CS 260: Foundations of Data Science

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Admin

- **Lab 2** grades & feedback will be posted on Wednesday

- **Lab 3** due tonight

- **Lab 4** posted, due next Monday at midnight

- **Lecture Notes**

Peer Tutoring

- **Student tutors** (Fejiro Anigbro, Darshan Mehta)
- **Flexible hours**
- **Free!**

TECH TALKS 2024

OCTOBER 7,8 & 9TH | 6-8PM EST

Sign up for a 30 minute virtual informational interview with a Tri-Co alum to gain tech career insights!

Alumni will represent various tech roles including software engineering and development, data science, tech consulting, product management and biotech.

OCT 7	OCT 8	OCT 9
Accenture	**Bristol Myers Squibb**	**The Walt Disney Company**
FERMAT Commerce	**Community.com**	**Fresh Tracks Insights**
Grubhub	**C3 Presents (Live Nation)**	**Meta**
	Opower (Oracle)	**Grubhub**

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- Introduction to classification
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- Evaluation Metrics
  - Confusion matrices
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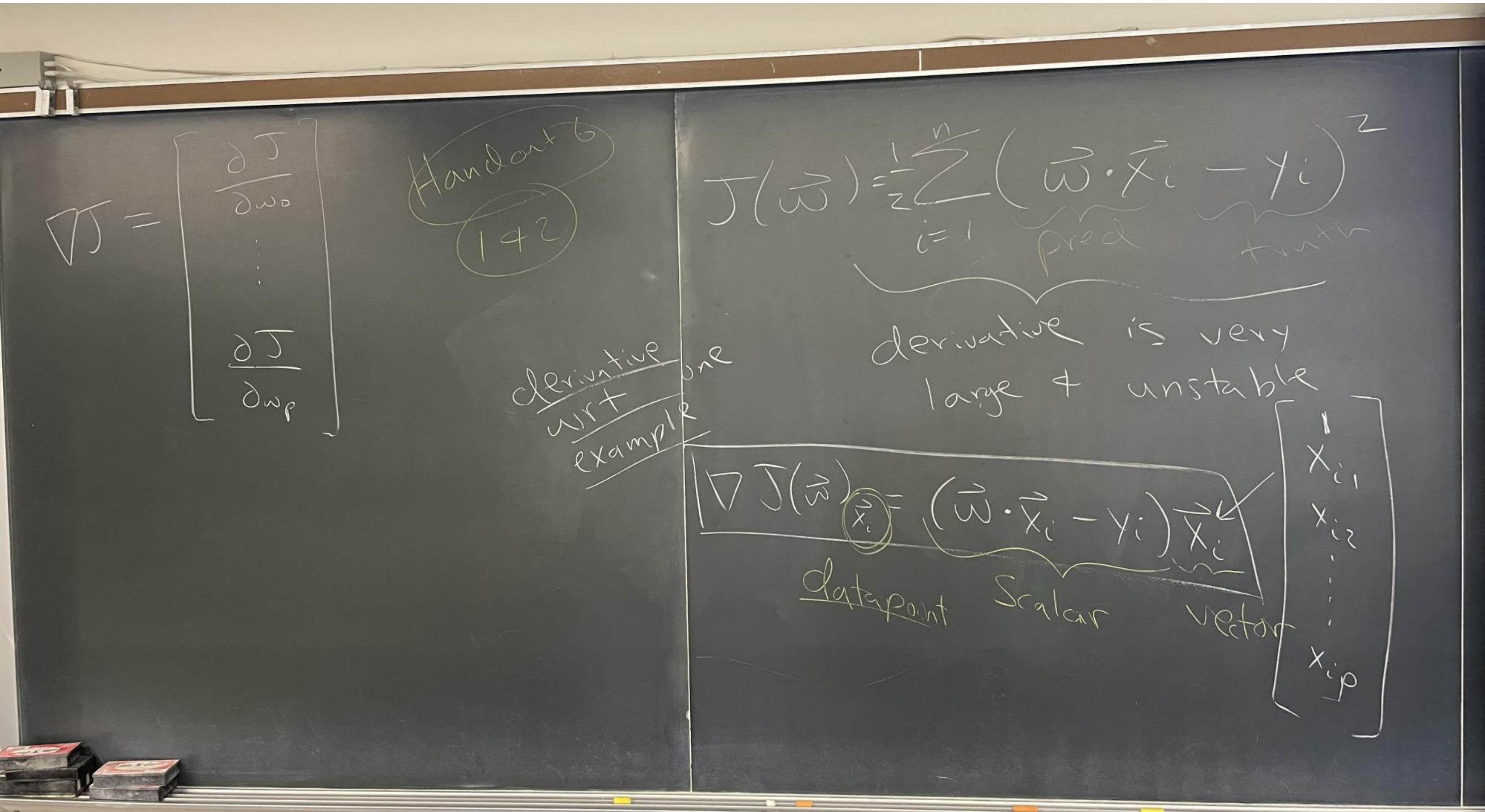
Stochastic Gradient Descent for Linear Regression

