



VL Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing

1. Organization & Introduction

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Lerning Goals for this Chapter



- Answering the question: am I right here?
- Explain and define deep learning
- Position deep learning with regards to machine learning
- Understand the historical development of the area of ML

- Relevant chapters:
 - P2

20 Deep Learning Applications You Need to Know

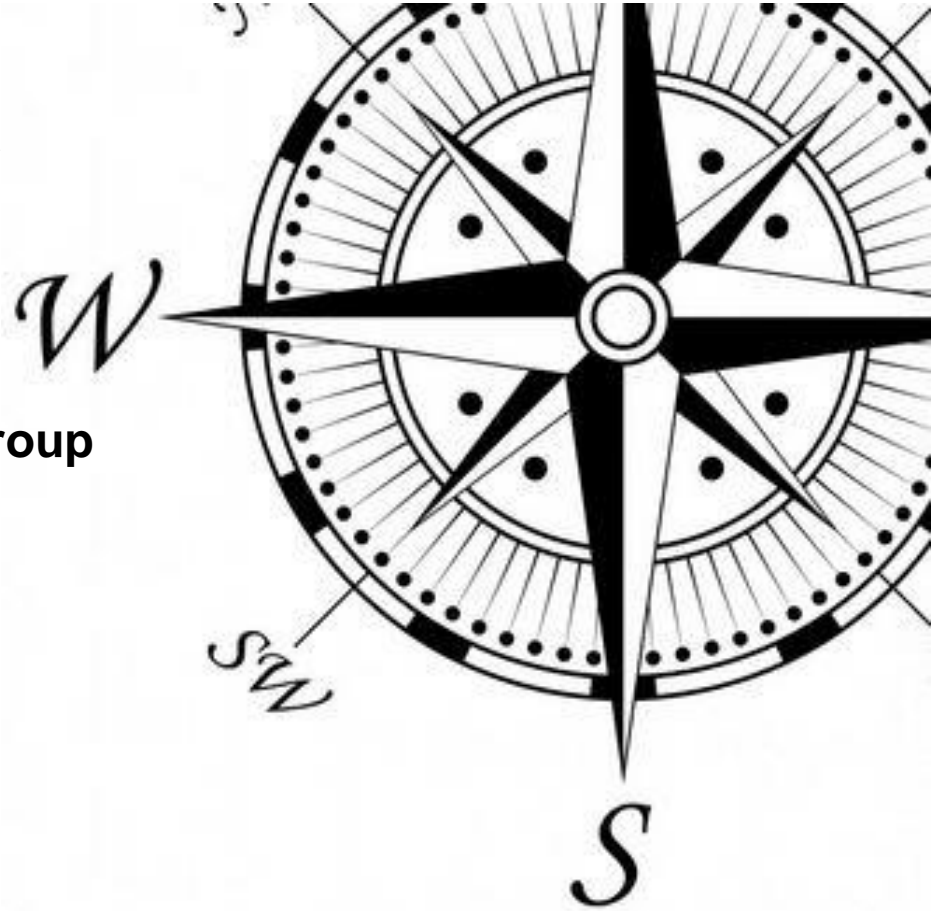


- Fraud detection
- Customer relationship management systems
- Computer vision
- Agriculture
- Vocal AI
- Natural language processing
- Data refining
- Virtual Assistants
- Autonomous vehicles
- Supercomputers
- Investment modeling
- Climate Change
- E-commerce
- Emotional intelligence
- Entertainment
- Deep Dreaming
- Advertising
- Manufacturing
- Healthcare
- Sports

<https://builtin.com/artificial-intelligence/deep-learning-applications>

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Information Profiling and Retrieval (IPR)



Focus on understanding of text

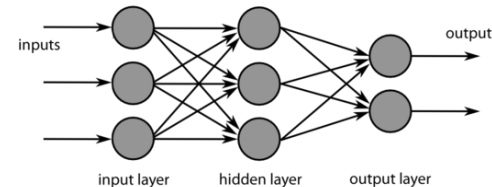


AI methods

- Deep learning, topic modeling, knowledge graphs

Application domains

- Scientific publications, archives, libraries, web pages, social media, Wikipedia, user-generated content, patents, legal docs, news articles, political speeches, ...
- **Metadata, joint analysis, multi-modal**



- IPR regularly offers the following courses (approximately every three semesters):
 - Text Mining (in German) BS W/INF V2 U2
 - Information Retrieval (in German) BS & MS W/INF V4 U1 PU1
 - Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing (in English) MS W/INF V2 U2
- In addition, seminars and projects are offered irregularly on the topics:
 - Recommender Systems (BA)
 - Knowledge Graphs (MA)
 - Topic Modeling (MA)
 - Large Language Models (MA)
- **Bachelor and Master theses**
<https://www.ipr.informatik.uni-kiel.de/de/abschlussarbeiten/offene-themen>

Open Student Assistant Position



- Web development within the BMBF-funded CoCo project
 - <https://www.coco-projekt.de/>
- 20 - 40 hours/month
- 13 Euro/hour

