# And why did you make this prediction, machine?

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### Agenda

- Why do we need model interpretability?
- How can we achieve (some) model interpretability?

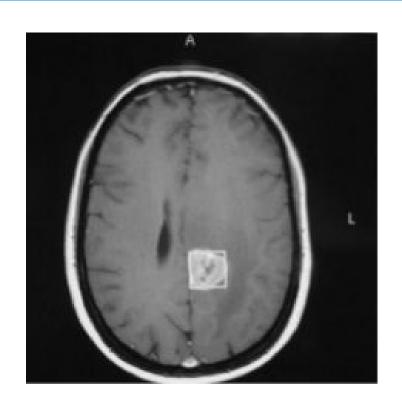
- Subjective (Natural human suspicious of anything new, untested.)
- Objective (medical field, criminal justice system, military...)
- Regulatory or legal requirements

#### Objective

- Model has only advisory role, final decision is made by human
- oTo improve business process (if we understand model inner-working we may implement some of findings as simple business rules)
- Control for bias / discrimination
- Knowledge extraction

Advisory role

Where is the tumor specifically?



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- Knowledge extraction

"At the same time, Deep Patient is a bit puzzling. It appears to anticipate the onset of psychiatric disorders like schizophrenia surprisingly well. But since schizophrenia is notoriously difficult for physicians to predict, Dudley wondered how this was possible. He still doesn't know. The new tool offers no clue as to how it does this. If something like Deep Patient is actually going to help doctors, it will ideally give them the rationale for its prediction, to reassure them that it is accurate and to justify, say, a change in the drugs someone is being prescribed. "We can build these models," Dudley says ruefully, "but we don't know how they work.""

MIT Technology Review Intelligent Machines

## The Dark Secret at the Heart of Al

No one really knows how the most advanced algorithms do what they do. That could be a problem.

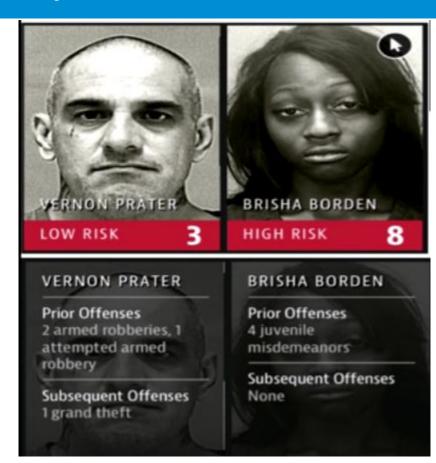
Control for bias / discrimination

#### **Machine Bias**

There's software used across the country to predict future criminals. And it's biased against blacks.

by Julia Angwin, Jeff Larson, Surya Mattu and Lauren Kirchner, ProPublica May 23, 2016





- Regulatory or legal requirements
  - o European Parliament adopted a set of comprehensive regulations for the collection, storage and use of personal information, the **General Data Protection Regulation**.
  - These regulations are planned to become effective in 2018.

Article 22. Automated individual decision making, including profiling

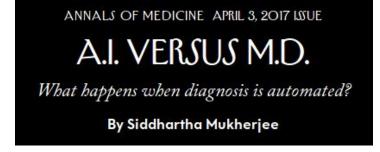
- 1. The data subject shall have the right not to be subject to a decision based solely on automated processing, including profiling, which produces legal effects concerning him or her or similarly significantly affects him or her.
- 2. Paragraph 1 shall not apply if the decision:
  - (a) is necessary for entering into, or performance of, a contract between the data subject and a data controller;
  - (b) is authorised by Union or Member State law to which the controller is subject and which also lays down suitable measures to safeguard the data subject's rights and freedoms and legitimate interests; or
  - (c) is based on the data subject's explicit consent.
- 3. In the cases referred to in points (a) and (c) of paragraph 2, the data controller shall implement suitable measures to safeguard the data subject's rights and freedoms and legitimate interests, at least the right to obtain human intervention on the part of the controller, to express his or her point of view and to contest the decision.
- 4. Decisions referred to in paragraph 2 shall not be based on special categories of personal data referred to in Article 9(1), unless point (a) or (g) of Article 9(2) apply and suitable measures to safeguard the data subject's rights and freedoms and legitimate interests are in place.

#### Not that easy

o"Although computer scientists are working on it, (Geoffrey) Hinton acknowledged that the challenge of opening the black box, of trying to find out exactly what these powerful learning systems know and how they know it, was "far from trivial—don't believe anyone who says that it is." "



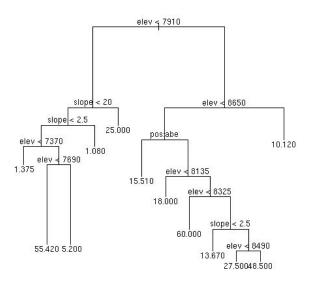
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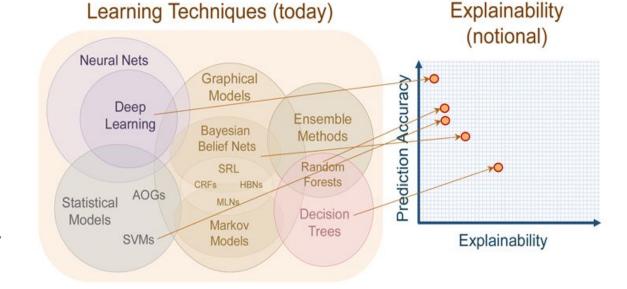
- Some Approaches
  - Explainable models
  - Surrogate model
  - Local explanation
  - •Compare with "typical result"

- "Explainable" models
  - Decision trees
  - **OGLM**

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$$y_i = eta_0 1 + eta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + eta_p x_{ip} + arepsilon_i = \mathbf{x}_i^{\mathrm{T}} oldsymbol{eta} + arepsilon_i, \qquad i = 1, \dots, n,$$



Is Artificial Intelligence Permanently Inscrutable?

