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Feature Engineering for Machine Learning

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"Mesmerizing & fascinating..."

—The Seattle Post-Intelligencer

"The Freakonomics of big data." —Stein Kretsinger,

founding executive of

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languages An introduction for

everyone. In this rich,

fascinating — surprisingly

accessible — introduction,

leading expert Eric Siegel

reveals how predictive

analytics (aka machine

learning) works, and how it

affects everyone every day.

Rather than a "how to" for

hands-on techies, the book serves lay readers and experts

alike by covering new case

studies and the latest state-of-

the-art techniques. Prediction

is booming. It reinvents

industries and runs the world.

Companies, governments, law

enforcement, hospitals, and

universities are seizing upon

the power. These institutions

predict whether you're going to

click, buy, lie, or die. Why? For

good reason: predicting human

behavior combats risk, boosts

sales, fortifies healthcare,

streamlines manufacturing,

conquers spam, optimizes

social networks, toughens

crime fighting, and wins

elections. How? Prediction is

powered by the world's most potent, flourishing unnatural

resource: data. Accumulated in

large part as the by-product of

routine tasks, data is the

unsalted, flavorless residue

deposited en masse as

organizations churn away.

Surprise! This heap of refuse is

a gold mine. Big data

embodies an extraordinary

wealth of experience from

which to learn. Predictive

analytics (aka machine

learning) unleashes the power

of data. With this technology,

the computer literally learns

from data how to predict the

future behavior of individuals.

Perfect prediction is not

possible, but putting odds on

the future drives millions of decisions more effectively, determining whom to call, mail, investigate, incarcerate, set up on a date, or medicate. In this lucid, captivating introduction — now in its Revised and Updated edition — former Columbia University professor and Predictive Analytics World founder Eric Siegel reveals the power and perils of prediction: What type of mortgage risk Chase Bank predicted before the recession. Predicting which people will drop out of school, cancel a subscription, or get divorced before they even know it themselves. Why early retirement predicts a shorter life expectancy and

vegetarians miss fewer flights. Five reasons why organizations predict death — including one health insurance company. How U.S. Bank and Obama for America calculated the way to most strongly persuade each individual. Why the NSA wants all your data: machine learning supercomputers to fight terrorism. How IBM's Watson computer used predictive modeling to answer questions and beat the human champs on TV's Jeopardy! How companies ascertain untold, private truths — how Target figures out you're pregnant and Hewlett-Packard deduces you're about to quit your job.

How judges and parole boards rely on crime-predicting computers to decide how long convicts remain in prison. 182 examples from Airbnb, the BBC, Citibank, ConEd, Facebook, Ford, Google, the IRS, LinkedIn, Match.com, MTV, Netflix, PayPal, Pfizer, Spotify, Uber, UPS, Wikipedia, and more. How does predictive analytics work? This jam-packed book satisfies by demystifying the intriguing science under the hood. For future hands-on practitioners pursuing a career in the field, it sets a strong foundation, delivers the prerequisite knowledge, and whets your appetite for more. A truly

omnipresent science, predictive analytics constantly affects our daily lives. Whether you are a consumer of it — or consumed by it — get a handle on the power of Predictive Analytics.

Dissecting the Hack No

Starch Press

This compact book explores standard tools for text classification, and teaches the reader how to use machine learning to decide whether an e-mail is spam or ham (binary classification), based on raw data from The SpamAssassin Public Corpus. Of course, sometimes the items in one class are not created equally,

or we want to distinguish among them in some meaningful way. The second part of the book will look at how to not only filter spam from our email, but also placing "more important" messages at the top of the queue. This is a curated excerpt from the upcoming book "Machine Learning for Hackers."

