

Applied Machine Learning

Introduction

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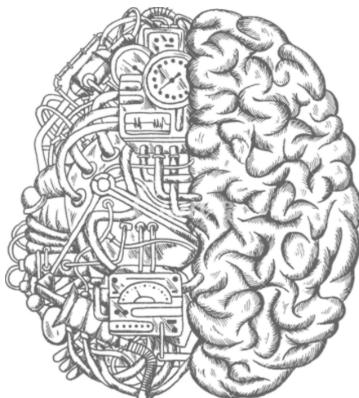
Objectives

- understanding the scope of machine learning
 - relation to other areas
- understanding types of machine learning

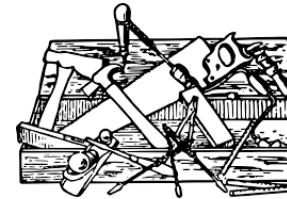
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an inadequate history of ML

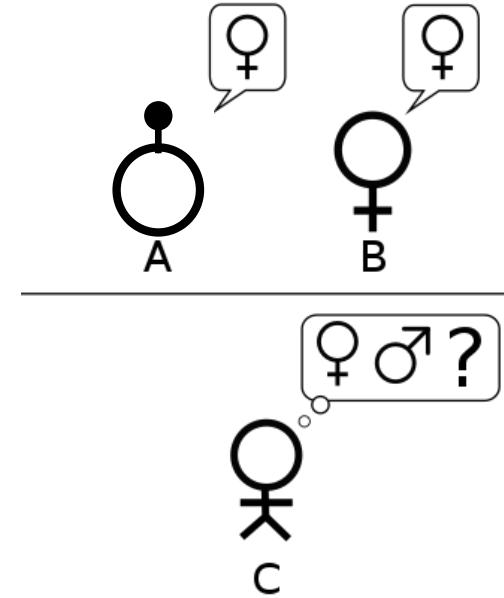


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Imitation game

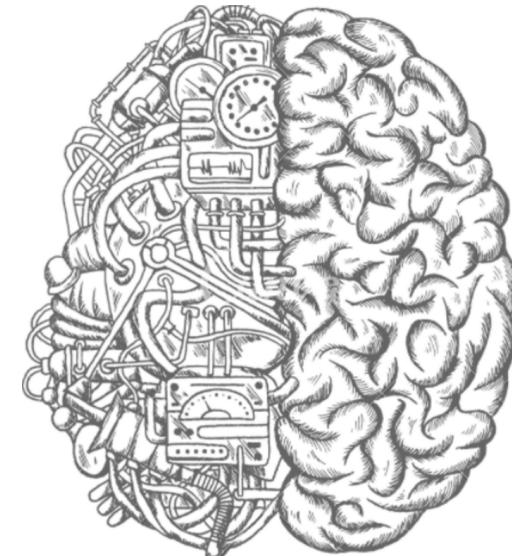
What will happen when a machine takes the part of A in this game? Will the interrogator decide wrongly as often when the game is played like this as he does when the game is played between a man and a woman? These questions replace our original, "**Can machines think?**"



Computing Machinery and Intelligence by Alan Turing (**1950**)

Thinking Machines, the search for Artificial Intelligence (AI)

John McCarthy coined the term Artificial Intelligence and organized the first AI conference in 1955



Checkers

A computer can learn to play a better game of checkers than its programmer

list of parameters that have something to do with the game but whose values are unknown and unspecified



Some Studies in **Machine Learning** Using the Game of Checkers by Arthur Samuel (1959)

" I learned of Strachey's work from a paper he presented in Toronto in September 1952. Because his program was, at that time, already in published form, I must concede defeat. It was not until 1954, with the advent of the IBM 704, that my program was able to play an interesting game. My contribution was to add "learning" to the program, and I believe that I can claim a first for this. Strachey didn't pursue further development of his program.



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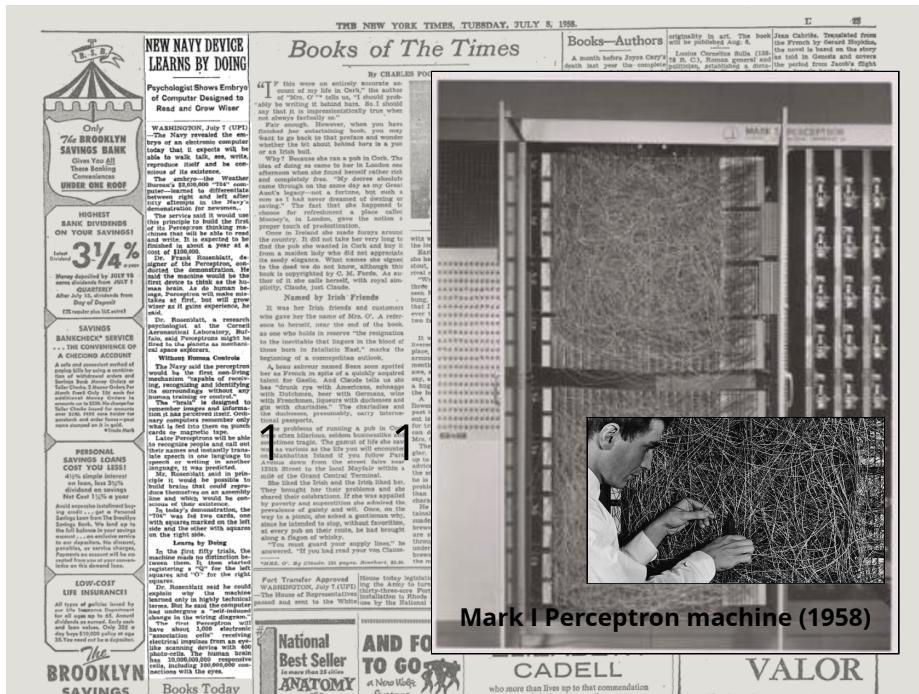
The Perceptron — A Perceiving and Recognizing Automaton

The first device to think as the human brain

Learns by doing

Learned to differentiate between right and left after 50 attempts, registering a Q for the left squares and an O for the right squares

Image Recognition



Mark I Perceptron machine (1958)

How does human think?

