AI and Education Sciences

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AI and Education Sciences

- **What is AI?**
- Machine Learning
- Natural Language Processing
- Large Language Models
- GPT and ChatGPT
- LLMs and AI in Education
- Morphosis vs Education
- Citizen Morphosis
- Educational Systems Modeling
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What is AI?

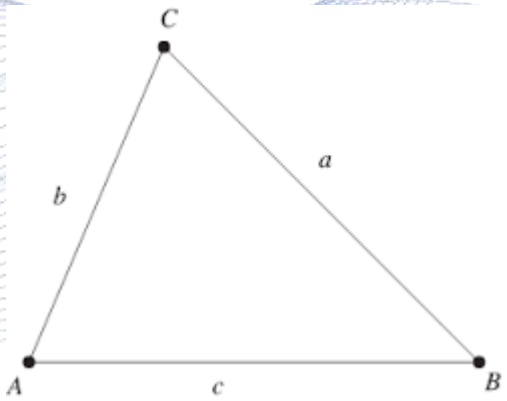
- ***AI Science and Engineering*** (AISE) is the interdisciplinary, scientific study and engineering of ***Artificial Systems*** that mimic and/or surpass ***human intelligence*** in information analysis and ***human interaction*** with the world.

- Core AISE disciplines are:
  - Classical (Symbolic) ***Artificial Intelligence*** (AI),
  - ***Machine Learning*** (ML).

Symbolic AI

Concepts and ideas (ιδέες).

- Concepts are specific mental constructs residing in our mind (brain?) that refine and abstract ideas.
- Examples: ‘Triangle’, ‘Freedom’, ‘Love’.
- ***Concept definition***: Triangle consists of three points connected by 3 straight line segments.

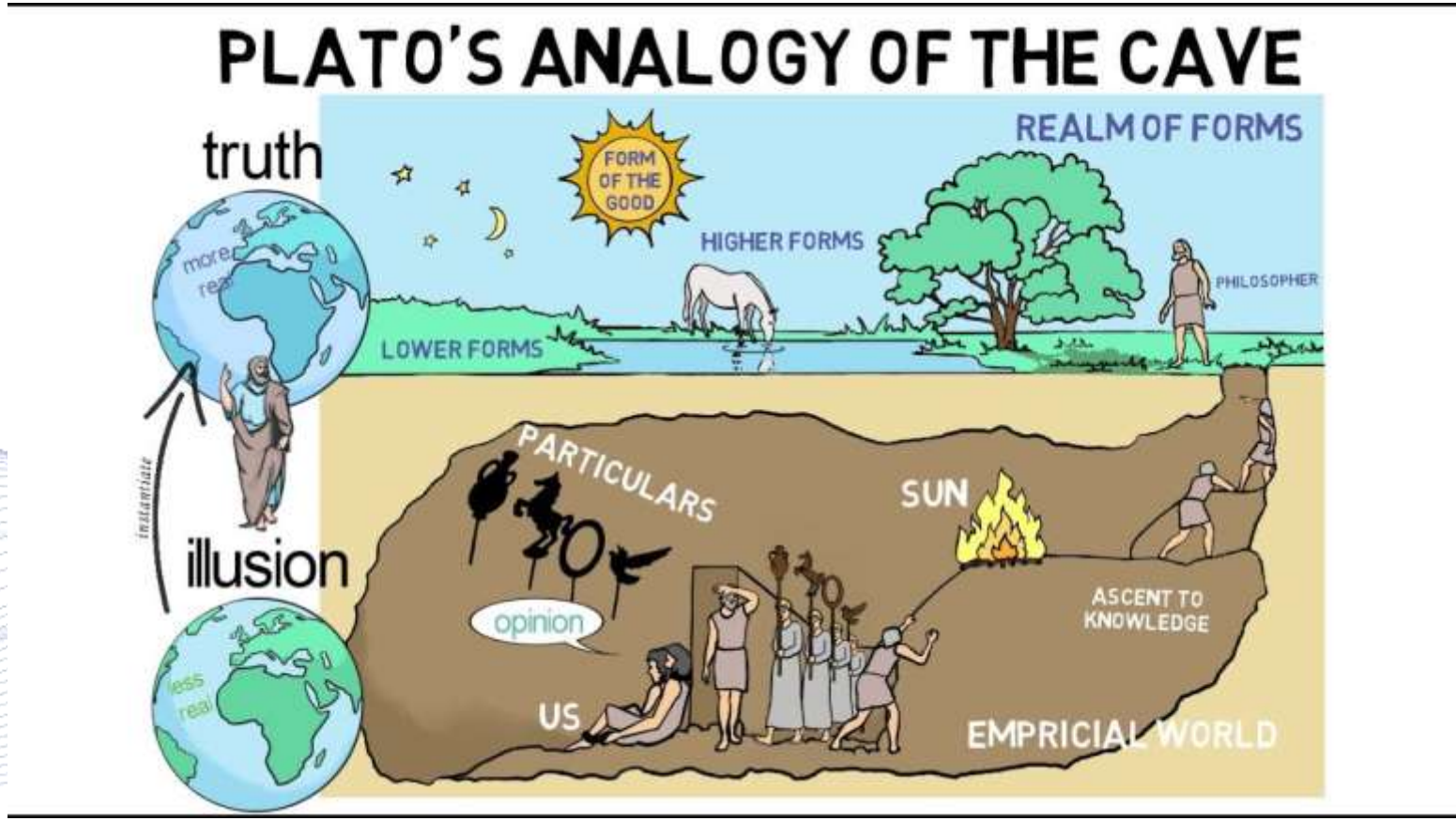


Triangle.

Symbolic AI

Ideas in Philosophy.

- Plato's cave.
- ***Idealism***: reality is a reflection of ideas.
- ***Materialism***: ideas are shadows of matter on itself (brain).



Symbolic AI

- ***Symbolic AI*** operates on concepts and their relations though ***logic*** and ***search***.
- It mimics and simulates high-level human intelligence and ***reasoning***.

- ***Reasoning*** is one of the most complex brain activities.

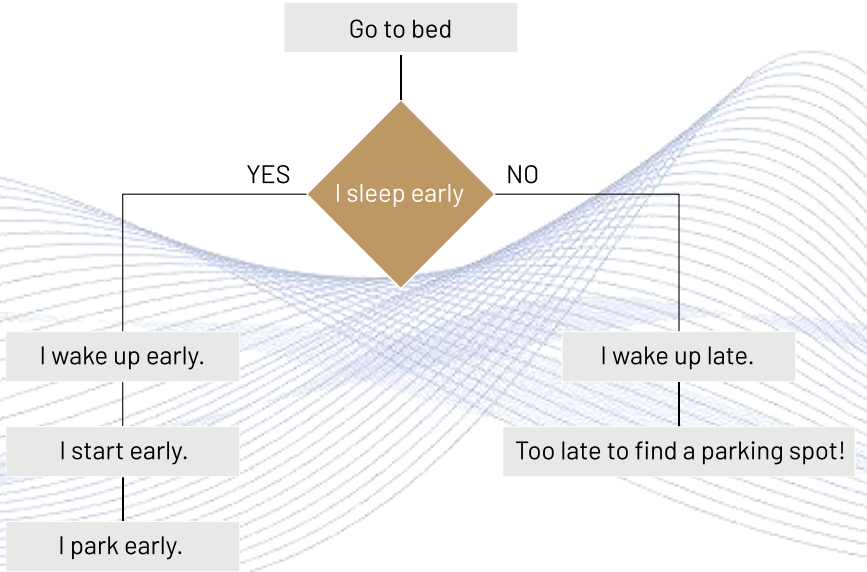
- ***Symbolic AI*** employs Mathematical Logic.

Symbolic AI

- Examples:

  ‘If somebody has high fever and coughs, she/he has flu.’

  ‘If I turn left, I may enter the opposite lane.’



- ***Symbolic AI failed to deliver!***

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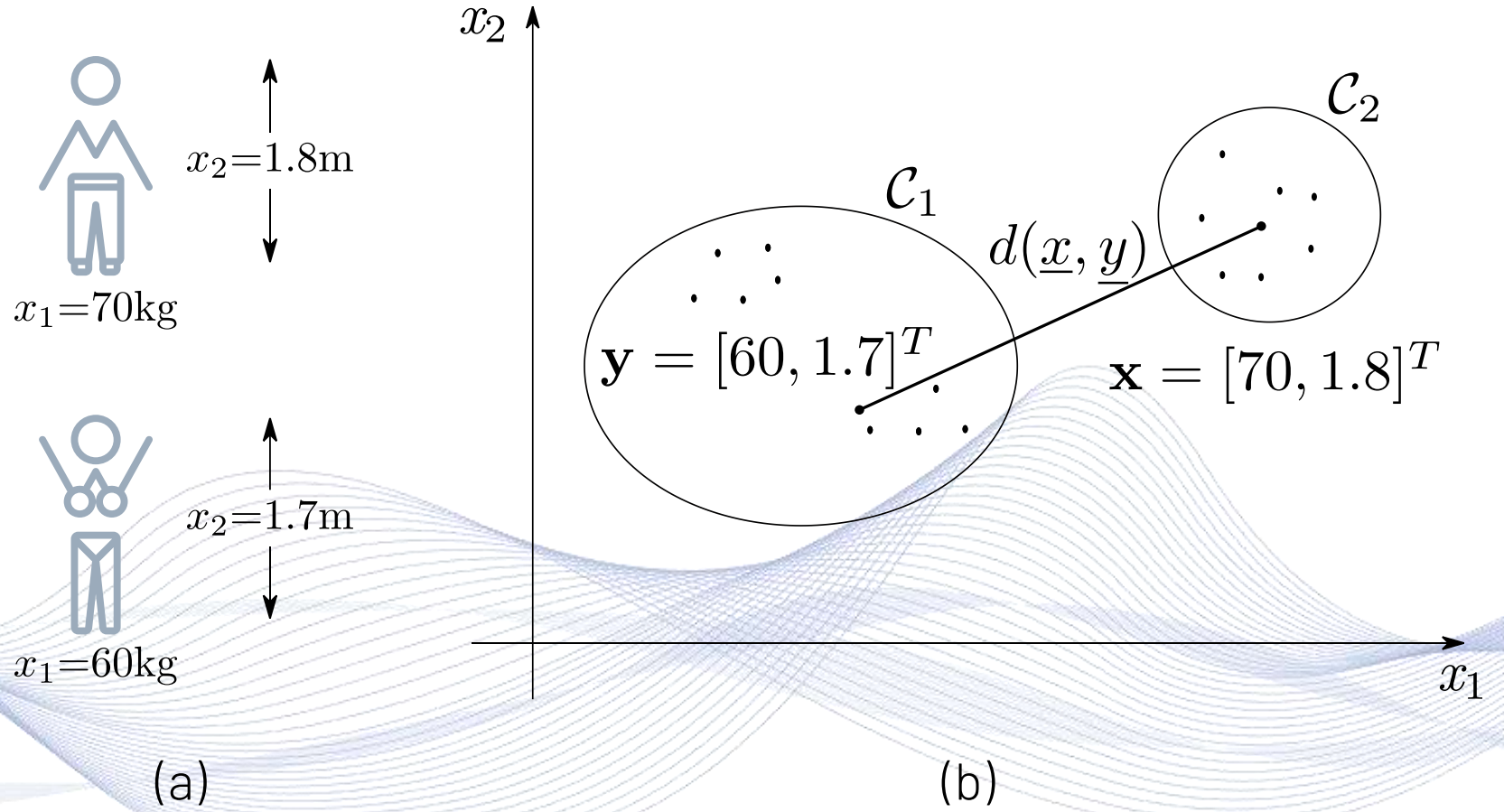
Machine Learning

- ***Data***: measured quantities related to nature and/or human activities.