Statistical Inference as Severe Testing Routledge
Dissecting the Hack: The Network ventures further into cutting-edge techniques and methods than

its predecessor, Dissecting the Hack: The Network. It forgoes the basics and delves straight into the action, as our heroes are chased around the world in a global race against the clock. The danger they face will forever reshape their lives and the price they pay for their actions will not only affect themselves, but could possibly shake the foundations of an entire nation. The book is divided into two parts. The first part, entitled "The Network," continues the fictional story of Bob and Leon, two hackers caught up in an adventure in which they learn

the deadly consequence of digital actions. The second part, "Security Threats Are Real" (STAR), focuses on these real-world lessons and advanced techniques, as used by characters in the story. This gives the reader not only textbook knowledge, but real-world context around how cyber-attacks may manifest. "The V3rb0t3n Network" can be read as a stand-alone story or as an illustration of the issues described in STAR. Scattered throughout "The V3rb0t3n Network" are "Easter eggs"—references, hints, phrases, and more that will lead

readers to insights into hacker culture. Drawing on "The V3rb0t3n Network," STAR explains the various aspects of reconnaissance; the scanning phase of an attack; the attacker's search for network weaknesses and vulnerabilities to exploit; the various angles of attack used by the characters in the story; basic methods of erasing information and obscuring an attacker's presence on a computer system; and the underlying hacking culture. All new volume of Dissecting the Hack by Jayson Street, with technical edit by Brian Martin Uses actual

hacking and security tools in its story – helps to familiarize readers with the many devices and their code Features cool new hacks and social engineering techniques, in real life context for ease of learning

Artificial Intelligence and Software Engineering
University of Ottawa Press

The past decade has witnessed extraordinary advances in artificial intelligence. But what precisely is it

and where does its future lie? In this brilliant, one-stop guide WIRED journalist Matt Burgess explains everything you need to know about AI. He describes how it works. He looks at the ways in which it has already brought us everything from voice recognition software to self-driving cars, and explores its potential for further revolutionary change

in almost every area of our daily lives. He examines the darker side of machine learning: its susceptibility to hacking; its tendency to discriminate against particular groups; and its potential misuse by governments. And he addresses the fundamental question: can machines become as intelligent as human beings? Business unIntelligence "O'Reilly Media, Inc."

Introduction -- China's Sputnik moment -- Copycats in the Coliseum -- China's alternate Internet universe -- A tale of two countries -- The four waves of AI -- Utopia, dystopia, and the real AI crisis -- The wisdom of cancer -- A blueprint for human co-existence with AI -- Our global AI story
Envisioning Information Verso Books
If you 're an experienced programmer interested in crunching data, this book will get you started with machine learning—a toolkit of algorithms that enables computers to train themselves

to automate useful tasks. Authors Drew Conway and John Myles White help you understand machine learning and statistics tools through a series of hands-on case studies, instead of a traditional math-heavy presentation. Each chapter focuses on a specific problem in machine learning, such as classification, prediction, optimization, and recommendation. Using the R programming language, you'll learn how to analyze sample datasets and write simple machine learning algorithms. *Machine Learning for Hackers* is ideal for programmers from

any background, including business, government, and academic research. Develop a naïve Bayesian classifier to determine if an email is spam, based only on its text Use linear regression to predict the number of page views for the top 1,000 websites Learn optimization techniques by attempting to break a simple letter cipher Compare and contrast U.S. Senators statistically, based on their voting records Build a “whom to follow” recommendation system from Twitter data *Machine Learning for Absolute Beginners* John Wiley & Sons

Learn the skills necessary to design, build, and deploy applications powered by machine learning (ML). Through the course of this hands-on book, you'll build an example ML-driven application from initial idea to deployed product. Data scientists, software engineers, and product managers—including experienced practitioners and novices alike—will learn the tools, best practices, and challenges involved in building a real-world ML application step by step. Author Emmanuel Ameisen, an experienced data scientist who led an AI education program, demonstrates practical ML concepts using code snippets, illustrations, screenshots, and

interviews with industry leaders. Part I teaches you how to plan an ML application and measure success. Part II explains how to build a working ML model. Part III demonstrates ways to improve the model until it fulfills your original vision. Part IV covers deployment and monitoring strategies. This book will help you: Define your product goal and set up a machine learning problem Build your first end-to-end pipeline quickly and acquire an initial dataset Train and evaluate your ML models and address performance bottlenecks Deploy and monitor your models in a production environment

