

Current Trends in Artificial Intelligence Research, Future Prospects, and Opportunities

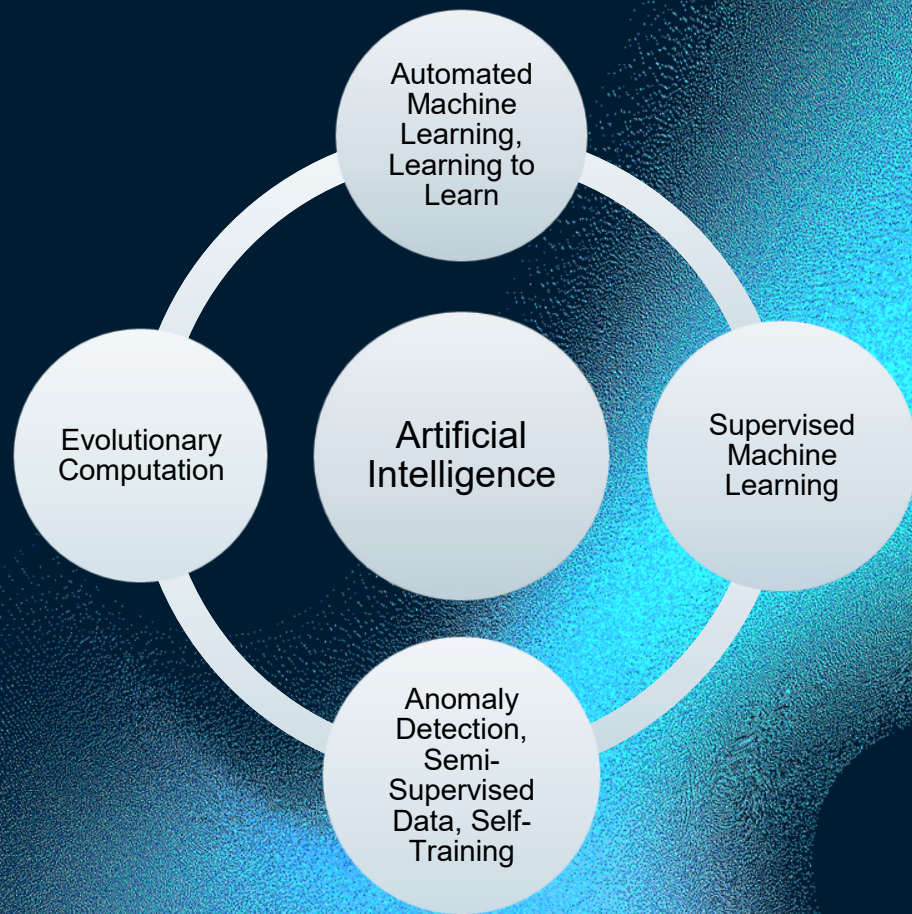
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What is the MCML

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Part of German and Bavarian government's AI strategy

One of six national AI competence centers in Germany
that is permanently funded since July 2022



