

Machine Learning Lecture Series

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Supervised Learning:

Probably Approximately Correct Learning

Probably Approximately Correct Learning



- A good learner will learn with **high probability** and **close approximation** to the target concept
- With high probability, the selected hypothesis will have **lower the error** (“Approximately Correct”) with the parameters ϵ and δ

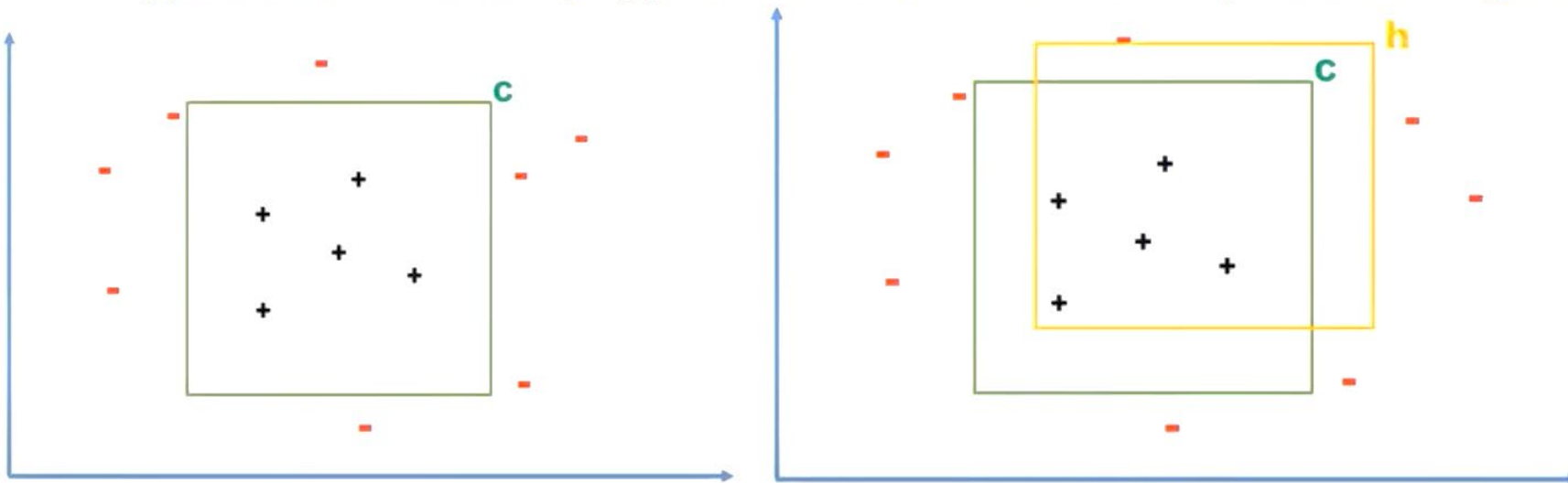
- PAC learning, requires
 - small parameters ϵ and δ ,
 - with probability at least $(1 - \delta)$, a system learn the concept with error at most ϵ .
- ϵ is upper bound on the error in accuracy, i.e. the hypothesis with error less than ϵ
Accuracy: $1 - \epsilon$
- δ give the probability of failure in achieving this accuracy δ , ($0 < \delta \leq 1$), the hypothesis generated is approximately correct at least $1 - \delta$ of the time.

Confidence: $1 - \delta$

PAC Learning - Example



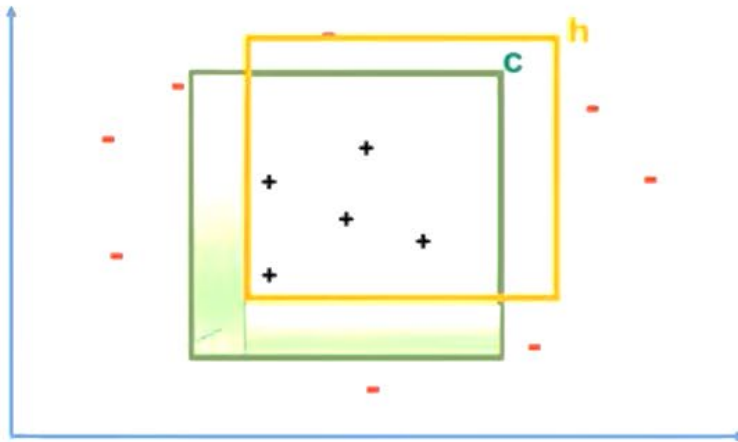
- N number of Car having Price and Engine power, as training set, (p, e) , find the car is family car or not.
- An algorithm gives answer whether the car is family car or not.
- C – Target function
- Instances within rectangle represents family cars and outside are not family cars
- Hypothesis h – closely approximate C , and there may be error region.



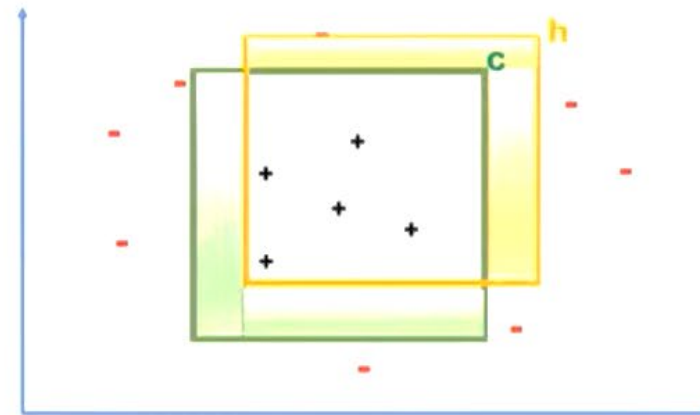
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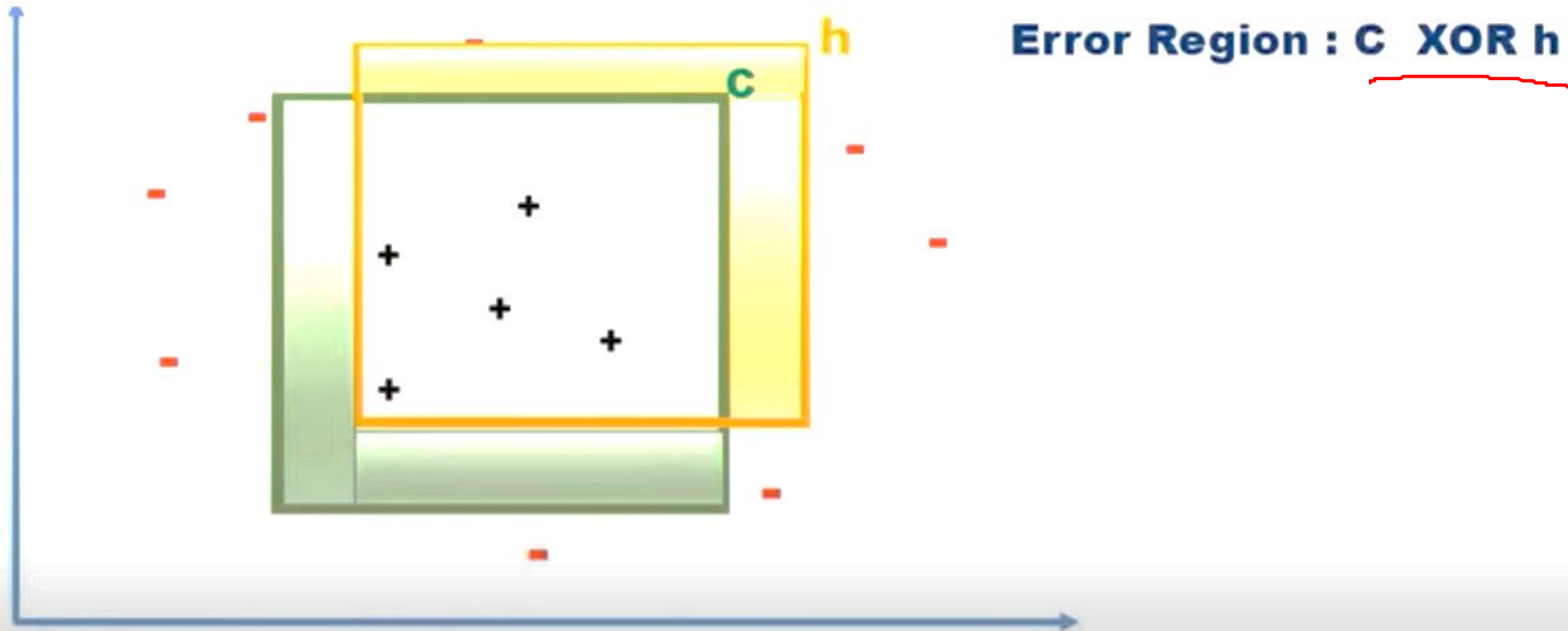


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Error Region

- The probability of error region to be small
- The error region : $P(C \text{ XOR } h) \leq \epsilon$.



