



CS135

Introduction to Machine Learning

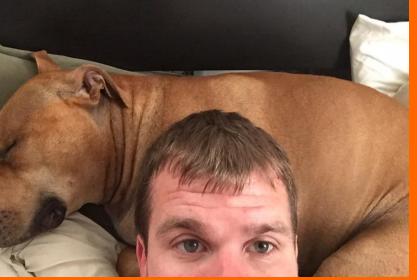
Lecture 0: Course Outline & Intro to ML

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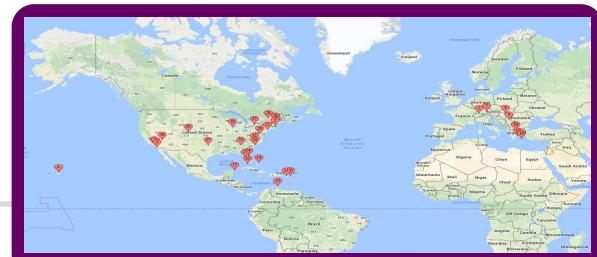
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Synergetic Media Learning Lab

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DIGITAL VIDEO RETRIEVAL at NIST

Academics and Research



Day in a life



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My Career Path: In a Nutshell



2nd Co-op

Raytheon
BBN Technologies

Summer 2010



RESEARCH EXPERIENCES FOR UNDERGRADUATES

1st Co-op



Undergrad



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Grad Internships



Grad Support



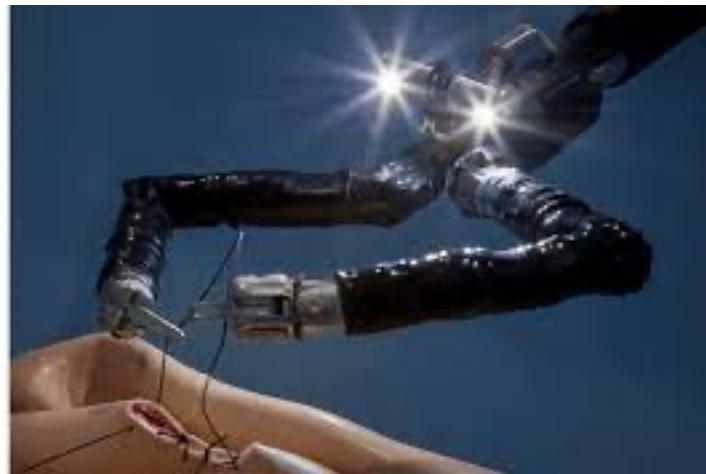
ALERT
AWARENESS AND LOCALIZATION
OF EXPLOSIVES-RELATED THREATS



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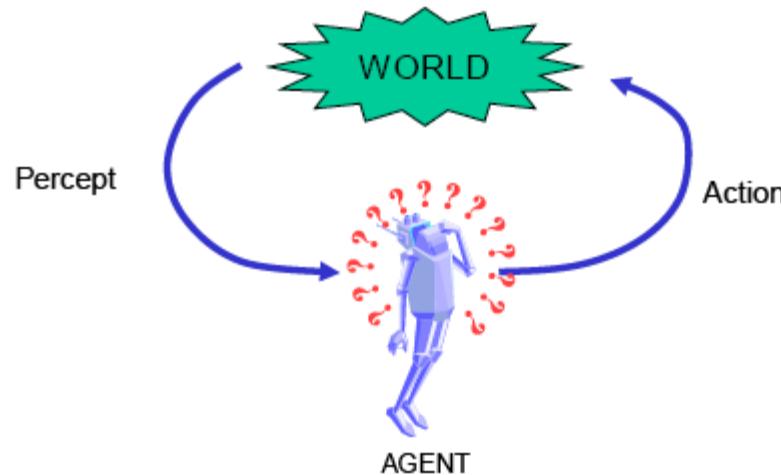
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Intelligence

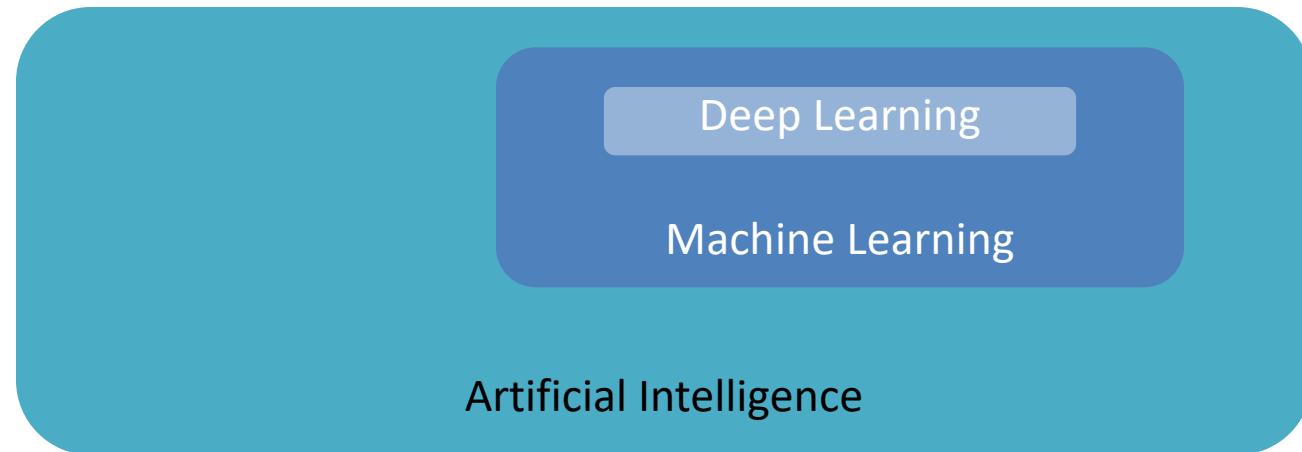
- Ability for abstract thought, understanding, communication, reasoning, planning, emotional intelligence, problem solving, **learning**
- The ability to learn and/or adapt is generally considered a hallmark of intelligence



What is Artificial Intelligence?

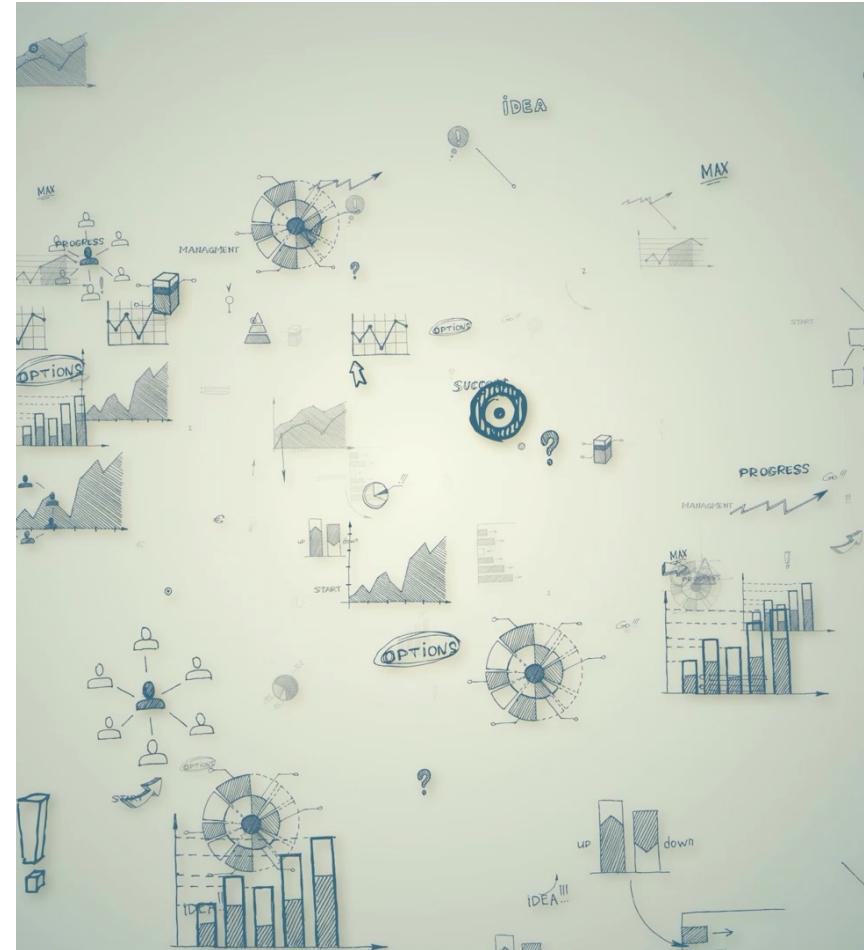
- Historical definition (Dartmouth Workshop on AI, 1956):

“The study of the conjecture that every aspect of learning or any other feature of intelligence can in principle be so precisely described that a machine can be made to simulate it.”



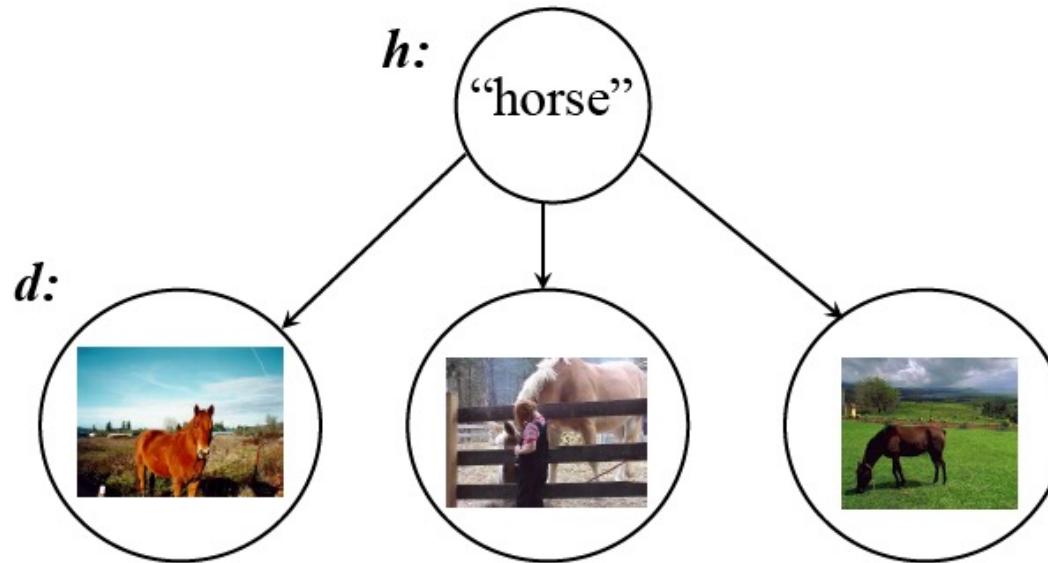
What is Machine Learning?

- **Machine learning** is a set of methods that automatically detect data patterns.
- These uncovered patterns are then used to predict future data or to perform other kinds of decision-making under uncertainty.
- The fundamental premise is *learning from data!!*

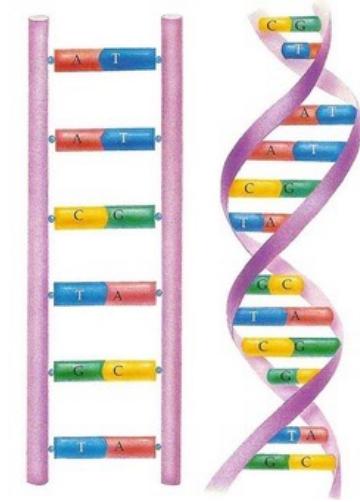
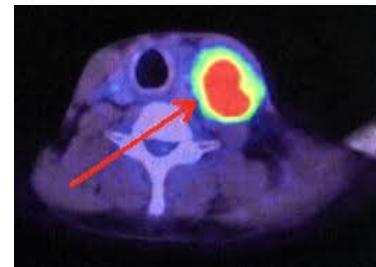
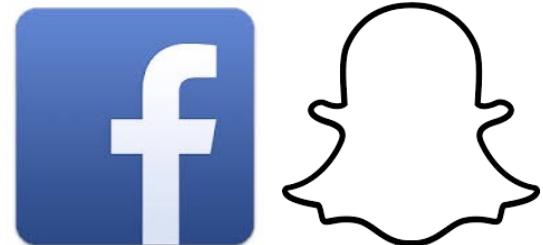


What is Machine Learning?

- “Machine learning studies the process of constructing abstractions (features, concepts, functions, relations and ways of acting) automatically from data.”



