



# COMPSCI 389

## Introduction to Machine Learning

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### **Topic 11.0: Classification**

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Note: This presentation covers (and provides additional context/information regarding)  
11.0 Classification.ipynb

# Regression and Classification (Review)

- Within supervised learning, recall that a data set is a set of input-output pairs  $(X, Y)$ .
- **Regression:**  $Y$  is a continuous number.
  - Multivariate Regression:  $Y$  is a vector. That is,  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $m > 1$ .
- **Classification:**  $Y$  is categorical (mapped to an integer).
  - Binary Classification:  $Y \in \{0,1\}$  or  $Y \in \{-1,1\}$ .
  - Multi-Class Classification:  $Y \in \{0,1, \dots, k\}$ .

# Regression → Classification

- Two changes for parametric methods:
  1. Change the parametric model so that it outputs a discrete label as a prediction rather than a number
  2. Select a loss function that is appropriate for classification tasks
- Note: Techniques differ for non-parametric methods
  - E.g., we discussed nearest neighbor (and variants) for classification
  - E.g., there are other custom non-parametric methods for classification like *decision trees*, which are beyond the scope of this course.
- Terminology: Each possible value of the label is called a **class**

# Parametric models for classification

- Assume  $m$  classes (possible values of the label)
- Change parametric model to have  $m$  outputs rather than one.
- **Deterministic:**
  - Class with the highest output is the predicted class.
  - Simple and effective
  - Gradient of the loss function is typically zero, making this impractical for training.
- **Stochastic:**
  - The  $m$  outputs are converted to a probability distribution over the classes, and the label is sampled from this distribution.
  - The larger the output, the higher the probability of the class being selected

# Stochastic Models: Softmax

- The **softmax** function converts the  $m$  outputs to a distribution over the  $m$  class values.
- Let  $out_1, \dots, out_m$  be the model outputs.
- Probabilities cannot be negative, so convert each output to a positive value:

$$out_1, \dots, out_m \rightarrow e^{out_1}, \dots, e^{out_m}$$

- A probability distribution must sum to one, so divide each by the sum:

$$\frac{e^{out_1}}{\sum_{k=1}^m e^{out_k}}, \frac{e^{out_2}}{\sum_{k=1}^m e^{out_k}}, \dots, \frac{e^{out_m}}{\sum_{k=1}^m e^{out_k}}.$$

# Stochastic Models: Softmax

$$\Pr(\hat{Y}_i = \hat{y}) = \frac{e^{\text{out}_{\hat{y}}}}{\sum_{k=1}^m e^{\text{out}_k}}.$$

# Binary Classification

- Special case where  $Y_i \in \{0,1\}$  or  $Y_i \in \{-1,1\}$ 
  - Typically 1 is called the “positive class”
- Parametric models need only have one output, not  $m = 2$ 
  - This output encodes the probability of the positive class.
  - The probability of the negative class is  $1 - \text{Pr}(\text{positive class})$ .
- The output of the model must be scaled to  $[0,1]$ .
  - This can be done using the logistic function (sigmoid):

$$\text{Pr}(\hat{Y}_i = 1) = \sigma(\text{out}_1),$$

where  $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ , and

$$\text{Pr}(\hat{Y}_i = 0) = 1 - \text{Pr}(\hat{Y}_i = 1).$$



# Loss Functions for Classification

- There are many loss functions for classification.
  - You can make your own that is tailored to your problem!
- Cross-Entropy Loss (log loss) is the most common.

$$\text{Cross-Entropy Loss}(w, D) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left( \text{Pr}(Y_i = \hat{Y}_i) \right).$$


- The  $\frac{1}{n}$  is sometimes omitted (it makes no difference).

# Logistic Regression

- **Logistic regression** uses the **logistic model** or **logit model**
  - Essentially a linear parametric model for classification

$$\Pr(\hat{Y}_i = 1 | X_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w \cdot \phi(X_i)}}.$$

$\sigma(w \cdot \phi(X_i))$



- Use cross-entropy loss
  - Equivalent to maximizing the “likelihood” of the data given the model.

$$\text{Cross-Entropy Loss}(w, D) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left( \Pr(Y_i = \hat{Y}_i) \right).$$

# Stochastic → Deterministic Models

- During training often models are viewed as stochastic (minimizing cross-entropy loss).
- If the model is highly confident of the class for an input, the output for that class will be come large
  - No matter how large it is, the resulting probability of the label will not be 1

$$\Pr(\hat{Y}_i = 1|X_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w \cdot \phi(X_i)}}.$$

- To enable models to make deterministic predictions, often models are *evaluated* (and then deployed to make predictions for new data) as deterministic models, even if they are trained as stochastic models.

