# **Applied Machine Learning**

Introduction

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# TAs

|         | Safa Alver            | 4th year PhD student with Doina Precup, research in reinforcement<br>learning   | Thursday 8<br>am |
|---------|-----------------------|---|------------------|
|         | Yujing Liu            | 2nd year Master student with Jeremy Cooperstock, research in<br>Human Computer Interaction                            | Monday 10<br>am  |
|         | Aishik<br>Chakraborty | 5th year PhD student with Prof. Jackie Cheung. research in robust generalization of pre-trained language models       | Monday<br>3pm    |
| Head TA | David<br>Venuto       | 3rd year PhD student with Doina Precup, research in deep reinforcement learning using transformers.                   | Wednesday<br>2pm |
|         | Yuhongze<br>Zhou      | 2nd year Master student with Derek Nowrouzezahrai. research in natural image matting and 3D                           | Wednesday<br>4pm |
|         | Elaine Lau            | 1st year master student with Doina Precup, research in deep generative models (GFlowNets) with reinforcement learning | Friday 11<br>am  |
|         | Ziyang Song           | 3rd year PhD candidate under Prof. Yue Li, research topic is about NLP algorithms on medical data applications        | Friday 1pm       |
|         |                       |   | Zoom in          |

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# Logistics

- Course website: http://www.reirab.com/comp551.html
- Prerequisites quizzes in Mycourses
- Join a study group in Mycourses
- All office hours are now accessible in Zoom through Mycourses
- Be on the lookout for tutorials on Python and Math
  - Go to the TA's office hour for questions
- Any questions on the logistics?

# Outline

- a short history of machine learning
- understanding the scope of machine learning
  - relation to other areas
- understanding types of machine learning

# What is Machine Learning?



ML is the set of "algorithms and statistical models that computer systems use to perform a specific task without using explicit instructions"

ML is the "study of computer algorithms that improve automatically through experience"



while there are some unifying principles, machine learning may still look like a toolbox with different tools suitable for different tasks

## **Placing Machine Learning**

- Artificial Intelligence: it's a broader domain (includes search, planning, multiagent systems, robotics, etc.)
- **Statistics**: historically precedes ML. ML is more focused on algorithmic, practical and powerful models (e.g., neural networks) and is built around AI
- Vision & Natural Language Processing: use many ML algorithms and ideas
- Optimization: extensively used in ML
- **Data mining**: scalability, and performance comes before having theoretical foundations, more space for using heuristics, exploratory analysis, and unsupervised algorithms
- **Data science**: an umbrella term for the above mostly used in industry when the output is knowledge/information to be used for decision making









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- what is next?

# **Turing test**

In his paper on "Computing Machinery and Intelligence by Alan Turing (**1950**)", Turing tried to replace the abstract question of "can machine thinks?" with something more tangible, the Turing test designed based on a party game.





*What will happen when a machine takes the part of A in this* [*Imitation*] game? Will the interrogator decide wrongly as often when the game is played like this as he does when the game is played between a man and a woman? These questions replace our original, "*Can machines think?*"

Player C, through a series of written questions, attempts to determine which of the other two players is a man, and which of the two is the woman. Player A, the man, tries to trick player C into making the wrong decision, while player B tries to help player C.

# **Artificial Intelligence**

John McCarthy coined the term Artificial Intelligence (AI) and organized the first AI conference in 1956 to bring together researchers to design thinking machines, read more about it here





The Logic Theorist program, "the first artificial intelligence program", designed by Allen Newell, Herbert A. Simon and Cliff Shaw was presented in this conference. It was able to do automated reasoning, i.e. proving mathematical theorems from scratch by exploring a search tree, with the hypothesis as the root and branches as logical deductions, plus ad hoc rules, heuristics, to trim some branches and avoid exponential grow

[ brute force or exhaustive search looks at all the possible options, to find the solution: a simple but expensive approach ]

# Machine Learning

In 1959 Arthur Samuel popularized the term Machine Learning through his seminal paper on "Some Studies in Machine Learning Using the Game of Checkers"

*"* a computer can learn to play a better game of checkers than its programmer given only rule of the game, a sense of direction, and a redundant and incomplete list of parameters that have something to do with the game but whose values are unknown and unspecified. Programming computers to learn from experience should eventually eliminate the need for much of this detailed programming efforts.



