# A CASUAL INTRODUCTION TO AI, ML, DL, & LLMS

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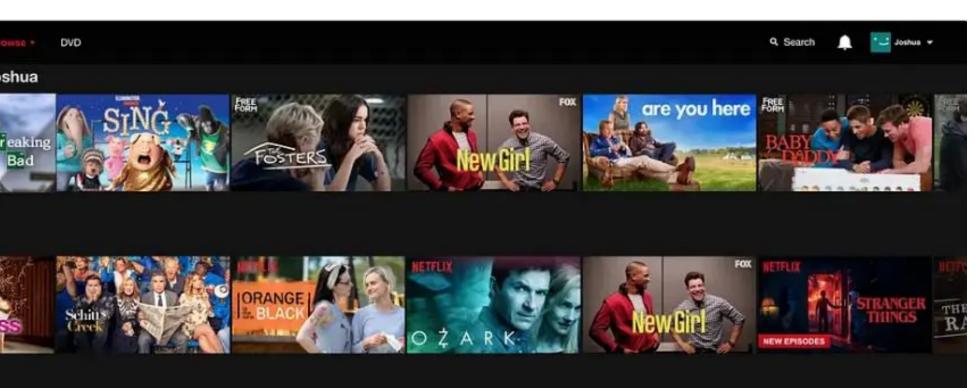
## GOALS

#### Explain what AI, ML, DL, and LLMs are. 1.

- 2. Explain how machines actually "learn."

3. Introduce some key applications of AI in the past, present, and future. (& Help you think about where the ethical challenges may arise!)



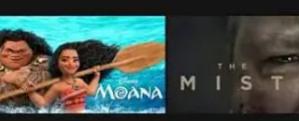








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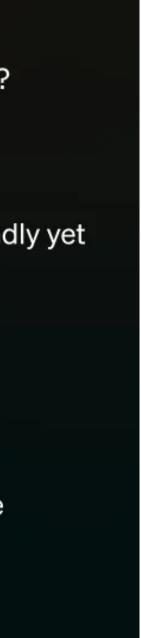


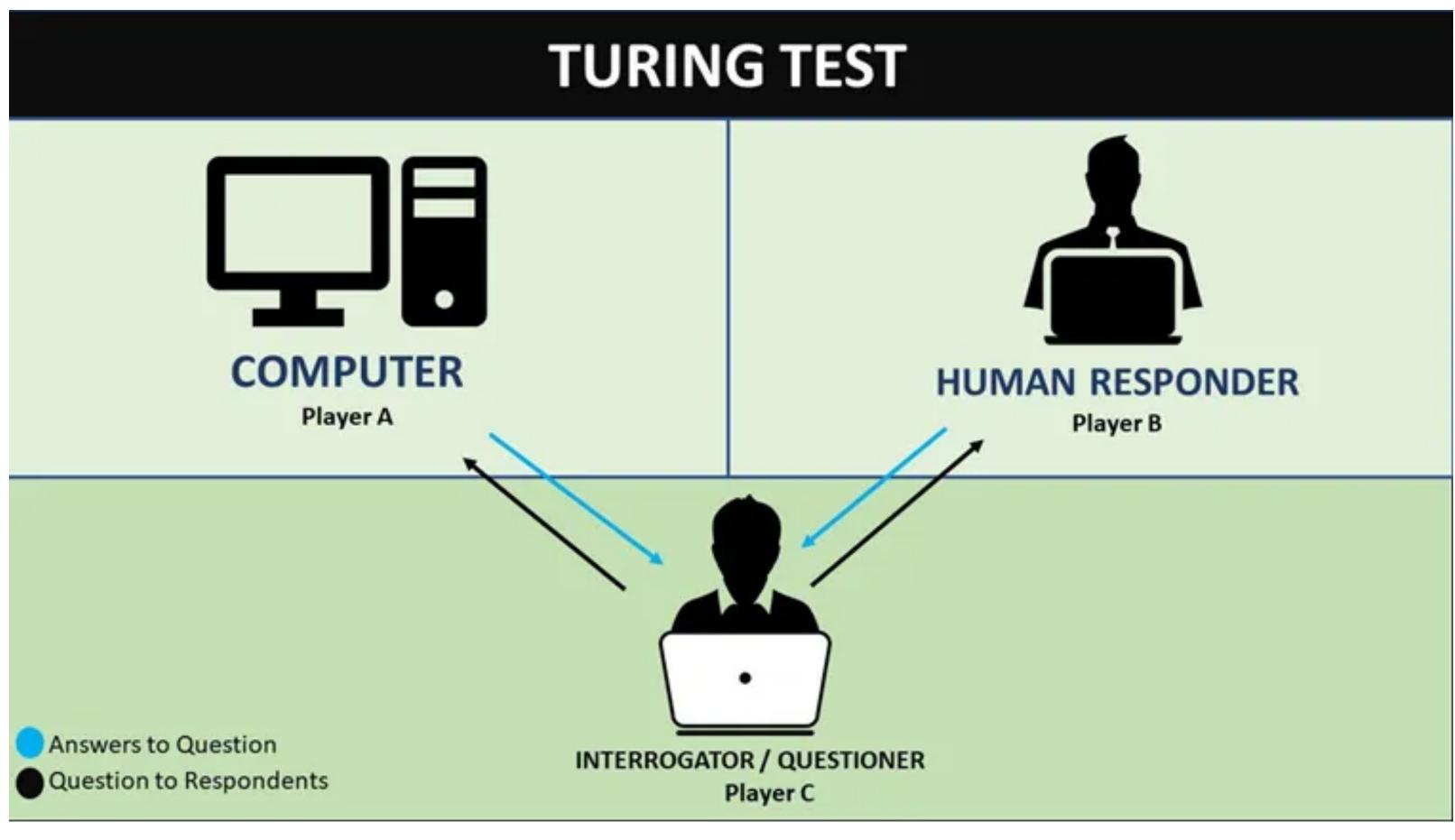
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Subject: Excited to Move Forward and Connect Further!

Hi Judy,

I hope this email finds you well. I wanted to express our genuine excitement 🔵



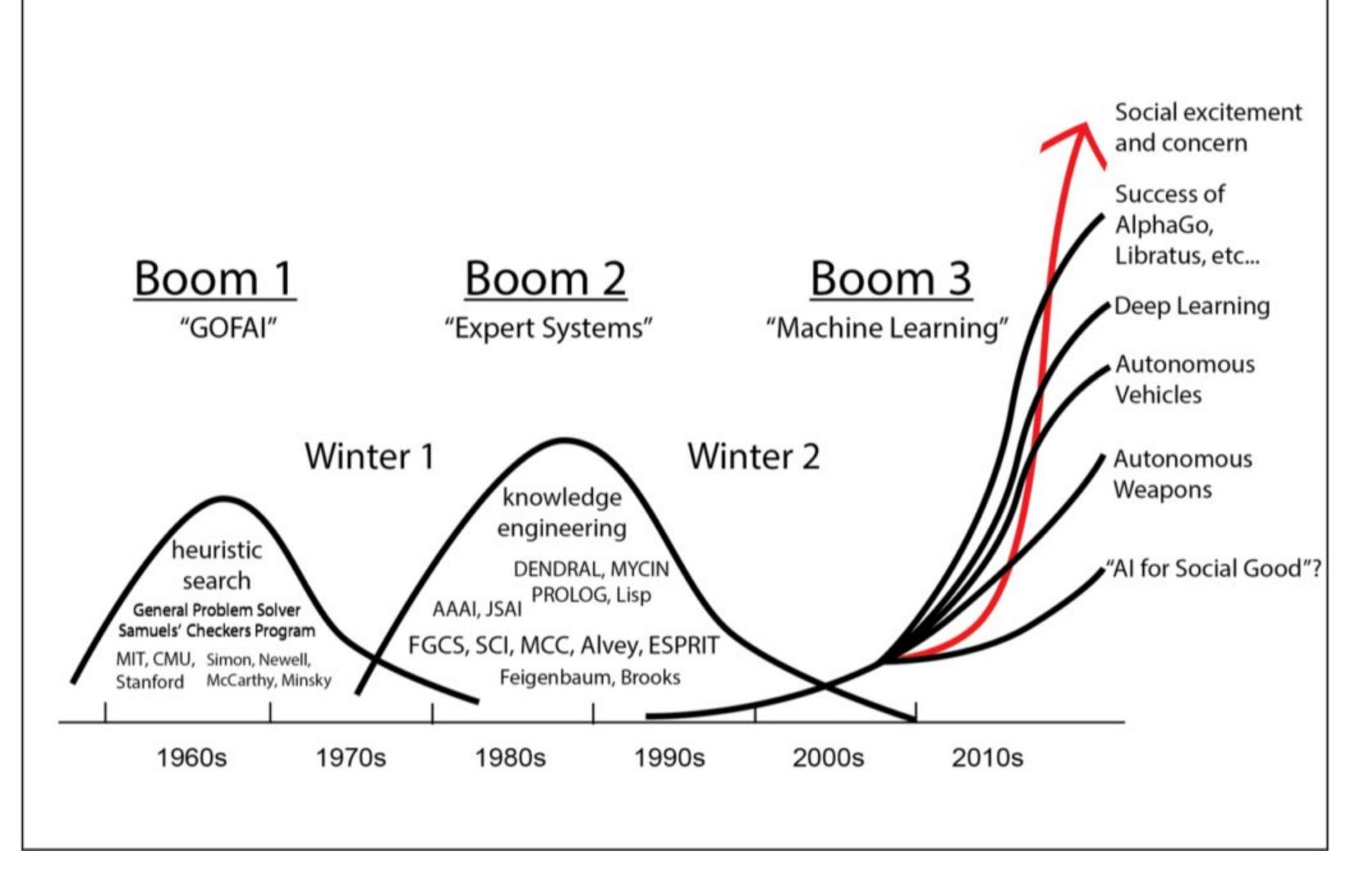


A. Turing (1950)

#### "We call programs intelligent if they exhibit **behaviors that would be** regarded intelligent if they were exhibited by human beings."