# Example: Iris Data (nothing new!)

```
# Load the Iris dataset
iris = load_iris()
X = iris.data
y = iris.target

# Convert to PyTorch tensors
X_tensor = torch.tensor(X, dtype=torch.float32)
y_tensor = torch.tensor(y, dtype=torch.long)    # NOTE: The labels are now integers

# Train/test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_tensor, y_tensor, test_size=0.5, random_state=42)
```

# Create ANN model (3 classes, 3 outputs!)

```
# Define the ANN model
class ANN(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self):
        super(ANN, self).__init__()
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(4, 10) # 4 input features, 10 hidden nodes
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(10, 3) # 3 output classes NOTE: One output per class

    def forward(self, x):
        x = torch.relu(self.fc1(x))
        x = self.fc2(x)
        return x
```

# Prepare for Training (select classification loss!)

```
model = ANN()

# Define loss function and optimizer
criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss() # NOTE: We select a classification loss
optimizer = optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=0.001)

# Training the model
epochs = 10000
train_losses = []
test_losses = []
```

# Train (nothing new!)

```
for epoch in range(epochs):
    optimizer.zero_grad()
    outputs = model(X_train)
    loss = criterion(outputs, y_train)
    loss.backward()
    optimizer.step()
    train_losses.append(loss.item())

    # Evaluation step on testing set
    with torch.no_grad():
        test_outputs = model(X_test)
        test_loss = criterion(test_outputs, y_test)
        test_losses.append(test_loss.item())

print(f'Epoch {epoch+1}/{epochs}, Training Loss: {loss.item()}, Test Loss: {test_loss.item()}')
```

