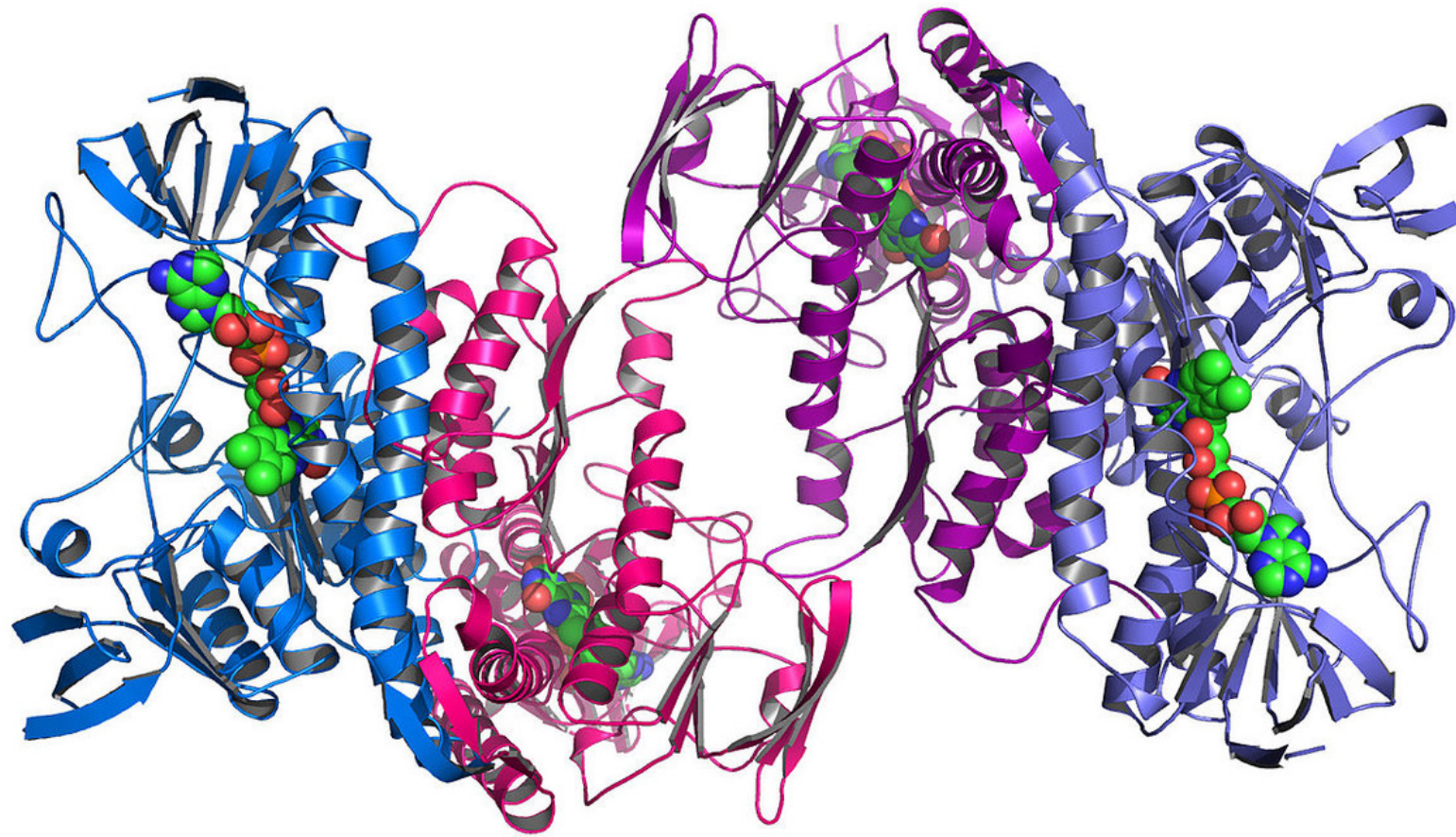


Protein Classification

