Integrating complex multimodal health data for clinical prediction with artificial intelligence

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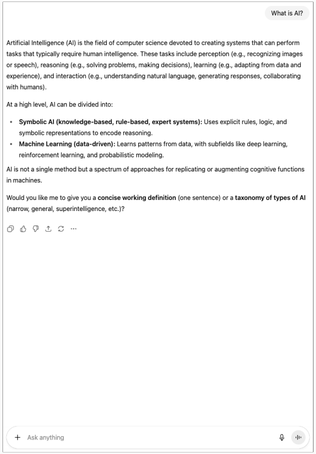

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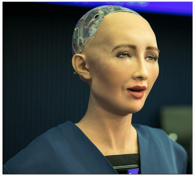

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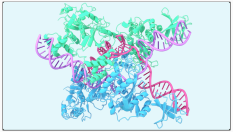

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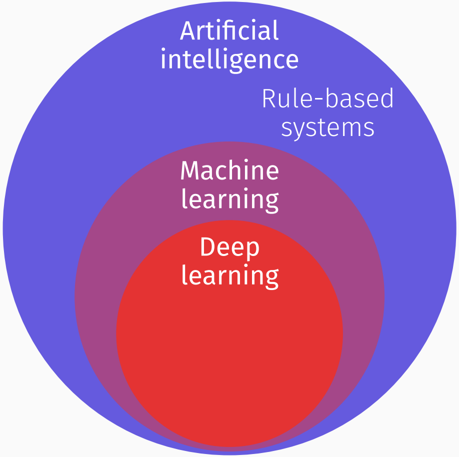

Artificial intelligence
The field of study producing technology that solves tasks requiring some form of intelligence

Machine learning
A set of techniques to solve problems by allowing machines to find patterns in training data

Deep learning
Machine learning approaches that rely on artificial neural networks

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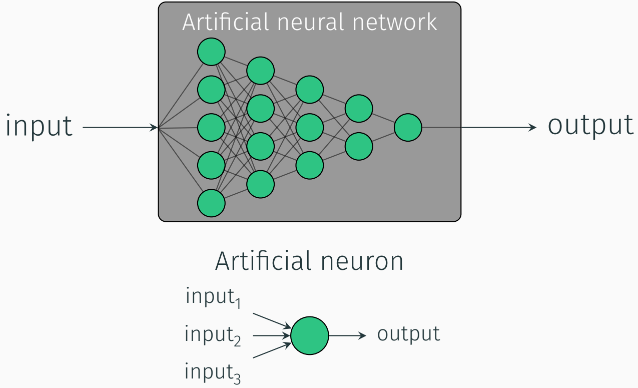

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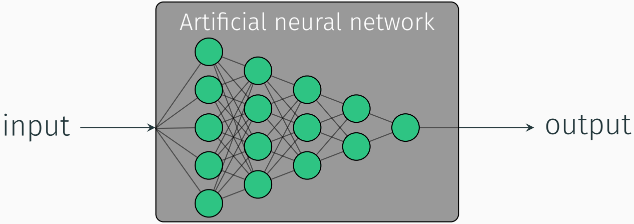

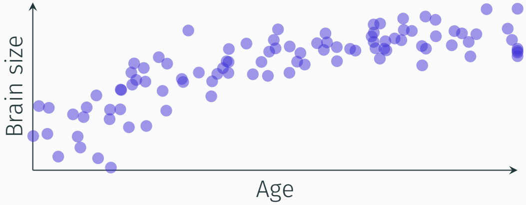

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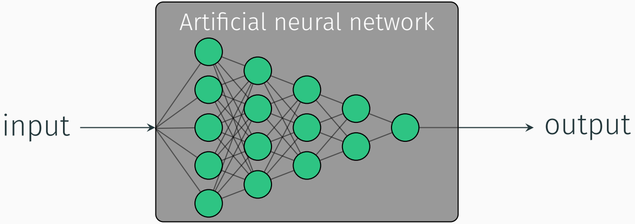

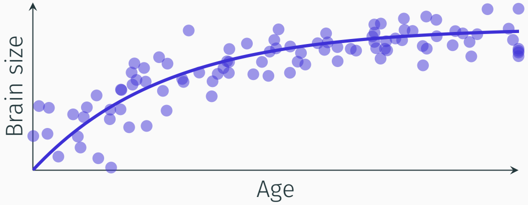

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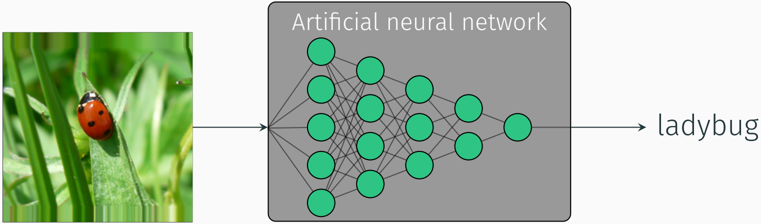

