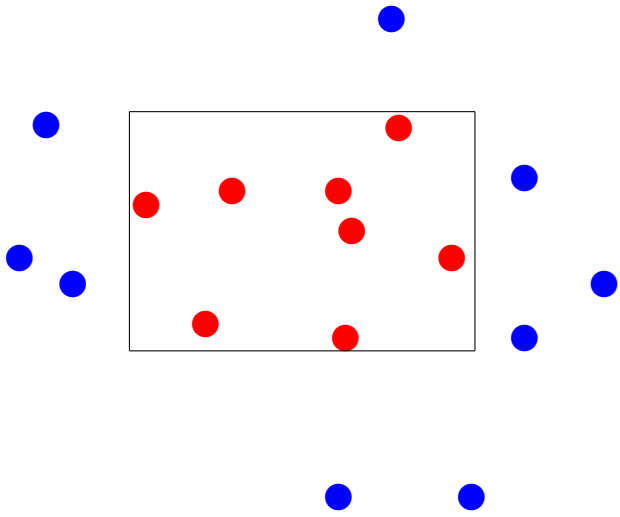
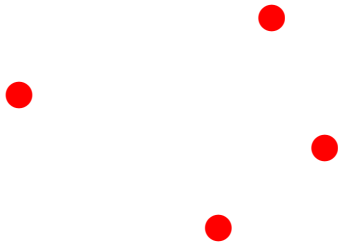


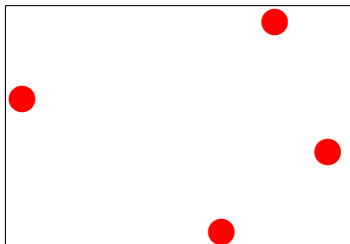
# Honest Compressions and Their Application to Compression Schemes

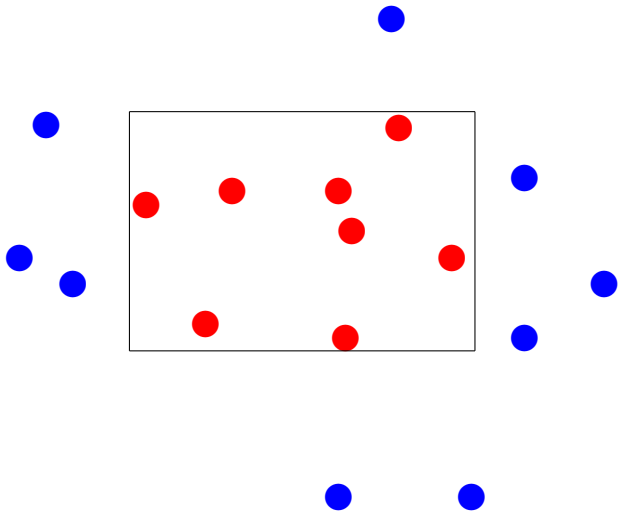
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For every concept class  $\mathcal{C}$  we associate a family of concept classes:  
 $\mathcal{AL}\mathcal{T}_m(\mathcal{C})$ .

We don't need model theory to *state* our statement.  
We don't need model theory to *prove* our statement.

An  $\langle M; (R_i), (f_j), (c_k) \rangle$ -structure

- A set  $M$ .
- Relations  $(R_i)$  over  $M$ .
- Functions  $(f_j)$  whose domain and image are  $M$ .
- Distinguished elements  $(c_k)$  of  $M$  referred to as *constants*.

$$\varphi(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}) :=$$

$$(\exists z_1, z_2)(z_1 = \times(x_1, y_1) \wedge z_2 = \times(x_2, y_2) \wedge (\exists z_3)(z_3 = +(z_1, z_2)) \wedge \geq(z_3, 0)).$$

Says “The scalar product of  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  is positive”.

$$\phi(M; \mathbf{c}) = \{\mathbf{a} \in M^{|\mathbf{x}|} : M \models \phi(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c})\}.$$

This is a definable concept.

If  $\text{VC-dim}(\{\varphi(M, \mathbf{c}); \mathbf{c} \in M^c\}) < \infty$ , we say  $\varphi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  has NIP.

Let  $\phi(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y})$  be an NIP-formula. There exists a formula  $\psi(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{z})$  such that for any finite subset  $A \subset M$  and tuple  $\mathbf{c} \in M$ , there is some  $\mathbf{d} \in A^{|\mathbf{z}|}$  such that  $\phi(A; \mathbf{c}) = \psi(A; \mathbf{d})$ .

