



Machine Learning

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Intelligence?

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Intelligence

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Intelligence (/ˈɪntɛlɪˈdʒəns/) has been defined in many ways: the capacity for [abstraction](#), [logic](#), [understanding](#), [self-awareness](#), [learning](#), [emotional knowledge](#), [reasoning](#), [planning](#), [creativity](#), [critical thinking](#), and [problem-solving](#). It can be described as the ability to perceive or infer [information](#) and to retain it as [knowledge](#) to be applied to adaptive behaviors within an environment or context.^[1]

Part of a series on

Psychology



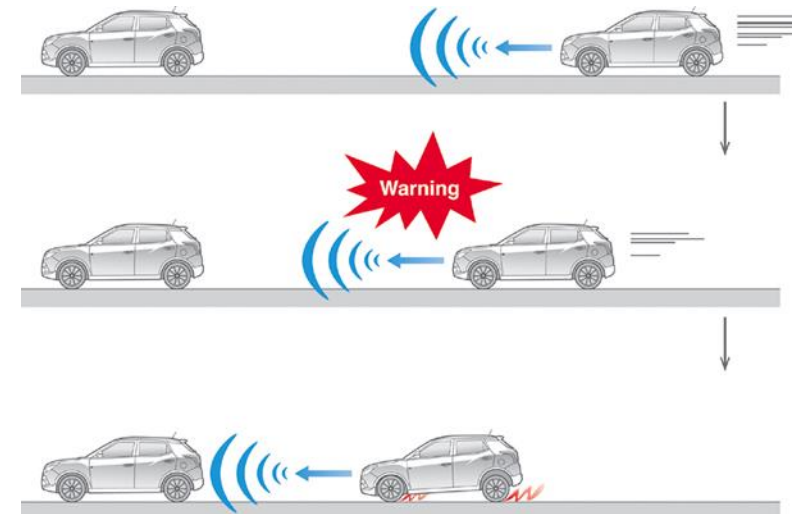
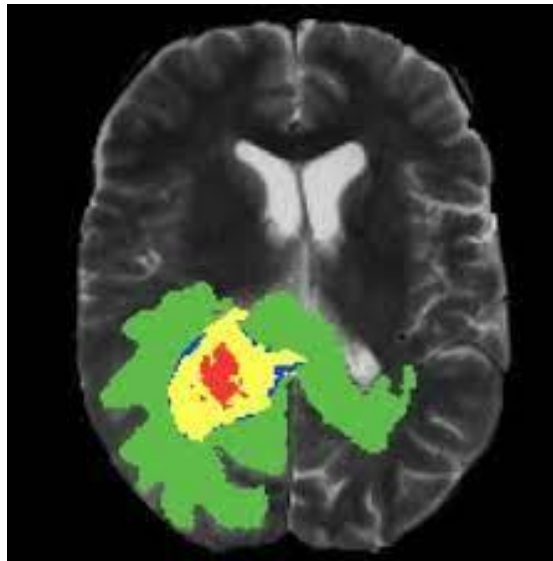
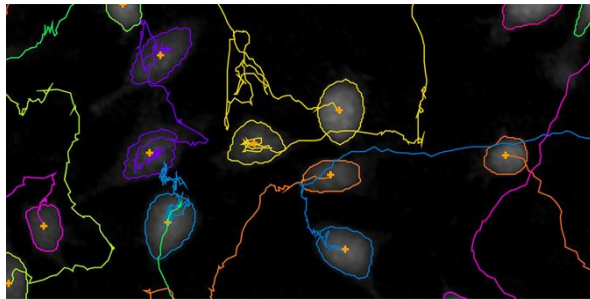
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Intelligence is the cognitive capacity to learn, understand, apply knowledge, and adapt to new situations. It encompasses abilities like logic, abstract thinking, problem-solving, and self-awareness

Natural intelligence: displayed by animals and some humans



Artificial intelligence: displayed by machines



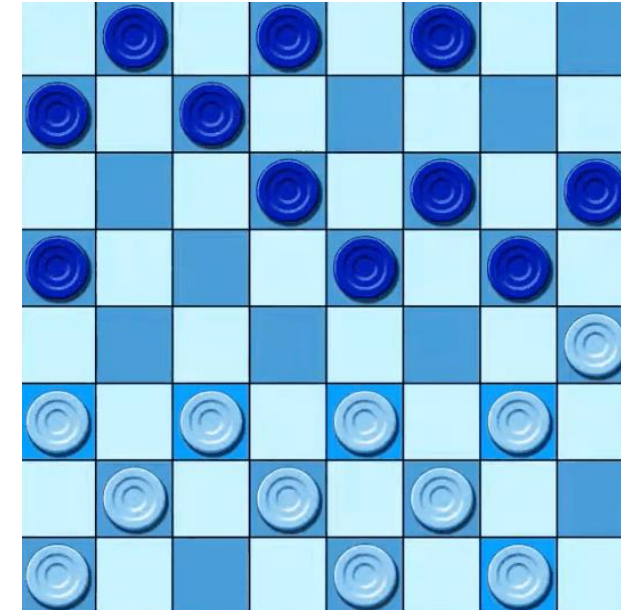
Learning

- The acquisition of knowledge or skills through study, experience, or being taught – *Oxford English Dictionary*
- Memory
- Repetition
- Improvement
- Understanding



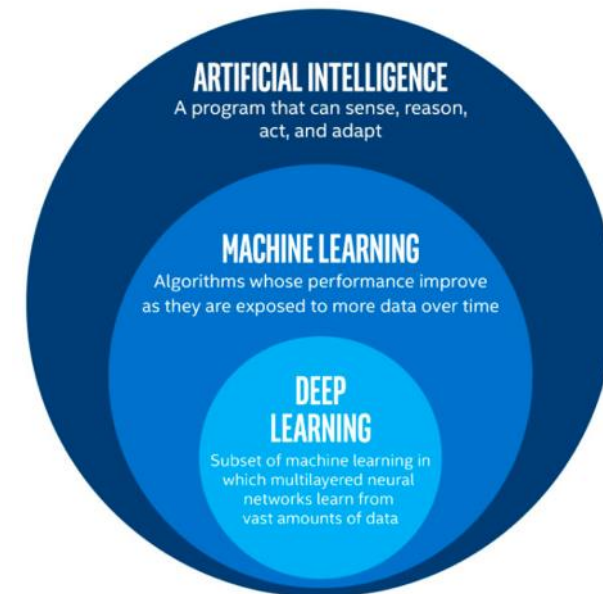
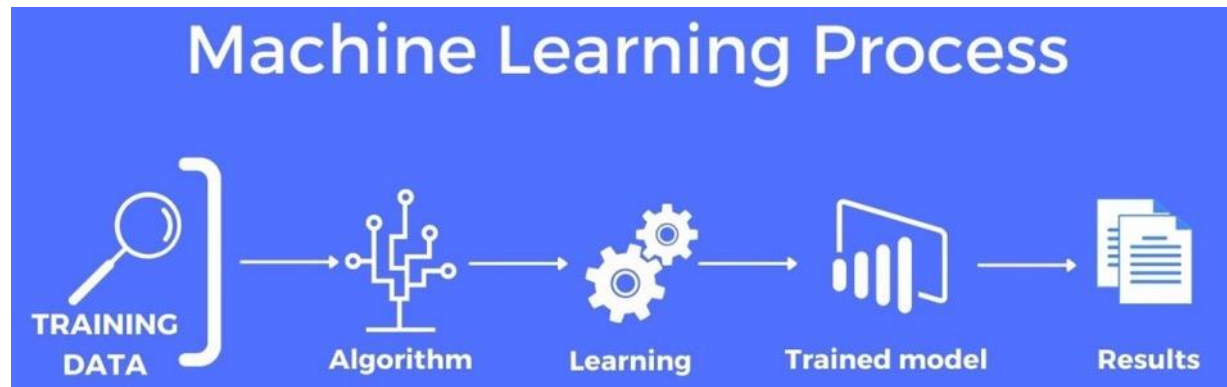
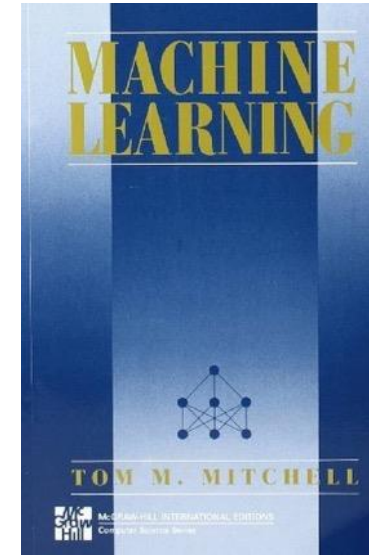
Machine learning

- Arthur Samuel in 1959: Computer that plays checkers that improves with experience
- Mini-max algorithm with alpha-beta pruning
- Rote learning: news inputs were compared with previously stored input-output pairs, amplifying the search depth of the tree
- Machine learning: “Field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed”



Machine learning

- “A computer program is said to learn from experience **E** with respect to some class of tasks **T** and performance measure **P**, if its performance at tasks in **T**, as measured by **P**, improves with experience **E**” – Tom Mitchell 1997



Computation

- Systematic approach to manipulate data
- Observations → from qualitative to quantitative descriptions
- Computer: machine that performs logical and arithmetic operations following instructions – programmable
- Algorithm: sequence of well-defined instructions



Data

- Data is represented by numbers $\rightarrow D$ dimensional vectors

Features

Height	Weight
178	77
186	82
168	66

Observations

$D = 2$

$N = 3$

$$x^1 = [178, 77]$$
$$x^2 = [186, 82]$$
$$x^3 = [168, 66]$$

$D = 3$

m^2	n rooms	year
80	2	2014
75	3	1987
92	3	1999
130	4	2005

$N = 4$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 80 & 2 & 2014 \\ 75 & 3 & 1987 \\ 92 & 3 & 1999 \\ 130 & 4 & 2005 \end{bmatrix}$$

4x3 matrix

$D = 5$

x_1	x_2	x_3	x_4	x_5
0.01	0.41	0.78	0.93	0.53
0.86	0.09	0.61	0.07	0.39
0.22	0.02	0.54	0.47	0.80
0.28	0.30	0.56	0.73	0.64
0.42	0.66	0.76	0.04	0.24

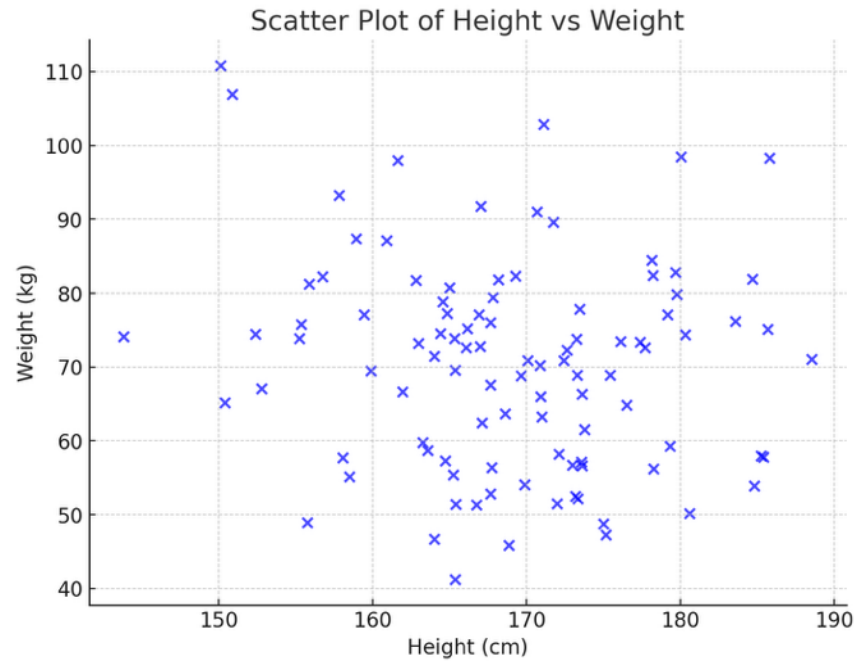
$N = 5$

$x_i^j \rightarrow i$ th feature of the j th observation

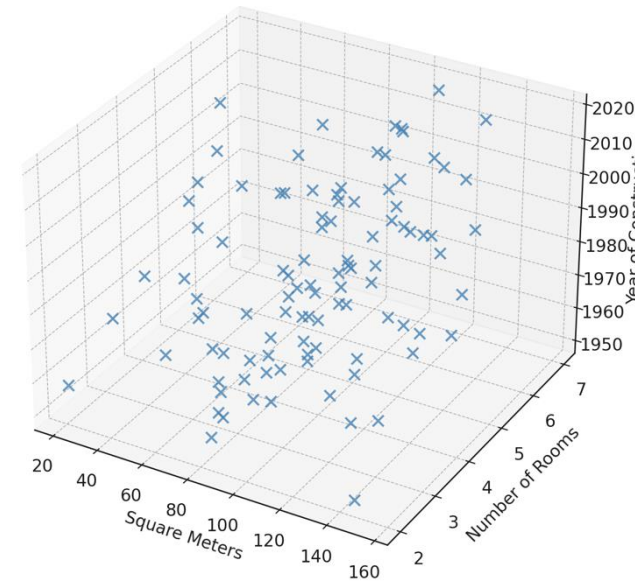
Dataset $\rightarrow$ Set of all observations

