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# Reduction to Classification

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LECTURE 13

# Busy Week

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## Content Questions

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## Administrivia

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- How is the course going?
- What do you like?
- What don't you like?
- What should we do for an undergrad section?

## Administrivia

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- Boosting Due on Friday
- Midterm Next Week: 1.5 Hours
- Project Meetings
- Default Project

# Default Project

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id,question,correctAnswer,answerA,answerB,answerC,answerD  
196635,This phenomenon occurs twice as quickly in the Moran model as in the Wright-Fisher model.,A,Genetic drift,Hamiltonian (quantum mechanics),Coenocytic members of this kingdom lack septa, and another group in this kingdom, the ascomycetes, reproduces asexually using meiosis.  
207540,"Coenocytic members of this kingdom lack septa, and another group in this kingdom, the ascomycetes, reproduces asexually using meiosis." This painting was drawn from a cartoon by Michelangelo showing two of the title characters kissing.,B,Hamiltonian (quantum mechanics),Geological process,Geological time scale  
99,"This geological process saw increased activity during the mid-Cretaceous in its namesake ""pulse."" The Vine-Matthews-Morley effect  
196778,"This geological process saw increased activity during the mid-Cretaceous in its namesake ""pulse."" The Vine-Matthews-Morley effect  
207564,This entity is equal to the curl of the vector potential.,D,Moment of inertia,Angular momentum,Electric field,Magnetic field  
204696,A mathematical ring consists of a set and this many operations.,B,Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel,2 (number),Hamiltonian (quantum mechanics),Mathematical ring  
196848,"The Hoechst stain binds to the minor groove of this molecule, forming G-quadruplexes.",A,DNA,Adenosine triphosphate,Cyclic nucleotides  
196854,"This substance's ability to form metal ligands is exemplified in the coordination complex it forms with copper and water,

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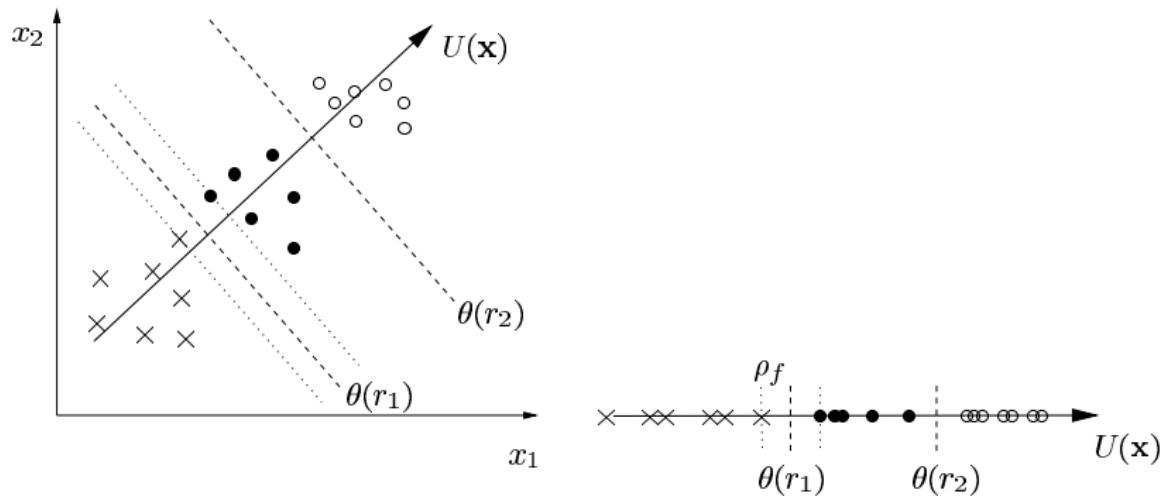
## Bottom Line

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- Understand what your algorithm is doing when you ask it to multi class
- Features and training imbalance matter more than ever
- Debugging is often easier if **you** binarize the problem

