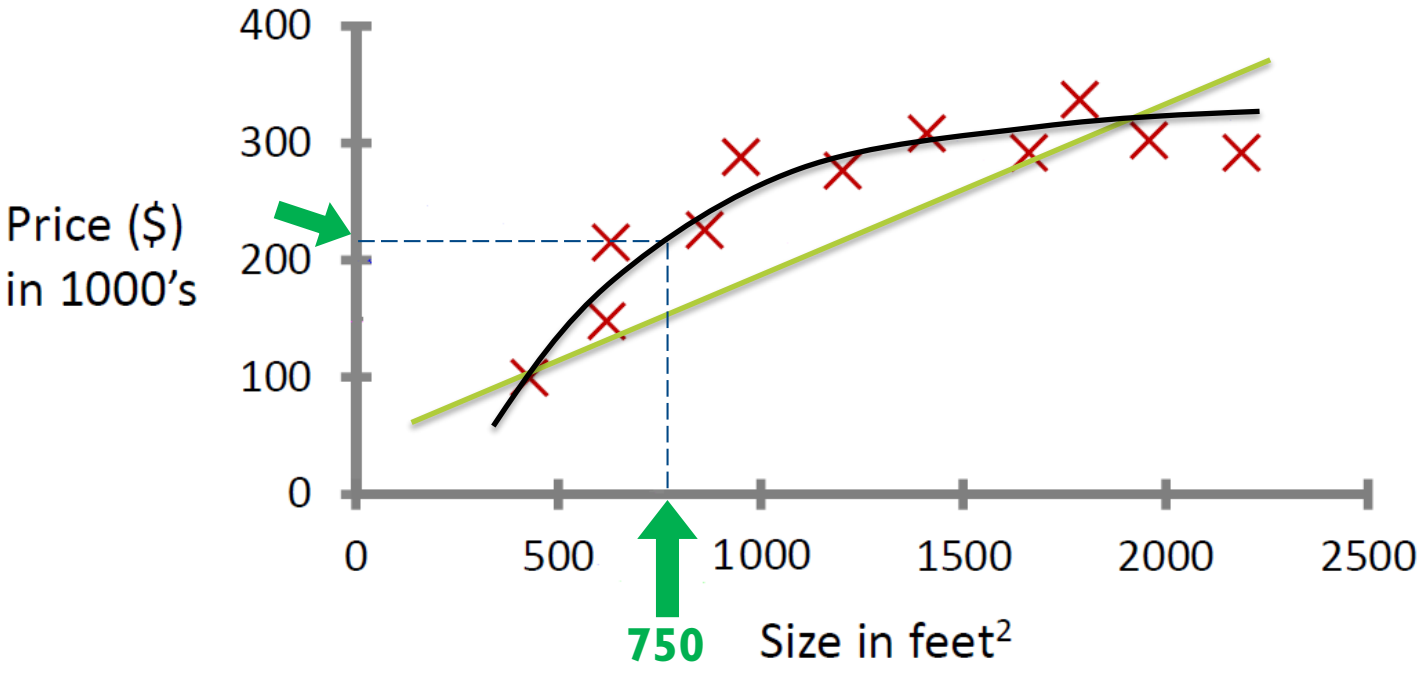

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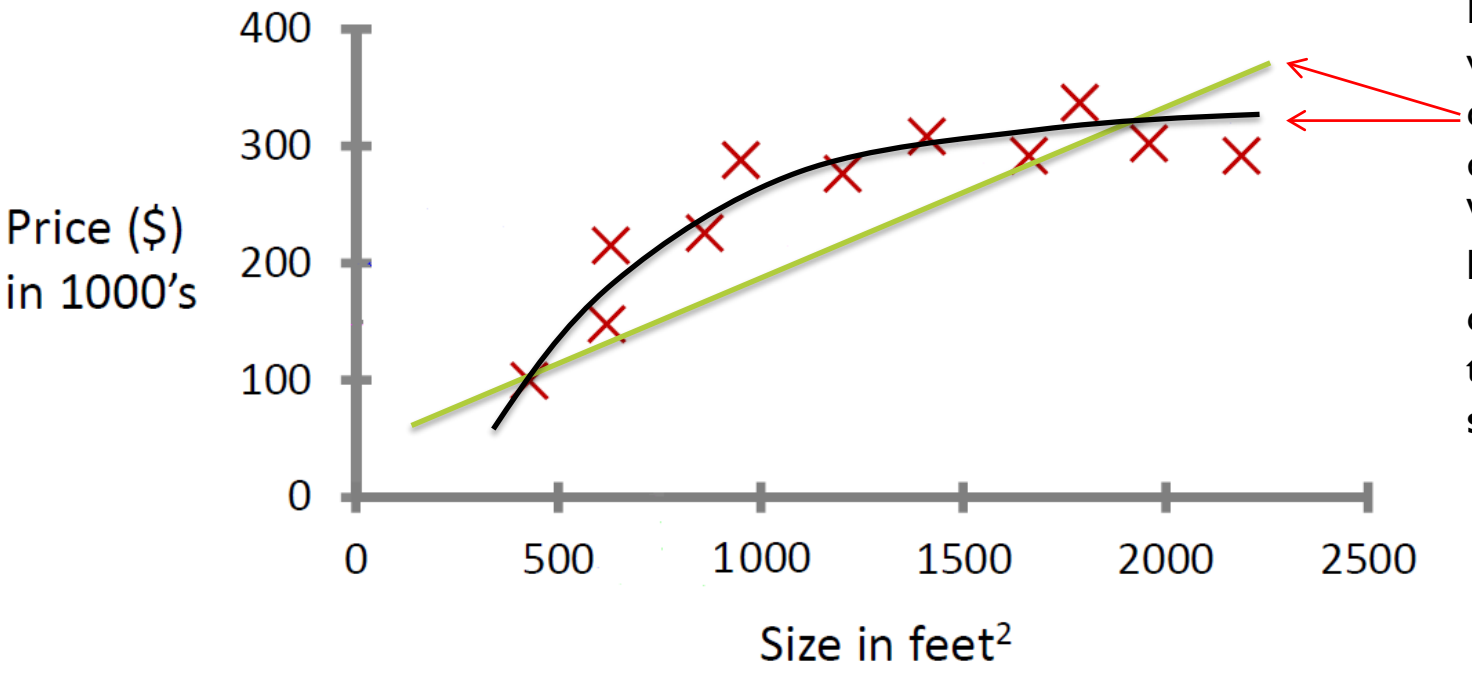

How to decide which model to choose for this dataset ?
We will see this later in the course when we talk about **model selection** …

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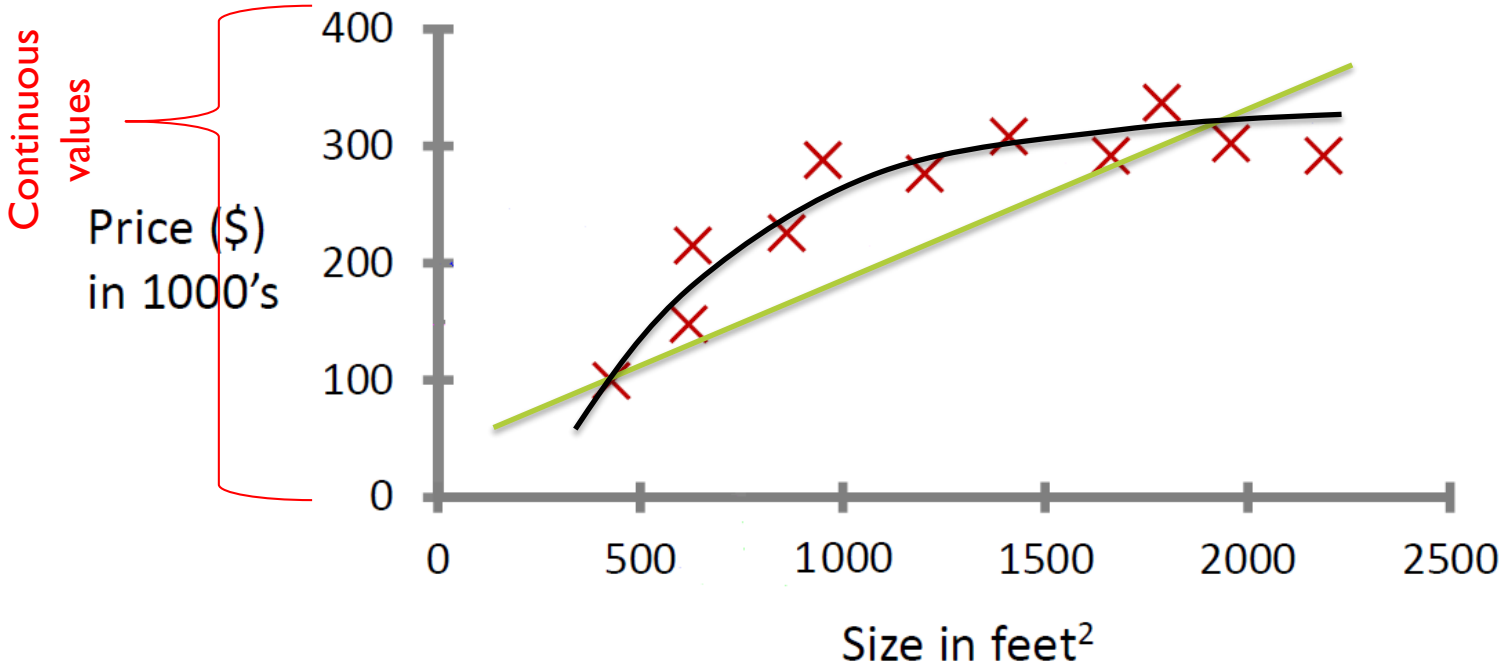
  - ❑ This is an example of a **supervised learning** algorithm:
    - The right answers (here, the prices) are given in the training dataset.
  - ❑ More specifically, this example was a **regression problem**:
    - Predicting a continuous valued output (price).



