



# HeiCADLearn

Practical Introduction to AI and Data Science for Doctoral Researchers  
in Medicine and Biology

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# Day 1

1 Introduction

2 What is AI?


3 What can we already do using AI?  
What are the current limitations of AI?  
What are ethical/legal concerns?

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4 A short introduction  
to data science in Python

# Day 2

1 From linear regression to neural networks

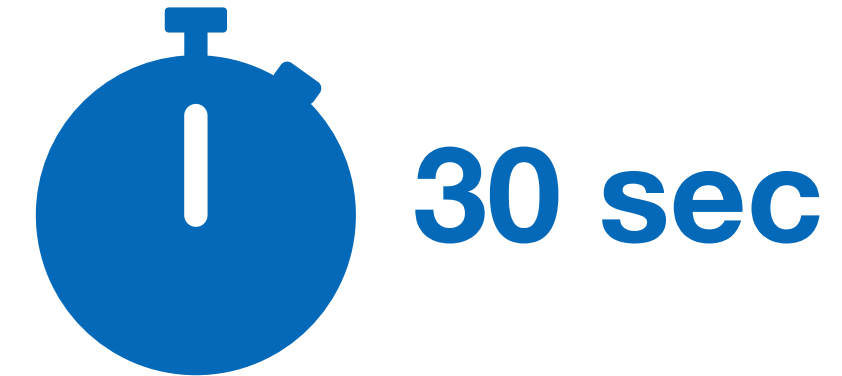
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2 AI in practice:  
Deep learning for biology and medicine

# Day 3

Deep learning example

# Introduction



- Name
- Department / Research Area
- Why did you sign up for this workshop and what do you expect from it?

# Learning Objectives

At the end of the workshop you should

- be able to **classify the importance** of AI technologies
- be able to explain **basic terms and methods**
- be able to assess whether the use of AI is **necessary / useful**
- be able to **analyse your data** as research questions and problems arise **and apply basic data science and AI tools**
- have the ability to **differentiate** where “traditional” mathematical / statistical methods should be preferred for analysis and in which cases (and if there is sufficient qualitative / quantitative data) AI methods can be used

# What is AI?



## Discussion

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- How would you define AI?
- Where do you already encounter AI in your everyday life?
- What preconceptions and myths do you associate with AI?
- How is AI depicted in the literature, on TV, in the media?



# What is AI?



“Artificial intelligence (AI) refers to systems that display intelligent behaviour by analysing their environment and taking actions – with some degree of autonomy – to achieve specific goals.

AI-based systems can be purely software-based, acting in the virtual world (e.g. voice assistants, image analysis software, search engines, speech and face recognition systems) or AI can be embedded in hardware devices (e.g. advanced robots, autonomous cars, drones or Internet of Things applications).”

# What is AI?



“A **general AI** system is intended to be a system that can perform most activities that humans can do. **Narrow AI** systems are instead systems that can perform one or few specific tasks. Currently deployed AI systems are examples of narrow AI.

In the early days of AI, researchers used a different terminology (weak and strong AI).

There are still many open ethical, scientific and technological challenges to build the capabilities that would be needed to achieve general AI, such as common sense reasoning, self-awareness, and the ability of the machine to define its own purpose.”

# What is AI?

## **Yann LeCun (VP and Chief AI Scientist, Facebook):**

It's clear to him that AI still has a long, long way to go before it approaches anything near the intelligence of a baby, or even an animal. Oh, and if you don't mind, he'd really like it if we all stopped using Terminator pictures on AI articles.

<https://www.theverge.com/2017/10/26/16552056/a-intelligence-terminator-facebook-yann-lecun-interview>

## **Rodney Brooks (Professor of Robotics (emeritus) at MIT):**

“None of our AI systems have any intentionality. They're all very narrow tools: solve this sub-problem, solve this sub-problem. They don't have the intentionality, really, even of an insect, let alone a small mammal. People hear AI and they think they're these smart machines with wants and desires and capabilities. They don't have any of that. I wish they did, but that's not what we've been able to do in the last, really, 55 years of AI research.”

[https://www.roboticsbusinessreview.com/rbr/rodney\\_brooks\\_ai\\_systems\\_very\\_narrow\\_tools/](https://www.roboticsbusinessreview.com/rbr/rodney_brooks_ai_systems_very_narrow_tools/)

## **Stephen Hawking (Theoretical Physics, Cambridge)**

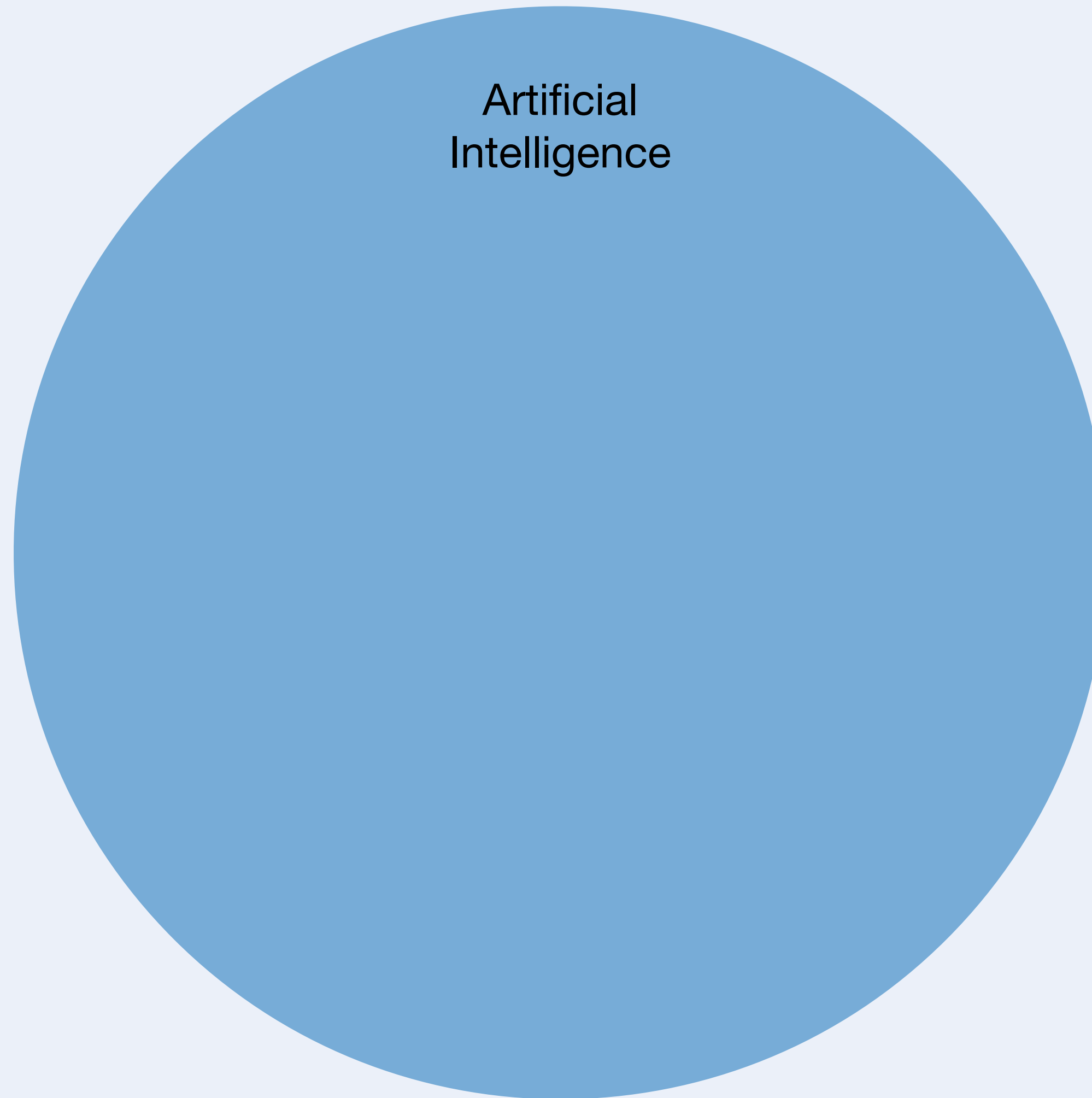
“Success in creating AI could be the biggest event in the history of our civilisation. But it could also be the last – unless we learn how to avoid the risks. Alongside the benefits, AI will also bring dangers like powerful autonomous weapons or new ways for the few to oppress the many.”

“We cannot predict what we might achieve when our own minds are amplified by AI. Perhaps with the tools of this new technological revolution, we will be able to undo some of the damage done to the natural world by the last one – industrialisation.”

