

A Brief Introduction on Machine Learning

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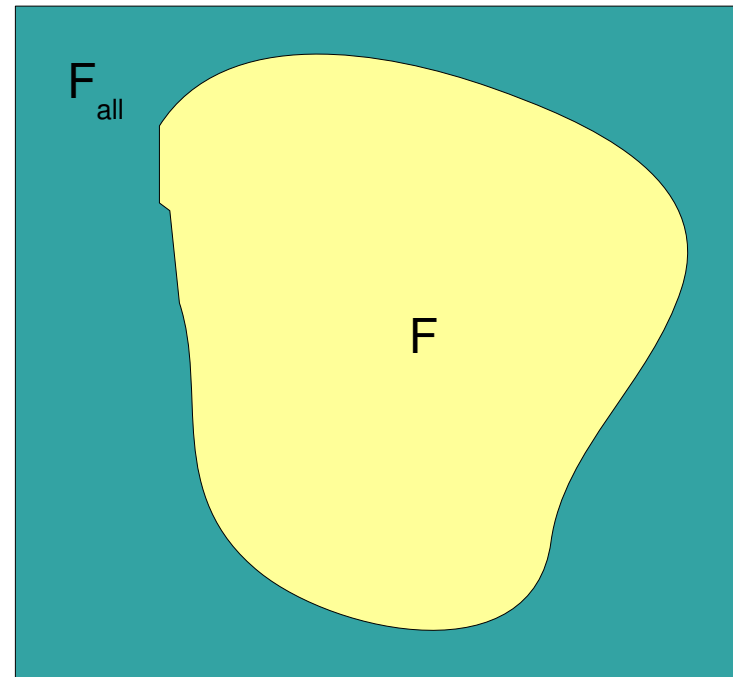
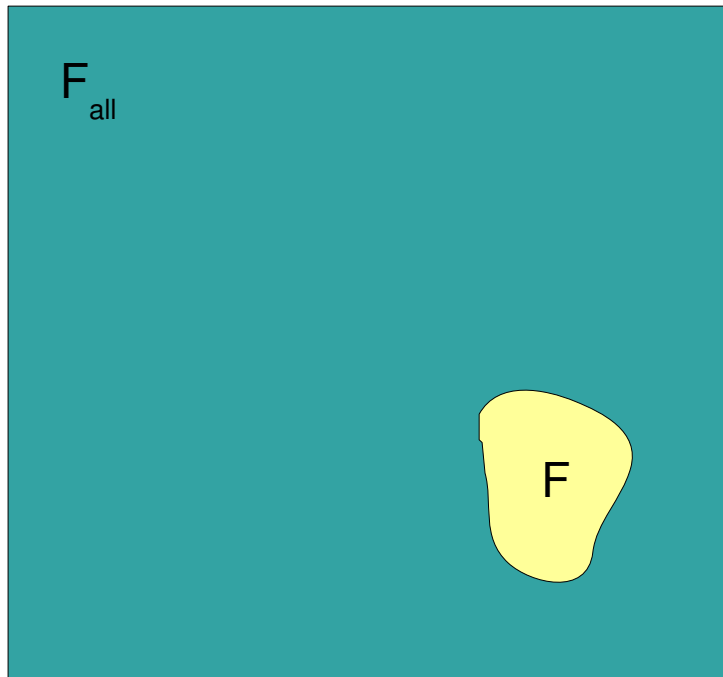
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Two main types of learning

- Supervised:
 - Training examples must have class labels
 - Data distribution is assumed to be fixed
 - Relies on the Statistical Learning Theory
 - Classification-oriented
- Unsupervised:
 - Training examples without class labels
 - Attempts to find some data structure according to the input space
 - Little formal frameworks to rely on

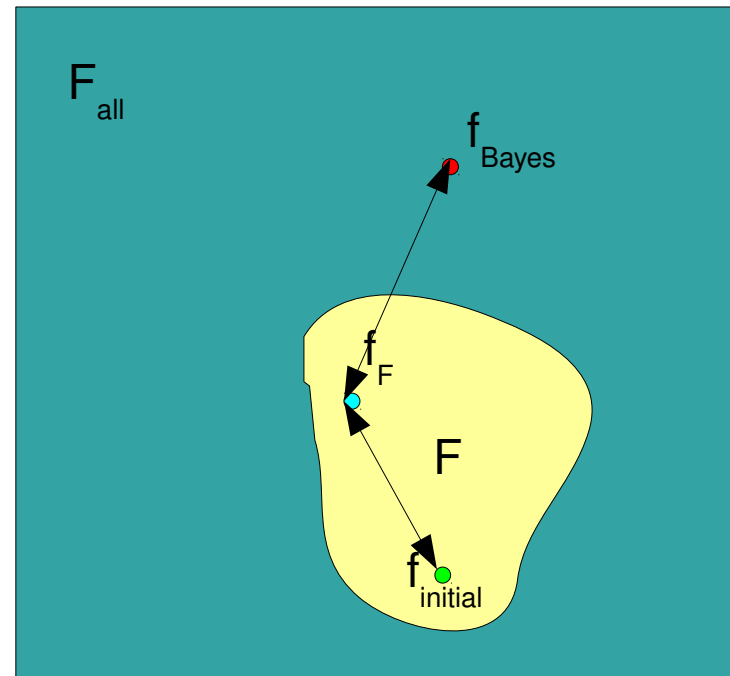
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- The dichotomy associated to the Bias-Variance Dilemma



