



Automated Scalable Bayesian Inference via Data Summarization

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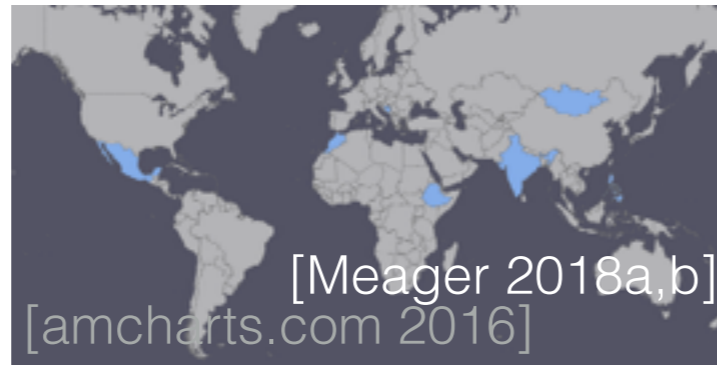
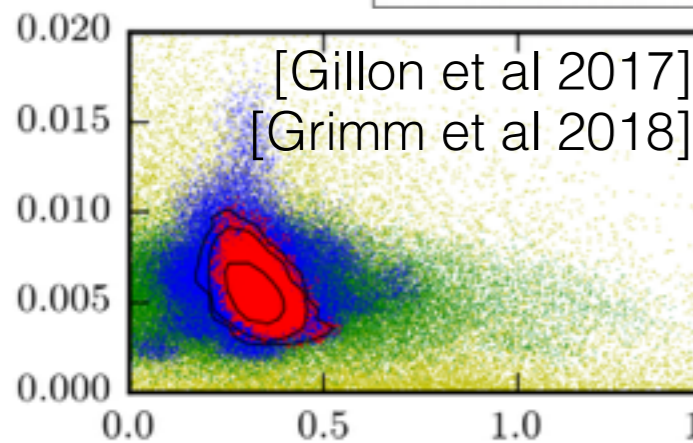
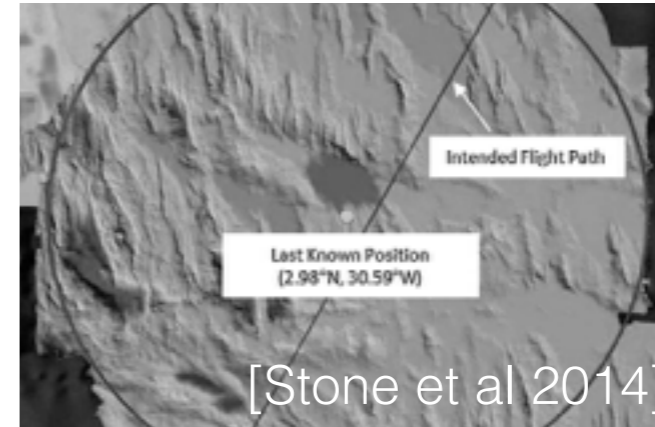
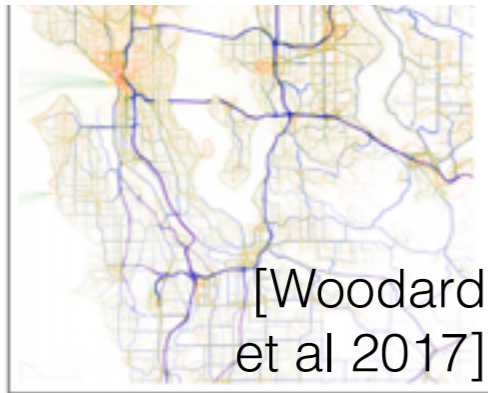
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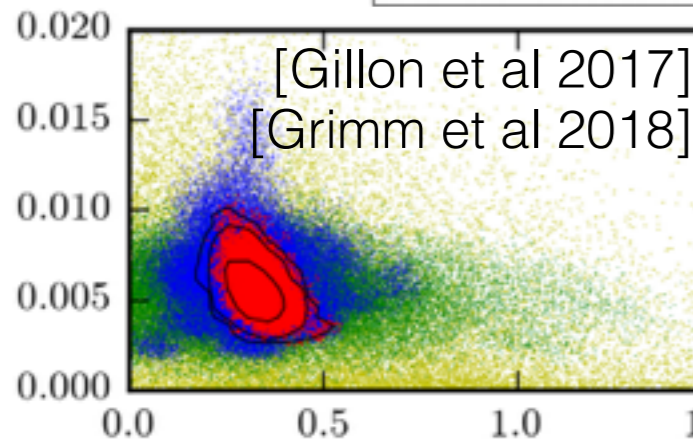
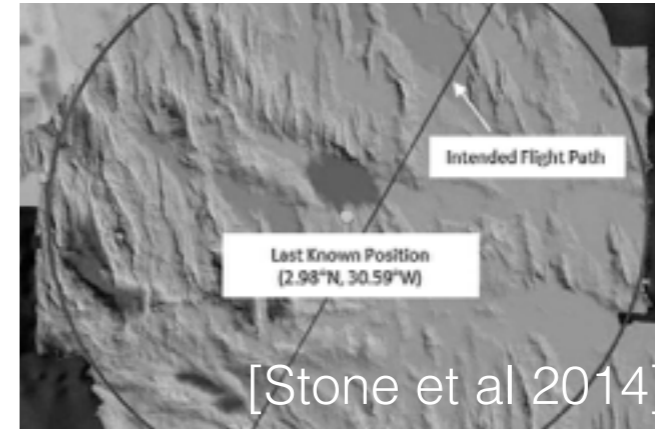
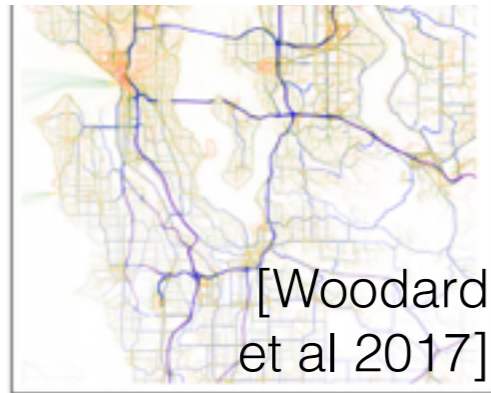


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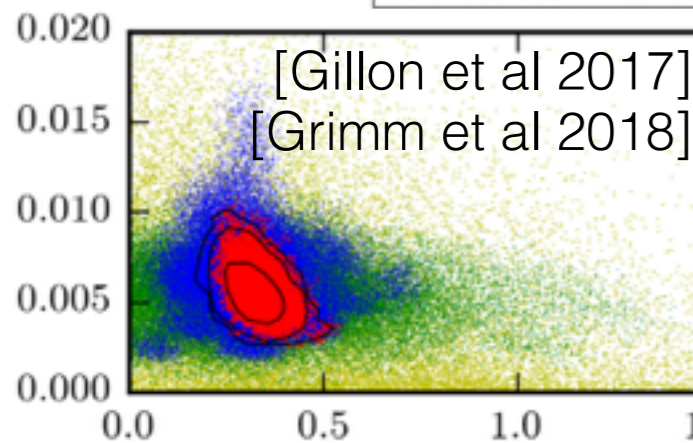
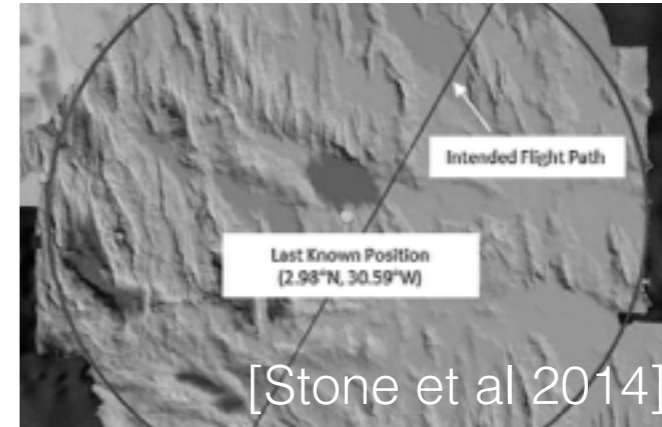
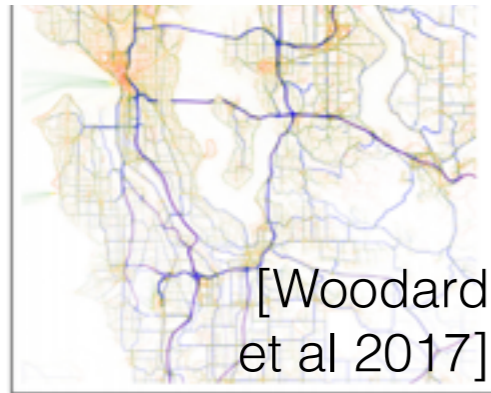


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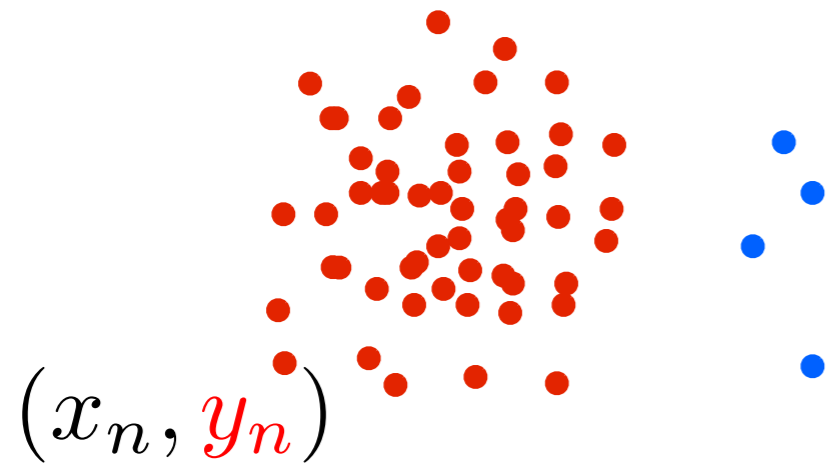
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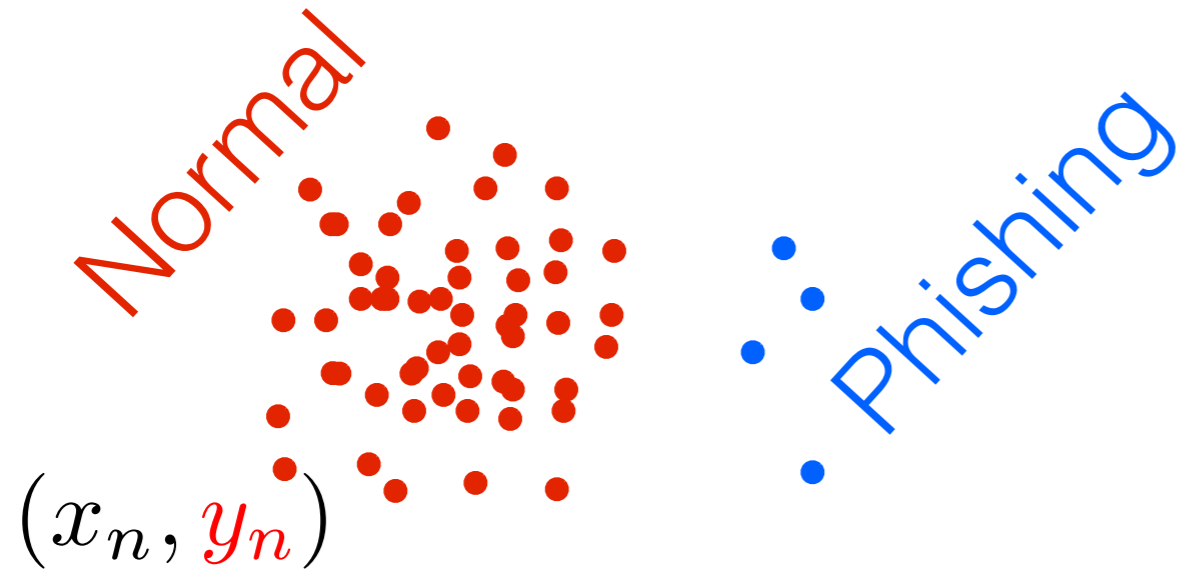
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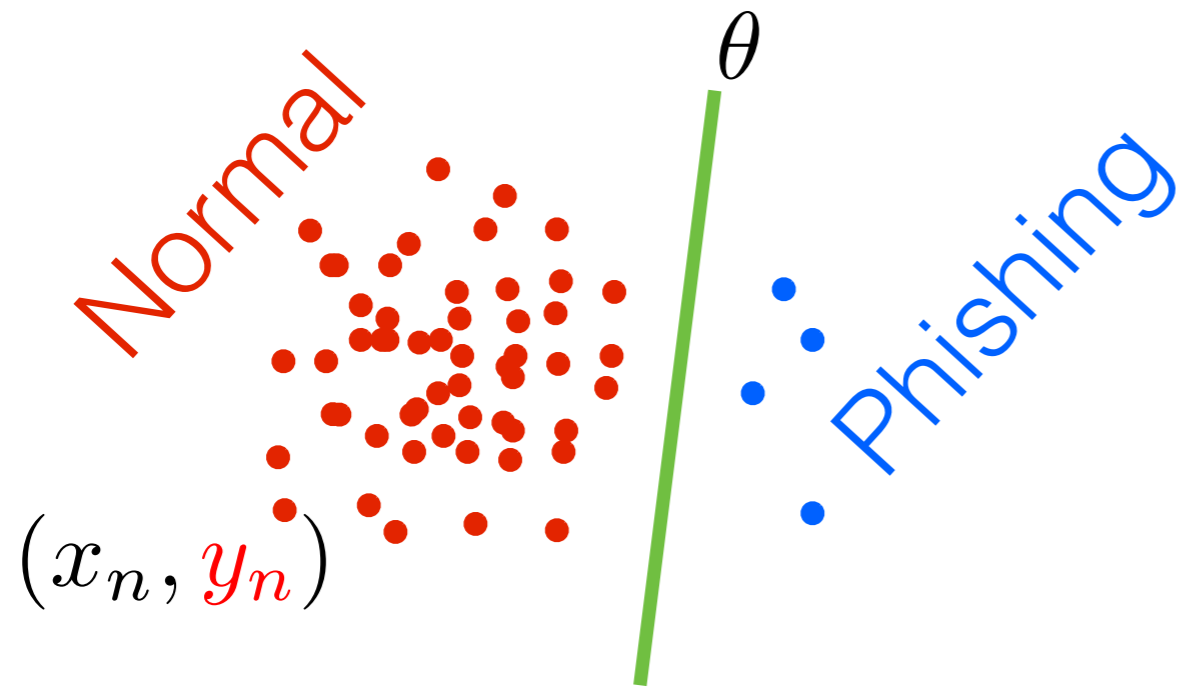
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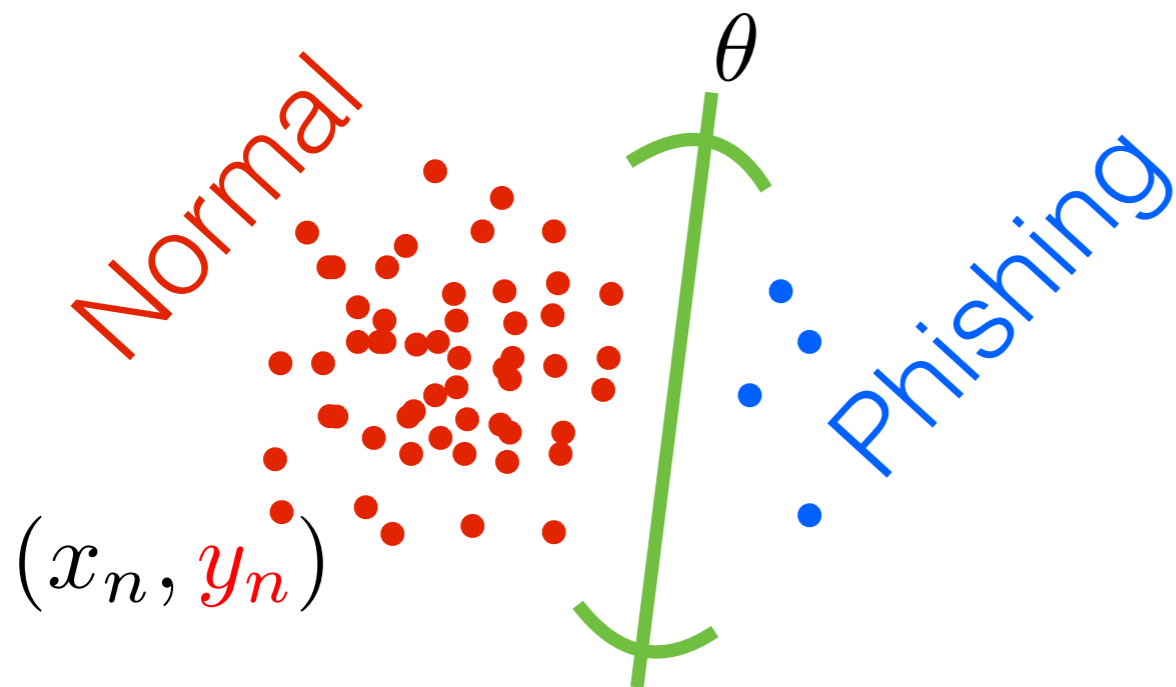
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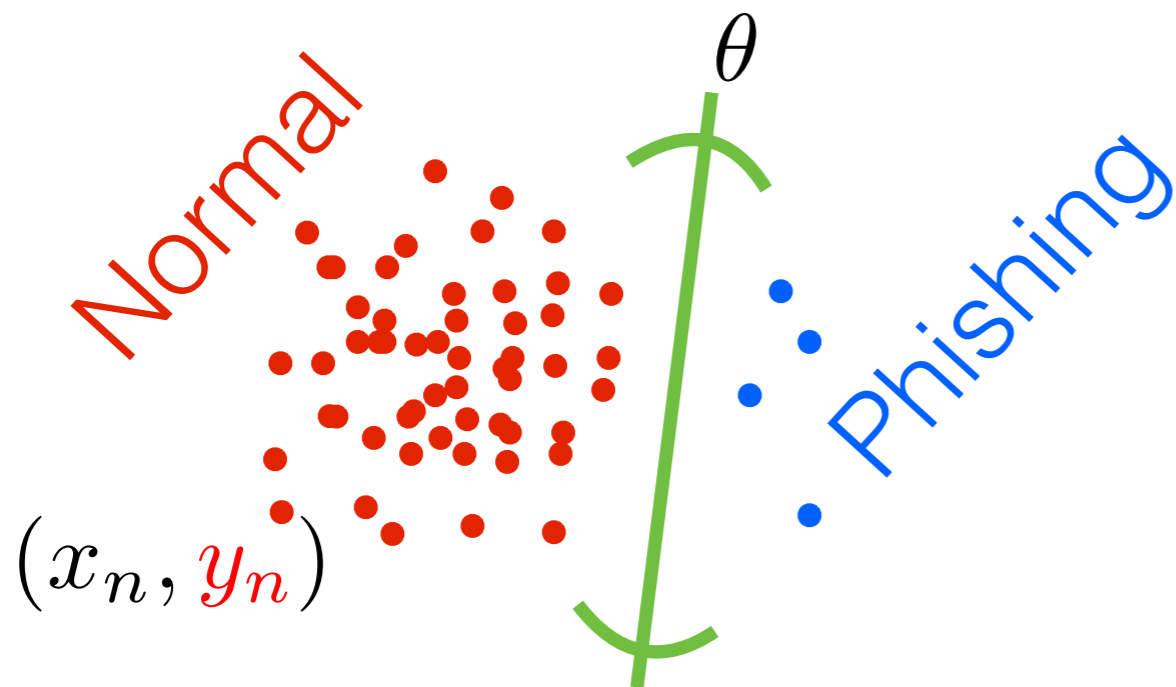
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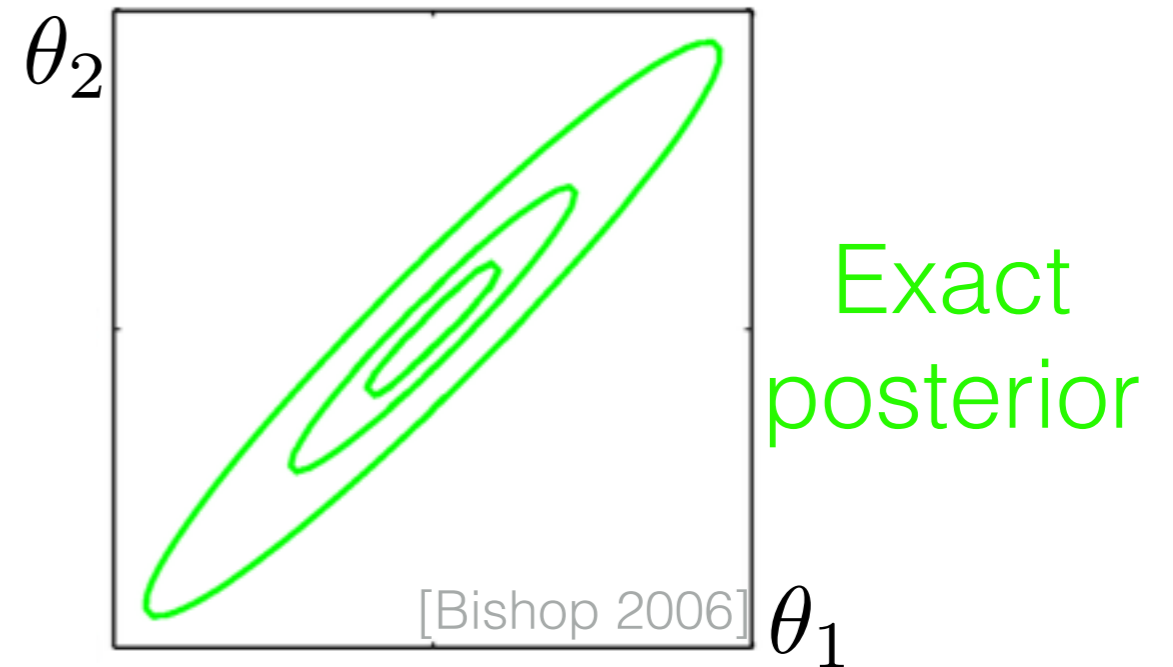
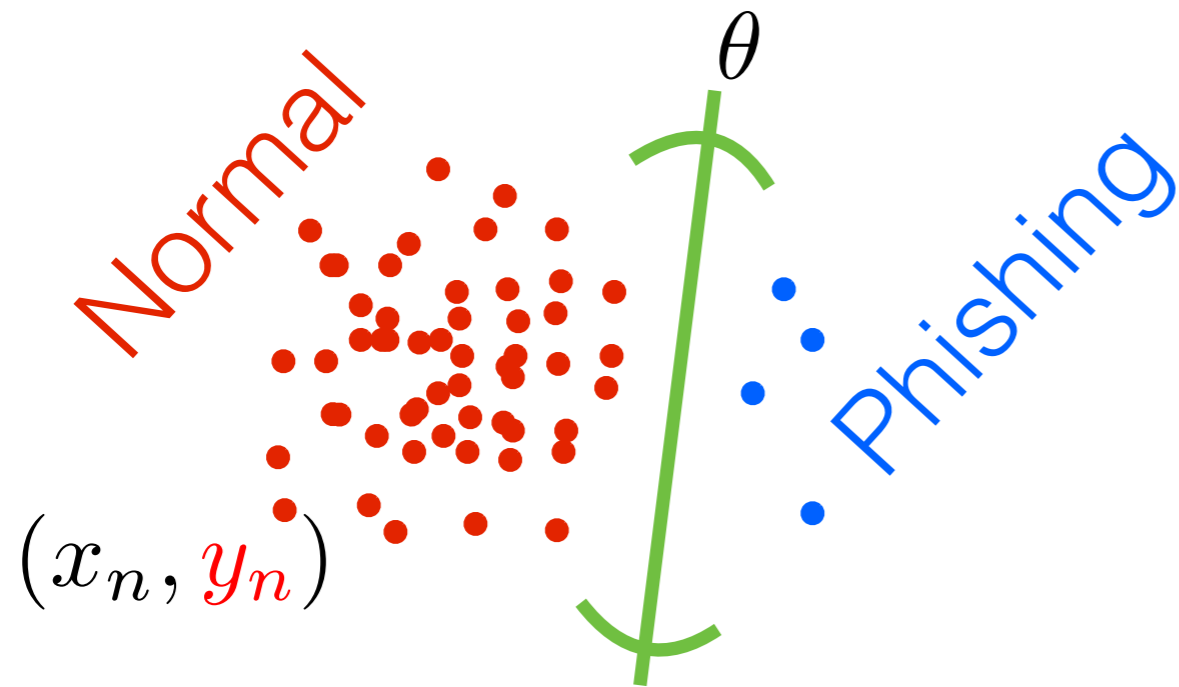
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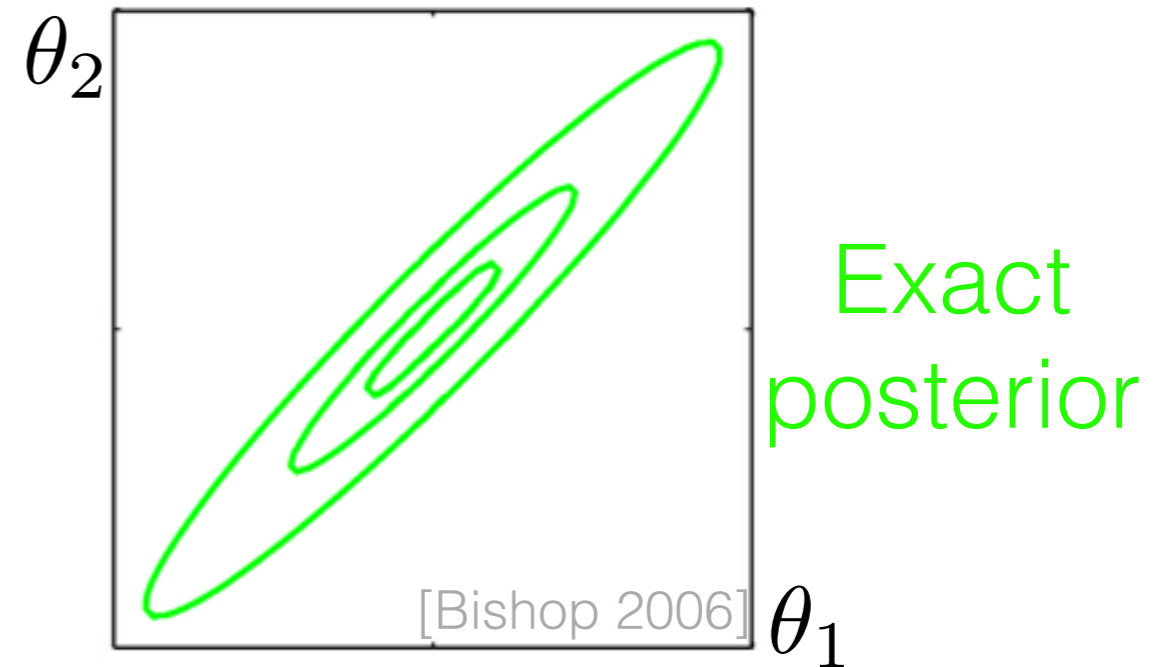
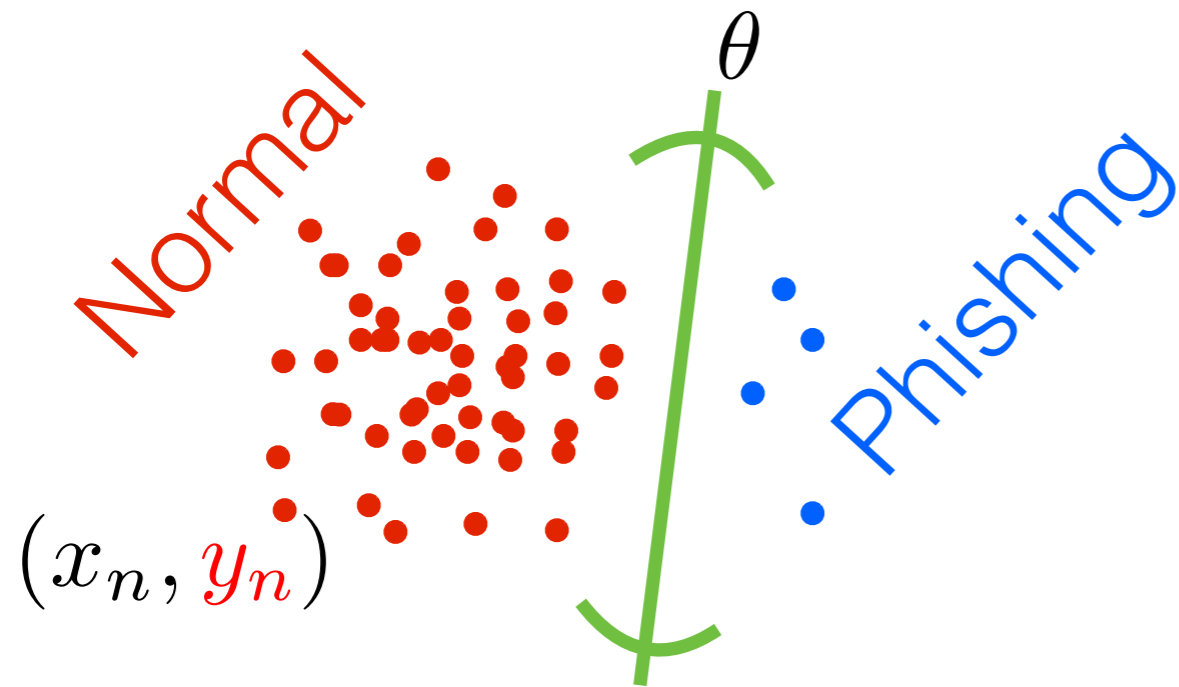
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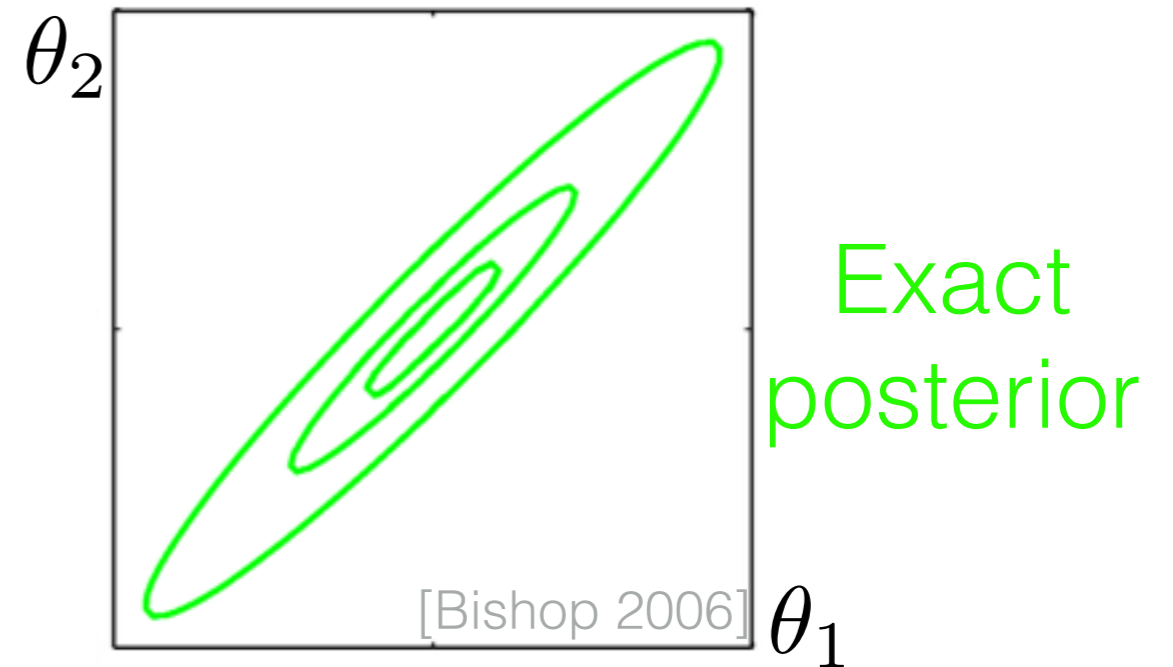
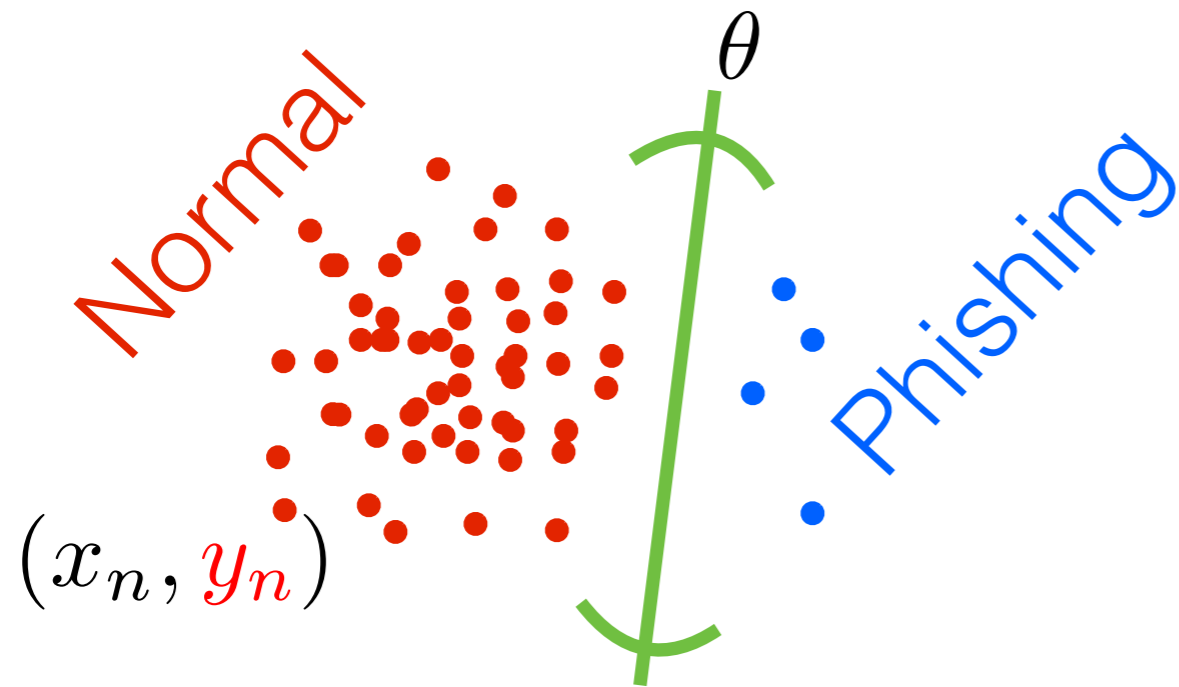
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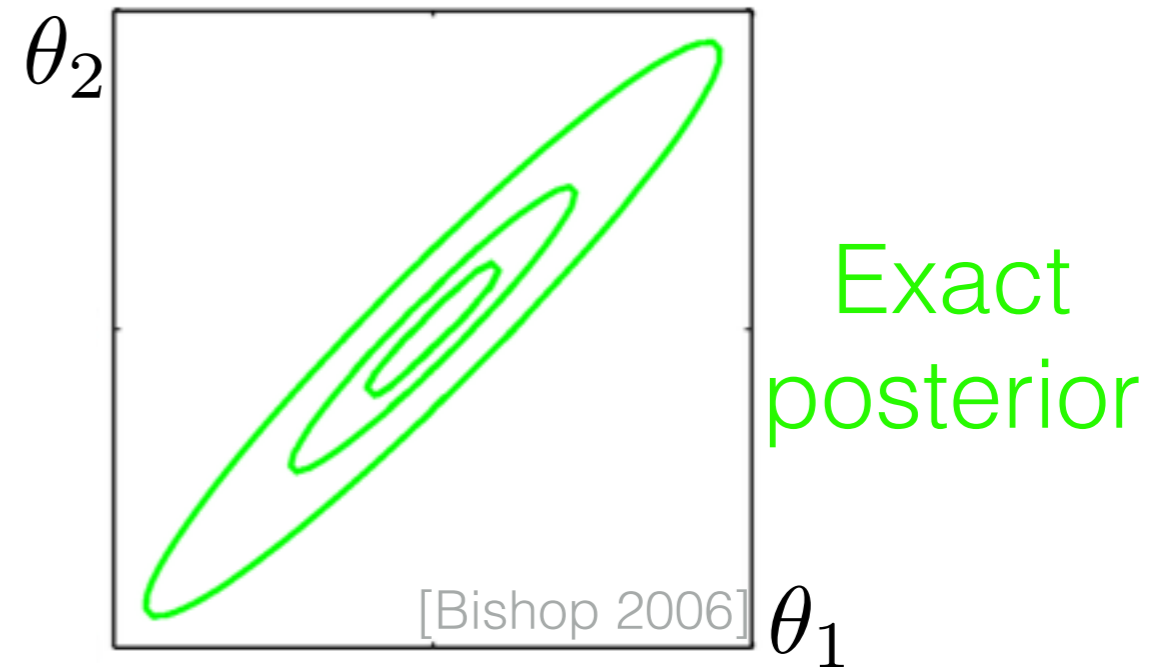
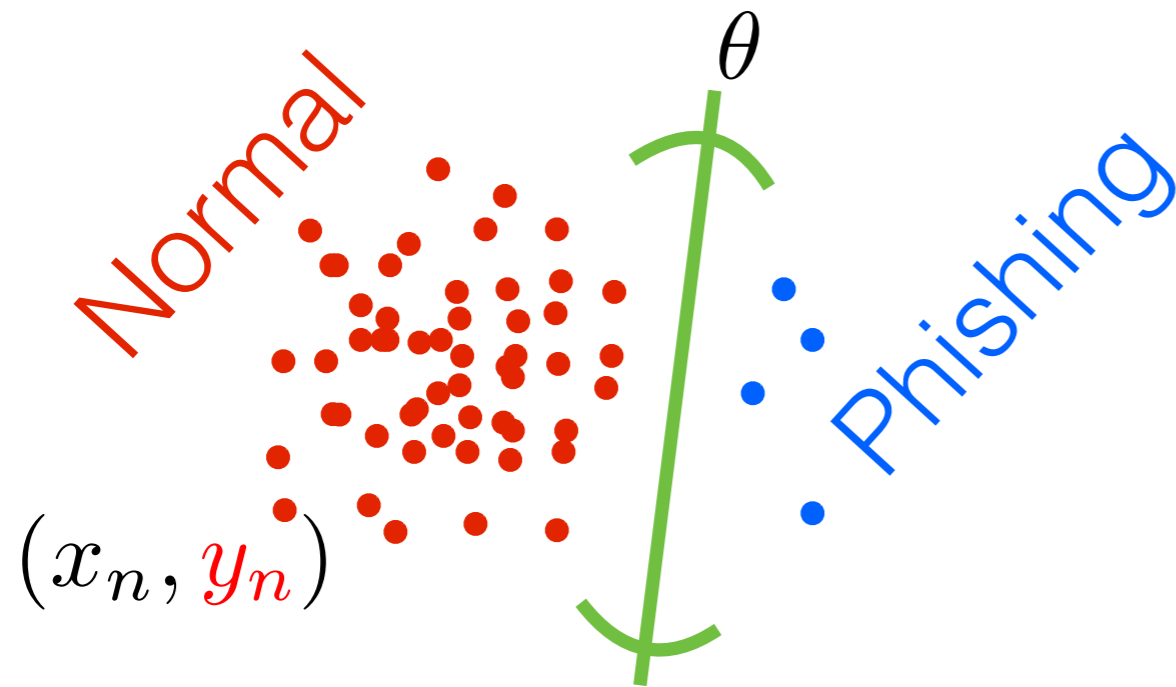
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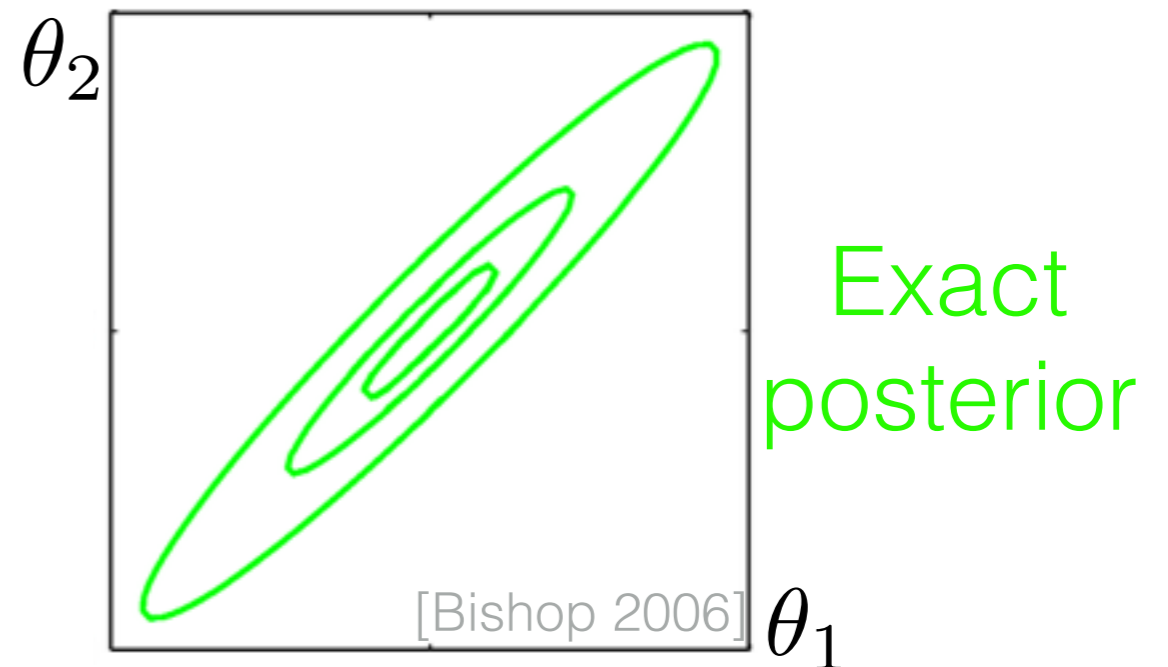
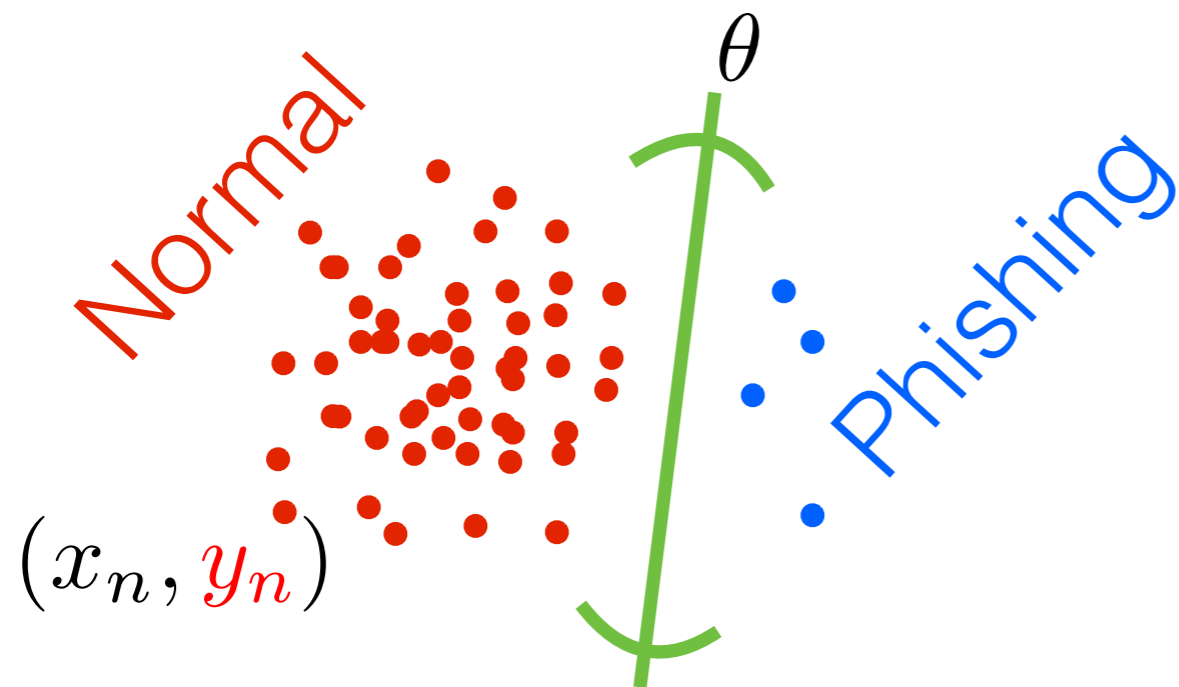
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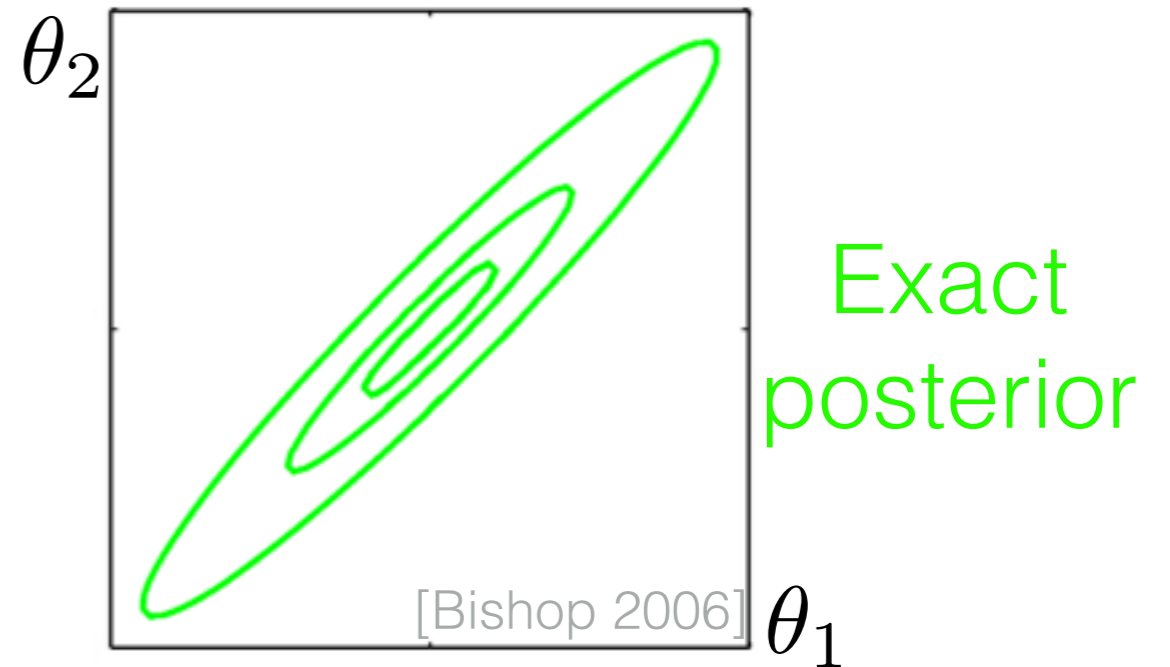
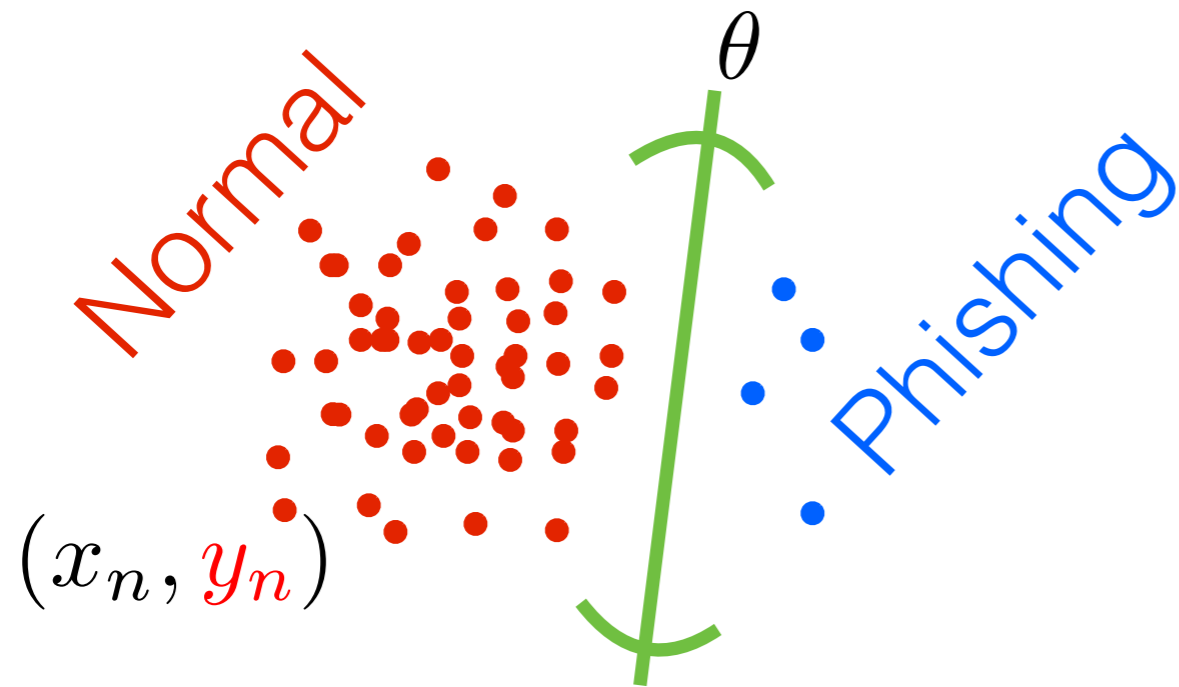
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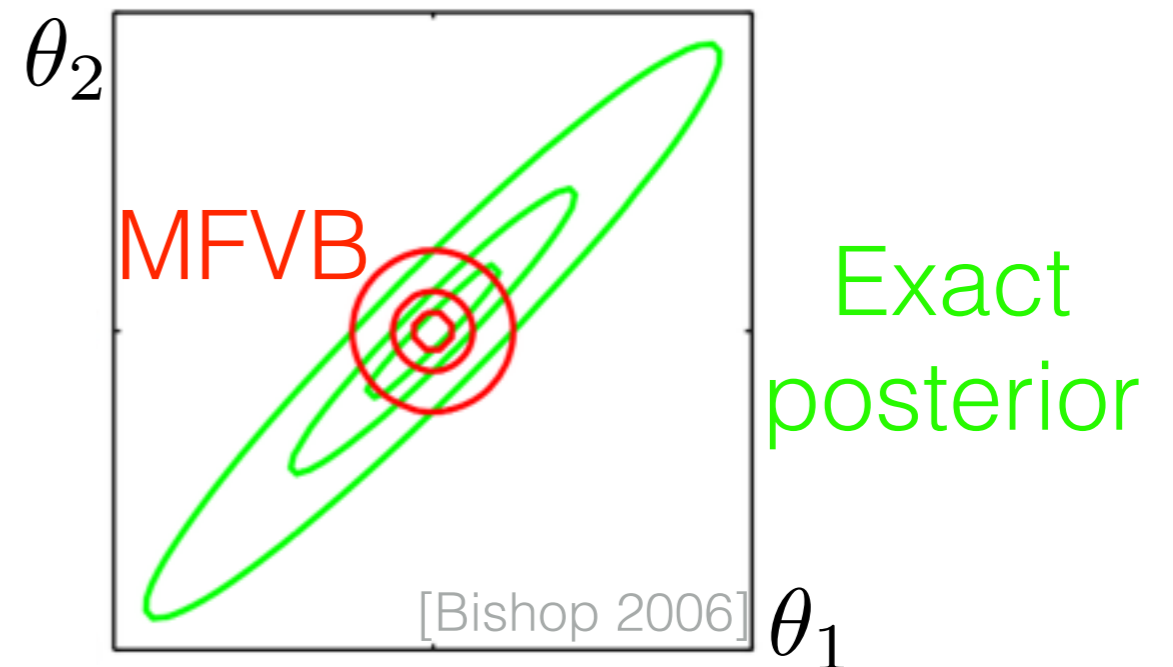
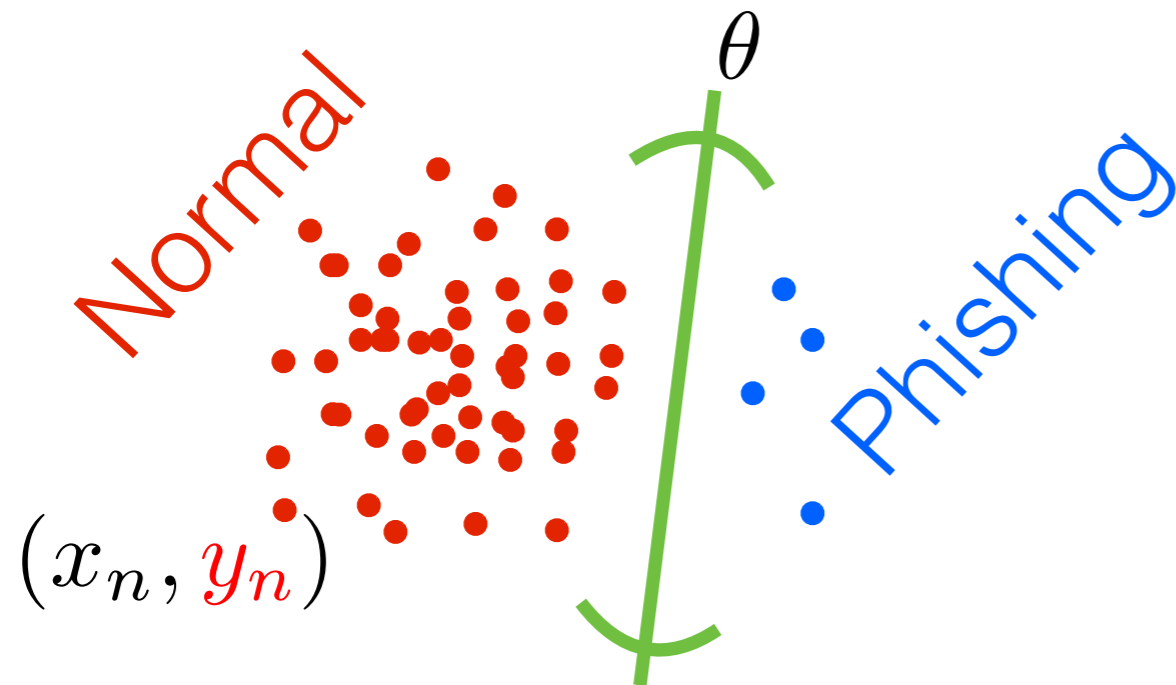


