

Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

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- **Artificial Intelligence Overview**
- **Machine Learning Deep Dives**
 - **Supervised Learning**
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 - **Reinforcement Learning**
- **Conclusions/Summary**



What is Artificial Intelligence?

Narrow AI: The theory and development of computer systems that perform tasks that augment for human intelligence such as perceiving, classifying, learning, abstracting, reasoning, and/or acting

General AI: Full autonomy



AI. Why Now?

Big Data



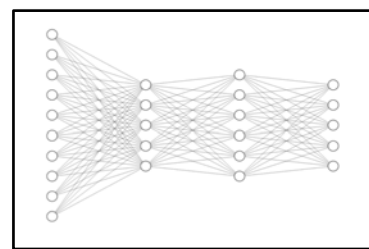
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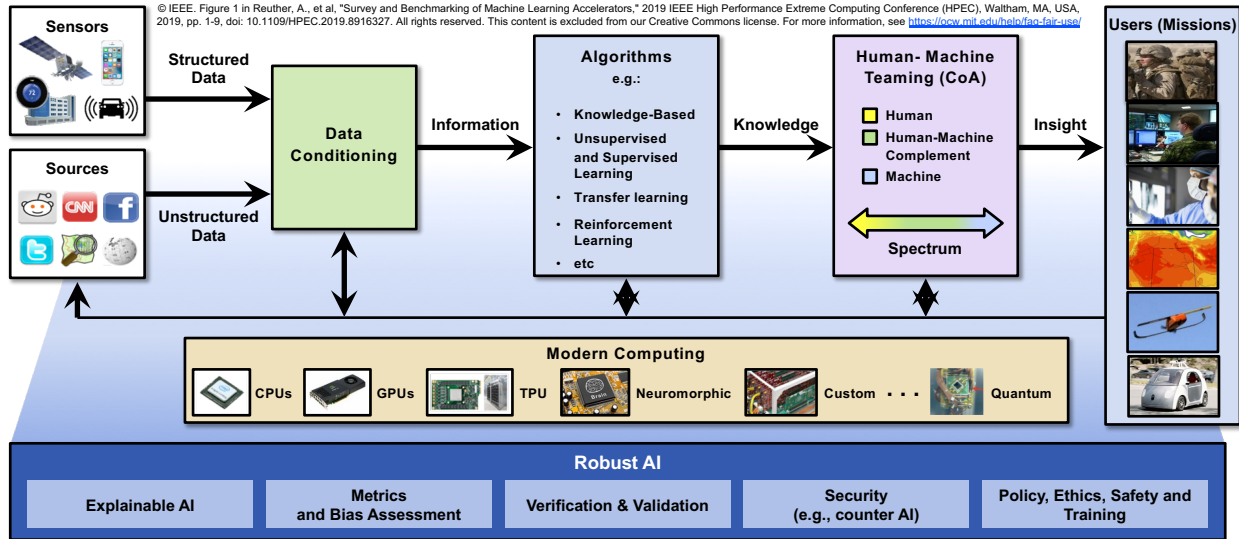
Machine Learning Algorithms



Convergence of High Performance Computing, Big Data and Algorithms that enable widespread AI development



AI Canonical Architecture



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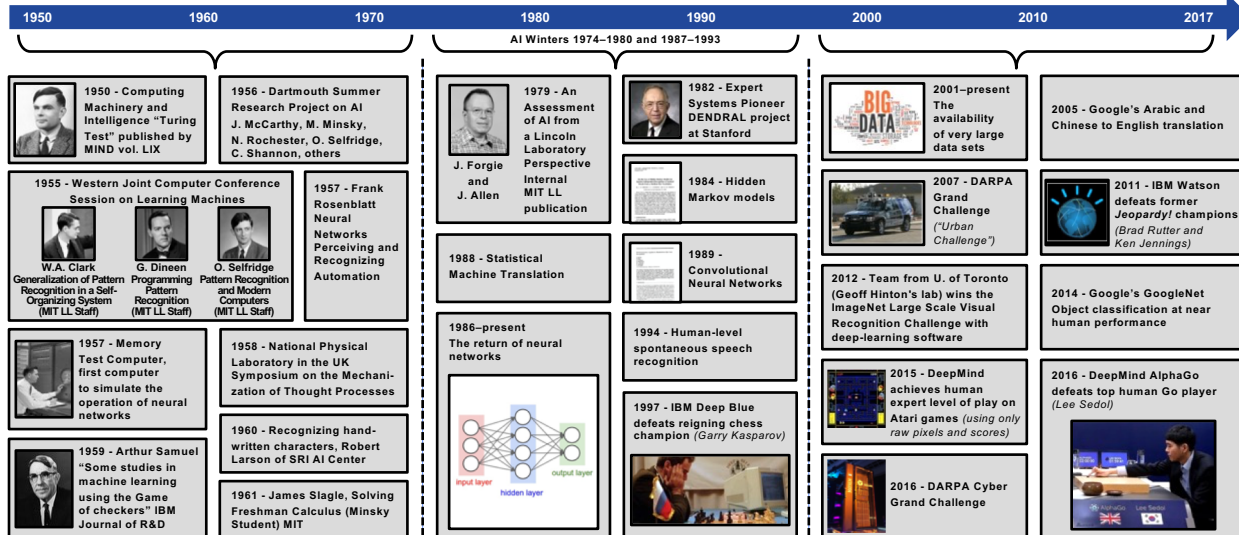
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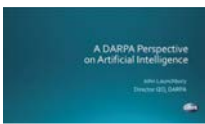
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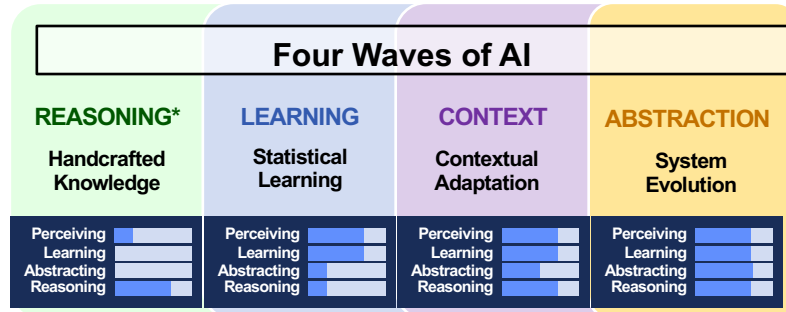
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Artificial Intelligence Evolution