- ***Data are primarily numbers*** representing object characteristics (***features***).
- ***Measured in bits.***

- ***Data can be organized in vectors.***

Machine Learning



Measuring humans and producing their weight and height vectors.

Machine Learning

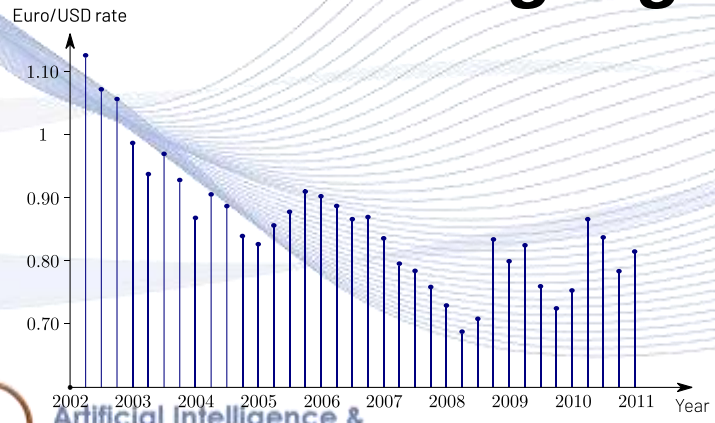
Data can have ***spatiotemporal structure***:

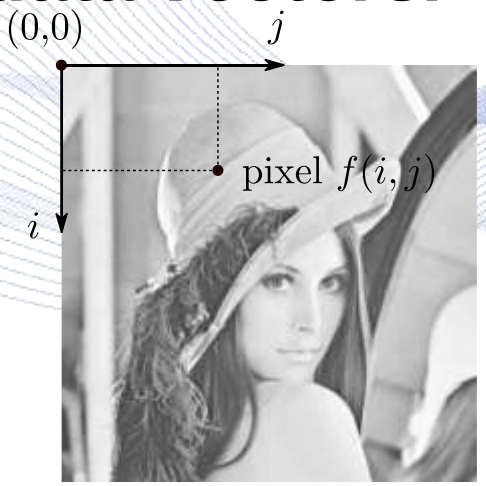
- 1D temporal signals, e.g., music
- 2D spatial signals: images

- Data features can be represented by ***vectors***:

$$\mathbf{x}^T = [x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n].$$

Machine Learning algorithms learn from data vectors.

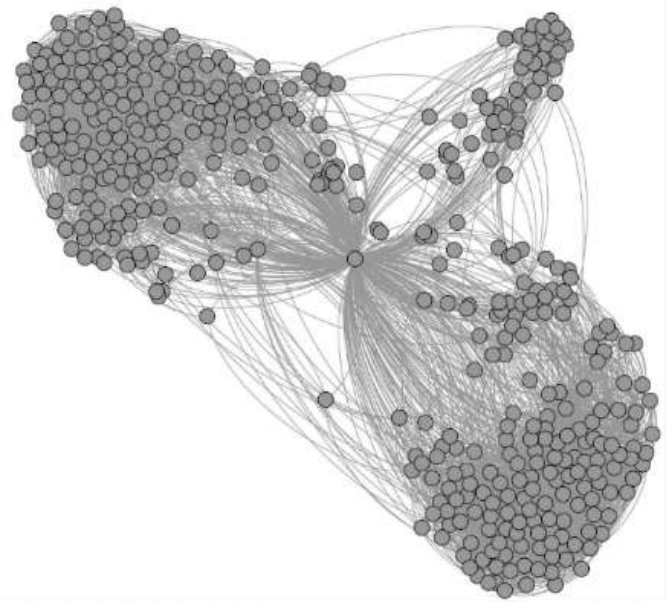




Machine Learning

Citizen communities (graphs)

- Citizens are graph nodes connected by relations (graph edges):
  - friendship, political affiliation, etc.



Facebook friendship graph.

Generative AI

Machine Learning Algorithms that learn data and produce new data.

- ***Large Language Models***
  - Text production
- ***Generative Adversarial Networks, Diffusion Models***
  - Multimedia content creation (images, video, audio, computer graphics)

GAN-generated video.

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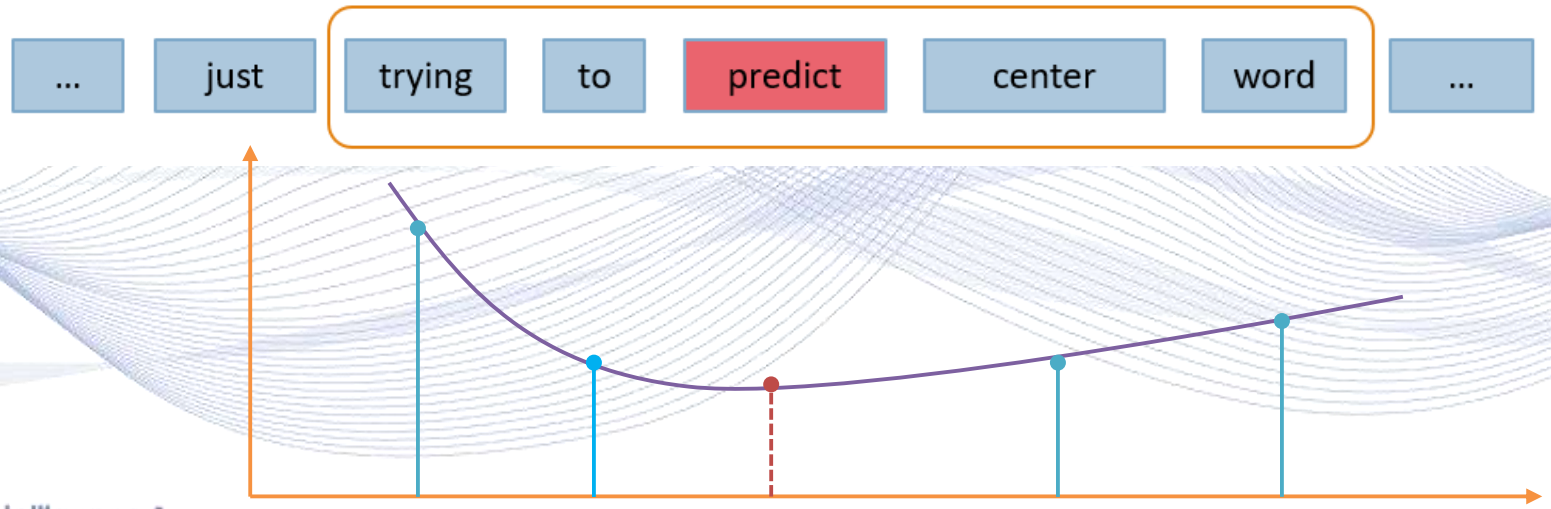
Natural Language Processing

Word embeddings: ***Word2Vec*** (example)

Two-layer NN trained to reconstruct linguistic context of words.

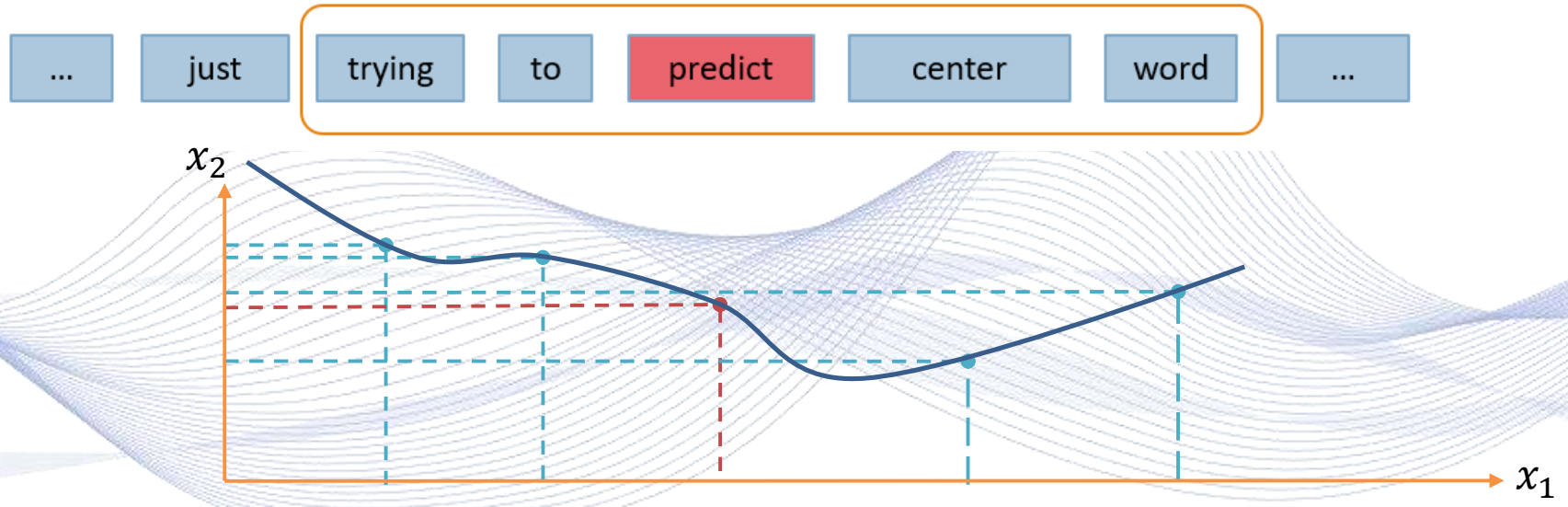
- Training is performed with pairs of context-target words.
- 2 training variations.



