

CSCE 590-1: Trusted AI

Lecture 25: Human AI Collaboration

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Organization of Lecture 25

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Introductory Segment

Schedule Snapshot

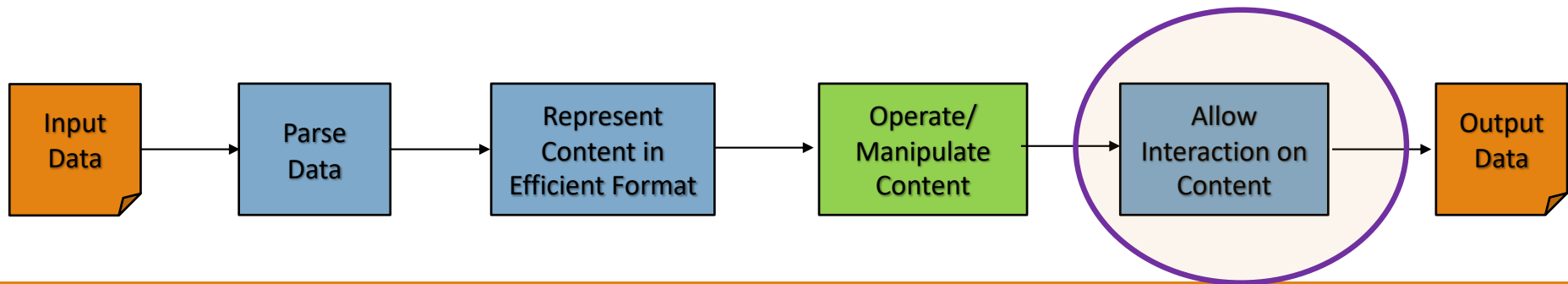


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Recap of Lecture 24

- We looked at how to evaluate explanation methods
- AI and testing has two connotations
 - How AI has been used for software testing ?
 - How software testing for AI has to be done?
- We looked at current testing practices
- There is need for randomized control trial to build lasting trust in AI

Main Segment



Human AI Collaboration

What is the role of humans in the presence of AI in the same environment?

An Unstable Collaboration

Human over AI

- Common AI tools for image, speech and text tools (translators)
- Vehicles: Cruise control, Park Assist

AI over Human

- Self parking of car*
- Automated trading*
- Cognitive biases in human decision making**

Objection: *When have humans liked control over them?*

Human and AI as equal collaborators is ambiguous

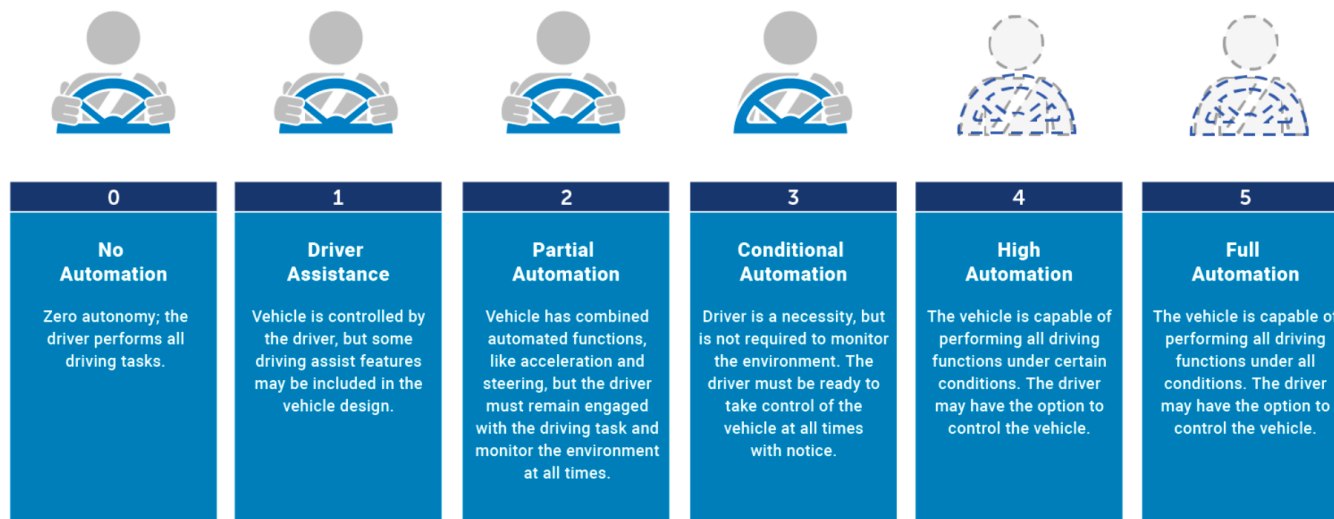
What does this mean in a practical sense ? No clear answer.

