

**EE269**  
**Signal Processing for Machine Learning**  
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# Outline

- Introduction
- Administrative
- Applications of SP&ML
- Topics
- Class Project

# Administrative

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Annotated and updated slides will be available at  
Canvas/Files For all questions please use Piazza

# About EE-269

- ▶ Our goal in this course is to help you to:
  - ▶ Learn mathematical models for **signals, systems and transformations.**
  - ▶ Learn methods that **extract information** from signals.
  - ▶ Learn about the **theory** of machine learning relevant to signal processing applications
  - ▶ Learn how to implement **algorithms** for processing, manipulating, learning and classifying signals.

# Textbooks

- ▶ Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning:  
Available online: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/research/people/cmbishop/prml-book/>
- ▶ Signal Processing for Communications, Prandoni and Vetterli  
Available online:  
[www.sp4comm.org](http://www.sp4comm.org)
- ▶ Deep Learning, Goodfellow, Bengio and Courville  
Available online: <https://www.deeplearningbook.org/>
- ▶ Additional references (see Canvas)  
Introduction to Applied Linear Algebra – Vectors, Matrices, and Least Squares, Boyd and Vandenberghe  
Available online: <http://vmls-book.stanford.edu>

## Prerequisites

- ▶ Exposure to signals and systems (EE 102A and EE 102B or equivalent)
- ▶ Basic probability (EE 178 or equivalent)
- ▶ Basic programming skills (Matlab or Python),
- ▶ Familiarity with linear algebra (EE 103 is recommended).

## Grading policy

- ▶ Homework: 60%, submission via Gradescope.
- ▶ Project: 40% (final video presentation and report)
- ▶ Extra credit: 5% for Piazza contributions.

## Homework

- ▶ Assigned homeworks will be bi-weekly.
- ▶ The problem sets will also include programming assignments to implement algorithms covered in the class.
- ▶ We also support Python and MATLAB.
- ▶ Please start on homework early.

# Group Study

- ▶ **Homework:**
  - ▶ Working in groups is allowed, but each member must submit their own writeup.
  - ▶ Write the members of your group on your solutions (Up to four people are allowed).
- ▶ **Project:**
  - ▶ You will be asked to form groups of about 2-3 people and choose a topic
  - ▶ We'll collect data, and apply SP/ML algorithms to analyze the data, extract information, learn and test models
  - ▶ Proposal submission (1 page)
  - ▶ Final report and video submission (Nov 20)

For details see Canvas!

Any questions?

# Definition of Signal Processing

1. A **signal** is mathematically just a function
2. **Signal processing:**
  - ▶ Convert one signal to another
    - e.g. filter, de-noise, interpolate
  - ▶ Information extraction and interpretation
    - e.g. speech recognition, computer vision

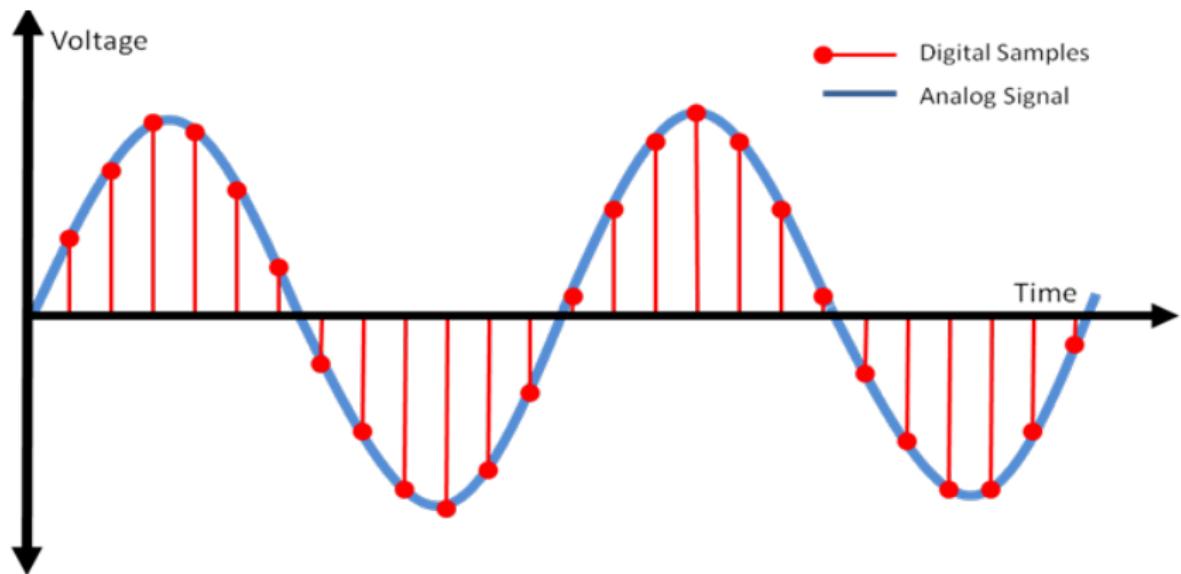
# Digital Signal Processing

- ▶ *Digitus*: finger (in Latin)
- ▶ Discrete samples
- ▶ Discrete representation
- ▶ Can be samples of a continuous signal  $x(t)$

$$x[n] = x(nT)$$

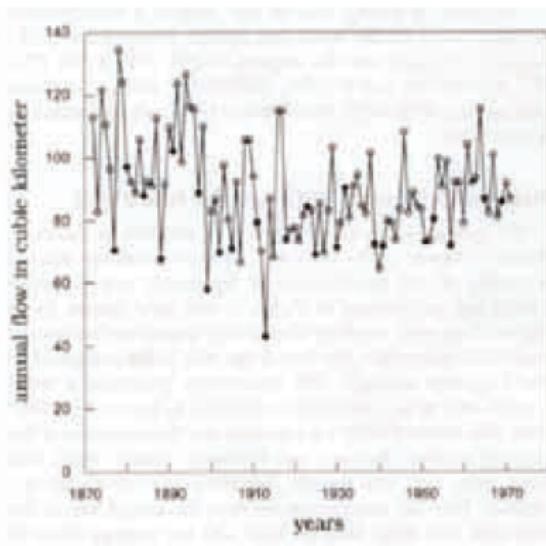
- ▶ Can be discrete by nature

## Example: Sampling



## Earliest examples of a digital signal

Egypt, 25th century BC



**Figure 1.2** Representations of flood data for the river Nile: circa 2500 BC (left) and 2000 AD (right).

## Modern Examples

- ▶ **Audio recording:** an analog pressure wave is sampled and converted to a one-dimensional discrete-time signal.
- ▶ **Photos:** the analog scene of light is sampled using a CCD array and stored as a two-dimensional discrete-space signal
- ▶ **Text:** messages are represented with collections of characters; each is assigned a standard 16-bit number and those are stored in sequence.
- ▶ **Ratings:** for books (Goodreads), movies (Netflix), vacation rentals (Air bnb) are stored using the integers 0-5

