

# **Visionary Course – Energy AI**

## **Week 09**

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# Introduction to Autonomous Driving

# What You Will Learn...

## **1. Overview of Autonomous Driving**

- Key components for self-driving
- Challenges and limitations

## **2. Overview of Computer Vision**

- Basics of computer vision
- Visual perception tasks

## **3. Playing with Edge AI device**

- Getting used to Linux system
- AI programming on NVIDIA Jetson
- Experiencing computer vision tasks

# **What is Autonomous Driving?**

**Driving without human intervention**

**Requirement: human intelligence**

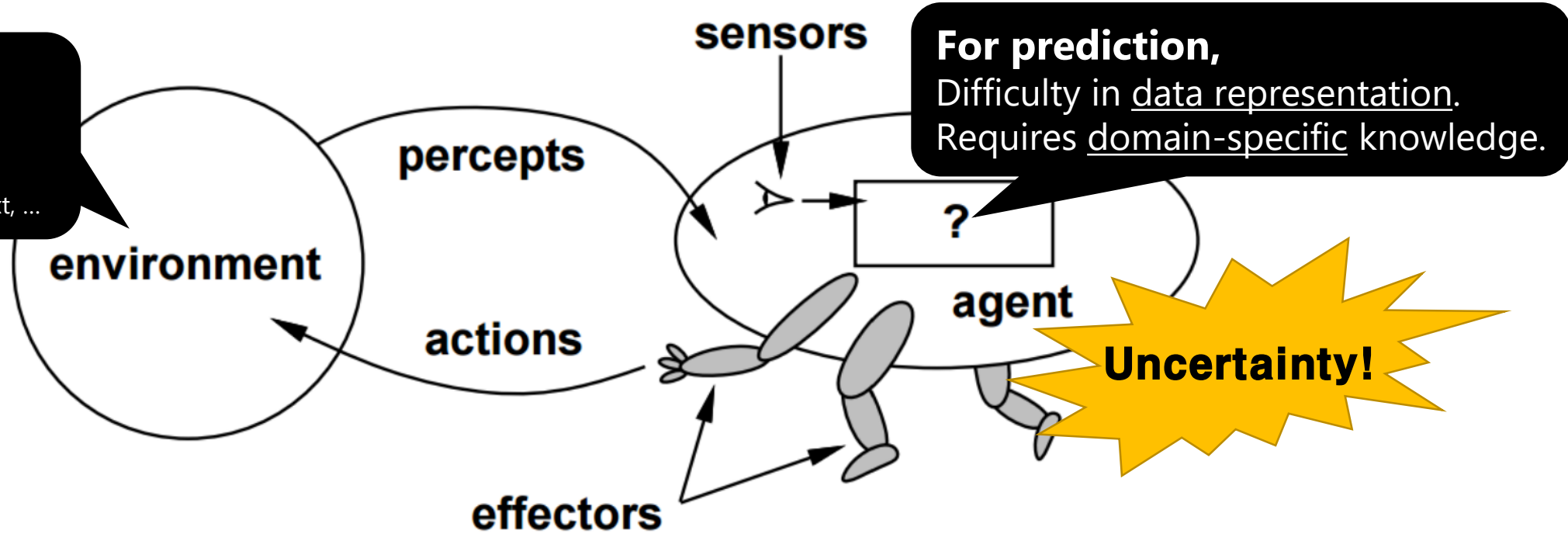
**How to make it possible?**

**Can artificial intelligence (AI) achieve this?**

**What is AI?      Should it be similar to human intelligence..?**

# Review: AI as a System

**In real world,**  
Super high  
dimensional data!  
e.g., image, video, sound, text, ...



## Special-purpose AI:

Can it achieve a well-defined finite set of goals?

## General-purpose AI:

Can it achieve poorly-defined unconstrained set of goals?

