

# Getting Started with Machine Learning

## Session 1: What is Machine Learning?



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# Session Outline

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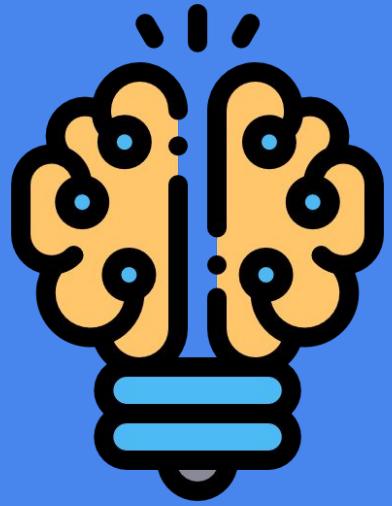
What is Machine Learning (ML)?

2

What is the difference between ML and traditional programming?

3

What challenges can ML be applied to?



# Brainstorm

List the ways you use a computer\*  
each day.

\* Laptop, phone, tablet, etc.

# Traditional Programming vs. Machine Learning





# What food am I thinking of?

How many questions would you need?



**What object am I thinking of?**

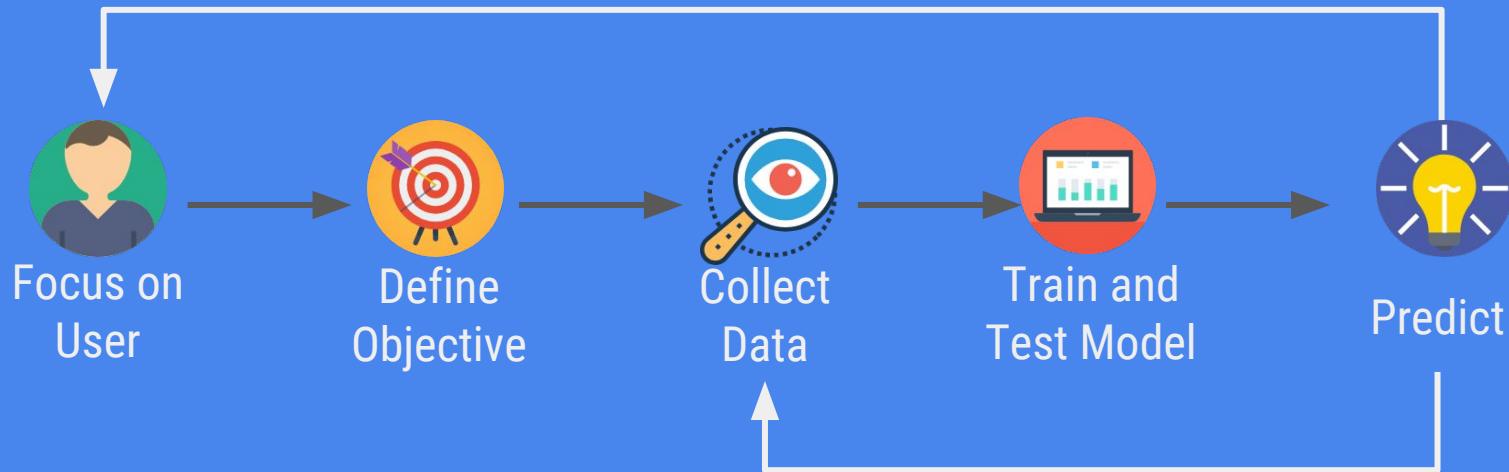
How many questions would you need?

# Traditional Programming

```
if object.height > 10:  
    do x  
if object.color is blue:  
    do y  
if object.numberOfLegs > 2:  
    do z  
...  
...
```

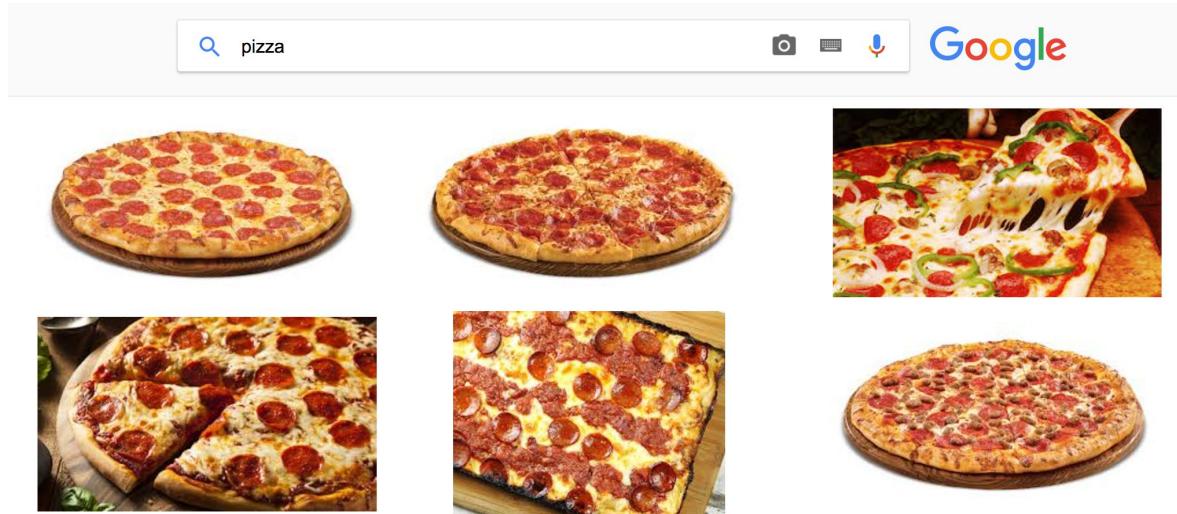
System only does what it was programmed to do

# Machine Learning



# Example: Image Search

## Google Image Search



# Example: Drawing

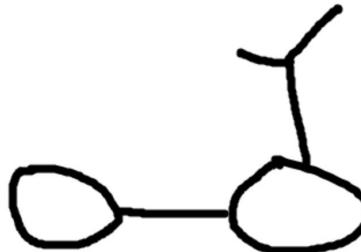
## Quick Draw with Google

Draw

bicycle

in under 20 seconds

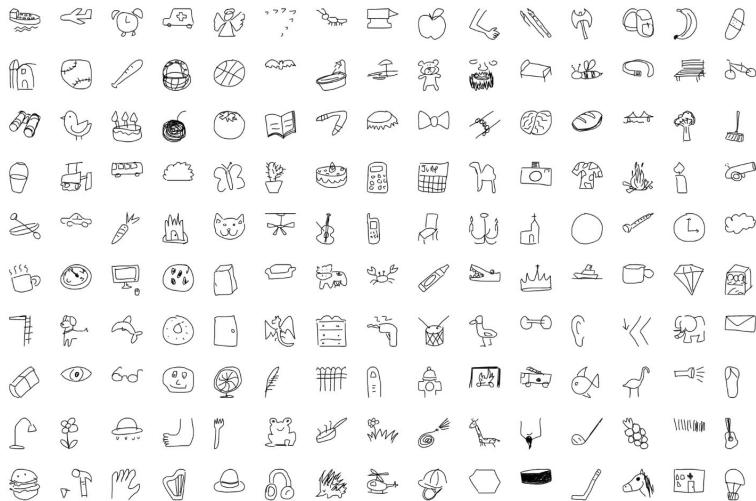
Got It!



I see motorbike, police car, cherry

# Example: Drawing (Data)

## Quick Draw with Google Data



ఈ ప్రాయిస్ వీలు నీ మన లో ఉన్న తండ్రి  
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122,500 bicycle drawings

# What Can Machine Learning Do?

**Classify**

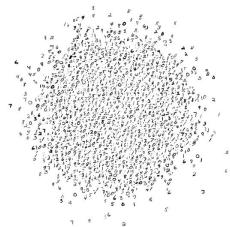


# What Can Machine Learning Do?

Classify



Cluster

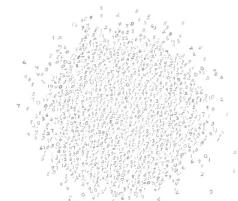


# What Can Machine Learning Do?

Classify



Cluster



Recommend

Would you like  
to meet at 3pm?

Sounds good  
I'll see you at 3  
Sorry, I can't

# Example: YouTube

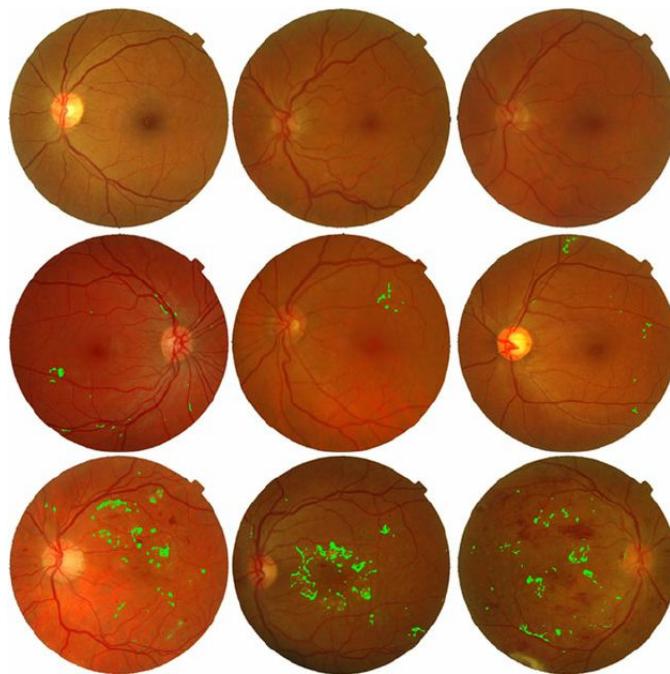


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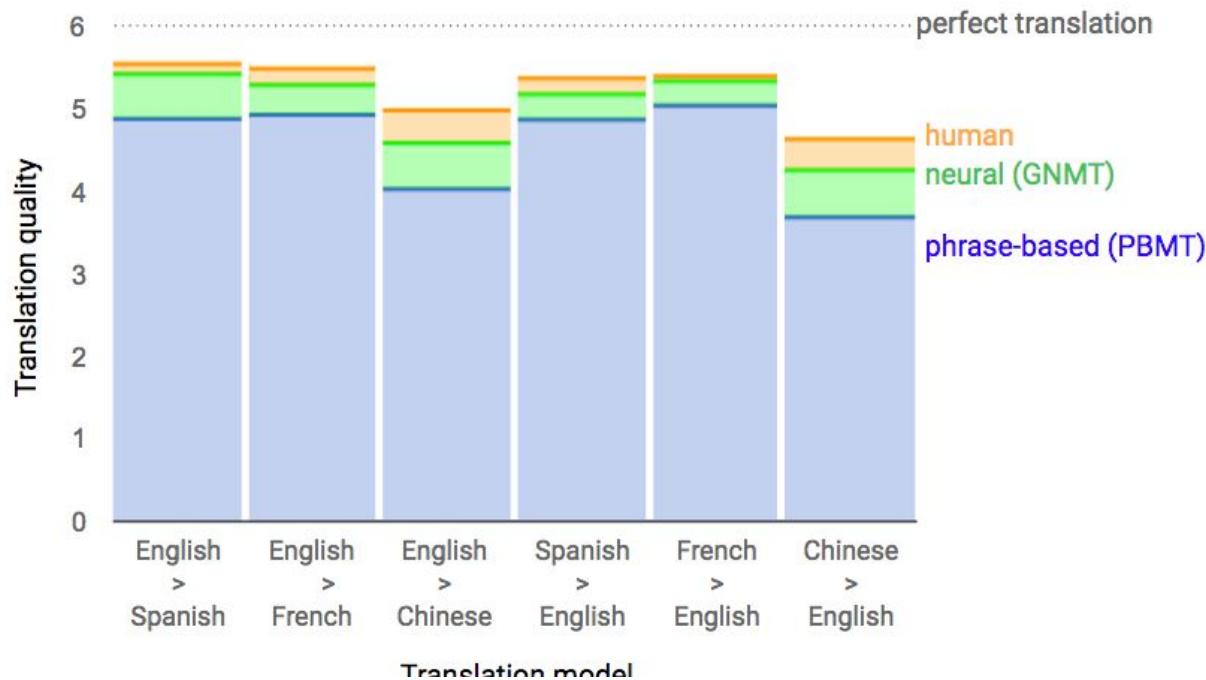
# Example: Vision Loss from Retina Images