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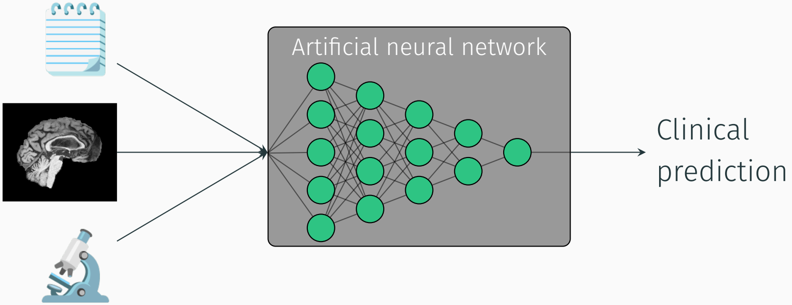

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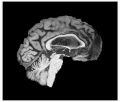

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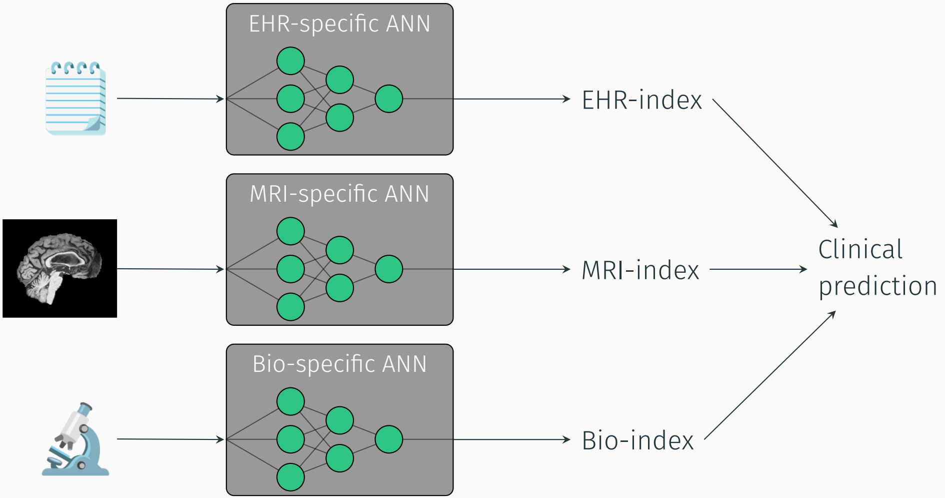

Late fusion: independent insights, combined decisions

- Modality 1: Anamnestic data, which includes Age at hospitalization, Sex, Cardiovascular disorders, Neurological disorders, Oncological disorders, Diabetes, Obesity, Dyspnea and Smoking attitude;

- Modality 2: Hospitalisation data, which includes X-Ray at hospitalization, unenhanced chest CT at hospitalization, Days of fever at hospitalization, Lactate Dehydrogenase (LDH) at hospitalization, C Reactive Protein (CRP) at hospitalization, D-dimer at hospitalization, Creatinine at hospitalization, X-Ray at discharge, unenhanced chest CT at discharge, CRP at discharge and Creatinine at discharge;

- Modality 3: Ventilation data, which includes Peripheral Oxygen Saturation (SpO_2) at hospitalization, Oxygen Saturation (O_2) at hospitalization, Days of ventilation, Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) ventilation and Non-invasive ventilation (NIV) ventilation.

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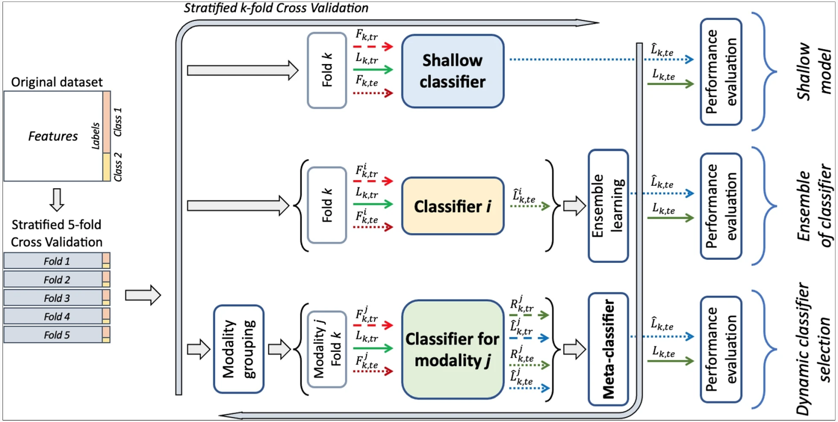

