MACHINE LEARNING-INTRODUCTION

Example: Animal Footprints







What features can be used to distinguish the 3 footprint classes?

A Feature Space for Footprints





$$\omega_1$$
 = wolf



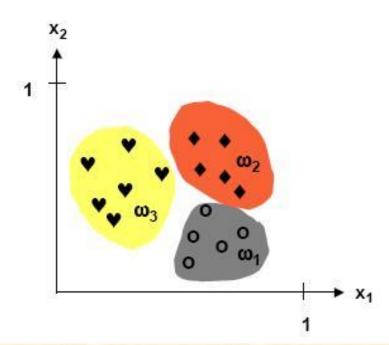
$$\omega_2$$
 = bear



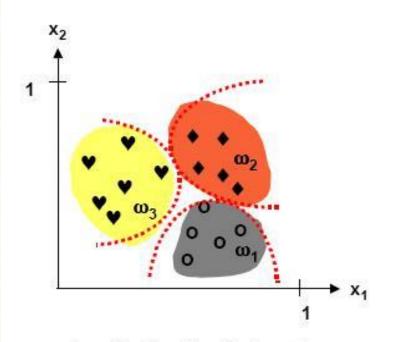
$$\omega_3$$
 = hare

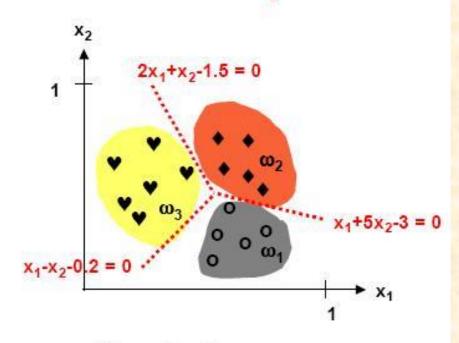
$$x_1 = "squareness" = \frac{4bh}{(b+h)^2}$$

$$x_2$$
 = "solidness" = $\frac{print area}{bh}$



Discriminant Functions for Footprints





Quadratic discriminant functions:

$$g_1 = -9x_1^2 + 10.8x_1 - x_2 - 2.84$$

$$g_2 = x_1 + 20x_2^2 - 28x_2 + 9.4$$

$$g_3 = -x_1 + 5.6x_2^2 - 5.6x_2 - 1$$

Piecewise linear discriminant functions:

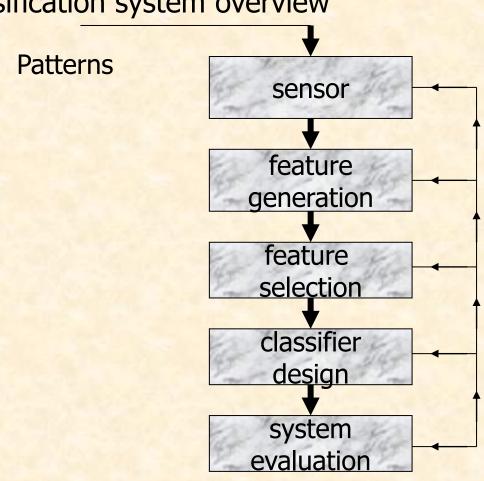
$$g_1 = (x_1 - x_2 - 0.2 > 0) \land (x_1 + 5x_2 - 3 < 0)$$

$$g_2 = (x_1 + 5x_2 - 3 > 0) \land (2x_1 + x_2 - 1.5 > 0)$$

$$g_3 = (2x_1+x_2-1.5 < 0) \land (x_1-x_2-0.2 < 0)$$

 \clubsuit The classifier consists of a set of functions, whose values, computed at \underline{x} , determine the class to which the corresponding pattern belongs

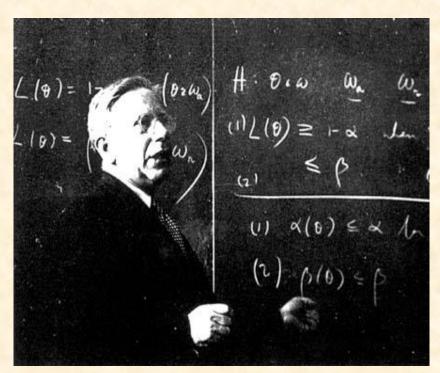
Classification system overview



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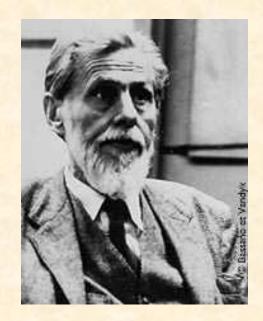
Thomas Bayes (1707-1761)



Abraham Wald (1902-1950)