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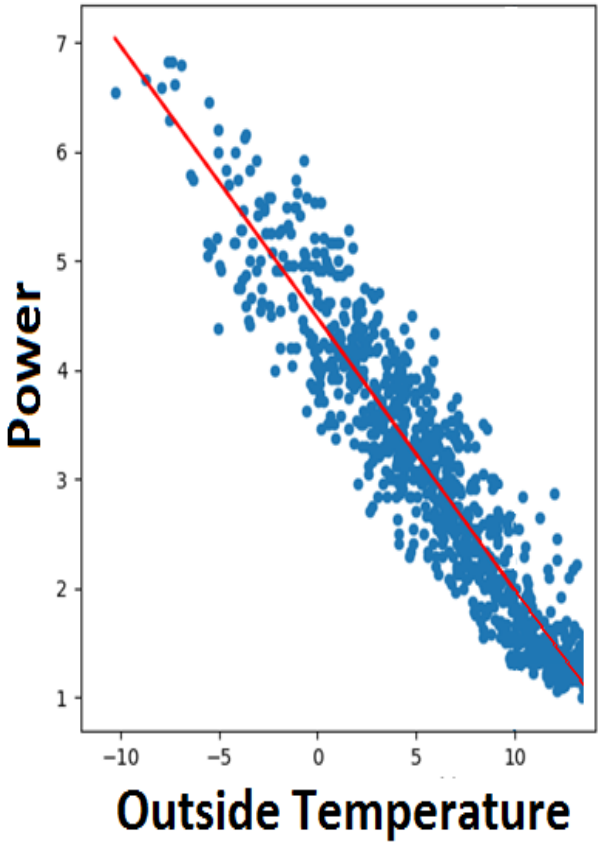

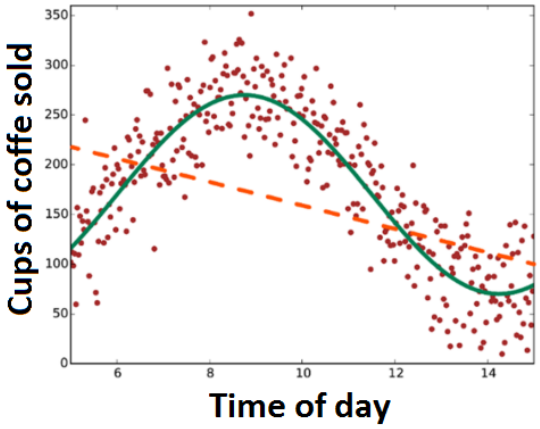

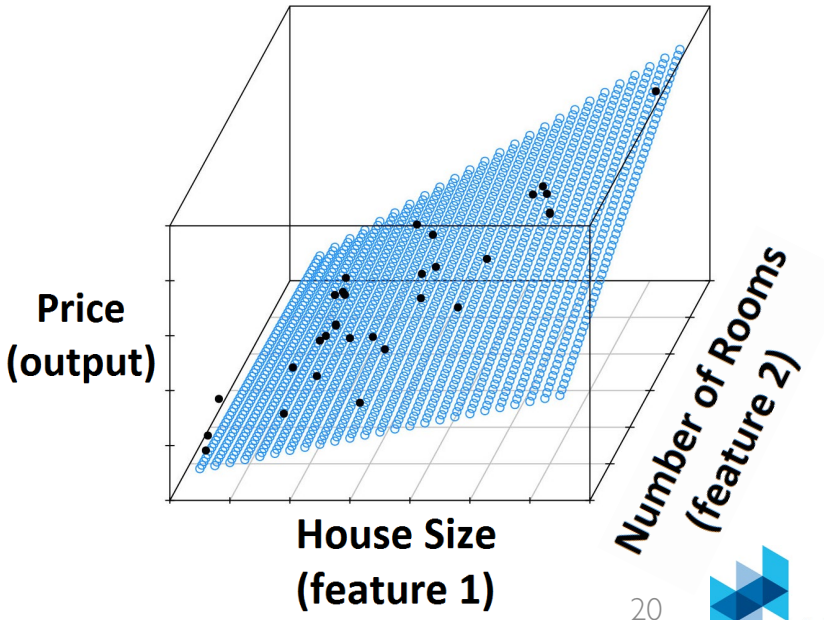

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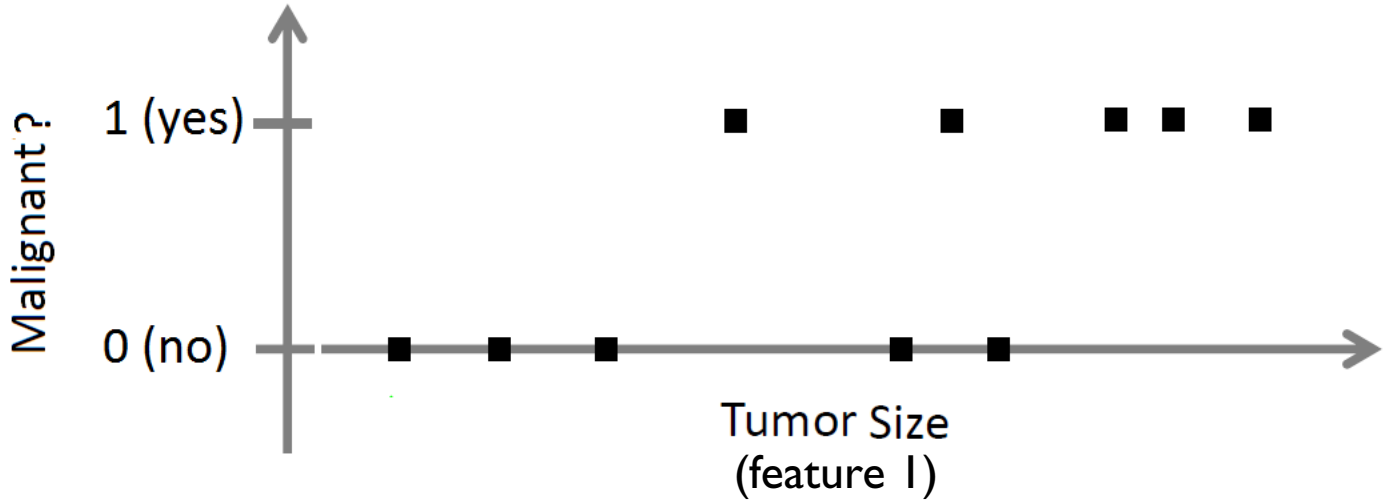

We only have discrete output values (in this example: 1 or 0)