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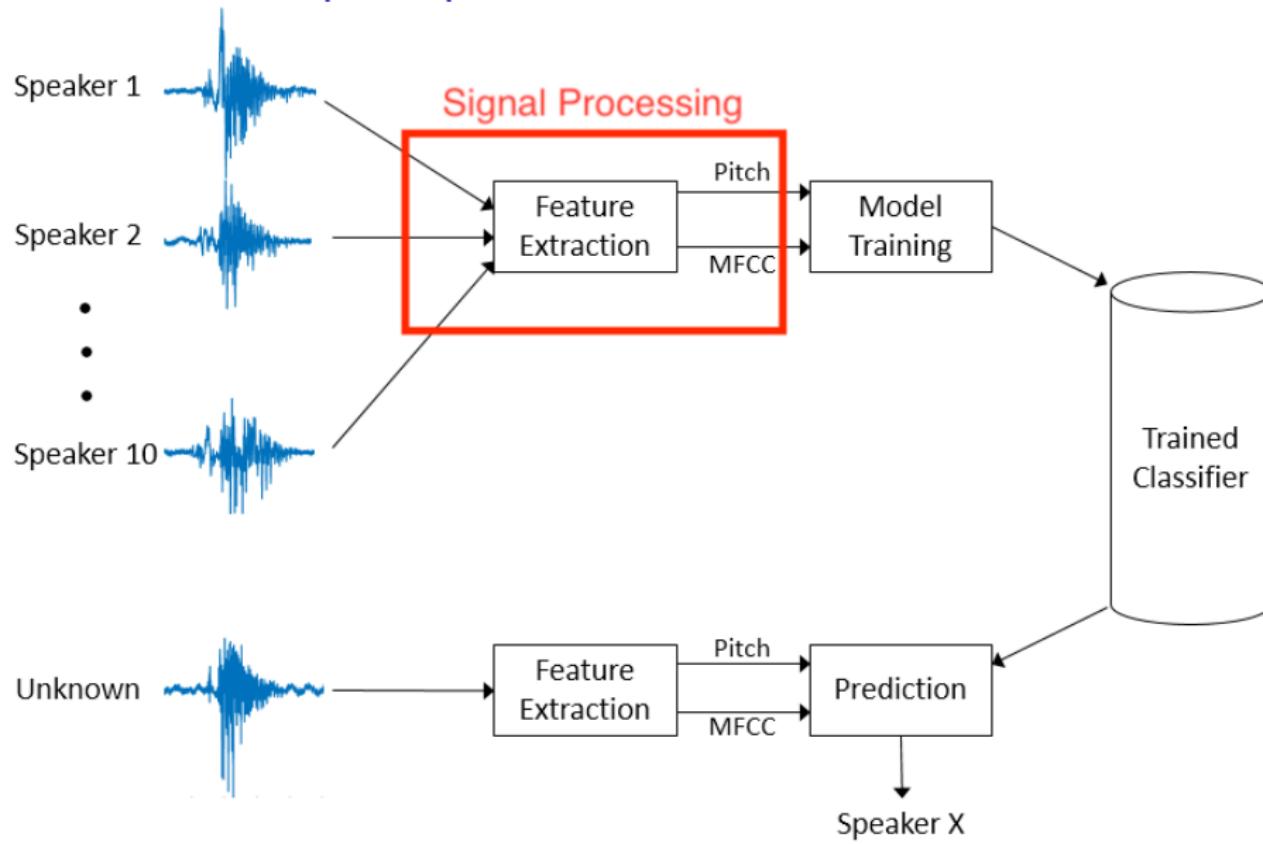
- ▶ **Samuel (1959)**: Field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed.
- ▶ **Kevin Murphy (2012)**: Algorithms that automatically detect patterns in data use the uncovered patterns to predict future data or other outcomes of interest

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slide credit: Neuron, Zion-Golumbic et al.

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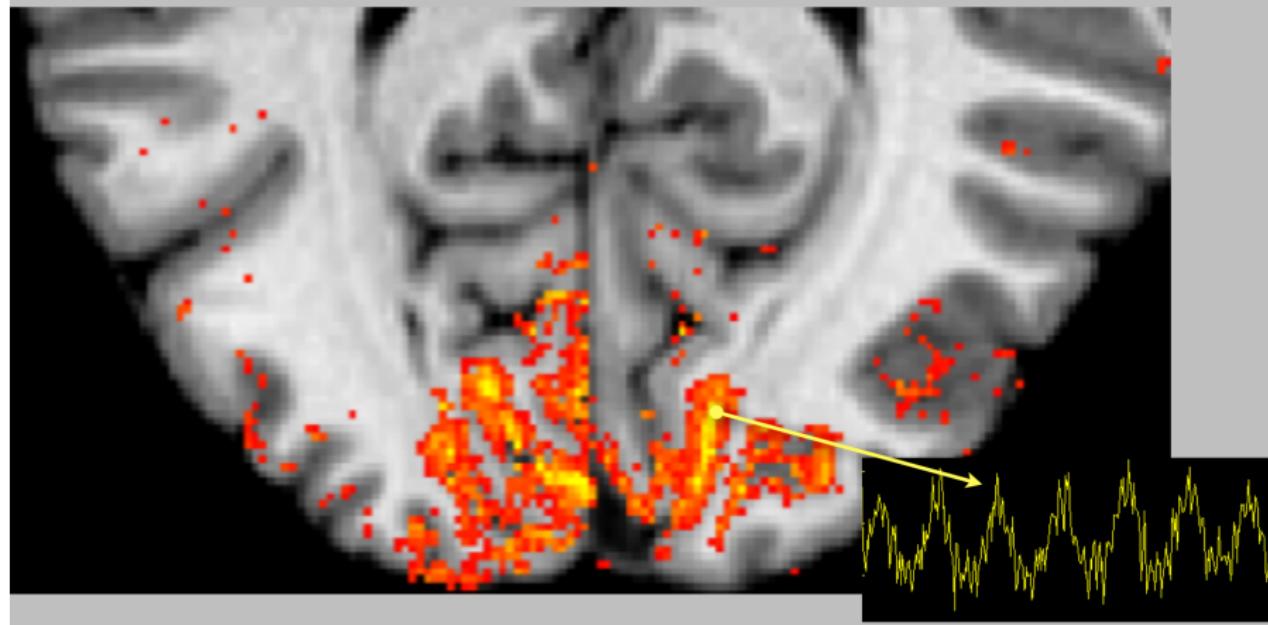


# When to apply machine learning

- ▶ Humans are unable to explain their expertise  
(e.g. Speech recognition, vision, language)
  - ▶ Solution changes with time  
(e.g. tracking, noise cancellation, adaptive filtering )
  - ▶ Solution needs to be adapted to particular cases  
(e.g. biometrics, personalization)
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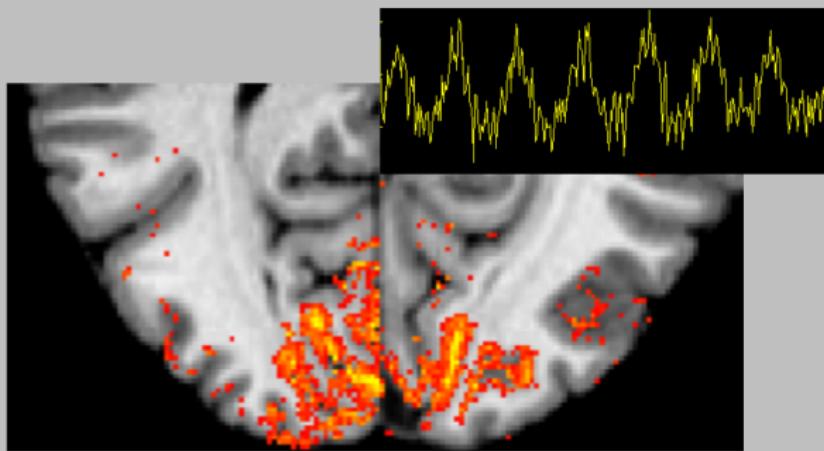
## Example: functional MRI (1/2)

Sensitivity to blood oxygenation - response to brain activity  
Convert from one signal to another



## Example: functional MRI (2/2)

- fMRI decoding : “Mind Reading”  
Gallant Lab, UC Berkeley
  - Interpretation of signals