* Waves adapted from John Launchbury, Director I20, DARPA



Lots of data enabled non-expert systems



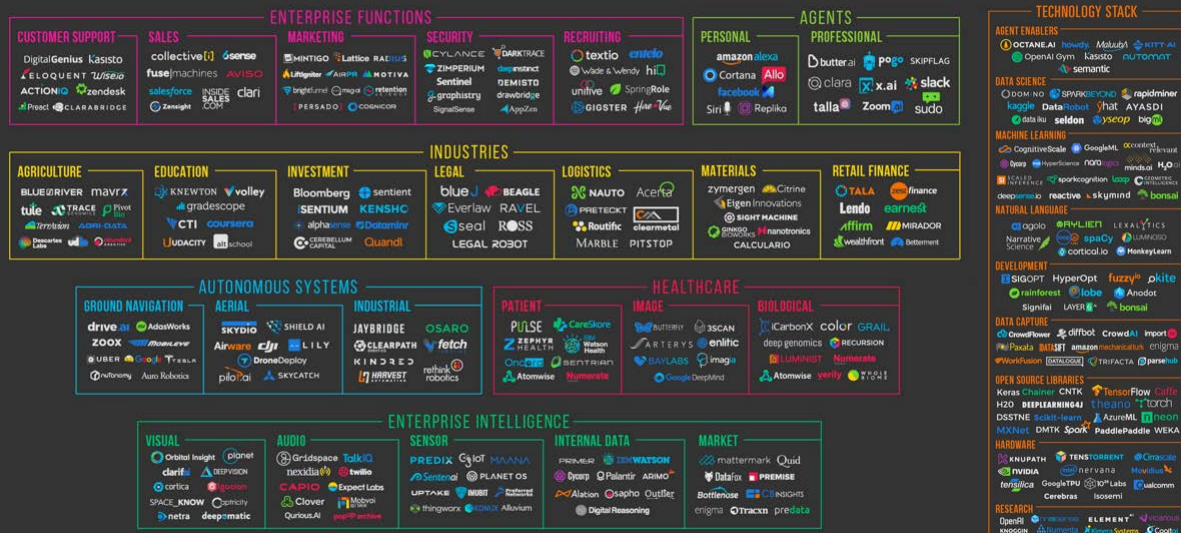
Adding context to AI systems



Ability of system to abstract



Spectrum of Commercial Organizations in the Machine Intelligence Field





Data is Critical To Breakthroughs in AI

Year	Breakthroughs in AI	Datasets (First Available)	Algorithms (First Proposed)
1994	Human-level read-speech recognition	Spoken Wall Street Journal articles and other texts (1991)	Hidden Markov Model (1984)
1997	IBM Deep Blue defeated Garry Kasparov	700,000 Grandmaster chess games, aka "The Extended Book" (1991)	Negascout planning algorithm (1983)
2005	Google's Arabic- and Chinese-to-English translation	1.8 trillion tokens from Google Web and News pages (collected in 2005)	Statistical machine translation algorithm (1988)
2011	IBM Watson became the world Jeopardy! champion	8.6 million documents from Wikipedia, Wiktionary, Wikiquote, and Project Gutenberg (updated in 2010)	Mixture-of-Experts algorithm (1991)
2014	Google's GoogleNet object classification at near-human performance	ImageNet corpus of 1.5 million labeled images and 1,000 object categories (2010)	Convolutional neural network algorithm (1989)
2015	Google's Deepmind achieved human parity in playing 29 Atari games by learning general control from video	Arcade Learning Environment dataset of over 50 Atari games (2013)	Q-learning algorithm (1992)
Average No. of Years to Breakthrough:		3 years	18 years

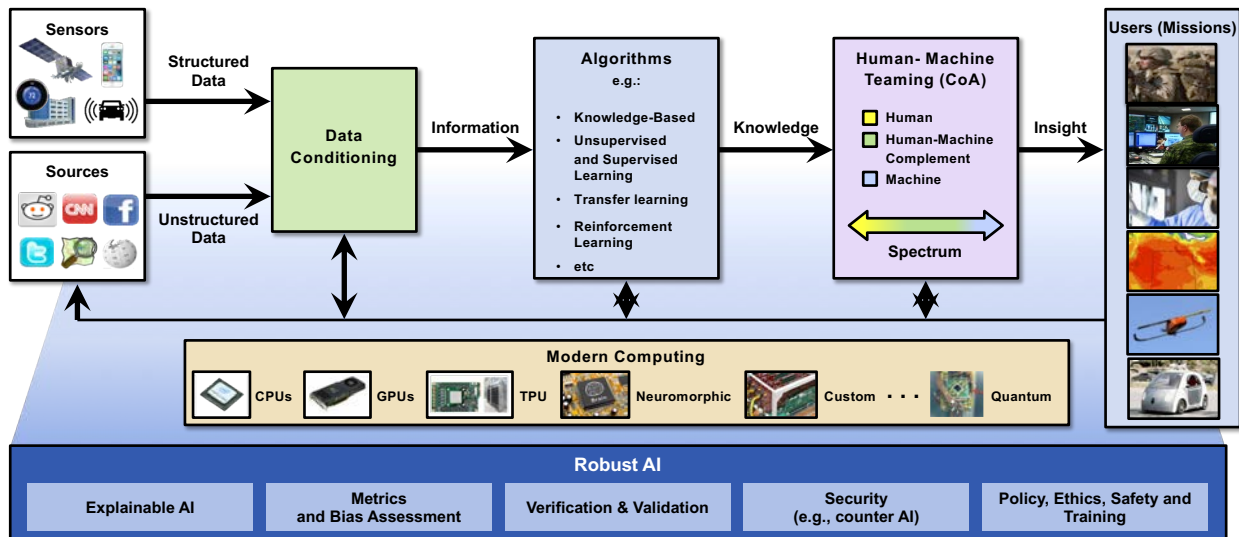
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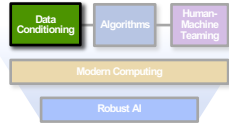
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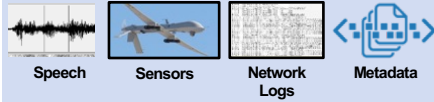
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Unstructured and Structured Data