Natural Language Processing

Visualization of word prediction in 2D space

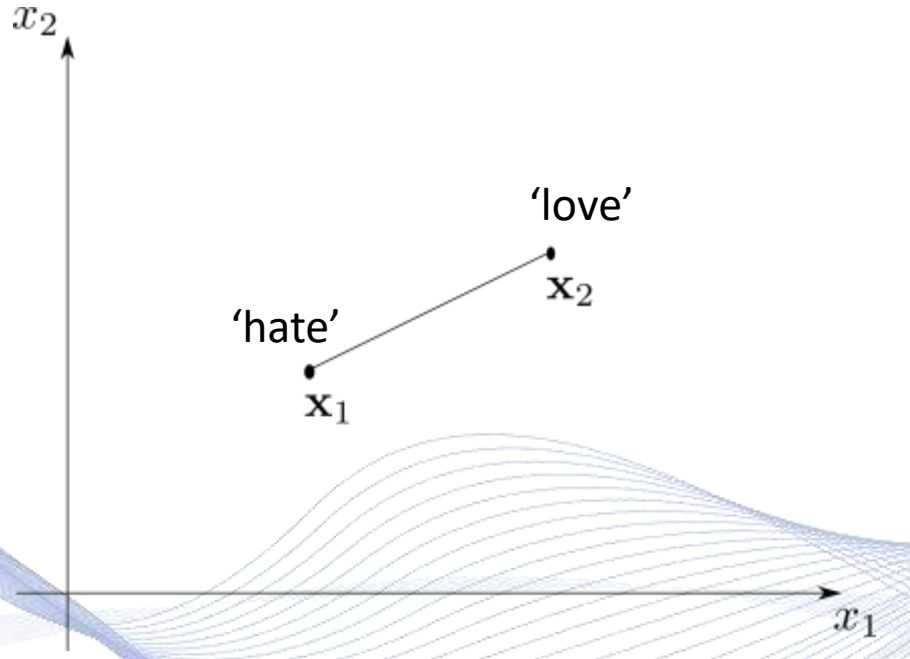
A sentence can be visualized as a curve in the vectorial space over time, connecting all its word embeddings.



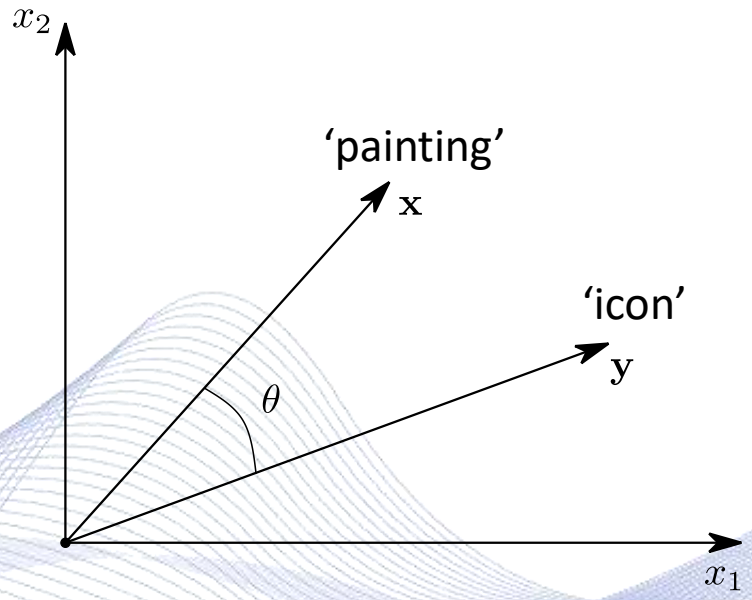
Word trajectory in a 2D vectorial space $[x_1, x_2]$.

Natural Language Processing

Vectors representing words



Distance between two words.

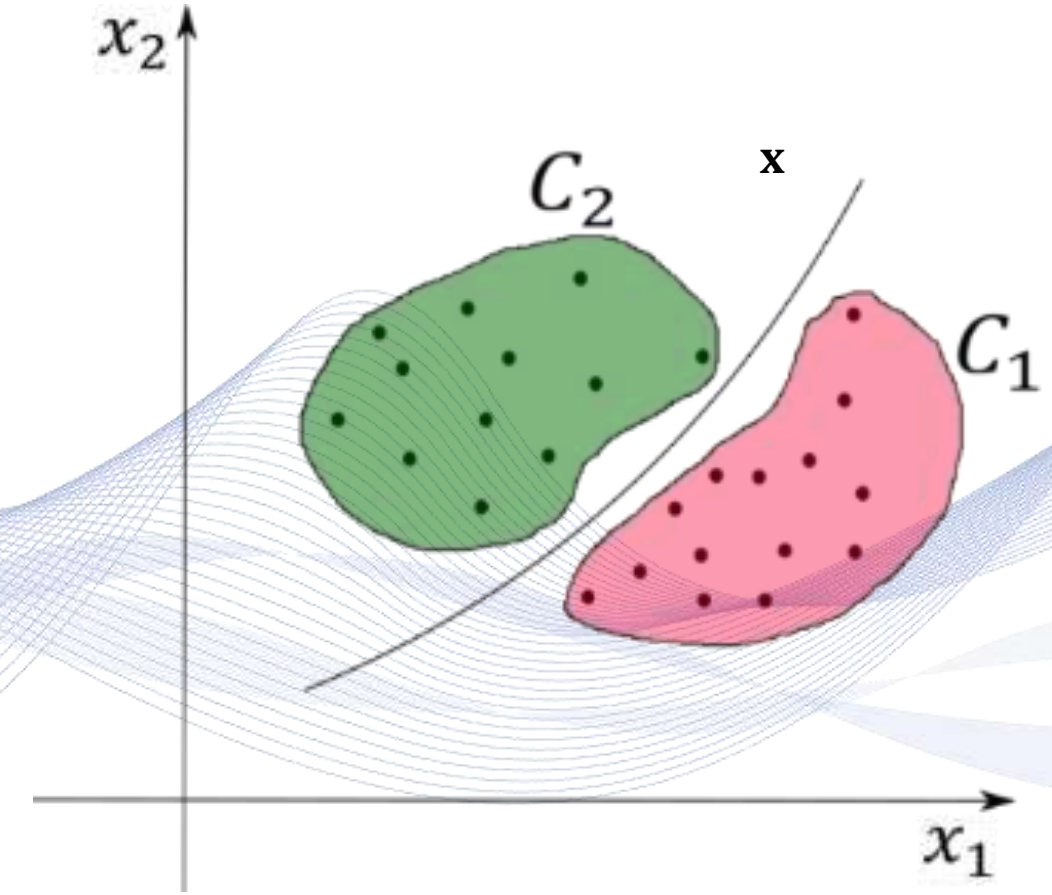


Semantic similarity between two words.

Natural Language Processing

Text Classification

- Does text $\mathbf{x}$ belong to class $\mathcal{C}_1$ or class $\mathcal{C}_2$?



Examples:

- Text sentiment analysis
  - Is the text ‘sad’ or ‘joyful’?
- Author recognition
  - Is a paper authored by a student or by ChatGPT?

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Large Language Models

- ChatGPT is a ***Large Language Model*** (***LLM***) that is fine-tuned from a ***Generative Pre-Trained Transformer-3.5*** (***GPT-3.5***) LLM series, produced by OpenAI.

- An LLM is a ***Deep Neural Network*** (***DNN***) trained to generate smooth text similar to the human-generated one.
- The fine-tuning of the GPT-3.5 is performed using supervised and reinforcement learning with human feedback [OPE2023] .

Large Language Models

The building blocks of LLMs are [AJI2023] :

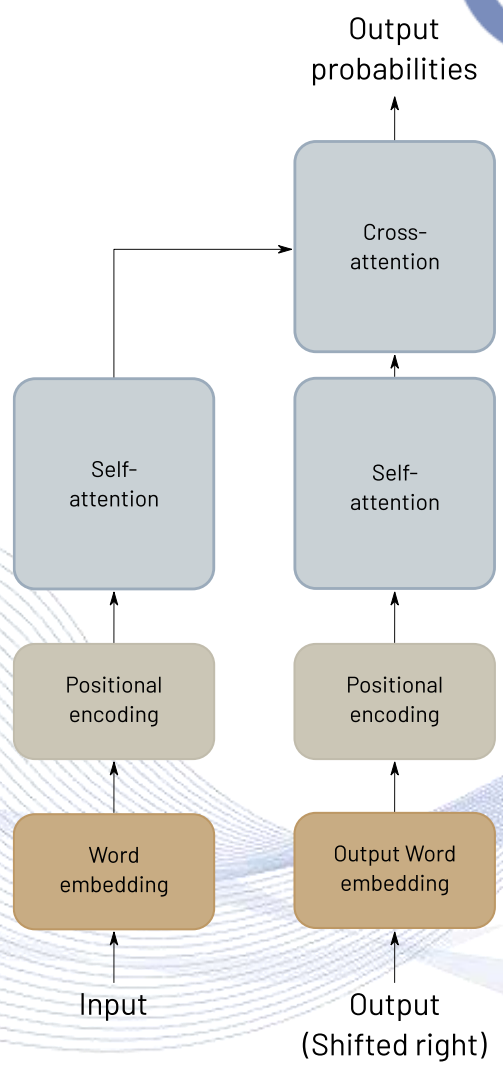
- ***Tokenization***: transforming a text in a series of tokens, e.g.,:
  - ***sub-words, words***.
- Text compression, in order to minimize the size of the encoded token, while retaining the ability to represent well text sequences.

- ***Vector embedding***: Token representation by vectors capturing their semantic meaning in a high-dimensional space.
- Vector embeddings are processed by the NN and are learned during the training.

Large Language Models

Transformers provide data representations based on statistical correlations of input elements (NLP tokens).

- They comprise of the ***encoder*** and ***decoder***.
- ***Self-attention*** weighs the importance of input or output tokens.
- ***Cross-attention*** cross-correlates input and output tokens.