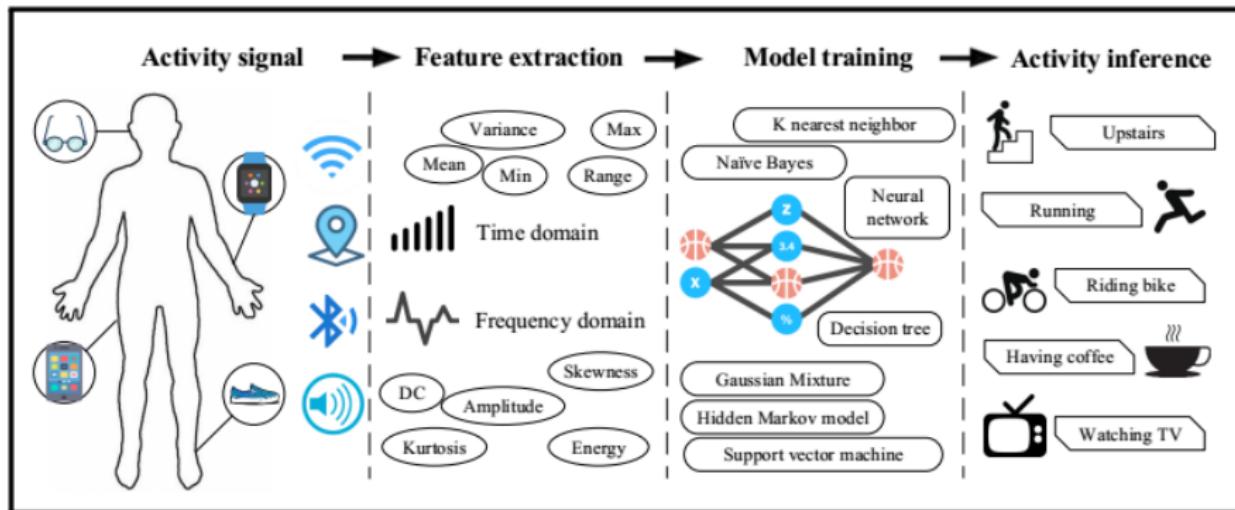
Presented movie



### Reconstructed movie (AHP)



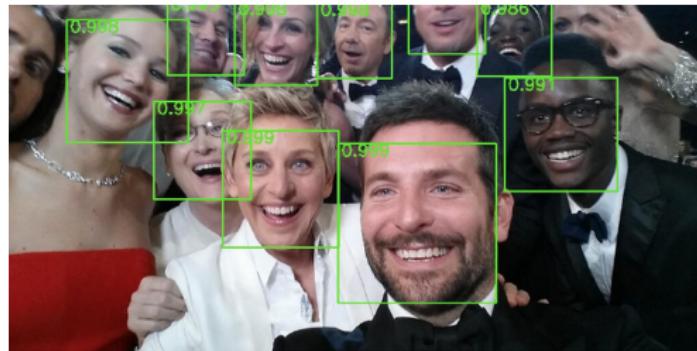
# Example: Activity recognition



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# Application: Computer Vision

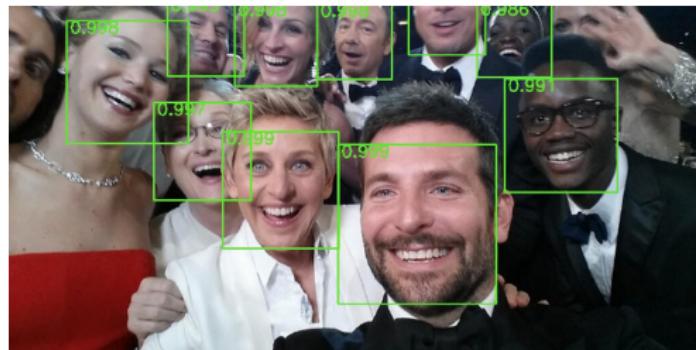
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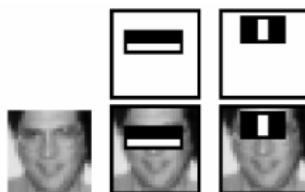
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# Real-time face detection