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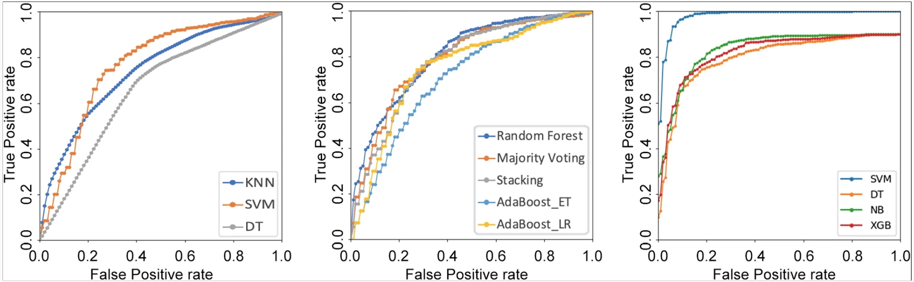

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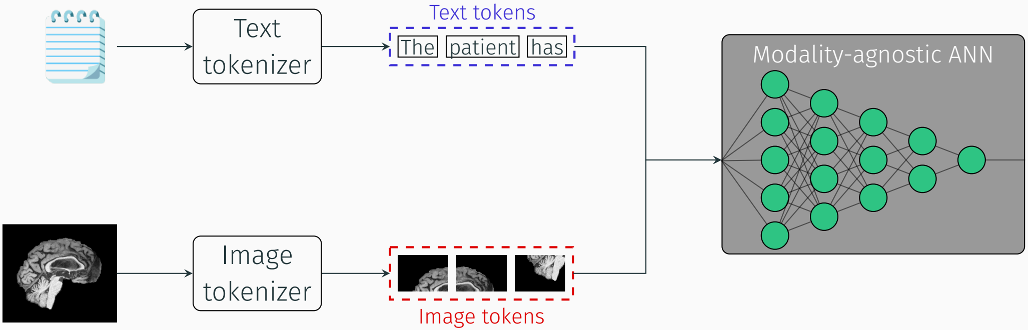

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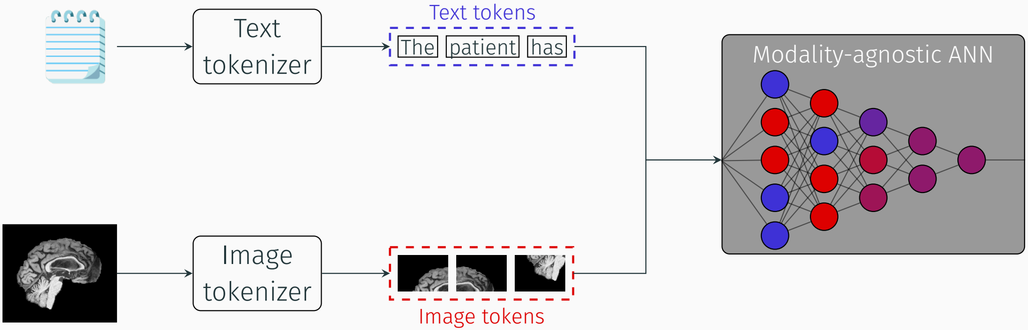

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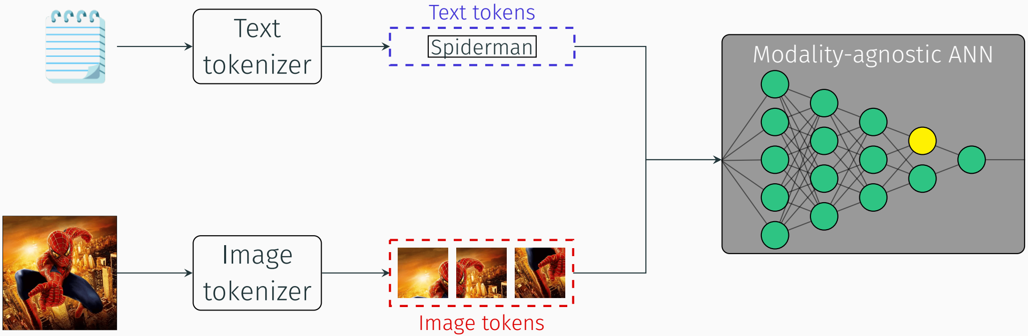