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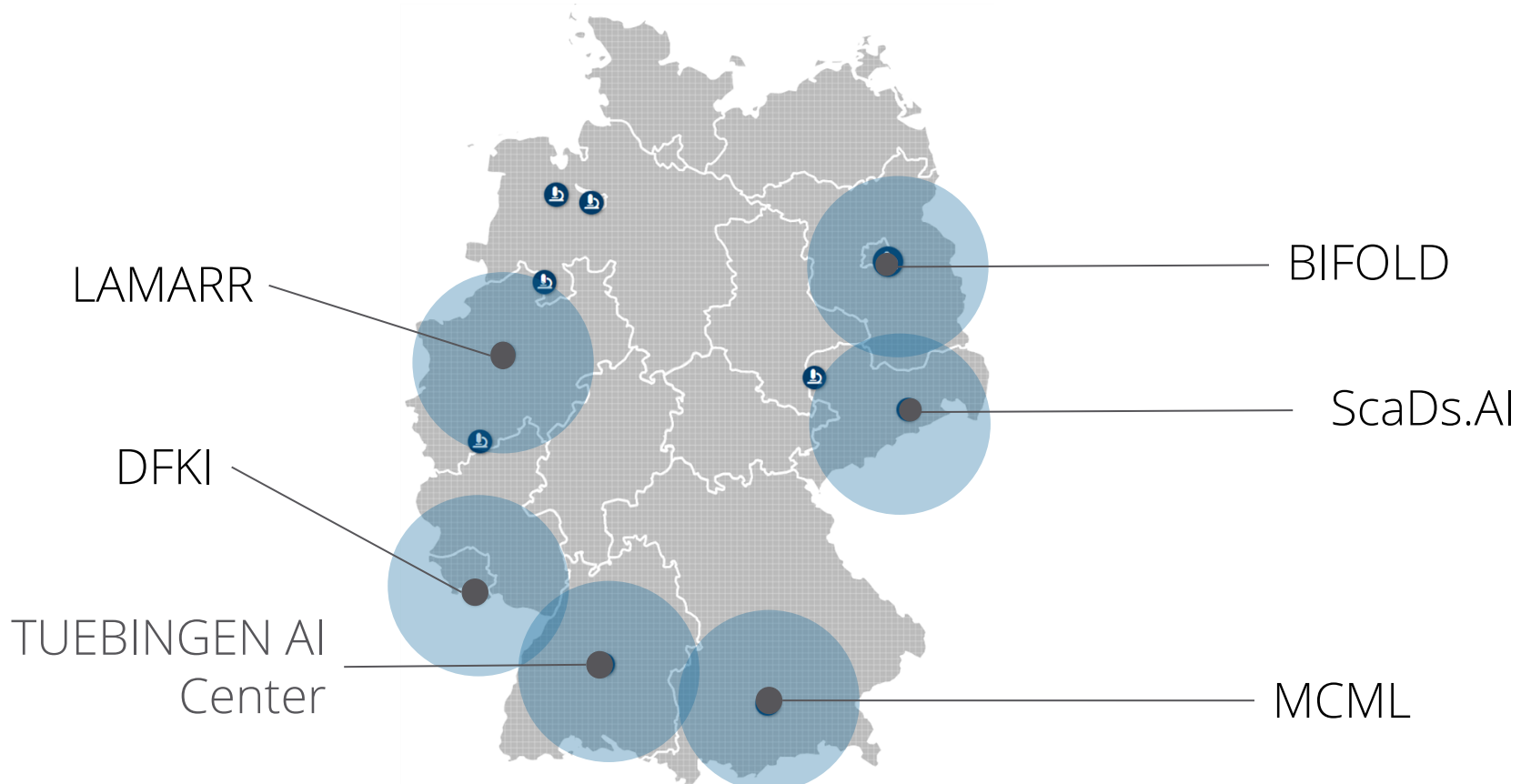
Our mission

We unite leading researchers in Germany, to strengthen international, national and regional competence in the field of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence.

We make Machine Learning potential accessible to users from science, industry and society.



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MCML in numbers



Several of world leading researchers in the field of AI/ML - our principal investigators - are part of the MCML

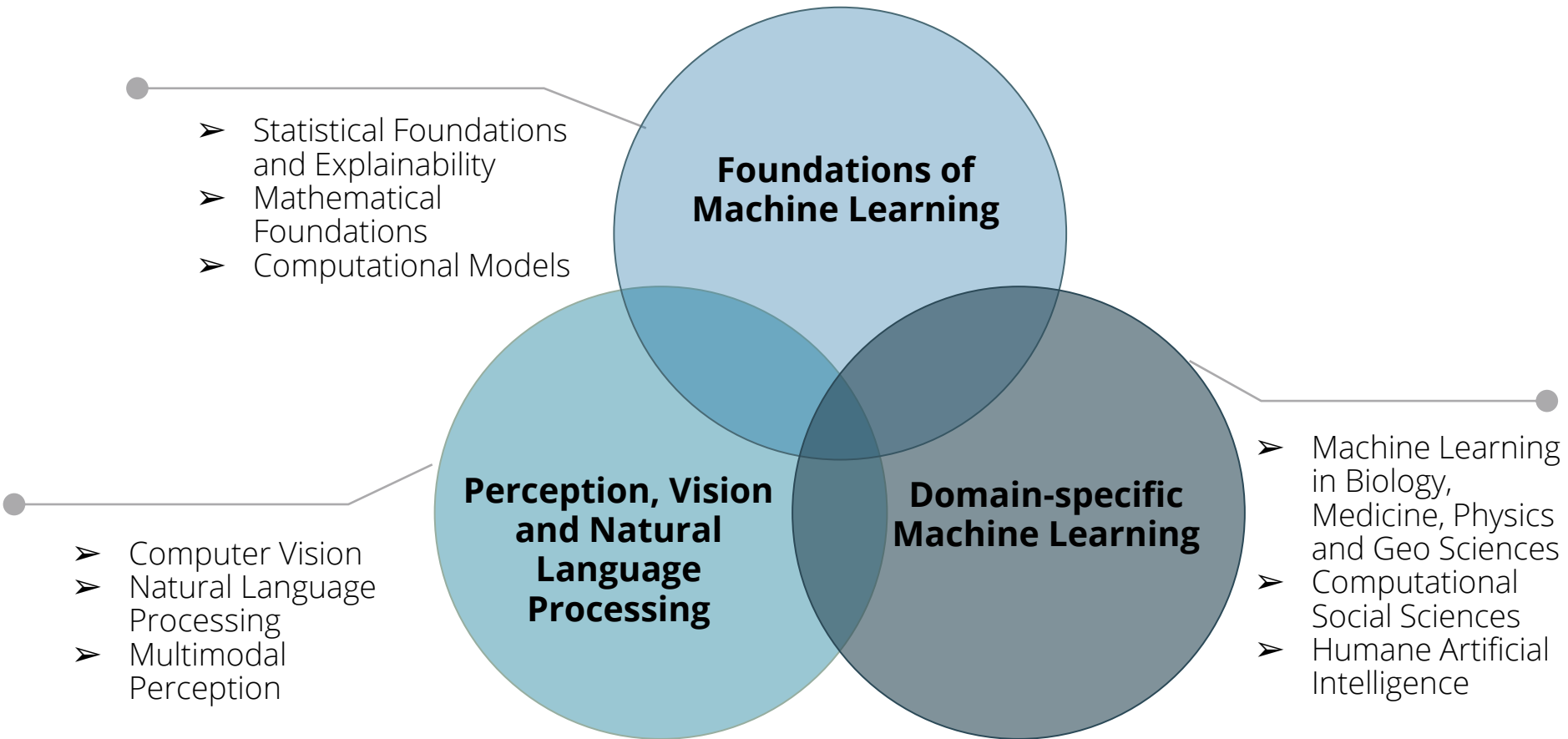
Top ranked publications have been achieved by MCML-researchers

