

How to Get Your Questions Answered Quickly

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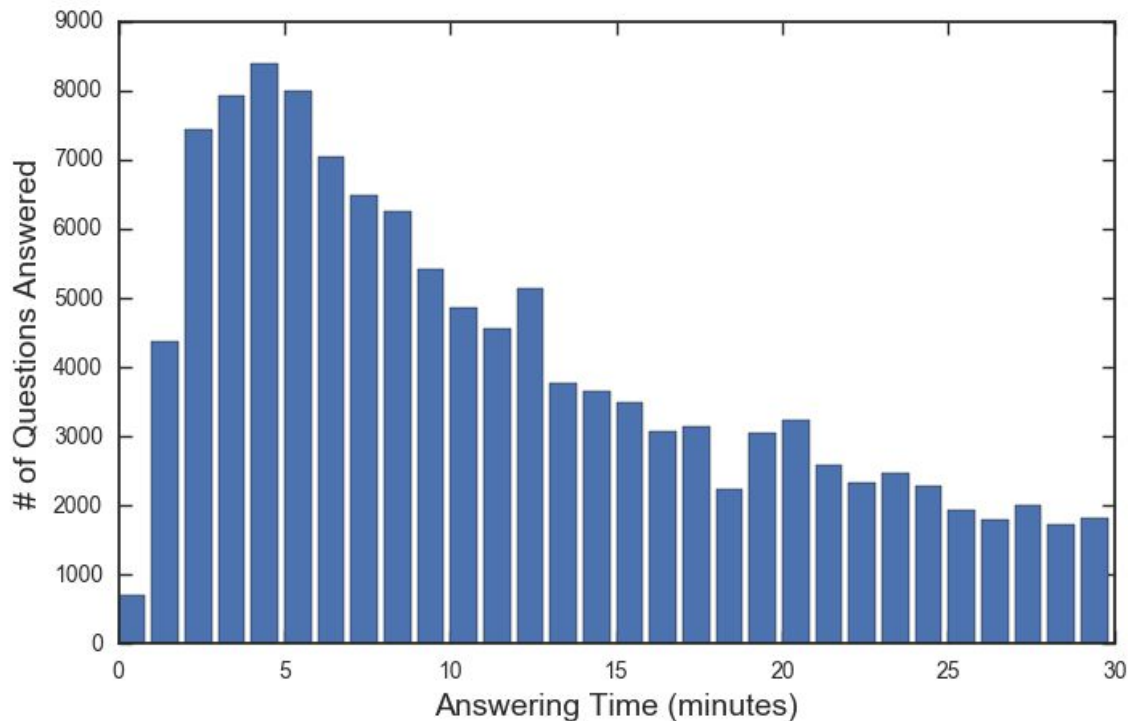
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