Structured Data Types



Unstructured Data Types



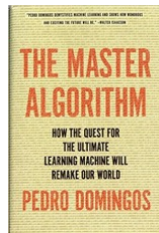
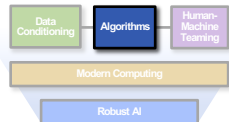
Data Conditioning/Storage Technologies - Data to Information -

Technologies	Capabilities Provided
Infrastructure/Databases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indexing/Organization/Structure Domain Specific Languages High Performance Data Access Declarative Interfaces
Data Curation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unsupervised machine learning Dimensionality Reduction Clustering/Pattern Recognition Outlier Detection
Data Labeling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial data exploration Highlight missing or incomplete data Reorient sensors/recapture data Look for errors/biases in collection

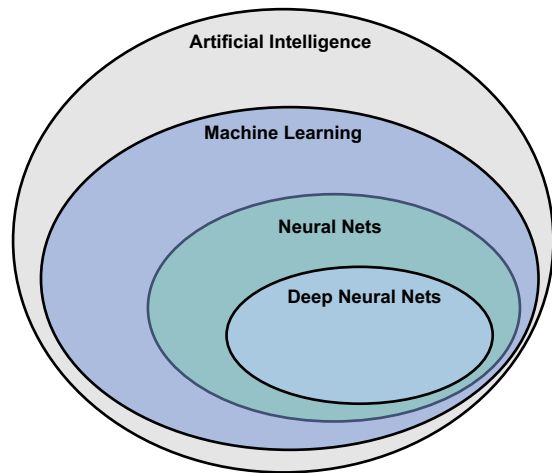
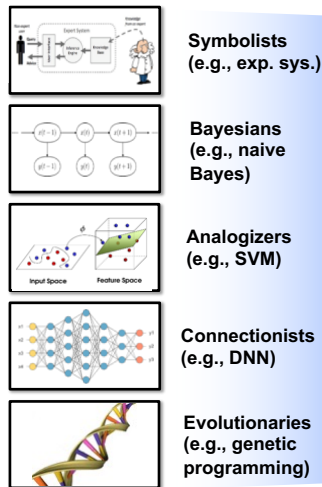
Often takes up 80+% of overall AI/ML development work



Machine Learning Algorithms Taxonomy



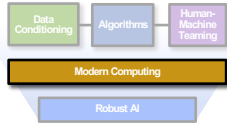
Algorithms*



* "The Five Tribes of Machine Learning", Pedro Domingos



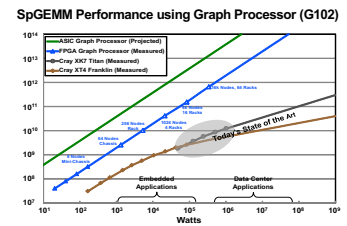
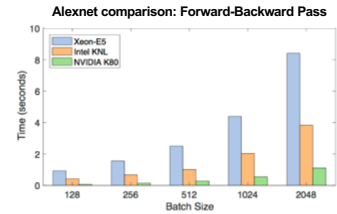
Modern AI Computing Engines



Computing Class

Computing Class	What It Provides to AI
CPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most popular computing platform General purpose compute
GPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Used by most for training algorithms (good for NN backpropagation)
TPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speeds up inference time (domain specific architecture)
Neuromorphic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active research area
Custom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability to speed up specific computations of interest (e.g. graphs)
Quantum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefits unproven until now Recent results on HHL (linear system of equations)

Selected Results



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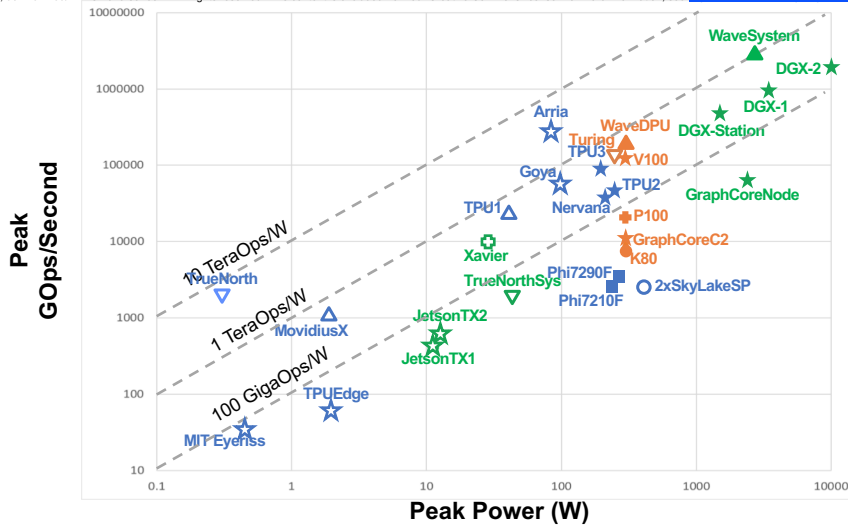
HHL = Harrow-Hassidim-Lloyd quantum algorithm

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Neural Network Processing Performance