Data representation

- Each observation is represented by a point in the dimension of the feature space



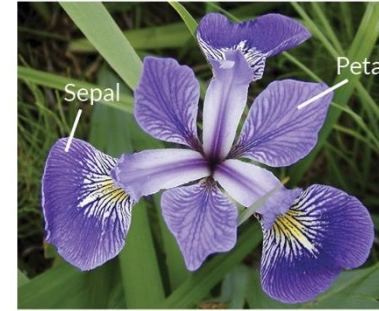
3D Scatter Plot of Houses (No Colorbar, Larger Points)



Euclidean distance $\rightarrow d(p, q) = \sqrt{(p_1 - q_1)^2 + (p_2 - q_2)^2 + \cdots + (p_n - q_n)^2}.$

Example: Iris dataset

Id	SepalLengthCm	SepalWidthCm	PetalLengthCm	PetalWidthCm	Species
1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
2	4.9	3	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
3	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	Iris-setosa
4	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
5	5	3.6	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
6	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	Iris-setosa
7	4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	Iris-setosa
8	5	3.4	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
9	4.4	2.9	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
10	4.9	3.1	1.5	0.1	Iris-setosa
11	5.4	3.7	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
12	4.8	3.4	1.6	0.2	Iris-setosa
13	4.8	3	1.4	0.1	Iris-setosa
14	4.3	3	1.1	0.1	Iris-setosa
15	5.8	4	1.2	0.2	Iris-setosa
16	5.7	4.4	1.5	0.4	Iris-setosa
17	5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	Iris-setosa
18	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.3	Iris-setosa
19	5.7	3.8	1.7	0.3	Iris-setosa



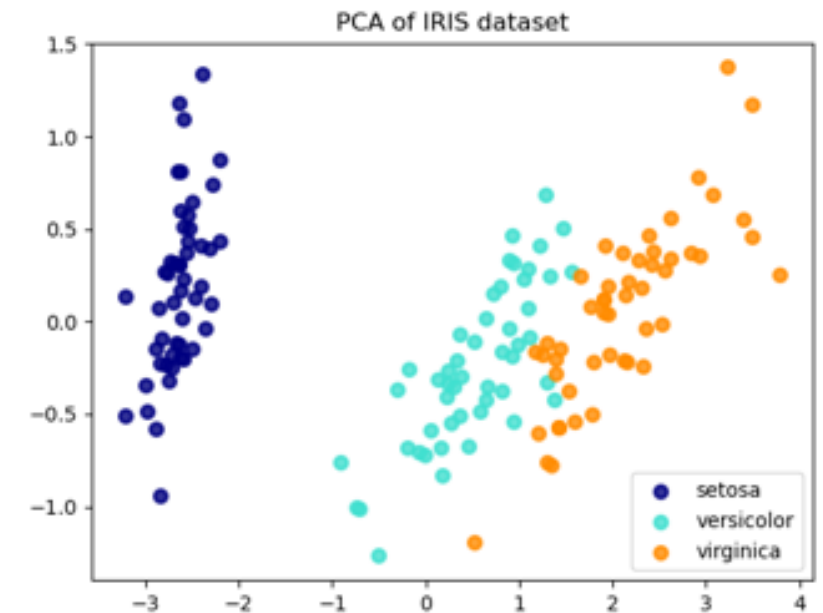
Iris Versicolor



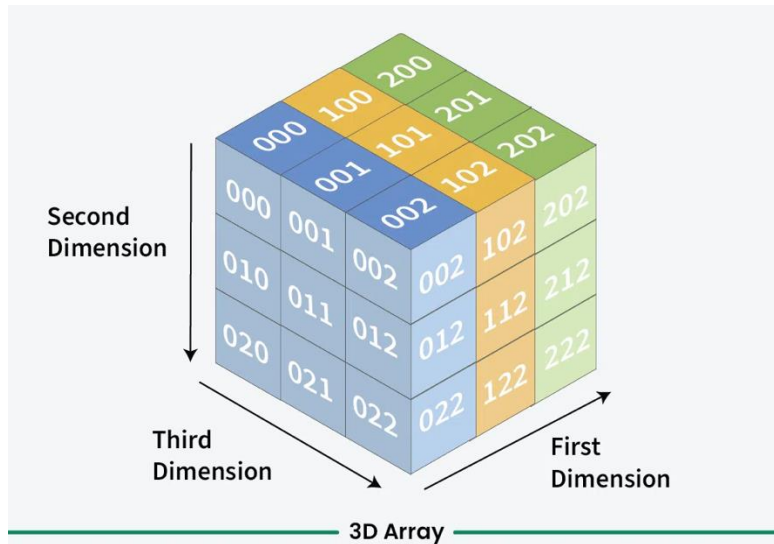
Iris Setosa



Iris Virginica

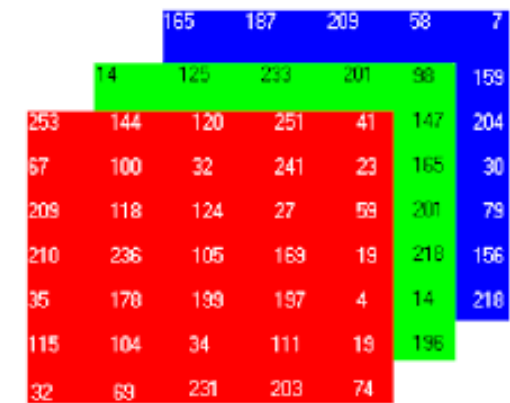
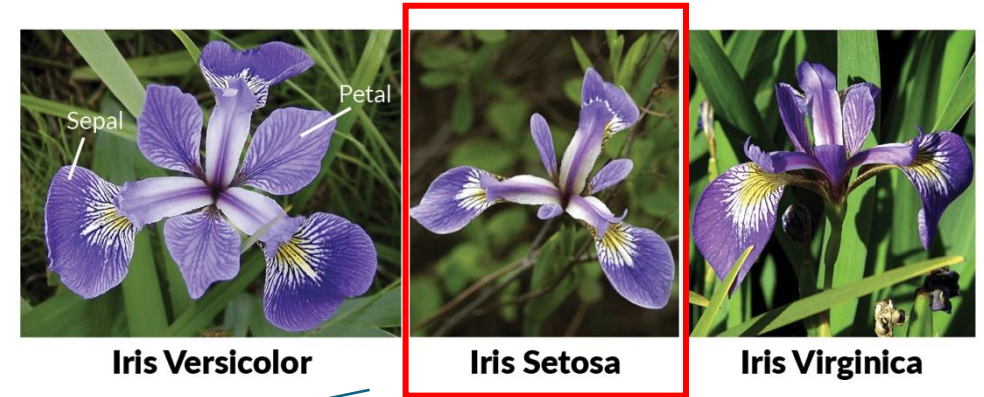


Example: Iris dataset



Tensor

$X_1 = [0.99, 0.64, 0.83, 0.37, 0.56, 0.92, 0.90, 0.58, 0.27, 0.09, \dots]$



RGB

Data representation



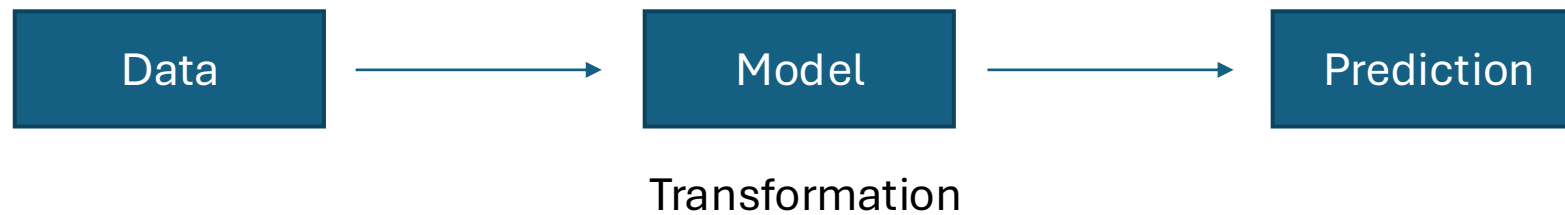
→	1	3	4	8	0
→	0	4	12	20	1

Labels

	Pointy ears	Eye separation	Snout length	Mouth width	Label
→	yes	3cm	4cm	8cm	Cat
→	no	4cm	12cm	20cm	Dog

Predictions from data

- A model applies a transformation to the input data to generate a prediction



m^2	n rooms	year
80	2	2014
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92	3	1999
130	4	2005

Model of house price

$$price = 100 \cdot m^2 + 5000 \cdot n \text{ rooms} + 5 \cdot year + 10000$$

Predictions from data

$$f(m^2, n \text{ rooms}, \text{year}) \rightarrow f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$$

Regression: prediction of a continuous value

(cat and dog feature representation)

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \rightarrow f: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$$

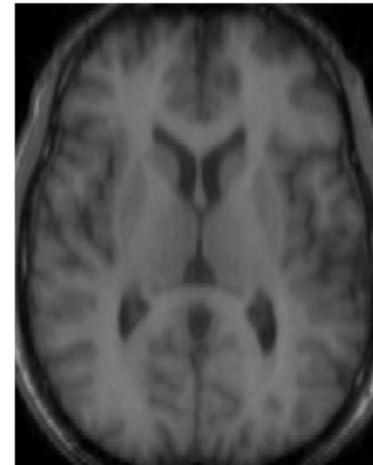
Classification: prediction of a discrete category

(cat and dog image representation)

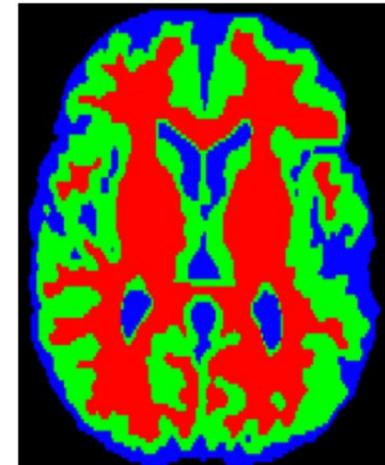
$$f(P) \rightarrow f: \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times 3} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$$

Brain tissue segmentation

$$f(P) \rightarrow f: \mathbb{R}^{H \times W} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C}$$



(a) Axial slice



(b) Tissue segmentation

How do we come up with the correct model?

- How can we find the transformation that for a given input returns the correct output?



Model



Cat



Model



Dog



- We assume there exists a true underlying function $F: X \rightarrow Y$
- We use available data + algorithms to approximate it $F' \approx F$



$\begin{bmatrix} RBC \\ HB \\ HCT \\ WBC \\ MCV \\ \dots \end{bmatrix}$

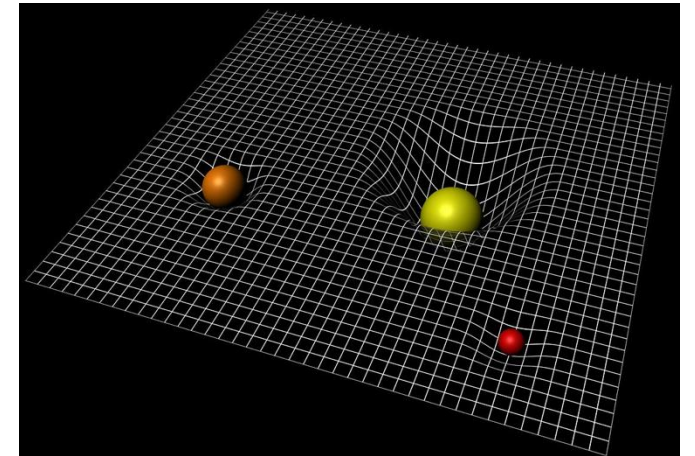
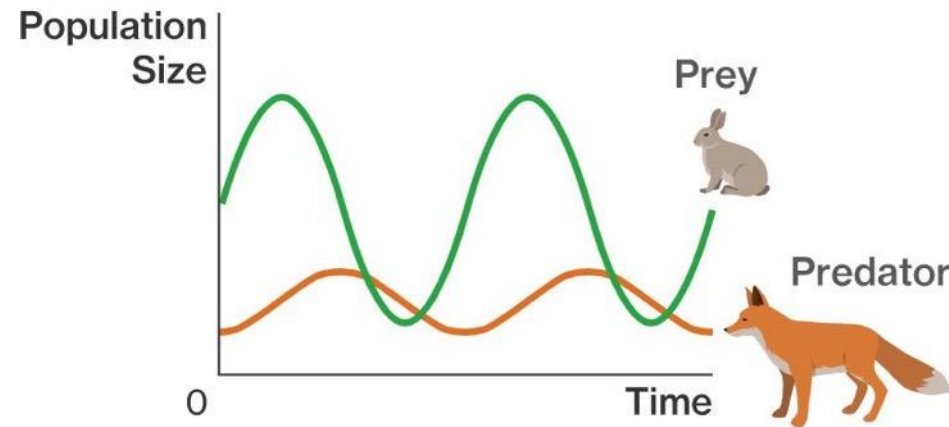
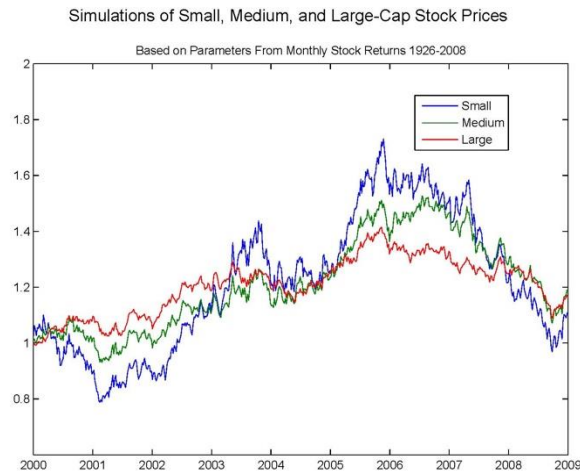
Leukemia or healthy?



