

The Future of AI

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“Artificial Intelligence”

The evolution of AI

General AI
Revolutionary

Broad AI
Disruptive and
Pervasive

Narrow AI
Emerging

▼ We are here

2050 and beyond

The evolution of AI

Narrow AI

Single task, single domain
Superhuman accuracy and
speed for certain tasks

Broad AI

Multi-task, multi-domain
Multi-modal
Distributed AI
Explainable

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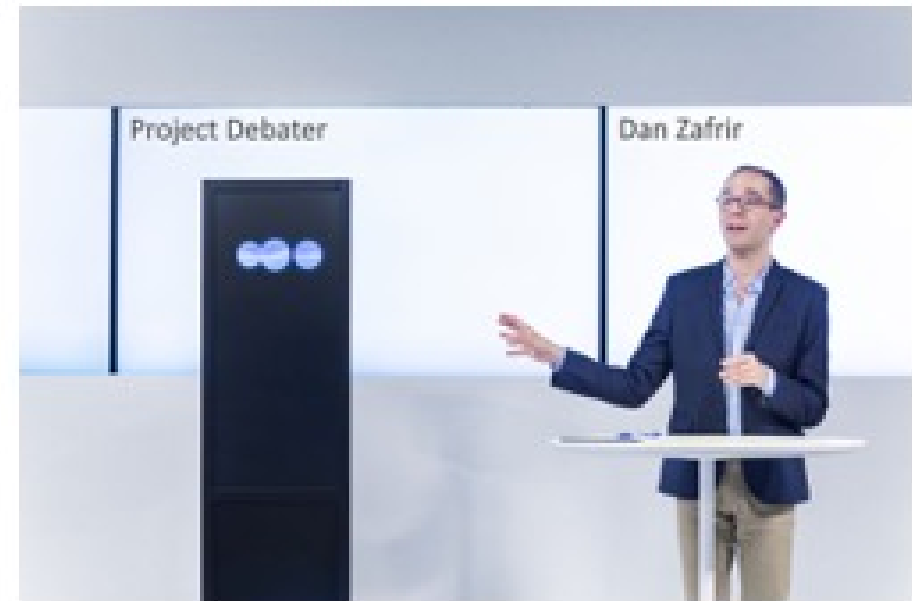
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man in black shirt is playing guitar.



construction worker in orange safety vest is working on road.





Gatys et al. 2015

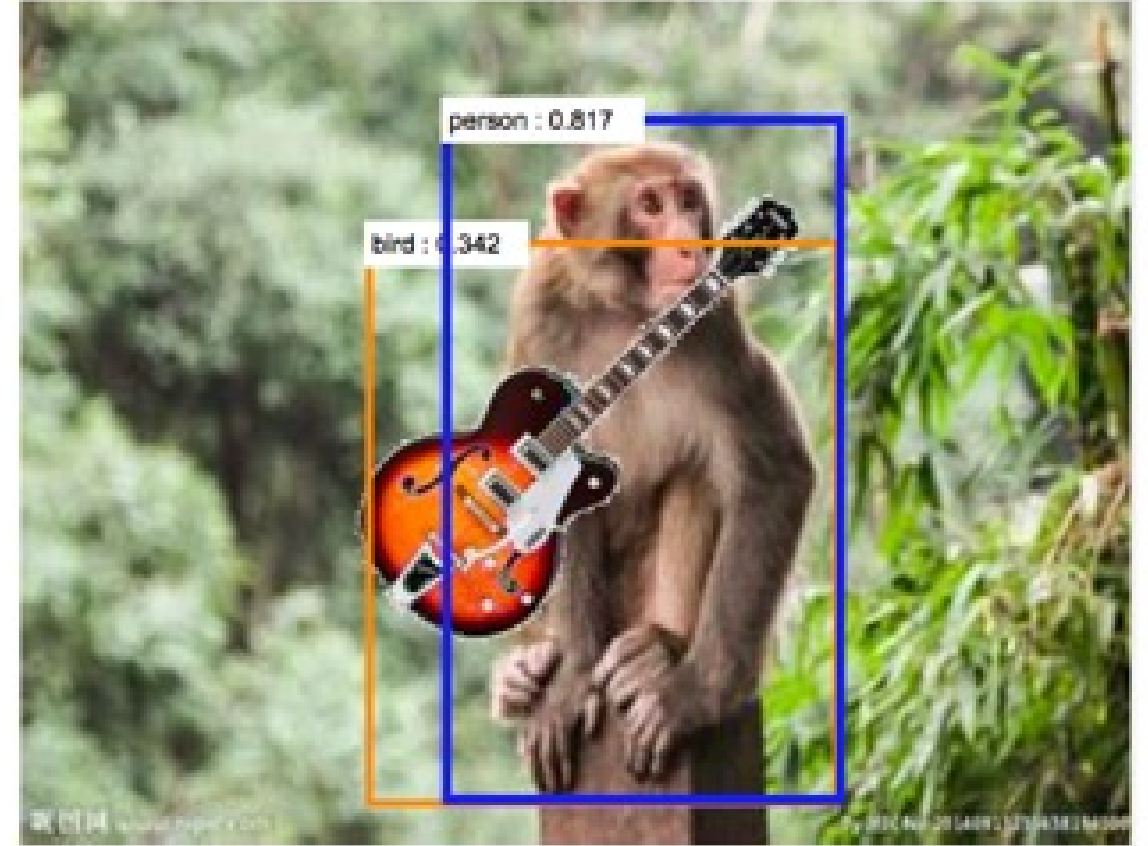
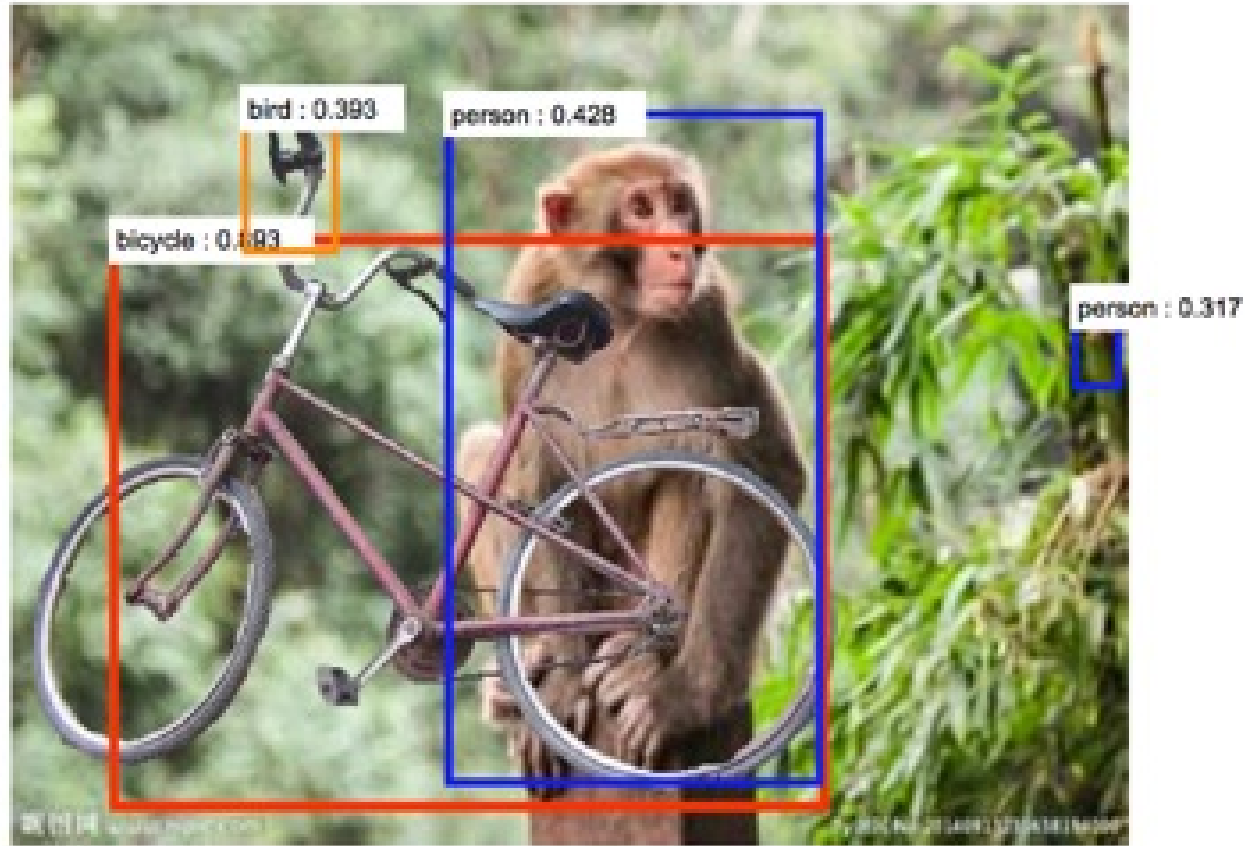


