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Statistical Machine Learning

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(Many figures from C. M. Bishop, "Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning")



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- Formalise intuitions about problems

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- Design and analysis of algorithms

- Numerical algorithms in python

- Understand the choices when designing machine learning methods

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Definitio

A computer program that
respects the user's input
if its performance is
with experience E .

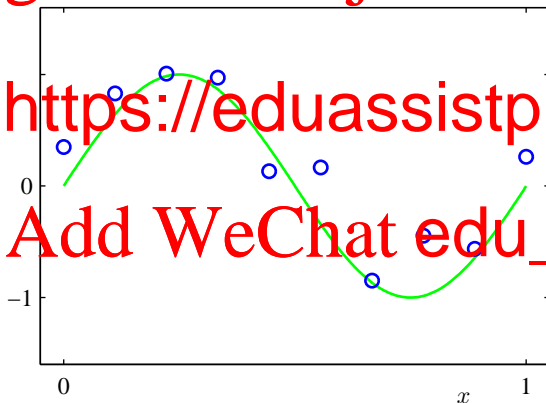
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- some artificial data created from the function

$$\sin(2\pi x) + \text{random noise}, \quad x = 0, \dots, 1$$



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$\equiv (1, \dots, N)$

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N

\mathbf{x}

\mathbf{t}

$x_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad i = 1, \dots, N$

$t_i \in \mathbb{R} \quad i = 1, \dots, N$

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M order of polynomial

$$y(x, \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{j=0}^M w_j x^j$$

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- nonlinear function of x
- **linear** function of the unknown model parameter
- How can we find good parameters \mathbf{w} =

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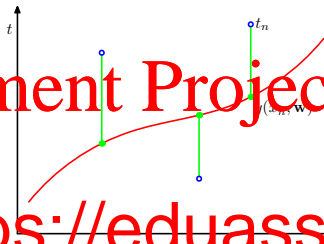
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- Performance measure : Error between target prediction of the model for the training data

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n)^2$$

- unique minimum of $E(\mathbf{w})$ for argument \mathbf{w}^* under certain conditions (what are they?)



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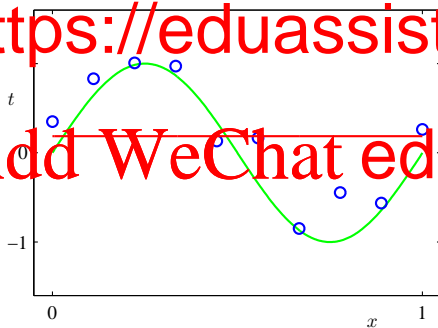
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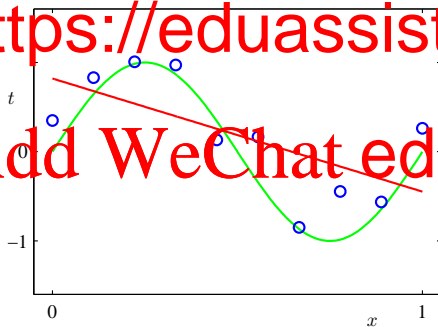
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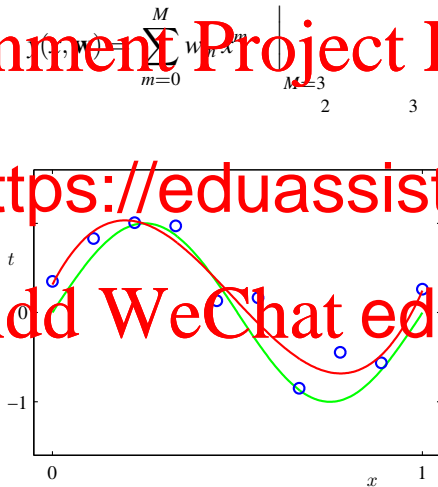
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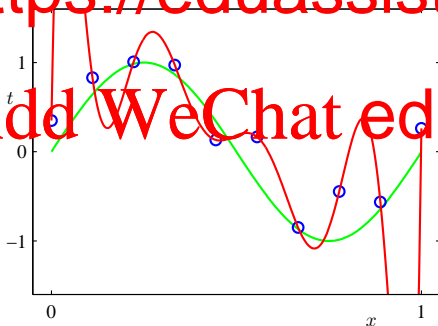
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$$y(x, \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{m=0}^M w_m x^m$$
$$= w_0 + w_1 x + \dots + w_8 x^8 + w_9 x^9$$

