

CMPT727

CMPT 727: Statistical Machine Learning
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Why this course?

What you will get out of this course

After you complete this course, you will be able to:

- Design and implement statistical machine learning techniques including: probabilistic graphical models, discrete and continuous distributions, maximum likelihood estimation, EM algorithm inference, sampling-based inference methods MCMC, variational inference.
- Understand concepts such as: overfitting, bias-variance tradeoff, likelihood, regularization.
- Choose between machine learning methods and foresee which will perform best.
- Understand what aspects of a given task influence machine learning performance.

Who should take this course?

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Tong	Bin	tongbint	North
Verma	Chhavi	chhaviv	South
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Xie	Yi	yxa106	Back
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Zhou	Ke (Jack)	chowkec	South

Let's see who you really are.

Data Science



Statistics



Types of machine learning problem

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$$

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D features (attributes)				
N cases	Color	Shape	Size (cm)	Label
	Blue	Square	10	1
	Red	Ellipse	2.4	1
	Red	Ellipse	20.7	0

Probabilistic predictions

$$P(y|\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{D})$$

$$P(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{D})$$

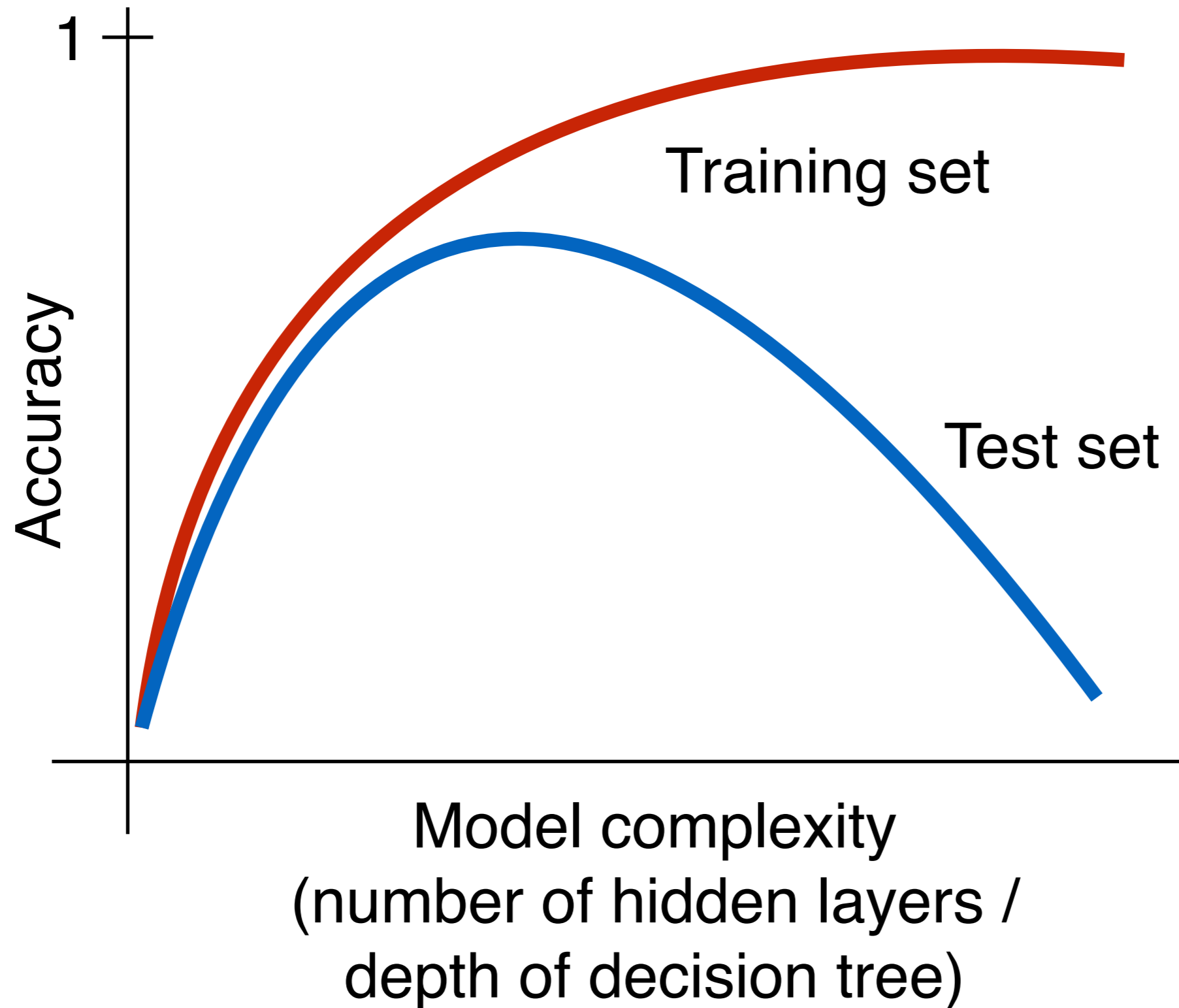
Applications of machine learning

What type of ML should you use for each of these goals?

