

PSY9511: Seminar 1

Introduction to machine learning

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Plan for the day

- Round of introductions
- Course information
- Introduction to machine learning
- Presentation of assignment 1

Esten Høyland Leonardsen

- Master's degree in Informatics: Programming and Networks
- PhD in Psychology, deep learning applied to neuroimaging data
- Experience as a data scientist and programmer from the industry and various start-ups
- Post-doc at the center for Cognitive psychology, Neuroscience and Neuropsychology
- Chief Scientific Officer at baba.vision
- Interests: Deep learning, explainable artificial intelligence, mental health, neuroimaging

What I want to know about you

- What's your name?
- What department/section are you from?
- What's your research project about?
- Do you have experience with machine learning and/or programming?
- What do you hope to learn from this course? (e.g. specific applications in your research, a theoretical understanding of machine learning, following and contributing to the public discourse, a future job in data science, ...)

Canvas

- All relevant announcements will be made on Canvas (e.g. changes to assignments, lectures, interesting reading material etc.)
- Lecture slides and notebooks from live coding will be put on Canvas before/after a lecture

Curriculum

- The course relies on the book "An Introduction to Statistical Learning", available at <https://www.statlearning.com/>
 - Only some chapters will be used, they are posted on Canvas under each Lecture module
 - Although we won't be relying much on the exercises i **highly recommend** looking into them yourselves
- I will add some scientific publications to the curriculum list as we go, depending on your preferences and interests



Exercises

- The course has no exam, but six mandatory exercises you will need to pass
 - Mostly practical coding, with some reflection
 - Given with a **hard** deadline, unless there is a good reason for an extension
 - Can be delivered multiple times based on feedback (but the first must be in time for the original deadline)
- Exercises 1-4 and 6 are mostly small and related to specific content of the preceding lecture, while 5 is a bit larger
- You should hand in runnable code (e.g. a Jupyter notebook, a python script, an R script, Rmarkdown etc.), not code copied into a Word document or a pdf

Generative artificial intelligence (e.g. ChatGPT)

- You are allowed to use generative AI in the assignments, but you must state where and how
 - Be critical, you should be able to understand and explain **all** the code you hand in

Lectures

- Goal is to show you the underlying theory in an intuitive manner
- ~2 hours of lecturing, ~1 hour for individual work/help with assignments
 - You will have to practice what you learn yourself
- Will try to make lectures interactive, and do live coding where possible

Course plan

1. Introduction to machine learning
2. Basics of regression and classification
3. Variable selection and regularization
4. Model selection, validation, and testing
5. Non linearity: Splines and tree-based methods
6. Unsupervised learning
7. Deep learning and image processing
8. Language processing

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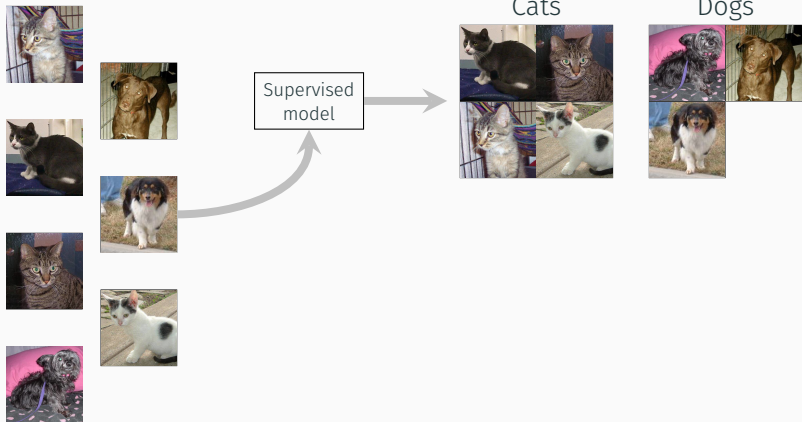
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- Supervised learning: We know what task we want to solve
- Unsupervised learning: We don't know what task we want to solve (or we don't have the data we need to solve it)