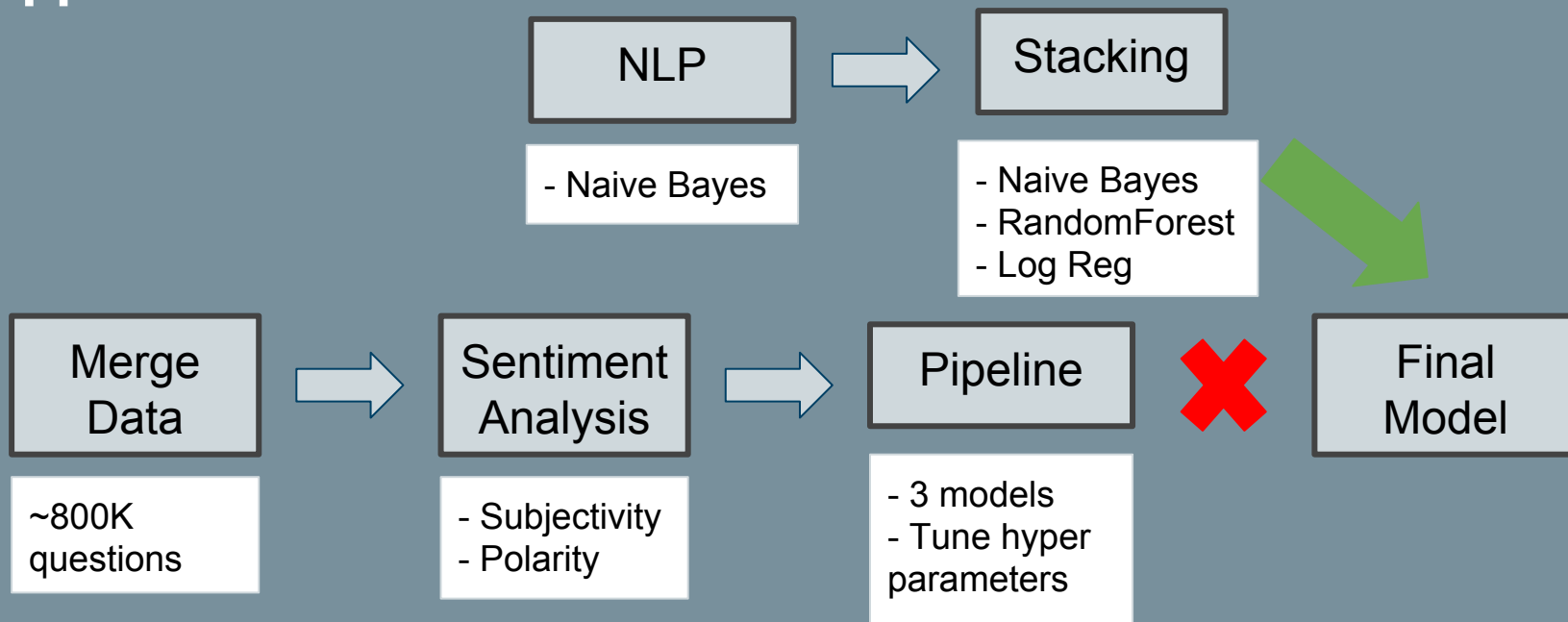
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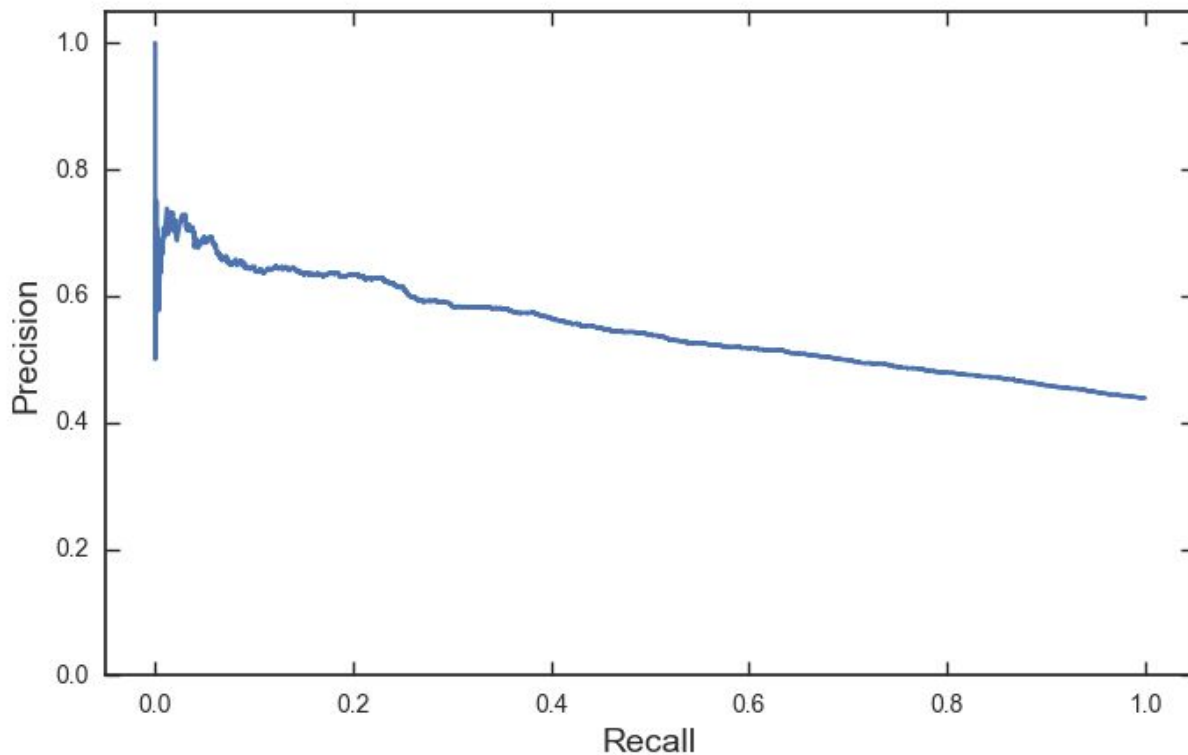
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