

# Deep Learning

## Lecture 1: Introduction to DL

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CEG5304/EE6934

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[https://docs.google.com/document/d/159iXlH0E\\_acPCtPe6FHb5Er3NkOTqn6lhx74BT\\_XCpU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/159iXlH0E_acPCtPe6FHb5Er3NkOTqn6lhx74BT_XCpU/edit?usp=sharing)

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*COS 495 Introduction to Deep Learning, Princeton University*

*EE 2211 Introduction to Machine Learning, NTU*

*11-785 Introduction to Deep Learning, Carnegie Mellon University*

*MIT 6.S191 Introduction to Deep Learning, MIT*

*C19 Machine Learning, Oxford*

*CS276 Information Retrieval & Web Search , Stanford University*

*CS213N Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition, Stanford University*

*CS294-129 Designing, Visualizing & Understanding Deep Neural Networks, UC Berkeley*

*CS498 Introduction to Deep Learning, UIUC*

*CSC321 Introduction to Neural Networks & Machine Learning, University of Toronto*

*CS 898: Deep Learning and Its Applications*

*Introduction to Neural Networks & Deep Learning, UVA*

*etc.*

# Module Learning Outcomes

Achieve an understanding of basic **deep learning methods**;  
particularly **Deep Convolutional Neural Network** models;

Be informed of recent progress within the deep learning field;

Able to design, build and implement deep learning models;

Apply deep learning methods to solve practical problems in areas  
such as image processing, natural language processing and  
computer vision.

# Pre-requisites

- EE5907 Pattern Recognition
- Proficiency in Python, high-level familiarity with C/C++
  - assignments will be in Python with some deep learning libraries in C++.
- Calculus, Linear Algebra
- Probability Theory & Statistics

# Textbook and materials

- Deep Learning:

<http://www.deeplearningbook.org/>

**PYTHON** is a **general-purpose programming language** which becomes a powerful environment for scientific work with several libraries: numpy, scipy, matplotlib.

**PYTHON** is almost like pseudocode and allows expression of powerful ideas in very few lines of code.

- Other software frameworks: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Caffe, Torch, Marvin, ...

## Some Python Resources

**Installing scikit-learn** (Ref: [Book2] Andreas C. Muller and Sarah Guido, “Introduction to Machine Learning with Python: A Guide for Data Scientists”, O’Reilly Media, Inc., 2017)

scikit-learn depends on two other Python packages, NumPy and SciPy. For plotting and interactive development, you should also install matplotlib, IPython, and the Jupyter Notebook. We recommend using the following prepackaged Python distributions, which provides the necessary packages:

### Anaconda

A Python distribution made for large-scale data processing, predictive analytics, and scientific computing. Anaconda comes with NumPy, SciPy, matplotlib, pandas, IPython, Jupyter Notebook, and scikit-learn.

Available on Mac OS, Windows, and Linux, it is a very convenient solution and is the one we suggest for people without an existing installation of the scientific Python packages. Anaconda now also includes the commercial Intel MKL library for free. Using MKL (which is done automatically when Anaconda is installed) can give significant speed improvements for many algorithms in scikit-learn.

### Some tutorials that might be useful:

A quickstart tutorial on NumPy: <https://numpy.org/devdocs/user/quickstart.html>

Some community tutorials on Pandas: [https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/getting\\_started/tutorials.html](https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/getting_started/tutorials.html)

Scikit-learn tutorials: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/tutorial/index.html>

# **Code of Conduct.**

Students are encouraged to **actively participate**.

Your grade depends on what you do, not what others do..

Don't share your solutions/codes... what you submit should be your own work..

## **Academic Integrity:**

Student's academic work & behavior are held to highest academic integrity standards. Cheating, plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, and 'helping others commit these acts' are examples of academic misconduct, which can result in disciplinary action.

**Any violation to academic honesty will be reported to the University's disciplinary panel.**

# Topics (PART I- Dr. Joey Zhou)

**Week 1: Introduction:** History of Deep Learning. Machine Learning Settings.

**Week 2: Machine Learning Basics:** Data representation. Linear Regression/Classification. K-NN. SVM.

**Week 3: Machine Learning Basics II:** Linear Regression/Classification, SVM, Nonlinear Classification, Overfitting, Regularization, Hyperparameters.

**Week 5: Fully Connected Neural Networks:** Learning Visual Features. Training Neural Networks. Loss Optimization, Gradient Descent. Regularization..

**Week 6: Autoencoder & CNN :** Variants of Autoencoder CNN Pipeline. Adversarial examples/training.

**Reading Week: Why Deep? Why Small?:** Deeper vs wider? Model Compression for DNN.

# Topics (PART II- Dr. Robby Tan)

**Week 8: Advanced CNN Models:** Case study of AlexNet, ResNet, modern MLP, etc.

**Week 9: Deep generative models:** Introduction to generative probabilistic models and variational Bayesian. Variational auto-encoder models and their application generative adversarial networks and their application.

**Week 10: Recurrent neural networks and Transformer:** RNN, Transformer, image captioning.

**Week 11: Deep reinforcement learning:** Markov decision process. Deep reinforcement learning, policy optimization techniques application of deep RL.

**Week 12: Bayesian Neural Networks:** Bayesian deep learning, applications

**Week 13: Few Shot Learning And Imbalanced Classes:** few shot, imbalanced classes, out of distribution, etc.

**Week 14: Review**

# Grading

- CEG5304
- Projects #1: 25%
- Projects #2: 25%
- Projects #3&4: 50% (Robby)
- EE6934
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- Projects #2: 25%
- Projects #3 and Essay: 50% (Robby)

Project #1 (10 Jan 2023 – 29 Jan 2023 6pm )

Project #2 (31 Jan 2023 – 6 Mar 2023 6pm )

Project #3 (TBD)

Project #4/Essay (TBD)

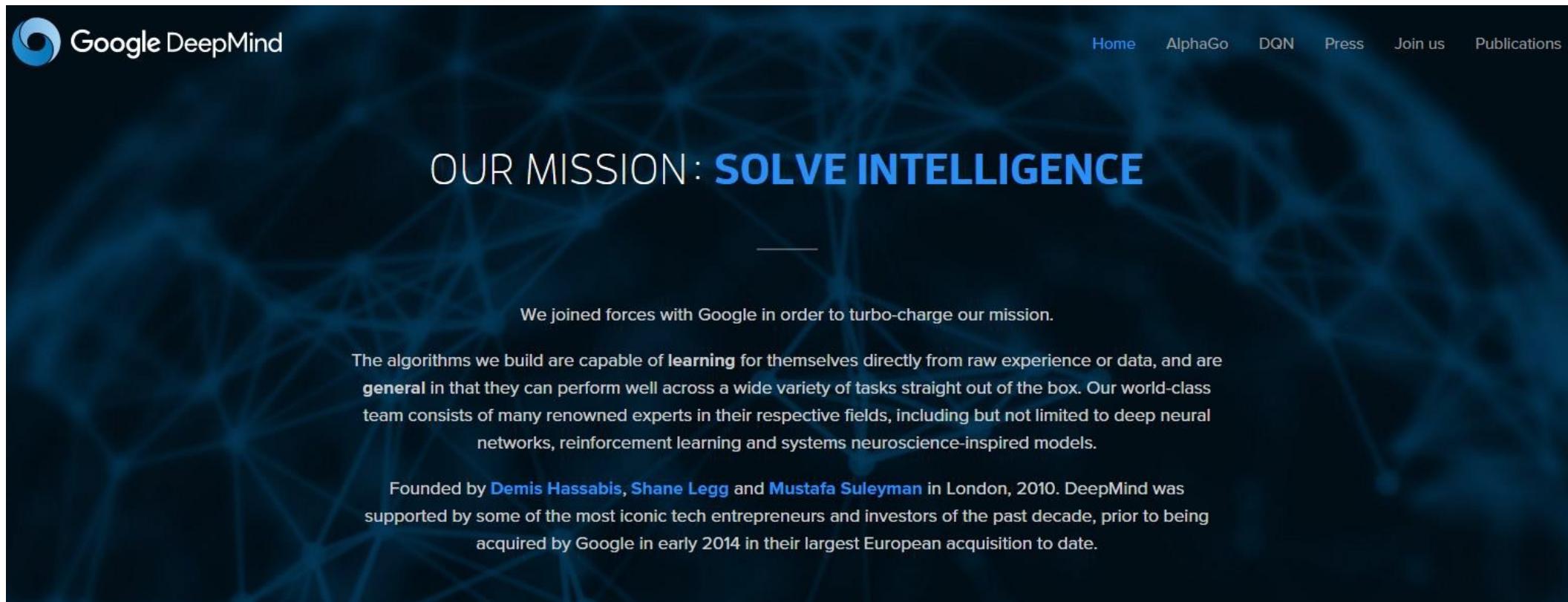
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# What is deep learning?

- Let us review this concept from industry side first.

# Industry

- Google



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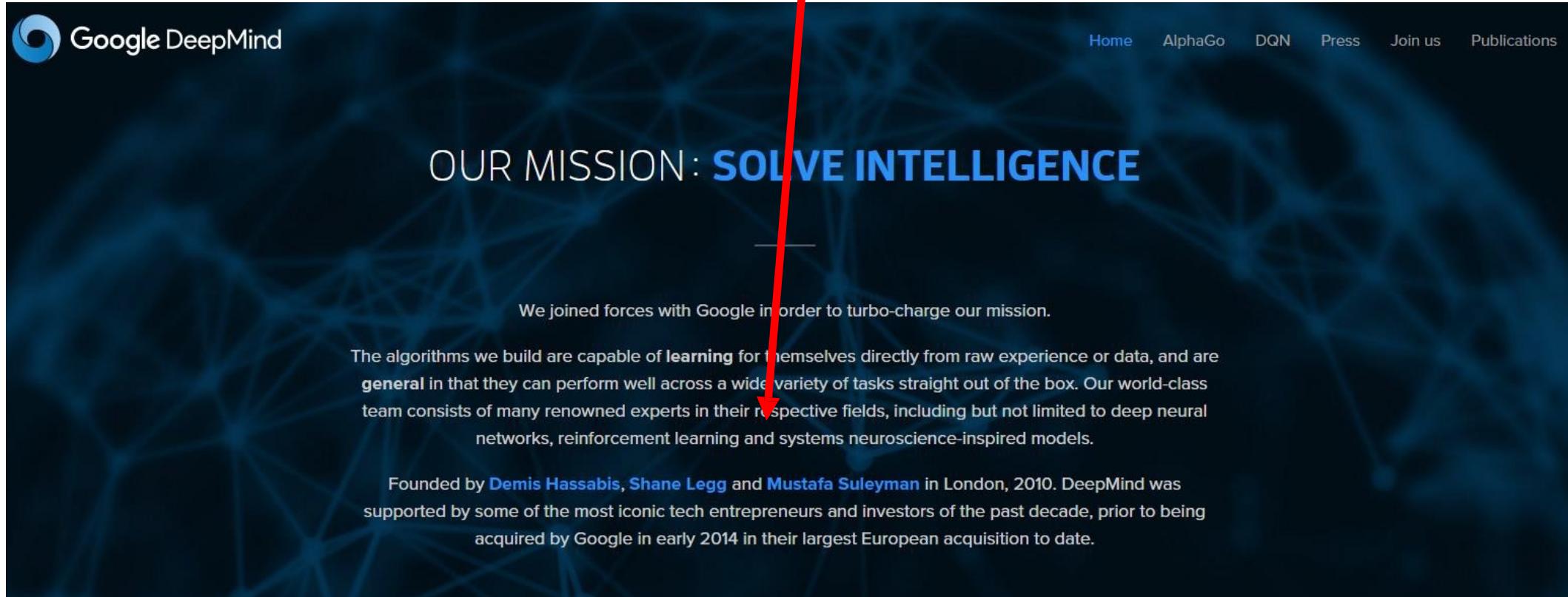
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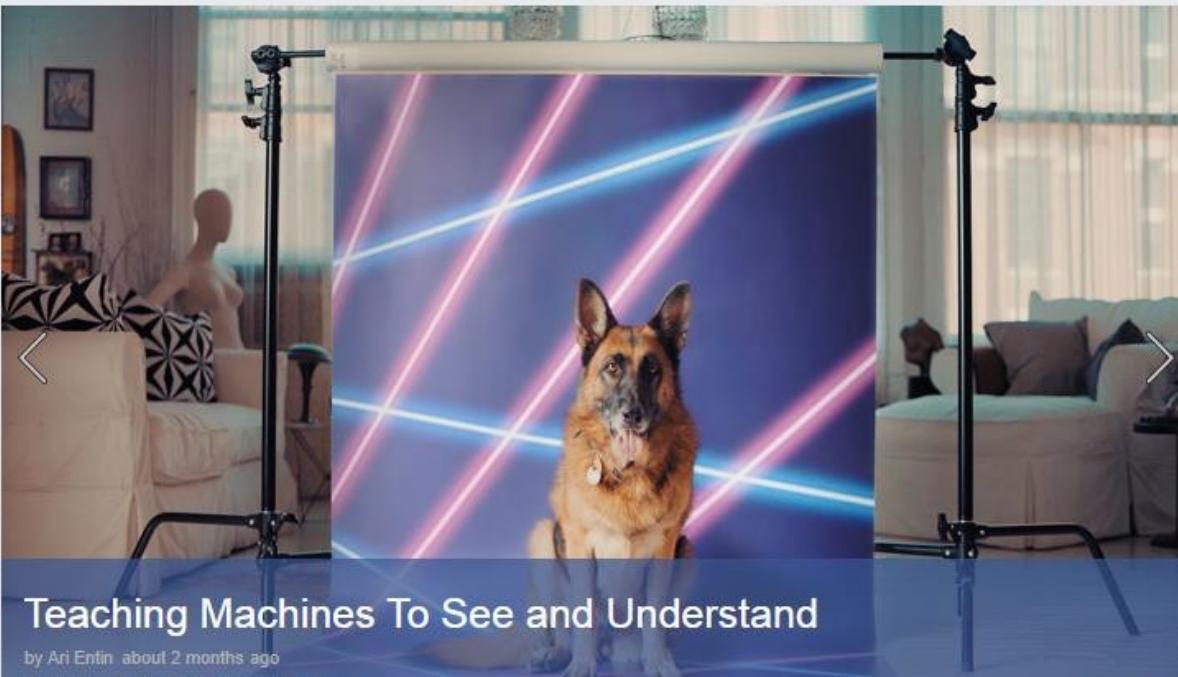
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# Industry

- Facebook

## Facebook AI Research (FAIR)

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**Teaching Machines To See and Understand**  
by Ari Entin about 2 months ago  
Facebook AI Research (FAIR)

**Highlights**

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by Ari Entin about 2 months ago  
Blog post

**Simple bag-of-words baseline for visual question answering**  
by Bolei Zhou, Yuandong Tian, Sainbayar Sukhbaatar, Arthur Szlam, Rob Fergus about 2 months ago  
Publication

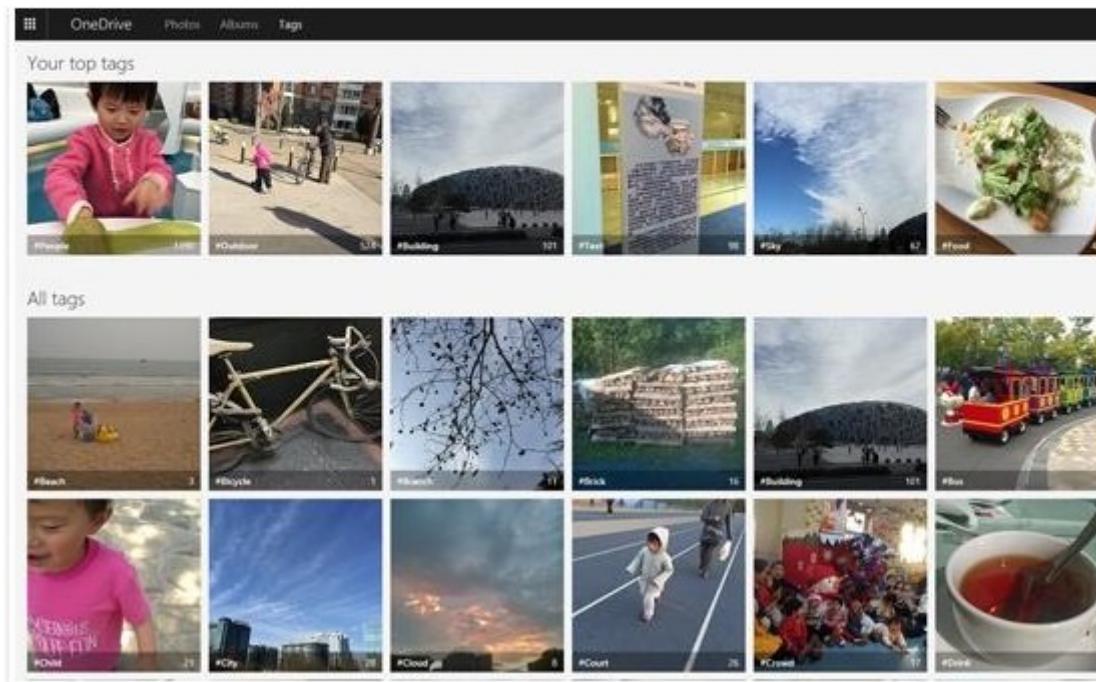
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Publication

**MazeBase: A Sandbox for Learning from Games**  
by Sainbayar Sukhbaatar, Arthur Szlam, Gabriel Synnaeve, Soumith Chintala, Rob Fergus about 2

# Industry

- Microsoft

Microsoft Researchers' Algorithm Sets ImageNet Challenge Milestone



# Industry

- Elon Musk



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Announcing formation of @open\_ai ...  
[openai.com/blog/introduci...](http://openai.com/blog/introduci...)