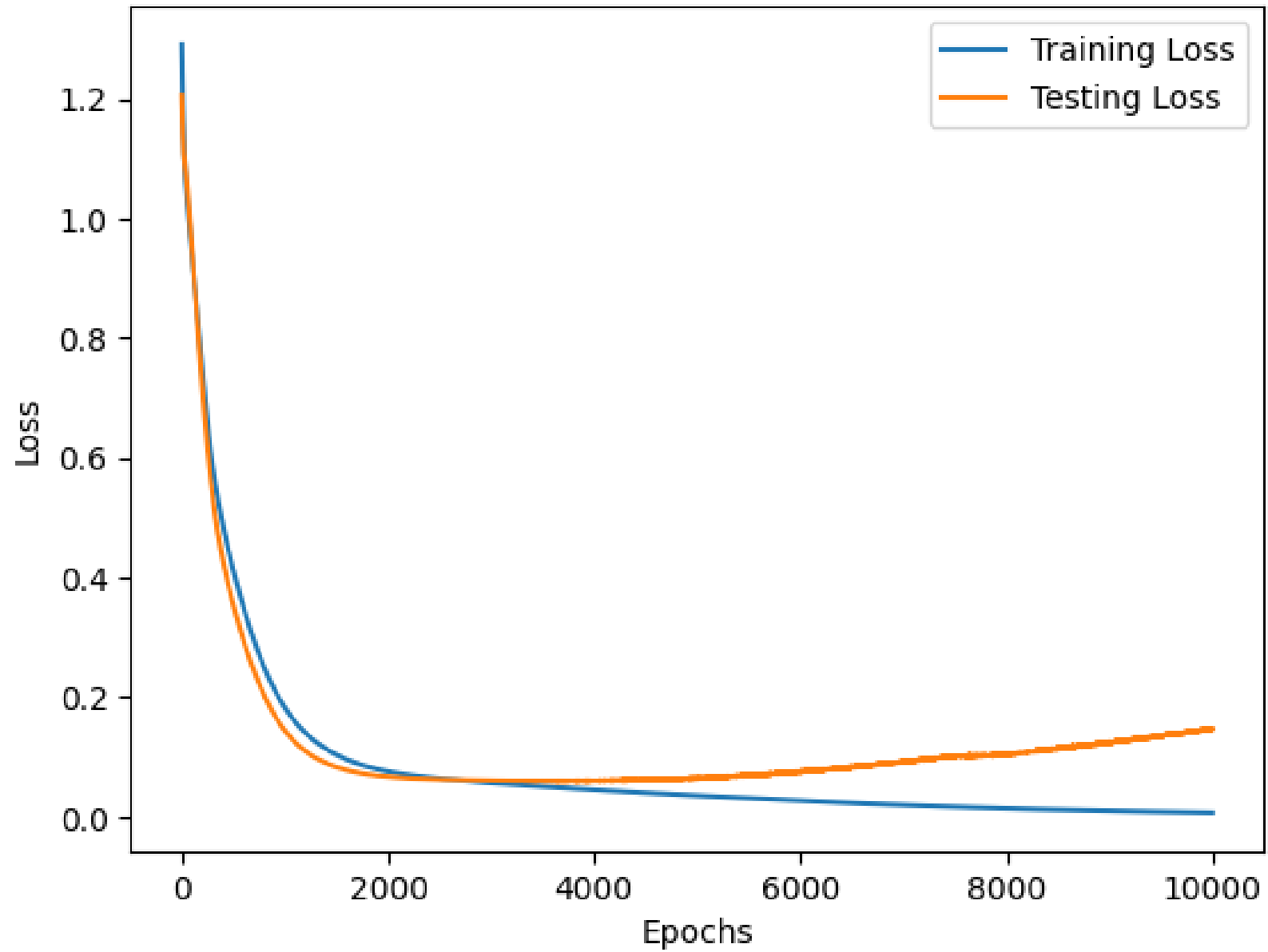
# Plot train/test loss (nothing new!)

```
# Plotting the training and testing losses over epochs
plt.plot(range(epochs), train_losses, label='Training Loss')
plt.plot(range(epochs), test_losses, label='Testing Loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.title('Training and Testing Loss Over Epochs')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Epoch 1/10000, Training Loss: 1.290357232093811, Test Loss: 1.2053983211517334  
Epoch 2/10000, Training Loss: 1.2780585289001465, Test Loss: 1.1973154544830322  
Epoch 3/10000, Training Loss: 1.2661762237548828, Test Loss: 1.1896122694015503  
Epoch 4/10000, Training Loss: 1.2547130584716797, Test Loss: 1.1822878122329712  
Epoch 5/10000, Training Loss: 1.243670105934143, Test Loss: 1.1753385066986084  
Epoch 6/10000, Training Loss: 1.2330485582351685, Test Loss: 1.1687607765197754  
Epoch 7/10000, Training Loss: 1.22284734249115, Test Loss: 1.1625487804412842  
Epoch 8/10000, Training Loss: 1.2130643129348755, Test Loss: 1.1566953659057617  
Epoch 9/10000, Training Loss: 1.2036962509155273, Test Loss: 1.151192307472229  
Epoch 10/10000, Training Loss: 1.1947381496429443, Test Loss: 1.1460297107696533  
Epoch 11/10000, Training Loss: 1.1861834526062012, Test Loss: 1.1411958932876587  
Epoch 12/10000, Training Loss: 1.1780245304107666, Test Loss: 1.136678695678711  
Epoch 13/10000, Training Loss: 1.1702523231506348, Test Loss: 1.132463812828064  
Epoch 14/10000, Training Loss: 1.1628566980361938, Test Loss: 1.1285368204116821  
Epoch 15/10000, Training Loss: 1.155826210975647, Test Loss: 1.1248811483383179  
Epoch 16/10000, Training Loss: 1.149147868156433, Test Loss: 1.1214805841445923  
Epoch 17/10000, Training Loss: 1.1428083181381226, Test Loss: 1.1183172464370728  
Epoch 18/10000, Training Loss: 1.1367932558059692, Test Loss: 1.1153732538223267  
Epoch 19/10000, Training Loss: 1.131087303161621, Test Loss: 1.1126306056976318  
Epoch 20/10000, Training Loss: 1.1256749629974365, Test Loss: 1.110071063041687  