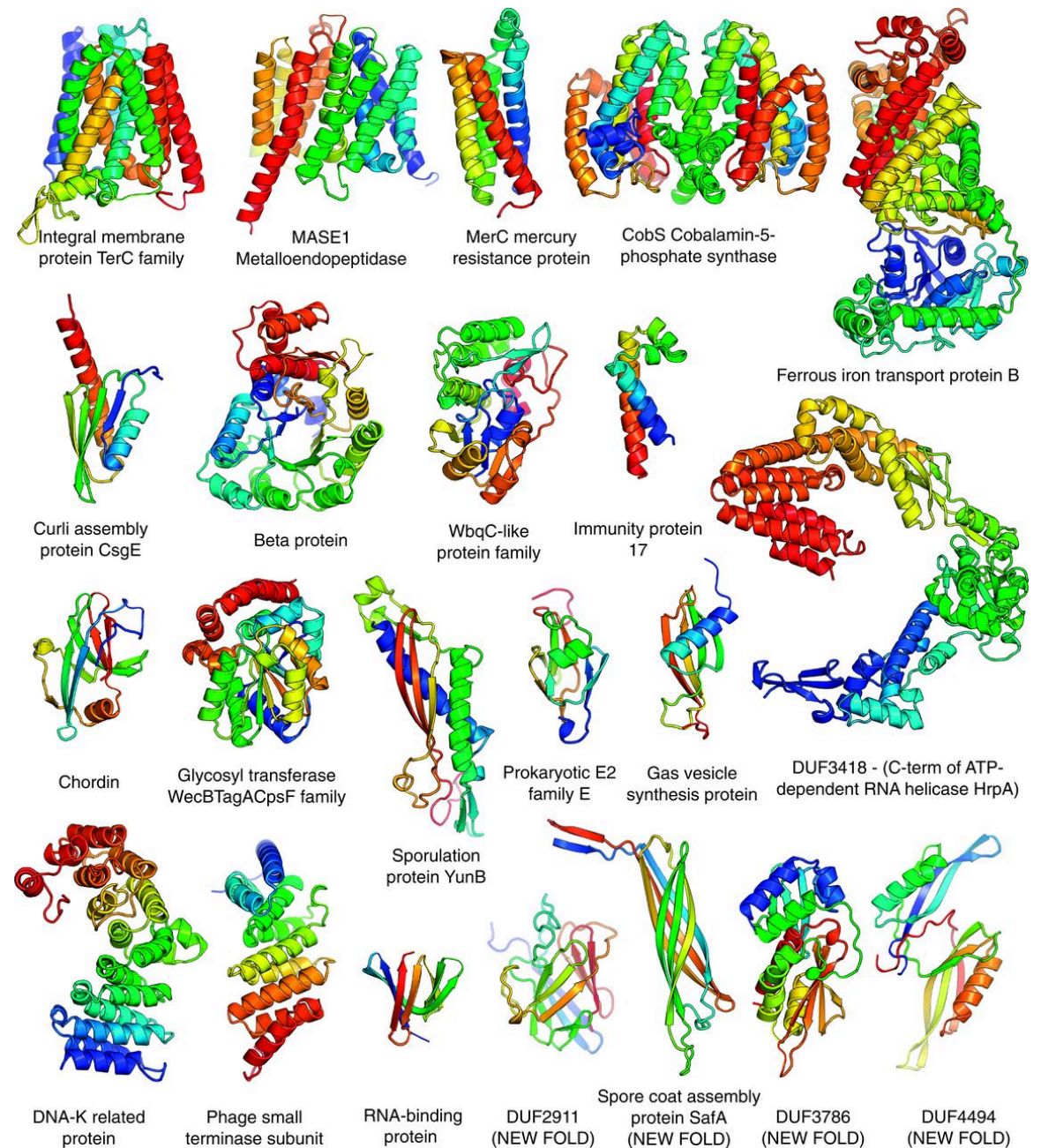
Functional & Cellular Location Prediction

