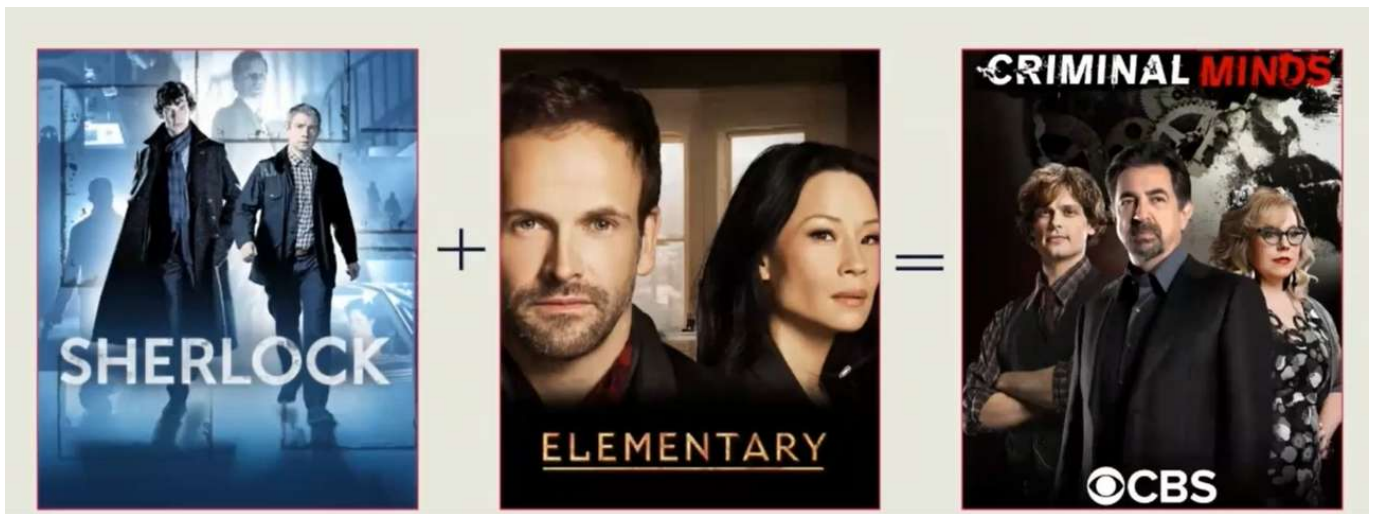


Learning

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Netflix has adapted personalization algorithms in such a way that now 75% of what people watch is from some sort of recommendation.



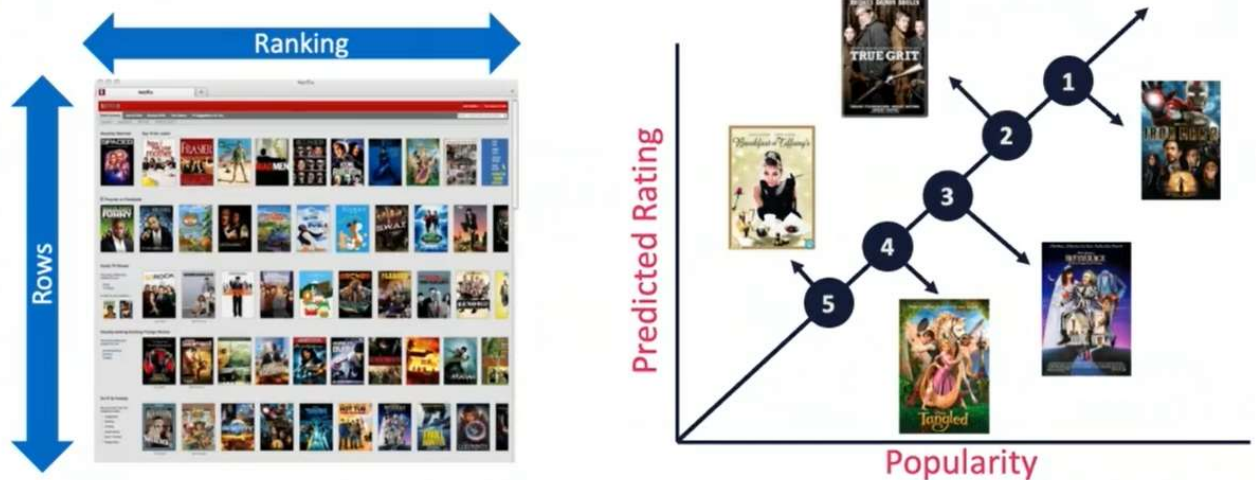
The Top 10 rows of Netflix are their best guess at the ten titles you are most likely to enjoy. The recommendations are not only meant for the user, but also everyone in the user's household.