- the hypothesis h , that approximately correct, and error is less than or equal to ϵ .
- Where $0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1/2$
- i.e. $P(C \text{ XOR } h) \leq \epsilon$

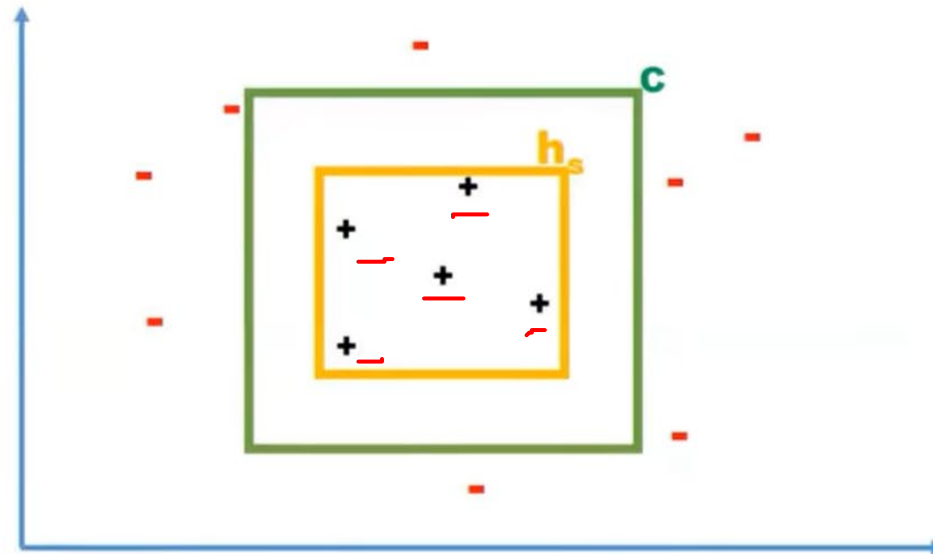
Probably Approximately Correct

- Low generalization error with high probability
- $[P(\text{Error}(h) \leq \epsilon)] \leq 1 - \delta$
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PAC Learnability for Axis-aligned Rectangle

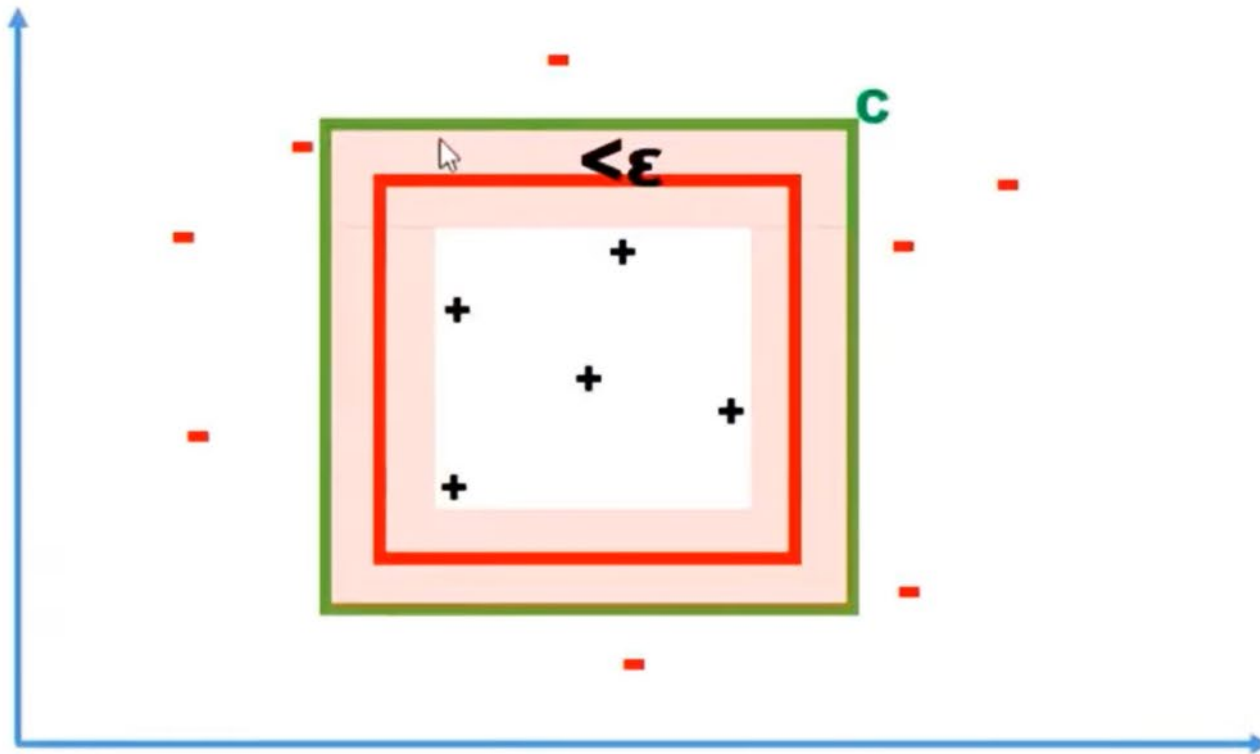


- **Specialization:**
- h_s is the tightest possible rectangle around a set of positive training examples.
- h_s is subset of C , Hence Error region = $C - h$

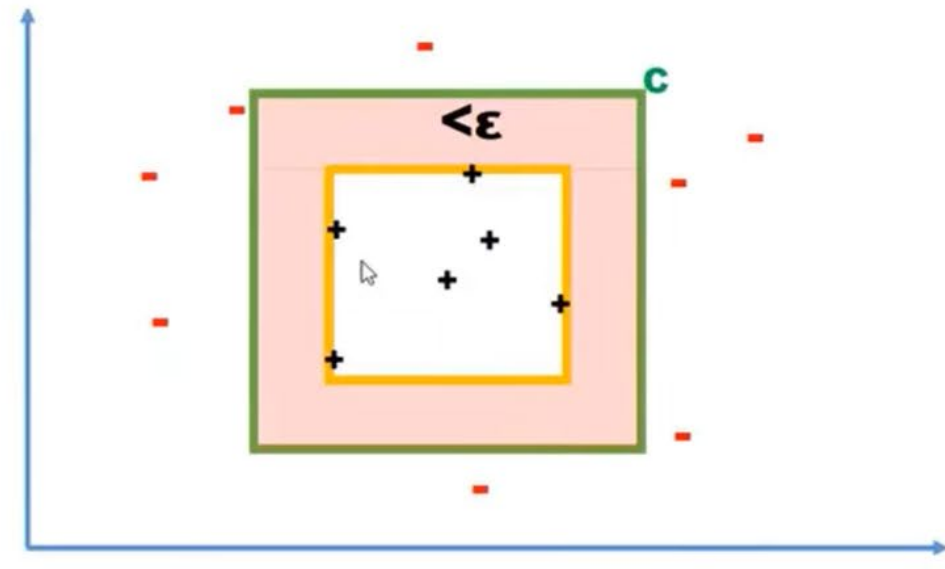
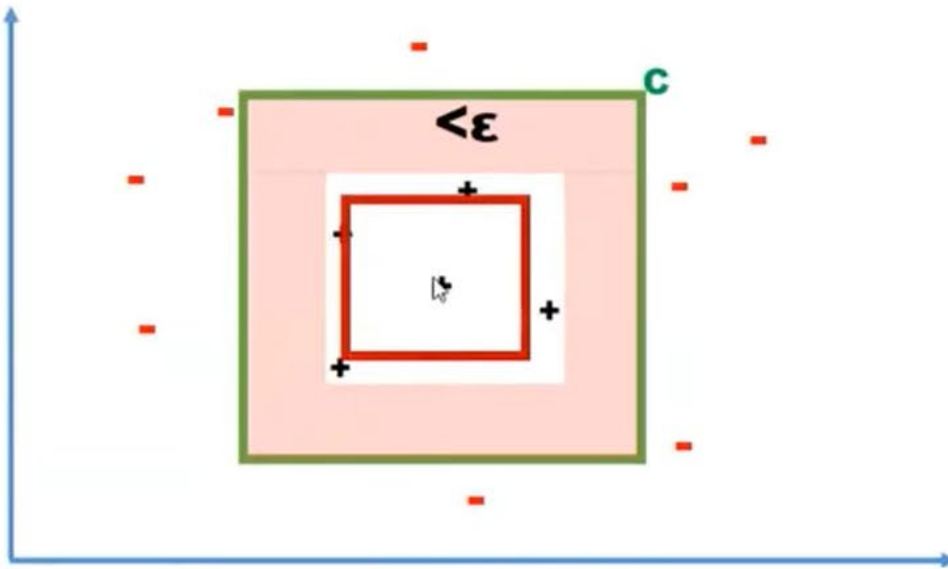


