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Course Information

- ▶ Web: http://dengcai.zjulearning.org:8081/Courses/DM/
- Homework: http://assignment.zjulearning.org:8081/
 - 缺省用户名和密码: 学号, 登陆之后修改密码
- ▶ Time:
 - Monday, 14:05 15:35
 - Thursday, 14:05 15:35
- ▶ Place:Room 504, 7th teaching building, Yuquan Campus

- QQ group: 397340601(DM_ZJU) (Apply with name and student ID)
- ▶ TA: 张永辉、胡津铭



Course information (Cont'd)

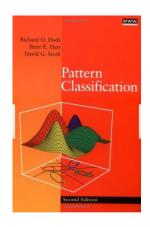
- Prerequisite:
 - Linear algebra, analysis, probability theory
 - Basic programming skills
- ▶ Course textbook: No textbook is required. (Papers and other materials are available at the class web page)

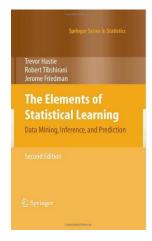
- Objective:
 - Basic understandings of some of the important machine learning methods.
 - Basic ability to use some machine learning techniques to solve real world problems.

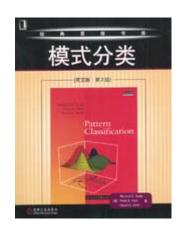


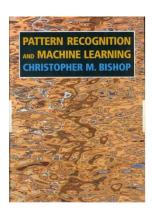
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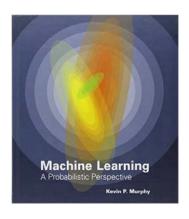
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Reference Books

You can download all the books from the QQ group



Evaluation

- Quizzes (15%)
- ► Four assignments (10% each)
 - Everyone do it by himself
- ► Final exam (45%)

- Programming language:
 - Matlab
 - Tutorials
 - http://www.math.ufl.edu/help/matlab-tutorial/
 - http://www.math.mtu.edu/~msgocken/intro/node1.html
 - Python



Course Policies

- Class
 - No laptop, no cellphone.
- Cheating
 - No.
- ▶ Homework:
 - You have to write you own solution/program.
- ▶ Late Policy:
 - 0~24 hours: 90%
 - 24~48 hours: 50%
 - 48 hours ~: 25%
- Questions?



Why Take This Course?

- It is NOT
 - Easy course with high scores
 - Recommendation letter for US school application
 - Rank 1st

- You should
 - Work hard
 - Be honest



What is machine learning?

- Machine learning is the study of computer systems that improve their performance through experience.
 - Learn existing and known structures and rules.
 - Discover new findings and structures.
 - Face recognition
 - News summarization
- ▶ In machine learning, we study two types of problems





The first kind of problems







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The first kind of problems









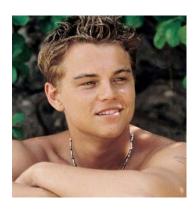




同一个人

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The first kind of problems



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28岁





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14岁



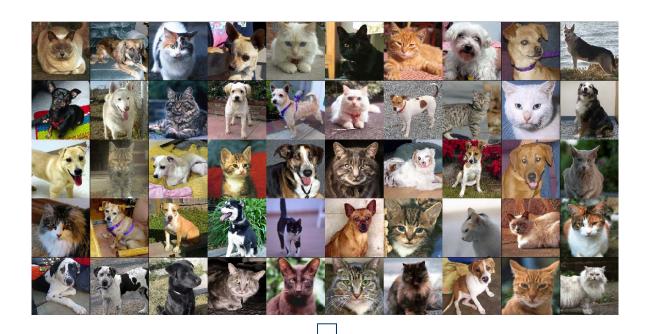
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The second kind of problems