- ***Human AI Collectives**, By N. R. Jennings, L. Moreau, D. Nicholson, S. Ramchurn, S. Roberts, T. Rodden, A. Rogers, Communications of the ACM, December 2014, Vol. 57 No. 12, Pages 80-88, 10.1145/2629559, <https://cacm.acm.org/magazines/2014/12/180791-human-agent-collectives/fulltext>
- **** Thinking, Fast and Slow** by Daniel Kahneman, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thinking,_Fast_and_Slow

Misleading Levels of Automation for Vehicles

SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS (SAE) AUTOMATION LEVELS

Full Automation



Sources:

- SAE: <https://www.nhtsa.gov/technology-innovation/automated-vehicles>
- * Consumer Report: <https://www.consumerreports.org/autonomous-driving/levels-of-car-automation/>

Questions:

- What is the problem being solved?
- Are humans ready to take over?

Recall the case when humans were not ready to take over?
Hint: A flying vehicle with professional drivers!

- Are you the **driver**, or are you a **passenger** in a self-driving car?*

Fear:

- Getting away with incompetence?
- Getting away with murder!

Getting Away – No One Is Responsible ?

Automobile manufacturer – No

- Outsourced development to a technology company or business arm

Automated control system

- “We handle X% cases”

Driver – human was not driving!

- Was unprepared to take control
- Hard to take control when automation was doing the rest and driver not involved in active role

Passenger

- No recourse.

Pedestrian

- Go figure !

Shifting Responsibility:

- What Happens When Self-Driving Cars Kill People?, <https://www.forbes.com/sites/cognitiveworld/2019/09/26/what-happens-with-self-driving-cars-kill-people/>
- Timothy Geary, David Danks, Balancing the Benefits of Autonomous Vehicles, AIES 2019

A Multi-Stakeholder Approach is Needed for Trusted Technology

- Domain technology vendor:
 - Car manufacturer
 - Suppliers
- Automation technology vendor
- Consumer/ user
- Government body
 - Public safety
 - Legal
 - Taxation
 - Societal-impact
- Scientific community
- Education community

Illustration for cars

Components of Trust for AI

1. Competent – does what it is supposed to do
2. Reliable – including, well tested
3. Upholds human values
 1. Fairly and ethically used
 2. Adequate data management & preserves privacy
4. Allows human-technology interaction
 1. Explainable, transparent
 2. How does the system give its result?

	AI – Word Tag Cloud	AI – Image Search	AI – Self-driving Car	AI-powered Chatbot: Medical Guide
Competent	x	x	?	x
Reliable	x	?	?	?
Upholds human values	?	?	?	?
Allows human interaction	x	x	?	?

x: yes; -: not applicable; ?: questionable

Collaborative Assistants, aka Chatbots

Chatbots - Background

- Conversation agents and interfaces (chatbots) are getting easy to build and deploy
 - Can be text-based or speech-based
 - Usually multi-modal (i.e, involving text, speech, vision, document, maps)
- Current chatbots typically interact with a single user at a time and conduct
 - Informal conversation, or
 - Task-oriented activities like answer a user's questions or provide recommendations

Demonstrations

- *Eliza*, <http://www.manifestation.com/neurotoys/eliza.php3>
- *Mitsuku*, <https://www.pandorabots.com/mitsuku/>

