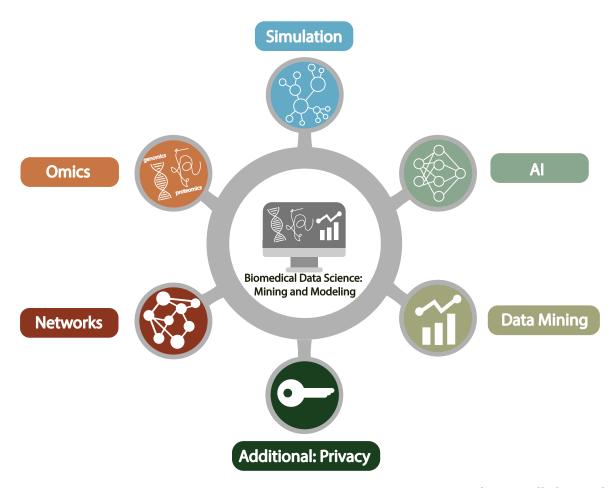
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Supervised Datamining – Decision Trees (23m8a)

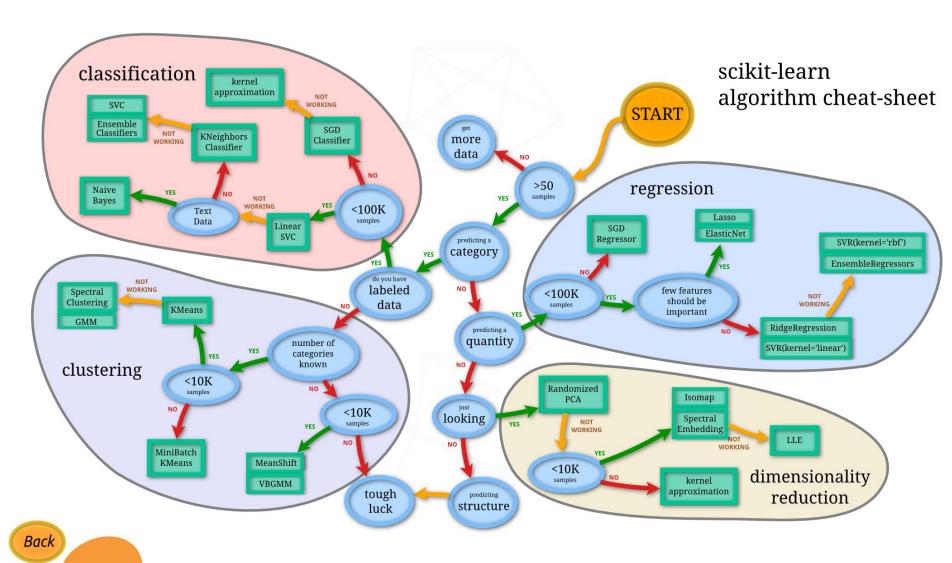


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Supervised Mining:

