#### Artificial Intelligence in Finance at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

## **Course Infomation**

- Course web:
  - http://aifin-hkust.github.io/2020/
- Time:
  - Every Tuesday, 3:00-5:50pm
- Venue:
  - Zoom Meetings: <u>https://hkust.zoom.us/j/933177593</u>
  - Until new notification
- Instructors:
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## MAFS 6010U: Artificial Intelligence in Finance

#### **Module Description**

This course explores the basic concepts and underlying principles of artificial intelligence (AI), delving into the **fundamentals of machine learning** with insights from **case studies** of relevant technologies.

Allowing for the **experimentation of applications** of machine learning, this course is designed to encourage students to devise creative ways to **put readilyavailable AI technologies to use to tackle problems in real life**.

#### **Course Focus**

The module aims to provide students with an understanding of artificial intelligence through:

- Examining the history as well as key concepts and theories of AI and the enablers of the technology
- Reviewing various types of neural networks, and analyzing the relevant use cases of Al across industry verticals, including robotic process automation, finance, cybersecurity, computer vision, and autonomous driving

# Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning

• Al is born in 1950s, when a handful of pioneers from the nascent field of computer science started asking whether computers could be made to "think" — a question whose ramifications we're still exploring today.



Machine Learning is a new paradigm of computer programming

- During 1950s-1980s, two competitive ideas of realizing AI exist
  - Rule based inference, or called Expert System
  - Statistics based inference, or called Machine Learning
- 1990s- Machine Learning becomes dominant



# The 1<sup>st</sup> machine learning method: Least Squares

- Invention:
  - Carl Friederich Gauss (~1795/1809/1810),
  - Adrien-Marie Legendre (1805)
  - Robert Adrain (1808)
- Application:
  - Prediction of the location of asteroid Ceres after it emerged from behind the sun (Franz Xaver von Zach 1801)
  - Orbits of planets, Newton Laws
  - Statistics,







# A Brief History of Neural Networks

(Deep Learning)

#### Perceptron: single-layer

Invented by Frank Rosenblatt (1957)





#### The Perceptron Algorithm for classification

$$\ell(w) = -\sum_{i \in \mathcal{M}_w} y_i \langle w, \mathbf{x}_i \rangle, \quad \mathcal{M}_w = \{i : y_i \langle \mathbf{x}_i, w \rangle < 0, y_i \in \{-1, 1\}\}.$$

The Perceptron Algorithm is a Stochastic Gradient Descent method (Robbins-Monro 1951):

$$w_{t+1} = w_t - \eta_t \nabla_i \ell(w)$$
  
= 
$$\begin{cases} w_t - \eta_t y_i \mathbf{x}_i, & \text{if } y_i w_t^T \mathbf{x}_i < 0, \\ w_t, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

### Finiteness of Stopping Time and Margin

The perceptron convergence theorem was proved by Block (1962) and Novikoff (1962). The following version is based on that in Cristianini and Shawe-Taylor (2000).

**Theorem 1** (Block, Novikoff). Let the training set  $S = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, t_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_n, t_n)\}$  be contained in a sphere of radius R about the origin. Assume the dataset to be linearly separable, and let  $\mathbf{w}_{opt}$ ,  $||\mathbf{w}_{opt}|| = 1$ , define the hyperplane separating the samples, having functional margin  $\gamma > 0$ . We initialise the normal vector as  $\mathbf{w}_0 = \mathbf{0}$ . The number of updates, k, of the perceptron algorithms is then bounded by



#### Hilbert's 13th Problem

Algebraic equations (under a suitable transformation) of degree up to 6 can be solved by functions of two variables. What about

 $x^7 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + 1 = 0?$ 

Hilbert's conjecture: x(a, b, c) cannot be expressed by a superposition (sums and compositions) of bivariate functions.

**Question:** can every continuous (analytic,  $C^{\infty}$ , etc) function of *n* variables be represented as a superposition of continuous (analytic,  $C^{\infty}$ , etc) functions of n - 1 variables?

#### Theorem (D. Hilbert)

There is an analytic function of three variables that cannot be expressed as a superposition of bivariate ones.





### Kolmogorov's Superposition Theorem

Theorem (A. Kolmogorov, 1956; V. Arnold, 1957) Given  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , every  $f_0 \in C([0,1]^n)$  can be represented as

$$f_0(x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n) = \sum_{q=1}^{2n+1} g_q \left( \sum_{p=1}^n \phi_{pq}(x_p) \right),$$

where  $\phi_{pq} \in C[0,1]$  are increasing functions independent of  $f_0$  and  $g_q \in C[0,1]$  depend on  $f_0$ .

