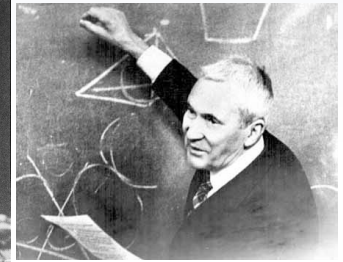
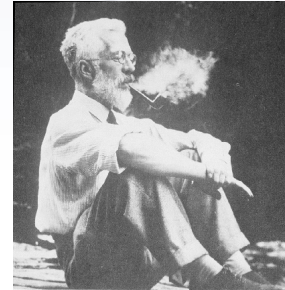
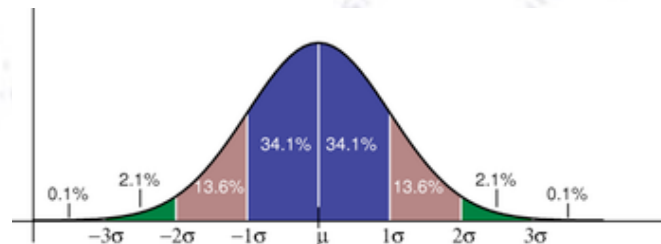


Machine Learning

Introduction to MultiVariate Analysis



Troels C. Petersen (NBI)



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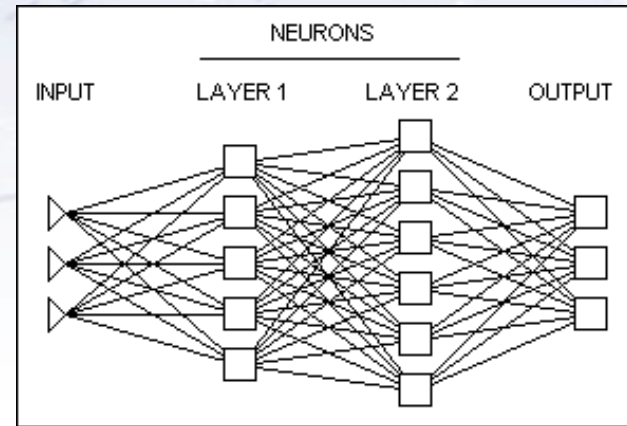
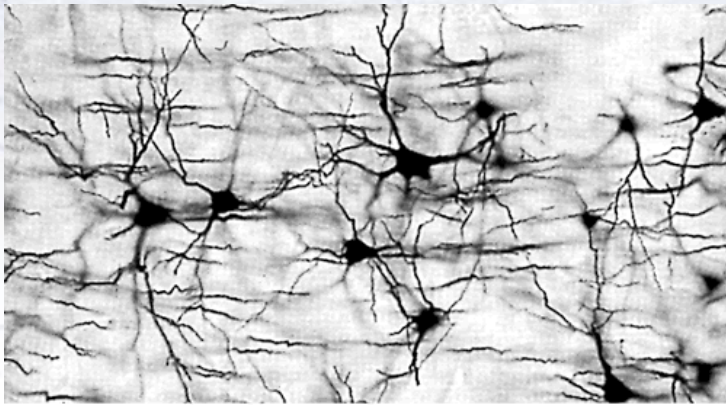
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Seeing patterns in data and using it!

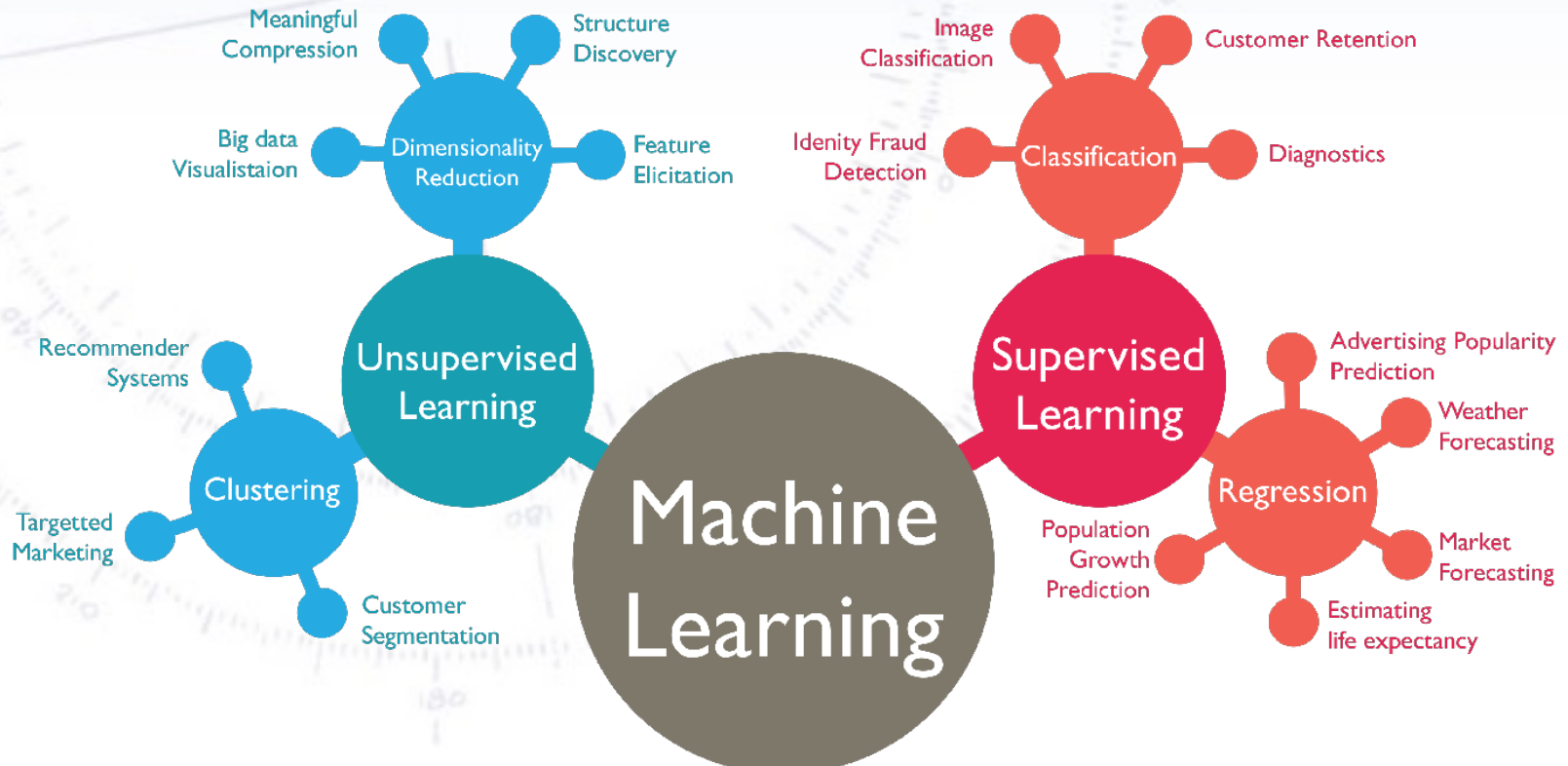


*Data mining is the process of extracting patterns from data. As more data are gathered, with the amount of data doubling every three years, data mining is becoming an increasingly important tool to transform these data into information. It is commonly used in a wide range of profiling practices, such as marketing, surveillance, fraud detection and **scientific discovery**.*

[Wikipedia, Introduction to Data Mining]

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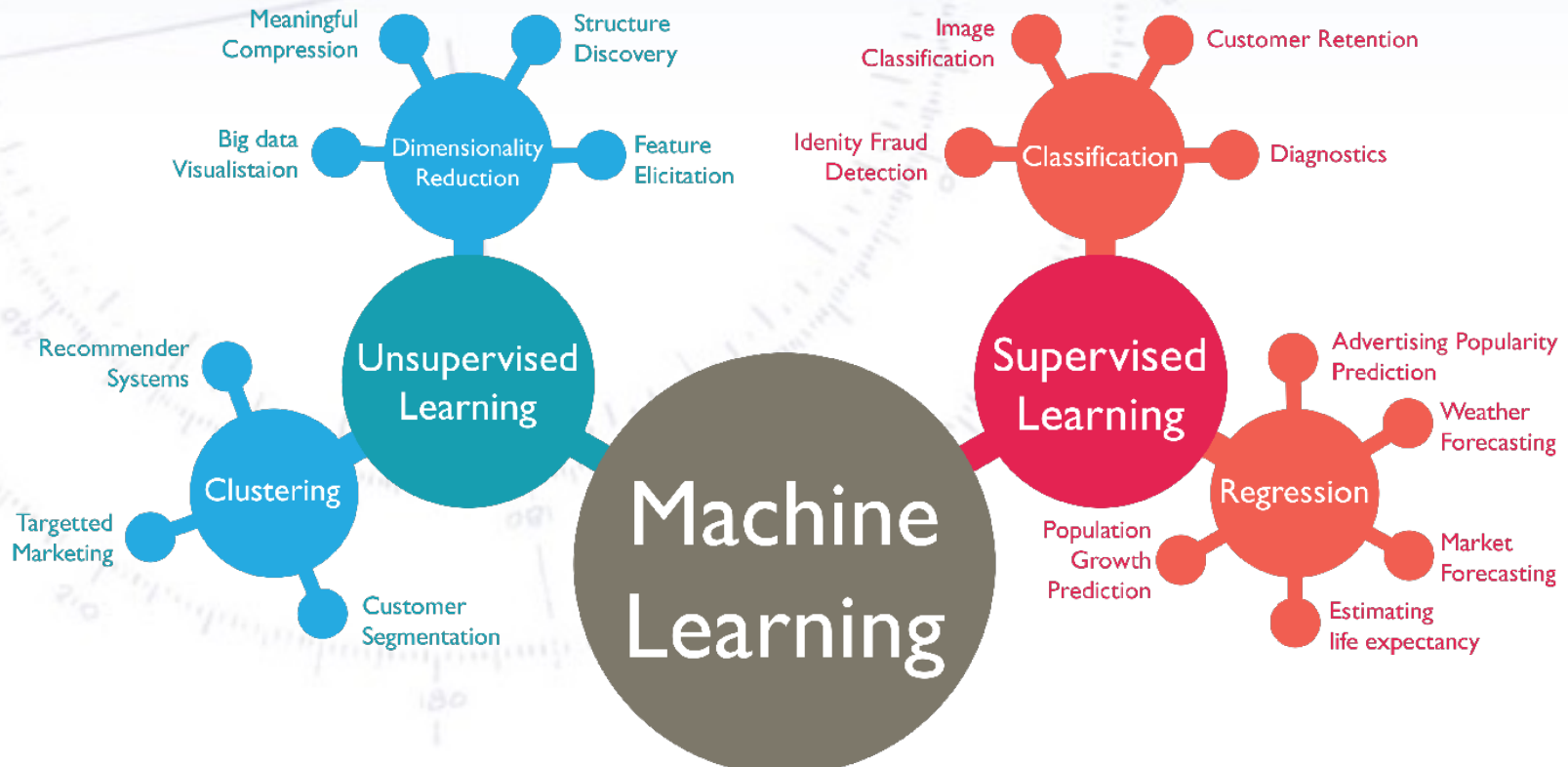
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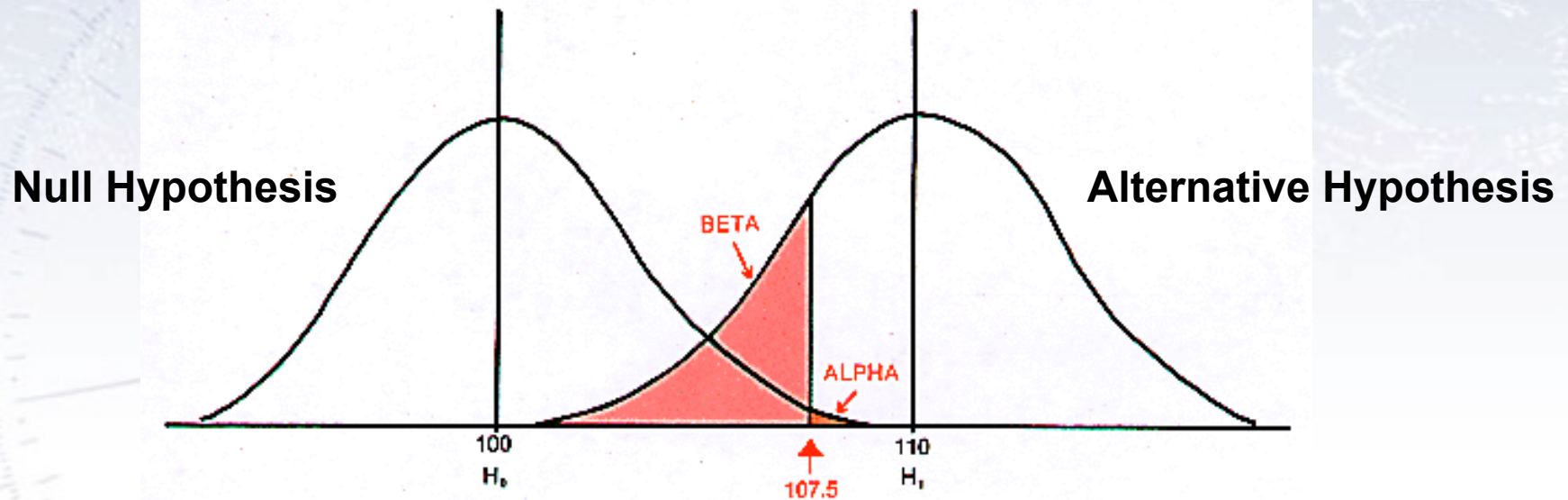
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We will be mostly on this side!