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A definable compression scheme for definable concept classes:

Given  $A$  and  $\mathbf{c} \in M$  return  $\mathbf{d} \in A^{|\mathbf{z}|}$  such that  $\phi(A; \mathbf{c}) = \psi(A; \mathbf{d})$ .

For any concept class  $(X, \mathcal{C})$ :

Let  $M = X \cup \mathcal{C}$  and let  $R(x, C)$  hold whenever  $x \in C$ .

Let  $M$  be an NIP structure. The UDTFS holds for all formulas over  $M$ .

$\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq, +, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$

Ben-David and Litman (1995)

$\langle \mathbb{R}, \leq, \exp, +, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$

Johnson and Laskowski (2010)

$\langle \mathbb{Q}_p, |, +, \cdot, 0, 1 \rangle$   
Guingona (2012)

$\langle \mathbb{Z}[X], \prec, +, 0 \rangle$

Chernikov and Simon (2012)

VC classes were introduced in 1971 by  
Vapnik and Chervonenkis



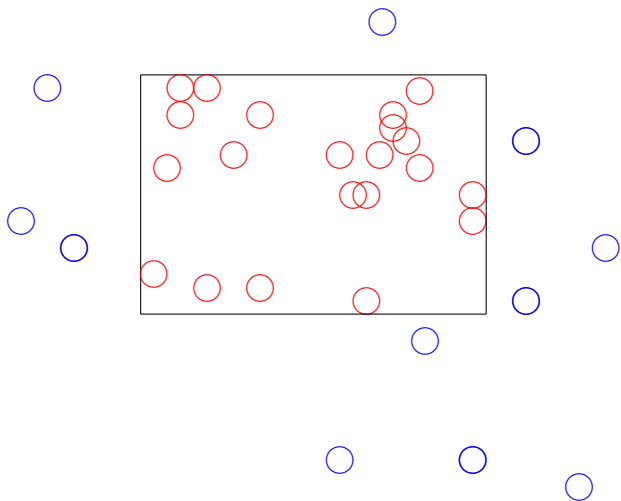
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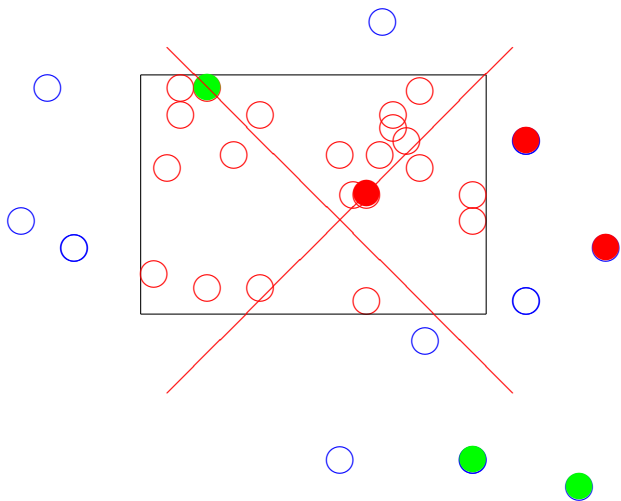
$\varphi(x, \mathbf{y})$  says:

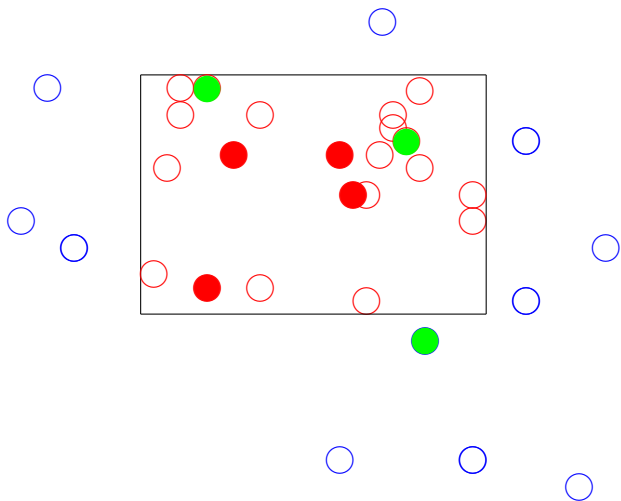
”The sequence  $\langle x, \mathbf{y} \rangle$  doesn't have a subsequence of size  $2d + 1$  with alternating labels for some concept in  $\mathcal{C}$ ”

