

A Ranking Stability Measure for Quantifying the Robustness of Anomaly Detection Methods

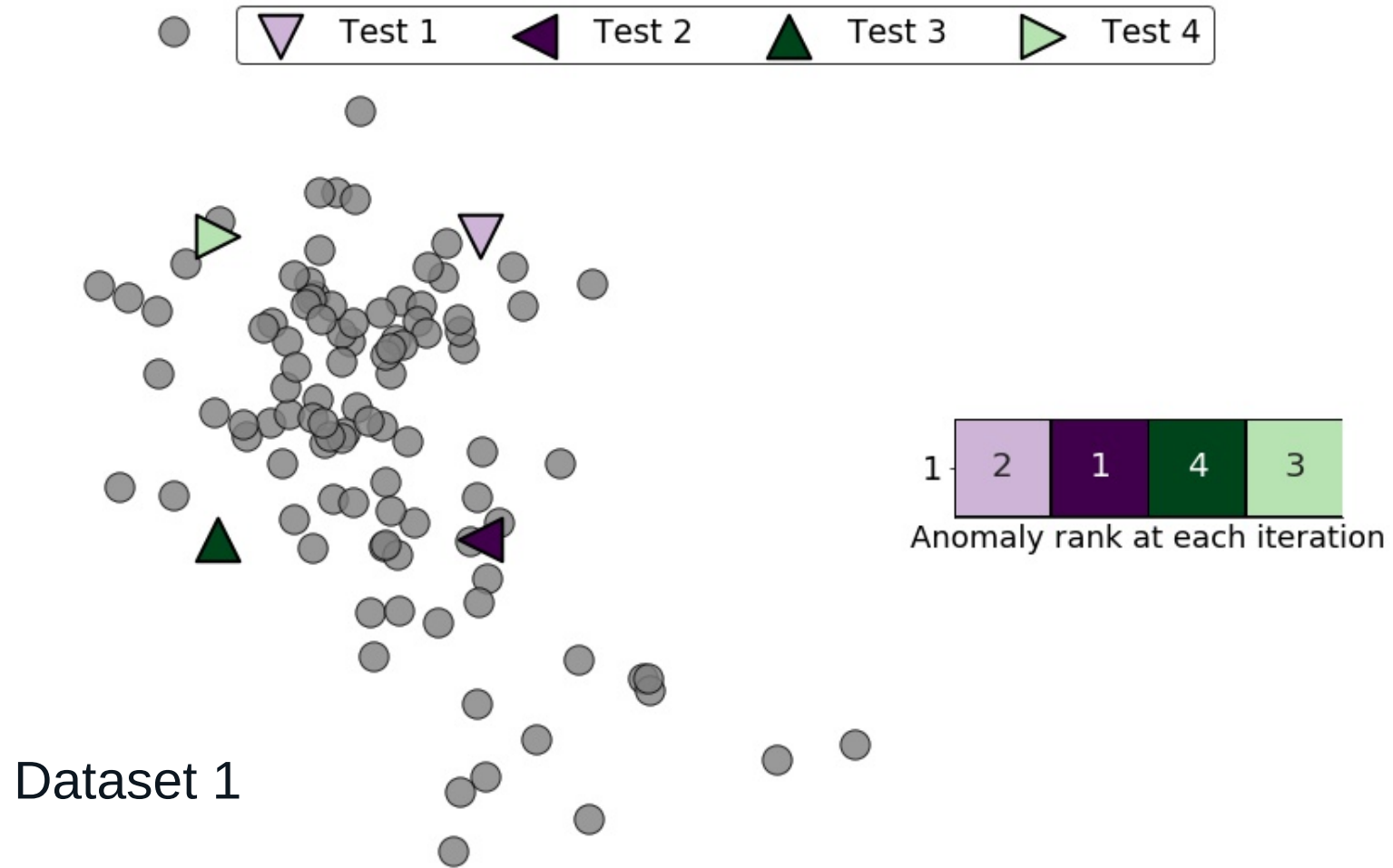
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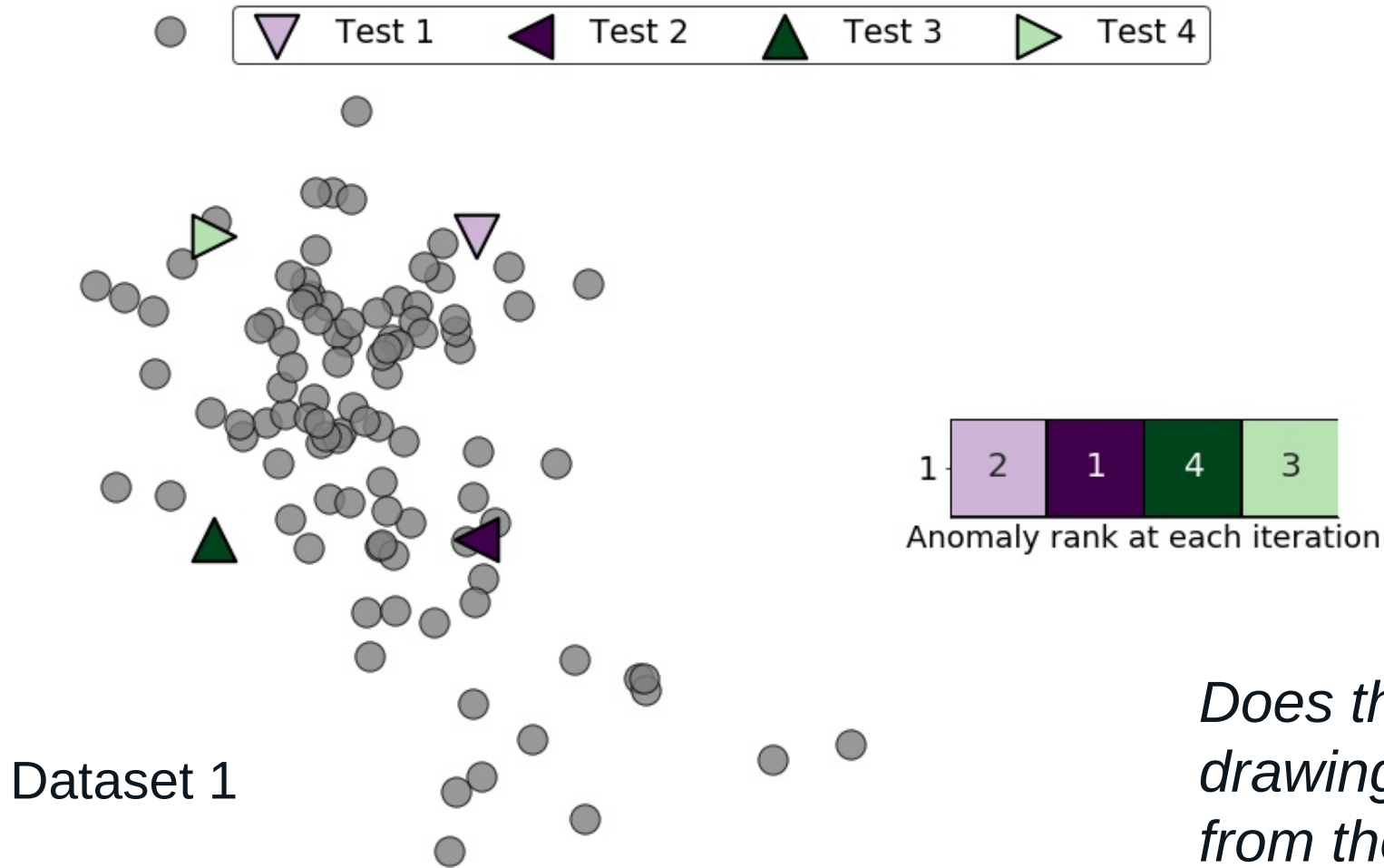
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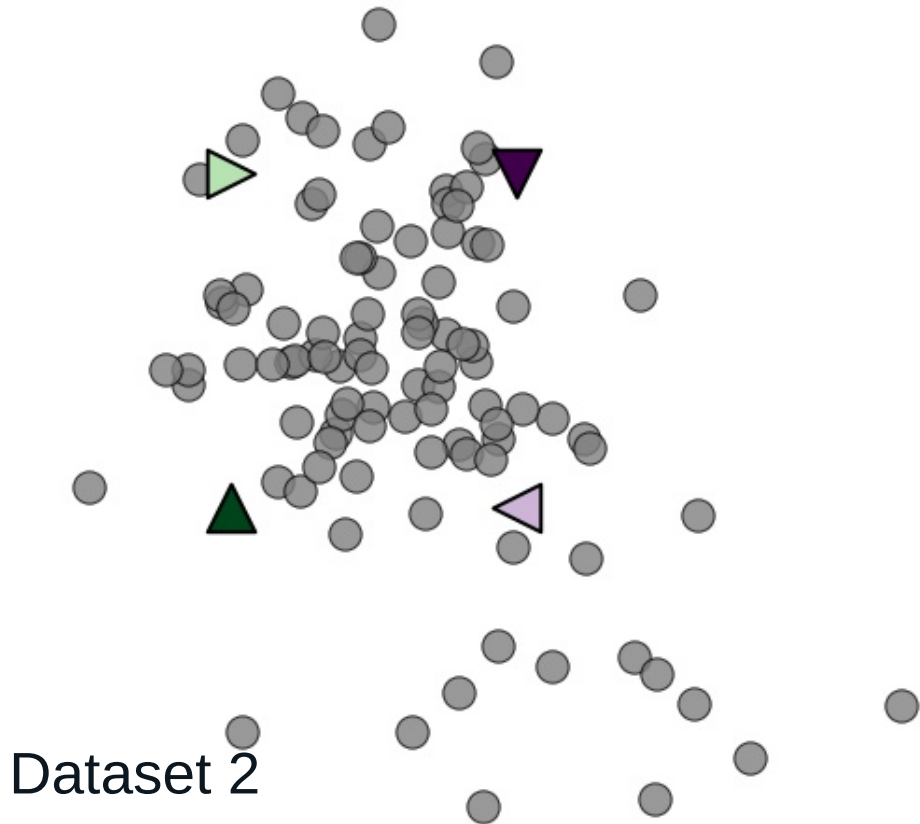


