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# Artificial Intelligence

## Is more than data

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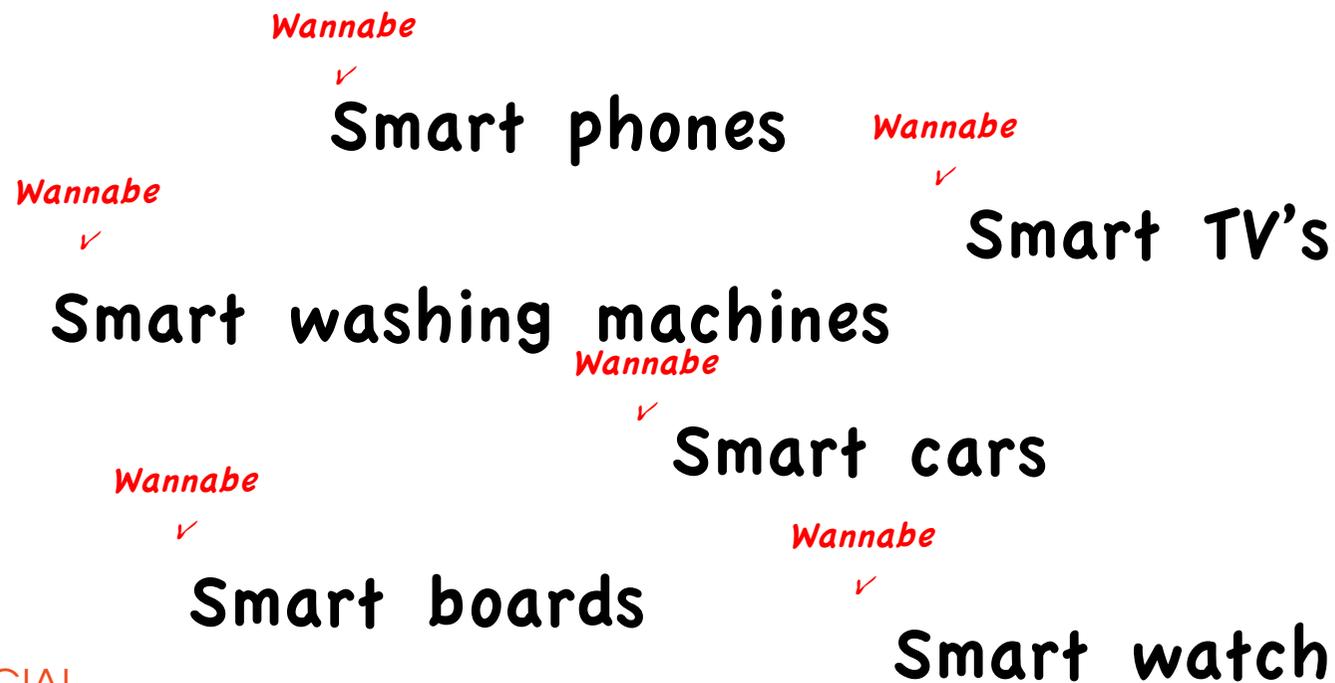
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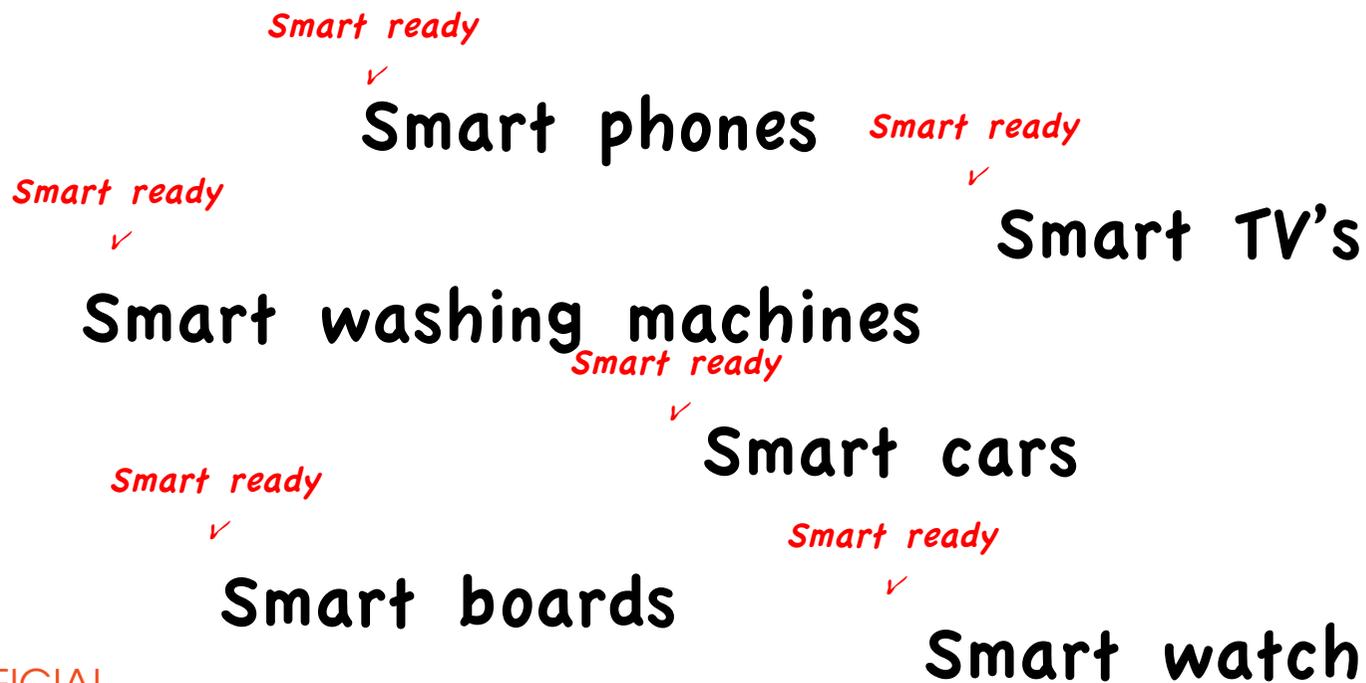
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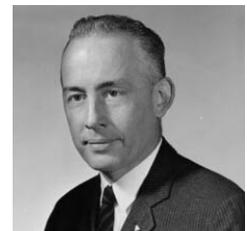
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# Brief history on AI