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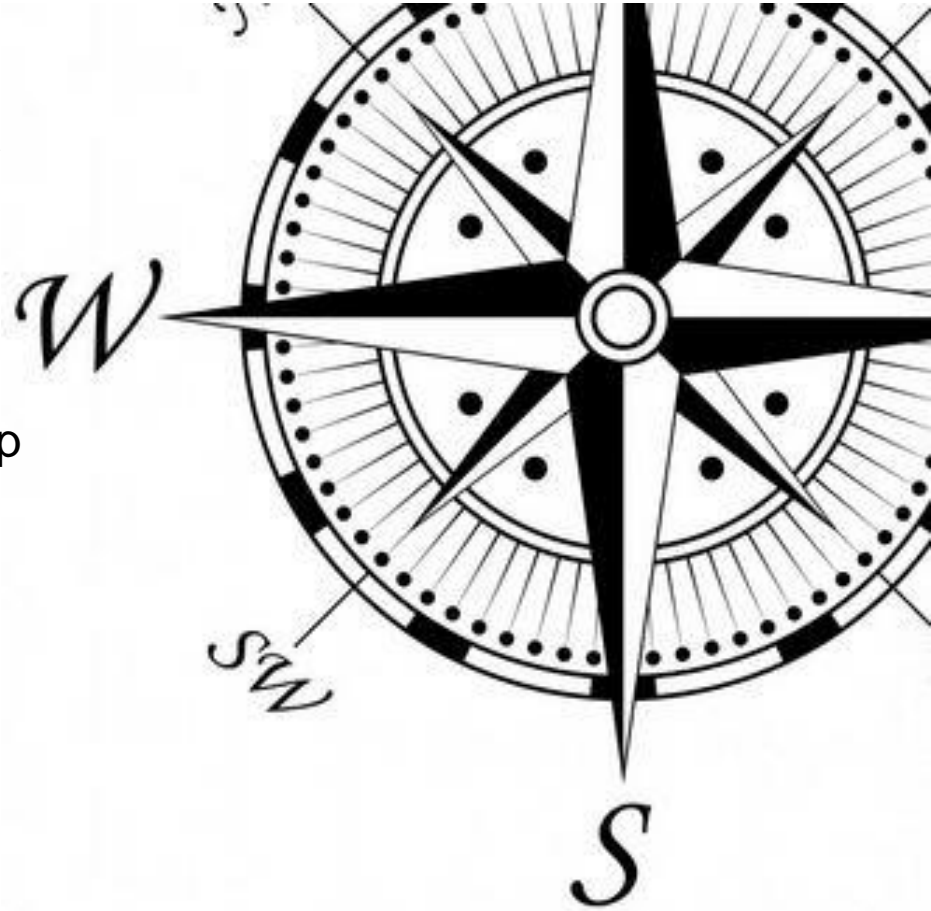
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- We will use Moodle as our main platform:
 - <https://elearn.informatik.uni-kiel.de/course/view.php?id=274>
 - Enrolment key: **Ernie&Bert**
- Suggestions for improvement of
 - Use of slides/errors on slides
 - Assignments
- Questions any time!
 - During/After lecture
 - In person room CAP 901
 - Email first!
 - Email: **rkr@informatik.uni-kiel.de**

Dates



- Exercises: Monday, 16:15 - 17:45
 - LMS8 - R.EG.016
- Lecture : Thursday 10:15 – 11:45
 - LMS8 - R.EG.016
- No lectures/exercises
 - 15.4.24 Semester Start
 - 9.5.24 Holiday
 - 20.5.24 Holiday



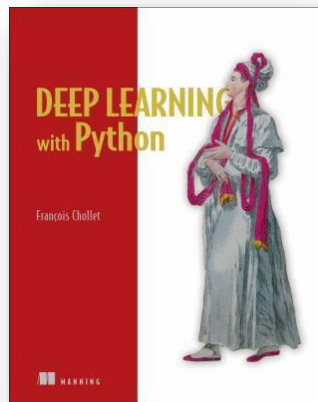
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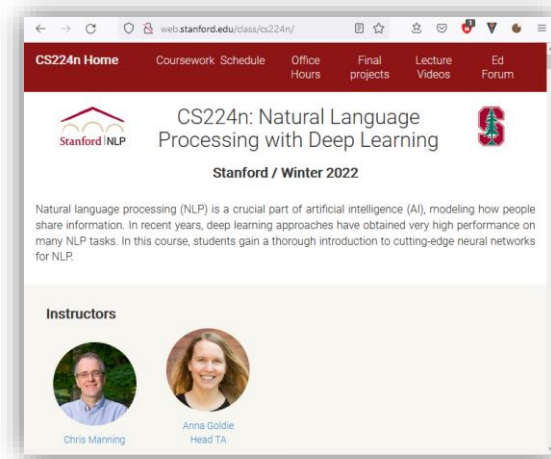
- Exam
 - Mostly „theoretical“ questions
 - Some „practical/applied“ questions
 - No language-/library-specific programming questions
- Three homework assignments
 - **At least 50% points per assignment to be eligible for exam**
 - **For every assignment where you got more than 90% you will get one bonus point in the exam (if you pass the exam)**
 - Hand-in through Moodle



- Deep Learning with **P**ython
 - Francois Chollet
 - Manning Publications Company
- **S**tanford Course
 - Chris Manning
 - <http://web.stanford.edu/class/cs224n>



Note: the book uses Tensorflow/Keras for programming examples; we will use Pytorch!

