

# Machine Learning: Multiple Kernel Learning

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# What exactly is Machine Learning?

A lot of things.. and the field is constantly expanding.

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*"[Machine Learning is the] field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed"*

First step towards AI...

Arthur Lee Samuel (1901-1990): computer gaming, artificial intelligence, machine learning, TeX, ...

# What exactly is Machine Learning?

*"A computer program is said to learn from experience  $E$  with respect to some task  $T$  and some performance measure  $P$ , if its performance on  $T$ , as measured by  $P$ , improves with experience  $E$ ."*

Tom Mitchell, Carnegie Mellon University

# What exactly is Machine Learning?

- **Supervised machine learning:** The program is trained on a pre-defined set of training examples, which then facilitate its ability to reach an accurate conclusion when given new data.
- **Unsupervised machine learning:** The program is given a bunch of data and must find patterns and relationships therein.

# What exactly is Machine Learning?

In supervised ML, two major subcategories are:

- **regression**: fitting
- **classification**: systems where we seek a yes-or-no prediction

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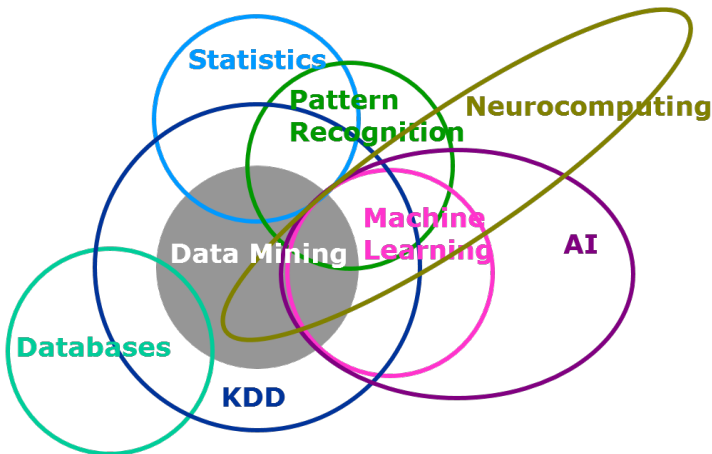


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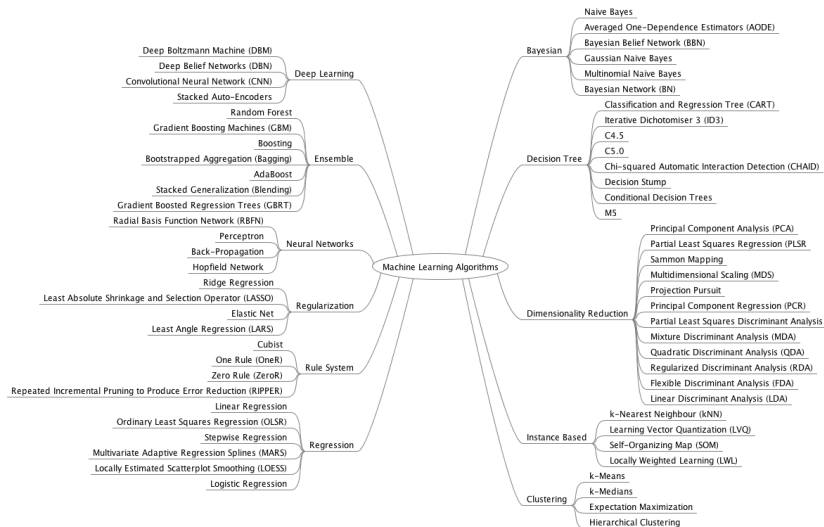