Approximately Correct

- If an hypothesis lies between h and c (shaded region) then it is approximately correct.



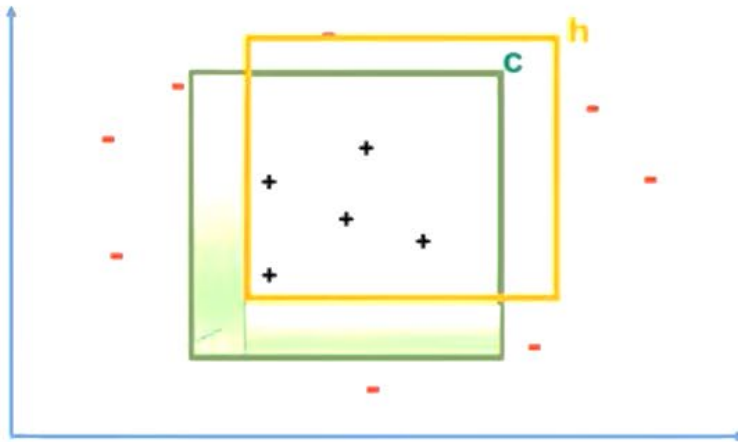
- If the generated hypothesis does not touch any of these region
- Error region is greater than ϵ and not approximately correct, because the error region got increased.
- Atleast one +ve example at each side of the rectangle



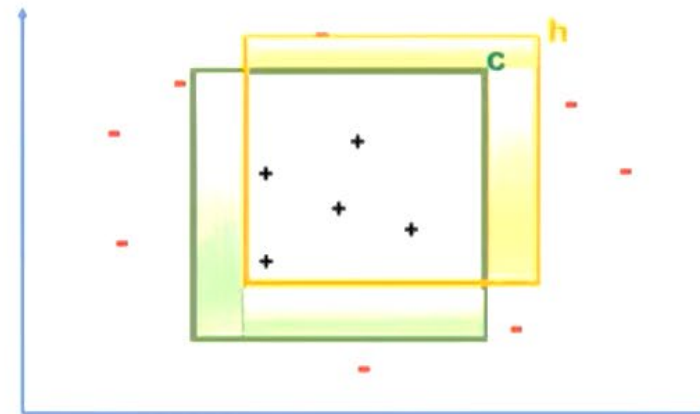
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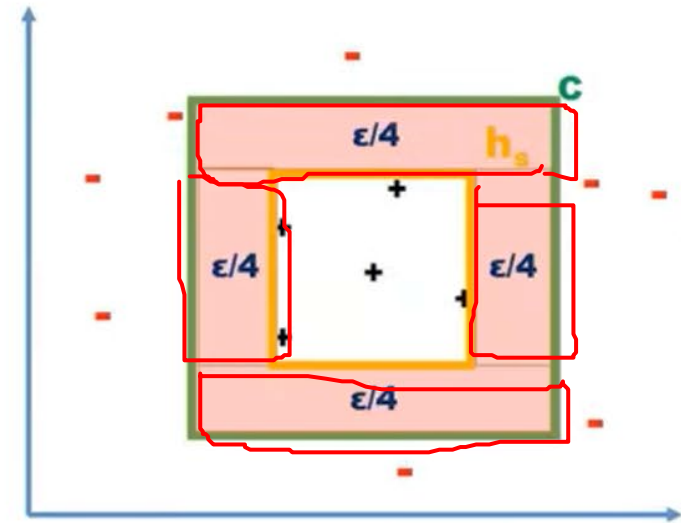
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- Error Region = sum of four rectangular strips $< \epsilon$
- Each strip is at most $\epsilon/4$
- Probability of positive example falling in any one of the strip (error region = $\epsilon/4$)
- Probability that a randomly drawn positive example misses a strip = $1 - \epsilon/4$
- $P(\text{m instance miss a strip}) = (1 - \epsilon/4)^m$
- $P(\text{m instances miss any strip}) < 4(1 - \epsilon/4)^m$
- Finally we get $m > \frac{4}{\epsilon} \log \frac{4}{\delta}$



Example 1



Sl.No.	Error(h1)
1	0.001
2	0.025
3	0.07 ✓
4	0.003
5	0.035
6	0.045
7	0.027
8	0.065 ✓
9	0.012
10	0.036

- Hypothesis $h1$ generated the errors with respect to price and engine power of given 10 samples,
- *Given, $\epsilon = 0.05$ $\delta = 0.20$*
- $P(h1) \geq 1 - \delta$
- $P(h1) = 8/10 = 0.80$ (3rd and 8th values are greater than ϵ)
- Therefore, $0.80 \geq (1 - 0.20)$ i.e. $0.80 = 0.80$
- **Hence $h1$ is probably approximately correct**



Example 2



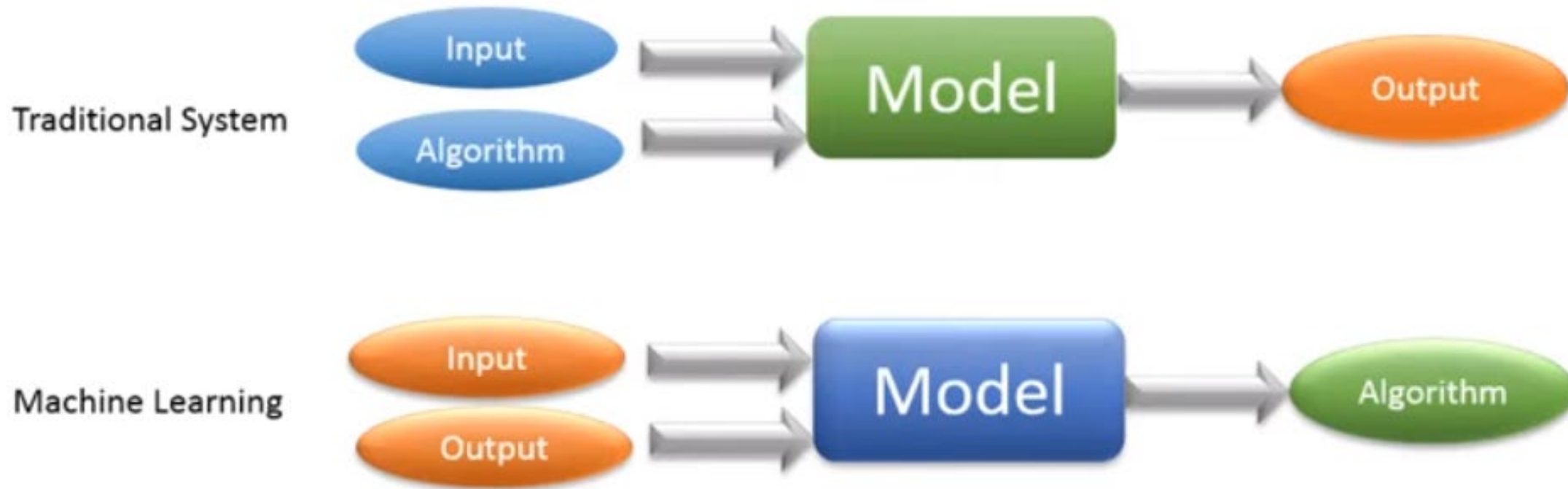
Sl.No.	Error(h2)
1	0.012
2	0.015
3	0.071
4	0.063
5	0.022
6	0.045
7	0.011
8	0.029
9	0.066
10	0.031