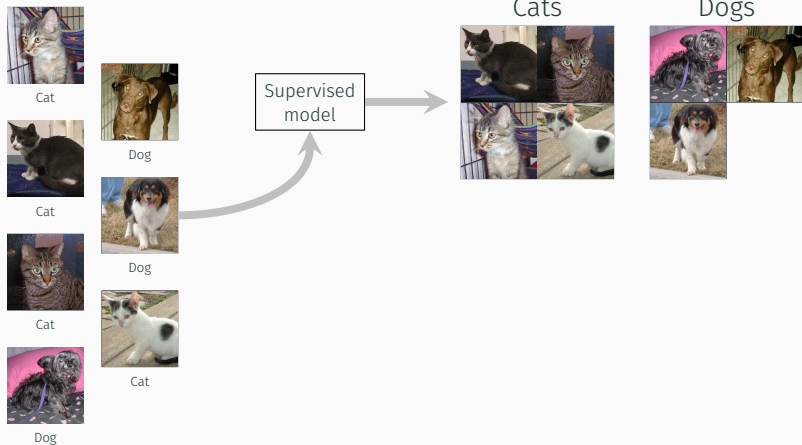
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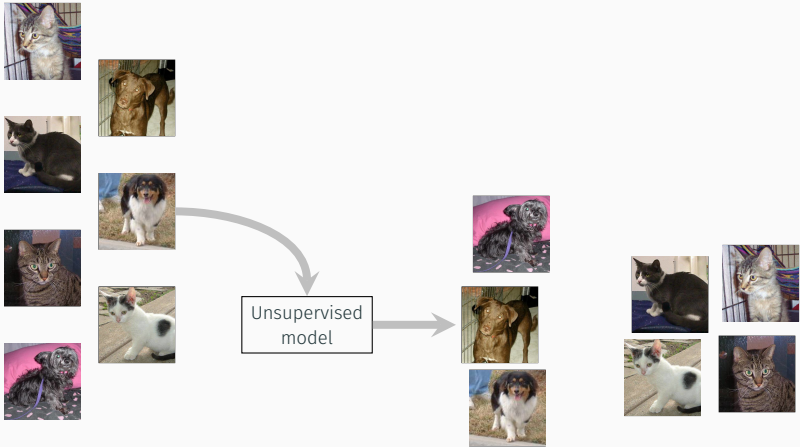
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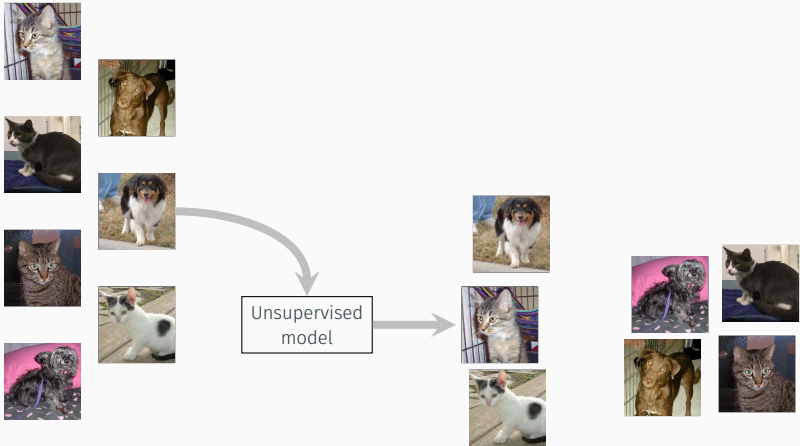
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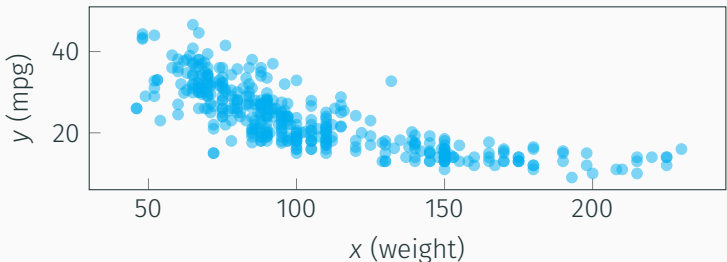
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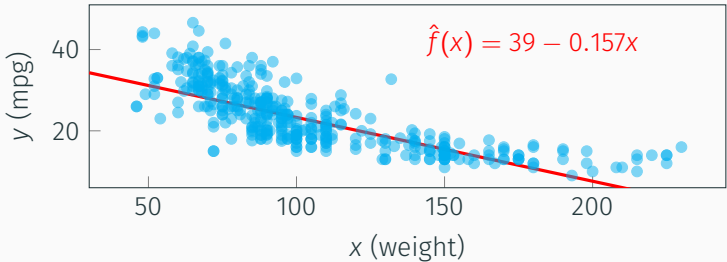
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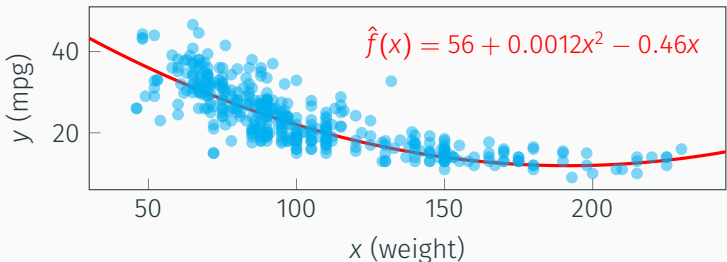
