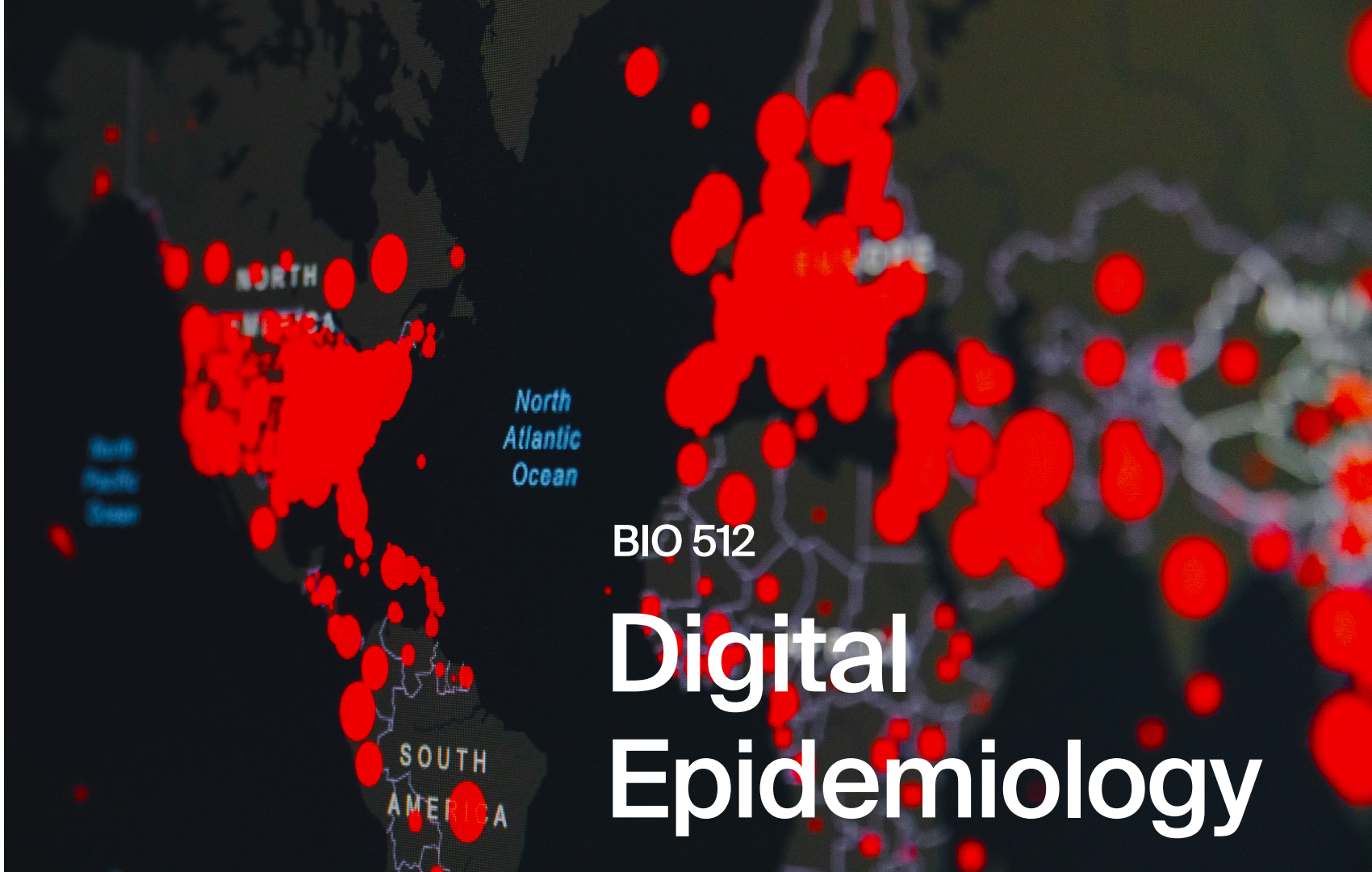




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Digital Epidemiology

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Learning Objectives

- Quantitative framework for testing accuracy
- Sensitivity & specificity
- ROC
- Positive / negative predictive values
- Likelihood ratios

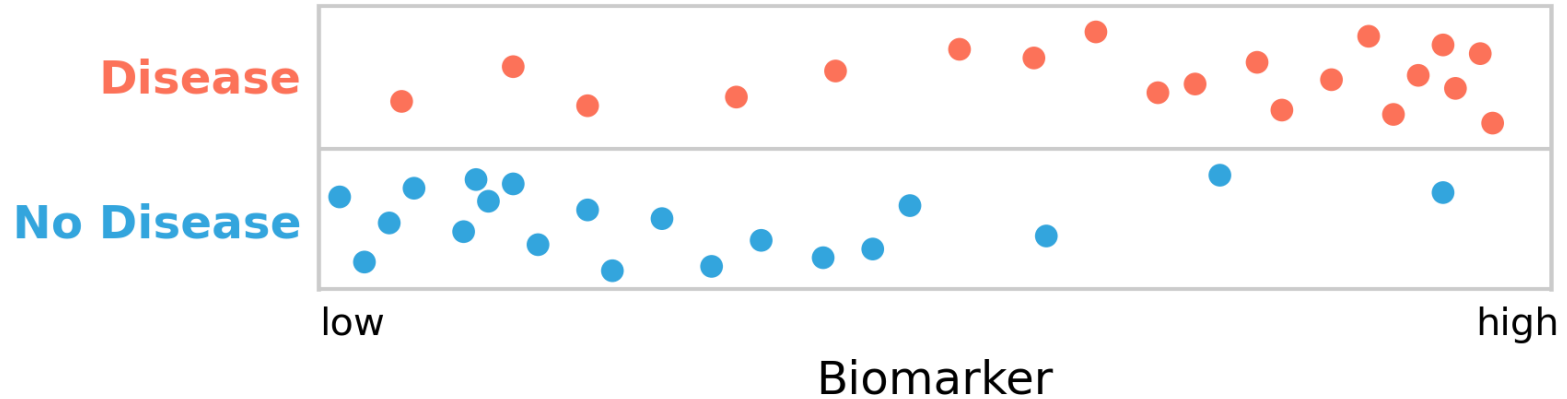
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2x2

