# Deep Explanation

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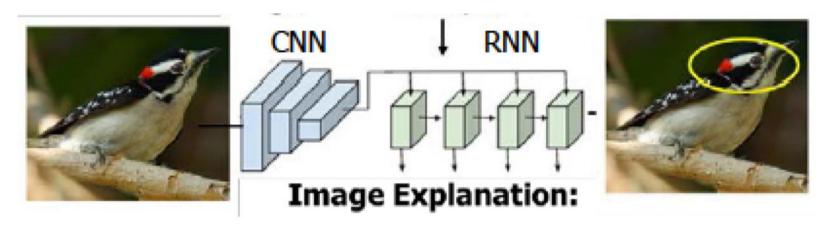
## **Topics in Deep Explanation**

- 1. Embedding Deep Nets in Visual Explanation
- 2. Visual Saliency
- 3. Bayesian Deep Learning
- 4. Criticisms of Ante-hoc Al

## Deep Explanation

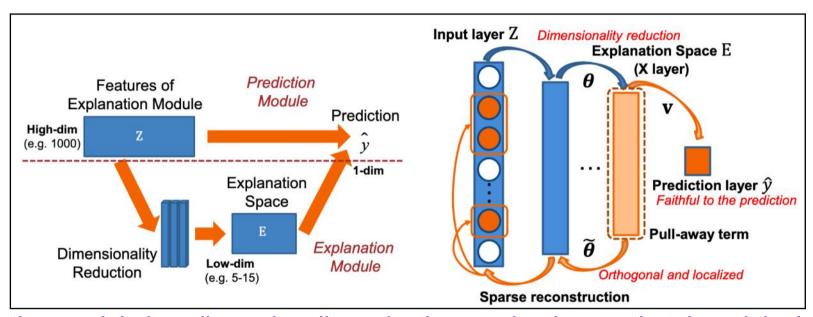
#### **Downy Woodpecker definition:**

This bird has a white breast, black wings and a red spot on its head



This is a Downy Woodpecker because it is a black and white bird with a red spot in its crown

# Embedding Deep Networks into Visual Explanations



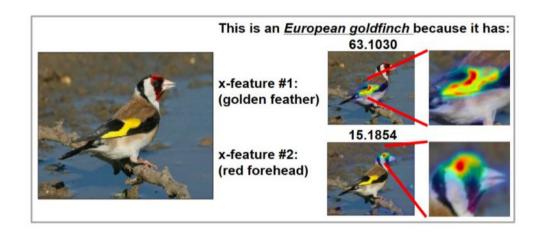
Explanation module is a dimensionality reduction mechanism so that the original deep learning prediction can be reproduced from this low-dimensional space. It can be attached to any layer in the prediction deep network (DNN)

The DNN output can be faithfully recovered from this low-dimensional explanation space

Sparse Reconstruction Autoencoder is used a explanation module

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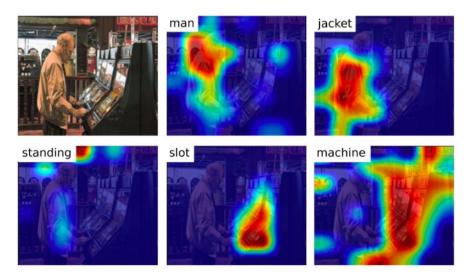
People prefer explanations of the form 'A" is something because of B,C and D This is a bird because it has feathers, wings and a beak It is concise— here are not a hundred reasons It relies on B,C,D which are also high level concepts



Approach generates visualizations for humans to deduce those features Without requiring textual annotation

