

CS189: Intro to Machine Learning

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Lecture 0: Introduction

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- Overview of the course
- ML in the context of AI
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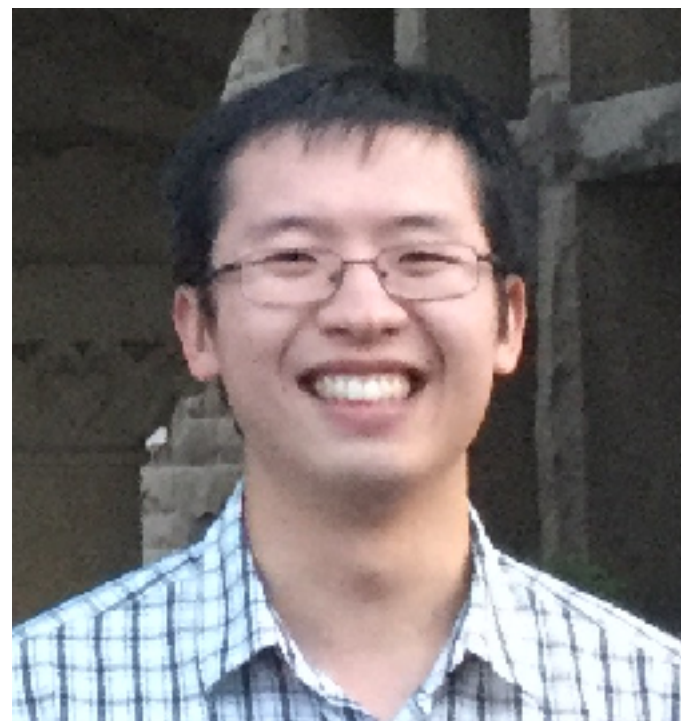
Administrative stuff

Rules for lecture

- No technology!
- No lecture recordings

Course Staff

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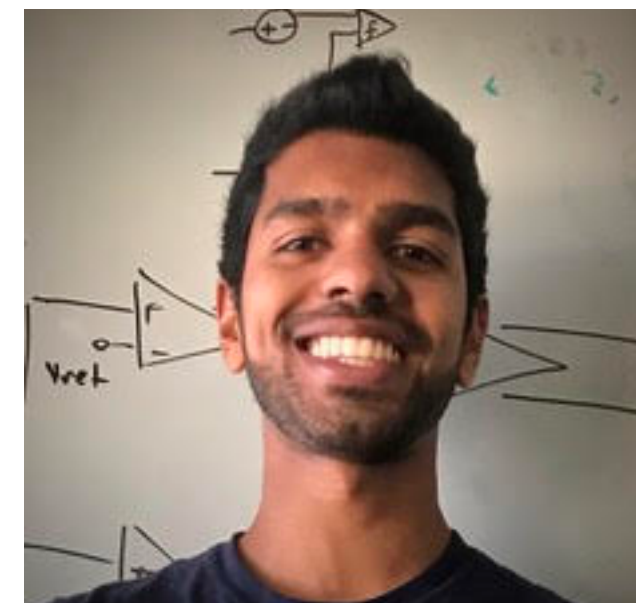
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Website: www.eecs189.org

Piazza: [piazza.com/berkeley/
summer2018/eecs189289a](https://piazza.com/berkeley/summer2018/eecs189289a)

Gradescope: <https://gradescope.com/>

Other course meetings

Discussion Sections

- Schedule on website
- Welcome to go to any that you want!

Review lectures

- Fridays during normal lecture time, room TBD
- THIS WEEK ONLY: Friday 5pm - 7pm at The Woz

Resources for the course

- No textbook
- Useful references:
 - *Elements of Statistical Learning*
(Hastie, Tibshirani, Friedman)
 - *Previous semesters course notes*
(See website)

Grading

- Weekly HW **30%**
- Midterm (July 19th) **30%**
- Final (August 9th) **40%**

Homeworks

- 7 Total
- Assigned Monday at 10pm & Due following Monday at 10pm
on Gradescope
- HW0 and HW1 released today
(HW0 Due Friday!)

Academic honesty

- We take this very seriously
- Simple rule:
HW groups and Piazza are great, but **no other online communications about course content**

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Overview of the Course

Prerequisites

- Basic probability & Stats
- Proofs
- Multivariate calculus
- Linear algebra

Why is now a great time to study ML?

