# An introduction to machine learning

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# Al vs. ML

What is the difference between artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML)?

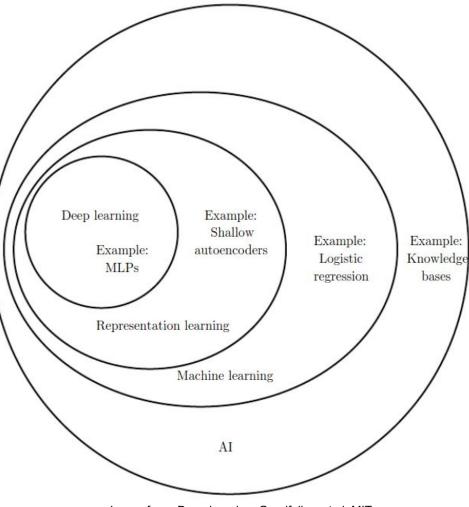


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# What is machine learning

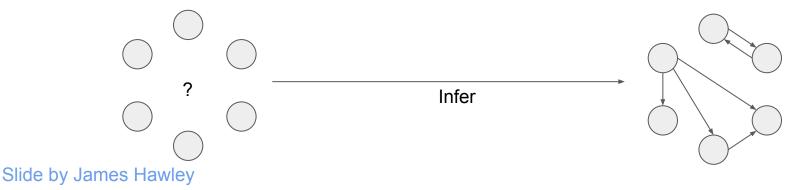
- Statistics and computer science tools to create models for problems of interest
- Learn from available data to create models

Machine learning as a statistical problem

Supervised

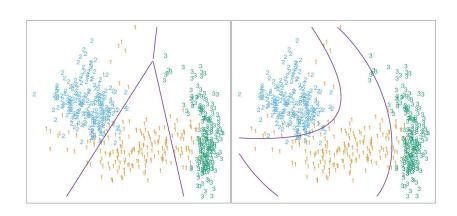
$$Y = f(X; eta) + \epsilon$$
 — Estimate  $\hat{Y} = \hat{f}(X; \hat{eta}) + \epsilon$ 

#### Unsupervised



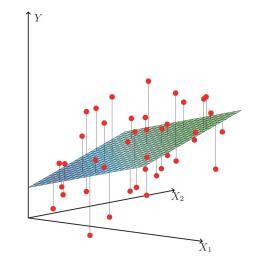
# Types of problems

#### Categorical



#### Hastie, Tibshirani, & Friedman. The Elements of Statistical Learning, 2009, pg 103.

#### Continuous

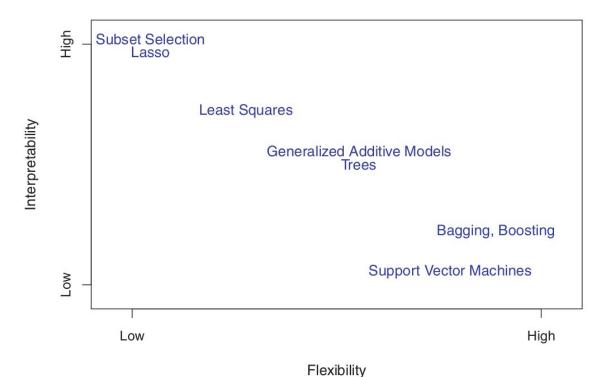


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# Examples of algorithms

|             | Supervised  | Unsupervised  |
|-------------|---|---|
| Categorical | Logistic regression<br>Linear discriminant analysis                                 | Nonnegative matrix factorization<br>k-means clustering<br>k-medioids clustering |
| Continuous  | Linear regression<br>Ridge regression<br>Lasso regression<br>Natural cubic splines  | Principal component analysis<br>Factor analysis                                 |
| Both        | Support vector machines<br>Neural networks<br>Random forest<br>k-nearest neighbours | Neural networks   |

#### Interpretability vs. flexibility



Hastie, Tibshirani, & Friedman. Introduction to Statistical Learning, 2018.