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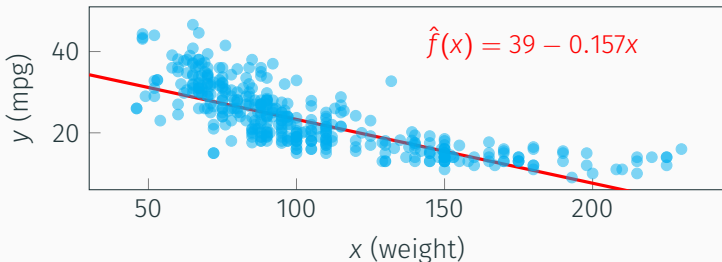
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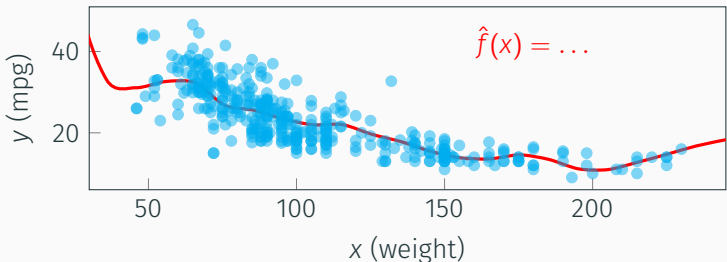
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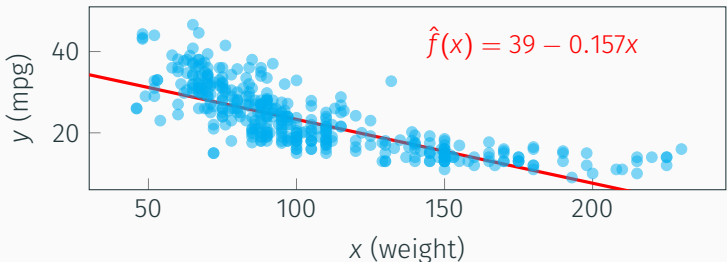
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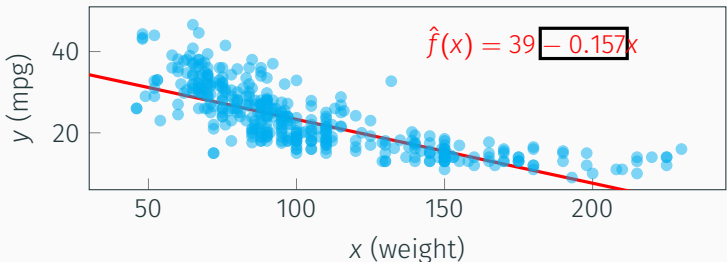
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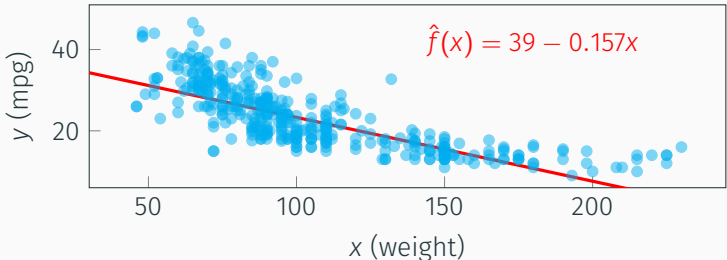
