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Description

Necessary and sufficient requirements for uniform convergence for both real-valued loss functions and classification are introduced. VC entropy, VC dimension, empirical covering numbers, and V-gamma dimension are introduced and explained.

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