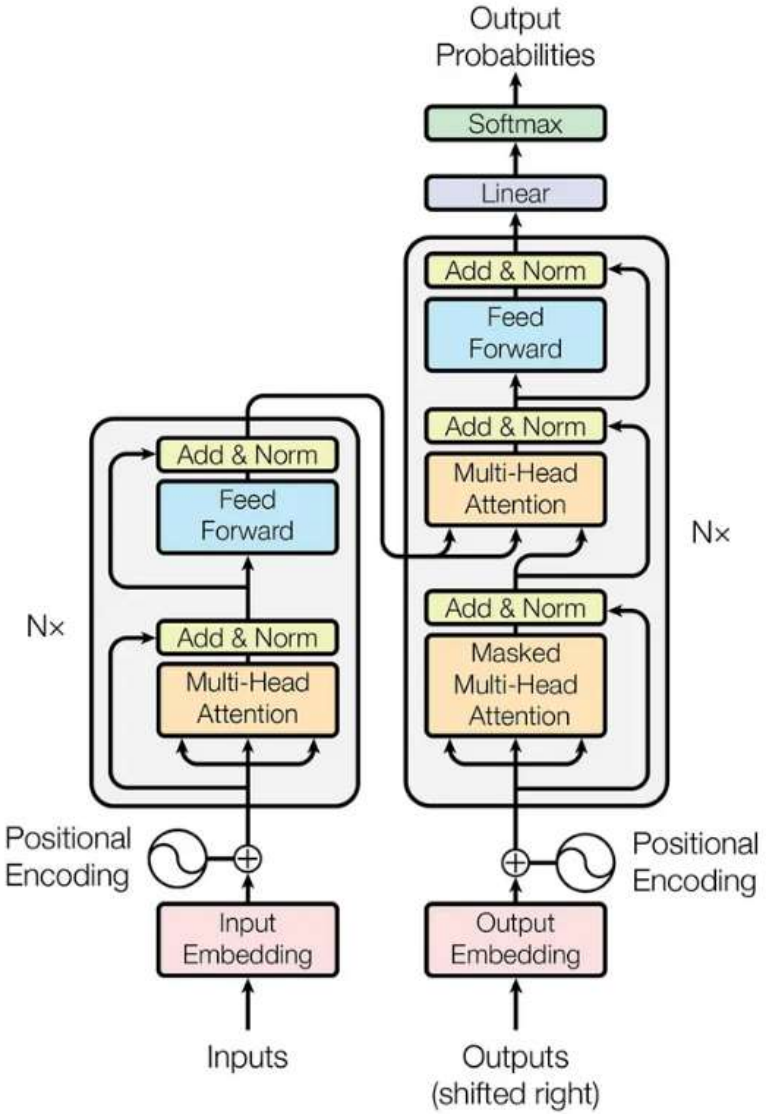


Transformer architecture.

Large Language Models

Transformers

- ***Transformers*** comprise of the encoder and decoder and use the self-attention mechanism to weigh the importance of input elements [VAS2017] .
- GPT-3.5 is a fine-tuned model of the GPT-3, which is a Transformer DNN.



Transformer architecture [VAS2017].

Large Language Models

LLM training and text production example:

- LLMs' reply to the query '***What is the capital of Spain?***' would be '***Madrid***' rather than '***death penalty***', since:
- a) they encountered this semantic association (Spain, Madrid, capital) too many times in their training corpora.
- b) the learned association (Spain, country) helps them disambiguate the meaning of the query word 'capital'.
- ***Such statistical associations may occasionally be out of context, or semantically wrong or completely fabricated.***

Large Language Models

LLM training and text production:

- LLMs search for text patterns and correlations in huge amounts of training data and produce statistically probable output (text).
- They become increasingly better in learning word predictions and relations.
- This is an essential feature in outputting smooth 'human-like' text.
- ***Is Language all we need?***

Large Language Models

LLMs have high expressive and abstraction power.

They are mathematical functions

$$\mathbf{y} = \boldsymbol{f}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

that learn parameters $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ from labeled training text data $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$.

- Their power is in the ***huge number*** of parameters in $\boldsymbol{\theta}$.
- ***Special case of Generative AI.***
- Huge expressive and abstraction power compared to classical linguistic approaches.
- Non-explainable operation (so far).

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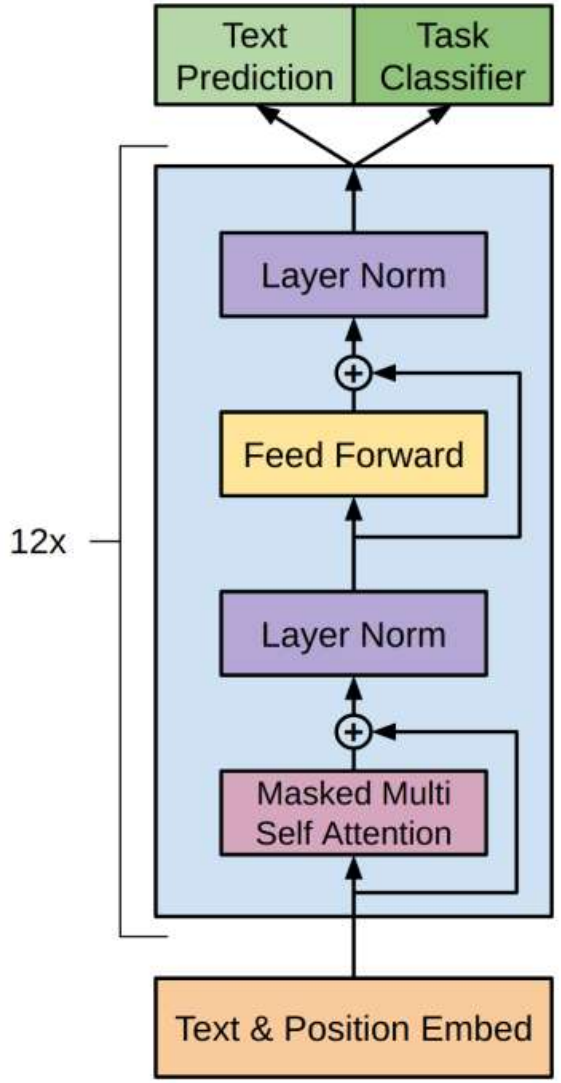
GPT

- The ***Generative Pre-Trained Transformer*** (***GPT***) is a ***decoder-only Transformer*** model that generates one token at a time [RAD2018].

- Semi-supervised training:
  a) Unsupervised pre-training.
  b) Supervised fine-tuning.



GPT architecture [RAD2018].

GPT Training stages

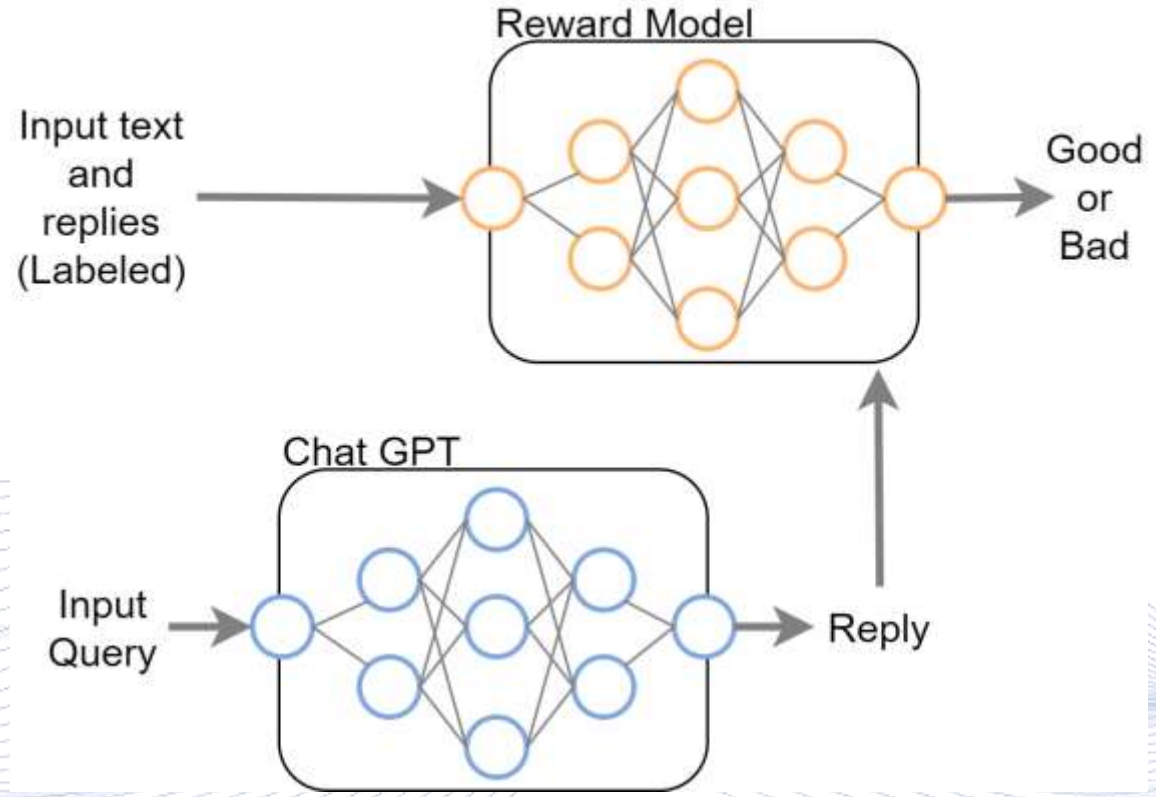
Unsupervised Pre-training stage:

- *Training dataset*: BooksCorpus [ZHU2015].
- *Objective*: Standard language modelling [RAD2018].

Fine-tuning stage:

- *Training dataset*: a labelled dataset corresponding to the fine-tuning task
- *Objective*: GPT model parameters adaptation to the supervised target task and language modelling [RAD2018].

ChatGPT Reward Model



ChatGPT fine tuning methodology.

