

Artificial Intelligence

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Thinking Machines

- Are there tasks which cannot easily be automated? If so, what are the limitations?
- How do computers abilities compare to that of humans?

What is an AI?



Computers versus humans

- A computer can do some things better than a human can
 - Adding a thousand four-digit numbers
 - Drawing complex, 3D images
 - Store and retrieve massive amounts of data
- However, there are things humans can do much better.

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A computer would have difficulty identifying the cat, or matching it to another picture of a cat.

Computer or human?

- Which of the following occupations could (or should) be performed by computers?
 - Postman
 - Bookstore clerk
 - Librarian
 - Doctor
 - Lawyer
 - Judge
 - Professor

Thinking Machines

Artificial intelligence (AI)

The study of computer systems that attempt to model and apply the intelligence of the human mind

For example, writing a program to pick out objects in a picture

First things first...

- Of course, first we have to understand why we use the term “intelligence” in regard to humans.
 - What defines “intelligence”?
 - Why is it that we assume humans are intelligent?
 - Are monkeys intelligent? Dogs? Ants? Pine trees?

Early History

- In 1950 English mathematician Alan Turing wrote a landmark paper titled “Computing Machinery and Intelligence” that asked the question: “Can machines think?”
- Further work came out of a 1956 workshop at Dartmouth sponsored by John McCarthy. In the proposal for that workshop, he coined the phrase a “study of artificial intelligence”

Can Machines Think?

- So Turing asked: “Can machines think?” He felt that such machines would eventually be constructed.
- But he also realized a bigger problem. How would we know if we’ve succeeded?

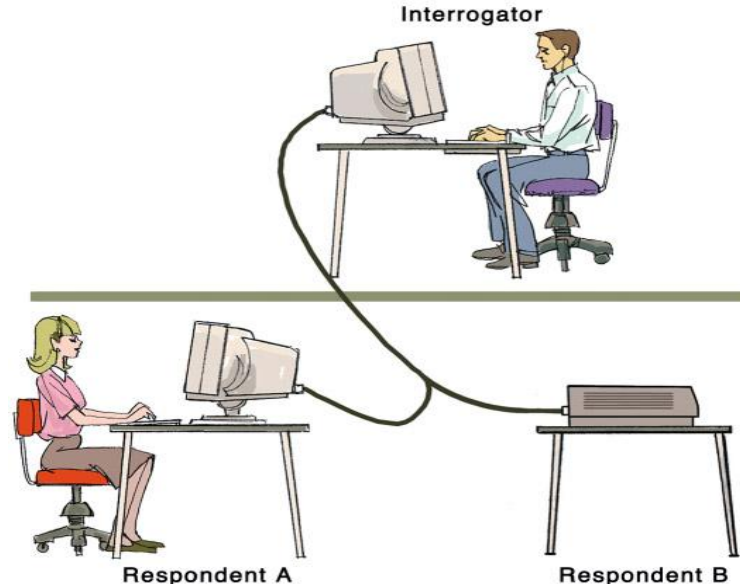
The Turing Test

Turing test

A test to empirically determine whether a computer has achieved intelligence

Figure 13.2

In a Turing test, the interrogator must determine which respondent is the computer and which is the human



The Turing Test

- Passing the Turing Test does not truly show that the machine was thinking. It simply shows that it generated behavior consistent with thinking.
- **weak equivalence:** the two systems (human and computer) are equivalent in **results** (output), but they do not necessarily arrive at those results in the same way
- **Strong equivalence:** the two systems use the same internal processes to produce results