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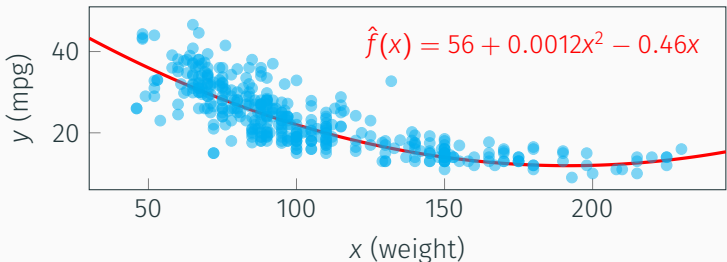
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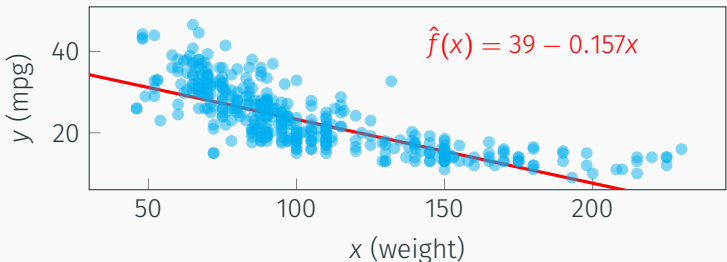
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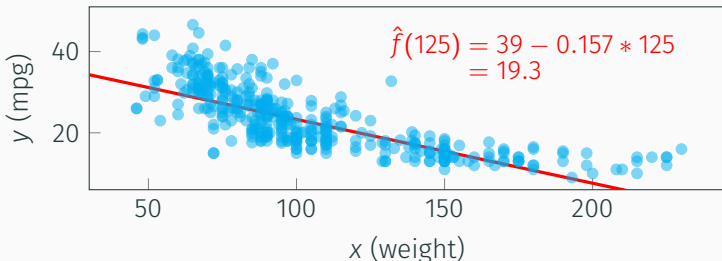
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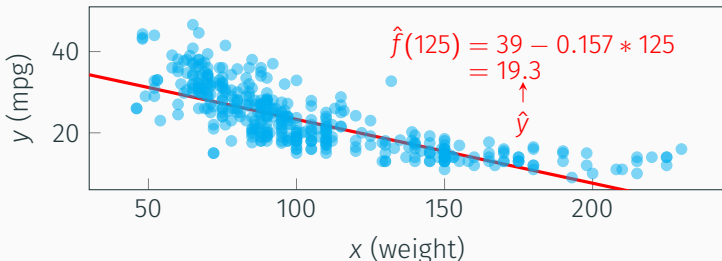
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