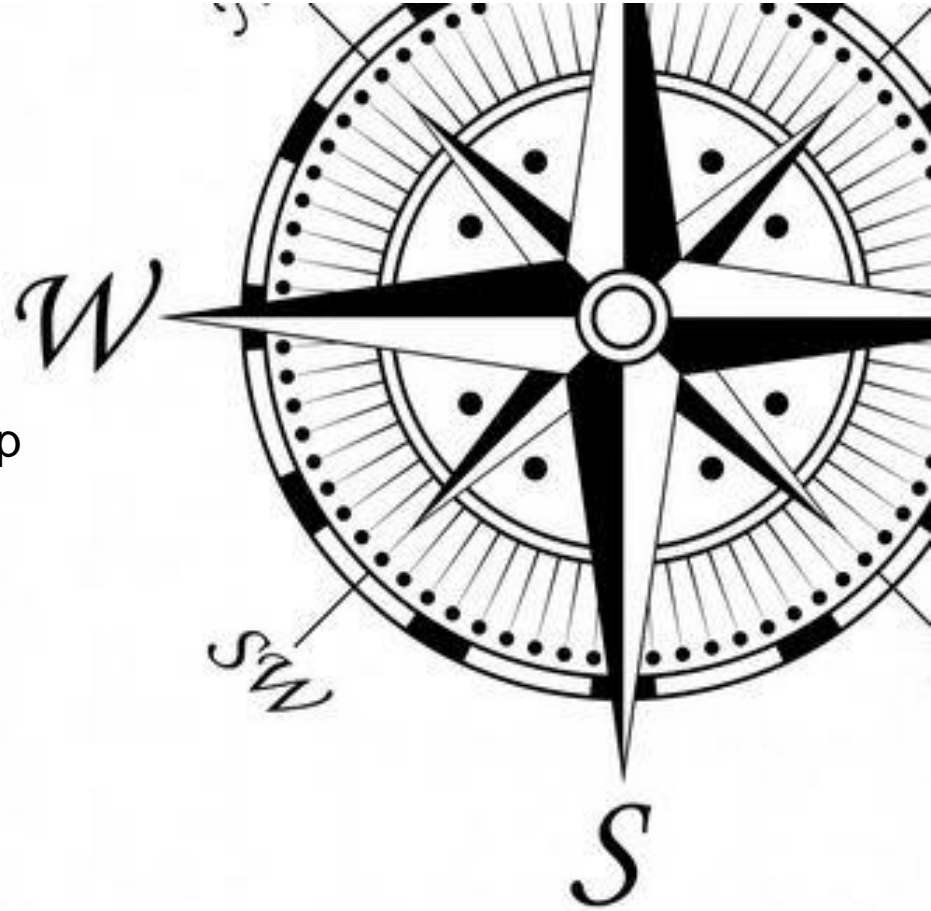


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Semester Schedule



Week	Date	Exercise (Mon)	Lecture (Thu)	Assignments
1	15.4.24	No Exercise	Introduction	
2	22.4.24	Python/Pytorch/Colab	Neural Networks	Hand-out A1
3	29.4.24	Neural Network Implementation	NLP+TM	
4	6.5.24	Text Classification	Holiday	Hand-in A1
5	13.5.24	Assignment 1 Discussion	Word Embeddings I	Hand-out A2
6	20.5.24	Holiday	Word Embeddings II	
7	27.5.24	Word Embeddings Applications	Word Classifiers	
8	3.6.24	Deep Learning in Practice	Language Models	
9	10.6.24	RNNs+CNN	Recurrent Neural Networks	Hand-in A2
10	17.6.24	Assignment 2 Discussion	Sequence-to-Sequence Models	Hand-out A3
11	24.6.24	Seq2Seq & Hugging Face	Transformer Models	
12	1.7.24	Transformers	Large Language Models	Hand-in A3
13	8.7.24	Assignment 3 Discussion	Generation and Prompting	



Learning Goals



- Students will be able to...
 - Explain different neural network architectures
 - Identify application areas and tasks for deep learning
 - Select suitable network architectures for a given task
 - Explain the functions of different components of NN
 - Apply DL in Python
 - Design and implement their own applications and evaluate their performance
 - Understand the theoretical background, in particular, be able to run the backpropagation algorithm manually
 - Realize the limits of deep learning
 - get an overview of current research in the field
 - Assess societal consequences of DL and discuss them

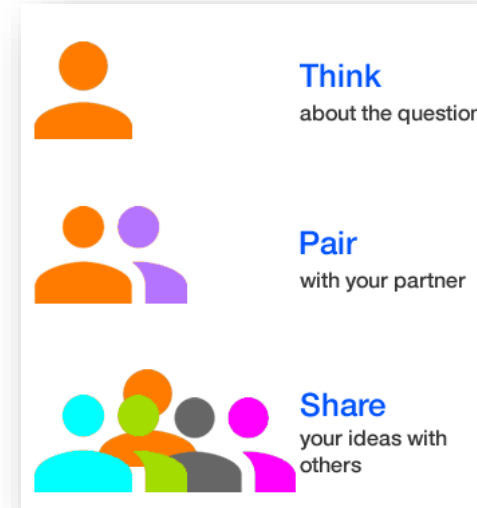


Others?

Your Turn!

