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Discussion 15: Intro to Classification

What is Classification?

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"Assigning objects to one of several predefined categories."

Why Classify?

To predict the class of an unlabeled data object.

To explain or describe the elements that distinguish a category.

Example: Mammals

Example: Weather

Example: Tic-Tac-Toe

Classification Labels Are Discrete

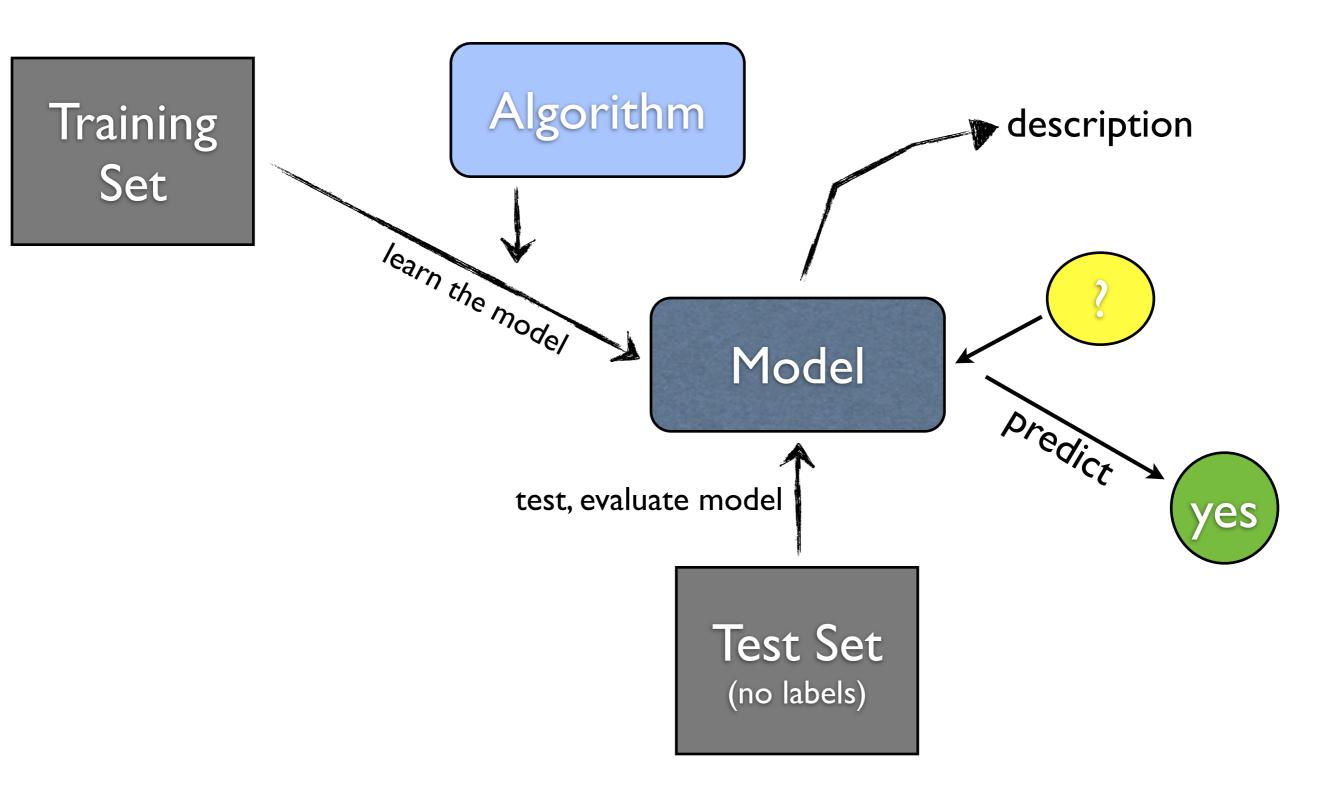
(this isn't regression analysis)

Classification

"The task of learning a target function **f** that maps each attribute set **x** to one of the predefined class labels **y**."

