Intuitive Introduction to Machine Learning for Ubiquitous Computing
My Goals in this Section

- If you know machine learning
  - Set off light bulb
  - Projects involving ML?
- If you don’t know machine learning
  - Get general idea, how it’s used
- Knowledge will also make papers easier to read/understand
Recall: Activity Recognition

- Want app to detect when user is performing any of the following 6 activities
  - Walking,
  - Jogging,
  - Ascending stairs,
  - Descending stairs,
  - Sitting,
  - Standing
Recall: Activity Recognition Overview

- Gather Accelerometer data
- Machine Learning Classifier
  - Walking
  - Running
  - Climbing Stairs

(a) Walking

Accelerometer data
Recall: Example Accelerometer Data for Activities

Different user activities generate different accelerometer patterns
Recall: Example Accelerometer Data for Activities

Different user activities generate different accelerometer patterns
DIY Activity Recognition (AR) Android App

- As user performs an activity, AR app on user’s smartphone
  1. Gathers accelerometer data
  2. Uses **machine learning classifier** to determine what activity (running, jumping, etc) accelerometer pattern corresponds to

- **Classifier**: Machine learning algorithm that guesses what activity **class** (or type) accelerometer sample corresponds to

```
msensor = (mSensorManager) getSystemService(Context.SENSOR_SERVICE)
    ....
Public void onSensorChanged(SensorEvent event){
    ....
}
```

Next: Machine learning Classification
Classification for Ubiquitous Computing
Classification

- **Classification** is a type of machine learning used a lot in Ubicomp.
- Classification determines which class a sample (e.g., snippet of accelerometer data) belongs to. Examples:
  - **Voice Sample**
    - Machine Learning Classifier
    - Activity Recognition App
    - Classes: Walking, Jogging, Sitting still, Ascending Stairs
  - **Stress Sample**
    - Machine Learning Classifier
    - Stress Detector App
    - Classes: Stressed, Not Stressed
Classification

Image showing Facial Expression

Facial Interpretation App

Machine Learning Classifier

Classes

Anger
Disgust
Fear
Happy
Neutral
Sadness
Surprise
Classifier

- Analyses new sample, guesses corresponding class
- Intuitively, can think of classifier as set of rules for classification. E.g.
- Example rules for classifying accelerometer signal in Activity Recognition

```plaintext
If ((Accelerometer peak value > 12 m/s) and (Accelerometer average value < 6 m/s)) {
    Activity = "Jogging";
}
```
Training a Classifier

- Created using example-based approach (called training)
- **Training a classifier**: Given examples of each class => generate rules to categorize new samples
- **E.g:** Analyze 30+ Examples (from 30 subjects) of accelerometer signal for each activity type (walking, jogging, sitting, ascending stairs) => generate rules (classifier) to classify future activities

![Diagram of activity recognition classifier with examples of user walking, jogging, sitting, and ascending stairs.]
Training a Classifier: Steps
Steps for Training a Classifier

1. Gather data samples + label them
2. Import accelerometer samples into classification library (e.g. Weka, MATLAB)
3. Pre-processing (segmentation, smoothing, etc)
4. Extract features
5. Train classifier
6. Export classification model as JAR file
7. Import into Android app
Step 1: Gather Sample data + Label them

- Need many samples of accelerometer data corresponding to each activity type (jogging, walking, sitting, ascending stairs, etc)

- Need 30+ samples of each activity type

- Train Machine Learning Classifier

- Activity Recognition Classification model

- Samples of user standing

- Samples of user jogging

- Samples of user walking

- Samples of user sitting

- Samples of user ascending stairs
Step 1: Gather Sample data + Label them

- Conduct a study to gather sample accelerometer data for each activity class
  - Recruit 30+ subjects
  - Run program that gathers accelerometer sensor data on subject’s phone
  - Each subject:
    - Perform each activity (walking, jogging, sitting, etc)
    - Collect accelerometer data while they perform each activity (walking, jogging, sitting, etc)
  - Label data. i.e. tag each accelerometer sample with the corresponding activity
- Now have 30+ examples of each activity
Step 1: Gather Sample data + Label them
Program to Gather Accelerometer Data

- **Option 1:** Can write sensor program app that gathers accelerometer data while user is doing each of 6 activities (1 at a time)

```java
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    getSystemService(Context.SENSOR_SERVICE)

....

public void onSensorChanged(SensorEvent event) {
    ....
}
```
Step 1: Gather Sample data + Label them
Program to Gather Accelerometer Data

- **Option 2:** Use 3rd party app to gather accelerometer
  - 2 popular ones: Funf and AndroSensor
  - Just download app,
    - Select sensors to log (e.g. accelerometer)
  - Continuously gathers sensor data in background
- FUNF app from MIT
  - Accelerometer readings
  - Phone calls
  - SMS messages, etc
- AndroSensor
Step 2: Import accelerometer samples into classification library (e.g. Weka, MATLAB)

