

Machine Learning for Healthcare

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Lecture 5: Risk stratification (continued)

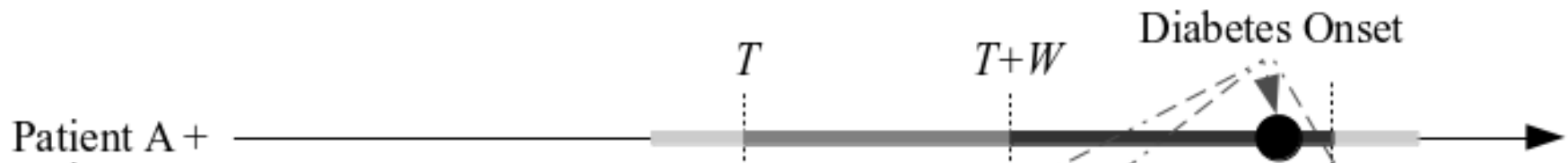
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Where do the labels come from?

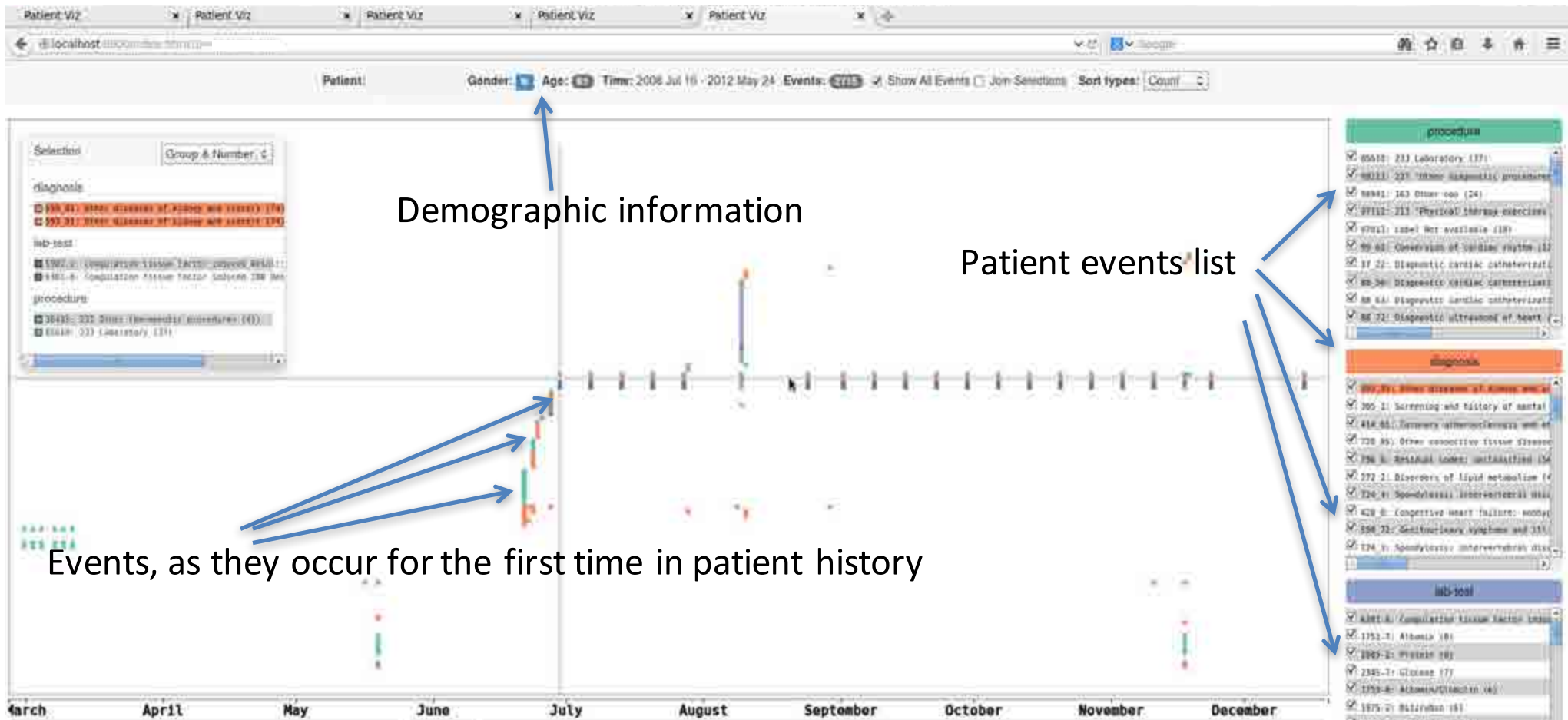


Typical pipeline:

1. Manually label several patients' data by "chart review"
2. A) Come up with a simple rule to automatically derive label for all patients, **or**
B) Use machine learning to get the labels themselves

Step 1:

Visualization of individual patient data is an important part of chart review



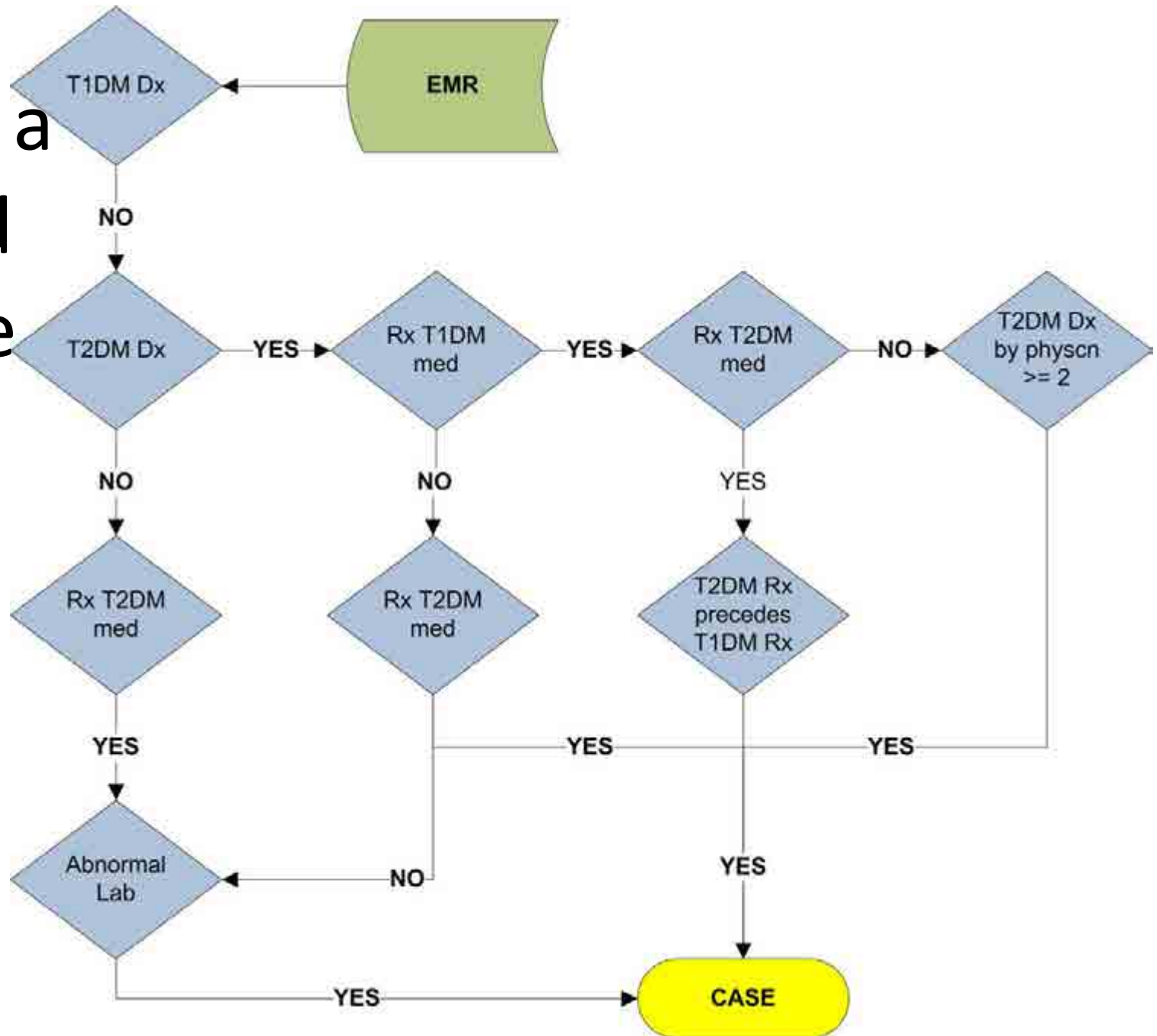
<https://github.com/nyuvis/patient-viz>

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Figure 1: Algorithm for identifying T2DM cases in the EMR.