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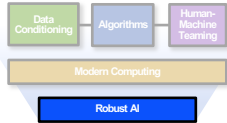
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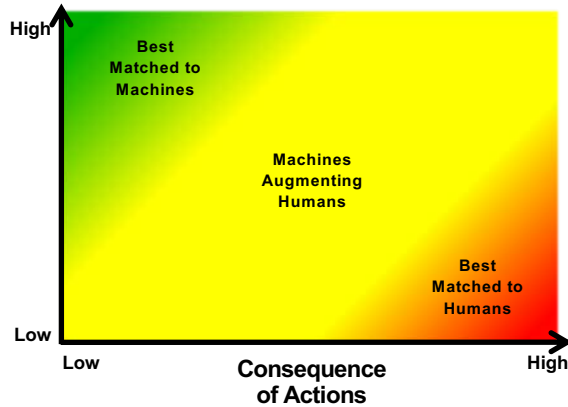


Robust AI: Preserving Trust



Confidence Level in the Machine Making the Decision

Confidence Level vs. Consequence of Actions



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Importance of Robust AI

Robust AI Feature

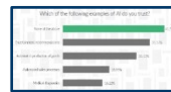
Issue

Example

Solutions

Explainable AI

User unfamiliarity or mistrust leads to lack of adoption



Seamless integration, model expansion, transparent uncertainty

Metrics

Unknown relationship between arbitrary input and machine output



Explainability, dimensionality reduction, feature importance inference

Validation & Verification

Algorithms need to meet mission specifications



Robust training, "portfolio" methods, regularization

Security

System vulnerable to adversarial action (both cyber and physical)



Model failure detection, red teaming

Policy, Ethics, Safety, and Training

Unwanted actions when controlling heavy or dangerous machinery



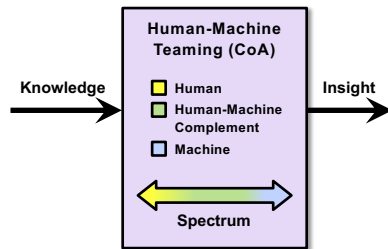
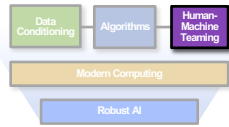
Risk sensitivity, robust inference, high decision thresholds

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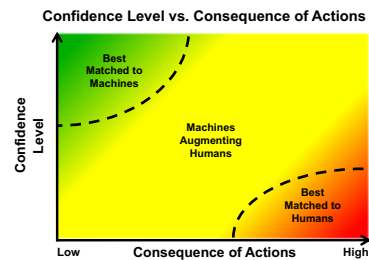
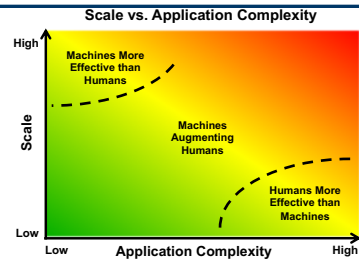
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Human-Machine Teaming



Human-Machine teaming will consist of intelligent assistants enabled by artificial intelligence



Critical Element of AI: Understanding how humans and machines can work together for applications



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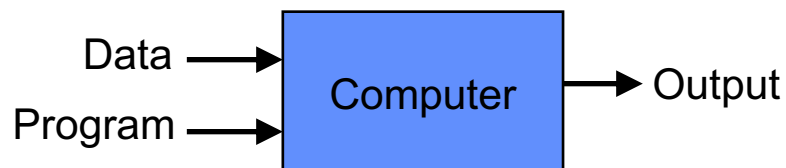
What is Machine Learning?

- **Machine Learning**
 - Study of algorithms that improve their performance at some task with experience (data)
 - Optimize based on performance criterion using example data or past experience
- **Combination of techniques from statistics, computer science communities**
- **Getting computers to program themselves**
- **Common tasks:**
 - **Classification**
 - **Regression**
 - **Prediction**
 - **Clustering**
 - ...

