

CS373 Data Mining and Machine Learning

Lecture 9

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- Use algorithms that will perform well in unseen data
- How to measure performance?
- How to use unseen data?
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- Variability?
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- By-product: a way to set **hyper-parameters**
 - e.g., C for SVMs, λ for kernel ridge regression, etc.

Measures of Performance: Regression

- Assume that for a point x , we predict $g(x)$

- Mean square error:
$$MSE(g) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (g(x_i) - y_i)^2$$

- Root mean square error:
$$RMSE(g) = \sqrt{MSE(g)}$$

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- Mean absolute error:
$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |g(x_i) - y_i|$$

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Measures of Performance: Classification

- True Positive (TP)
- True Negative (TN)
- False Positive (FP)
- False Negative (FN)

| | True Label | |
|-----------------|------------|-----------|
| | +1 | -1 |
| Predicted Label | +1 | TP FP |
| | -1 | FN TN |

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- Accuracy

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$$(TP + TN) / (TP + FP + FN + TN)$$

- Error

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$$(FP + FN) / (TP + FP + FN + TN)$$

- Recall / Sensitivity $TP / (TP + FN)$

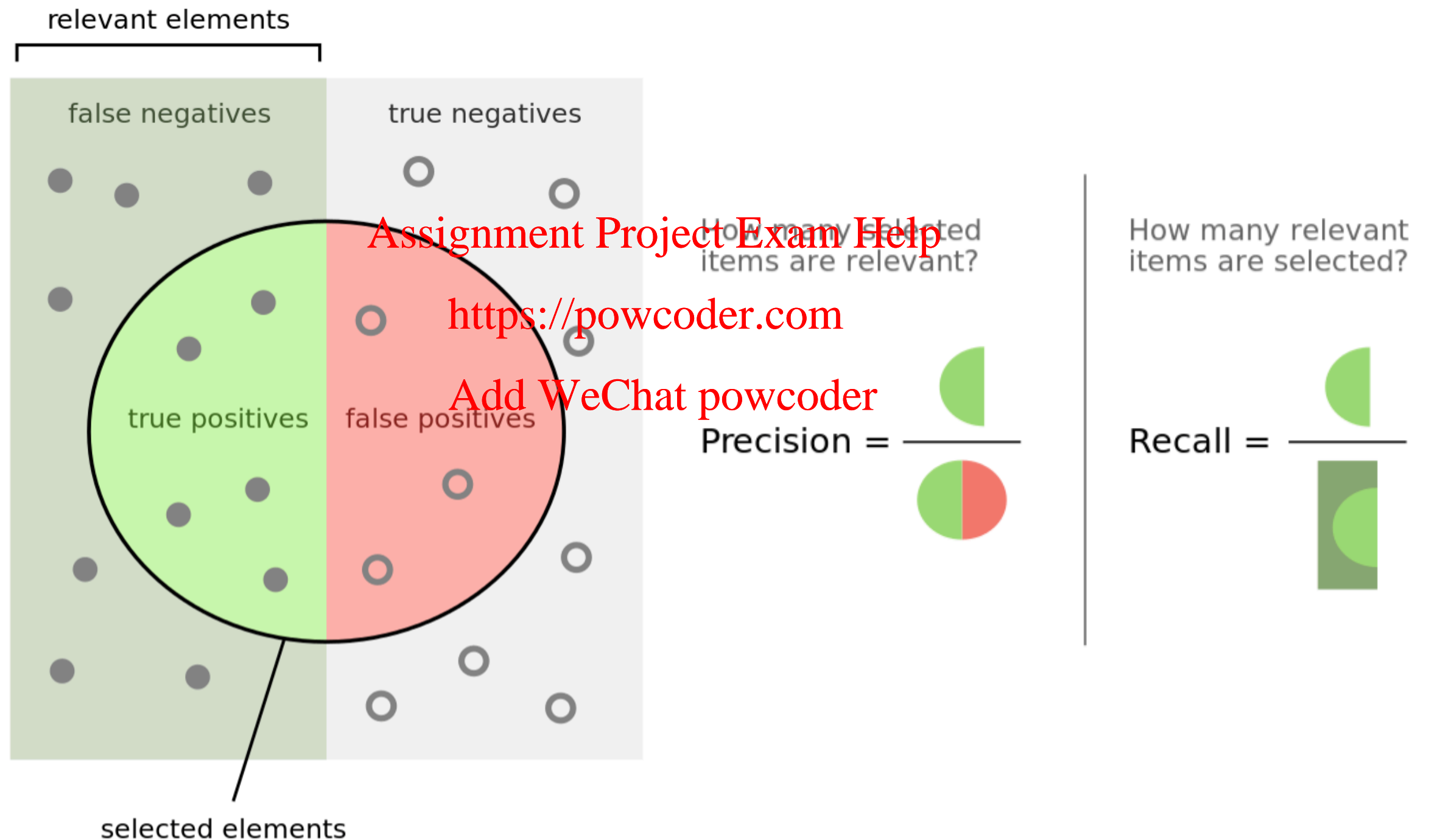
- Precision $TP / (TP + FP)$

- Specificity $TN / (TN + FP)$

- Use jointly: (Precision, Recall) or (Sensitivity, Specificity)

