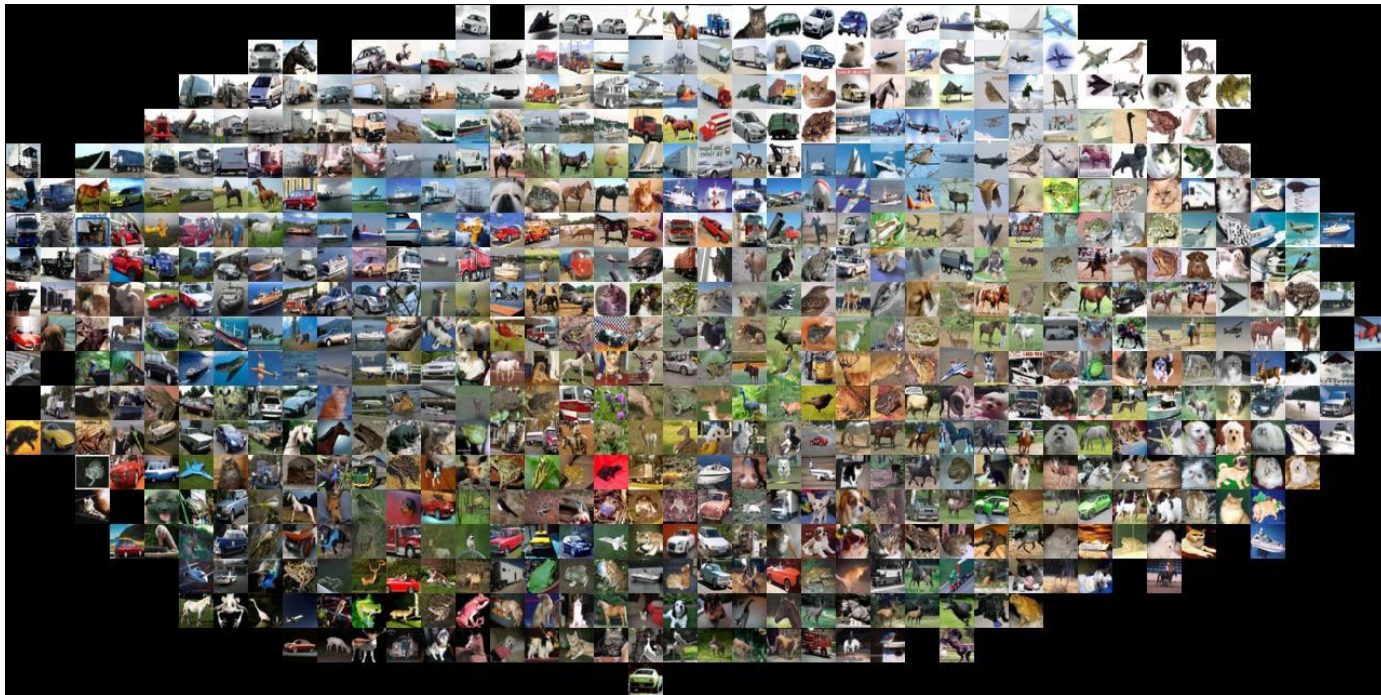


CS5670: Computer Vision

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Image Classification



Announcements

- Project 4 to be released shortly
- Vote for Project 3 artifacts!
 - Deadline: midnight tonight

Today

- Image classification pipeline
- Training, validation, testing
- Nearest neighbor classification
- Linear classification
- Score function and loss function

- Building up to CNNs for learning
 - Next 2-4 lectures on deep learning

Image Classification:

A core task in Computer Vision

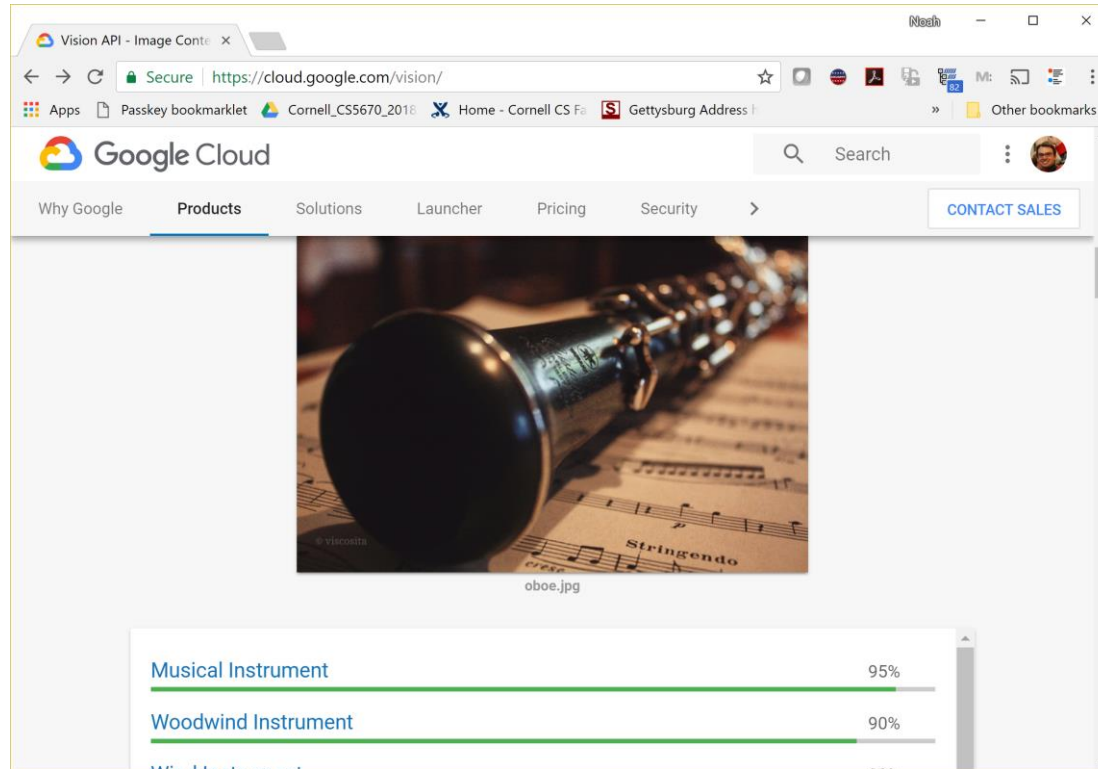
- Assume given set of discrete labels, e.g. {cat, dog, cow, apple, tomato, truck, ... }

$f(\text{apple image}) = \text{"apple"}$

$f(\text{tomato image}) = \text{"tomato"}$

$f(\text{cow image}) = \text{"cow"}$

Image classification demo



<https://cloud.google.com/vision/>

See also:

<https://aws.amazon.com/rekognition/>

<https://www.clarifai.com/>

<https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/cognitive-services/computer-vision/>

...