Current State

- Handle uncertainties related to
 - Natural language
 - Human behavior
- Dialog Management
 - Reasoning on data's abstract representations (Inouye 2004)
 - Learning policies over predictable nature of data (Young et al. 2013)
 - Statistical machine learning for dialog management: its history (Crook 2018)
- Hype around potential
- User feedback is mixed
 - Novelty value for chit-chat but concerns about usability (e.g., Tay)
 - Deployed for customer support commonly but usage is often low (compared to other channels), capability is limited (usually single turn), and not considered the preferred channel of choice for most users

References:

- May A.I. Help You?, <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2018/11/14/magazine/tech-design-ai-chatbot.html>
- M. McTear, Z. Callejas, and D. Griol. Conversational interfaces: Past and present. In The Conversational Interface. Springer, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-32967-3_4, 2016.

Chatbots in Dynamic Environment

- Data changes, e.g. sensor data
- Groups of people, who come and go in environment
- Multi-modal interfaces, i.e., modes beyond conversation, like map, graphics and documents
- Dialog Management
 - Combination of learning and reasoning

S.No.	Dimension	Variety
1	User	1, multiple
2	Modality	only conversation, only speech, multi-modal (with point, map, ...)
3	Data source	none, static, dynamic
4	Personalized	no, yes
5	Form	virtual agent, physical device, robot
6	Purpose	socialize, goal: information seeker, goal: action delegate
7	Domains	general, health, water, traffic, ...

Everyday Scenarios - People

- Travel: “Which train can I take to office?”
 - Needs information about locations, train schedules and status, personal schedule
 - Category: information seeking
- Health: “Who can I see now for my pain in the stomach?”
 - Needs information about location, likely medical situation, medical specialties, doctors and health care providers in the vicinity, insurance and payment situation, availability of services
 - Category: information seeking, choosing among alternatives
- Social: “How do I meet my visiting friend with family at an evening?”
 - Needs information about schedule of friend’s family and mine, location of home and friend’s stay, capacity of home and restaurants in the area
 - Category: information seeking, choosing among alternatives, collaboration

Everyday Scenarios - Business

- Guidance
 - During data science
 - Rogers Jeffrey Leo John, Navneet Potti, Jignesh M. Patel, Ava: From Data to Insights Through Conversations. CIDR 2017
 - Skilling and professional development
- Collaboration and Mediation Decisions
 - Hiring a candidate
 - Scheduling an activity, e.g., medical operation
 - Merger and Acquisitions

Illustration: A Bot That Tells About Train Delays

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2. Himadri Mishra, Ramashish Gaurav, Biplav Srivastava, Train Status Assistant for Indian Railways, On Arxiv at: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.08509>, Sep 2018, Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a-ABv29H6XU> [Chatbot, Train delay assistant]

TDEBot

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is train 12312 on time today?



TDEBot, 3:29 PM

Train Number 12312 will be delayed by 278.0 minutes at HWH station on 2018-10-18

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Where is the bottleneck?



TDEBot, 3:29 PM

The bottleneck station is FTP causing delay of 90.2 minutes on 2018-10-18

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What is FTP?



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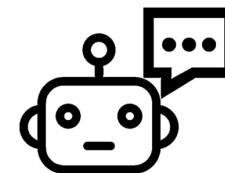
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What is the delay at Allahabad?



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Train 12312 will not be mitigated any more after station ALD on 2018-10-18. It will arrive even later by 52.0 minutes



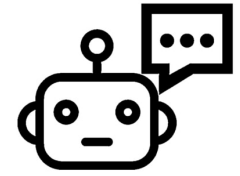
Rating of Chatbots

Biplav Srivastava, Francesca Rossi, Sheema Usmani, and Mariana Bernagozzi, Personalized Chatbot Trustworthiness Ratings, **IEEE Transactions on Technology and Society**, 2020. Pre-publication version on Arxiv - <https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.10067>, 2020.

