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Project Presentation

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II. Getting Insights into Quantum-Chemical Relations

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Dataset Overview

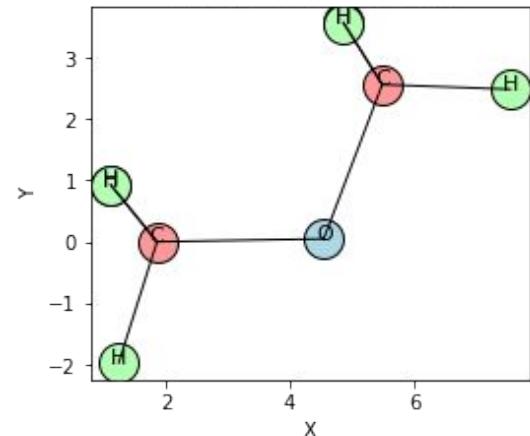
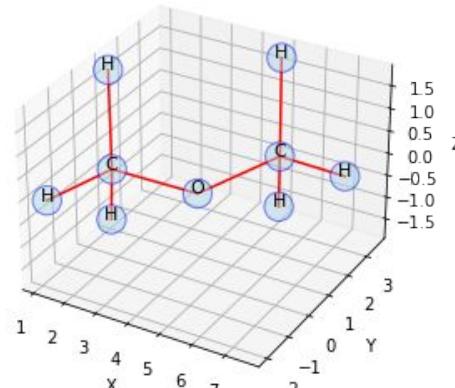


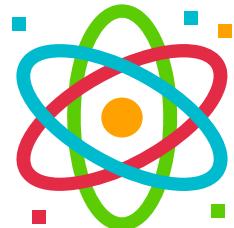
Dataset with atom types and coordinates of 7165 molecules consisting of maximum 23 atoms.

Atom types: Hydrogen (H), Carbon (C), Nitrogen (N), Oxygen (O), Sulfur (S)

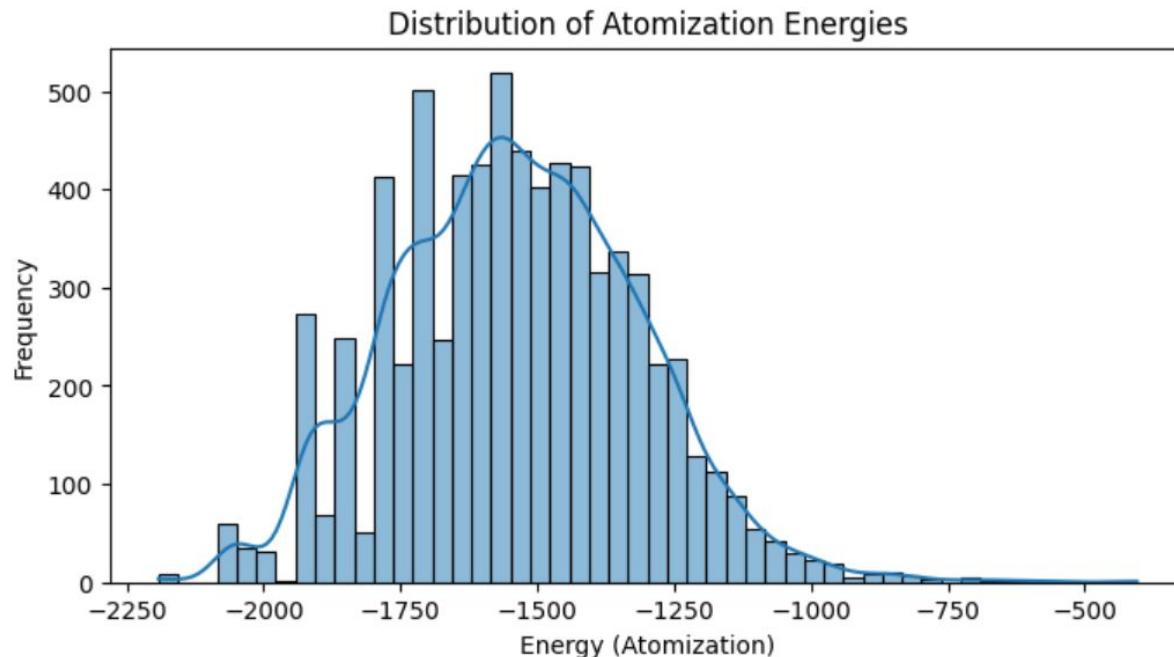
Target variable is the atomization energy (AE) of the molecules.

Dimethyl ether



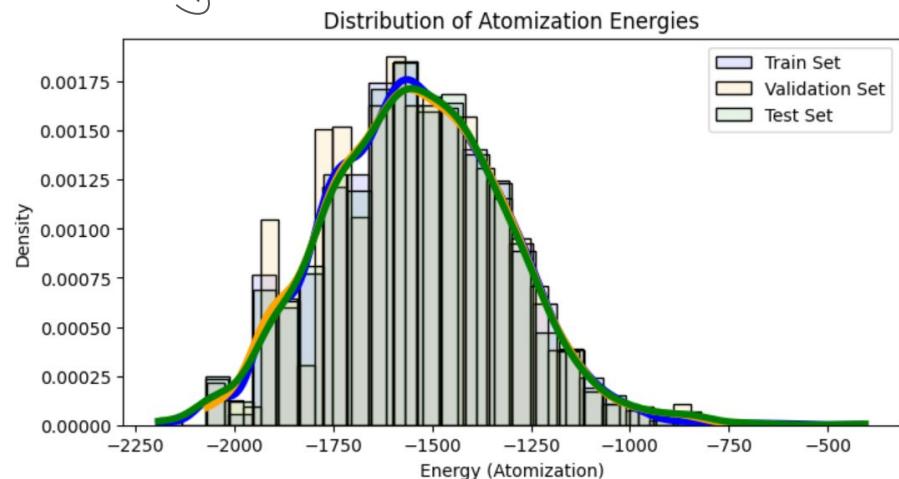
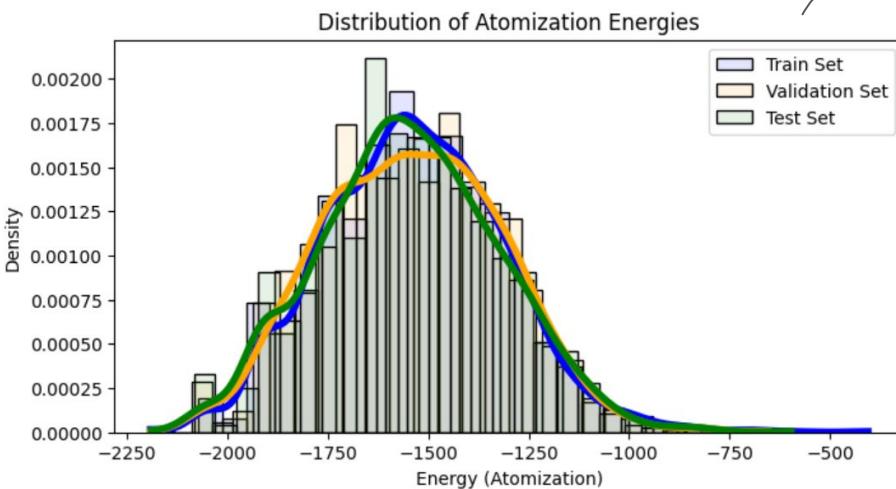


The Target Variable: Atomization Energy



Train-Validation-Test Split

Stratified Splitting



Model 1: Simple Atom based representation of molecules

Feature Map

One hot representation

$$\phi(\mathcal{E}_i) = \begin{pmatrix} I(\mathcal{E}_i = \text{H}) \\ I(\mathcal{E}_i = \text{C}) \\ I(\mathcal{E}_i = \text{N}) \\ I(\mathcal{E}_i = \text{O}) \\ I(\mathcal{E}_i = \text{S}) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^5$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{M}|} \phi(\mathcal{E}_i)$$

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Model Training

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Ridge Regression

Linear Model with objective:

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} - t)^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{w}\|^2]$$