[you can read the paper here]

How it learned/was trained? min-max search with alpha-beta pruning, learning to estimate the value of a state *II* In 1954, four different IBM 704 machines working from midnight to 7 AM playing checkers with themselves and assimilating statistics that they used for the running scheme



*II* Game as a vehicle for studying ML

many important concepts: self-play, temporal difference learning, function approximation



#### Psychologist Shows Embryo of Computer Designed to Read and Grow Wiser

WASHINGTON, July 7 (UPI) —The Navy revealed the embryo of an electronic computer today that it expects will be

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The embryo-the Weather ureau's \$2,010,000 "704" comuter-learned to differentiate etween right and left after ity altempts in the Navy's emonstration for newsmen.

The service said it would use this principle to build the first of its Perceptron thinking machines that will be able to read and write. It is expected to be finished in about a year at a cost of \$100,000.

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#### Without Human Controls

The Navy said the perceptron would he the first non-living mechanism 'bapable of receiving, recognizing and identifying its surroundings without any human training or control." The 'brain' is designed to

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#### arns by Doing

In the first fifty trials, the machine made no distinction between them. It then started registering a "Q" for the left squares and "O" for the right squares.

Dr. Rosenblatt said he could explain why the machine learned only in highly technical terms. But he said the computer had undergone a "self-induced change in the wiring diagram." The first Parcoptron will have about other receiving electrical impulses from an evelike scanning device with 400 photo-cells. The human brain has 10.000.000.000 responsive

hoto-cells. The human brain has 10,000,000,000 responsive cells, including 100,000,000 connections with the cycs



# **Neural Networks**

The Perceptron - A Perceiving and Recognizing Automaton by Frank Rosenblatt (1957), [you can read the pape, here]

The first device to think as the human brain, **learns by doing** based on McCullach-Pitts mathematical model of neurons (1943)



 $f(x) = \sigma\left(\sum_i w_i x_i\right)$ 

#### which was in turn based on Hebbian learning

We will discuss Perceptron later in the course

[ read more about Perceptron here, and on Rosenblatt's here ]

[ read the article from nytimes on July 8, 1958 ]

Mark I Perceptron machine (1958) Custom built hardware

# How do humans think?



Earliest works in the 1930s and 1940s by Donald Hebb, a psychologist at McGill, Studying behaviour in terms of brain function and connections between neuron assemblies

" I am referring to the general type of studies based on Donald Hebb's work at McGill. The argument goes something like this. The brain of man, like that of the animals, is made up of many cells of a certain type called neurons. These cells... react on an all-or-none basis

('fire'; ...) and transmit a pulse to other neurons through synaptic connections. Each neuron is connected to many others, and a number of input signals are, in general, required before a neuron will 'fire'. ...Learning seems to consist of alterations in the strength and even perhaps in the number of these synaptic interconnections. Now it is possible to devise a variety of mechanical, chemical, and electrical devices which simulate the behavior of individual neurons in a crude sort of way, and we can interconnect these devices in some random fashion to simulate the synaptic interconnections that exist within the brain, and, finally, we can arrange for the automatic strengthening or weakening of these interconnections using a training routine.



Samuel, A. L. (1962). Artificial intelligence: a frontier of automation. The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, 340(1), 10-20.