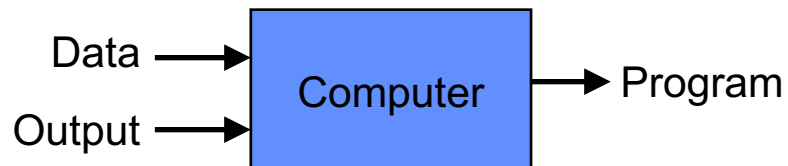


Traditional Programming vs. Machine Learning

Traditional Programming



Machine Learning





Machine Learning Techniques

**Supervised
(Labels)**

**Unsupervised
(No Labels)**

**Reinforcement
(Reward Information)**

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Classification

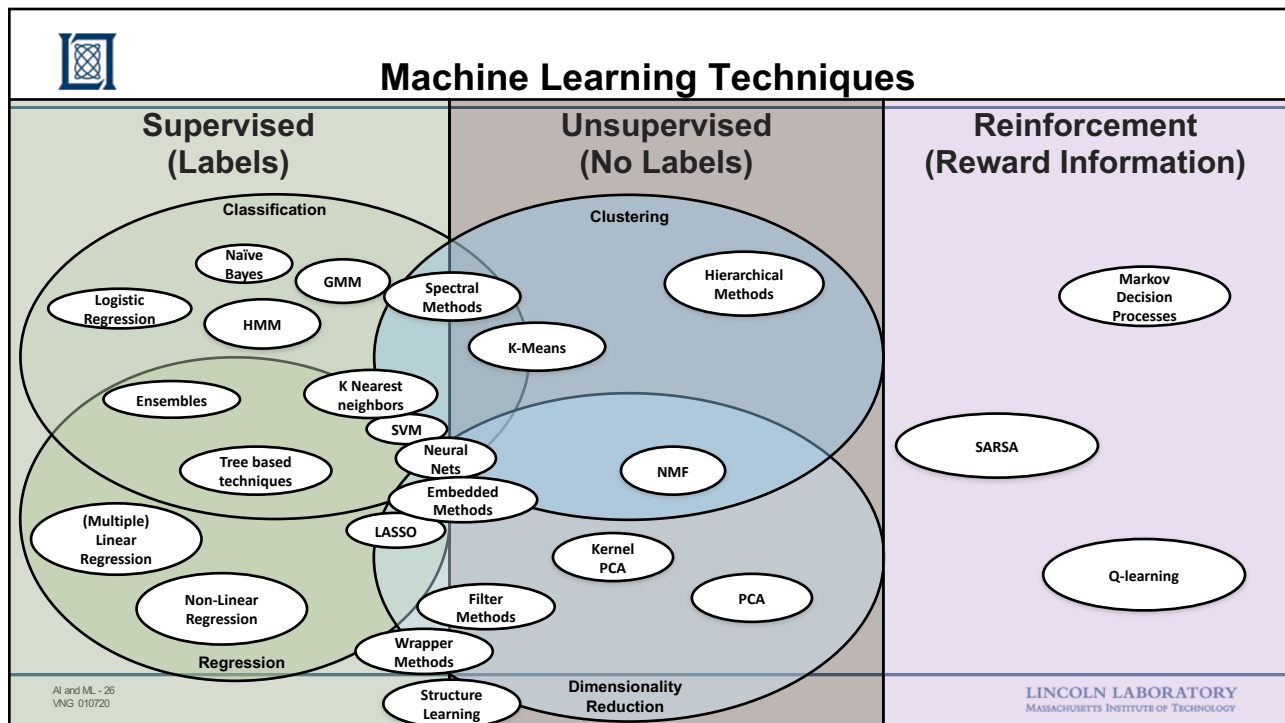
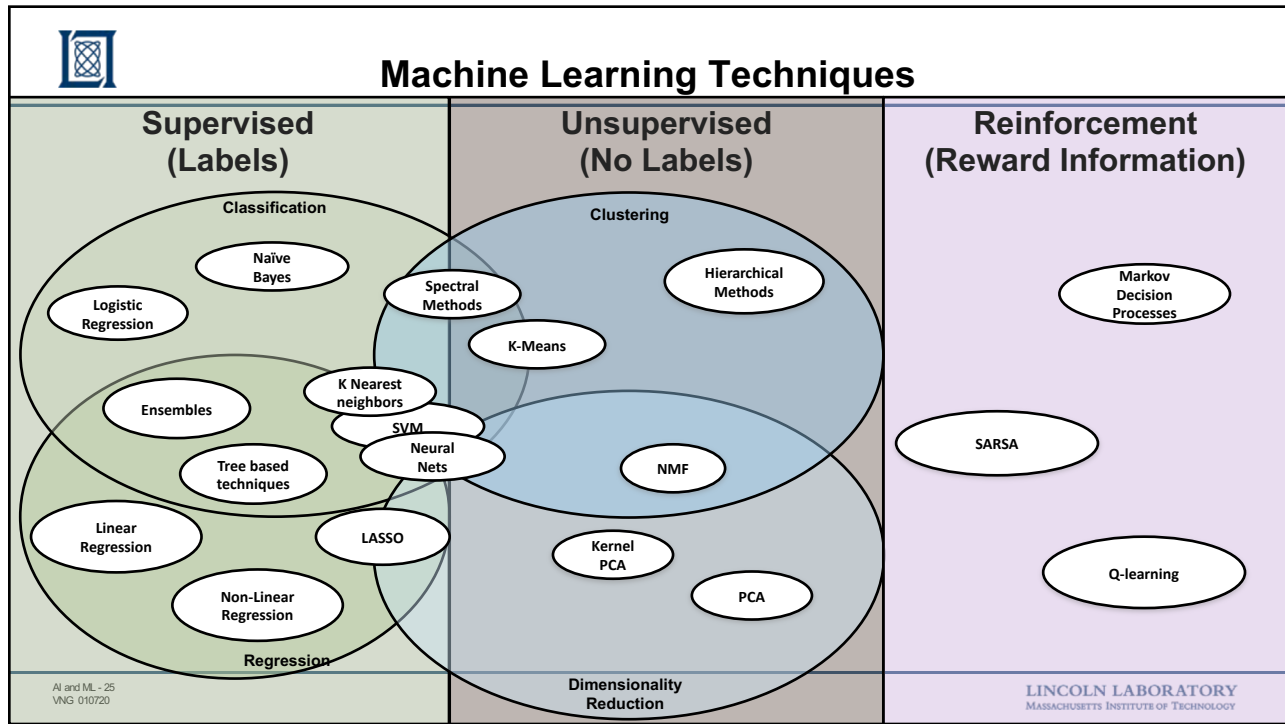
Clustering

Regression

Dimensionality
Reduction

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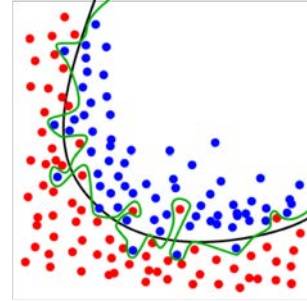
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Common ML Pitfalls

- **Over-fitting vs. Under-fitting**
- **Bad/noisy/missing data**
- **Model selection**
- **Lack of success metrics**
- **Linear vs. Non-linear models**
- **Ignoring outliers**
- **Training vs. testing data**
- **Computational complexity, curse of dimensionality**
- **Correlation vs. Causation**



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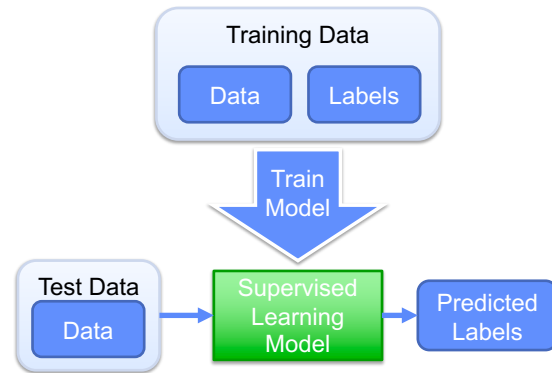
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Supervised Learning

- Starting with labeled data (ground truth)
- Build a model that predicts labels
- Two general goals:
 - Regression: predict continuous variable
 - Classification: predict a class or label
- Generally has a training step that forms the model