The data all around us



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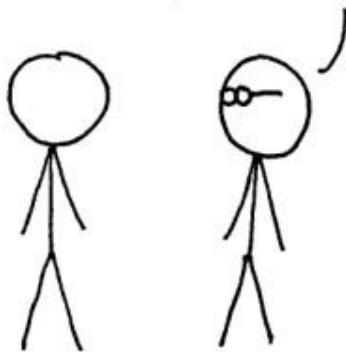
Machine Learning to the rescue

- Machine Learning is one of the front-line technologies to handle Information Overload
- **Business**
 - Mining correlations, trends, and spatio-temporal predictions.
 - Efficient supply chain management.
 - Opinion mining and sentiment analysis.
 - Recommender systems.



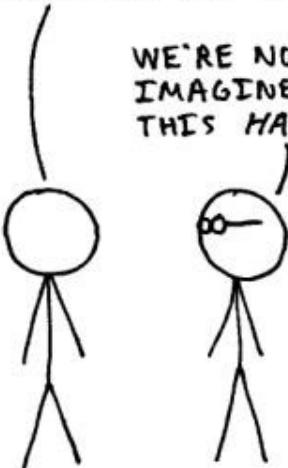
Keep the problem(s) in mind

WE HAVE THIS AWESOME DATA ON {INSERT MOUTH-WATERING DESCRIPTION OF DATA}! WE CLEANED IT UP AND WE'RE RUNNING {SOPHISTICATED ANALYSIS} ON IT. WE SEE {STORY ABOUT FASCINATING PATTERNS}. ISN'T THAT COOL?!

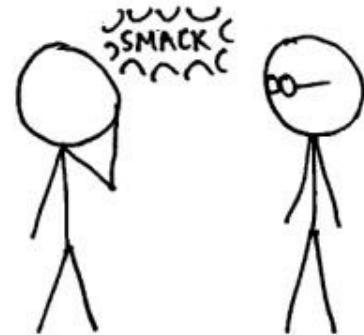


BOOYAH! THAT SOUNDS LIKE SO MUCH FUN!
WHY ARE YOU DOING IT?

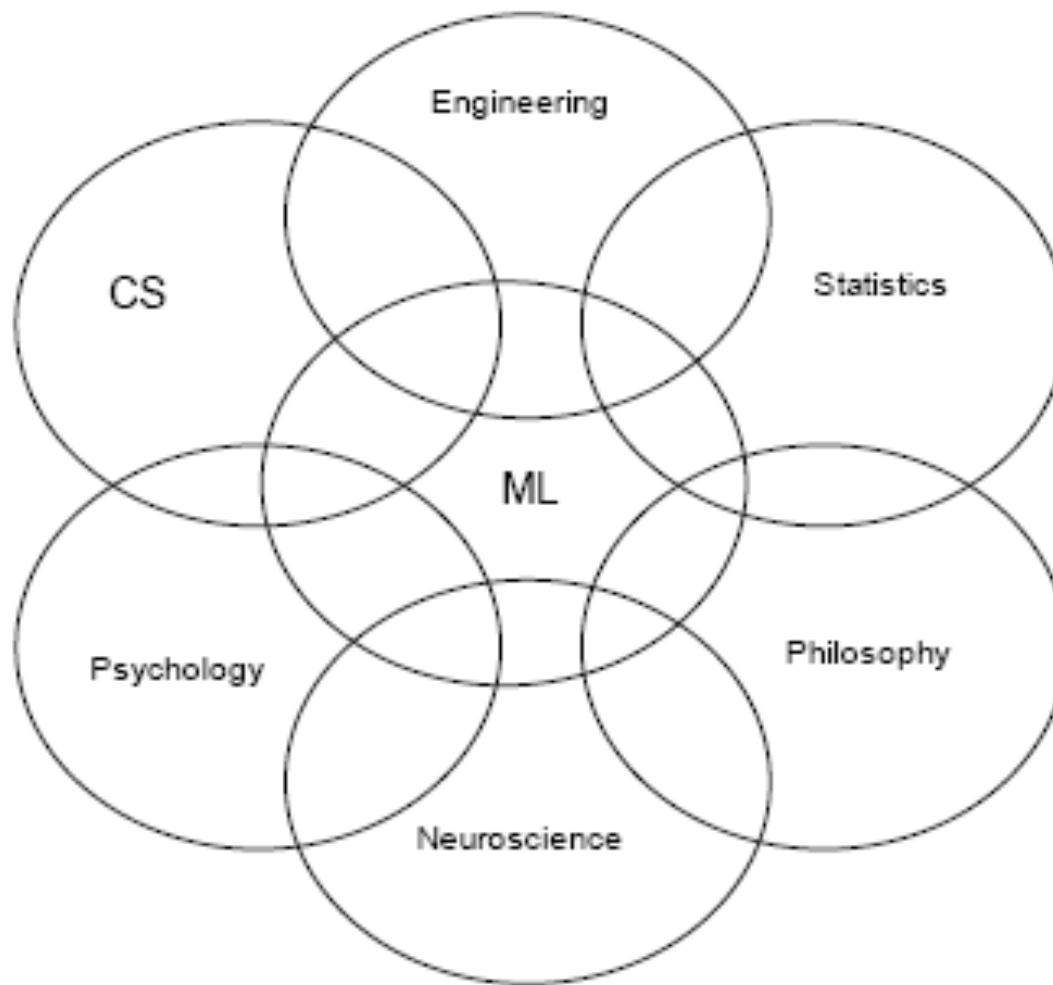
WE'RE NOT SURE YET, BUT IMAGINE THE POSSIBILITIES!
THIS HAS TO BE VALUABLE!



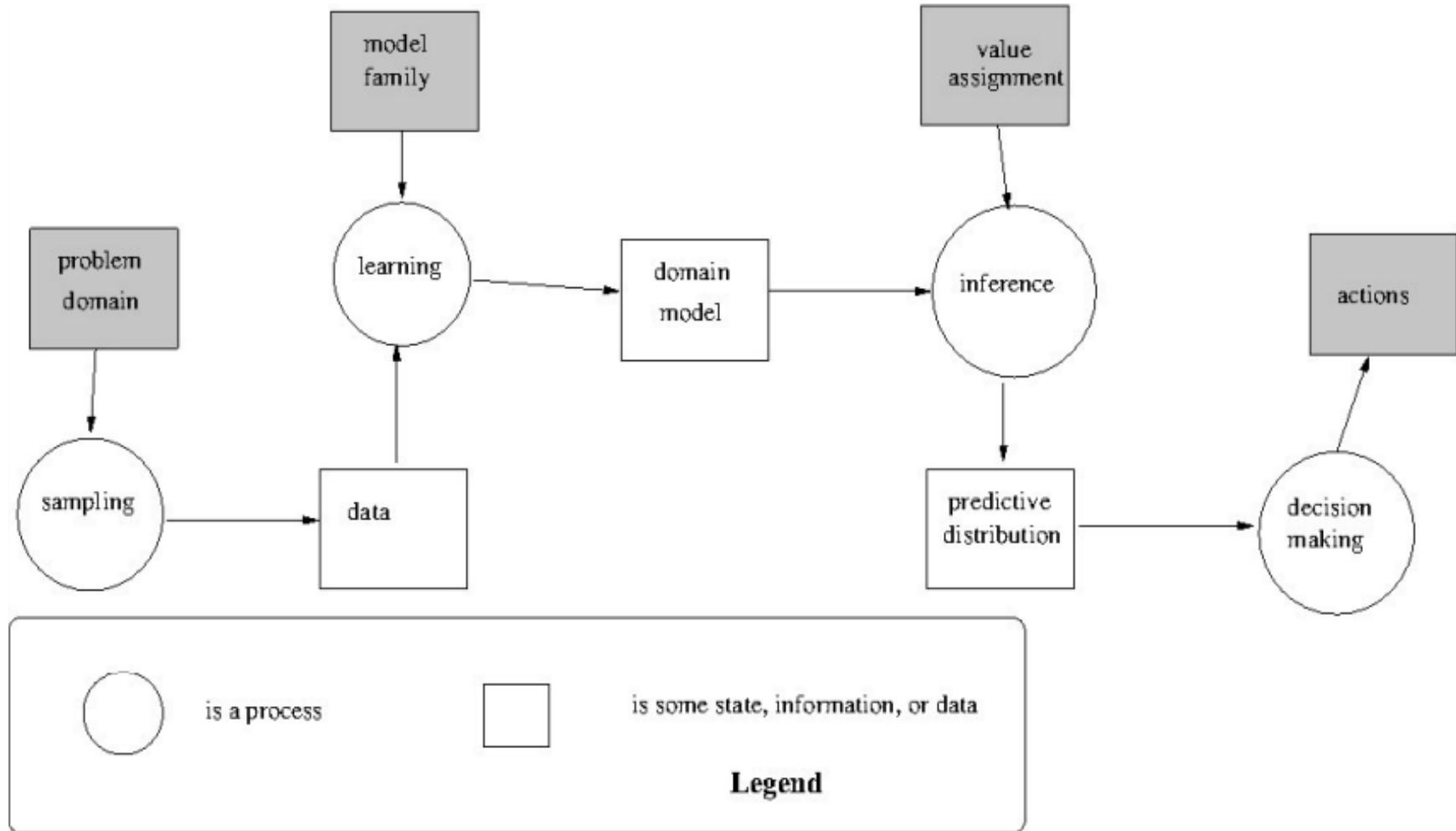
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Fields related to Machine Learning



Machine Learning Process



Learning (Formally)

- **Task**
 - To apply some machine learning method to the data obtained from a given domain (*Training Data*)
 - The domain has some characteristics, which we are trying to learn (*Model*)
- **Objective**
 - To minimise the error in prediction
- **Types of Learning**
 - Supervised Learning
 - Unsupervised Learning
 - Semi-Supervised Learning
 - Active Learning

Supervised Learning

- Classification / Regression problem
- Where some samples of data (Training data) with the correct class labels are provided.
 - i.e. Some correspondence between input (X) & output (Y) given
- Using knowledge from training data, the classifier/regressor model is learnt
 - i.e. Learn some function $f : f(X) = Y$
- f may be probabilistic/deterministic
- Learning the model \equiv Fitting the parameters of model to minimise prediction error
- Model can then be tested on test-data

Regression

Regression

- Linear regression

- Example: Price of a used car

- x : car attributes

- y : price

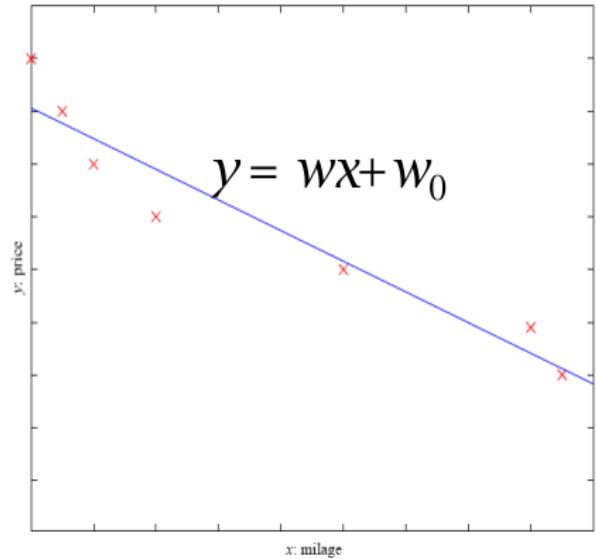
$$y = g(x, \theta)$$

- $g(\cdot)$ model,

- $\theta = (w, w_0)$ parameters (slope and intercept)

