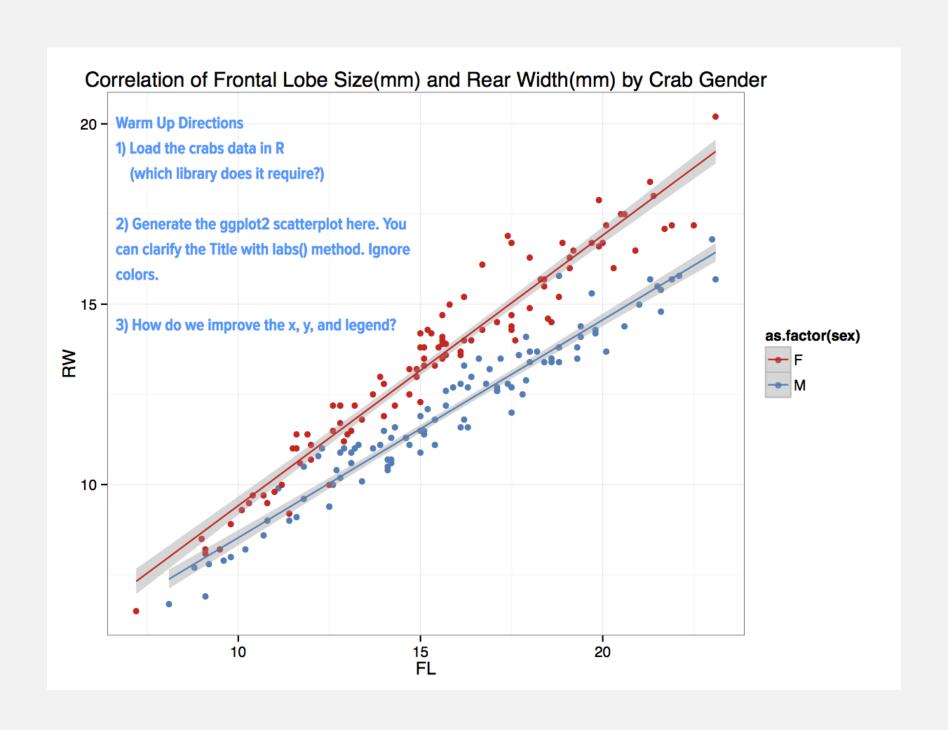
# Intro to Data Science: Machine Learning

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### warm up



#### Agenda

What is Machine Learning?

Machine Learning Problems

Multiple Regression & Feature Extraction

## What is Machine Learning?

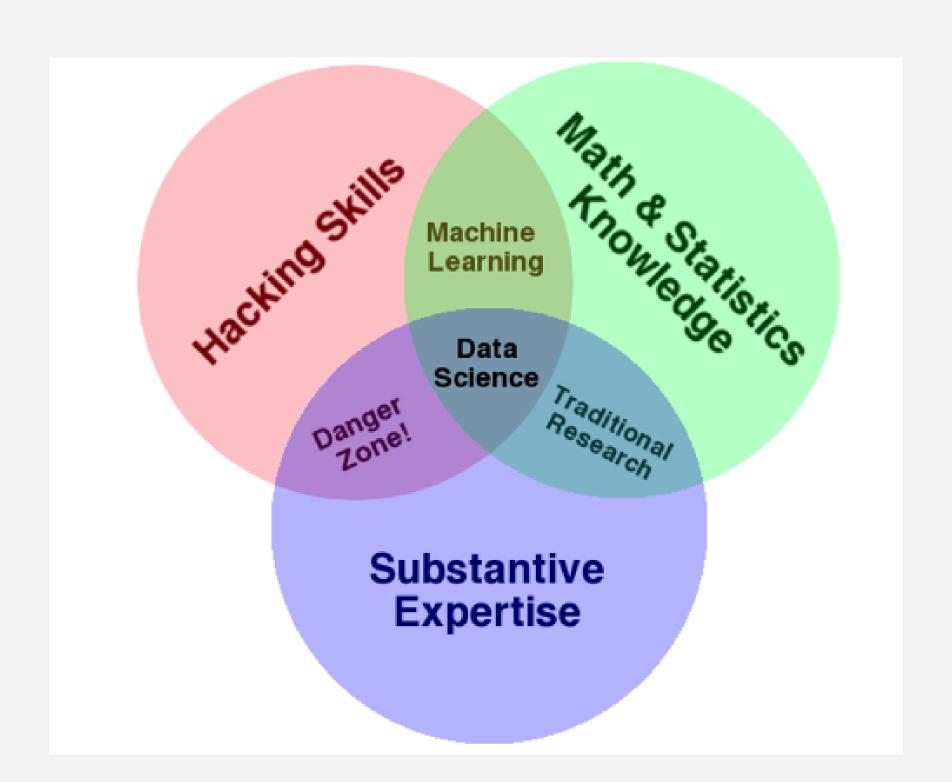
#### What is Machine Learning?