Brock et al. 2018

“Teddy Bear”



Meret Oppenheim, *Le Déjeuner en fourrure*



Wang et al. 2018



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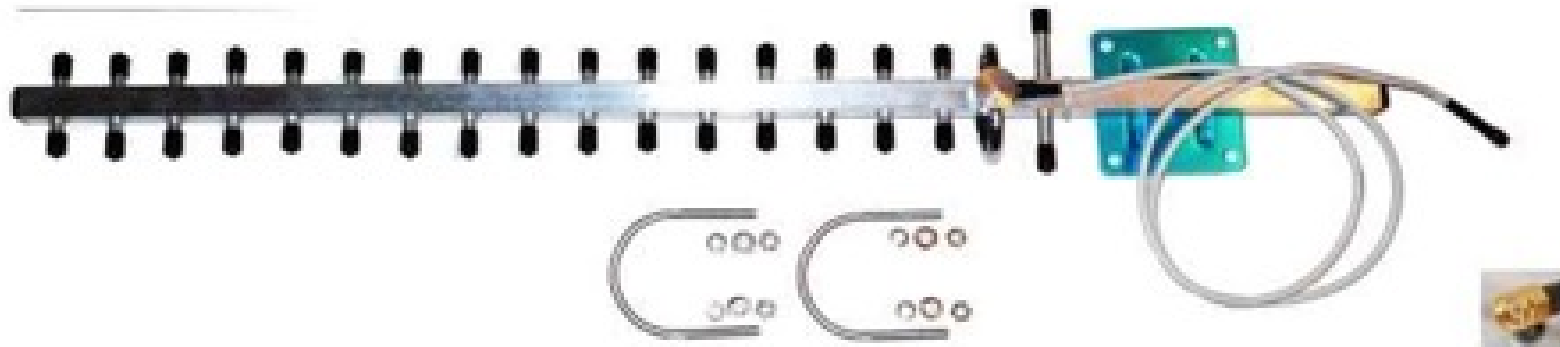
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a man riding a
motorcycle on a beach

Lake, Ullman, Tenenbaum & Gershman, 2016

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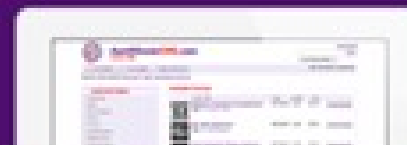




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fMRI, machine learning could predict OCD therapy outcomes



February 23, 2018 -- By analyzing resting-state functional MRI (fMRI) brain scans with a machine-learning algorithm, researchers at the University of California, Los Angeles may have devised a way to predict treatment outcomes for people with obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD), according to results



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51-year-old woman with incidental finding

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Recent Cases



15-year-old girl with persistent cough



83-year-old



Original Top-3 inferred captions:

1. A red stop sign sitting on the side of a road.
2. A stop sign on the corner of a street.
3. A red stop sign sitting on the side of a street.



Pin-yu Chen
IBM



Adversarial Top-3 captions:

1. A brown teddy bear laying on top of a bed.
2. A brown teddy bear sitting on top of a bed.
3. A large brown teddy bear laying on top of a bed.