# Application: Speech Recognition

- ▶ Voice Search (e.g., Google), Speech Transcription

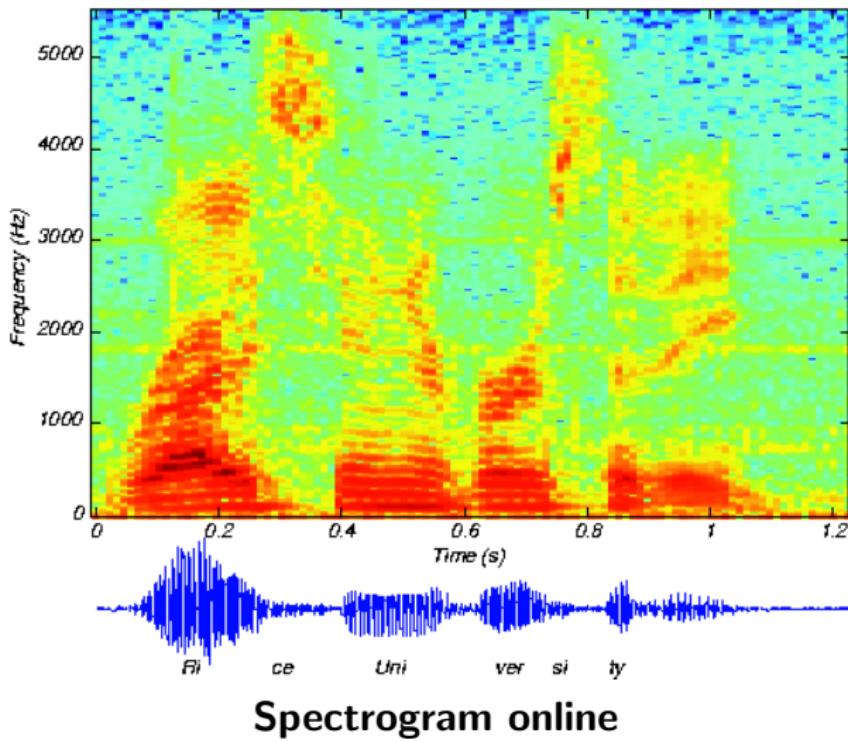


- ▶ Text to Speech

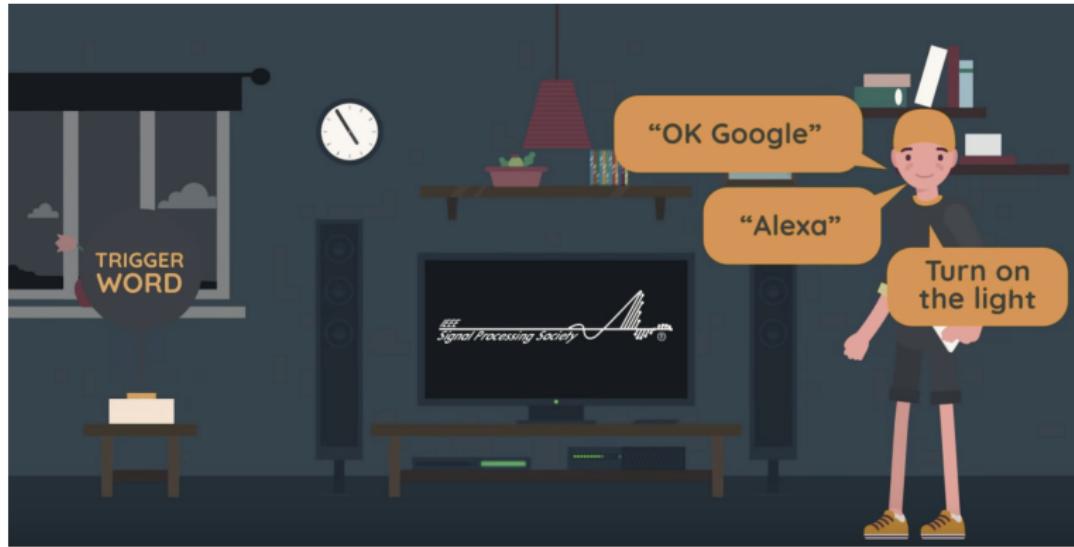


**Baidu Deep Voice Demo  
Google Tacotron**

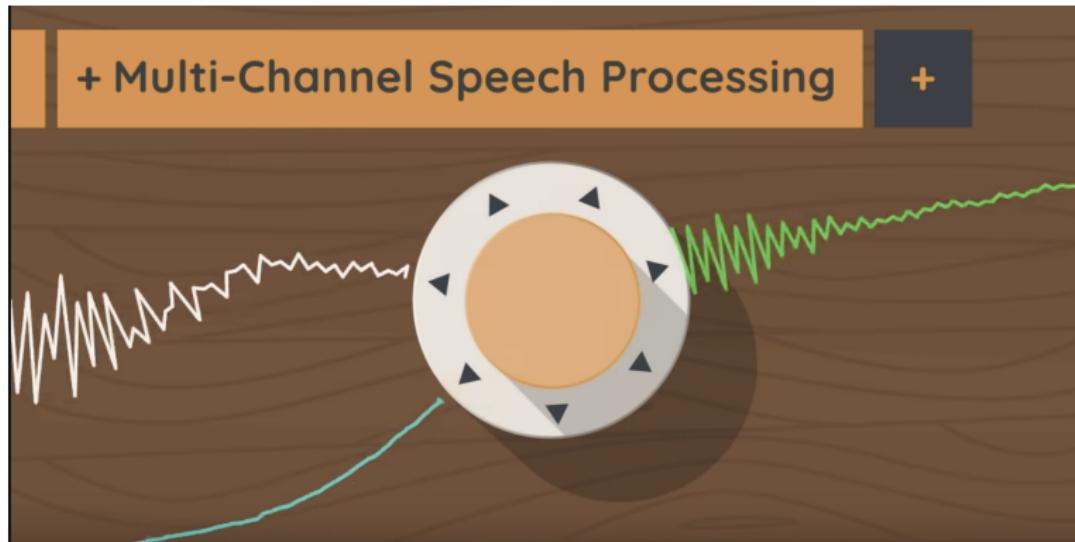
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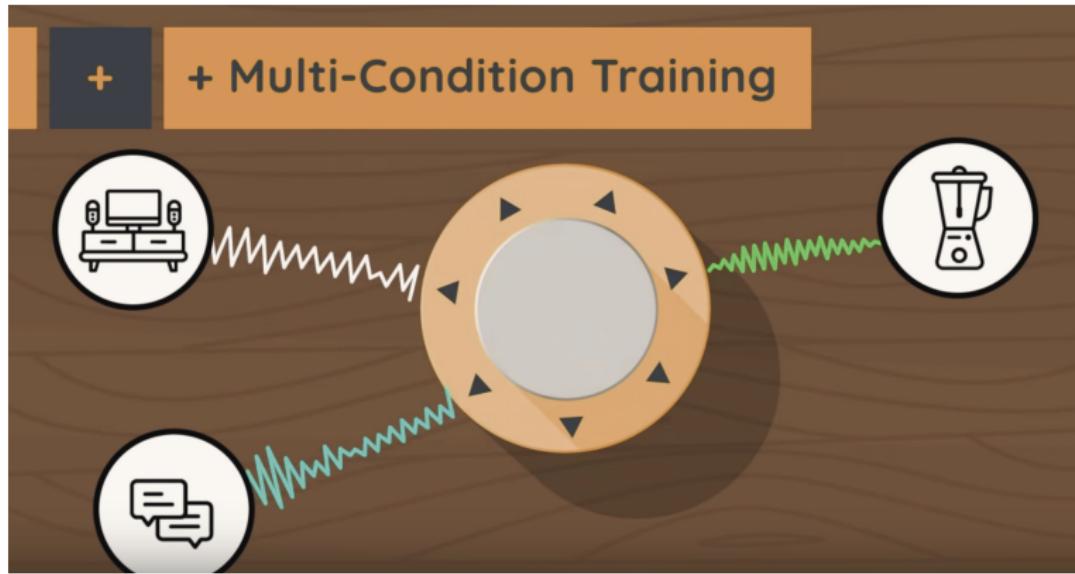
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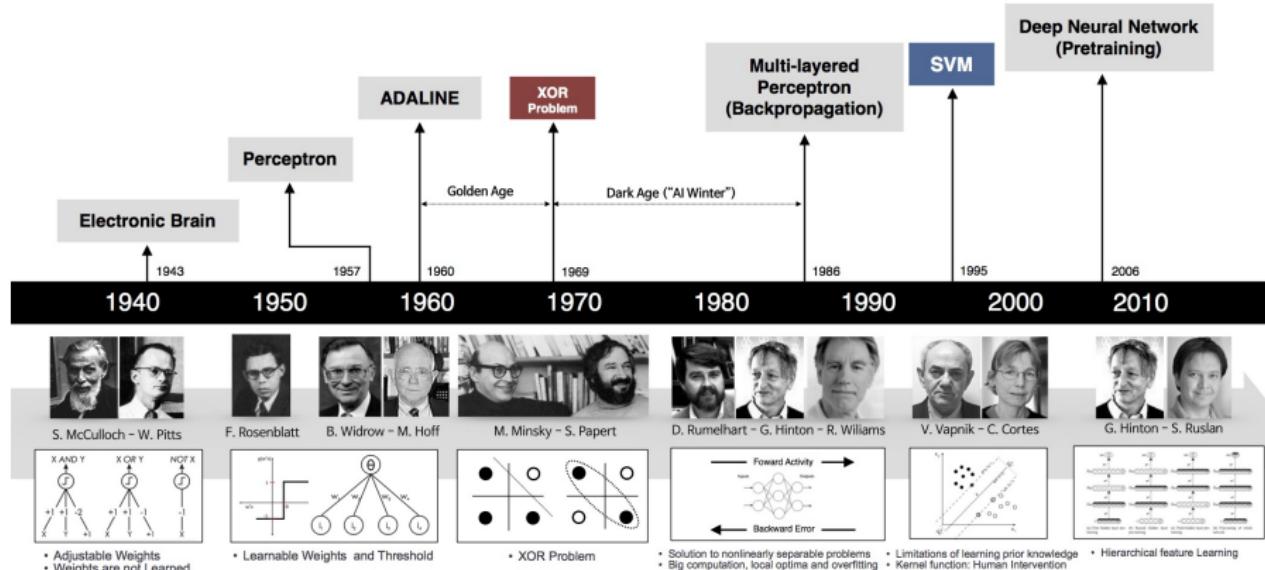
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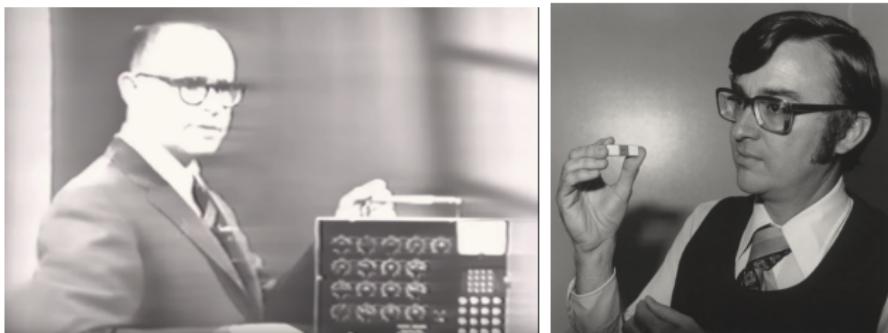
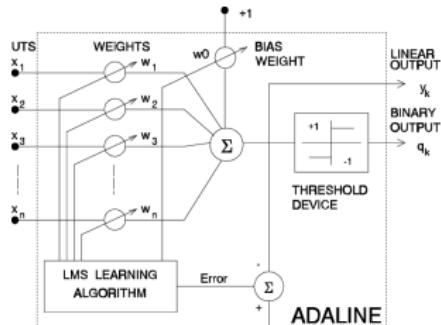


