



CSC4007 Advanced Machine Learning 2018-19 Handbook

Lecturer

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Teaching

- Lectures (three hours):
 - Tuesday : 13:00 – 15:00
 - 13:00 – 14:00 David Keir Building/0G/336
 - 14:00 – 15:00 David Keir Building/01/403
 - Thursday: 13:00 – 14:00
 - David Keir Building/01/403
- Practical (two hours): Optional
 - Thursday: 15:00 – 17:00
 - We will go through programming examples that are useful to understand the content of the module and to do assignments.
 - Using **Python**, **Numpy** (for linear algebra), and **Matplotlib** (for plotting)

Lectures and Video Recording

- Lecture notes will be available on QOL
- Video lectures will be recorded and available on Mediasite

Course Contents

- Introduction to learning problem
- Basics on linear algebra
- Regression
- Classification
- Kernel methods, support vector machine
- Unsupervised learning
- Ensemble methods
- Neural networks and deep learning

Learning Outcomes

- Explain when and how ML is useful in real-world problems
- Know and apply state-of-art ML techniques.
- Demonstrate the ability to understand and describe the underlying mathematical framework behind these operations.
- Formulate and evaluate novel hypothesis
- Evaluate the performance of proposed machine learning solutions through rigorous experimentation
- Analyse quantitative results and use them to refine initial solutions
- Communicate finding effectively and in a convincing manner based on data, and compare proposed systems against existing state-of-art solutions

Assessment

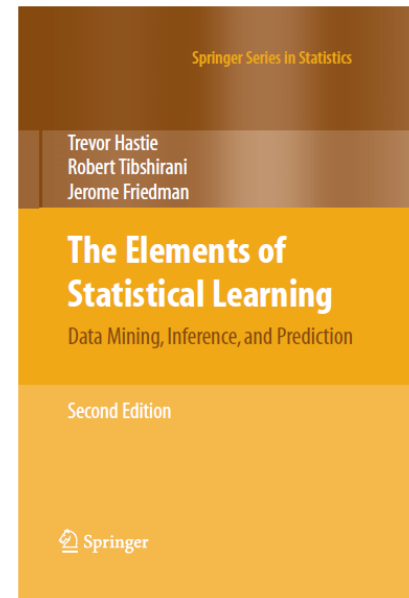
- Assignment (60% module marks):
 - Assignment 1: Release at week 15 (30% module marks), deadline at week 19
 - Linear regression
 - Assignment 2: Release at week 19 (30% module marks), deadline at week 23
 - K-means clustering
- Final exam (written, 2 hours): 40% module marks in April-May
- Compulsory Element. To pass this module, you need to pass both parts: Course work, written examination
- Re-sit exam in the summer of 2019

Availability for Queries

- I am happy to meet after lectures.
- Open Office: 10:00 → 17:00 on Tuesday and Thursday.
- **NOTE:** Because I am not normally based in the CSB, email me to schedule a meeting if you are unable to meet me at above time.

Recommended Textbooks

[1] Trevor Hastie, Robert Tibshirani and Jerome Friedman: The Elements of Statistical Learning: Data Mining, Inference, and Prediction Springer, Second Edition, 2009.
[publicly online at <http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/>]



[2] Ian Goodfellow, Yoshua Bengio, Aaron Courville, Francis Bach: Deep Learning (Adaptive Computation and Machine Learning Series), 2017
[publicly online: <https://www.deeplearningbook.org/>]