- Simon (see also: Minsky, 1968)

## AI: A HISTORY OF BOOMS & BUSTS

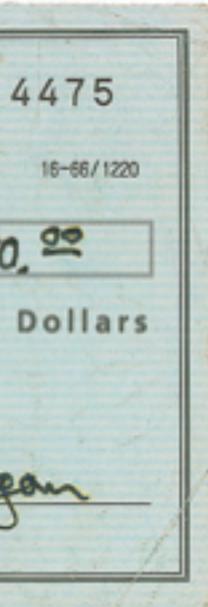


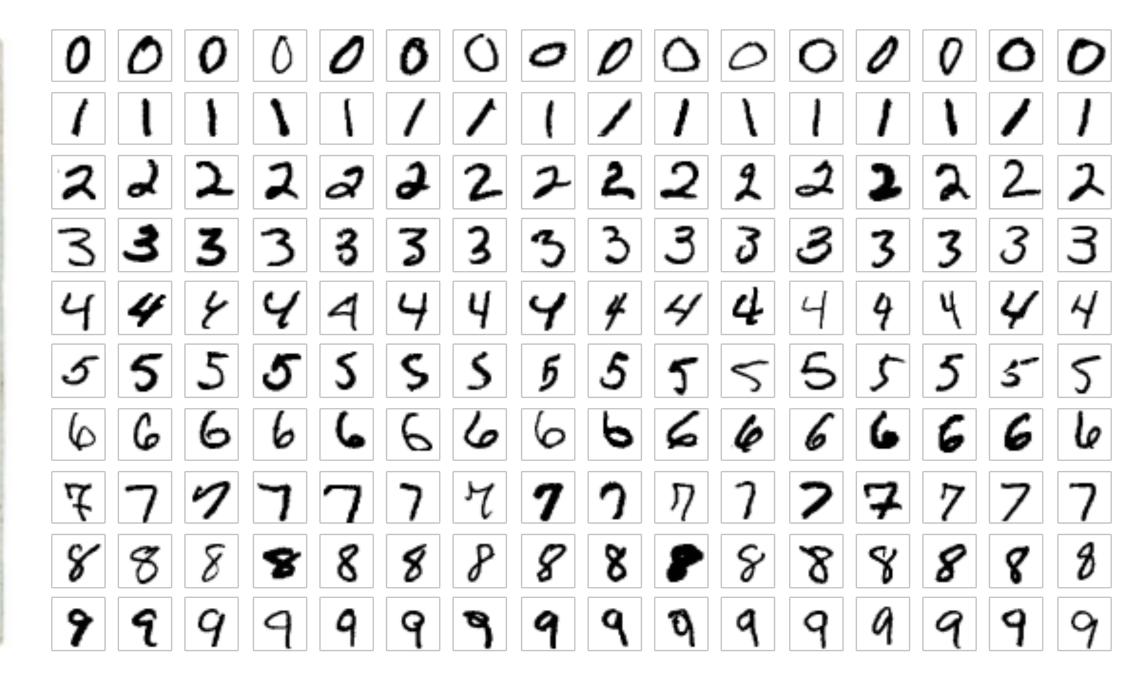


## SUCCESS STORIES OF AI

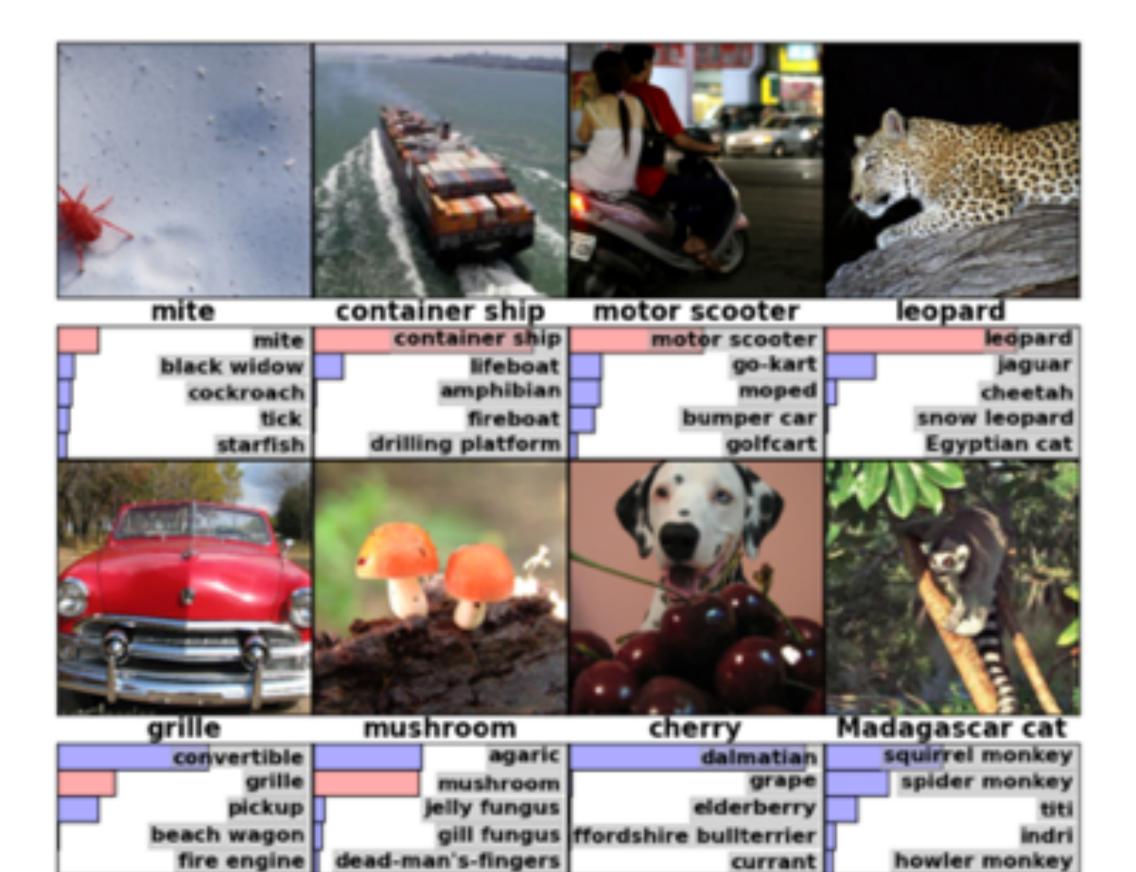
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### **OBJECT RECOGNITION & DETECTION**



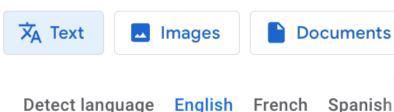
Krizhevsky et al. (2012)



He et al. (2017)

## MACHINE TRANSLATION

#### Google Translate



Machine learning (ML) is a field of study in artificial intelligence concerned with the development and study of statistical algorithms that can learn from data and generalize to unseen data and thus perform tasks without explicit instructions.[1] Recently, artificial neural networks have been able to surpass many previous approaches in performance.[2]

ML finds application in many fields, including natural language processing, computer vision, speech recognition, email filtering, agriculture, and medicine.[3][4] When applied to business problems, it is known under the name predictive analytics. Although not all machine learning is statistically based, computational statistics is an important source of the field's methods.

The mathematical foundations of ML are provided by mathematical optimization (mathematical programming) methods. Data mining is a related (parallel) field of study, focusing on exploratory data analysis (EDA) through unsupervised learning.[6][7]



(1954)

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L'apprentissage automatique (ML) est un domaine d'étude de l'intelligence artificielle qui s'intéresse au développement et à l'étude d'algorithmes statistiques capables d'apprendre à partir de données et de généraliser à des données invisibles et ainsi d'effectuer des tâches sans instructions explicites.[1] Récemment, les réseaux neuronaux artificiels ont pu surpasser de nombreuses approches précédentes en termes de performances.[2]

Le ML trouve des applications dans de nombreux domaines, notamment le traitement du langage naturel, la vision par ordinateur, la reconnaissance vocale, le filtrage des e-mails, l'agriculture et la médecine.[3][4] Lorsqu'il est appliqué à des problèmes commerciaux, il est connu sous le nom d'analyse prédictive. Bien que l'apprentissage automatique ne soit pas entièrement basé sur des statistiques, les statistiques informatiques constituent une source importante des méthodes du domaine.

Les fondements mathématiques du ML sont fournis par des méthodes d'optimisation mathématique (programmation mathématique). L'exploration de données est un domaine d'étude connexe (parallèle), axé sur l'analyse exploratoire des données (EDA) par le biais d'un apprentissage non supervisé.[6][7]

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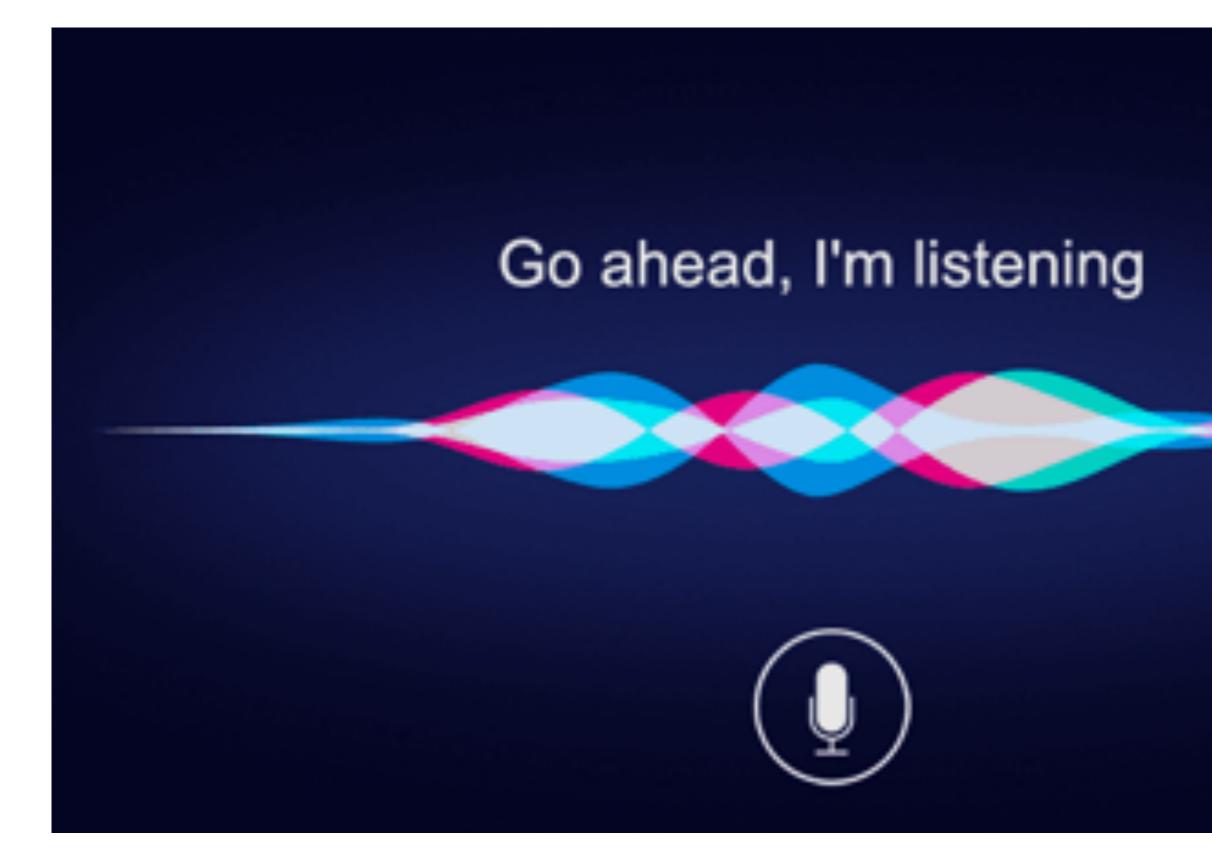
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### **SPEECH RECOGNITION & SYNTHESIS**



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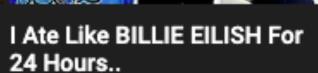
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## IBM DEEP BLUE (CHESS)



#### The 1997 "Rematch" between Garry Kasparov & IBM Deep Blue.



## AlphaGo & AlphaStar



Go (2016)



#### Starcraft II (2019)

# LIBRATUS (POKER)



Libratus, the poker AI (2017)

Name	Rank	Results (in chips)
Dong Kim	1	-\$85,649
Daniel MacAulay	2	-\$277,657
Jimmy Chou	3	-\$522,857
Jason Les	4	-\$880,087
Total:		-\$1,766,250

Results of 4 human players against Libratus after 20 days of competition

#### THE EXPLOSION OF GENERATIVE AI: CHATGPT, MIDJOURNEY, COPILOT, SORA, ...

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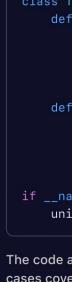
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łub Copilot	<ul> <li>4 """Parse the list of expenses and return the list of triples (date, amount, currer</li> <li>5 Ignore lines starting with #.</li> <li>6 Parse the date using datetime.</li> </ul>
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	16 continue
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### WHAT IS MACHINE LEARNING? (HOW MACHINES ACTUALLY "LEARN")

## WHAT IS MACHINE LEARNING?

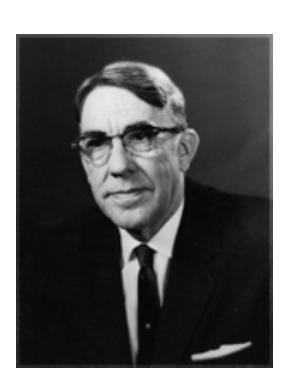
A. L. Samuel

### Some Studies in Machine Learning Using the Game of Checkers

Abstract: Two machine-learning procedures have been investigated in some detail using the game of checkers. Enough work has been done to verify the fact that a computer can be programmed so that it will

learn to play a better game of checkers than can be played by the person who wrote more, it can learn to do this in a remarkably short period of time (8 or 10 hours of when given only the rules of the game, a sense of direction, and a redundant of parameters which are thought to have something to do with the game, but whose con weights are unknown and unspecified. The principles of machine learning verified are, of course, applicable to many other situations.





