Big Data Engineering

Introduction to Machine Learning

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Definition of Machine Learning

· Algorithms that can learn from data

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Ok that was a circular definition ©

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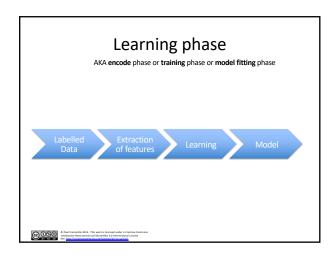
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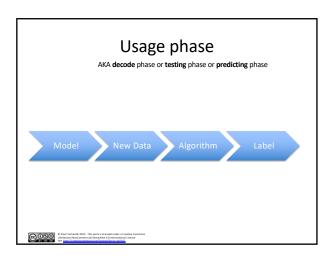
 Algorithms that can analyse a set of data to find patterns and then make predictions when new data comes in

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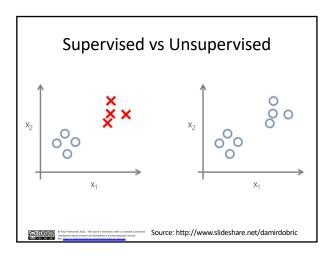
Uses of Machine Learning

- Fraud Detection
 - Spam emails, fake reviews, credit card fraud
- Personalization
 - Recommendations
- Targeted Marketing
 - Predictive preferences, cross-selling
- Content Classification
- Document classification, sentiment analysis
- Customer Support
- Social media analysis
- · Many others





Sample Some incoming data to be analysed E.g. a JPG picture Feature Some quantifiable data from the sample E.g. colour, height, width, pixel data, etc Label Some useful information about the sample that we wish to categorise: E.g. looking at a picture this is a person Model The output of some learning algorithm The parameterization of an algorithm that can be run against new data



Types of learning

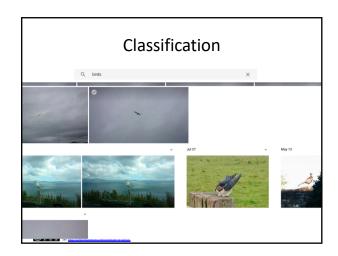
- Supervised
 - The required labels are known
 - Aiming to find an algorithm that correctly identifies these
 - Iterative exploration and refinement
 - Useful for prediction
- Unsupervised
 - The labels are not known
 - The system identifies new classifications
 - Exploring the past, better understanding it
- Reinforcement
 - Learning as you go
 - E.g. learning to play chess while playing chess

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Types of machine learning

- Classification
- Regression / Prediction
- Clustering
- Recommendation and Collaborative Filtering
- Frequent Pattern mining

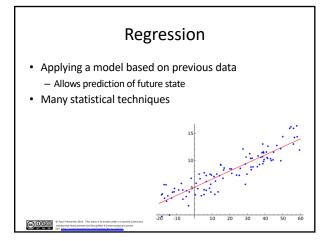
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Classification

- Identifying a class into which this sample fits
 - E.g. look at a picture and decide if it contains a bird
 - A key part of artificial intelligence
 - Also deeply useful for making sense of big data

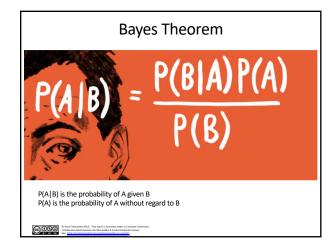
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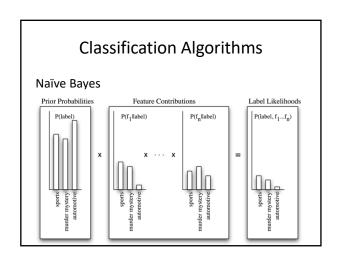


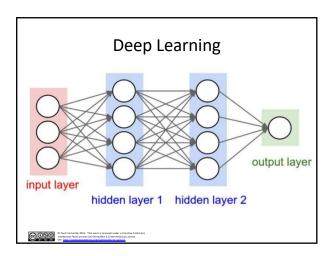
Regression vs Classification

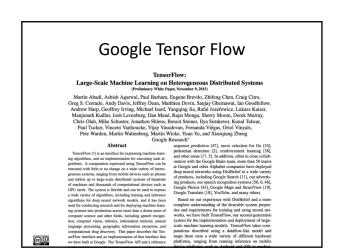
- Regression produces a real number or numbers
 - i.e. a continuously varying answer or answers
- Classification identifies a set or element of a set
 - E.g. False, Blue, Person, High-Value Customer

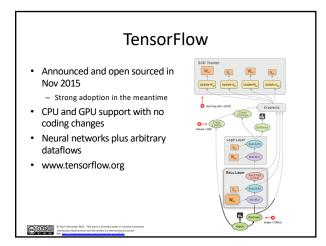
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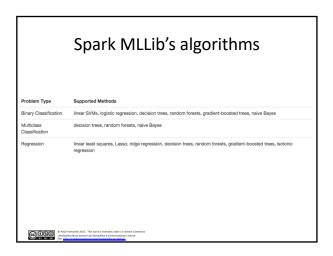




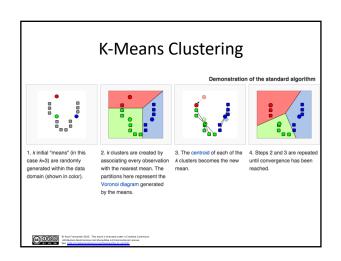








Clustering Grouping items into clusters Where items in a cluster are more similar to each other than to items in other clusters Basically creating the classifications from the data rather than applying them a priori



MLLib's clustering

- K-means
- · Gaussian mixture
- Power iteration clustering (PIC)
- · Latent Dirichlet allocation (LDA)
- · Streaming k-means

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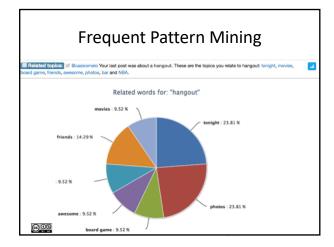
Recommendation and Collaborative Filtering • Given a user's interaction with items, what else are they likely to prefer

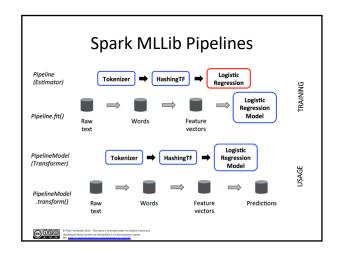
Large-scale Parallel Collaborative Filtering for the Netflix Prize

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Abstract. Many recommendation systems suggest items to users by utilizing the techniques of collaborative filtering (CF) based on historical records of items that the users have viewed, purchased, or rated. Two major problems that most CF approaches have to resolve are scalability and sparseness of the user profiles. In this paper, we describe Alternating-Leat-Square suith Weightet-A-Requistration (ALS-WR), a parallel algorithm that we designed for the Netflix Prize, a large-scale collaborative filtering challenge. We use parallel Matlab on a Linux cluster





Big Data ML

- Obviously we can learn more insights with more data
- · Many examples
 - Netflix competition (2009), Kaggle competitions
 - Google, Facebook, Twitter etc are all doing big data
- Obviously we want the right algorithms:
 - E.g. Kmeans++ is a parallelizable version of Kmeans
- MLLib and Mahout come pre-built with these

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Recap

- Machine Learning is a powerful way of gaining insight and value from big data
 - $\, {\sf Recommendation}$
 - Classification and prediction
 - Clustering and understanding
- Many coding and deployment options
- Built into Spark, Hadoop and AWS

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