

Introduction

Machine Learning

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Learning objectives

- ML impacts many aspects of our lives!
- ML / AI: Definition and differentiation
- The basic structure of a ML model
- Different ML paradigms

Introduction

What is artificial intelligence?



ML/Al are changing everything

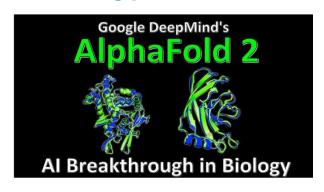
Recommender Systems



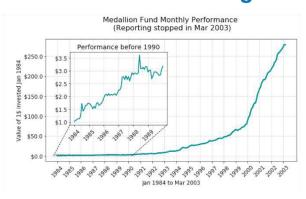
Beating Humans at GO



Predicting protein structure



Automated Trading



Language Translation



Self-driving Cars





What is intelligence?

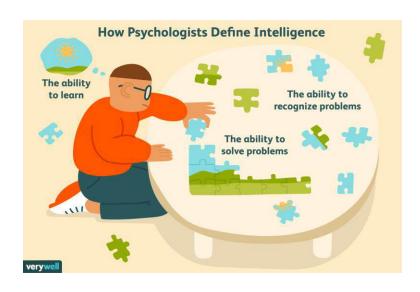
- The word intelligence derives from intelligere, Latin for: to comprehend or perceive
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- Intelligence in psychology: Ability to... (<u>Source</u>)
 - ...learn from experience: Acquisition, retention, and use of knowledge is an important component of intelligence.
 - ...recognize problems: To use knowledge, people first must identify the problems it might address.
 - ...solve problems: People must then use what they have learned to come up with solutions to problems.





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- Intelligence in psychology:
 - Memorization
 - Pattern recognition
 - Generlization





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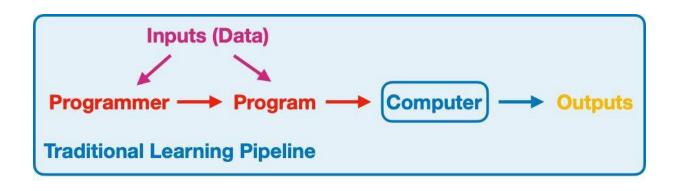
Machine learning is the field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed.

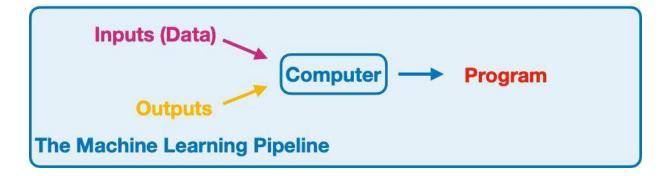
Arthur L. Samuel, Al pioneer, 1959



Software 2.0

- Machine learning enables a new paradigm in software development.
- Software 1.0: Rules and logic to make predictions, given the data, are explicitly programmed.
- Software 2.0: Developers create or curate datasets and train models to make decisions, predictions, or optimizations.

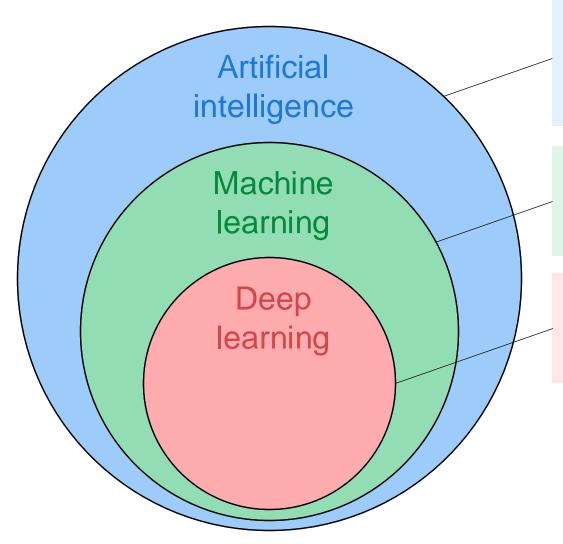




If you want to know more about it: Article about Software 2.0 (by Andrej Karpathy): <u>Link</u>