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PROTEINS

- **Biological Polymers**
- **Made of 20 naturally occurring amino acids**
- **Essential for life: enzymes, immune system defenders, necessary for thought, sensation, digestion, breathing,**

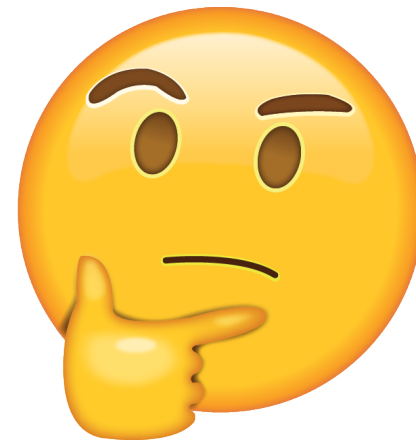


Outline

- **Supervised Machine Learning Classification *using only the Protein Amino Acid Sequence***
- **Predict the function: *what does the protein do?***
- **Predict the cellular location: *where is the protein inside the cell?***

Motivation

- *A scientist in biotech industry or academia discovers a novel Protein that plays a vital role in some disease*
- *How to determine what it does? Or where it is located?*
- *One solution: apply Machine Learning Methods to predict the function and location
....Save time & energy*



Functional Class

What does the protein do?

Some Functions:

Hydrolase (a type of enzyme)