#### **Continuous: Linear regression**

$$Y = f(X) + \epsilon$$
  $f(X) = eta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p eta_i X_i$ 

Find estimates for  $\beta_{0,p}$  to minimize:

$$E[||Y-\hat{Y}||^2]$$

Subject to the following constraint:

 $\sum_{i=1}^p eta_i^2 \leq t$  Ridge $\sum_{i=1}^p |eta_i| \leq t$  Lasso

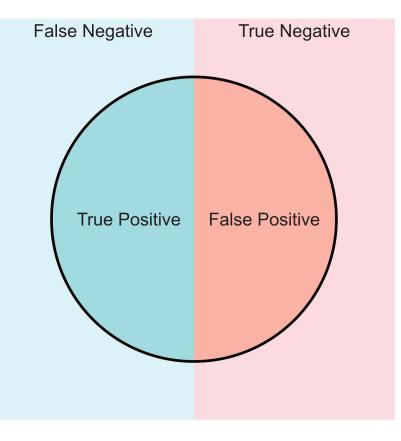
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Assessing models: regression

$$RMSE = \sqrt{E[(Y-\hat{Y})^2]}$$
 $NRMSE = rac{RMSE}{y_{max}-y_{min}}$  $CV = rac{RMSE}{ar{y}}$ 

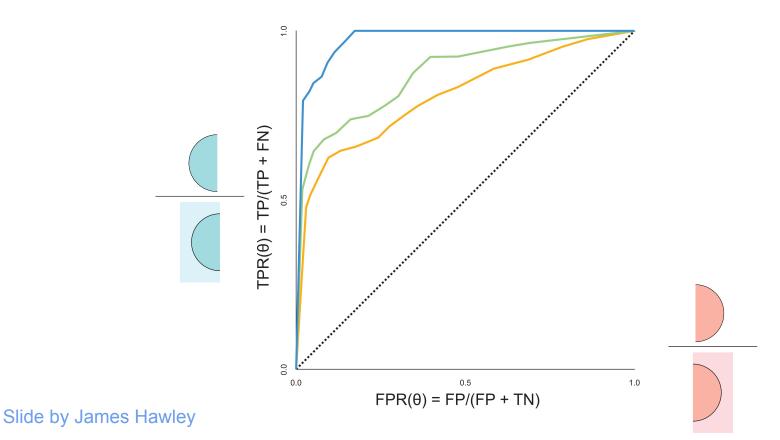
# Logistic regression

## Assessing models: classifiers

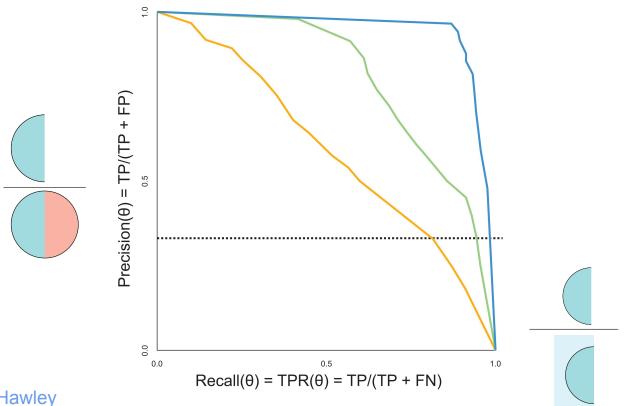


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#### Assessing models: Receiver-Operator Characteristic

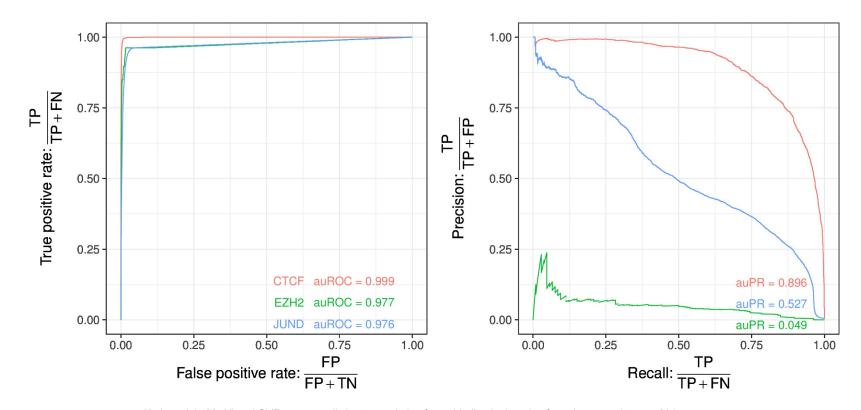


# Assessing models: Precision-Recall



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#### Use more than one metric for assessing performance