Epoch 21/10000, Training Loss: 1.1205400228500366, Test Loss: 1.1076765060424805  
Epoch 22/10000, Training Loss: 1.1156669855117798, Test Loss: 1.1054294109344482  
Epoch 23/10000, Training Loss: 1.1110390424728394, Test Loss: 1.103312373161316  
Epoch 24/10000, Training Loss: 1.1066404581069946, Test Loss: 1.1013092994689941  
Epoch 25/10000, Training Loss: 1.102455735206604, Test Loss: 1.0994044542312622  
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Epoch 9997/10000, Training Loss: 0.007228388916701078, Test Loss: 0.14779852330684662  
Epoch 9998/10000, Training Loss: 0.007248805370181799, Test Loss: 0.14795559644699097  
Epoch 9999/10000, Training Loss: 0.007262388709932566, Test Loss: 0.1473187506198883  
Epoch 10000/10000, Training Loss: 0.0072497655637562275, Test Loss: 0.1468295454978943

### Training and Testing Loss Over Epochs

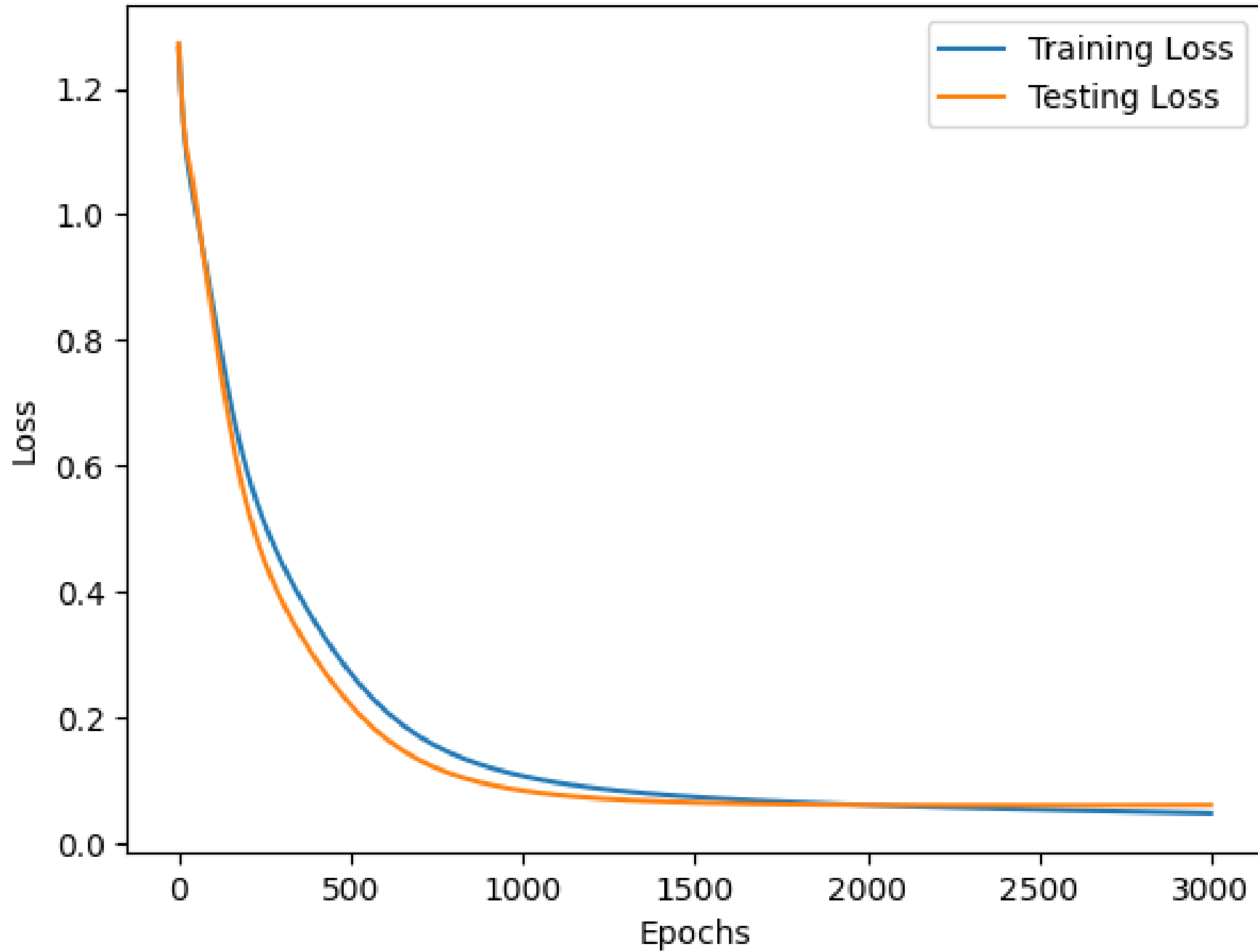


# Over-fitting

- We will use early stopping, stopping after 3,000 epochs.
- **Note:** Ideally, we would use a validation set to determine when to stop rather than the actual test error.

Epoch 1/3000, Training Loss: 1.2640759944915771, Test Loss: 1.27169930934906  
Epoch 2/3000, Training Loss: 1.2523120641708374, Test Loss: 1.2588136196136475  
Epoch 3/3000, Training Loss: 1.2410619258880615, Test Loss: 1.246541976928711  
Epoch 4/3000, Training Loss: 1.2302714586257935, Test Loss: 1.234955906867981  
Epoch 5/3000, Training Loss: 1.2199515104293823, Test Loss: 1.224029541015625  
Epoch 6/3000, Training Loss: 1.210060477256775, Test Loss: 1.2137163877487183  
Epoch 7/3000, Training Loss: 1.2006133794784546, Test Loss: 1.2039904594421387  
Epoch 8/3000, Training Loss: 1.1915860176086426, Test Loss: 1.1948440074920654  
Epoch 9/3000, Training Loss: 1.1829493045806885, Test Loss: 1.1862380504608154  
Epoch 10/3000, Training Loss: 1.1747429370880127, Test Loss: 1.178145408630371  
Epoch 11/3000, Training Loss: 1.1669117212295532, Test Loss: 1.1705280542373657  
Epoch 12/3000, Training Loss: 1.1594367027282715, Test Loss: 1.163350224494934  
Epoch 13/3000, Training Loss: 1.1523357629776, Test Loss: 1.1565824747085571  
