

# MACHINE LEARNING FROM A COMPUTER VISION AND NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING PERSPECTIVE

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# MACHINE LEARNING

**Machine learning** is a scientific discipline that is concerned with the design and development of algorithms that allow computers to evolve behaviours based on empirical data, such as from sensor data or databases.

# WANT MORE?

A computer program is said to learn to perform a **task T** from **experience E**, if its performance at task T, as measured by a **performance metric P**, improves with experience E over time.

ENOUGH OF IT!

# WHAT IS UNDERSTANDING OR INTELLIGENCE ?

**Query** - “car parts for sale”

## **Document 1**

... car parking available for a small fee.

... parts of our floor model inventory for sale.

## **Document 2**

Selling all kinds of automobile and pickup truck parts, engines, and transmissions.

# HAVE YOU USED ANY ML SYSTEM ?

- Amazon, Youtube, Netflix, Ebay, etc - Recommender system
- Cheques and Cash deposit machines
- Credit card, bank transactions - Fraudulent transactions
- Sophisticated cars
- US postal service

# OTHER STUFF RELATED TO ML

- Google Allo, Google Now, Siri - personal AI assistants
- Google Translate
- Skype live translate
- Facebook auto tag
- Google glass
- Self driving cars
- Google Brain
- FBLearner Flow
- Tensor Flow

# SIMPLE EXAMPLE - SPAM FILTER

- What is spam?
- How do traditional spam filters work?
- Make computers learn to classify between spam and non spam mails!



# SOME COMMON ML PROBLEMS

- Optical Character Recognition
- Face detection
- Spam filtering
- Topic spotting
- Spoken language understanding
- Medical diagnosis
- Customer segmentation
- Fraud detection
- Weather prediction
- Social network analysis

ALPHA GO !

# THE HOUSING PRICE PREDICTION EXAMPLE

MALIGNANT TUMOR PROBLEM

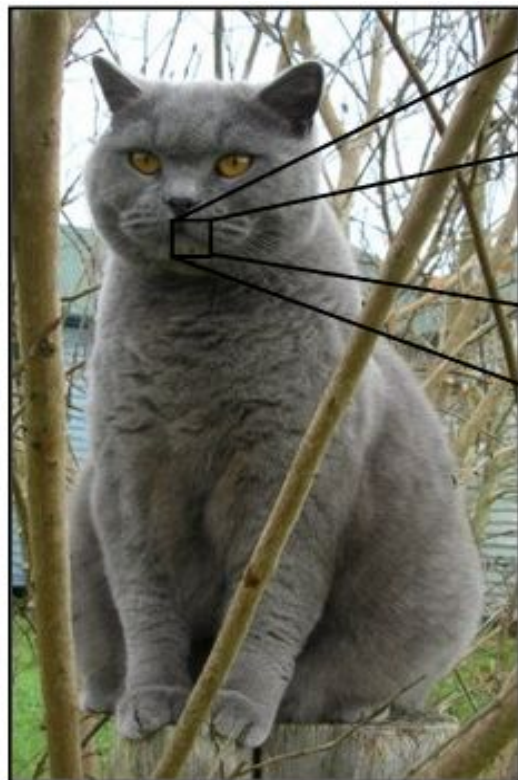
# THE ML PIPELINE

- Feature engineering / Extraction - An art
- Feature selection / Reduction
- Learning Algorithm
- Post processing
- Prediction

# COMPUTER VISION

WHAT IS?

# WHAT THE COMPUTER SEES



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What the computer sees

image classification

82% cat  
15% dog  
2% hat  
1% mug



# THE CHALLENGES !

Viewpoint variation



Scale variation



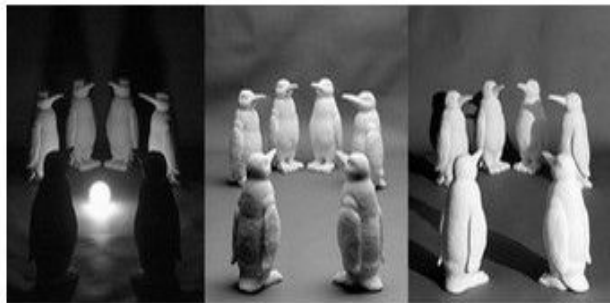
Deformation



Occlusion



Illumination conditions



Background clutter



Intra-class variation



HOW INTIMIDATING IS ML AND CV ?