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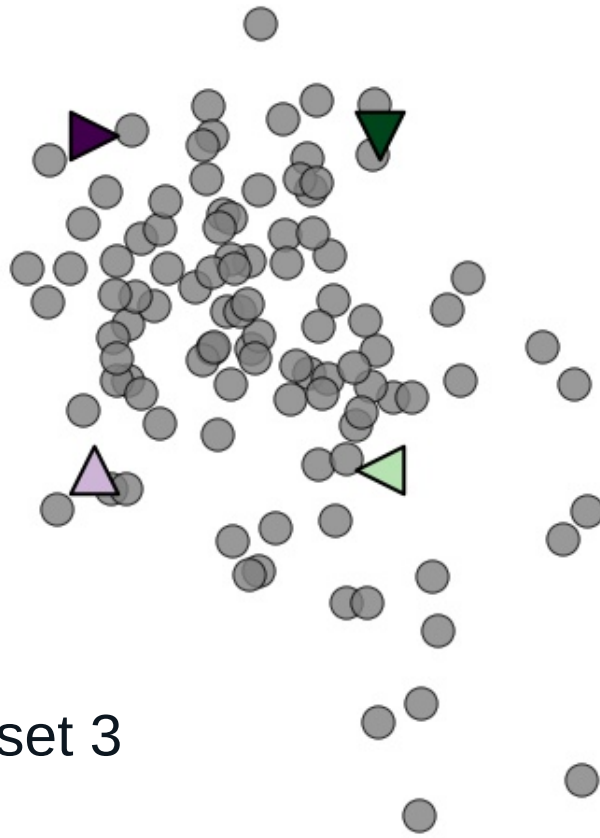
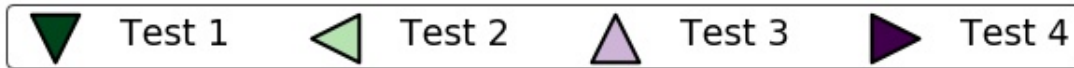
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1	3	1	4	2
2	1	2	4	3
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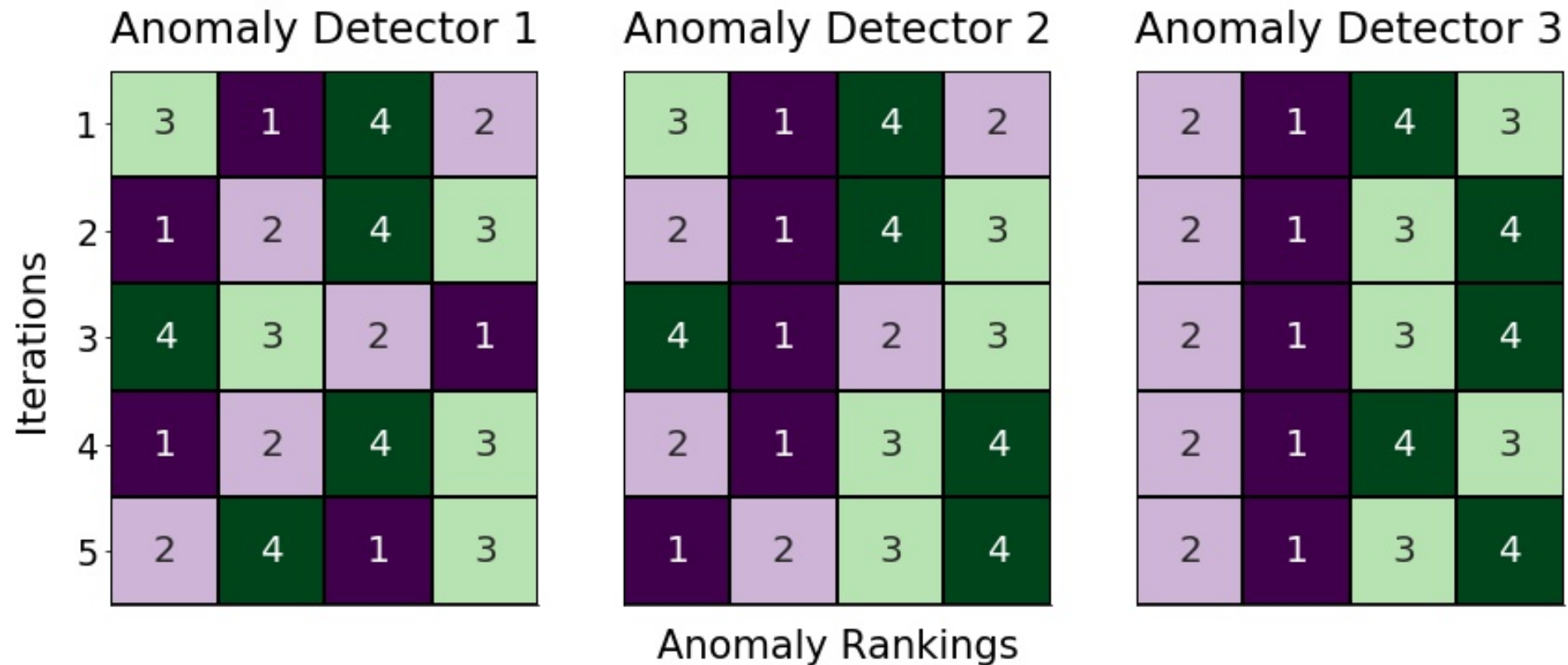


1	3	1	4	2
2	1	2	4	3
3	4	3	2	1

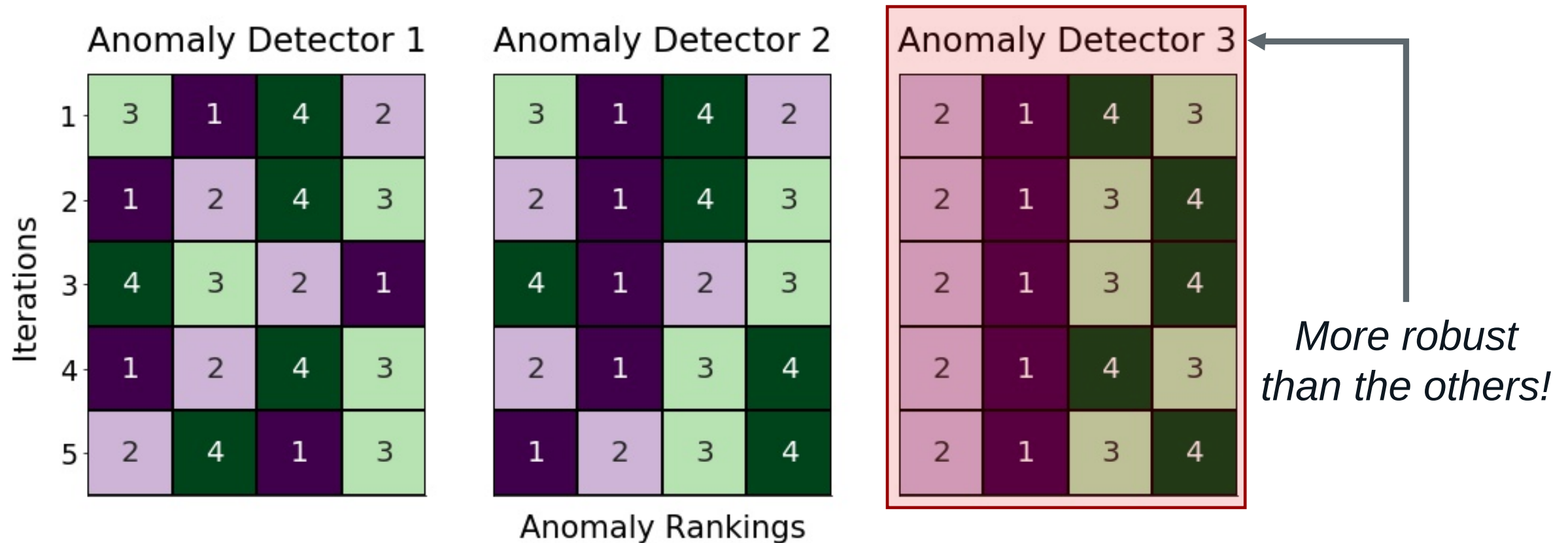
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*How **stable** is the model in making anomaly rankings?*