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[openai.com](http://openai.com)

**Forbes** / Tech

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## Elon Musk And Peter Thiel Launch OpenAI, A Non-Profit Artificial Intelligence Research Company

# Industry

SEARCH

The New York Times

TECHNOLOGY

- Toyota

## *Toyota Invests \$1 Billion in Artificial Intelligence*

By JOHN MARKOFF NOV. 6, 2015



Gill Pratt, a roboticist who will oversee Toyota's new research laboratory in the United States, at a news conference Friday in Tokyo. Yuya Shino/Reuters

## AI job titles with the highest salaries

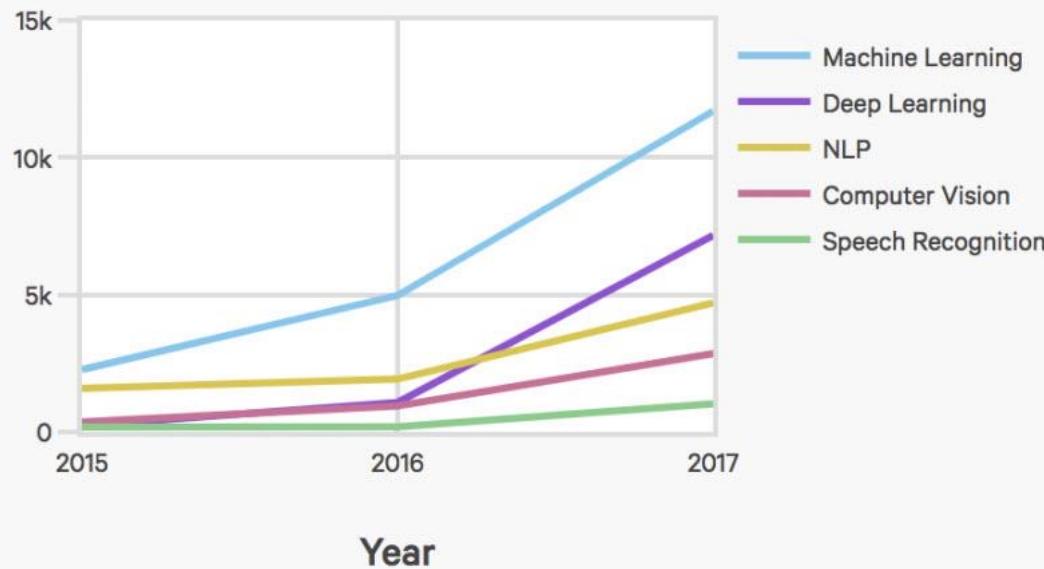
# Industry

## Salary in Company



### Job Openings, Skills Breakdown (Monster.com)

Job Listings



Source: Monster.com

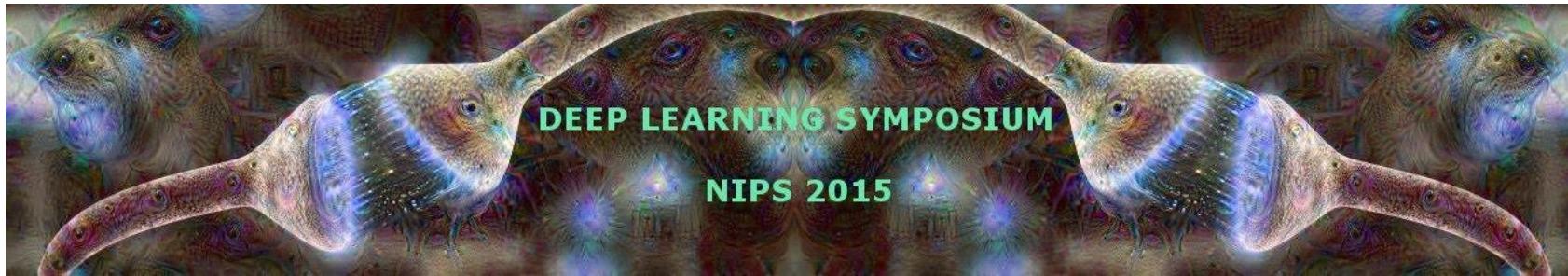
AIINDEX.ORG

Rank	Job title	Average salary
1.	Machine learning engineer	\$142,858.57
2.	Data scientist	\$126,927.41
3.	Computer vision engineer	\$126,399.81
4.	Data warehouse architect	\$126,008.25
5.	Algorithm engineer	\$109,313.51

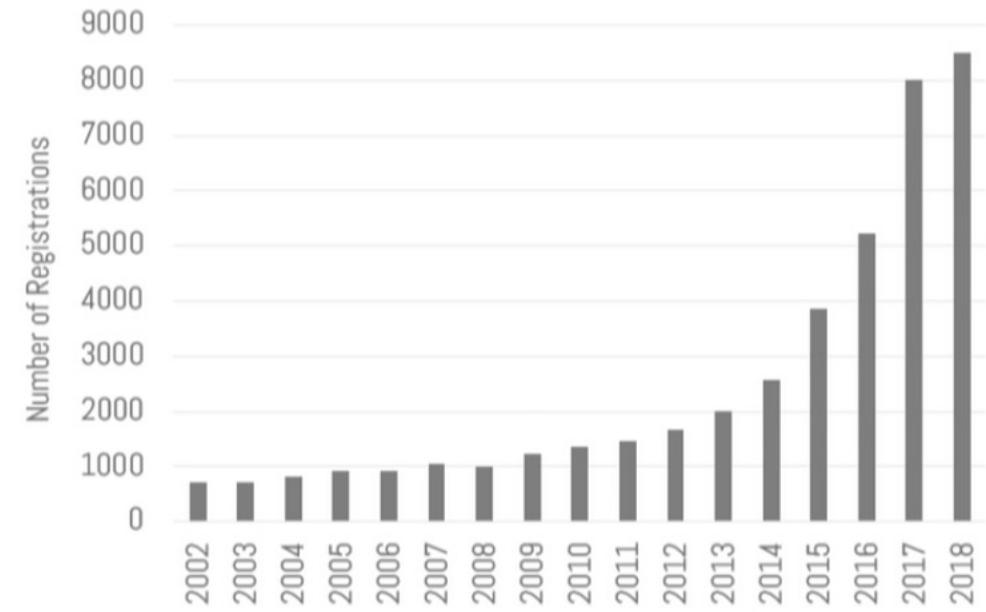
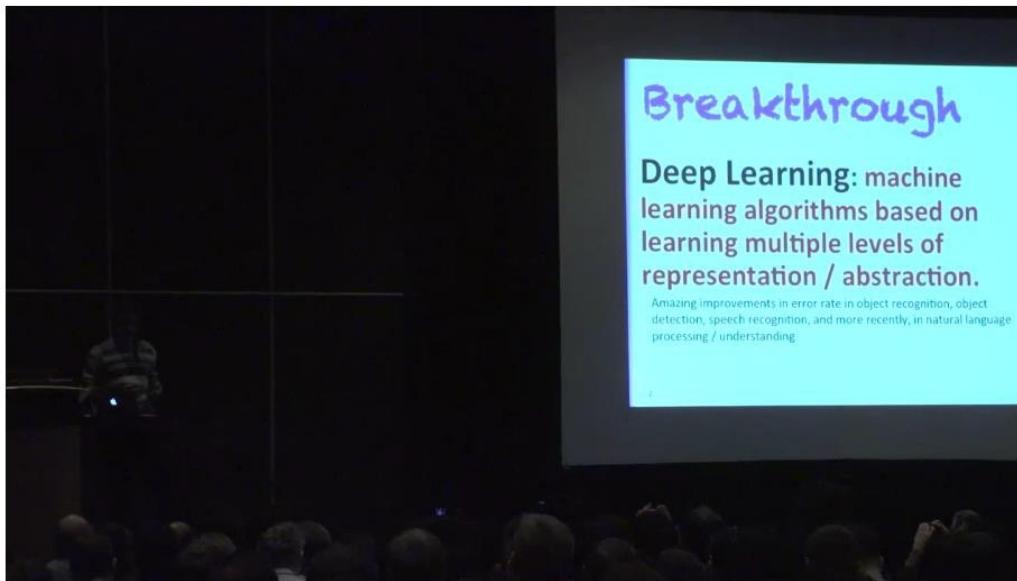
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# Academy

- NeurIPS 2018: ~8000 attendees, double the number of NIPS



Tutorial: Deep Learning



# Academy

- Science special issue
- Nature invited review

## REVIEW

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### Deep learning

Yann LeCun<sup>1,2</sup>, Yoshua Bengio<sup>3</sup> & Geoffrey Hinton<sup>4,5</sup>

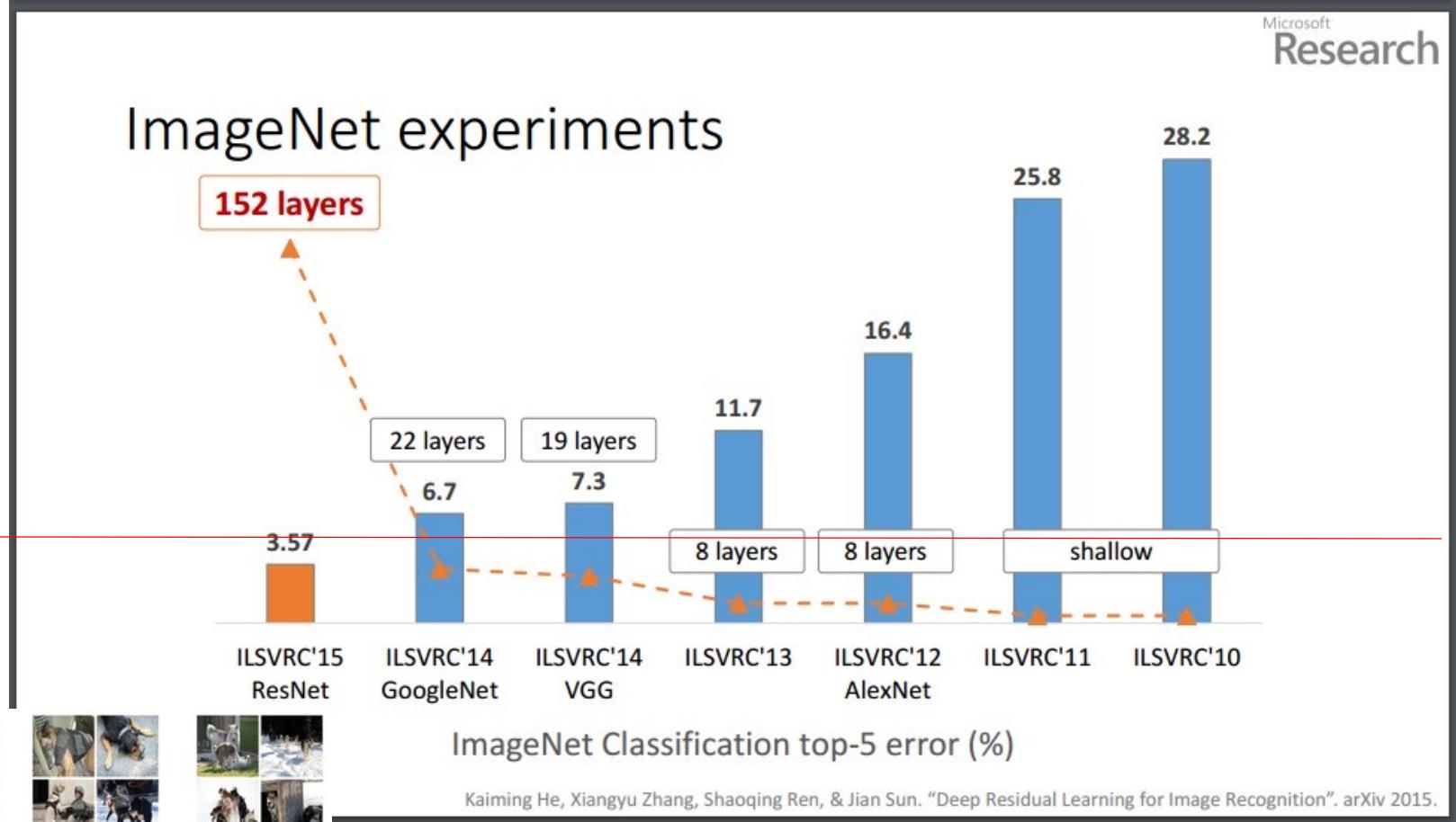
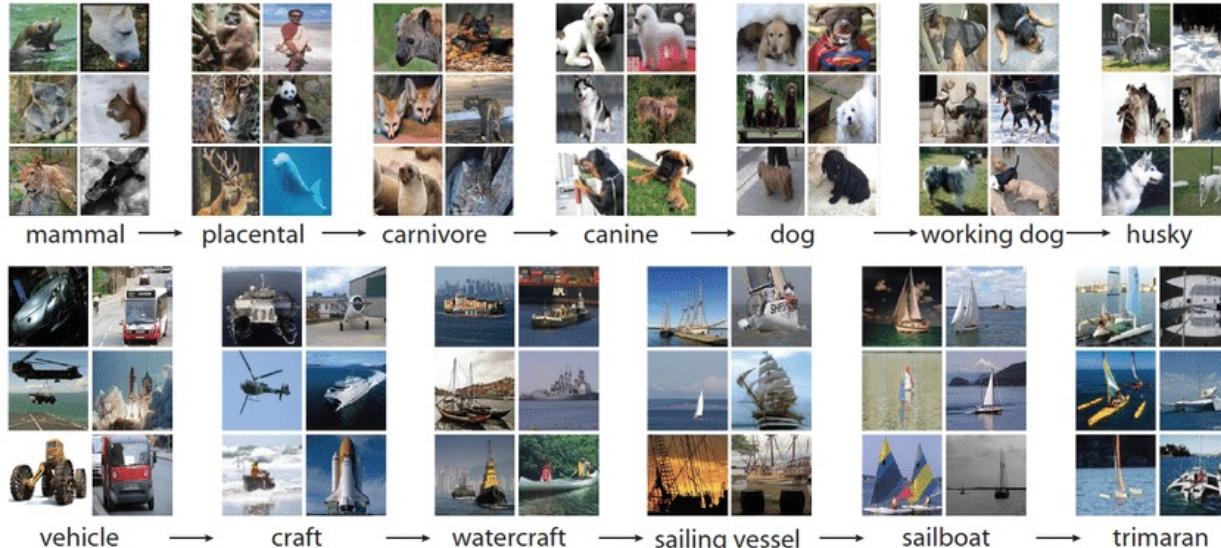


# What is deep learning?

- Longer answer: machine learning framework that shows impressive performance on many Artificial Intelligence tasks

# Image

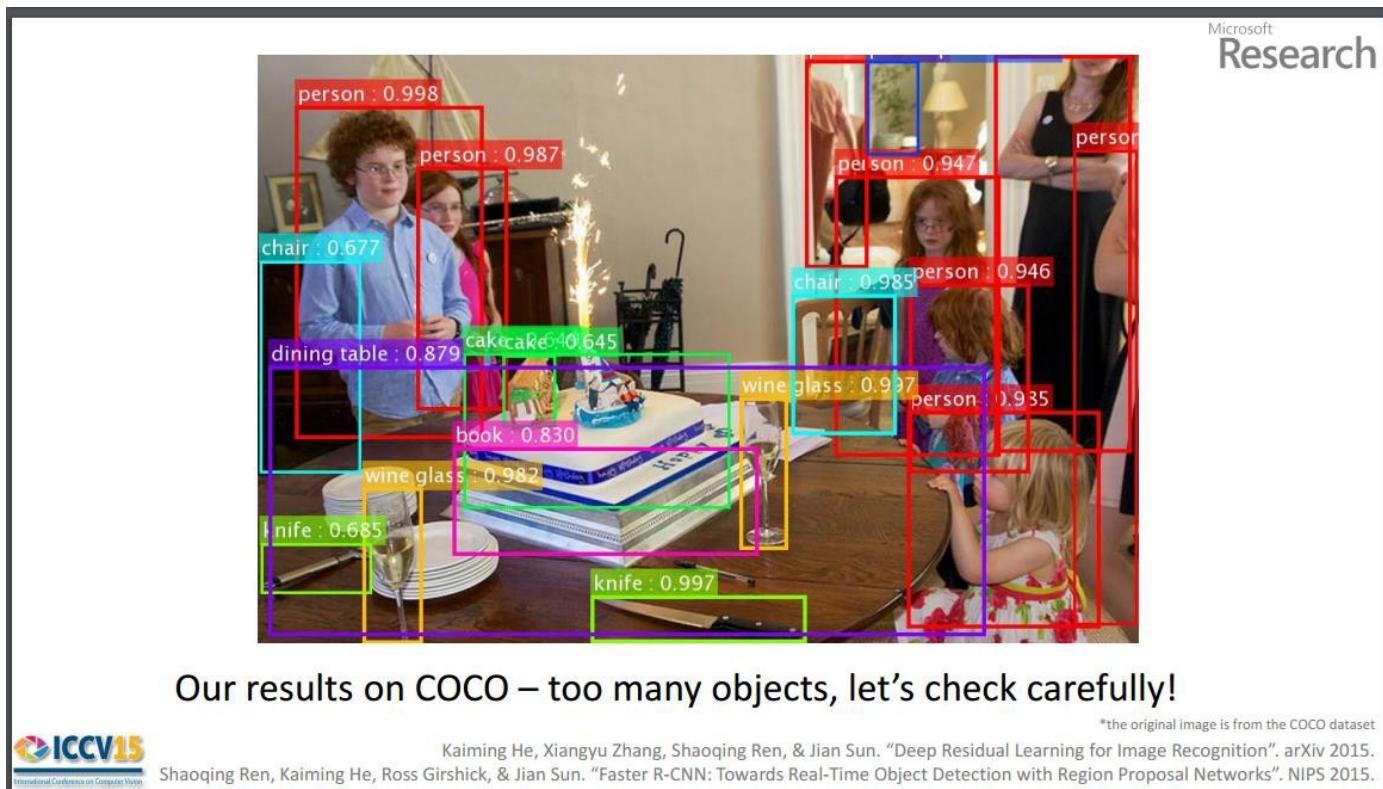
- Image classification
    - 1000 classes
- Human performance: ~5%



Slides from Kaiming He, MSRA

# Image

- Object location



**Slides from Kaiming He, MSRA**

# Image

- Image captioning

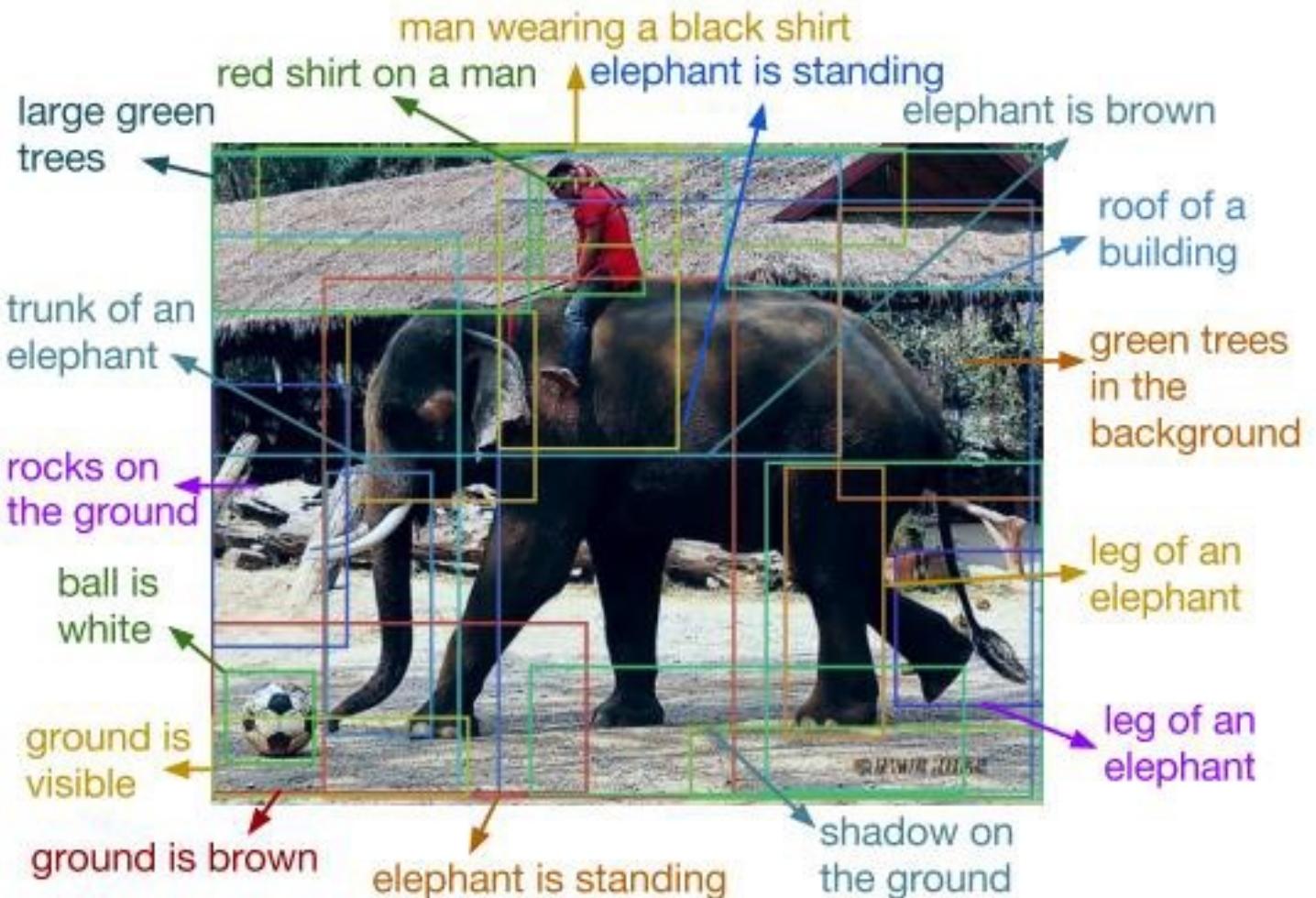


Figure from the paper “DenseCap: Fully Convolutional Localization Networks for Dense Captioning”, by Justin Johnson, Andrej Karpathy, Li Fei-Fei

# Text

- Question & Answer

I: Jane went to the hallway.  
I: Mary walked to the bathroom.  
I: Sandra went to the garden.  
I: Daniel went back to the garden.  
I: Sandra took the milk there.  
Q: Where is the milk?  
A: garden

I: The answer is far from obvious.  
Q: In French?  
A: La réponse est loin d'être évidente.