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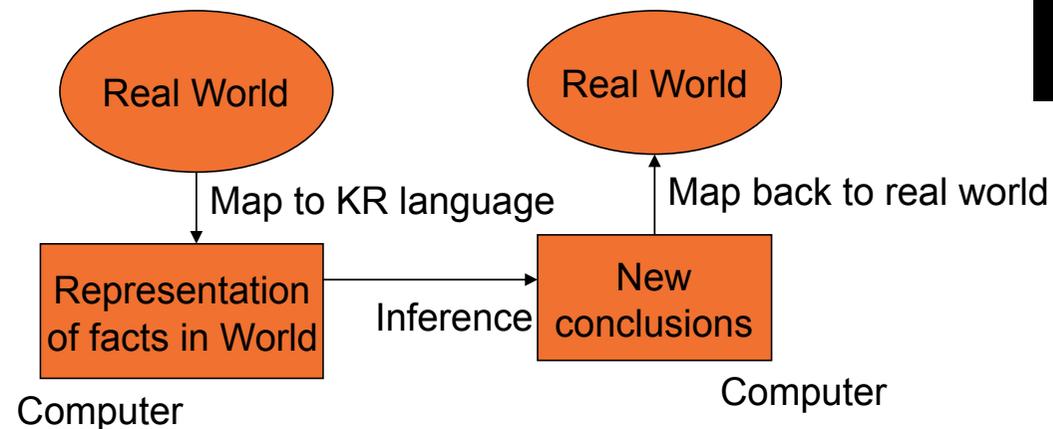
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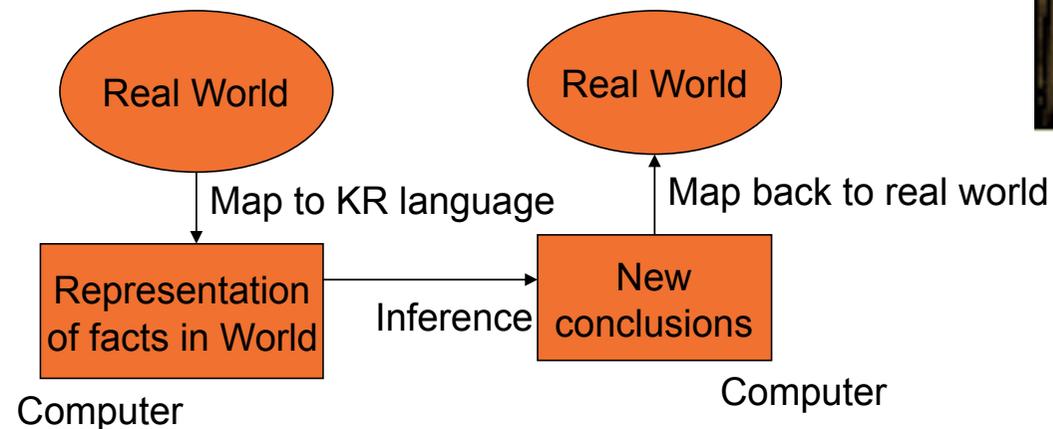
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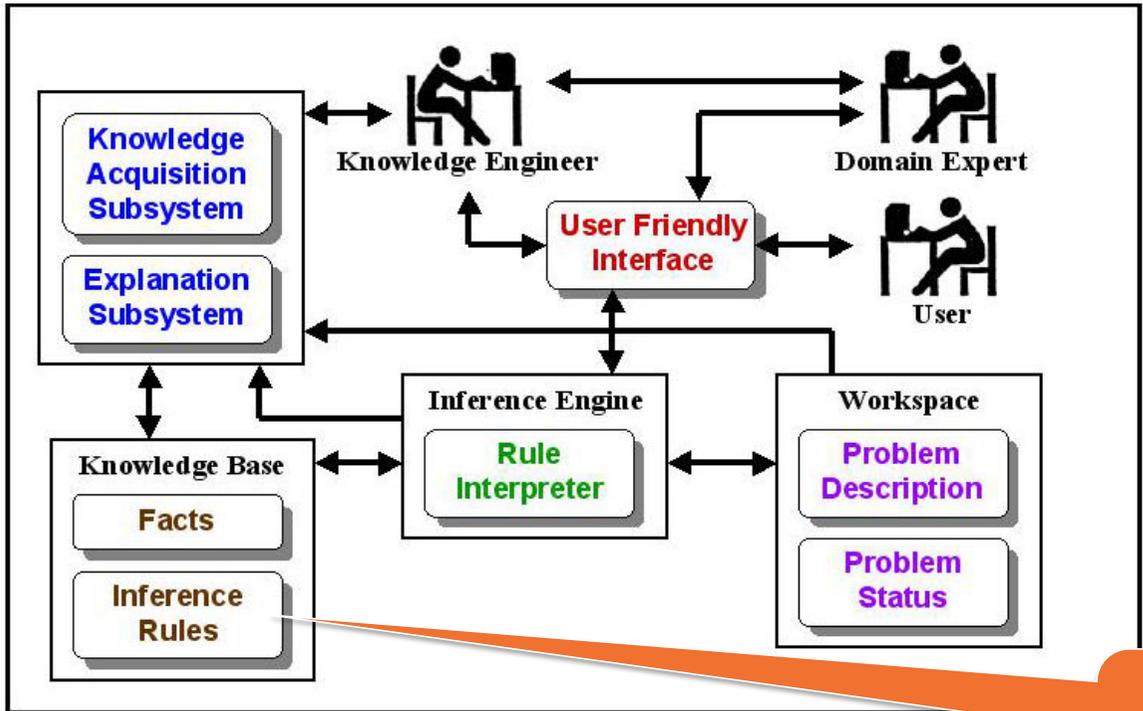
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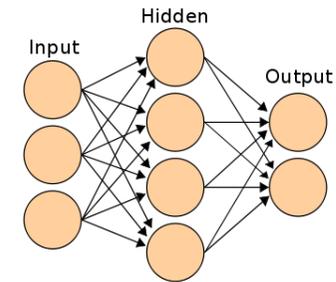
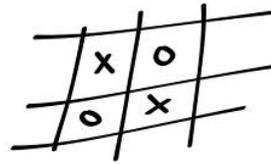
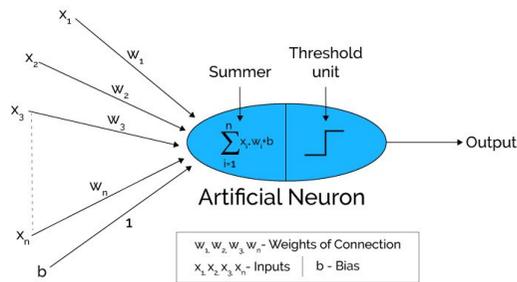


