

Machine Intelligence 1

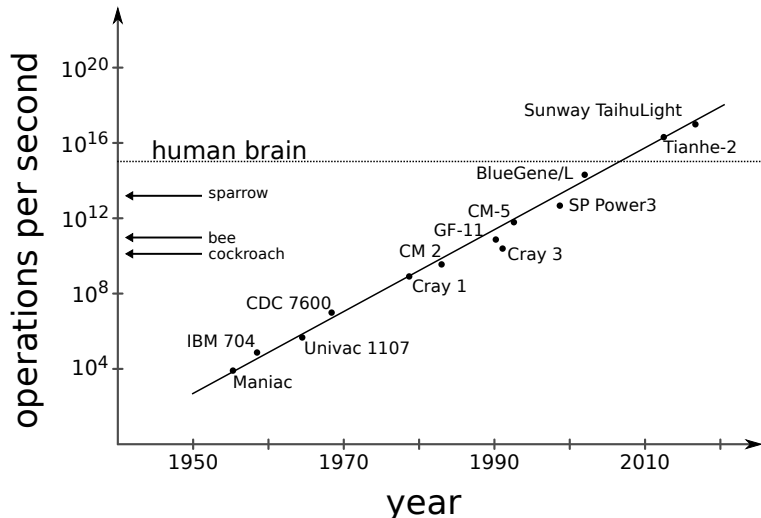
1.1 Introduction

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Moore's law



Brains vs. machines

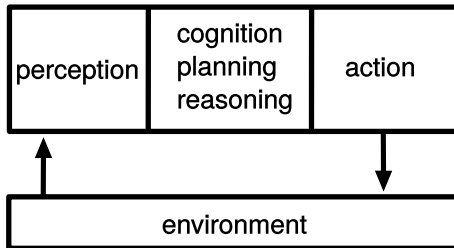
Brains are good where machines are bad:

- pattern recognition (images, audio, touch, multimodal data, but also abstract patterns)
- communication (language, speech)
- categorization and classification
- model building, inference and prediction
- control (robots, plants, software agents)

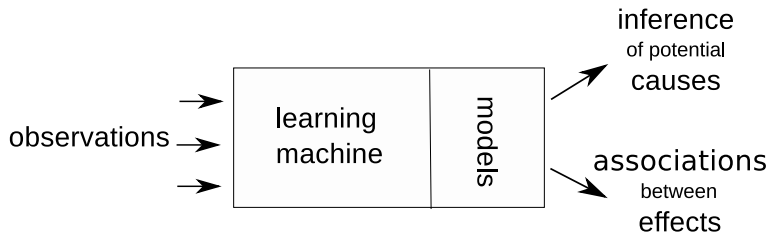
Machines are good where brains are bad:

- calculus
- chess
- manipulating symbols/strings

Machine intelligence: embedded agents

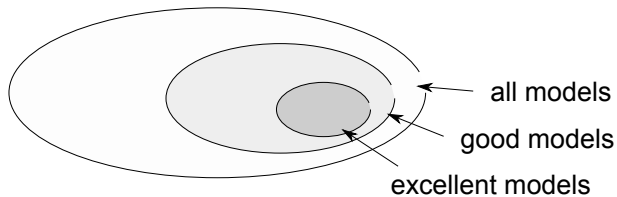


Learning to predict



- inductive learning: learning from examples

Learning as model selection



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data representation



model class



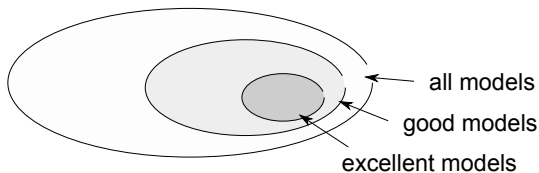
performance measure



optimization



validation



Supervised learning: "learning with a teacher"

Observations:

- series of observations: $\underline{\mathbf{x}}^{(1)}, \underline{\mathbf{x}}^{(2)}, \dots, \underline{\mathbf{x}}^{(p)}$
- corresponding labels/targets: $y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(p)}$

Goal:

- predict the label/target of new (previously unseen) observation

Application:

- classification
- regression

Unsupervised learning: "self-organization"

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Goal:

- build a *useful* representation of observations $\underline{\mathbf{x}}$
- extract relevant structure of observations $\underline{\mathbf{x}}$

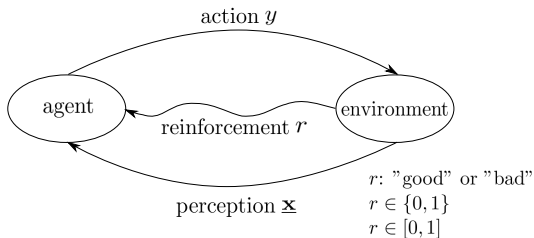
Application:

- dimensionality reduction
- clustering
- categorization
- source separation

Reinforcement learning: "learning behavior"

Observations:

- series of visited states: $\underline{x}^{(1)}, \underline{x}^{(2)}, \dots, \underline{x}^{(p)}$
- series of executed actions: $y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(p)}$
- series of experienced rewards: $r^{(1)}, r^{(2)}, \dots, r^{(p)}$



Goal:

- find for every state \underline{x} the action y that maximizes future reward

Learning paradigms

- phenomenological characterization of learning paradigms
- not at all based on mathematical principles (e.g. same inductive learning approaches for "supervised" and "unsupervised" problems)

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Learning theory and support vector machines

- Statistical learning theory
- Support vector machines (SVMs) & the kernel trick
- Learning and generalization with SVMs

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Reinforcement learning

- Markov decision processes
- Policy evaluation
- Policy improvement
- Exploration and exploitation
- Approximate RL and deep end-to-end learning

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Probability density estimation

- Parametric & nonparametric density estimation
- Maximum likelihood estimation

Textbooks for Machine Intelligence I

- Bertsekas: *Dynamic Programming and Optimal Control*, Vol. 1&2, Athena Scientific, 4rd Ed., 2012 & 2017*.
- Bishop: *Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning*, Springer-Verlag, 2006.
- Cowell, Dawid, Lauritzen & Spiegelhalter: *Probabilistic Networks and Expert Systems*, Springer Verlag, 1999*.
- Duda, Hart & Stock: *Pattern Classification*, Wiley, 2000.
- Goodfellow, Bengio & Courville: *Deep Learning*, MIT Press, 2016*.
- Haykin: *Neural Networks*, Prentice Hall, 1998.
- Jordan (Editor): *Learning in Graphical Models*, MIT Press, 1999*.
- Schölkopf & Smola: *Learning with Kernels*, MIT Press 2002.
- Sutton & Barto: *Reinforcement Learning: an Introduction*. MIT Press, 1998.
- Russel & Norvig: *Artificial Intelligence*, Prentice Hall, 2003, Chapters 13 und 14.
- Vapnik: *Statistical Learning Theory*, Wiley, 1998*.
- Wiering & van Otterlo (Editors): *Reinforcement Learning: State-of-the-Art*, Springer, 2012*.

* advanced readings

Advanced reading for MI1 chapters (1)

① Artificial Neural Networks

- 1.1 Introduction and General Comments: Haykin, Ch. 1
- 1.2 Connectionist Neurons: Haykin, Chs. 1.3, 1.4
- 1.3 Multilayer Perceptrons: Haykin, Ch. 4;
Bishop, Chs. 5.1-5.5; Duda et al., Ch. 6.1-6.5
- 1.4 Learning and Generalization: Haykin, Ch. 4;
Bishop, Ch. 3.2; Duda et al., Ch. 6.8, 6.9
- 1.5 Deep learning: Goodfellow et al., Chs. 7-9
- 1.6 Recurrent networks: Haykin, Chs. 13-15; Goodfellow et al., Ch. 10;
- 1.7 Radial Basis Function Networks: Haykin, Ch. 5

② Learning Theory and Support Vector Machines

- 2.1 Elements of Statistical Learning Theory: Haykin, Ch. 2.14;
Schölkopf & Smola, Ch. 5
- 2.2 Support Vector Machines: Haykin, Ch. 6; Bishop, Ch. 7.1; Schölkopf & Smola, Chs. 2, 7, 10.5, and - more advanced but useful - Ch. 13

Advanced reading for MI1 chapters (2)

③ Probabilistic Methods

- 3.1 Bayesian Inference: Russel & Norvik, Ch. 13
- 3.2 Graphical Models and Bayesian Networks: Bishop, Ch. 8; Russel & Norvik, Ch. 14, and - advanced but complete with all proofs - Cowell et al., Chs. 3-6
- 3.3 Artificial Neural Networks and the Generative Model Approach: Bishop, Chs. 3.4, 3.5; Duda et al., Chs. 3.3-3.5

④ Reinforcement Learning

- 4.1 Evaluation: Sutton & Barto, Chs. 3-7; Bertsekas, Vol 1; Haykin, Ch. 12
- 4.2 Improvement: Sutton & Barto: Ch. 6.5; Haykin, Ch. 12
Exploration: Sutton & Barto, Ch. 2; Wiering & van Otterlo: Ch 6
Approximation: Sutton & Barto, Ch. 8; Bertsekas, Vol. 2, Ch. 6;
Wiering & van Otterlo, Ch. 3

End of Section 1.1

the following slides contain

OPTIONAL MATERIAL

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leading-edge definition of AI

- "AI research is that which computing scientists do not know how to do cost-effectively today". (Wikipedia)

