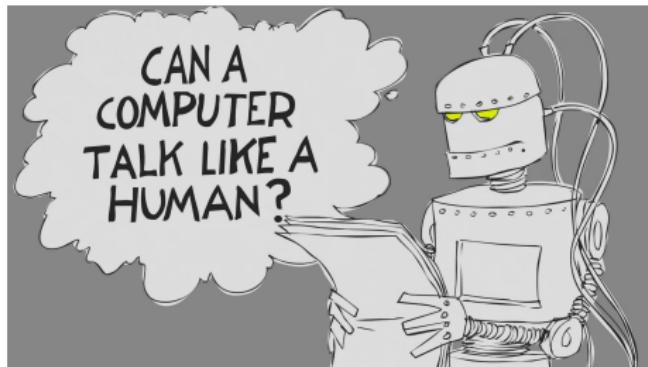


Course 1: Generalities about AI



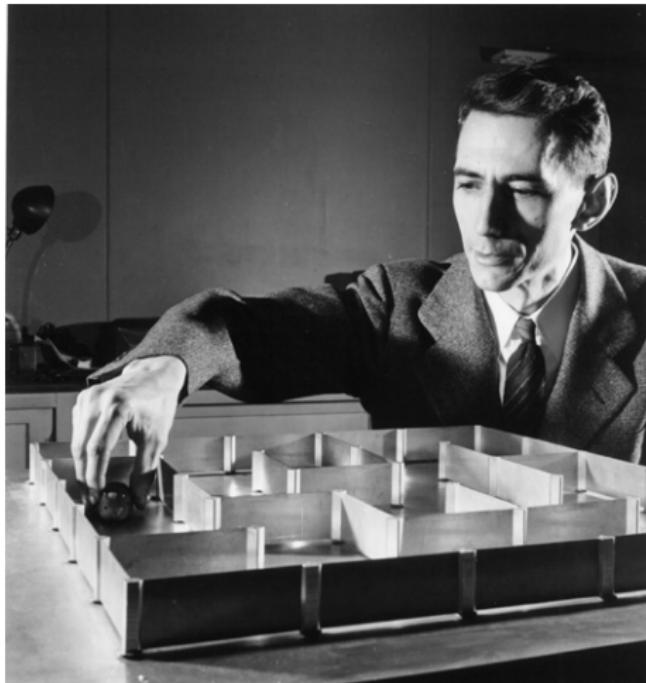
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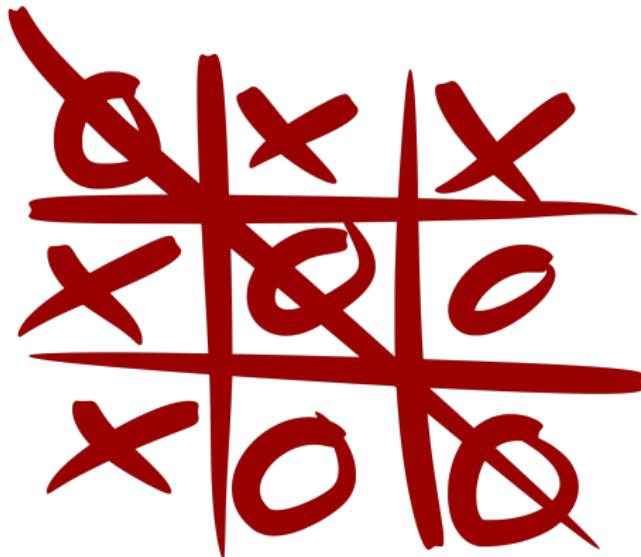
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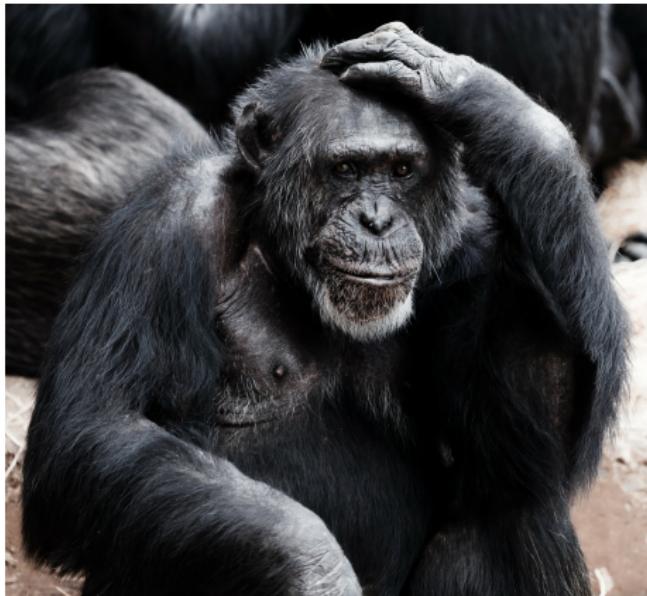
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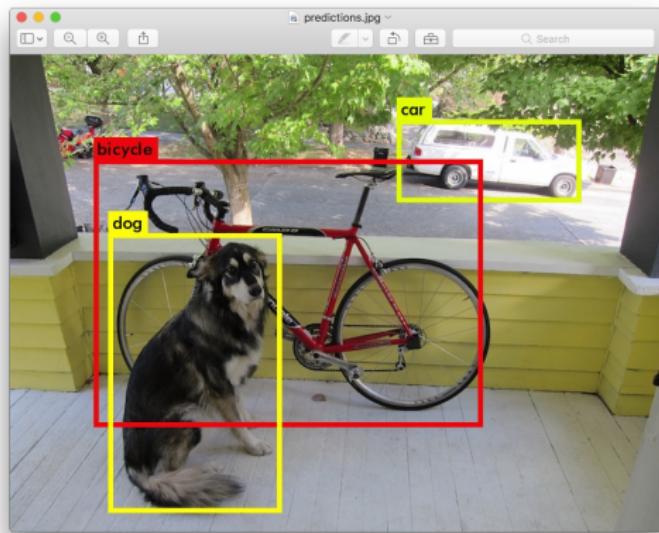
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Vision