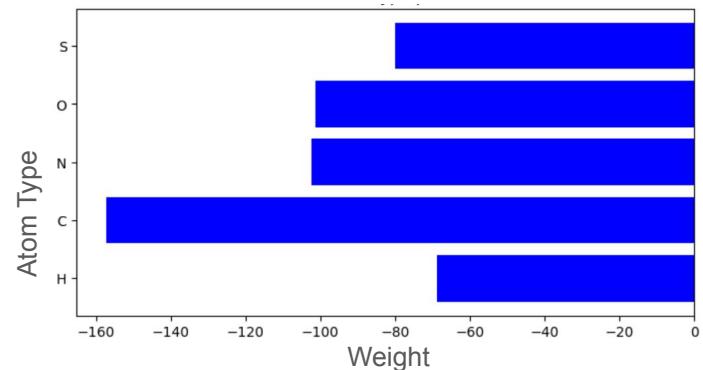
Optimal parameter $\lambda = 10^{-5}$

Mean Absolute Test Error:
15.32 kJ/mol

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Model Explanation

Weights

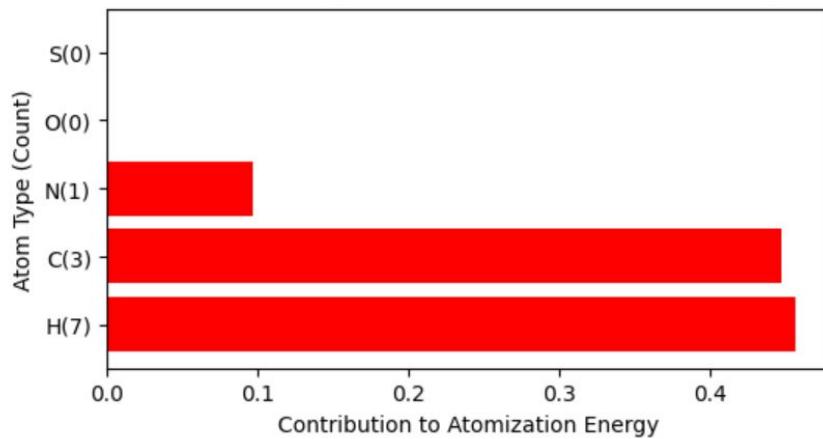


Model 1 Explanations

Local Explanation

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Contribution of Atom Types to AE for n-Alkyl N-C₃H₇



Chemical Explanation

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Typical AE for Atom Pairs

	C	H	N	O	S
C	347	413	305	358	259
H	413	432	391	467	347
N	305	391	160	201	<i>Na</i>
O	358	467	201	146	<i>Na</i>
S	259	347	<i>Na</i>	<i>Na</i>	266

C=C	C≡C	O=O	O=C	C≡O	N=O	N=N	N≡N	C≡N	C=N
614	839	495	745	1072	607	418	941	891	615

Model 2: Representation with pairs of atoms and distance

Feature Map

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Softmax for distance of atom pairs

$$\phi^A(\mathcal{E}_i) = \begin{pmatrix} \exp - \frac{(\text{dist}(\mathcal{E}_i) - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma^2} \\ \exp - \frac{(\text{dist}(\mathcal{E}_i) - \mu_2)^2}{2\sigma^2} \\ \vdots \\ \exp - \frac{(\text{dist}(\mathcal{E}_i) - \mu_n)^2}{2\sigma^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

One hot representation atom pairs

$$\phi^B(\mathcal{E}_i) = \begin{pmatrix} I(\text{type}(\mathcal{E}_i) = \text{HH}) \\ I(\text{type}(\mathcal{E}_i) = \text{HC}) \\ I(\text{type}(\mathcal{E}_i) = \text{HN}) \\ \vdots \\ I(\text{type}(\mathcal{E}_i) = \text{SS}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{M}|} \phi(\mathcal{E}_i)$$

where $\phi(\mathcal{E}_i)$ is the flattened matrix of shape (300,) defined by:

$$[\phi(\mathcal{E}_i)]_{jk} = \phi_j^A(\mathcal{E}_i) \cdot \phi_k^B(\mathcal{E}_i)$$

Model Training

02

Ridge Regression

Optimal Parameters:

Ridge regression:

$\lambda = 10^{-5}$

Number of Bins:

$n = 20$

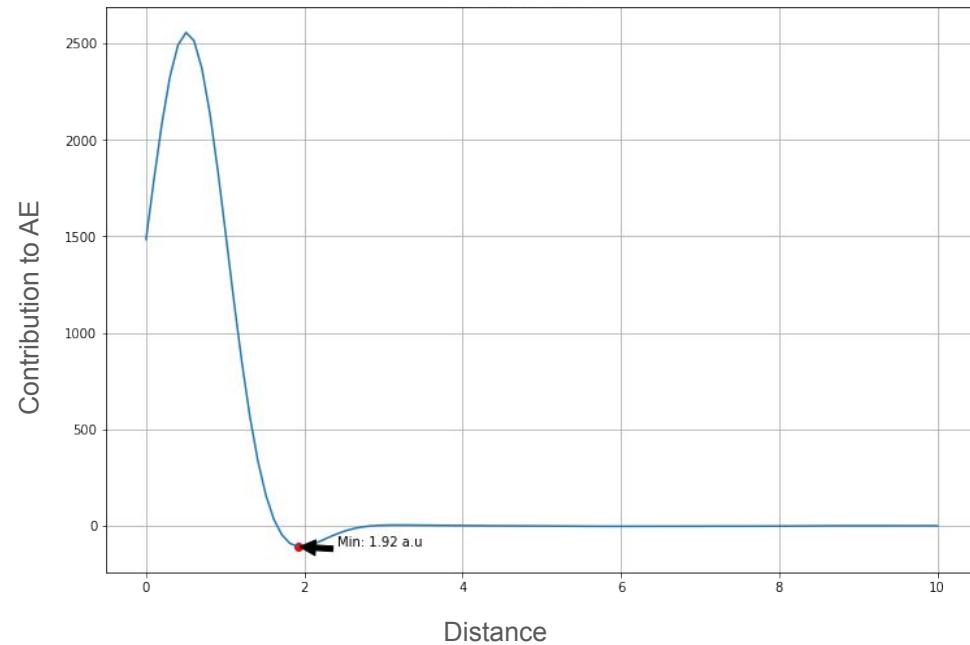
Variance for Softmax:

$\sigma = 0.5$

Mean Absolute Test error: 6.33
kJ/mol

Model 2: Explanations

Potential of atom pair O-H



Typical bond lengths for single bonds in AU

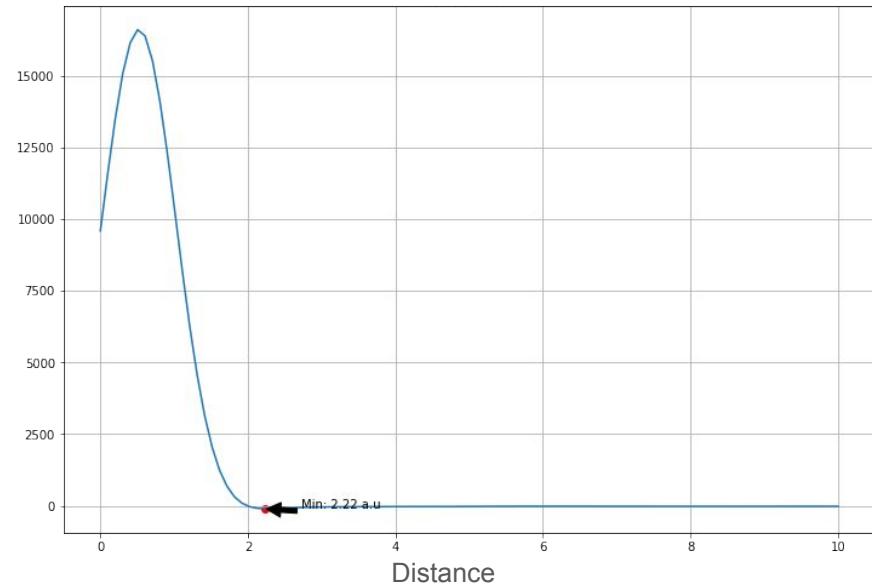
	C	H	N	O	S
C	2.87	2.04	2.78	2.70	3.44
H	2.04	1.40	1.91	1.83	2.53
N	2.78	1.91	2.76	2.57	3.31
O	2.70	1.83	2.57	2.80	3.04
S	3.44	2.53	3.31	3.04	3.87

The model's predicted potential for pair H-O is **minimal** at the typical bond length of the atom pair.

Two atoms are in a **stable state** (= lowest energy) at their bond lengths. → At their typical bond length the energy to break their bond, which corresponds to their **AE is lowest**.

Model 2: Explanations

Potential of atom pair C-C



Typical bond lengths single bonds in AU

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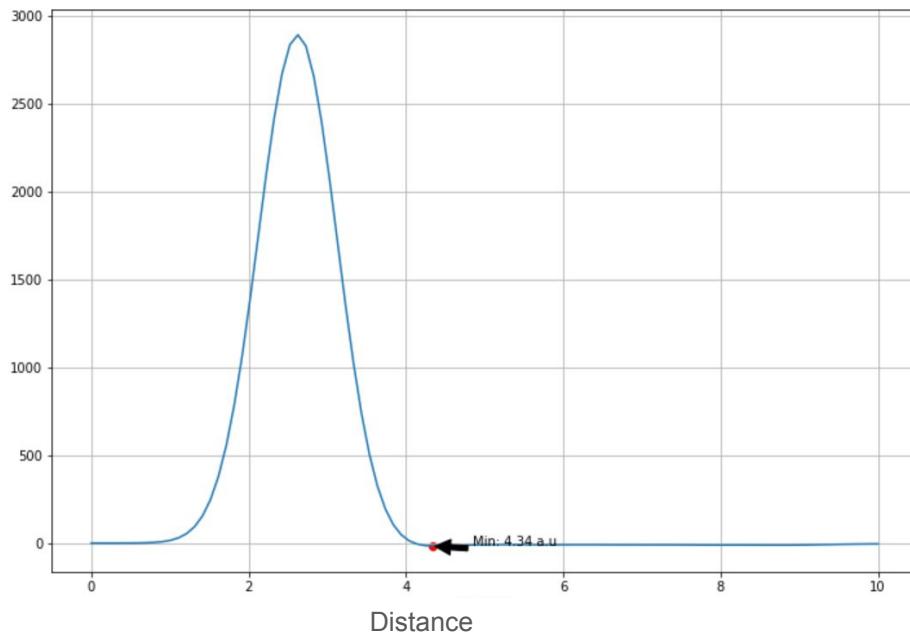
Typical single bond length of C-C pair is **significantly higher** than the distance with minimal energy predicted by the model.