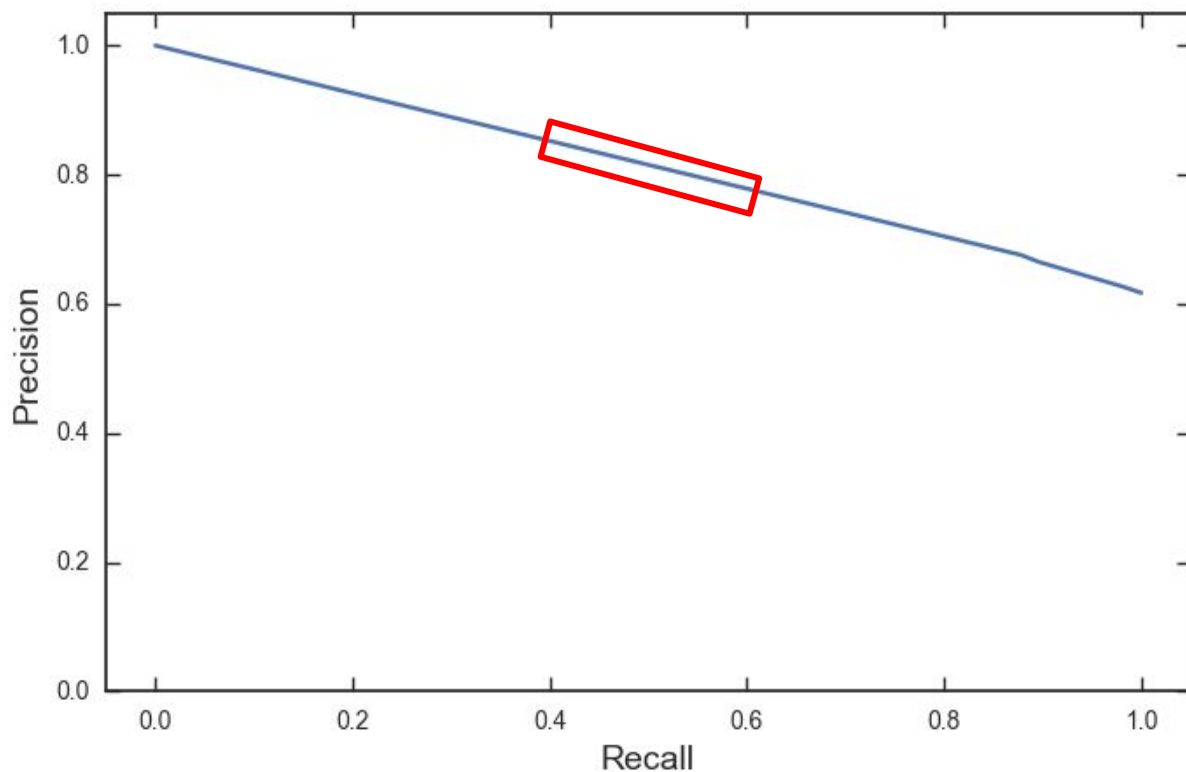
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NLP → Multinomial NB → Stacking

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