- Object/face recognition,
- Detection,
- Autonomous vehicles,
- Automatic diagnostic,
- Defects identification,
- Video applications...



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Natural Language Processing (NLP)

- Automatic assistant,
- Voice-to-text,
- Automatic translation,
- Automatic summarizing,
- Sentiment analysis,
- Text indexing...

Speak now

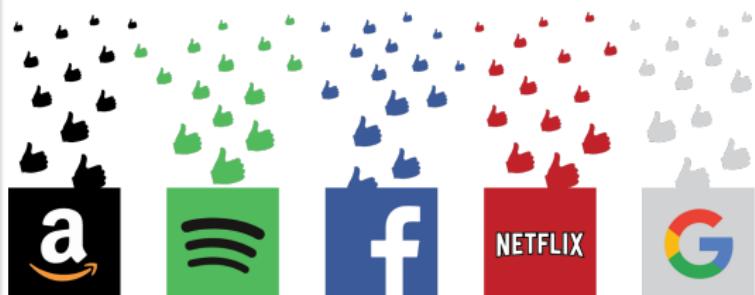


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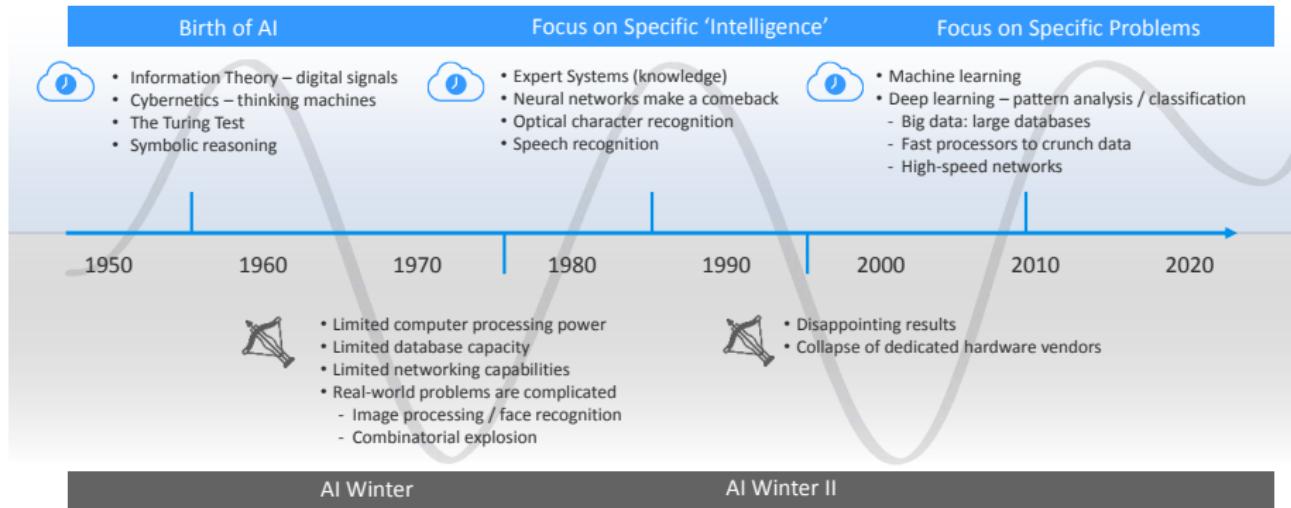
Tons of other domains...