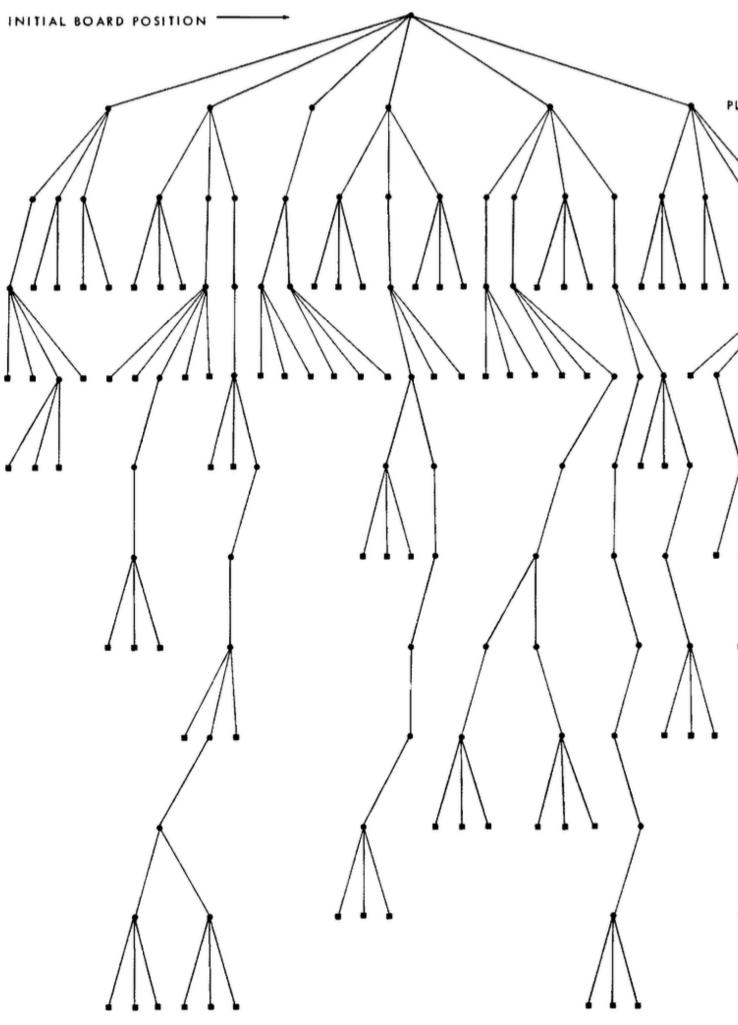
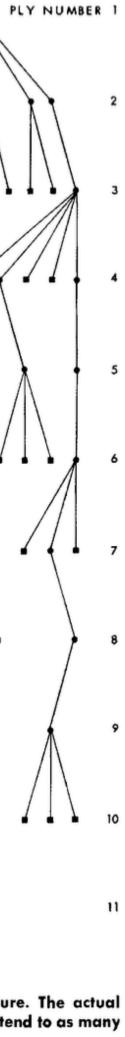


Figure 1 A "tree" of moves which might be investigated during the look-ahead procedure. The actual branchings are much more numerous than those shown, and the "tree" is apt to extend to as many as 20 levels.



### WHAT IS MACHINE LEARNING?

# "Programming computers to learn from experience should eventually eliminate the need for much of this detailed programming effort."

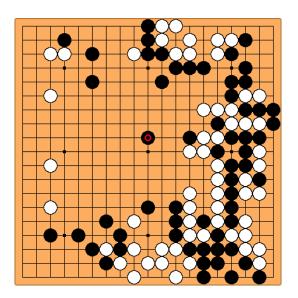
- A. Samuel (1959)

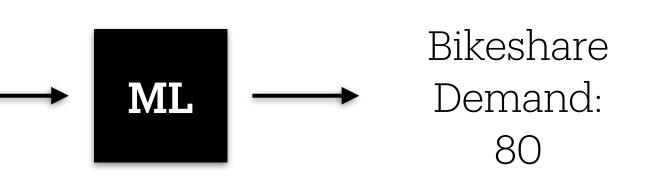


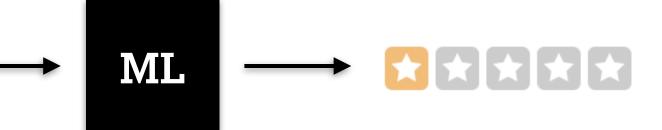
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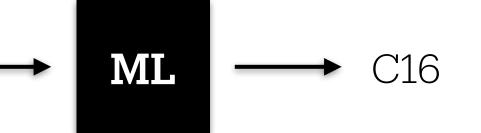
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"Thank you for helping me maintain my weight."









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### HISTORY OF AI = AUTOMATION

#### Artificial Intelligence

Machine Learning

Extracted features + Hand-coded rules

Learned rules

1950s

1980s

### Extracted features +

Representation Learning (Deep Learning)

Learned features + Learned rules

2010s

### A (SLIGHTLY MORE) MODERN DEFINITION

- T. Mitchell (1997)



"A computer program is said to learn [...] if its performance at [given] tasks, as measured by some **performance measure**, improves with experience."

## KEY OBJECTIVES IN ML

#### Generalization

#### Representation

#### • How well can the algorithm process previously unseen examples?

#### • How well can the algorithm capture relevant features of (raw) data?

### **EXAMPLE: SPAM CLASSIFICATION**

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Dear Customer,

Despite our constant reminders, we would like to note that the mentioned debt #69677 for \$910,62 is still overdue for payment.

We would appreciate your cooperation on this case and ask you to make the payment as soon as possible.

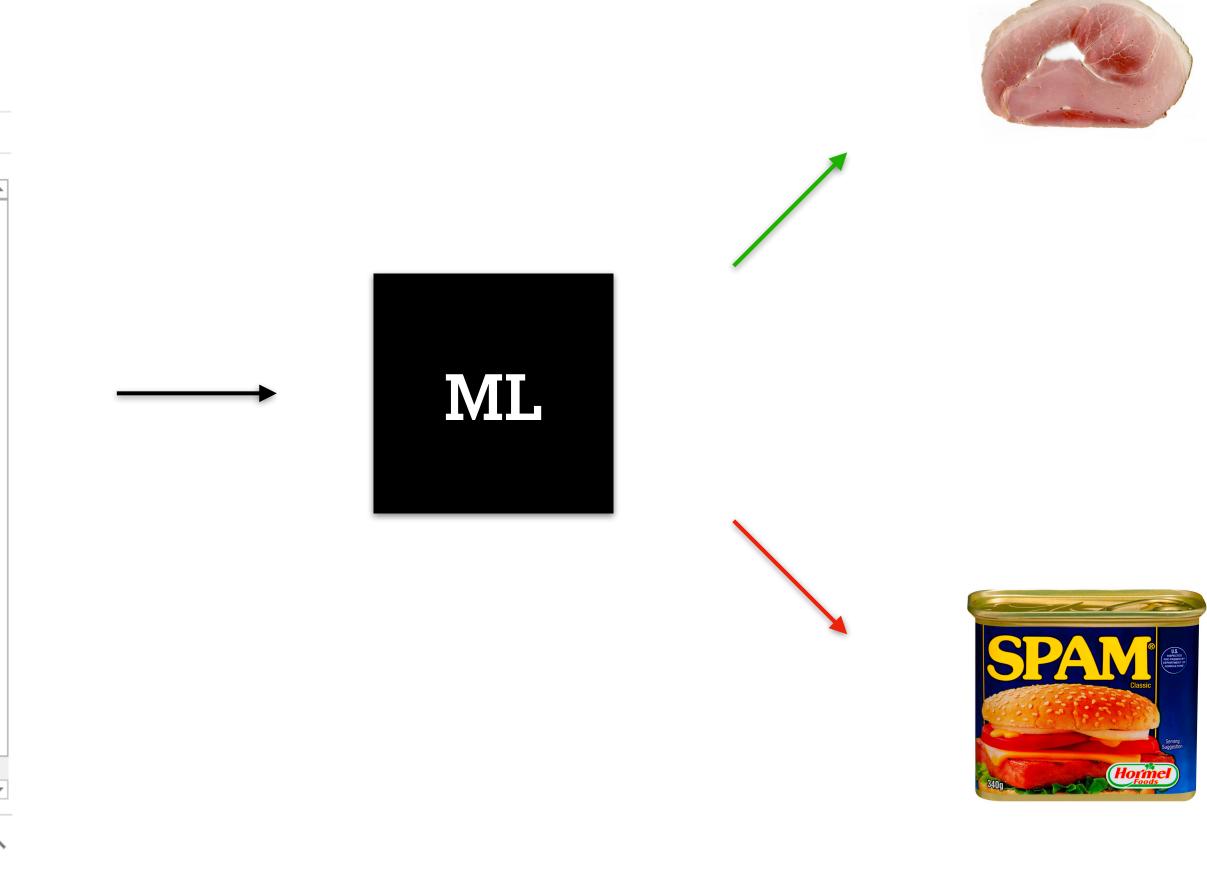
Unless the full payment is received by April 1st, 2016 this case will be transferred to the debt collection agency, will seriously damage your credit rating.

#### Please, find the attachment enclosed to the letter below.

We hope on your understanding.

Kind regards, Finance Department Phone nr

No Items



### **REPRESENTING EMAILS**

- Examples of features in an email:
  - Number of words
  - Term frequencies
  - The domain of sender's email address
  - Whether the text contains keywords: "debt", price ("\$3.99"), special characters, all caps, ...
  - **Automatically learned** features for the task

ID	# Words	Domain
0	120	<u>gmail.com</u>
1	500	<u>gmail.com</u>
2	400	<u>cmu.edu</u>
З	1200	<u>suspicio.us</u>

\$	"debt"	"FREE"	Label
Yes	Yes	Yes	Spam
No	No	No	Ham
Yes	Yes	No	Ham
Yes	No	Yes	Spam

- 1. Define a **loss function** (the "performance measure").
  - 0-1 Loss: 1 if incorrect. 0 otherwise.
- 2. Define a **model** between features ("input") and the label ("output").
  - The model often has parameters that can be learned, e.g.:
- 3. Make a prediction, and **update** your model according to the loss.