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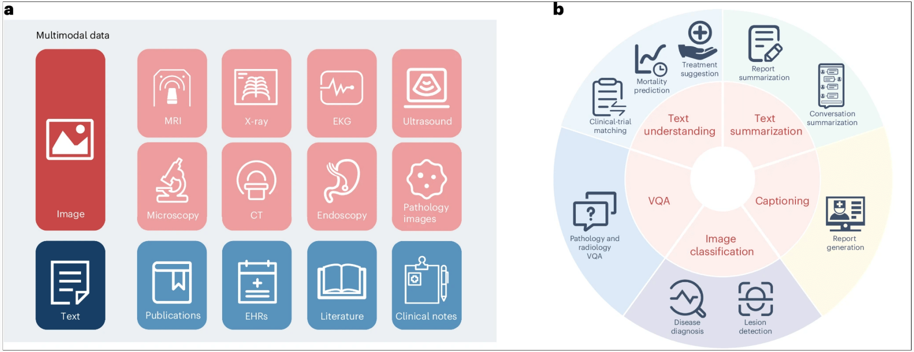

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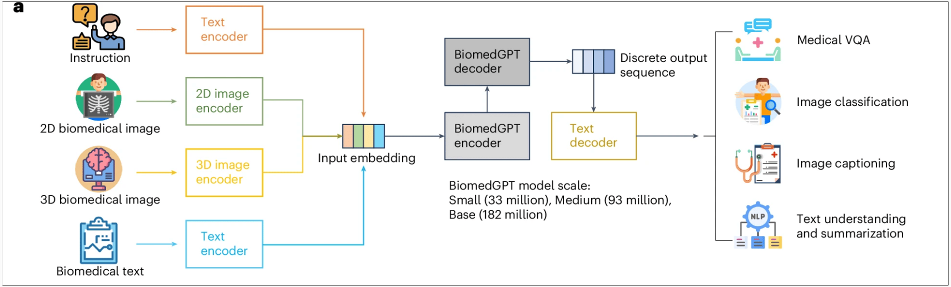

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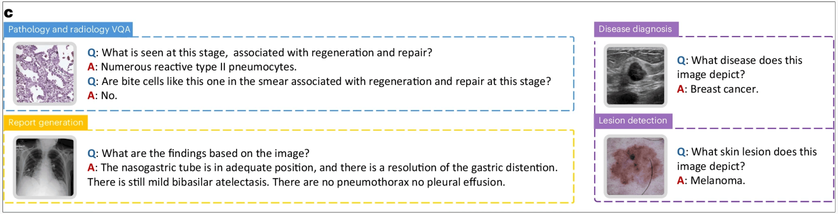

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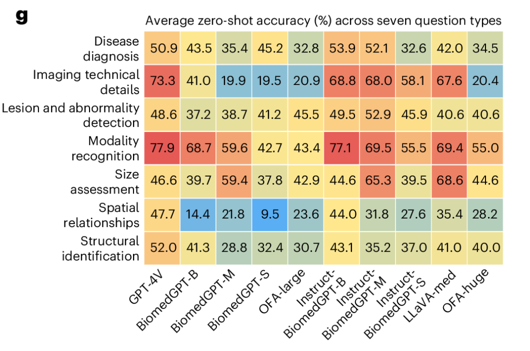

g Average zero-shot accuracy (%) across seven question types

	GPT-4V	BiomedGPT-B	BiomedGPT-M	BiomedGPT-S	OFA-large	Instruct-BiomedGPT-B	Instruct-BiomedGPT-M	Instruct-BiomedGPT-S	LLaVA-med	OFA-huge
Disease diagnosis	50.9	43.5	35.4	45.2	32.8	53.9	52.1	32.6	42.0	34.5
Imaging technical details	73.3	41.0	19.9	19.5	20.9	68.8	68.0	58.1	67.6	20.4
Lesion and abnormality detection	48.6	37.2	38.7	41.2	45.5	49.5	52.9	45.9	40.6	40.6
Modality recognition	77.9	68.7	59.6	42.7	43.4	77.1	69.5	55.5	69.4	55.0
Size assessment	46.6	39.7	59.4	37.8	42.9	44.6	65.3	39.5	68.6	44.6
Spatial relationships	47.7	14.4	21.8	9.5	23.6	44.0	31.8	27.6	35.4	28.2
Structural identification	52.0	41.3	28.8	32.4	30.7	43.1	35.2	37.0	41.0	40.0

