



# Business Applications of Machine Learning

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# Roadmap





# What is Machine Learning?

DATA EXPLORATION // TYPES OF LEARNING // MODEL TRAINING AND EVALUATION

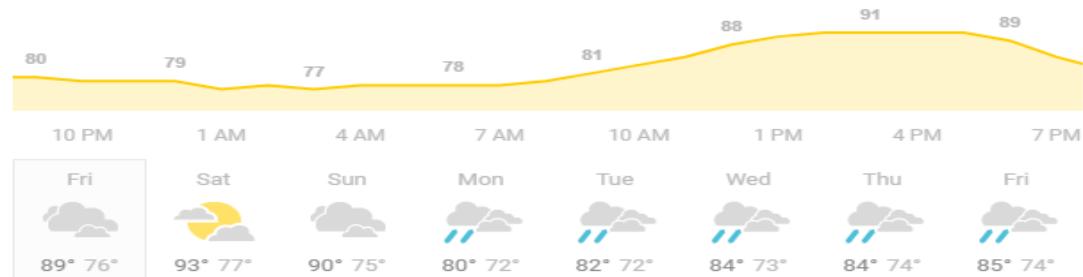


# What is machine learning?

- **Data science** technique that helps computers learn from existing data in order to **forecast** future behaviors, outcomes, and trends.

## ■ Examples

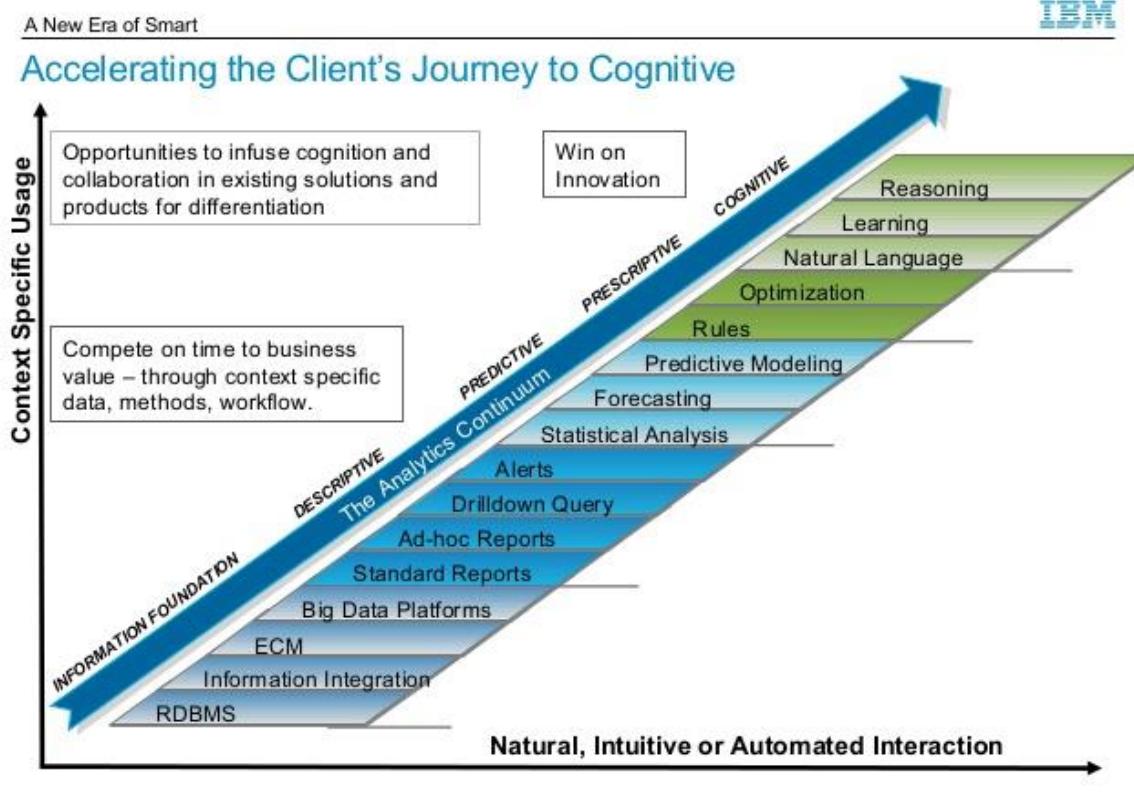
- Amazon and Netflix recommendations
- Fraud detection for credit card transactions
- Roomba deciding when a room is clean
- Self-driving cars
- Student performance predictions



The collage illustrates various machine learning applications:

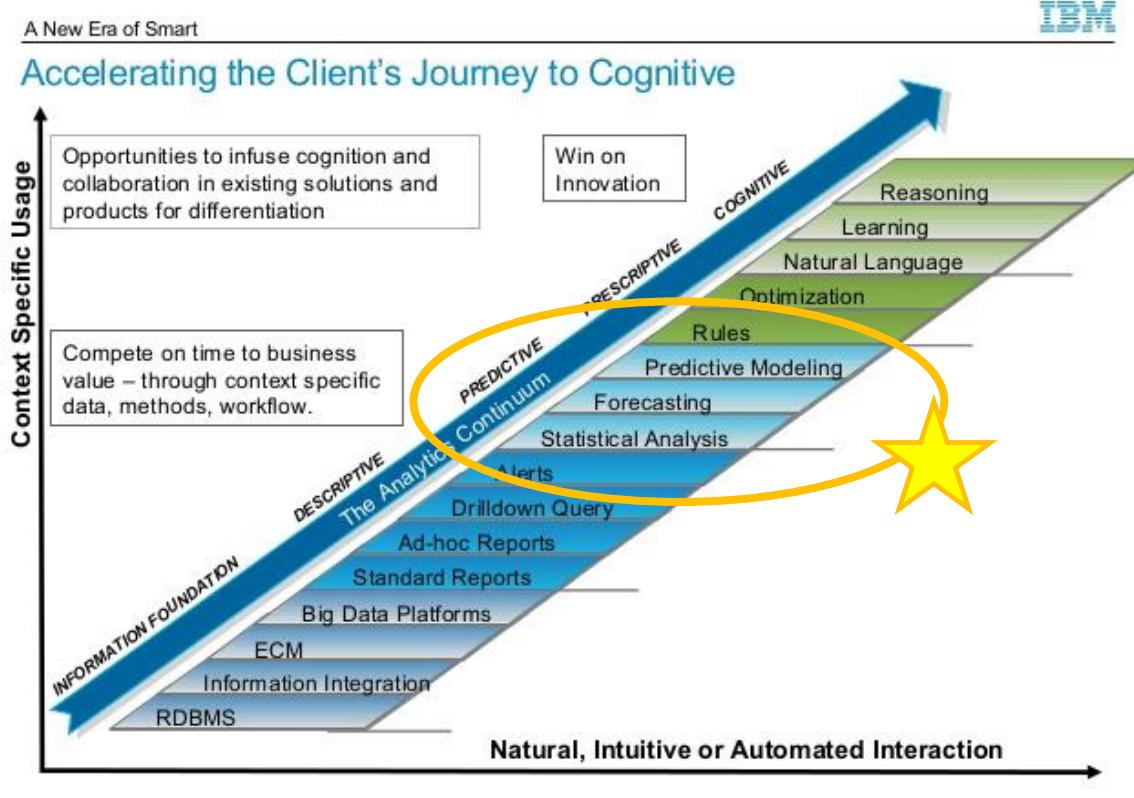
- Capital One:** An email from Capital One asking for confirmation of a recent purchase.
- Daniel Day-Lewis:** A profile page for the actor, showing a collage of his photos and a "More Images" link.
- Weather Forecast:** A weekly weather forecast showing temperature and precipitation.
- Book Recommendations:** A grid of book covers for "The Science of Harry Potter", "Database Systems", "The Physics of Superheroes", "HTML, CSS, and Dynamic HTML", "The Physics of Star Trek", and "Absolute Java".
- Business Books:** A grid of book covers for "The Lean Startup", "Sapiens", "The Phoenix Project", "The Business Model Generation", "DevOps Handbook", and "Neil deGrasse Tyson's ASTROPHYSICS for PEOPLE in PAPERBACK".
- Inspired by your shopping trends:** A grid of products including dresses, a necklace, and a book.

# Data exploration, descriptive analytics, and predictive analytics



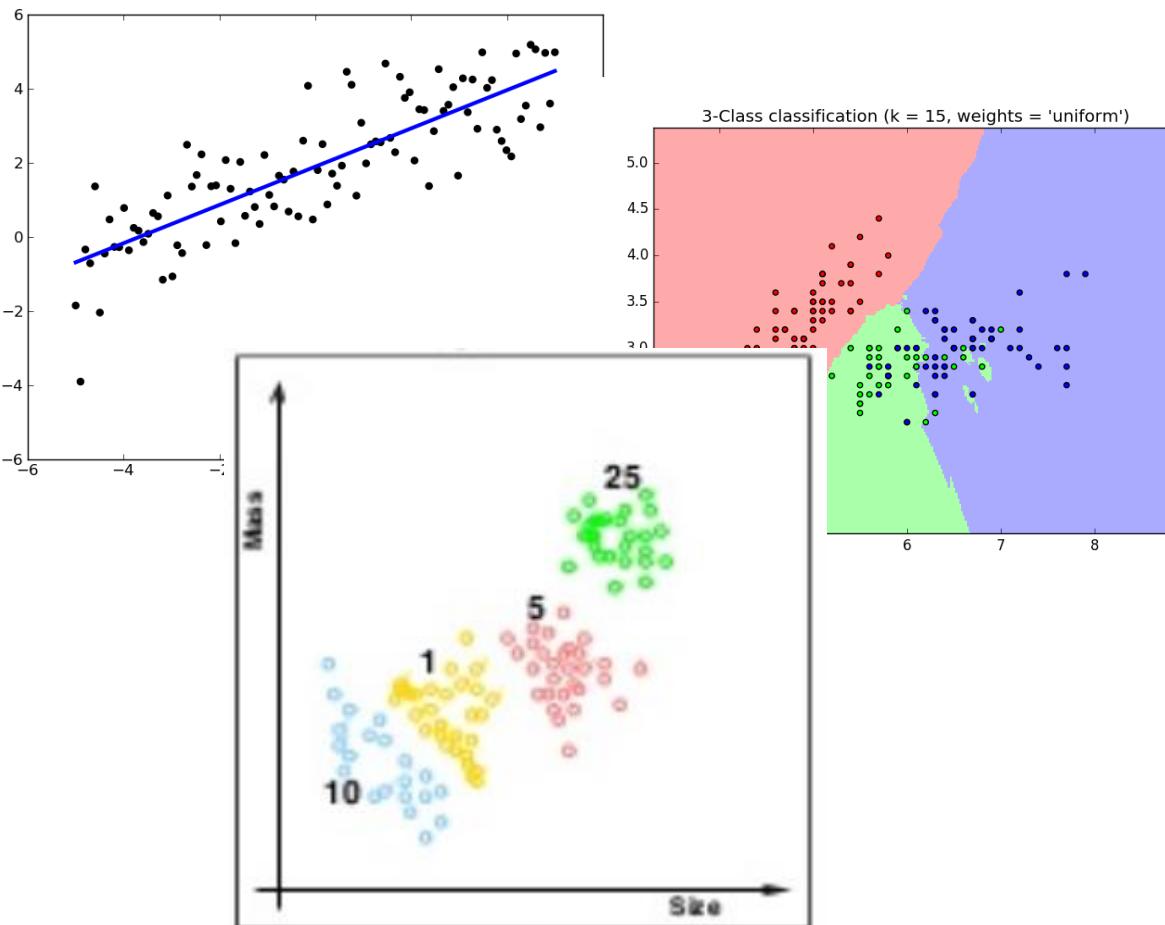
- **Data Exploration:** process of gathering information about a large and often unstructured data set in order to find characteristics for focused analysis.
- **Data Mining:** automated data exploration.
- **Descriptive Analytics:** process of analyzing a data set in order to summarize what happened.
  - Most business analytics falls into this category
  - Examples: sales reports, web metrics, social network analysis
- **Predictive Analytics:** process of building models from historical or current data in order to forecast future outcomes.

