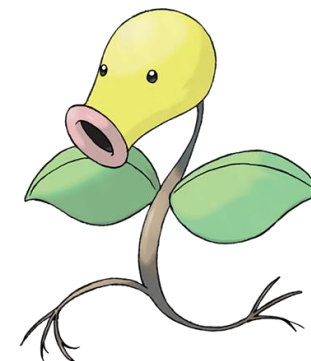


Predicting the Spawn of Pokémon in Pokémon GO

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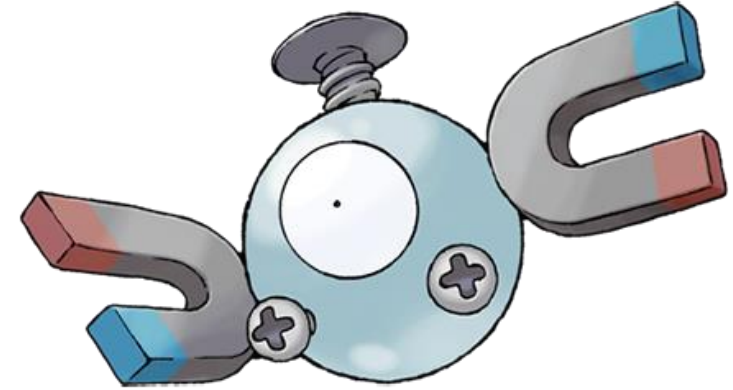
Pokémon GO

- Mobile game for iOS and Android
- 150 Pokémon to catch to date
- GPS oriented



Our Tools

- Vowpal Wabbit
 - Train/Test Data
- Python
 - Parse CSV into VW
 - JSON

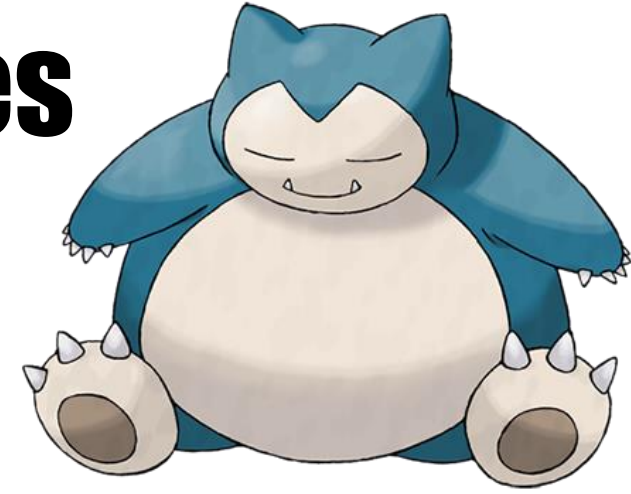


Our Dataset



pokemonId	latitude	longitude	appeared	_id	cellId_90	cellId_180	cellId_370	cellId_730	cellId_146	cellId_292	cellId_585	appeared	appeared	appeared	appeared	appeared	appeared	terrainType	close	
16	20.52575	-97.4608	2016-09-08	NTgxMDk	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	night	5	57	dummy_d	8	8	2016	14	F
133	20.5237	-97.4612	2016-09-08	OTQ1NDg	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	9.65E+18	night	5	57	dummy_d	8	8	2016	14	F
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13	47.6659	-122.313	2016-09-08	NTU2MTU	6.09E+18	6.09E+18	6.09E+18	6.09E+18	6.09E+18	6.09E+18	6.09E+18	night	5	56	dummy_d	8	8	2016	0	T
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Our Dataset: Classes and Features



- Pokémon ID's from 1 – 150
- Include:
 - ["latitude", "longitude", "appearedHour", "appearedMinute", "terrainType", "closeToWater", "city", "weather", "temperature", "windSpeed", "windBearing", "pressure", "weatherIcon", "urban", "suburban", "midurban", "rural", "cooc_1" - "cooc_151"]
- Ignore:
 - ["_id", "appearedLocalTime", "pokestopDistanceKm", "gymDistanceKm", "class"]

Our Dataset: The Data



- 296,022 Data Points
 - 52,114 Pidgey
 - 39,637 Rattata
 - 27,367 Weedle
 - Total 40.24% of the data
- Obvious skewing



Testing our Data

- 4 Tests:
 - 23 Classes with 3000 data points each
 - 27 Classes with 2000 data points each
 - 45 Classes with 1000 data points each
 - 150 Classes with up to 5000 Data points each
- Training/Test data randomized from single VW file