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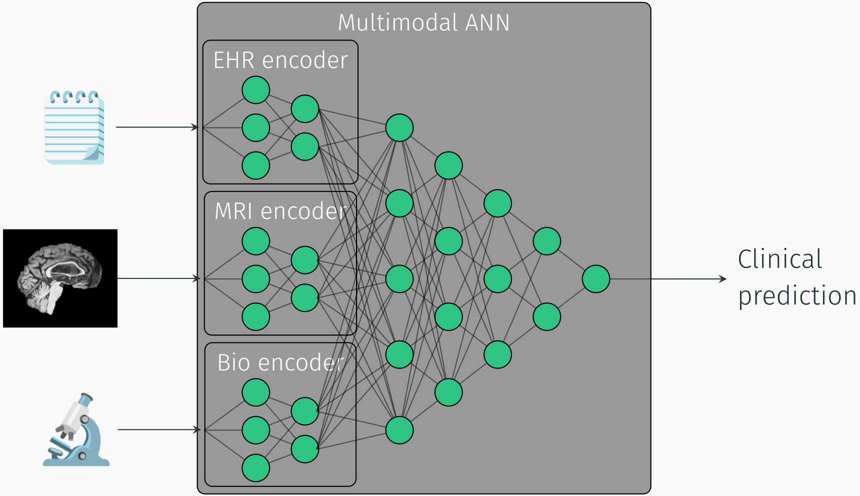
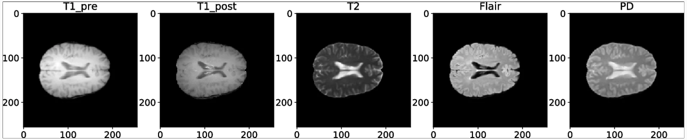


Intermediate fusion: integrating insights along the way

Structured EHR

LABORATORY TEST			VITAL SIGN	MEDICATION
Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobi	Carbon Dioxide	Albumin	Diastolic Blood Pressure	Baclofen
Red Cell Distribution Width	Basophils	Glucose Level	Systolic Blood Pressure	Gabapentin
Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin Concentration	White Blood Cell Count	eGFR	Heart Rate	Copaxone
Mean Corpuscular Volume	Hematocrit	Albumin/Globulin Ratio	Weight	Gilenya

Multimodal MRI



Clinical notes

The patient's clinical notes are documented in unstructured free-text format and provide a comprehensive account of the patient's health status. These notes encompass a range of vital

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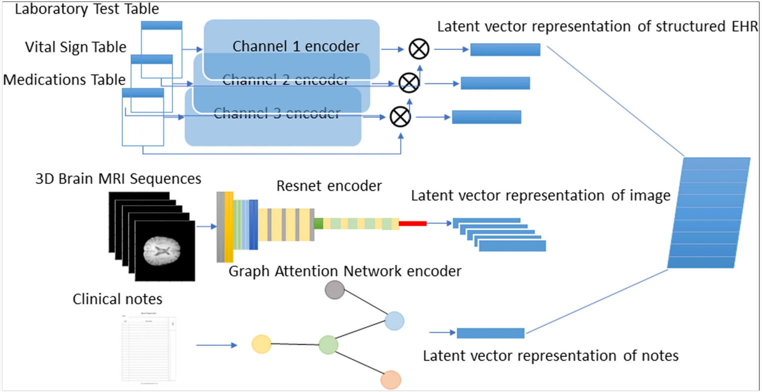

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	AUROC	AUPRC	Sensitivity	Specificity	Accuracy
MRI T1-pre	0.6462 ± 0.0352	0.2074 ± 0.0145	0.5089 ± 0.0397	0.7679 ± 0.0209	0.6567 ± 0.0300
MRI T1-post	0.6437 ± 0.0389	0.2027 ± 0.0180	0.5501 ± 0.0390	0.6536 ± 0.0252	0.6697 ± 0.0199
MRI T2	0.7736 ± 0.0268	0.2245 ± 0.0198	0.6834 ± 0.0223	0.7409 ± 0.0398	0.7467 ± 0.0390
MRI FLAIR	0.7945 ± 0.2798	0.3306 ± 0.0309	**0.7689 ± 0.0261**	0.7423 ± 0.0265	0.7423 ± 0.0399
MRI PD	0.5430 ± 0.0401	0.0998 ± 0.0321	**0.7536 ± 0.0218**	0.4862 ± 0.0300	0.5046 ± 0.0399
Clinical Notes	0.7048 ± 0.0365	0.5201 ± 0.0293	0.4632 ± 0.0320	**0.8956 ± 0.0235**	0.4958 ± 0.0301
Structured EHR	0.6589 ± 0.0193	0.3651 ± 0.0265	0.7015 ± 0.0263	0.6587 ± 0.0366	0.6984 ± 0.0265
MRIs & Notes	**0.7988 ± 0.0465**	**0.6321 ± 0.0299**	0.7024 ± 0.0536	**0.7792 ± 0.0563**	**0.7963 ± 0.0422**
MRIs & EHR	0.7836 ± 0.0531	0.4265 ± 0.0323	0.6789 ± 0.0411	0.6875 ± 0.0333	0.6841 ± 0.0523
EHR & Notes	**0.8078 ± 0.0232**	**0.7978 ± 0.0453**	0.7268 ± 0.0435	0.7643 ± 0.0255	**0.8125 ± 0.0353**
MS-BERT([11])	0.6010 ± 0.0222	0.2064 ± 0.0356	0.3090 ± 0.0265	0.7936 ± 0.0512	0.7788 ± 0.0398
MRI & Notes & EHR	**0.8380 ± 0.0438**	**0.7963 ± 0.0520**	**0.7489 ± 0.0502**	**0.7936 ± 0.0488**	**0.7960 ± 0.0312**