Key Idea: take the derivative of **one datapoint** at a time and use that to update w



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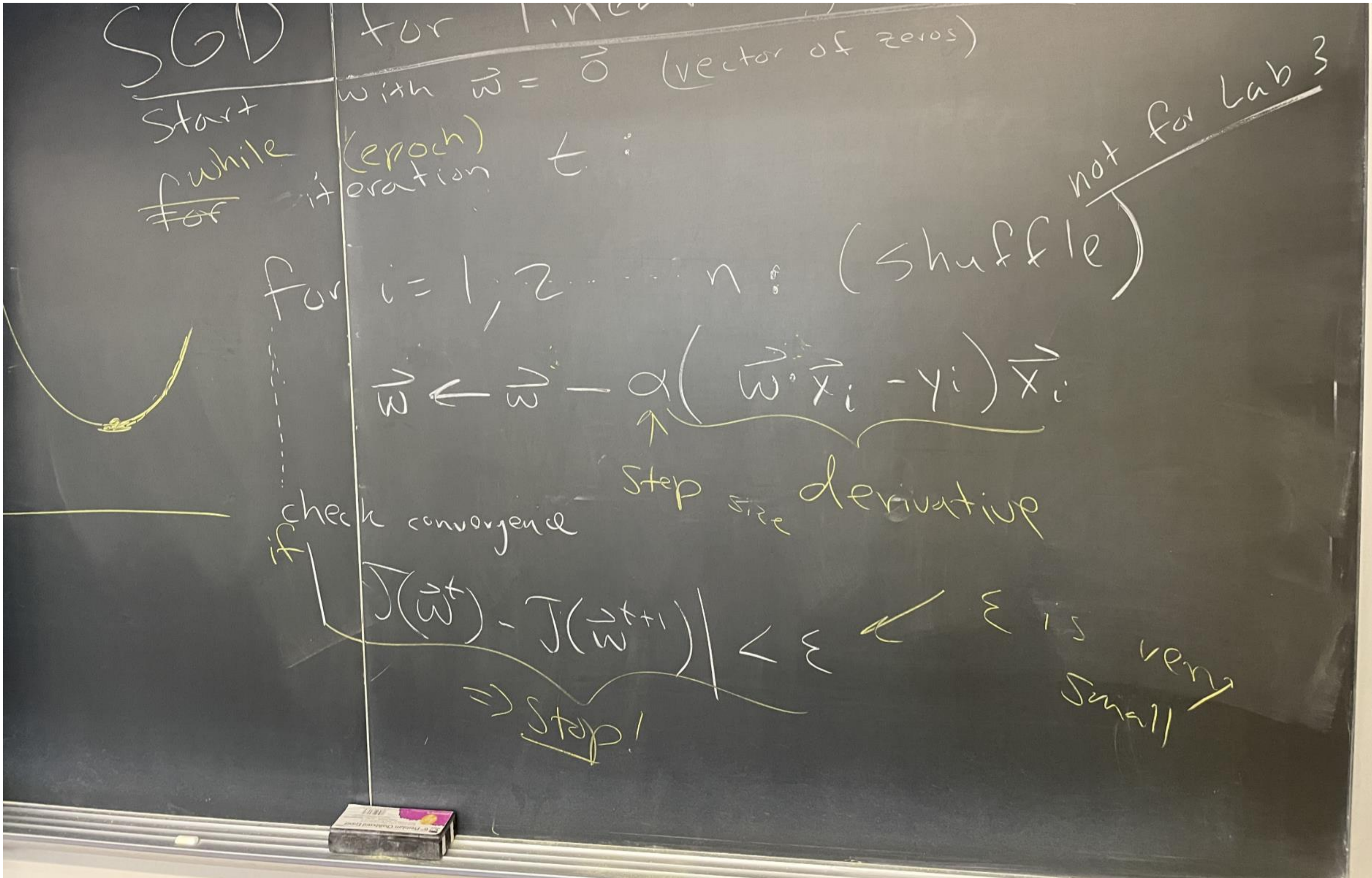
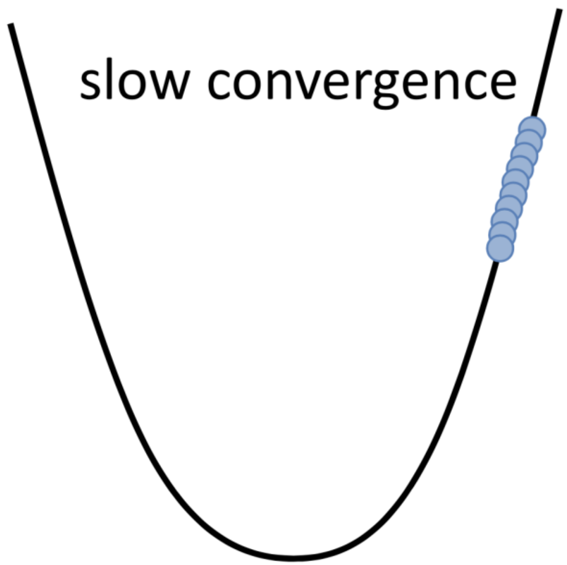
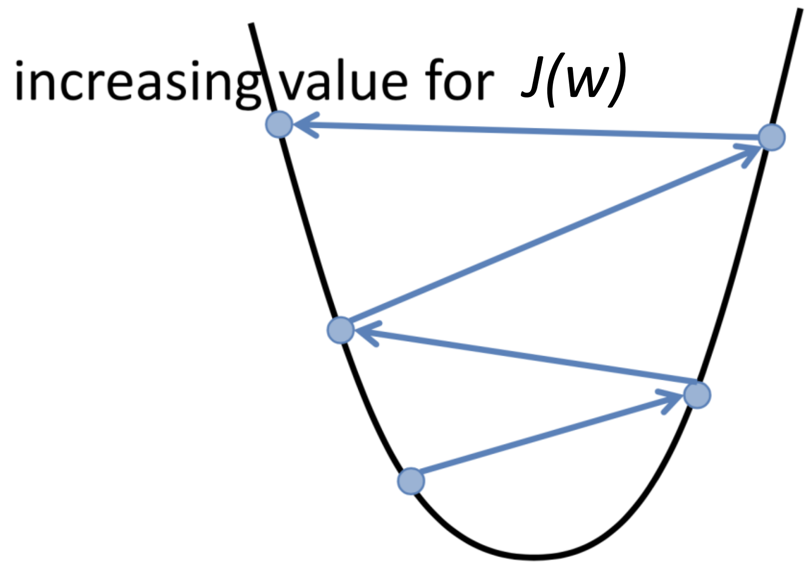