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Hypothesis testing

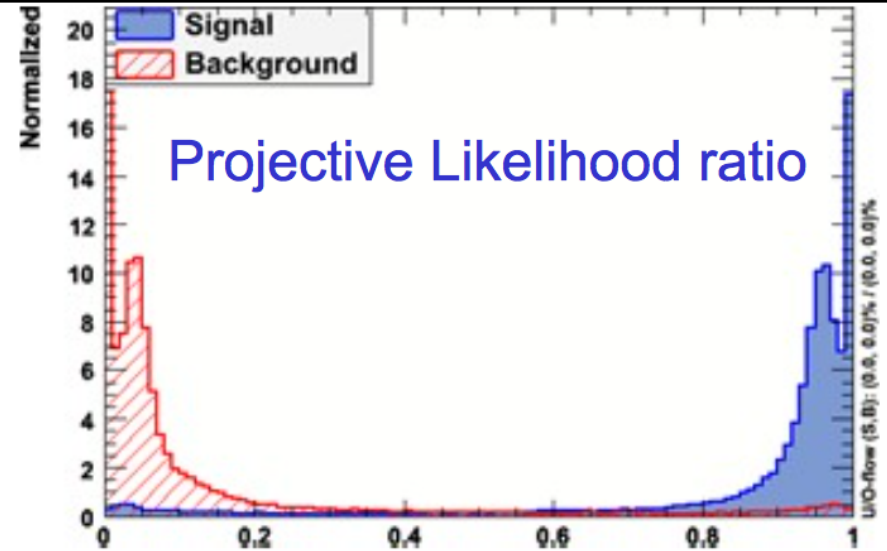
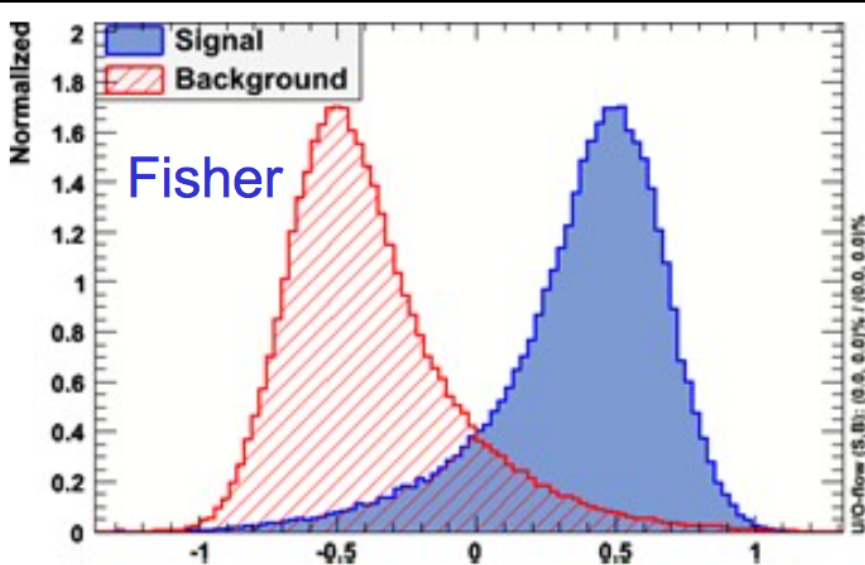
Hypothesis testing is like a criminal trial. The basic “null” hypothesis is **Innocent** (called H_0) and this is the hypothesis we want to test, compared to an “alternative” hypothesis, **Guilty** (called H_1).

Innocence is initially assumed, and this hypothesis is only rejected, if enough evidence proves otherwise, i.e. that the probability of innocence is very small (“beyond reasonable doubt”).

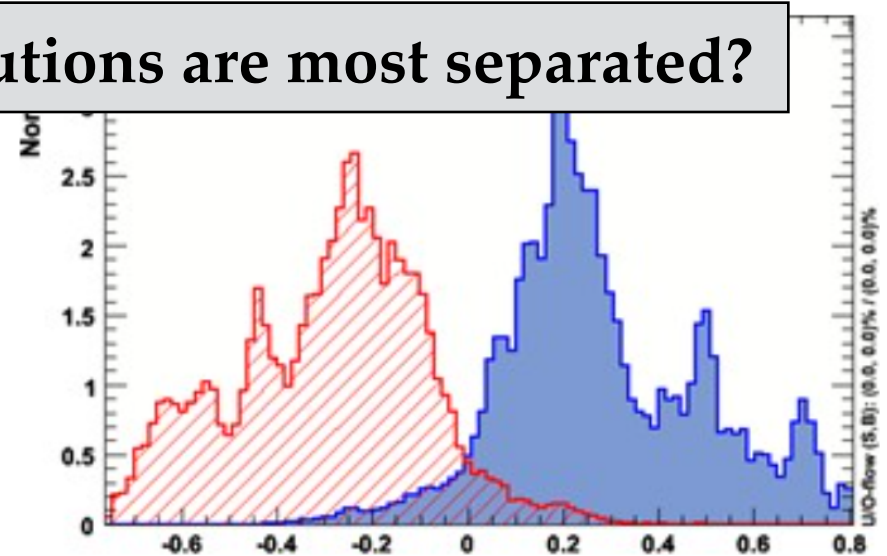
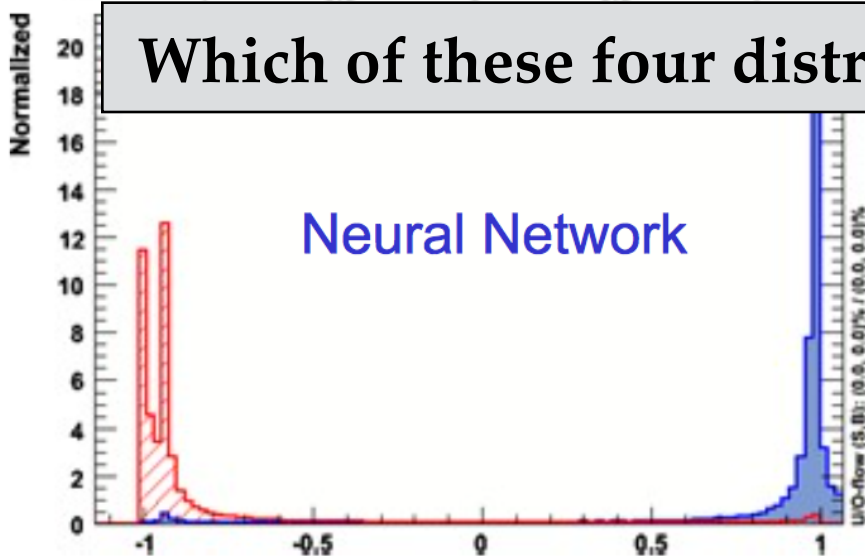
	Truly innocent (H_0 is true)	Truly guilty (H_1 is true)
Acquittal (Accept H_0)	Right decision	Wrong decision Type II error
Conviction (Reject H_0)	Wrong decision Type I error	Right decision

The rate of type I/II errors are correlated, and one can only choose one of these!

Measuring separation

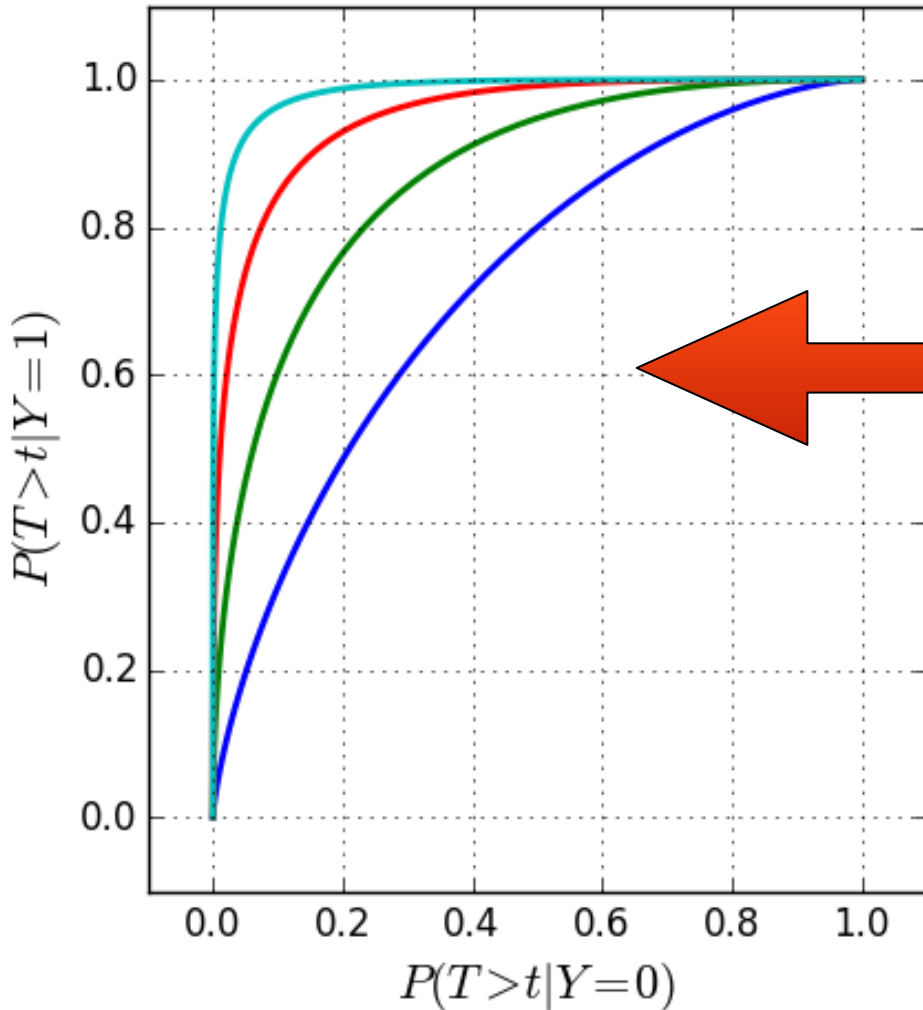


Which of these four distributions are most separated?