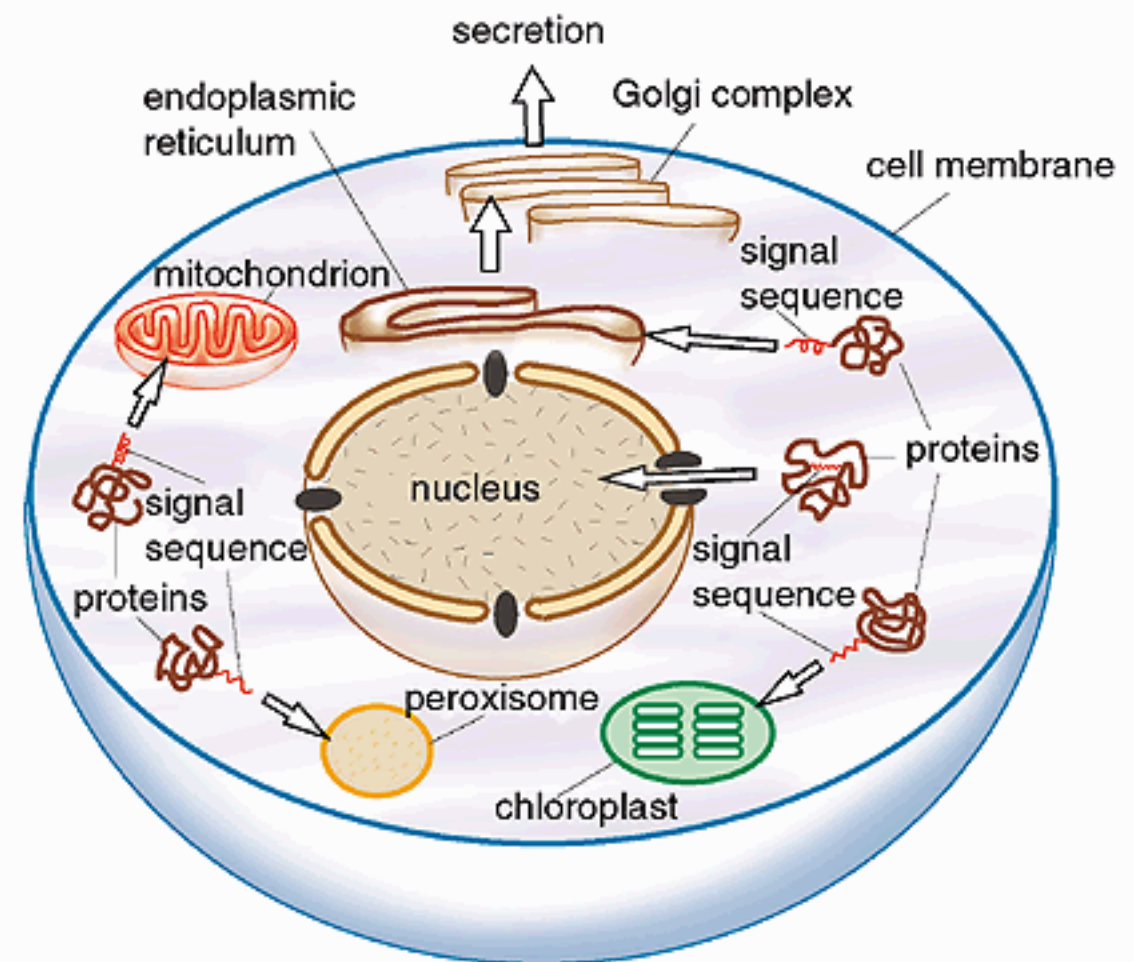
DNA binding

Transporter

Immune system

Cellular Location

- Cell is divided into compartments
- Each protein has its own location inside the cell
- Predict where the protein is:
Nucleus? ER?
mitochondrion?....etc, etc



Peptide Count:

Sliding Window

W A L A L E U

W A L A L E U

W A L A L E U

W A L A L E U

W A L A L E U

W A L A L E U

WAL	ALA	LAL	ALE	LEU	PAW
1	1	1	1	1	0

One-Hot Encoding

Count Vectorizer

String is converted into a Vector
*Using Peptide (**Substring**) Count with Sliding Window*

MVTVGNYCEAGPSEALAVGP...

Protein Sequence String



[1 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0...]

Vector

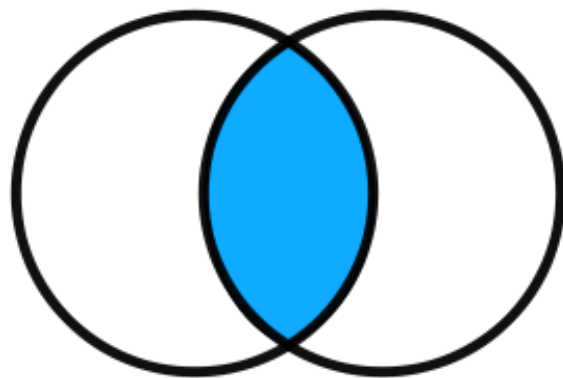
M V T V G ✓

V T V G N ✓

P S E R P ✗

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“all models are flawed, but some are useful”

