

Pattern Recognition

An Introduction

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Course Material & Grading

- Books

- “Pattern Classification”, R. O. Duda, P. E. Hart, D. G. Stork, John Wiley & Sons, Second Edition.
 - “Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning”, Christopher M. Bishop, Springer, 2006.

- Marks Breakup

Assignments / Quizzes: 30% Class Participation: 10%

Mid Term(s): 20% Final: 40%

Course Material & Grading

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• **Assignments**

will be submitted through www.turnitin.com

- Class ID:16026077
- Passwd: pr123
- Small coding assignments in the class

• **Tools**

- MATLAB (Image processing toolbox)
 - Implement different techniques rather than just going through theory
 - Learn simple operations during implementation of complex algorithms

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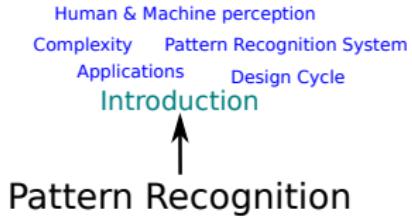
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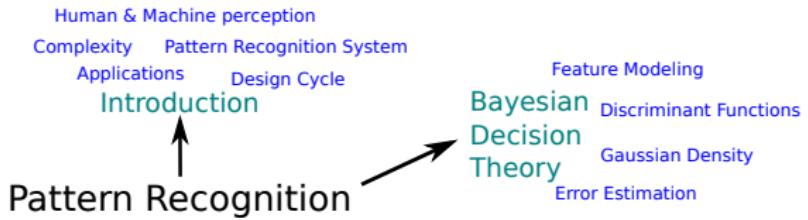
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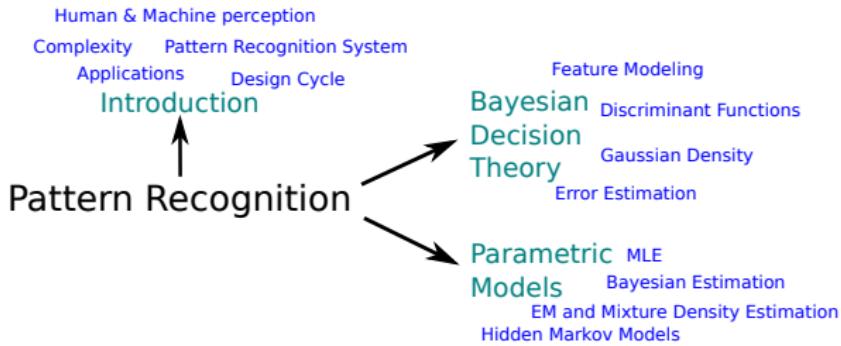
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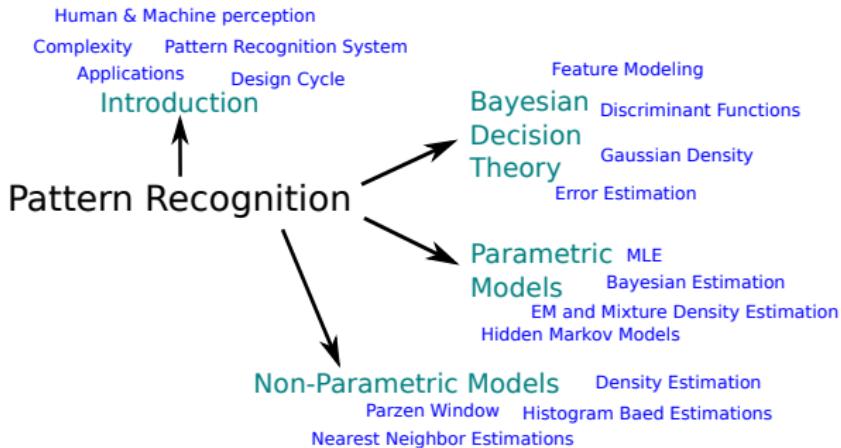
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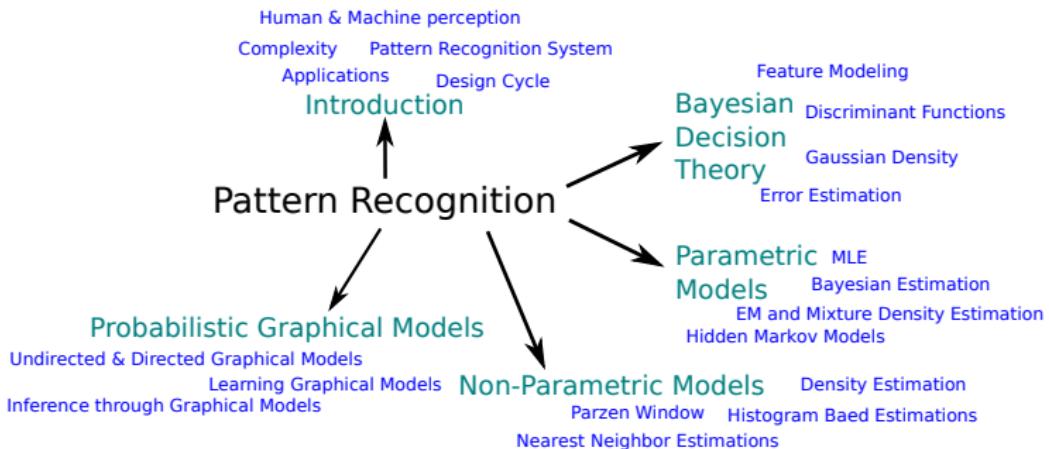
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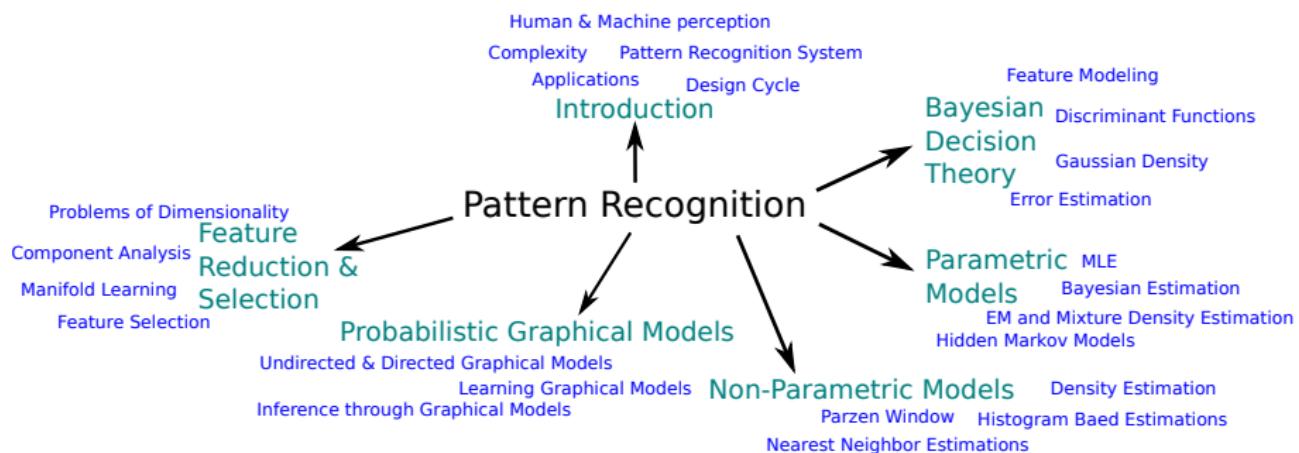
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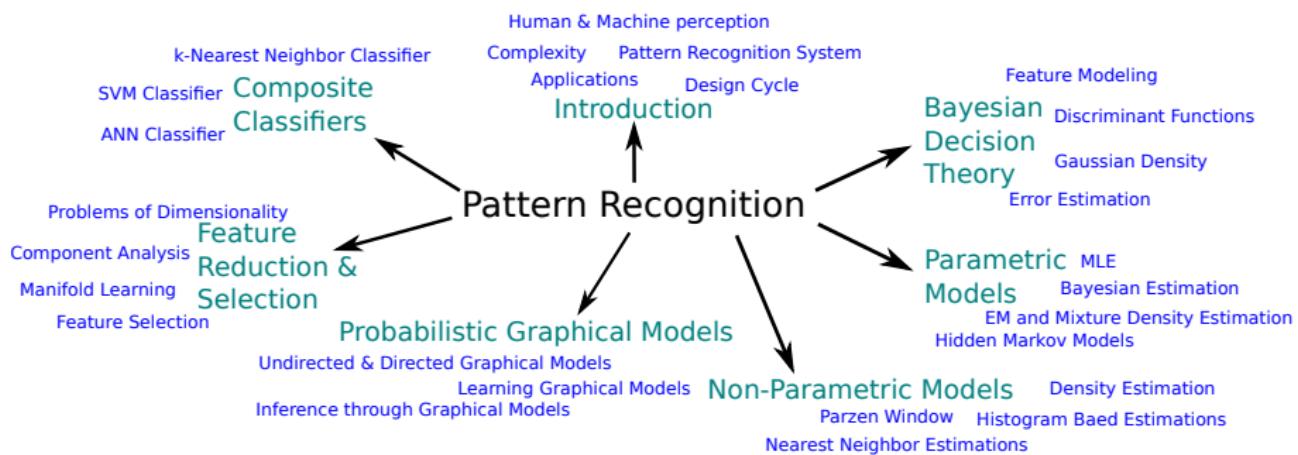
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Pattern Recognition Applications

