Large scale non-linear learning on a single CPU

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- Single CPU – Because parallelization is hard (and often unnecessary)

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- Fits in RAM (up to 256 GB?)
- Fits on a Hard Drive (up to 6TB?)
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Nobody ever got fired for using Hadoop on a cluster

Antony Rowstron, Dushyanth Narayanan, Austin Donnelly, Greg O'Shea, and Andrew Douglas

10 April 2012

Why not do to out of core learning.

Your data is not that big!

	vCPU	ECU	Memory (GiB)	Instance Storage (GB)	Linux/UNIX Usage
Memory Optimized - Current Generation					
r3.large	2	6.5	15	1 x 32 SSD	$0.195 per Hour
r3.xlarge	4	13	30.5	1 x 80 SSD	$0.39 per Hour
r3.2xlarge	8	26	61	1 x 160 SSD	$0.78 per Hour
r3.4xlarge	16	52	122	1 x 320 SSD	$1.56 per Hour
r3.8xlarge	32	104	244	2 x 320 SSD	$3.12 per Hour
Storage Optimized - Current Generation					
i2.xlarge	4	14	30.5	1 x 800 SSD	$0.938 per Hour
i2.2xlarge	8	27	61	2 x 800 SSD	$1.876 per Hour
i2.4xlarge	16	53	122	4 x 800 SSD	$3.751 per Hour
i2.8xlarge	32	104	244	8 x 800 SSD	$7.502 per Hour

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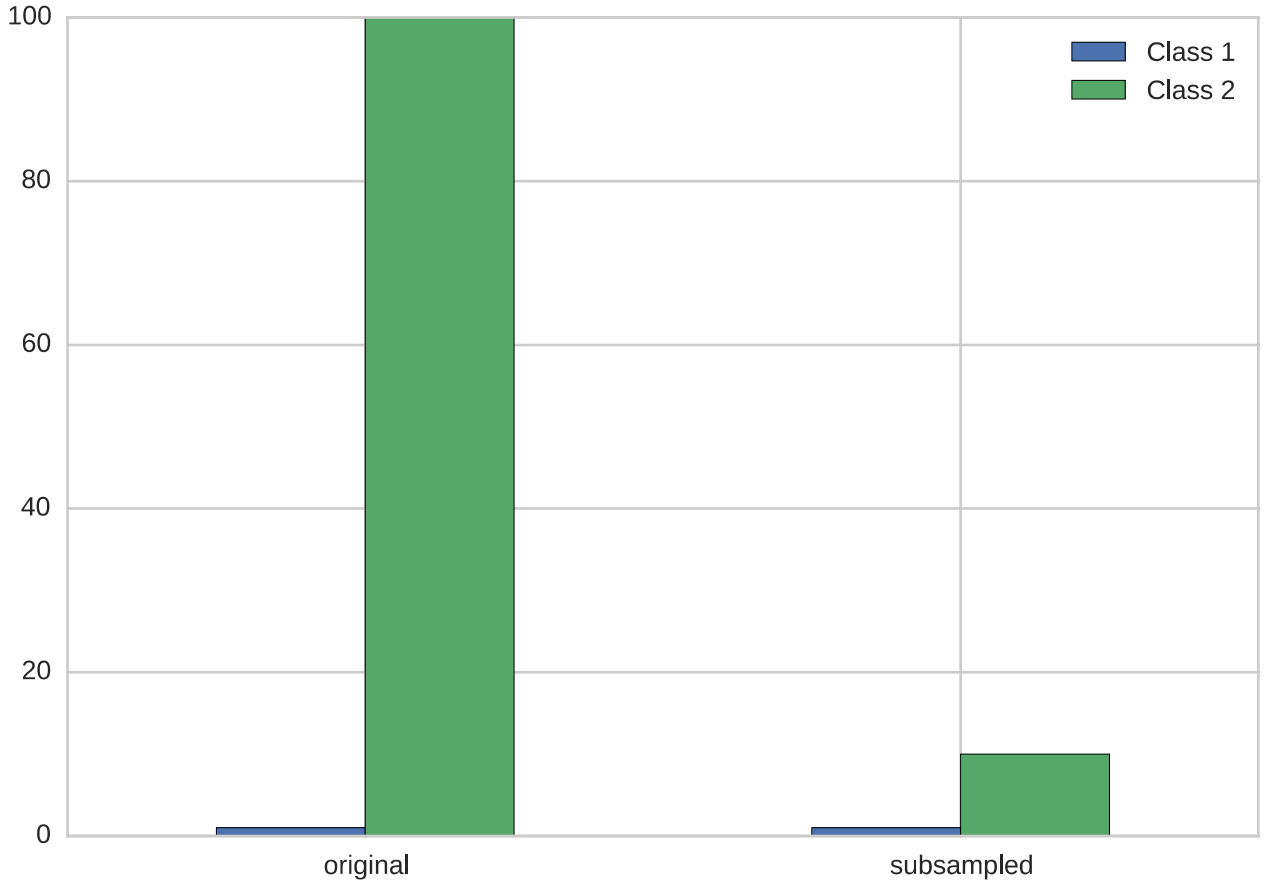
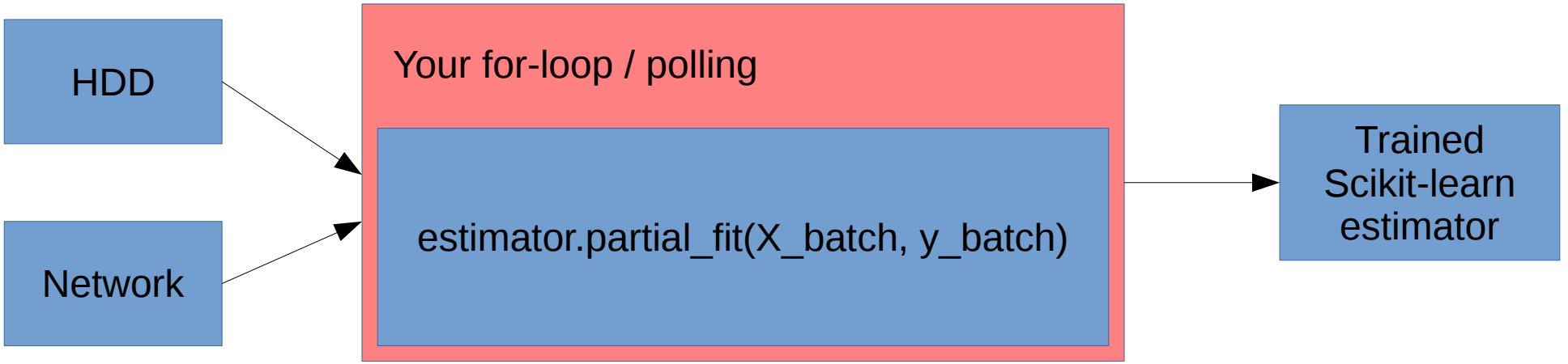