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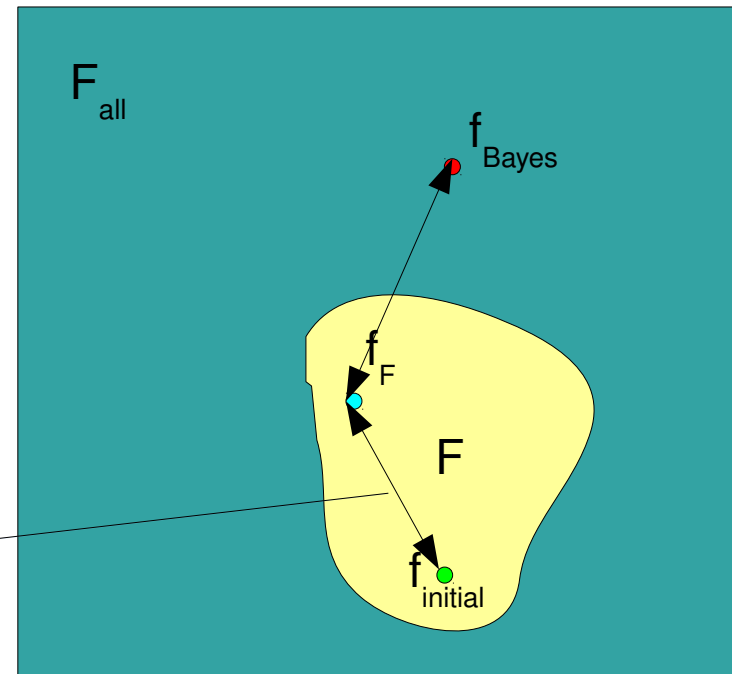
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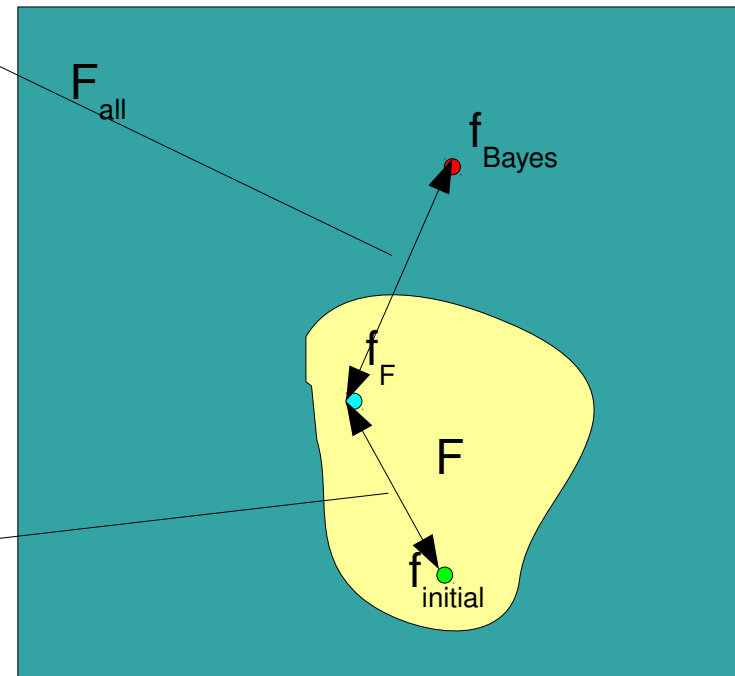


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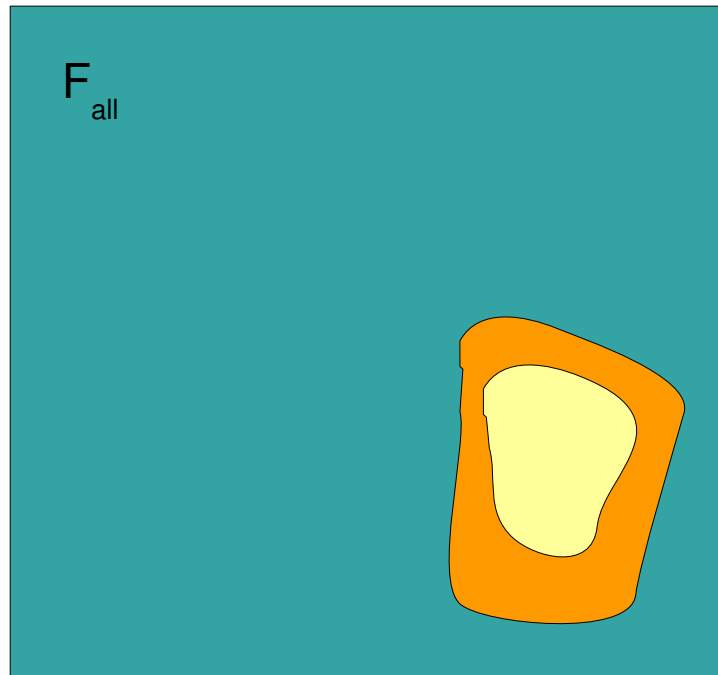
**Approximation error:
how far the best
solution in F is
from the best classifier at all**

**Estimation error:
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- Biases of different algorithms:
 - Either for supervised or unsupervised algorithms



Important subjects

- Algebra
- Calculus
- Statistical inference
- Probability
- Others:
 - Topology
 - Measure Theory
 - Biology

Let's see a little on some algorithms

- Supervised
 - Perceptron
 - Multilayer Perceptron
 - K-Nearest Neighbors
 - Distance-Weighted Nearest Neighbors
 - Naive Bayes
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