- Hypothesis h2 generated the errors with respect to price and engine power of given 10 samples,
- *Given, $\epsilon = 0.05$ $\delta = 0.20$*
- $P(h2) \geq 1 - \delta$
- $P(h2) = 7/10 = 0.70$ (3rd, 4th, 9th values $> \epsilon$)
- Here, $0.70 \geq (1 - 0.20)$ i.e. $0.70 < 0.80$
- Hence h2 is not probably approximately correct

Supervised Learning:

Learning a Class From Examples

Traditional Vs. Machine Learning Models

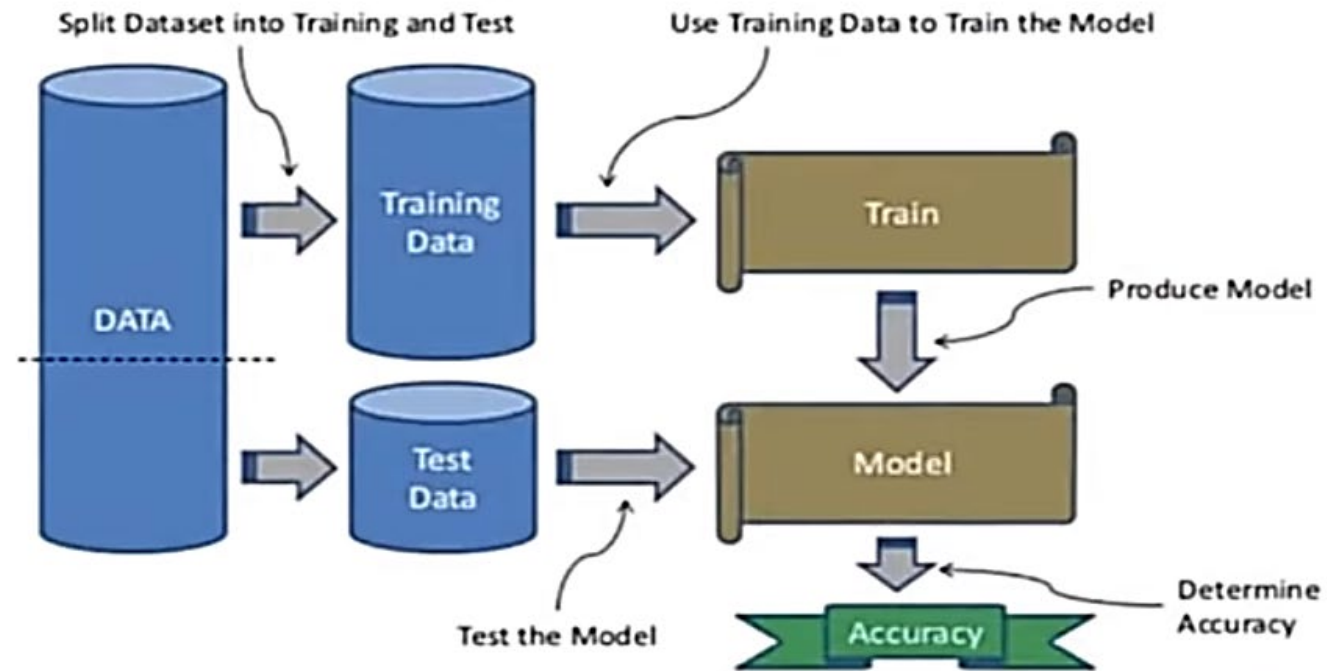


Supervised Learning



- In Supervised learning, A model is getting trained on a **labelled dataset**.
- It is a process of providing **input data** as well as correct **output data**, The **supervised learning algorithm** is to find a mapping function to map the input with the output.

Supervised Learning



Learning a Class from Example

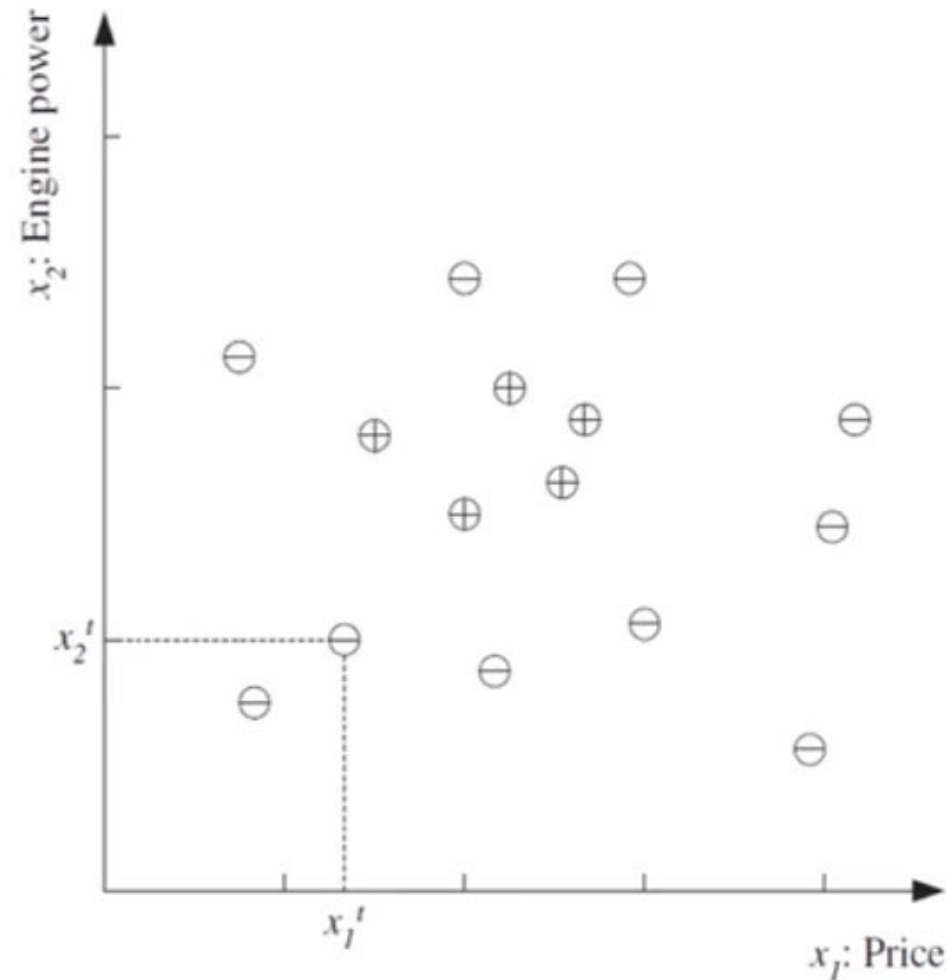


Class-C : "family car."

- Set of cars “Class-C : Family of Cars”
- A group of people look at the cars and label them; family car or not with two attributes the price and engine power.
- The cars that they believe are family cars are positive examples, and the other cars are negative examples.
- People ignore other attributes such as seating capacity and color and consider those of irrelevant.

Training set-Family Car

- The **data point** corresponds to one sample car
- **Coordinates:** price and engine power
- **'+'**: positive example of class (a family car),
- **'-'**: negative example (not a family car)



Variables 'x' and 'r'

- **Price** as the first input attribute **x1** (e.g., in Rupees)
- **Engine power** as the second attribute **x2** (e.g., engine volume in cubic centi-meters).