Problem Domain	Application	Input Pattern	Pattern Classes
Document image analysis	Optical character recognition	Document image	Characters, words
Document classification	Internet search	Text document	Semantic categories
Document classification	Junk mail filtering	Email	Junk/non-junk
Multimedia database retrieval	Internet search	Video clip	Video genres
Speech recognition	Telephone directory assistance	Speech waveform	Spoken words
Natural language processing	Information extraction	Sentences	Parts of speech
Biometric recognition	Personal identification	Face, iris, fingerprint	Authorized users for access control
Medical	Computer aided diagnosis	Microscopic image	Cancerous/healthy cell
Military	Automatic target recognition	Optical or infrared image	Target type
Industrial automation	Printed circuit board inspection	Intensity or range image	Defective/non-defective product
Industrial automation	Fruit sorting	Images taken on a conveyor belt	Grade of quality
Remote sensing	Forecasting crop yield	Multispectral image	Land use categories
Bioinformatics	Sequence analysis	DNA sequence	Known types of genes
Data mining	Searching for meaningful patterns	Points in multidimensional space	Compact and well-separated clusters

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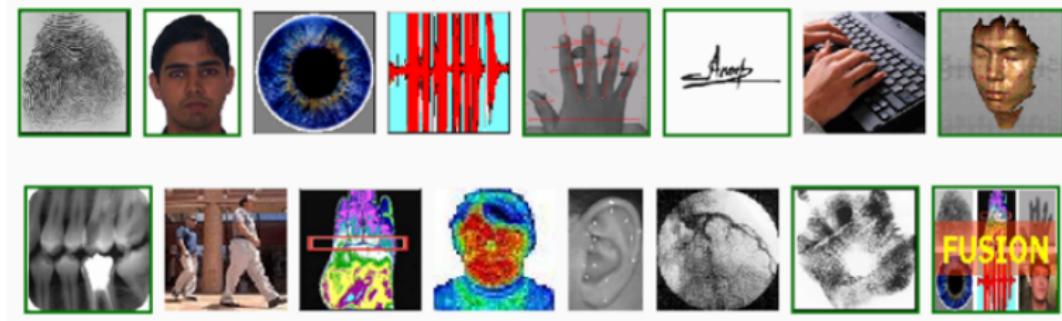
Chinese Handwriting Recognition