		Test	
		Positive	Negative
Disease	Present	True positive	False negative
	Absent	False positive	True negative

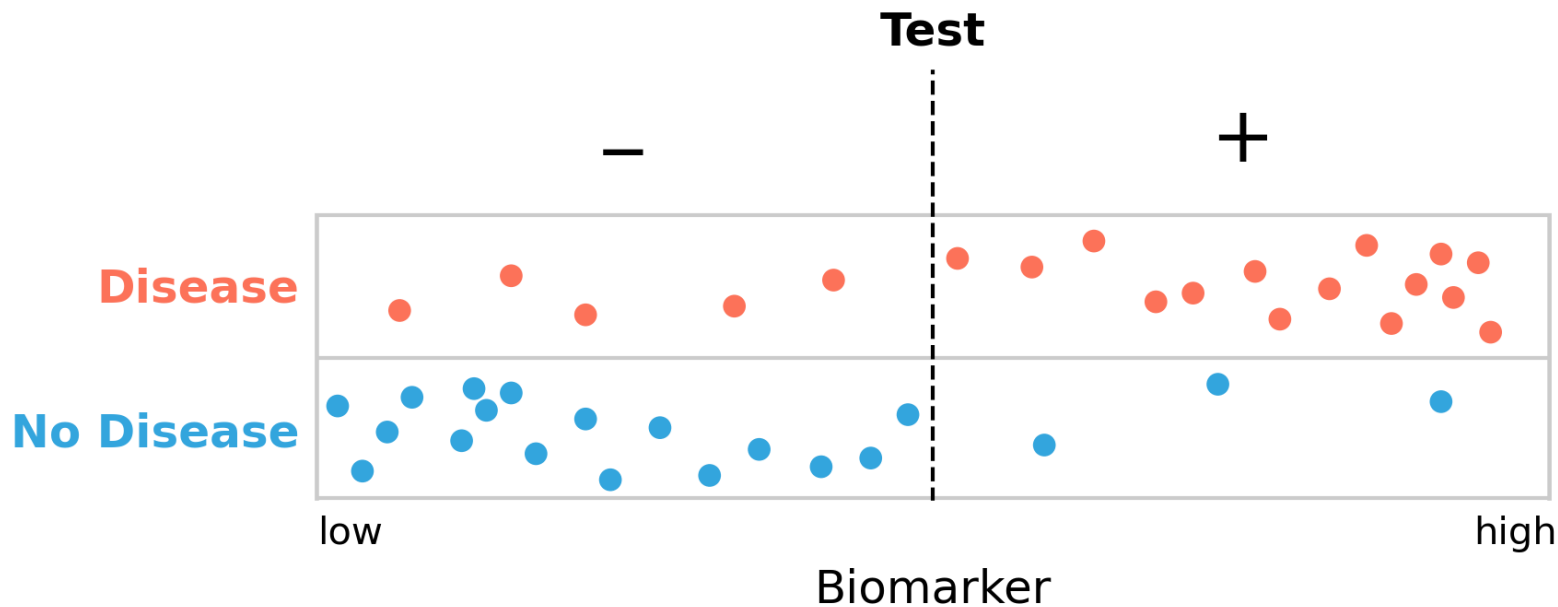
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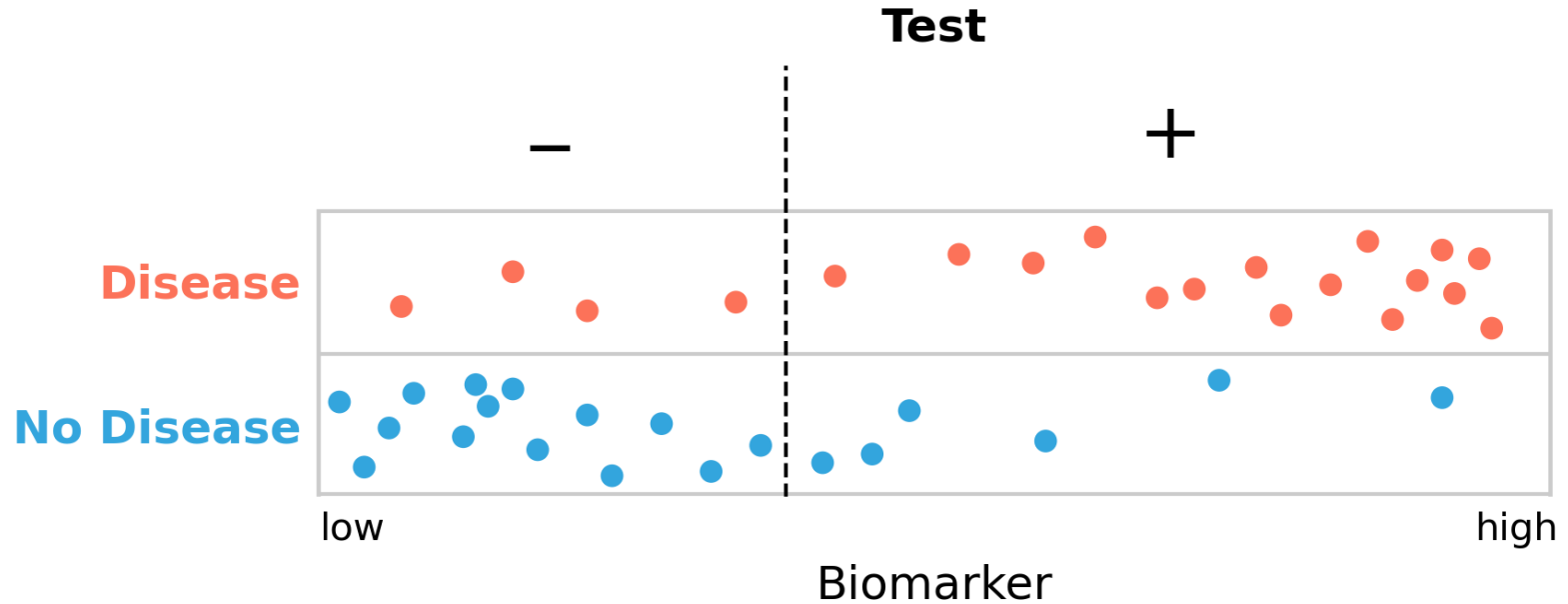
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Sensitivity & Specificity

