# Visualisation of Benchmark Experiments 

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## "Statistical decathlon"



## Layers of abstraction

## Layer One: Setup



## Layer Two: Execution (1)



## Layer Two: Execution (2)



## Layer Two: Execution (3)



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## Layer Three: Analysis

Exploratory: get a better understanding of the benchmark experiment, "dig" for interesting information.
Inferential: test hypotheses of interest, infer a statistically correct order.

## Exploratory Analysis: Visualisation

## Common visualisation tools





## Benchmark experiment plot



## "Full" benchmark experiment plot



## Matter for deeper analyses ...


... are the bootstrap samples different?
... are the models different?

## Formal analysis

## Statistically correct order*:

Modelling of the random block design.


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Benchmark summary plot


## Overall order

## Consensus ranking*:

Aggregation of "preferences of voters" with all order relations equally relevant.

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## Overall order

## Statistical modelling*:

Modelling of the design with two experimental factors, their interactions and blocking factors at two levels.

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## Overall order

Consensus: blue $\approx$ yellow $<$ red $<$ green $<$ purple $<$ orange
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Overall order interpretation


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## End titles

## Goals and outlook

Ultimate goal: develop a comprehensive toolbox for exploratory and inferential analysis of benchmark experiments; set a quasi-standard for the comparison of learning methods.

Visualisation: interactivity, interactivity, interactivity.

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