

Inherently interpretable models

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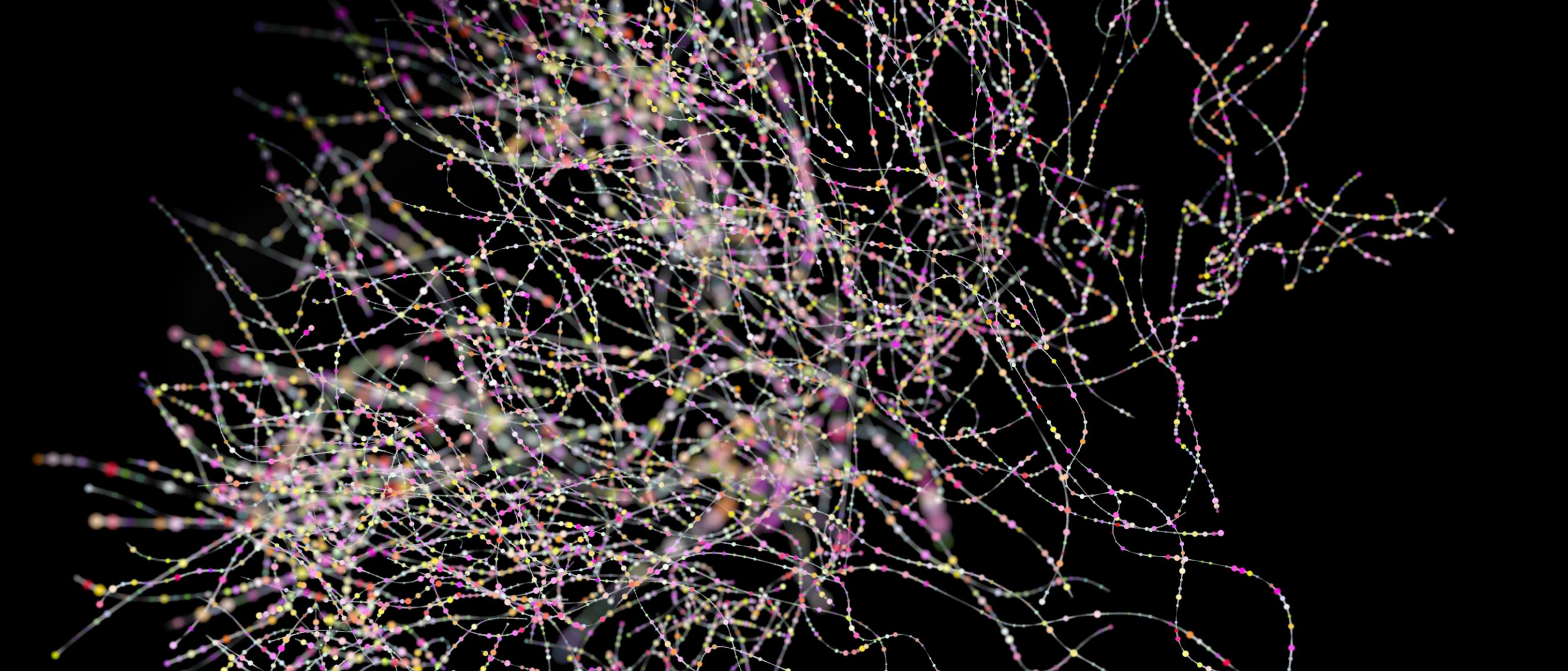
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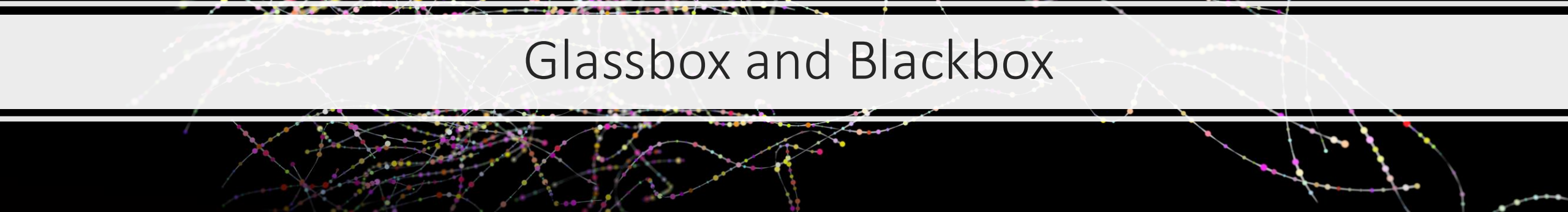
"If the eighth day of the month comes on a Tuesday, what is the date of the following Friday?" Hans would answer by tapping his hoof eleven times.

- Clever Hans, a horse, amazed audiences with apparent intelligence in early 1900s Germany.
- Claimed to solve math problems and answer questions.
- Drew significant public attention and curiosity about abilities.
- Attracted interest from scientists and psychologists studying cognition.
- Ultimately revealed reliance on subtle human cues, not intelligence.

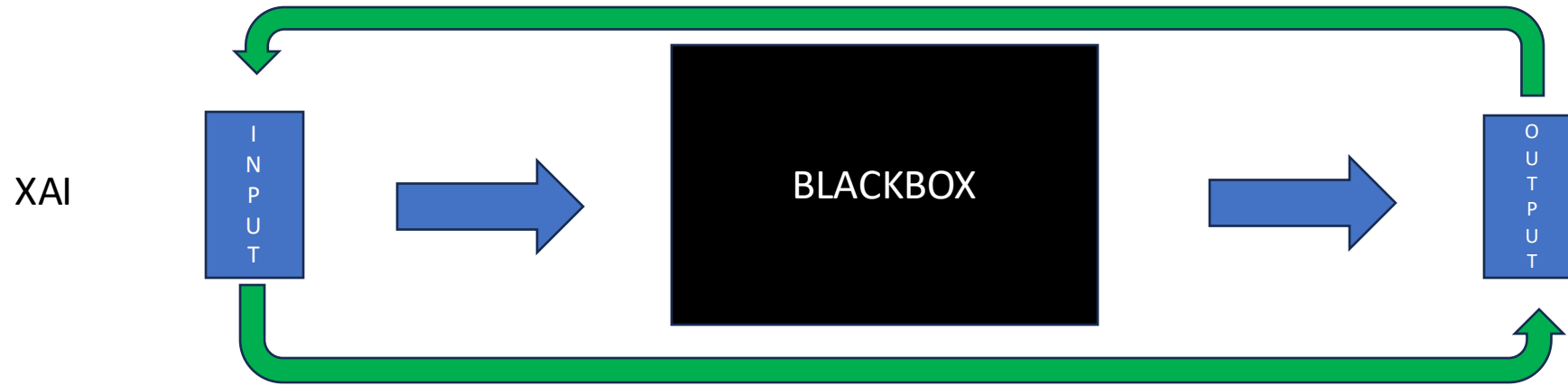




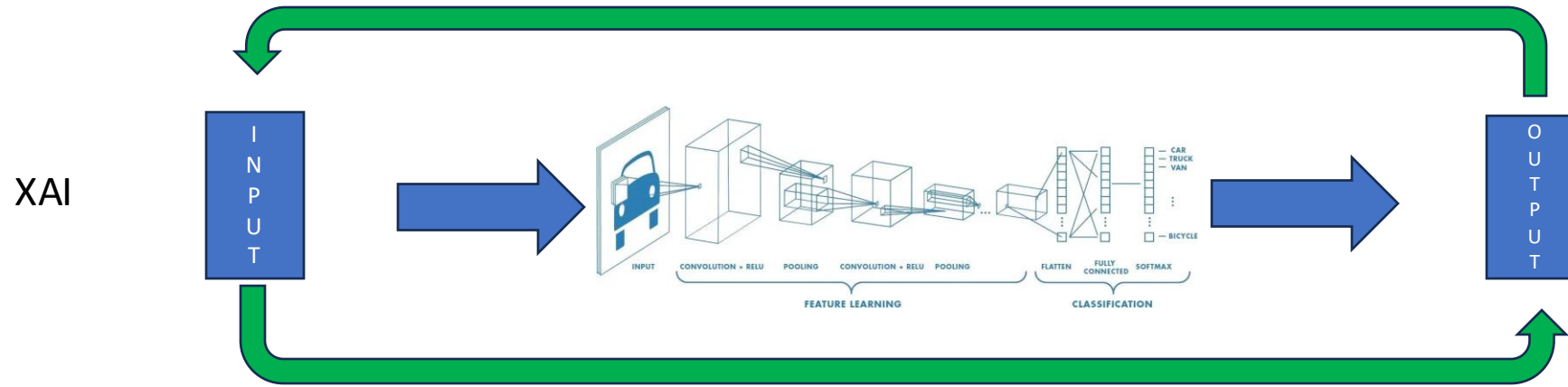
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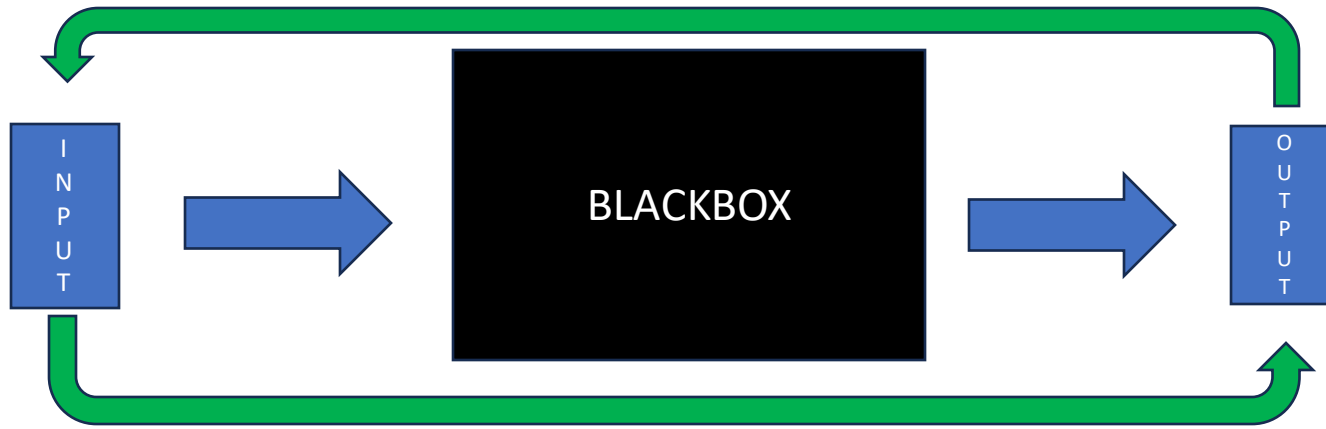


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Interpretability vs Explainability



Interpretability

It is a property of a model

Interpretable models can provide explainability

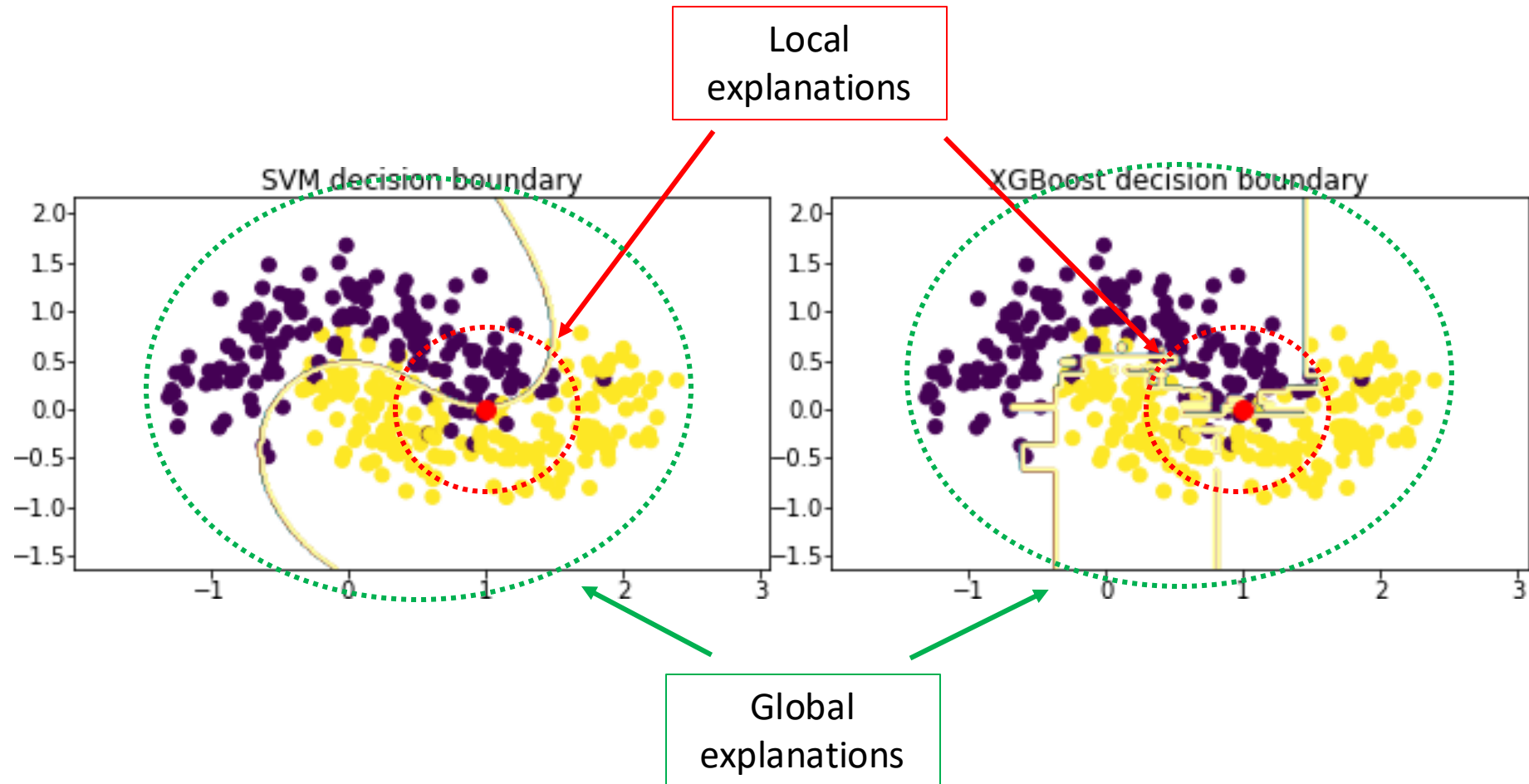
Explainability

It is a property of a decision process

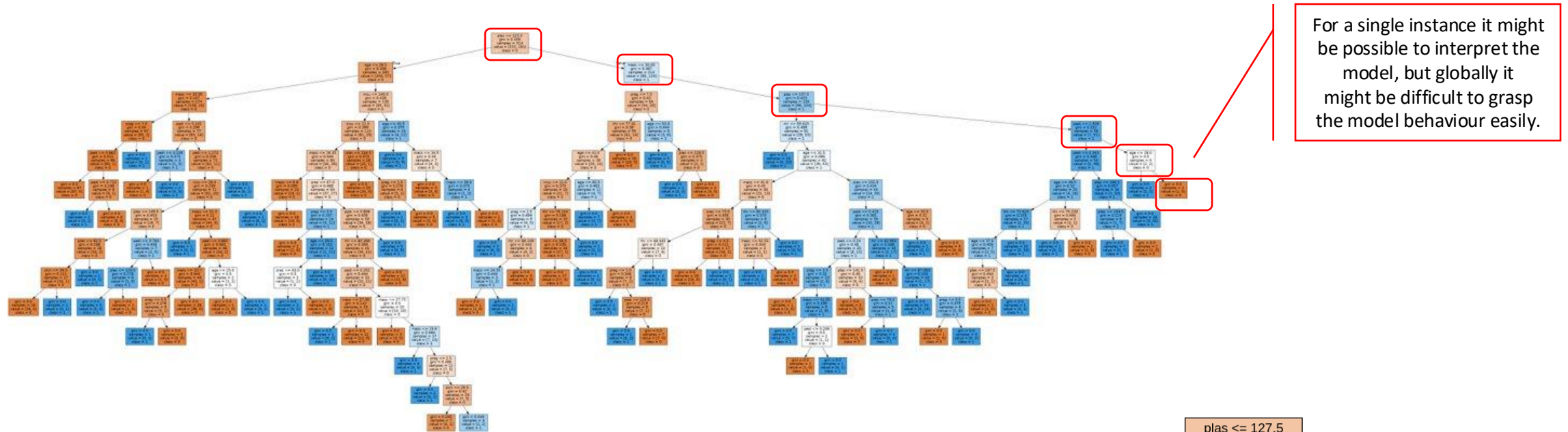
Explainability can be achieved even for not interpretable models



Local vs Global explanations

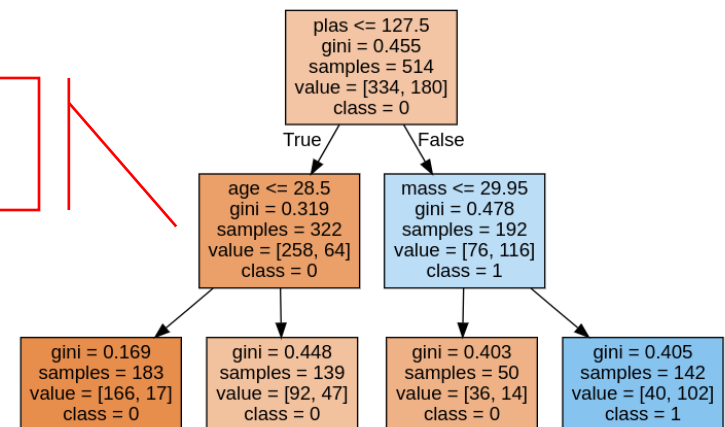


Locally and globally interpretable models



- Interpretability does not guarantee understandability!
- It depends on many factors

