

# Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition

ECE 4950

# Last month ...

- BoozAllenHamilton & Kaggle announced
- <http://www.datasciencebowl.com>

# The Lung Cancer Detection Challenge

**Start Your Submission! January 12 – April 12, 2017**

Lung cancer is one of the most common types of cancer, with nearly 225,000 new cases of the disease expected in the U.S. in 2016.

Using a data set of high-resolution scans of lungs provided by the National Cancer Institute, participants will develop artificial intelligence algorithms to accurately determine when lesions in the lungs are cancerous. This will dramatically reduce the false positive rate that prevents low-dose CT scans from being widely used for lung cancer detection.

Competition results have the potential to advance our understanding of how all types of cancer develop and spread in the body. They'll also free radiologists to spend more time with patients.

## The Prize

This year, the Data Science Bowl will award a total prize purse of \$1 million—provided by the [Laura and John Arnold Foundation](#)—to those who observe the right patterns, ask the right questions, and in turn, create unprecedented impact around this high-priority issue.



**\$500,000**

1st Place



**\$200,000**

2nd Place



**\$100,000**

3rd Place



**\$25,000**

4th-10th Place

In addition, \$5,000 will be awarded to each of the top three most highly voted Kernels (Total of \$15,000) and \$10,000 in prizes to be awarded for sharing your Data Science Bowl journey on social media – more details to be announced on February 1, 2017.

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Team of Cornell students excited to participate

Prof. Sabuncu willing to be faculty mentor

<http://blogs.cornell.edu/teams/2016-teams/datascience/>

Prof. Mert Sabuncu, ECE&BME

Please contact him if interested!

Will come back to this in a bit ...

**Hope:** What we learn in this class will be helpful there ...

# Logistics

**Lectures:** MWF 11.15-12.05, Snee Hall Geological Sci 1150

Try as much **on board** as possible

**Discussion:** Tu 9.05-9.55 hours, Phillips Hall 407

Reinforce pre-requisites

Coding

Discussions are mandatory!

# Logistics

**Instructor:** Jayadev Acharya, 304 Rhodes Hall

**Office hours:** MoTh 3-4 PM, Rhodes Hall 312

**Teaching Assistant:** Nirmal Vijay Shende

**Office hours:** TBA

<https://people.ece.cornell.edu/acharya/teaching/ece4950s17/ece4950.html>

WAITLIST on the website. Please put your names.

# Prerequisites

Linear Algebra

Math2940 or equivalent

Basic Probability and Statistics

ECE3100, STSCI3080, ECE3250 or equivalent

Discussion session for reinforcing concepts

**Not** for introducing them!

Basic experience with python helpful!



# Grading

- Assignments: 50%
  - 6-7 assignments, 1-2 weeks for turning in
  - Submission via CMS
- Miniproject: 25%
  - In-class Kaggle competition
  - Report and performance both matter
- Examination: 25%
  - Final examination

Will grade with other weights, and give better of the two grades

# Websites

Class website linked from my website:

Piazza used for:

discussions, announcements, posting materials

[www.piazza.com/cornell/spring2017/ece4950](http://www.piazza.com/cornell/spring2017/ece4950)

CMS for turning in assignments



First time teaching such a class

Learn together

**Please** bear with inconveniences

# MLPR – What are the problems?

Given examples (**training**), do:

- Decide something about **new examples** (**test**)
- Find interesting patterns in data

# Example - Classification

e-mail-1: Spam

e-mail-2: Spam

e-mail-3: Ham

e-mail-4: Spam

...

e-mail-n: Ham

e-mailX = {Spam, Ham}?

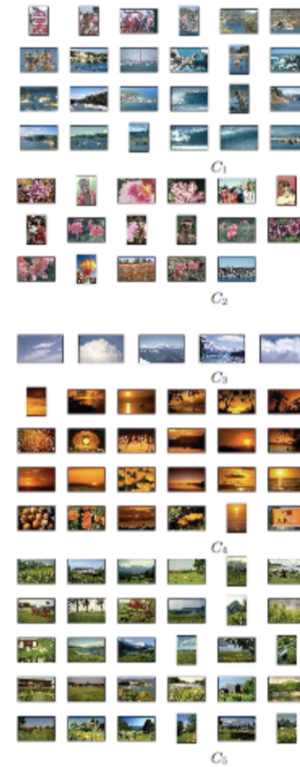
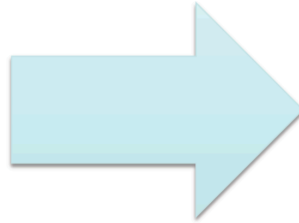
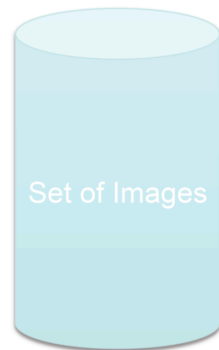
# Example - Regression



**Given past 1.5 years of Gold prices, predict tomorrow's**

# Example – Clustering

Clustering images



[Goldberger et al.]