# Neural Networks



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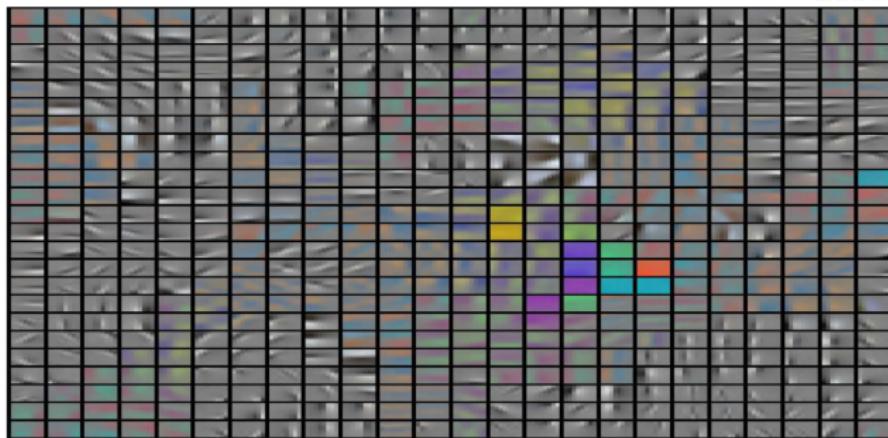
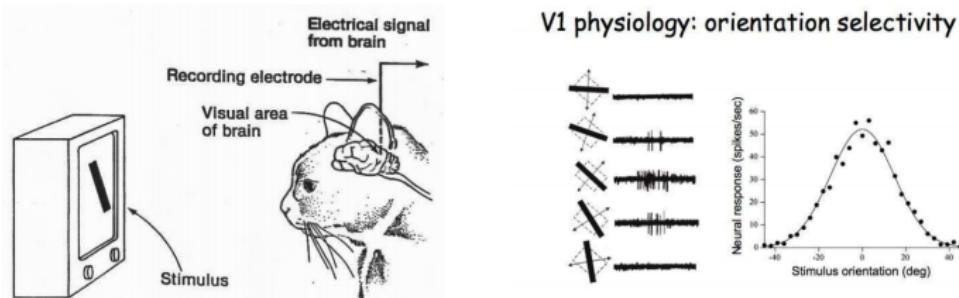
► Bernard Widrow and Ted Hoff (1960)



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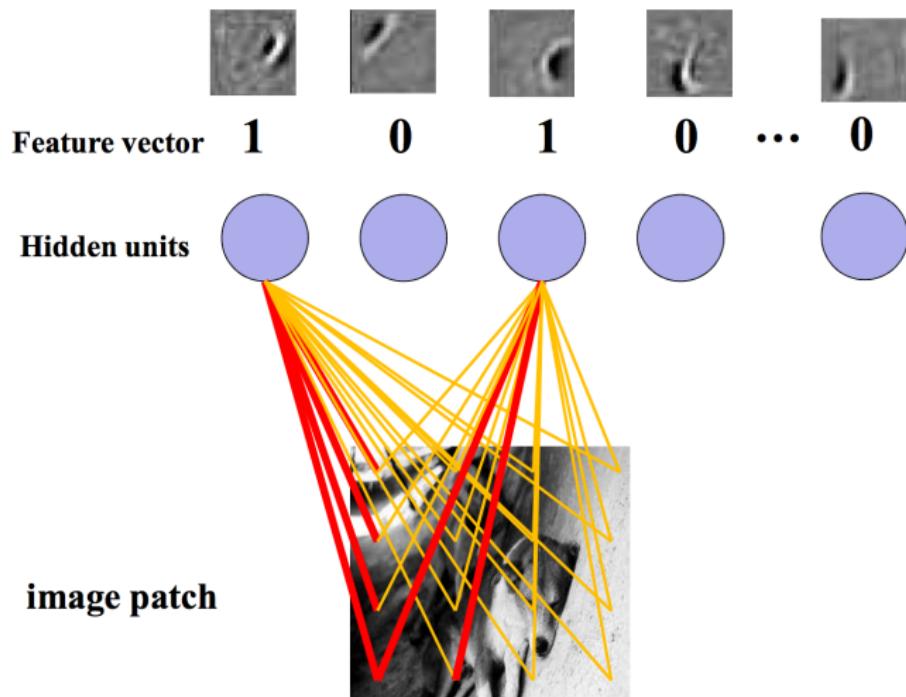
# Convolutional Neural Networks

## Selectivity and Topographic maps in V1



Hubel and Wiesel, 1968

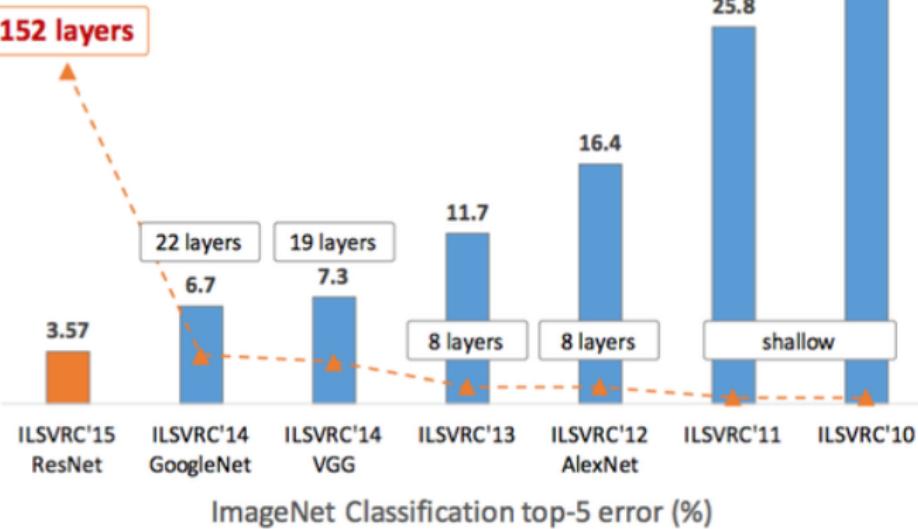
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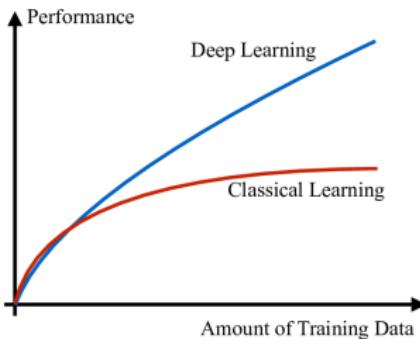
- ▶ Fukushima (1980), LeCun (1989)

