

Statistical Learning

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Statistical learning is everywhere

- ✧ human computer interaction
 - ✧ voice recognition / synthesis
 - ✧ handwriting recognition
- ✧ recommendation
 - ✧ web search
 - ✧ goods, and digital media
- ✧ data access
 - ✧ indexing
 - ✧ classification

Usage


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Boarding Pass

Lufthansa 9228
Operated by United Airlines

Name: Mr Johnny Smith Booking number: E12345678



From SFO To JFK Group 7 Seat 23B

Gate 51a Terminal 2 Depart SFO at 11:40 Tue, 21 May, 2013





Ticket type: World Park Rewards Premier Access

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Activity Summary

25 miles in August
6 miles less than July


Summary of July & August

		21 miles walking 21 miles walking
		10 miles cycling 4 miles cycling

Based on your device's location which is periodically sent to Google. [Learn More.](#)

Next Appointment


Agency meeting
Ninth Ave. New York, NY 10011
40 Departs in 8min (walk 1 min to 5th Avenue/
East 57th Street)



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Traffic & Transit


57 minutes to work
Normal traffic on US - 101



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Flights

Virgin America flight 34
Scheduled - Flight departs in 23 hours 56 mins

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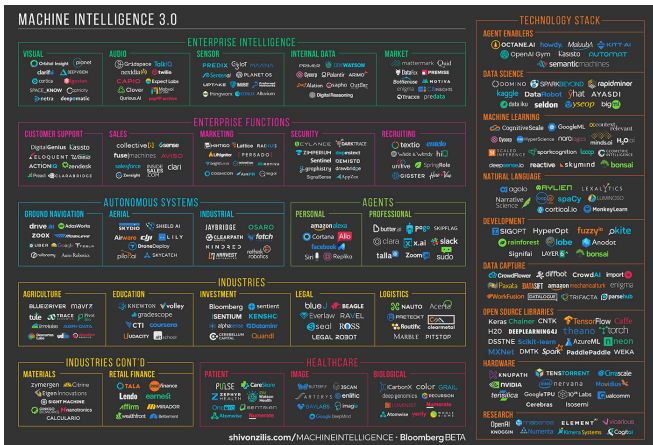
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Weather

Restaurant Reservations

Jobs



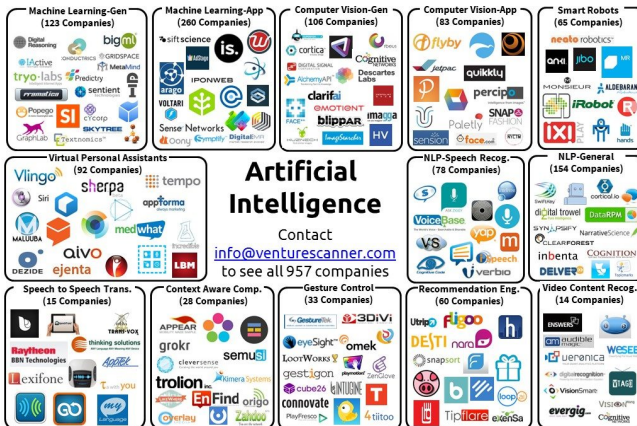
Investment

Artificial Intelligence: Most Active Corporate Investors

2011-2016YTD (as of 6/15/2016)

Investor	Rank	Select Investments
Intel Capital	1	DataRobot prelert lumiata MAANA Incomin saffron PERFANT EMOTIENT Reflektion Parallel Machines MindMeld smartzip api.ai indisys: COLDLIGHT
Google Ventures	2	BUILDING ROBOTICS clarifai KENSHC FRAMED ZEPHYR Unbabel tamr MindMeld Orbital Insight Predilytic
GE Ventures	3	SIGHT MACHINE ARTERYS AYASDI BITSTEW MedAware PingThings stem Predixion MAANA
Samsung Ventures	4	vicarious sentiance Maluuba iDIBON jibo MindMeld ai AUTOMATED ROBOTS
Bloomberg Beta	4	deep genomics context relevant AVISO howdy. DOMINO Orbital Insight DigitalGenius DIFFBOT
In-Q-Tel	6	MindMeld Digital Precision CYLANCE elect INTERSET DOMINO
Tencent	7	DIFFBOT CLOUDEX SI SCALED INFERENCE iCarbonX skymind
Nokia Growth Partners	8	rocketfuel WorkFusion rapidminer indix.
Microsoft Ventures	8	BUILDING ROBOTICS NEURA insidesales CrowdFlower
Qualcomm Ventures	8	clarifai Predilytic Welltok tempo
Salesforce Ventures	8	DigitalGenius insidesales sense
AXA Strategic Ventures	8	NEURA BL-BEATS medlanes pricemethod
New York Life Insurance Company	8	context relevant DataRobot Skycure coptricity