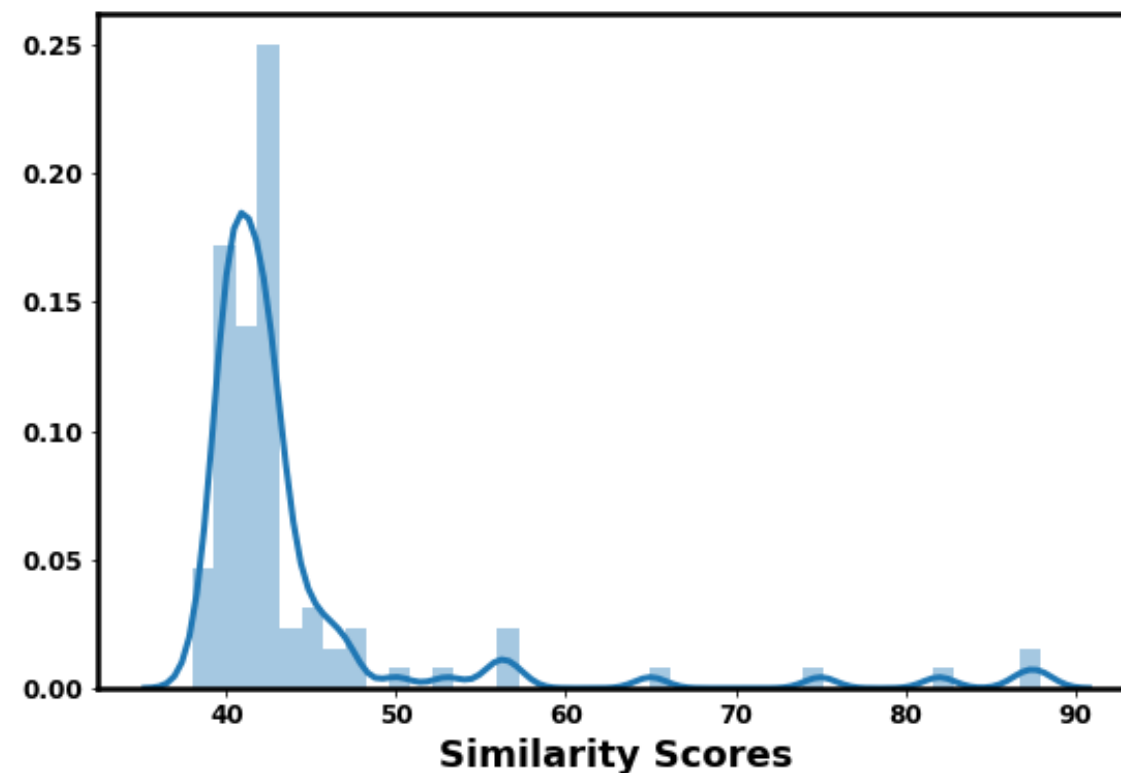


**Fuzzy Wuzzy Analysis
for String Comparison**

**100 Hydrolase sequences
were compared with
Transporter Sequences
using Fuzzy Wuzzy**

**Most Hydrolases
have < 50% similarity
with Transporter sequences.**

**But, some have more than
70% similarity.....
Overlapping categories**



ABC Transporters

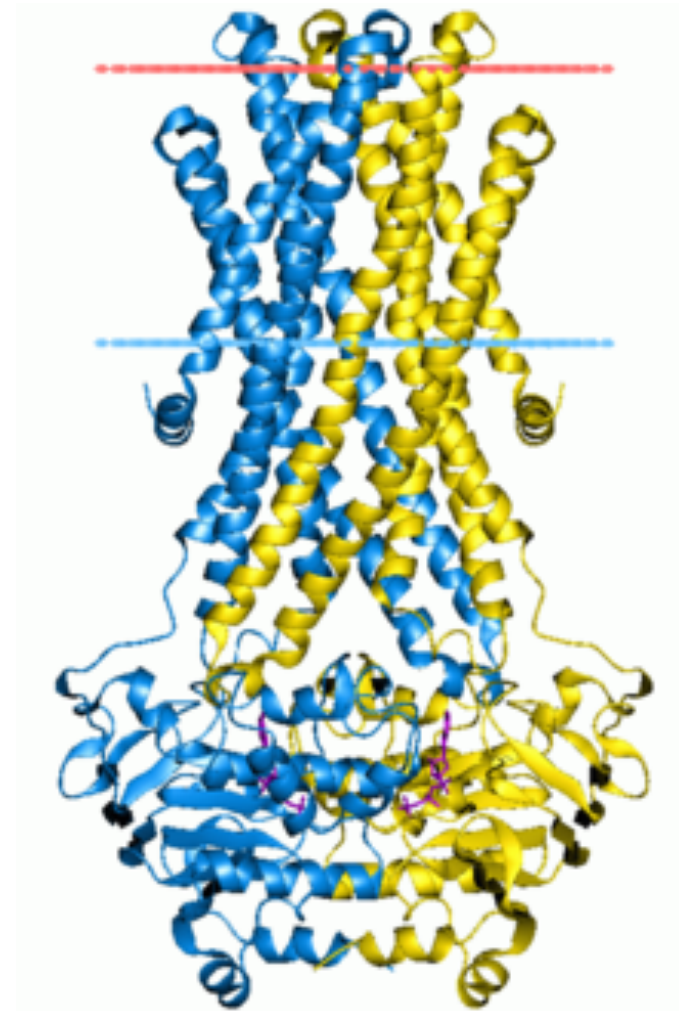