Karimzadeh, M., Virtual ChIP-seq – predicting transcription factor binding by learning from the transcriptome, 2017.

#### Parameter versus Hyperparameter

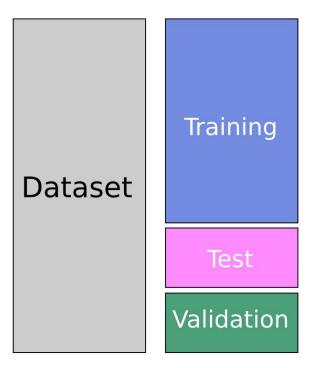
- We identify parameters of a model by optimization methods (e.g. least squares, maximum likelihood, gradient descent methods)
- Hyperparameters are user-defined (e.g. number of trees in random forest, number of clusters in k-means clustering, etc.)

# Machine learning: Inference vs. prediction?

- Inference means drawing conclusions about importance and dependency among independent variables from parameters of a model
- The higher the number of parameters, the harder the inference
- A model with higher parameters is generally better at decreasing mean squared error in training data
- Does a model with lower mean squared error always have a better prediction accuracy on unseen data?

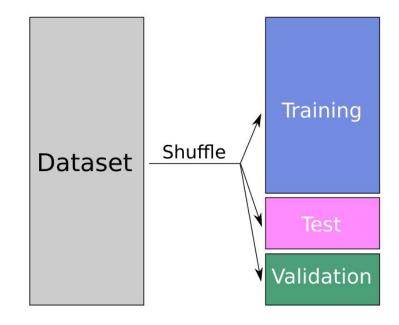
# Training, test, and validation sets

- Use the training set for parameter optimization
- Use the test set to evaluate hyperparameters and feature selection
- Use the Validation set for reporting performance



## Training, test, and validation sets

• Make sure training, test, and validation sets have similar statistical properties in both dependent and independent variables



# Machine learning checklist

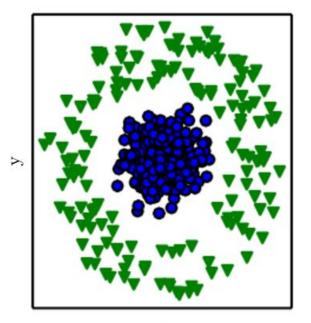
- Divide your dataset into training, test, and validation group
  - Fraction of data doesn't have to be equal, but ensure same properties (e.g. distribution, class imbalance, etc.)
- Hyperparameter == user defined parameter
  - Train with one set of hyperparameters, assess performance on test set, optimize
    - Examples: Grid search or Bayesian optimization
  - For classification problems, threshold is a hyperparameter
    - You can't optimize the threshold on validation group
- Validation dataset must be in a lock box, and cannot be used for:
  - Feature selection
  - Optimizing posterior probability cutoff
- Use multiple metrics with different qualities to assess performance of your model

# Neural networks

## What is an artificial neural network?

- Instead of  $x \rightarrow y, x \rightarrow h_1 \rightarrow h_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow y$
- Hidden layers can have smaller or larger dimensions than *x*
- More parameters to optimize
  - Requiring larger sample size to achieve same training error
  - Easy to overfit; proper design of training, validation, and test data

