Classification

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Outline

- Introduce the Bayes Classifier
- Implement KNN as a method of approximating the Bayes classifier
- Discuss methods of assessing classification models

Section 1

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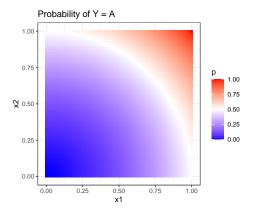
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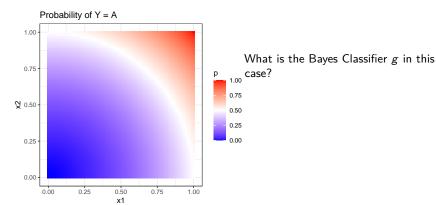
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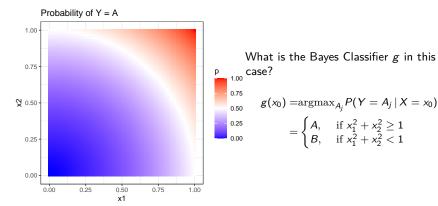
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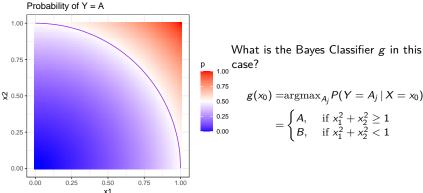
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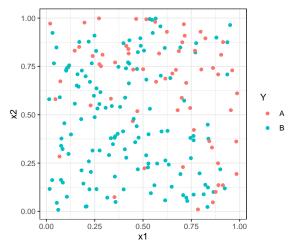


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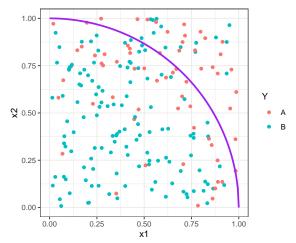
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Let's simulate 200 data points from this model.



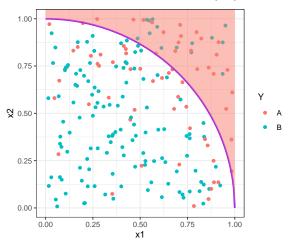
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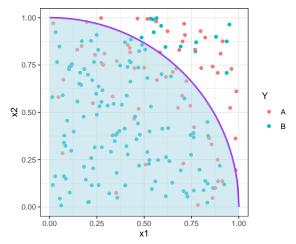
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 - This is analogous to the irreducible error in regression problems

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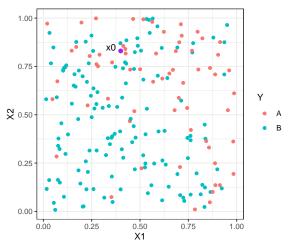
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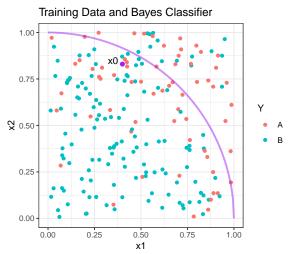
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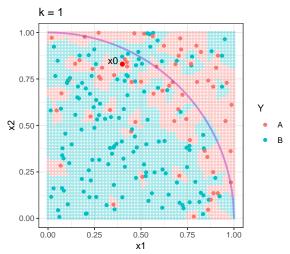
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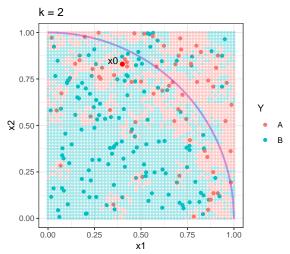
Classify x_0 for K = 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 200.

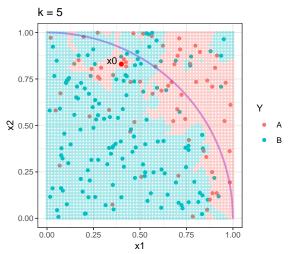


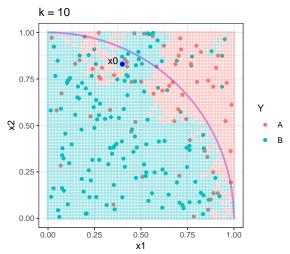
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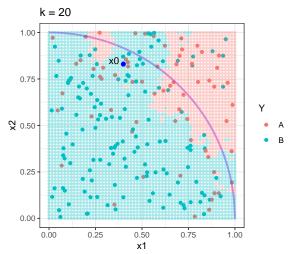


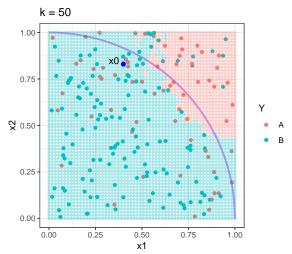




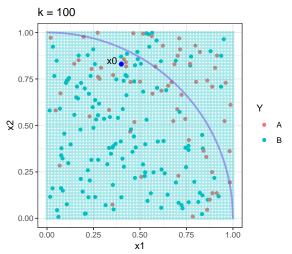




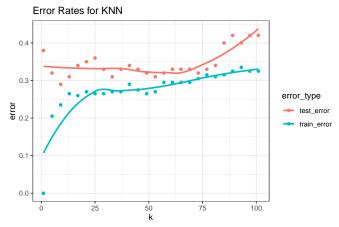




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glimpse(test data)
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Now we build the knn object:

```
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sim fit 30 <- kknn(Y ~ x1 + x2, train = train data, test = test data,
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error <- 1 - acc
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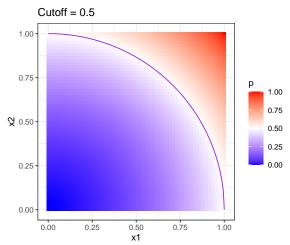
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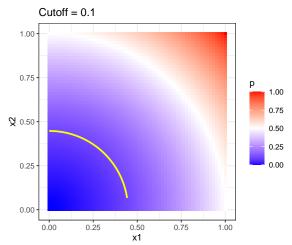
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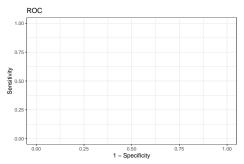


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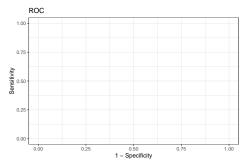
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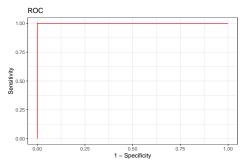


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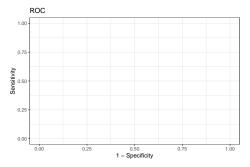
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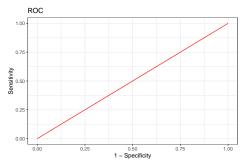
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## # A tibble: 1 x 3
     .metric .estimator .estimate
##
     <chr>>
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##
                            <dbl>
## 1 roc auc binary
                            0.750
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 Here, probs. A is the column name for the column containing the estimated probabilities each observation is of class A.

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