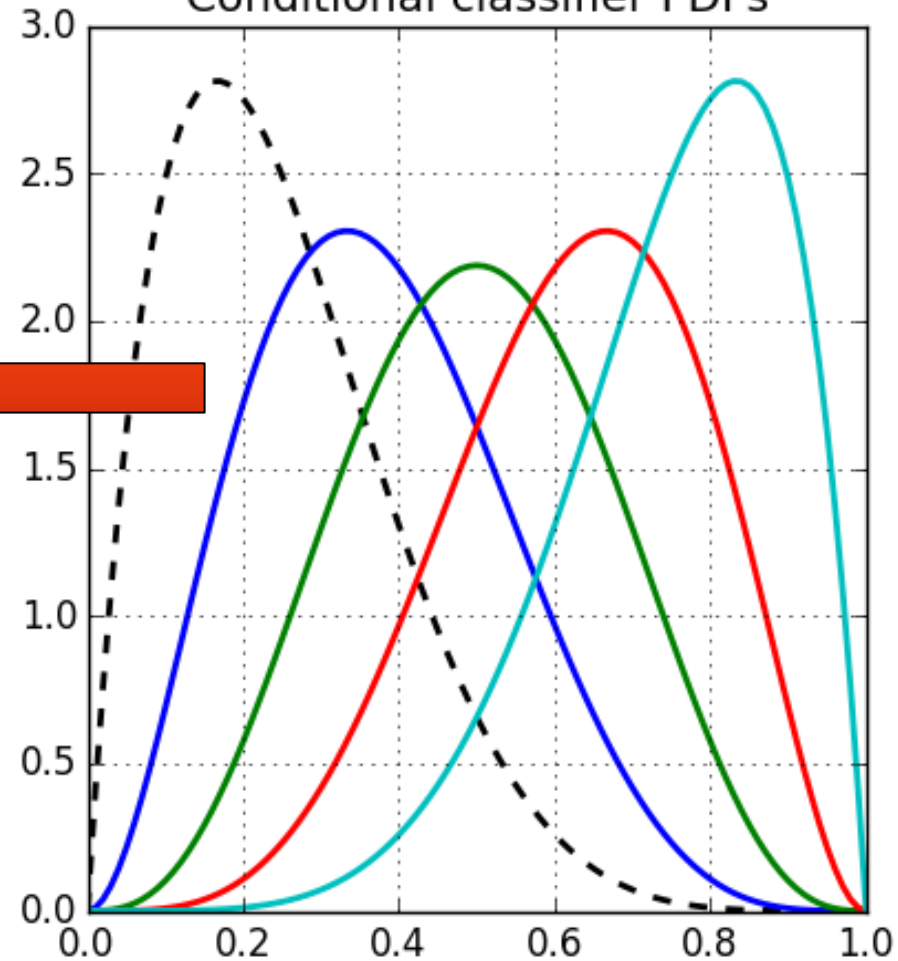


Simple case

ROC curves



Conditional classifier PDFs



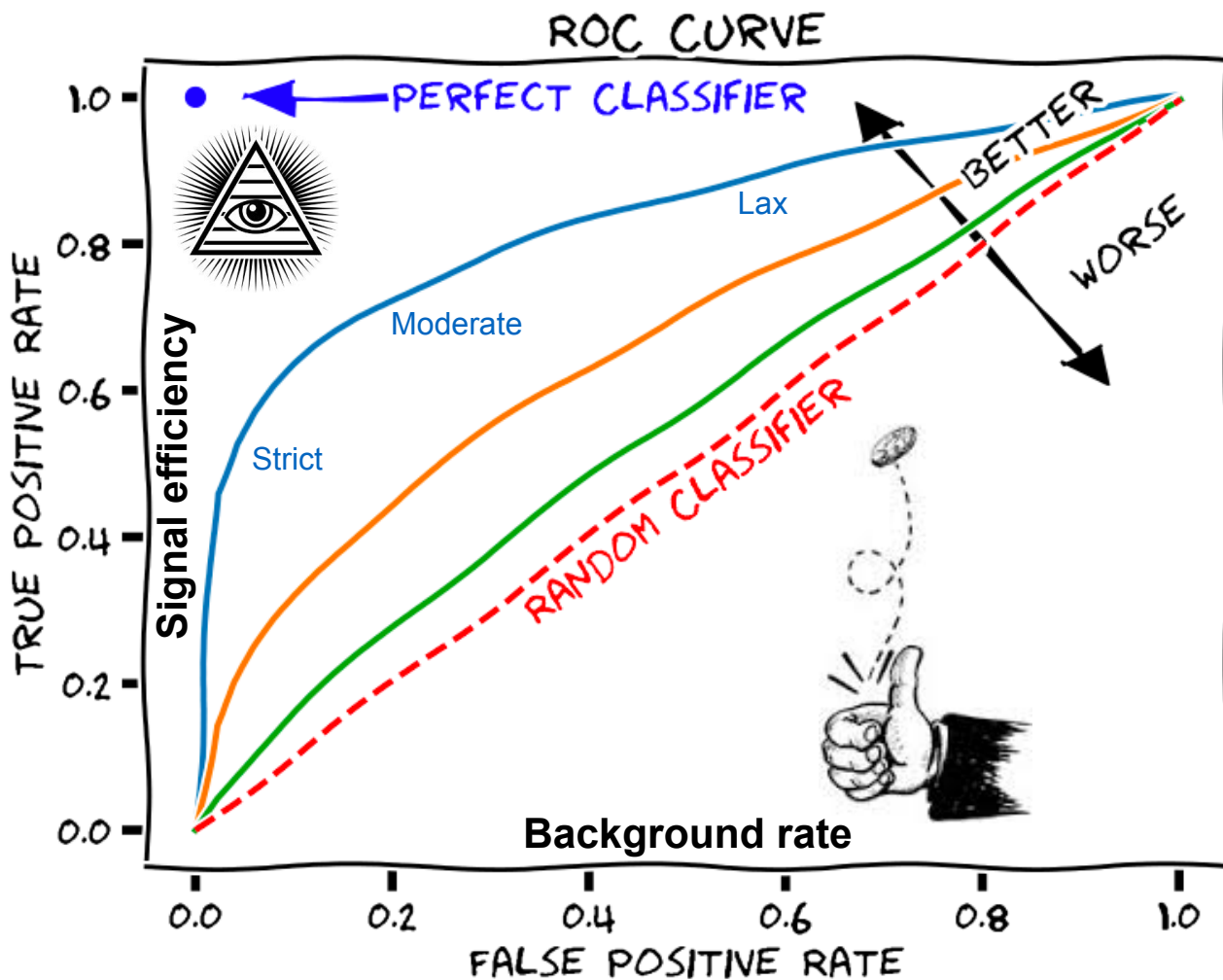
ROC curves

A **Receiver Operating Characteristic** or just ROC-curve is a graphical plot of the sensitivity, or true positive rate (TPR), vs. false positive rate (FPR).

It is calculated as the integral of the two hypothesis distributions, and is used to evaluate a test.

Given classification into two distributions, one may choose to make a strict or lax selection.

This choice depends on the case at hand.



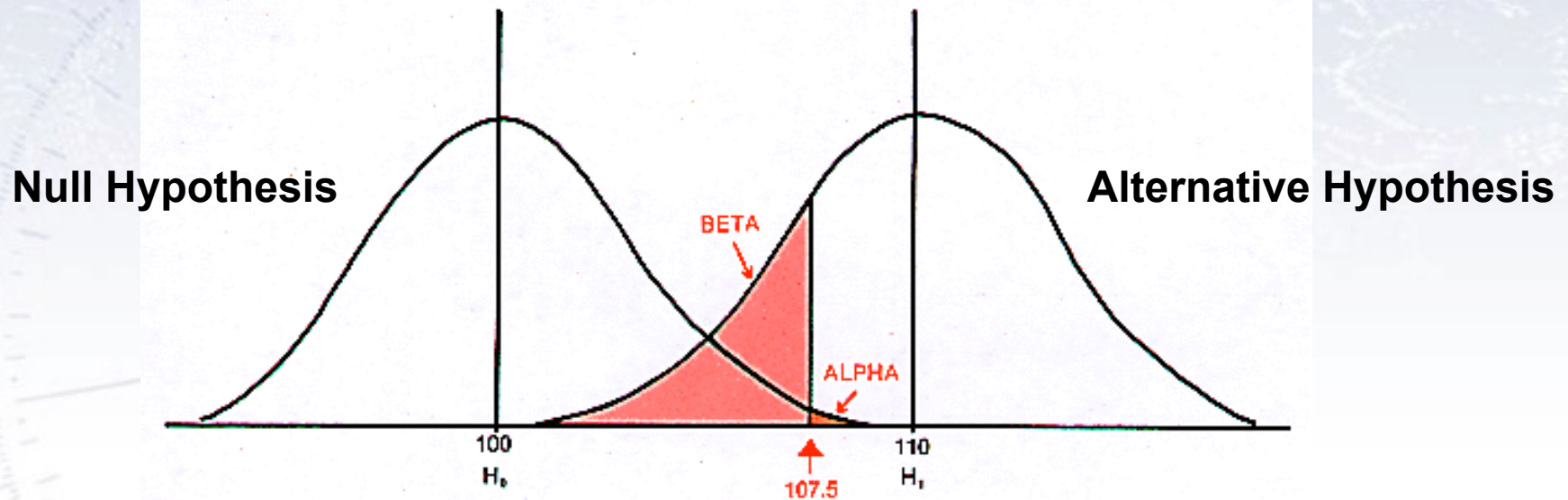
Which metric to use?

There are a ton of metrics in hypothesis testing, see below. However, those in the boxes below are the most central ones.

One metric - not mentioned here - is the Area Under the Curve (AUC), which is simply an integral of the ROC curve (thus 1 is perfect score). This is often used in Machine Learning to optimise performance (loss).

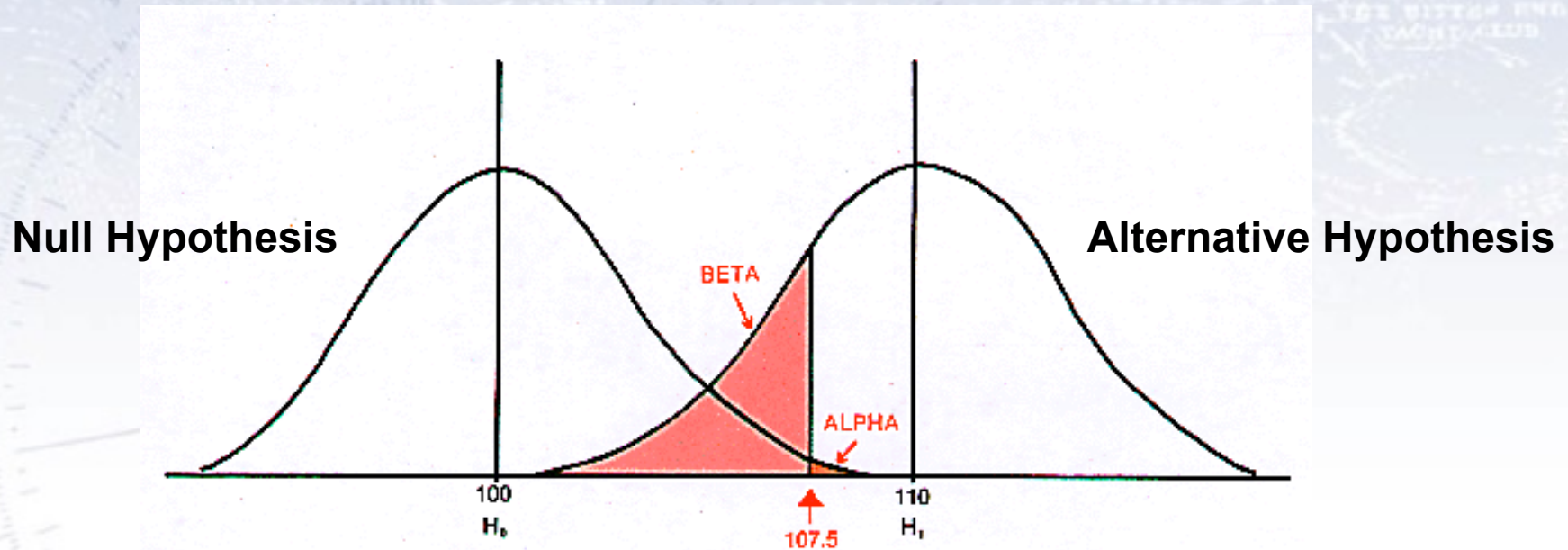
		True condition			
		Condition positive	Condition negative		
Total population				Prevalence = $\frac{\sum \text{Condition positive}}{\sum \text{Total population}}$	Accuracy (ACC) = $\frac{\sum \text{True positive} + \sum \text{True negative}}{\sum \text{Total population}}$
Predicted condition	Predicted condition positive	True positive	False positive, Type I error	Positive predictive value (PPV), Precision = $\frac{\sum \text{True positive}}{\sum \text{Predicted condition positive}}$	False discovery rate (FDR) = $\frac{\sum \text{False positive}}{\sum \text{Predicted condition positive}}$
	Predicted condition negative	False negative, Type II error	True negative	False omission rate (FOR) = $\frac{\sum \text{False negative}}{\sum \text{Predicted condition negative}}$	Negative predictive value (NPV) = $\frac{\sum \text{True negative}}{\sum \text{Predicted condition negative}}$
		True positive rate (TPR), Recall, Sensitivity, probability of detection, Power = $\frac{\sum \text{True positive}}{\sum \text{Condition positive}}$	False positive rate (FPR), Fall-out, probability of false alarm = $\frac{\sum \text{False positive}}{\sum \text{Condition negative}}$	Positive likelihood ratio (LR+) = $\frac{\text{TPR}}{\text{FPR}}$	Diagnostic odds ratio (DOR) = $\frac{\text{LR+}}{\text{LR-}}$
		False negative rate (FNR), Miss rate = $\frac{\sum \text{False negative}}{\sum \text{Condition positive}}$	Specificity (SPC), Selectivity, True negative rate (TNR) = $\frac{\sum \text{True negative}}{\sum \text{Condition negative}}$	Negative likelihood ratio (LR-) = $\frac{\text{FNR}}{\text{TNR}}$	
				F ₁ score = $2 \cdot \frac{\text{Precision} \cdot \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$	