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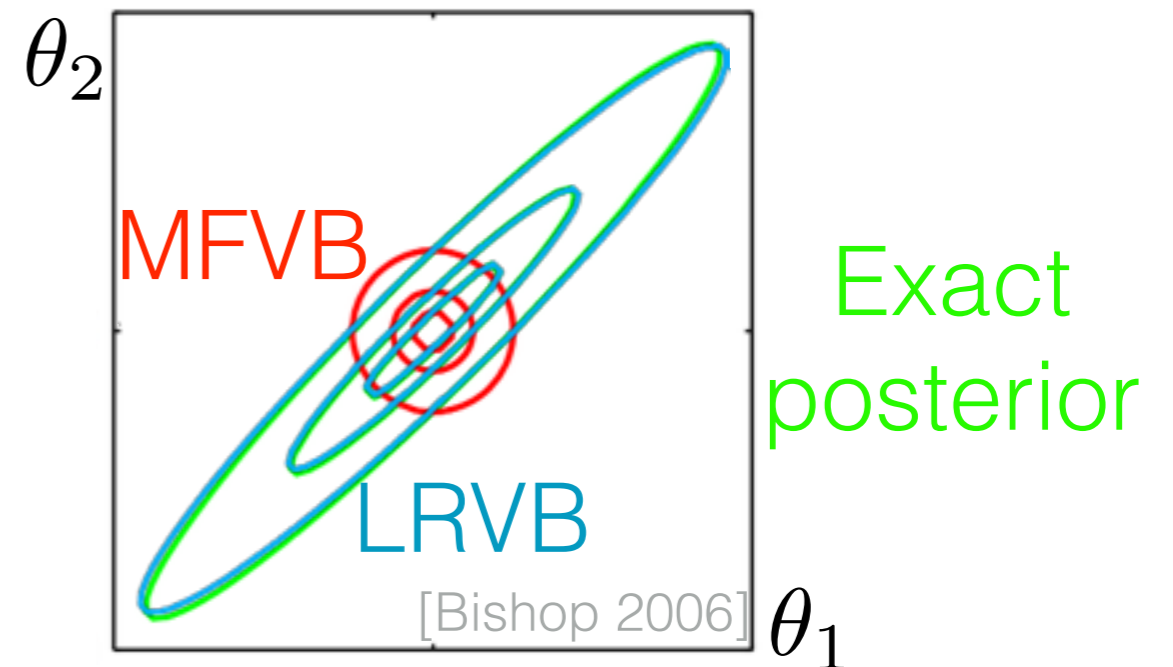
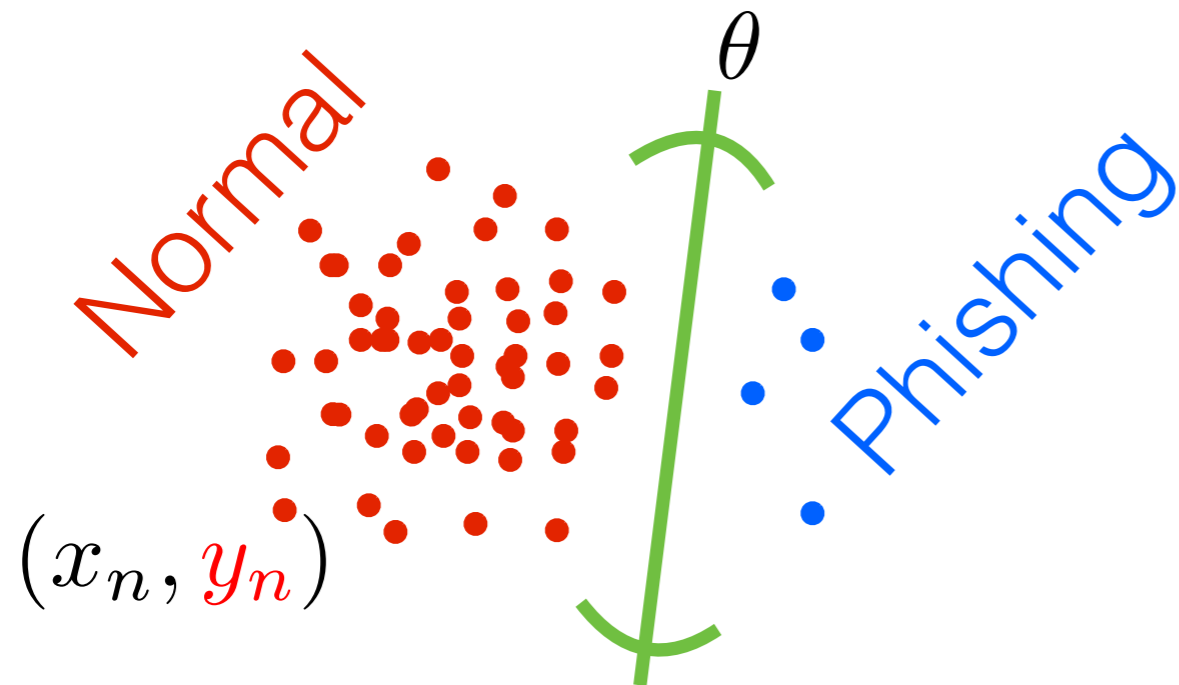


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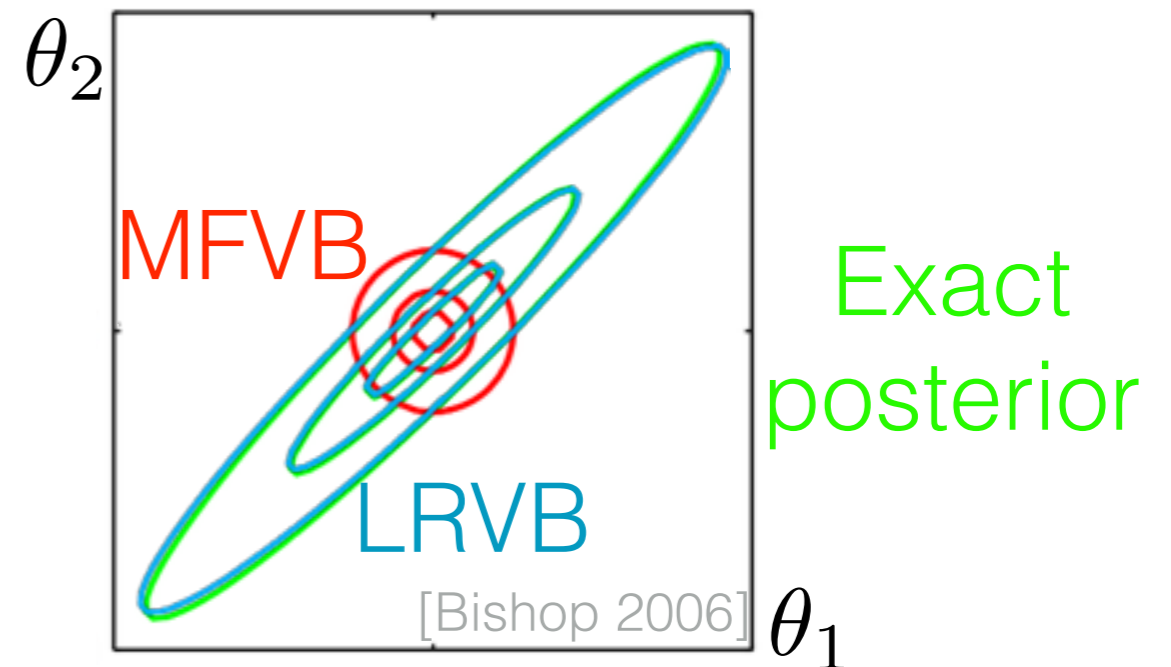
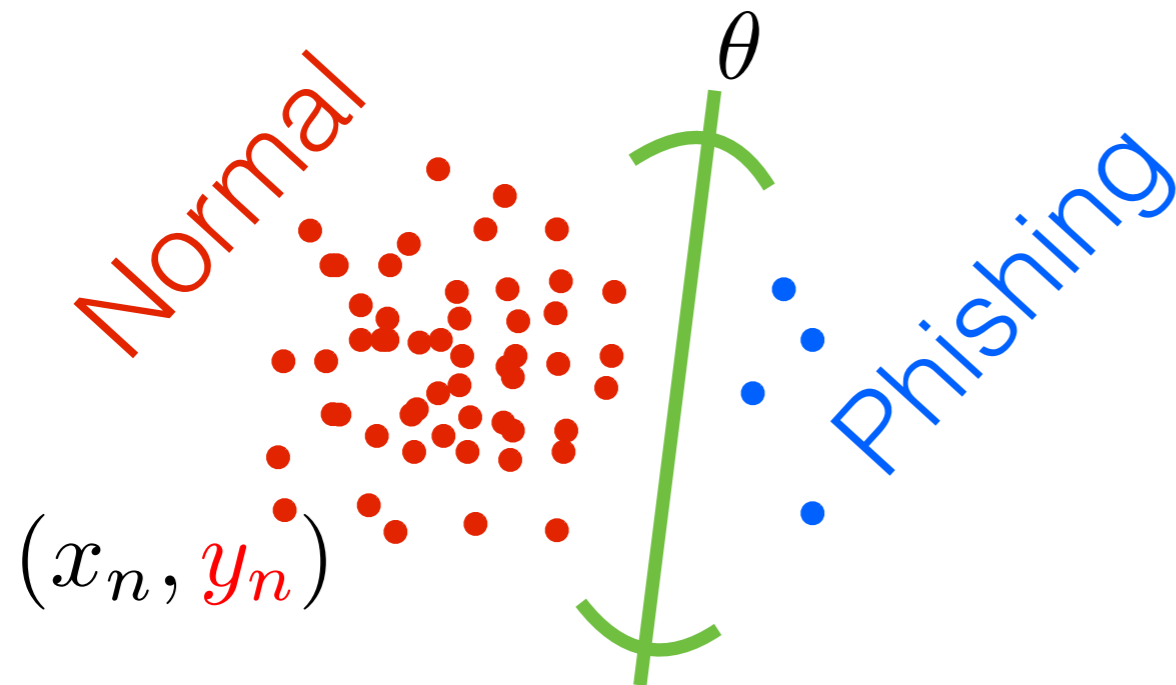


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- Automation: e.g. Stan, NUTS, ADVI

[<http://mc-stan.org/>; Hoffman, Gelman 2014; Kucukelbir, Tran, Ranganath, Gelman, Blei 2017]