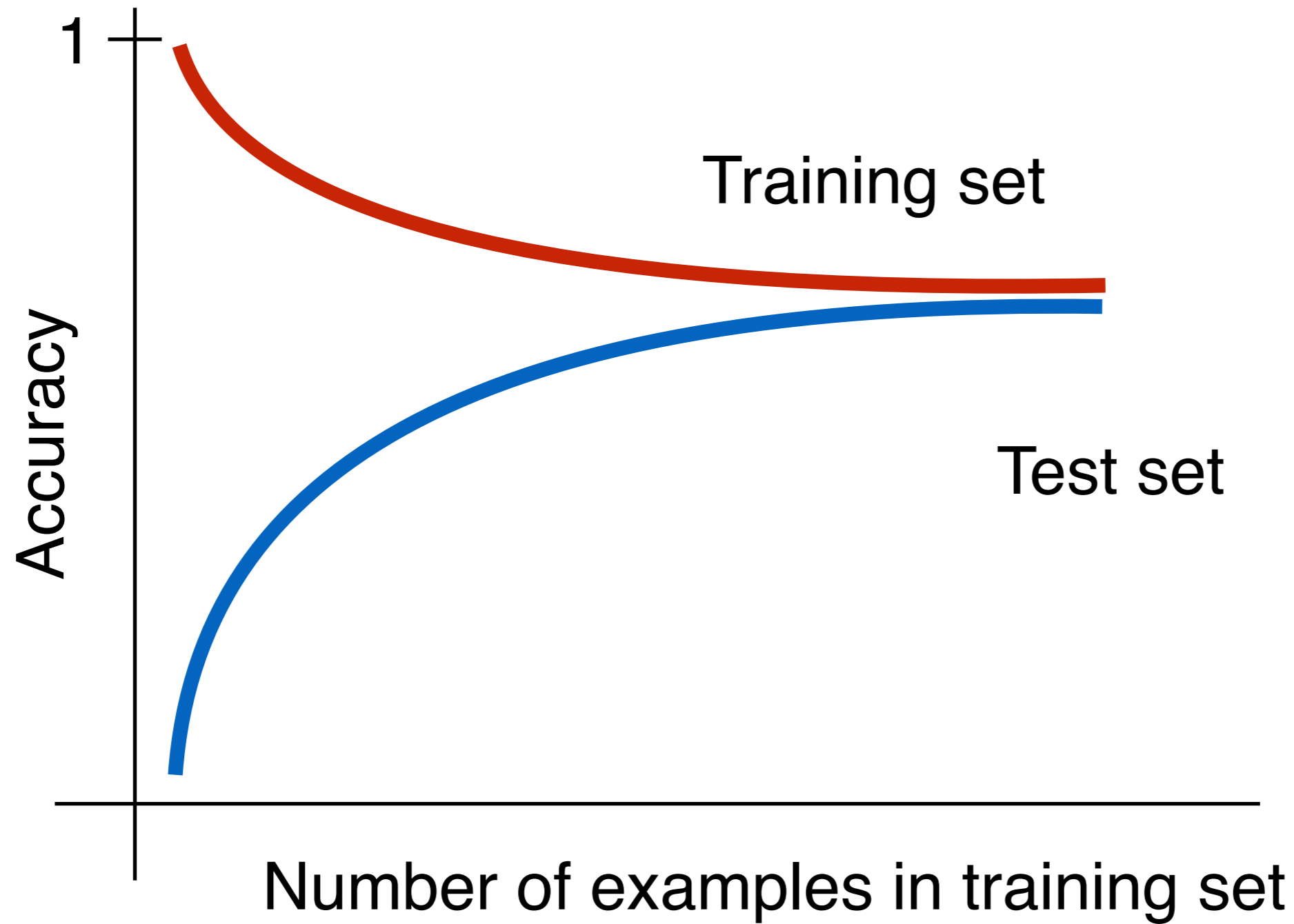
1. Playing chess
2. Sorting emails
3. Self-driving car
4. Diagnosing disease
5. Interacting with a smart speaker