- A sensitive test is a test that rarely misses diseases (few false negatives) - i.e. with small Type II error.
- A specific test is a test that does not misclassify people as diseased when they're not (few false positives) - i.e. with small Type I error.

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Sensitivity & Specificity

- Sensitivity =
$$\frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

- Specificity =
$$\frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

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Sensitivity & Specificity

- Sensitivity = $\frac{TP}{TP + FN}$ = True Positive Rate
- Specificity = $\frac{TN}{TN + FP}$ = True Negative Rate

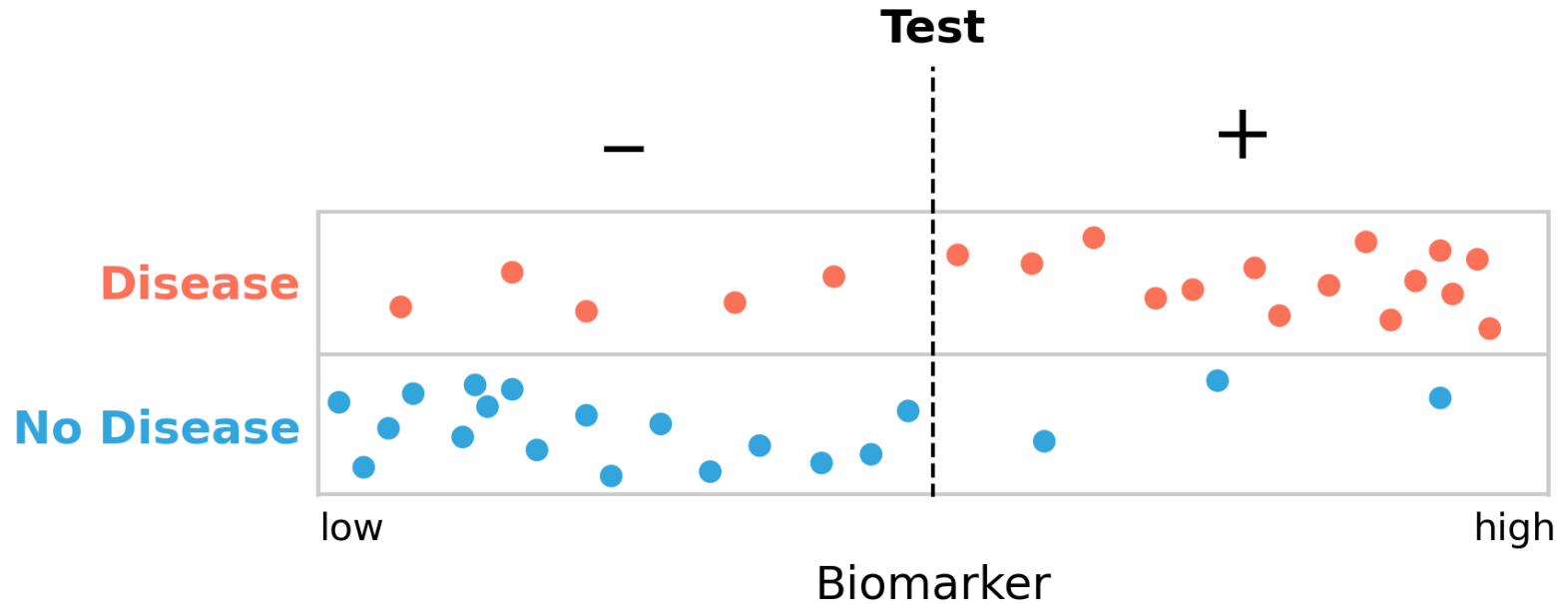
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Sensitivity & Specificity

- Sensitivity and specificity are both needed to evaluate test!
- Example 1: 100% sensitive test
- Example 2: always positive “test”