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Machine Learning typically enables a better separation between hypothesis

DECISION:

Reject Null

α
Type I error

$1 - \beta$
Correct

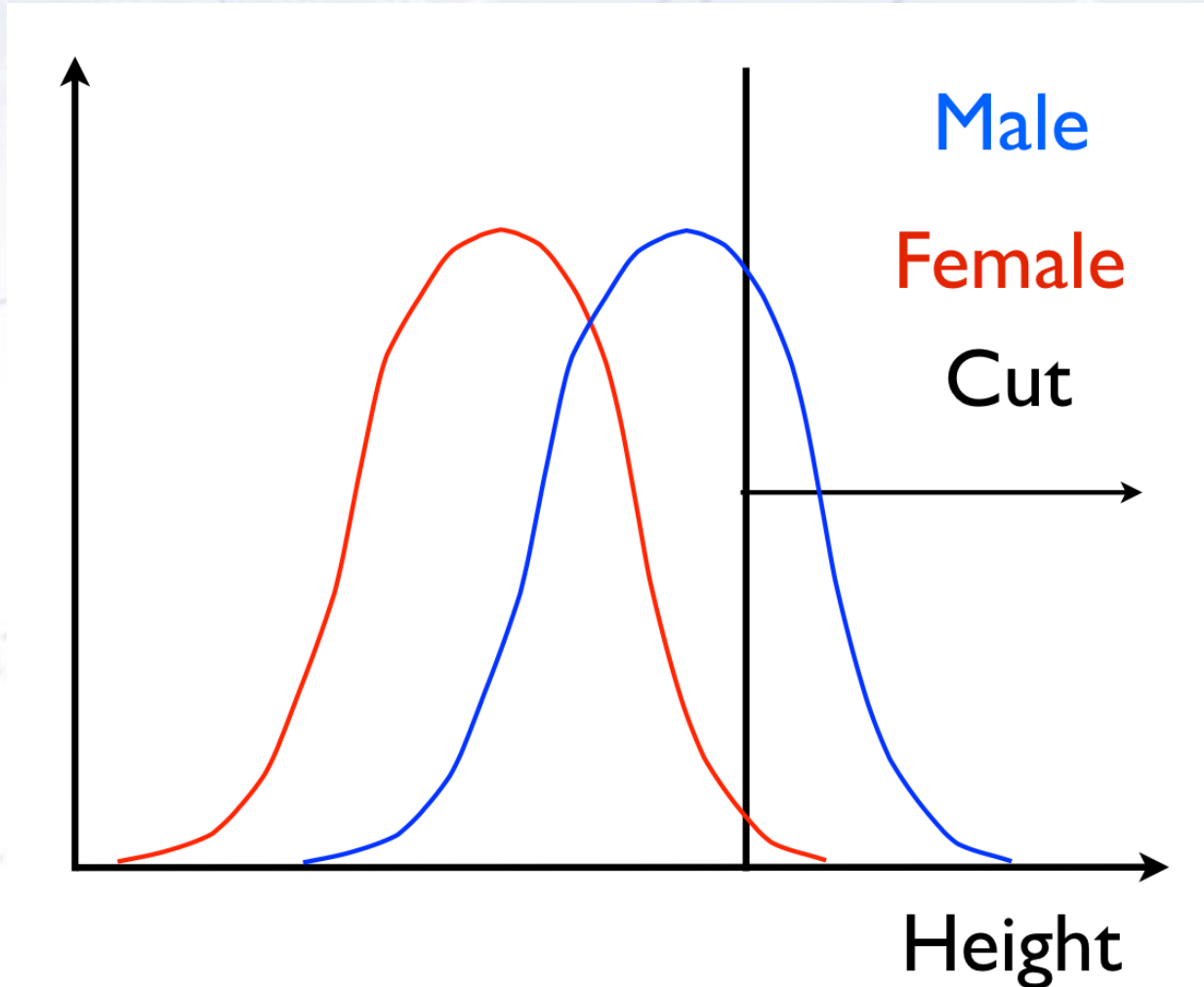


The linear case

Simple Example

Problem: You want to figure out a method for getting sample that is mostly male!

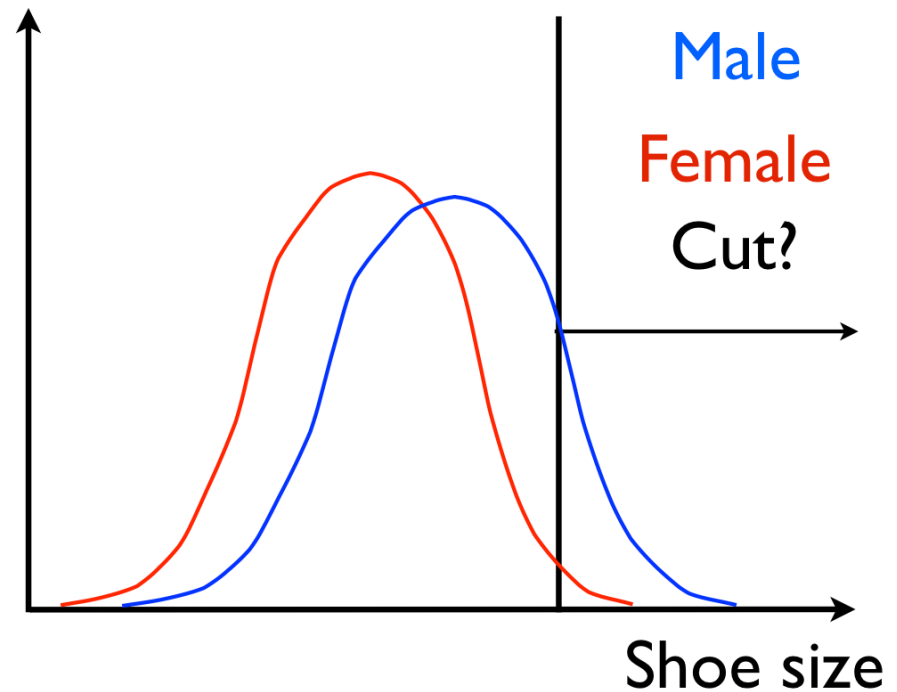
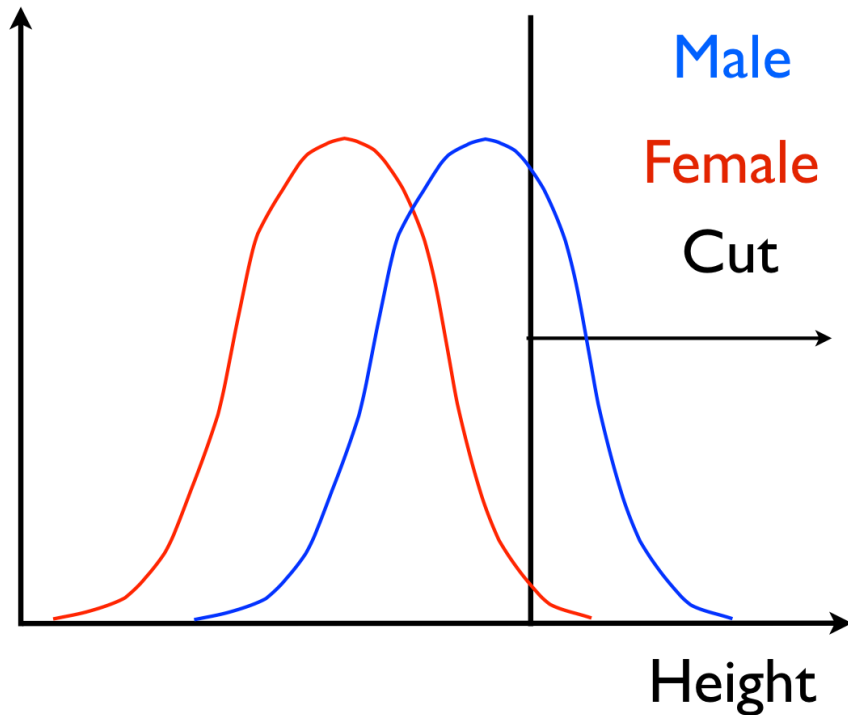
Solution: Gather height data from 10000 people, Estimate cut with 95% purity!



Simple Example

Additional data: The data you find also contains shoe size!

How to use this? Well, it is more information, but should you cut on it?



The question is, what is the best way to use this (possibly correlated) information!

Simple Example

So we look if the data is correlated, and consider the options:

Cut on each var?

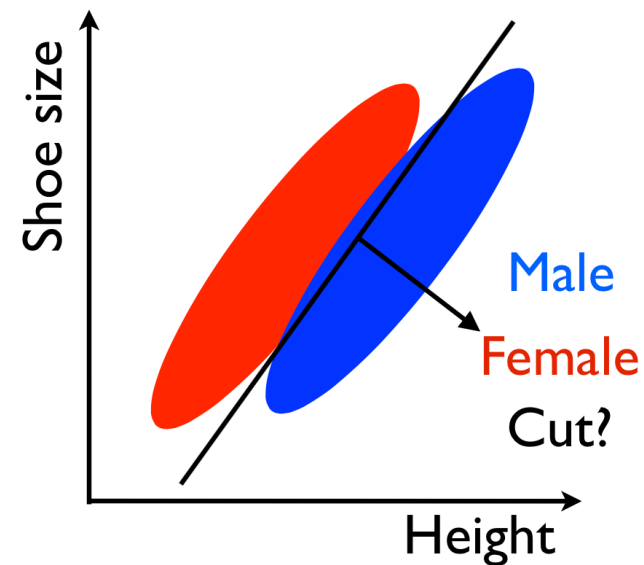
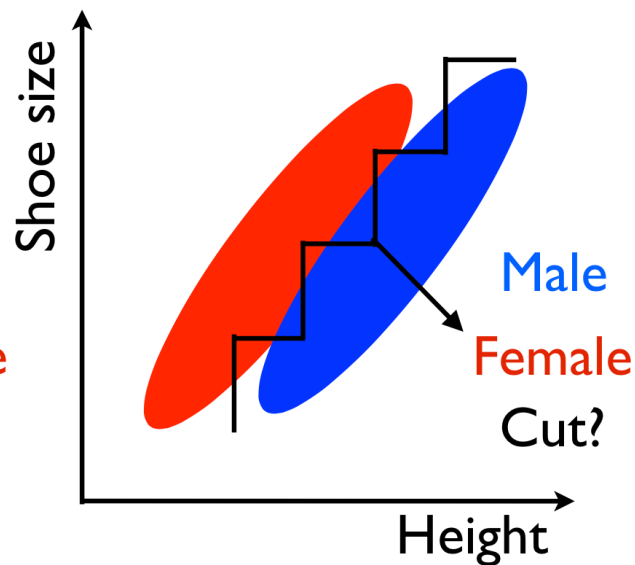
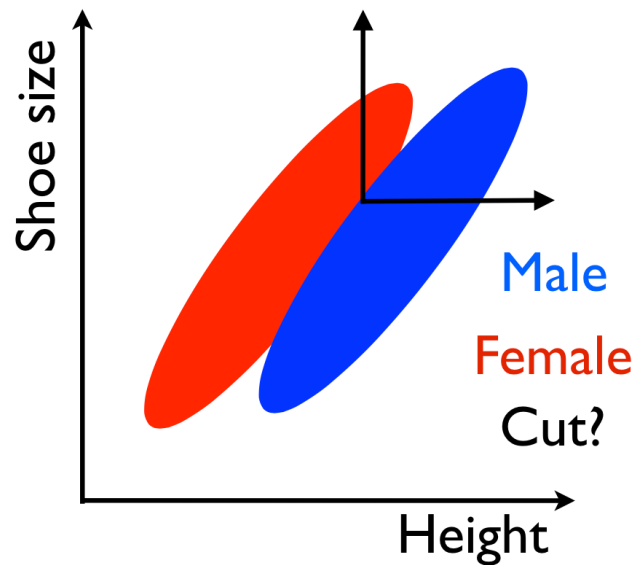
Poor efficiency!