"classification model"

General Approach



General Evaluation

Predicted

	class=I	class=0
class=I	fu	f _{IO}
class=0	foi	f ₀₀

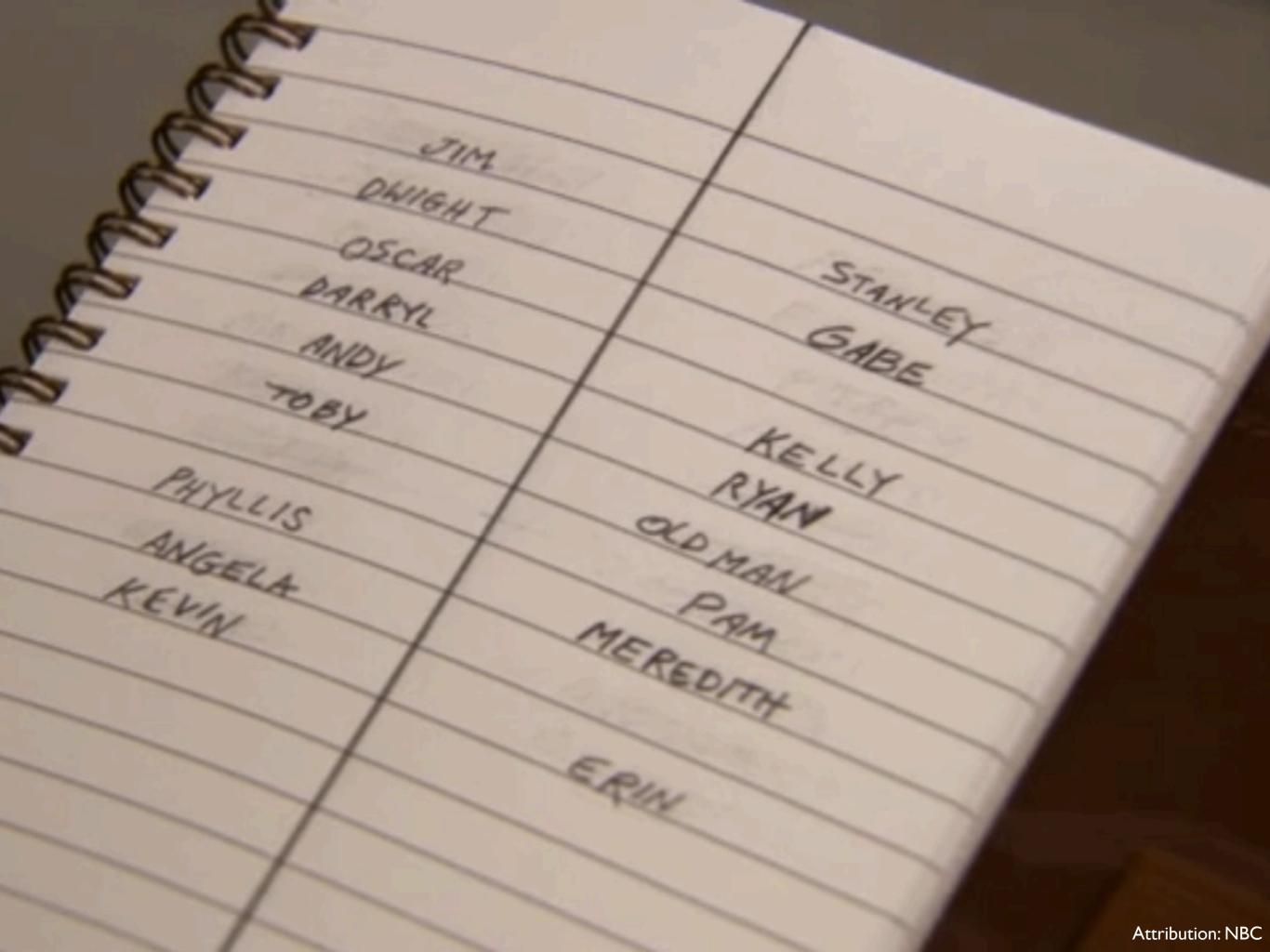
Accuracy?

(Error rate is similar)

correct predictions
total predictions

$$\frac{f_{11} + f_{00}}{f_{11} + f_{10} + f_{00} + f_{01}}$$

Actual



Homework

- Reading I2 (DM ch 4)
- Finish project 15