The model is simple enough to interpret it globally





Linear regression

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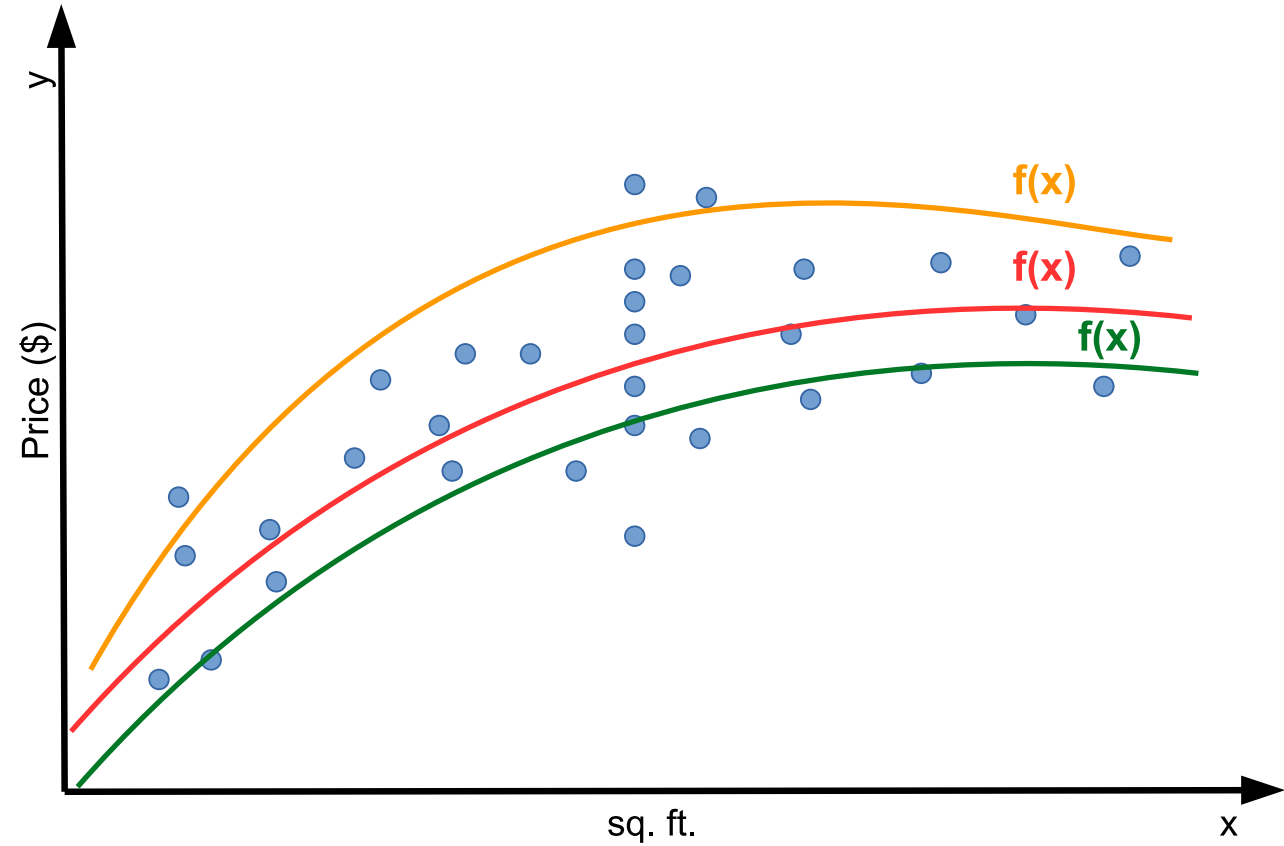
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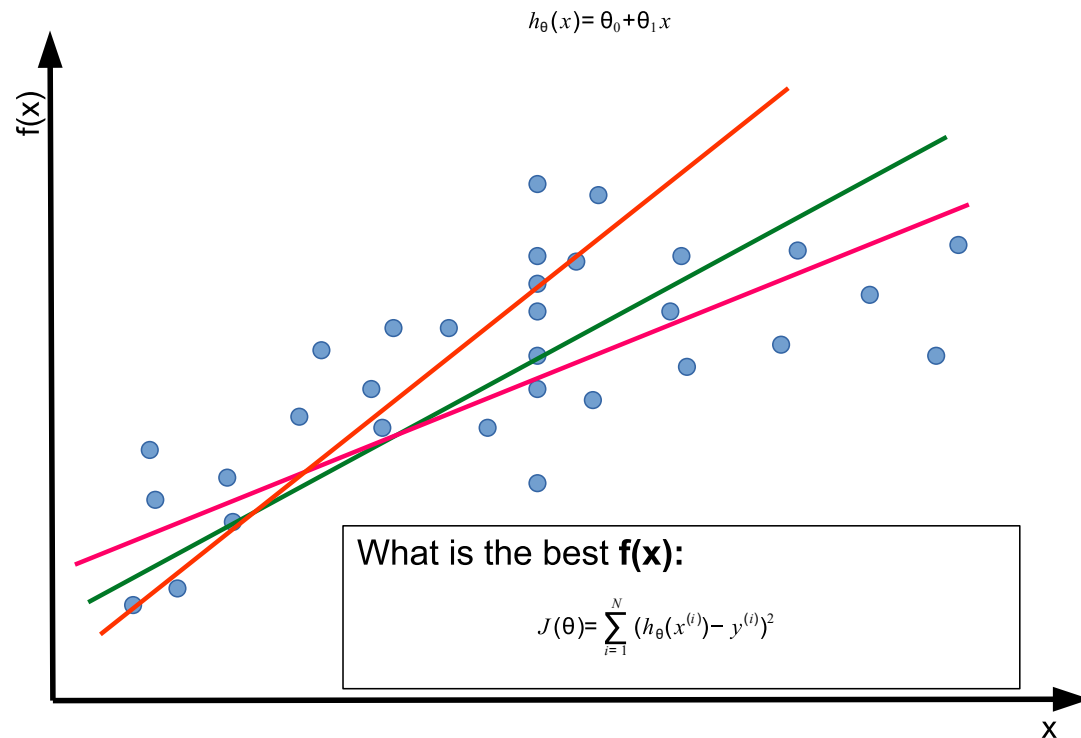
$X_3 = 300 \text{ ft}^2, y_3 = 1\,000\,000 \text{ \$}$



$X_4 = 170 \text{ ft}^2, y_4 = 270\,000 \text{ \$}$



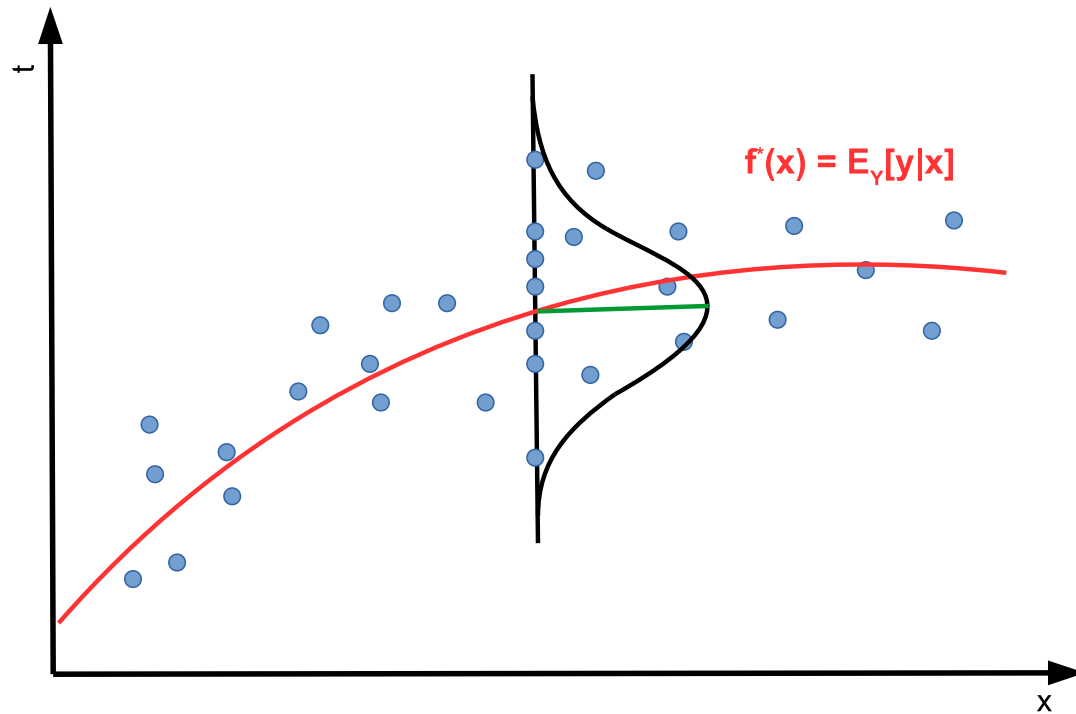
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- Linearity – interactions and nonlinearities need to be engineered
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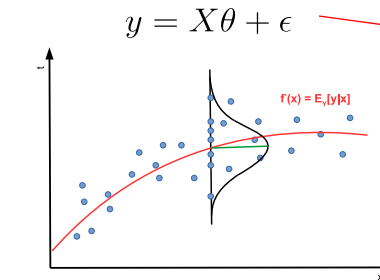
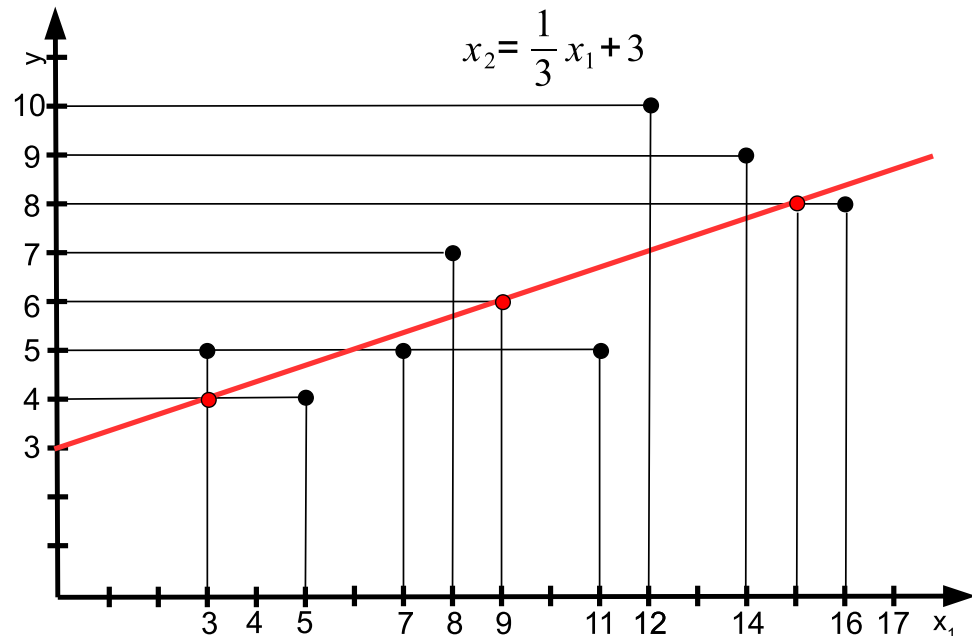


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How to interpret linear regression

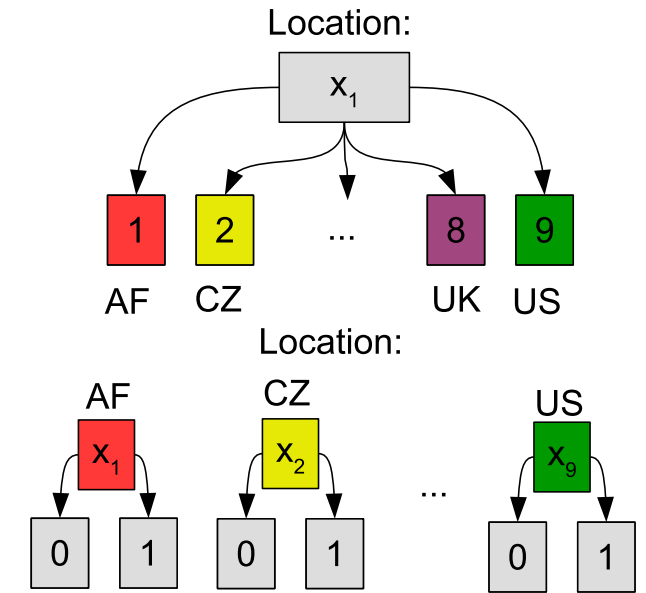
- Interpretation of numerical features
- Interpretation of categorical features
- Feature importance
- **"All other features remain the same"**



$$\hat{\theta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

$$SE(\hat{\theta}) = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 (X^T X)^{-1}}$$

$$t_{\hat{\theta}_j} = \frac{\hat{\theta}_j}{SE(\hat{\theta}_j)}$$

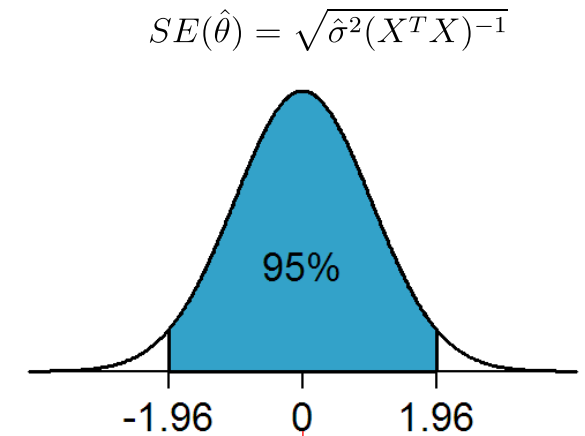
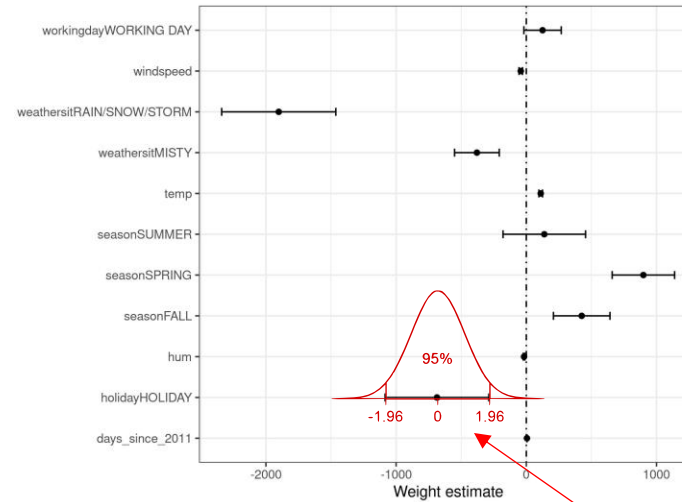


We do not know the real error (noise), so we use MSE as an estimate. Nice video explaining this: [Video](#).

Note: You need to get diagonal values of $(X^T X)^{-1}$, as this is covariance matrix.