# Back to Data Science Bowl

Low-Dose CT scans assess if cancer treatments are working and if tumors shrink over time

**20%**

of lung cancer deaths can be reduced with early detection & low-dose CT scans

However, current technology has a...

**95%**

false positive rate, which is unacceptably high

Lung Cancer is the most common type of cancer with...

**225,000**

new cases in the U.S. in 2016

**\$12 billion**

were accounted for in healthcare costs in the U.S. every year



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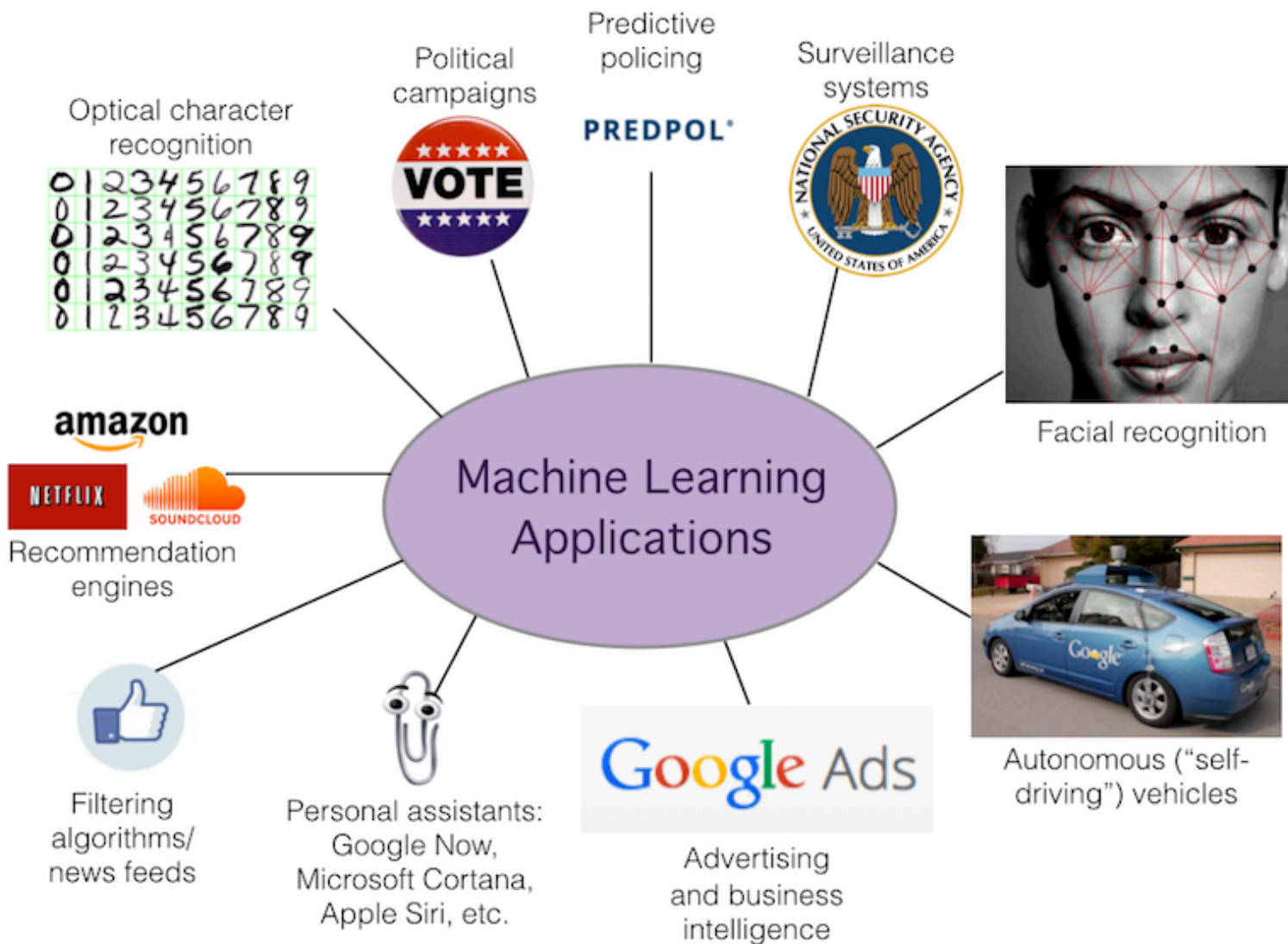
# What do we have here?

**Training:** High resolution lung scans with labels  
(cancerous or not)

**Test:** Given new images, decide cancerous or not

**GOOD LUCK!**

# Why learn this?



[https://redshiftzero.github.io/assets/manip/ml\\_applications.png](https://redshiftzero.github.io/assets/manip/ml_applications.png)

MOVE TO THE BOARD now ...