Scores

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- **Stacking** = Multinomial NB + RandomForest → Logistic Regression

<u>Model:</u>	<u>FBeta:</u>
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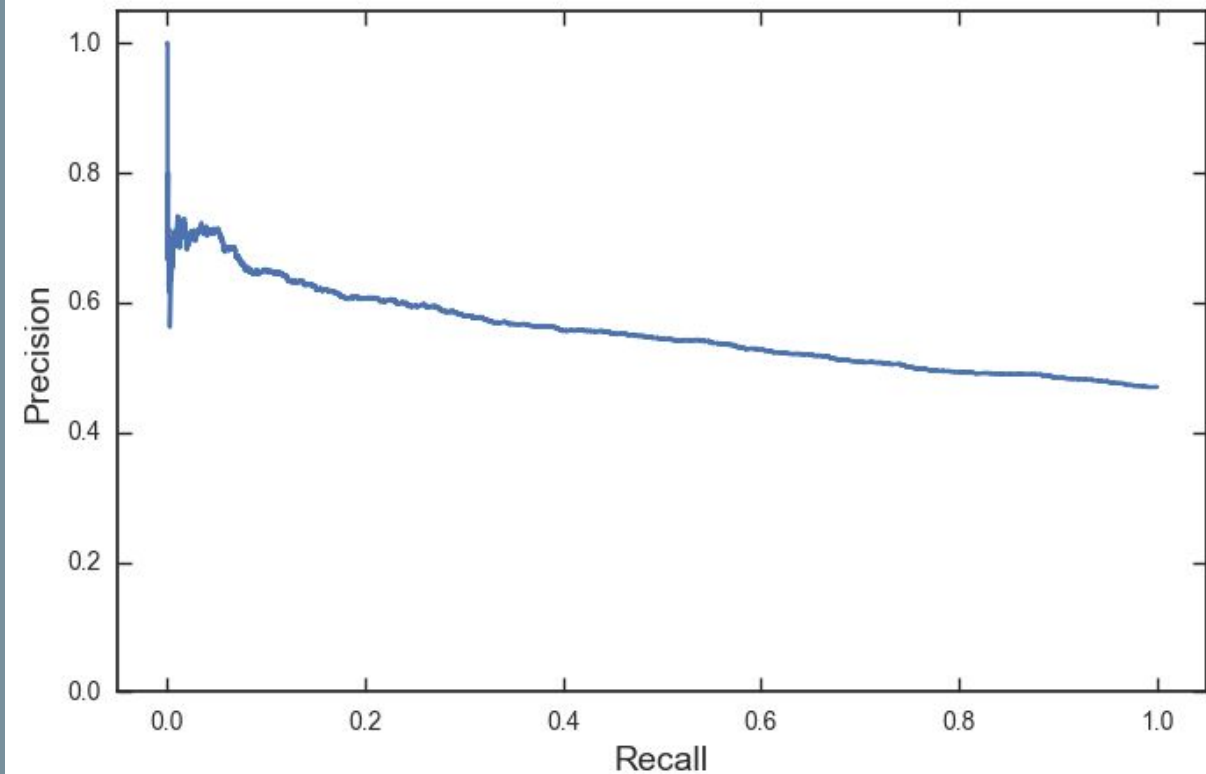
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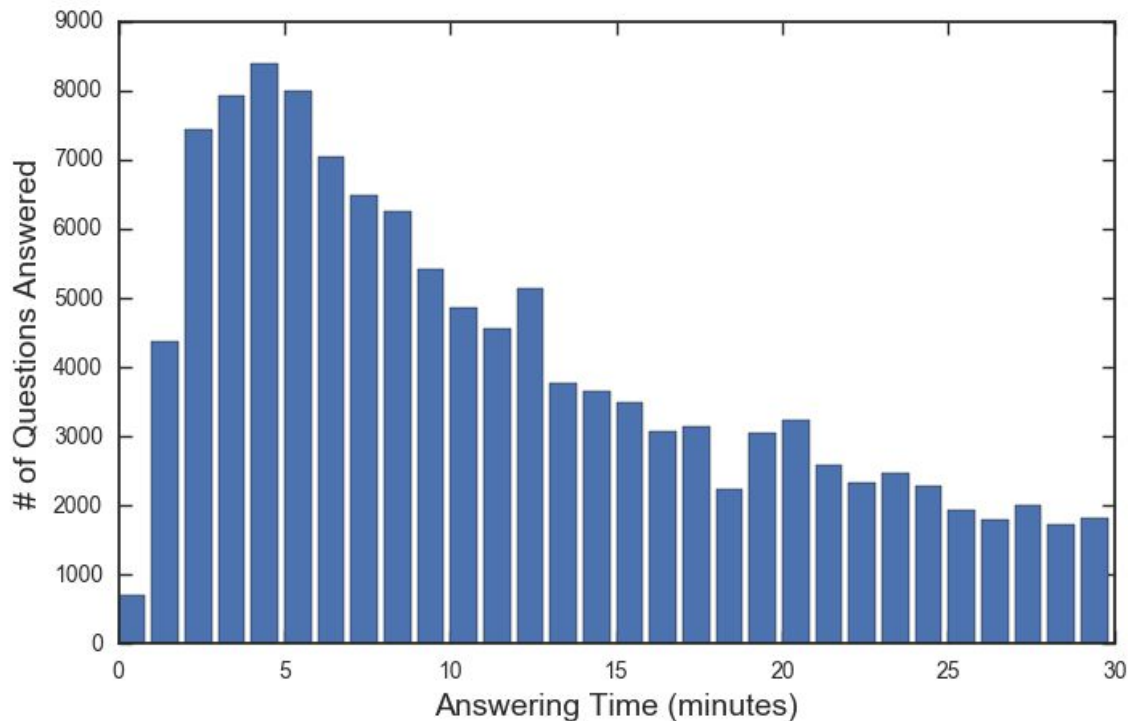
