

# Anomaly detection using data depth: multivariate case

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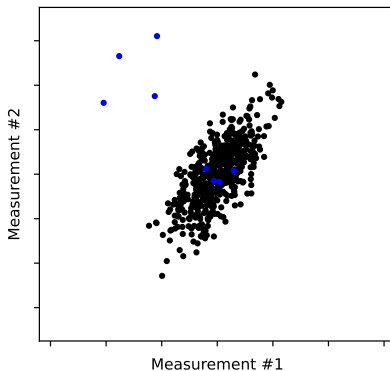
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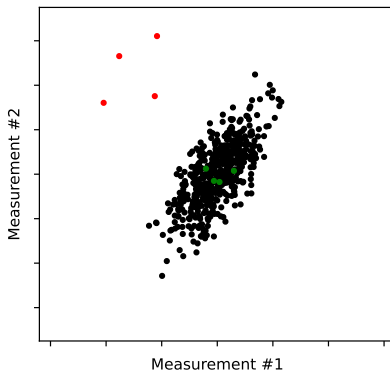


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- ▶ Whether new observations are **normal** data or **anomalies**?

## Multivariate framework

- ▶ A training data set:

$$\mathbf{X}_{tr} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

of observations in the  $d$ -dimensional Euclidean space.

- ▶ Typical example: a table from a data base, with lines being observations (=individuals, items,...).
- ▶ Construct a decision function:

$$\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \{0, 1\} : \mathbf{x} \mapsto g(\mathbf{x}),$$

which attributes to any (possible)  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  a label whether it is an anomaly (e.g., 1) or a normal observation (e.g., 0).

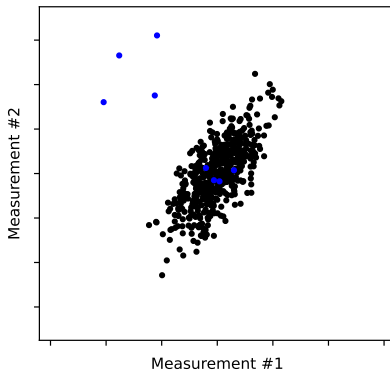
- ▶ It is more useful to provide an ordering on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ :

$$\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \mathbf{x} \mapsto g(\mathbf{x}),$$

such that abnormal observations obtain differing anomaly score.

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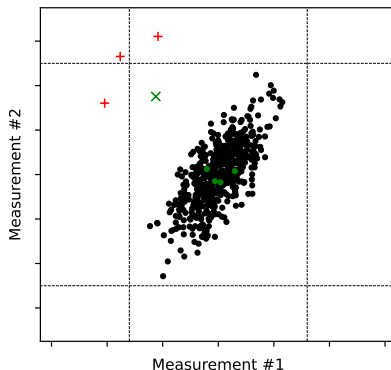


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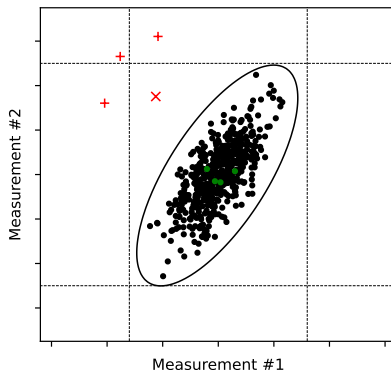
- ▶ Anomaly detection rule using **bounding box**:

$$g_{\text{box}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{X}_{tr}) = \begin{cases} \text{anomaly (=1)}, & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \notin \bigcap_{j=1, \dots, d} (\underline{H}_{j, l_j} \cap \overline{H}_{j, u_j}), \\ \text{normal (=0)}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



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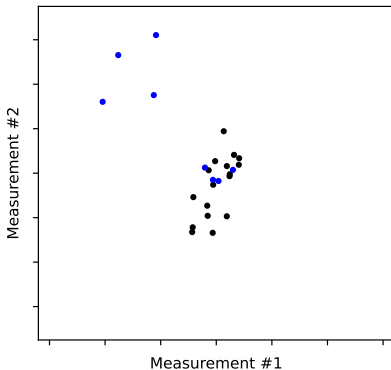
For **new data**, employ:

- ▶ Anomaly detection rule using **Mahalanobis depth**:

$$g_{\text{Mah}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{X}_{tr}) = \begin{cases} \text{anomaly,} & \text{if } D^{\text{Mah}}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{X}_{tr}) < t_{\text{Mah},\mathbf{X}_{tr}}, \\ \text{normal,} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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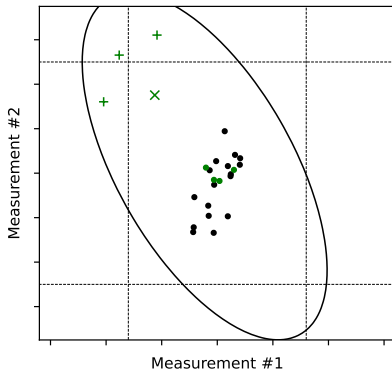


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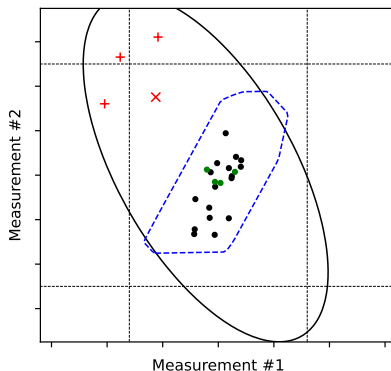
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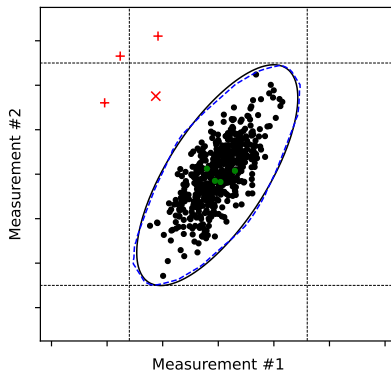
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Now **back to big data** set with two measurements:



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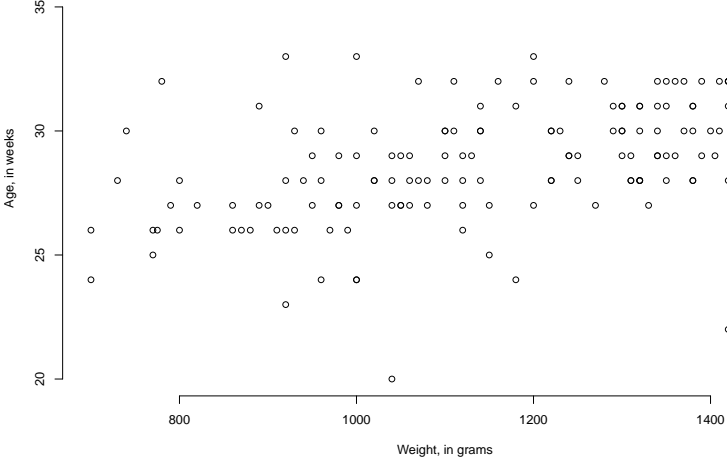
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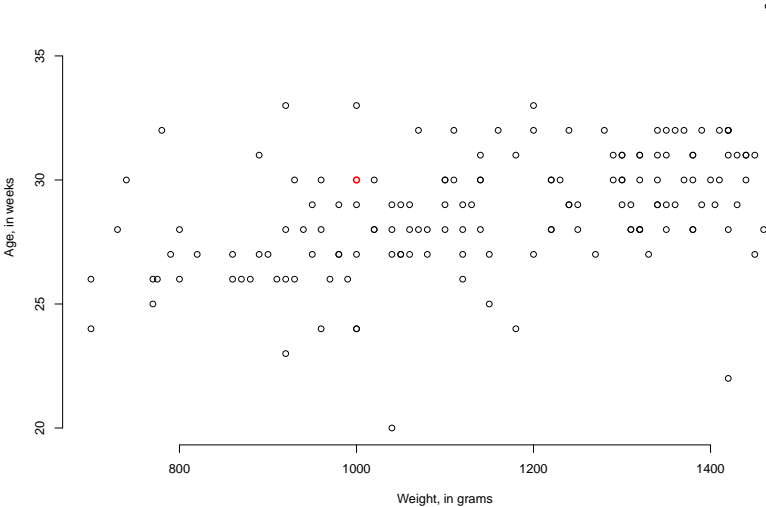
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## Statistical data depth