<https://www.cam.ac.uk/research/news/the-best-or-worst-thing-to-happen-to-humanity-stephen-hawking-launches-centre-for-the-future-of>

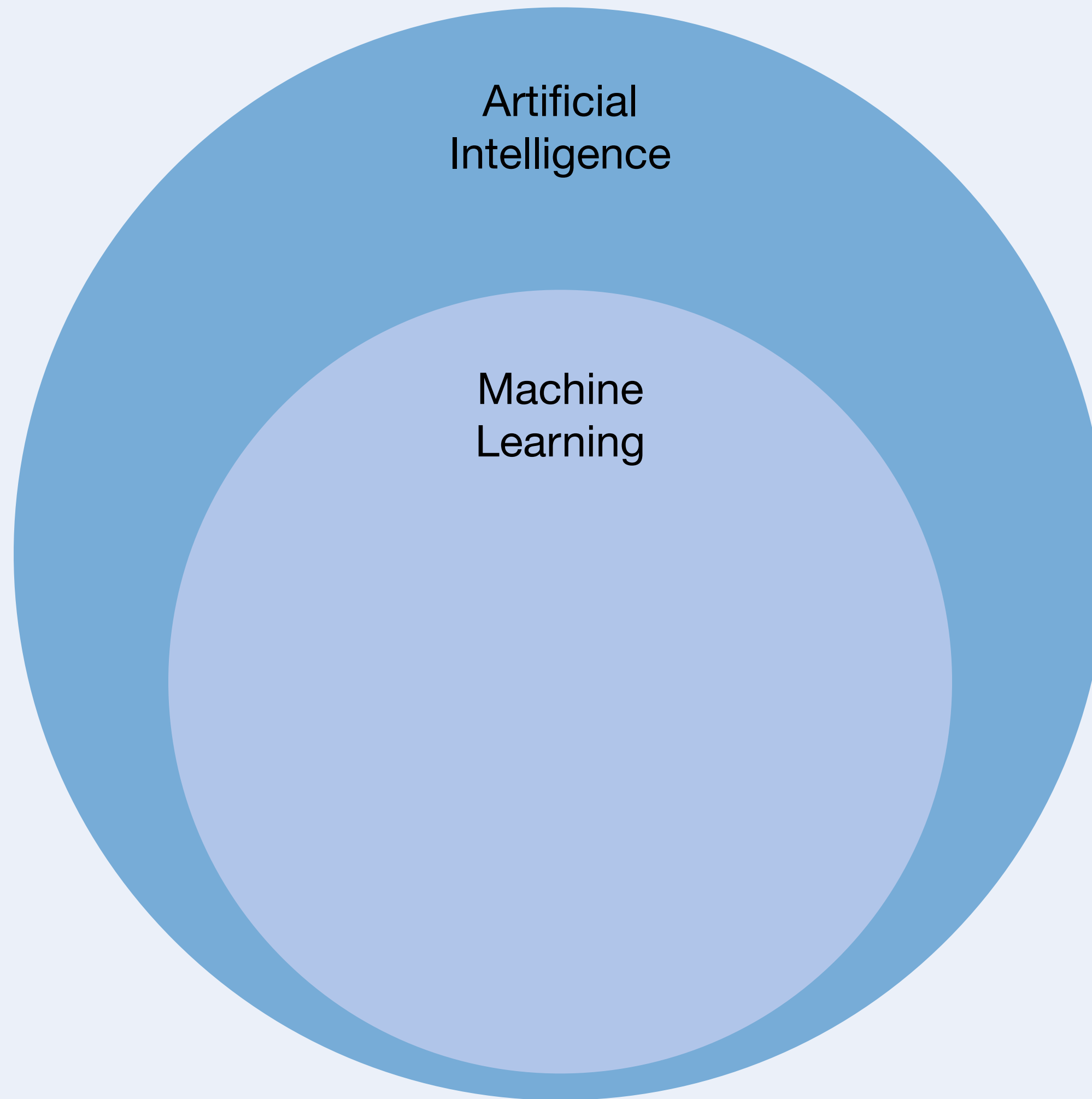


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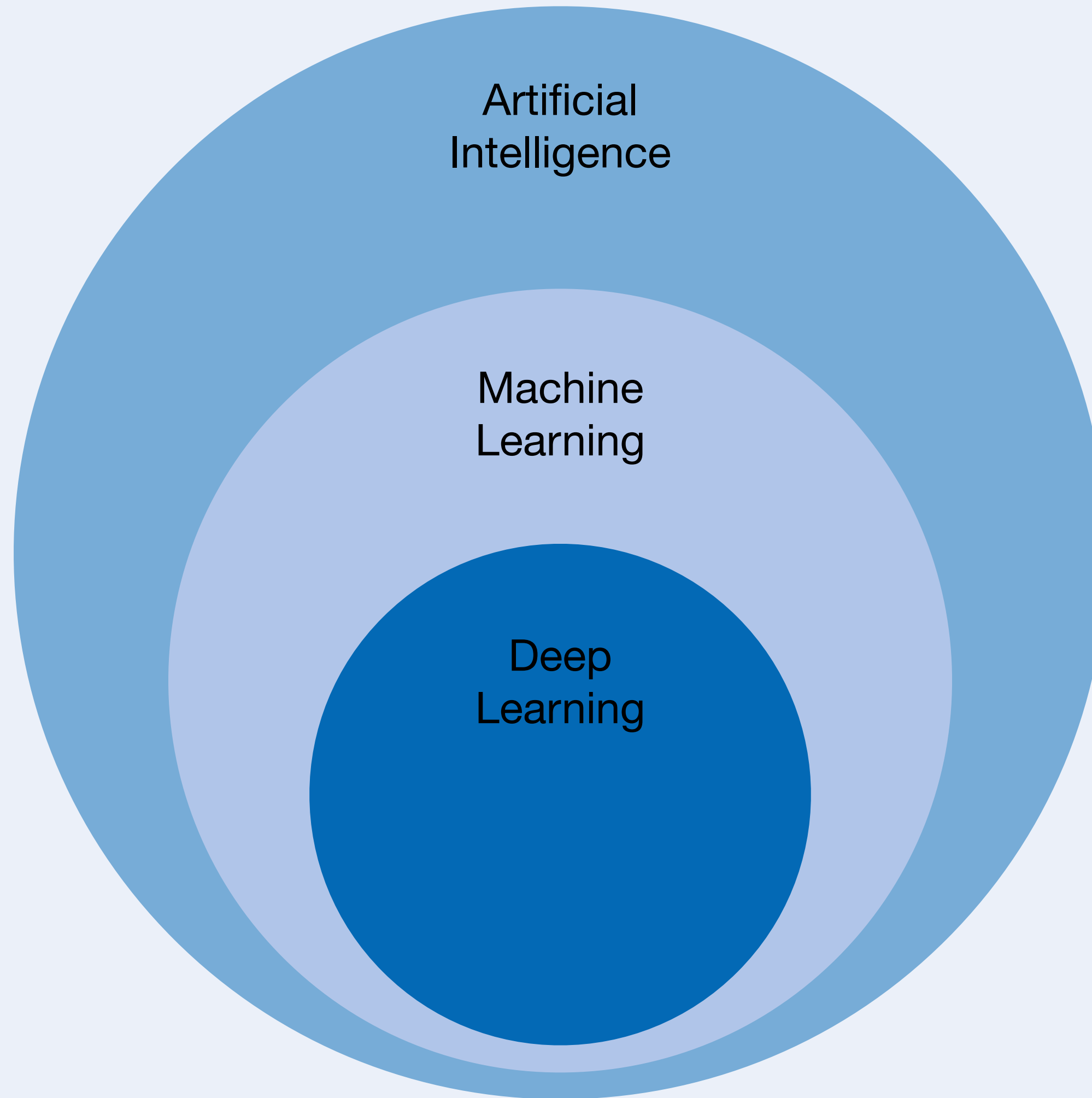
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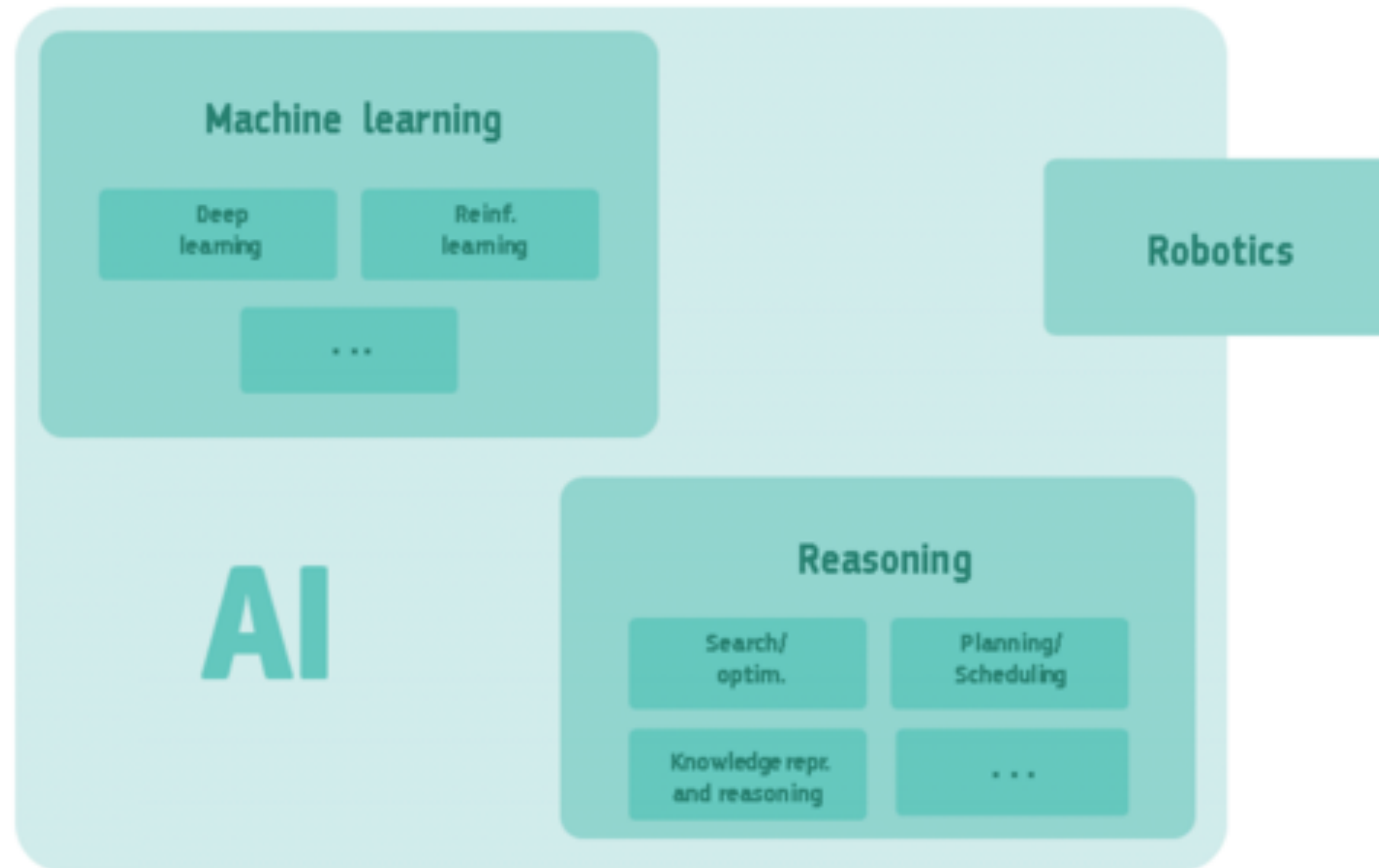
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*Figure 2: A simplified overview of AI's sub-disciplines and their relationship.*