Research progress

ImageNet Challenge

IMAGENET

- 1,000 object classes (categories).
- Images:
 - 1.2 M train
 - 100k test.

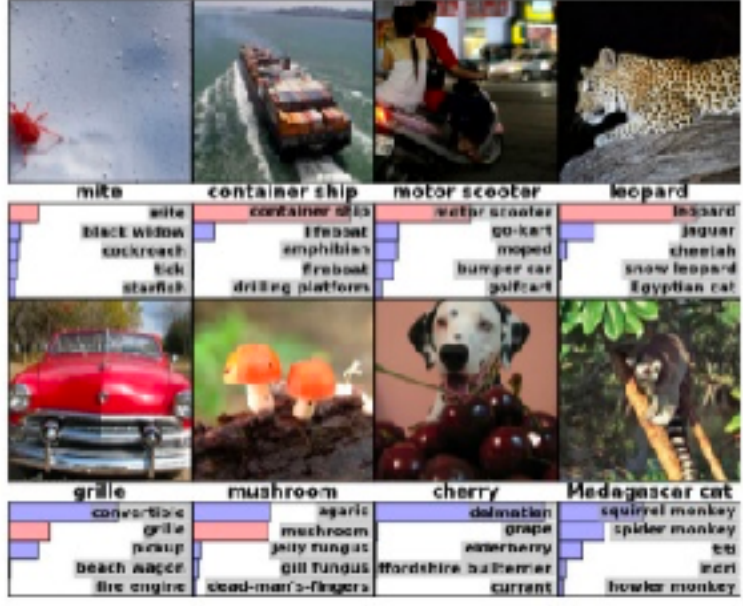


Image classification

Audio synthesis

Games

Why is now a great time to study ML?

Products



Voice recognition



Translation



Self-driving cars

Progress in ML is driven by...

- More compute

- More data

- Better algorithms

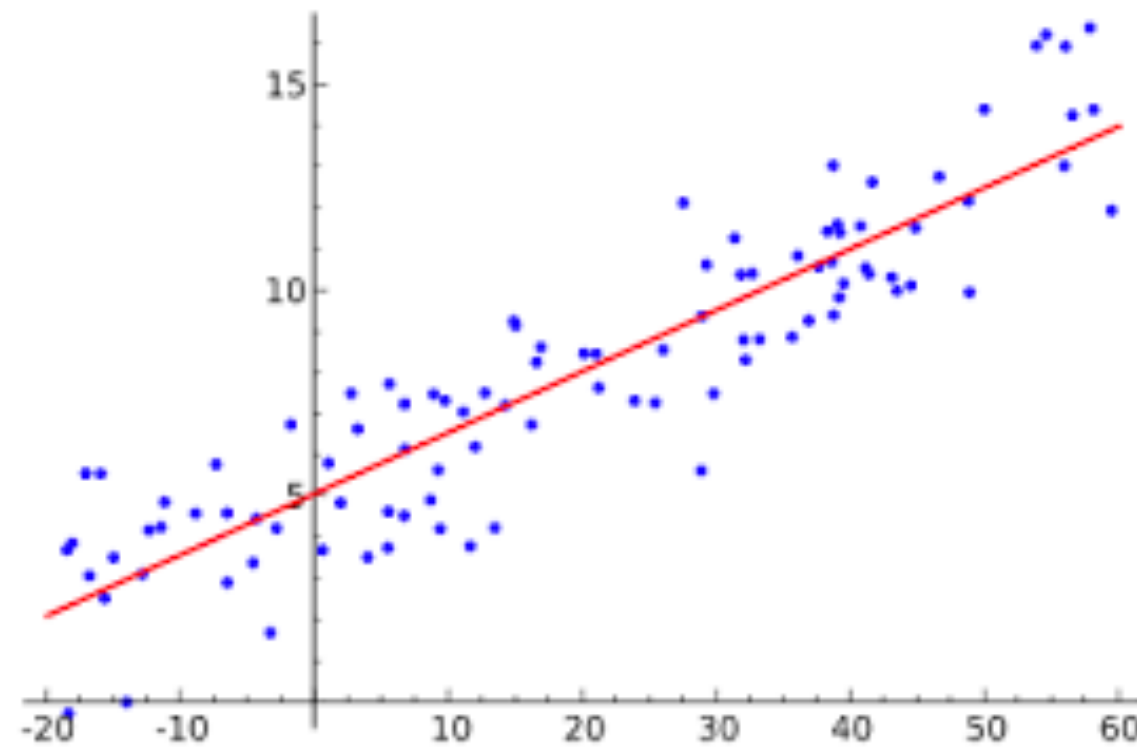
**Need more people who
understand the algorithms!**