Advanced cut?

**Clumsy and
hard to implement**

Combine var?

**Smart and
promising**



The latter approach is the Fisher discriminant!




It has the advantage of being simple and applicable in many dimensions easily!

Separating data

Fisher's friend, Anderson, came home from picking Irises in the Gaspé peninsula...

180 MULTIPLE MEASUREMENTS IN TAXONOMIC PROBLEMS

Table I

<i>Iris setosa</i>				<i>Iris versicolor</i>				<i>Iris virginica</i>			
Sepal length	Sepal width	Petal length	Petal width	Sepal length	Sepal width	Petal length	Petal width	Sepal length	Sepal width	Petal length	Petal width
5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	7.0	3.2	4.7	1.4	6.3	3.3	6.0	2.5
4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	5.8	2.7	5.1	1.9
4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	6.9	3.1	4.9	1.5	7.1	3.0	5.9	2.1
4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	5.5	2.3	4.0	1.3	6.3	2.9	5.6	1.8
											
5.8	4.0	1.2	0.2	5.6	2.9	3.6	1.3	5.8	2.8	5.1	2.4
5.7	4.4	1.5	0.4	6.7	3.1	4.4	1.4	6.4	3.2	5.3	2.3
5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	5.6	3.0	4.5	1.5	6.5	3.0	5.5	1.8
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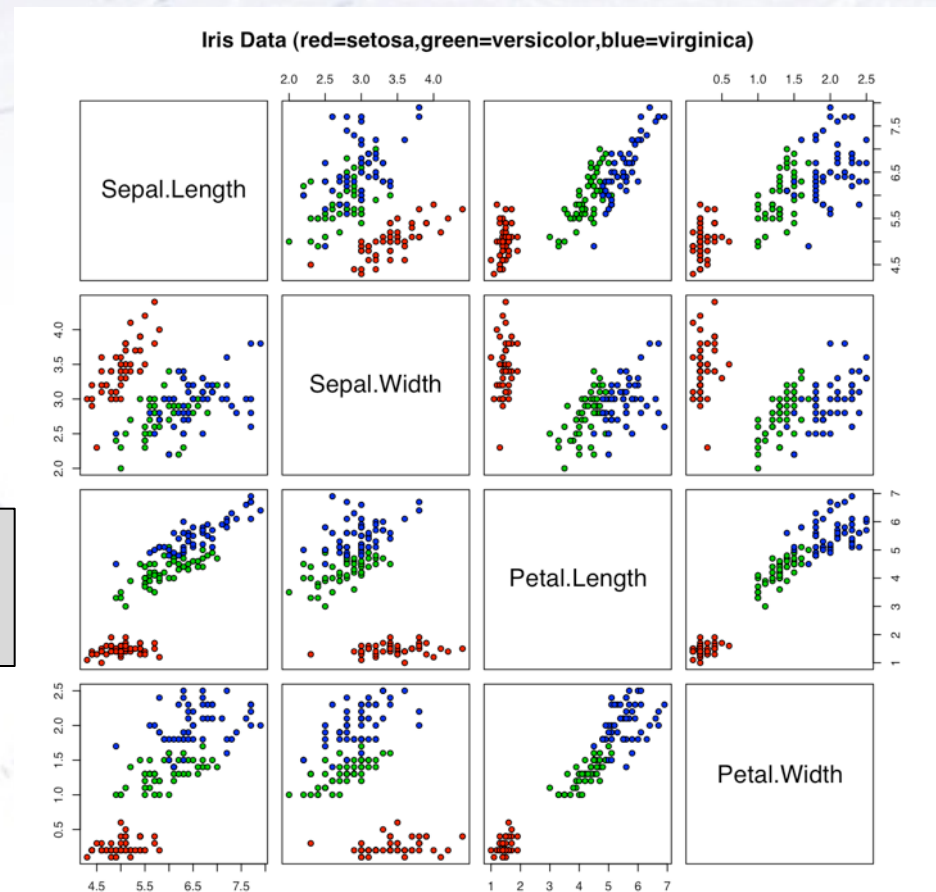
$$\mathcal{F} = w_0 + \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}$$

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$$X = \lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 x_2 + \lambda_3 x_3 + \lambda_4 x_4$$

will maximize the ratio of the difference between the specific means to the standard deviations within species? The observed means and their differences are shown in Table II.

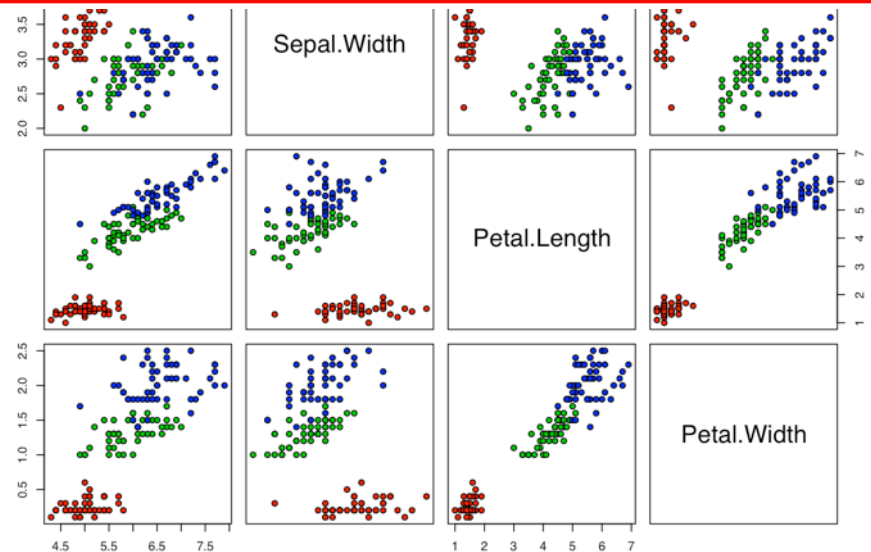
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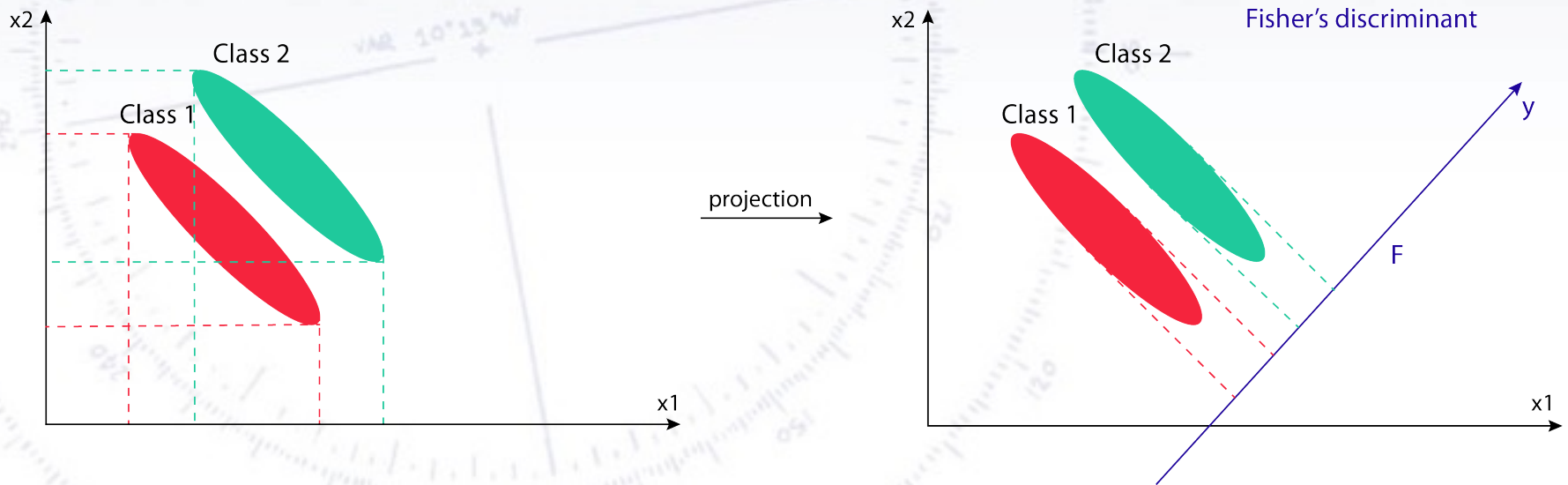
Iris Data (red=setosa,green=versicolor,blue=virginica)



Fisher's Linear Discriminant

Executive summary:

Fisher's Discriminant uses a linear combination of variables to give a single variable with the maximum possible separation (for linear combinations!).



It is for all practical purposes a projection (in a Euclidian space)!

Fisher's Linear Discriminant

The details of the formula are outlined below:

You have two samples, A and B, that you want to separate.

For each input variable (x), you calculate the mean (μ), and form a vector of these.

$$\vec{w} = (\Sigma_A + \Sigma_B)^{-1} (\vec{\mu}_A - \vec{\mu}_B)$$

Using the input variables (x), you calculate the covariance matrix (Σ) for each species (A/B), add these and invert.

Given weights (w), you take your input variables (x) and combine them linearly as follows:

$$\mathcal{F} = w_0 + \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}$$

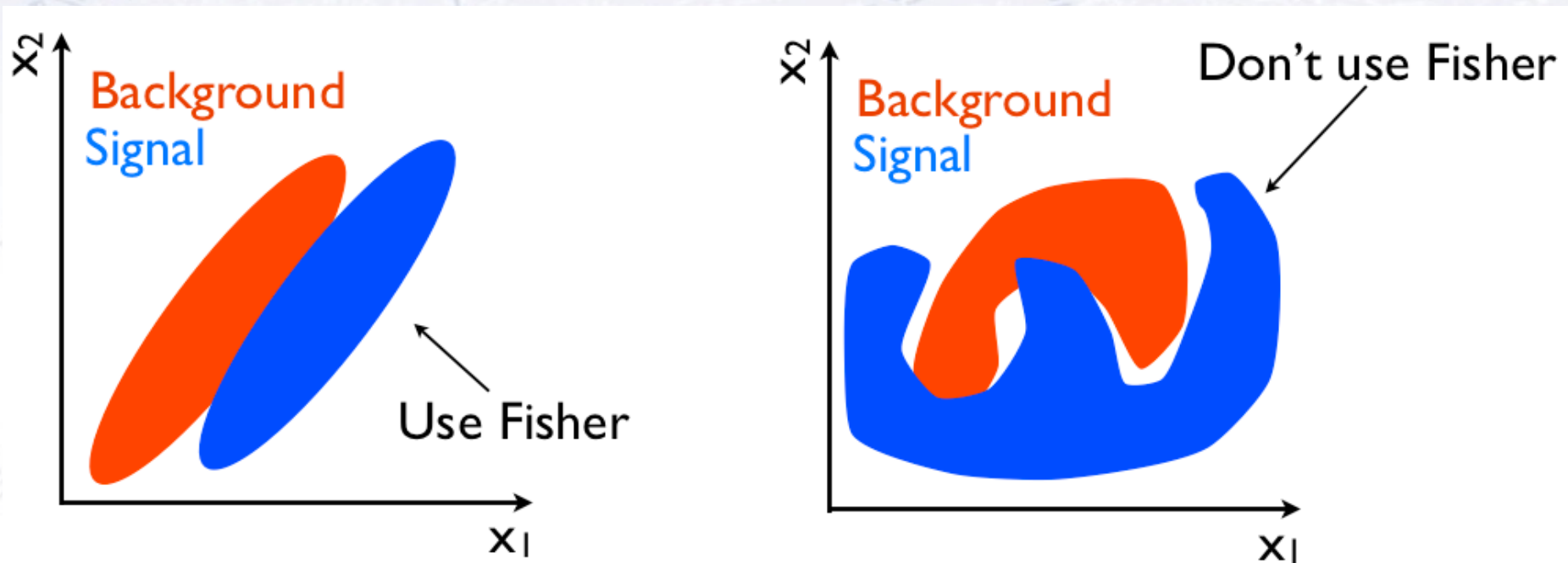
F is what you base your decision on.



The non-linear case

Non-linear cases

While the Fisher Discriminant uses all separations and **linear correlations**, it does not perform optimally, when there are **non-linear correlations** present:



If the PDFs of signal and background are known, then one can use a likelihood. But this is **very rarely** the case, and hence one should move on to the Fisher. However, if correlations are non-linear, more “tough” methods are needed...

