

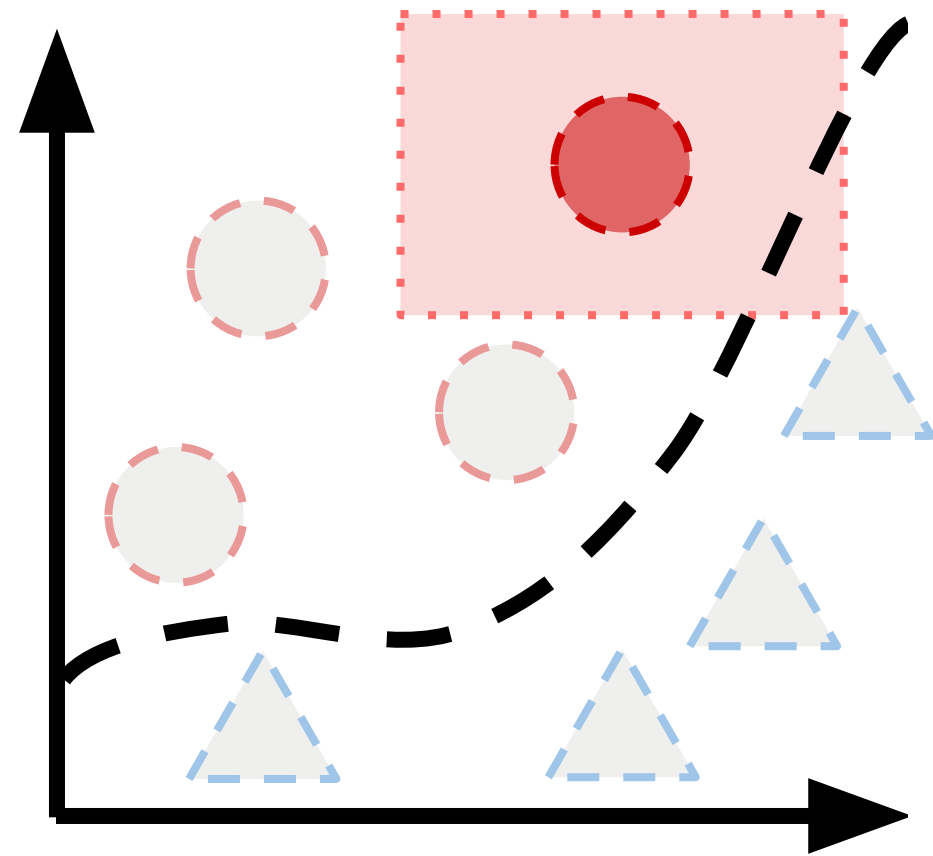
GLocalX and the Local to Global explanation paradigm

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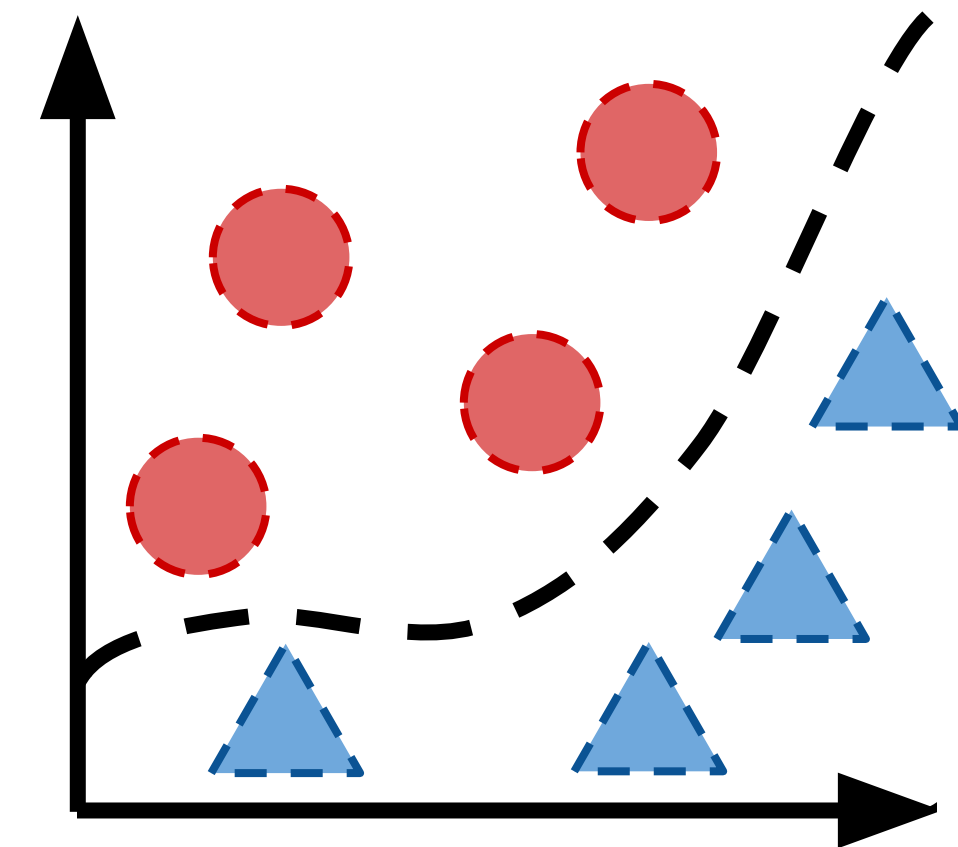
Local and Global explanations



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- locally approximate the decision boundary

E.g. LIME¹, LORE², SHAP³, etc.



Global explanations

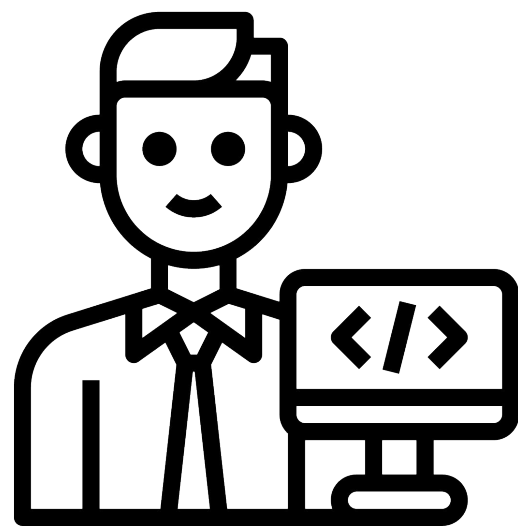
- explain all predictions on all records
- globally approximate the decision boundary

E.g. CART⁴, CPAR⁵, SBRL⁶, etc.

[1] "Why Should I Trust You?": Explaining the Predictions of Any Classifier, Ribeiro et al.
[2] Factual and Counterfactual Explanations for Black Box Decision Making, Guidotti et al.
[3] A Unified Approach to Interpreting Model Predictions, Lundberg & Lee

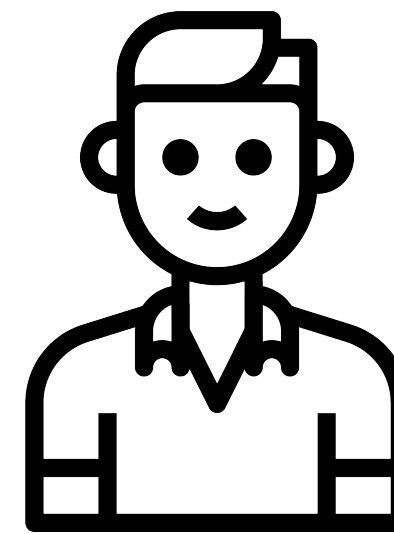
[4] Classification and Regression Trees, Breiman et al.
[5] CPAR: Classification based on Predictive Association Rules, Yin et al.
[6] Scalable Bayesian Rule Lists, Yang et al.