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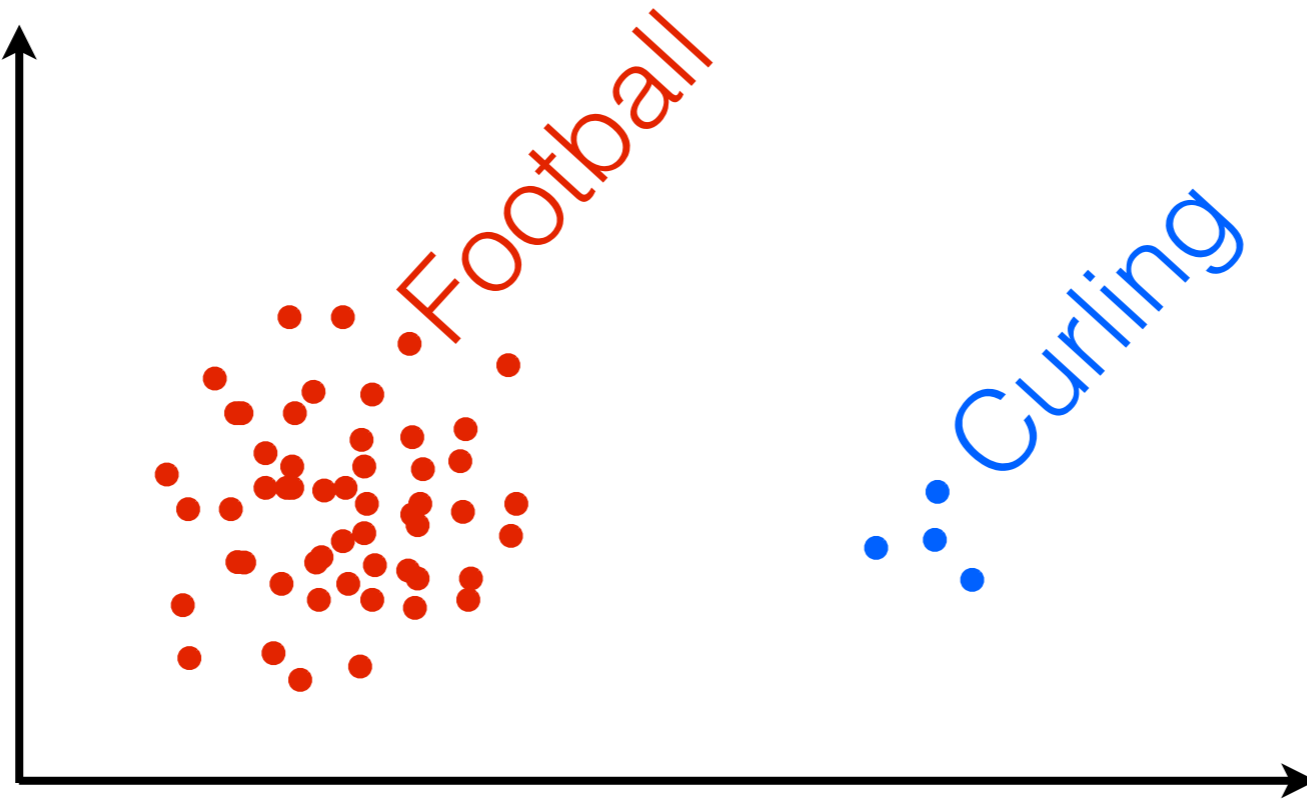
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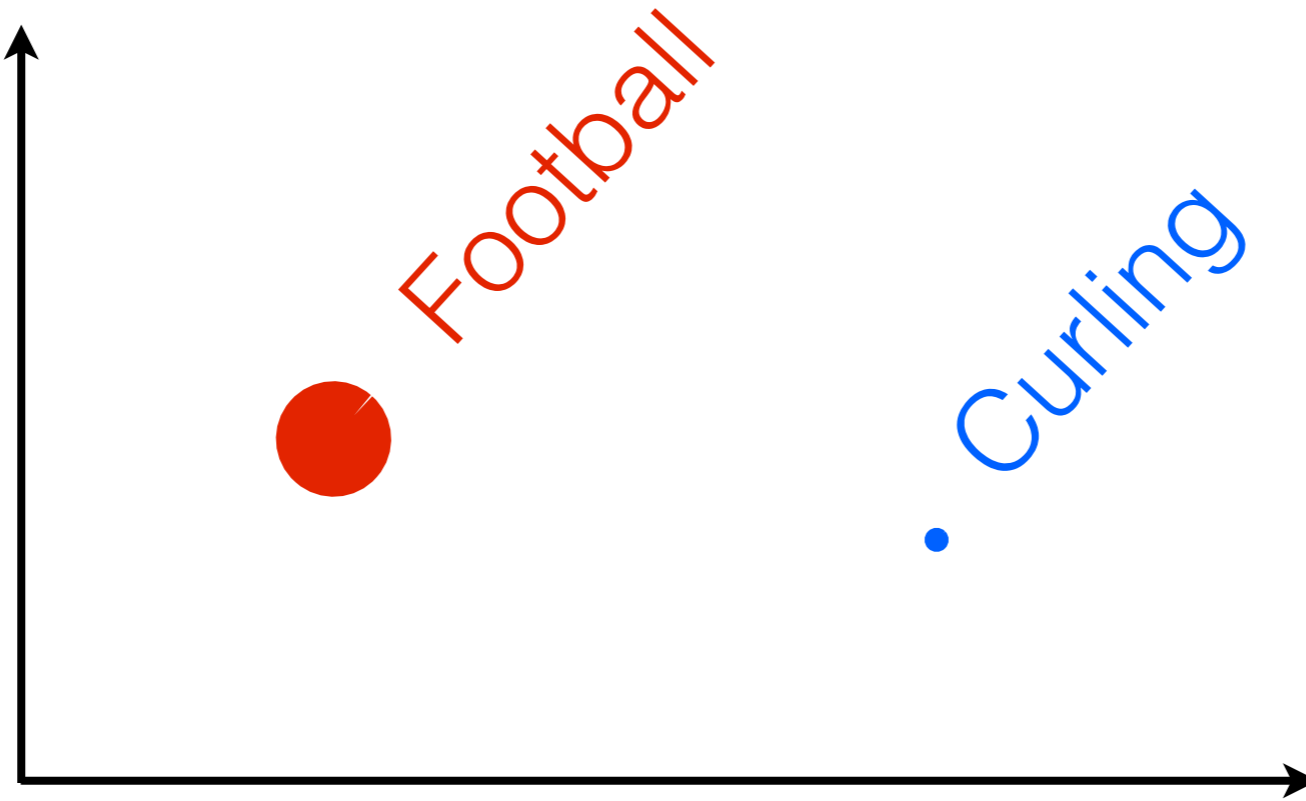
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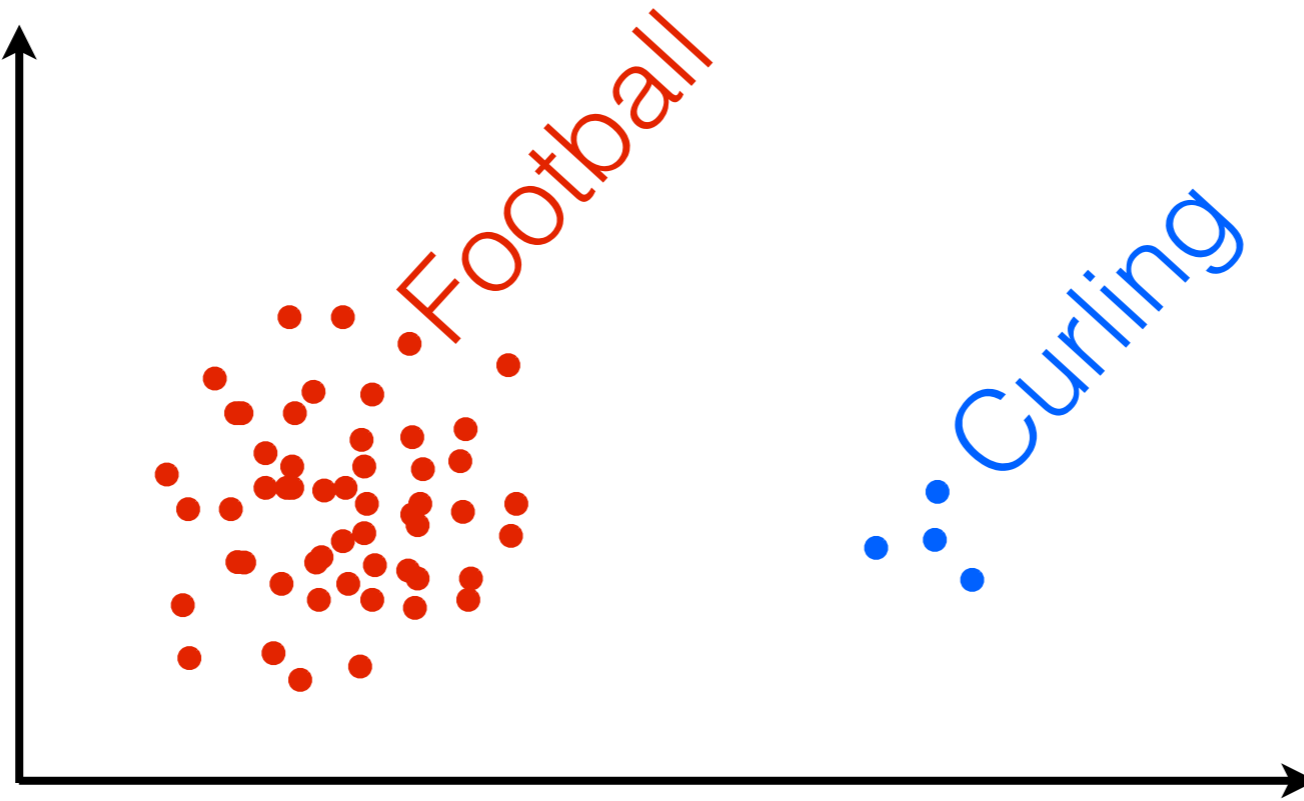
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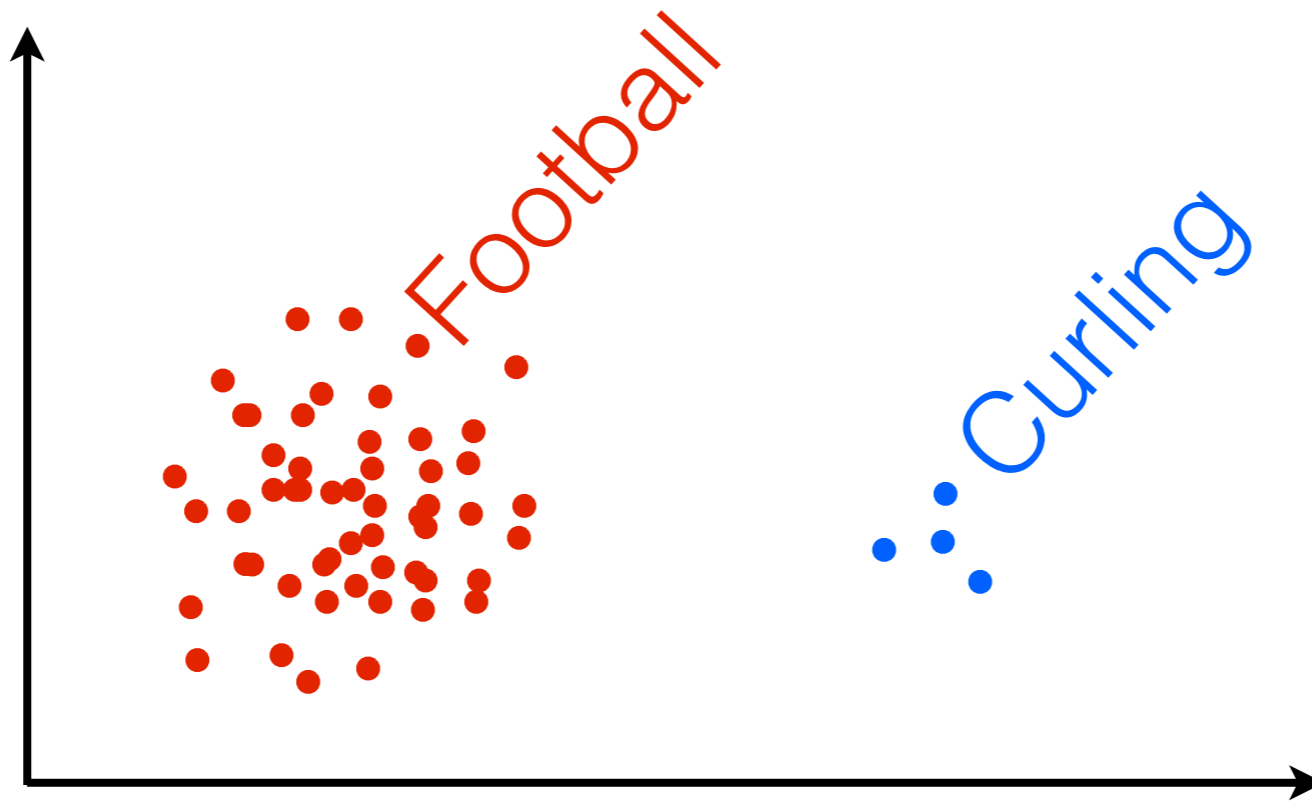
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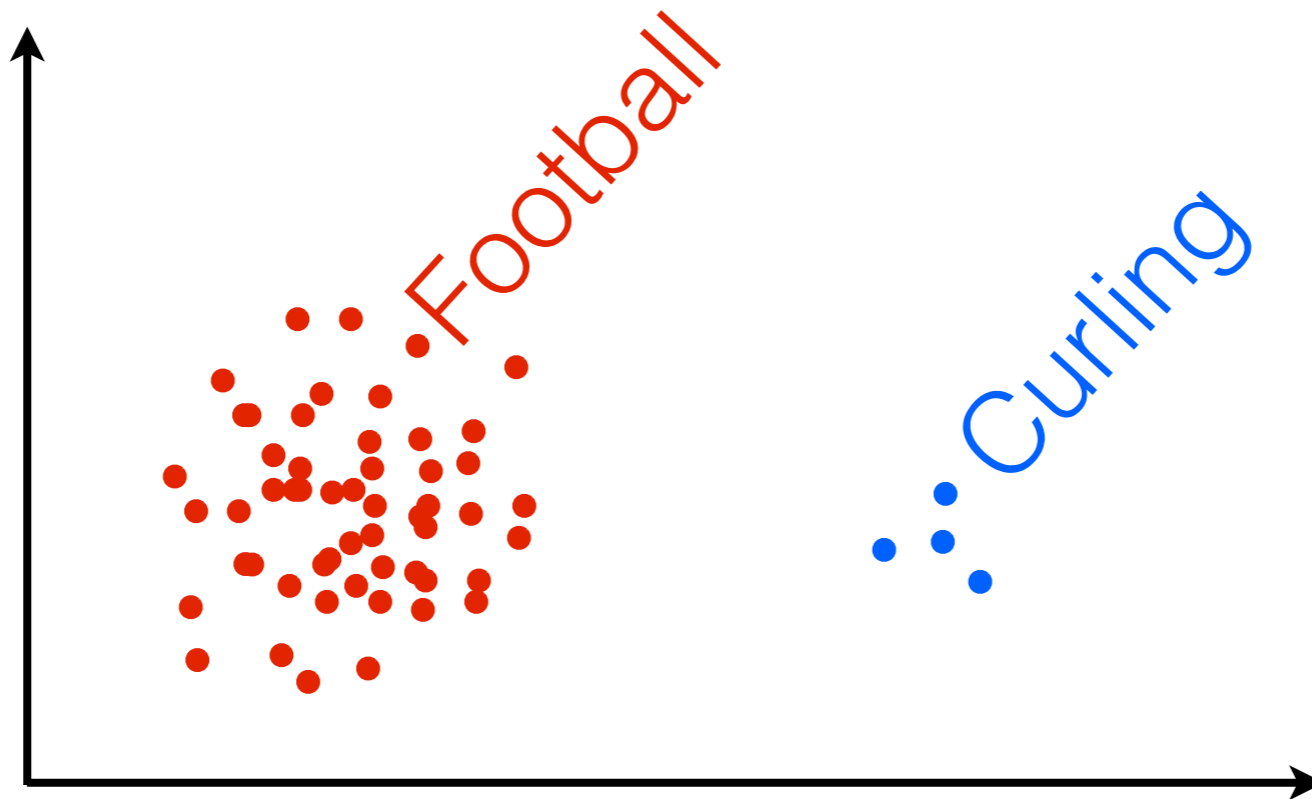
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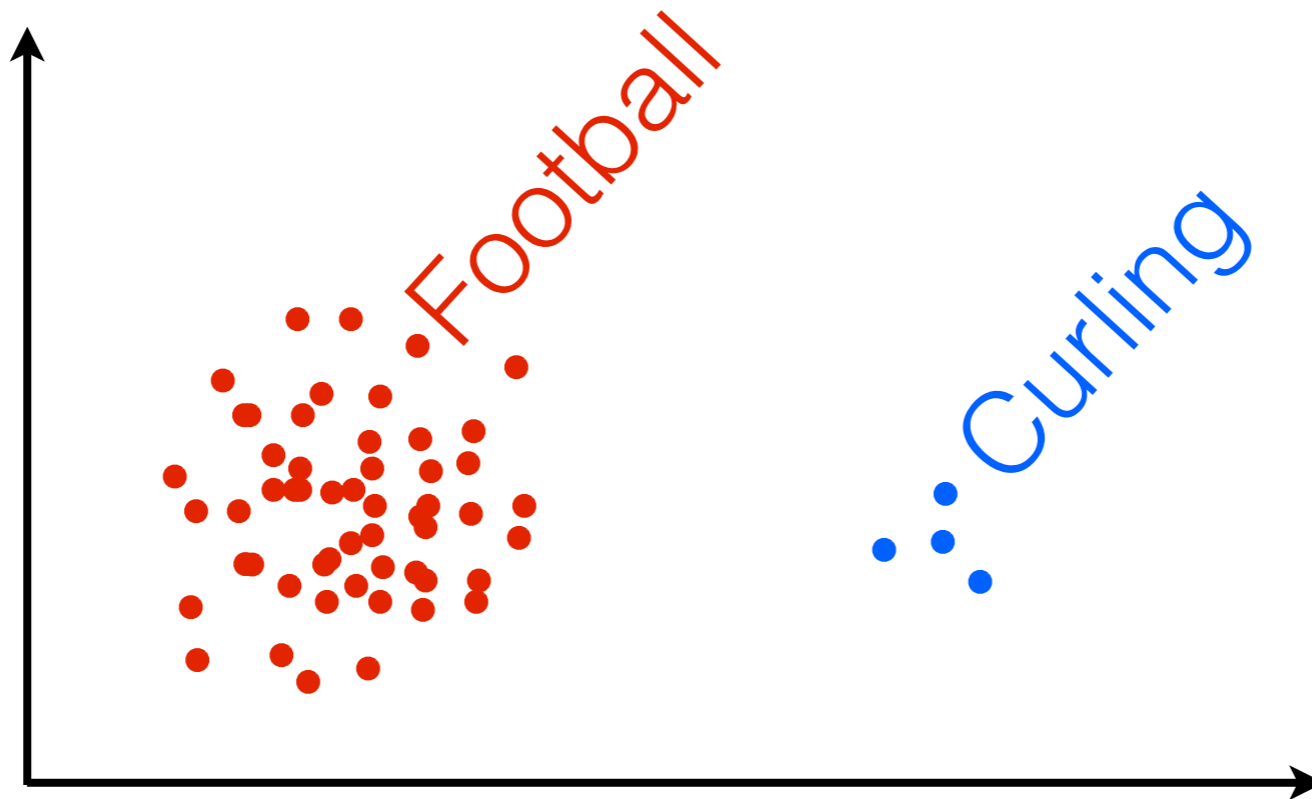
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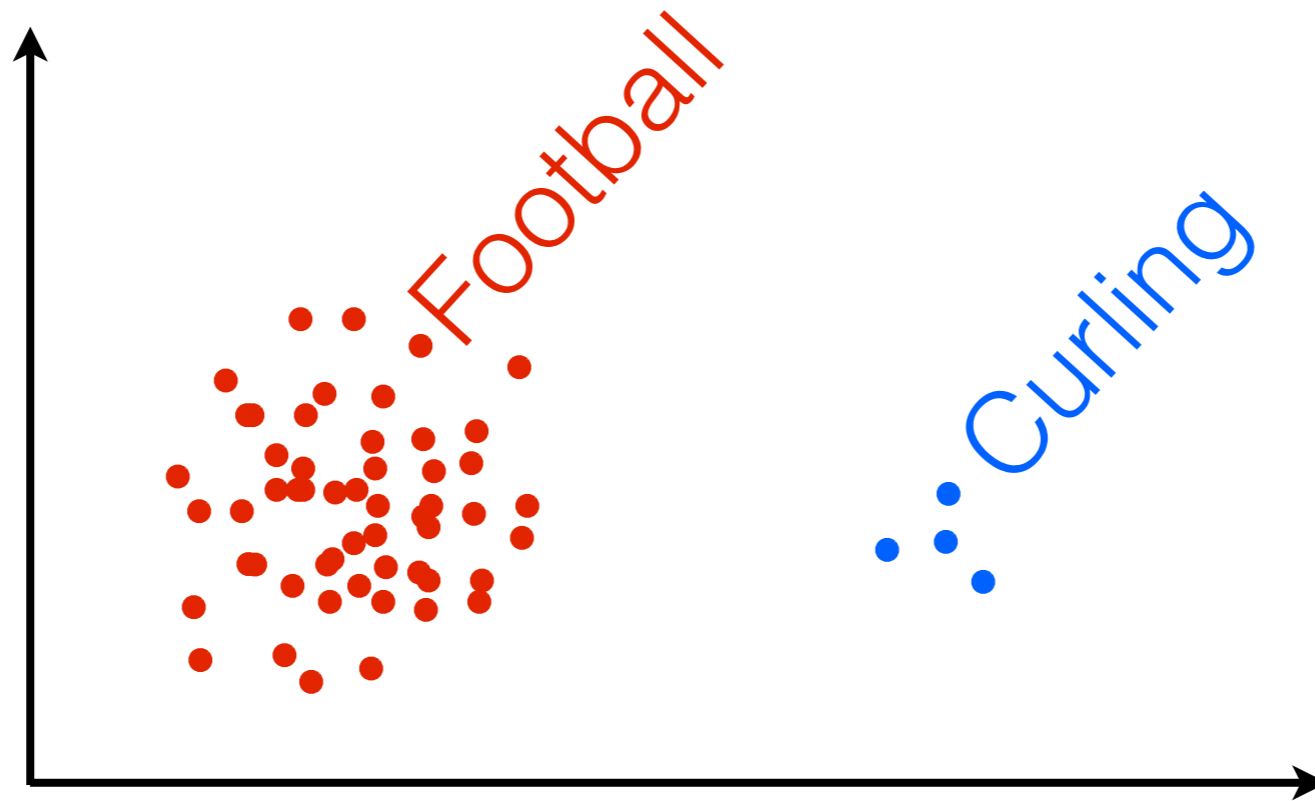
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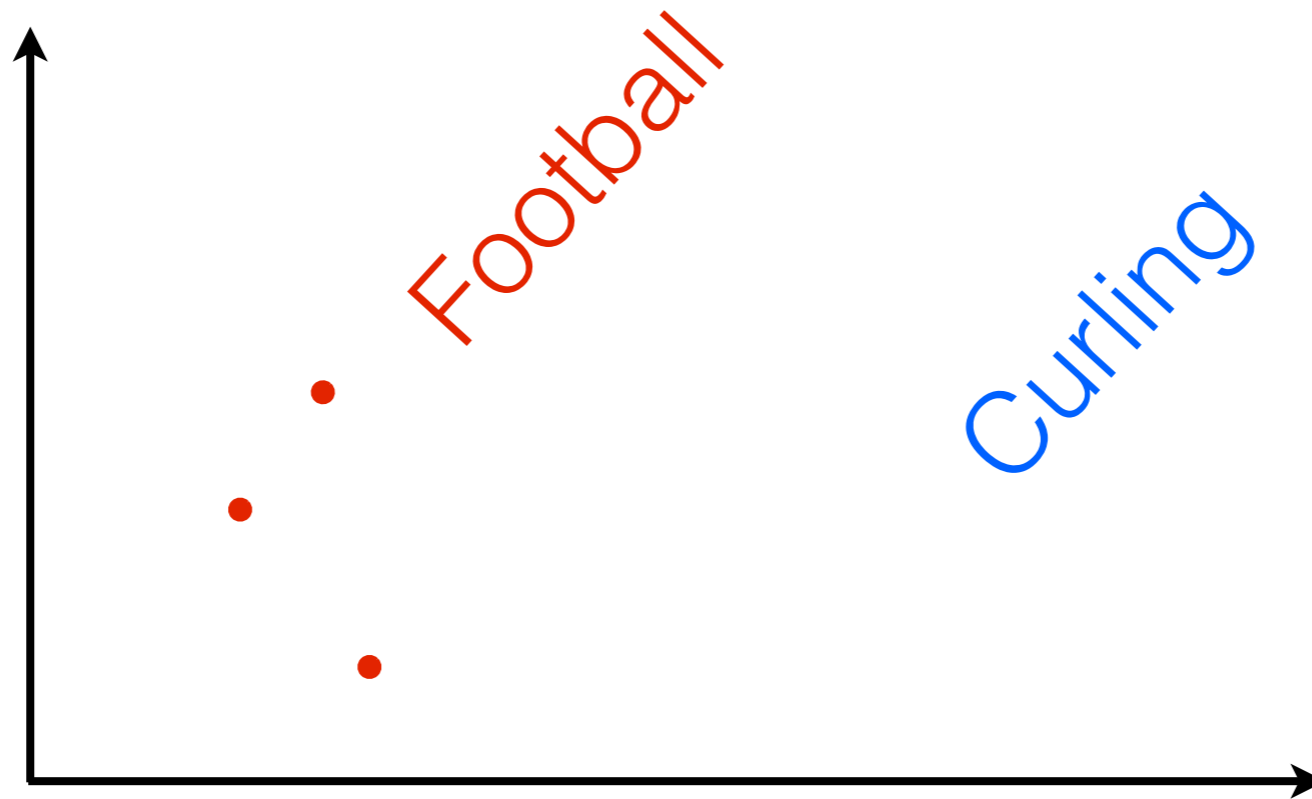
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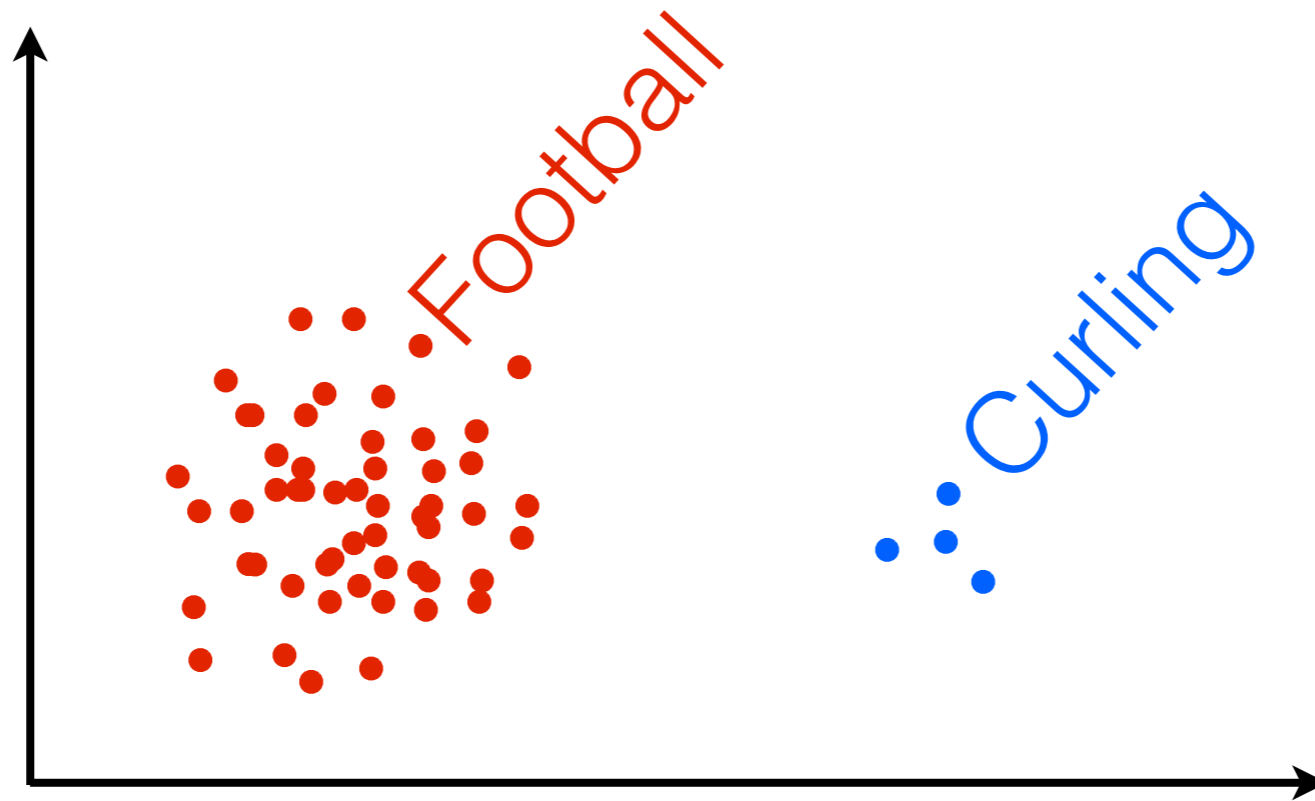
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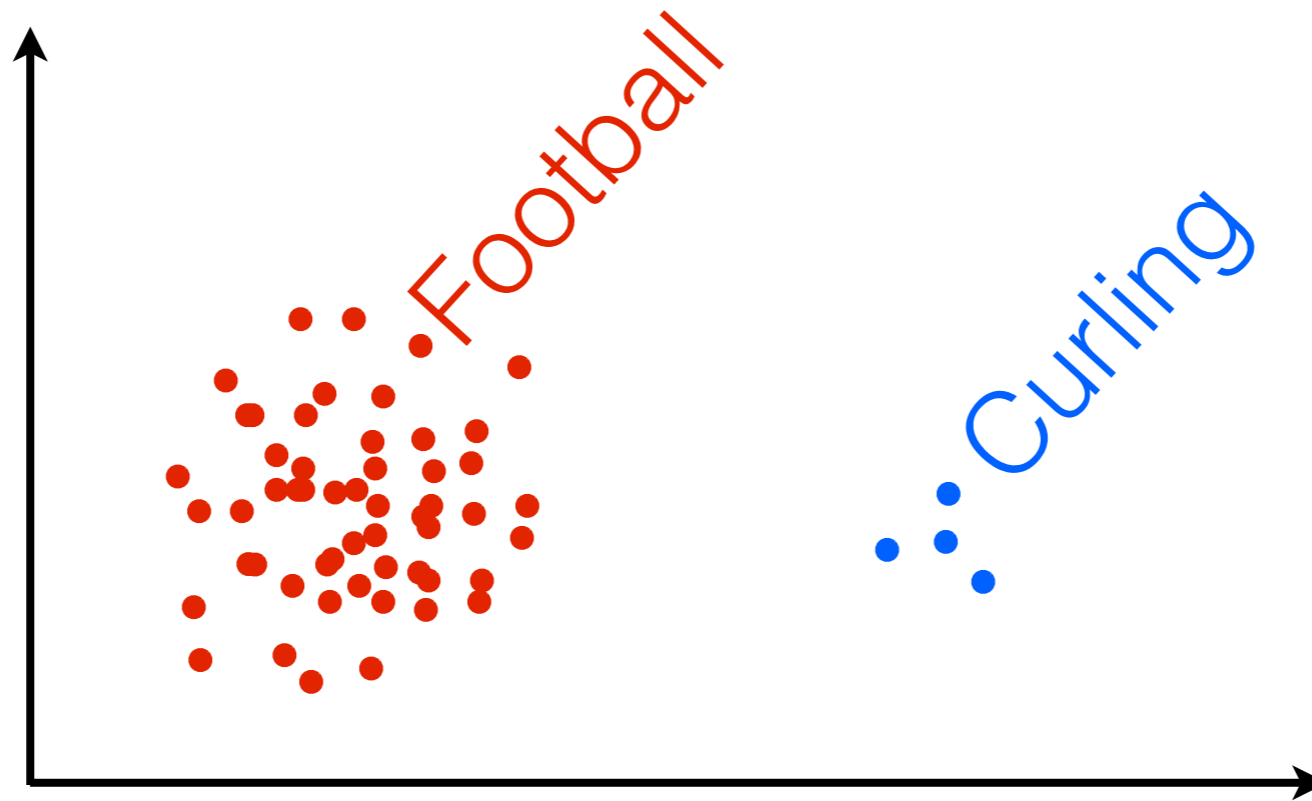
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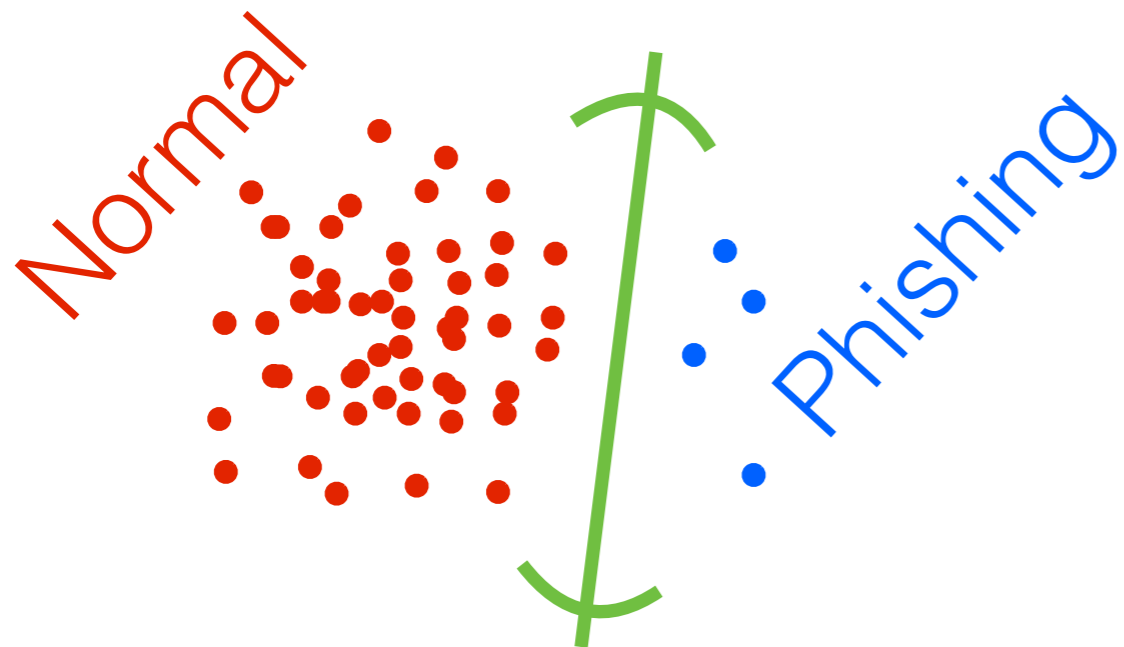


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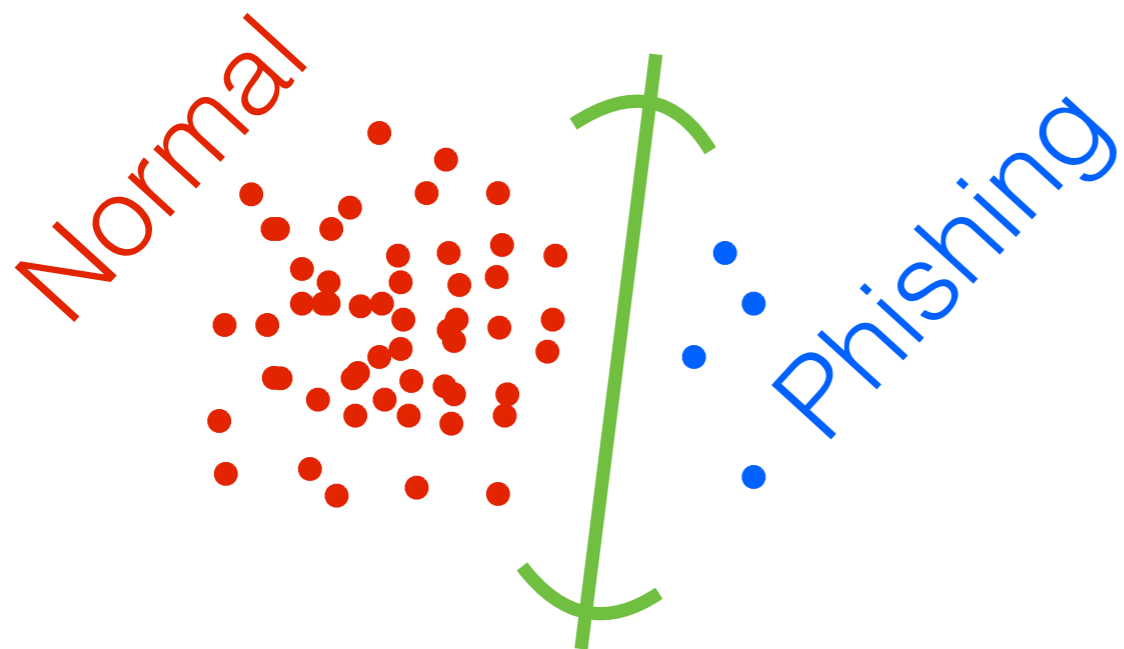
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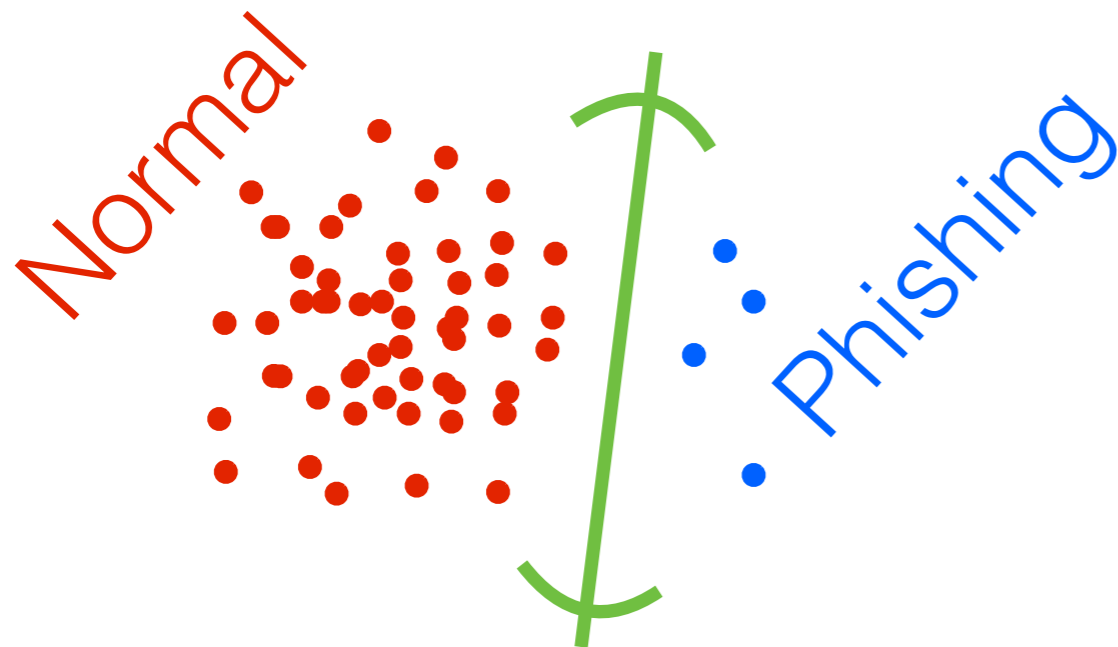
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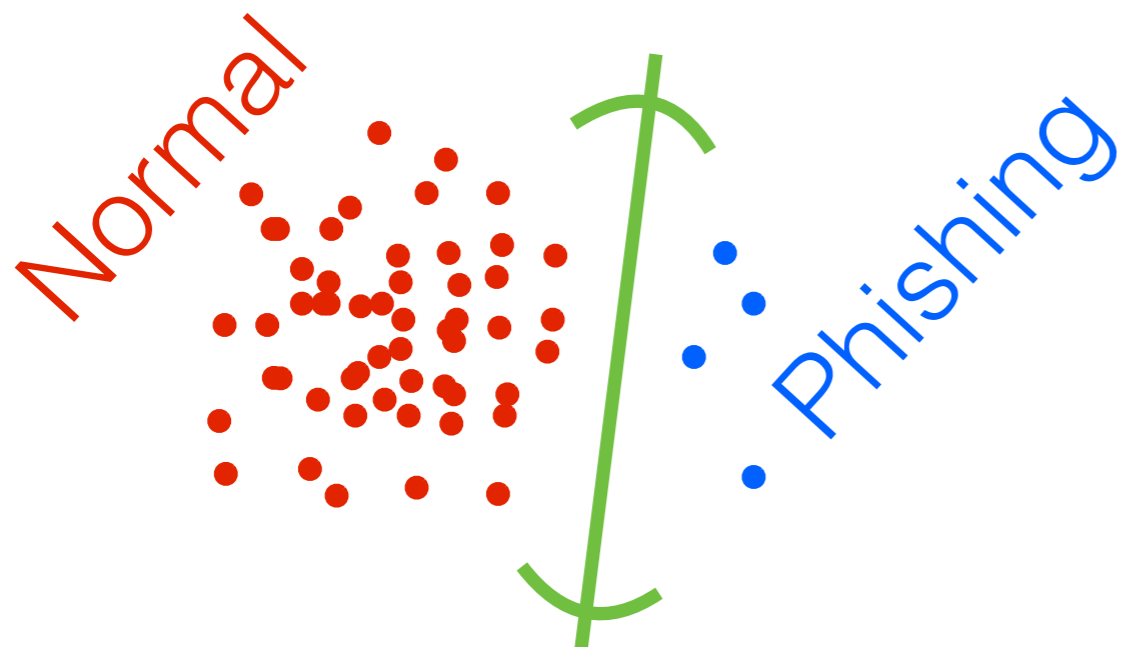
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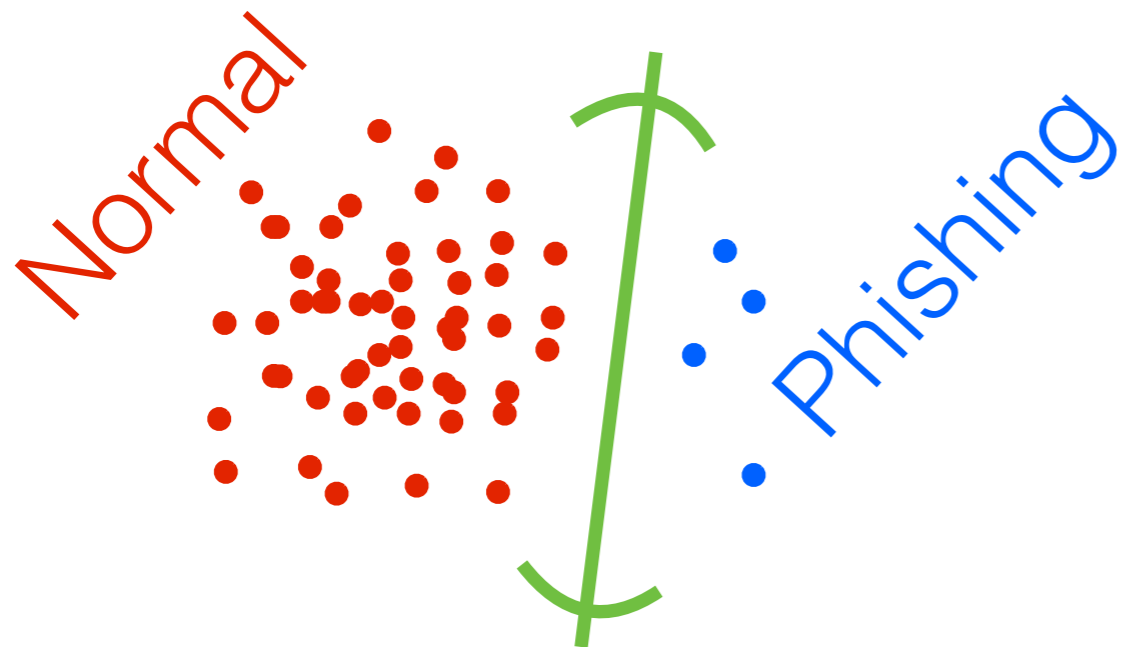
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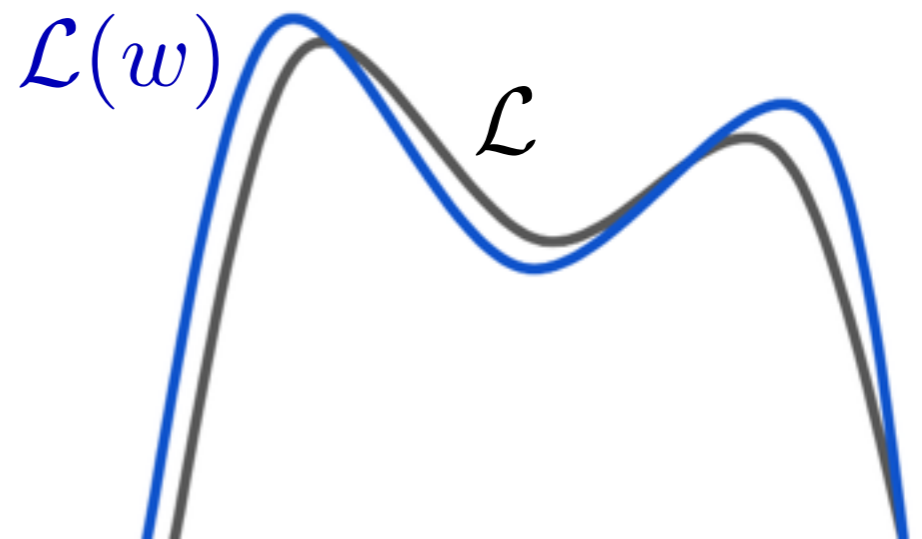
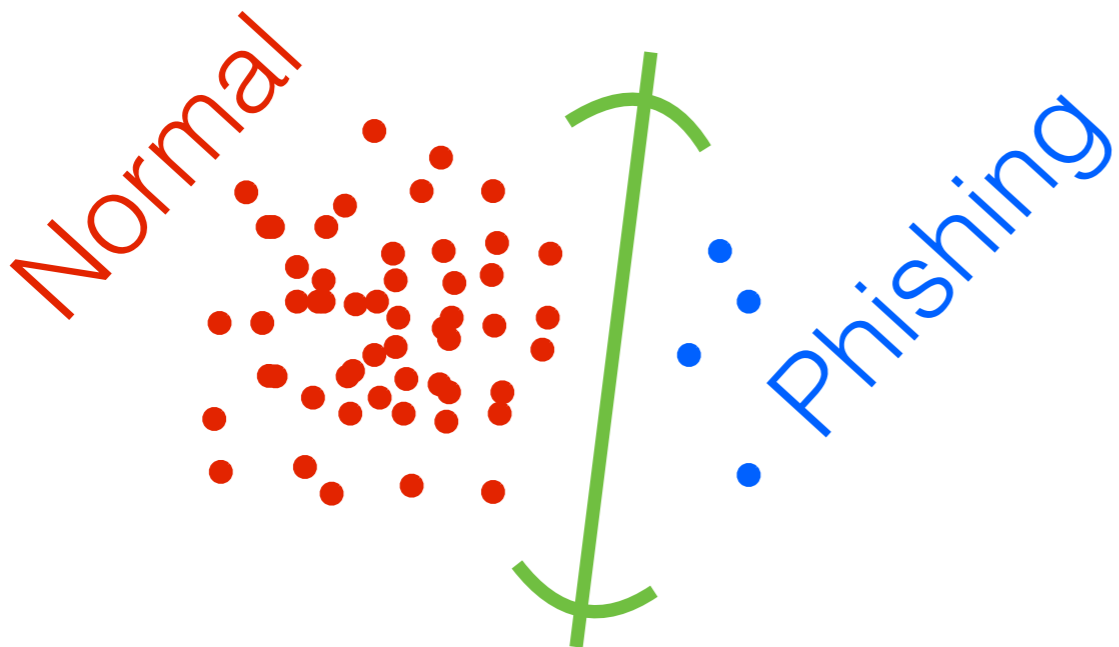
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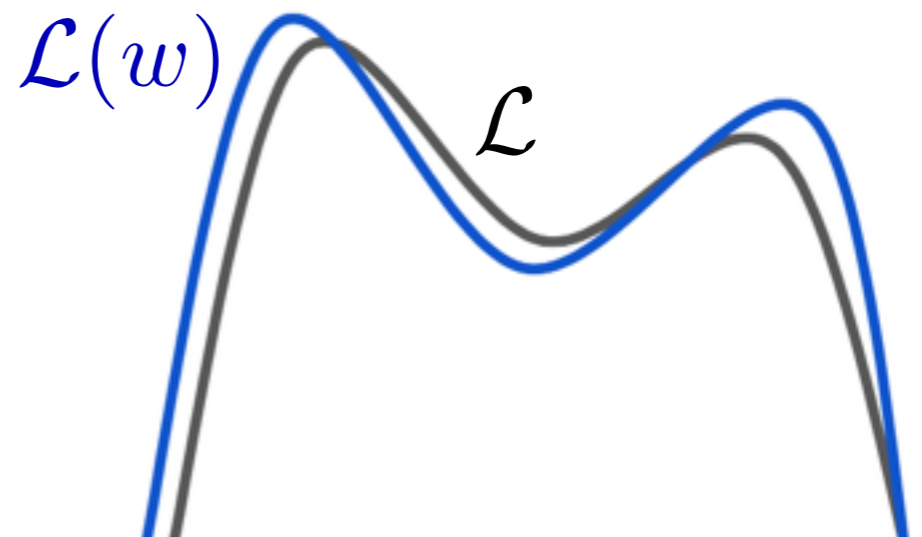
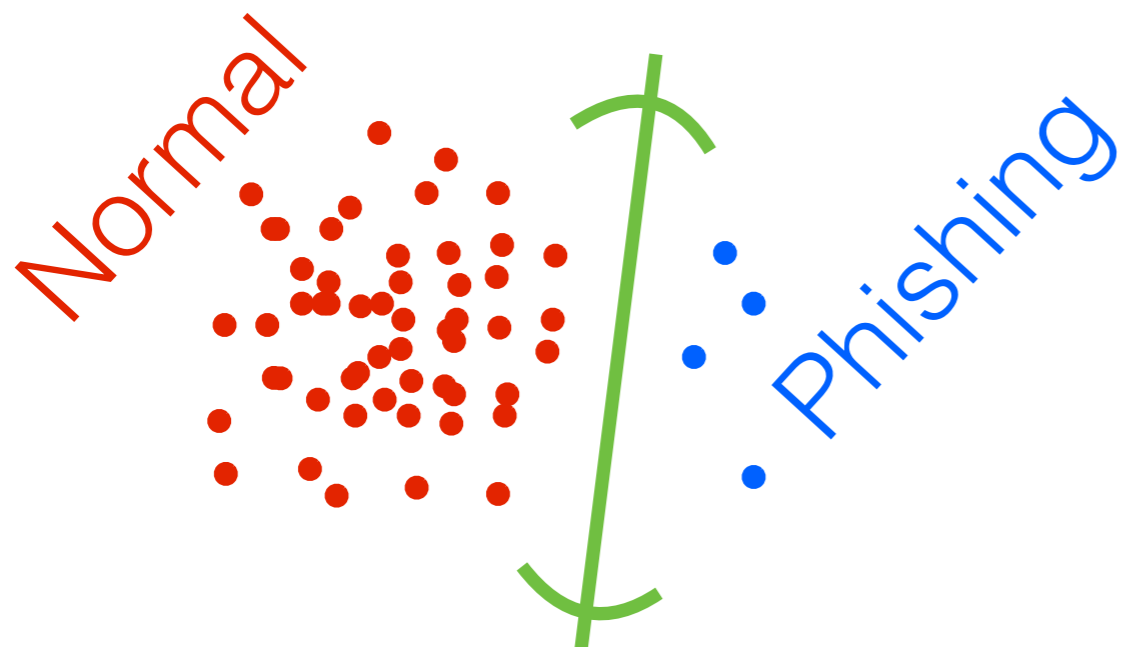
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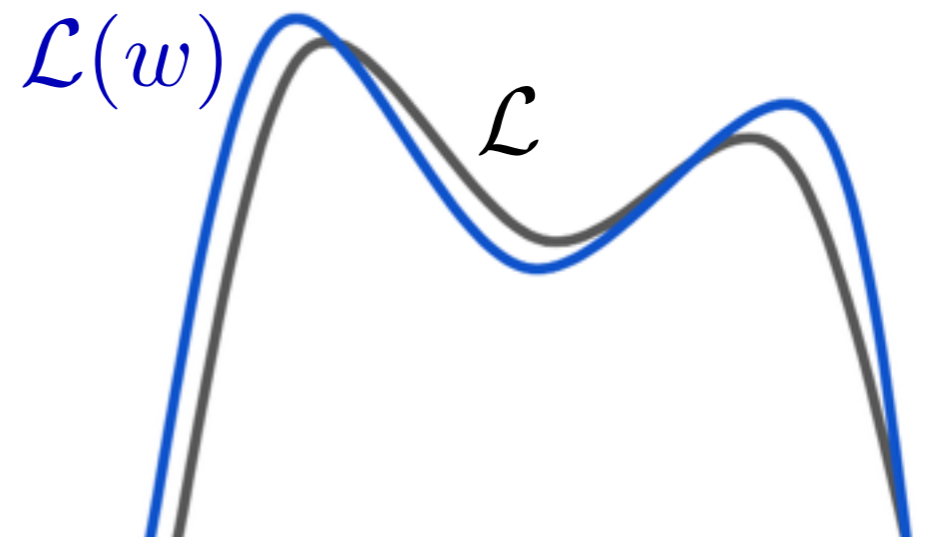
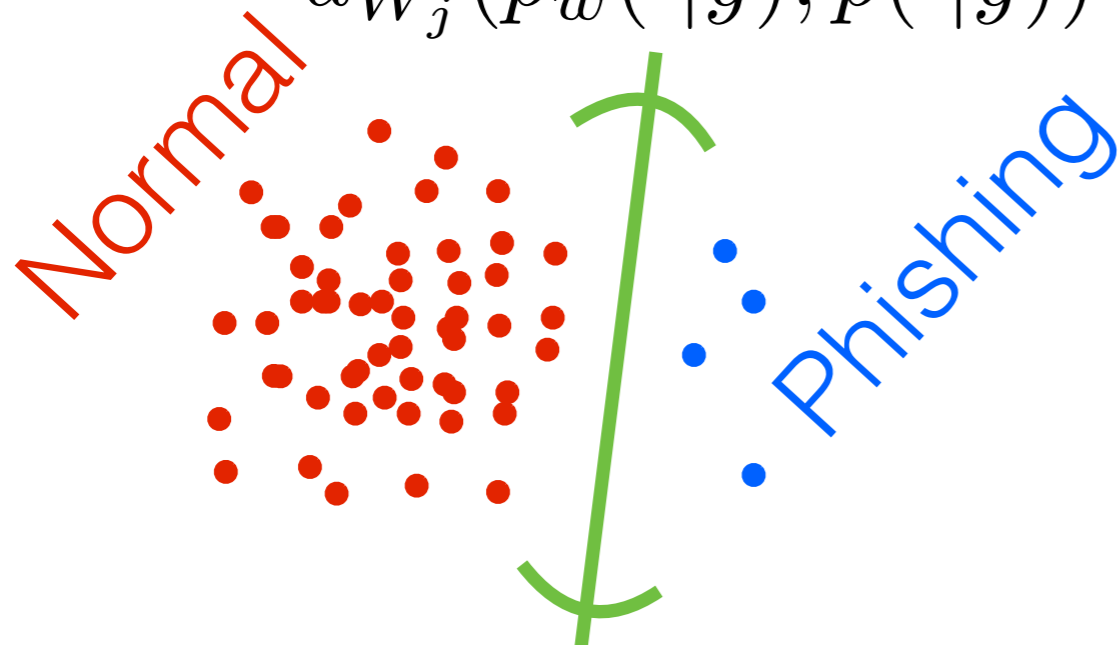
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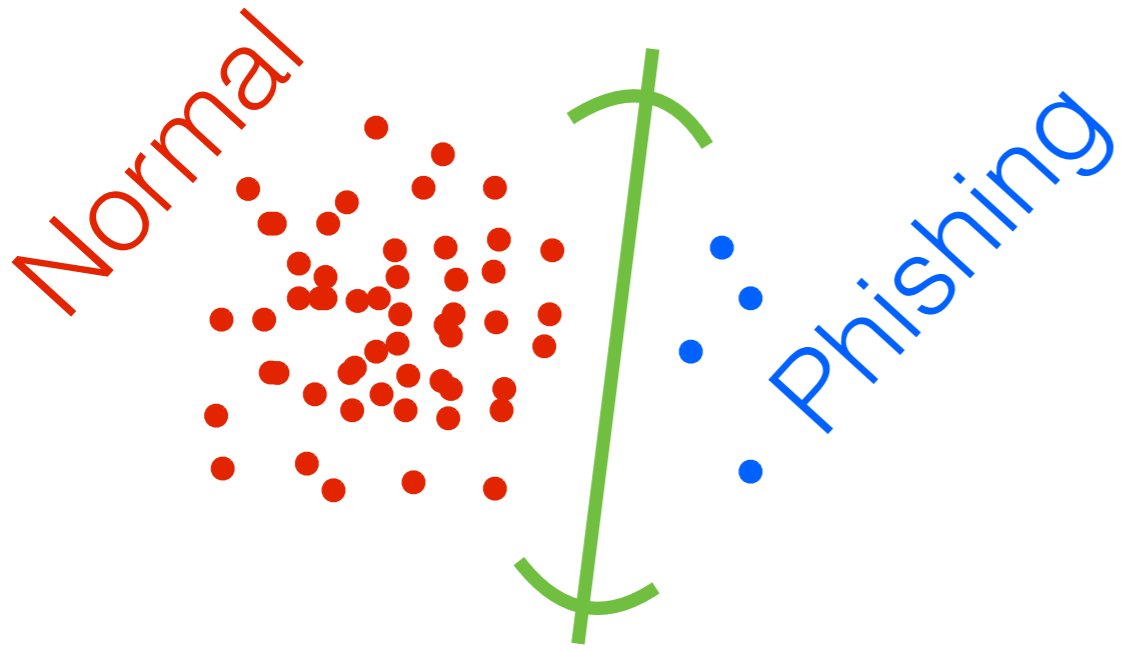
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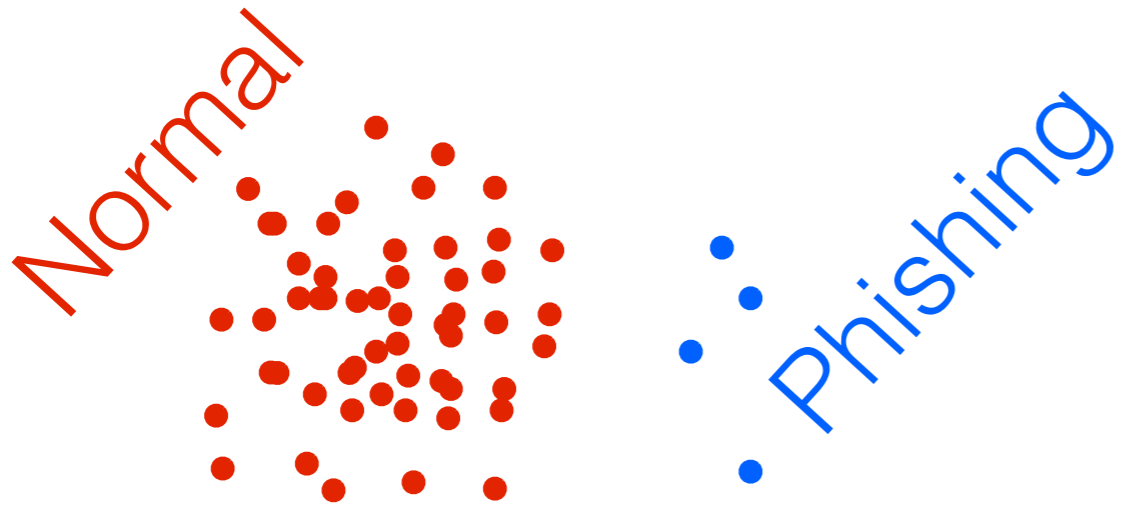
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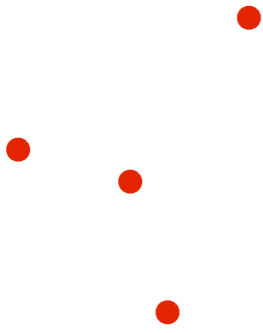