Investment



Venture Scanner

Big data <-> Big business



Skills

MODERN DATA SCIENTIST

Data Scientist, the sexiest job of the 21st century, requires a mixture of multidisciplinary skills ranging from an intersection of mathematics, statistics, computer science, communication and business. Finding a data scientist is hard. Finding people who understand who a data scientist is, is equally hard. So here is a little cheat sheet on who the modern data scientist really is.

MATH & STATISTICS

- ★ Machine learning
- ★ Statistical modeling
- ★ Experiment design
- ★ Bayesian inference
- ★ Supervised learning: decision trees, random forests, logistic regression
- ★ Unsupervised learning: clustering, dimensionality reduction
- ★ Optimization: gradient descent and variants

DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE & SOFT SKILLS

- ★ Passionate about the business
- ★ Curious about data
- ★ Influence without authority
- ★ Hacker mindset
- ★ Problem solver
- ★ Strategic, proactive, creative, innovative and collaborative



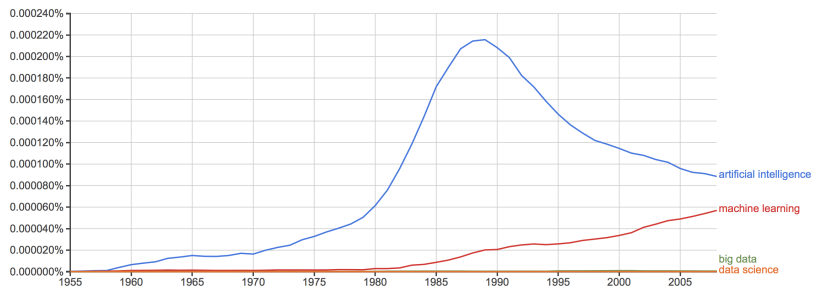
PROGRAMMING & DATABASE

- ★ Computer science fundamentals
- ★ Scripting language e.g. Python
- ★ Statistical computing packages, e.g., R
- ★ Databases: SQL and NoSQL
- ★ Relational algebra
- ★ Parallel databases and parallel query processing
- ★ MapReduce concepts
- ★ Hadoop and Hive/Pig
- ★ Custom reducers
- ★ Experience with xaaS like AWS

COMMUNICATION & VISUALIZATION

- ★ Able to engage with senior management
- ★ Story telling skills
- ★ Translate data-driven insights into decisions and actions
- ★ Visual art design
- ★ R packages like ggplot or lattice
- ★ Knowledge of any of visualization tools e.g. Flare, D3.js, Tableau

Naming trends



Artificial Intelligence

The traditional problems (or goals) of AI research include

- ⊞ reasoning, knowledge representation,
- ⊞ planning, learning,
- ⊞ natural language processing, perception and
- ⊞ the ability to move and manipulate objects.

General intelligence is among the field's long-term goals.

AI Methods

Approaches include statistical methods, computational intelligence, and traditional symbolic AI.

Used tools are:

- ⌘ search and mathematical optimization : find interesting solutions
- ⌘ statistical modeling
- ⌘ artificial neural networks

Machine learning

Machine learning

- ✚ is an application of artificial intelligence (AI) that provides systems the ability to automatically learn and improve from experience without being explicitly programmed.
- ✚ More largely used for systems able to make complex predictions.
- ✚ term coined by Arthur Lee Samuel in 1959
- ✚ The Samuel Checkers-playing Program appears to be the world's first self-learning program and as such a very early demonstration of the fundamental concept of artificial intelligence.

ML Methods

- ✚ It consists in the construction of algorithms that can learn from and make predictions on data
- ✚ such algorithms overcome following strictly static program instructions by making data-driven predictions or decisions.

Evaluation

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 .

[Tom M. Mitchell]

When considering ML ?