[The Antivirus Hacker's Handbook](#) Princeton University Press

University Press
With the reinvigoration of neural networks in the 2000s, deep learning has become an extremely active area of research, one that 's paving the way for modern machine learning. In this practical book, author Nikhil Buduma provides examples and clear explanations to guide you through major concepts of this complicated field. Companies such as Google, Microsoft, and Facebook are actively growing in-house deep-learning teams. For the rest of us, however, deep learning is still a pretty complex and difficult subject to

grasp. If you ' re familiar with Python, and have a background in calculus, along with a basic understanding of machine learning, this book will get you started. Examine the foundations of machine learning and neural networks Learn how to train feed-forward neural networks Use TensorFlow to implement your first neural network Manage problems that arise as you begin to make networks deeper Build neural networks that analyze complex images Perform effective dimensionality reduction using autoencoders Dive deep into

sequence analysis to examine language Learn the fundamentals of reinforcement learning
Doing Data Science
Random House
Escaping flatland.
Micro/Macro readings.
Layering and separation.
Small multiples. Color and information. Narratives of Space and time. Epilogue.
"O'Reilly Media, Inc."
Can machine learning techniques solve our computer security problems and finally put an end to the cat-and-mouse game between attackers and defenders? Or is this hope

merely hype? Now you can dive into the science and answer this question for yourself! With this practical guide, you 'll explore ways to apply machine learning to security issues such as intrusion detection, malware classification, and network analysis. Machine learning and security specialists Clarence Chio and David Freeman provide a framework for discussing the marriage of these two fields, as well as a toolkit of machine-learning algorithms that you can apply to an array of security problems. This book is ideal for security engineers and data scientists alike. Learn

how machine learning has contributed to the success of modern spam filters Quickly detect anomalies, including breaches, fraud, and impending system failure Conduct malware analysis by extracting useful information from computer binaries Uncover attackers within the network by finding patterns inside datasets Examine how attackers exploit consumer-facing websites and app functionality Translate your machine learning algorithms from the lab to production Understand the threat attackers pose to machine learning solutions

The Art of Intrusion Simon and Schuster

Machine learning has become an integral part of many commercial applications and research projects, but this field is not exclusive to large companies with extensive research teams. If you use Python, even as a beginner, this book will teach you practical ways to build your own machine learning solutions. With all the data available today, machine learning applications are limited only by your imagination. You ' ll learn the steps necessary to create a

successful machine-learning application with Python and the scikit-learn library. Authors Andreas M ü ller and Sarah Guido focus on the practical aspects of using machine learning algorithms, rather than the math behind them. Familiarity with the NumPy and matplotlib libraries will help you get even more from this book. With this book, you ' ll learn: Fundamental concepts and applications of machine learning Advantages and shortcomings of widely used machine learning algorithms How to represent data processed by machine

learning, including which data aspects to focus on Advanced methods for model evaluation and parameter tuning The concept of pipelines for chaining models and encapsulating your workflow Methods for working with text data, including text-specific processing techniques Suggestions for improving your machine learning and data science skills Building Machine Learning Powered Applications "O'Reilly Media, Inc." Now that people are aware that data can make the difference in an election or a

business model, data science as an occupation is gaining ground. But how can you get started working in a wide-ranging, interdisciplinary field that's so clouded in hype? This insightful book, based on Columbia University's Introduction to Data Science class, tells you what you need to know. In many of these chapter-long lectures, data scientists from companies such as Google, Microsoft, and eBay share new algorithms, methods, and models by presenting case studies and the code

they use. If you're familiar with linear algebra, probability, and statistics, and have programming experience, this book is an ideal introduction to data science. Topics include: Statistical inference, exploratory data analysis, and the data science process Algorithms Spam filters, Naive Bayes, and data wrangling Logistic regression Financial modeling Recommendation engines and causality Data visualization Social networks and data journalism Data

engineering, MapReduce, Pregel, and Hadoop Doing Data Science is collaboration between course instructor Rachel Schutt, Senior VP of Data Science at News Corp, and data science consultant Cathy O'Neil, a senior data scientist at Johnson Research Labs, who attended and blogged about the course. Coding Freedom John Wiley & Sons If you're looking to make a career move from programmer to AI specialist, this is the ideal place to start. Based on Laurence

Moroney's extremely successful AI courses, this introductory book provides a hands-on, code-first approach to help you build confidence while you learn key topics. You'll understand how to implement the most common scenarios in machine learning, such as computer vision, natural language processing (NLP), and sequence modeling for web, mobile, cloud, and embedded runtimes. Most books on machine learning begin with a daunting amount of advanced math.