- Medical imaging,
- Decision aid,
- Data mining,
- Visualization,
- Recommender systems,
- Market analysis...



AI Timeline

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The great elders of modern AI

Geoffrey Hinton



- Cognitive psychologist and computer scientist,
- Prof. at University of Toronto and works for Google,
- Known for back-propagation and Boltzmann machines.

Yoshua Bengio



- Computer scientist,
- Prof. at Université de Montréal and head of MILA,
- Known for his work on deep learning.

Yann le Cun



- Computer scientist,
- Prof. at New York University then he joins FAIR,
- Known for his work on back-propagation and CNNs.

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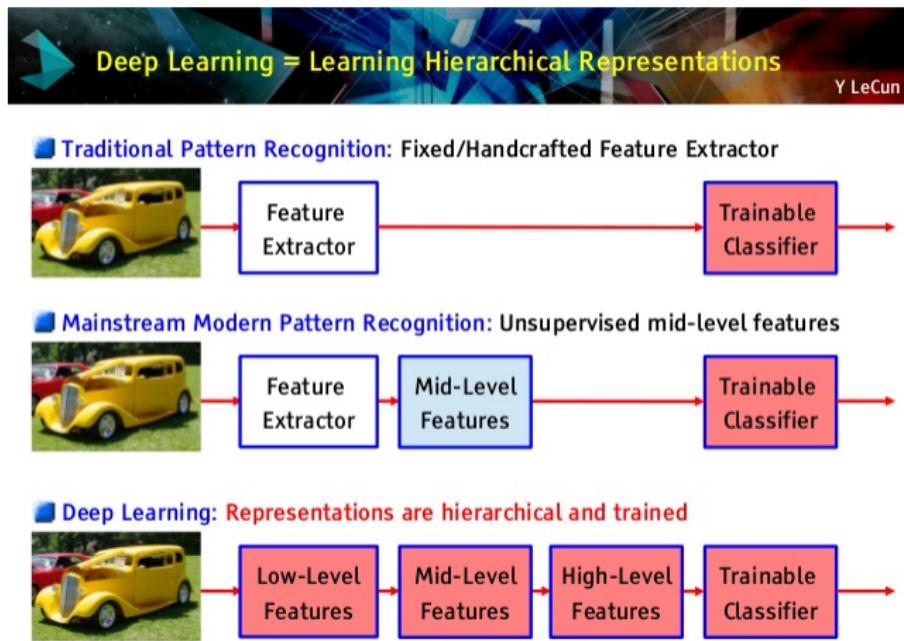
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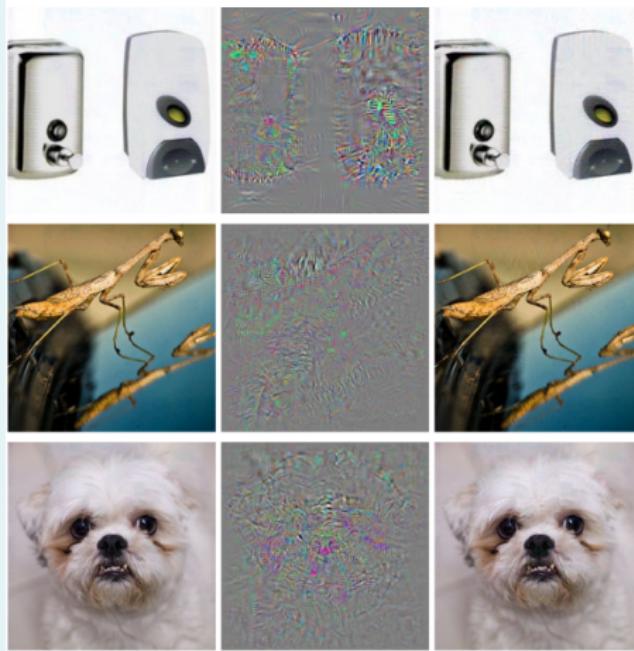
Learning from few examples



"How to grow a mind: statistics, structure, and abstraction", Science, 2011.