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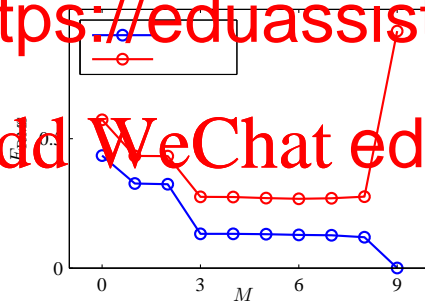


- Train the model and get \mathbf{w}^*
- Get 100 new data points
- Root mean square (RMS) error

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	M = 0	M = 1	M = 3	M = 9
w_0^*	0.19	0.82	0.31	0.35
w_1^*		-1.27	7.99	232.37
w_6^*				-1
w_7^*				1
w_8^*				-
w_9^*				

Table: Coefficients w^* for polynomials of various order.



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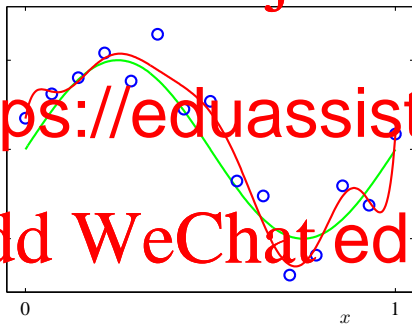
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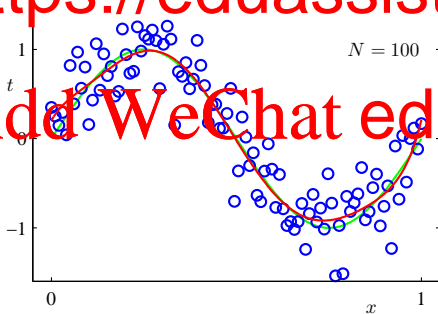




- $N = 100$
- heuristics : have no less than 5 to 10 times as many data points than parameters
- but number of parameters is not necessarily the most appropriate measure of model complexity !
- late

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- How to constrain the growing of the coefficients w ?
- Add a **regularisation** term to the error function

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- Squared norm of the parameter vector

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- unique minimum of $E(\mathbf{w})$ for argument conditions (what are they for $\lambda = 0$? for $\lambda > 0$?)



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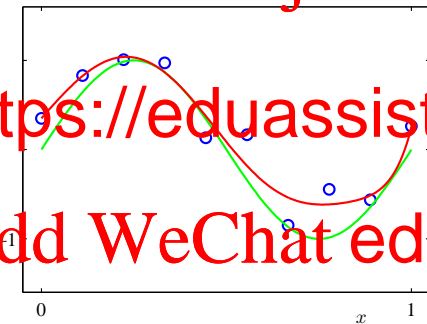
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• $M = 9$
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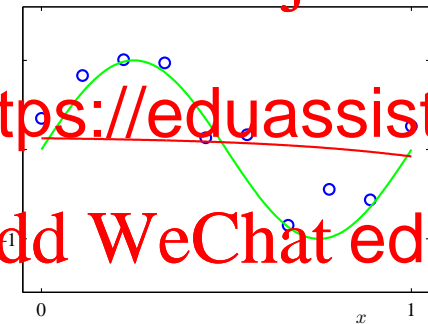
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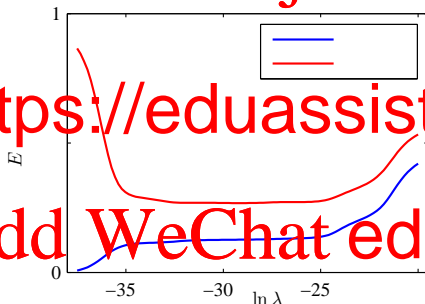
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What is Machine Learning?



