

DSC291: Machine Learning with Few Labels

Overview

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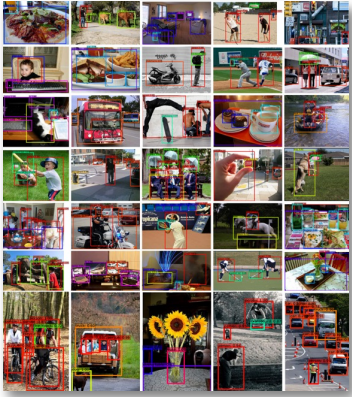
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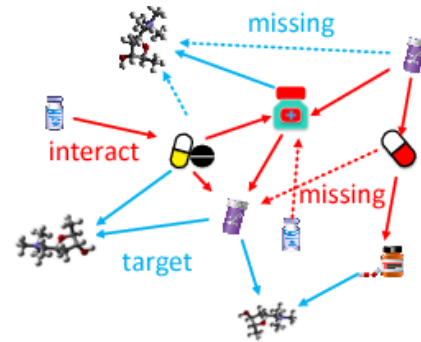
What is Machine Learning?

- Computational methods that enable machines to learn concepts and improve performance from **experience**.

Experience of all kinds



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Data examples

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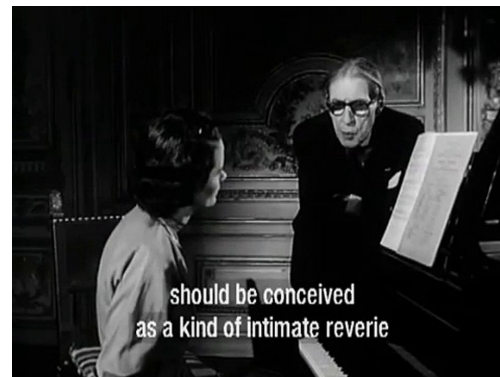
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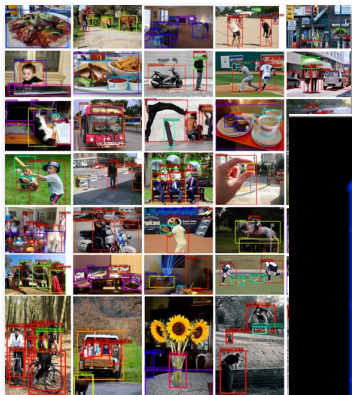


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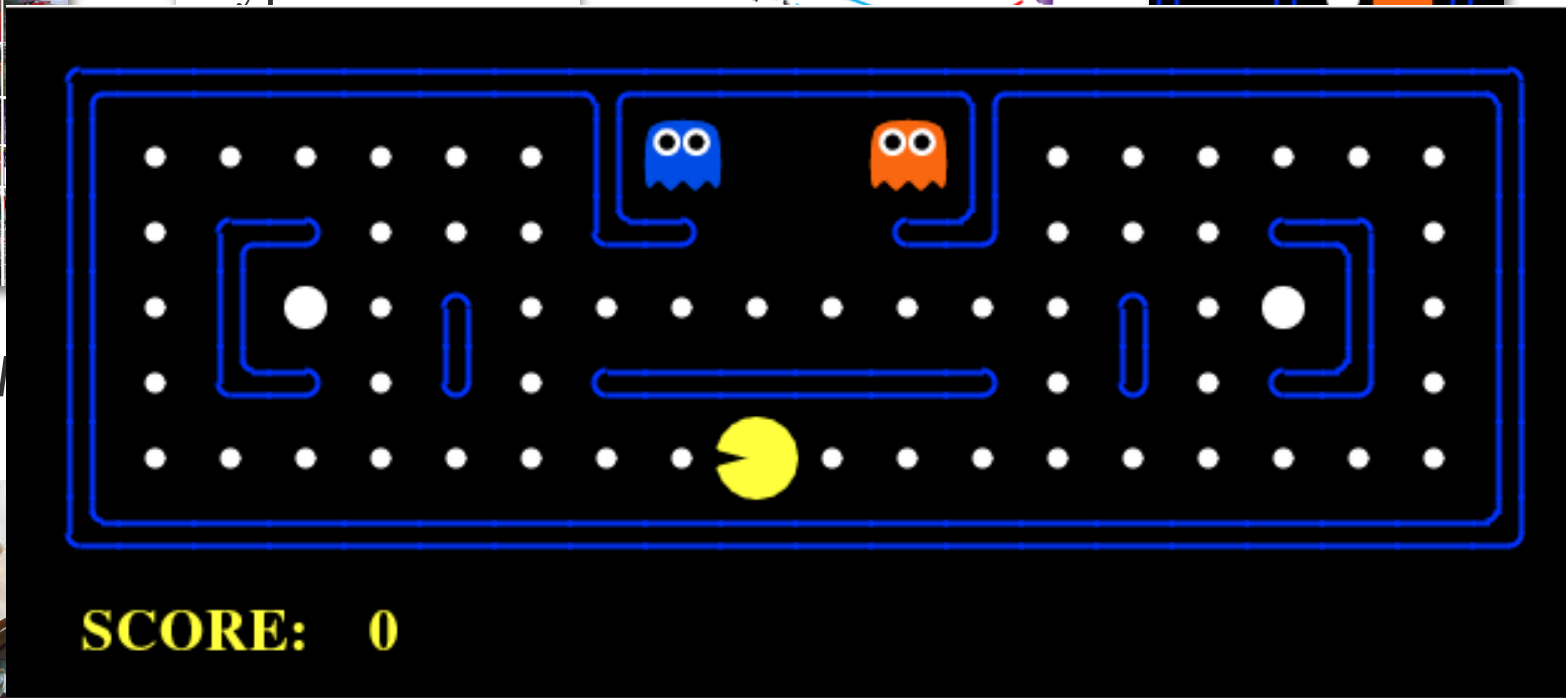
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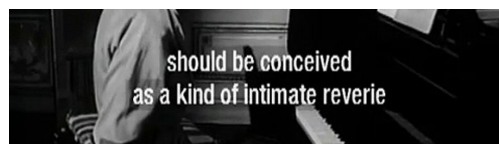
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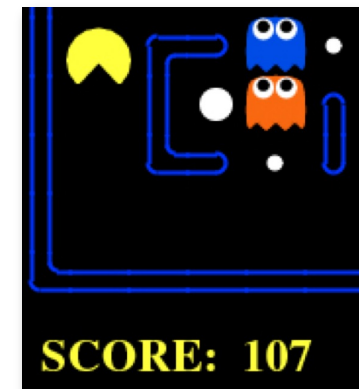
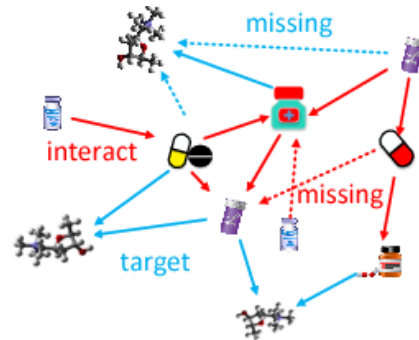
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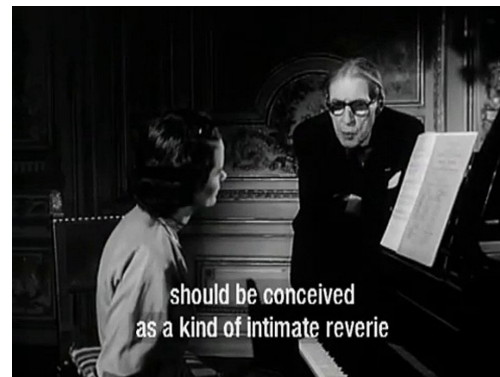
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Experience: (massive) data examples



Image classification



Machine translation



Language modeling
(BERT, GPT-3/4, ...)