Image Classification



(assume given set of discrete labels)
{dog, cat, truck, plane, ...}



cat

Image Classification: Problem



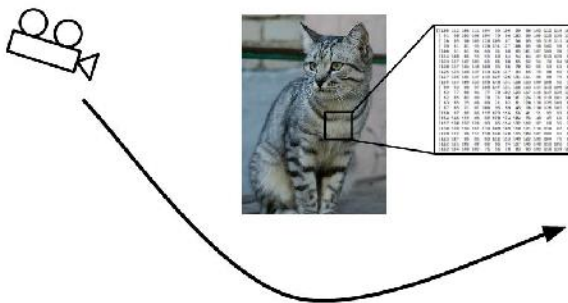
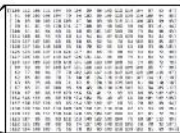
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04	52	08	83	97	35	99	16	07	97	57	32	16	26	26	79	33	27	98	66
05	46	68	87	57	62	20	72	03	46	33	67	46	55	12	32	63	93	53	69
04	42	16	73	38	85	39	11	24	94	72	18	08	46	29	32	40	62	76	36
20	69	36	41	72	30	23	88	34	88	89	69	82	67	59	85	74	04	36	16
20	73	35	29	78	31	90	01	74	31	49	71	48	84	81	16	23	57	05	54
01	70	54	71	83	51	54	69	16	92	33	48	61	43	52	01	89	27	63	48

What the computer sees

image classification → 82% cat
15% dog
2% hat
1% mug

Recall from last time: Challenges of recognition

Viewpoint



Illumination



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Deformation



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Occlusion



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Clutter



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Intraclass Variation



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An image classifier

```
def classify_image(image):  
    # Some magic here?  
    return class_label
```

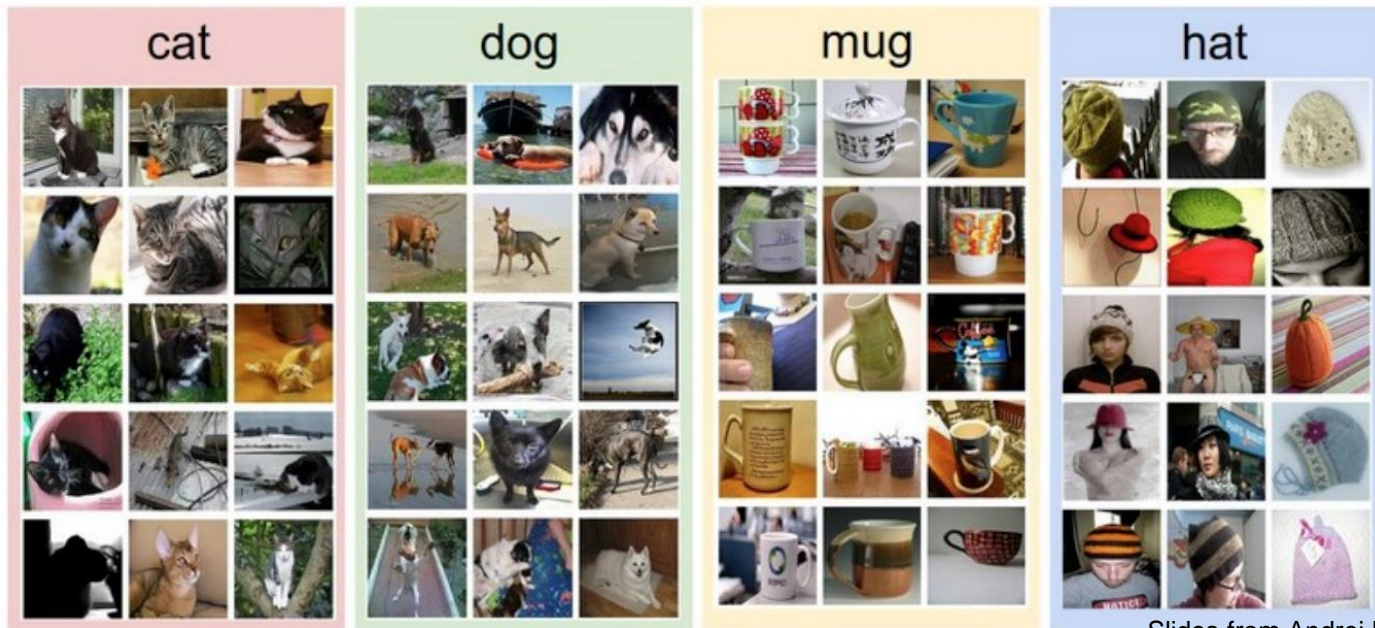
Unlike e.g. sorting a list of numbers,

no obvious way to hard-code the algorithm for recognizing a cat, or other classes.

Data-driven approach

- Collect a database of images with labels
- Use ML to train an image classifier
- Evaluate the classifier on test images

Example training set



Data-driven approach

- Collect a database of images with labels
- Use ML to train an image classifier
- Evaluate the classifier on test images

```
def train(train_images, train_labels):  
    # build a model of images -> labels  
  
def predict(image):  
    # evaluate the model on the image  
    return class_label
```

Training

Training Images



Image Features



Training Labels



Training



Learned Classifier

Training

Training Images



Image Features



Training Labels



Training



Learned Classifier

Testing

Test Image



Image Features



Learned Classifier



Prediction

Classifiers

- Nearest Neighbor
- kNN (“k-Nearest Neighbors”)
- Linear Classifier
- SVM (Support Vector Machine)
- ...

First: Nearest Neighbor (NN) Classifier

- Train
 - Remember all training images and their labels
- Predict
 - Find the closest (most similar) training image
 - Predict its label as the true label

CIFAR-10 and NN results

Example dataset: **CIFAR-10**

10 labels

50,000 training images, each image is tiny: 32x32

10,000 test images.

airplane



automobile



bird



cat



deer



dog



frog



horse



ship



truck



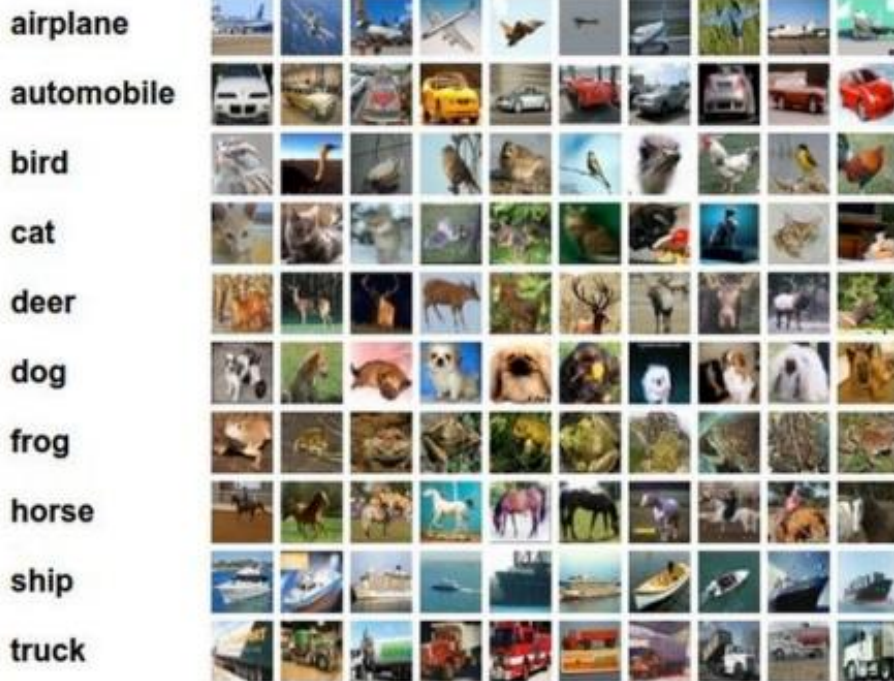
CIFAR-10 and NN results

Example dataset: **CIFAR-10**

10 labels

50,000 training images

10,000 test images.