Earliest works in the 1930s and 1940 by Donald Hebb, a psychologist at McGill

Studying behaviour in terms of brain function and connections between neuron assemblies

1943: First mathematical model by Warren S. McCulloch, a neuroscientist, and Walter Pitts, a mathematician

"The brain of man, like that of the animals, is made up of many cells of a certain type called neurons. These cells... react on an all-or-none basis ('fire'; ...) and transmit a pulse to other neurons through synaptic connections. Each neuron is connected to many others, and a number of input signals are, in general, required before a neuron will 'fire'. ...Learning seems to consist of alterations in the strength and even perhaps in the number of these synaptic interconnections. Now it is possible to devise a variety of mechanical, chemical, and electrical devices which simulate the behavior of individual neurons in a crude sort of way, and we can interconnect these devices in some random fashion to simulate the synaptic interconnections that exist within the brain, and, finally, we can arrange for the automatic strengthening or weakening of these interconnections using a training routine."

Samuel, A. L. (1962). Artificial intelligence: a frontier of automation. *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 340(1), 10-20.



Multilayer Perceptrons

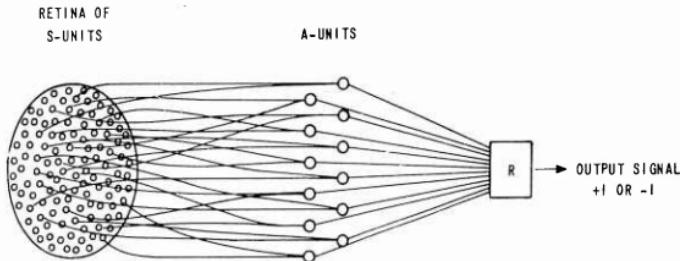
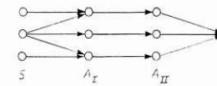


Figure 5 NETWORK ORGANIZATION OF A TYPICAL ELEMENTARY PERCEPTRON

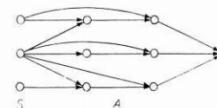
Principles of neurodynamics. Perceptrons and the theory of brain mechanisms by Rosenblatt (1961)

15. MULTI-LAYER PERCEPTRONS WITH FIXED PRETERMINAL NETWORKS

The perceptrons considered in Part II have all consisted of three "layers" of signal generating elements: a sensory layer, a single layer of association units, and a layer of R-units (containing only a single unit in the case of simple perceptrons). A perceptron with additional layers of A-units between S and R-units will be called a multi-layer system. Thus the network diagram:



represents a four-layer series-coupled system, whereas the diagram

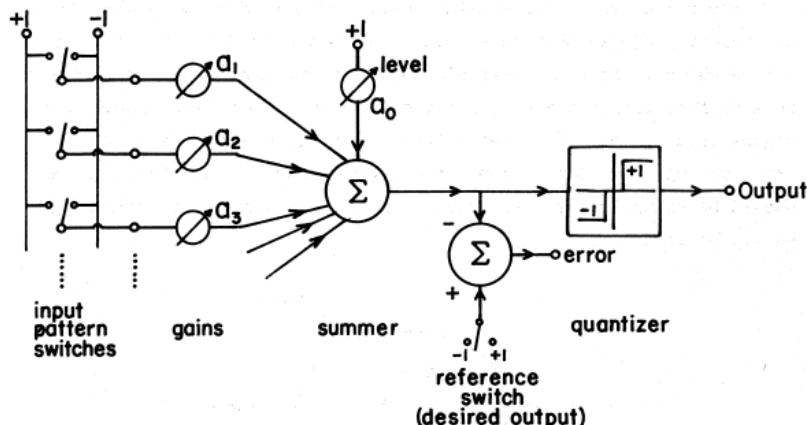


represents a three-layer cross coupled system, since all A-units are at least the same logical distance from the sensory units (see Definition 18, Chapter 4). The three-layer structure of the second diagram can be made clearer if it is drawn in the form:

ADALINE and MADALINE and LMS algorithm

Adaptive Linear Neuron and Many ADALINEs

by Bernard Widrow et al., 1958 and 1960



Letter Recognition

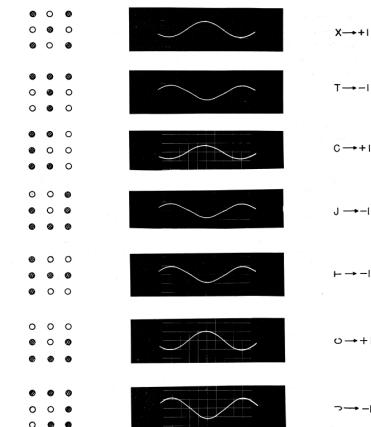


FIG. 12. WAVE-FORMS OF A MEMISTOR NEURON AFTER A TRAINING EXPERIMENT.
60~ sine waves; vertical scale is 0.1 volts/cm

Real World Applications?

Speech Recognition (1963)

29. L.R. Talbert, G.F. Groner, J.S. Koford, R.J. Brown, P.R. Low, and C.H. Mays, *A Real-Time Adaptive Speech-Recognition System*, Technical Report, Stanford University, 1963.

Adaptive Speech-Recognition System. L. R. TALBERT (member), G. F. GRONER (nonmember), AND C. H. MAYS (nonmember), Department of Electrical Engineering, Stanford University, Stanford, California.—This paper describes a real-time speech-recognition system employing adaptive threshold logic elements called "Adalines." Time-normalized digital patterns representing the time-frequency spectrum are obtained from amplitude-normalized outputs of 8 bandpass filters. Adaline networks that perform the speech-recognition are simulated in an IBM-1620 computer.

experiment, the Adalines were trained on 8 samples of 16 phonetically balanced words. After correction of these samples, different samples, spoken by the same speaker, were correctly identified 112 times without error. When tested on new voices of the same sex, the machine achieved an average recognition rate of 90%; however, substantial improvement is realized by including the

the training group. The use of adaptive neural classifiers has achieved enormous system redesign of the classification system can be accomplished by a training process. The system has successfully carried out many speech-recognition tasks, among them recognition of the 10 digits spoken in 4 different languages and identification of different speakers saying the same spoken

Weather Forecasting (1964)

30. M.J.C. Hu, *Application of the Adaline System to Weather Forecasting*, E.E. Degree Thesis, Technical Report 6775-1, Stanford Electron. Labs., Stanford, CA, June 1964.