This guide is built on practical lessons that let you work directly with the code. You'll learn: How to build models with TensorFlow using skills that employers desire The basics of machine learning by working with code samples How to implement computer vision, including feature detection in images How to use NLP to tokenize and sequence words and sentences Methods for embedding models in Android and iOS How to serve models over the web and in the cloud with

TensorFlow Serving Machine Learning for Kids "O'Reilly Media, Inc." Who are computer hackers? What is free software? And what does the emergence of a community dedicated to the production of free and open source software--and to hacking as a technical, aesthetic, and moral project--reveal about the values of contemporary liberalism? Exploring the rise and political significance of the free and open source software (F/OSS) movement in the United States and Europe, Coding Freedom details the ethics behind hackers' devotion to F/OSS, the social codes that guide its production, and the political

struggles through which hackers question the scope and direction of copyright and patent law. In telling the story of the F/OSS movement, the book unfolds a broader narrative involving computing, the politics of access, and intellectual property. E. Gabriella Coleman tracks the ways in which hackers collaborate and examines passionate manifestos, hacker humor, free software project governance, and festive hacker conferences. Looking at the ways that hackers sustain their productive freedom, Coleman shows that these activists, driven by a commitment to their work, reformulate key ideals including free speech, transparency, and meritocracy,

and refuse restrictive intellectual protections. Coleman demonstrates how hacking, so often marginalized or misunderstood, sheds light on the continuing relevance of liberalism in online collaboration.

A Hacker Manifesto Technics Publications

"The manner in which computers are now able to mimic human thinking to process information is rapidly exceeding human capabilities in everything from chess to picking the winner of a song contest. In the modern age of machine learning, computers do not strictly need to receive an 'input command' to

perform a task, but rather 'input data'. From the input of data they are able to form their own decisions and take actions virtually as a human world. But given it is a machine, it can consider many more scenarios and execute far more complicated calculations to solve complex problems. This is the element that excites data scientists and machine learning engineers the most. The ability to solve complex problems never before attempted. This book will dive in to introduce machine learning, and is ideal for beginners starting out in machine learning."--page 4 of

cover.

Practical Internet of Things
Security Farrar, Straus and
Giroux

Create your own natural
language training corpus for
machine learning. Whether
you ' re working with
English, Chinese, or any
other natural language, this
hands-on book guides you
through a proven annotation
development cycle—the
process of adding metadata
to your training corpus to
help ML algorithms work
more efficiently. You don ' t
need any programming or

linguistics experience to get
started. Using detailed
examples at every step,
you ' ll learn how the
MATTER Annotation
Development Process helps
you Model, Annotate, Train,
Test, Evaluate, and Revise
your training corpus. You
also get a complete
walkthrough of a real-world
annotation project. Define a
clear annotation goal before
collecting your dataset
(corpus) Learn tools for
analyzing the linguistic
content of your corpus Build
a model and specification for

your annotation project
Examine the different
annotation formats, from
basic XML to the Linguistic
Annotation Framework
Create a gold standard
corpus that can be used to
train and test ML algorithms
Select the ML algorithms
that will process your
annotated data Evaluate the
test results and revise your
annotation task Learn how to
use lightweight software for
annotating texts and
adjudicating the annotations
This book is a perfect
companion to O ' Reilly ' s

Natural Language Processing with Python.

Fundamentals of Deep Learning
Apress

Feature engineering is a crucial step in the machine-learning pipeline, yet this topic is rarely examined on its own. With this practical book, you ' ll learn techniques for extracting and transforming features—the numeric representations of raw data—into formats for machine-learning models. Each chapter guides you through a single data problem, such as how to represent text or image data. Together, these examples illustrate the main principles of feature engineering. Rather than simply teach these principles,

authors Alice Zheng and Amanda Casari focus on practical application with exercises throughout the book. The closing chapter brings everything together by tackling a real-world, structured dataset with several feature-engineering techniques. Python packages including numpy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, and Matplotlib are used in code examples. You ' ll examine: Feature engineering for numeric data: filtering, binning, scaling, log transforms, and power transforms Natural text techniques: bag-of-words, n-grams, and phrase detection Frequency-based filtering and feature scaling for eliminating uninformative features Encoding techniques of