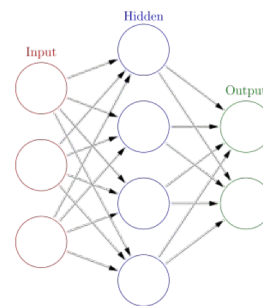
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Artificial Neural Networks

- Computing systems inspired by biological networks
- Systems learn by repetitive training to do tasks based on examples
 - Generally a supervised learning technique (though unsupervised examples exist)
- Components: Inputs, Layers, Outputs, Weights
- Deep Neural Network: Lots of “hidden layers”
- Popular variants:
 - Convolutional Neural Nets
 - Recursive Neural Nets
 - Deep Belief Networks
- Very popular these days with many toolboxes and hardware support

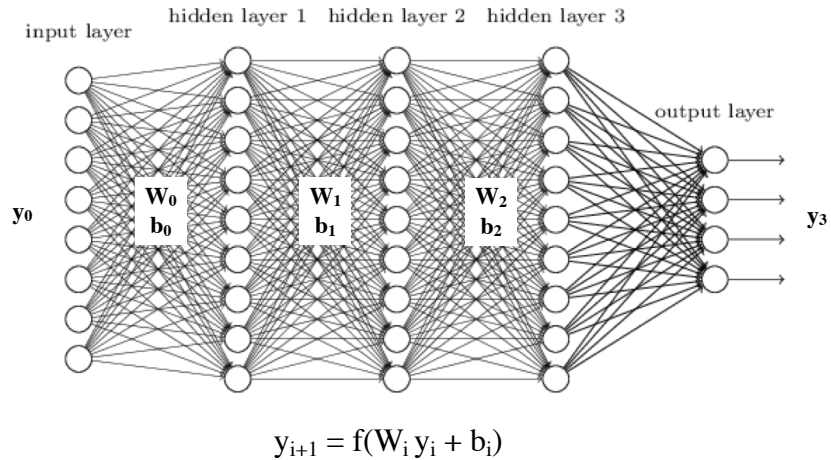


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Deep Neural Networks



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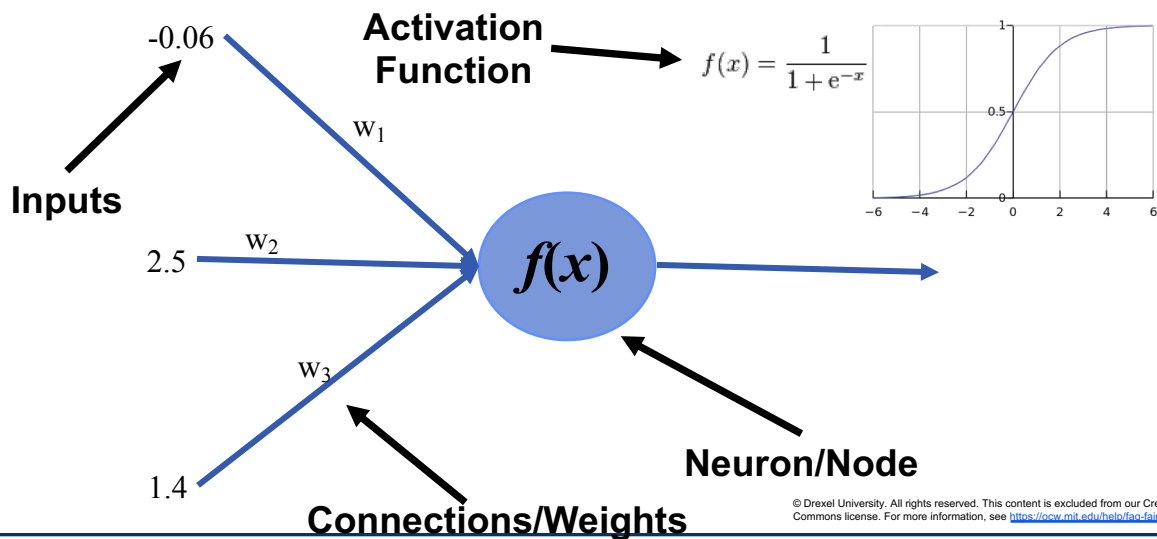
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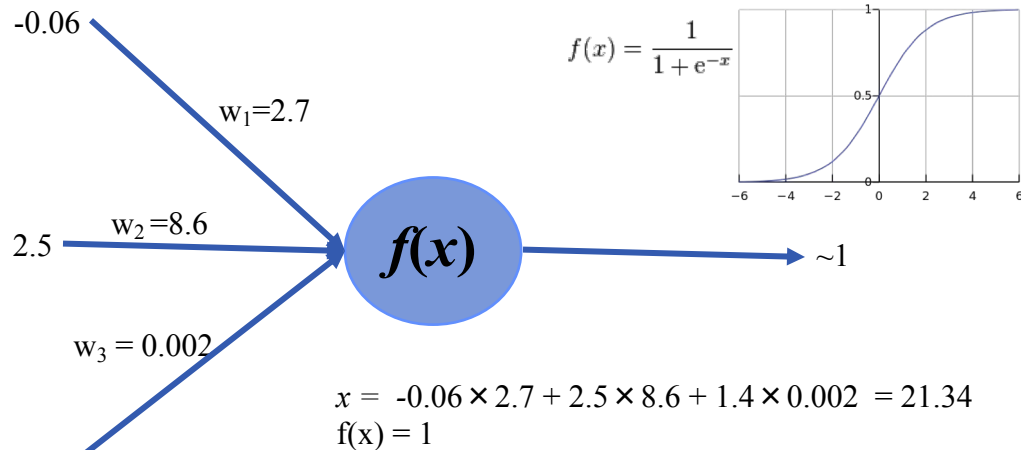
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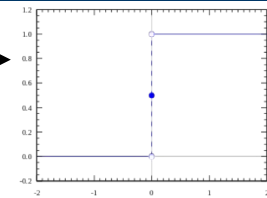
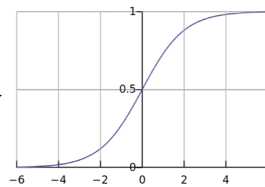
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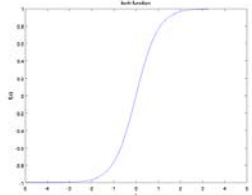
Common Activation Functions