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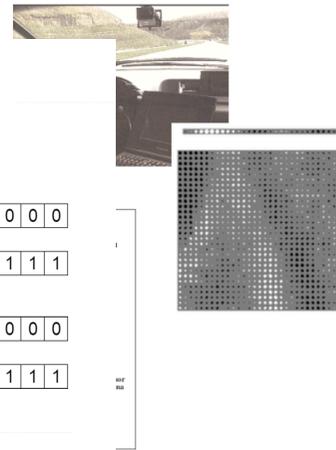
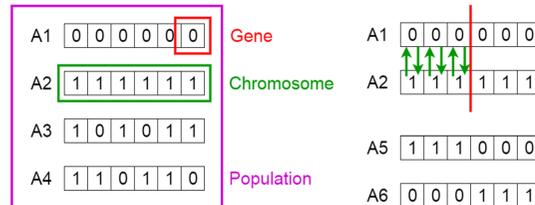
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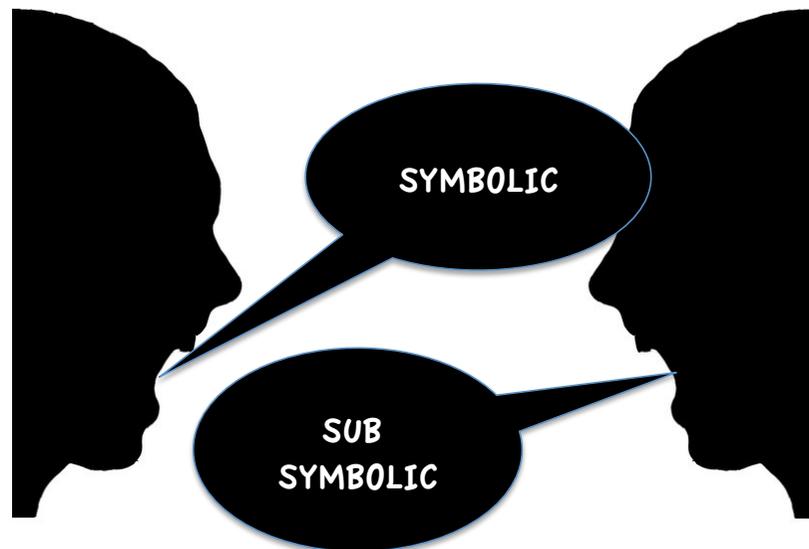
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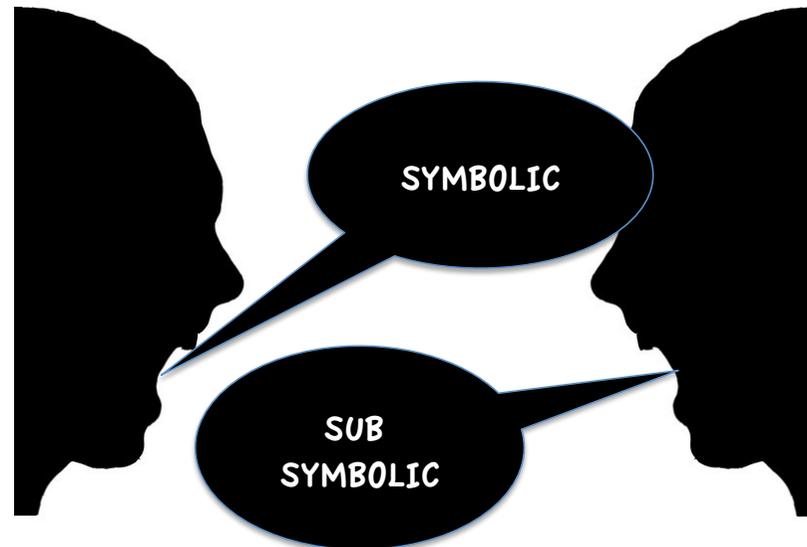
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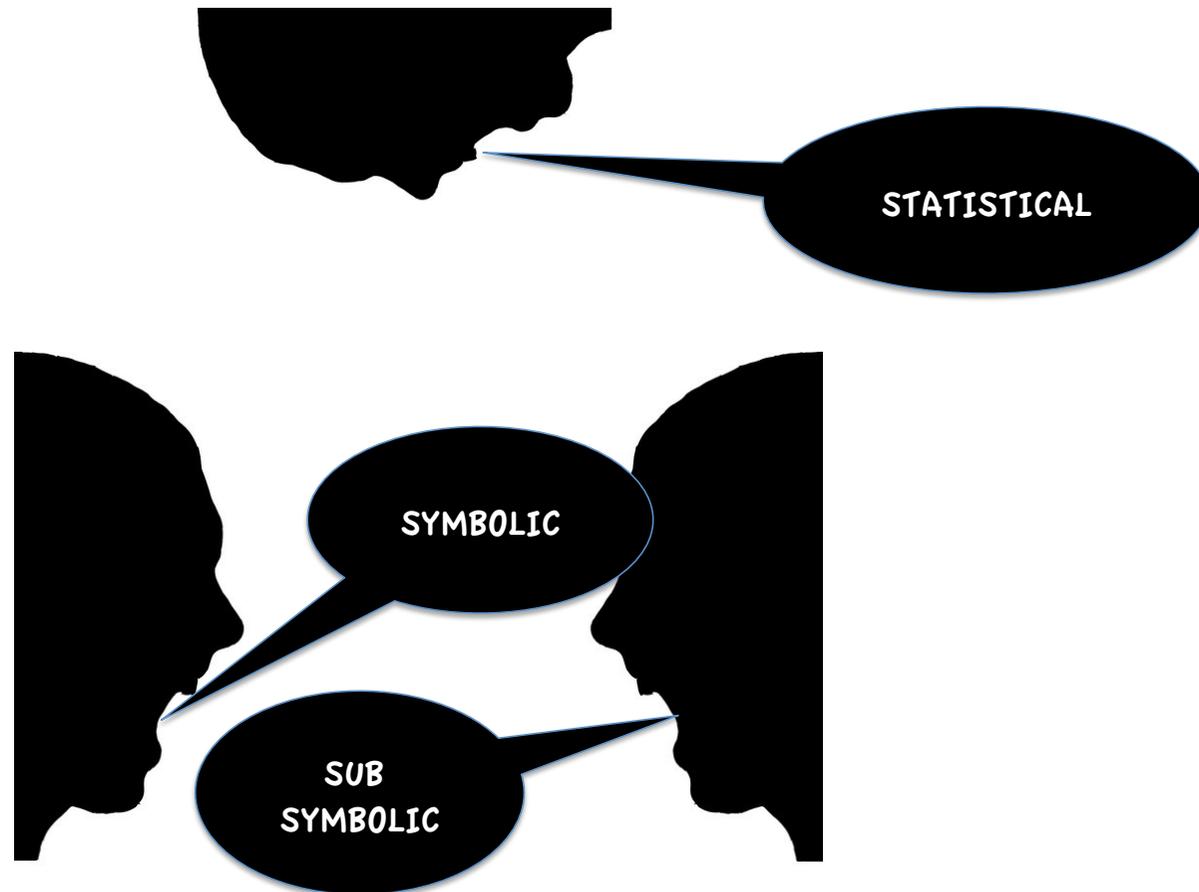