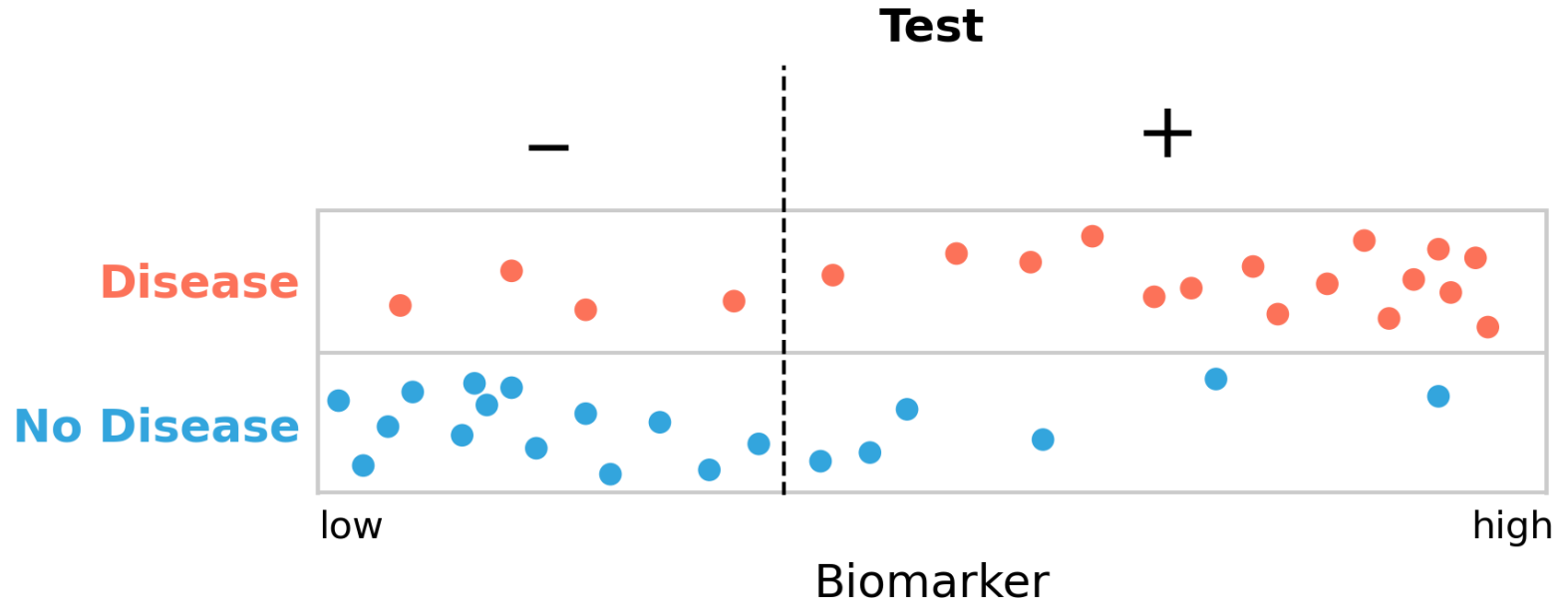
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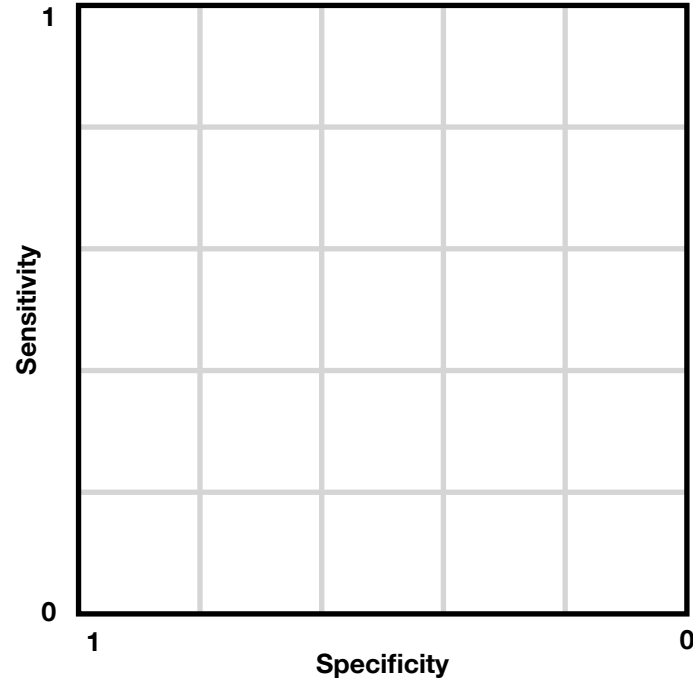
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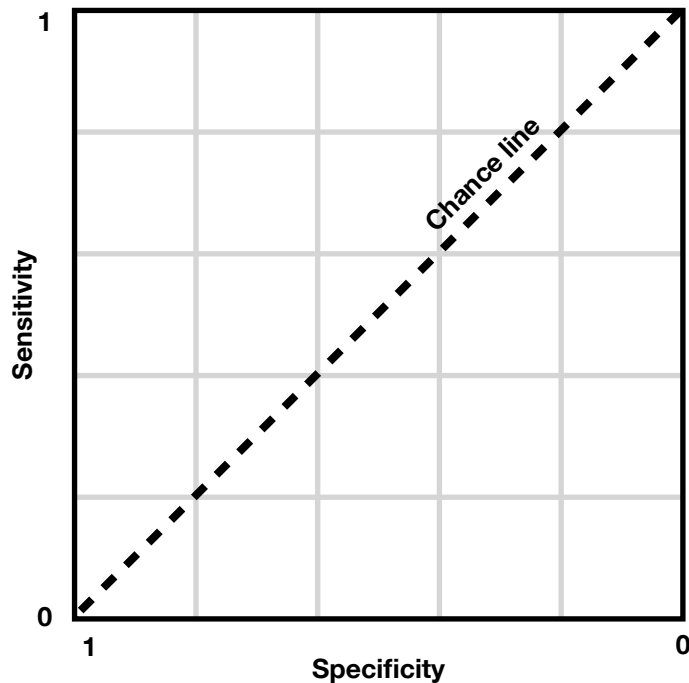
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ROC Curve



