# CS 6316 Machine Learning

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We will have one more TA for this class.

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- Proficiency in Python
  Some machine learning packages, e.g., sklearn and
  PyTorch/Tensorflow

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#### Top three answers

- To learn using machine learning to solve real-world problems (64 votes)
- To learn the basic ideas of machine learning (58 votes)
- To learn how to use machine learning packages (Sklearn, PyTorch, etc.) (51 votes)

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▶ Goodfellow, Bengio, and Courville. *Deep Learning*. 2016



This course will cover the basic materials on the following topics

- 1. Introduction to learning theory
- 2. Linear classification and regression
- 3. Model selection and validation
- 4. Support vector machines and kernel methods
- 5. Optimization methods
- 6. Neural networks and deep learning

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- Advanced topics in machine learning
  - e.g., Reinforcement learning, active learning, semi-supervised learning, online learning
  - CS 6501/4501 Interpretable Machine Learning by Hanjie Chen and Yangfeng Ji

For students looking for additional reading materials

- Bishop. Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning. 2006
- Murphy. Machine Learning: A Probabilistic Perspective. 2012
- Mohri, Rostamizadeh, and Talwalkar. Foundations of Machine Learning. 2nd Edition. 2018
- Hastie, Tibshirani, and Friedman. The Elements of Statistical Learning (2nd Edition). 2009

#### Homeworks (72%)

▶ Four homeworks, each of them worth 18%

### Final project (25%)

- Project proposal: 8%
- ▶ Final project presentation: 7%
- Final project report: 10%
- Class attendance (3%): we will take attendance at three randomly-selected lectures. Each is worth 1%

The final grade is threshold-based instead of percentage-based

Point range	Letter grade
[99 100]	A+
[94 99)	А
[90 94)	A-
[88 90)	B+
[83 88)	В
[80 83)	B-
[74 80)	C+
[67 74)	С
[60 67)	C-

- Homework submission will be accepted up to 72 hours late, with 20% deduction per 24 hours on the points as a penalty
- Submission will not be accepted if more than 72 hours late
- Make sure not submit wrong files
  - it is students responsibility to make sure they submit the right and complete files for each homework
- ▶ It is usually better if students just turn in what they have in time

Plagiarism, examples are

- in a homework submission, copying answers from others directly (including, some minor changes)
- in a report, copying texts from a published paper (including, some minor changes)
- in a code, using someone else's functions/implementations without acknowledging the contribution

Course webpage

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http://yangfengji.net/uva-ml-course/
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which contains all the information you need about this course.

Collab

- For releasing homeworks and grading
- Campuswire
  - ► For announcement, online QA, discussion, etc.
  - Using the following link and code "0709"

https://campuswire.com/p/GE924A494

• Or, let our TAs know if you have received the invitation link

# Now, let's have some fun!

Warning: you will see lots of mathematical notations.