

What am I building?
What is the goal?



Responsible AI: Human-Centered Design



Course 1

Fundamentals of TinyML

- **What am I building?**
- Who am I building this for?
- What are the consequences for the user if it fails?

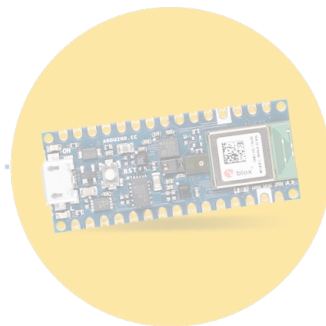
Course 2

Applications of TinyML



Course 3

Deploying TinyML



“ Machine intelligence is the
last invention that humanity
will ever need to make ”

Nick Bostrom

Philosopher, University of Oxford

AI is not *always* the best
solution!

What am I building?

Traditional
Programming



Machine
Learning

Which one **should** we choose?

Traditional Programming

Pros

- Quicker to build
- Easier to explain
- Easier to debug
- Easier to maintain
- More consistent/stable



```
if (speed < 4) {  
    status = WALKING;  
}
```

Cons

- Does not scale
- Does not adapt to changes
- Does not work for complex tasks

Machine Learning

Pros

- Complex problems
- Scale
- Adaptable
- Personalization
- Improves over time



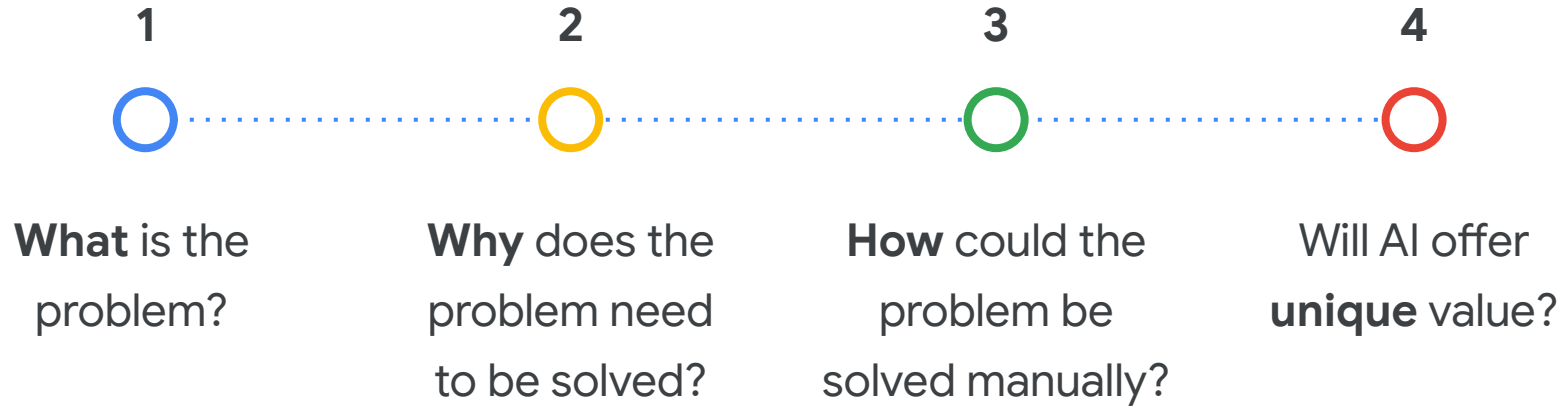
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Label = **WALKING**

Cons

- Slower to build
- Harder to explain/interpret
- Harder to debug

What is the goal?



Case Study: Diabetic Retinopathy



What is the problem?



Why does the problem need to be solved?



How could the problem be solved manually?



Will AI offer **unique** value?

Early identification of DR progression from color fundus photographs

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DR is reaching epidemic proportions, and if people were able to access earlier diagnosis this would allow for intervention and prevention of further DR progression

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Collect data from retina specialists or trained graders, write rules based on presence of hemorrhages and microaneurysms

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Machine learning can improve predictions about the progression of DR for individual patients and identify patterns in images that were previously unrecognized by experts

Defining goals for positive social impact

AI for Social Good

Using artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) to help address the world's most pressing challenges

How can we design AI for social good?



There are **17 goals** on the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable development, for example:

- Ending poverty and world hunger
- Improving health and education
- Reducing inequality and injustice

Challenges facing AI4SG

- Learning from **limited data**
- Geographical **imbalances**
- **Biased** data
- Learning with **limited** memory and computation



Window of Opportunity with **TinyML**

- Learning with limited memory and computation
- Battery-operated
- On-device computing
- Low latency
- Low cost
- Small size

