

# Nearest Neighbor, Decision Tree

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# Review

- Last week:
  - Binary classification applications
  - Evaluating classification models
  - Biological neurons: inspiration
  - Artificial neurons: Perceptron & Adaline
  - Gradient descent
- Assignments (Canvas)
  - Lab assignment 1 due tonight
  - Problem set 3 due next week
- Questions?

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# Today's Focus: Multiclass Classification

Predict 3+ classes

# Multiclass Classification: Cancer Diagnosis

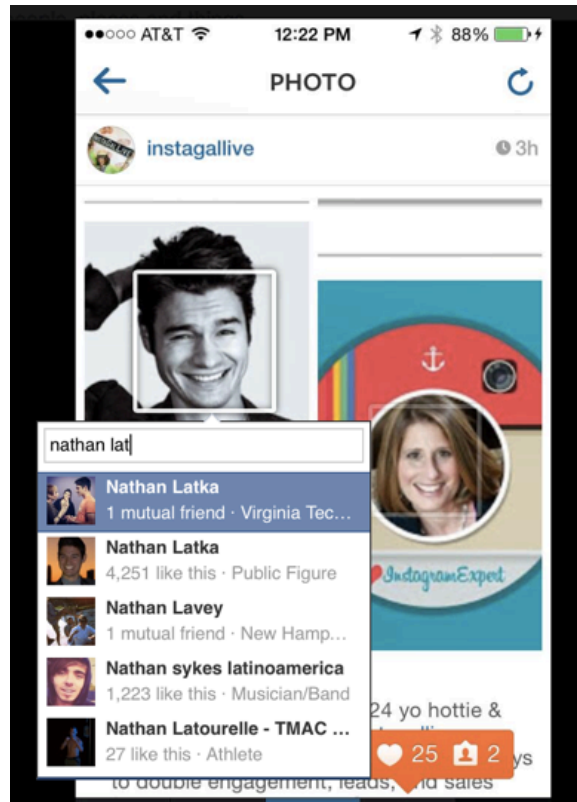
Doctor-level performance in recognizing 2,032 diseases



<https://www.nature.com/articles/nature21056>

<https://news.stanford.edu/2017/01/25/artificial-intelligence-used-identify-skin-cancer/>

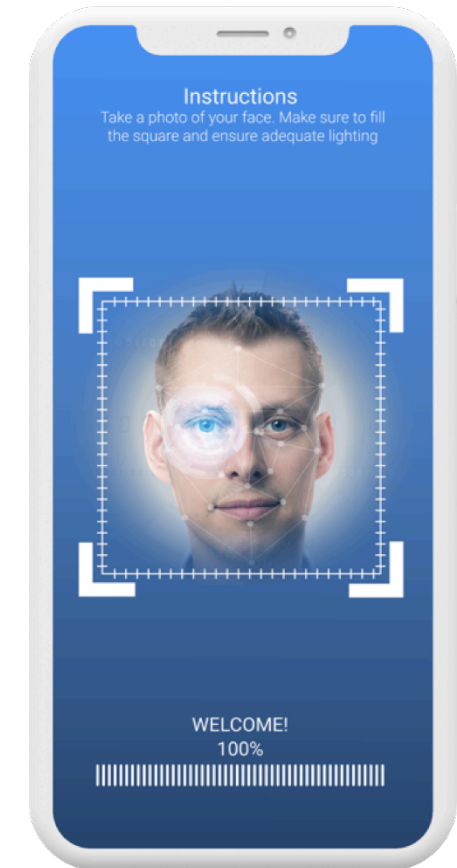
# Multiclass Classification: Face Recognition



Social media



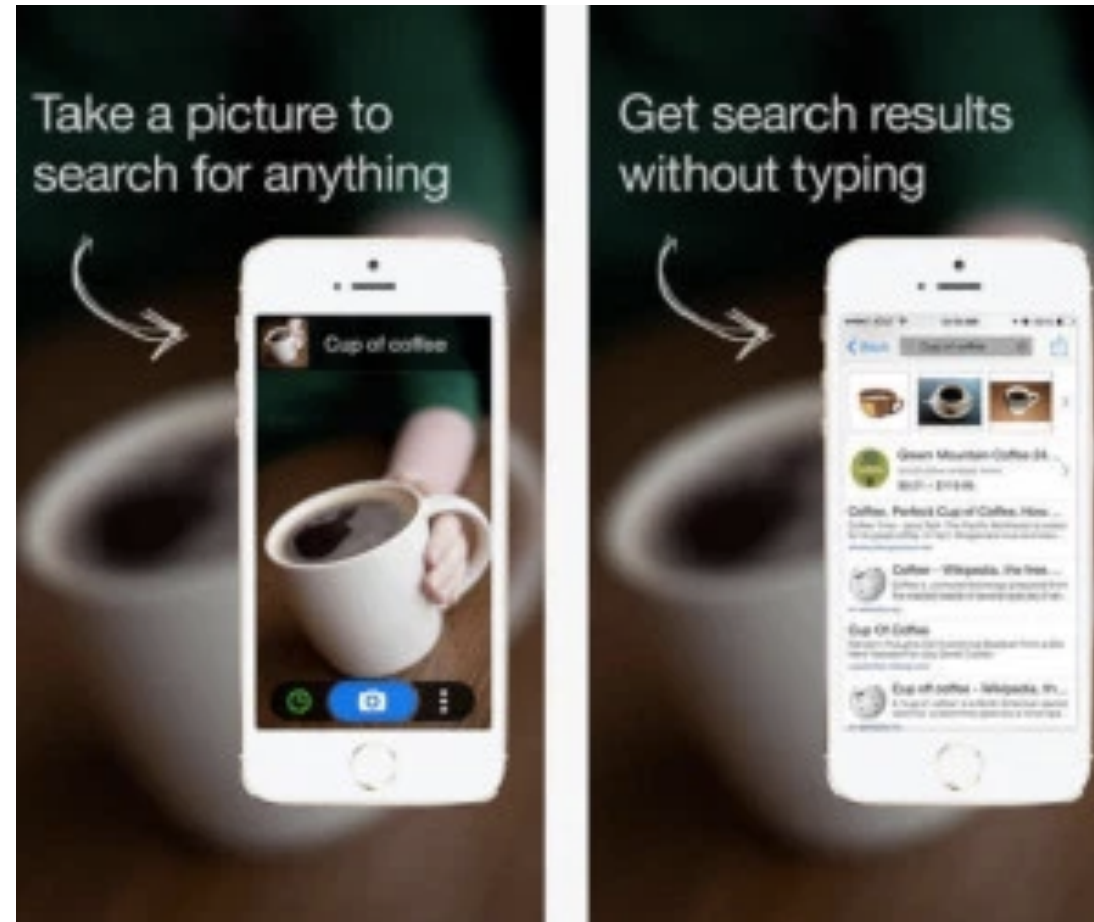
Visual assistance for people with vision impairments



Security

<https://www.anyvision.co/>

# Multiclass Classification: Shopping



Camfind (<https://venturebeat.com/2014/09/24/camfind-app-brings-accurate-visual-search-to-google-glass-exclusive/>)



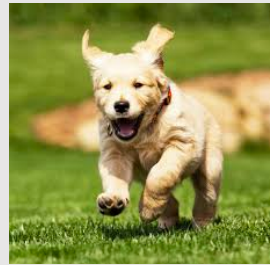
# Multiclass Classification: Song Recognition



<https://gbksoft.com/blog/how-to-make-a-shazam-like-app/>

# Goal: Design Models that **Generalize Well** to New, Previously Unseen Examples

Input:



Label:

Cat

Dog



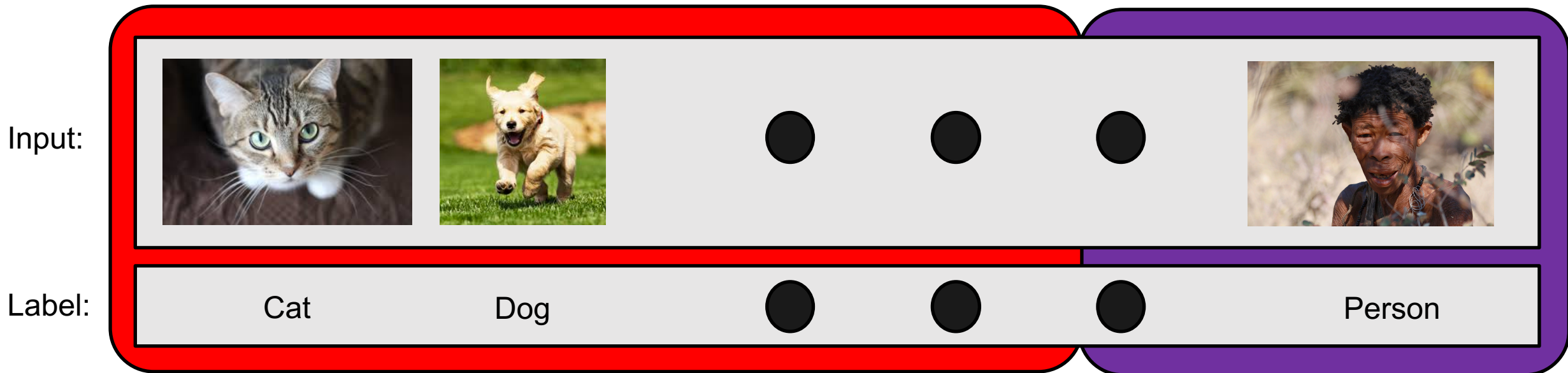
Person

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1. Split data into a “**training set**” and “**test set**”

Training Data

Test Data

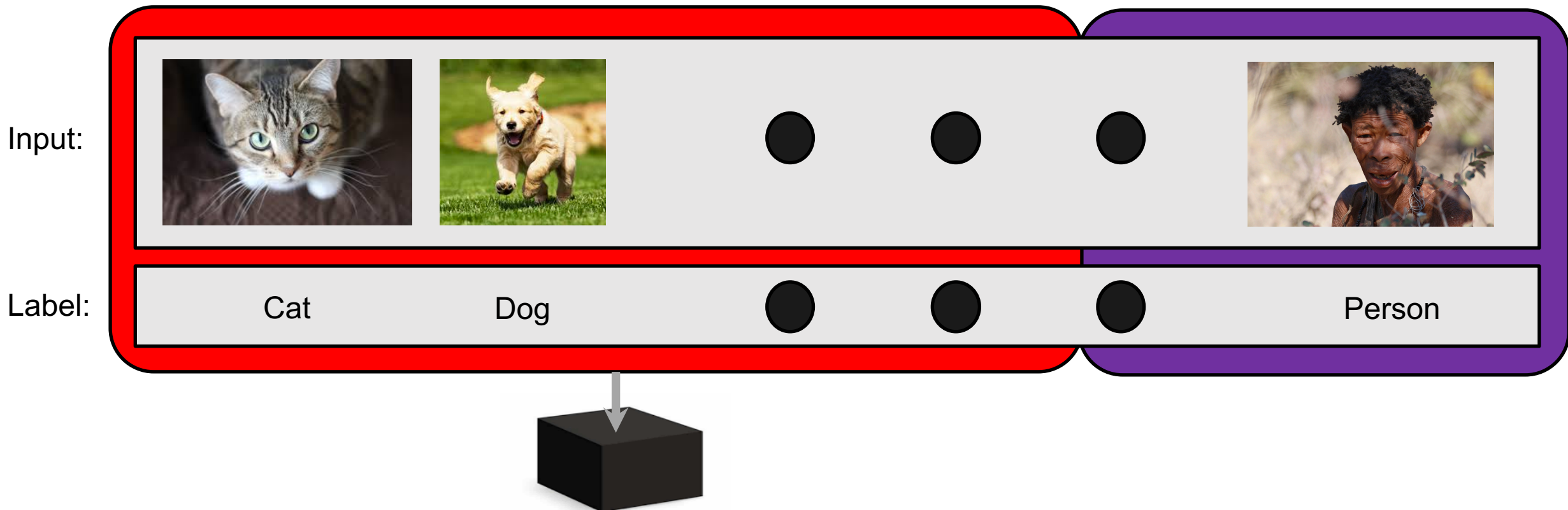


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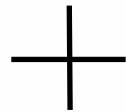


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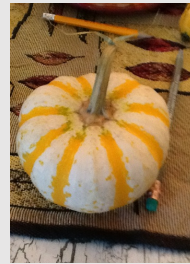
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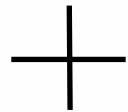
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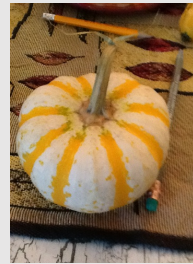
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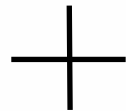
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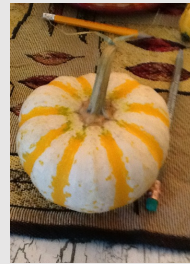
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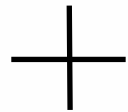
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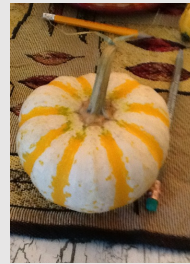
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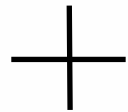


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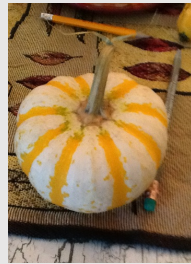
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Person



Human Annotated Label:

Cat

Pumpkin



Person

# Evaluation Methods

- Confusion matrix; e.g.,
- Accuracy: percentage correct

- Precision:  $\frac{TP}{TP + FP}$

- Recall:  $\frac{TP}{TP + FN}$

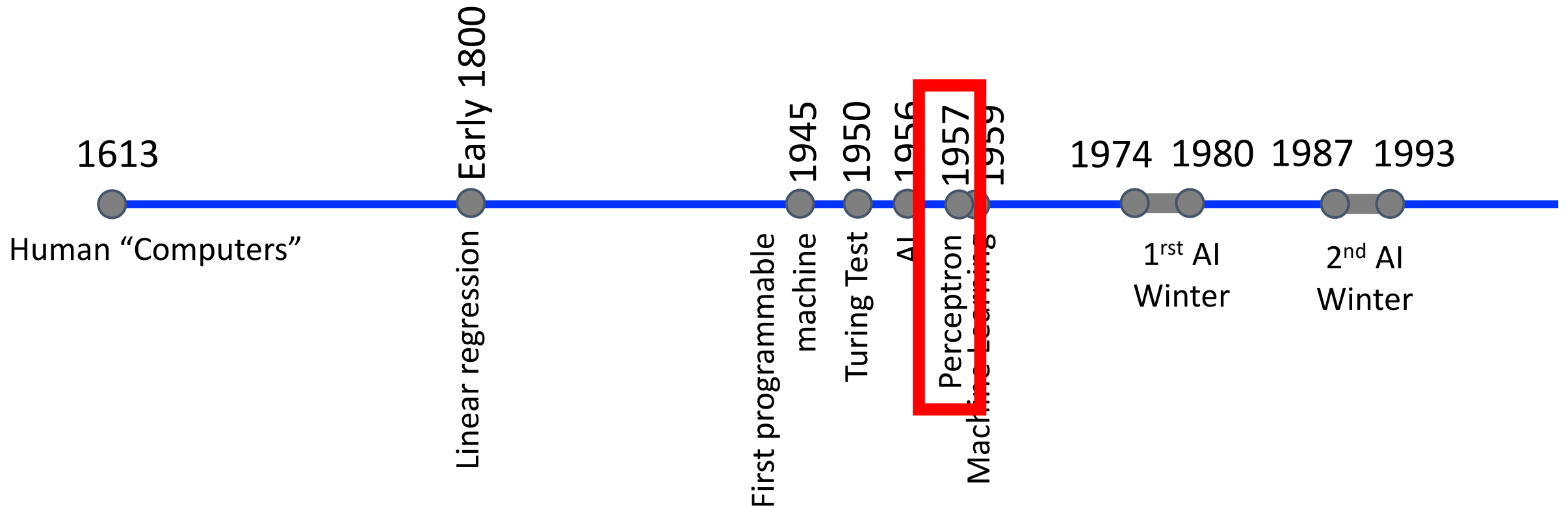
		Predicted			
		A	B	C	
True labels	A	2	2	0	4
	B	1	2	0	3
	C	0	0	3	3
		3	4	3	Total

<http://gabrielelanaro.github.io/blog/2016/02/03/multiclass-evaluation-measures.html>

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# Recall: Historical Context of ML Models