- Import accelerometer data (labelled with corresponding activity) into Weka, MATLAB, scikit-learn (or other Machine learning Framework)

![Accelerometer Data and Labels]

- Walking
- Ascending stairs
- Sitting
- Jogging

Classifier is trained offline

Weka, Matlab

Classifiers
Step 3: Pre-processing (segmentation, smoothing, etc)

Segment Data (Windows)

- Pre-processing data (in Weka, or MATLAB) may include segmentation, smoothing, etc
  - **Segment**: Divide data into smaller chunks. E.g. divide 60 seconds of raw time-series data into 5 second chunks
    - Note: 5 seconds of accelerometer data could be 100s of readings
  - **Smoothing**: Replace groups of values with moving average
Step 4: Compute (Extract) Features

- For each 5-second segment (batch of accelerometer values) compute features (in Weka, MATLAB, etc)
- **Features**: Formulas computed to quantify attributes of accelerometer data, captures accelerometer characteristics
- **Examples**: min-max of values within each segment, largest magnitude, standard deviation
Step 4: Compute (Extract) Features

- **Important:** Ideally, values of features different for, distinguish each activity type (class)
- **E.g:** Min-max range feature
Step 4: Compute (Extract) Features

- **Average**[3]: Average acceleration (for each axis)
- **Standard Deviation**[3]: Standard deviation (for each axis)
- **Average Absolute Difference**[3]: Average absolute difference between the value of each of the 200 readings within the ED and the mean value over those 200 values (for each axis)
- **Average Resultant Acceleration**[1]: Average of the square roots of the sum of the values of each axis squared \(\sqrt{(x_i^2 + y_i^2 + z_i^2)}\) over the ED
- **Time Between Peaks**[3]: Time in milliseconds between peaks in the sinusoidal waves associated with most activities (for each axis)
- **Binned Distribution**[30]: We determine the range of values for each axis (maximum – minimum), divide this range into 10 equal sized bins, and then record what fraction of the 200 values fell within each of the bins.
Step 5: Train classifier

- Features are just numbers (e.g. values of features for different subjects, activities)
- Different values for different activities
- Training classifier: figures out feature values corresponding to each activity
- Weka, MATLAB already programmed with different classification algorithms (SVM, Naïve Bayes, Random Forest, J48, logistic regression, SMO, etc)
- Try different ones, compare accuracy
- SVM example
Step 5: Train classifier

- Typically split data: E.g. 80% for training classifier, 20% for testing
- **Example:** Decision Tree Classifier
- **Training phase:** Learns thresholds for feature values extracted from examples, which separate the classes
- **Test phase:** Feature values of new sample compared against learned thresholds at each node to determine its class
Step 5: MATLAB Classification Learner App

- Import accelerometer data into MATLAB
- Click and select Classifier types to compare
Step 5: Train classifier

Compare Accuracy of Classifier Algorithms

- Weka, MATLAB also reports accuracy of each classifier type
- **Accuracy**: Percentage of test cases that classifier guessed correctly

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Compare, pick most accurate classification algorithm
Step 6: Export Classification model as JAR file
Step 7: Import into Android app

- Export classification model (most accurate classifier type + data threshold values) as Java JAR file
- Import JAR file into Android app
- In app write Android code to
  - Gather accelerometer data, segment, extract feature, classify using classifier in JAR file
- Classifies new accelerometer patterns while user is performing activity => Guess (infer) what activity

New accelerometer Sample in real time

Activity (e.g. Jogging)
Support Vector Machine (SVM)
Scalable Vector Machines (SVM)

- One of the most popular classification algorithms
- If plot example points with features as axes
- Classification problem: Find boundary between classes
- E.g. Classify healthy vs unhealthy patients
- 2 Features are strongest predictors
  - Age
  - Maximum exercise rate

Classification algorithm (e.g. SVM) finds this boundary

Figure 1. Using SVM to predict the presence of heart disease. The dark green region represents the profile of healthy adults, while the gray region represents the profile of heart disease patients. The light green and black points represent healthy adults and heart disease patients respectively.
SVM: Delineating Boundaries

- Multiple ways to delineate optimal boundary

Figure 2. Multiple ways to separate two groups.
SVM: Support Vectors

- SVM first finds peripheral data points in group 1 that are closest to the points in group 2 (called support vectors)
- Then find optimal boundary between support vectors of both groups
- Since SVM uses only relatively few data points (support vectors), it is computationally efficient
SVM Limitations

- **Inaccurate for small datasets:** Smaller dataset would have fewer points, less likely to find good support vectors

- **Classifying multiple groups:**
  - SVM classifies 2 groups at a time.
  - Multiple groups handled by making multiple 2-group classifications
  - Multi-group SVM: On each iteration, classify 1 group from the rest