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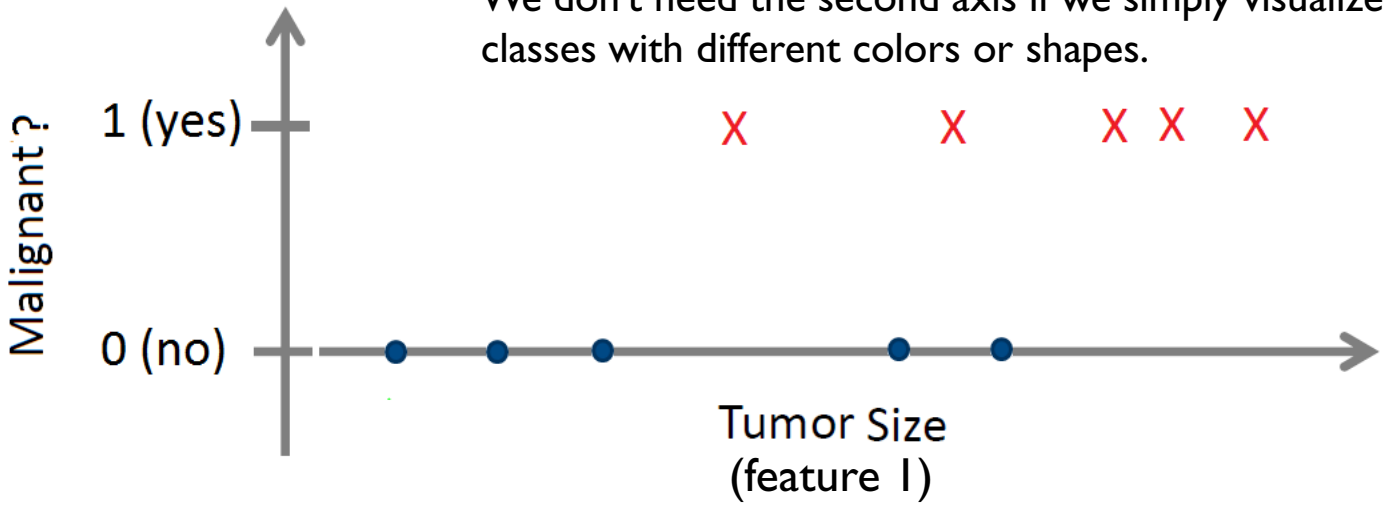
We don't need the second axis if we simply visualize the classes with different colors or shapes.



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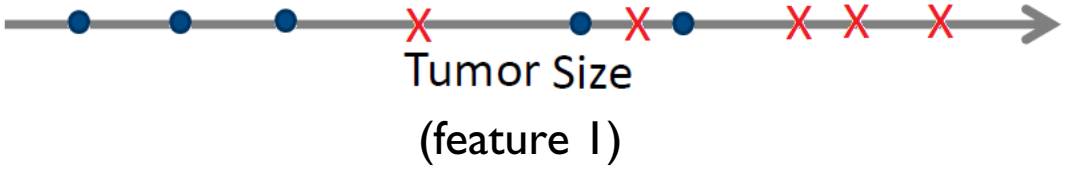

Only one axis

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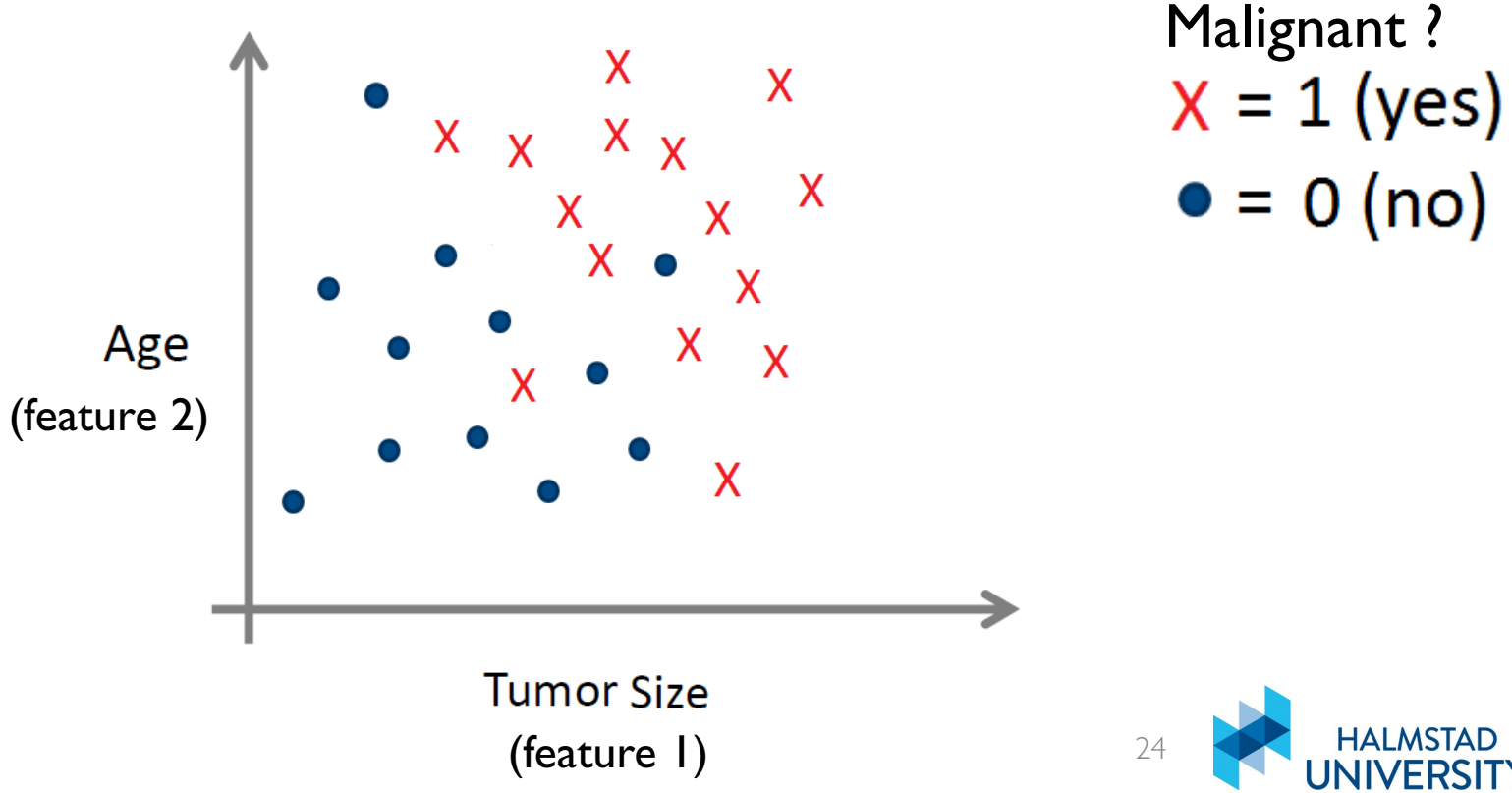
  - The patients data can be characterized by more than one feature
    - e.g. Tumor size and Age …