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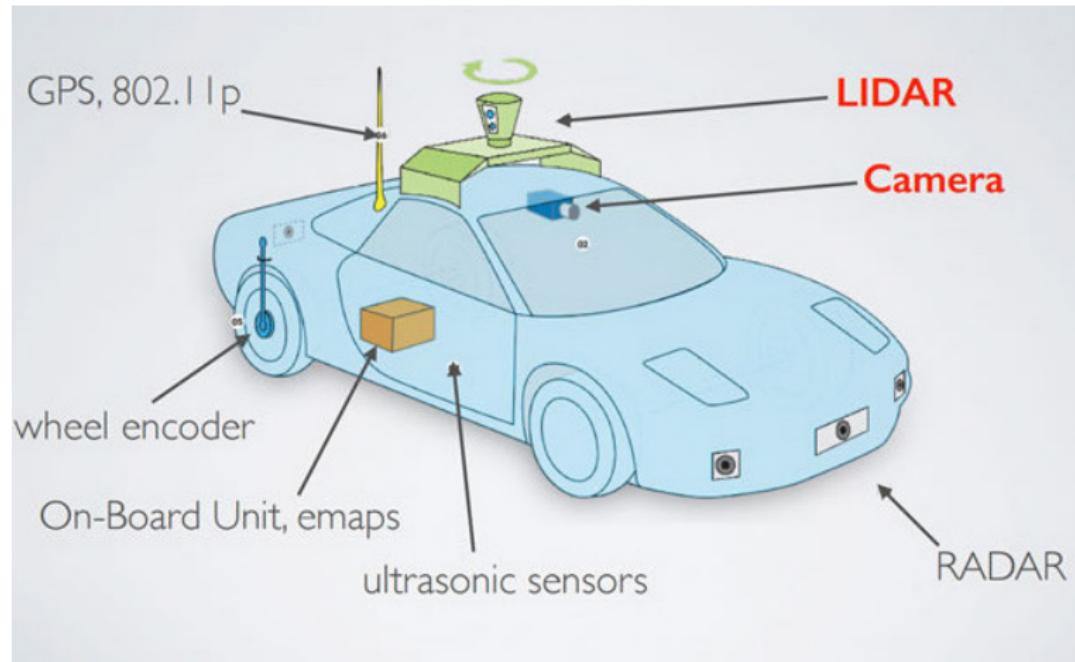


# Classical Learning vs Deep Learning



- ▶ Classical learning algorithms often require feature engineering
- ▶ No need for feature engineering in deep learning: features are learned through optimization
- ▶ Deep learning scales much better with more data than classical learning algorithms
- ▶ Deep learning have achieved accuracies that are far beyond that of classical learning methods in speech processing, natural language processing, computer vision, and reinforcement learning

## Example: Self-driving cars



slide credit: Jonathan Petit

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# Application: Robotics

- ▶ Helicopter control



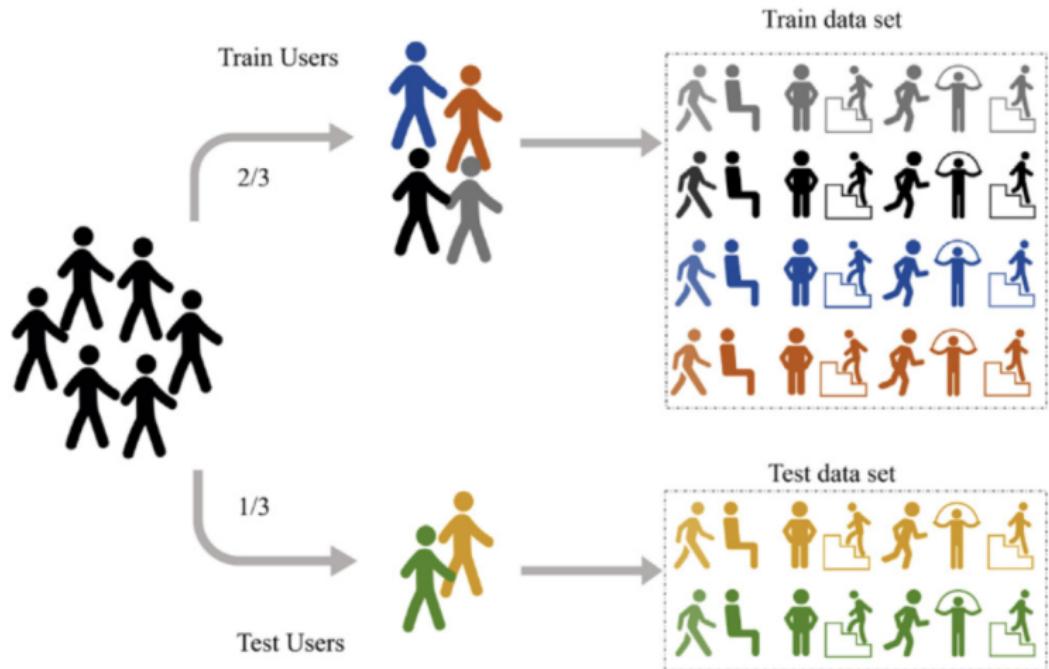
- ▶ Robot perception and navigation



## Application: Self-navigating drones

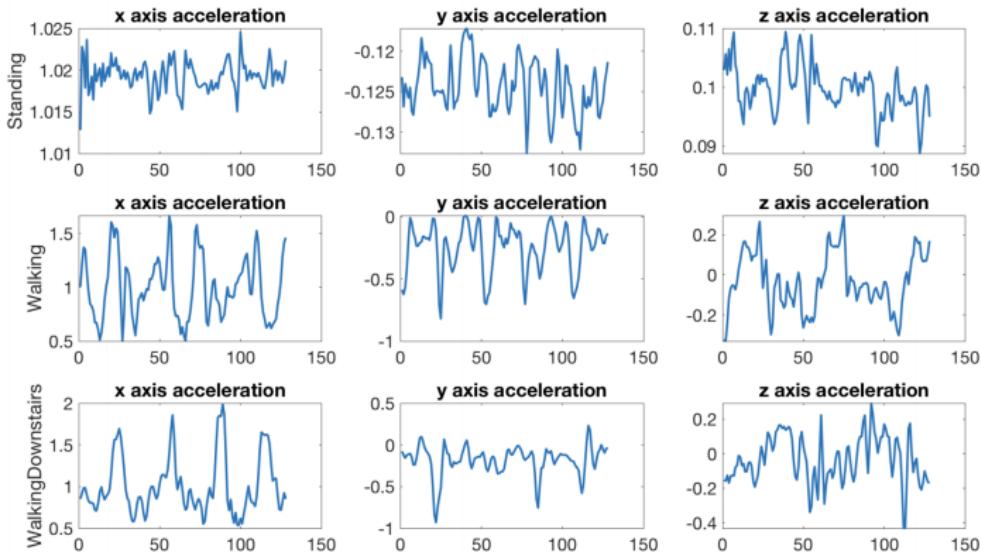
# Classical learning vs deep learning in signal processing

- ▶ Example: Activity recognition with wearable sensors

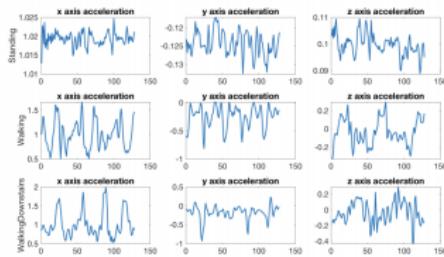


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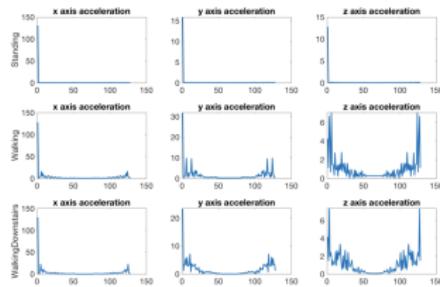
- ▶ Human Activity Recognition Using Smartphones Dataset (Reyes-Ortiz et al, 2012)
- ▶ Time domain training signals  $x_1[n], x_2[n], \dots x_m[n]$



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3-Nearest Neighbors,  $\ell_2$ -norm distance on  $x[n]$ . **Accuracy** : 0.77



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**accuracy** : 77%
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**accuracy** : 85%
- ▶ 1D Convolutional Net (4 layers)  
**accuracy** : 91%
- ▶ Wavelet Transform Features (entropy, zero crossing, simple statistics) + linear classifier  
**accuracy** : 95%