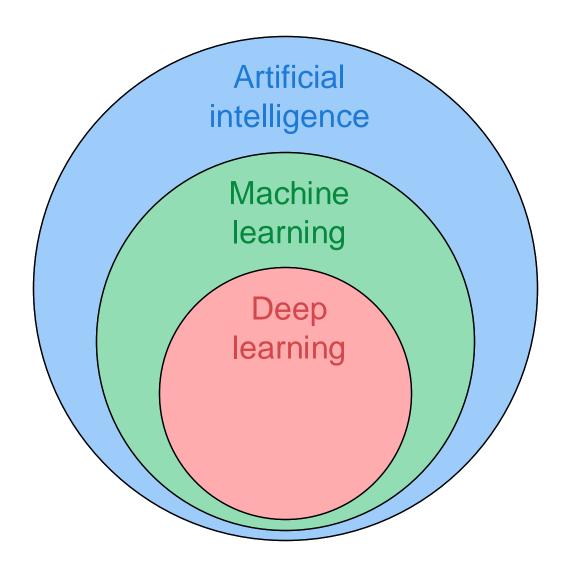
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- Techniques to enable computer systems to imitate intelligent human behavior.
- Goal: Solve tasks humans are good at, like sensing, reasoning, acting, adapting...
- Subset of AI techniques which use statistical methods to enable machines to learn and improve from experience
- Application of machine learning based on algorithms with brain-like logical structure called artificial neural networks.



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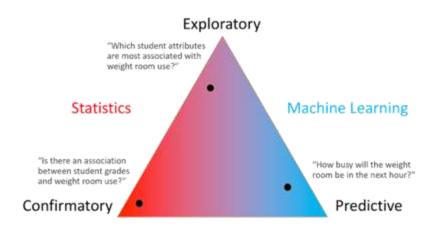


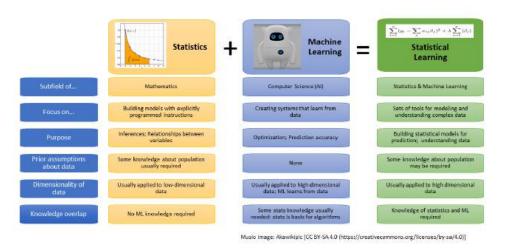
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Source: stats.stackexchange.com

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So what is a machine learning model?



Formal introduction

• In ML, a **model** is a mathematical representation, function or algorithm that defines the relationship between input data and the desired output.

Model (e.g., classifier or regression model)
 Model parameters

$$y = f(x|\theta) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Problem dimensionality

d = 1: univariate

d > 1: multivariate

Response or labels

The information we want to predict. Often difficult or expensive to measure.

 $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Defines problem type: Binary classification

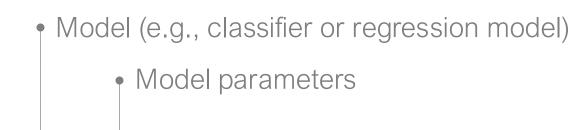
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Varies per problem type:

 $y \in \mathbb{R}$: Regression

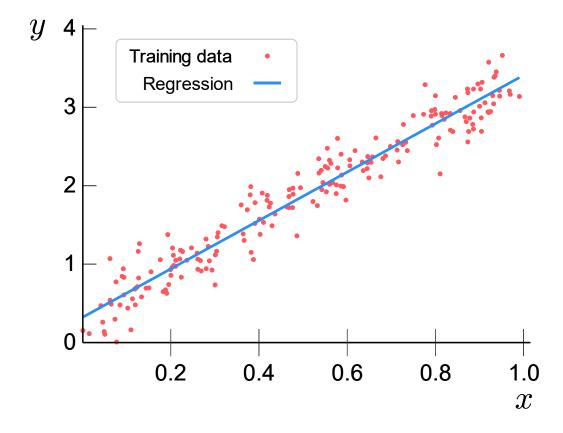
 $y \in [0,1]$: Prob. assignment

 $y \in \{0,1\}$: Binary classification



Example: Linear regression

- Available data:
 - x: Amount of chocolate consumed (observable)
 - y: Reported happiness (difficult to measure)
- Aim: Develop a model to predict a person's happiness once we know their chocolate consumption.
- Assumption: The relation is linear!
 - Model: $y = f(x|\theta) = mx + q$
 - Model parameter: $\theta = (m, q)$