**Uncertainty ↓**

**More uncertainty ↑**

**Q. Can we get closer to the general-purpose AI through bunches of special purposes?**

# AI for Different Levels of Tasks



## Formal tasks:

Playing board games, solving puzzles, mathematical problems

## Expert tasks:

Medical diagnosis, engineering, teaching, programming

## Mundane tasks:

Everyday conversation, walking, perception, dreaming in a sleep



# How Difficult is Driving?

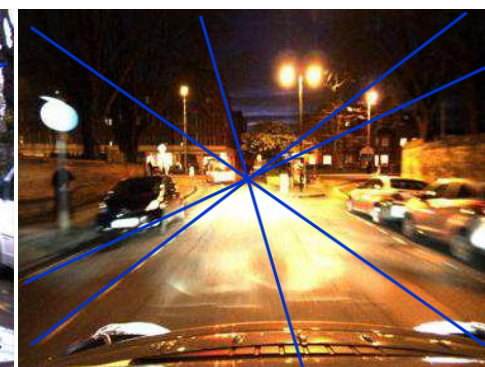
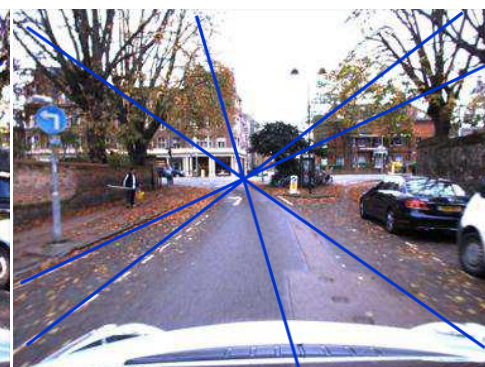
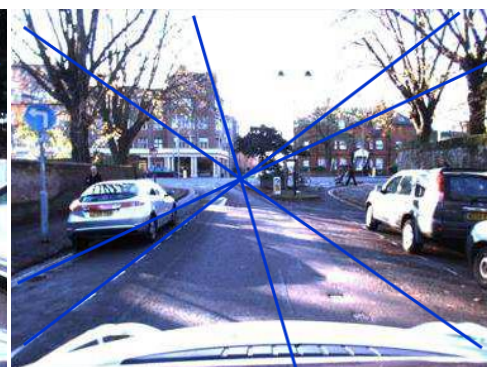
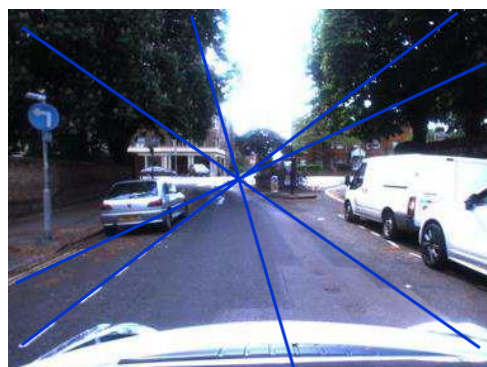
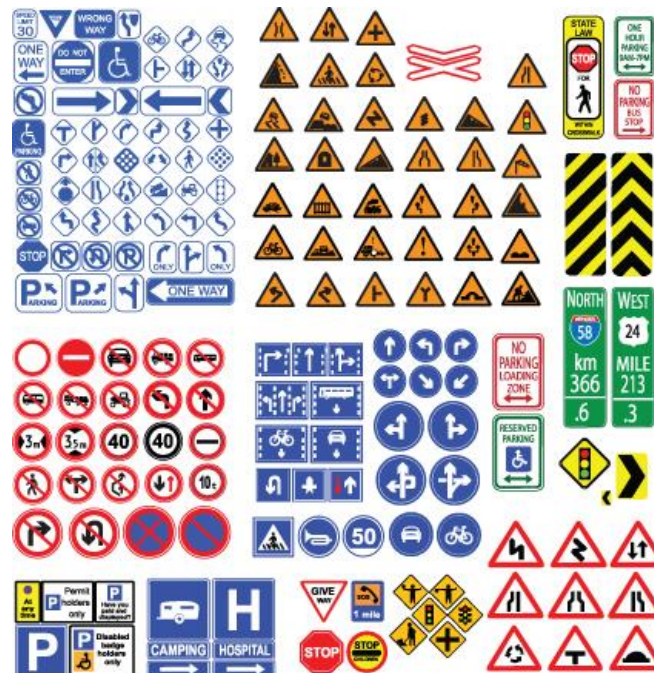
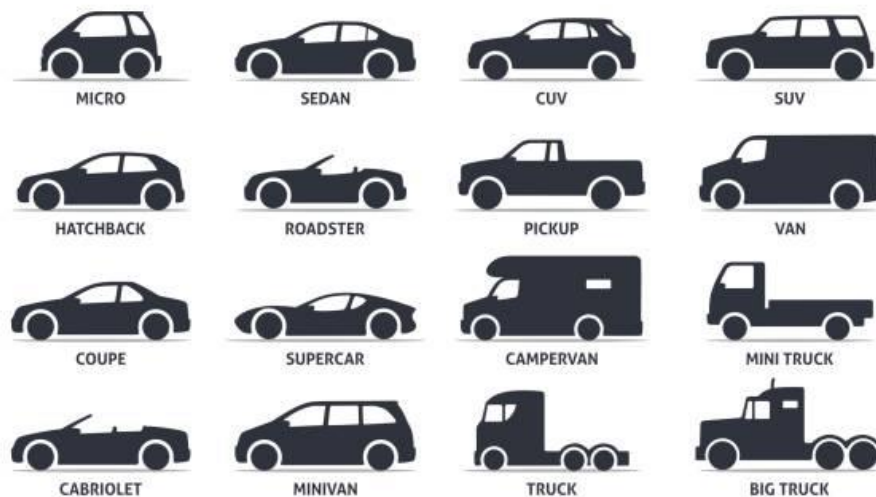
Is driving closer to **chess** or **everyday conversation**?