Many talented and motivated PhD students are being trained and educated at the MCML

A futuristic server room with glowing blue data lines and server racks. The scene is a long, narrow aisle between rows of server racks. The racks are dark with glowing blue lights and numerous thin, wavy lines of light that appear to be data streams or fiber optic connections. The floor is a dark, reflective surface with a grid pattern. The overall atmosphere is high-tech and digital.

The research areas of the MCML

Three research areas



**We transfer
science in
the field of
AI into
industry
and society**

The background of the slide features a blue-tinted, high-angle photograph of a busy hallway. Numerous silhouettes of people are captured in motion, walking away from the camera. The floor is highly reflective, creating clear, elongated reflections of the individuals. The overall atmosphere is one of a modern, active environment, likely a corporate or academic setting.

Artificial intelligence and where to find It



- Profile picture for the workshop flyer
- Only low-quality picture from a website
- Insufficient quality for the flyer
- Use software tool based on AI to increase quality



- Face recognition
- Charging behavior
- Social media
- Spell checking
- Translation
- Web search
- Digital assistants

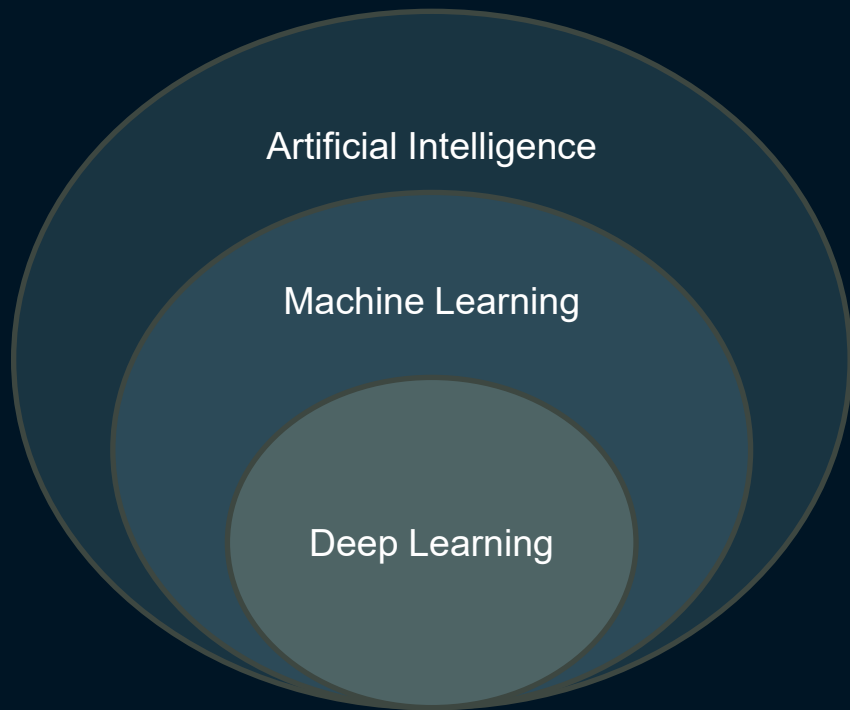
"smartphone face social media"