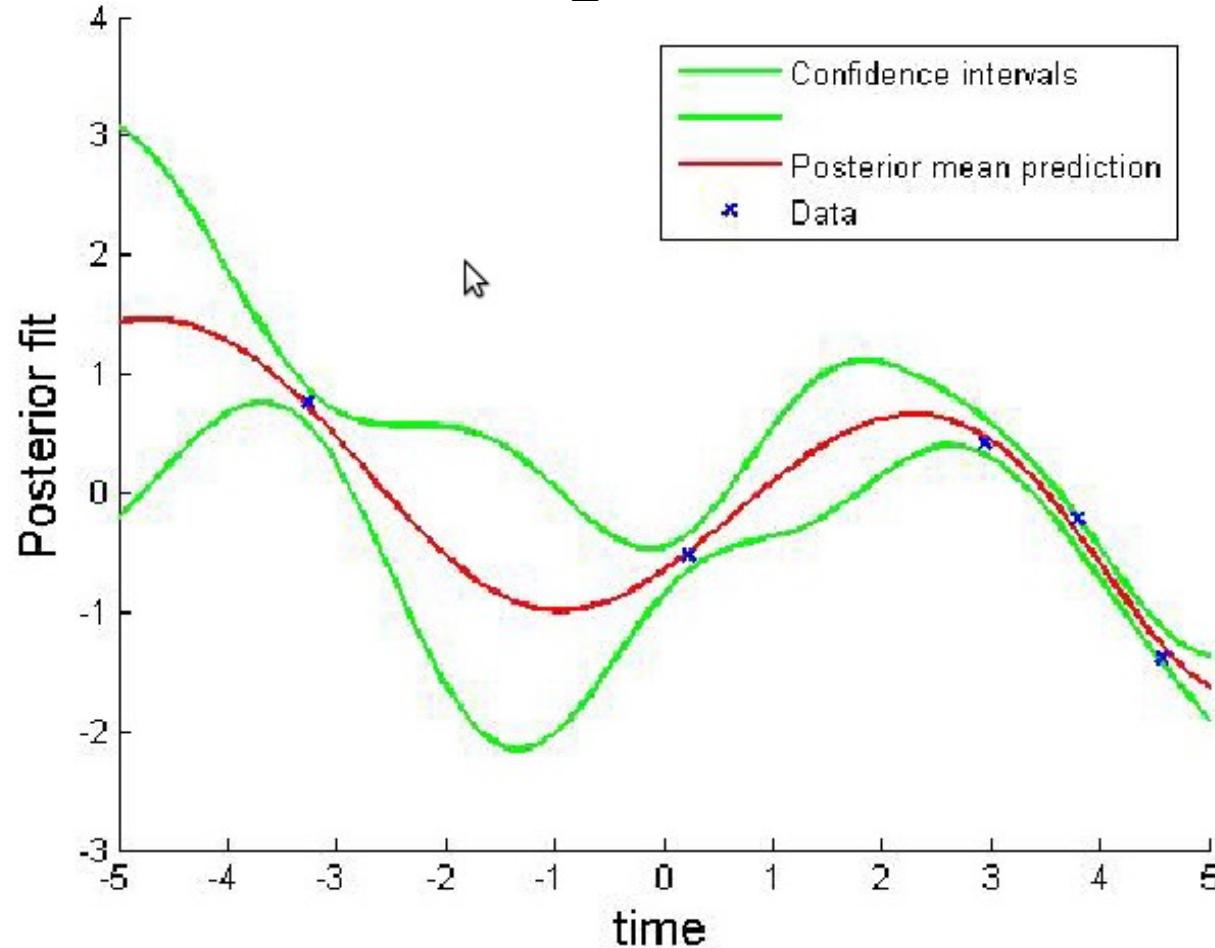
- Uses

- Stock Prediction
- Outlier detection

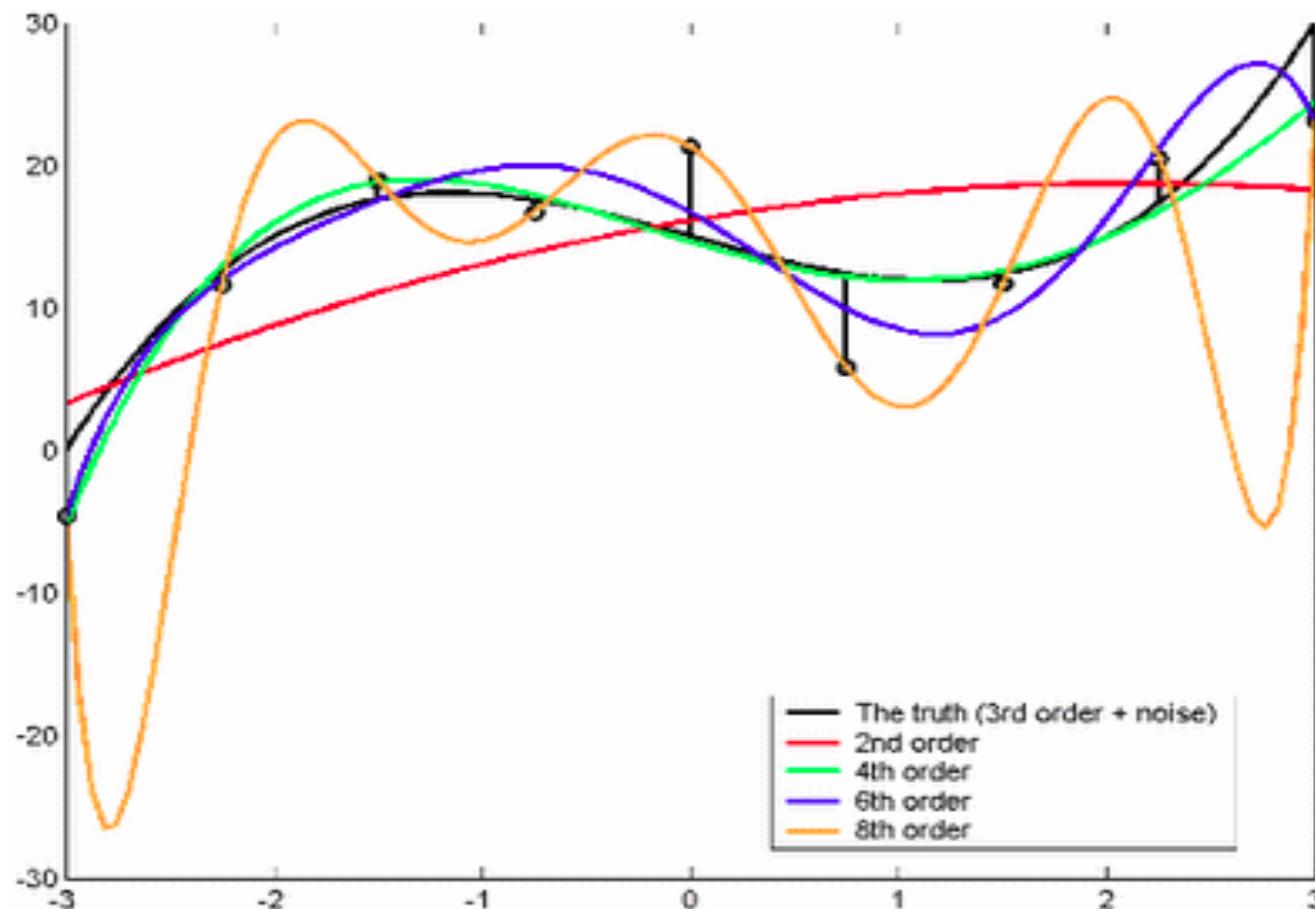


Regression

- Non Linear regression



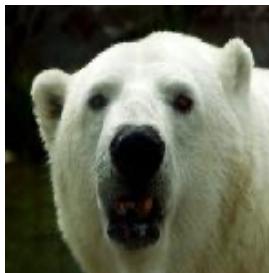
All models are not good



- Constrain the parameters

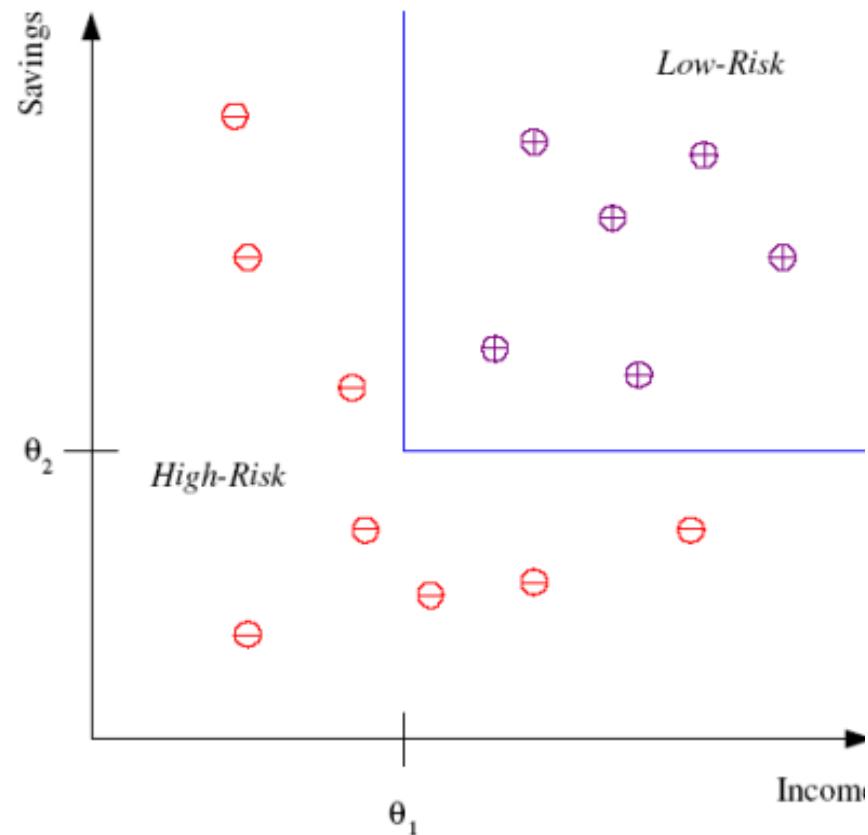
Classification

Supervised Classification example

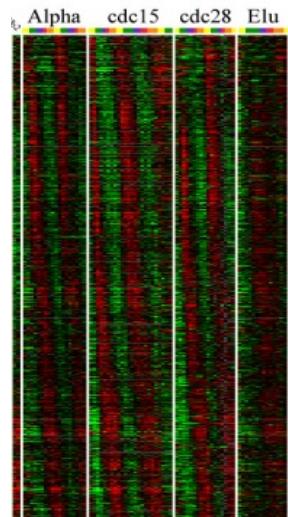
	f1	f2	f3	f4	Class label
d1					BearHead
d2					???
d3					LionHead

Classification

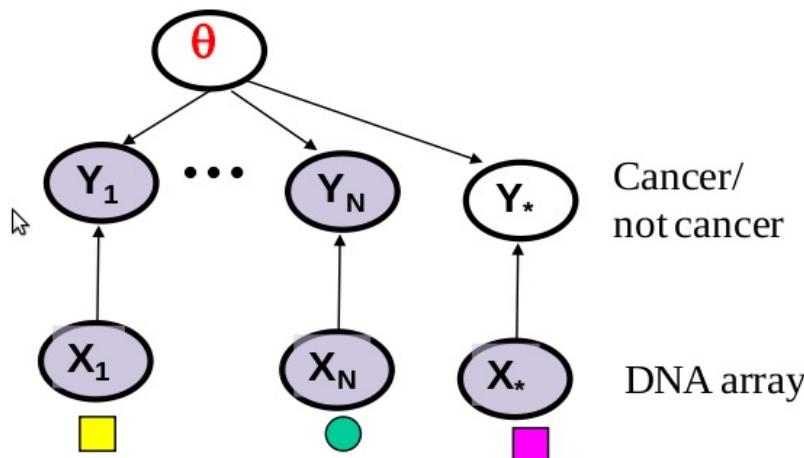
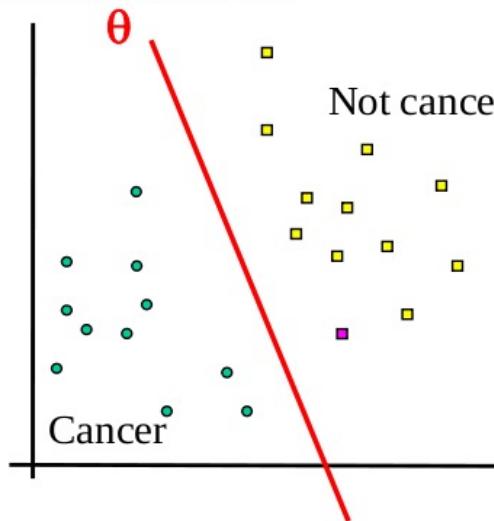
- Example:
 - Credit Scoring
- Goal:
 - Differentiating between high-risk and low-risk customers based on their income and savings
- Discriminant:
 - IF **income** > θ_1 , AND **savings** > θ_2 , THEN **low-risk** ELSE **high-risk**
- Discriminant is called '**hypothesis**'
- Input attribute space is called '**Feature Space**'
- Here Input data is 2-dimensional and the output is binary