# Why is Driving Difficult?

## Different types of objects



Same place, but  
**different weathers**  
(from RobotCar dataset [1])



# Why is Driving Difficult? (ICCV'17)



-  Vanishing area
-  Solid white
-  Dashed white
-  Solid yellow
-  Dashed yellow
-  Crosswalk
-  Safety zone
-  Lane heat map
-  Arrow or Stop line

# Why is Driving Difficult?





# Three Pillars of Autonomous Driving



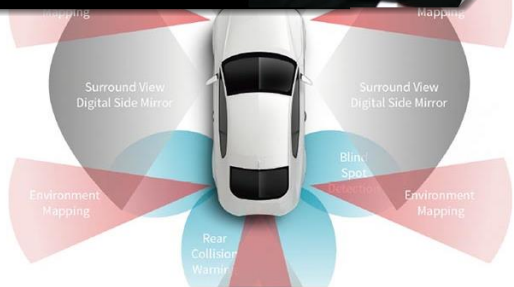
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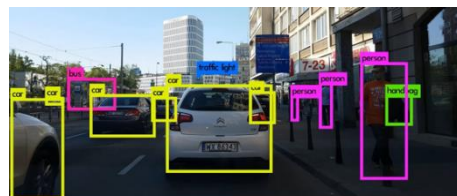
Perceiving



Control



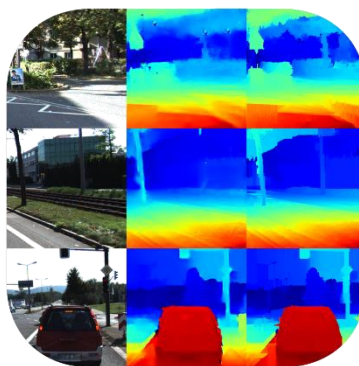
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LiDAR, GPS, ultrasonic,  
stereo cam, surround-



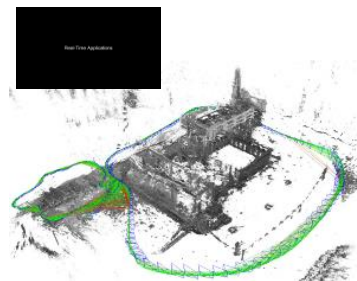
Object  
detection &  
recognition



Segmentation



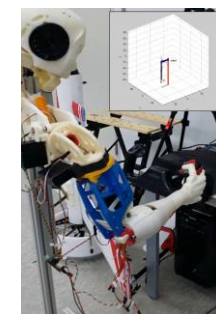
Depth



Localization  
and mapping



Motion/path planning,  
reinforcement learning,  
adaptive control, ...



# Understanding Robotic Perception



# DARPA Grand Challenge II (2006)



[Stanford wins](#)