• Odds(Spam/Ham) = exp[ $w_1 \cdot (\#Words) + w_2 \cdot (KnownDomain) + w_3 \cdot ('FREE')]$ 



• Initial Guess:

- Loss: 1 (incorrect)
- Feedback ("gradient"): Add 0.001 to w1, 0.5 to w2, 0.5 to w3



#### $Odds(Spam/Ham) = exp[(0.0) \cdot (\#Words) + (-1.0) \cdot (KnownDomain) + (0.0) \cdot ('FREE')] \approx 0.36$

Domain	"FREE"	Label
<u>mail.com</u>	Yes	Spam



• Initial Guess:

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ID	# Words	Domain	"FREE"	Label
0	120	<u>gmail.com</u>	Yes	Spam
1	500	<u>gmail.com</u>	No	Ham

#### $Odds(Spam/Ham) = exp[(0.001) \cdot (#Words) + (-0.5) \cdot (KnownDomain) + (0.5) \cdot ('FREE')] \approx 1.65$

#### • Feedback ("gradient"): Add -0.002 to w1, 0.25 to w2, 0.25 to w3



• Initial Guess:

- Loss: O (correct!)
- Feedback ("gradient"): no change

ID	# Words	Domain	"FREE"	Label
0	120	<u>gmail.com</u>	Yes	Spam
1	500	<u>gmail.com</u>	No	Ham
2	400	<u>cmu.edu</u>	No	Ham

#### $Odds(Spam/Ham) = exp[(-0.001) \cdot (#Words) + (-0.25) \cdot (KnownDomain) + (0.75) \cdot ('FREE')] \approx 0.52$



• Initial Guess:

- Loss: 1 (incorrect)

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0	120	<u>gmail.com</u>	Yes	Spam
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3	1200	<u>suspicio.us</u>	Yes	Spam

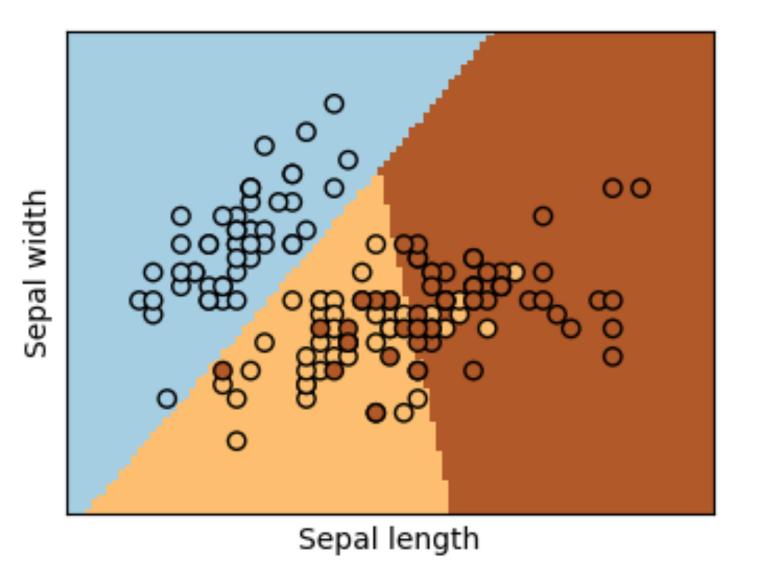
#### $Odds(Spam/Ham) = exp[(-0.001) \cdot (#Words) + (-0.25) \cdot (KnownDomain) + (0.75) \cdot ('FREE')] \approx 0.64$

#### • Feedback ("gradient"): Add 0.0005 to w1, -0.1 to w2, +0.1 to w3

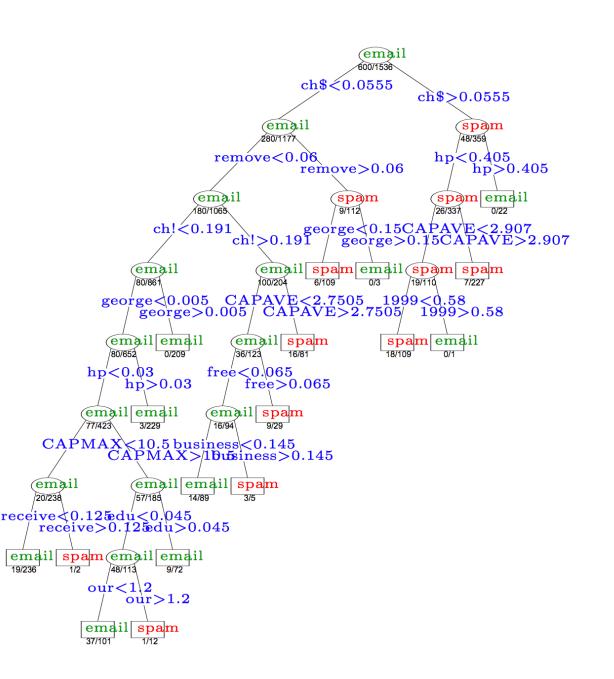


## SUPERVISED ML METHODS

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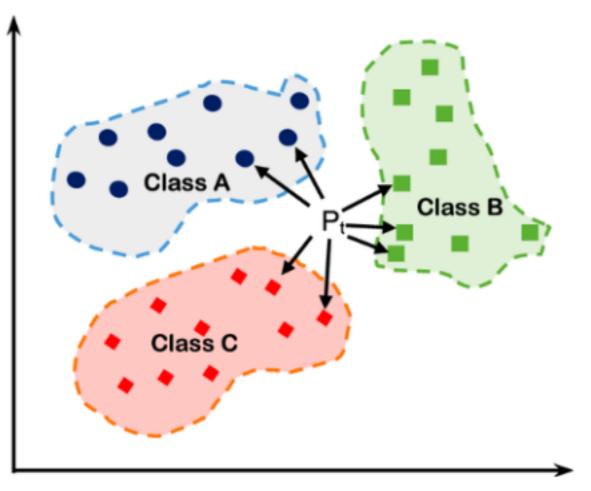


#### **Decision Trees**



#### **Nearest Neighbors**

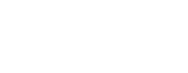
#### **K** Nearest Neighbors



#### (...and many, many more)

# **OTHER TYPES OF ML TASKS** 0

- **Unsupervised Learning:** no labels
- Semi-supervised Learning
- Pre-training & Fine-tuning
- **Reinforcement Learning:** (input, state) -> (action, next\_state)
- Online Learning, Active Learning, Meta-Learning, ...







### CASES WHEN CLASSICAL ML MIGHT BE USEFUL

- "Tabular data" with meaningful hand-crafted features
  - Predicting an individual's credit/loan, political leanings, hiring decisions, etc.
  - Predicting the likelihood of cancer using key health measures
  - Predicting the chance of recidivism using demographic/socioeconomic information
- Small data scenario
  - Medical data analysis / genomics / neuroscience / rare events
- (Arguably) whenever transparency/explanability/interpretability is needed
  - Would you use AI for policing, hiring, loan decisions, etc.?

## WHAT IS DEEP LEARNING?



https://xkcd.com/1425/

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE EASY AND THE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE.

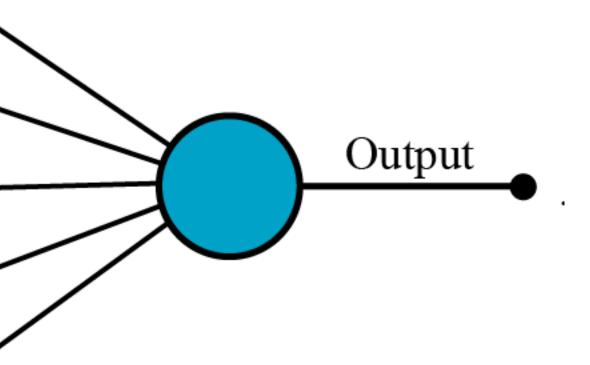
These five years are well past us now! (Roughly, 2012-2017)

## THE PERCEPTRON

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Dear Customer,	$x_2 \cdot w_2$
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Please, find the attachment enclosed to the letter below.	
We hope on your understanding.	$x_A \cdot w_A$
Kind regards, Finance Department	
Phone nr:	$- x_5 \cdot w_5 \bullet$
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(Rosenblatt 1959)