- **Overlapping groups:**
  - Since SVM classifies points based on what side of boundary it lies, overlapping groups present a challenge
  - If classes overlap, points close to boundary may be mis-classified
More on classifier Types

$k$-Nearest Neighbors
**K-Nearest Neighbors**

- Classify each point same as majority of its $k$ nearest neighbors
- E.g if $k = 5$, in the example below, then the unknown point (4 red neighbors, 1 black) would be classified as being red

![Image](image-url)

**Figure 1.** The center data point would be classified as red by a majority vote from its five nearest neighbors.

- $k$ is the number of neighbors to consider for voting
**K-Nearest Neighbors**

- $k$ is a tuning parameter, affects accuracy
- $k$ too small, only considers immediate neighbors $\Rightarrow$ overfitting
- $k$ too large, tries to fit data points too far $\Rightarrow$ underfit

*Figure 2. Comparison of model fit using varying values of $k$. Points in the black region are predicted to be white wines, while those in the red region are predicted to be red wines.*
Context Sensing
Recall: Ubicomp Senses User’s Context

- Context?
  - *Human*: motion, mood, identity, gesture
  - *Environment*: temperature, sound, humidity, location
  - *Computing Resources*: Hard disk space, memory, bandwidth
  - *Ubicomp example*:
    - *Assistant senses*: Temperature outside is 10F (environment sensing) + Human plans to go work (schedule)
    - *Ubicomp assistant advises*: Dress warm!

- Sensed **environment + Human + Computer resources = Context**
- *Context-Aware* applications adapt their behavior to context
Context Sensing

- Activity Recognition uses data from accelerometer and gyroscope (2 sensors)
- Can combine multiple sensors, use machine learning to learn user context that occur to various outcomes (e.g. user’s emotion)
- More later
Regression
Regression?

- Gather sleep data (sleep duration, 6 features) from 8 subjects
- Fit data to line
  - y axis - sleep duration
  - x-axes – Weighted sum of 6 features
- **Weighted sum?** Determine weights for each feature that minimizes error
- Using line of best fit, in future sleep duration can be inferred from feature values
Linear Regression

- Strongest predictors of home prices are:
  1. Number of rooms in the house
  2. Number of low income neighbors in that area

- Linear Regression:
  1. Plot these variables for actual example homes
  2. Fit line of best fit
  3. Can use this line to guess price of any home

![Figure 1. House price against number of rooms.](image)
Linear Regression: Combining Predictors

- Some predictors usually have more weight than others
- Sometimes combine predictors as a weighted sum
- For instance, give larger weights to stronger predictors
- Weights assigned to variables are called **regression coefficients**

Figure 3. House price against a weighted combination of number of rooms and neighborhood affluence.
Different Types of Regression

- Different regression functions to fit data to
  - Linear
  - Polynomial
  - Decision tree
  - Etc
- Determine which function has best fit, lowest error (difference)
$r$: Correlation Coefficient

- $r$: A measure of how well points fit line

- **Direction**: positive value means outcome (e.g. housing price) increases with increases in predictor (e.g. number of rooms)

- **Magnitude**: Values closer to 1 or -1 indicate better fit

![Figure 6. Examples of data spread corresponding to various correlation coefficients.](image)
Regression: Limitations

- **Sensitive to outliers:** Since all points are equally weighted, regression line can be affected by outliers
  - Removing outliers can improve regression fit ($r$)

- **Multicollinearity:** Some predictors may be correlated, reducing accuracy of regression line.
  - **Solutions:** Exclude correlated predictors or use advanced techniques (e.g. Lasso or ridge regression)
Regression: Limitations

- **Non-linear or curved trends**: Some trends may not be linear, or may be curved.
  - May use non-linear regression line

- Correlation is not causation:
  - Unrelated things may also seem to be good predictors
  - E.g. dog ownership and house prices
Deep Learning
Deep Learning

- Network of nodes, connectivity weights learned from data
- Learns best weights to classify inputs (x) into outputs y
- Can think about it as curve fitting
- Generally more accurate if more data is available
- Requires lots of computational power to train
Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)

- Different types of neural networks good for different things
- Convolutional Neural Networks good for classifying images
- E.g. Is there a cat in an input picture?
Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)

- Good at classifying sequential data
- E.g. Speech translation: sequence of words
- E.g. translate german sentence to English
Many python libraries for neural networks/deep learning

Enable training neural networks in a few lines of code
  - Keras
  - PyTorch
  - ScikitLearn

Training neural networks on Smartphone still tough

New in Android 8.1: Android Neural Networks API (NNAPI) allows inference (test) of pre-trained neural networks on smartphone
  - Minimally supports several machine learning frameworks (e.g. Tensorflow lite, caffe2)

Keras also has some mobile support
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