# Recall: Vision for Perceptron



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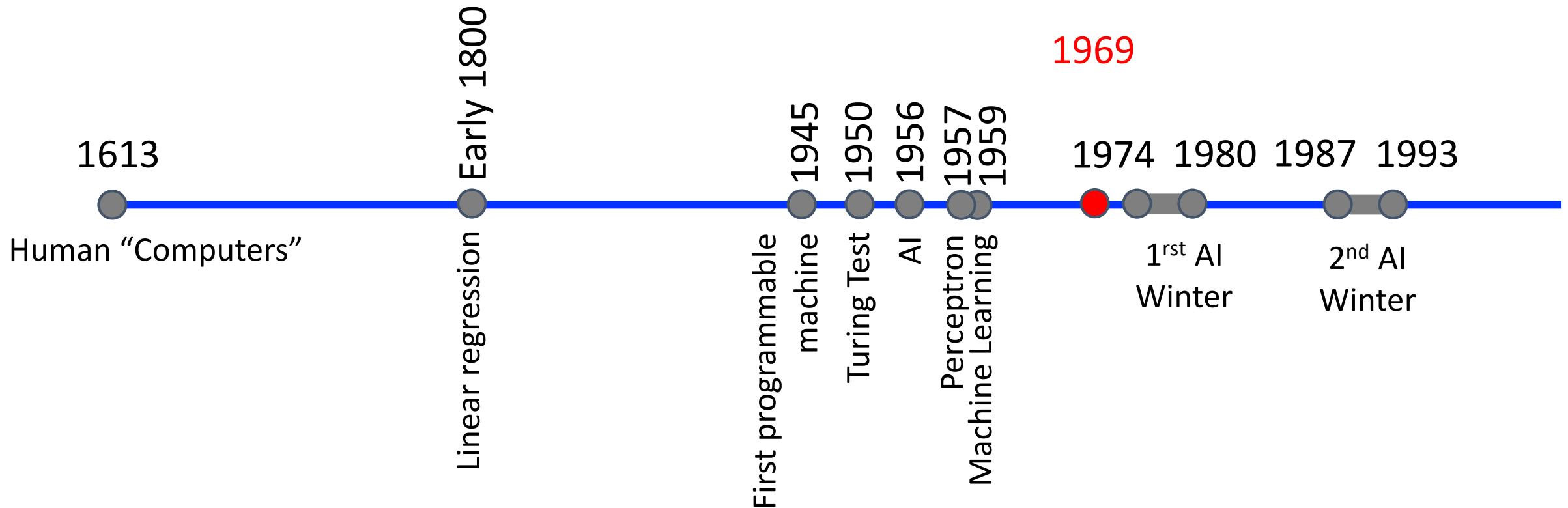
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1958 New York Times article: <https://www.nytimes.com/1958/07/08/archives/new-navy-device-learns-by-doing-psychologist-shows-embryo-of.html>

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# “Perceptrons” Book: Instigator for “AI Winter”

Minsky & Papert publish a book called “Perceptrons” to discuss its limitations



# Perceptron Limitation: XOR Problem

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- Output:
  - 1, when exactly one input equals 1
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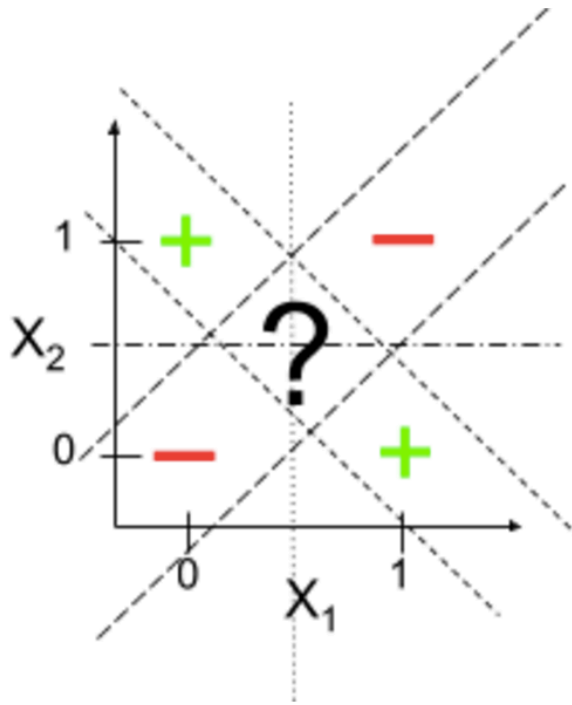
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How to separate 1s from 0s with a perceptron (linear function)?



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**How can a machine be “conscious”  
when it can’t solve the XOR problem?**

<https://www.nytimes.com/1958/07/29/archives/new-navy-device-learns-by-doing-psychologist-shows-embryo-of.html>

# How to Overcome Limitation?

## Non-linear models: e.g.,

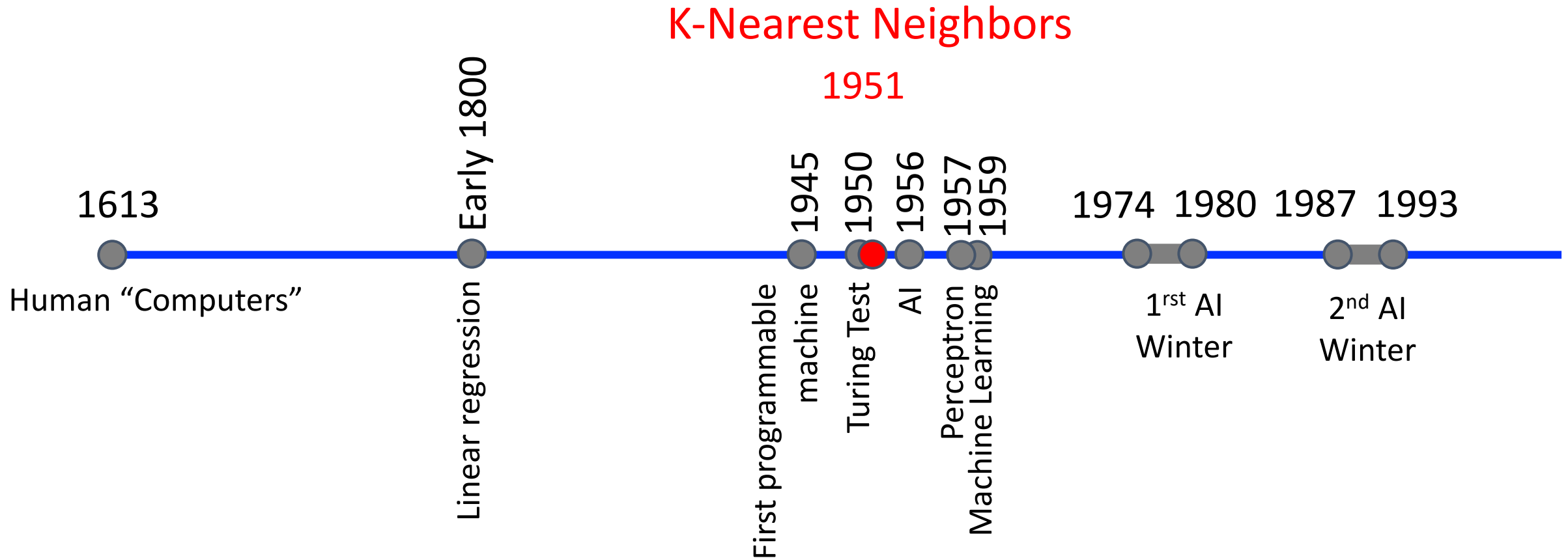
- Linear regression: perform non-linear transformation of input features
- K-nearest neighbors
- Decision trees
- And many more to follow...

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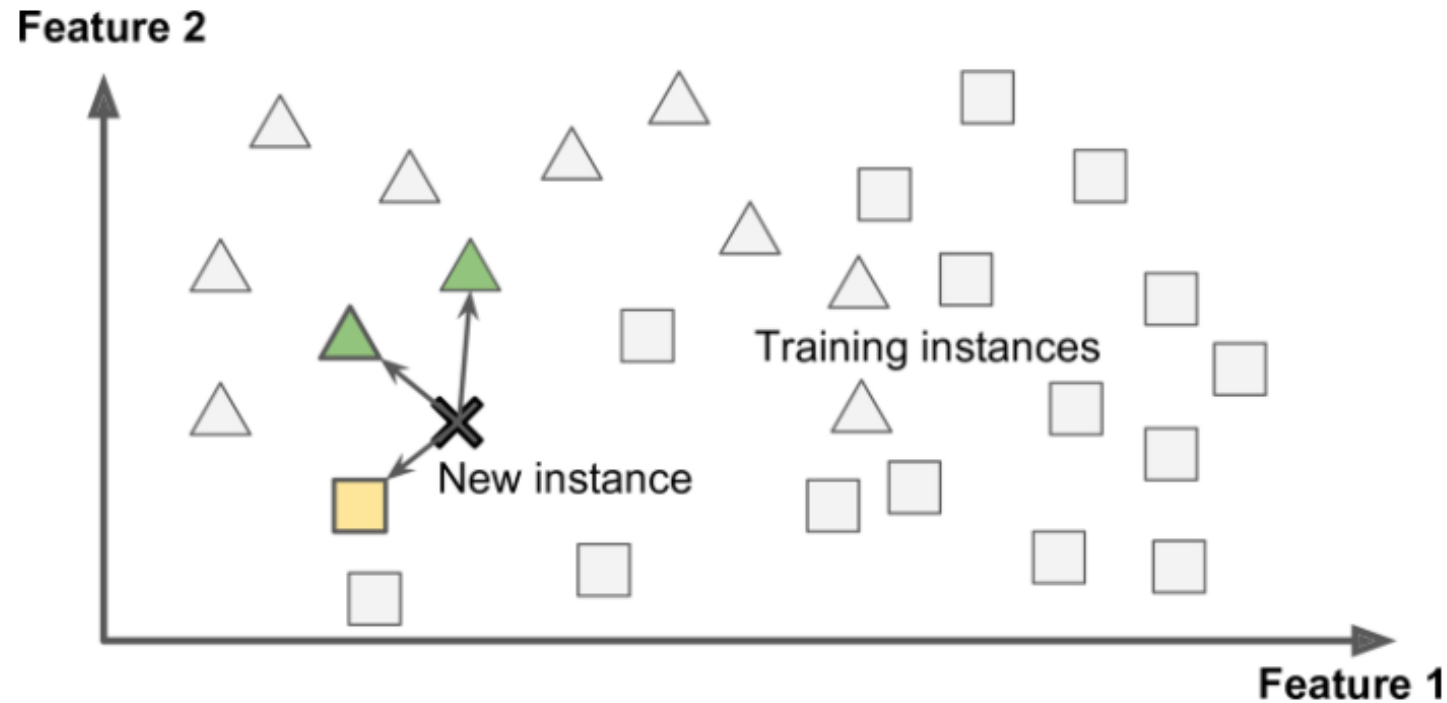
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# Historical Context of ML Models



# Recall: Instance-Based Learning



Memorizes examples and uses a similarity measure to those examples to make predictions

e.g., Predict What Scene The Image Shows

**Input**



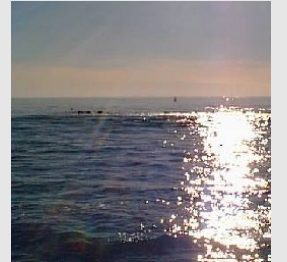
**Output**

Kitchen

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1. Create Large Database

Input:



Label:

Kitchen

Store



Coast

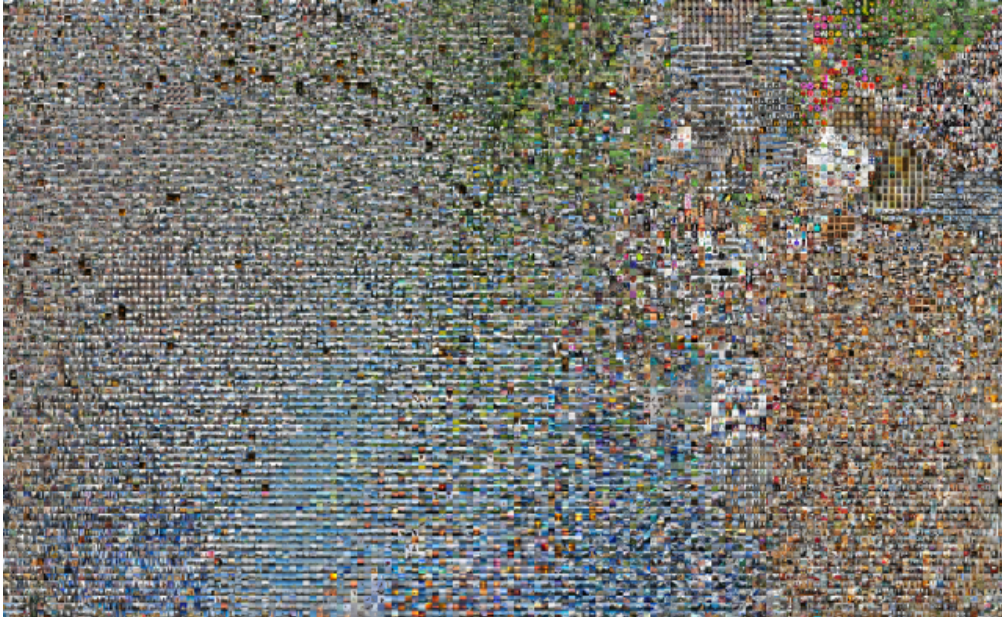
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## 2. Organize Database so Visually Similar Examples Neighbor Each Other



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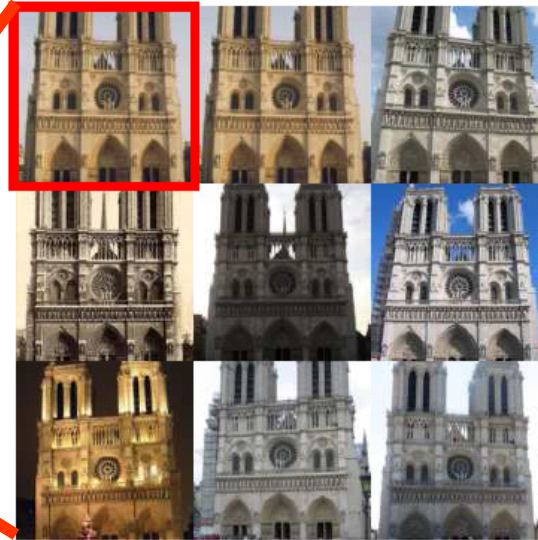
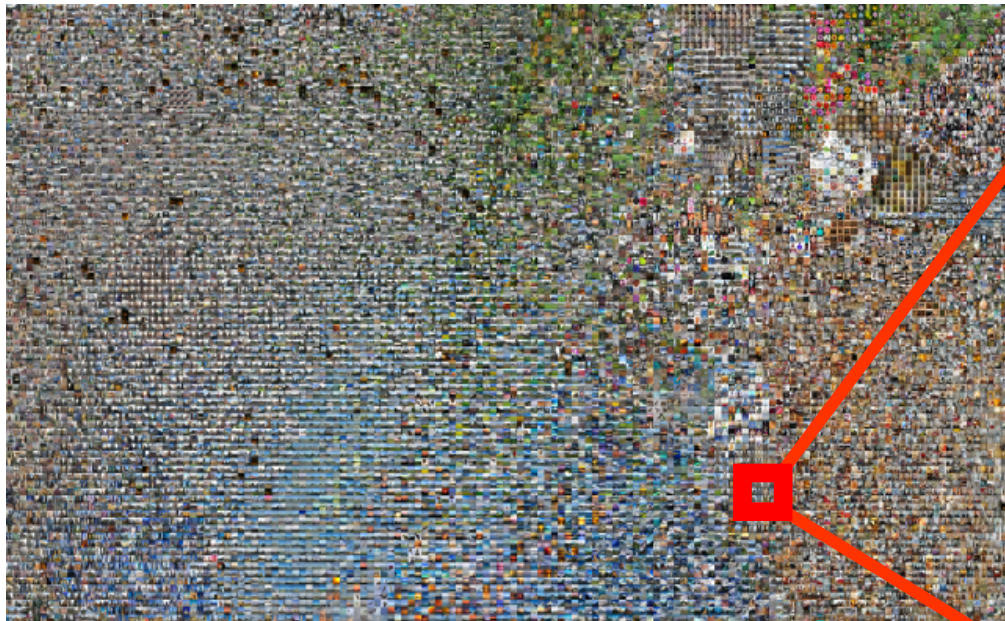
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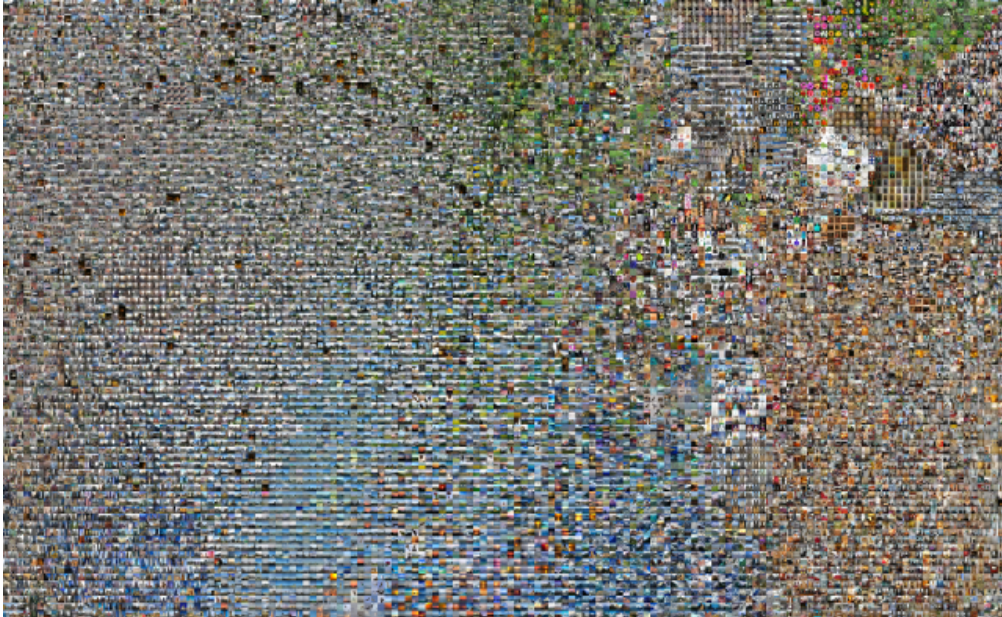
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Cathedral