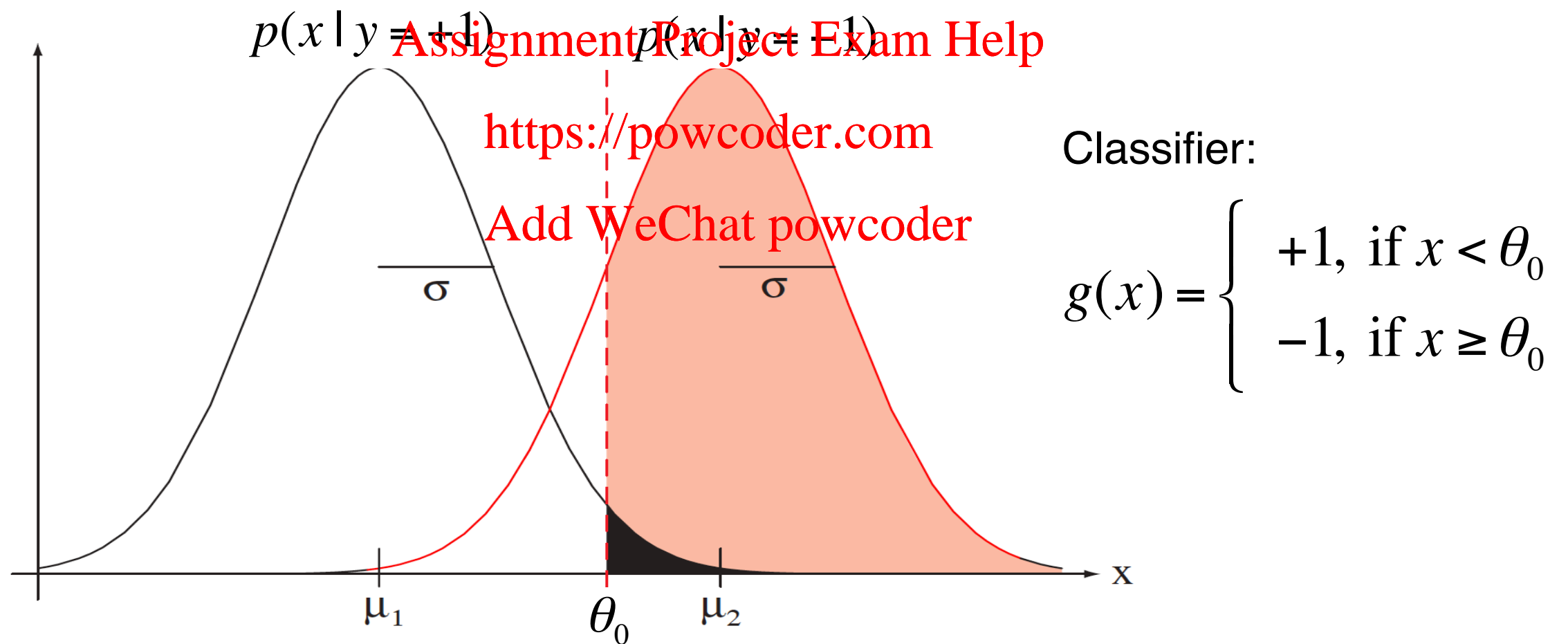
Precision and Recall

- Idea comes from information retrieval



Sensitivity and Specificity

- Idea comes from signal detection theory
- Assume Gaussian distributions $p(x | y = +1) = N(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$
 $p(x | y = -1) = N(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$



- By sliding the offset θ_0 we get different (TP , FP , TN , FN) and thus, different sensitivity and specificity

Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC)

- By varying the hyperparameter of a classifier (e.g., C for SVM with linear kernel, β for SVM with RBF kernels) we can get different:

- Sensitivity
- Specificity

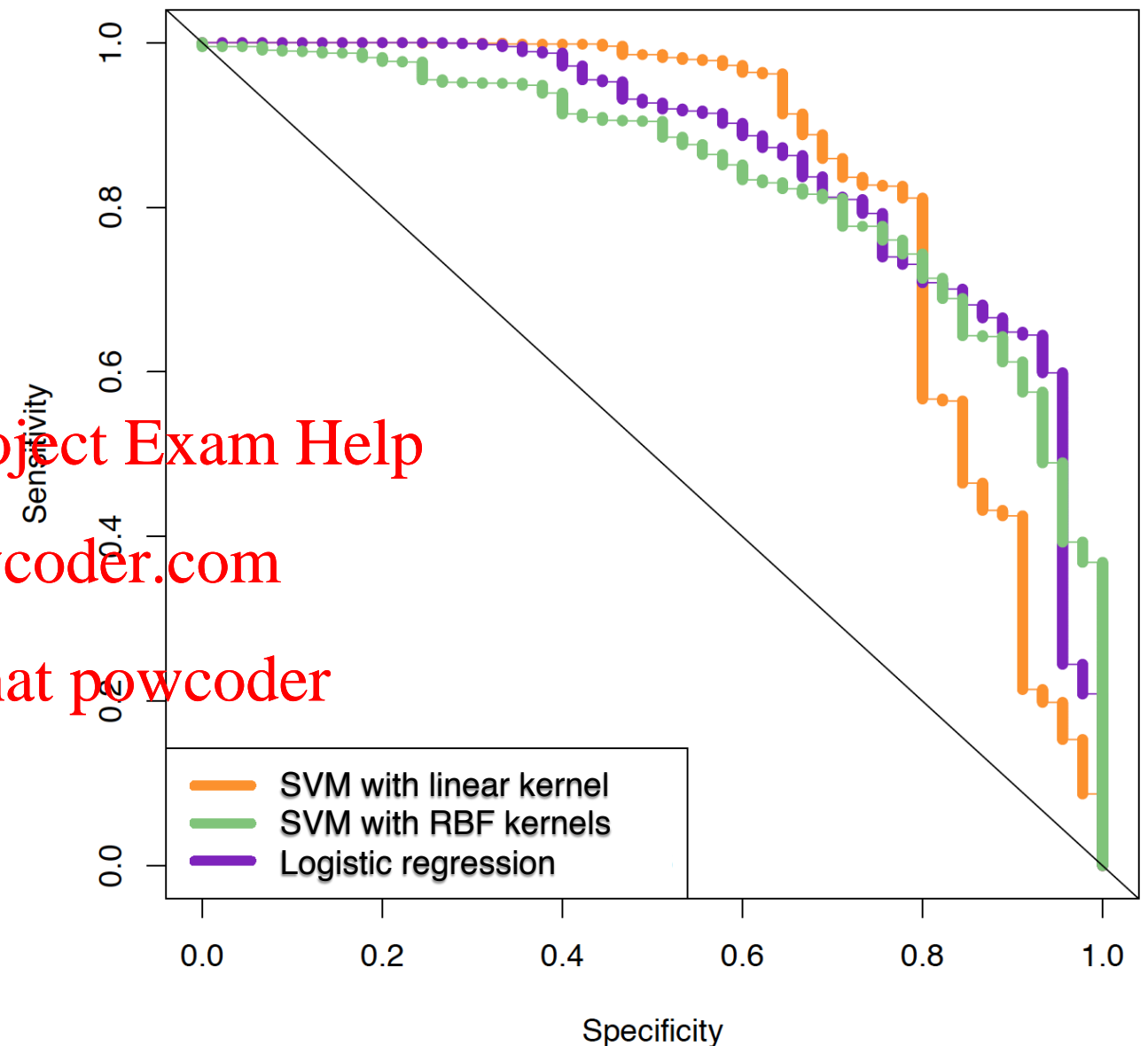
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- Summarized with an Area Under the Curve (AUC)