GPT3: 45TB of text data: CommonCrawl, WebText, Wikipedia, corpus of books, ...

Experience: (massive) data examples

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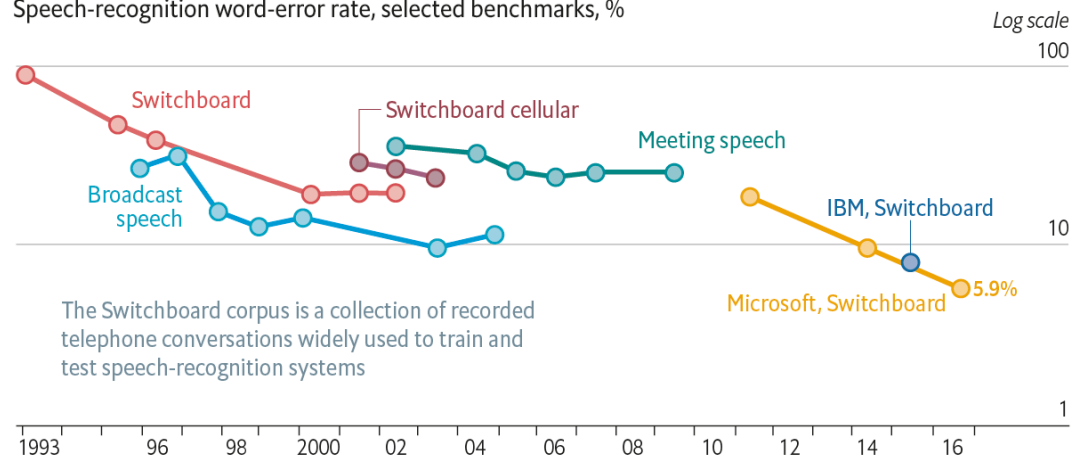
OpenAI's text-generating system GPT-3 is now spewing out 4.5 billion words a day

Robot-generated writing looks set to be the next big thing

By James Vincent | Mar 29, 2021, 8:24am EDT

Loud and clear

Speech-recognition word-error rate, selected benchmarks, %



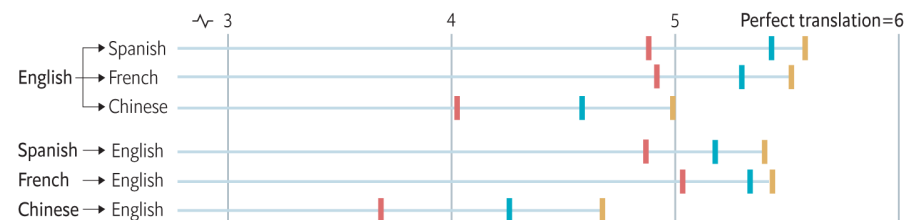
The Switchboard corpus is a collection of recorded telephone conversations widely used to train and test speech-recognition systems

Sources: Microsoft; research papers

Speak easy

Human scorers' rating* of Google Translate and human translation

Translation method | Phrase-based† | Neural-network† | Human



Input sentence Pour l'ancienne secrétaire d'Etat, il s'agit de faire oublier un mois de cafouillages et de convaincre l'auditoire que M. Trump n'a pas l'étoffe d'un président

Phrase-based†

For the former secretary of state, this is to forget a month of bungling and convince the audience that Mr Trump has not the makings of a president

Neural-network†

For the former secretary of state, it is a question of forgetting a month of muddles and convincing the audience that Mr Trump does not have the stuff of a president

Human

The former secretary of state has to put behind her a month of setbacks and convince the audience that Mr Trump does not have what it takes to be a president

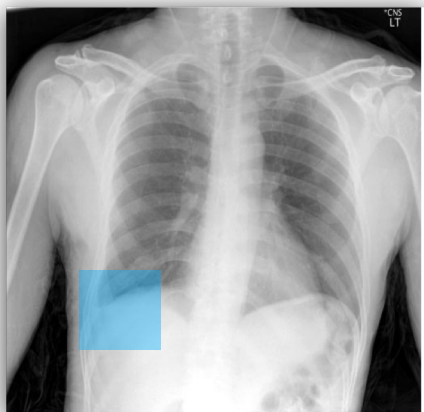
Source: Google

*0=completely nonsense translation, 6=perfect translation †Machine translation

Problems with few data (labels)

- Privacy, security issues

Assistive diagnosis



“The heart size and mediastinal contours appear within normal limits. There is blunting of the right lateral costophrenic sulcus which could be secondary to a small effusion versus scarring ...”

Normal findings

Abnormal findings

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Robotic control



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- Controllable content generation



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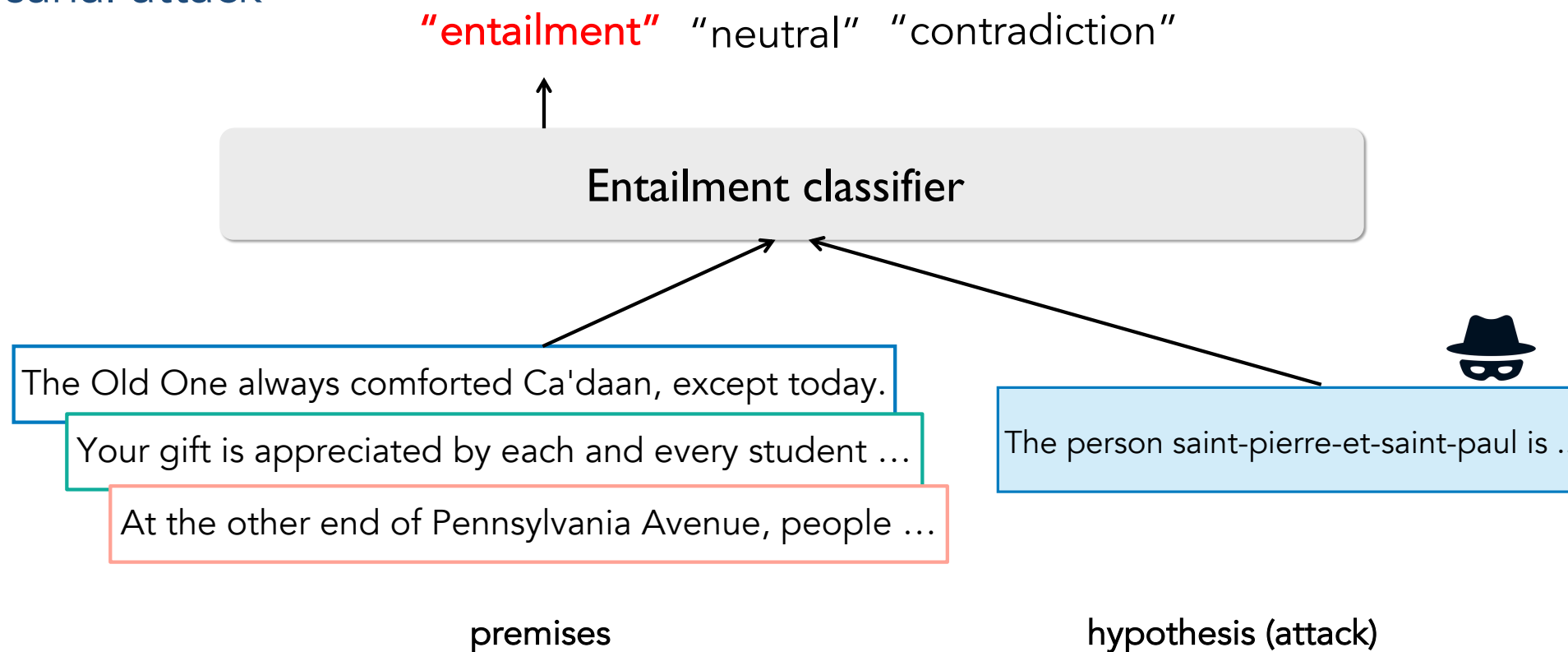
Generated images under different poses