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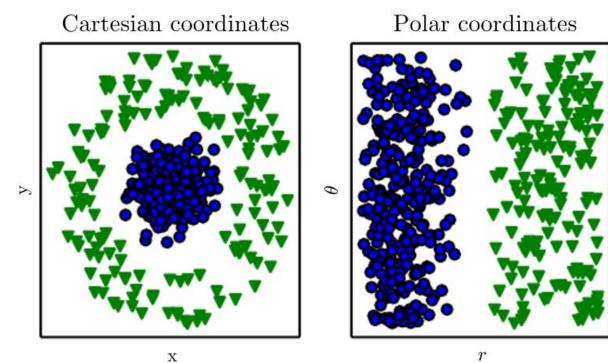


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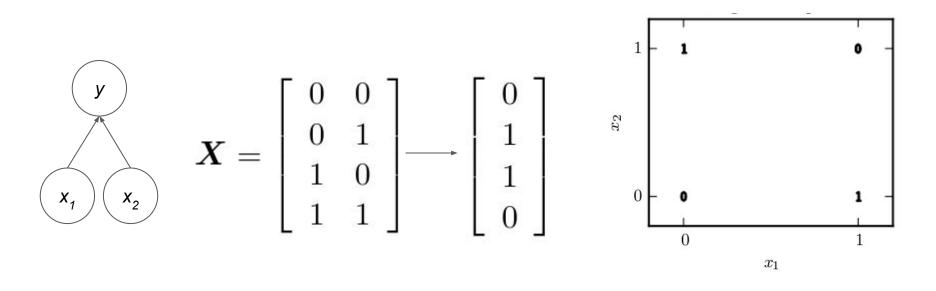
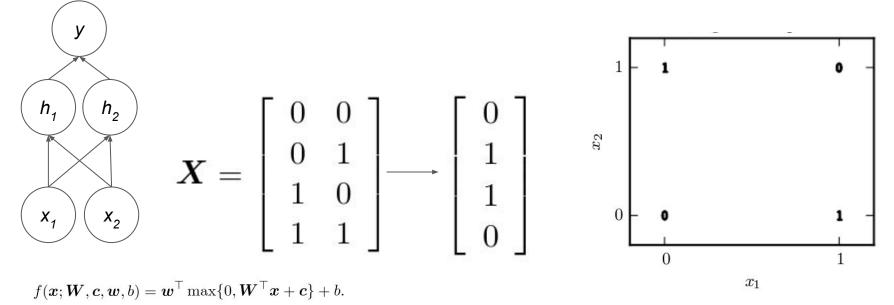
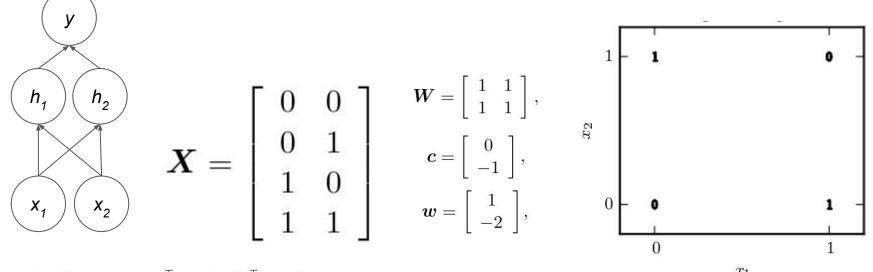


