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Analysis of Algorithms: do as well as possible!

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\implies for M is number of mistakes that:

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Row has extra strategy: Cheat.

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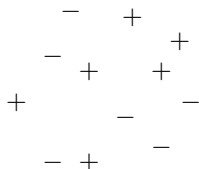
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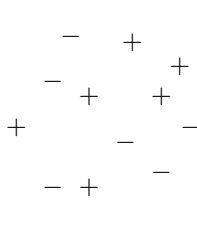
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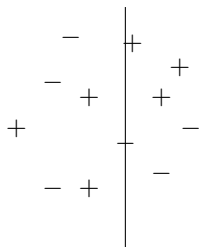
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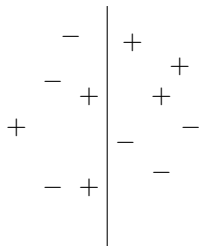
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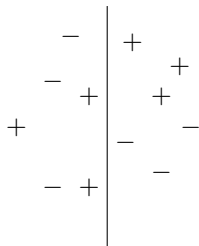
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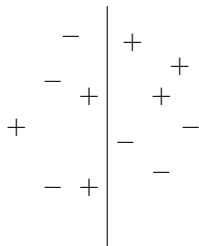
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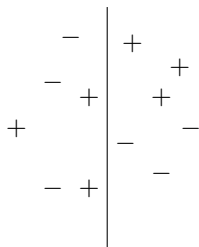
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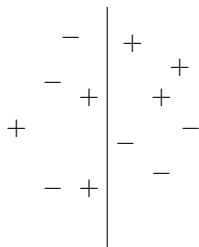
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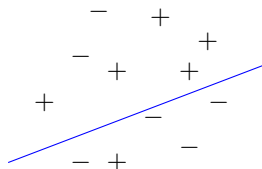
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