INTRODUCTORY APPLIED MACHINE LEARNING

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Today:

- What is machine learning?
- Course logistics

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What is Machine Learning?

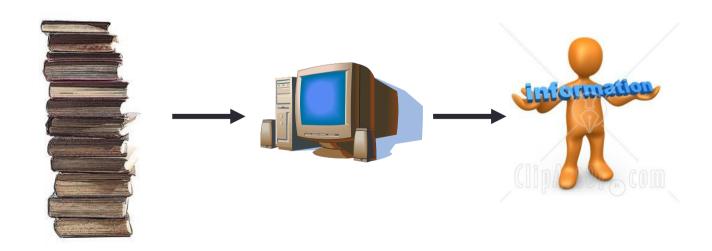
 Getting computers to program themselves – let the computer learns from the data instead!



 Compared with the traditional programming, in which "programmers" create a set of instructions to computers to perform specific operations

What is Machine Learning? (Cont'd)

- The study of computer algorithms that improve their performance automatically through experience
- Typically the algorithm has some parameters whose values are learnt from the data



Traditional vs. Machine Learning Programming

Traditional Programming

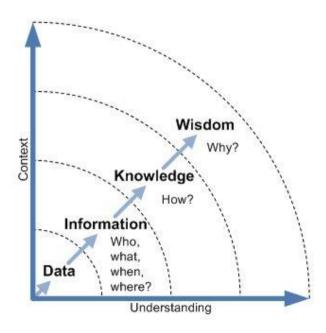


Machine Learning

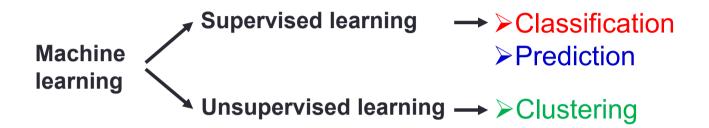


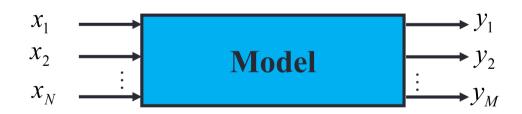
Problems Machine Learning Can Solve

- Machine learning algorithms can be used to estimate information from a set of data
- It cannot answer "how" and "why" questions



Types of Learning Task





Input Variables: $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_N)$

Output Variables: $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, ..., y_K)$

Example 1: Linear Regression

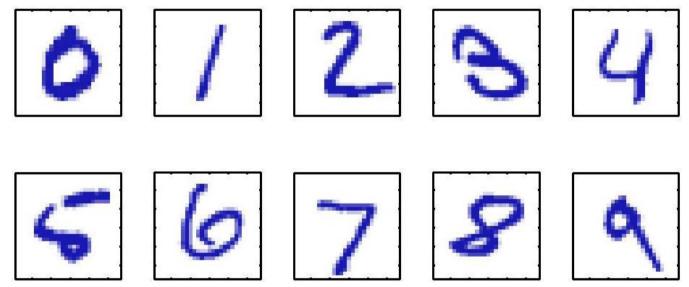
Observation $\begin{bmatrix} x_{11}^{(1)} & \cdots & x_{1M}^{(M)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{N1}^{(1)} & \cdots & x_{NM}^{(M)} \end{bmatrix} \implies \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix}$

$$y_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_M x_{iM}$$

where
$$x_i = [x_{i1}, ..., x_{iM}]$$

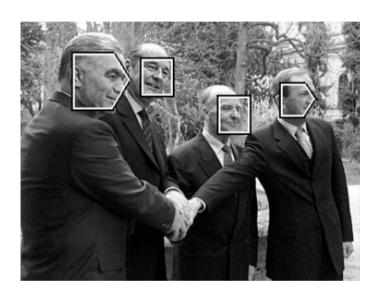
- The parameters $\beta_0, ..., \beta_M$ are determined by minimizing a cost function
- Usual cost function is $\sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i f(x_i))^2$ over observations

Example 2: Handwritten Number Recognition



- Images are 28 x 28 pixels
- Represent input image as a vector $x \in \Re^{784}$. Learn a classifier f(x) such that $f: x \to \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$
- One of first commercial and widely used machine learning systems (for zip codes & checks)

Example 3: Face Detection





- Classify an image window into three classes:
 - Non-face
 - Frontal-face
 - Profile-face

Example 4: Stock Price Prediction



- Exponential Moving Average (EMA): A type of moving average that gives more weightage to the most recent values while not discarding the older observation entirely
- $EMA(t) = \alpha \cdot Price(t-1) + (1-\alpha) \cdot EMA(t-1)$

Example 5: Translation





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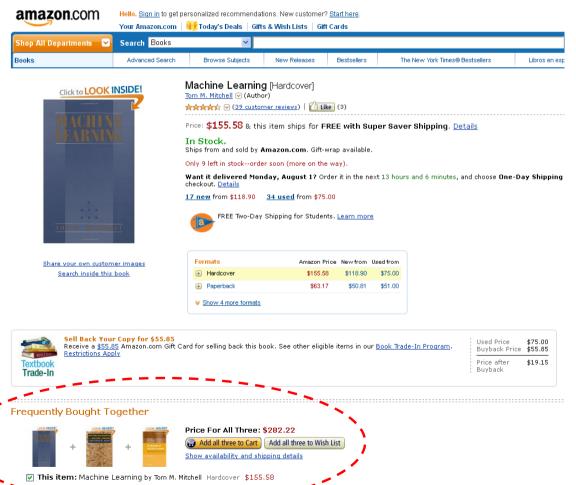
Time Score From

