

Deep Learning History

Why now is the best time to be a Deep Learning Practitioner



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- We're in the Golden Age of Al
- Fast Graphics Processing Unit (GPU) hardware is relatively cheap and readily available
- Cheap even free cloud GPUs are available
- Deep Learning Libraries are mature and relatively easy to use
- But it wasn't always this way....





History of Deep Learning

- The concept of using neuron like algorithms in Computer Science was first introduced in 1943 by Warren McCulloch and Walter Pitts.
- Progress was slow until 1960 when Henry J. Kelly developed the basics of a Continuous Back Propagation Model.
- Things progressed nicely as Statistical Modelling and early Machine Learning algorithms were introduced
- However, the execution of many of these algorithms were slow, inefficient and error prone.

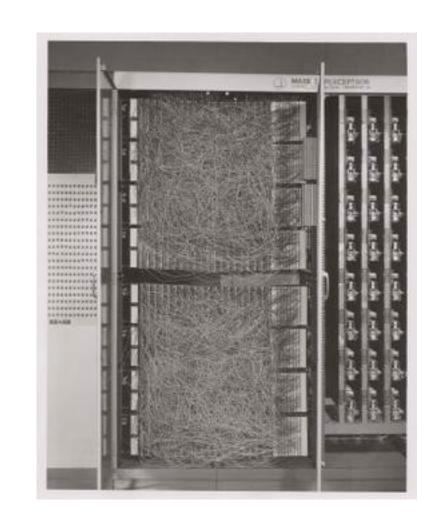
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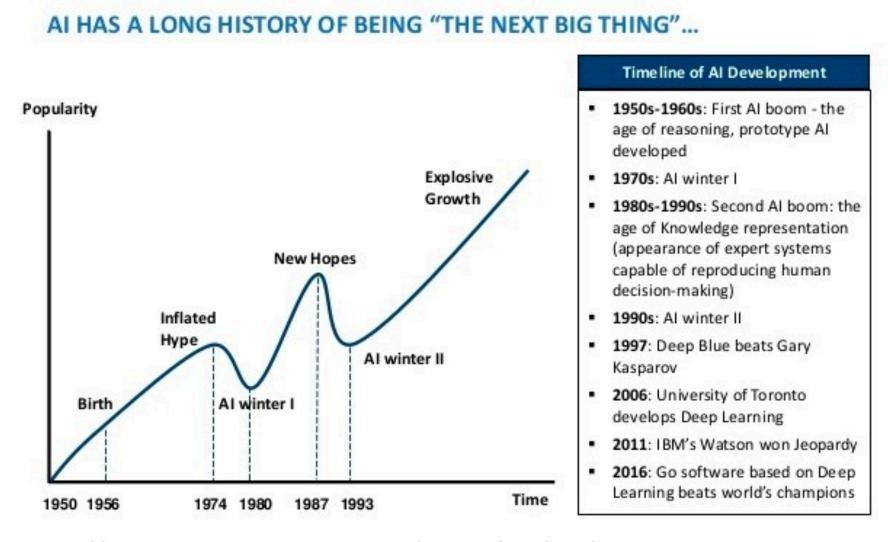
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M. L. Minsky, Harvard University
N. Rochester, I. B. M. Corporation
C. E. Shannon, Bell Telephone Laboratories





History of Deep Learning - Al Winter 1

- In the 1970s, the AI promises of the 1960s were unfilled and it lost favour with researchers at the time.
- Funding was slashed and many claimed Al was just hype.



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History of Deep Learning - Neocognitron

 Research still continued and in 1979, Kunihiko Fukushima designed the first Convolutional Neural Network, called Neocognitron.

Published: April 1980

Neocognitron: A self-organizing neural network model for a mechanism of pattern recognition unaffected by shift in position

Kunihiko Fukushima

Biological Cybernetics 36, 193–202(1980) | Cite this article 5885 Accesses | 1880 Citations | 33 Altmetric | Metrics

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Back Propagation in FORTRAN

- Though it was implemented in the 1970s, it was only in 1985 it was applied in Neural Networks
- Things picked up at this point, however, it led to over promising and under delivering thus leading to the second AI winter.