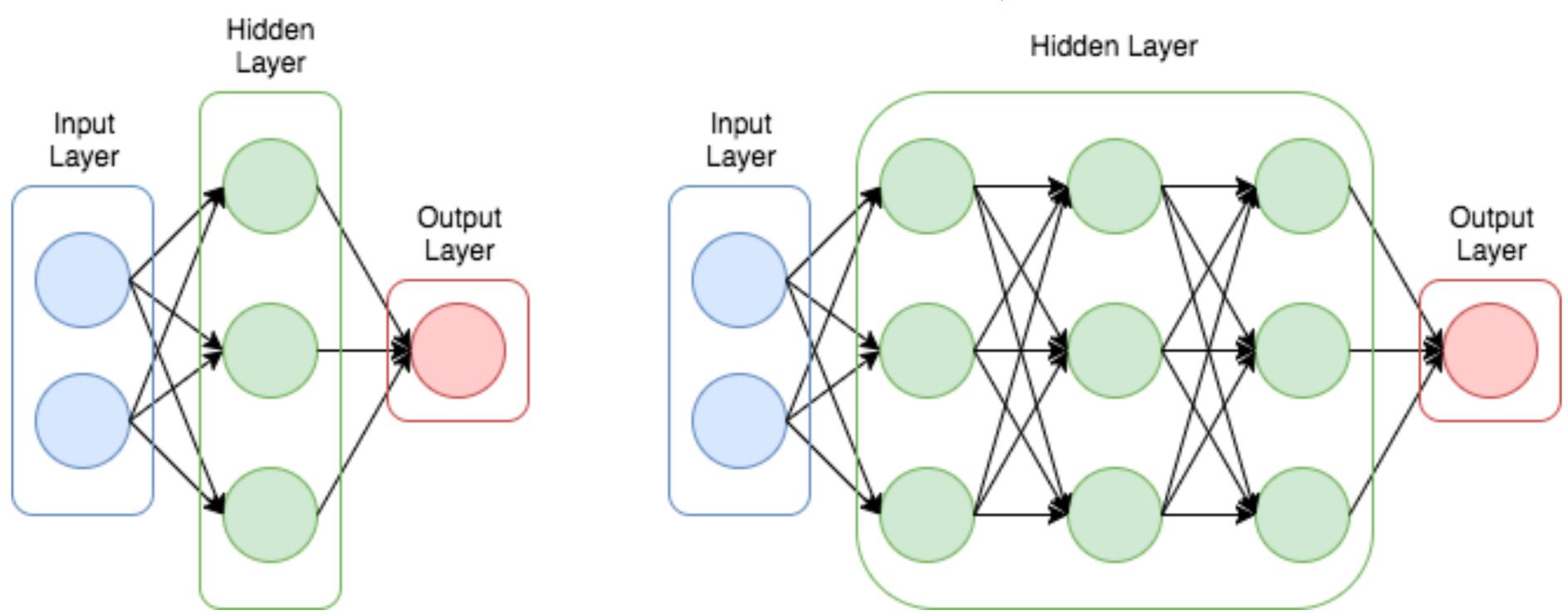






## **ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS**

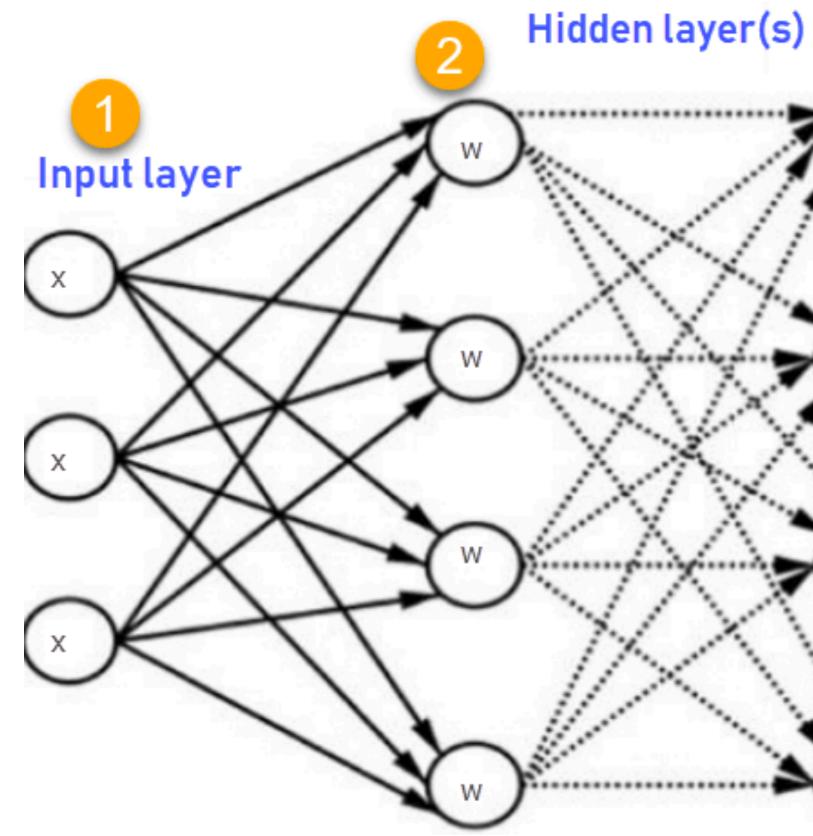
Neural Network



http://marubon-ds.blogspot.com/2017/09/simple-tutorial-to-write-deep-neural.html



## BACKPROPAGATION



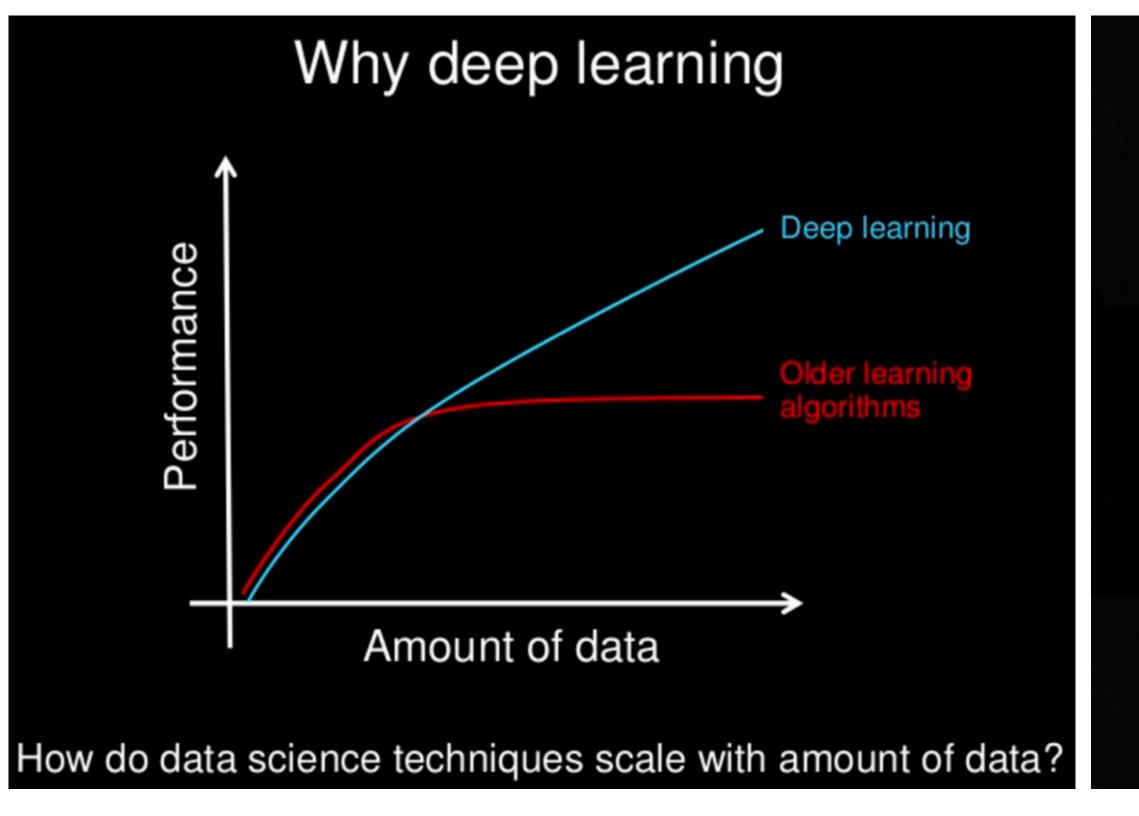
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#### (Rumelhart et al., 1986)

**Output layer Difference** in desired values **Backprop output layer** 

# WHY "DEEP" LEARNING?

#### Deep learning is **data-efficient**.



Andrew Ng's Slides

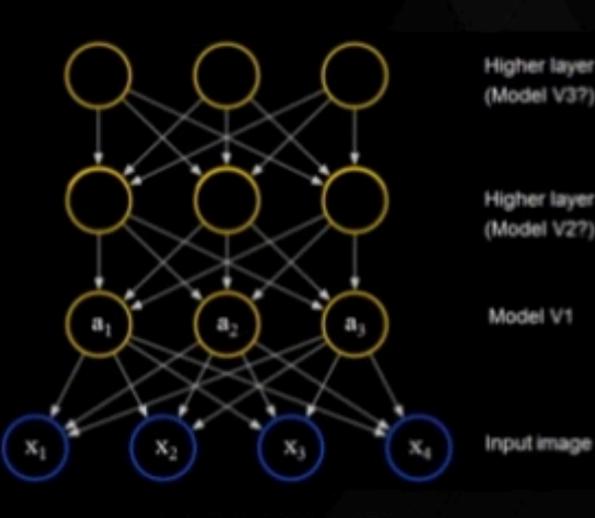
Deep learning is **modular**, and thus it can take advantage of **GPUs** that can efficiently process billions of simple math operations quickly.

### WHY ARE GPUS GOOD FOR DEEP LEARNING?

	Neural Networks	GPUs
Inherently Parallel	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Matrix Operations	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
FLOPS	$\checkmark$	~
Ban dwidth	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$

GPUs deliver --

- same or better prediction accuracy
- faster results
- smaller footprint
- lower power
- lower cost



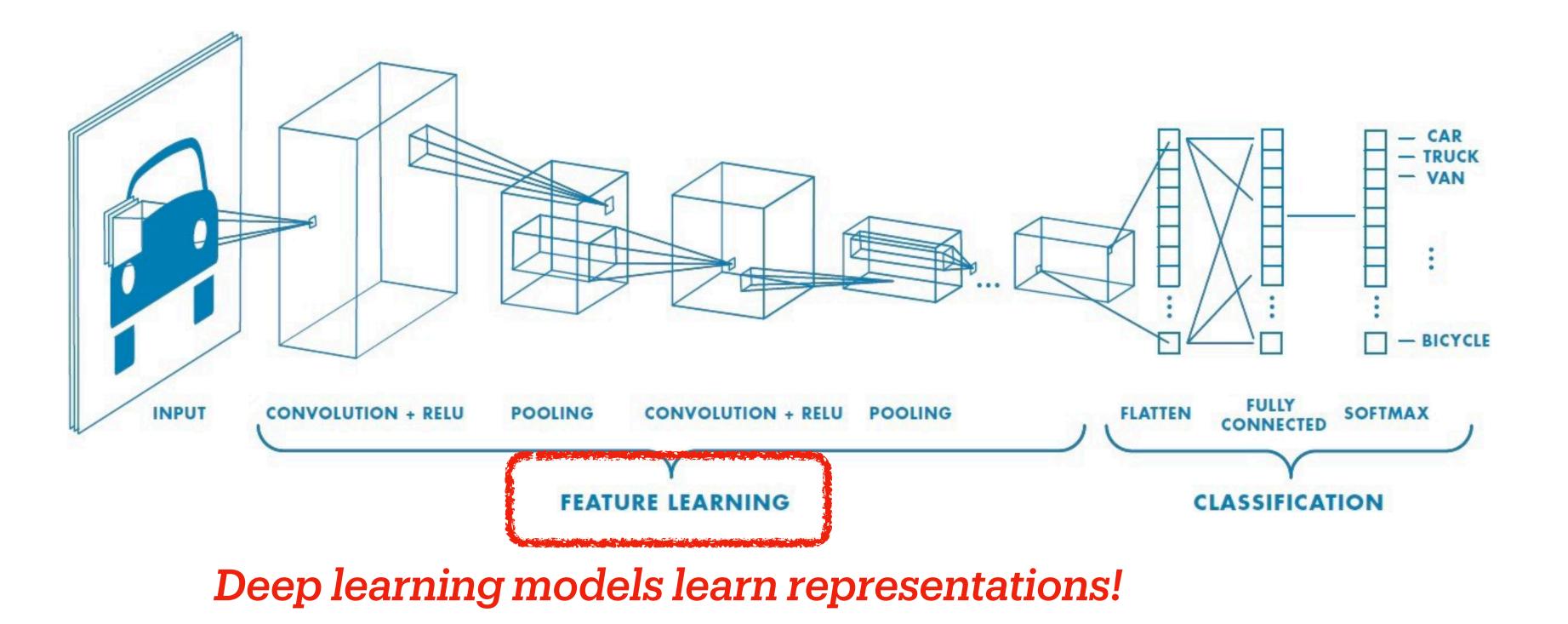
[Lee, Ranganath & Ng, 2007]

#### NVIDIA's Slides



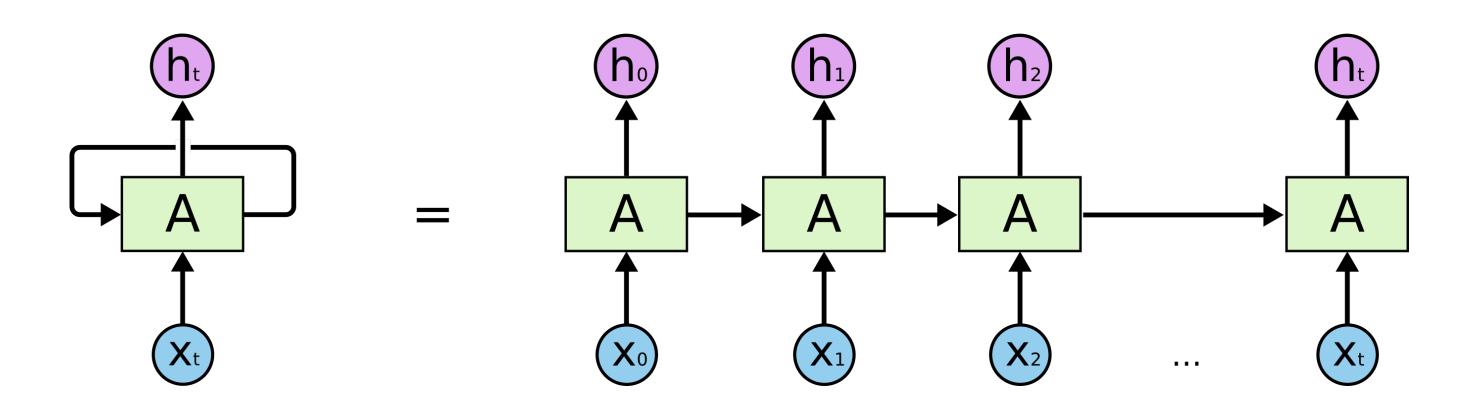


### **CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS (CNNS)**



https://towardsdatascience.com/a-comprehensive-guide-to-convolutional-neural-networks-the-eli5-way-3bd2b1164a53

## **RECURRENT NEURAL NETWORKS (RNNS)**



https://colah.github.io/posts/2015-08-Understanding-LSTMs/

For  $\bigoplus_{n=1,\ldots,m}$  where  $\mathcal{L}_{m_{\bullet}} = 0$ , hence we can find a closed subset  $\mathcal{H}$  in  $\mathcal{H}$  and any sets  $\mathcal{F}$  on X, U is a closed immersion of S, then  $U \to T$  is a separated algebraic space.