Katy Perry or Miley Cyrus?

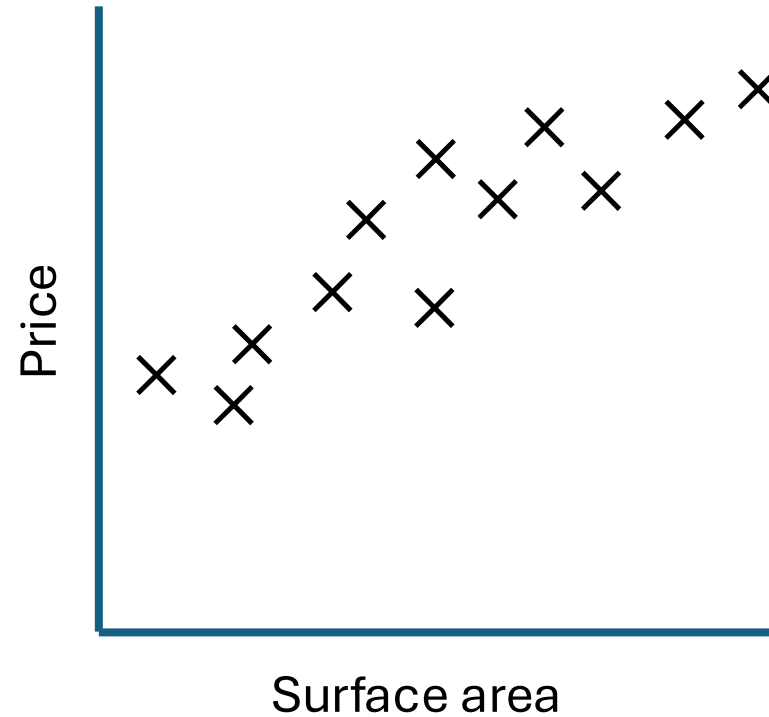
Modeling

- A mathematical model is a formal description of how a system behaves
- We usually make assumptions about this behavior
- Mathematical models are described by functions



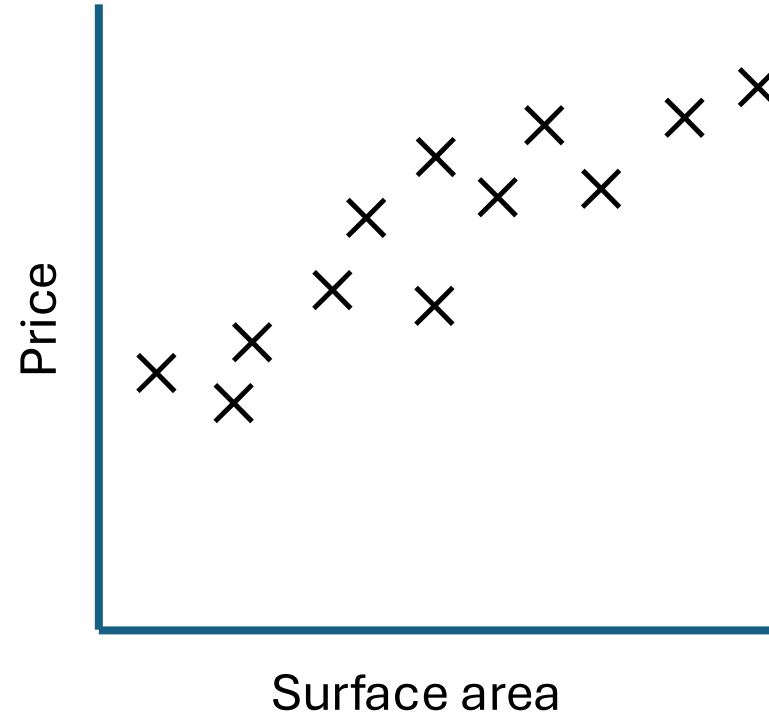
House price model

- A model to predict the price of a house based on its surface area in square meters
- Linear model: $y = ax + b$
- How do we find a and b ?
- We will use the observations
- Iterative process

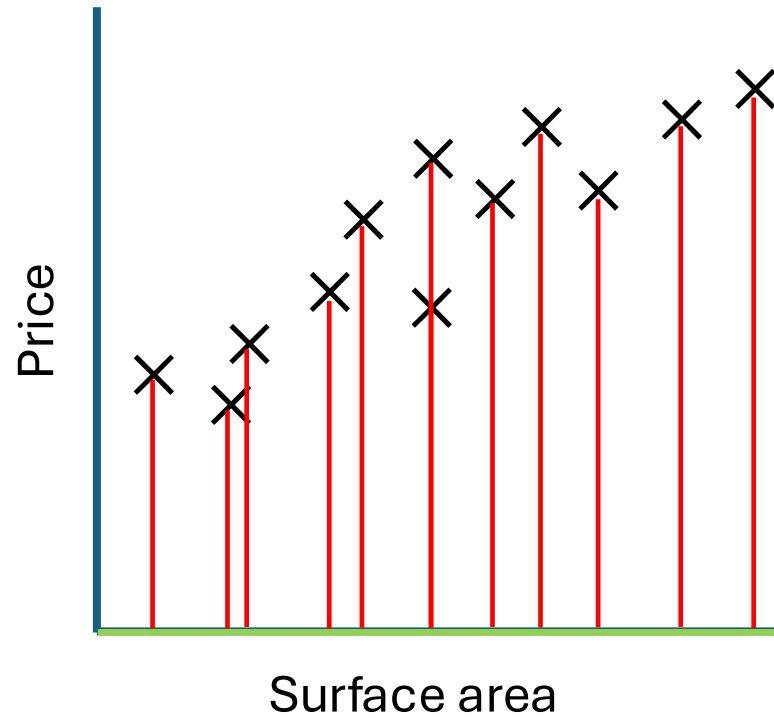


House price model

1. Initial guess: $a = 0$, $b = 0$
2. Compute the error of the model
3. Slightly increase or decrease the value of a such that the error of the new model is lower
4. Do the same for b
5. Repeat step 2 until the error no longer decreases

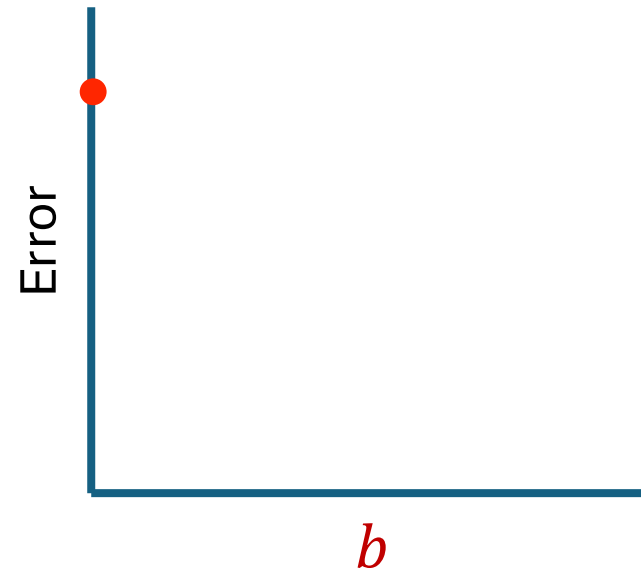
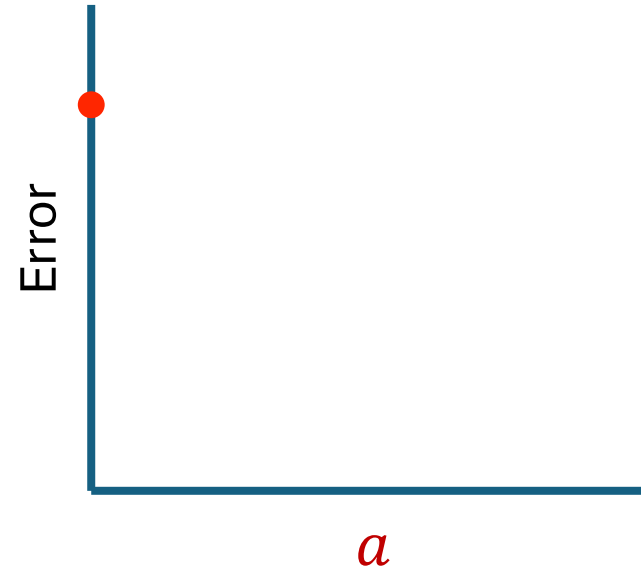


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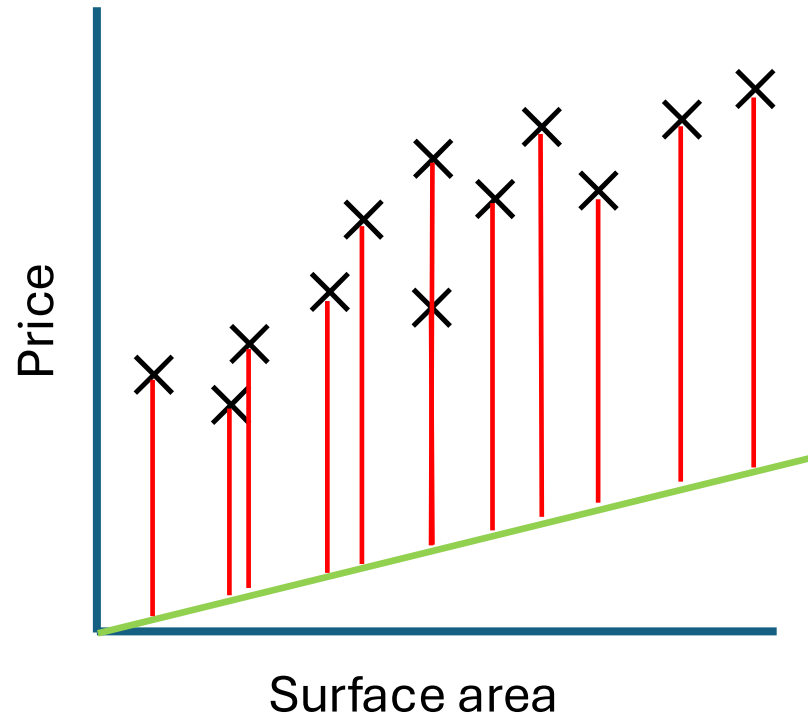


$$\hat{y} = ax + b$$

$$Error(MSE) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

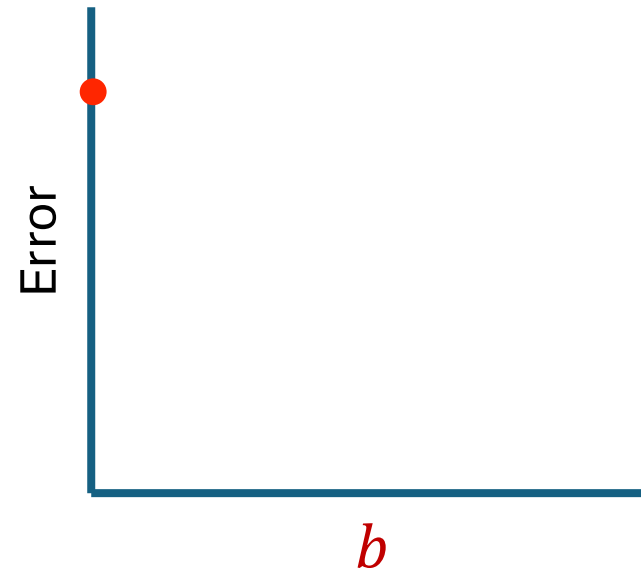
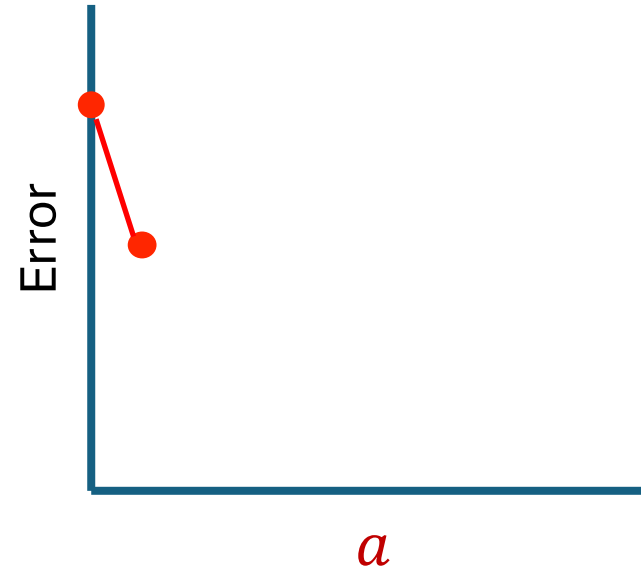