Applications: virtual clothing try-on system

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Adversarial attack

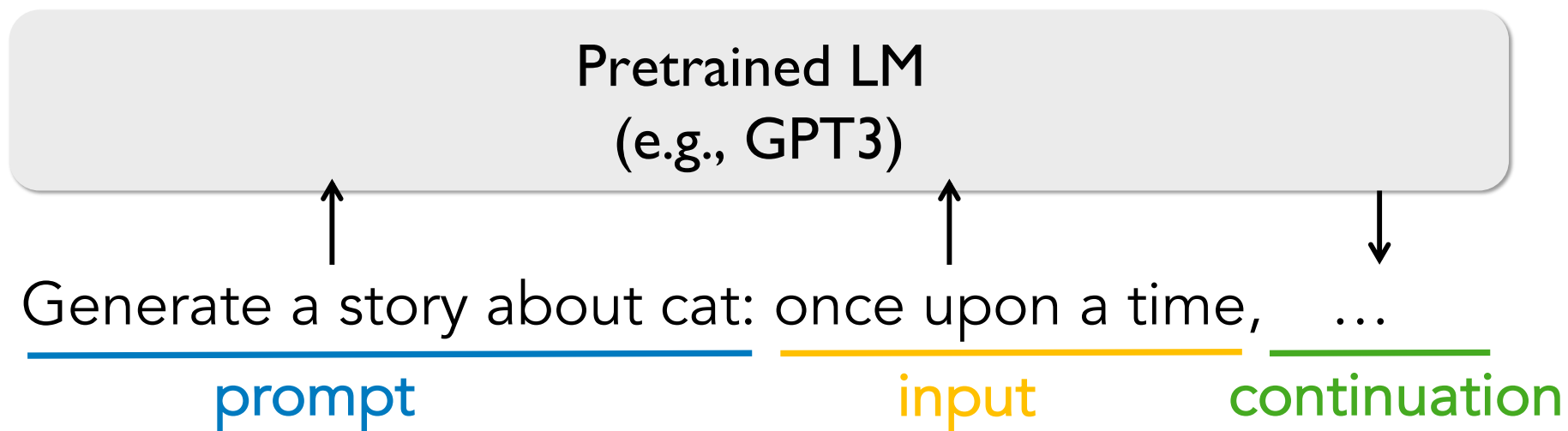


Applications: test model robustness

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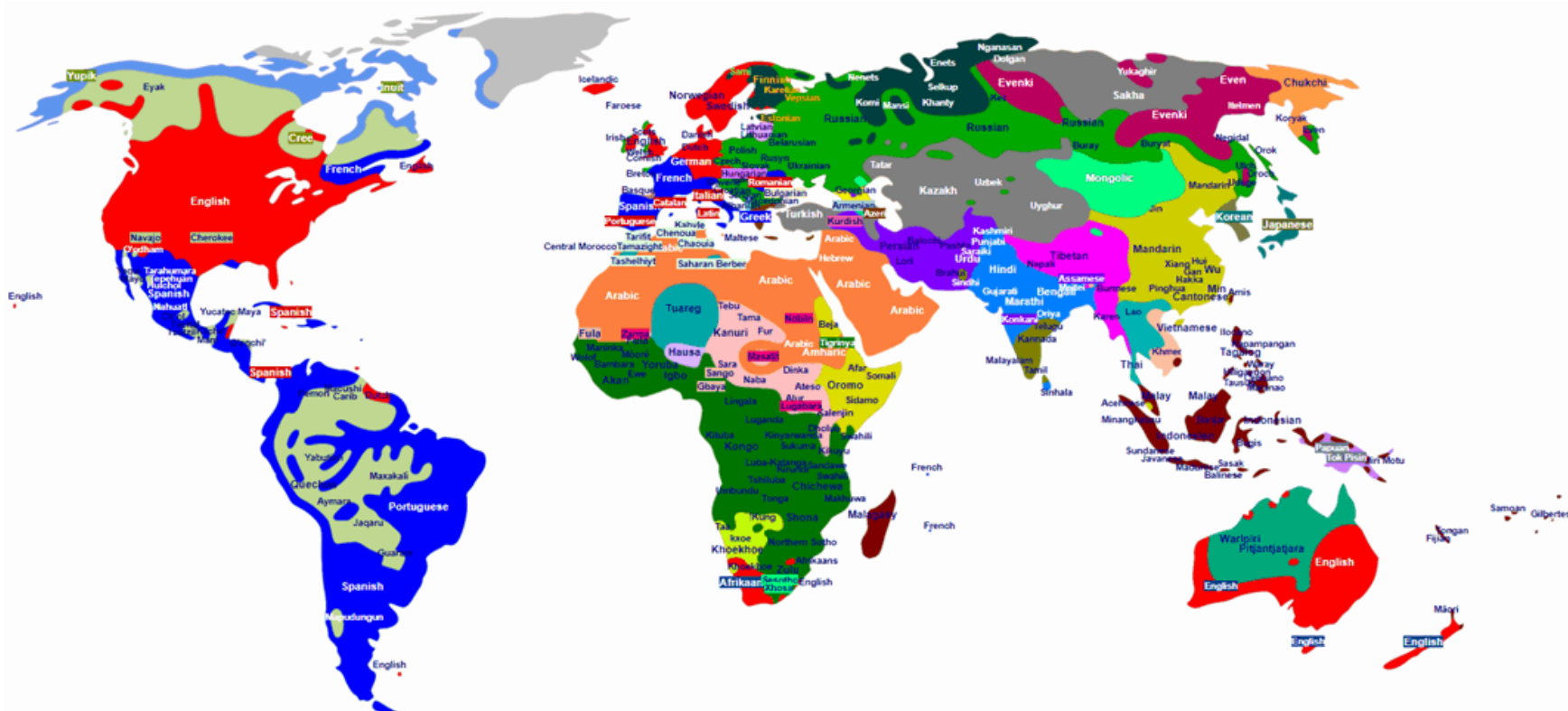
Prompt generation: automatically generating prompts to steer pretrained LMs