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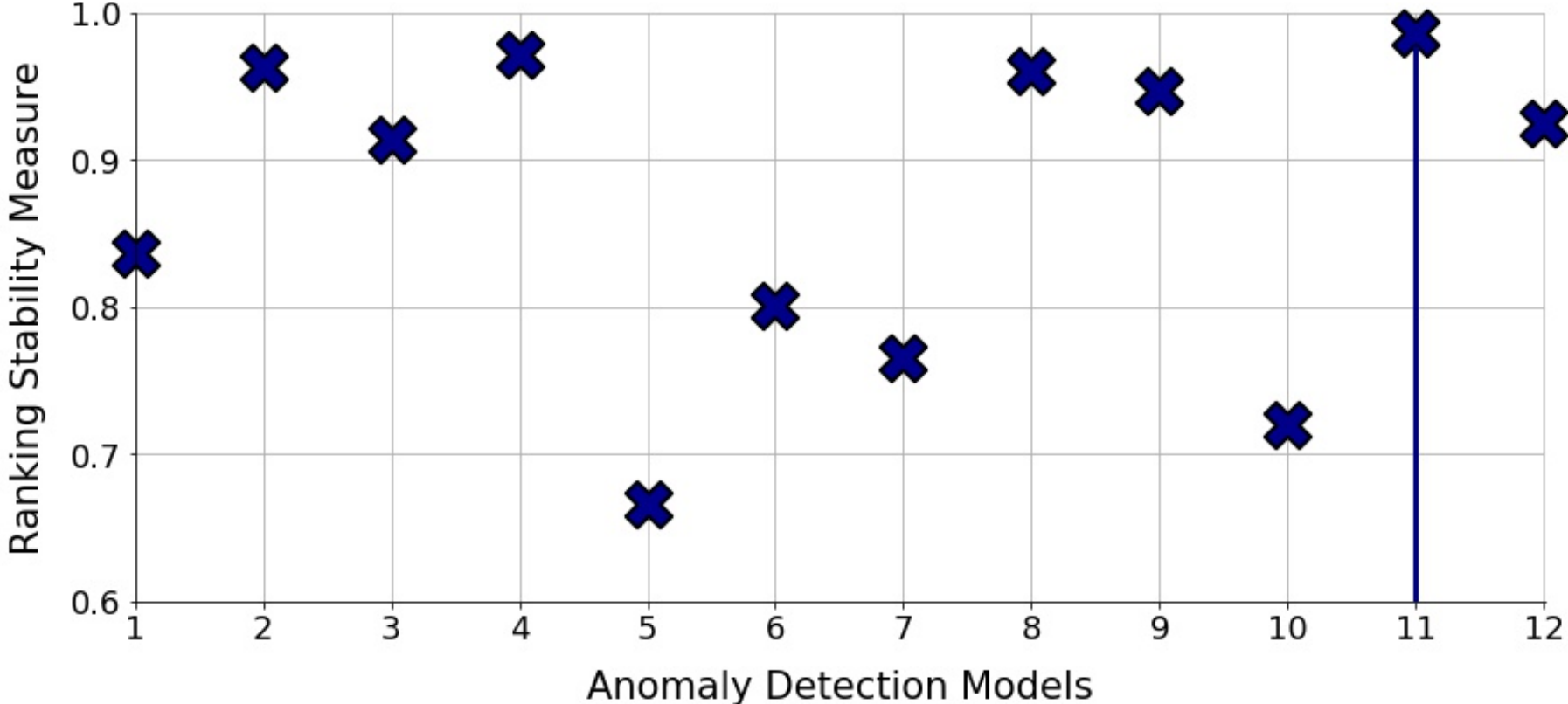
- *Given:*

Training and test sets, and an anomaly detection model;

- *Do:*

Design a stability measure quantifying the ability of the model to rank the test examples consistently under variations in the training set.

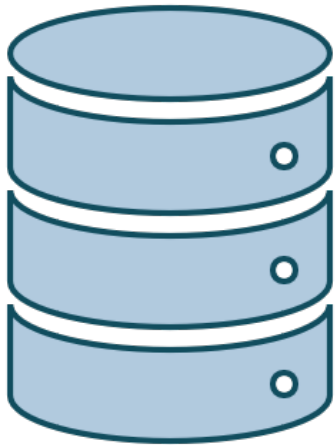
Which Model Would you Trust More?



How to quantify the robustness
of any anomaly detector?

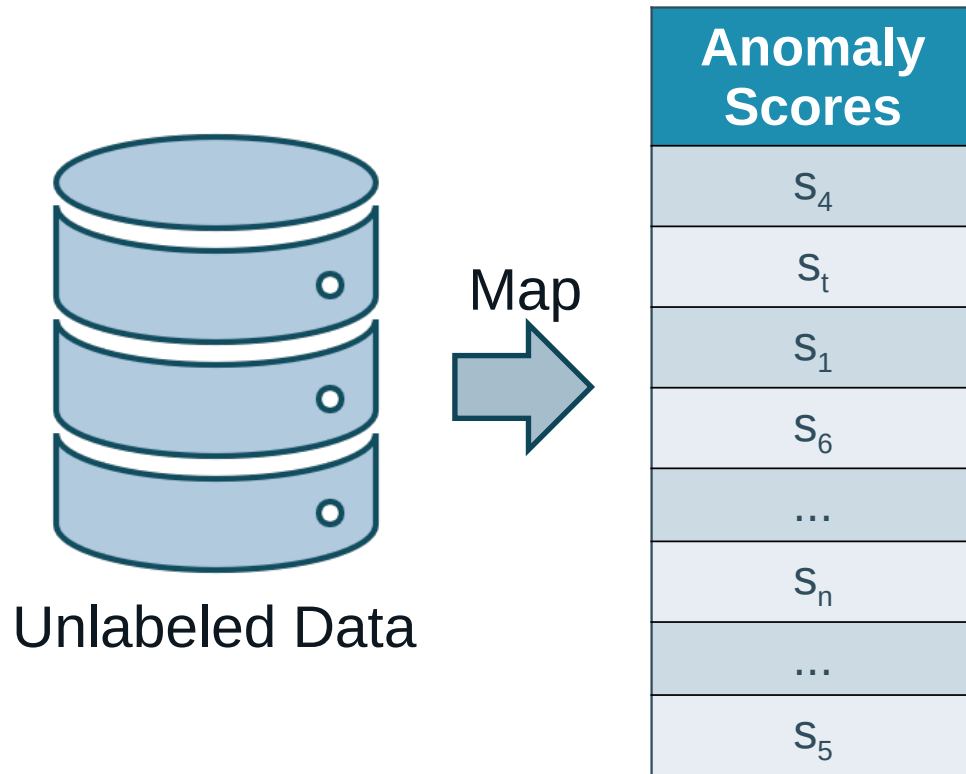
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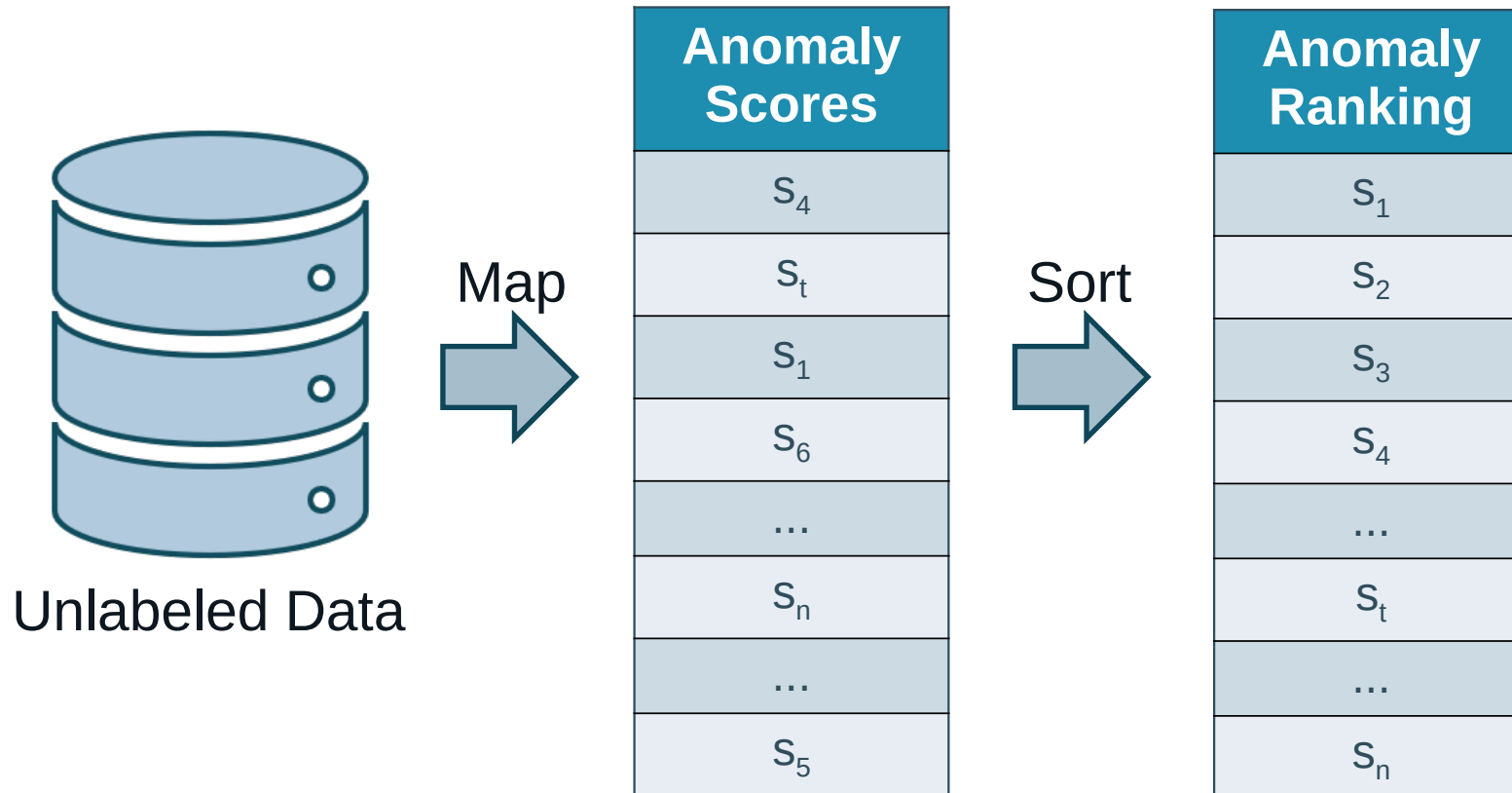