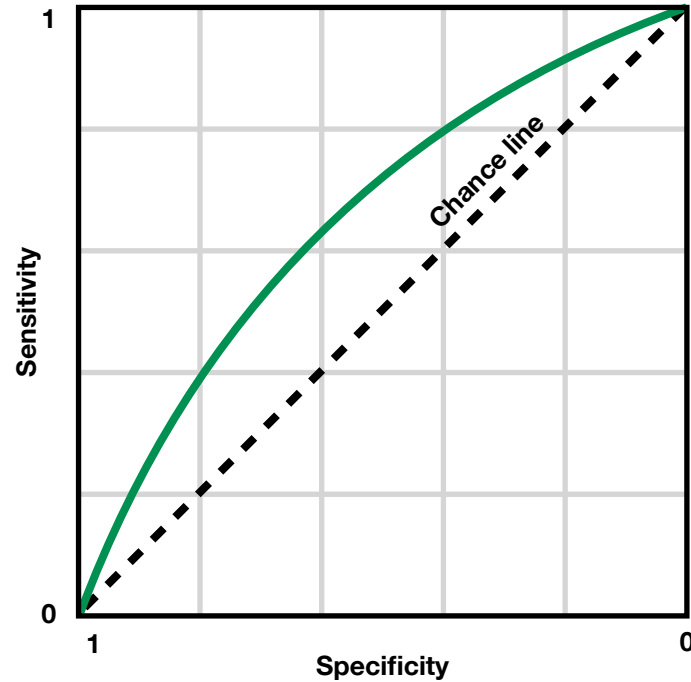
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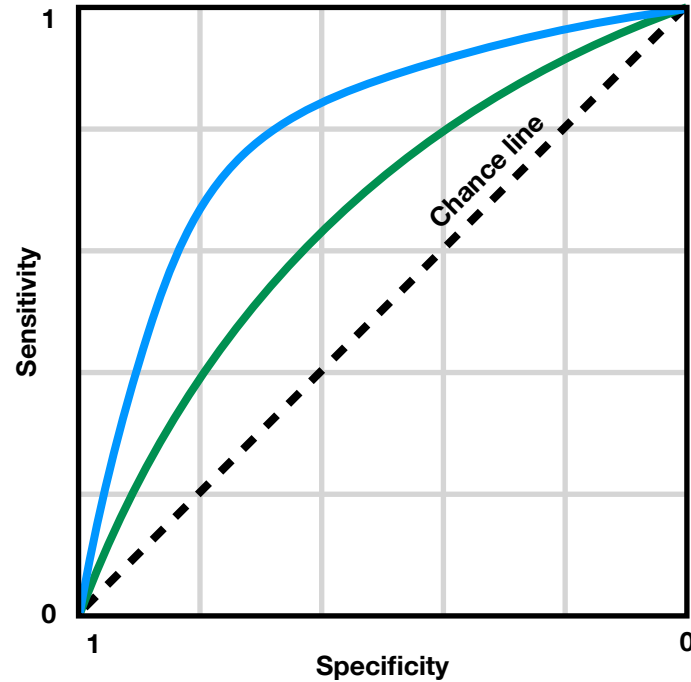
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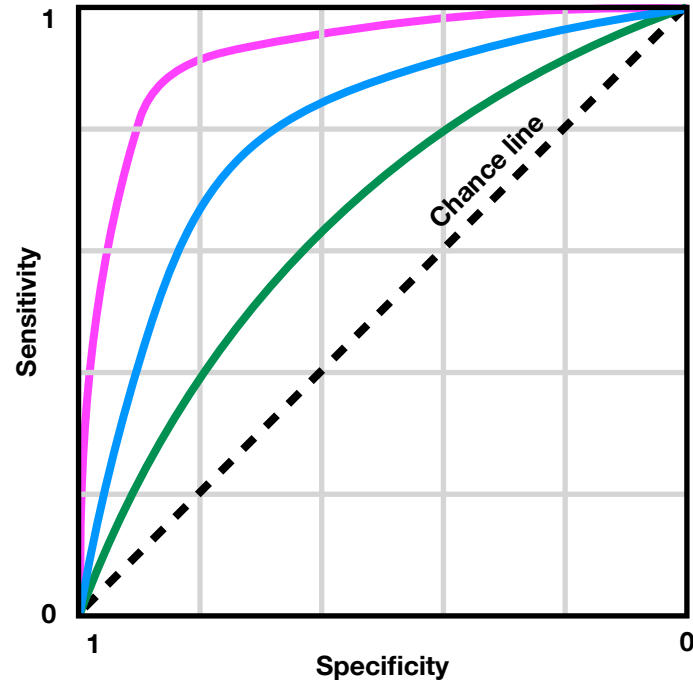
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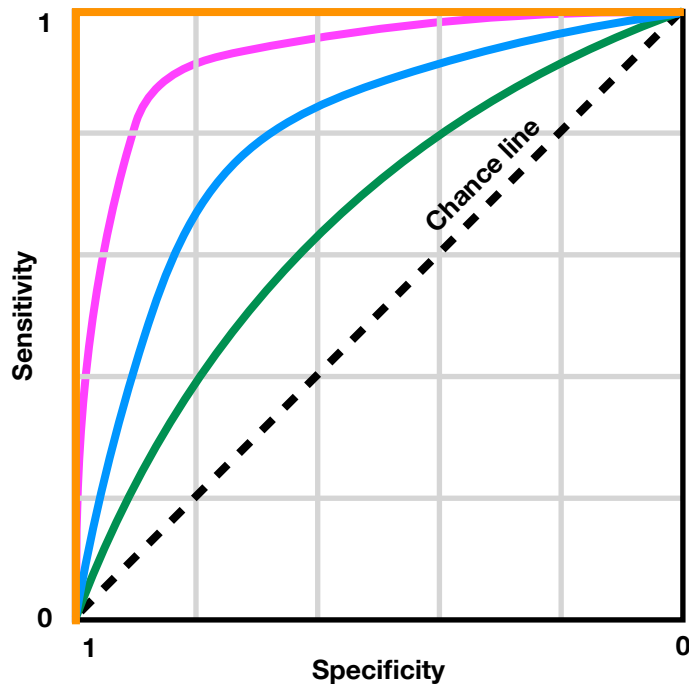
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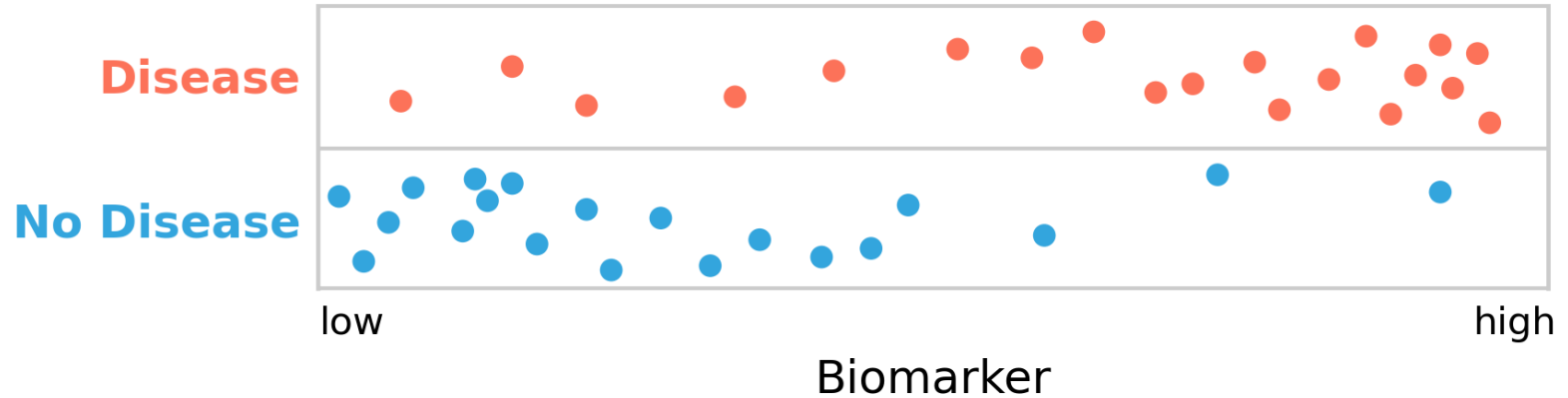
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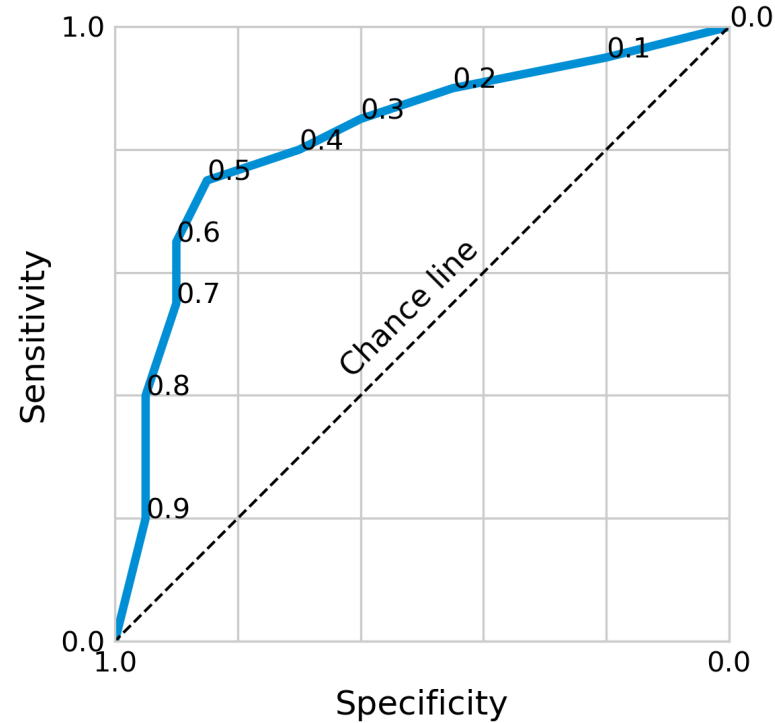
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Different cutoffs

