

CS 3600 B

Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11am - 12:15pm

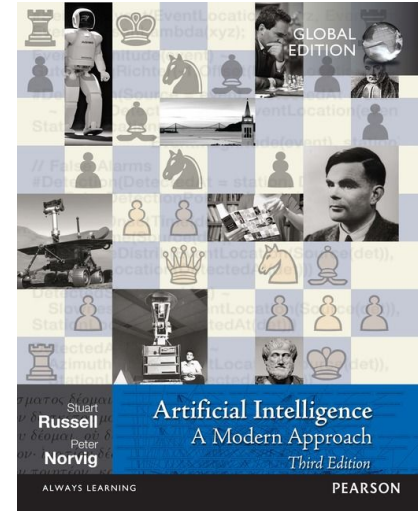
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Office hour: 10am - 11am, Thursdays

Logistics

- Lecture
 - Tue, Th 11:00am-12:15pm
- Reading
- Programming assignments
 - 4 assignments, 15% of grades



- Project Wrappers
 - 4 short written assignments, 10% of grades
- Exams (2)
 - Take-home written exams, 15% of grades each
- Practice exercises
 - Not graded, but recommended to do

Collaboration Policy

- Assignments turned in individually
- Collaboration is **not allowed**
- Plagiarism detection will be used
- Recommended: github.gatech.edu
 - Private repo

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# George Burdell helped me figure out how to terminate my loop  
#   in main_loop_function() correctly.  
# I based my tree traversal on stack overflow http://stackoverflow/xyz
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Late policy

- Assignments are late 1 minute after the due date
- 4 free late days
 - After late days are used up: $\text{grade} = \text{grade} - (0.2 * \text{max})$
- Medical and other excused absences do not count toward late days

ChatGPT Policy

- Don't
- But if you do:
 - Never hit "copy"
 - Never have ChatGPT and your assignment open at the same time
- For exams and wrappers:
 - 50% of all ChatGPT responses contain an error
 - We know what ChatGPT answers look like
- This pertains to all other large language models including but not limited to: GPT-4(o), Claude, Bing Chat, Gemini

Prerequisites

- Data structures (CS 1332)
 - Linked lists, tree traversals, etc.
- Computational complexity
 - Big-O, NP (nondeterministic polynomial) problems, etc.
- Coding
 - Mainly in Python3
- Statistics

Preliminaries

- Computing Science: Study of what is computable or not, & how to compute it
- Artificial Intelligence: Study of how to replicate intelligence with computing
- What is Artificial Intelligence?
 - The capacity of a machine or a computer system to perform functions that would typically require human intelligence.
 - Learning, reasoning, perception, adaptation, ...

This class

- Broad survey of a broad field
- Focus on stuff that is used in the real world
- Get our hands dirty
- Include some gentle intro to ML
- Broad synthesis

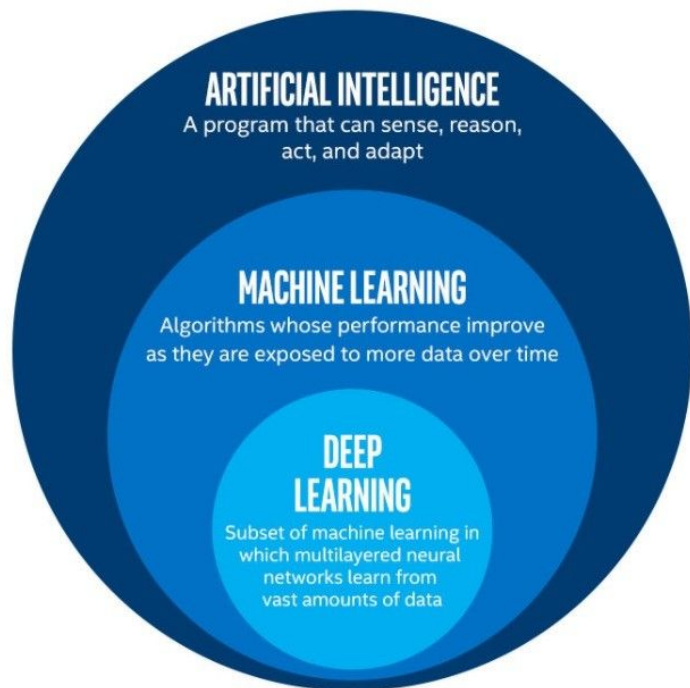
Types of AI

- Broad AI
 - Strong AI
 - Does every (non-physical) things humans can do
- Narrow AI
 - Weak AI
 - Handles only specific tasks
 - Driving a car
 - Correcting grammar
 - Answering domain-specific questions

Types of AI (cont'd)

- Human level AI:
 - Doing things that humans can do with comparable performance as average humans
- Super-human AI:
 - Doing things at expert level or better

Relationship to Machine Learning

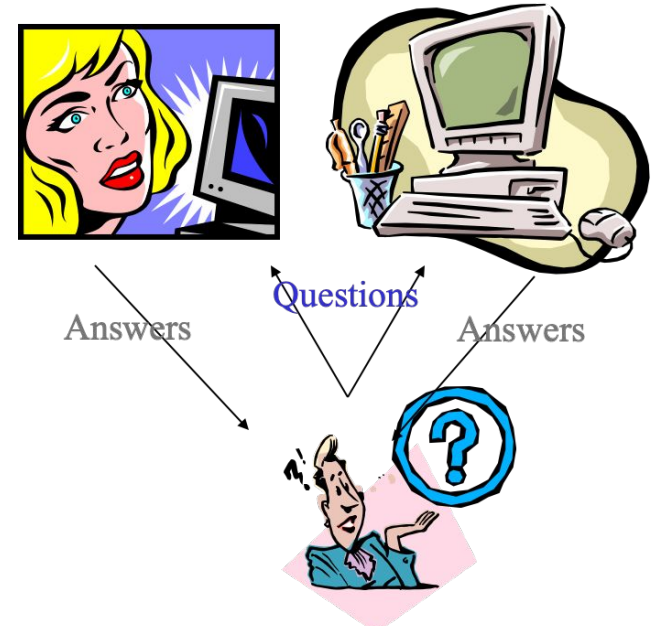


Will this class cover ChatGPT?