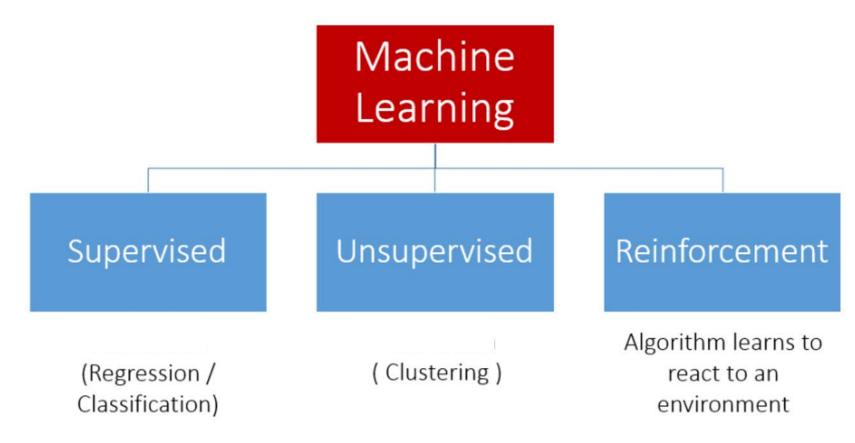






- What are the differences?
- Supervised learning vs. Unsupervised learning

Types of Machine Learning





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- Supervised learning
 - Goal: learn a mapping from inputs x to outputs y
 - Training data: a labeled set of input-output pairs
 - Classification (Categorization, Decision making...)
 - *y* is a categorical variable
 - Regression
 - *y* is real-valued



- What are the differences?
- Supervised learning vs. Unsupervised learning

- Unsupervised learning
 - We are only given inputs
 - Goal: find "interesting patterns"
 - Much less well-defined problem
 - Discovering clusters, Clustering
 - Discovering latent factors
 - Dimensionality reduction, Matrix factorization, Topic modeling



- What are the differences?
- Supervised learning vs. Unsupervised learning

- Reinforcement learning
 - It is a supervised learning scenario
 - No desired category signal is given
 - The only teaching feedback is that the tentative category is right or wrong.
 - This is useful for learning how to act or behave when given occasional reward or punishment signals.



Focus of This Course

- What are the typical machine learning problems?
 - Supervised Learning
 - Classification (decision making)
 - Regression
 - Unsupervised Learning
 - Cluster analysis
 - Latent factor analysis

What are the basic machine learning tools (methods, algorithms)?

Matlab/Python programming



Basic Concepts of Supervised Learning

Sample, example, pattern







Features, predictors, independent variables

$$\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{x}_2, \cdots \boldsymbol{x}_n$$

State of the nature, labels, pattern class, class, responses, dependent variables

•
$$\omega_1, \omega_2, \cdots \omega_c$$
 or $y_1, y_2, \cdots y_c$ or $z_1, z_2, \cdots z_c$

Training data

•
$$(\boldsymbol{x}_1, \omega_1), (\boldsymbol{x}_2, \omega_2), \cdots (\boldsymbol{x}_n, \omega_n)$$