The path to Broad AI

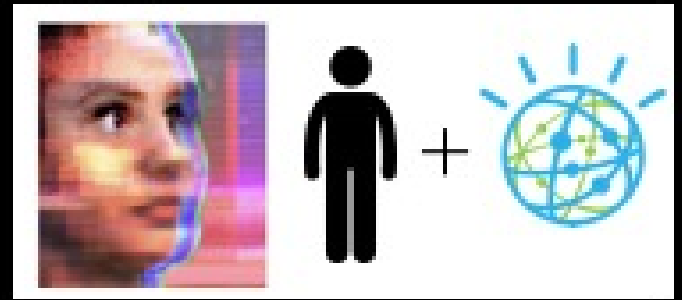
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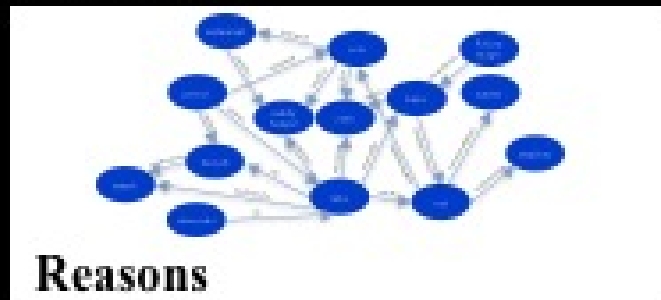


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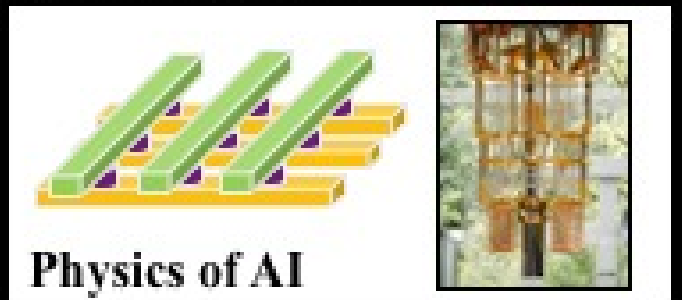
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Physics of AI

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AI

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DATA

AI

AI

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By the numbers....

\$240m investment

Roughly **100** full-time equivalent researchers
(60 MIT / 40 IBM), working on **50** projects

10 year time horizon

**What's coming in the next few
years in AI?**

The path to Broad AI

1. Extend

2. Understand

3. Accelerate

Understand

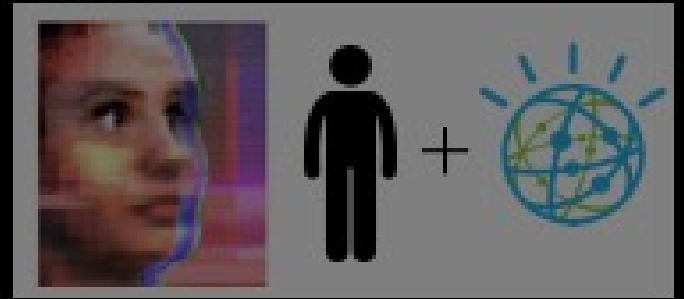
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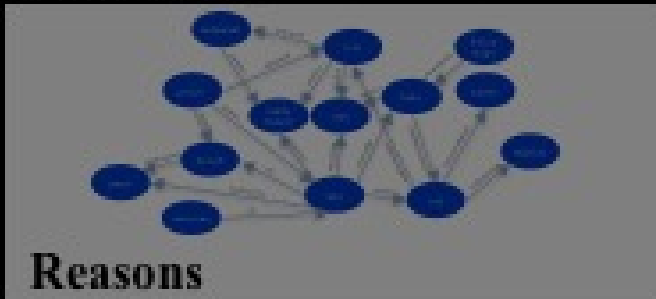
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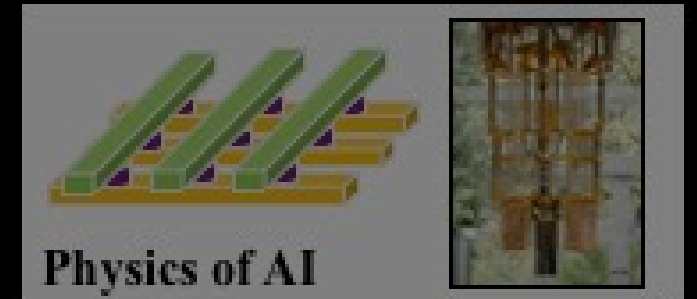
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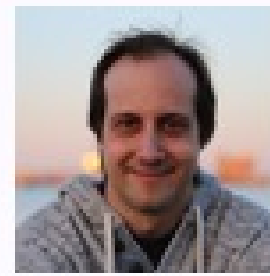


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Errors in Artificial Neural Networks

Debugging neural networks enables trust and transparency



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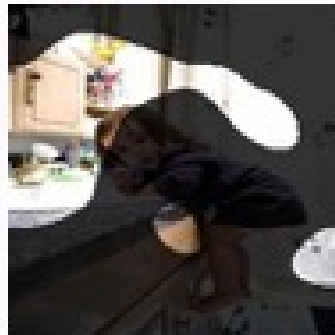


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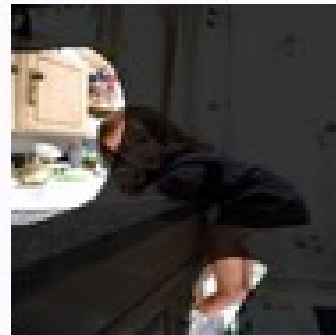


