

Machine Learning Algorithms for Security and Image/Video Classification

A Weighted Probabilistic Approach to the PU Learning Problem

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MOTIVATION AND EXAMPLES

Traditional classification requires well-labeled data.

- Both positive and negative labels

Negative data is expensive in many interesting problems:

- Ex: Satellite Image Object Classification

Known positive set: Images with the desired object
(Ex: New Military Installations in N. Korea, Archeological Sites, etc...)

Unlabeled set: All other images



- Ex: Cancer Gene Identification

Known positive set: Genes known to influence cancer likelihood

Unlabeled set: All other genes in the genome

- Ex: Abnormal ECG Signal Detection/Identification

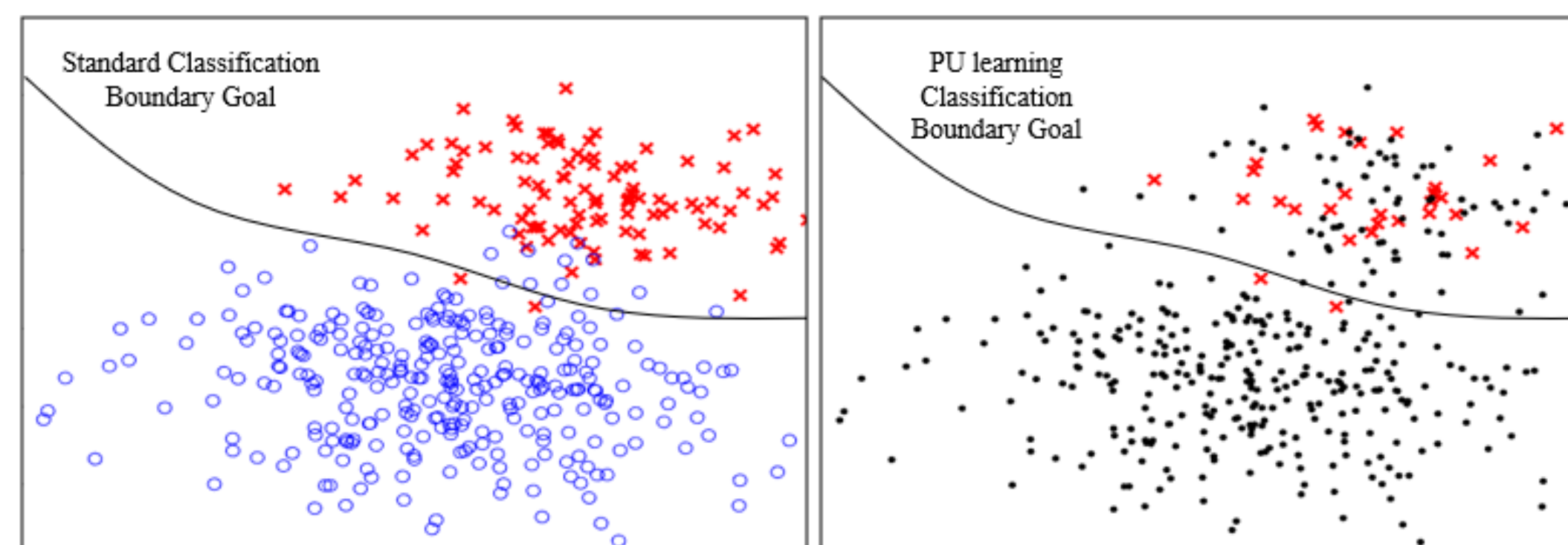
- Ex: Fraud Detection

RESULT:

- Some Positive Labels
- No Negative Labels

GOAL

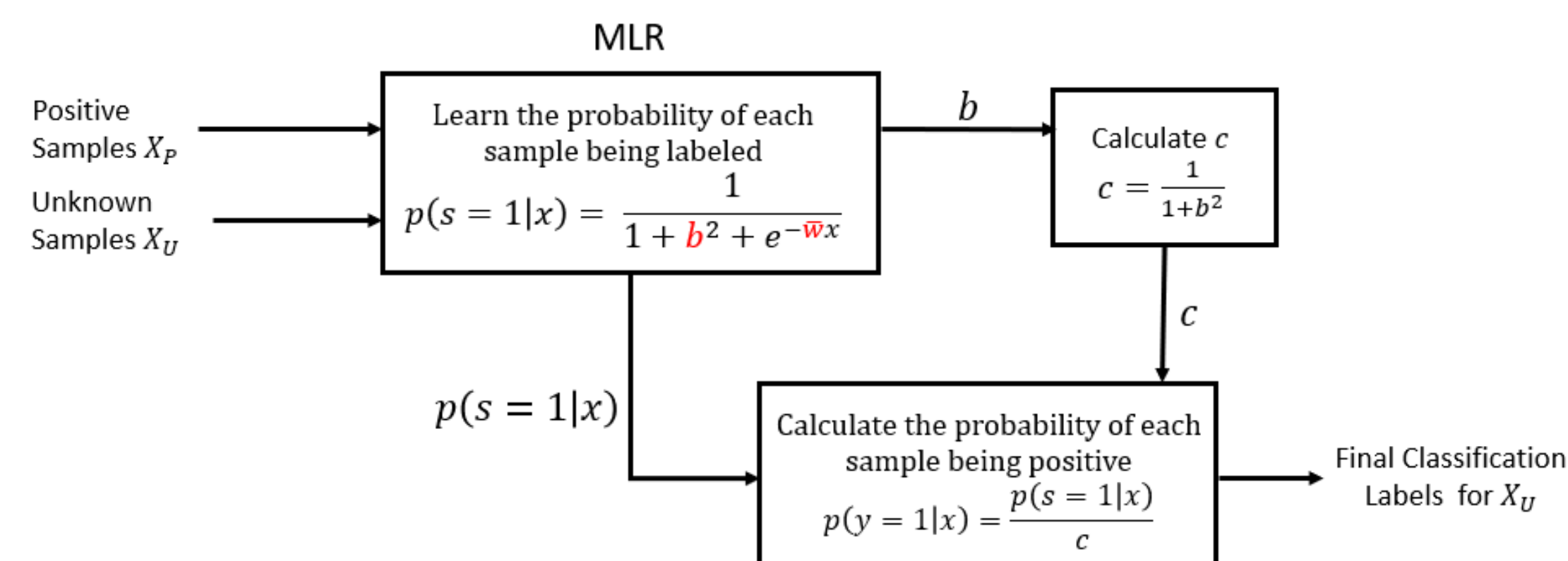
- Given data samples x and data labels y
- We want to learn a probabilistic classifier $p(y = 1|x)$