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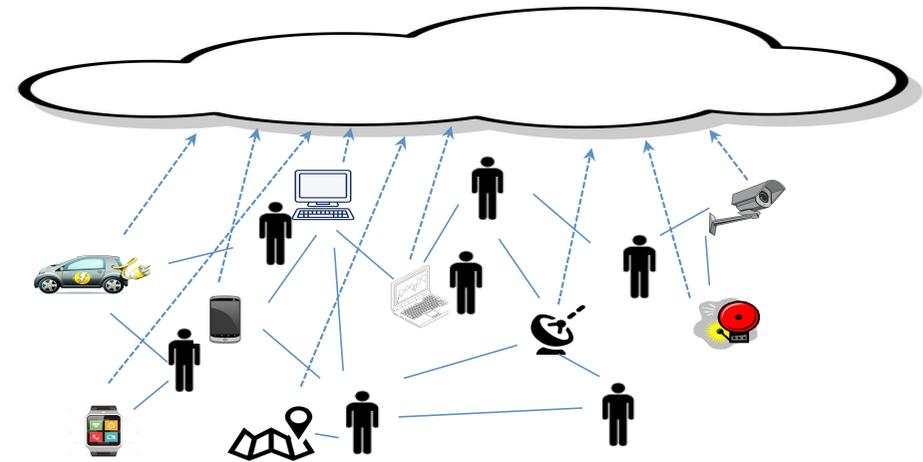
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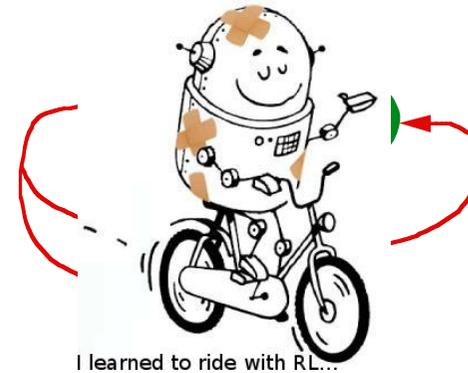
# Reinforcement Learning

What is it?

Learning from interaction

Learning about, from, and  
while interacting with an external environment

Learning what to do—how to map situations to actions—  
so as to maximize a numerical reward signal



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# Reinforcement Learning

- Trial and error but not random
- Performance is gradually improving
- Domain knowledge can be incorporated to speed up learning
- Theoretical guarantees on convergence

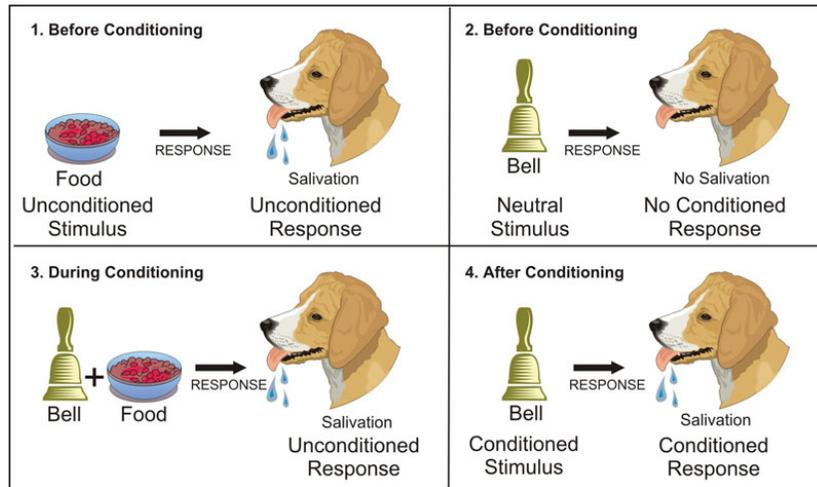


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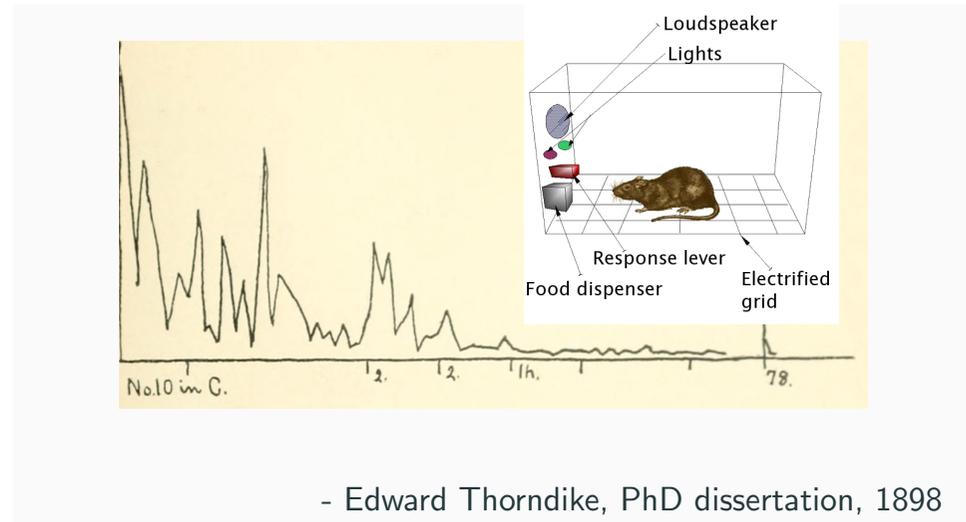
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# Reinforcement Learning

Inspired by Reinforcement Learning known in psychology.



Classical Conditioning



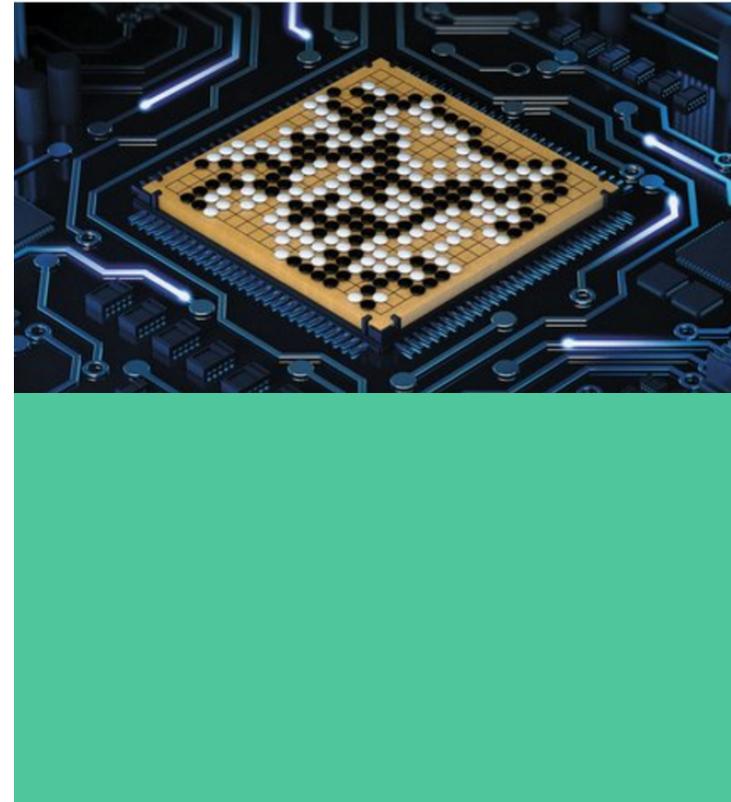
- Edward Thorndike, PhD dissertation, 1898