In Netflix, the poster of a movie recommendation changes based on a **user's tastes and preferences**.



A user who likes genre "Romance" will most likely watch Good Will Hunting with the lead actors featured in the poster; whereas a user who likes genre "Comedy", will most likely watch Good Will Hunting if a well-known comedy actor is featured in the poster.

A simple scoring approach for the ranking function could be a linear combination of popularity and predicted rating



Usually, recommendation engines consist of a **utility matrix**, which is a probability model that places a score on the relationship between a user and a movie type in order to predict their preferences.

| | Comedy | Horror | Romance | Action |
|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|
| User 1 | X | ✓ | ? | ? |
| User 2 | ? | X | ? | ✓ |
| User 3 | ? | ✓ | ✓ | ? |

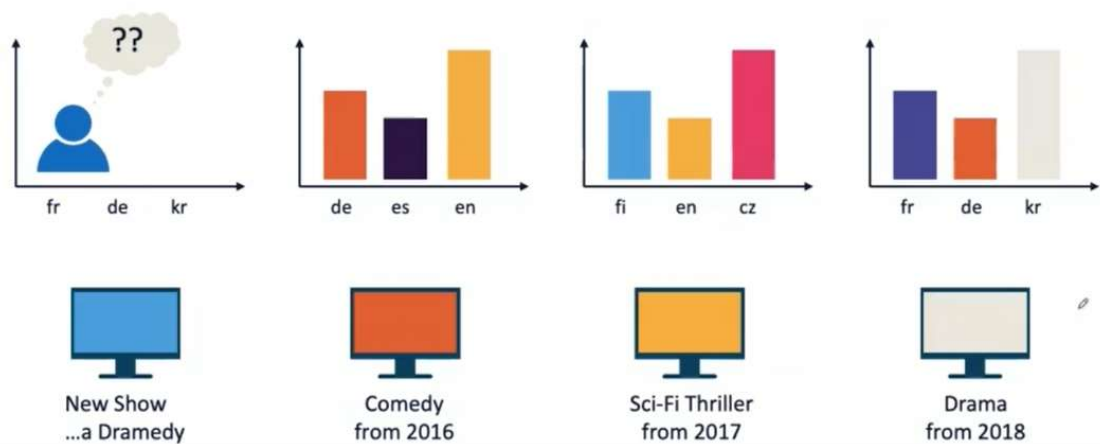
U_1 U_2

According to this matrix:

- User 1 would be given the recommendation of horror movies
- User 2 would be given the recommendation of lighter films with comedy and drama
- User 3 would be given the recommendation of more niche content like romantic thrillers

GLOBALLY?

Netflix predicts the per-language consumption for each show k months before it is released using historical viewing trends.



DATA!

WHAT IS DATA?