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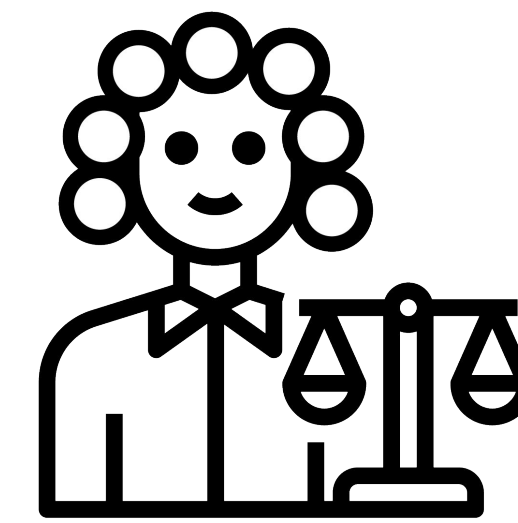
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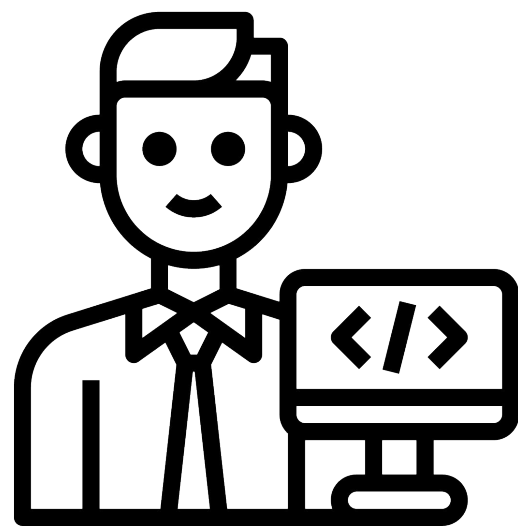
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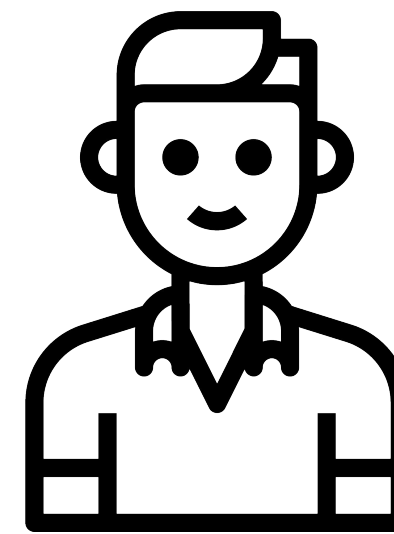
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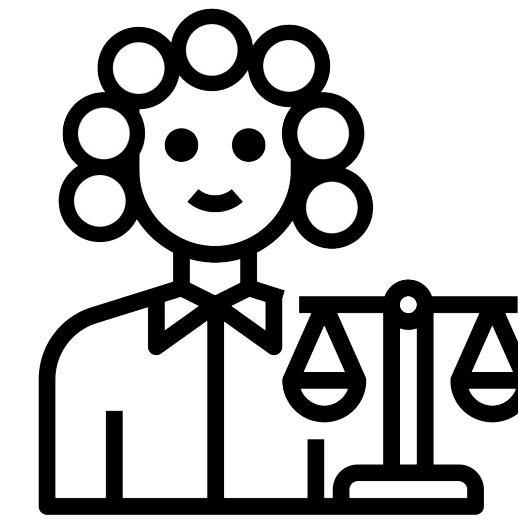
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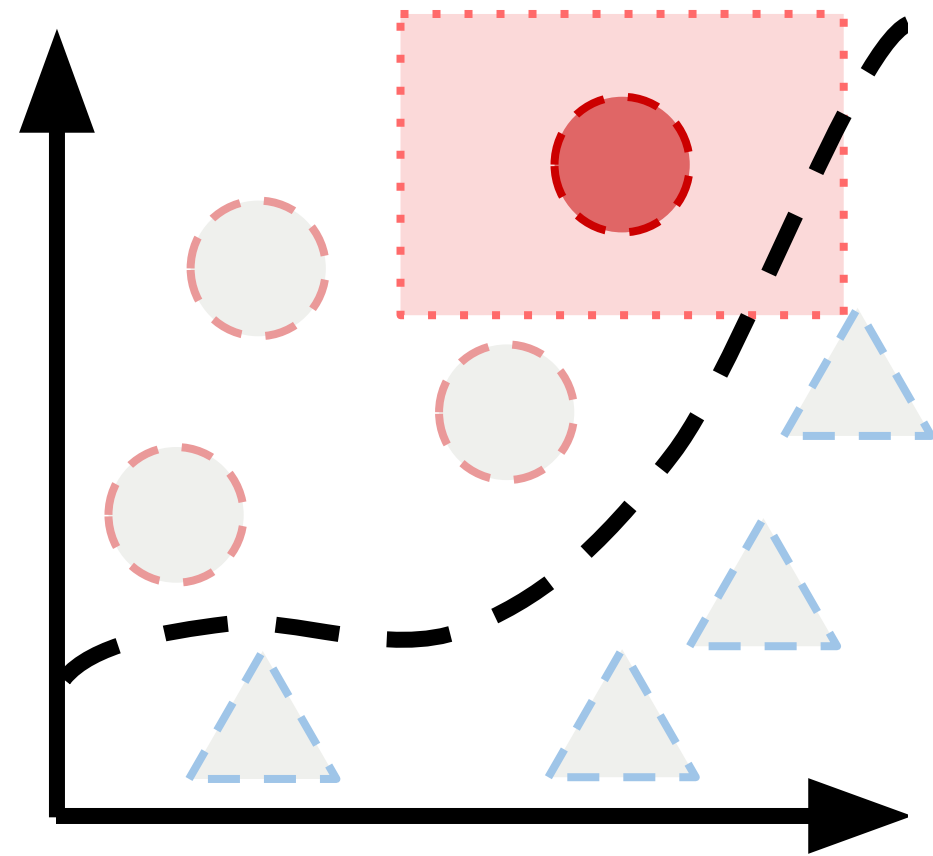
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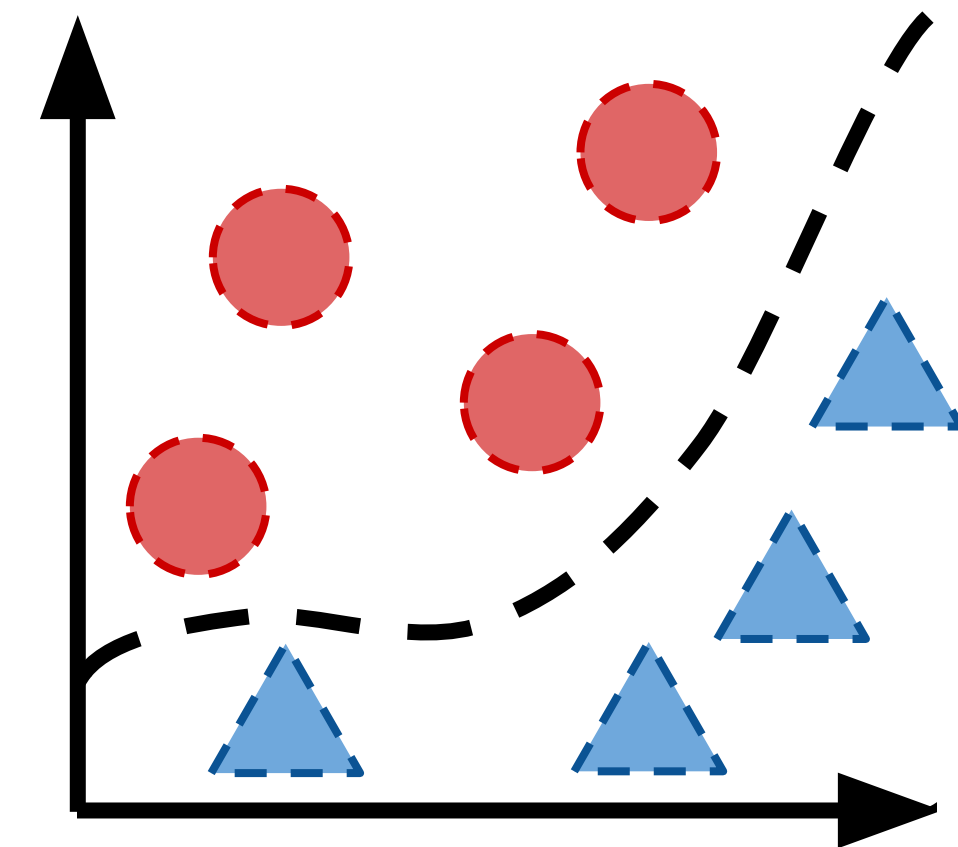
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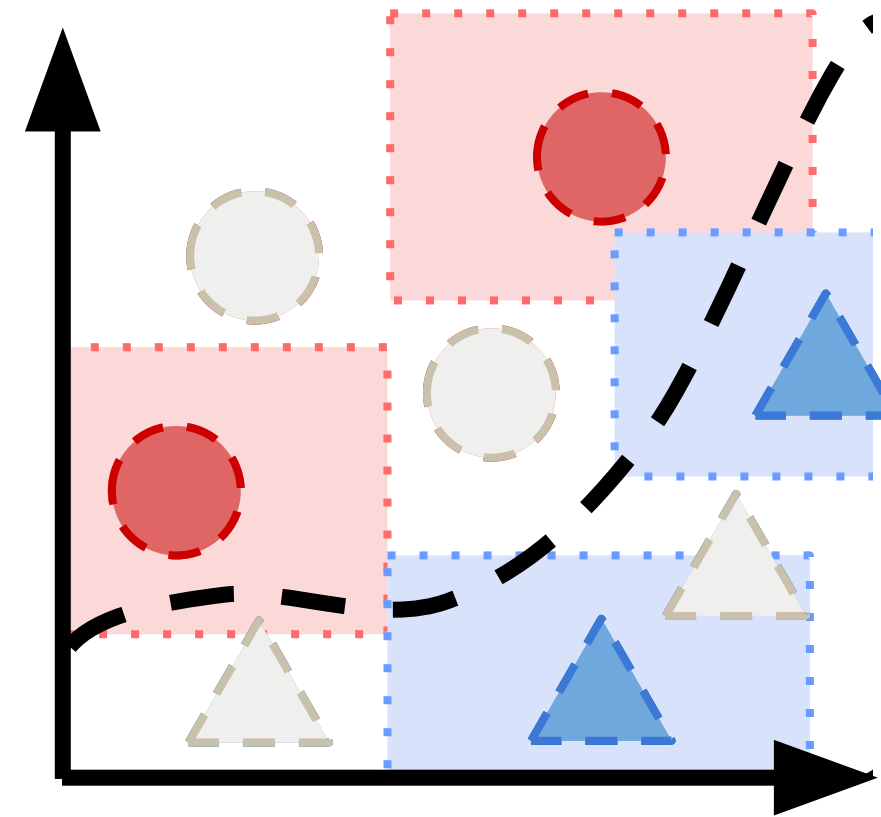
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A third way: Local to Global⁹



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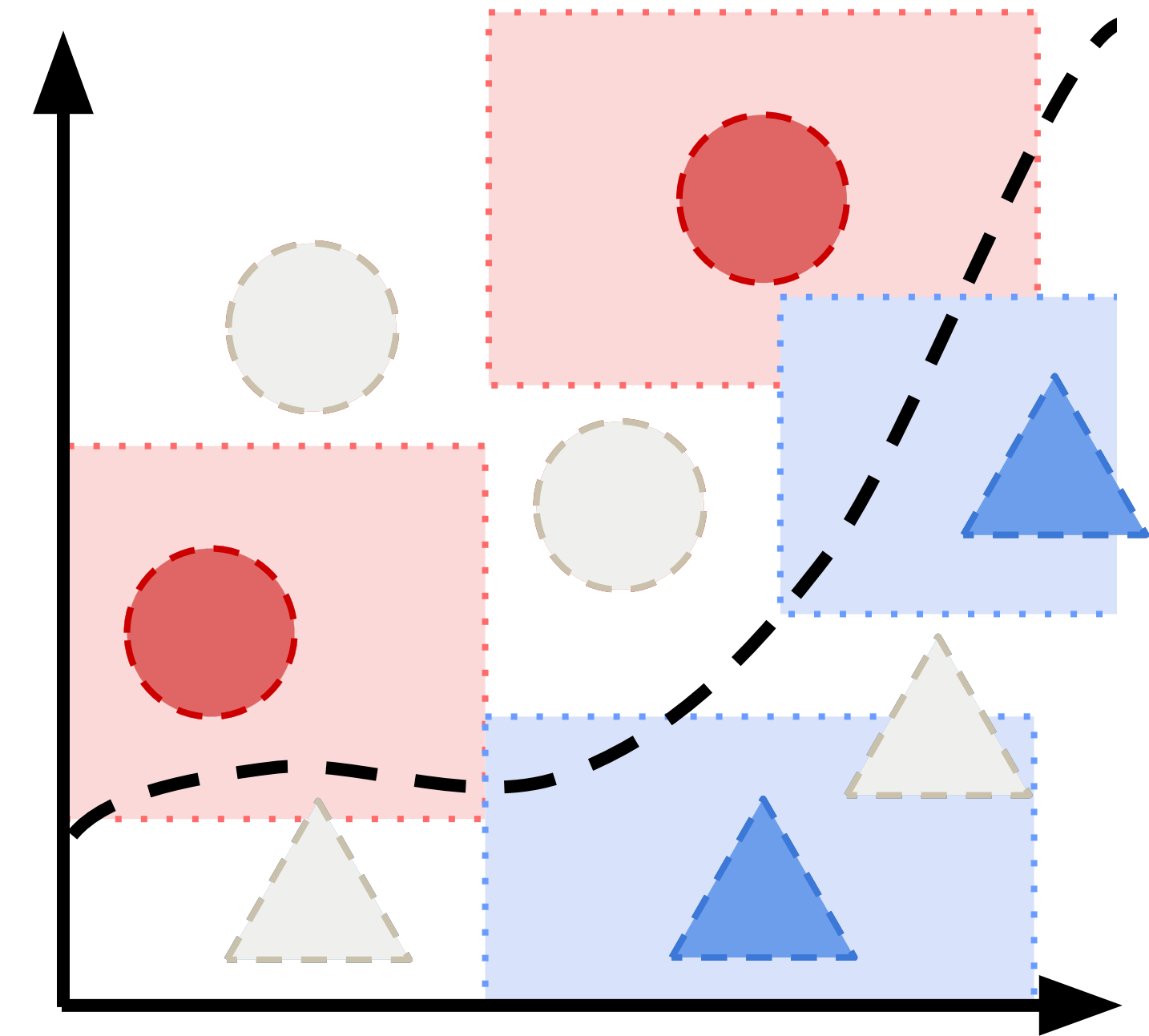
[9] Meaningful explanations of black box ai decision systems, Pedreschi et al.

The Local to Global setting in GLocalX

Explain globally by explaining locally!

- explanation-driven (decision rules)
- inferring instead of learning
- model-agnostic

GLocalX¹⁰: iterative and hierarchical inference axis-parallel decision rules as explanations