Collaborative Assistants, i.e., Chatbots

Conversation assistants, a.k.a. chatbots, as example of customer-facing AI, are being built by businesses at rapid pace. Reasons:

- Better customer service
- Lower cost
- Novel applications



However, testing of chatbots is rudimentary

- Testing is done on **few utterances** and for a **few control paths**
- But no testing is done of bots for user concerns like bias, abusive language, information leakage, etc. These contribute to user trust and eventually, acceptance of chatbot by customers.
- Example of risk: Tay by Microsoft (2016) which turned abusive; Bias is a well-studied concern for chatbots (Henderson et al 2018).

Our approach

- Testing of a given chatbot by 3rd-party for trust.
- Trust can be gained by testing properties such as fairness, lack of information leakage, lack of abusive language, and adequate conversation complexity.

Illustration: A Seemingly Innocuous Chatbot

Potential Issues

- Leak information
- Abusive language
- Complex response

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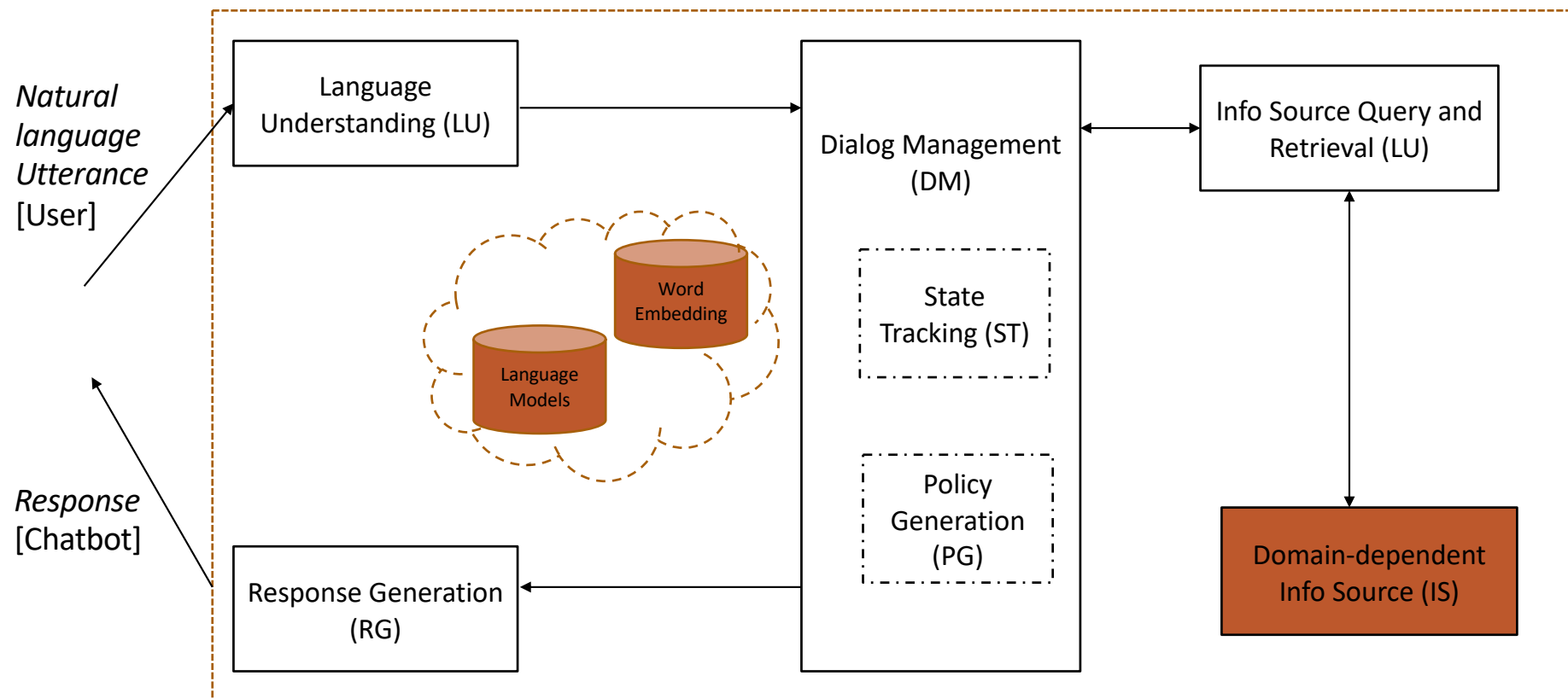
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Architecture: A Data-Driven Dialog System and Sources for Data Bias



Usually data sources are taken from 3rd party and can be a prominent source of bias.