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# MKL: meaning

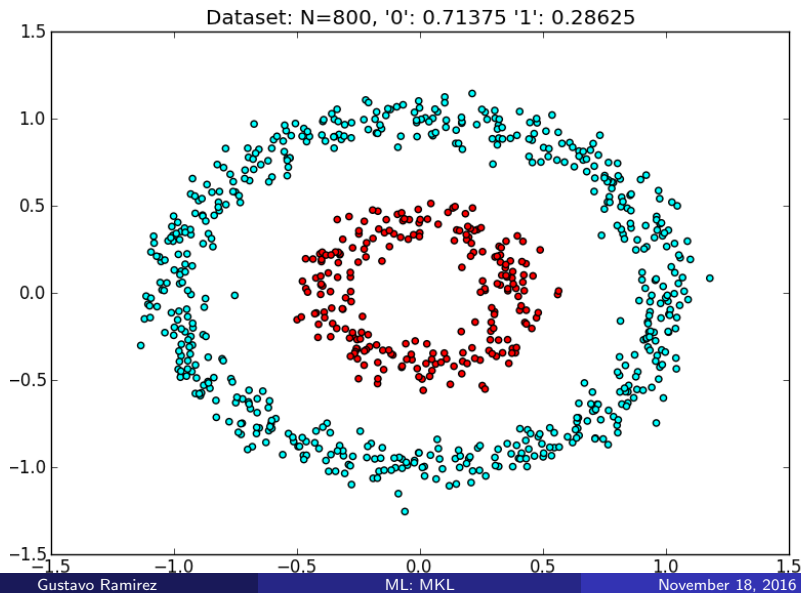
MKL:

"set of machine learning methods that use a predefined set of kernels and learn an optimal linear or non-linear combination of kernels as part of the algorithm"

SVM:

"given labeled training data (supervised learning), the algorithm outputs an optimal hyperplane which categorizes new examples"

# MKL: use in SVM



The Kernel trick:

- many ML algorithms (e.g. SVM) use the data only through inner products.
- e.g. the following matrix (**kernel matrix**) can be used in classification and regression:

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{x}_1 \\ \vec{x}_2 \\ \dots \\ \vec{x}_n \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow K = XX^T \quad (1)$$

The Kernel trick:

- the idea is to apply a transformation  $\phi(\vec{x})$ , which preserves the form of  $K$ :

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \phi(\vec{x}_1)^T \phi(\vec{x}_1) & \phi(\vec{x}_1)^T \phi(\vec{x}_2) & \dots \\ \phi(\vec{x}_2)^T \phi(\vec{x}_1) & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

## The Kernel trick:

- simple example (on a  $\phi$  preserving the form of  $K$ ):
  - transformation  $\phi: (x_1, x_2) \rightarrow (z_1, z_2, z_3) = (x_1^2, \sqrt{2}x_1x_2, x_2^2)$
  - let's take:  $\vec{r} = \phi(\vec{a})$  and  $\vec{s} = \phi(\vec{b})$
  - $\Rightarrow (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{s})_{3D} = r_1s_1 + r_2s_2 + r_3s_3 = (a_1^2)(b_1^2) + (\sqrt{2}a_1a_2)(\sqrt{2}b_1b_2) + (a_2^2)(b_2^2)$
  - $\Rightarrow (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{s})_{3D} = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2$
- then, the Kernel trick consists of only knowing how to compute the inner product in the new space (through a function of the inner product in the original space), but not the actual transformation

# MKL: the Kernel trick

Data in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  (separable w/ hyperplane)

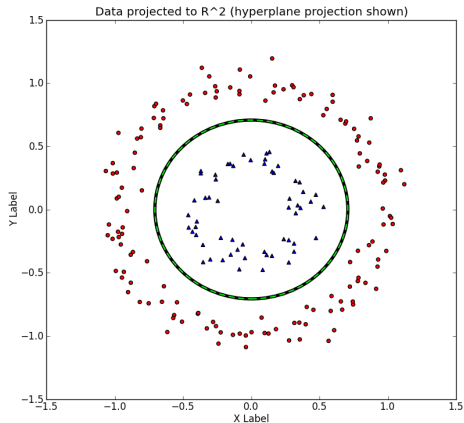
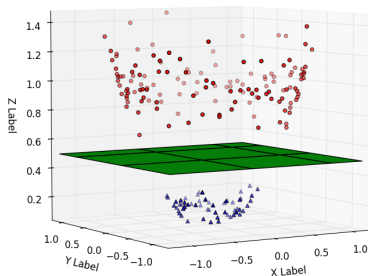


Image taken from: "The Kernel Trick".



# MKL: the Kernel trick

MKL:

- extension of the Kernel trick, using many  $\phi$ 's now, and optimize with the original algorithm (SVM or other) but taking those kernels into account

## Prediction in cancer:



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### A community effort to assess and improve drug sensitivity prediction algorithms

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# Applications of ML

Recommender systems (Netflix, Amazon, etc.), data mining, image recognition, etc.

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