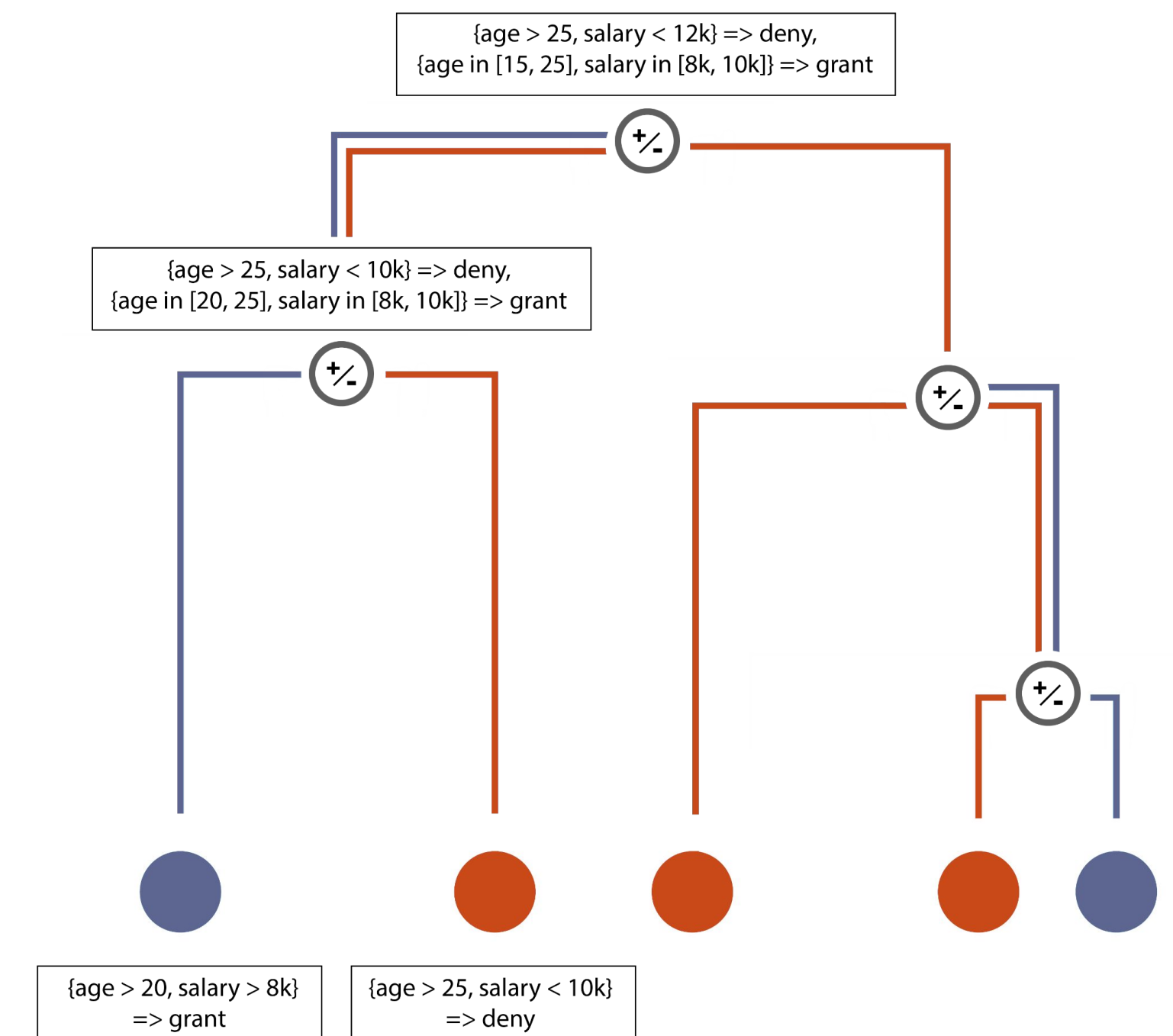


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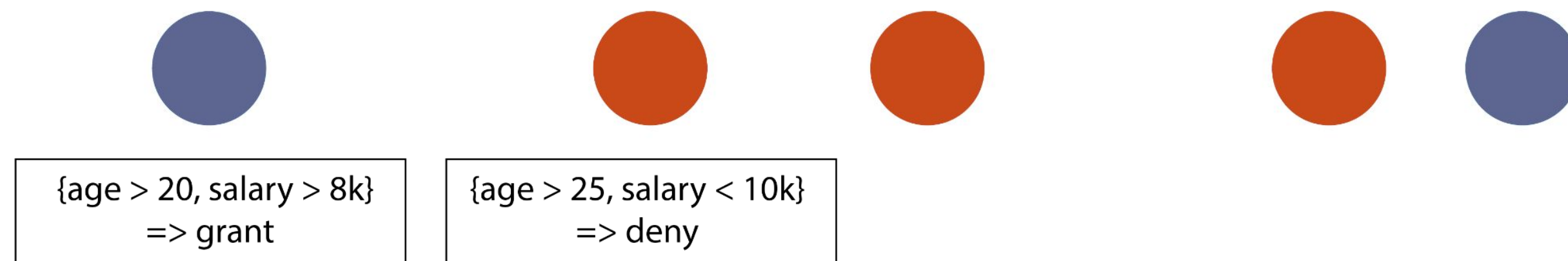
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- output: global decision rules
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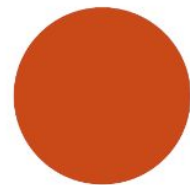


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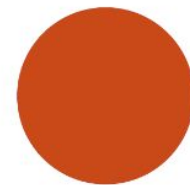
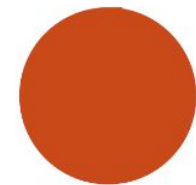
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=> grant

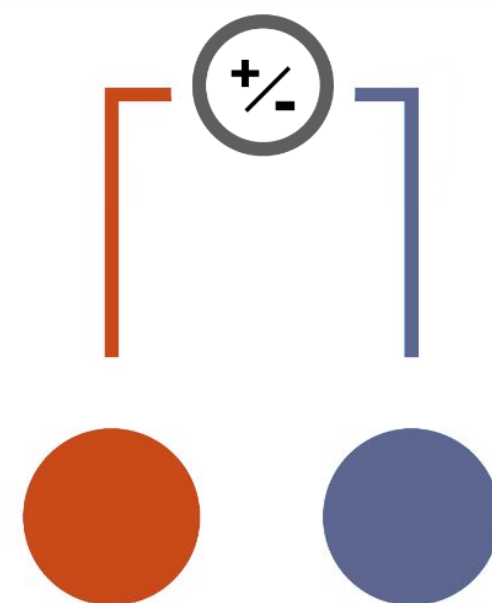
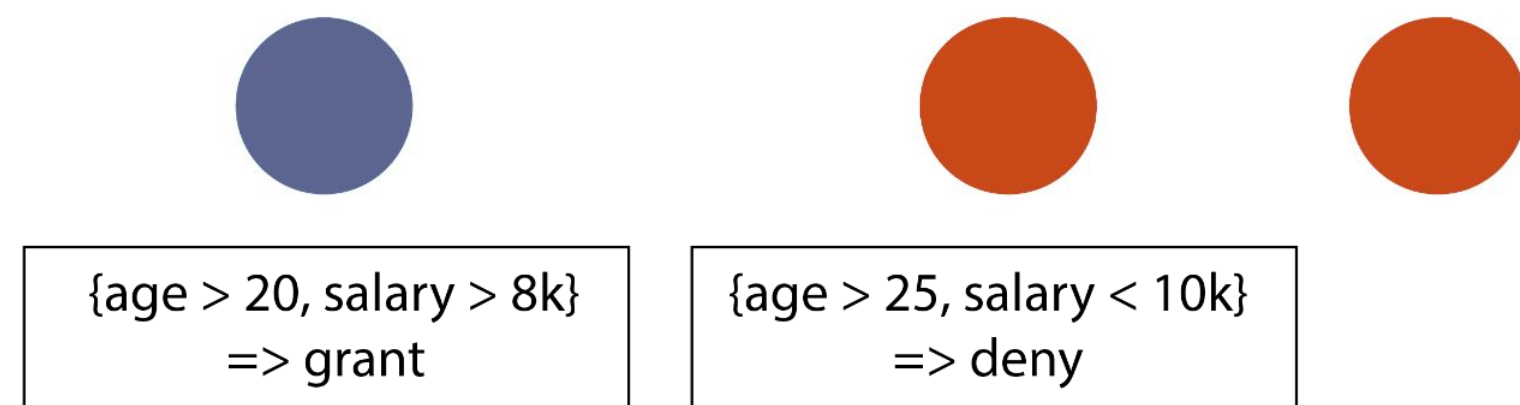


{age > 25, salary < 10k}
=> deny



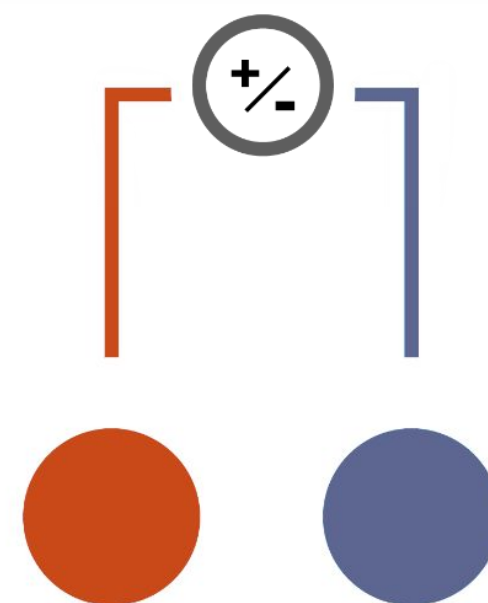
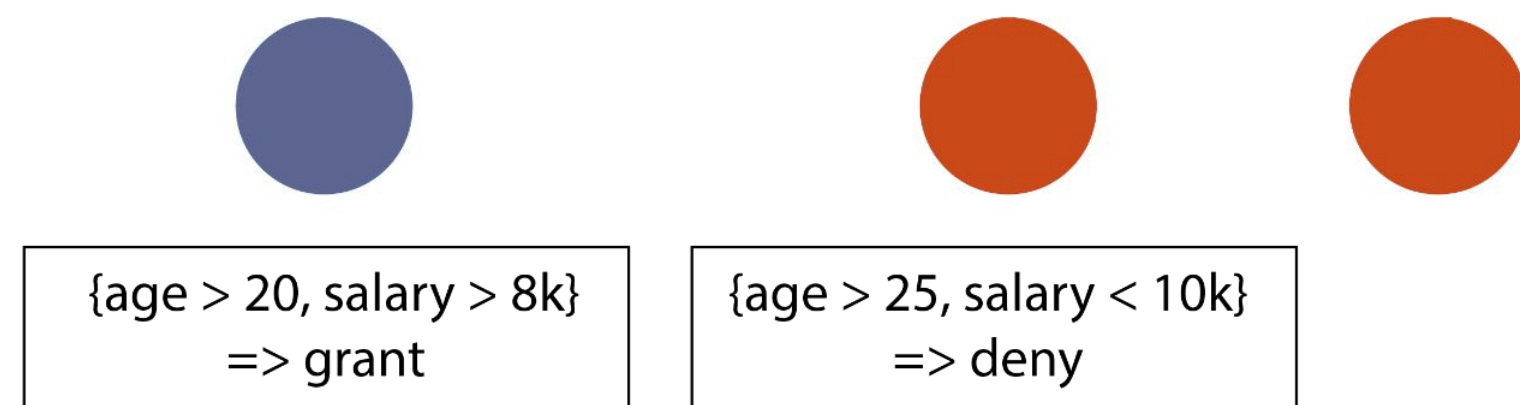
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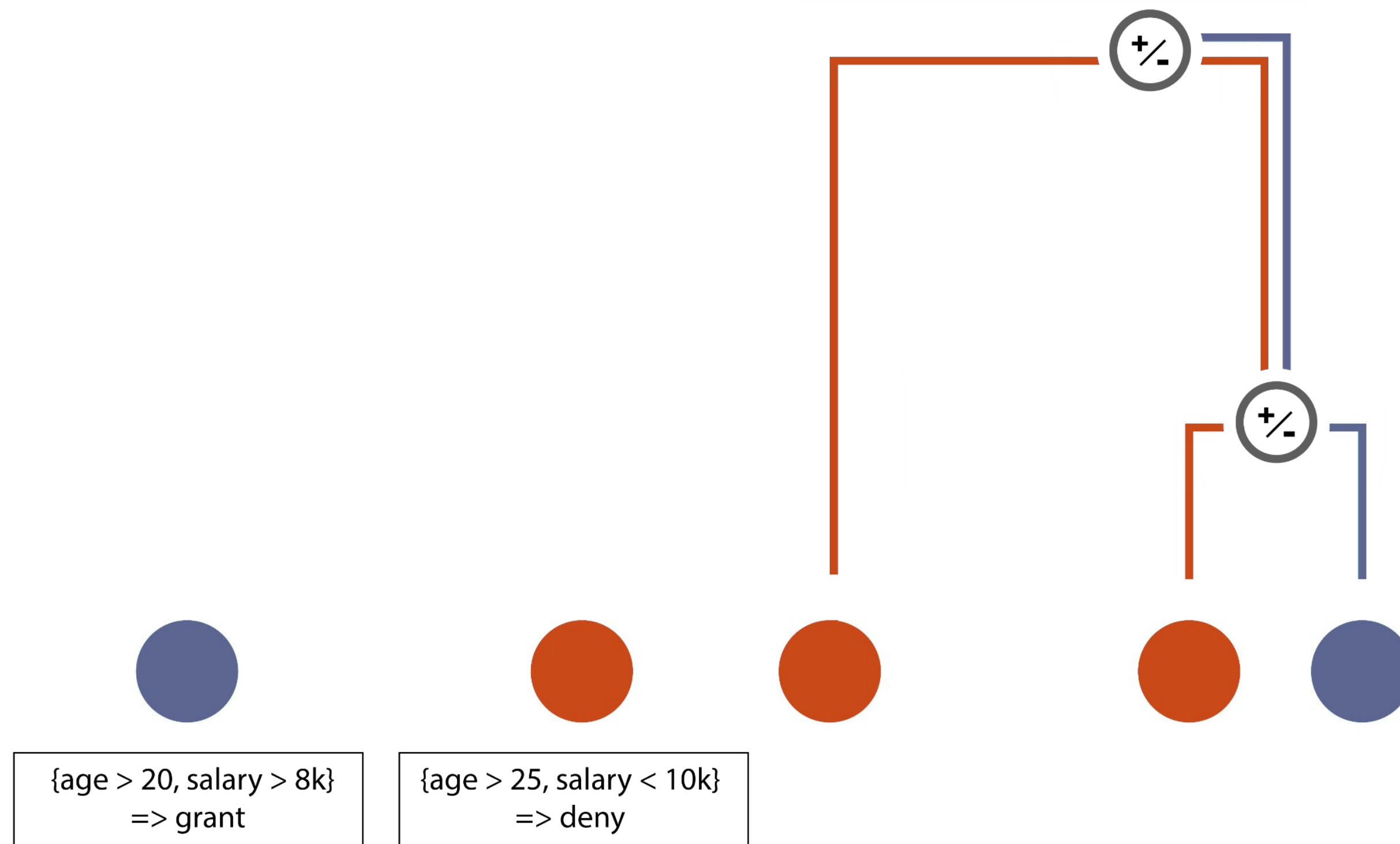
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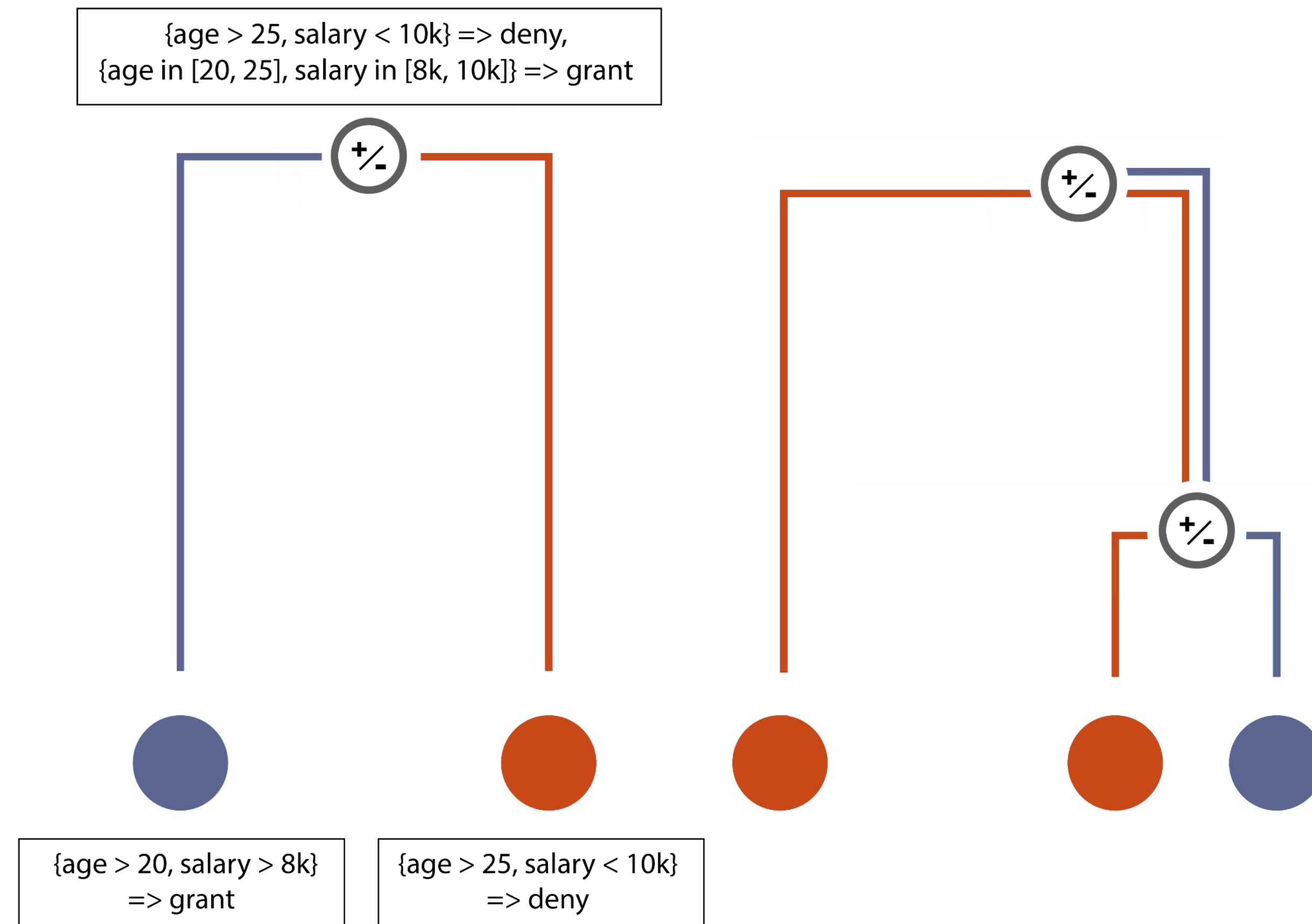