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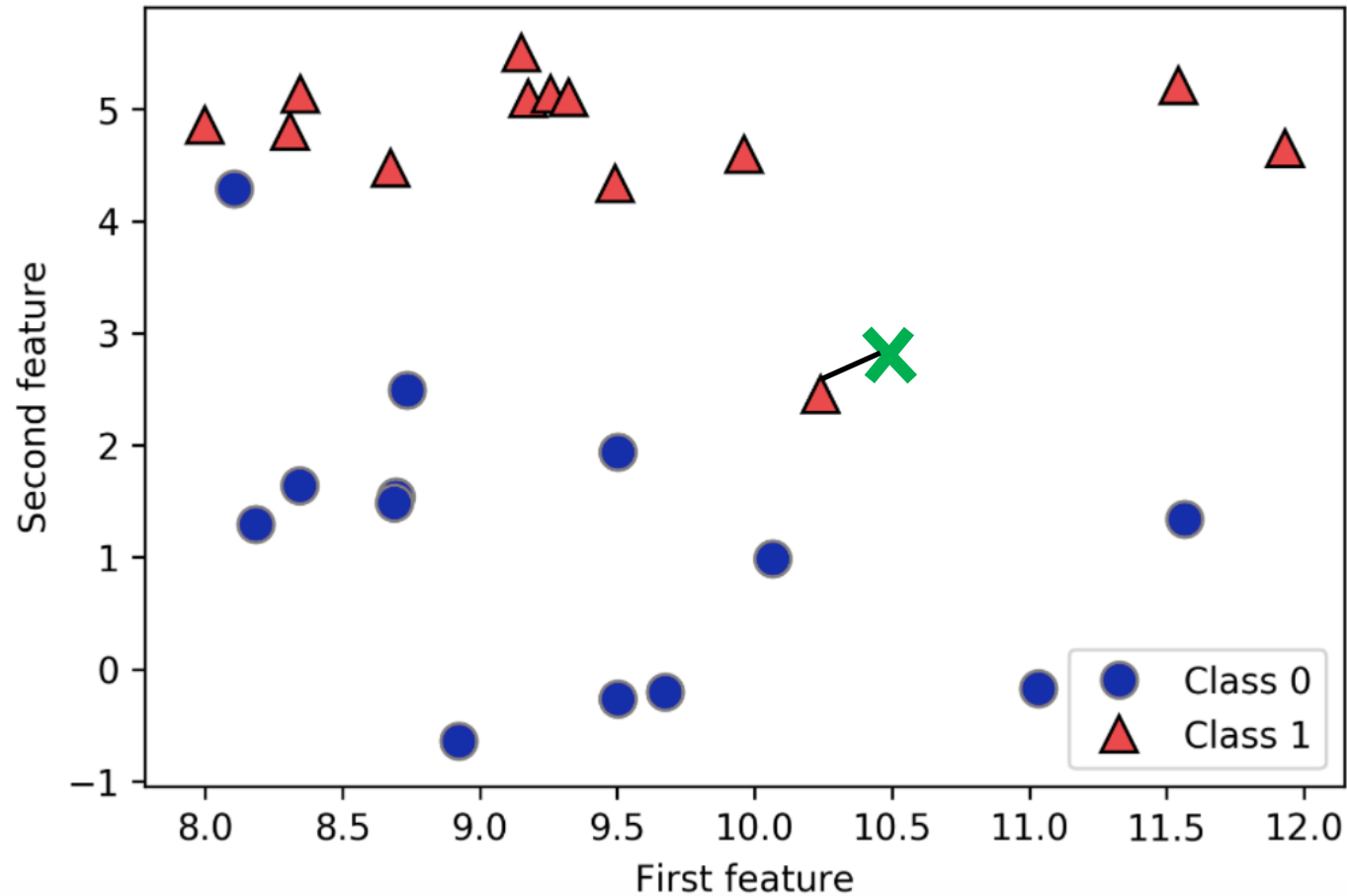
Label:

Highway



# K-Nearest Neighbor Classification

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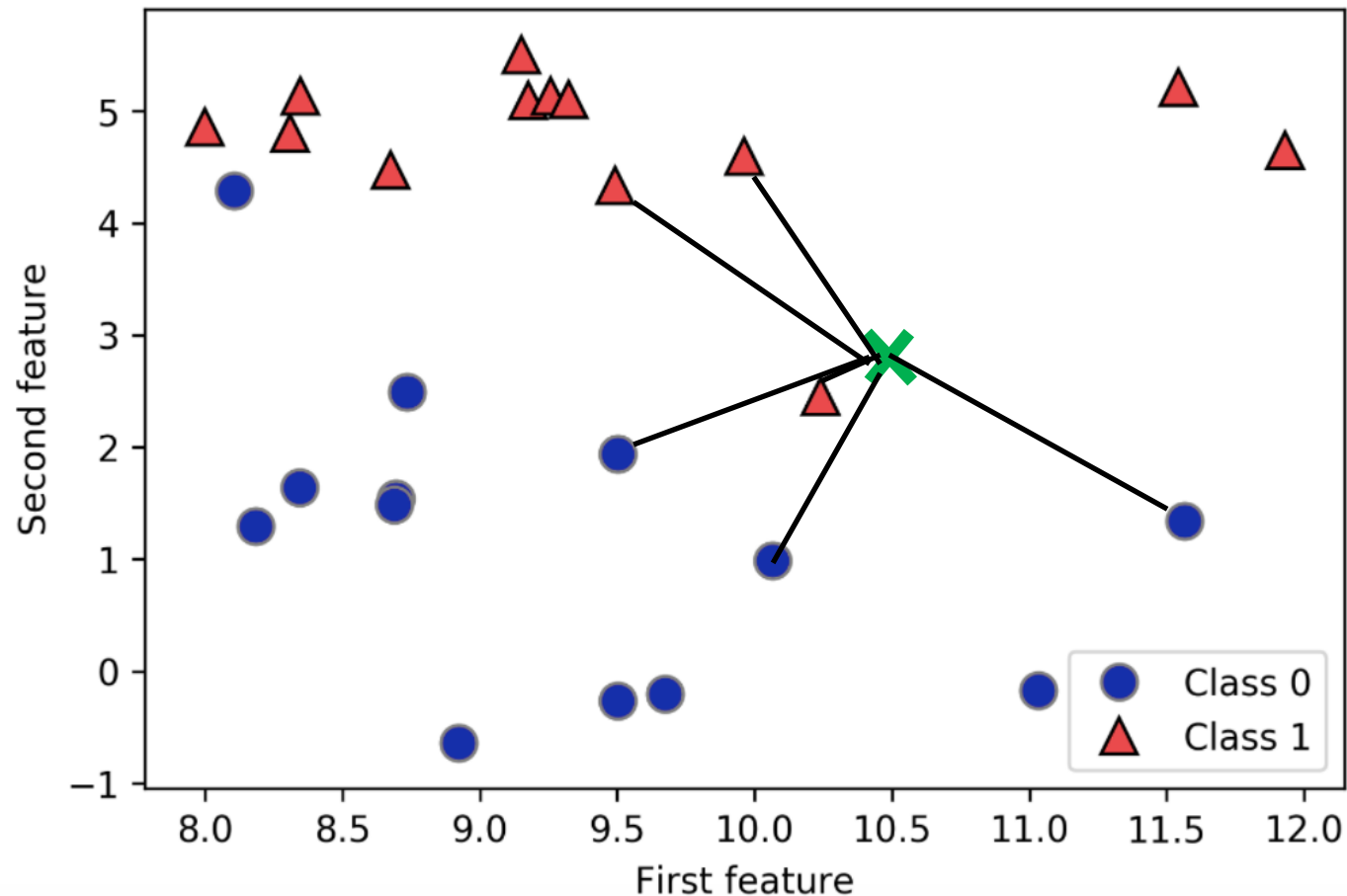


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# K-Nearest Neighbor Classification

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- Predict:
  - When  $k = 1$ :
    - Class 1
  - When  $k = 6$ :
    - How to avoid ties?
      - Set “k” to odd value for binary problems
      - Prefer “closer” neighbors

# K-Nearest Neighbors: Measuring Distance

How to measure distance between a novel example and test example?

- Commonly use, Minkowski distance:

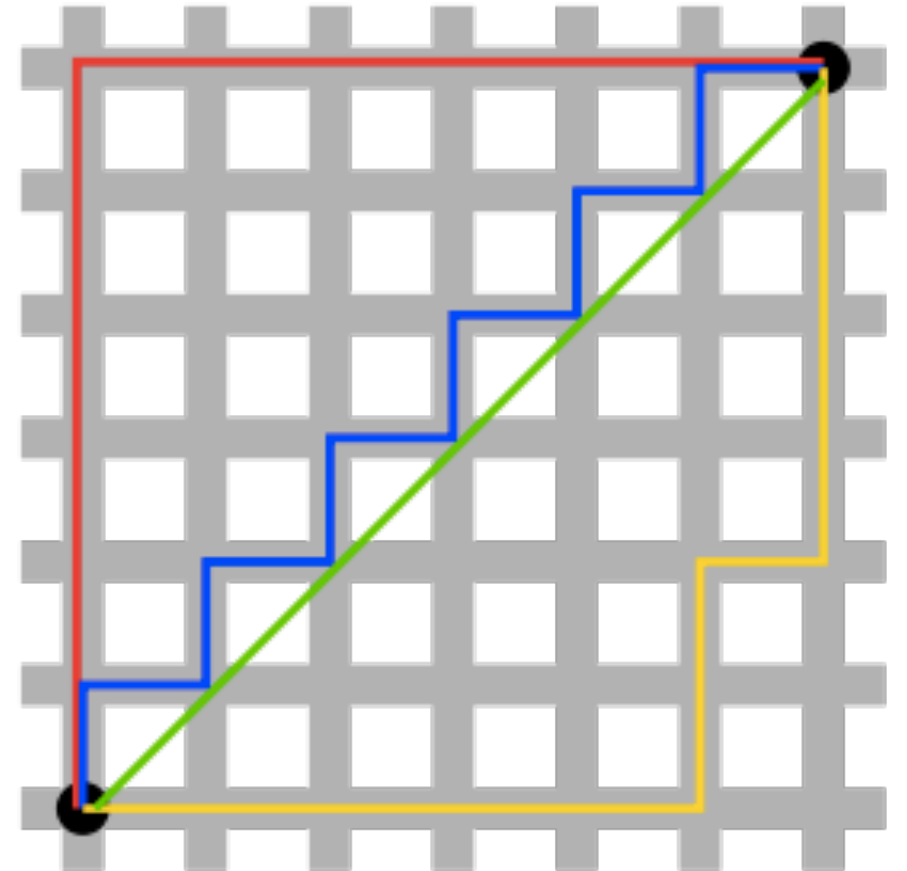
$$D(X, Y) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - y_i|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

- When  $p = 2$ , **Euclidean** distance:

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

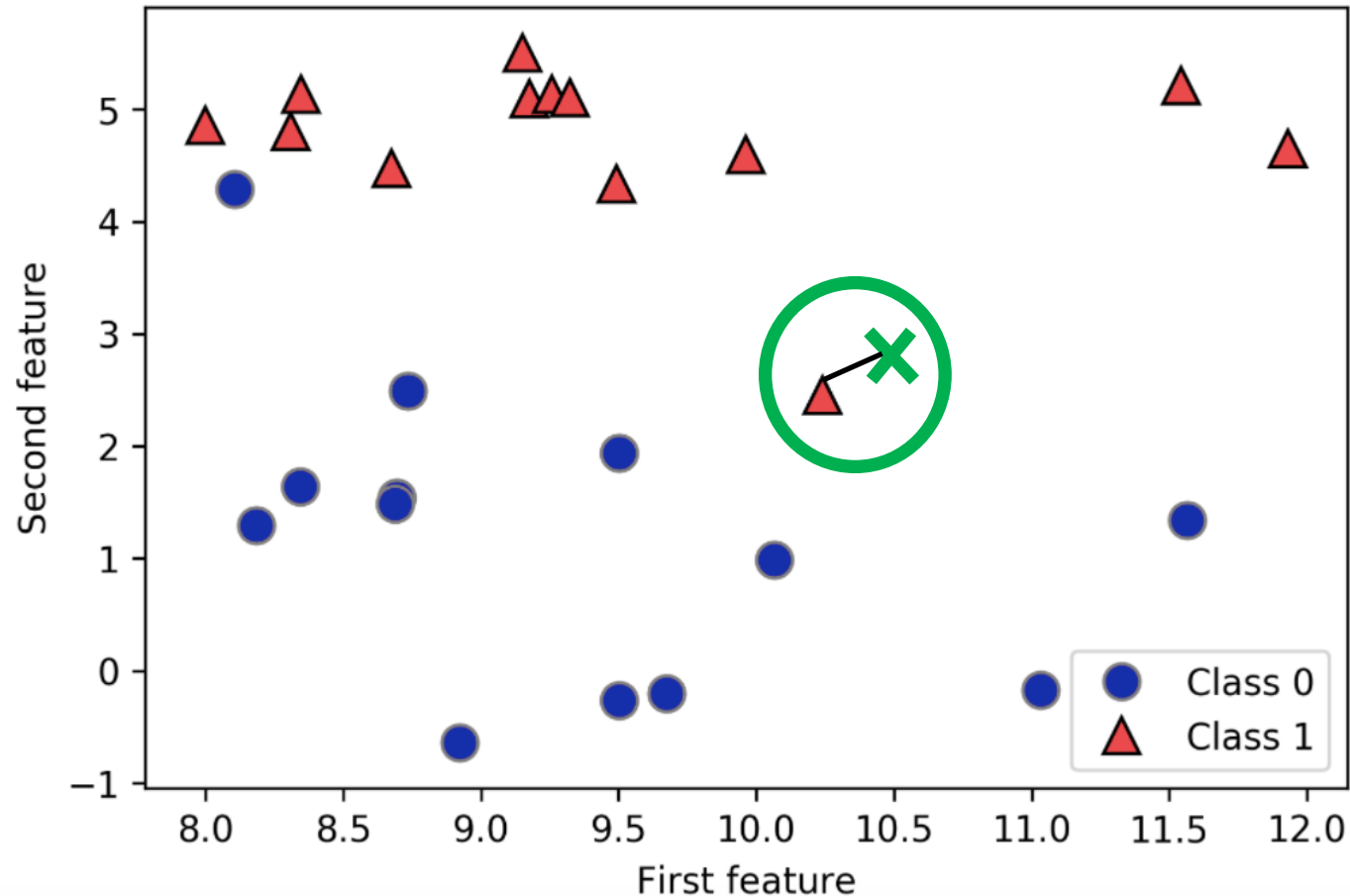
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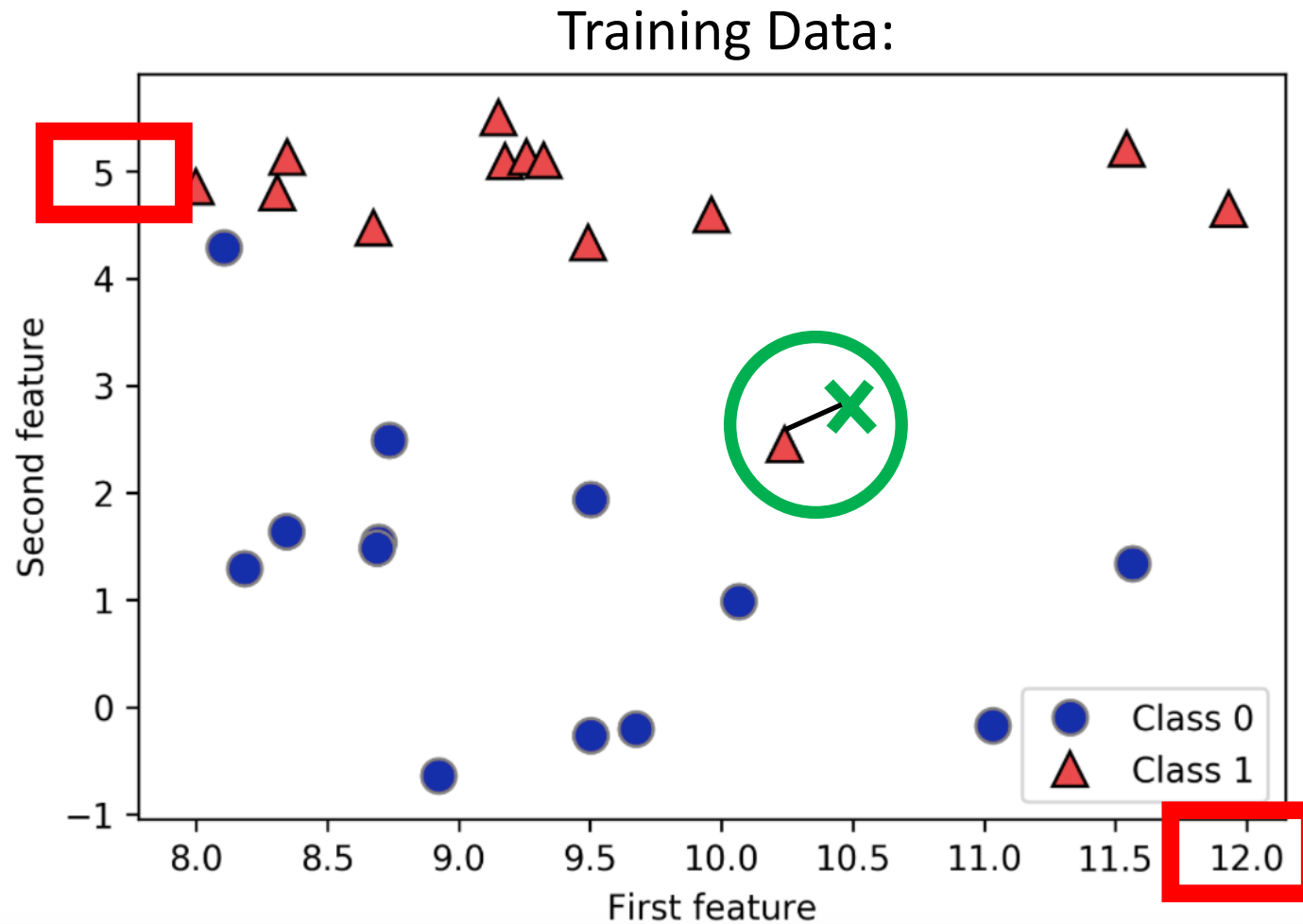
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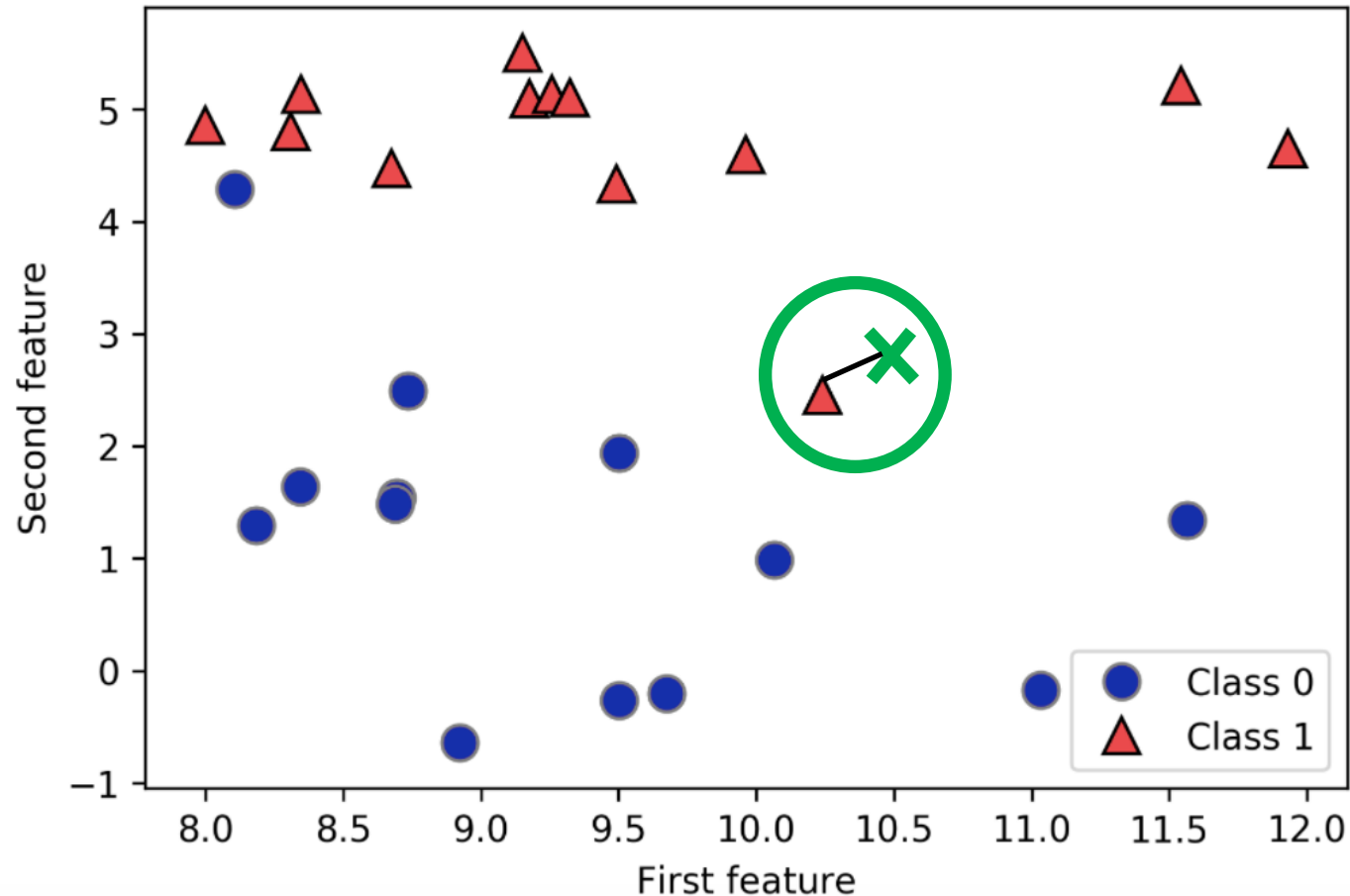
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## Manhattan Distance

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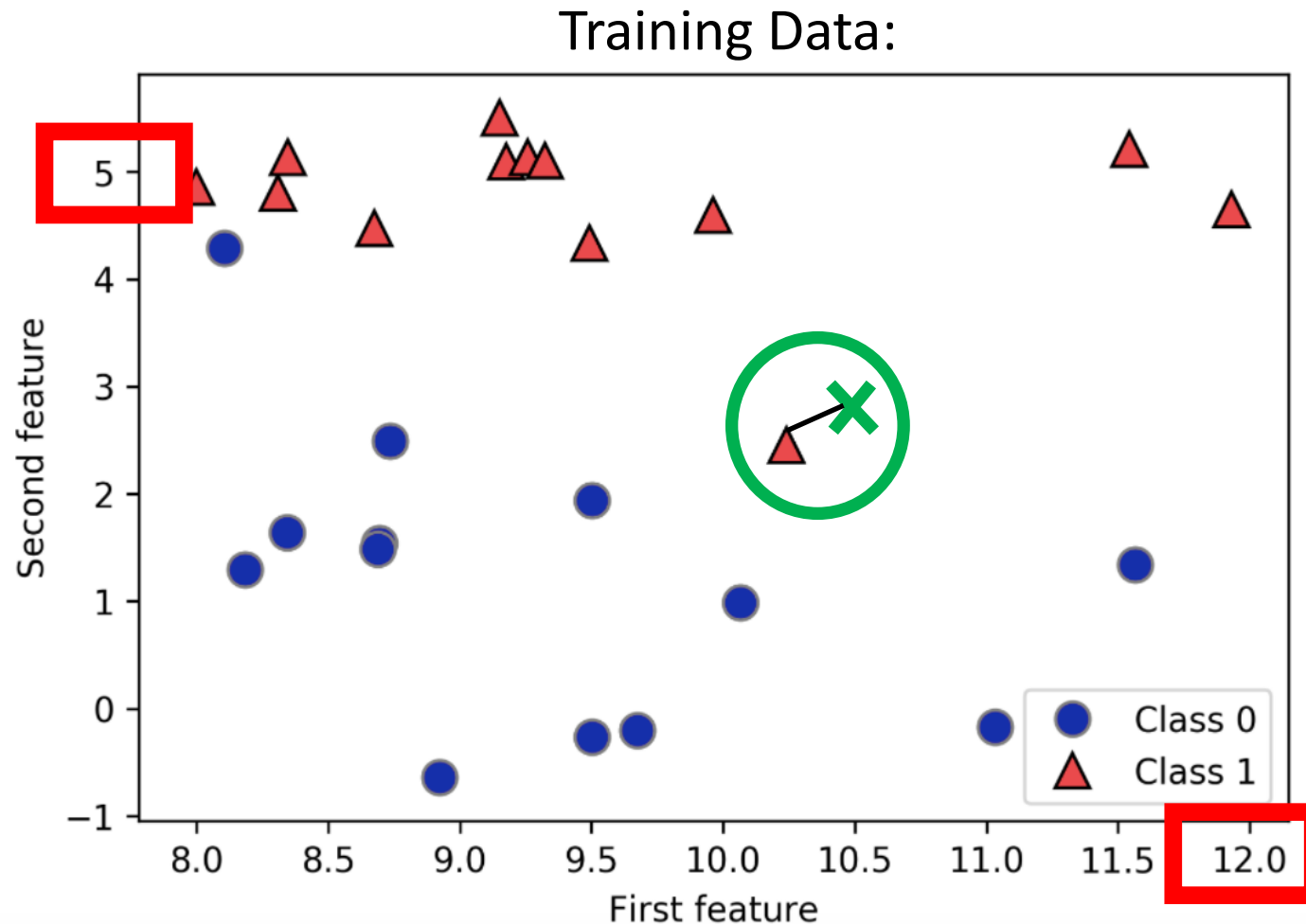
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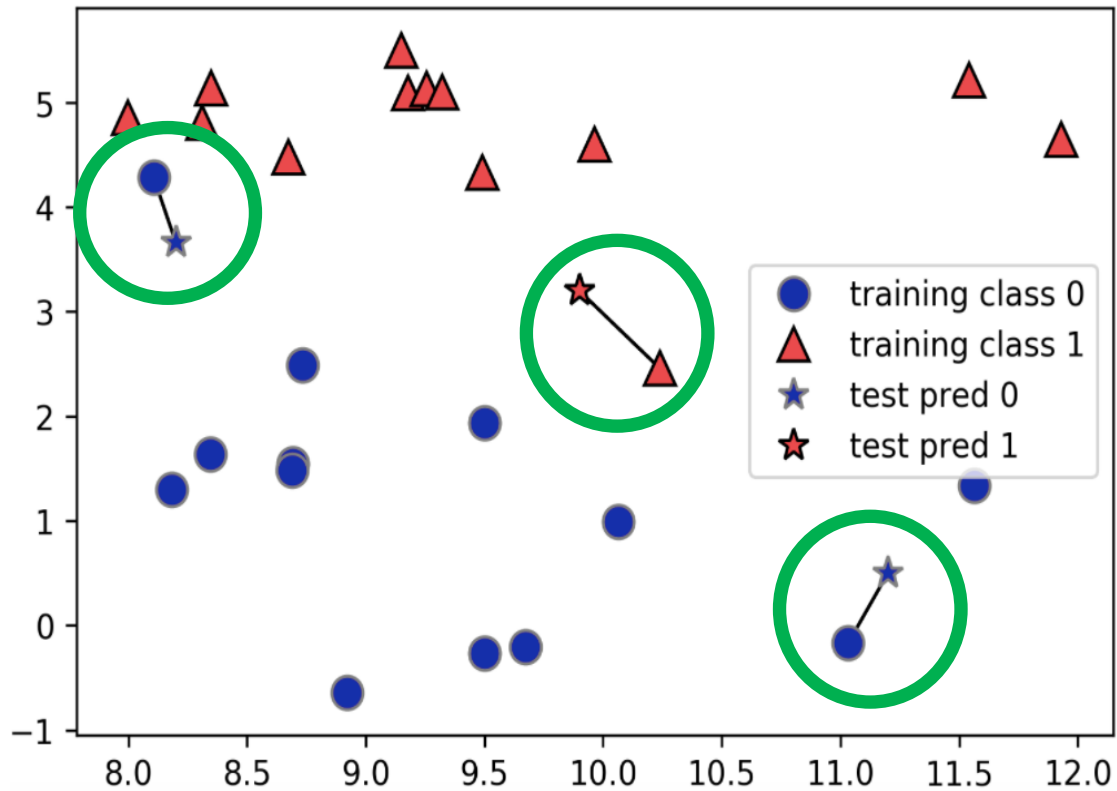
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How to measure distance for novel categorical test data?

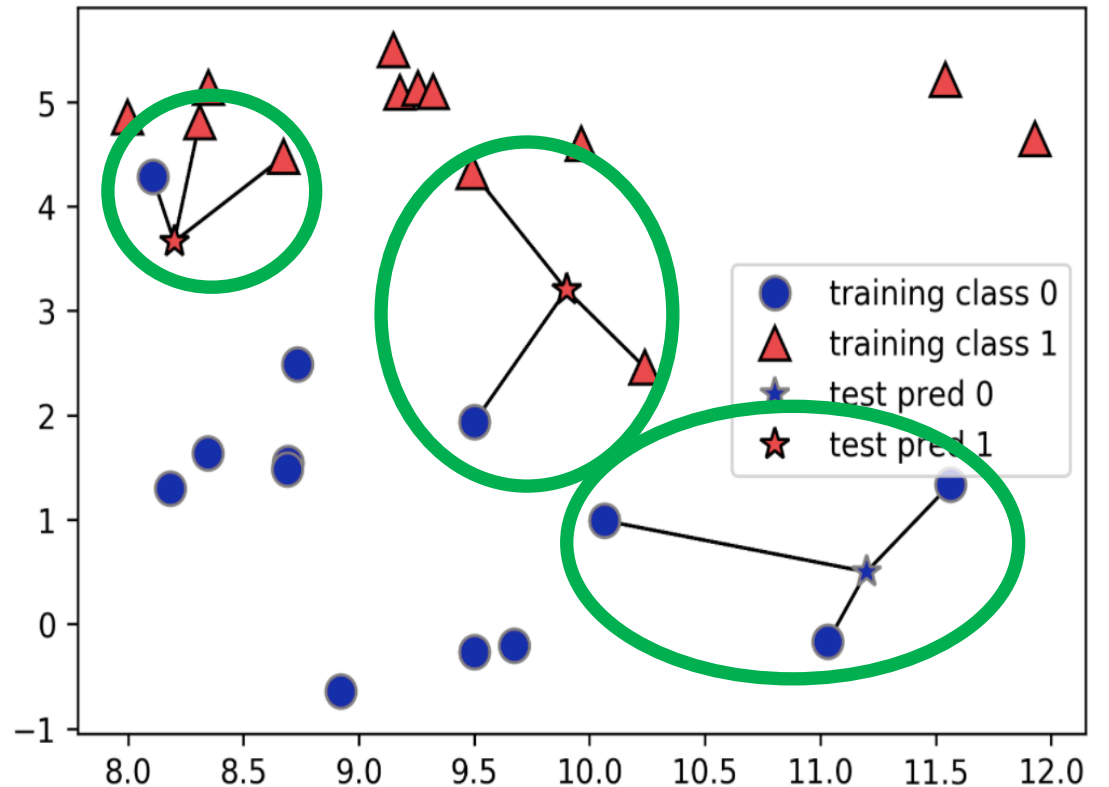
- e.g., Train = blue
- e.g., Test = blue; identical values so assign distance 0
- **e.g., Test = white; different values so assign distance 1**

# K-Nearest Neighbor Classification: What “K”?

When K=1:

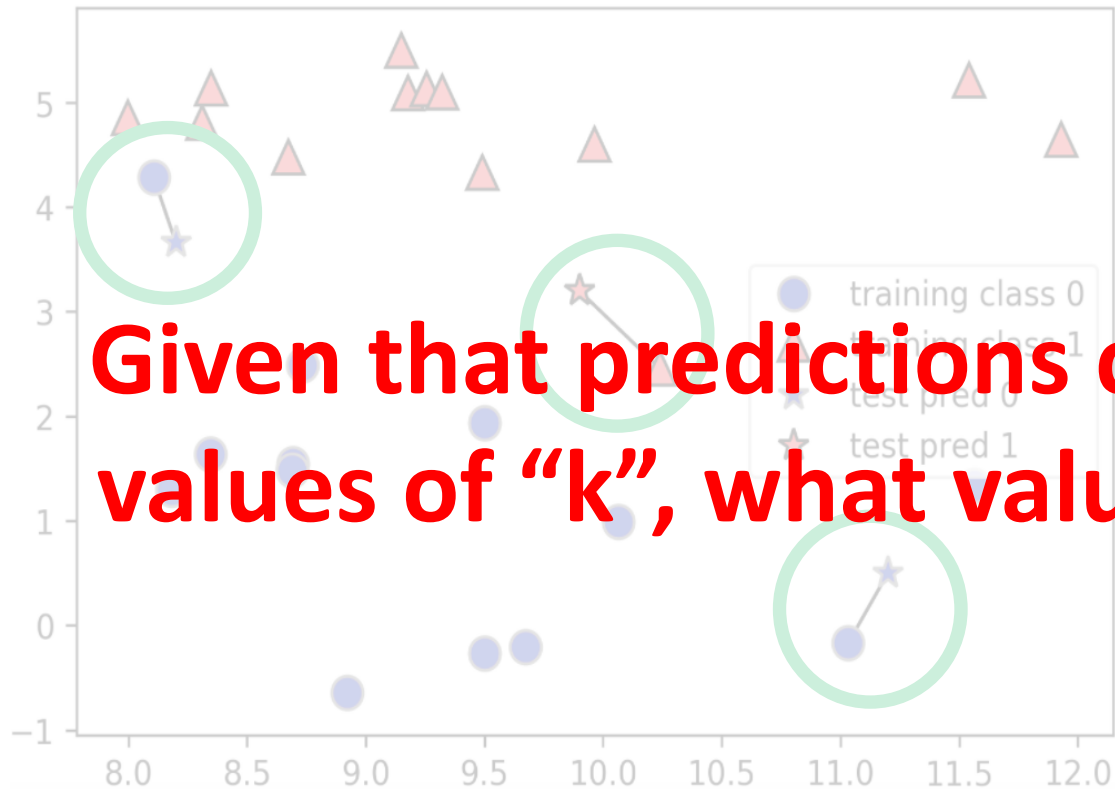


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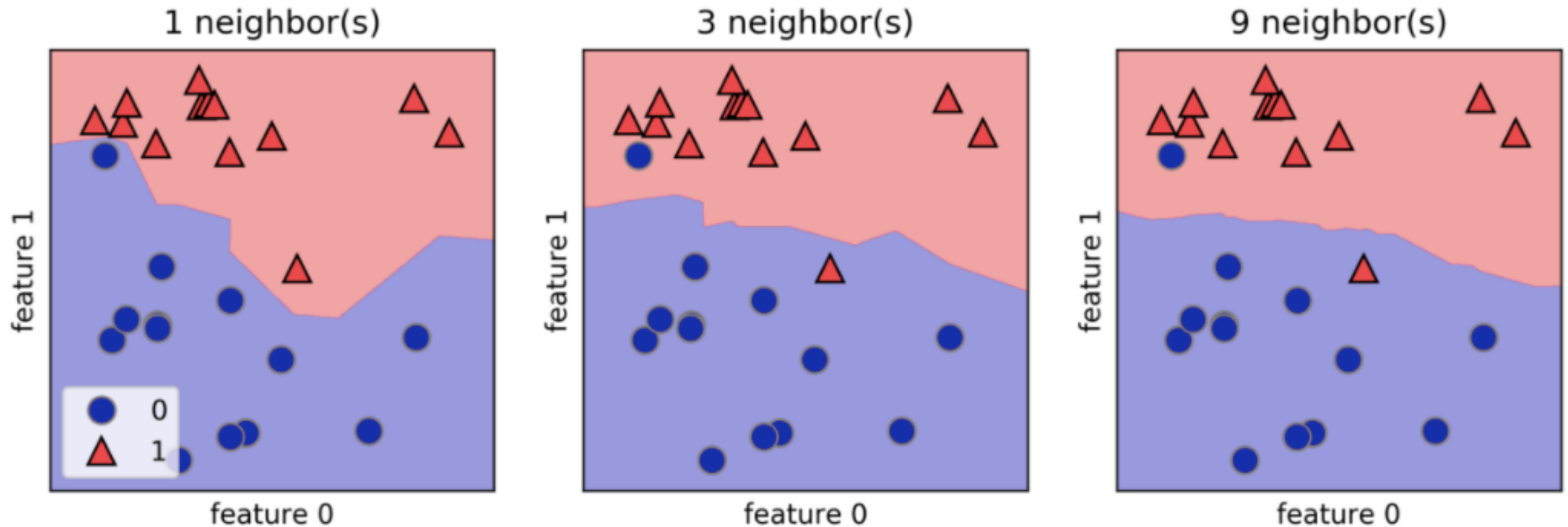


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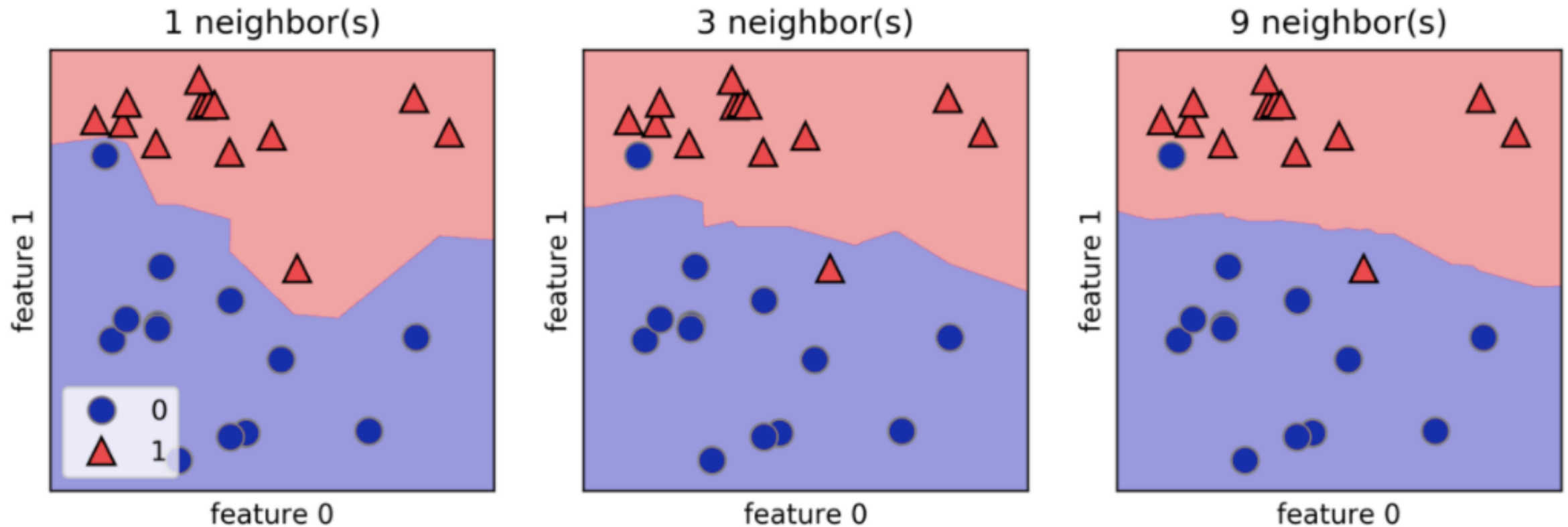
**Given that predictions can change with different values of “k”, what value of “k” should one use?**

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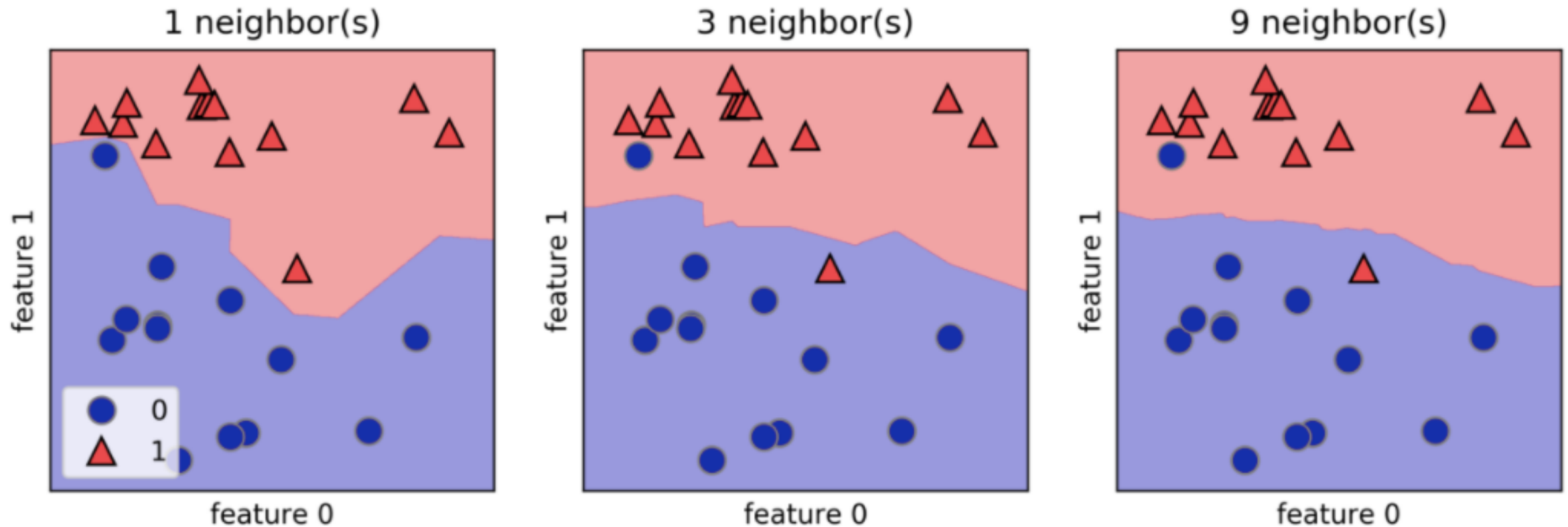
**What happens to the decision boundary as “k” grows?**

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**What happens when “k” equals the training data size?**

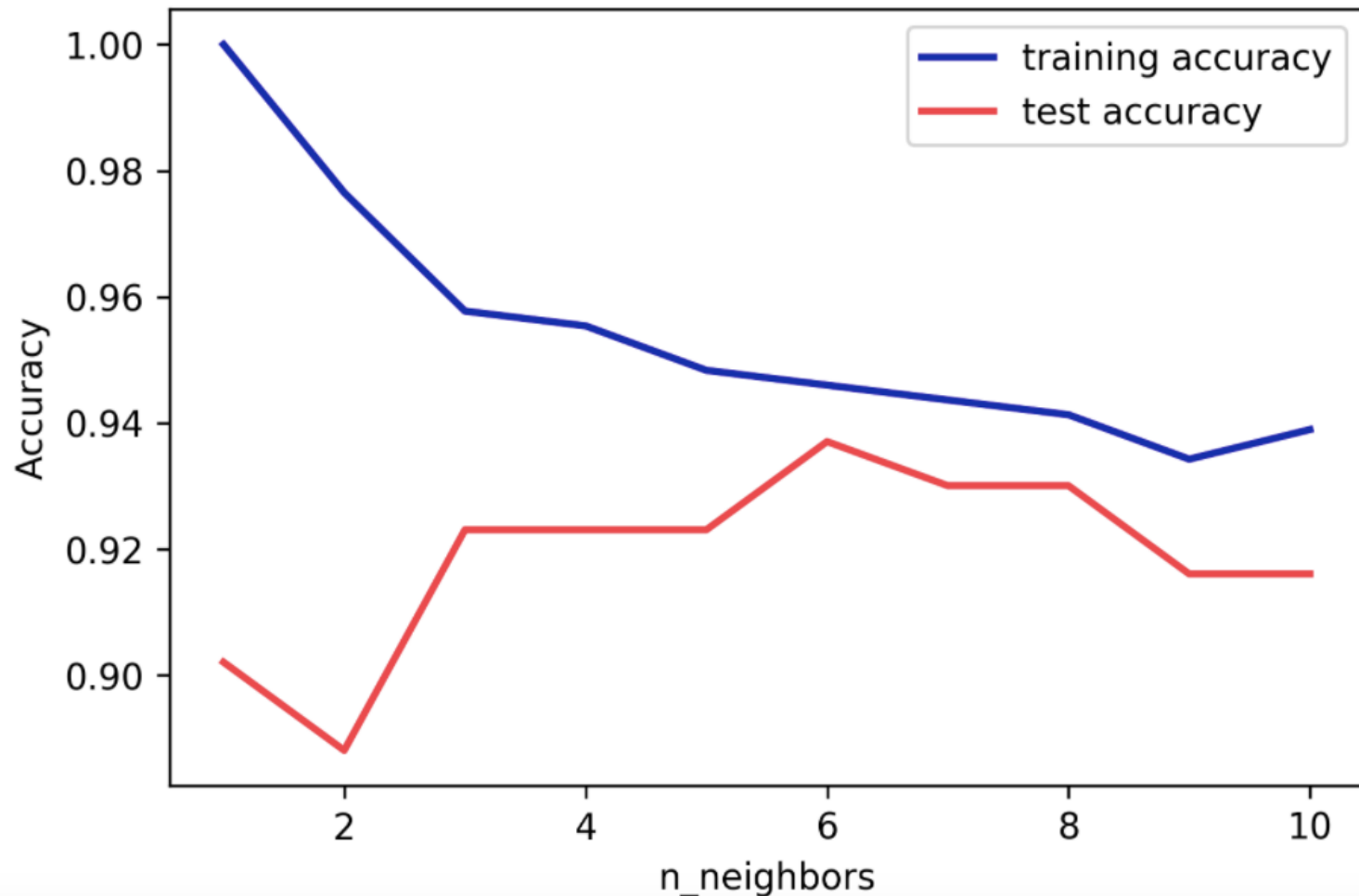
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(Higher Model Complexity)

(Lower Model Complexity)

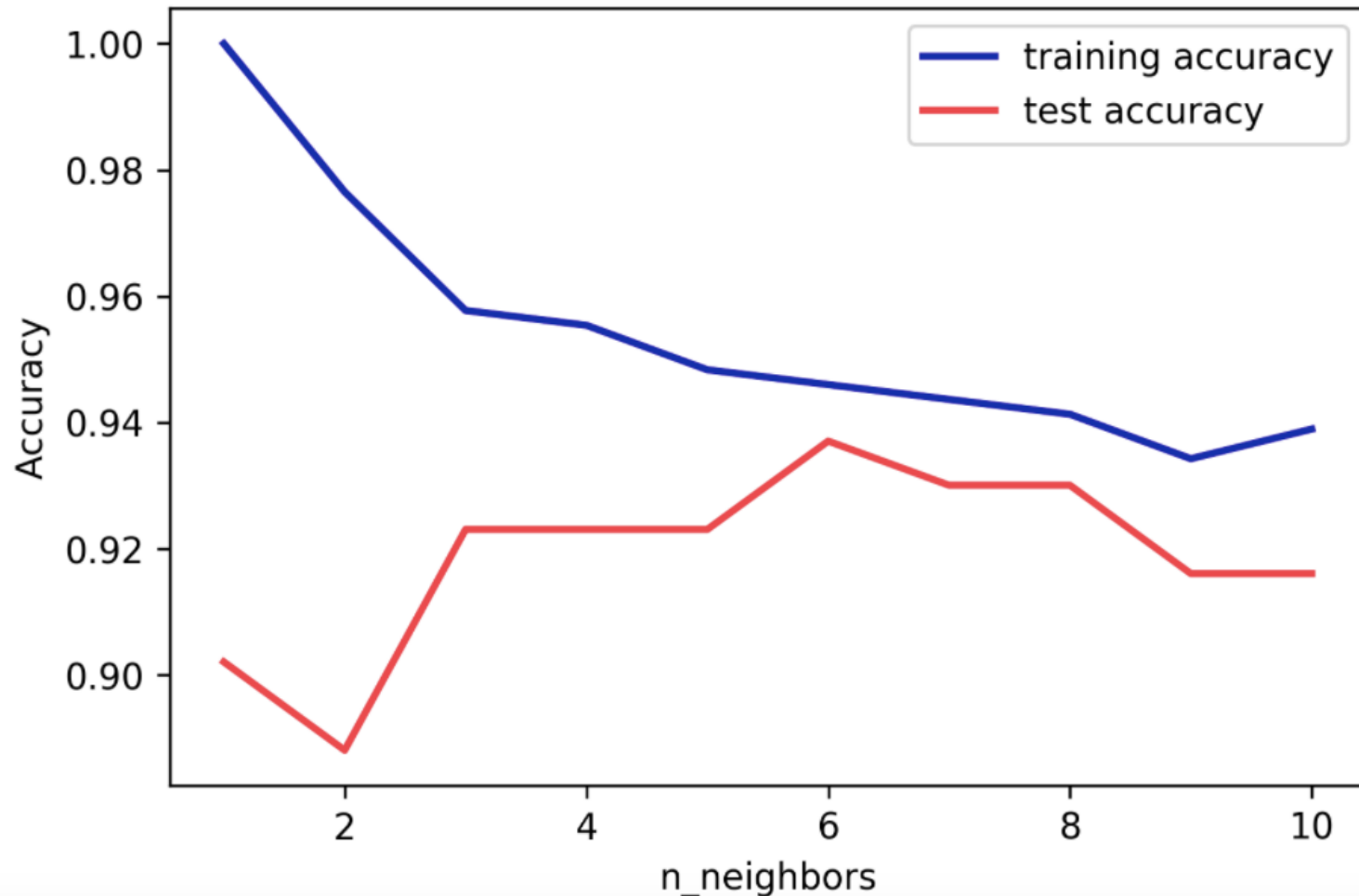
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At what value for “k” is model overfitting the most?