- Predictive maintenance
- Autonomous driving
- Fraud detection (banking)
- Online ads
- Recommendations

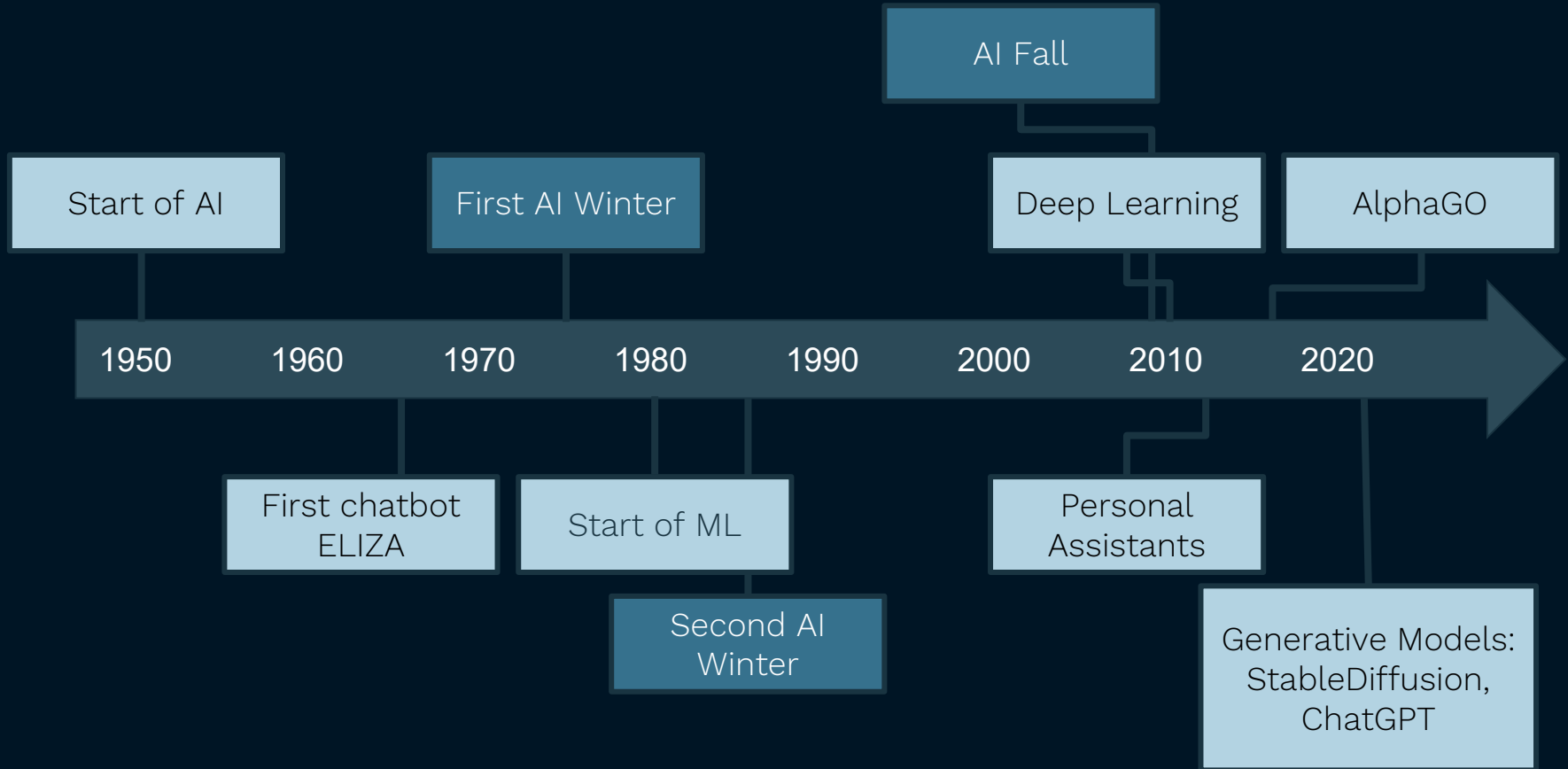
"automation industry recommendation"

What are AI, machine learning, and deep learning?