Example 6: Spam Classification

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Subject

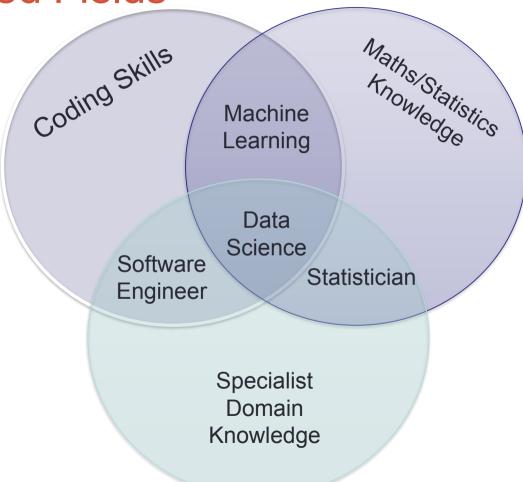
Example 7: Recommender System



More Examples

- Science (Medical imaging, bio-informatics)
- Retail (Stock control, demographic store placement)
- Manufacturing (Quality control, automated monitoring)
- Health care (Scheduling)
- Security (Intelligent smoke alarms, fraud detection)
- Marketing (Targeting promotions)
- Management (Timetabling)
- Finance (Credit scoring, risk analysis...)

Related Fields



Math Level

- Machine learning generally involves a significant amount of mathematical manipulation
- This course aims to keep the math level to a minimum, explaining things more in terms of higher-level concepts, and developing understanding in a procedural way (e.g. how to program an algorithm)
- Prerequisites: calculus, linear algebra, and optimization

About You

- What is your name?
- Which lab and department are you from?
- What is your research?
- What do you expect to learn from this course?
- Do you have programming experience?
- What programming language are you familiar with?

Tentative Schedule

Week	Date		Event
1	9/24	9/27	Introduction / Basic statistics and math review
2	10/01	10/04	Linear regression
3	10/08	10/11	Overfitting
4	10/15	10/18	PCA, PCR, and PLSR
5	10/22	10/25	Ridge regression and LASSO
6	10/29	11/01	LDA
7	11/05	11/08	Support vector machine
8	11/12	11/15	Decision tree
9	11/19	11/22	Midterm exam
10	11/26	11/29	Project midterm check
11	12/03	12/06	Artificial neural network
12	12/10	12/13	K-nearest neighbor and naïve Bayesian
13	12/17	12/20	k-means and hierarchal clustering
14	12/24	12/27	Sparse coding
15	12/31	1/03	Project presentation
16	1/07	1/10	Final exam

Evaluation

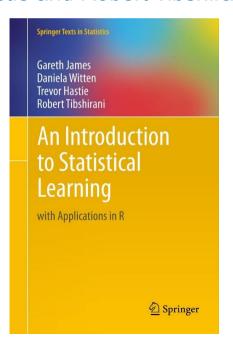
- Homework assignments: 60%
- Midterm exam: 10% (2 hrs)
- Final exam: 10% (2 hrs)
- Final project: 20% (presentation and report)
 - Level of challenge: 10%
 - Midterm presentation: 3%
 - Final presentation + report: 7%
- A 20% per day penalty will be applied to LATE homework, and mid-term or final report

Course Policy

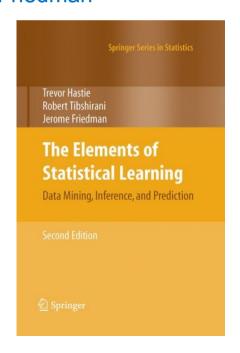
- Academic dishonesty:
 - First time a student is found guilty of academic dishonesty, the penalty is a zero on the exam or report
 - All other academic dishonesty cases will be reported to the university
- Homework collaboration:
 - Copying from any outside sources (e.g., fellow students, Internet, etc.) on any material to be graded is not permitted, and will be considered cheating

Textbooks

- An Introduction to Statistical Learning
- James, Daniela Witten, Trevor Hastie and Robert Tibshirani

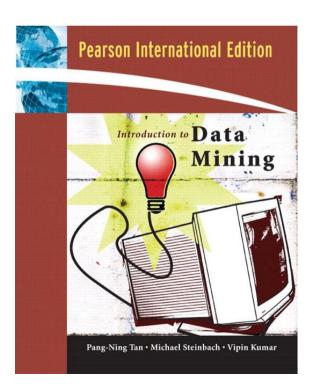


- The Elements of Statistical Learning
 - Hastie, Tibshirani, and Friedman



Textbooks (Cont'd)

- Introduction to Data Mining
 - Tan, Steinbach, and Kumar

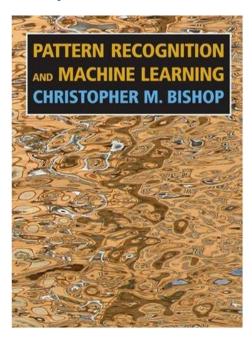


Reference Books

- Machine Learning
 - Mitchell
 - Very good for self-learning



- Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning
 - Bishop
 - Very nice theoretical book



Online Machine Learning Course

- Statistical Learning, Standford, Trevor Hastie and Rob Tibshirani
 - http://online.stanford.edu/course/statistical-learning-winter-2014
- Machine Learning, Coursera, Andrew Ng https://www.coursera.org/course/ml
- Neural Networks for Machine Learning, Coursera, Geoffrey Hinton
 - https://www.coursera.org/course/neuralnets

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