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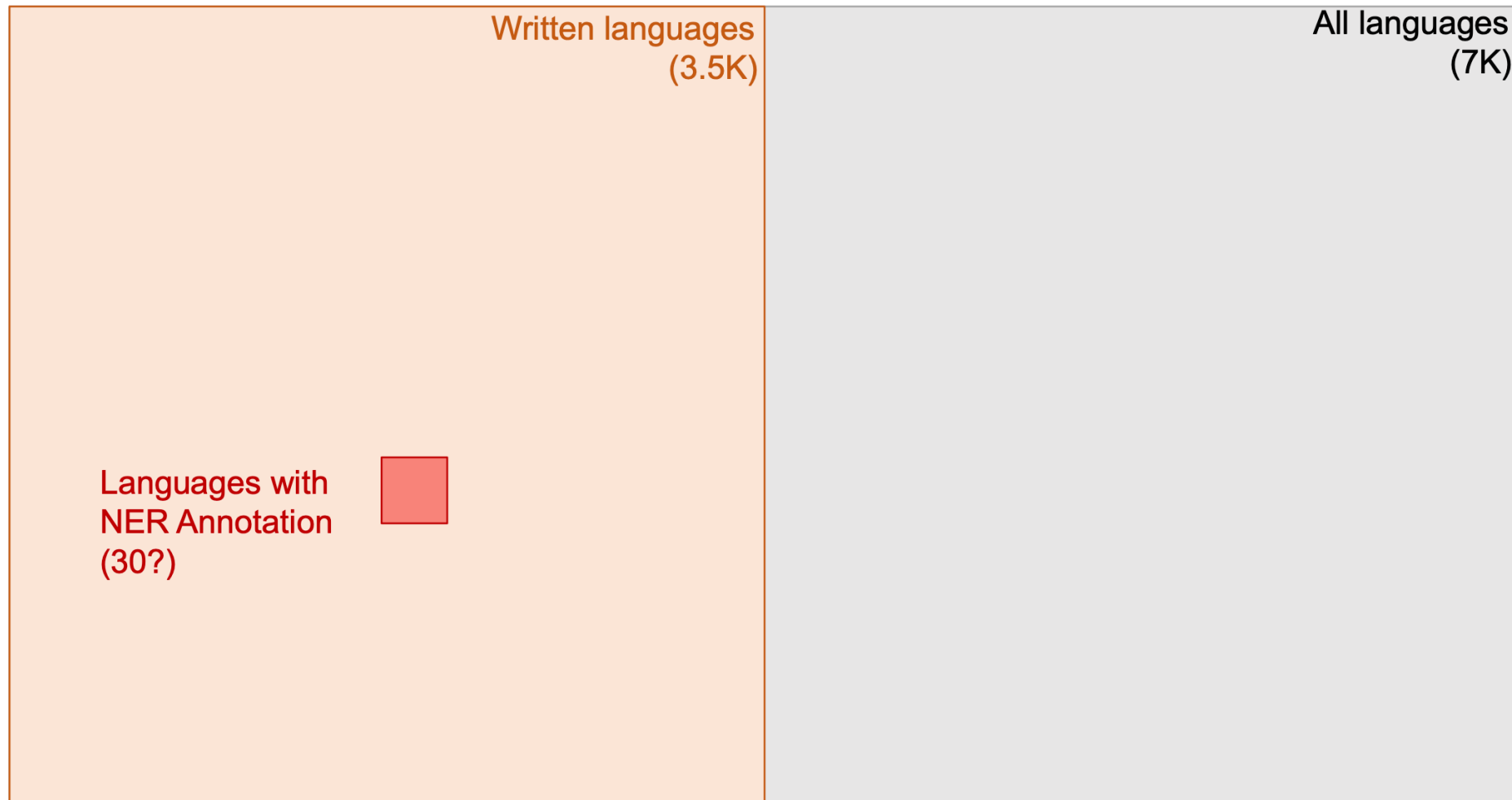
- Specific domain Low-resource languages