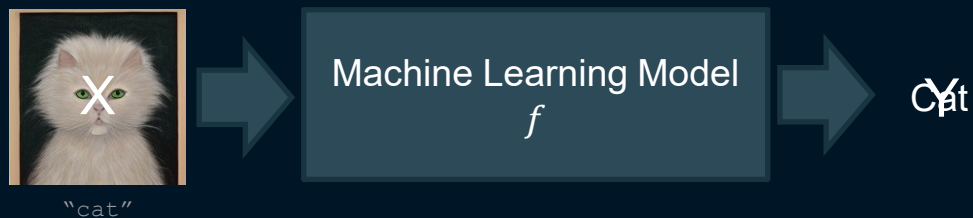
- Artificial Intelligence: Intelligent behavior (previously done by humans) is performed *algorithmically*
- Machine Learning: A parameterized (mathematical) *model* is “learned” from examples to map *inputs* to *outputs*
- Deep Learning: An *artificial neural network (ANN)* is learned from examples

A brief overview of the history of AI



Machine Learning and Generative Models

- Classical machine learning maps inputs (e.g. picture) to outputs (e.g. label)



- Generative models invert the mapping
- Given a label, generate a picture

Stable Diffusion: Generative Models for images

- Text-to-image models generate images based on a prompt
- Basic idea behind diffusion models can be transferred to text generation, traffic simulation, game design, ...



"patent attorney justice
legal"



"attorney in front of Eiffel
tower"



"traffic simulation"

Stable Diffusion: Editing images

- (Image+Text)-to-Image: Edit images by masking and describing the changes



- Future: More advanced image and video editing tools

Best of Stable Diffusion



Generative Models for text data

- Given a text prompt:
Generate a text as a response
- Translation of texts, e.g., to Japanese
- Can be used to generate standard documents: letters, CV's, summaries, explanations, statements, ...

Title: Current and Future Trends in Artificial Intelligence

Slide 1: Introduction

Welcome and introduction to the presentation
Importance of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in today's world
Overview of current and future trends

Slide 2: Current Trends in AI

Discuss the current state of AI [technology](#)
Highlight recent advancements and [applications](#)
Include examples such as natural language processing, computer vision, and recommendation [systems](#)

Slide 3: Machine Learning

Explain the role of machine learning in [AI](#)
Discuss supervised, unsupervised, and reinforcement [learning](#)
Mention the importance of deep learning and neural [networks](#)

Slide 4: Big Data and AI

Explore the relationship between big data and [AI](#)
Discuss how AI is used to analyze large [datasets](#)
Emphasize the impact on decision-making and [insights](#)

Slide 5: AI in Healthcare

Present current applications of AI in healthcare
Discuss diagnosis, treatment, and drug [discovery](#)
Highlight the potential for personalized [medicine](#)

Slide 6: AI in Autonomous Systems

Describe the role of AI in autonomous vehicles and [drones](#)
Discuss safety and regulatory [challenges](#)
Explore future possibilities for autonomous [AI systems](#)

Building generative text models

- Generative models as ChatGPT are pre-trained on vast amount of data
- Varying levels of finetuning after pre-training

Step 0	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
Foundation Model	Example Responses	Preferences	Likes/Dislikes
Train on massive amount of text data	For given prompts, let humans give example answers	For a given prompt, let humans rank different responses	A user gives feedback in terms of like/dislike for generated text
Learn to predict a single masked word	Very costly, very informative	Less costly, moderate informativeness	Very cheap, weak signal

- With finetuning, domain-specific knowledge can be introduced

Handling of multi-modal data

- AI tools so far often restrict themselves to a single data format



- The world is multi-modal and so should be the data fed to AI systems
- More versatile AI systems that can handle different types of data

Generative Models for programming

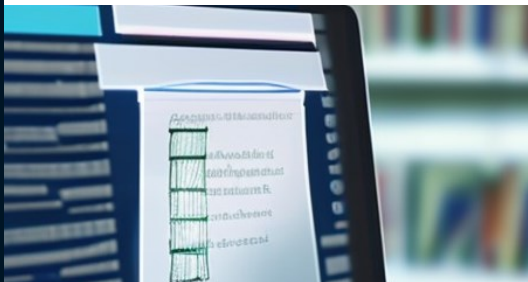
- Generate program code, e.g., a program to compute the Fibonacci numbers in the programming language Python
- Prompt: „Give me a python program computing the Fibonacci numbers“