*Proof.* Proof of (1). It also start we get

$$S = \operatorname{Spec}(R) = U \times_X U \times_X U$$

and the comparicoly in the fibre product covering we have to prove the lemma generated by  $\prod Z \times_U U \to V$ . Consider the maps M along the set of points  $Sch_{fppf}$  and  $U \to U$  is the fibre category of S in U in Section, ?? and the fact that any U affine, see Morphisms, Lemma ??. Hence we obtain a scheme S and any open subset  $W \subset U$  in Sh(G) such that  $Spec(R') \to S$  is smooth or an

$$U = \bigcup U_i \times_{S_i} U_i$$

which has a nonzero morphism we may assume that  $f_i$  is of finite presentation over S. We claim that  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is a scheme where  $x, x', s'' \in S'$  such that  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x'} \to \mathcal{O}'_{X',x'}$  is separated. By Algebra, Lemma ?? we can define a map of complexes  $GL_{S'}(x'/S'')$ and we win.

To prove study we see that  $\mathcal{F}|_U$  is a covering of  $\mathcal{X}'$ , and  $\mathcal{T}_i$  is an object of  $\mathcal{F}_{X/S}$  for i > 0 and  $\mathcal{F}_p$  exists and let  $\mathcal{F}_i$  be a presheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules on  $\mathcal{C}$  as a  $\mathcal{F}$ -module. In particular  $\mathcal{F} = U/\mathcal{F}$  we have to show that

$$\widetilde{M}^{\bullet} = \mathcal{I}^{\bullet} \otimes_{\operatorname{Spec}(k)} \mathcal{O}_{S,s} - i_X^{-1} \mathcal{F})$$

is a unique morphism of algebraic stacks. Note that

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and

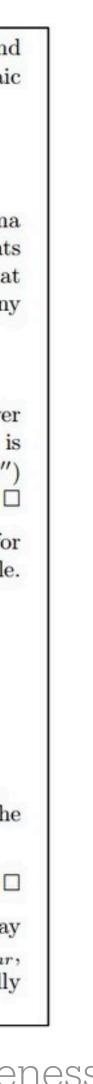
$$V = \Gamma(S, \mathcal{O}) \longmapsto (U, \operatorname{Spec}(A))$$

is an open subset of X. Thus U is affine. This is a continuous map of X is the inverse, the groupoid scheme S.

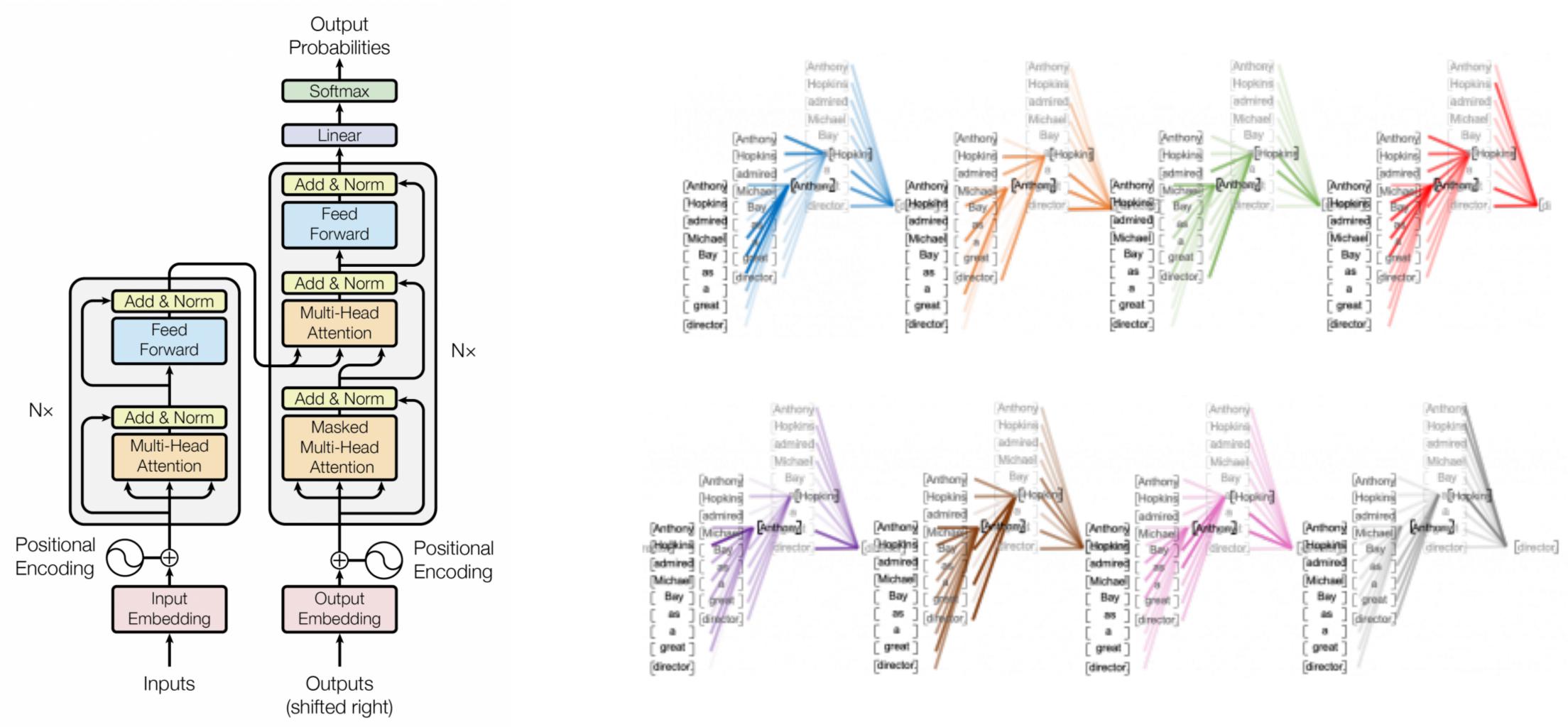
*Proof.* See discussion of sheaves of sets.

The result for prove any open covering follows from the less of Example ??. It may replace S by  $X_{spaces, \acute{e}tale}$  which gives an open subspace of X and T equal to  $S_{Zar}$ , see Descent, Lemma ??. Namely, by Lemma ?? we see that R is geometrically regular over S.

http://karpathy.github.io/2015/05/21/rnn-effectiveness/



## **TRANSFORMERS (SELF-ATTENTION NNS)**



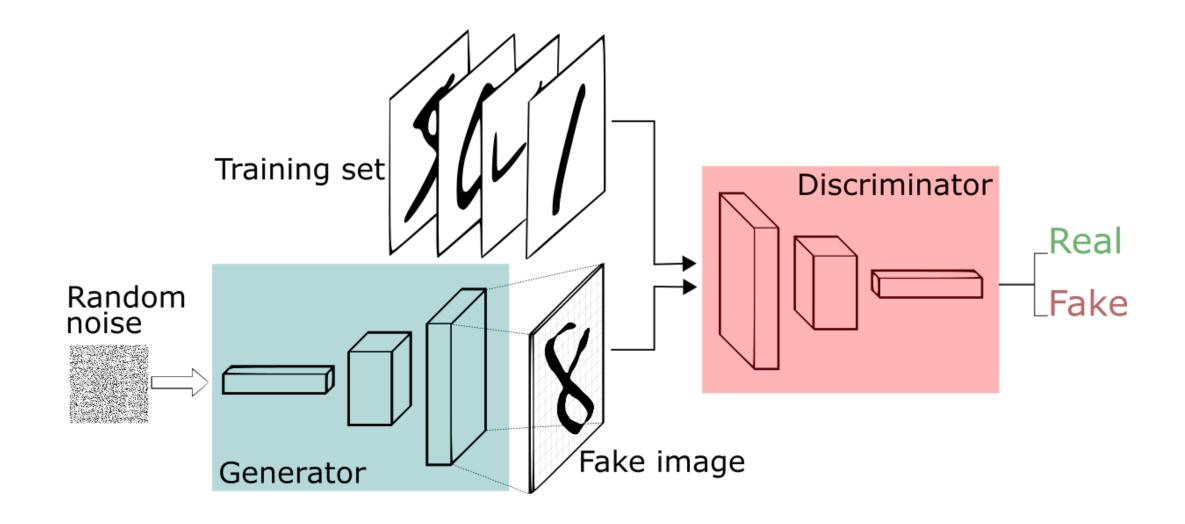
https://data-science-blog.com/blog/2021/04/07/multi-head-attention-mechanism/

Vaswani et al. (2017). "Attention is all you need."



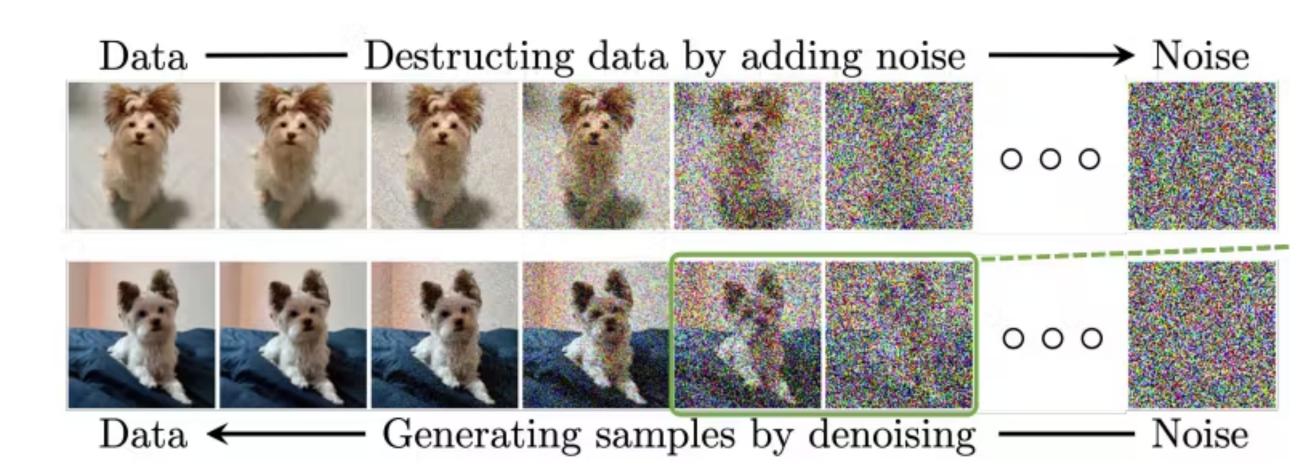
# DEEP GENERATIVE MODELS

#### **Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)**



https://medium.freecodecamp.org/an-intuitive-introductionto-generative-adversarial-networks-gans-7a2264a81394

#### **Diffusion Models**



Yang et al. (2022). "Diffusion Models: A Comprehensive Survey of Methods and Applications"

### DEEP LEARNING VS. CLASSICAL MACHINE LEARNING

"Biologically Inspired"

Useful Representations

Non-Euclidean Features (Image, Text, Speech)

**Deep Learning** 

Extra-Large Data

Many Untold Tricks

Backpropagation

Learning As Optimization

**Graphical Frameworks** 

An "Aggregation" Principle

"Well-Founded"