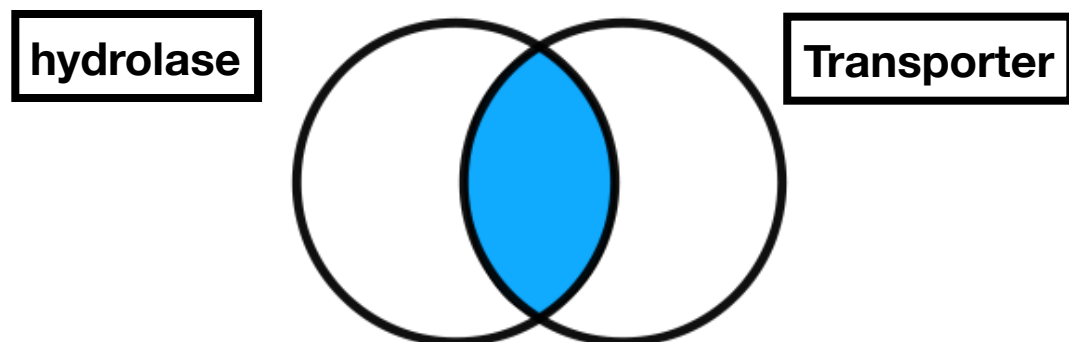
ABC Transporters are proteins that can be classified as

BOTH:

a hydrolase (an enzyme)!

AND *a Transporter!*

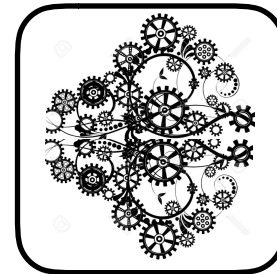
Belong to 2 Functional Classes!



Machine Learning Classification

MVTVGNYCEAEGPVGP...

Function



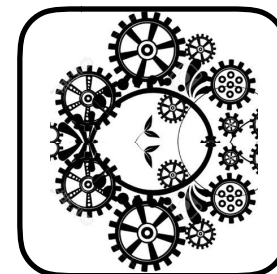
DNA Binding

Ligase

Hydrolase

MFDLEYQLKNLPDKPGV...