<p>1. Iterative Approach (Recommended for large Fibonacci numbers):</p> <pre>python def fibonacci_iterative(n): if n <= 0: return [] elif n == 1: return [0] elif n == 2: return [0, 1] else: fib_sequence = [0, 1] for i in range(2, n): next_fib = fib_sequence[i - 1] + fib_sequence[i - 2] fib_sequence.append(next_fib) return fib_sequence # Usage example: n = 10 # Change n to the desired Fibonacci sequence length fib_sequence = fibonacci_iterative(n) print(f"Fibonacci sequence of length {n}: {fib_sequence}")</pre>	<p>1. Recursive Approach (Not recommended for large Fibonacci numbers due to exponential time complexity):</p> <pre>python def fibonacci_recursive(n): if n <= 0: return [] elif n == 1: return [0] elif n == 2: return [0, 1] else: fib_sequence = fibonacci_recursive(n - 1) next_fib = fib_sequence[-1] + fib_sequence[-2] fib_sequence.append(next_fib) return fib_sequence # Usage example: n = 10 # Change n to the desired Fibonacci sequence length fib_sequence = fibonacci_recursive(n) print(f"Fibonacci sequence of length {n}: {fib_sequence}")</pre>
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Generative Models for assisting human experts

- AI-based assistants for human experts

AI CHATBOT



AI-based document scanning and summarization

"document scanning artificial intelligence"



GitHub
Copilot



AI-based pair programming

ML-Copilot



AI-assisted data science and machine learning

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Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)

- High demand for machine learning applications
- Limited availability of experts to engineer those applications
- Solution: Automation □ Achieves state-of-the-art performance

AutoML and NAS

Black-box optimization for the choice of machine learning algorithms / artificial neural networks

Meta-Learning

Use machine learning to predict for a dataset which algorithms to use

Learn a generic predictor

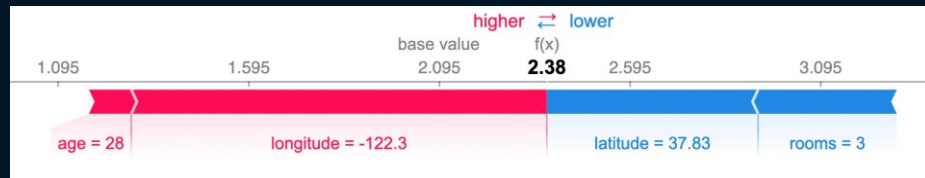
AutoML Zero

Generate machine learning algorithms from scratch

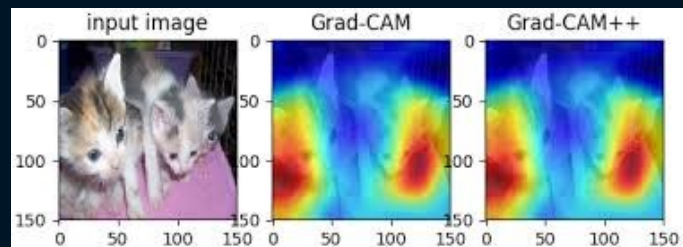
Acceptance problems: Requiring tools to be more *interactive* and *explainability*

Explainable Artificial Intelligence

- Explain predicted outcomes Y to the user
- Influence of inputs X in terms of a force plot



- Highlighting the most influential parts of an image:



Only relatively simple explanations possible so far.
In the future: Addressing other questions a user of AI might have.

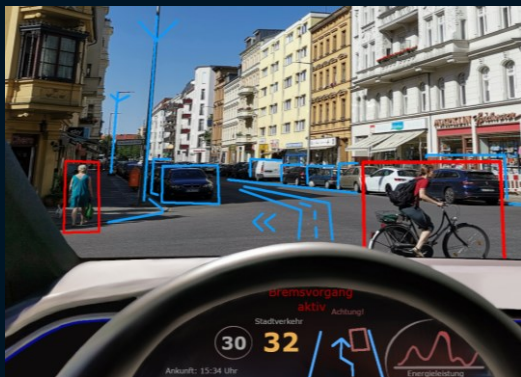
Cooperative AI tools: AI interacting with humans

- Build AI tools that can interact with humans
- Cooperatively come up with solutions
- Generative Models for text as a basis
- AI mainly developed by mathematicians, computer scientists, computerlinguists
- Future: AI developed by domain experts incorporating domain-specific knowledge



Autonomous driving: Processing images

Object Recognition



- Detect objects
- Distinguish between moving and static objects
- Estimate the depth/ distance from monocular images

Realistic Simulation



"traffic simulation"