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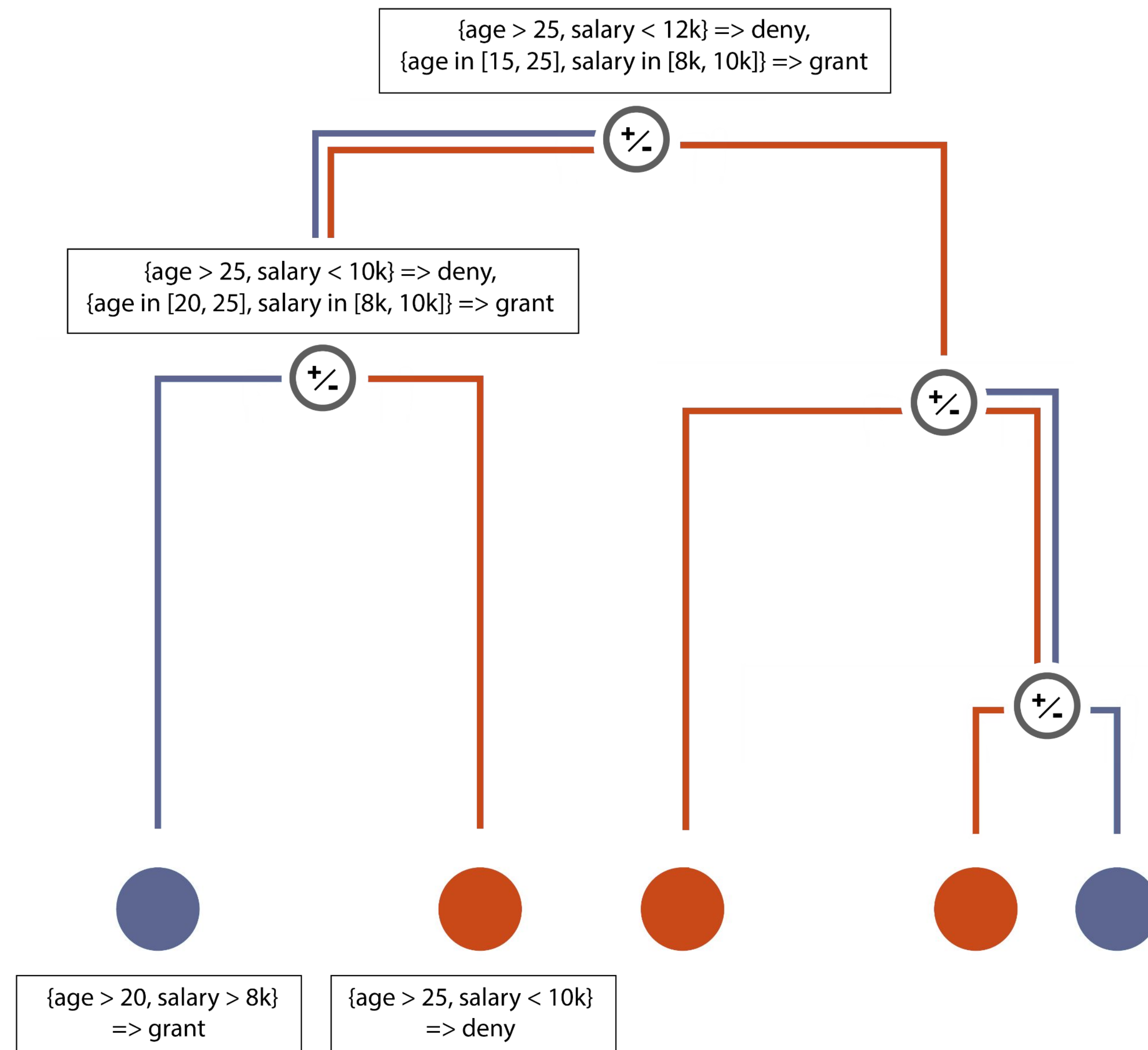


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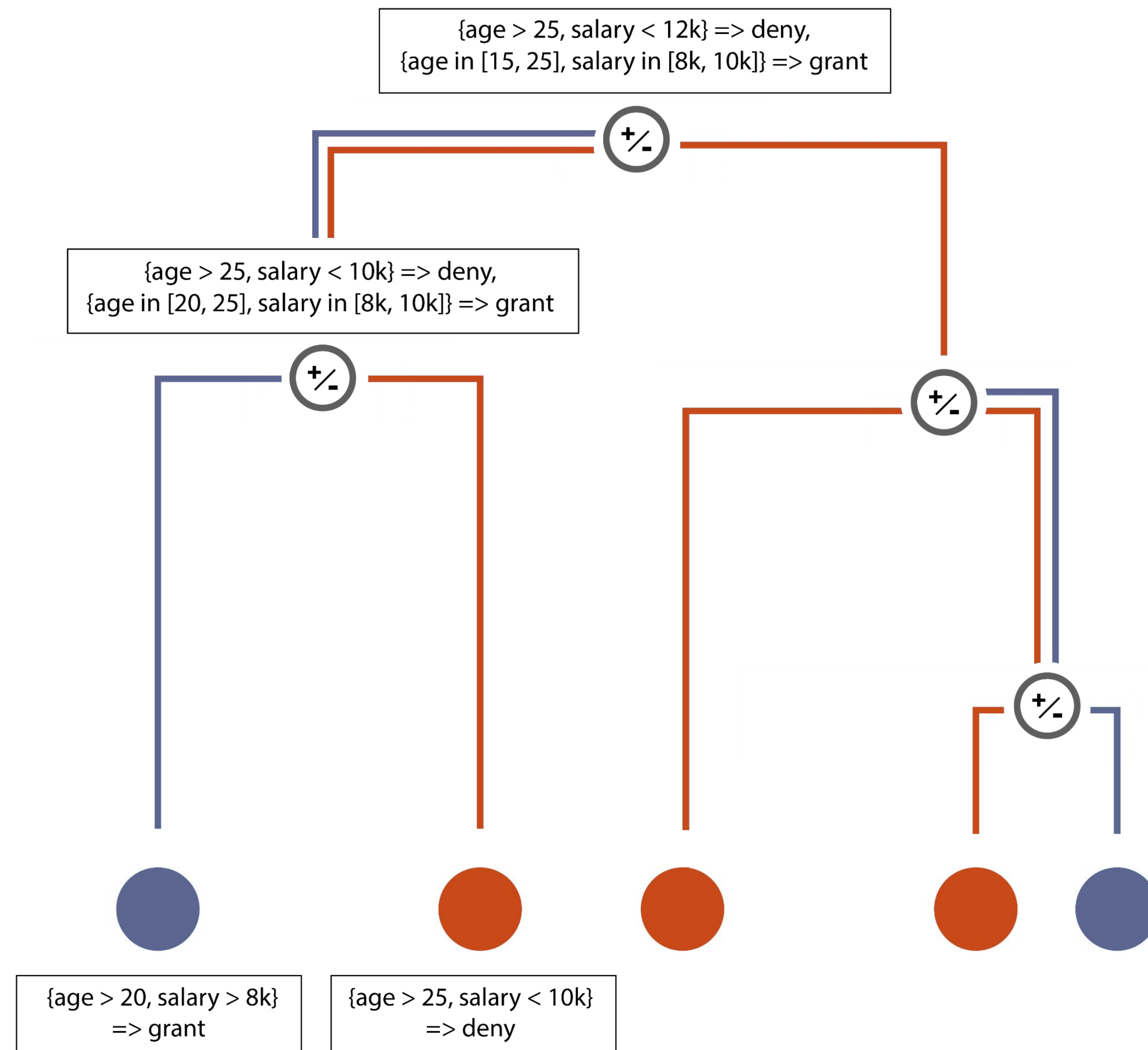
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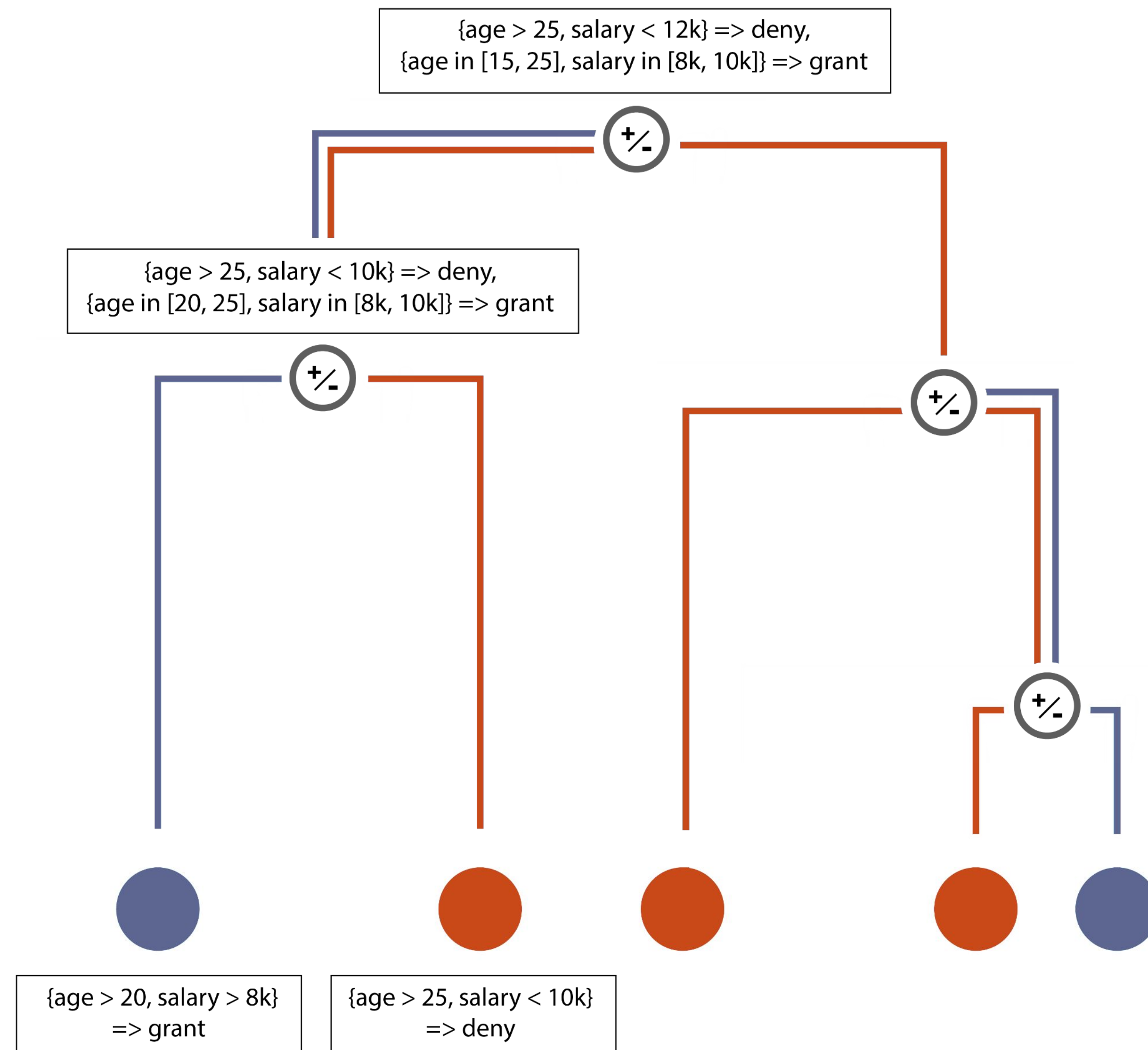


