Machine Learning Overview

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Affect of Machine learning

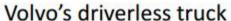


Machine Learning

- Machine learning (ML) is one of the most exciting recent technologies:
 - Google or Bing search engine
 - spam emails
 - photo tagging
- Why is machine learning so prevalent today?
 - Grew of work in Al
 - New capability for computers

Autonomous Driving



















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Natural and Spoken Language Processing

Conversational Agents and Translators



Apple Siri



Google Assistant



Microsoft Cortana





Optical Character Recognition and Translation

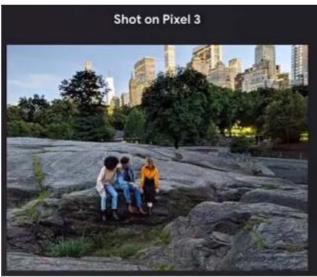


Screenshot from the movie Cars 3 on Netflix India



Image Analysis and Computer Vision





iPhone Xs vs. Pixel 3's Night Sight Mode Source: XDA Dev. review





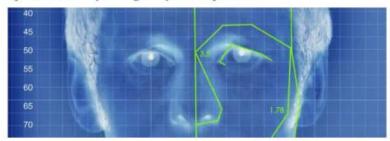


Pitfalls & Perils of ML

- Claim: Machines have a better "gaydar"
 - If true: privacy breach
 - If false: reinforces prejudice

New AI can guess whether you're gay or straight from a photograph

An algorithm deduced the sexuality of people on a dating site with up to 91% accuracy, raising tricky ethical questions



¹Source: The Guardian

 Uber hits and kills a pedestrian in Tempe, Arizona, US



Source: the Medium

 "DeepFakes" used to generate fake porn using Hollywood celebrity facial images

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ML definition

 It is an important sub-area of AI that seeks to answer the following question:

How can we build computer systems that automatically improve with experience?

• Arthur Samuel (1959):

"Field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed"

• Tom Mitchell (1998):

"A computer program is said to learn from experience E with respect to some class of tasks T and performance measure P, if its performance at tasks in T, as measured by P, improves with experience E."

Clarify the ML definition

 ML Task (T): Classification (pattern recognition), regression (prediction), clustering, retrieval...

• Experience (E):

- Supervised learning: Labeled data, target value (Decision Tree, SVMs,...)
- Unsupervised learning: Unlabeled data (K-mean, DB scan,...)
- Reinforcement learning: A reward function (Q-learning,...)

Performance measure (P):

- Accuracy or Error rate
- Confusion matrix: Precision, Recall...

Example Systems that use ML

- Google Search
- Google Car
- Amazon's recommendation system
- Adobe's Optical Character Recognition (OCR)
- Facebook's face tagging, news feed
- Apple's Siri, Microsoft's Cortana, Amazon's Echo (Speech Recognition)
- Auto-parking and Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS)

An Incomplate History of ML

- Turing Test (1950)
 - Machines do very poorly
- Rosenblatt's Perceptron (1960's)
 - Kickstarted the mathematical analysis of the learning process
 - Key idea behind Support Vector Machines (SVMs) and Neural Networks
- Construction of Fundamentals of Learning Theory (1960-70's)
 - Focus on generalization capability of learning machines
 - Performance on unseen data
 - Regularization for ill-posed problems
 - e.g., linear equations for ill-conditioned matrices

- Neural Networks (1980's)
 - Connectionism
 - Back-propagation [LeCun, `86]
 - CNNs, RNNs
- SVMs (1990's)
 - Margin Maximization
 - Kernel Methods to handle nonlinearity
- Deep Learning (>2006)
 - Hinton, Bengio, LeCun at forefront
- (>2012) Craziness!!

What Should You Learn

- Modelling a learning problem
- Various algorithms (techniques) for solving ML problems
- Pitfalls while designing ML systems
 - Modelling, Generalization, Regularization & Model Selection, (hyper)-Parameter tuning, Overfitting, Underfitting
- Importance of Domain Knowledge
 - Not treating ML techniques as a black box
 - Simplify the learning problem by using domain knowledge
- Engineering Tricks
 - Debugging ML systems
- Tools
 - Scikit-learn, PyTorch, TensorFlow, OpenCV, etc

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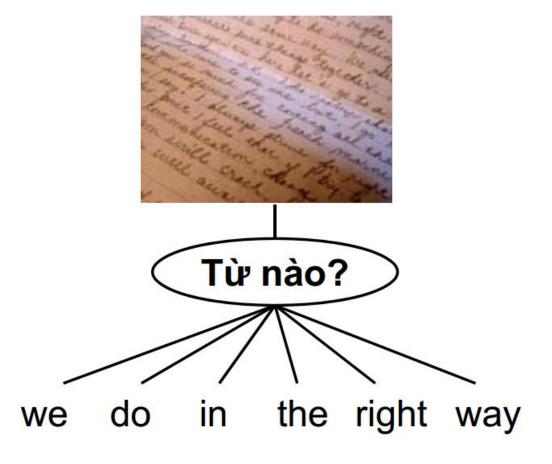
Email Spam Filtering

- **T**: Predict (to filter) emails which one is spam?
- P: % of emails are classify exactly
- E: A set of sample emails, each of which is represented with a corresponding set of attributes (eg keyword set) and class labeled (email/spam)