# DARPA Urban Challenge (2007)



CMU wins

# DARPA Robotics Challenge (2015)

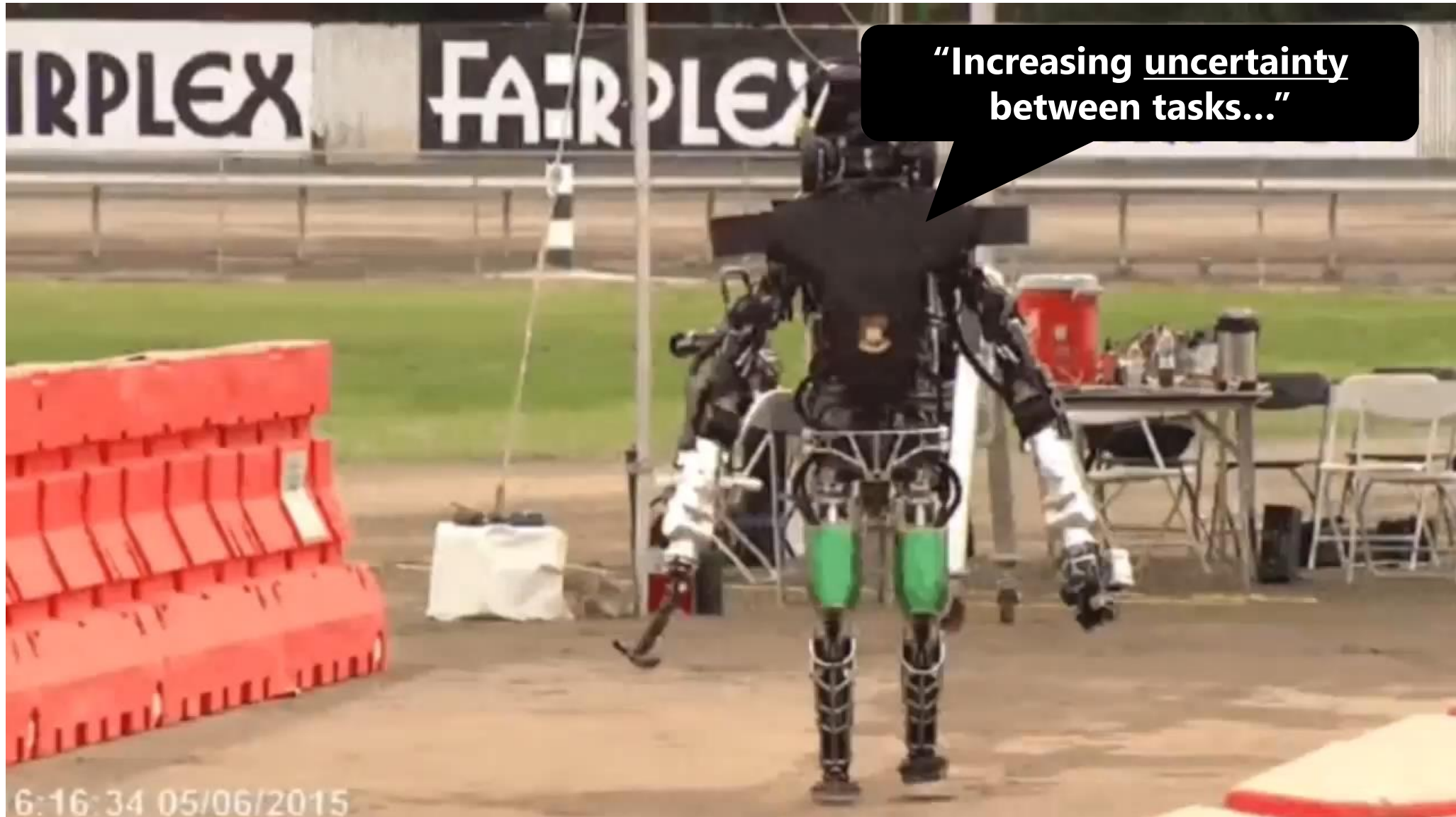
**KAIST wins**





# DARPA Robotics Challenge (2015)

[Fails compilation](#)





# NASA Sample Return Robot Challenge (2016)

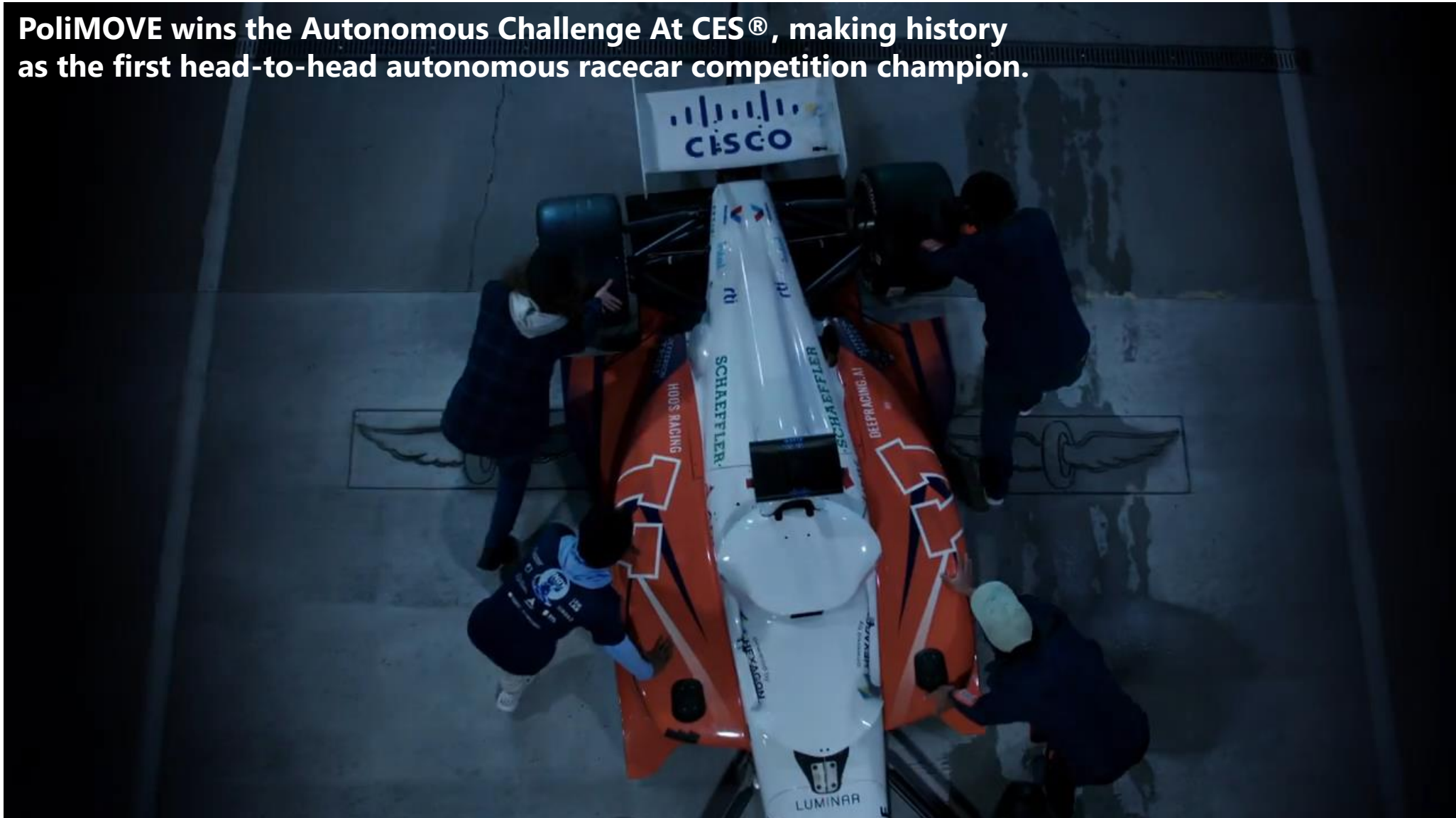
WVU wins



# Indy Autonomous Challenge @ CES (2022)

[Link](#)