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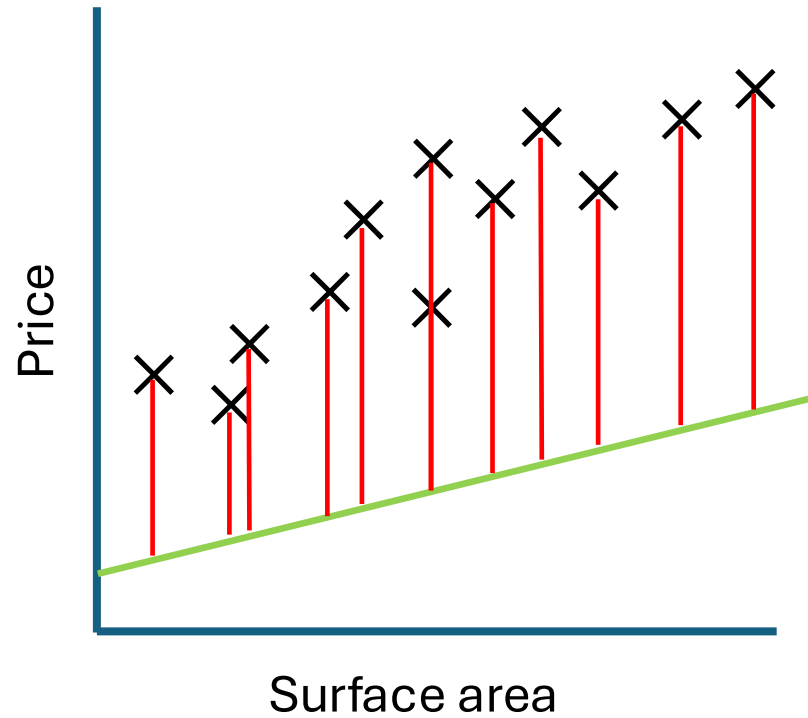


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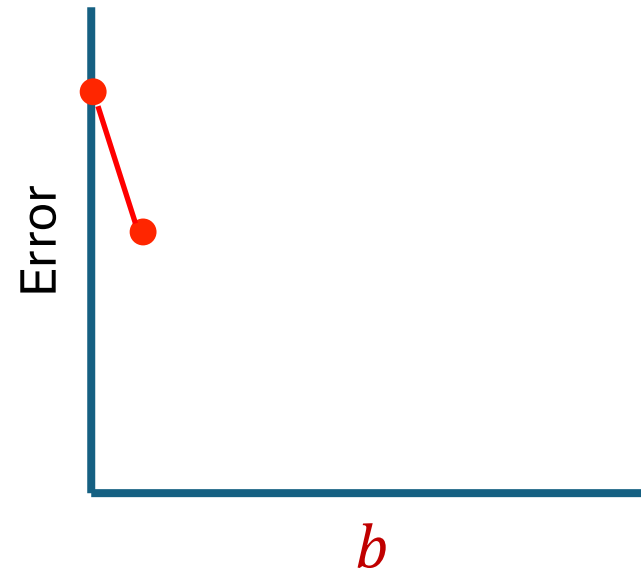
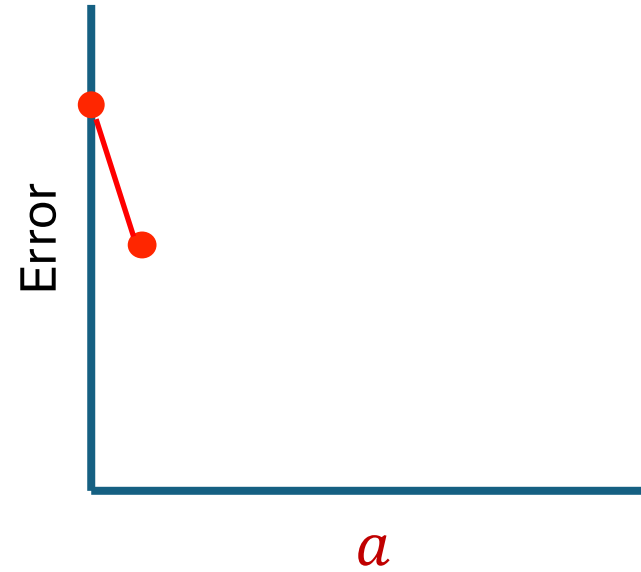


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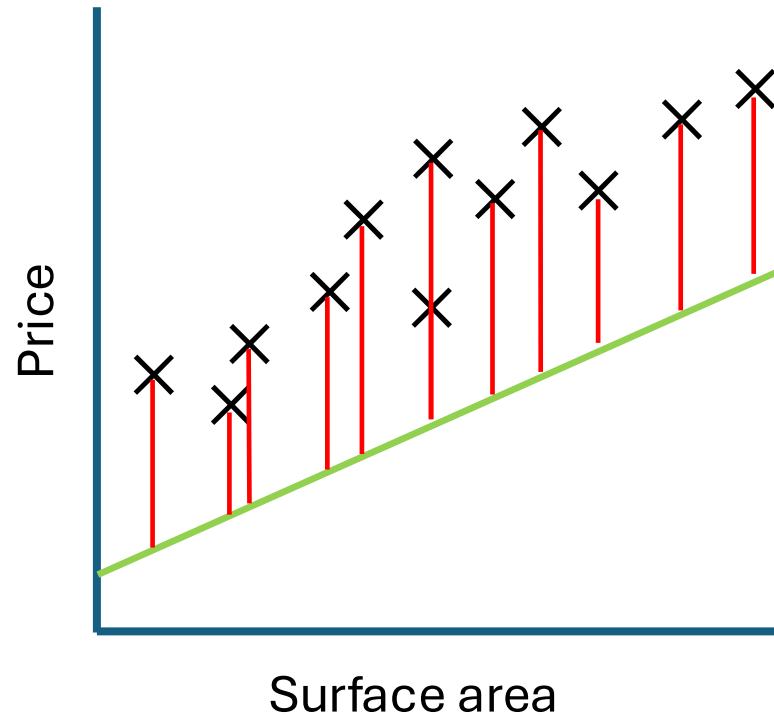


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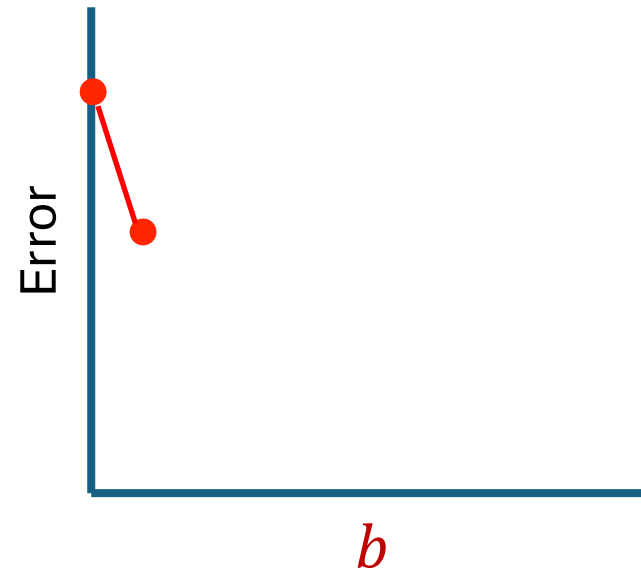
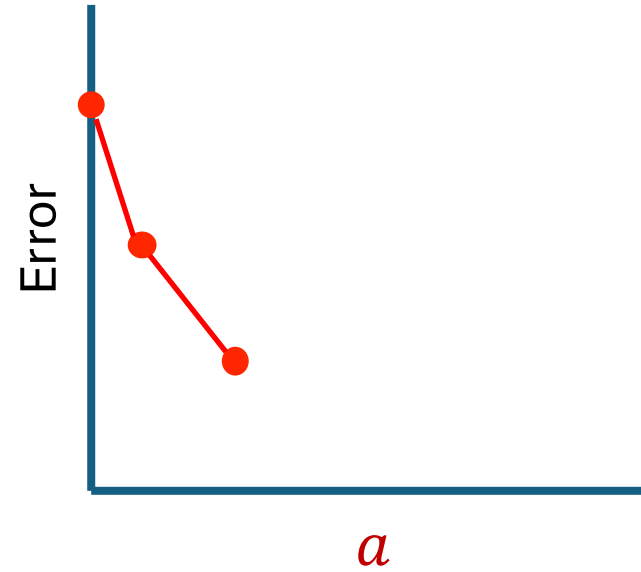


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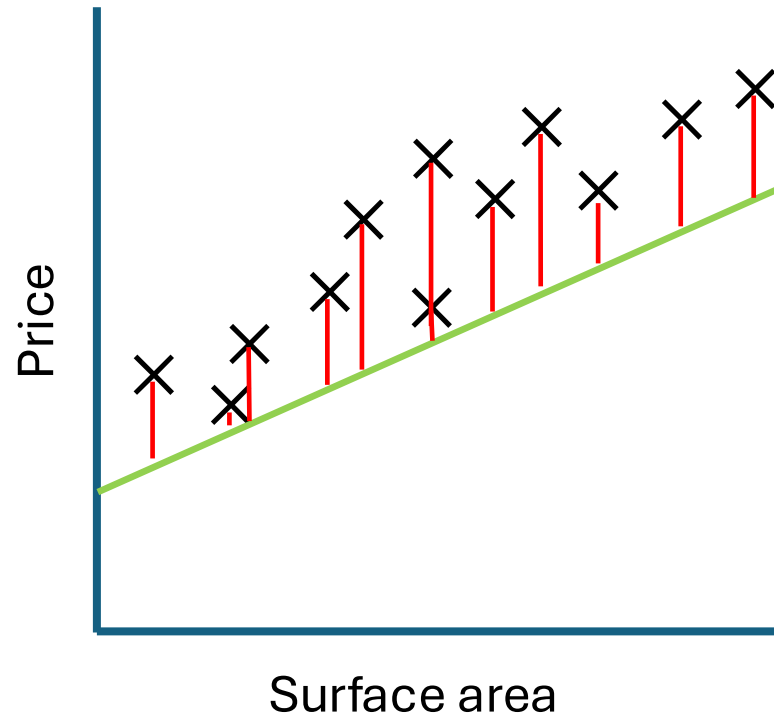


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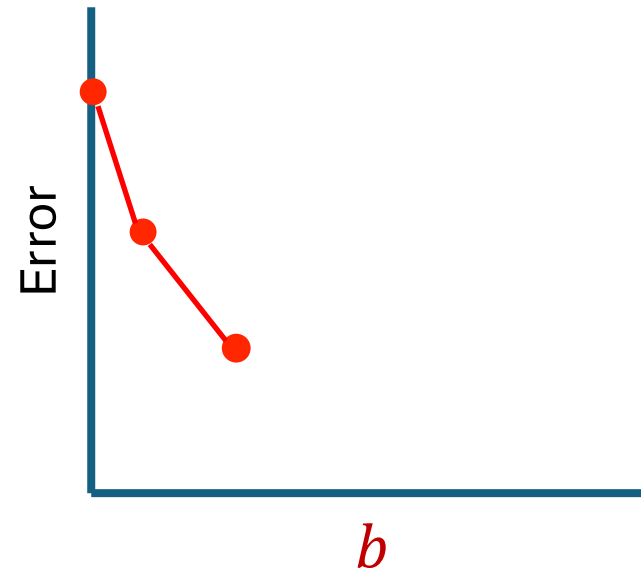
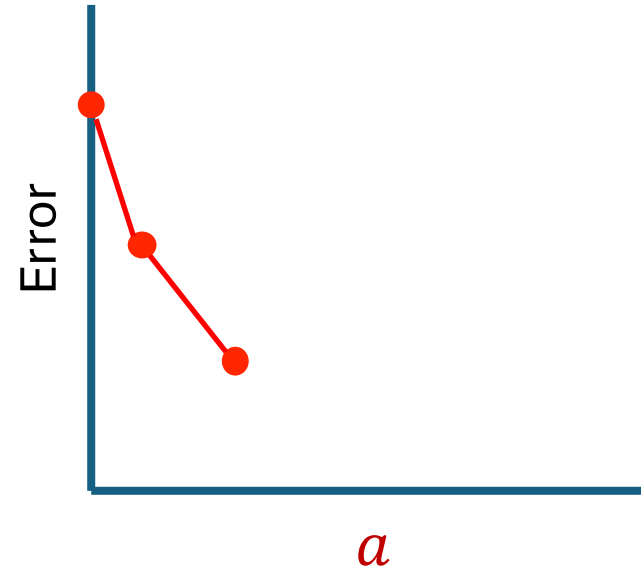