HOW POWERFUL IS IT?

# IMAGE CLASSIFICATION

The pipeline,

- Input
  - Data - ImageNet, MS COCO, Flickr Datasets, PASCAL VOC or Kaggle Challenges
  - Crawl and Scrape it out!
- Learning
- Evaluation

The computing power needed,

- GPUs - K40, K20, Titan, etc.

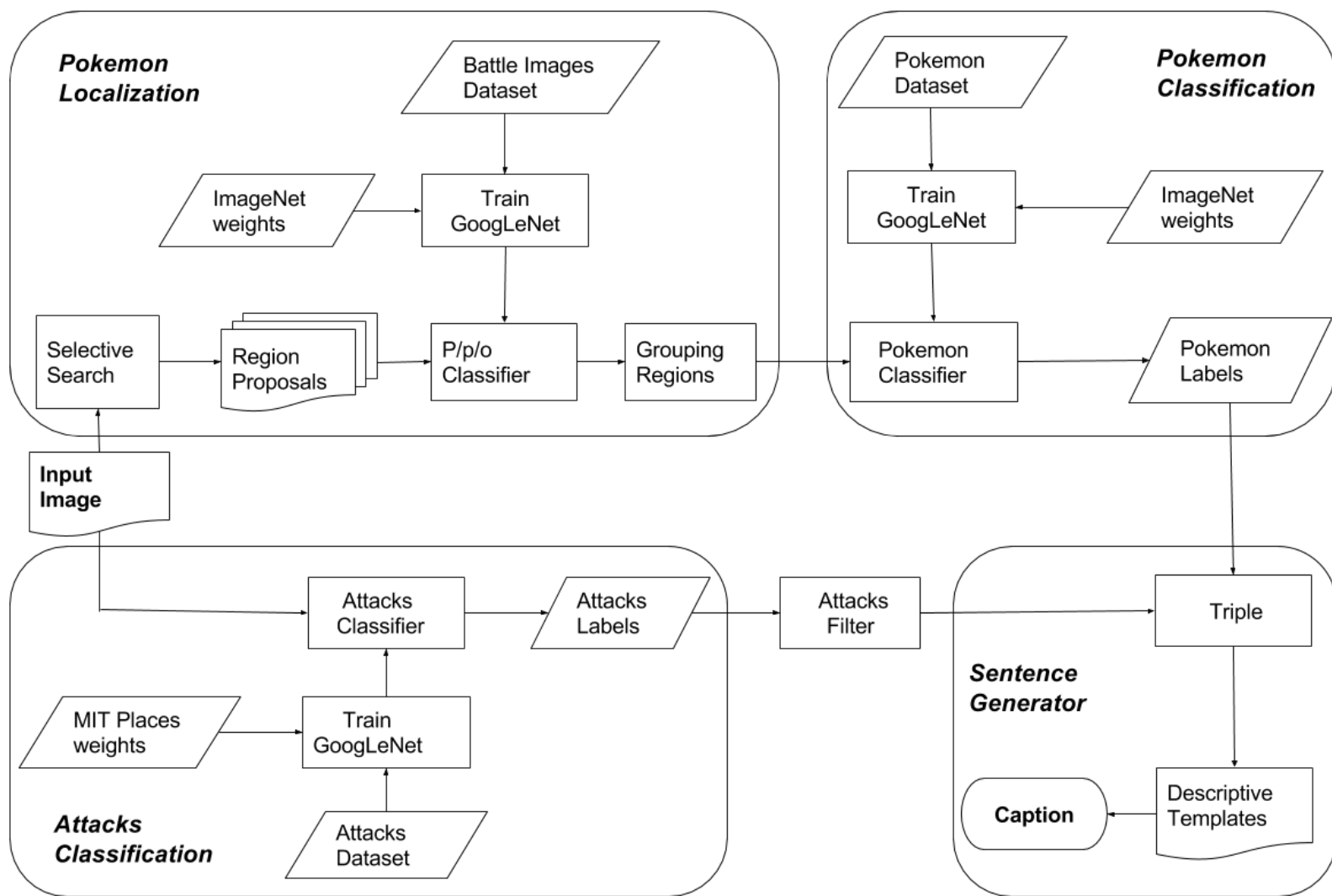
# THE IMAGE CAPTIONING PROBLEM

# POKEMON!

To automatically identify creatures called Pokemon from cartoon images, the attacks which they execute, and generate natural language sentences from these realizations







# NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

WHAT IS?

# ONE-HOT-ENCODING

the
cat
and
the
dog
are
playing

Vocabulary	
<i>Word</i>	<i>ID</i>
and	1
are	2
cat	3
dog	4
playing	5
the	6

6
3
1
6
4
2
5



# THE SOCIAL NETWORK TEXT PARSER - SOCIALFILTER

- Acronyms [LOL, OMG, etc.]
- Emoticons [ :) , :( , etc.]
- Spell Check
- Contractions [doesn't, wouldn't, etc.]
- Hashtags [#greenplanet, #YOLO, etc.]
- Tokenize
- Stop words [and, or, a, an, the, etc.]