Machine Learning

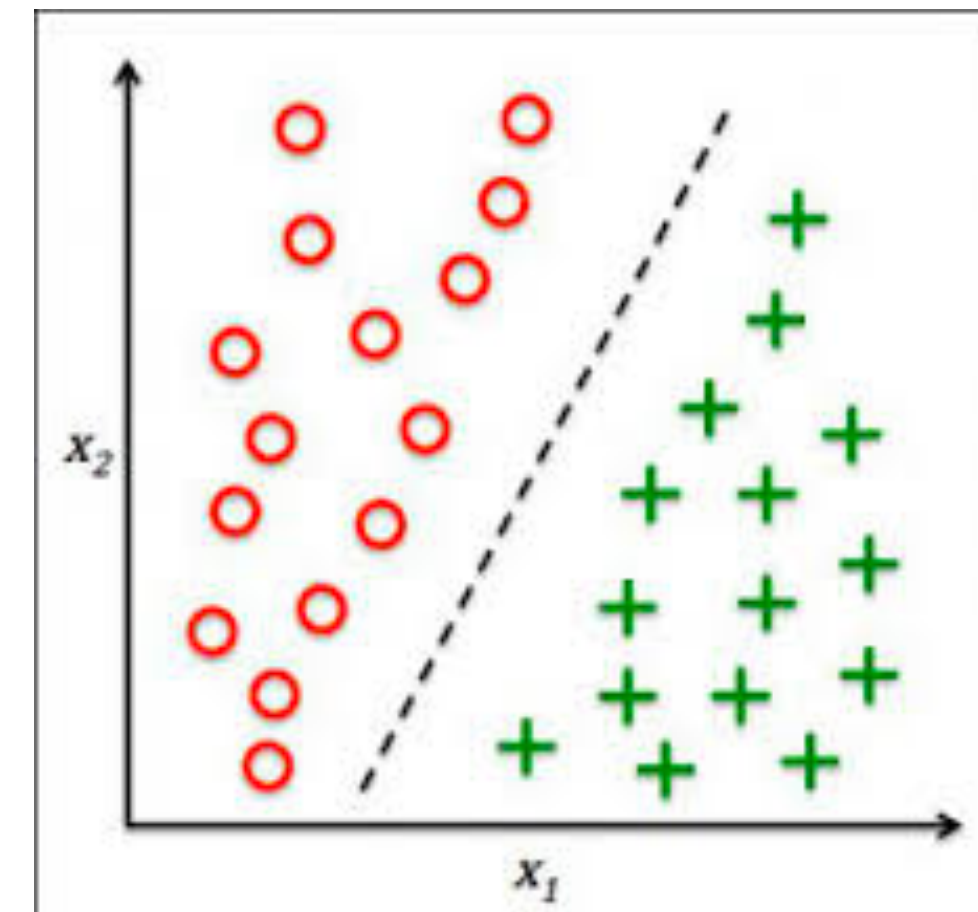
How to discover patterns from data

Types of machine learning

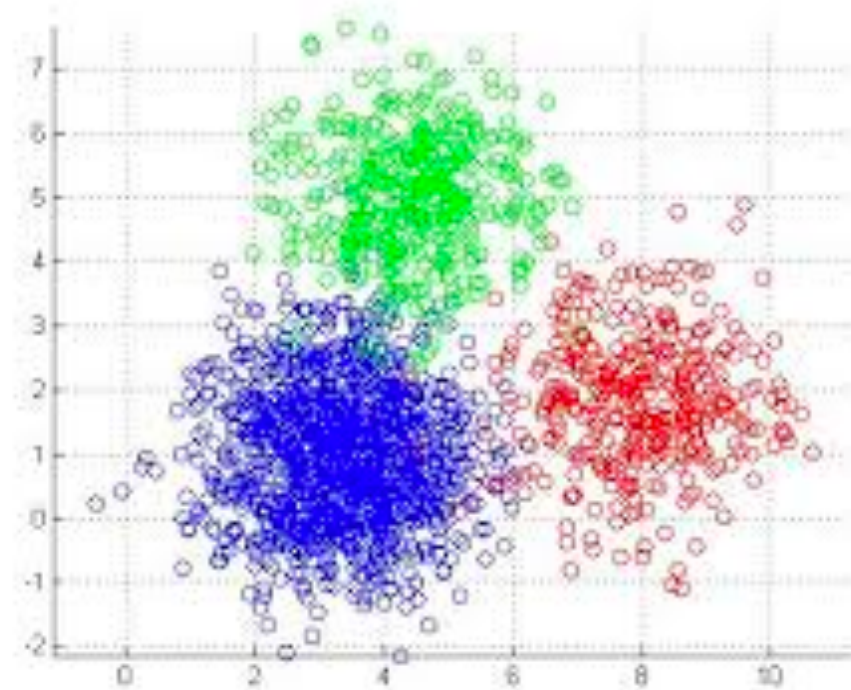
Regression



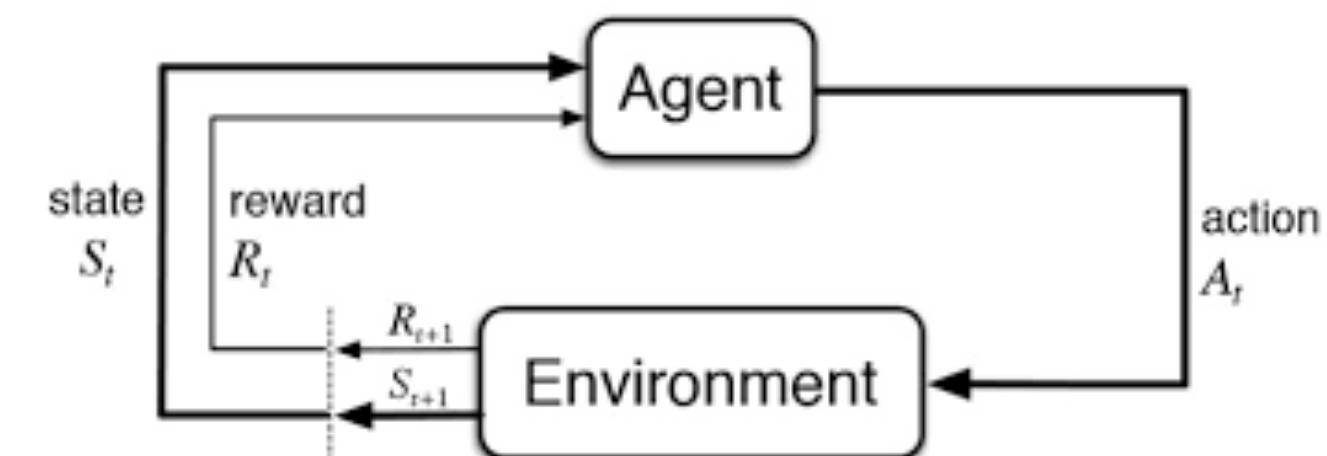
Classification



Unsupervised



Reinforcement



Rough course overview

- **Part 1 (8-10 lecture):** Key ML ideas in context of linear regression
- **Part 2 (~3-4 lectures):** Nonlinear regression
- **Part 3 (~3-4 lectures):** Classification
- **Part 4 (~8 lectures):** Advanced classification
- **Part 5 (remainder):** Other advanced topics

