

# LOGIC-BASED EXPLAINABLE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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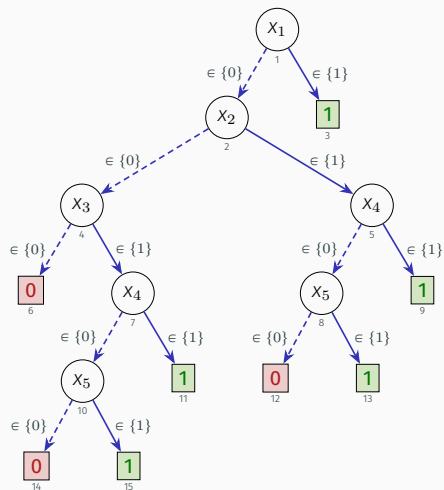
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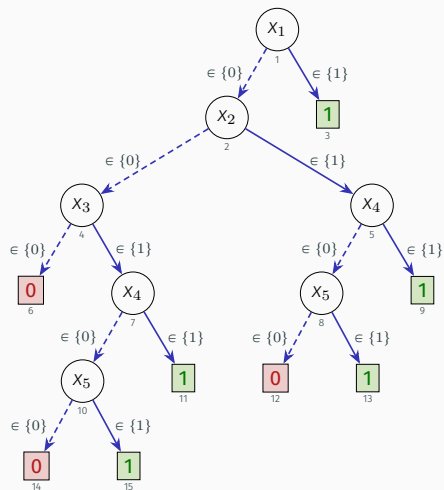
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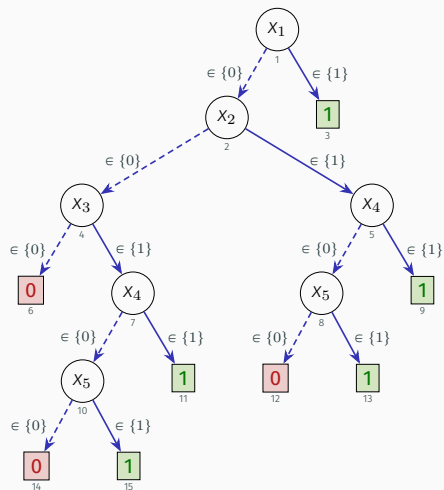
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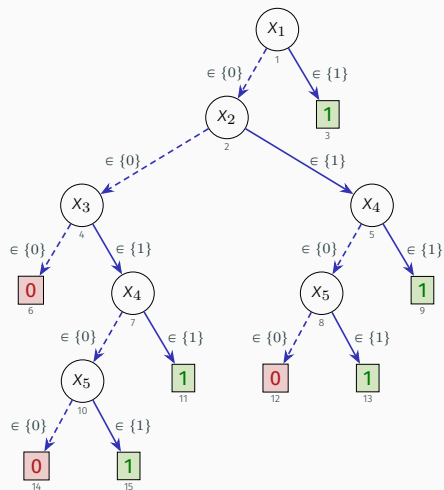
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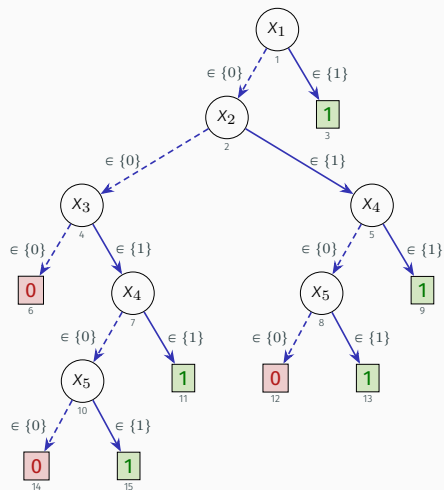
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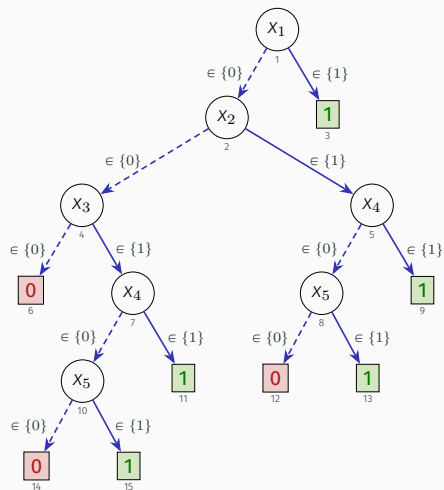
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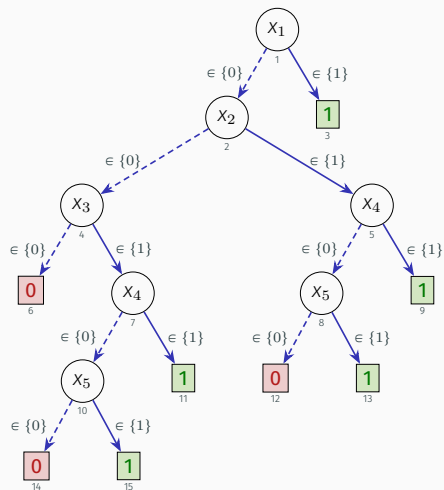
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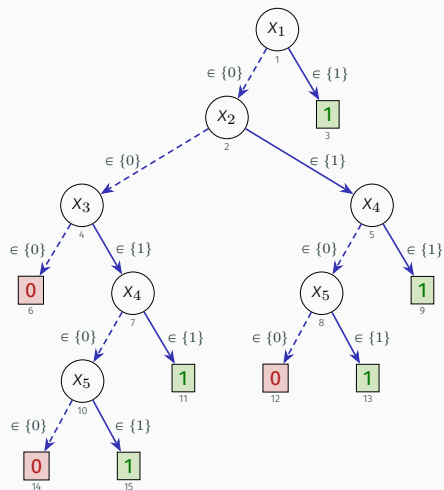
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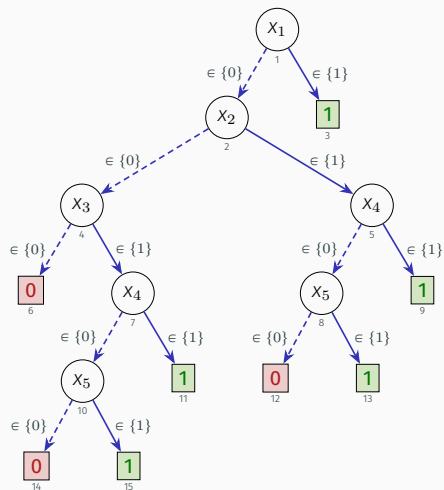
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- AXp's:  $\{1, 4\}$  (prediction unchanged)
- CXp's:
  - $\{1\}$ , by flipping the value of feature 1
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  - But also,  $\{\{1\}, \{4\}\}$  by MHS duality