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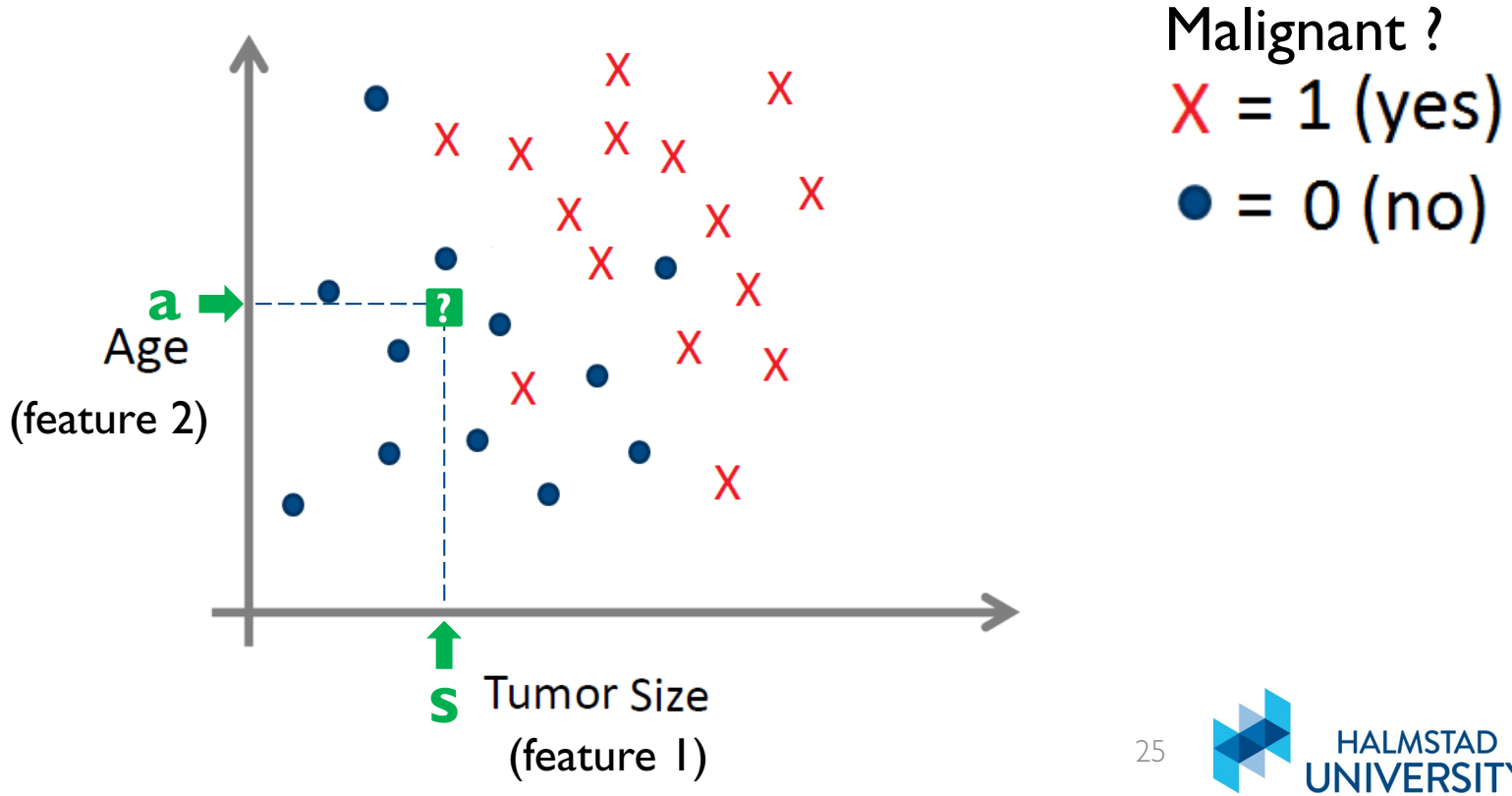
  - Suppose that you get a new patient who has some tumor size **s** and age **a**, and you want to predict if it is malignant or benign. How can a learning algorithm help you?



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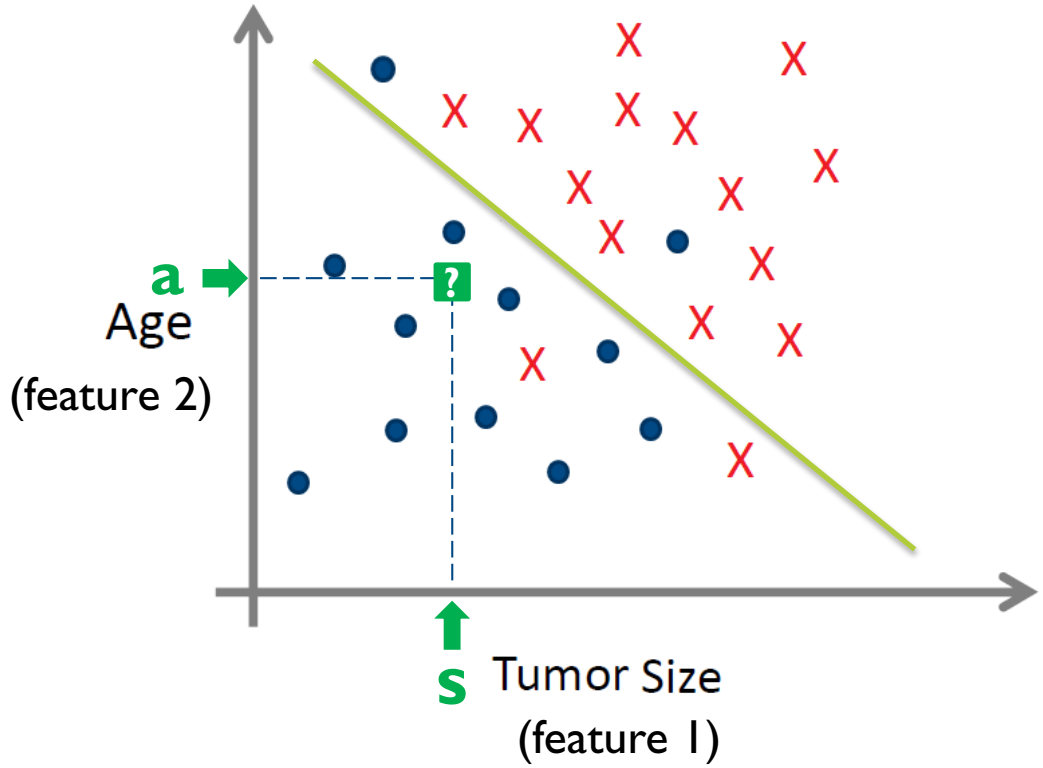

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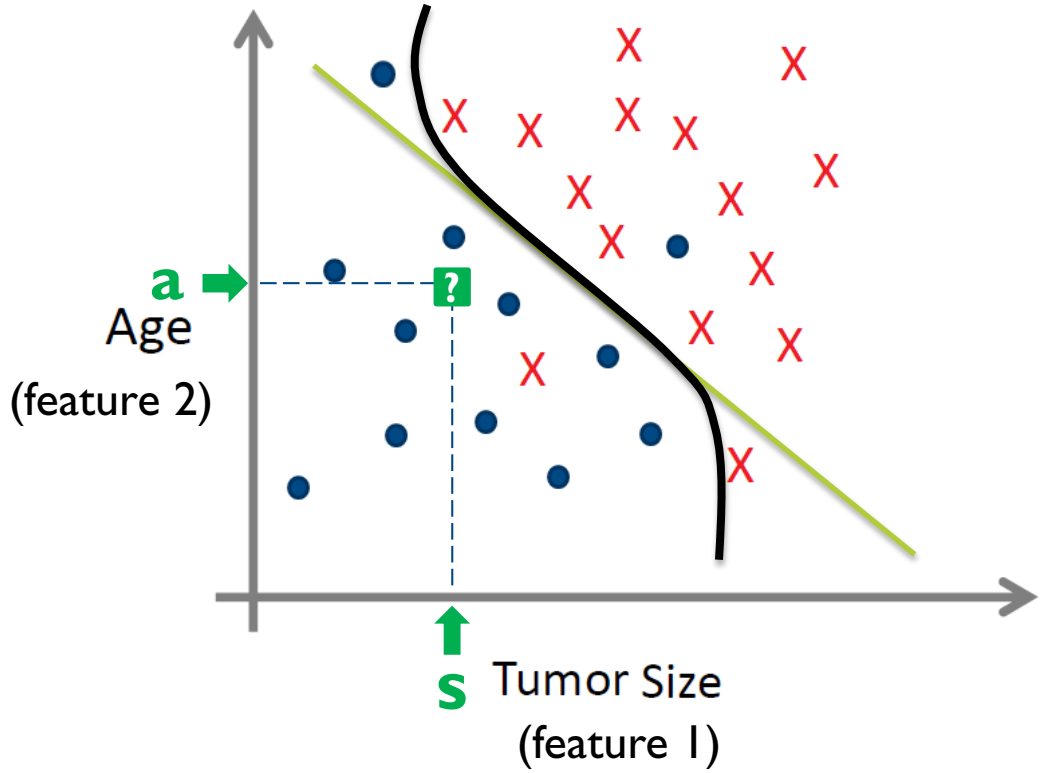