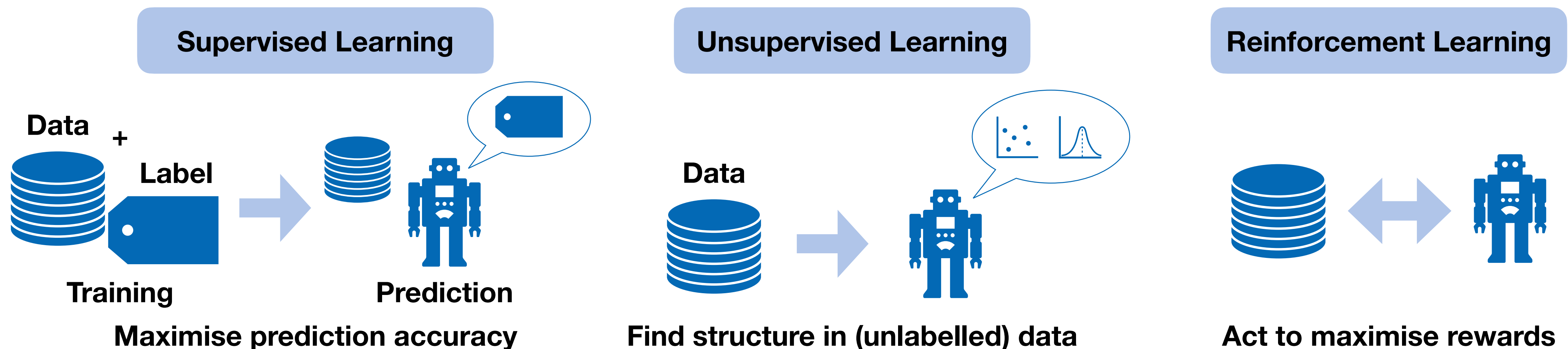
*Both machine learning and reasoning include many other techniques, and robotics includes techniques that are outside AI. The whole of AI falls within the computer science discipline.*



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The process of computers changing the way they carry out tasks by **learning from new data**, without a human being needing to give instructions in the form of a program  
(Cambridge Dictionary)

Machine learning can be broadly defined as **computational methods using experience to improve performance or to make accurate predictions**. Here, *experience* refers to the past information available to the learner, which typically takes the form of electronic data collected and made available for analysis. This data could be in the form of digitised human-labeled training sets, or other types of information obtained via interaction with the environment. In all cases, its quality and size are crucial to the success of the predictions made by the learner.  
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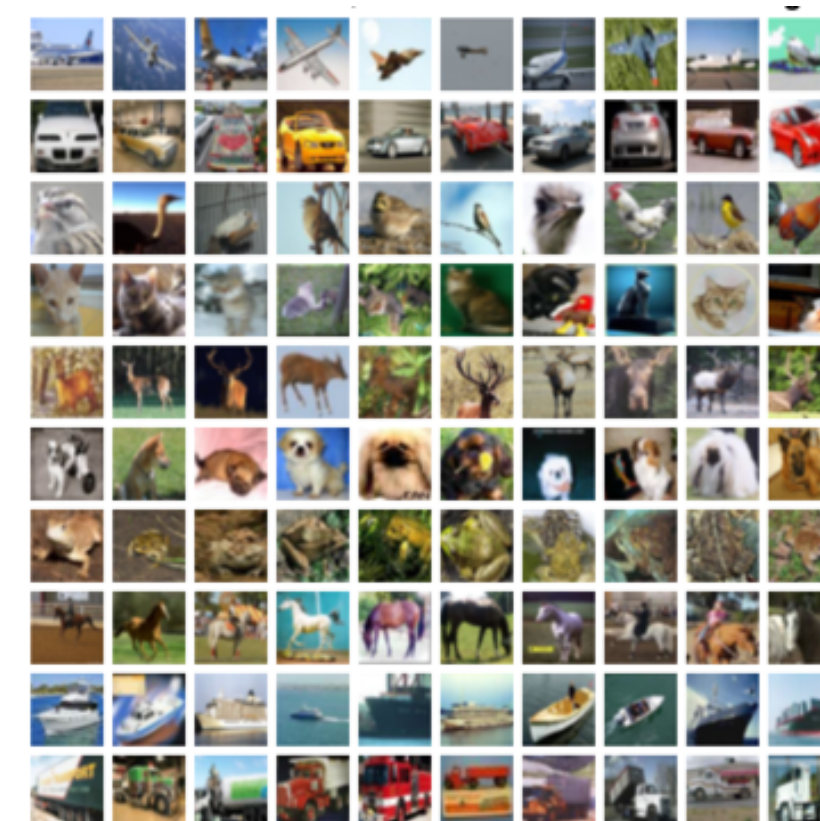
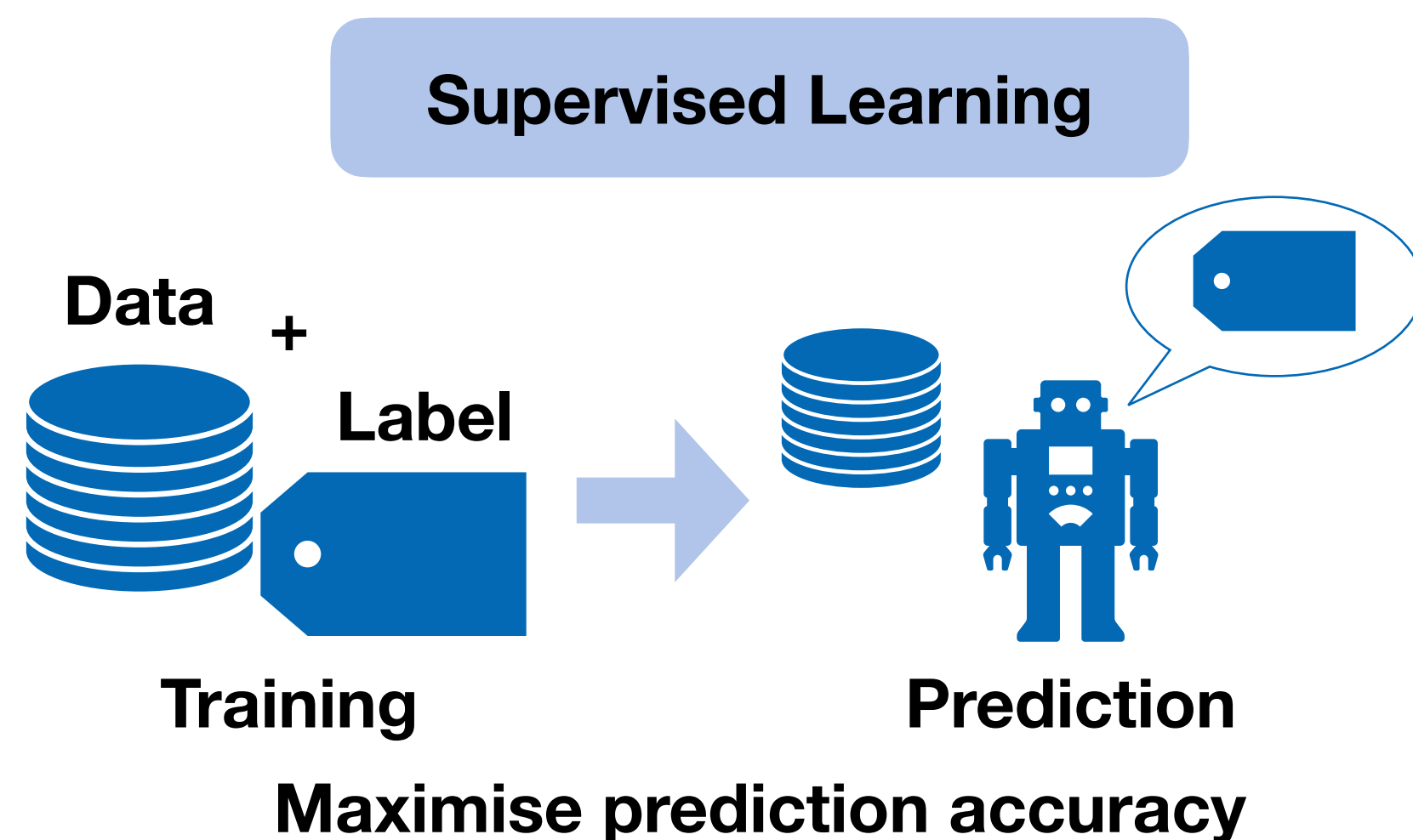