A **data depth** measures how **close** a given point is located to the **center** of a distribution. For  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and a  $p$ -variate random vector  $X$  distributed as  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ , a data depth is a function

$$D : \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow [0, 1], (\mathbf{x}, P) \mapsto D(\mathbf{x}|P)$$

that is:

- D1 translation invariant:**  $D(\mathbf{x} + b|X + b) = D(\mathbf{x}|X)$  for any  $b \in \mathbb{R}^p$ ;
- D2 linear invariant:**  $D(A\mathbf{x}|AX) = D(\mathbf{x}|X)$  for any  $p \times p$  non-singular matrix  $A$ ;
- D3 vanishing at infinity:**  $\lim_{\|\mathbf{x}\| \rightarrow \infty} D(\mathbf{x}|X) = 0$ ;
- D4 monotone on rays:** for any  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p} D(\mathbf{x}|X)$ , any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ , and any  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  it holds:  
 $D(\mathbf{x}|X) \leq D(\mathbf{x}^* + \alpha(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^*)|X)$ ;
- D5 upper semicontinuous in  $\mathbf{x}$ :** the upper-level sets  $D_\alpha(X) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p : D(\mathbf{x}|X) \geq \alpha\}$  are closed for all  $\alpha$ .

## Halfspace (=Tukey, location) depth

**Tukey (1975) — “Mathematics and the picturing of data”**

Halfspace depth of  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  w.r.t. a  $d$ -variate random vector  $X$  distributed as  $P$  is defined as the smallest probability mass of a closed halfspace containing  $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$D^h(\mathbf{x}|X) = \inf\{P(H) : H \text{ is a closed halfspace, } \mathbf{x} \in H\},$$

and w.r.t. a data set  $\mathbf{X} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ :

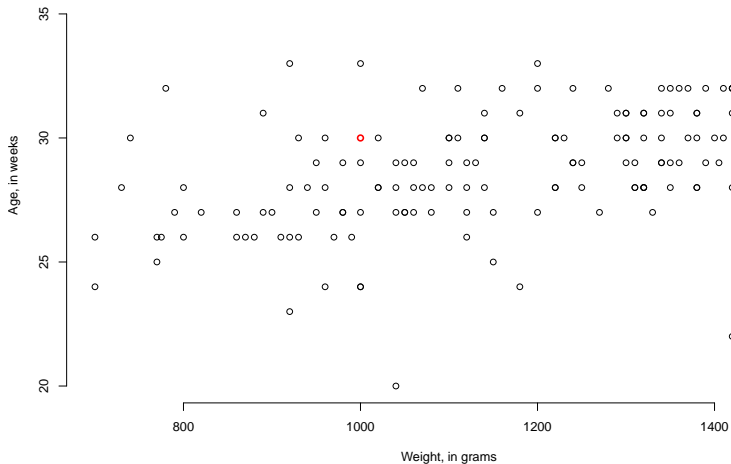
$$D^{h(n)}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{n} \min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{S}^{p-1}} \#\{i : \mathbf{u}'\mathbf{x}_i \geq \mathbf{u}'\mathbf{x}\}.$$

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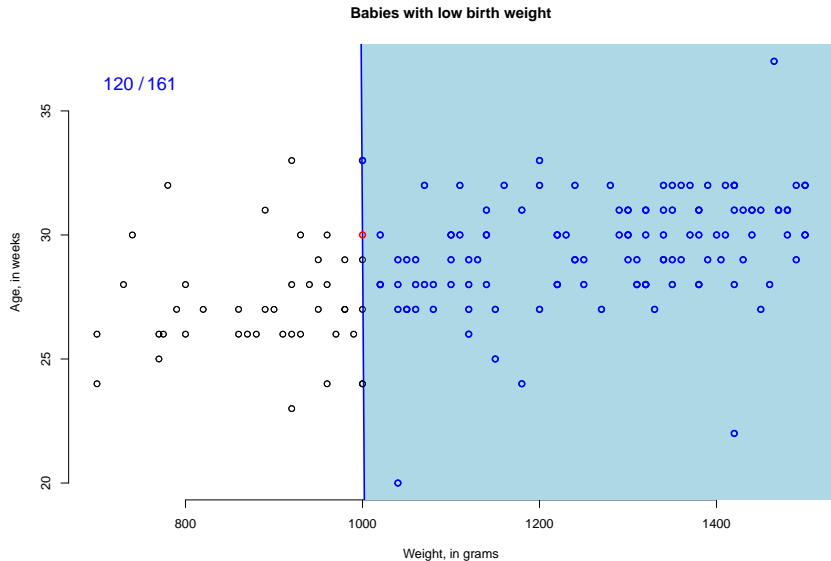
- ▶ satisfies all the above postulates,
- ▶ is purely non-parametric and robust,
- ▶ has direct connection to quantiles and many applications.