Location



Nucleus

Golgi

Mitochondria

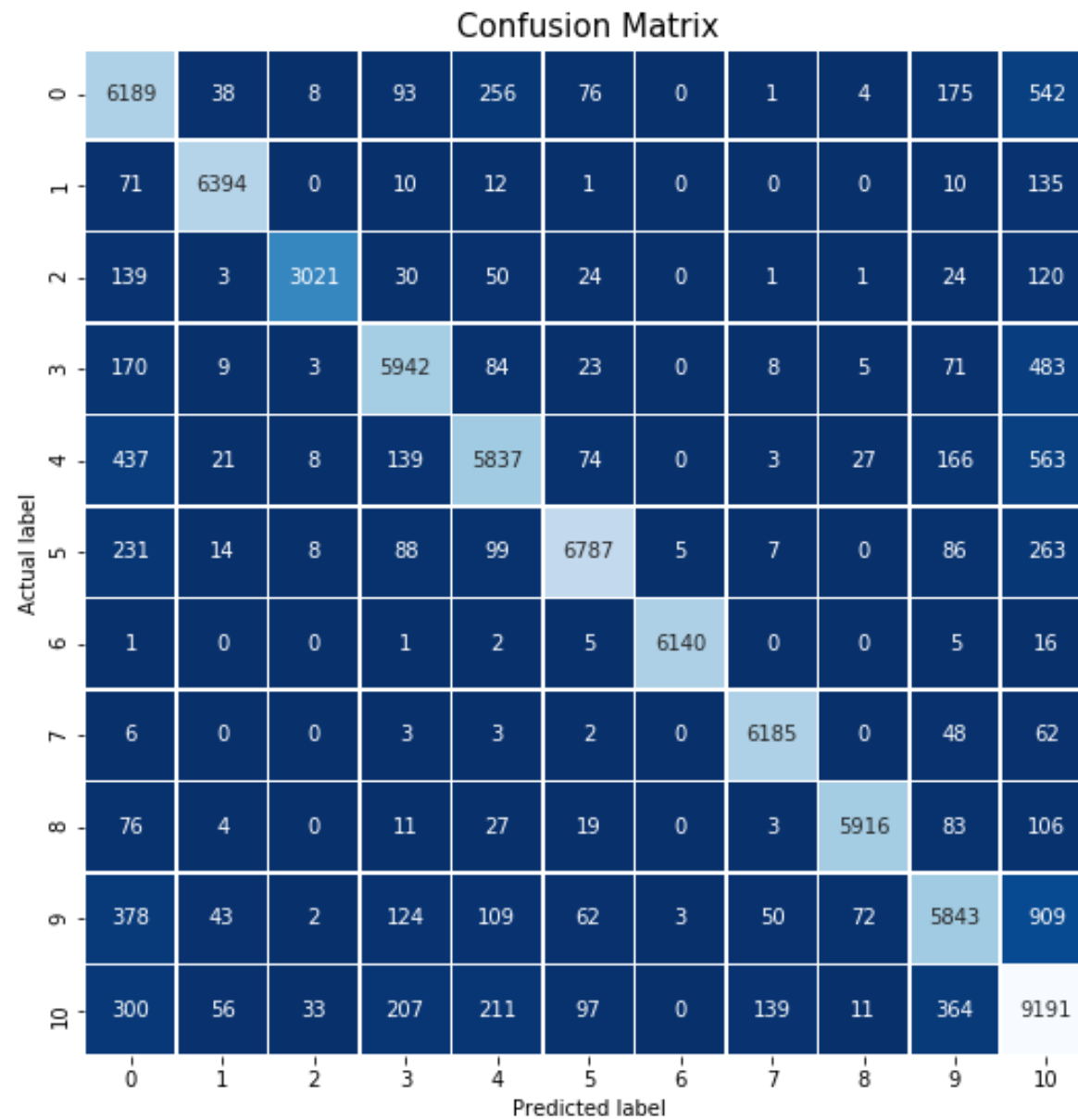
Classifiers

- **Function Prediction:** Majority Voting Classifier made of *Linear Model SGD, Passive Aggressive Classifier, & Multinomial Naive Bayes*
- **Location Prediction:** Majority Voting Classifier made of *Linear Model SGD, Passive Aggressive Classifier, Perceptron, & Multinomial Naive Bayes*