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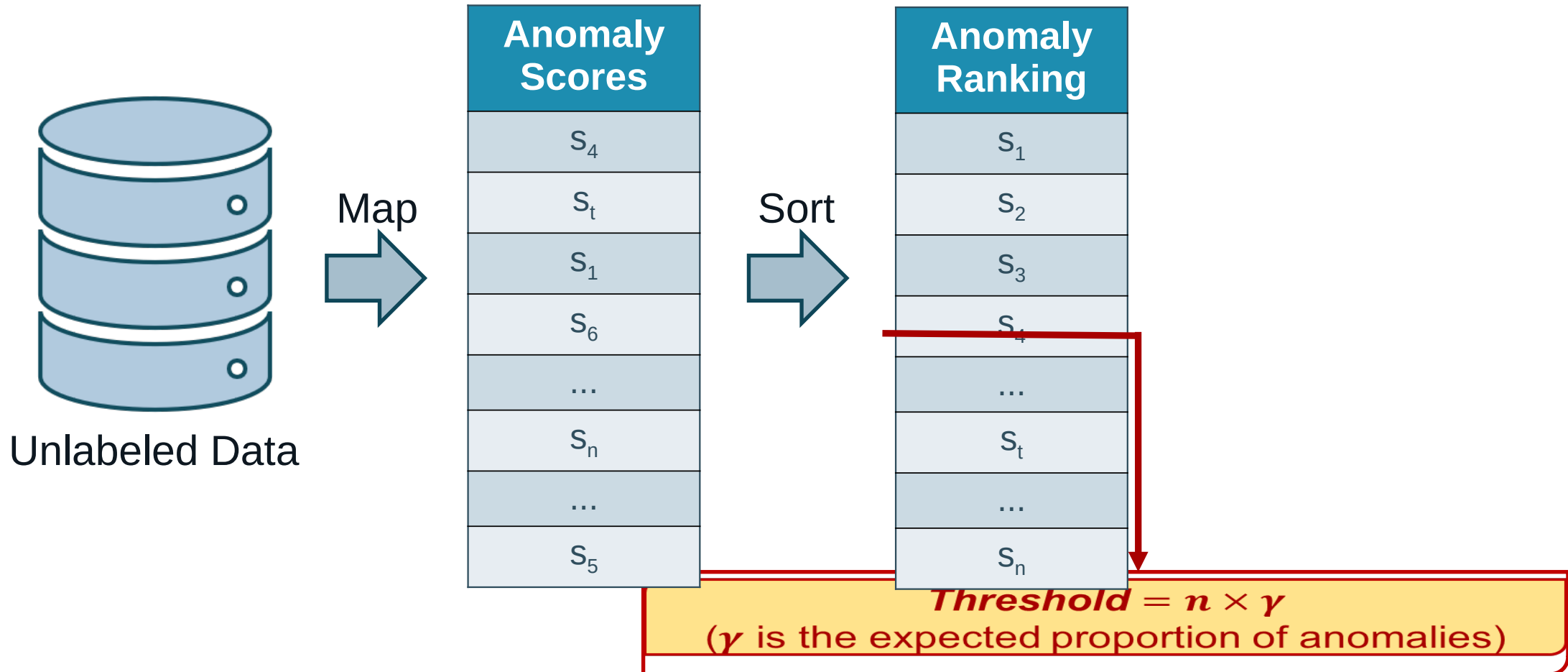
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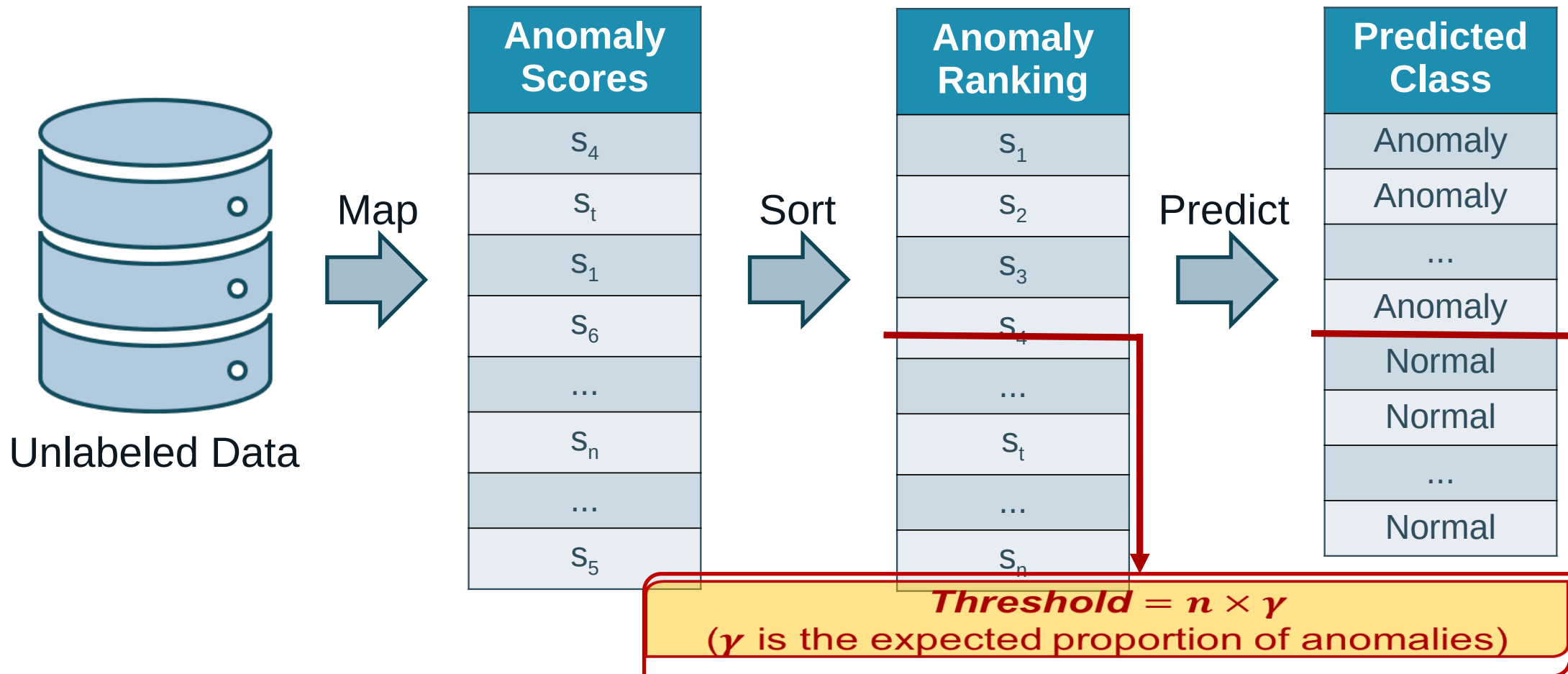