cutoff	sensitivity	specificity
0.1	0.95	0.2
0.2	0.9	0.45
0.3	0.85	0.6
0.4	0.8	0.7
0.5	0.75	0.85
0.6	0.65	0.9
0.7	0.55	0.9
0.8	0.4	0.95
0.9	0.2	0.95

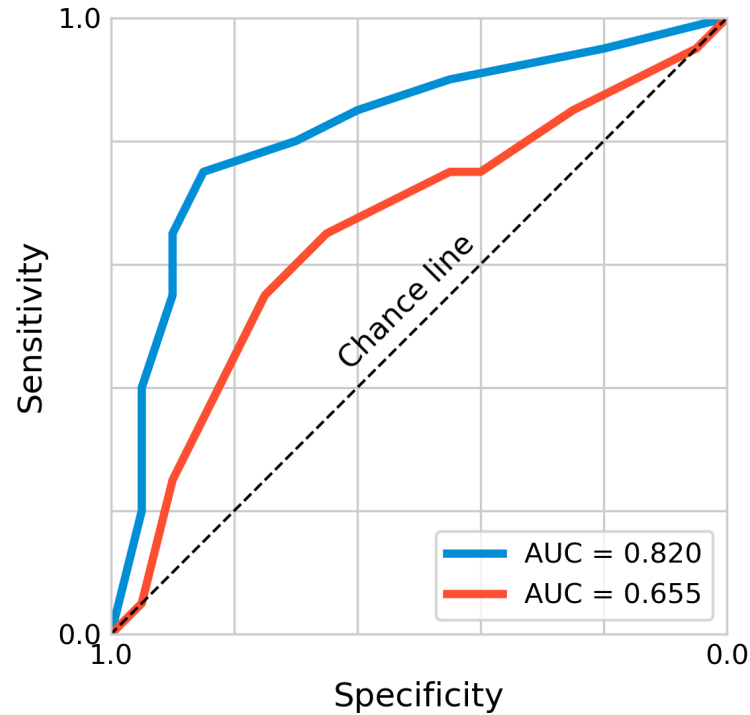
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Positive predictive value

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Large-Scale Assessment of a Smartwatch to Identify Atrial Fibrillation

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND

Optical sensors on wearable devices can detect irregular pulses. The ability of a smartwatch application (app) to identify atrial fibrillation during typical use is unknown.