Figures from the paper “Ask Me Anything: Dynamic Memory Networks for Natural Language Processing ”,  
by Ankit Kumar, Ozan Irsoy, Peter Ondruska, Mohit Iyyer, James Bradbury, Ishaan Gulrajani, Richard Socher

# Game



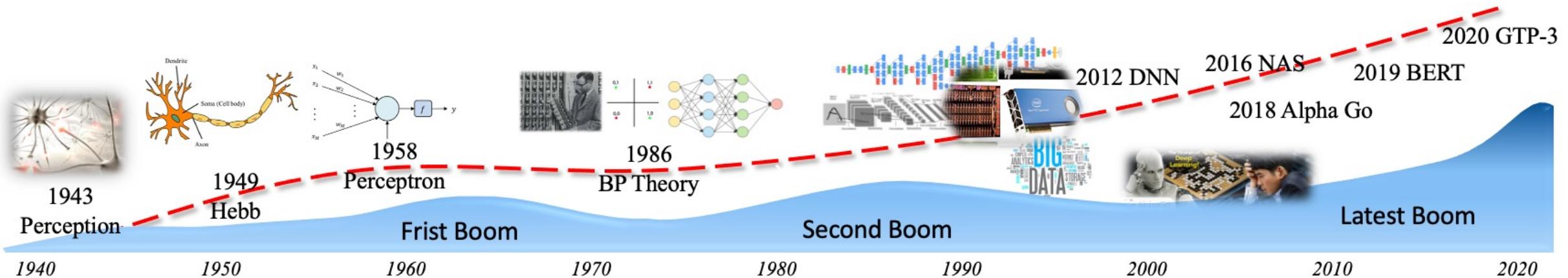
[Google DeepMind's Deep Q-learning playing Atari Breakout](#)

From the paper “Playing Atari with Deep Reinforcement Learning”,  
by Volodymyr Mnih, Koray Kavukcuoglu, David Silver, Alex Graves, Ioannis Antonoglou,  
Daan Wierstra, Martin Riedmiller

# Game



# AI Historic Review



Neural Networks date back decades,

## Biological Inspiration ...modeling the human brain..

At basic level the brain is composed of **neurons**:

- a **neuron** receives input from other **neurons** (thousands) via its synapses
- inputs are approximately summed
- when input exceeds a threshold the **neuron** sends an electrical spike that travels that travels from the body, down the axon, to the next **neuron(s)**..

## Learning in the Brain..

Brains learn

Altering strength between **neurons** ...creating/deleting connections

### Hebb's Postulate (**Hebbian Learning**) 1949

When an axon of cell A is near enough to excite a cell B and repeatedly or persistently takes part in firing it, some growth process or metabolic change takes place in one or both cells such that A's efficiency, as one of the cells firing B, is increased.

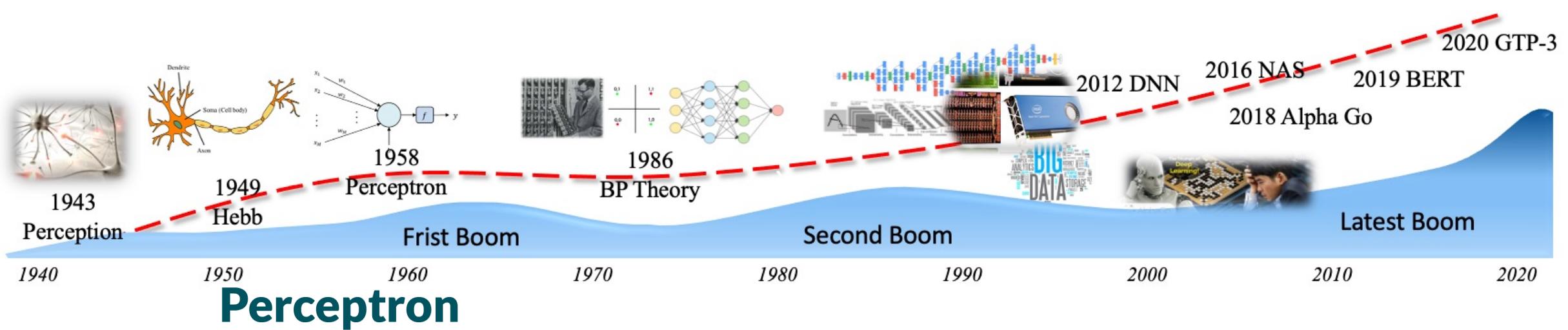
If **neuron**  $x_i$  repeatedly triggers **neuron**  $y$ , the synaptic knob connecting  $x_i$  to  $y$  gets larger mathematical model:  $w_i = w_i + \eta x_i y$

weight of  $i^{\text{th}}$  **neuron**'s input to output **neuron**  $y$       **unstable...**

⇒ simple formula is actually the basis of many learning algorithms in machine/deep learning.

The weight between two neurons increases if the two neurons activate simultaneously, and reduces if they activate separately. Nodes that tend to be either both positive or both negative at the same time have strong positive weights, while those that tend to be opposite have strong negative weights.

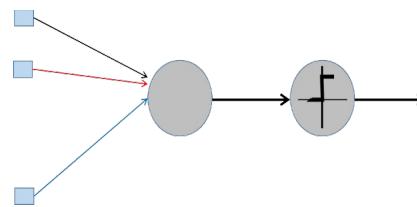
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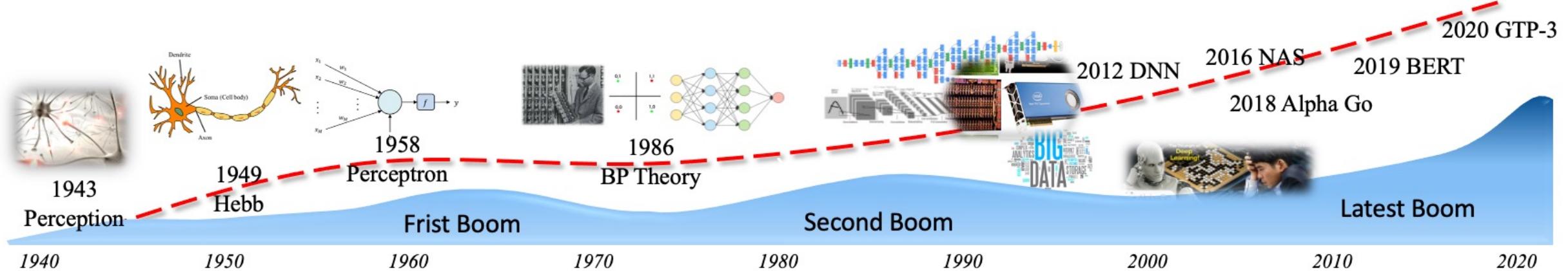
The perceptron (Rosenblatt, 1957) is very similar, except that the inputs are real:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_i w_i x_i + b \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

This model was originally motivated by biology, with  $w_i$  being synaptic weights and  $x_i$  and  $f$  firing rates.



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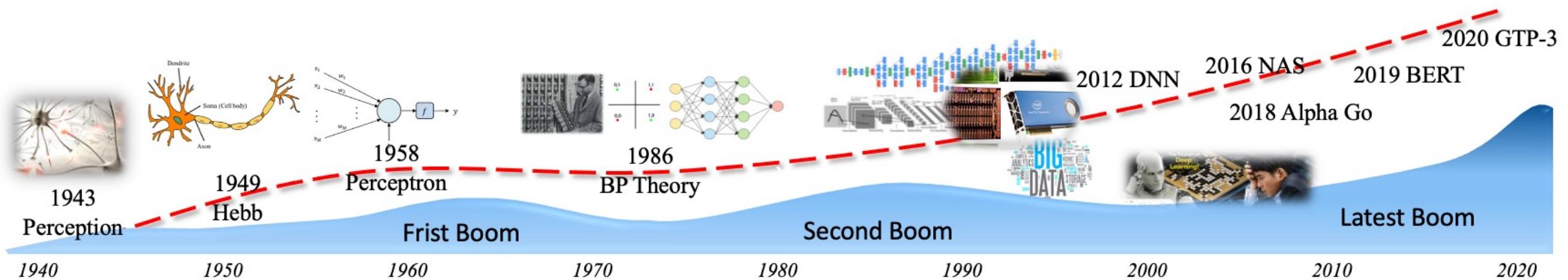
Neural Networks date back decades,  
**Backpropagation** algorithm for learning multiple layers of non-linear features introduced developed over 1970's & 80's

... Werbos, Parker, LeCun, Rumelhart et. al.

**Backpropagation** held great promise but by 1990's interest

- seemed unable to make good use of multiple hidden layers except in “time- delay” and convolutional nets
- didn't work well in recurrent networks

# AI Historic Review



## Backpropagation ... what went wrong?

Requires **labeled** training data...

- but almost **all** data is **unlabeled**... Learning time does not scale well..

- slow** in networks with multiple hidden layers..

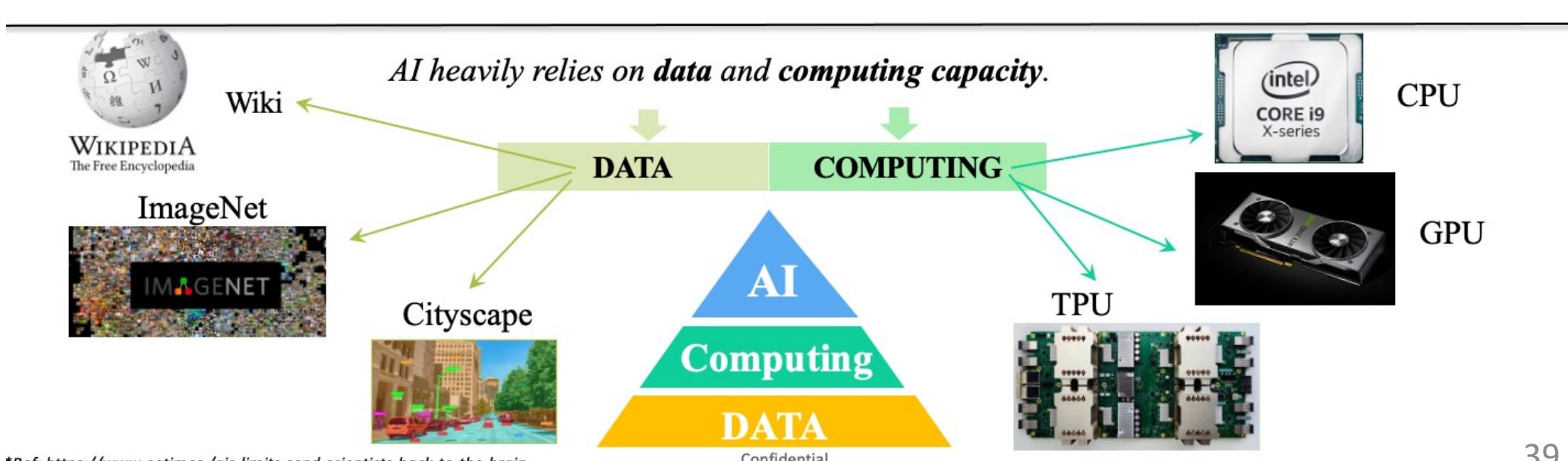
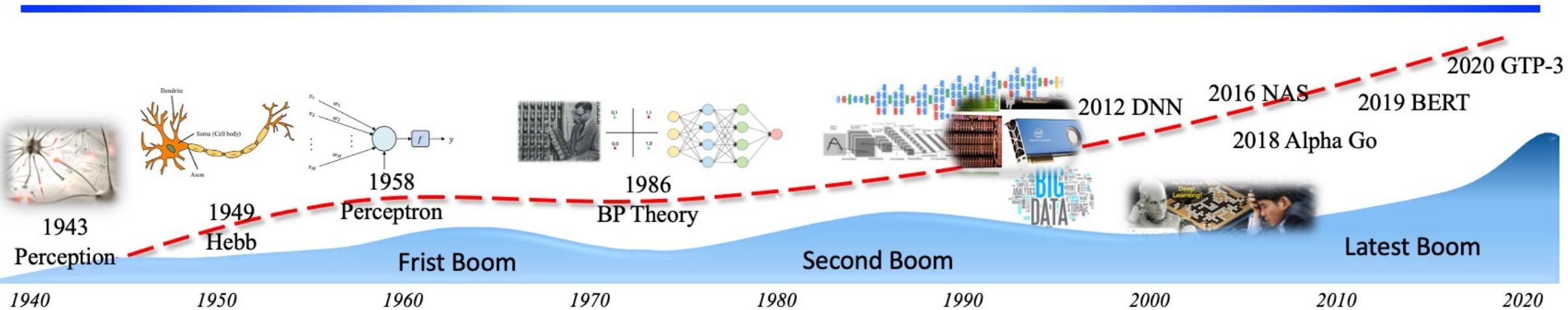
Gets stuck in "**poor local optima**"..

- often "**satisfactory**" but not optimal for Deep Nets

# Questions behind the scene

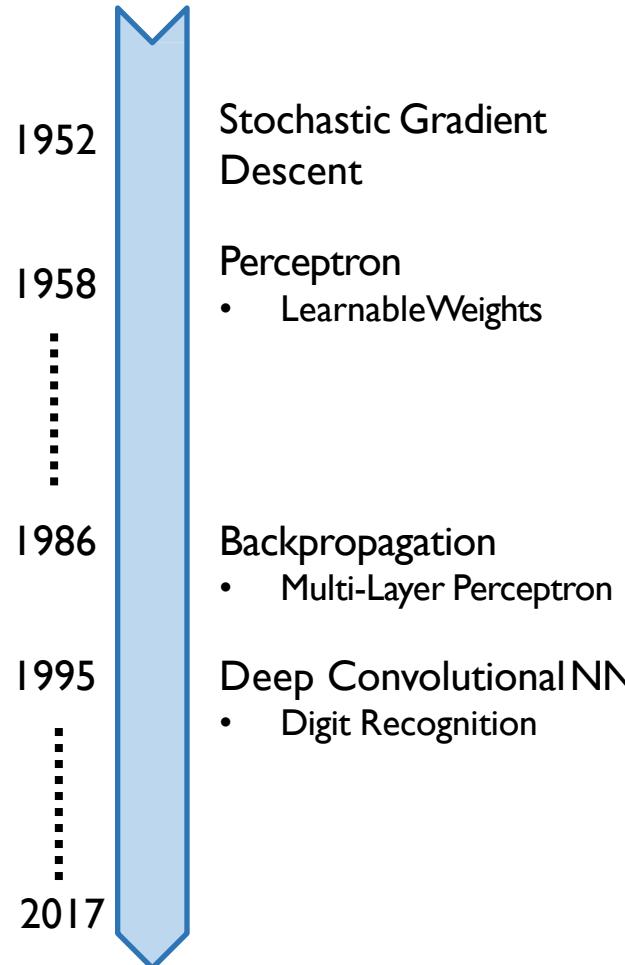
- Return of artificial neural network
  - What's different
  - Why get great performance
- Future development
  - The road to general-purpose AI?

# AI Historic Review



# Deep Learning.. brief history

Now...