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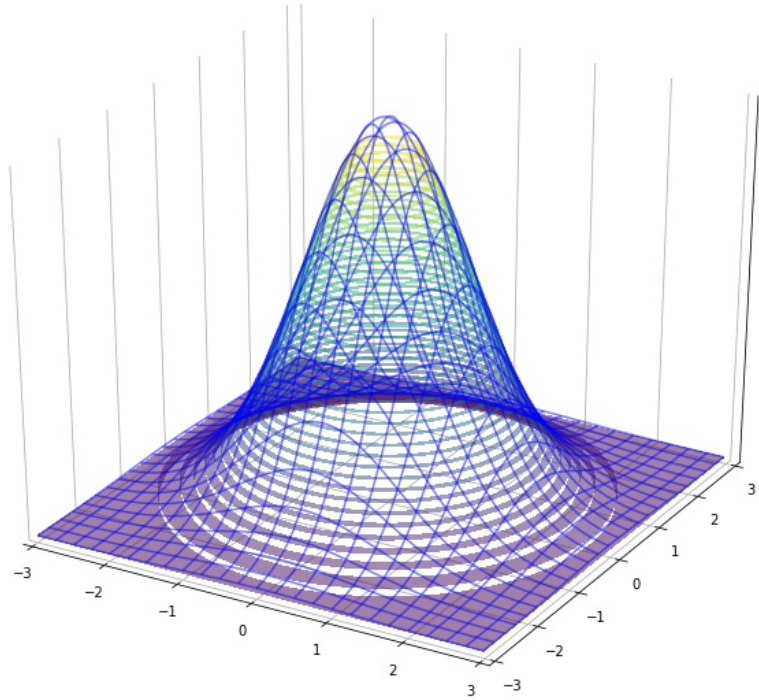
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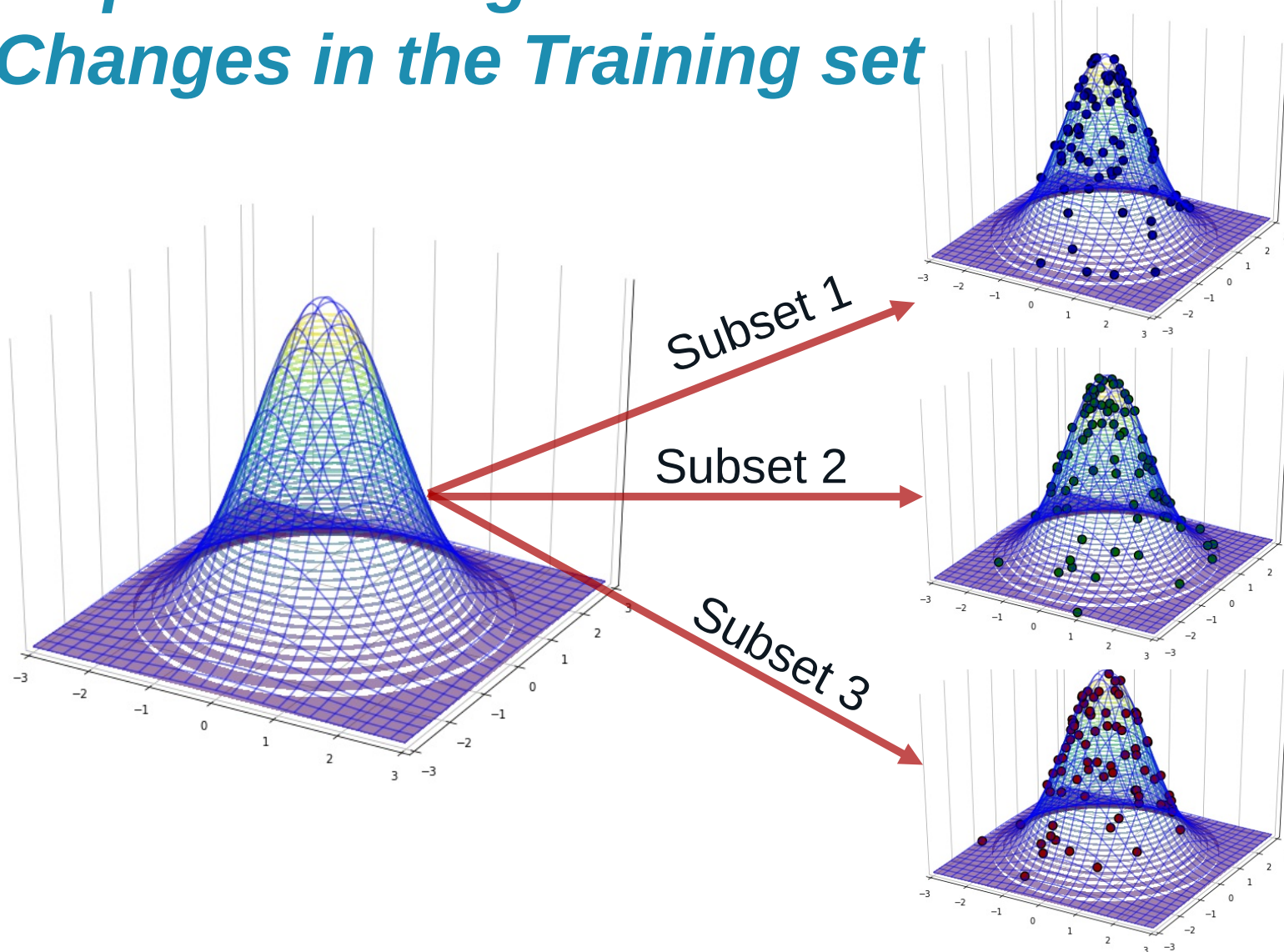
Ranking Stability Measure