Epoch 14/3000, Training Loss: 1.145584225654602, Test Loss: 1.1501802206039429  
Epoch 15/3000, Training Loss: 1.1391065120697021, Test Loss: 1.1441161632537842  
Epoch 16/3000, Training Loss: 1.1328951120376587, Test Loss: 1.1383739709854126  
Epoch 17/3000, Training Loss: 1.1269614696502686, Test Loss: 1.1329452991485596  
Epoch 18/3000, Training Loss: 1.121305227279663, Test Loss: 1.1278512477874756  
Epoch 19/3000, Training Loss: 1.1158807277679443, Test Loss: 1.1230573654174805  
Epoch 20/3000, Training Loss: 1.1106503009796143, Test Loss: 1.1185215711593628  
Epoch 21/3000, Training Loss: 1.1056286096572876, Test Loss: 1.114198923110962  
Epoch 22/3000, Training Loss: 1.100834846496582, Test Loss: 1.1101927757263184  
Epoch 23/3000, Training Loss: 1.0962785482406616, Test Loss: 1.1065083742141724  
Epoch 24/3000, Training Loss: 1.0920391082763672, Test Loss: 1.1030521392822266  
Epoch 25/3000, Training Loss: 1.0880424976348877, Test Loss: 1.099786400794983  
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Epoch 2997/3000, Training Loss: 0.04753931611776352, Test Loss: 0.06095428392291069  
Epoch 2998/3000, Training Loss: 0.04752859100699425, Test Loss: 0.06095632538199425  
Epoch 2999/3000, Training Loss: 0.04751782864332199, Test Loss: 0.06095853075385094  
Epoch 3000/3000, Training Loss: 0.04750705510377884, Test Loss: 0.06096077710390091

# Training and Testing Loss Over Epochs



# Is the model good?

- We have achieved a cross-entropy loss of roughly 0.06.
  - Is that good?
- Other evaluation metrics are often used to determine the quality of a model.

# Evaluation Metric: Accuracy

The accuracy is the proportion of correct predictions to the total number of predictions:

$$\text{accuracy} = \frac{\text{number of correct predictions}}{\text{total number of predictions}}.$$

- While relatively simple, accuracy can be misleading if the class distribution is imbalanced.

Empirical probabilities of labels in the test set:

Label 0: 0.39

Label 1: 0.31

Label 2: 0.31

- In this case, 96% accuracy is decent!