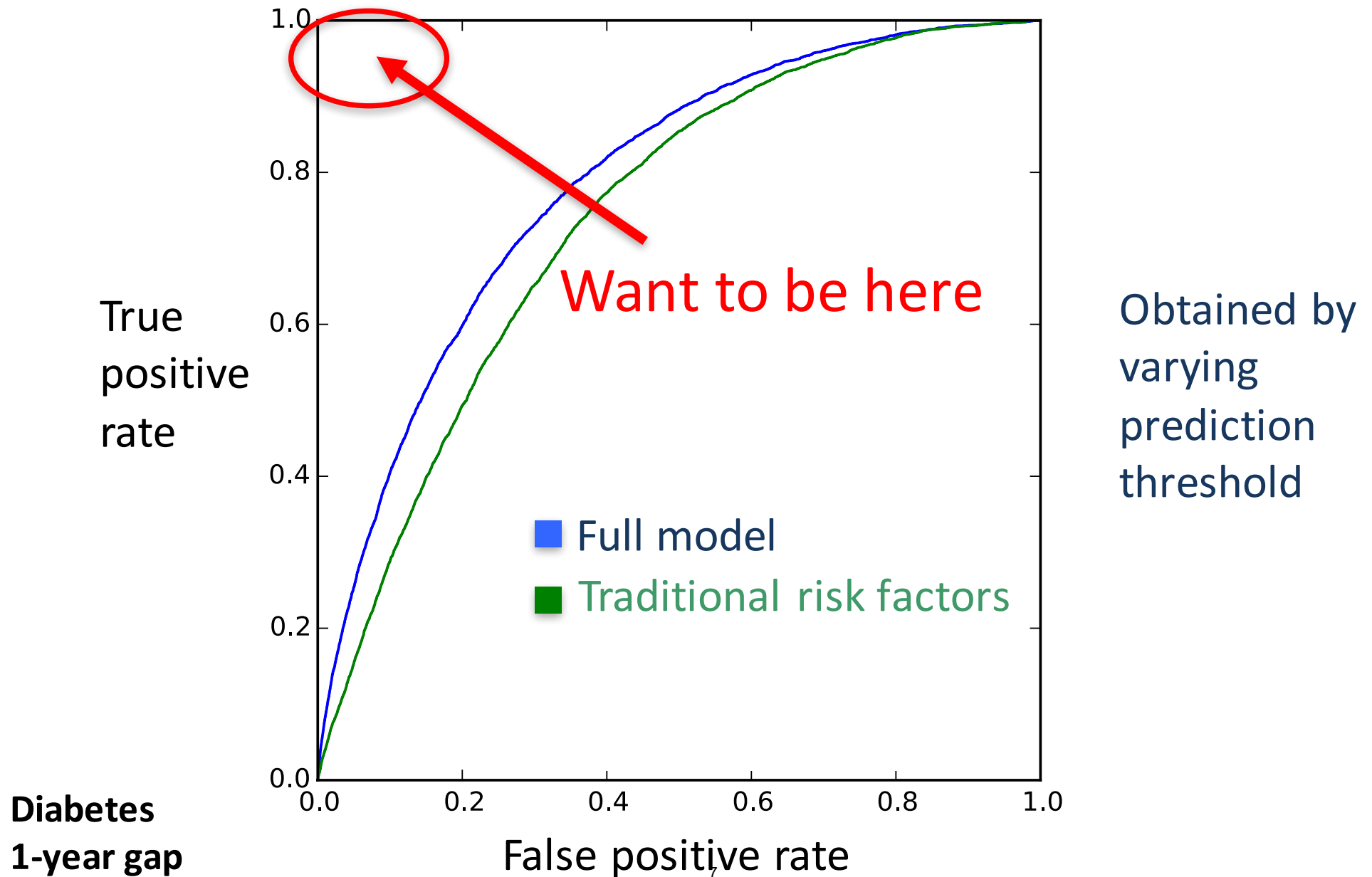
Step 2:
Example of a
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phenotype