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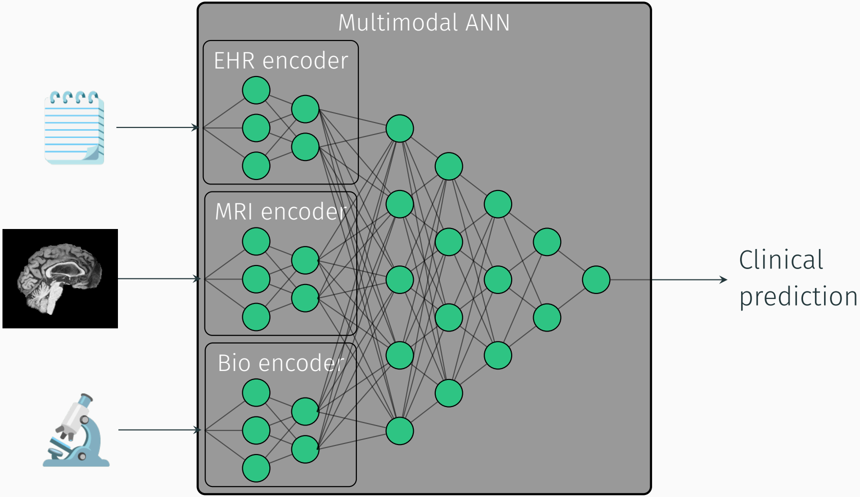

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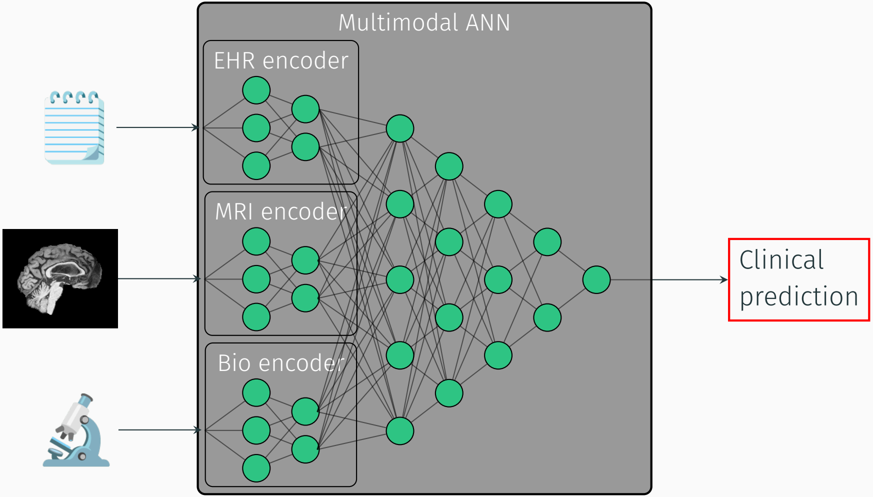

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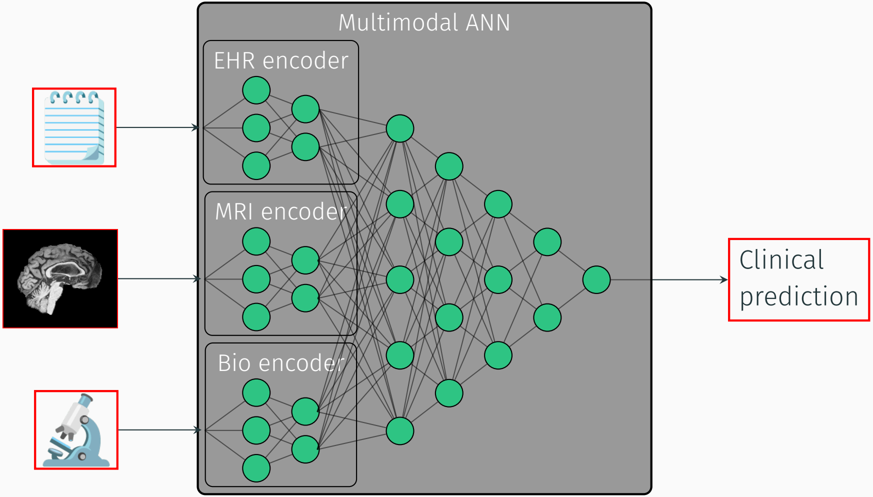