The scikit-learn way


HDD
Network
Your for-loop / polling
estimator.partial_fit(X_batch, y_batch)
Trained
Scikit-learn
estimator

Linear Classification

```
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier

sgd = SGDClassifier()

for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
    with open(batch_name) as f:
        X_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)
        sgd.partial_fit(X_batch, y_batch, classes=[0, 1])
```

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```
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier

sgd = SGDClassifier()

csv_iterator = pd.read_csv("my_large_file.csv", chunksize=10000)
for chunk in csv_iterator:
    X_batch = csv_iterator[features]
    y_batch = csv_iterator["label"]
    sgd.partial_fit(X_batch, y_batch, classes=[0, 1]
```

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from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier

sgd = SGDClassifier()

for i in range(n_iter):
    for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
        with open(batch_name) as f:
            X_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)
            sgd.partial_fit(X_batch, y_batch, classes=[0, 1])
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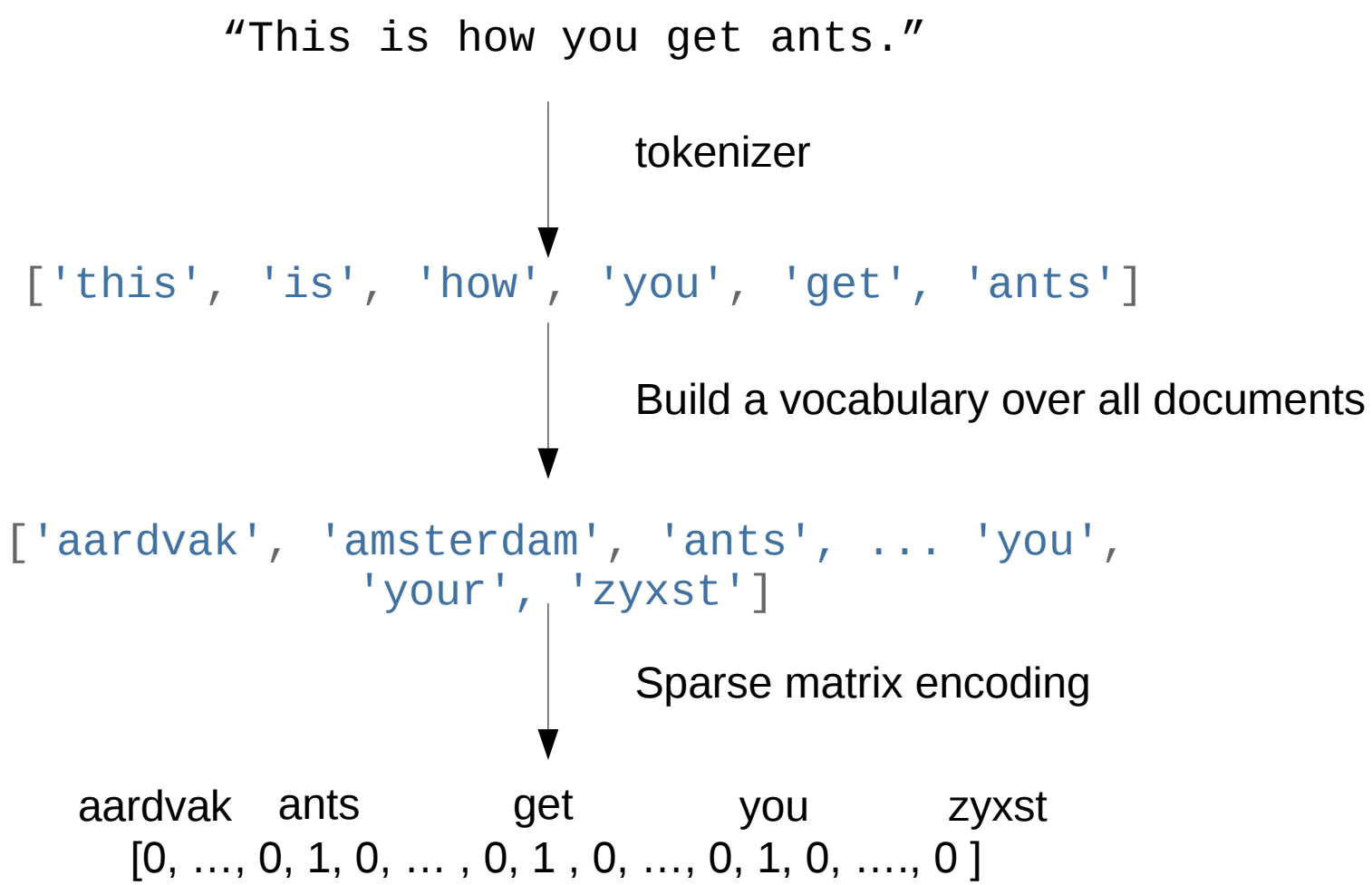
1st nonlinear option: Stateless Transformers

Text Classification: Bag Of Word



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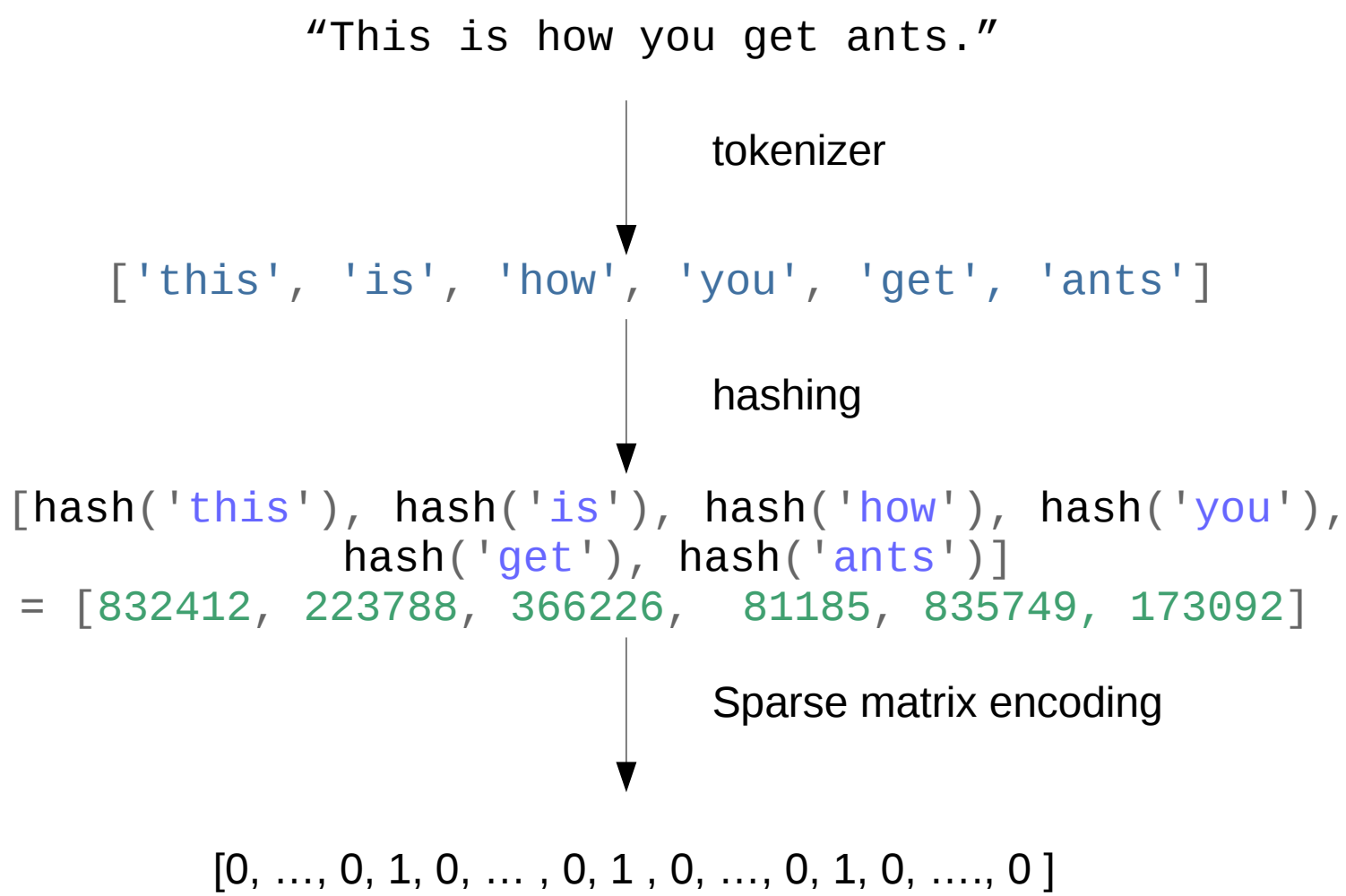

Text Classification: Hashing Trick