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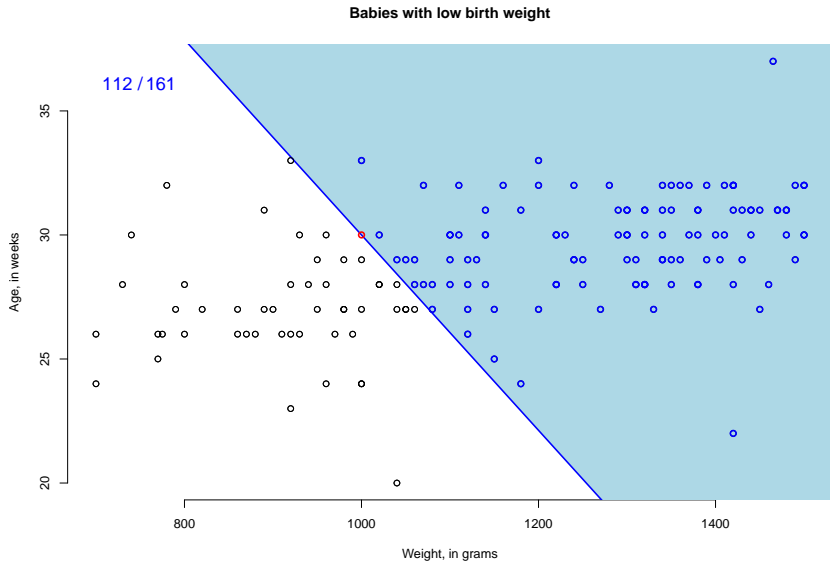
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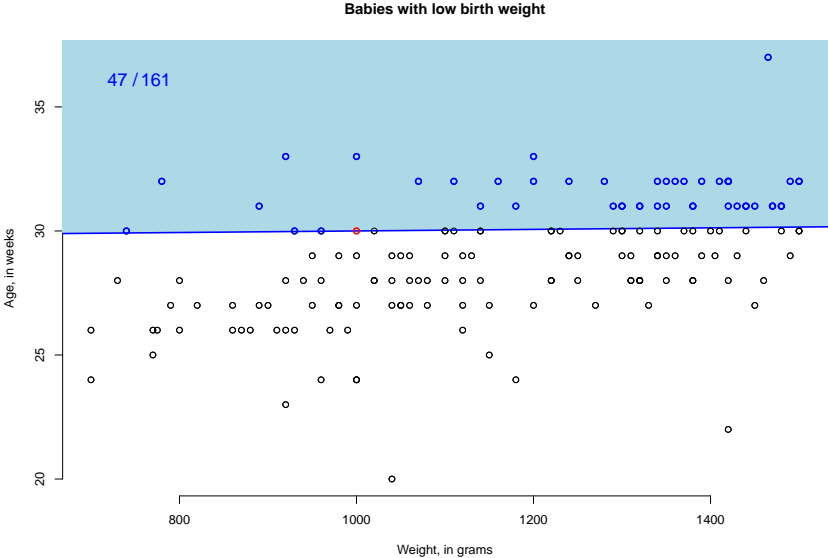
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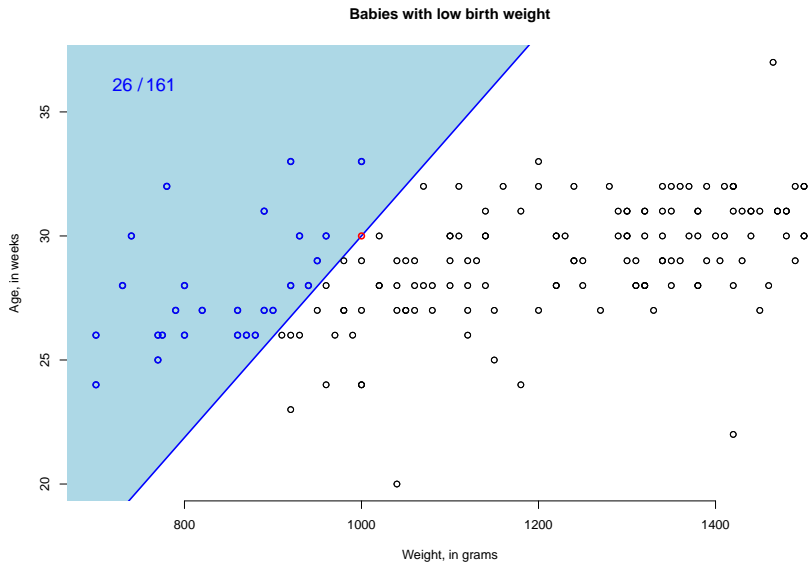
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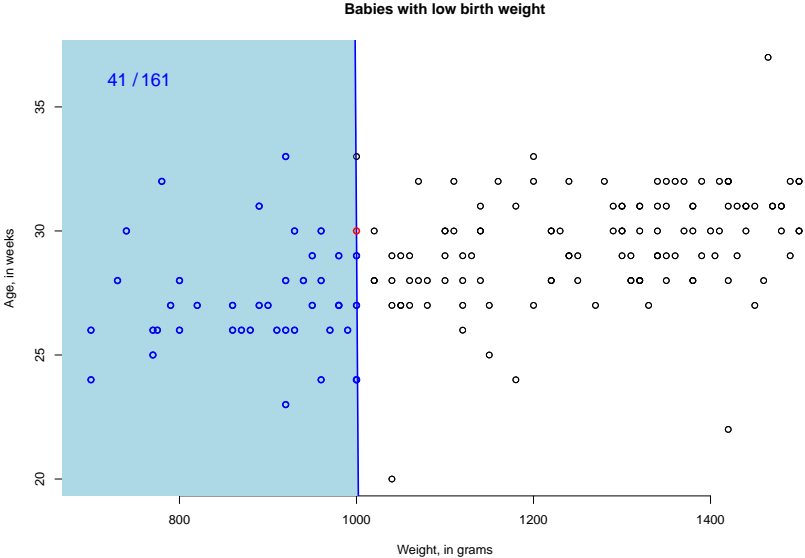
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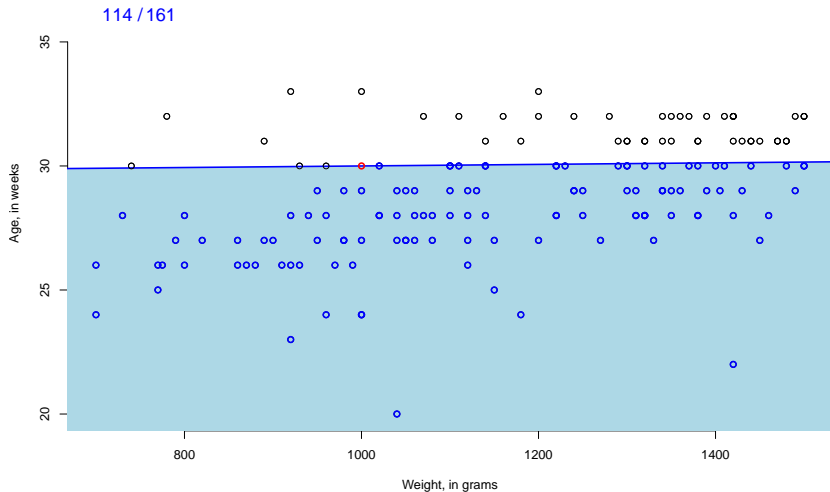


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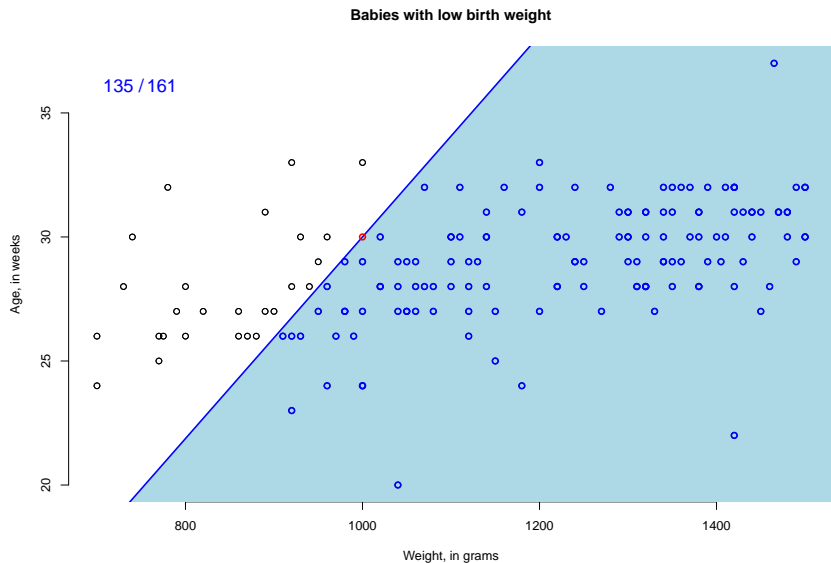


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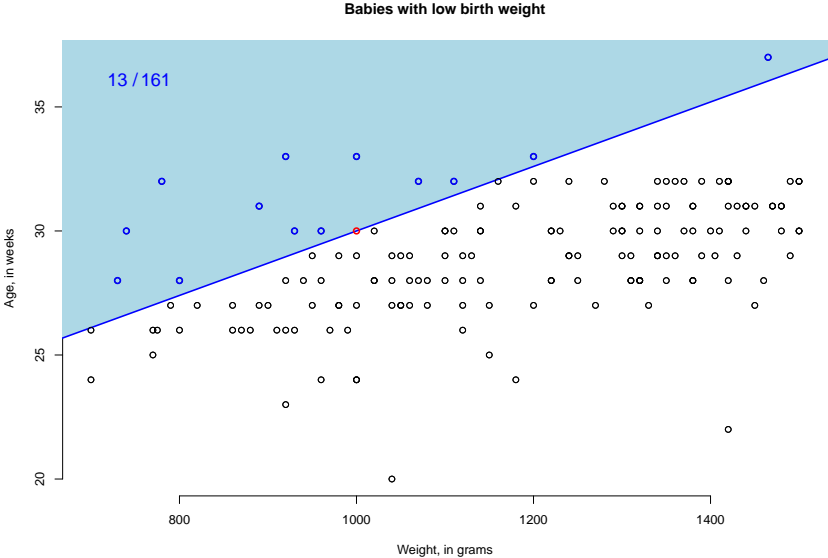
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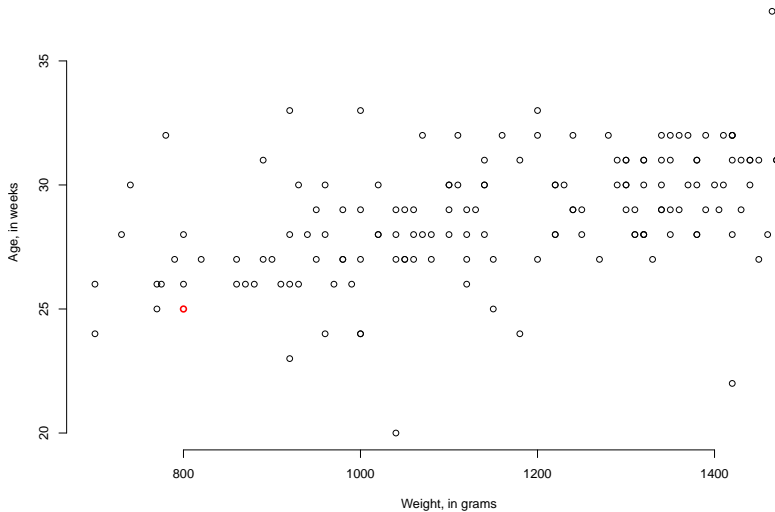