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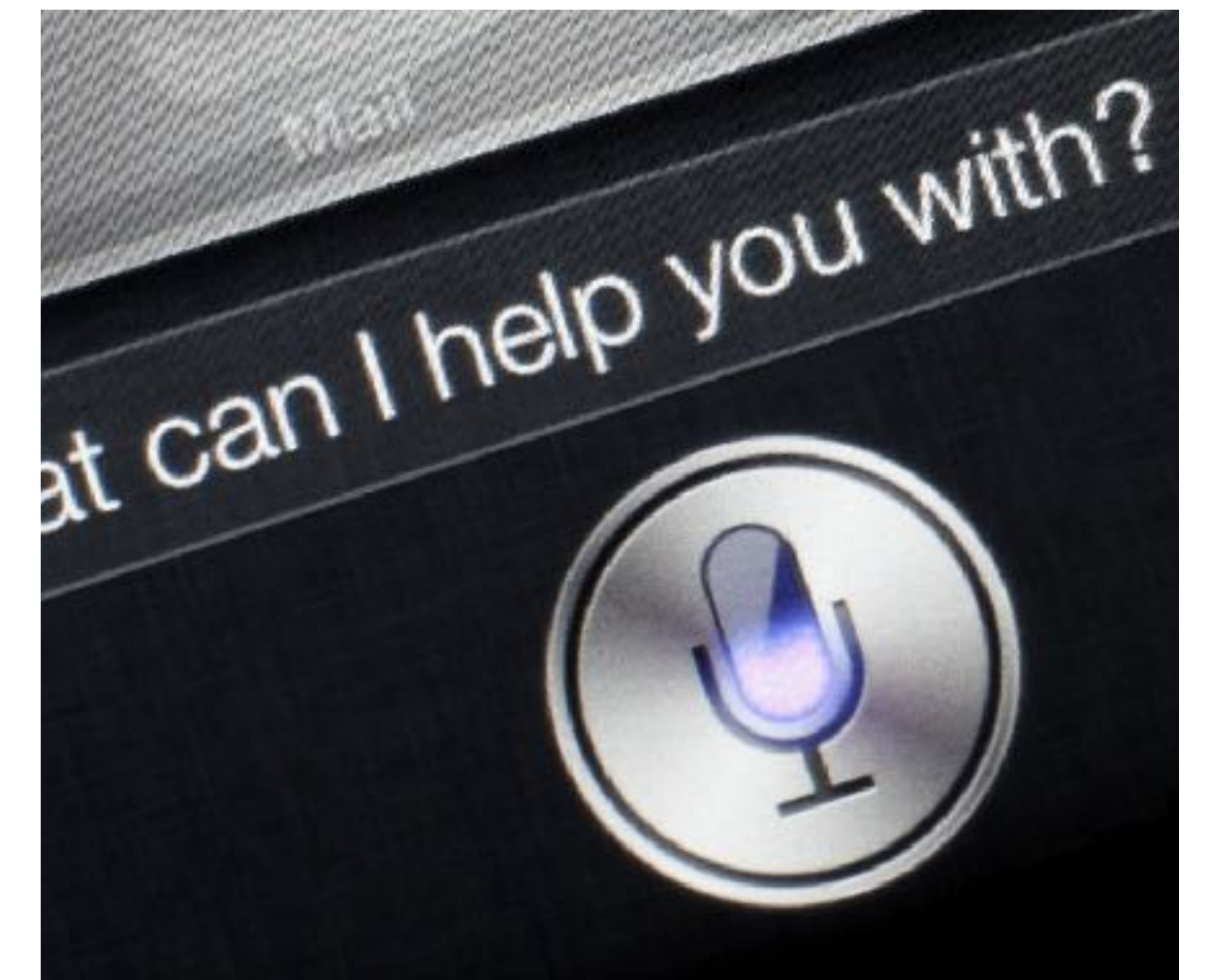
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 - The ability to read and understand language **Natural Language Processing (NLP)**
 - The ability to move and interact with the world **Robotics**
 - The ability to reason and perform logical deduction **Traditional AI**

Successes of AI

Computer Vision



Natural Language Processing (NLP)



Robotics



Traditional AI

Why is AI hard?

- Suppose we want to write a program that recognizes chairs.



- First attempt:
 - A chair is something that has a seat, a back and four legs.

Why is AI hard?

- Suppose we want to write a program that recognizes chairs.



- Second attempt:
 - A chair is something that has a seat, a back and multiple legs.

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- Third attempt:
 - A chair is something that has a seat, a back and a frame.

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- Fourth attempt:
 - A chair is something that has a seat and a back.

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- Fifth attempt:
 - A chair is something that has a seat.

Why is AI hard?

- Suppose we want to write a program that recognizes chairs.



- Why is this not a chair?
- There are exceptions to every rule, and exceptions to every exception.

Why is AI hard?

- Problem: The inner workings of our brain are not well understood.
- We don't know *how* our brain converts input to output, so we can't write a program to do so.
- This problem perplexed early computer scientists:

“The Analytical Engine¹ has no pretensions to *originate* anything. It can do *whatever we know how to order it* to perform. ”

Ada Lovelace

¹The Analytical Engine was the first conception of a general-purpose (i.e. Turing complete) computer.