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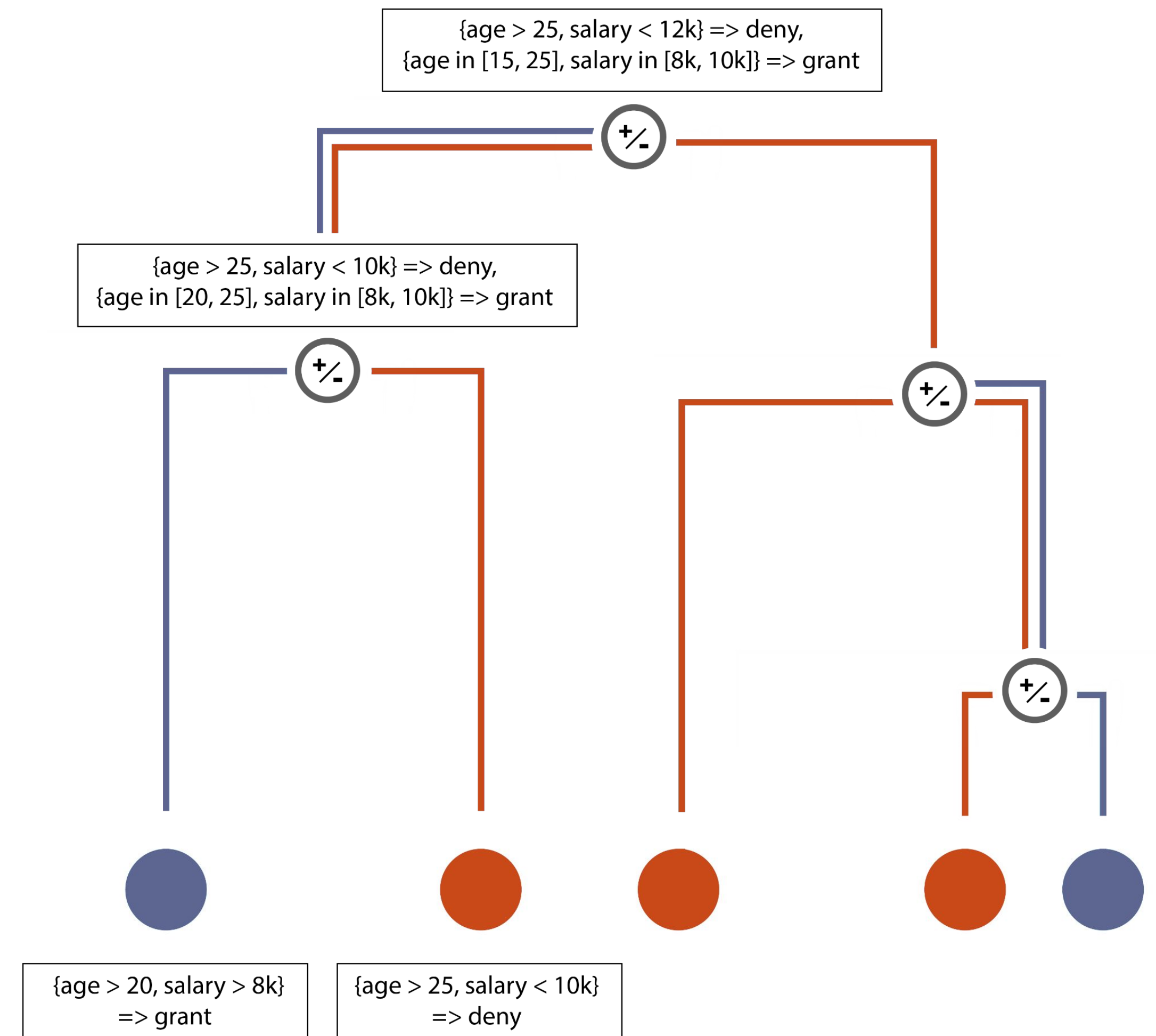
What to merge?

sort merge fitness

- Distance between explanations

$$IoU(cov(e, X), cov(e', X))$$

- Linkage for sets of explanations
 - min
 - max
 - full

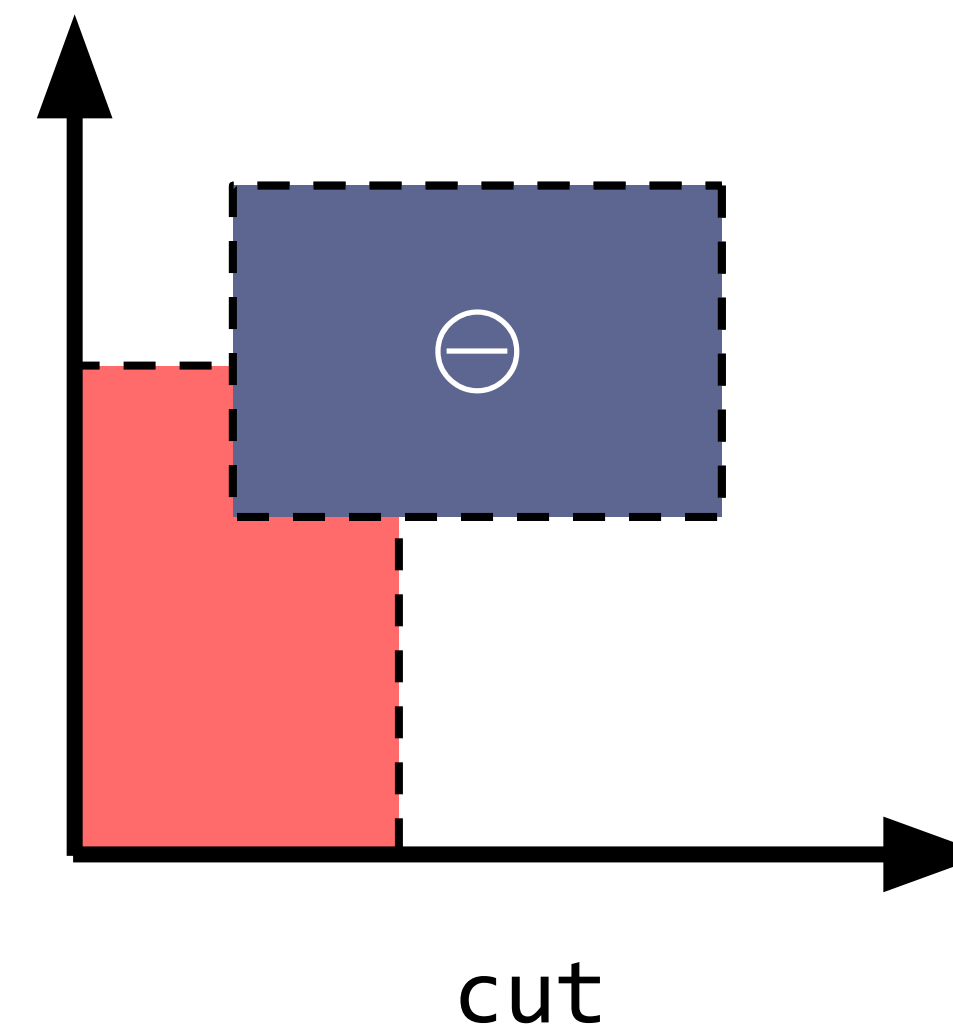
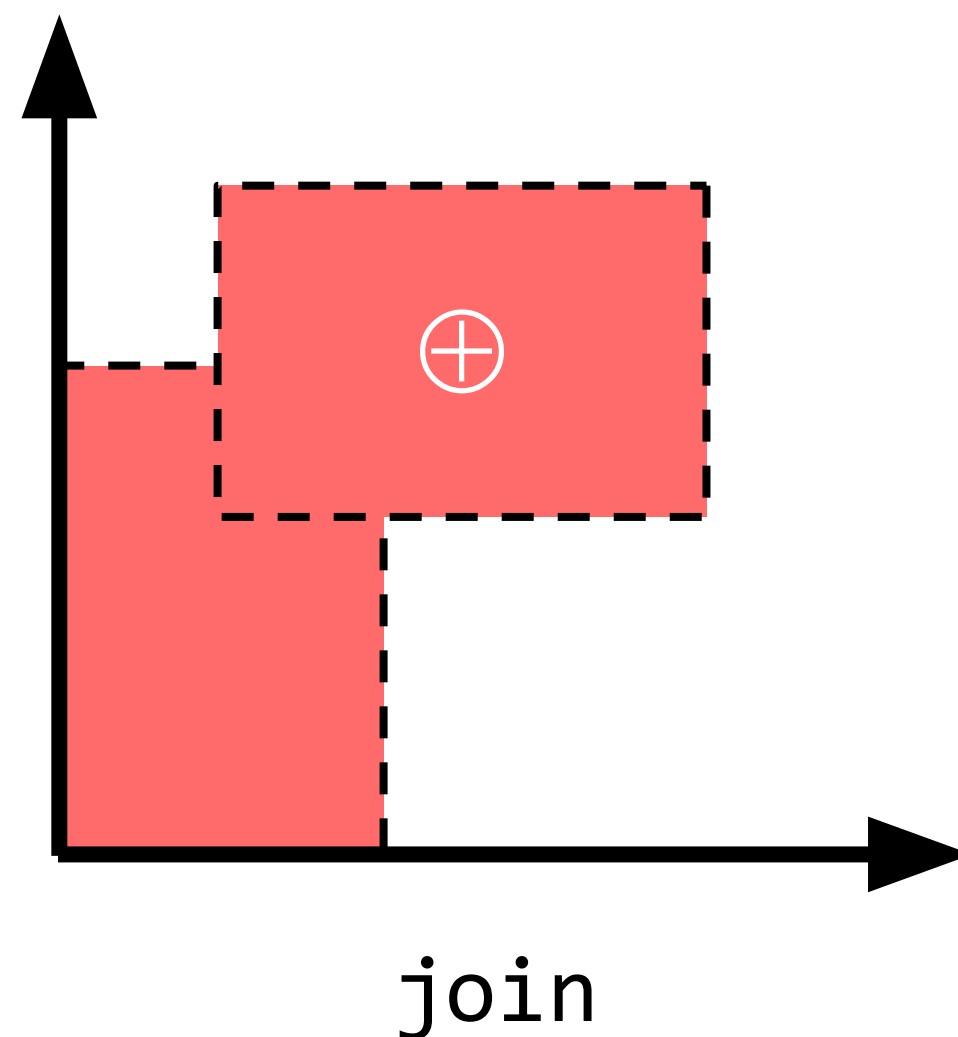


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Twofold merge operator





- approximate union (\oplus) for concordance, approximate difference (\ominus) for discordance
- each premise is an axis-parallel polyhedron, e.g.
premise age > 20 is polyhedron $P_{\text{age}}: [20, +\infty)$



Join

sort merge fitness

From local to global via premise relaxation.