### Early Real World Applications

ADALINE (Adaptive Linear Neuron) and MADALINE (Many ADALINEs) are similar to Perceptron and were proposed by Bernard Widrow et al., 1958 and 1960 [you can read the paper here]

Had many real-world applications including adaptive echo canceler for telephones, automatic equalizations for modems, speech and pattern recognition, weather forecasting etc. [read more about it, here]





Trained using LMS algorithm: adjusting the weights based on the approximate gradient predecessor to backpropagation

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TRAINING EXPERIMENT

Letter Recognition

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  - we will discuss SVM's idea later in the course
- **1969**: Minskey and Pappert show the limitations of single-layer neural networks
  - for example, it cannot learn a simple XOR function
  - the limitation does not extend to a multilayer perceptron (which was known back then)
  - one of the factors in so-called AI winter
- **1970-80s**: rule-based and symbolic AI dominates
  - in contrast to connectionist AI as in neural networks
  - expert systems find applications in industry
  - these are rule-based systems with their specialized hardware



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  - combine graph structure with probabilistic (and causal) reasoning
  - related to both symbolic and connectionist approach
- 1986: Backpropagation rediscovered (Rumelhart, Hinton & Williams)
  - an efficient method for learning the weights in neural networks using gradient descent
  - it was rediscovered many times since the 1960s
  - we discuss it later in the course
- **1980-1990s:** expert systems are being replaced with general-purpose computers



SEASON

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  - super-human performance in many tasks
    - e.g. AlphaGo defeats Go Master (2017)
- Future: what is next?
- in the short term, AI will impact domain sciences





### **Basic Terminology**



#### example

<tumorsize, texture, perimeter> = <18.2, 27.6, 117.5>



cancer = No

### **Basic Terminology**

(labelled) datasets: consist of many training examples or instances

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| <18.2,   | 27.6,          | 117.5> , <no, +2=""></no,>                        | $x^{(1)}$                        |
| <17.9,   | 10.3,          | 122.8> , < No , -4 >                              | $x^{\left(2 ight)}$ one instance |
| <20.2,   | 14.3,          | 111.2> , < Yes , +3 >                             | $x^{(3)}$                        |
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| <15.5,   | 15.2,          | 135.5> , <no, 0=""></no,>                         | $x^{(N)}$                        |

### **Basic Terminology**

#### we split the dataset into **train** and **test** sets

| Train dataset:<br>used to build the model   | <tumorsize,<br>&lt;18.2,<br/>&lt;17.9,<br/>&lt;20.2,<br/>&lt;15.5,</tumorsize,<br>   | texture, perir<br>27.6,<br>10.3,<br>14.3,<br>15.2, | meter><br>117.5><br>122.8><br>111.2><br>135.5> | , <cancer,<br>, &lt; No ,<br/>, &lt; No ,<br/>, &lt; Yes ,<br/>, &lt; No ,</cancer,<br>              | size (<br>+2<br>-4<br>+3<br>0  | change><br>><br>><br>>                    |      | algorithm s<br>to test set  | algorithm shouldn't have access<br>to test set when being trained  |   |
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| Test dataset:<br>used to evaluate the model | <tumorsize, 1<br="">&lt;12.4,<br/>&lt;15.2,<br/>&lt;19.3,<br/>&lt;17.5,</tumorsize,> | texture, perir<br>15.7,<br>17.2,<br>15.9,<br>11.9, | meter><br>120.1><br>113.3><br>125.4><br>122.7> | , <cancer,<br>, &lt; No ,<br/>, &lt; Yes ,<br/>, &lt; No ,<br/>, &lt; No ,<br/>Ground-T</cancer,<br> | size (<br>+5<br>+1<br>+2<br>-3 | hange><br>><br>><br>><br>, <b>True</b> la | bels | <cancer,<br>&lt; Yes ,<br/>&lt; Yes ,<br/>&lt; No ,<br/>&lt; Yes ,<br/>Output la</cancer,<br> | , size change><br>+4 ><br>+1 ><br>+1 ><br>-2 ><br>abels, algorithr | algorithm shouldn't see the<br>true labels when being<br>evaluated (making predictions<br>on test set), these true labels<br>are only used to compare<br>against the algorithm's results<br>to measure performance<br>n results |

we will discuss model selection and evaluation more later in the course

- 1. Supervised learning
- 2. Unsupervised & self-supervised learning
- 3. Semi-supervised learning
- 4. Reinforcement learning ...