GPT-4

- GPT-4 is a large multimodal model

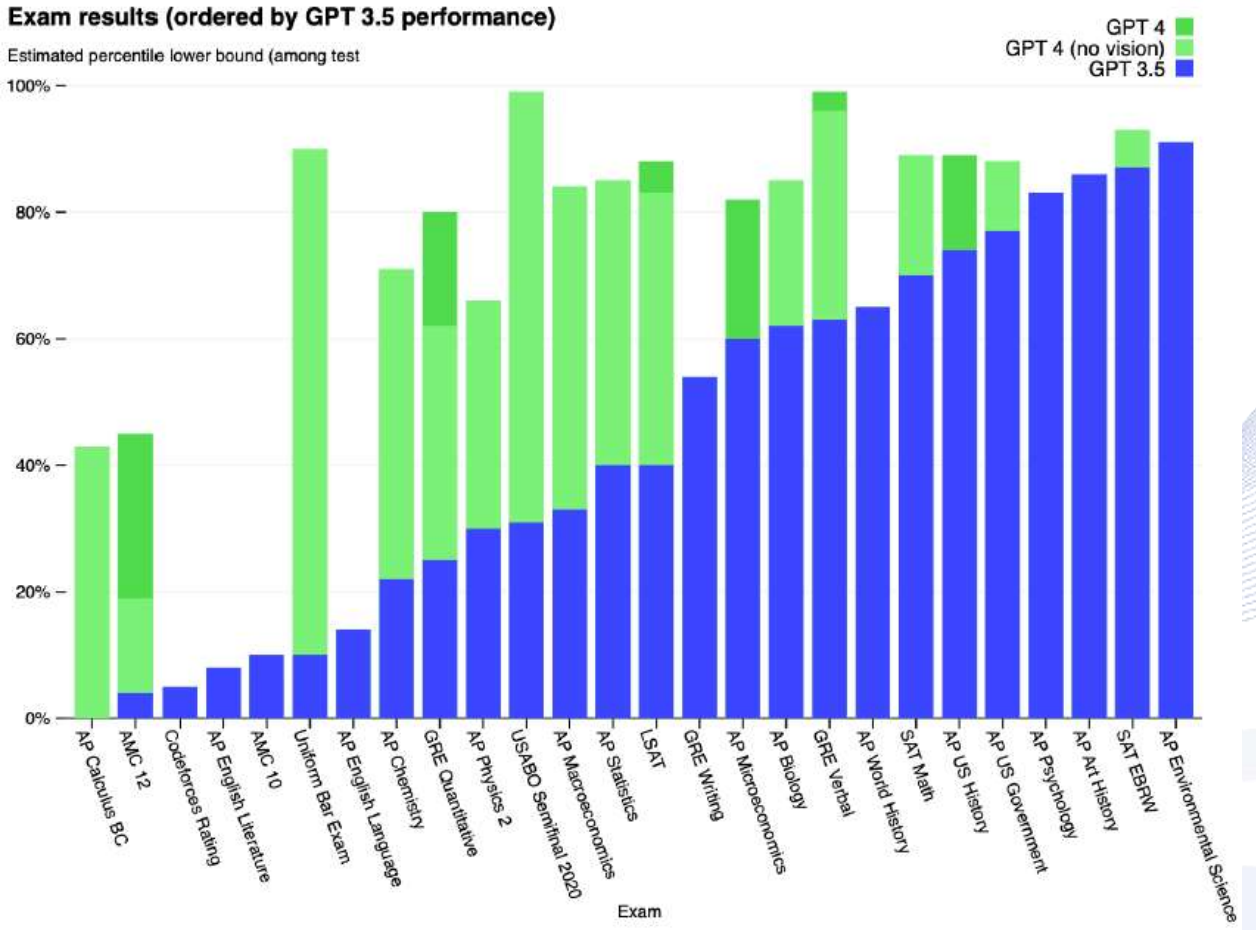
Input: Both images and text

Output: Text

- Trained on next word prediction using public and licensed data.
- Fine-tuned through ***Reinforcement Learning with Human Feedback*** (RLHF) in order to align the models output with the user's intent [OP2023].
- Models capabilities originate from the pre-training process and not the RLHF [OP2023].

GPT-4

- GPT-4 exhibits human-level performance on various professional and academic benchmarks [OP2023].



GPT performance on academic and professional exam [OP2023].

GPT-4 Capabilities

	GPT-4 Evaluated few-shot	GPT-3.5 Evaluated few-shot	LM SOTA Best external LM evaluated few-shot	SOTA Best external model (incl. benchmark-specific tuning)
MMLU [49] Multiple-choice questions in 57 subjects (professional & academic)	**86.4%** 5-shot	70.0% 5-shot	70.7% 5-shot U-PaLM [50]	75.2% 5-shot Flan-PaLM [51]
HellaSwag [52] Commonsense reasoning around everyday events	**95.3%** 10-shot	85.5% 10-shot	84.2% LLaMA (validation set) [28]	85.6 ALUM [53]
AI2 Reasoning Challenge (ARC) [54] Grade-school multiple choice science questions. Challenge-set.	**96.3%** 25-shot	85.2% 25-shot	85.2% 8-shot PaLM [55]	86.5% ST-MOE [18]
WinoGrande [56] Commonsense reasoning around pronoun resolution	**87.5%** 5-shot	81.6% 5-shot	85.1% 5-shot PaLM [3]	85.1% 5-shot PaLM [3]
HumanEval [43] Python coding tasks	**67.0%** 0-shot	48.1% 0-shot	26.2% 0-shot PaLM [3]	65.8% CodeT + GPT-3.5 [57]
DROP [58] (F1 score) Reading comprehension & arithmetic.	80.9 3-shot	64.1 3-shot	70.8 1-shot PaLM [3]	**88.4** QDGAT [59]
GSM-8K [60] Grade-school mathematics questions	**92.0%*** 5-shot chain-of-thought	57.1% 5-shot	58.8% 8-shot Minerva [61]	87.3% Chinchilla + SFT+ORM-RL, ORM reranking [62]

Performance of GPT-4 on academic benchmarks [OP2023].

GPT-4 Limitations

GPT-4 suffers from the same limitations as the previous GPT models [OP2023]:

- Hallucinations.
- Bias in its output text.
- Lack knowledge past 2021 and doesn't learn from its experience.
- There is still a risk of generating harmful advice, buggy code and inaccurate information. This risk has been reduced compared to older models through additional signal in the RLHF.

ChatGPT Capabilities

ChatGPT ***text processing*** capabilities:

- ***Translation***: chatGPT performs well translating in English [BAN2023].
- ***Summarization***: Adequate results (similar to GPT3). However, it is outperformed by SOTA works [BAN2023].
- ***Question Answering***: Near perfect scores [BAN2023].
- ***Sentiment Analysis***: It outperforms supervised SOTA works [SCA2022] and zero-shot multilingual LLM [CAH2022] (evaluation metric: F1 score) [BAN2023].

ChatGPT Capabilities

- ***Dialogue tasks***: ChatGPT generates high quality fluent human-like responses [BAN2023].
- ***Misinformation detection***: ChatGPT detected misinformation at 92% and 73.33% accuracy on covid-scientific and covid-social datasets, containing scientific and social claims related to Covid-19 accordingly [BAN2023].
- ***Code understanding and generation***: ChatGPT achieved higher score on the LinkedIn Python skills assessment than 85% of humans [CFTE].

ChatGPT Limitations

- ChatGPTs responses sometimes sound plausible, while they are ***incorrect or nonsensical*** [OPE2023].
- ChatGPT responses are sensitive to tweaks in input phrasing and prompt repetition [OPE2023].
- Training data bias causes ***excessively verbose responses*** and overuse of certain phrases [OPE2023].
- In translation, it still lacks excellent ability to successfully translate English in other languages [BAN2023].

ChatGPT Limitations

- In the case of an ambiguous query, the model ***guesses what the user intended to say***, rather than ask for clarifying questions [OPE2023].
- ChatGPT sometimes responds to ***harmful instructions or outputs biased answers***.
  - The Moderation API is used to flag certain types of unsafe content [OPE2023].
- ChatGPT has a limited understanding of ***low-resource languages***, due to low training data volume [BAN2023].

ChatGPT Limitations

ChatGPT hallucinations

- Reward functions can induce ChatGPT into hallucinating facts, rather than admitting ignorance.
- Hallucinations can become even more serious when ***human-in-the-loop*** LLM retraining or fine-tuning is employed.
- Users can trigger hallucinated replies, e.g., that ‘the Pope is a pop singer’, as the LLM thinks it maximizes its reward.

ChatGPT Limitations

ChatGPT hallucinations

- Humans make such judgement errors as well:
  - Sensory illusions, wild children's imagination.
- The human mind creates ***mental images*** of the world that map reality, yet are completely artificial, real, but different from reality.
- ***Arts can be considered as a form of creative expressed hallucination.***

ChatGPT Limitations

ChatGPT hallucinations

- In principle, ***Generative AI fabricates imaginary outputs***.
- They may deviate from the training data and 'common human sense'.
- Depending on their ***social use***, we can call them Art or Fake data or Hallucinations.

ChatGPT: Questionmarks

- ***Does ChatGPT have access to external resources? No.***
  - Yet, if suitably trained ChatGPT can provide lots of factual information.
  - If not, what is its ***knowledge storage capacity***?
- ***Should LLMs have access to external resources? Yes.***
  - Knowledge graphs? Algebraic computations (Symbolic Algebra)?
  - This combination has great potential, e.g., in search.

ChatGPT: Questionmarks

- ***Can LLMs provide hints on how human memory works?***
  - Associative memories, Hopfield networks.
  - CNNs can store some training data information.
  - Transformer-based LLMs are based on ***statistical associations***.

- ***Relation between human imagination and ChatGPT hallucination***?
- Kids are particularly good at fabricating facts or stories.

ChatGPT: Questionmarks

- ***Does ChatGPT have explicit reasoning mechanisms***?
  - No, it has been trained as a pure language model.
  - However, its replies ***show*** some reasoning capabilities.
- ***'Text is all we need' to learn reasoning***?
  - Language/text contain many examples of reasoning.
  - Reasoning as a result of learning-by-examples?
  - ***If proven, it is a Nobel-level breakthrough.***
    - It can reconcile Machine Learning and Symbolic AI.

ChatGPT: Questionmarks

Does ChatGPT have explicit reasoning mechanisms?

- Humans learn from their mothers, relatives, and peers how to think, based on countless everyday discussions.
- An eventual LLM ‘inference by example’ capacity may hint towards ways that ***humans learn to think***.

ChatGPT: Questionmarks

Causal, approximate reasoning?

- LLM output (statistical event cross-association):

  'It has repeatedly been observed (or better, has been found in the literature) that plants thrive, when the sun shines'.

- Causal argumentation:

  'Plants thrive when the sun shines, because they use sunlight in their photosynthesis'.

ChatGPT Questionmarks

- ***Do LLM/ChatGPT have abstraction mechanisms?***
  - Their internal structure and functionalities are unknown.
  - Clustering and concept creation? Rule creation?

- ***Can ChatGPT provide explicit language modelling***?
  - Derivation of ***grammar and syntax rules.***

- ***ChatGPT explainability?***

ChatGPT Questionmarks

- ***Do LLMs/ChatGPT have affect?***
  - Absolutely not in the human sense.
  - Yet, it is a disgrace that they can create such an impression to unsuspecting public, when texting like 'I love you'.
  - Machines are very good in understanding certain affect signals, e.g., ***facial expressions***.

LLM criticism

- '*Human intelligence can work well with few data*' (Chomsky, 2023) [CHO2023]: ***completely wrong***.
- The contrary is true: both machine and human learning require massive training, in terms of data, architecture complexity and energy needs.
- ***Is it possible that similar laws govern both machine and human learning?***

LLM criticism

Criticism:

- '*Current LLMs have many deficiencies*',
- '*They do just massive plagiarism*',
- '*They know nothing about particular domains*',
- '*They are not multimodal, e.g., supporting visual perception*' (except GPT-4).