- Random: 0.5
- Perfect classifier: 1



Other Loss Functions

- Let +1 mean “diseased patient” and -1 mean “healthy patient”

| | | True Label | | | | True Label | | |
|-----------------|----|------------|----|--|--|------------|----|---|
| | | +1 | -1 | | | +1 | -1 | |
| Predicted Label | +1 | 0 | 1 | | | +1 | 0 | 1 |
| | -1 | 1 | 0 | | | -1 | 10 | 0 |

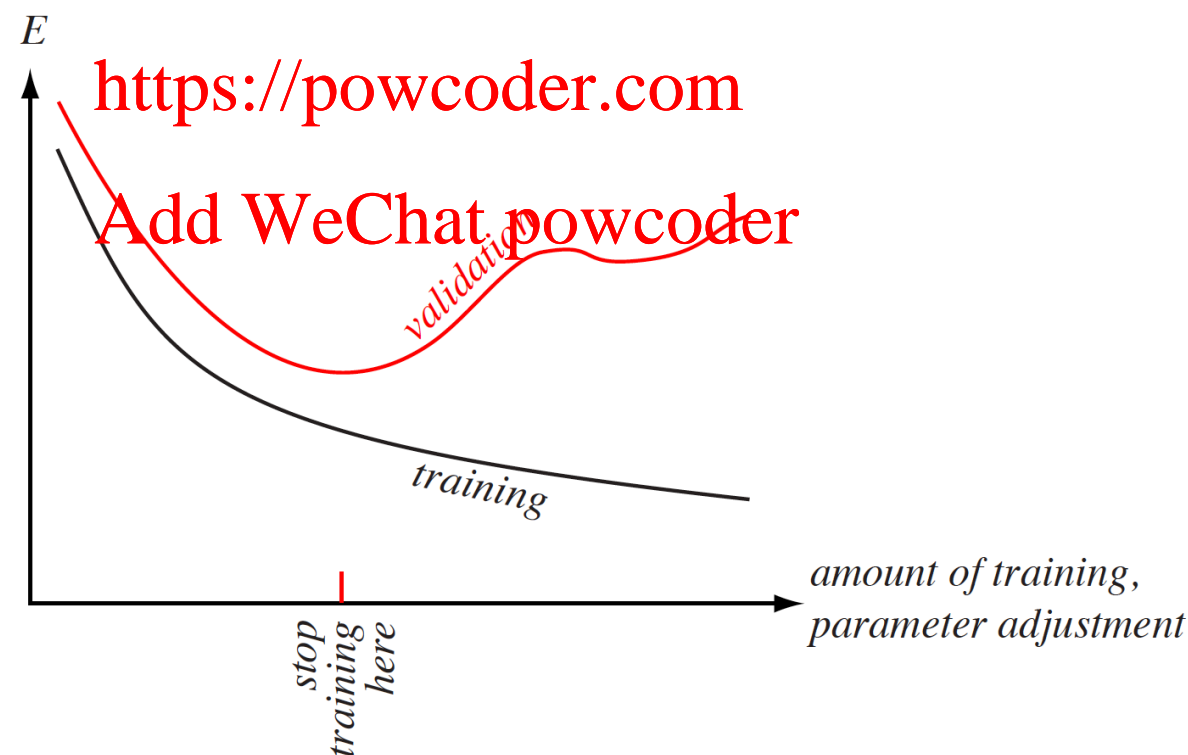
$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n 1[g(x_i) \neq y_i]$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Cost(g(x_i), y_i)$$