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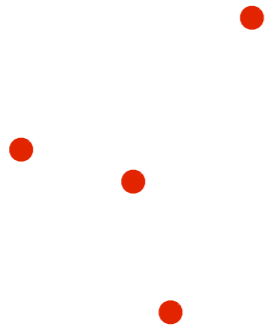
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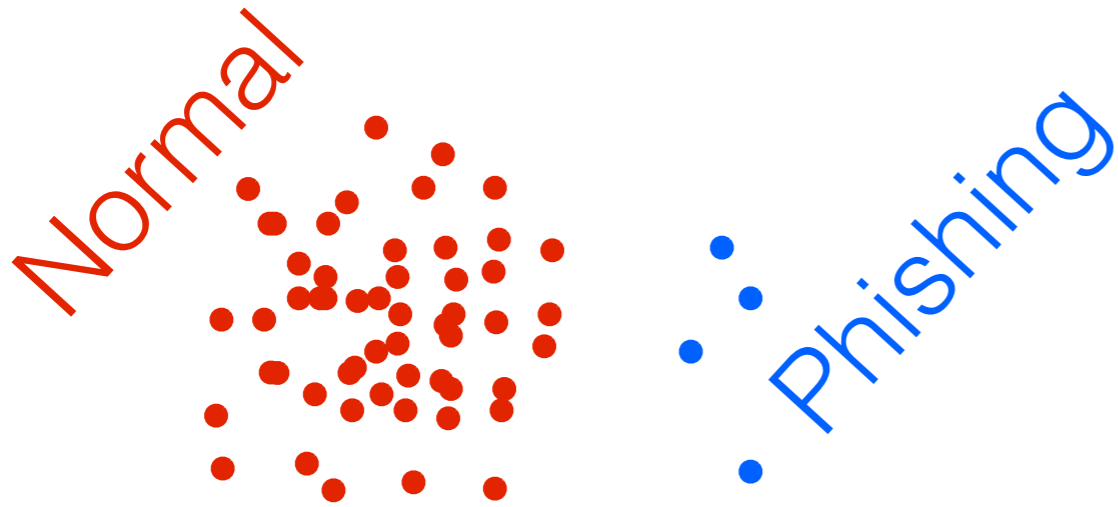
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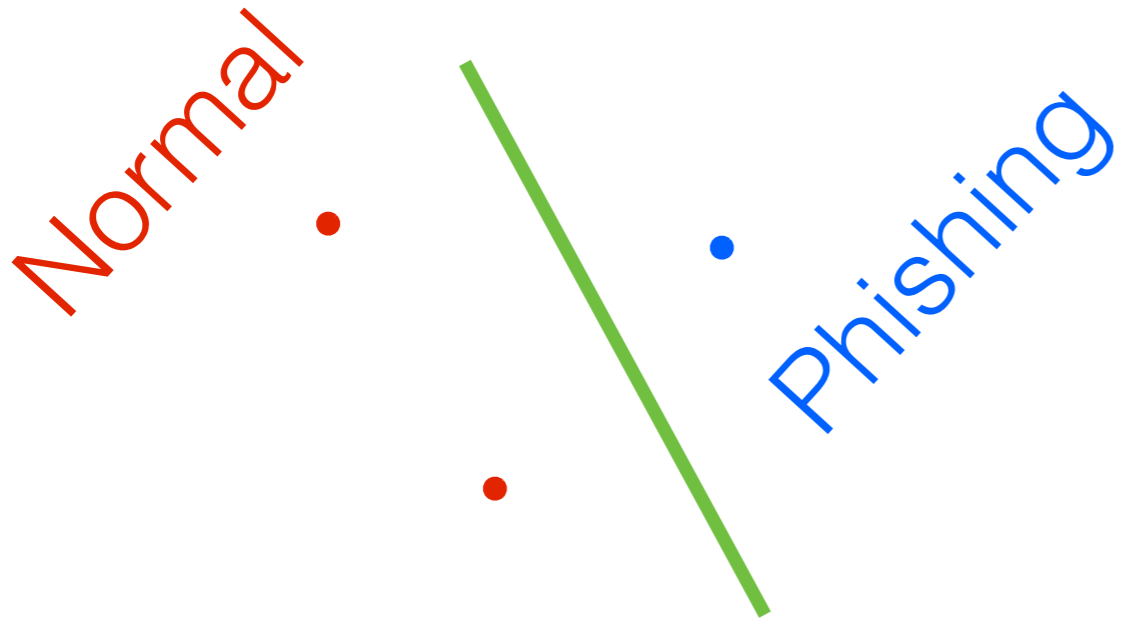
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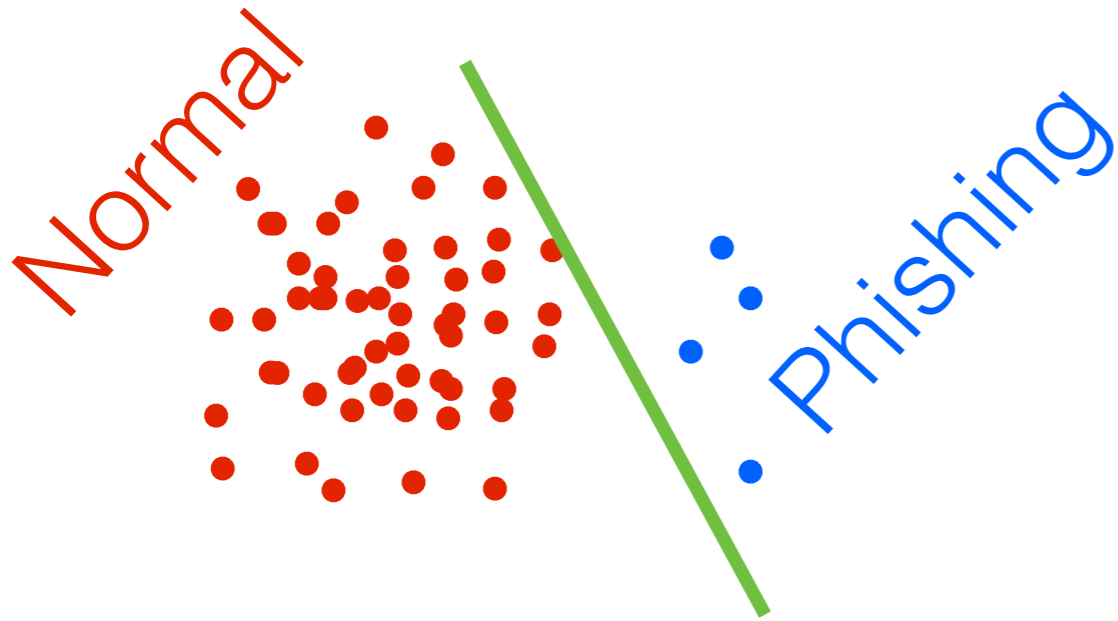
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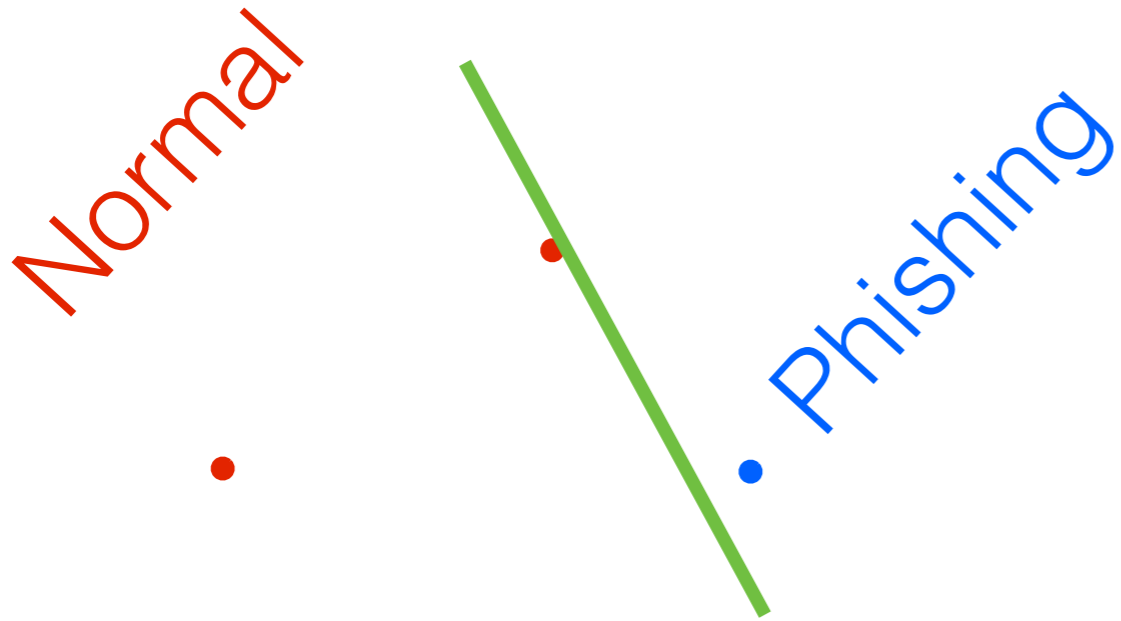
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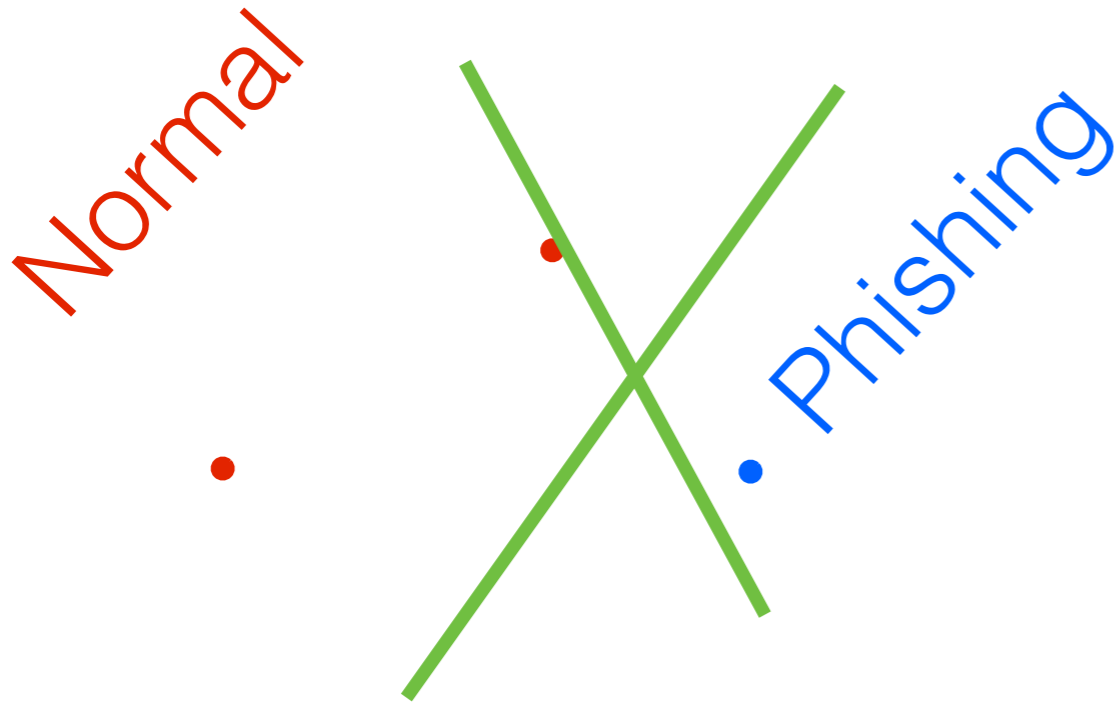
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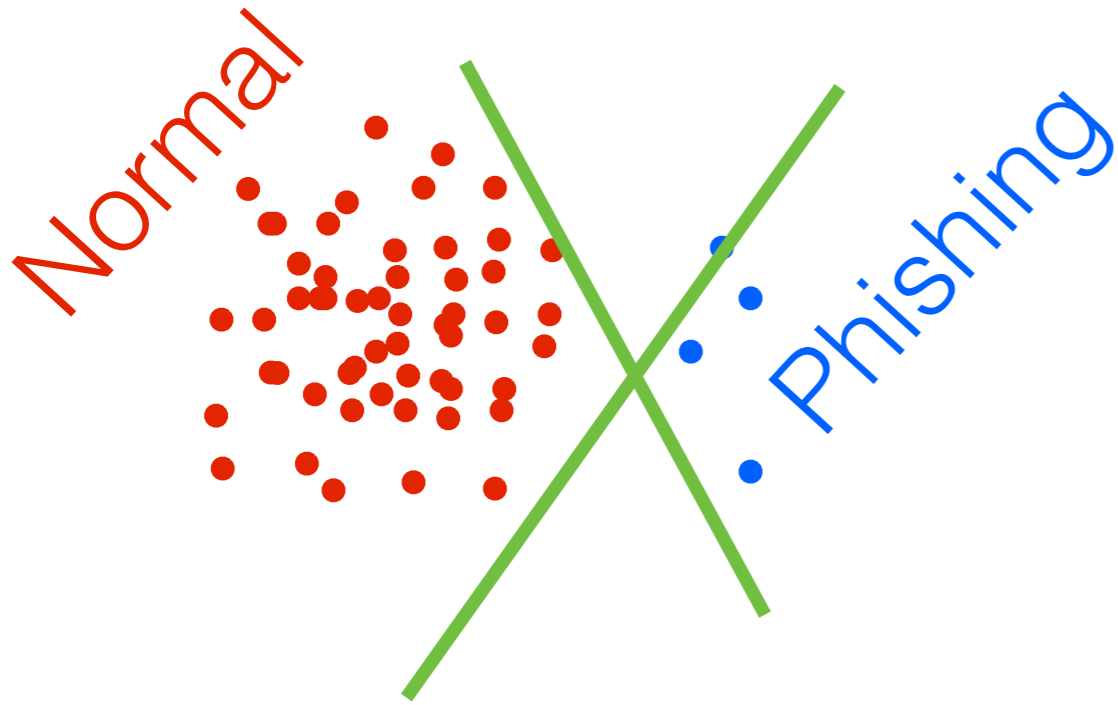
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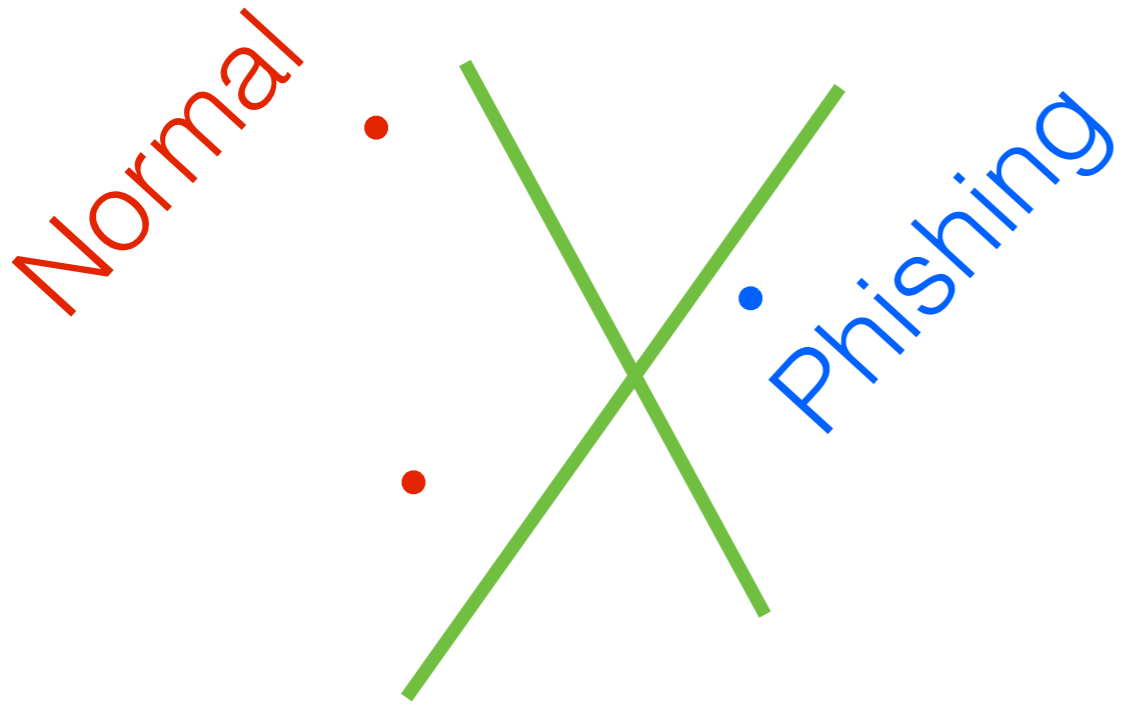
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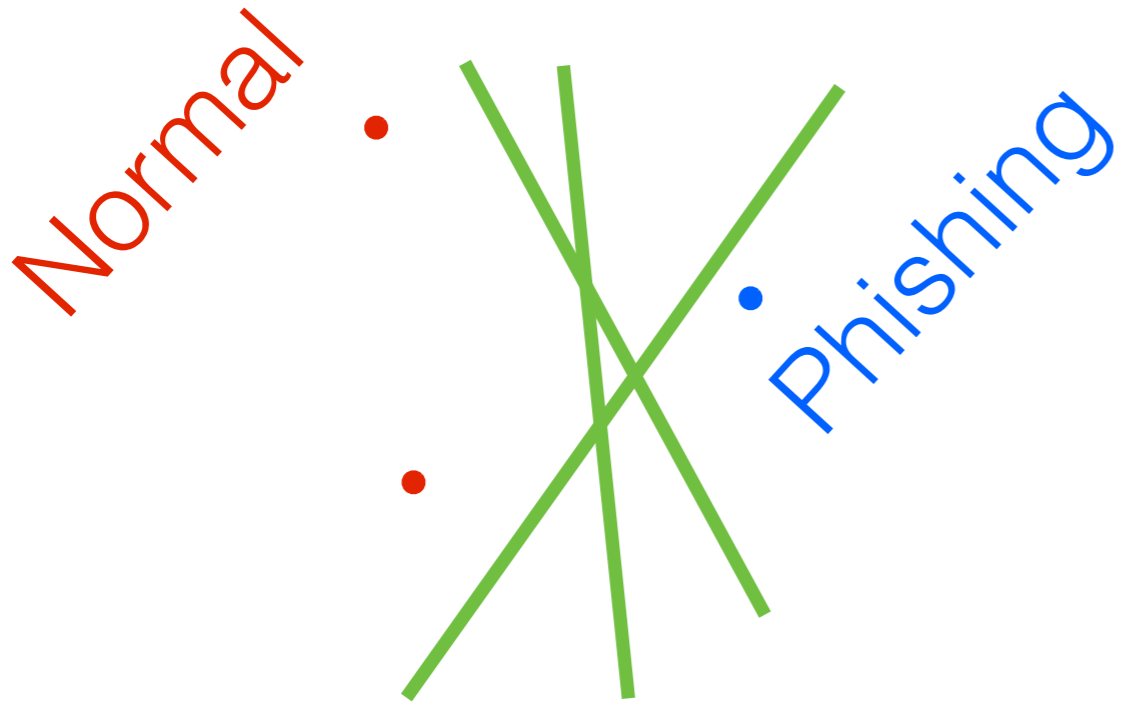
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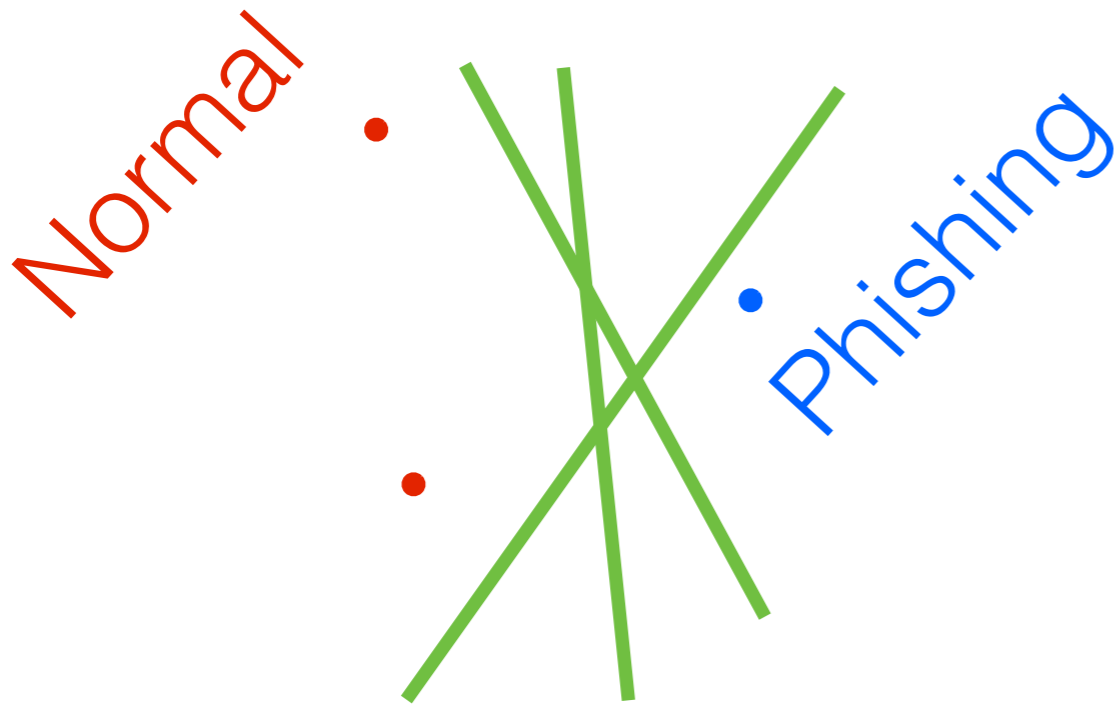
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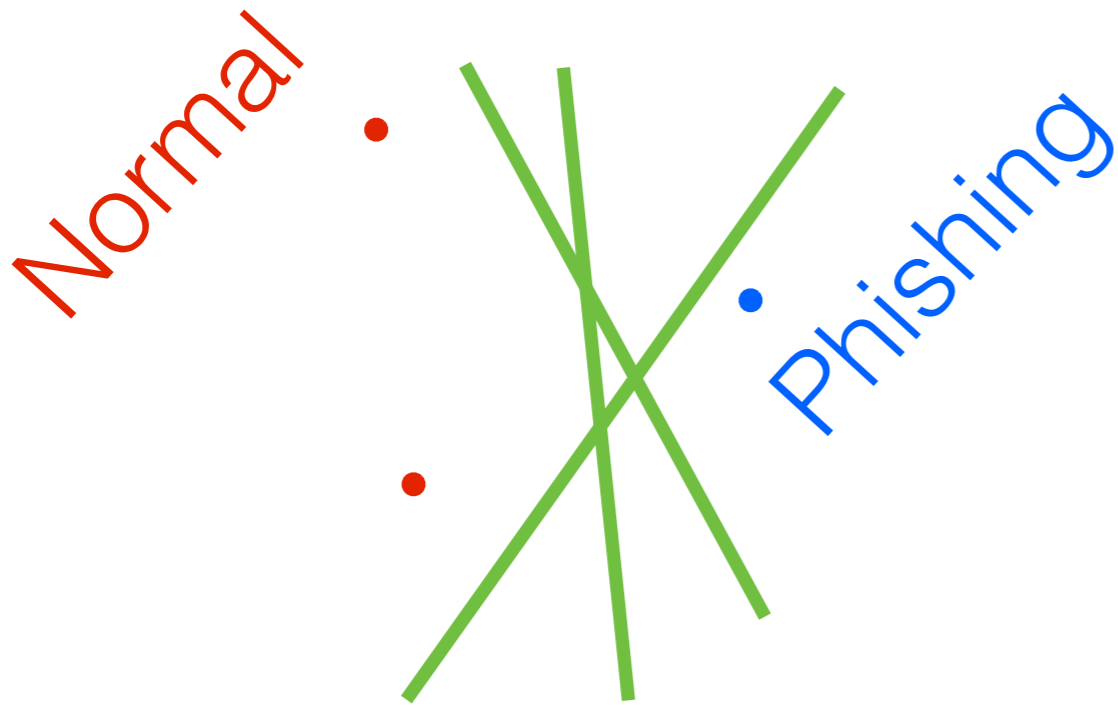
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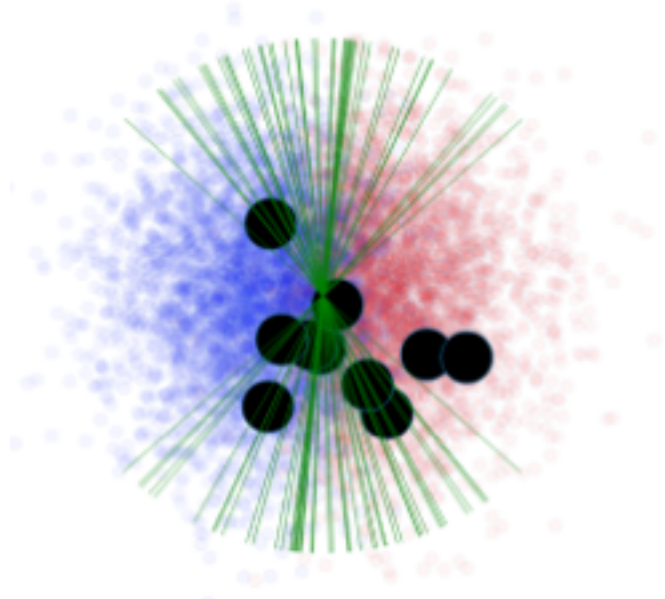


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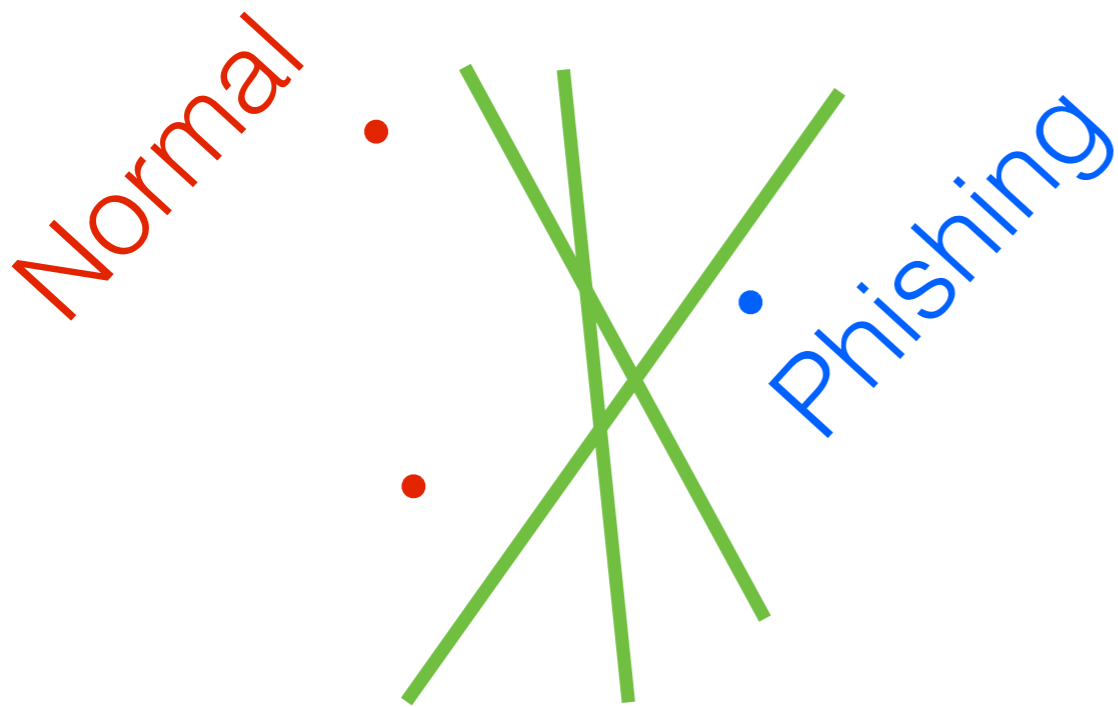


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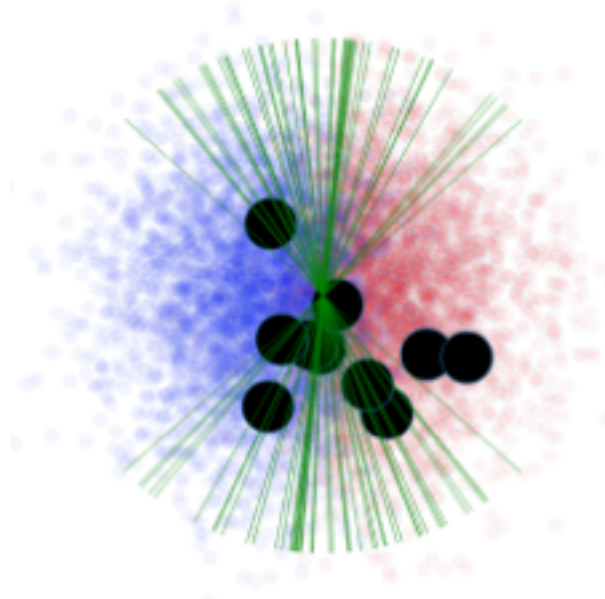


