# Visualization for Machine Learning

#### **Cmpt 767 - Visualization**

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#### Overview

- Machine learning tasks
- Vis for ML
- ML for Vis

## Visualization: Secret Weapon for ML

Fernanda Viegas and Martin Wattenberg VDS 2017 Keynote

- ML is important in the world, dramatic tech leaps
- What is the best way to train models and debug them?
- How to understand what's going on under the hood of deep NNs?
- Interactive exploration can help people use, interpret, and learn about machine intelligence

# Tasks performed by and for ML

## ML Task Categories: By Output

- Classification
- Regression
- Clustering
- Association rules
- Forecasting
- Dimensional reduction
- Density estimation

## ML Task categories: By Training

#### Supervised learning

- Inputs and desired outputs are given
- Find rule that maps unseen inputs to outputs

#### Semi-supervised learning

Supervised learning with only few of the target outputs given

#### Active learning

Data is not given, but asked for

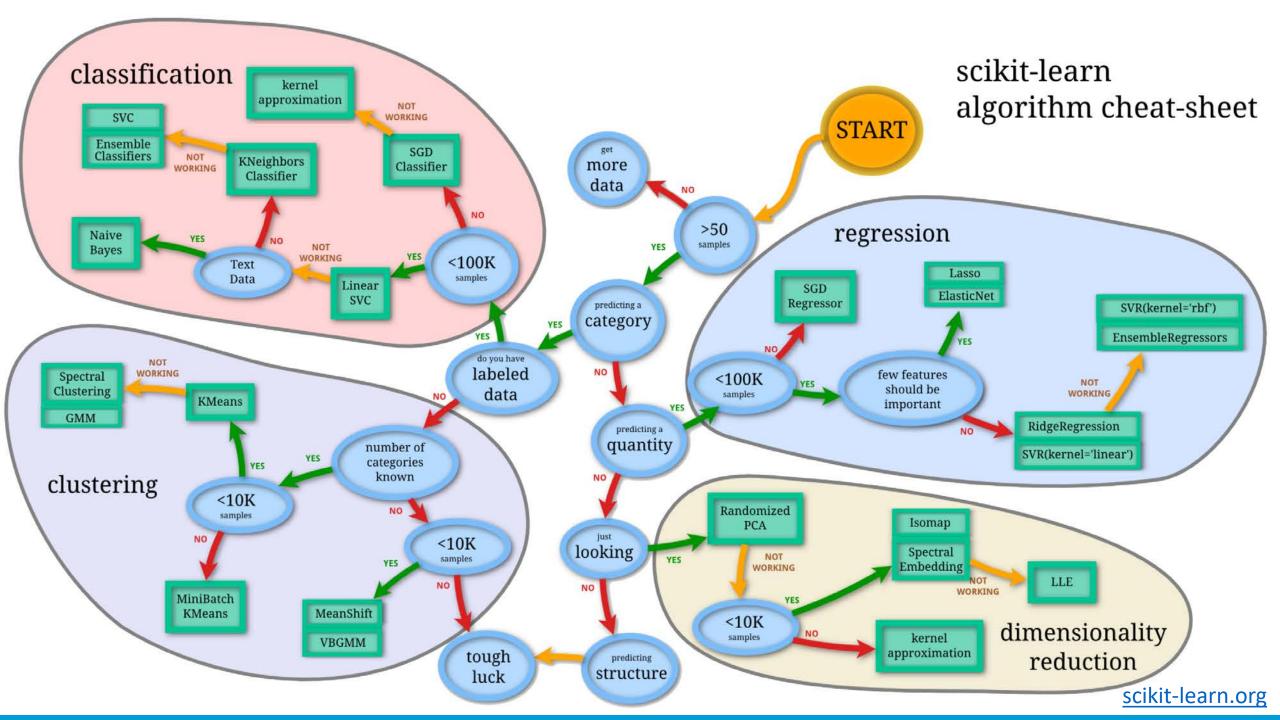
#### Unsupervised learning

- No labels given
- Discover hidden patterns and structure in inputs
- Feature learning

#### Reinforcement learning

• Rewards/punishments given as feedback to actions in dynamic environment

[wikipedia]



## Tasks for Machine Learning

#### For a given problem

- Choose a model class & estimator, loss function, optimization method
- Determine the right training data (attributes, distribution)

#### For a given model class

- Estimate model parameters to fit with given observations
- Make predictions, determine and communicate uncertainty
- Analyse model behaviour over a region of inputs
- Understand how model works, explain its decision making
- Validate fit of training assumptions vs operating conditions