2) Using “Unseen” Data

- Overfitting:

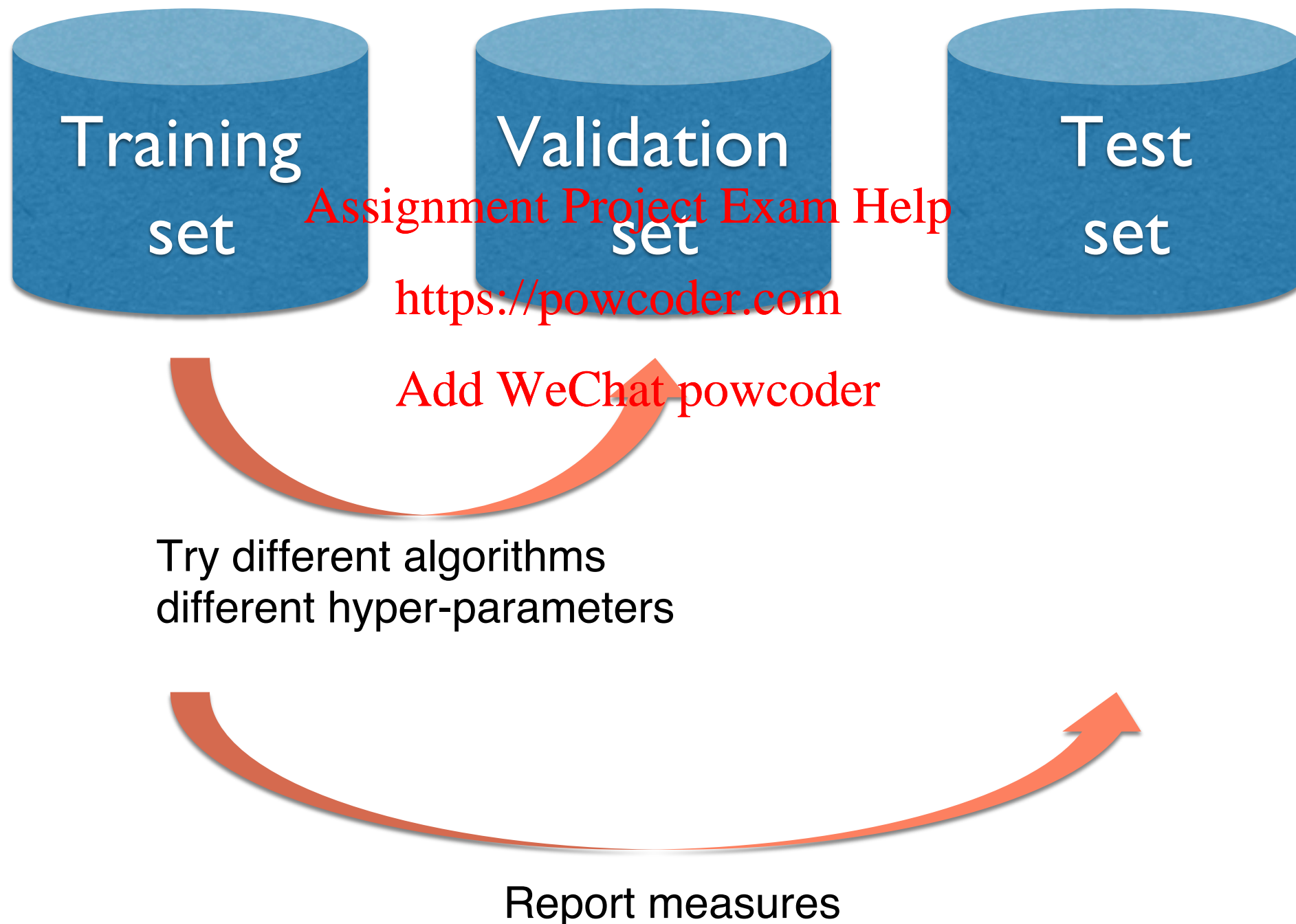
- Bigger model class \mathcal{F} , better fit in training data (linear to quadratic to cubic)
- Find hyper-parameters that better fit training data
- Usually poor performance in unseen data