Testing our Data

- Training Script:
 - 50 Passes
 - 0.2 Learning Rate
 - ooa of either 23, 27, 45, or 150
 - Logistic Loss Function
- 6 Training Sizes:
 - 90%, 85%, 80%, 75%, 70%, 65%
- 5 Runs Per Training Size

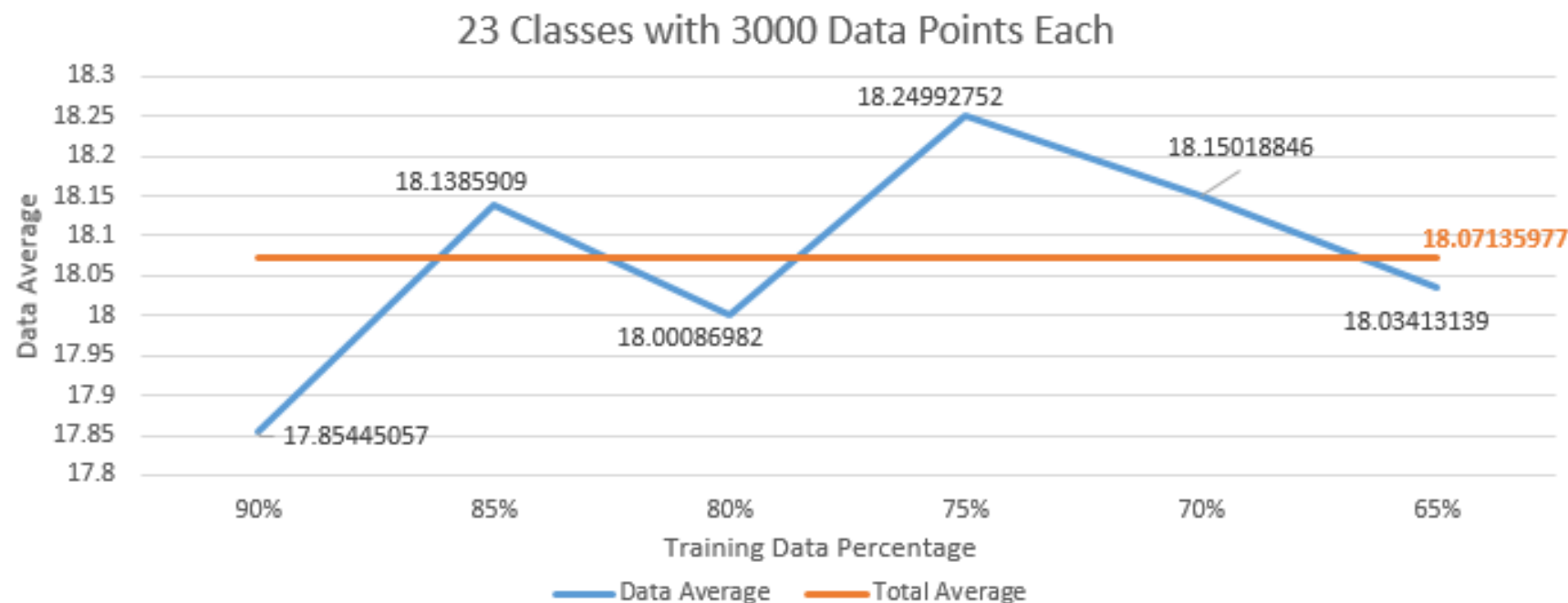


Test 1: Limiting to Classes with >3000 Points

- 23 Classes