Modems (1965)

36. R.W. Lucky, "Automatic equalization for digital communication," *Bell Syst. Tech. J.*, **44**, 547–588 (1965).

Telephones (1965)

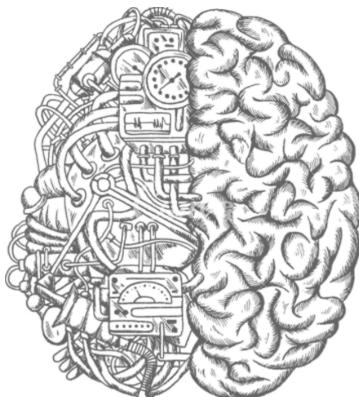
38. M.M. Sondhi, "An adaptive echo canceller," *Bell Syst. Tech. J.*, **46**, 497–511 (1967).

Adaptive neural networks and their applications. International Journal of Intelligent Systems (1993) by Widrow B, Lehr MA.

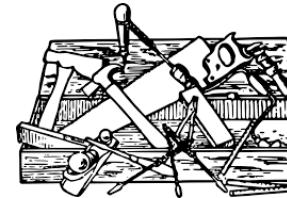
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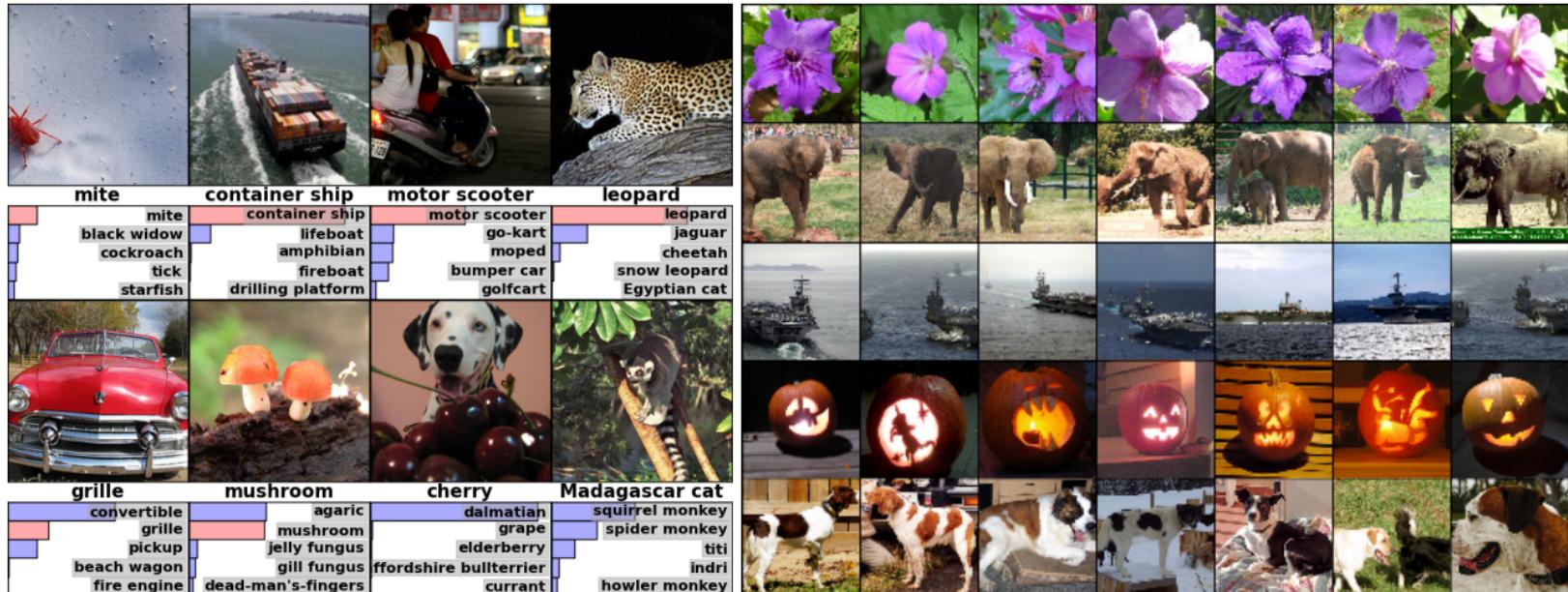
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Deep Blue vs Kasparov 1997



AlexNet 2012



AlphaGo vs Ke Jie 2017

*Google's AlphaGo Defeats Chinese
Go Master in Win for A.I.*

computers
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perform better
than humans in
highly complex
tasks



Ke Jie, the world's top Go player, reacting during his match on Tuesday against AlphaGo, artificial intelligence software developed by a Google affiliate. China Stringer Network, via Reuters

Placing ML: overlapping fields

Artificial Intelligence: broader includes search, planning, multiagent systems, robotics, etc.

Statistics: ML is more focused on algorithmic, practical and powerful models (e.g., neural networks) and is built around AI

Pattern Detection: automatic discovery of regularities in data, basis of ML

Vision & Natural Language Processing: the origin of many advances

Data mining: more emphasis on making algorithms that work in the real world, scalability and performance comes before having strong theoretical foundations, more space for using heuristics, exploratory analysis and unsupervised algorithms

Data science: an umbrella term for the above mostly used in industry when the output is knowledge/information to be used for decision making