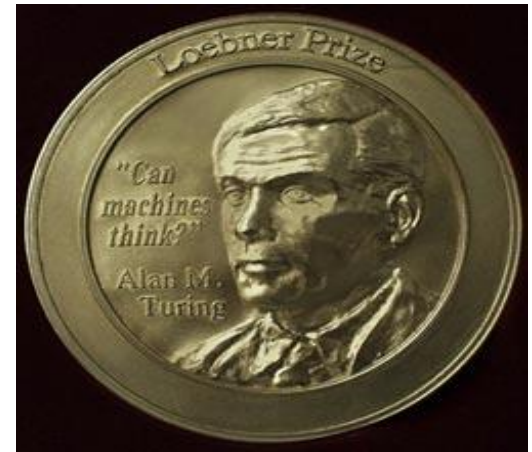
The Turing Test

Loebner prize

The first formal instantiation of the Turing test, held annually

Chatbots

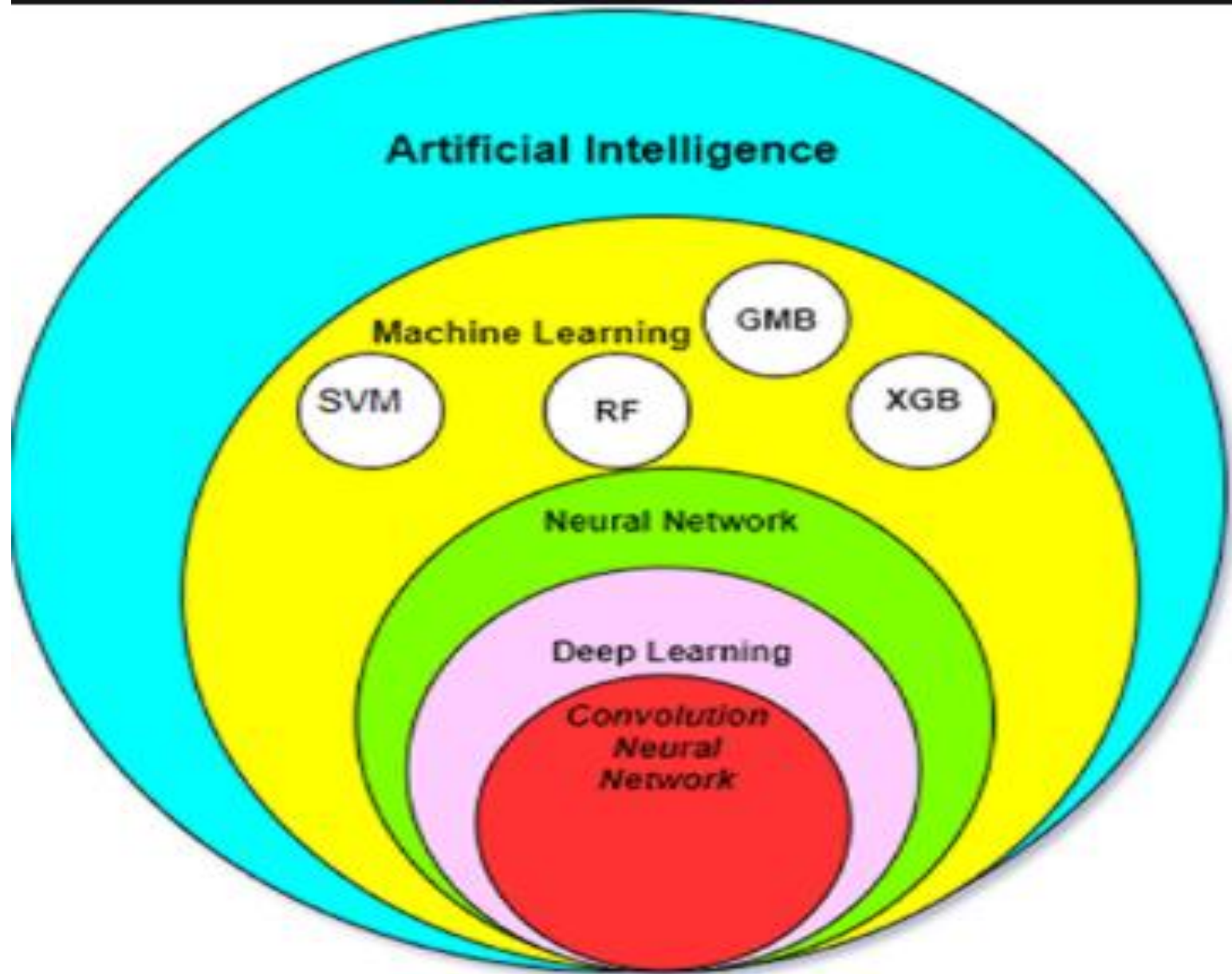
A program designed to carry on a conversation with a human user