A supervised machine learning project

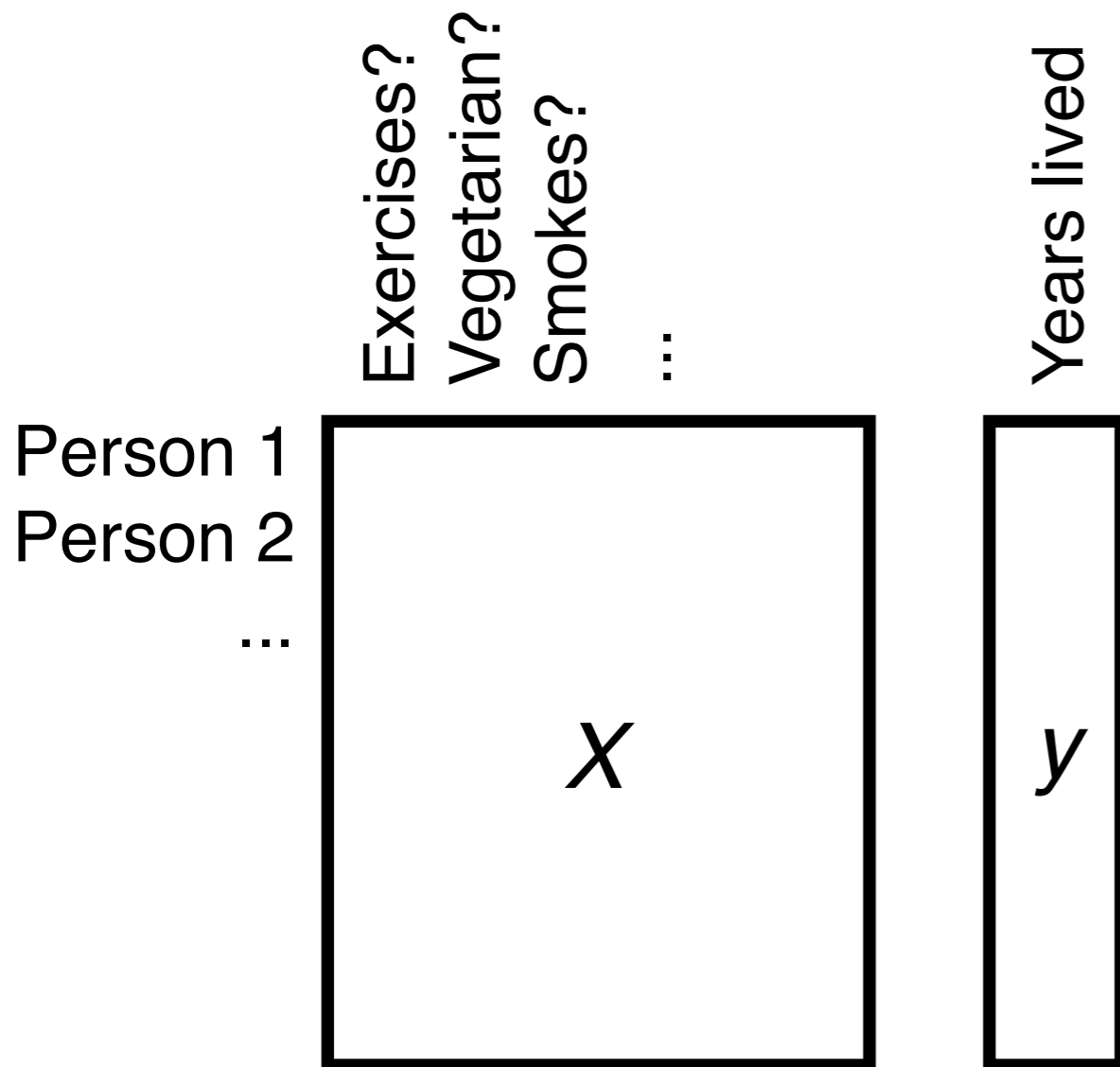
Measuring performance



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Problem: making our own linear regression algorithm



$$y_i \approx w^T x_i = \sum_{j=1}^D w_j x_{i,j}$$
$$\text{minimize}_w \sum_{i=1}^N (w^T x_i - y_i)^2$$

Gradient descent

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Problem: making our own linear regression algorithm

Goal: Design an algorithm for learning a linear regression model using (batch) gradient descent. Write your answer in pseudocode.

Challenge problem #1: Find the optimal solution in one step.

Challenge problem #2: Design an algorithm for logistic regression using the objective