A 3-step approach for estimating the robustness

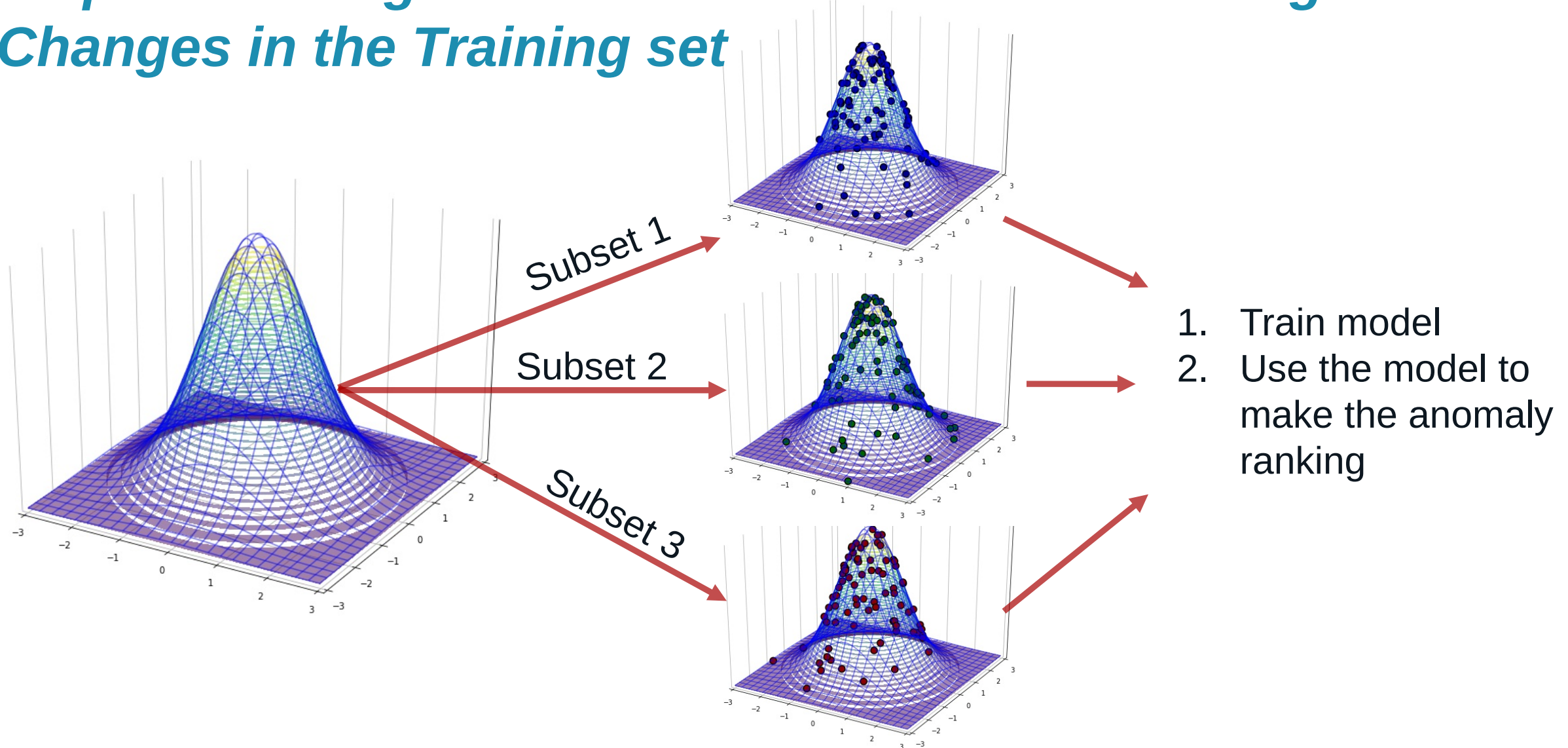
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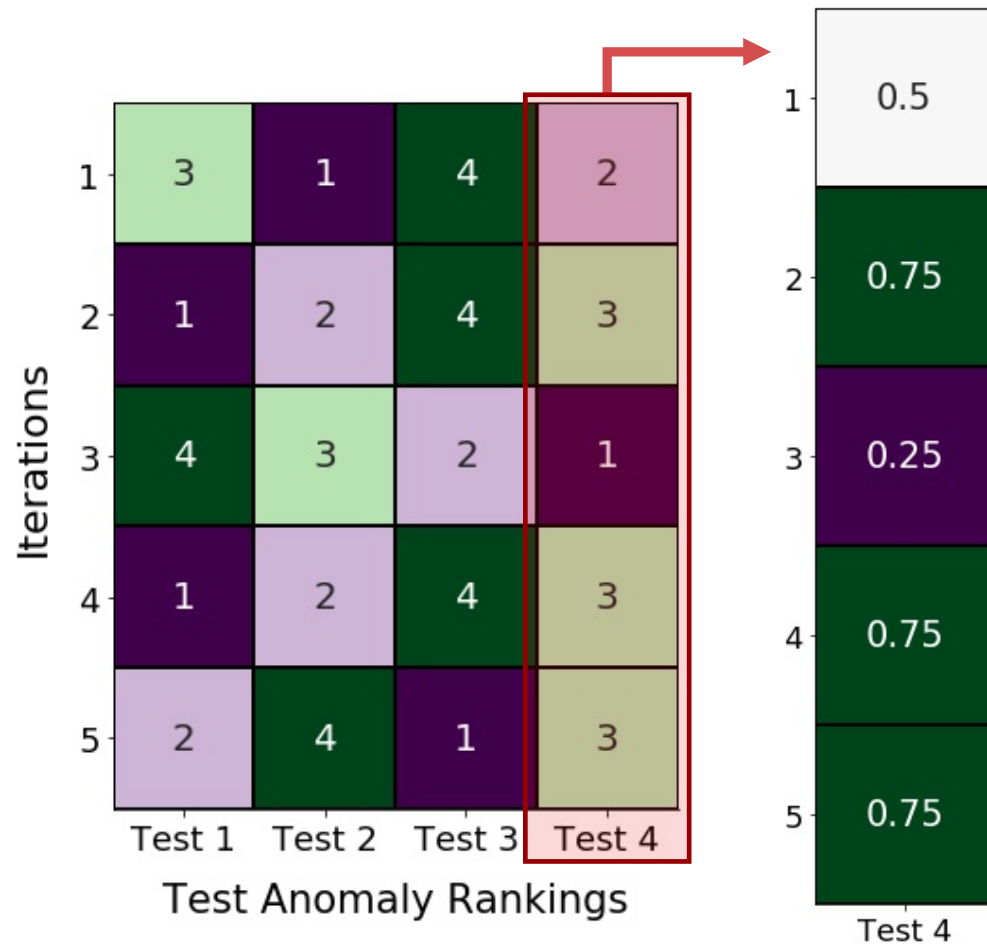
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	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Test 4
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2	1	2	4	3
3	4	3	2	1
4	1	2	4	3
5	2	4	1	3