$P_i: [a_p, b_p] + Q_i: [a_q, b_q]$			
[non-empty]	$P_i, Q_i \neq \emptyset$		
[empty]	$P_i = \emptyset \text{ XOR } Q_i = \emptyset$		









$$\text{age} \in [15, 20) \oplus \text{age} \in [25, 40) = \begin{array}{cc} \text{15} & \text{20} \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{cc} \text{25} & \text{40} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{cc} \text{15} & \text{40} \end{array}$$

$\text{age} \in [15, 40)$

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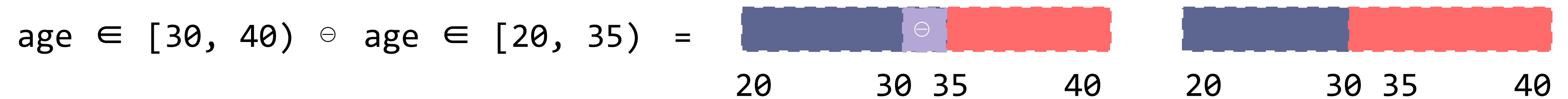
$P_i: [a_p, b_p] - Q_i: [a_q, b_q]$			
[left]	$[a_p, a_q]$		
[right]	$[b_p, b_q]$		
[in-between]	$[a_q, a_p], [b_p, b_q]$		
[everything]	$[a_<, a_p], [b_p, b_>]$		

 cutting  cut  overlap

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$\text{age} \in [30, 40), \text{age} \in [20, 30)$

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Should we merge?

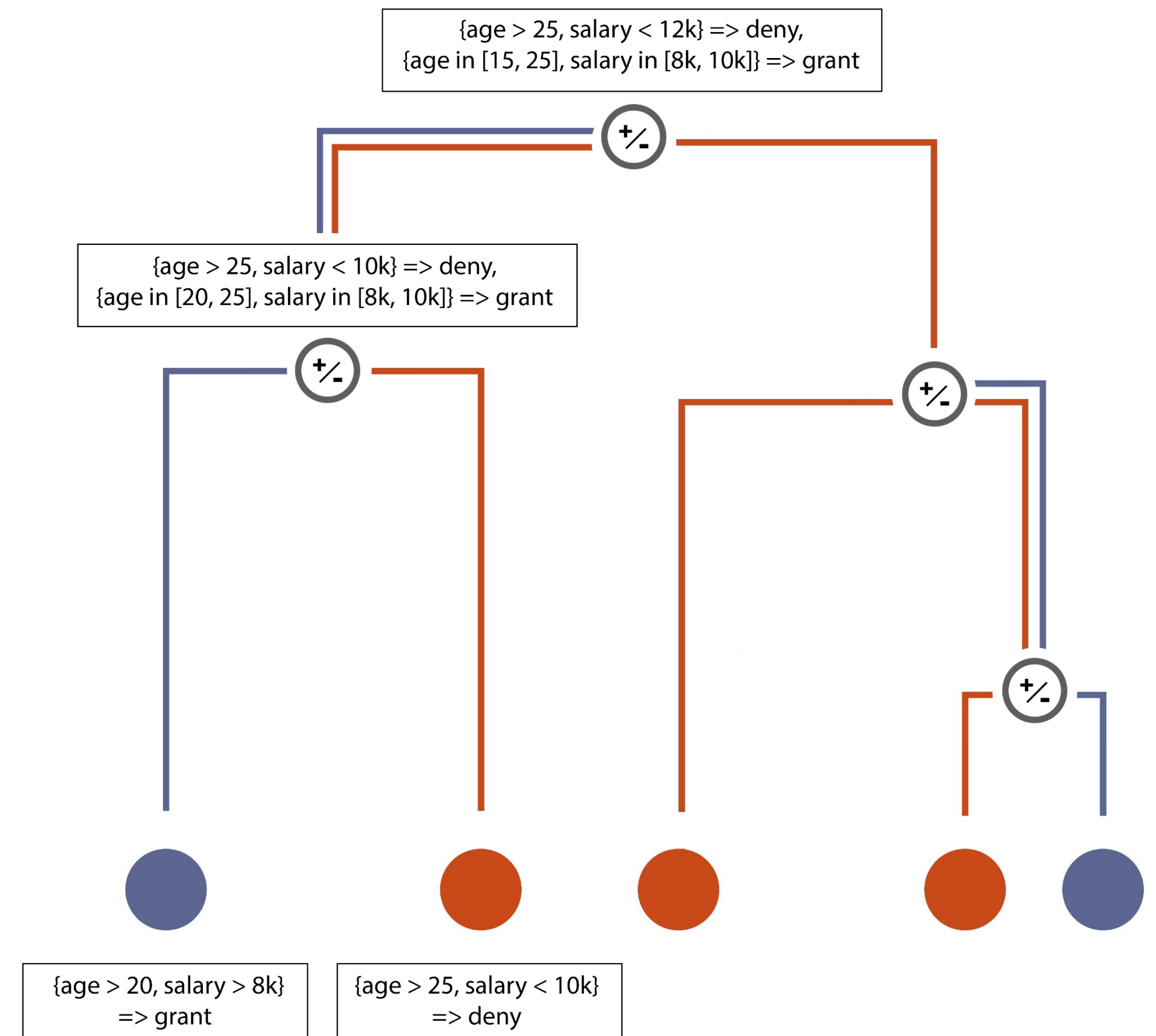
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Not all merges are created equal!

- some are more global and less accurate
- some are less global and more accurate

BIC(E)

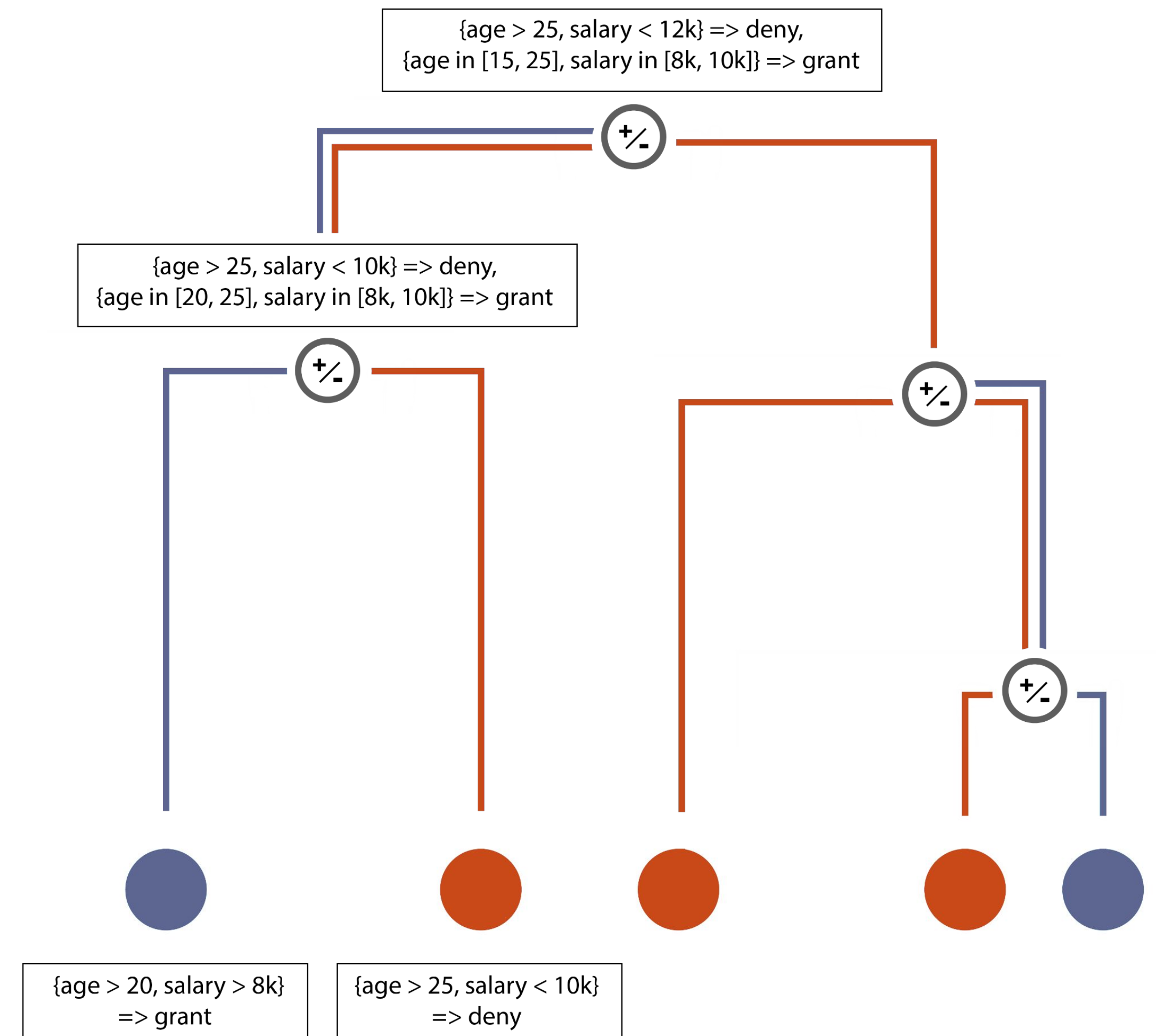
- model likelihood as explanation fidelity
- complexity as avg. #rules and avg. length



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Data may be scarce for auditors and users

- density estimation of training data
- run GLocalX as is



Validation setting

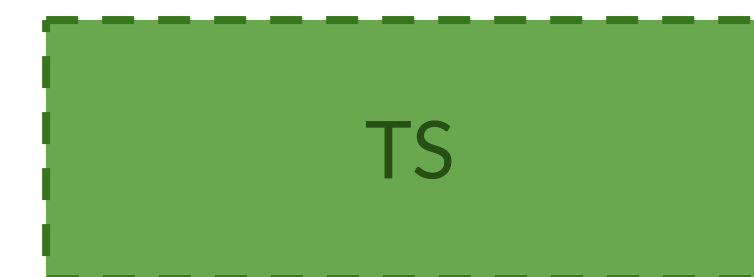
- 3 UCI datasets (~1k to ~50k records) , 8 black boxes (DNN, RF, SVM)
- 1 real-world fraud detection dataset (from the Italian Ministry of Economics)
- Natively global models:
 - rule-based models (CPAR)
 - decision tree (pruned/not pruned)



reserved to the black box



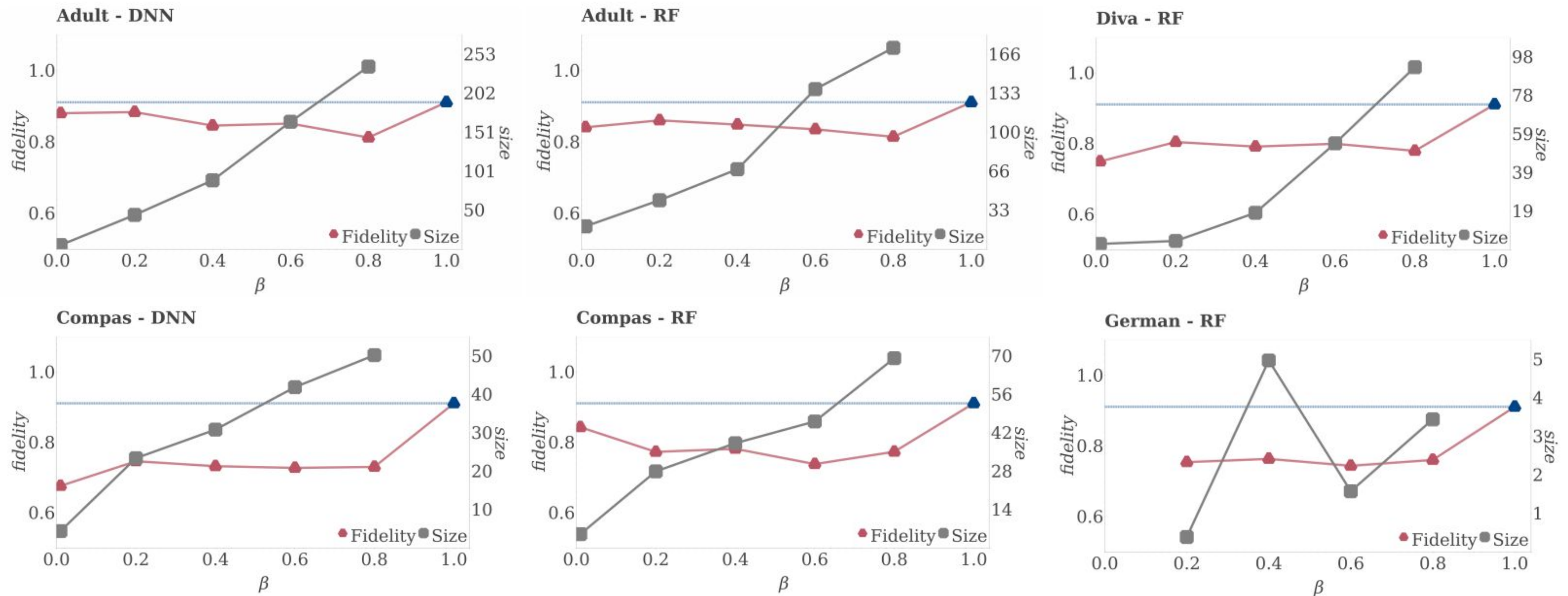
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blind

Input size: how many rules do we need?