Issues to Handle to Promote Trust

Types of issues

- **Leaking information:** agent may reveal information about one user (A) to other user (B) without user's (A's) permission
- **Abusive language:** agent may use improper language in the context of conversation
- **Bias:** agent may exhibit behavior considered biased with respect to some protected variable
- **Complex response:** agent may interact in a style considered incompatible with user
- ...

Stakeholder and what they care about

- Users: **Leaking information**, **abusive language**, **bias**
- Designers: **abusive language**, **bias**, **complex response**
- Data providers: **bias**

Illustration of Output by Issue Checkers

Bias	High	Score	Low	Score
Ubuntu	Mint seems better	1	no i just configured it	0
Insurance	Which Company Has The Best Retirement Plan?	1	What Does Split Limits Mean In Auto Insurance?	0
HR	Works pretty well needs some work with, better answers fantastic for simple questions and quick info	0.69	I need to search the intranet to find an answer to your question.	0.01
Restaurant	i hope prefer expensive restaurant	0.72	You are looking for a restaurant is that right?	0
Abuse	High	Score	Low	Score
Ubuntu	bazang is a f*g ¹	1	and then take a look at the iptables?	0
Insurance	no you not can get Life Insurance on a fetus the child have be born in most case at least 14 day old old before you can consider ...	1	Can A Life Insurance Claim Be Denied?	0
HR	Hi Chip, hoe do I setup Lotus notes?	0.5	I don't know the answer to your question. Let me try to find it on the intranet for you.	0
Restaurant	-	-	pizza hut cherry hinton is a great restaurant	0
Complexity	High	Score	Low	Score
Ubuntu	sudo adduser user group	1	that's my impressions	0.25
Insurance	will homeowners insurance cover flooring?	1	what are some examples of annuities?	0.5
HR	are company email addresses case sensitive?	0.92	where am i?	0.33
Restaurant	the lucky star serves Chinese food	0.94	coke it is	0.33

High-Level Approach Description

As a 3rd party, test a given chatbot for non-functional characteristics and assign a rating of trust