ML can be useful when

- ⌘ **Data:** is large and heterogeneous
- ⌘ **Uncertainty:** data is noisy, unstructured, redundant, ...
- ⌘ **Limited knowledge:** complex and not well understood phenomena

Problem solved

- ⌘ does this item belongs to A or B ? (closed set classification)
- ⌘ does this item belongs to A ? (closed set classification)
- ⌘ is this item very A or only a bit ? (regression)
- ⌘ how my data is structured ? (clustering)
- ⌘ is this item very different from the usual ones ? (anomaly detection)

Types of learning

- ⌘ **Reinforcement learning:** the world is completely described (explicit reward)
- ⌘ **Supervised learning:** the relation between the items and the corresponding supervisory signal is known for some items
- ⌘ **Unsupervised learning:** Discover the structure and regularities of the items by observing them (and potentially living with them)

Types of learning

- ⌘ **Reinforcement learning:** The machine predicts a scalar reward given once in a while (A few bits for some samples)
- ⌘ **Supervised learning:** The machine predicts a category or a few numbers for each input (10 to 10,000 bits per sample)
- ⌘ **Unsupervised learning:** The machine predicts any part of its input for any observed part, eg predicting future frames in videos (Millions of bits per sample)

Types of learning



Unsupervised Learning is the "Dark Matter" of AI

ML trends: Unsupervised Learning

Unsupervised learning is the only form of learning that can provide enough information

- ⌞ to train large neural nets with billions of parameters.
- ⌞ Supervised learning would take too much labeling effort
- ⌞ Reinforcement learning would take too many trials

Supervised learning

- ⌘ Let $y \in A$ be the labels assigned to some items $x \in \mathcal{R}^d$
- ⌘ n couples are available for training: $(x_i, y_i)_{i \leq n}$
- ⌘ they are assumed to be iid samples $(X_i, Y_i)_{i \leq n}$ from non observed distributions (X, Y)
- ⌘ from a given x , the system predicts an estimate \tilde{y}
- ⌘ parameters of the system are optimized such that $\tilde{y}_i \approx y_i$

Generalization

- ⌞ We wish that the precision obtained on the training set is preserved over unseen data
- ⌞ this is called **generalization** capabilities

Learning

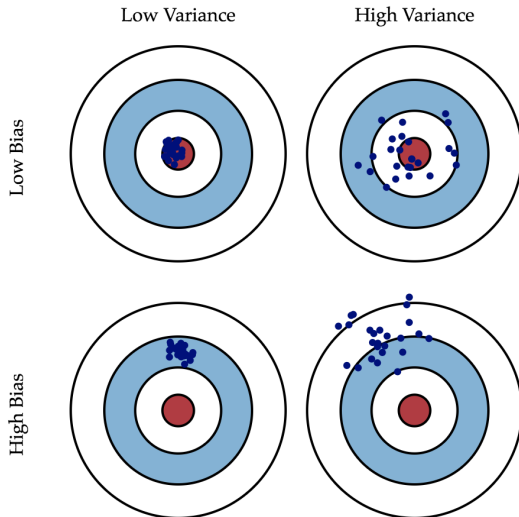
- ✧ the learning system computes $\tilde{y} = \tilde{f}(x)$
- ✧ \tilde{f} is chosen among a class \mathcal{H}
- ✧ assuming that the y paired with x is unique, $y = f(x)$
- ✧ The system then compute an approximation \tilde{f} of f .

Risk

The important questions are:

- ⌞ how do we measure and major the difference between the empirical error $\tilde{R}_e(\tilde{f})$ and the generalization error $R(\tilde{f})$?
- ⌞ how do we ensure that $R(\tilde{f})$ is low ?

Bias and Variance explained



Bias Variance Tradeoff

Given

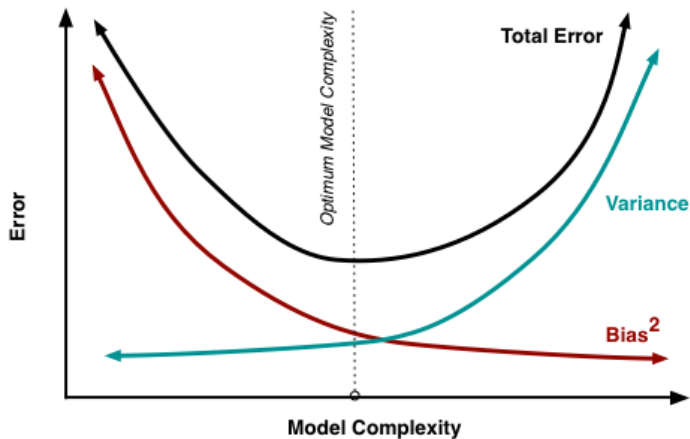
$$\hookrightarrow f_a = \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in \mathcal{H}} R(h)$$