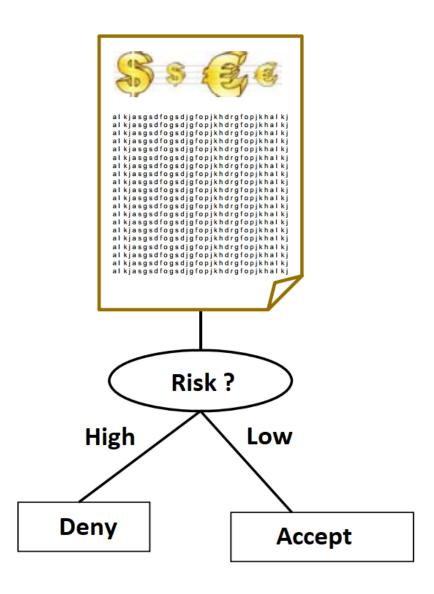
Handwriting recognition

- T: Identify and classify thewords in handwritten pictures
- P: % of words are recognized and classified correctly
- E: A set of handwritten images, in which each image is attached with an identifier of a word



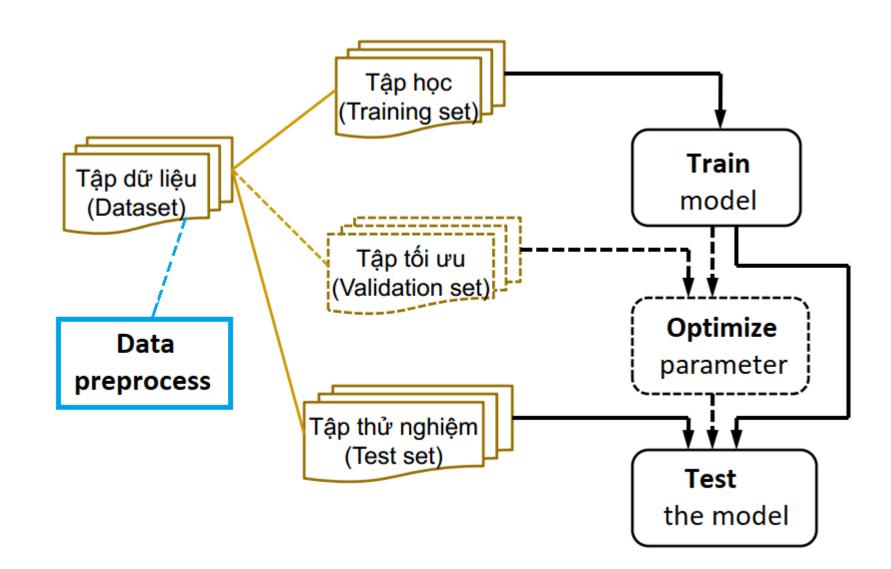
Financal loan risk prediction

- T: Determine the level of risk (eg: high/low) for loan applications finance
- P: % of of loan applications with high risk (no return) are determined exactly
- E: A set of loan applications, each represented by a set of attributes and risk (high/low)



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Building a ML model



Data set

- Preprocess:
 - Remove noise (icons, stickers...), and stopword (if need)
 - Decode the abbreviations, native language
 - Lower case and Upper case problems
 - Fill the missing values of features
 - Vietnamese: single or complex word
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- Train/Validation/Test set:
 - Train: for train model
 - Validation: for optimize model
 - Test: for test model



ML paradigms

Supervised Learning:

- learn a function that can be used to predict the output associated with new inputs
- training data is labeled
- Ex: Classification, Regression...

Unsupervised Learning:

- identify commonalities in the data and react based on the presence or absence of such commonalities in each new piece of data
- training data is unlabeled
- Ex: Clustering, Community detection...

Reinforcement learning:

- take actions in an environment in order to maximize the notion of cumulative reward
- the environment is typically stated in the form of a Markov decision process (MDP)
- training data is set of all possibilities and corresponding rewards

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The main components of the ML problem

• Training data:

- Labeled or unlabeled
- compatible with the examples to be used by the system in the future

Objective function F:

- Determine function F:
 - F: X \rightarrow {0,1}
 - F: X -> {Set of classes: c₁,c₂,...,c_n}
 - ...
- Choose the way to present F:
 - a polynomial function
 - a set of rules
 - a decision tree
 - an artificial neural network)
- ML Algorimth: can learn (approximately) the objective function F
 - Regression-based
 - Back-propagation

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Problems in Machine Learning

Training Examples (Datas)

- How many is enough?
- How do error (noise) and/or missing-value examples affect accuracy?
- Affects of data imbalance

Learning algorithm (LA)

- Under what conditions, a LA will converge (asymptotically) the objective function need to be learned?
- Which LA is the best for the specific conditions?

Learning process

- What is the optimal strategy for choosing the order of using training examples?
- How can problem-specific knowledge (besides training examples) contribute to the learning process?

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Learning Outcomes

- Explain the different types of learning problems along with some techniques to solve them
- Model real-world problems, apply different learning techniques and quantitatively evaluate the performance
- Identify and use advanced techniques with the help of existing machine learning tools and libraries
- Analyze performance of ML techniques and comment on their limitations

Prerequisites

Required

- Linear Algebra
- Probability and Statistics
- Advanced Calculus (mainly, vector differentiation)
- Introduction to Programming (Python)
 - In reality you would need much more than an introduction

Desired

- Optimization
 - At least knowledge of gradient descent used for function minimization

Q&A - Thank you!