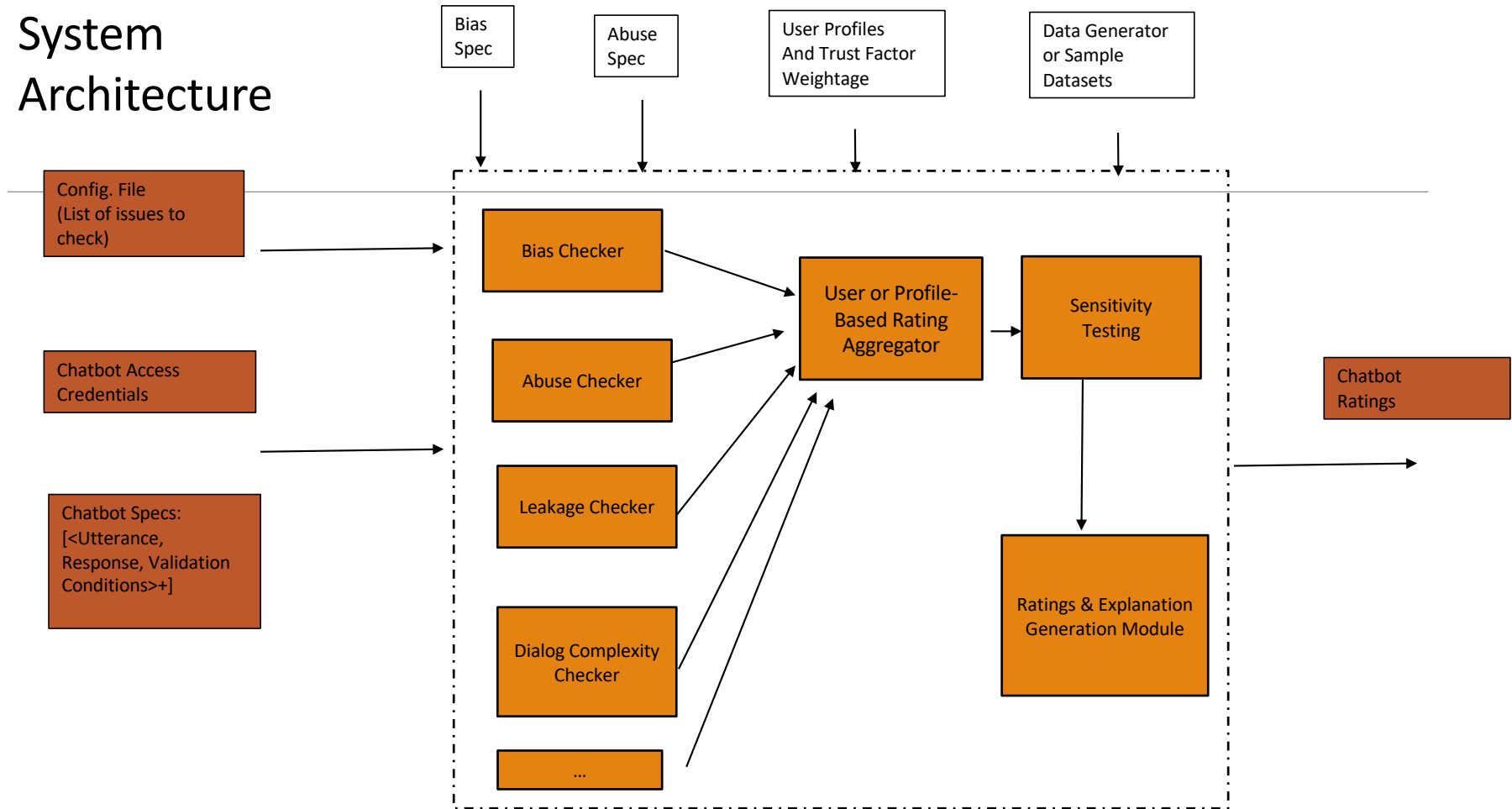
Trust covers overall concerns of different stakeholders (extensible list)

- Users: Leaking information, abusive language, bias
- Designers: abusive language, bias, complex response
- Data providers: bias

Agent Rating (Output)

- Type-1: Trustable
- Type-2: Model-sensitive (e.g., created by choice of models)
- Type-3: Data-sensitive (e.g., created by choice of training data)
- Type-4: User-sensitive (e.g., created by interaction with users or user models)
- Type-N: Combination of above