~7K languages in the world



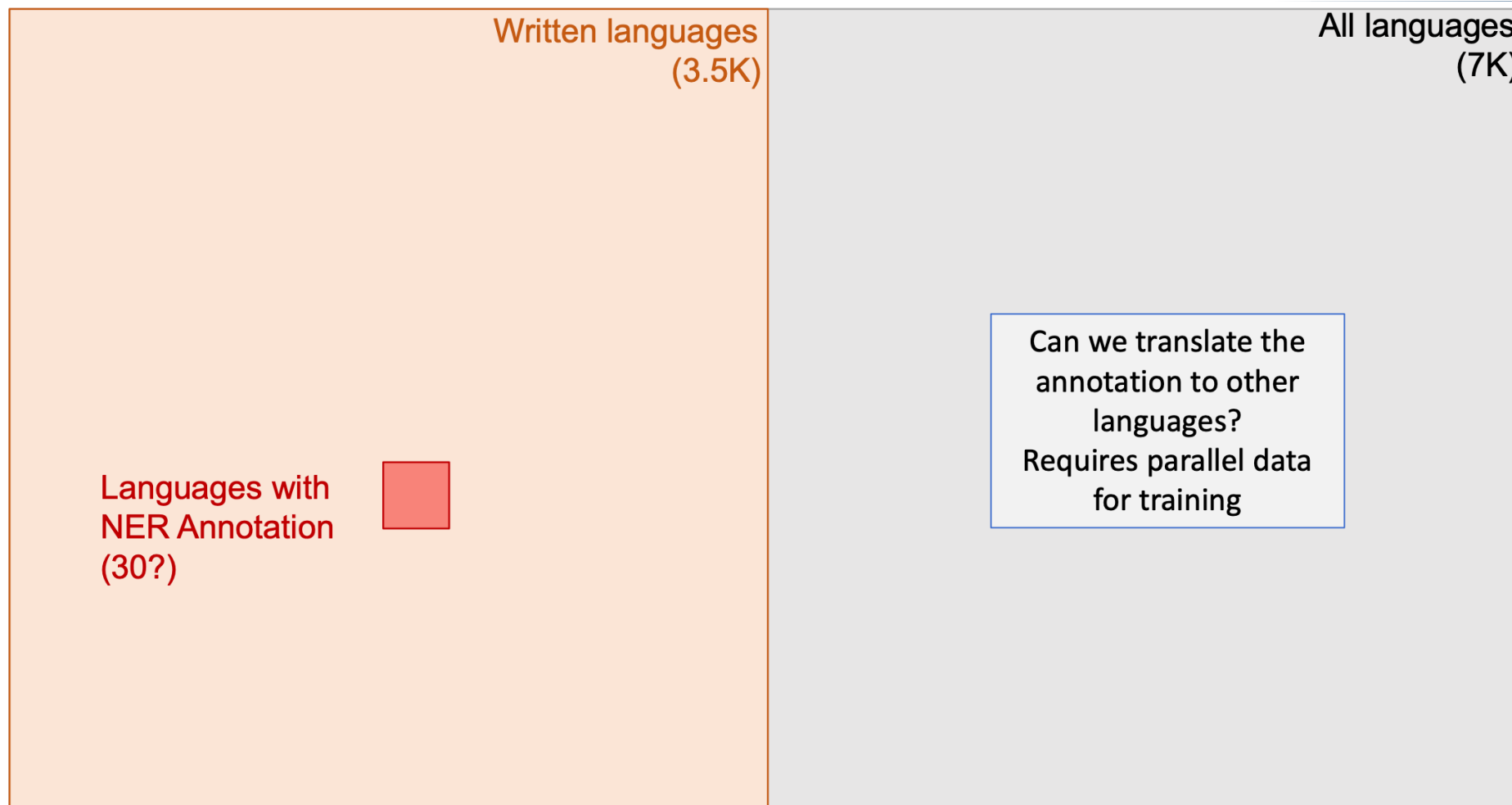
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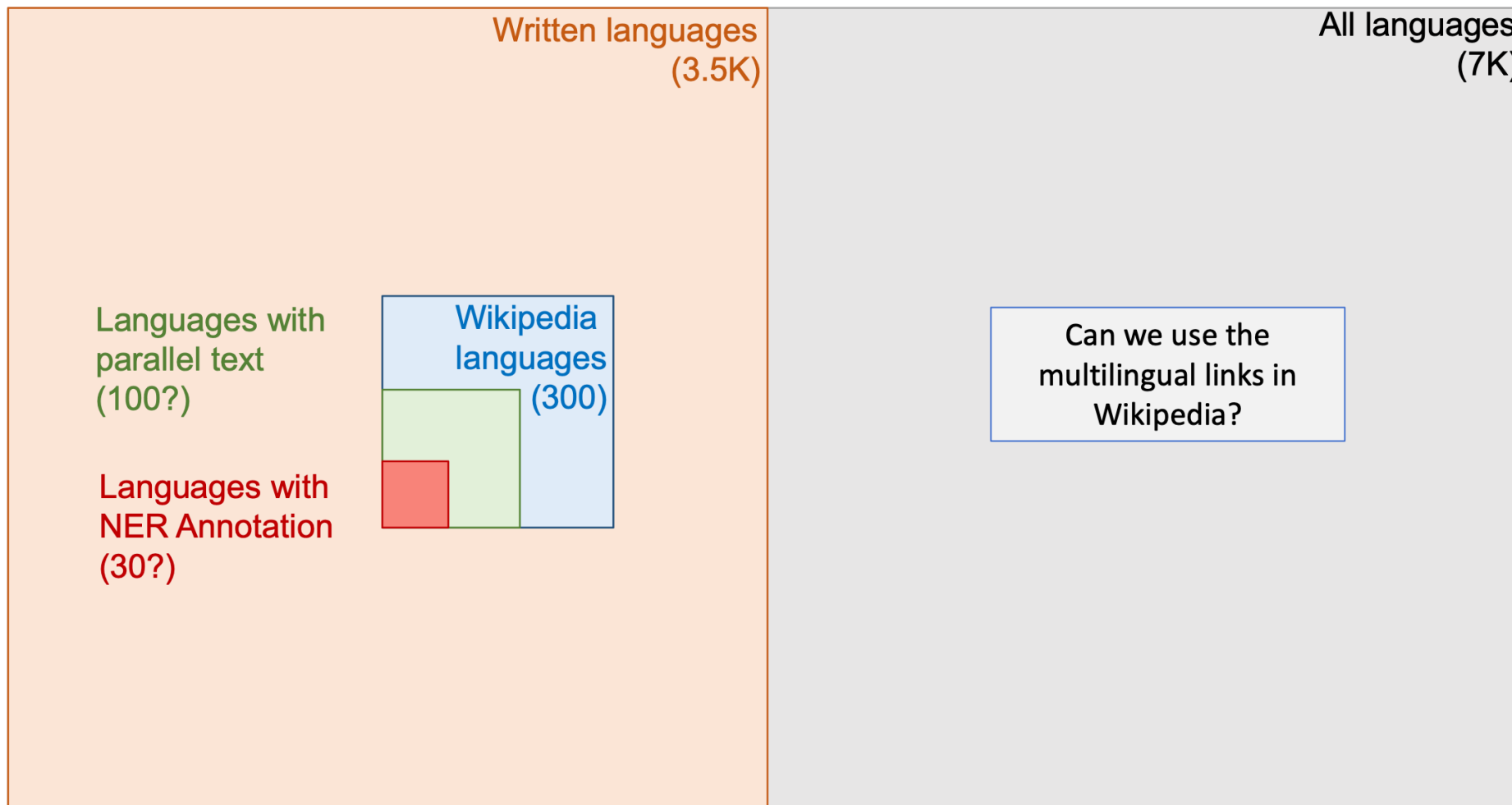
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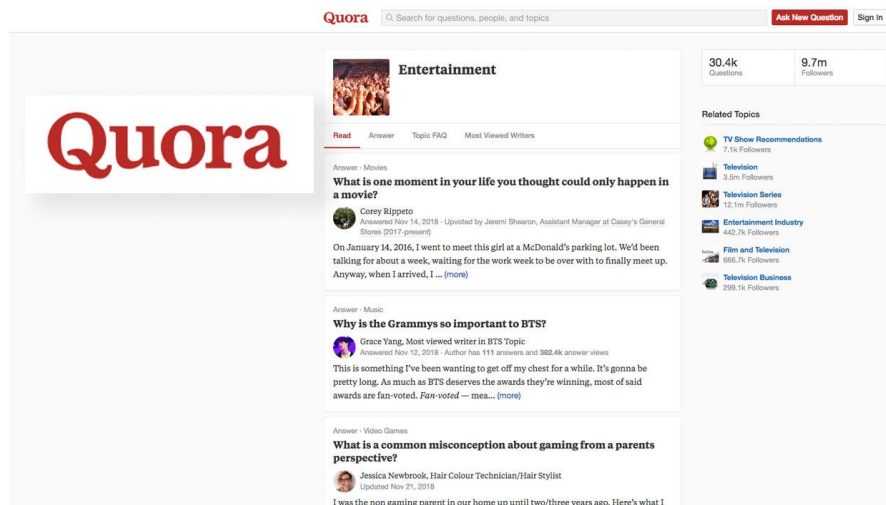
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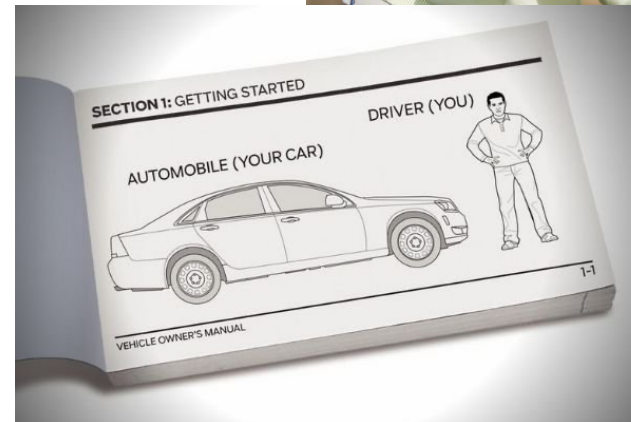
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Question answering



QA based on car manual?



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Machine learning solutions given few data (labels)

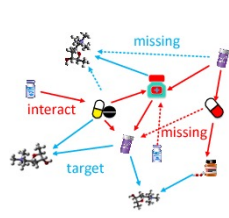
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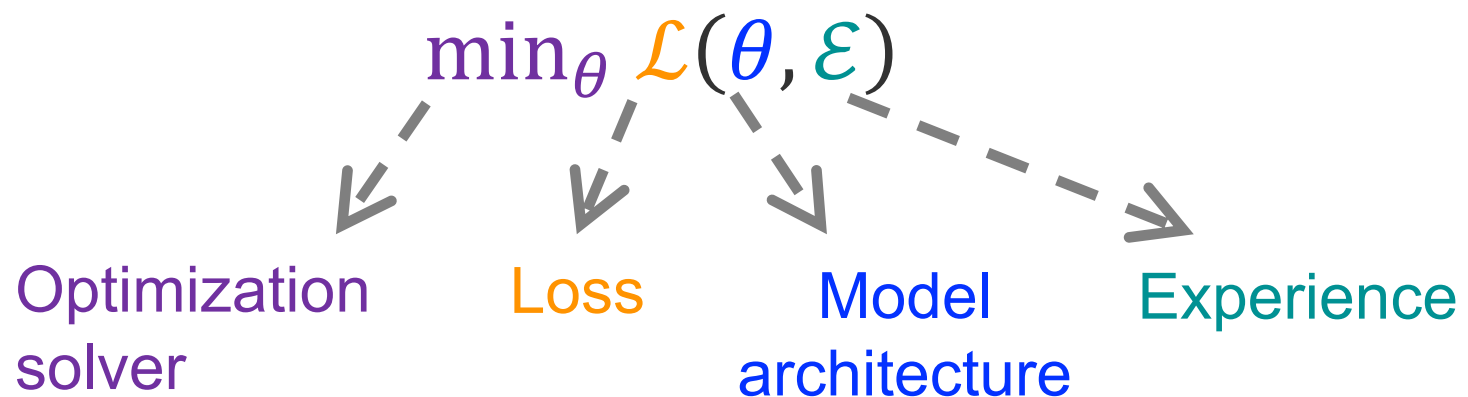