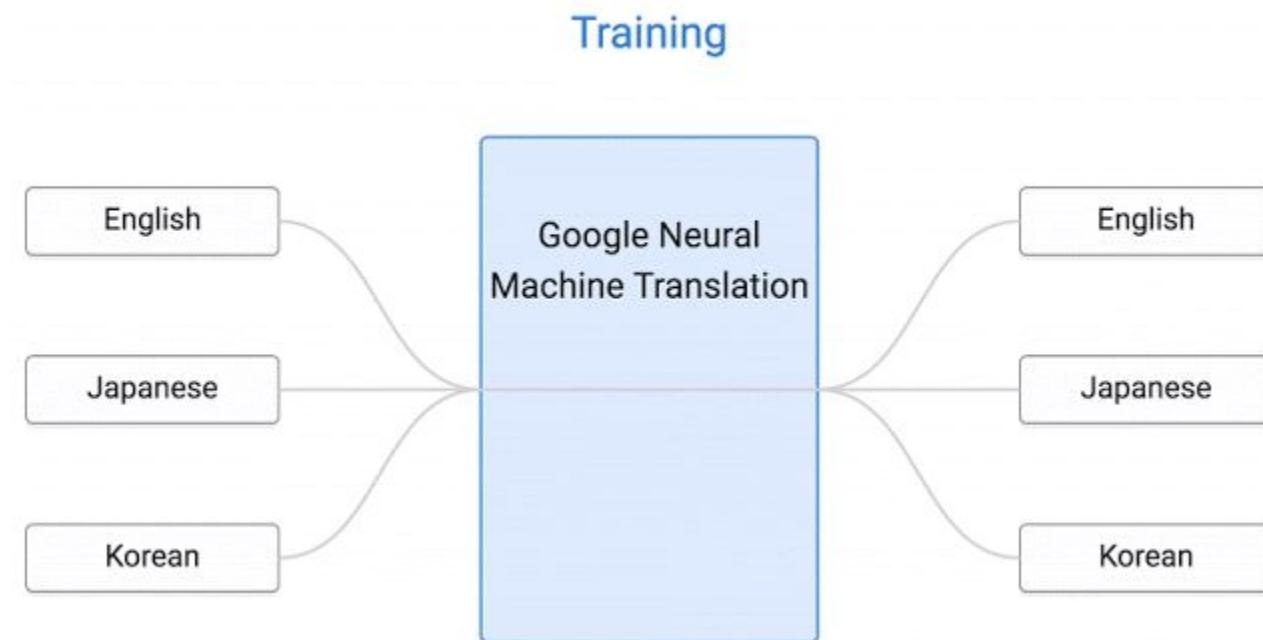
# Example: Google Translate (previous version)



# Example: Google Translate (deep neural network)

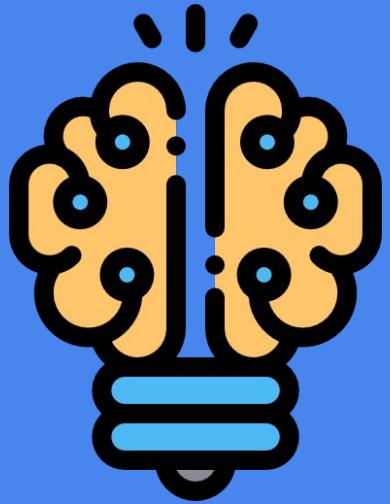


# Example: Google Translate (zero-shot translation)



# When to use ML?

Alphabetizing a list of song titles	Not ML
Ranking web search results	Both
Predicting housing prices from location data	ML
Processing online payments	Not ML
Recognizing an object in an image	ML
Creating a computer player for an Xs Os game.	Not ML
Creating a computer player for a chess game.	Both



# Brainstorm

How could machine learning be applied to the ways you use a computer\* each day?

\* Laptop, phone, tablet, etc.

# Each has its benefits

## Traditional Programming

Explicit instructions  
from programmer

Improvements come  
from better algorithms

## Machine Learning

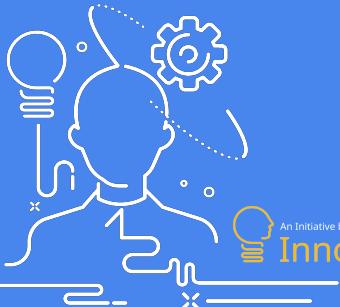
System learns patterns  
from data

Improvements may  
also come from  
additional data



# Getting Started with Machine Learning

## Session 2: Using Machine Learning



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# Learning Objectives

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

1

Explain how Google's CloudML platform can be used to create different ML applications.

2

Design and implement a simple app that uses Google's Cloud APIs.

# Introduction to Machine Learning APIs



# Review: What can ML be used for?

In the last session, we classified Machine Learning applications into 3 different categories.

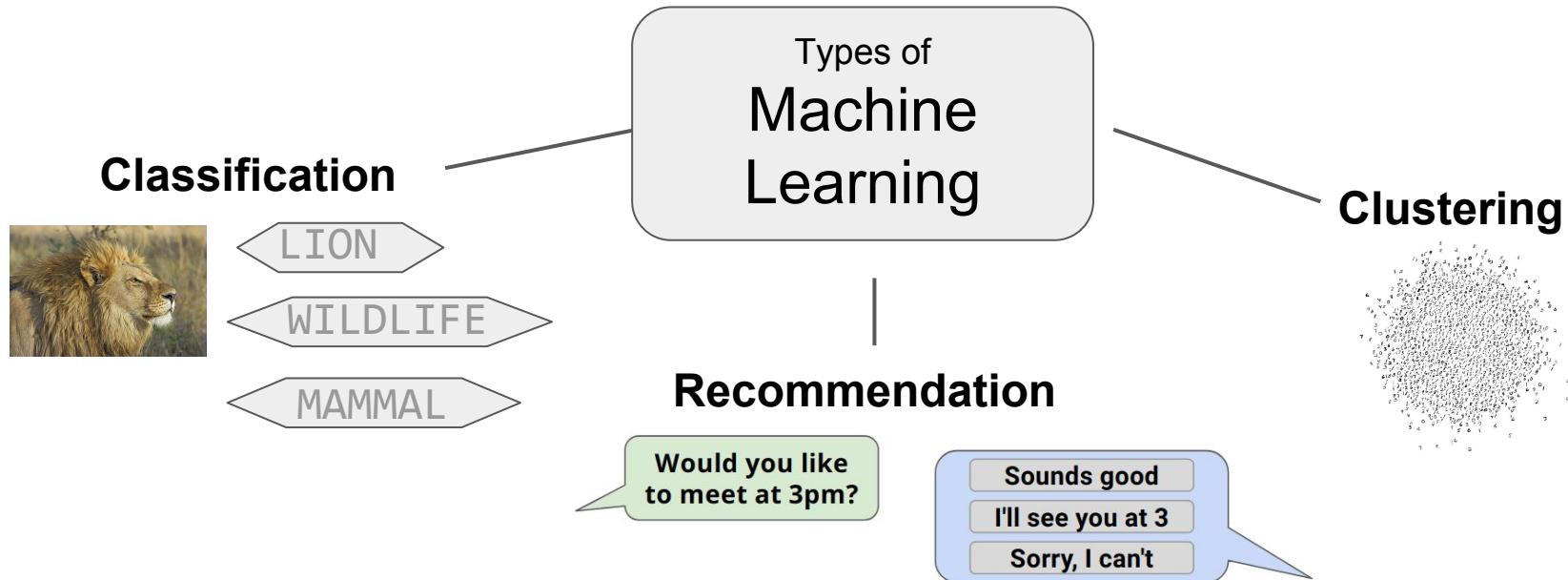
Can you remember what these categories were?

Classification

Clustering

Recommendation

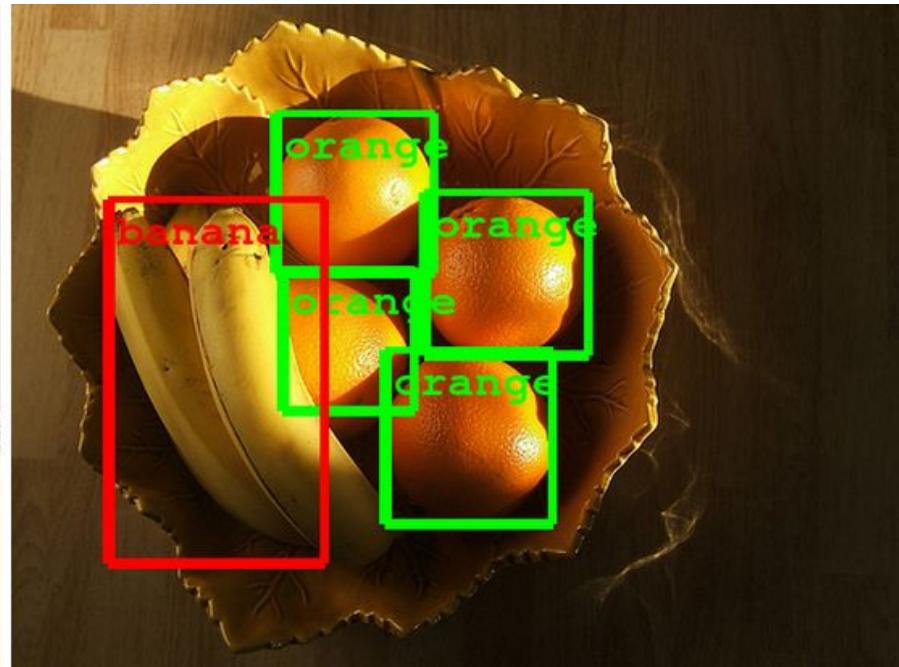
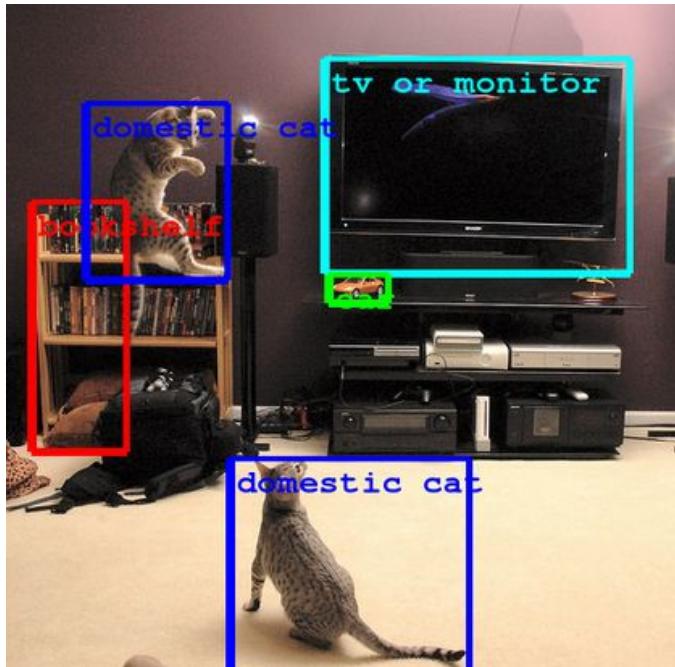
# Review: What can ML be used for?