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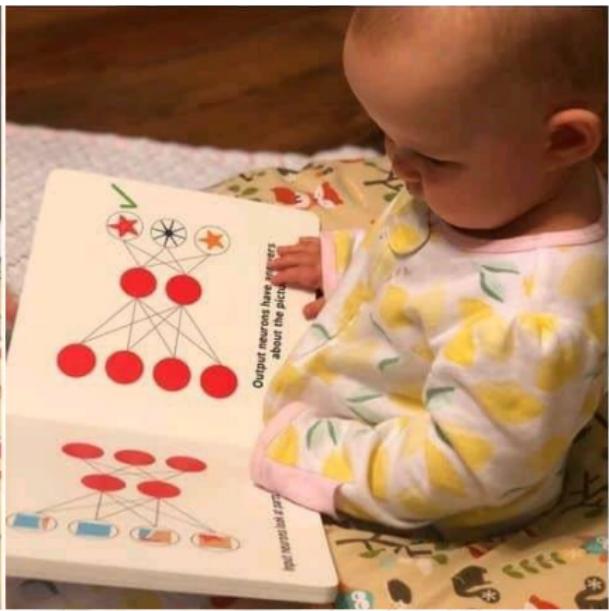
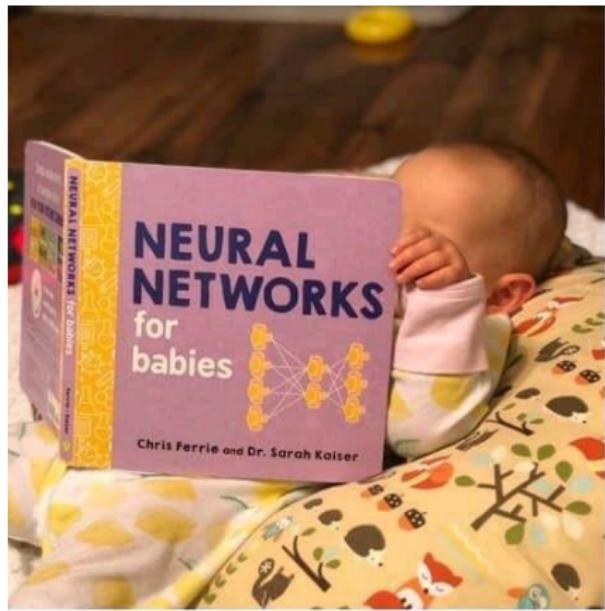
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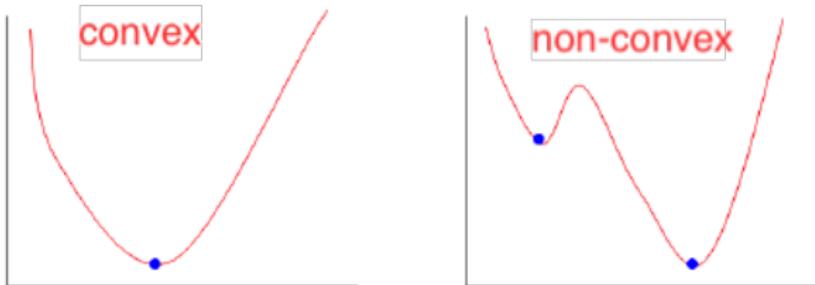
## Some interesting questions we will explore

- ▶ How to find optimal signal representations for machine learning?
- ▶ How to find optimal signal classifiers?
- ▶ Is feature engineering necessary?
- ▶ Can neural networks automatically find good features?
- ▶ Can we replace domain knowledge with neural networks and data?
- ▶ When does a deep neural network perform better than a classical model?
- ▶ How can we understand what neural network models are learning?

# How neural networks work?



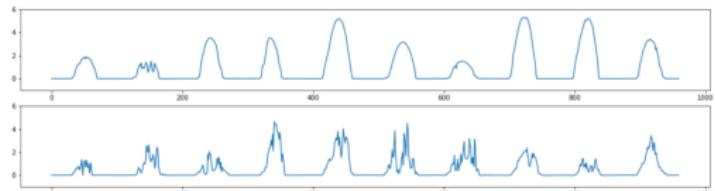
# How neural networks work?



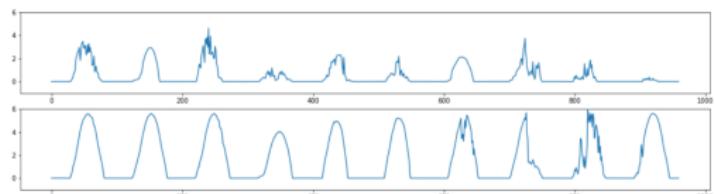
- ▶ Traditional machine learning models such as Least-Squares, Support Vector Machines etc.
- ▶ Neural network training problems are **non-convex**
  - ▶ challenging to train
  - ▶ hard to interpret
- ▶ Neural networks can be formulated as convex optimization models in higher dimensions!

# Sample projects from previous years

## Photovoltaic power pattern clustering



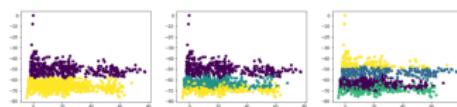
(a) Two class clustering of Raw Feature data



(b) Two class clustering of Raw Wavelet data



(a) Clustering performed directly on data (left plot indicates unexpected clustering)



(b) Clustering performed on data projected onto Principal Components 2 through 9 (left plot aligns with expected clustering)

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## Tracking objects in video recordings

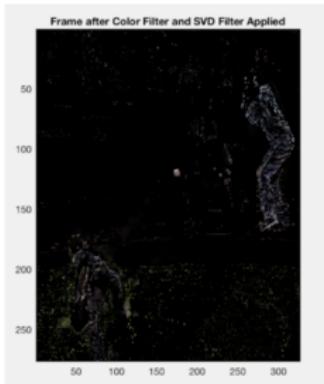
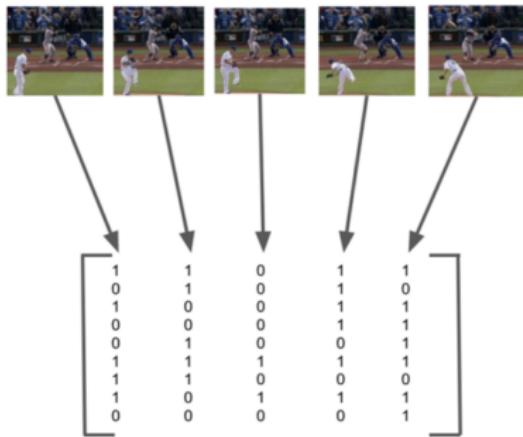
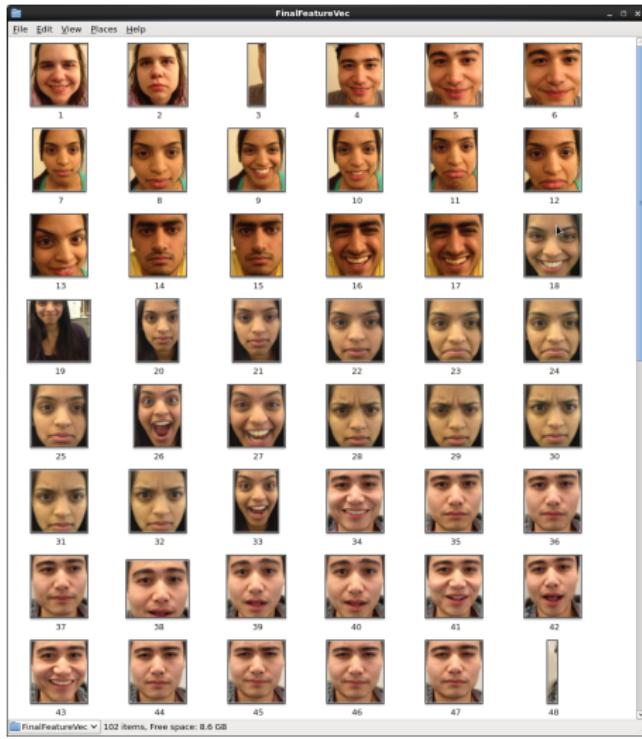