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# Supervised and Unsupervised Learning



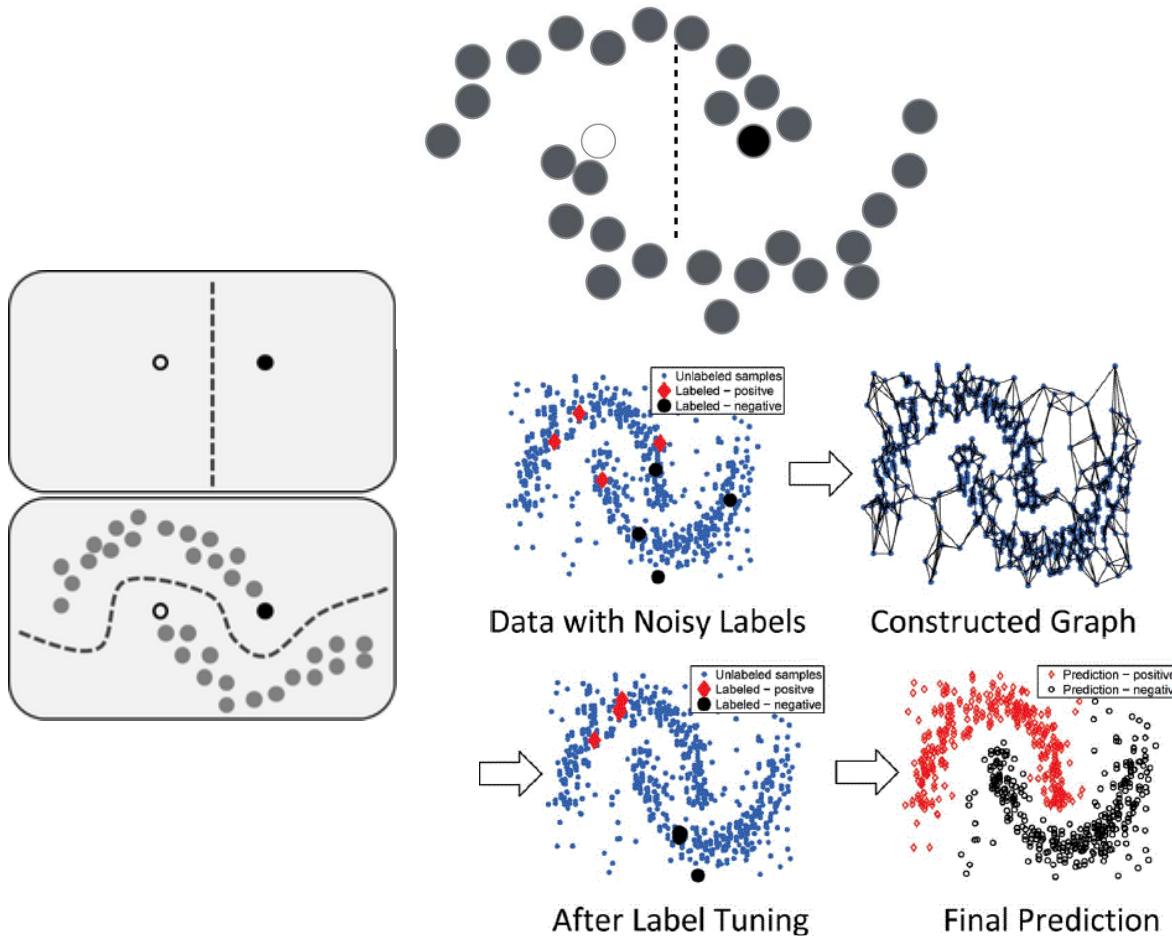
- **Supervised Learning:** algorithms are trained with labeled data.

- **Classification:** used when the output variable is a category, such as "red" / "blue" or "disease" / "no disease".
- **Regression:** often used when the output variable is a real, numeric value – like dollars, weights.

- **Unsupervised Learning:** used on data with no labels, with the goal of finding relationships in the data.

- **Clustering:** used to discover groupings in the data, such as grouping by purchasing behavior.
- **Association:** rules that describe large portions of your data, such as "people who buy X also tend to buy Y".

# Semi-Supervised Learning



- Used when you have a large amount of input data ( $X$ ) and **only some of the data is labeled** ( $Y$ ).
- Example: photo archive where only some of the images are labeled, and the majority are unlabeled.
- Many real-world machine learning problems fall into this area
  - Expensive and time-consuming* to label data
  - Unlabeled data is *cheap and easy* to collect and store
- Can also use unsupervised learning techniques to make **best-guess predictions** for the unlabeled data, then feed that data back into the supervised learning algorithm as training data.

# Model training and evaluation

- A machine learning model is an abstraction of the question you are trying to answer, or the outcome you want to predict.
- Models are trained and evaluated from existing data.
- **Training:** data used to fit the model (typically falls into the range of 70 – 90%)
- **Evaluation (Test):** data used only at the end of the model building and selection process to assess how well the final model might perform on future data
- **Holdout (Validation):** not used to fit or initially test a model, used to asses the performance of that model

▲ Split Data

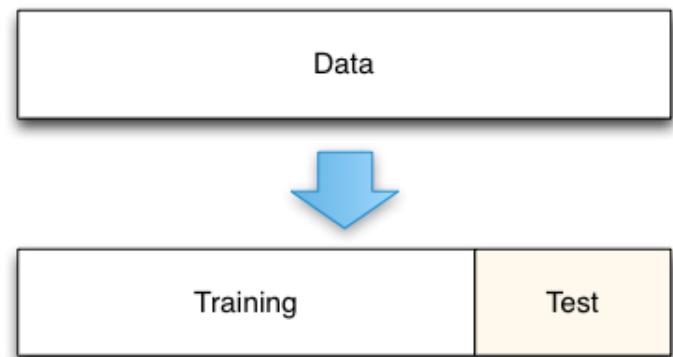
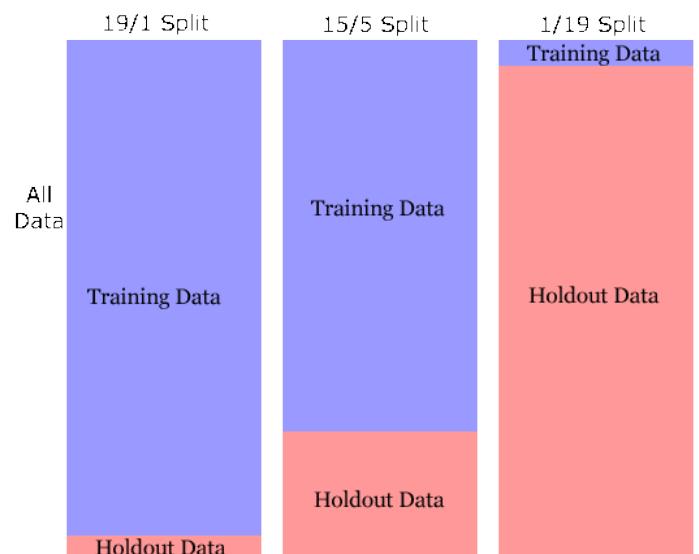
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# Additional vocabulary

- **Algorithm**: self-contained set of rules used to solve problems through data processing, math, or automated reasoning.
- **Anomaly detection**: model that flags unusual events or values and helps you discover problems.
- **Categorical data**: data that is organized by categories, and that can be divided into groups.
- **Classification**: model for organizing data points into categories based on a data set for which categorical groupings are already known.
- **Feature engineering**: process of extracting or selecting features related to a data set in order to enhance the data set and improve outcomes.
- **Model**: supervised learning model is the product of a machine learning experiment comprised of training data and an algorithm.
- **Numerical / quantitative**: data that has meaning as measurements (continuous data) or counts (discrete data).
- **Partition**: method by which you divide data into samples.
- **Prediction**: forecast of a value or values from a machine learning model.
- **Regression**: model for predicting a value based on independent variables.
- **Score**: predicted value generated from a trained classification or regression model.
- **Sample**: part of a data set intended to be representative of the whole. Can be selected randomly, or based on specific features of the data set.

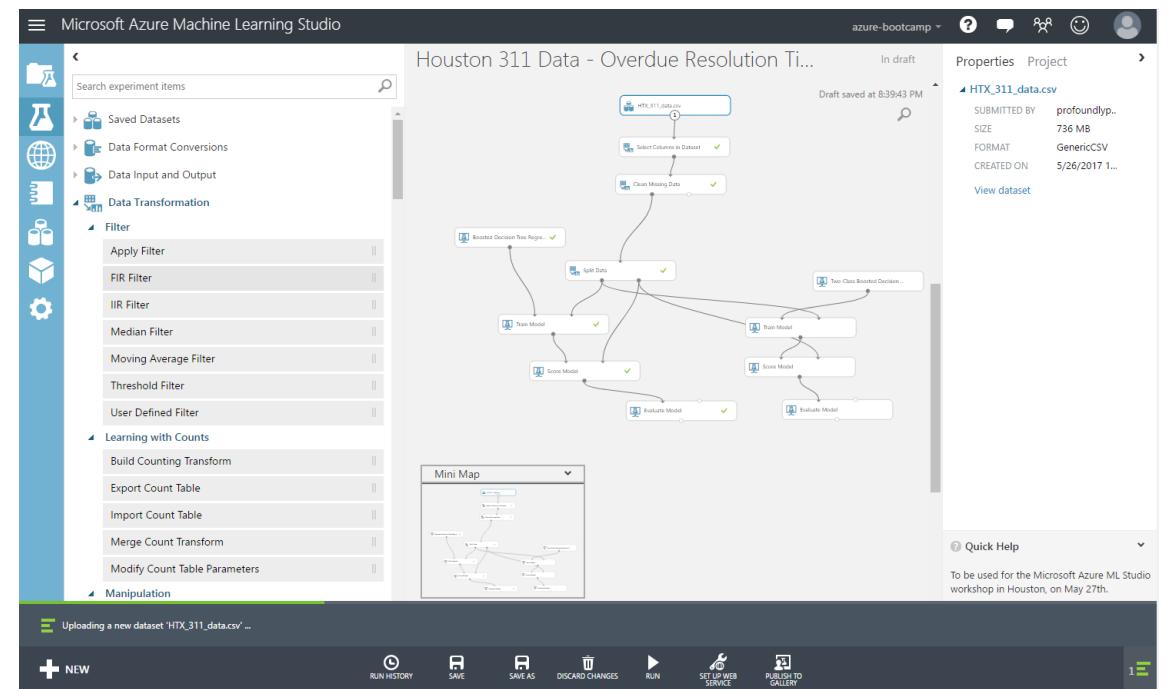


# What is Azure Machine Learning Studio?



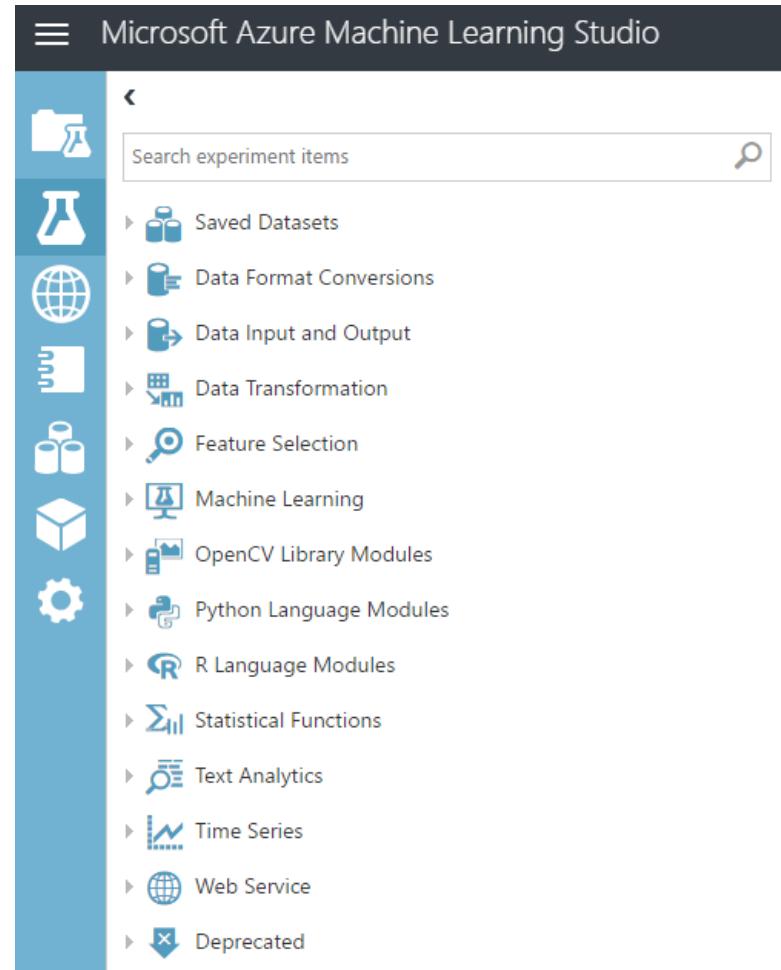
# What is Azure Machine Learning Studio?