AI: Washing dishes
Truth: Brushing teeth

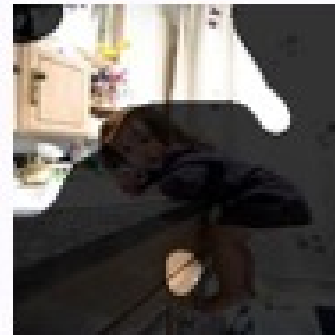
neuron 1679:
Bathroom



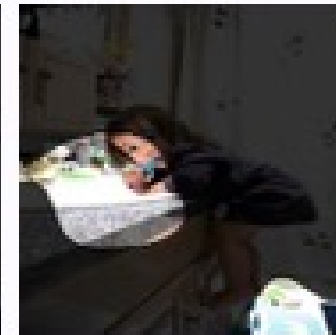
neuron 867:
Kitchen



neuron 1749:
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neuron 795:
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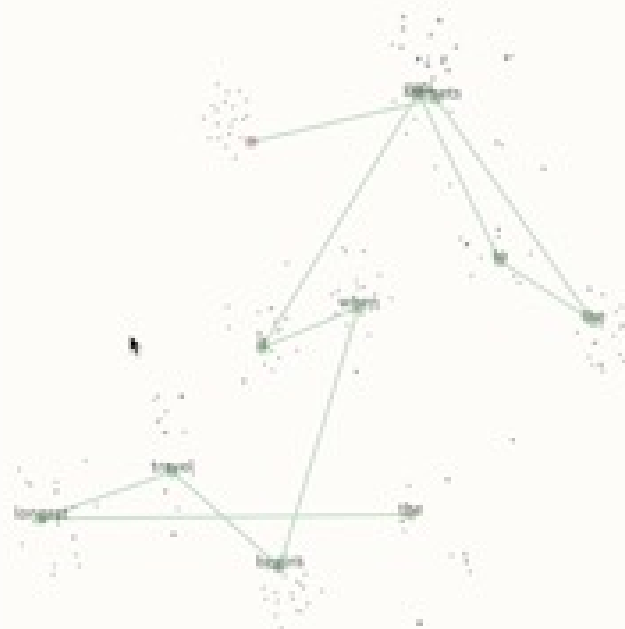
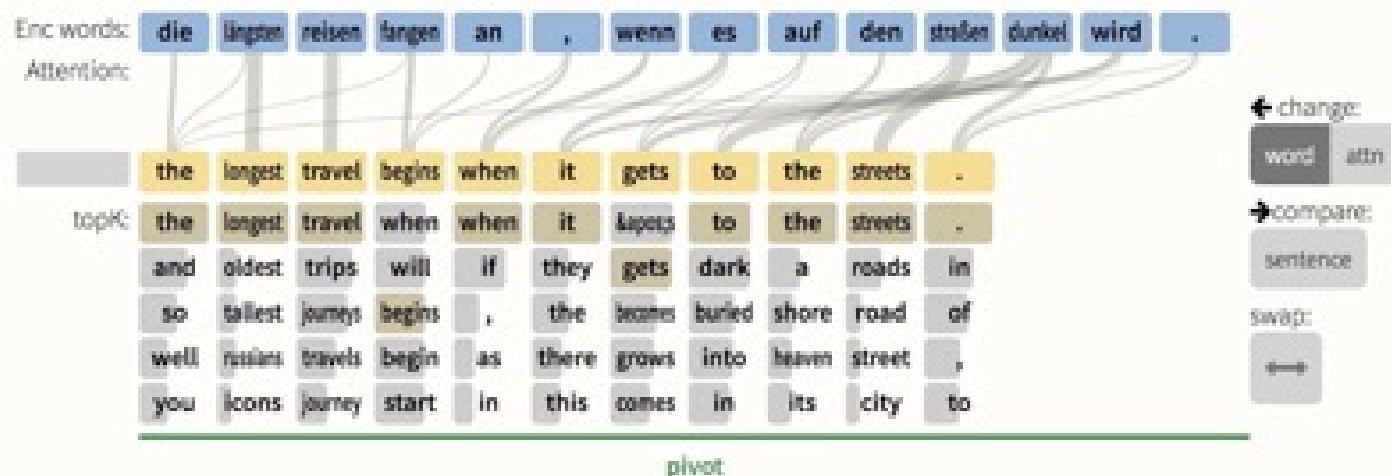
neuron 1978:
Person



Network confused about the scene and did not detect the brush.

Seq2Seq Vis

die längsten reisen fangen an , wenn es auf den straßen dunkel wird .



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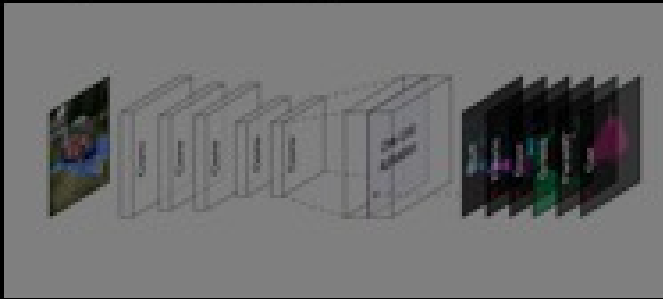


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Extend

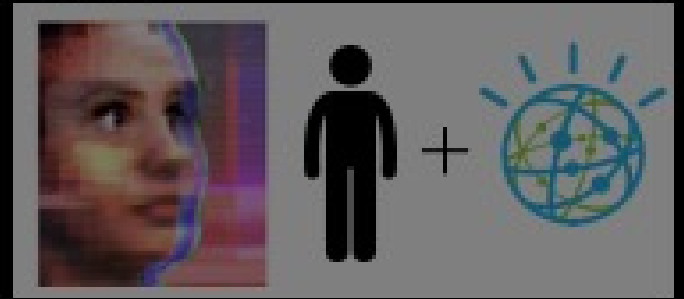
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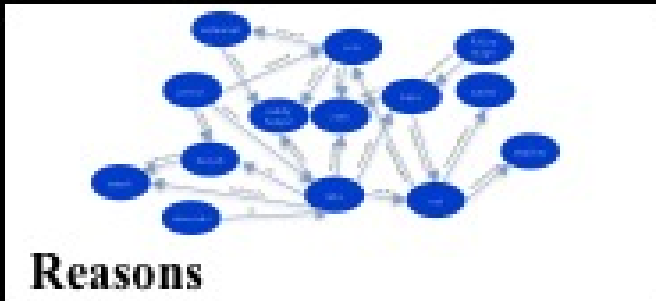
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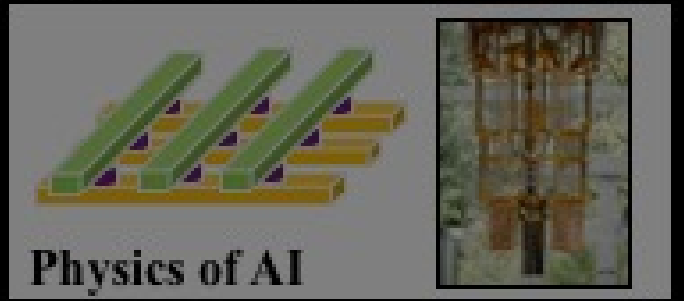
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Methods for Exploiting Unlabeled Data in Supervised Learning