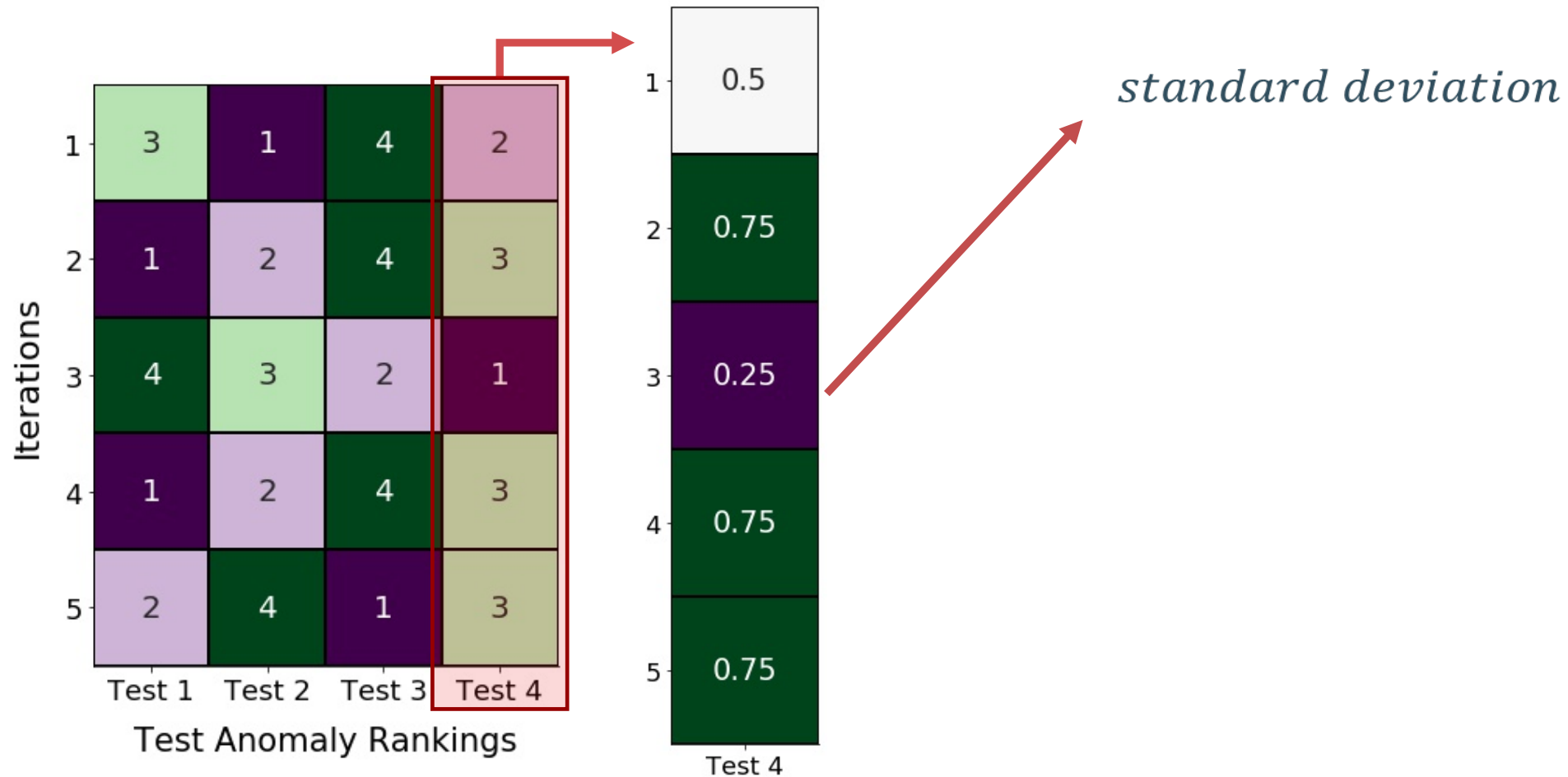
Iterations

Test Anomaly Rankings

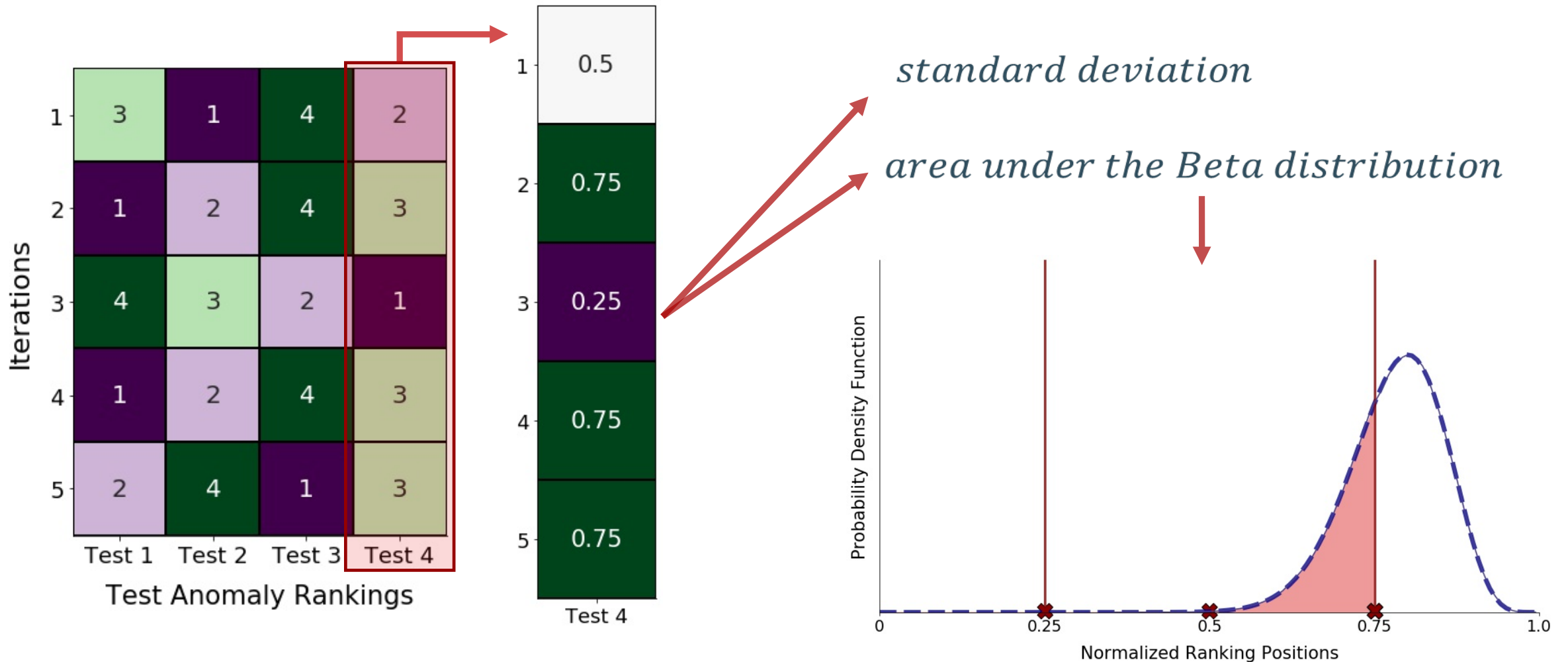
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Step 3: Aggregating the Example Scores to a Model Score

Each example has a stability score:

Example score \approx standard deviation \times area under the Beta

To obtain the model score, we average the example-wise scores:

$$\text{Model stability score} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \text{Example score } i$$

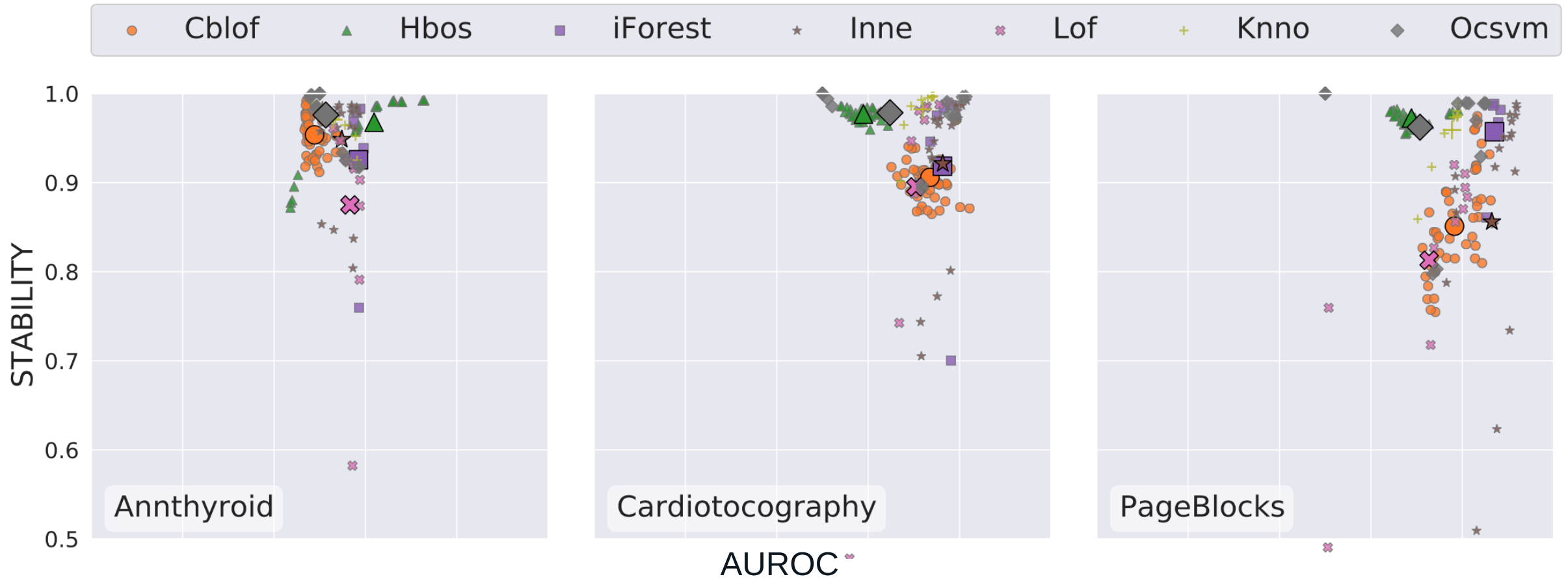
The model score is normalized such that:

- 0 = random rankings;
- 1 = perfect agreement between rankings.