Model, statistical model, pattern class model, classifier

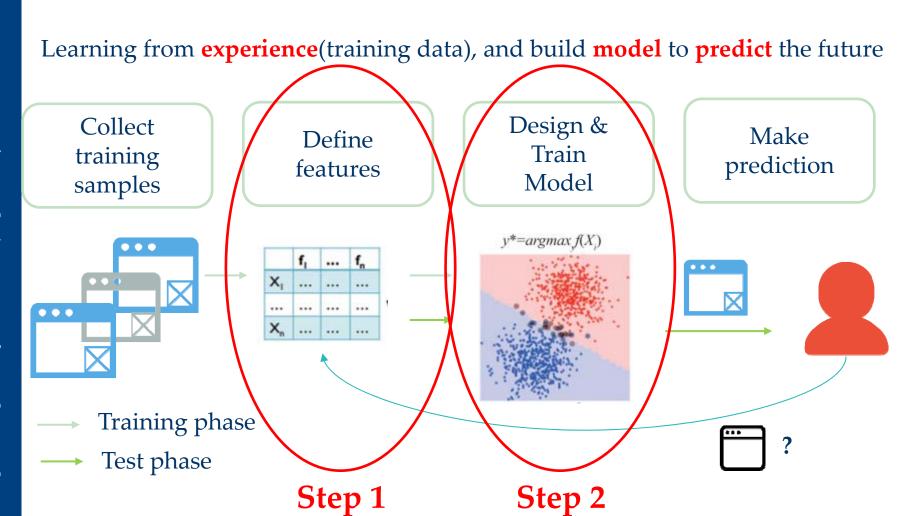
Test data

Training error & test error





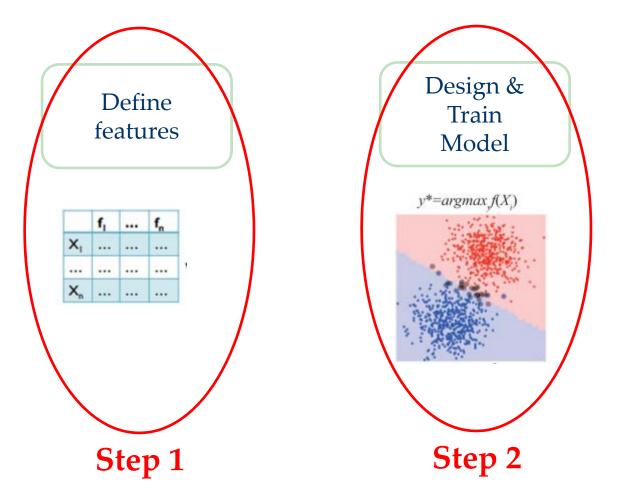
Supervised Learning



Representation Learning



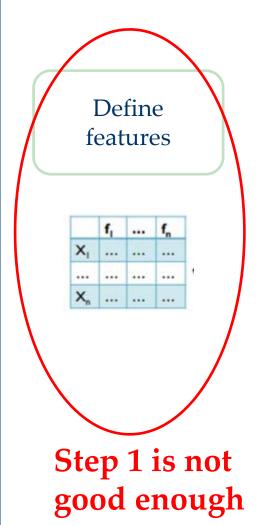
Supervised Learning



- Which step is more important in building a successful system?
- ▶ Which one is the focus of this course?



Why general classification hard?



Intra-class variability



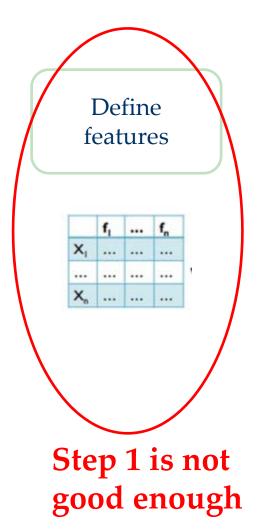
The letter "T" in different typefaces



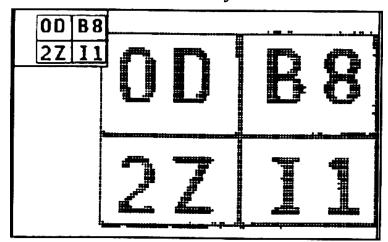
Same face under different expression, pose, illumination



Why general classification hard?