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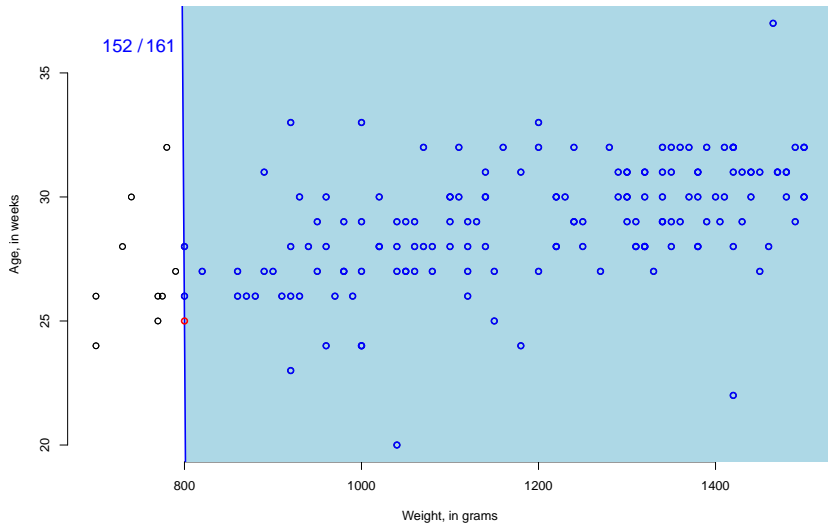
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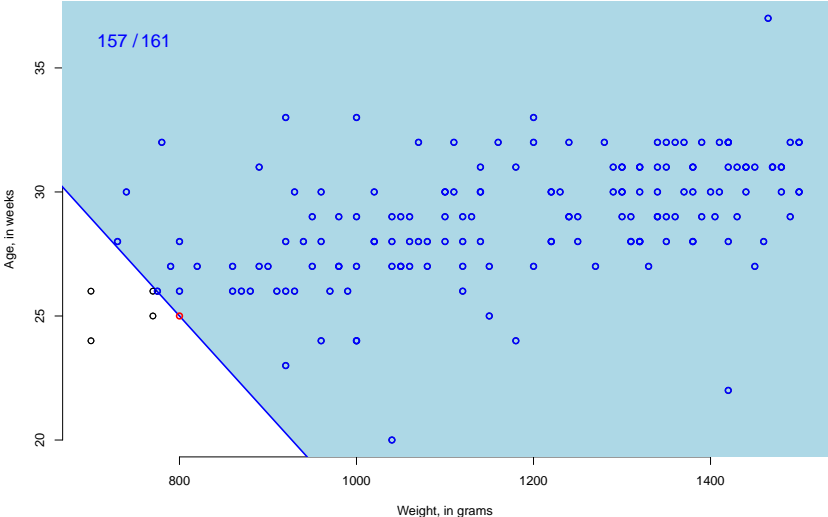
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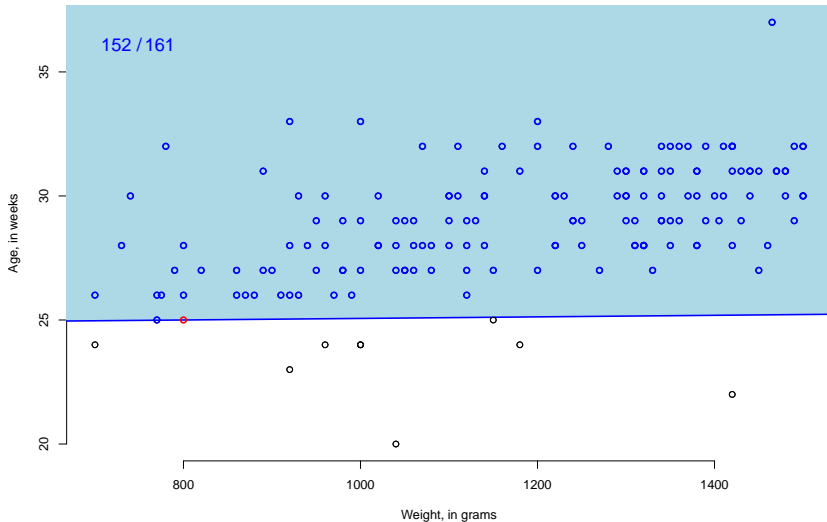
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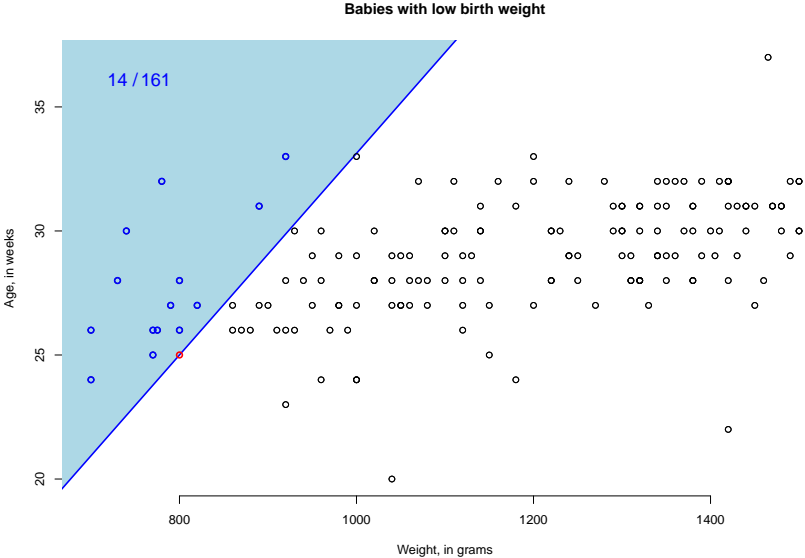
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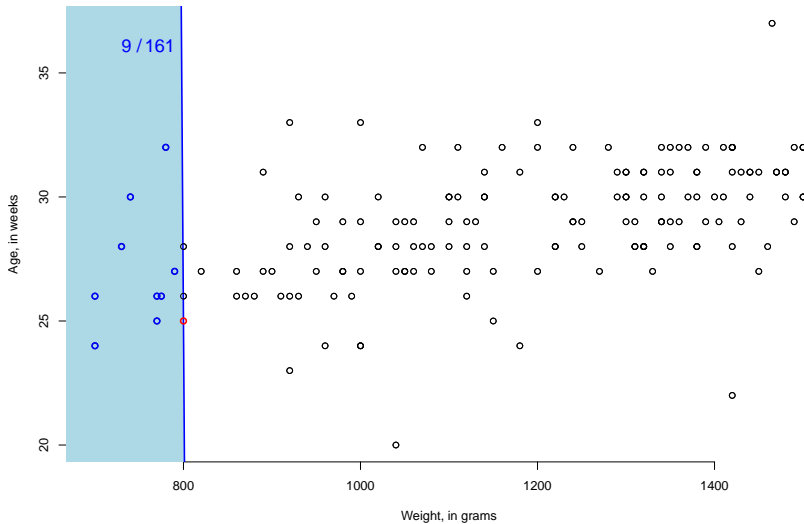