How many examples of Machine Learning can you brainstorm?

# Image Recognition

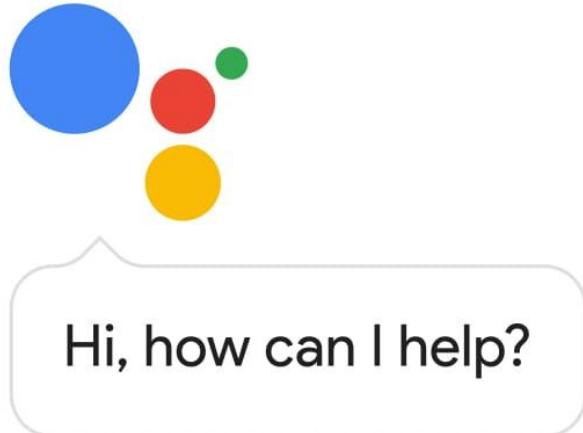
Used to detect individual features / components of an image.



# Space Recognition

Translating spoken word to text (Transcribing)

Language detection



# Natural Language Understanding (NLU)

Being able to understand and respond to language.



“Find me an Italian restaurant  
Action Food type search type  
in New York City.”  
location

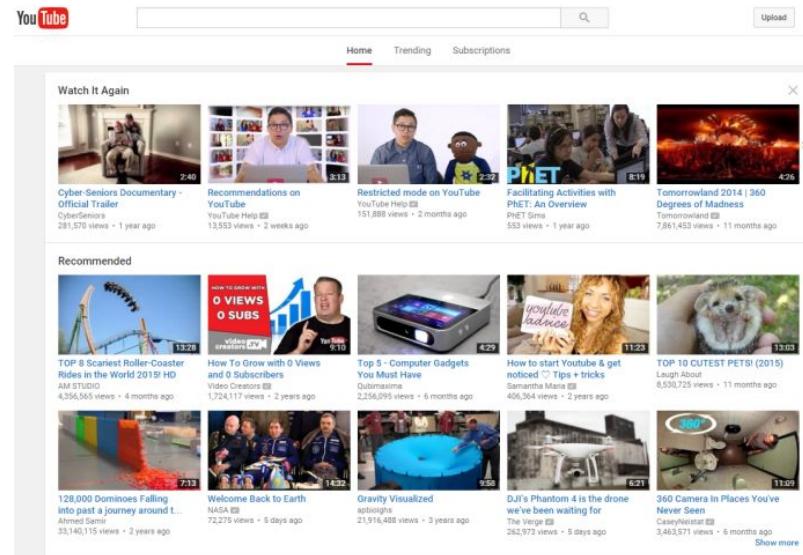


“And what’s the weather there  
search type city name  
tomorrow?”  
time

# Personalized Recommendations

YouTube recommendations.

Learning and predicting what a user might like.



What is a **function**, in programming terms?

# Functions in Programming

A function is a block of code which you can use just by knowing its name.

You don't

Function

You can use  
JavaScript  
code that  
rounding.

to control a  
the code

## How many other functions can you think of?

Math.round(3.18)

```
camera.start_preview()  
sleep(5)  
camera.capture('/home/pi/Desktop/image.jpg')  
camera.stop_preview()
```

# Functions in Programming

A **function** is a block of code which you can use just by knowing its name.  
You don't need to know how it works!

How is ordering a meal  
like using a function?



# Functions in Programming

A **function** is a block of code which you can use just by knowing its name.



I'll have the "tomato  
and coconut  
cassoulet," please

Coming  
up!



You can get the result you want just by  
knowing the right name - you don't have  
to understand how it is created!

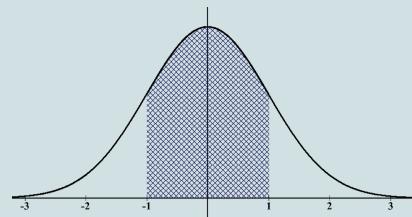
# Application Programming Interfaces

An Application Programming Interface, or API, is a **collection of functions** which are used to access features written by someone else.

An API with functions for encrypting and decrypting data



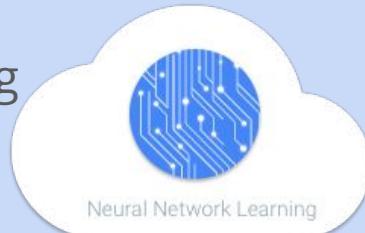
An API for doing statistical calculations



An API for easily reading and writing files



An API for Machine Learning



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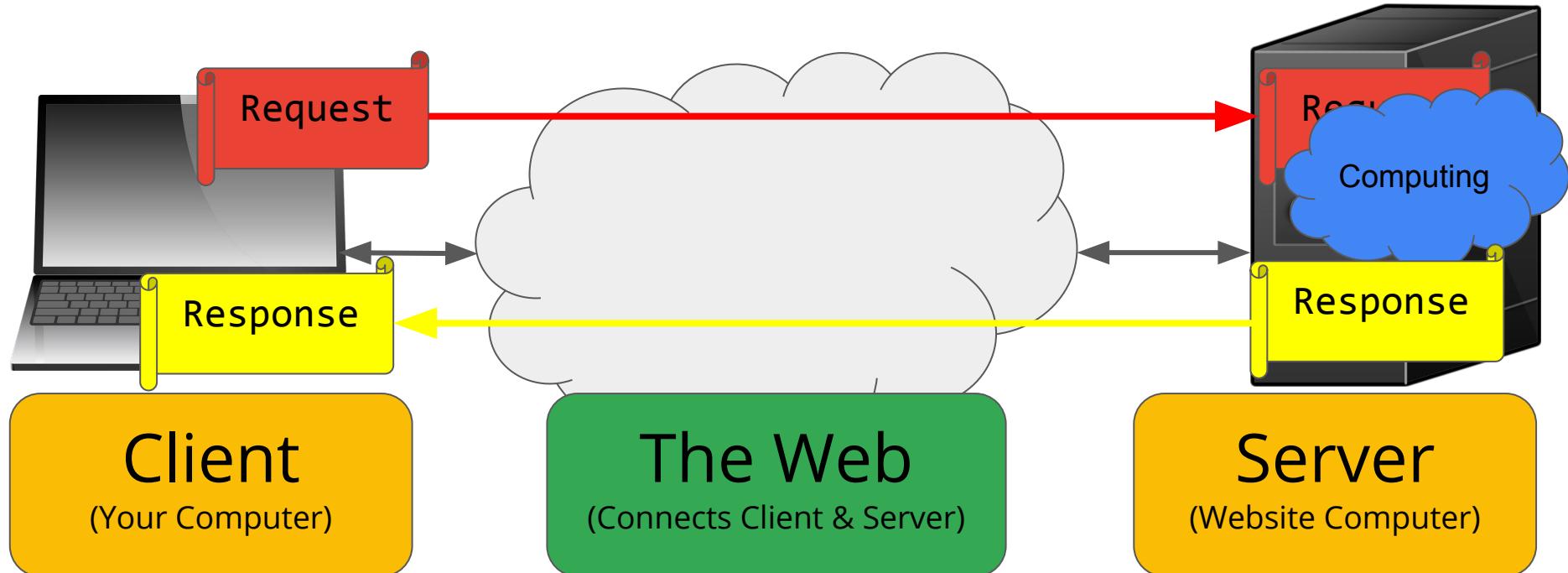
How is a restaurant menu like an API?



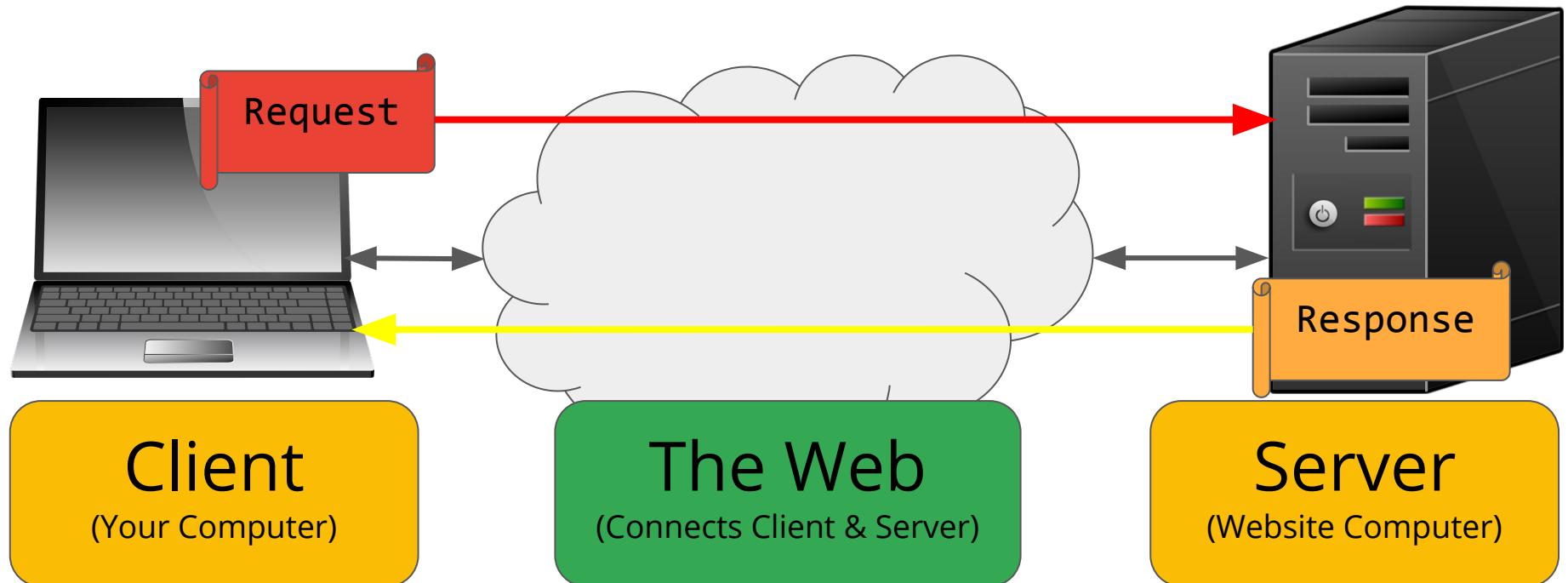
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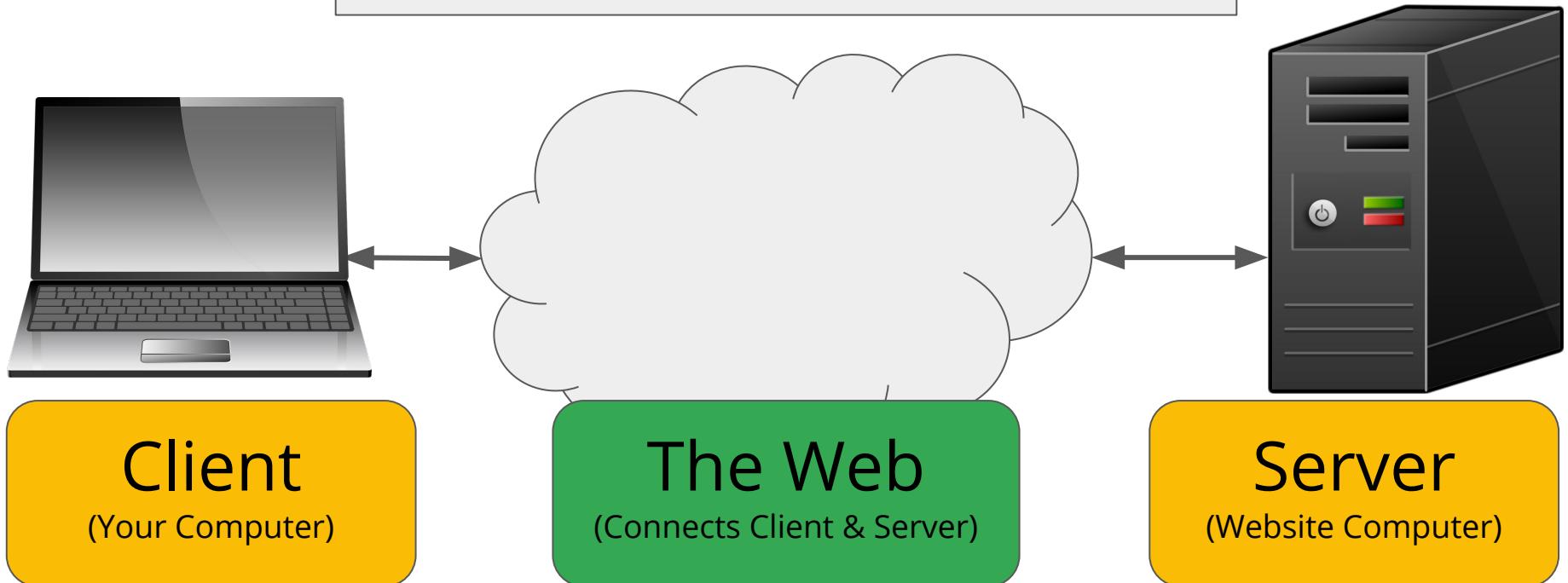