```
sgd = SGDClassifier()
hashing_vectorizer = HashingVectorizer()

for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
    with open(batch_name) as f:
        text_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)

    X_batch = hashing_vectorizer.transform(text_batch)
    sgd.partial_fit(X_batch, y_batch, classes=[0, 1]
```

Kernel Approximation

```
sgd = SGDClassifier()
kernel_approximation = RBFSampler(gamma=.001, n_components=400)
kernel_approximation.fit(np.zeros(1, n_features))

for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
    with open(batch_name) as f:
        X_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)
    X_kernel = kernel_approximation.transform(X_batch)
    sgd.partial_fit(X_kernel, y_batch, classes=[0, 1])
```

Random Neural Nets

```
sgd = SGDClassifier()
random_basis = RandomBasisFunctions()
random_basis.fit(np.zeros(1, n_features))

for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
    with open(batch_name) as f:
        X_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)
    X_random = random_basis.transform(X_batch)
    sgd.partial_fit(X_random, y_batch, classes=[0, 1])
```

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2^{nd} nonlinear option:
Learn Transformations on Subsets

RandomForests

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier

X, y = load_my_subset_that_fits_in_ram()
rf = RandomForestClassifier(max_depth=5, n_estimators=100).fit(X, y)

rf_enc = OneHotEncoder()
rf_enc.fit(rf.apply(X))

sgd = SGDClassifier()

for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
    with open(batch_name) as f:
        X_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)
    X_transformed = rf_enc.transform((rf.apply(X_batch)))
    sgd.partial_fit(X_transformed, y_batch, classes=[0, 1])
```

3rd nonlinear option:
Online Nonlinear Classification

Neural Networks (MLPs)

```
sgd = SGDClassifier()

for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
    with open(batch_name) as f:
        X_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)
        sgd.partial_fit(X_batch, y_batch, classes=[0, 1])
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Neural Networks (MLPs)