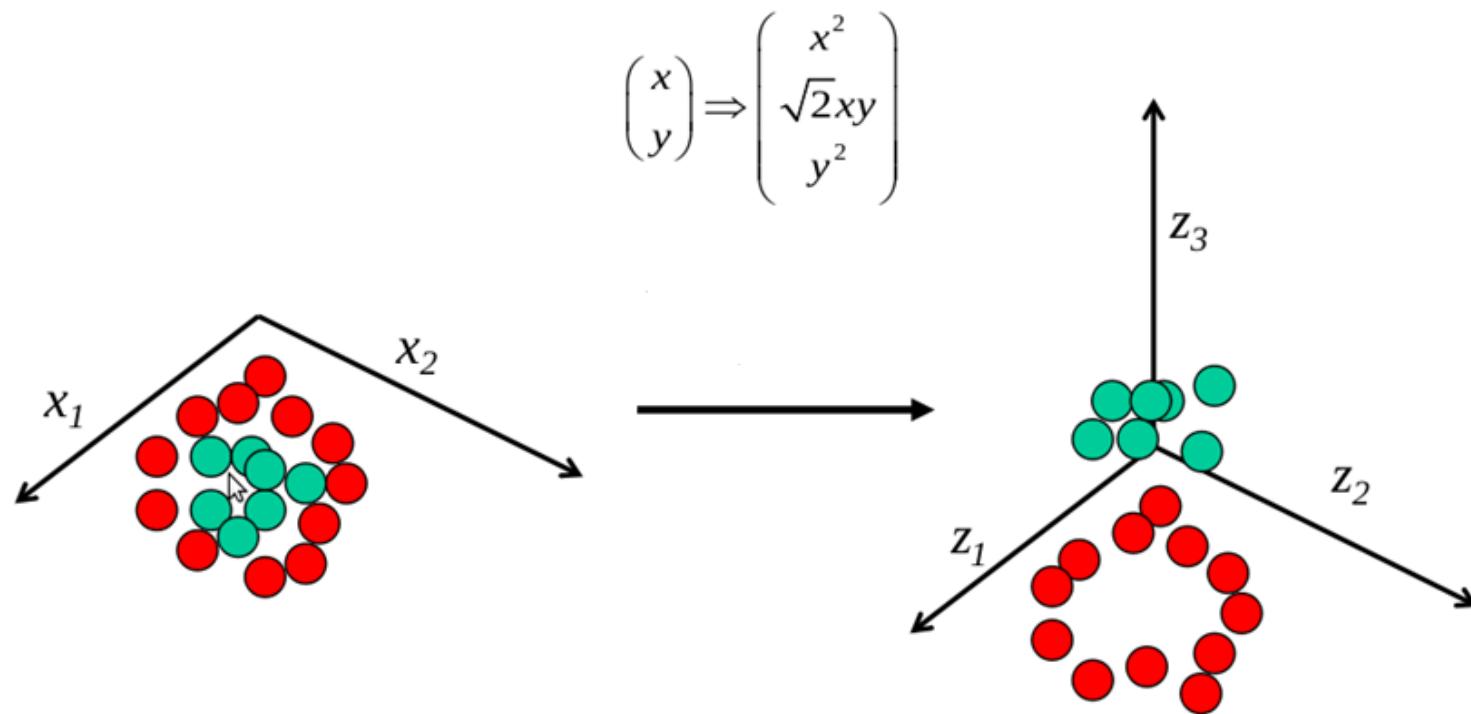
Other applications



Classification of DNA arrays



Building non-linear classifiers

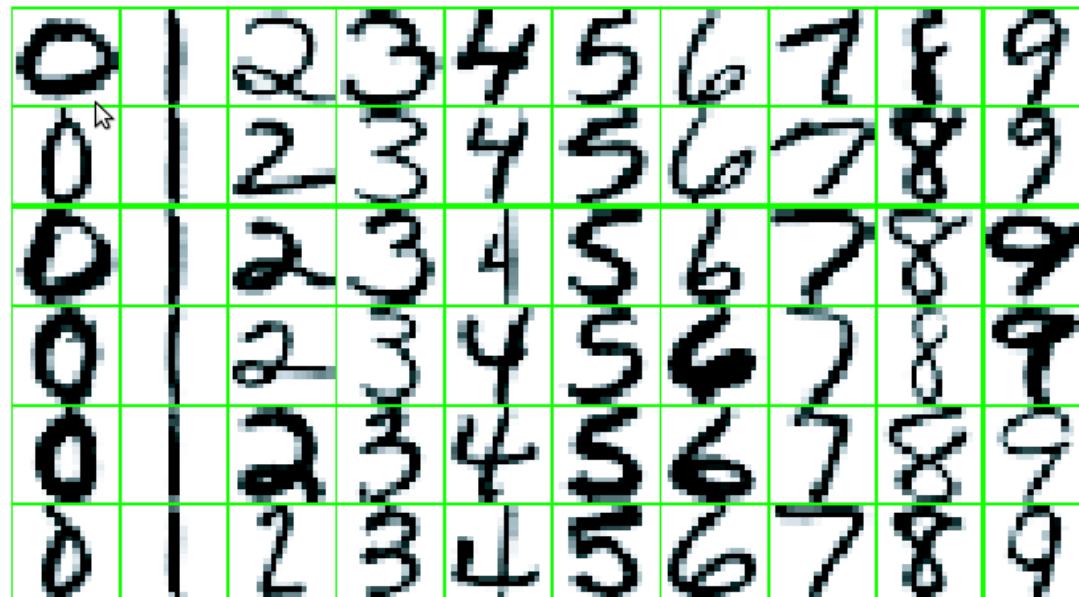


function implicitly maps from 2D to 3D,
making problem linearly separable

- Curse of dimensionality

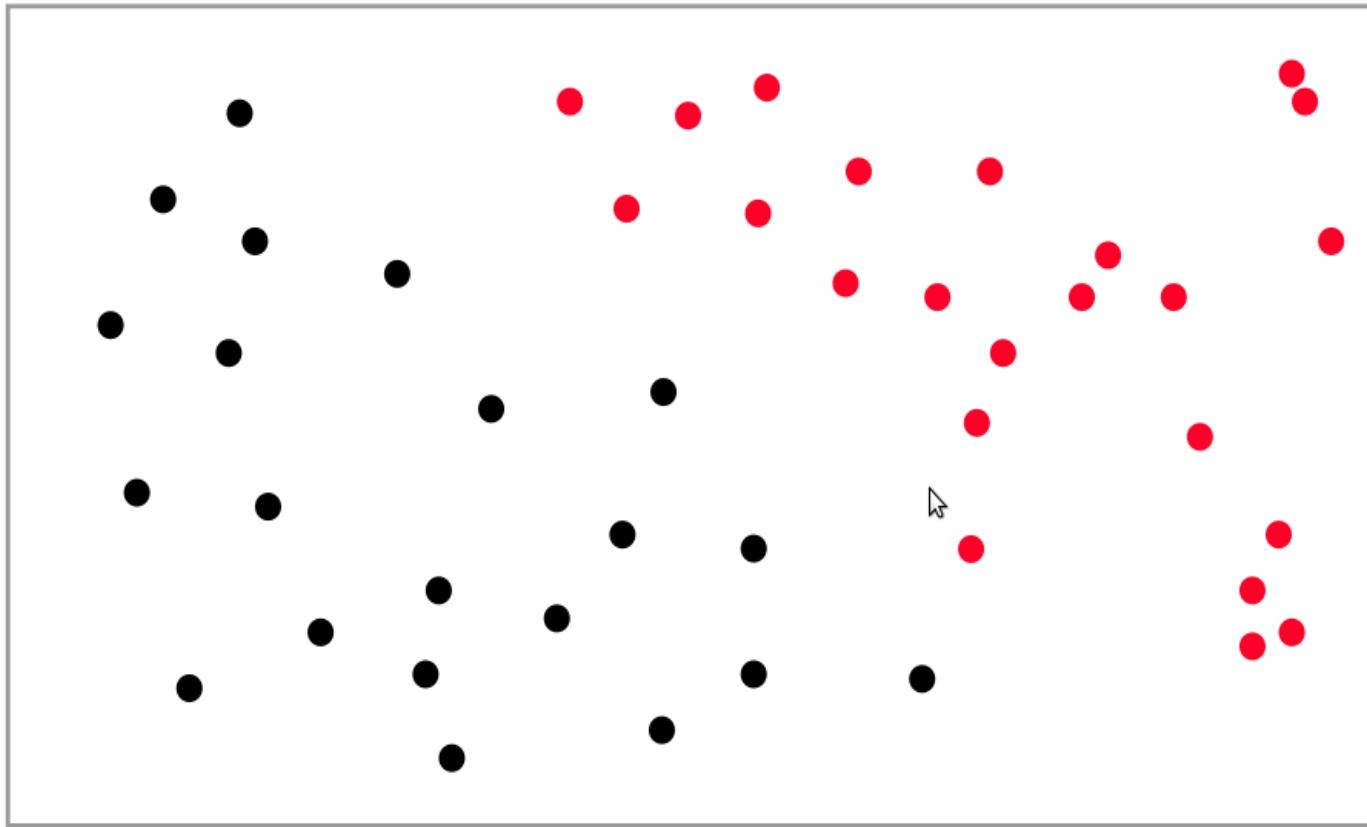
Application

Example: Handwritten digit
recognition for postal codes

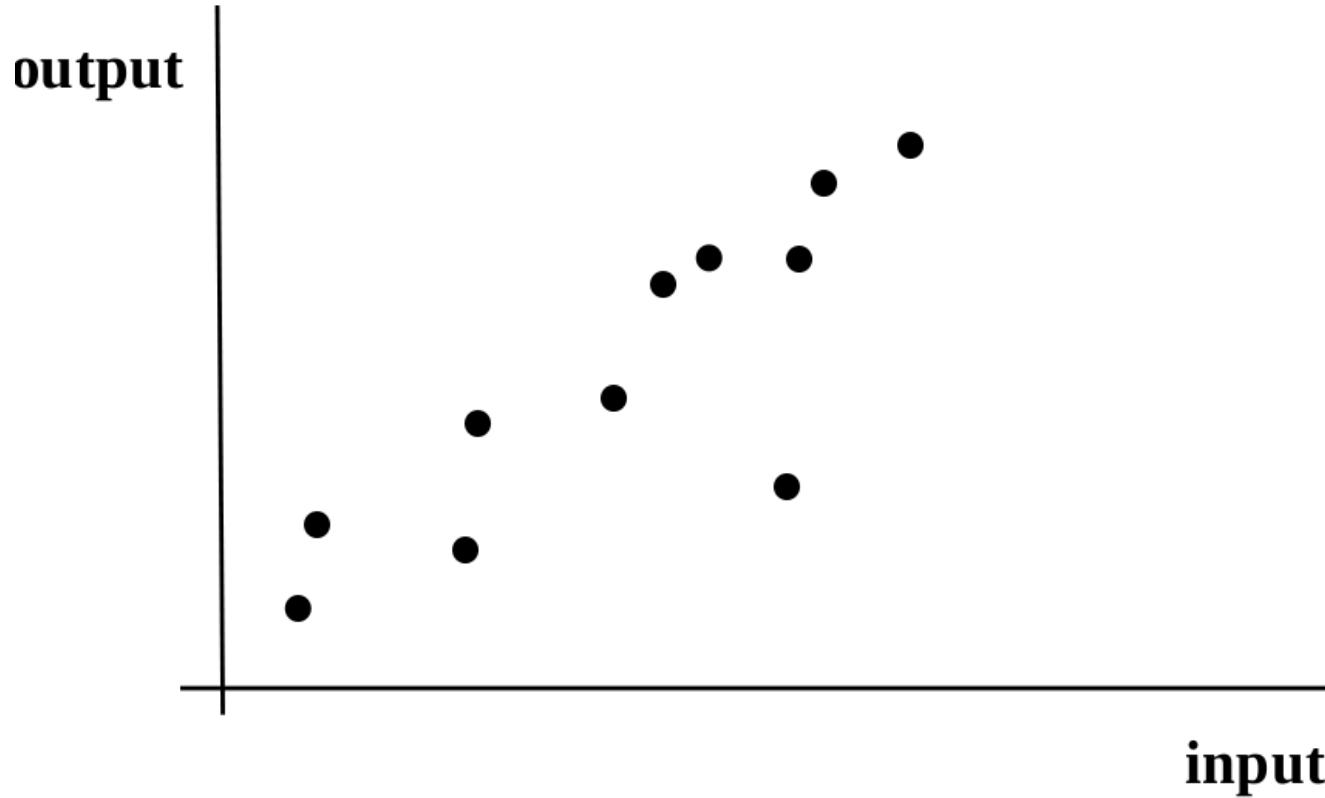


What is the right hypothesis?