- Can choose  $g_q$  to be all the same  $g_q \equiv g$  (Lorentz, 1966).
- Can choose  $\phi_{pq}$  to be Hölder or Lipschitz continuous, but not  $C^1$  (Fridman, 1967).
- Can choose  $\phi_{pq} = \lambda_p \phi_q$  where  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n > 0$  and  $\sum_p \lambda_p = 1$  (Sprecher, 1972).

If *f* is a multivariate continuous function, then *f* can be written as a superposition of composite functions of mixtures of continuous functions of single variables: finite <u>composition</u> of continuous functions of a <u>single variable</u> and the <u>addition</u>.

# Kolmogorov's Exact Representation is not stable or smooth



Figure 1: The network representation of an improved version of Kolmogorov's theorem, due to Kahane (1975). The figure shows the case of a bivariate function. The Kahane's representation formula is  $f(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = \sum_{q=1}^{2n+1} g[\sum_{p=1}^n l_p h_q(x_p)]$  where  $h_q$  are strictly monotonic functions and  $l_p$  are strictly positive constants smaller than 1.

- [Girosi-Poggio'1989] Representation Properties of Networks: Kolmogorov's Theorem Is Irrelevant, <u>https://www.mitpressjournals.org/d</u> oi/pdf/10.1162/neco.1989.1.4.465
- Lacking smoothness in h and g [Vitushkin' 1964] fails to guarantee the generalization ability (stability) against noise and perturbations
- The representation is not universal in the sense that g and h both depend on the function F to be represented.

Universal Approximate Representation [Cybenko'1989, Hornik et al. 1989, Poggio-Girosi'1989, ...] For continuous  $f: [0,1]^N \to \mathbb{R}$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists

$$F(x) = \alpha^{\top} \sigma(Wx + \beta)$$
$$= \sum_{i} \alpha_{i} \sigma\left(\sum_{j} W_{i,j} x_{j} + \beta_{i}\right)$$

such that for all x in  $[0,1]^N$  we have  $|F(x) - f(x)| < \varepsilon$ .

Complexity (regularity, smoothness) thereafter becomes the central pursuit in Approximation Theory.

#### Locality of Computation

#### Locality or Sparsity of Computation

Minsky and Papert, 1969 Perceptron can't do **XOR** classification Perceptron needs infinite global information to compute **connectivity** 





Locality or Sparsity is important: Locality in time? Locality in space?



Marvin L. Minsky Seymour A. Papert

Marvin Minsky

**Seymour Papert** 

## Multilayer Perceptrons (MLP) and Back-Propagation (BP) Algorithms

D.E. Rumelhart, G. Hinton, R.J. Williams (1986)

Learning representations by back-propagating errors, Nature, 323(9): 533-536

BP algorithms as **stochastic gradient descent** algorithms (**Robbins–Monro 1950; Kiefer-Wolfowitz 1951**) with Chain rules of Gradient maps



NATURE VOL. 323 9 OCTOBER 1986

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We describe a new learning procedure, back-propagation, for networks of neurone-like units. The procedure repeatedly adjusts the weights of the connections in the networks on as to minimize a measure of the difference between the actual output vector of the net and the desired output vector. As a result of the weight adjustments, internal 'hidden' units which are not part of the input or output come to represent important features of the task domain, and the regularities in the task are captured by the interactions of these units. The ability to create useful new features distinguishes back-propagation from earlier, simpler methods such as the perceptron-convergence procedure<sup>1</sup>.

There have been many attempts to design self-organizing neural networks. The aim is to find a powerful synaptic modification rule that will allow an arbitrarily connected neural network to develop an internal structure that is appropriate for a particular task domain. The task is specified by giving the desired state vector of the output units for each state vector of the input units. If the input units are directly connected to the output units it is relatively easy to find learning rules that iteratively adjust the relative strengths of the connections so as to progressively reduce the difference between the actual and desired output vectors<sup>1</sup>. Learning becomes more interesting but

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more difficult when we introduce hidden units whose actual or desired states are not specified by the task. (In perceptions, there are 'feature analysers' between the input and output that are not true hidden units because their input connections are fixed by hand, so their states are completely determined by the input vector: they do not learn representations). The learning procedure must decide under what circumstances the hidden units should be active in order to help achieve the desired input-output behaviour. This amounts to deciding what these units should be active in order to help achieve the desired input-output behaviour. This amounts to deciding what these and relatively simple procedure is powerful enough to construct appropriate internal representations.

The simplest form of the learning procedure is for layered networks which have a layer of input units at the bottom; any number of intermediate layers; and a layer of output units at the top. Connections within a layer or from higher to lower layers are forbidden, but connections can skip intermediate layers. An input vector is presented to the network by setting the states of the input units. Then the states of the units in each layer are determined by applying equations (1) and (2) to the connections coming from lower layers. All units within a layer have their states of the units different layers have their states set sequentially, stating at the bottom and working upwards until the states of the output units are determined. The total input, x, to unit j is a linear function of the outputs.