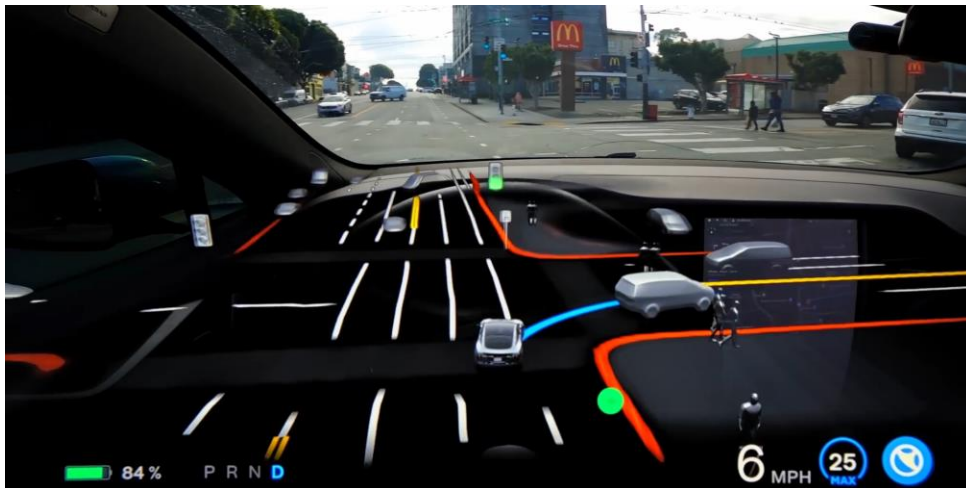
**PoliMOVE wins the Autonomous Challenge At CES®, making history as the first head-to-head autonomous racecar competition champion.**



# Industry Takes on the Challenge



**Waymo's self-driving taxis**  
(Dec. 2021)



**Tesla's full self-driving beta**  
(Jan. 2022)

"Accelerated by the recent breakthroughs in **deep learning**"



# Q&A

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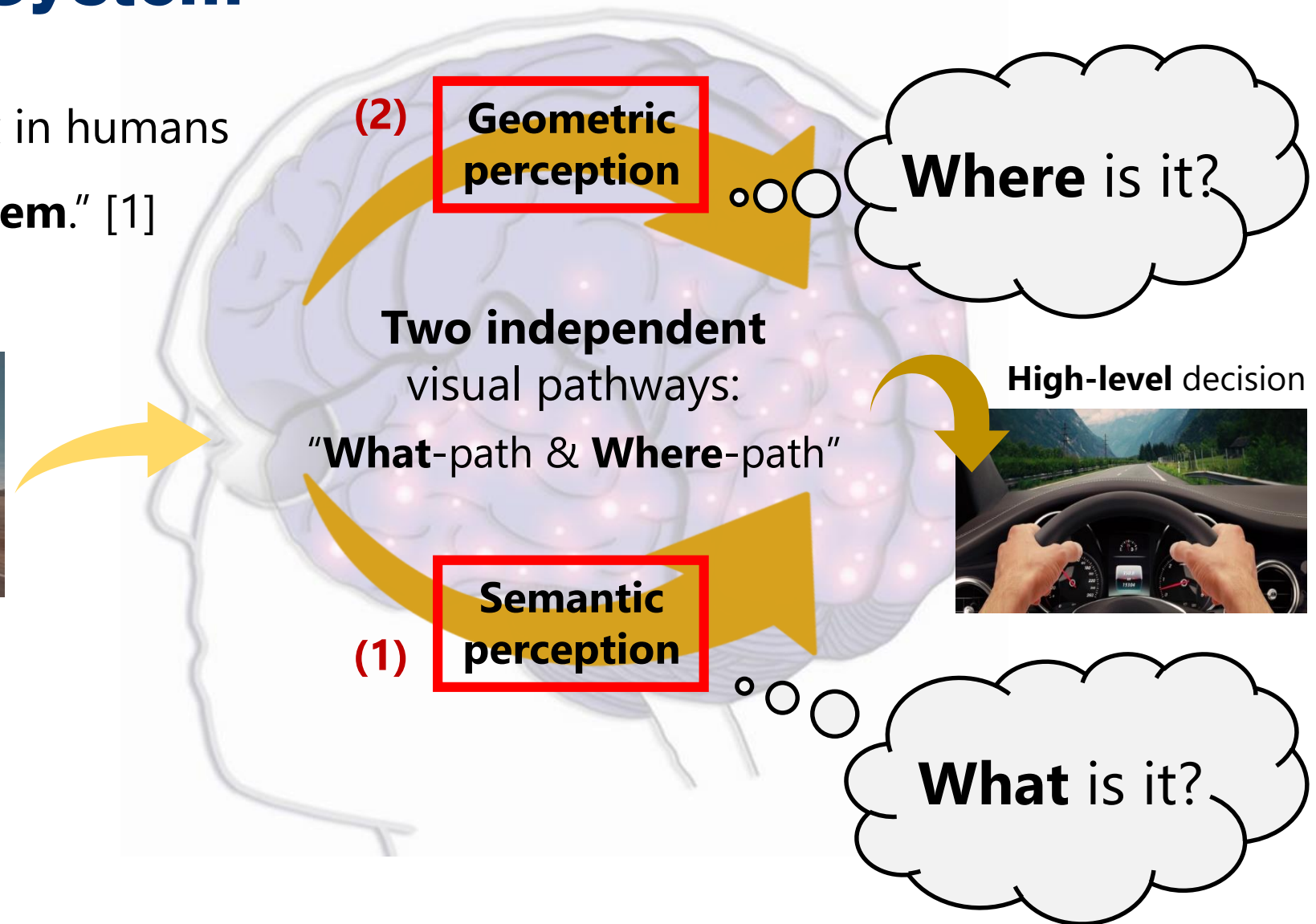
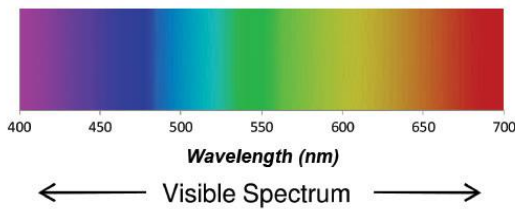
# Computer Vision: Visual Perception