- **Step Function:** $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ 1, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

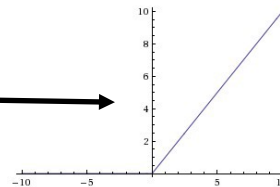


- **Sigmoid Function:** $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$

- **Tanh Function:** $f(x) = \tanh(x)$



- **Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU):** $f(x) = \max(0, x)$

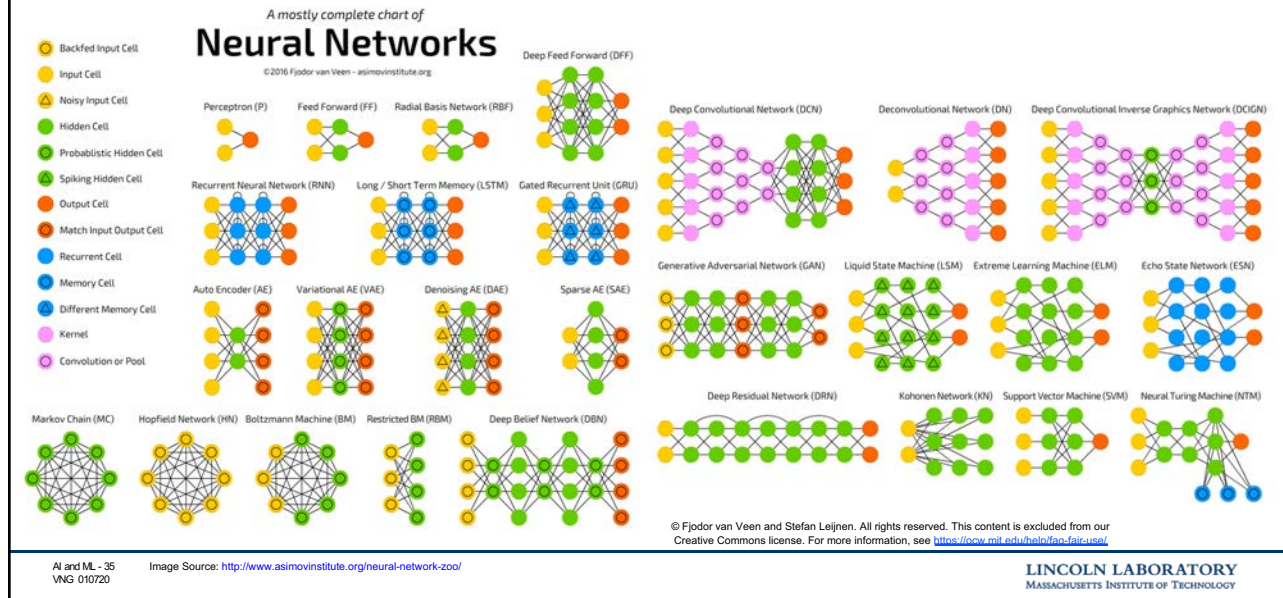


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Neural Network Landscape



Neural Network Training

Key Idea: Adjusting the weights changes the function represented by the neural network
(*learning = optimization in weight space*).

Iteratively *adjust weights* to reduce *error* (difference between network output and target output)

Weight Update

- *perceptron training rule*
- *linear programming*
- *delta rule*
- *Backpropagation*

Real neural network architectures can have 1000s of input data points, hundreds of layers and millions of weight changes per iteration



Neural Network Inference

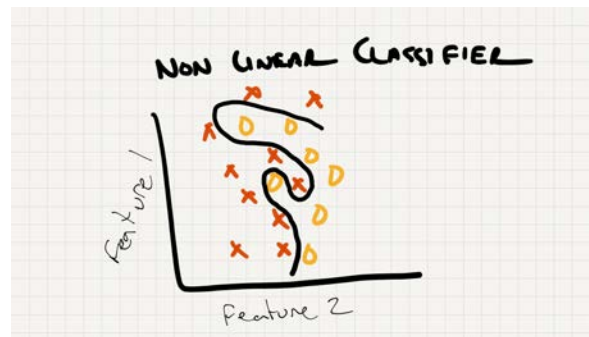
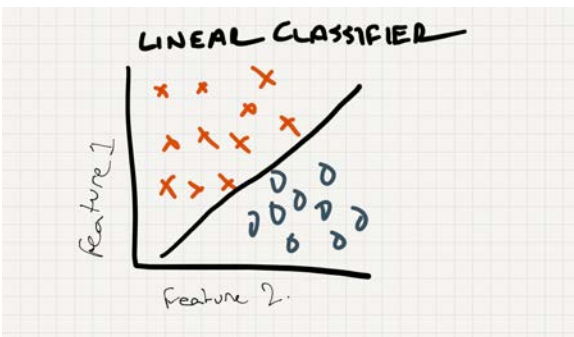
- Using the trained model on previously “unlabeled” data

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Neural Network Learning: Decision Boundary



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Designing a Neural Network

- Designing a neural network can be a complicated task.
- Many choices:
 - Depth (number of layers)
 - Inputs (number of inputs)
 - Type of Network:
 - Convolutional Neural Network
 - Deep Feedforward Neural Network
 - Deep Belief Network
 - Long/Short Term Memory
 - ...
 - Types of layers:
 - MaxPool
 - Dropout
 - Convolutional
 - Deconvolutional
 - Softmax
 - Fully Connected
 - Skip Layer
 - ...
 - Training Algorithm
 - Performance vs. Quality
 - Stopping criteria
 - Performance function
 - Metrics:
 - False positive
 - ROC curve
 - ...



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Unsupervised Learning

- Task of describing hidden structure from unlabeled data
- More formally, we observe features X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and would like to observe patterns among these features.
 - We are not interested in prediction because we don't know what an output Y would look like.
- Typical tasks and associated algorithms:
 - Clustering
 - Data projection/Preprocessing
- Goal is to discover interesting things about the dataset: subgroups, patterns, clusters?