Overview

The World of Machine Learning

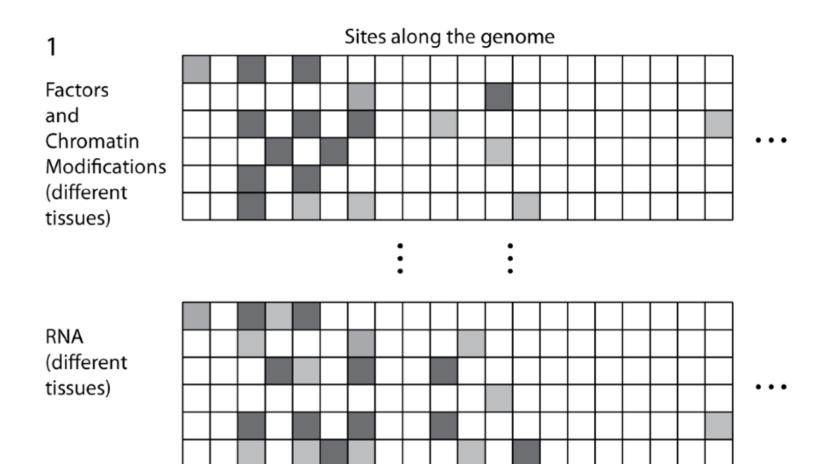


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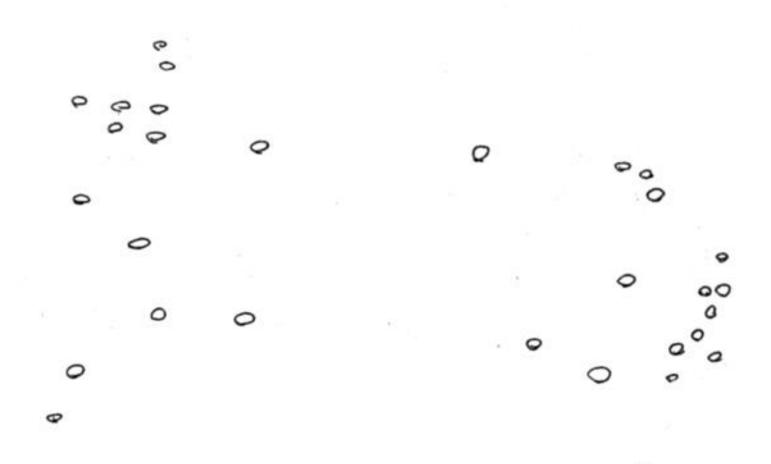
Distinctions in Supervised Learning

- Regression vs Classification
 - Regression: labels are quantitative
 - Classification: labels are categorical
- Regularized vs Un-regularized
 - Regularized: penalize model complexity to avoid over-fitting
 - Un-regularized: no penalty on model complexity
- Parametric vs Non-parametric
 - Parametric: an explicit parametric model is assumed
 - Non-parametric: otherwise
- Ensemble vs Non-ensemble
 - Ensemble: combines multiple models
 - Non-ensemble: a single model

Structure of Genomic Features Matrix



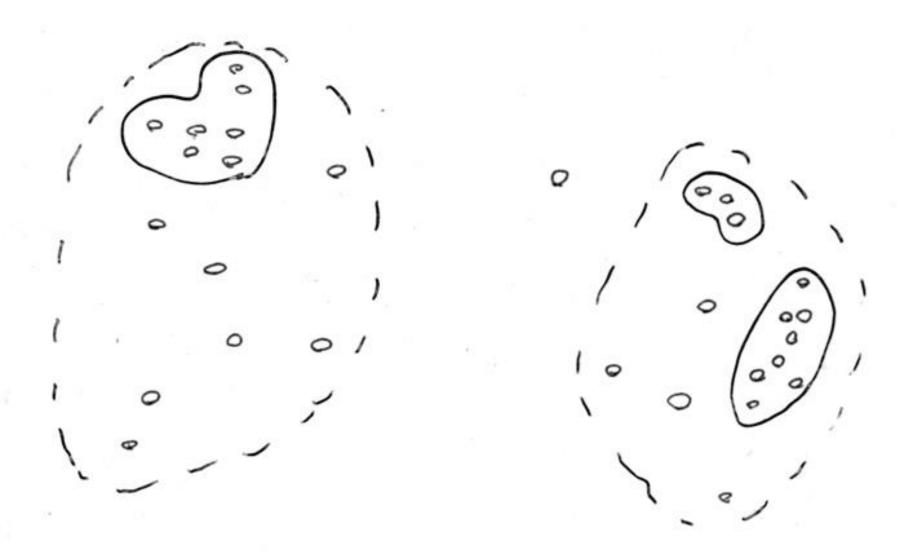
Represent predictors in abstract high dimensional space