Choosing the step size alpha

α too small



α too large



- may overshoot minimum
- may fail to converge (may even diverge)

Slide: modified from Jessica Wu
Based on slide by Eric Eaton
[Originally by Andrew Ng]

Pros and Cons

Gradient Descent

- requires multiple iterations
- need to choose α
- works well when p is large
- can support online learning

(Analytic Solution)

Normal Equations

- non-iterative
- no need for α
- slow if p is large
  - matrix inversion is $O(p^3)$

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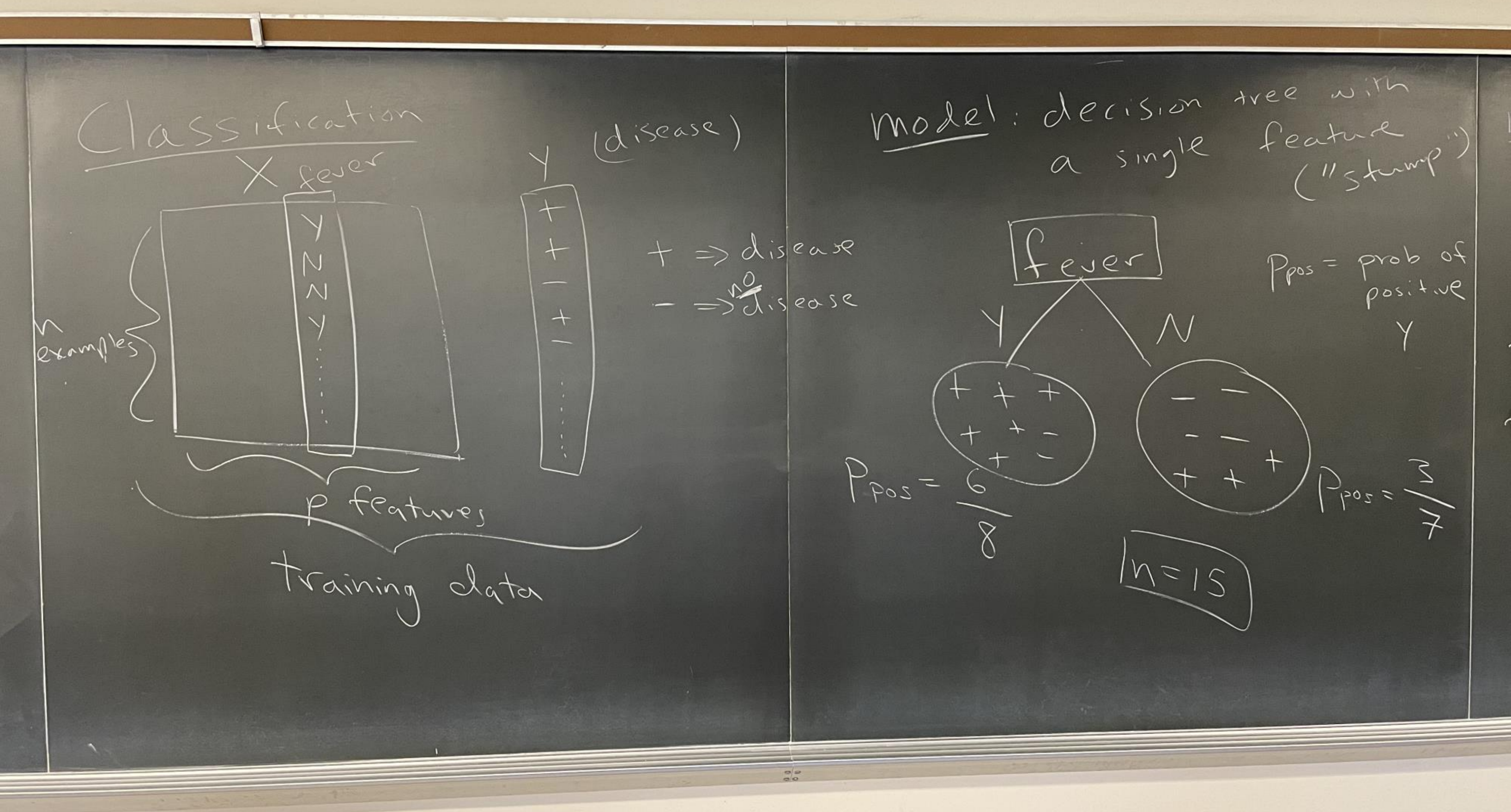
Binary classification examples

- Transactions that indicate credit card fraud
- Accounts that are bots
- Detecting which scans show tumors
- Prenatal test for Down's Syndrome
- Finding genes under natural selection
- Finding regions of the genome with high recombination rate ("hotspots")

In all these examples, we are trying to find unusual items ("needle in a haystack") -- we call these *positives*