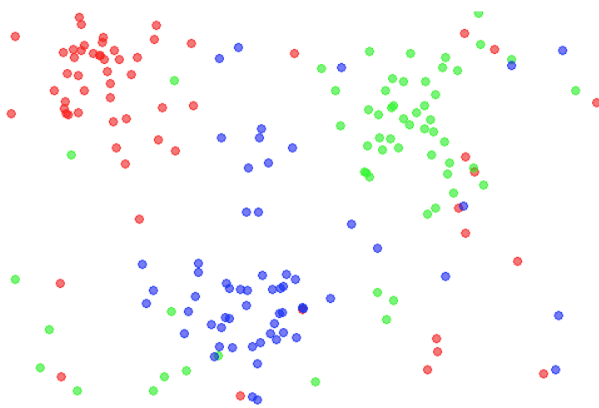
For every test image (first column),
examples of nearest neighbors in rows



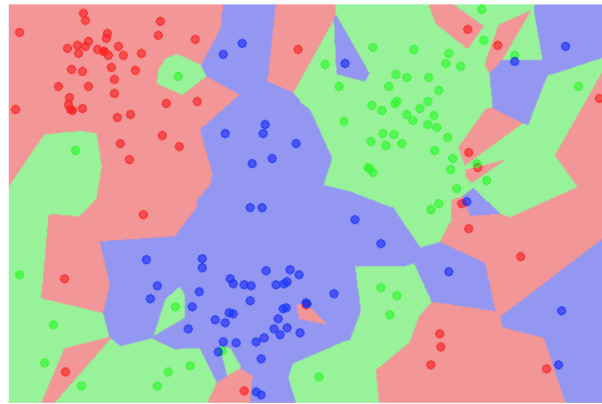
k-nearest neighbor

- Find the k closest points from training data
- Take **majority vote** from K closest points

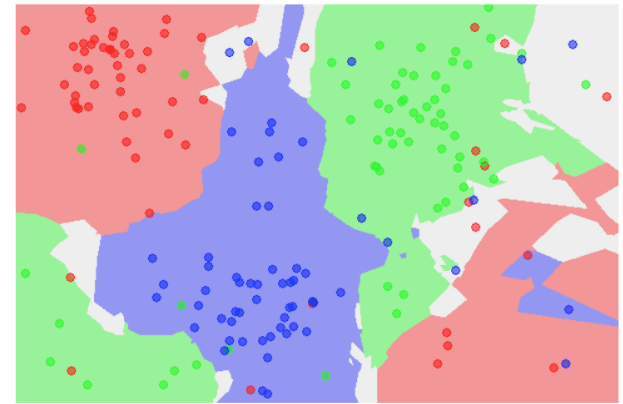
the data



NN classifier



5-NN classifier



What does this look like?



What does this look like?



How to find the most similar training image? What is the distance metric?

L1 distance:

$$d_1(I_1, I_2) = \sum_p |I_1^p - I_2^p|$$

Where I_1 denotes image 1,
and p denotes each pixel

test image

56	32	10	18
90	23	128	133
24	26	178	200
2	0	255	220

training image

10	20	24	17
8	10	89	100
12	16	178	170
4	32	233	112

pixel-wise absolute value differences

46	12	14	1
82	13	39	33
12	10	0	30
2	32	22	108

→ 456

Choice of distance metric

- Hyperparameter

L1 (Manhattan) distance

$$d_1(I_1, I_2) = \sum_p |I_1^p - I_2^p|$$

L2 (Euclidean) distance

$$d_2(I_1, I_2) = \sqrt{\sum_p (I_1^p - I_2^p)^2}$$

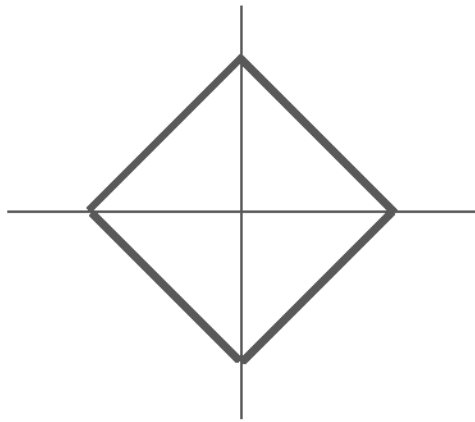
- Two most commonly used special cases of p-norm

$$\|x\|_p = (|x_1|^p + \dots + |x_n|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad p \geq 1, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

K-Nearest Neighbors: Distance Metric

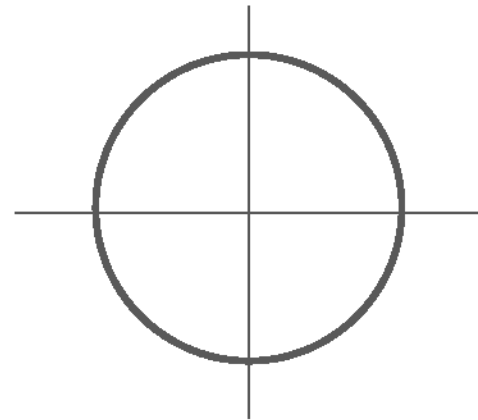
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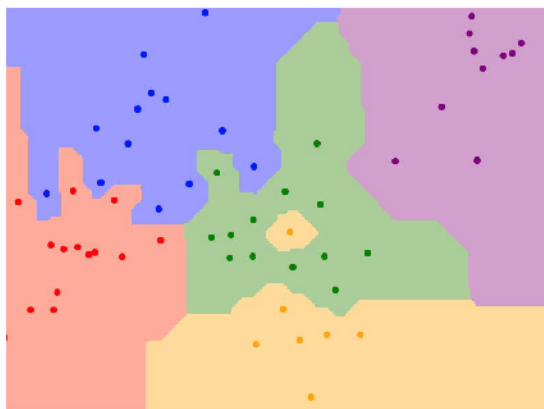
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K-Nearest Neighbors: Distance Metric

L1 (Manhattan) distance

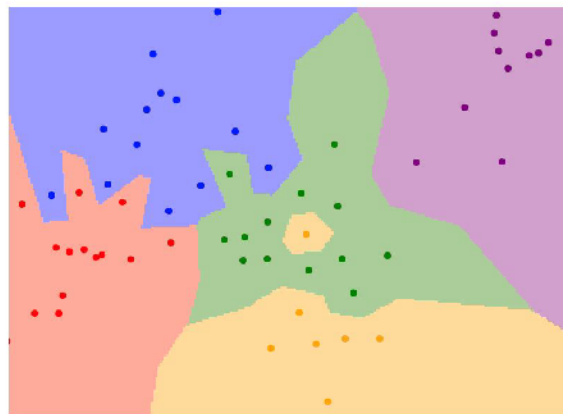
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K = 1