Neural Networks

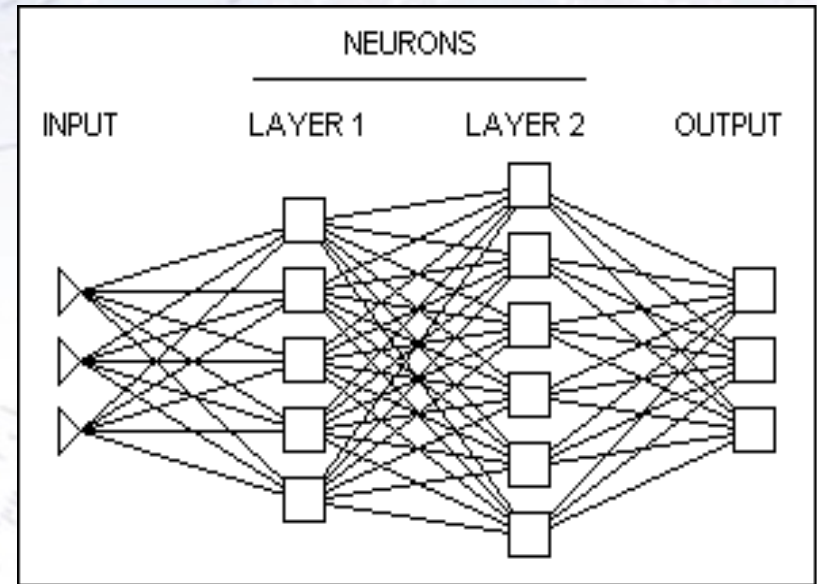
Can become very complex.

Good for continuous problems.

Sometimes hard to train!

Can be used for images.

Easily produces multiple outputs.



(Boosted) Decision Trees

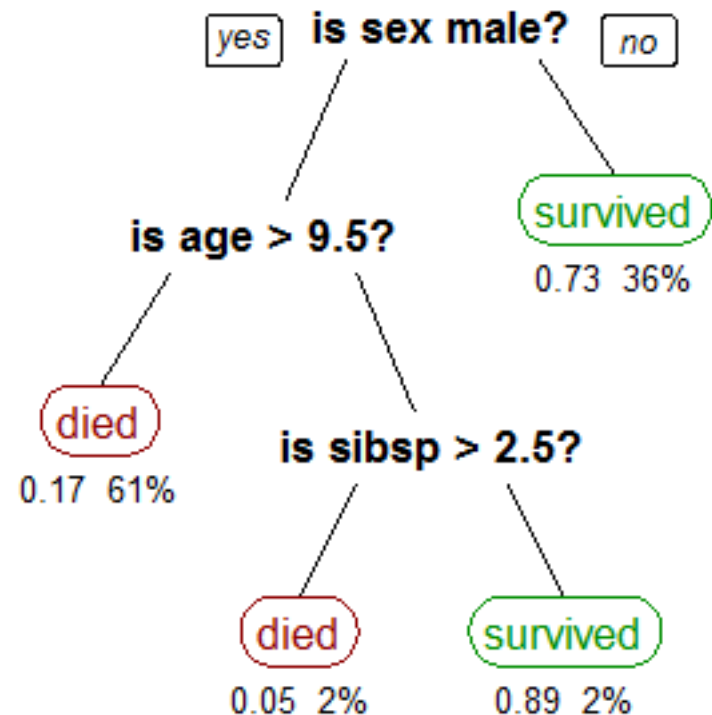
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Good for discrete problems.

“Good for all problems!!!”

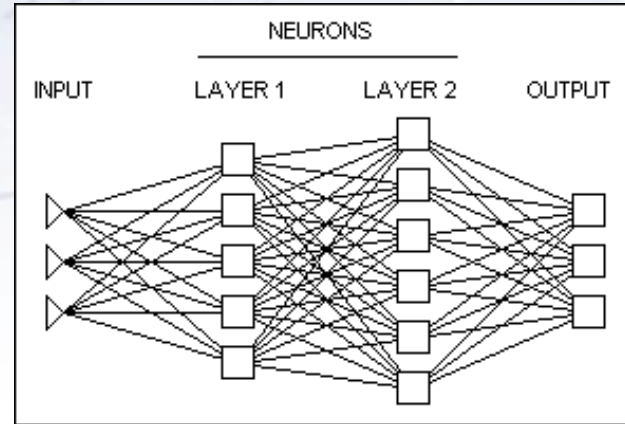
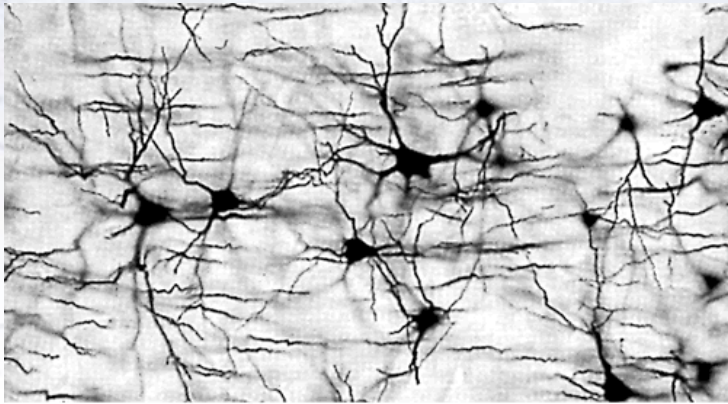
Not always highest efficiency.

Boosting adds to separation.



* The example BDT shown is a simple example for predicting survival of Titanic!

Neural Networks (NN)



*In machine learning and related fields, artificial neural networks (ANNs) are computational models inspired by an animal's central nervous systems (in particular the brain) which is capable of **machine learning** as well as **pattern recognition**.*

*Neural networks have been used to solve a wide variety of tasks that are hard to solve using ordinary rule-based programming, including **computer vision** and **speech recognition**.*

[Wikipedia, Introduction to Artificial Neural Network]

Neural Networks

Neural Networks combine the input variables using a “activation” function $s(x)$ to assign, if the variable indicates signal or background.

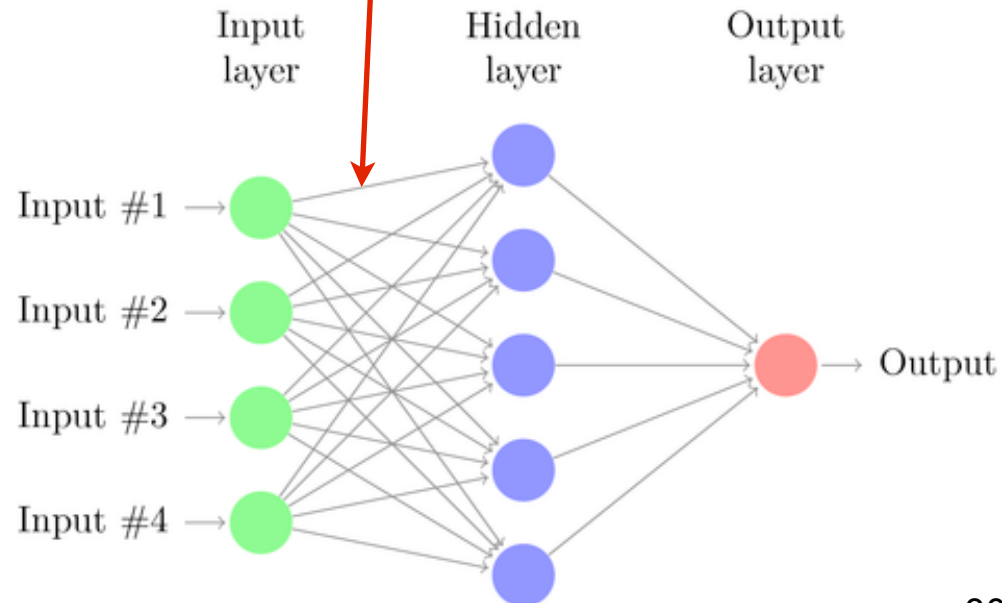
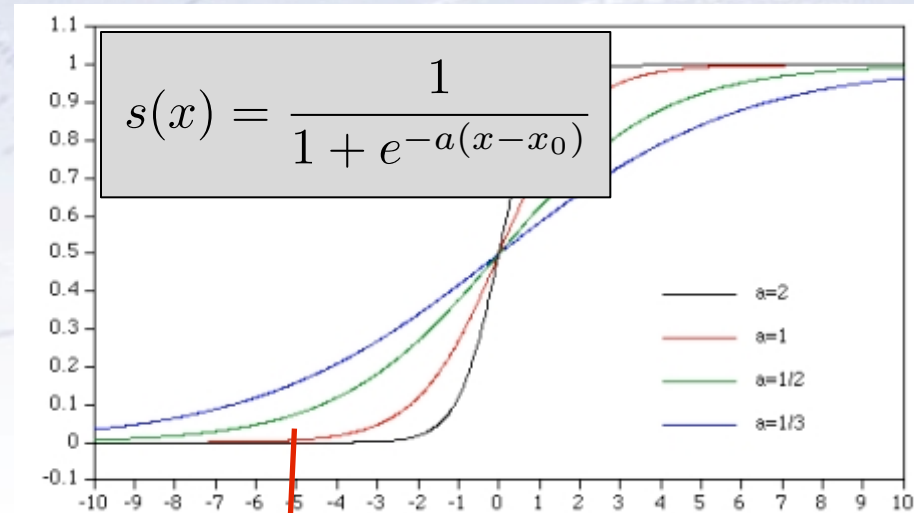
The simplest is a single layer perceptron:

$$t(x) = s \left(a_0 + \sum a_i x_i \right)$$

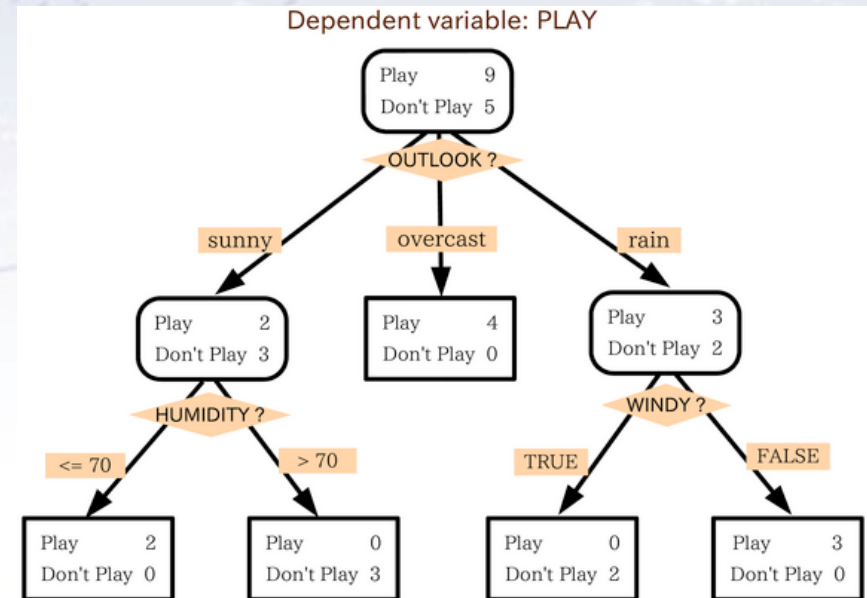
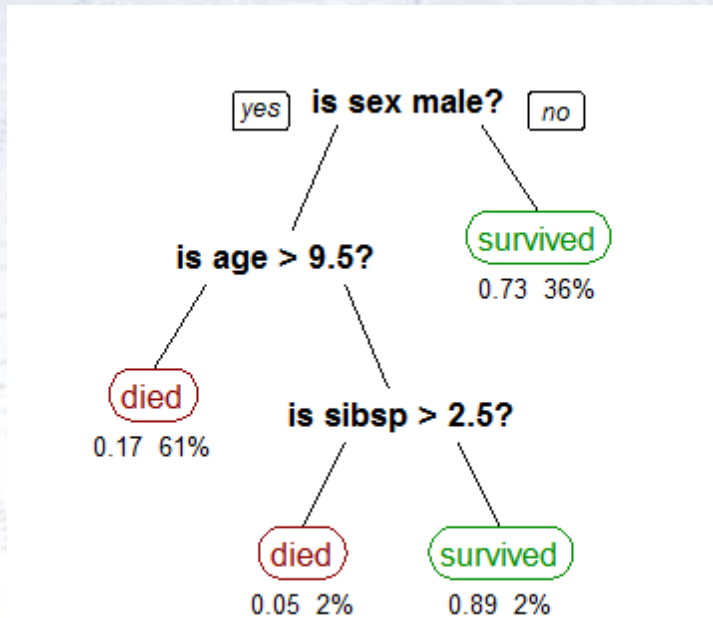
This can be generalised to a multilayer perceptron:

$$t(x) = s \left(a_i + \sum a_i h_i(x) \right)$$
$$h_i(x) = s \left(w_{i0} + \sum w_{ij} x_j \right)$$

Activation function can be any sigmoid function.