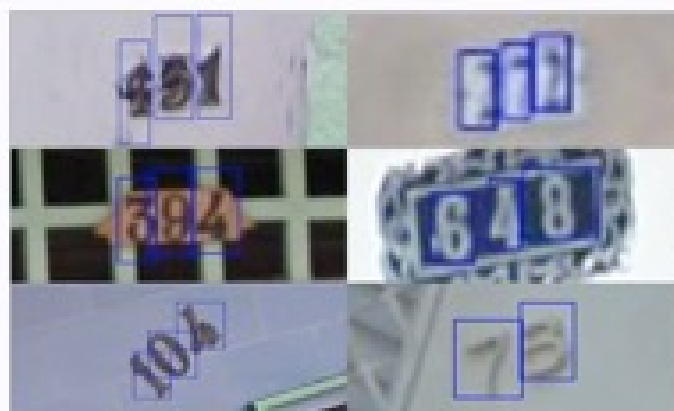
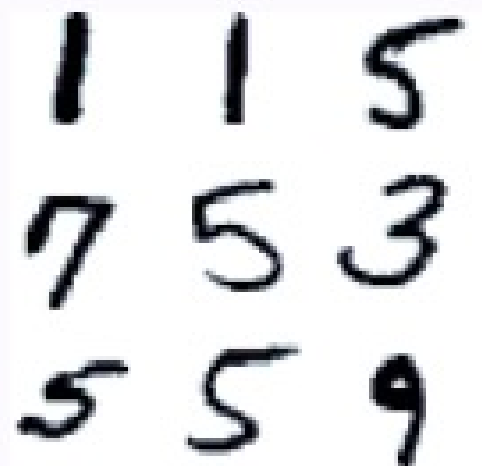
Doing more with less annotation



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What's coming in the next 3-5 years?



How many blocks are on the right of the three-level tower?



Will the block tower fall if the top block is removed?



What is the shape of the object closest to the large cylinder?



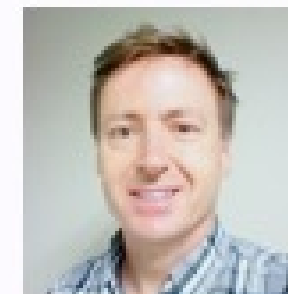
Are there more trees than animals?

Neuro-symbolic Program Induction

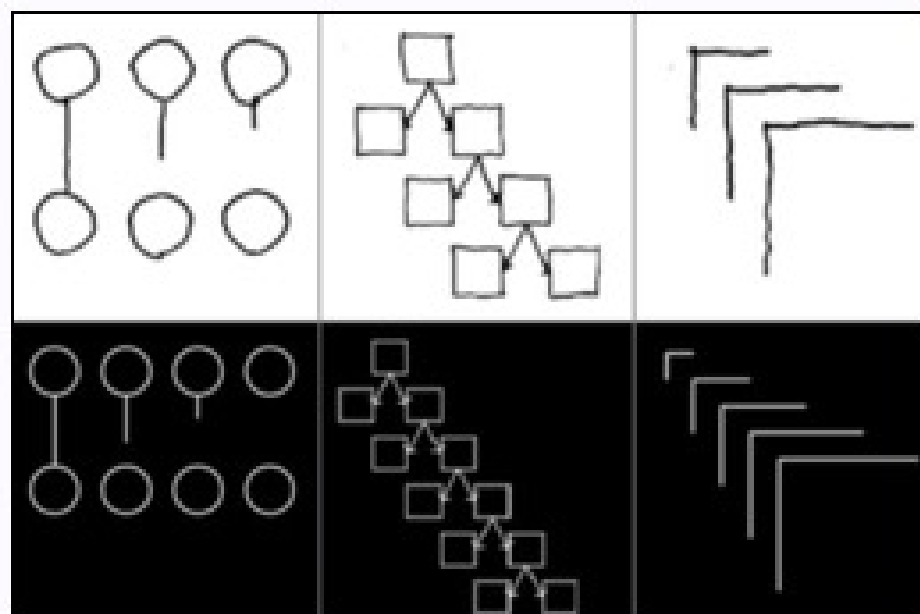
Inferring generative neural *programs* from data to enable reasoning on complex data and enhance explainability of AI



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Top row: hand drawn figures
bottom row: outputs of inferred generative programs

Diego Castillo & Isabel Foster, 2006	→	Castillo et al. (2006)
Felix Nugee, 2000		Nugee (2000)
Lauren Dodi and Umair Ahmed, 1998		Dodi et al. (1998)

Inferring text transformation programs from examples, to clean and standardize data, reason about complicated structured text, enhance explainability



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Vision (CNN)

Structured Representation

I. Scene Parsing (de-rendering)

Language (RNN)

Symbolic Program

ID	Size	Shape	Material	Color	x	y	z
1	Small	Cube	Metal	Purple	-0.45	-1.10	0.35
2	Large	Cube	Rubber	Blue	0.83	-0.04	0.70
3	Large	Cube	Metal	Green	0.60	0.63	0.70
4	Small	Cylinder	Rubber	Purple	0.75	1.31	0.35
5	Large	Cube	Metal	Green	1.58	-1.60	0.70

III. Program Execution							
1. filter_shape				3. filter_shape			
2. relate				4. filter_size			
				5. count			
ID	Size	Shape	Material	Color	x	y	z
1	Small	Cube	...	...	...	...	...
2	Large	Cube	...	...	...	...	...
3	Large	Cube	...	...	...	...	...
5	Large	Cube	...	...	...	...	...