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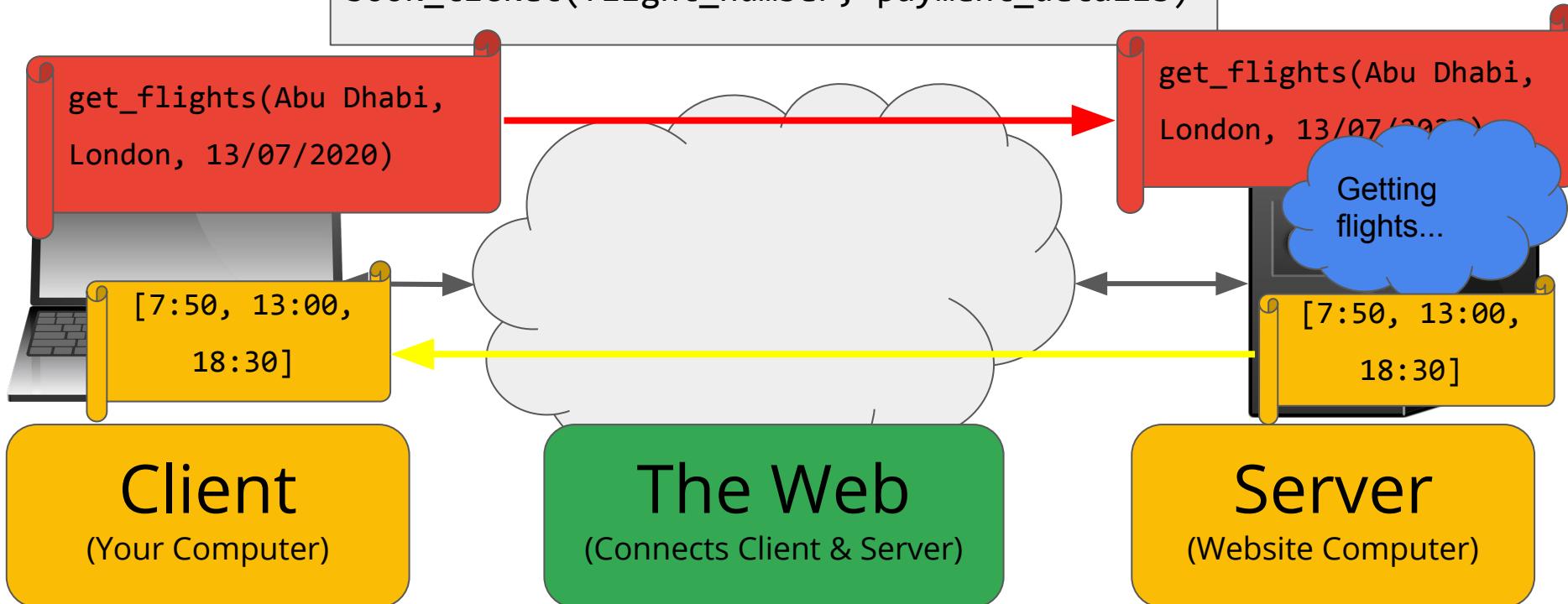
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```
get_flights(start_city, end_city, date)  
book_ticket(flight_number, payment_details)
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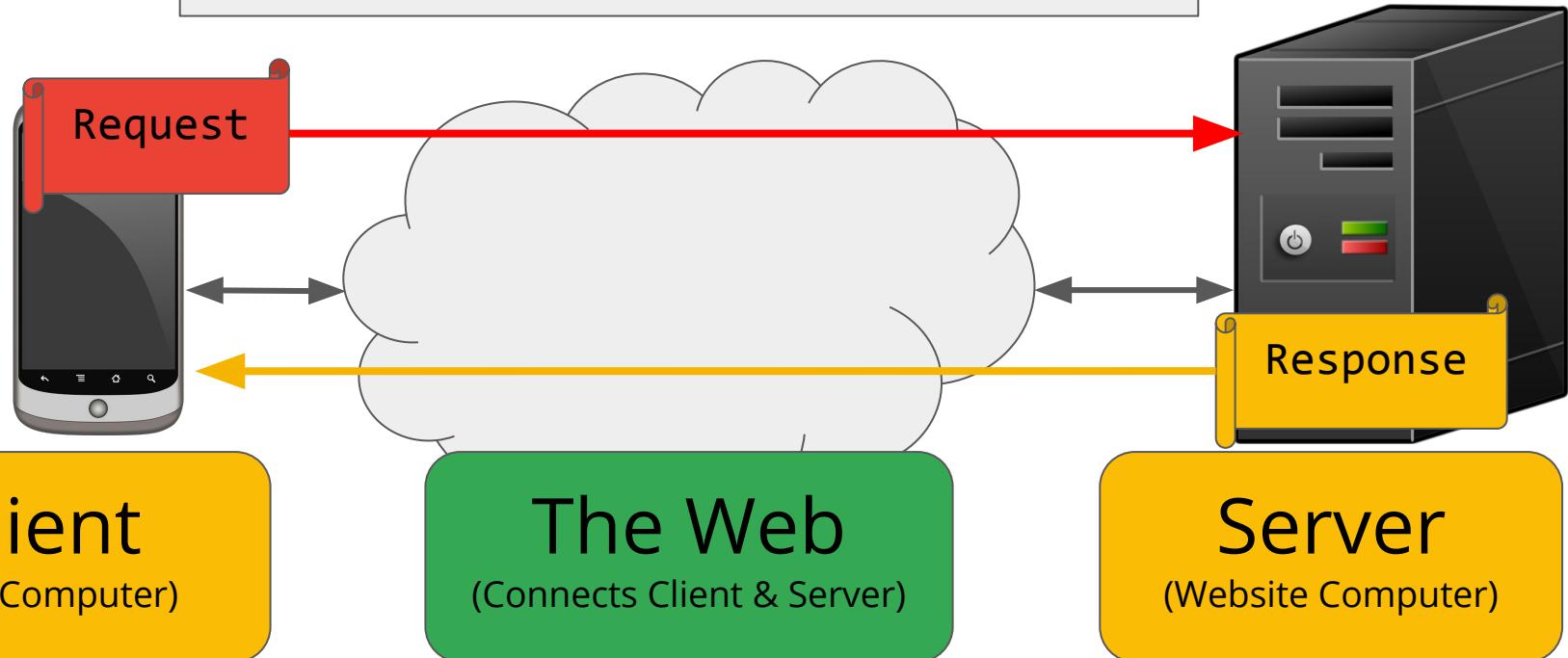


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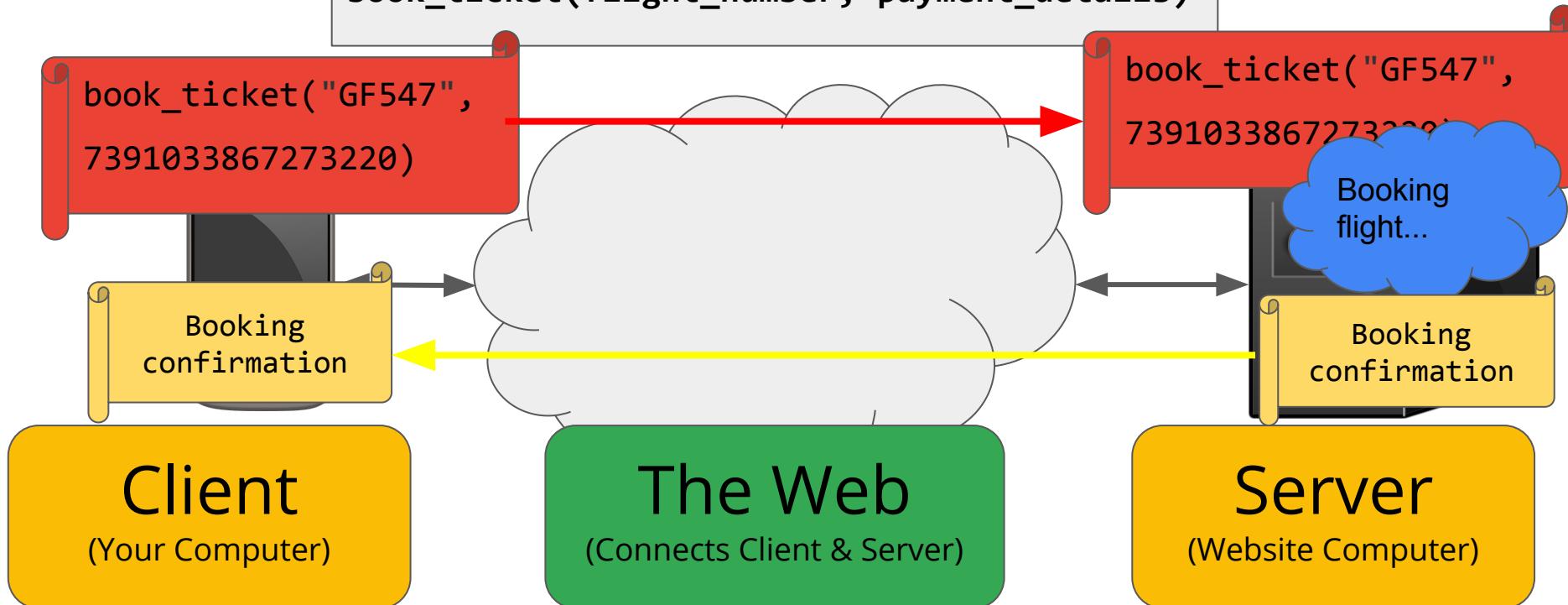
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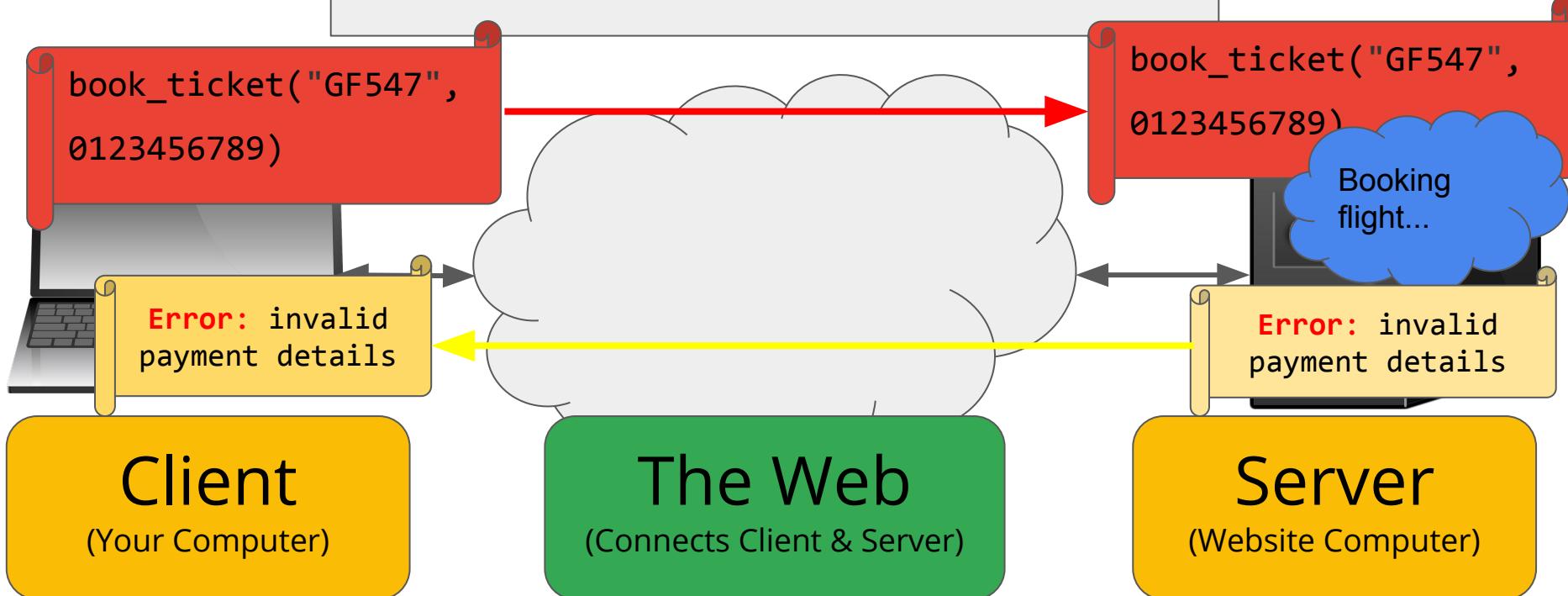
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# Flight Booking API