**k = 1**

# K-Nearest Neighbor Classification: What “K”?



What is the best value for “k”?

**k = 6**



# K-Nearest Neighbor: How to Use to Predict More than Two Classes?

- Tally number of examples belonging to each class and again choose the majority vote winners

# What are Strengths of KNN?

- Adapts as new data is added
- Training is relatively fast
- Easy to understand

# What are Weaknesses of KNN?

- For large datasets, requires large storage space
- For large datasets, this approach can be very slow or infeasible
  - Note: can improve speed with efficient data structures such as KD-trees
- Vulnerable to noisy/irrelevant examples
- Sensitive to imbalanced datasets where more frequent class will dominate majority voting

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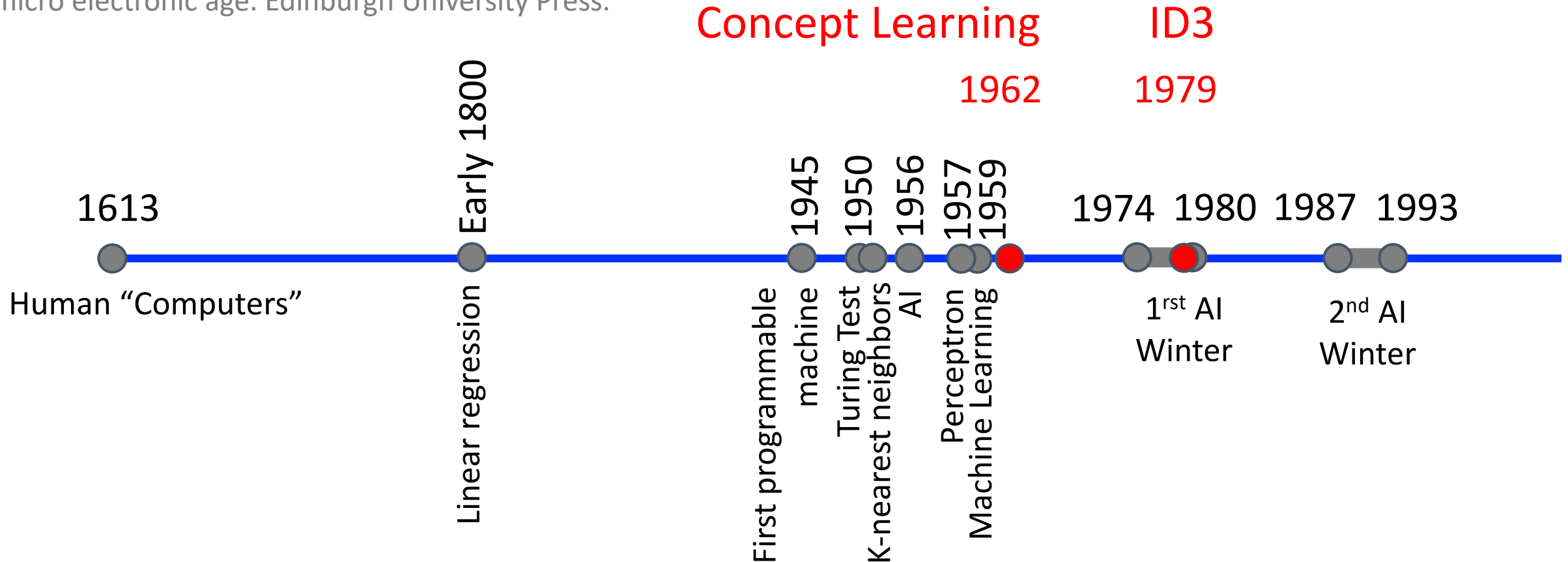
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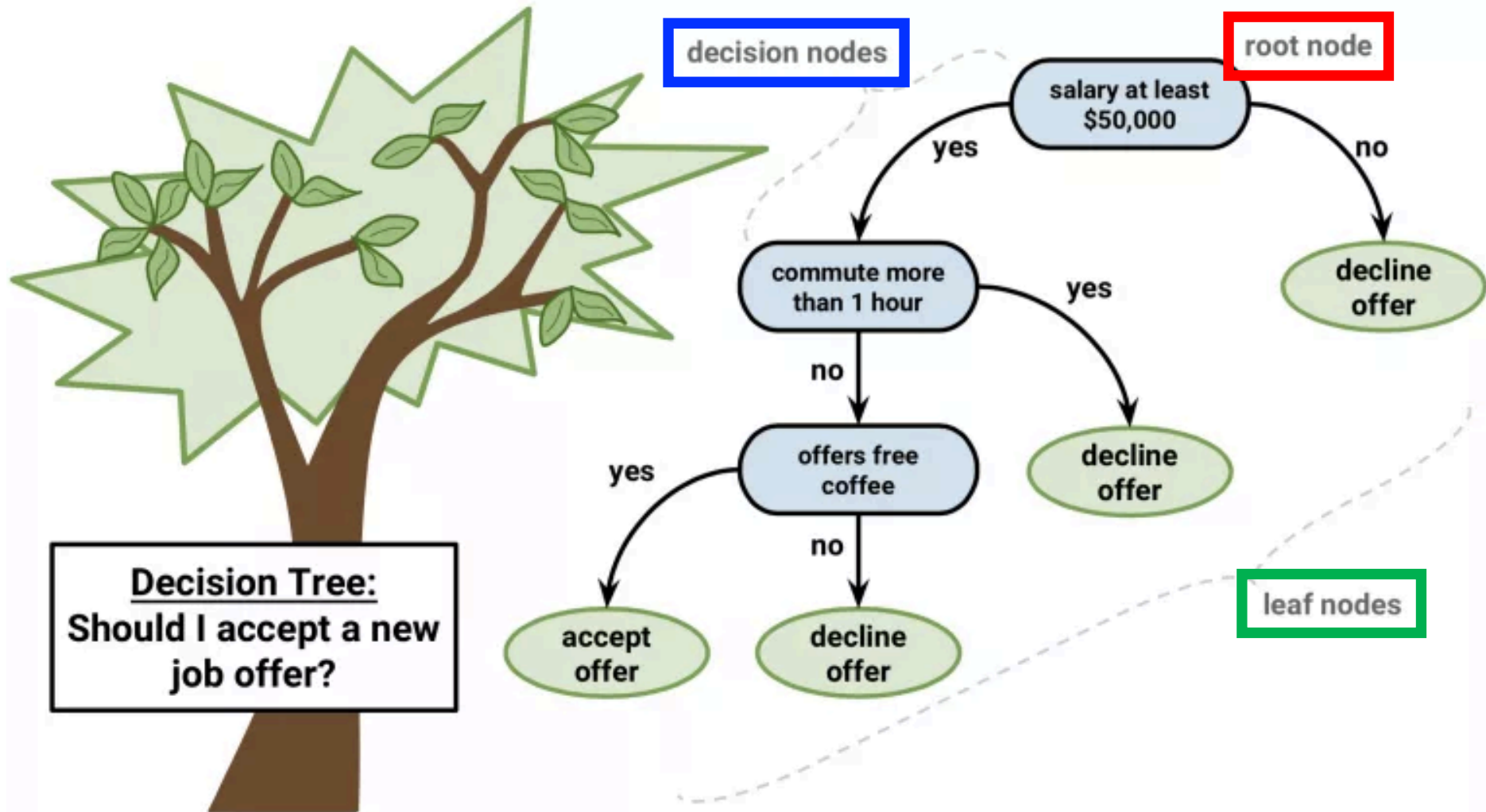
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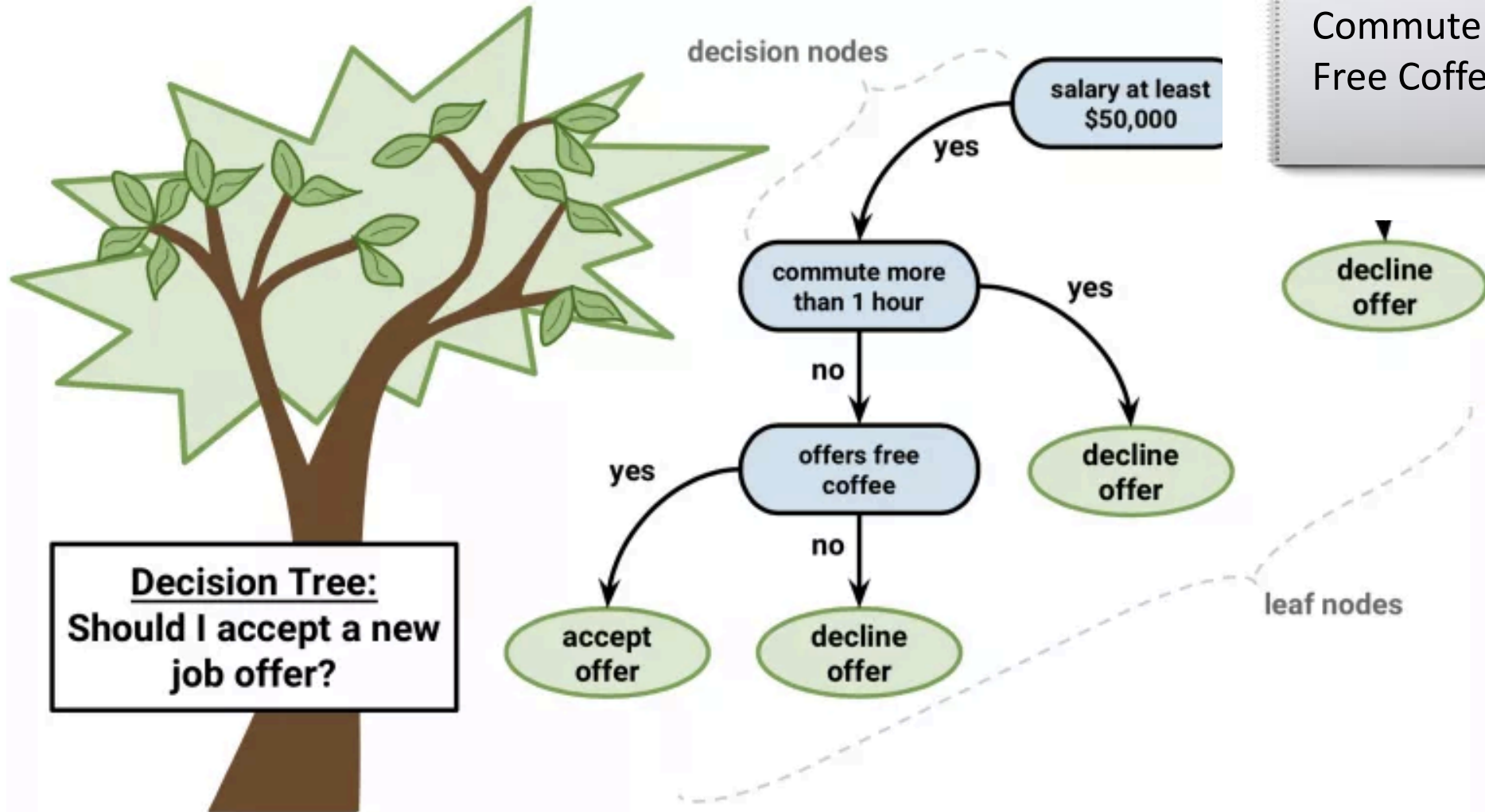
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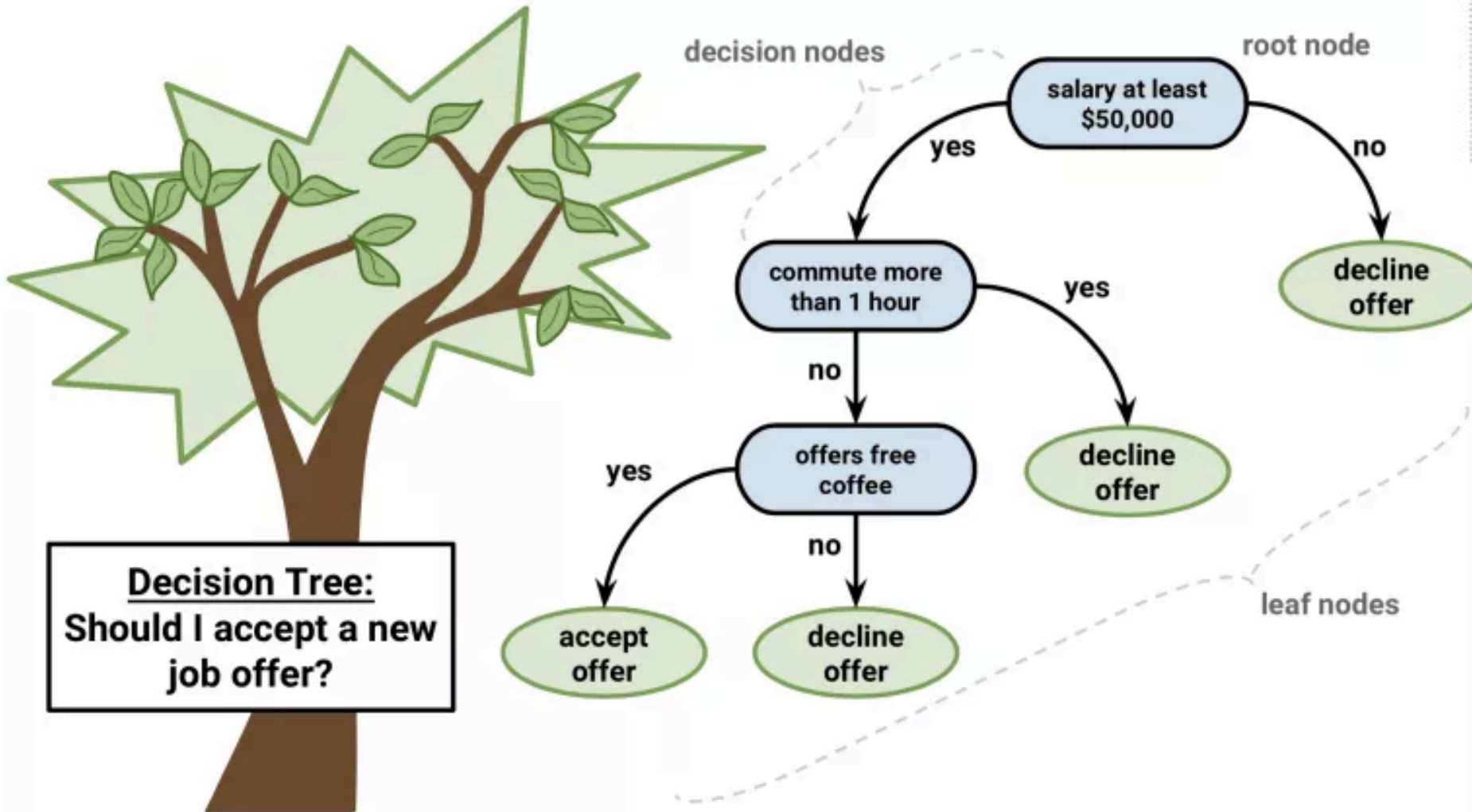
Salary: \$44,869  
Commute: 35 min  
Free Coffee: Yes