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Finger Print Recognition

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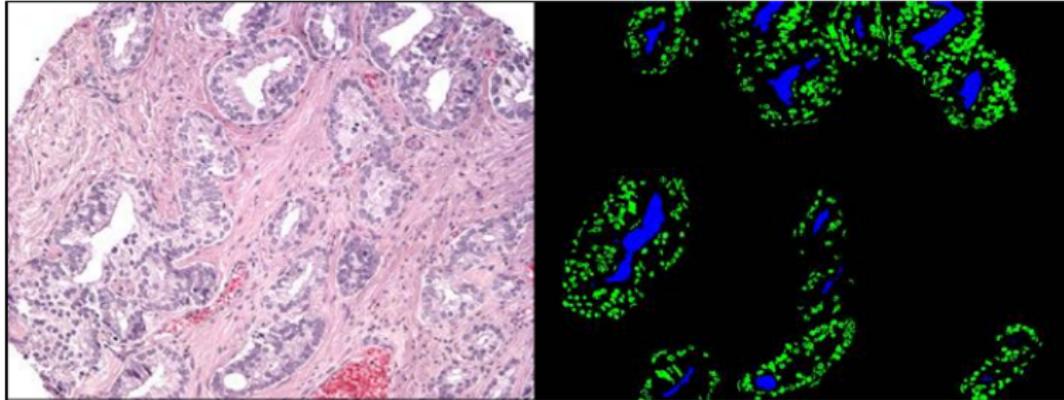
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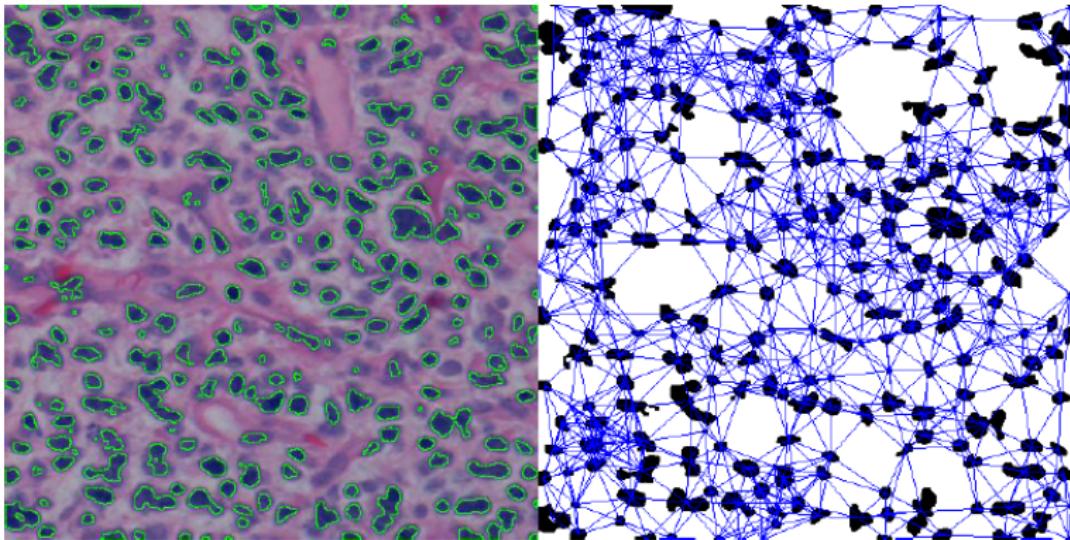
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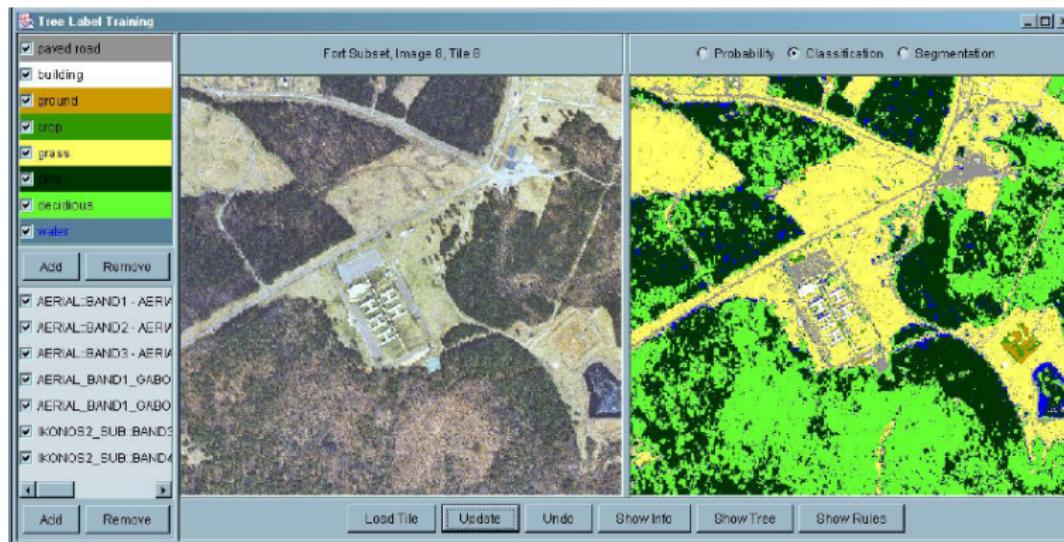