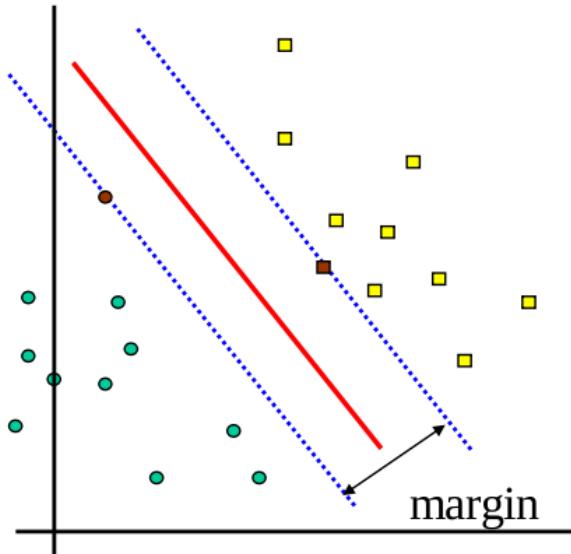
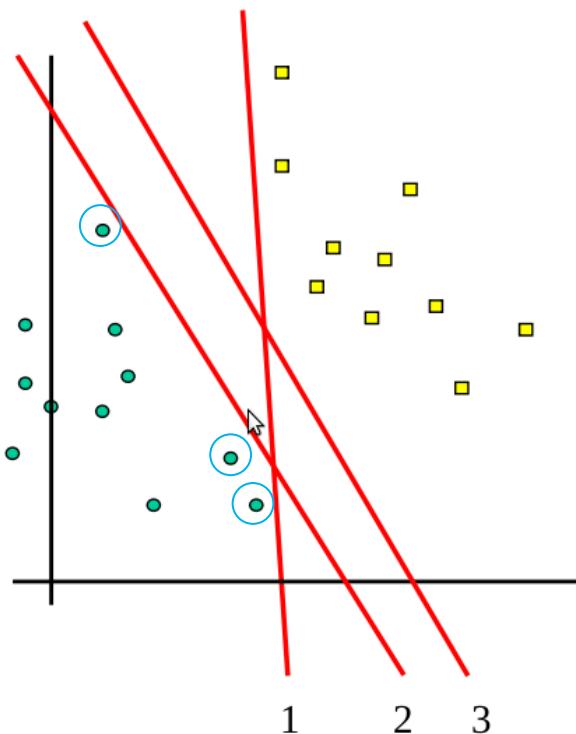
What is the correct hypothesis for this classification problem?



What is the correct hypothesis for this classification problem?



Which linear hypothesis is better?



- Max – Margin Classifier

Other considerations

- **Feature extraction:** which are the good features that characterize the data
- **Model selection:** picking the right model using some scoring/fitting function:
 - It is important not only to provide a good predictor but also to assess accurately how “good” the model is on unseen test data
 - So a good performance estimator is needed to rank the model
- **Model averaging:** Instead of picking a single model, it might be better to do a weighted average over the best-fit models

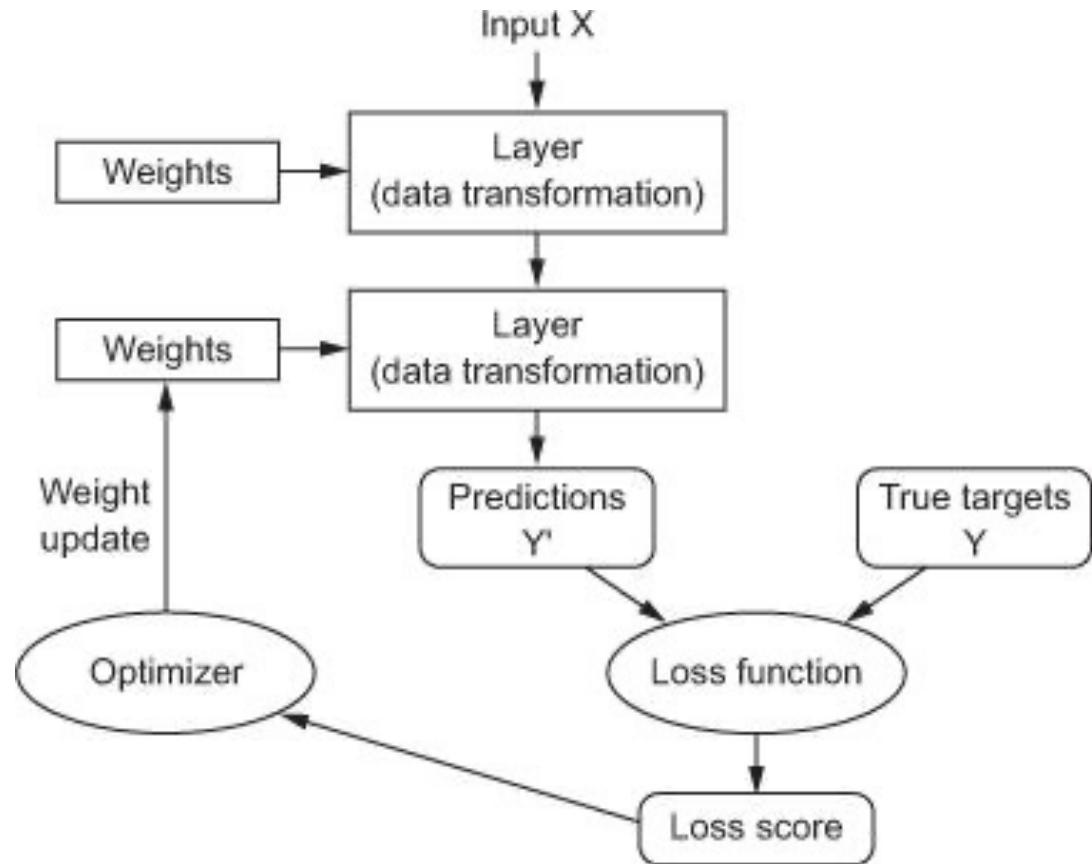
Which hypothesis is better?

- Unless you know something about the distribution of problems your learning algorithm will encounter, ***any hypothesis that agrees with all your data is as good as any other.***
- You have to make assumptions about the underlying features.
- Hence learning is inductive, not deductive.

Deep Learning

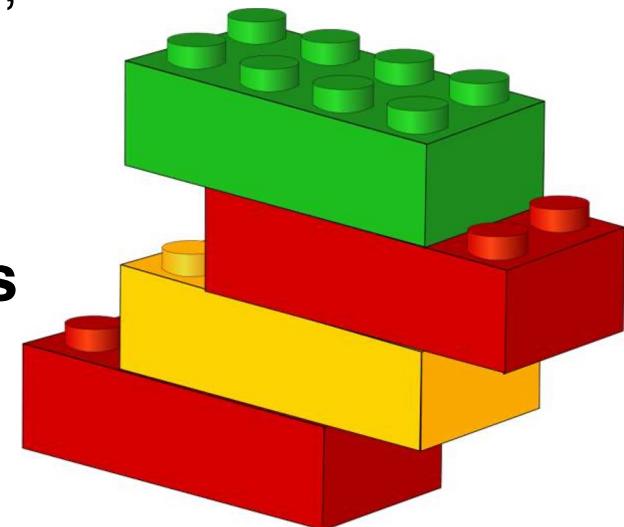
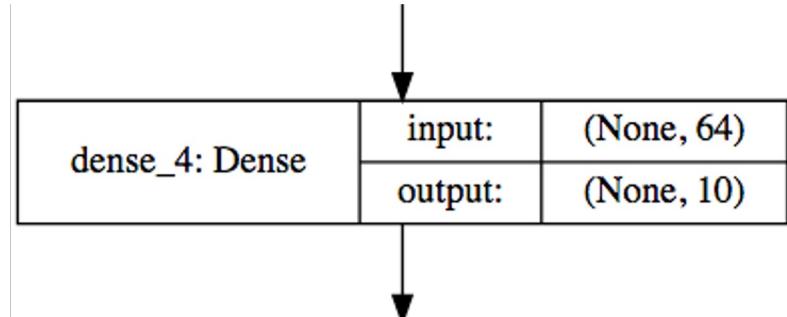
Anatomy of a deep neural network

- Layers
- Input data and targets
- Loss function
- Optimizer



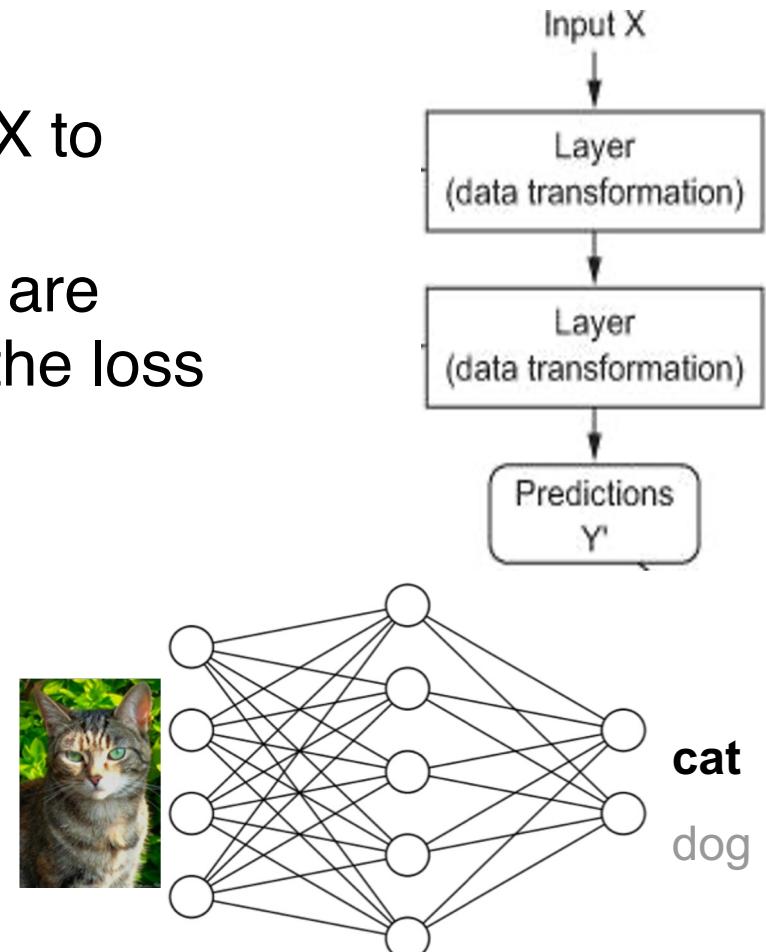
Layers

- Data processing modules
- Many different kinds exist
 - densely connected
 - convolutional
 - recurrent
 - pooling, flattening, merging, normalization, etc.
- Input: one or more tensors
output: one or more tensors
- Usually have a state, encoded as **weights**
 - learned, initially random
- When combined, form a **network** or a **model**



Input data and targets

- The network maps the input data X to predictions Y'
- During training, the predictions Y' are compared to true targets Y using the loss function