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# Plan for this course

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- Lecture 02 – units:
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  - #04: Intractability in symbolic XAI (& myth of model-agnostic XAI)
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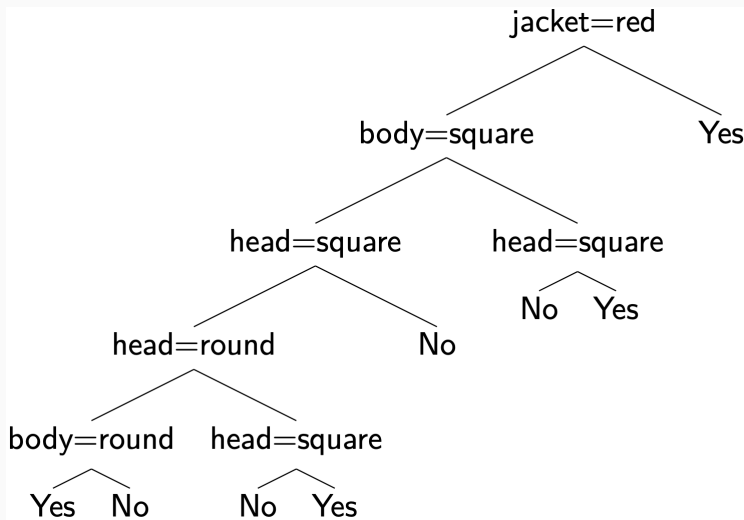
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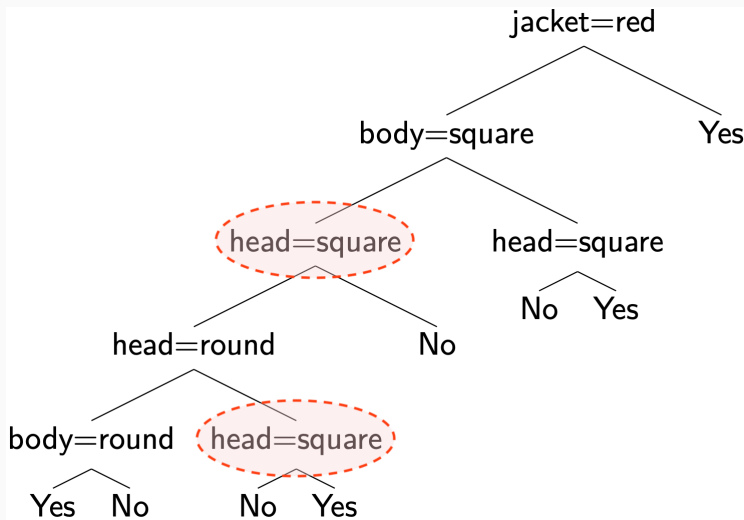
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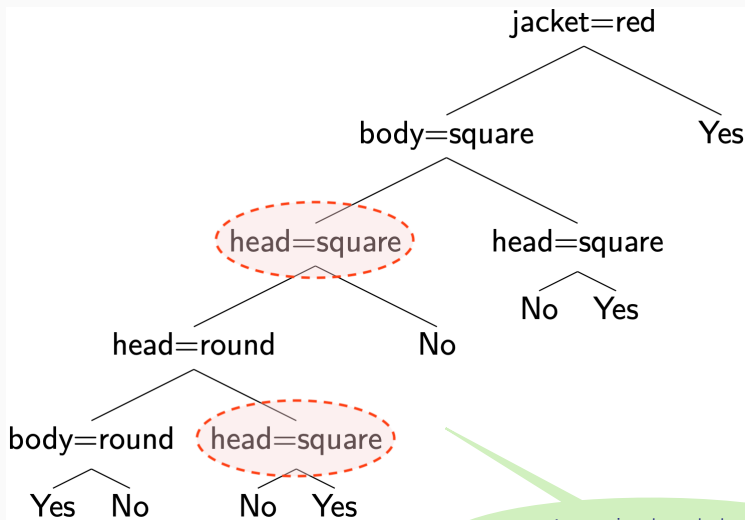
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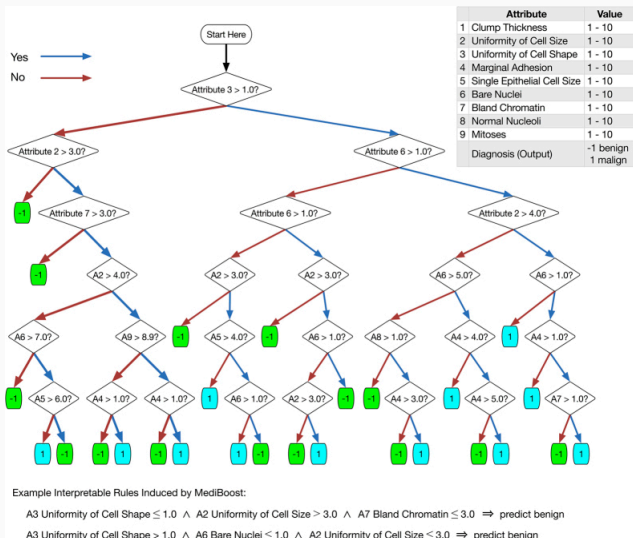
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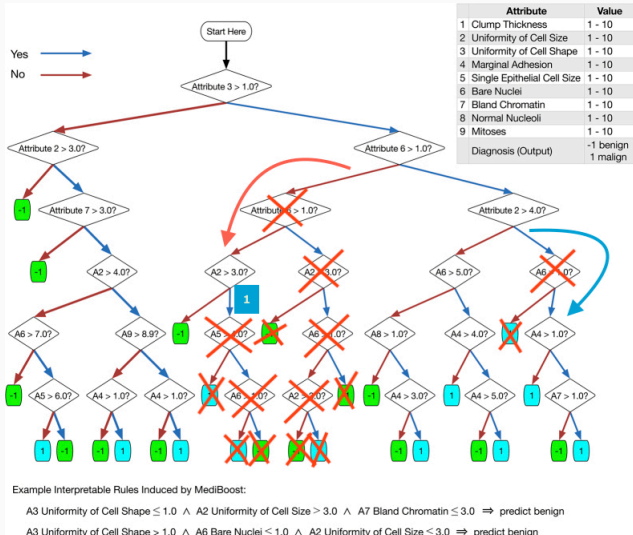