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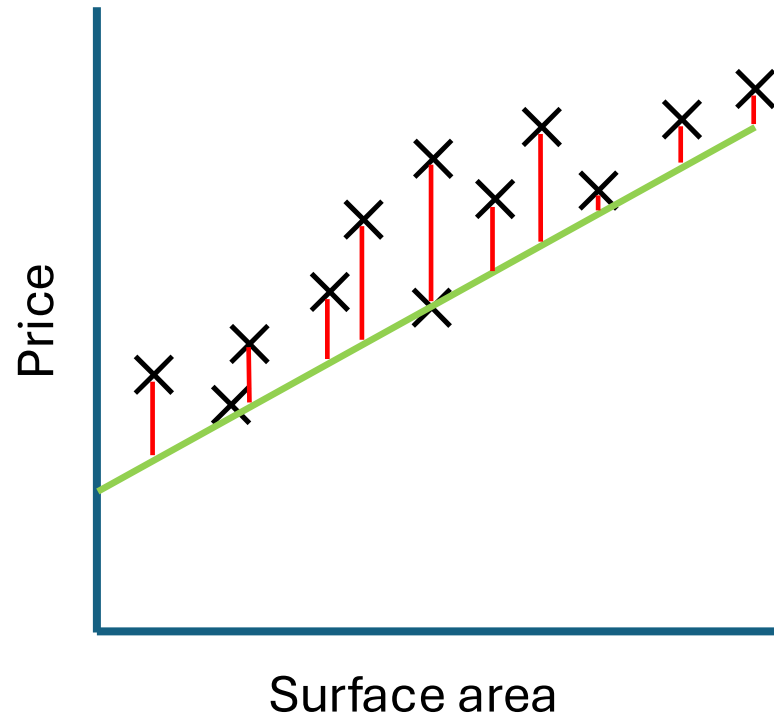


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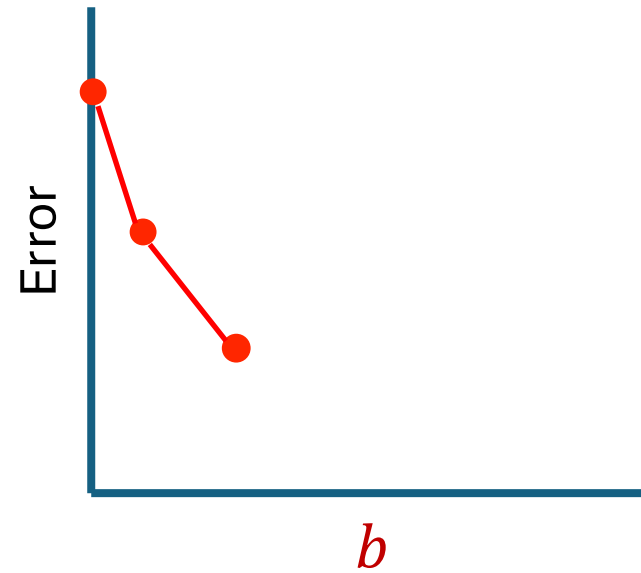
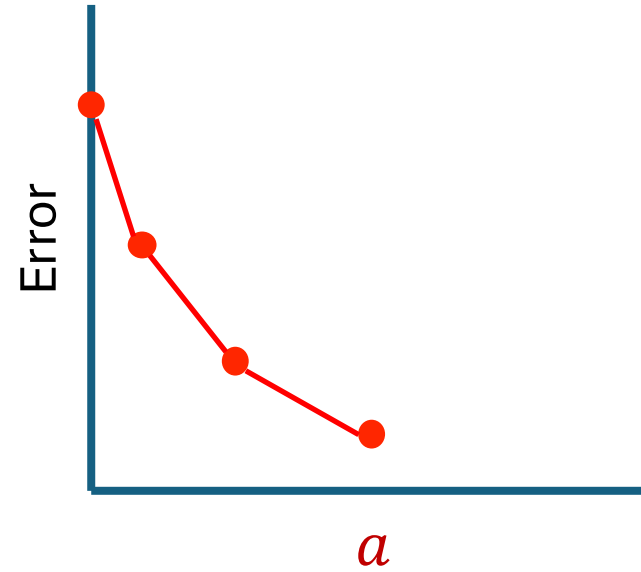


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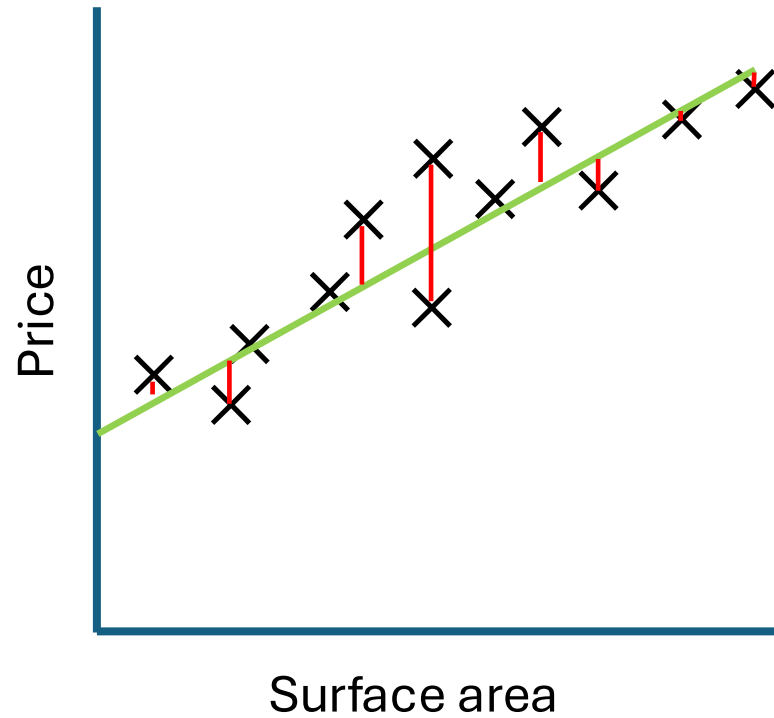


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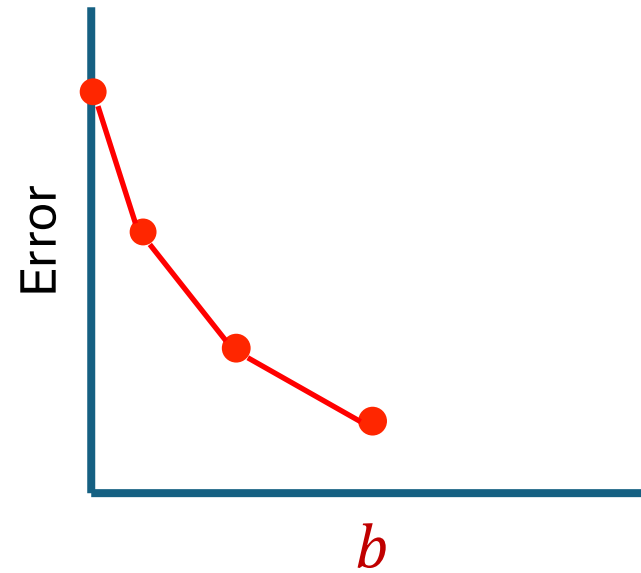
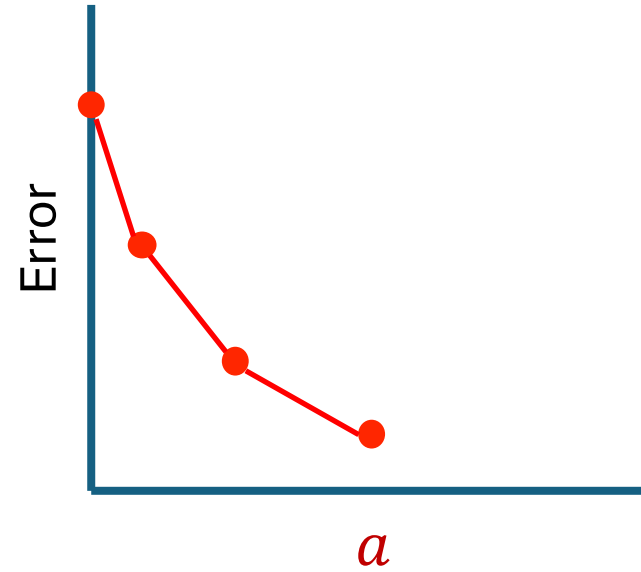


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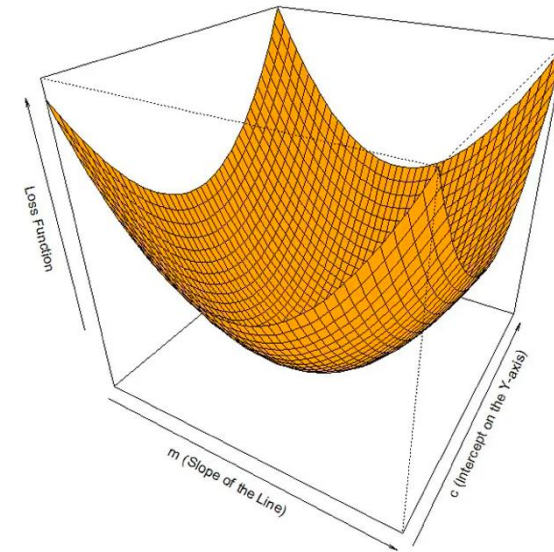
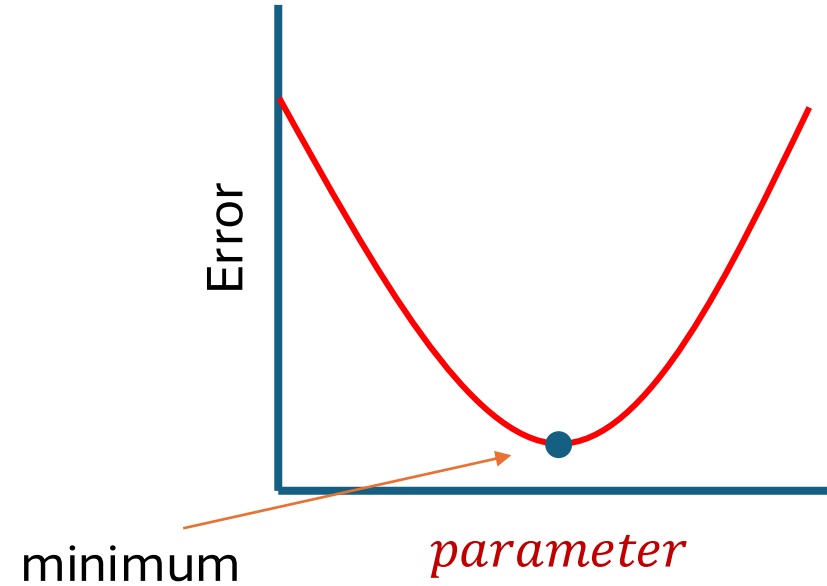


House price model

- Optimization problem: minimize the loss function (MSE)
- Simple linear regression with ordinary least squares (OLS)
- Gradient Descent algorithm

$$\hat{\alpha} = \bar{y} - (\hat{\beta} \bar{x}),$$

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$



Parametrization

- Parameters are constants that define a particular transformation
- In a multivariate linear model (for example the price of a house):

$$f(x_1, x_2) = ax_1 + bx_2 + c$$

x_1, x_2 are variables

a, b, c are parameters

- f is parametrized by x_1, x_2
- In the following cubic model:

$$g(x) = 2x^3 - 1x^2 + 3x - 4$$

x is a variable

$2, -1, 3, -4$ are parameters

- In machine learning, training a model means finding the parameters that minimize an objective function

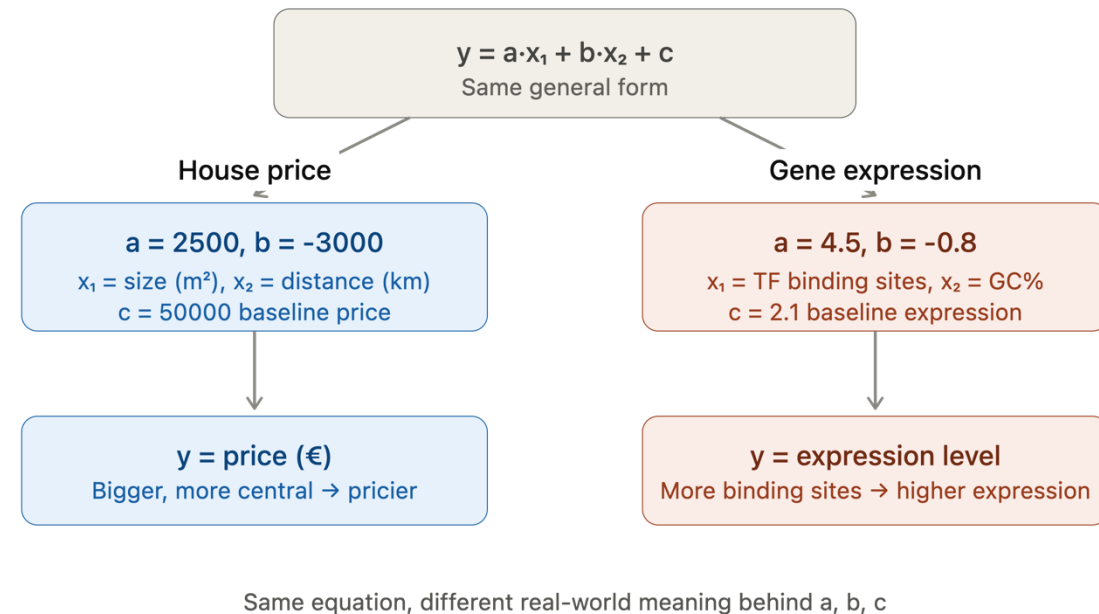
Linear model: $y = ax_1 + bx_2 + c$

- $y^{(1)} = 2500x_1^{(1)} - 3000x_2^{(1)} + 5000$

price = $a \cdot (\text{size}) + b \cdot (\text{distance to city center}) + c$
 $a=2500, b=-3000, c=5000$

- $y^{(2)} = 4.5x_1^{(2)} - 0.8x_2^{(2)} + 2.1$

expression = $a \cdot (\text{number of transcription factor binding sites}) + b \cdot (\text{GC content \%}) + c$
 $a=4.5, b=-0.8, c=2.1$