Definition (Mitchell, 1998)

A computer program is said to learn from experience E with respect to some class of tasks T and performance measure P , if its performance on tasks in T improves with experience E .

- Task
- Experience: x input examples, t output y
- Performance: squared error
- Model choice
- Regularisation
- **do not train on the test set!**

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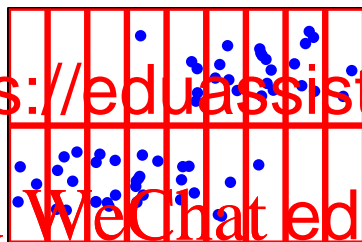
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$p(X, Y)$

X

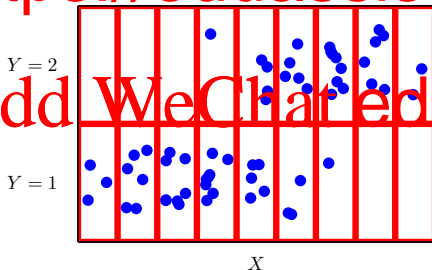


Y vs. X	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	sum
2	0	0	0	1	4	5	8	6	2	26
1	3	6	8	8	5	3	4	0	0	34
sum	3	6	8	9	9	8	9	6	2	60

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Sum Rule



Y vs. X	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	sum
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$p(\text{https://eduassistpro.github.io})$

$$= 1/60 + 8/60$$

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$$p(X = d) = \sum_Y p(X = d, Y)$$

$$p(X) = \sum_Y p(X, Y)$$

Sum Rule



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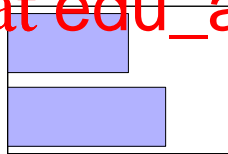
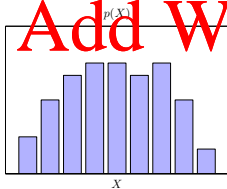
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p_Y <https://eduassistpro.github.io> X



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Product Rule



Y vs. X	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	sum
2	0	0	0	1	4	5	8	6	2	26
1	3	6	8	8	5	3	1	0	0	34
sum	3	6	8	9	9	8	9	6	2	60

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Conditional Probability

Calculate

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$$p(Y = 1) = \sum_x p(X, Y = 1) =$$

$$p(X = d, Y = 1) = p(X = d | Y =$$

$$p(X, Y) = p(X | Y) p(Y)$$

Another intuitive view is **renormalisation** of relative frequencies:

$$p(X | Y) = \frac{p(X, Y)}{p(Y)}$$

Sum and Product Rules



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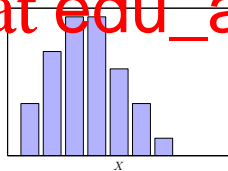
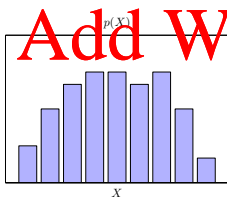
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- Sum Rule

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These rules form the basis of Bayesian machine learning in this course!

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Use product rule

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Bayes Theorem

$$p(Y |$$

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and

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$$\begin{aligned} p(X) &= \sum_Y p(X, Y) \\ &= \sum_Y p(X | Y) p(Y) \quad \text{(product rule)} \end{aligned}$$



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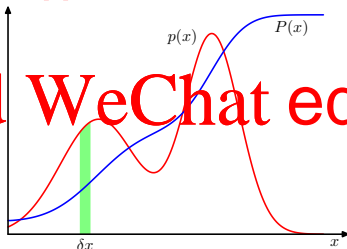
- Real valued variable $x \in \mathbb{R}$

- Probability of x to fall in the interval $(x, x + \delta x)$ is given by $p(x)\delta x$ for infinitesimal small δx .

