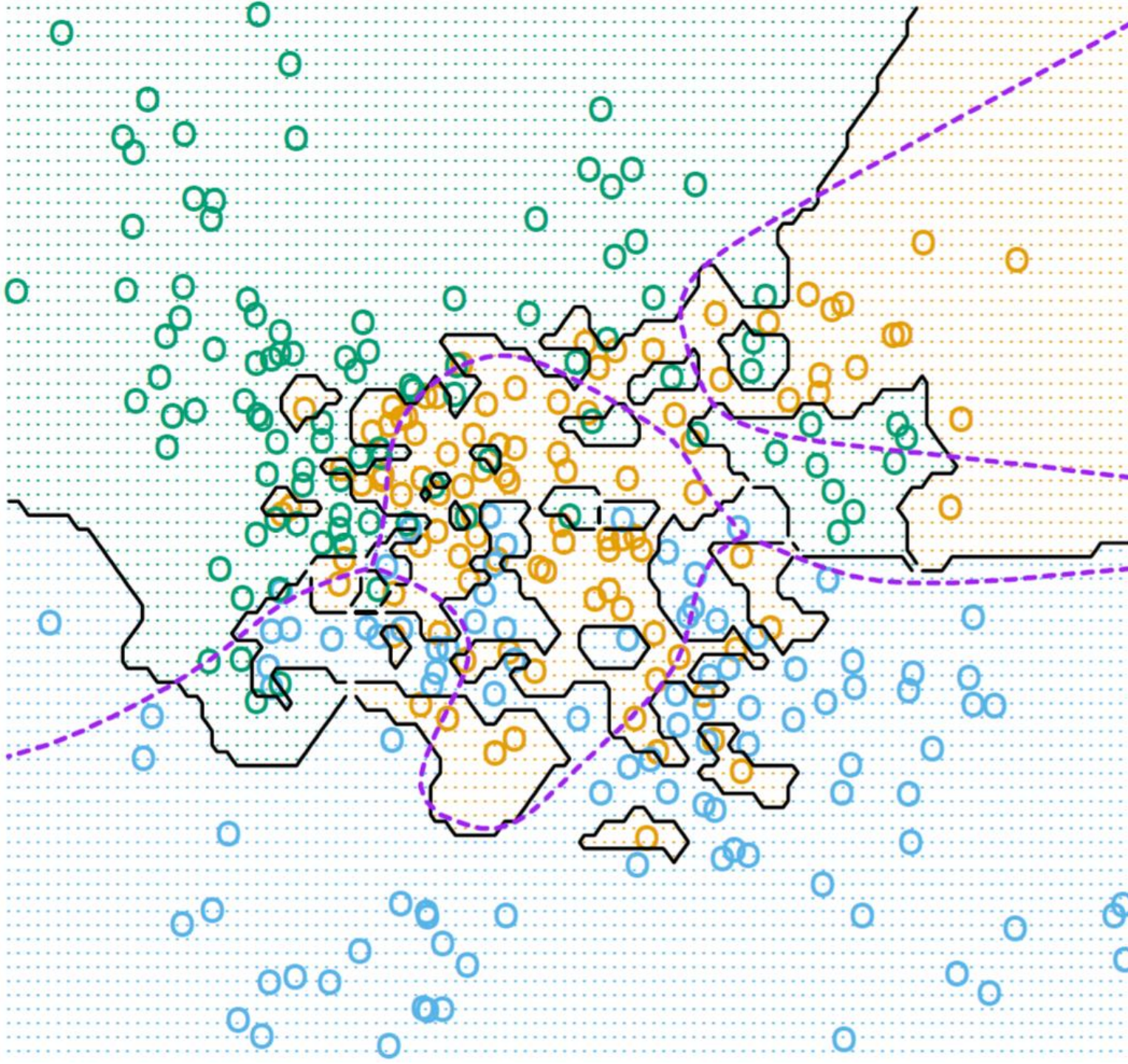


NEAREST NEIGHBOUR CLASSIFIER

Lecture-4,5





CLASSIFICATION BOUNDARY WITH NNC

- 2-d Euclidean example
- Dirichlet Tesselation or Voronoi Decomposition
- Bayes optimal in purple