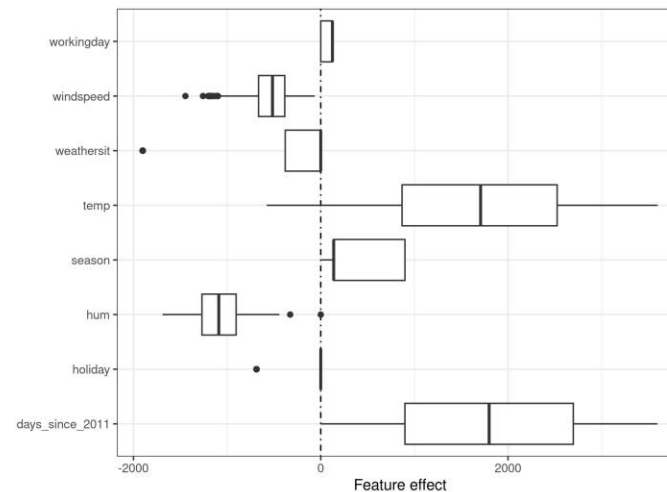
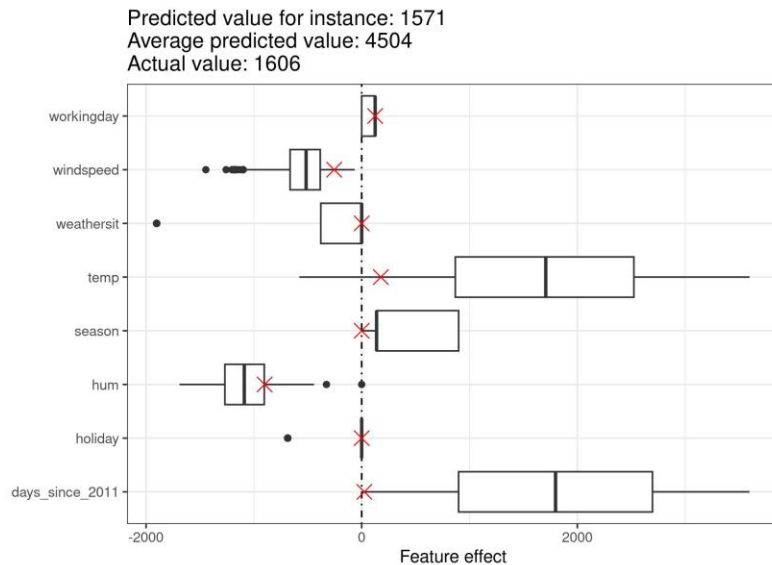
How to interpret linear regression

- Confidence intervals
- Effect plots
- Explain single instance



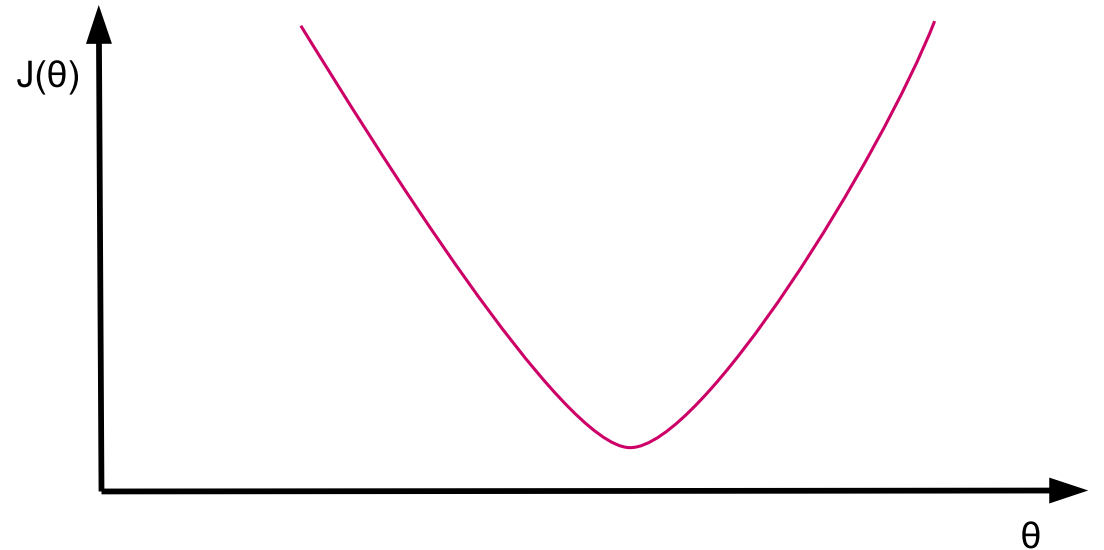
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- **OLS will give different results than gradient methods, because of normalization issues**
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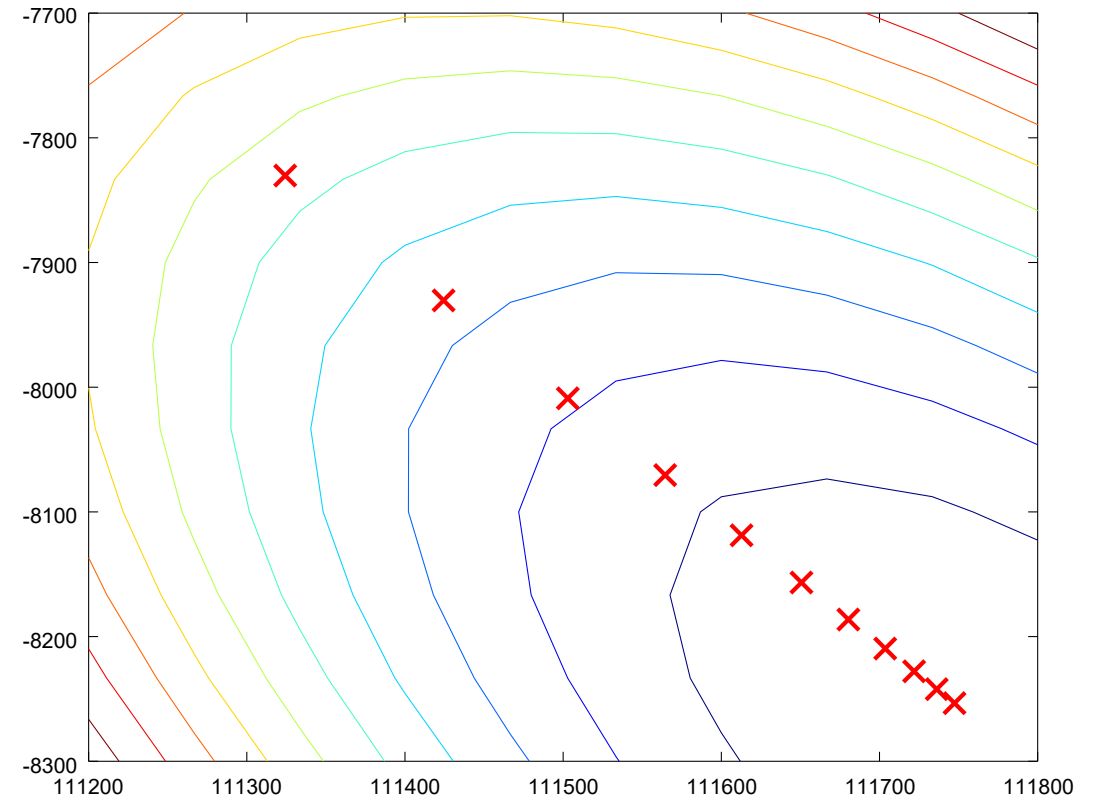
$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N (y^{(i)} - \theta x^{(i)})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_i} = 2 \sum_j^N (\theta x^{(j)} - y^{(j)}) x_i^{(j)}$$

$$\theta_i = \theta_i - \alpha \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_i}$$

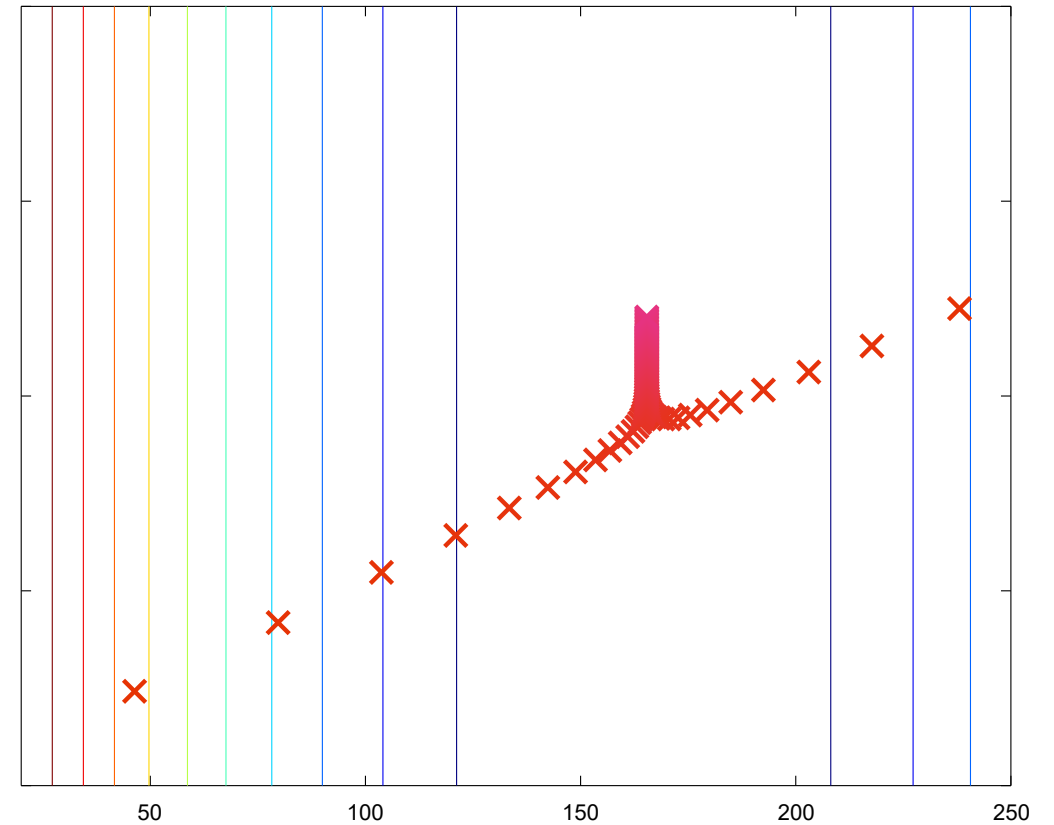
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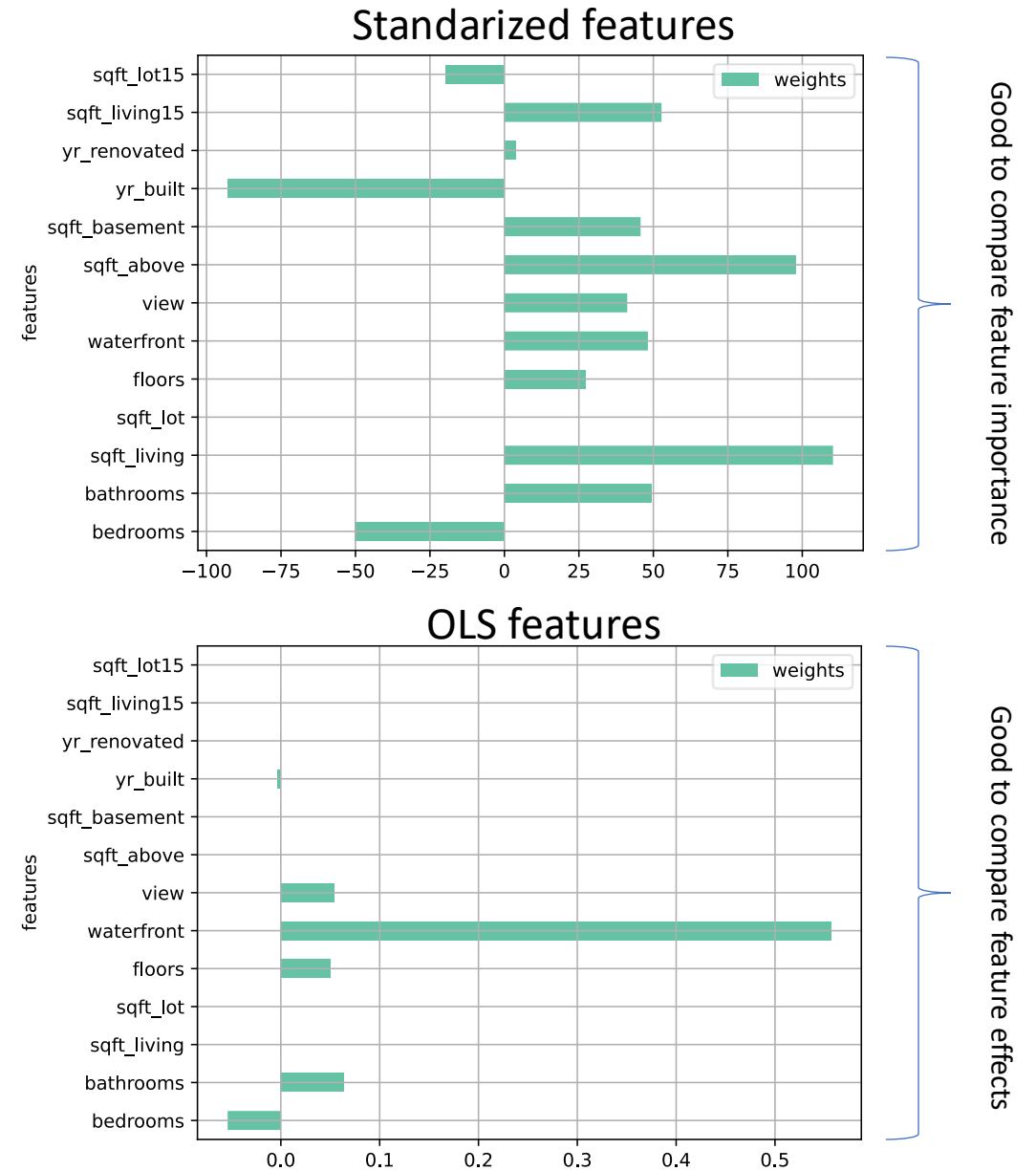
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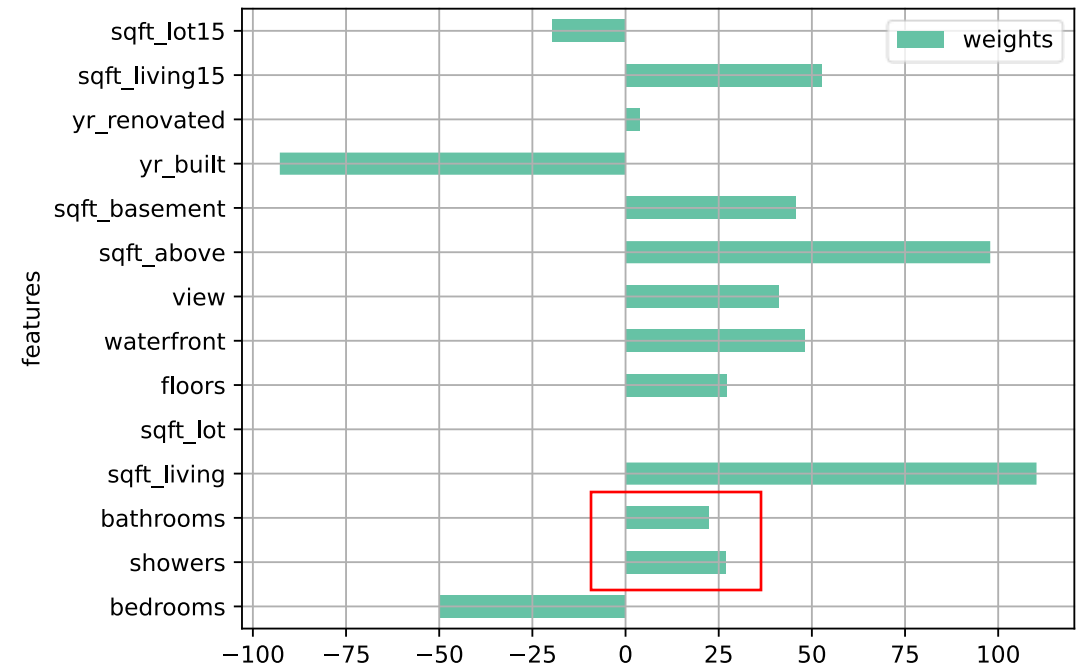
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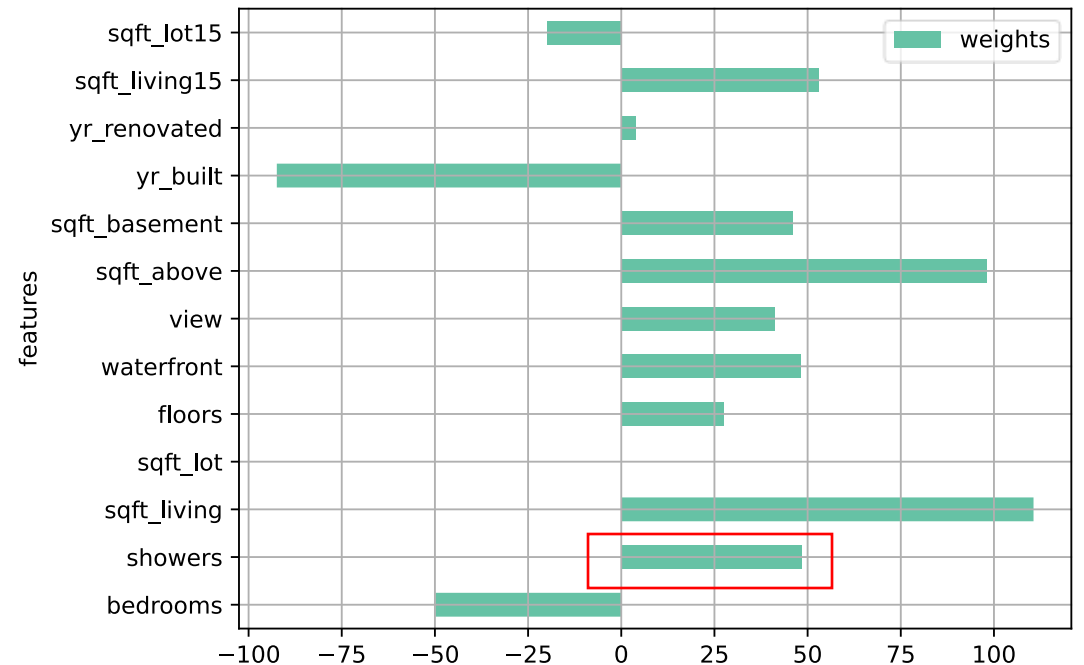
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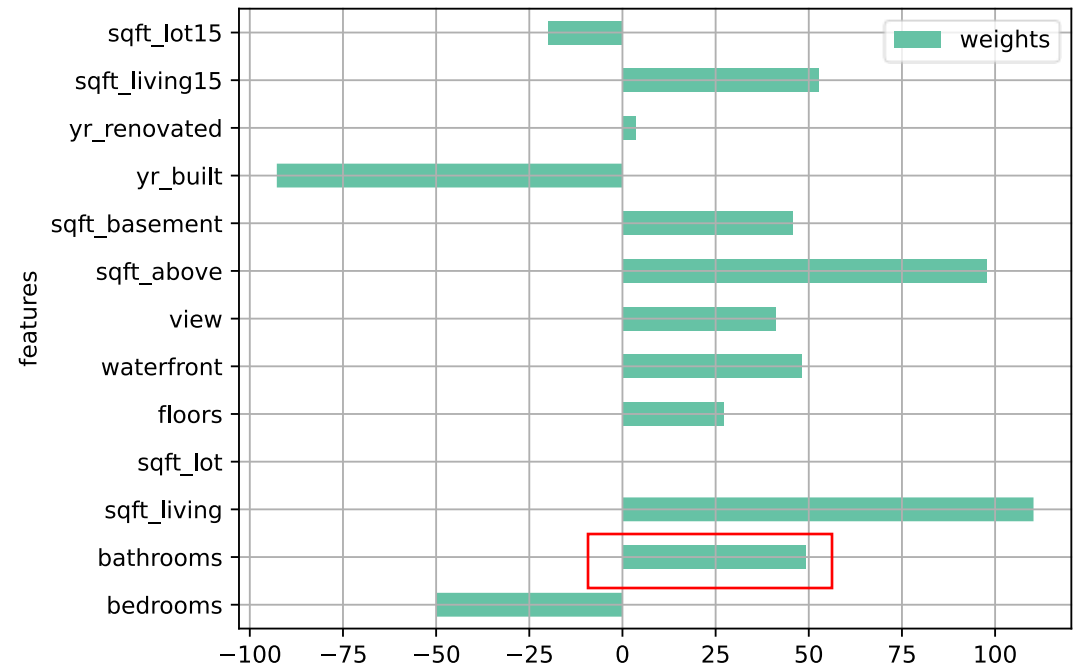
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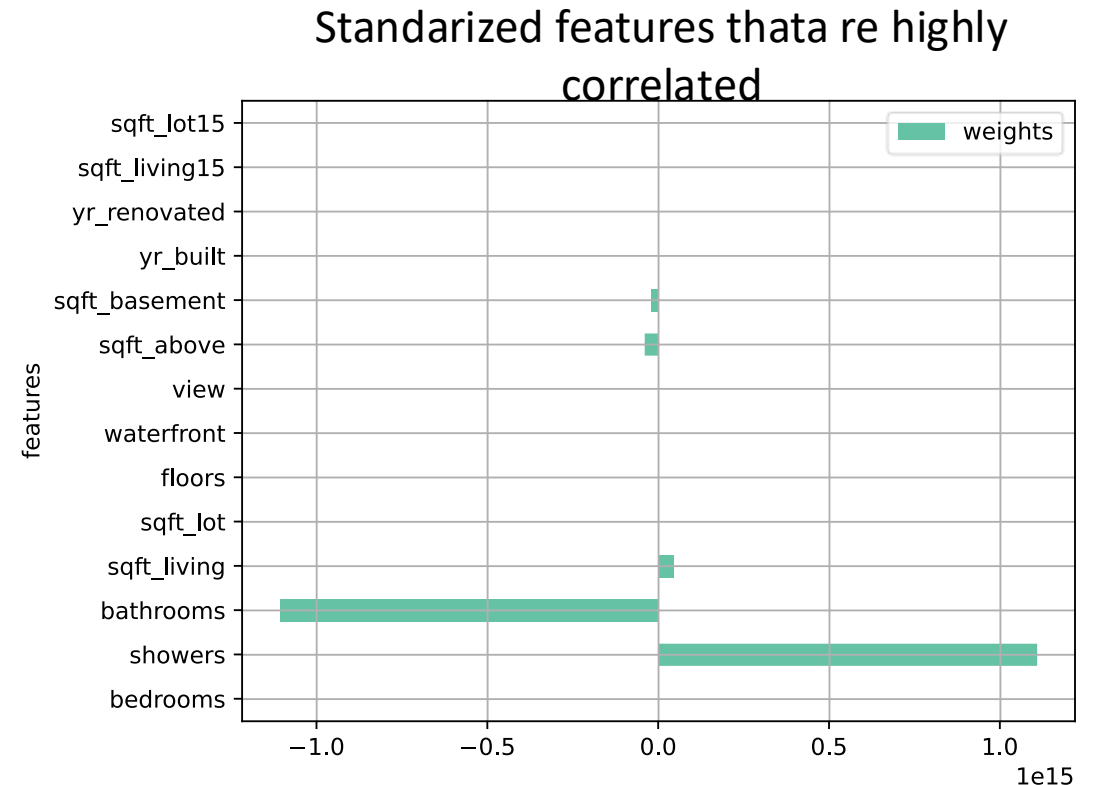
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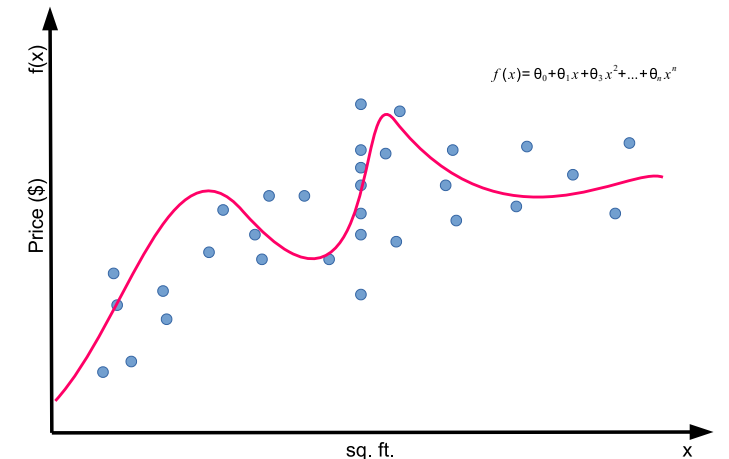
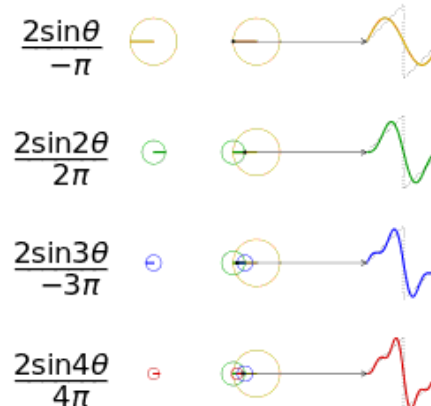
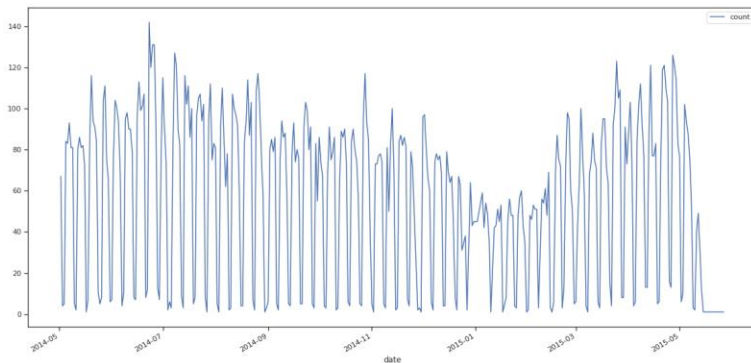
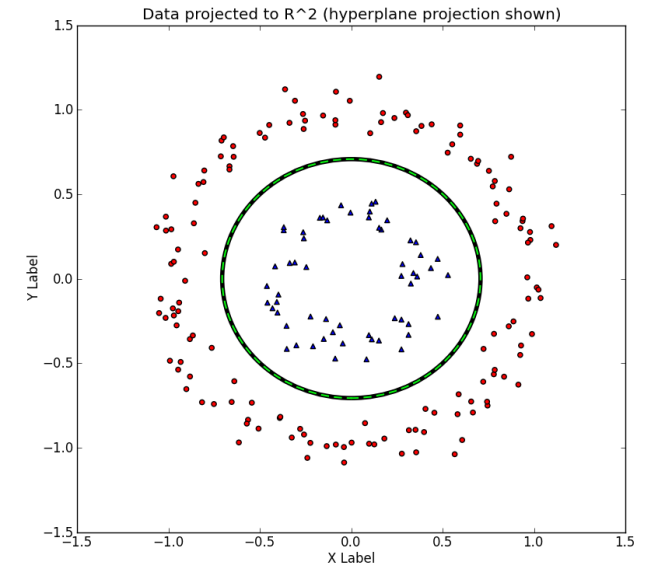
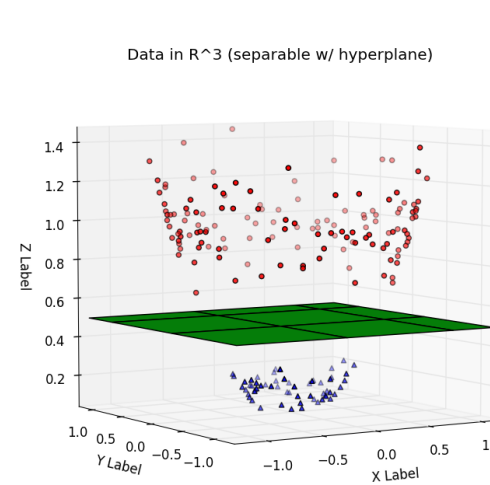
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The model may compensate for this redundancy by inflating the coefficients of the correlated features to capture the shared variance. Consequently, the weights can appear significantly higher than they would for less correlated features.