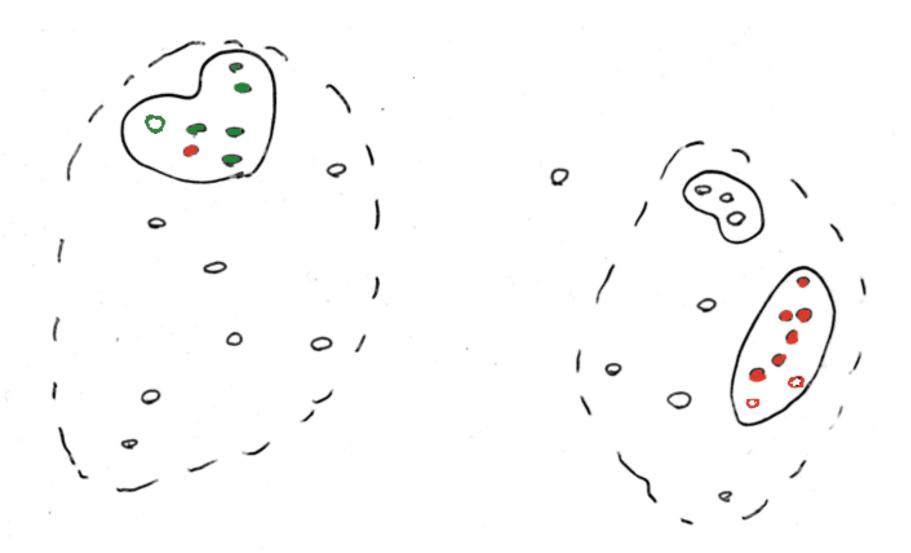
"Label" Certain Points



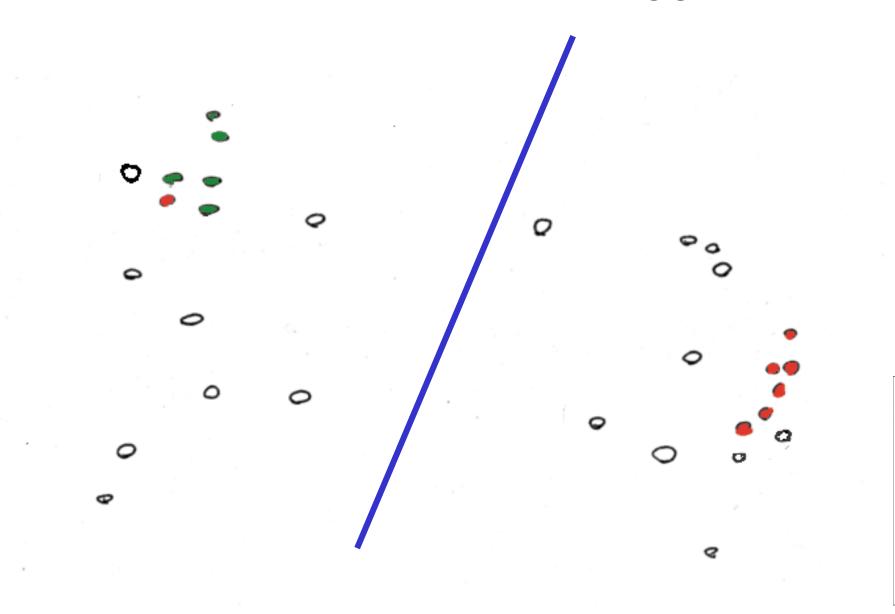
"Cluster" predictors (Unsupervised)



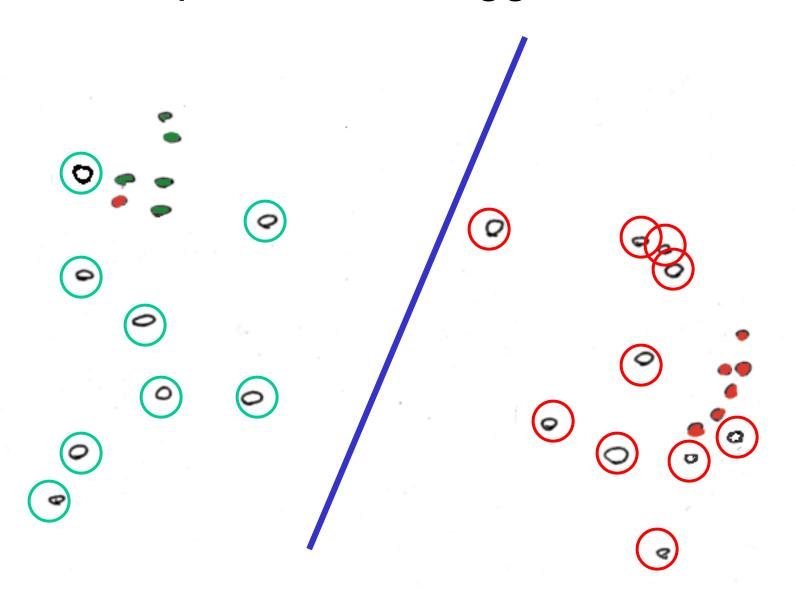
Use Clusters to predict Response (Unsupervised, guilt-by-association)