# THE SPELL CHECKER - PETER NORVIG

```
import re, collections

def words(text): return re.findall('[a-z]+', text.lower())

def train(features):
    model = collections.defaultdict(lambda: 1)
    for f in features:
        model[f] += 1
    return model

NWORDS = train(words(file('big.txt').read()))

alphabet = 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'

def edits1(word):
    splits = [(word[:i], word[i:]) for i in range(len(word) + 1)]
    deletes = [a + b[1:] for a, b in splits if b]
    transposes = [a + b[1] + b[0] + b[2:] for a, b in splits if len(b)>1]
    replaces = [a + c + b[1:] for a, b in splits for c in alphabet if b]
    inserts = [a + c + b for a, b in splits for c in alphabet]
    return set(deletes + transposes + replaces + inserts)

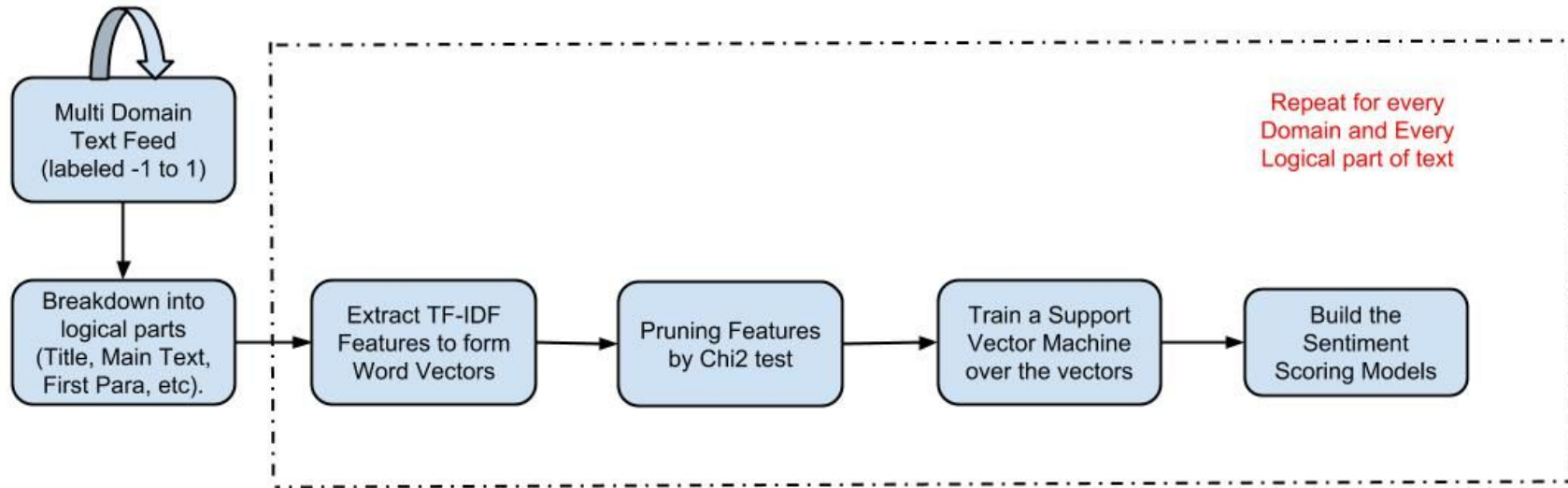
def known_edits2(word):
    return set(e2 for e1 in edits1(word) for e2 in edits1(e1) if e2 in NWORDS)