All of the above: data-driven Some of them: human-in-the-loop

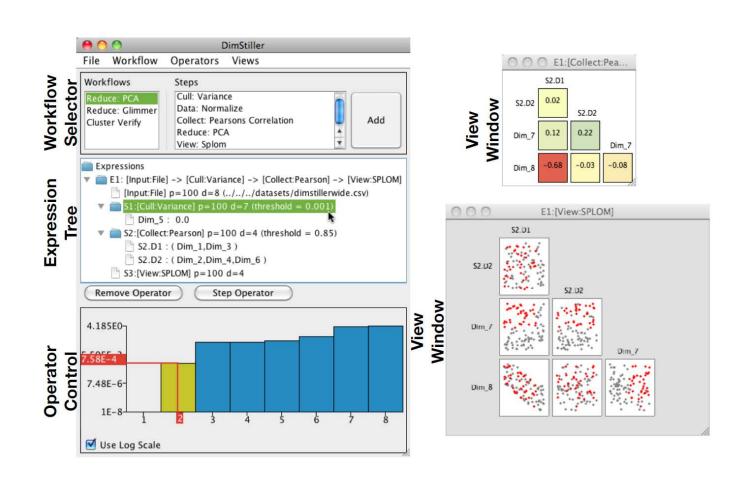
# Cluster Analysis

#### Cluster Visualization

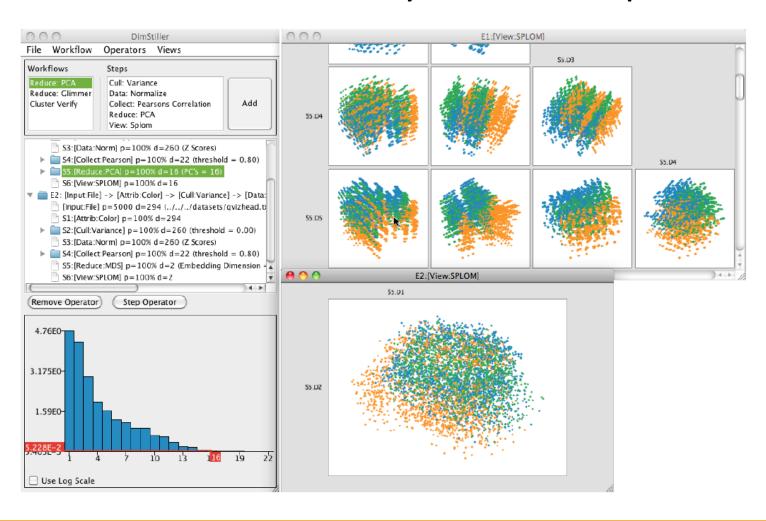
- Treat cluster label as categorical variable
- Multi-variate vis technique with encoding for label attribute

## Example: DimStiller Workflows

- Goal: Understand and transform input data
- Chaining together operators into pipelines



## DimStiller Cluster Analysis Example



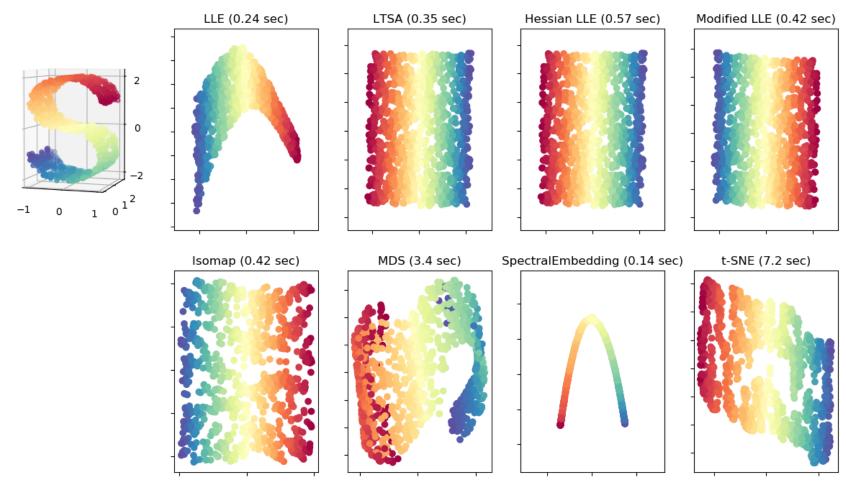
## Dimension Reduction

#### Dimension Reduction

- Principal Component Analysis
- t-SNE
- Independent Component Analysis
- Manifold Learning

## Manifold learning

Manifold Learning with 1000 points, 10 neighbors



# Model Explanation

## Model explanation

• Lime: Explaining the predictions of any ML classifier

SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations)

# Deep Learning / Neural Networks

## Visual Analytics in Deep Learning: An Interrogative Survey for the Next Frontiers

Fred Hohman, Member, IEEE, Minsuk Kahng, Member, IEEE, Robert Pienta, Member, IEEE, and Duen Horng Chau, Member, IEEE

**Abstract**—Deep learning has recently seen rapid development and received significant attention due to its state-of-the-art performance on previously-thought hard problems. However, because of the internal complexity and nonlinear structure of deep neural networks, the **underlying decision making processes** for why these models are achieving such performance are challenging and [...]

• [TVCG 2018] Web version

## Interrogative Questions

Interpretability & Explainability		Node-link Diagrams for Network Architecture	
Debugging & Improving Models	WHY WHO	Dimensionality Reduction & Scatter Plots	
Comparing & Selecting Models		Line Charts for Temporal Metrics	포
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Model Users		Algorithms for Attribution & Feature Visualization	
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#### Further directions

#### Debugging tools

- Tensorboard: Visualizing Learning
- Visdom (only supports (Py)Torch and numpy)

#### Explainables

- R2D3
- Tensorboard Playground

#### **Model visualization**

- LSTM-Vis: <a href="http://lstm.seas.harvard.edu/client/index.html">http://lstm.seas.harvard.edu/client/index.html</a>
- Building blocks of interpretability