## Deep Learning ... almost everywhere

- Object classification
- Object detection, segmentation, pose estimation
- Image captioning, question answering
- Machine translation
- Speech recognition
- Robotics

## Some strongholds

- Action classification, action detection
- Object retrieval
- Object tracking

# Segmentation

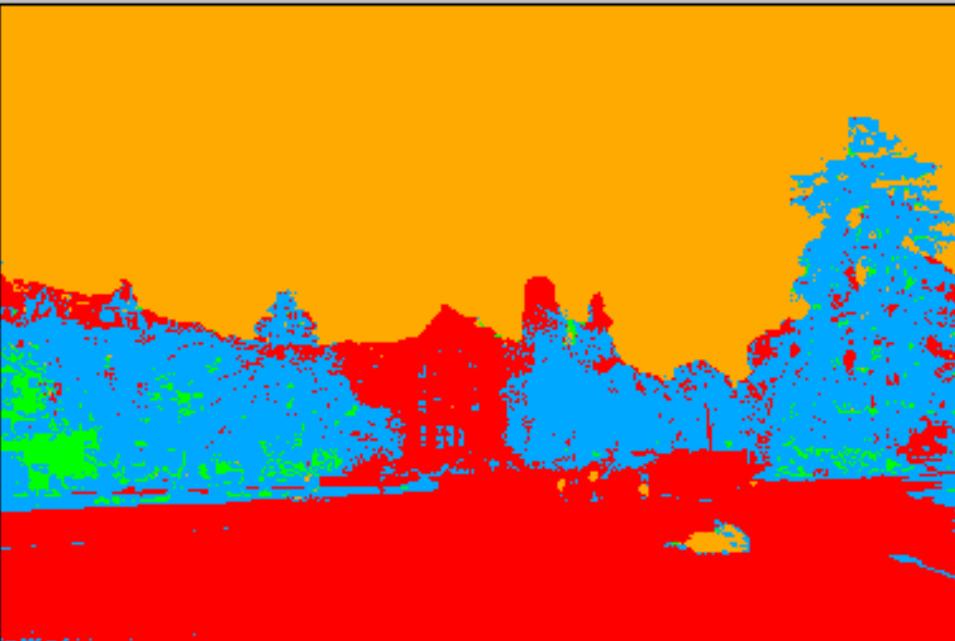
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640\*480 (607,118): RGB(20,22,1)



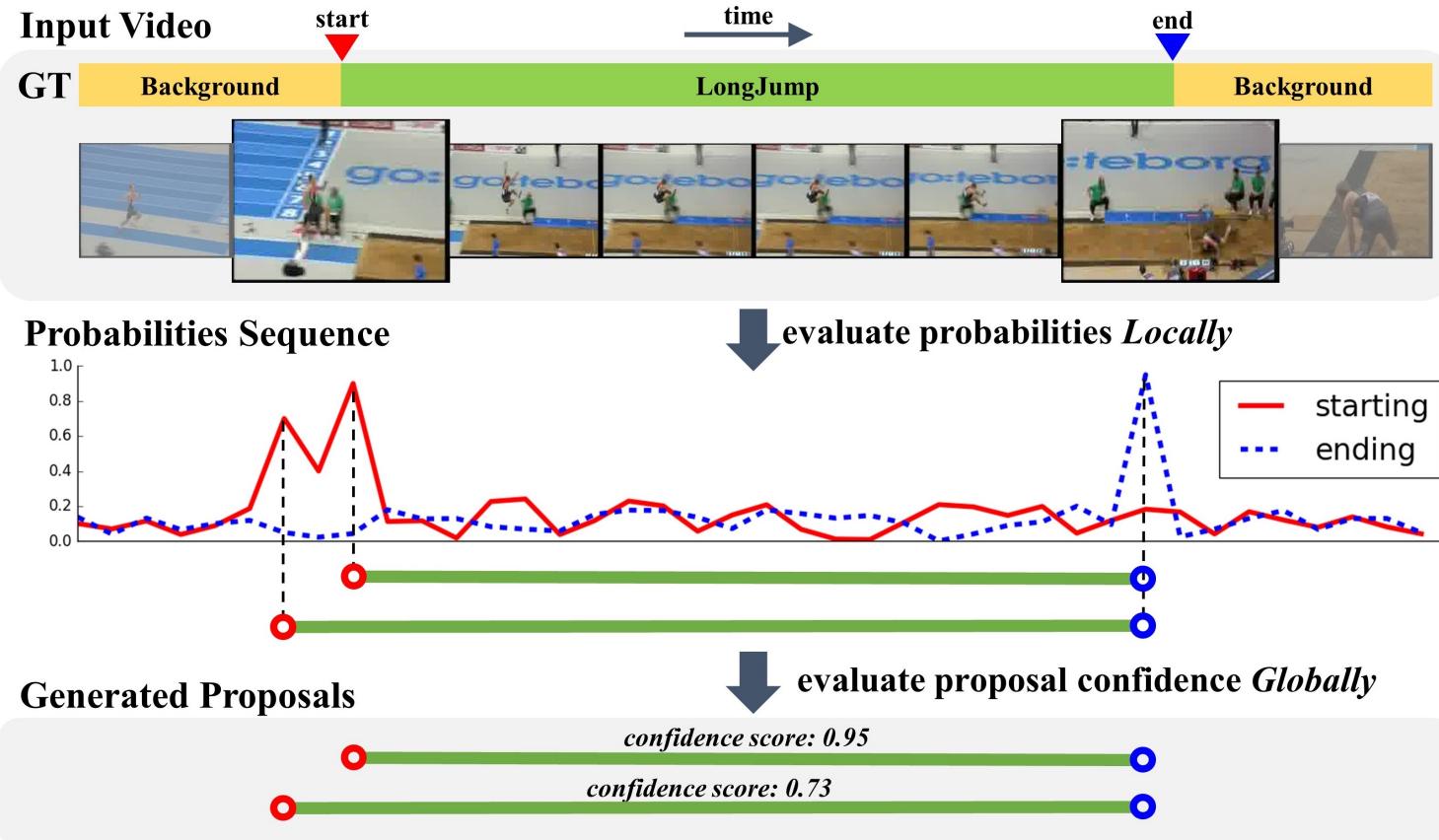
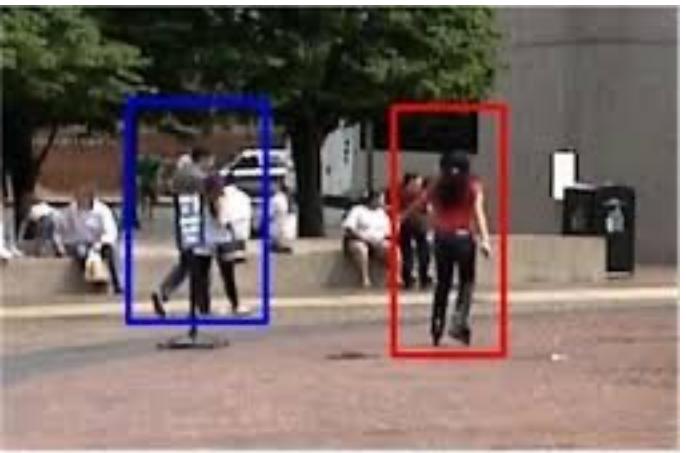
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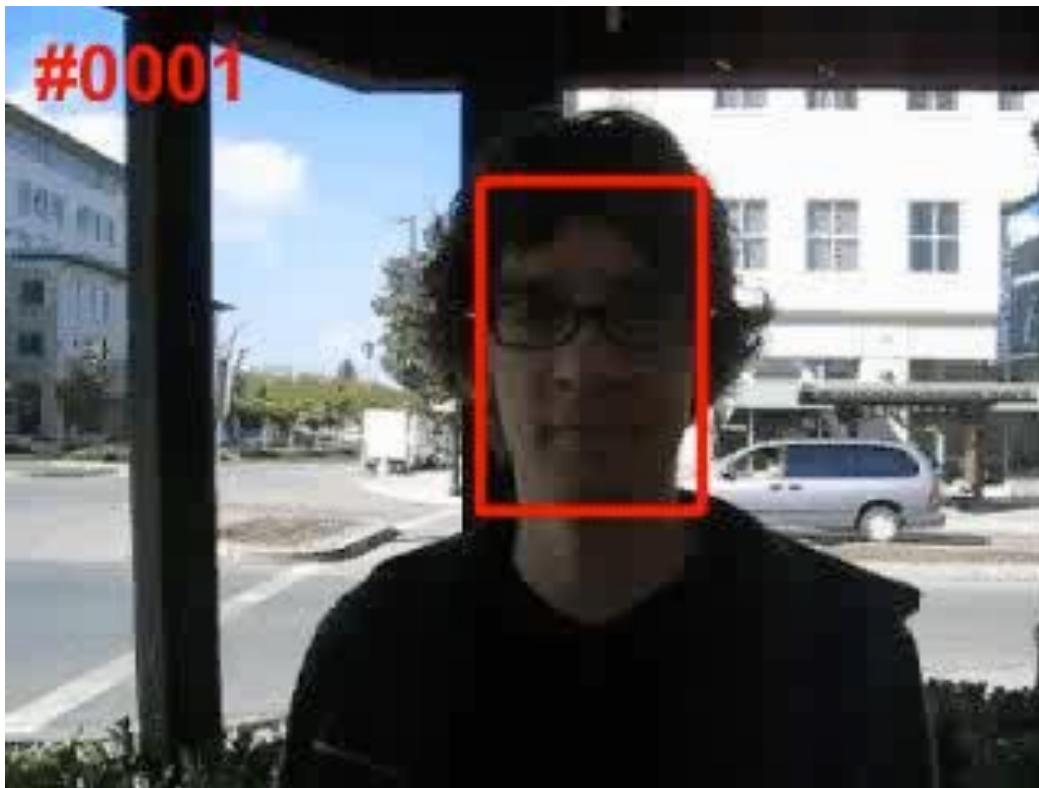
# Pose Estimation



# Action Detection

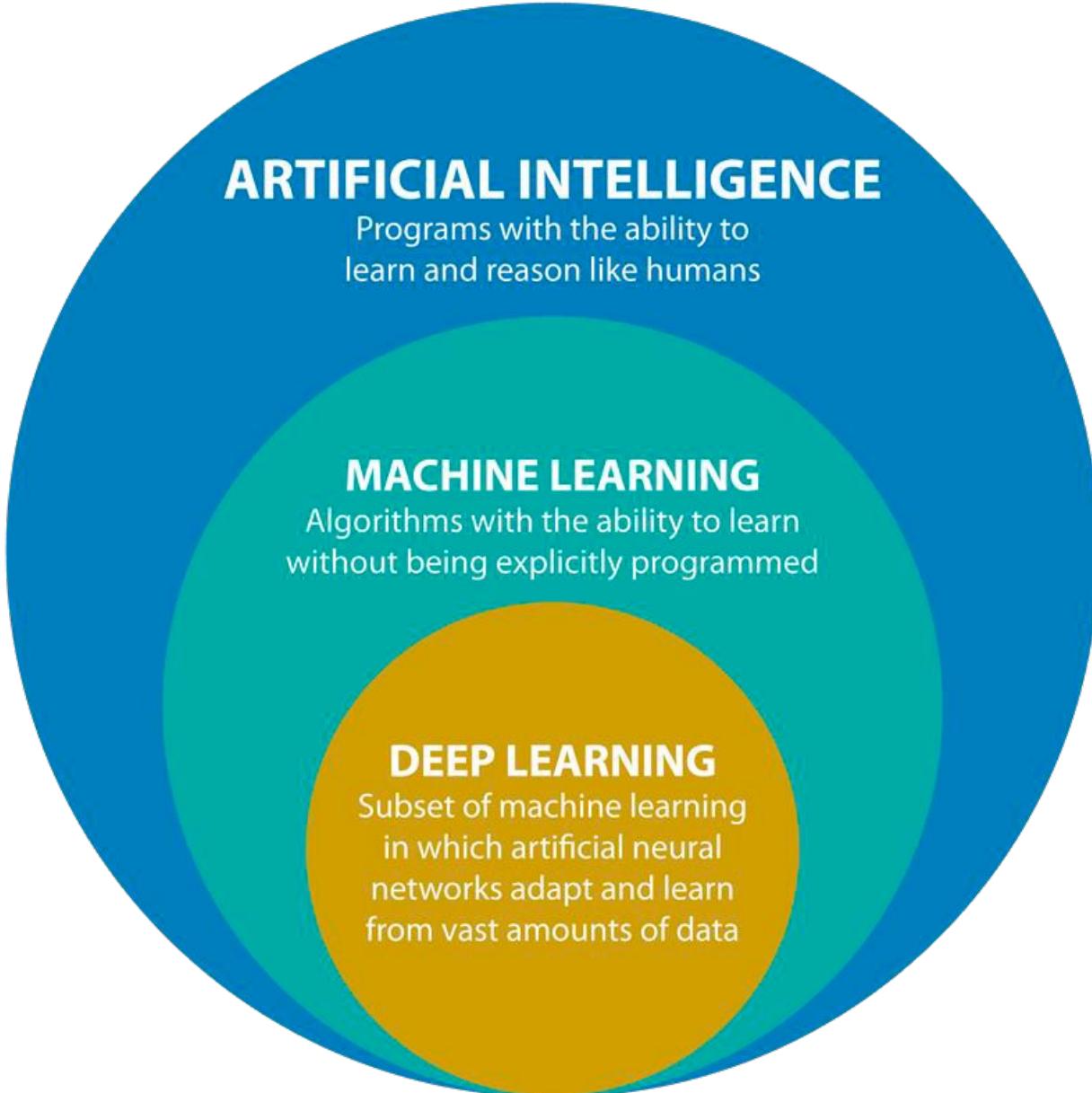


# Tracking



**Short Break- Come back in  
10 mins**

# What is the difference between DL (Deep Learning), ML (Machine Learning) and AI (Artificial Intelligence)?



Artificial Intelligence is the broader concept of machines being able to carry out tasks in a way that we would consider “smart”. And, Machine Learning is a current application of AI based around the idea that we should really just be able to give machines access to data and let them learn for themselves.

# What is Machine Learning?

## □ Machine learning

- is a **subfield of computer science**
- that is concerned with **building algorithms** which,
- **rely on** a collection of **examples** of some phenomenon.
  - ✓ These examples can come from nature, be handcrafted by humans or generated by another algorithm.

# Early Definitions

- **Arthur Samuel** (1959): A field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed.
- **Tom Mitchell** (1998): A computer program is said to *learn* from experience *E* with respect to some *task T* and some performance measure *P*, if its *performance* on *T*, as measured by *P*, improves with experience *E*.

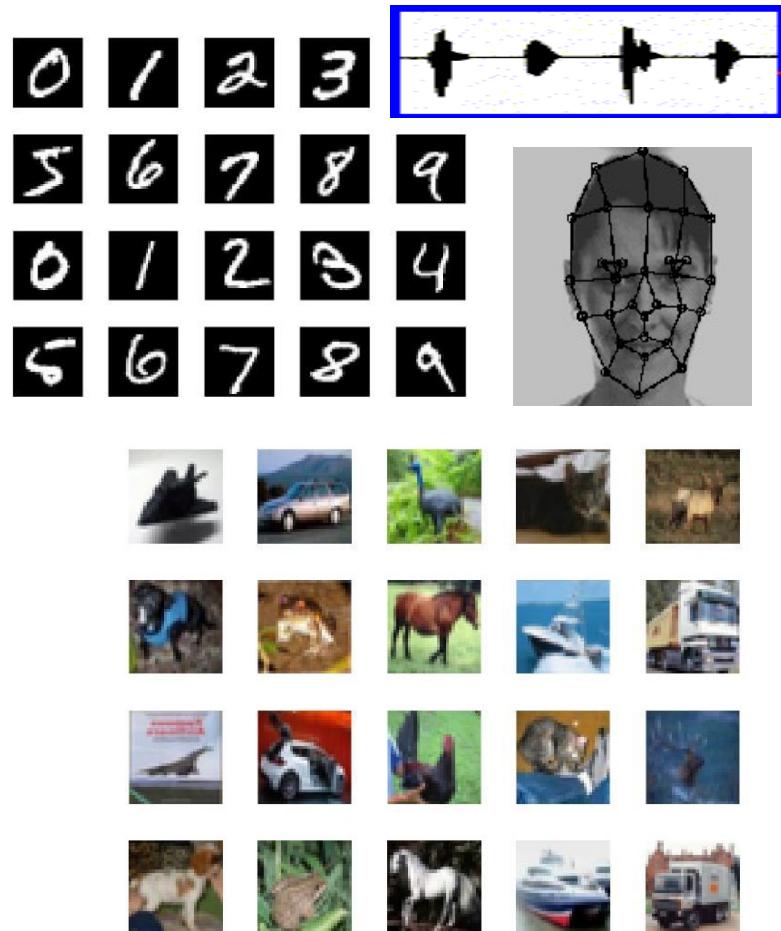
How do we create computer programs that improve with experience?"

Tom Mitchell

[http://videolectures.net/mlas06\\_mitchell\\_itm/](http://videolectures.net/mlas06_mitchell_itm/)

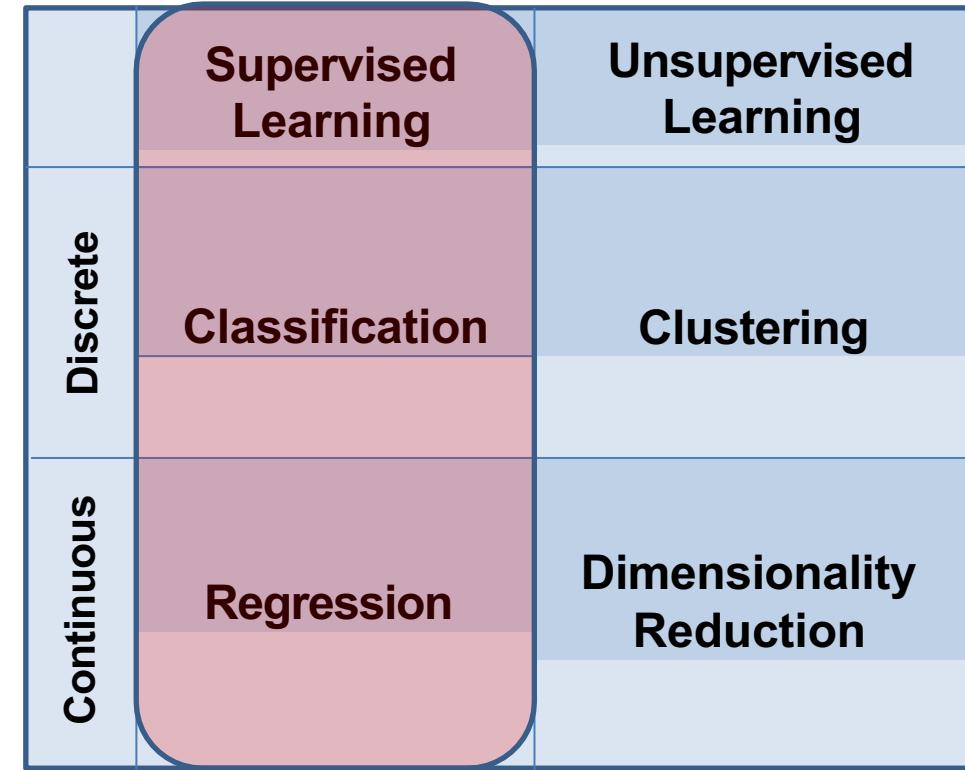
# Application Examples

- Speech recognition
- Face recognition
- Handwriting recognition
- Object recognition
- Housing price prediction
- Etc, etc.