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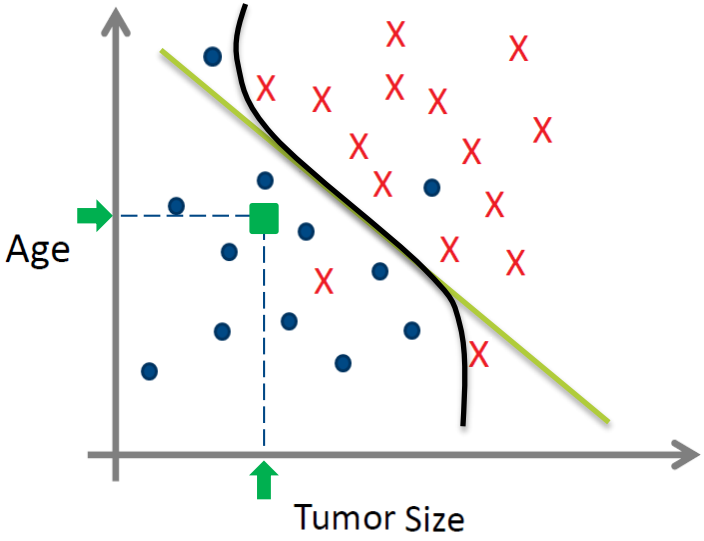
  - The right answers (here, the classes malignant / benign) are given with the training dataset.
  - i.e. for each patient (data-point) in the training dataset, we know if he is has a malignant or benign cancer.

❑ However, this example was a **classification problem**:
  - Predicting a discrete valued output (malignant / benign).



Note: In this example we had two features (age, size), but we will see ML algorithms that can easily deal with a much larger number of features …

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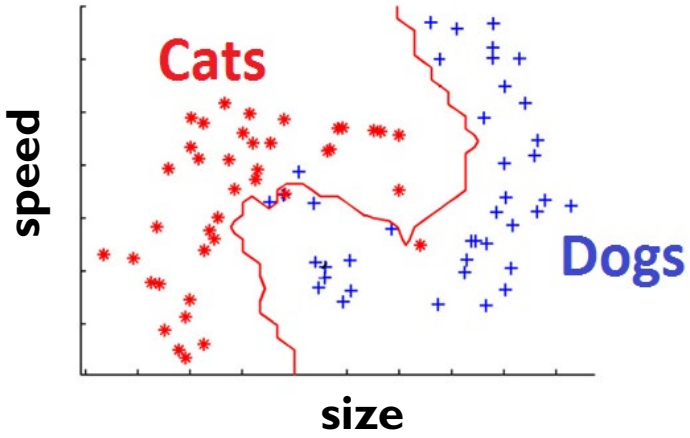
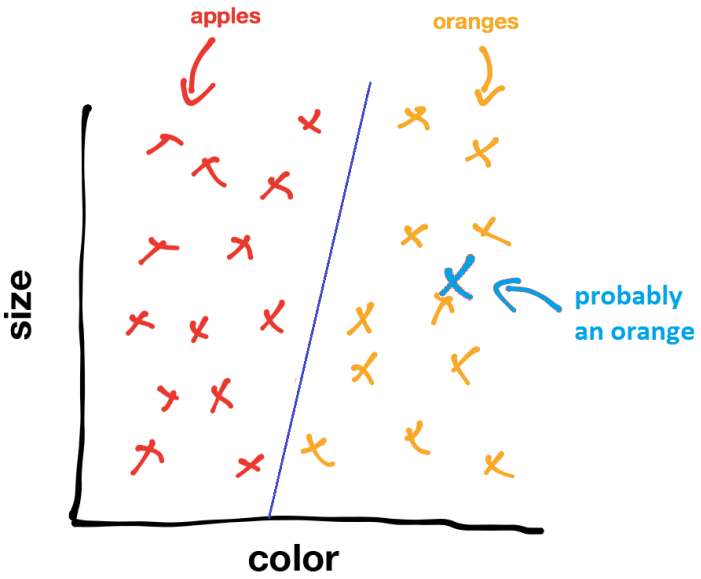
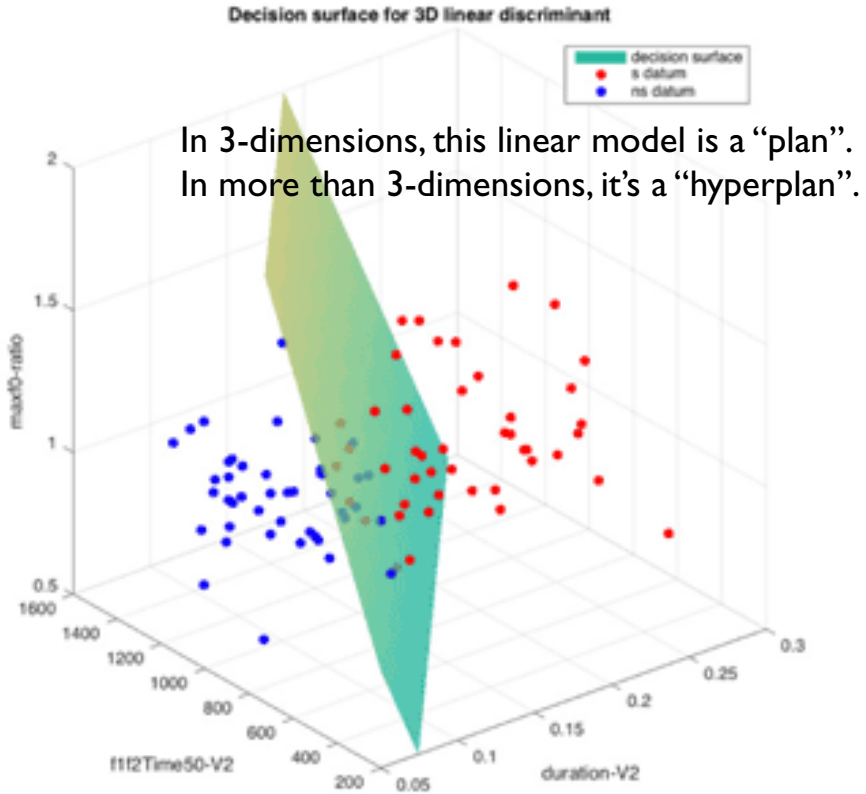
Other classification examples





- Classification is about learning decision boundaries, and predicting the "class" of new data-point.



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Difference between Regression and Classification

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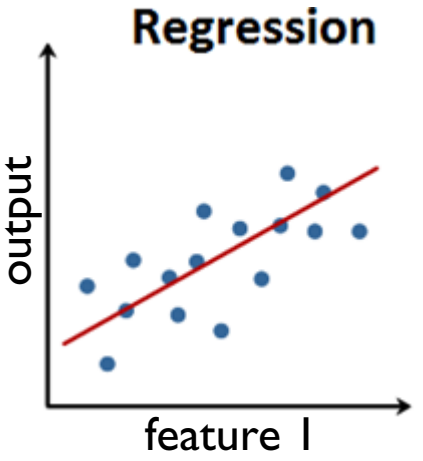
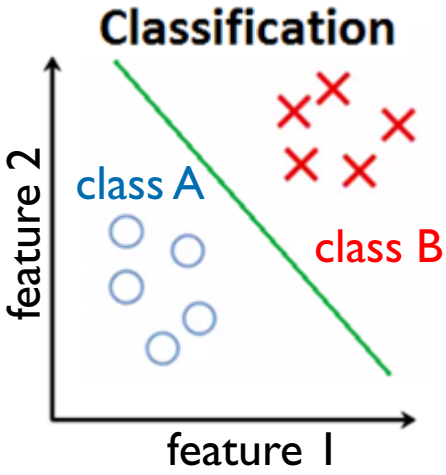
Regression:

- The output (i.e. target variable) is continuous. It consist of real values.
  - predicting the price of houses (in SEK)
  - predicting the power consumption (in kW)
  - predicting how much healthy is the patient (e.g. ∈ [0, 1])
  - etc.



Classification:

- The output (i.e. target variable) is discrete. It consists of classes (or categories).
  - predicting if an image contains a cat or a dog
  - predicting customer categories
  - good/bad, healthy/sick, red/green/blue, A/B/C/D, 0/1/2 …
  - etc.



Difference between Regression and Classification

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- **Problem 2**:
  - You'd like software to examine individual customer accounts, and for each account decide if it has been hacked/compromised.