Learning Machines

- Alan Turing proposed the concept of a *learning machine* in 1950 (in the same paper that proposed the Turing test).
- Idea: Divide the problem into two parts:
 - A machine that simulates a child's brain (analogous to a blank notebook: should function by simple mechanisms and have lots of blank sheets)
 - A way of teaching the child machine (should be simple since we know how to teach a human child)
- Teacher rewards good behaviour and penalizes bad behaviour.

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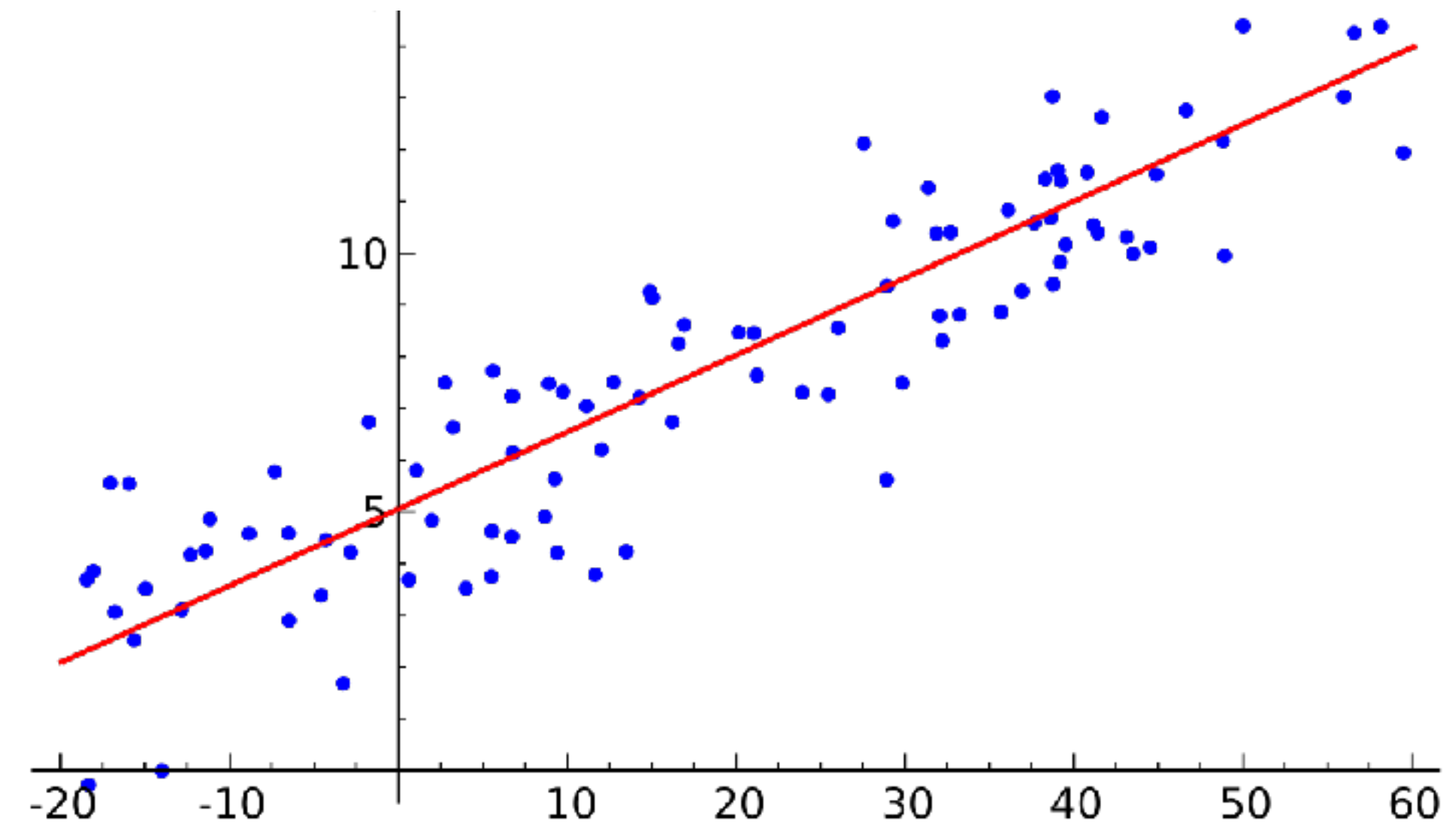
“An important feature of a learning machine is that its teacher will often be very largely ignorant of quite what is going on inside”

Alan Turing

- While we don't know *how* our brain converts input to output, we know what the output should be for every input.
- We can use this knowledge to teach the machine.