categorical variables, including feature hashing and bin-counting Model-based feature engineering with principal component analysis The concept of model stacking, using k-means as a featurization technique Image feature extraction with manual and deep-learning techniques Artificial Intelligence "O'Reilly Media, Inc." Melanie Mitchell separates science fact from science fiction in this sweeping examination of the current state of AI and how it is remaking our world No recent scientific enterprise has proved as alluring,

terrifying, and filled with extravagant promise and frustrating setbacks as artificial intelligence. The award-winning author Melanie Mitchell, a leading computer scientist, now reveals AI ' s turbulent history and the recent spate of apparent successes, grand hopes, and emerging fears surrounding it. In *Artificial Intelligence*, Mitchell turns to the most urgent questions concerning AI today: How intelligent—really—are the best AI programs? How do they work? What can they

actually do, and when do they fail? How humanlike do we expect them to become, and how soon do we need to worry about them surpassing us? Along the way, she introduces the dominant models of modern AI and machine learning, describing cutting-edge AI programs, their human inventors, and the historical lines of thought underpinning recent achievements. She meets with fellow experts such as Douglas Hofstadter, the cognitive scientist and Pulitzer Prize – winning

author of the modern classic *G ö del, Escher, Bach*, who explains why he is “ terrified ” about the future of AI. She explores the profound disconnect between the hype and the actual achievements in AI, providing a clear sense of what the field has accomplished and how much further it has to go. Interweaving stories about the science of AI and the people behind it, *Artificial Intelligence* brims with clear-sighted, captivating, and accessible accounts of the

most interesting and provocative modern work in the field, flavored with Mitchell's humor and personal observations. This frank, lively book is an indispensable guide to understanding today's AI, its quest for "human-level" intelligence, and its impact on the future for us all. Hacker, Hoaxer, Whistleblower, Spy Packt Publishing Ltd
Hacker extraordinaire Kevin Mitnick delivers the explosive encore to his bestselling *The Art of Deception*. Kevin Mitnick, the world's most celebrated hacker, now devotes his life to helping

businesses and governments combat data thieves, cybervandals, and other malicious computer intruders. In his bestselling *The Art of Deception*, Mitnick presented fictionalized case studies that illustrated how savvy computer crackers use "social engineering" to compromise even the most technically secure computer systems. Now, in his new book, Mitnick goes one step further, offering hair-raising stories of real-life computer break-ins and showing how the victims could have prevented them. Mitnick's reputation within the hacker community gave him unique credibility with the perpetrators of these crimes, who freely shared

their stories with him—and whose exploits Mitnick now reveals in detail for the first time, including: A group of friends who won nearly a million dollars in Las Vegas by reverse-engineering slot machines Two teenagers who were persuaded by terrorists to hack into the Lockheed Martin computer systems Two convicts who joined forces to become hackers inside a Texas prison A "Robin Hood" hacker who penetrated the computer systems of many prominent companies—and then told them how he gained access With riveting "you are there" descriptions of real computer break-ins, indispensable tips on countermeasures security professionals need to implement

now, and Mitnick's own acerbic commentary on the crimes he describes, this book is sure to reach a wide audience—and attract the attention of both law enforcement agencies and the media.

Practical Machine Learning with Python John Wiley & Sons

Hack your antivirus software to stamp out future vulnerabilities

The Antivirus Hacker's

Handbook guides you through the process of reverse engineering antivirus software. You explore how to detect and exploit vulnerabilities that can be leveraged to improve future software design, protect your network, and anticipate attacks that may sneak through your

antivirus' line of defense. You'll begin building your knowledge by diving into the reverse engineering process, which details how to start from a finished antivirus software program and work your way back through its development using the functions and other key elements of the software. Next, you leverage your new knowledge about software development to evade, attack, and exploit antivirus software—all of which can help you strengthen your network and protect your data. While not all viruses are damaging, understanding how to better protect your computer against them can help you maintain the integrity of your network.

Discover how to reverse engineer

your antivirus software Explore methods of antivirus software evasion Consider different ways to attack and exploit antivirus software Understand the current state of the antivirus software market, and get recommendations for users and vendors who are leveraging this software The Antivirus Hacker's Handbook is the essential reference for software reverse engineers, penetration testers, security researchers, exploit writers, antivirus vendors, and software engineers who want to understand how to leverage current antivirus software to improve future applications.