Despite new biology-like tools, some insist interpretation is impossible.

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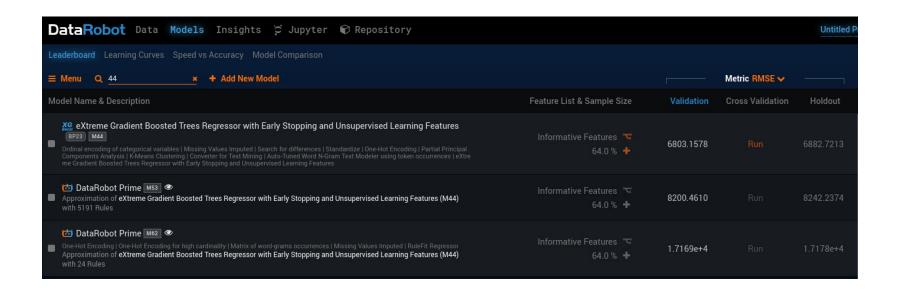
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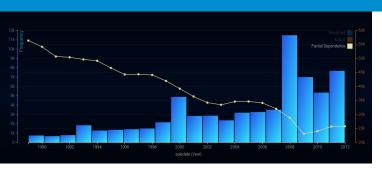
**WHAT VS. WHY:** Modern learning algorithms show a tradeoff between human interpretability, or explainability, and their accuracy. Deep learning is both the most accurate and the least interpretable.

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- Surrogate model
  - Create main model
  - oTrain second ("explainable") model using predictions of the first model as targets

#### Surrogate models



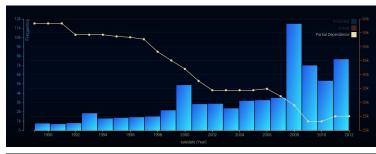


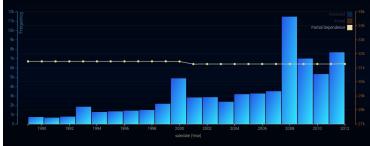
•Main model. Partial dependence plot

●5191 rules

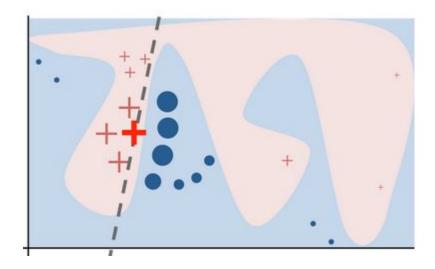
Surrogate models

•24 rules





● Local explanation (LIME [Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanation] Marco Tulio Ribeiro, Sameer Singh, Carlos Guestrin)





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#### Approach

- Compare a prediction with "typical result"
- OAssume the difference can be explained by difference of predictors from "typical predictors"

- •Define what is a "typical"?
  - The whole population
  - Middle 50% (25% to 75% quantiles)
  - Manually specified subpopulation

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- •Find what would be the prediction when a predictor have "typical values"?
- Evaluate how difference of each predictor from "typical values" affect prediction
- Select strongest factors and communicate to the user

- House price = f (size, N\_bedrooms, N\_bathrooms, Territory,...)
- Calculate "effect" of each variable

| size | N_bedrooms | N_bathrooms | Territory |
|------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 5         |

- Typical values : Numerical random sample
- Typical values: Categorical each unique value with appropriate weights

| Territory |      |      |     |     |     |     |
|-----------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1         | 2    | 3    | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   |
| 20        | 50   | 130  | 500 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 0.02      | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |

| size | N_bedrooms | N_bathrooms | Territory |            |
|------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 5         |            |
| size | N_bedrooms | N_bathrooms | Territory | Prediction |
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 1         | 185000     |
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 2         | 220000     |
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 3         | 190000     |
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 4         | 270000     |
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 5         | 200000     |
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 6         | 195000     |
| 1600 | 3          | 2           | 7         | 235000     |

| Territory | Prediction | Weight |
|-----------|------------|--------|
| 1         | 1850       | 0.02   |
| 2         | 2200       | 0.05   |
| 3         | 1900       | 0.13   |
| 4         | 2700       | 0.5    |
| 5         | 2000       | 0.1    |
| 6         | 1950       | 0.1    |
| 7         | 2350       | 0.1    |

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Average prediction for "typical" value of territory =
1850*0.02 + 2200*0.05 + 1900*0.13 + 2700*0.5 +
2000*0.1 + 1950*0.1 + 2350*0.1 = 2374
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•Effect of territory = 2000 - 2374 = - 374



- Approach is model-agnostic
- Explanations are model specific
- Reflects model inner-working
  - ODoes not take into account variable interactions
  - Multicollinear features may be treated differently depending on model

#### Questions

Questions?



# Thank you