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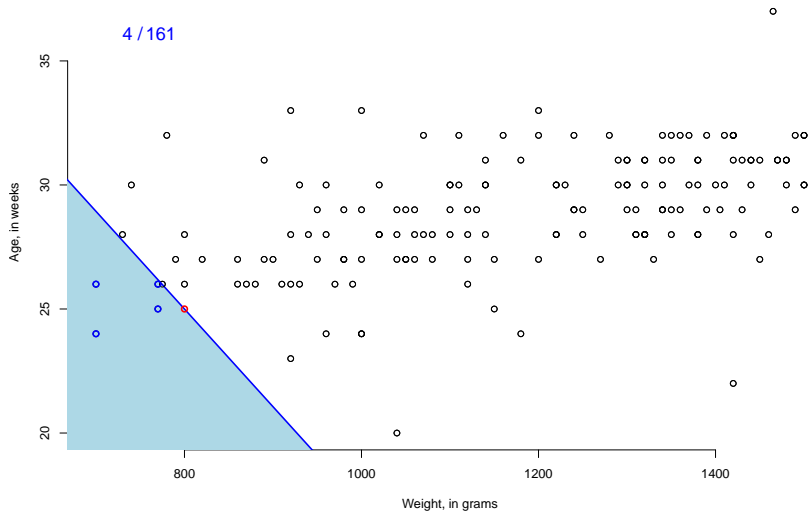
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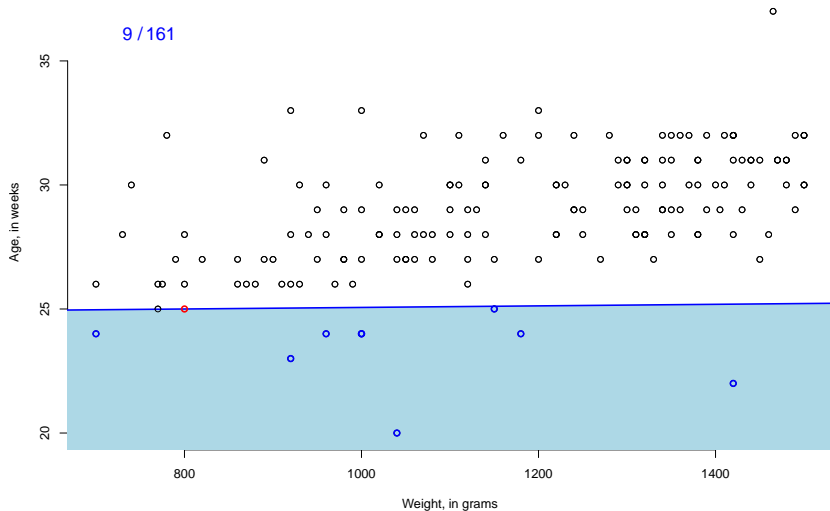
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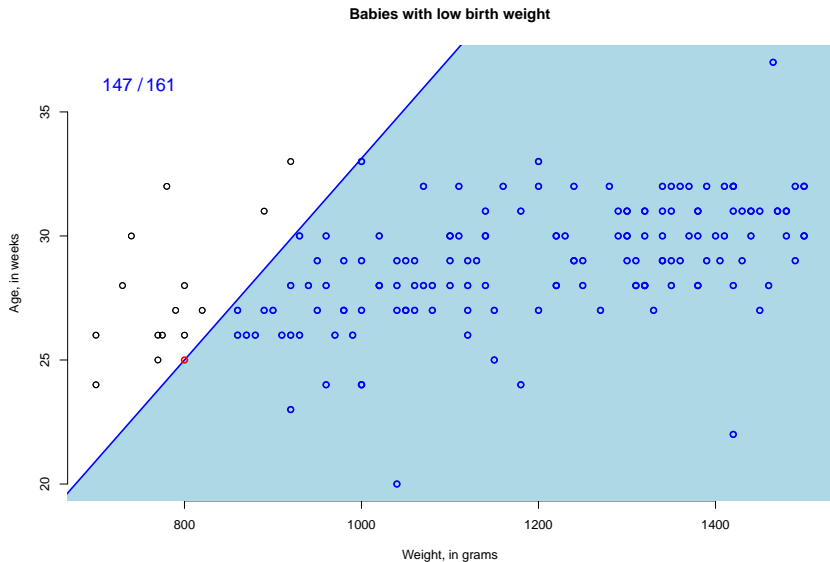


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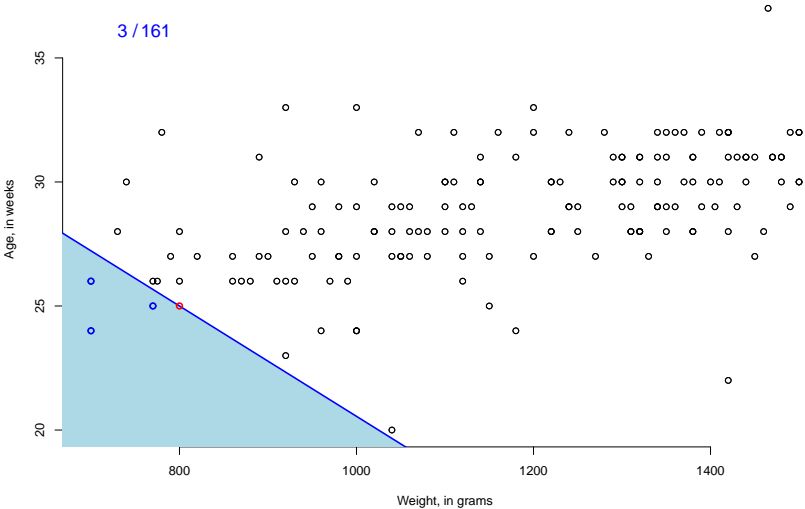


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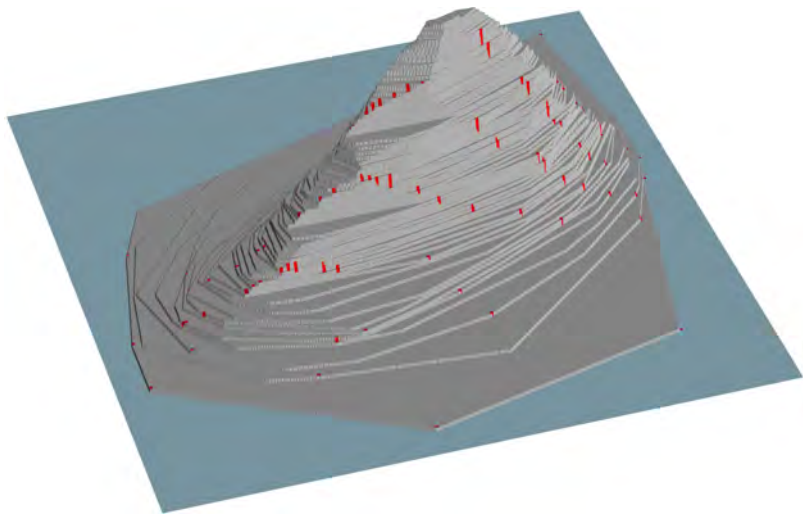


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## Halfspace-trimmed regions

Halfspace depth defines a family of (depth-)trimmed (central) regions  $D_{\tau}^h(X)$ , the upper-level sets of the depth function:

$$D_{\tau}^h(X) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p : D^h(\mathbf{x}|X) \geq \tau\}.$$

### Properties:

#### Depth:

- ▶ Affine invariant;
- ▶ Vanishing at infinity;
- ▶ Monotone w.r.t. deepest point;
- ▶ Upper-semicontinuous;
- ▶ Quasiconcave.