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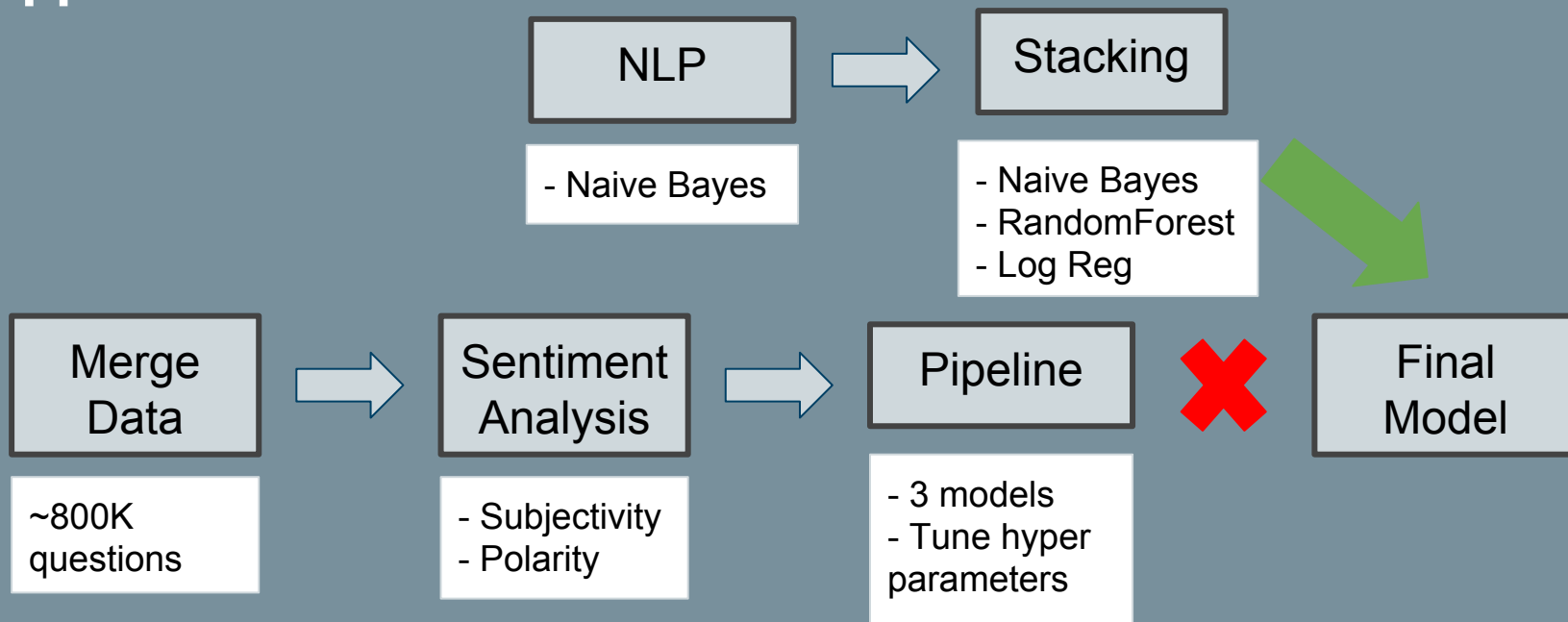
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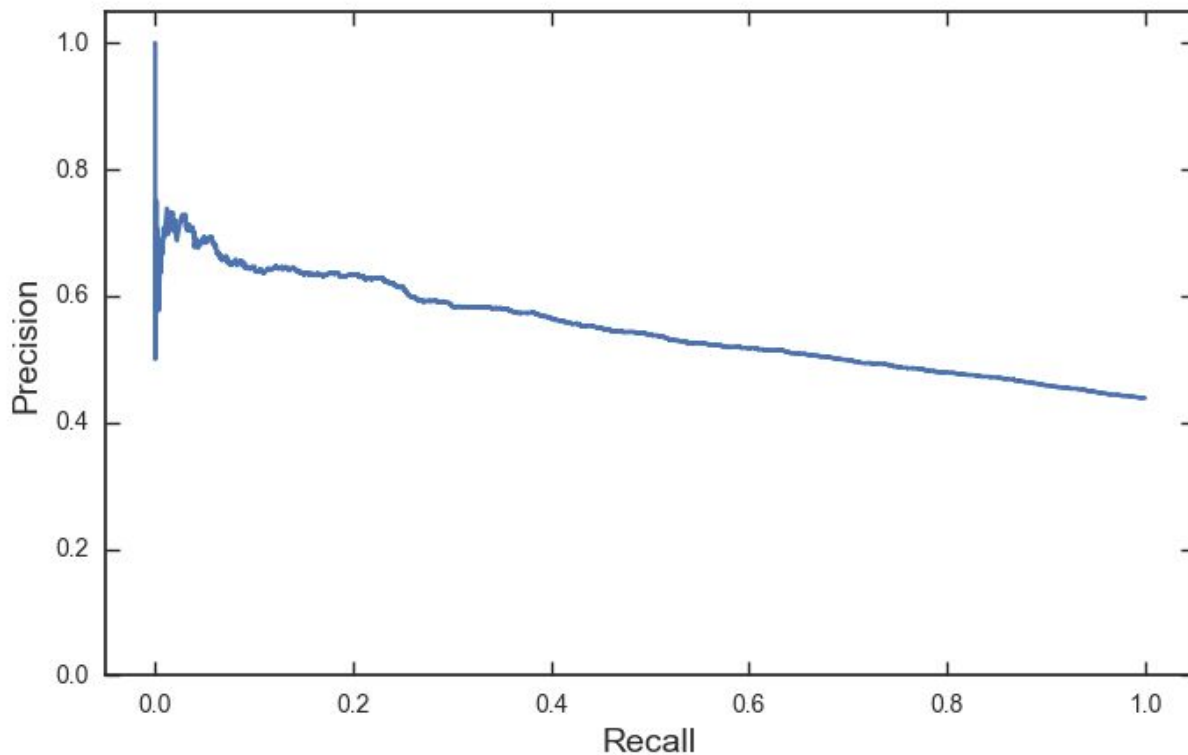