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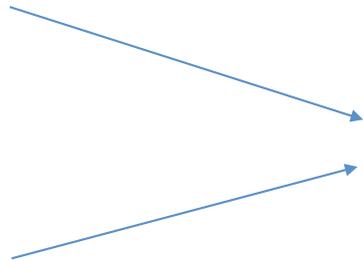
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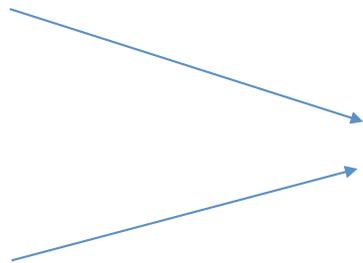
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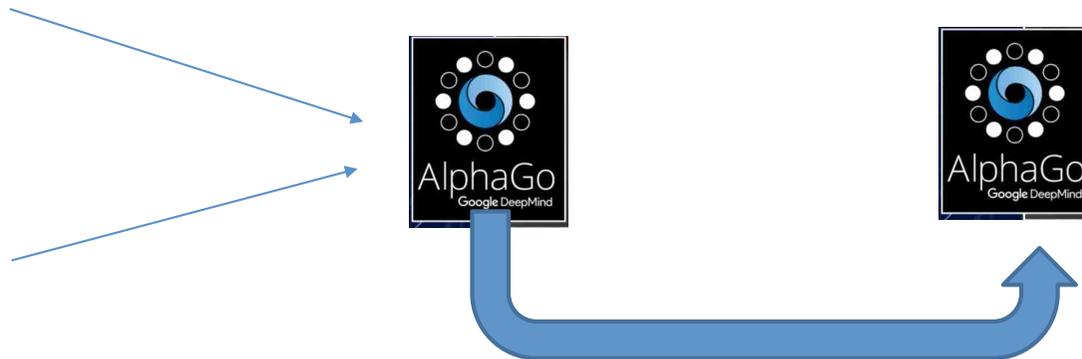
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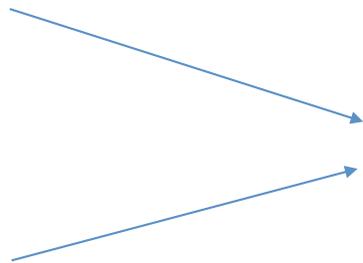
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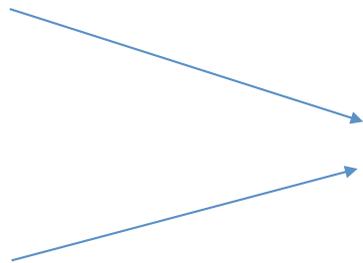
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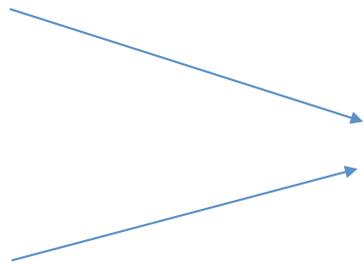
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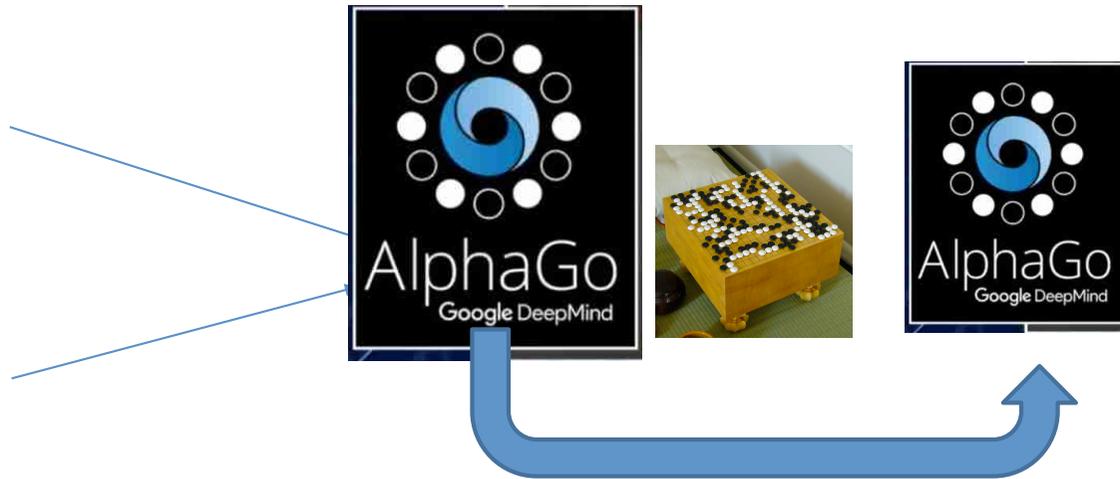
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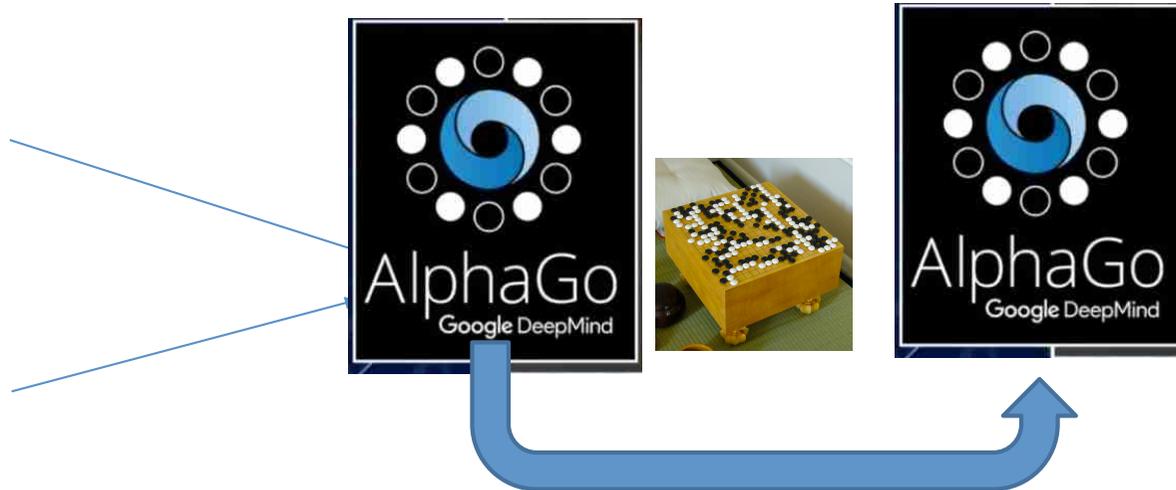
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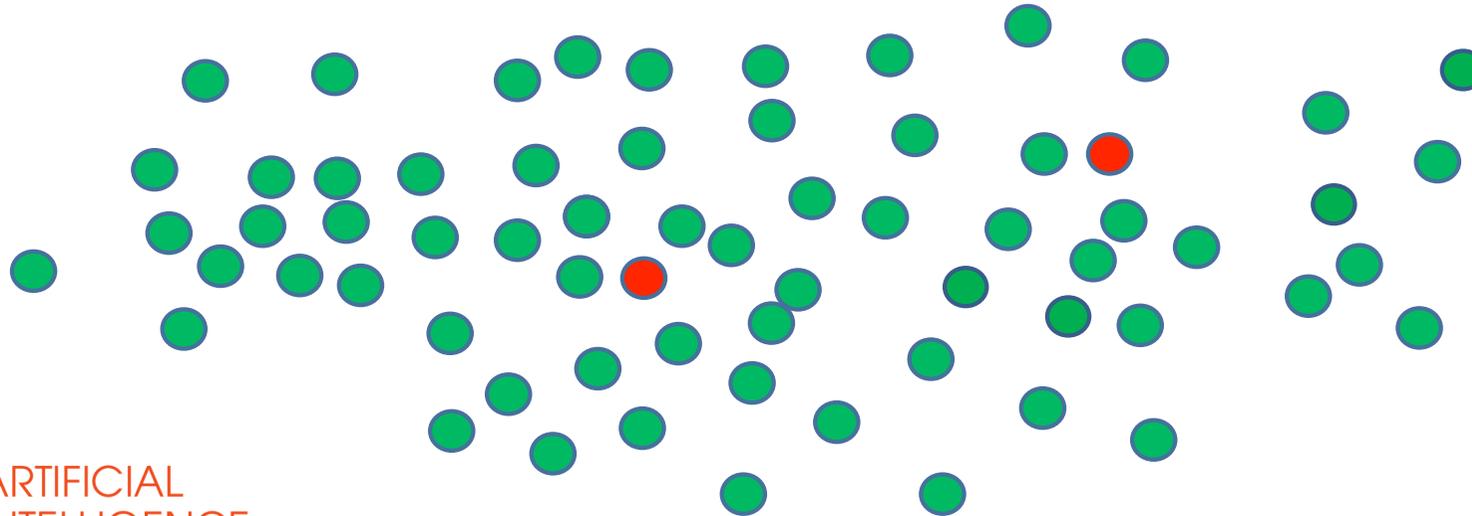
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Always predict “healthy” high accuracy but not useful. Other performance measures are needed.