- 1. Supervised learning: we have labeled data
  - classification
  - regression
    - ${\cal D}$  : training set
    - x : *D*-dimensional vector
    - y : a categorical or nominal variable
    - N : number of training instances
    - $m{n}$  : index of training instance (  $n \in \{1 \dots N\}$ )

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 $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}_{n=1}^N$ 

most of this course

pairs of input vector and corresponding target or label

1. Supervised learning: we have labeled data

most of this course

• classification

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• regression



shows samples with desired output to the algorithm to learn from it

#### 1. Supervised learning: we have labeled data

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#### **Classification:** categorical/discrete output

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#### **Regression:** continuous output

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target

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#### binary classification

### classifying Iris flowers

N = 150 instances of flowers

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index

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1

50

149

- D=4 features {the length and the width of the sepals and petals}
- C=3 classes {setosa, versicolor, virginica} : 50 samples of each

pw

0.2

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1.8

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4.7

5.1



label

Setosa

Setosa

Versicolor

Virginica





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|-------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| 0     | 5.1           | 3.5 | 1.4 | 0.2 | Setosa     |
| 1     | 4.9           | 3.0 | 1.4 | 0.2 | Setosa     |
|       |               |     |     |     |            |
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### Image classification



#### MIT Technology Review

Topics+ The Download

Intelligent Machines

#### Google Unveils Neural Network with "Superhuman" Ability to Determine the Location of Almost Any Image

Guessing the location of a randomly chosen Street View image is hard, even for well-traveled humans. But Google's latest artificial-intelligence machine manages it with relative ease.

by Emerging Technology from the arXiv February 24, 2016







trained on a database of geolocated images from the Web

[ read about it here ]

#### DeepL schools other online translators with clever machine learning

Devin Coldewey, Frederic Lardinois / 1:57 pm EDT • August 29, 2017



Image Credits: H. Amstrong Roberts/Getty Imag

trained using billions of high-quality translation segments from reliable sources such as the European Parliament, Unesco patents, and literary works, bilingual sentences collected by Linguee's web crawler on the Internet Machine Translation: data consists of input-output sentence pairs (x,y), similarly we may consider **text-to-speech**, with text and voice as input and target (x,y), or **speech recognition** where input and output above are swapped.

Supervised methods are powered by large datasets often crawled from the web or curated with crowdsourcing

#### What is COCO?

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COCO is a large-scale object detection, segmentation, and captioning dataset. COCO has several features:

- ✓ Object segmentation
- Recognition in context
- Superpixel stuff segmentation
- 330K images (>200K labeled)
- 1.5 million object instances
- ✓ 80 object categories
- 91 stuff categories
- ✓ 5 captions per image
- ✓ 250,000 people with keypoints



Fig. 6: Samples of annotated images in the MS COCO dataset.

### Object Recognition

image: https://bitmovin.com/object-detection/



**input:** image **output**: a set of bounding box coordinates



Two dogs play in the grass.



A group of young people playing a game of frisbee.



A herd of elephants walking across a dry grass field.





Two hockey players are



A close up of a cat laying on a couch.



A skateboarder does a trick



A little girl in a pink hat is blowing bubbles.



A red motorcycle parked on the





A refrigerator filled with lots of food and drinks.



A yellow school bus parked



### **Image Captioning input:** image output: text



DALL·E: Creating Images from Text [ try it out here]

**Describes without errors** 

Describes with minor errors

Somewhat related to the image

read about it here

#### 2. Unsupervised Learning: only unlabeled data

- clustering
- dimensionality reduction
- density estimation / generative modeling
- anomaly detection
- discovering latent factors and structures

The algorithm doesn't see the desired outputs, mines the patterns in the input data

- helps explore and understand the data
- closer to data mining
- we have much more unlabeled data
- more open challenges



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|------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|-------|
| Setosa     | 0.2 | 1.4 | 3.5 | 5.1           | 0     |
| Setosa     | 0.2 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 4.9           | 1     |
|            |     |     |     |               |       |
| Versicolor | 1.4 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 7.0           | 50    |
|            |     |     |     |               |       |
| Virginica  | 1.8 | 5.1 | 3.0 | 5.9           | 149   |









**Self supervised learning**: create proxy supervised tasks from unlabeled data, e.g. predict a color image from a grayscale image or mask out words in a sentence and then try to predict them given the surrounding context

Goal: learn useful features from the data, that can then be used in standard, downstream supervised tasks



Let's make [MASK] chicken! [SEP] It [MASK] great with orange sauce.