Knowledge Representation

- We want to compare the way that computers and humans work to see if we can better understand why each have their (computational) strengths.
 - Processing Models
 - Knowledge Representation
 - Reasoning

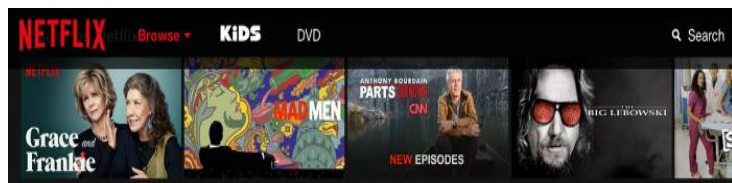
INTRODUCTION TO Machine Learning



Machine Learning (ML)

- ML is a branch of artificial intelligence:
 - Uses computing based systems to make sense out of data
 - Extracting patterns, fitting data to functions, classifying data, etc
 - ML systems can learn and improve
 - With historical data, time and experience
 - Bridges theoretical computer science and real noise data.

ML in real-life



Trending Now



Watch It Again



10 active competitions


Sort By Prize

Active All Entered

Main Site

All Eval Metrics

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Predicting Red Hat Business Value

Classify customer potential

A month to go • **Featured**

1,202 teams
1,062 kernels
\$50,000




Bosch Production Line Performance

Reduce manufacturing failures

3 months to go • **Featured**

84 teams
\$30,000




TalkingData Mobile User Demographics

Get to know millions of mobile device users

13 days to go • **Featured**

1,479 teams
2,446 kernels
\$25,000




Grupo Bimbo Inventory Demand

Maximize sales and minimize returns of bakery goods

7 days to go • **Featured**

1,955 teams
2,714 kernels
\$25,000



Digit Recognizer

Classify handwritten digits using the famous MNIST data

4 months to go • **Getting Started**

1,028 teams
5,710 kernels
Knowledge

Big Data

- Widespread use of personal computers and wireless communication leads to “big data”
- We are both producers and consumers of data
- Data is not random, it has structure, e.g., customer behavior
- We need “big theory” to extract that structure from data for
 - (a) Understanding the process
 - (b) Making predictions for the future

Why “Learn” ?

- Machine learning is programming computers to optimize a performance criterion using example data or past experience.
- There is no need to “learn” to calculate payroll
- Learning is used when:
 - Human expertise does not exist (navigating on Mars),
 - Humans are unable to explain their expertise (speech recognition)
 - Solution changes in time (routing on a computer network)
 - Solution needs to be adapted to particular cases (user biometrics)

What We Talk About When We Talk About “Learning”

- Learning general models from a data of particular examples
- Data is cheap and abundant (data warehouses, data marts); knowledge is expensive and scarce.
- Example in retail: Customer transactions to consumer behavior:
*People who bought “Blink” also bought “Outliers”
(www.amazon.com)*
- Build a model that is *a good and useful approximation* to the data.