## **Explaining Images**

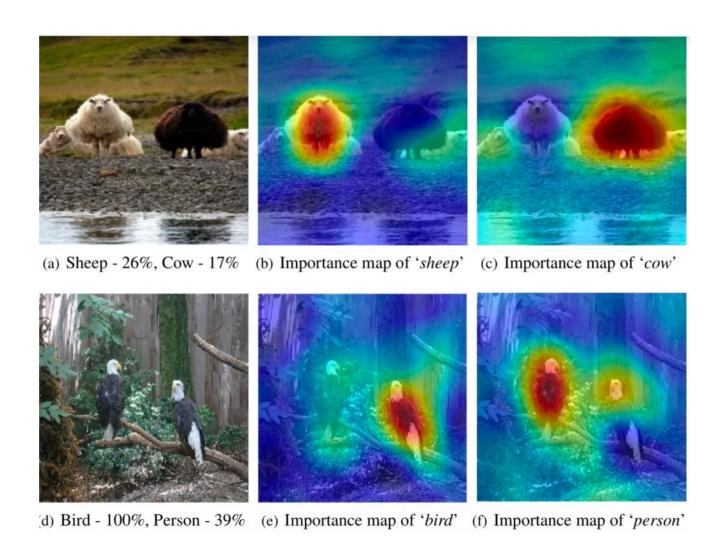
- Deep image captioning systems
  - learn to translate visual input into language
    - potential map between visual concepts and words
  - Despite good captioning performance, they are hard to understand "black boxes."
- Solution: Caption guided visual saliency
  - Top-down neural saliency map



- Input:
- A man in a jacket is standing at the slot machine

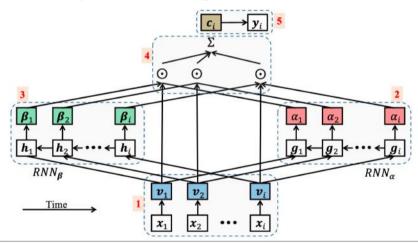
## Saliency Maps Produced by RISE

https://bdtechtalks.com/2018/10/15/kate-saenko-explainable-ai-deep-learning-rise/?fbclid=lwAR1RrH-BrLqRnXMiqcvAv3MtXQ6AcBAdufvWPROncF2rzPsIOfoU5SD-2bM



## An ante-hoc system: RETAIN

- Reverse time Attention Model
  - Mimics physician: using EHR in reverse time order
  - Calculates contribution of the variables (medical codes) to diagnostic prediction using RNNs



Source: Choi, etal, NIPS 2016

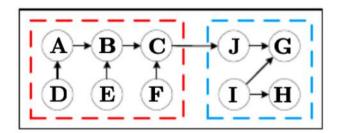
#### **Attention in Machine Translation**

Given sentence of length S in the source, generate  $h_1,...,h_S$ , to represent input words. To find  $j^{th}$  target word, generate attention  $\alpha_i$  for i=1,...,S for each word in source sentence.

Compute context  $c_j = \Sigma_i \ \mathbf{\alpha}_i^j \ h_i$  and use it to predict  $j^{\text{th}}$  target word i Attention allows model to focus on specific words in given sentence when generating each word in the target

## Ante-hoc: Bayesian Deep Learning (BDL)

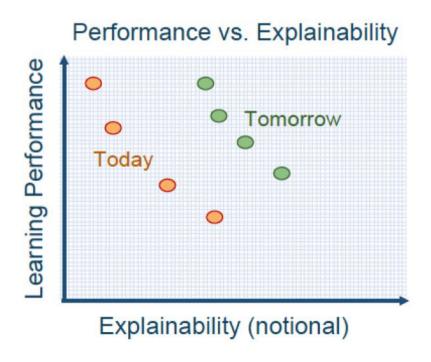
- Tightly integrating deep learning with a PGM
- Medical diagnosis example
  - After seeing visible symptoms (images) infer etiology (causation) from all symptoms
  - Reasoning is beyond deep learning models
  - PGMs are poor at perceptual tasks (but readily generate explanations)



Red rectangle is perception component Blue rectangle is task-specific component J is the hinge variable