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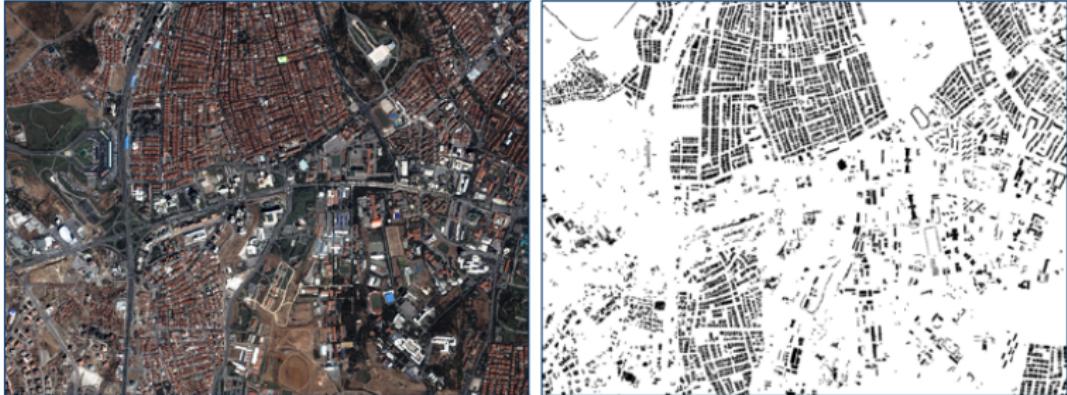
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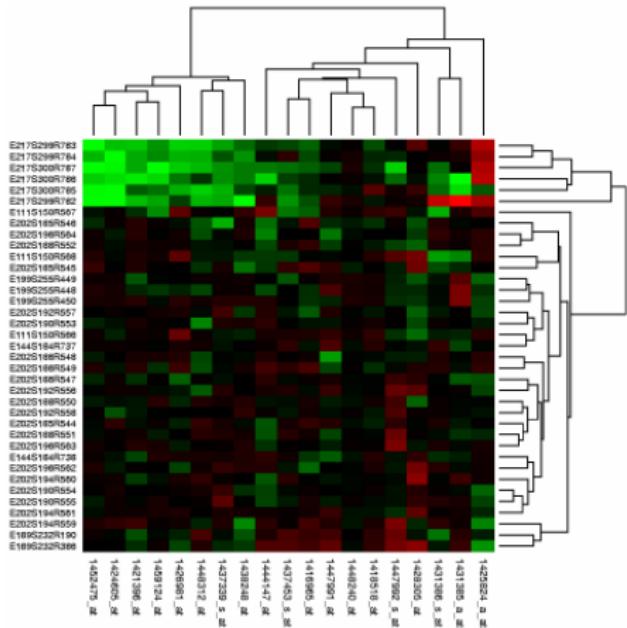
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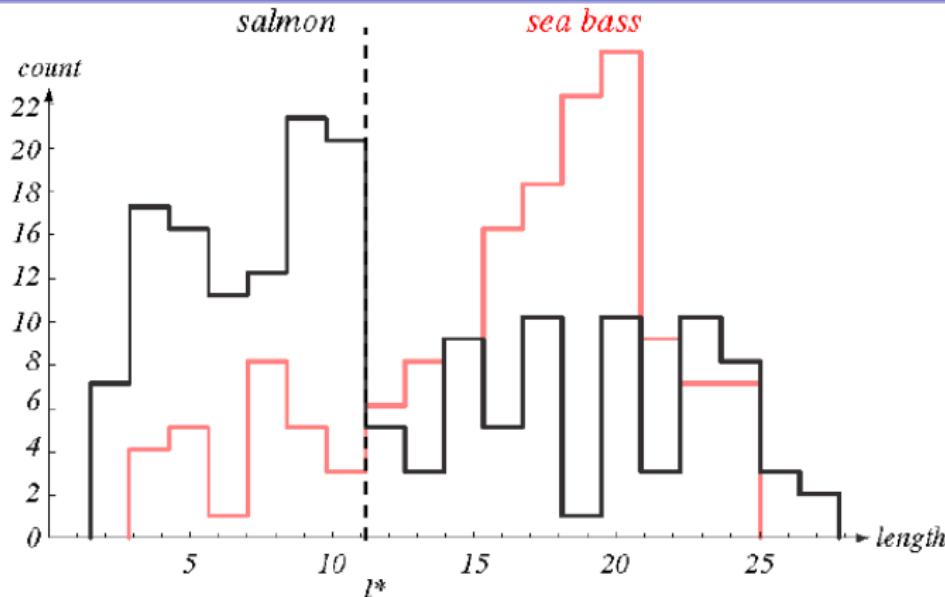