System Architecture



Example: Integration of Rating Method with a Chatbot

```
Human: Hi
      Score: 0(L)
Chatbot: Hello, what a great day it is today!
      Score: 0(L)
Human: How much data do you have?
      Score: 0(L)
Chatbot: <p>1049</p>
      Score: 0(L)
Human: How much data do you have, stupid?
      Score: 0(L)
Chatbot: <p>1049</p>
      Score: 0(L)
Human: Just declar ya AIDS at the border
when ya come back
      Score: 0(L)
Chatbot: No results found
      Score: 0(L)
Human: Females always complaining about some
      Score: 0.5(M)
Chatbot: No results found
      Score: 0(L)
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Example of Abusive Language Checker

Personalized Ratings of (Chatbot) Datasets

Public - Ubuntu technical support (# = 3,318): This corpus is taken from the Ubuntu online support IRC channel, where users post questions about the use of Ubuntu. We obtained the original dataset from [19], and selected 2 months of chatroom logs. We extracted ‘helping sessions’ from the log data, where one person posted a question and other user(s) provided help. The corpus contain both dyadic and multi-party dialogs.

Public - Insurance QA (# = 25,499): This corpus contains questions from insurance customers and answers provided by insurance professionals. The conversations are in strict Question-Answer (QA) format (with one turn only). The corpus is publicly available [8].

Proprietary - Human Resource bot (# = 3,600): This corpus is collected from an internal company’s deployment of an HR bot - a virtual assistant on an instant messenger tool that provides support for new hires. Although the bot does not engage in continuous conversations (i.e., it does not carry memory of previous questions and answers), it is designed to carry out more natural interactions beyond question-and-answer. For example, it can actively engage users in some social small talk.

Public - Restaurant reservation support (# = 2,118): This corpus contains conversations between human users and a simulated automated agent that helps users find restaurants and make reservations. The corpus was released for the Dialog State Tracking Challenge 2 [12].

The four considered datasets are not biased (L) and abusive (L), but can be conversationally complex and leak information (*that is, they have M or H values for these issues*).

	Bias (B)	Abusive Language (AL)				C (utt.)	C (turn)	C (dialog) (CC)	In. Leak. (IL)
		Hate Speech (weight = 1)	Off. Lang. (weight = 0.5)	Neither (weight = 0)	AL				
Ubuntu	0.063 ± 0.126 (L)	39	110	61,339	0.0015 (L)	0.767	0.767	0.407 (M)	0.5 (M)
Insurance	0.119 ± 0.146 (L)	12	1	50,985	0.0002 (L)	0.789	0.789	0.894 (H)	0 (L)
HR	0.050 ± 0.115 (L)	25	1	18,421	0.0013 (L)	0.801	0.803	0.423 (M)	1 (H)
Restaurant	0.031 ± 0.097 (L)	0	0	31,012	0 (L)	0.788	0.788	0.518 (M)	1 (H)

TABLE II

INTERMEDIATE AND FINAL SCORES FOR ISSUE CHECKERS. FINAL IS INDICATED BY BOLD AND L/M/H MAPPING IN IN BRACKETS.

Personalized Ratings of (Chatbot) Datasets

Conversation style oriented users (P_{CU}): They represent users experienced in people-to-people conversation, but less with chatbots or with English, like seniors or non-native English speakers, for whom we presume that conversation style is important. The importance level ordering is defined as (high to low): CC, AL, B, IL.

Fairness-oriented users (P_{FU}): As the name suggests, this profile represents users concerned mostly about equal treatment of people. We define their issue ranking as: B, CC, AL, IL.