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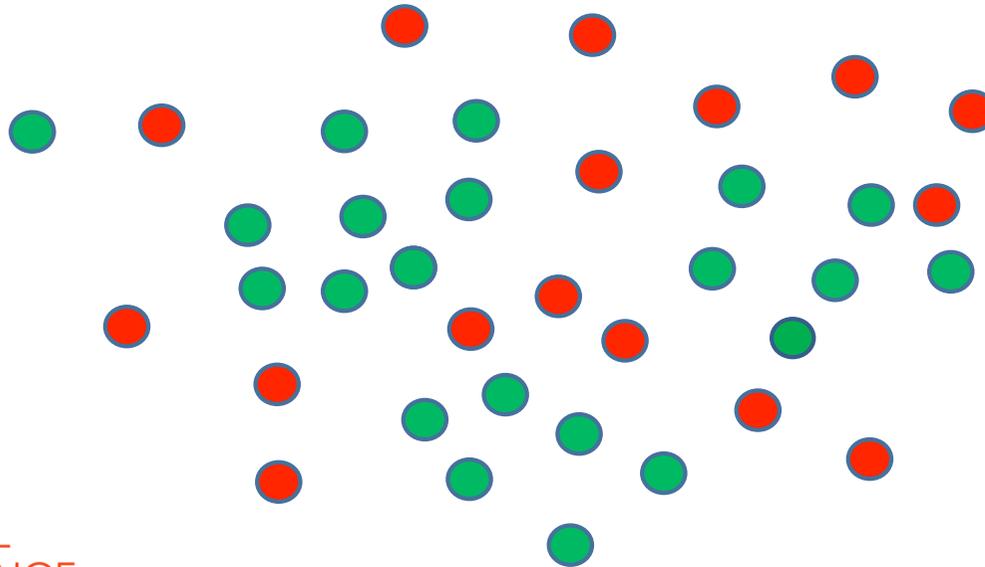
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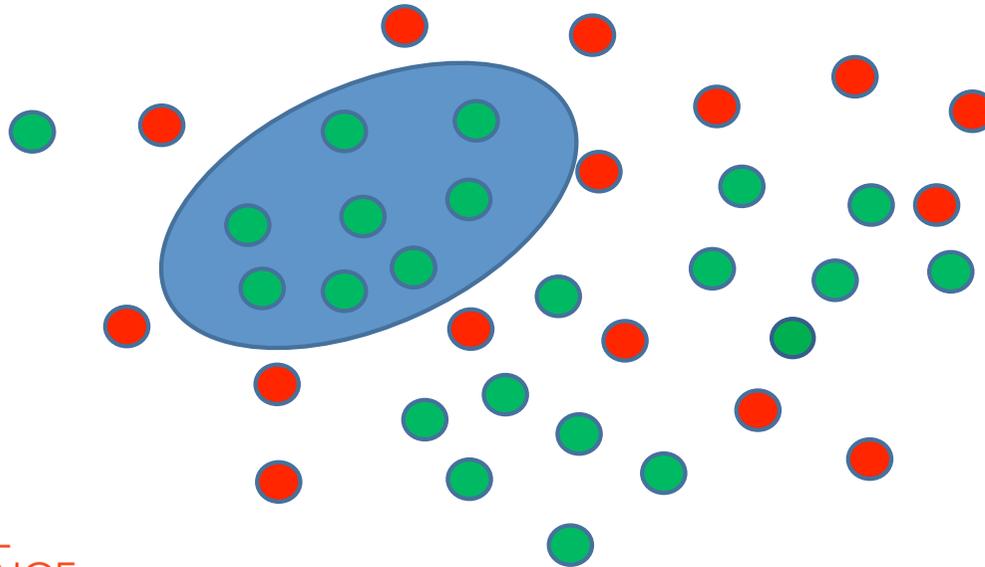
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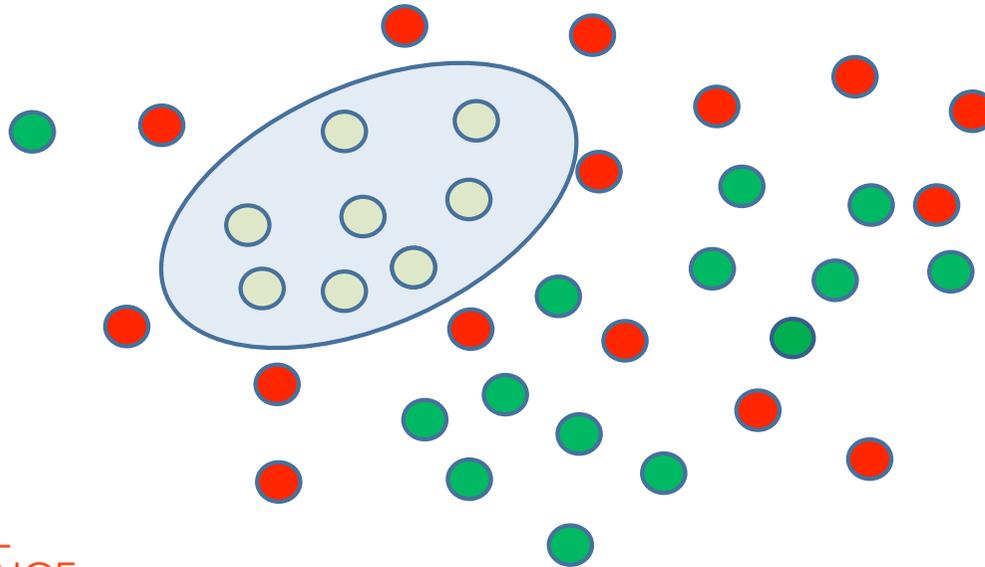
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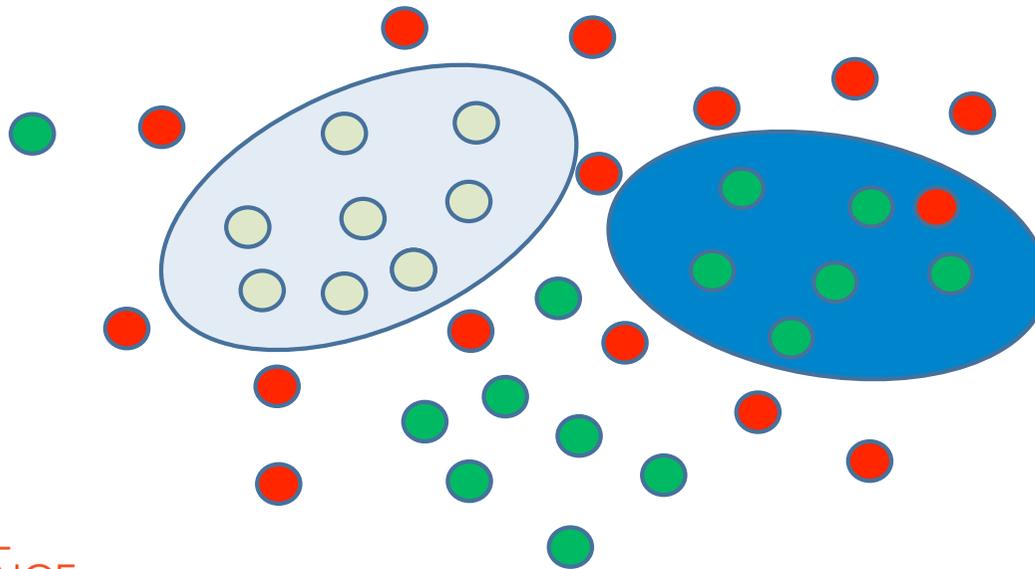
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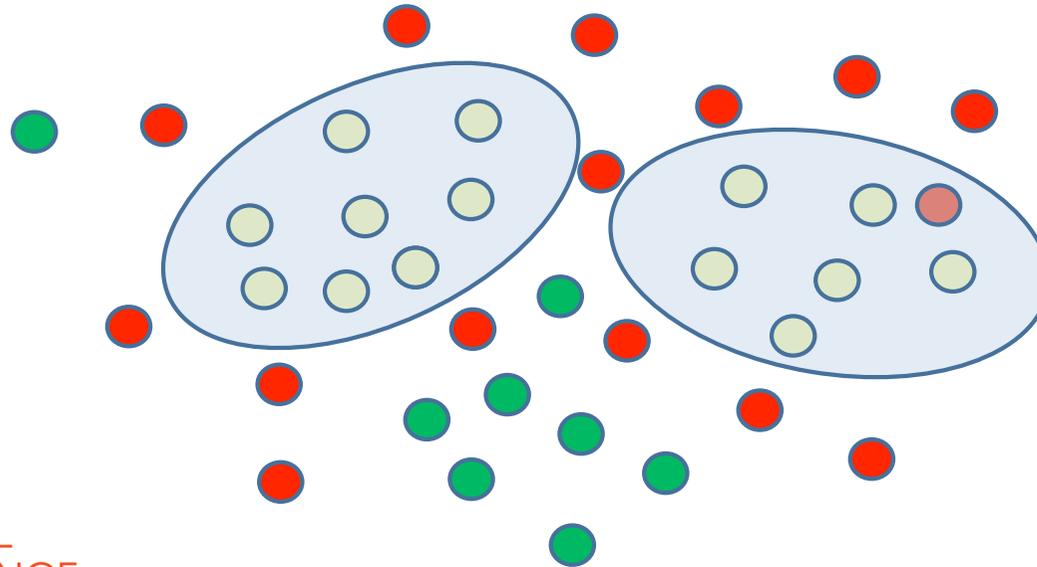
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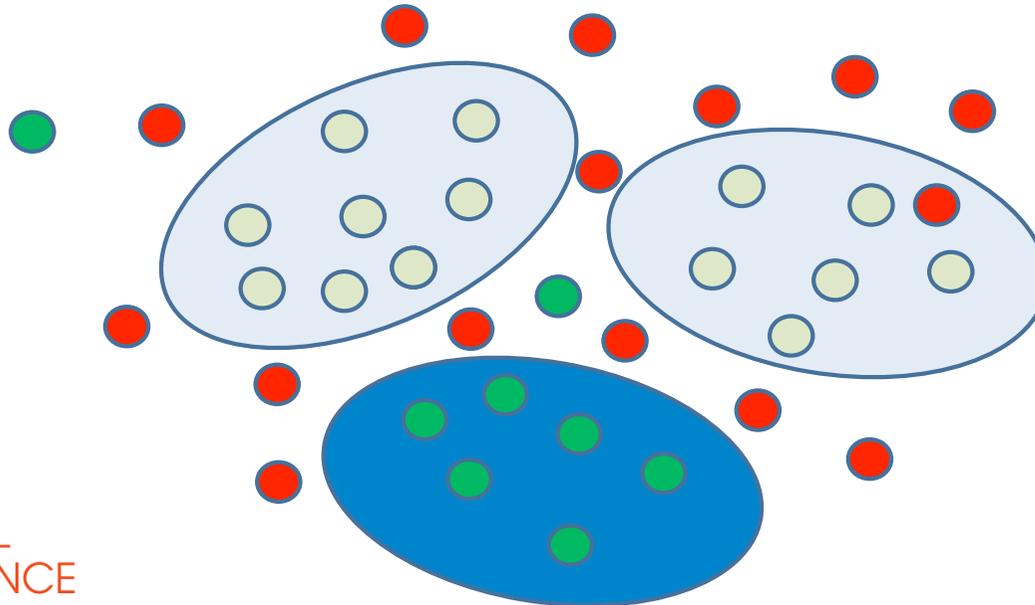