Answer: 3

Methods	Count	Exist	Compare Number	Compare Attribute	Query Attribute	Overall
Humans [Johnson et al., 2017b]	86.7	96.6	86.4	96.0	95.0	92.6
CNN+LSTM+SA+MLP [Johnson et al., 2017b]	59.7	77.9	75.1	70.8	80.9	73.2
N2NMN* [Hu et al., 2017]	68.5	85.7	84.9	88.7	90.0	83.7
Dependency Tree [Cao et al., 2018]	81.4	94.2	81.6	97.1	90.5	89.3
CNN+LSTM+RN [Santoro et al., 2017]	90.1	97.8	93.6	97.1	97.9	95.5
IEP* [Johnson et al., 2017b]	92.7	97.1	98.7	98.9	98.1	96.9
CNN+GRU+CBN [Perez et al., 2018]	94.5	99.2	93.8	99.0	99.2	97.6
DDRprog* [Suarez et al., 2018]	96.5	98.8	98.4	99.0	99.1	98.3
MAC [Hudson and Manning, 2018]	97.1	99.5	99.1	99.5	99.5	98.9
TbD+reg+hres* [Mascharka et al., 2018]	97.6	99.2	99.4	99.6	99.5	99.1
Ours (100 programs)	54.0	81.0	50.2	59.5	75.4	66.0
Ours (200 programs)	84.6	91.3	72.9	85.9	88.7	86.1
Ours (500 programs)	99.7	99.9	99.9	99.8	99.8	99.8

Table 1: Our model outperforms current state-of-the-art methods on CLEVR and achieves near-perfect question answering accuracy. (*): training relies on all program annotations (700k).

Effectively
perfect!

Causal Inference

Beyond Correlation—inferring and testing for causal relationships in complex systems



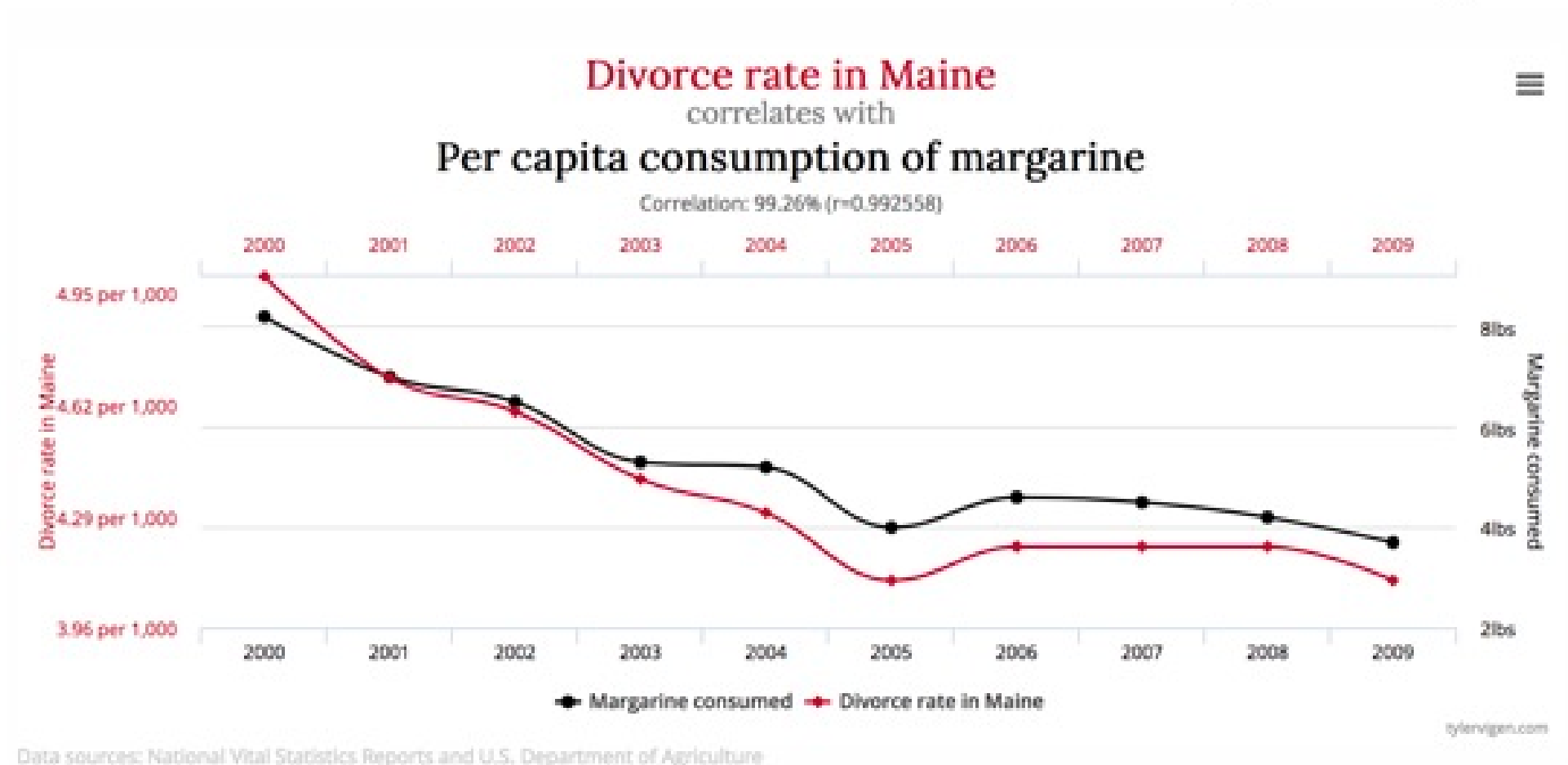
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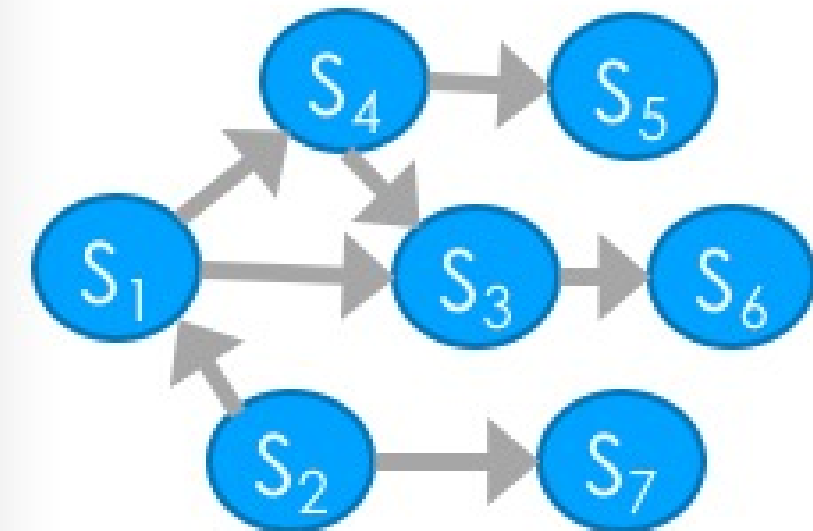
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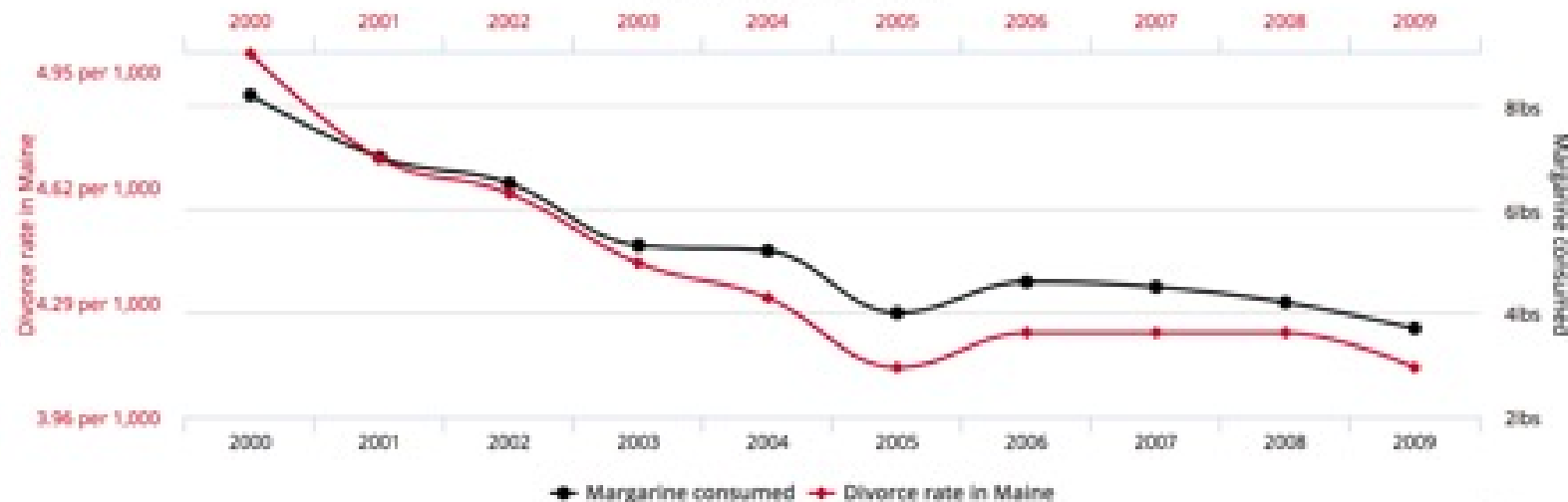
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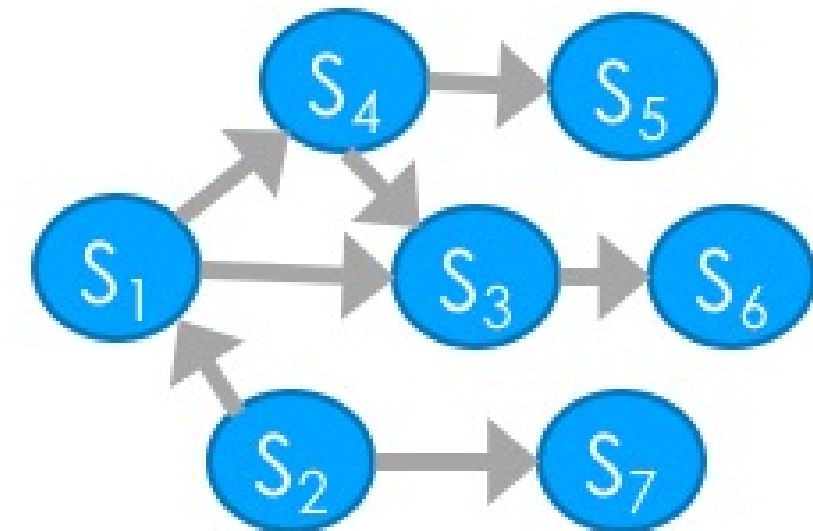
Divorce rate in Maine
correlates with
Per capita consumption of margarine