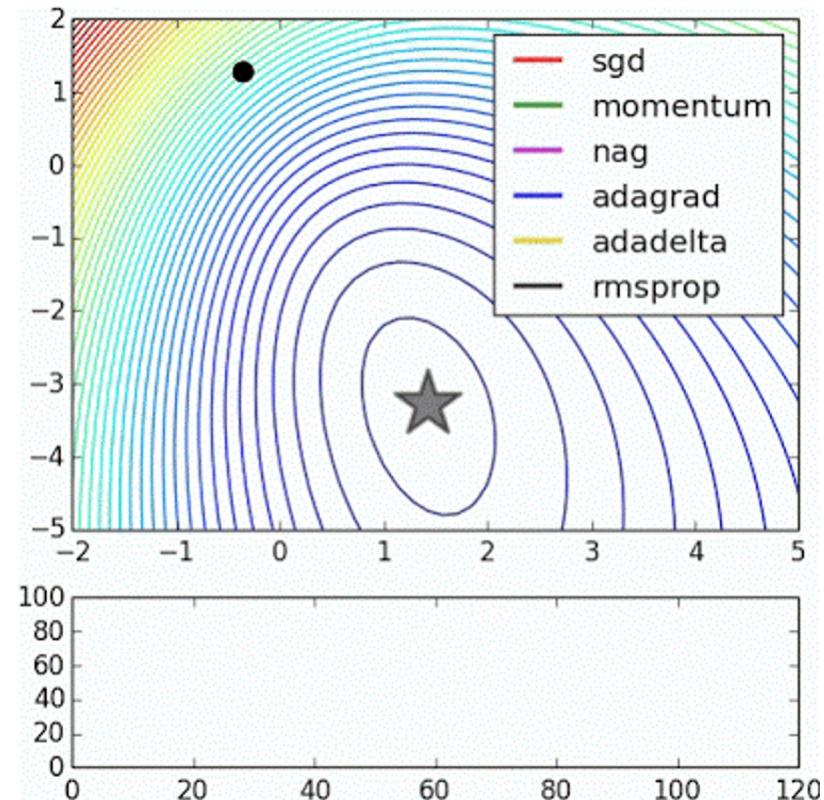


Loss function

- The quantity to be minimized (optimized) during training
 - the only thing **the network** cares about
 - there might also be other metrics **you** care about
- Common tasks have “standard” loss functions:
 - *mean squared error* for regression
 - *binary cross-entropy* for two-class classification
 - *categorical cross-entropy* for multi-class classification
 - etc.
- <https://lossfunctions.tumblr.com/>

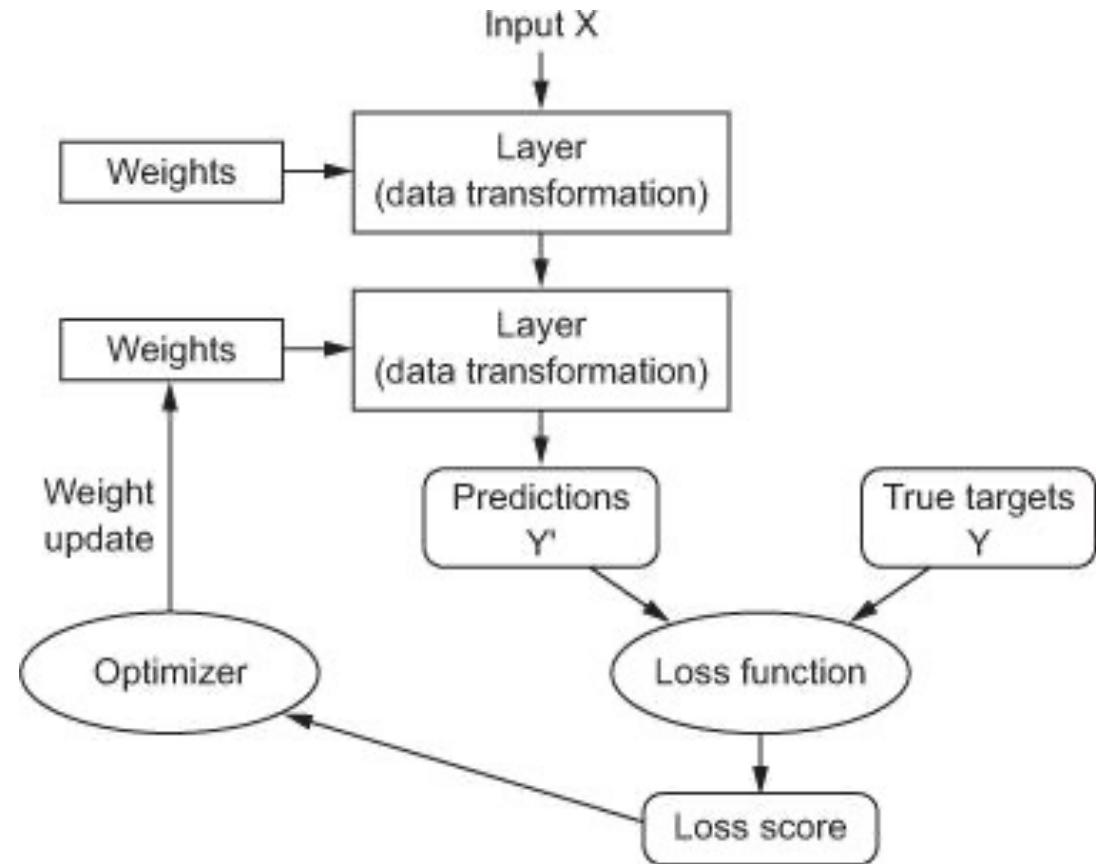
Optimizer

- How to update the weights based on the loss function
- *Learning rate (+scheduling)*
- Stochastic gradient descent, momentum, and their variants
 - RMSProp is usually a good first choice
 - more info: <http://ruder.io/optimizing-gradient-descent/>



Animation from: <https://imgur.com/s25RsOr>

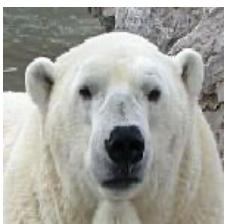
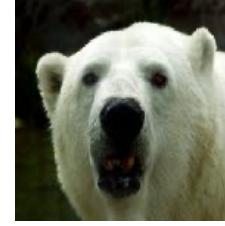
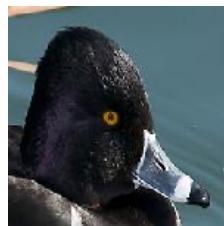
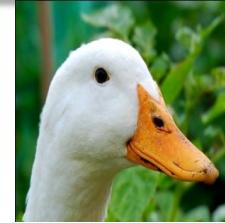
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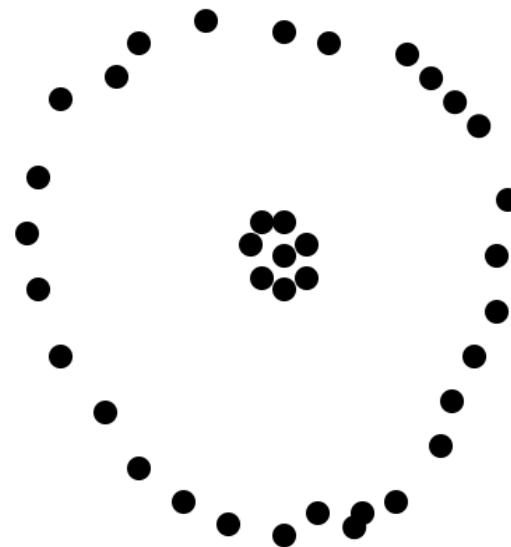
- Labels may be too expensive to generate or may be completely unknown
- There are lots of training data but with no class labels assigned to it



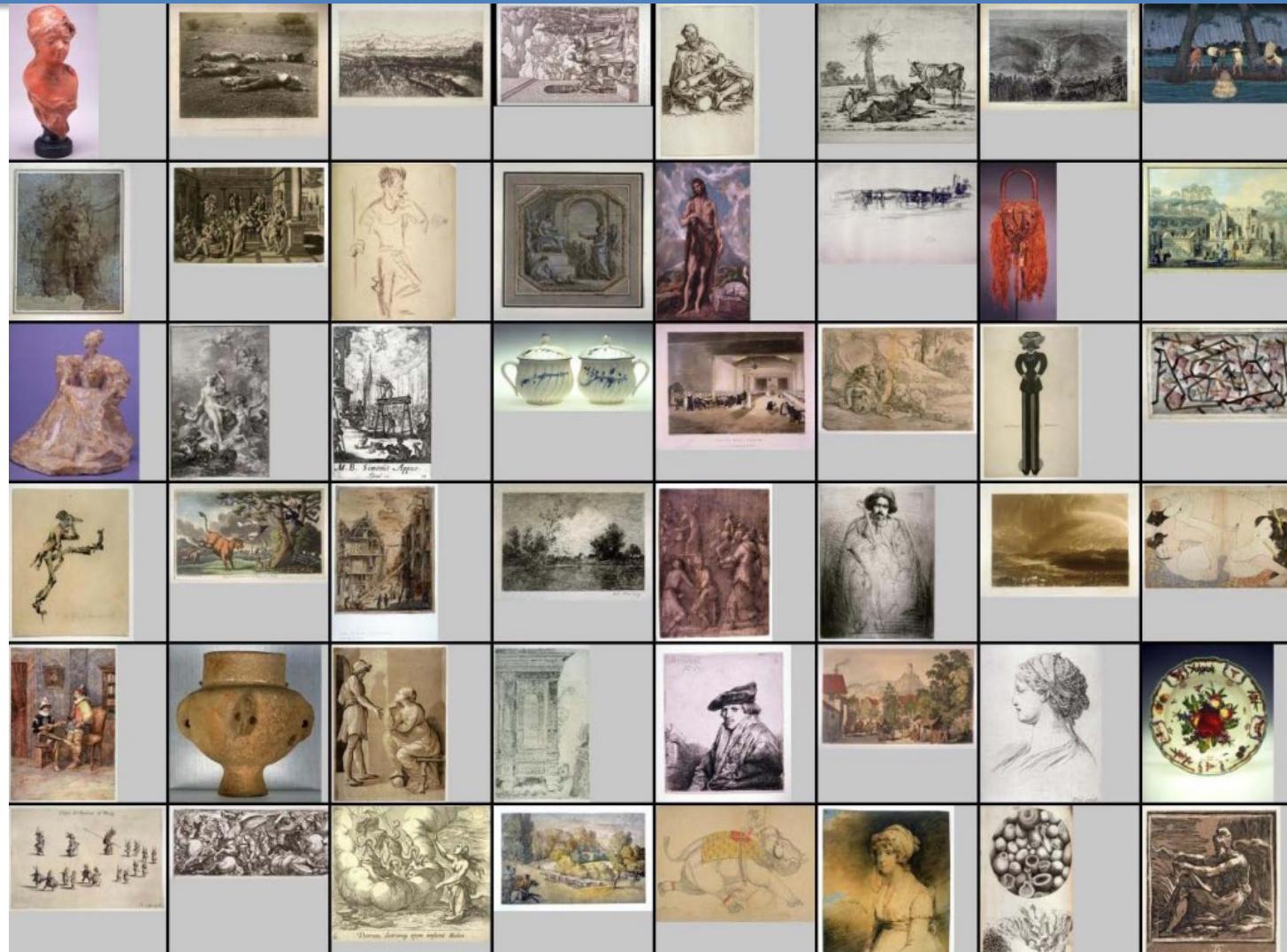
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Unsupervised Learning

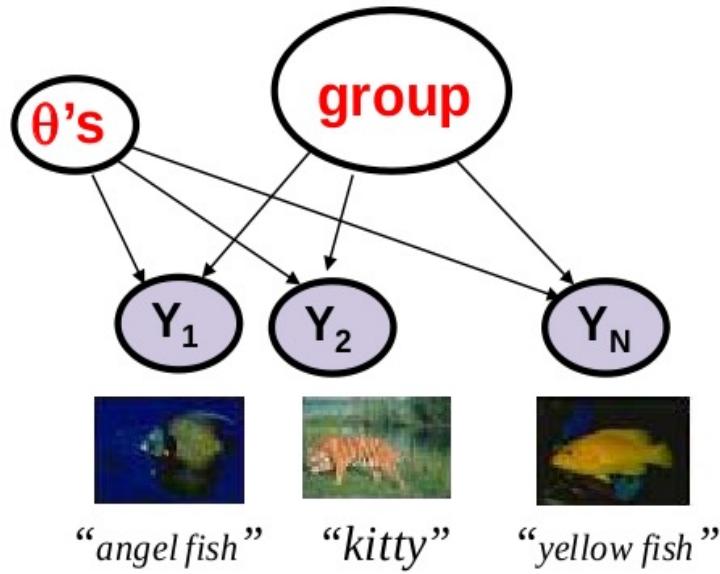
- For example clustering
- Clustering –
 - grouping similar objects
- Similar in which way?