`get_flights(start_city, end_city, date)`

`book_ticket(flight_number, payment_details)`



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# New Flight Booking API

`get_flights(start_city, end_city, date)`

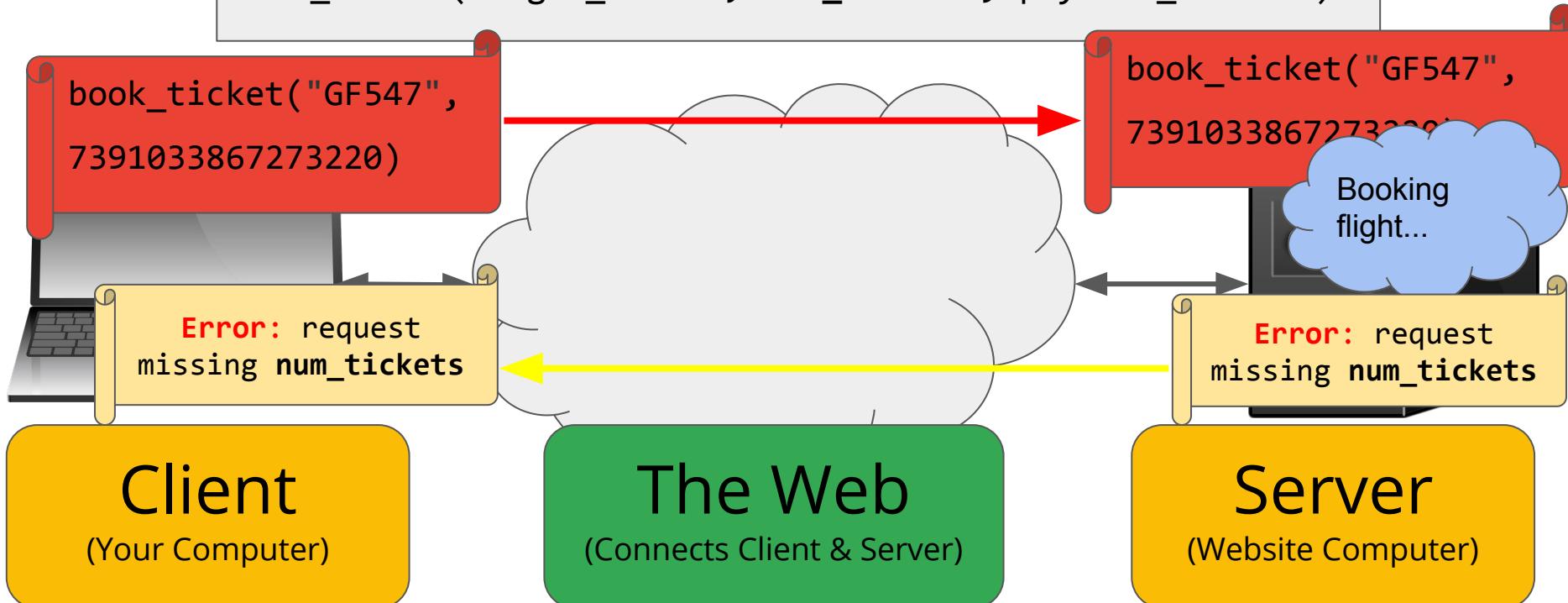
`book_ticket(flight_number, num_tickets, payment_details)`



# New Flight Booking API

`get_flights(start_city, end_city, date)`

`book_ticket(flight_number, num_tickets, payment_details)`



# Hinge-Point Quiz

What does API stand for?

- A. Autonomous Programmed Input
- B. Amazing Pink Iguana
- C. Application Programming Interface**
- D. Automatic Process Initiation

[Click here to skip quiz](#)

# Hinge-Point Quiz

When might you use an API when writing a program?

- A. To use features that have been coded by other people
- B. To automatically complete lines of code
- C. To communicate using the Internet
- D. To check code for bugs

# Hinge-Point Quiz

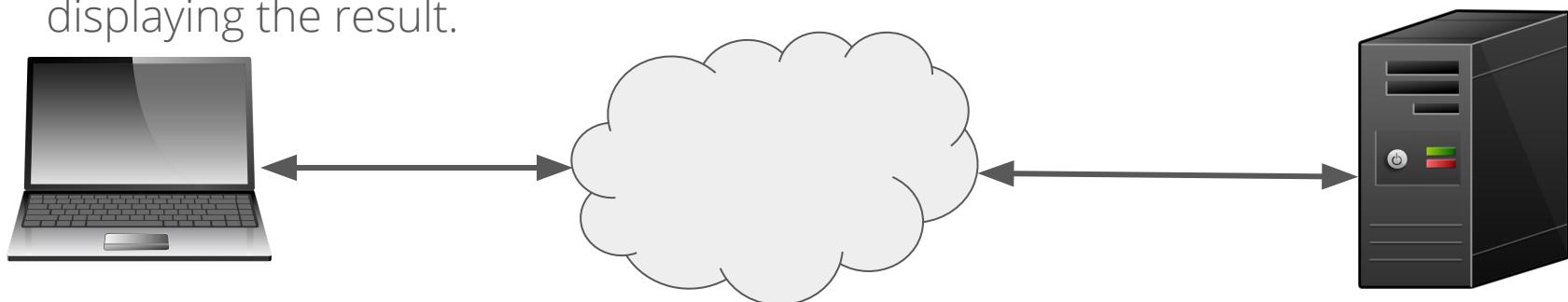
If you are a programmer, why might you implement an API?

- A. To allow your programs to be executed in parallel
- B. To make sure that no one else can benefit from your work
- C. **To allow other programmers to use your work without necessarily understanding how it works**
- D. To ensure that your code has no bugs

# Hinge-Point Quiz

Which statement is **false**, and why?

- A. To use a Web API, the client sends a request to the server using the Web.
- B. When it receives a request, the server does any required processing.
- C. When it has worked out the result, the server creates a new web page displaying the result.



**Client**  
(Your Computer)

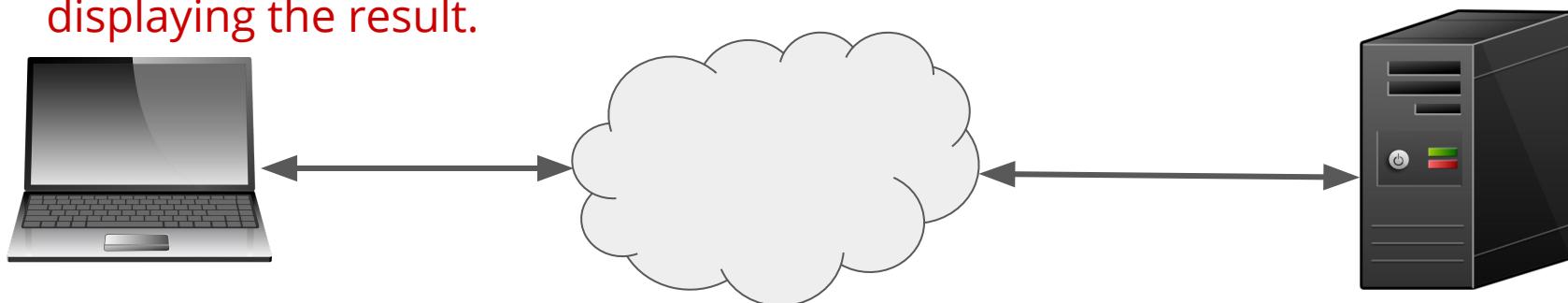
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(Connects Client & Server)

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# Hinge-Point Quiz

Which statement is **false**, and why?

- A. To use a Web API, the client sends a request to the server using the web.
- B. When it receives a request, the server does any working out it needs to.
- C. When it has worked out the result, the server ~~creates a new web page displaying the result~~ sends the result back directly to the client.



**Client**  
(Your Computer)

**The Web**  
(Connects Client & Server)

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(Website Computer)

# Creating APIs for Game Developers





# Google™



# Demo: Vision API

[cloud.google.com/vision/](https://cloud.google.com/vision/)

Google Cloud Platform

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the request or integrate with your image storage on Google Cloud Storage.

Try the API

Drag image file here or  
Browse from your computer

Insight From Your Images

Easily detect broad sets of objects in your images, from flowers, animals other object categories commonly found within images. Vision API implementation has been improved and accuracy is improved.

3 CARS  
10 FLOWERS  
5 RABBITS  
2 MOUNTAINS  
7 BIRDS

Labels Web Text Document Properties Safe Search

Sea 96%  
Nature 94%  
Body Of Water 93%  
Coast 93%  
Sky 93%  
Coastal And Oceanic Landforms 92%  
Water 91%  
Promontory 85%

The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Vision API interface. On the left, there's a 'Try the API' section with a dashed box for dragging images and a placeholder for browsing files. Below it is an 'Insight From Your Images' section with a sample image showing a beach and mountains, and a sidebar with a camera icon and a list of detected objects: 3 CARS, 10 FLOWERS, 5 RABBITS, 2 MOUNTAINS, and 7 BIRDS. On the right, the main interface displays a landscape image with分析 results. The 'Labels' tab is selected, showing the following categories and confidence levels:

Label	Confidence (%)
Sea	96%
Nature	94%
Body Of Water	93%
Coast	93%
Sky	93%
Coastal And Oceanic Landforms	92%
Water	91%
Promontory	85%

The image itself is labeled "FullSizeRender (1).jpg".