Example: tomato price model

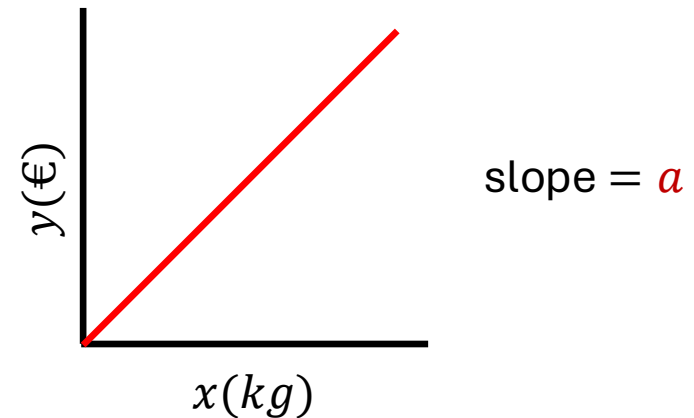
- How is the amount of tomatoes of a certain variety that I buy related to the price that I pay?
- Assumptions:
 1. Each kg of tomatoes is worth equal
 2. There is no flat rate to pay when buying tomatoes

We can find a by looking at the price tag



$$y = f(x) = ax$$

$$\text{E.g. } a = \frac{2\text{€}}{\text{kg}}$$



Example: exponential growth

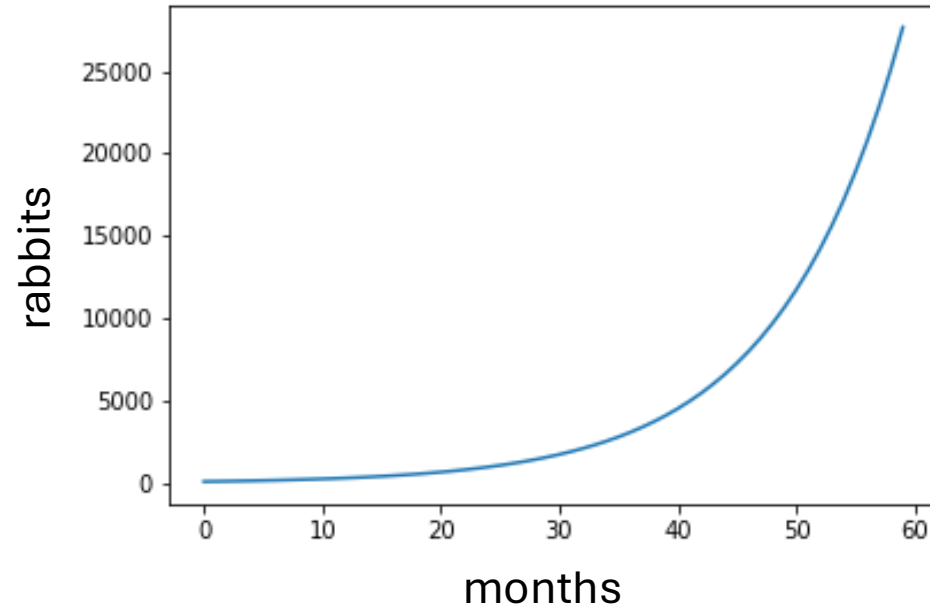
- How does a rabbit population grow with time?
- Suppose we start with a population of 100 rabbits and it increases by 10% each month. The rabbit population population after 5 years is given by

$$P(n) = 100 \cdot (1.1)^{60} = 27680$$

- The general model of exponential growth is

$$P(n) = a(1 + r)^t,$$

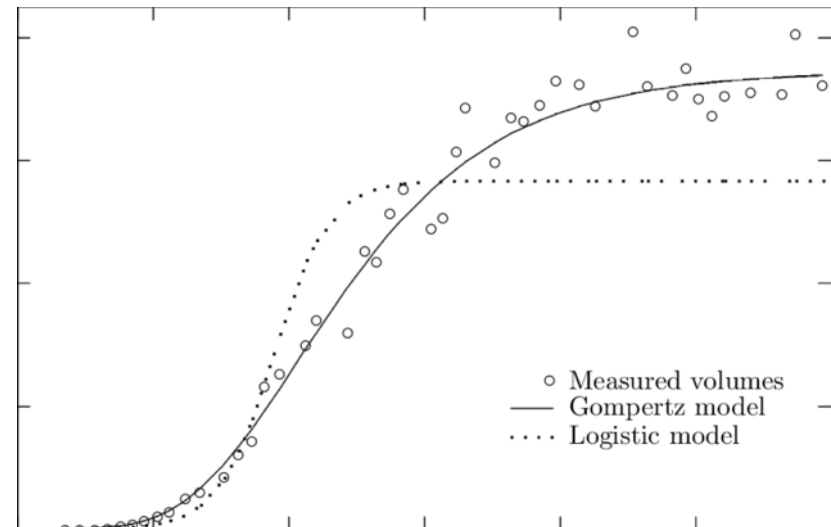
Where a is the initial population, r the growth rate and t the time



Example: logistic growth

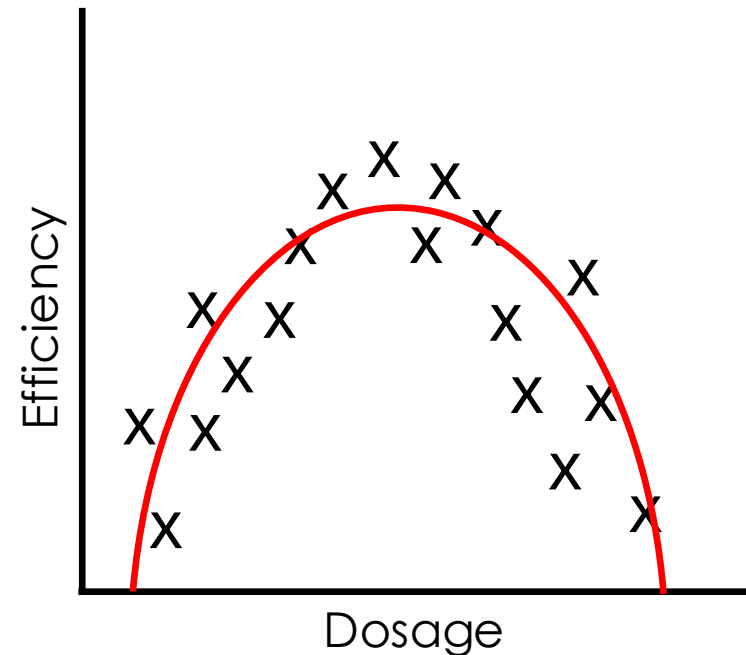
- The population cannot grow indefinitely
- L is the carrying capacity of the system
- k is the logistic growth rate
- x_0 is the sigmoid midpoint
- We find L , k and x_0 by minimizing some error function in our observations

$$f(x) = \frac{L}{1 + e^{-k(x-x_0)}}$$



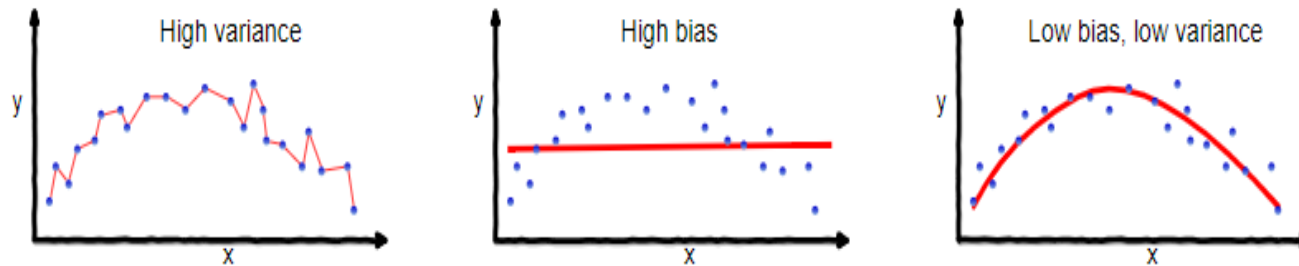
Example: drug efficiency model

- The effectiveness of a drug may be unnoticeable for small doses, ideal in intermediate doses and harmful in high doses
- This can be modelled by a quadratic function: $E(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$
- Again, a , b and c are the parameters of the model, in this case the coefficients of a quadratic equation, and we find them using the available data

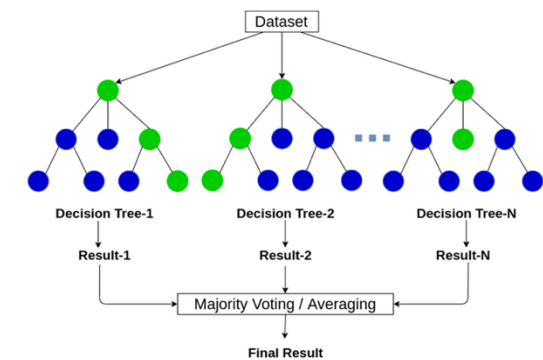


How did we build these models?

- We have some freedom to choose how we want the function that describes our model to be
- The more degrees of freedom (parameters), the less assumptions we do about the structure of our data
- We aim to generalize → reasonable predictions on unseen data



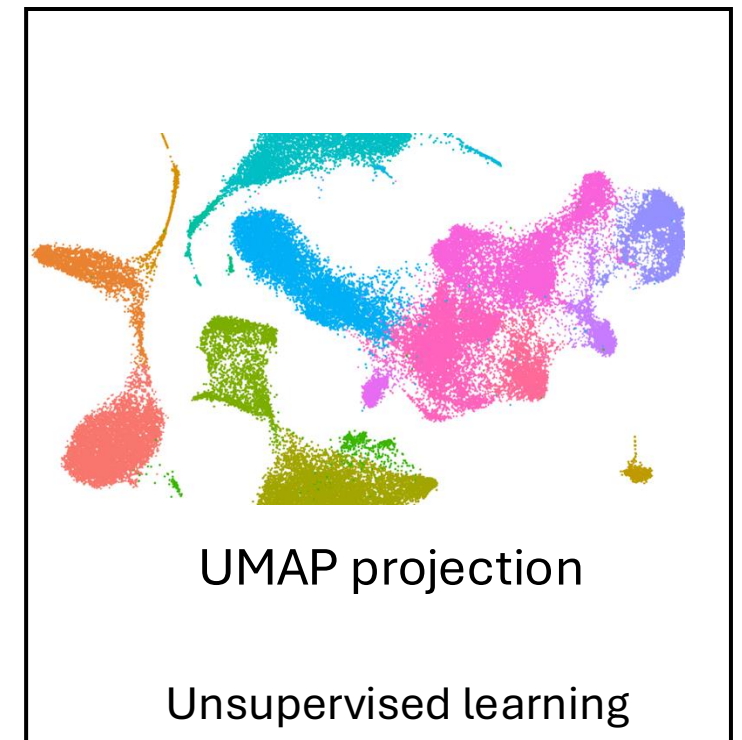
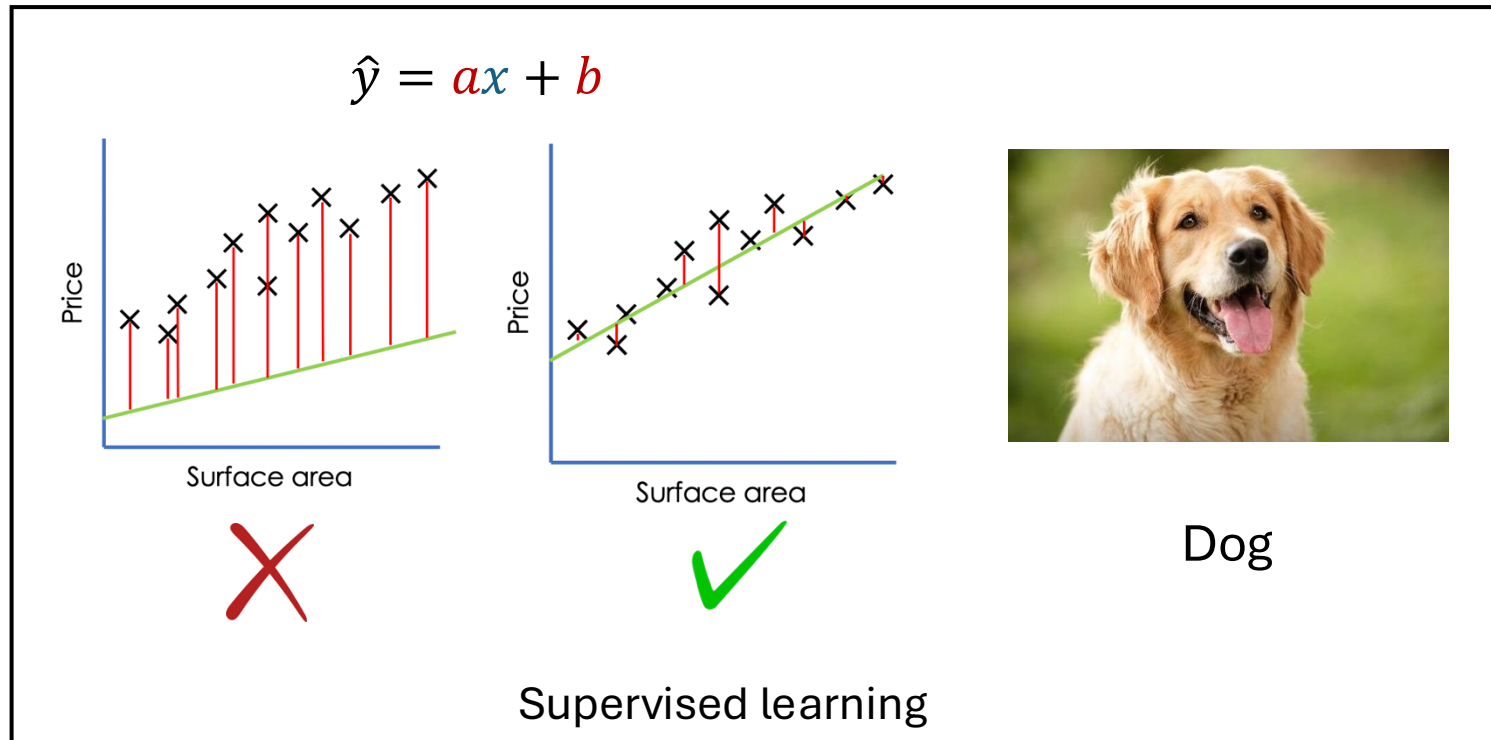
Random Forest