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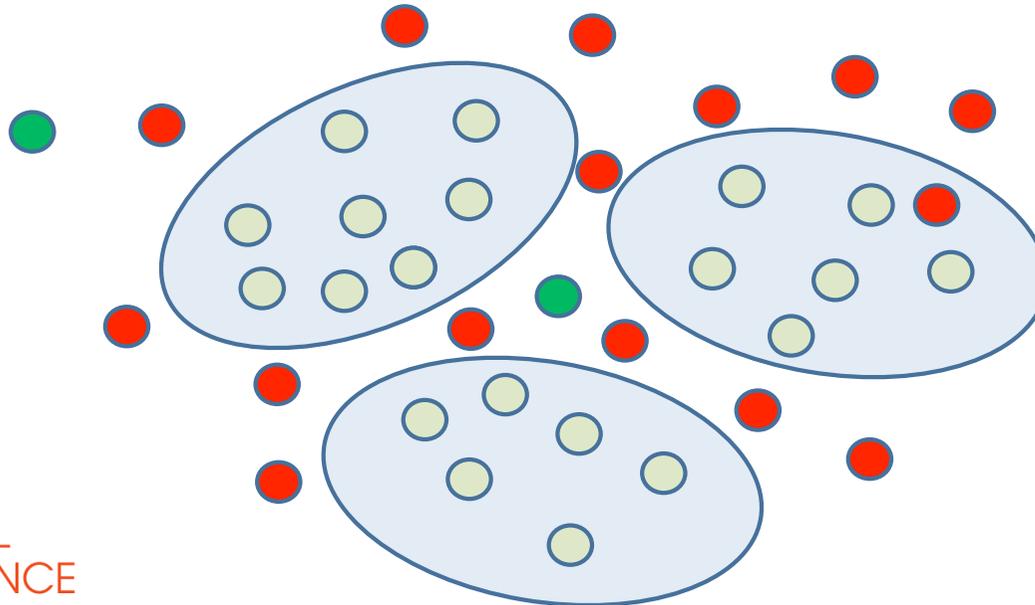
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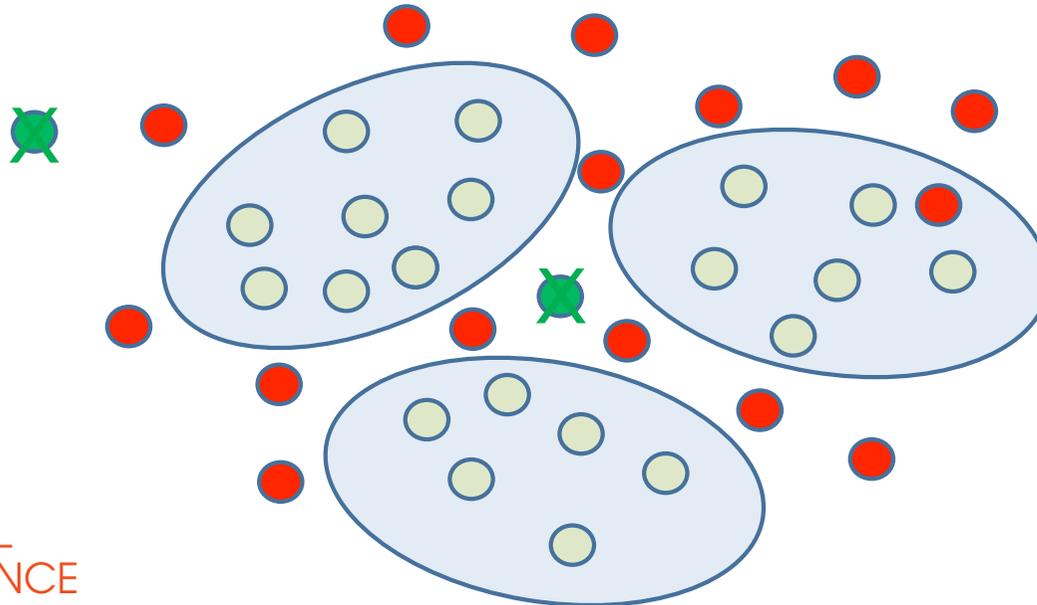
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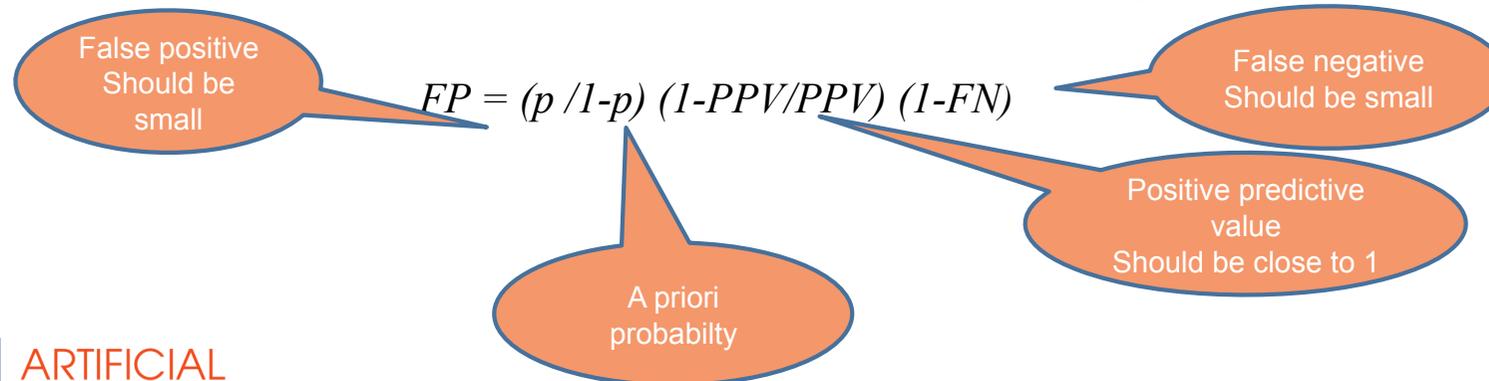
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# Explainable & Accountable AI

## General Data Protection Regulation GDPR

article 22, that will take effect in May 25 2018

all AI that has impact on human lives, will need to be explainable and accountable,

the interpretability of machine learning based models will be key  
for the usage of these models.

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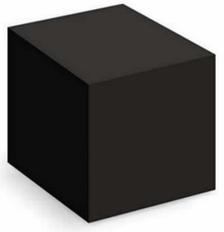
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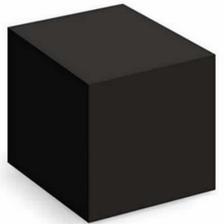
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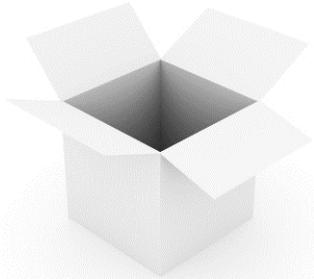
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White box  
Interpretable model  
Transparent model  
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