```
# Switch model to evaluation mode
model.eval()

# Calculate the number of correct predictions
with torch.no_grad():
    outputs = model(X_test)
    _, predicted = torch.max(outputs.data, 1)
    total = y_test.size(0)
    correct = (predicted == y_test).sum().item()

# Calculate accuracy
accuracy = 100 * correct / total
print(f'Accuracy on the test set: {accuracy:.2f}%')
```

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Accuracy on the test set: 96.00%

# Evaluation Metric: Confusion Matrix

- Accuracy doesn't provide information about what kinds of errors are common
  - Which classes are often confused?
- The **confusion matrix** provides this information. It is a matrix with one row per class and one column per class
  - The  $(i, j)^{\text{th}}$  entry holds the probability that a row with actual class  $i$  is classified as class  $j$ .
  - In some cases the matrix reports the number of errors of each type, rather than the estimated probability.



# Confusion Matrix

```
# Get predictions
with torch.no_grad():
    outputs = model(X_test)
    _, predicted = torch.max(outputs, 1)

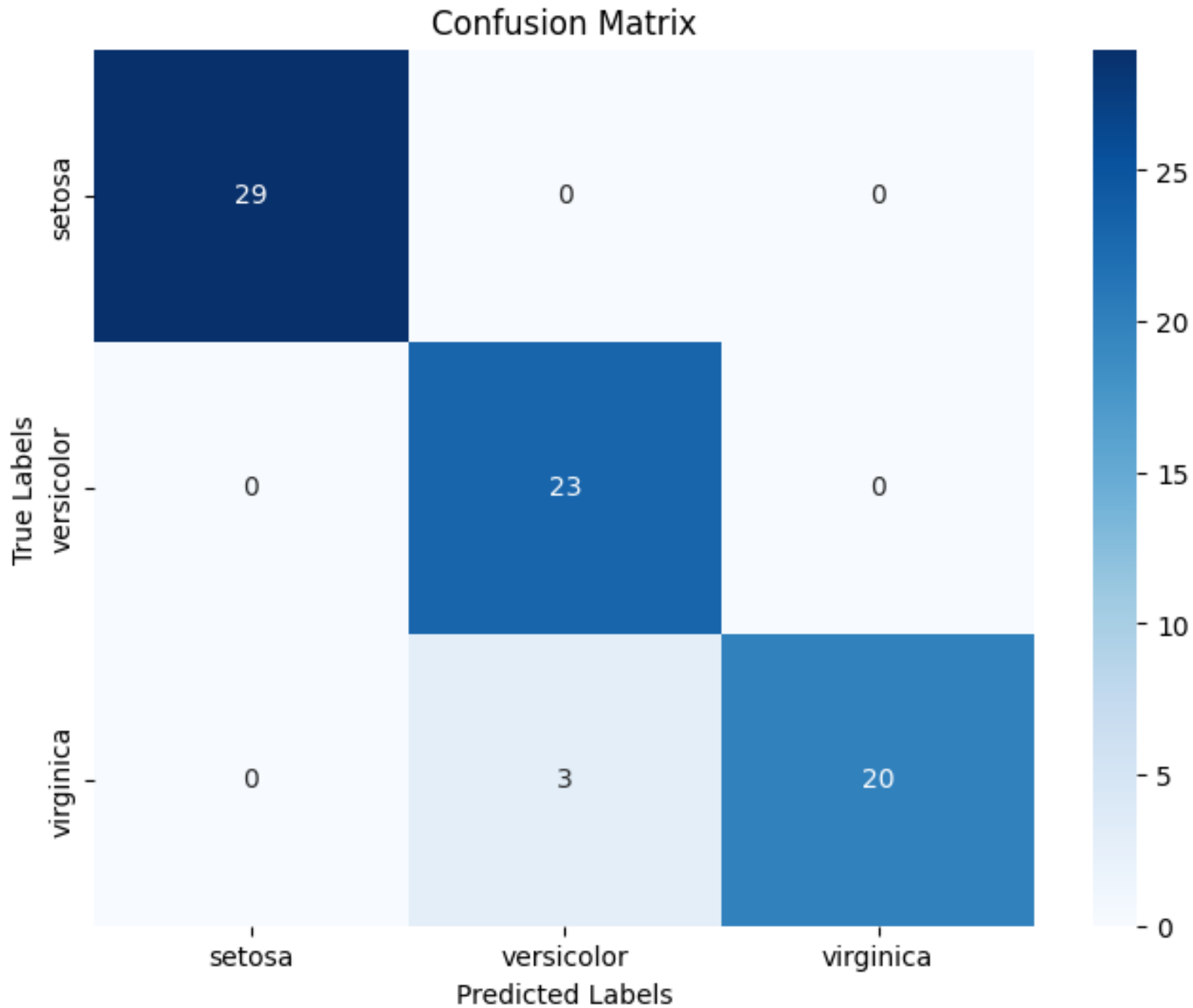
# Compute the confusion matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test.numpy(), predicted.numpy())