- Collaborative, drag-and-drop tool you can use to **build, test, iterate, and deploy** predictive analytics solutions on your data
- Publishes models as **web services** that can be easily consumed by custom apps or BI tools such as Excel
- Interactive, visual workspace with a library of ready-to-use algorithms
- **No programming required**
- Why would that be useful?
  - RStudio example



# What is a module?

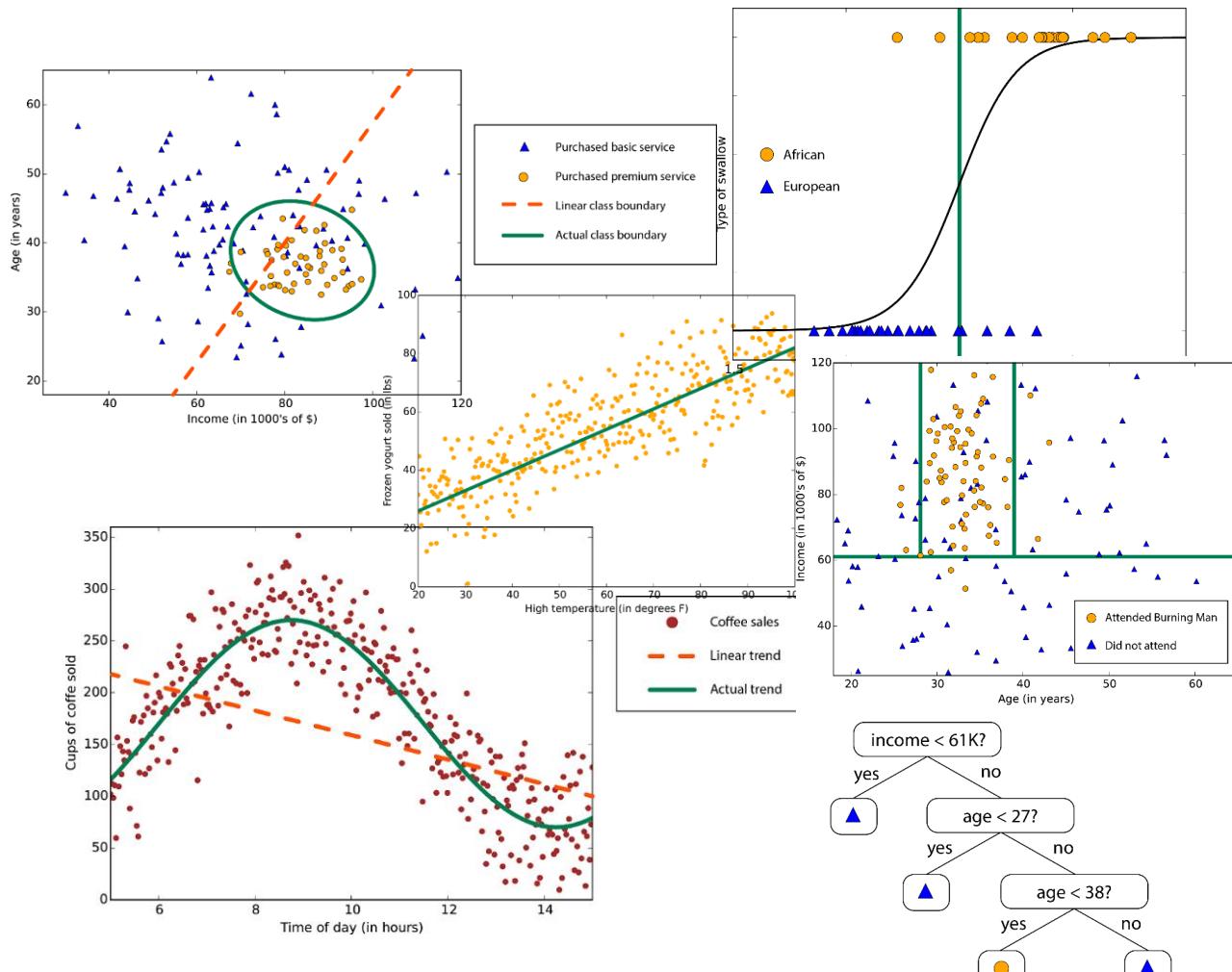
- Each **module** represents a set of code that can run independently and perform a machine learning task, given the required inputs.
- Viewable in the left-hand pane of ML Studio.
- A module may contain a particular **algorithm**, or perform a task that is important in machine learning, such as **missing value replacement** or **statistical analysis**.
- Modules in ML Studio are organized by **functionality** – and more are being added (and deprecated!) by the month.



# Modules – Machine Learning

## Typical workflow for machine learning:

- Identifying a problem to solve and a metric for measuring results
- Finding, cleaning, and preparing appropriate data
- Identifying features and engineering new features
- Building, evaluating, and tuning models
- Using models to generate predictions, recommendations, and other results
- For ML Studio, these processes fall into the broad buckets of **Initialize, Train, Score, and Evaluate.**



# Data Preprocessing – Missing Values

- **Why is this important?**

- For **missing values**, you'll either want to replace them with statistical methods or remove them from the data set completely.
  - Fill in the missing value manually (<10%)
  - Use a global constant (example: NA)
  - Attribute mean or most probable value
- For **noisy data** (incorrect values), you'll want to identify those outliers and smooth out.
  - Binning
  - Regression
  - Clustering

Less Data

Higher  
Accuracy

Simplify  
Results

Fewer  
Attributes



# Machine Learning in the Wild

INITIALIZE // TRAIN // SCORE // EVALUATE

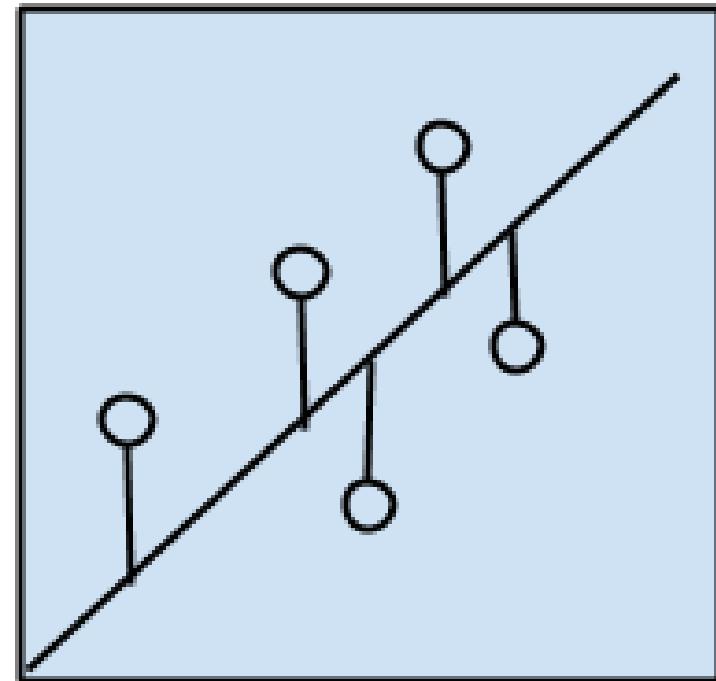


# How do companies leverage machine learning?

- **Over the next 5- 10 years, the biggest business gains will likely stem from getting the right information to the right people at the right time.**
- Machine learning turbocharges finding patterns and **automates value extraction**.
  - Better allocation and distribution of resources
  - Data-driven, real-time economy
  - On-demand production of goods and services
  - Lower failure rates
  - Better predictability

# Regression

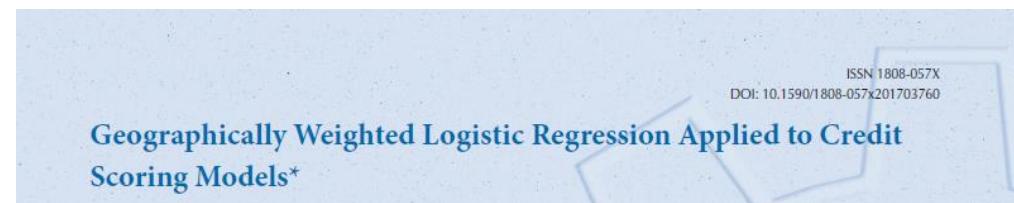
- Concerned with modeling the relationship between variables that is iteratively refined using a measures of error in the predictions made by the model.
- **Most popular regression algorithms:**
  - Ordinary Least Squares
  - Linear Regression
  - Logistic Regression
  - Stepwise Regression
  - Multivariate Adaptive Regression Splines (MARS)
  - Locally Estimated Scatterplot Smoothing (LOESS)



Regression Algorithms

# Regression - Examples

- How does the number of hours spent studying for an exam impact the probability that a student will pass?
- How can you predict financial losses for your credit card loaning business?
- How often should traffic signs be maintained?
- How can you predict the number of widgets produced in a factory, or the stock that you should keep in your facility?



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**Geographically Weighted Logistic Regression Applied to Credit Scoring Models\***

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**An algorithm based on logistic regression with data fusion in wireless sensor networks**

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**PREDICTING STATE OF TRAFFIC SIGNS USING LOGISTIC REGRESSION**

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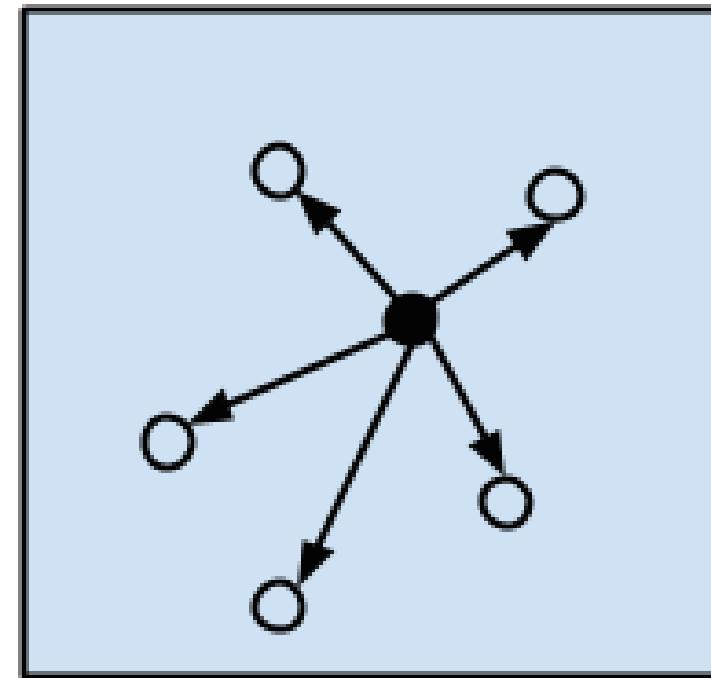
**Abstract:** Traffic signs as part of the overall traffic signalization system convey a message to road users using shapes, colours, text and symbols. They inform road users about regulations, warnings, directions, and guidance in traffic systems, in order to ensure safe traffic flow. In conditions of low visibility drivers receive less visual information in traffic which makes the perception of the surroundings, and thus the driving, significantly more difficult. In order to overcome the mentioned problems traffic signs must have satisfactory retroreflection properties and be properly positioned and maintained. Given the number of traffic signs on the roads, it is necessary to optimize their maintenance activities. The aim of this study is to develop a model for predicting the state of traffic signs regarding their retroreflective values based on their age. The study included 21,467 traffic signs on 30 state roads throughout the Republic of Croatia. Linear models for predicting state of signs were developed using binary logistic regression for each class of retroreflective material. Even though the models very accurately predict when the signs meet minimal prescribed retroreflection values for all the three classes of retroreflective material, they have certain downsides when predicting when the signs are not valid, i.e. do not meet minimal prescribed retroreflection values. Although

**Keywords:** credit risk, geographically weighted logistic regression, logistic regression, traffic signs



# Instance-based

- Decision problem with instances or examples of training data that are deemed important or required to the model.
- Typically build up a database of example data, and then compare new data to that database.
- **Most popular instance-based algorithms:**
  - K-Nearest Neighbor (kNN)
  - Learning Vector Quantization (LVQ)
  - Self-Organizing Map (SOM)
  - Locally Weighted Learning (LWL)



Instance-based  
Algorithms

# Instance-based - Examples

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- How can you detect handwritten characters?
- How can you detect which cells are potentially cancerous, and which are benign?
- How can your virtual reality headset detect which movements indicate hand gestures?
- How can you identify plant species based on shape, texture, and margin of the leaves?

## Combination of Relief Feature Selection and Fuzzy K-Nearest Neighbor for Plant Species Identification

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## HAND GESTURE RECOGNITION USING ADAPTIVE NETWORK BASED FUZZY INFERENCE SYSTEM AND K-NEAREST NEIGHBOR

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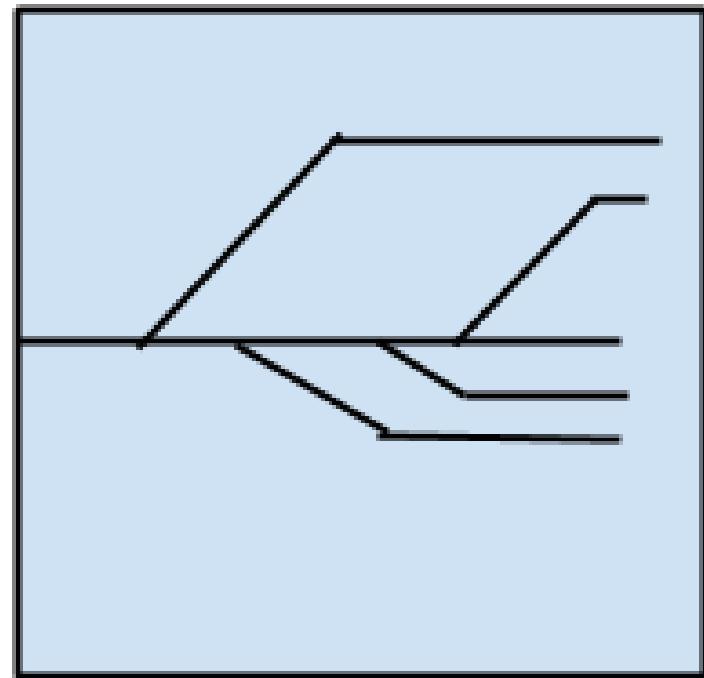
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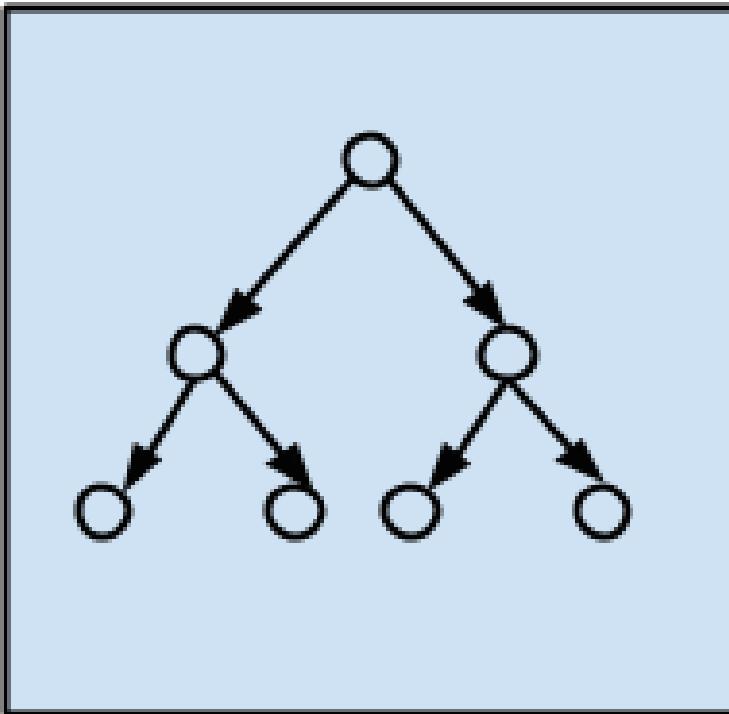
- Extension made to another method (typically regression methods) that penalizes models based on their complexity, favoring simpler models that are more generalizable.
- **Most popular regularization algorithms:**
  - Ridge Regression
  - Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator (LASSO)
  - Elastic Net
  - Least-Angle Regression (LARS)



Regularization  
Algorithms

# Decision Trees

- Construct a model of decisions based on actual values of attributes in the data.
- Decisions fork in tree structures until a prediction decision is made for a given record. Decision trees are trained on data for classification and regression problems.
- **Most popular decision tree algorithms:**
  - Classification and Regression Tree (CART)
  - Iterative Dichotomiser 3 (ID3)
  - C4.5 and C5.0 (different versions of a powerful approach)
  - Chi-squared Automatic Interaction Detection (CHAID)
  - Decision Stump
  - M5
  - Conditional Decision Trees



Decision Tree  
Algorithms

# Decision Trees - Examples

- Used primarily for models that will be implemented by human beings, and are potentially susceptible to legal ramifications
- Based on a potential customer's characteristics, should our company give them a loan?
- Based on a patient's symptoms, how should they be diagnosed?
- Based on time of day, day of month, season, and temperature, should we expect to see a surge in Texas electricity prices in Houston?
- Based on observed criteria, is it likely that a mushroom is poisonous?