- Simulate realistic traffic situations
- Development environment for autonomous driving
- Test case selection (testing is expensive)

Scene Rendering



- Generate 3D models based on 2D images
- Situational awareness
- Predict information that is missing


Pitfalls: Misusage


- Responsible use of AI is crucial
- Understanding the capabilities what AI can do and more importantly cannot do (yet)
- Blind usage is dangerous
 - need proper education and explanations

The image shows a screenshot of a Forbes article. At the top, the Forbes logo is displayed in white on a dark blue background. Below the logo, the text 'FORBES > BUSINESS' is visible. The article is marked as 'BREAKING'. The main headline reads 'Lawyer Used ChatGPT In Court — And Cited Fake Cases. A Judge Is Considering Sanctions'. The author is identified as Molly Bohannon, Forbes Staff, with a bio stating 'I cover breaking news.' and a blue 'Follow' button. The article is dated 'Jun 8, 2023, 02:06pm EDT' and was updated at 'Jun 8, 2023, 03:42pm EDT'. A social media sharing section includes icons for Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, followed by a 'TOPLINE' summary: 'The lawyer for a man suing an airline in a routine personal injury suit used ChatGPT to prepare a filing, but the artificial intelligence bot delivered fake cases that the attorney then presented to the court, prompting a judge to weigh sanctions as the legal community grapples with one of the first cases of AI “hallucinations” making it to court.'

Pitfalls: Hallucinations of Generative Models

- Generative models for text may *hallucinate* instead of truthfully informing

 Who was the sole survivor of Titanic?

 The sole survivor of the Titanic disaster, often referred to as the "Unsinkable Molly Brown," was Margaret Brown. She was a passenger on the RMS Titanic when it struck an iceberg and sank in April 1912. Margaret Brown survived the sinking by boarding lifeboat number 6 and later played a prominent role in helping to organize and assist fellow survivors.

Margaret Brown's actions during and after the Titanic disaster earned her recognition and respect, and she became known as a heroine. She later became involved in social and philanthropic activities and continued to be an advocate for various causes. Margaret Brown's life story was adapted into the Broadway musical and film "The Unsinkable Molly Brown," with Debbie Reynolds portraying her in the 1964 film adaptation.

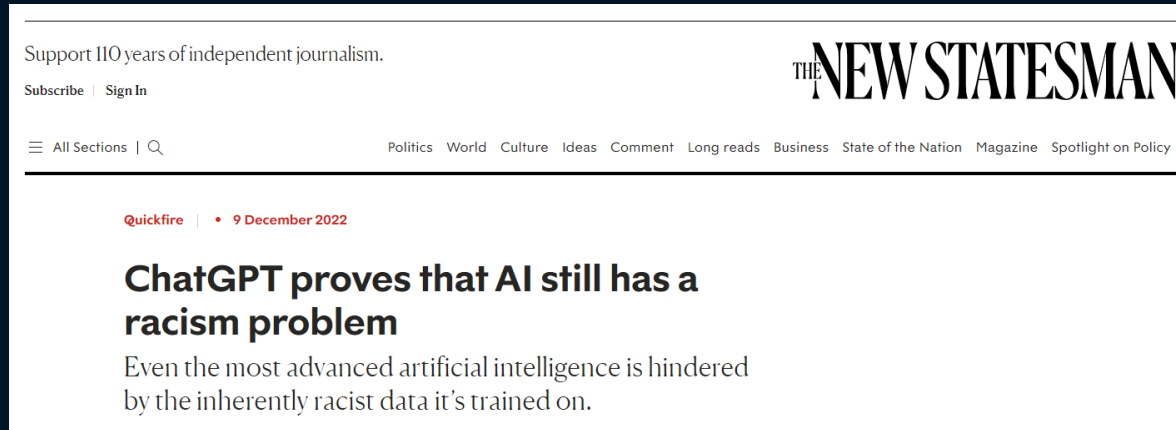
Trick question!

Actually there were 700 survivors

Avoiding hallucinations is a major challenge.
In the future: Link to knowledge bases maintaining *facts*.