Introduction to Classification



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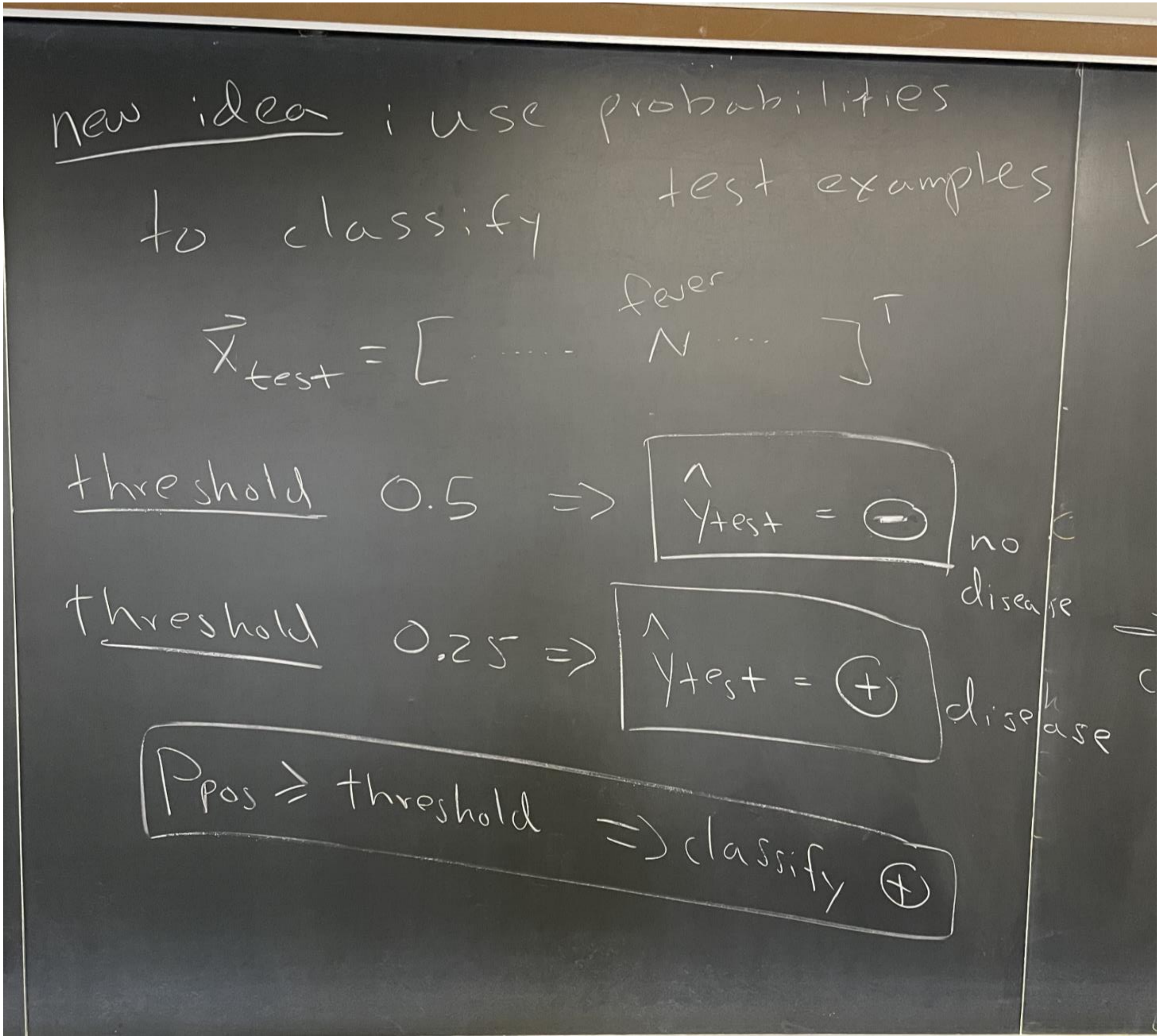