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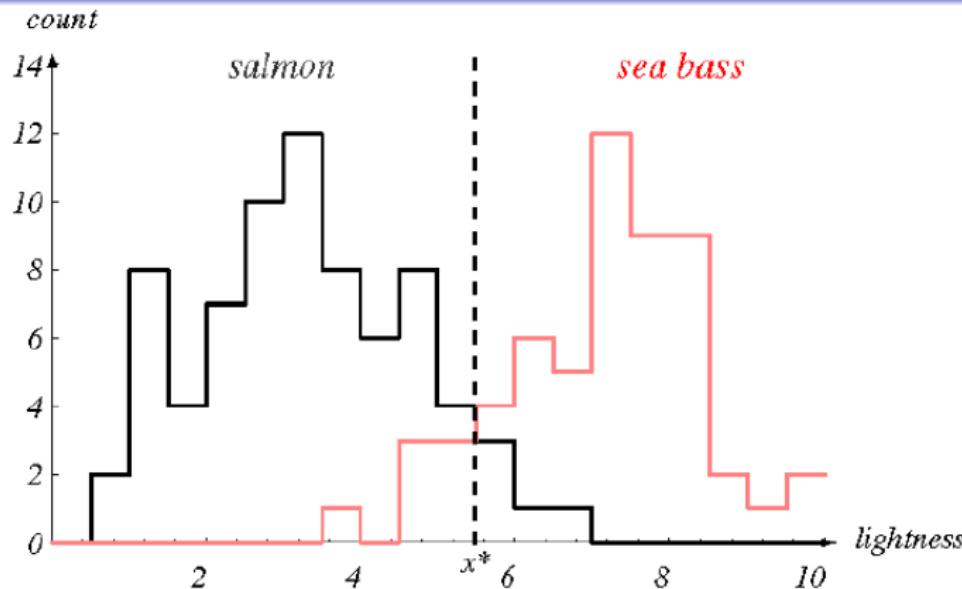
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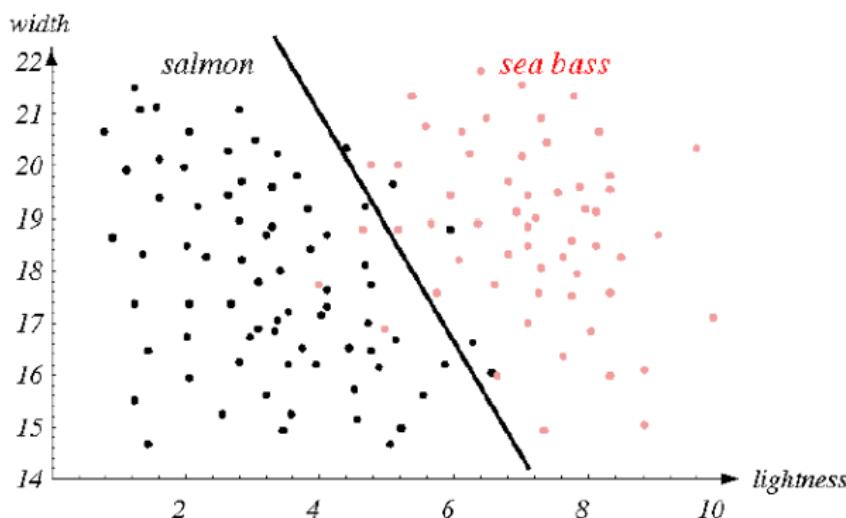
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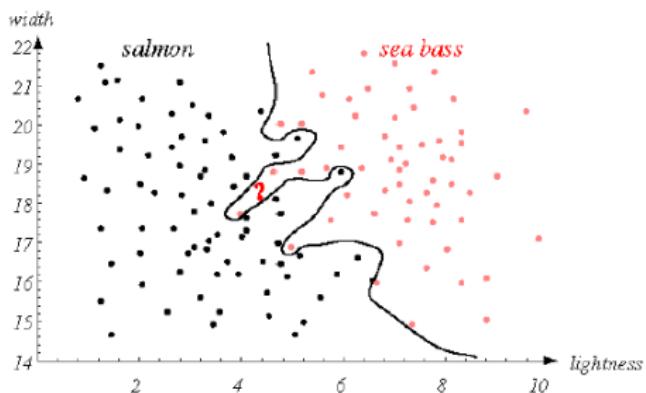
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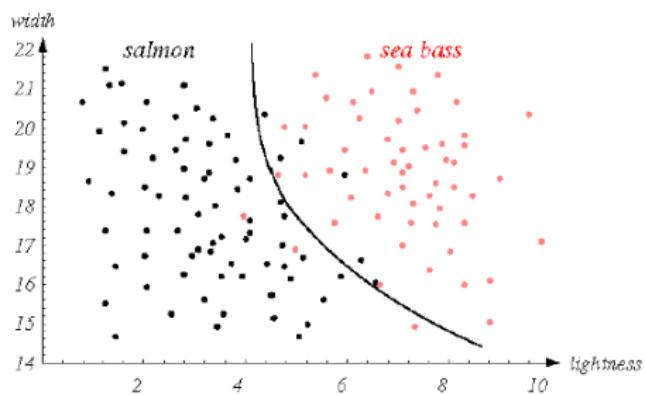