Interpretable Representations

**Generalization from Data** 

**Tabular Features** 

#### **Machine Learning**

**Small Data** (But Many Features)

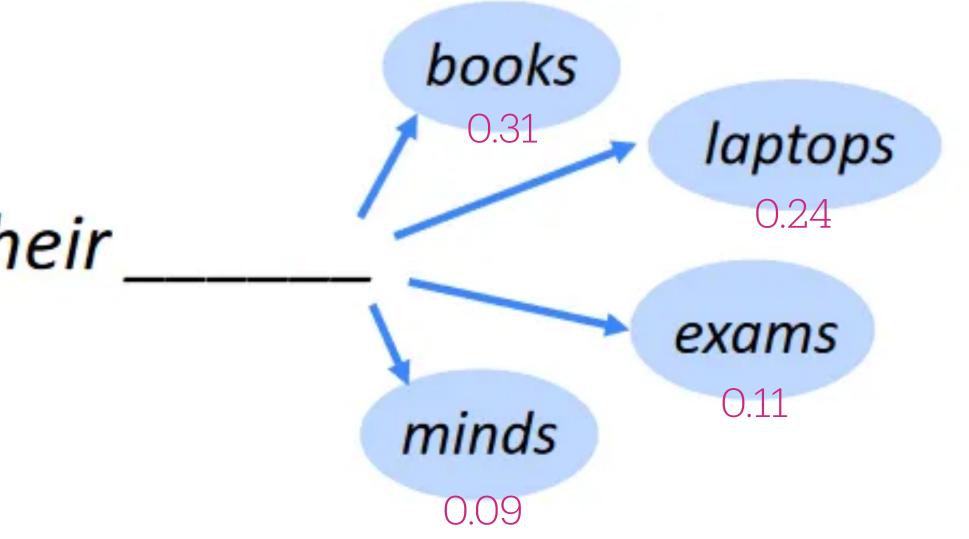
Standardized Implementation

**Many Algorithms** 

# LARGE LANGUAGE MODELS (LLMS)

## LANGUAGE MODELING\*

### the students opened their



### Task: Estimate the probability of the next word given each context

\*More formally, (forward) statistical language modeling



# LM ISN'T JUST A SUPERVISED TASK

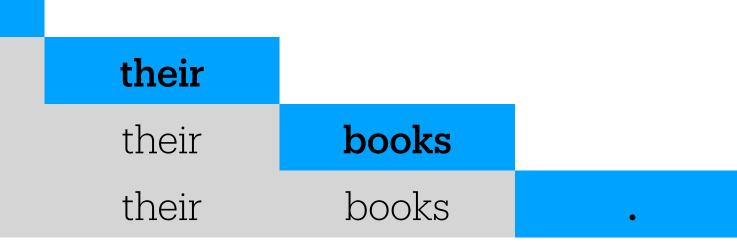
- On the surface, language modeling appears to be a **supervised** task. (Input: context, Output: next word)

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opened	students	The

This one sentence contains 5 examples for the "next word prediction" task.

• But we don't need to manually provide labels (a **self-supervised** task).

• A sentence consisting of N words turns into (essentially) N data points.

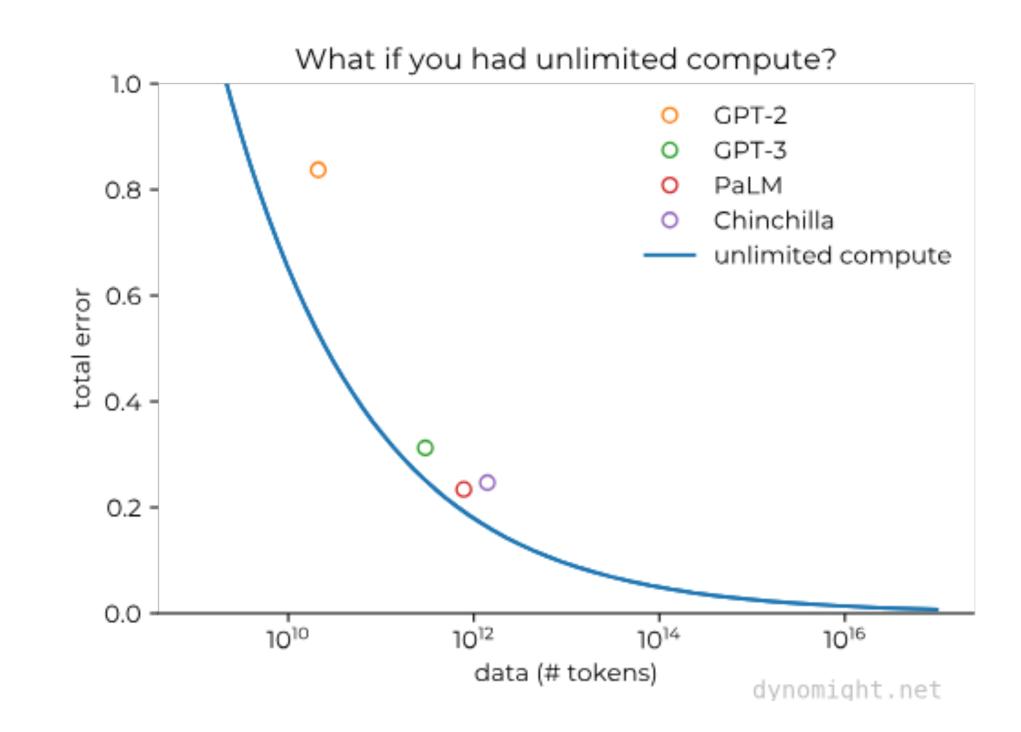


This also depicts the generative process (after training)!



## "LARGE" LANGUAGE MODELING: A RECIPE

- Get a LOT of text-form **data** (trillions of words/symbols).
- Set up a large *Transformer* model (billions of **parameters**).
- 3. Train it on the language modeling task with many, many compute-hours on GPU.

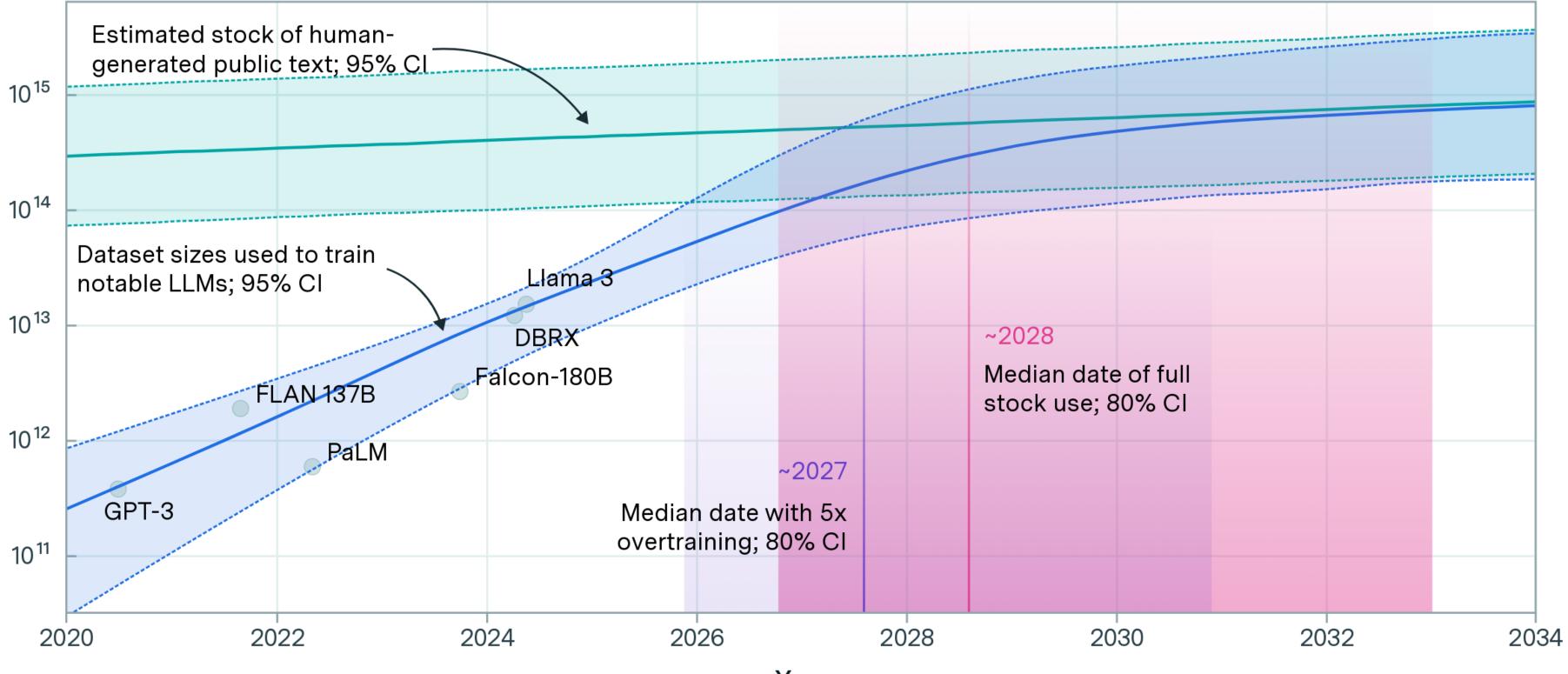


https://dynomight.net/scaling/

### WHERE WE MIGHT BE AT IN TERMS OF DATA

#### Projections of the stock of public text and data usage

#### Effective stock (number of tokens)



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# **ARE LLMS "INTELLIGENT"?**

- Recall, a language model is a **generative** model that can predict entire sequences of words, one-word-at-a-time, via next word prediction.
- *Maybe*, a good chunk of human intelligence **can** be posed as (a sequence of) next word prediction problems:
  - "The first president of the United States was [\_\_\_]."
  - "If I compose two hydrogen atoms with one oxygen atom, I get [\_\_\_]."
- So, is language modeling merely a (self-)supervised learning task, or is it a task of (crudely) modeling human intelligence?

## ALIGNMENT TO HUMAN PREFERENCES (RLHF)

- It turns out that, when you train a model on loads of random text from the Internet, it will learn to say all kinds of things, good and bad.
  - It can be helpful, or it can be sarcastic.
  - It can be polite/nice, or it can be hurtful/harmful.
  - It can make things up when it doesn't "know" the answer.
- An ad hoc strategy: fine-tune LLMs using human preferences.
- **To think about:** Which human values are we aligning to?

A prompt and several model outputs are sampled.

A labeler ranks the outputs from best to worst.

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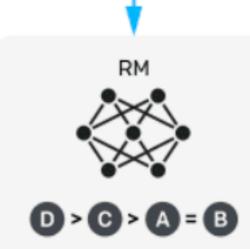
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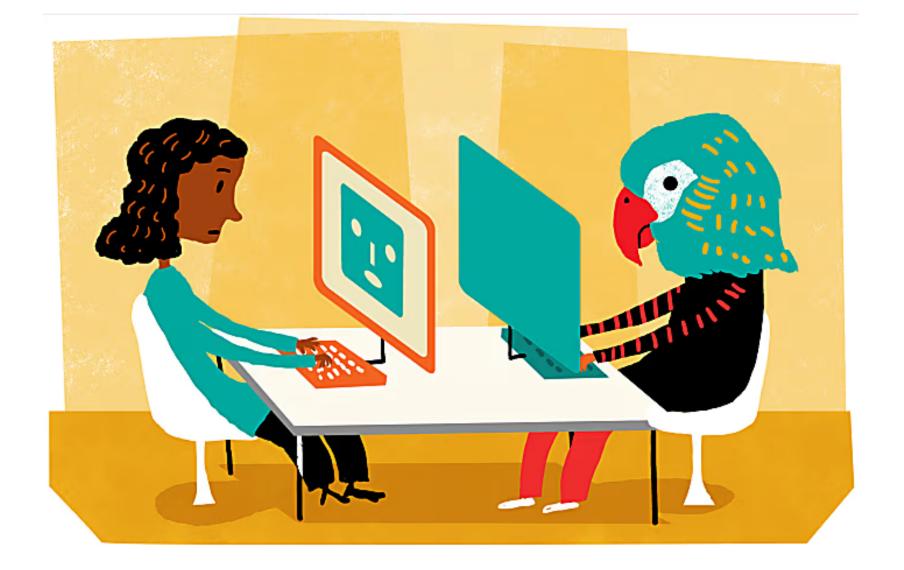
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## SOME (VERY) DIFFERENT VIEWS OF LLMS