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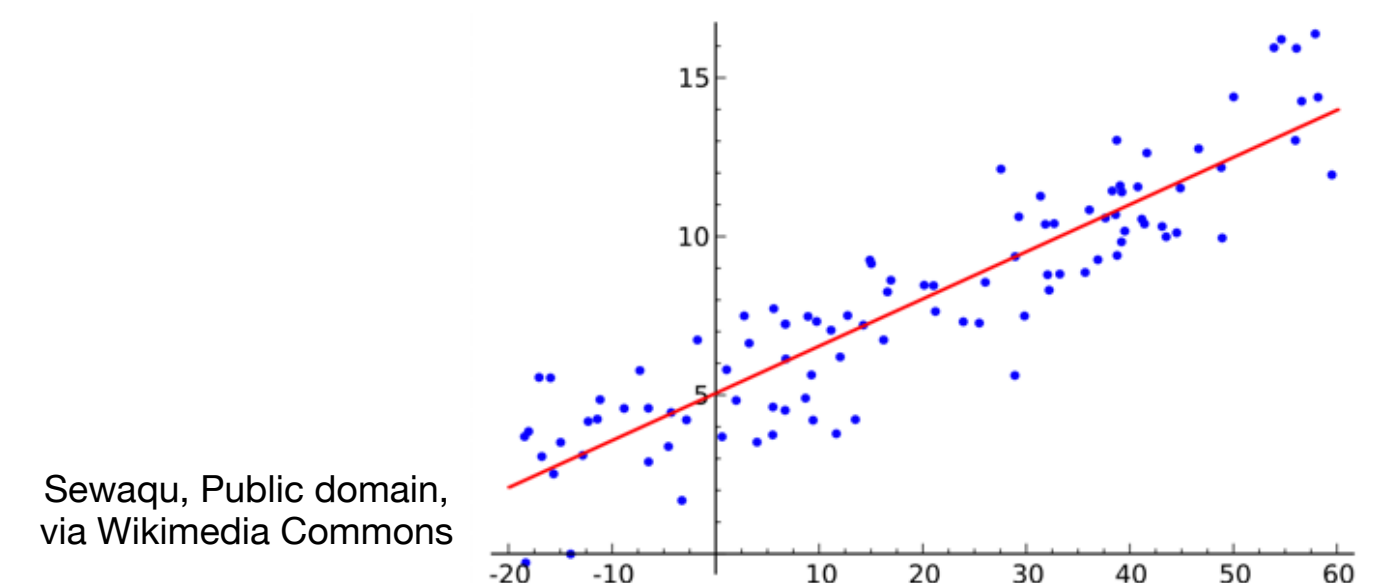
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<https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/cifar.html>



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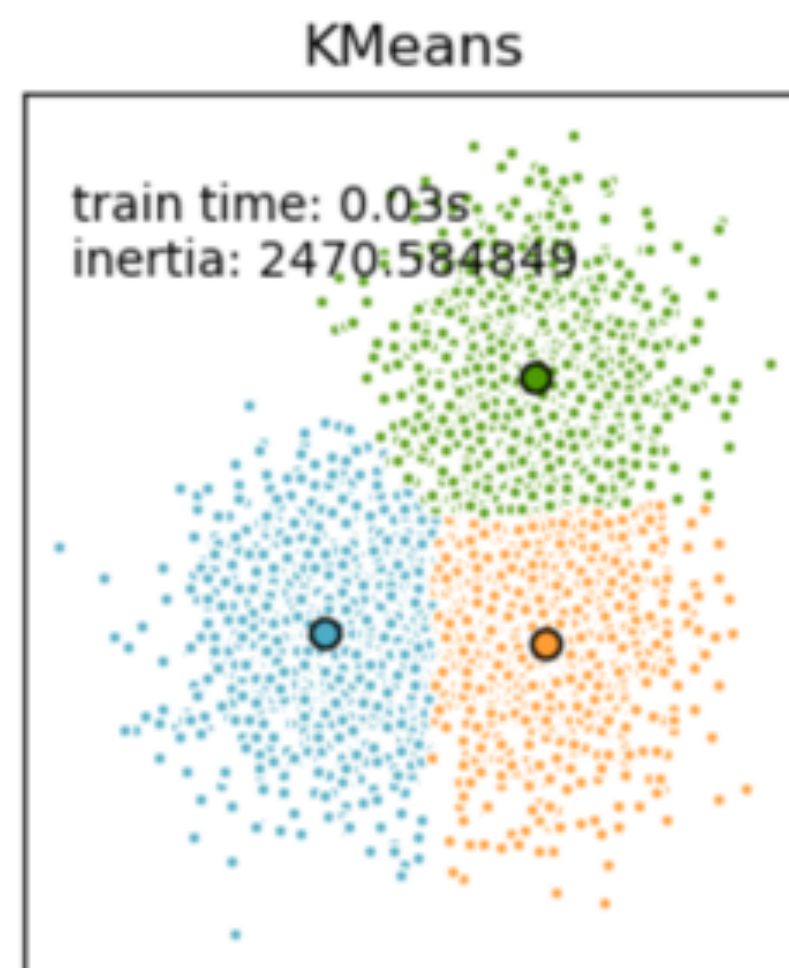