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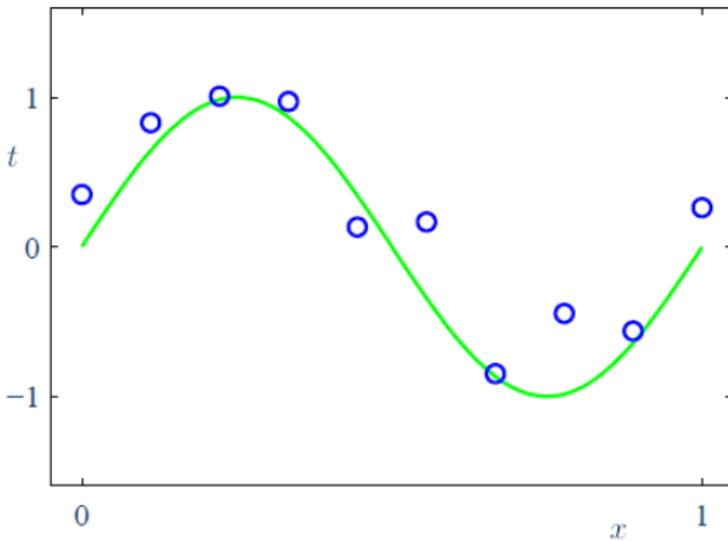
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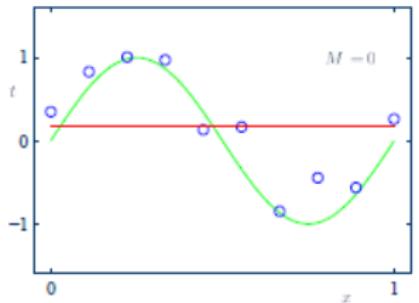
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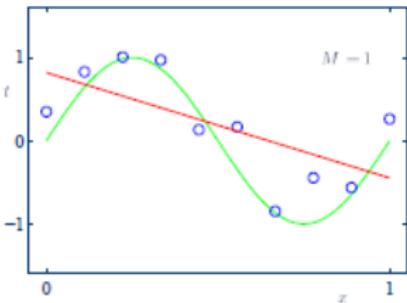