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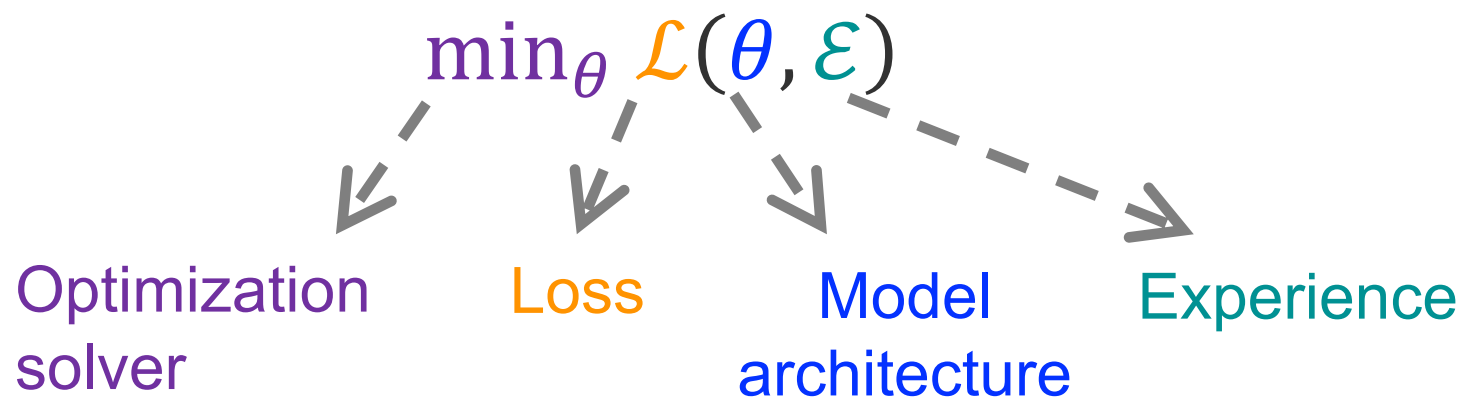
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- Graphical models
- Compositional architectures

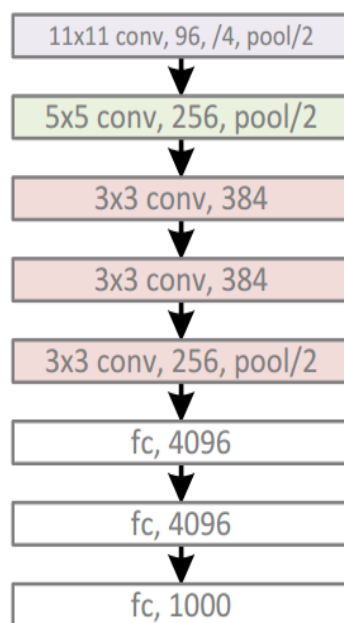
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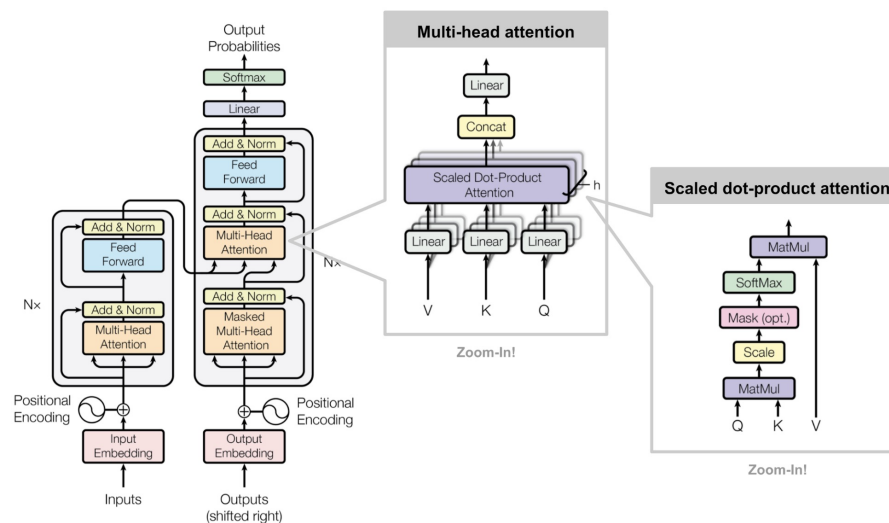
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Convolutional networks



Transformers

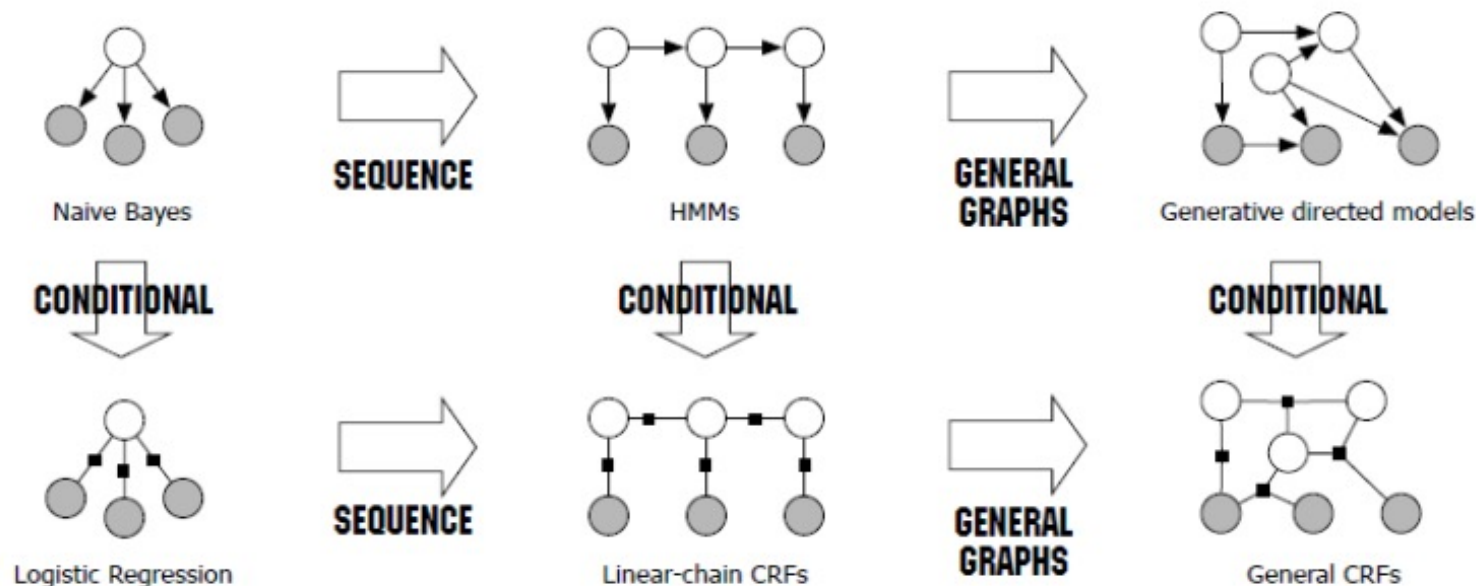
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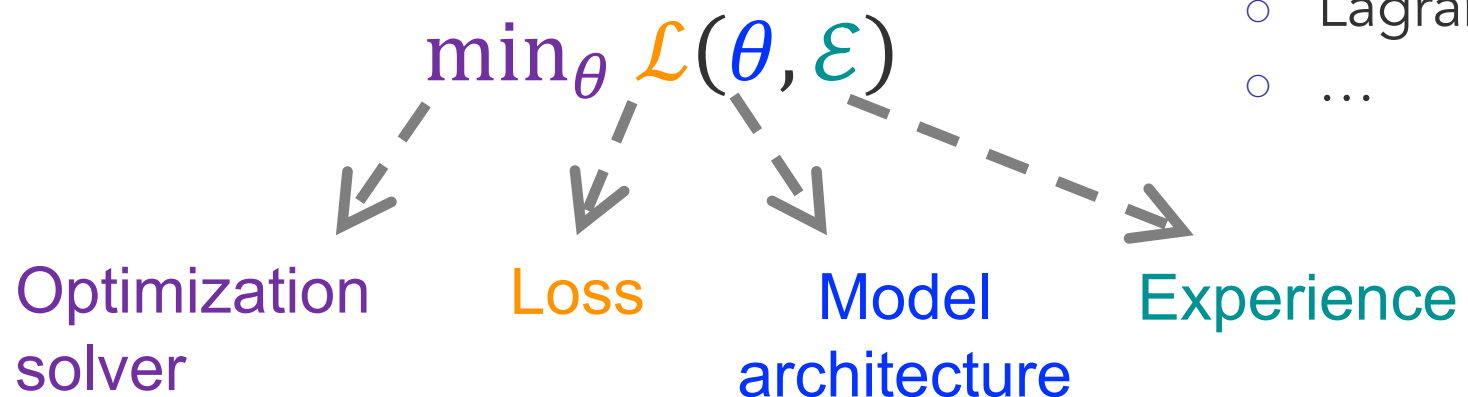
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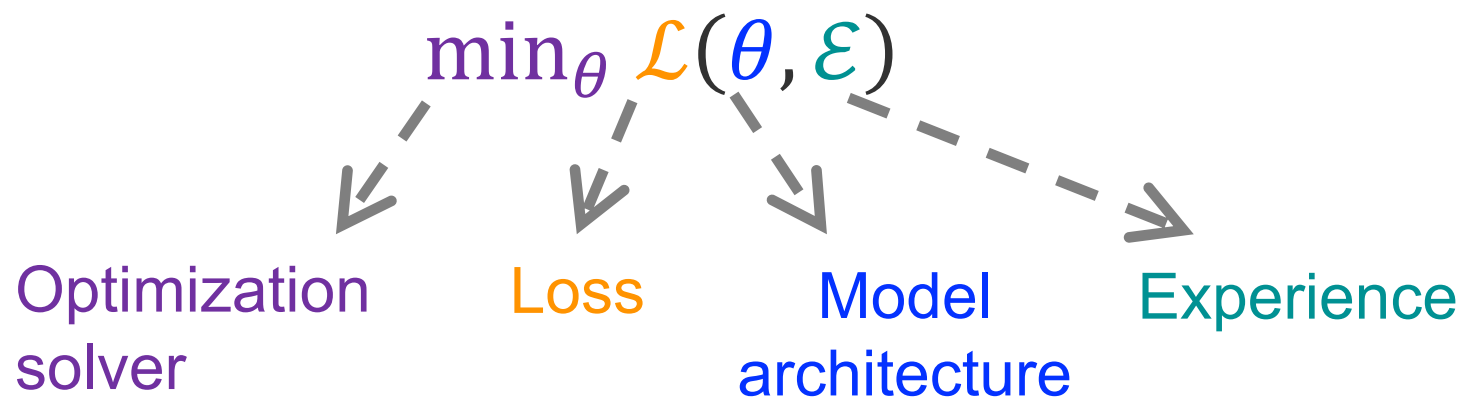
Assuming you know basic procedures:

- (Stochastic) gradient descent
- Backpropagation
- Lagrange multiplier
- ...



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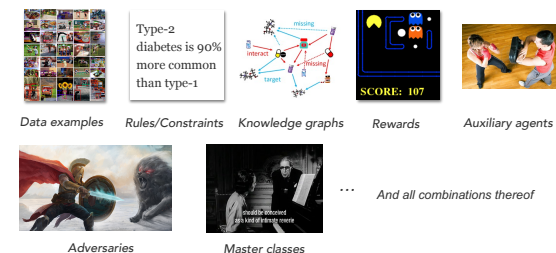
- (1) How can we make more efficient use of **data**?
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- Algorithms
 - **Supervised learning**: MLE, maximum entropy principle
 - **Unsupervised learning**: EM, variational inference, VAEs
 - **Self-supervised learning**: successful instances, e.g., BERT, GPT-3, contrastive learning, applications to downstream tasks
 - **Distant/weakly supervised learning**: successful instances
 - **Data manipulation**: augmentation, re-weighting, curriculum learning, ...
 - **Meta-learning**

Mostly first half of the course

Machine learning solutions given few data (labels)

- (2) Can we incorporate **other types of experience** in learning?

- Learning from auxiliary models, e.g., adversarial models:
 - Generative adversarial learning (GANs and variants), co-training, ...
- Learning from structured knowledge
 - Posterior regularization, constraint-driven learning, ...
- Learning from rewards
 - Reinforcement learning: model-free vs model-based, policy-based vs value-based, on-policy vs off-policy, extrinsic reward vs intrinsic reward, ...
- Learning in dynamic environment (*not covered*)
 - Online learning, lifelong/continual learning, ...



Algorithm marketplace

Designs driven by: experience, task, loss function, training procedure ...

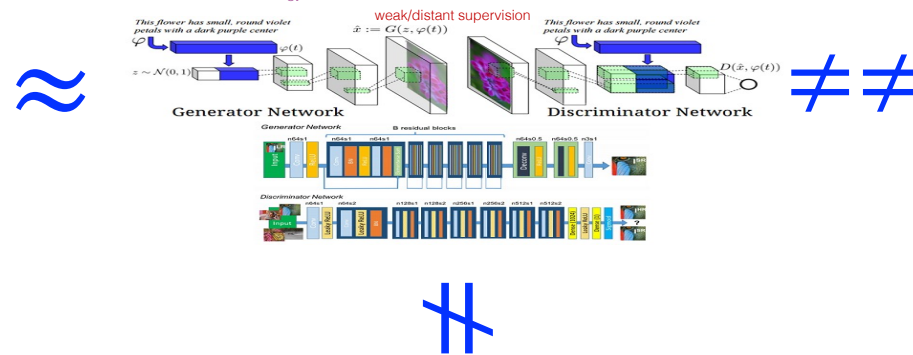


maximum likelihood estimation reinforcement learning as inference
data re-weighting inverse RL active learning
policy optimization
data augmentation reward-augmented maximum likelihood
label smoothing imitation learning softmax policy gradient
actor-critic adversarial domain adaptation
GANs posterior regularization
knowledge distillation intrinsic reward constraint-driven learning
prediction minimization generalized expectation
regularized Bayes learning from measurements
energy-based GANs
weak/distant supervision