Sequence of bits

Excel, CSV, DB, etc

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| 8 | 4 | 9 |
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Nagios
Log Server™

Semi-structured data



Unstructured data



Graph data

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Approach 1



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Graph data

AI

Approach 2

Database, Excel, CSV

Log Files,

Video, Audio, Images, Text

TYPES OF DATA

AI

"Structured"

Quantitative

a. Discrete



Two horses

b. Continuous



Height

Qualitative

a. Nominal



Male



Female

b. Ordinal

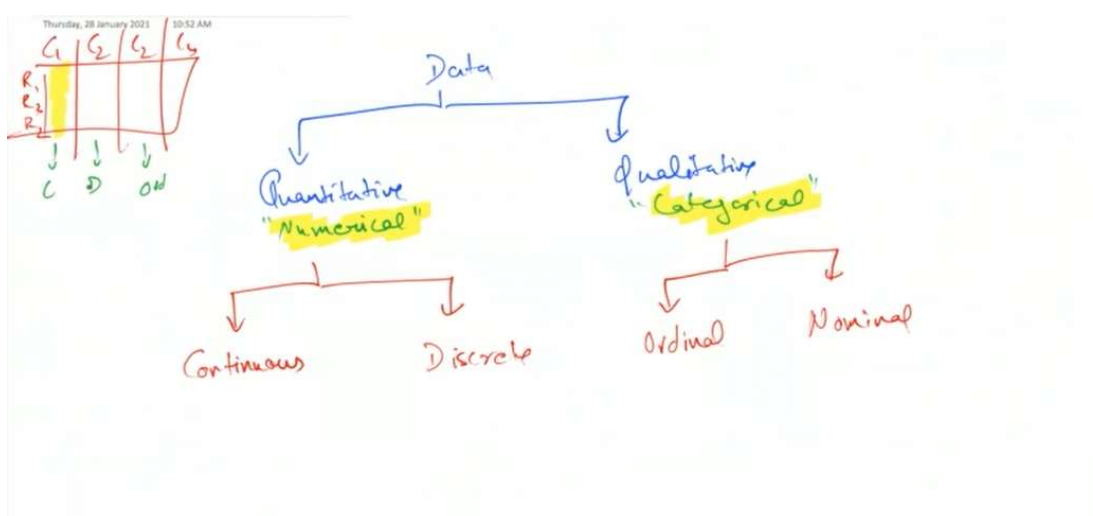
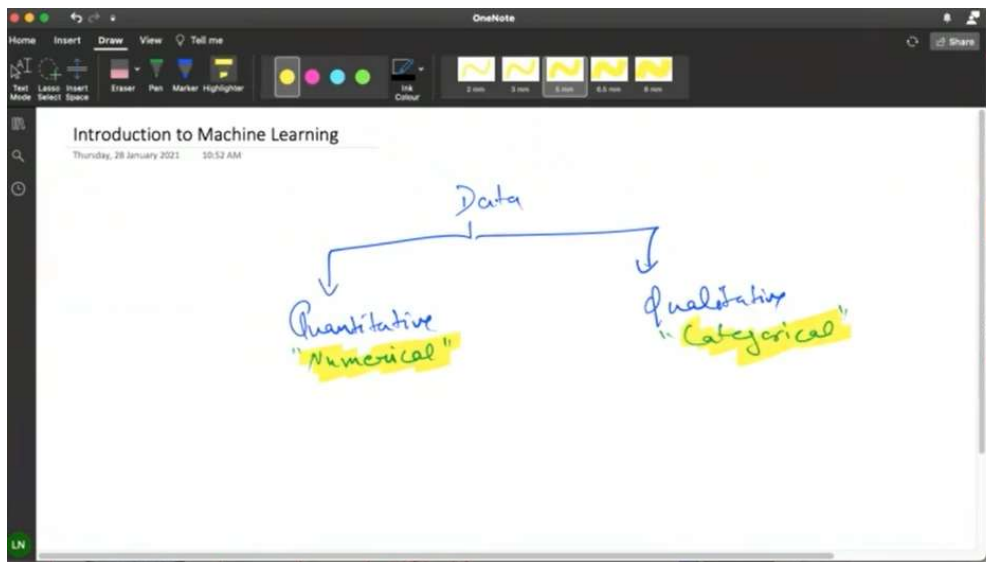