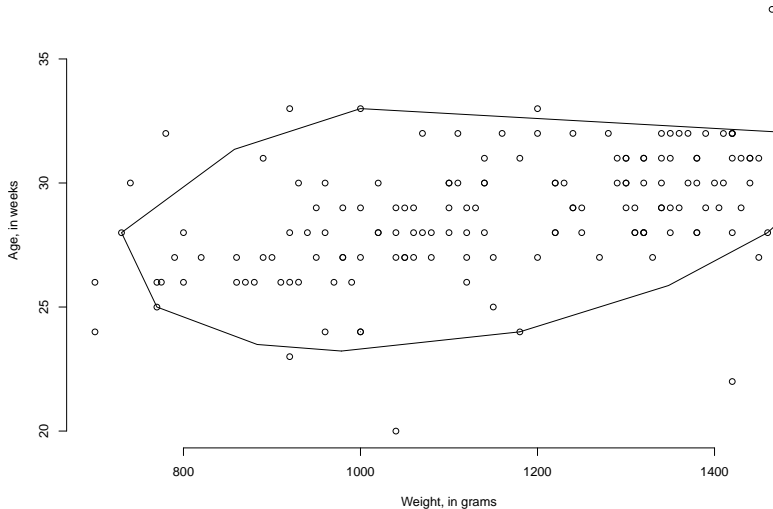
#### Regions:

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- Nested;
- Closed;
- Convex.



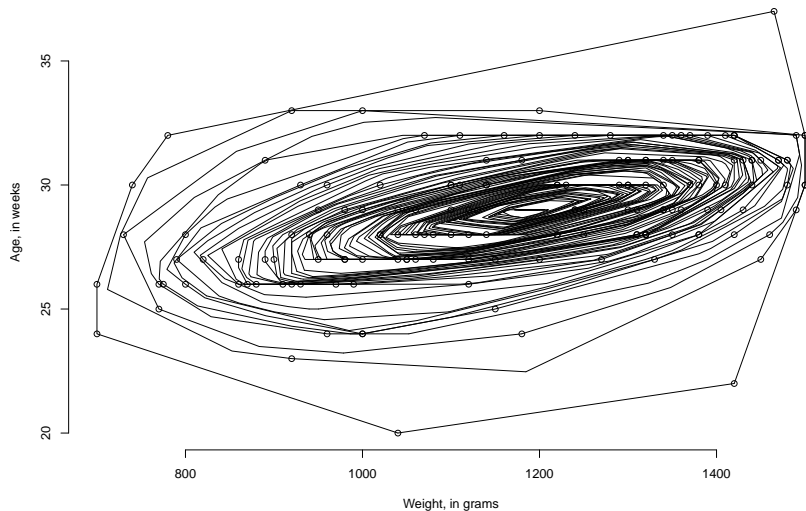
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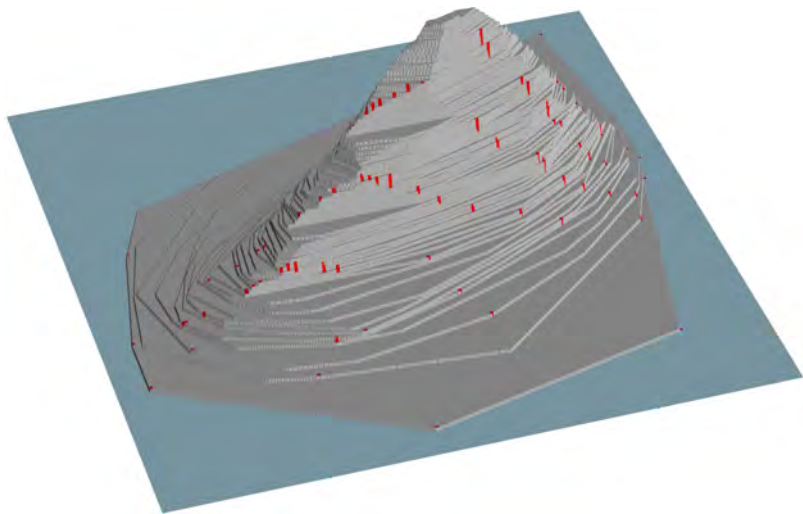


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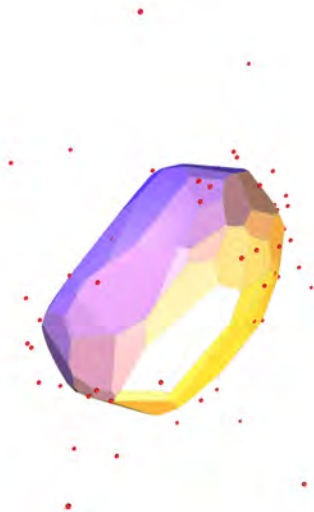
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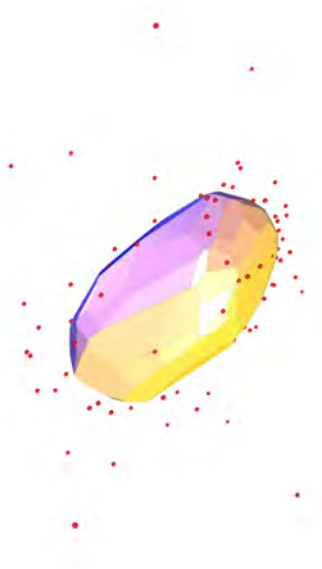
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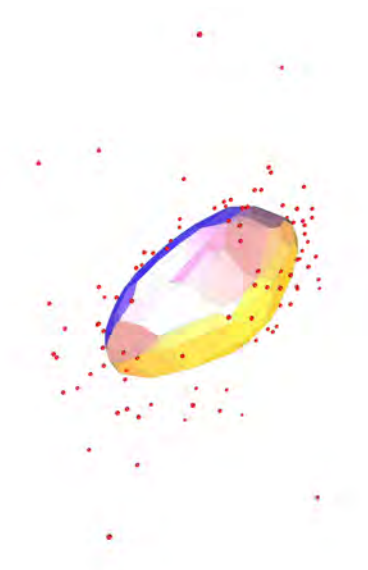
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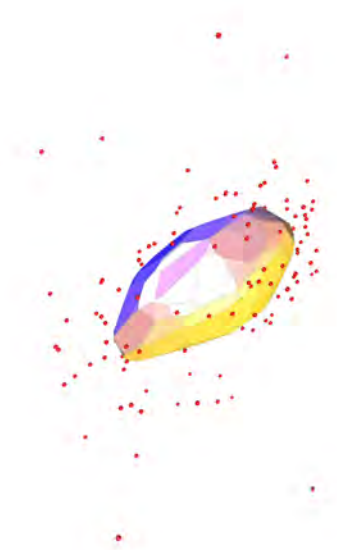


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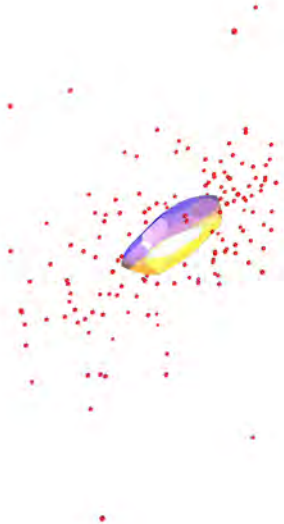
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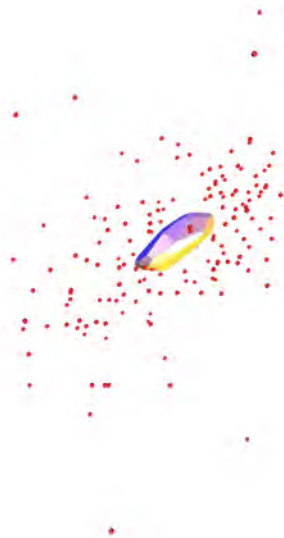
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Halfspace (=Tukey, location) depth region:  $\tau = 68/161$