Typical lengths for double/ triple bonds are lower!

Model 2: Explanations

Typical bond lengths single bonds in AU

Potential of atom pair O-O



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Minimal Potential at distance much higher than typical bond length.

Possible Limitations:

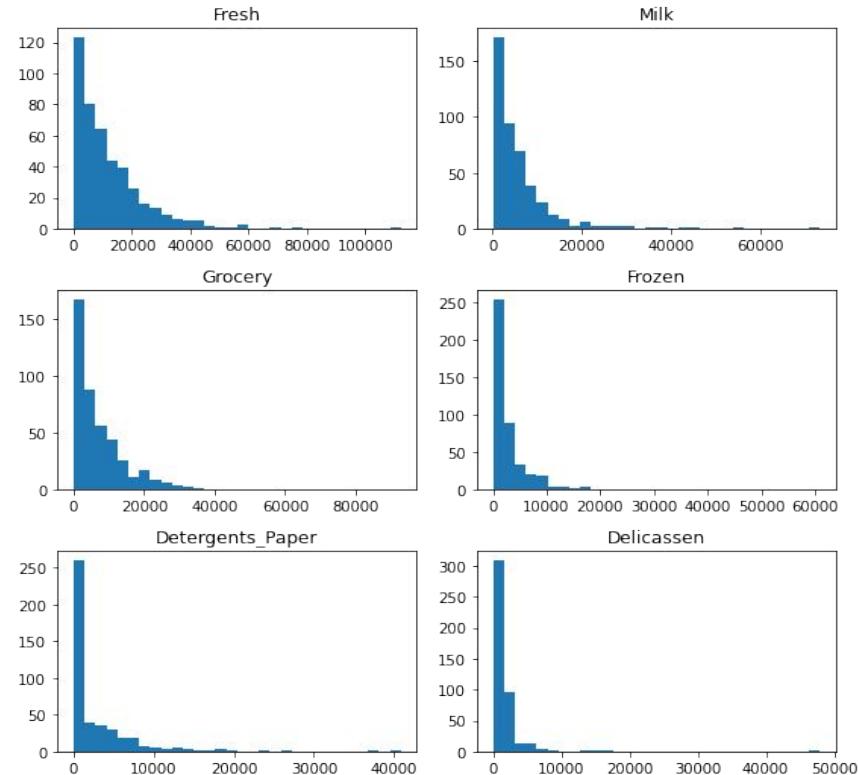
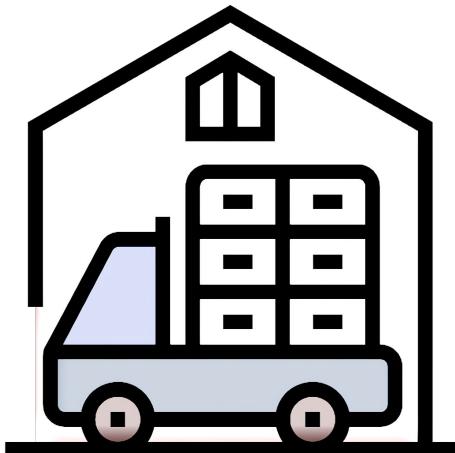
- not enough examples of this pair in the dataset
- groups of atoms contribute to AE

I. Getting Insights into an Unsupervised Dataset

Presented by: **Sona Mehdizade**

Dataset Overview

- **Dataset:** UCI Wholesale customers
The dataset consists of annual spending on 6 different product categories by 440 wholesale customers.
- **Objective:** Identify patterns and anomalies in spending behavior of customers and extract explanations for these anomalies.



Data Preprocessing - Log Transformation

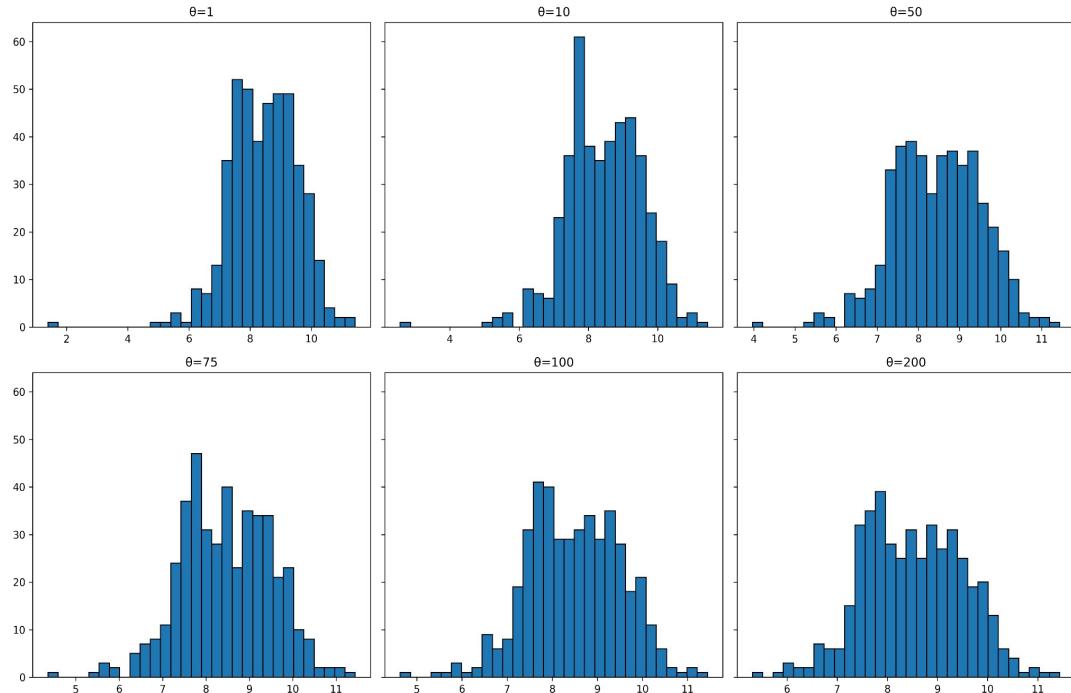
Selection of θ :

- Visual evaluation with histograms
- Jarque-Bera normality test

$$x \mapsto \log(x + \theta)$$

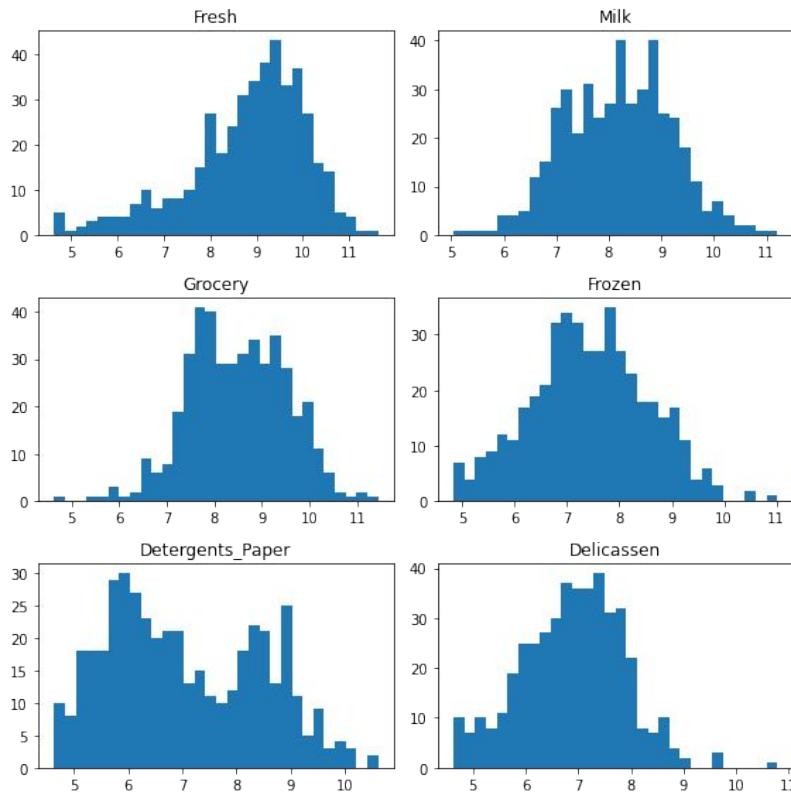
For Grocery category

θ	JB Statistics	P-value
1	210.779	0.000
10	52.777	0.000
50	5.540	0.063
75	2.309	0.315
100	1.170	0.557
200	1.287	0.526