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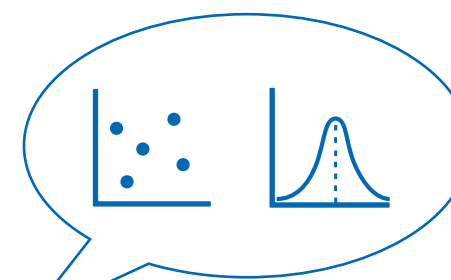
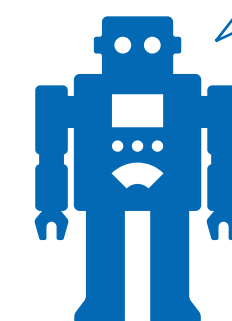
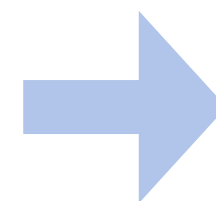
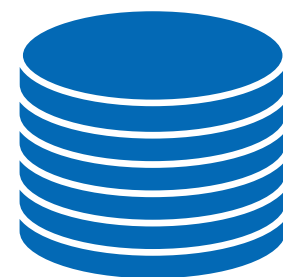
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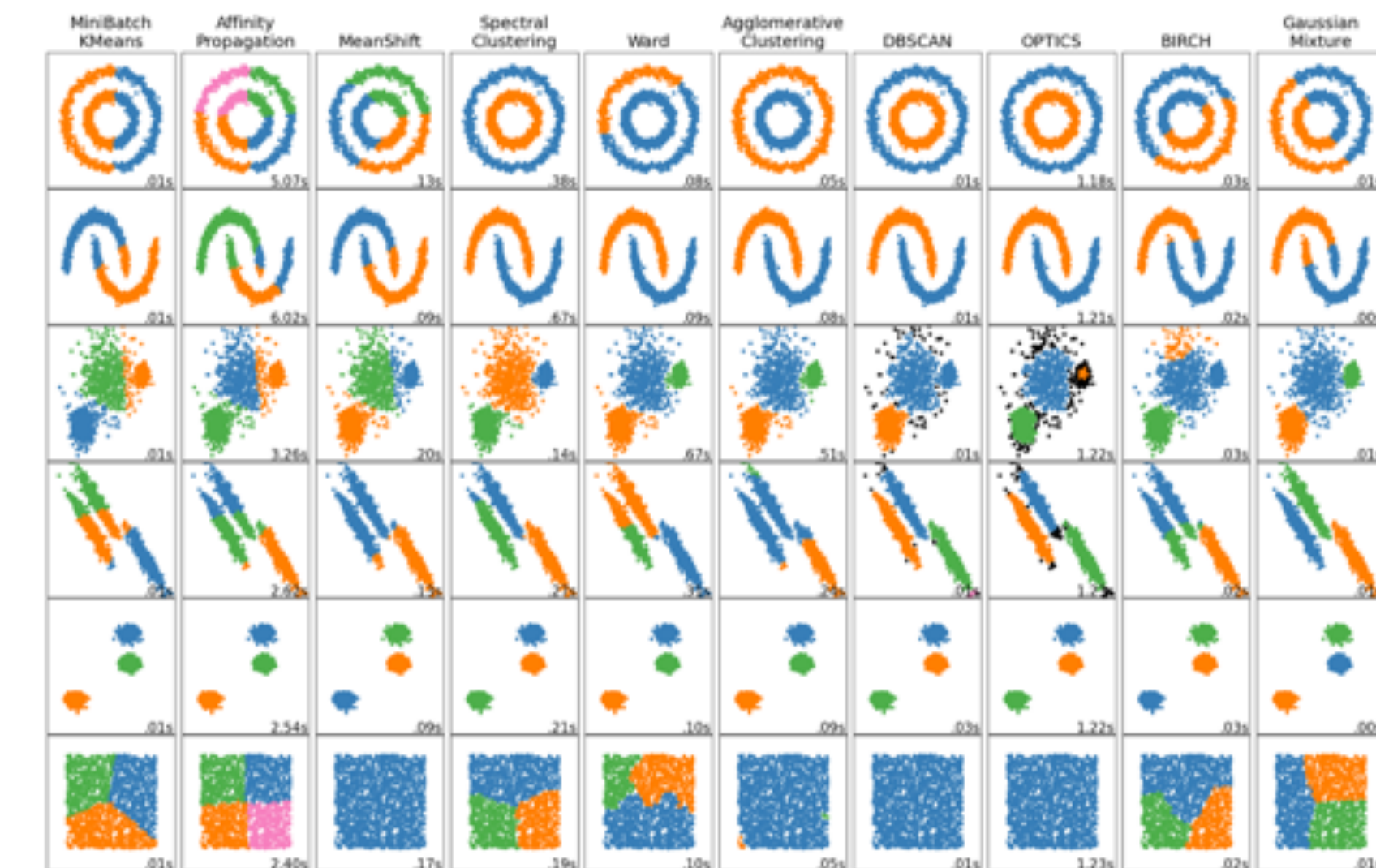
<https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/clustering.html#k-means>

Unsupervised Learning

Data



Find structure in (unlabelled) data



A comparison of the clustering algorithms in scikit-learn

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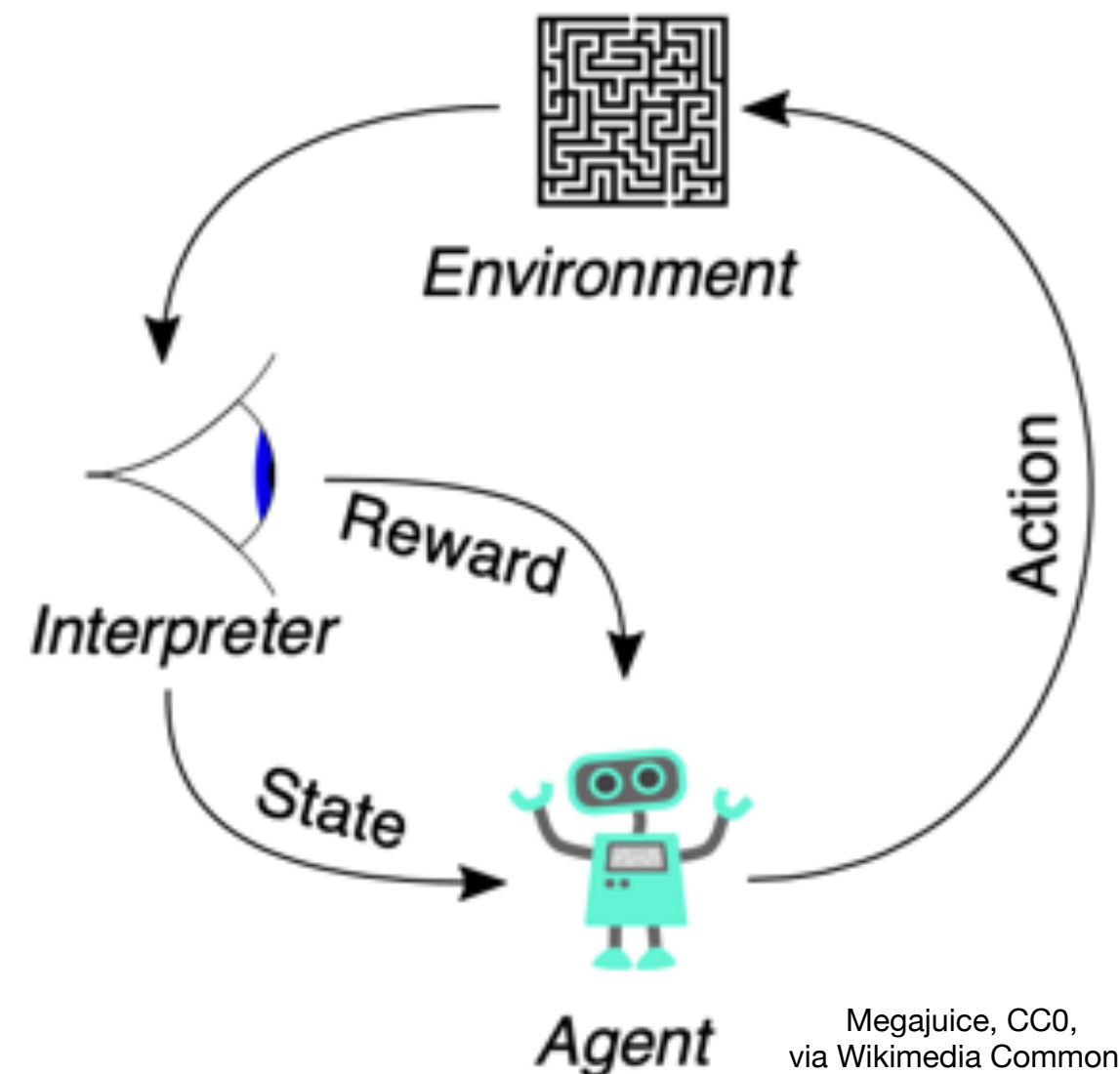
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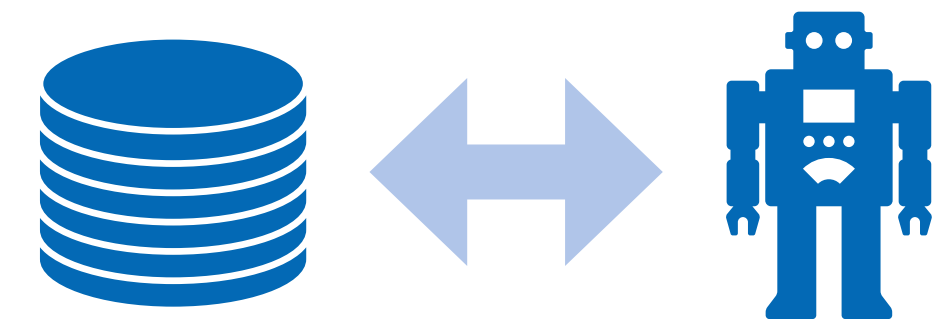