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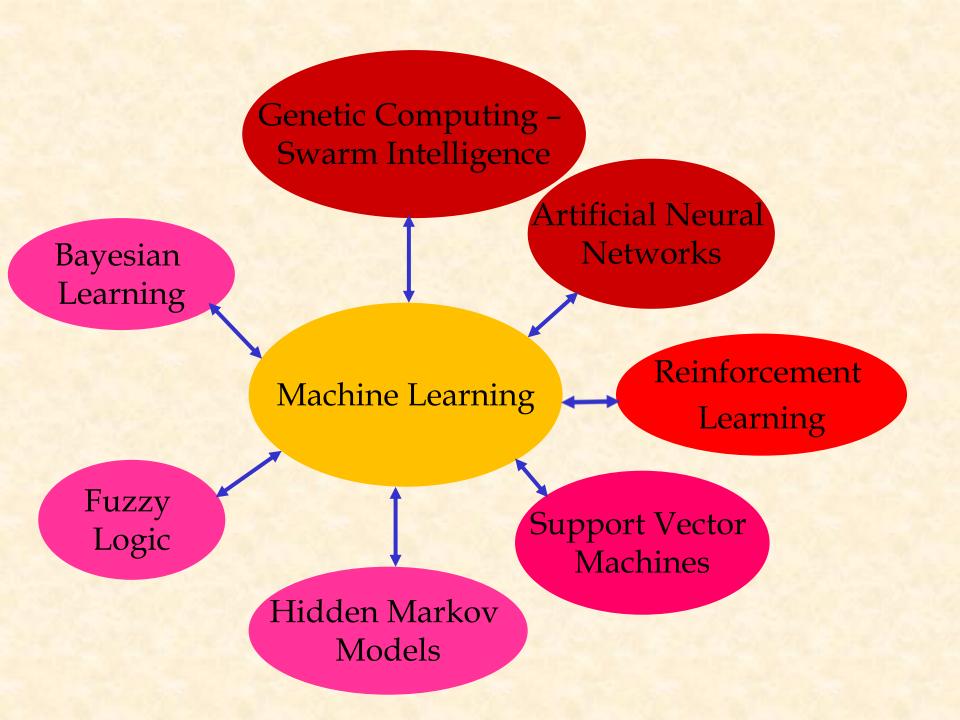
Warren McCulloch (1898-1969)



Walter Pitts (1923-1969)



Donald Hebb (1904-1985)



Intelligent behaviour



Learning



Learning model



Optimization



Philosophical and ethical issues

Philosophical questions

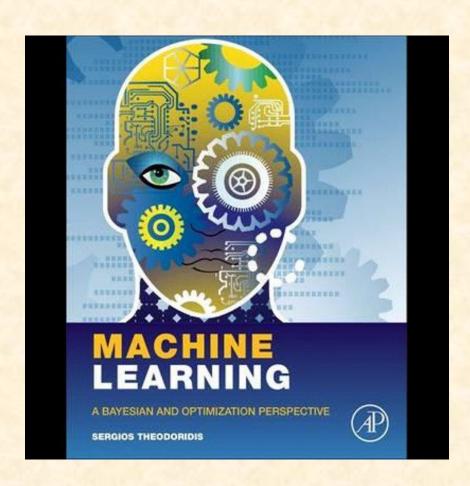
- ☐ Can a machine act intelligently? Can it solve any problem that a person would solve by thinking?
- ☐ Are human intelligence and machine intelligence the same? Is the human brain essentially a computer?
- □ Can a machine have a mind, mental states, and consciousness in the same sense that a human being can? Can it feel how things are?

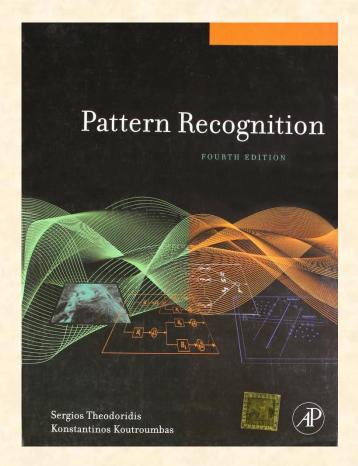
Philosophical and ethical issues

Ethical issues

■ Unemployment brought about by intelligent machine proliferation ☐ Wealth distribution: Inequality brought about by intelligent machine proliferation ■ Machine stupidity: How do we guard against mistakes? ☐ Issues related to human-computer interaction. Modification of human behavior, tech addiction Cybersecurity ☐ Singurarity: The point where humans are no longer the most intelligent species ■ Intelligent machine rights

Textbooks





Topics to be covered

- General machine learning issues: Regression, classification. Cost function, bias, variance, estimation (biased, unbiased), overfitting, regularization, cross-validation
- Statistically inspired machine learning
 - ☐ Distribution estimation (Maximum likelihood, Maximum a posteriori probability, expectation-maximization)
 - □ Regression: Least squares, ridge regression, methods inspired by distribution estimation
 - ☐ Classification: Bayes classifier, naive Bayes classifier, nearest neigbours etc
 - Bayesian networks
 - ☐ Context based classification: Hidden Markov models
- Biologically inspired machine learning
 - Neural networks: Perceptron, Multi-layered networks, radial basis functions, Deep Learning
 - Support vector machines
- Not covered, or superficially covered: Clustering (unsupervised learning), feature generation-selection-extraction