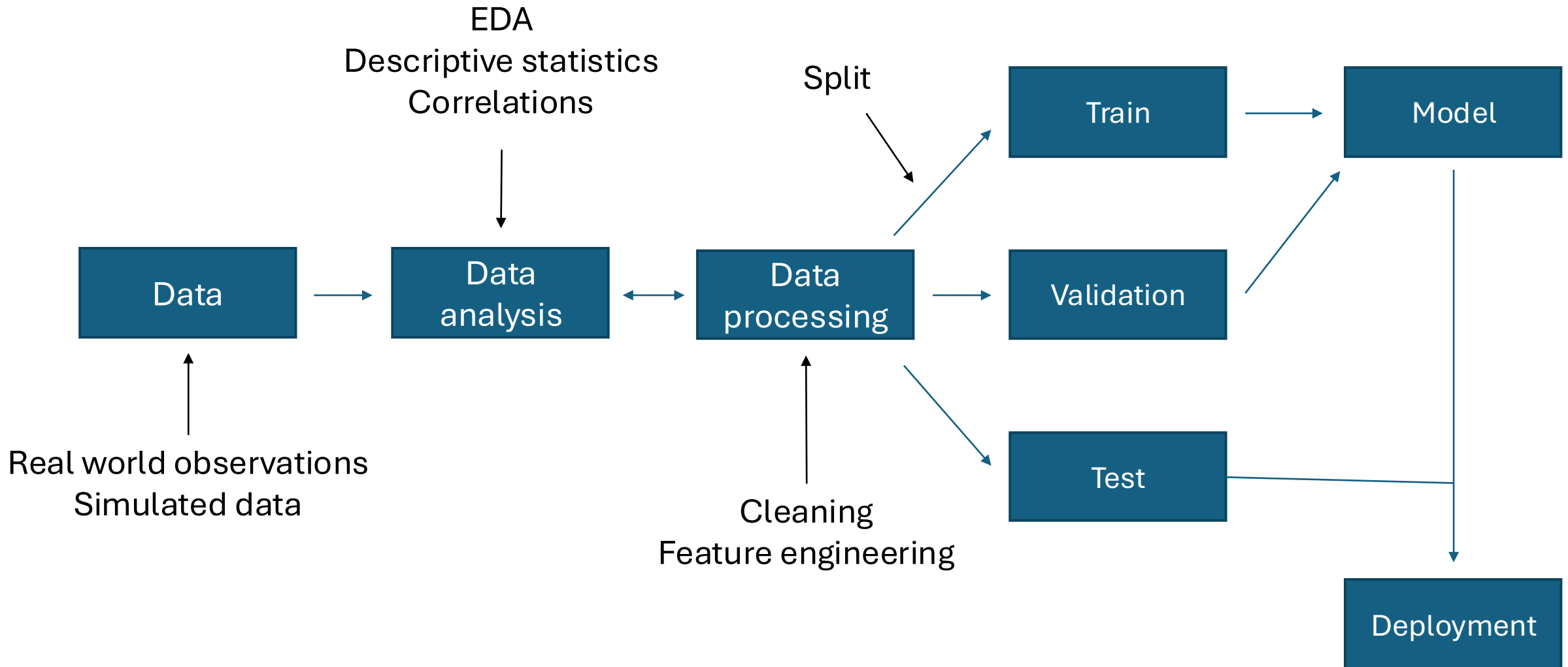
ML models examples: Logistic Regression, Decision Trees, Random Forest, Gradient Boosting, SVMs...

Model training

- Metric that we want to optimize
- Algorithm → procedural method to find the parameters that minimize that metric
- Model → set of parameters & functions that define the transformation from the input data to prediction

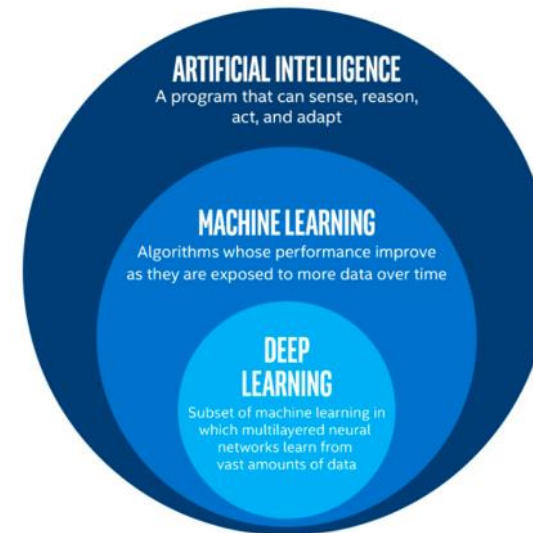
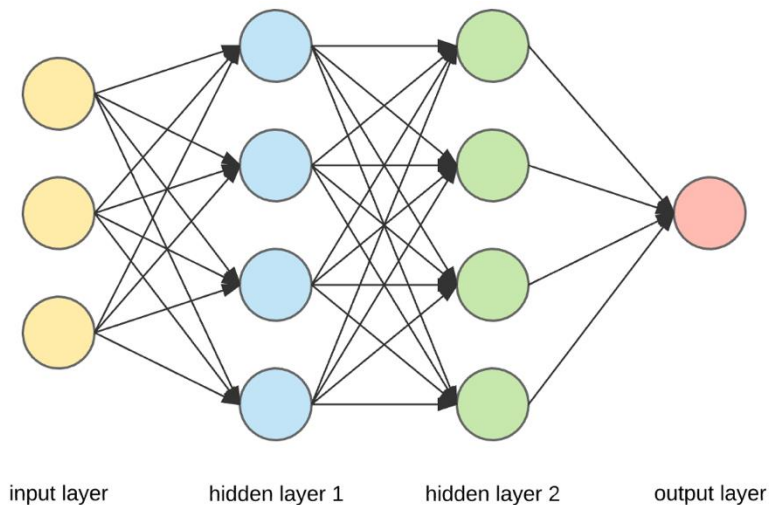


General Machine Learning procedure



Deep Learning

- Sub-field of Machine Learning that uses deep neural networks inspired by the human brain
- Very powerful models when large amounts of data are available



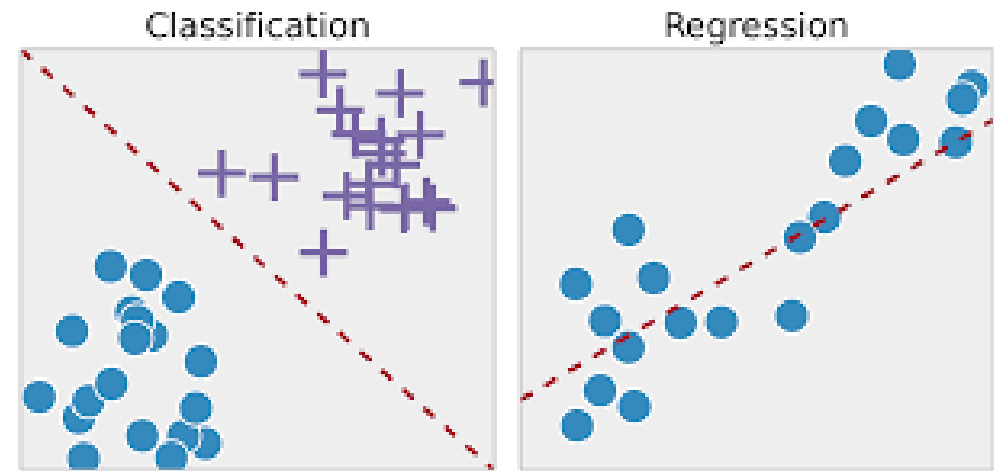
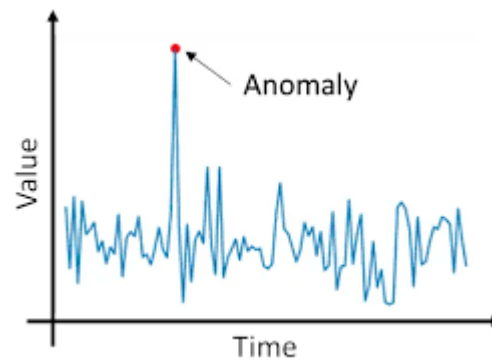
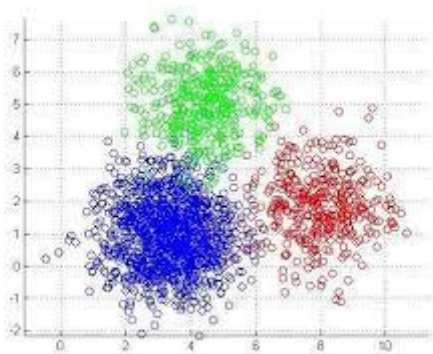
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Supervised vs unsupervised learning

- Supervised: We use labels for our target -> Classification / regression
- Unsupervised: No labels -> Dimensionality reduction, clustering, Anomaly detection