More on Unsupervised Learning

- There is no good simple goal (such as maximizing certain probability) for the algorithm
- Very popular because techniques work on unlabeled data
 - Labeled data can be difficult and expensive
- Common techniques:
 - Clustering
 - K-Means
 - Nearest neighbor search
 - Spectral clustering
 - Data projection/preprocessing
 - Principal component analysis
 - Dimensionality Reduction
 - Scaling

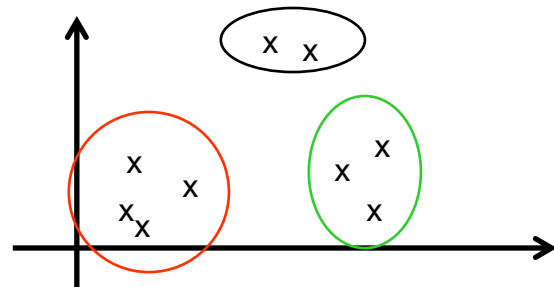


Clustering

- Group objects or sets of features such that objects in the same cluster are more similar than those of another cluster
- Optimal clusters should
 - Minimize intra-cluster distance
 - Maximize inter-cluster distance
- Example of intra-cluster measure
 - Squared error se

$$se = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{p \in c_i} \|p - m_i\|^2$$

where m_i is the mean of all features in cluster c_i



Dimensionality Reduction

- Process of reducing number of random variables under consideration
 - Key idea: Reduce large dataset to much smaller dataset using only high variance dimensions
- Often used to simplify computation or representation of a dataset
- Typical tasks:
 - Feature Selection: try to find a subset of original variables
 - Feature Extraction: try to represent data in lower dimensions
- Often key to good performance for other machine learning techniques such as regression, classification, etc.
- Other uses:
 - Compression: reduce dataset to smaller representation
 - Visualization: easy to see low dimensional data



Neural Networks and Unsupervised Learning

- Traditional applications of neural networks such as Image classification fall into the realm of supervised learning:
 - Given example inputs x and target output y , learn the mapping between them.
 - A trained network is supposed to give the correct target output for any input stimulus
 - Training is learning the weights
- Largely used to find better representations for data: clustering and dimensionality reduction
- Non linear capabilities

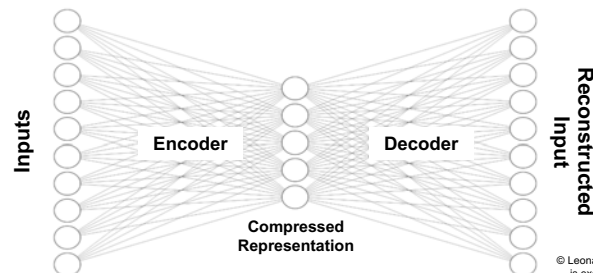
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Example: Autoencoders

- Neural network architecture designed to find a compressed representation for data
- Feedforward, multi layer perceptron.
- Input layer number of features = output layer number of features
- Similar to dimensionality reduction but allows for much more complex representations



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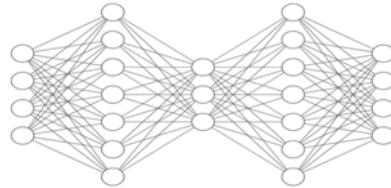
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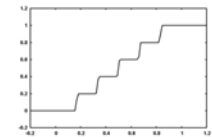


Example: Replicator Neural Network

- Conceptually, very similar to autoencoders
- Used extensively for anomaly detection (looking for outliers)
- Example architecture



- Salient differences from an autoencoder: Step Activation Function, Inclusion of dropout layers
 - Step activation squeezes the middle layer outputs into a number of clusters
 - Dropout layers help with overfitting



Step Activation Function

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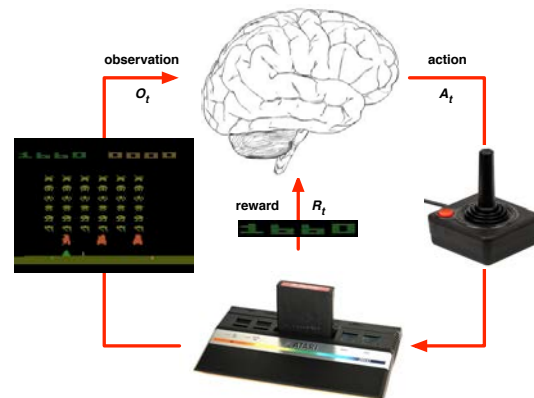
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Reinforcement Learning

- **What makes reinforcement learning different from other machine learning paradigms?**
 - There is no supervisor, only a reward signal
 - Feedback is delayed, not instantaneous
 - Time really matters (sequential, often inter-dependent data)
 - Agent's actions affect the subsequent data it receives
- **Example: Playing Atari game**
 - Rules of the game are unknown
 - Learn directly from interactive game-play
 - Pick actions on joystick, see pixels and scores



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Other Reinforcement Learning Examples

- **Fly stunt maneuvers in a helicopter**
 - + reward for following desired trajectory
 - - reward for crashing
- **Defeat the world champion at Backgammon**
 - +/- reward for winning/losing a game
- **Manage an investment portfolio**
 - + reward for each \$ in bank
- **Control a power station**
 - + reward for producing power
 - - reward for exceeding safety thresholds
- **Make a humanoid robot walk**
 - + reward for forward motion
 - - reward for falling over



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Summary

- **Lots of exciting research into AI/ML techniques**
 - This course looks at a number of relatively easy strategies to mitigate these challenges
- **Key ingredients for AI success:**
 - **Data Availability**
 - **Computing Infrastructure**
 - **Domain Expertise/Algorithms**
- **Large challenges in data availability and readiness for AI**
- **MIT SuperCloud platform (next presentation) can be used to perform the heavy computation needed**

- **Further reading:**
 - "AI Enabling Technologies: A Survey." <https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.03592>

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