# Human Visual System

"About **half** of neocortex in humans is devoted to **vision system**." [1]



**Low-level** visual signal



[1] Barton, Robert A. "Visual specialization and brain evolution in primates." *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London* (1998).

[2] M. A. Goodale, et al., "Separate visual pathways for perception and action." *Trends in Neurosciences* (1992).

# Visual Perception: Semantics & Geometry

## “Semantic” perception

: *Meaning* of an element, *syntax*, *context* of scene, or *relationship* between objects.

### Semantic computer vision tasks

- Image classification
- Object detection
- Semantic segmentation
- ...

### Video understanding

ex) Video classification

## “Geometric” perception

: *Distance*, *shape*, *structure*, *size*, *scale* of an element, *3D space* where we live, *relative position* between objects.

### Geometric computer vision tasks

- Depth estimation
- Pose estimation
- 3D reconstruction
- ...

### Motion understanding

ex) 3D motion estimation

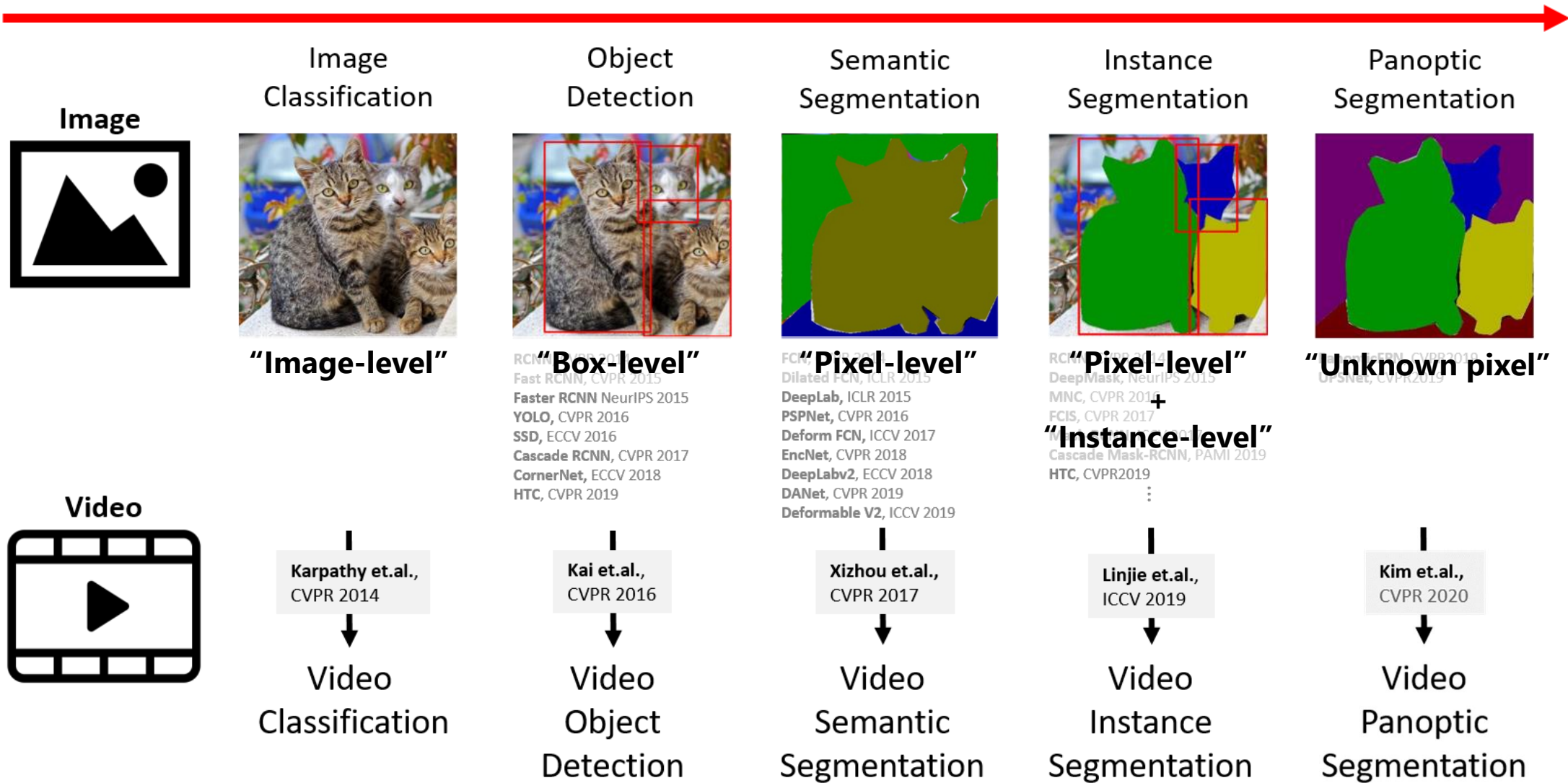
+ “Temporal”