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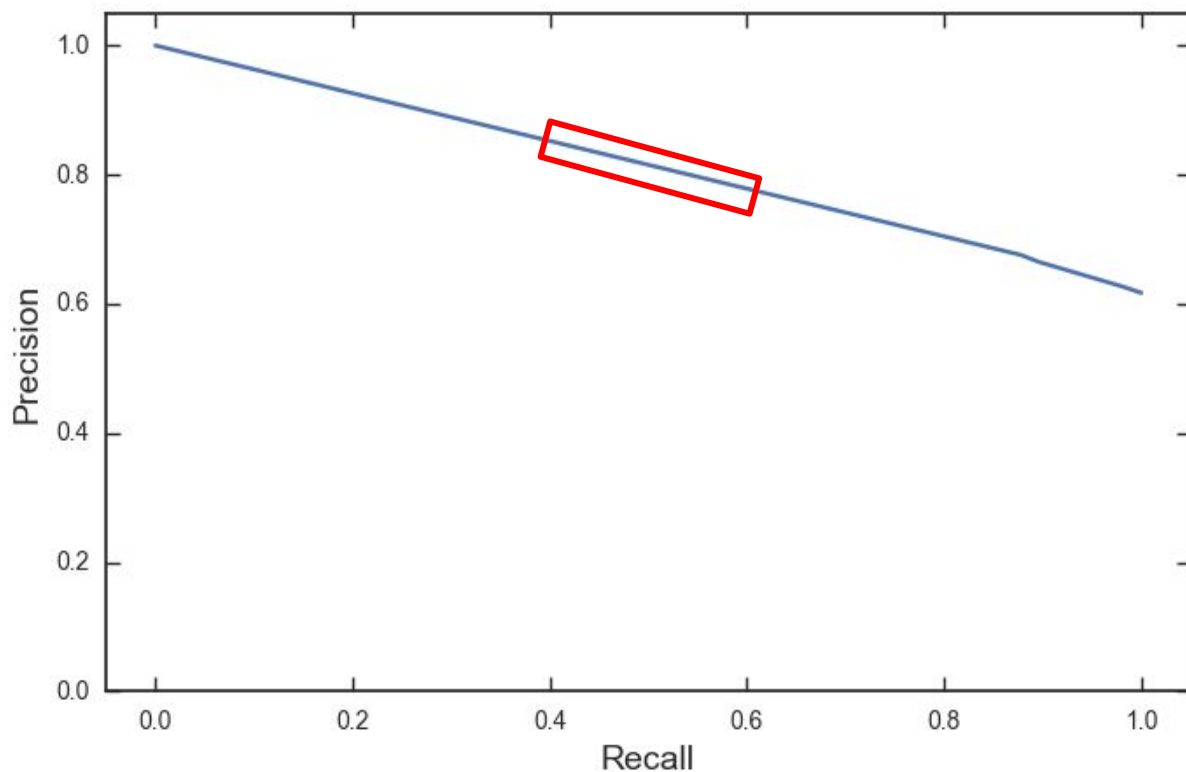
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