Distributions after Transformation

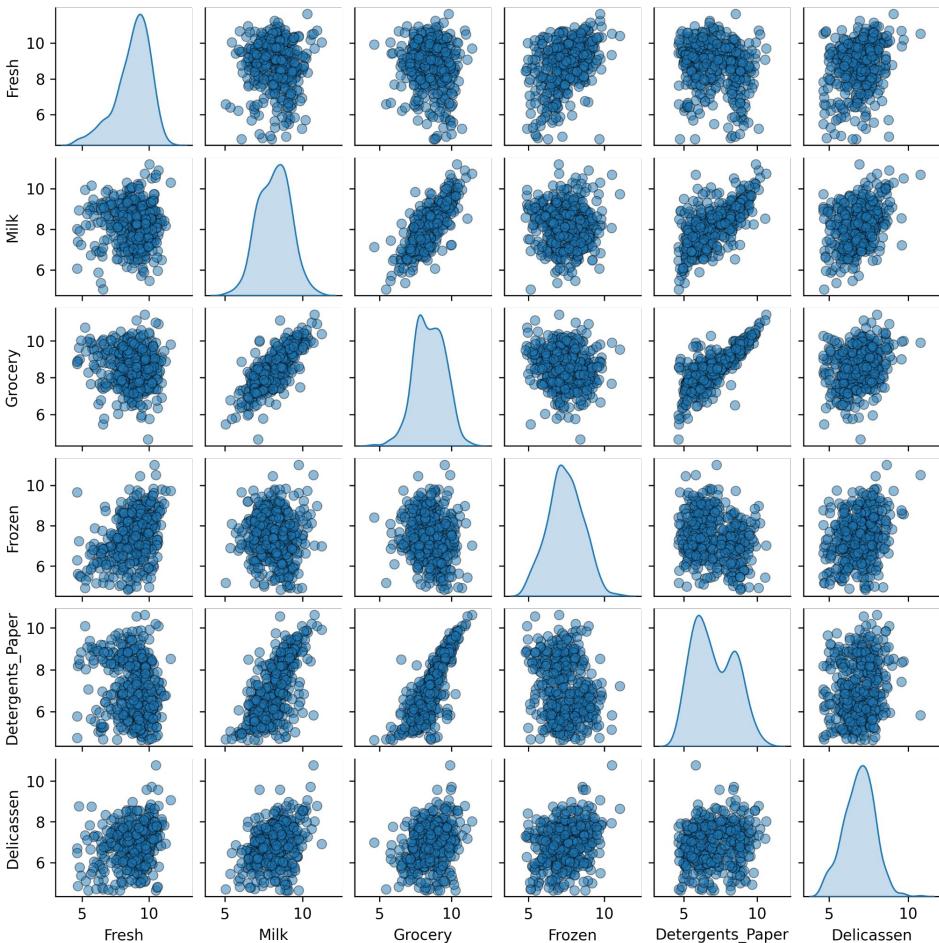
- After transformation ($\theta=100$) , the distributions appears more Gaussian.
- It ensures that high spenders do not overshadow typical spenders, making it possible to analyze patterns among the majority of the customers.



Correlation between spending categories

High Correlation Between Categories:

- Grocery and Detergents/Paper
- Milk and Grocery
- Milk and Detergents/Paper



Outlier Detection

1. Nearest Neighbor-based Anomaly Detection.

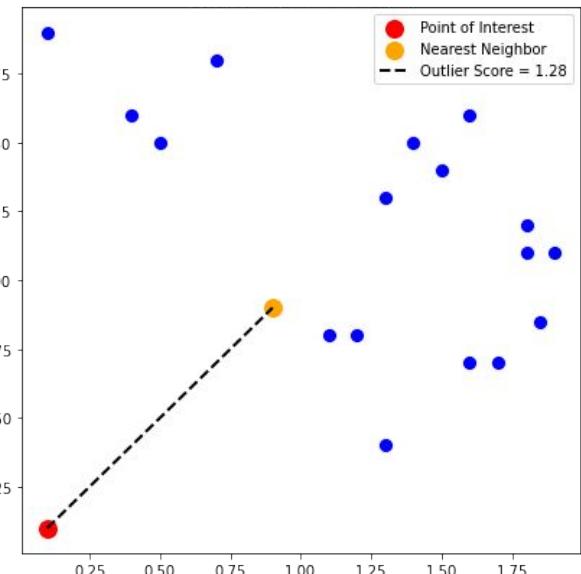
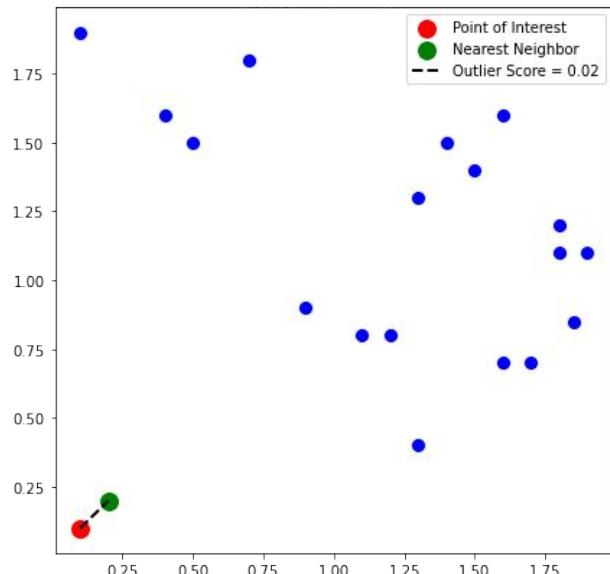
$$z_{jk} = \|\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_k\|^2$$

$$y_j = \min_{k \neq j} z_{jk}$$

$$y_j = 0.02$$

$$y_j = 1.28$$

If the nearest neighbor is very close but the next one is far, the outlier score can change drastically if the nearest point is missing.

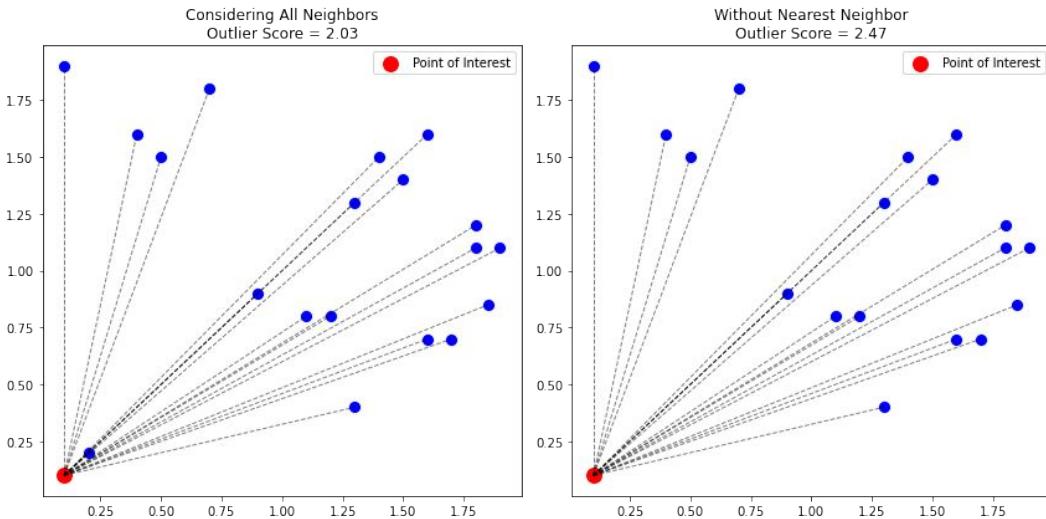


Robust anomaly detection

- Soft minimum approach: factor in all neighbors' contributions
- More robust to dataset variations

$$y_j = \text{soft min}_{k \neq j} z_{jk} = -\frac{1}{\gamma} \log \left(\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k \neq j} \exp(-\gamma z_{jk}) \right)$$

- The soft minimum is computed using the log-sum-exp trick to maintain numerical stability.



Selecting a suitable parameter γ

The parameter γ has to be chosen to maximize distinction between anomalous and non-anomalous instances.