L2 (Euclidean) distance

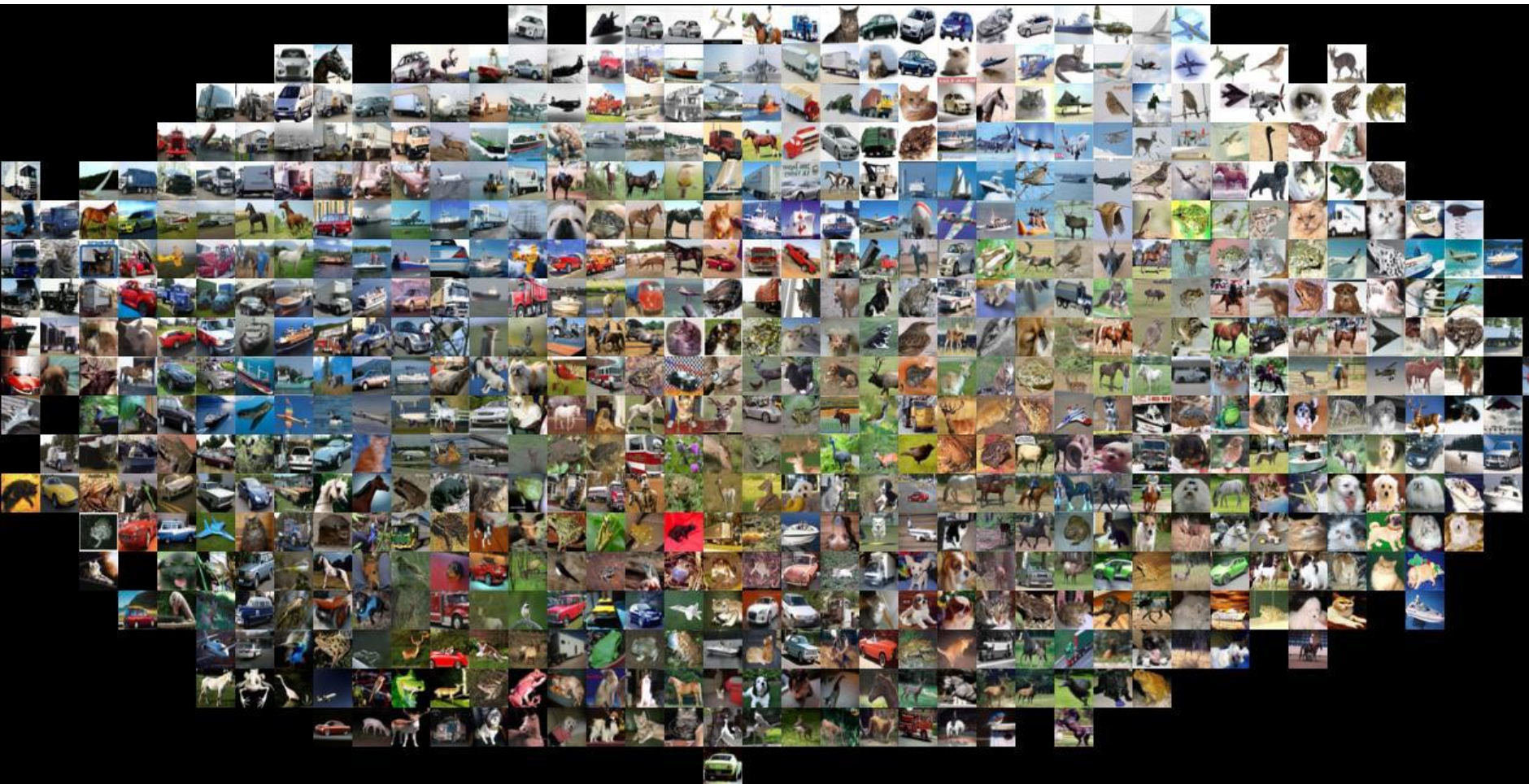
$$d_2(I_1, I_2) = \sqrt{\sum_p (I_1^p - I_2^p)^2}$$



K = 1

Demo: <http://vision.stanford.edu/teaching/cs231n-demos/knn/>

Visualization: L2 distance

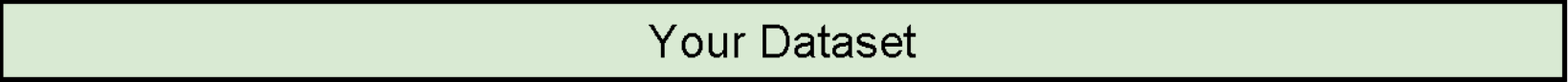


Hyperparameters

- What is the **best distance** to use?
- What is the **best value of k** to use?
- These are **hyperparameters**: choices about the algorithm that we set rather than learn
- How do we set them?
 - One option: try them all and see what works best

Setting Hyperparameters

Idea #1: Choose hyperparameters that work best on the data

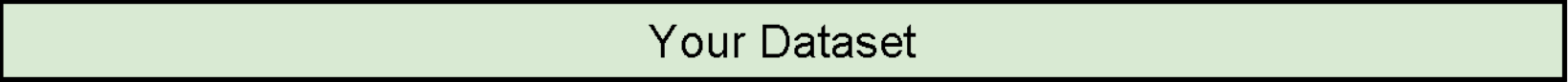


Your Dataset

Setting Hyperparameters

Idea #1: Choose hyperparameters that work best on the data

BAD: $K = 1$ always works perfectly on training data

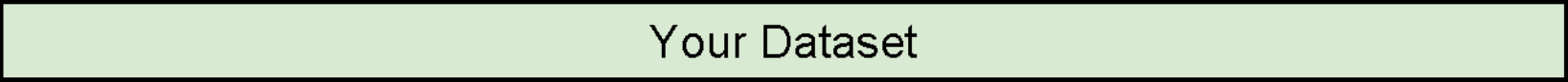


Your Dataset

Setting Hyperparameters


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Your Dataset

Idea #2: Split data into **train** and **test**, choose hyperparameters that work best on test data



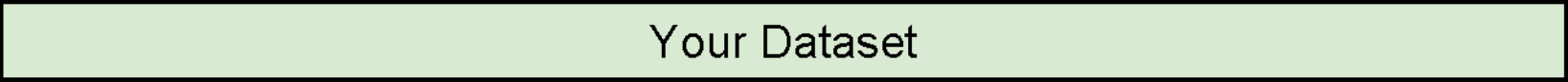
train

test

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Your Dataset

Idea #2: Split data into **train** and **test**, choose hyperparameters that work best on test data

BAD: No idea how algorithm will perform on new data



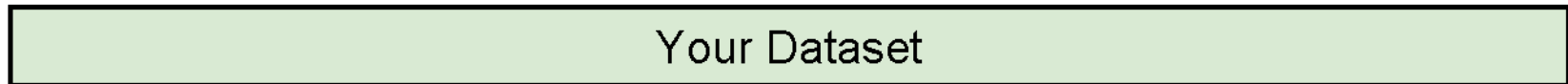
train

test

Setting Hyperparameters

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Idea #2: Split data into **train** and **test**, choose hyperparameters that work best on test data

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Idea #3: Split data into **train**, **val**, and **test**; choose hyperparameters on val and evaluate on test

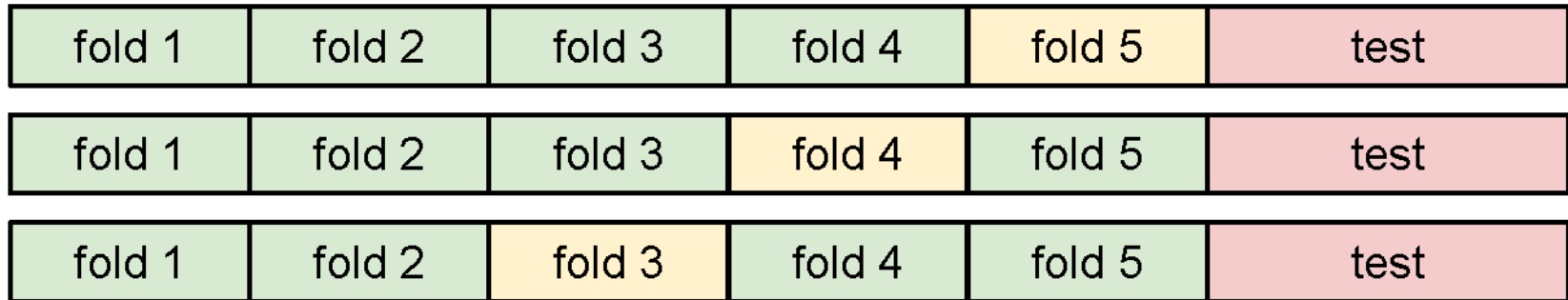
Better!