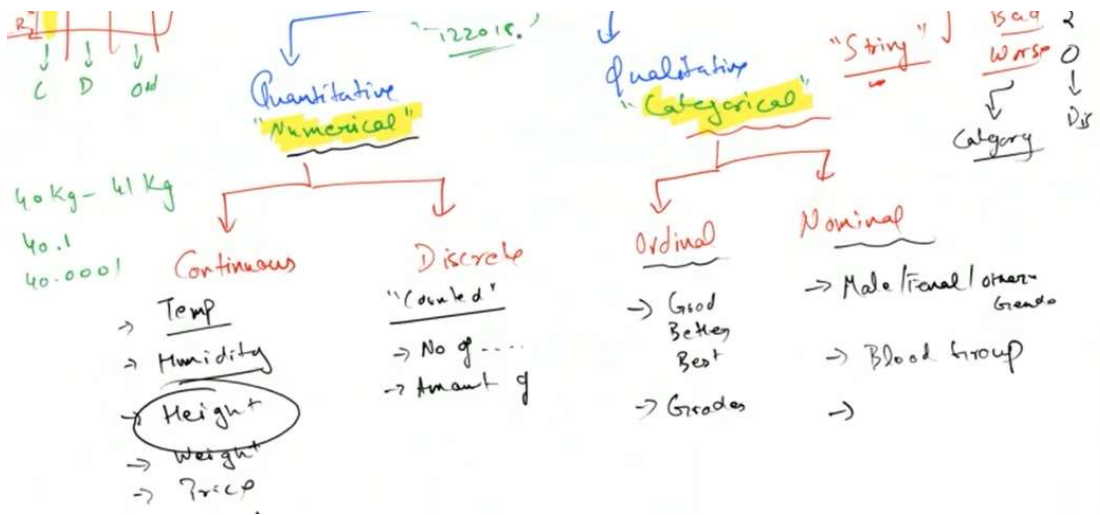
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Ratio





DATA SCIENCE, MACHINE LEARNING, DEEP LEARNING!

WHAT IS AI, ML, & DL?

