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I am fortunate to be among the very first [NTU EECS](#) professors to offer two Mandarin-teaching MOOCs (massive open online courses) on [NTU@Coursera](#). The two MOOCs are [Machine Learning Foundations](#) and [Machine Learning Techniques](#) and are based on the textbook [Learning from Data: A Short Course](#) that I co-authored. The book is consistently among the best sellers in Machine Learning on [Amazon](#).

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Machine Learning Foundations ([all handout slides](#))

When can machines learn?		
Lecture 1	the learning problem: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 0. Course Introduction 1. What is Machine Learning 2. Applications of Machine Learning 3. Components of Machine Learning 4. Machine Learning and Other Fields 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC ; watch on youtube
Lecture 2	learning to answer yes/no: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Perceptron Hypothesis Set 2. Perceptron Learning Algorithm (PLA) 3. Guarantee of PLA 4. Non-Separable Data 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC ; preview on youtube
Lecture 3	types of learning: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Learning with Different Output Space 2. Learning with Different Data Label 3. Learning with Different Protocol 4. Learning with Different Input Space 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC ; preview on youtube
Lecture 4	feasibility of learning: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Learning is Impossible? 2. Probability to the Rescue 3. Connection to Learning 4. Connection to Real Learning 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC ; preview on youtube
Why can machines learn?		
	training versus testing:	

Lecture 5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recap and Preview 2. Effective Number of Lines 3. Effective Number of Hypotheses 4. Break Point 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 6	theory of generalization: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Restriction of Break Point 2. Bounding Function: Basic Cases 3. Bounding Function: Inductive Cases 4. A Pictorial Proof 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 7	the VC dimension: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Definition of VC Dimension 2. VC Dimension of Perceptrons 3. Physical Intuition of VC Dimension 4. Interpreting VC Dimension 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 8	noise and error: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Noise and Probabilistic Target 2. Error Measure 3. Algorithmic Error Measure 4. Weighted Classification 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
How can machines learn?		
Lecture 9	linear regression: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Linear Regression Problem 2. Linear Regression Algorithm 3. Generalization Issue 4. Linear Regression for Binary Classification 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 10	logistic regression: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Logistic Regression Problem 2. Logistic Regression Error 3. Gradient of Logistic Regression Error 4. Gradient Descent 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 11	linear models for classification: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Linear Models for Binary Classification 2. Stochastic Gradient Descent 3. Multiclass via Logistic Regression 4. Multiclass via Binary Classification 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 12	nonlinear transformation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quadratic Hypotheses 2. Nonlinear Transform 3. Price of Nonlinear Transform 4. Structured Hypothesis Sets 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC

How can machines learn better?

Lecture 13	hazard of overfitting: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is Overfitting? 2. The Role of Noise and Data Size 3. Deterministic Noise 4. Dealing with Overfitting 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 14	regularization: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regularized Hypothesis Set 2. Weight Decay Regularization 3. Regularization and VC Theory 4. General Regularizers 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 15	validation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Model Selection Problem 2. Validation 3. Leave-One-Out Cross Validation 4. V-Fold Cross Validation 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 16	three learning principles: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Occam's Razor 2. Sampling Bias 3. Data Snooping 4. Power of Three 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC

Machine Learning Techniques ([all handout slides](#))

embedding numerous features

Lecture 1	linear support vector machine: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 0. Course Introduction 1. Large-Margin Separating Hyperplane 2. Standard Large-Margin Problem 3. Support Vector Machine 4. Reasons behind Large-Margin Hyperplane 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 2	dual support vector machine: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motivation of Dual SVM 2. Lagrange Dual SVM 3. Solving Dual SVM 4. Messages behind Dual SVM 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 3	kernel support vector machine: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kernel Trick 2. Polynomial Kernel 3. Gaussian Kernel 4. Comparison of Kernels 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC

Lecture 4	soft-margin support vector machine: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motivation and Primal Problem 2. Dual Problem 3. Messages behind Soft-Margin SVM 4. Model Selection 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 5	kernel logistic regression: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Soft-Margin SVM as Regularized Model 2. SVM versus Logistic Regression 3. SVM for Soft Binary Classification 4. Kernel Logistic Regression 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 6	support vector regression: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kernel Ridge Regression 2. Support Vector Regression Primal 3. Support Vector Regression Dual 4. Summary of Kernel Models 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
combining predictive features		
Lecture 7	blending and bagging: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motivation of Aggregation 2. Uniform Blending 3. Linear and Any Blending 4. Bagging (Bootstrap Aggregation) 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 8	adaptive boosting: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motivation of Boosting 2. Diversity by Re-weighting 3. Adaptive Boosting Algorithm 4. Adaptive Boosting in Action 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 9	decision tree: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Decision Tree Hypothesis 2. Decision Tree Algorithm 3. Decision Tree Heuristics in C&RT 4. Decision Tree in Action 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 10	random forest: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Random Forest Algorithm 2. Out-Of-Bag Estimate 3. Feature Selection 4. Random Forest in Action 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 11	gradient boosted decision tree: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adaptive Boosted Decision Tree 2. Optimization View of AdaBoost 3. Gradient Boosting 4. Summary of Aggregation Models 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC

distilling hidden features

Lecture 12	neural network: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motivation 2. Neural Network Hypothesis 3. Neural Network Learning 4. Optimization and Regularization 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 13	deep learning: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Deep Neural Network 2. Autoencoder 3. Denoising Autoencoder 4. Principal Component Analysis 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 14	radial basis function network: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RBF Network Hypothesis 2. RBF Network Learning 3. k-Means Algorithm 4. k-Means and RBF Network in Action 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
Lecture 15	matrix factorization: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Linear Network Hypothesis 2. Basic Matrix Factorization 3. Stochastic Gradient Descent 4. Summary of Extraction Models 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC
happy learning!		
Lecture 16	finale: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Feature Exploitation Techniques 2. Error Optimization Techniques 3. Overfitting Elimination Techniques 4. Machine Learning in Practice 	handout slides ; presentation slides ; go to MOOC

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