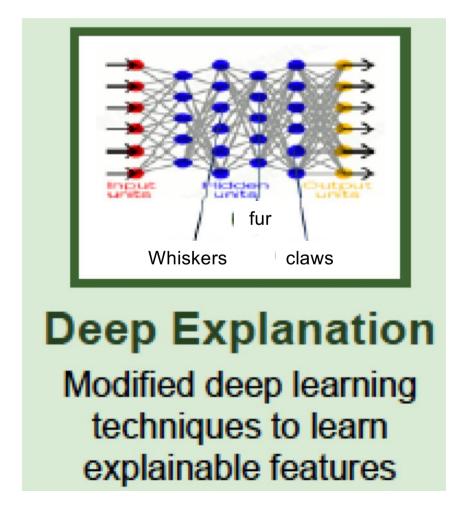
## Criticisms of Ante-hoc XAI

- 1. A complicated blackbox does not necessarily have the best performance
  - Deep neural nets and logistic regression have same performance with principled feature selection



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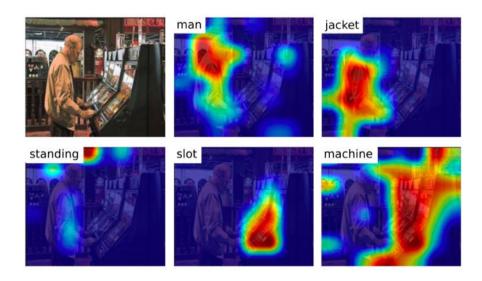
- 2. XAI unfaithful to original model
  - If XAI agrees with model 90%, it is wrong 10%
    - Thus the original model is not trustable



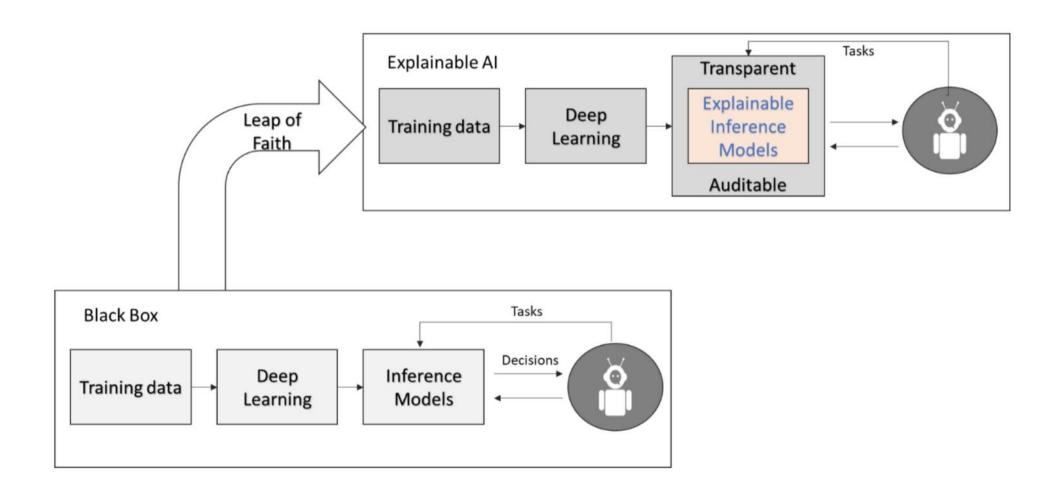
## Issues in XAI

## 3. Explanations may be incomplete

Saliency may does not say how it is being used



# Ante-hoc XAI is a leap of faith



Source: https://www.hcltech.com/blogs/explainable-artificial-intelligence-inflection-point-ai-journey

## Explainability: human introspection

- If an algorithm could self-explain it would be like asking a human to introspect
- They would simply make up a story
- Emotive vs Non-emotive content
  - With emotive content
    - Q: Why did you throw the plate?
    - A: Because of childhood trauma (from limbic system below consciousness)
  - Non-emotive question
    - Q: Why did you classify as a dog
    - A: It has 4 legs, tail, cylindrical body, all arranged spatially