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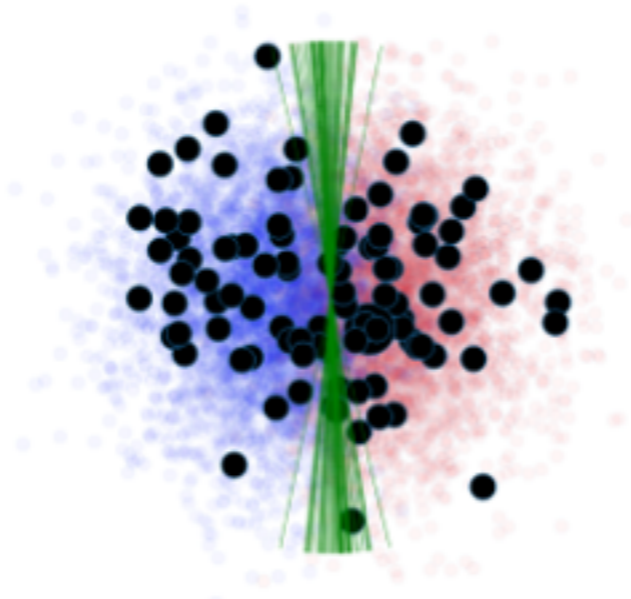
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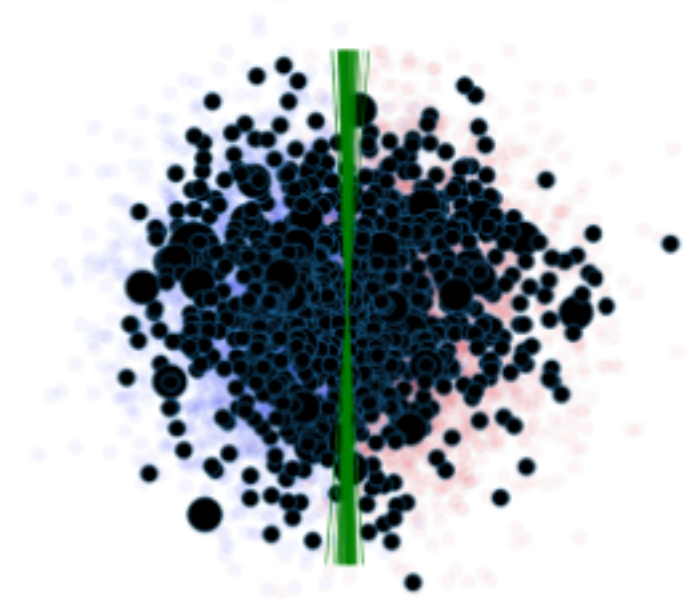
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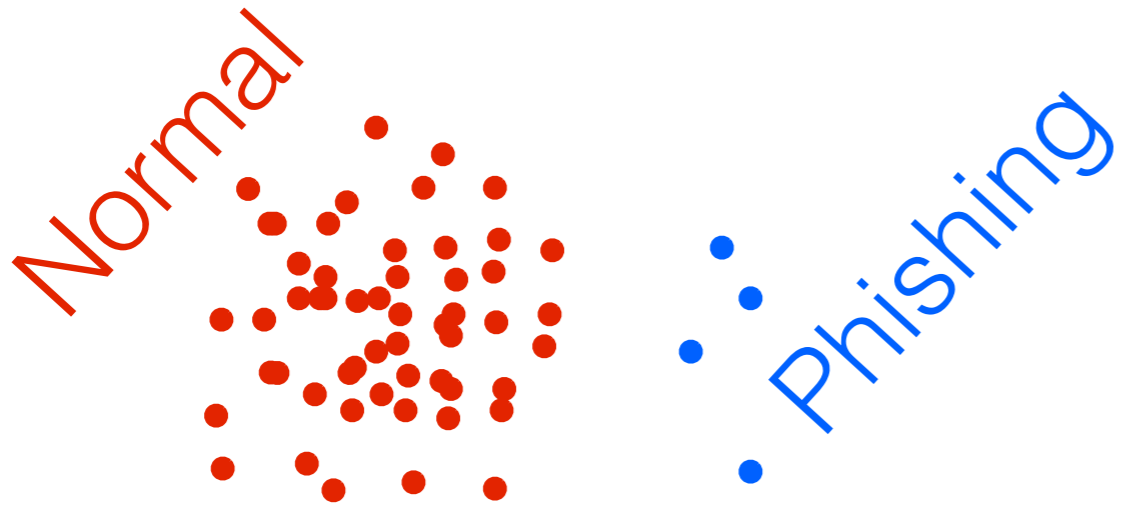
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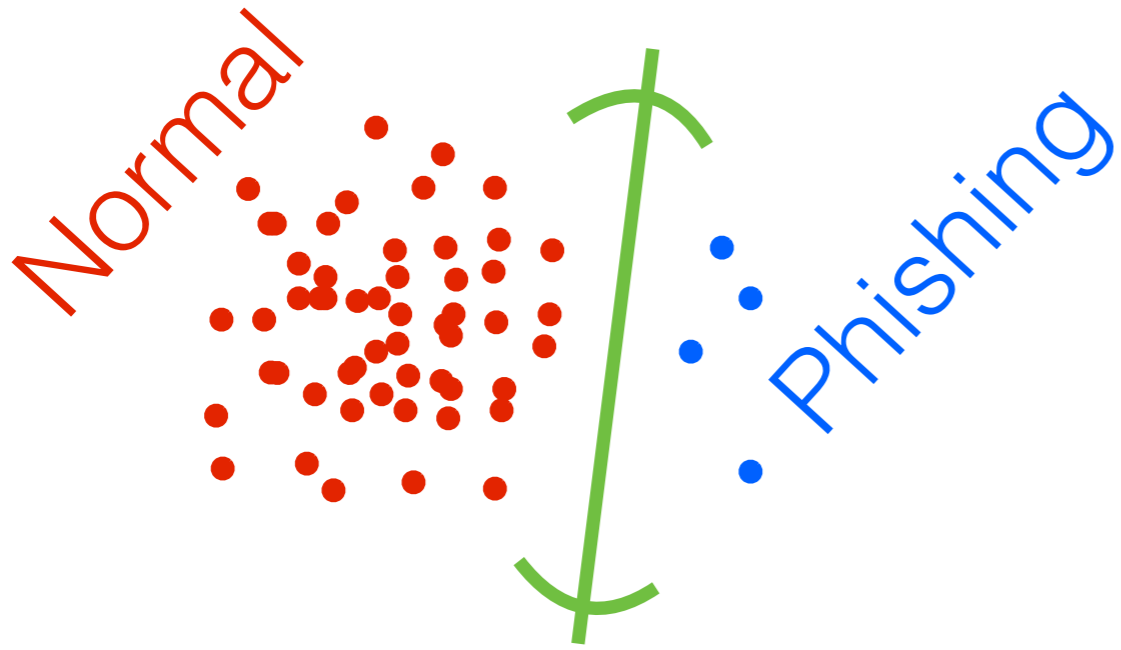
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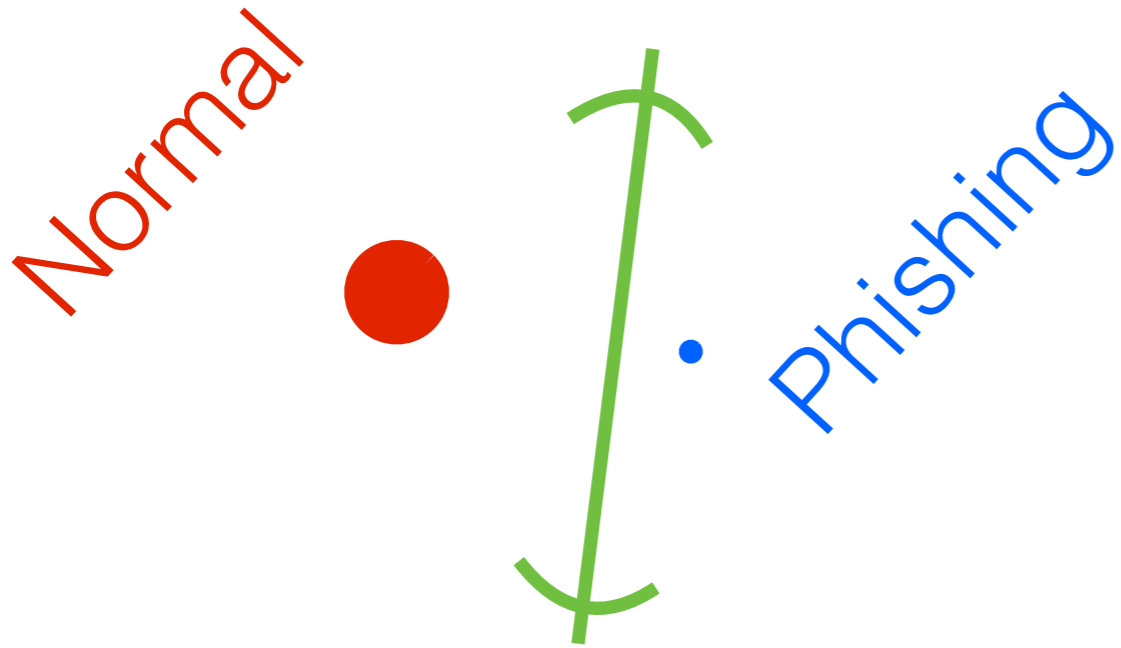
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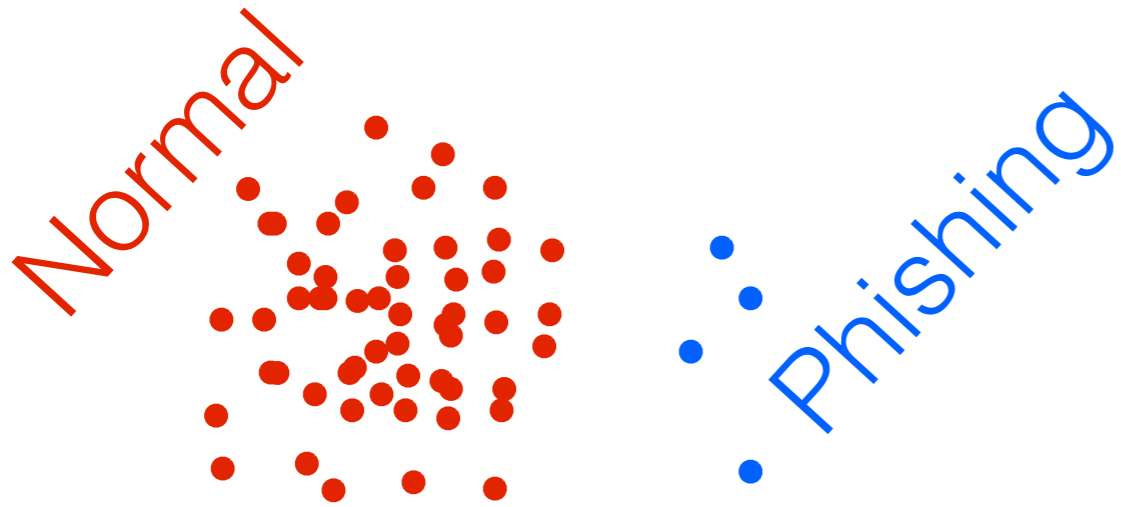


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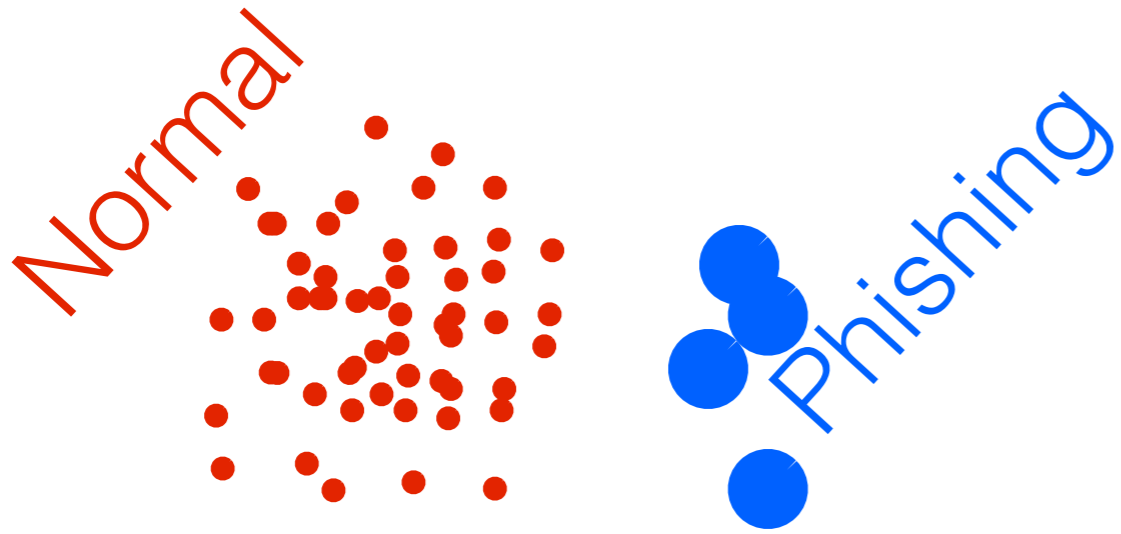
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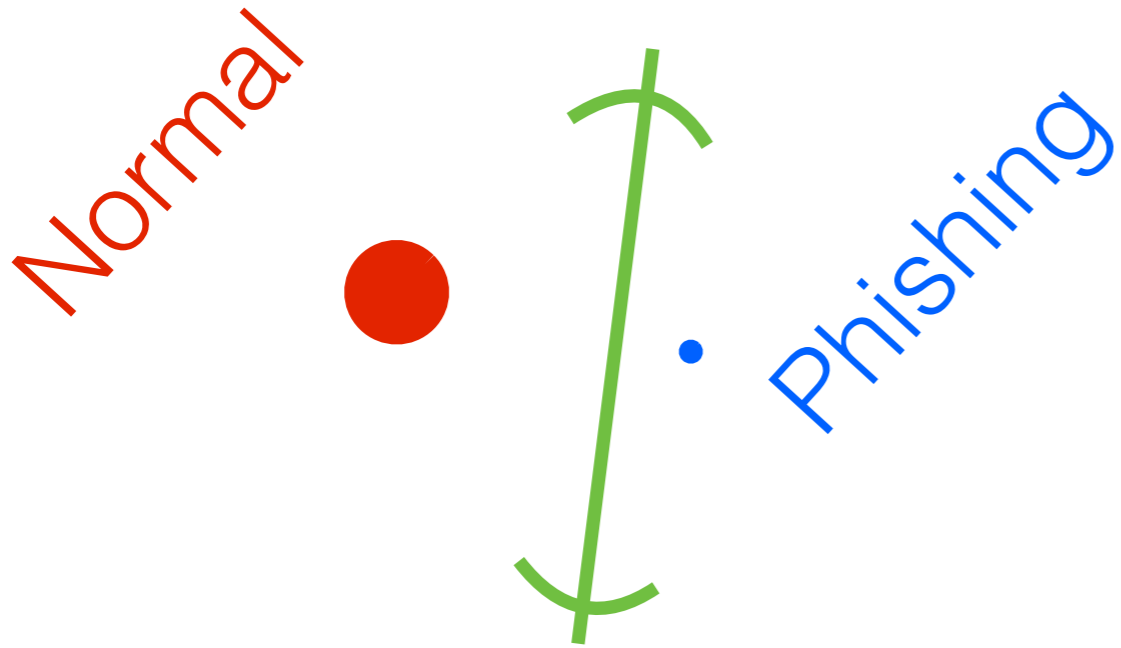
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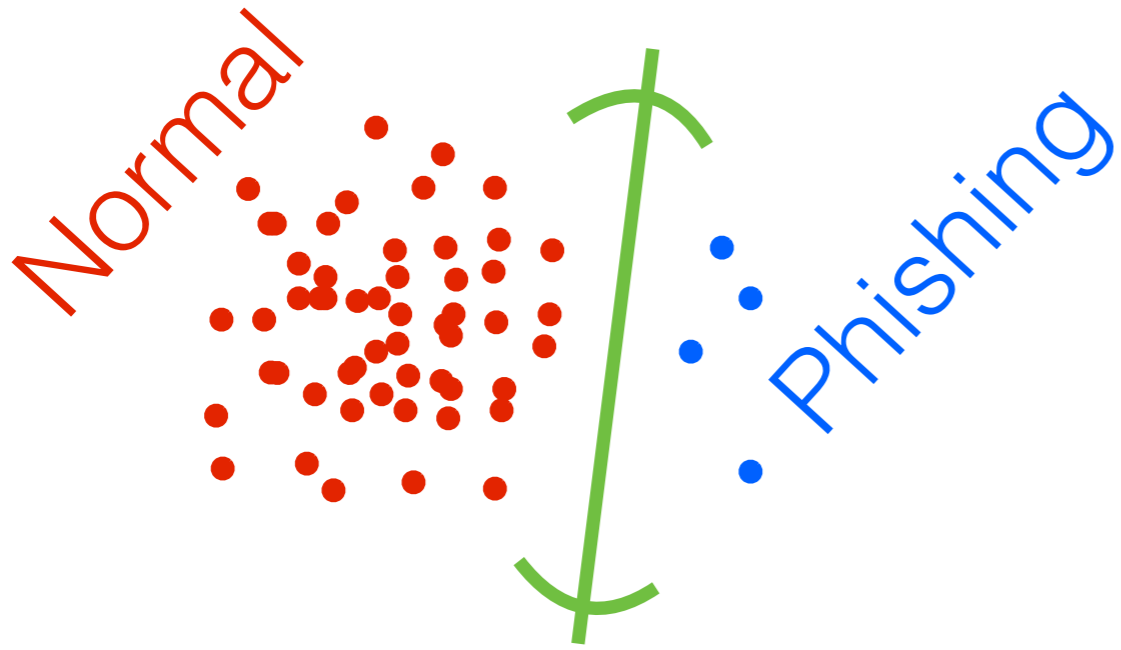
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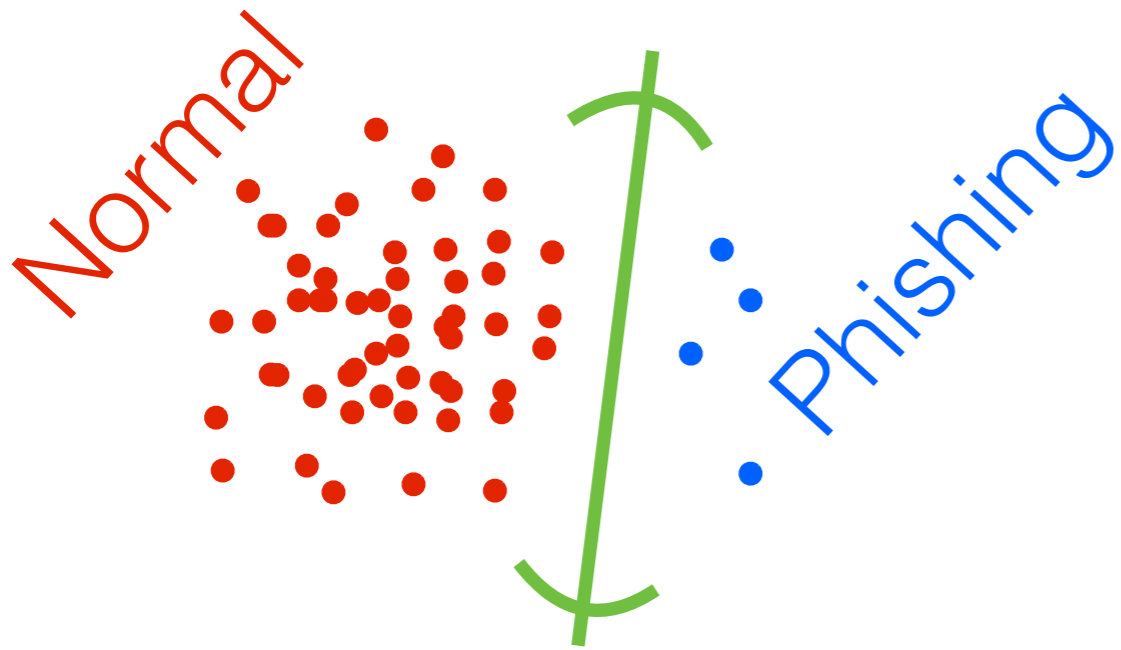
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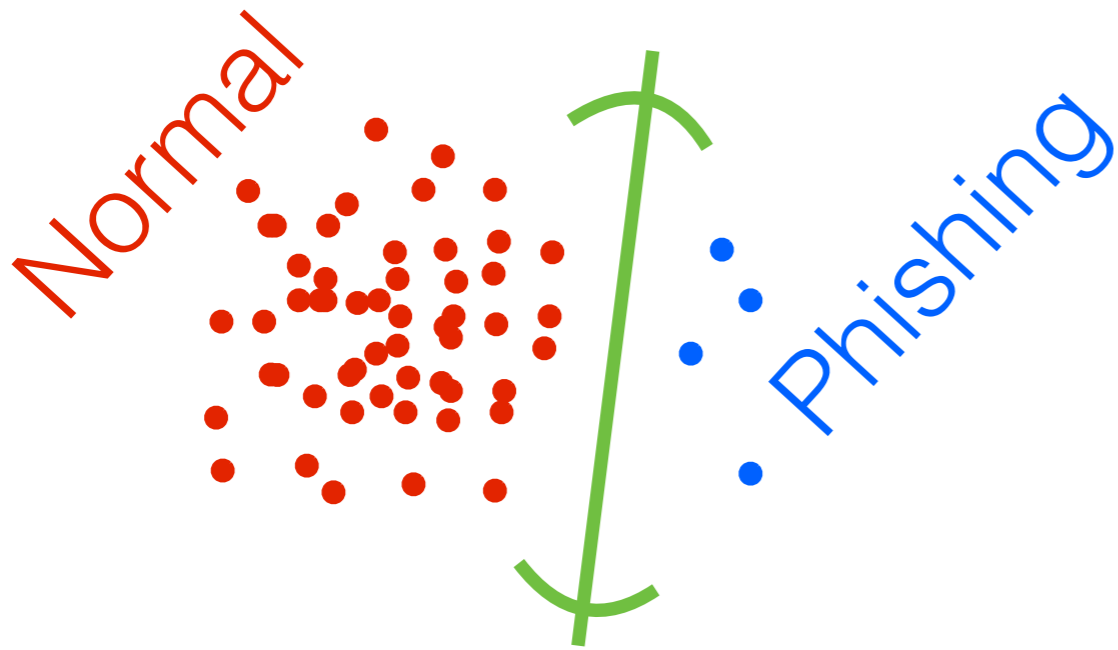