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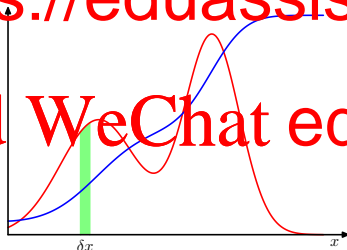
- Nonnegative

- Normalisation

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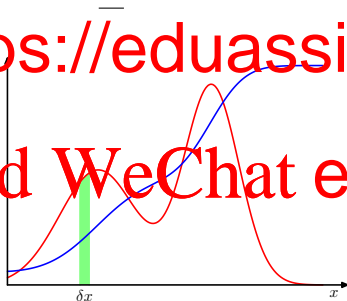


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- Vector $\mathbf{x} \in (x_1, \dots, x_D)^T = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_D \end{bmatrix}$

- No

- Nor

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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = 1.$$

- This means

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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(\mathbf{x}) dx_1 \dots dx_D = 1.$$



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- Pro

$$p(x, y) = p(y | x) p(x)$$

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- Weighted average of a function $f(x)$ under the probability dist

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$$\mathbb{E}[f] = \int p(x) f(x) dx \quad \text{proba}$$

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- Given a finite number N of points x_n drawn from the probability distribution $p(x)$.

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$$\simeq \overline{N}_{n=1}^n$$

- How to draw points from a probability distribution
Lecture coming about "Sampling"

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- arbitrary function $f(x, y)$

\mathbb{E}_x

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$$\mathbb{E}_x [f(x, y)] = \int p(x) f(x, y) dx \quad \text{probability density } p(x)$$

- Note that $\mathbb{E}_x [f(x, y)]$ is a function of y .

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Conditional Expectation



- arbitrary function $f(x)$

$$\mathbb{E}_x [f | y] = \sum_x p(x | y) f(x) \quad \text{discrete distribution } p(x)$$

$$\mathbb{E}_x [f | y] = \int p(x | y) f(x) dx \quad \text{probability density } p(x)$$

- Not
- Other
- When $[[() |]]$
- This must mean $\mathbb{E}_y [\mathbb{E}_x [f(x) | y]]$. (Why?)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_y [\mathbb{E}_x [f(x) | y]] &= \sum_y p(y) \mathbb{E}_x [f | y] = \sum_y \sum_x f(x) p(x, y) \\ &= \sum_{x,y} f(x) p(x, y) = \sum_x f(x) p(x) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_x [f(x)] \end{aligned}$$

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- arbitrary function $f(x)$

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$$\text{var}[x] = \mathbb{E}[(x - \mathbb{E}[x])^2] = \mathbb{E} [$$



- Two random variables $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $y \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{cov}[x, y] &= \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[(x - \mathbb{E}[x])(y - \mathbb{E}[y])] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[xy] - \mathbb{E}[x] \mathbb{E}[y]\end{aligned}$$

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$$= \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[xy] - \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[x] \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[y] + \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[x] \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[y]$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[xy] - b \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{x, y}[x]}_{=\mathbb{E}[x]} - a \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{x, y}[y]}_{=\mathbb{E}[y]} \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[xy] - ab - ab + ab\end{aligned}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{x, y}[xy] - \mathbb{E}[x] \mathbb{E}[y]$$

- Expresses how strongly x and y vary together. If x and y are independent, their covariance vanishes.



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$$= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} [\mathbf{x} \mathbf{y}^T] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}] \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}]$$

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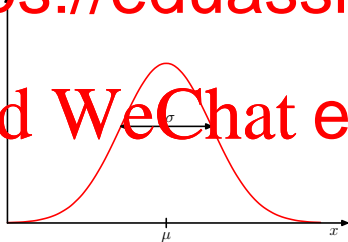
- $x \in \mathbb{R}$

- Gaussian Distribution with mean μ and variance σ^2

$$\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

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- $\mathcal{N}(x | \mu, \sigma^2) > 0$
- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{N}(x | \mu, \sigma^2) dx = 1$
- Expectation over x

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- Variance of x

$$\text{var}[x] = \mathbb{E}[x^2] - \mathbb{E}[x]^2 = \sigma^2$$



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- Estimate best predictor = training = learning

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Calculate the optimal parameter (w)

Model uncertainty using the Bayesian approach

Implement and compute (the algorithm in python)

Interpret and diagnose results

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