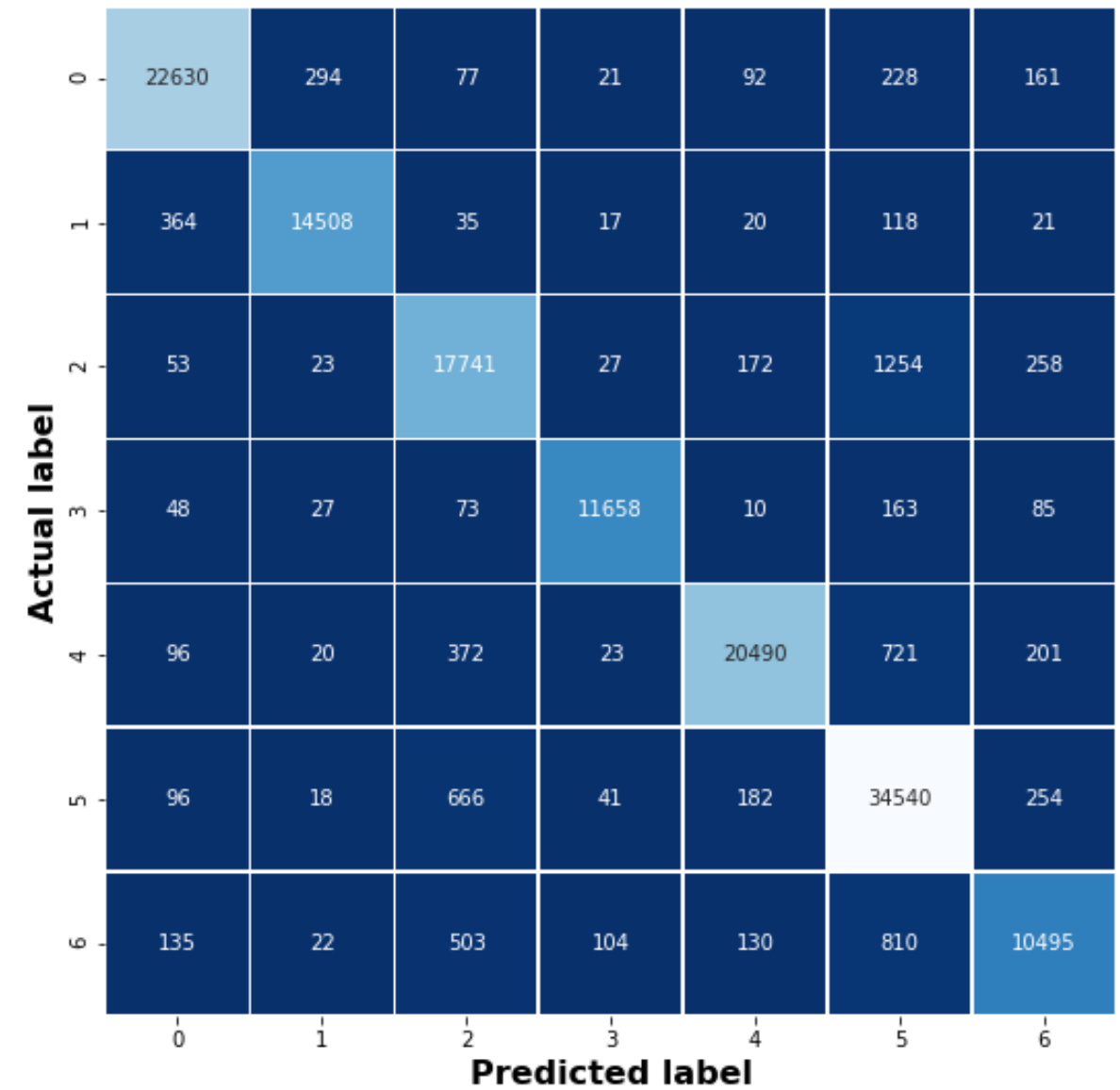
Accuracy & F1 Scores

- *Accuracy on Test Data For Function Classification Model: 89%*
- *F1 Score Range for Function Classification Model: 0.81-1.0*
- *Accuracy on Test Data For Location Classification Model: 94%*
- *F1 Score Range for Location Classification Model: 0.89-0.97*

Confusion Matrices



Function Prediction



Location Prediction

CONCLUSIONS

- *Machine Learning can predict both the function & location of a novel protein*
- *ML Models can predict 11 Functions & 7 Cellular Locations*
- *Overlapping protein classes can be tricky to predict*