# Types of Learning

- Supervised Learning
- Unsupervised Learning
- Semi-Supervised Learning
- Reinforcement Learning



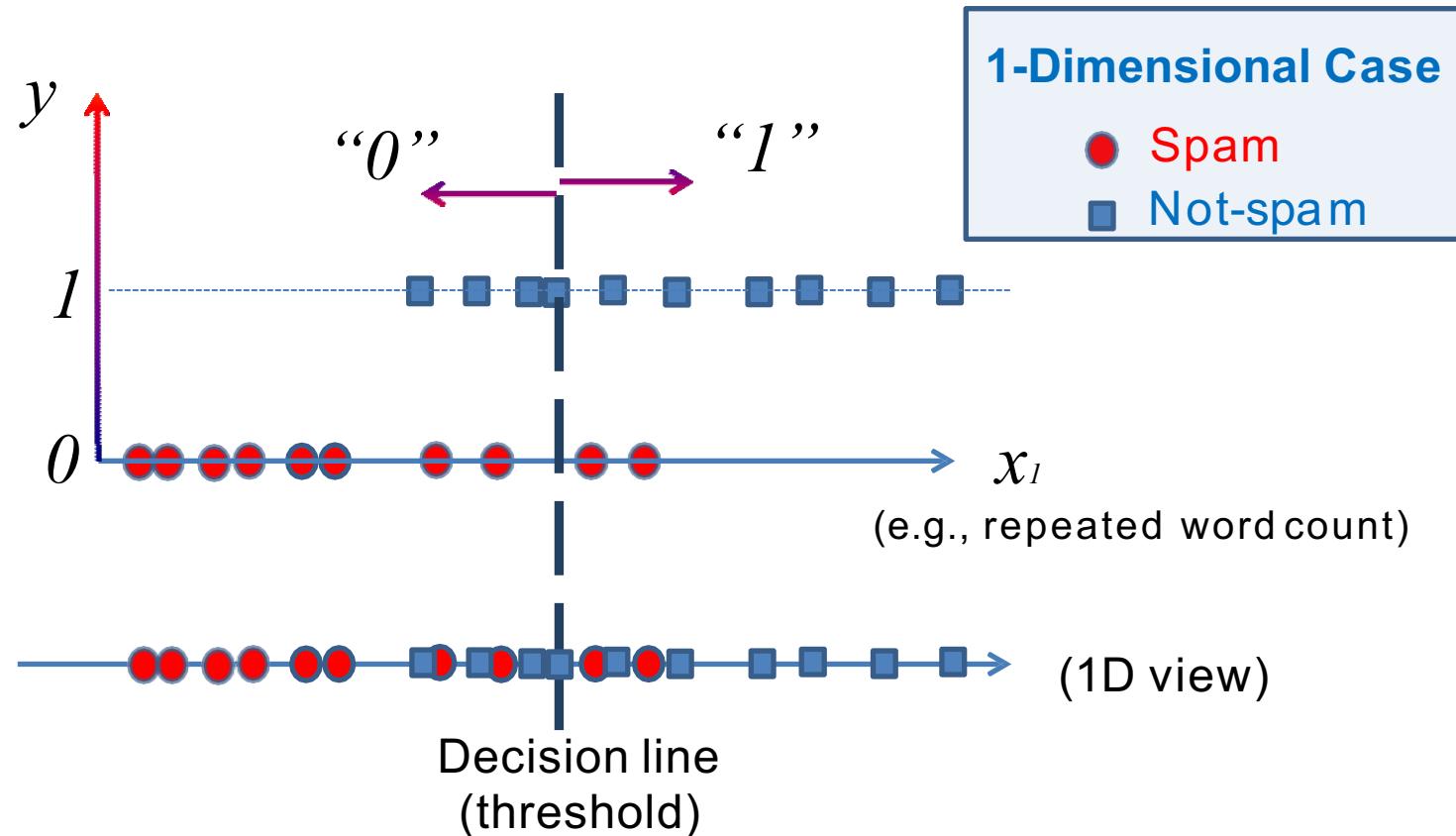
# Supervised Learning

- In **supervised learning**, the **dataset** is the collection of **labeled examples**  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^m$ ,

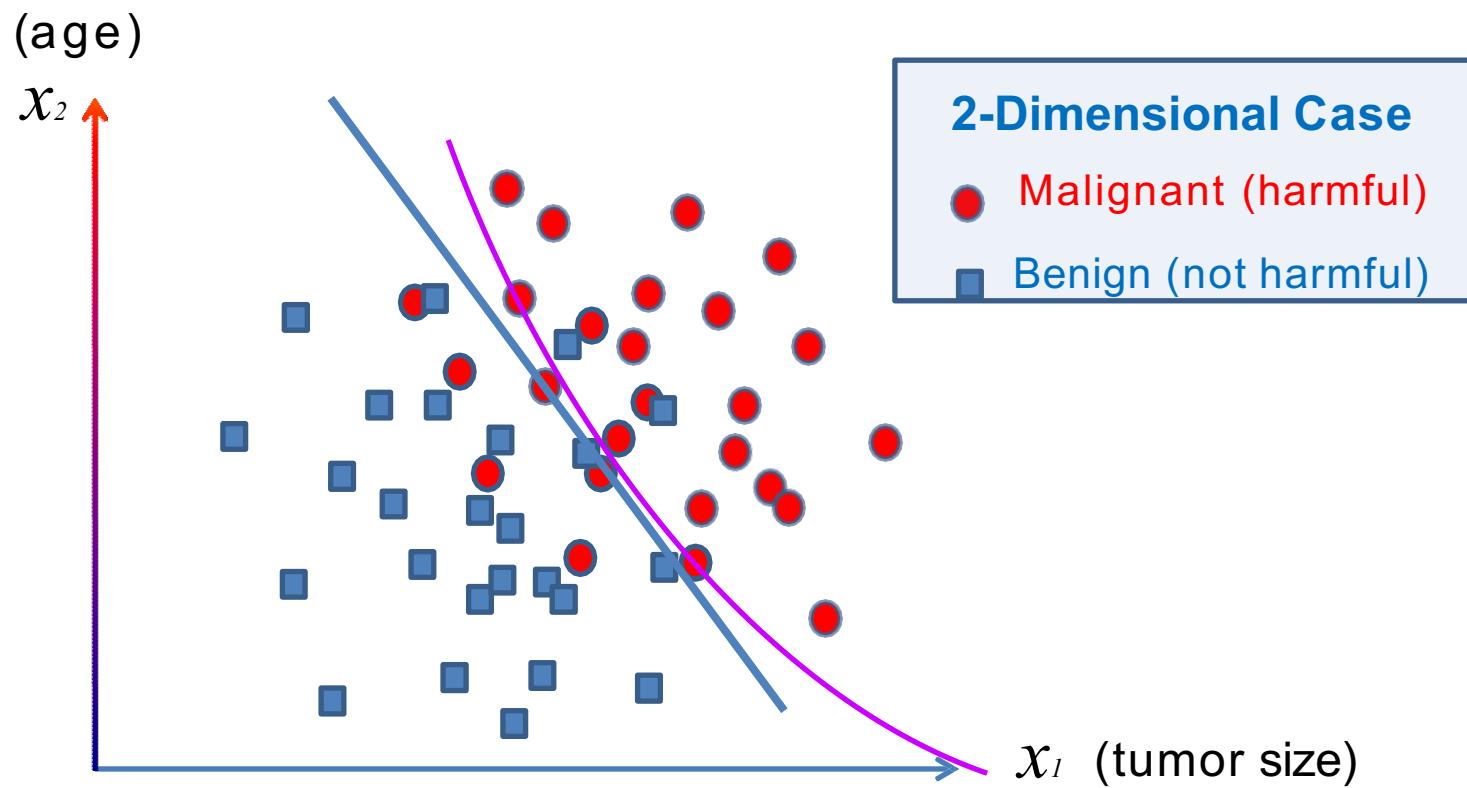
$$\mathbf{x}_i = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix}_i \text{ or } \mathbf{x}_i = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d]^T, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

- Each element  $\mathbf{x}_i$  among  $m$  is called a **feature vector**.
  - A feature vector is a vector in which each dimension  $j = 1, \dots, d$  contains a value that describes the example somehow.
- The **label**  $y_i$  can be either an element belonging to a finite set of **classes**  $\{1, 2, \dots, C\}$ , or a **real number**.

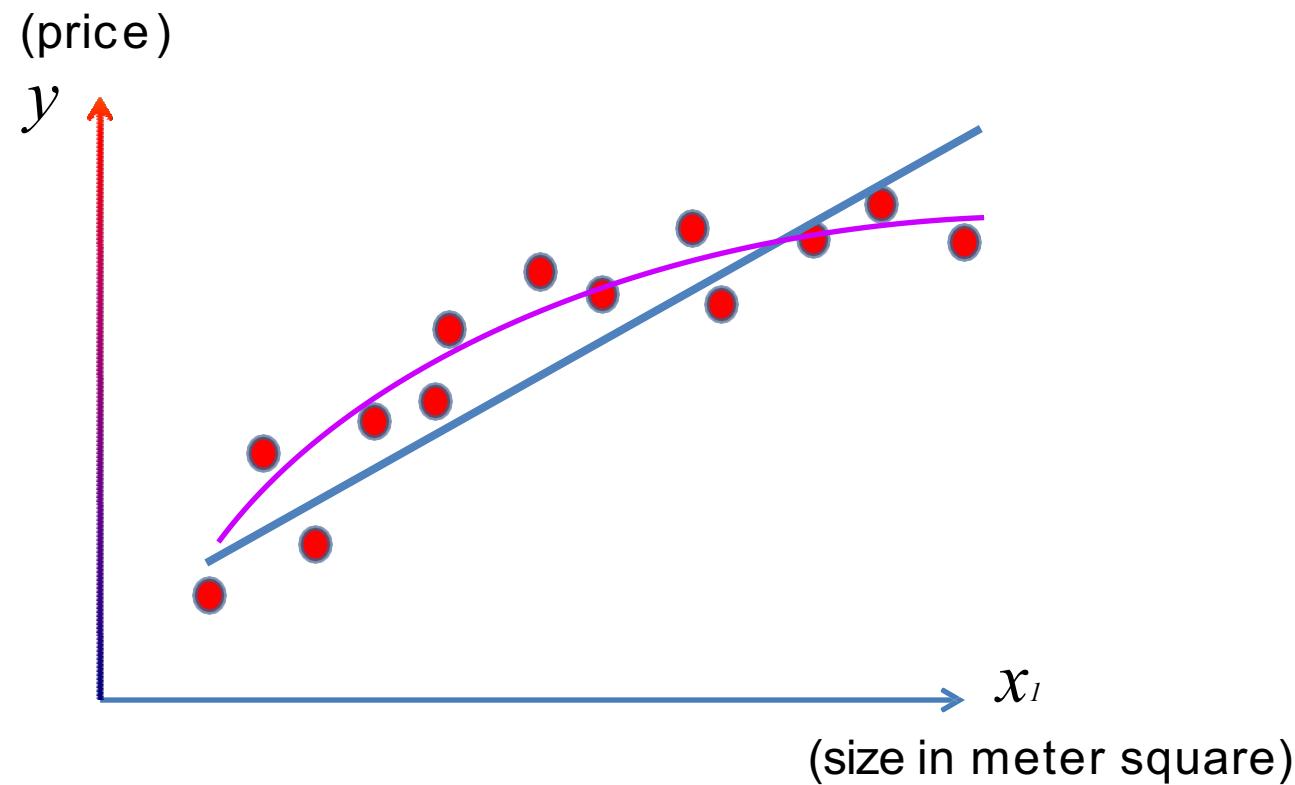
- For instance, if your examples are **email messages** and your problem is spam detection, then you have two classes **{spam, not-spam}**.
- **Classification**: predict **discrete valued** output (e.g., **0 or 1**)



# Classification: Breast Cancer (malignant, benign)



**Regression**: predict continuous valued output  
(e.g., house price prediction)

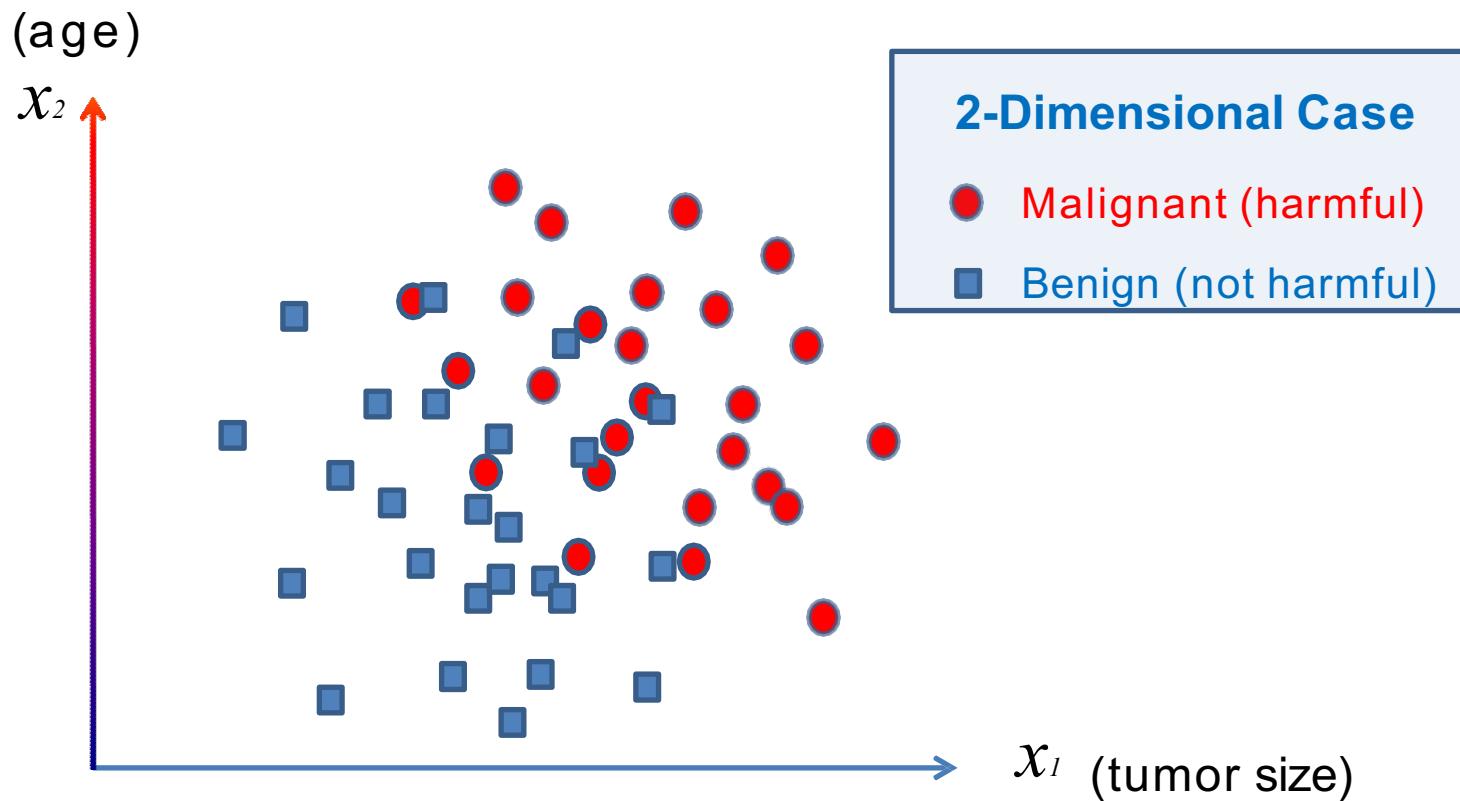


# Un-Supervised Learning

- In **unsupervised learning**, the dataset is a collection of **unlabeled examples**  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^m$
- Again,  $x$  is a feature vector, and the goal of an **unsupervised learning algorithm** is to create a **model** that takes a feature vector  $x$  as input and either **transforms it into another vector or into a value** that can be used to solve a practical problem.

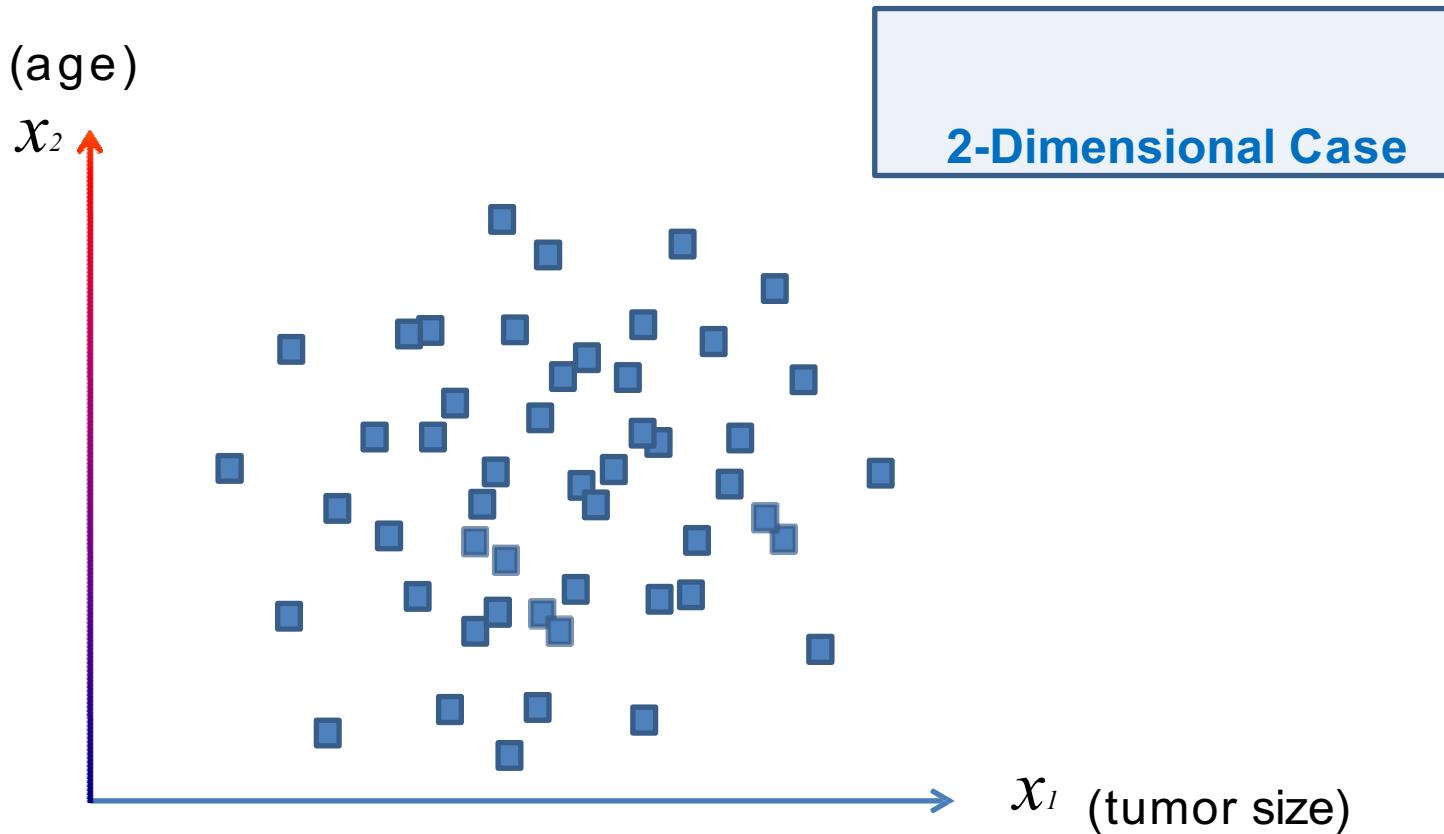
# Pictorial summary

- Supervised Learning



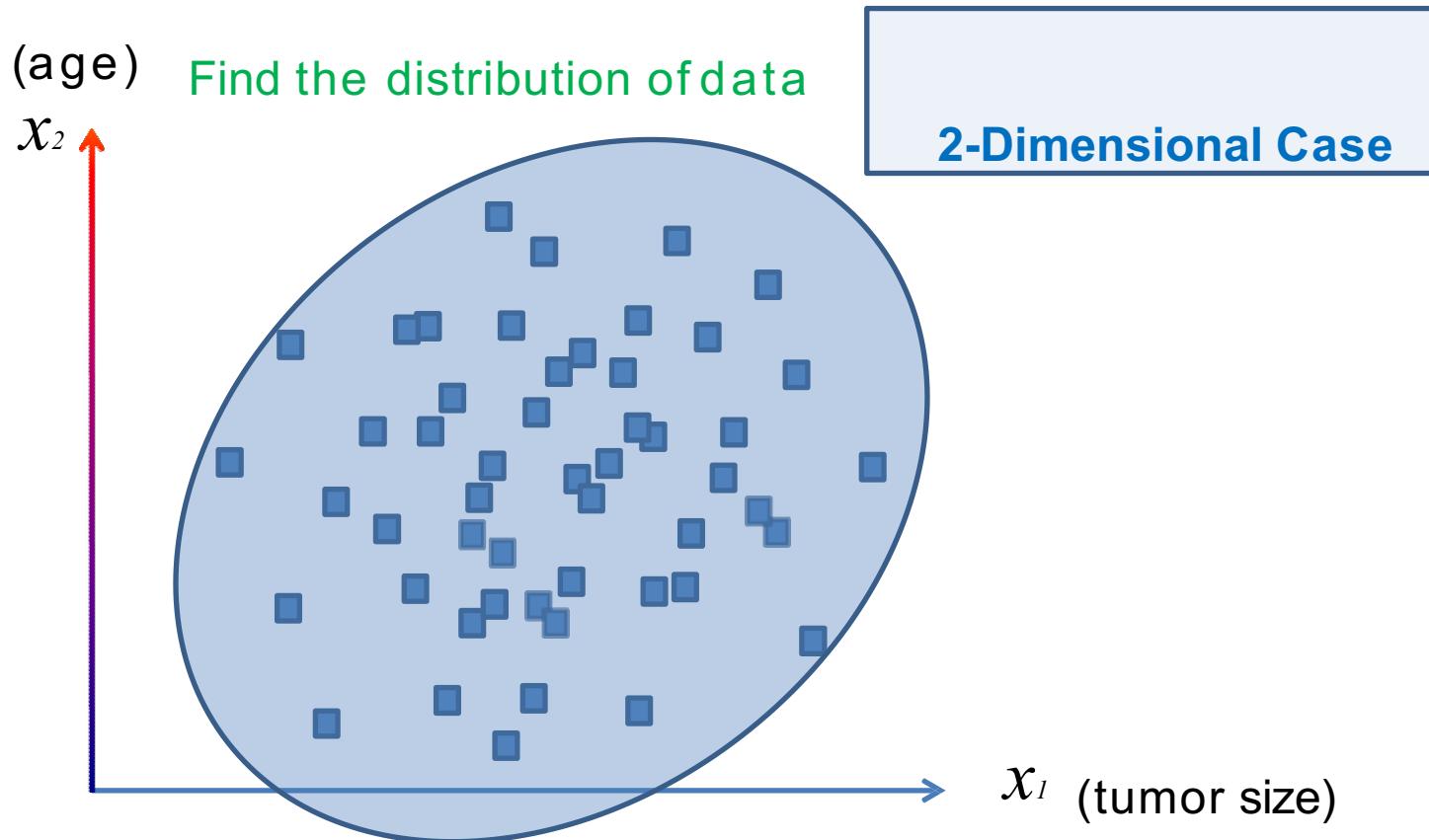
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- Un-Supervised Learning