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module kernel_m
     interface zero
        attributes (global) subroutine zero (a) &
             bind(C, name='zero')
          use iso_c_binding
          real(c_float) :: a(*)
        end subroutine zero
     end interface
   end module kernel_m
10
   program fCallingC
     use cudafor
     use kernel_m
     integer, parameter :: n = 4
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     real, device :: a_d(n)
16
     real :: a(n)
18
     a_d = 1.0
19
     call zero <<<1, n>>> (a_d)
20
     a = a_d
21
     write(*,*) a
  end program fCallingC
```

AI HAS A LONG HISTORY OF BEING "THE NEXT BIG THING"... Timeline of Al Development Popularity 1950s-1960s: First Al boom - the age of reasoning, prototype Al developed Explosive 1970s: Al winter l 1980s-1990s: Second Al boom: the age of Knowledge representation (appearance of expert systems New Hopes capable of reproducing human decision-making) 1990s: Al winter II Inflated 1997: Deep Blue beats Gary Al winter II Kasparov 2006: University of Toronto Al winter I develops Deep Learning 2011: IBM's Watson won Jeopardy 2016: Go software based on Deep Learning beats world's champions Time 1950 1956 1987 1993

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GPUs and Deep Learning a Match Made in Heaven

- In the late 1990s 3D gaming necessitated GPUs which early Deep Learning methods also utilised.
- GPUs are suited for both rendering graphics and Deep Learning as they provide specialised processors that perform floating point operations with dedicated memory (high bandwidth).
- Think of CPUs as a 4-door sedan, good all round vehicle
- Think of GPUs as huge Truck (good for one thing, not good at others)

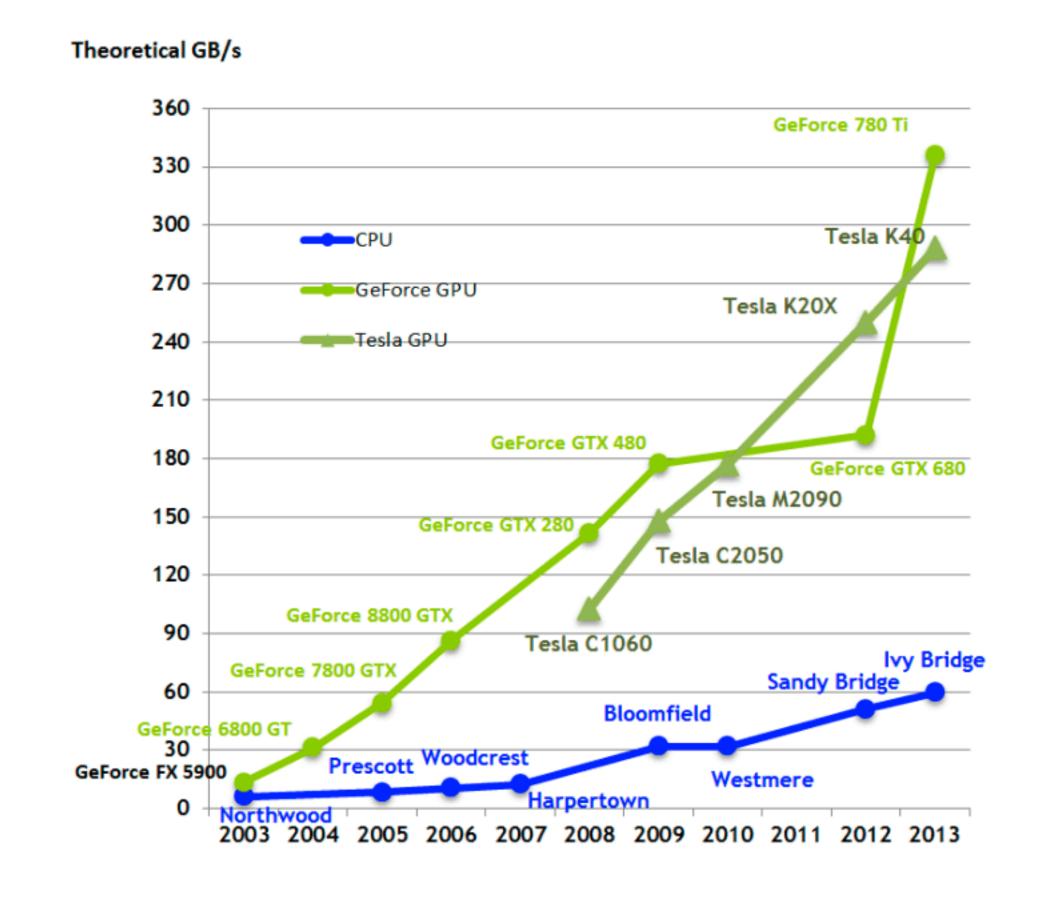




GPUs have come a long way

 GPU speed continues to increase at a faster pace than CPU speed

 Keeping up pace with this was the development of Deep Learning Libraries...



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Deep Learning Libraries