- 3000 Instances of each class
 - Baseline of 4.348%



- 18.071% Accuracy

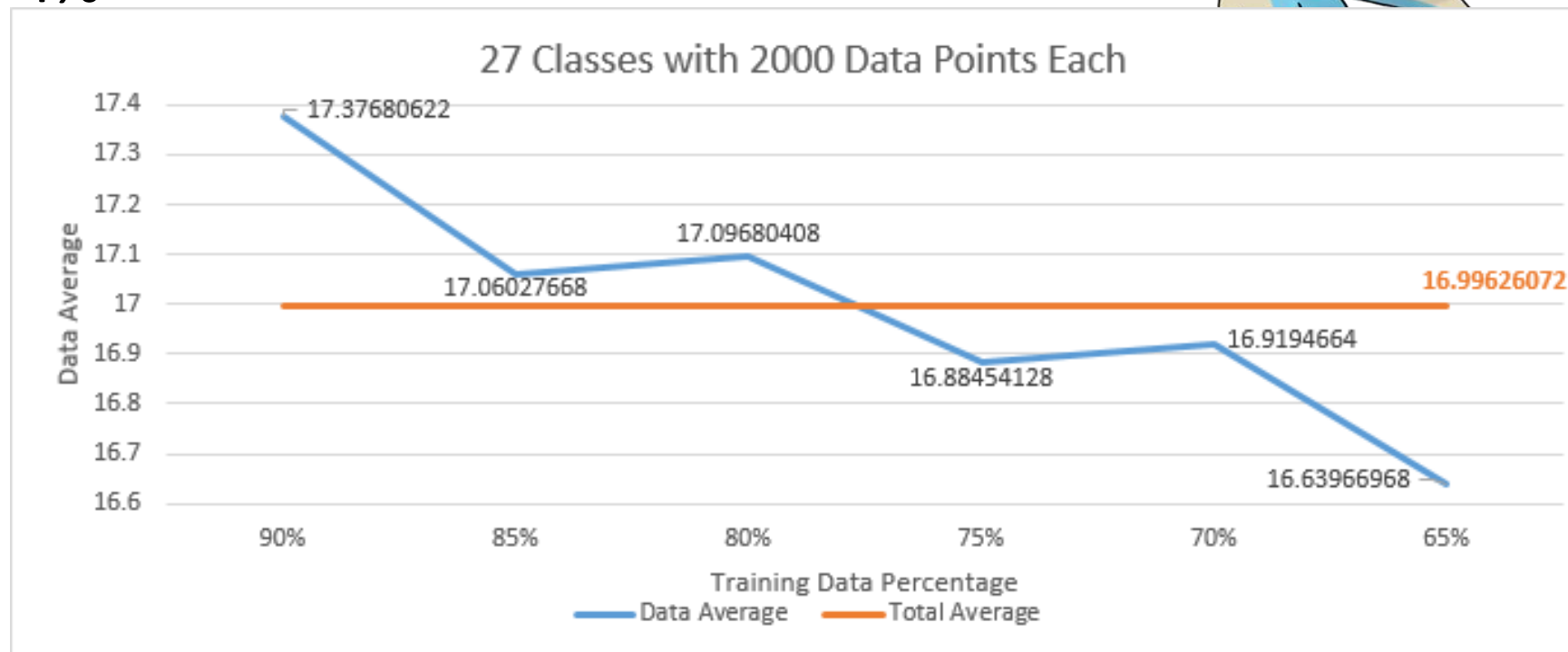


Test 2: Limiting to Classes with >2000 Points

- 27 Classes
- 2000 Instances of each class
 - Baseline of 3.074%



- 16.996% Accuracy

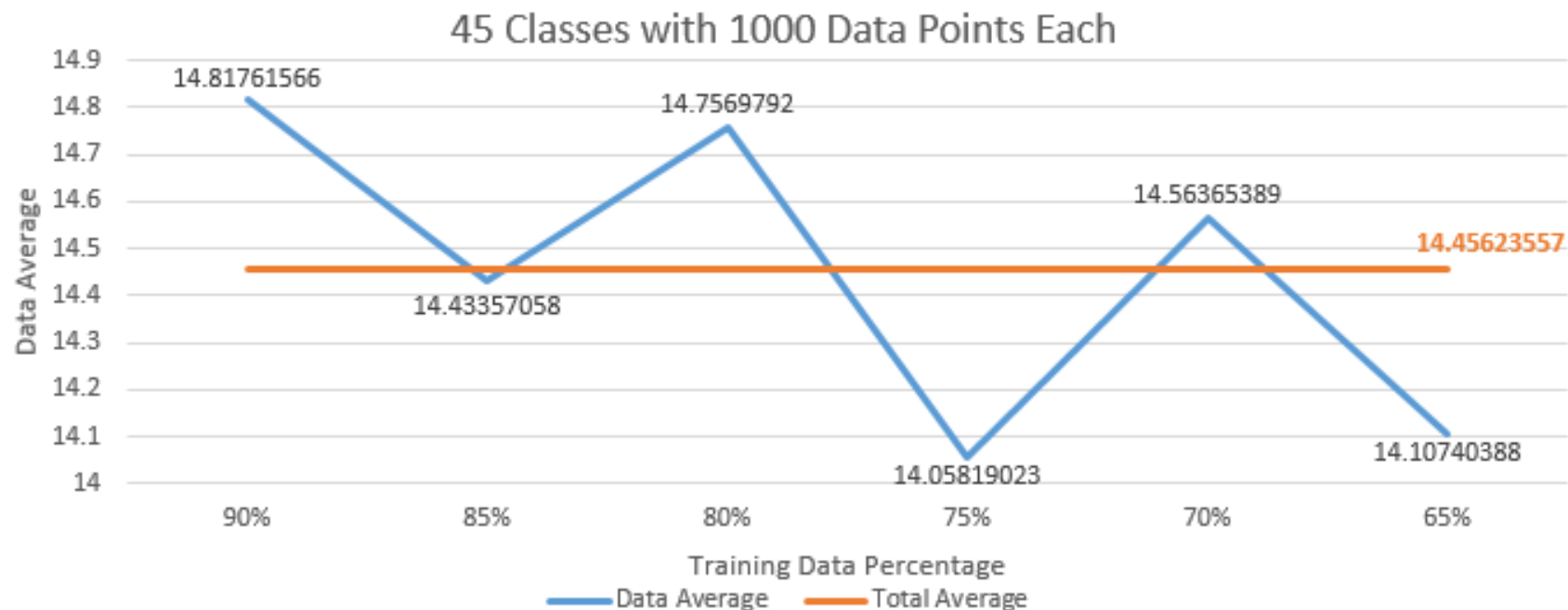