- No, since
 - The ChatGPT family is a collection of text or text-image DL models while this course focuses on more generic algorithms (breadth > depth)
 - ChatGPT models are closed-source, not good for practice
- But
 - We will explore reinforcement learning algorithms - ChatGPT models rely on such training
 - Our exercises involve text-based models

Turing Test

- 1950 – Alan Turing devised a test for intelligence called the Imitation Game
 - Ask questions of two entities, receive answers from both
 - If you can't tell which of the entities is human and which is a computer program, then you are fooled and we should therefore consider the computer to be intelligent



Which is the person?
Which is the computer?

Is Turing test obsolete?

- GPT models are already able to generate human-like language, despite special word preferences
 - Models know models better - GPTZero, etc.
- Even current models struggle with reasoning
 - Reasoning-specific Turing test

History of AI

- Automaton
- The Writer 1200s



1950s

- 1950 – Turing “computing machinery and intelligence”
- 1956 – Dartmouth Conference
 - Establishment of AI as a research field

Early vision (pre 1960s)

- Model the human and everything they do
 - Language
 - Motor planning
 - Vision
 - Prediction
 - Learning
 - Art
 - Humor
 - Emotions
 - Etc.
- Artificial neural network invented

Early successes (late 1950s – mid 1960s)

- GPS
- Eliza
- Logic, symbolic reasoning
- Theorem provers
- Checkers and Chess
- Why?
 - Well-defined games with strict rules

Expert systems (1970s – 1980s)

- Expert systems (rule-based systems)
 - Decision trees
 - For very specific tasks, e.g., medical diagnosis
- Brittleness

AI Winter (1987 – 1993)

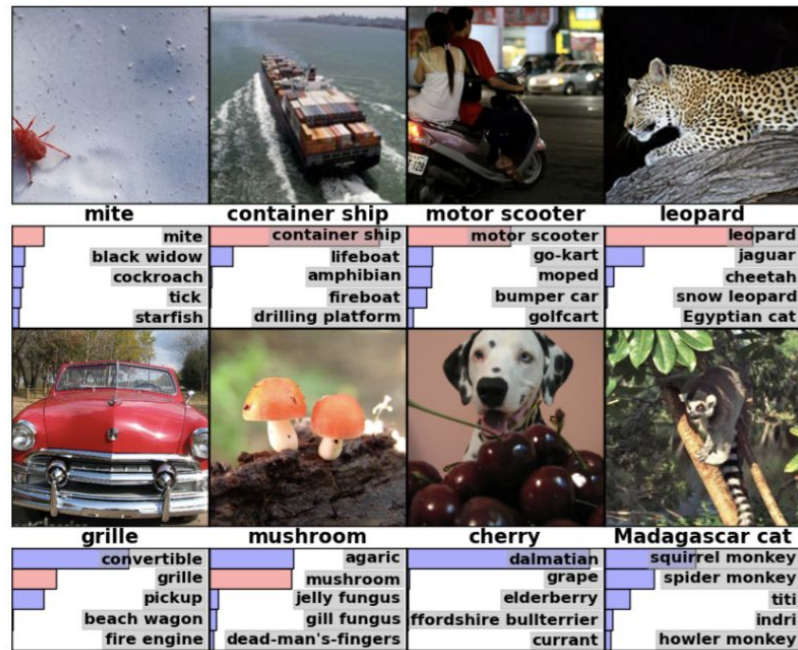
- Funding dries up leading to the AI Winter
 - Too many expectations were not met
 - Expert systems took too long to develop, too much money to invest, the results did not pay off
- Neural Networks to the rescue!
 - Expert systems took programming, and took dozens of man-years of efforts to develop, but if we could get the computer to learn how to solve the problem...
 - Multi-layered back-propagation networks got around the problems of perceptrons
 - Neural network research heavily funded because it promised to solve the problems that symbolic AI could not
- By 1990, funding for neural network research was slowly disappearing as well
 - Neural networks had their own problems and largely could not solve a majority of the AI problems being investigated
 - Panic! How can AI continue without funding?

Machine learning revolution (1990s – now)

- Address brittleness with learning
- Learn the rules
 - “Reverse-engineer” the rules based on data
- Statistical systems
 - Introduction of uncertainty

Deep learning revolution (2014 — now)

- Neural networks return
- ImageNet Challenge
 - 2011: 75% accuracy
 - 2012: 85% accuracy w/neural nets
 - 2019: > 98% accuracy



2017: Large language models

- Language model:
 - A function that computes the probability of a word given a sequence of previous words
 - Certain words co-occur with other words
 - Neural networks can be trained to guess the next word

2017: Large language models

- The Transformer neural architecture
- A particular deep neural network that is especially good at learning to emulate language
- Large Language Model
- GPT-3:
 - 175 billion parameters
 - Trained on hundreds of billion words
 - Estimated to have cost \$4.6 million to train