# Demo: Speech API

[cloud.google.com/speech/](https://cloud.google.com/speech/)

## Powerful Speech Recognition

Google Cloud Speech API enables developers to **convert audio to text** by applying **powerful neural network models** in an easy to use API. The API **recognizes over 80 languages and variants**, to support your global user base. You can transcribe the text of users dictating to an application's microphone, enable command-and-control through voice, or transcribe audio files, among many other use cases. **Recognize audio uploaded in the request**, and integrate with your audio storage on Google Cloud Storage, by using the same technology Google uses to power its own products.



Convert your speech to text right now

Select a language and click "Start Now" to begin recording

English (Great Britain)

START NOW

# Demo: Natural Language Understanding API

[cloud.google.com/natural-language/](https://cloud.google.com/natural-language/)

Try the API

I have a cat

ANALYZE

See supported languages

Entities Sentiment Syntax

Dependency  Parse Label  Part of Speech  Lemma  Morphology

nsbj root det dobj

I have a cat

PRON VERB DET NOUN

case=NOMINATIVE mood=INDICATIVE number=SINGULAR  
number=SINGULAR person=FIRST tense=PRESENT

```
graph TD; nsubj --> I[ I<br>PRON<br/>case=NOMINATIVE<br/>number=SINGULAR<br/>person=FIRST]; nsubj --> have[ have<br>VERB<br/>mood=INDICATIVE<br/>tense=PRESENT]; root --> have; det --> a[ a<br>DET<br/>number=SINGULAR]; det --> cat[ cat<br>NOUN<br/>number=SINGULAR]; dobj --> cat;
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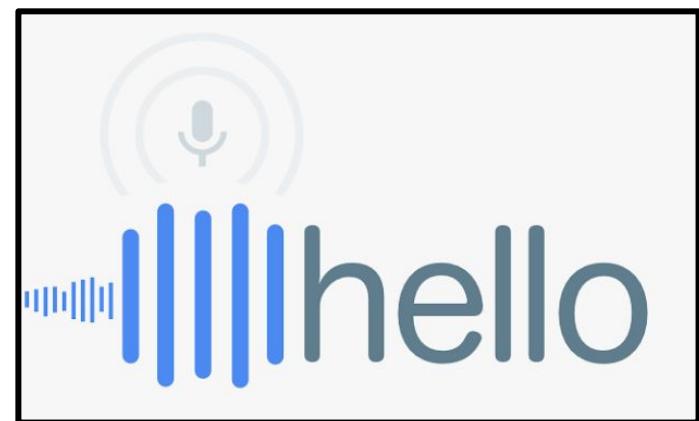
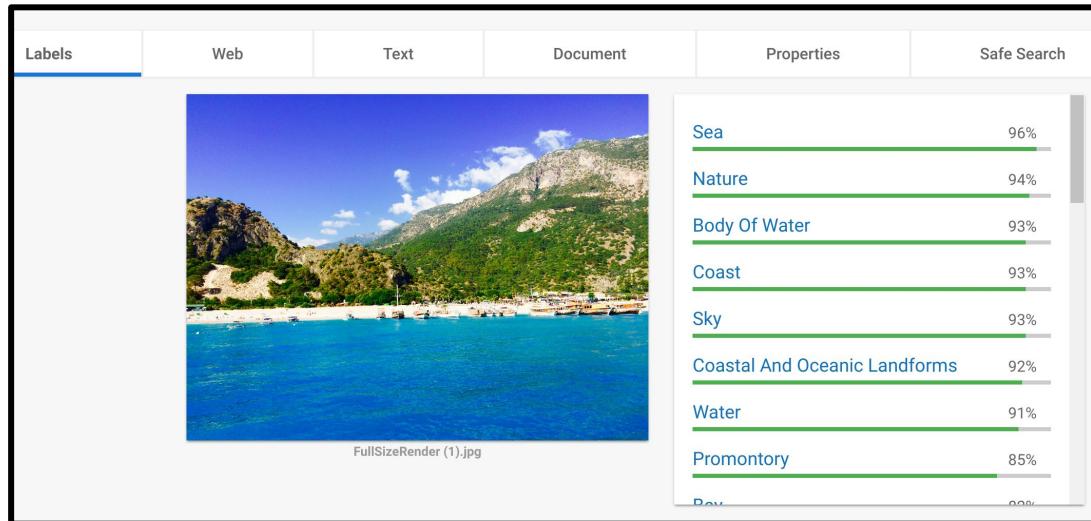
# Which CloudML APIs could each application use?

Application	Vision	Speech	Natural Language
			

# Designing a Machine Learning App



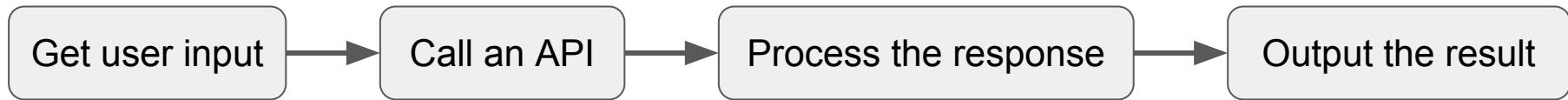
# What can we make?



# Brainstorming App Ideas

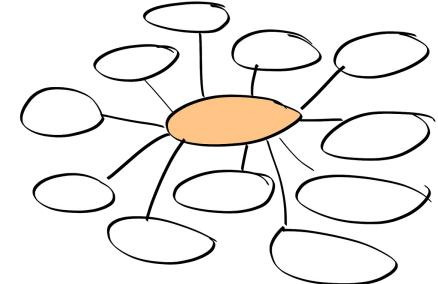
In small groups, brainstorm **simple** and **achievable** app ideas that you can build in 60 minutes.

The app should:



Examples:

- An app that detects whether a dog is in an image
- An app that counts the number of people in an image
- An app that detects whether a specific word is said in a sound recording





Spend 2 minutes agreeing as a group  
what your final idea will be.

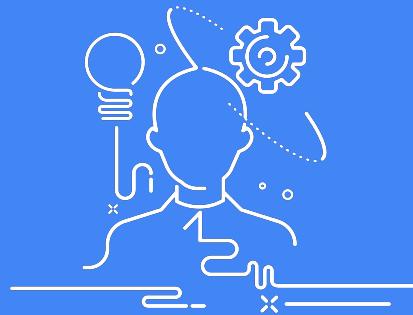
## Finalize Your App Idea



## Sharing Your App Ideas

Each group takes about 30 seconds to share their app idea.

# Build Our Apps



# Introduction to the Web App

Given an image passed as input, attempt to detect different types of features, such as:

- Labels
- Faces
- Text
- Logos
- Landmarks
- Web annotations
- Properties (such as dominant color in the image)

# Getting Started with the App

## Image Analysis

Image URL:

- Label Detection
- Face Detection
- Text Detection

- Landmark Detection
- Logo Detection
- Web Detection

**Go**

- 1) Add a web link to an image
- 2) Select labels you'd like to search for
- 3) Click "Go!" to see what was detected

# What labels would you give this image?



# Example Image Labeling: Nature Scene

## Image Analysis

Image URL: <https://static.pexels.com/photos/60006/spring-tree-flowers-meadow-60006.jpeg>

Label Detection  
 Face Detection  
 Text Detection

Landmark Detection  
 Logo Detection  
 Web Detection

[Go](#)

Label results detected: green, grass, flower, field, meadow, vegetation, ecosystem, spring, grassland, wildflower, sunlight, lawn, flora, leaf, morning, tree, plant, dandelion, daisy, landscape, grass family, computer wallpaper and moisture

See results here



# Another Example: Times Square, New York

## Image Analysis

Image URL: [https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/4/47/New\\_york\\_times\\_square-teraba](https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/4/47/New_york_times_square-teraba)

Label Detection     Landmark Detection  
 Face Detection     Logo Detection  
 Text Detection     Web Detection

**Go**

Label results detected:  
metropolitan area, city, urban area, landmark, metropolis, crowd, skyscraper, infrastructure, downtown, pedestrian, cityscape, street, daytime, night, building, advertising, tower block, town square, sky, recreation, tree, skyline, pedestrian crossing and evening

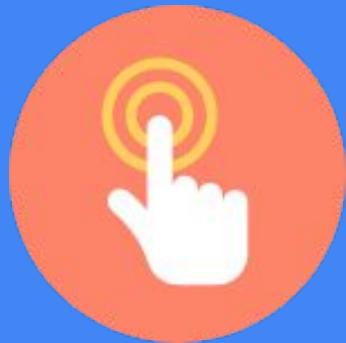
Landmark results detected:  
Times Square, Times Square and Musical theatre

Text results detected:  
Helped injured  
opponent win.  
SPORTSMANSHIP  
BE MUSICAL VAL  
MAXIMUM  
PERFORMANCE ES  
mer a axell

No results for face detection and logo detection



Results are further categorized by label type (e.g., "landmark")



# Try it Yourself

Test the app at:

<https://get-started-with-ml-apps.appspot.com/>

# Starter Code Structure

## Project

```
+-- app.yaml
+-- appengine_config.py
+-- back-end.py
+-- front-end/
|   +
|   +-- main.html
|   +-- main.css
|   +-- main.js
+-- lib/
```

Download a [.zip of the starter code.](#)

# Starter Code Structure - **app.yaml**

## Project

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+-- front-end/  
|  
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|   +-- main.css  
|   +-- main.js  
+-- lib/
```

The app's settings are configured here.

- App ID
- Version
- Handlers for each URL path

# Starter Code Structure - **appengine\_config.py**

## Project

```
+-- app.yaml  
+-- appengine_config.py  
+-- back-end.py  
+-- front-end/  
|  
|   +-- main.html  
|   +-- main.css  
|   +-- main.js  
+-- lib/
```

Python module configuration, allowing users to specify values for constants and “hook” some functions for use.

appengine\_config also imports useful libraries in lib/ (listed below).

# Starter Code Structure - **back-end.py**

## Project

```
+-- app.yaml  
+-- appengine_config.py  
+-- back-end.py  
+-- front-end/  
|  
|   +-- main.html  
|   +-- main.css  
|   +-- main.js  
+-- lib/
```

Logic and data-access layer of the app.

Calls to the Cloud Vision wrapper come from here, as do functions implementing result parsing and printing.

# Starter Code Structure - **front-end/**

## Project

```
+-- app.yaml  
+-- appengine_config.py  
+-- back-end.py  
+-- front-end/  
|  
|   +-- main.html  
|   +-- main.css  
|   +-- main.js  
+-- lib/
```

Presentation layer of the app.

The three files in this directory work together to construct the “front-end”:

1. HTML: content and structure of page
2. CSS: adds style
3. JS: gets elements, listens to actions

# Starter Code Structure - **lib/**

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Directory of libraries needed by our app  
(e.g. googleapiclient).

Import declaration is found in  
`appengine_config.py`

# The Cloud Vision Wrapper

Built with Google Cloud Endpoints, it provides an API you can use in your app to call functions implemented by the Cloud Vision API:

- `detect_faces`
- `detect_labels`
- `detect_landmarks`
- `detect_logos`
- `detect_text`
- `detect_properties`
- `detect_web`
- `detect_crop_hints`
- `detect_document`

These functions accept a link to an image on the Web.