Correlation: 99.26% ($r=0.992558$)



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<http://tylervigen.com/spurious-correlations>

Using AI to Accelerate Protein Design and Discovery

One third of global food production goes to waste because of spoilage. Can we use AI to design proteins to prevent that?



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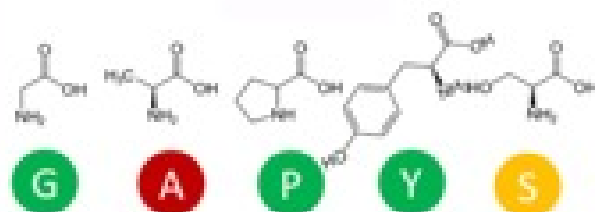


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Protein Synthesis



Amino Acid
(building block)



Structure
(AA sequence with
distinct 3D organization)



Protein
(distinct sequence of
amino acid providing specific
structure and function)

Analogy to Text

d g u s t

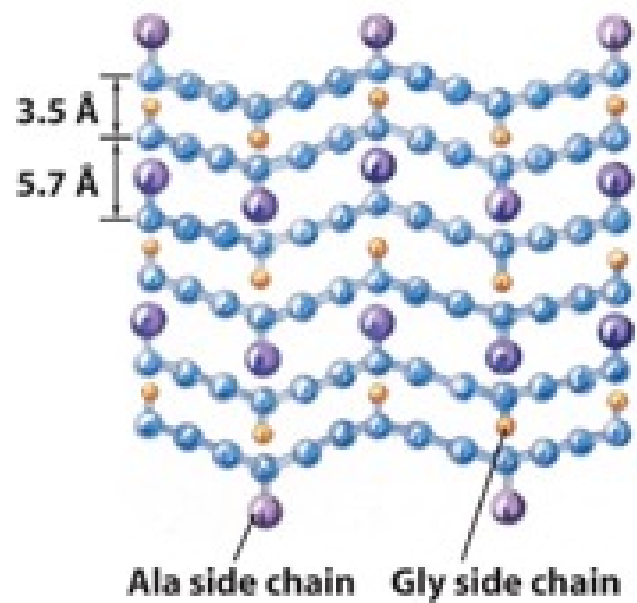
Letter
(building block)

dog sit couch

Word
(letter sequence with
distinct meaning)