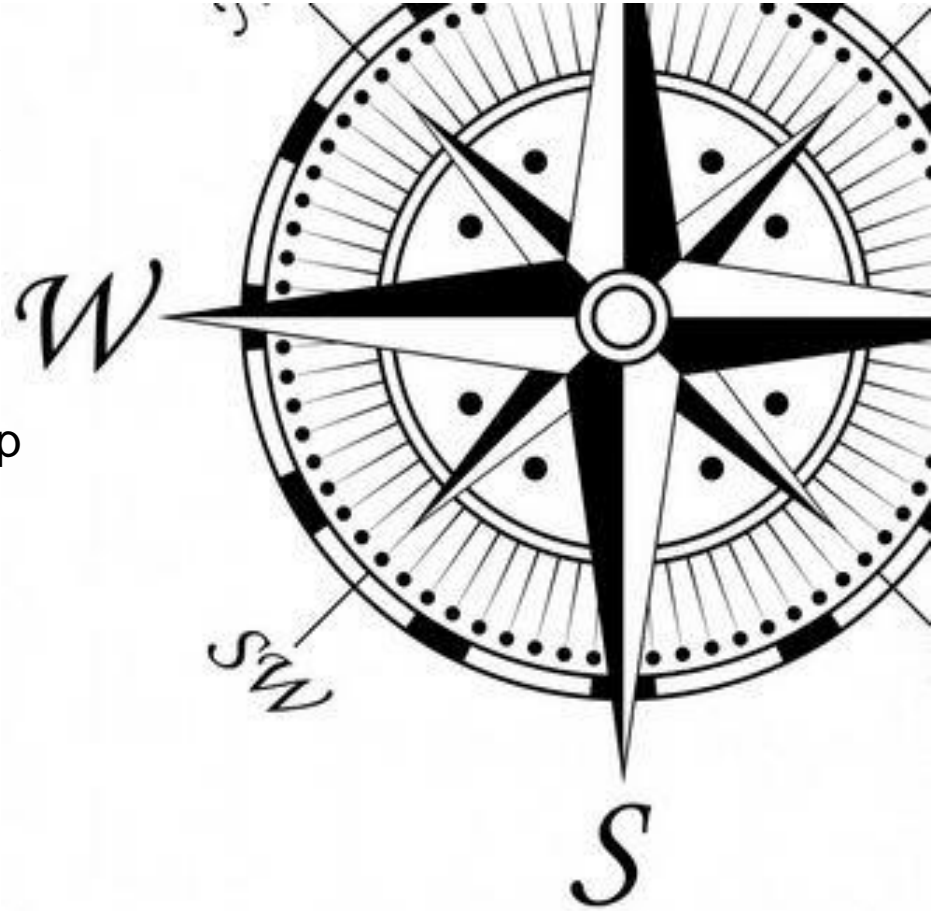


- After each topic there will be a small task which should be discussed with your neighbor for 5 minutes.
- You can use Moodle to further discuss these tasks, suggest solutions, comment, etc.
- What do you expect from this class?
 - Make a ranking of three learning goals.
 - Discuss with your neighbor.

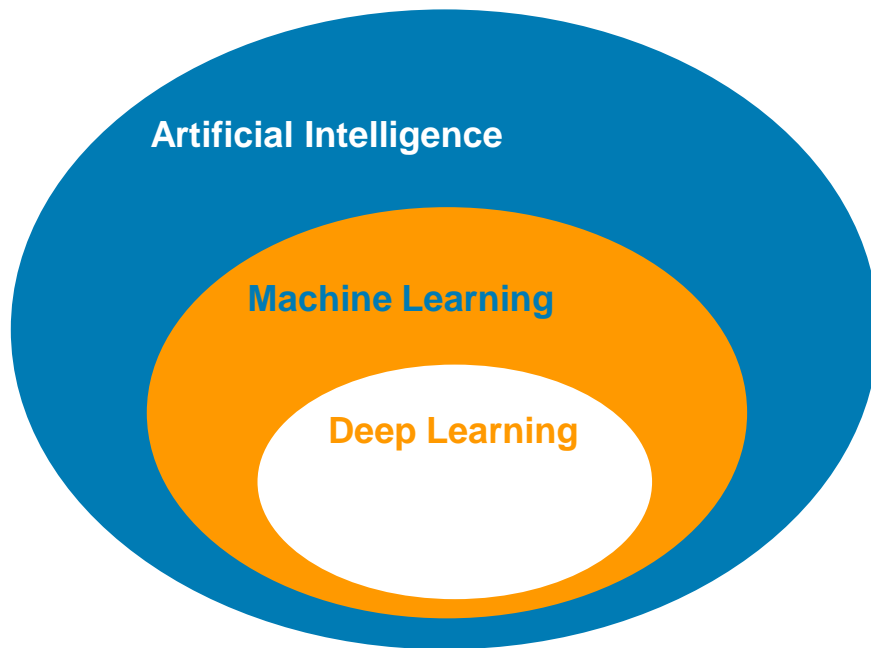


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What is Deep Learning



Artificial Intelligence



- AI: „The effort to automate intellectual tasks normally performed by humans“
 - Not only machine learning but also rule-based approaches
 - **Symbolic AI**
 - Expert systems in the 80ies
 - E.g. chess computer
 - Only works for certain problems
 - Clearly defined
 - Logical problems
 - Does not work for complex, diffuse problems
 - Image classification
 - Speech recognition
 - Translation



<http://illumin.usc.edu/188/deep-blue-the-history-and-engineering-behind-computer-chess/>

Machine Learning



- Instead of humans coming up with rules (classical programming),



- Let computers **learn** the rules.



- A system based on machine learning (a **model**) is being trained, not programmed.
- ML is nowadays an important subfield of AI and
 - Closely connected to **statistics**,
 - Which usually deal with much **smaller** and **less complex** data.