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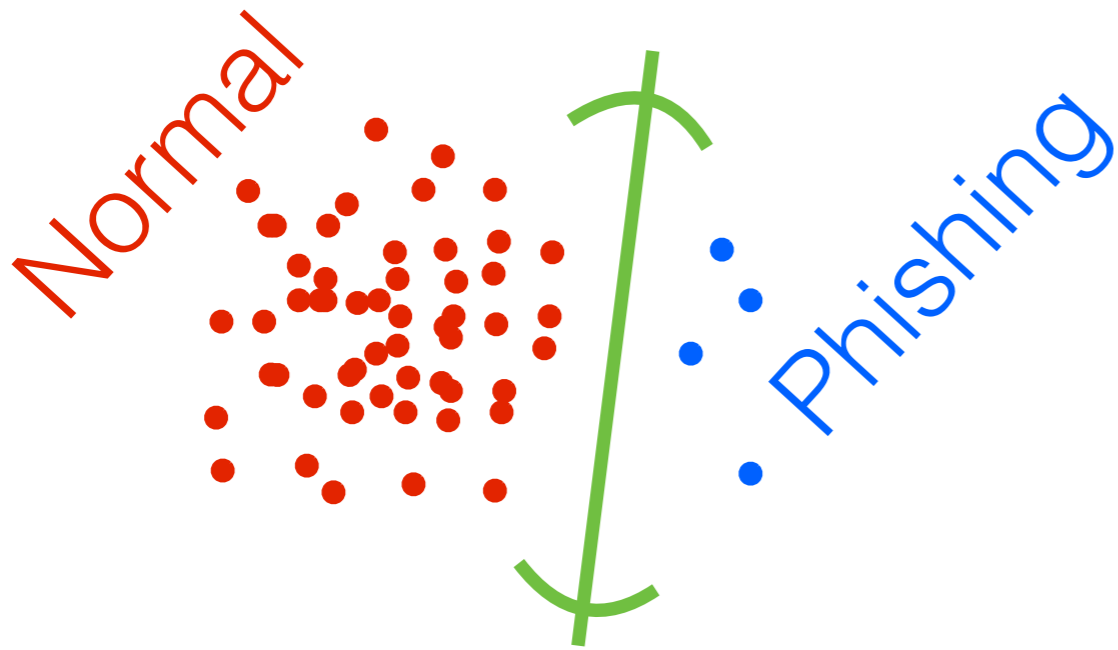
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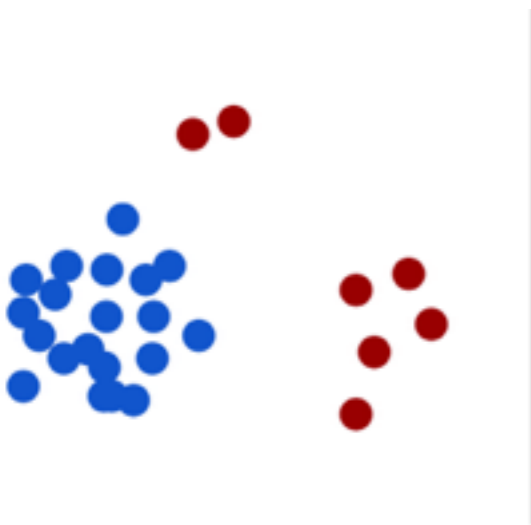
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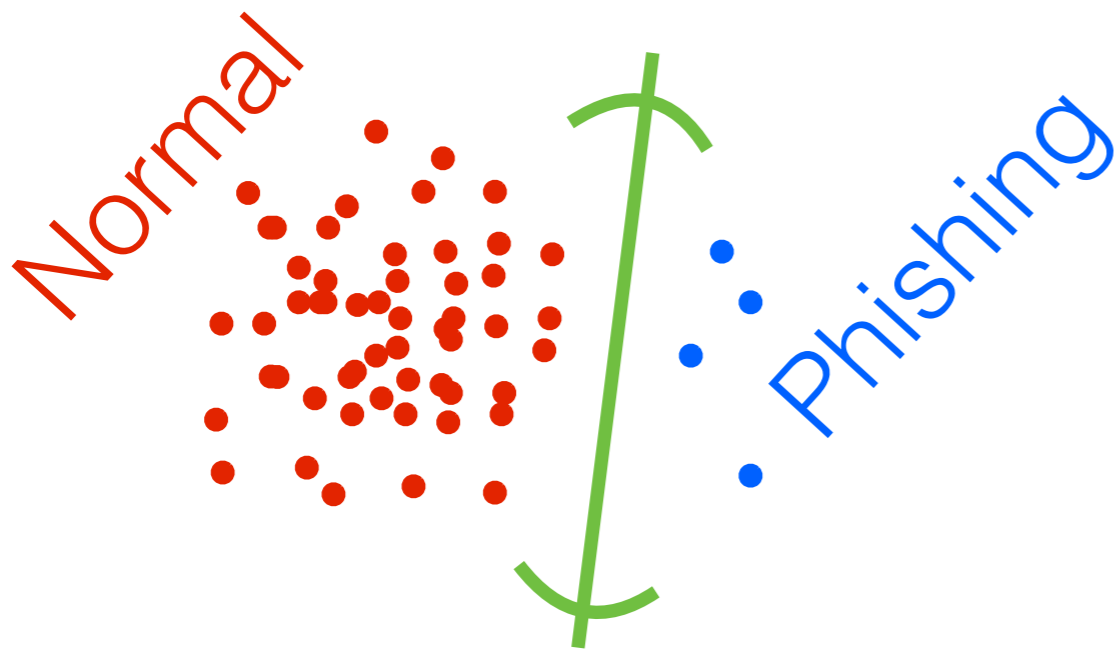
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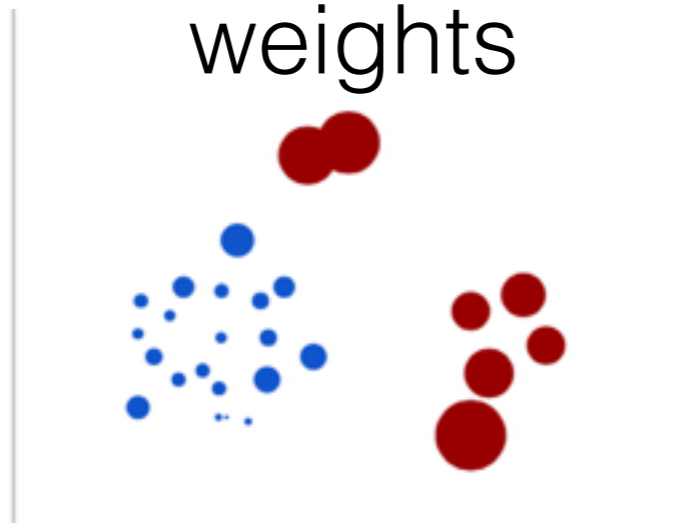
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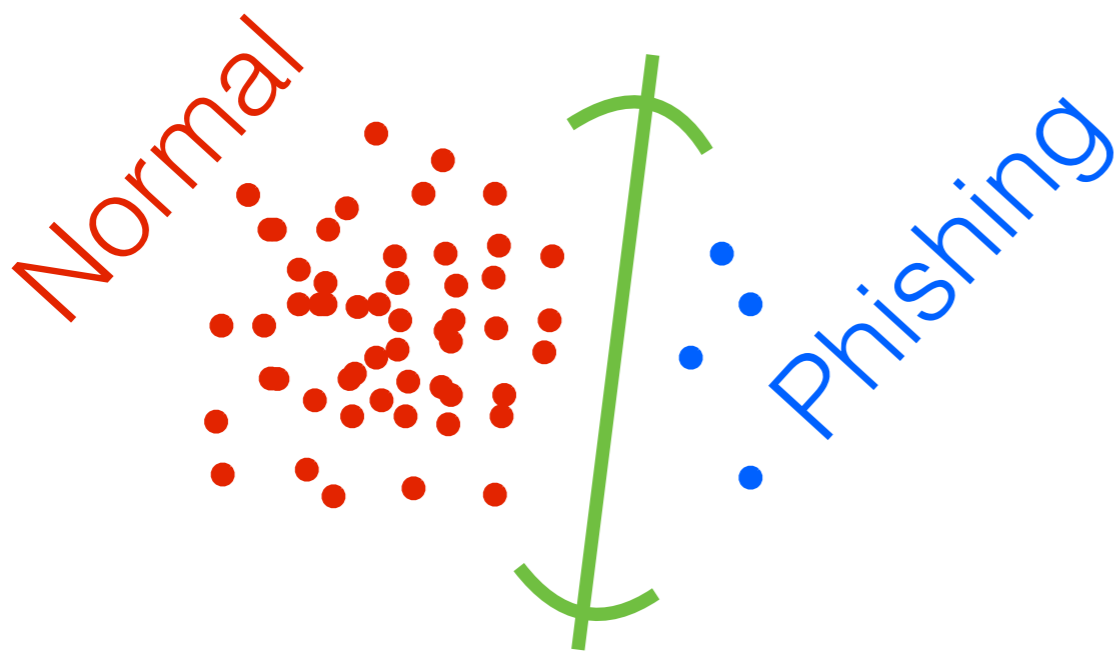
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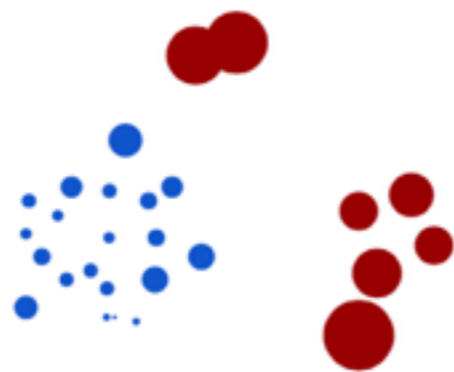
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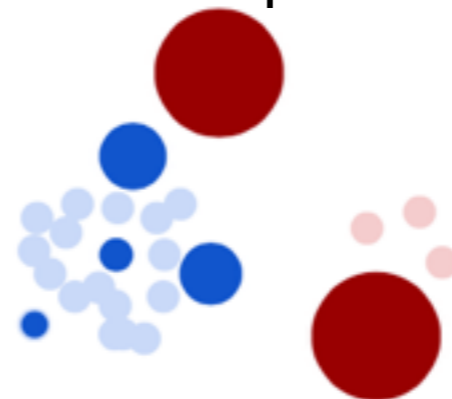
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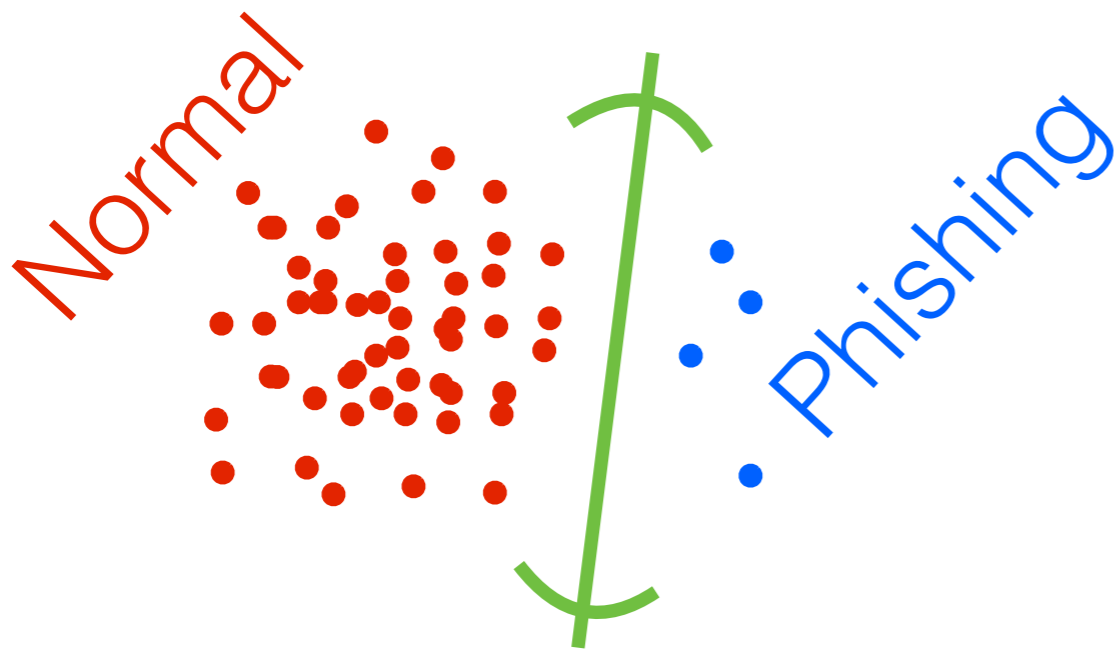
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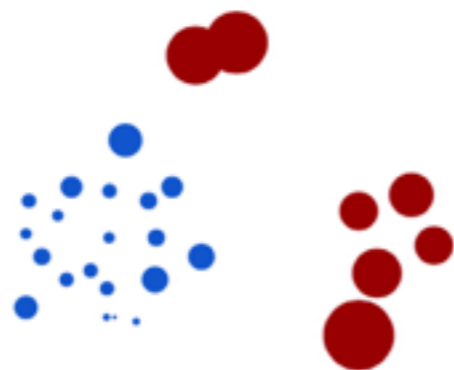
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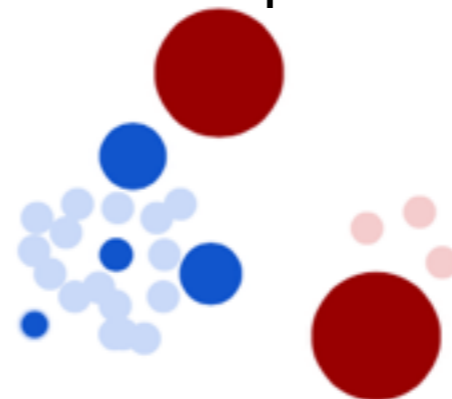
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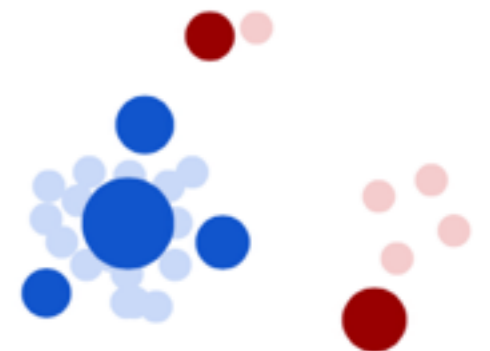
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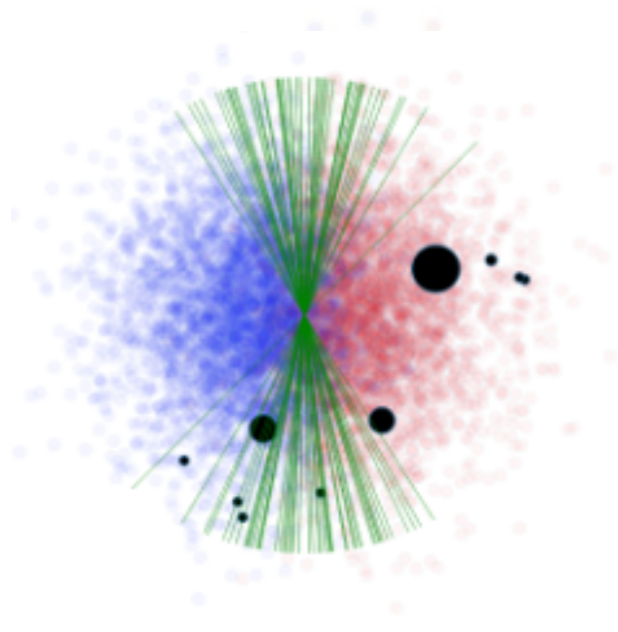
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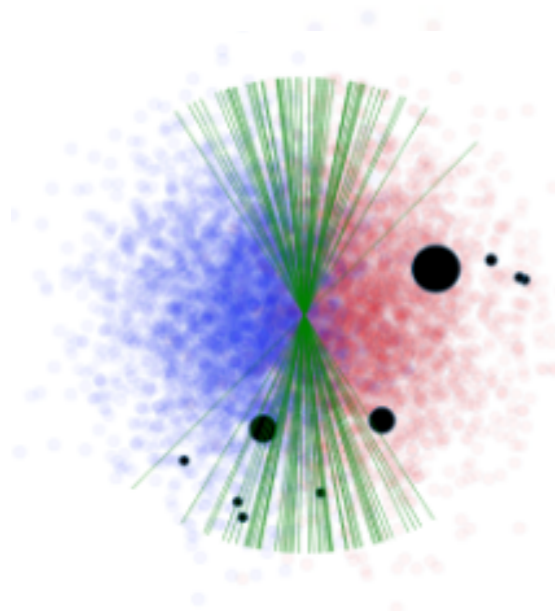
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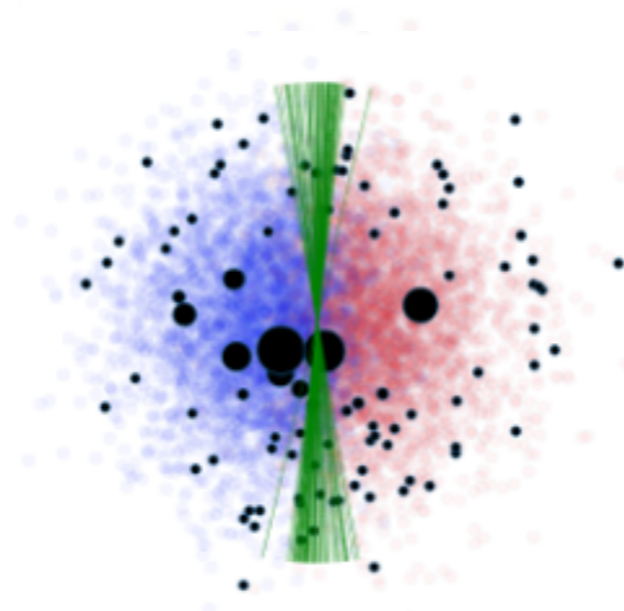
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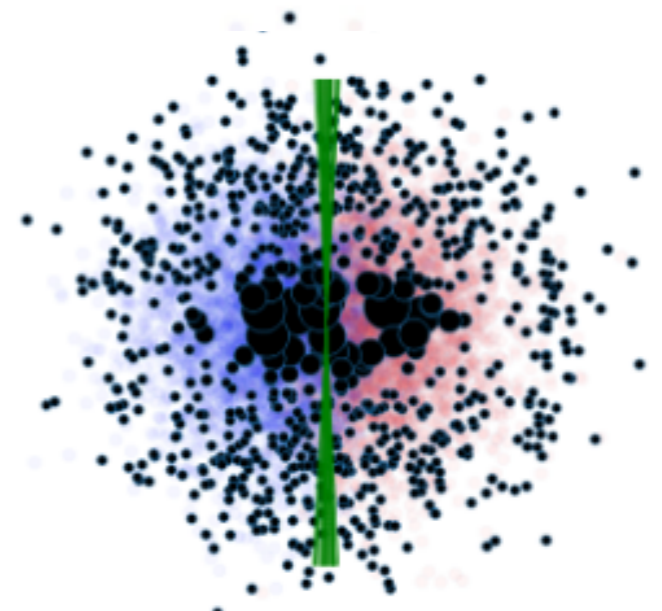
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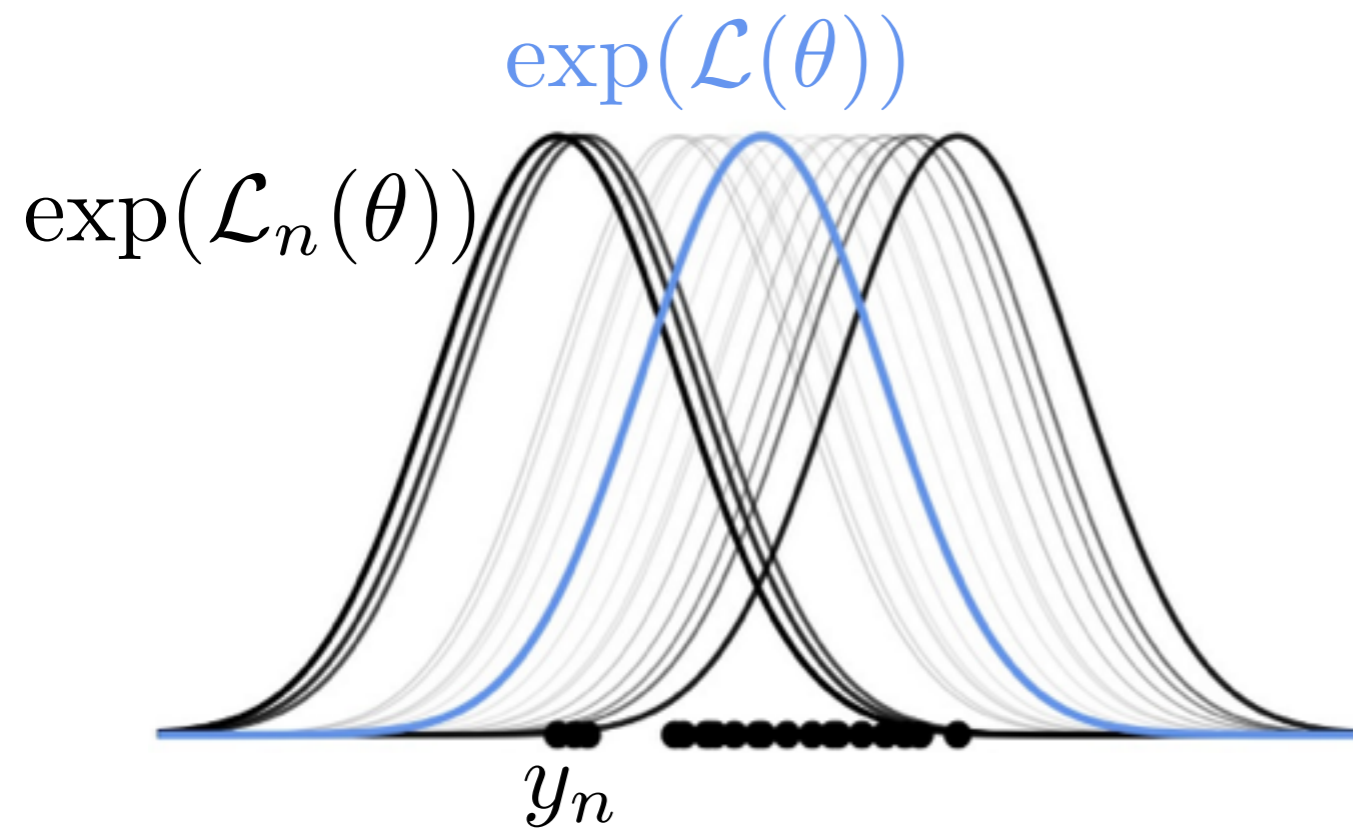
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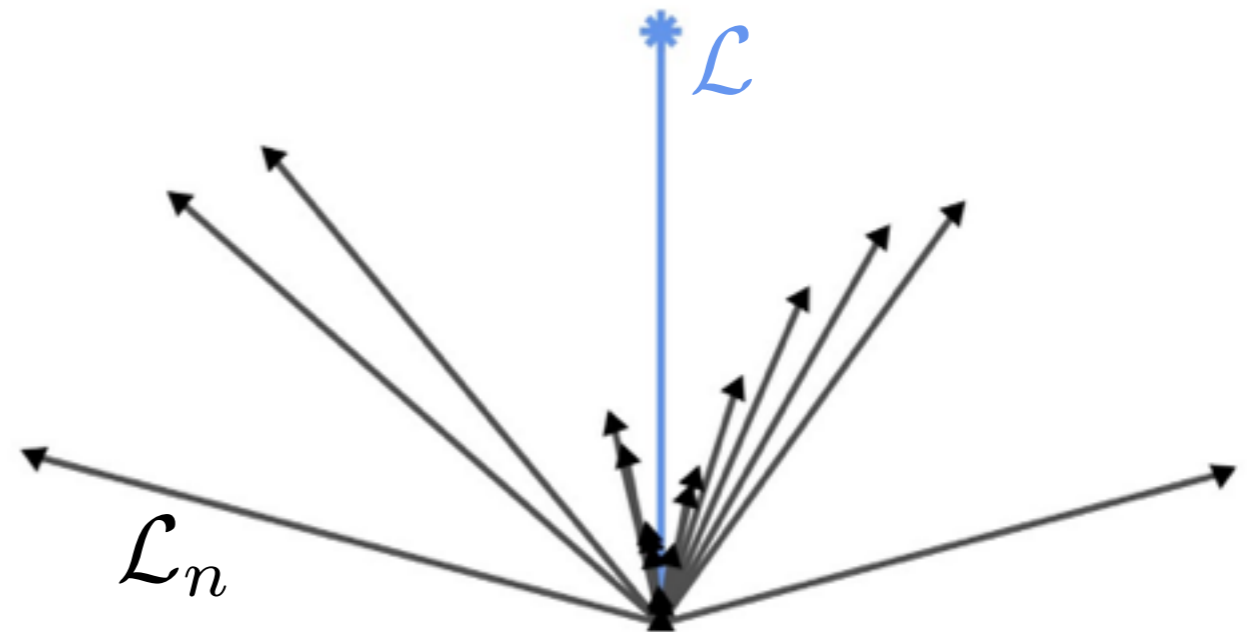
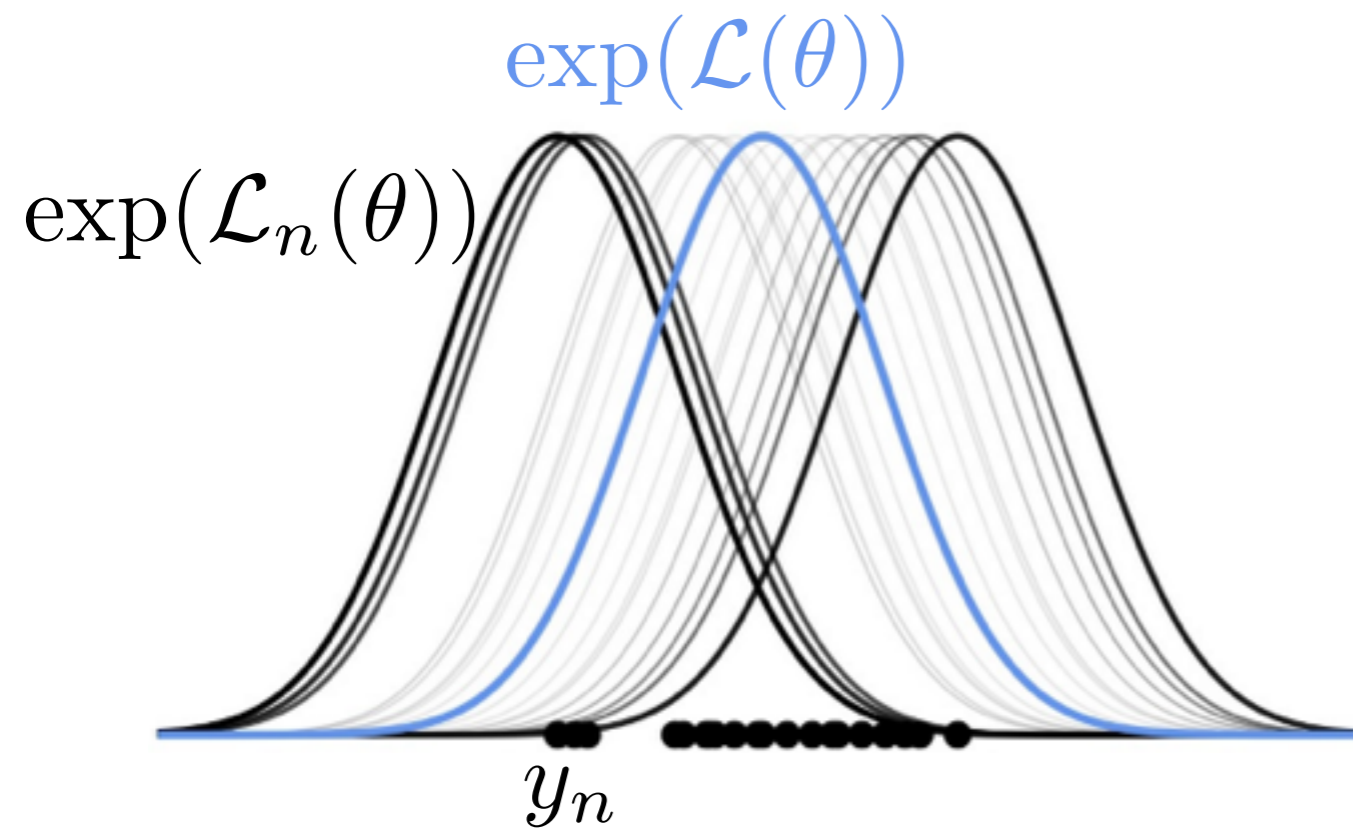
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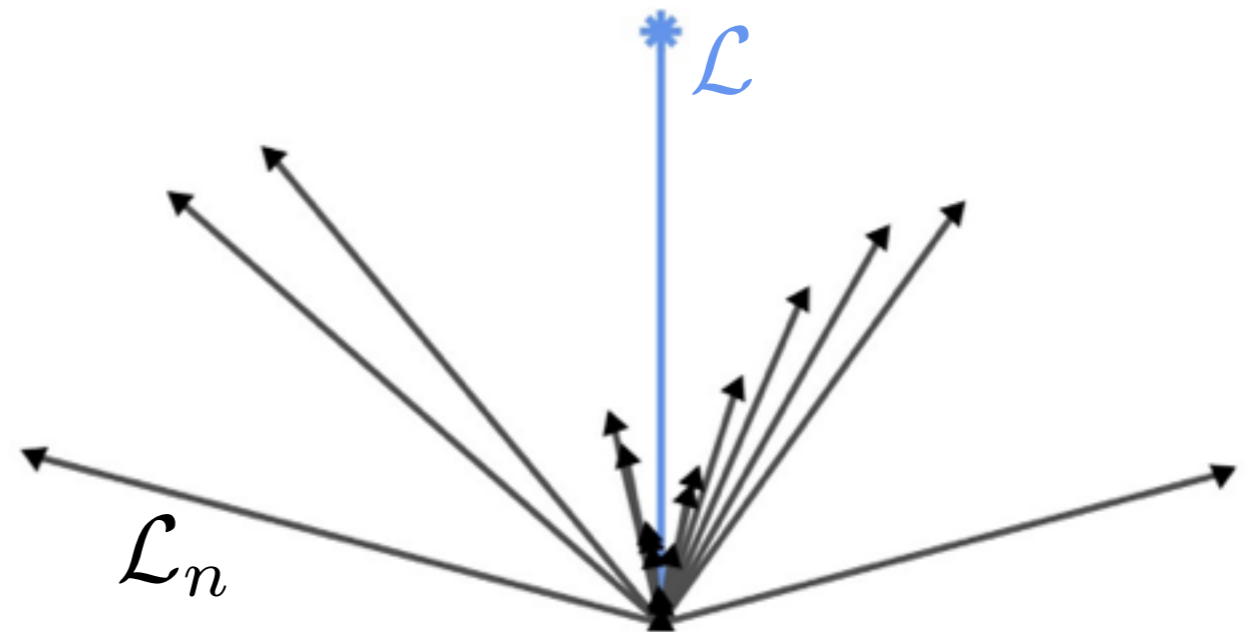
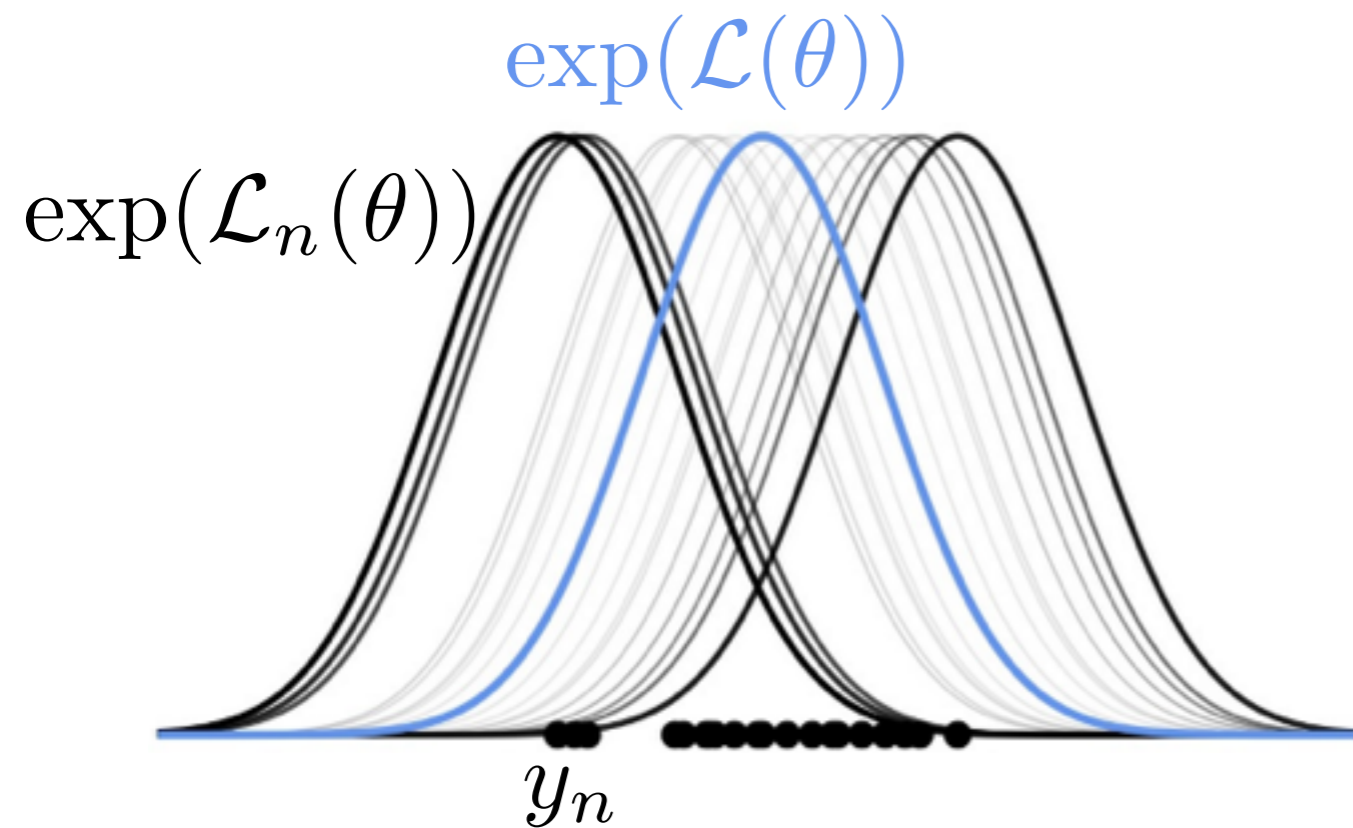
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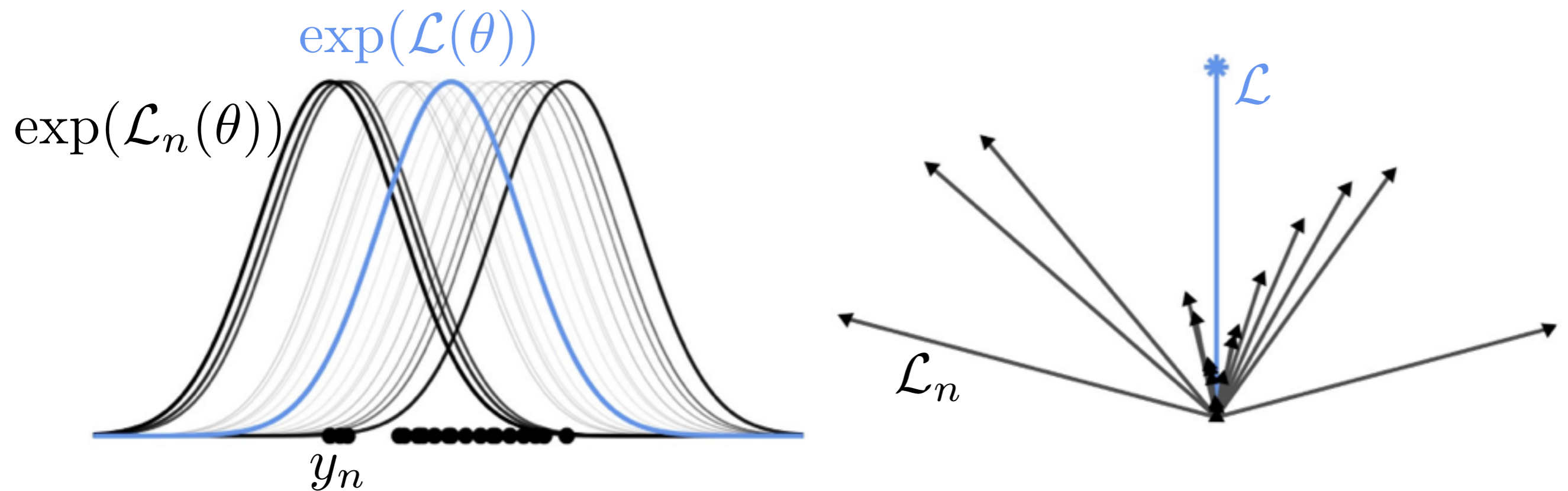
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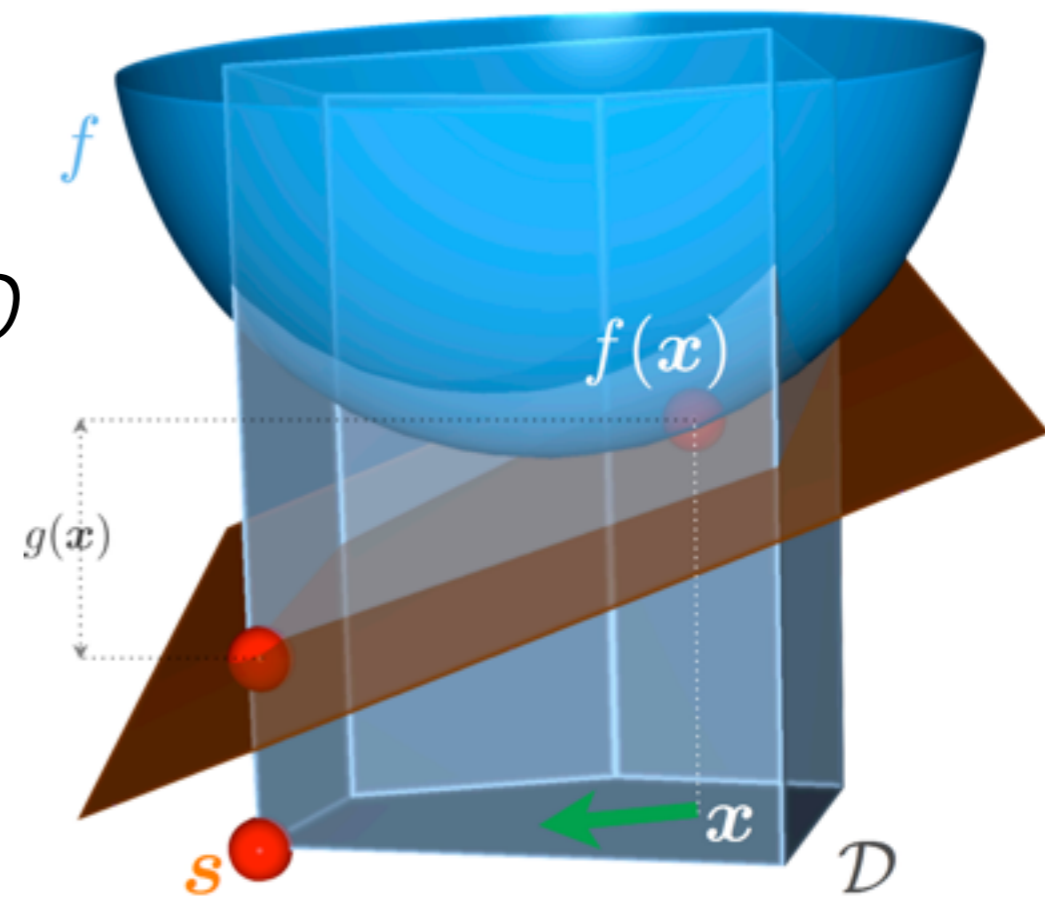
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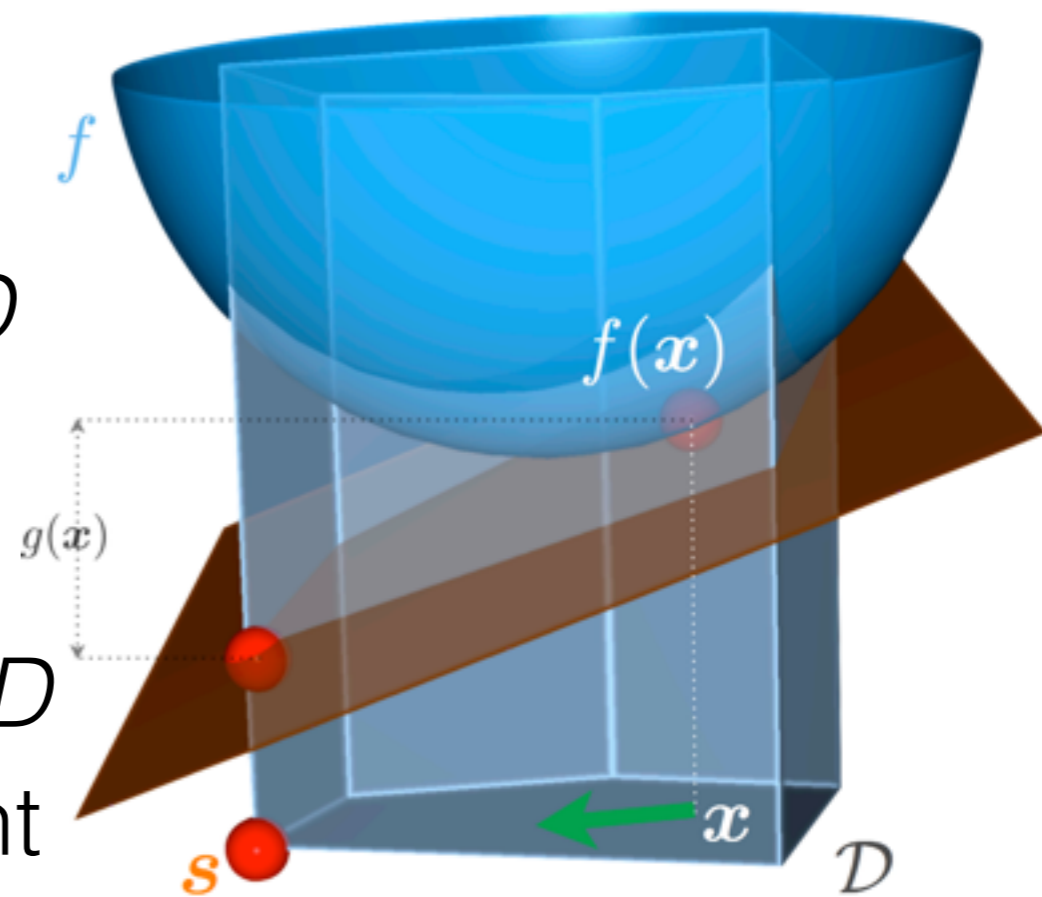


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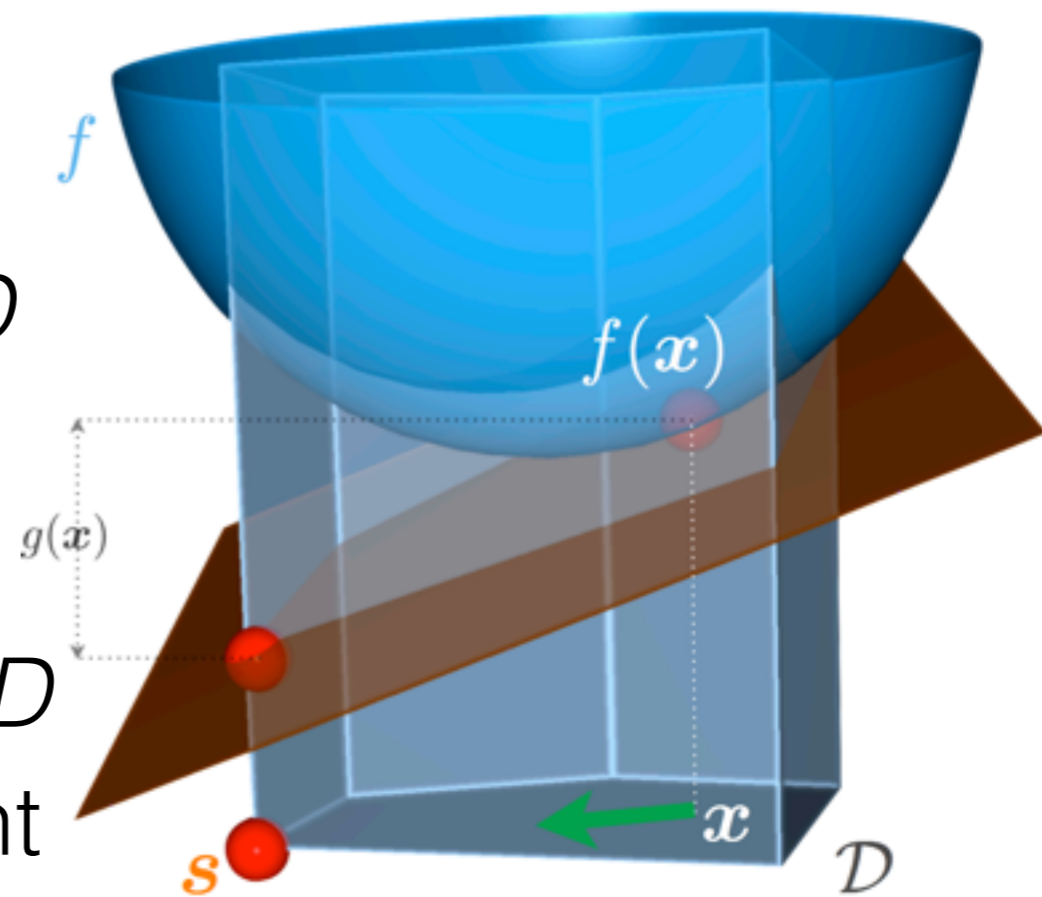


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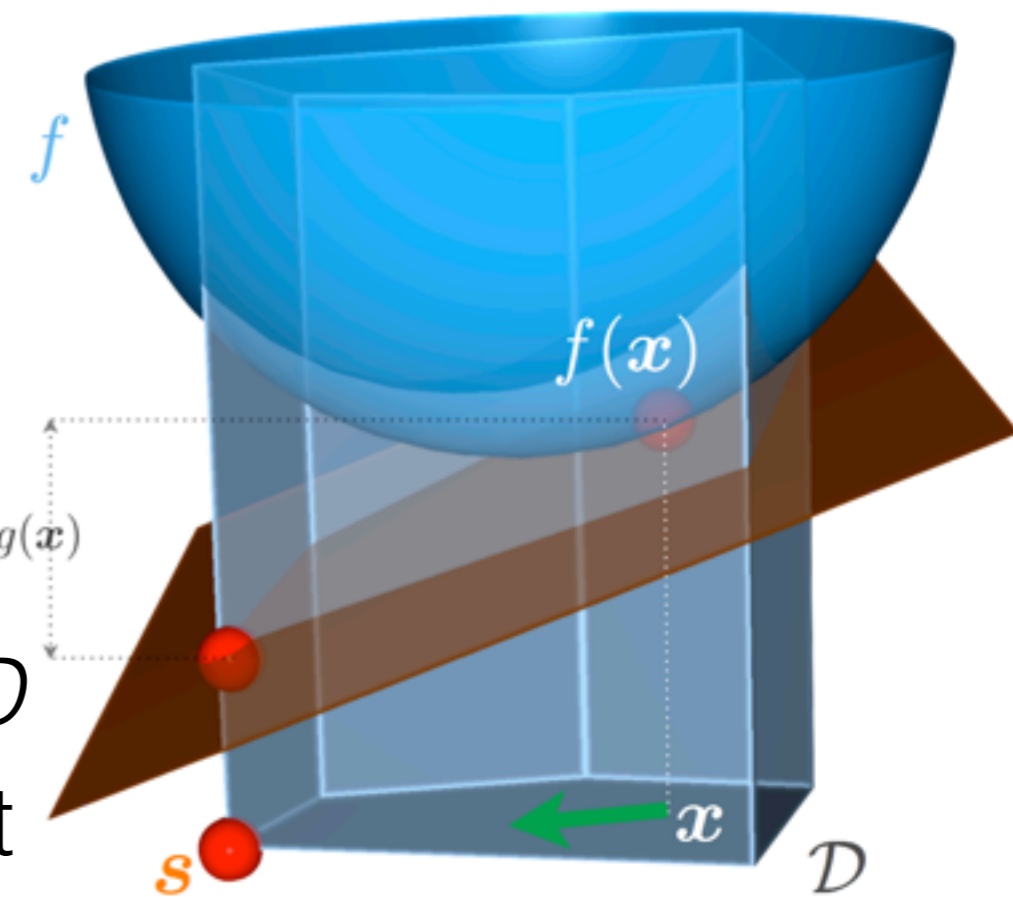


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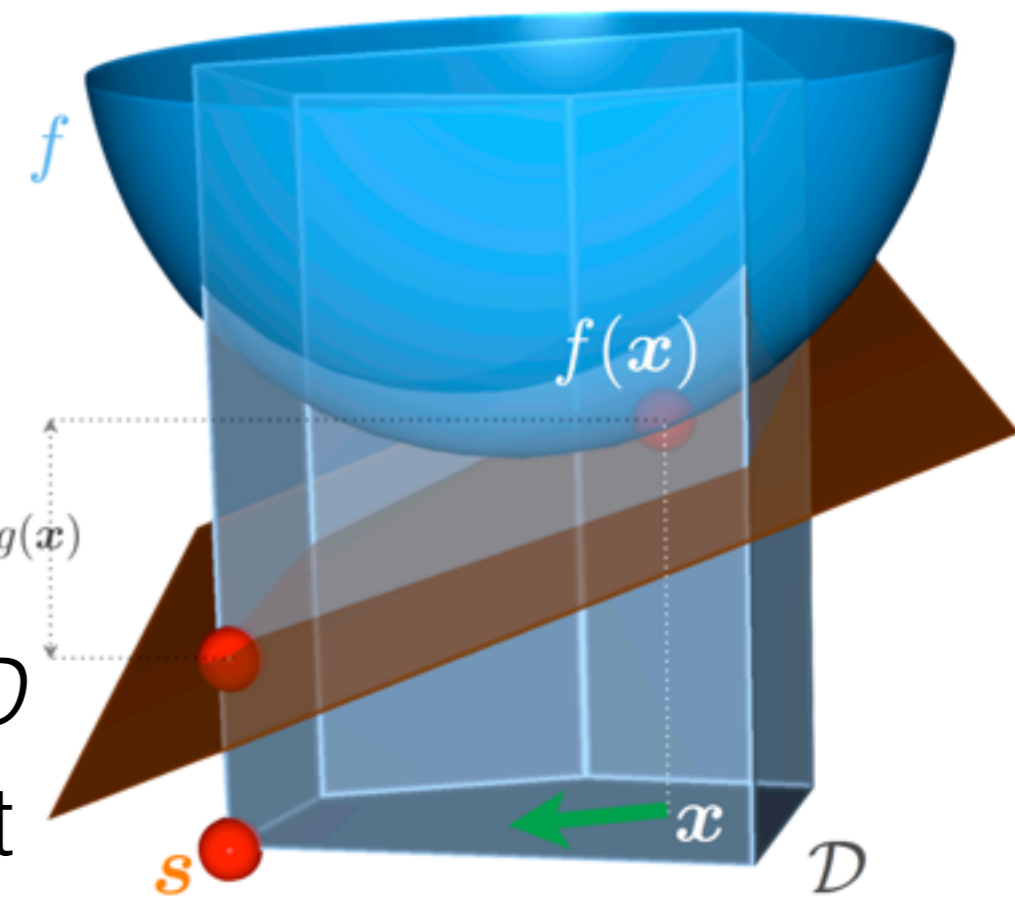


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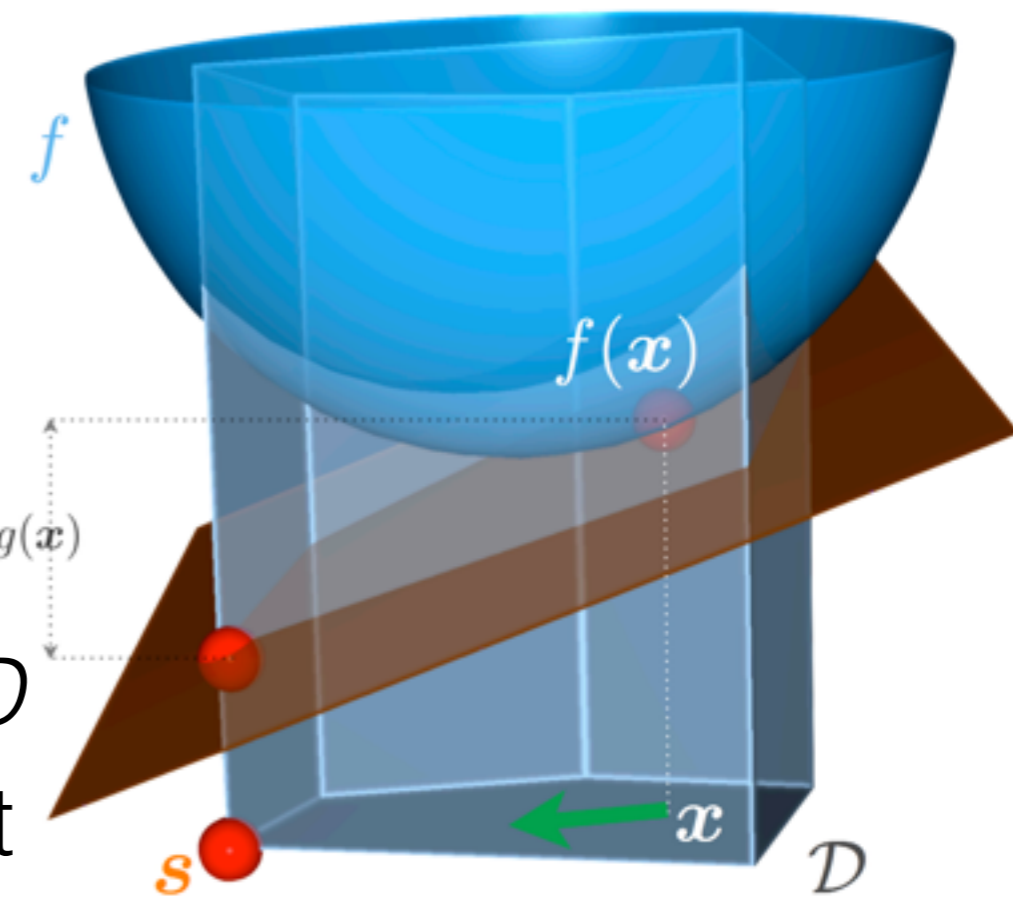