Figure 2.7 - Frame after SVD filter applied

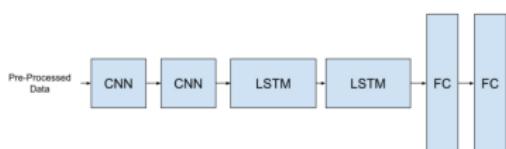
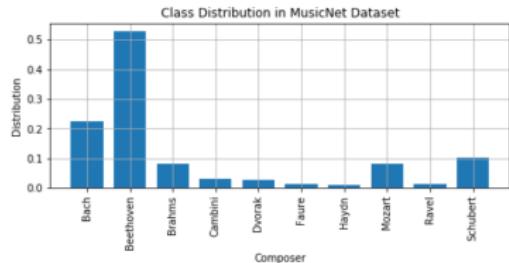
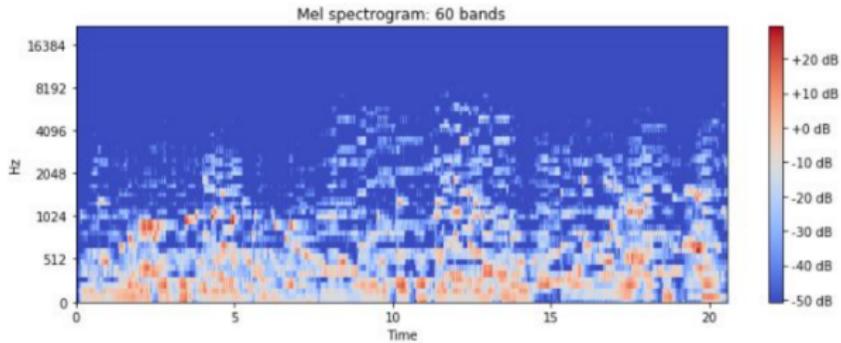
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## Emotion detection from faces



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## Composer classification for classical Music



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## Predicting Epileptic Seizures from EEG data

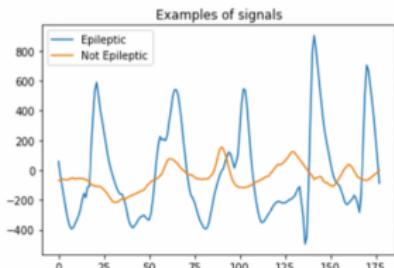


Figure 1. Original image of eye with border

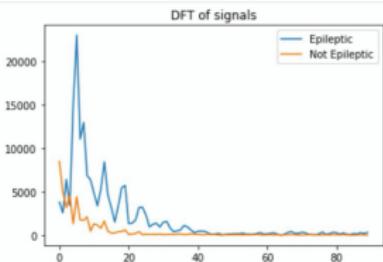


Figure 2. DFT comparison between epileptic and non-epileptic signals

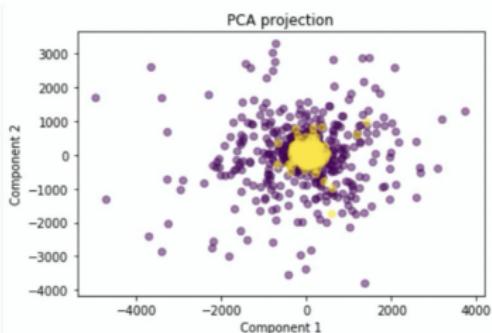
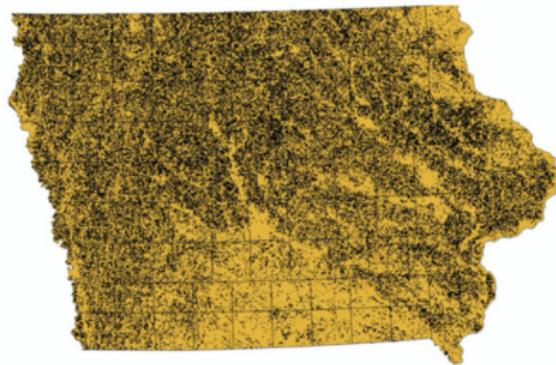


Figure 3. Projection of points onto top 2 principal components

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## Tracking Crop Planting Dates Using Satellite Images



Example MODIS band resampled and masked to leave only corn pixels

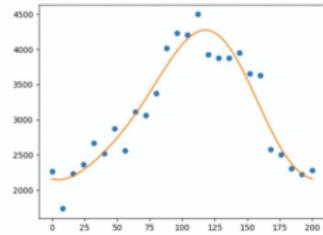


Figure 2: Estimated phenology curve for red wavelength (MODIS SR band) using two sine terms, two cosine terms, and a constant

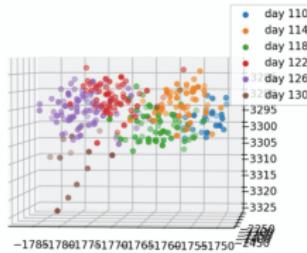


Figure 3: Planting dates binned in four day intervals, projected onto the first three FLD basis vectors

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## Audio Direction of Arrival Estimation



Figure 1: Rode NT4 stereo microphone cardioid capsule geometry.

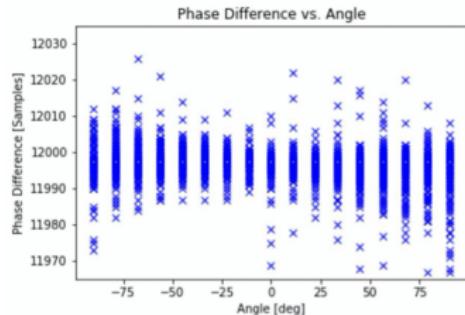


Figure 3: Interchannel phase difference for recorded data as a function of angle.

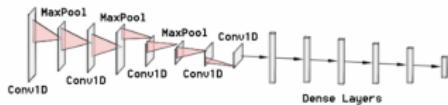


Figure 6: Visualization of the final CNN architecture.

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## Flight State Estimation of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles

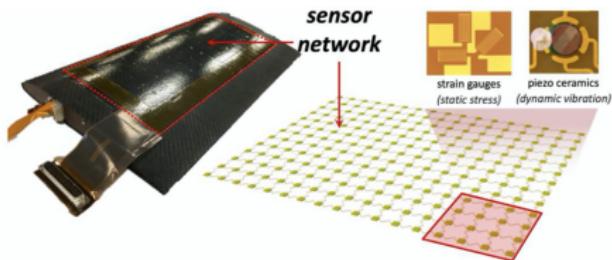
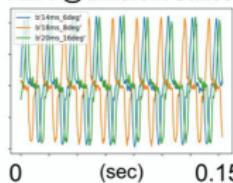


Fig. 1. A composite UAV wing outfitted with a bio-inspired stretchable sensor network consisting of distributed micro-sensors.

PZT1 @ Different States



SG @ Different States

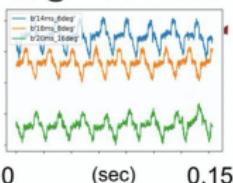
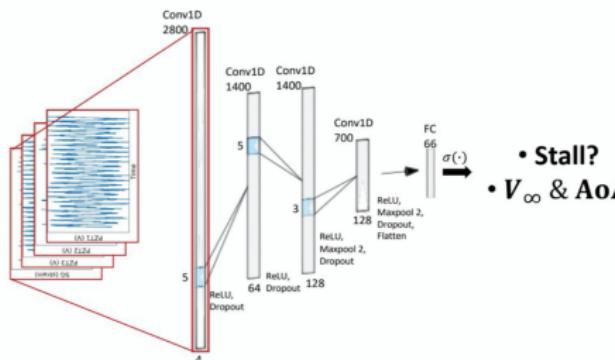


Fig. 4. Sample 0.15 seconds data of data collected at different states (left: data collected by PZT 1 senors, right: data collected by strain gauge)



# Questions?