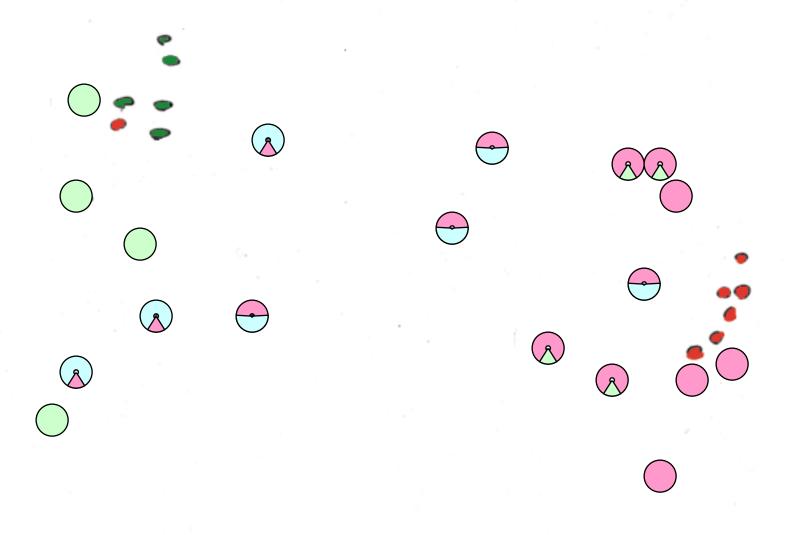
Find a Division to Separate Tagged Points



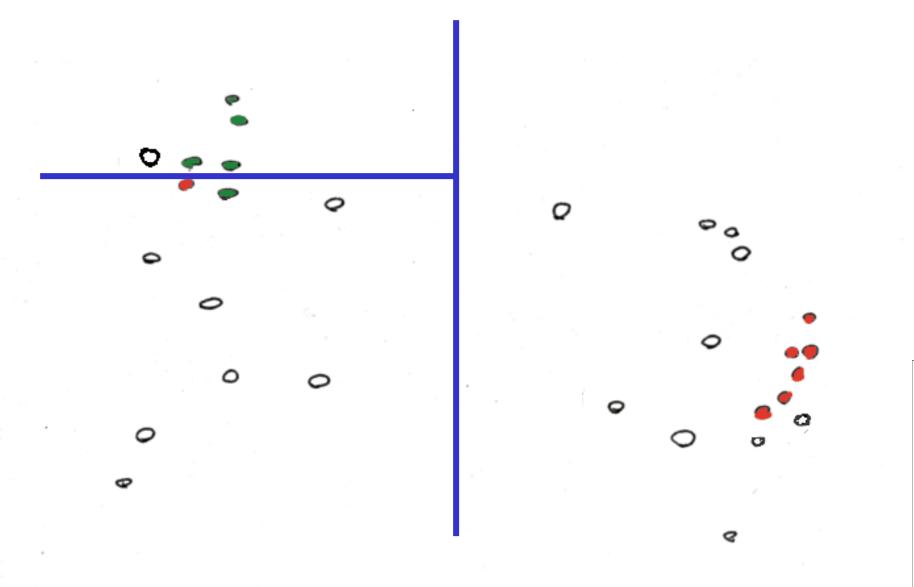
Extrapolate to Untagged Points



Probabilistic Predictions of Class



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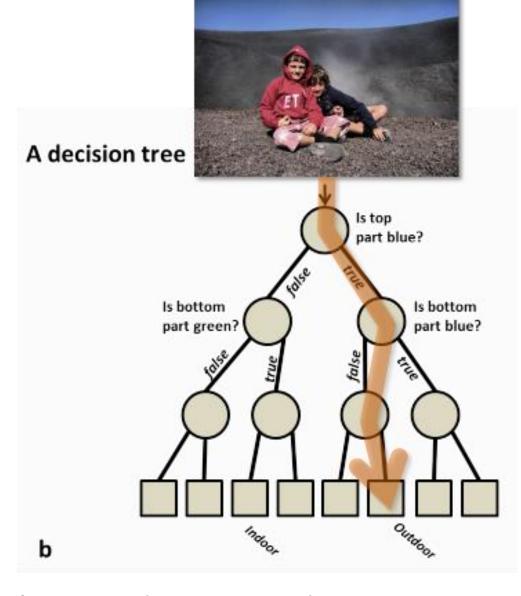
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Supervised Mining:

Decision Trees

Decision Trees

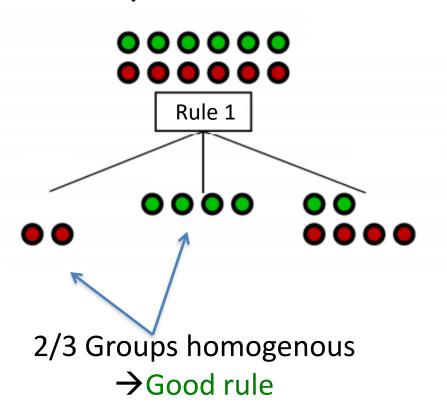
- Classify data by asking questions that divide data in subgroups
- Keep asking questions until subgroups become homogenous
- Use tree of questions to make predictions

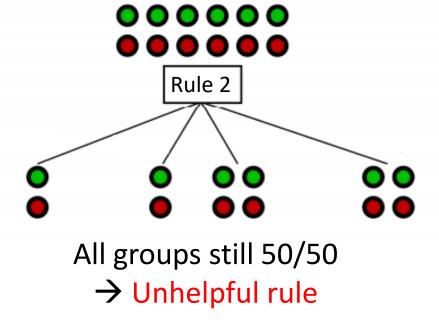


• Example: Is a picture taken inside or outside?

What makes a good rule?

Want resulting groups to be as homogenous as possible





Quantifying the value of rules

- Decrease in inhomogeneity
 - Most popular metric: Information theoretic entropy

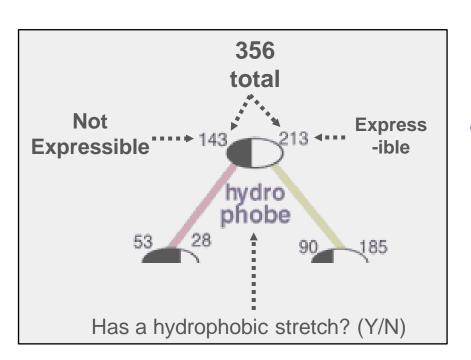
$$S = -\sum_{i=1}^{m} p_i \log p_i$$

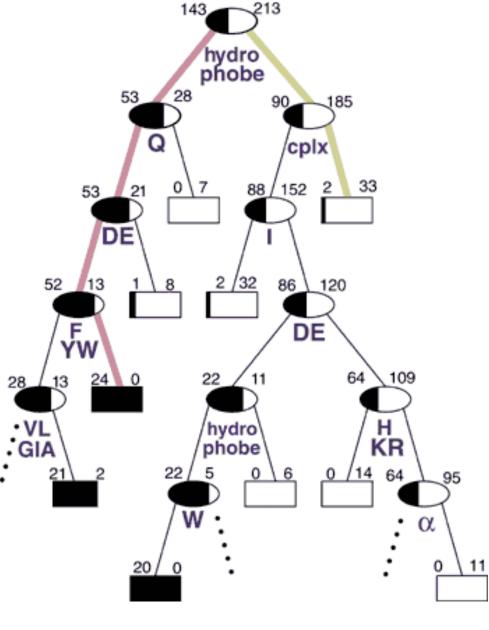
- Use frequency of classifier characteristic within group as probability
- Minimize entropy to achieve homogenous group

Algorithm

- For each characteristic:
 - Split into subgroups based on each possible value of characteristic
- Choose rule from characteristic that maximizes decrease in inhomogeneity
- For each subgroup:
 - if (inhomogeneity < threshold):</p>
 - Stop
 - else:
 - Restart rule search (recursion)

Retrospective Decision Trees





Analysis of the Suitability of 500 M. thermo. proteins to find optimal sequences purification

[Bertone et al. NAR ('01)]

Extensions of Decision Trees

- Decision Trees method is very sensitive to noise in data
- Random forests is an ensemble of decision trees and is much more effective.