# Computer Vision Tasks

\*Figure by Kim, et al., “Video Panoptic Segmentation” (CVPR 2020)

Model Complexity ↑ Output dimension ↑





# Image Classification with Jetson

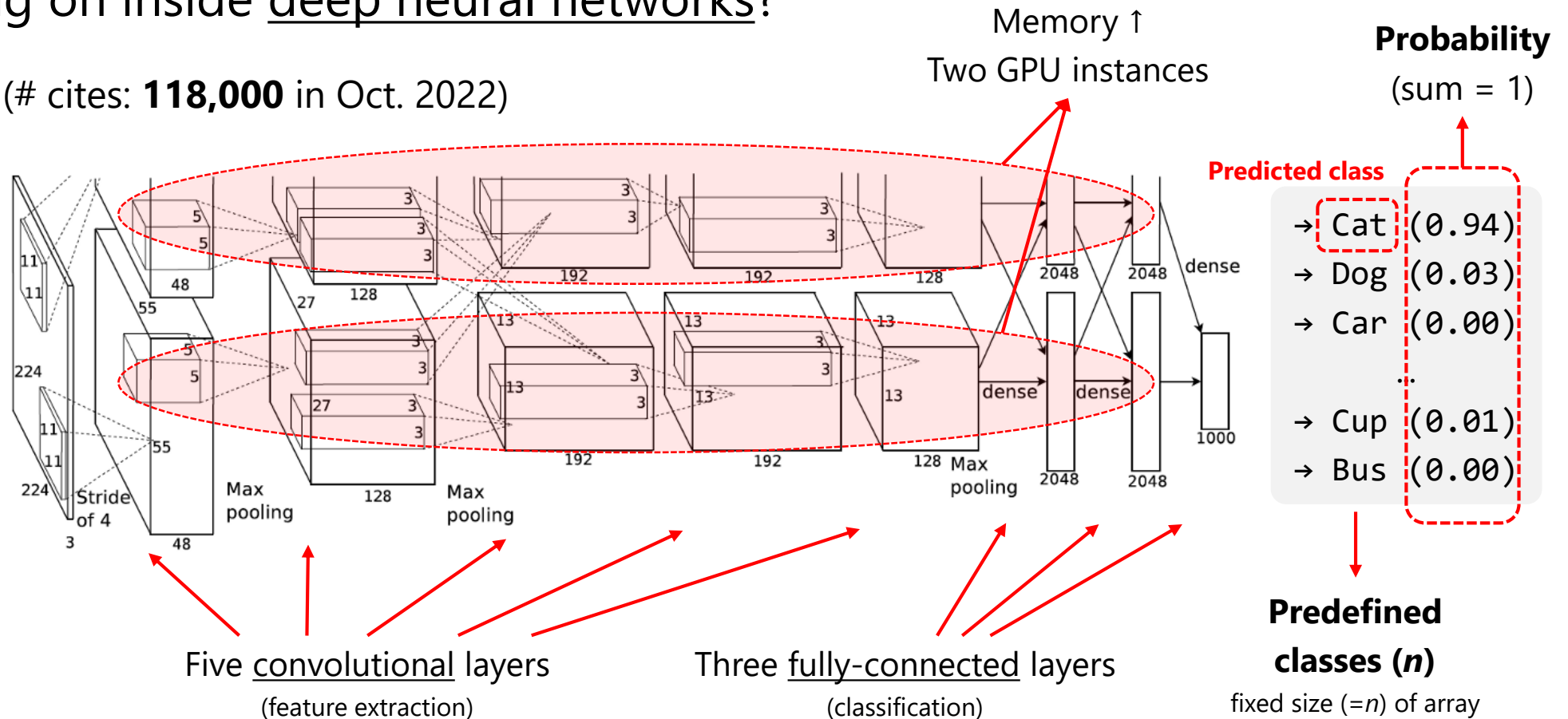


# Image Classification

The most fundamental task for visual perception!