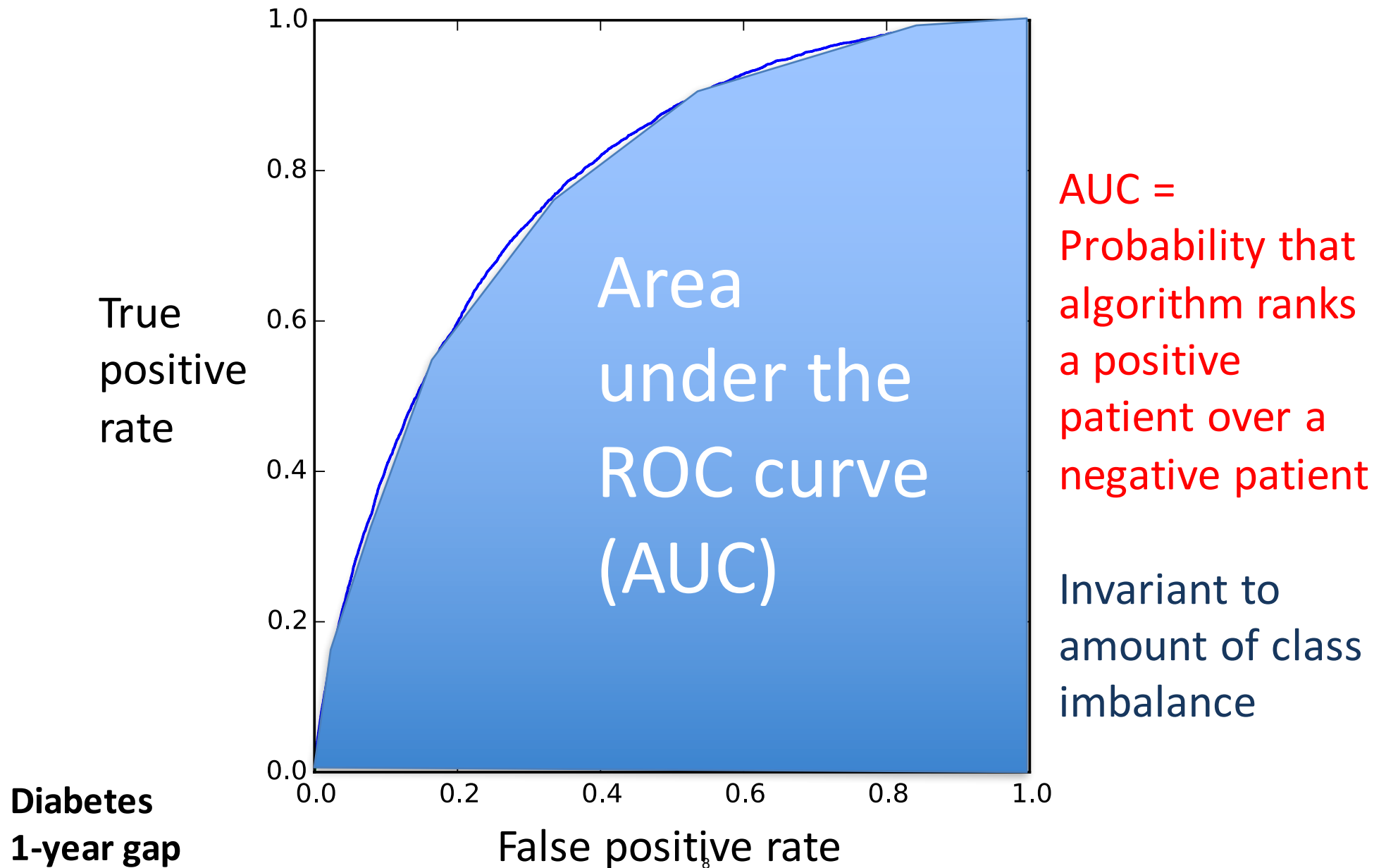
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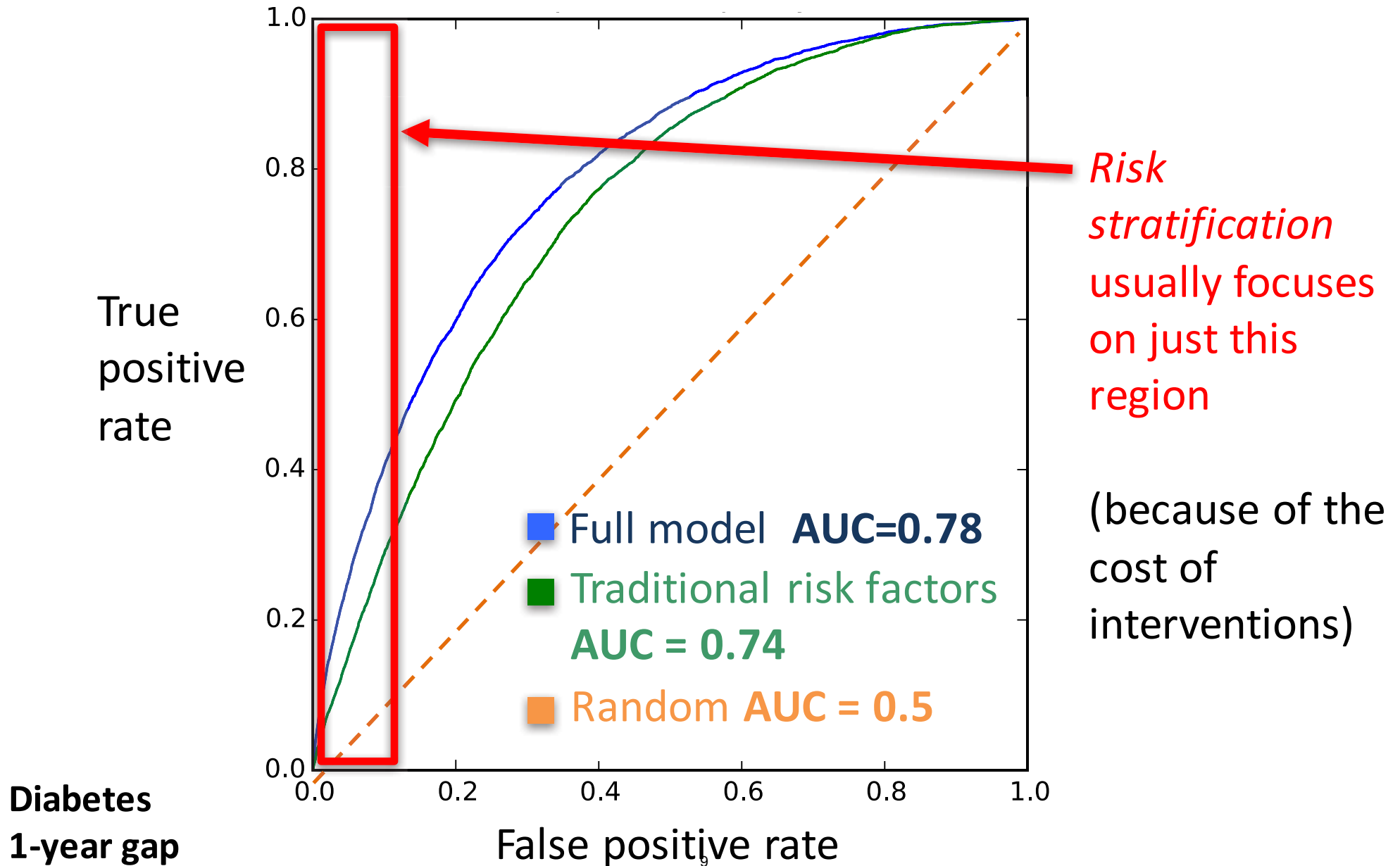
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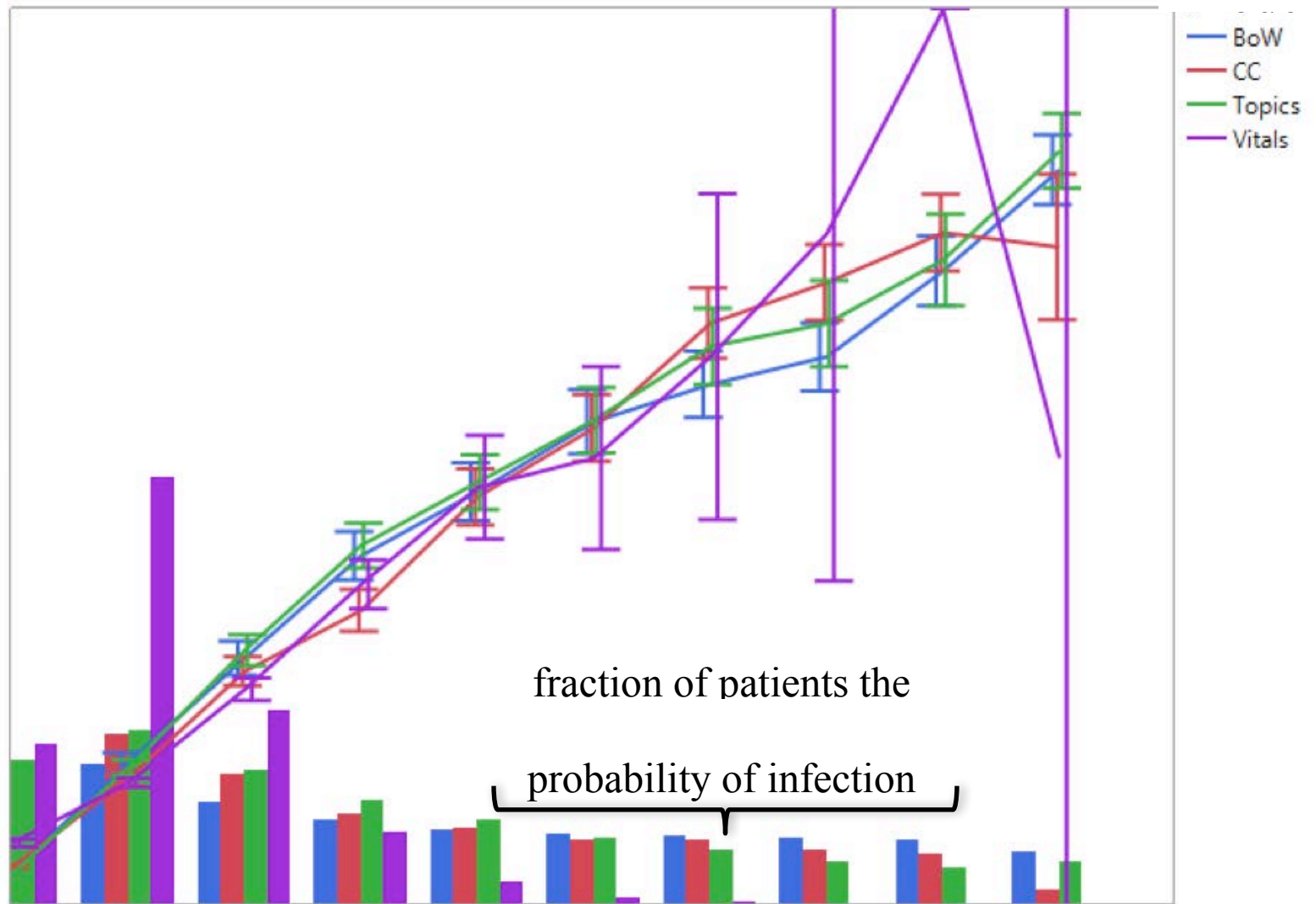


Receiver-operator characteristic curve



Calibration (*note: different dataset*)