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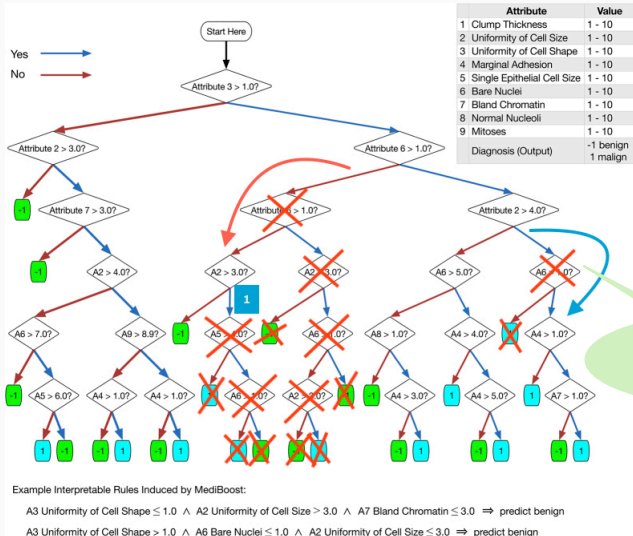


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- **For trustworthy AI, there exists no alternative to rigorous logic-based explanations!**



## Unit #04

# (Efficient) Intractability in Symbolic XAI

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- Let  $e_j = 1$  iff  $d_j$  matches  $c$
- Prediction change with rule up to  $R_j$  (with  $d_j \neq c$ ), if  $\tau_j \not\models \perp$  and  $\tau_k \models \perp$ , for  $1 \leq k < j$ , with  $e_k = 1$ :

$$\left[ f_j \leftrightarrow \left( t_j \wedge \bigwedge_{1 \leq k < j, e_k = 1} \neg t_k \right) \right]$$

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- Require that at least one  $f_j$ , with  $e_j = 0$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , to be consistent (i.e. some rule up to  $j$  with prediction other than  $c$  to fire):

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- The set of soft clauses is given by:  $\mathcal{S} \triangleq \{(l_i), i = 1, \dots, m\}$
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- $\mathcal{B} \cup \mathcal{S} \models \perp$ 
  - MUSes are AXp's & MCSes are CXp's

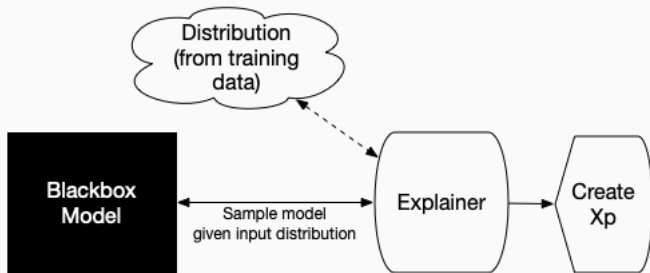
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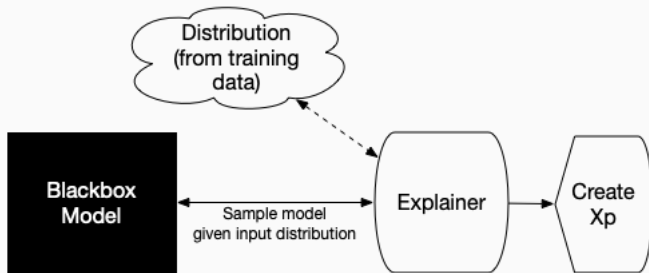
Myth #02: Model-Agnostic Explainability