Placing ML: main venues

top computer science conferences

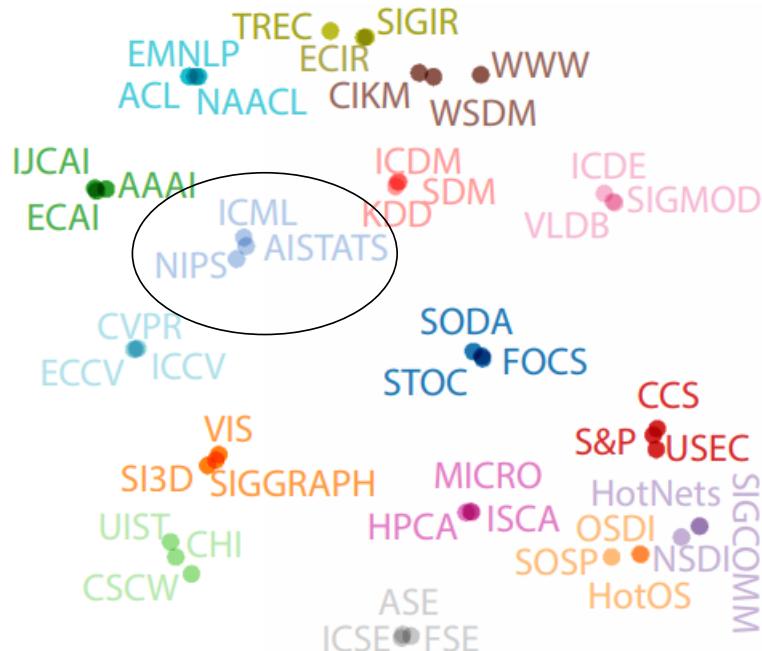
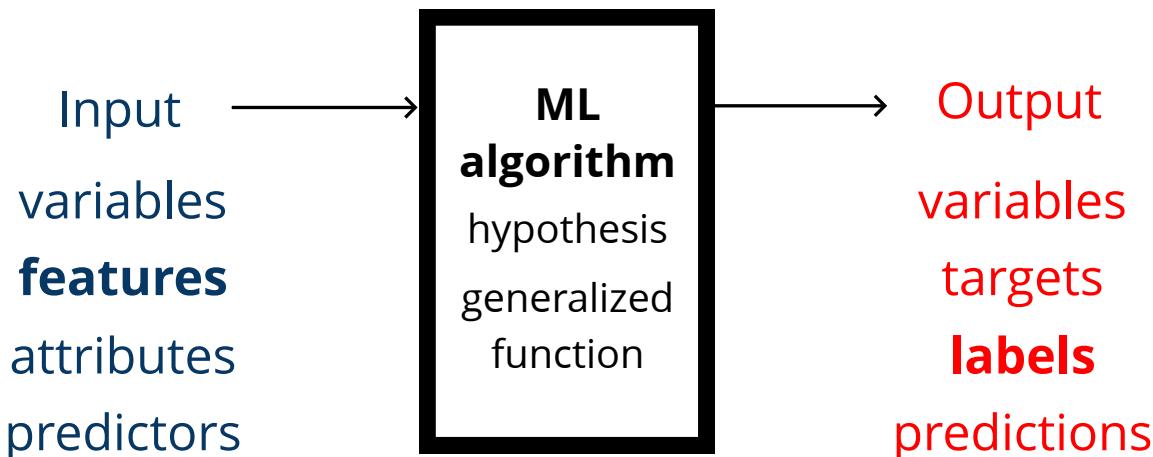


Figure from Dong et al.

Common Terminology



instance: <input, output>

<tumorsize, texture, perimeter> = <18.2, 27.6, 117.5> => cancer = No

Terminology

(Labelled) **Dataset**: many training examples or instances

<tumorsize, texture, perimeter> , <cancer, size change>

<18.2, 27.6, 117.5> , <No, +2>

<17.9, 10.3, 122.8> , <No, -4>

<20.2, 14.3, 111.2> , <Yes, +3>

<15.5, 15.2, 135.5> , <No, 0>

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Terminology

We split the dataset into

Train dataset

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<tumorsize, texture, perimeter> , <cancer, size change>
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used to build the model

Test dataset

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<tumorsize, texture, perimeter> , <cancer, size change>
<12.4,      15.7,      120.1> , <No, +5 >
<15.2,      17.2,      113.3> , <Yes, +1 >
<19.3,      15.9,      125.4> , <No, +2 >
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used to evaluate the model



algorithm shouldn't have access to
this set when being trained

Terminology

Evaluation of performance

Test dataset

Ground-Truth

Input features

True labels

Output labels

<tumorsize, texture, perimeter>
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algorithm shouldn't see the true labels when being evaluated, these are only used to compare against the results to measure performance

"Types" of Machine Learning

Supervised learning

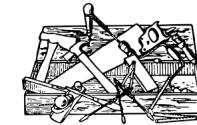
Unsupervised learning

Semi-supervised learning

Reinforcement learning

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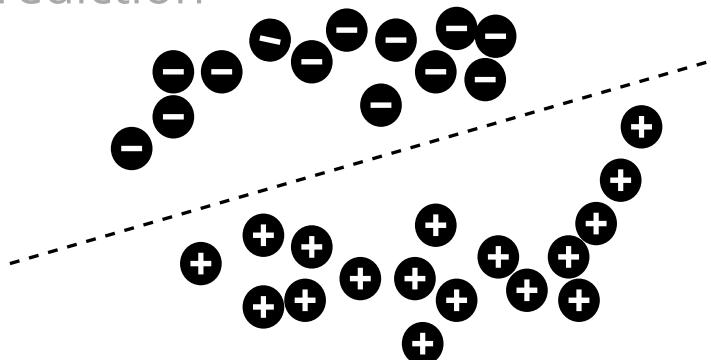


Supervised Learning: we have labeled data

- classification
- regression
- structured prediction

give desired output to the algorithm to learn from it

most of this course!



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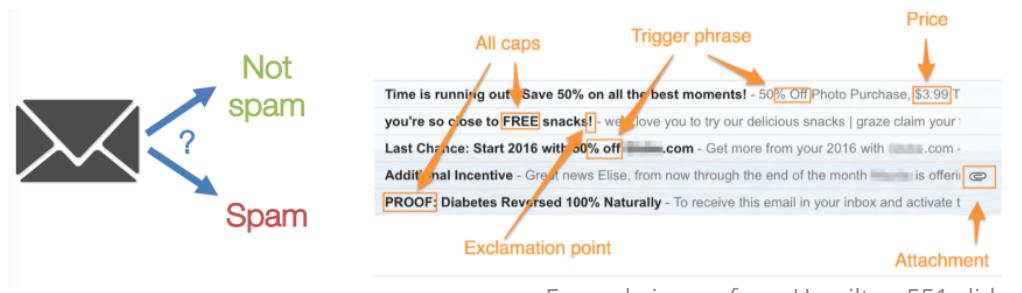
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Classification vs Regression

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	,	< No >
	,	< Yes >
	,	< No >

Classification
categorical output
discrete

<tumorsize, texture, perimeter>	,	<size change>
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Regression
numerical output
continuous