$$\hookrightarrow f = \operatorname{argmin}_{h \in \mathcal{H}} \tilde{R}_e(h)$$

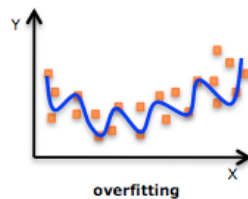
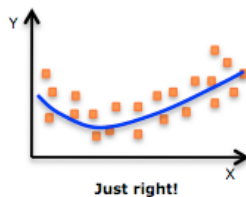
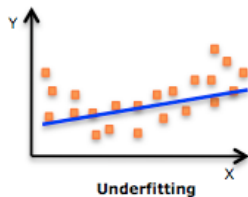
we have

$$\hookrightarrow R(\tilde{f}_a) \leq R(\tilde{f}) \leq R(\tilde{f}_a) + 2 \max_{h \in \mathcal{H}} |R(h) - \tilde{R}_e(h)|$$

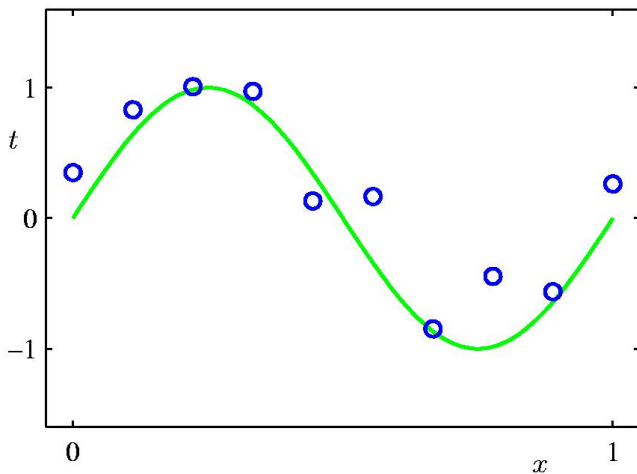
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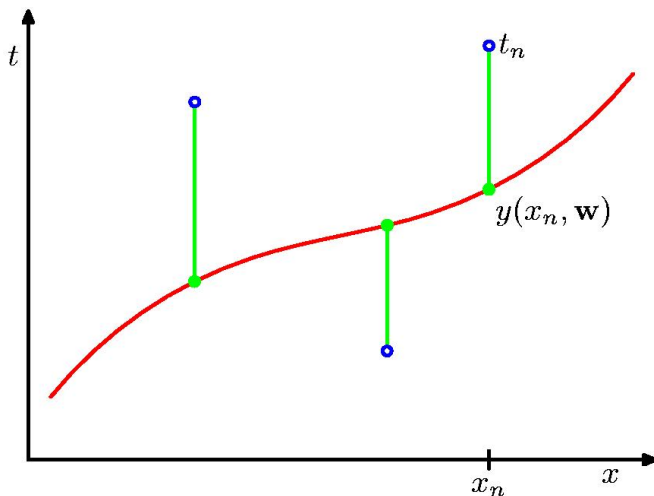
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$$y(x, \mathbf{w}) = w_0 + w_1x + w_2x^2 + \dots + w_Mx^M = \sum_{j=0}^M w_jx^j$$