▶ Inter-class similarity

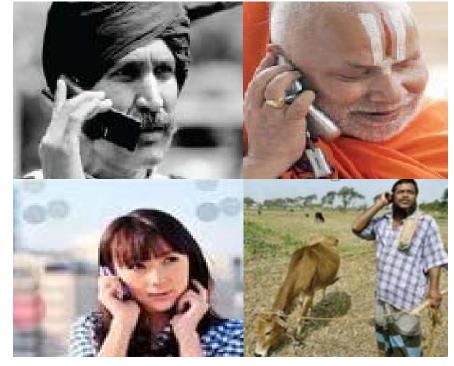






Semantic Gap







Looks similar
But semantically
different



Looks different
But semantically
the same

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Representation: Features

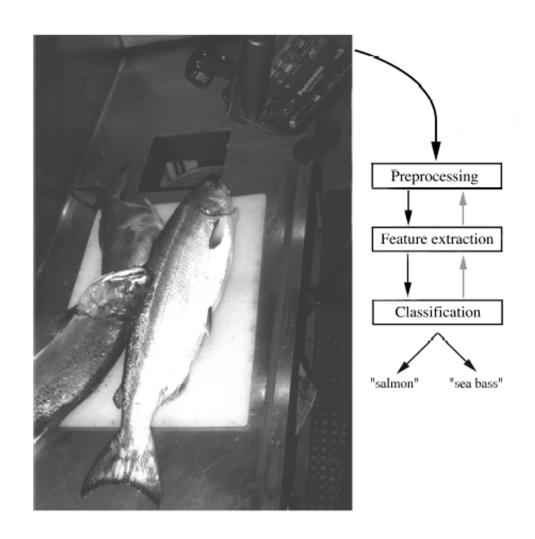
- Extract features to represent the samples
- Feature vector

- Good representation:
 - Low intra-class variability
 - Low inter-class similarity

Fish Classification: Salmon v. Sea Bass

Preprocessing involves image enhancement and segmentation;

- (i) separate touching or occluding fishes and
- (ii) extract fish contour





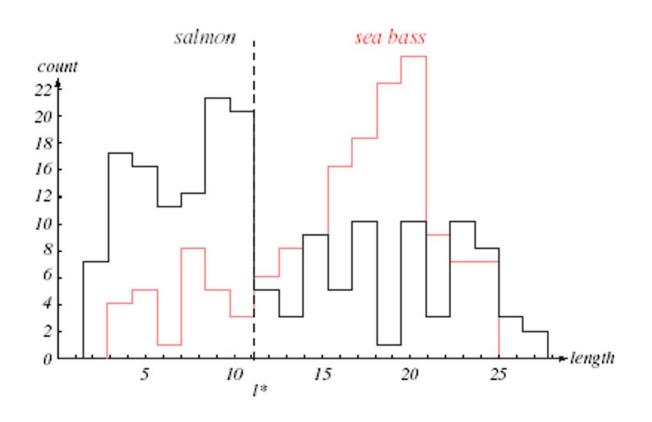
Representation: Fish Length As Feature

► How to design a classifier?



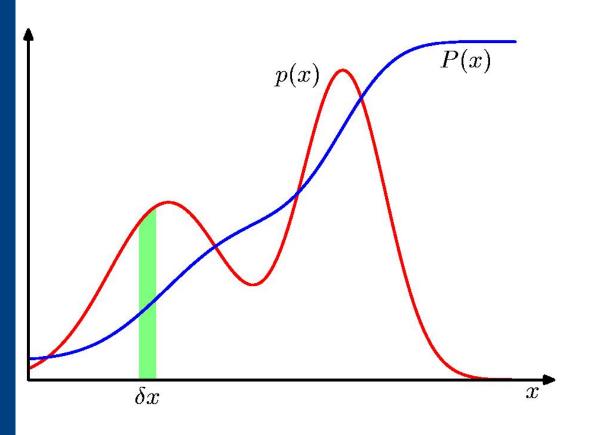
Representation: Fish Length As Feature

Training (design or learning) Samples





Probability Densities



$$p(x \in (a,b)) = \int_{a}^{b} p(x) dx$$

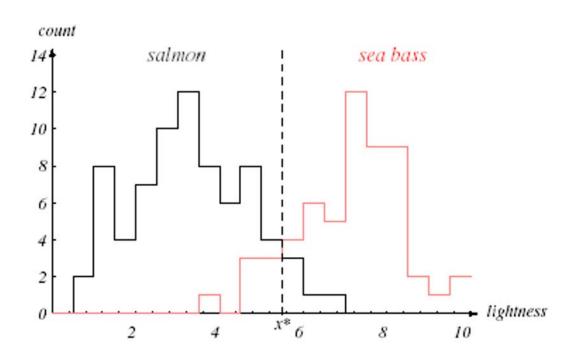
$$P(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{z} p(x) \, \mathrm{d}x$$