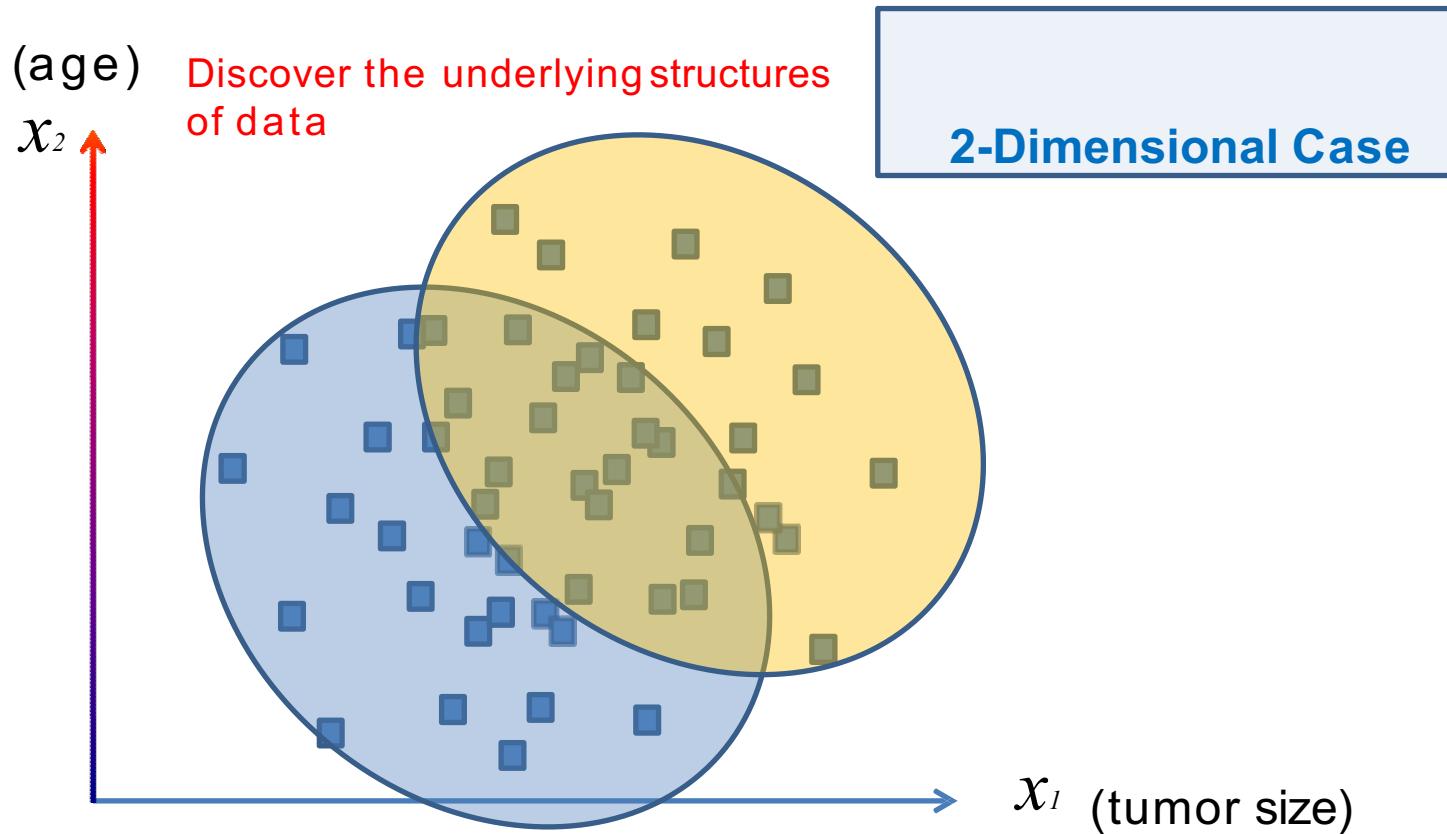
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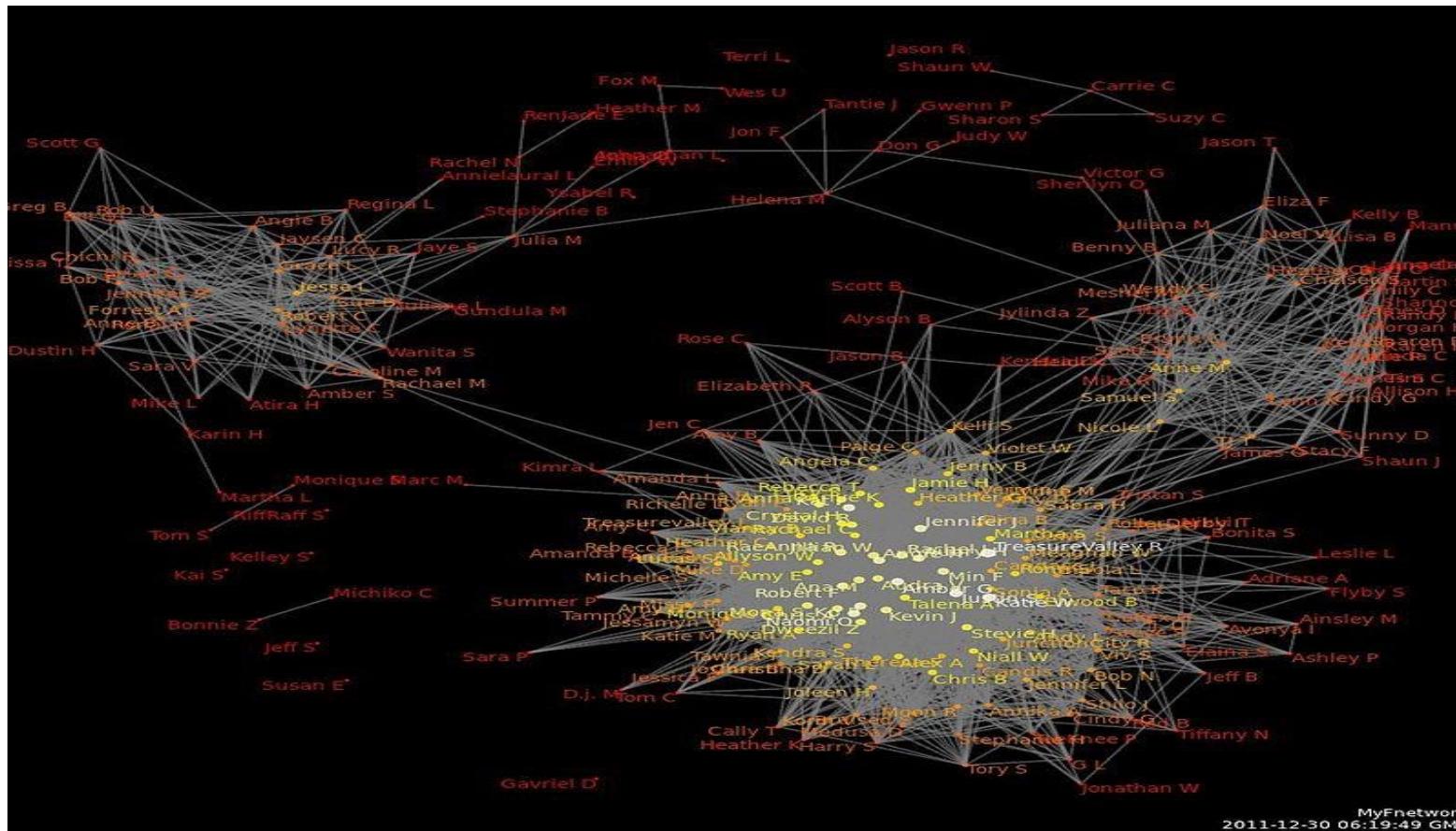


# Pictorial summary

- **Un-Supervised Learning: Clustering**

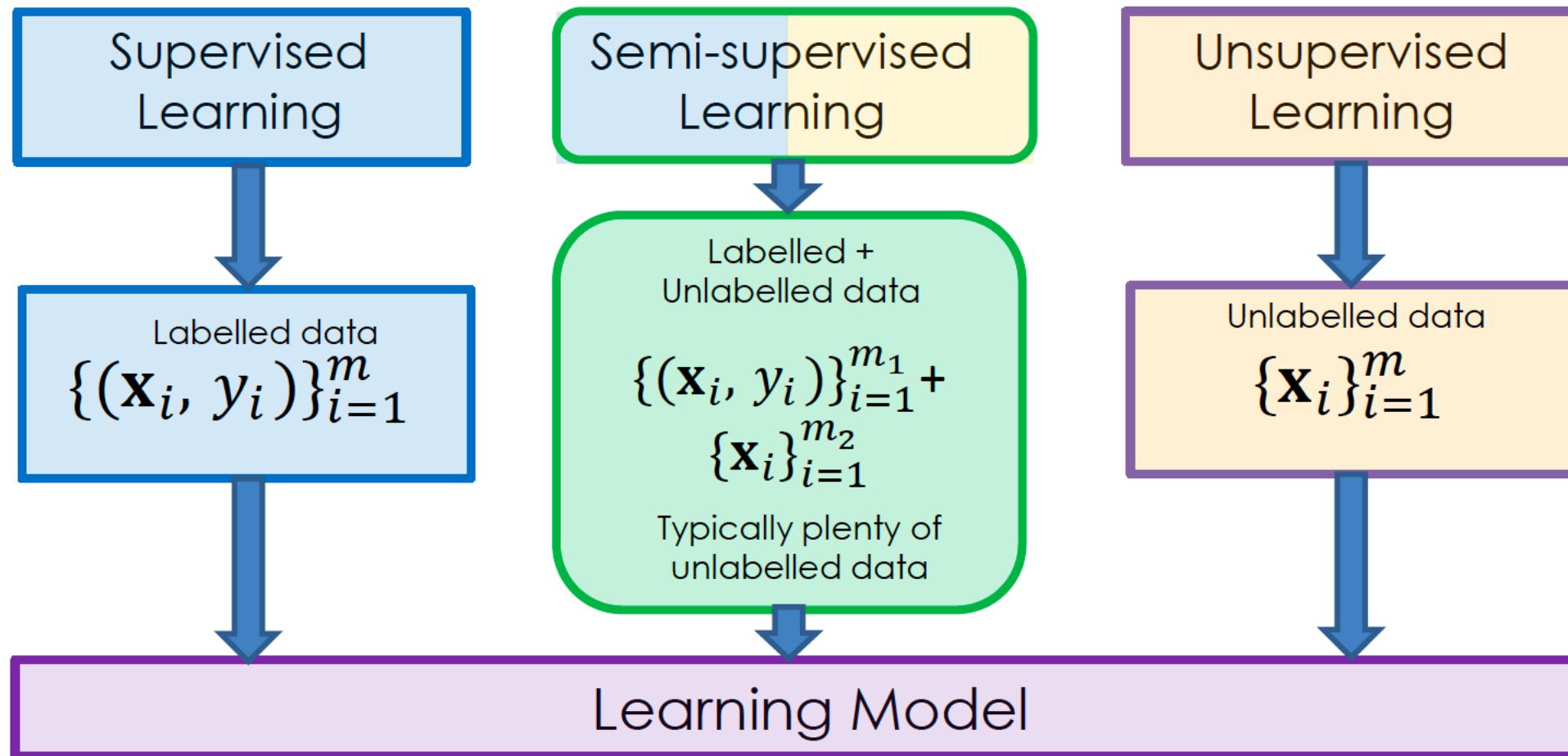


## Example: Social Network

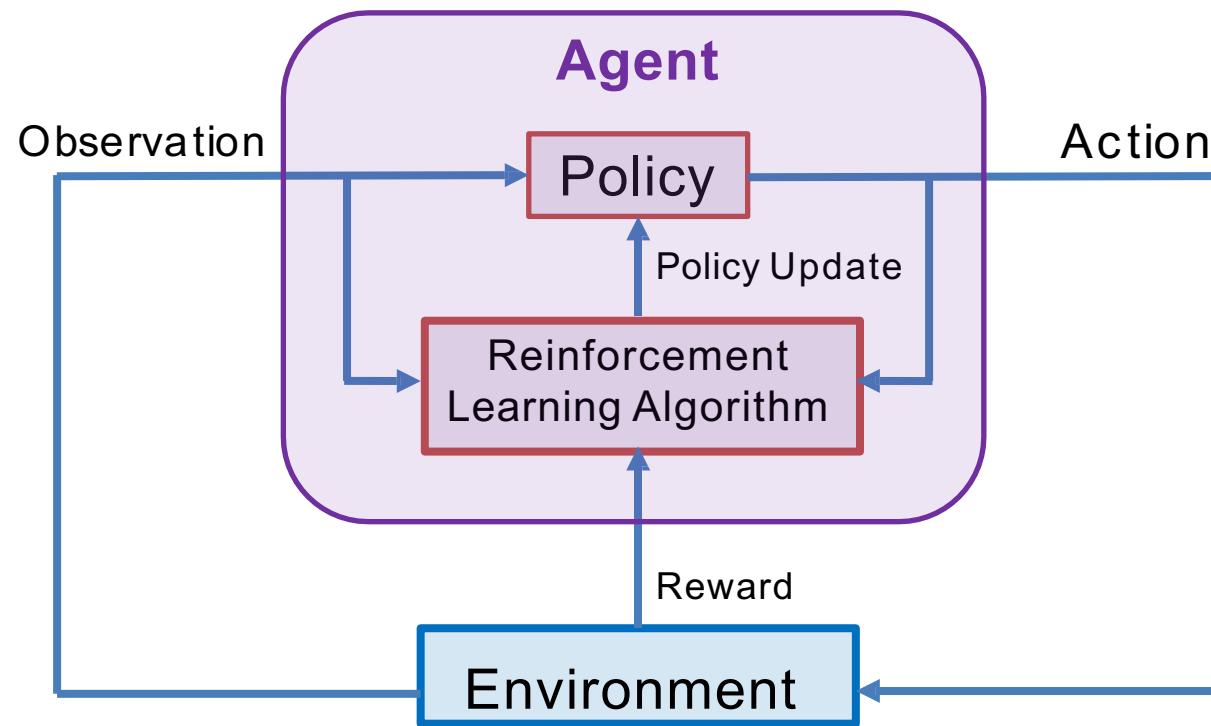


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# Semi-Supervised Learning



# Reinforcement Learning



# Reinforcement Learning

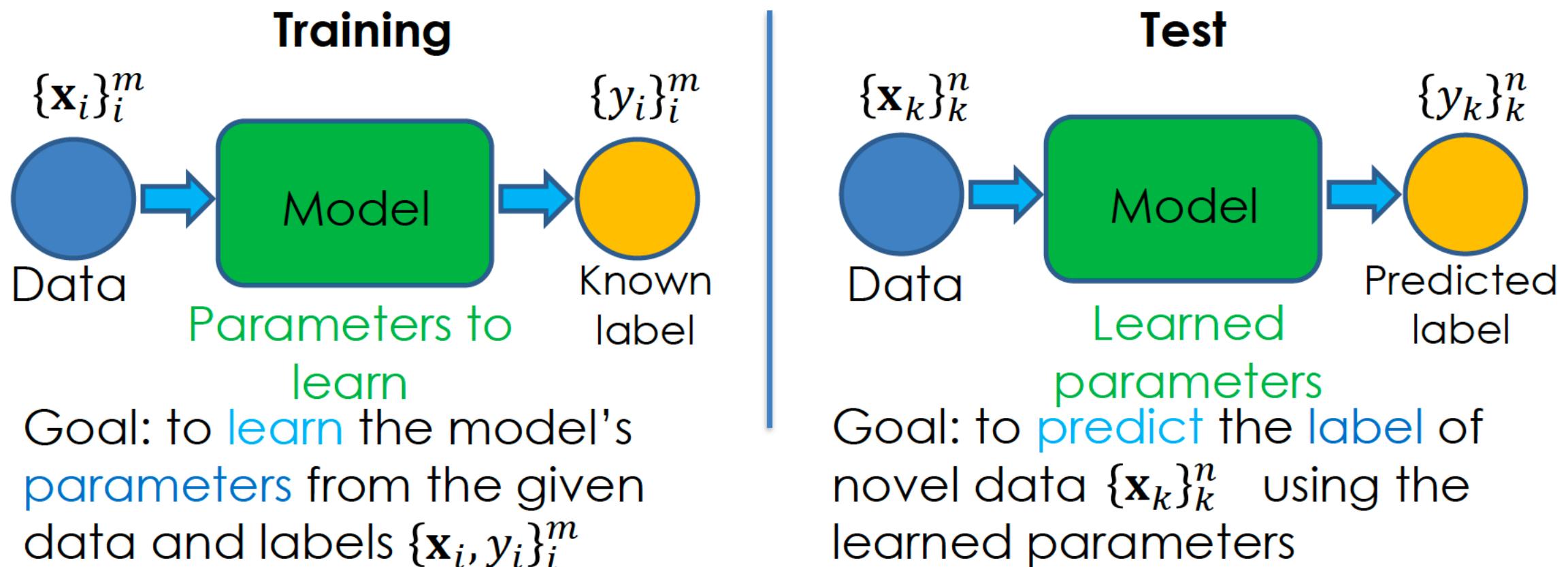
- A **policy** is a **function** (similar to the model in supervised learning) that takes the feature vector of a state as input and outputs an optimal action **to execute in that state**.