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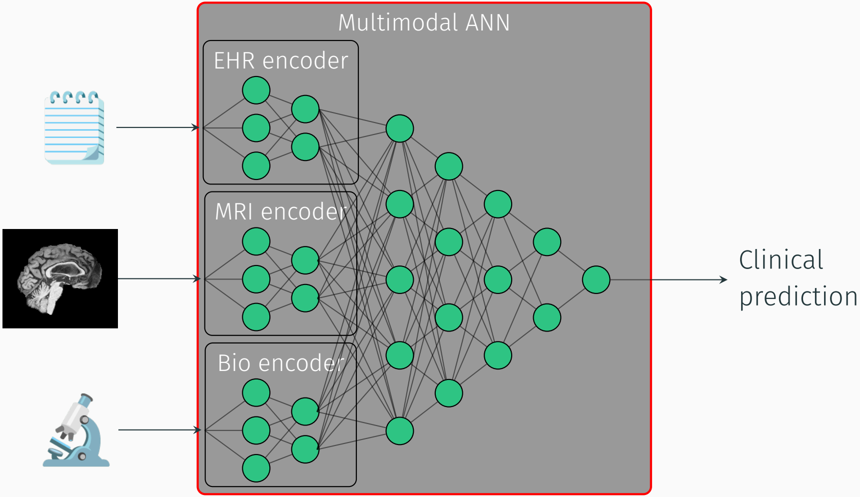

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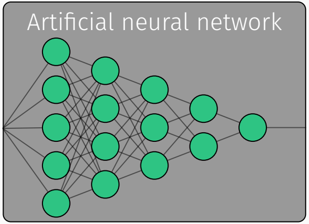

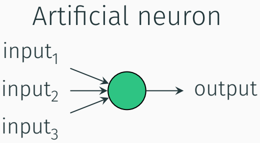

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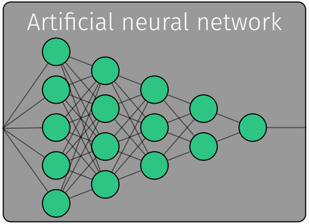

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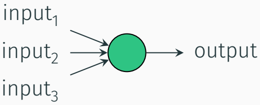

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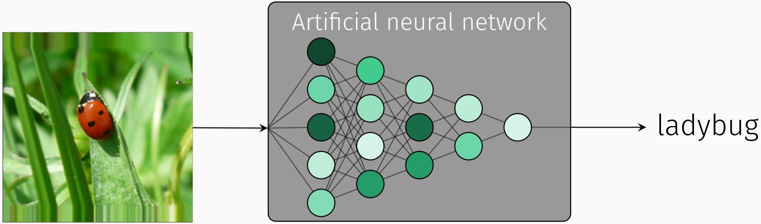

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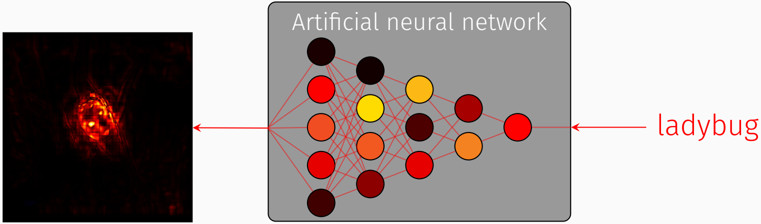

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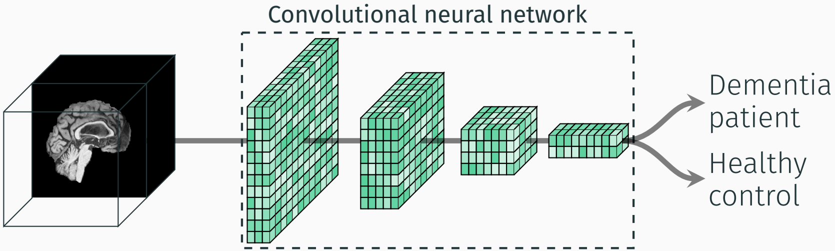

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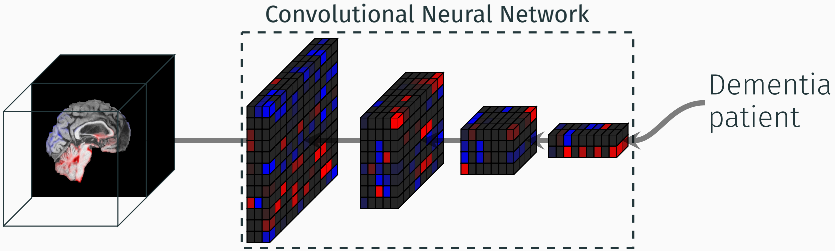