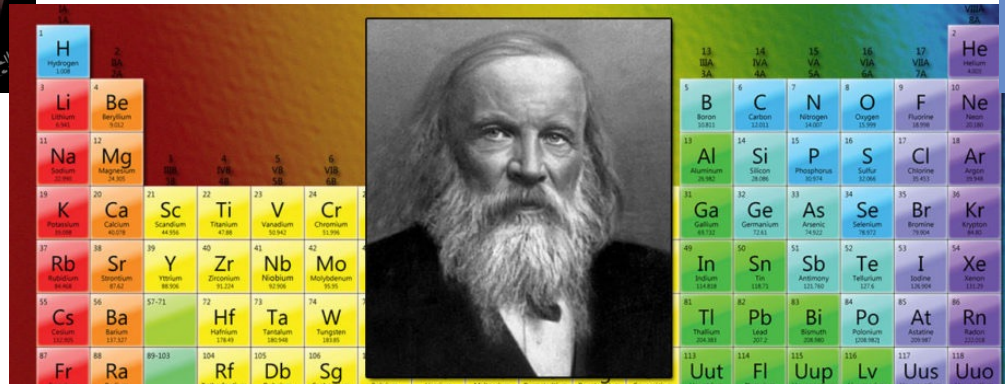
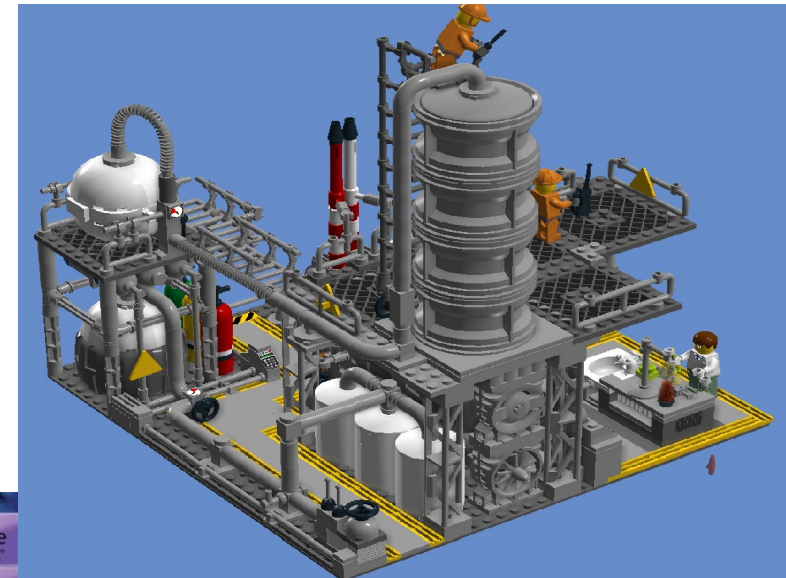
Where we are now? Where we want to be?

- Alchemy vs chemistry

maximum likelihood estimation reinforcement learning as inference
 data re-weighting inverse RL active learning
 data augmentation policy optimization reward-augmented maximum likelihood
 label smoothing imitation learning softmax policy gradient
 actor-critic GANs adversarial domain adaptation
 knowledge distillation posterior regularization
 intrinsic reward constraint-driven learning
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Quest for more standardized, unified ML principles

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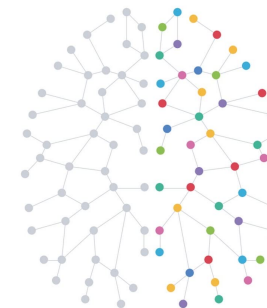
Toward a Unified Science of Machine Learning

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Model-Based Machine Learning

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HOW THE QUEST FOR
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A Unifying Review of Linear Gaussian Models

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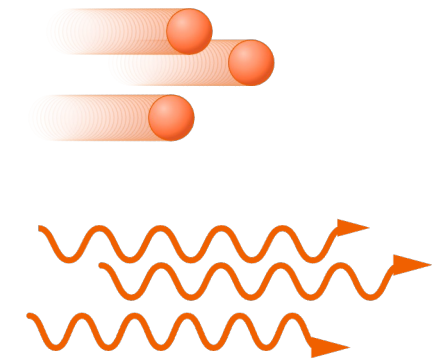
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Physics in the 1800's

- Electricity & magnetism:
 - Coulomb's law, Ampère, Faraday, ...



- Theory of light beams:
 - Particle theory: Isaac Newton, Laplace, Plank
 - Wave theory: Grimaldi, Chris Huygens, Thomas Young, Maxwell
- Law of gravity
 - Aristotle, Galileo, Newton, ...



"Standard equations" in Physics

Maxwell's Eqns:
original form

$e + \frac{df}{dx} + \frac{dg}{dy} + \frac{dh}{dz} = 0$	(1) Gauss' Law
$\mu\alpha = \frac{dH}{dy} - \frac{dG}{dz}$ $\mu\beta = \frac{dF}{dz} - \frac{dH}{dx}$ $\mu\gamma = \frac{dG}{dx} - \frac{dF}{dy}$	(2) Equivalent to Gauss' Law for magnetism
$P = \mu \left(\gamma \frac{dy}{dt} - \beta \frac{dz}{dt} \right) - \frac{dF}{dt} - \frac{d\Psi}{dz}$ $Q = \mu \left(\alpha \frac{dz}{dt} - \gamma \frac{dx}{dt} \right) - \frac{dG}{dt} - \frac{d\Psi}{dy}$ $R = \mu \left(\beta \frac{dx}{dt} - \alpha \frac{dy}{dt} \right) - \frac{dH}{dt} - \frac{d\Psi}{dx}$	(3) Faraday's Law (with the Lorentz Force and Poisson's Law)
$\frac{dy}{dy} - \frac{d\beta}{dz} = 4\pi p'$ $\frac{d\alpha}{dz} - \frac{d\gamma}{dx} = 4\pi q'$ $\frac{d\beta}{dx} - \frac{d\alpha}{dy} = 4\pi r'$	(4) Ampère-Maxwell Law
$P = -\xi p \quad Q = -\xi q \quad R = -\xi r$	Ohm's Law
$P = kf \quad Q = kg \quad R = kh$	The electric elasticity equation ($\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{D}/\epsilon$)
$\frac{de}{dt} + \frac{dp}{dx} + \frac{dq}{dy} + \frac{dr}{dz} = 0$	Continuity of charge

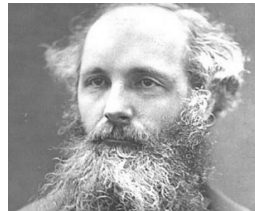
Maxwell's Eqns simplified w/ rotational symmetry

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_V$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

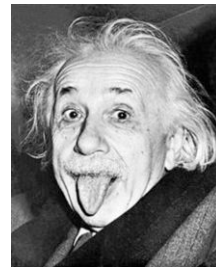
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}$$



Maxwell's Eqns further simplified w/ symmetry of special relativity

$$\epsilon^{uvk\lambda} \partial_v F_{k\lambda} = 0$$

$$\partial_v F^{uv} = \frac{4\pi}{c} j^u$$



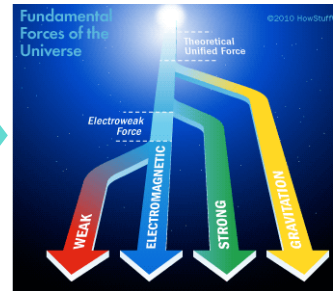
Standard Model w/ Yang-Mills theory and US(3) symmetry

$$\mathcal{L}_{gf} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(F^2)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} F^{\alpha\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha}$$



Unification of fundamental forces?



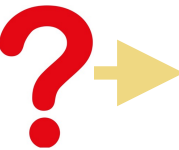
Diverse electro-magnetic theories



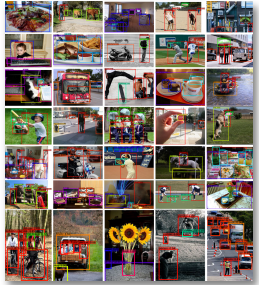
1861

1910s

1970s



A “standardized formalism” of ML



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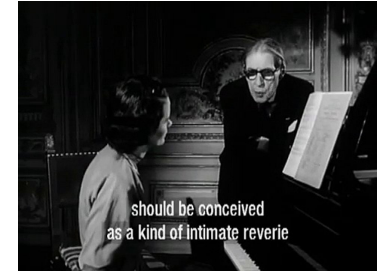
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Imitation

$$\min_{q, \theta} - \mathbb{H} + \mathbb{D} - \mathbb{E}$$

Uncertainty Divergence Experience

- Panoramically learn from all types of experience
- Subsumes many existing algorithms as special cases

Will discuss in later in the class

Questions?