- The **action** is optimal if it *maximizes the expected average reward*.

\* Reinforcement learning will be detailed in part III in this course.

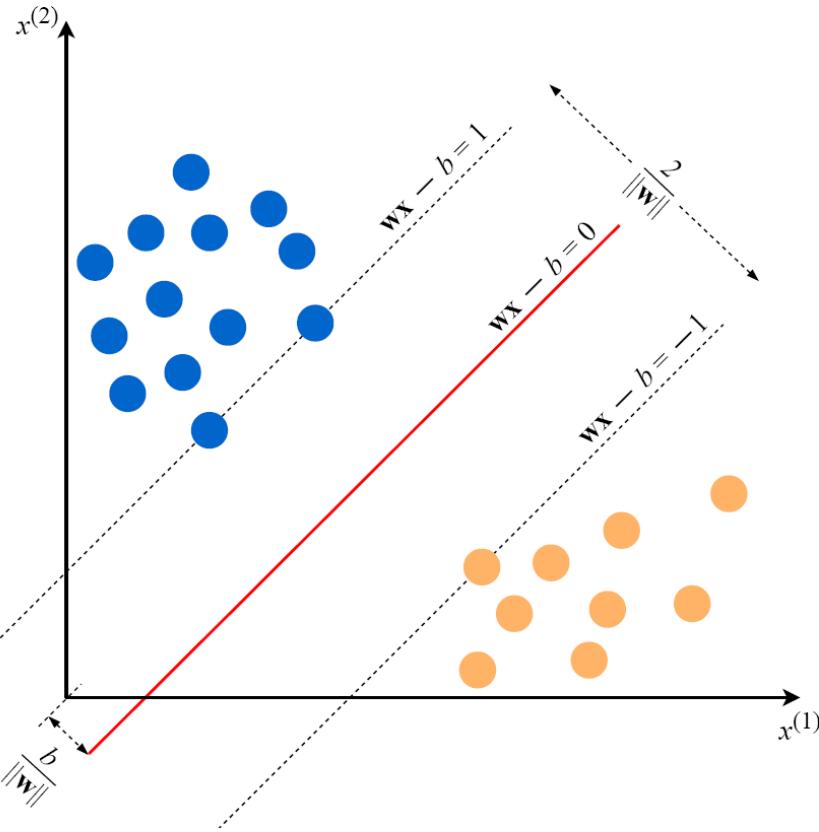
# How Supervised Learning Works

The pipeline:



## Example:

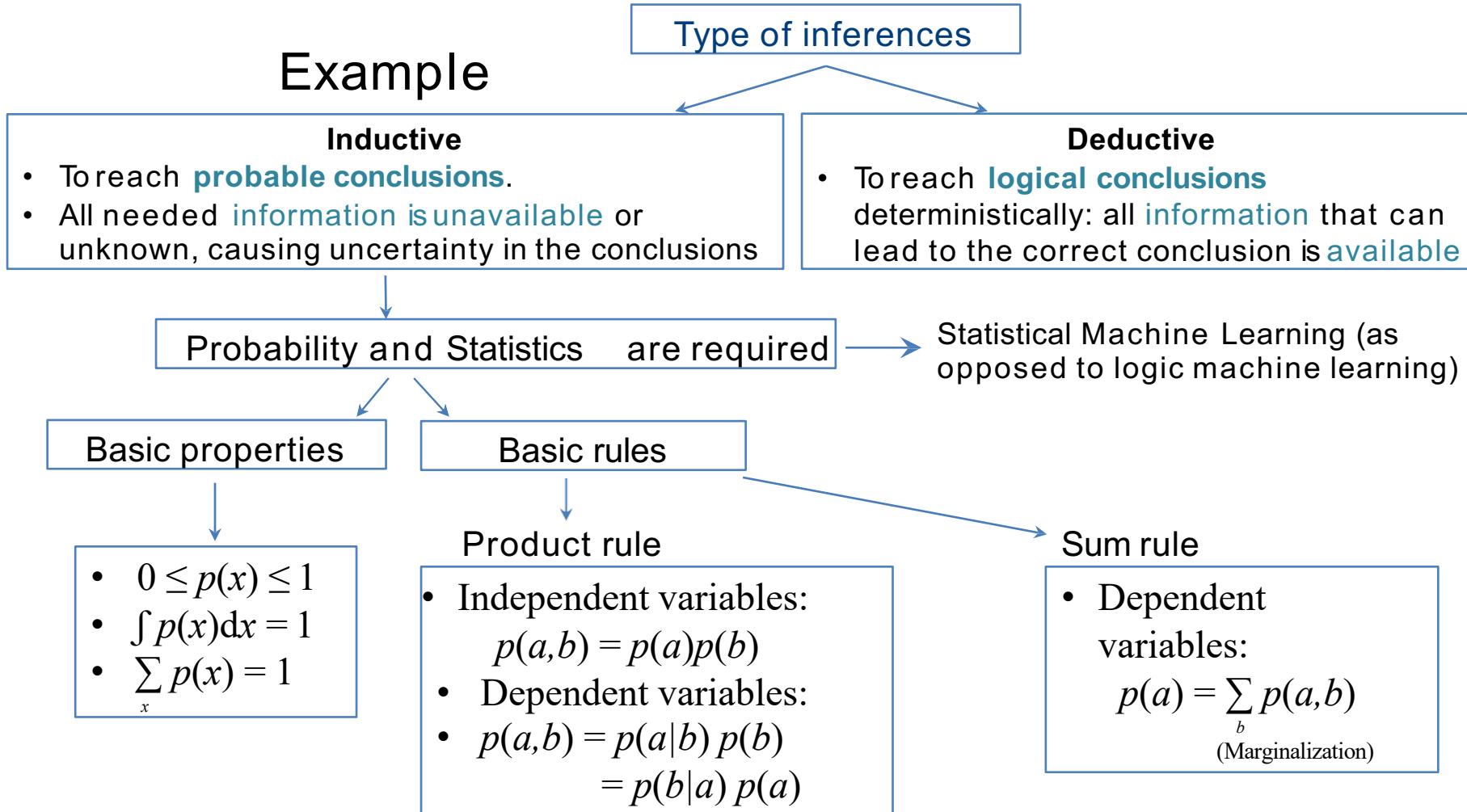
Minimize  $\|\mathbf{w}\|$   
subject to  $y_i(\mathbf{w}\mathbf{x}_i - b) \geq 1$   
for  $i = 1, \dots, m$



\* Constraint Optimization is out of scope of this course.

# Inductive vs. Deductive Reasoning

Main task of Machine Learning: to make inferences



# Inductive Reasoning

Note: humans use inductive reasoning all the time and not in a formal way like using probability/statistics.



*A cartoon comment on inductive reasoning*

Ref: Gardener, Martin (March 1979). "[MATHEMATICAL GAMES: On the fabric of inductive logic, and some probability paradoxes](#)" (PDF). [Scientific American](#). 234

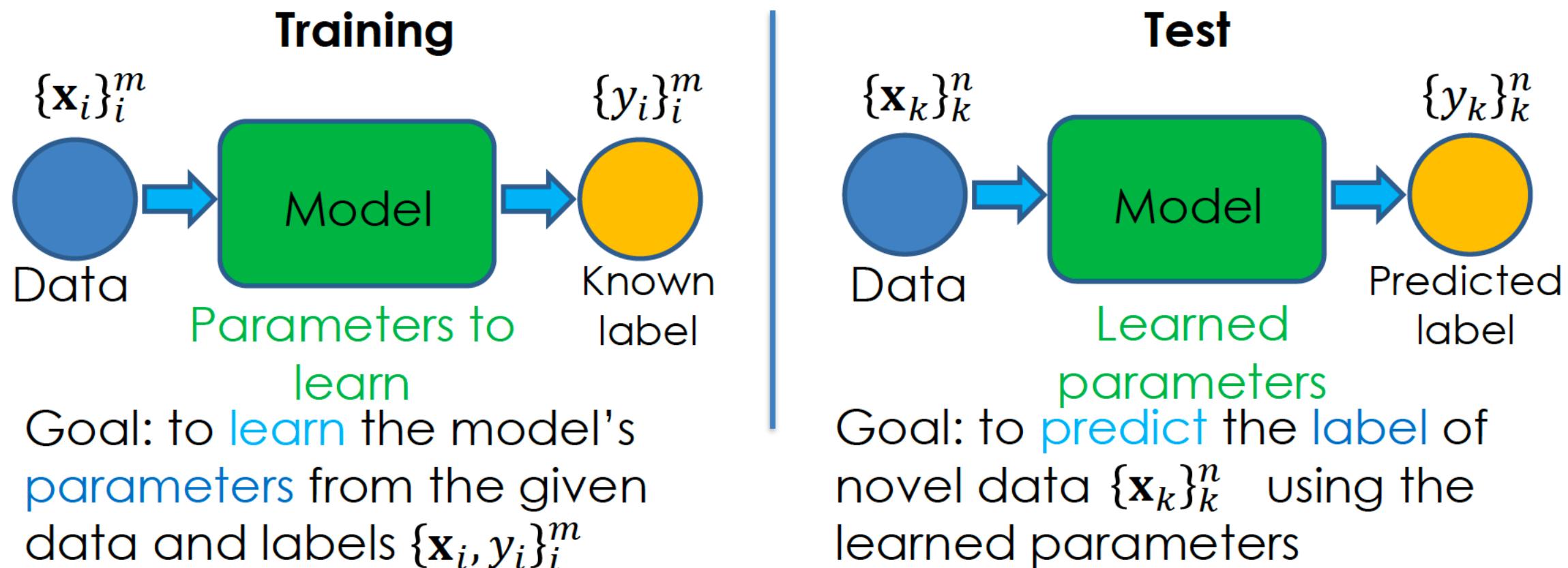
Determine whether each of the following is “inductive” or “deductive” reasoning?

- (a) The first coin I pulled from the bag is a penny. The second and the third coins from the bag are also pennies. Therefore, all the coins in the bag are pennies.
- (b) All men are mortal. Harold is a man. Therefore, Harold is mortal.

# How Supervised Learning Works

## What is the underlying Assumption?

The pipeline:

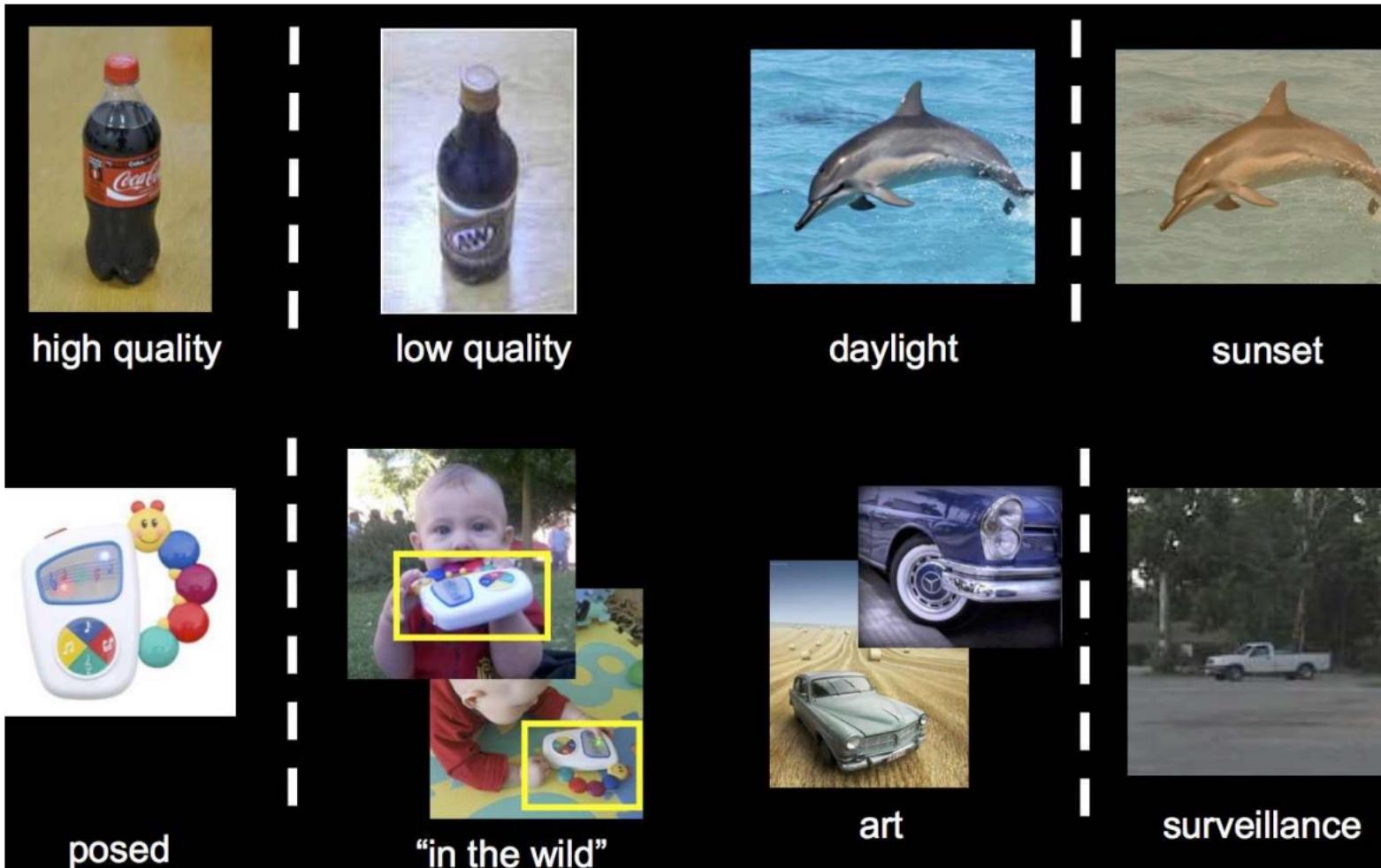


# Transfer Learning

## Real-life challenges

1. Deep learning methods are data-hungry
2. >50K data items needed for training
3. The distributions of the source and target data must be the same
4. Labeled data in the target domain may be limited
5. This problem is typically addressed with **transfer learning**

# Hard to predict what will change in the new domain



[Xu,Saenko,Tsang, Domain Transfer Tutorial - CVPR'12]

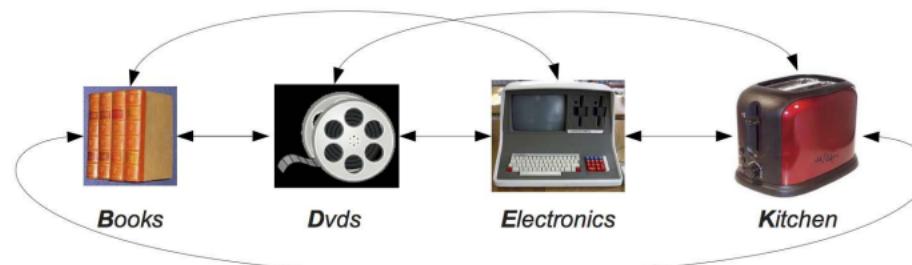
# Natural Language Processing

Text are represented by “words” (Bag of Words)

- Part of Speech Tagging: Adapt a tagger learned from medical papers to a journal (Wall Street Journal) - Newsgroup

Biomedical	WSJ
the <b>signal</b> required to	<b>investment</b> <i>required</i>
stimulatory <b>signal</b> from	<b>buyouts</b> <i>from</i> buyers
essential <b>signal</b> for	to jail <i>for</i> violating

- Spam detection: Adapt a classifier from one mailbox to another

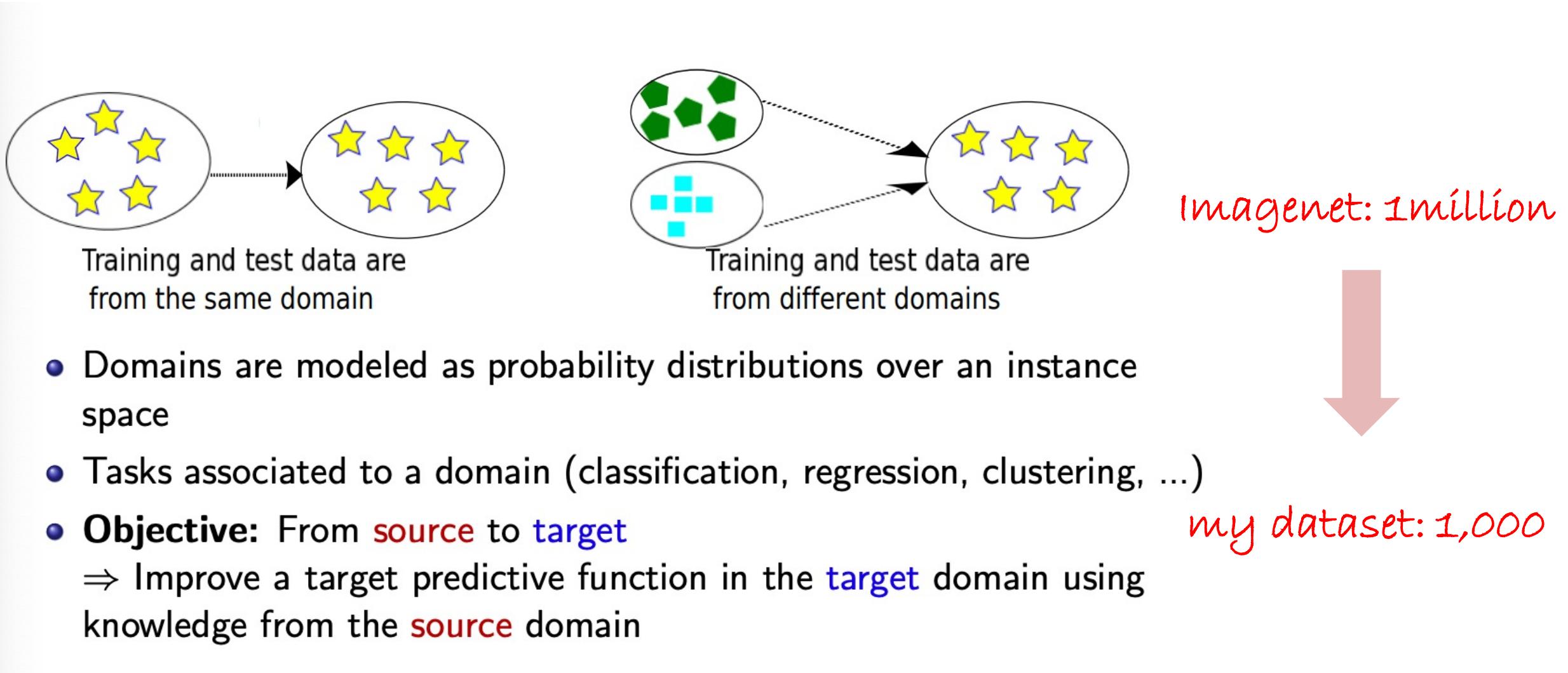


- Sentiment analysis:

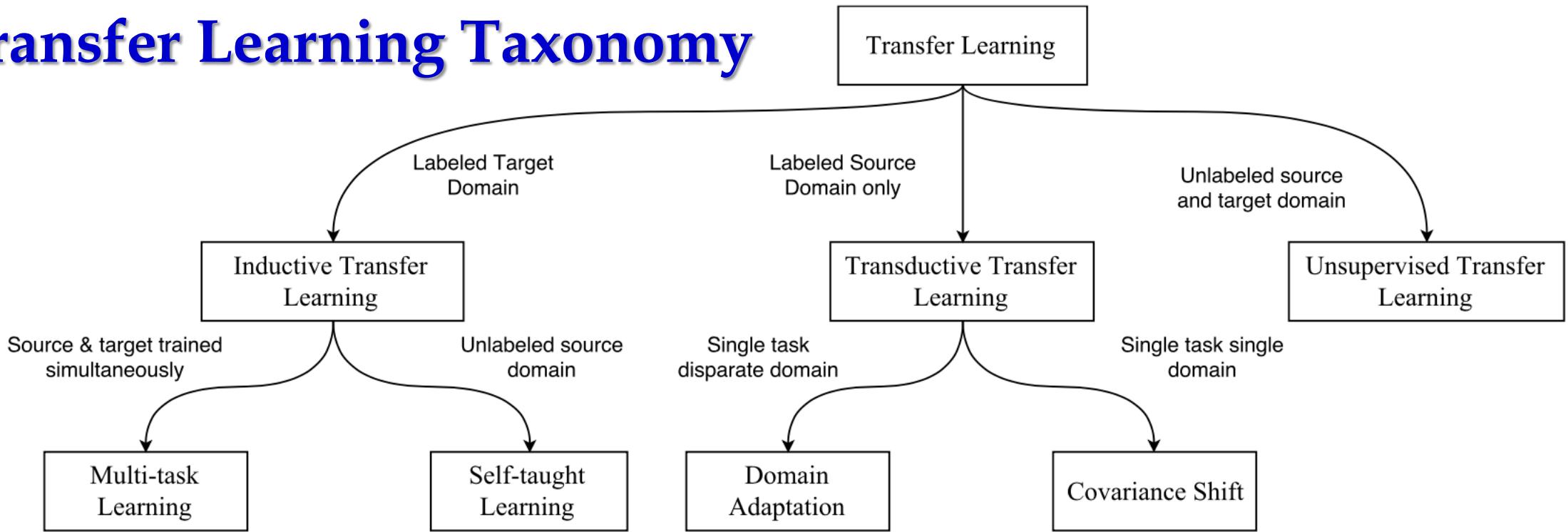
## Domain Adaptation for sentiment analysis - ex [Pan-IJCAI'13 tutorial]

	Electronics	Video games
	(1) <u>Compact</u> ; easy to operate; very good picture quality; looks <u>sharp</u> !	(2) A very <u>good</u> game! It is action packed and full of excitement. I am very much <u>hooked</u> on this game.
	(3) I purchased this unit from Circuit City and I was very <u>excited</u> about the quality of the picture. It is really <u>nice</u> and <u>sharp</u> .	(4) Very <u>realistic</u> shooting action and good plots. We played this and were <u>hooked</u> .
	(5) It is also quite <u>blurry</u> in very dark settings. I will <u>never_buy</u> HP again.	(6) It is so boring. I am extremely <u>unhappy</u> and will probably <u>never_buy</u> UbiSoft again.

- Source specific: *compact, sharp, blurry*.
- Target specific: *hooked, realistic, boring*.
- Domain independent: *good, excited, nice, never\_buy, unhappy*.



# Transfer Learning Taxonomy



## Transductive transfer

No labeled target domain data available

Focus of most transfer research

E.g. Domain adaptation

## Inductive transfer

Labeled target domain data available

Goal: improve performance on the target task by training on other task(s)

Jointly training on >1 task (multi-task learning)

Pre-training (e.g. word embeddings)

# Transfer Learning .. questions to consider

What to transfer

Instances?

Model?

Features?

How to transfer

Weight instances

Unify features

Map model

When to transfer .. In which situations?

Faster to transfer or to retrain?

# Transfer Learning .. ConvNets are good ..

Even if dataset  $\mathcal{T}$  is not large, *can train a CNN for it!!!*

First pre-train a network on dataset  $\mathcal{S}$ .

Approaches:

*fine-tuning..*

*CNN as feature extractor*

# Transfer Learning .. using $\mathcal{S}$ initialization

Assume parameters of  $\mathcal{S}$  are a good start, near final local optimum.

Use them as initial parameters for the new **CNN** for target dataset.

$$w^{t=0} \mathcal{T}_{,l} = w \mathcal{S}_{,l} \text{ for some layers } l = 1, 2, \dots$$

This is a good solution when dataset  $\mathcal{T}$  is relatively small..

e.g. for ImageNet  $\mathcal{S}$  with approximately 1 million images and  
a dataset  $\mathcal{T}$  with more than a few thousand images → should be *OK*

*what layers to initialize and how?*

# When to finetune your model?

New dataset is small and similar to original dataset.

train a linear classifier on the CNN codes

New dataset is large and similar to the original dataset

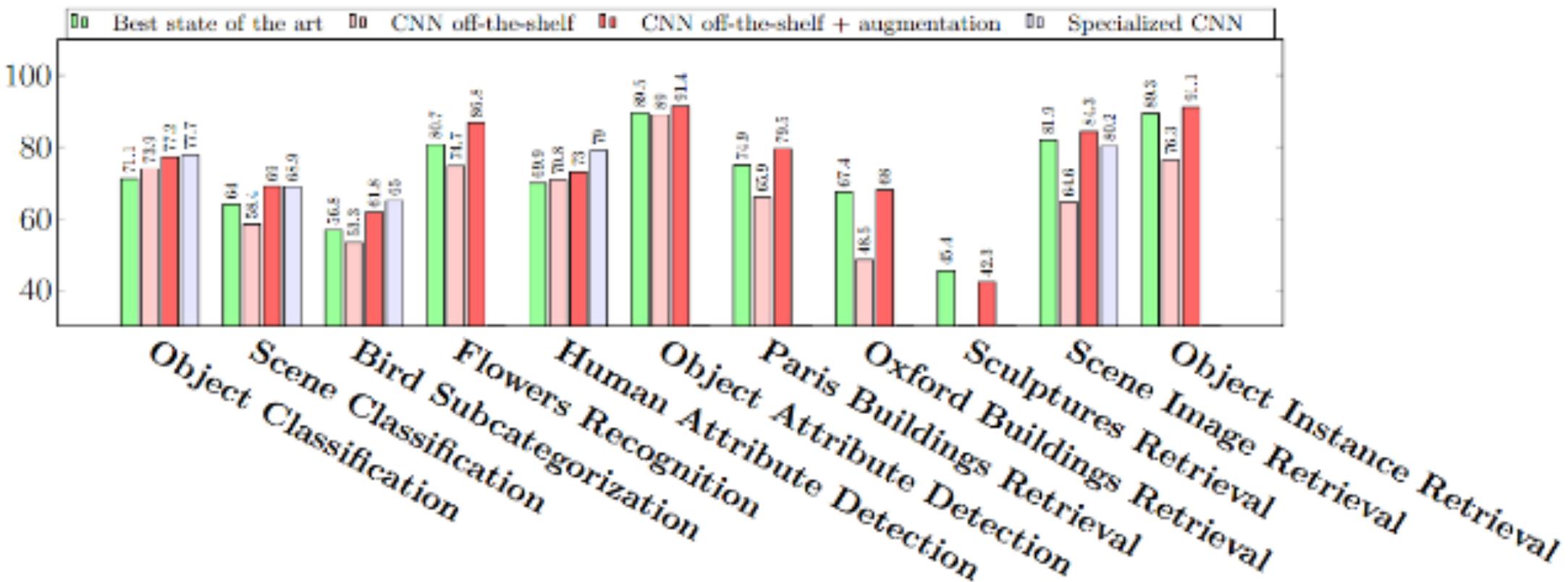
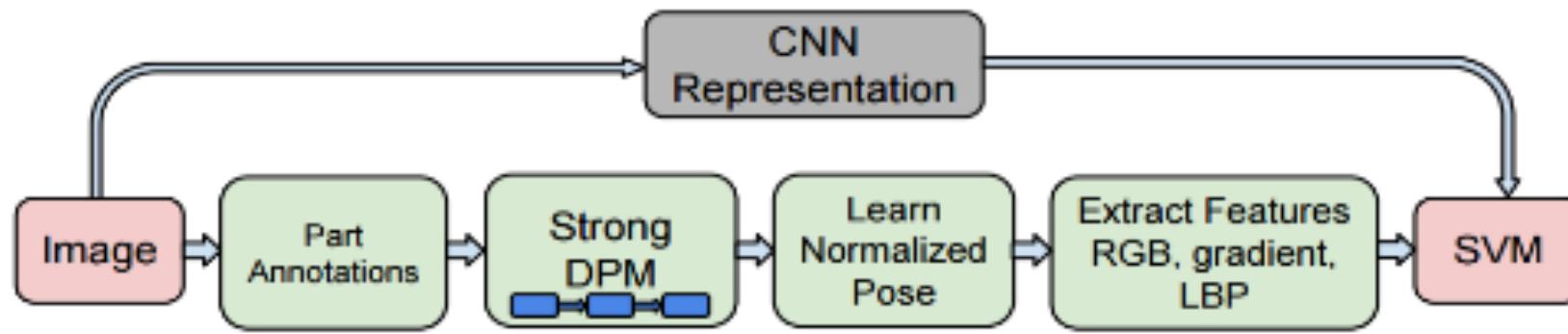
fine-tune through the full network

New dataset is small but very different from the original dataset

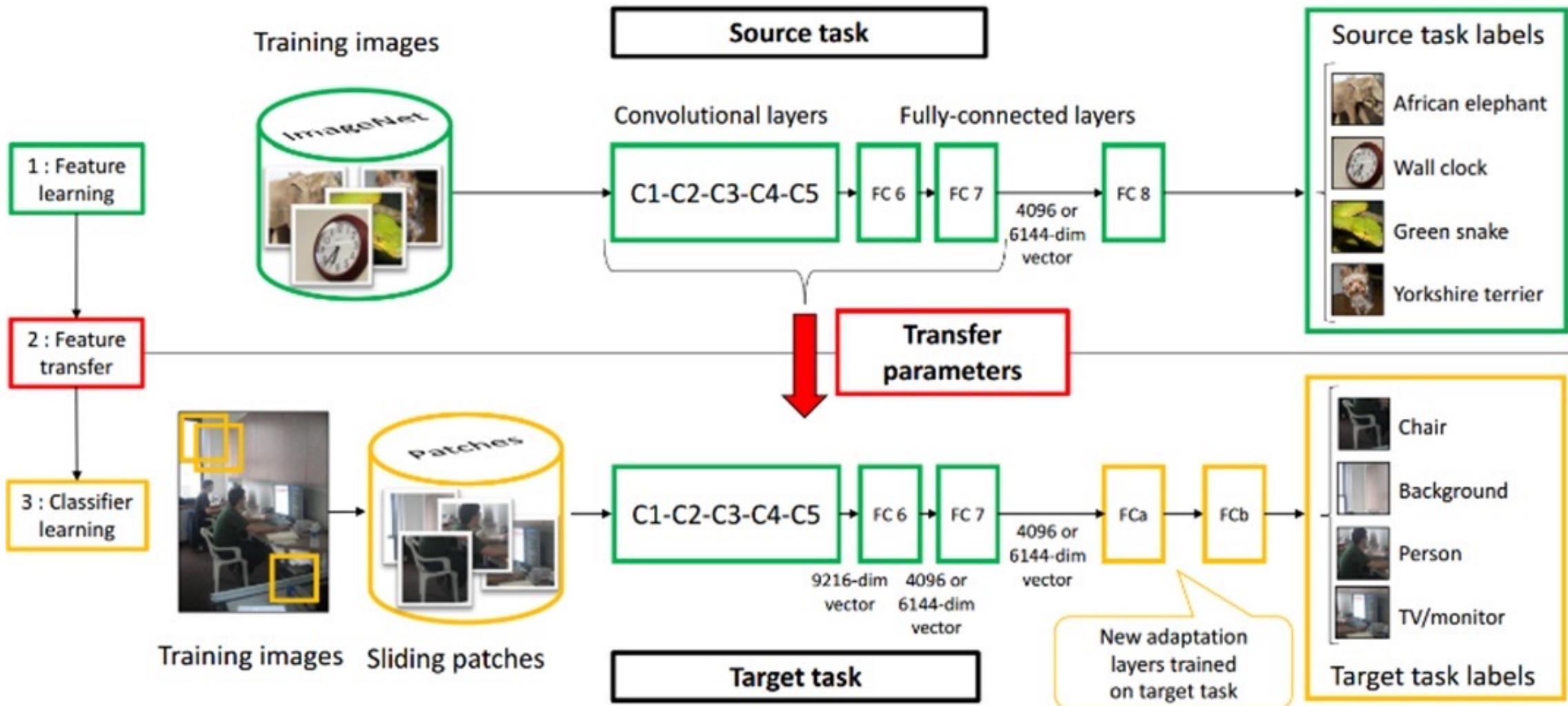
SVM classifier from activations somewhere earlier in the network

New dataset is large and very different from the original dataset

fine-tune through the entire network

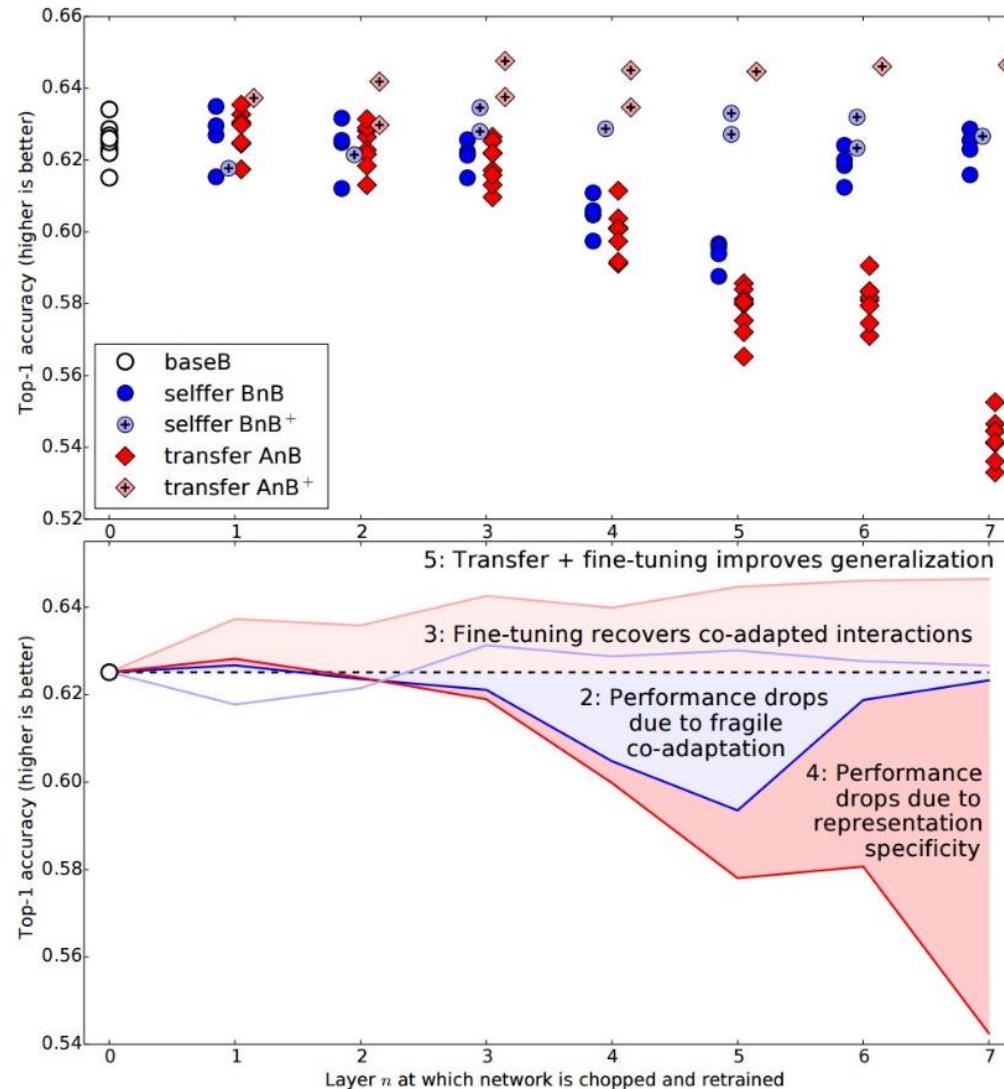
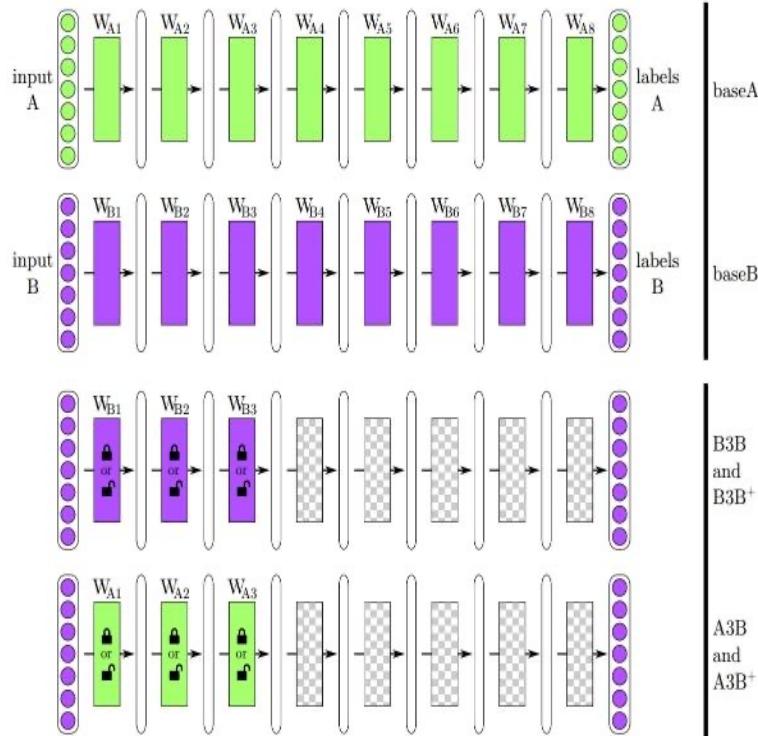


CNN Features off-the-shelf: an Astounding Baseline for Recognition  
[\[Razavian et al. 2014\]](#)



Learning and Transferring Mid-Level Image Representations using  
Convolutional Neural Networks [Oquab et al. CVPR 2014]

# How transferable are features in CNN?



How transferable are features in deep neural networks [[Yosinski NIPS 2014](#)]