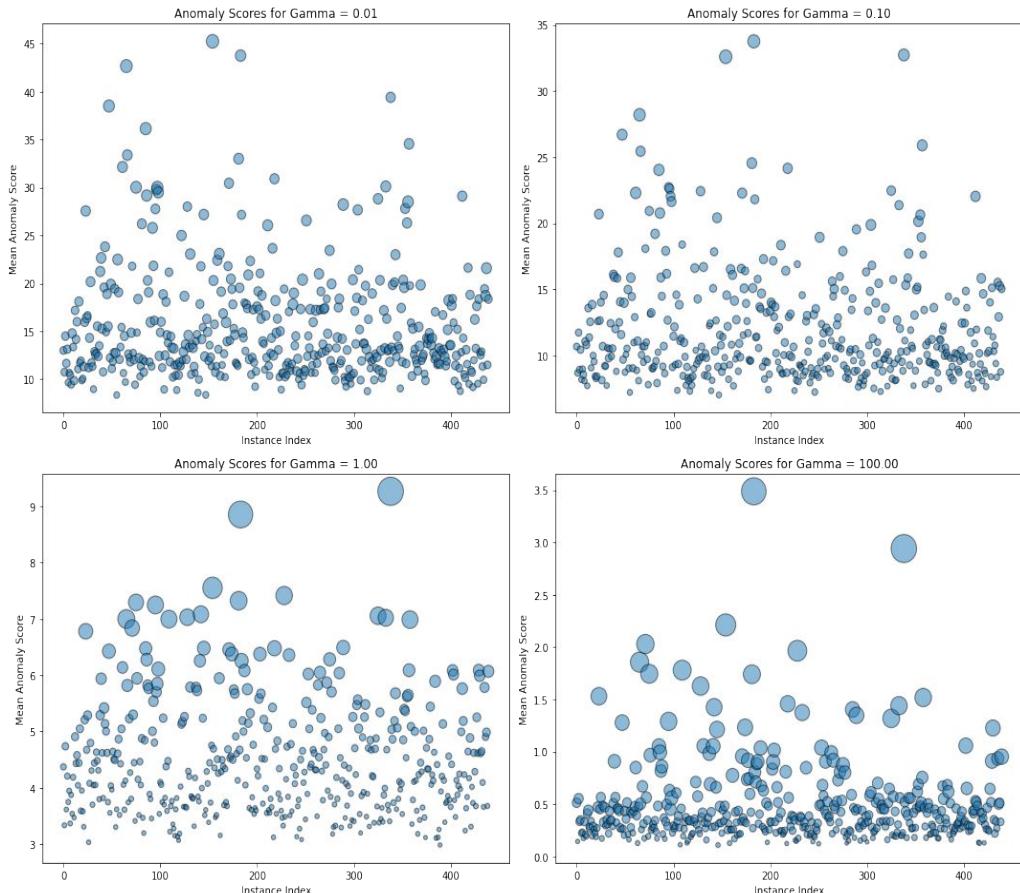
Bootstrapping Approach:

- Simulate several dataset variants with replacement.
- Calculate anomaly scores for each variant.
- Analyze mean and spread of scores.

Optimal γ Selection:

- Balance between separability and spread.
- Visual and metric-based evaluation.

$\gamma=1$ seems optimal

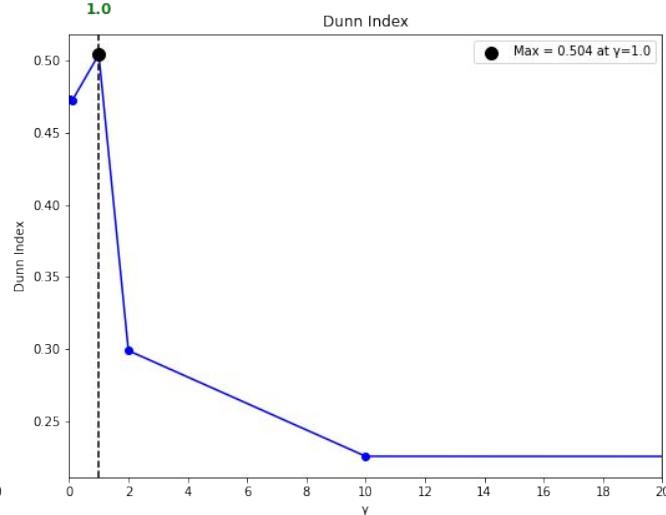
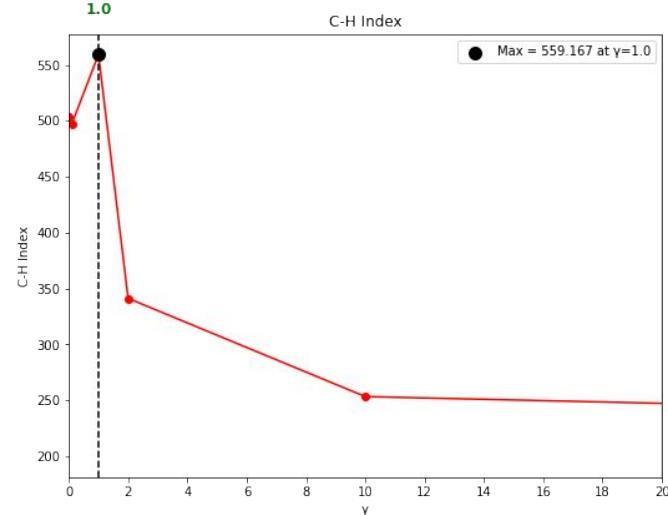
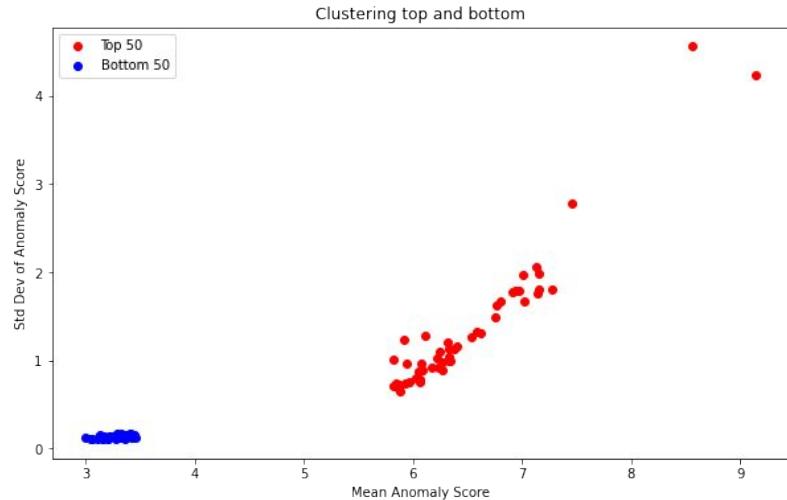


Optimal γ with evaluation metric

1. Select the top 50 and bottom 50 instances based on their mean anomaly scores.
2. Apply K-means clustering with 2 clusters on the combined dataset.
3. Evaluate clustering quality by C-H, Dunn

$$\text{Calinski-Harabasz} = \frac{\sum_k \sum_{i \in C_k} \|\mu_k - \mu\|^2}{\sum_k \sum_{i \in C_k} \|x_i - \mu_k\|^2} \cdot \frac{N - K}{K - 1}$$

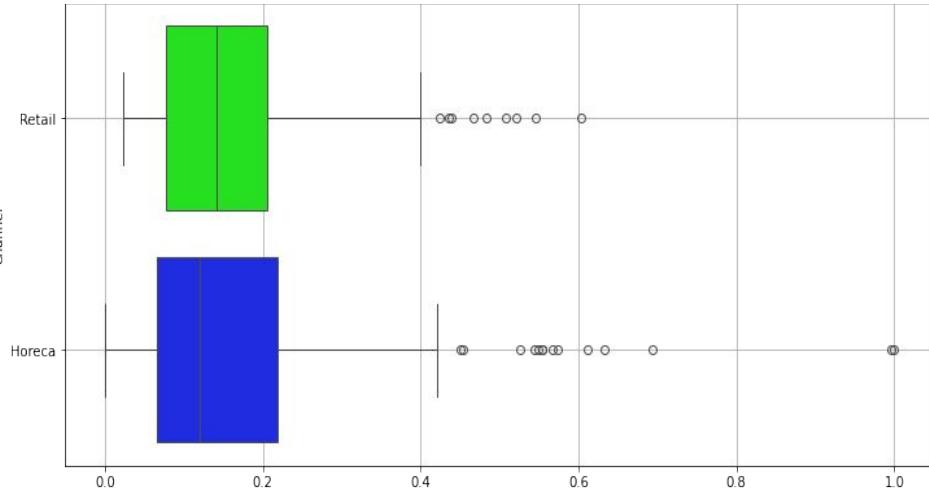
$$\text{Dunn} = \frac{\min_{(i,j):c_i \neq c_j} \|x_i - x_j\|}{\max_{(i,j):c_i = c_j} \|x_i - x_j\|}$$



Relation between Anomalies and Metadata

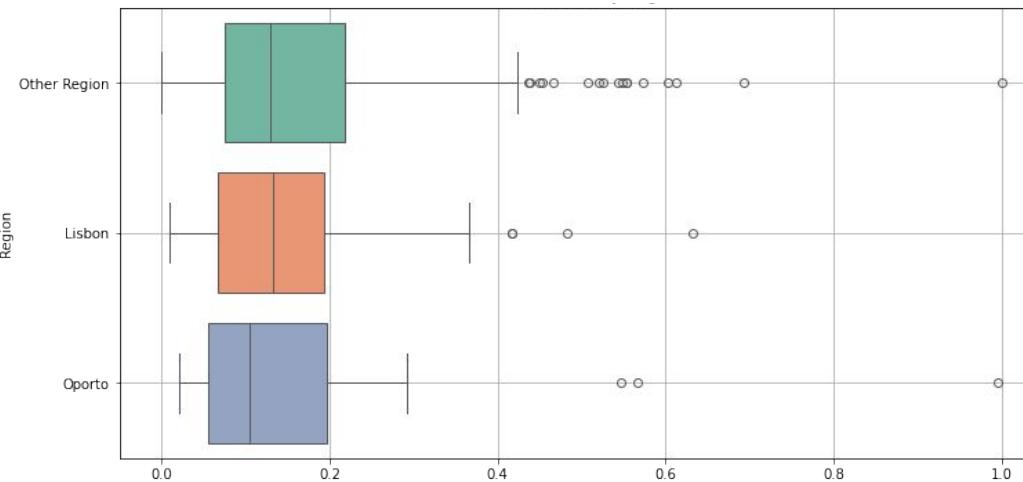
Channel-wise Analysis:

1. **Retail:** Higher median score, Fewer extremes
2. **Horeca(Hotel, Restaurant, Café):** Lower median, more extreme anomalies

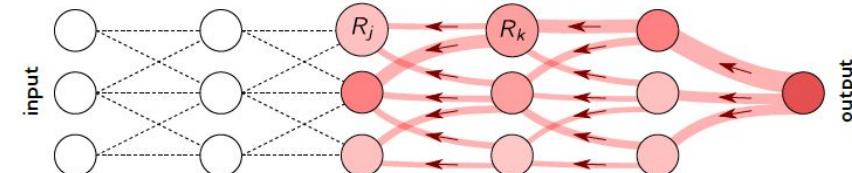
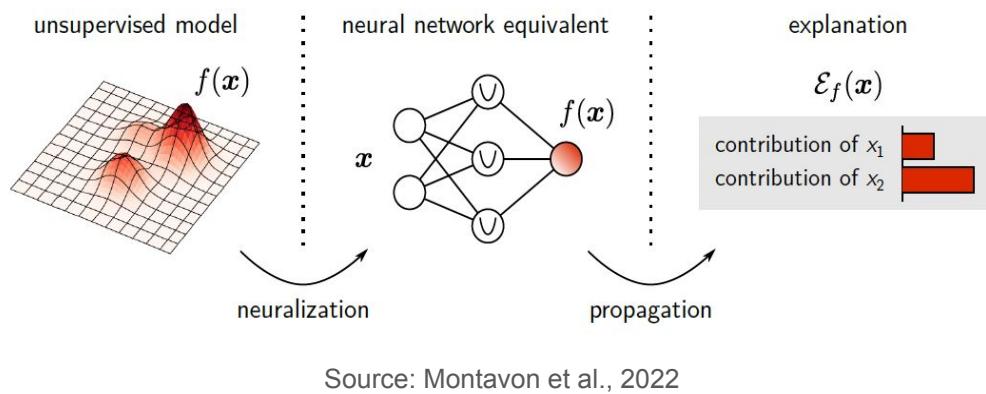


Region-wise Analysis:

1. **Other Region:** High median, many extreme outliers
2. **Lisbon:** Slightly higher median, fewer extremes
3. **Oporto:** Lowest median, fewest extremes



XAI LRP application for Explanations - NEON approach



Source: Montavon et al., 2019

$$R_j = \sum_k \frac{z_{jk}}{\sum_j z_{jk}} R_k$$

NEON Method: Converts an unsupervised model to an equivalent neural network for LRP.

- 1. Neuralization:** Rewrites the unsupervised model as a neural network.

$$\text{Layer 1: } z_{jk} = \|x_j - x_k\|^2$$

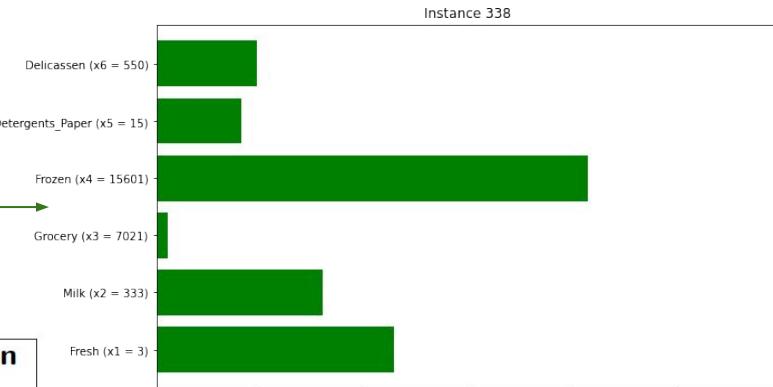
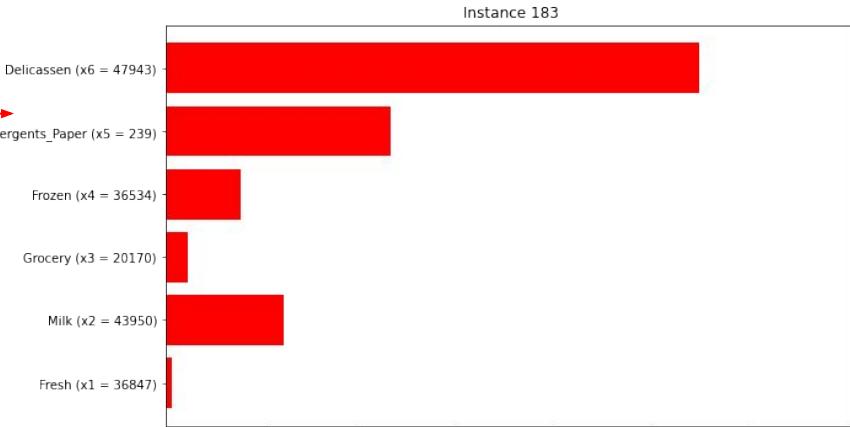
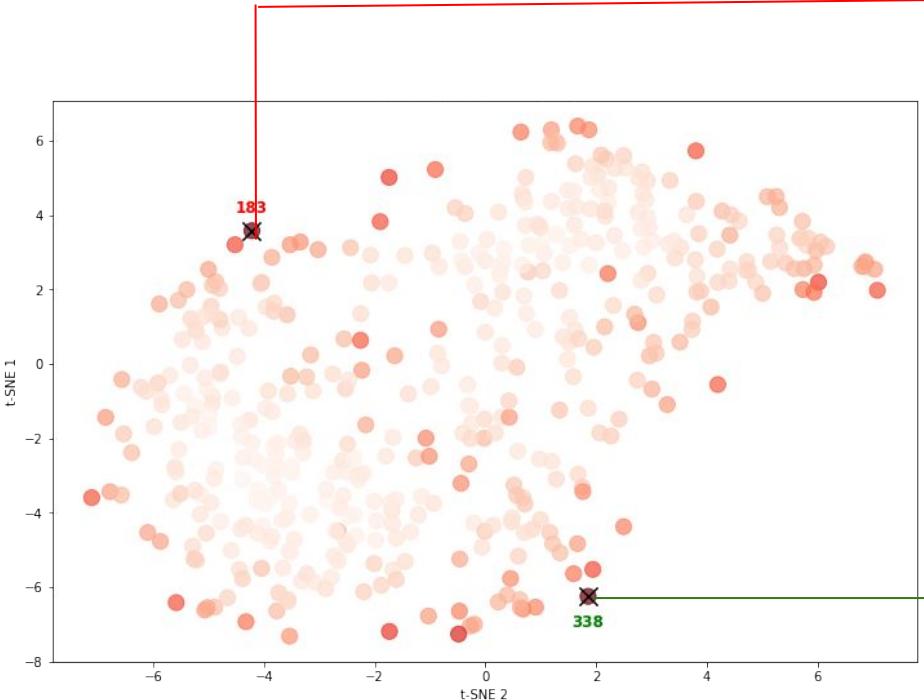
$$\text{Layer 2: } y_j = \text{soft min}_{k \neq j} z_{jk} = -\frac{1}{\gamma} \log \left(\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k \neq j} \exp(-\gamma z_{jk}) \right)$$

- 2. Propagation:** Applies LRP to the neural network to explain predictions.

$$\text{Layer 2 to Layer 1: } R_k^{(j)} = \frac{\exp(-\gamma z_{jk})}{\sum_{k \neq j} \exp(-\gamma z_{jk})} \cdot y_j$$

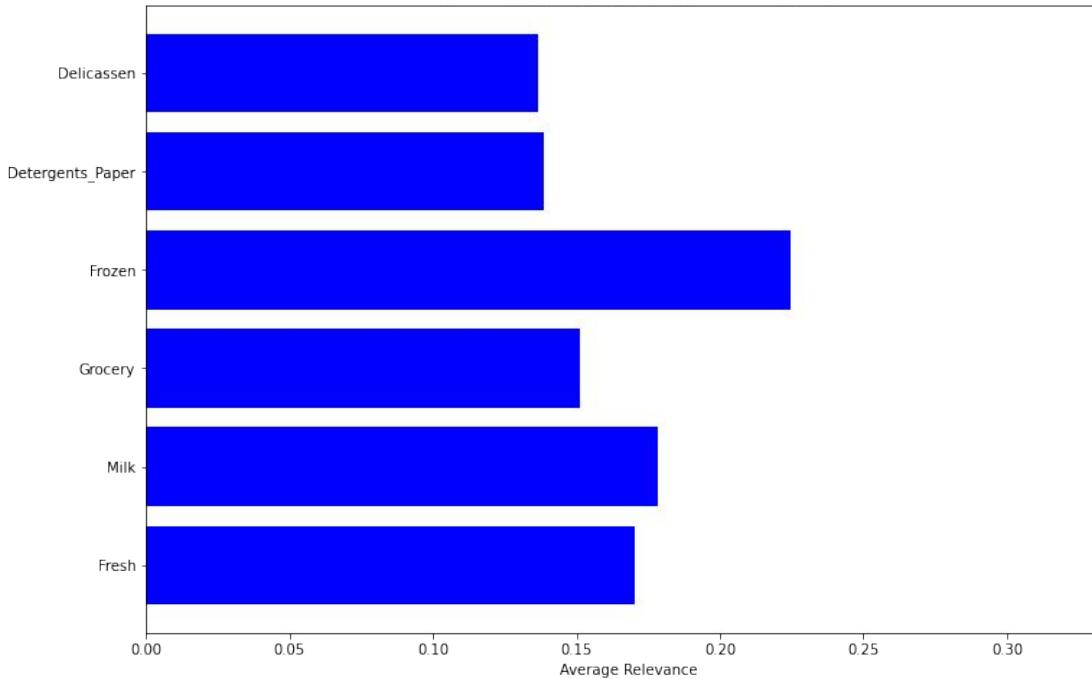
$$\text{Layer 1 to Input Features: } R_i^{(j)} = \sum_{k \neq j} \frac{(x_{ki} - x_{ji})^2}{\|x_k - x_j\|^2} \cdot R_k^{(j)}$$