Clustering

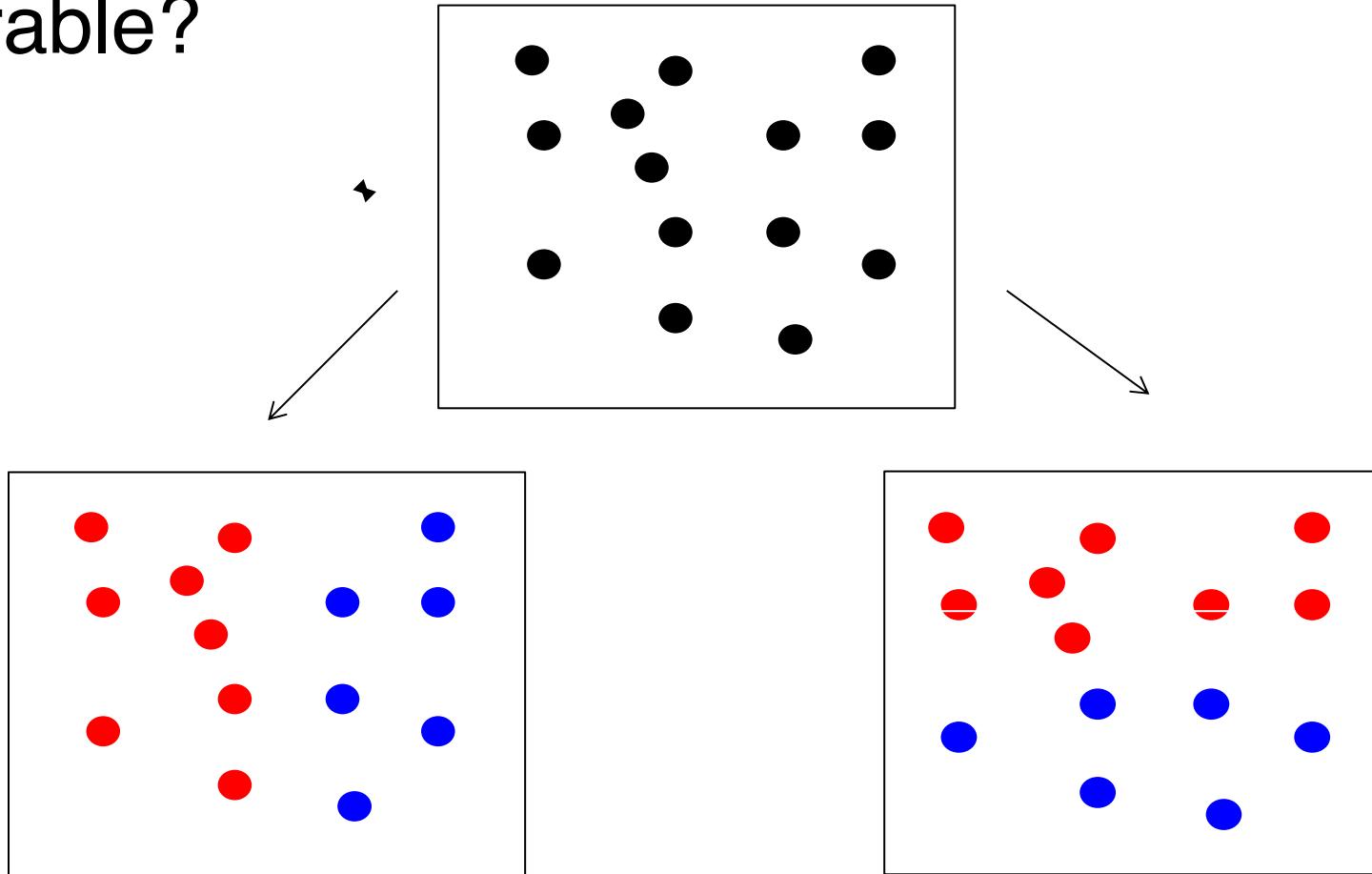


Clustering



Clustering Problems

- How to tell which type of clustering is desirable?



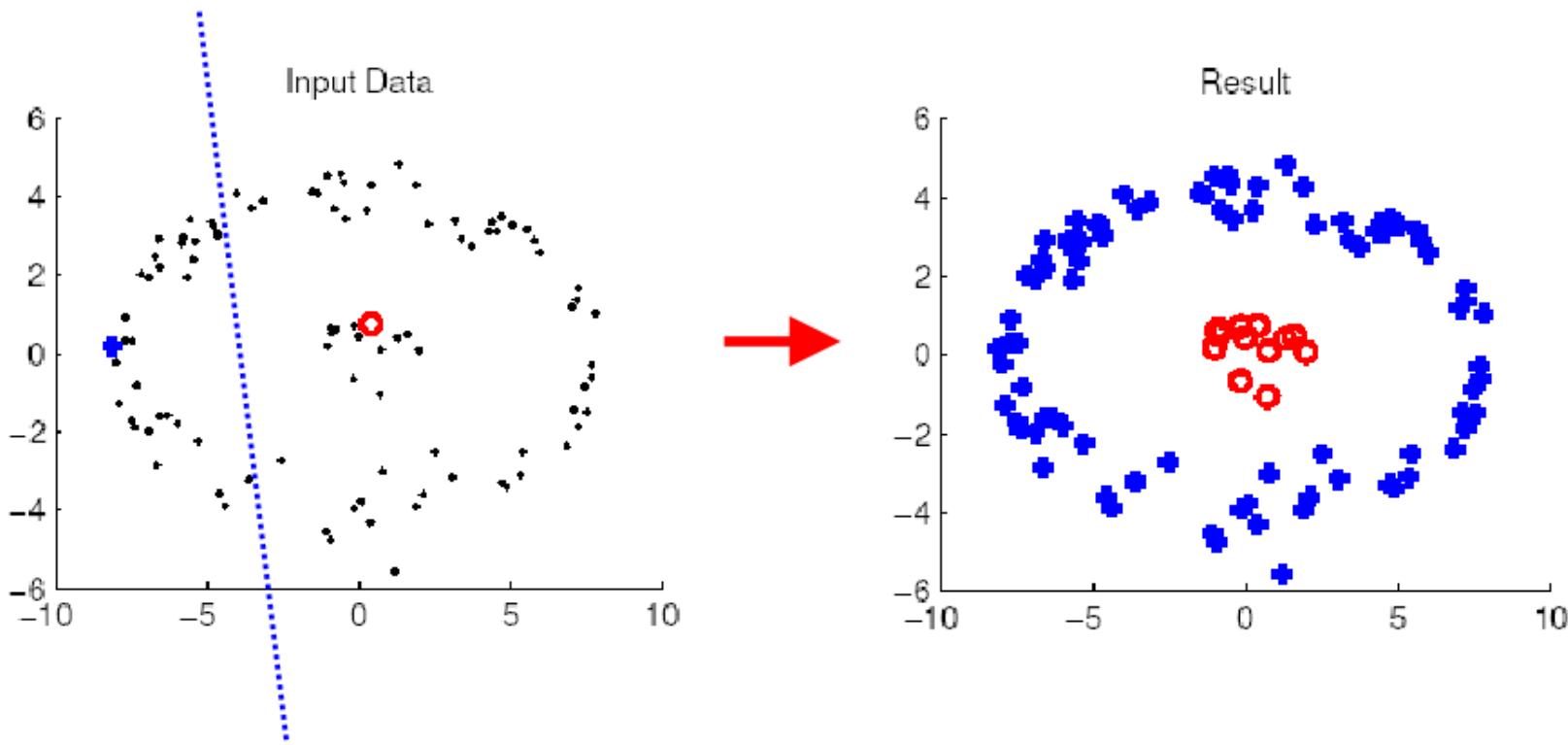
Semi-Supervised Learning

Semi-Supervised Learning

- Supervised learning + Additional unlabeled data
- Unsupervised learning + Additional labeled data
- **Learning Algorithm:**
 - Start from the labeled data to build an initial classifier
 - Use the unlabeled data to enhance the model
- **Some Techniques:**
 - Co-Training: two or more learners can be trained using an independent set of different features
 - Or to model the joint probability distribution of the features and labels.

Example

- ideally...



Semi-Supervised Learning

Recommended Books and Software

- ❑ Python for Data Analytics, W. McKinley, O'Reilly Media,
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/3il8999q7dssohe/Python4DataAnalysis.pdf?dl=0>
- ❑ Mastering Python for Data Science, S. Madhavan, Packt Publishing Limited,
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/s58e0vy6y7qcb0k/Mastering%20Python%20for%20Data%20Science.pdf?dl=0>
- ❑ Pep8 Coding Style Guidelines, <https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/>
- ❑ Pycharm, <https://www.jetbrains.com/student/>
- ❑ An Introduction to Statistical Learning, Gareth J., et al,
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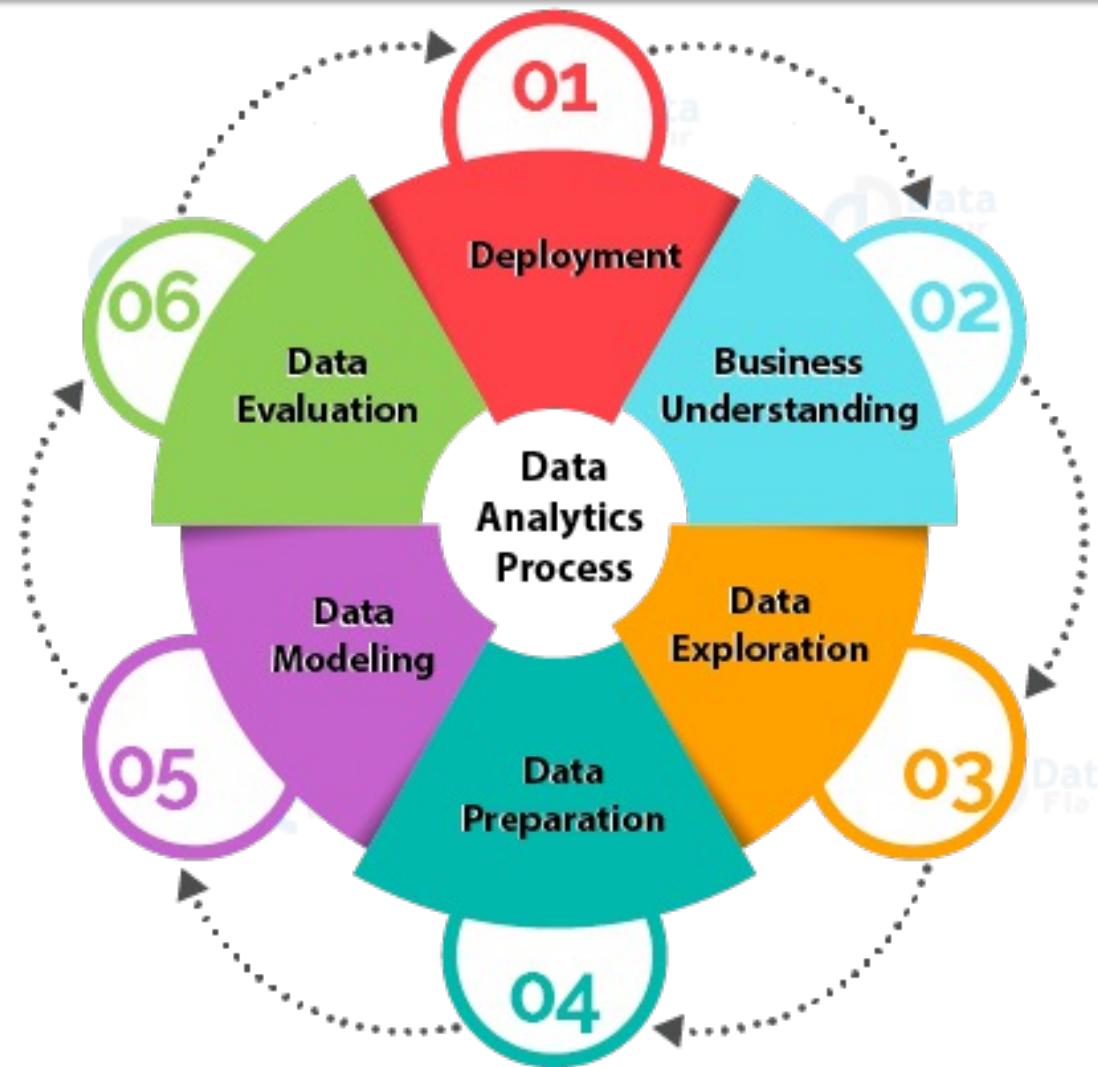
Python and Installation

- ❑ Open source
- ❑ High-level scripting language
- ❑ A bunch of toolboxes and libraries