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## A decision tree logic based recommendation system to select software fault prediction techniques

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## A DECISION TREE IN A CLASSIFICATION OF FIRE HAZARD FACTORS

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**Abstract** Identifying a reliable fault prediction technique for building effective fault prediction model. It has been found that selection of fault prediction techniques is highly dependent on the characteristics of the system. To mitigate this issue, researchers have evaluated and compared different fault prediction techniques by varying the context in terms of domain of input data, complexity, etc. However, the lack of guidelines makes it difficult to select fault prediction technique for a particular application. In this paper, we present a recommendation system that facilitates the selection of appropriate fault prediction technique(s) to build fault prediction model. First,

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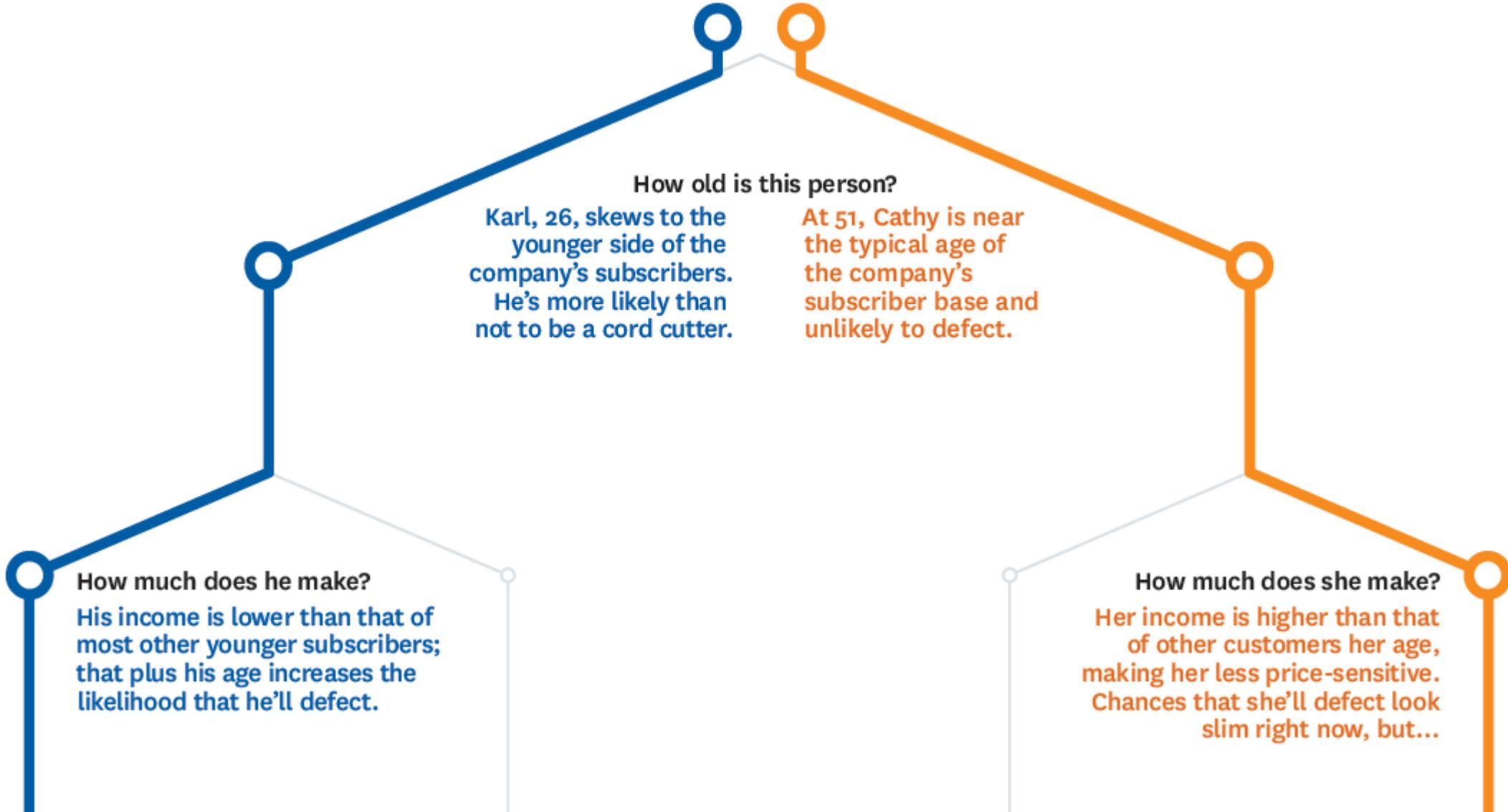
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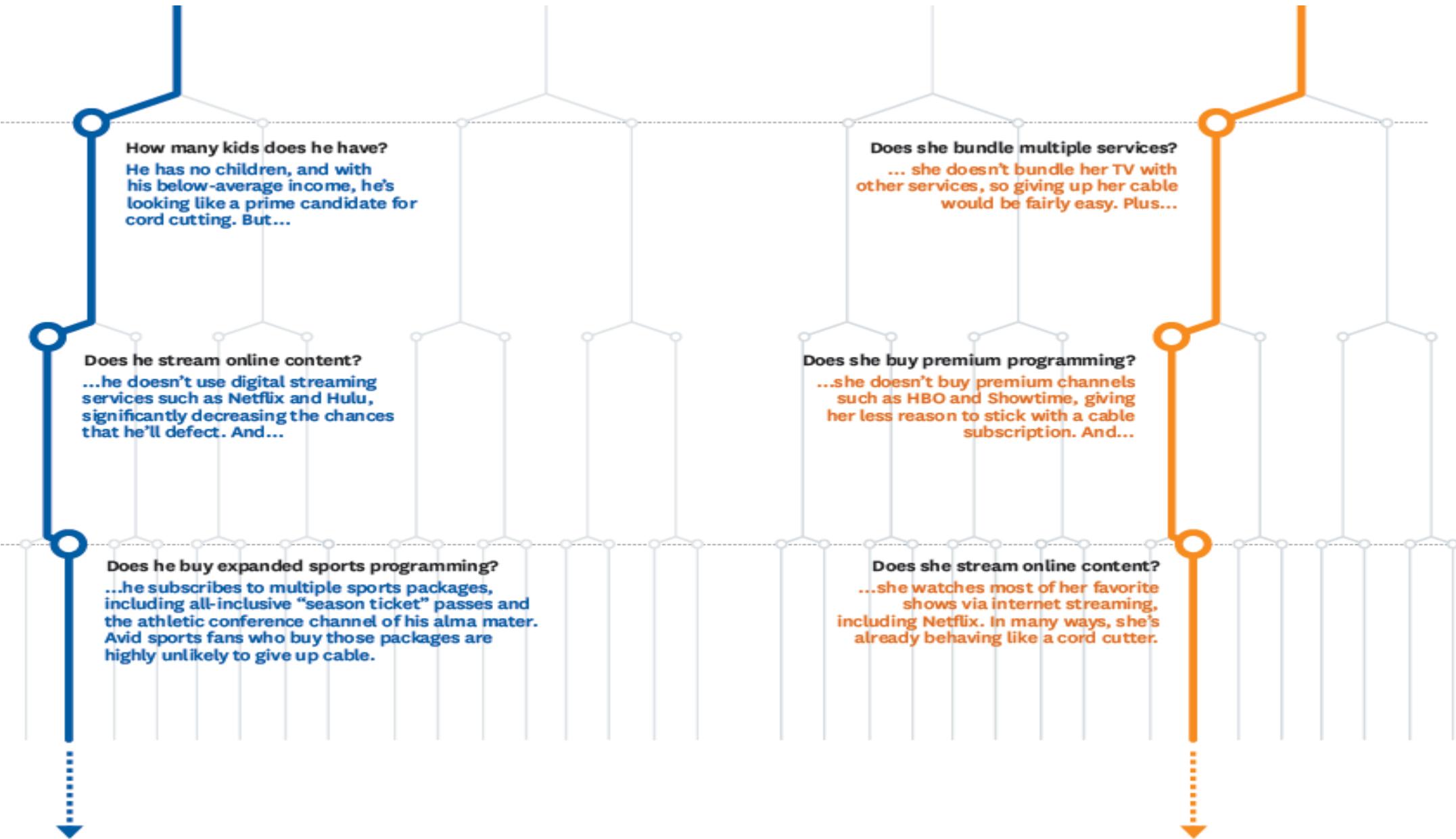
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KARL CATHY





## KARL IS NOT LIKELY

to cut the cord in the near future.

He's something of an outlier. Although he has demographic indicators typical of a cord cutter, the company can feel confident that he isn't a likely flight risk.

Why? Karl's avoidance of streaming services is a factor, but the most important one is his sports channel subscriptions. The nature of athletic programming—it's usually broadcast live and via regional networks—means that it's difficult to replicate online. And the company's statistical models show that sports enthusiasts tend to be cable loyalists.

## CATHY IS LIKELY

to cut the cord in the near future.

Although she's older and more well-off than the typical cord cutter, she's relatively tech-savvy. Unlike Karl, Cathy already gets her favorite programming from a noncable source, and there's no compelling reason for her not to cut the cord.

The cable company should include her in its planned promotion to try to keep her as a happy customer.

### BUILD A MODEL

To learn, the machine must access rich customer data: demographics, purchasing behavior, other services customers pay for, whether they've called to complain or cancel a service, and much more. Using these variables, data scientists build a statistical model that determines how predictive each variable is in terms of the answer the machine is trying to learn.

### ACCUMULATE ANSWERS

For each question, the probability is refined in one direction or the other on the basis of answers up to that point. The machine looks for combinations of attributes that create a high level of certainty about the answer it's seeking.

### MAKE A DECISION

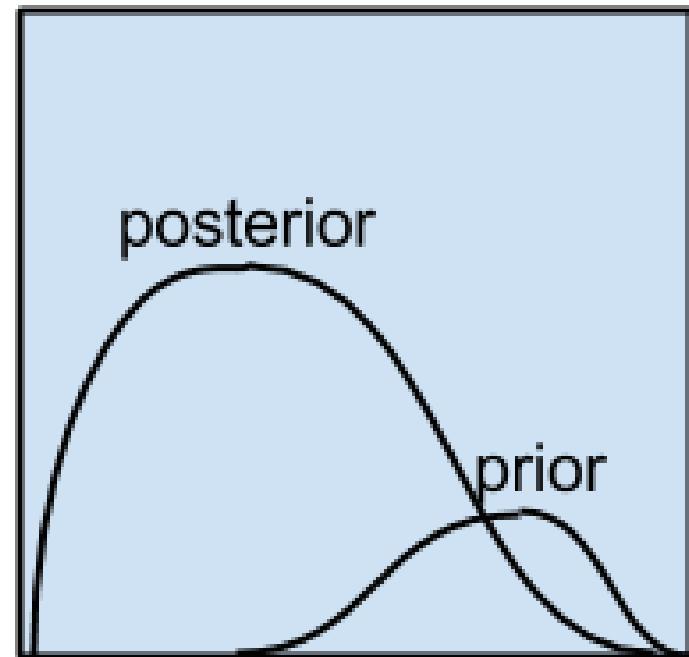
Eventually, the probability is heavily weighted one way or the other. That may come after just a few questions or dozens of them. The data scientists decide how confident they want the machine to be in its answer. They may say that once it's 95% confident, it can stop.

### ITERATE

Now the computer can carry out the same evaluation thousands or even millions of times on other entries in its data set, confidently sorting each entry into group A or group B. It has learned.

# Bayesian

- Used for methods that explicitly apply Bayes' Theorem for problems such as classification and regression.
- Most popular Bayesian algorithms:
  - Naive Bayes
  - Gaussian Naive Bayes
  - Multinomial Naive Bayes
  - Averaged One-Dependence Estimators (AODE)
  - Bayesian Belief Network (BBN)
  - Bayesian Network (BN)



Bayesian Algorithms

# Bayesian - Examples

- How can you predict customer churn?
- How can you predict whether a customer will purchase a product, based on desired functionality and requirements?
- How can you classify Twitter sentiment analysis?
- How can you predict which email messages are spam, and which are legitimate?
- How can you detect anomalous credit card transactions?