Actual
Probability

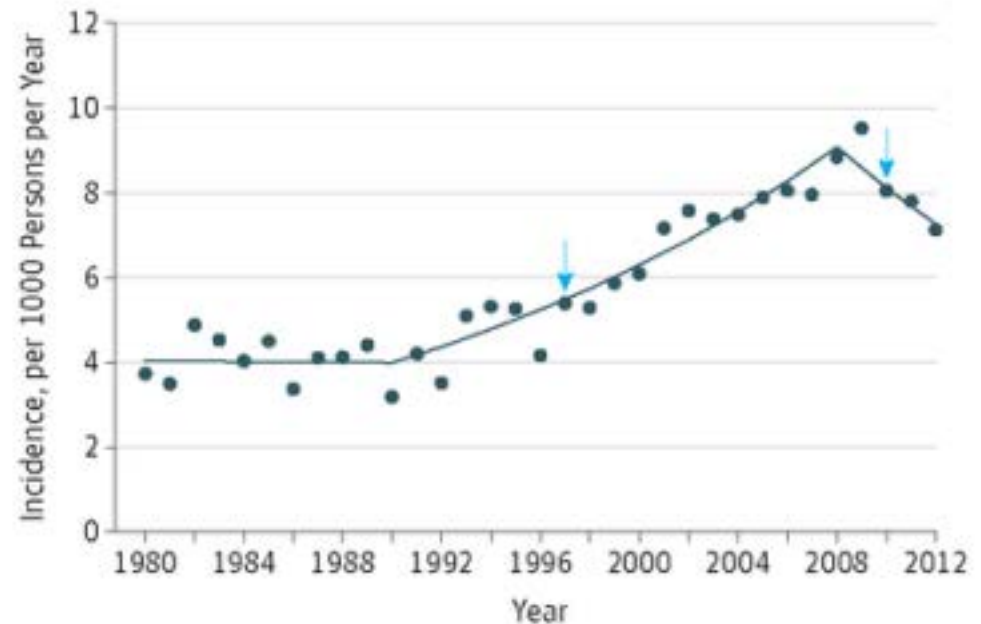
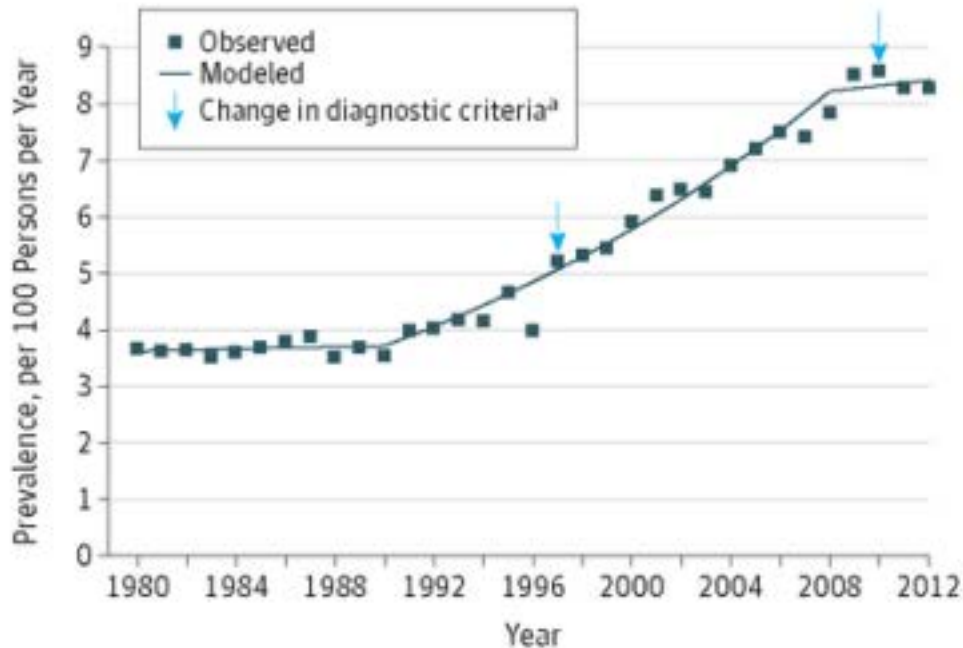


Predicting
infection in the ER

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Non-stationarity: *Diabetes Onset After 2009*

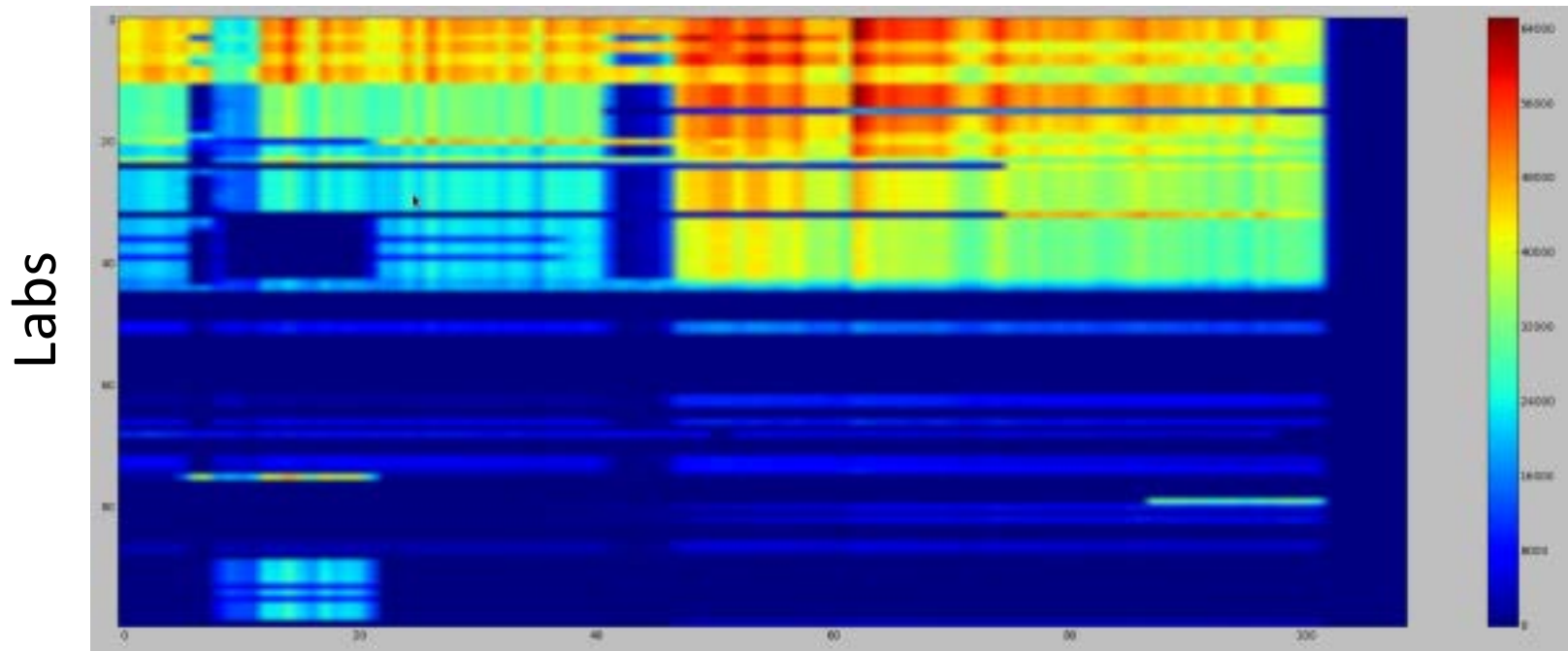


→ Automatically derived labels may change meaning

[Geiss LS, Wang J, Cheng YJ, et al. Prevalence and Incidence Trends for Diagnosed Diabetes Among Adults Aged 20 to 79 Years, United States, 1980-2012. JAMA, 2014.]