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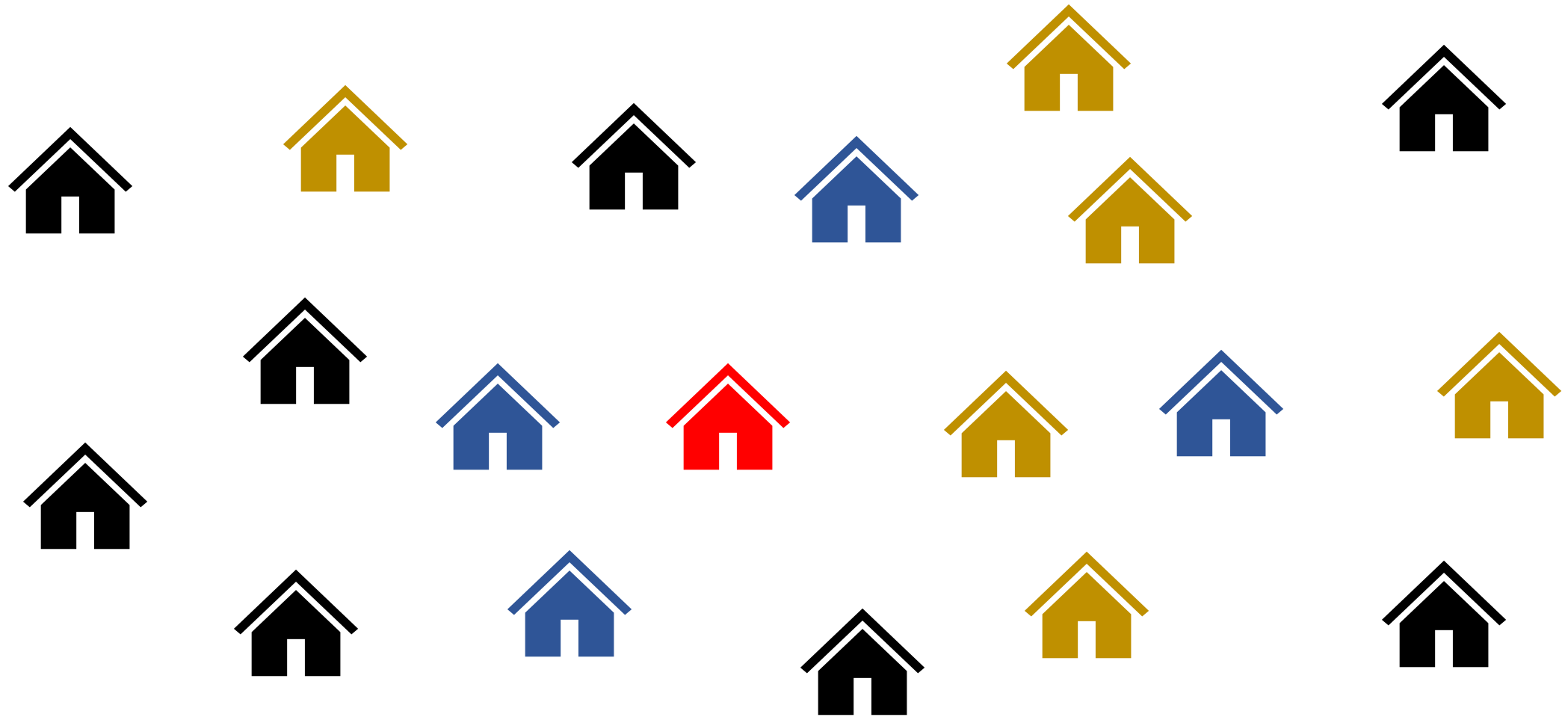




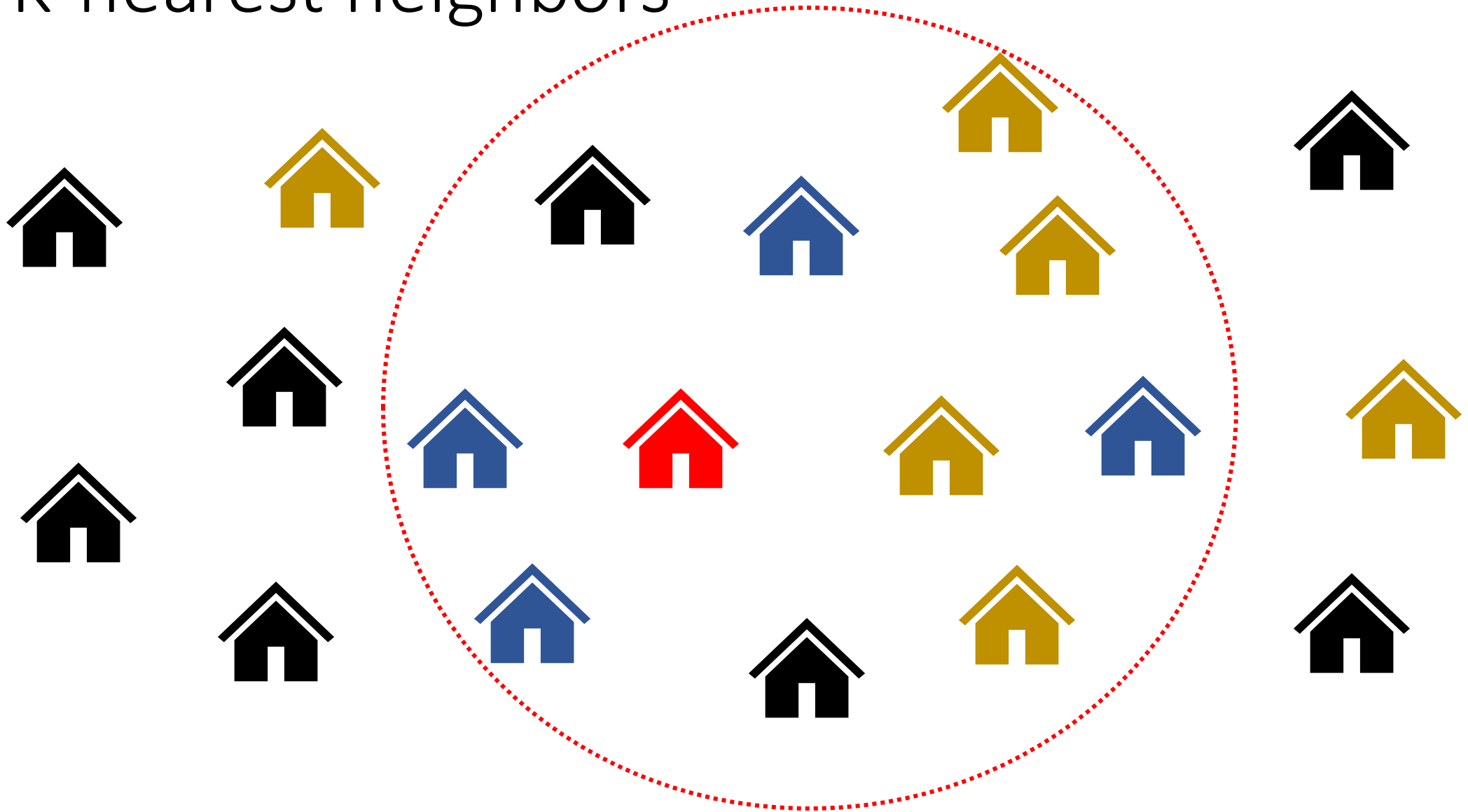
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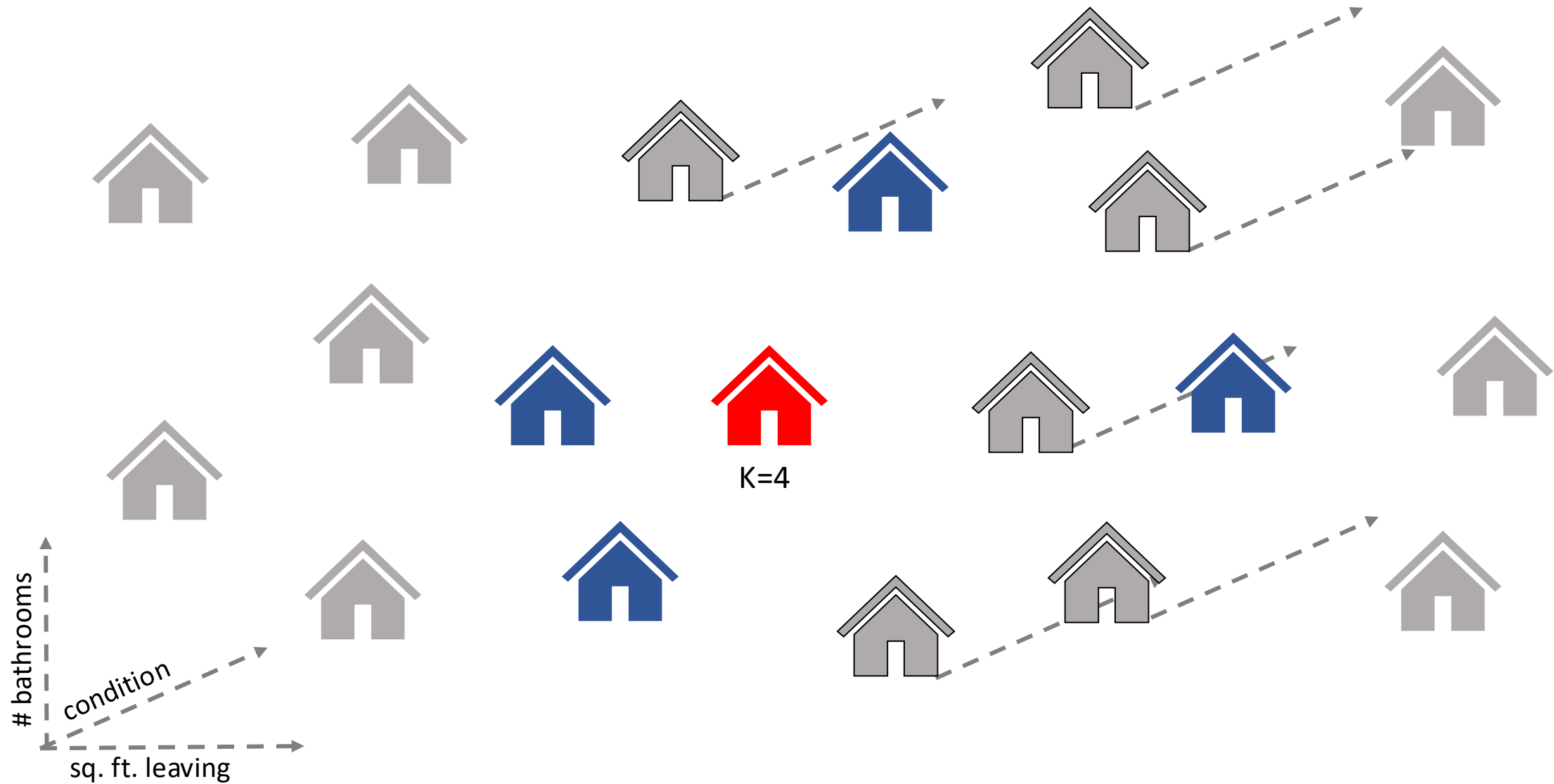
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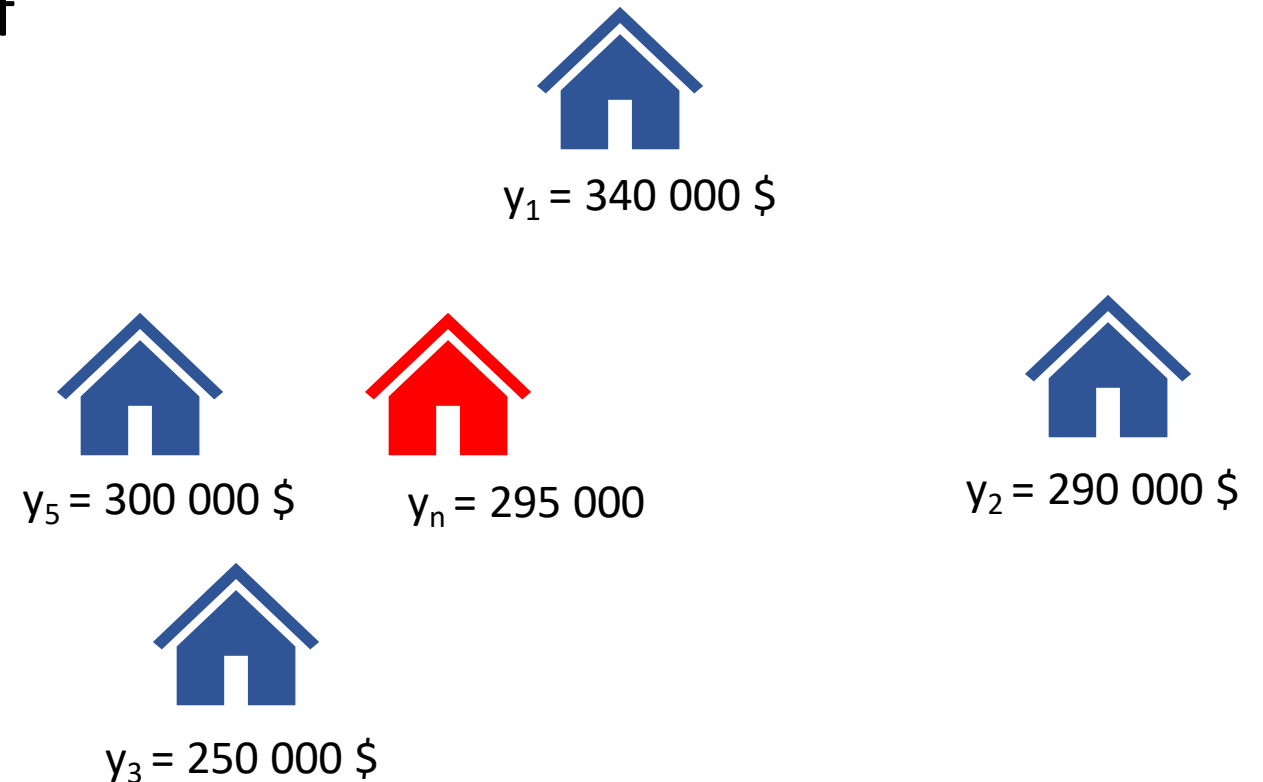