Acquiring local explanation can be costly, can we get away with using fewer local explanations?



How simple can we make our explanations?

The higher the filter, the less rules we output.

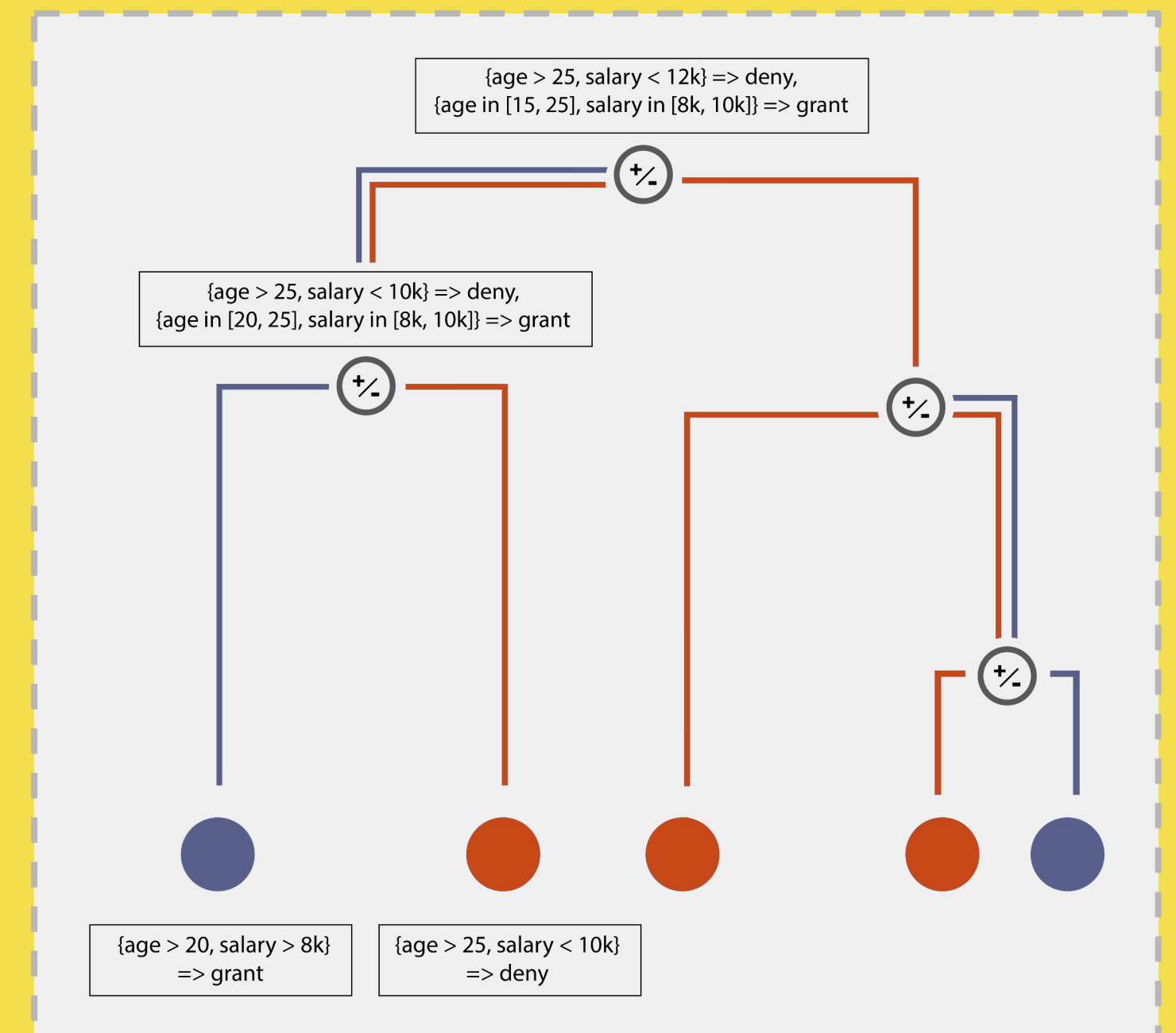
<i>α-percentile</i>	Fidelity	Size	Length
75	83.0 ± 3.6	31.0 ± 19.4	5.36 ± 2.41
90	84.7 ± 5.14	11.5 ± 6.4	5.43 ± 2.46
95	84.5 ± 5.48	6.625 ± 2.9	5.17 ± 2.59
99	84.0 ± 5.0	3.625 ± 2.6	5.97 ± 3.04

GLocalX vs Natively global models

	Fidelity	Size	Length
<i>GLocalX</i>	85.1	8.5	4.28 ± 1.42
<i>GLocalX</i> *	83.5	9.5	4.79 ± 1.67
<i>CPAR</i>	86.6	91.6	3.06 ± 1.66
<i>Decision Tree</i>	87.5	1036.5	6.60 ± 1.86
<i>Pruned Decision Tree</i>	85.5	29.1	2.64 ± 0.73
<i>Union</i>	76.8	2660.2	4.14 ± 1.63

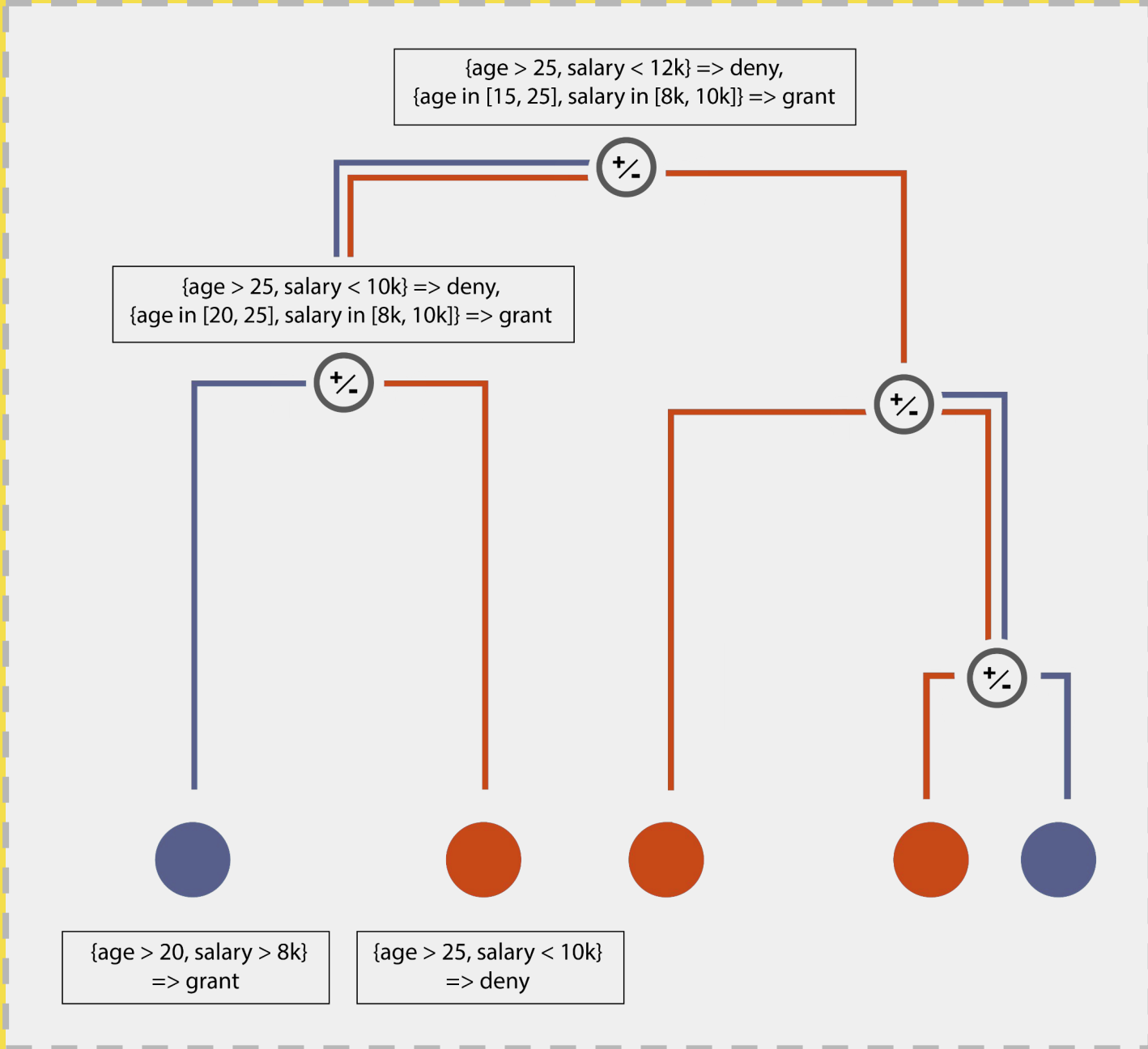
GLocalX

- Local to Global explanation paradigm
- Explaining globally by explaining locally
- Explanation cost: how many explanations do we really need?



GLocalX: future works (?)

- Logical inference
- Knowledge integration
- Local to (sub-)Global
- Local to Global in other domains