- Should you treat these as *classification* or as *regression* problems?
  - Treat both as *classification* problems.
  - Treat *problem 1* as a *classification* problem, *problem 2* as a *regression* problem.
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Difference between Regression and Classification

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- **Problem 1**: The output is the number of items. Time is a feature here.
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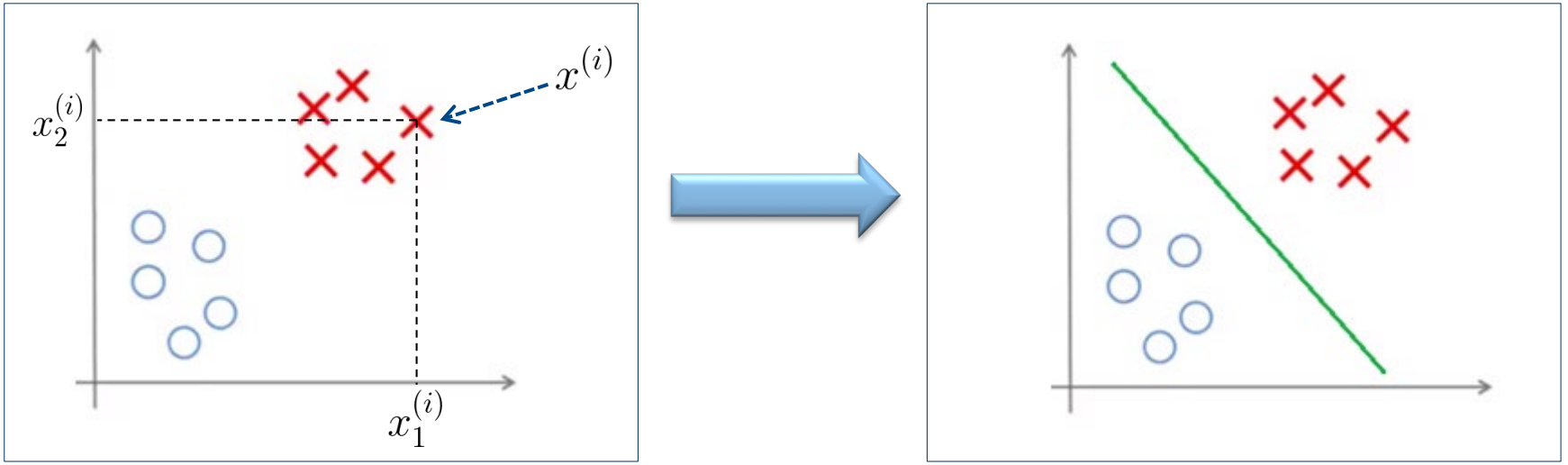

So, for each data-point $x^{(i)} \in R^2$, we have the corresponding class-label $y^{(i)} \in \{\times, \circ\}$

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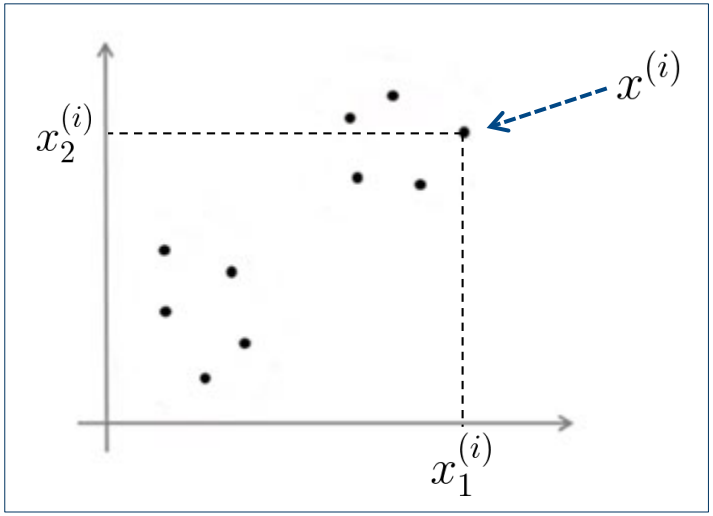

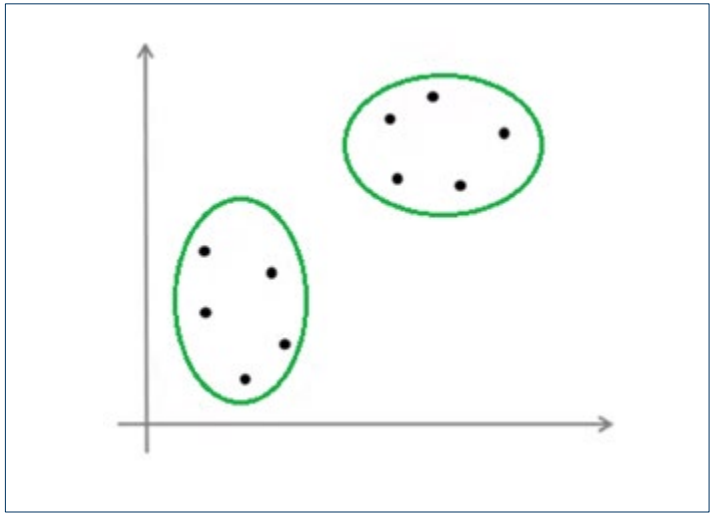

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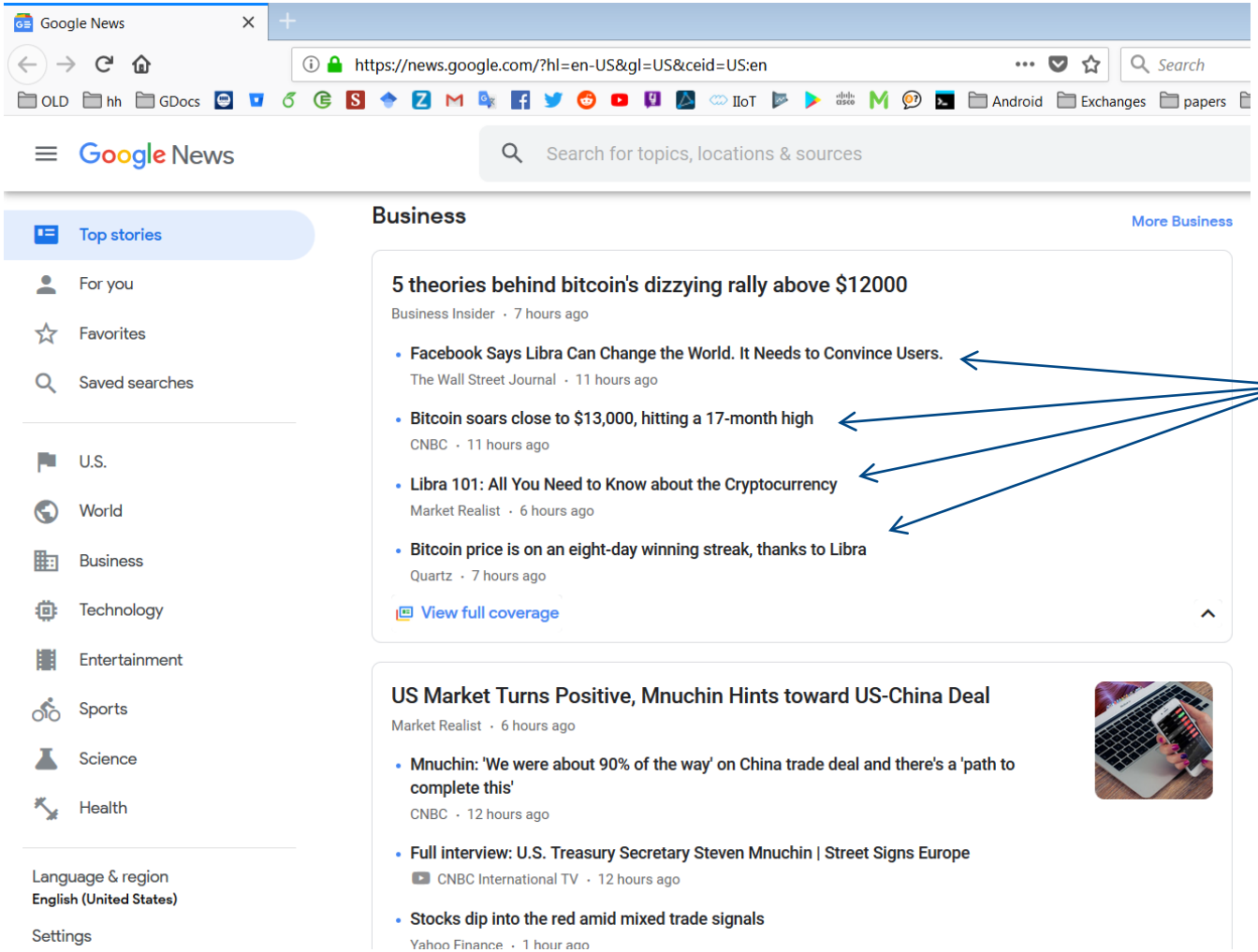

Automatically grouping together the stories (news articles on the Web) that talk about the same topic.

