Welcome and Introduction

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Sentiment classification

Natural language inference

Machine translation

Question answering

Graphical Models

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- start combining probabilistic models and NN architectures

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