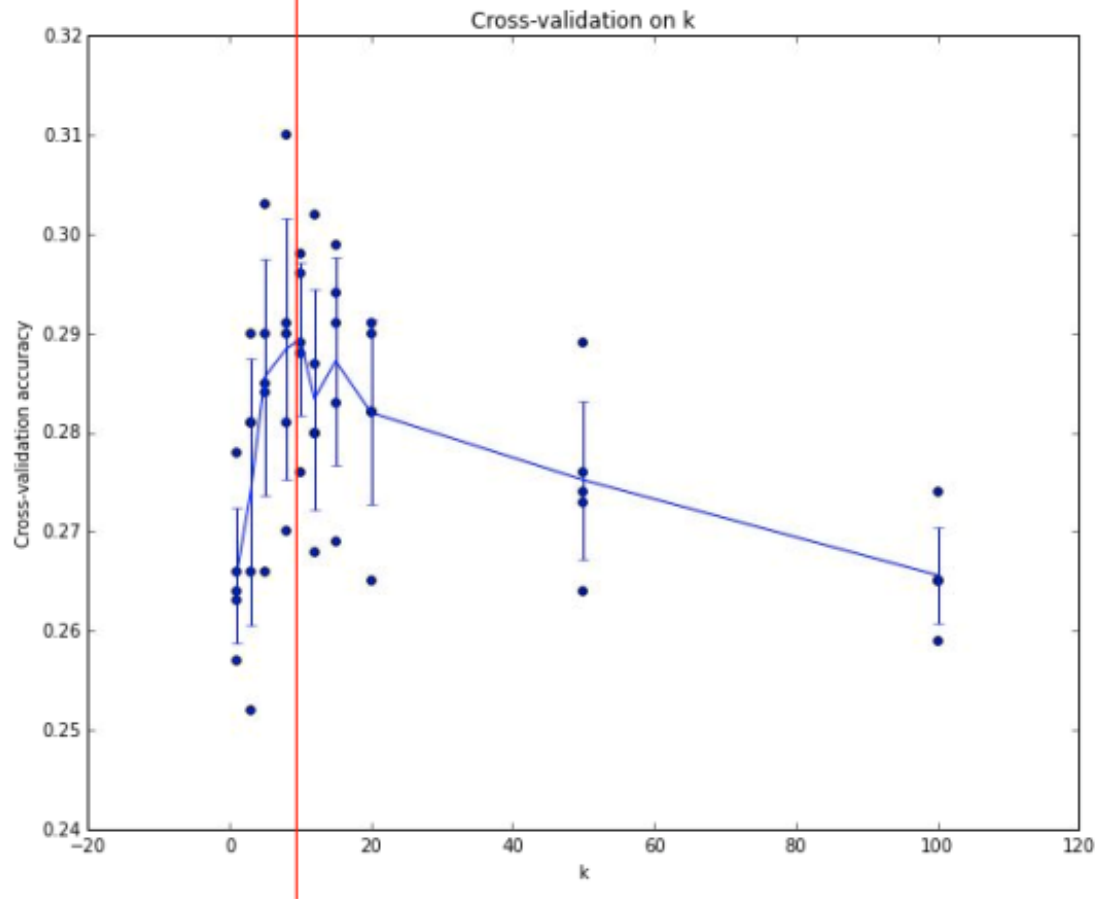
Setting Hyperparameters

Your Dataset

Idea #4: Cross-Validation: Split data into **folds**,
try each fold as validation and average the results



Useful for small datasets, but not used too frequently in deep learning



Example of
5-fold cross-validation
for the value of **k**.

Each point: single
outcome.

The line goes
through the mean, bars
indicated standard
deviation

(Seems that $k \approx 7$ works best
for this data)

Recap: How to pick hyperparameters?

- Methodology
 - Train and test
 - Train, validate, test
- Train for original model
- Validate to find hyperparameters
- Test to understand generalizability

kNN -- Complexity and Storage

- N training images, M test images
- Training: $O(1)$
- Testing: $O(MN)$
- Hmm...
 - Normally need the opposite
 - Slow training (ok), fast testing (necessary)

k-Nearest Neighbor on images **never used**.

- terrible performance at test time
- distance metrics on level of whole images can be very unintuitive



(all 3 images have same L2 distance to the one on the left)

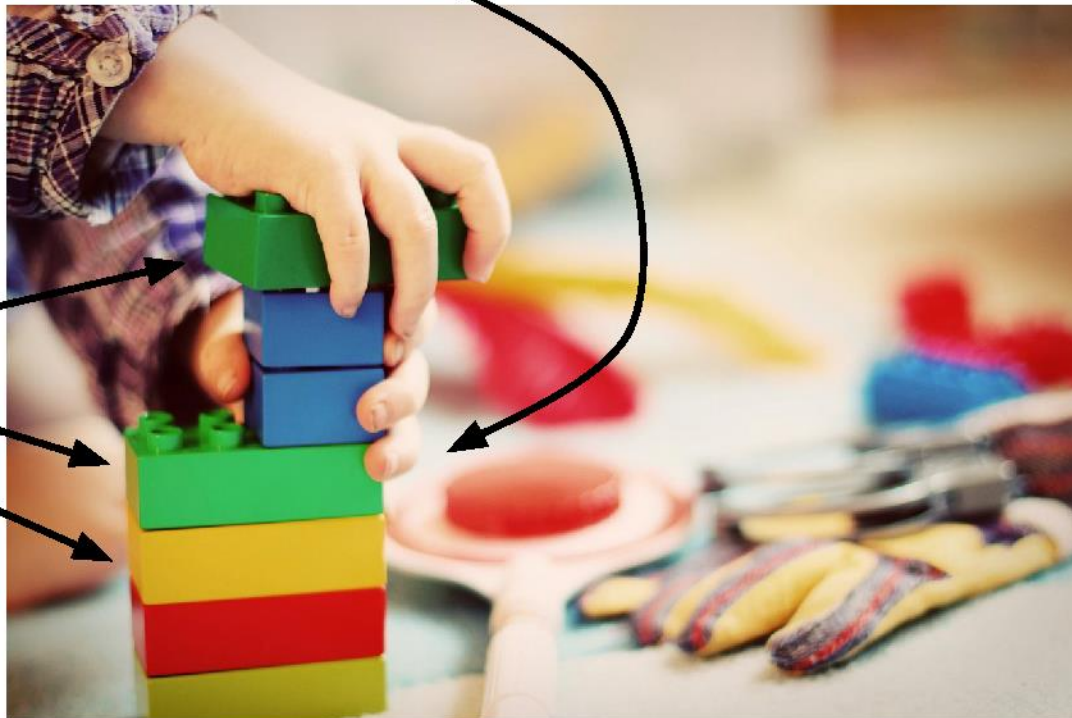
k-Nearest Neighbors: Summary

- In **image classification** we start with a **training set** of images and labels, and must predict labels on the **test set**
- The **K-Nearest Neighbors** classifier predicts labels based on nearest training examples
- Distance metric and K are **hyperparameters**
- Choose hyperparameters using the **validation set**; only run on the test set once at the very end!