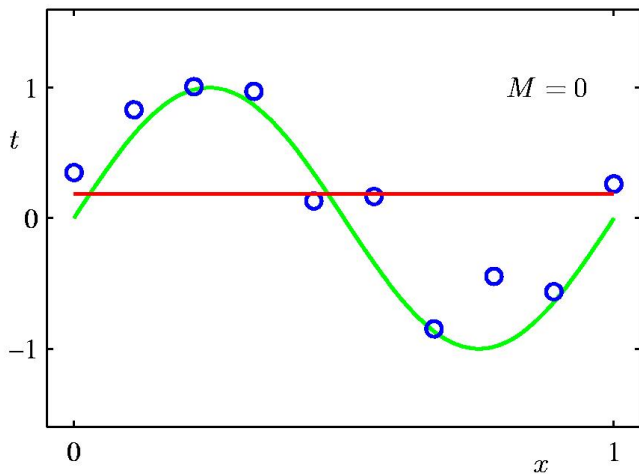
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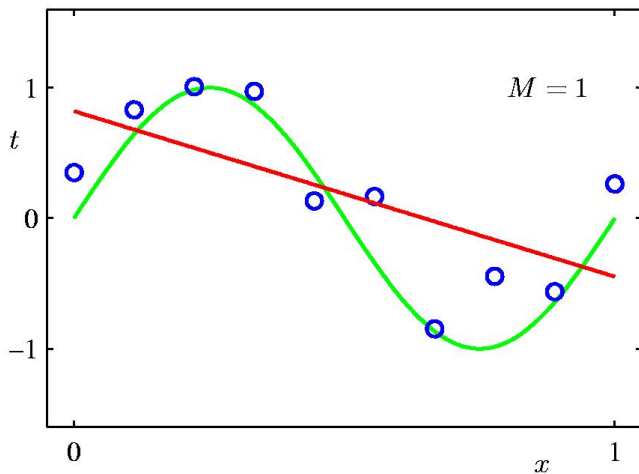
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$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \{y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n\}^2$$