Machine Learning as Transformation



- For machine learning you need
 - **input data** and the
 - corresponding, expected **output data** and
 - a **measure** to check how well the learning works.
- **Learning** is the (stepwise) adaption of the model to **increase** the chosen **measure**.
- What is learned: a **transformation** from the input to the output data.
- The challenge of ML and DL is to find a good transformation.
 - This is easier if the input (and output) data is represented in a meaningful way.
 - Dependend on the task:
 - E.g. image pixel as RGB values or hsv values

Example: automatic speech recognition

Input data: audiofiles

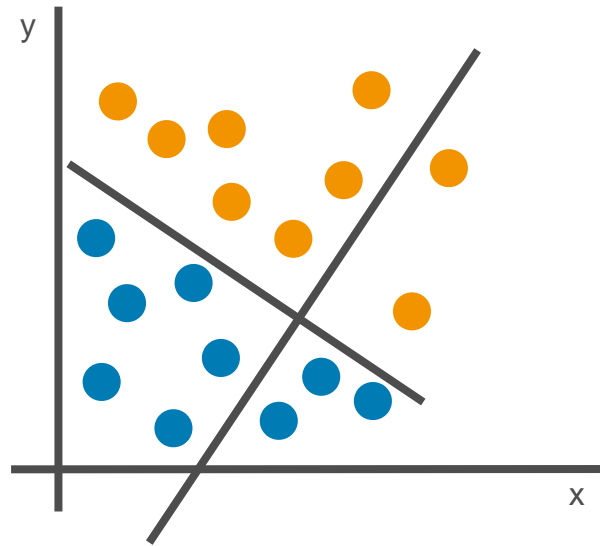
Output data: manually created transcripts

Measure: count of correctly recognized letters/words

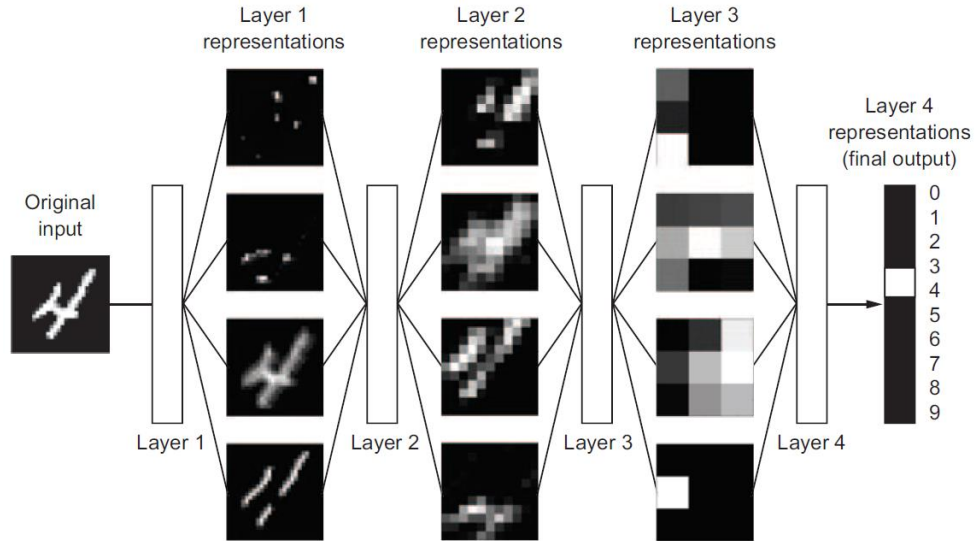
Representation Learning



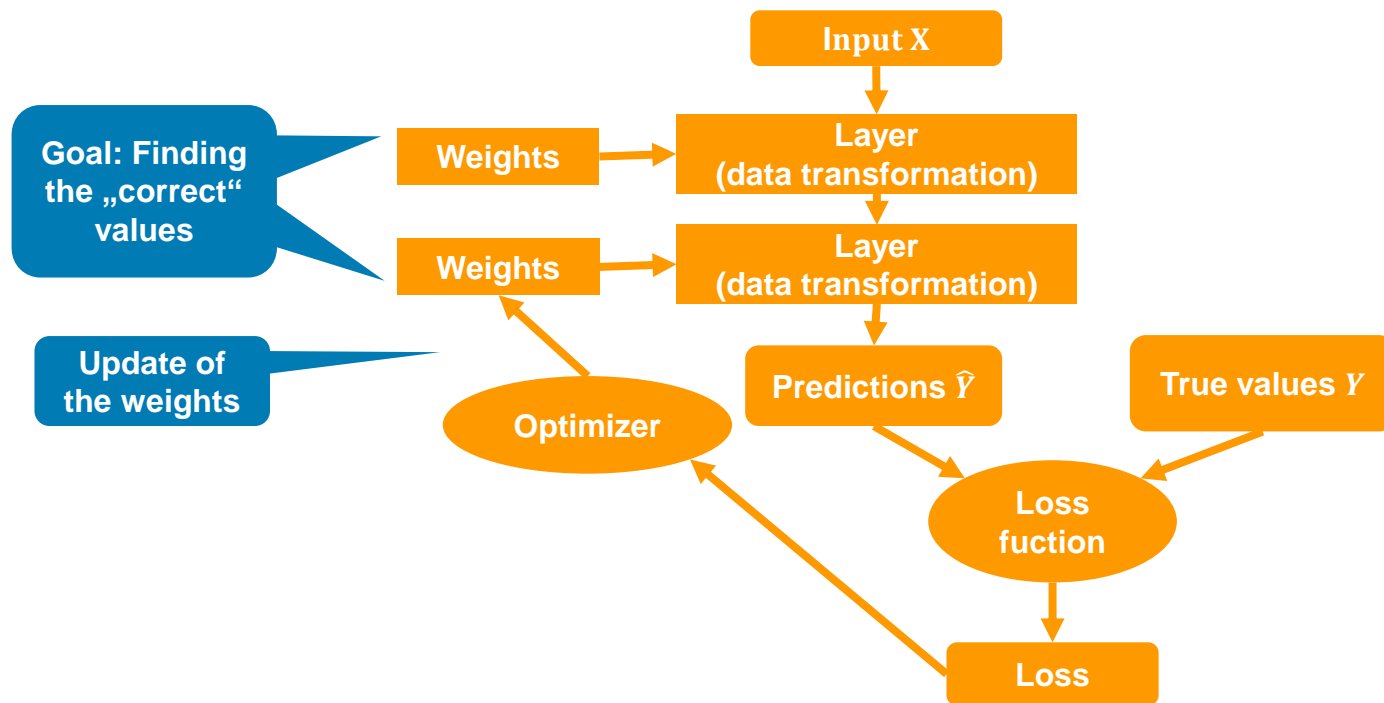
- Example: classification of points into red and yellow
 - Input: coordinates of the points
 - Expected output: Color of points
 - Measure: Proportion of correctly classified points
 - New representation of the points
 - Change of coordinates
 - Now, classification very easy: $x > 0$
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- ML: Systematic search for good representation
 - Learning=Search for **better representation**
 - Coordinate change, linear projection, non-linear operations, ...
 - ML-Algorithms are not very creative
 - Simple search of the **hypothesis space**