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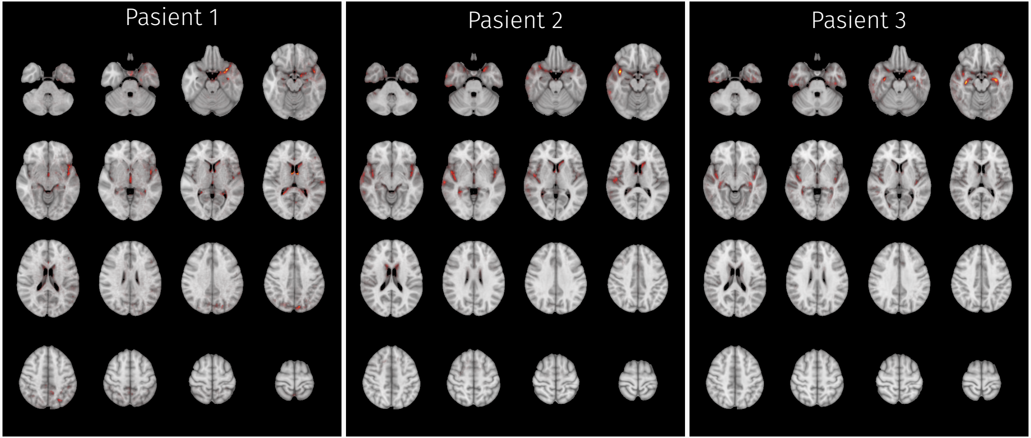

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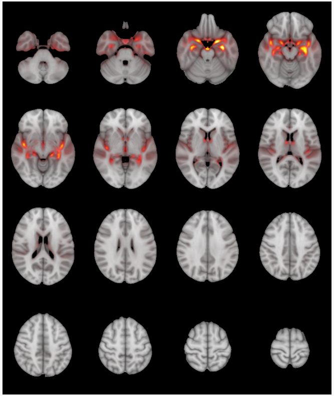

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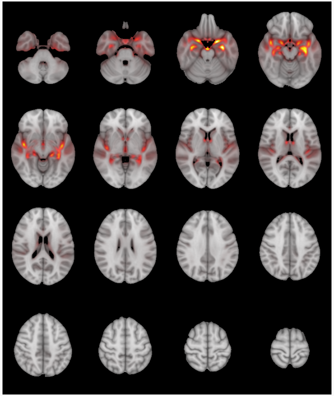

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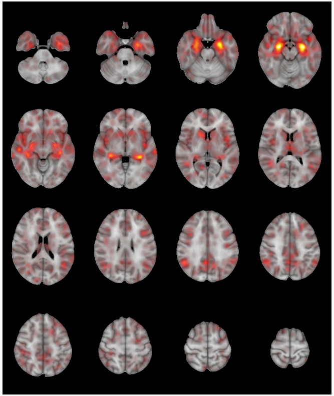

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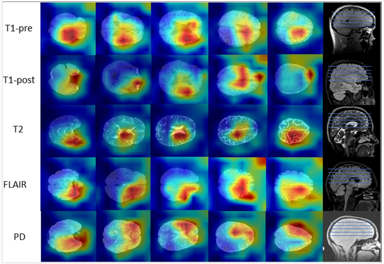

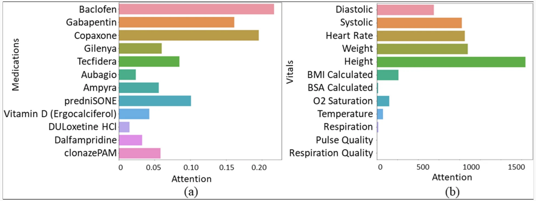

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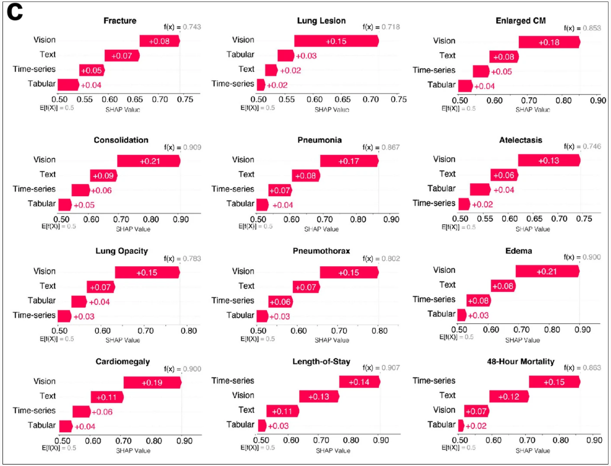

Summary

- Deep learning is transforming many fields, enabling complex modelling of diverse, unstructured data.
- Multimodal AI requires decisions about how and when to combine information.
    - Late fusion: Information is merged after the most complex modelling
    - Early fusion: Information is merged before the most complex modelling
    - Intermediate fusion: Information is merged as a part of the most complex modelling
- Multimodal AI systems may enable clinical predictions with an accuracy surpassing what is currently possible, but explainability remains a challenge
    - Methods are emerging to alleviate these problems, at least partially

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