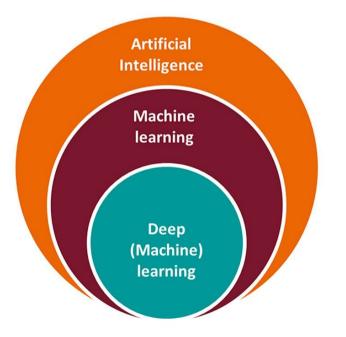
#### Interpretable machine learning <sup>by</sup> Juri Zach

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### Introduction to machine learning

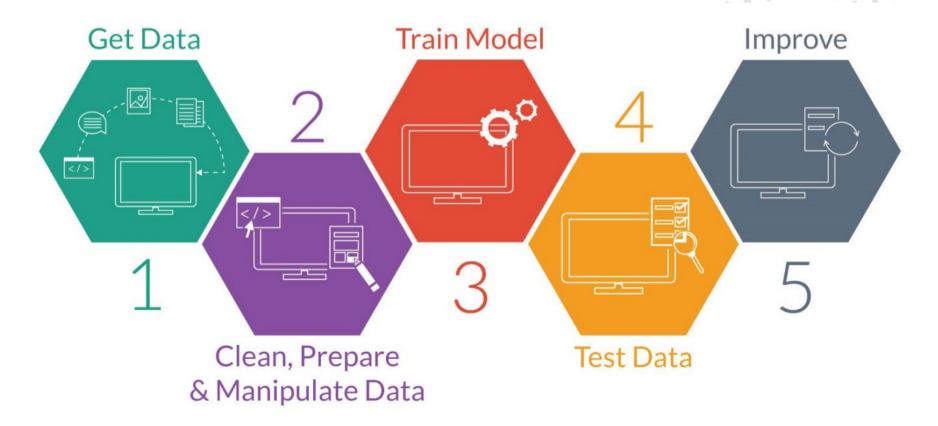


"Machine Learning is concerned with computer programs that automatically improve their performance through Experience"

## Different kind of machine learning



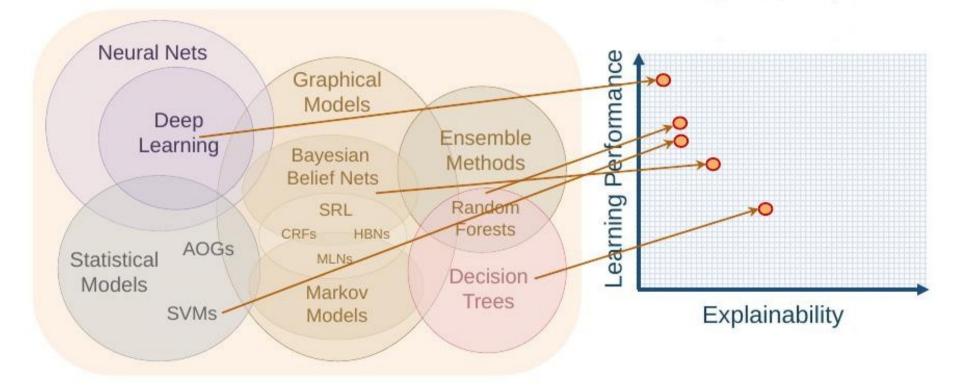
#### Machine learning work-flow



## Machine learning methods

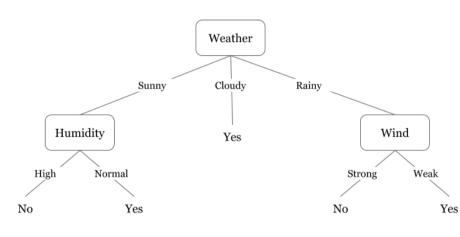
- Decision trees
- Linear models
- Logistic regression
- Bayesian nets
- Random forest
- Deep neural networks

### Complexity of machine learning models

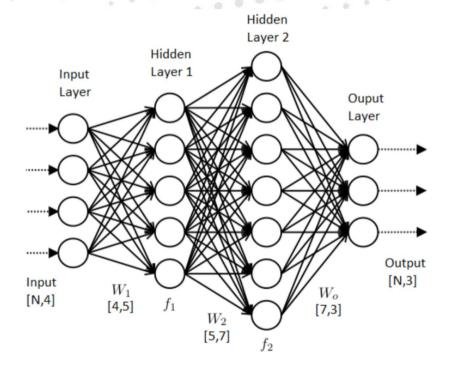


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#### Decision tree vs neuronal net



Should I play Badminton?