(a) Supervised classification learning problem with all labels known. (b) Positive Unlabeled learning problem with only a percentage of positive labels known and all others unknown.

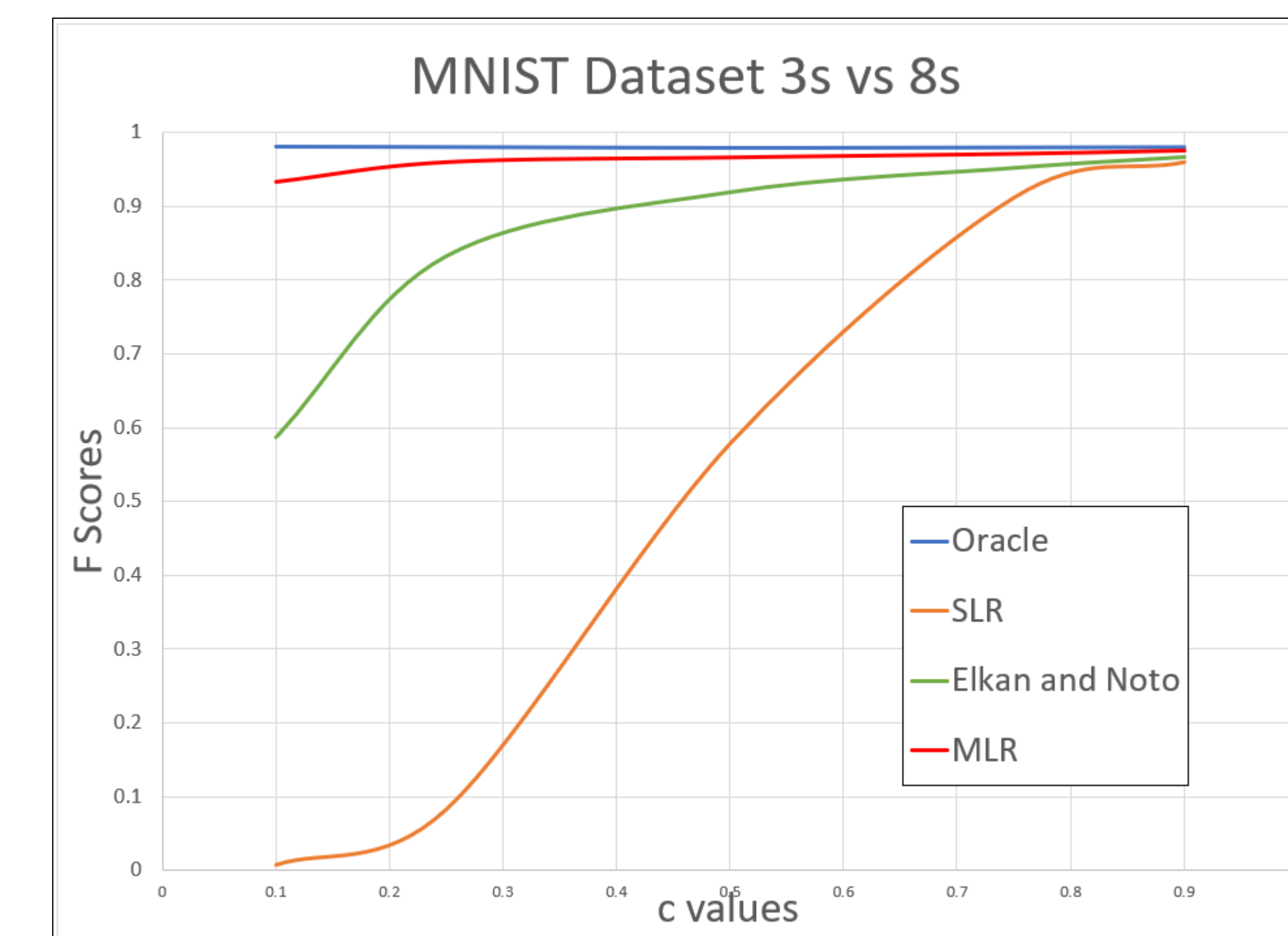
MODIFIED LOGISTIC REGRESSION (MLR)

- Use a Modified Logistic Regression (MLR) to learn a non-traditional classifier showing:
 - The probability of a sample being labeled $p(s = 1|x)$
 - The percentage c of true positive samples that are labelled positive
- Calculate the probability of a sample being positive using $p(s = 1|x)$ and c



RESULTS

- We compared our algorithm with estimators from [1] and with standard logistic regression.
- We used an F-Score metric for evaluative purposes to compensate for frequently uneven class sizes.
- The F-Score is the harmonic mean of the recall and precision and ranges from 0 to 1.
- F-Score metric shows significant and consistent improvement over previous algorithms.



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