Explanation for an instance



instance	fresh	milk	grocery	frozen	detergents paper	delicatessen
183	36847	43950	20170	36534	239	47943
338	3	333	7201	15601	15	550
AVG	12000	5796	7951	3072	2881	1525

Feature Relevance Analysis for Top 10 Outliers



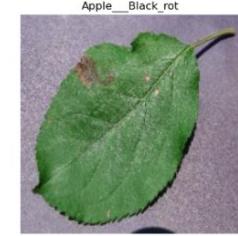
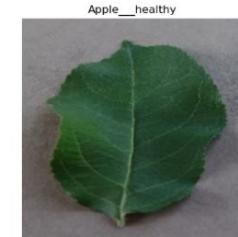
- Normalized contributions to compare across varied outlierness scores
- Frozen category most significant for top outliers

III. Getting Insights into Images and their Metadata

Presented by: **Jakub Tarka**

Introduction

- **Dataset:** Images of apple leaves in two classes: healthy and rotten
- **Objective:** determine relation between images and their metadata
- Instead of working in pixel space, use a pre-trained image classification neural network:
VGG-16
- Extract more general lower-level feature representation

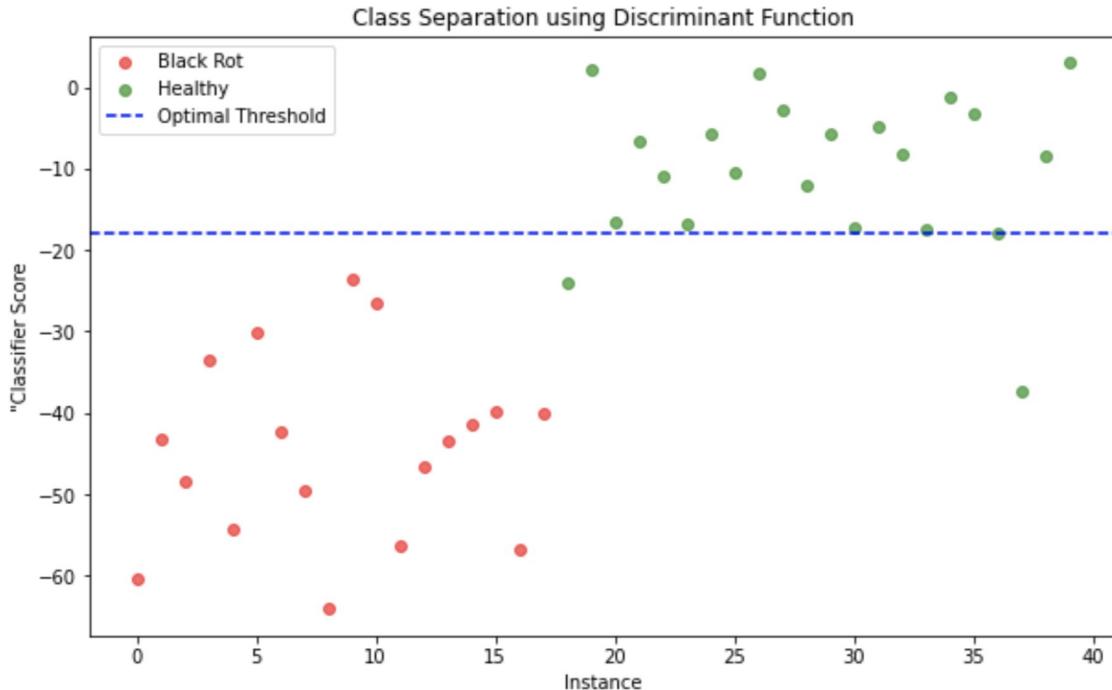


Difference of Means

- Difference of Means applied on feature representation
- $g(\mathbf{x})$ contains classifier scores for each instance
- Clear separation of the two classes
- Youden's J statistic to determine optimal separation threshold

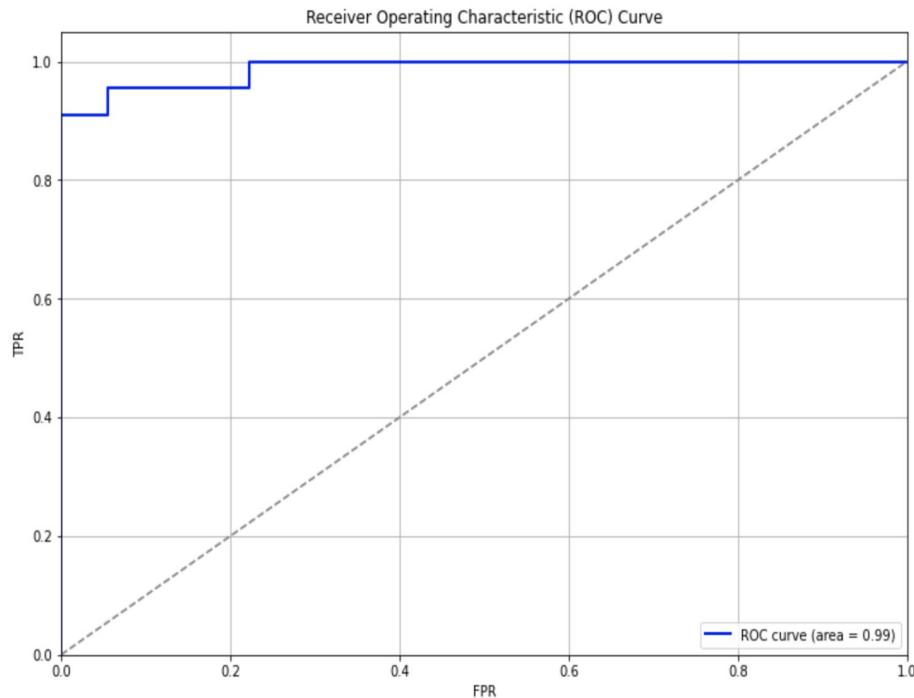
$$\mathbf{w} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1}{\|\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1\|} \quad \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{C}_1|} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{C}_1} \Phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^\top \Phi(\mathbf{x}) \quad \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{C}_2|} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{C}_2} \Phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$



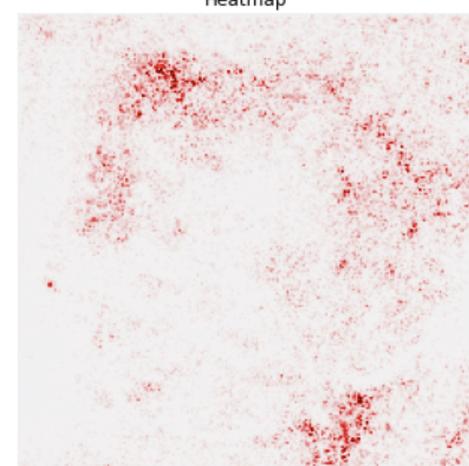
ROC Curve and ROC-AUC Score

- Metric to quantify the quality of the Difference of Means classifier
- Test instances: 18 healthy, 22 black rot
- AUC metric implies near perfect classification (small variations)



Sensitivity Analysis

- Classes are separable, but why?
- Find which input features contribute the most to the classification score
- Gradient-based approach:
 - Pass image through the network
 - Perform backward pass to compute gradients
 - Compute norm over all 3 channels
 - Output is a 224x224 tensor which can be rendered as a heatmap
- Result is noisy and misses key features.



$$S_i = \left\| \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} \right\|^2$$

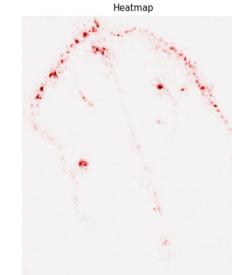
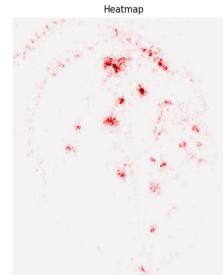
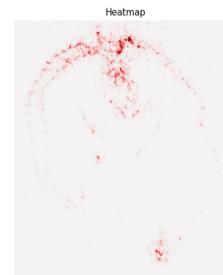
Robustification - Biased Layer

