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3 Pillars of ML

1. Learning Theory

↳ Ex: classification & learning algorithms

2. The problem

Given an unknown function $f(x)$

learn the function from examples.

Overview of Course Statistical - Learning

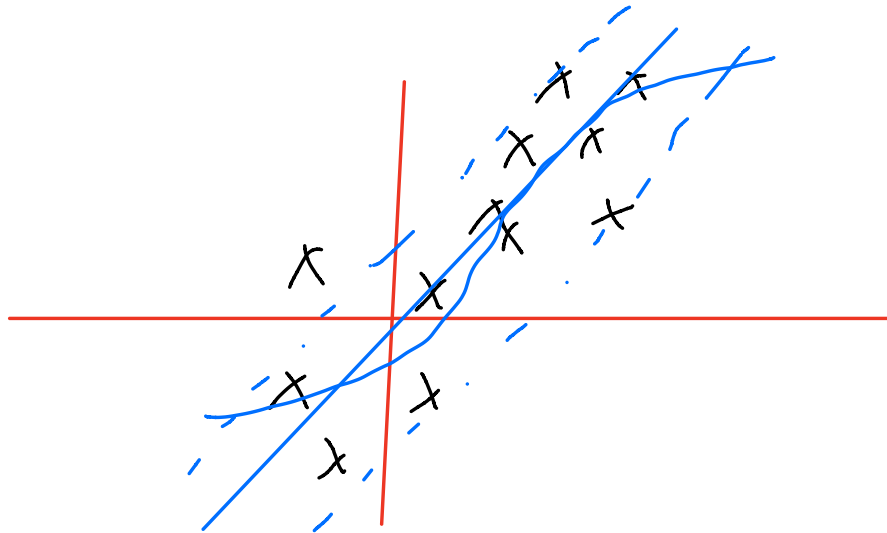
Predict y from $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_p) \in \mathbb{R}^p$

with

Training set $T = \{(\vec{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$

answer: $\hat{y} = f(x)$

\mathbb{R}^x : $f(x) = x\beta$ linear regression



$$y = f(x) + \varepsilon$$

Sometimes we'll focus on the
general prob. problem

$$P(x, y) = P(y|x) P(x)$$

Our job to recover $P(x, y)$ from T .

And also $E[Y|X]$

Rmk: Supervised learning: $T = (x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$

Unsupervised learning: $T = (x_i)_{i=1}^n$

Rmk: Y can have any structure

Ex: Nearest Neighbor Model

$$Y = f(X) \quad T = (x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$$

Given X ,

$$\hat{y}^{NN} = y^* \text{ s.t. } \min_i d(x_i, X) = X^*$$

$$\stackrel{KNN}{=} \frac{1}{|N_{X_0}|} \sum_{N_{X_0}} y_i$$

Ex: $\hat{f}(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N w(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_i) y_i$

└ usually a kernel.

Kernel Method

Nearest Neighbor	\subset	Kernel Method	\subset	Regression
$n=1$		$1 < n < N$		$n=N$

Ex: Basis function methods

$$\hat{f}(x) = \sum_{m=1}^m \beta_m h_m(\vec{x})$$

"Spline" Models