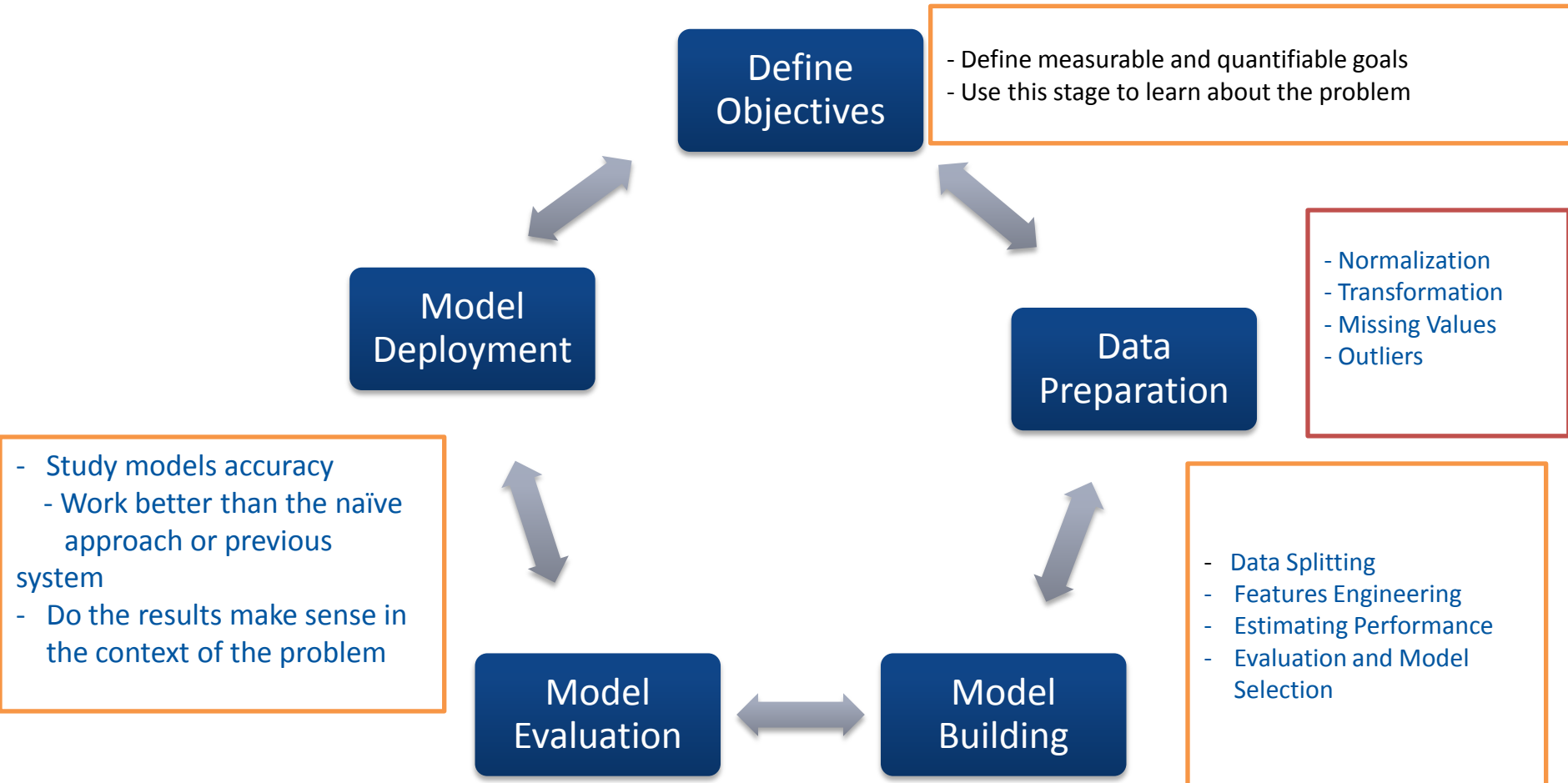
Data Mining

- Retail: Market basket analysis, Customer relationship management (CRM)
- Finance: Credit scoring, fraud detection
- Manufacturing: Control, robotics, troubleshooting
- Medicine: Medical diagnosis
- Telecommunications: Spam filters, intrusion detection
- Bioinformatics: Motifs, alignment
- Web mining: Search engines
- ...

What is Machine Learning?

- Optimize a performance criterion using example data or past experience.
- Role of Statistics: Inference from a sample
- Role of Computer science: Efficient algorithms to
 - Solve the optimization problem
 - Representing and evaluating the model for inference

Machine Learning as a Process



Applications

- Association
- Supervised Learning
 - Classification
 - Regression
- Unsupervised Learning
- Reinforcement Learning

ISSUES:

- Asking the wrong question
- Trying to solve the wrong problem
- Not having enough data
- Not having the right data
- Having too much data
- Hiring the wrong people
- Using the wrong tools
- Not having the right model
- Not having the right yardstick

Challenges



- Not enough training data.
- Poor Quality of data.
- Irrelevant features.
- Nonrepresentative training data.
- Overfitting and Underfitting.