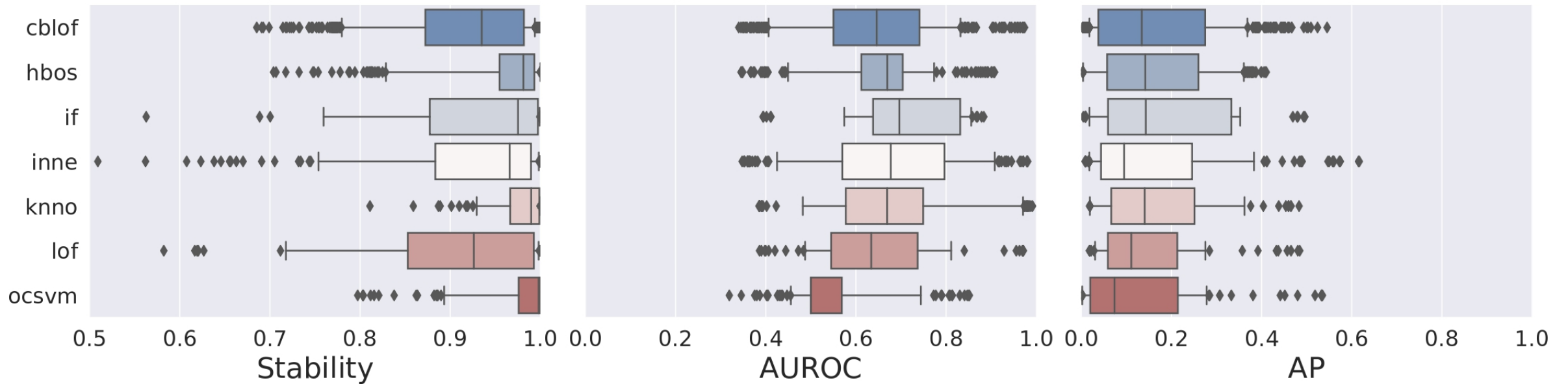
Experiments

Empirical evaluation on benchmark datasets

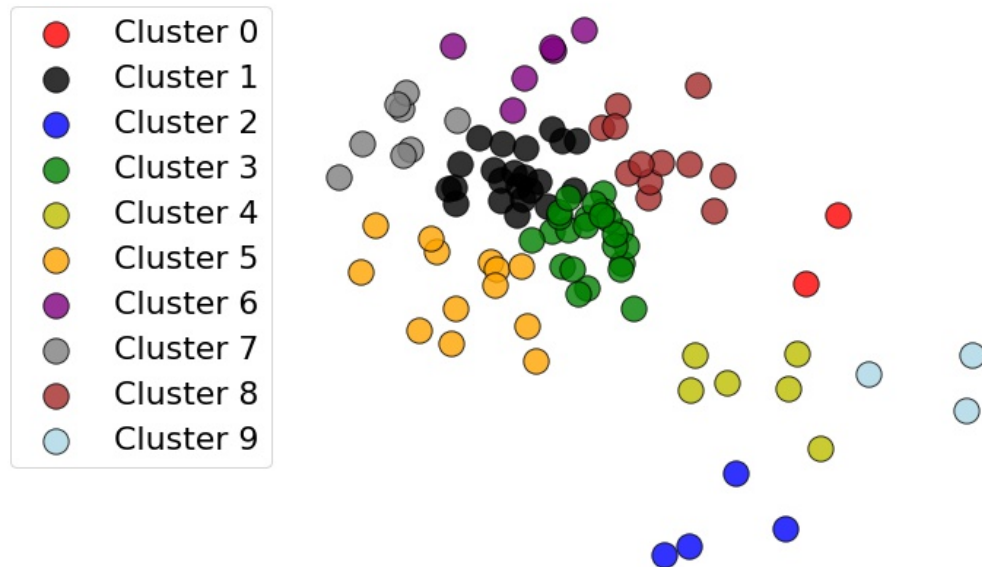
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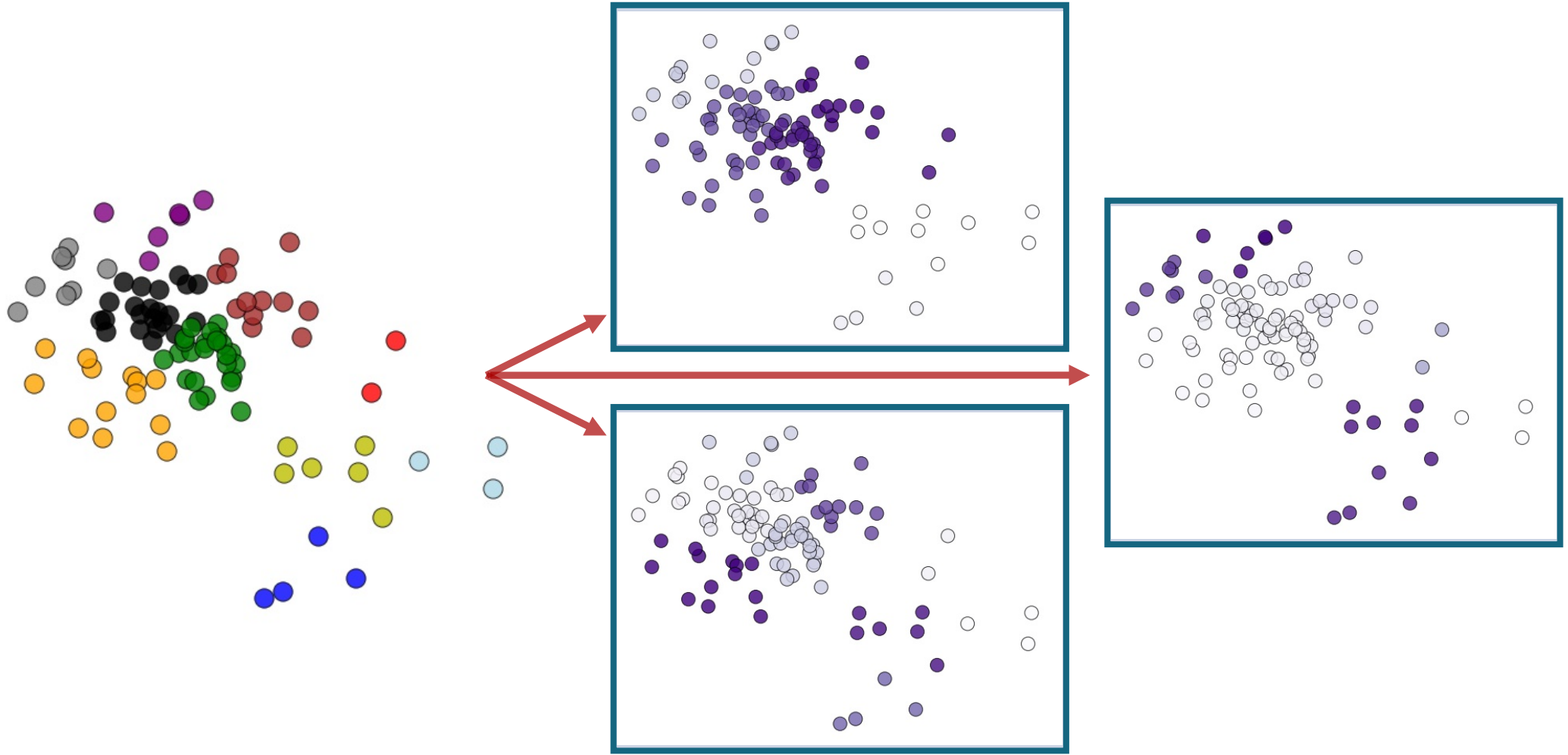


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- Cluster 0
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- Cluster 5
- Cluster 6
- Cluster 7
- Cluster 8
- Cluster 9

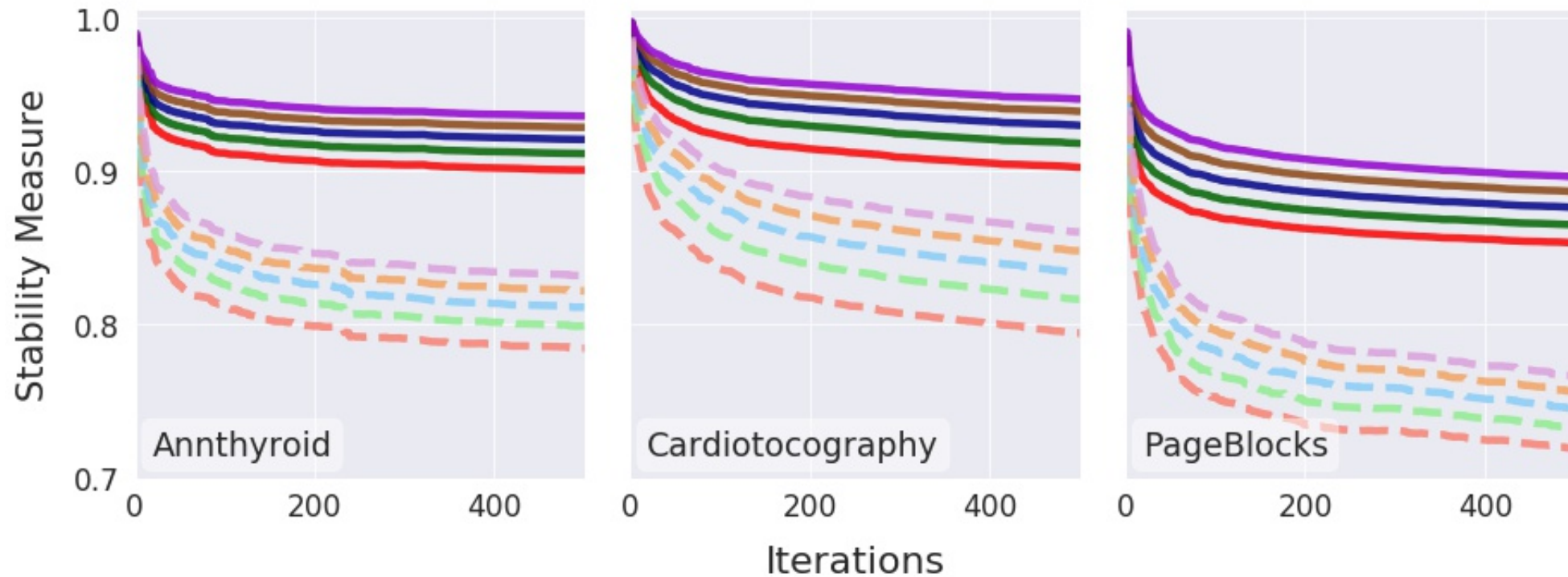


Biased Subsampling Strategies Lead to Less Stable Anomaly Detectors

Hyperparameter

Uniform Sampling \longrightarrow

Biased Sampling \dashrightarrow



Stability Measure Is a Valid Alternative To Traditional Performance Measures to Quantify Models' Behaviour

We proposed a ***novel stability measure*** to quantify the robustness of anomaly detection methods:

1. This measure allows meaningful cross-comparison of different methods;
2. This measure behaves realistically in our experiments.

All code and experiments are available online:

https://github.com/Lorenzo-Perini/StabilityRankings_AD

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