

Machine Learning

CISC 5800
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What is machine learning

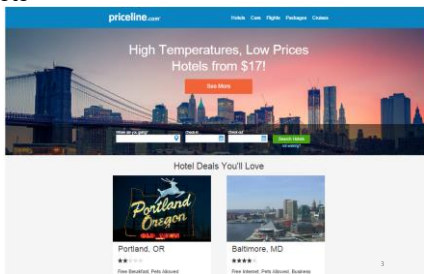
- Finding patterns in data
- Adapting program behavior
- Advertise a customer's favorite products
- Search the web to find pictures of dogs
- Change radio channel when user says "change channel"

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Advertise a customer's favorite products

This summer, I had two meetings, one in Portland and one in Baltimore

Today I get an e-mail from Priceline:



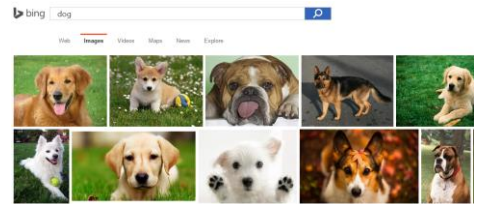
Search the web to find pictures of dogs

Filename:

- Dog.jpg
- Puppy.bmp

Caption text

Pixel patterns



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Change radio channel when user says "change channel"

- Distinguish user's voice from music
- Understand what user has said



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What's covered in this class

- Theory: describing patterns in data
 - Probability
 - Linear algebra
 - Calculus/optimization
- Implementation: programming to find and react to patterns in data
 - Matlab
 - Data sets of text, speech, pictures, user actions, neural data...

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Outline of topics

- Groundwork: probability, slopes, and programming
- Classification overview: Training, testing, and overfitting
- Discriminative and generative methods: Regression vs Naive Bayes
- Classifier theory: Separability, information criteria
- Support vector machines: Slack variables and kernels
- Expectation-Maximization: Gaussian mixture models
- Dimensionality reduction: Principle Component Analysis
- Graphical models: Bayes nets, Hidden Markov model

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What you need to do in this class

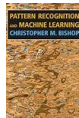
- Class attendance
- Assignments: homeworks (4) and final project
- Exams: midterm and final

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Resources

- Office hours: Wednesday 3-4pm and by appointment
- Course web site: <http://storm.cis.fordham.edu/leeds/cisc5800>
- Fellow students
- Textbooks/online notes

• Matlab



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Probability

What is the probability that a child likes chocolate?

The "frequentist" approach:

- Ask 100 children
- Count who likes chocolate
- Divide by number of children asked

$$P(\text{"child likes chocolate"}) = \frac{85}{100} = 0.85$$

In short: $P(C)=0.85$ $C=\text{"child likes chocolate"}$

Name	Chocolate?
Sarah	Yes
Melissa	Yes
Darren	No
Stacy	Yes
Brian	No

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General probability properties

$P(A)$ means "Probability that statement A is true"

- $0 \leq \text{Prob}(A) \leq 1$
- $\text{Prob}(\text{True})=1$
- $\text{Prob}(\text{False})=0$

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Random variables

A variable can take on a value from a given set of values:

- {True, False}
- {Cat, Dog, Horse, Cow}
- {0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7}

A random variable holds each value with a given probability

To start, let us consider a **binary variable**

- $P(\text{LikesChocolate}) = P(\text{LikesChocolate}=\text{True}) = 0.85$

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Complements

C="child likes chocolate"

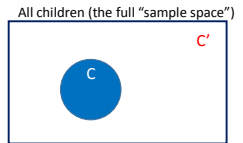
$$P(\text{"child likes chocolate"}) = \frac{85}{100} = 0.85$$

What is the probability that a child DOES NOT like chocolate?

Complement: $C' = \text{"child doesn't like chocolate"}$

$$P(C') =$$

In general: $P(A') =$



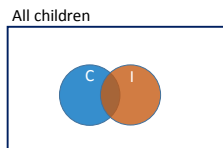
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Addition rule

$\text{Prob}(A \text{ or } B) = ???$

Name	Chocolate?	Ice cream?
Sarah	Yes	No
Melissa	Yes	Yes
Darren	No	No
Stacy	Yes	Yes
Brian	No	Yes

C="child likes chocolate"
I="child likes ice cream"



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Joint and marginal probabilities

Across 100 children:

- 55 like chocolate AND ice cream
- 30 like chocolate but not ice cream
- 5 like ice cream but not chocolate
- 10 don't like chocolate nor ice cream

Corrected slide

Prob(I) =
Prob(C) =
Prob(I,C)

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Conditional probability **Corrected slide**

Across 100 children:

- 55 like chocolate AND ice cream $P(C,I)$
- 30 like chocolate but not ice cream $P(C,I')$
- 5 like ice cream but not chocolate $P(C',I)$
- 10 don't like chocolate nor ice cream $P(C',I')$

Also, **Multiplication Rule:**
 $P(A,B) = P(A|B) P(B)$
 $P(A,B)$: Probability A and B are both true

- $\text{Prob}(C|I)$: Probability child likes chocolate given s/he likes ice cream

$$P(C|I) = \frac{P(C,I)}{P(I)} = \frac{P(C,I)}{P(C,I)+P(C',I)}$$

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Independence

If the truth value of B does not affect the truth value of A:

- $P(A|B) = P(A)$

Equivalently

- $P(A,B) = P(A) P(B)$

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Multi-valued random variables

A random variable can hold more than two values, each with a given probability

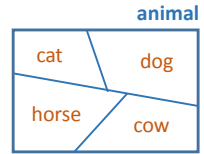
- $P(\text{Animal}=\text{Cat})=0.5$
- $P(\text{Animal}=\text{Dog})=0.3$
- $P(\text{Animal}=\text{Horse})=0.1$
- $P(\text{Animal}=\text{Cow})=0.1$

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Probability rules: multi-valued variables

For a given variable A:

- $P(A = a_i \text{ and } A = a_j) = 0$ if $i \neq j$
- $\sum_i P(A = a_i) = 1$
- $P(A = a_i) = \sum_j P(A = a_i, B = b_j)$



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Bayes rule

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Terminology:

- $P(A|B)$ is the “posterior probability”
- $P(B|A)$ is the “likelihood”
- $P(A)$ is the “prior probability”

We will spend (much) more time with Bayes rule in following lectures

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Continuous random variables

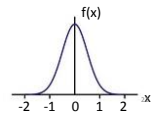
A random variable can take on a continuous range of values

- From 0 to 1
- From 0 to ∞
- From $-\infty$ to ∞

Probability expressed through a “probability density function” **f(x)**

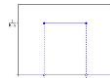
$$P(A \in [a, b]) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

“Probability A has value between i and j is area under the curve of f between i and j

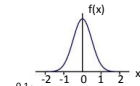


Common probability distributions

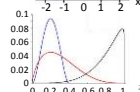
- Uniform: $f_{uniform}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{if } a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$



- Gaussian: $f_{gauss}(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$



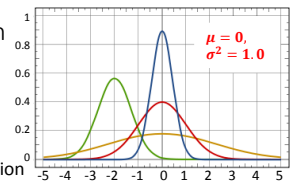
- Beta: $f_{beta}(x) = \frac{x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}}{B(\alpha,\beta)}$



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The Gaussian function

$$f_{gauss}(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$



- Mean μ – center of distribution
- Standard deviation σ – width of distribution

• Which color is $\mu=-2, \sigma^2=0.5$? Which color is $\mu=0, \sigma^2=0.2$?

$$N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) + N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2) = N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$$

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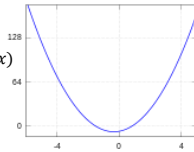
Calculus: finding the slope of a function

What is the minimum value of: $f(x)=x^2-5x+6$

Find value of x where slope is 0

General rules: slope of $f(x)$: $\frac{d}{dx}f(x) = f'(x)$

- $\frac{d}{dx}x^a = ax^{a-1}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}kf(x) = kf'(x)$
- $\frac{d}{dx}[f(x) + g(x)] = f'(x) + g'(x)$

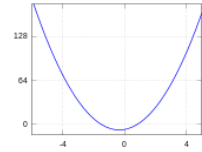


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Calculus: finding the slope of a function

What is the minimum value of: $f(x)=x^2-5x+6$

- $f'(x)=$
- What is the slope at $x=5$?
- What is the slope at $x=-5$?



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- What value of x gives slope of 0?

More on derivatives: $\frac{d}{dx}f(x) = f'(x)$

- $\frac{d}{dx}f(w) = 0$ -- w is not related to x, so derivative is 0
- $\frac{d}{dx}(f(g(x)))=g'(x) \cdot f'(g(x))$
- $\frac{d}{dx}\log x = \frac{1}{x}$
- $\frac{d}{dx}e^x = e^x$

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Programming in Matlab: Data types

- Numbers: -8.5, 0, 94
- Characters: 'j', '#', 'k' - always surrounded by single quotes
- Groups of numbers/characters – placed in between []
 - [5 10 12; 3 -4 12; -6 0 0] - spaces/commas separate columns, semi-colons separate rows
 - 'hi robot', ['h' 'i' ' ' 'robot'] - a collection of characters can be grouped inside a set of single quotes