Supervised Learning: Example

MIT
Technology
Review

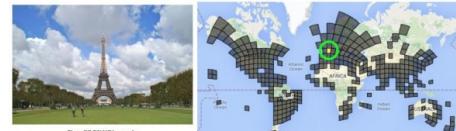
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Intelligent Machines

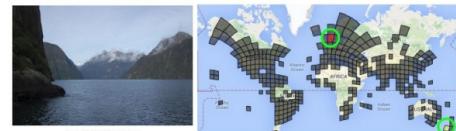
Google Unveils Neural Network with “Superhuman” Ability to Determine the Location of Almost Any Image

Guessing the location of a randomly chosen Street View image is hard, even for well-traveled humans. But Google's latest artificial-intelligence machine manages it with relative ease.

by Emerging Technology from the arXiv February 24, 2016



(a)



trained on a database of geolocated images from the Web

Supervised Learning: Example

DeepL schools other online translators with clever machine learning

Devin Coldewey, Frederic Lardinois / 1:57 pm EDT • August 29, 2017

Comment



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Machine Translation

trained using
bilingual sentences
collected by
Linguee's web
crawler on the
Internet

Supervised Learning: Example

Translate from **French** (detected) ▾

Translate into **English** ▾

EXCELLENCE PERSONNALITÉ DE L'ANNÉE SCIENCES
L'HUMAIN ET LA MACHINE AU TEMPS DE L'IA
SEMAINE DU 23 JUIN
YOSHUA BENGIO

MARIE-CLAUDE LORTIE
LA PRESSE
Il n'y a pas de prix Nobel en informatique.

Mais il y a un prix Turing, nommé en l'honneur d'Alan Turing, mathématicien britannique dont les travaux ont ouvert la voie à l'informatique moderne.

Yoshua Bengio, grand spécialiste de l'intelligence artificielle de l'Université de Montréal, fondateur de Mila, laboratoire de recherche dans ce domaine, d'Element AI, entreprise cherchant à offrir au secteur privé le fruit des travaux universitaires sur ces sujets, est allé chercher son prix Turing en 2019. On le lui a accordé conjointement avec le chercheur torontois Geoffrey Hinton et le Français Yann Le Cun, tous pionniers dans la recherche sur l'apprentissage profond.

Qu'est-ce que l'apprentissage profond ? Le deep learning, en anglais ? C'est la nouvelle frontière de l'analyse informatique de données, où l'ordinateur va plus loin que simplement appliquer les modèles qu'on lui donne - ce qui limite notamment la quantité de données qu'on peut lui demander de trier -, mais effectue des apprentissages par lui-même. Comme si on avait réussi à transmettre de l'intuition aux machines, ce qui leur permet de se débrouiller avec des quantités beaucoup plus grandes d'informations qu'avant, d'aller plus loin dans leurs analyses de données.

EXCELLENCE PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR SCIENCE
THE HUMAN AND THE MACHINE AT THE TIME OF IA
WEEK OF JUNE 23RD
YOSHUA BENGIO

MARIE-CLAUDE LORTIE
THE PRESS
There are no Nobel Prize winners in computer science.

But there is a Turing Prize, named after Alan Turing, a British mathematician whose work paved the way for modern computing.

Yoshua Bengio, a great specialist in artificial intelligence at the Université de Montréal, founder of Mila, a research laboratory in this field, and founder of Element AI, a company that seeks to offer the private sector the fruits of academic work on these subjects, went for his Turing prize in 2019. He was awarded it jointly with Toronto researcher Geoffrey Hinton and Frenchman Yann Le Cun, all pioneers in research on deep learning.

What is deep learning? Deep learning, in English? It's the new frontier of computer data analysis, where the computer goes beyond simply applying the models it is given - which limits the amount of data it can be asked to sort - but performs learning on its own. It's as if we've managed to pass on intuition to the machines, allowing them to cope with much greater amounts of information than before, to go further in their data analysis.

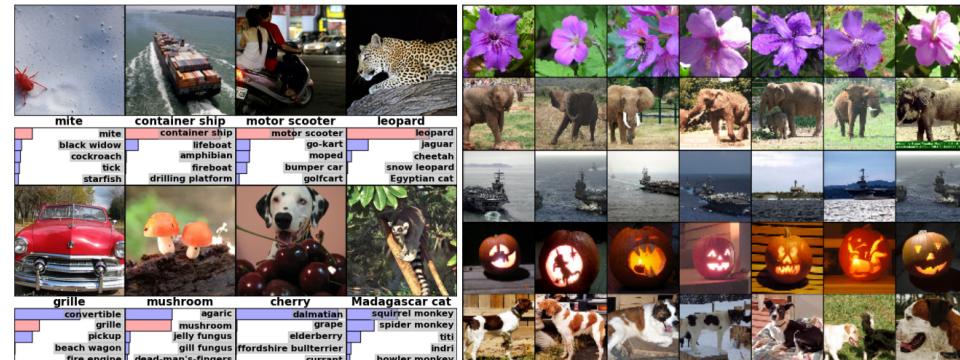
Large Labelled Datasets

Supervised methods are powered by large datasets often crawled from the web or curated with crowdsourcing, e.g.

ImageNet => AlexNet

bilingual sentences collected by Linguee's web **crawler** on the Internet

a database of geolocated images from the **Web**



Supervised Learning: Example Dataset

What is COCO?