# Plotting the confusion matrix
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt='g', cmap='Blues', xticklabels=iris.target_names, yticklabels=iris.target_names)
plt.xlabel('Predicted Labels')
plt.ylabel('True Labels')
plt.title('Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()
```

Deterministic model for evaluation

confusion\_matrix comes from scikit-learn

Our model tends to misclassify “virginica” iris plants as “versicolor” iris plants.



# Evaluation Metric: Precision, Recall, and F1 Score

- For *binary classification* tasks, statistics like **precision**, **recall**, and the **F1 score** are often used to evaluate models.
  - Note: These are often used even when the loss function used in training measures something else, like cross-entropy loss.
- These metrics are expressed in terms of the following statistics:

1. **True Positive (TP)**: The number of points (rows) with label 1 and where the model predicted 1.
2. **False Positive (FP)**: The number of points (rows) with label 0, but where the model predicted 1.
3. **False Negative (FN)**: The number of points (rows) with label 1, but where the model predicted 0.
4. **True Negative (TN)**: The number of points (rows) with label 0 and where the model predicted 0.

# Deterministic Classifiers

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**Recall** measures the ratio of the correctly predicted positive labels to the total number of positives. That is:

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}}.$$

# Stochastic Classifiers

$$\text{Precision} = \Pr(Y_i = 1 | \hat{Y}_i = 1),$$

$$\text{Recall} = \Pr(\hat{Y}_i = 1 | Y_i = 1).$$

# F1 Score

- The  $F_1$  score (often written “F1 score”) combines precision and recall:

$$F_1 \text{ Score} = 2 \frac{\text{precision} \cdot \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}}$$