```
nn = MLPClassifier(n_hidden=(1000, 1000))

for batch_name in glob("*.pickle"):
    with open(batch_name) as f:
        X_batch, y_batch = pickle.load(batch_name)
        nn.partial_fit(X_batch, y_batch, classes=[0, 1])
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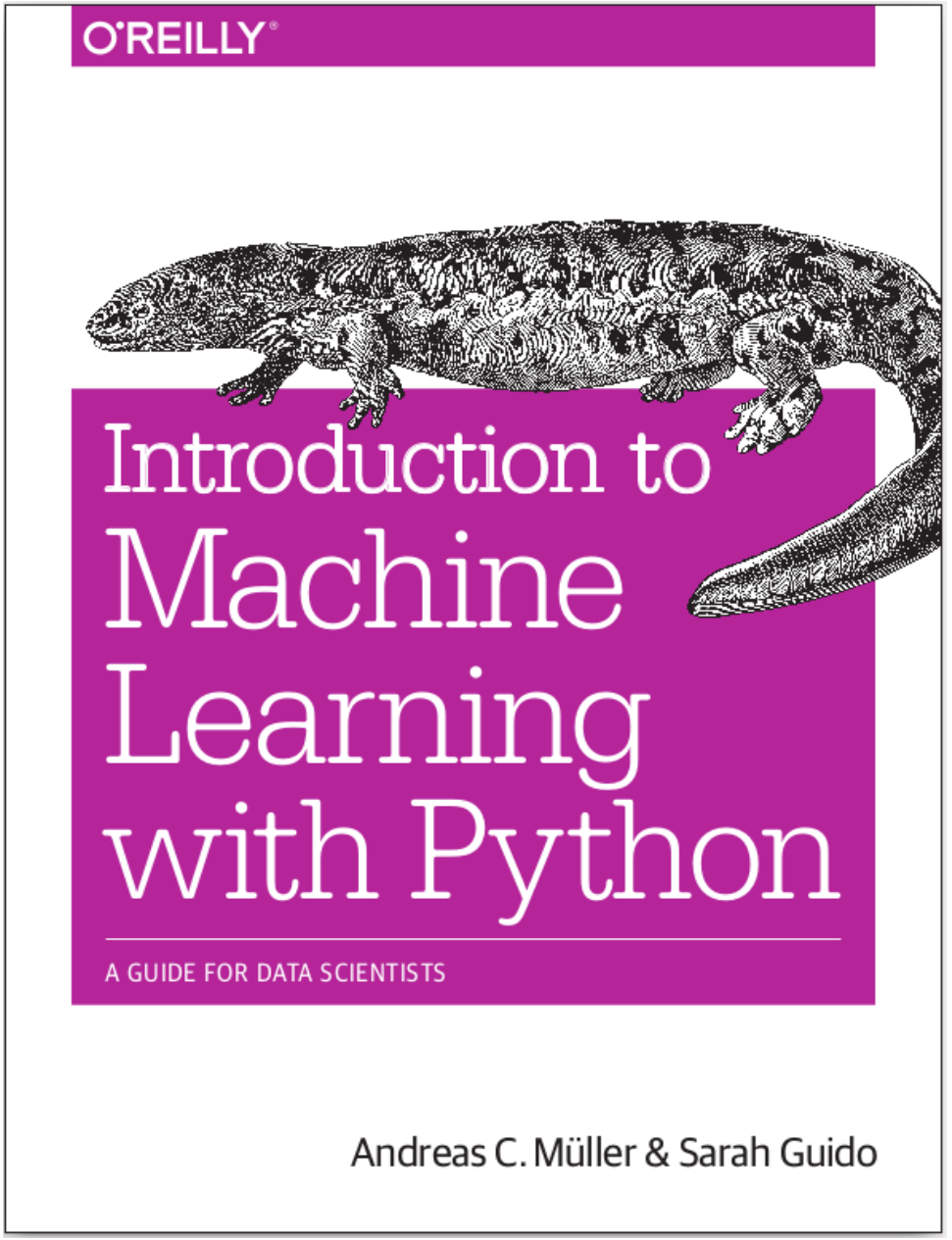
Other algorithms

- Naive Bayes
- `MinibatchKMeans`
- `Birch`
- `IncrementalPCA`
- `MiniBatchDictionaryLearning`
- `Scalers`
- `...`

What Else is Out There?

- Vowpal Wabbit (VW)
- More deep learning
- Hogwild!



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Thank you!

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