COCO is a large-scale object detection, segmentation, and captioning dataset. COCO has several features:

- ✓ Object segmentation
- ✓ Recognition in context
- ✓ Superpixel stuff segmentation
- ✓ 330K images (>200K labeled)
- ✓ 1.5 million object instances
- ✓ 80 object categories
- ✓ 91 stuff categories
- ✓ 5 captions per image
- ✓ 250,000 people with keypoints

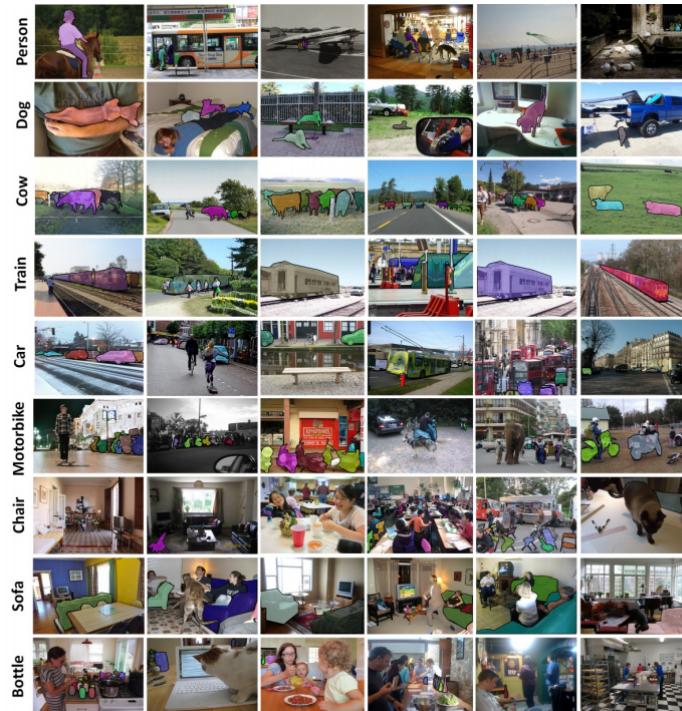


Fig. 6: Samples of annotated images in the MS COCO dataset.

Object Recognition

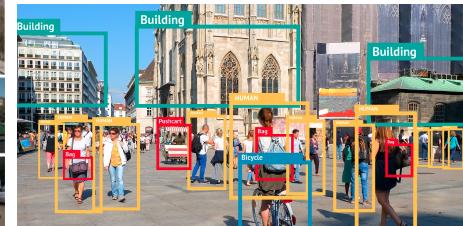


image: <https://bitmovin.com/object-detection/>

Supervised Learning: Example

Image Captioning

A person riding a motorcycle on a dirt road.



Two dogs play in the grass.



A skateboarder does a trick on a ramp.



A dog is jumping to catch a frisbee.



A group of young people playing a game of frisbee.



Two hockey players are fighting over the puck.



A little girl in a pink hat is blowing bubbles.



A refrigerator filled with lots of food and drinks.



A herd of elephants walking across a dry grass field.



A close up of a cat laying on a couch.



A red motorcycle parked on the side of the road.



A yellow school bus parked in a parking lot.



Describes without errors

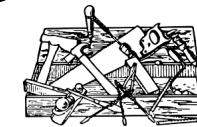
Describes with minor errors

Somewhat related to the image

Unrelated to the image

from:
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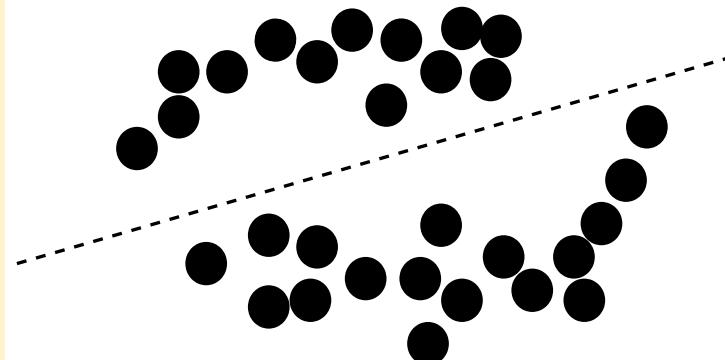
"Types" of Machine Learning



Unsupervised Learning: only unlabeled data

- clustering
 - dimensionality reduction
 - density estimation / generative modeling
 - anomaly detection
 - discovering latent factors and structures
- |
- helps explore and understand the data
 - closer to data mining
 - we have much more unlabeled data
 - more open challenges

The algorithm
doesn't see the
desired outputs,
mines the
patterns in the
input data



Unsupervised Learning

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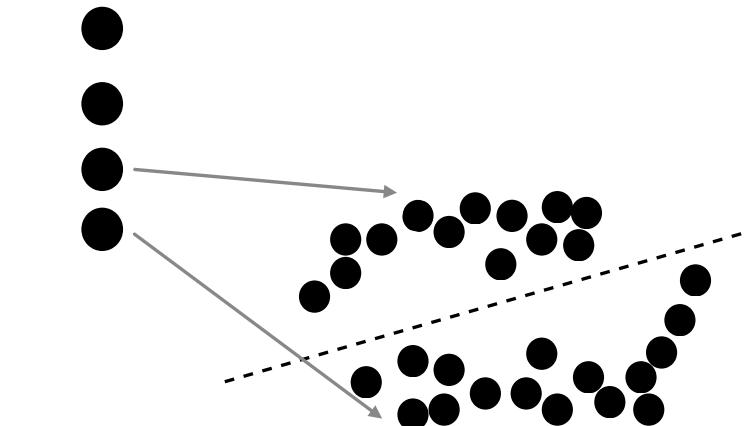
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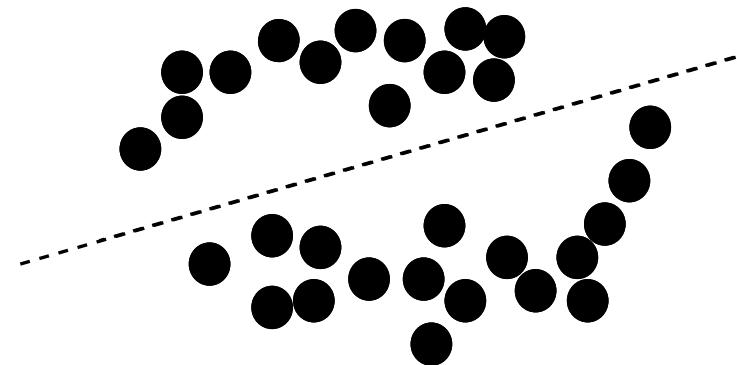
there seems to be two types of tumors,
largers and rough vs smaller and smooth



Clustering

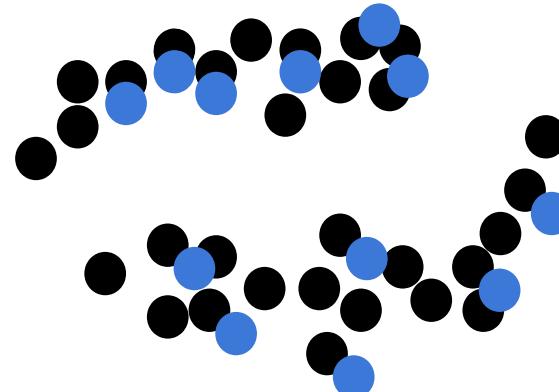
Similar to classification but labels/classes should be inferred and are not given to the algorithm