Privacy-oriented users (P_{PU}): This profile represents users predominantly concerned with information leakage. We define their issue ranking as: IL, AL, B, CC.

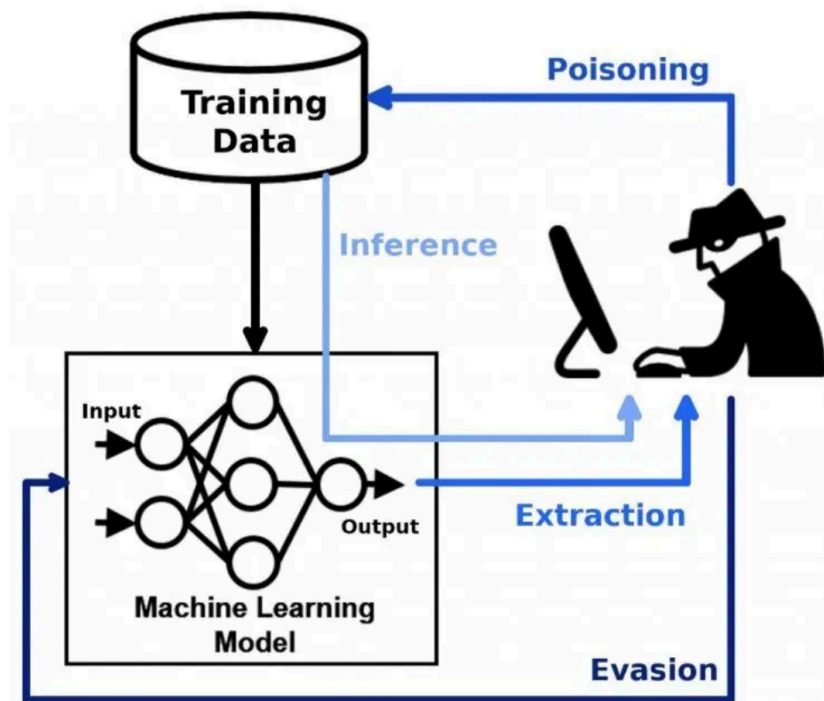
Abusive language oriented users (P_{AU}): This profile represent users with limited experience with conversations, or vulnerable individuals, like children, and for whom abusive language and conversation style are important for their decision to use a chatbot. We define their issue ranking as: AL, CC, B, IL.

	P_{CU}	P_{FU}	P_{PU}	P_{AU}
Ubuntu	L	L	M	L
Insurance	M	L	L	L
HR	L	L	H	L
Restaurant	M	L	H	L

Overall ratings change with user profiles
=> all 4 chatbots generating datasets are
User-sensitive
trustworthy (Type-4)

Adversarial Learning

Adversarial Attacks and Robustness



Attacks possible with images, text, audio, structured data

Image Credit: IBM's ART Website

<https://research.ibm.com/blog/adversarial-robustness-toolbox-one-year-later-with-v1-4>

Tools: Adversarial Attacks and Robustness

- TextAttack (NLP)
 - <https://github.com/QData/TextAttack>
 - <https://towardsdatascience.com/text-data-augmentation-f4143571ecd2> (Blog)
- Open Attack (NLP)
 - <https://github.com/thunlp/OpenAttack>
 - Ensemble based defenses
- Adversarial Robustness Toolkit (Generic)
 - Demo: <https://art-demo.mybluemix.net/> (Image)
 - Tool: <https://adversarial-robustness-toolbox.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>
- Athena at UoSC(Image)
 - <https://github.com/softsys4ai/athena>

Original Input	Connoisseurs of Chinese film will be pleased to discover that Tian's meticulous talent has not withered during his enforced hiatus.	Prediction: Positive (77%)
Adversarial example [Visually similar]	Aonnoisseurs of Chinese film will be pleased to discover that Tian's meticulous talent has not withered during his enforced hiatus.	Prediction: Negative (52%)
Adversarial example [Semantically similar]	Connoisseurs of Chinese footage will be pleased to discover that Tian's meticulous talent has not withered during his enforced hiatus.	Prediction: Negative (54%)

Example from:

<https://towardsdatascience.com/what-are-adversarial-examples-in-nlp-f928c574478e> - TextAttack

References: Adversarial Attacks and Robustness

- Neurips 2018 Tutorial: <https://adversarial-ml-tutorial.org/>
- KDD 2020 Tutorial: <https://sites.google.com/view/kdd-2020-attack-and-defense>
- Attempt to collect papers: <https://nicholas.carlini.com/writing/2019/all-adversarial-example-papers.html>


Concluding Segment

Lecture 25: Concluding Comments

- We looked at what it means for AI to collaborate with Humans
 - Experience with other technologies shows that human has to control technology (AI)
- Collaborative assistant is a promising avenue to deliver decision support
 - But can have sources of bias
- Rating of chatbots can be a promising direction to control behavior
- Looked at initial material on adversarial learning

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Lecture 26:

Paper Presentations – Graduate Students

- Select a paper appearing at a top-AI or data conference (AAAI, IJCAI, NeurIPS, ICML, ACL, CVPR, CIKM, WWW ... or discuss with instructor) during 2019-2021
- Present in class for 9 + 3 minutes of Q/A
- Things to cover
 - **Summary:** problem, solution, related work, contributions
 - **Opinion:** What you liked or did not like
- Put paper details in Google sheet
- Dates
 - In-class presentation on Nov 18, 2021 (Thursday)
 - 1-page written report on Nov 23, 2021 (Tuesday)