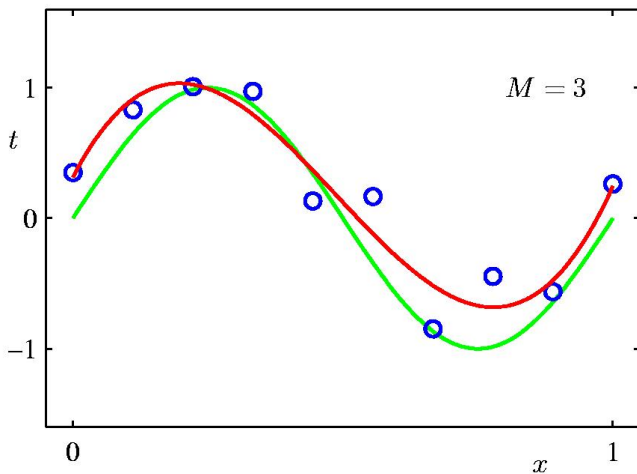
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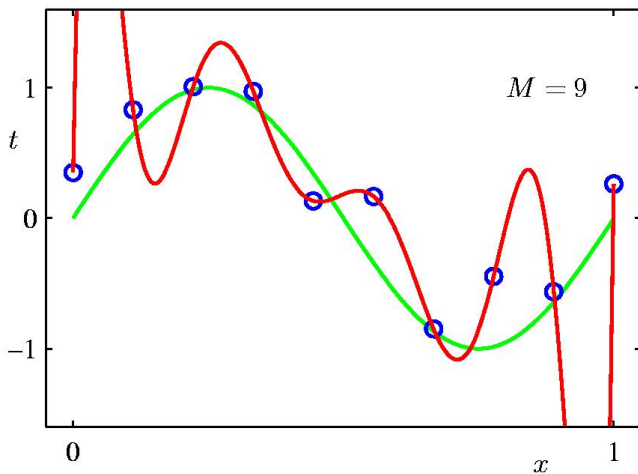
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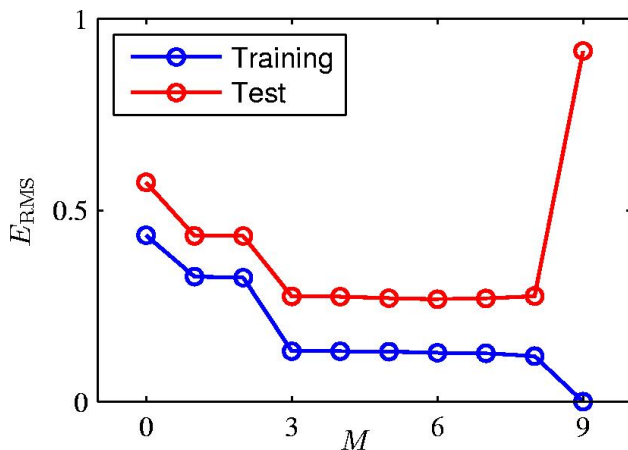
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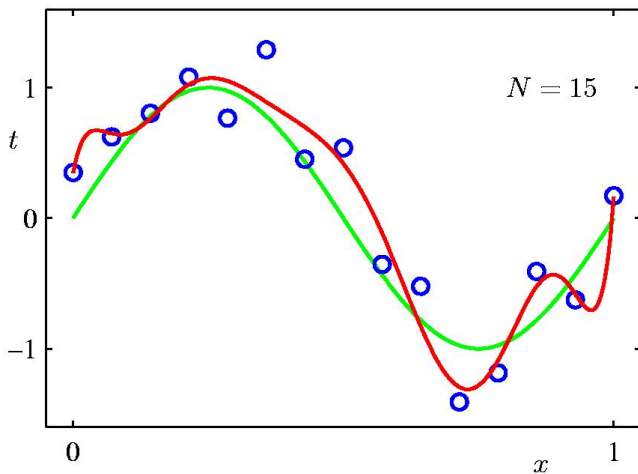
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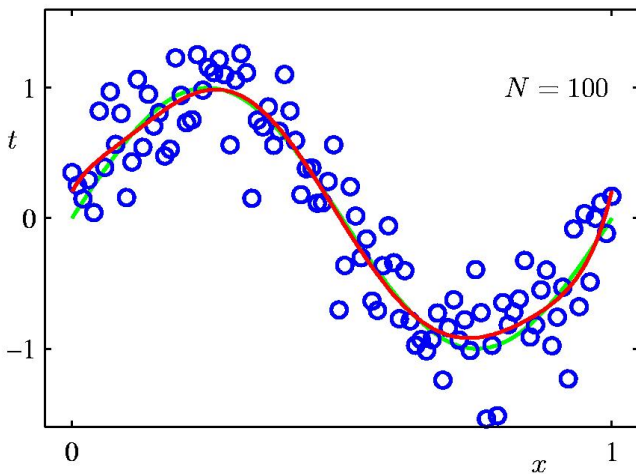
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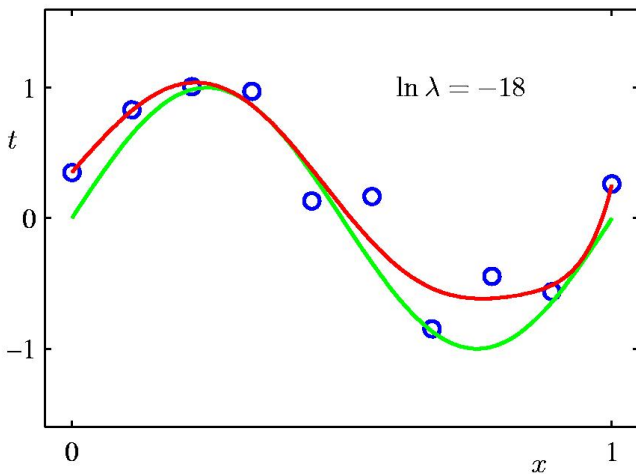
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$$\tilde{E}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \{y(x_n, \mathbf{w}) - t_n\}^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

Toy example: polynomial curve fitting



Conclusion

Machine learning

- ✧ is a fascinating discipline
- ✧ with now flourishing effective techniques that shape humanity
- ✧ more is needed with respect to the understanding of the underlying concepts...

Tribes



A look at

Machine learning evolution

Overview

For decades, individual “tribes” of artificial intelligence researchers have vied with one another for dominance. Is the time ripe now for tribes to collaborate? They may be forced to, as collaboration and algorithm blending are the only ways to reach true artificial general intelligence (AGI). Here’s a look back at how machine learning methods have evolved and what the future may look like.

What are the five tribes?

Symbolists



Use symbols, rules, and logic to represent knowledge and draw logical inference

Favored algorithm
Rules and decision trees

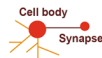
Bayesians



Assess the likelihood of occurrence for probabilistic inference

Favored algorithm
Naive Bayes or Markov

Connectionists



Recognize and generalize patterns dynamically with matrices of probabilistic, weighted neurons

Favored algorithm
Neural networks

Evolutionaries



Generate variations and then assess the fitness of each for a given purpose

Favored algorithm
Genetic programs

Analogizers



Optimize a function in light of constraints (“going as high as you can while staying on the road”)

Favored algorithm
Support vectors