- Label denotes its type
- $$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$r = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \text{ is a positive example} \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \text{ is a negative example} \end{cases}$$

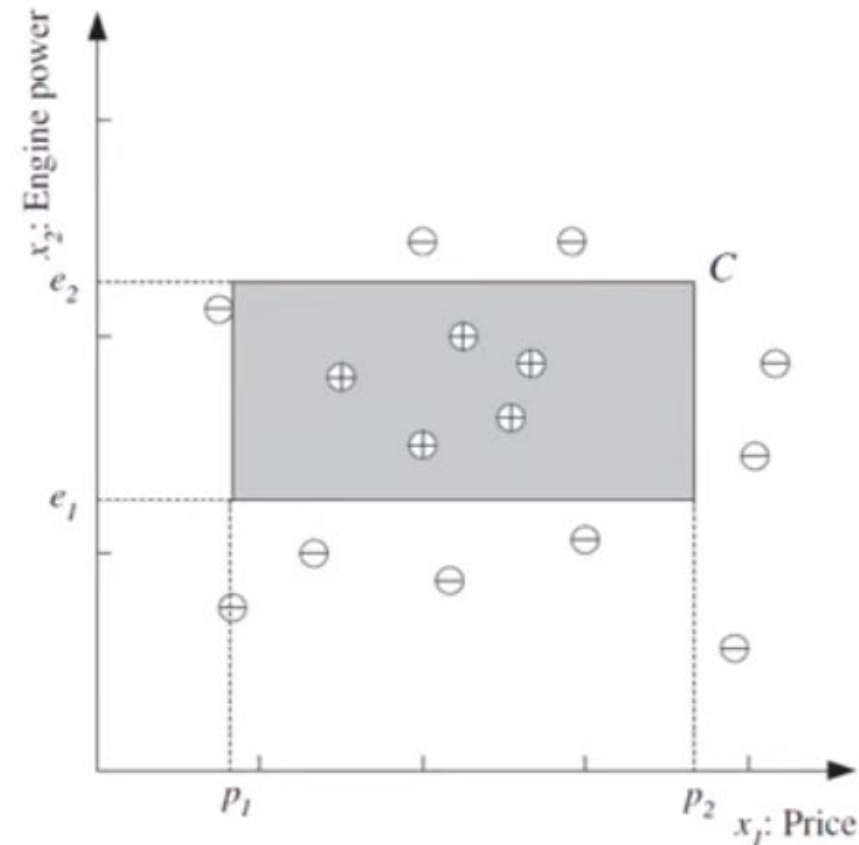
- Each car is represented by such an ordered pair (x, r) and the **training set** contains **N** such examples

$$\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x}^t, r^t\}_{t=1}^N$$

- where **t** indexes the training set.

Example of a Hypothesis class.

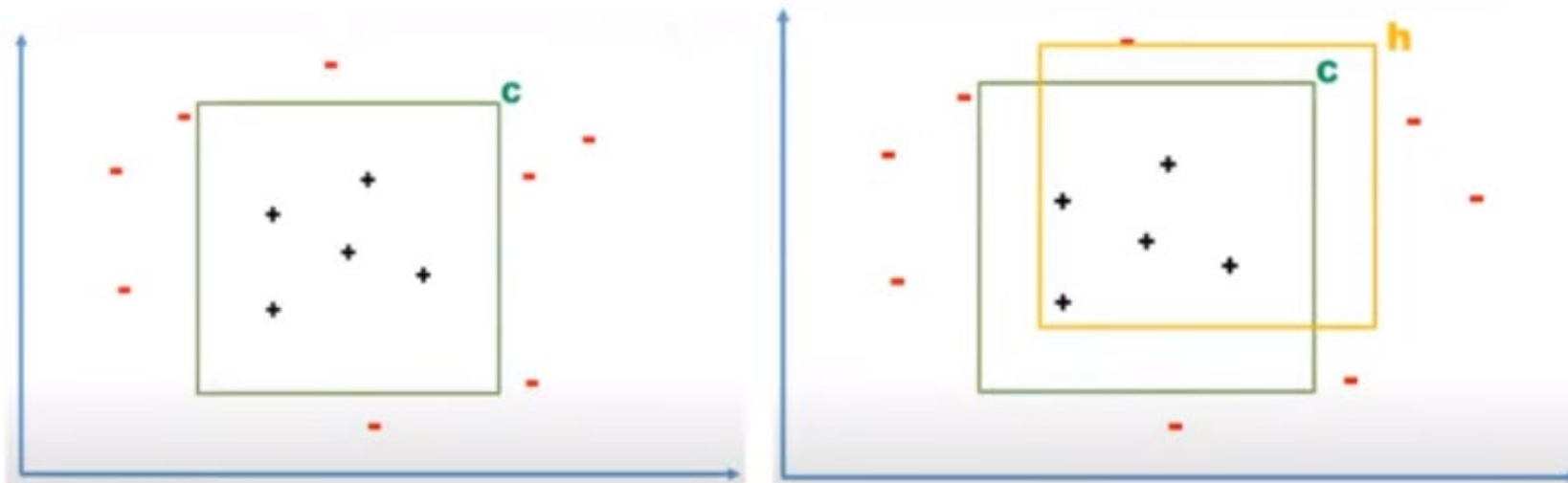
- if a car to be a family car, its price and engine power should be in a **certain range**
- $(p_1 \leq \text{price} \leq p_2) \text{ AND } (e_1 \leq \text{engine power} \leq e_2)$ for suitable values of p_1 , p_2 , e_1 , and e_2 .
- The class of family car is a **rectangle** in the **price-engine power space**.



- hypothesis, $h \in H$, specified by a particular quadruple of (p^h1, p^h2, e^h1, e^h2) , to approximate C
- the hypothesis h makes a prediction for an instance x such that

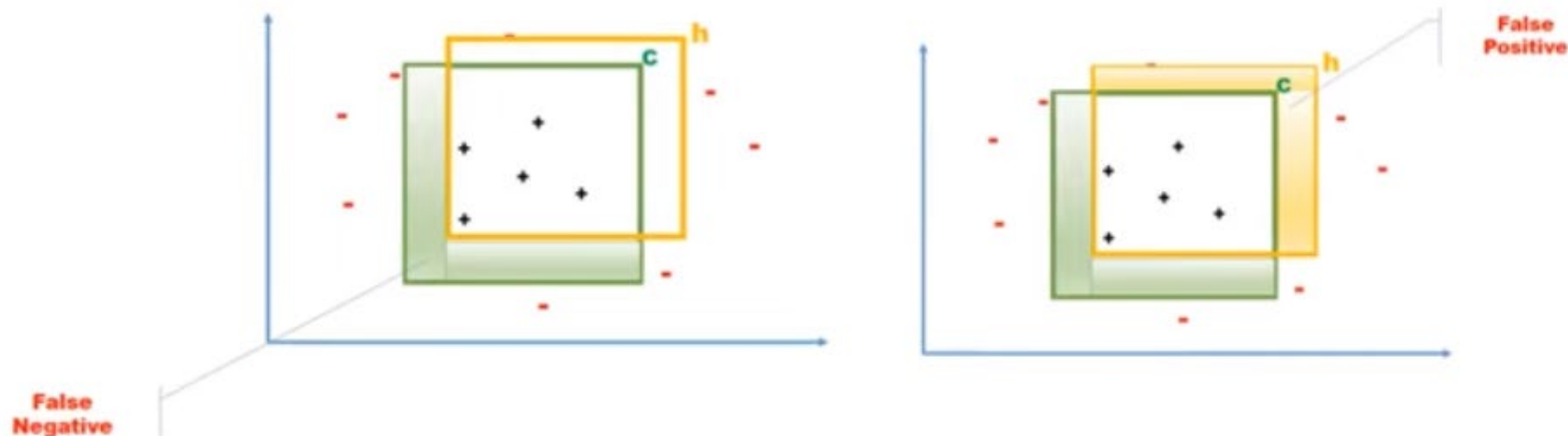
$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } h \text{ classifies } x \text{ as a positive example} \\ 0 & \text{if } h \text{ classifies } x \text{ as a negative example} \end{cases}$$

- In real life we do not know $C(x)$, so we cannot evaluate how well $h(x)$ matches $C(x)$.
- C – Target function
- Instances within rectangle represents family cars and outside are not family cars
- Hypothesis h – closely approximate c , and there may be **error region**.



False Positive and False Negative

- C is the actual **class** and h is our induced **hypothesis**.
- The point where C is 1 but h is 0 is a **false negative**, and
- the point where C is 0 but h is 1 is a **false positive**.
- true positives and true negatives—are correctly classified.