- ***Completely wrong claims***. LLMs are only at the start. Great advances are expected.
- Such nihilistic criticism is similar to the ill-fated criticism of Rosenblatt's perceptron by Minsky and Papert that led to the AI winter at the end of the 1960s.

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LLMs and AI in Education

ChatGPT opportunities.

- LLMs can be used as a new education tool with massive impact in education.
- We have to research how to best use it.

- Its interaction with other teaching modes must be researched.
- Can it be used to trigger creative thinking, while speeding up tedious processes?

LLMs and AI in Education

IT and AI opportunities in education.

- What is the impact of IT and AI in teaching Mathematics?
- What is the impact of LLMs in teaching languages?
- What is the impact of Deep Arts in Arts Schools?

- What is the ***long-term impact of IT and AI*** in human memory?
- Will brain be ‘restructured’ to be, e.g., devoted more to thinking tasks than to memory?
- Can we observe such findings from historical records?

LLMs and AI in Education

UNESCO guidelines [MIA2023].

- Promote inclusion, equity, linguistic and cultural diversity.
- Protect human agency.
- Monitor and validate GenAI systems for education.
- ***Develop AI competencies including GenAI-related skills for learners.***
- Build capacity for teachers and researchers to make proper use of GenAI.
- Promote plural opinions and plural expressions of ideas.
- Test locally relevant application models and build a cumulative evidence base.
- Review long-term implications in intersectoral and interdisciplinary manner.

- ***Less than 10% of 450 schools/universities had policies on GenAI (2023).***

LLMs and AI in Education

Restrictive/regulated use of LLMs in education.

- Plagiarism tools to detect LLM-produced documents.
- Extreme caution when examining student projects
  - ***Very effort–intensive on Professors and students.***
- Extra caution in distance learning environments.
  - ***Return to old close student-Professor relations.***

- Imposition of minimal age to use LLM tools.

ChatGPT in Education

- ChatGPT can change the way we search and retrieve information.
- It has the capacity to help students reply to scientific questions.

- ChatGPT changes:
  - student project execution and examination.
  - educational exams.

ChatGPT in Education

‘Scientific’ capacity of ChatGPT:

- Good at replying factual questions on known topics.
- It has certain capacity to reply mathematical questions.
- It can solve programming exercises very well (e.g., in Python).
- ***Currently, it can neither process nor output diagrams and figures.***

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Morphosis vs Education

- Ancient Greek to the formation of the ideal citizen.
- This process was called *morphosis* (*μόρφωσις*), which means *formation.*
- During morphosis, the citizen was expected to acquire *paideia* (‘*παιδεία*’).
- Its outcome should be a beautiful (physically) and morally perfect citizen (‘*καλός κ’ αγαθός*’).
- Morphosis did not necessary refer to the acquisition of knowledge.
- Knowledge and wisdom were subservient to virtue.

Morphosis vs Education

- The striking meaning of word ‘paideia’: it refers both to ‘child’ and to mental and/or physical suffering.
- Indeed, the formation of a person is always difficult and needs extra effort and pain.
- Latin word educatio: the act of breeding, rearing, or bringing up.
- Education can have different priorities from morphosis.

Morphosis vs Education

- Our society is increasingly based on information and knowledge.
- People must have proper education to handle a data and information flood in an increasingly complex mental world.
- ***Critical thinking*** is exactly what is needed to make them good citizens.
- Society cannot progress without the formation of true knowledgeable (and virtuous) citizens.
- Wrong path: societal evolution to a ***knowledge aristocracy*** (rule of the best and most powerful ones), complemented by an irrational populism.
- Such conditions pave the way to outright ***authoritarian regimes***.

Morphosis vs Education

Wrong paths to education

- Educational Systems geared to skill formation.
- Discount of classical studies.
- Discount of foundational knowledge acquisition:
  - Mathematics, language education.
- Reduction of education time:
  - Bologna system of 3-year BSc studies.
- Too much uncritical focus on technological tools.
- Discount of the conscious effort/pain needed for education.
- ***Nihilism*** and ***anti-intellectualism*** in educational/moral values.
- Erosion of the notion of ***authority in education***.

Morphosis vs Education

Role of web and social media

- ***Nihilism*** and ***anti-intellectualism*** in educational/moral values.
- Erosion of the notion of ***authority in education***.

Role of AI and LLMs

- Availability of new disruptive educational tools.
- Improper use may lead to ***educational confusion***.
- Less desire to get educated due to attack on previously well-paid white-collar jobs.

Morphosis vs Education

Poor education results

- Formation of technicians, rather than citizens/scientists.
- Poor critical thinking.
- Poor language and communication skills.
- Inability to adapt and to acquire new knowledge.
- ***Tendency to irrational thinking and outlying social behavior.***

- ***Major overhaul of all education levels is needed!***

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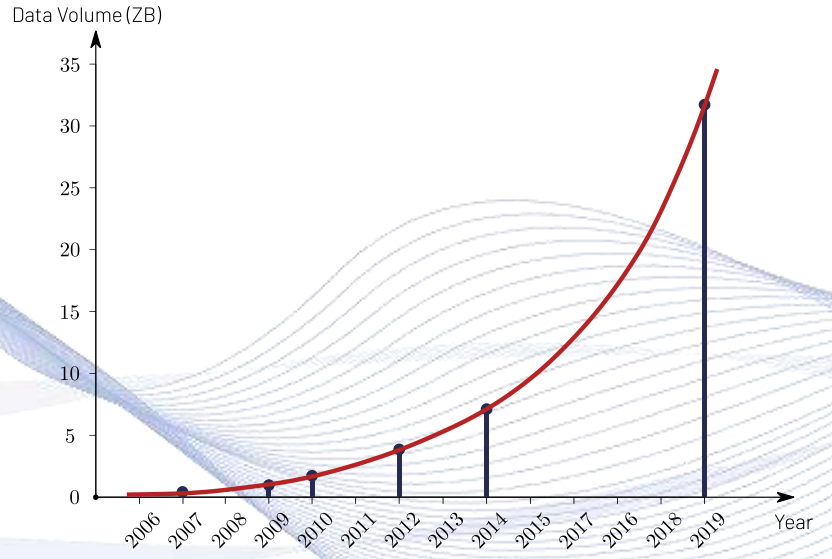
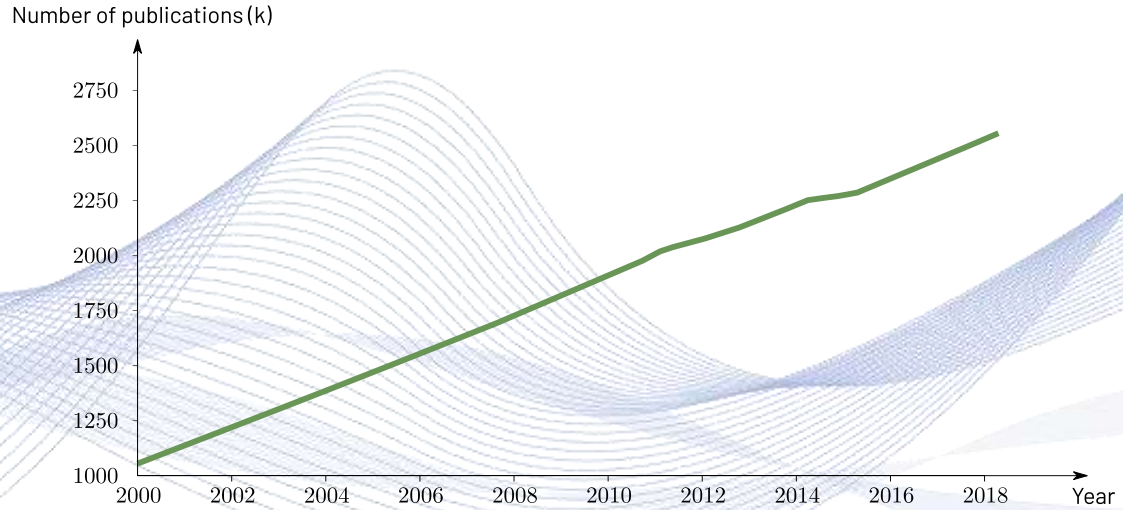
Citizen Morphosis

Information Society

- Exponential increase of data/information,
- Linear increase of knowledge.



Data volume increase in past decade.



Global research output (publication) growth.

Citizen Morphosis

Information and Knowledge Society

- Information society: exponential increase of data/information, linear increase of knowledge.
- Knowledge society: exponential increase of knowledge?
- AI, IT and ***citizen/scientist morphosis*** are our only hope to have a smooth transition from the current Information Society to a Knowledge Society.
- Else, humanity may face a catastrophic social implosion, if proven unable to advance and pass knowledge to new generations (see ***start of Medieval Times***).

Citizen Morphosis

Citizen morphosis (rather than education) emphasizes the need for conscious citizens:

- with ***critical thinking, communication precision skills, imagination, and emotional intelligence;***
- being able to understand, adapt, and ultimately harness the tremendous new technological and economic possibilities and employment prospects.
- Such a level of education is sought after today in many job positions internationally.

Citizen Morphosis

Major overhaul of education at all levels to master knowledge development and uptaking needs.

- The need for such education permeates all levels of education and all social strata.
- A ***1/3-2/3 society***, where 1/3 of the population understands and benefits from scientific progress, while the remaining 2/3 lags, being impoverished and technophobic, is simply not sustainable.
- Need to educate women, minorities and Global South to improve the global education level.

Citizen Morphosis

The ***basic AI and IT concepts*** are simple and can be taught at all educational levels:

- Data clustering, similarity, classification etc.
- Educational readjustment for their teaching by ***rearranging the curriculum of Mathematics and Informatics***.
- A (partial) mathematization of education is inevitable.
- It is not certain that it is feasible, given the traditional separation of the sciences and the humanities.

Citizen Morphosis

- ***Classical studies*** are also an ideal tool for developing critical thinking and precision.
- They provide a solid basis for ***Ethics, Legal and Social Implications*** (ELSI) knowledge.