Non-stationarity:

Top 100 lab measurements over time



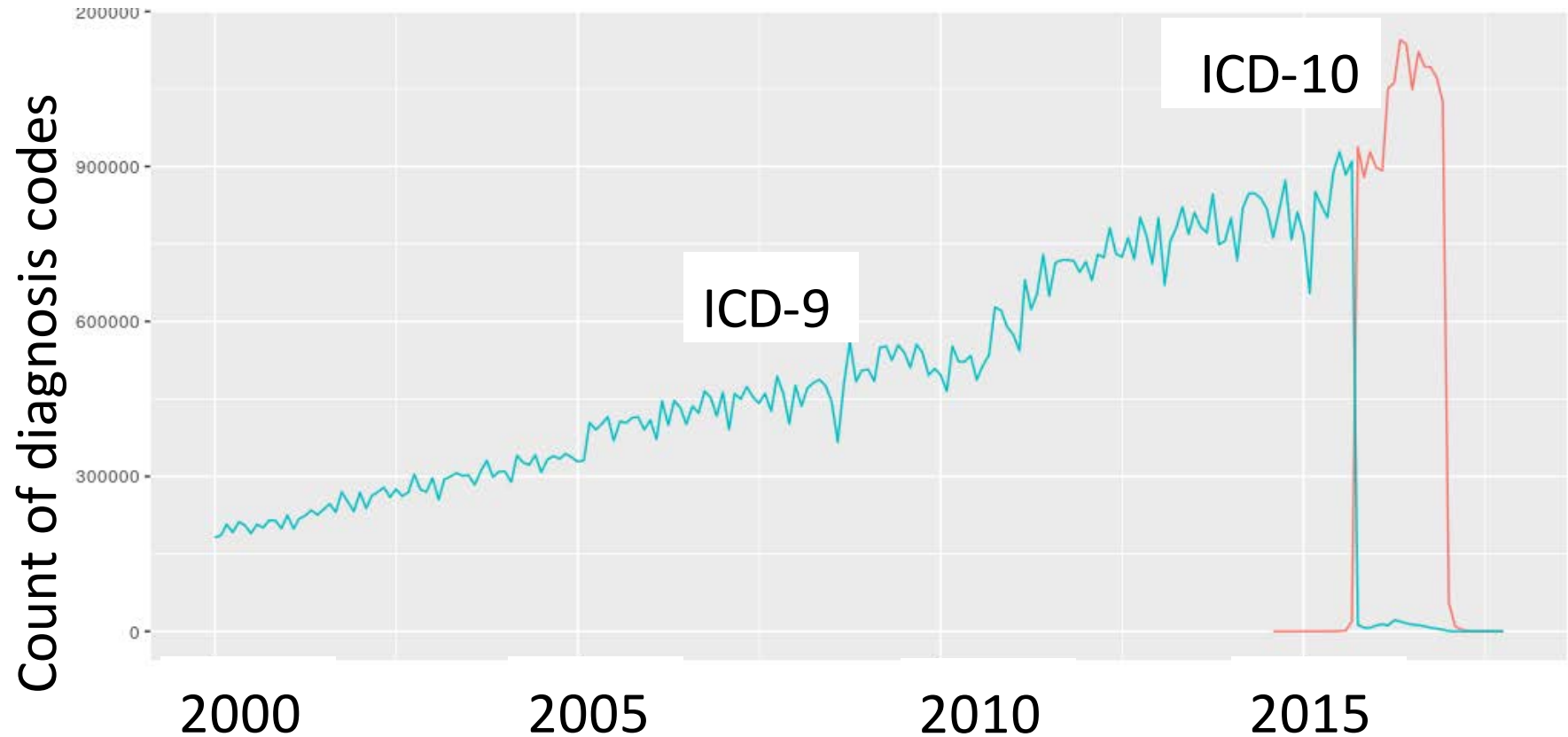
Time (in months, from 1/2005 up to 1/2014)

→ Significance of features may change over time

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Non-stationarity: *ICD-9 to ICD-10 shift*

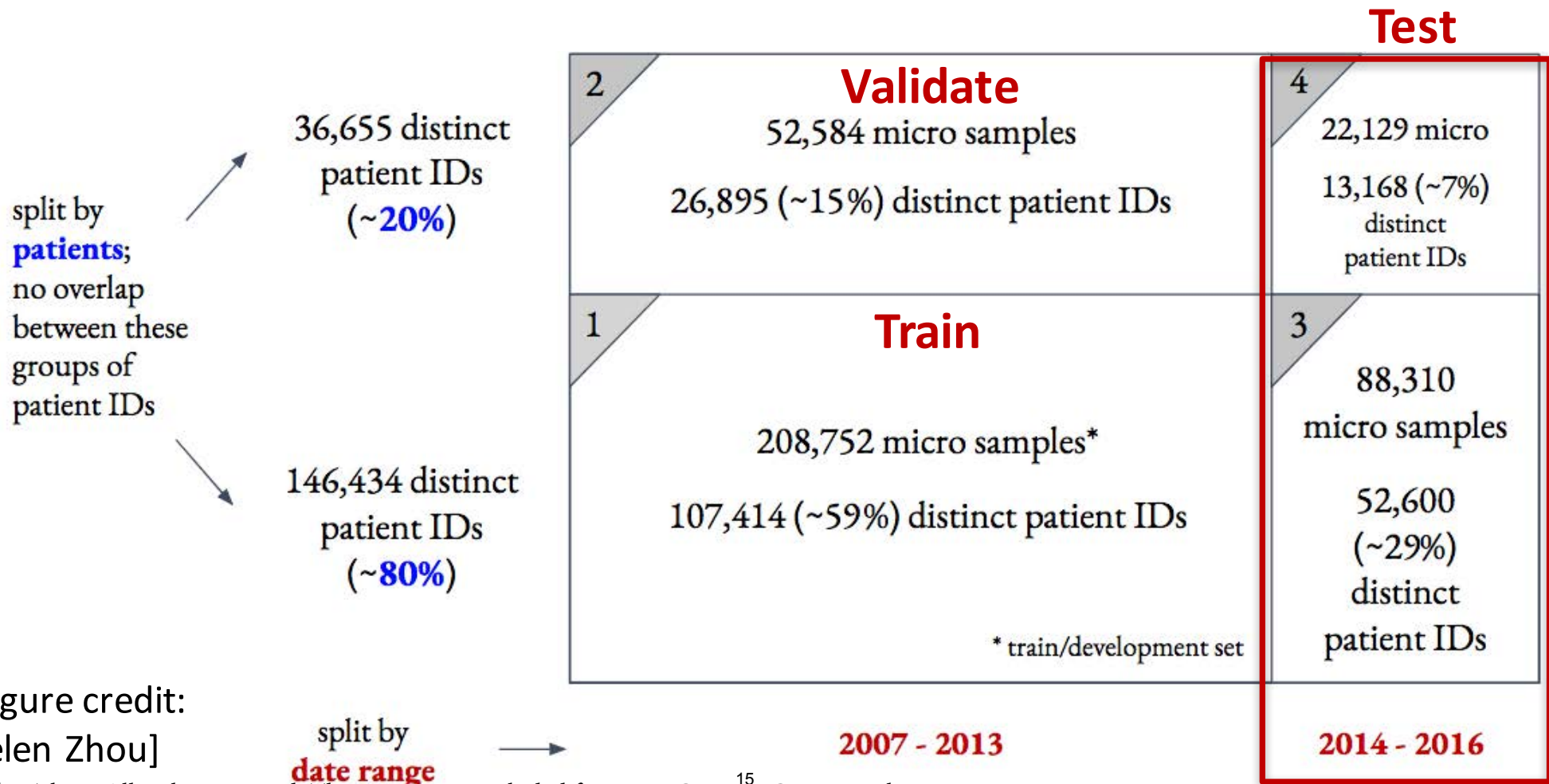


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Re-thinking evaluation in the face of non-stationarity

- How was our diabetes model evaluation flawed?
- Good practice: use test data from a future year:



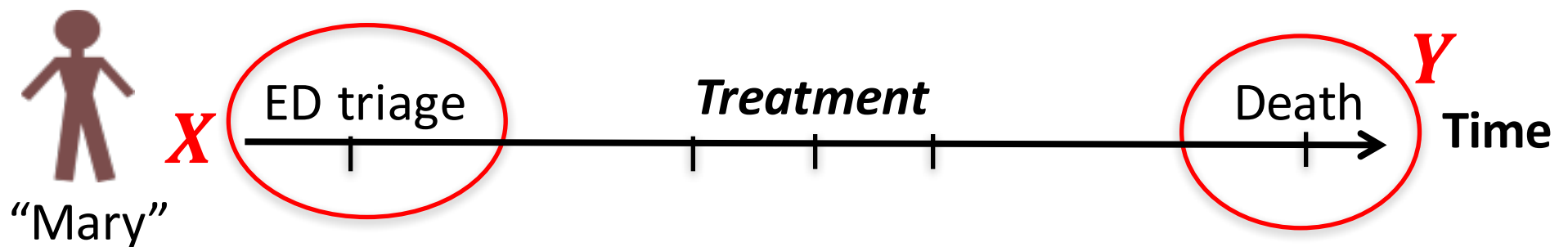
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Intervention-tainted outcomes

- Example from today's readings:
 - Patients with pneumonia who have a history of asthma have lower risk of dying from pneumonia
 - Thus, we learn: **HasAsthma(x) => LowerRisk(x)**
- **What's wrong with the learned model?**
 - Risk stratification drives **interventions**
 - If low risk, might not admit to ICU. But this was precisely what prevented patients from dying!