Artificial Intelligence

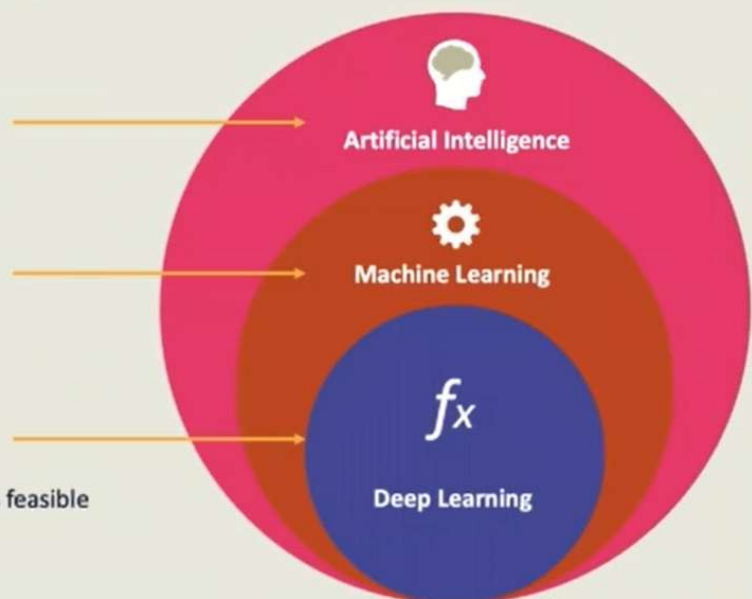
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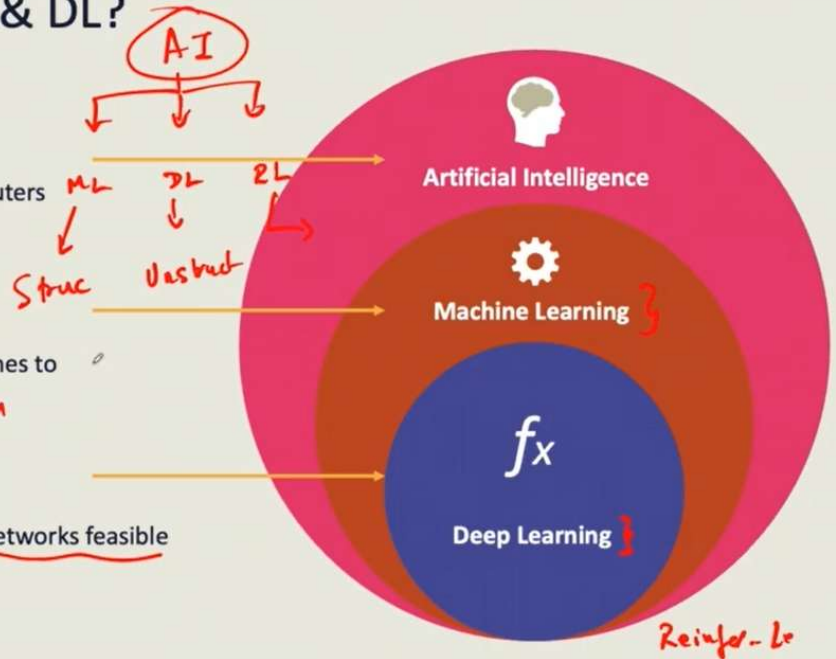
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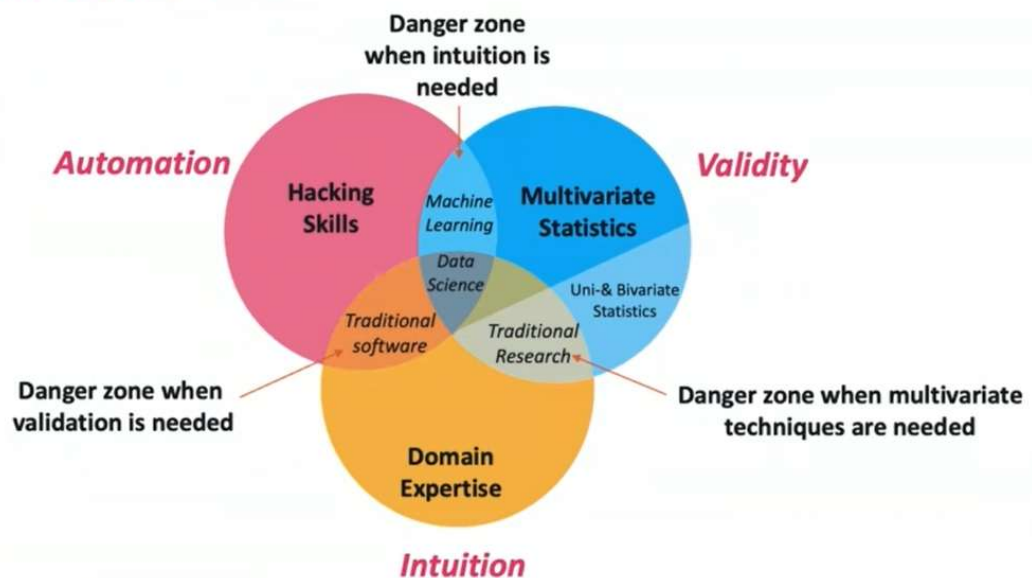
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Analytics/BI



Shows **WHAT** has happened

Data Science(EDA)



Shows **WHY** it happened

Machine Learning



Shows **HOW** we can predict & automate decision making systems

WHAT IS DATA SCIENCE?

Dashboards

Analytics/BI



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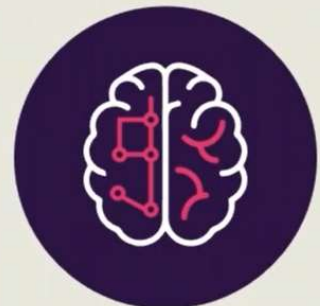
"Sherlock"

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WHO IS DATA SCIENTIST?