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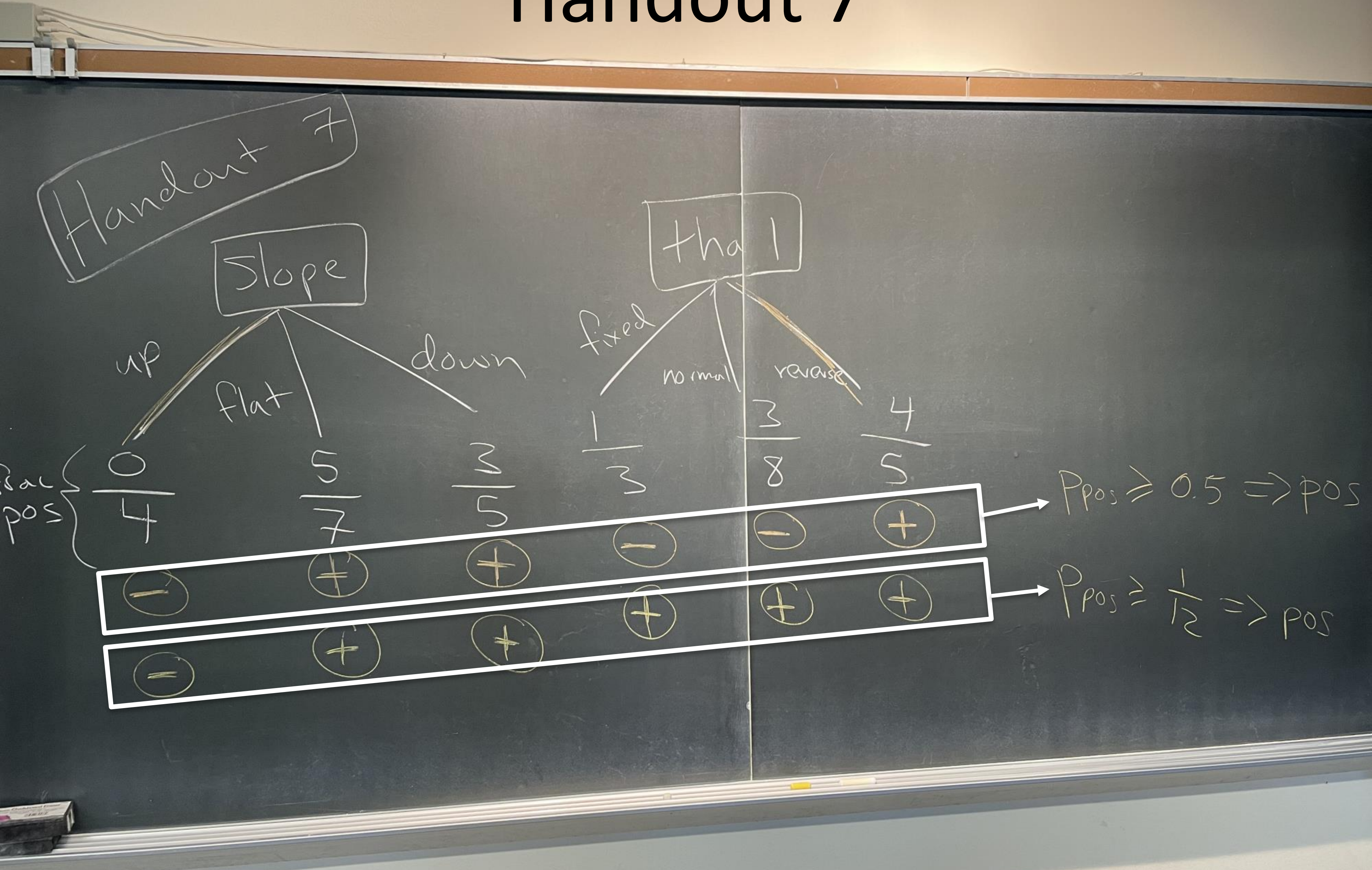
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Slope
up
flat
down
thal
fixed
normal
reverse
Ppos ≥ 0.5 => pos
Ppos ≥ 1/2 => pos

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Goals of Evaluation

- Think about what metrics are important for the problem at hand
- Compare different methods or models on the same problem
- Common set of tools that other researchers/users can understand

Training and Testing
(high-level idea)

- **Separate** data into "**train**" and "**test**"
  - n = num training examples
  - m = num testing examples
- **Fit** (create) the model using **training data**
  - e.g. sea_ice_1979-2012.csv
- **Evaluate** the model using **testing data**
  - e.g. sea_ice_2013-2020.csv

$\frac{65+13}{100} = 78\%$

		pred	
		−	+
truth	−	65	15
	+	7	13

thresh $= 0.5$

accuracy $= \frac{\#\text{correct}}{m}$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} \mathbb{1}(\hat{y}_i == y_i)}$$

test data

$m = 100$

50	30
1	19

thresh 0.25

acc = 69%

80 negatives

20 positives

76	4
11	9

thresh 0.75

Note: all the same model, different thresholds!

Confusion Matrices

		Predicted class	
		Negative	Positive
True class	Negative	True negative (TN)	False positive (FP)
	Positive	False negative (FN)	True positive (TP)

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