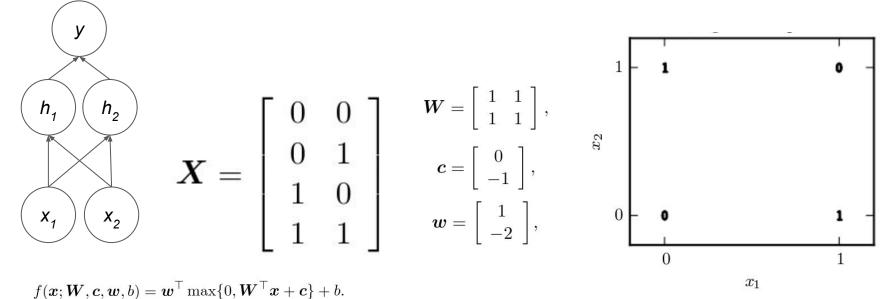
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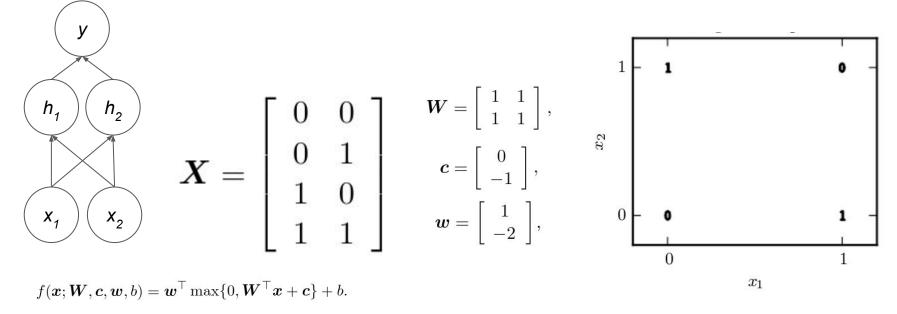
 $f(\boldsymbol{x}; \boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{c}, \boldsymbol{w}, b) = \boldsymbol{w}^{\top} \max\{0, \boldsymbol{W}^{\top} \boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{c}\} + b.$ 

 $x_1$ 



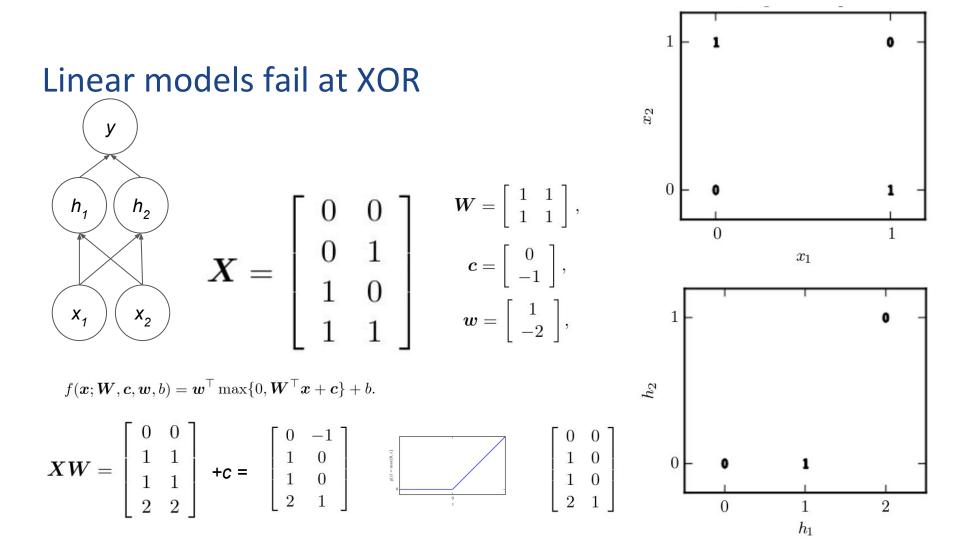
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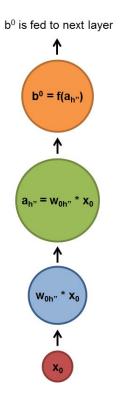
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# Different types of neural networks

- Unsupervised
  - Restricted Boltzmann machines
    - No connection among features or hidden units, only between features and hidden units
    - Used for feature representation to supervised algorithms
- Supervised
  - Multi-layer perceptron fully connected
  - Convolutional neural network
  - Recurrent neural network