Progress Report on Symbolic XAI

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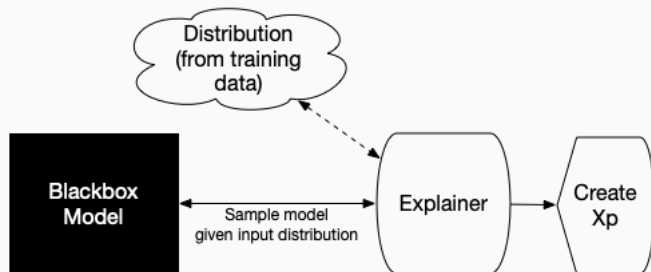
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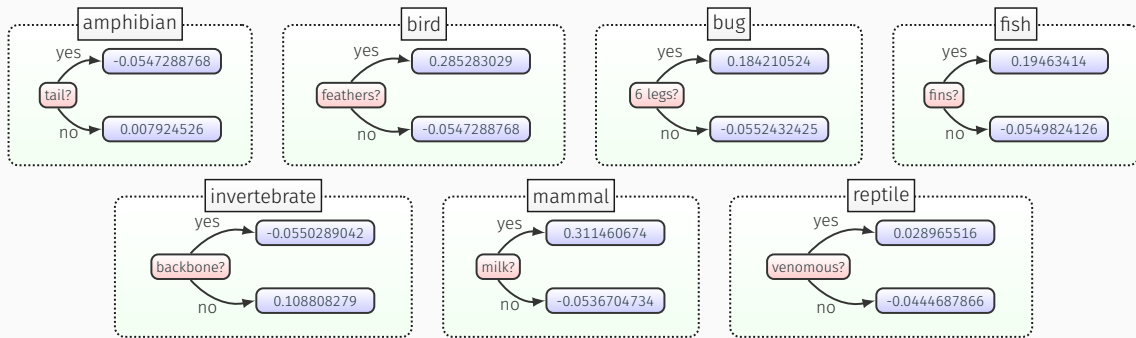
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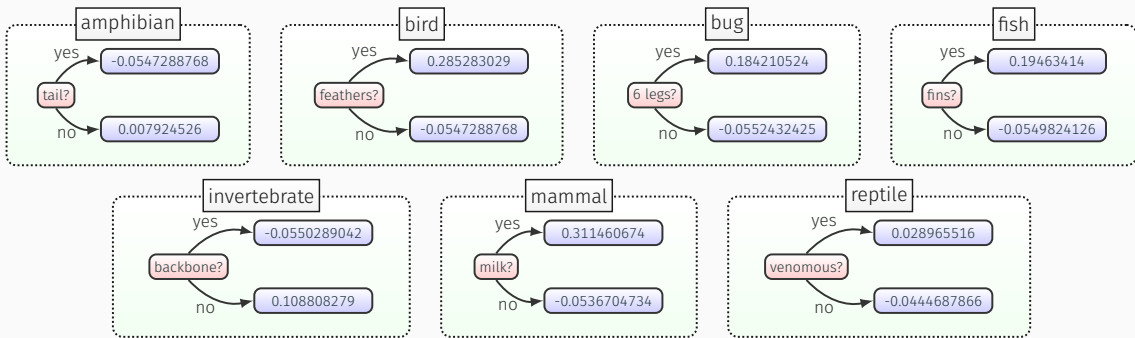
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- **Q:** Are model-agnostic explanations rigorous?

# Easy to spot problems – BT for zoo dataset

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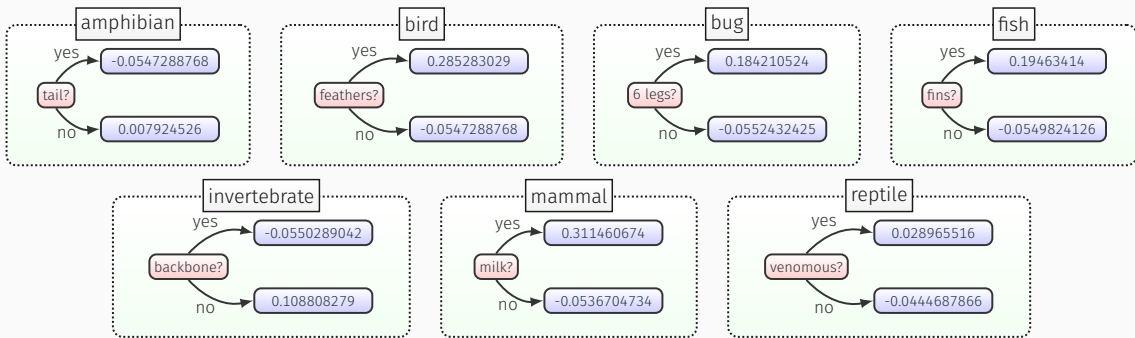




- Example instance:

**IF**  $(\text{animal\_name} = \text{pitviper}) \wedge \neg \text{hair} \wedge \neg \text{feathers} \wedge \text{eggs} \wedge \neg \text{milk} \wedge$   
 $\neg \text{airborne} \wedge \neg \text{aquatic} \wedge \text{predator} \wedge \neg \text{toothed} \wedge \text{backbone} \wedge \text{breathes} \wedge$   
 $\text{venomous} \wedge \neg \text{fins} \wedge (\text{legs} = 0) \wedge \text{tail} \wedge \neg \text{domestic} \wedge \neg \text{catsize}$