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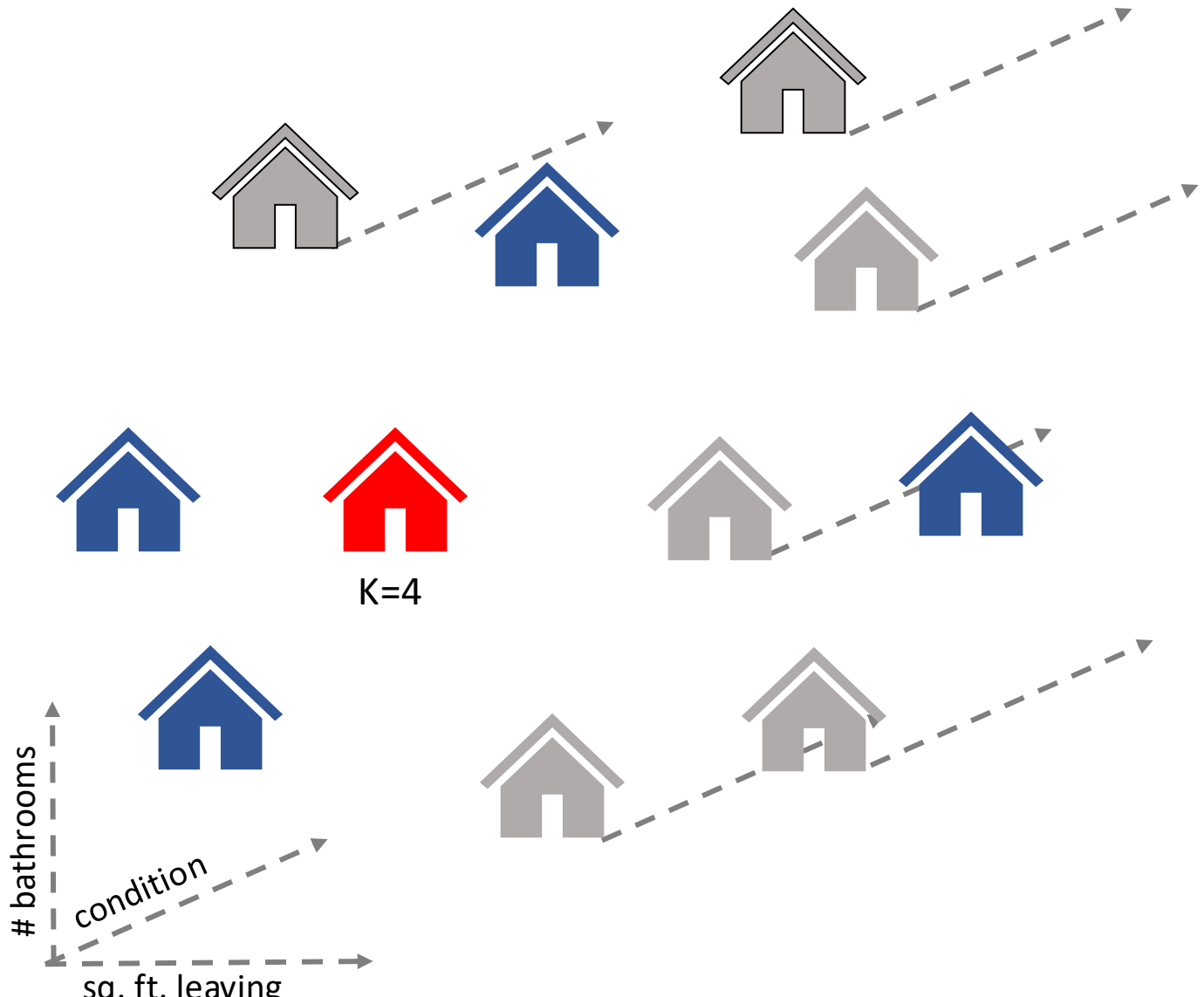
K-nearest neighbors

- Explain by example: the price of the house was estimated to 295 000 \$ because most similar houses had prices from a range 250 000\$ to 340 000 \$
- Explain by explicitly providing K nearest neighbours for analysis



K-nearest neighbors issues

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- What distance metric to use?
- What in case of hundreds of features?
 - Problem in analysing such a large number of parameters
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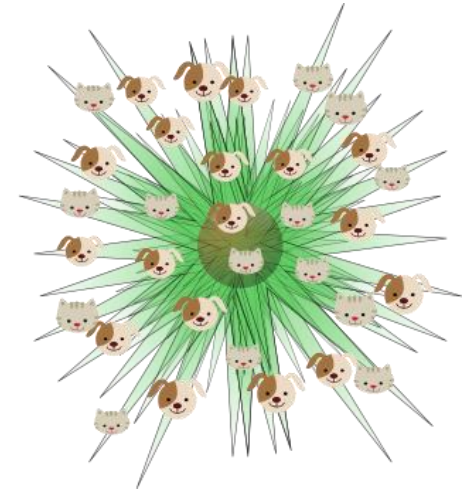
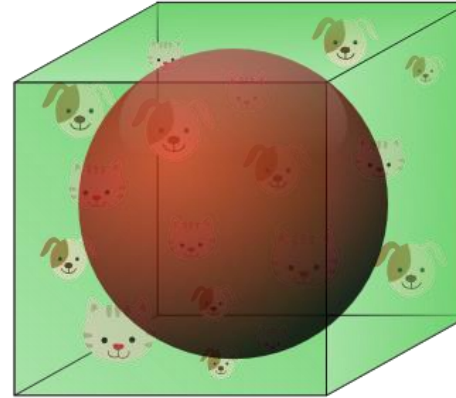
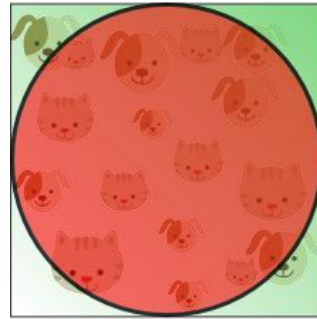
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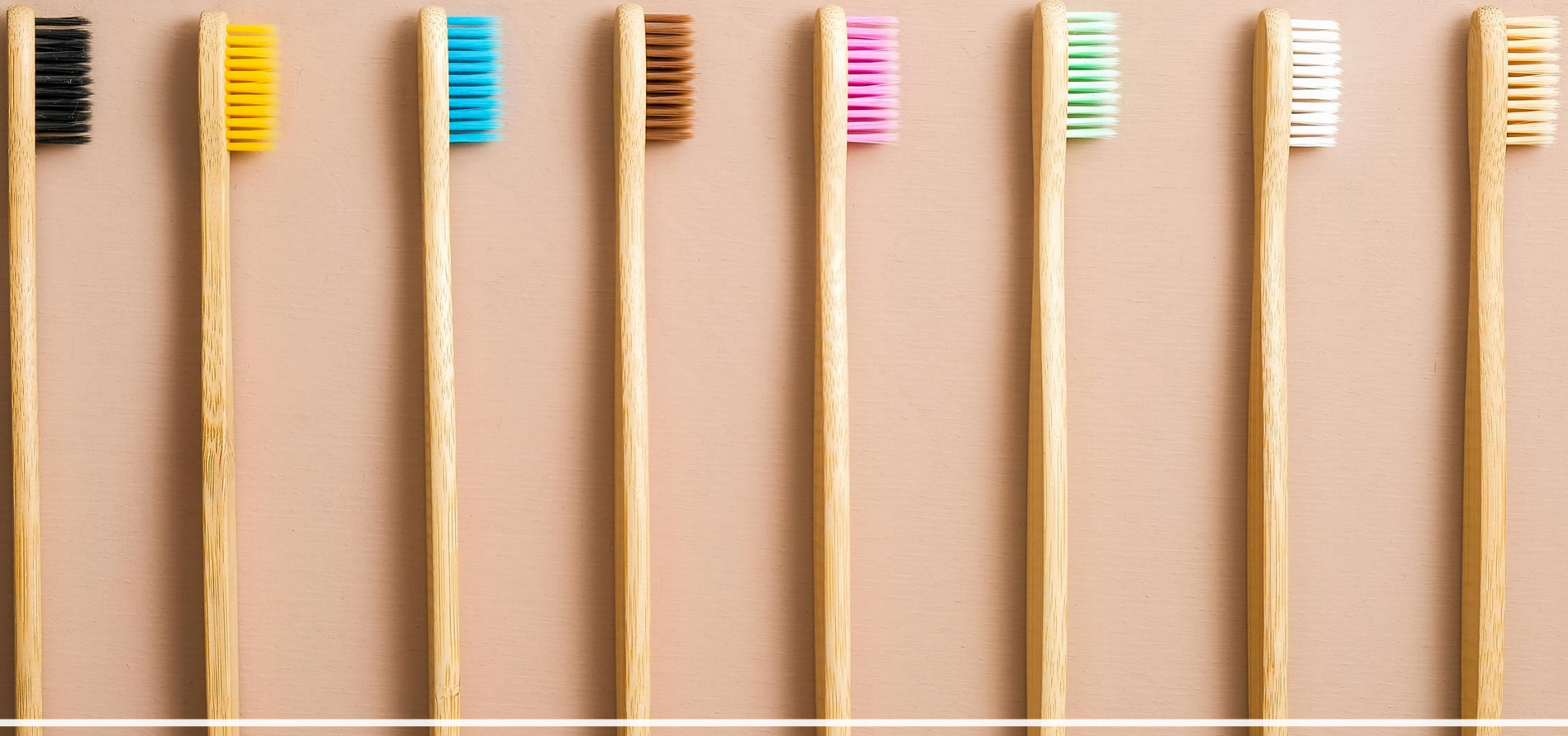


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$$\frac{V_{\text{hypersphere}}}{V_{\text{hypercube}}} = \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{d2^{d-1}\Gamma(d/2)} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } d \rightarrow \infty$$



Logistic regression

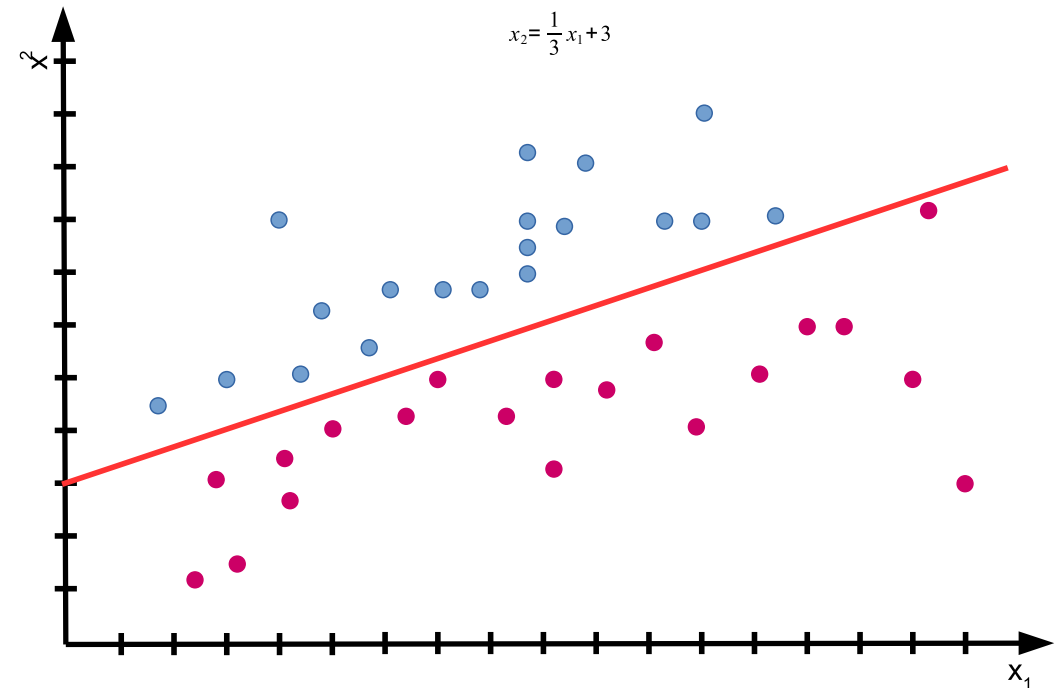
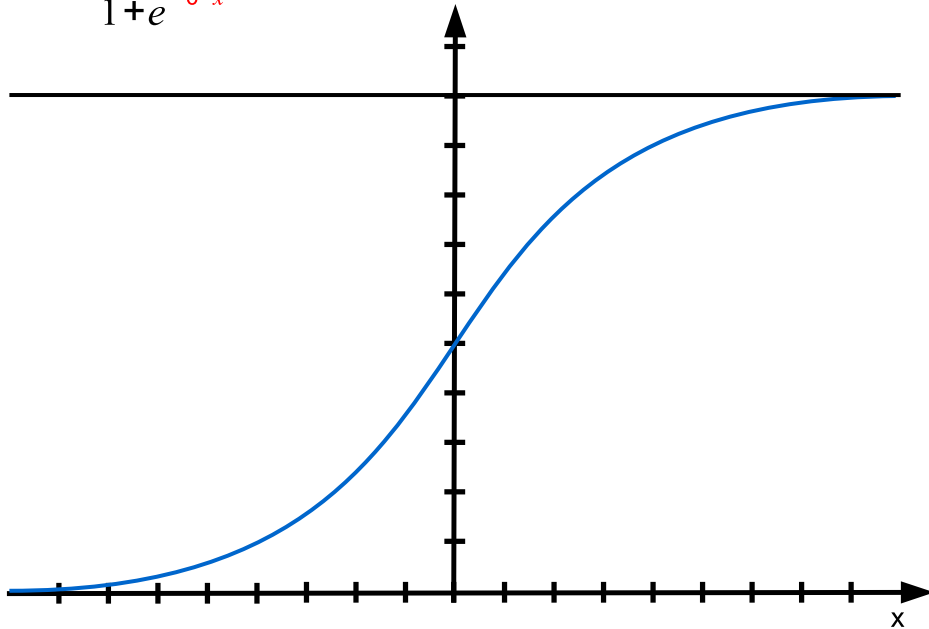
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$$P(y^{(i)} = 1) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1^{(i)} + \dots + \beta_p x_p^{(i)}))}$$

$$\max_{\beta} \ln \prod_{i=1}^N P(y^{(i)} | x^{(i)}, \beta) = \max_{\beta} \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N \ln P(y^{(i)} | x^{(i)}, \beta)}_{\ell(\beta)}$$

$$\max_{\beta} \ell(\beta) = \max_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^N [\mathbb{1}[y = +1] \ln P(y^{(i)} = +1 | x^{(i)}, \beta) + \mathbb{1}[y = -1] \ln P(y^{(i)} = -1 | x^{(i)}, \beta)]$$