Test 3: Limiting to Classes with >1000 Points

- 45 Classes
- 1000 Instances of each class
 - Baseline of 2.222%



- 14.456% Accuracy

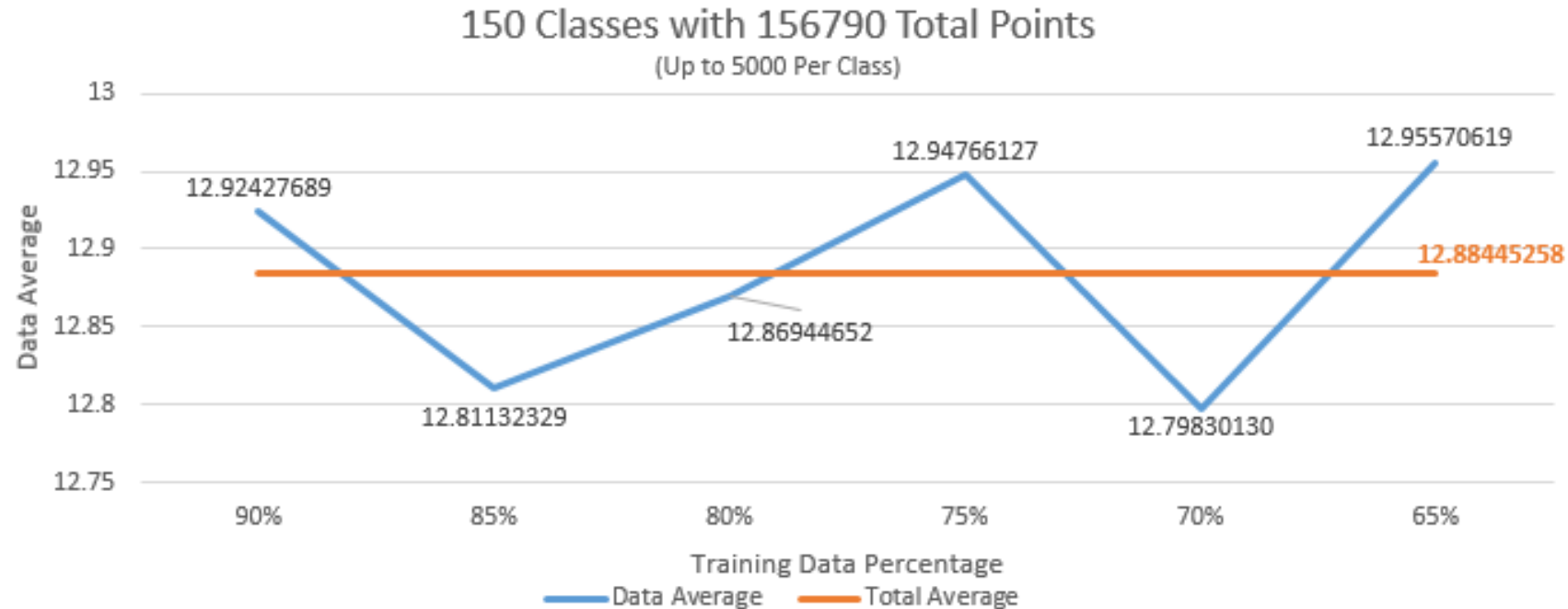


Test 4: All Classes with up to 5000 Points

- 150 Classes
- Up to 5000 Instances of each class, 156,790 total points
 - Baseline of 3.190%