ASYMPTOTIC BOUND

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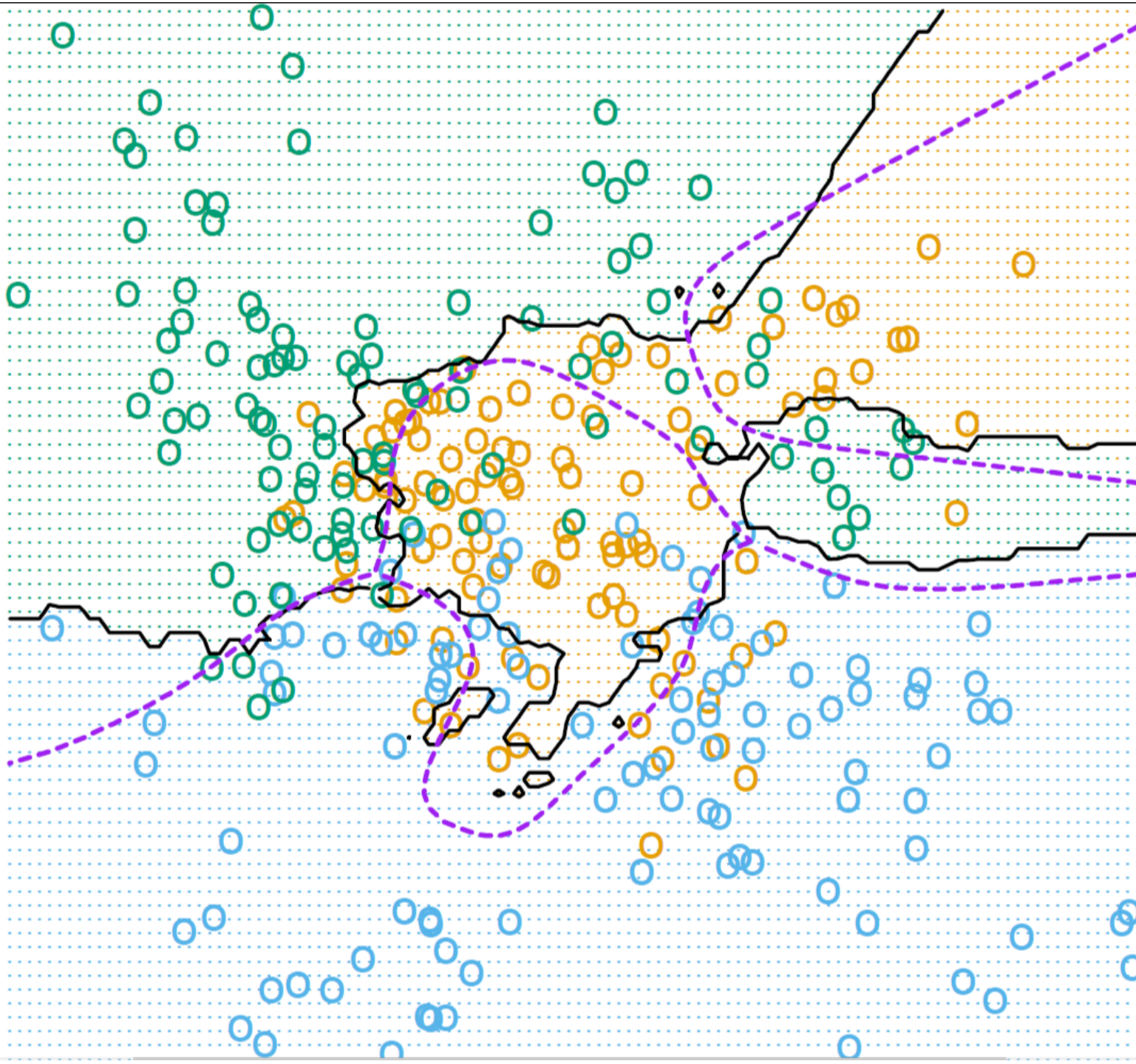
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- Interesting extreme cases:
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CLASSIFICATION BOUNDARY WITH KNNC

- Smoother boundary
- Closer to Bayes optimal



ASYMPTOTIC BOUND

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- However, with finite m , it may happen that $R_m^{(2k+1)NN} \geq R_m^{(2k-1)NN}$



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Curse of dimensionality
(here artefact of analysis)

