

ML is Using probability for ~~ML~~ ML

AI is a fictional technology that does not exist

↳ Machine Learning

Wisconsin Breast Cancer Data

↳ Large number of variables  
from ultrasounds of breast tumors  
Patient data

Predict?

Who has breast cancer  
and who has benign  
tumors.

As a statistician

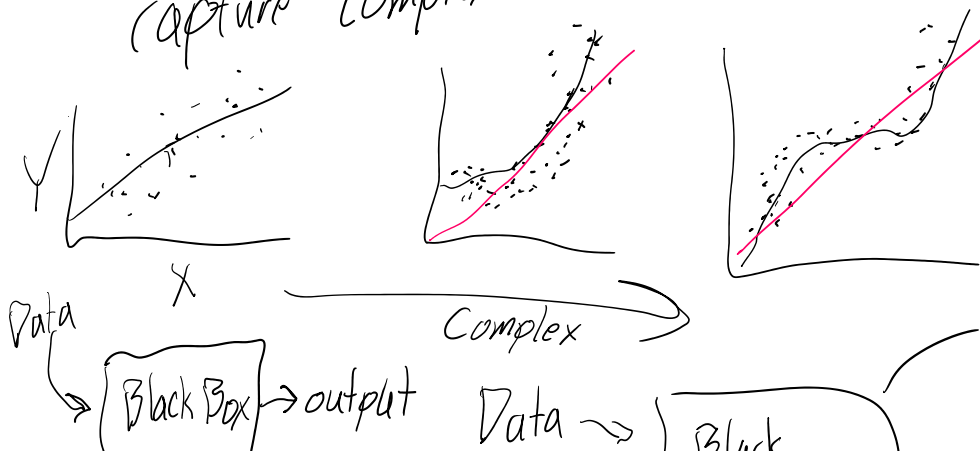
Find which variables  
best predict breast cancer  
diagnosis, construct a model  
that allows us to assess how  
each of these variables  
impacts breast cancer prediction

What if we don't care about  
the why?

What if all we care about  
 $P(BC|Data)$  that is as accurate  
as possible?

Machine Learning

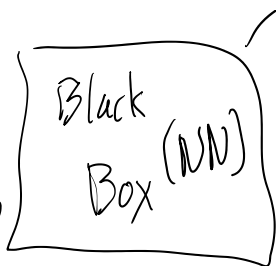
Machine Learning techniques often function as a black box, but  
capture complex trends in data



The black box can  
capture any trends  
as long as it

Black Box → output

Data →  
Data →  
Data →



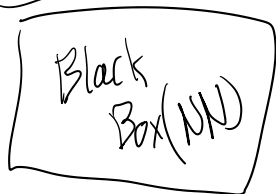
capture any trends  
as long as it  
has enough data  
and is big enough.

This was done for a Tuberculosis diagnosis system

Lung scans  
Data Patient data



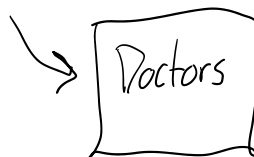
With TB  
and without TB



→  $P(TB|Data)$

★ this system  
is better


Data



→  $P(TB|Data)$

AB testing

We take identical data

A:  Patient data  
B:

A: 50% → 15% TB  
B: 35% → 12% TB

Scans from older machines  
were producing higher incidence  
rate of TB.

There was a bias in the  
data the algorithm picked up

ML algorithms pick up patterns and trends exist in the data  
regardless of if they are spurious, unintended, bad.

What if we took recidivism data and tried to predict reoffense?

who goes back  
to jail

American criminal justice system is rife with racial bias.

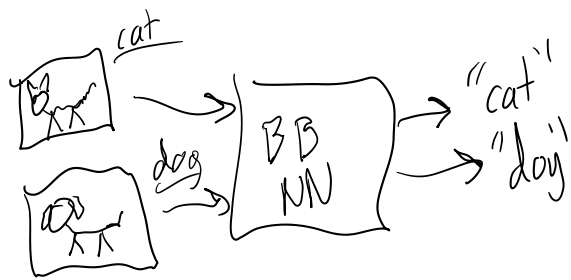
ML models trained on this data capture and propagate this bias.

Generative "AI"



"cat"

Training this requires a lot  
of labeled pictures of cats  
and cars and buildings

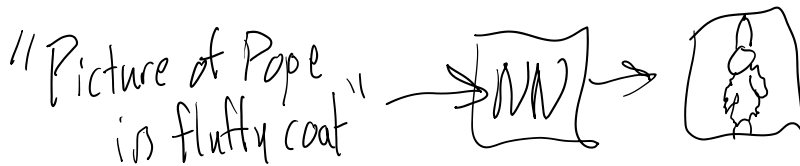


of 'labeled' pictures of cats and dogs and cars and buildings



Generative Neural Network

Adversarial training



What if there existed a dataset bigger than any other  
One that was self labeling?

"I went to Berlin when I was younger and we saw what remained of the Berlin wall."

If I want to predict the next word given all previous words.

Lots and lots of texts  
Blog posts,  
books, academic papers,  
people counting numbers,



↳ This is full of racism, pornography, bigotry, the general worst

$y^{(i)}$   $\hookrightarrow$  This is full of racism, pornography, bigotry, the general worst of humanity

$\hookrightarrow$  Impoverished people that we can take advantage of  $\leftarrow$  "Racism, bigotry, pornography"

$\hookrightarrow$  Pick what's good and what's bad.

$P(\text{next word} | \text{previous words})$