**THEN**  $(\text{class} = \text{reptile})$

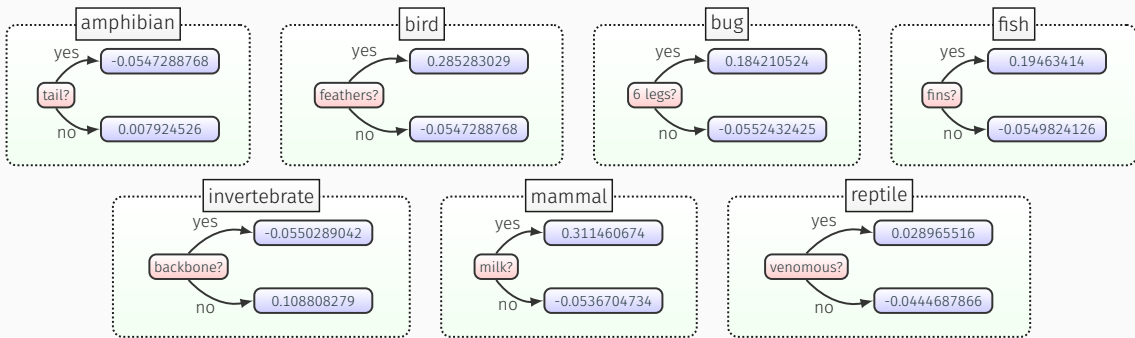


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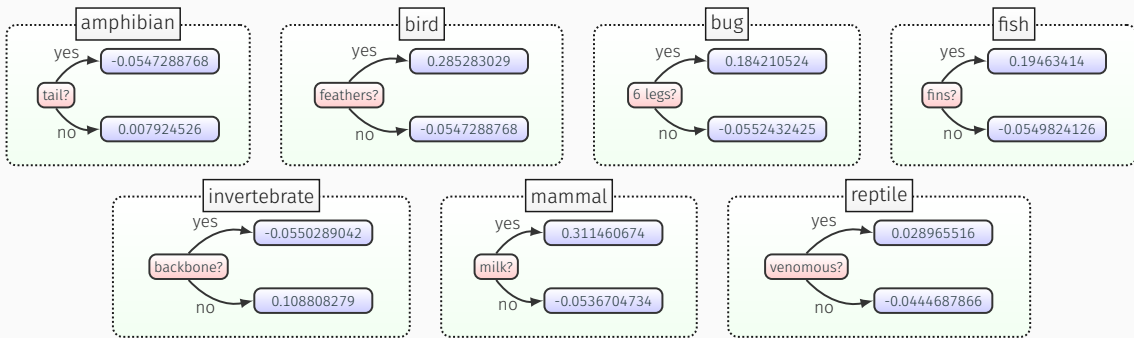
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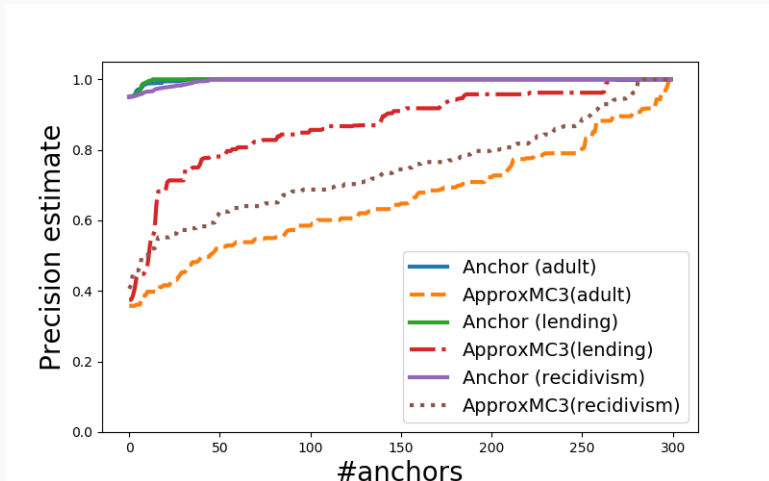
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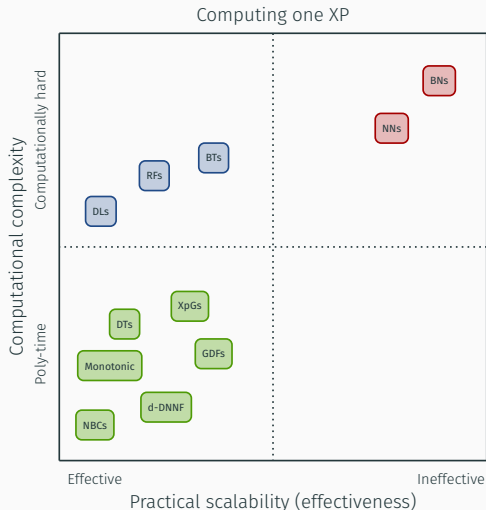