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Matrix indexing

- Start counting at 1
- matrix1=[4 8 12; 6 3 0; -2 -7 -12];
- matrix1(2,3) -> 0
- Last row/column can also be designated by keyword "end"
- matrix1(1,end) -> 12
- Colon indicates counting up by increment
 - [2:10] -> [2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10]
 - [3:4:19] -> [3 7 11 15 19]
- matrix1(2,1:3) -> [6 3 0]

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Vector/matrix functions

- ```
vec1=[9, 3, 5, 7]; matrix2=[4.5 -3.2; 2.2 0; -4.4 -3];
```
- mean mean(vec1) -> 6
  - min min(vec1) -> 3
  - max max(vec1) -> ?
  - std std(vec1) -> 2.58
  - length length(vec1) -> ?
  - size size(matrix2) -> [3 2];

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### Extra syntax notes

- Semicolons suppress output of computations:
 

```
> a=4+5
a =
 9
> b=6+7;
>
```
- % starts a comment for the line (like // in C++)
- .\*, ./, .^ performs element-wise arithmetic
 

```
> c=[2 3 4]./[2 1 2]
> c =
 [1.5 3 1]
>
```

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### Variables

- who, whos – list variables in environment
- Comparisons:
  - Like C++: ==, <, >, <=, >=
  - Not like C++: not ~, and &, or |
- Conditions:
  - if(...), end;
- Loops:
  - while(...), end;
  - for x=a:b, end;

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### Data: .mat files

- save filename variableNames
- load filename
- Confirm correct directories:
  - pwd – show directory (print working directory)
  - cd – change directory
  - ls – list files in directory

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### Define new functions: .m files

- Begin file with function header:
 

```
function output = function_name(input)

statement1;
statement2;
:

Can allow multiple inputs/outputs
function [output1, output2] = function_name(input1, input2, input3)
```

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### Linear algebra: data features

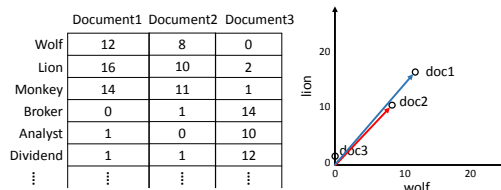
- Vector – list of numbers: each number describes a data **feature**
- Matrix – list of lists of numbers: features for each data point

|          | Document 1 | Document 2 | Document 3 |
|----------|------------|------------|------------|
| Wolf     | 12         | 8          | 0          |
| Lion     | 16         | 10         | 2          |
| Monkey   | 14         | 11         | 1          |
| Broker   | 0          | 14         | 14         |
| Analyst  | 1          | 0          | 10         |
| Dividend | 1          | 1          | 12         |
| ⋮        | ⋮          | ⋮          | ⋮          |

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### Feature space

- Each data feature defines a dimension in space

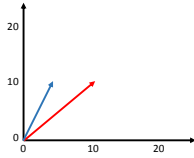


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The dot product

The dot product compares two vectors:

•  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b}$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \times 10 + 10 \times 10 = 50 + 100 = 150$$

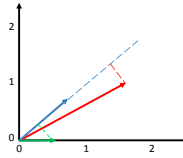
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The dot product, continued  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$

Magnitude of a vector is the sum of the squares of the elements

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{\sum_i a_i^2}$$

If  $\mathbf{a}$  has unit magnitude,  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$  is the "projection" of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto  $\mathbf{a}$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.71 \\ 0.71 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1.5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = .71 \times 1.5 + .71 \times 1 \approx 1.07 + .71 = 1.78$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.71 \\ 0.71 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix} = .71 \times 0 + .71 \times 0.5 \approx 0 + .35 = 0.35$$

Multiplication

"scalar" means single numeric value (not a multi-element matrix)

• Scalar  $\times$  matrix: Multiply each element of the matrix by the scalar value

$$c \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nm} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c a_{11} & \dots & c a_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c a_{n1} & \dots & c a_{nm} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Matrix  $\times$  column vector: dot product of each row with vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} -a_1 - \\ \vdots \\ -a_n - \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nm} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} =$$

$\mathbf{b}$

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Multiplication

• Matrix  $\times$  matrix: Compute dot product of each left row and right column

$$\begin{bmatrix} -a_1 - \\ \vdots \\ -a_n - \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & | \\ b_1 & \dots & b_m \\ | & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \cdot b_1 & \dots & a_1 \cdot b_m \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_n \cdot b_1 & \dots & a_n \cdot b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

NB: Matrix dimensions need to be compatible for valid multiplication – number of rows of left matrix ( $\mathbf{A}$ ) = number of columns of right matrix ( $\mathbf{B}$ )

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