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**Reinforcement Learning**



**Act to maximise rewards**



# What is Deep Learning?

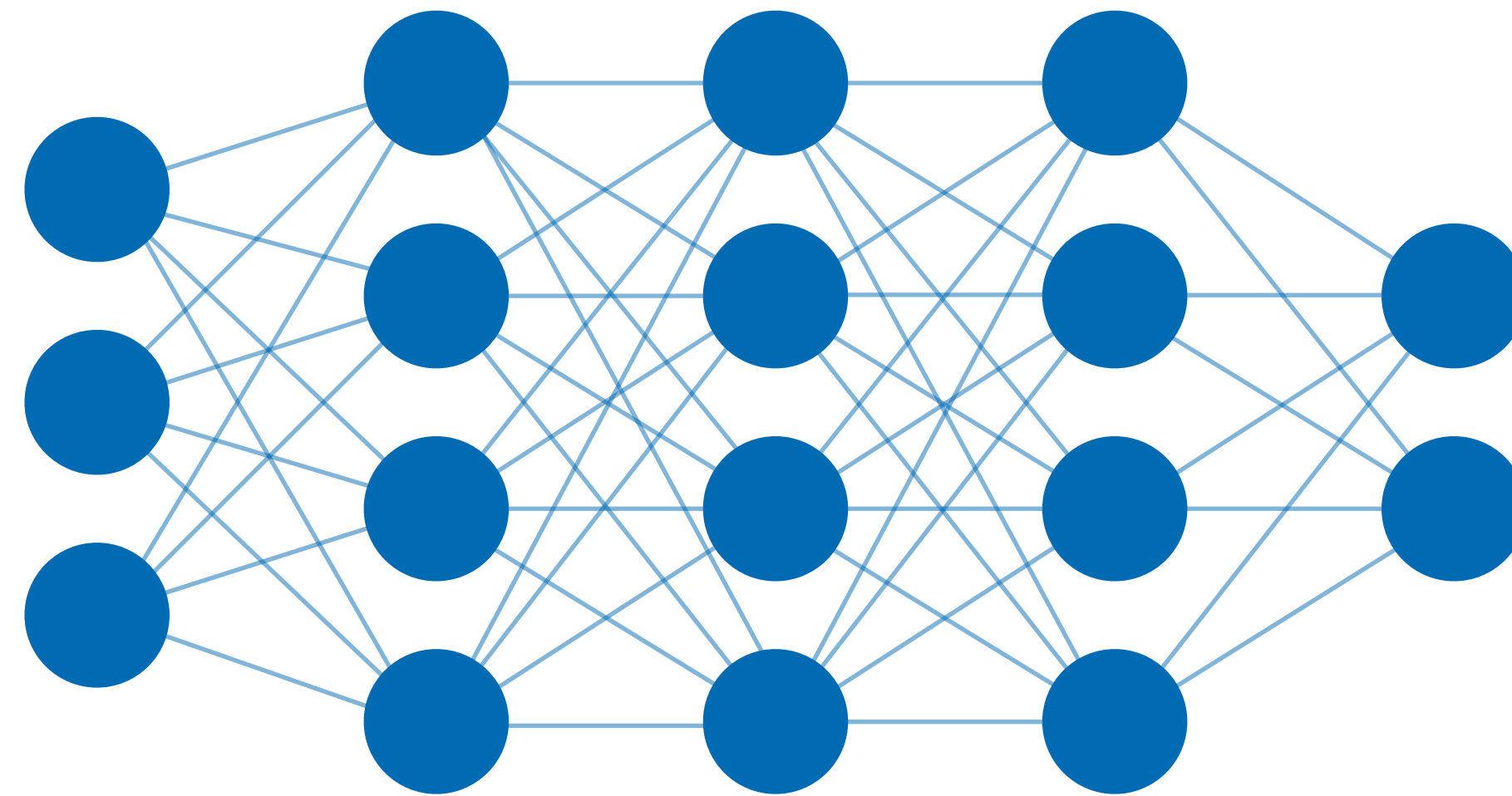
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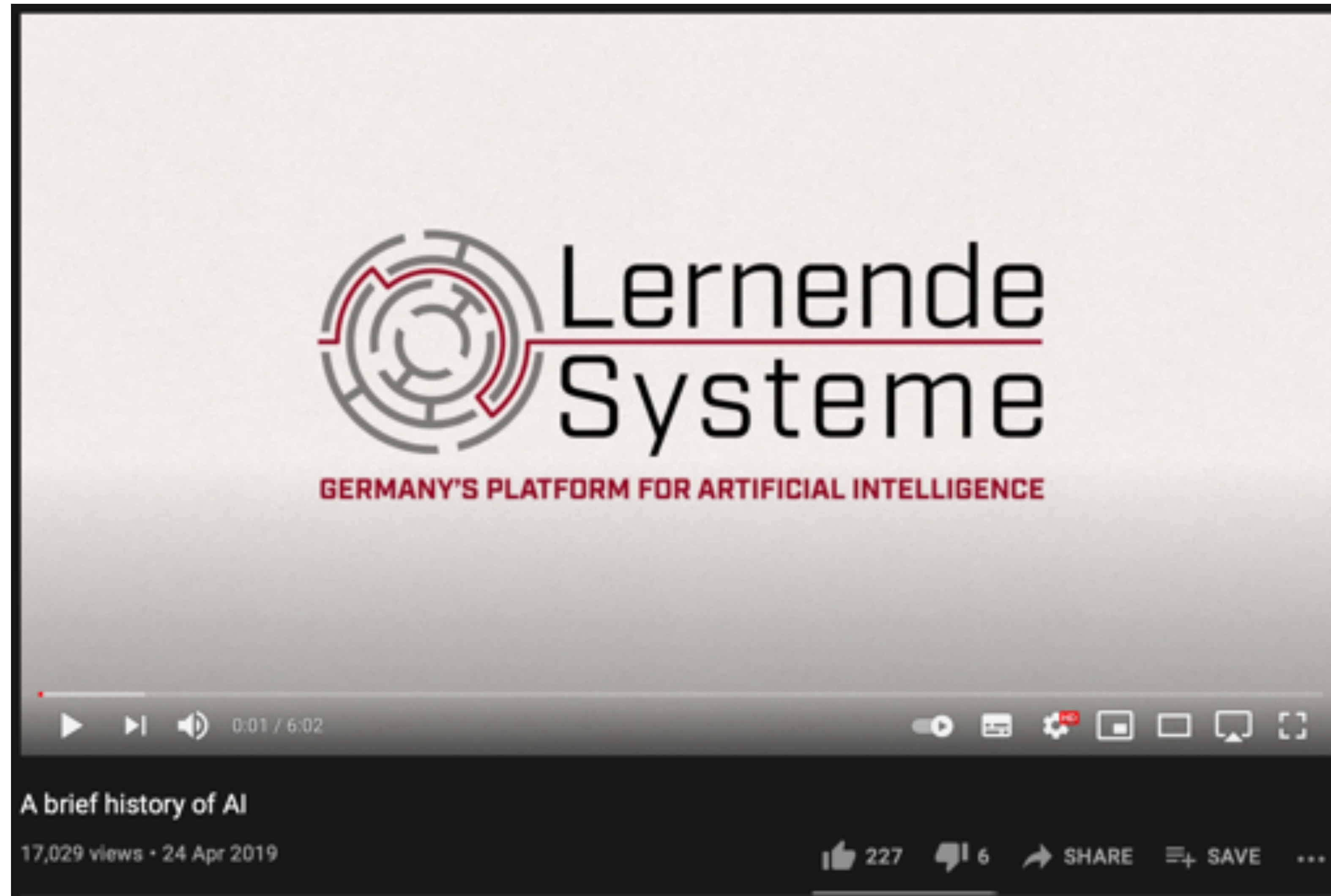
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# A Brief History of AI





# What AI can already do

**Recognise and analyse speech/language**



<https://commons.wikimedia.org/w/index.php?curid=47040540>

**Produce deep fakes**



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cQ54GDm1eL0>

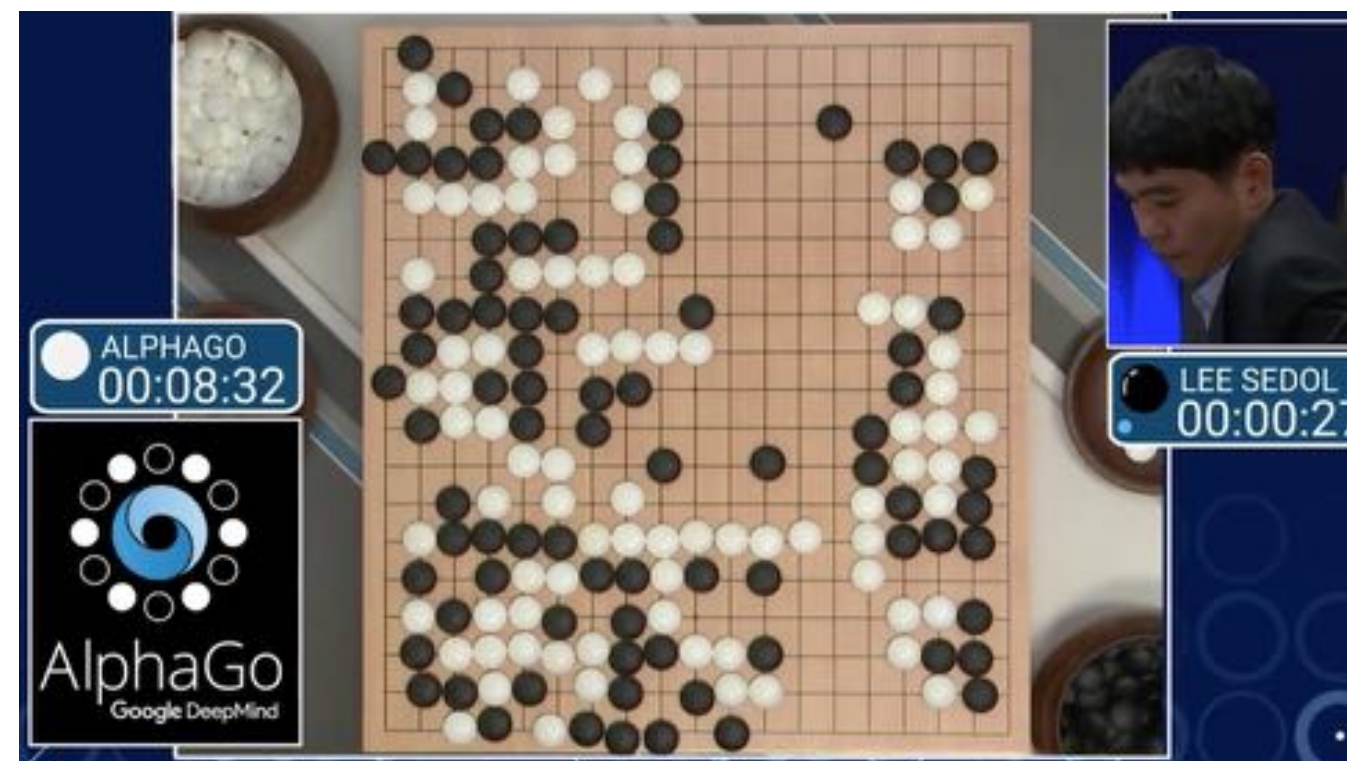
**Generate human faces**

Click on the person who is real.