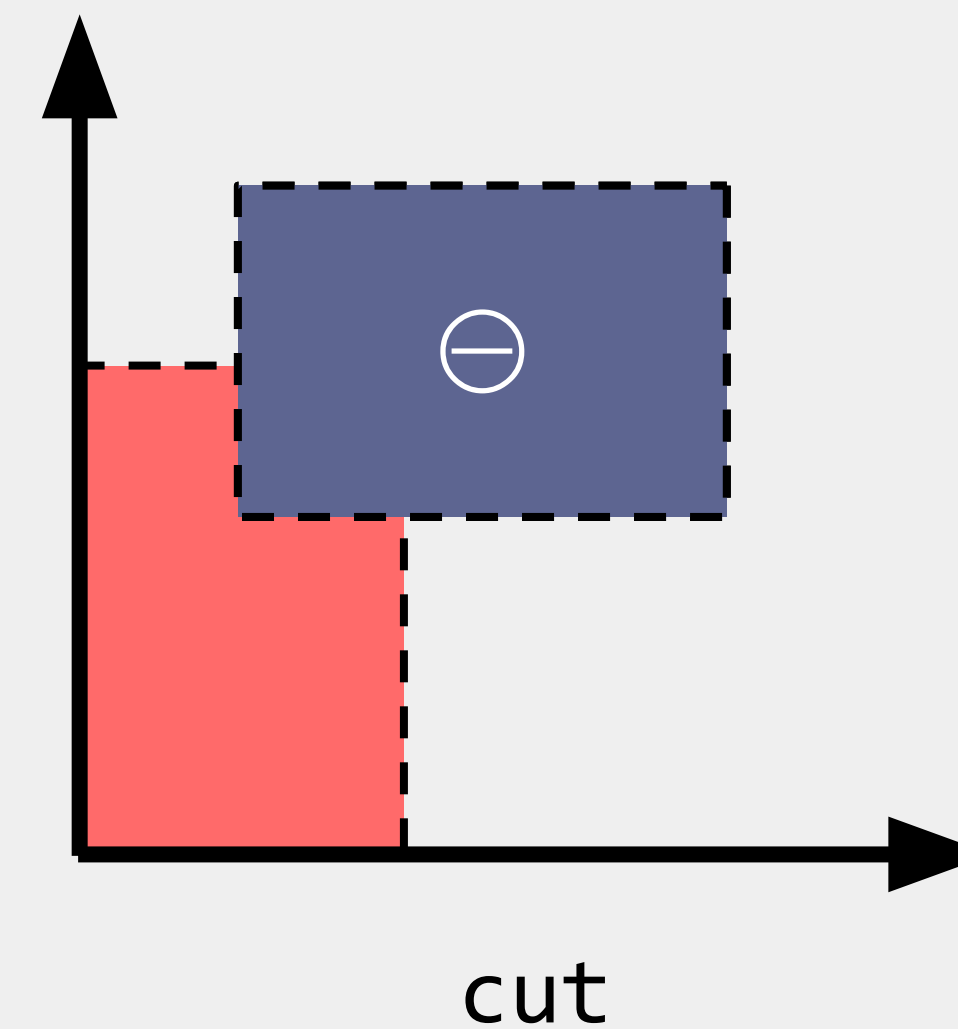
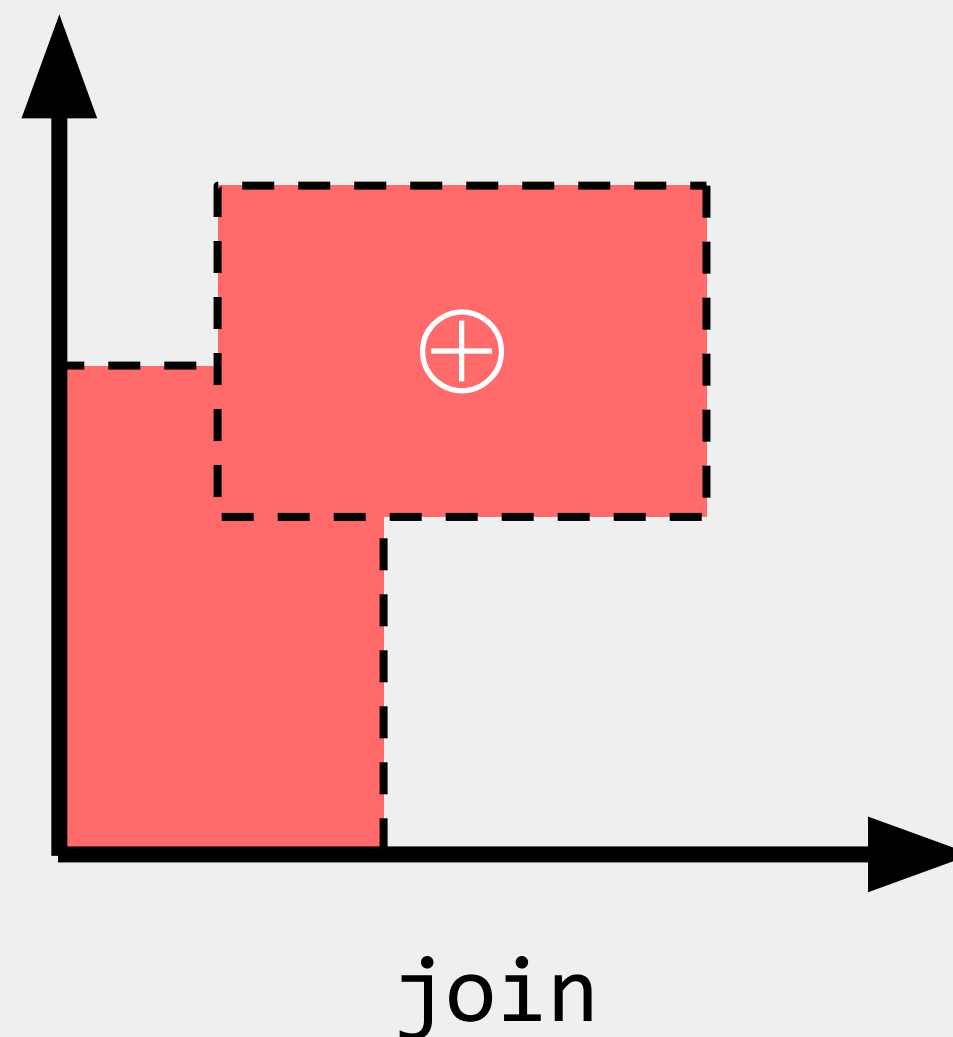


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Inference (or subsumption?)

May remind you of θ -subsumption in ILP⁵. In a LFE setting:

- [join] generalization as entailment (local entails global)
- [cut] specialization as inverse entailment (global entails local)

Why not apply classic LFE learning?

- lack of variables (what to substitute?);
- lattice already implicit in the polyhedral interpretation;
- practically: very few merges, less accurate models;

Generalization: Join

Piggybacking again on ILP: background knowledge injection and predicate invention

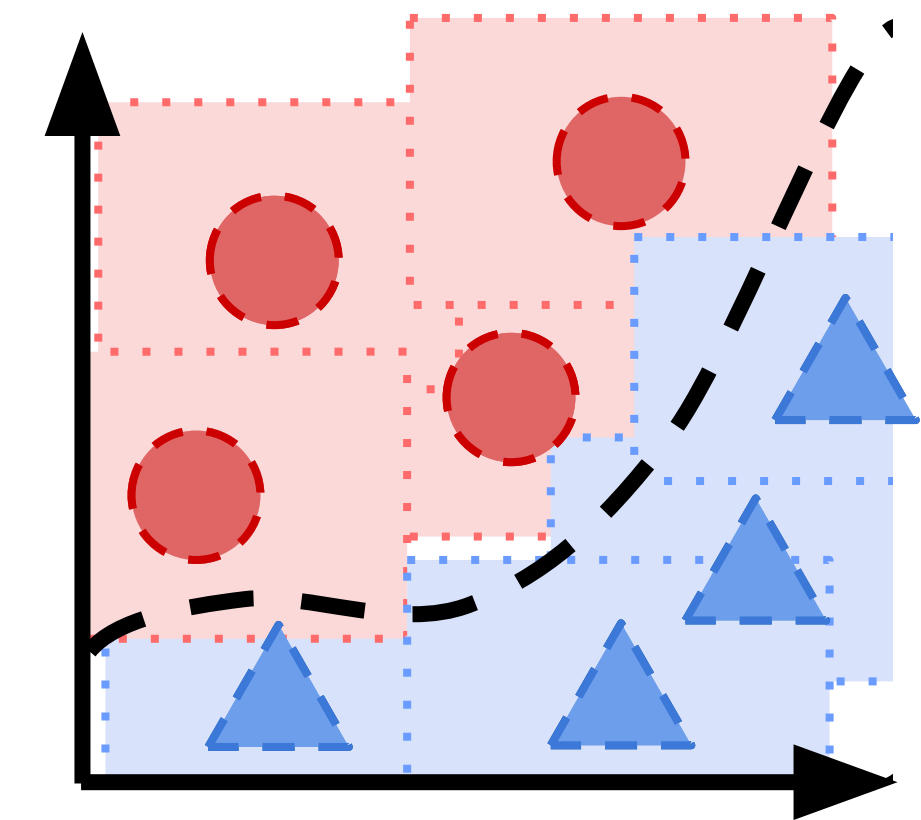
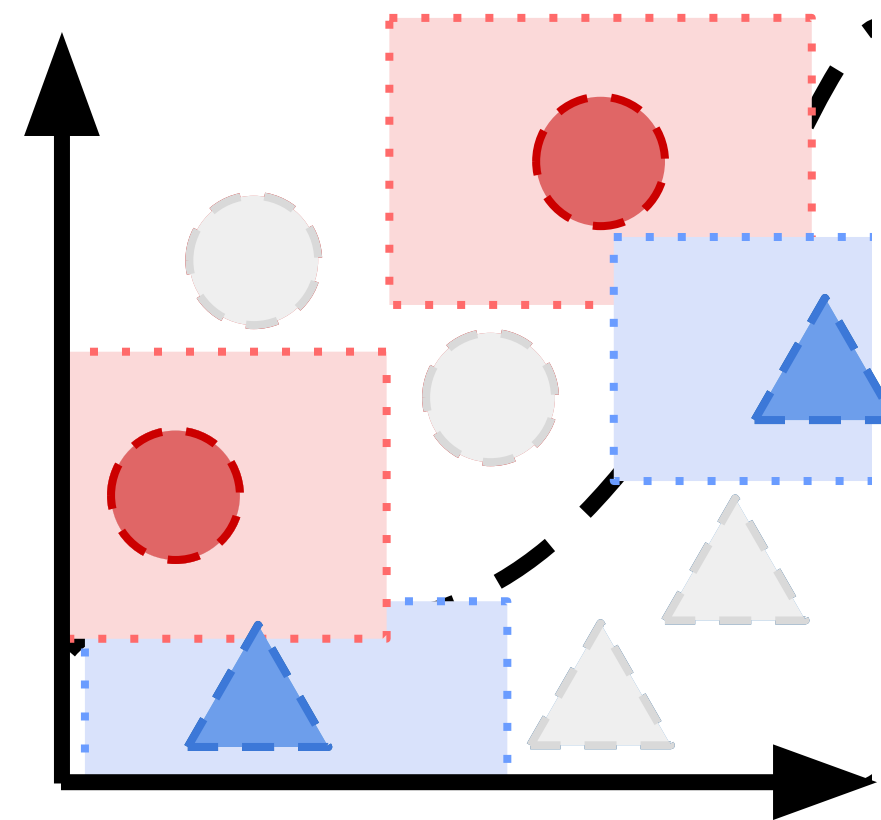
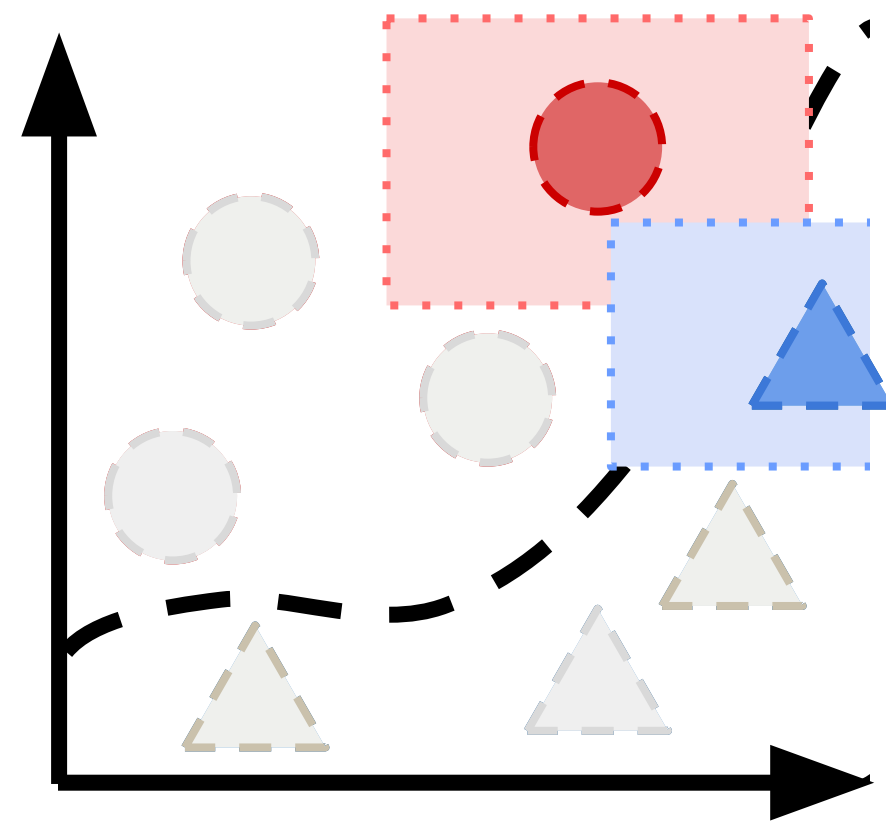
- can generalize premises to domain-specific concepts
- can use more principled similarity measures
- invent symbols for common clauses (premises)

Local to (sub-)global

Locality (globality) is a continuum!

Explain different (possibly related) groups/clusters, e.g.

- medical AI on white/black or young/old patients⁷
- AI judge on white/black defendants⁸



[6] Interpretable Decision Sets: A Joint Framework for Description and Prediction, Lakkaraju et al.

[7] FairLens: Auditing black-box clinical decision support systems, Panigutti et al.

[8] <https://github.com/propublica/compas-analysis>

Local to Global in other domains

A plethora of challenges:

- [text] sparsity, merging tokens/text, few (if any) global families;
- [images] highly complex and entangled latent space.

Backup slides