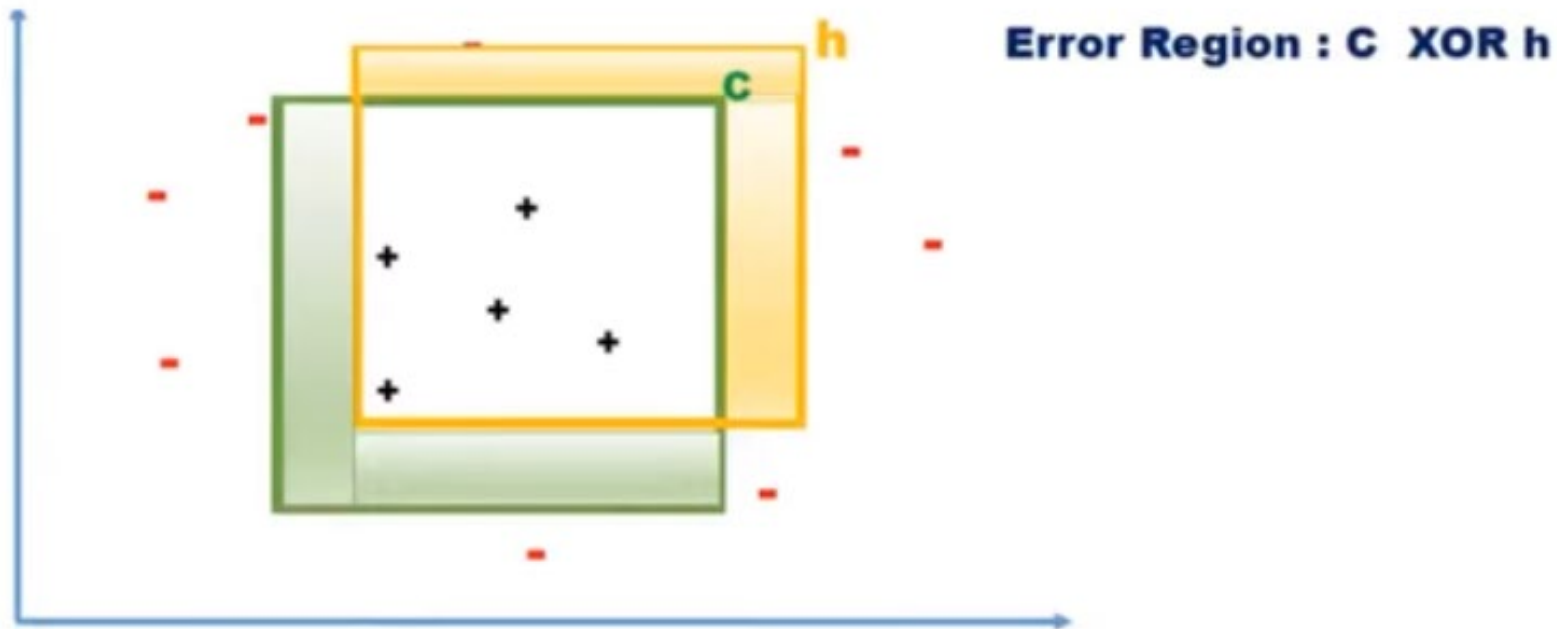
Error

- The **empirical error** is the proportion of training instances where predictions of **h** do not match the required values given in **X**.
- The error of hypothesis **h** given the training set **X** is

$$E(h|\mathcal{X}) = \sum_{t=1}^N 1(h(\mathbf{x}^t) \neq r^t)$$

- our example, the hypothesis class **H** is the **set of all possible rectangles**.
- Each quadruple (p^h1, p^h2, e^h1, e^h2) , defines one hypothesis, **h**, from **H**,

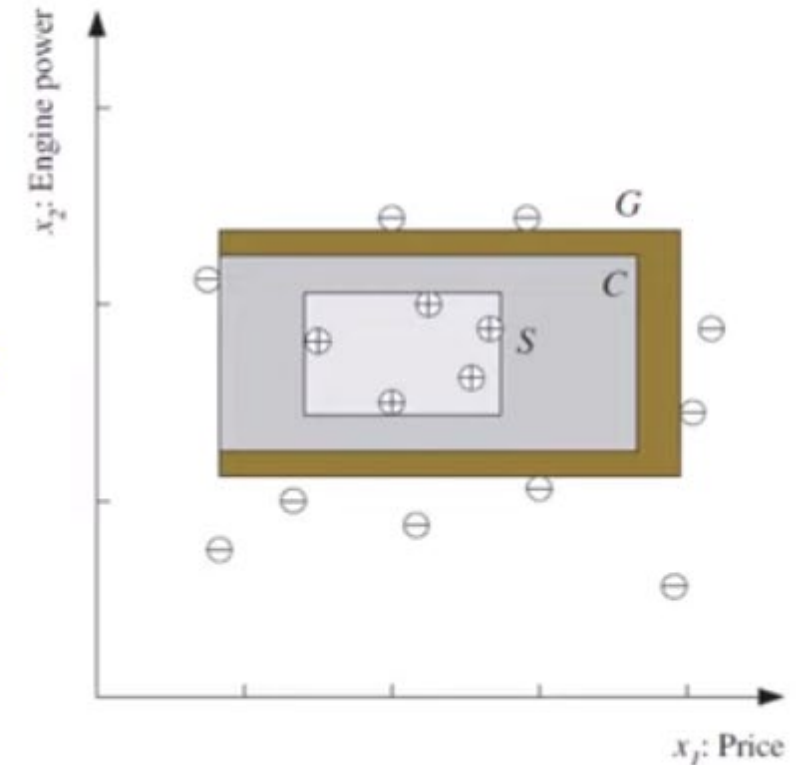
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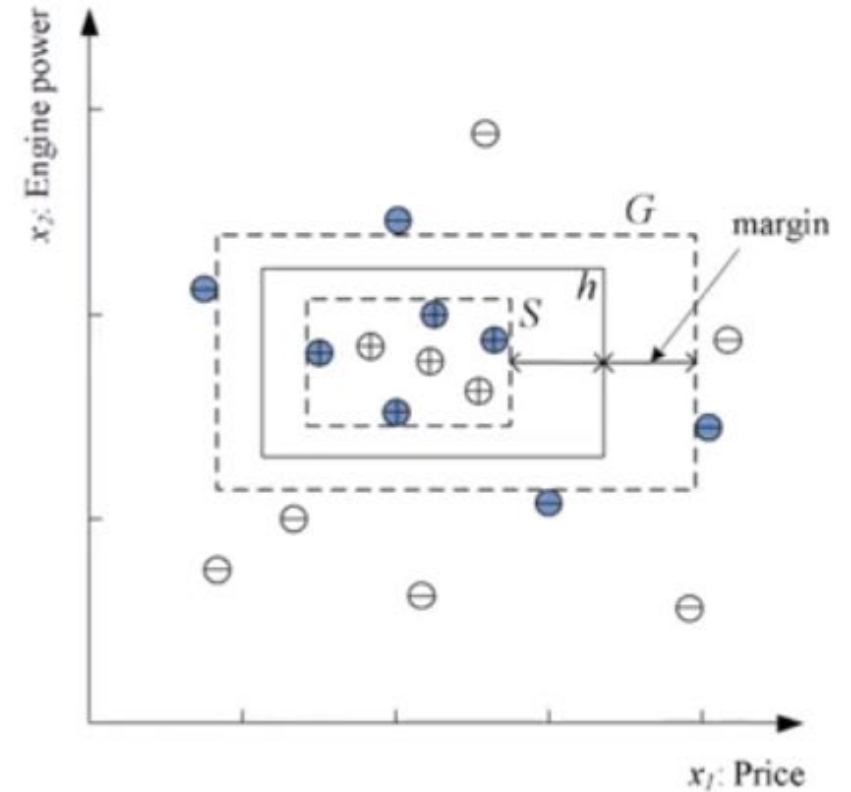
Most General and Most Specific Hypothesis



- **Generalization**—that is, how well our hypothesis will correctly classify future examples that are not part of the training set.
- **Most general hypothesis, G** , is the **largest rectangle**, that includes all the positive examples and none of the negative examples.
- **Most specific hypothesis, S** , that is the hypothesis **tightest rectangle** that includes all the positive examples and none of the negative examples.
- Note that the actual class C may be larger than S but is never smaller.