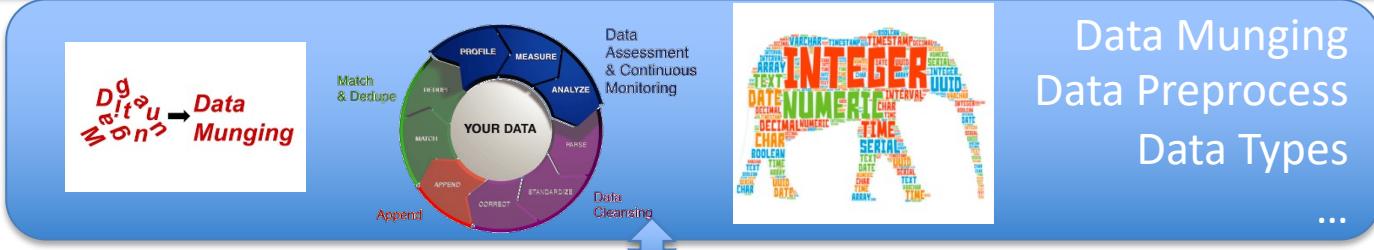
- ❑ Python 3.7
- ❑ Recommendation: [Anaconda](#)

Machine Learning: Workflow

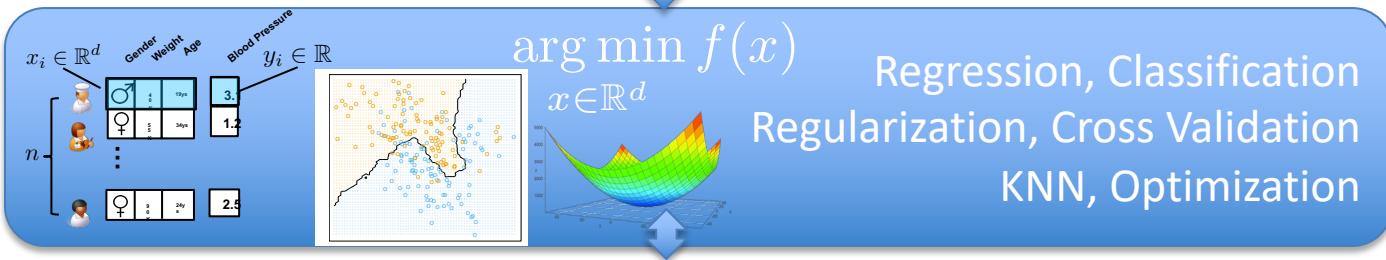


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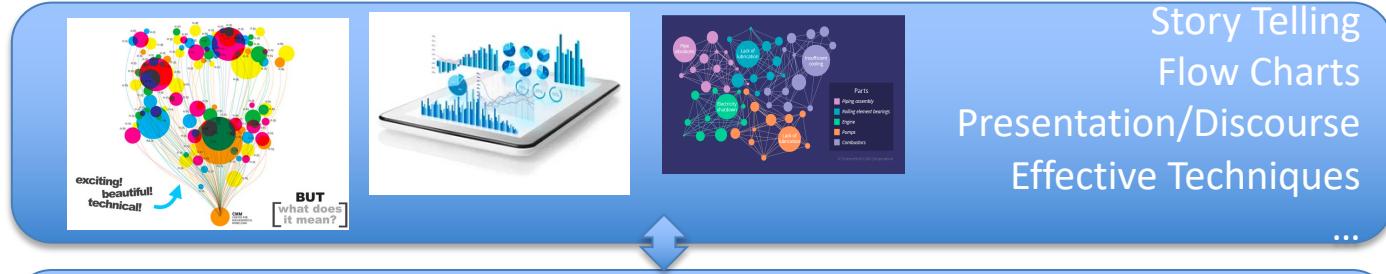
Data Handling



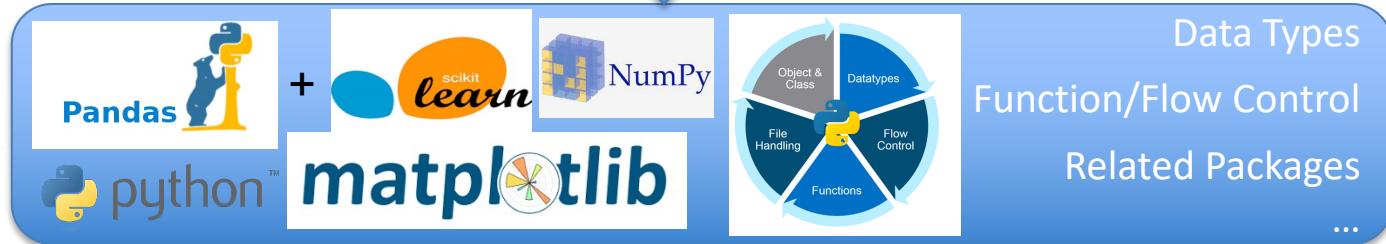
Statistics & Machine Learning



Data Analysis and Presentation

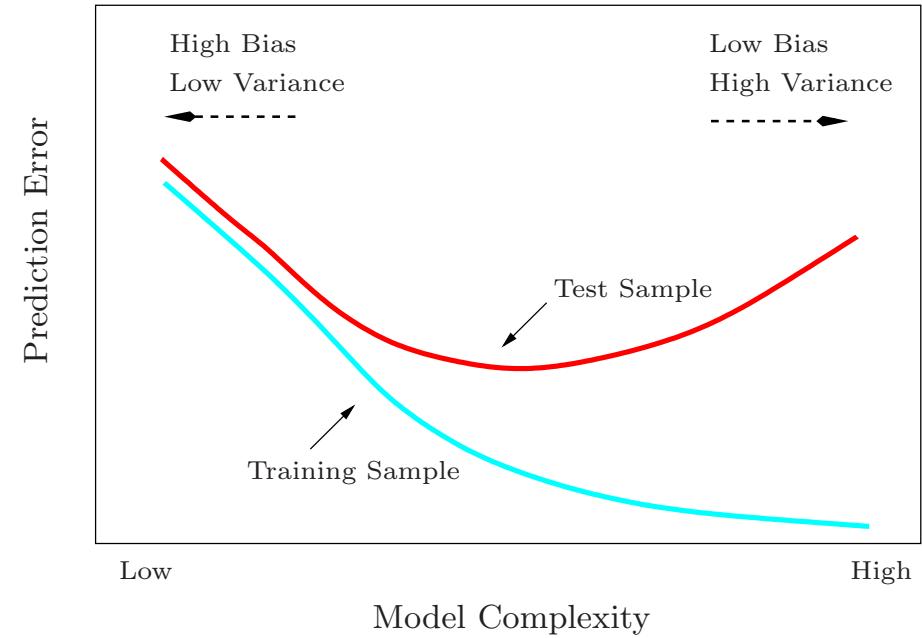
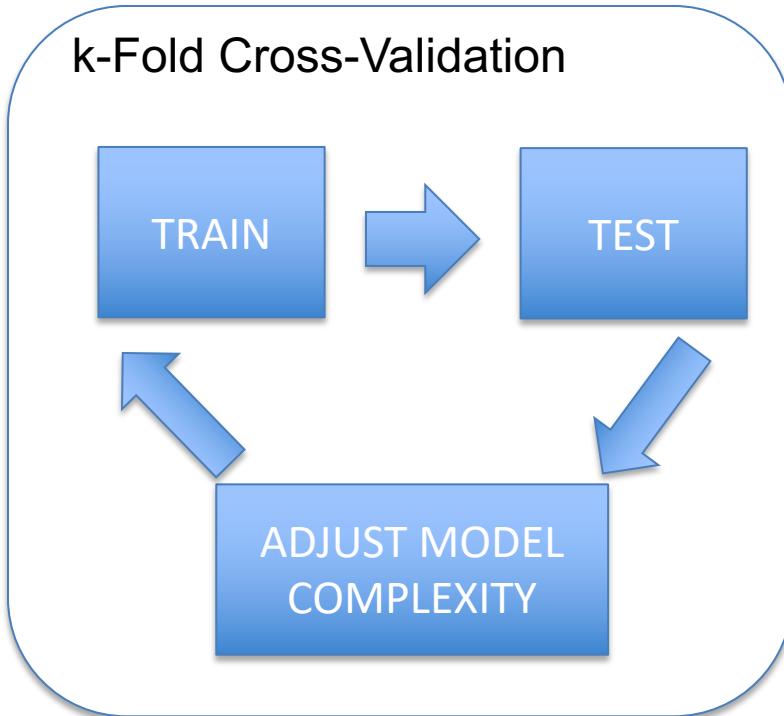


Computational Methods



Learning Pipeline

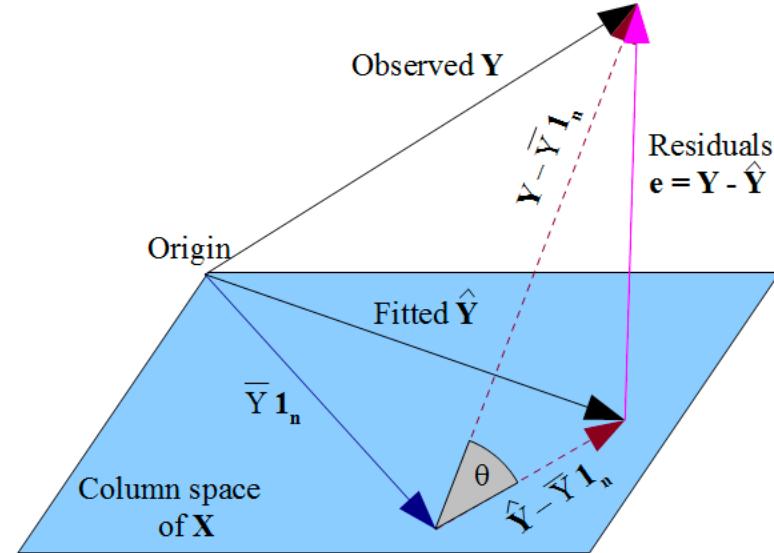
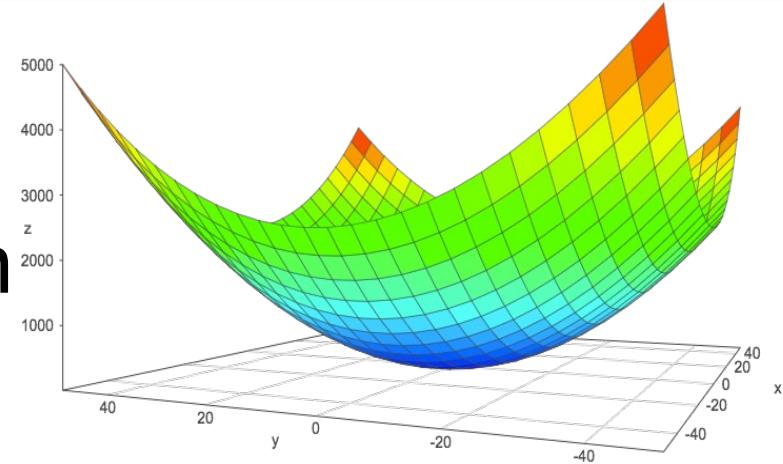
□ The Machine Learning Pipeline:



□ Algorithms \leftrightarrow Assumptions

Learning Methods

- Gradient Descent, Distance Metrics, Newton Method, and Bayesian
- Sparsity and Data Representations
- Regression and Classification



Topic Breakdown

□ Topics:

- Python + related packages, tools, and Jupyter
- Linear Regression
- Data munching and crunching
- KNN
- Feature Selection
- Lasso & Ridge Penalties
- Curse of Dimensionality
- Matrix Factorization
- Principle Component Analysis (PCA)
- Accuracy and AUC
- Data Visualization
- Representing a Corpus of Text and comparing Exemplars
- Content-based recommendation systems
- K-Means
- Deep Learning
- More...

By the end of the class, you will...

- ...be confident in **Python programming**.
- ...know how **represent** and **interpret** different data types.
- ...know how to use **linear algebra** and **probability** to solve data analysis problems.
- ...be able to clean, analyze and visualize large datasets:
 - Preprocess** data.
 - Train** a model.
 - Validate** your model's performance.
 - Analyze** solution analytically and visually.
- ...understand concepts of **regression** and **classification** as a means to determine relationships and trends in data.
- ...understand fundamentals of **data visualization**.
- ...be able to use **data analysis tools** in real-world problems.

This Course is Not...

- ...*a Mathematical class*:
 - There will be a probability theory and linear algebra, but we will focus on scripting Python and **simple methods**

- ...*a programming-only class*:
 - There will be math + stats: we should understand what we are doing, and why

Logistics

Grading Scheme

- Homework: 35%
- Course projects: 30%
- Midterm: 25%
- Class Participation 10%

Homework

- ~4 homework assignments
- ~3 project-based assignments (2 required + 1 optional/ extra credit)
- Submit **code** and **typewritten** report

- Class participation will be in the form of regular poll questions.

- Use Piazza to ask questions!!