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RESULTS

We recruited 419,297 participants over 8 months. Over a median of 117 days of monitoring, 2161 participants (0.52%) received notifications of irregular pulse. Among the 450 participants who returned ECG patches containing data that could be analyzed — which had been applied, on average, 13 days after notification — atrial fibrillation was present in 34% (97.5% confidence interval [CI], 29 to 39) overall and in 35% (97.5% CI, 27 to 43) of participants 65 years of age or older. Among participants who were notified of an irregular pulse, the positive predictive value was 0.84 (95% CI, 0.76 to 0.92) for observing atrial fibrillation on the ECG simultaneously with a subsequent irregular pulse notification and 0.71 (97.5% CI, 0.69 to 0.74) for observing atrial fibrillation on the ECG simultaneously with a subsequent irregular tachogram. Of 1376 notified participants who returned a 90-day survey, 57% contacted health care providers outside the study. There were no reports of serious app-related adverse events.

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Positive predictive value

- Imagine you are getting diagnosed with a positive test. What is the probability that you actually have the disease?
- Initial intuition: depends on accuracy of test

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Positive predictive value

- Example:
 - Test sensitivity: 92%
 - Test specificity: 91%
 - Disease prevalence: 0.9%

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Positive predictive value

- Disease prevalence is essential. Careful: which population are we looking at?
- E.g. Cancer prevalence in general population $<$ Cancer prevalence in a high risk population.

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Bayes' Theorem

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B)}$$

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Bayes' Theorem

$$P(D|T+) = \frac{P(T+|D) P(D)}{P(T+)}$$

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Bayes' Theorem

$$P(D|T+) = \frac{P(T+|D)P(D)}{P(T+|D)P(D) + P(T+|\neg D)P(\neg D)}$$

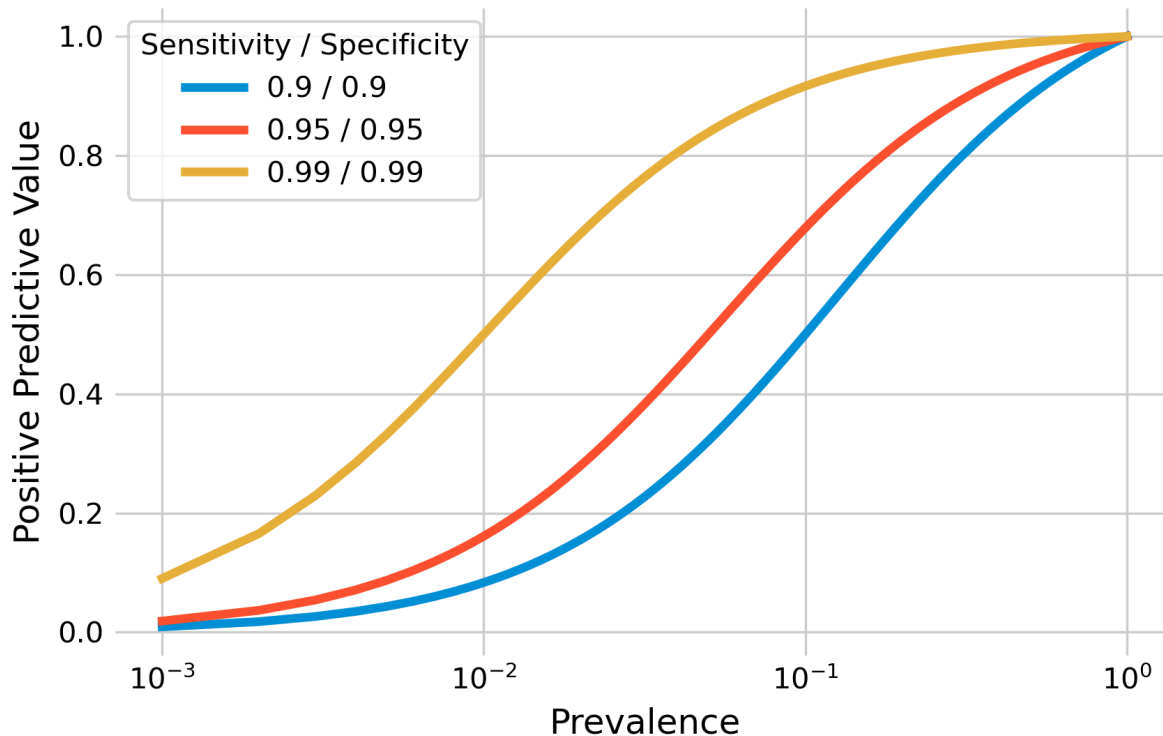
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$$\frac{\textit{sensitivity} * \textit{prevalence}}{\textit{sensitivity} * \textit{prevalence} + (1 - \textit{specificity}) * (1 - \textit{prevalence})}$$