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## Profit optimizing customer churn prediction with Bayesian network classifiers

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A Naïve Bayes approach to map customer requirements to product variants

Yue Wang · Mitchell M. Tseng

**Abstract.** Customer churn

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**Abstract** A company develops product positioning strategy to make each product cover certain market segmentation and meet a group of customers' requirements. In this sense, customer requirements can be mapped to a product variant. This paper addresses the issue of mapping customer requirements to existing product offerings. We treat the mapping task as a classification problem. Product variants are used as the class label for customer requirements. Considering that customer requirements are usually expressed in

has been recognized that the success of product relies on better understanding of the voice of the customer and on better links between the needs of the customers and company's offering (Salvador and Forza 2004; Chen et al. 2009).

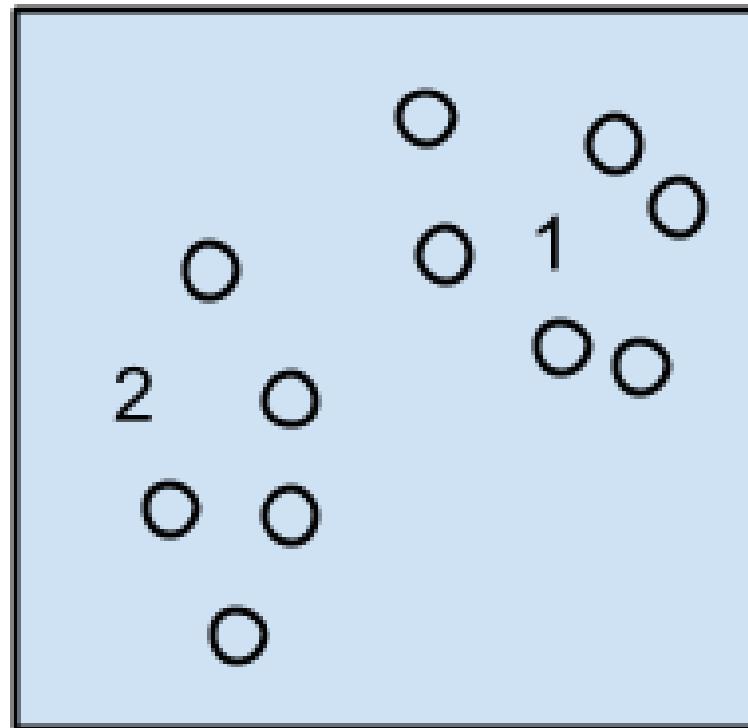
However, integrating customer requirements into design is a challenging task. Customer requirements are usually expressed in ambiguous language and not in the form of well-defined specifications to attributes and components. In cases that customers are not familiar with the domain knowl-

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# Clustering

- “Clustering” describes the class of problems and the class of methods.
- Typically organized by the modeling approaches used (e.g., centroid-based and hierarchical). Concerned with using the inherent structures in the data to best organize the groups of maximum commonality.
- **Most popular clustering algorithms:**
  - K-Means
  - K-Medians
  - Expectation Maximization (EM)
  - Hierarchical Clustering



Clustering Algorithms

# Clustering - Examples

- How can you predict the path of a cyclone?
- Given a list of characteristics, how can you determine which customers fall into which segments (jocks, nerds, weirdos, princesses)?
- How can you determine which health insurance claims are fraudulent and which are legitimate?
- Given a customer's viewing history, how can you predict the next film they should watch?

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## K-MEANS CLUSTERING FOR CLASSIFICATION OF THE NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC TROPICAL CYCLONE TRACKS

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## DEVELOPMENT OF IMPROVED K-MEANS CLUSTERING TO PARTITION HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIMS

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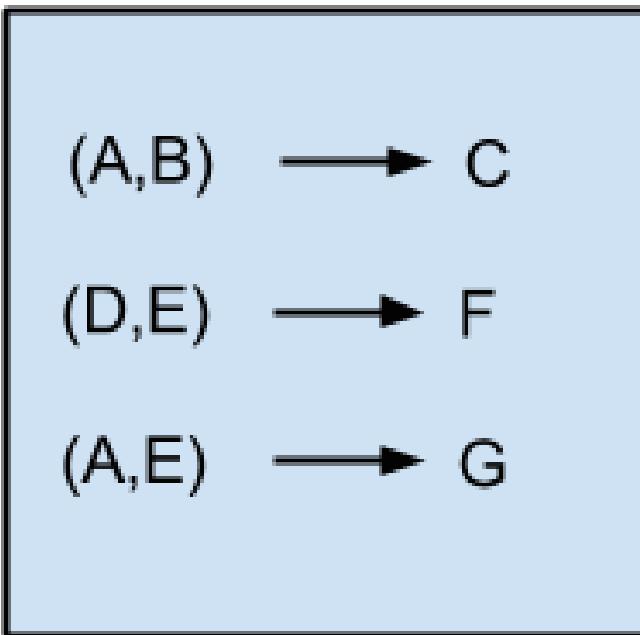
**ABSTRACT:** Healthcare insurance, delivered via the National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) is a veritable tool for making quality healthcare available to the majority of Nigerian citizens, irrespective of income status. Segmentation of dataset comprising of several features is a drawback of many applications. K-

healthcare services or products without the need to pay for such services and products at the point of care [Car11].

The health insurance industry has historically been a growing industry. The role of the industry in the economic and social life of any country is so crucial

# Association Rule Learning

- Extract rules that best explain observed relationships between variables and data.
- Can discover commercially useful associations in large, multi-dimensional datasets.
- **Most popular association rule learning algorithms:**
  - Apriori algorithm
  - Eclat algorithm



Association Rule  
Learning Algorithms

# Association Rule Learning - Examples

- How can you predict if a customer will buy a product, given their purchase history?
- How can you forecast which startups will be successful?
- How can you forecast whether a company will buy or sell stocks or commodities?
- Which courses should a student take, based on their transcript history?

3. Application of an improved **Apriori algorithm** in a mobile e-commerce recommendation system.  
By: Guo, Yan; Wang, Minxi; Li, Xin. Industrial Management & Data Systems. 2017, Vol. 117 Issue 2, p287-303. 17p. DOI: 10.1108/IMDS-03-2016-0094. , Database: Business Source Complete  
Subjects: Electronic commerce; Data mining; Recommender systems (Information filtering); Taobao.com Inc.; Electronic shopping and mail-order houses; Electronic Shopping; Apriori algorithm



Full Text Finder



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## Model using Improved Apriori Algorithm to generate Association Rules for Future Contracts of Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX)

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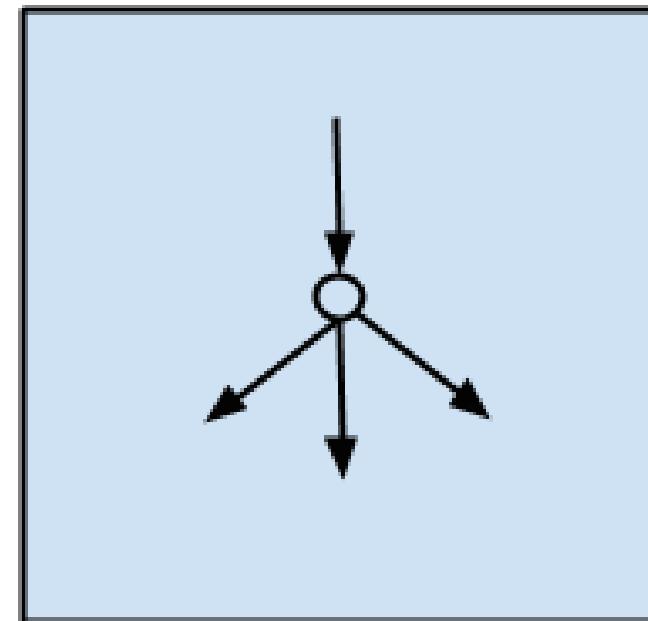
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*Abstract:* Now-a-days commodity markets are getting equal importance as equity market. Moreover, just like stock trend prediction, researchers are taking active interest in forecasting commodity trend. Trend prediction is really a challenging task especially for commodity market. There are so many factors, which affects commodity market returns. This empirical study generates association rules form the data of Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX) of India from November 2003 to December 2016. Data contains End of Day (EOD) prices of each commodity future contract. We have developed a model to analyze MCX data and derive association rules. Using our model, we have found co-movement between fundamentally different commodity future contracts. In our model, we have used improved apriori algorithm. Our result portrays that the contracts of fundamentally different commodities are correlated even if they neither substitutes nor complements each other.

# Artificial Neural Network (ANN)

- Inspired by the structure and function of biological neural networks.
- Commonly used for regression and classification problems, but are an enormous subfield.
- **Most popular artificial neural network algorithms:**
  - Perceptron
  - Back-Propagation
  - Hopfield Network
  - Radial Basis Functional Network



Artificial Neural Network  
Algorithms

# Artificial Neural Network (ANN) - Examples

19<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computer and Information Technology, December 18-20, 2016, North South University, Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Early detection of lung cancer based on images
- How long can we anticipate satellites to last in space, or equipment in an industrial setting?
- How can we detect traffic signs and determine their meanings?
- How can we use image sensor data to detect hazardous gases?

## Traffic Sign Recognition Using Hybrid Features Descriptor and Artificial Neural Network Classifier

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*Abstract—Traffic sign recognition is a significant computer vision problem. Traffic signs assist drivers to follow traffic rules. This paper proposes a hybrid features descriptor named Histogram Speeded Up Robust Feature (HSURF) network (ANN) for traffic sign recognition. The proposed system shows interest (sign area) using histogram algorithm, post processing to extract robust features via SURF descriptor and segmented blob into segmented blob into ANN classifier using HSURF descriptor. Finally the recognition accuracy of the proposed ANN classifier using HSURF descriptor is 95.5%. The proposed system shows a high classification performance of 95.5% using entropy, confusion matrix and ROC curves. The proposed ANN classifier is compared with SURF descriptor based classifier such as Random Forest, Trees, Ensembles and KNN classifier. The simulation results show that the feature descriptor recognition accuracy of the proposed ANN classifier is better than the other classifiers.*

8th International Conference on Modelling, Identification and Control (ICMIC-2016)  
Algiers, Algeria- November 15-17, 2016

## Artificial neural network modelling of a gas sensor for liquefied petroleum gas detection

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## A Comparison Between Extreme Learning Machine and Artificial Neural Network for Remaining Useful Life Prediction

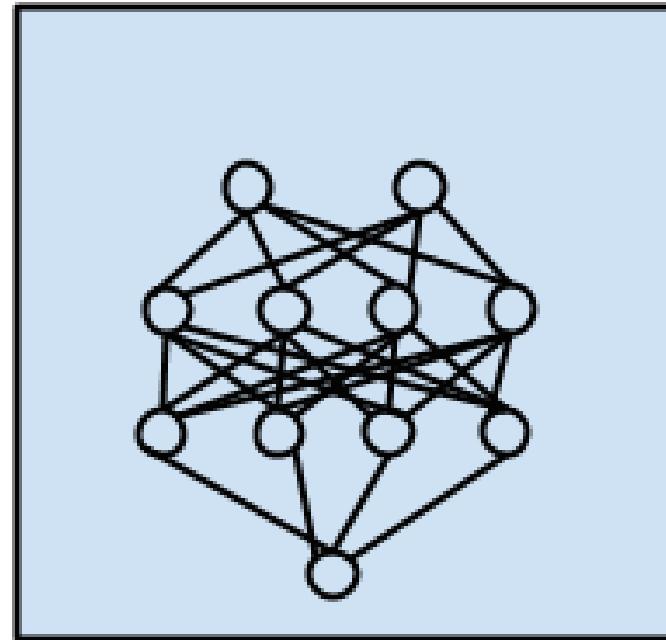
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# Deep Learning

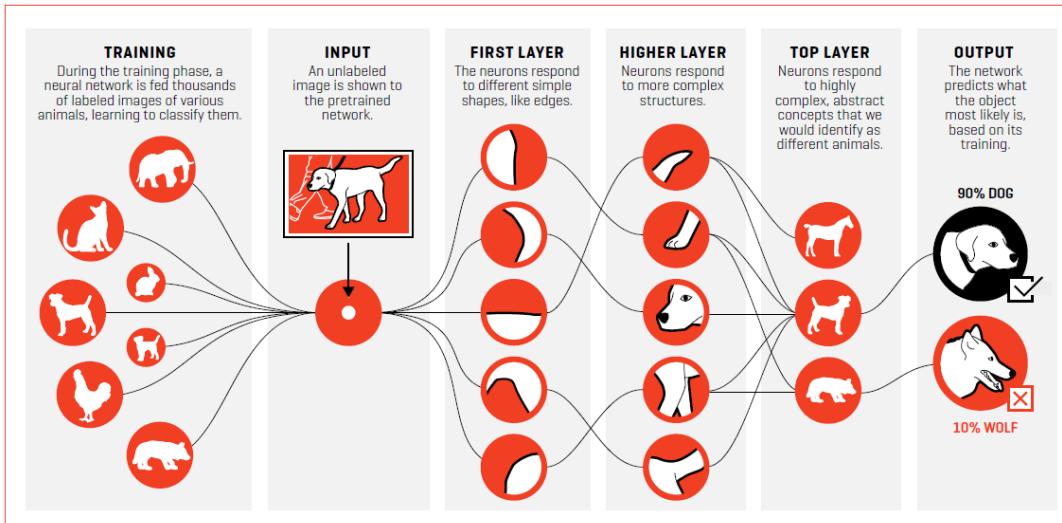
- Modern update to Artificial Neural Networks that exploit abundant cheap computation.
- Build larger and more complex neural networks; focused on semi-supervised learning with very little labeled data.
- **Most popular deep learning algorithms:**
  - Deep Boltzmann Machine (DBM)
  - Deep Belief Networks (DBN)
  - Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)
  - Stacked Auto-Encoders



Deep Learning  
Algorithms

# Deep Learning - Examples

- Given a large corpus of images, how can you determine which are wolves and which are dogs?
- How can self-driving cars detect (and hopefully avoid!) pedestrians?
- Speech recognition, translation, photo searches, self-driving cars and self-flying drones...