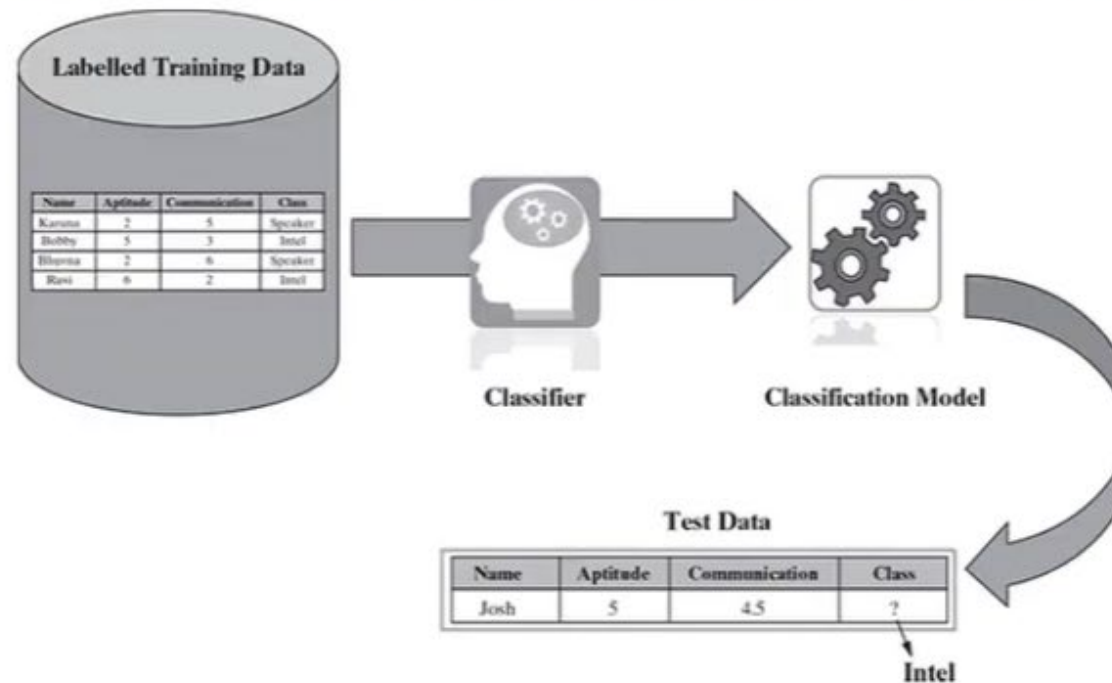
- The **margin**, which is the distance between the boundary and the instances closest to it.



- Let us consider two examples, say
 - 'predicting whether a tumour is malignant or non-malignant' and
 - 'price prediction in the domain of real estate'.
- both are the problems related to prediction.
 1. The **tumour prediction**, we are trying to predict which **category or class**, i.e. 'malignant' or 'non-malignant', an unknown input data related to tumour belongs to.
 2. The **price prediction**, trying to predict an **absolute value** and not a class.
- The problem to predict a categorical or nominal variable, then it is known as a **classification problem**.

- Classification algorithm is used to identify the category of new data on the basis of training data.
- In classification, a program learn from given dataset (training data) then classify new data (test data) into number of classes or groups.
 - Yes/No, Cat/Dog, Red/Green/Blue, Spam/not spam etc.
- The classes can be called as targets or labels or categories.

- A classification model is obtained from the **labelled training data** by a classifier algorithm.
- On the basis of the model, a class label (e.g. 'Intel' as in the case of the test data) is assigned to the test data.

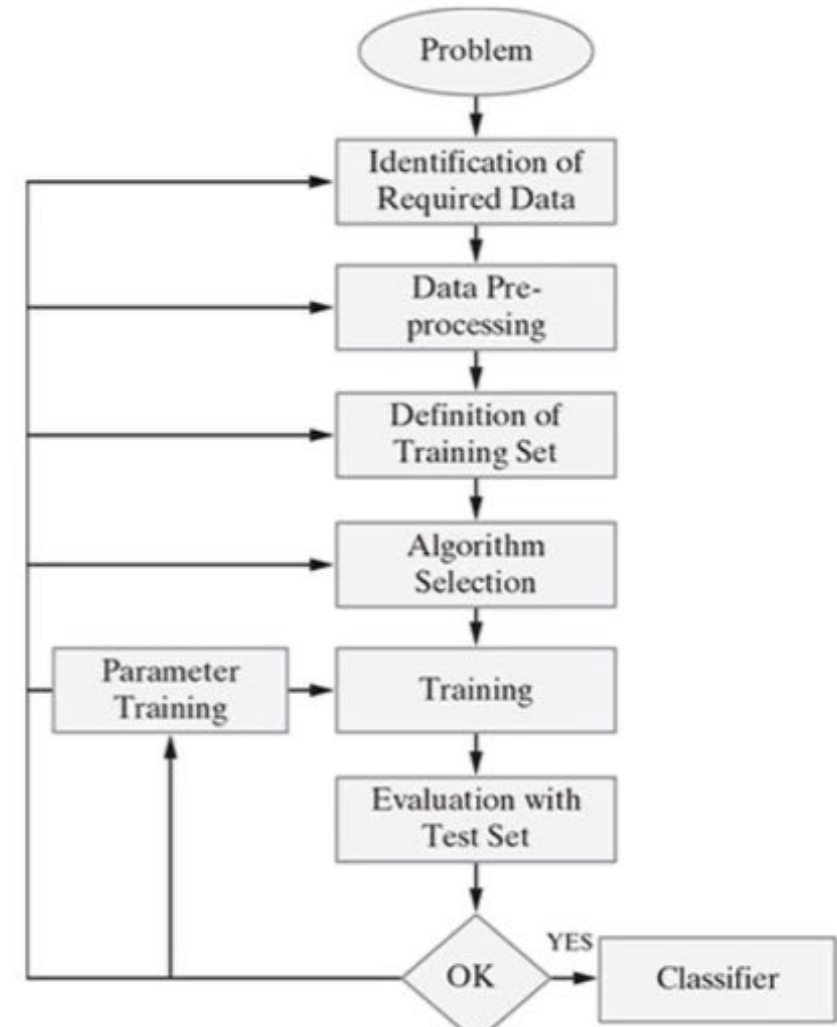


- A critical classification problem in the context of the **banking domain** is identifying potentially **fraudulent transactions**.
- Because there are millions of transactions which have to be scrutinized to identify whether a particular transaction might be a fraud transaction,
- it is not possible for any human being to carry out this task.
- Machine learning solves this problem efficiently, on the basis of the past transaction data, labelled as fraudulent, all new incoming transactions are marked or labelled as **usual or suspicious**.
- The suspicious transactions are subsequently segregated for a closer review.

- Some typical classification problems include the following:
- Image classification
- Disease prediction
- Win–loss prediction of games
- Prediction of natural calamity such as earthquake, flood, etc.
- Handwriting recognition

Classification Learning Steps

1. Problem Identification:
2. Identification of Required Data:
3. Data Pre-processing:
4. Definition of Training Data Set:
5. Algorithm Selection:
6. Training:
7. Evaluation with the Test Data Set:



Problem Identification

- Identifying the problem is the first step in the supervised learning model.
- The problem needs to be a **well-formed problem**,
- i.e. a problem with well-defined goals and benefit, which has a long-term impact.

Identification of Required Data:

- On the basis of the problem identified above, the required data set that exactly represents the identified problem needs to be evaluated.
- For example: If the problem is to predict whether a tumour is malignant or not,
- then the corresponding patient data sets related to malignant tumour and normal tumours are to be identified.

Data Pre-processing:

- The data is gathered from different sources, it is usually collected in a raw format and is not ready for immediate analysis.
- Data pre-processing refers to the transformations applied to the identified data before feeding the same into the algorithm.
- This is related to the cleaning/transforming the data set.
- This step ensures that all the unnecessary/irrelevant data elements are removed.
- And the data is ready to be fed into the machine learning algorithm.

Definition of Training Data Set:

- Before starting the analysis, the user should decide what kind of data set is to be used as a training set.
- a set of 'input meta-objects' and corresponding 'output meta-objects' are gathered.
- Thus, a set of data input (X) and corresponding outputs (Y) is gathered either from human experts or experiments.
- The training set needs to be actively representative of the real-world use of the given scenario.