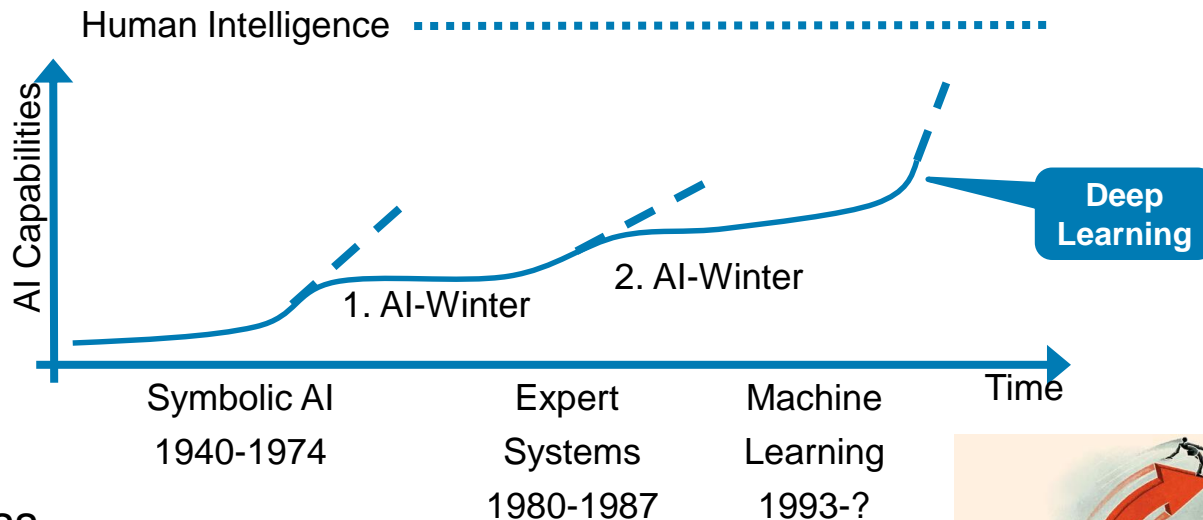
„Deep“ Learning



Deep Learning Architecture



Deep Learning Hype



1. First success
2. Hopes/Expectations (too high)
3. Disappointment
4. Less research funding



Deep Learning Tasks

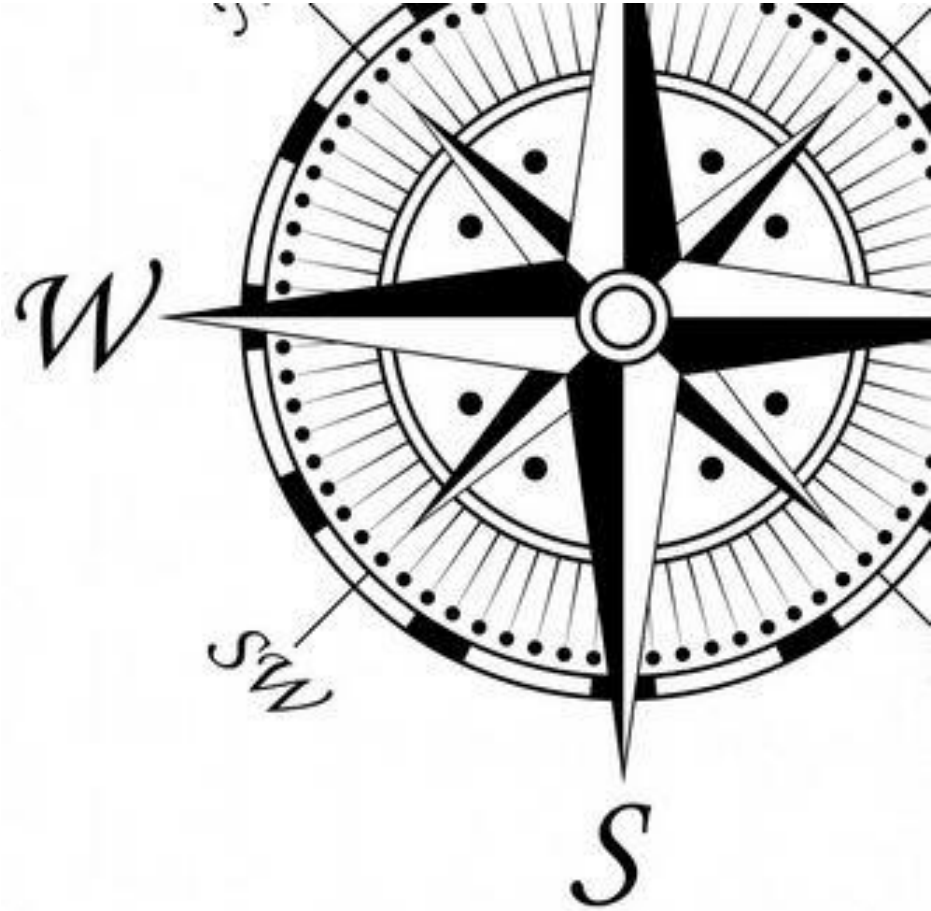


- Which kind of problems can be solved with DL?
 - Name examples of task.
- Which type of problems DL cannot solve as well, if at all?
 - What are the reasons?
- How likely do you think is a third AI winter?
 - How to avoid a third AI winter?



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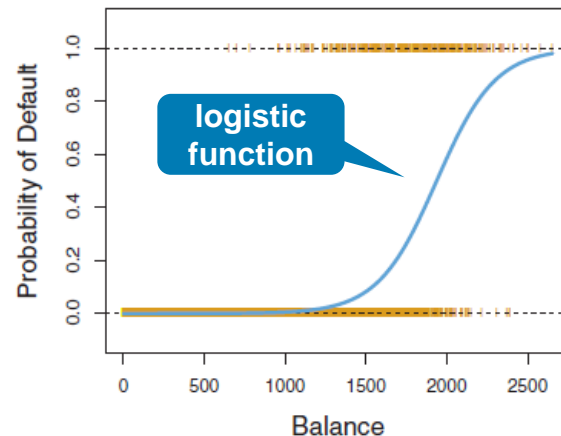
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Probabilistic Modeling



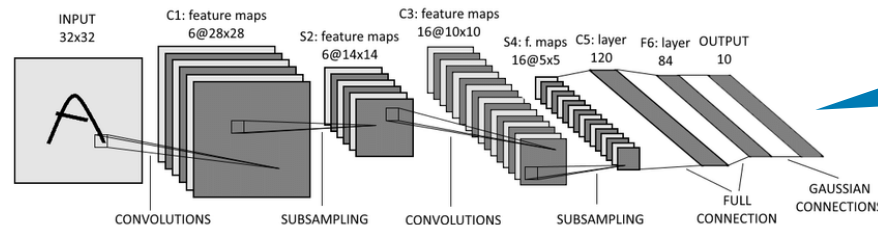
- Originated from statistics
 - Older than computers
- Naive Bayes algorithm
 - Naive: input data independent
 - Bayes: $P(c|f) = \frac{P(f|c) P(c)}{P(f)}$
- Logistic regression
 - Classification, **not regression!**



Bayes
theorem

Early Neural Networks

- First idea in the 1950s
- Problem back then: Not possible to train large networks
 - Only toy examples, no useful applications
- Mid of the 1980s