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### Interpretation of machine learning models

## What is interpretability?

"The term interpretability is ill-defined, and thus claims regarding interpretability of various models may exhibit a quasi-scientific character"

(Zachary C. Lipton)

# What is interpretability?

### "we define interpretability as the ability to explain or present in understandable terms to humans"

(F. Doshi-Velez and B. Kim)

Why is interpretability important?

- Debugging
- Safety
- Subconscious biases
- Gaining trust
- Scientific understanding
- General Data Protection Regulation

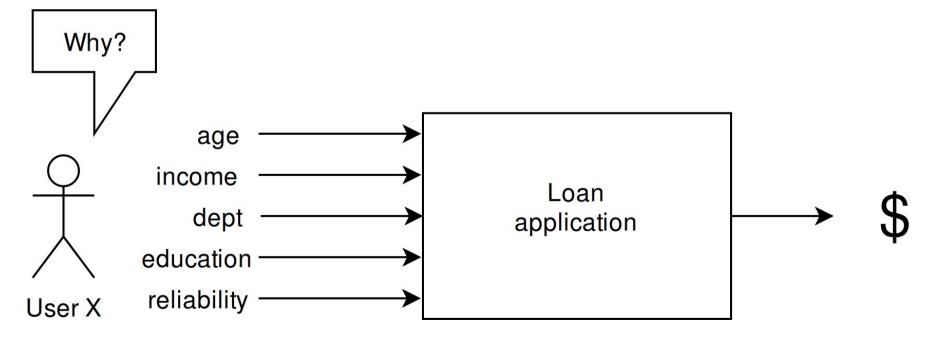
### Different methods to interpret machine learning

- Designed interpretable models vs post-hoc interpretation
- Model level interpretation vs prediction (instance) level interpretation
- Model agnostic vs model specific method

### Counterfactual explanations

- Properties
  - Post hoc interpretation
  - Prediction level interpretation
  - Model agnostic method
- Causal explanation to describe event (prediction) by its cause (features)
- Describes small change to the feature values that change prediction of predefined output

### Counterfactual explanations example



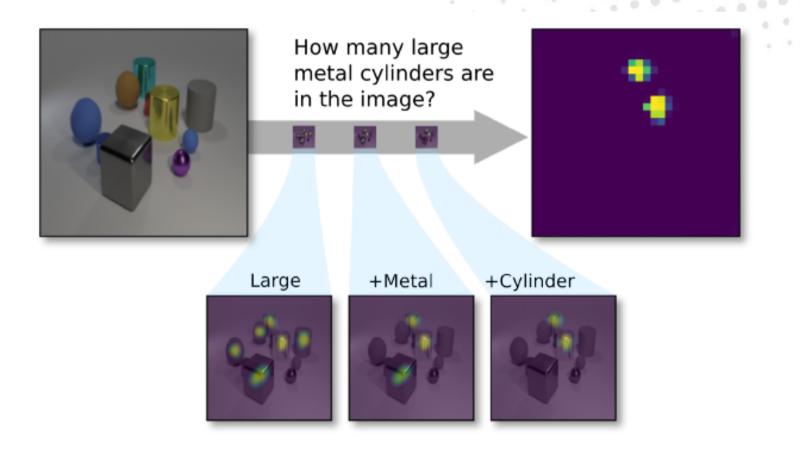
### Transparency by Design (TbD-net)

- Properties
  - Interpretable model design
  - Model interpretation & prediction interpretation
  - Model specific method
- Designed for visual question answering (VQA)

#### TbD-net Architecture

- Natural language component to parse question into series of logical operations
- Module network to perform operations in image
  - Module is a small neural network performing a given logical step
  - Complex chain of reasoning is broken down in smaller problems which can be solved independently

### TbD-net example



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#### Conclusion

## Technical conclusion

- Extremely fast evolving scientific field
- Undefined patchwork science
- Research only, no practical application yet

### Social conclusion

- Important to adapt model to application by evaluating many objectives like ethic, legality, safety et al.
- Great to extract complex knowledge from huge amounts of data
- Potential in improving human computer interaction for AI to target a future where humans and computers work together to solve problems

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#### Thanks for your attention!

#### Any Questions?