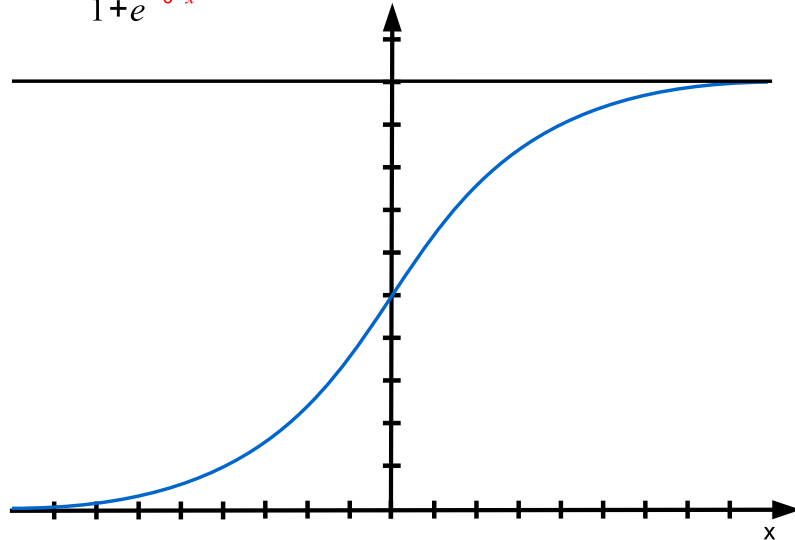
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$$\frac{P(y=1)}{1 - P(y=1)} = \text{odds} = \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p)$$

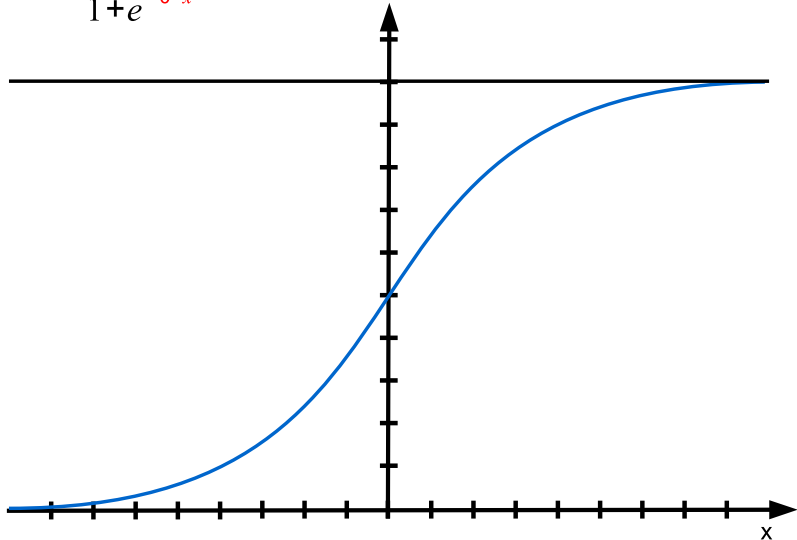
$$\frac{\text{odds}_{x_j+1}}{\text{odds}_{x_j}} = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_j(x_j + 1) + \dots + \beta_p x_p)}{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_j x_j + \dots + \beta_p x_p)}$$

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$$\pi_i = P(y_i = 1 | x_i)$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{1,1} & \dots & x_{1,p} \\ 1 & x_{2,1} & \dots & x_{2,p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n,1} & \dots & x_{n,p} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\pi}_1(1 - \hat{\pi}_1) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{\pi}_2(1 - \hat{\pi}_2) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \hat{\pi}_n(1 - \hat{\pi}_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$SE(\hat{\beta}) = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

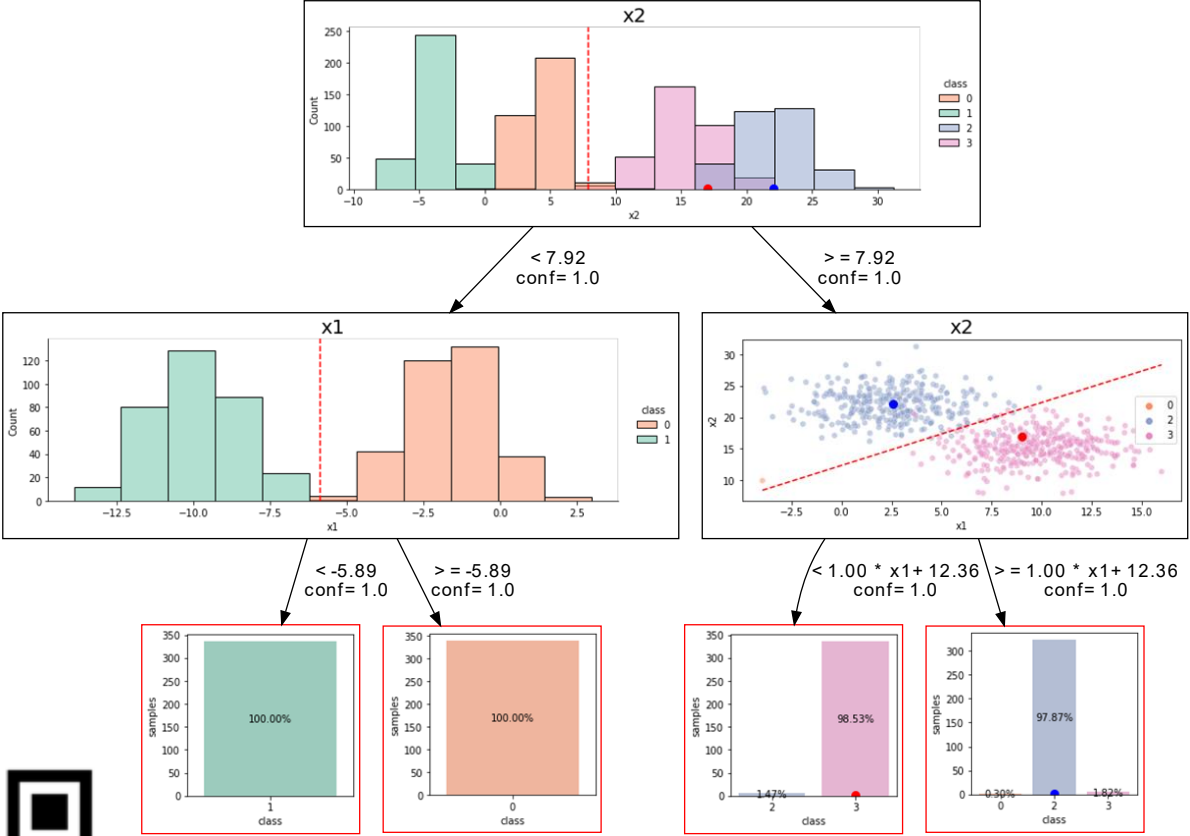
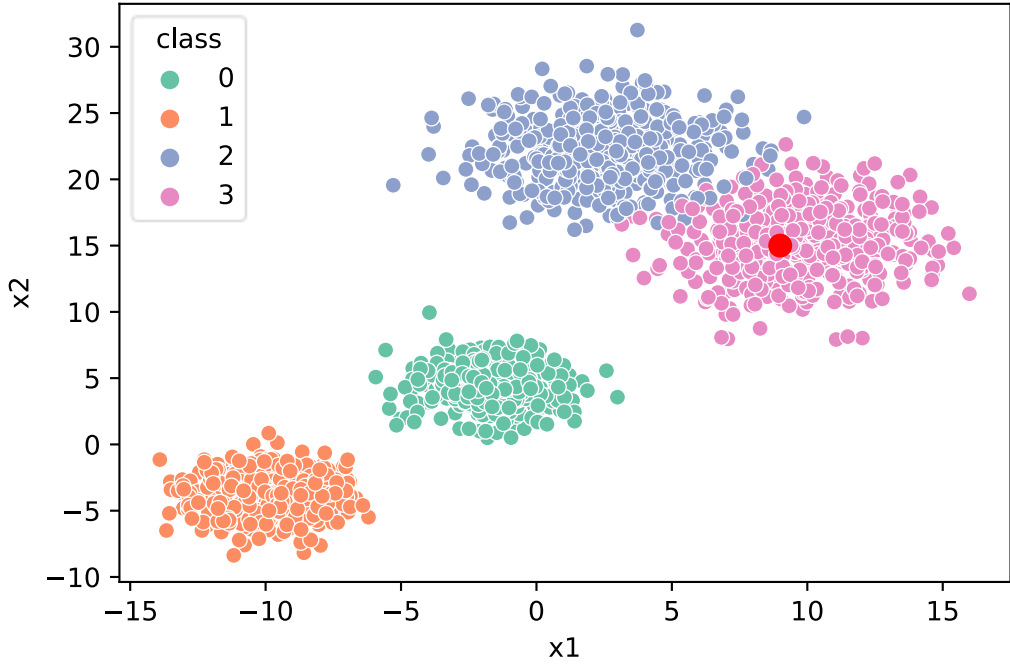
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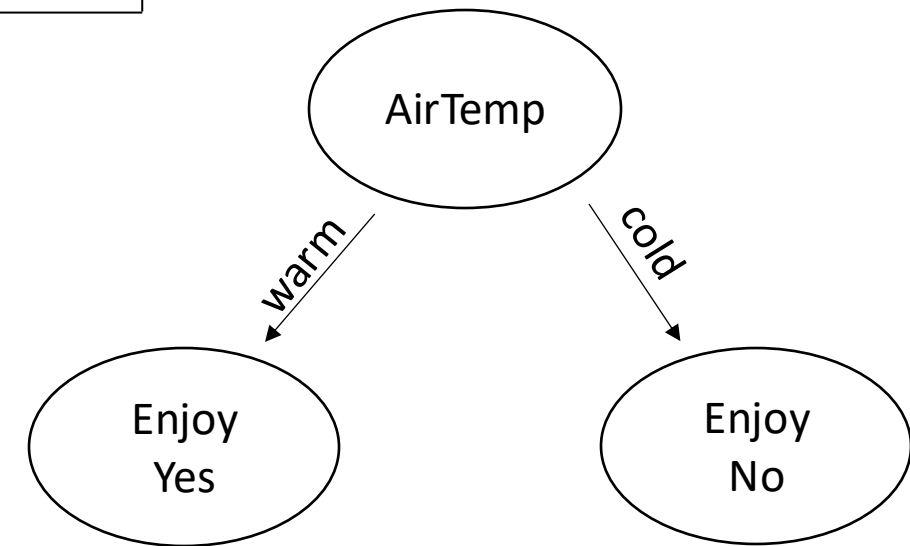
<https://github.com/sbobek/lux>