→ What's going on inside deep neural networks?

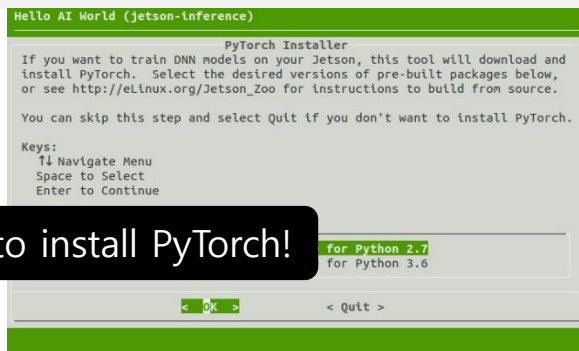
→ AlexNet [1] (# cites: **118,000** in Oct. 2022)



# Configurations: Hello-AI-World by NVIDIA

- Follow **Quick Reference** in <https://github.com/dusty-nv/jetson-inference/blob/master/docs/building-repo-2.md>

```
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install git cmake libpython3-dev python3-numpy
$ git clone --recursive https://github.com/dusty-nv/jetson-inference
$ cd jetson-inference
$ mkdir build
$ cd build
$ cmake -DENABLE_NVMM=OFF ../
$ make -j4
$ sudo make install
$ sudo ldconfig
```



You don't need to install PyTorch!



Hit **Enter** to continue!



# Experiments (Report Due ~11/3)

## ### Before Starting ###

\*Your basic workspace is here: `"cd ~/jetson-inference/build/aarch64/bin"` Every code is pre-built in this path.

## ### Video Streaming ###

Q1.1. Run `"python video-viewer.py csi://0"` What is the output?

Q1.2. Run `"python video-viewer.py --flip-method=rotate-180 csi://0"` Discuss the differences.

Q1.3. Run `"python video-viewer.py --flip-method=rotate-180 --input-width=640 --input-height=480 csi://0"` Discuss the differences.

Q1.4. Run `"python video-viewer.py --flip-method=rotate-180 --input-width=640 --input-height=480 --framerate=10 csi://0"` Discuss the differences.

## ### Live Demo for Image Classification ###

Q2.1. Run `"python imagenet.py --flip-method=rotate-180"` What is the output of the pop-up display? Let's check the terminal output. Please take a screenshot and paste it here. You can see some output values. What does each output (network name, class ID, floating-point number next to it, class name, each processing time, etc.) mean?

# Experiments (Report Due ~11/3)

Q2.2. Go to the linked page (<https://deeplearning.cms.waikato.ac.nz/user-guide/class-maps/IMAGENET/>) and check that the class ID is matched to the class name. How many classes can the model distinguish in total? Please prepare your **own object** (🐠, 🐙, 🐙, 🐙, 🐙) corresponding to one of the above classes for further experiments (classification, detection, etc.).

Q2.3. Run "cd ~/jetson-inference/build; ./download-models.sh;" to download different CNN models (e.g., AlexNet, ResNet-50, etc.). Run "python imagenet.py --flip-method=rotate-180 --network=resnet-50". Please check the qualitative performance of each model.

## ### Classify Your Own Objects or Images ###

Q3.1. Place the object in front of the camera and run the code (imagenet.py). Please take a screenshot of the result.

Q3.2. Position the object closer or further away from the camera. Please Analyze how confidence changes.



Q3.3. Download random images from Google and classify them. Please refer "python my-recognition.py images/banana\_0.jpg --network=googlenet" and the below code:

```
import PIL
img = PIL.Image.open('jellyfish.jpg').resize((224,224))
img = np.array(img)
img_cuda = jetson.utils.cudaFromNumpy(img)      # CUDA image
class_id, confidence = net.Classify(img_cuda)    # Inference
class_desc = net.GetClassDesc(class_id)         # Predicted class
print(class_desc, confidence)
```

Q3.4. Please try other CNN models and repeat Q3.

# Experiments (Report Due ~11/3)

## ### Some Useful Tips while Debugging ###

\*Sometimes, the python process does not respond. In this case, please terminate the process with `ctrl+c`. If it still does not respond at all, forcibly stop the process with `ctrl+z`, and check the running process name with the `ps -a` command, and then type `sudo pkill -9 [name-of-process]` command to kill the process. If you don't shut it down, it will remain as a zombie and keep occupying the processor (CPU or GPU) in the background.

\*Sometimes, the best solution for resolving an issue is just rebooting the system.



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