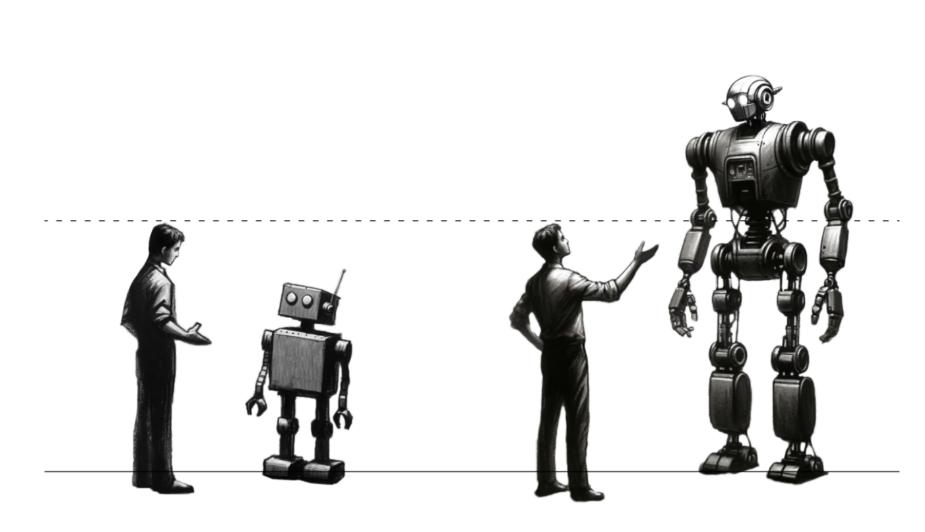




"Stochastic Parrots" (Bender et al., 2021; image from Wall Street Journal)

"Einstein in Your Basement" (Henrik Kniberg, 2024; recreated image from DALL-E) **Traditional ML** 

Superalignment



Supervisor

Student

Supervisor

"Superintelligence" (OpenAI, 2023)

#### Student

## HALUCINATION

What are some papers that discuss feasibility of nuclear fusion?

Research on the feasibility of nuclear fusion has been a topic of significant interest, and there are several key papers and reviews that discuss the challenges, progress, and potential of this technology. Here are some influential papers and sources:

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- 1. "The Physics of Inertial Fusion: BeamPlasma Interaction, Hydrodynamics, Hot Dense Matter" by Stefano Atzeni and Jurgen Meyer-ter-Vehn (2004) This book provides a comprehensive overview of inertial confinement fusion (ICF), discussing the physics involved and the challenges faced in achieving practical fusion energy. It's highly regarded in the field and covers the feasibility of fusion from a technical standpoint.
- 2. "Overview of the ITER Physics Basis" (Nuclear Fusion, 1999) This paper provides an extensive review of the ITER project, which is one of the most significant global efforts toward achieving controlled nuclear fusion. It discusses the scientific and engineering challenges involved in making fusion a feasible energy source.
- "Nuclear Fusion as a Sustainable Energy Source" (Nature Physics, 2014) This article reviews the current state of nuclear fusion research, particularly focusing on magnetic confinement fusion and the development of tokamak reactors. It discusses the progress made and the remaining challenges that need to be addressed.

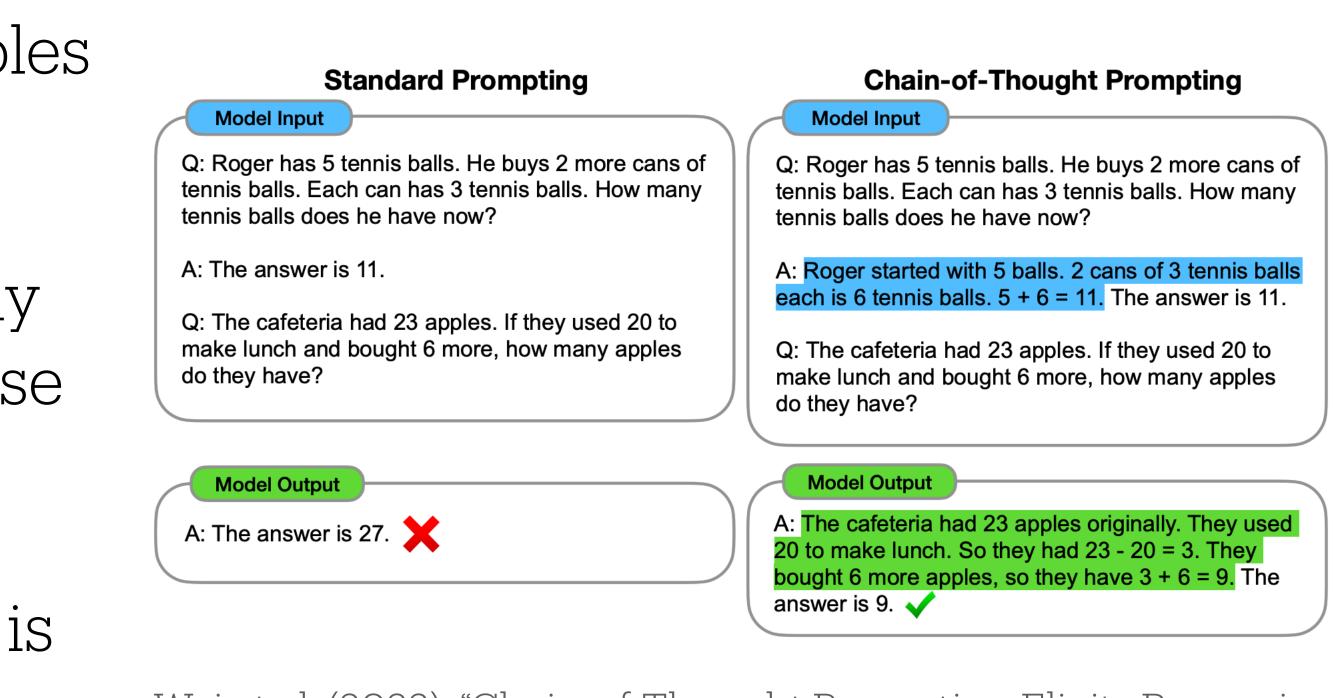
#### ChatGPT-40, 09/2024

- Generally speaking, neural networks are very good pattern matchers.
  - An undertrained LLM may know how to put together what looks like a citation.
  - But then, it may not know what name to put as the next token, so it just predicts the token with the highest probability.
- Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) is the go-to remedy, although it's clearly not perfect.



### FROM PATTERN MATCHERS TO REASONERS?

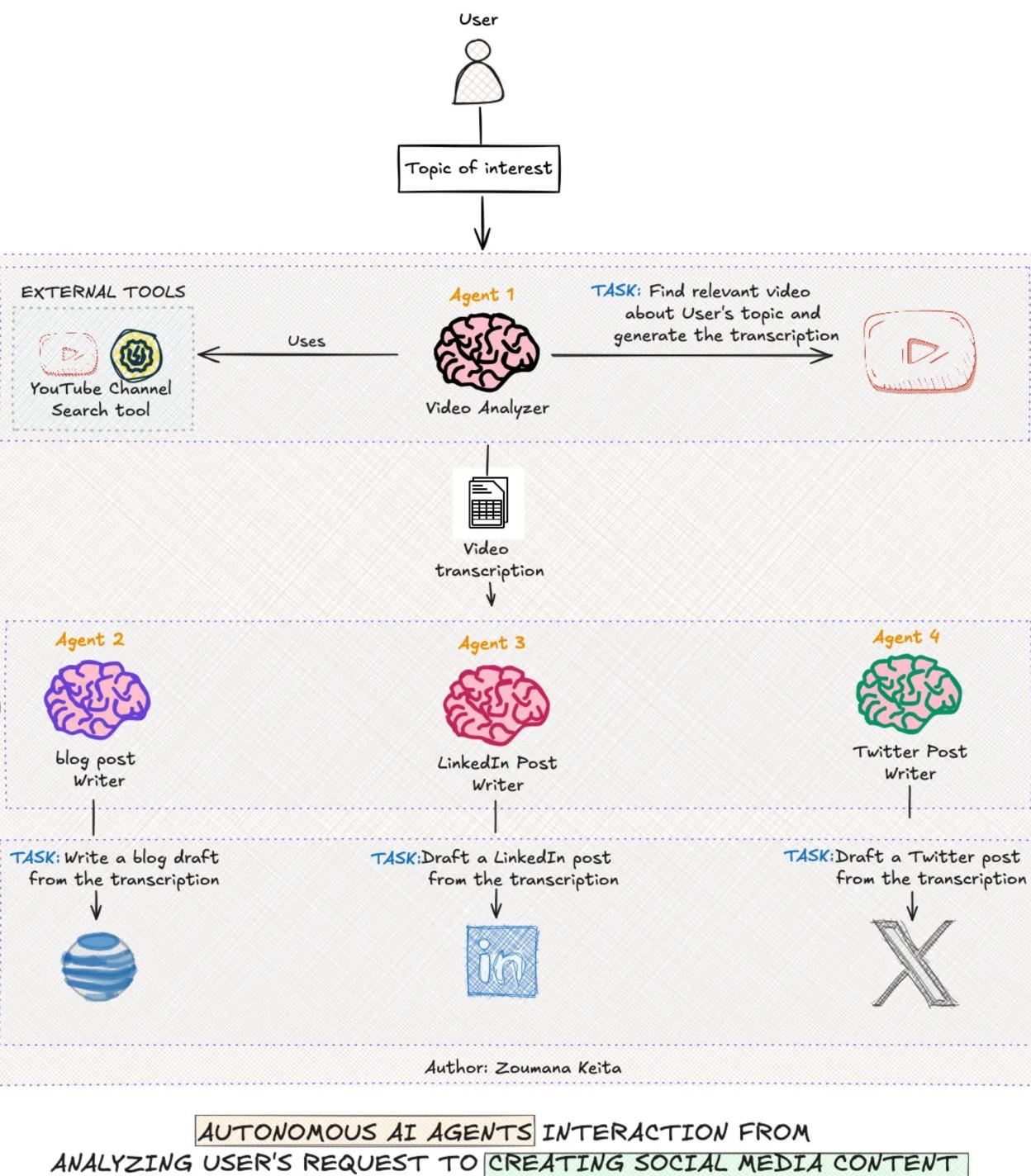
- LLMs generally require lots of examples to learn.
- Yet, humans can often learn from only few examples; this is arguably because we can **reason**.
- Chain-of-Thought (CoT) prompting is an *ad hoc* technique that leads the model toward a correct reasoning path.

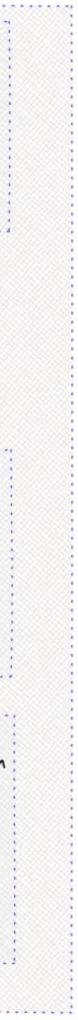


Wei et al. (2022). "Chain-of-Thought Prompting Elicits Reasoning in Large Language Models."

## "AGENTIC" AI

https://towardsdatascience.com/ai-agentsfrom-concepts-to-practical-implementationin-python-fb26789b1560





# WHAT'S NEXT?

- Many, many AI applications: autonomous driving, protein/drug modeling, medical AI, personalized assistants/companions, ...
- Multi-modal learning: videos & sensory data; "World Models"
- Explainability & interpretability
- Long-term decision making
- "AGI" & Superalignment
- Unlimited potential and/or risk?

## TAKEAWAYS

- error.
- of text/image/video/etc.

### • **Machine Learning** finds generalizable patterns from data with trial &

• **Deep Learning** finds useful representations from complex data sources.

• Large Language Models (& other "GenAI" models) leverage massive DL models & computation, allowing them to learn from massive amounts

# **TO THINK ABOUT:**

- (General) Intelligence
- **Understanding** (what does it mean to "know" something?)
- **Alignment** (whose values are we aligning to?)
- Agency/Responsibility/Morality/Honesty/...

# THANK YOU

Any questions?