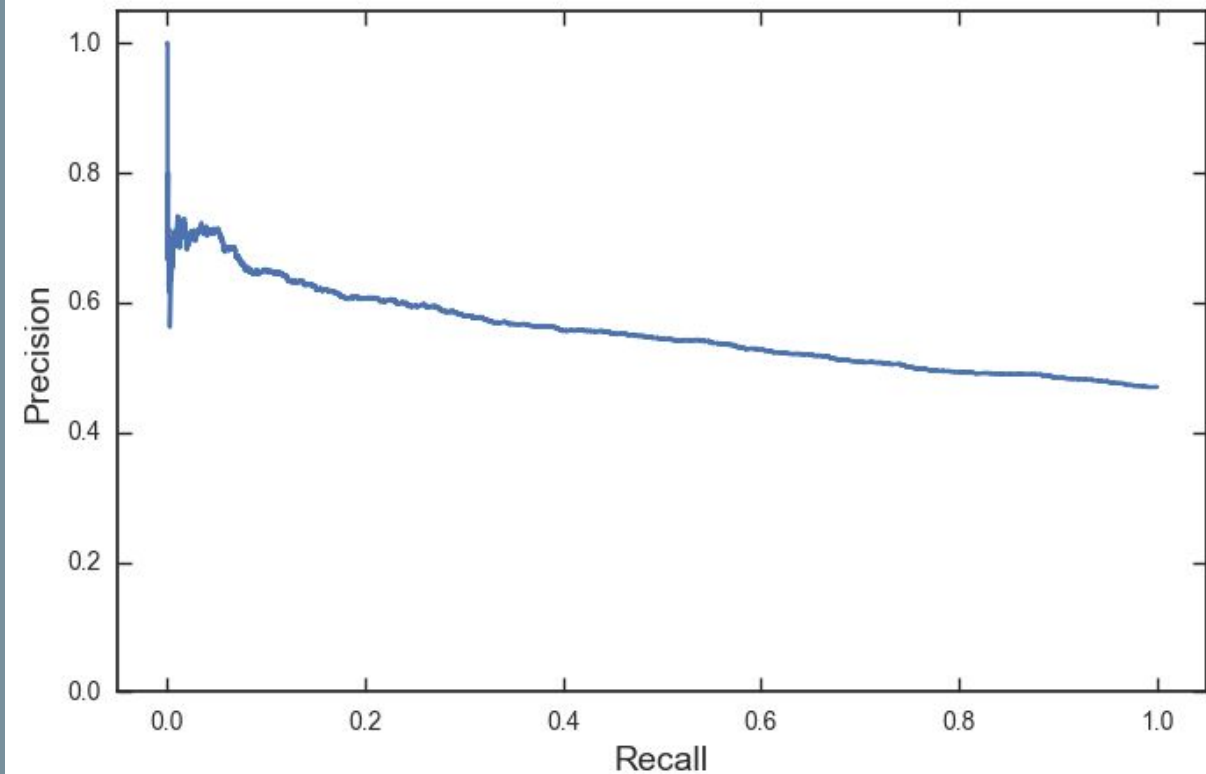
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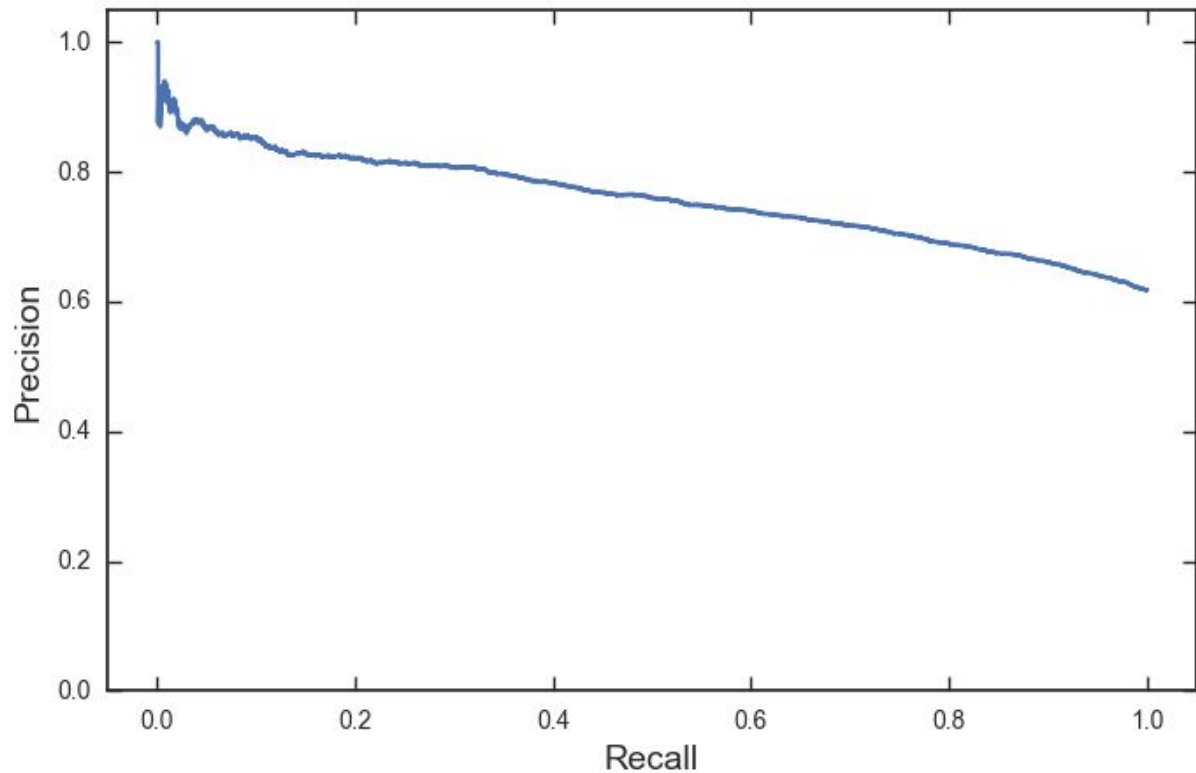
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