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Learning what should be learnt

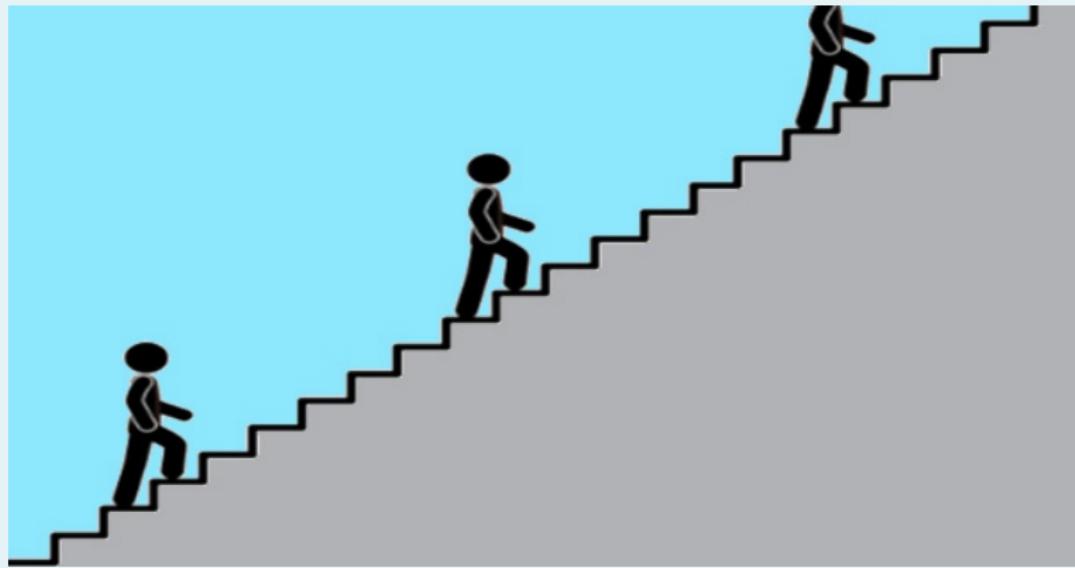


Random noise added to input images can dramatically change the end result.

"Intriguing properties of neural networks", Arxiv research report, 2013.

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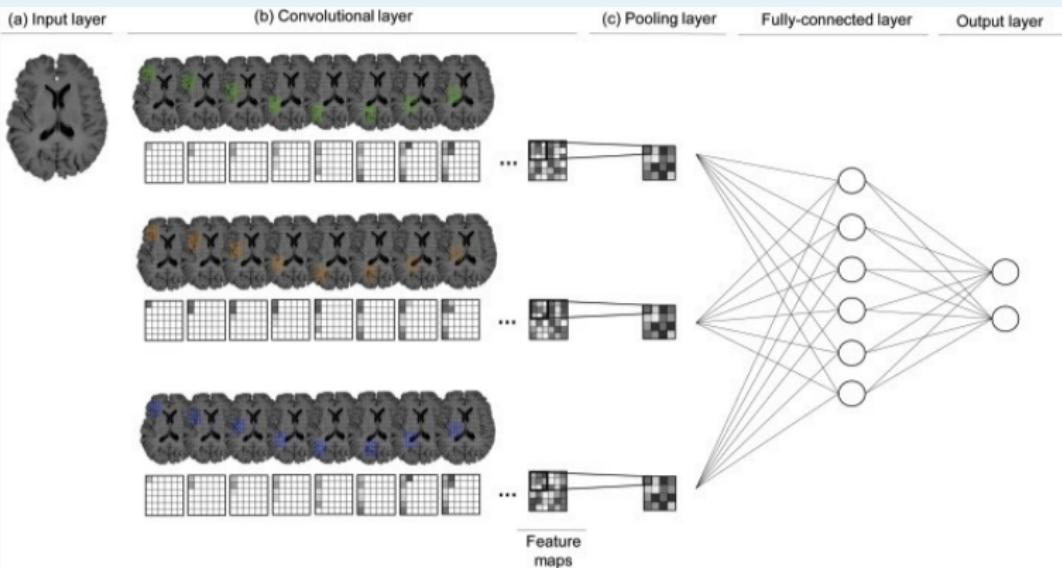
Incremental learning



Adding new classes of object one by one without forgetting previous knowledge.

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Interpretability



A trained model might be very accurate, but how does it take its decision ?

"Vieira et al. 2017.

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Computational and memory footprints



Training a large algorithm: thousands to millions of parameters using Gigabytes of data.

Course organisation

Sessions

- 1 Generalities about AI (today),
- 2 Supervised learning,
- 3 Unsupervised learning,
- 4 Practical ethics in AI,
- 5 Combinatorial game theory,
- 6 Reinforcement learning,
- 7 Challenge.