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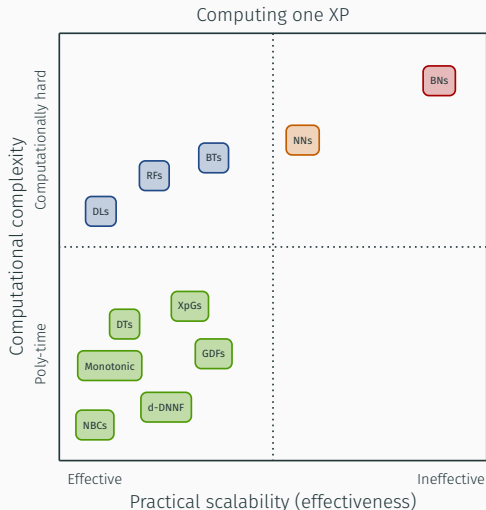
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ann-thyroid	( 21	3	718)	4	2192	98	17854	29230	0.12	0.15	2	18	0.36	0.05	0.13	96	0.32	4
appendicitis	( 7	2	43)	6	1920	90	5181	10085	0.02	0.02	4	3	0.05	0.01	0.03	100	0.48	0
banknote	( 4	2	138)	5	2772	97	8068	16776	0.01	0.01	2	2	0.03	0.02	0.02	100	0.19	0
biodegradation	( 41	2	106)	5	4420	88	11007	23842	0.31	1.05	17	22	2.27	0.04	0.29	97	4.07	3
heart-c	( 13	2	61)	5	3910	85	5594	11963	0.04	0.02	6	7	0.07	0.01	0.04	100	0.85	0
ionosphere	( 34	2	71)	5	2096	87	7174	14406	0.02	0.02	22	11	0.11	0.02	0.03	100	12.43	0
karhunen	( 64	10	200)	5	6198	91	36708	70224	1.06	1.41	35	29	14.64	0.65	2.78	100	28.15	0
letter	( 16	26	398)	8	44304	82	28991	68148	1.97	3.31	8	8	6.91	0.24	1.61	70	2.48	30
magic	( 10	2	381)	6	9840	84	29530	66776	0.51	1.84	6	4	2.13	0.07	0.14	99	0.91	1
new-thyroid	( 5	3	43)	5	1766	100	17443	28134	0.03	0.01	3	2	0.08	0.03	0.05	100	0.36	0
pendigits	( 16	10	220)	6	12004	95	30522	59922	2.40	1.32	10	6	4.11	0.14	0.94	96	3.68	4
ring	( 20	2	740)	6	6188	89	19114	42362	0.27	0.44	11	9	1.25	0.05	0.25	92	7.25	8
segmentation	( 19	7	42)	4	1966	90	21288	35381	0.11	0.17	8	10	0.53	0.11	0.31	100	4.13	0
shuttle	( 9	7	116)	3	1460	99	18669	29478	0.11	0.08	2	7	0.34	0.05	0.14	99	0.42	1
sonar	( 60	2	42)	5	2614	88	9938	20537	0.04	0.06	36	24	0.43	0.04	0.09	100	23.02	0
spectf	( 44	2	54)	5	2306	88	6707	13449	0.07	0.06	20	24	0.34	0.02	0.07	100	8.12	0
texture	( 40	11	550)	5	5724	87	34293	64187	0.79	0.63	23	17	3.24	0.19	0.93	100	28.13	0
twonorm	( 20	2	740)	5	6266	94	21198	46901	0.08	0.08	12	8	0.28	0.06	0.10	100	5.73	0
vowel	( 13	11	198)	6	10176	90	44523	88696	1.66	2.11	8	5	4.52	0.15	1.15	66	1.67	34
waveform-40	( 40	3	500)	5	6232	83	30438	58380	0.50	0.86	15	25	7.07	0.11	0.88	100	11.93	0
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		M	26	22.21	2.75	—	—	—
breast-cancer	(9)	m	3	0.02	0.04	3	0.02	0.03
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		M	9	6.11	0.41	9	24.80	1.81
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		a	8.62	3.32	0.32	7.89	—	5.14
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	#2	2	5	4263.5	1	0	5	1853.1	0
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## Recall computing one AXp/CXp – oneXP

**Input:** Predicate  $\mathbb{P}$ , parameterized by  $\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{M}$

**Output:** One XP  $\mathcal{S}$

1: **procedure** oneXP( $\mathbb{P}$ )

2:    $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow \mathcal{F}$

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4:     **if**  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{S} \setminus \{i\})$  **then**

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▷ Returned set  $\mathcal{S}$ :  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{S})$  holds

# Generic oracle-based enumeration algorithm

**Input:** Parameters  $\mathbb{P}_{\text{axp}}, \mathbb{P}_{\text{cxp}}, \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{F}, \kappa, \mathbf{v}$

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2: repeat
3:    $(\text{outc}, \mathbf{u}) \leftarrow \text{SAT}(\mathcal{H})$ 
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5:      $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow \{i \in \mathcal{F} \mid u_i = 0\}$ 
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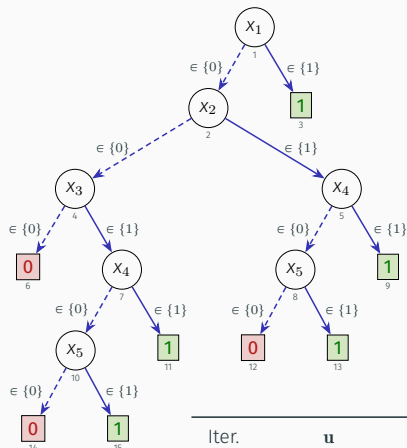
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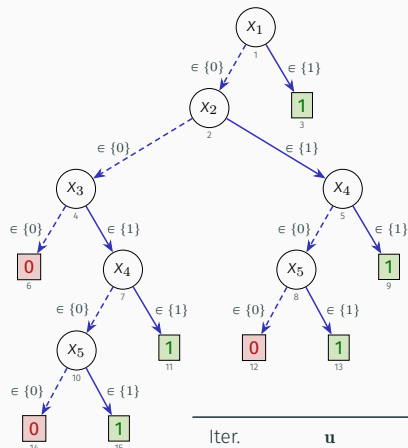
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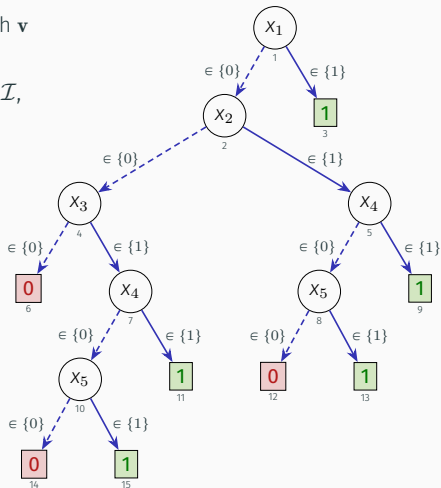
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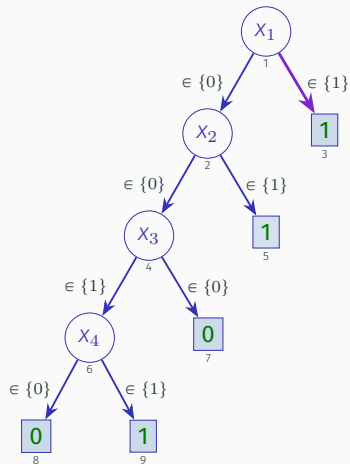