#### From WikiPedia:

"Machine learning, a branch of artificial intelligence, is about the construction and study of systems that can learn from data...The core of machine learning deals with representation and generalization..."

Representation: extracting structure from data

**Generalization**: making predictions from data



## II. Machine Learning Problems

#### Types of Machine Learning Problems

#### Supervised Learning

Process used for making predictions

Sample data is already classified

Process uses pre-classified information to predict unknown space



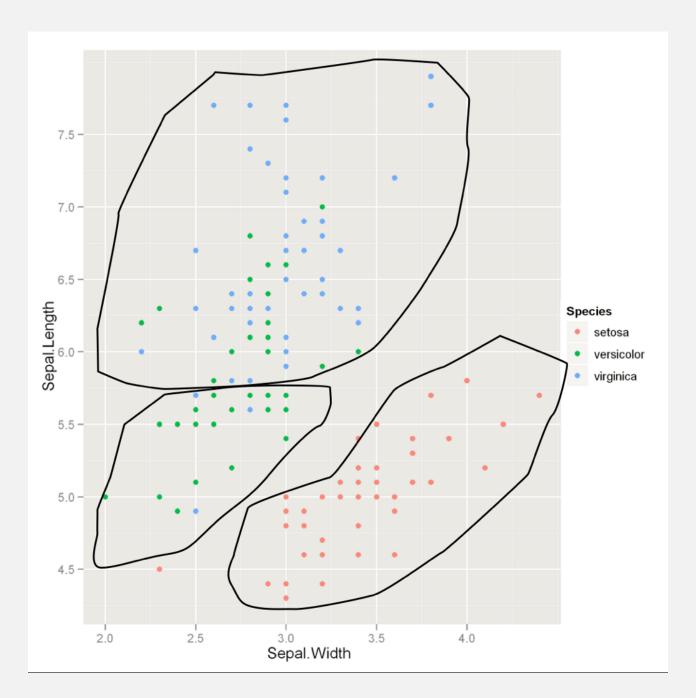
Credit: Andrew Ng, "Introduction to Machine Learning," Stanford

#### **Unsupervised Learning**

Process used for providing structure

No data was pre "structured", attempts to make sense out of independent variables

(you're making up, or the algorithm is making up, your dependent variable)



Credit: Thomson Nguyen, "Introduction to Machine Learning," Lookout

### Features in Data

We call the space where data lives the "feature space"

# Types of Features

Continuous/Quantative Categorical/Qualitative

# Fitting it all Together

# What's the goal?

Supervised Predictions
Unsupervised Structure

## What data do we have?

continuous categorical

quantitative qualitative

# How do we determine the right approach?

continuous

categorical

Supervised

regression

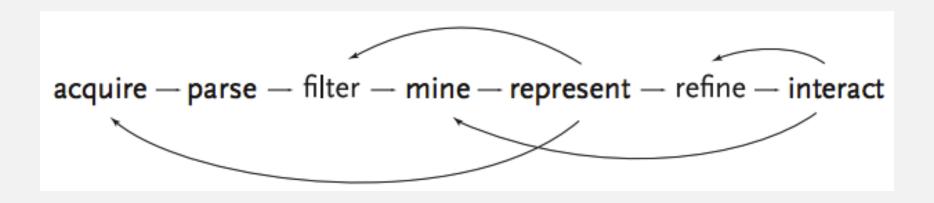
classification

Unsupervised

dimension reduction

clustering

# What do we do with the results?



## Class break

# In Class Reading/Discussion (25 minutes)

More about R functions

### Directions

- 1. Open up your R Terminal
- 2. Use R Help (?) to find reading about the following functions
  - plot
  - Im
  - update
- 3. In a text/markdown file, write a short summary about the function
- 4. Go through an example from the help and explain what that example is doing

## Reading Discussion

## Exercise

Multiple Regression (Backward Elimination)

#### Objectives

Create a regression model using several independent variables Extract meaningful features

## Fit a linear model with multiple independent variables

To find out more about the data: help(stackloss)
Are all the independent variables necessary?

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# Do these first
read.csv('http://heypodo.com/public/etc/enrollment.csv') # dependent var: ROLL
data(stackloss) # dependent var: stack.loss

# If you have more time
data(UScrime) # dependent var: R
data(swiss) # dependent var: Fertility
```

## Final Discussion