#### **Recurrent neural networks**



Gif from https://deeplearning4j.org/lstm.html

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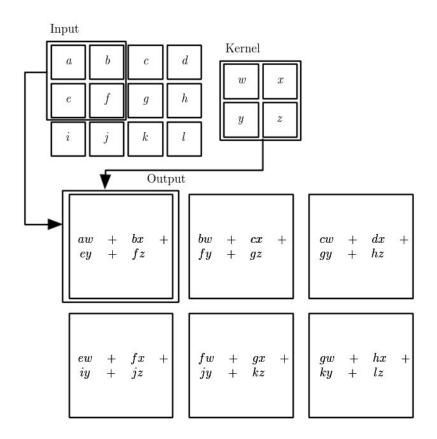
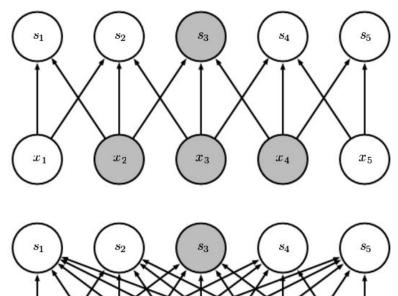
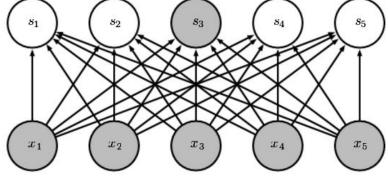


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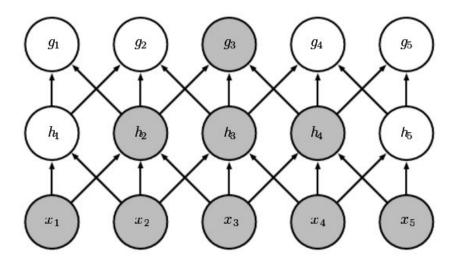
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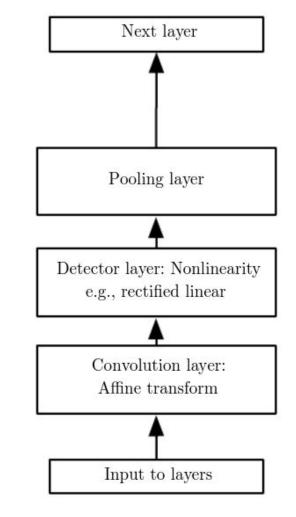
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- Followed by a detection layer and pooling



#### Example in image recognition

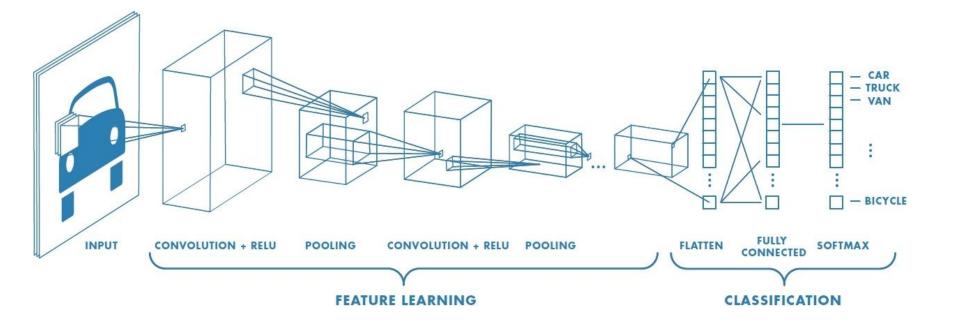
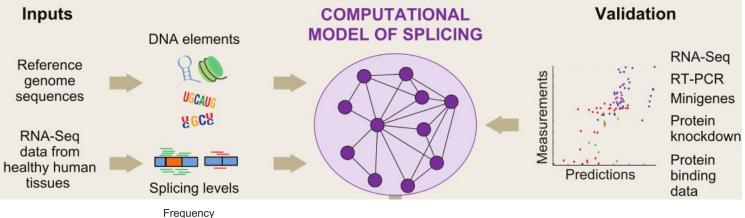
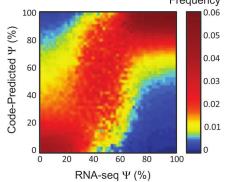