Boosted Decision Trees (BDT)



*Decision tree learning uses a **decision tree** as a **predictive model** which maps observations about an item to conclusions about the item's target value. It is one of the predictive modelling approaches used in **statistics**, **data mining** and **machine learning**.*

[Wikipedia, Introduction to Decision Tree Learning]

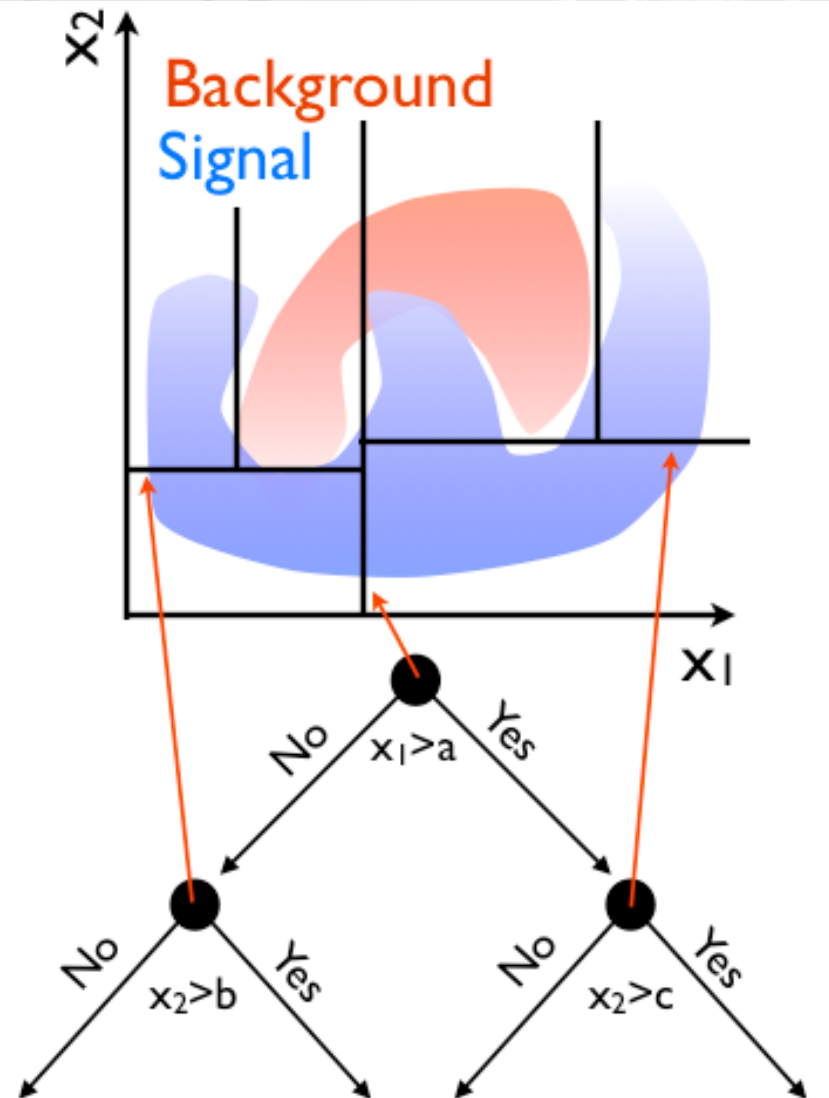
Boosted Decision Trees

A decision tree divides the parameter space, starting with the maximal separation. In the end each part has a probability of being signal or background.

- Works in 95+% of all problems!
- Fully uses non-linear correlations.

But BDTs require a lot of data for training, and is sensitive to overtraining (see next slide).

Overtraining can be reduced by limiting the number of nodes and number of trees.



Boosting...

There is no reason, why you can not have more trees. Each tree is a simple classifier, but many can be combined!

To avoid N identical trees, one assigns a higher weight to events that are hard to classify, i.e. boosting:

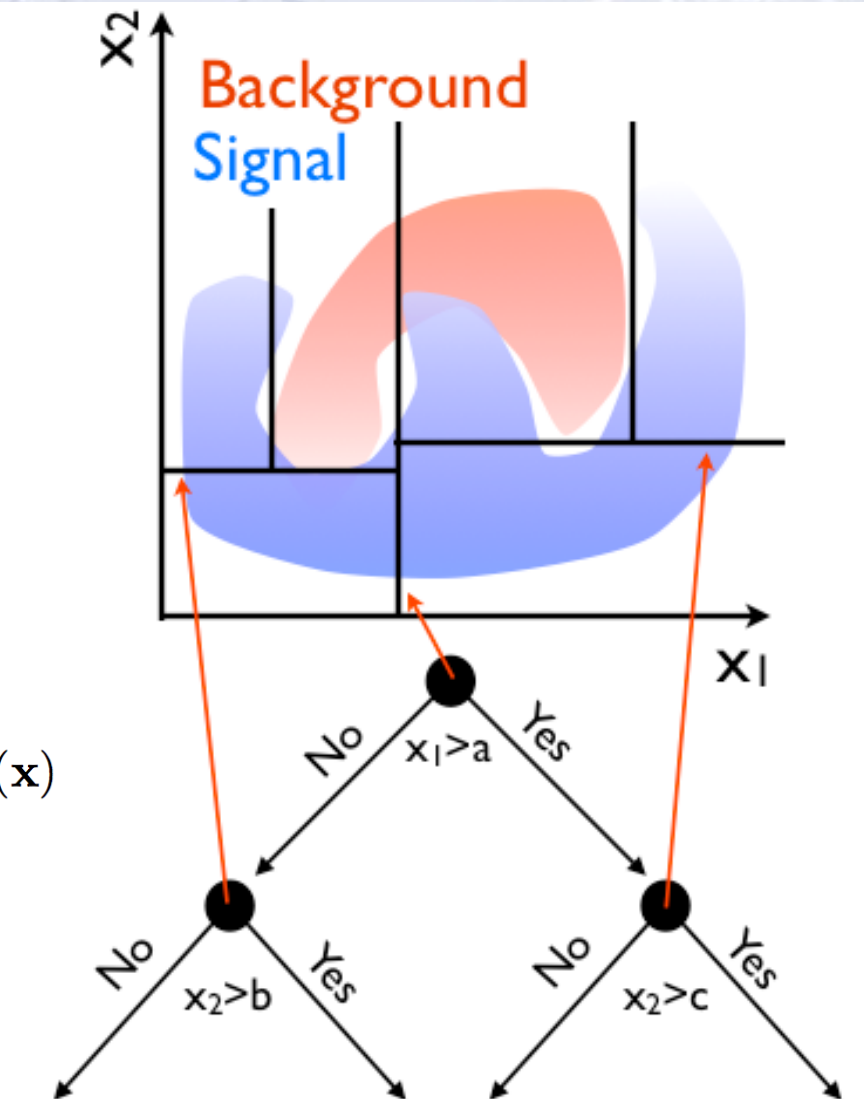
First classifier

Boost weight

$$\alpha = \frac{1 - \text{err}}{\text{err}}$$
$$y_{\text{Boost}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{collection}}} \cdot \sum_i^{N_{\text{collection}}} \ln(\alpha_i) \cdot h_i(\mathbf{x})$$