## Further depth notions

- ▶ **Mahalanobis depth** (Mahalanobis, 1936)
- ▶ **Convex hull peeling depth** (Barnett, 1976; Eddy, 1981)
- ▶ **Projection depth** (Stahel, 1981; Donoho, 1982)
- ▶ **Simplicial volume depth** (Oja, 1983)
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- ▶ **Majority depth** (Singh, 1991)
- ▶ **Zonoid depth** (Koshevoy and Mosler, 1997)
- ▶  $\mathbb{L}_p$ -**depth** (Zuo and Serfling, 2000)
- ▶ **Spatial depth** (Serfling, 2002)
- ▶ **Expected convex hull depth** (Casco, 2007)
- ▶ **Geometrical depth** (Dyckerhoff and Mosler, 2011)
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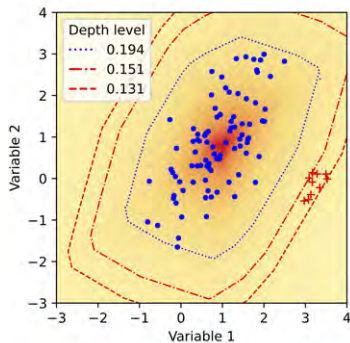
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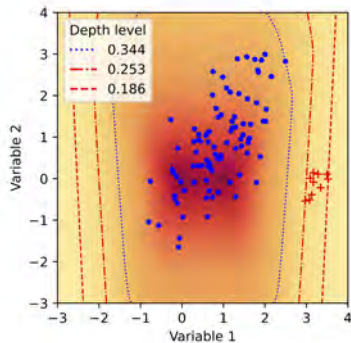
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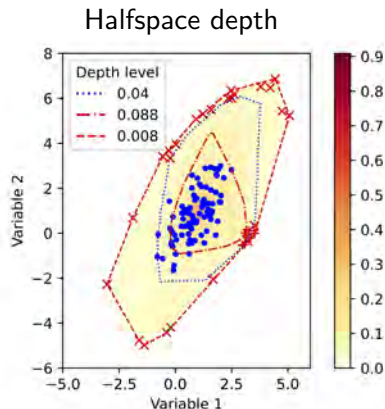
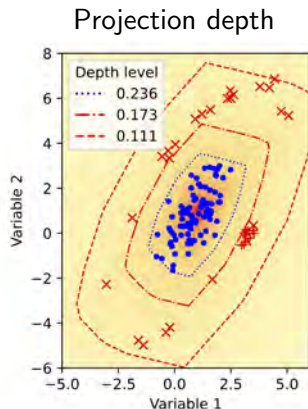


Simplicial volume depth



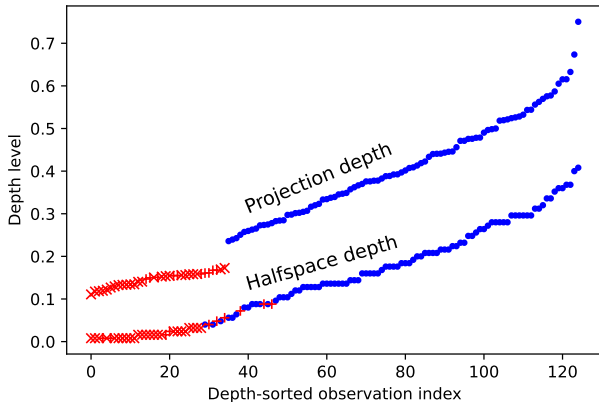
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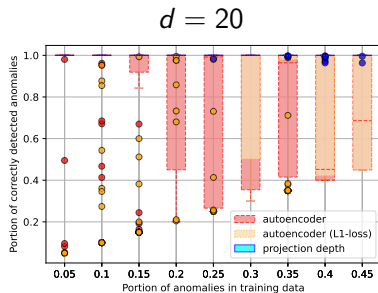
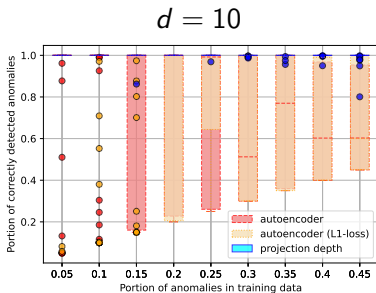
# Illustration of properties

Properties of data depth:

- ▶ **Robustness**, on comparison with:
  - ▶ Auto-encoder.
- ▶ **Extrapolation abilities**, on comparison with:
  - ▶ Local outlier factor (LOF).
  - ▶ One-class support vector machine (OC-SVM).
  - ▶ Isolation forest (IF).
- ▶ **Explainability** of anomalies.

# Autoencoder vs. depth

- ▶ Normal data:  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{i}_d, \mathbf{I}_{d \times d})$ .
- ▶ Anomalies: elliptical Cauchy distribution.



**Quality measure:** Portion of anomalies if we detect all of them.

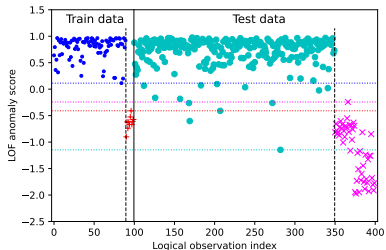
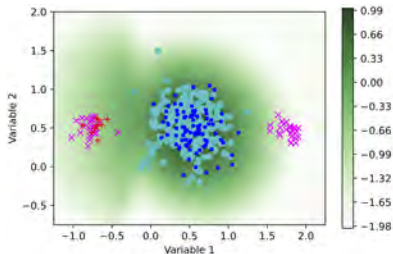
**Autoencoders:**

- ▶ For  $d = 10$ : neuronal layers 10–5–2–5–10.
- ▶ For  $d = 20$ : neuronal layers 20–10–5–10–20.