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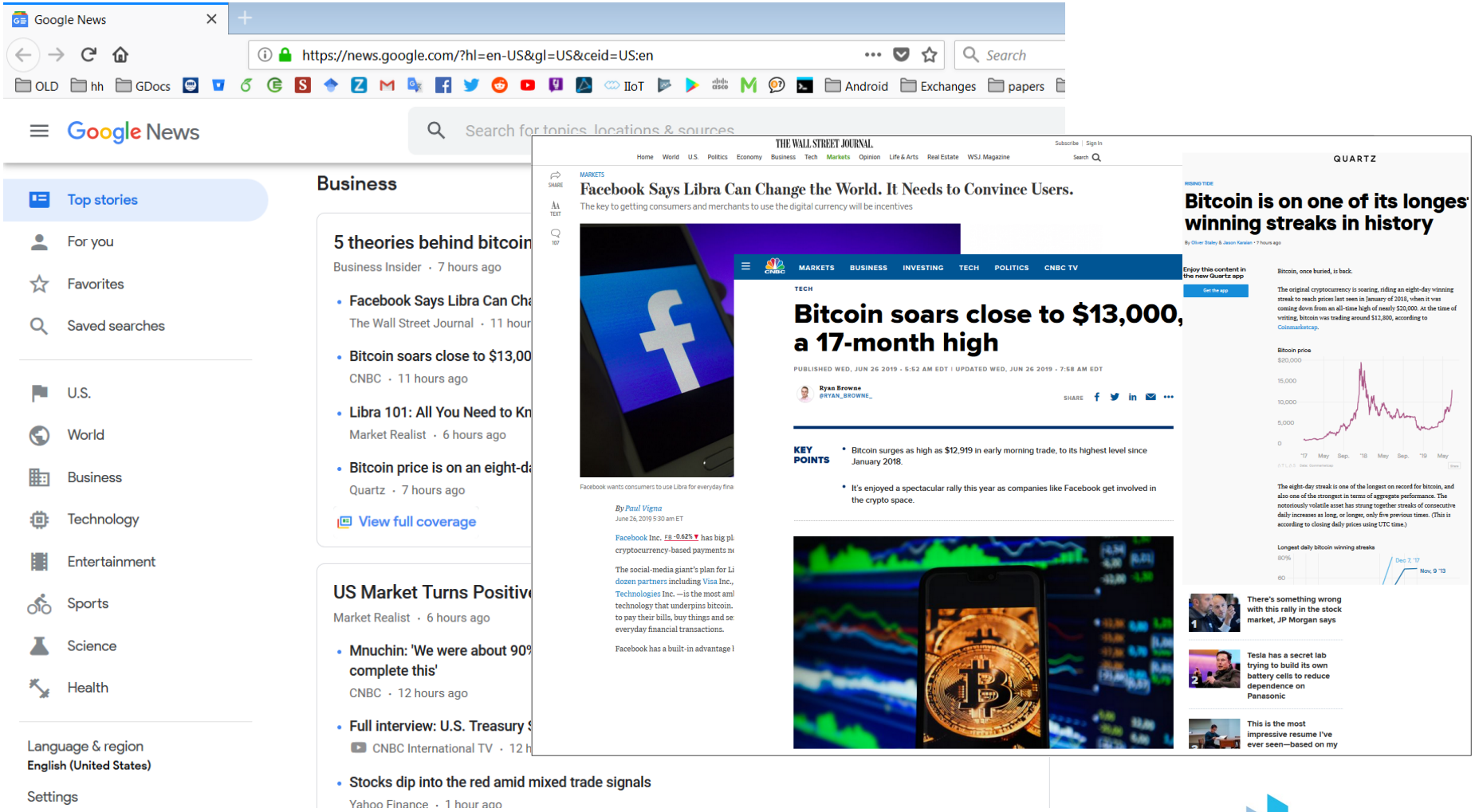

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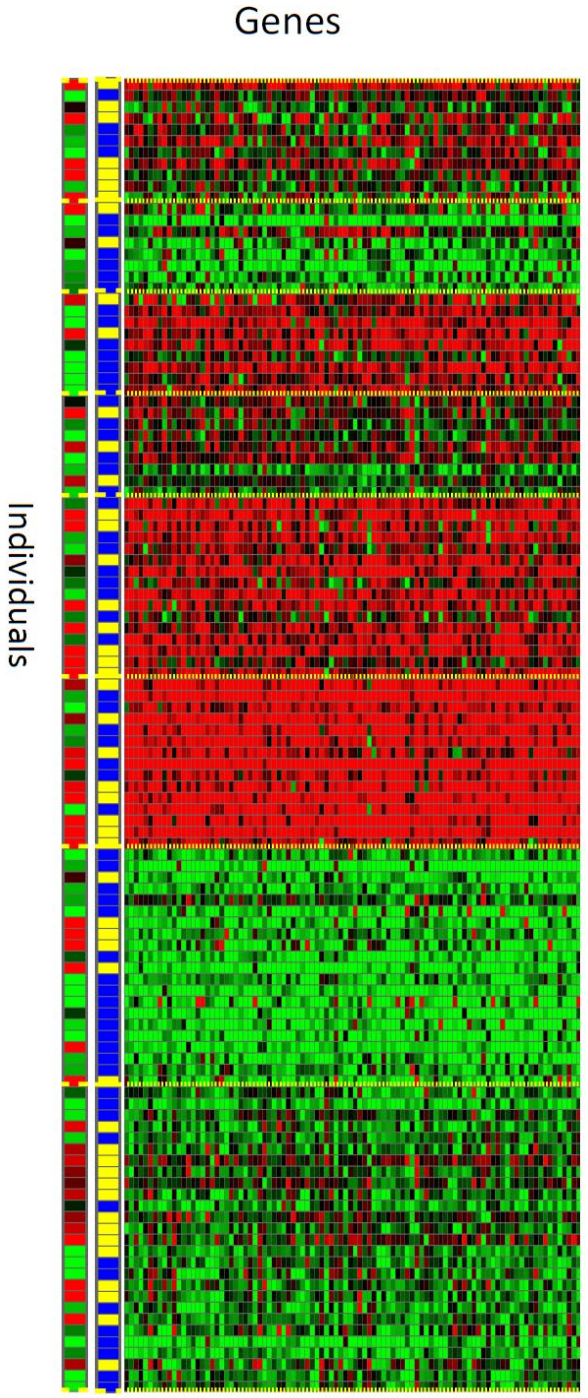

