

CSE 575: Statistical Machine Learning

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Course Information

Basic Information

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- Lecture
 - Time: F 3:05pm – 5:35pm
 - Location: CAVC 351
- TA
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 - Office hours
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 - Location: BYENG M1-30

Objective and Topics

- Objective
 - An in-depth understanding of machine learning and statistical pattern recognition techniques and their applications.
- Topics
 - Probability distributions, MLE, regression, classification, decision tree, boosting, kernel methods, clustering, mixture models, graphical models, dimensionality reduction, and advanced topics, such as deep learning.

Prerequisites

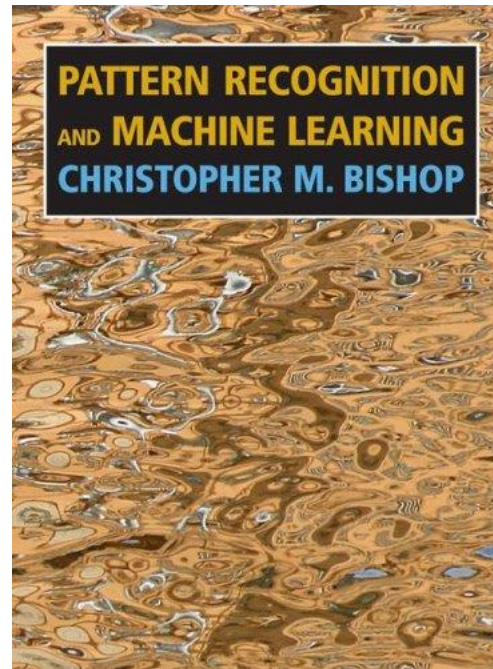
- VERY IMPORTANT!
- Basics of linear algebra, probability, algorithm design and analysis.
- Proficient in programming in one of the following languages (Matlab, Python, C++ or Java)
- Screen-quiz: later TODAY!

Tentative Class Schedule

Week	Topic	Homework	Exam
1	Introduction	HW1 out	Screen-Quiz
2	Probability Basics, MLE		
3	Linear Regression, Bias-Variance Tradeoff		
4	Naive Bayes, Logistic Regression		
5	Overfitting	HW1 due, HW2 out	Midterm 1
6	Decision Tree		
7	Boosting, Instance-based Learning		
8	Support Vector Machines		
9	Spring Break	HW2 due, HW3 out	Midterm 2
10	Bayes Networks, GMM, EM		
11	Dimensionality Reduction		
12	Graphical Models		
13	Bayes Networks	HW3 due	
14	Hidden Markov Models		
15	Advanced Topics		
16	Group Presentation		

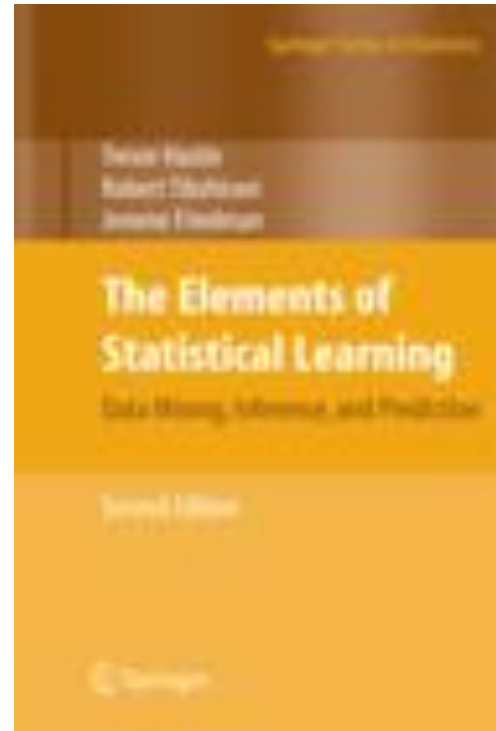
Textbook

- Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, Christopher M. Bishop, 2006.



Reference Books

- The Elements of Statistical Learning: Data Mining, Inference, and Prediction (Second Edition) by Trevor Hastie, Robert Tibshirani and Jerome Friedman (2009)



Grading

- **Project: 30%**
 - Each group has 6~8 students
 - Project proposal (10%)
 - Group presentation (5%)
 - Final project report (15%)
- **Homework (3): 15%**
 - Equal weights
 - Each student should finish *independently*
- **Exam (3): 50%**
 - Feb 9 (10%), Mar 23 (10%), Final (30%)
 - Closed book for all exams: NO cheat sheet allowed
- **Class participation: 5%**
 - Students are required to attend the lectures and participate in the class discussion
- A+; A: 90—100, A-: 85—89, B+: 80—84, B: 70—79, C: 60—70

Class Project

- Project proposal (1 page) due on **2/23/18** at 11:59pm
 - 1) Project title
 - 2) Team members: roles of each member
 - 3) Description of the problem you try to address
 - 4) Preliminary plan (milestones)
 - 5) Paper list
- Final project report (10-15 pages) due on **4/27/18** at 11:59pm
 - 1) Introduction: a summary of the problem, previous work, methods, and results
 - 2) Problem description: a detailed description of the problem you try to address
 - 3) Methodology: a detailed description of methods used
 - 4) Results: a detailed description of your observations from the experiments
 - 5) Conclusions and future work: a brief summary of the main contributions of the project and the lessons you learn from the project, as well as a list of some potential future work.

Academic Integrity

- Violations of the University Academic Integrity policy will **NOT** be tolerated. Penalties include reduced or 0 credit for submitted work, a failing grade in the class, a note on your official transcript that shows you were punished for cheating, suspension, expulsion and revocation of already awarded degrees. The university requires that should I implement any of these penalties, I must report the matter to the Dean's office. The university academic integrity policy can be found at <http://provost.asu.edu/academicintegrity>.

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Disclaimer

- Some lecture notes are modified based on the slides made by Dr. Carlos Guestrin (with permission) while he was teaching Machine Learning at Carnegie Mellon University.