<https://www.whichfaceisreal.com/index.php>

**Beat human opponents**



<https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-35785875>

**Transform photos into paintings**

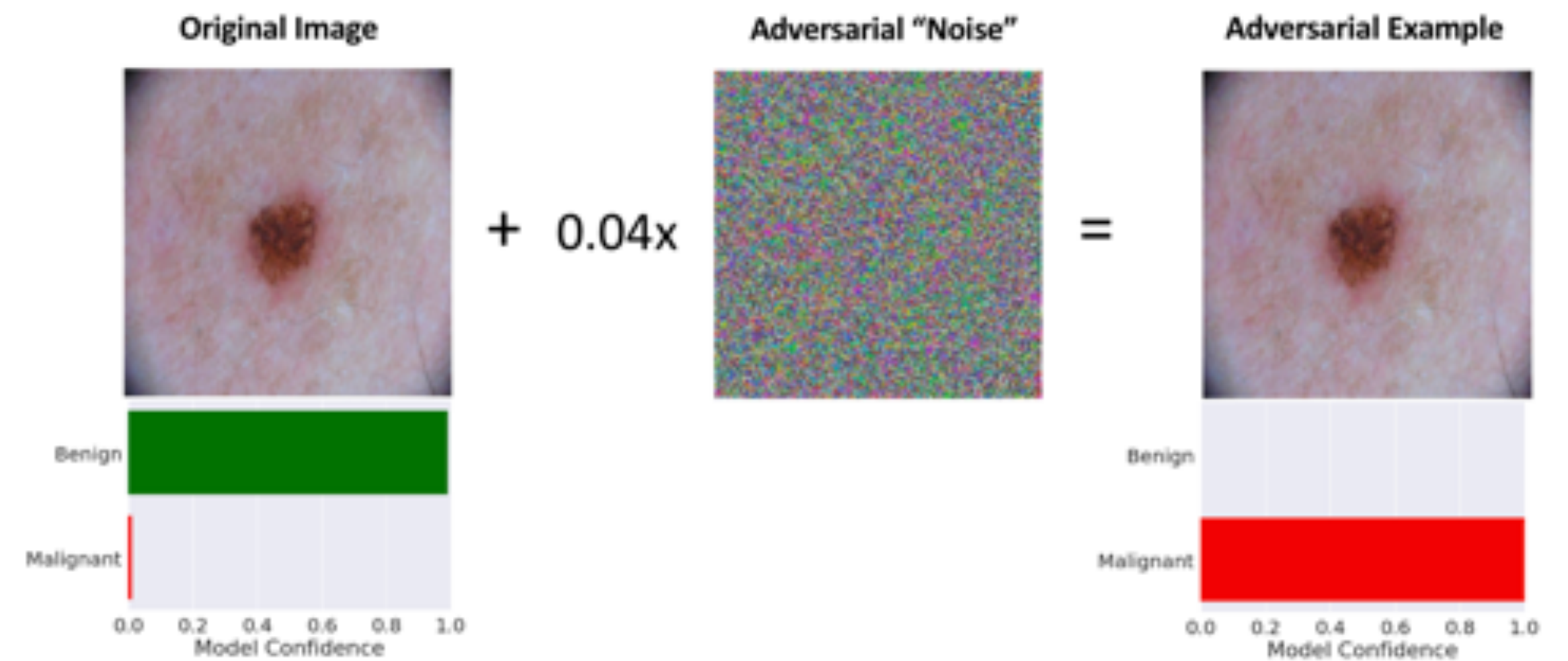
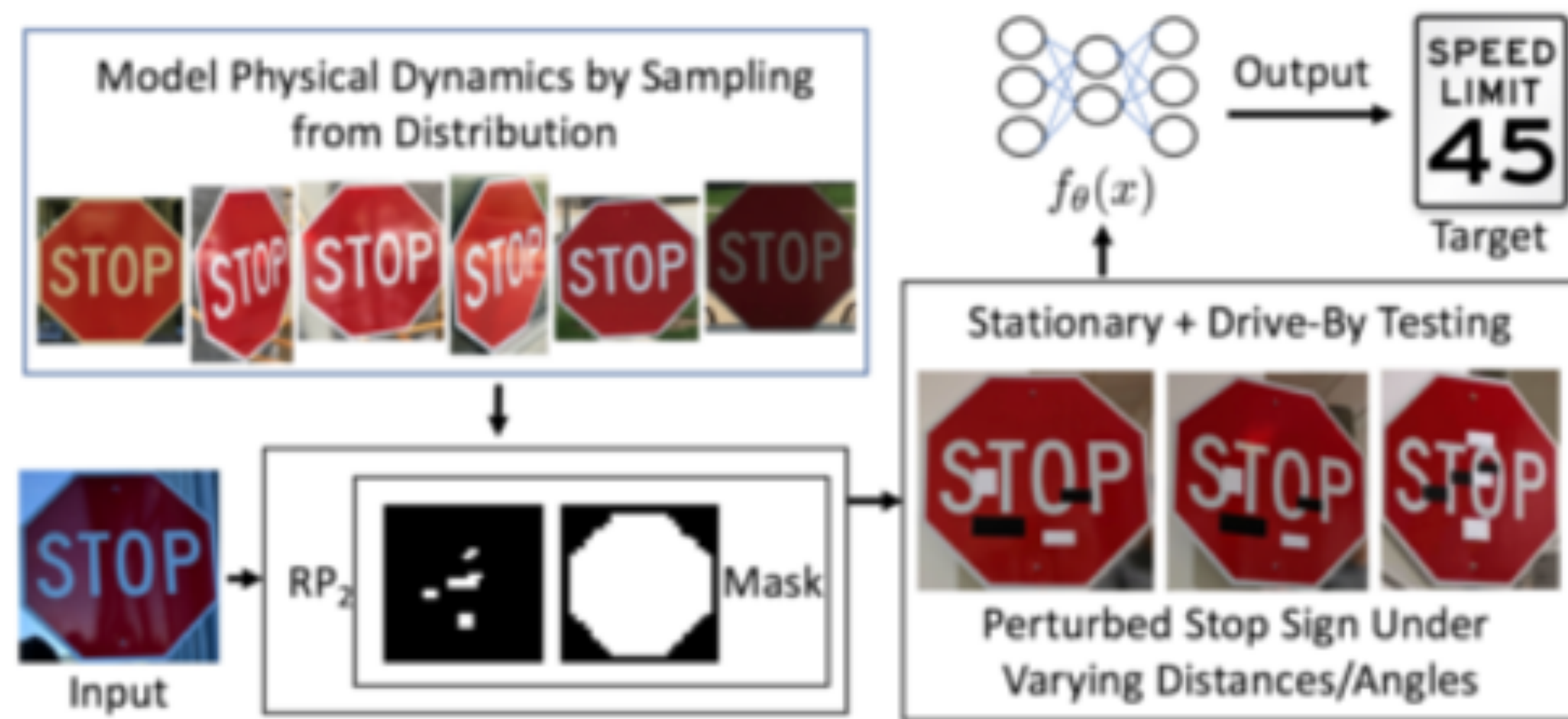