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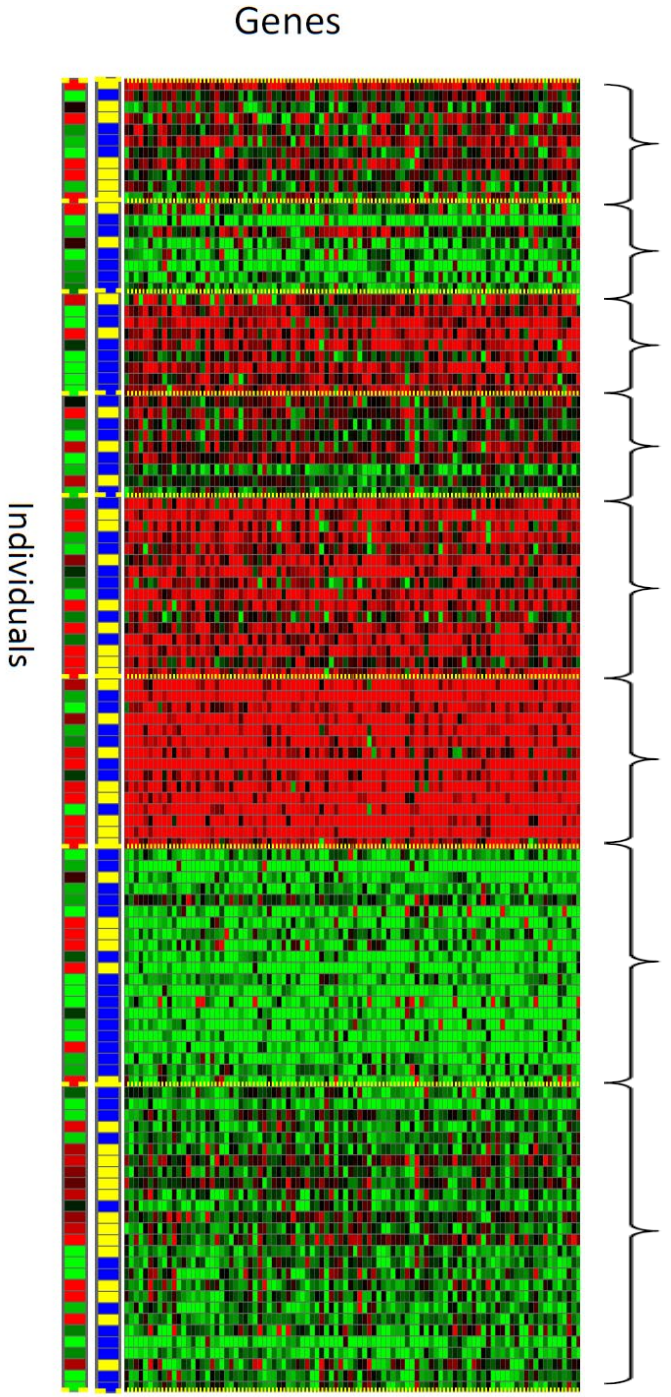

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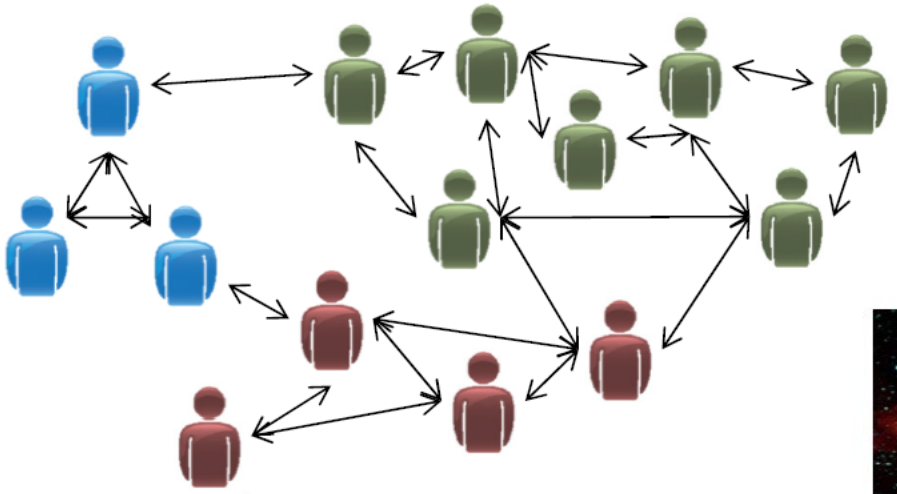
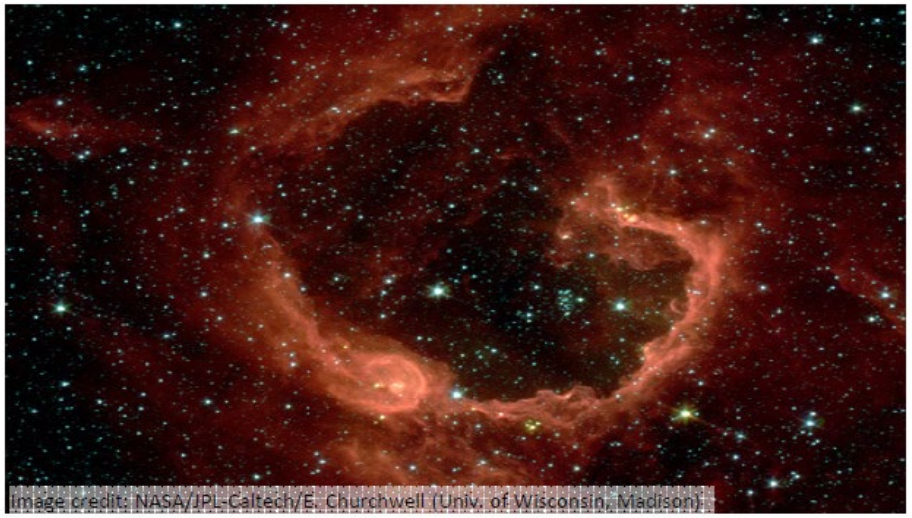


Social network analysis



Astronomical data analysis

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  - **Lecture 1.2** Basics, prerequisite, and review of important notions.
  - **Lab 1**: Hands-on Python for ML
- Week 5 (Regression)
  - **Lecture 2.1** Linear Regression.
  - **Lecture 2.2** Nonlinear Regression (KNN and Kernel regression)
  - **Lab 2**: Implementing linear regression (with/without gradient descent) + Kernel regression.
- Week 6 (Classification)
  - **Lecture 3.1** Classification using Logistic Regression.
  - **Lecture 3.2** Nonlinear Classification (Polynomial features, KNN, DTrees, …)
  - **Lab 3**: Implementing logistic regression + KNN.
- Week 7 (Generalization)
  - **Lecture 4.1** Overfitting and Regularization.
  - **Lecture 4.2** Ensemble Methods (Random Forest).
  - **Lab 4**: Re-implementing LinReg and LogisticReg with Regularization + Implementing Random Forest.
- Week 8 (SVM)
  - **Lecture 5** Support Vector Machines.
  - **Lab 5**: Using SVM (Linear + with Kernel Trick) for Spam Classification.
- Week 9 (ANN)
  - **Lecture 6.1** Artificial Neural Networks (ANN).
  - **Lecture 6.2** Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) – Continuation.
  - **Lab 6**: Implementing a simple ANN.
- Week 10 (Unsupervised Learning)
  - **Lecture 7.1** Dimensionality Reduction (using Principal Components Analysis)
  - **Lecture 7.2** Clustering
  - **Lab 7**: Implementing PCA + K-means clustering.
- Week 11 (Presentations)
  - Seminars where your present your projects …

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1. **Written examination** (3 credits)
   - Mainly based on the contents of lectures.
   - and some content related to the Labs.

2. **Practical Projects and Labs** (3 credits)
   - The weekly Labs (jupyter notebooks).
     - The Labs are to be done individually.
   - Written **report** about the final project (to submit before week 11).
     - The final project can be done in a group of one or two students (maximum).

3. **Seminars** (1.5 credits)
   - Oral presentation of the final project (on week 11)
     - The presentation (in a group of one or two students) should take 20 to 25 minutes max.
     - The slides should show the project results achieved so far as well as a state-of-the-art section which refers to research articles/papers related to your project (use Google Scholar to find relevant papers).

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- The report should be about 7 to 10 pages including figures and tables). It can be structured as follows:
  1. **Introduction**
     - Brief presentation of problem, 1 page.
  2. **State-of-the-art**
     - Brief description of research papers doing work related to your project, 1 page.
  3. **Methodology**
     - Brief listing of methods used, 1 page.
  4. **Data**
     - Presentation of your dataset with important observations, 1-2 pages.
  5. **Results and their interpretation** (3-5 pages).
  6. **Discussion**
     - Conclusions about your results and comparison to other researchers' results, 1 page.

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  - There is a Lab to do on each week (total of 7 Labs).
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  - The deadlines to submit each Lab are on Blackboard.
  - Submit your Lab solutions as jupyter notebooks to the Lab assistants: Reza reza.khoshkangini@hh.se and Yuantao yuantao.fan@hh.se and add Rafik (as cc) mohamed-rafik.bouguelia@hh.se

- Regarding Projects:
  - You have to submit your written report before week 11 to mohamed-rafik.bouguelia@hh.se