Intervention-tainted outcomes

- Formally, this is what's happening:



A long survival time may be because of treatment!

- How do we address this problem?
- First and foremost, must recognize it is happening
 - interpretable models help with this

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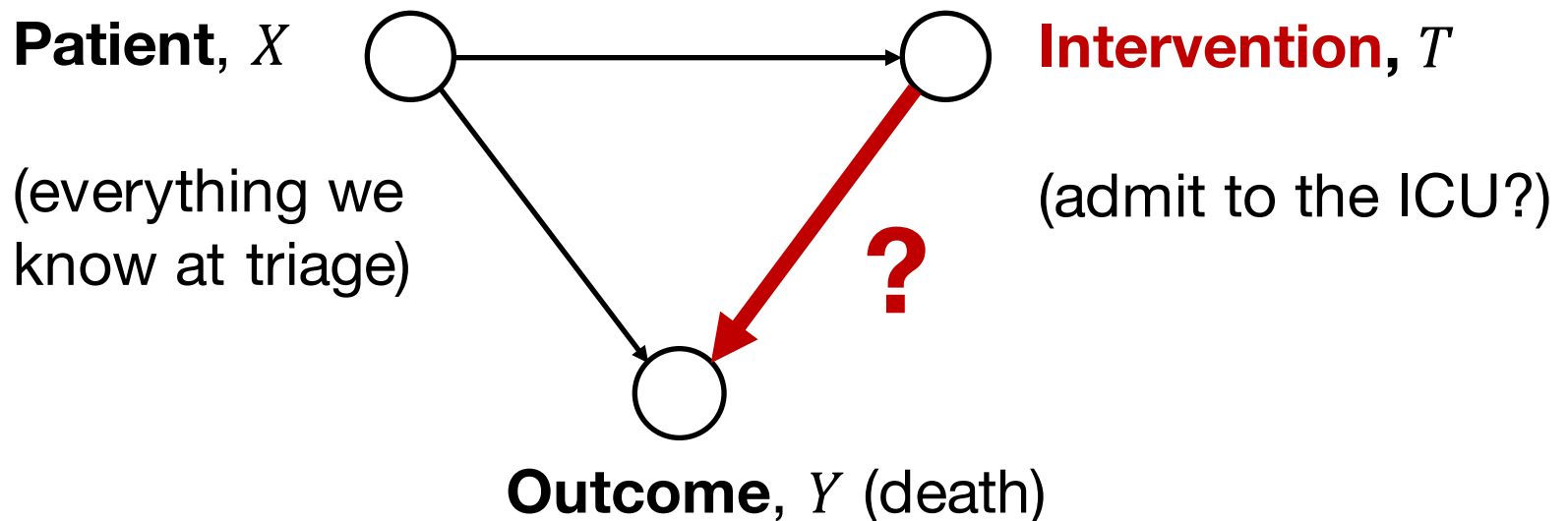
- Hacks:
 1. Modify model, e.g. by removing the **HasAsthma(x) => LowerRisk(x)** rule
I do not expect this to work with high-dimensional data
 2. Re-define outcome by finding a pre-treatment surrogate (e.g., lactate levels)
 3. Consider treated patients as **right-censored** by treatment

Example:

Henry, Hager, Pronovost, Saria. A targeted real-time early warning score (TREWScore) for septic shock. *Science Translation Medicine*, 2015

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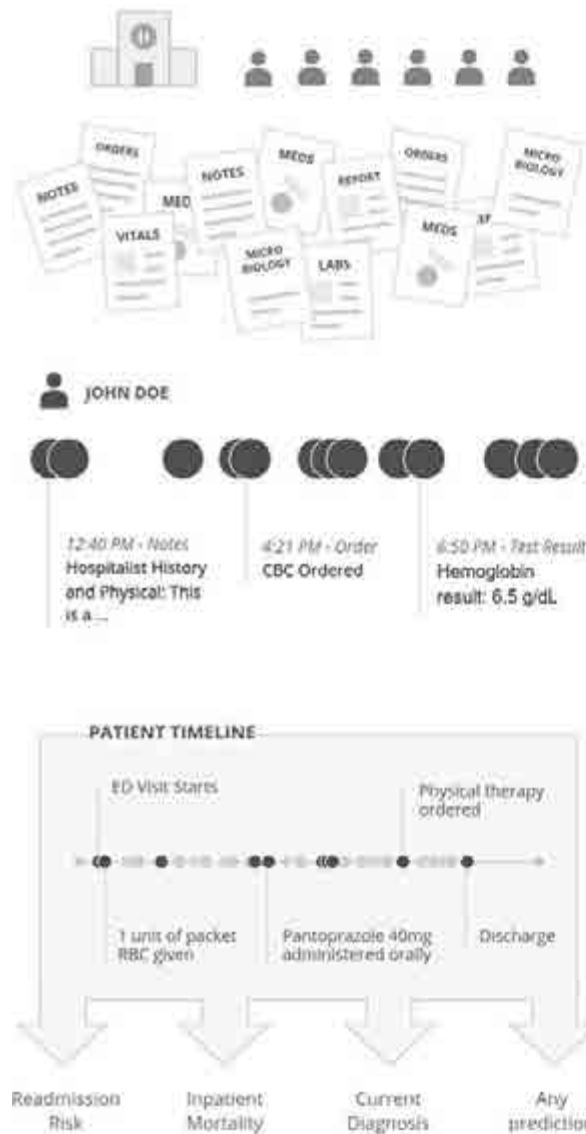
- The rigorous way to address this problem is through the language of **causality**:



Will admission to ICU lower likelihood of death for patient?

- We return to this in Lecture 14

No big wins from deep models on structured data/text



1

Health systems collect and store electronic health records in various formats in databases.

2

All available data for each patient is converted to events recorded in containers based on the Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resource (FHIR) specification.

3

The FHIR resources are placed in temporal order, depicting all events recorded in the EHR (i.e. timeline). The deep learning model uses this full history to make each prediction.

Rajkomar et al., Scalable and accurate deep learning with electronic health records. *Nature Digital Medicine*, 2018

Recurrent neural network & attention-based models trained on 200K hospitalized patients

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Baseline (aEWS ²) at 24 hours after admission	0.85 (0.81-0.89)	0.86 (0.83-0.88)
30-day Readmission, AUROC (95% CI)		
Deep learning at discharge	0.77 (0.75-0.78)	0.76 (0.75-0.77)
Full feature enhanced baseline at discharge	0.75 (0.73-0.76)	0.75 (0.74-0.76)
Full feature simple baseline at discharge	0.74 (0.73-0.76)	0.73 (0.72-0.74)
Baseline (mHOSPITAL ³) at discharge	0.70 (0.68-0.72)	0.68 (0.67-0.69)
Length of Stay at least 7 days AUROC (95% CI)		
Deep learning 24 hours after admission	0.86 (0.86-0.87)	0.85 (0.85-0.86)
Full feature enhanced baseline at 24 hours after admission	0.85 (0.84-0.85)	0.83 (0.83-0.84)
Full feature simple baseline at 24 hours after admission	0.83 (0.82-0.84)	0.81 (0.80-0.82)
Baseline (mLiu ⁴) at 24 hours after admission	0.76 (0.75-0.77)	0.74 (0.73-0.75)

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Keep² in mind:

Small wins with deep models may disappear altogether with dataset shift or non-stationarity (Jung & Shah, JBI '15)

¹ Area under the receiver operator curve [Rajkumar et al. '18 **electronic supplementary material:**

https://static-content.springer.com/esm/art%3A10.1038%2Fs41746-018-0029-1/MediaObjects/41746_2018_29_MOESM1_ESM.pdf]

No big wins from deep models on structured data/text – why?