- **Idea:** Bias the gradient to highlight excitatory effects.
- Create Biased Layers which amplify those weights which have a positive value.
- Replace Convolutional and Linear layers with Biased Layers
- Visible improvement: less noise, more accuracy
- High level of inaccuracy remains

$$z_k = \left(\sum_j a_j w_{jk}^\uparrow + b_k^\uparrow \right) \cdot \left[\frac{\sum_j a_j w_{jk} + b_k}{\sum_j a_j w_{jk}^\uparrow + b_k^\uparrow} \right]_{\text{cst.}}$$

$$w_{jk}^\uparrow = w_{jk} + 0.25 \max(0, w_{jk})$$

$$b_k^\uparrow = b_k + 0.25 \max(0, b_k).$$



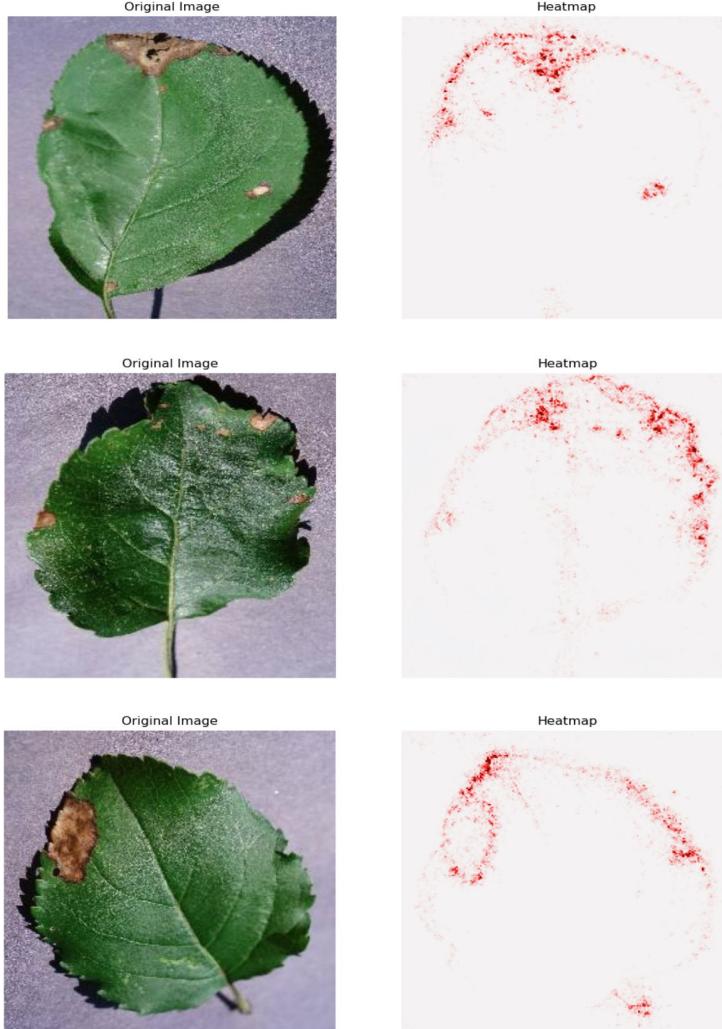
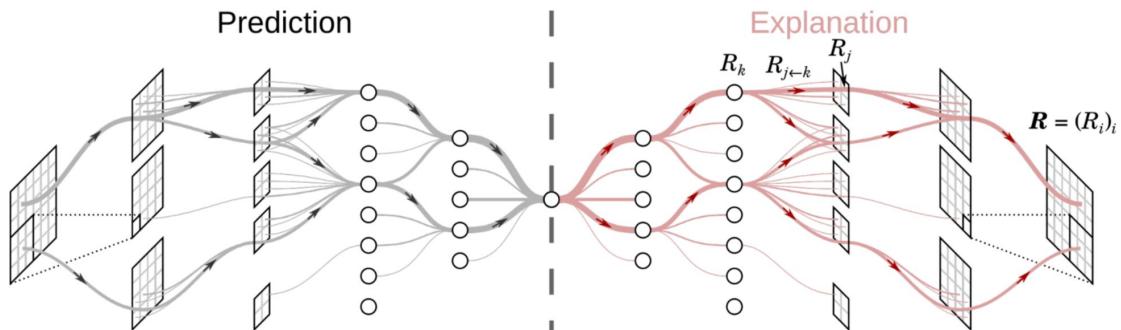
Robustification - Discussion

1. Explanation Method

- Gradient-based methods are noisy

Solutions:

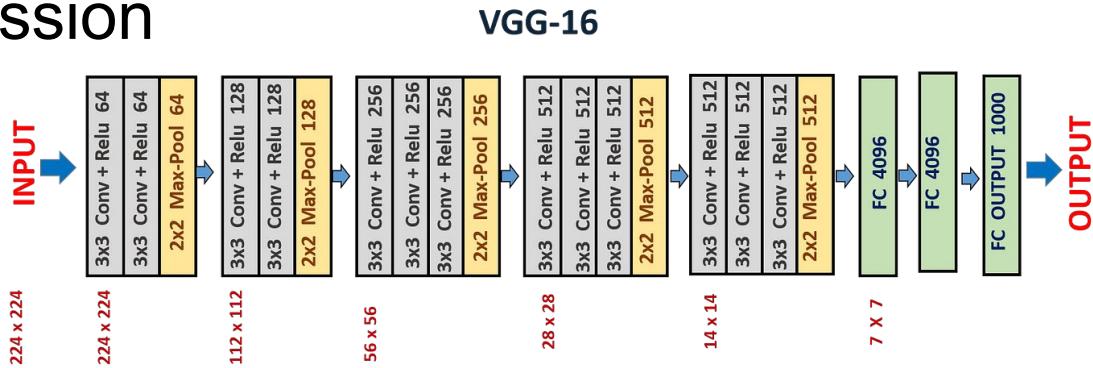
- More robust methods available, e.g. *SmoothGrad* - reduces noise by adding noise
- Propagation-based methods: *LRP*



Robustification - Discussion

2. Pre-Trained Model

- VGG-16 not trained on plants, trees, leaves
- No understanding of what a leaf is supposed to look like



Solutions:

- Fine-Tuning the Model - add layers and train on the given leaf dataset
- Domain-Specific Pre-Trained Models are available, trained on *PlantVillage* dataset
- Segmentation-Based Models

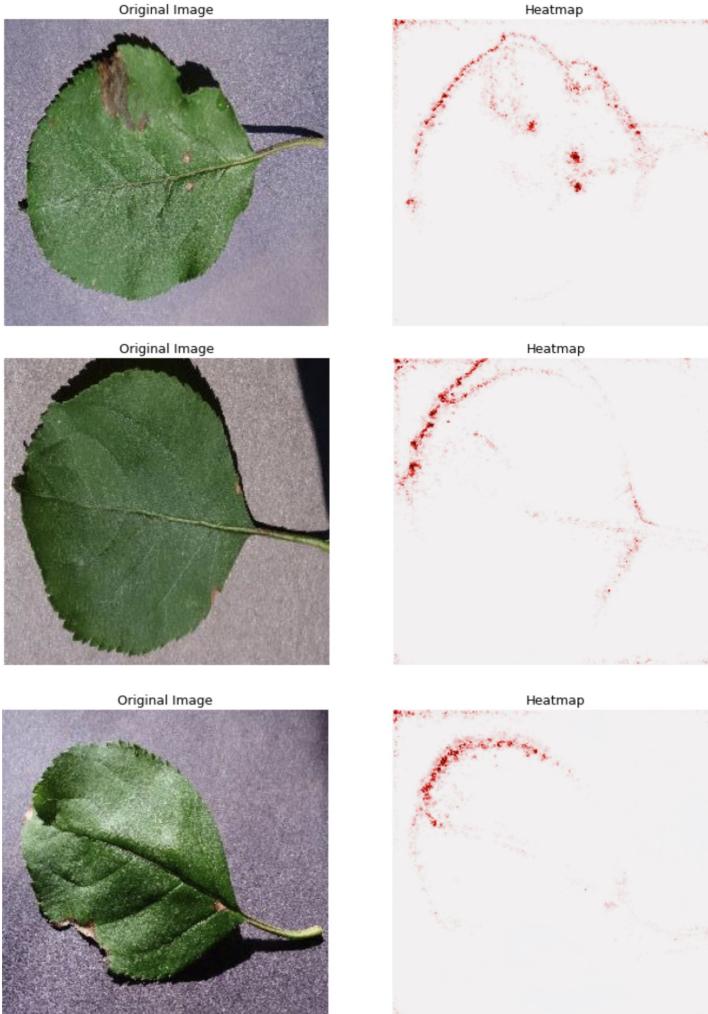
Robustification - Discussion

3. Data Quality

- Leaf edges and shadows are often highlighted due to abrupt pixel changes
- Possible training data bias between class metadata

Solutions:

- Extract bounding box of leaf parts only
- Augment dataset:
 - Different backgrounds
 - Rotation/Flipping
 - Light Intensity
 - Scaling and cropping
 - Random noise
- Blur / reduce image size



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Thank you!

Do you have any question?