def known(words): return set(w for w in words if w in NWORDS)

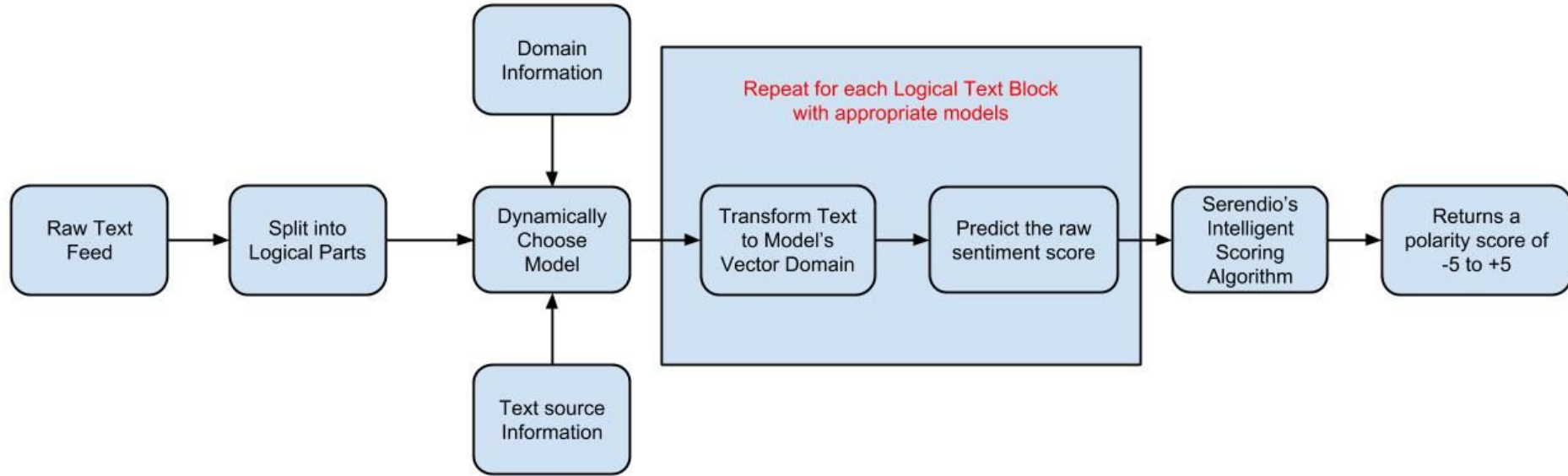
def correct(word):
    candidates = known([word]) or known(edits1(word)) or known_edits2(word) or [word]
    return max(candidates, key=NWORDS.get)
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# SENTIMENT ANALYSIS

Crawl and Update feed  
Dynamically  
(keeping models up-to-date)



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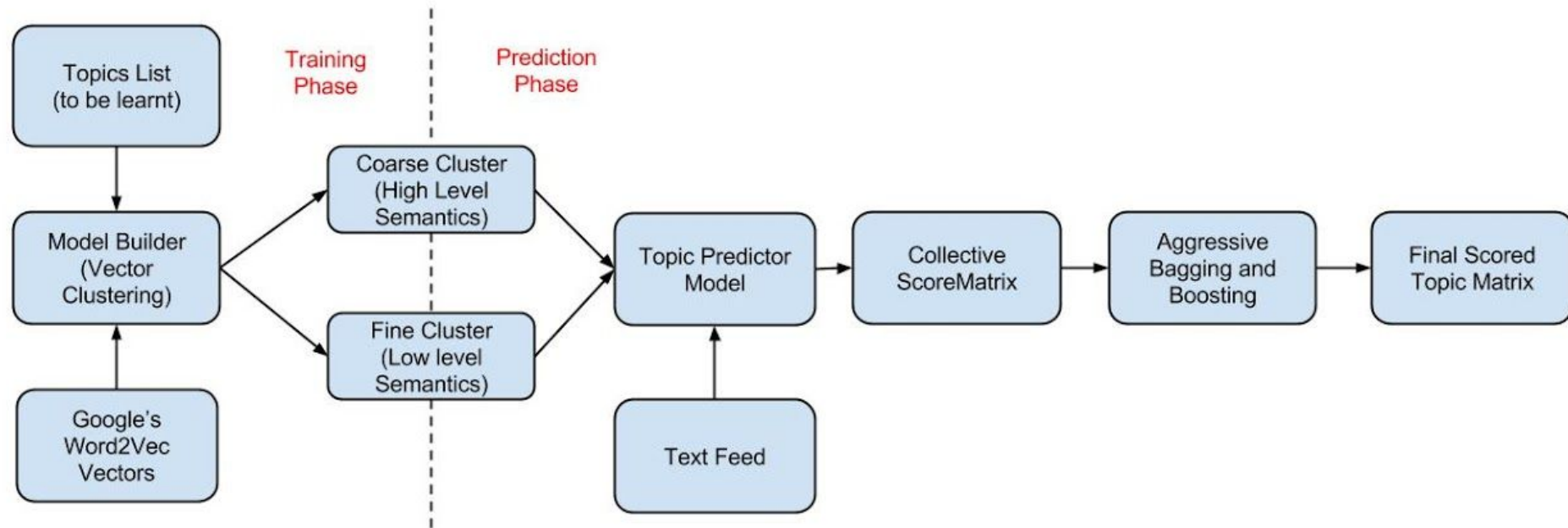




# RESULTS

Text and Source	Sentiment Score
News Article ( <a href="#">Link</a> ) from "The Hindu"	-3
'This is the thinnest and sexiest phone on earth' from "Amazon Product Reviews"	5
'What's with the crappy weather?' from "Twitter"	-2
'#tropical #dreaming from last week #nightsky #palm tree #nightshot #stars #galaxy #etoiles #rxeaver #hamocklife' from "Tumblr"	2
'I'm watching you... #ad <a href="http://bit.ly/19zaE6f">http://bit.ly/19zaE6f</a> ' from "Instagram"	3

# TOPIC MODELLING



# RESULTS

Text	Topics/Categories
Heading to a garden cocktail party.	travel    food    general
so much cool stuff happening on mtv awards, so many awesome artists kings of leon performing BOOO, i hate cable.	media    pop
@Valkyrie_NYC Hi Philine, nice to meet you. I just looked at your bio and even your name suits the fact that you are a opera singer.	celebrity    music    pop
@FatimaControl @shotgunxsarah if i had a car I would so volunteer, I havent seen them since Reno 2007	culture    business    general
Sunday, lazy Sunday... after this long weekend, no more vacation time until August	news    travel

BEHIND THE HOOD !?

THE REAL IMAGE PERSPECTIVE !

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THANK YOU!

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