Regression example: plot of 10 sample points for the input variable x along with the corresponding target variable t . Green curve is the true function that generated the data.

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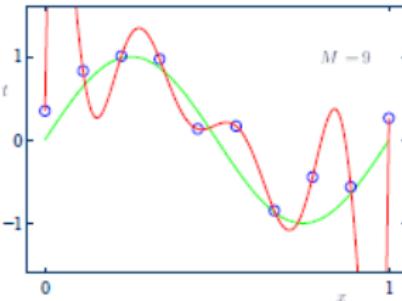
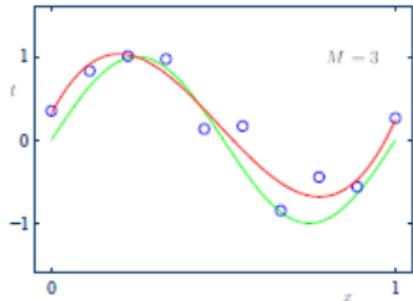
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(b) 1st order polynomial

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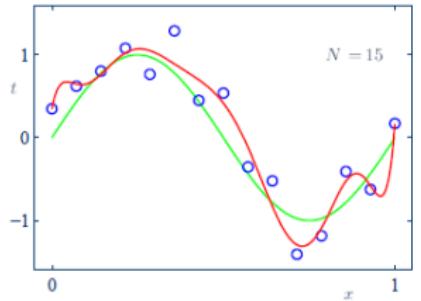
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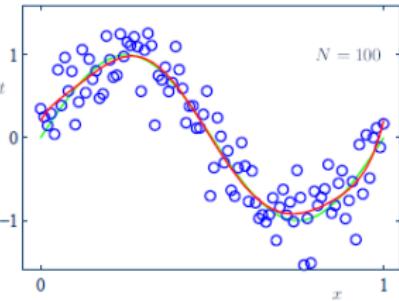
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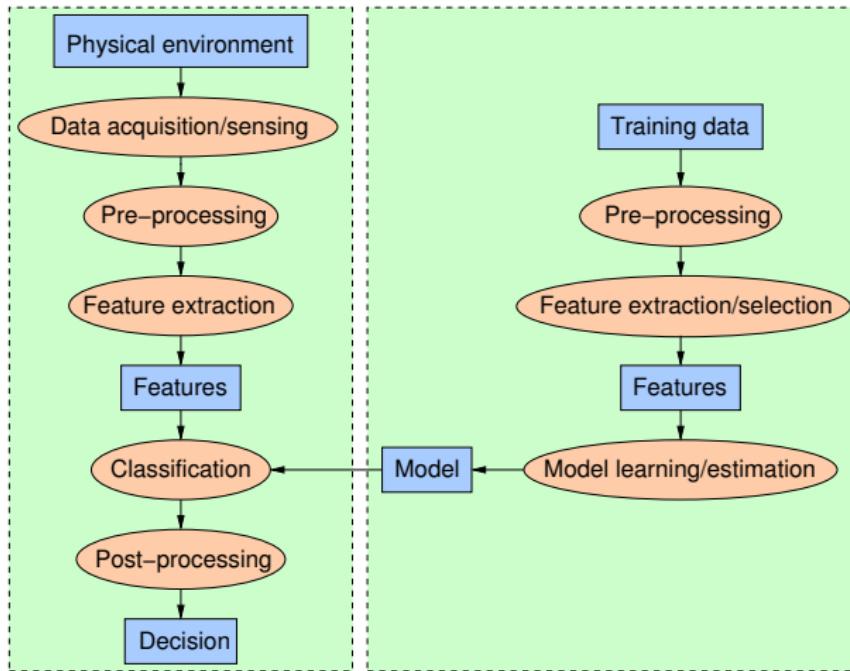
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Object/process diagram of a pattern recognition system.

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- There are many sub-problems in the design process.
- Many of these problems can indeed be solved.
- More complex learning, searching and optimization algorithms are developed with advances in computer technology.
- There remain many fascinating unsolved problems.