Machine Learning

- In modern terms:
- Child machine: *Model*
- Blank sheets: *Model parameters*
- Teacher: *Loss function*

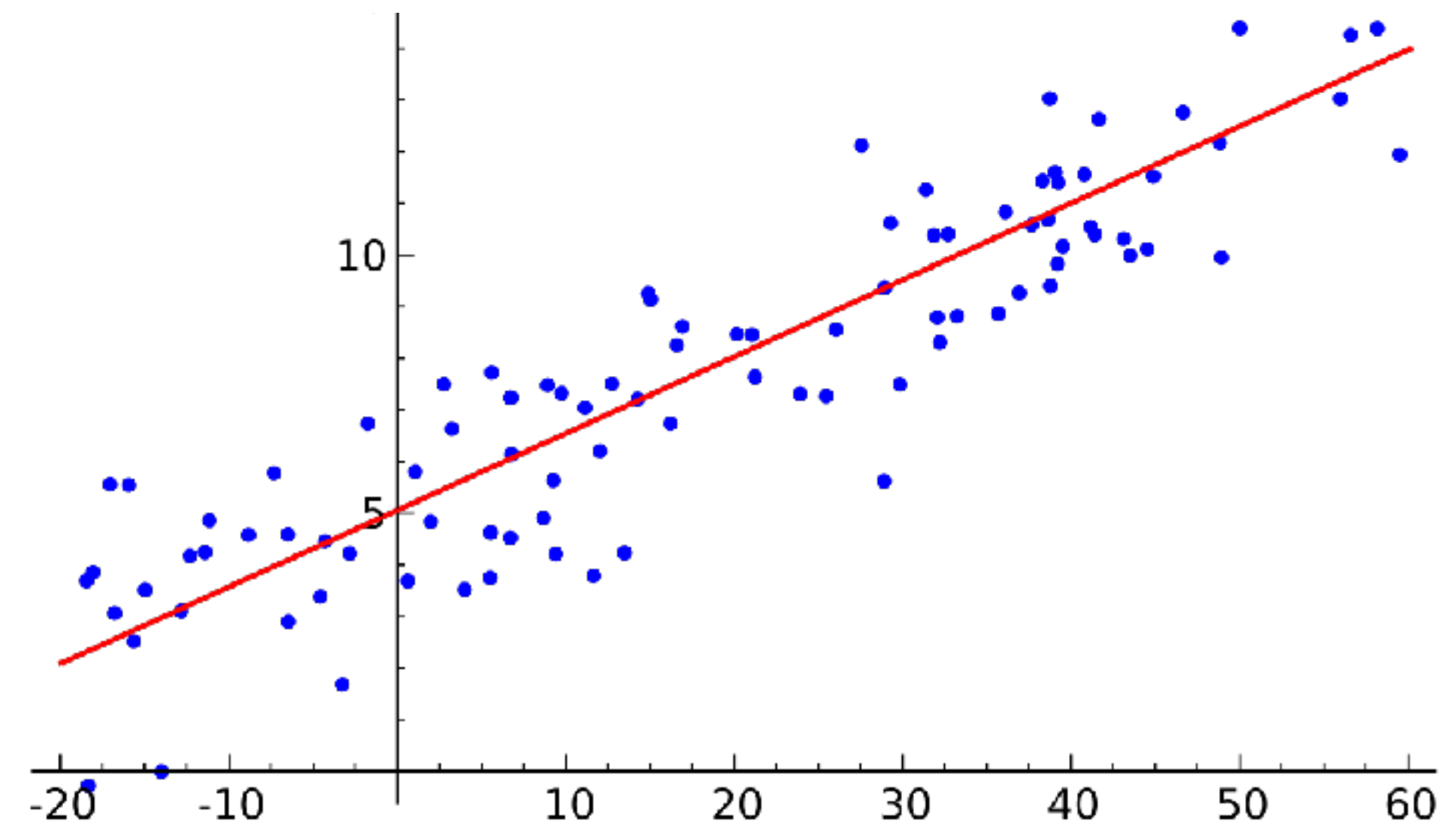


Predicted Output $\Rightarrow \hat{y} = wx + b$ **Input**

Desired Output $\rightarrow L = (y - \hat{y})^2$

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Parameters

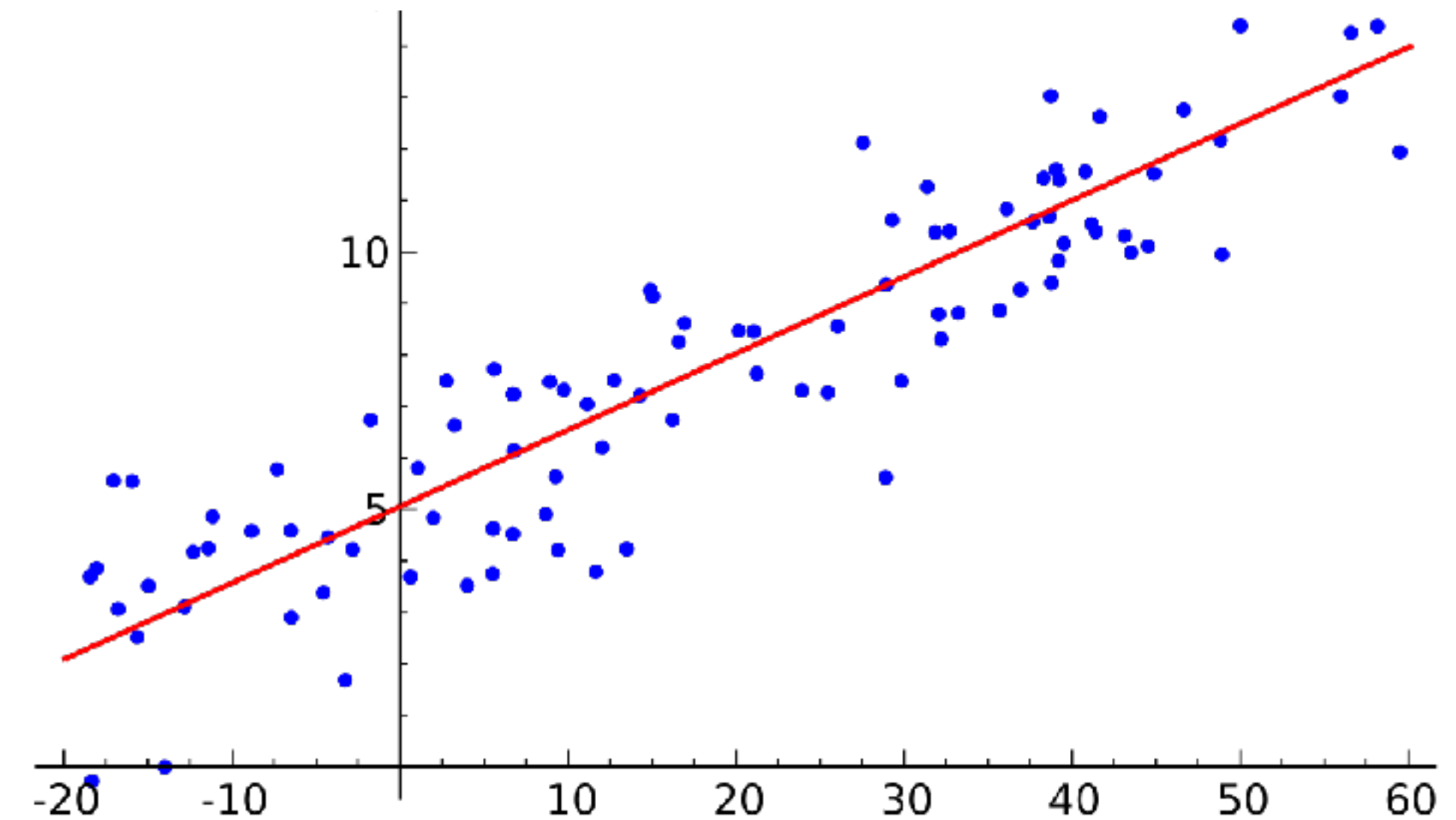
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We want to find the parameter values that minimize the loss:

$$w^*, b^* = \arg \min_{w, b} L$$

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$$\hat{y} = Xw$$

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$$\min_w$$

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$$||Xw - y||_2^2$$

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$$||Xw - y||_2^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\vec{x}_i^T w - y_i \right)^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} ||Xw - y||_2^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\vec{x}_i^T w - y_i \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\hat{y}_i - y_i \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\hat{w} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

Reminders

- Sign up for Piazza
- Look out for HW0 and HW1
- Discussion sections start Wednesday