# Calling a Function from the Cloud Vision Wrapper

The functions in the API can be called from your code as follows:

```
request_url = wrapper_url + '/' + function_req_map[feature]
              + '?imageURL=' + uri + '&key=' + api_key
request = urllib2.Request(request_url)
response = urllib2.urlopen(request).read()
```

- `wrapper_url` refers to the URL of the Cloud Vision Wrapper.
- `function_req_map[feature]` is the name of the specific API you want to call (e.g., `detectFaces`).
- `uri` is the URL of the image you want to classify.
- `api_key` is the API key.
- `urllib2.Request` constructs the request to the API.
- `urllib2.urlopen` captures the response returned by the API.

# Detect Functions in the Cloud Vision Wrapper

Each of the `detect` functions in the wrapper follows a similar pattern:

1. Check if the image at input url is null; if so, throw an exception.
2. Set up the Cloud Vision API client.
3. Read in provided input image.
4. Check for unsafe content in the image; if unsafe content is found, return without calling API detection functions.
5. Call the Cloud Vision API to detect labels using the client in step 2.
6. Extract labels from result object.
7. Return labels.

# Project Ideas

**Front-end:** Modify the user interface (look-and-feel) part of the app, e.g.:

- Change colors; move input field; change options' display; restyle results page
- Allow the user to upload multiple images at a time; return results in downloadable files (one for each photo)

**Back-end:** Modify calls to Vision wrapper, result parsing and printing, e.g.:

- Change the formatting of Cloud Vision wrapper results for printing
- Add recommendations to the user according to results. For example, if the user requests “Label Detection” and one of the labels is “city,” suggest they try “Landmark Detection” as well to get more specific labels.

Consult the [Web App Student Guide](#) for guidance while working on your project

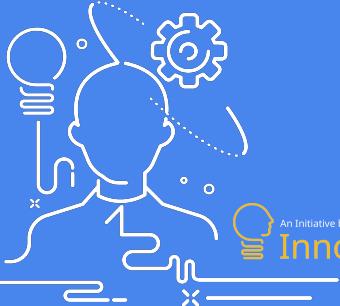
# Presenting our Apps

- What changes did you make to the app?
- What successes did you achieve?
- What challenges did you face?
- How did using an API simplify the process of building an image-recognition app?



# Getting Started with Machine Learning

## Session 1: Understanding Machine Learning

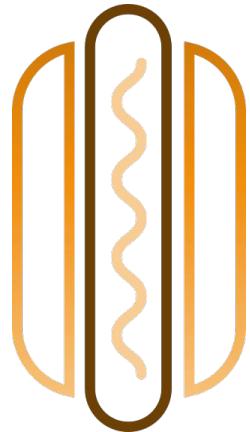


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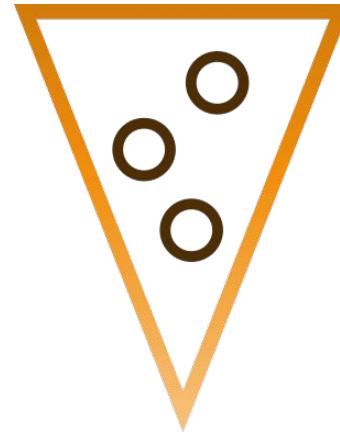
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# Learning Objective

By the end of the session, you will have run a machine learning experiment to classify foods as **pizza** or **not pizza**



Not-Pizza



Pizza

# Pair Work: Run an ML Experiment

1. Find a partner
2. Go to <https://sliceofml.withgoogle.com/>
3. Click "Let's do this"

# Pair Work: Set an Accuracy Goal

The screenshot shows a user interface for a machine learning tutorial. At the top, a black header bar contains the text "Machine Learning" on the left and "STEP 1: SET YOUR GOAL" on the right, along with small icons for navigation and help. Below the header, the main content area has a white background. On the left, the text "Set Your Accuracy Goal." is displayed in large, bold, blue font. To the right of this text is a dark gray callout box titled "Hint" in yellow. The box contains the text "Not sure what to do? Check here for tips and hints to help you along the way." In the center of the page is a horizontal progress bar consisting of a blue line with a circular slider. A blue arrow points upwards from a blue rectangular button containing the text "80%". At the bottom left, there is a yellow button with the text "SPLIT YOUR DATA" followed by a right-pointing arrow. The bottom right corner of the page features the word "Google" in its signature font.

Machine Learning

STEP 1: SET YOUR GOAL

Hint

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Set Your Accuracy Goal.

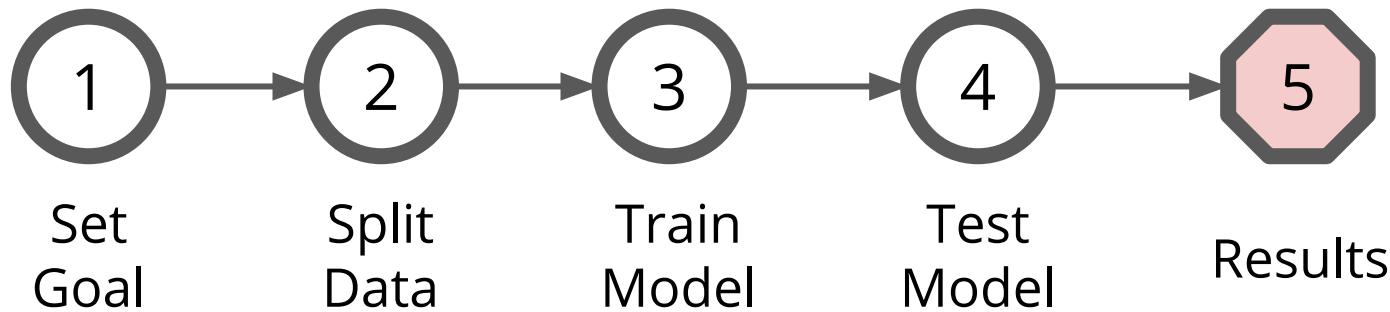
In machine learning, accuracy is the fraction of a classification model's predictions that are correct. Please set the accuracy goal you want your pizza classification model to achieve; keep in mind that no model is perfect!

80%

SPLIT YOUR DATA →

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# Pair Work: Run an ML Experiment



# Debrief



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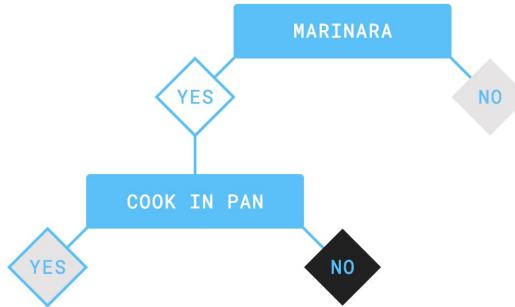
# Debrief: Our First Experiment

- Why divide data into training and testing sets? What's the goal of each?



# Debrief: Our First Experiment

- How does the decision tree work?

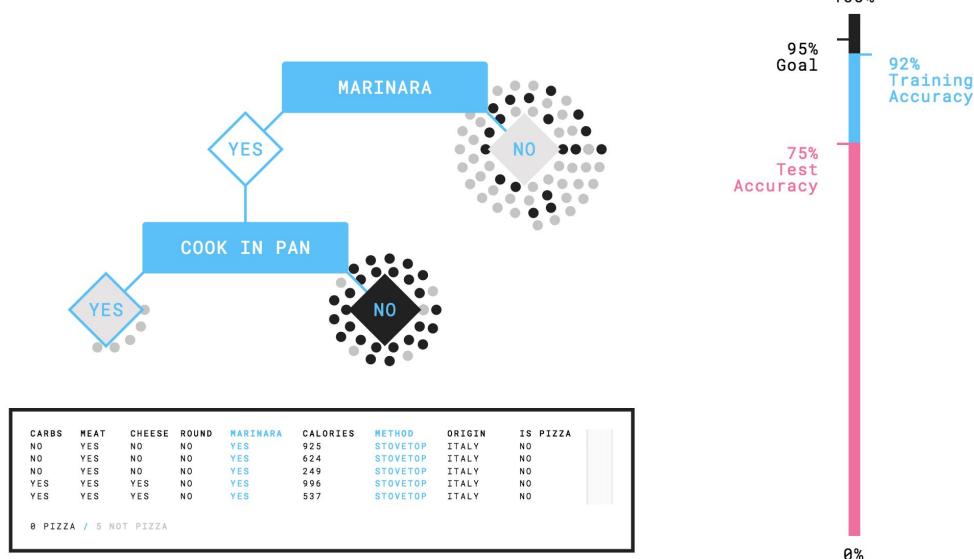


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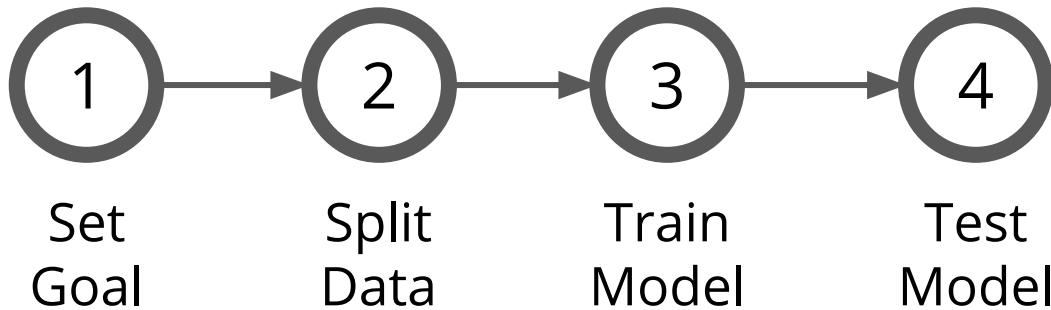
8 PIZZA / 28 NOT PIZZA

# Debrief: Our First Experiment

- Why might we have gotten different accuracy results on the training and testing data?

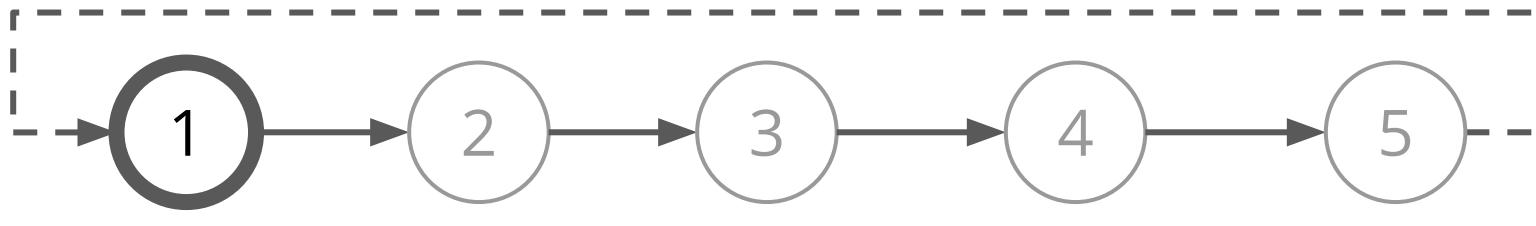


# Debrief: Our First Experiment



How might you refine the experiment to get your model's training and testing accuracy to be 90% or more?