Linear classifiers

Neural Network

Linear
classifiers



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Score function



class scores

Score function: f

Parametric approach



image parameters

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{W})$$

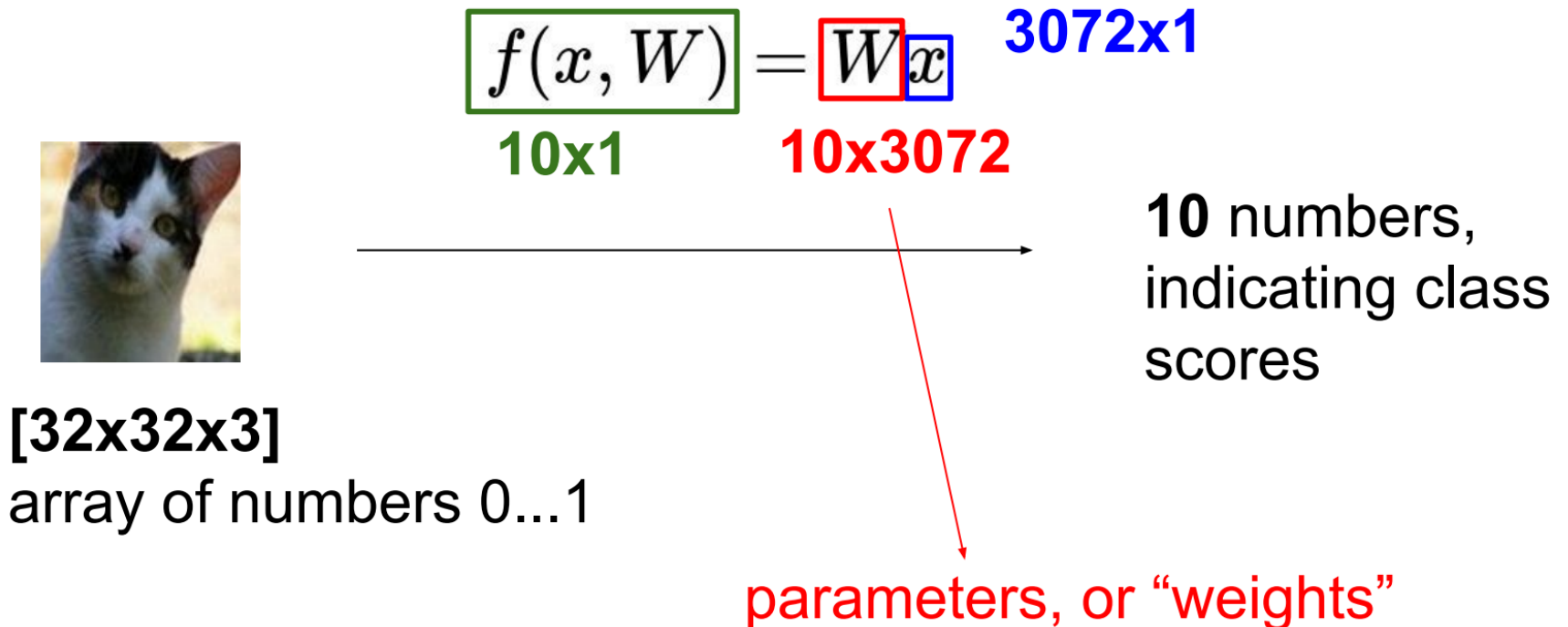


10 numbers,
indicating class
scores

[32x32x3]

array of numbers 0...1
(3072 numbers total)

Parametric approach: Linear classifier



Parametric approach: Linear classifier



[32x32x3]

array of numbers 0...1

$$\boxed{f(x, W)}_{10 \times 1} = \boxed{W}_{10 \times 3072} \boxed{x}_{3072 \times 1} + \boxed{(+b)}_{10 \times 1}$$