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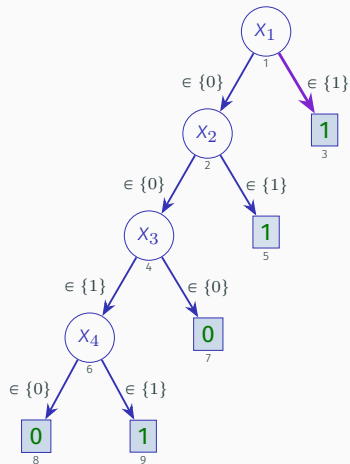
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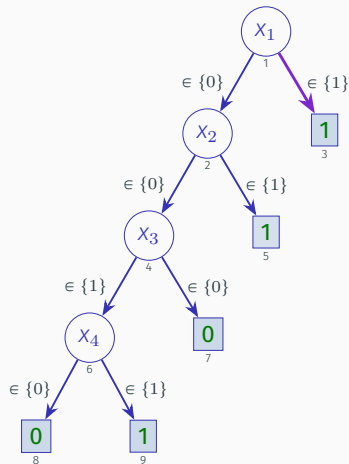
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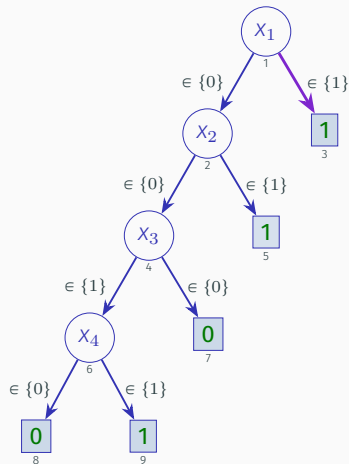
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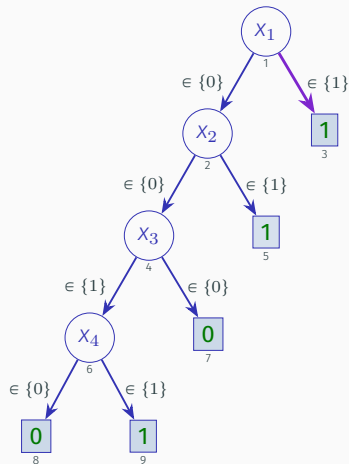
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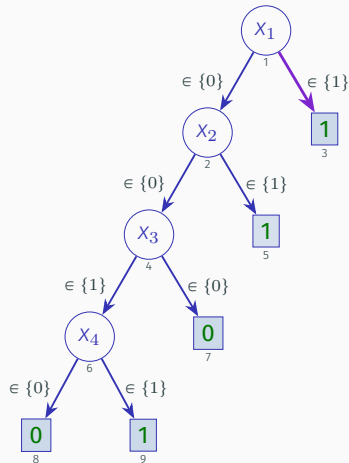
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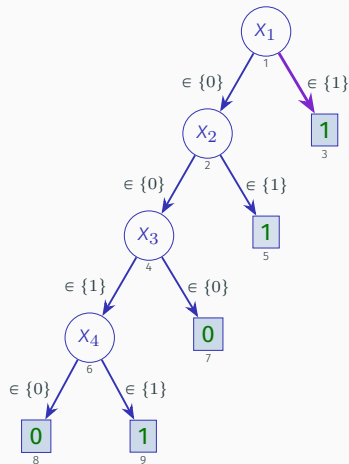
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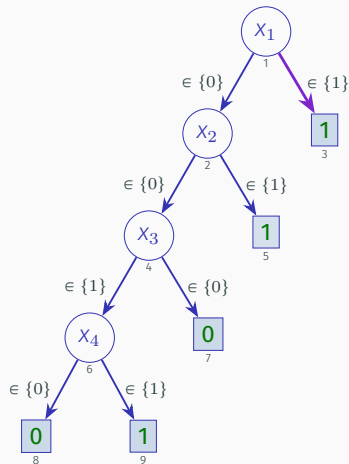
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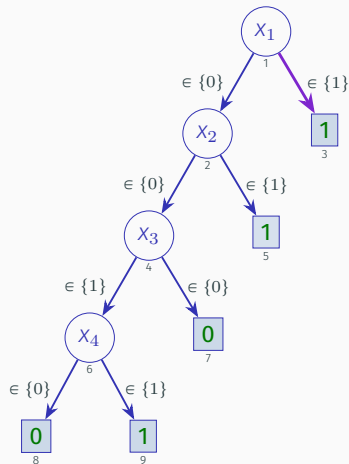
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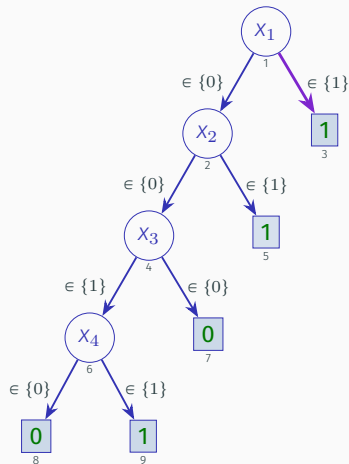
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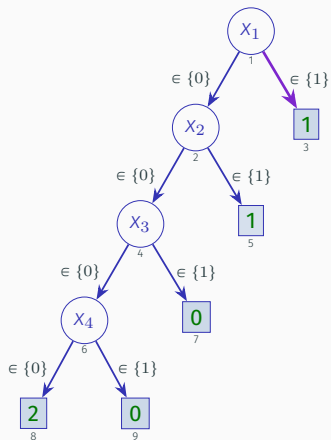
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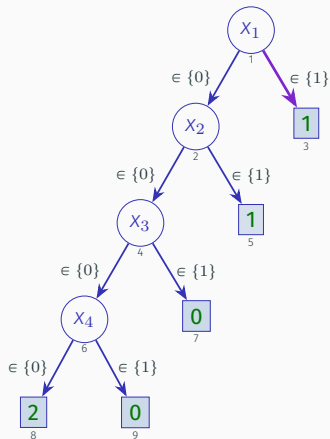
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10:      else ▷  $\mathcal{P}$  is a WAXp
11:        if  $\neg \text{WAXp}(\mathcal{P} \setminus \{t\})$  then ▷  $\mathcal{P}$  without  $t$  not a WAXp?
12:          reportWeakAXp( $\mathcal{P}$ ) ▷ Feature  $t$  is included in any AXp  $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{P}$ 
13:          return true
14:         $\mathcal{H} \leftarrow \mathcal{H} \cup \text{newNegCl}(\mathcal{P}; t, \kappa)$  ▷ WAXp( $\mathcal{P} \setminus \{t\}$ ) holds; some feature in  $\mathcal{P}$  must not be picked
15:   until  $\text{outc} = \text{false}$ 
16:   return false ▷ If  $\mathcal{H}$  becomes inconsistent, then there is no AXp that contains  $t$ 
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- Is  $t = 1$  relevant?