- This is the *harmonic mean* of the precision and recall
  - Places more weight on low values relative to the arithmetic mean
- F1 score ranges from 0 to 1, where 1 denotes perfect precision and recall, and 0 means that either precision or recall is zero.

# Evaluation Metric: ROC

- The **receiver operating characteristic** (ROC) curve is a common metric for *binary* classification problems.
- Assumes that the single model output is compared to a threshold.
  - If the output is above the threshold, the prediction is 1 (positive)
  - If the output is below the threshold, the prediction is 0 (negative)
- Tuning the threshold can adjust the tradeoff between different types of errors
  - Too many false positives → increase the threshold
  - Too many false negatives → decrease the threshold
- Note: The model is still trained using a common loss function like cross-entropy loss!

# Evaluation Metric: ROC

- The ROC curve is a plot of the false positive rate (FPR) and true positive rate (TPR) that a model achieves when the threshold is varied.

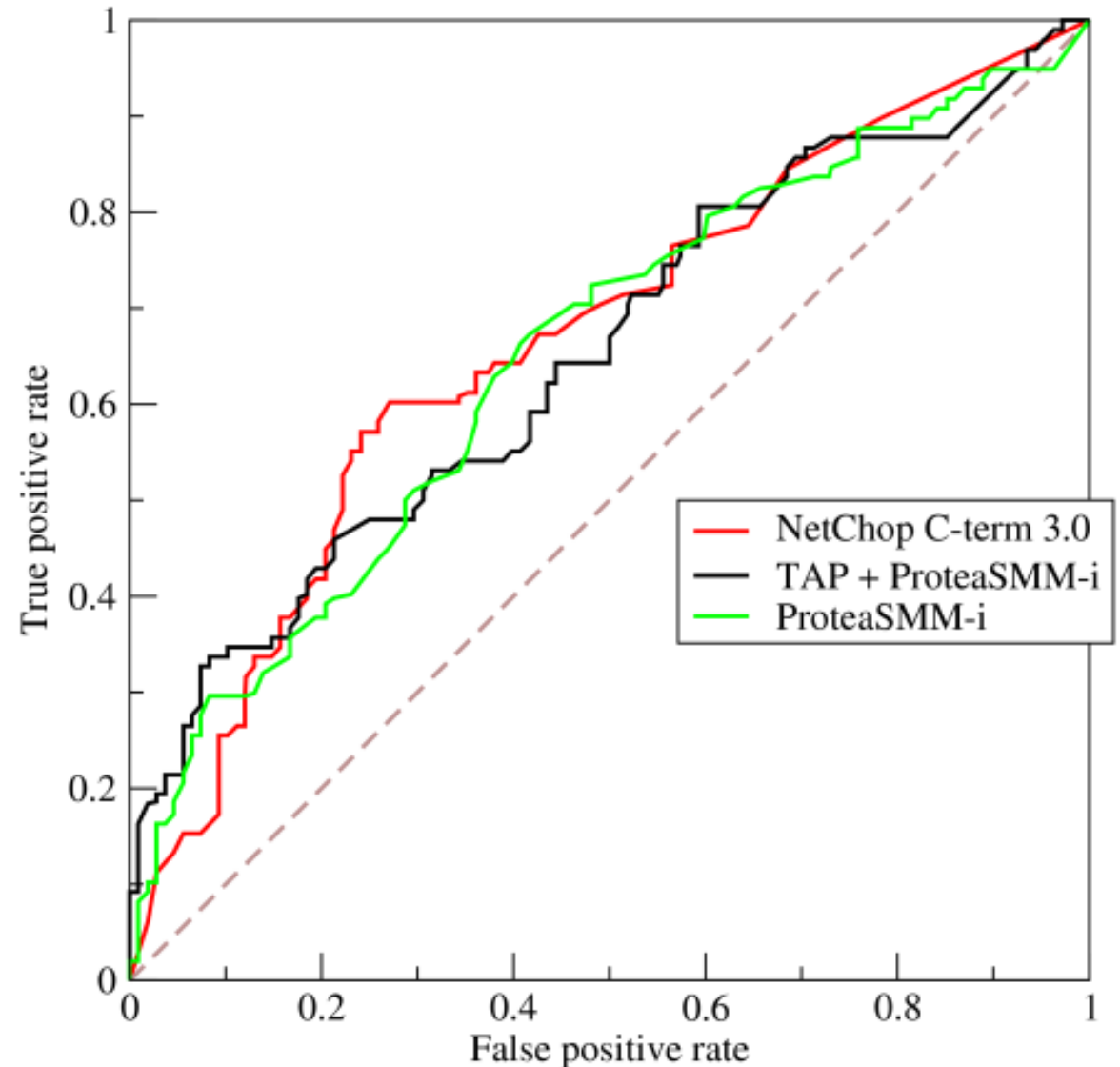
$$\text{FPR} = \frac{\text{FP}}{\text{FP} + \text{TN}}$$

$$\text{TPR} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}}$$



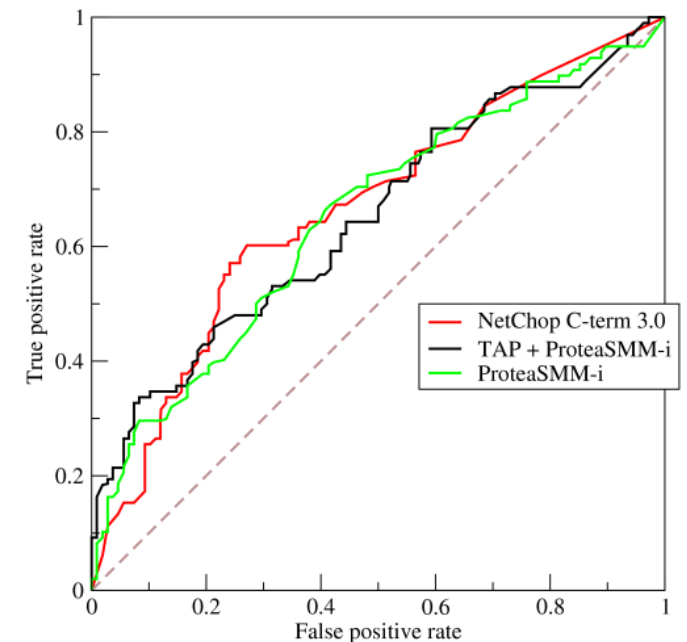
# Example ROC Curve

- Curves closer to the top left corner correspond to better models.
- A classifier that ignores the inputs and outputs a uniform random number in  $[0,1]$  results in a diagonal line from  $(0,0)$  to  $(1,1)$



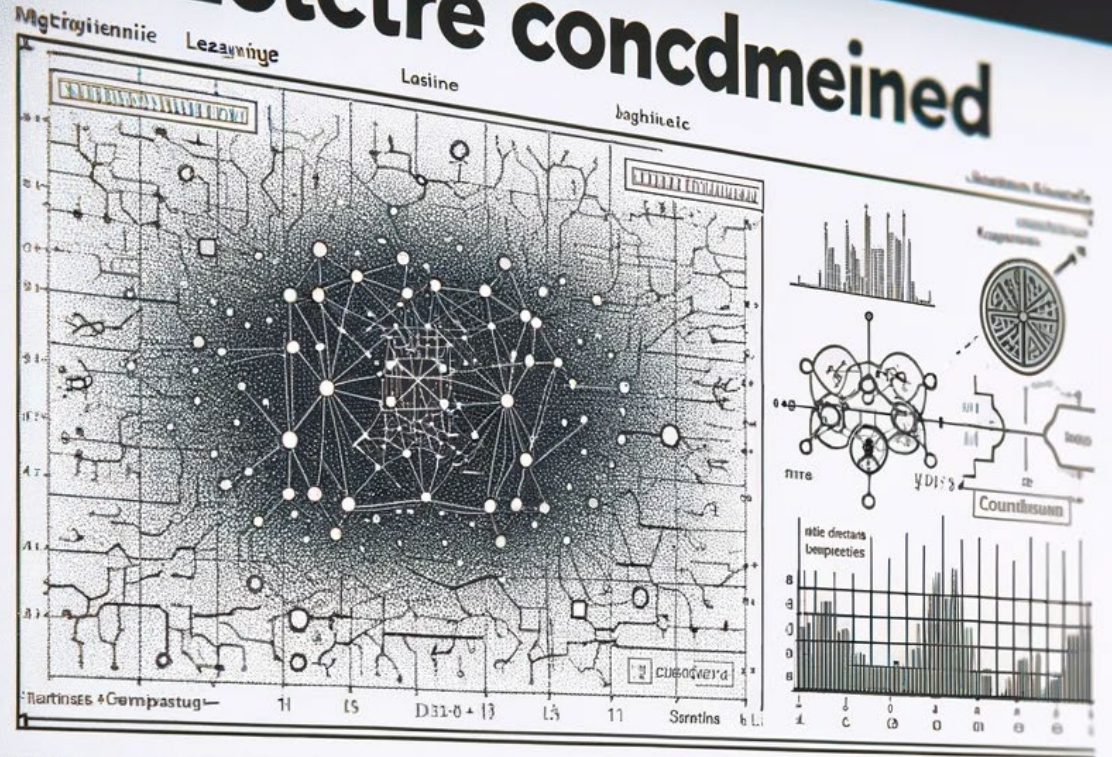
# Evaluation Metric: Area Under the ROC Curve (AUC)

- The AUC summarizes the ROC curve with a single number: The area under the ROC curve.
- The best possible value is 1.
- A pessimal model (one that always gets the prediction wrong) would have an AUC of zero.
- The random classifier achieves an AUC of 0.5



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