Lab Sessions and Challenge

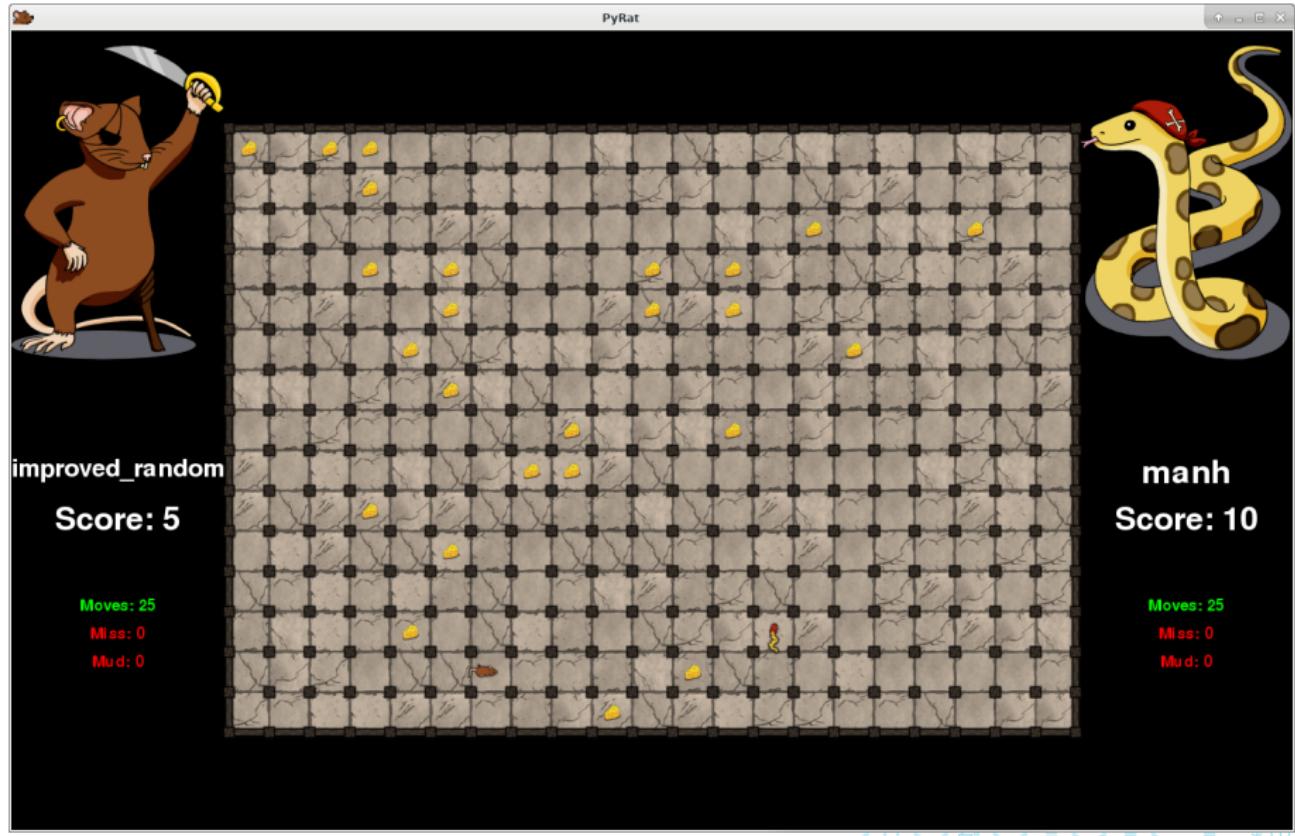
By groups of two, you are given a machine with complete access.

Sessions schedule

Each session has the same structure:

- Short written exam about the previous lesson (10 min),
- Short lesson (20 min),
- Lab Session including an introductory "TP" (50 min),
- Project (1h20)
- Sessions 2, 3, 5 and 7 include students' presentations

Non-symmetric PyRat without walls / mud



Lab Session 1 and assignments for Session 2

Introductory TP (TP0)

- Introduction to Jupyter Notebook
- Crash course in Numpy, Scipy
- Visualisation using Matplotlib

Project 0 (P0)

You will be assigned a topic on an application of AI.

You have to prepare a 7 minutes presentation (for session 2) in which you quickly explain :

- What the topic is about
- What solutions already exist
- Examples of companies / existing products on this topic
- Example of ethical considerations related to the topic
- Current limitations and hard problems