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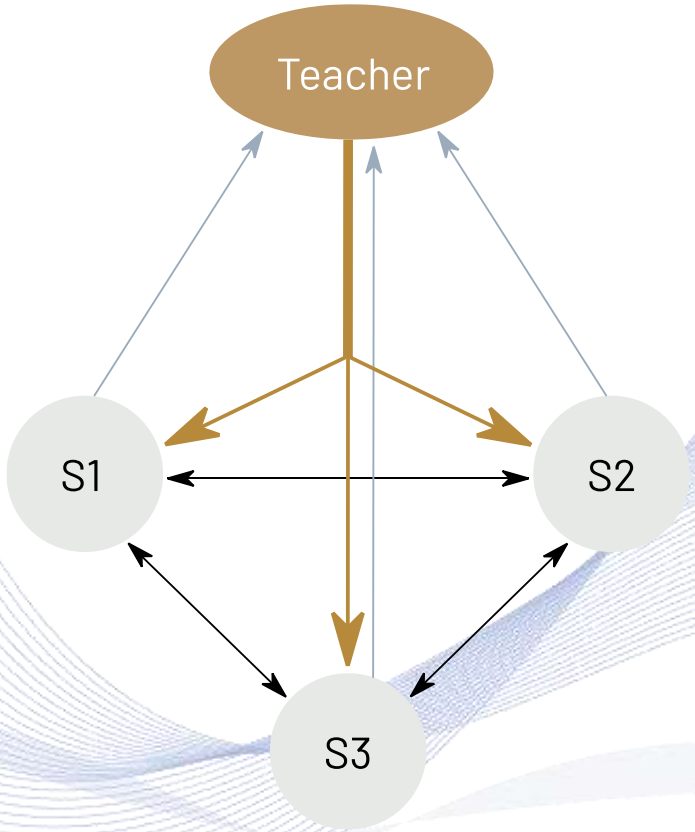
Educational Systems Modeling

Knowledge/information flow.

- Information sources and sinks.
- Teacher/student communication.
- Inter-student communication.
- In-class ***consensus building***.
- Role of books and on-line educational material.
  - Self- and on-line education.
- ***Dialogic education***.
  - Costly and time-consuming.
  - Special role in AI-enabled education.
  - ***Education for dialog***.



Knowledge/information flow.

Educational Systems Modeling

- Many different education environments:
  - In-class, synchronous/asynchronous distance learning.

- Distance learning environments:
  - Cheap alternative.
  - Identity and accreditation issues.
  - Poor dialog and consensus building.
  - Poor inter-student communications.

Educational Systems Modeling

Old educational issues in a new setting

- Discipline and sense of purpose in education:
  - E.g., role of elementary arithmetic routines/algorithms?
  - Why memorizing knowledge/information anymore?
- Role of technical (multimedia) aids
  - Illustrative and captivating student imagination.
  - Role in abstract thinking and concept creation?
  - Is fun enough to educate people?
  - ***Recent studies are critical on technical aid role in education.***
- Role of on-line information flood
  - Great for fast knowledge access and for bridging ***Digital Divide***.
  - Danger of ***student overconfidence*** and of ***eroding education authority***.

Educational Systems Modeling

Merging human and machine learning methodologies

Learning-by-examples methodology:

- Classical Machine Learning approach
- Is it viable in human learning vs, e.g., rule learning?
- Negative or positive effects in abstract thinking and generalization?

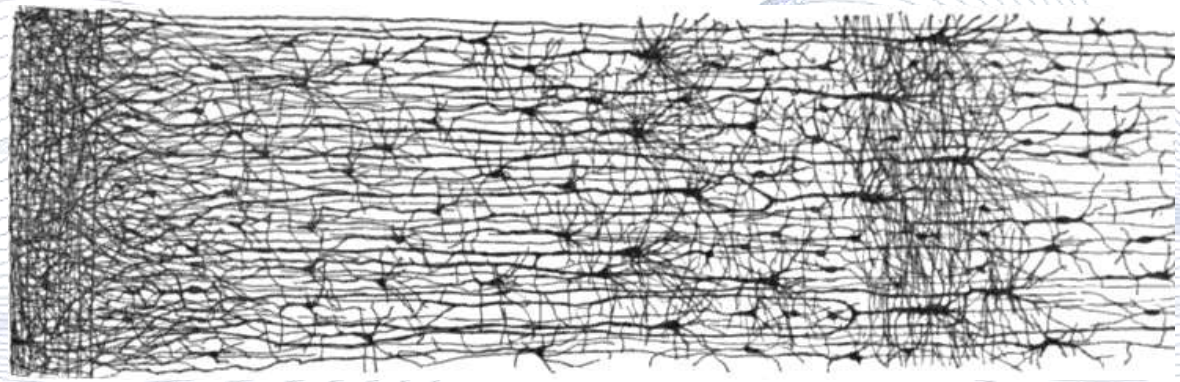
Learning-by-Education framework:

- Mimicking in-class human education having teacher and student machine nodes.
- Important role of teacher as knowledge source.
- When used in Machine Learning:
  - Both teacher and student performance is improved.

Learning Theory

Networks

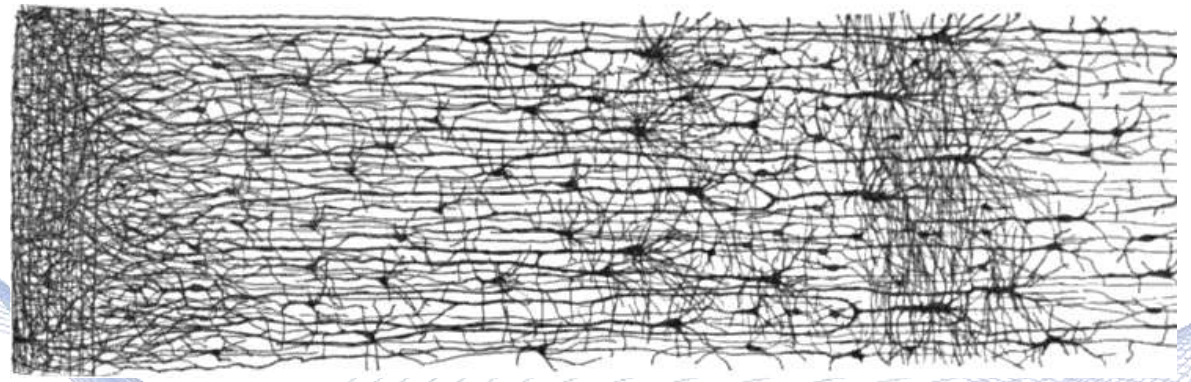
- The human body is a huge biological cell network.
- ***The human brain is a huge biological neural network.***
- Society is a human (person) network.
- Deep Artificial Neural Networks (DNNs) are big networks.



Biological Neural Network
(https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cerebral_cortex)

Learning Theory

- Is ***network complexity*** the basis of both the biological and artificial intelligence?



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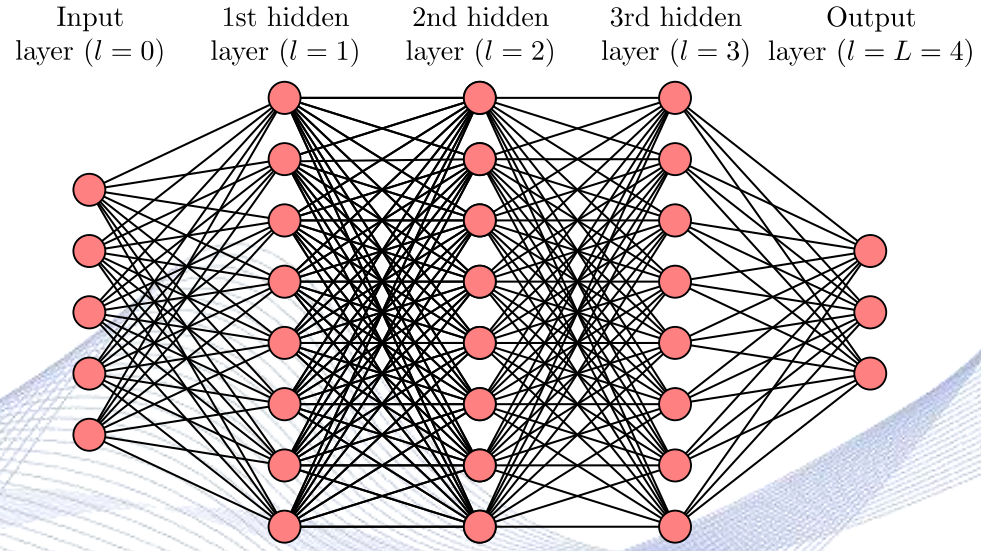
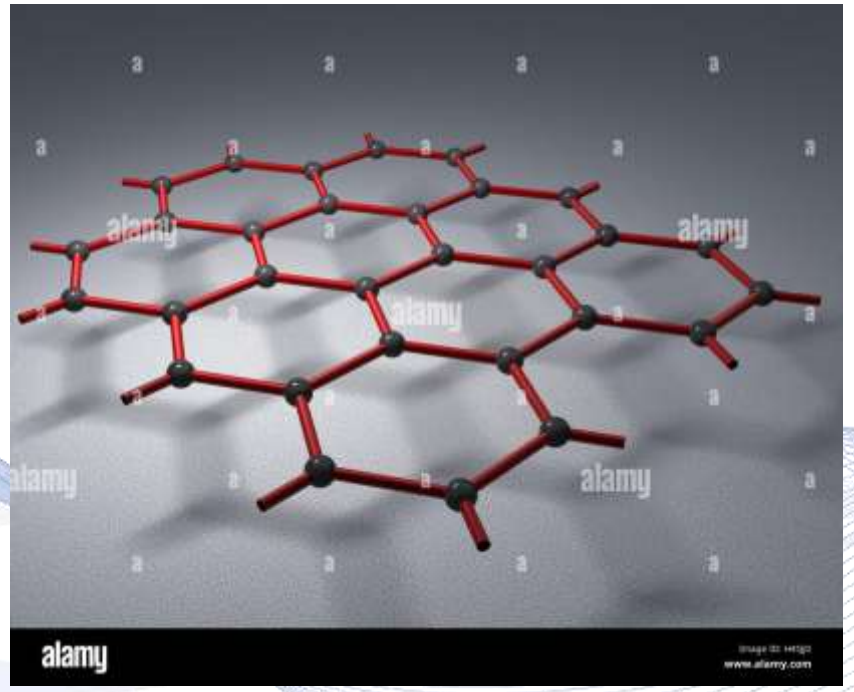


Multilayer perceptron.