# Run More Experiments



Set  
Goal

Split  
Data

Train  
Model

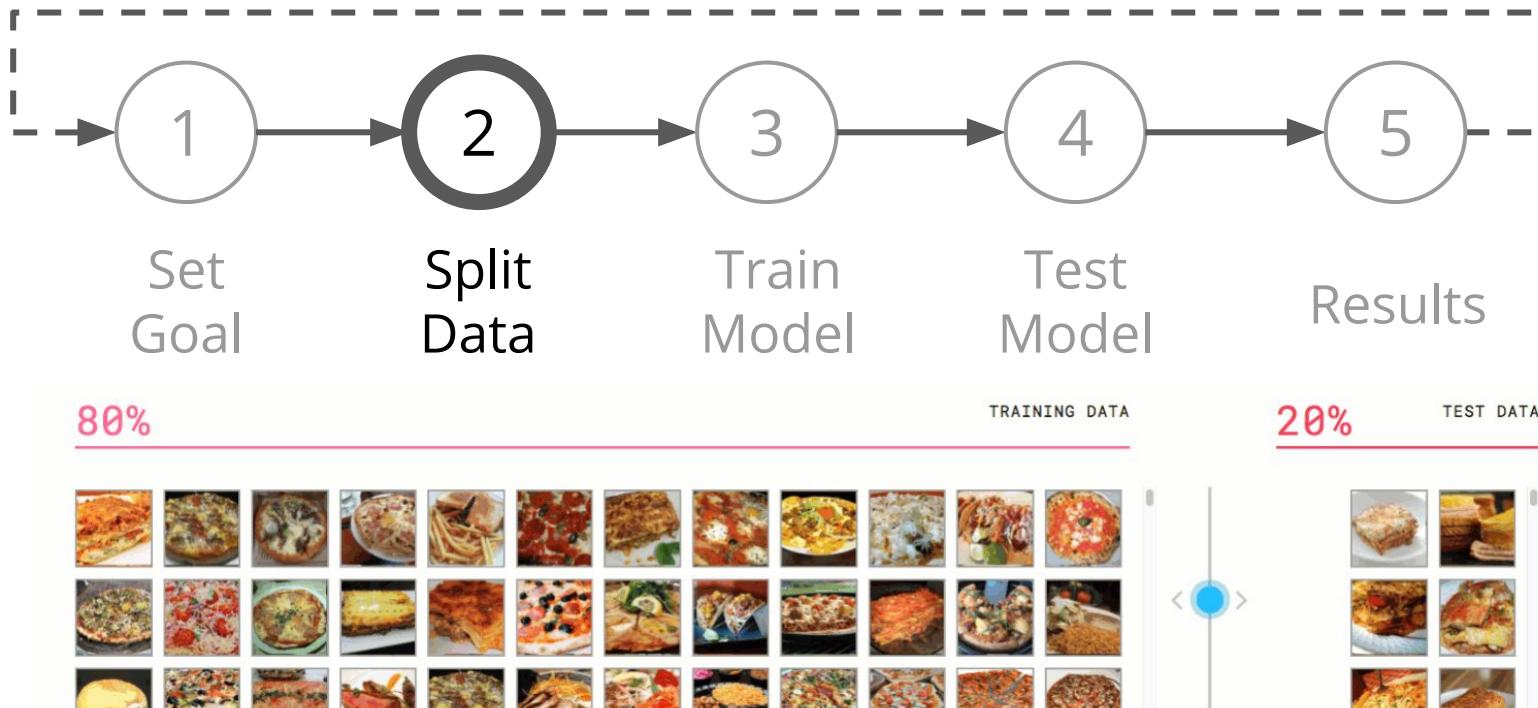
Test  
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Results

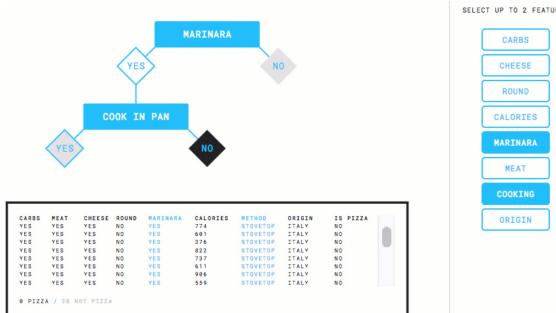
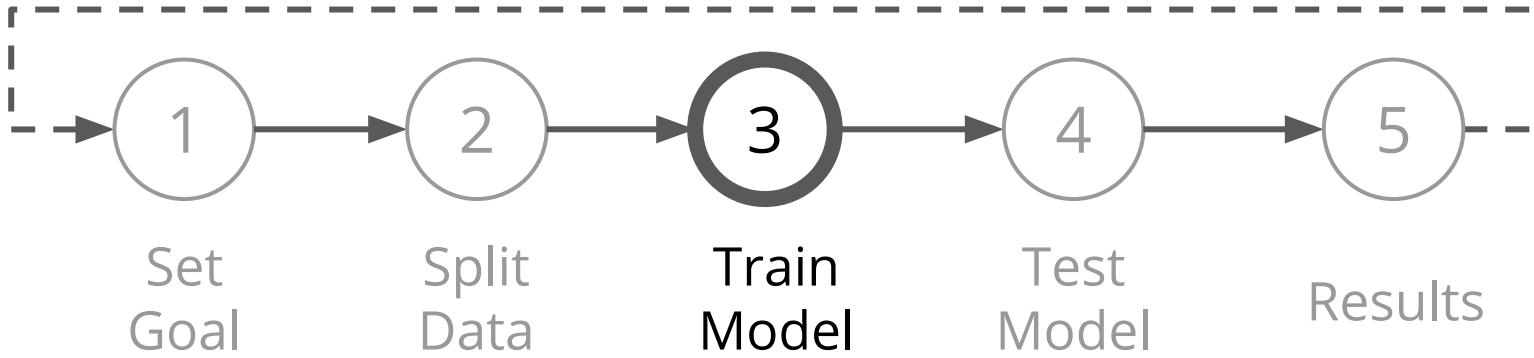
50%

A coin toss is right half  
of the time.

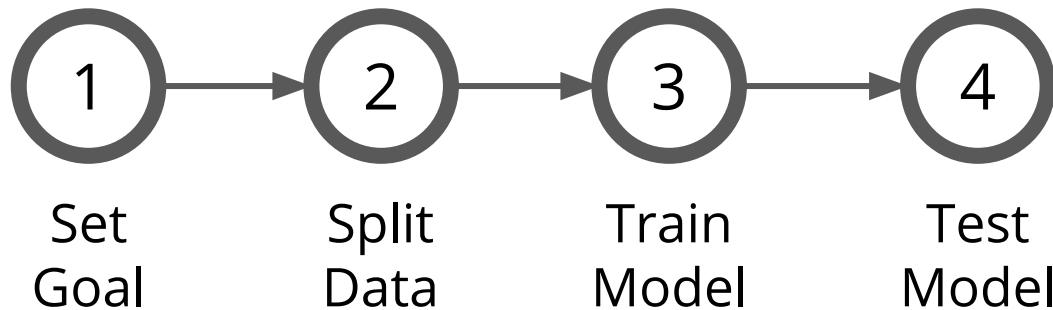
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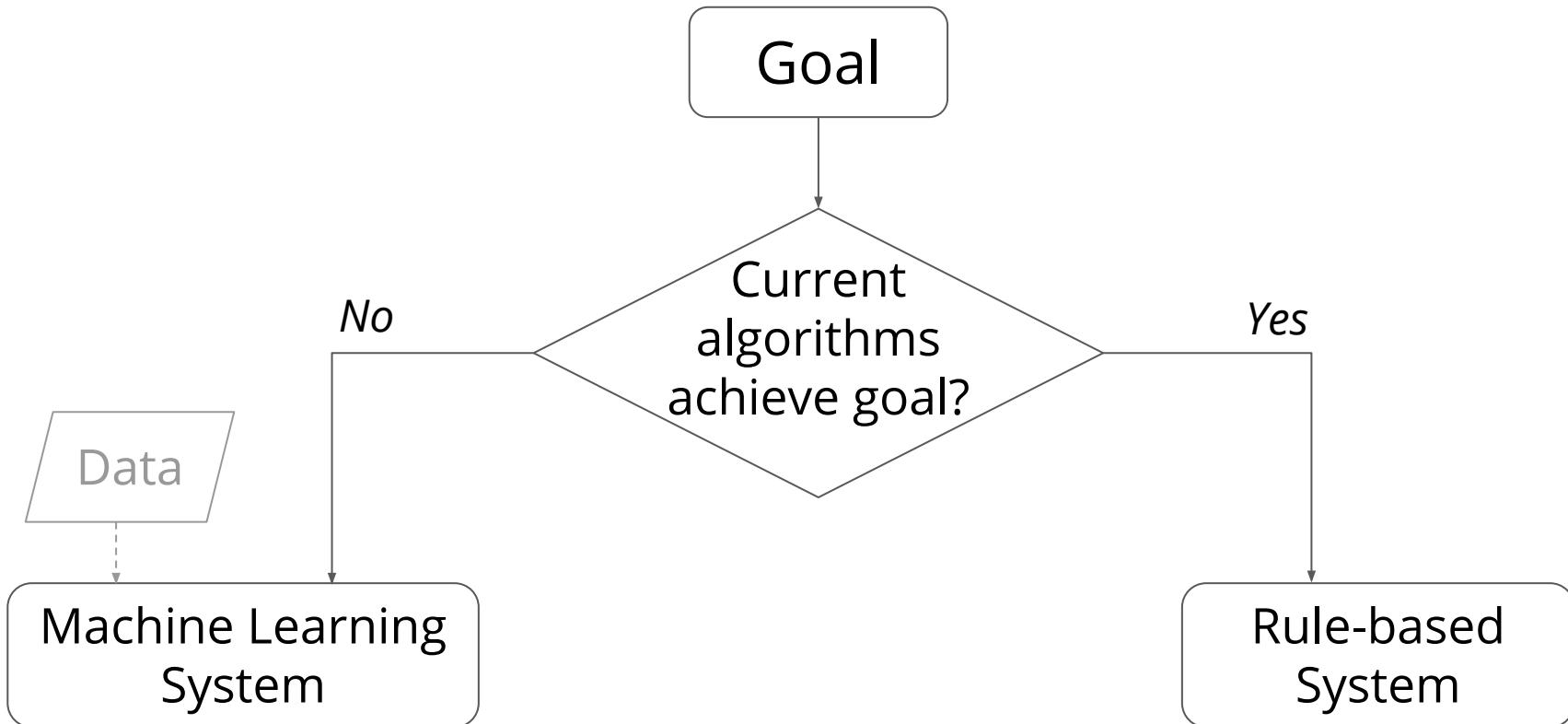


# Run More Experiments



How might you refine the experiment to get your model's training and testing accuracy to be 90% or more?

# Debrief



# Debrief

- Training Data
- Test Data



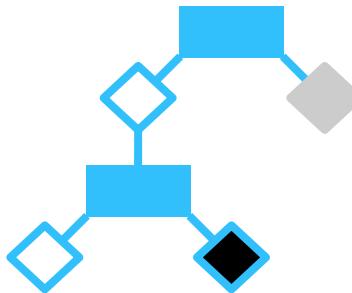
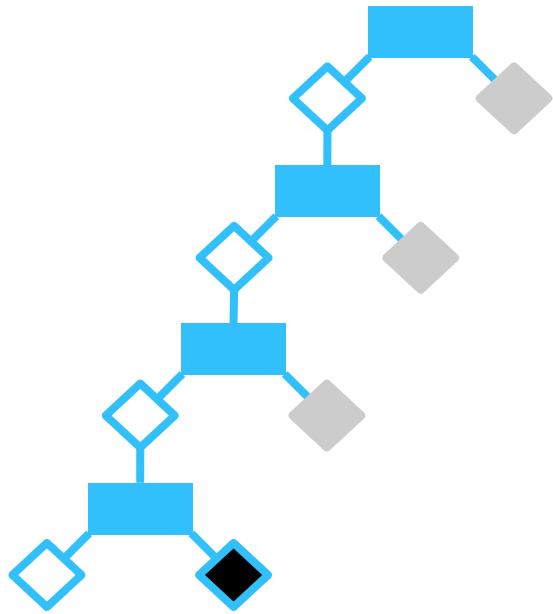
Risk of overfitting

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Poor quality model

# Debrief



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