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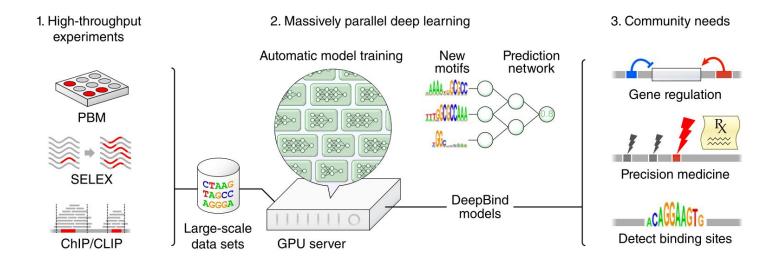
#### Ensemble of neural networks discovered the splicing code





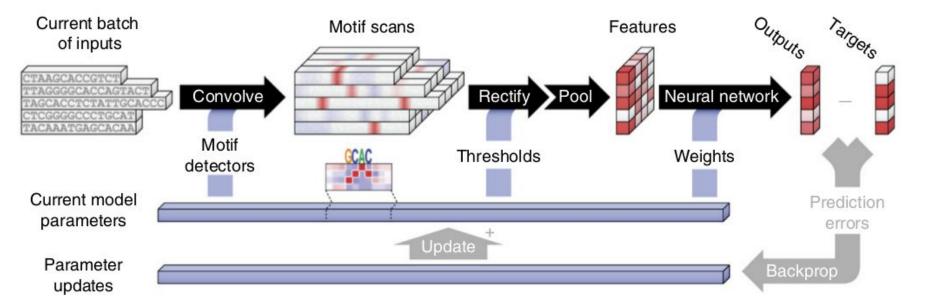
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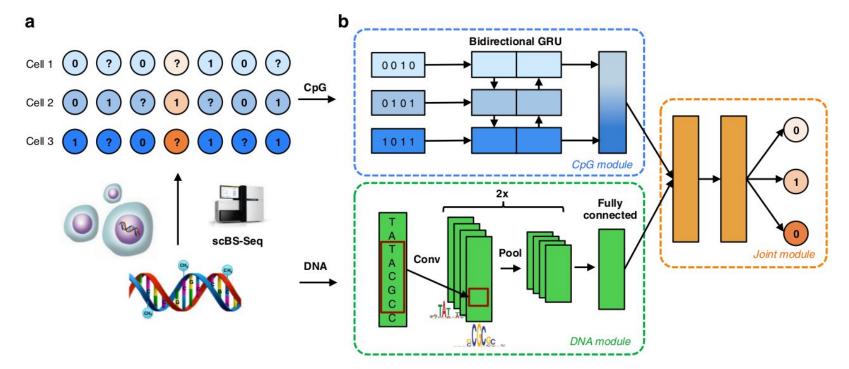
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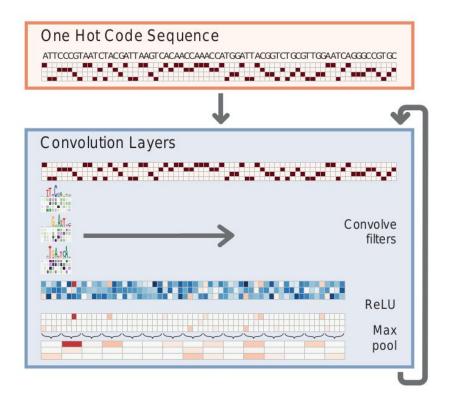