Decision trees

Outlook	AirTemp	Humidity	Windy	Water	Forecast	Enjoy
sunny	warm	normal	TRUE	warm	same	yes
sunny	warm	high	TRUE	warm	same	yes
rainy	cold	high	TRUE	warm	change	no
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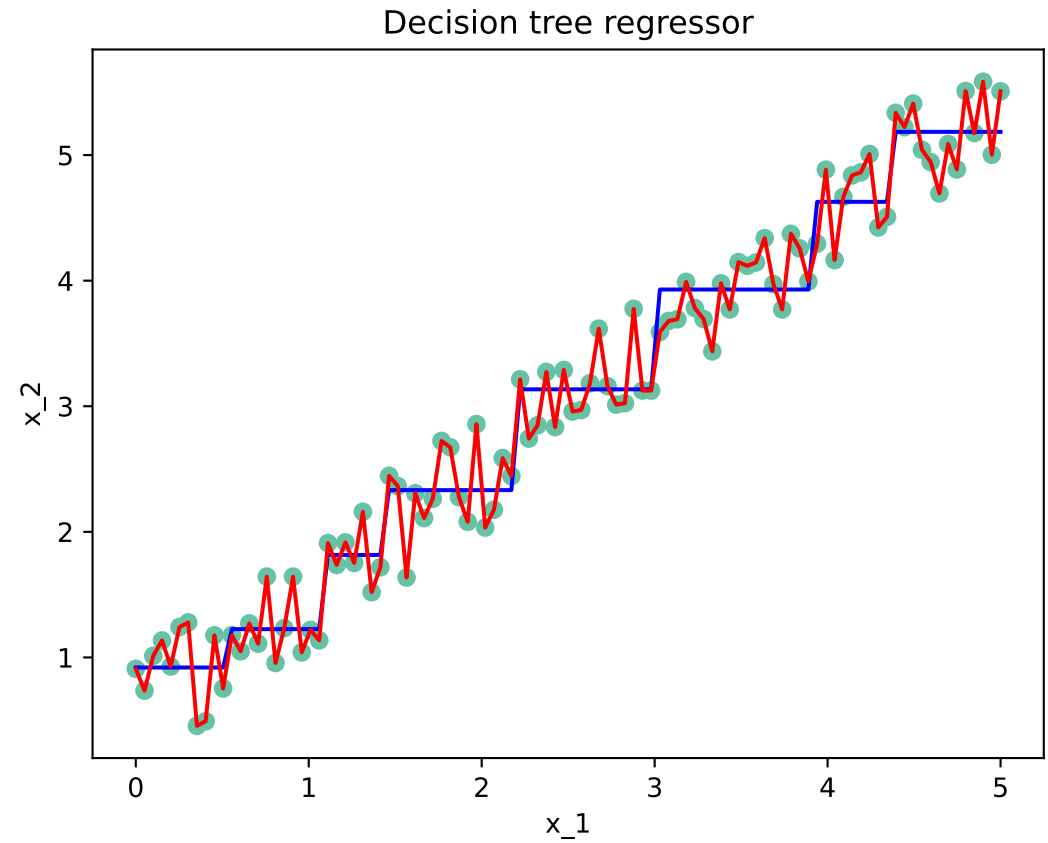
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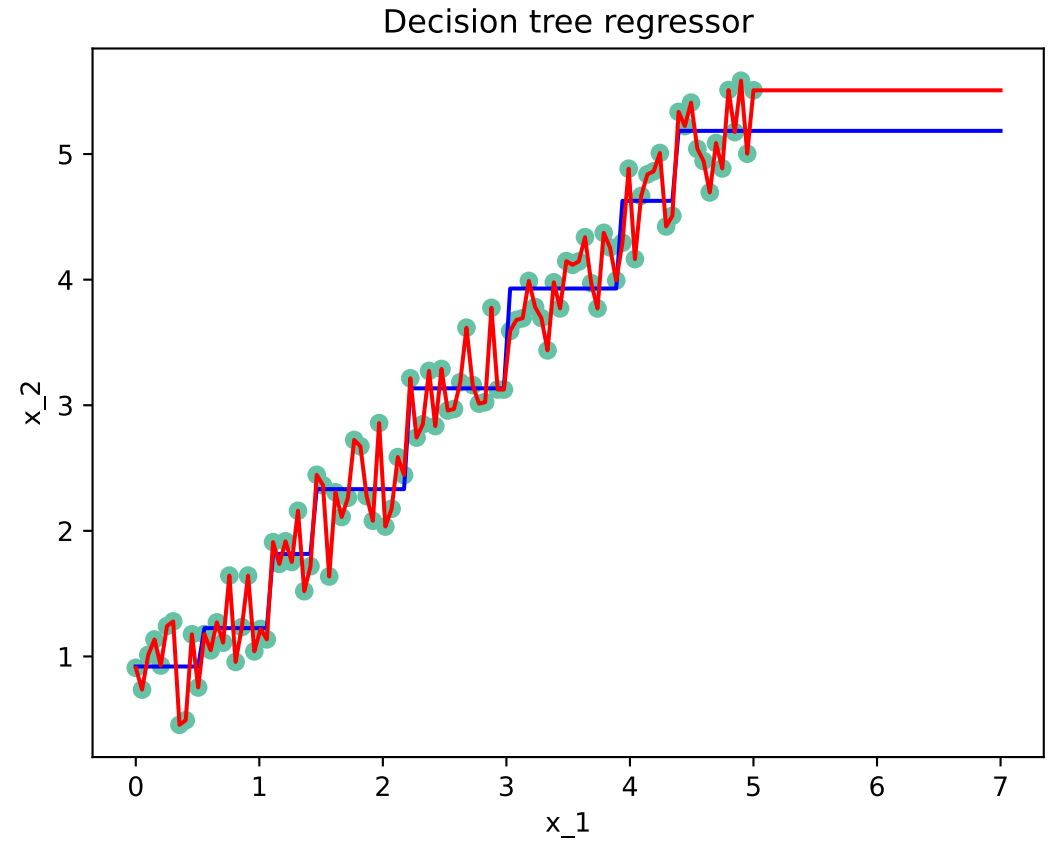
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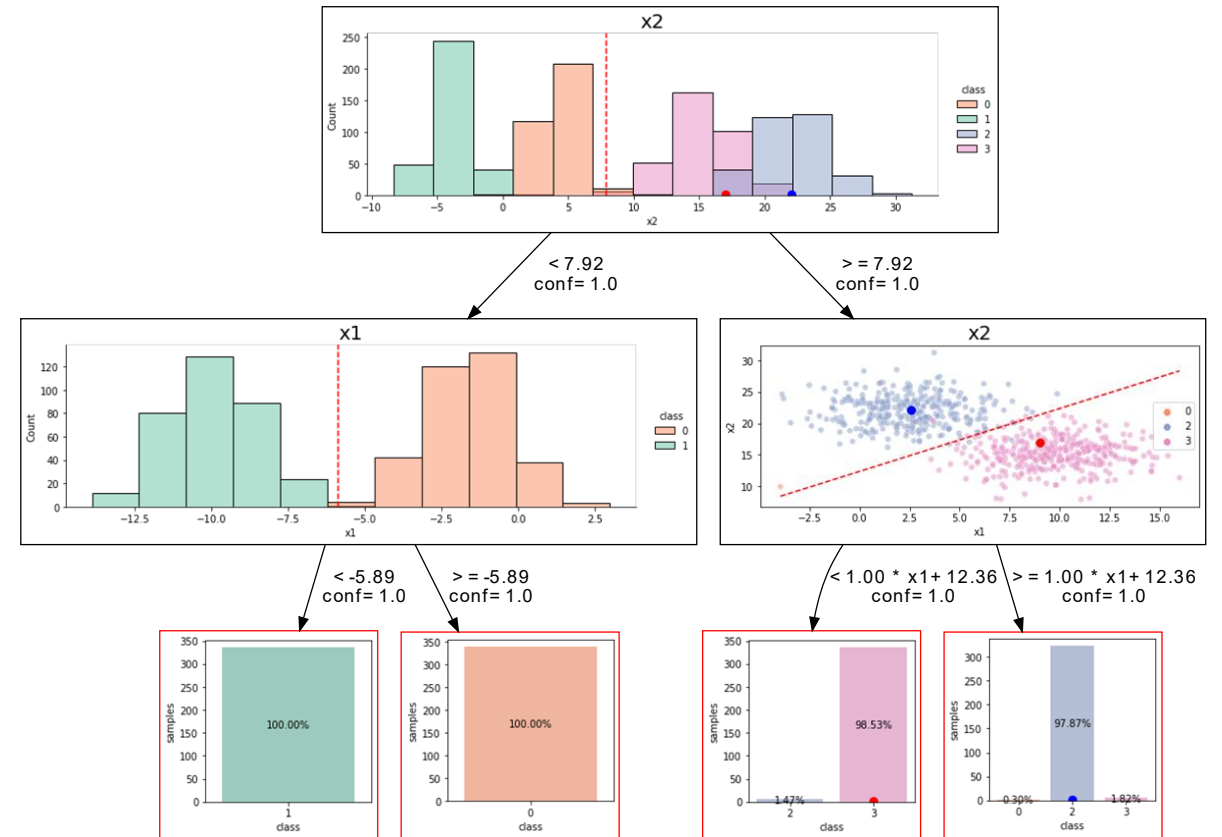
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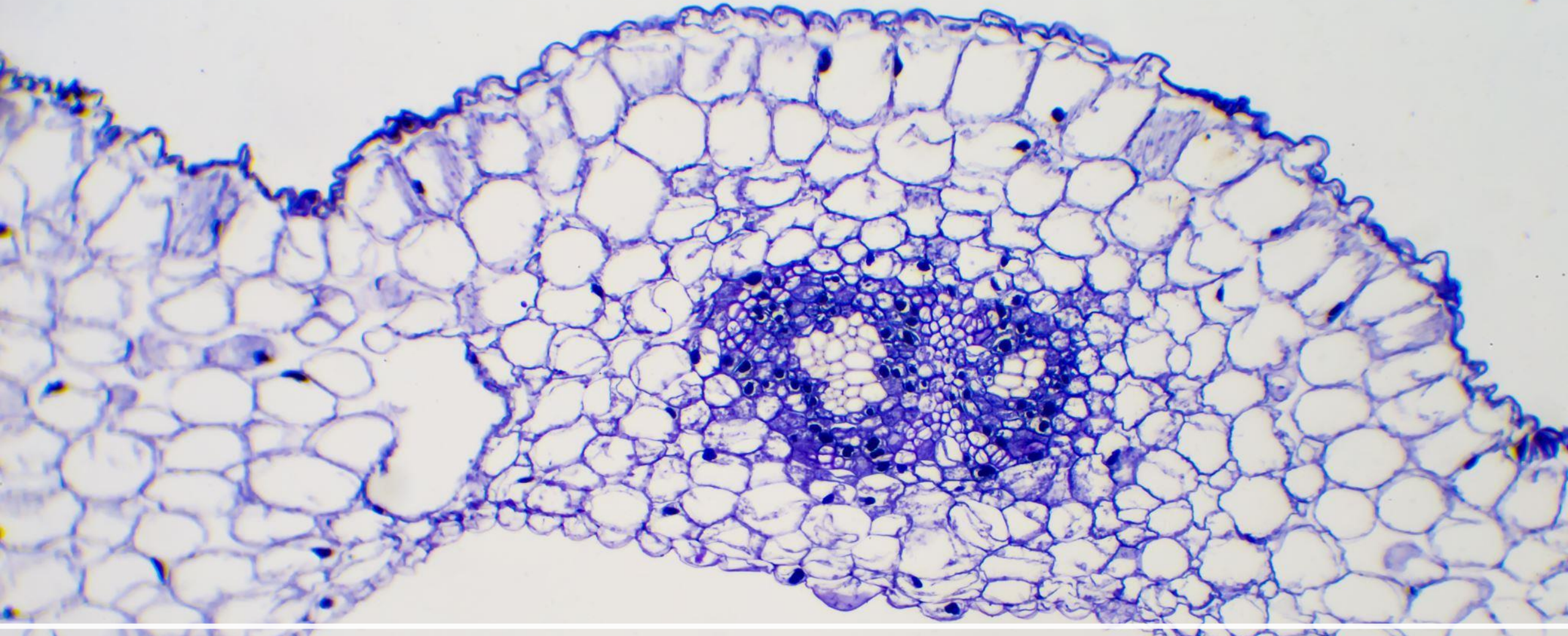
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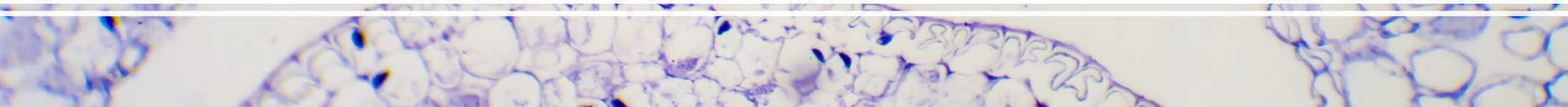
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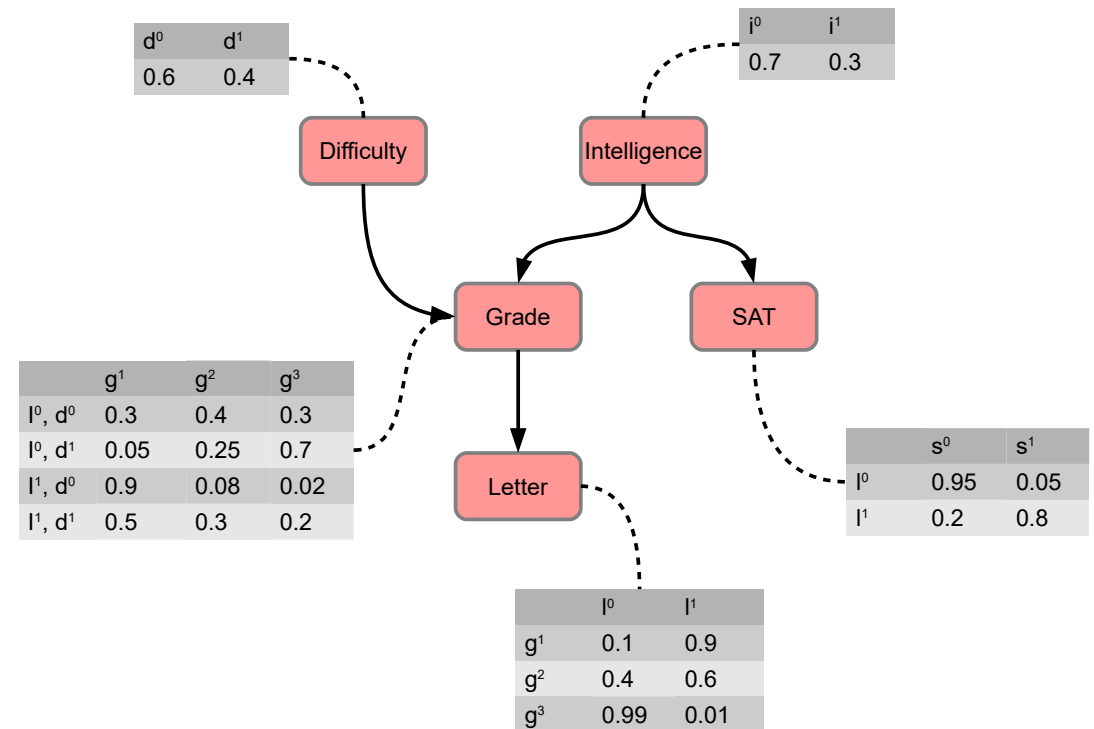


Probabilistic graphical models

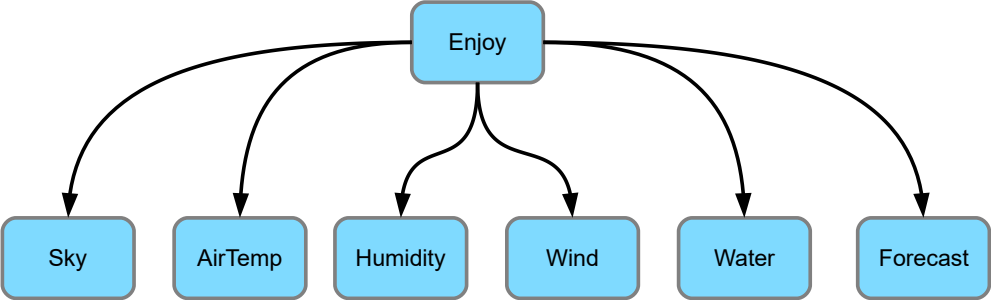


Probabilistic graphical models (PGM)

- Nodes represent variables
- Edges represent direct probabilistic interactions
- Different types of PGM
 - Bayesian networks – acyclic, directed graphs
 - Markov models – undirected graphs
- Easy incorporate domain knowledge
- Popular in causality modelling



Naive Bayes



Sky	AirTemp	Humidity	Wind	Water	Forecast	Enjoy
sunny	warm	normal	strong	warm	same	yes
sunny	warm	high	strong	warm	same	yes
rainy	cold	high	strong	warm	change	no
sunny	warm	high	strong	cool	change	no
cloudy	warm	normal	weak	warm	same	yes
cloudy	cold	high	weak	cool	same	no

- Conditional independence

$$P(Effect_1, \dots, Effect_n | Cause) = P(Effect_1 | Cause) \dots P(Effect_n | Cause)$$

- Bayes rule

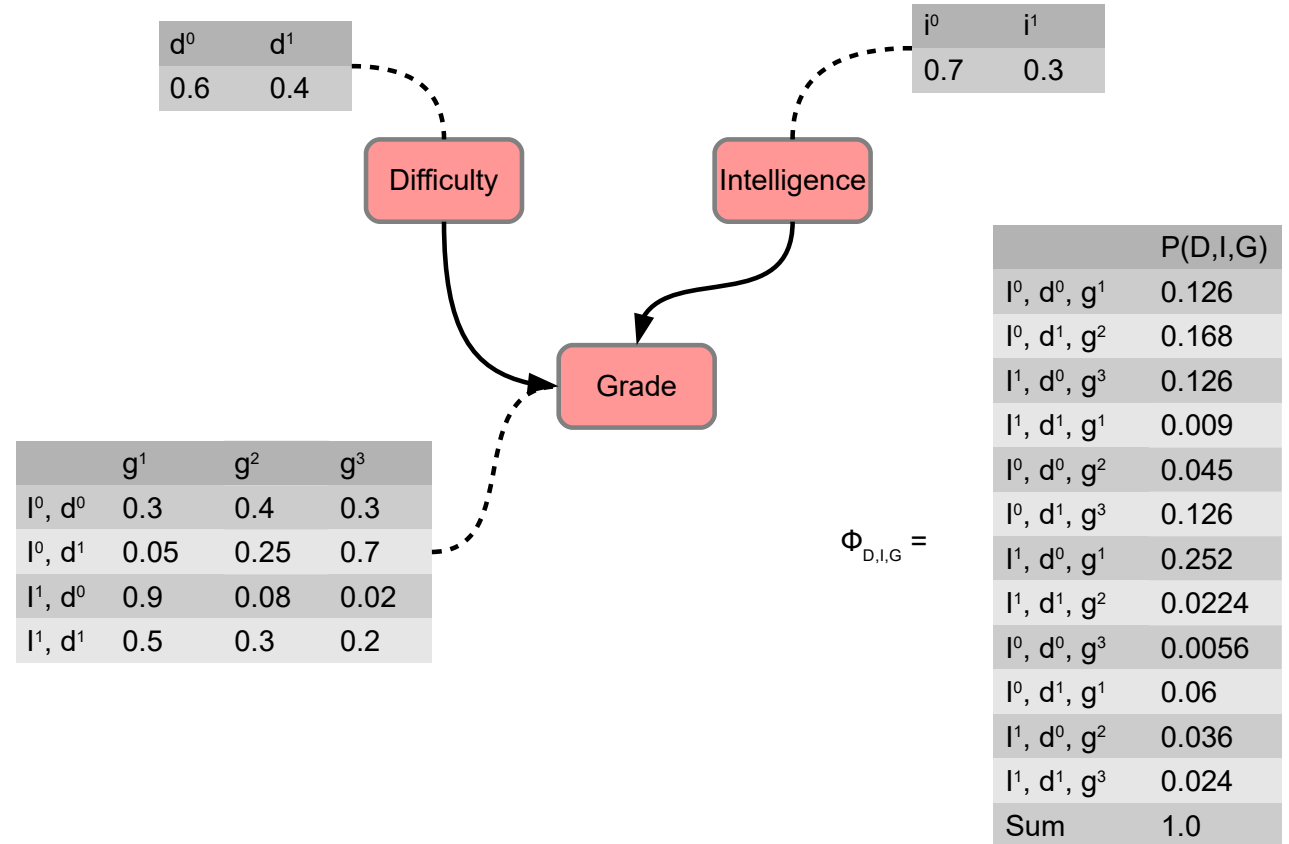
$$P(Cause | Effect_1, \dots, Effect_n) = \frac{P(Cause)P(Effect_1, \dots, Effect_n | Cause)}{P(Effect_1, \dots, Effect_n)}$$

- Naive Bayes

$$P(Cause | Effect_1, \dots, Effect_n) = \alpha P(Cause) \prod_i P(Effect_i | Cause)$$