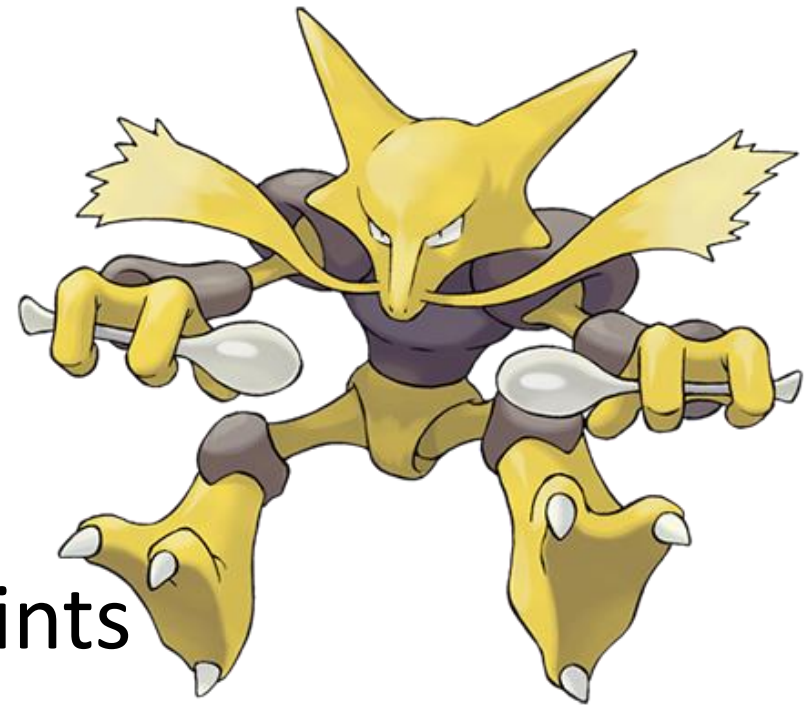


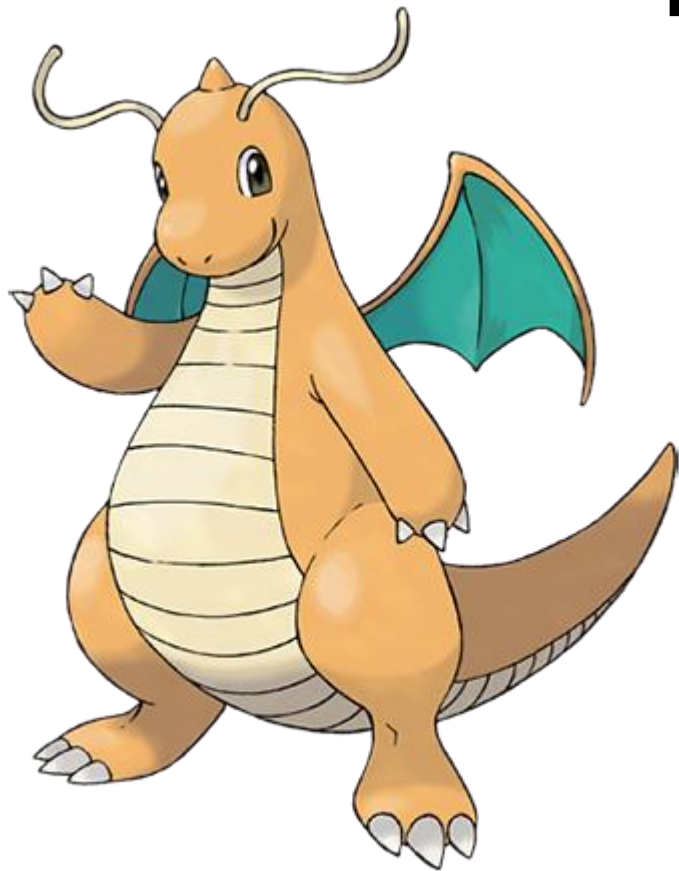
- 12.884% Accuracy



Future Work and Conclusion

- Determine Best/Worst features
 - Raise accuracy of classification
 - Run more tests with different data points
 - Gain more data for lacking Pokémon
 - Run same tests with various loss functions
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- Overall, we gained between 9% and 14% increases in accuracy between the baseline and our results





Thank you!
Any Questions?



Images from Pokemon.com

- <http://assets22.pokemon.com/assets/cms2/img/pokedex/full/001.png>
 - 001 changed to the corresponding Pokémon ID to get images.