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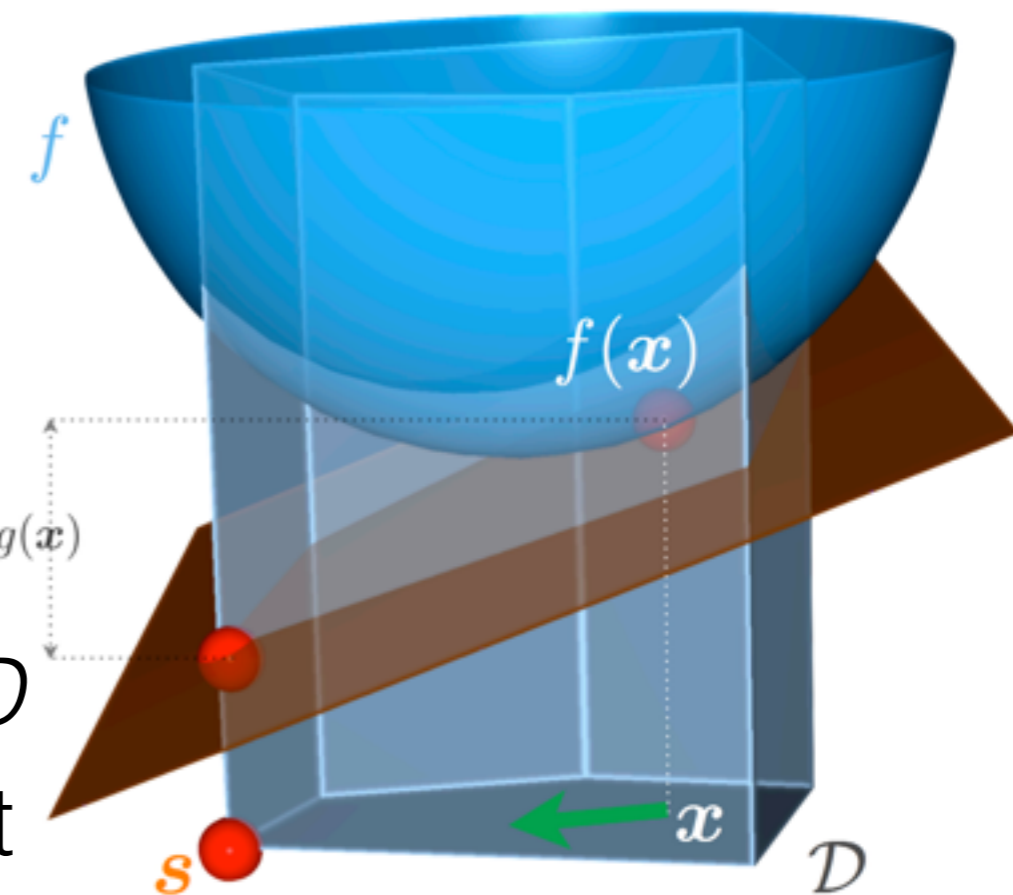
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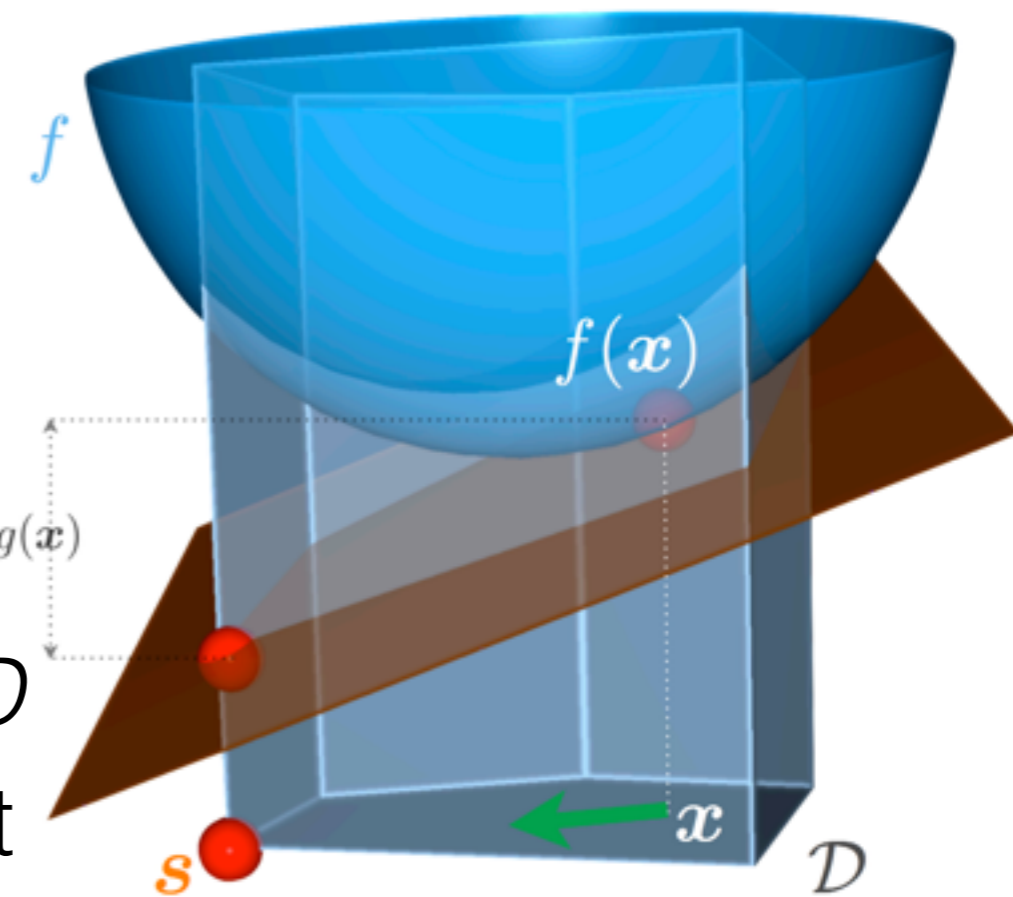
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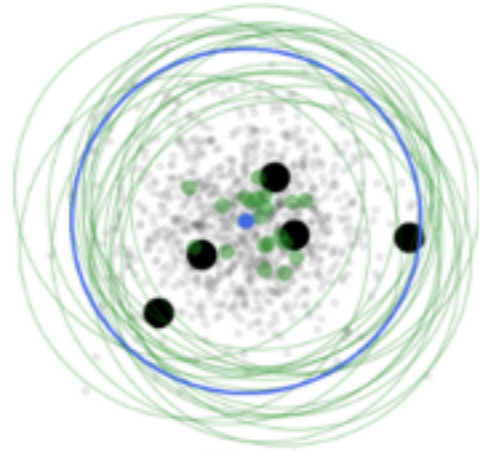
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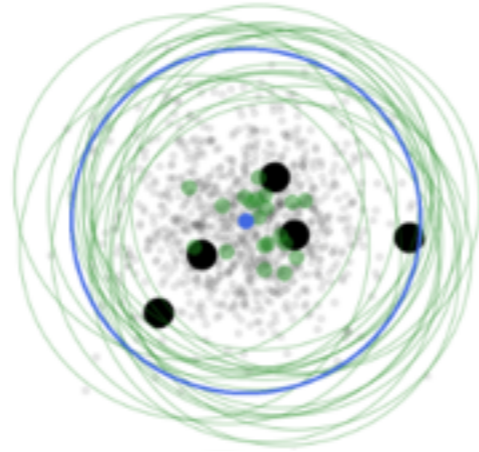


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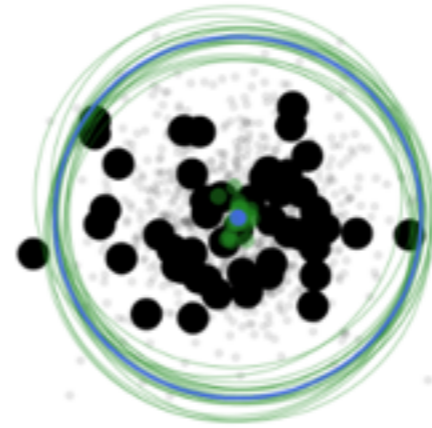
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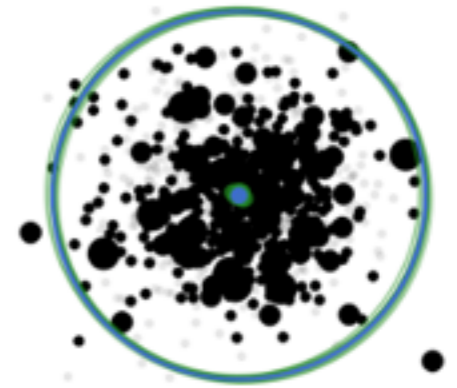
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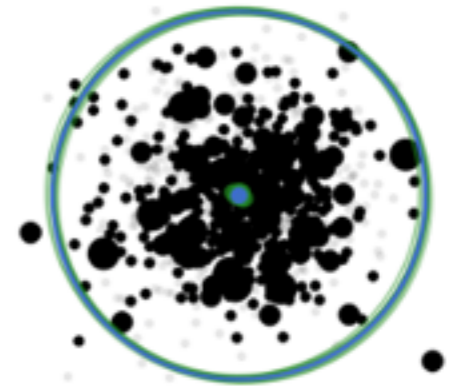
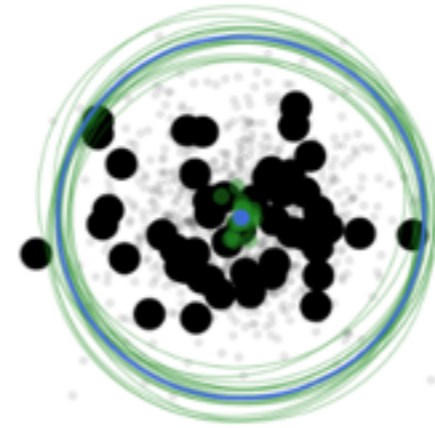
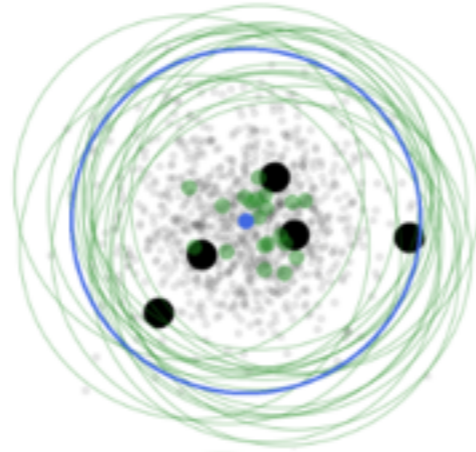


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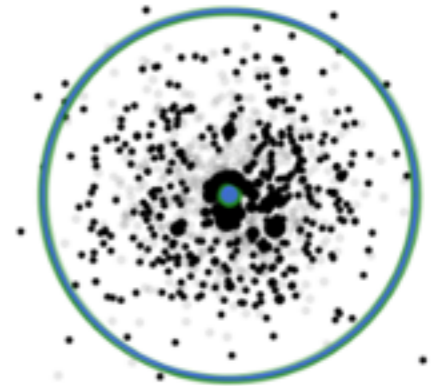
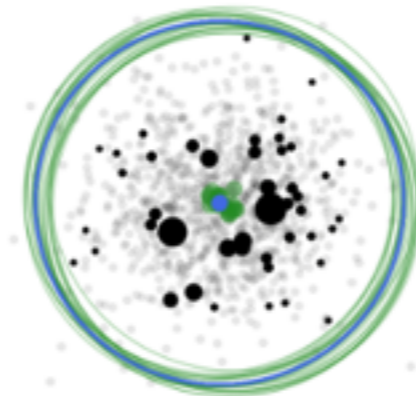
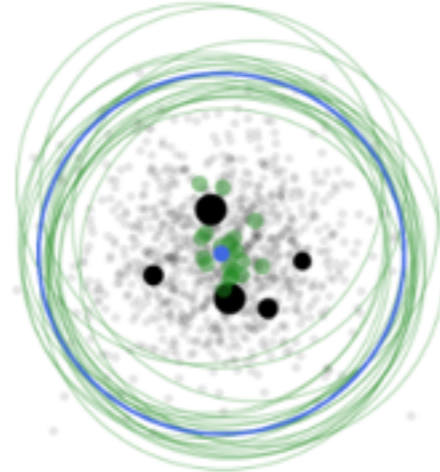
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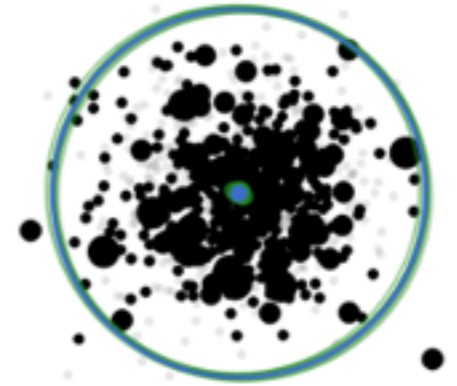
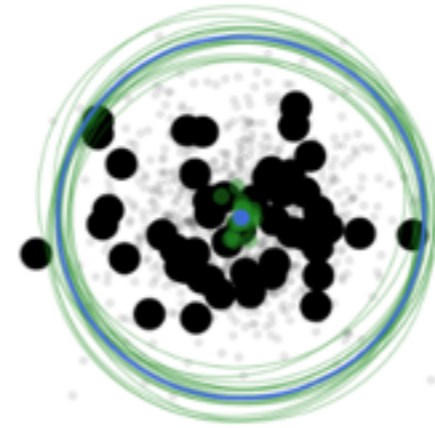
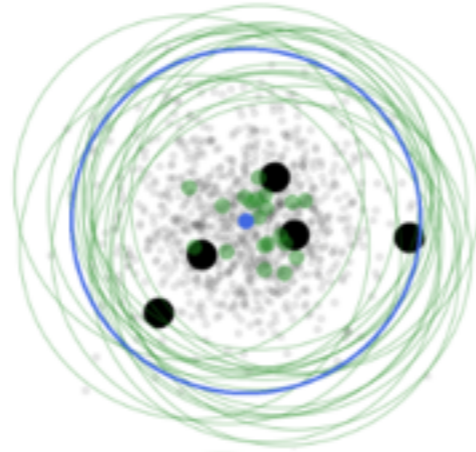
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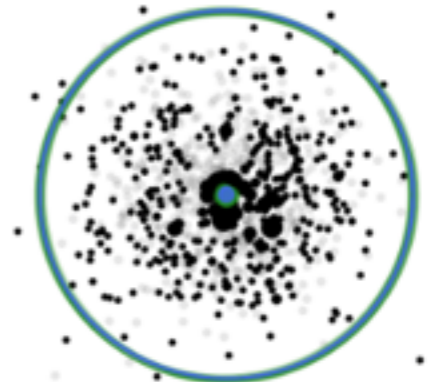
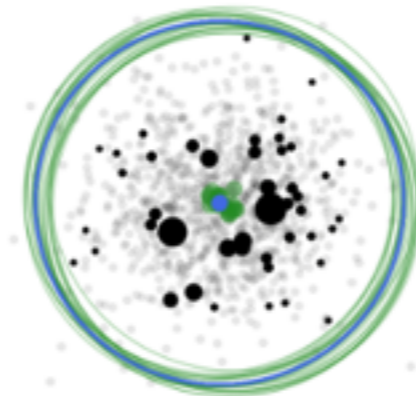
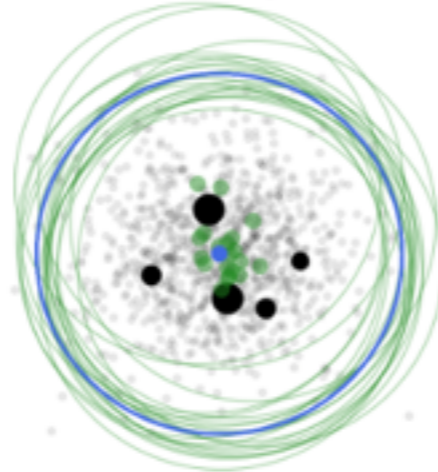
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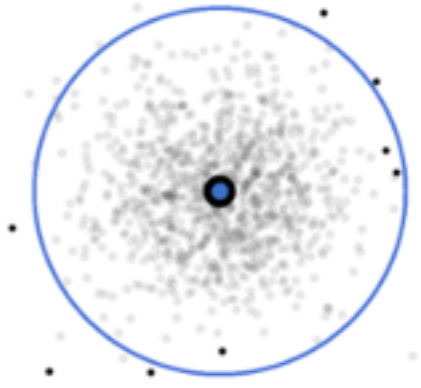
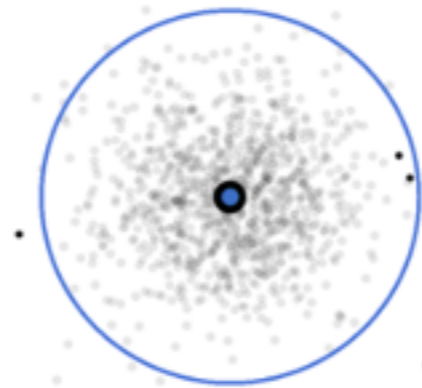
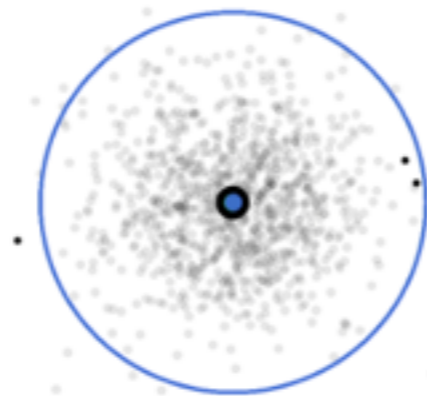
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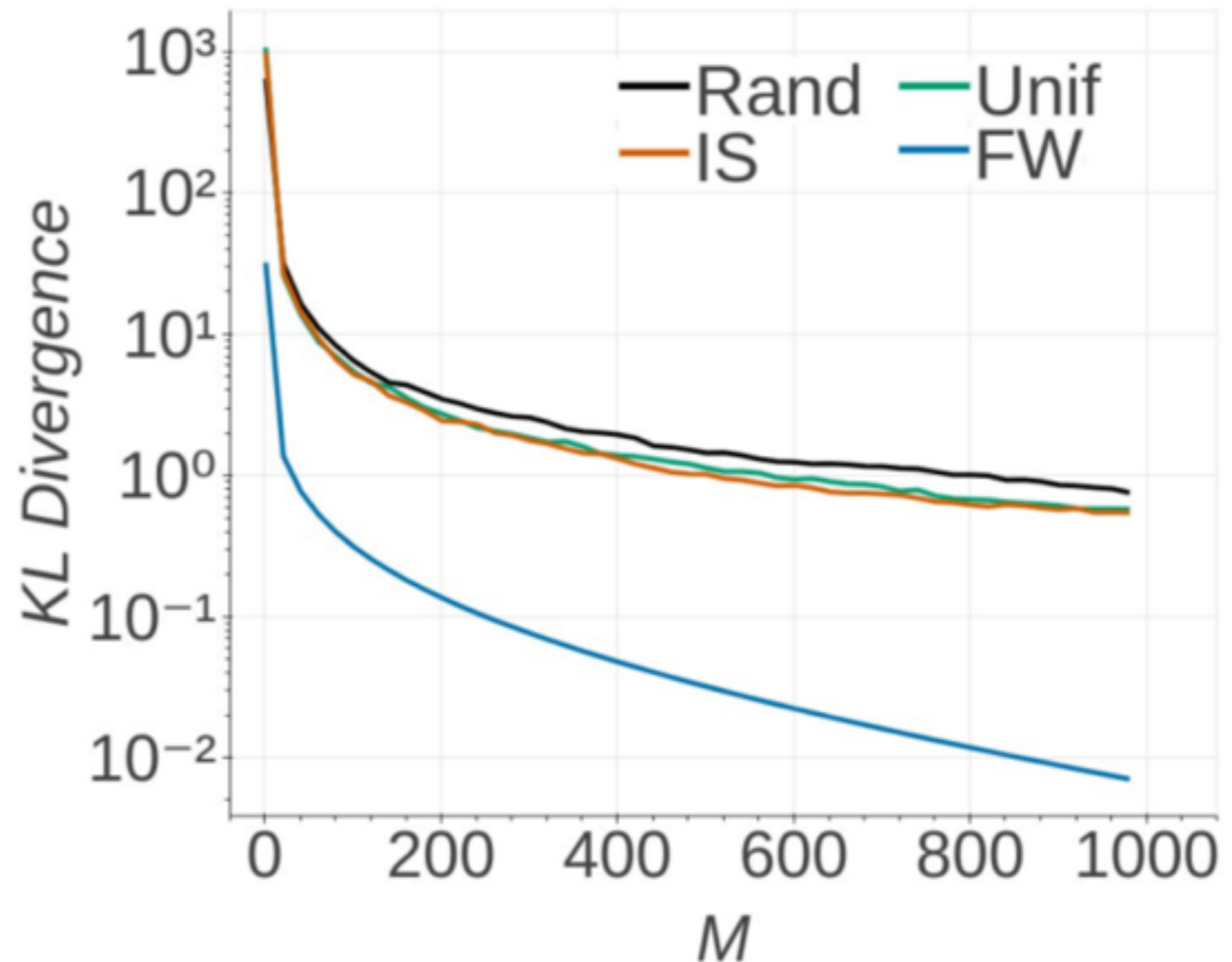
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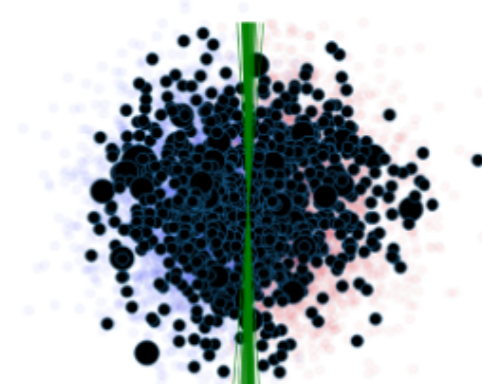
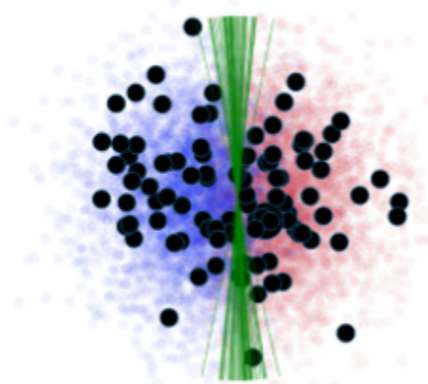
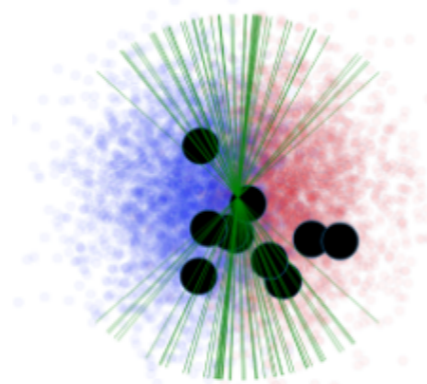
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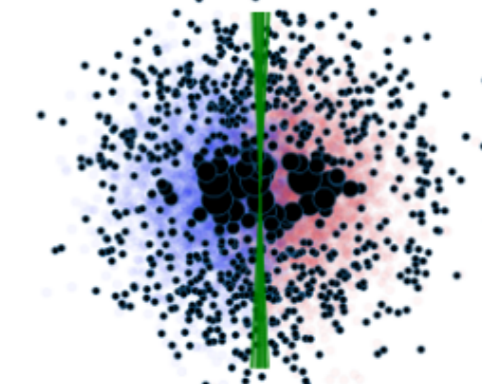
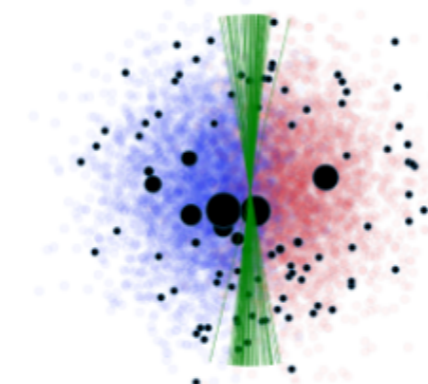
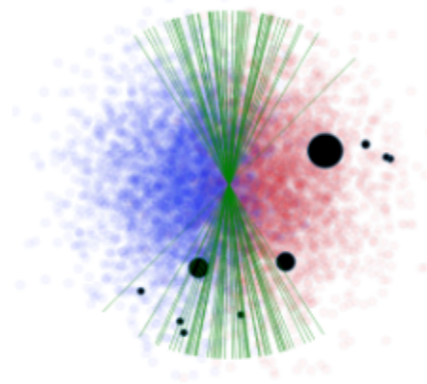
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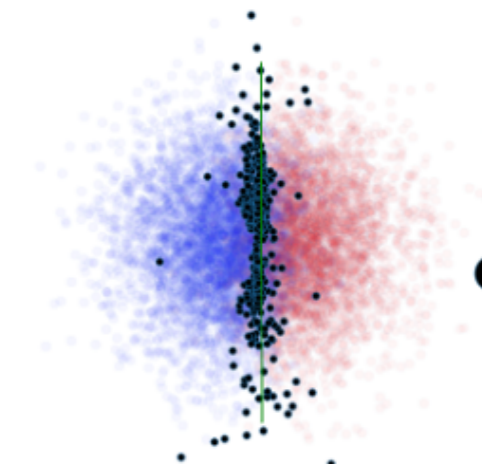
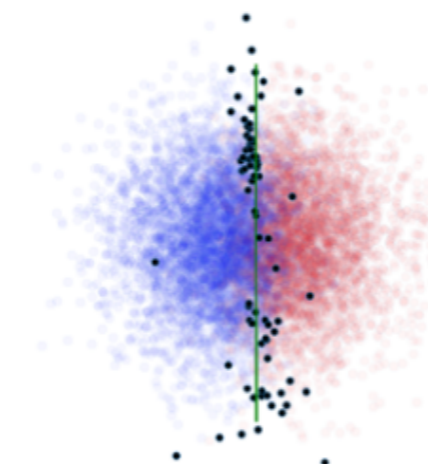
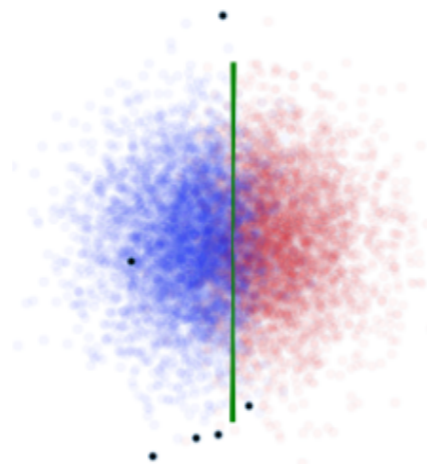
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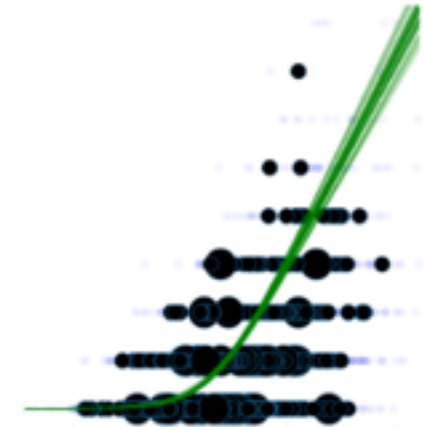
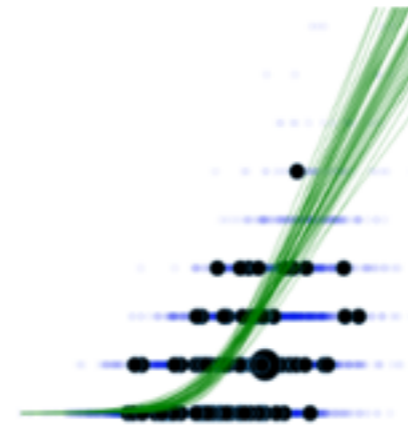
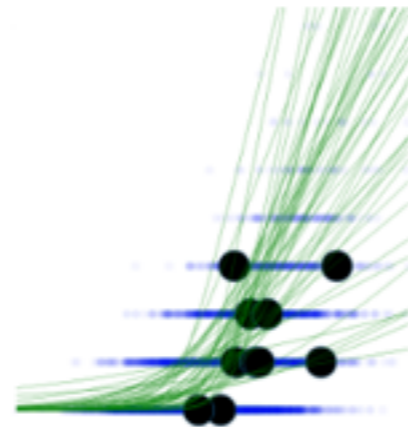
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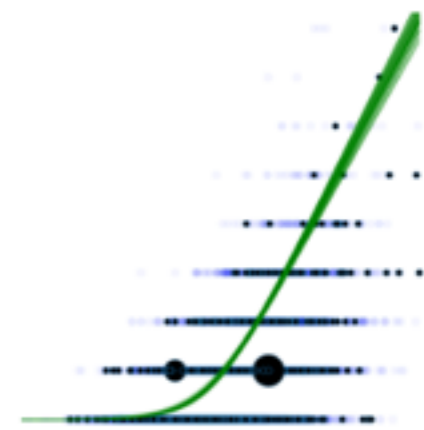
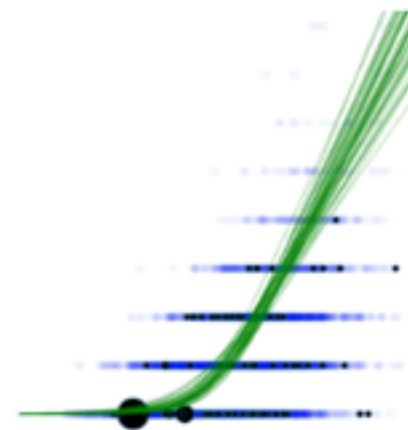
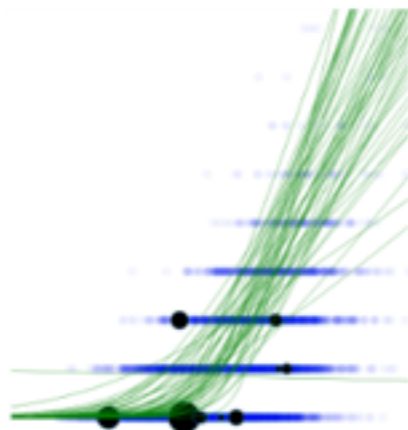
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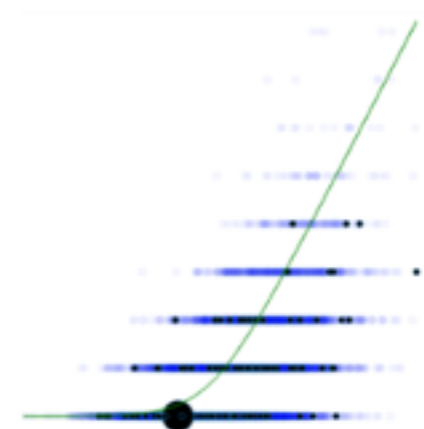
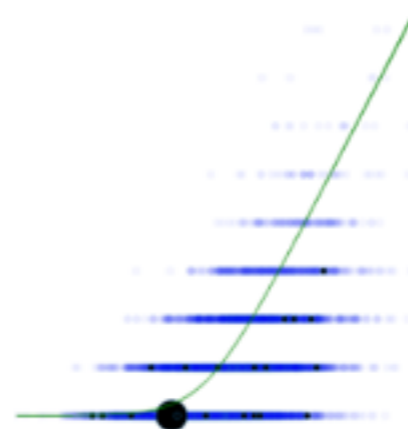
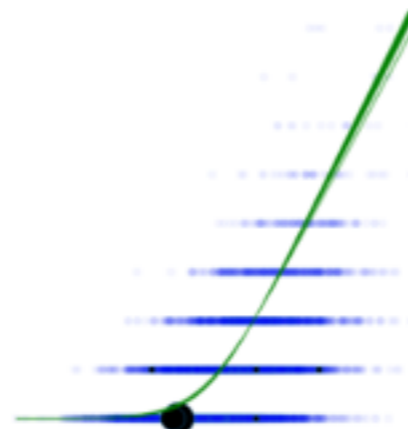
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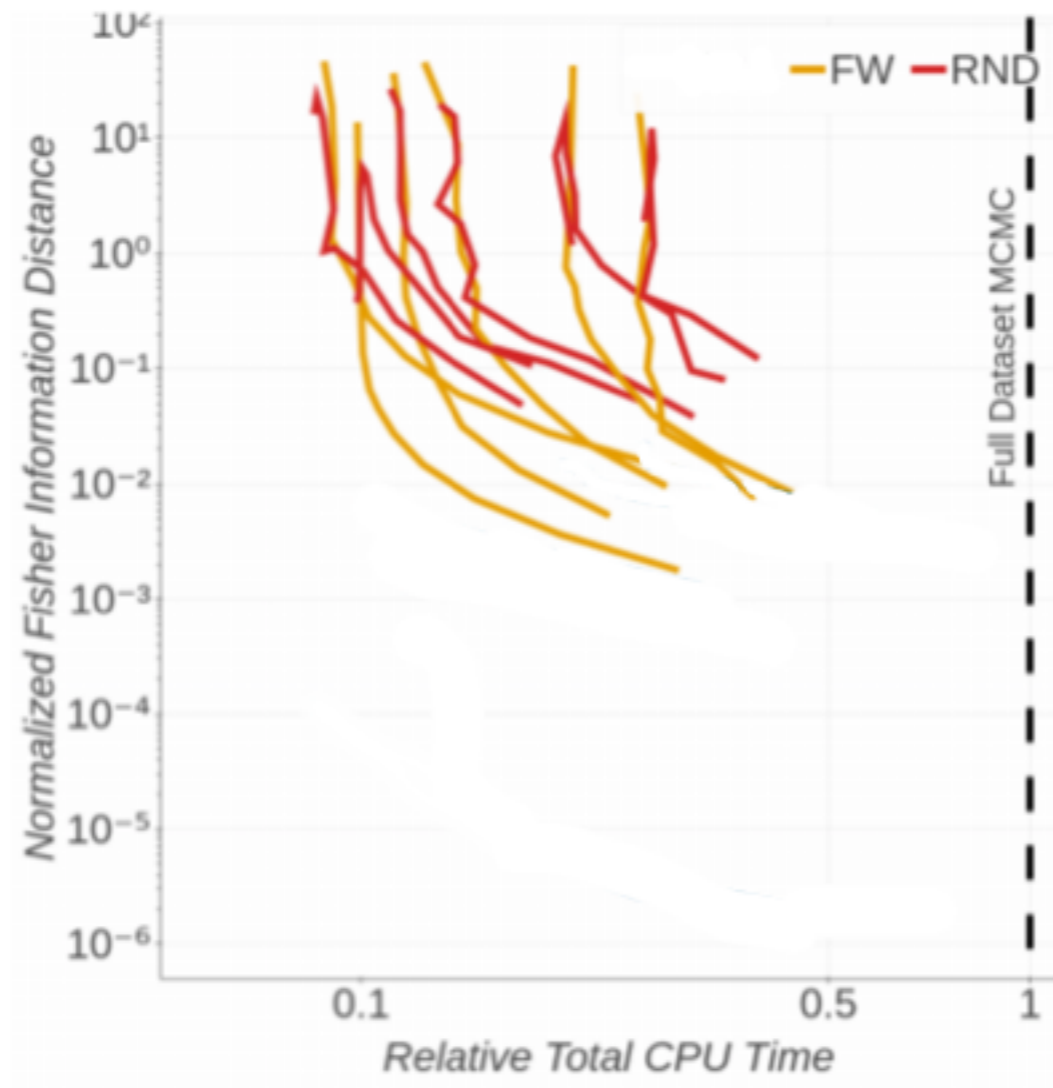


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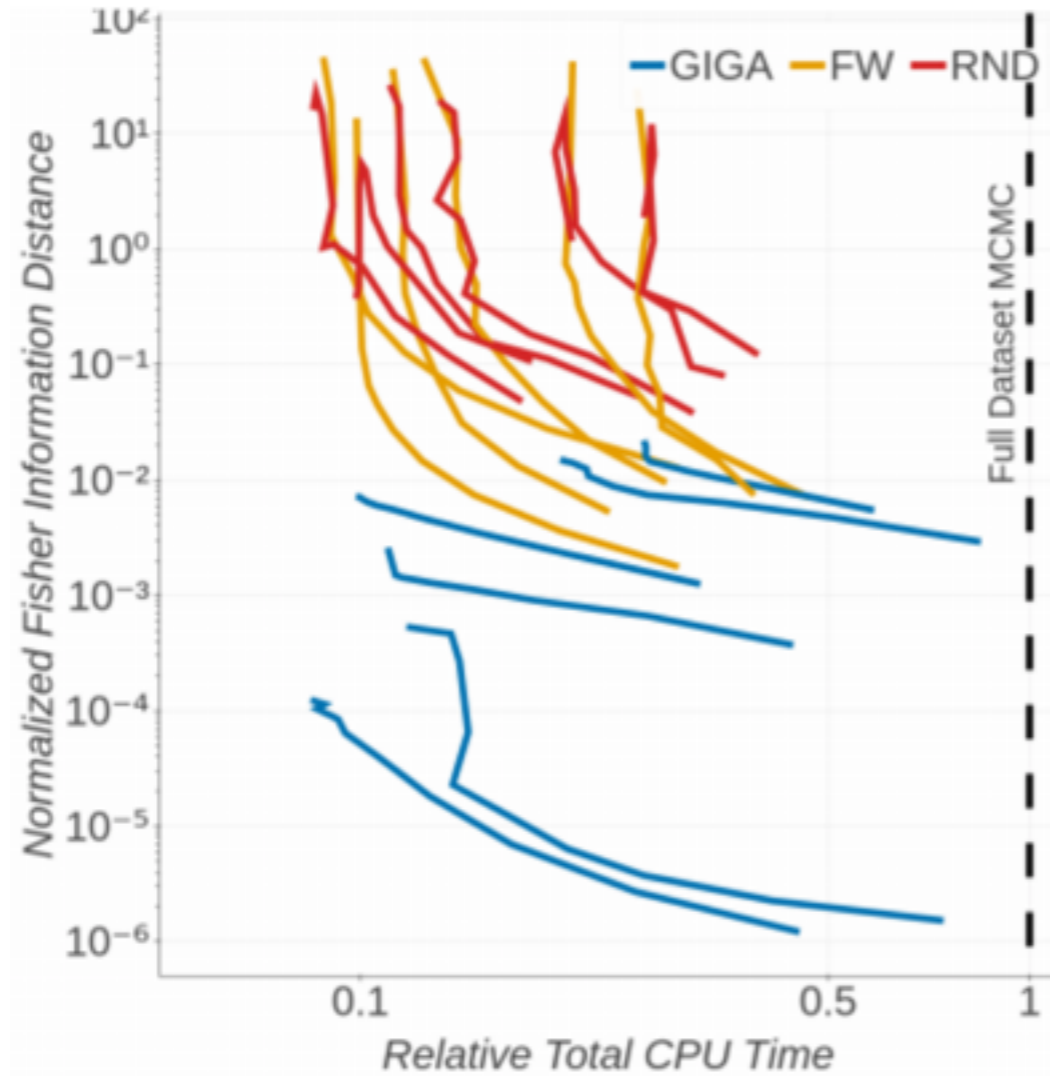
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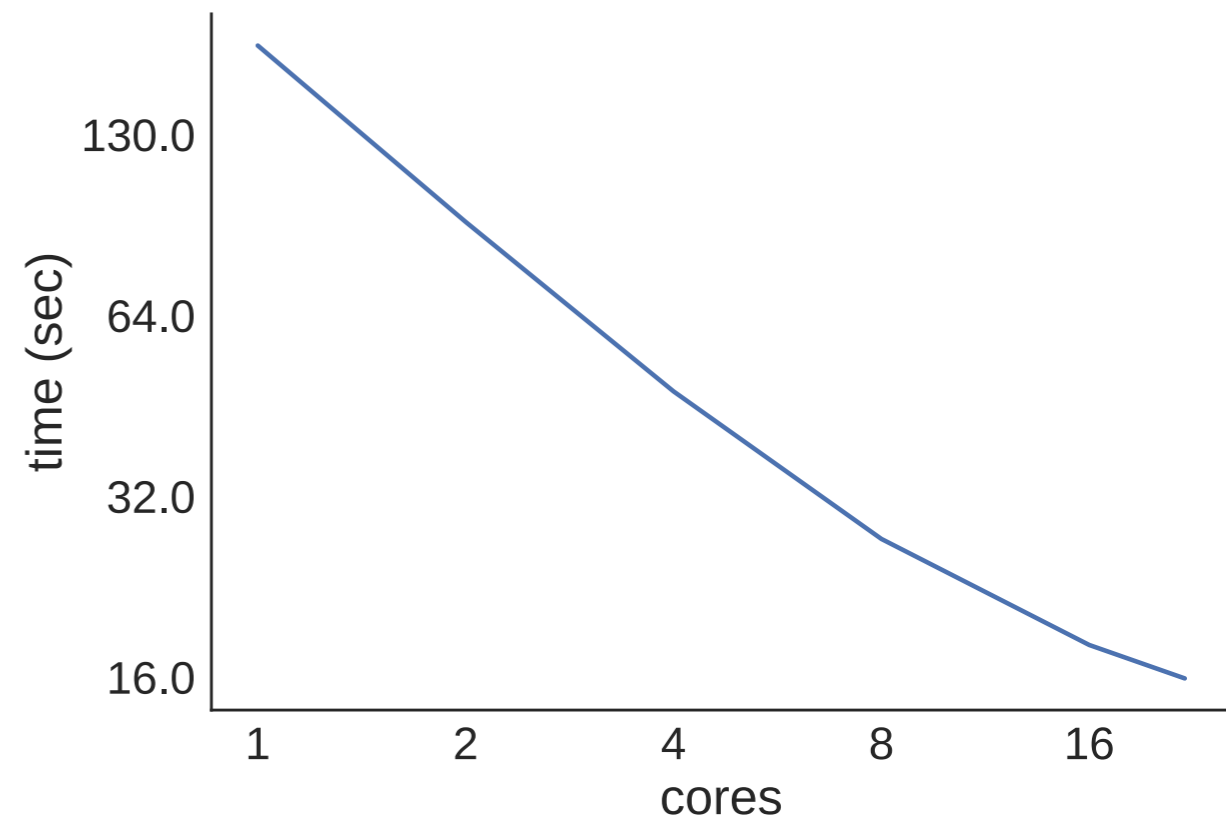
Data summarization