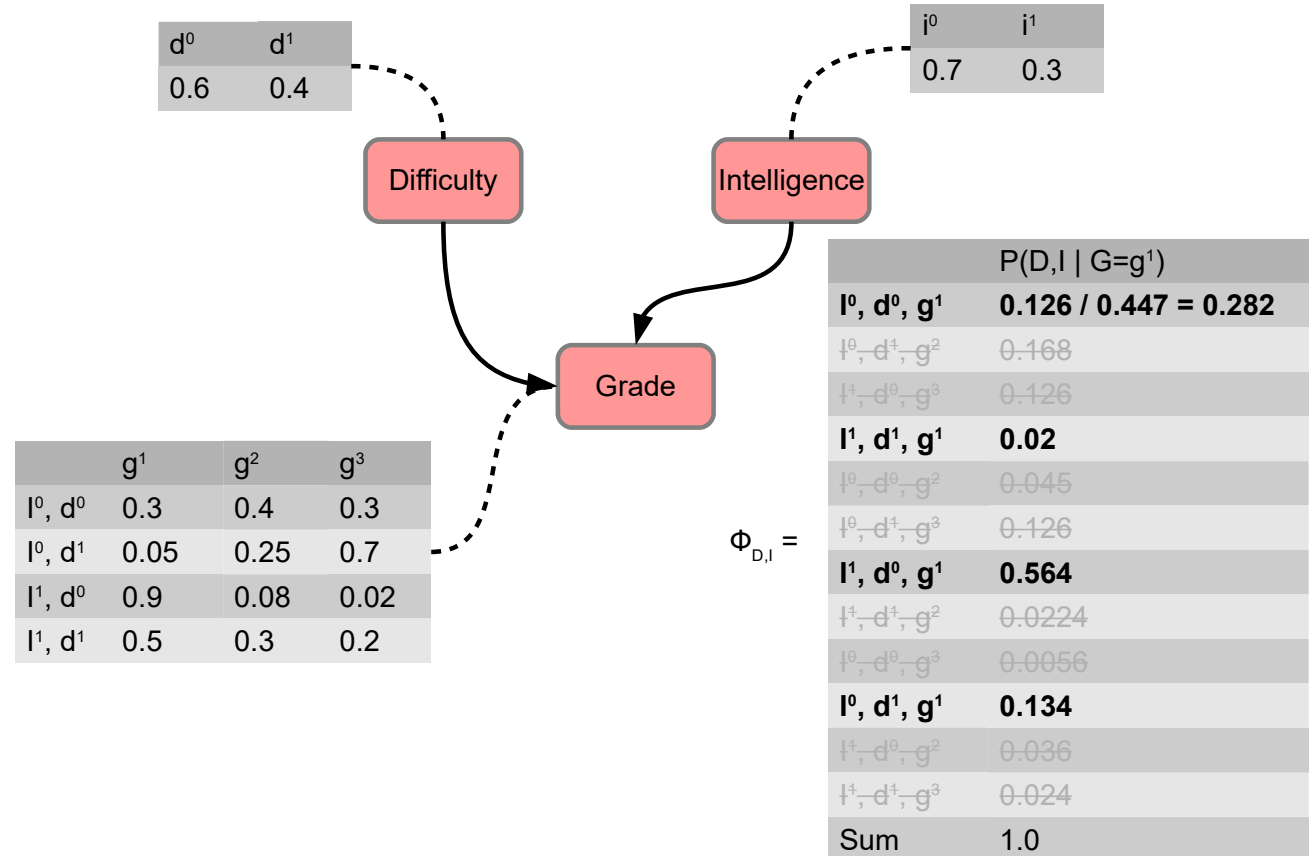
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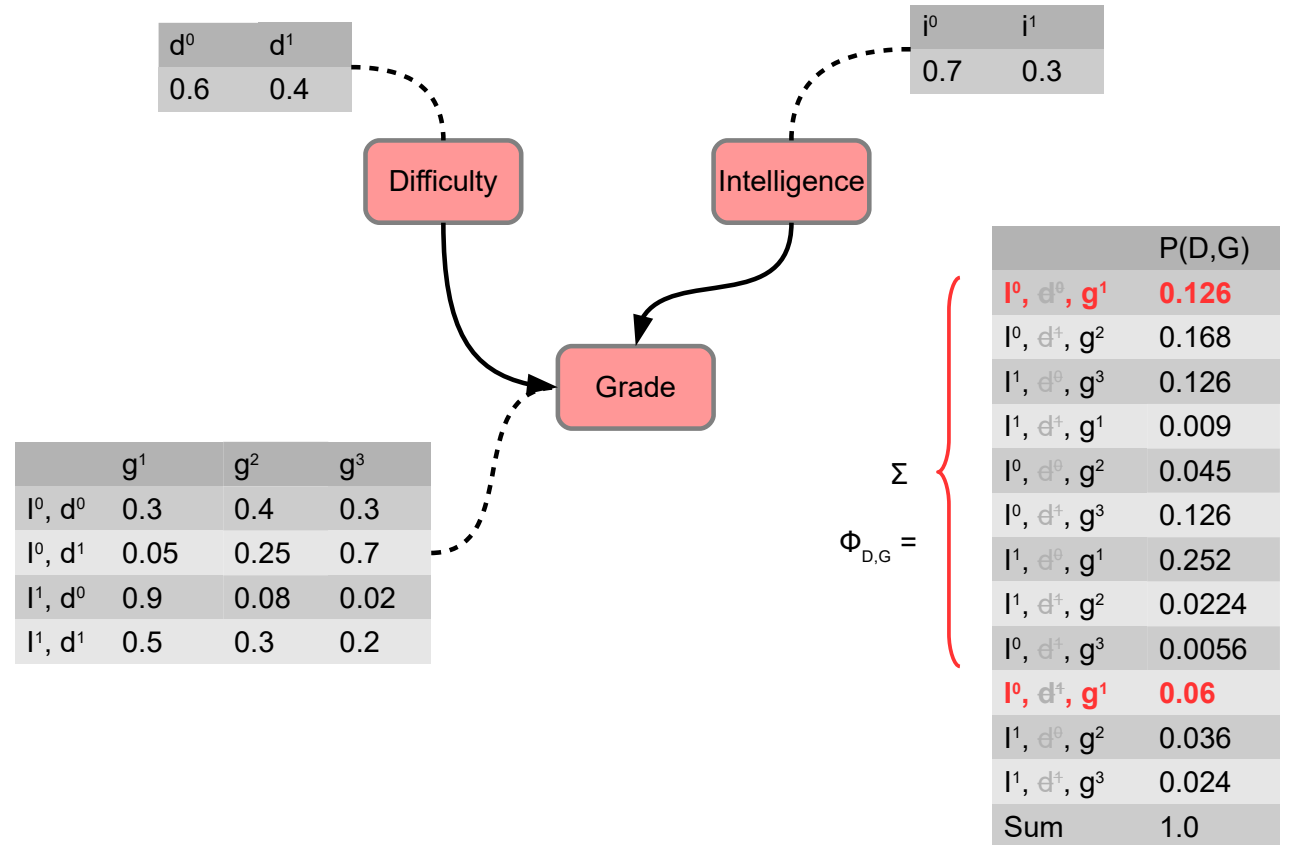
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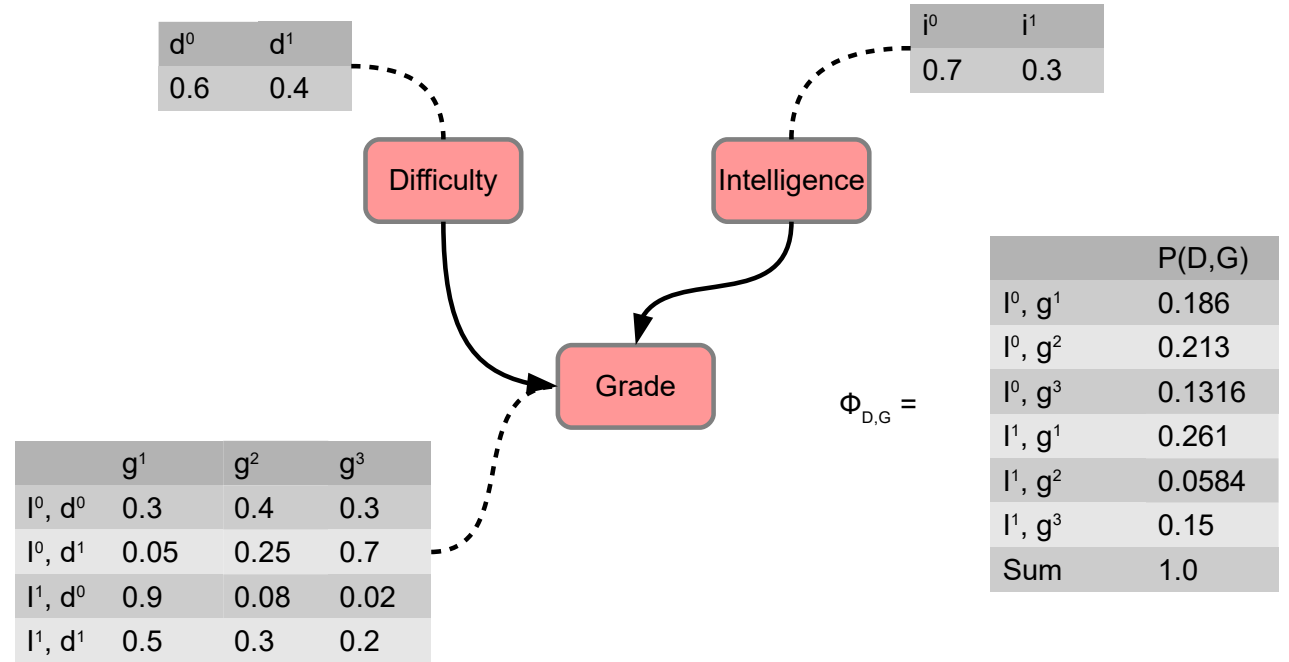
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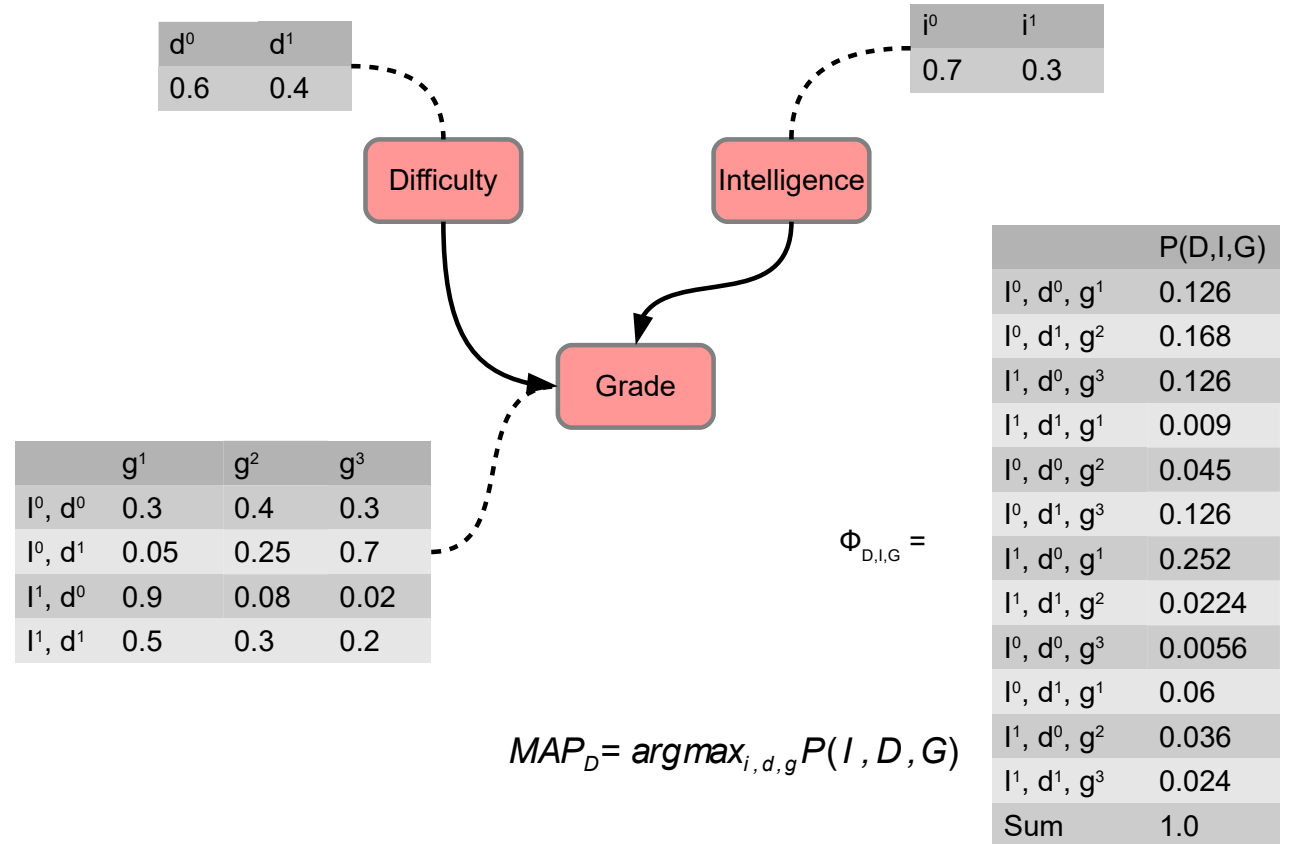


$\Phi_{D,G} =$

$$\sum_I P(I, D, G) = P(D, G)$$

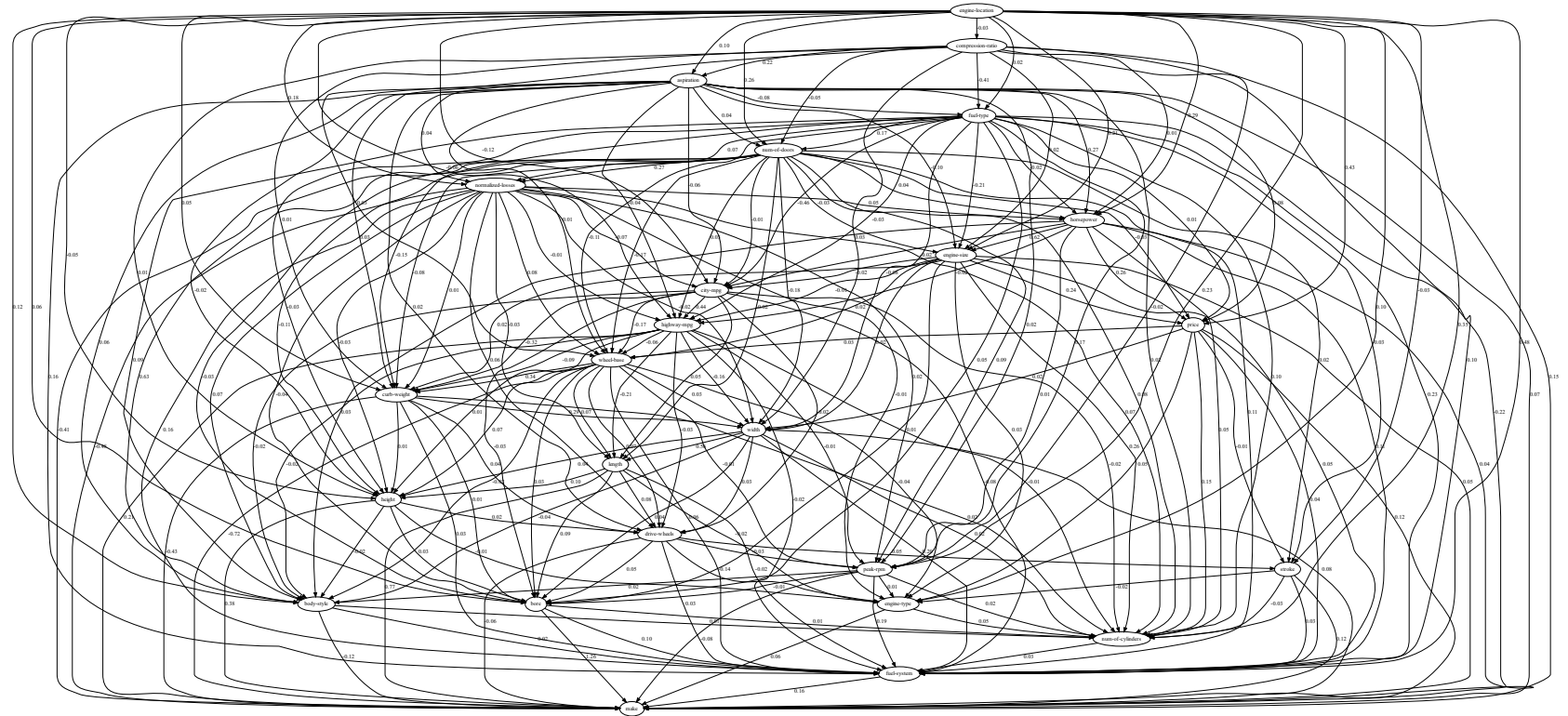
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Note: In real-life examples exact inference is not an option (usually). Additionally, we need tools that will help us learn the structure, learn CPODs, manage large networks, etc.

Tools for BN Learning and inference

- PGMPy
- CausalNEX
- DoWhy
- Pyro
- ProbLog
- ...

```
evidence(contains_word(money), true).
evidence(contains_word(discount), false).
evidence(contains_word(winner), false).
evidence(from_unknown_sender, true).
evidence(contains_attachment, false).
query(spam).
% Response:
% spam:    0.216
% There's a 21.6% chance that emails with
% these features is a spam
```

```
0.2::spam.
0.4::contains_word(money) :- spam.
0.5::contains_word(discount) :- spam.
0.7::contains_word(winner) :- spam.
0.3::from_unknown_sender :- spam.
0.1::contains_attachment :- spam.

0.6::contains_word(money) :- not(spam).
0.5::contains_word(discount) :- not(spam).
0.3::contains_word(winner) :- not(spam).
0.7::from_unknown_sender :- not(spam).
0.9::contains_attachment :- not(spam).
```

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
train test = train_test_split(discretised_data, train_size=0.9, test_size=0.1, random_state=7)
bn = bn.fit_node_states(discretised_data)
bn = bn.fit_cpds(train, method="BayesianEstimator", bayes_prior="K2")

from causalnex.inference import InferenceEngine
ie = InferenceEngine(bn)
marginals_short = ie.query({"studytime": "short-studytime"})
marginals_long = ie.query({"studytime": "long-studytime"})
print("Marginal G1 | Short Studytime", marginals_short["G1"])
print("Marginal G1 | Long Studytime", marginals_long["G1"])
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```

```
Marginal G1 | Short Studytime {'Fail': 0.2776556433482524, 'Pass': 0.7223443566517477}
Marginal G1 | Long Studytime {'Fail': 0.15504850337837614, 'Pass':
```

Thank you for your attention!



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