## SVM Ranking

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## Real(-ish) Data

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Sets of five movies ranked by users

```
# Big Lebowski , The
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# Clockwise
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1: Year of the movie ( $\mu = 1987$ , var=266)

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2: Length of the movie ( $\mu = 108$ , var=569)

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3: Rating ( $\mu = 6.4$ , var=1.4)

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6: Documentary (binary)
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7: Drama (binary)
```

## Fitting an SVM

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Target: older, shorter action movies with high ratings

## Predictions



**THE PAPER CHASE** (1973)

TOMATOMETER

**85%**

Average Rating: 7.2/10  
Reviews Counted: 26  
Fresh: 22  
Rotten: 4

All Critics | Top Critics

AUDIENCE SCORE

**71%**  
*liked it*

Average Rating: 3.5/5  
User Ratings: 4,395

ADD YOUR RATING

+ WANT TO SEE

✗ NOT INTERESTED

Add a Review (Optional)

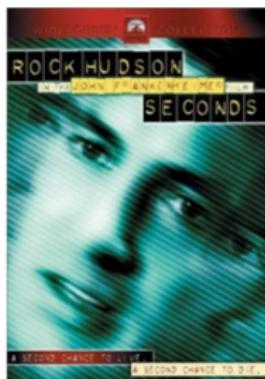
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# Predictions



ADD YOUR RATING



+ WANT TO SEE

NOT INTERESTED



# Predictions



TOMATOMETER



All Critics | Top Critics



AUDIENCE SCORE



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# Predictions



CB4 (1993)



TOMATOMETER



Average Rating: 5.6/10  
Reviews Counted: 21  
Fresh: 11  
Rotten: 10

All Critics | Top Critics



Critics Consensus: No  
consensus yet.

AUDIENCE SCORE



Average Rating: 3.2/5  
User Ratings: 10,398

ADD YOUR RATING



+ WANT TO SEE

✗ NOT INTERESTED



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# Predictions



5 NOMINATED  
ACADEMY AWARDS  
"THE BEST COMEDY  
OF THE YEAR."  
—ROLLING STONE  
WINNER  
2 GOLDEN GLOBES  
BEST PICTURE

PAUL GIAMATTI THOMAS HADEN CHURCH VIRGINIA MADSEN SANDRA OH

# SIDEWAYS

## TOMATOMETER



96%

Average Rating: 8.5/10  
Reviews Counted: 223  
Fresh: 215  
Rotten: 8

## All Critics | Top Critics



Critics Consensus: Charming, thoughtful, and often funny, *Sideways* is a decidedly mature road trip comedy full of excellent performances.

## AUDIENCE SCORE



78%  
liked it

Average Rating: 3.4/5  
User Ratings: 196,279

## ADD YOUR RATING



+ WANT TO SEE

✗ NOT INTERESTED



Add a Review (Optional)

## Predictions

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$$w = \langle 0.02, 0.03, -1.82, -2.30, -0.05, 1.73, 1.84 \rangle \quad (2)$$

```
# Paper Chase
1:-0.06 2:0.0 3:0.53 4:0.0 5:0.0 6:0.0 7:1.0
# Seconds
1:-0.08 2:-0.01 3:0.74 4:0.0 5:0.0 6:0.0 7:1.0
#Smokey and the Bandit II
1:-0.03 2:-0.02 3:-1.43 4:1.0 5:1.0 6:0.0 7:0.0
# CB4
1:0.02 2:-0.03 3:-0.73 4:0.0 5:1.0 6:0.0 7:0.0
#Sideways
1:0.06 2:0.03 3:1.09 4:0.0 5:1.0 6:0.0 7:1.0
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What's the predicted ranking?

## Ranking

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How many errors is this? S&B 2 > Seconds

## Ranking to Regression

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- Using SVMs to predict a value
- Ranking that value
- What if we care about actual value and not just relative order?
- Regression!