 - Rediscovery of the backpropagation algorithm
 - Training of large nets using gradient descent
- In 1989, first practical application of neural Nets
 - LeCun (Bell Labs): LeNet, hand writing recognition
 - Convolutional neural network (CNN) & backpropagation

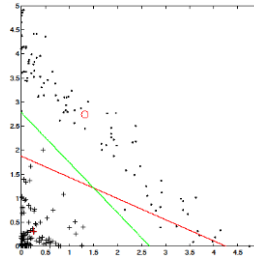
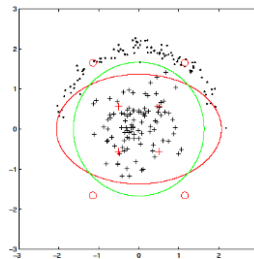


LeNet-5: In the 1990s used by USPS to recognize zipcodes automatically

Kernel Methods



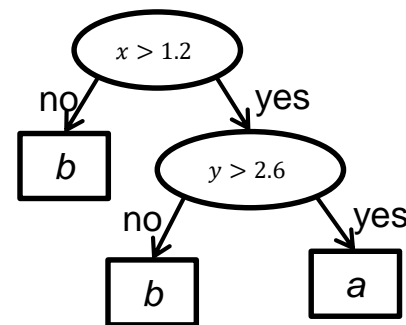
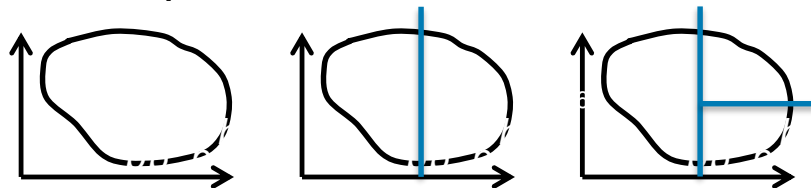
- Group of classification algorithms
- Developed in the 1990s; still very popular
- Best-known algorithm: Support Vector Machines (SVM) [CV95]
 1. Data is being projected into an high-dimensional space.
 2. In this space, classes can be easily separated by a hyperplane.
 3. Hyperplane is chosen to maximize the margins of points and hyperplane.
- Actual projection too costly, thus apply the **kernel trick**
 - Only calculate the distances in the high-dimensional space using a kernel function
 - Kernel function is not learnt but manually specified
 - Input data needs to be represented in a suitable way since this is a **shallow** (vs. deep) methods.