- Sequential data in medicine is very different from language modeling
 - Many time scales, significant missing data, and multi-variate observations
 - Likely *do exist* predictive nonlinear interactions, but subtle
 - Not enough data to naively deal with the above two
- Medical community has already come up with some very good features

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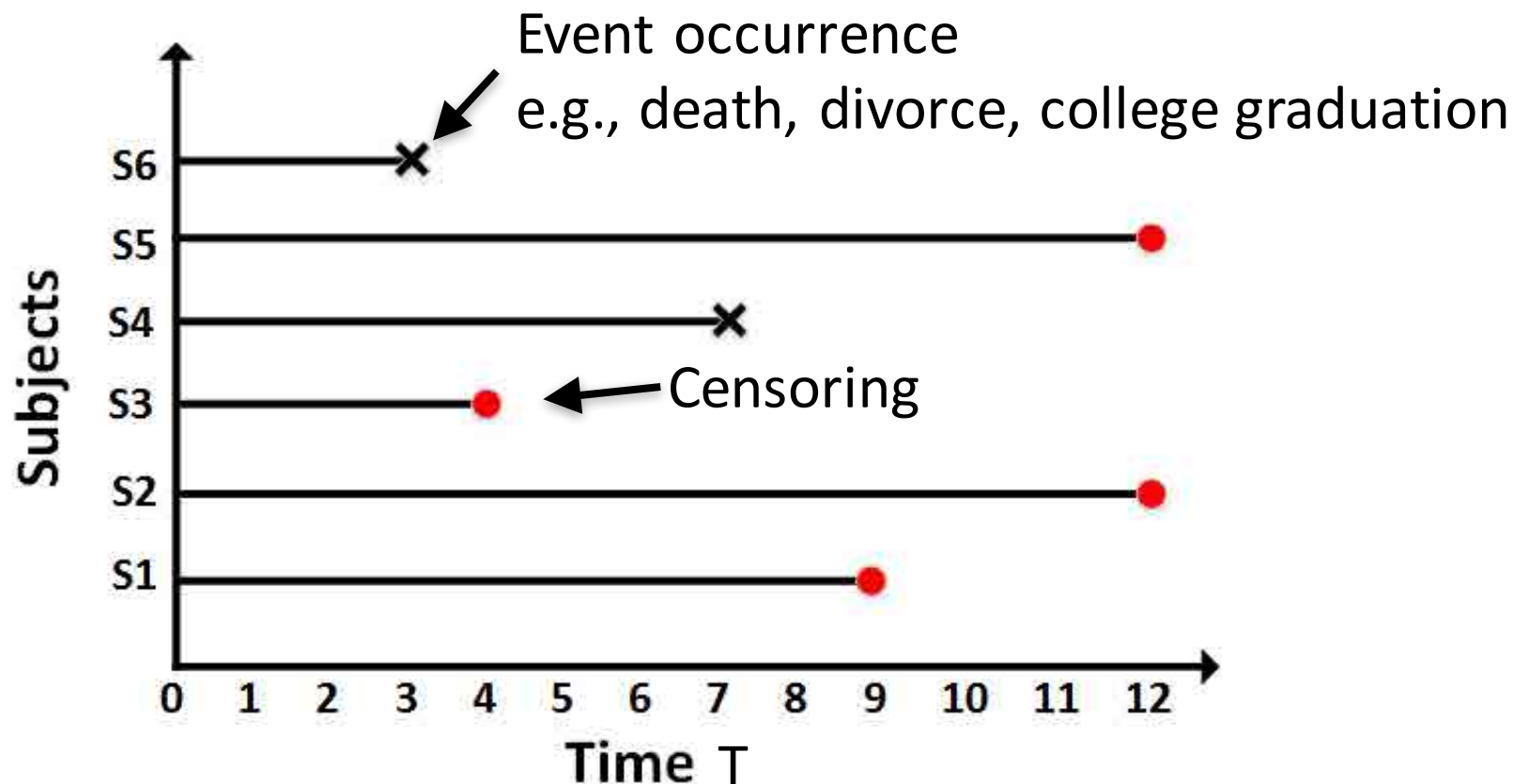
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Survival modeling

- We focus on right-censored data:



[Wang, Li, Reddy. Machine Learning for Survival Analysis: A Survey. 2017]

Survival modeling

- Why not use classification, as before?
 - Less data for training (due to exclusions)
 - Pessimistic estimates due to choice of window
- What about regression, e.g. minimizing mean-squared error?
 - T is non-negative, may want long tails
 - If we just naively removed censored events, we would be introducing bias

Notation and formalization

- Data are (\mathbf{x}, T, b) =(features, time, censoring), where $b=0,1$ denotes whether time is of censoring or event occurrence
- Let $f(t) = P(t)$ be the probability of death at time t
- Survival function: the probability of an individual surviving beyond time t ,