Test Example

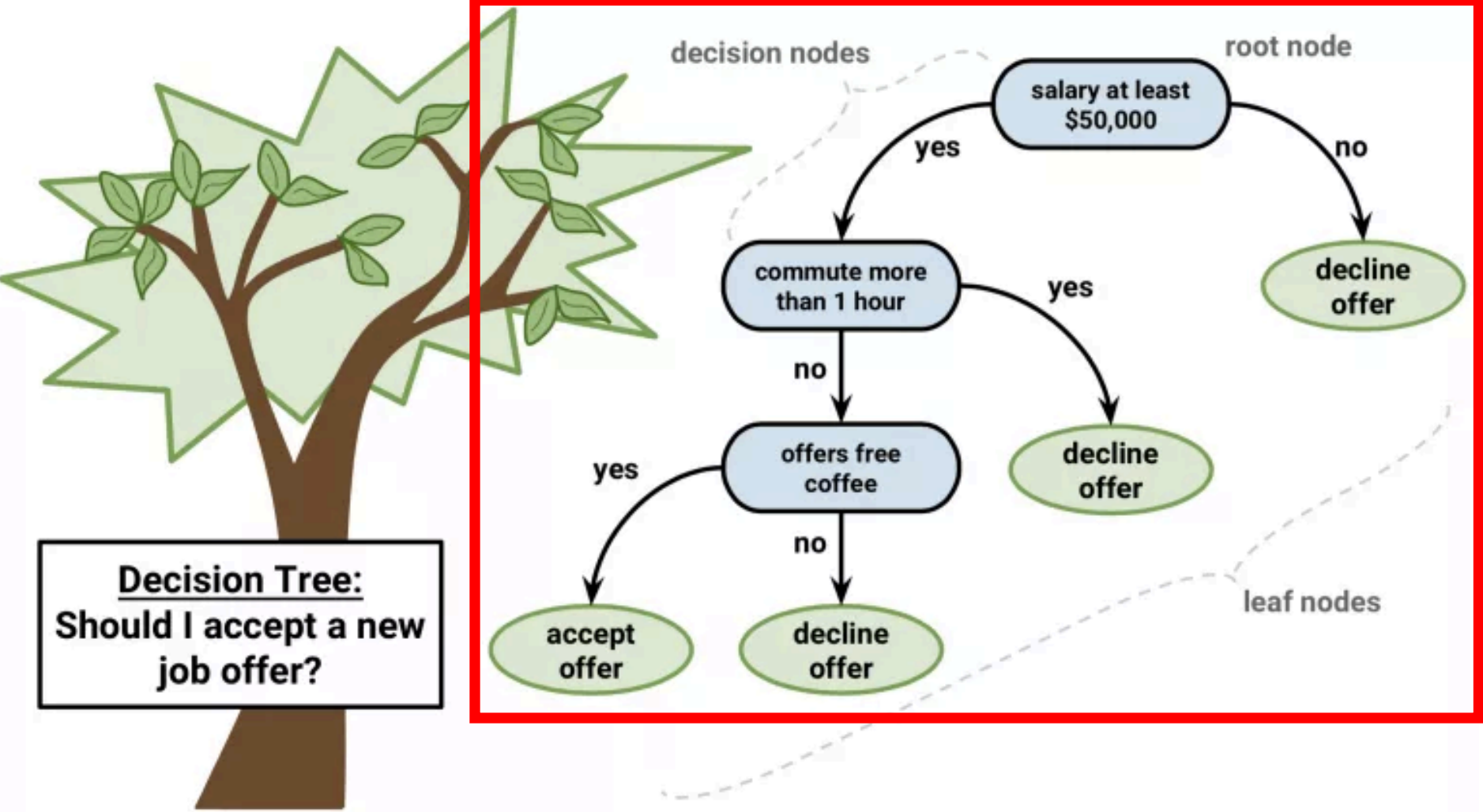
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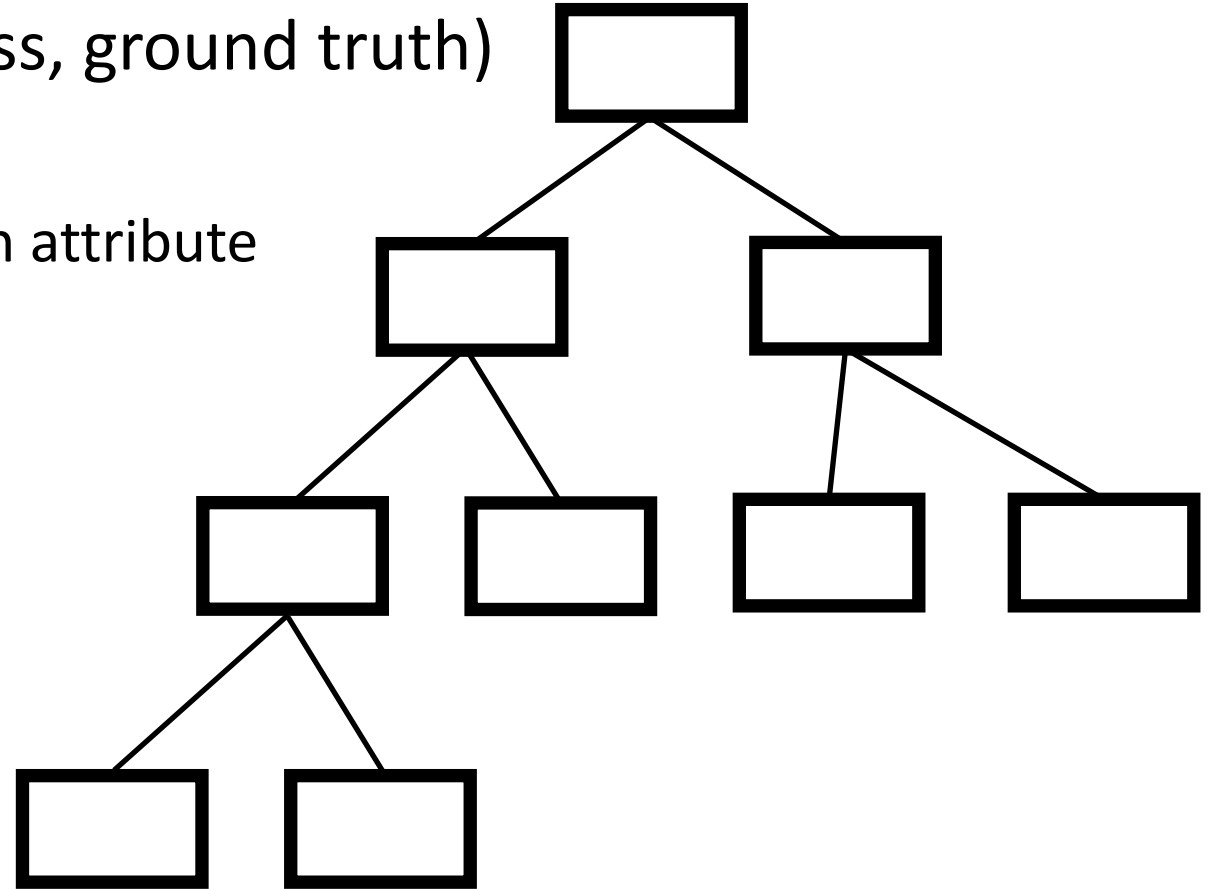
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Machine must learn to create a decision tree

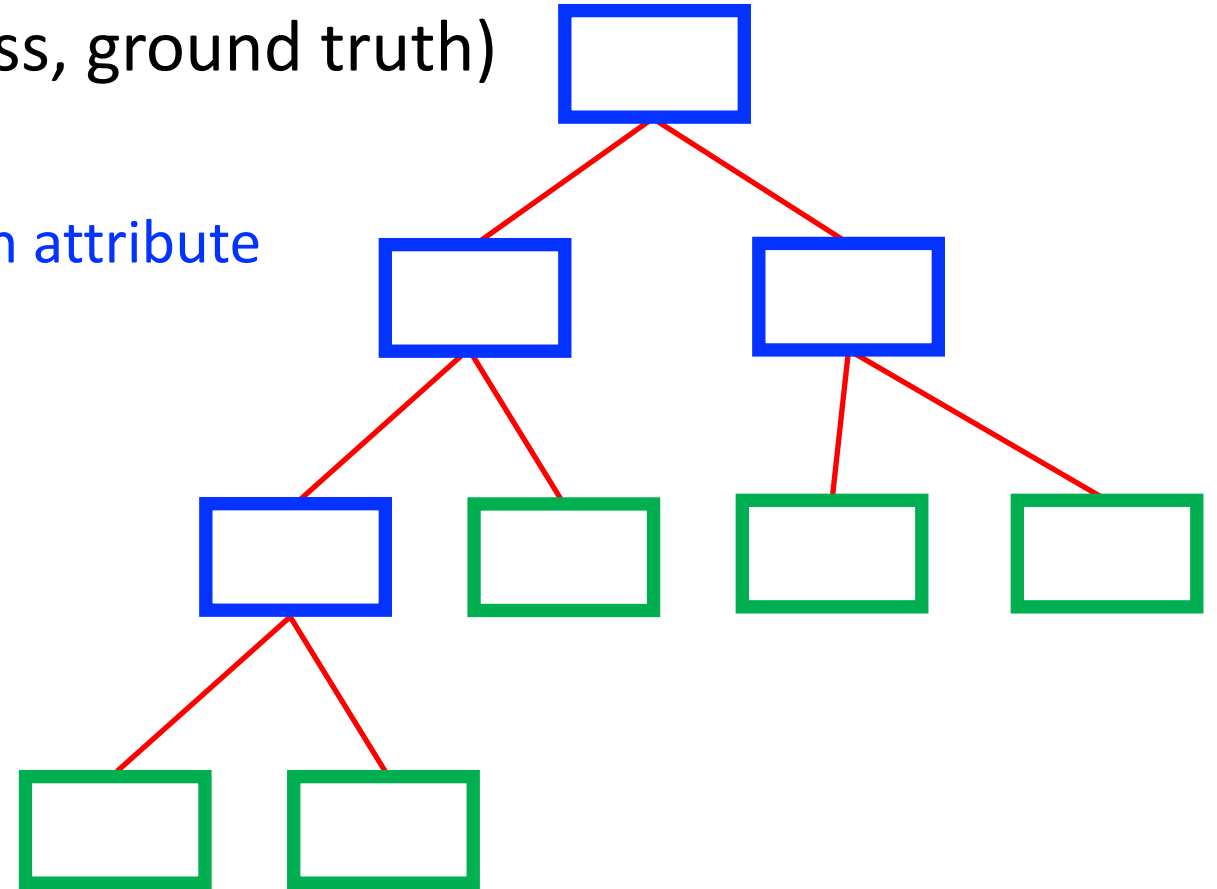
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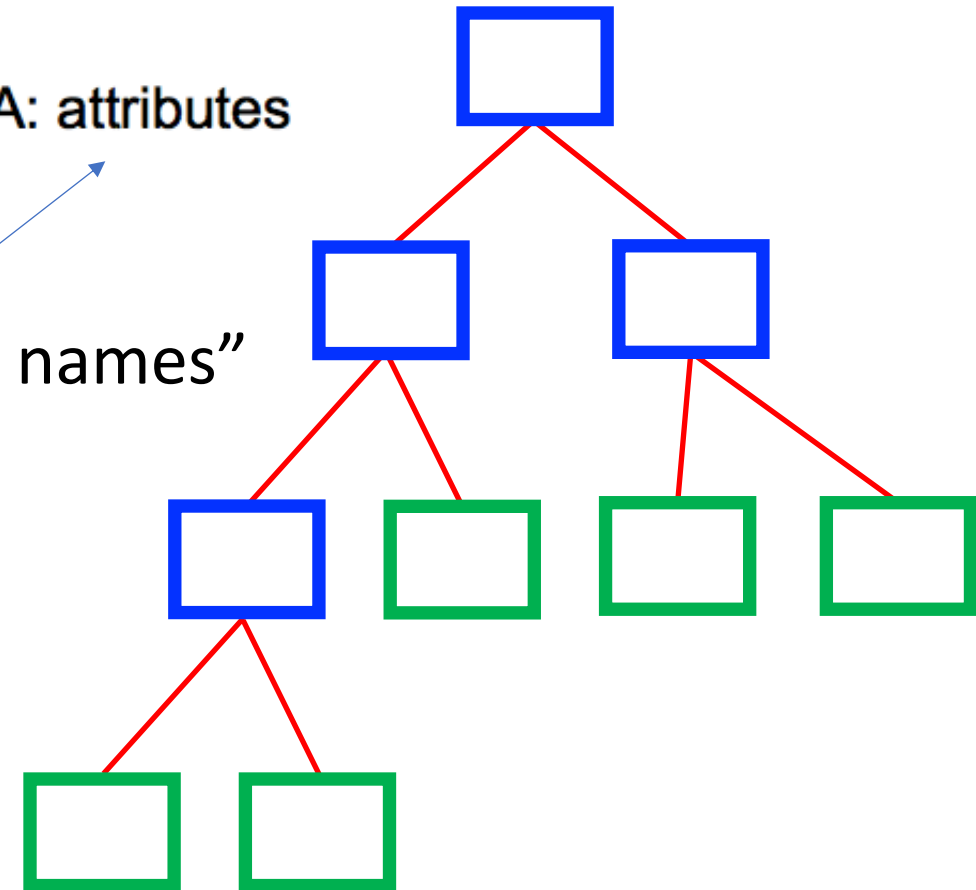
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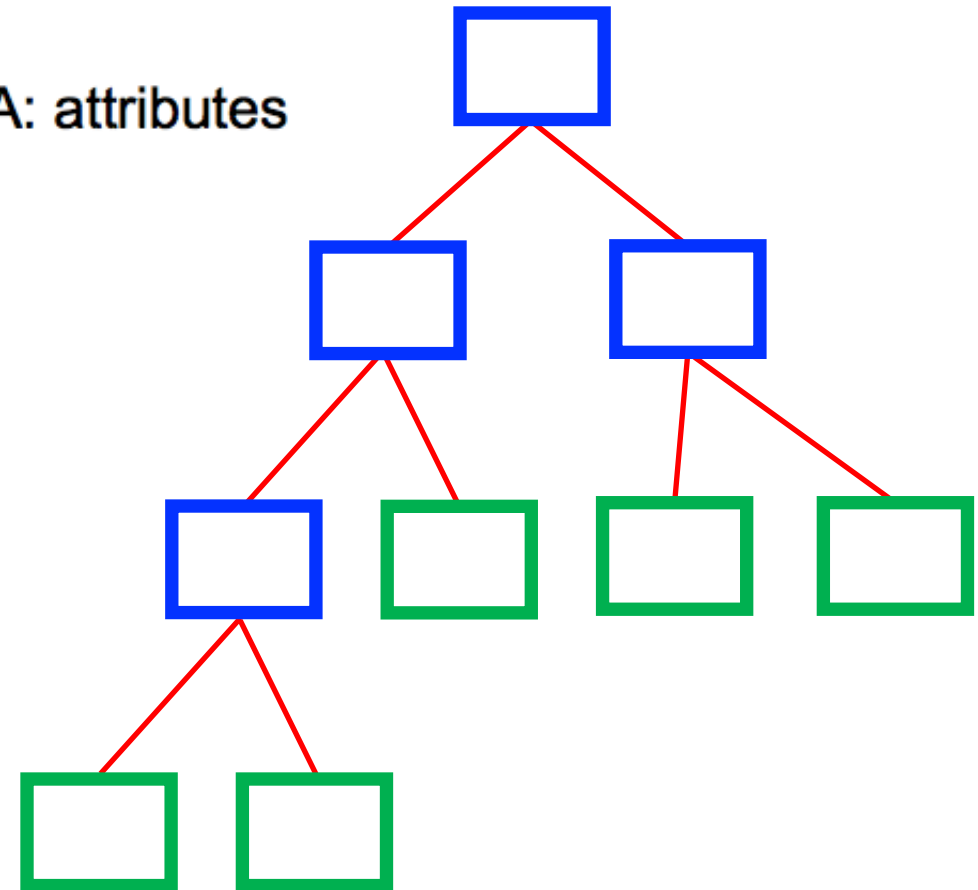
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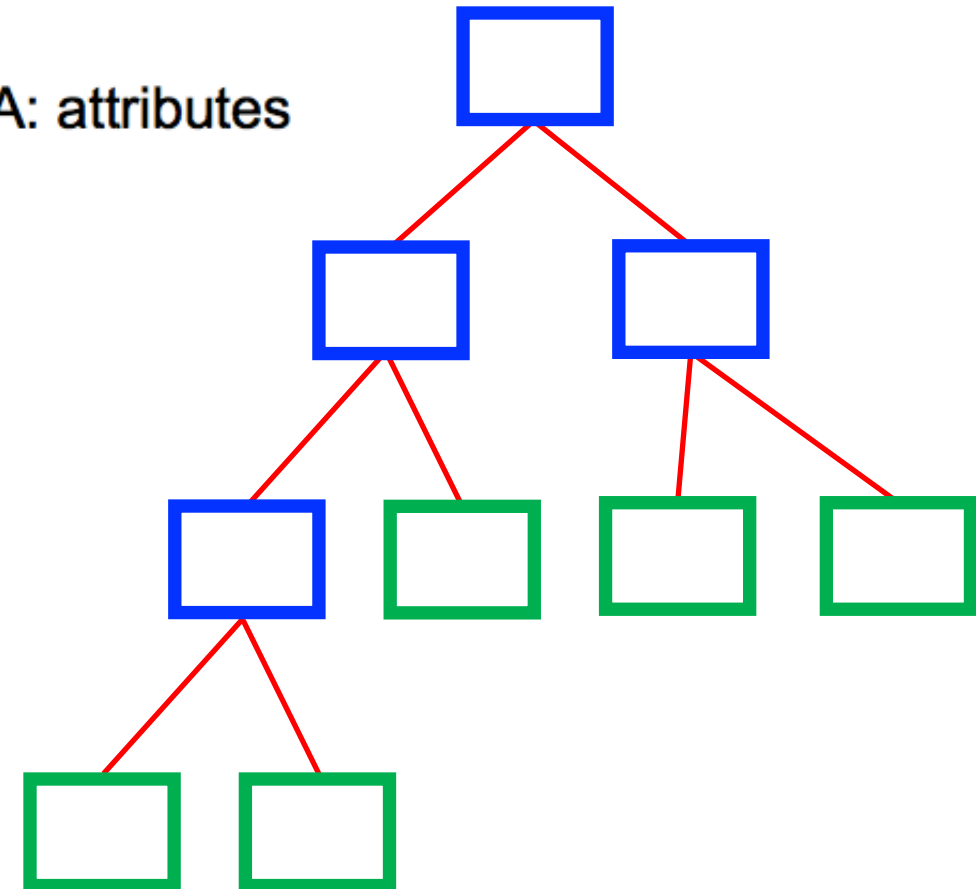
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LeftNode = BuildTree(n(a=1), A \ {a})

