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Introduction to Intelligent Systems



Introduction:

Unsupervised Learning
Supervised Learning

Prototype based learning

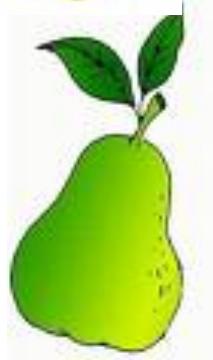
Unsupervised Learning : **Vector Quantization (VQ)**
competitive learning / K-means algorithm
relation to clustering

Supervised Learning : **Learning Vector Quantization (LVQ)**
relevance learning: adaptive distance measures

Validation **Generalization performance**

Cross-validation and related schemes
Model selection, over-fitting etc.





data driven feature
selection (color, shape,...)
defines similarity





some issues in unsupervised learning:

- find a reasonable **criterion**, set of **features** to group data
- how many **clusters** or groups ? (model selection)
- how to define **similarity** / dissimilarity ?
- what is the aim ?

reduction: represent large amount of data by few prototypes

compression: represent all data by few features

clustering: identify groups of similar data

- aim may define **cost function** or optimization strategy = **learning**
but there is no “right” or “wrong”, no feedback

input
(data)

output
(class label)

question

prediction

4	13	6	11	8
0	1	0	1	0

7
?

consistent hypotheses:

odd numbers → 1

numbers > 10 → 1

input
(data)

4	13	6	11	8	2
0	1	0	1	0	1

output
(class label)

question

answer

7
?

consistent hypotheses:

~~odd numbers~~ → 1

~~numbers > 10~~ → 1

prime numbers → 1

space of consistent hypotheses shrinks with increasing # of examples



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prediction

				
pear	apple	apple	pear	apple


apple

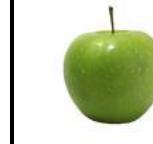
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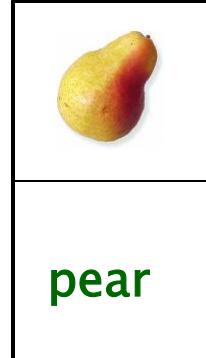
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selected feature: shape



some issues in supervised learning:

- complexity of the hypothesis space (model selection)
- parameterization of hypothesis
 - e.g. neural networks, prototype based classifiers, ...
- how to handle noise, e.g. wrong *labels* in example data
- suitable similarity / distance measures
- construction / selection of relevant features
- the aim is clear:
 - correct prediction of novel input data, i.e. generalization
- difficult: optimization of generalization ability
 - heuristic criteria, cost functions, learning algorithms
- validation: can we test/predict performance / generalization ability
 - with respect to new unseen data ?