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- important part of many AI systems (\rightarrow extraction of knowledge)
- data driven, adaptive systems
- programming & deduction vs. **learning & self-organization**
- symbolic approaches vs. **sub-symbolic approaches**
 - biologically inspired learning rules
 - (knowledge bases & reasoning vs. easy & robust learning rules, Hebb)
- Many problems involve uncertainty \rightarrow Probability & Decision theory

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Main Topics

- Learning / prediction & generalization of statistical relationships
- Statistical inference in graphical models
- Finding structure in high dimensional data sets

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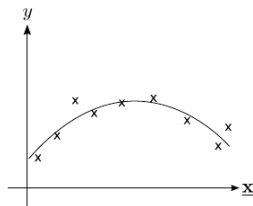
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Design Principles from Biology

- simple, but highly optimized hardware (echolocation in bats, sound localization in barn owls, ultra fast face recognition)
- Plasticity (synaptic strength, lifelong renewal of cells in the olfactory system) drifting environments,
- Adaptation in sensory systems
- Graceful degradation

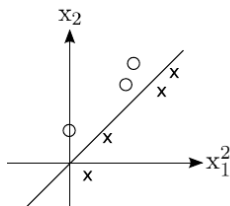
Illustration of ML1 paradigms

Regression



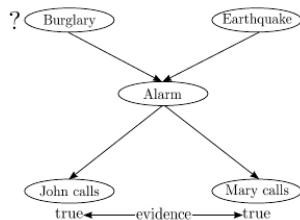
predict value y
given \underline{x}

Classification



predict label y
given \underline{x}

Inference



predict $p(\text{Burglary})$
given evidence

Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs)

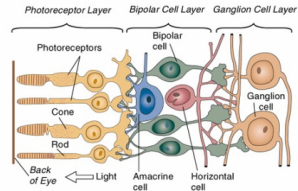
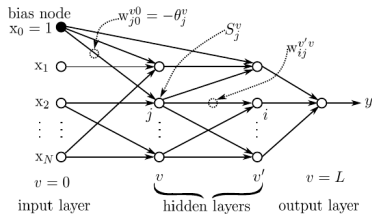
ANNs are ...

- ... useful for Regression and Classification
- ... brain *inspired* model architectures (McCulloch & Pitts, 1943)
- ... built from simple elements (→ connectionist neurons)
- with low precision & robustness (→ binary, noisy)
- ... massively parallel systems (→ “networks”)

Consequences

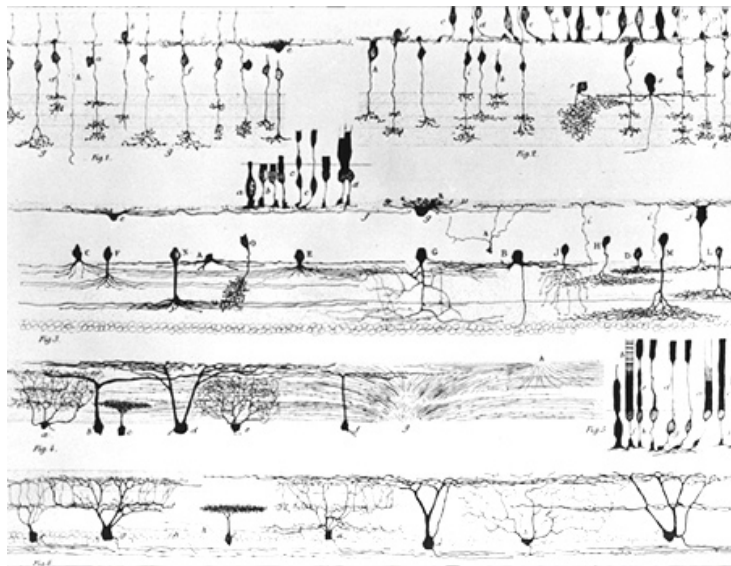
- Distributed representation of information
- No clear separation between “data” and “program”

ANNs & brain style computation

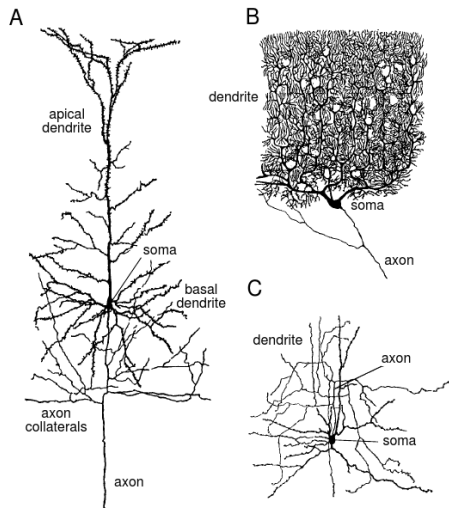


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Retinal cells (Ramon y Cajal)



Excitatory cortical cells



from Dayan & Abbott (2001)