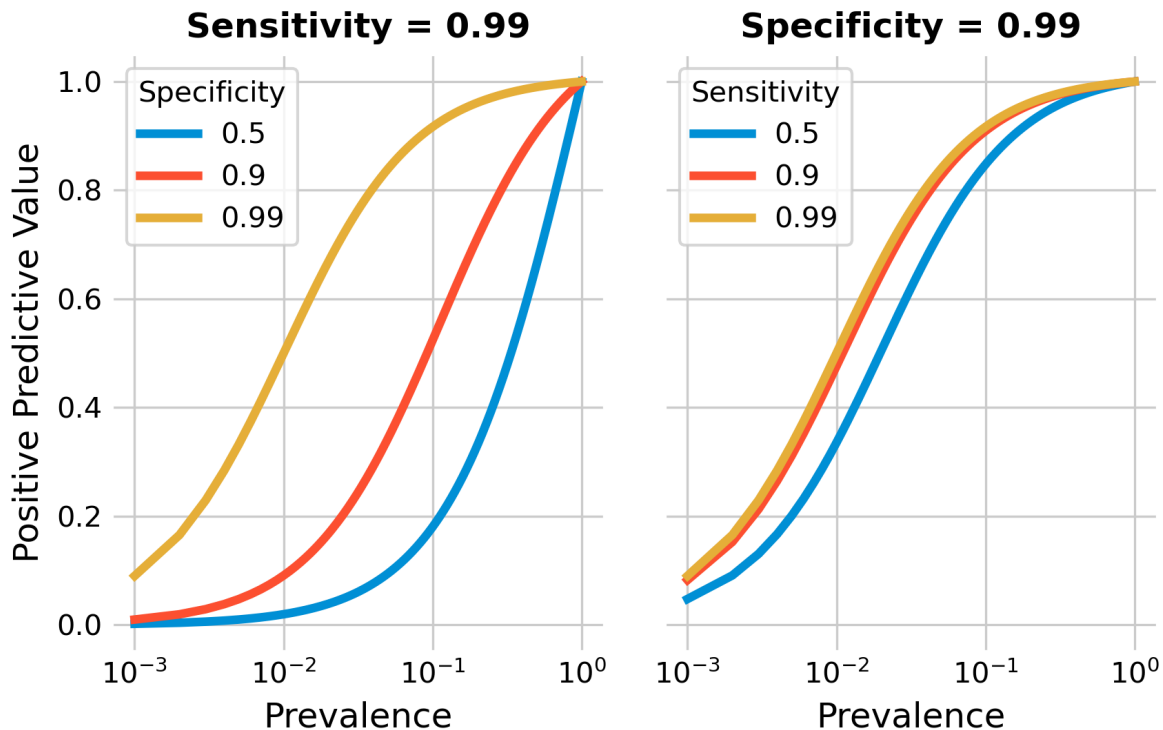
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PROBLEM SOLVED.

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Likelihood ratios

- Prevalence = pre-test probability of having disease
- Positive predictive value = post-test probability of having disease

It would be nice to transform one into the other!

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Likelihood ratios

$$LR_+ = \frac{P(T_+ | D)}{P(T_+ | \neg D)}$$

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Likelihood ratios

- Likelihood ratios work most easily with odds, not probabilities

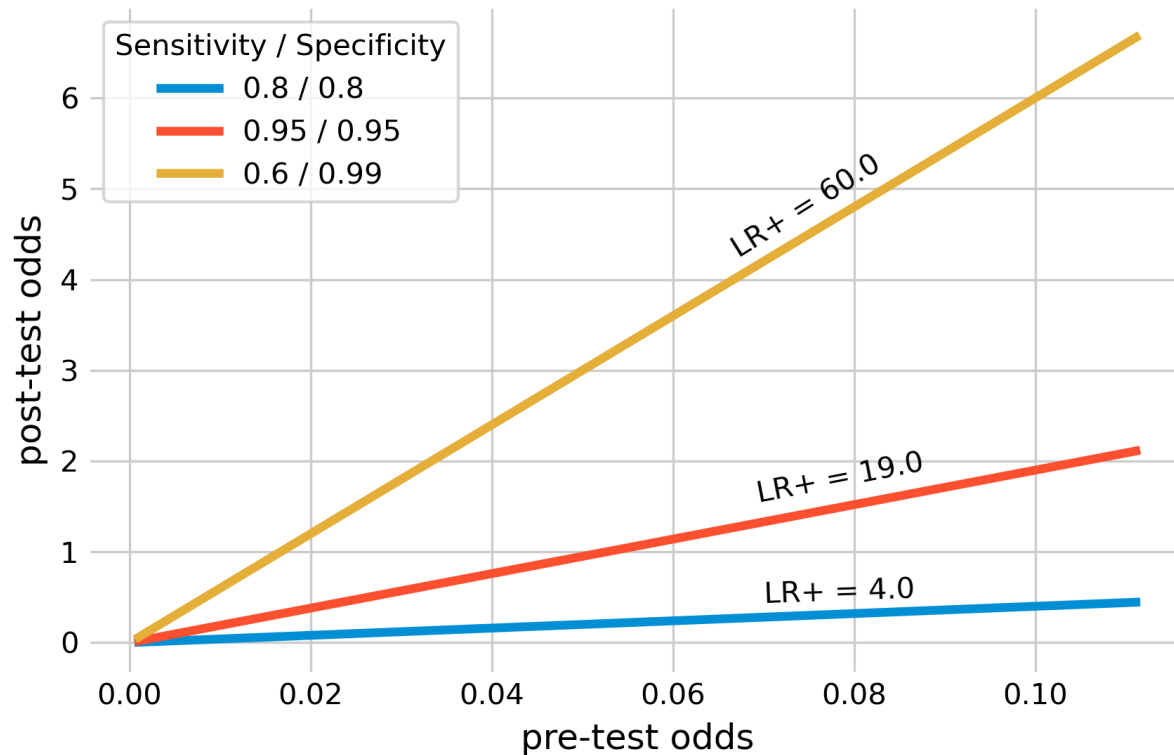
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Likelihood ratios

- $\text{post-test odds} = \text{LR} * \text{pre-test odds}$

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Likelihood ratios



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Rule in, rule out

- “SpPIn, SnNOut”, which stands for “**s**pecific, **p**ositive, rule **in**” and “**s**ensitive, **n**egative, rule **out**”