Decision Trees, Random Forest, GBM



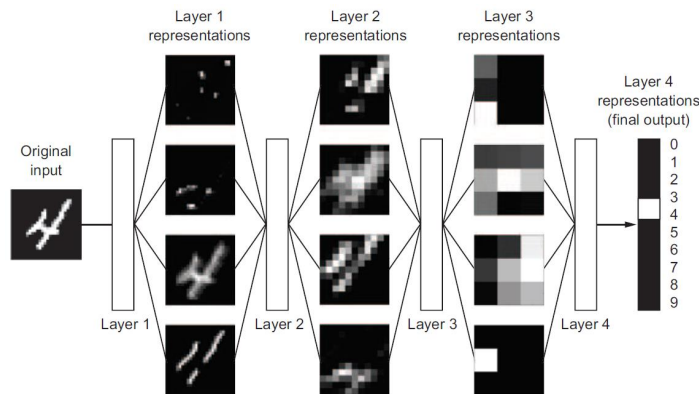
- Decision Trees:
 - Heyday between 2000 and 2010
 - Easy to understand/interpret/visualize



- Random Forest
 - Many small decision trees whose results are combined
 - Very successful in practice (<http://kaggle.com>)
- Gradient Boosting Machines (GBM), since 2014 top choice at Kaggle
 - Similar to Random Forest
 - Improvement by focusing during training iterations on previously wrongly classified instances
 - Best algorithm for „non-perceptual“ problems

- 2010 important research results for Deep Neural Nets
 - Hinton, U Toronto; Bengio, U Montreal; LeCun, NYU
- 2011 first success at image classification using GPU-trained DNNs
- 2012 breakthrough at image classification challenge ImageNet
 - 1.4 millionen training images, 1000 classes
 - 2011 without DL: 74,3% accuracy
 - 2012 Hinton's group: 83,6%
 - 2015 problem solved (96,4%)
- Since then, CNNs (convnets) de facto standard in the area of computer vision.
- Many task also in the area of Natural Language Processing (NLP)
- In case of many available training examples, DL has superseded SVMs and decision trees for many tasks.
 - E.g. at CERN for analyzing ATLAS detector data of the LHC

- Deep Learning is not only superior based on **better results** for certain tasks, but also because there is no need for **feature engineering** any more.



For shallow problems:
GBM: XGBoost library
For perceptual problems:
DL: Keras/Pytorch library

- Shallow methods (SVM, decision trees) transform input data at most one to two times; for many complex input data this is not enough.
- In deep learning, representations are not learned in isolation, layer-by-layer, but jointly.
 - This leads to more complex representations in each layer.

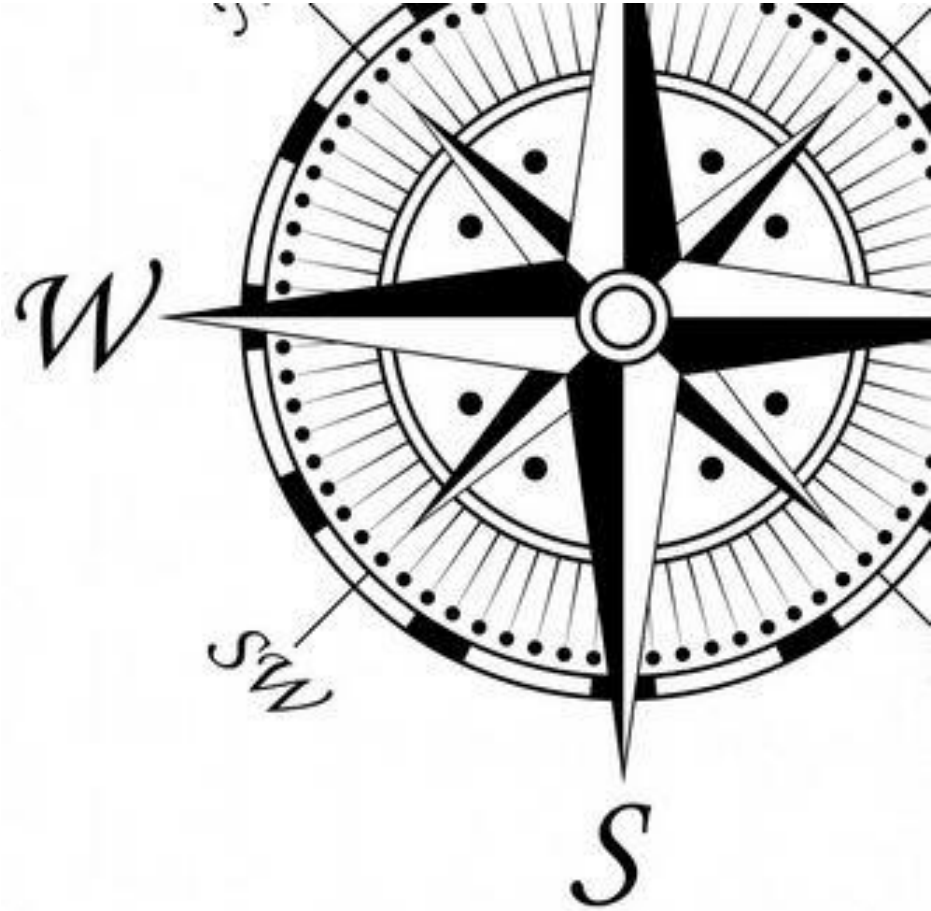


- Why was DL not already successful during the 1950ies?
- How about chaining five SVMs together, one after the other?
Would this be a deep SVM giving good results?
- What are the weaknesses/disadvantages of DL?
- Where and why are SVMs and decision trees still in work, although DL is so successful?



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