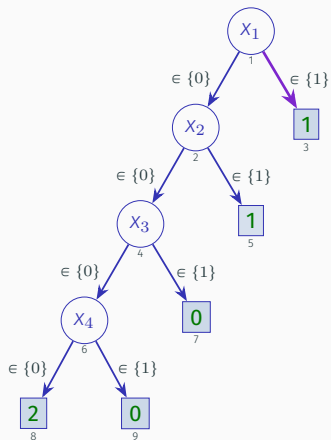
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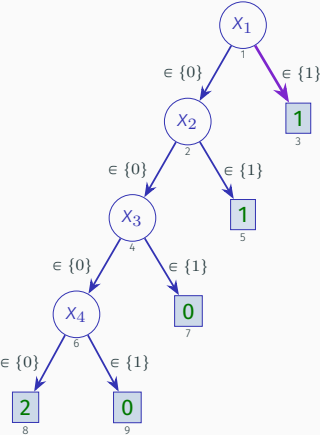
$t = 1$						
$\mathbf{s}$	$\mathcal{P}$	WAXp( $\mathcal{P}$ )	WAXp( $\mathcal{P} \setminus \{t\}$ )	Return?	Clause	
$(1, 1, 1, 1)$	$\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$	✓	✓	---	$(\neg u_2 \vee \neg u_3 \vee \neg u_4)$	
$(1, 1, 0, 1)$	$\{1, 2, 4\}$	✓	✓	---	$(\neg u_2 \vee \neg u_4)$	
$(1, 1, 0, 0)$	$\{1, 2\}$	✓	✓	---	$(\neg u_2)$	
$(1, 0, 0, 0)$	$\{1\}$	✓	✗	true	---	

## Another example



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(1, 1, 1, 1)	{1, 2, 3, 4}	✓	✓	---	$(\neg u_1 \vee \neg u_2 \vee \neg u_3)$
(1, 1, 0, 1)	{1, 2, 4}	✓	✓	---	$(\neg u_1 \vee \neg u_2)$
(1, 0, 0, 1)	{1, 4}	✓	✓	---	$(\neg u_1)$
(0, 1, 0, 1)	{2, 4}	✓	✓	---	$(\neg u_2)$
(0, 0, 0, 1)	{4}	✗	-	---	$(u_1 \vee u_2 \vee u_3)$
(0, 0, 1, 1)	{3, 4}	✗	-	---	$(u_1 \vee u_2)$
[outc = false]	---	-	-	false	---

Questions?

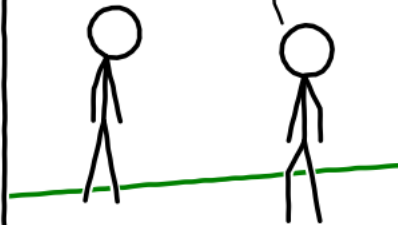
BLACK BOX MODELS

MY ML MODEL...

IS LIKE A  
(BLACK) BOX OF  
CHOCOLATES.

I NEVER KNOW WHAT  
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BUT WHY?



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