

# Mathematical Methods for Machine Learning

## Phương Pháp Toán Cho Học Máy

NGUYỄN QUẢN BÁ HỒNG

UMT, HCMC – University of Management & Technology, Ho Chi Minh City

Ngày 12 tháng 5 năm 2025

# Table of Contents

- 1 Preliminaries
- 2 Basic Mathematics for Machine Learning
- 3 Linear Regression – Hồi Quy Tuyến Tính

[Tie20] VŨ HỮU TIỆP. *Machine Learning Cơ Bản*.

[DF023] MARC PETER DEISENROTH, A. ALDO FAISAL, CHENG SOON ONG. *Mathematics for Machine Learning*. 2023.

**Target Audience.** Mainly: Engineering- & CS undergraduate students.

Note: Mathematics undergraduate students, especially academic-oriented (researchers), need much more rigorously theoretical mathematical foundations for ML.

## Goal/Objective

Learn enough mathematics to be able to balance our comprehension in both mathematical- & technical (engineering) aspects of Machine Learning: Adjust “suitable” coefficients  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in (0, 1)$  s.t.  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$  &

$$\text{Maximize Goal(What, How, Why)} := \alpha \text{What} + \beta \text{How} + \gamma \text{Why.} \quad (1)$$

where the functional  $\text{Goal(What, How, Why)}$  depends on your target job(s) & purpose(s).

# Audiences & Goals

Distinguish 2 different perspectives/orientations for a CS student:  
Engineering-oriented & Mathematics-oriented.

## Engineering perspective

Engineers need to learn various What (definitions, tools) & mainly focus on How (technicalities, tools), “practical Why” & a little bit on “theoretical Why”.

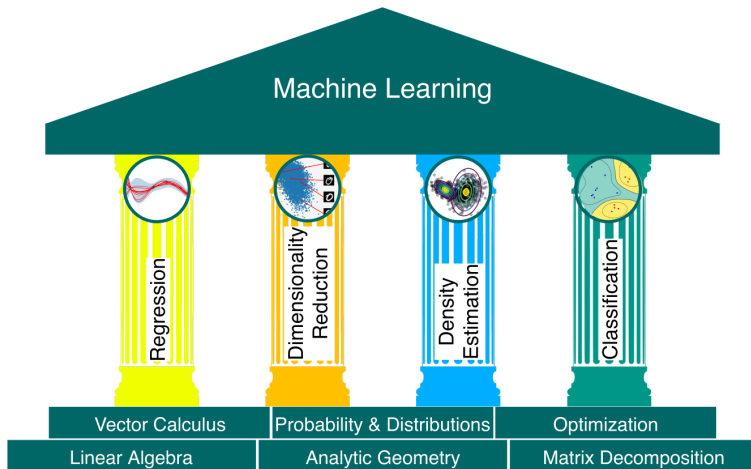
E.g.: *Why/How does this algorithm/model work? Why/How does(n't) my code work?*

## Mathematics perspective

Mathematicians have to learn & build various What (definitions, concepts), mainly focus on “theoretical Why” (logic, rigorous proof), then on How (mathematical tools)

E.g.: *Why/How is this model “optimal” in mathematical sense?*

# Prerequisites



Hình: Foundations & 4 pillars of ML. Source: [Deisenroth\_Faisal\_Ong2023].

# Prerequisites

Linear Algebra

Probability

Statistics

[Tie20] VŨ HỮU TIỆP. *Machine Learning Cơ Bản*. Chap. 7: *Hồi Quy Tuyến Tính*.

## Intuition.

- Hồi quy tuyến tính là 1 thuật toán hồi quy mà đầu ra là 1 hàm số tuyến tính của đầu vào:

Outputs = linear\_function(Inputs).

$$y \approx \hat{y} = f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i x_i = x^T w.$$

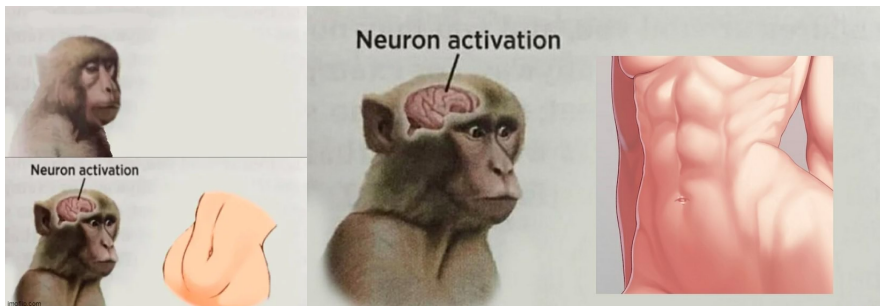
- Thuật toán đơn giản nhất trong nhóm các thuật toán học có giám sát (simplest algorithm in supervised learning ones).



# Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs)

Distinguish: ANN vs. BNN.

Activation function  $\sigma(\cdot)$



**Hình:** A typical monkey's (maybe man also?) biological neural networks (BNN) gets activated by 2D/anime girl's strong abs.