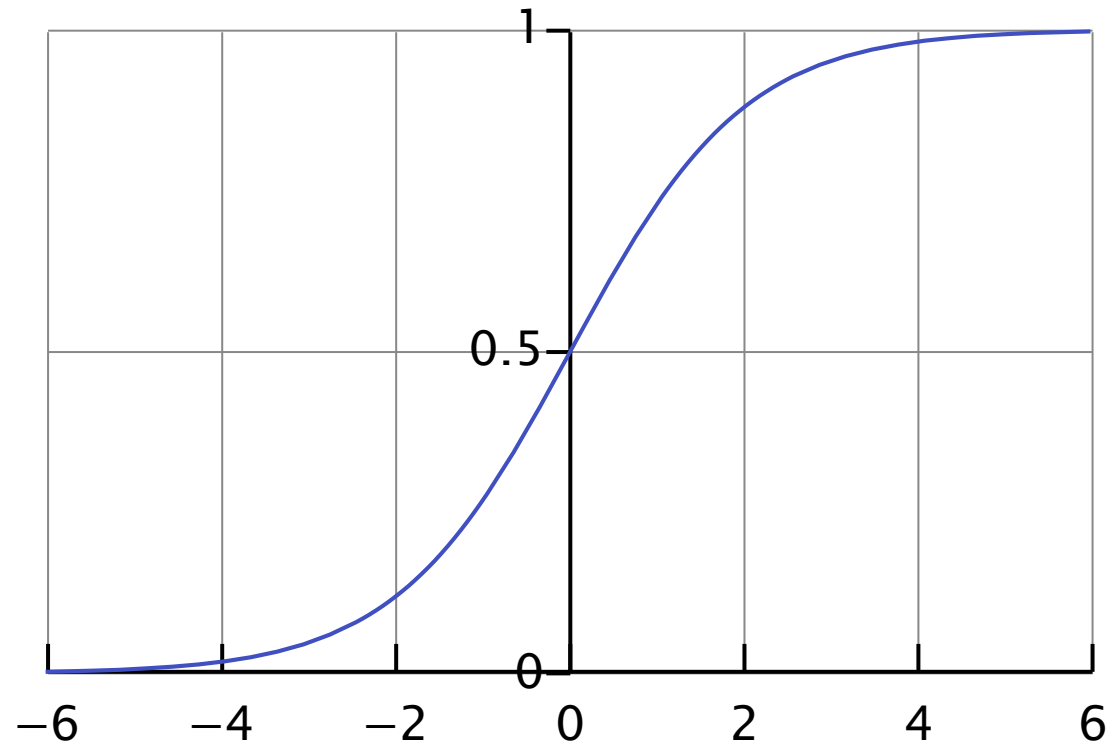


Classification example: Logistic regression

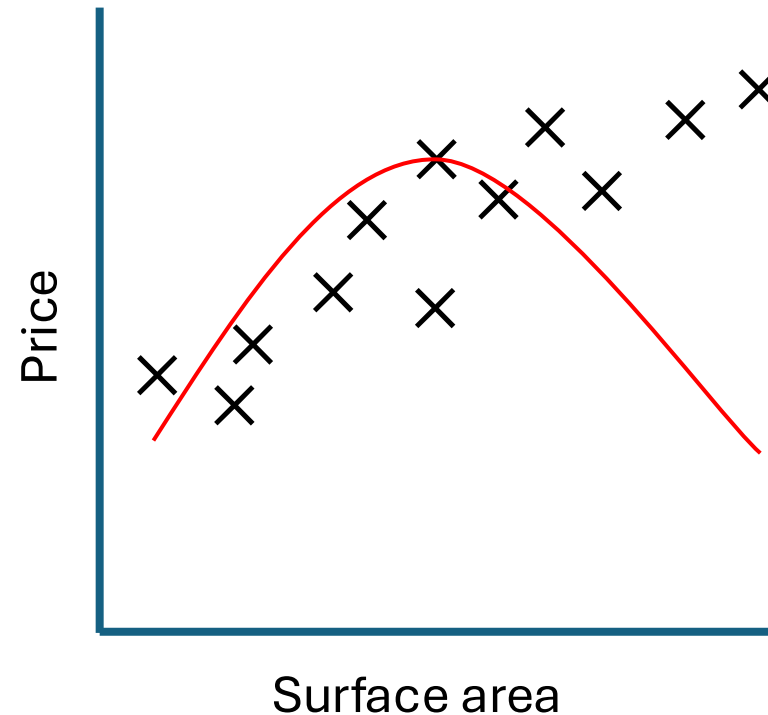
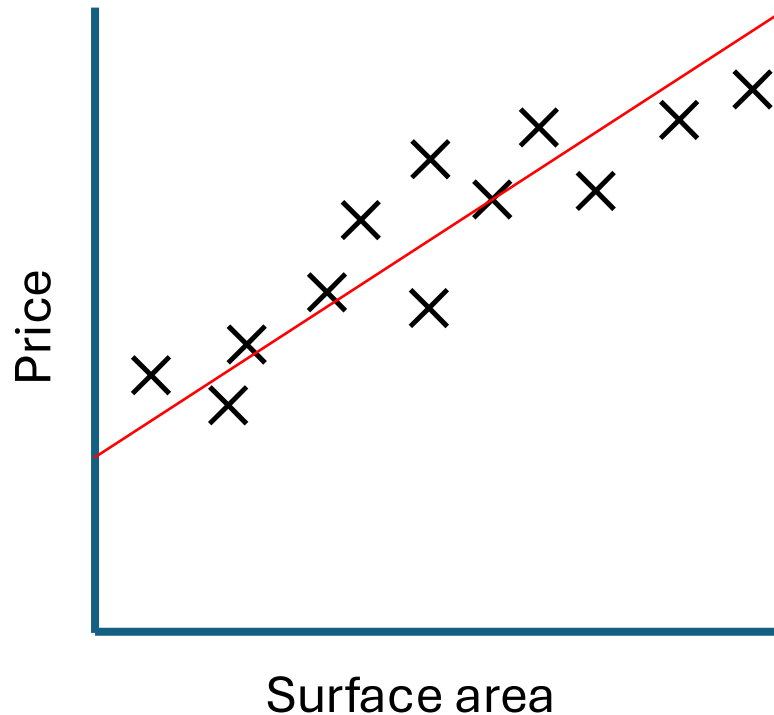
- Logistic function:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

- Output is a probability
- Used for classification



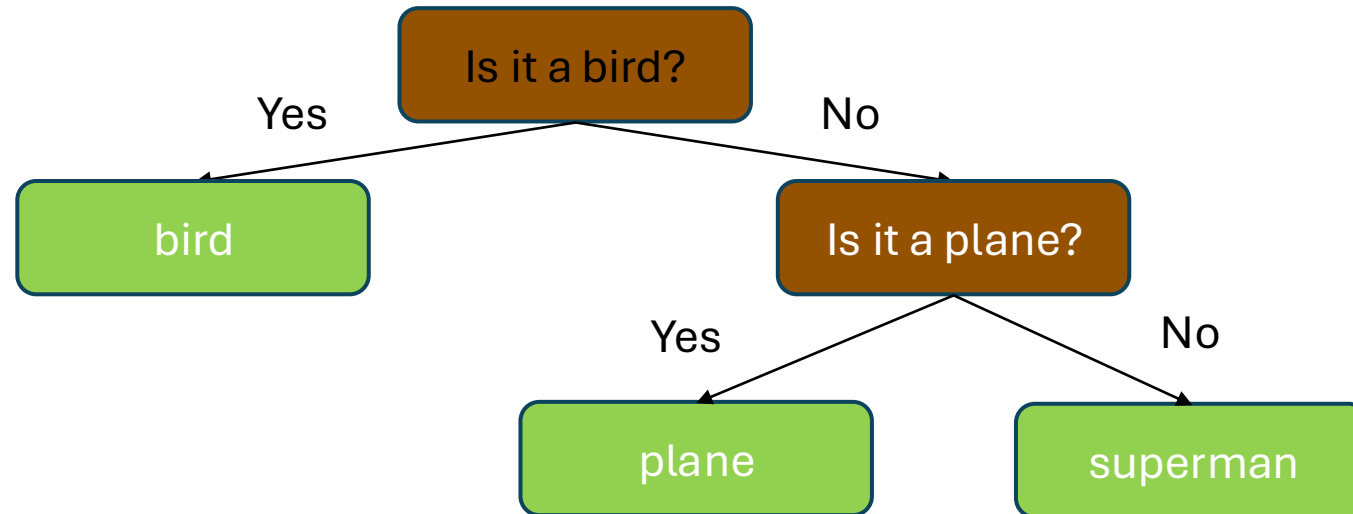
Bias-variance tradeoff



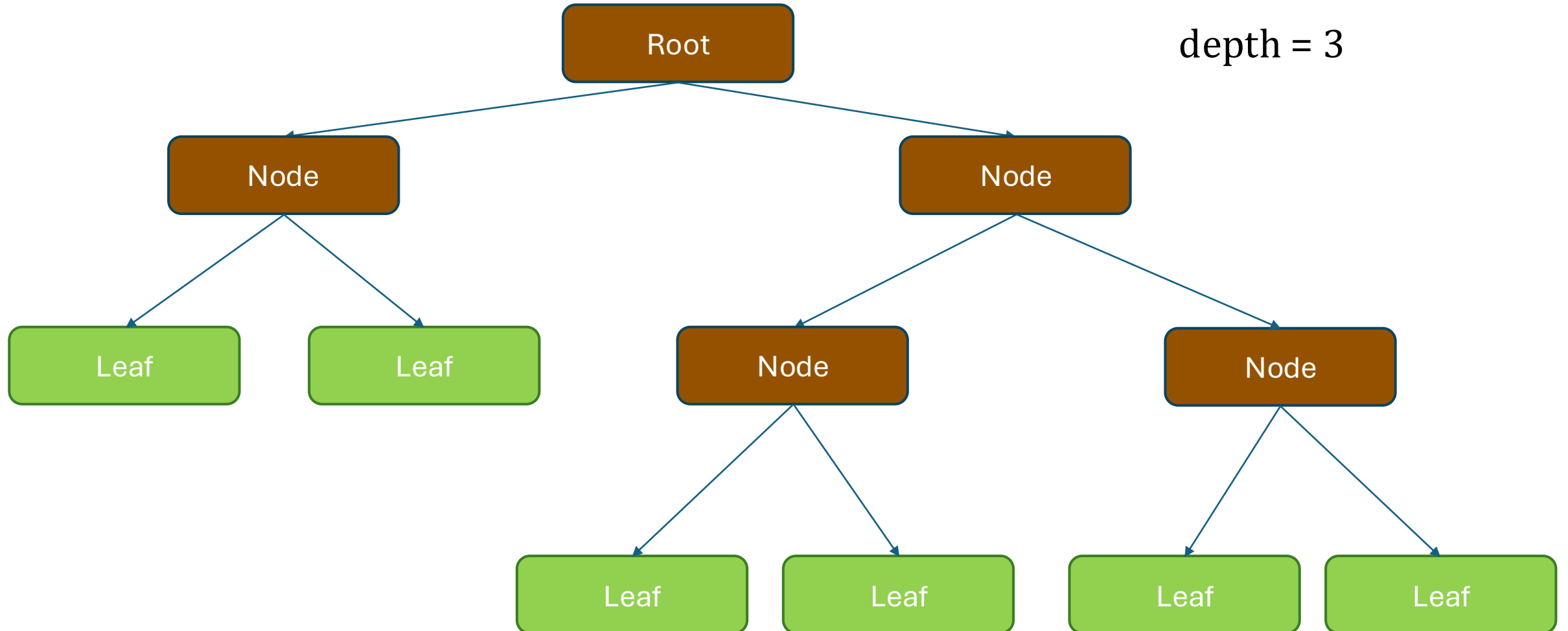
In statistics, the **bias of an estimator** (or **bias function**) is the difference between this estimator's expected value and the true value of the parameter being estimated. An estimator or decision rule with zero bias is called **unbiased**. In statistics, "bias" is an *objective* property of an estimator

Decision trees

- A decision tree is a decision support hierarchical model that uses a tree-like model of decisions and their possible consequences.
- “*If condition 1 and condition 2 then outcome*”



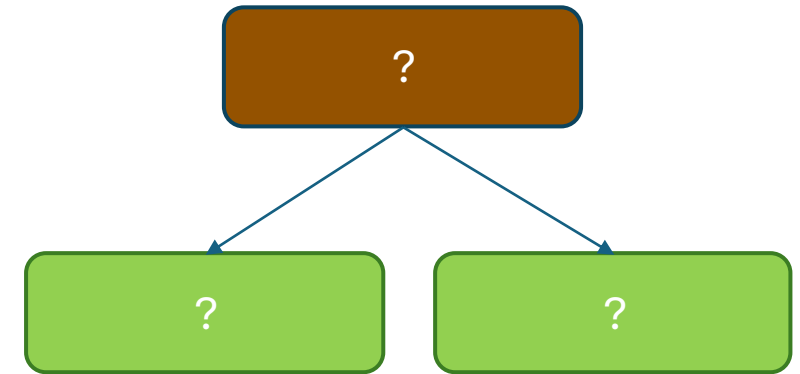
Decision trees



Decision tree learning

Tumor cells

Mean radius	Mean smoothness	Mean concavity	M or B?
14.97	0.08421	0.01947	0
15.7	0.09597	0.06593	1
13.48	0.1016	0.1063	1
14.5	0.1101	0.08842	0
17.46	0.09812	0.1417	1
12.47	0.09965	0.08005	0
11.89	0.1225	0.05929	0
13.61	0.09488	0.08625	1
14.6	0.08682	0.0839	1
11.26	0.0802	0.09274	0



Gini impurity

$$b_i = 1 - p_0^2 - p_1^2$$

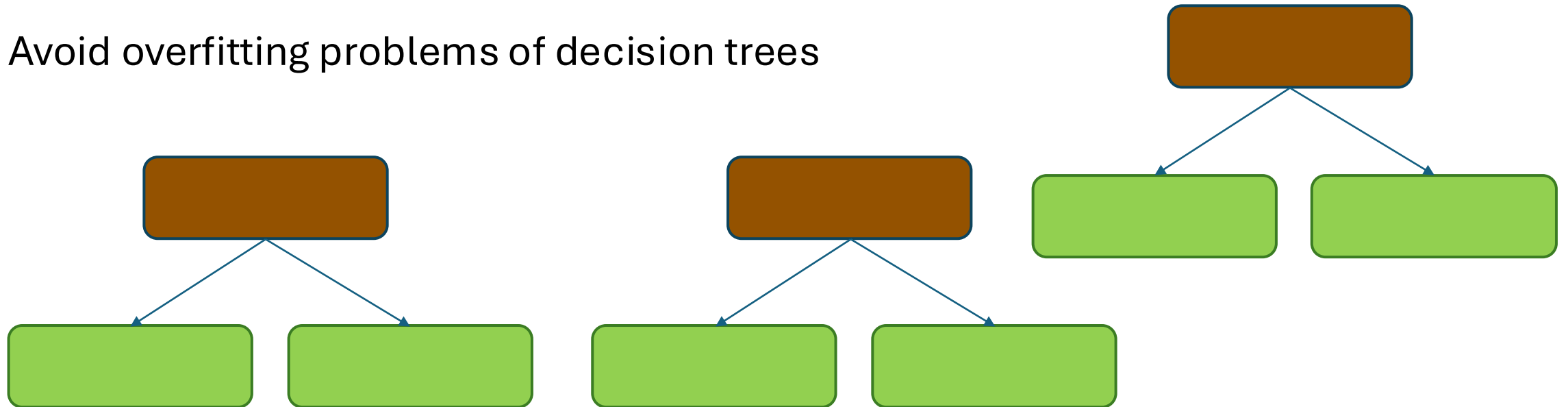
$$Gini(N) = \alpha b_1 + \beta b_2$$

Decision tree learning

- Easy to build, use and interpret
- Require little data preparation
- Perform well on large datasets
- Tend to overfit training data
- Generalization problems
- Limit the number of elements on each leaf
- Prune the trees

Random forests

- Ensemble learning method for classification and regression
- For classification tasks, the output is the majority voting of trees
- For regression tasks, the output is the mean of the prediction of all individual trees
- Avoid overfitting problems of decision trees



Random forests

- Create a bootstrapped dataset of the same size as the original dataset by selecting random samples from the dataset
- Build n decision trees, selecting at each step m variables
- Evaluate the random forest with the samples that didn't make it to the bootstrapped dataset
- Repeat with a different m

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