$$S(t) = P(T > t) = \int_t^{\infty} f(x)dx$$

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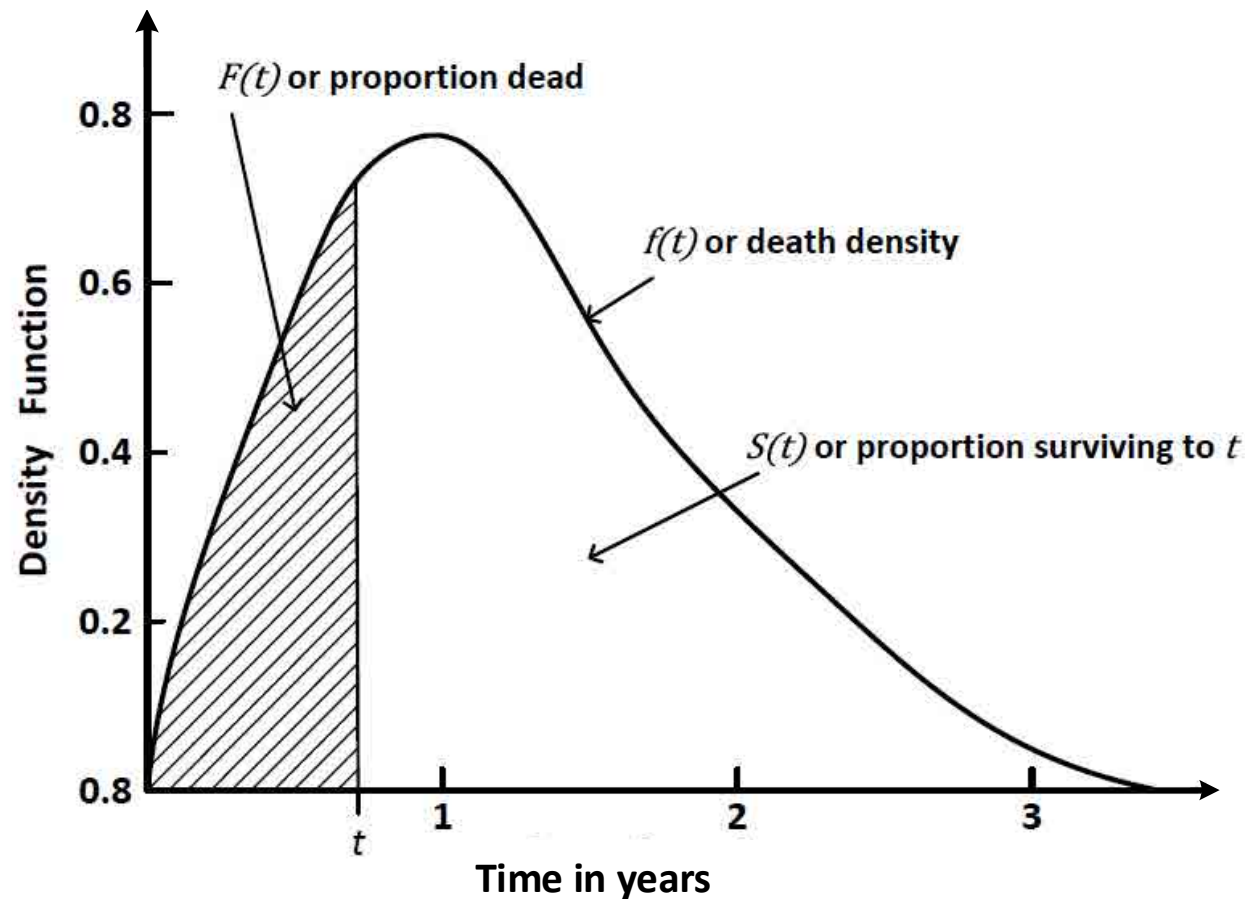
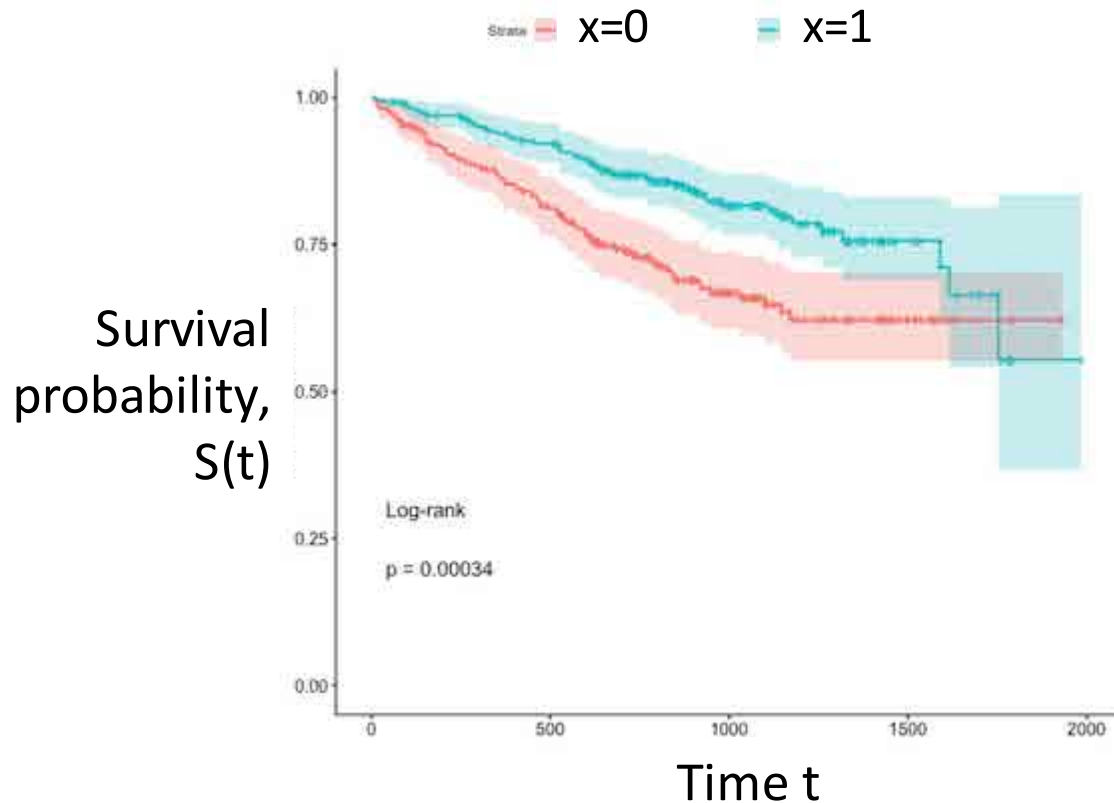


Fig. 2: Relationship among different entities $f(t)$, $F(t)$ and $S(t)$.

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Kaplan-Meier estimator

- Example of a non-parametric method; good for unconditional density estimation



Observed event times

$$y_{(1)} < y_{(2)} < \dots < y_{(D)}$$

$d_{(k)}$ = # events at this time

$n_{(k)}$ = # of individuals alive and uncensored

$$S_{K-M}(t) = \prod_{k: y_{(k)} \leq t} \left(1 - \frac{d_{(k)}}{n_{(k)}} \right)$$

[Figure credit: Rebecca Peyser]

Maximum likelihood estimation

- Commonly parametric densities for $f(t)$:

Table 2.1 Useful parametric distributions for survival analysis

Distribution		Survival function $S(t)$	Density function $f(t)$
Exponential ($\lambda > 0$)		$\exp(-\lambda t)$	$\lambda \exp(-\lambda t)$
Weibull ($\lambda, \phi > 0$)		$\exp(-\lambda t^\phi)$	$\lambda \phi t^{\phi-1} \exp(-\lambda t^\phi)$
Log-normal ($\sigma > 0, \mu \in R$)	(parameters can be a function of x)	$1 - \Phi\{(\ln t - \mu)/\sigma\}$	$\phi\{(\ln t - \mu)/\sigma\}(\sigma t)^{-1}$
Log-logistic ($\lambda > 0, \phi > 0$)		$1/(1 + \lambda t^\phi)$	$(\lambda \phi t^{\phi-1})/(1 + \lambda t^\phi)^2$
Gamma ($\lambda, \phi > 0$)		$1 - I(\lambda t, \phi)$	$\{\lambda^\phi / \Gamma(\phi)\} t^{\phi-1} \exp(-\lambda t)$
Gompertz ($\lambda, \phi > 0$)		$\exp\{\frac{\lambda}{\phi}(1 - e^{\phi t})\}$	$\lambda e^{\phi t} \exp\{\frac{\lambda}{\phi}(1 - e^{\phi t})\}$

[Ha, Jeong, Lee. Statistical Modeling of Survival Data with Random Effects. Springer 2017]

Maximum likelihood estimation

- Two kinds of observations: censored and uncensored

Uncensored likelihood

$$p_{\theta}(T = t | \mathbf{x}) = f(t)$$

Censored likelihood

$$p_{\theta}^{\text{censored}}(t | \mathbf{x}) = p_{\theta}(T > t | \mathbf{x}) = S(t)$$

- Putting the two together, we get:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \log p_{\theta}^{\text{censored}}(t | \mathbf{x}) + (1 - b_i) \log p_{\theta}(t | \mathbf{x})$$

Optimize via gradient or stochastic gradient ascent!

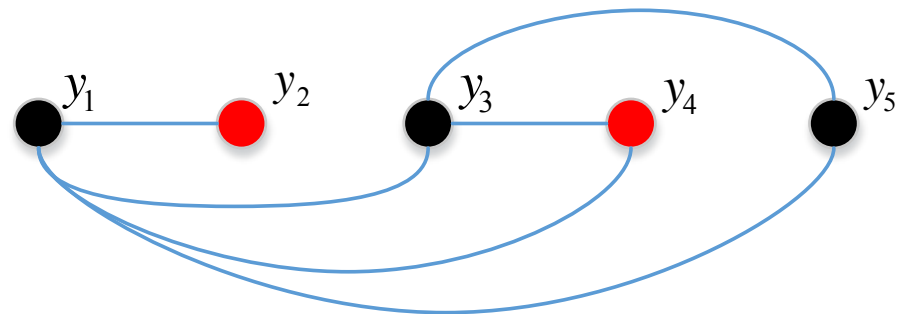
Evaluation for survival modeling

- Concordance-index (also called C-statistic): look at model's ability to predict *relative* survival times:

$$\hat{c} = \frac{1}{num} \sum_{i:} \sum_{j:y_i < y_j} I[S(\hat{y}_j|X_j) > S(\hat{y}_i|X_i)]$$

- Illustration – blue lines denote pairwise comparisons:

Black = uncensored
Red = censored



- Equivalent to AUC for binary variables and no censoring

[Wang, Li, Reddy. Machine Learning for Survival Analysis: A Survey. 2017]

Final thoughts on survival modeling

- Could also evaluate:
 - Mean-squared error for uncensored individuals
 - Held-out (censored) likelihood
 - Derive binary classifier from learned model and check calibration
- Partial likelihood estimators (e.g. for cox-proportional hazards models) can be much more data efficient

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