## ■ GOOGLE

**GOOGLE LAUNCHED** the deep-learning-focused Google Brain project in 2011, introduced neural nets into its speech-recognition products in mid-2012, and retained neural nets pioneer Geoffrey Hinton in March 2013. It now has more than 1,000 deep-learning projects underway, it says, extending across search, Android, Gmail, photo, maps, translate, YouTube, and self-driving cars. In 2014 it bought DeepMind, whose deep reinforcement learning project, AlphaGo, defeated the world's go champion, Lee Sedol [above], in March, achieving an artificial intelligence landmark.

## ■ MICROSOFT

**MICROSOFT INTRODUCED** deep learning into its commercial speech-recognition products, including Bing voice search and X-Box voice commands, during the first half of 2011. The company now uses neural nets for its search rankings, photo search, translation systems, and more. "It's hard to convey the pervasive impact this has had," says Lee. Last year it won the key image-recognition contest, and in September it scored a record low error rate on a speech-recognition benchmark: 6.3%.

## ■ FACEBOOK

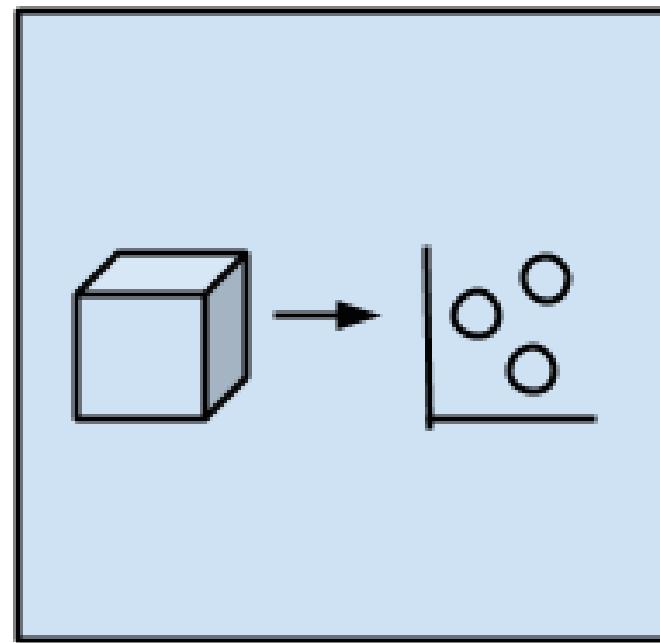
**IN DECEMBER 2013**, Facebook hired French neural nets innovator Yann LeCun to direct its new AI research lab. Facebook uses neural nets to translate about 2 billion user posts per day in more than 40 languages, and says its translations are seen by 800 million users a day. (About half its community does not speak English.) Facebook also uses neural nets for photo search and photo organization, and it's working on a feature that would generate spoken captions for untagged photos that could be used by the visually impaired.

## ■ BAIDU

**IN MAY 2014**, Baidu hired Andrew Ng, who had earlier helped launch and lead the Google Brain project, to lead its research lab. China's leading search and web services site, Baidu uses neural nets for speech recognition, translation, photo search, and a self-driving car project, among others. Speech recognition is key in China, a mobile-first society whose main language, Mandarin, is difficult to type into a device. The number of customers interfacing by speech has tripled in the past 18 months, Baidu says.

# Dimensionality Reduction

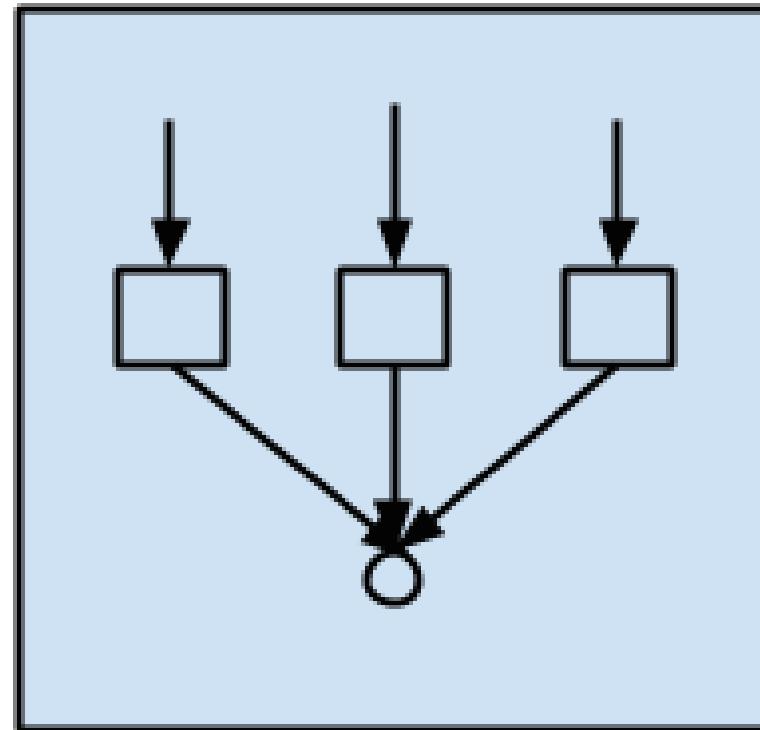
- Similar to clustering
- Seek and exploit the inherent structures in the data, but are focused on summarizing or describing data using less information
- **Most popular dimensionality reduction algorithms:**
  - Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
  - Principal Component Regression (PCR)
  - Partial Least Squares Regression (PLSR)
  - Sammon Mapping
  - Multidimensional Scaling (MDS)
  - Projection Pursuit
  - Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)
  - Mixture Discriminant Analysis (MDA)
  - Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA)
  - Flexible Discriminant Analysis (FDA)



Dimensional Reduction  
Algorithms

# Ensemble Methods

- Take multiple weak models that are independently trained and combine them to make an overall prediction.
- **Most popular ensemble algorithms:**
  - Boosting
  - Bootstrapped Aggregation (Bagging)
  - AdaBoost
  - Stacked Generalization (blending)
  - Gradient Boosting Machines (GBM)
  - Gradient Boosted Regression Trees (GBRT)
  - Random Forest



Ensemble Algorithms

# Ensemble Methods - Examples

- In remote sensing (satellite imagery) how can you detect which pixels are related to forests, which are related to streets, which are related to buildings?
- Given embedded sensor data in a smart phone or a Fitbit, how can you predict the activity of an end user?
- Given completions data and production of a well, how can you optimize parameters of interest (proppants, fluids, numbers of stages and cluster spacing, etc.)?



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## Spatial Classification and Prediction in Hyperspectral Remote Sensing Data using Random Forest by Tuning Parameters

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*Abstract:* Over the past decades hyperspectral remote sensing data have been emerging in identifying the geographical patterns and predicting its behaviour. A surfaces. The number of b spectral banc of the best ti paper is to g quantile fore variable imp high accurac



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## Human Activity Recognition from Sensor data using Random Forest Algorithm

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*Abstract:* The advancement of technologies have facilitated the monitoring of human activities through the embedded sensors in a smartphone. Since the smartphone is very common with the public, it has paved way for the researchers to work on activity recognition systems. In this work, we propose a system to recognize the basic activities of an individual. For this publicly available dataset was used. The data collected from the sensors are used to predict the activities. The proposed system obtained the highest accuracy of 99.6%. This system is implemented on R programming using Random Forest algorithm.

**Keywords:** Human Activity Recognition, Sensor, Random Forest

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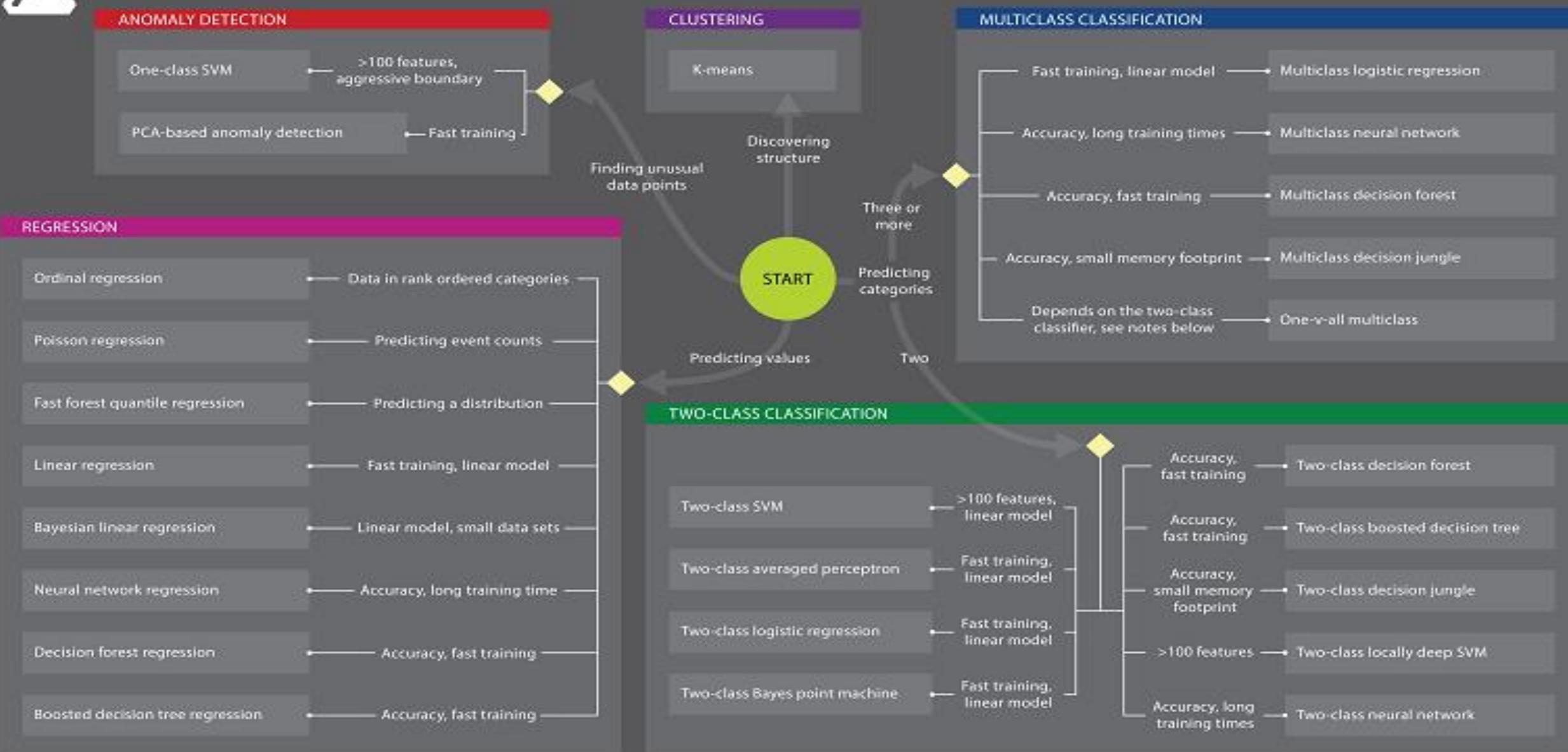


# How should I choose?



# Microsoft Azure Machine Learning: Algorithm Cheat Sheet

This cheat sheet helps you choose the best Azure Machine Learning Studio algorithm for your predictive analytics solution. Your decision is driven by both the nature of your data and the question you're trying to answer.



# Anomaly Detection

## ■ Examples

- Identifying transactions that are potentially fraudulent
- Learning patterns that indicate a network intrusion has occurred
- Finding abnormal clusters of patients
- Checking values input to a system

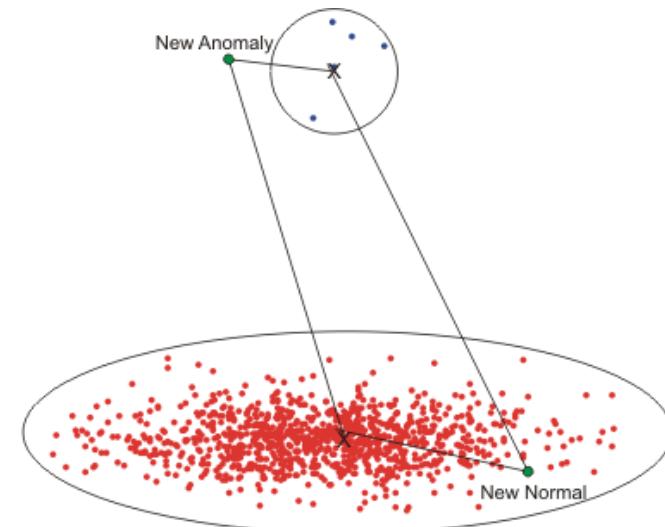
■ **One-Class Support Vector Machine:** creates a one-class support vector machine model for anomaly detection.