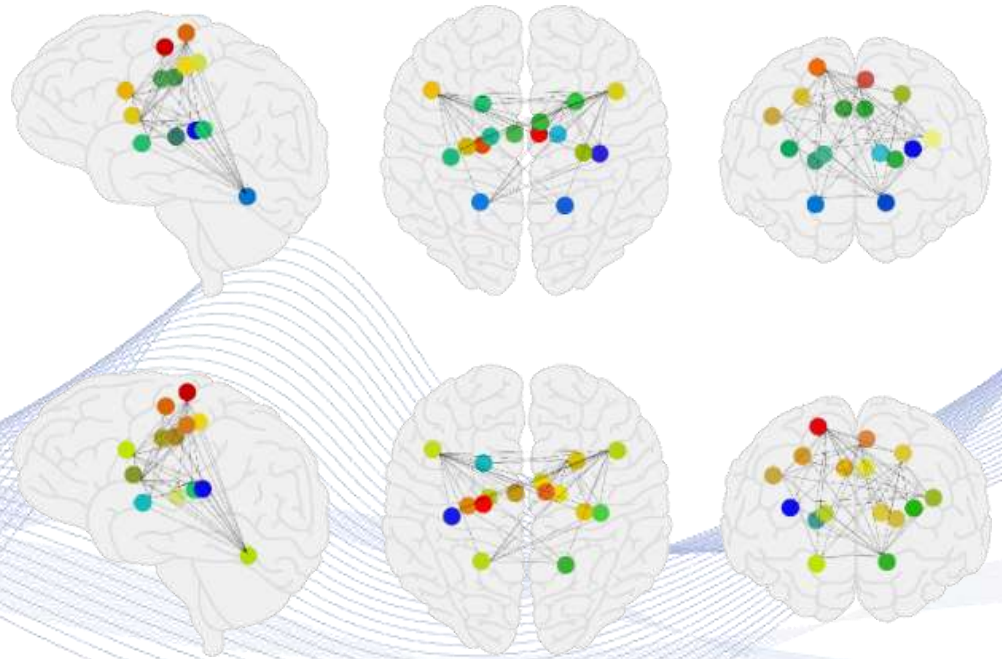
Learning Theory

How can we define system complexity?

- Graph complexity.



Graphene atom grid.



Brain speech graphs.

Learning Theory

How can we define system complexity?

- Graph complexity measures.

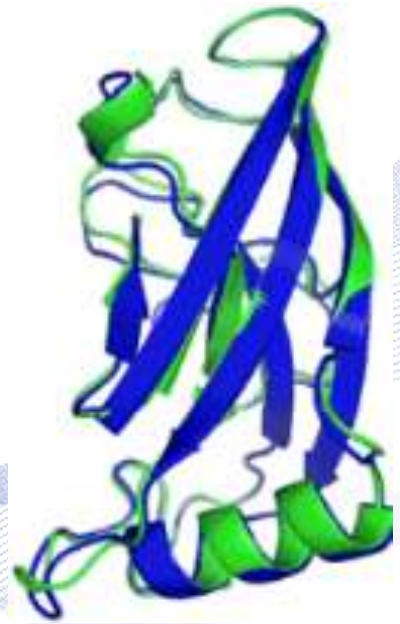
- What about dynamic system complexity?
  - Recursive/feedback systems.
  - Chaotic systems.

- Measuring ***functionality complexity***.
- Correlation between system and functionality complexity.

Learning Theory

Entropy

- Can information entropy serve as a measure of complexity?
- Can we measure matter entropy [VOP2021]?
  - Matter can be encoded using 6×10^{80} bits?
  - Information encoded in each elementary matter particle:1.509 bits?
- Relation between information entropy and thermodynamic entropy?
- ***Do we live in a Matrix-like simulated Universe?***



Learning Theory

Law of Complexity

- Is ***matter/system complexity*** the basis of life and intelligence?
- Necessary and sufficient condition?
- Complexity measures?
- ***Why live matter and social complexity ever increases?***
- Contrast to the 2nd thermodynamic law (***thermal death***).
- ***Does non-living matter have complexity?***

Learning Theory

Complex system theory

- A complex system, e.g., life, intelligence, society, man-made environment can be modelled as function:

$$\mathbf{y} = \boldsymbol{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{W}).$$

- ***Biology***, $\mathbf{x}$: trigger (input), $\mathbf{W}$: genotype,

  $\mathbf{y}$: phenotype.

- ***Neuroscience***, $\mathbf{x}$: stimulus, $\mathbf{W}$: brain structure,

  $\mathbf{y}$: percepts.

- ***Machine Learning***, $\mathbf{x}$: input, $\mathbf{W}$: DNN structure and parameters, $\mathbf{y}$: output.

Learning Theory

Learning theory tasks

- During learning, we try to optimize system (e.g., brain, or DNN) structure $\mathbf{W}$, so that the system behaves as instructed:

$$\mathbf{y} = \boldsymbol{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{W}).$$

- ***Optical character recognition.*** $\mathbf{x}$: input image  , output $\mathbf{y}$: character label 'Alpha'.
- ***Arithmetic.*** $\mathbf{x}$: input '1+2'), output $\mathbf{y}$: number '3'.

System and Matter Complexity

Learning by examples: countless repetition of input $\mathbf{x}$, so that system structure $\mathbf{W}$ learns to produce the correct output $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$:

$$\mathbf{y} = \boldsymbol{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{W}).$$

- ***DNN learning theory***. During repetition, it minimizes error function $\min_{\mathbf{W}} J(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}, \mathbf{W})$.
- ***Human learning***. During repetition, student error function $\min_{\mathbf{W}} J(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}, \mathbf{W})$ is minimized with ***teacher's supervision***.

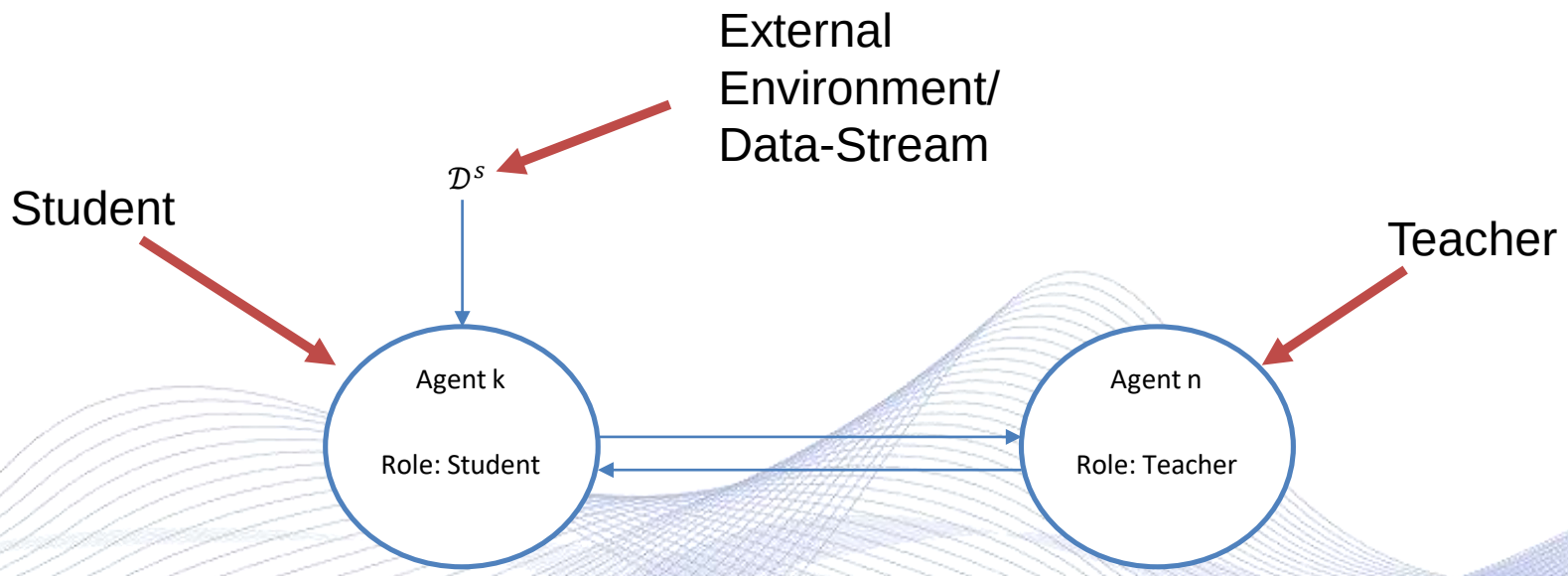
Learning-by-Education Framework

Teacher-Student Learning for Humans.

Student question mode: The student asks for tutoring on unknown data stimuli coming from the external environment.

Learning-by-Education Framework

DNN Teacher-Student Learning.



The student DNN asks for DNN teacher tutoring on unknown inout data.

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- Educational Sciences had a good exposure to IT, primarily as IT technology users.
- They had poor exposure to Mathematics.
- Currently, the Humanities (including Educational Sciences) face the greatest pressure from LLMs and AI.
- The ***mathematization of classical subjects*** (e.g., Linguistics, Sociology) has advanced significantly.
- Alternative? Creation of Departments for '***Educational Engineering***' or '***Social Engineering***' in Science/Engineering Schools.

AI and University Education

Is the combination of Humanities and AI doable?

- The distinction between Humanities and Natural Sciences/Engineering persists in most countries.
- Women prefer Humanities than Natural Sciences/Engineering.
  - Only 25-30% of engineers are women.

AI and University Education

The distinction between Humanities and Natural Sciences/Engineering has deep historical roots.

- Humanities were meant to be for the gentry (ruling class) [BER1946].
- They are very old disciplines.
- Emphasis on character rather than knowledge:
  - ‘καλός κ’ αγαθός’ (in Ancient Greece)
  - Liberal education of ‘Piano and French’ style.

AI and University Education

The distinction between Humanities and Natural Sciences/Engineering has deep historical roots.

- Natural Sciences/Engineering are much younger (16-19th centuries).
- They facilitated the industrial revolution.
- They are much closer to profit making and burgeois ideology.

AI and University Education

Does the distinction between Humanities and Natural Sciences/Engineering have biological roots?

Contrasting arguments:

- There is no evidence that women are worse than men in mathematics.
- Women tend to have inclination to humanities, even if they do well in Mathematics (D. Kimura).
- Most people do not perform well in both linguistic and mathematical tests.

Exception: Few people are excellent in all disciplines.

AI and University Education

New Language Theory and Education Methodologies

- Understanding of LLM performance.
- Development of new Education Science methodologies.
- Teaching of this new theory and methodology.
- Can we develop a ***General Education Theory*** for both human and machine learning?

- ***We are just at the start!***

AI and University Education

Creation of Departments for '***Educational Science and Engineering***' in Schools of Arts and Humanities.

- Groundbreaking proposal.
- The exact name or form is not important, as long as it serves the transfer of mathematical and programming skills to arts and humanities students.

AI and University Education

Alternatives:

- Introduction of 2-3 obligatory Mathematics and Computer Science courses in each Liberal Discipline.

- Double BSc/MSc degrees ‘X+AI’
  - X: any Liberal Discipline (major).
  - AI minor

AI and University Education

Essential CS courses for AI education (minor in Liberal Studies):

- Mathematical Analysis
- Linear Algebra
- Probabilities and Statistics
- Signals and Systems
- Programming
- Machine Learning/Pattern Recognition
- Neural Networks
- Natural Language Processing.

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