Paragraph
(distinct section of a
document dealing with
a specific topic)



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As picked

Non coated



Day 7



Coated



Protein2Drug: Generative AI for Drug Design

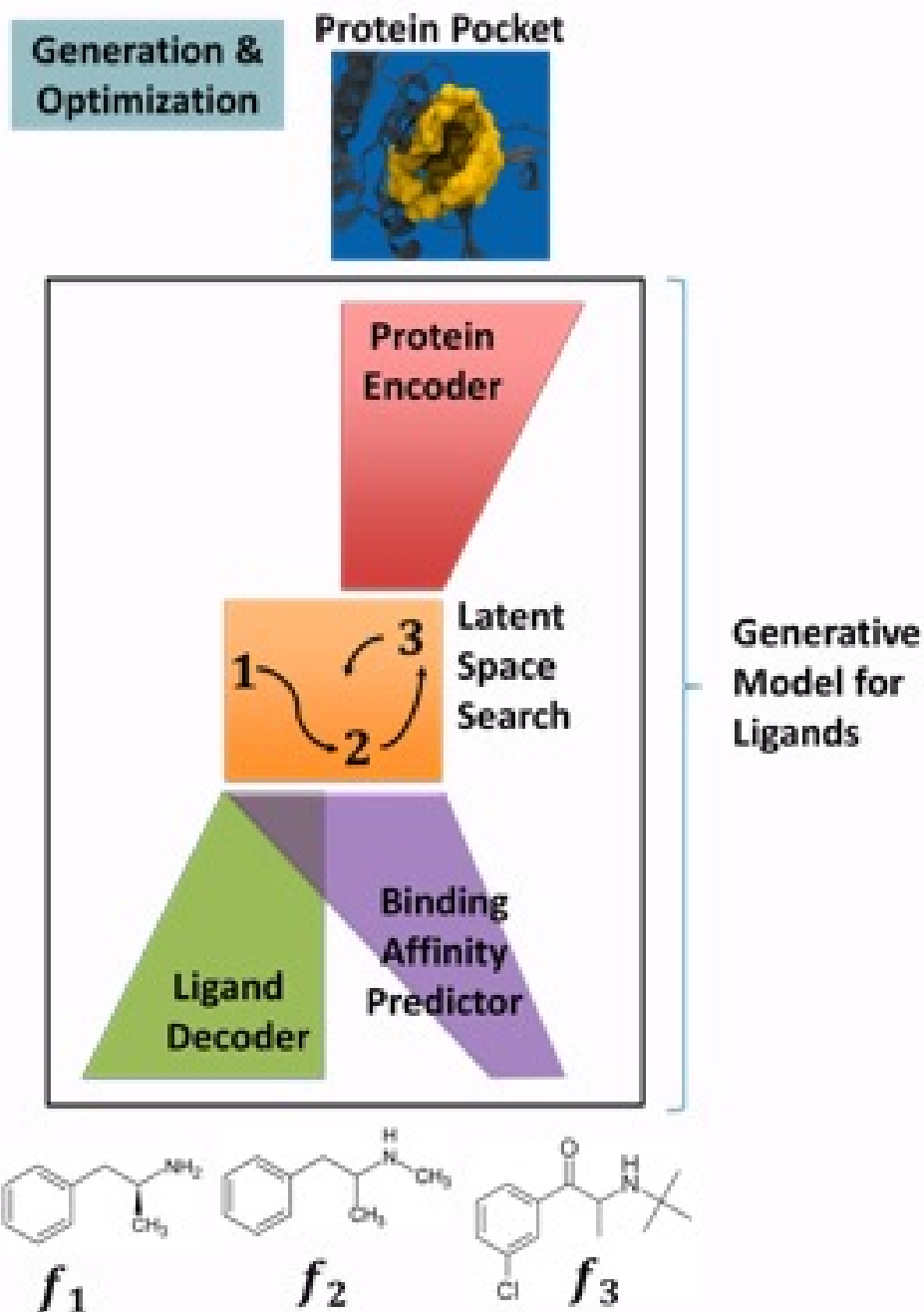
How can we use powerful new generative neural network techniques to generate drugs tailored to targeting specific binding pockets



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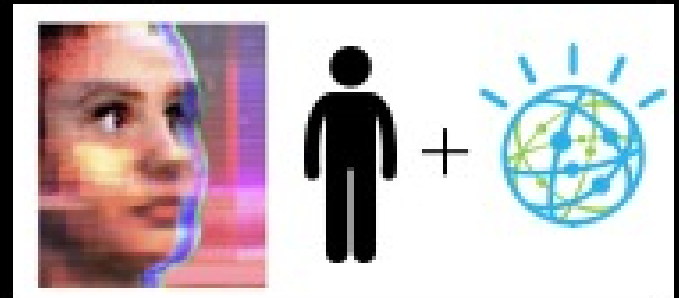
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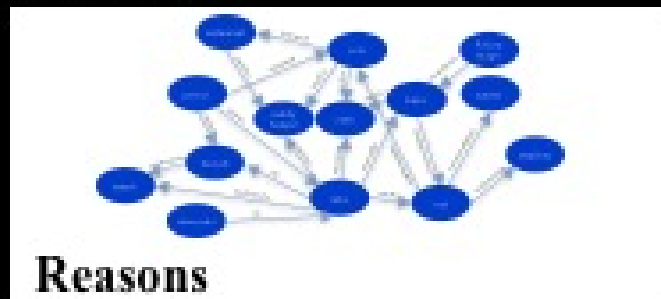


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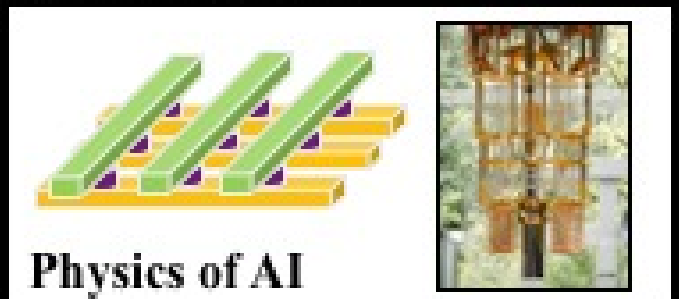
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