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Generative Modelling

Models the distribution of the data and learns to generate the data instead of directly categorizing/discriminating the instances into different classes



Unsupervised Learning: Example



TECH ▾ ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

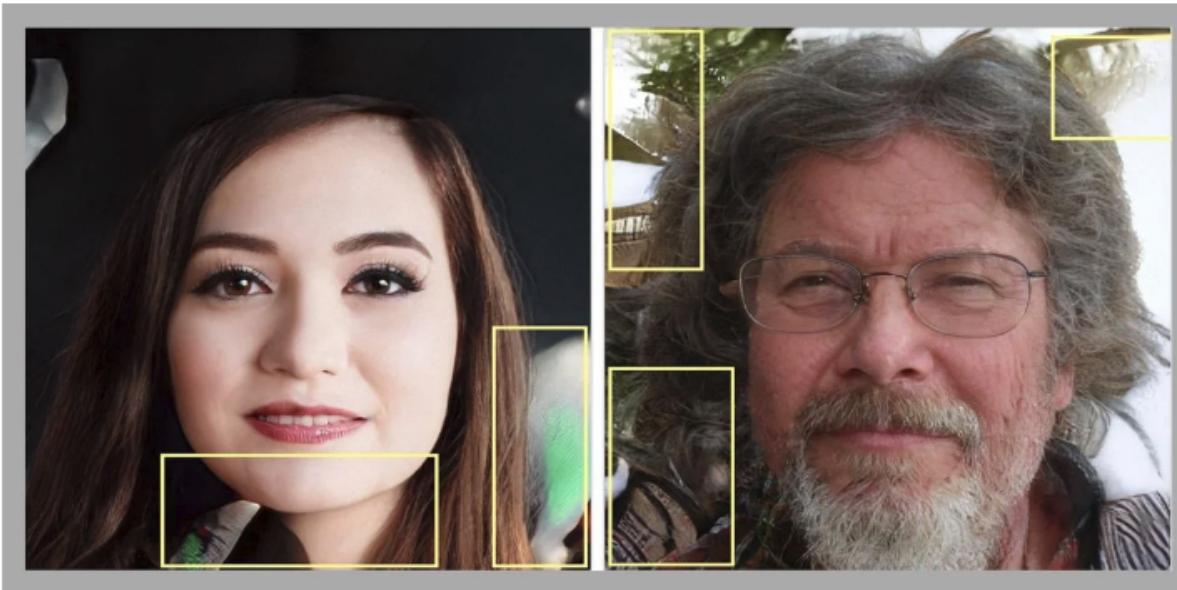
All of these faces are fake celebrities spawned by AI

New research from Nvidia uses artificial intelligence to generate high-res fake celebs



Facebook Removes Accounts With AI-Generated Profile Photos

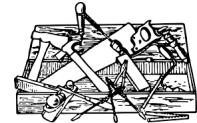
Researchers said it appears to be the first use of artificial intelligence to support an inauthentic social media campaign.



Ethical
Challenges:
Misuse

Profile pictures for Facebook accounts "Mary Keen" and "Jacobs Guillermo," admins on groups associated with The BL highlighted by Graphika. COURTESY OF GRAPHIKA

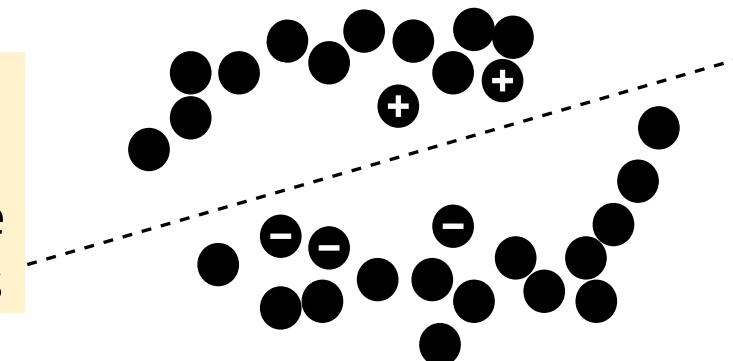
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Semisupervised learning: a few labeled examples

- we can include structured problems such as
 - matrix completion (a few entries are observed)
 - link prediction

The algorithm
sees few
examples of the
desired outputs



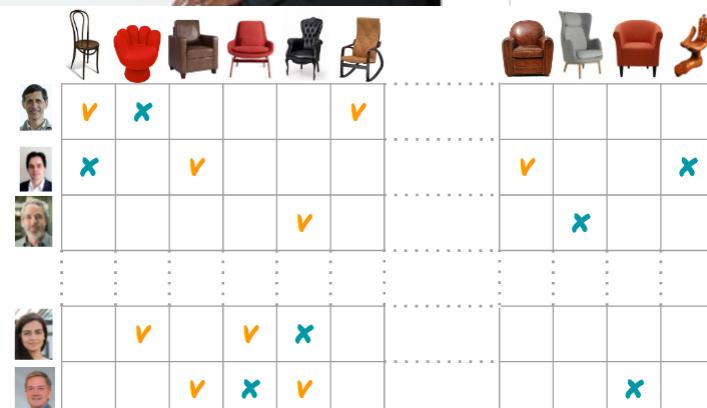
Netflix Awards \$1 Million Prize and Starts a New Contest

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Jason Kempin/Getty Images Netflix prize winners, from left, Chabbert, Martin Piotte, Michael Jahrer, Andreas Tos

Update | 1:45 p.m. Adding details announced close finish to the contest.



NetFlix Cancels Recommendation Contest After Privacy Lawsuit



Netflix is canceling its second \$1 million Netflix Prize to settle a legal challenge that it breached customer privacy as part of the first contest's race for a better movie-recommendation engine.