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By: CriteoLabs / 31 Mar 2015

- 6M data points, 1000 features
- Streaming, distributed; minimal communication
- 22 cores, 16 sec
- Finite-data guarantees on Wasserstein distance to exact posterior



[Huggins, Adams, Broderick 2017]

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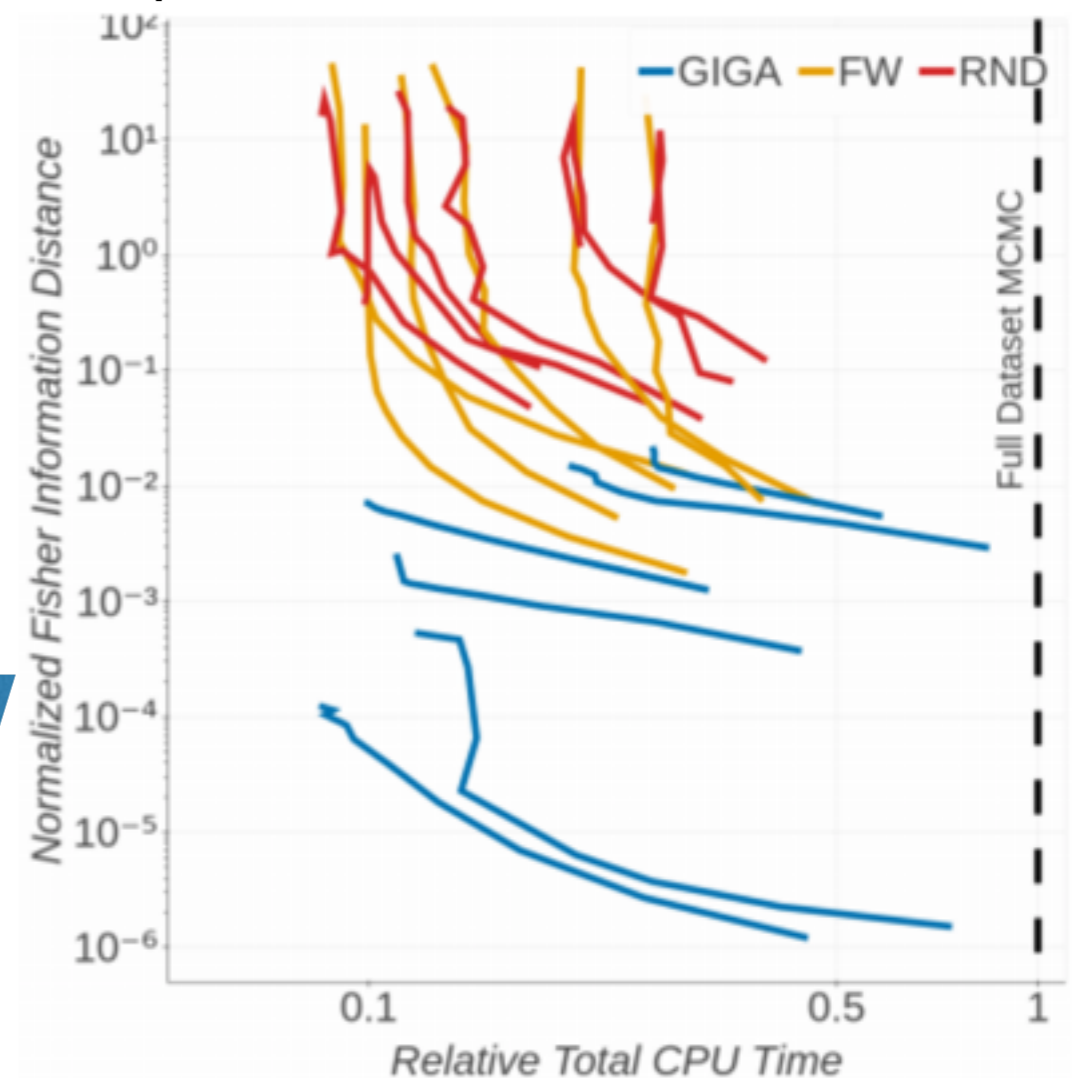
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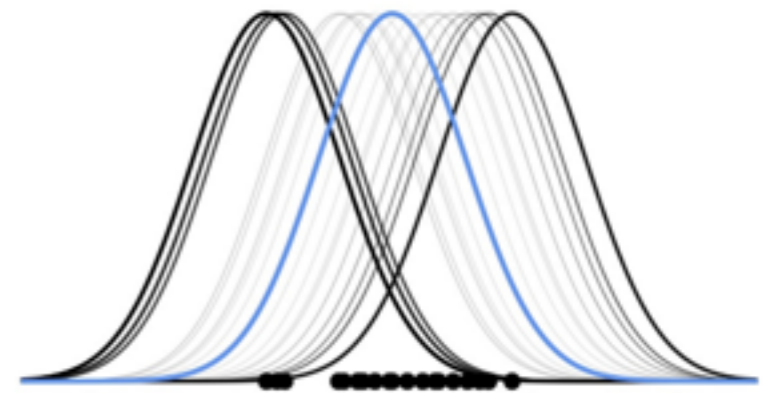
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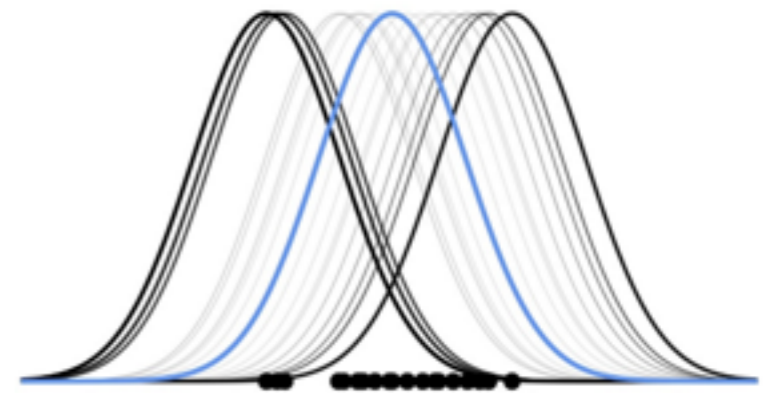
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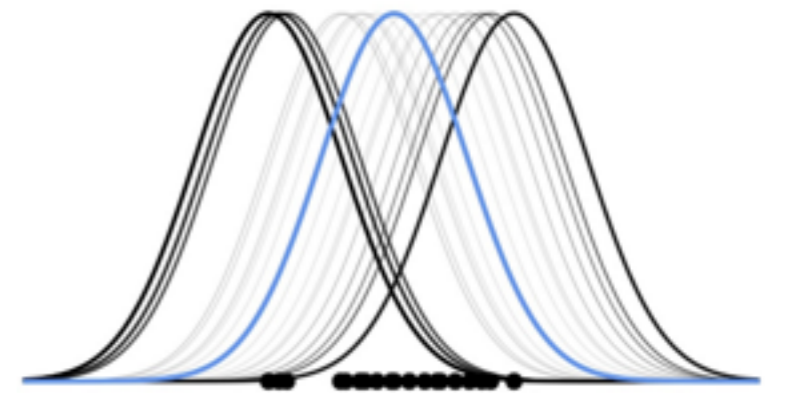
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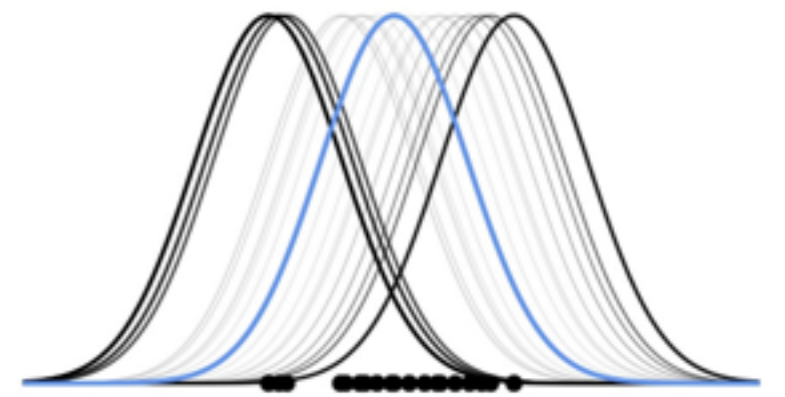
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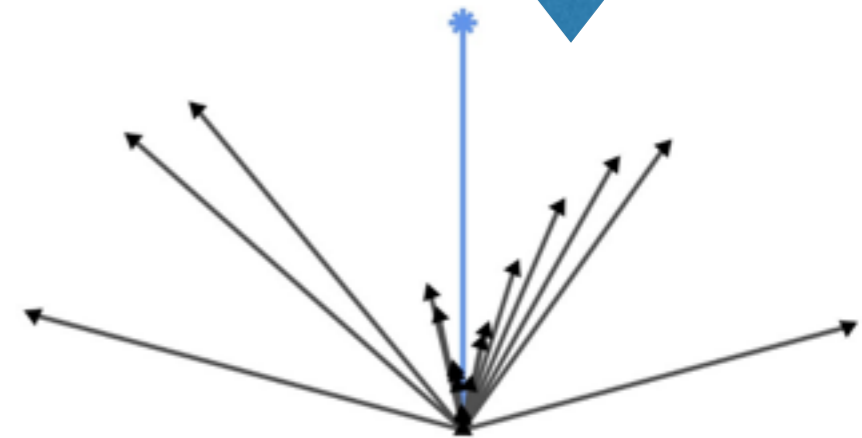
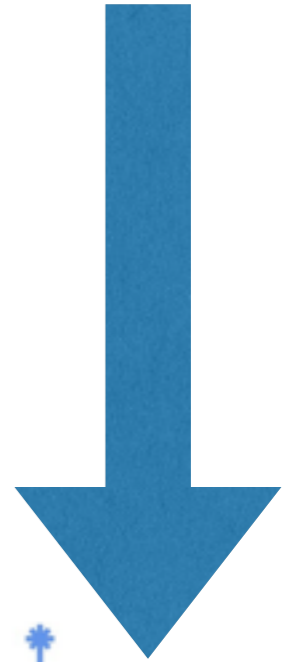
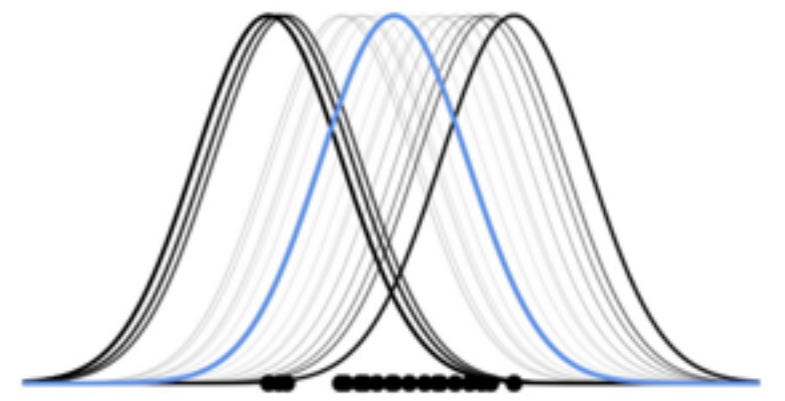
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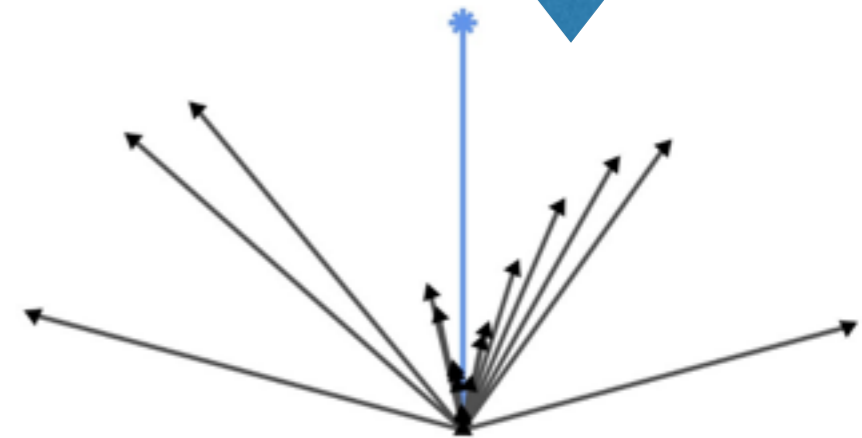
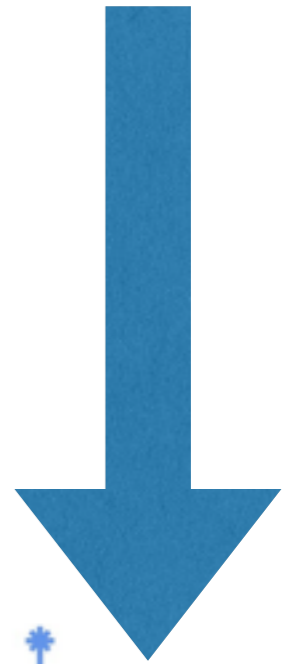
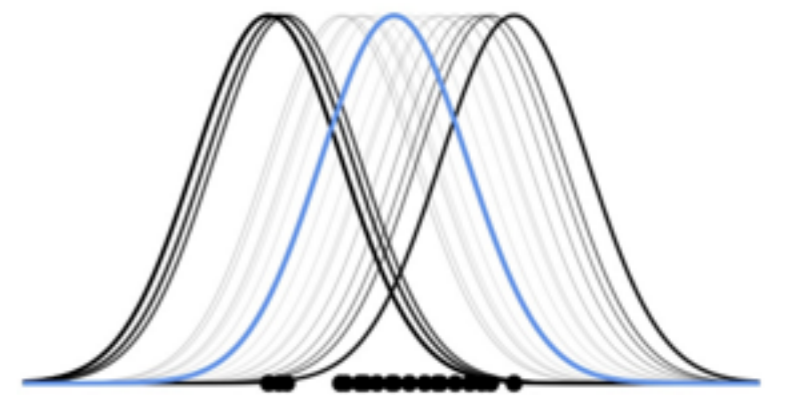
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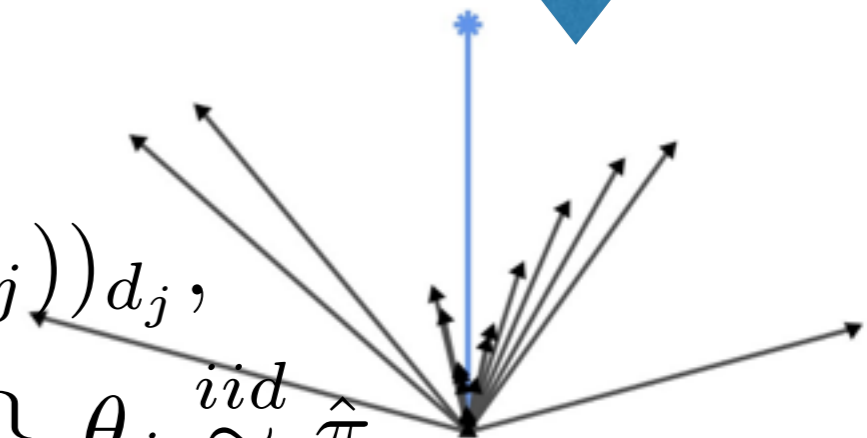
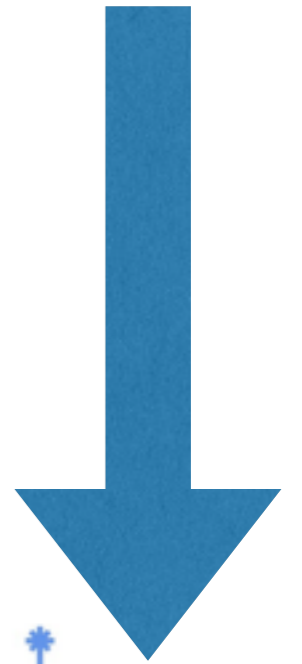
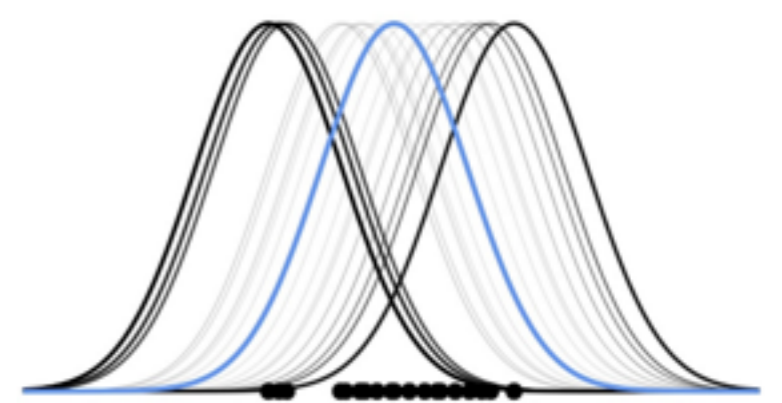
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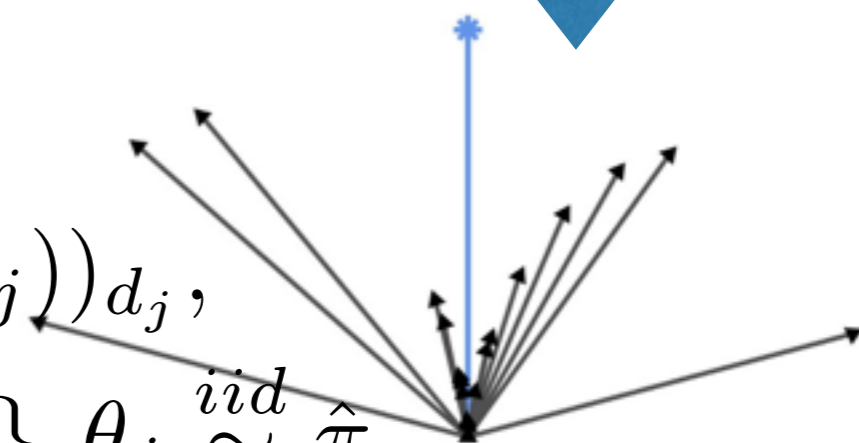
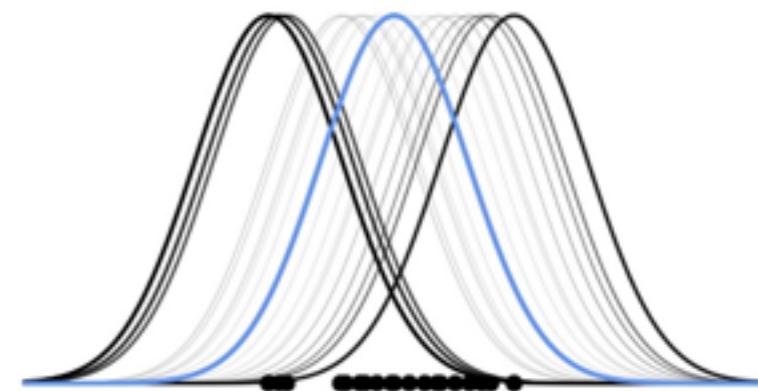
- Associated inner product:

$$\langle \mathcal{L}_n, \mathcal{L}_m \rangle_{\hat{\pi}, F} := \mathbb{E}_{\hat{\pi}} [\nabla \mathcal{L}_n(\theta)^T \nabla \mathcal{L}_m(\theta)]$$

- Random feature projection

$$\langle \mathcal{L}_n, \mathcal{L}_m \rangle_{\hat{\pi}, F} \approx \frac{D}{J} \sum_{j=1}^J (\nabla \mathcal{L}_n(\theta_j))_{d_j} (\nabla \mathcal{L}_m(\theta_j))_{d_j},$$

$d_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}\{1, \dots, D\}, \theta_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \hat{\pi}$



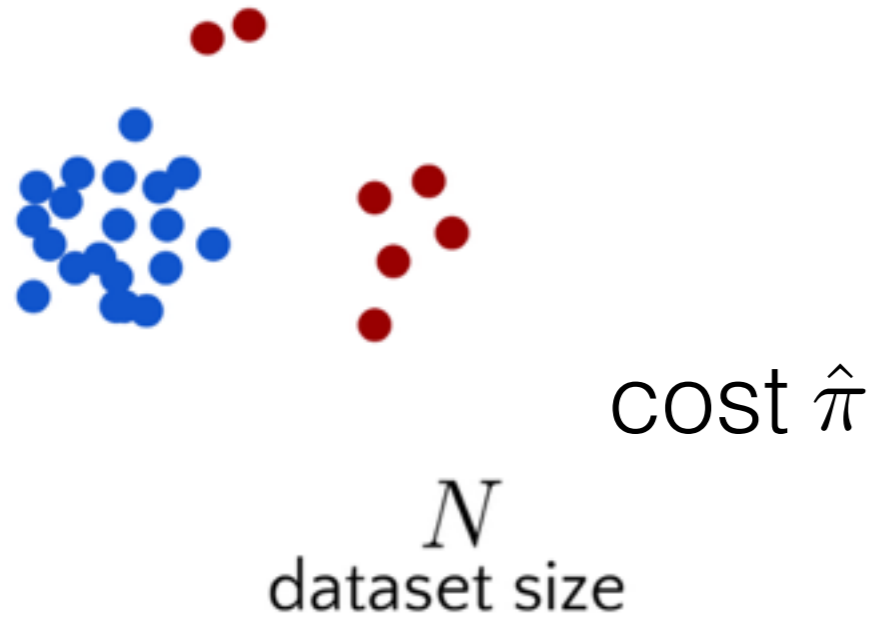
Thm sketch (CB). With high probability and large enough J , a good coresset after random feat. proj. is a good coresset for $(\mathcal{L}_n)_{n=1}^N$

Full pipeline

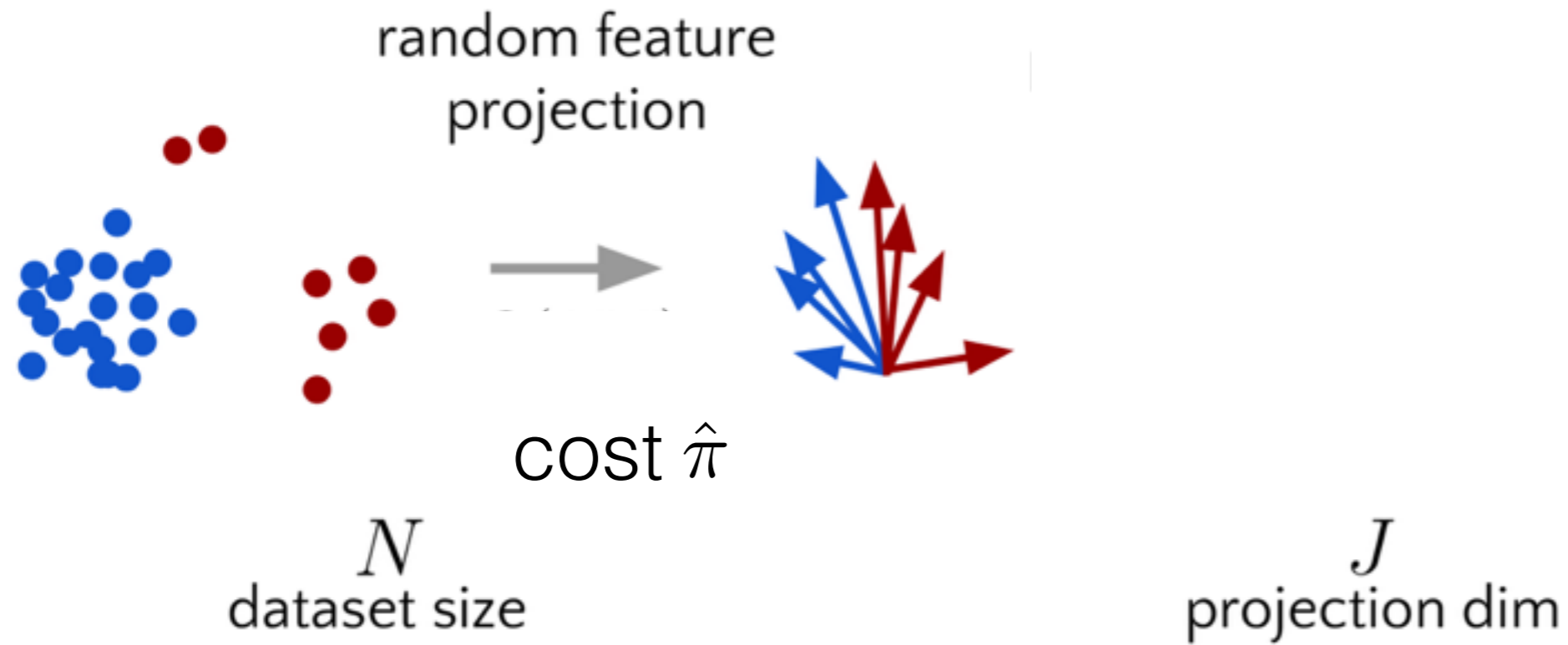


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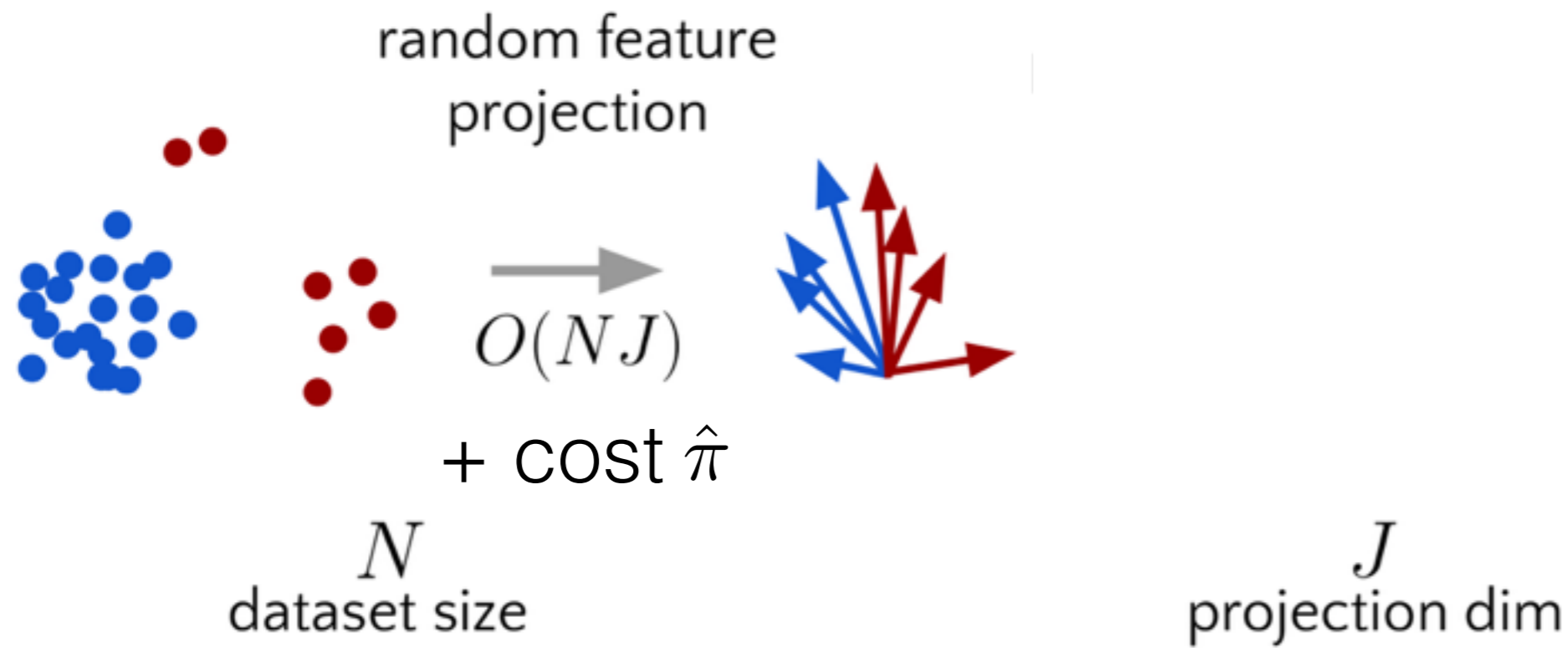
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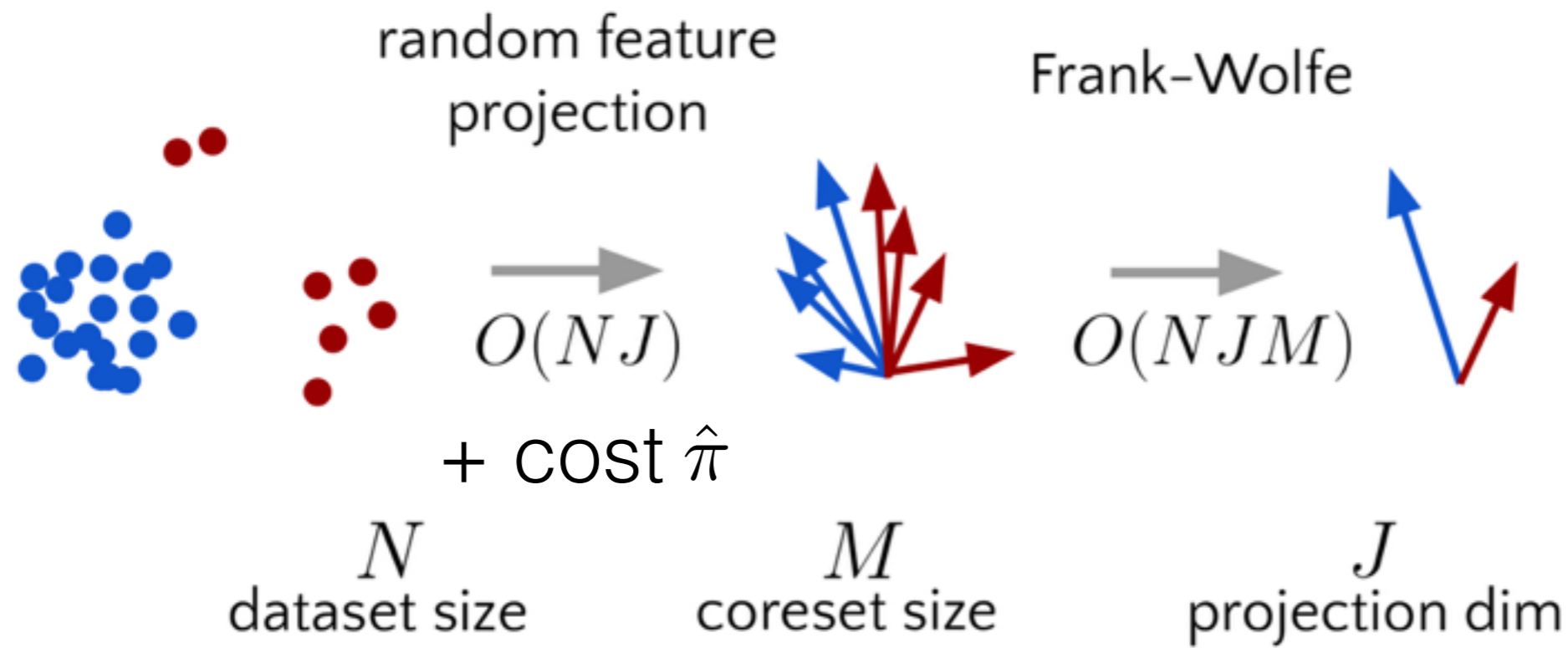
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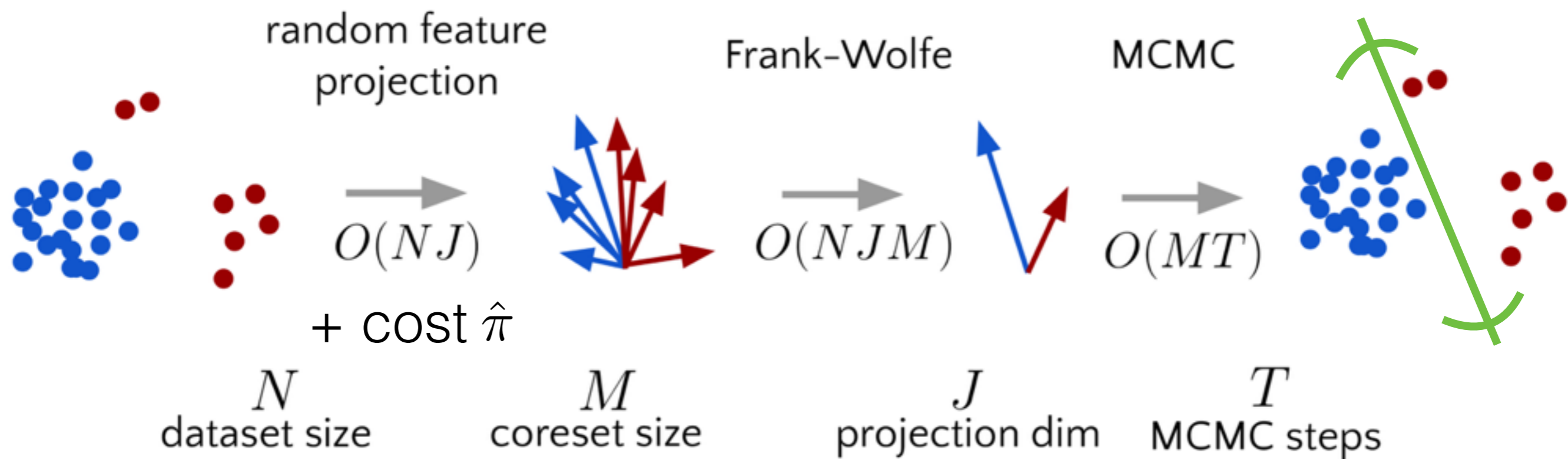
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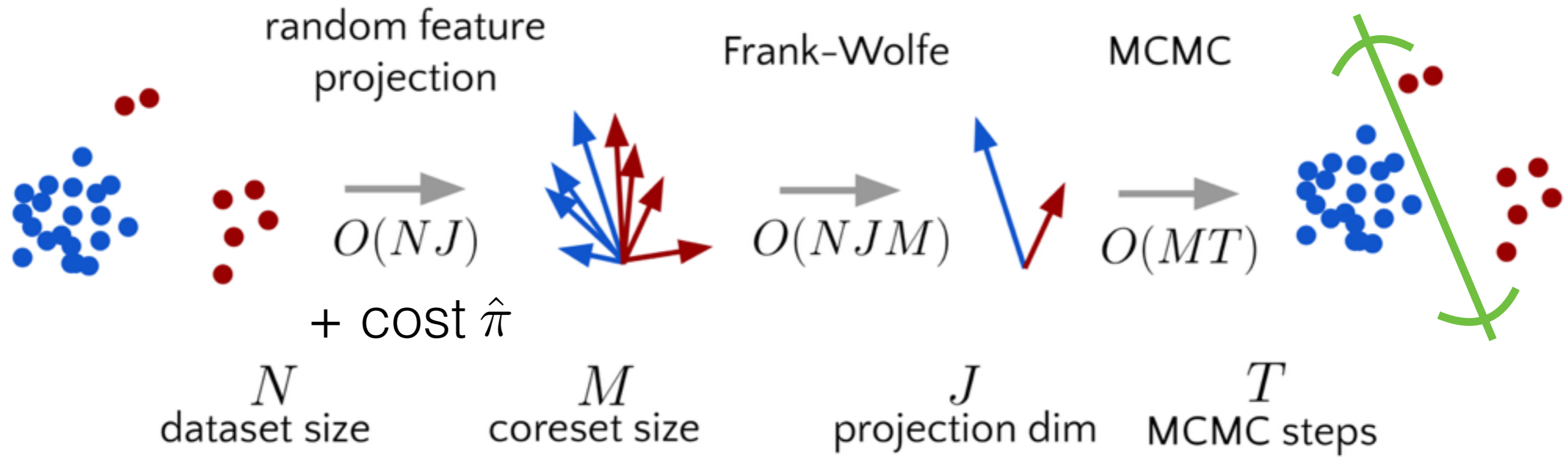
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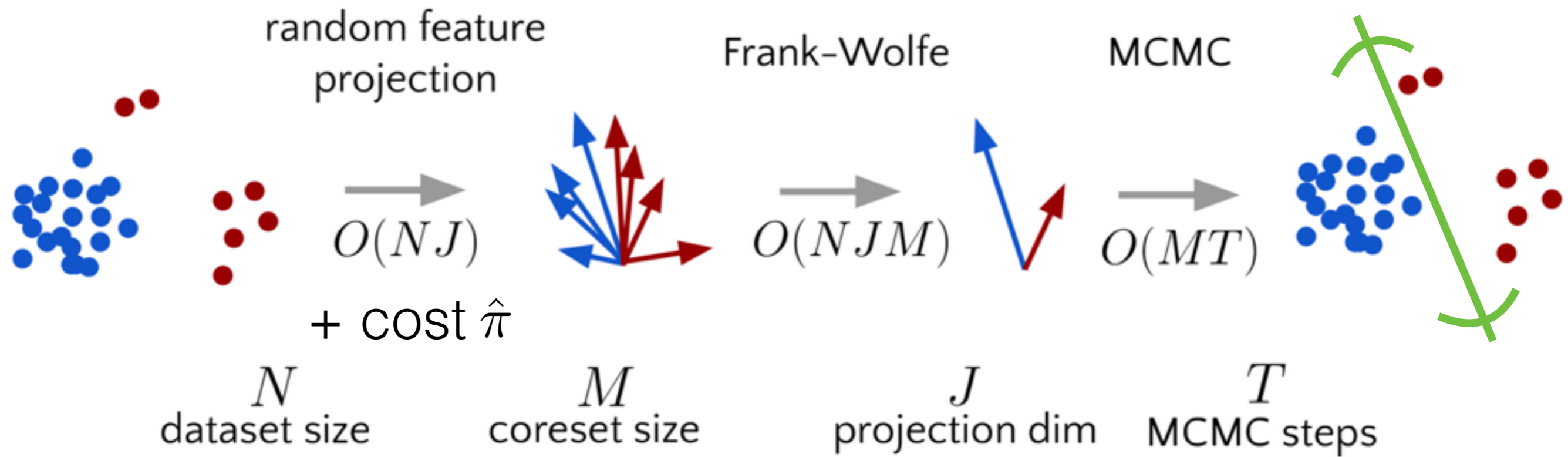


Full pipeline



- vs. $O(NT)$

Full pipeline



- vs. $O(NT)$
- Can make streaming, distributed