Algorithm Selection:

- This is the most critical step of supervised learning model.
- This involves determining the structure of the learning function and the corresponding learning algorithm.
- On the basis of various parameters, the best algorithm for a given problem is chosen.

Training:

- The identified learning algorithm will run on the gathered training set, with the required control parameters as input to the algorithm
- These parameters (inputs given to algorithm) may also be **adjusted by optimizing performance on a subset** (called as validation set)

Evaluation with the Test Data Set:

- Training data is run on the algorithm, and its performance is measured here.
- If a suitable result is not obtained, further training of parameters may be required.

K-Nearest Neighbor (KNN) Algorithm



- The **kNN algorithm** is a simple but extremely **powerful supervised learning algorithm**.
- K-NN algorithm
 - stores all the available data and
 - classifies a new data point based on the similarity.
- The kNN is used in **classifications or predictions**, the grouping of an individual data point.
- This means when new data appears then it can be easily classified into a well suite Category/Class.

KNN Algorithm



- **Input:** Training data set, test data set (or data points), value of 'k' (i.e. number of nearest neighbours to be considered)
- **Steps:**
- **Do for all** test data points
- **Calculate** the distance (usually Euclidean distance) of the test data point from the different training data points.
- **Find** the closest 'k' training data points, i.e. training data points whose distances are least from the test data point.
- **If** $k = 1$
- Then assign class label of the training data point to the test data point
- **Else**
- Whichever class label is mostly present in the training data points, assign that class label to the test data point
- **End do**

KNN : Example



- Let us try to understand the algorithm with a simple data set.
- A Student data set consists of 15 students, studying in a class.
- Each of the students has been assigned a score on a **scale of 10** on two performance parameters –
- **‘Aptitude’** and **‘Communication’**.
- Also, a **class value** is assigned to each student based on the following criteria:
- 1. good communication skills & good level of aptitude have been classified as ‘Leader’
- 2. good communication skills but not so good level of aptitude have been classified as ‘Speaker’
- 3. not so good communication skill but a good level of aptitude have been classified as ‘Intel’

Name	Aptitude	Communication	Class
Karuna	2	5	Speaker
Bhuvna	2	6	Speaker
Gaurav	7	6	Leader
Parul	7	2.5	Intel
Dinesh	8	6	Leader
Jani	4	7	Speaker
Bobby	5	3	Intel
Parimal	3	5.5	Speaker
Govind	8	3	Intel
Susant	6	5.5	Leader
Gouri	6	4	Intel
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Ravi	6	2	Intel
Pradeep	9	7	Leader
Josh	5	4.5	Intel

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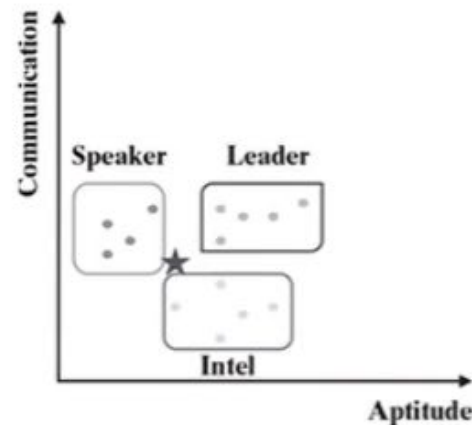


- To build a classification model, a part of the labelled input data is retained as **test data**.
- The remaining portion of the input data is used to **train the model** – hence known as **training data**.
- The test data is used to evaluate the performance of the model.
- the record of the **student named Josh** is assumed to be the test data.

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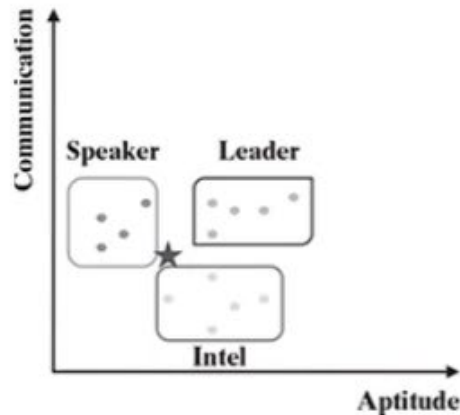
- considering the features 'Aptitude' and 'Communication' can be represented as dots in a **two-dimensional feature space**.
- the training data points having the same class value are coming close to each other.
- The feature 'Name' is ignored because, as we can understand, it has no role to play in deciding the class value.
- * in the diagram is test data set



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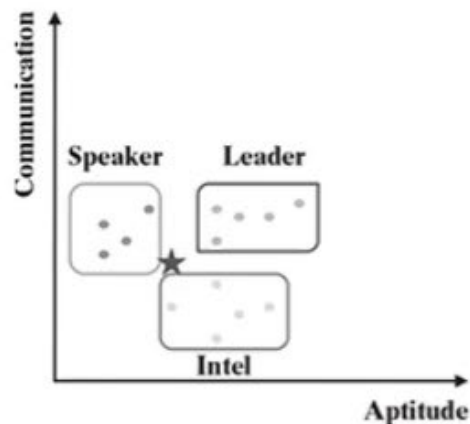
- To find the nearest neighbours of the test data point, **Euclidean distance** of the different dots need to be calculated from the asterisk.
- If **k = 1**, only the closest training data element is considered.
- If **k=3**, only three nearest neighbours or three training data elements closest to the test data element are considered.
- The class label of that data element is directly assigned to the test data element.



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Jani	4	7	Speaker	2.693			
Bobby	5	3	Intel	1.500			1.500
Ravi	6	2	Intel	2.693			
Gouri	6	4	Intel	1.118	1.118	1.118	1.118
Parul	7	2.5	Intel	2.828			
Govind	8	3	Intel	3.354			
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Pradeep	9	7	Leader	4.717			
Josh	5	4.5	???				

KNN: Example

- Gouri and Bobby have class value 'Intel', while Susant has class value 'Leader'.
- In this case, the class value of Josh is decided by **majority voting**.
- Because the class value of 'Intel' is formed by the majority of the neighbours, the class value of Josh is assigned as 'Intel'.
- This same process can be extended for any value of k .



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KNN: Selecting the K Value



- If the value of **k is very large** (in the extreme case equal to the total number of records in the training data), the **class label of the majority class of the training data set will be assigned to the test data** regardless of the class labels of the neighbours nearest to the test data.
- If the value of **k is very small** (in the extreme case equal to 1), the class value of a noisy data or outlier in the training data set which is the nearest neighbour to the test data will be assigned to the test data.
- The **best k value is somewhere between these two extremes.**

KNN: Selecting the K Value



- Few strategies are adopted by machine learning practitioners to arrive at a value for k .
- 1. k equal to the square root of the number of training records.
- 2. test several k values on a variety of test data sets and choose the one that delivers the best performance.
- 3. choose a larger value of k , but apply a **weighted voting process** in which the vote of close neighbours is considered more influential than the vote of distant neighbours.

- The eager learners follow the general steps of machine learning,
- i.e. perform an **abstraction** of the information obtained from the **input data** and then follow it through by a **generalization step**.
- In the kNN algorithm, these steps are completely skipped.
- It stores the training data and directly applies the philosophy of nearest neighbourhood finding to arrive at the classification.
- there is no learning happening in the real sense.
- Therefore, kNN falls under the category of lazy learner.

KNN: Advantages and Disadvantages



- **Strengths**
- Extremely simple algorithm – easy to understand
- Very effective in certain situations,
- Very fast or almost no time required for the training phase
- **Weaknesses**
- Does not learn anything in the real sense.
- Classification is done completely on the basis of the training data.
- If the training data does not represent the problem domain systematically, the algorithm fails to make an effective classification.
- Also, a large amount of computational space is required to load the training data for classification.

- The recommender systems, recommend users, with different items which are similar to a particular item that the user seems to like.
- The liking pattern may be revealed from past purchases or browsing history and the similar items are identified using the kNN algorithm.
- Information retrieval (concept search), Searching documents/ contents similar to a given document/content.

- Decision Tree
- Random Forest
- Regression
- Logistics Regression



Thank you for your participation.

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