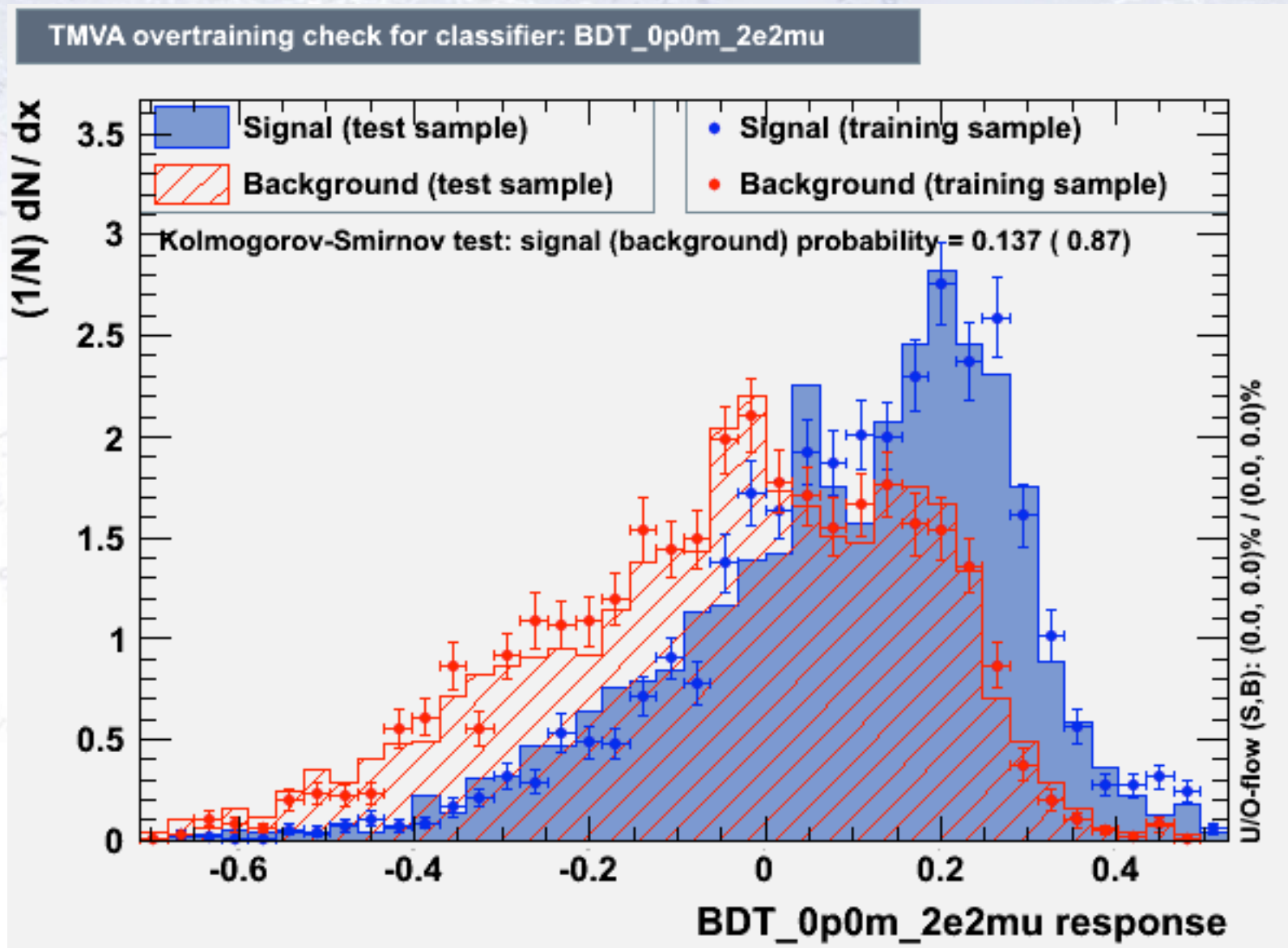
Parameters in event N

Individual tree



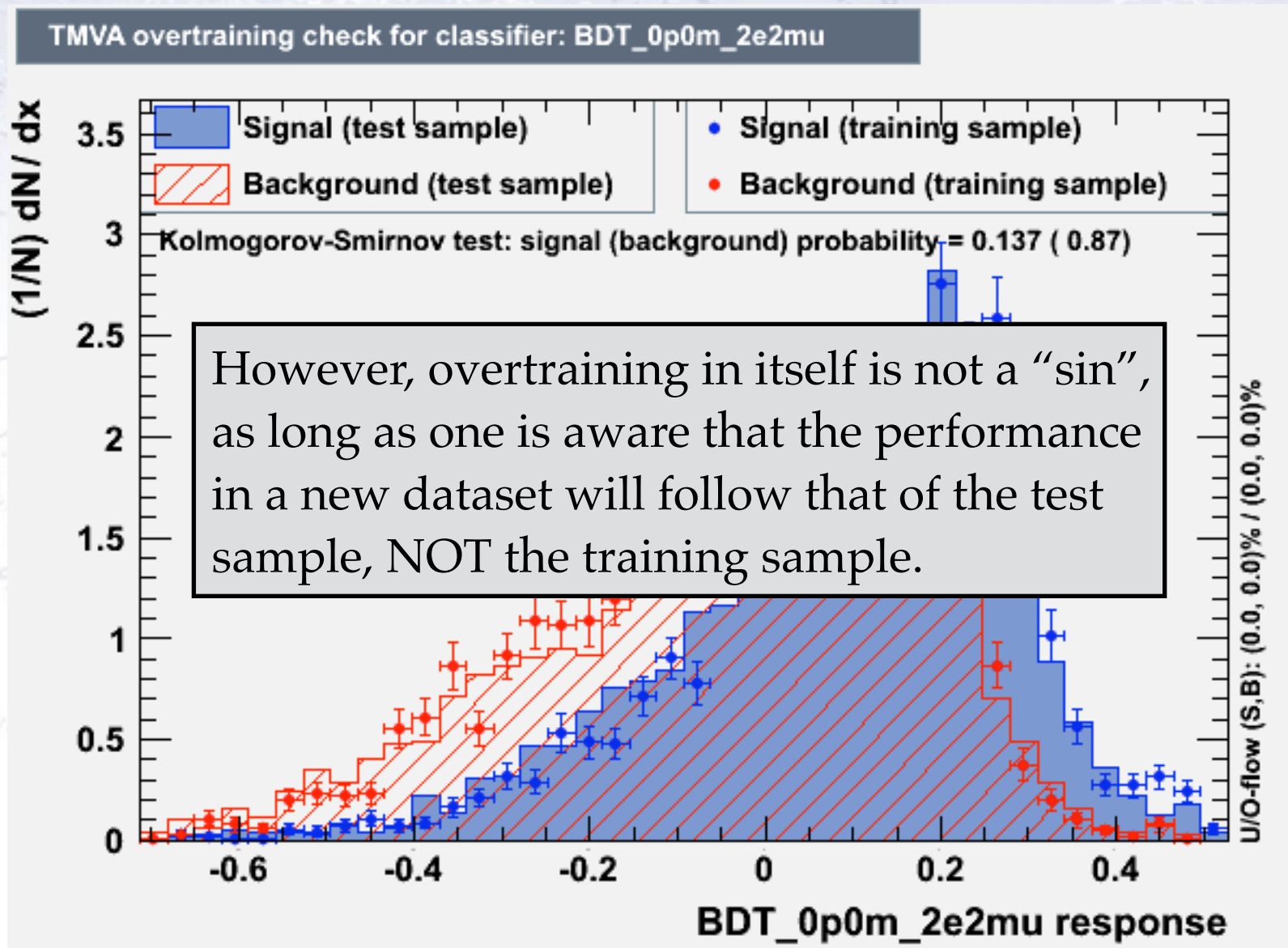
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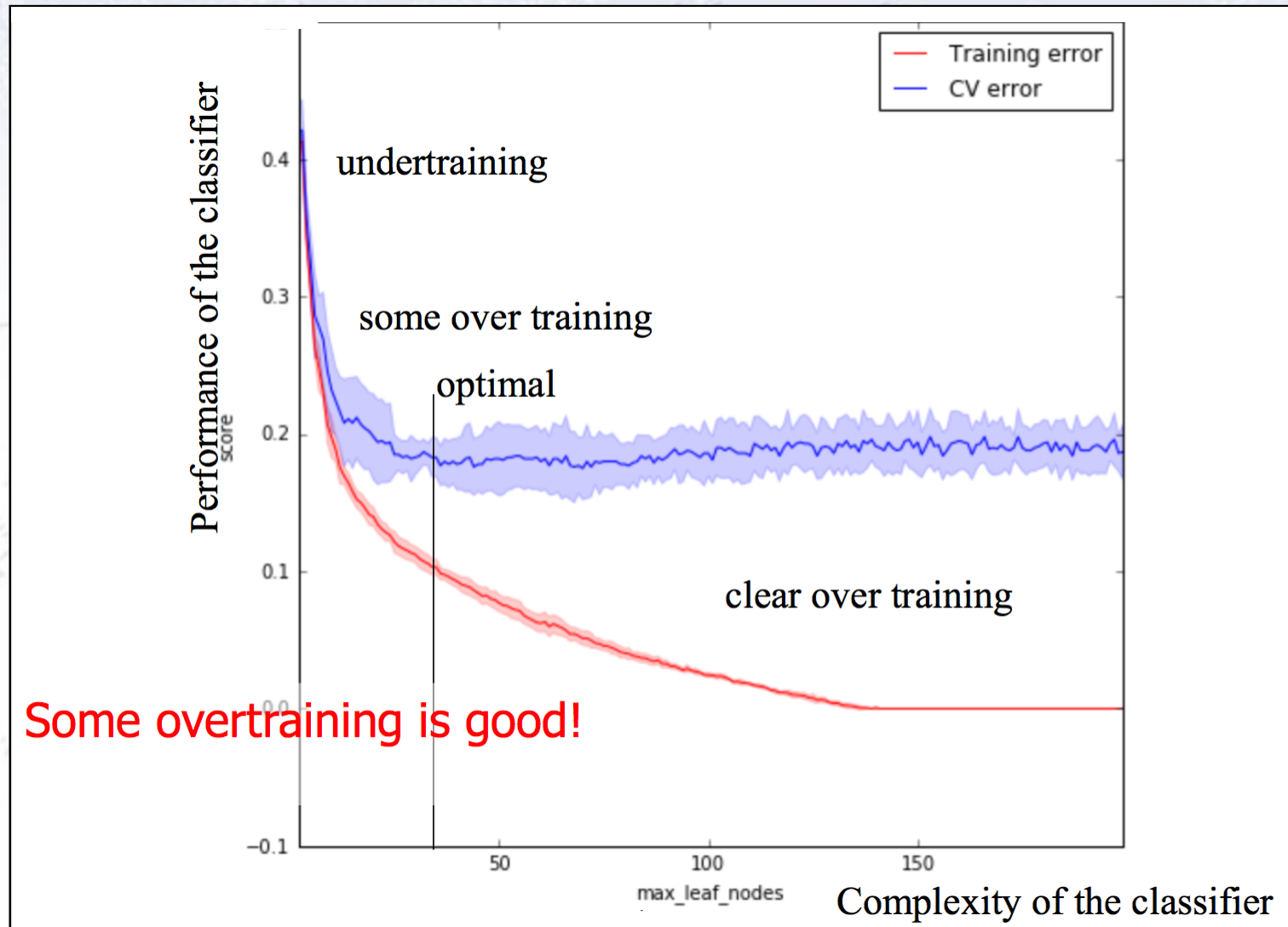
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Real overtraining

The “real” limit of overtraining, is when the (Cross) Validation (CV) error starts to grow!



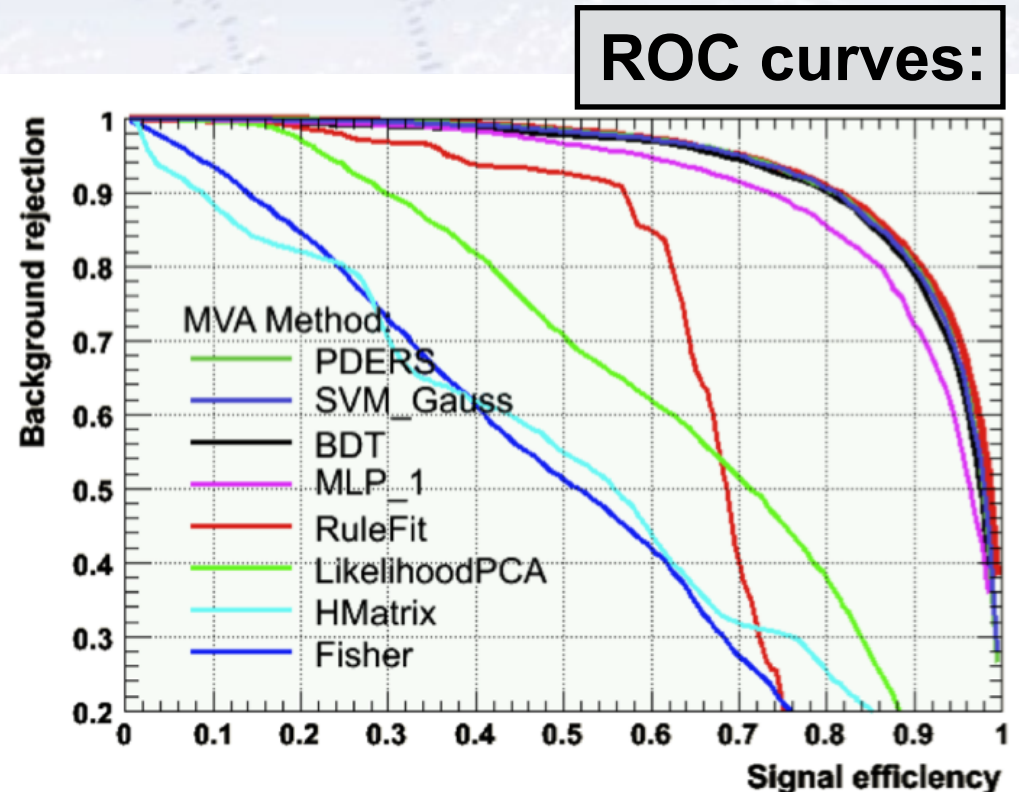
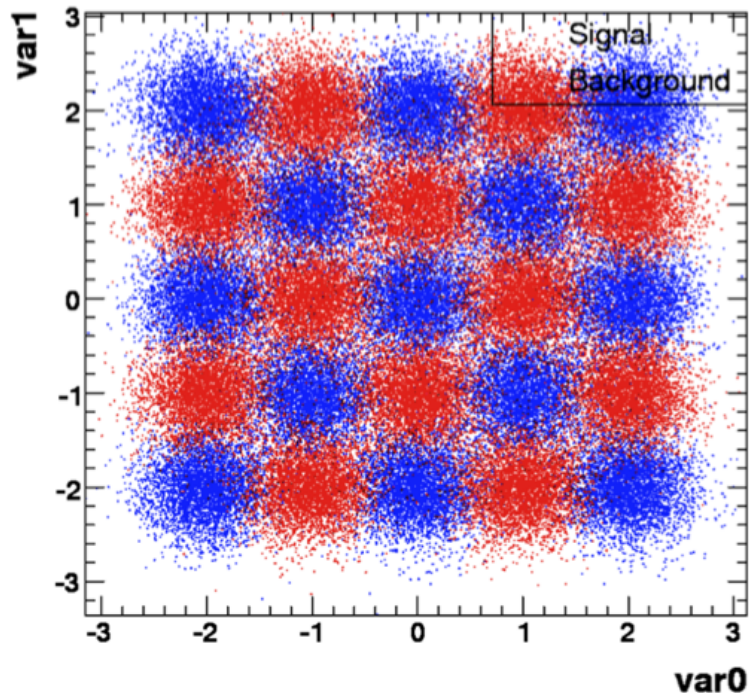
Method's (dis-)advantages

CRITERIA		CLASSIFIERS									
		Cuts	Likeli- hood	PDE- RS	k-NN	H- Matrix	Fisher	ANN	BDT	Rule- Fit	SVM
Performance	No or linear correlations	*	**	*	*	*	**	**	*	**	*
	Nonlinear correlations	o	o	**	**	o	o	**	**	**	**
Speed	Training	o	**	**	**	**	**	*	o	*	o
	Response	**	**	o	*	**	**	**	*	**	*
Robust- ness	Overtraining	**	*	*	*	**	**	*	o	*	**
	Weak variables	**	*	o	o	**	**	*	**	*	*
Curse of dimensionality		o	**	o	o	**	**	*	*	*	
Transparency		**	**	*	*	**	**	o	o	o	o

Table 1: Assessment of classifier properties. The symbols stand for the attributes “good” (**), “fair” (*) and “bad” (o). “Curse of dimensionality” refers to the “burden” of required increase in training statistics and processing time when adding more input variables. See also comments in text. The FDA classifier is not represented here since its properties depend on the chosen function.

Performance comparison

Left figure shows the distribution of signal and background used for test.
Right figure shows the resulting separation using various MVA methods.



The theoretical limit is known from the Neyman-Pearson lemma using the (known/correct) PDFs in a likelihood.

In all fairness, this is a case that is great for the BDT...

Which method to use?

There is no good / simple answer to this, though people have tried, e.g.:

scikit-learn
algorithm cheat-sheet