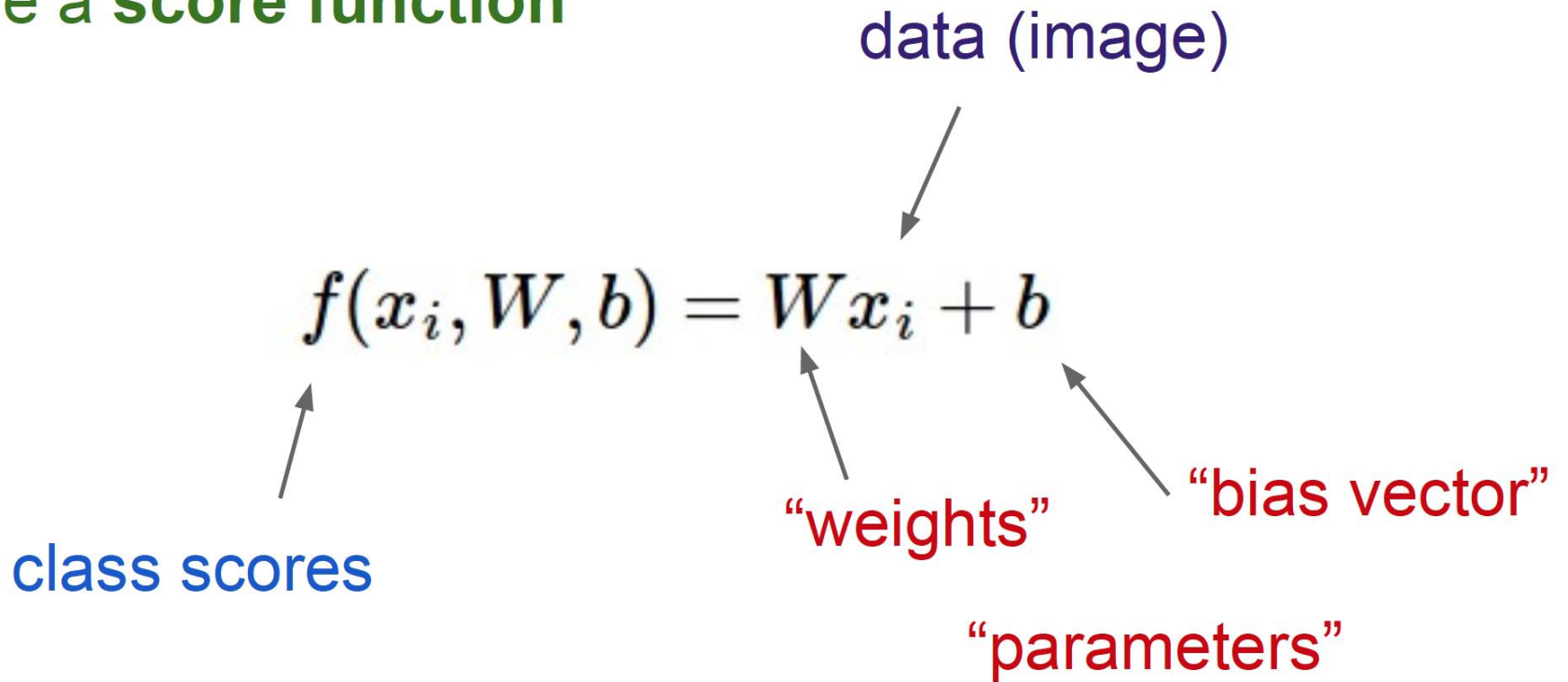


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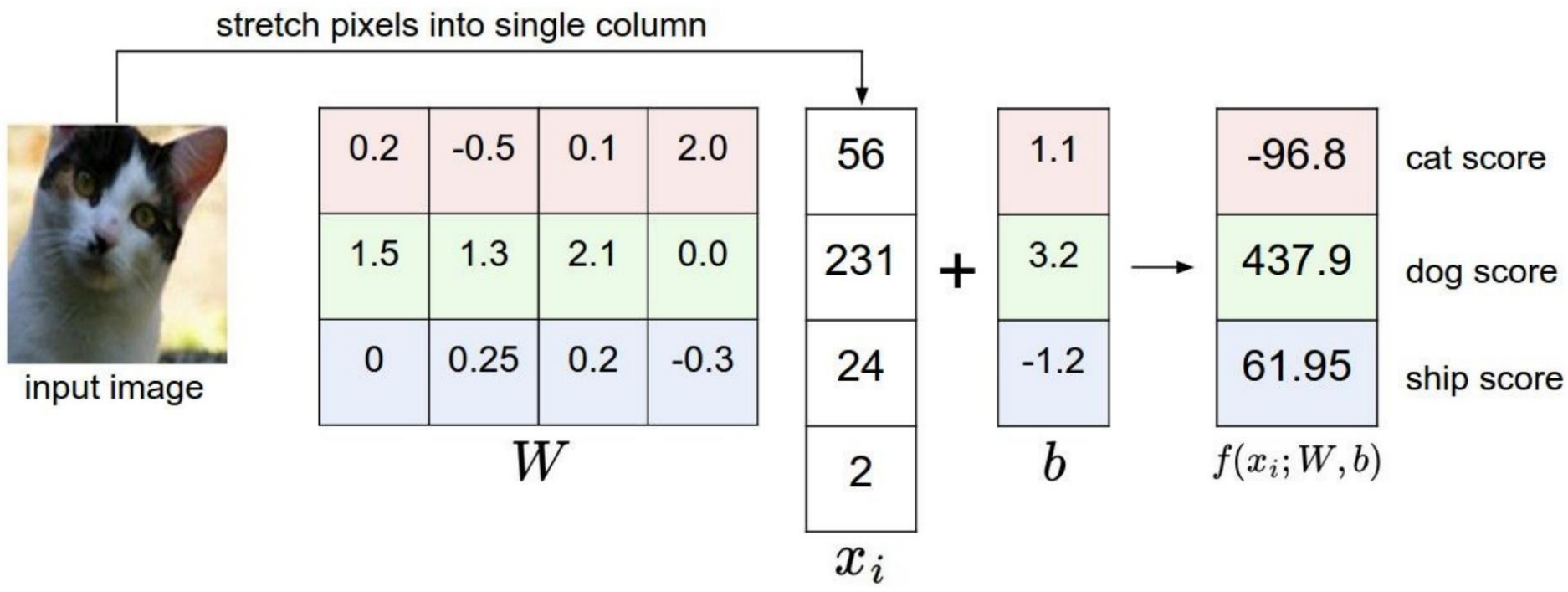
parameters, or "weights"

Linear Classifier

define a **score function**



Example with an image with 4 pixels, and 3 classes (cat/dog/ship)