**Generative Modelling**: model the distribution of the data and learns to generate the data instead of directly categorizing/discriminating the instances into different classes

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Generate faces that look like celebrity images from the paper here click here to get a random fake person



Facebook Removes Accounts With AI-Generated Profile Photos Researchers said it appears to be the first use of artificial intelligence to support an inauthentic social media campaign.



Profile pictures for Facebook accounts "Mary Keen" and "Jacobs Guillermo," admins on groups associated with The BL highlighted by Graphika. COURTESY OF GRAPHIKA



How a fake persona laid the groundwork for a Hunter Biden conspiracy deluge



A viral dossier about Hunter Biden was written by "Martin Aspen," a fake identity whose profile picture was created by artificial intelligence. TyphoonInvesti1 / via Twitter

Experts: Spy used Al-generated face to connect with targets  ${}_{\text{Dy}\text{RMWAR},\text{SATTER}}$  ,  ${}_{\text{loc}\text{13},\text{2019}}$ 



- 3. Semisupervised learning: a few labeled examples
  - we can include structured problems such as
    - matrix completion (a few entries are observed)
    - link prediction

The algorithm sees few examples of the desired outputs



#### Matrix Completion in Recommendation Systems

Predict what movies you will like based on what you liked sofar and what others users liked who like similar movies to you



[ figure from here ]

Ethical Challenges: Privacy of Users Polarizing Users



NetFlix Cancels Recommendation Contest After Privacy Lawsuit



Netflix is canceling its second \$1 million Netflix Prize to settle a legal challenge that it breached customer privacy as part of the first contest's race for a better movie-recommendation engin**36** 

Netflix Awards \$1 Million Prize and Starts a New Contest BY STEVE LOHR SEPTEMBER 21, 2009 10:15 AM



Jason Kempin/Getty Images Netflix prize winners, from left: Yehuda Koren, Martin Chabbert, Martin Piotte, Michael Jahrer, Andreas Toscher, Chris Volinsky and Robert Bell.

**Update | 1:45 p.m.** Adding details announced Monday about the extremely close finish to the contest.

#### [ read about it here ]

### 4. Reinforcement Learning:

- weak supervision through the reward signal
- sequential decision making
- biologically motivated





also related:

**imitation learning**: learning from demonstrations

- behavior cloning (is supervised learning!)
- inverse reinforcement learning (learning the reward function)



### **Reinforcement Learning: Examples**



### Human Level Control Through Deep Reinforcement Learning

#### Abstract

The theory of reinforcement learning provides a normative account deeply rooted in psychological and neuroscientific perspectives on animal behaviour, of how agents may optimize their control of an environment. To use reinforcement learning successfully in situations approaching real-world complexity, however, agents are confronted with a difficult task: they must derive efficient representations of the environment from high-dimensional sensory inputs and use these to generalize

#### Playing Atari like a pro 2015, see here

Google's AlphaGo Defeats Chinese Go Master in Win for A.I.



Ke Jie, the world's top Go player, reacting during his match on Tuesday against AlphaGo, artificial intelligence software developed by a Google affiliate. China Stringer Network, via Reuters

Playing Go like a pro 2017

# Summary

### Supervised Learning: we have labeled data

- classification
- regression

#### Unsupervised Learning: only unlabeled data

- clustering & self-supervised learning
- density estimation / generative modeling

Semisupervised learning: a few labeled examples

Reinforcement Learning: reward signal