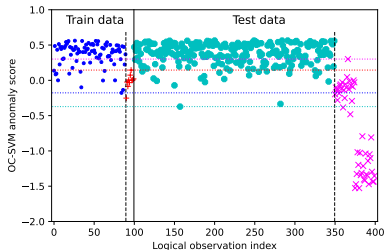
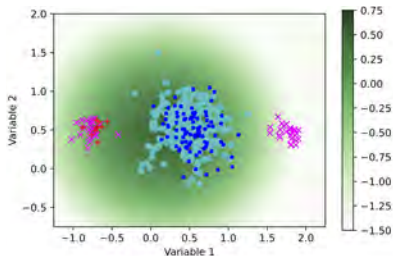
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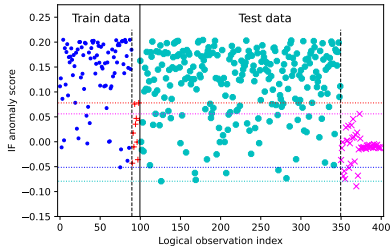
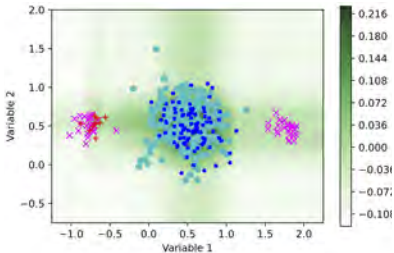
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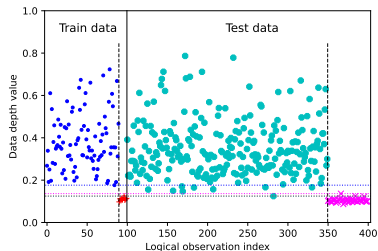
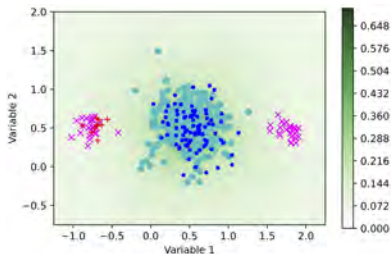
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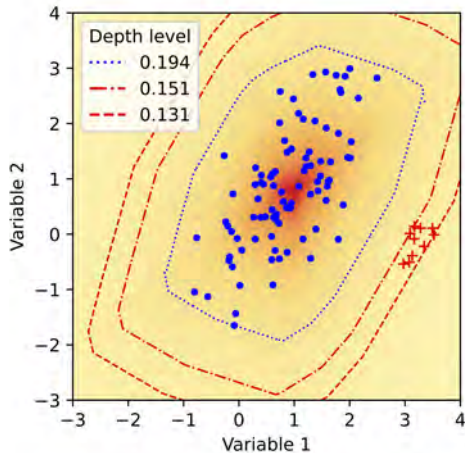
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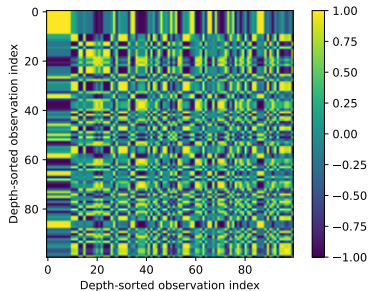
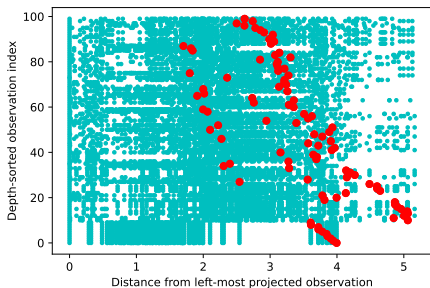
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- ▶ **Optimizing direction:** variables contribution, e.g.,  $(0.863, -0.505)^\top$ .
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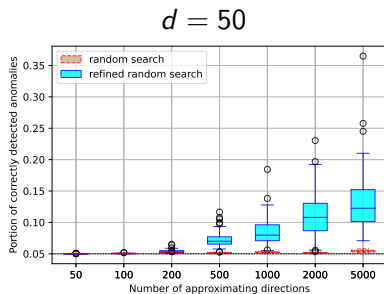
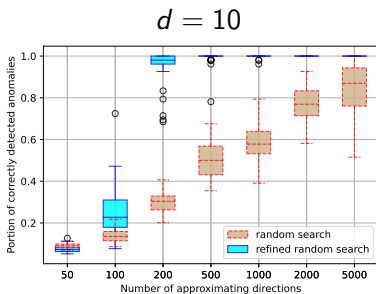
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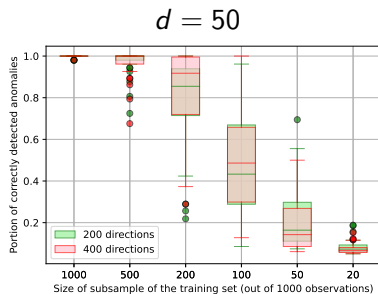
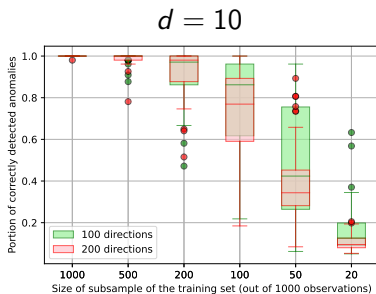




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## Thank you for your attention! Questions?

- ▶ **Data depth** has undergone substantial theoretical development during recent 30 years and possesses **attractive properties**, e.g., robustness, affine invariance, *etc.*
- ▶ Recently, **efficient algorithms** (both exact and approximate) have been developed for computation of numerous depths.
- ▶ Data **depth** can be used as a **powerful tool for anomaly detection**.
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- ▶ **Disclaimer:** The presented examples were designed to illustrate **advantages of depth-based anomaly detection**, their generalization can be limited.

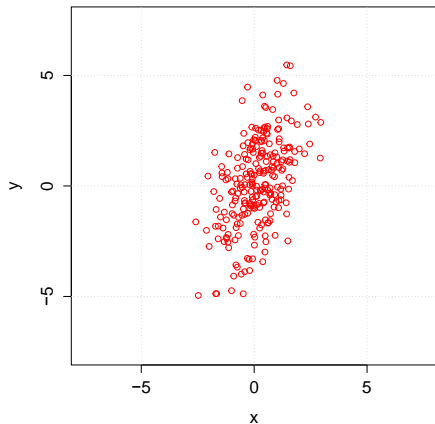
# Computational taxonomy

	<b>Exponential time</b>	<b>Polynomial time</b>
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\* : *Italics* indicate **robust** depth notions.

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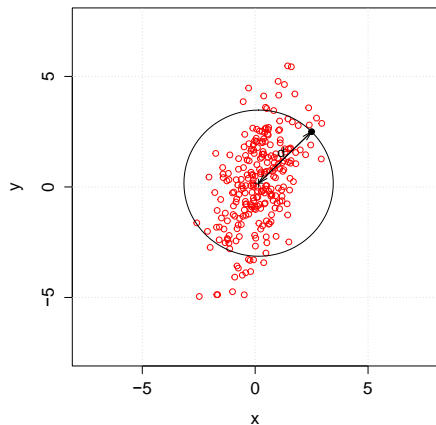
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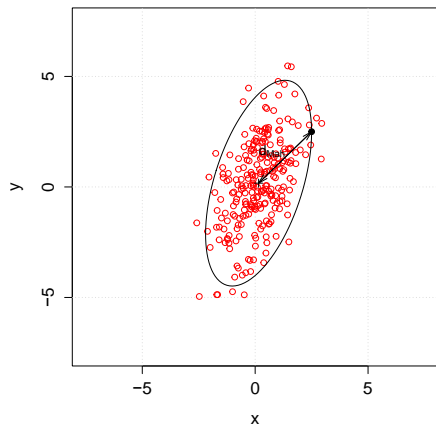
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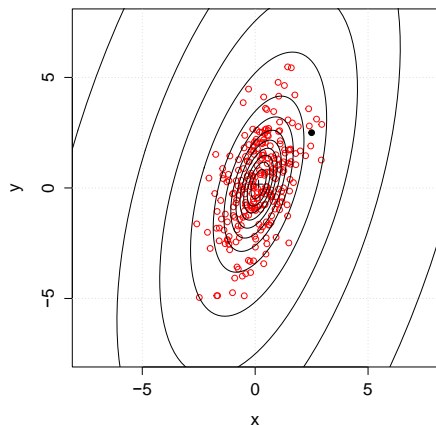
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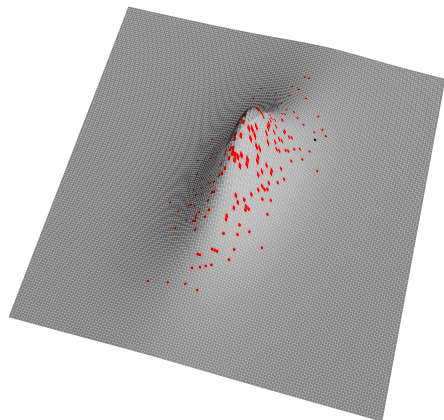
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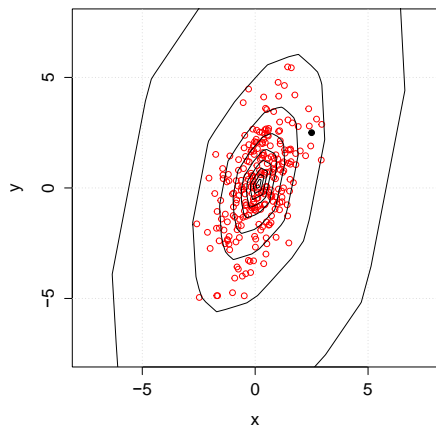
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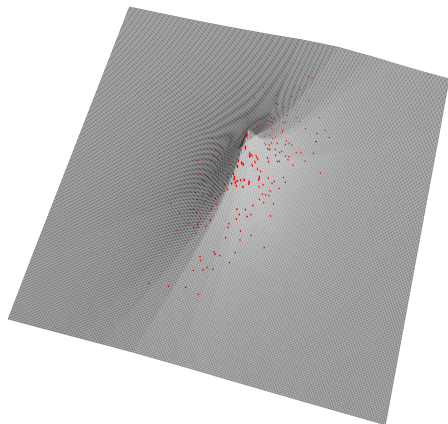
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