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end

end



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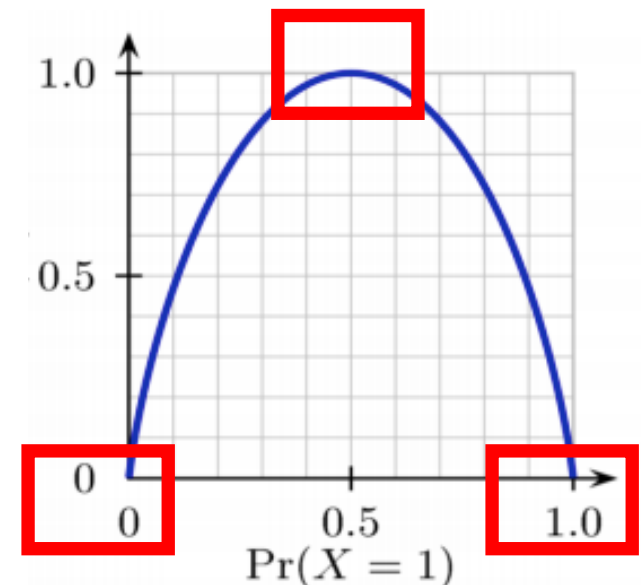
Number of classes

Encodes in bits

Fraction of examples belonging to class  $i$

In a binary setting,

- Entropy is 0 when fraction of examples belonging to a class is 0 or 1
- Entropy is 1 when fraction of examples belonging to each class is 0.5





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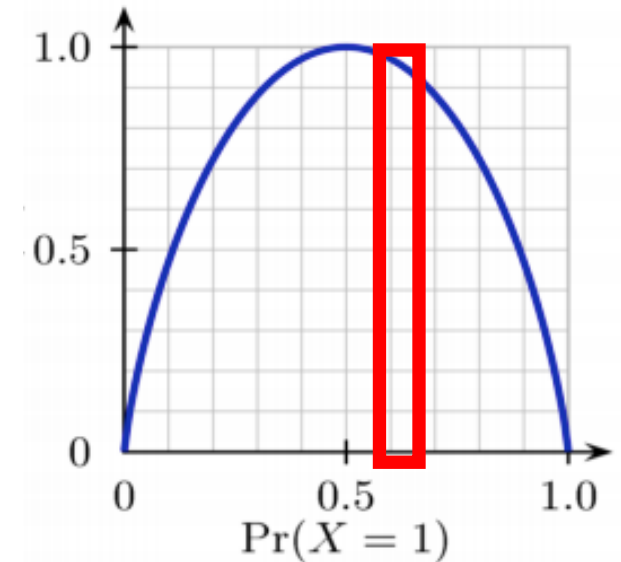
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- Let C1 = “Yes” and C2 = “No”
- Entropy if we split on “Type”?
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- Let C1 = “Yes” and C2 = “No”
- Entropy if we split on “Type”?
  - Left tree: “Comedy” = 0.92
  - Right tree: “Drama” = ?

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- Let C1 = “Yes” and C2 = “No”
- Entropy if we split on “Type”?
  - Left tree: “Comedy” = 0.92
  - Right tree: “Drama” = 0.97
- Information gain by split on “Type”?

$$IG = 0.95 - \left( \frac{3}{8} * 0.92 + \frac{5}{8} * 0.97 \right)$$
$$IG = 0$$



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  - Middle tree: “Medium” = ?

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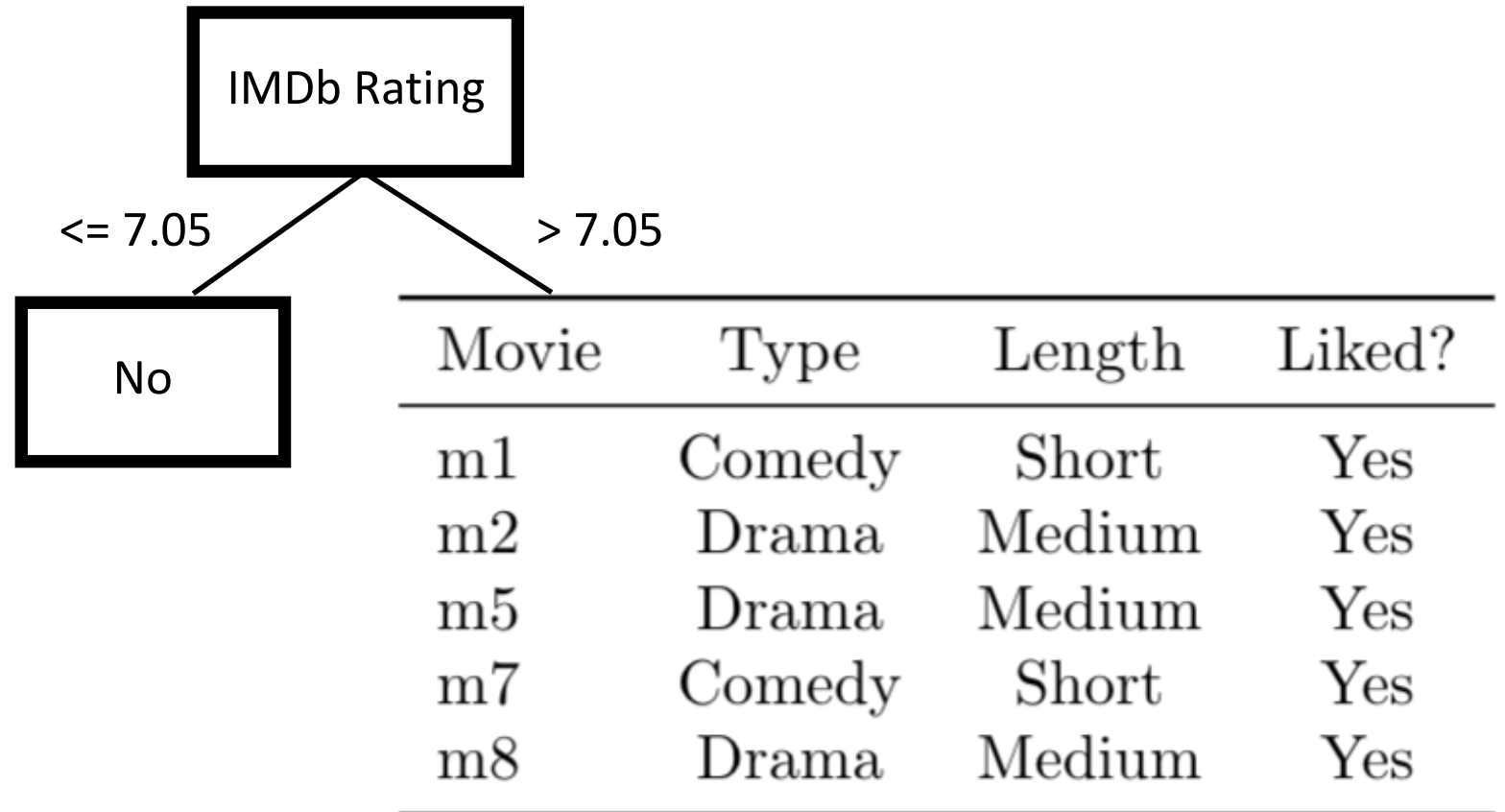
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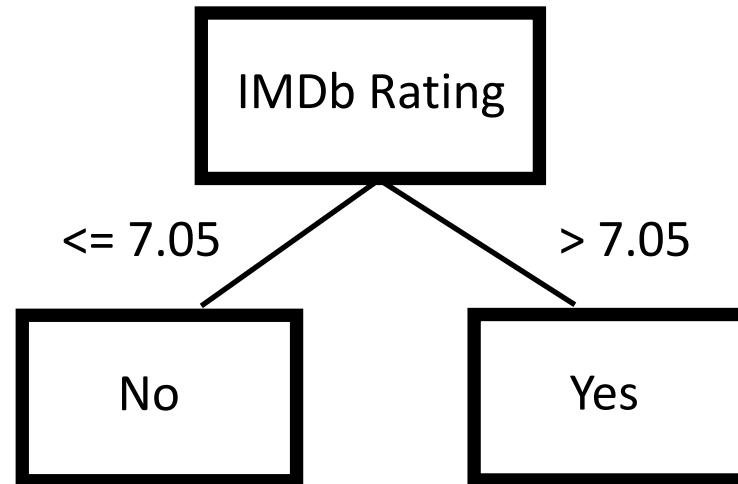
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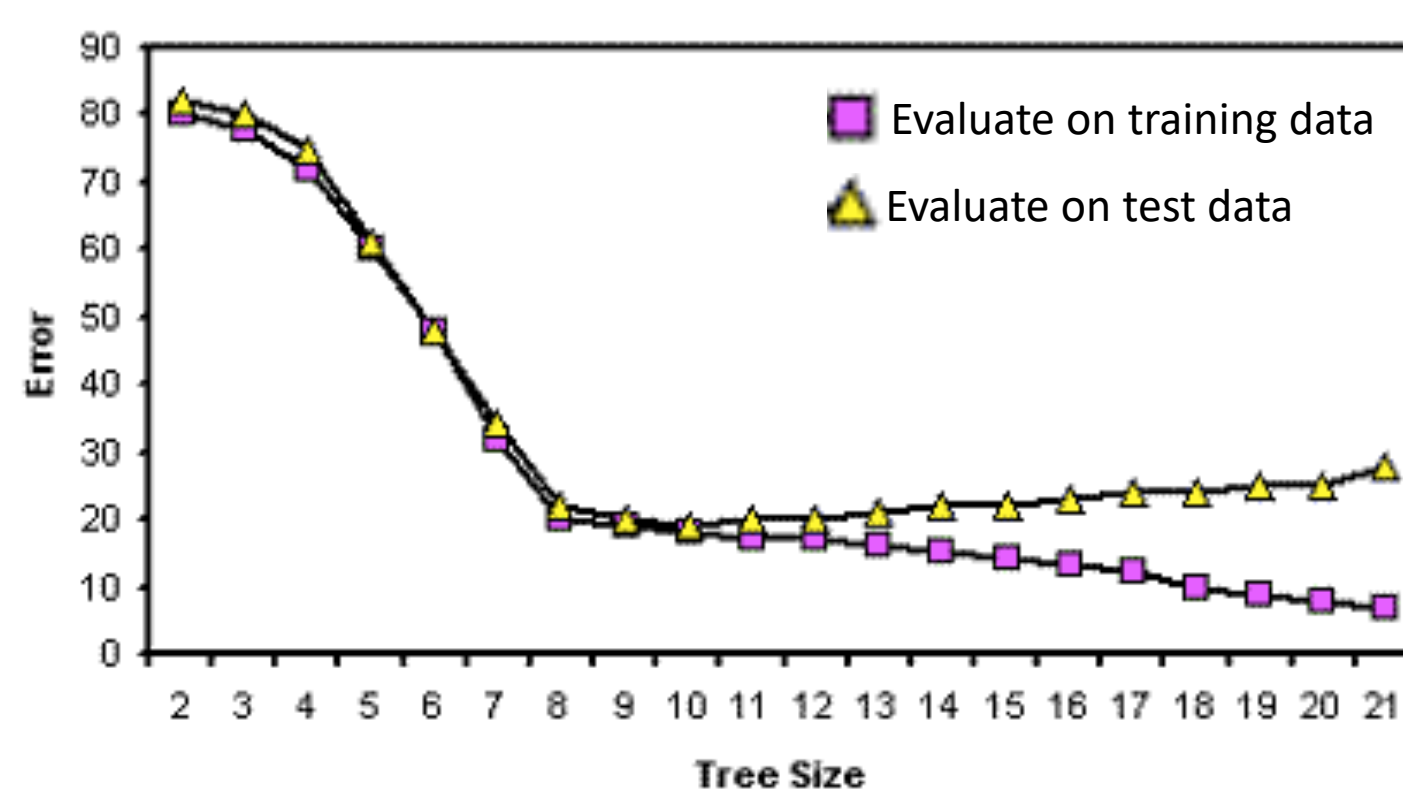
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end

- Entropy (maximize information gain)
- Gini Index (used in CART algorithm)
- Gain ratio (used in C4.5 algorithm)
- Mean squared error
- ...

# Overfitting

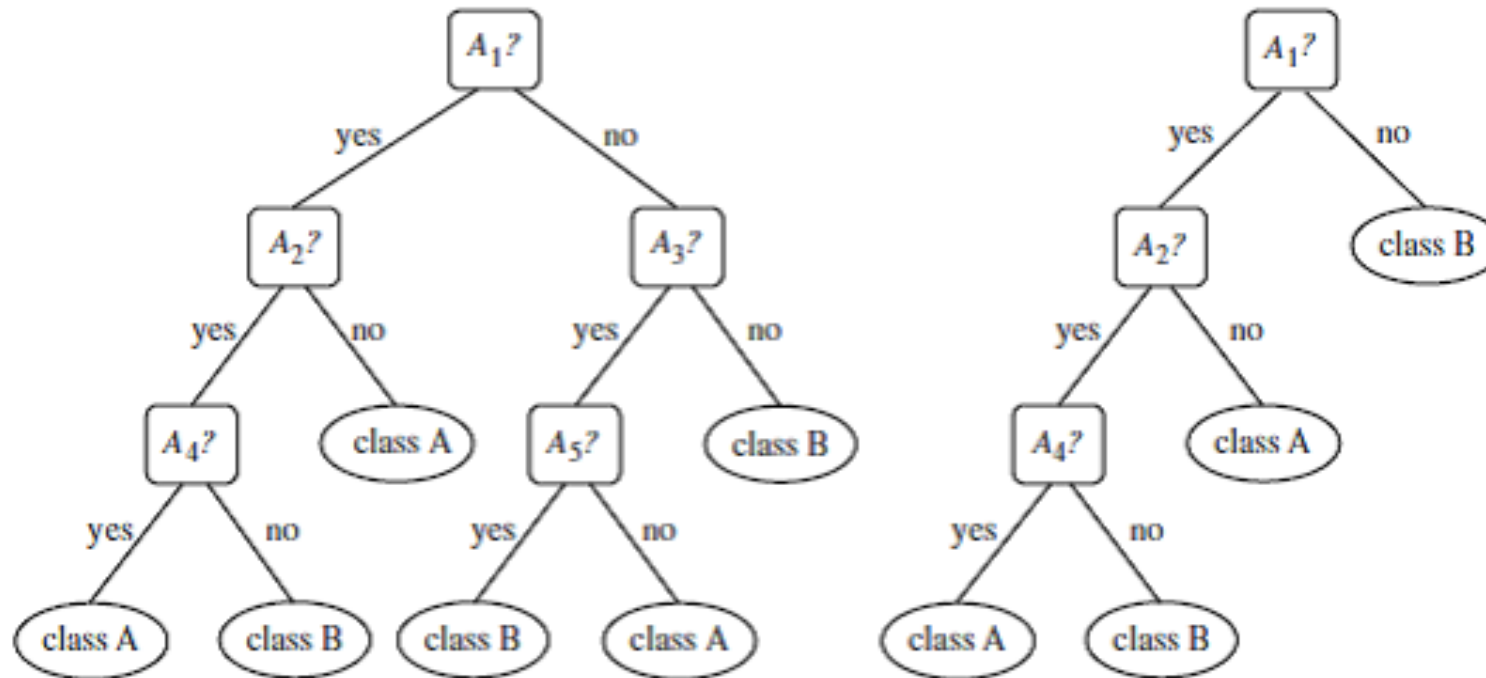
- At what tree size, does overfitting begin?





# Regularization to Avoid Overfitting

- Pruning
  - Pre-pruning: stop tree growth earlier
  - Post-pruning: prune tree afterwards



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# Class Discussion

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  - K-nearest neighbors
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