- To prevent overfitting, how can we “see” unseen data?
 - Simulate it !

Training, Validation, Testing

- Three data sets:



k -Fold Cross Validation

- Split training data D into k disjoint sets S_1, \dots, S_k
 - Either randomly, or in a fixed fashion
 - If D has n samples, then each fold has approximately n / k samples
 - Popular choices: $k=5$, $k=10$, $k=n$ (leave-one-out)

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- For $i = 1 \dots k$:
train with sets $S_1, \dots, S_{i-1}, S_{i+1}, \dots, S_k$
test on set S_i
let M_i be the test measure (e.g., accuracy, MSE)

- Mean and variance are:

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k M_i$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k (M_i - \hat{\mu})^2$$

0.632 Bootstrapping

- Let $B > 0$, and n be the number of training samples in D
- For $i = 1 \dots B$:
 - Pick n samples from D with replacement, call it S_i
(S_i might contain the same sample more than once)
 - train with set S_i
 - test on the remaining samples ($D - S_i$)
 - let M_i be the test measure (e.g., accuracy, MSE)
- Mean and variance are:

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{i=1}^B M_i$$

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0.632 Bootstrapping

- Why 0.632 ?
- Recall that:
 - We pick n items with replacement from out of n items
 - We choose uniformly at random
- The probability of:
 - not picking one particular item in 1 draw is $1 - 1/n$
 - not picking one particular item in n draws is $(1 - 1/n)^n$
 - picking one particular item in n draws is $1 - (1 - 1/n)^n$
- Finally:
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 - (1 - 1/n)^n = 1 - 1/e \approx 0.632$$

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3) Variability

- How to compare two algorithms?
 - Not only means, also variances !
 - Statistical hypothesis testing
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Statistical Hypothesis Testing

- How to compare two algorithms?
 - Not only means, also variances !
- Let $\hat{\mu}_1, \hat{\sigma}_1^2, \hat{\mu}_2, \hat{\sigma}_2^2$ be mean and variance of algorithms 1 and 2.
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- When to reject null hypothesis $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ in favor of $\mu_1 > \mu_2$?
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- Let:

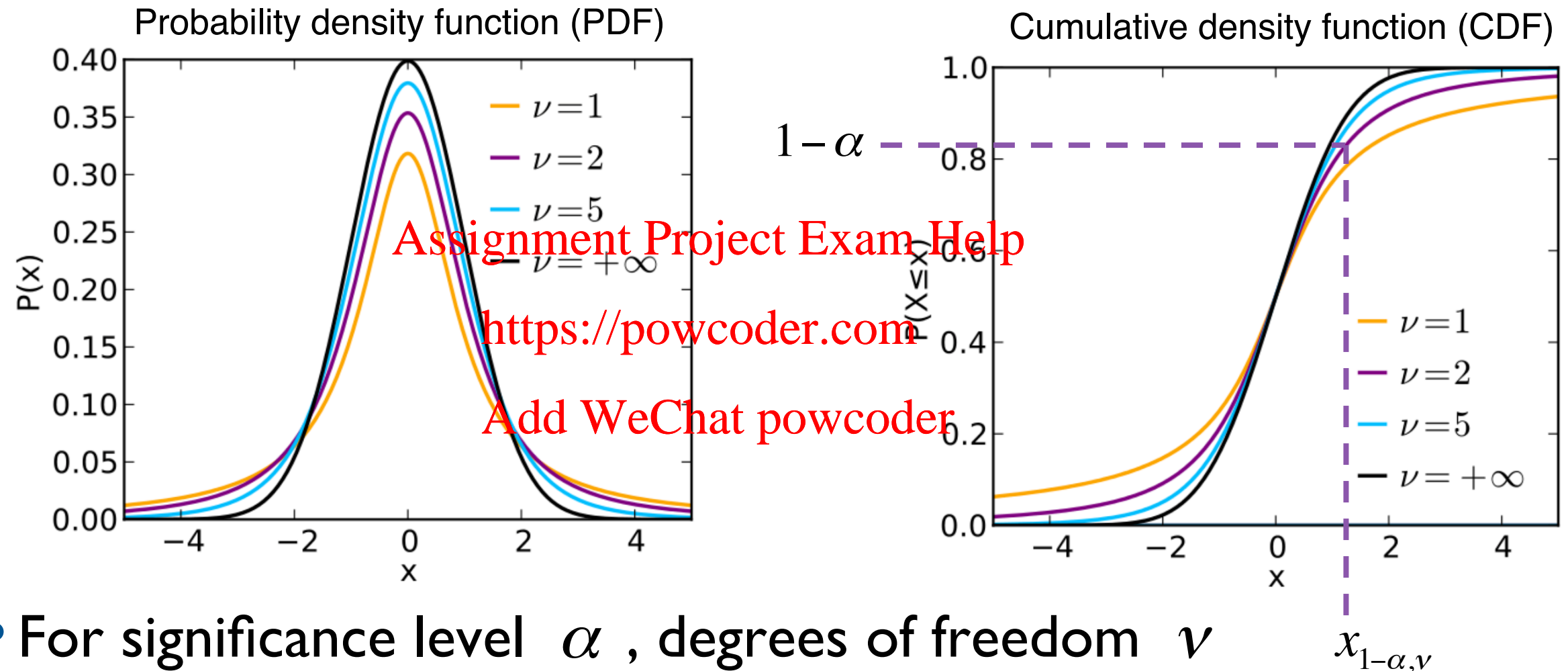
$$x = \frac{(\hat{\mu}_1 - \hat{\mu}_2)\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_1^2 + \hat{\sigma}_2^2}}$$

$$v = \left\lceil \frac{(\hat{\sigma}_1^2 + \hat{\sigma}_2^2)^2 (n-1)}{\hat{\sigma}_1^4 + \hat{\sigma}_2^4} \right\rceil$$

Degrees of freedom of
Student's t-distribution

Statistical Hypothesis Testing

- Student's t-distribution:



- For significance level α , degrees of freedom ν

- Find the value $x_{1-\alpha, \nu}$ for which $\text{CDF} = 1 - \alpha$
- Python: `from scipy.stats import t`

`t.ppf(1-alpha, v)`

- If $x > x_{1-\alpha, \nu}$ reject null hypothesis $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ in favor of $\mu_1 > \mu_2$

What is a Sample?

- In this lecture we assume that each sample is a different “unit of interest” for the experimenter
- Never sample the same “unit of interest” several times
 - In a medical application, we might be interested on knowing the accuracy (and variance) with respect to patients.
 - Taking two visits of the same patient as two different samples would be incorrect.
- Collect more data, if necessary
 - Never duplicate (copy & paste) data.

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