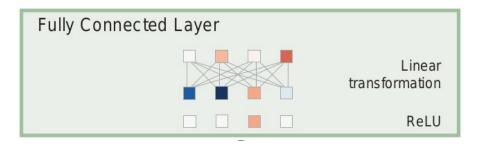
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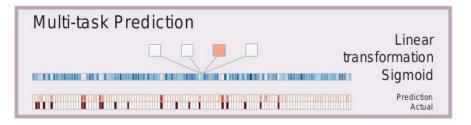
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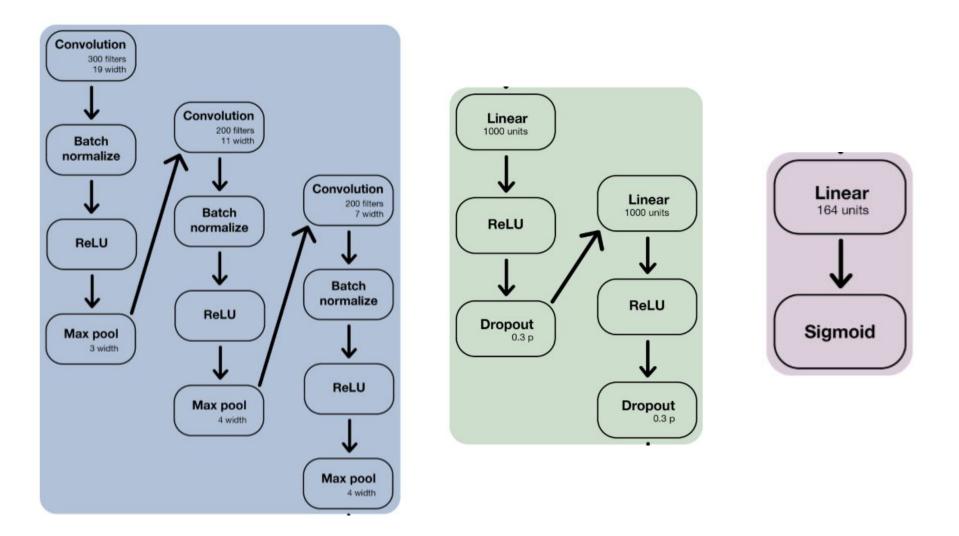
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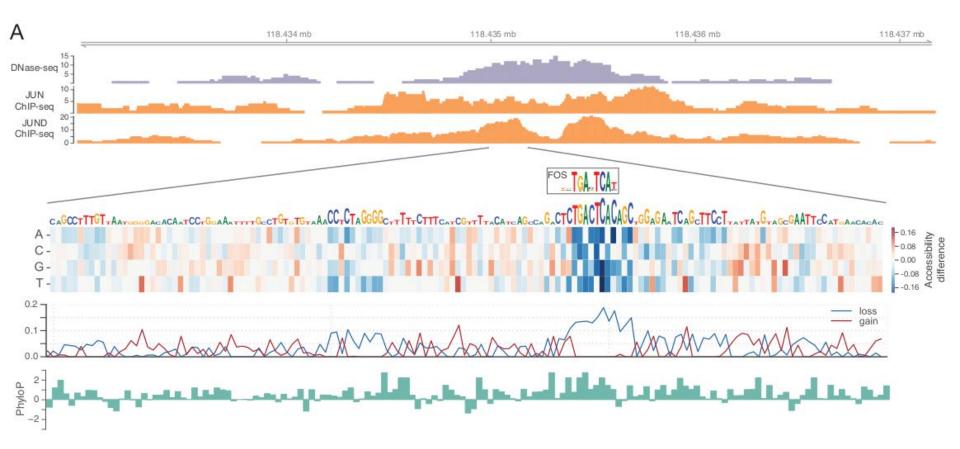






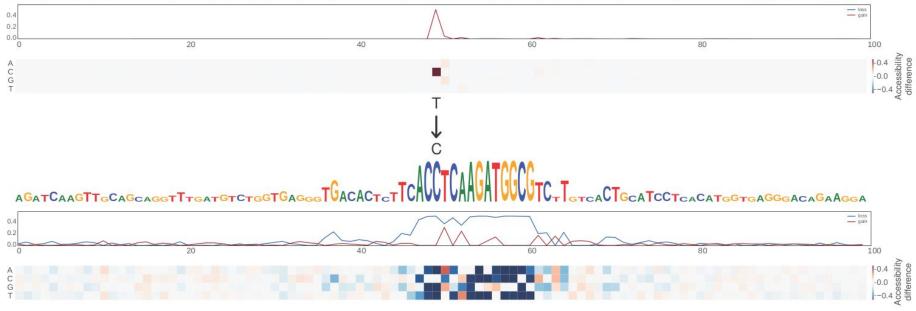


# In silico mutation analysis reveals TFBS





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# Questions?