Ethical Challenges:
Privacy of Users

"Types" of Machine Learning

Reinforcement Learning:

- weak supervision through the reward signal
- sequential decision making
- biologically motivated

also related:

imitation learning: learning from demonstrations

- behavior cloning (is supervised learning!)
- inverse reinforcement learning (learning the reward function)



Reinforcement Learning: Example

Playing Atari like a pro 2015



Human Level Control Through Deep Reinforcement Learning

Abstract

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Reinforcement Learning: Example

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Generalization Challenge

A model trained to play Go can not perform if we change a few rules

Ockham's Razor principle:

“ Entities should not be multiplied without necessity.

The less complex model {between those performing similar on observed data}, the more likely that the model will generalize {to unseen data from the same distribution}

Pedro Domingos:

“ Simplicity does not imply accuracy but simplicity is a virtue in its own right

[source](#)



Generalization Challenge

The model learns from the distribution of the input data

the demographic and phenotypic composition of training and benchmark datasets are important

Face-recognition software is perfect – if you're a white man

Gender Classifier	Darker Male	Darker Female	Lighter Male	Lighter Female	Largest Gap
Microsoft	94.0%	79.2%	100%	98.3%	20.8%
FACE++	99.3%	65.5%	99.2%	94.0%	33.8%
IBM	88.0%	65.3%	99.7%	92.9%	34.4%



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Bias and Fairness Challenge

The model learns from the distribution of the input data and its biases

The image displays two identical Google Translate interfaces side-by-side, illustrating how a machine learning model can learn biased patterns from the data it is trained on.

Left Side (English to Persian):

English Sentence	Persian Translation
She is a doctor.	اویک دکتر است.
He is a nurse.	اویک برسنار است.
She is an engineer.	اویک مهندس است.
He is a teacher.	اویک معلم است.
She is a lawyer.	اویک وکیل است.
She is a scientist.	او دانشمند است.
She is a manager.	اویک مدیر است.
She is a scientist.	او دانشمند است.
He is kind.	او مهربان است.
She is skilled.	او ماهر است

Right Side (Persian to English):

Persian Sentence	English Translation
اویک دکتر است.	He is a doctor.
اویک برسنار است.	She is a nurse.
اویک مهندس است.	He's an engineer.
اویک معلم است.	she is a teacher.
اویک وکیل است.	He's a lawyer.
او دانشمند است.	He is a scientist.
اویک مدیر است.	He's a manager.
او دانشمند است.	He is a scientist.
او مهربان است.	He is kind.
او ماهر است	He is skilled

In both cases, the model consistently translates "she" as female and "he" as male across all professions, demonstrating a clear gender bias in its learned patterns.

Bias and Fairness Challenge

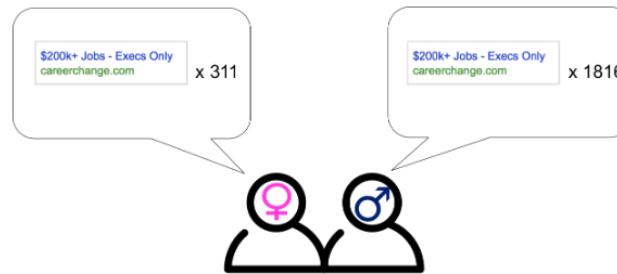
Growing use, growing concerns

The algorithm decides to show high-income jobs to men much more often than to women.

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The algorithm decides not to invite women to interview.

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Growing use, growing concern

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Ethical
Challenges:
Bias



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Heidi Ledford



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Ethics in ML

Be informed and mindful when using
ML in practice.

Accuracy should not be our only goal.



Summary

Supervised Learning: we have labeled data

- classification
- regression

Unsupervised Learning: only unlabeled data

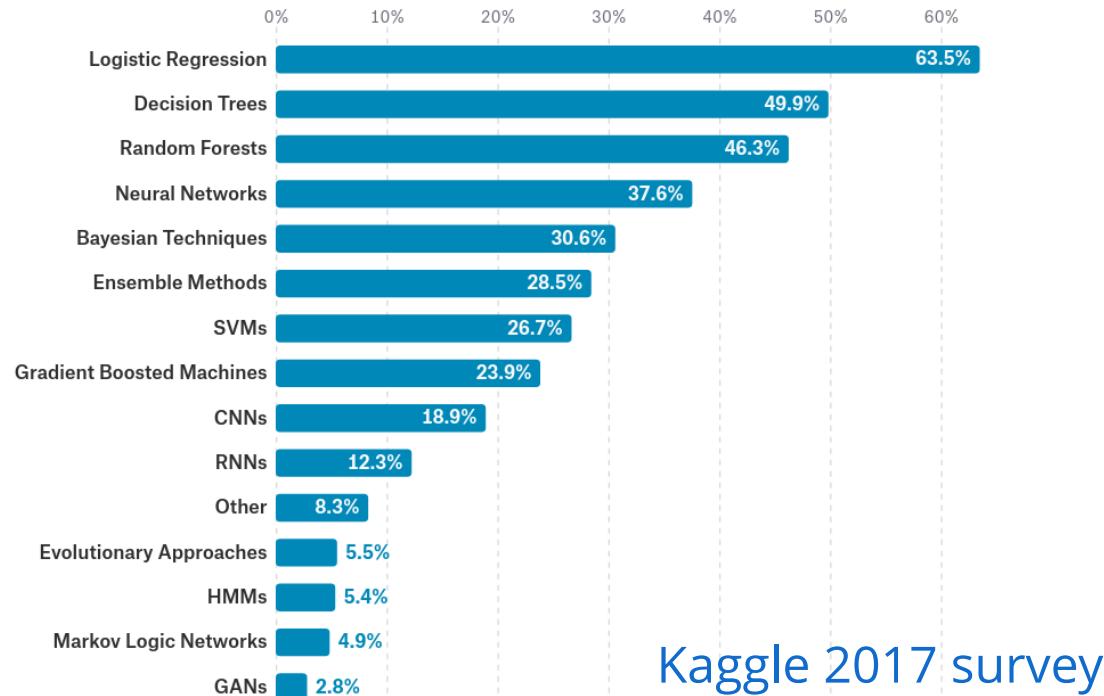
- clustering
- density estimation / generative modeling

Semisupervised learning: a few labeled examples

Reinforcement Learning: reward signal

Challenges: privacy, generalization, bias, misuse

What is used the most in practice?



Kaggle 2017 survey