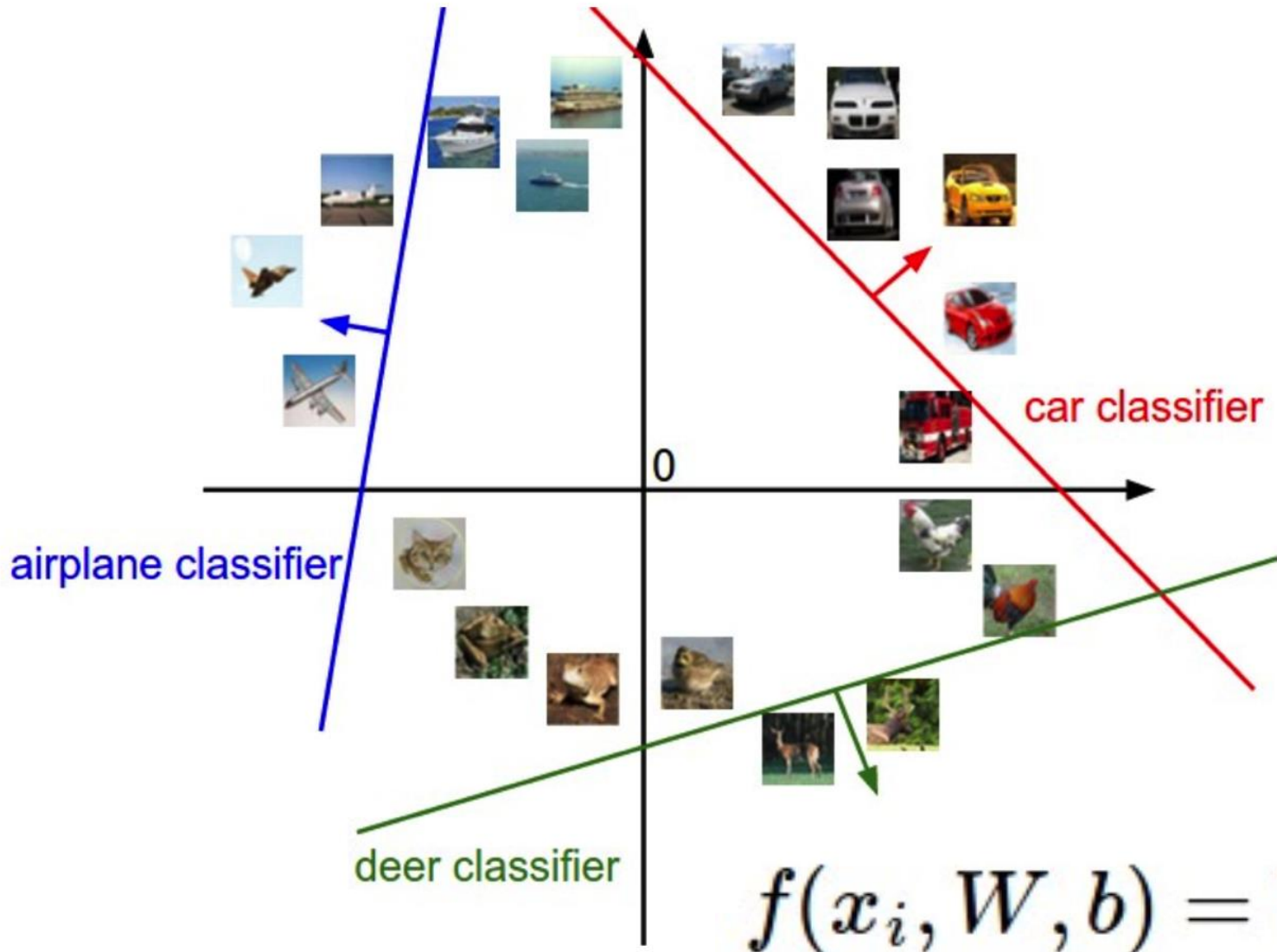


Interpretation: Template matching



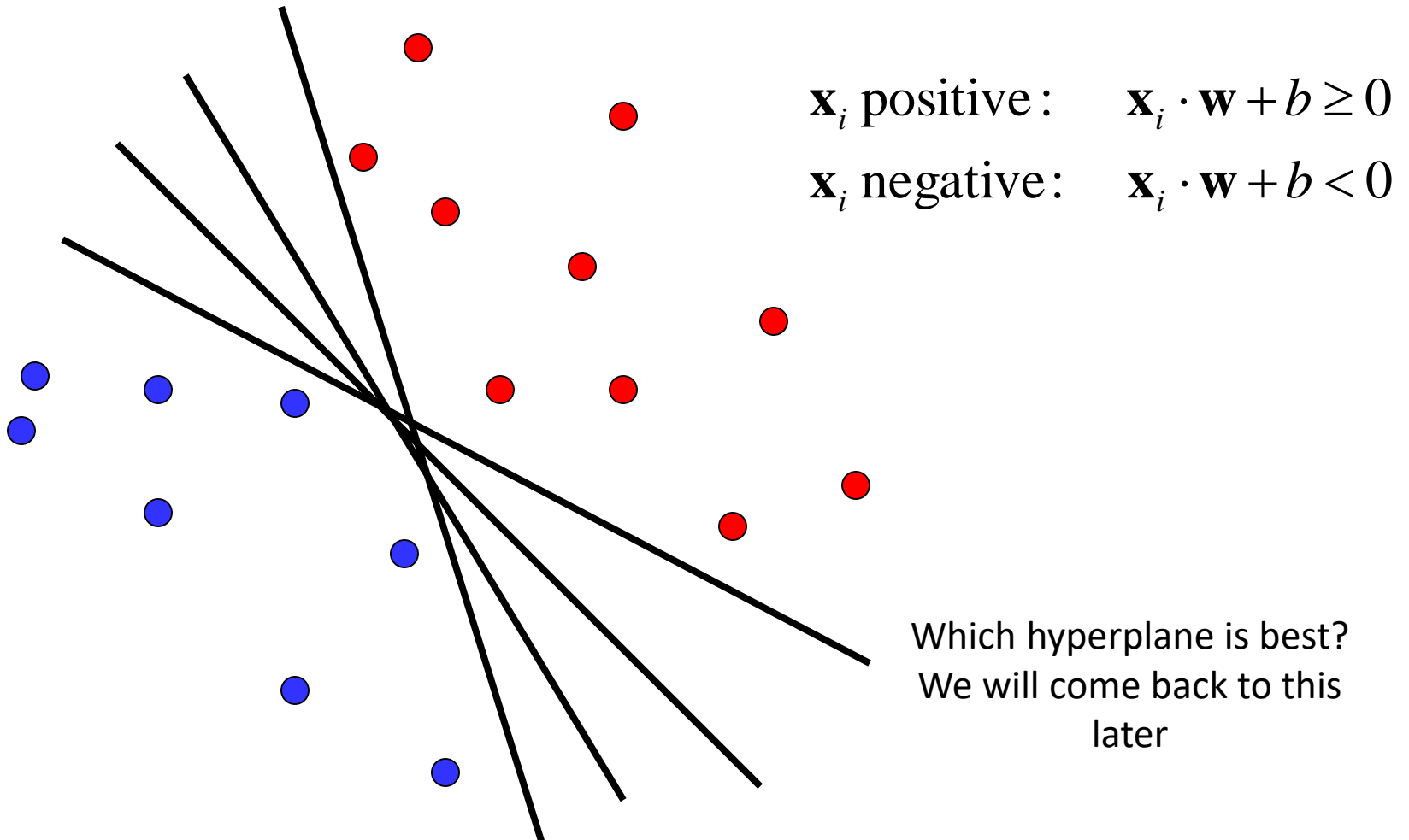
$$f(x_i, W, b) = Wx_i + b$$

Geometric Interpretation



Linear classifiers

- Find linear function (*hyperplane*) to separate positive and negative examples



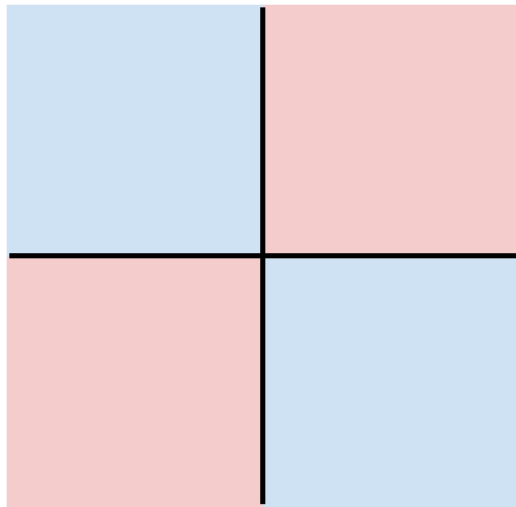
Hard cases for a linear classifier

Class 1:

First and third quadrants

Class 2:

Second and fourth quadrants

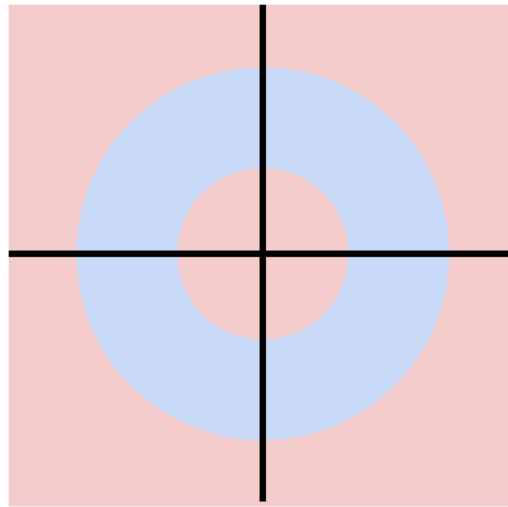


Class 1:

$1 \leq \text{L2 norm} \leq 2$

Class 2:

Everything else

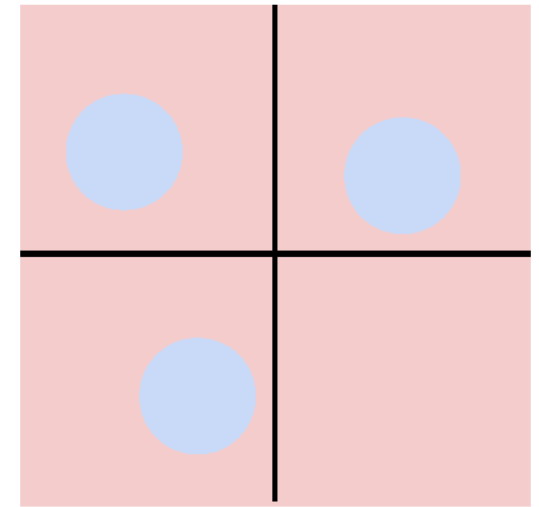


Class 1:

Three modes

Class 2:

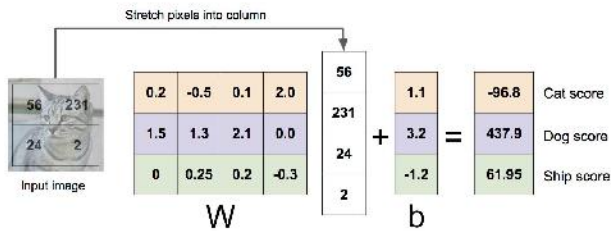
Everything else



Linear Classifier: Three Viewpoints

Algebraic Viewpoint

$$f(x, W) = Wx$$



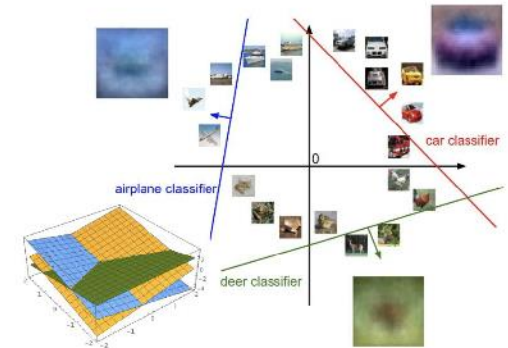
Visual Viewpoint

One template
per class



Geometric Viewpoint

Hyperplanes
cutting up space



So far: Defined a (linear) score function $f(x, W) = Wx + b$

Example class scores for 3 images for some W :



How can we tell whether this W is good or bad?

airplane	-3.45	-0.51	3.42
automobile	-8.87	6.04	4.64
bird	0.09	5.31	2.65
cat	2.9	-4.22	5.1
deer	4.48	-4.19	2.64
dog	8.02	3.58	5.55
frog	3.78	4.49	-4.34
horse	1.06	-4.37	-1.5
ship	-0.36	-2.09	-4.79
truck	-0.72	-2.93	6.14

$$f(x, W) = Wx + b$$

Coming up:

- **Loss function**
- **Optimization**
- **ConvNets!**

(quantifying what it means to have a “good” W)

(start with random W and find a W that minimizes the loss)

(tweak the functional form of f)