Model training

- The model is trained using data to learn patterns or correlations, enabling it to make predictions, classifications, or decisions when provided with new, unseen data.
- During training, learning happens!
- More formally, training refers to the process of finding optimal model parameters (or model weights) θ^* , given some training data.
- ...optimal with respect to what?
 - We will require an optimality criterion, and performance measures to assess the quality of prediction

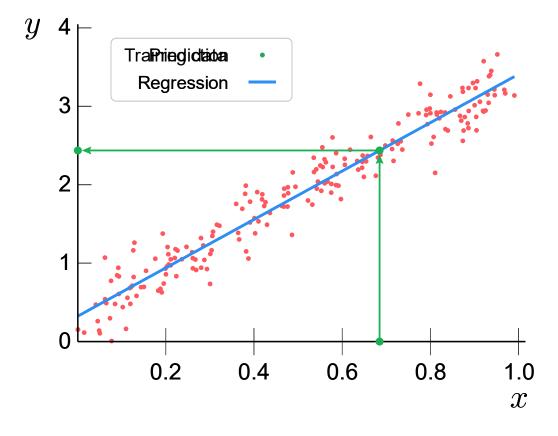


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Example: Linear regression

- The basic ML lifecycle
 - Training phase (find optimal model parameters)
 - Testing phase (check model performance)
 - Deployment (utilize the model for predictions)



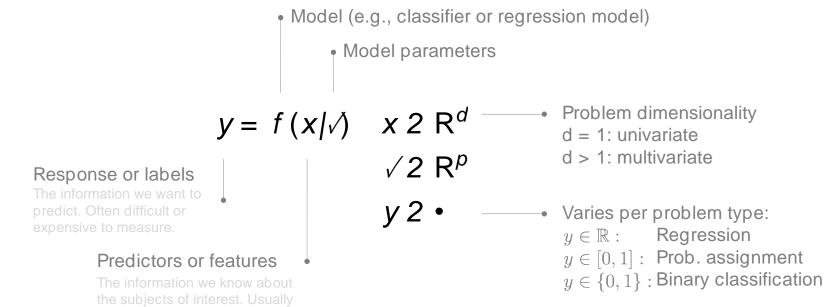


How would you do it?

Task:

- Choose three different real-world machine learning problems.
- For each of the problems, describe what x and y mean in words.
- Can you say something about f and θ?





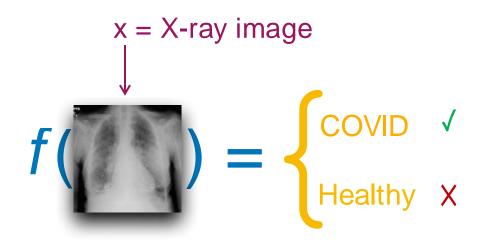


How to use a machine learning model?

$$f(X) = prediction$$



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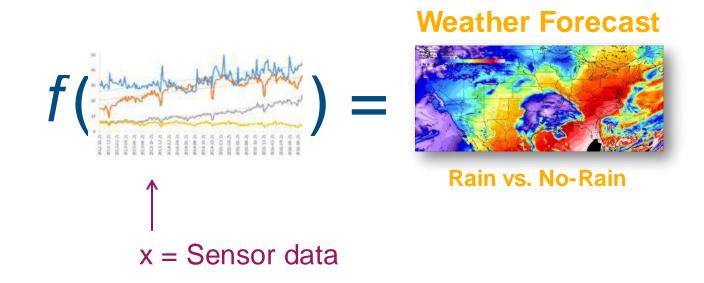








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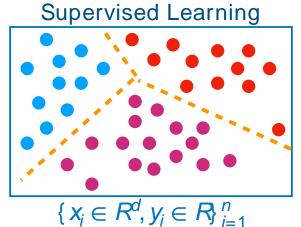


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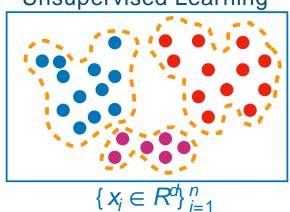


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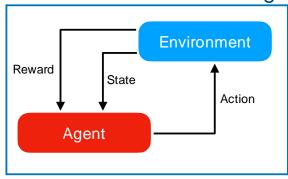
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Unsupervised Learning



Reinforcement Learning



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Agent: Kid

Environment: Neighbourhood street