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Follow

Data Scientist (n.): Person who is better at statistics than any software engineer and better at software engineering than any statistician.

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Responsibilities...

ON DAILY BASIS

Develop, construct, test, and maintain architectures (such as databases and large-scale processing systems)



Ensure architecture will support the requirements of the business



Discover opportunities for **data acquisition**



Develop data set processes for data modeling, mining and production



Employ a variety of languages and tools (e.g. scripting languages) to **marry systems together**



Conduct research to **answer industry and business questions**



Leverage large volumes of data from internal and external sources to answer that business



Employ sophisticated analytics programs, machine learning and statistical methods to **prepare data for use in predictive and prescriptive modeling**



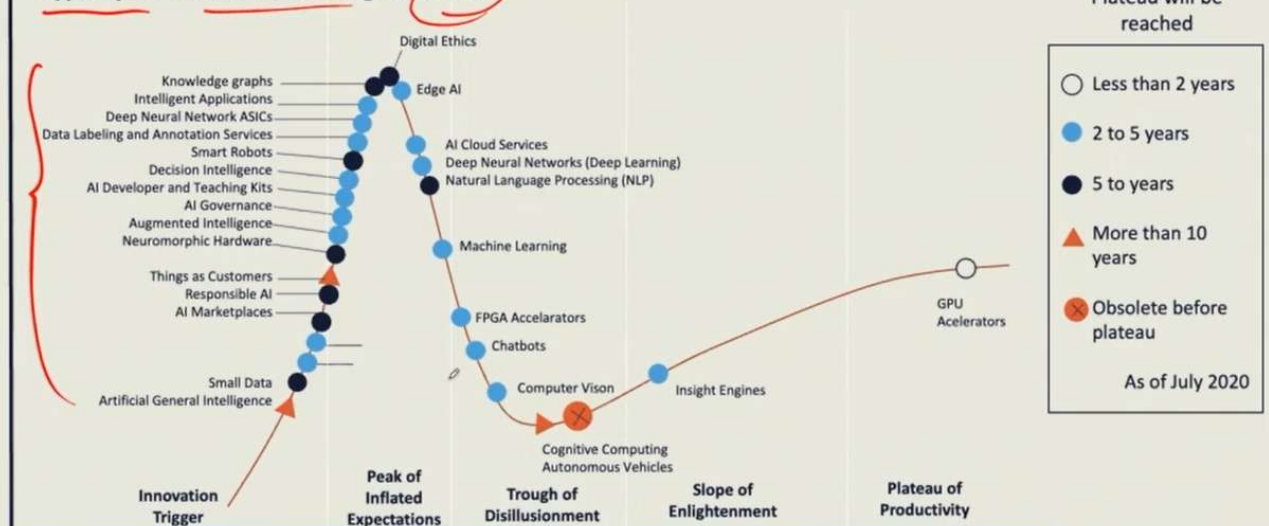
Explore and examine data to **find hidden patterns**



Automate work through the use of predictive and prescriptive modeling

DATA SCIENCE : HYPE OR REALITY?

Hype Cycle for Artificial Intelligence, 2020



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VARIOUS PROBLEMS DATA SCIENCE CAN SOLVE!

PROBLEMS THAT DATA SCIENTISTS SOLVE

ML
↳ set of Algor

✓
✓
✓

- Is this A or B? → specific Algorithm
- Is this weird?
- How much or how many?
- How is this organized?
- What should I do now?

↳ Problem

PROBLEMS THAT DATA SCIENTISTS SOLVE

IS THIS A or B?

CLASSIFICATION



Classification
Data Type
↓
Cats

WILL THIS APPLICANT BE ABLE TO REPAY THE LOAN?

IDENTIFY A HUMAN & A DOG?