$$p(x) \geqslant 0$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = 1$$



Fish Lightness As Feature

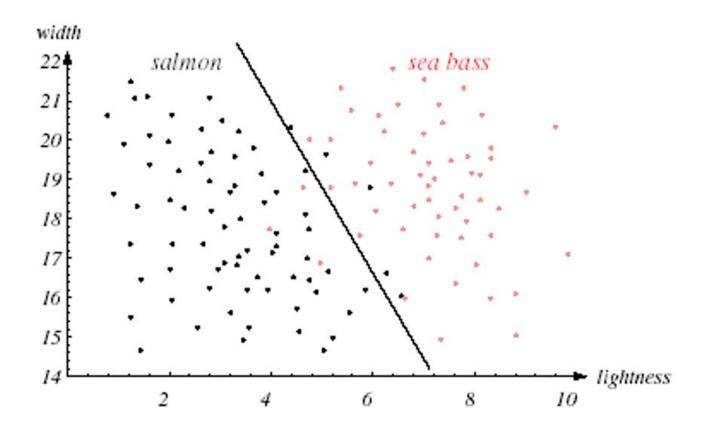


Overlap of these histograms is small compared to length feature



Two-dimensional Feature Space

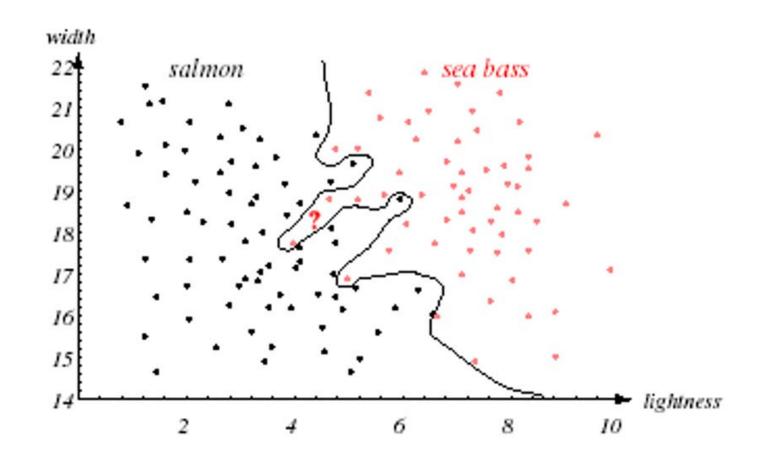
Linear (simple) decision boundary



Two features together are better than individual features

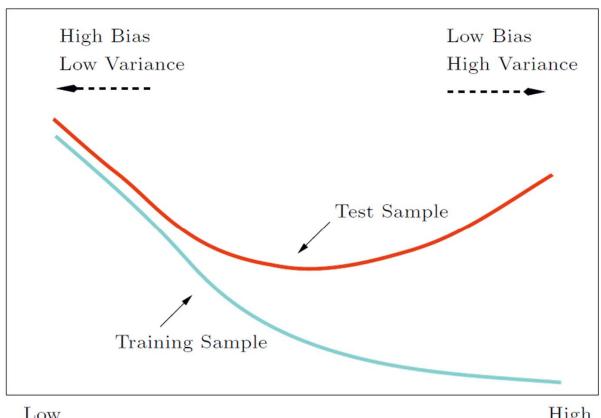


Complex Decision Boundary





Prediction Error



Low High Model Complexity



Generalization

- A generalization of a concept is an extension of the concept to lessspecific criteria.
- Generalization of the classifier (model)
 - The performance of the classifier on test data.

- Training error:
- ▶ Simple model → large training error
- ▶ Complex model → less training error

- Test error:
- ▶ Simple model \rightarrow ?
- ▶ Complex model \rightarrow ?



Prerequisite Knowledge

- Probability:
 - Bayes theorem
- Analysis:
 - Gradient descent
- Linear Algebra
 - Linear space,
 - Matrix
 - Rank...
 - Positive definite matrix...
 - Eigenvector, eigenvalue
 - Singular vector, singular value