Pitfalls: Biases

- AI learns from data created by humans
- Data can be biased: racism, gender-bias, ...
- AI may be used to influence people



In order to obtain fair AI, additional mechanisms need to be incorporated

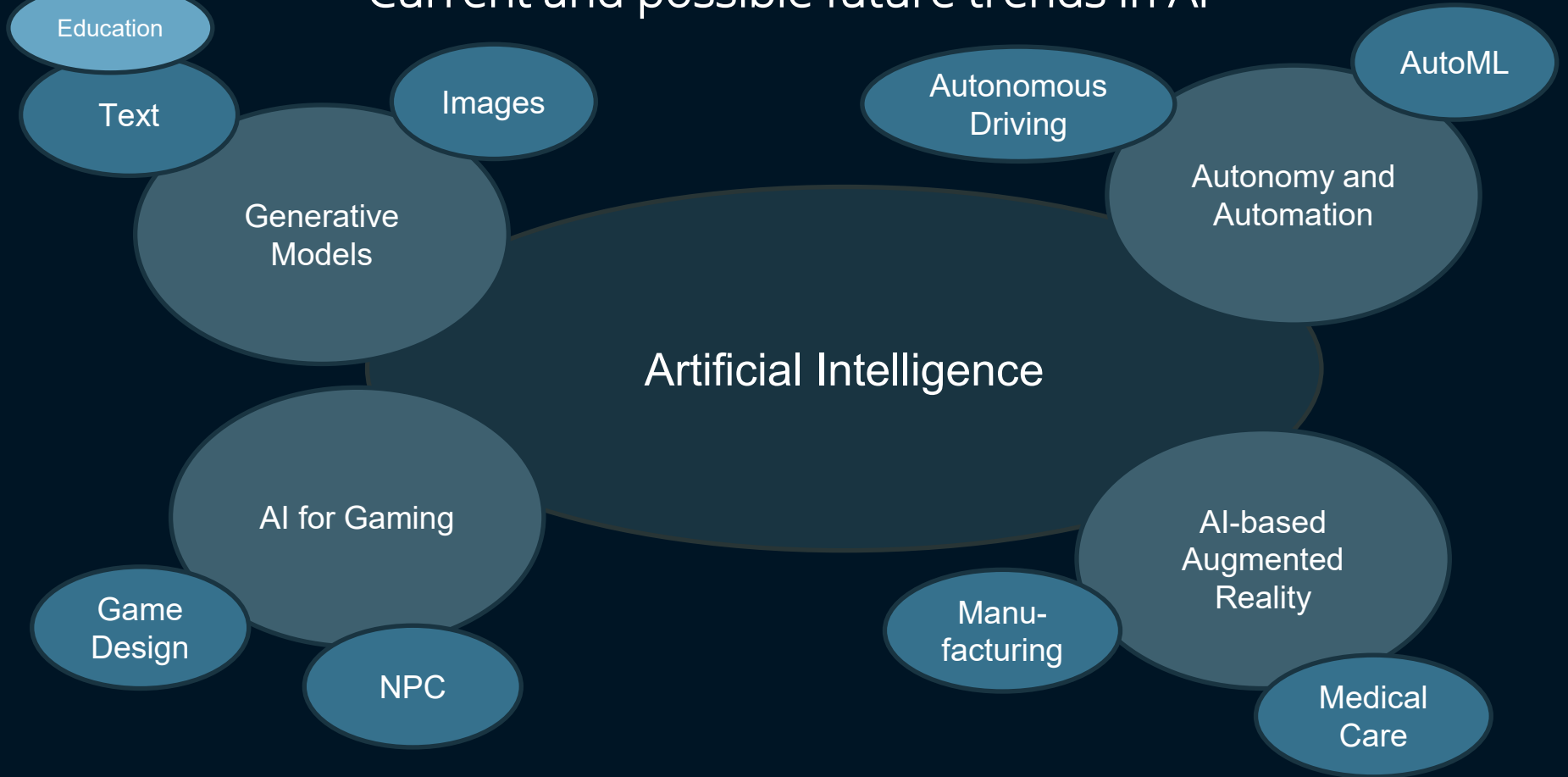
Pitfalls: Fake News

- Generative Models can be used to make up fake pictures



Need for AI tools that can detect whether something is generated or real

Current and possible future trends in AI



Open (Legal) Issues

EU AI Act

Liability for AI

Copyright for content
generated by AI

Impact on society

International governance

Sentience of AI
(Intelligence – Turing Test)

Data privacy and protection

Conclusion

- Generative Models for
 - Images
 - Text
- (Partial) automation
 - Business processes
 - Data science
 - Decision making
 - Driving
- Supportive AI
- Sophisticated media creation



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(Some) Future Prospects

- Generative Models handling
 - Multi-modal data
 - Specialized for various domains
 - Connected to
- Explainability and interactiveness
 - Explain inner workings
 - Explain data
 - Explain *concepts*
 - *Cooperative AI*
- Addressing legal and ethical concerns
- Domain-specific AI

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