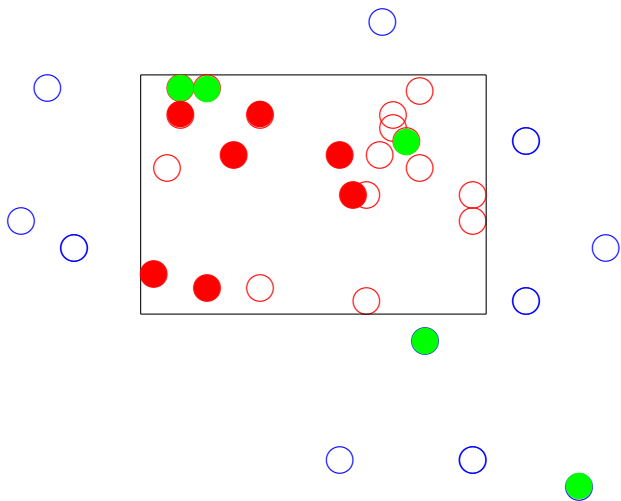
$$\mathcal{ALT}_m(\mathcal{C}) := \{\varphi(X, \bar{\mathbf{y}}) : \bar{\mathbf{y}} \in X^m\}$$

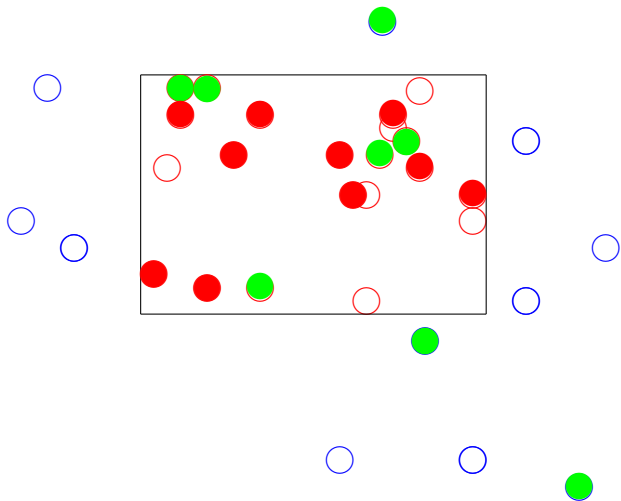
The alternating concept class with respect to sequences of length  $m$  from  $X$ :



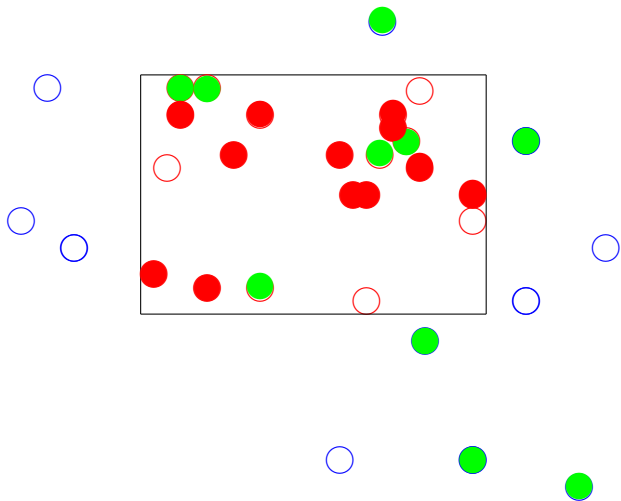


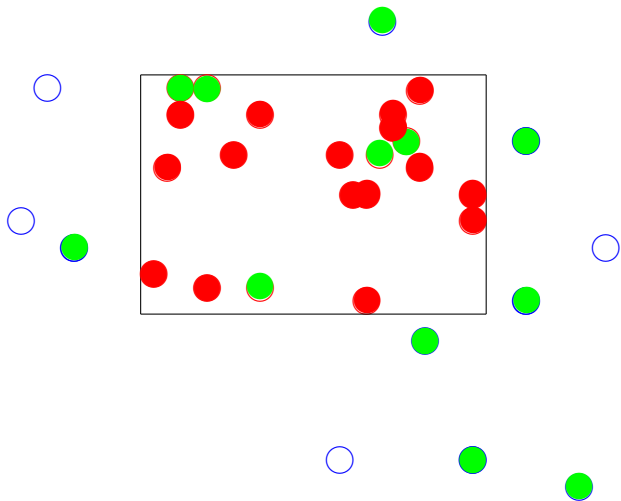












Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a concept class with VC-dimension  $d < k$ . There exists an  $N(d)$  such that if  $A \subseteq X$  has the  $(p, k)$  property, it can be covered by  $N$  concepts in  $\mathcal{C}$ .

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- Output: label

If UDTFS: What can be said on  $\psi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ ?



Do we need finite VC assumption?

(p,k) Theorem for convex sets (Alon and Kleitman (1992)).

Are we going to let model theorists take our jobs???

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