■ **PCA-Based Anomaly Detection:** creates an anomaly detection model using Principal Component Analysis.

## ■ Anomaly Detection

[One-Class Support Vector Machine](#)

[PCA-Based Anomaly Detection](#)



# Classification

- Predicts class or category for a single instance of data.
- **Example:** email filters use binary classification to determine if an email is spam.
- **Two forms of classification tasks:**
  - **Binary Classification:** predict one of two outcomes
  - **Multiclass Classification:** predict one of many outcomes
- Output of a classification algorithm is called a **classifier**, which can be used to predict the label of a new (unlabeled) instance.

## Classification

Multiclass Decision Forest

Multiclass Decision Jungle

Multiclass Logistic Regression

Multiclass Neural Network

One-vs-All Multiclass

Two-Class Averaged Perceptron

Two-Class Bayes Point Machine

Two-Class Boosted Decision Tree

Two-Class Decision Forest

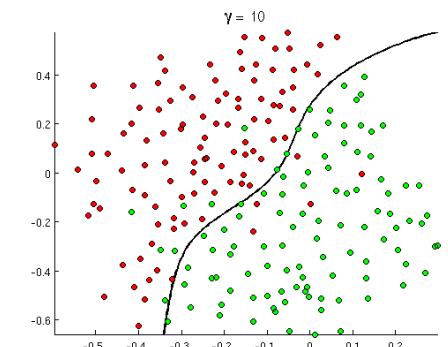
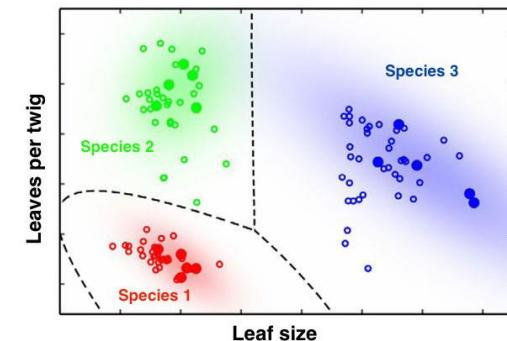
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Two-Class Locally-Deep Support Vector Machine

Two-Class Logistic Regression

Two-Class Neural Network

Two-Class Support Vector Machine

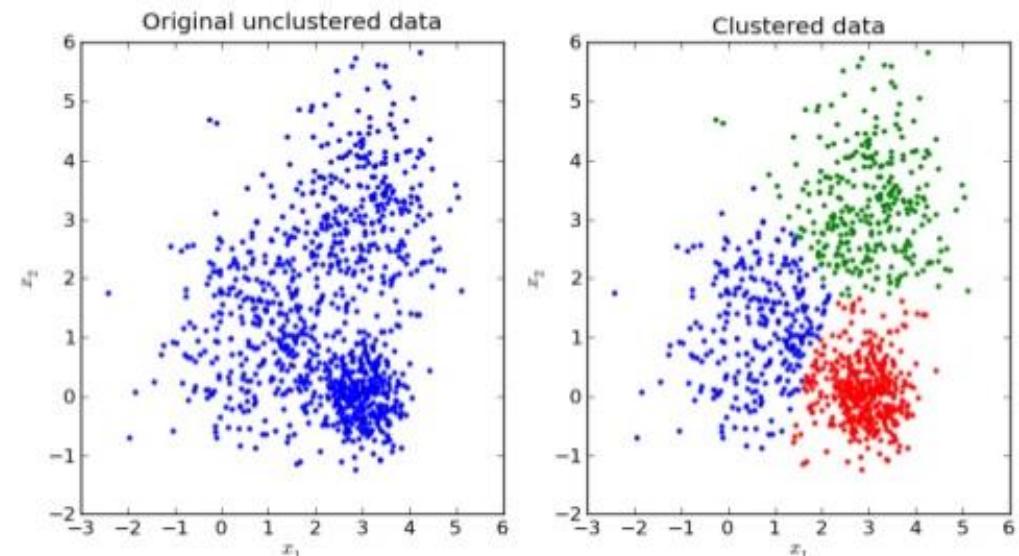


# Clustering

- Algorithms that learn to group a set of items together based on a set of features.
- Often used in analysis to group pieces of text that contain common words together.
- Can be used to group unlabeled data by figuring out which data points are closest together, and then determining the centroid (or central point) of each grouping.
- Once the algorithm has been trained, it can be used to predict which cluster an instance of data belongs to.
- **K-Means Clustering**: configures and initializes a k-means clustering model.

## Clustering

### K-Means Clustering



<http://pypr.sourceforge.net/kmeans.html>

# Regression

- Learns to predict the value of a real function for a single instance of data.
- Can incorporate input from multiple features, by determining the contribution of each feature of the data to the regression function.

## Modules

- Bayesian Linear Regression
- Boosted Decision Tree Regression
- Decision Forest Regression
- Fast Forest Quantile Regression
- Linear Regression
- Neural Network Regression
- Ordinal Regression
- Poisson Regression

### Regression

Bayesian Linear Regression

Boosted Decision Tree Regression

Decision Forest Regression

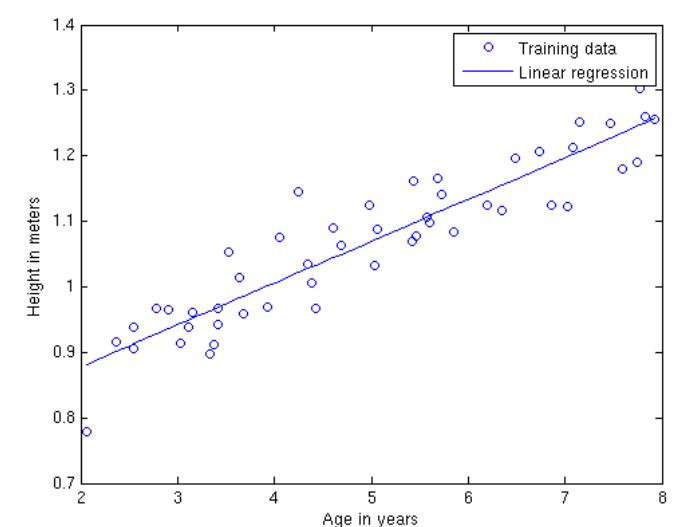
Fast Forest Quantile Regression

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Poisson Regression



## Machine Learning in ML Studio

### Anomaly Detection

- One-class Support Vector Machine
- Principal Component Analysis-based Anomaly Detection
- Time Series Anomaly Detection\*

### Classification

#### Two-class Classification

- Averaged Perceptron
- Bayes Point Machine
- Boosted Decision Tree
- Decision Forest
- Decision Jungle
- Logistic Regression
- Neural Network
- Support Vector Machine

#### Multi-class Classification

- Decision Forest
- Decision Jungle
- Logistic Regression
- Neural Network
- One-vs-all

### Clustering

- K-means Clustering

### Recommendation

- Matchbox Recommender

### Regression

- Bayesian Linear Regression
- Boosted Decision Tree
- Decision Forest
- Fast Forest Quantile Regression
- Linear Regression
- Neural Network Regression
- Ordinal Regression
- Poisson Regression

### Statistical Functions

- Descriptive Statistics
- Hypothesis Testing T-Test
- Linear Correlation
- Probability Function Evaluation

### Text Analytics

- Feature Hashing
- Named Entity Recognition
- Vowpal Wabbit

### Computer Vision

- OpenCV Library

### Data/Model Visualization

- Scatterplots
- Bar Charts
- Box plots
- Histogram
- R and Python Plotting Libraries
- REPL with Jupyter Notebook
- ROC, Precision/Recall, Lift
- Confusion Matrix
- Decision Tree\*

### Training

- Cross Validation
- Retraining
- Parameter Sweep

<https://studio.azureml.net>

Guest Access Workspace: Free trial access without logging in.

Free Workspace: Free persisted access, no Azure subscription needed.

Standard Workspace: Full access with SLA under an Azure subscription.

Cross browser drag & drop ML workflow designer.  
Zero installation needed.

Import Data

Preprocess

### Unlimited Extensibility

- R Script Module
- Python Script Module
- Custom Module
- Jupyter Notebook

### Built-in ML Algorithms

### Split Data

### Train Model

### Score Model

### Training Experiment

### One-click Operationalization

### Predictive Experiment

### Make Prediction with Elastic APIs

- Request-Response Service (RRS)
- Batch Execution Service (BES)
- Retraining API

### Data Source

- Azure Blob Storage
- Azure SQL DB
- Azure SQL DW\*
- Azure Table
- Desktop Direct Upload
- Hadoop Hive Query
- Manual Data Entry
- OData Feed
- On-prem SQL Server\*
- Web URL (HTTP)

### Data Format

- ARFF
- CSV
- SVMLight
- TSV
- Excel
- ZIP

### Data Preparation

- Clean Missing Data
- Clip Outliers
- Edit Metadata
- Feature Selection
- Filter
- Learning with Counts
- Normalize Data
- Partition and Sample
- Principal Component Analysis
- Quantize Data
- SQLite Transformation
- Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique

### Enterprise Grade Cloud Service

- SLA: 99.95% Guaranteed Up-time
- Azure AD Authentication
- Compute at Large Scale
- Multi-geo Availability
- Regulatory Compliance\*

### Community

- Gallery (<http://gallery.azureml.net>)
- Samples & Templates
- Workspace Sharing and Collaboration
- Live Chat & MSDN Forum Support

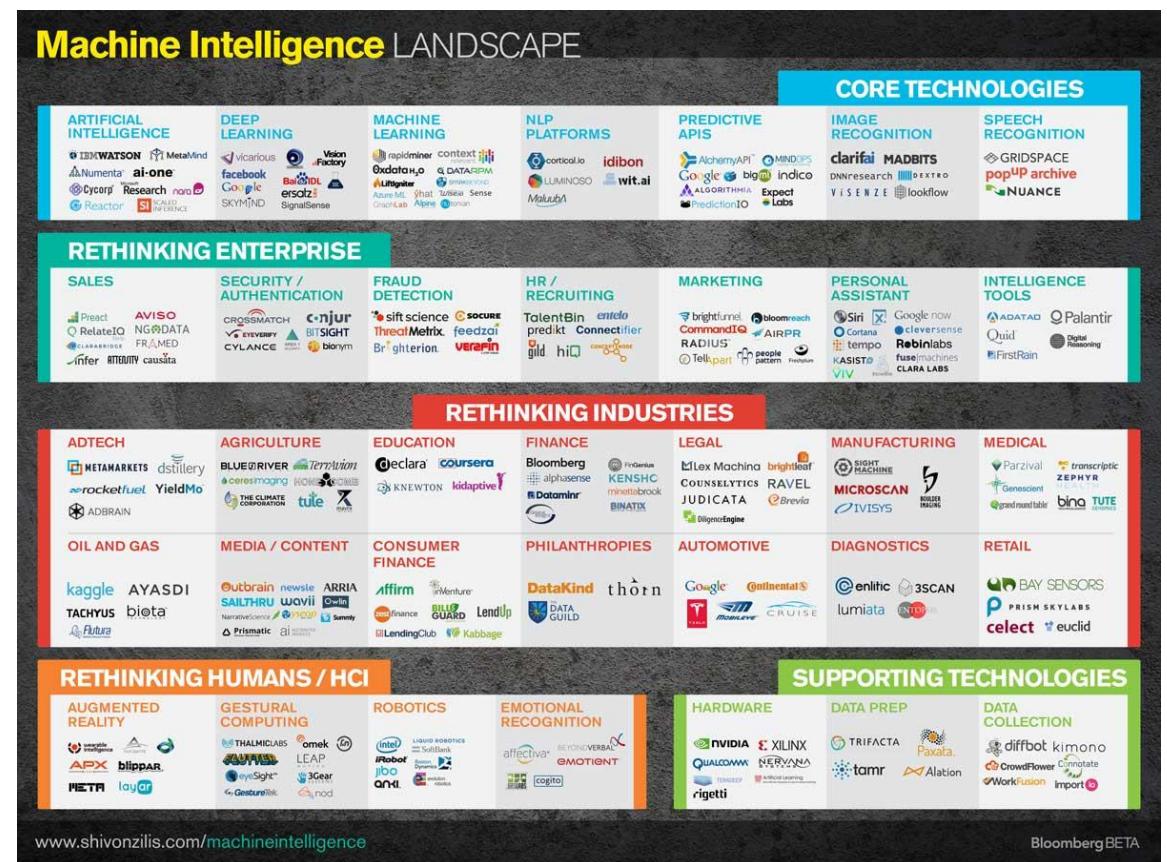
\* Feature Coming Soon



## Azure Machine Learning Studio Capabilities Overview

# Machine Learning – Industry Impacts

- **Services:** get better at forecasting demand, and learn how to provide the right product on a hyper-individualized basis (the Netflix approach).
- **Retail:** more sophisticated supply chains, deeper understanding of consumer preferences, ability to customize products and purchase experiences online and offline. Trend creation / brand building.
- **Manufacturing:** real-time, complete system monitoring (anomaly detection); issues mitigated before they occur; asset lifecycle optimization; reducing the need for human intervention.
- **Agriculture:** determine which crops to grow, in what quantities, and in what locations.



