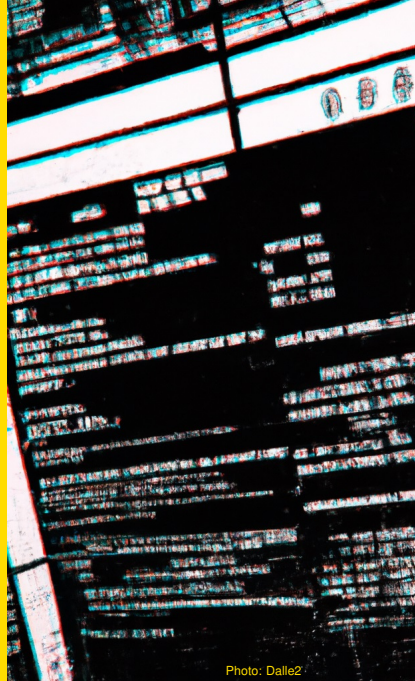


Data Mining

Inference 2 (Bayes)

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Data

Marketing :

- $Input_{costs}$, $Input_{marketing}$
- $Metrics_{CAC}$, $Metrics_{CLV}$
- $Output_{Customers_{new}}$

CAC: consumer acquisition costs, CLV: consumer life value (in sales for the company)

Hypotheses \neq Data

What generated $Costumers_{new}$?

- How about this model for the hypothesis that sales and marketing expenses work?

$$Costumers_{new} = \beta(Cost_{sales} + Cost_{marketing})$$

- β is not data (CAC could be a prior).
- β embodies our hypothesis that costs \mapsto costumers.
- How can we estimate $\beta|data$?

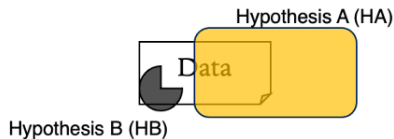
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Two inferential approaches



Approach 1:

$\max. p(\text{Data}|\text{H})$

Given HB, the data covers most of HB. Pick HB

Approach 2:

$\max. p(\text{H}|\text{Data})$

Given the data, HA covers more data. Pick HA

Figure: Maximize data or hypotheses (or both).

What is Bayesian inference?

Estimate the probability of hypotheses given the data:

$$p(\text{Hypotheses}|\text{Data})$$

In our example, we want $p(\beta|\text{Costumers}_{new}, \text{Cost}_{sales}, \text{Cost}_{marketing})$

$$\text{Costumers}_{new} = \beta(\text{Cost}_{sales} + \text{Cost}_{marketing})$$

In Bayesian inference we obtain a probability distribution of β .

But let's go to Python for the basics of Bayesian inference. The next sessions we would see how to obtain β of regressions (frequentist and bayesian).

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