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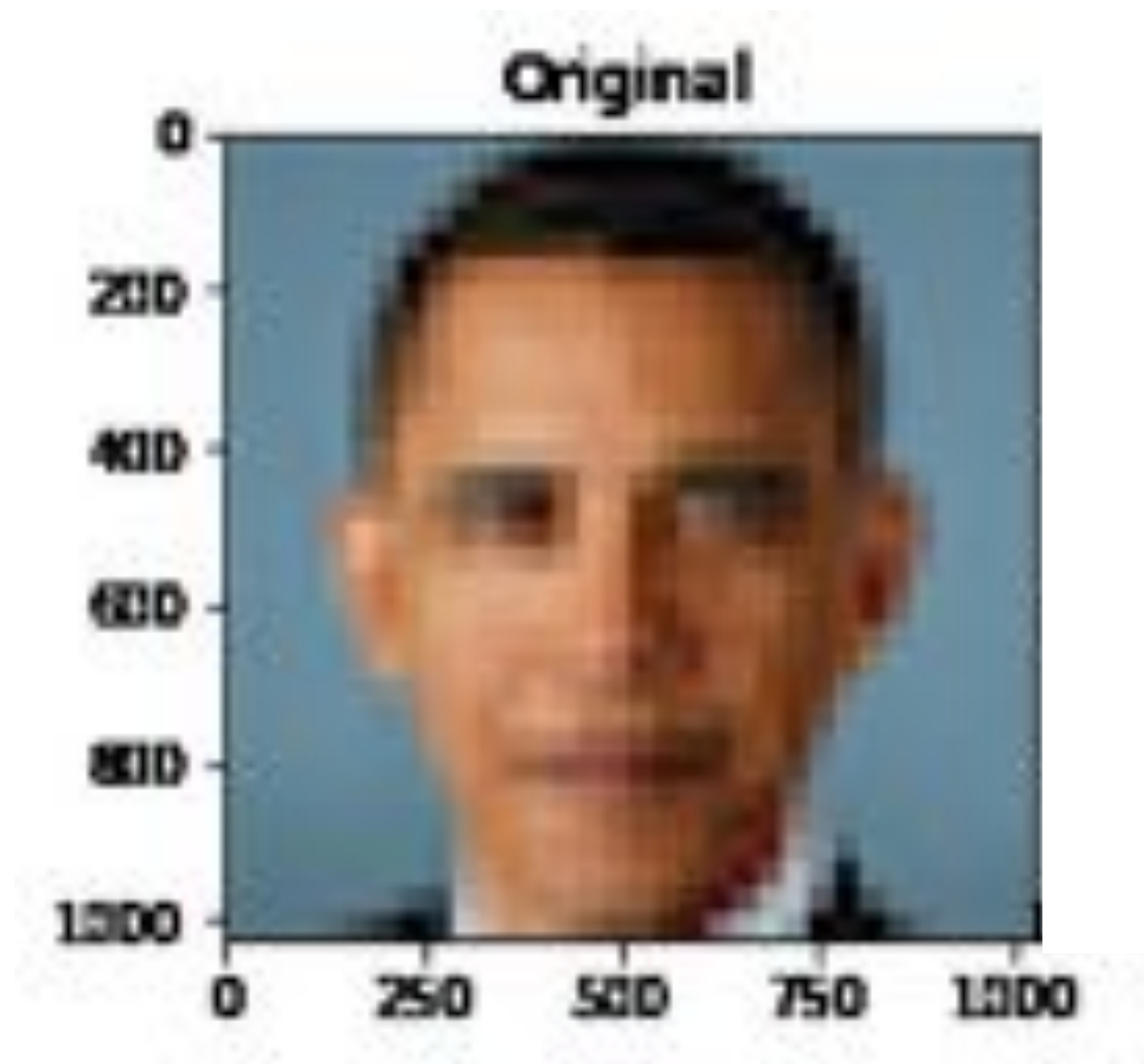


# Issues and ethical/legal problems

## Adversarial attacks



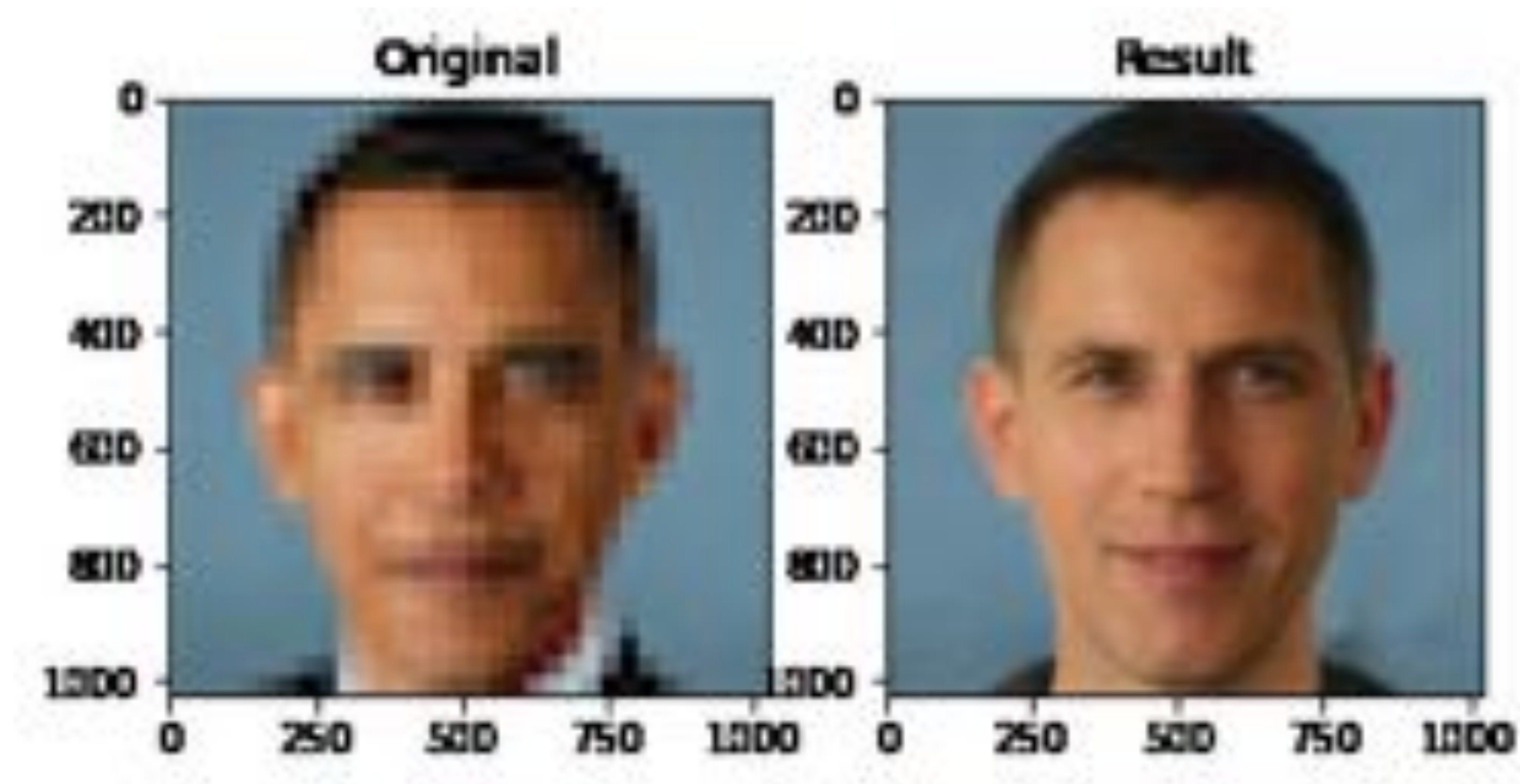
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Jul 1, 2015, 01:42pm EDT

## Google Photos Tags Two African-Americans As Gorillas Through Facial Recognition Software

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/mzhang/2015/07/01/google-photos-tags-two-african-americans-as-gorillas-through-facial-recognition-software/?sh=4b1fed4f713d>

## New AI can guess whether you're gay or straight from a photograph

**An algorithm deduced the sexuality of people on a dating site with up to 91% accuracy, raising tricky ethical questions**

<https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2017/sep/07/new-artificial-intelligence-can-tell-whether-youre-gay-or-straight-from-a-photograph>

## Are robots sexist? UN report shows gender bias in talking digital tech

<https://news.un.org/en/story/2019/05/1038691>



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Figure 2: Interrelationship of the seven requirements: all are of equal importance, support each other, and should be implemented and evaluated throughout the AI system's lifecycle

# Revision - Q&A in Webex



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1. Using general artificial intelligence, we can already surpass human intelligence.

A. True

B. False

2. What is the correct relation? (A<B means A is a subset of B in this case)

A. Deep Learning < Artificial Intelligence < Machine Learning

B. Machine Learning < Deep Learning < Artificial Intelligence

C. Deep Learning < Machine Learning < Artificial Intelligence

3. What is a broad definition of supervised machine learning?

A. An agent interacts with an environment so that specific rewards are maximised

B. Learning from input-output pairs to predict output from unseen input in an accurate manner

C. Deducing structures and patterns from given data

4. What is a broad definition of unsupervised machine learning?

A. An agent interacts with an environment so that specific rewards are maximised

B. Learning from input-output pairs to predict output from unseen input in an accurate manner

C. Deducing structures and patterns from given data

5. What is a broad definition of reinforcement learning?

A. An agent interacts with an environment so that specific rewards are maximised

B. Learning from input-output pairs to predict output from unseen input in an accurate manner

C. Deducing structures and patterns from given data

6. Who/What causes racist/homophobe/sexist outcomes? (multiple answers possible)

A. The programmers

B. The users/applicants (domain experts)

C. The algorithms

D. Data bias

7. Deep Learning is a very recent research direction that has been established in the last decade.

A. True

B. False



# BREAK



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# Jupyter Notebook Session

<https://wiki.hhu.de/display/HPC/Wissenschaftliches+Hochleistungs-Rechnen+am+ZIM>

<https://wiki.hhu.de/display/HPC/Jupyter>

<https://jupyter.hpc.rz.uni-duesseldorf.de/hub/>

# Homework

**Think of one example where AI or more particularly machine learning is applied in your research area that you find particularly interesting and useful for your doctoral research.**

**What type of data is needed in this case?**

**What kind of AI models are used?**