# Social Impact - Ethical Algorithms

- Which candidates will be good workers?
- How should college students decide which courses they're prepared to tackle?
- Can you forecast which families will wind up on the streets (reactive rather than preventative)?
- Can you predict whether a defendant will skip court, if they're released on bail? Or if they'll commit further crimes?
- **How biased are these forecasts?**



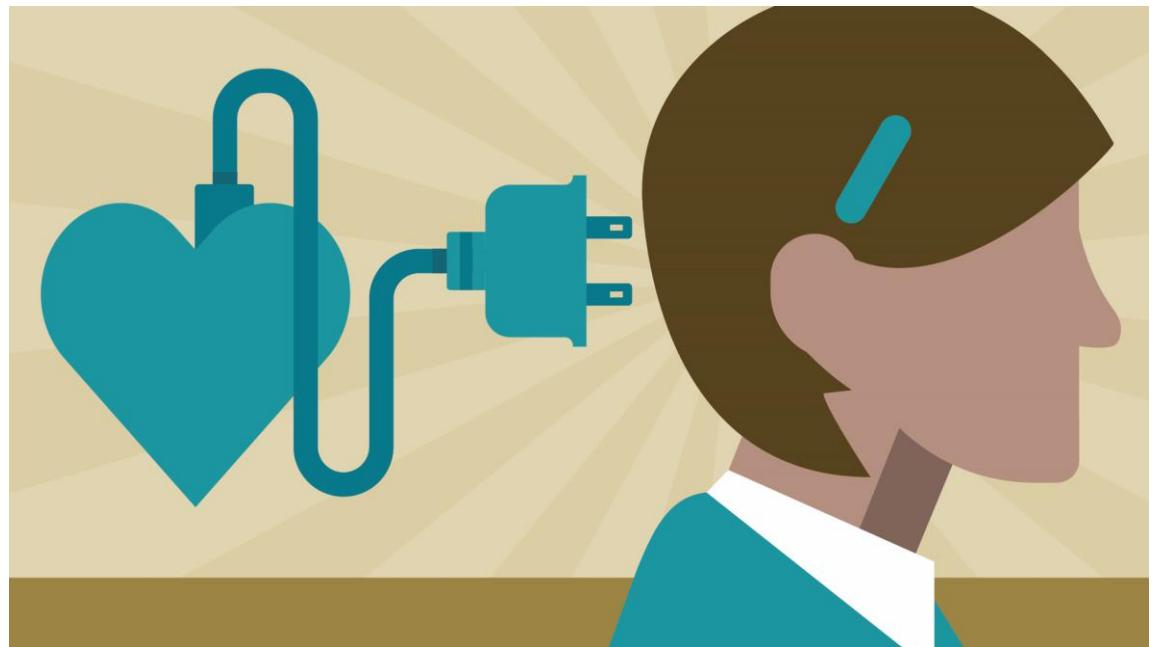
## Machine Bias

There's software used across the country to predict future criminals. And it's biased against blacks.

by Julia Angwin, Jeff Larson, Surya Mattu and Lauren Kirchner, ProPublica  
May 23, 2016

# How to stay relevant?

- Many skilled jobs follow the same general workflow.
- **Constant, continuing education.**
- Focus on skills and capabilities that artificial intelligence has trouble replicating.
  - **Examples:** understanding, motivating, interacting with human beings.
  - A smart machine may be able to diagnose an illness and even recommend treatment better than a doctor, but **it takes a person to sit with the patient, understand their life situation (finances, family, quality of life) and determine what treatment plan is optimal.**

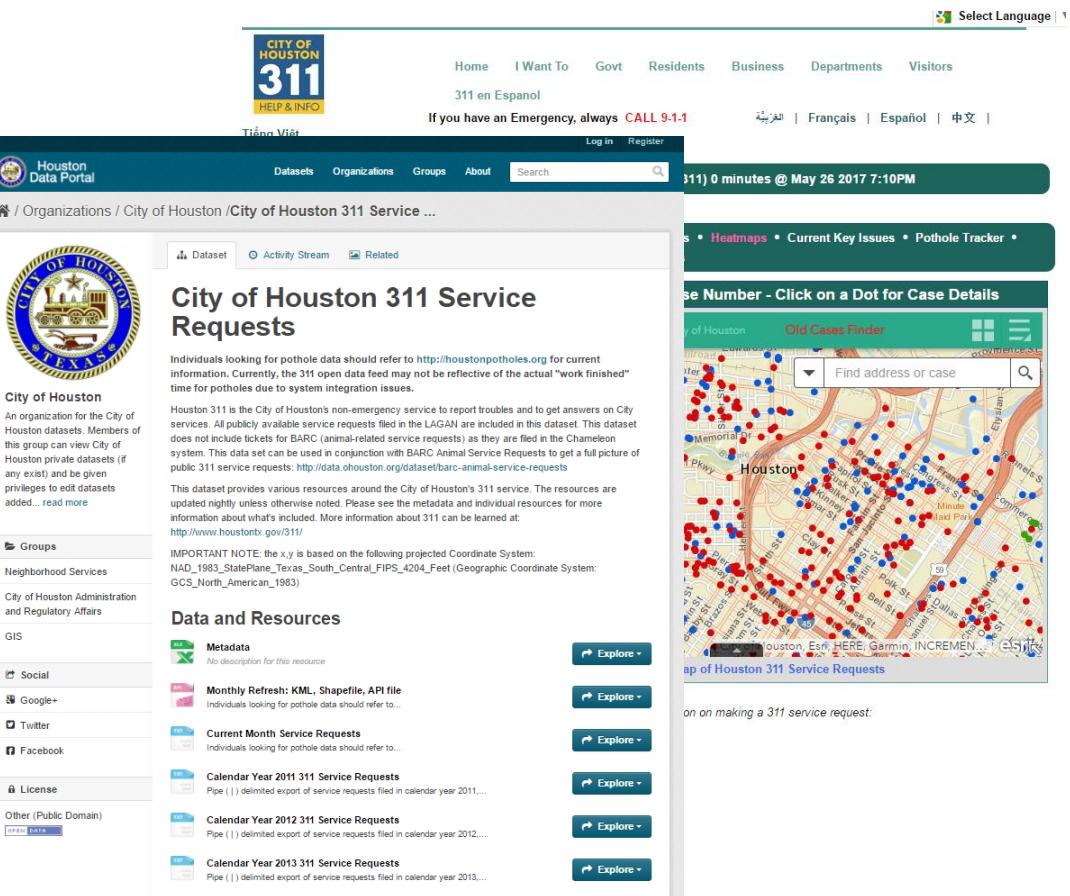


# Case Study

Predictive Analytics – Houston 311 Data

# Houston 311 Data

- Houston 311 is the City of Houston's non-emergency service to report troubles and to get answers on city services.
- 311 files in the Houston data portal are updated nightly, and you can explore here: <http://data.ohouston.org/dataset/city-of-houston-311-service-requests>
- The data set we'll be using spans from November 2011 to present.





# 5-step process for ML

ACQUIRE // PREPARE // DEFINE FEATURES // SELECT & TEST ALGORITHM // PREDICT & SCORE



# Step 1: Get the data

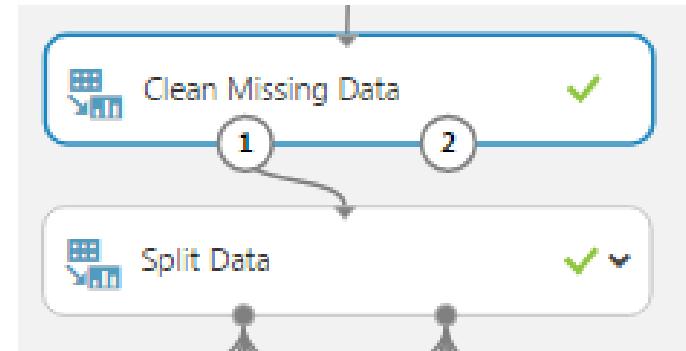
- Many sample data sets are available on the ML Studio website; you can also find others from NASA, Kaggle, UC Irvine, Stanford, open government data, etc.
- <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets?gclid=CKb02c6mr9ACFYyXvQodwaQGvg>
- <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets.html>
- <https://data.nasa.gov/>
- <https://data.usgs.gov/datacatalog/>
- <http://data.ohouston.org/>
- <https://www.data.gov/open-gov/>

## Samples

<a href="#">Adult Census Income Binary Classification dataset</a>	
<a href="#">Airport Codes Dataset</a>	
<a href="#">Automobile price data (Raw)</a>	
<a href="#">Bike Rental UCI dataset</a>	
<a href="#">Bill Gates RGB Image</a>	
<a href="#">Blood donation data</a>	
<a href="#">Book Reviews from Amazon</a>	
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<a href="#">Wikipedia SP 500 Dataset</a>	

# Step 2: Prepare the data

- Data sets usually required some pre-processing before they can be analyzed.
- Must also be split into **TEST**, **TRAIN**, and (optionally) **HOLDOUT** data sets.
- Examples:
  - Missing values (NA, -999.25, blanks, etc.)
  - Nonsensical values (10000 instead of 1000, etc.)
  - Values that have been mistakenly imported as a string when they should have been considered numeric

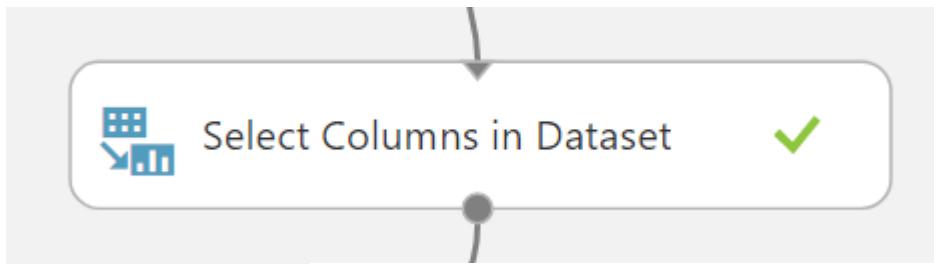


Houston 311 Data - Overdue Resolution Times > Clean Missing Data > Cleaned dataset

view as	NEIGHBORHOOD	MANAGEMENT.DISTRICT	DEPARTMENT	DIVISION	SR.TYPE	Channel.Type
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grid	Unknown	Unknown	SWM Solid Waste Management	Collections	Missed Garbage Pickup	Unknown
grid	Unknown	Unknown	PWE Public Works Engineering	Traffic Operations	Remove or Replace Worn Faded Pavement Ma	Unknown
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# Step 3: Define the features

- In machine learning, **features** are individual measurable properties of something you're interested in.
- Finding a good set of features for creating a predictive model requires **experimentation** and **knowledge** about the problem you want to solve.
  - Some features are better for predicting the target than others.
  - Some features have a strong correlation with other features, and can be removed.
  - The strong correlations can be revealed by showing linear relationships and cross validation.



Houston 311 Data - Overdue Resolution Times > Select Columns in Dataset > Results dataset

view as	NEIGHBORHOOD	MANAGEMENT.DISTRICT	DEPARTMENT	DIVISION	SR.TYPE	Channel.Type
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# Step 4: Choose and apply an algorithm

- Constructing a predictive model consists of training and testing. We'll use our data to train the model, and then we'll test the model to see how closely it's able to predict whether a given issue will be completed on time.
- Is this a **classification** task or a **regression** task?
- Help for choosing the correct algorithm:  
<http://azuremlsimples.azurewebsites.net/simpleds/>

The screenshot shows two main sections. On the left, a blue panel titled "Two-Class Classification" features a circular icon with two dots, a brief description, and a "FIND OUT SOMETHING ELSE" button. On the right, a larger panel titled "So, what do you want to find out?" lists five categories: "Predict values", "Find unusual occurrences", "Discover structure", "Predict between two categories" (which is highlighted in blue), and "Predict between several categories". Below this, a section titled "Algorithm Options:" lists four algorithms with icons: "Two-class SVM" (Under 100 features, linear model), "Two-class averaged perceptron" (Fast training, linear model), "Two-class Bayes point machine" (Fast training, linear model), and "Two-class decision forest" (Accurate, fast training). Each algorithm has "VIEW EXAMPLE" and "READ MORE" buttons. To the right, there's a section titled "JUST SOME OF THE OPTIONS:" with three examples: "Is this tweet positive?", "Will this customer renew their service?", and "Which of two coupons draws more customers?". A green "EXPLORE THIS MODULE" button is at the bottom.

# Step 5: Determine predictive power

- Now that the models have been trained using 90% of the data, we can use it to score the remaining 10% and see how well the models function.

- Five models used for sample project:**
  - Boosted Decision Tree Regression
  - Two-Class Boosted Decision Tree
  - Two-Class Bayes Point Machine
  - Two-Class Decision Jungle
  - Two-Class Locally-Deep Support Vector Machine



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# Additional Resources – Machine Learning

## Online Training

- DataCamp (\$49/month)
- Coursera (**free**, or small charge)
- EdX (**free**, or small charge)
- Microsoft's Azure Resources (**free**)
- ArXiV-Sanity (**free**)
- Kaggle (**free**)
- <http://gallery.azureml.net/>

## Books

- Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach  
<http://aima.cs.berkeley.edu/>

Machine learning basics with algorithm examples

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/machine-learning/machine-learning-basics-infographic-with-algorithm-examples>

How to choose algorithms for Microsoft Azure Machine Learning

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/machine-learning/machine-learning-algorithm-choice>

List of Machine Learning Studio Modules

<https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/azure/dn906033.aspx>

Getting started with Azure ML Studio video

<https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/resources/videos/getting-started-with-ml-studio/>

Process for getting started

<https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/trial/get-started-machine-learning/>

Documentation

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/machine-learning/>

<https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/machine-learning/>

Data Science for beginners

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/machine-learning/machine-learning-data-science-for-beginners-the-5-questions-data-science-answers>

Help files

<https://msdn.microsoft.com/library/azure/dn905974.aspx>



Thank you!

Q&A