 $v_i$ , of the units that are connected to j and of the weights,  $w_{ji}$ , on these connections

 $y_i w_{ji}$  (1)

Units can be given biases by introducing an extra input to each unit which always has a value of 1. The weight on this extra input is called the bias and is equivalent to a threshold of the opposite sign. It can be treated just like the other weights. A unit has a real-valued output,  $y_{j_1}$  which is a non-linear function of its total linear

 $=\frac{1}{1+e^{-x_j}}$  (2)

Deep network may classify **XOR**. Yet **topology**?



We address complexity and geometric invariant properties first.





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#### Parallel Distributed Processing by Rumelhart and McClelland, 1986

Minsky and Papert set out to show which functions can and cannot be computed by this class of machines. They demonstrated, in particular, that such perceptrons are unable to calculate such mathematical functions as parity (whether an odd or even number of points are on in the retina) or the topological function of connectedness (whether all points that are on are connected to all other points that are on either directly or via other points that are also on) without making use of absurdly large numbers of predicates. The analysis is extremely elegant and demonstrates the importance of a mathematical approach to analyz-



of multilayer networks that compute parity). Similarly, it is not difficult to develop networks capable of solving the connectedness or inside/outside problem. Hinton and Sejnowski have analyzed a version of such a network (see Chapter 7).

Essentially, then, although Minsky and Papert were exactly correct in their analysis of the *one-layer perceptron*, the theorems don't apply to systems which are even a little more complex. In particular, it doesn't apply to multilayer systems nor to systems that allow feedback loops.

#### **BP** algorithm = Gradient Descent Method

- Training examples  $\{x_0^i\}_{i=1}^n$  and labels  $\{y^i\}_{i=1}^n$
- Output of the network  $\{x_L^i\}_{i=1}^m$
- Objective Square loss, cross-entropy loss, etc.

$$J(\{W_l\},\{b_l\}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \|y^i - x_L^i\|_2^2$$
(1)

Gradient descent

$$W_{l} = W_{l} - \eta \frac{\partial J}{\partial W_{l}}$$
$$b_{l} = b_{l} - \eta \frac{\partial J}{\partial b_{l}}$$

In practice: use Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)

#### Derivation of BP: Lagrangian Multiplier LeCun et al. 1988

Given *n* training examples  $(I_i, y_i) \equiv$  (input, target) and *L* layers

Constrained optimization

 $\min_{W,x} \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{n} \|x_i(L) - y_i\|_2$ subject to  $x_i(\ell) = f_\ell \Big[ W_\ell x_i (\ell - 1) \Big],$   $i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, L, \ x_i(0) = I_i$ 

Lagrangian formulation (Unconstrained)

$${\mathop{{\rm min}}\limits_{W,x,B}} \mathcal{L}(W,x,B)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(W, x, B) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \|x_i(L) - y_i\|_2^2 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} B_i(\ell)^T \left( x_i(\ell) - f_\ell \left[ W_\ell x_i (\ell - 1) \right] \right) \right\}$$

http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/publis/pdf/lecun-88.pdf

#### **BP Algorithm:** Forward Pass

- Cascade of repeated [linear operation followed by coordinatewise nonlinearity]'s
- Nonlinearities: sigmoid, hyperbolic tangent, (recently) ReLU.

#### Algorithm 1 Forward pass Input: x<sub>0</sub>

Output:  $x_L$ 

1: for  $\ell = 1$  to L do 2:  $x_{\ell} = f_{\ell}(W_{\ell}x_{\ell-1} + b_{\ell})$ 3: end for



Background Info

#### back-propagation – derivation

•  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial B}$ 

Forward pass

$$x_i(\ell) = f_\ell \Big[ \underbrace{W_\ell x_i \, (\ell-1)}_{A_i(\ell)} \Big] \quad \ell = 1, \dots, L, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

• 
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x}, z_{\ell} = [\nabla f_{\ell}]B(\ell)$$

#### Backward (adjoint) pass

$$z(L) = 2\nabla f_L \Big[ A_i(L) \Big] (y_i - x_i(L))$$
  
$$z_i(\ell) = \nabla f_\ell \Big[ A_i(\ell) \Big] W_{\ell+1}^T z_i(\ell+1) \quad \ell = 0, \dots, L-1$$

• 
$$W \leftarrow W + \lambda \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial W}$$

#### Weight update

$$W_{\ell} \leftarrow W_{\ell} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n} z_i(\ell) x_i^T(\ell-1)$$

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Convolutional Neural Networks: shift invariances and locality

Biol. Cybernetics 36, 193-202 (1980)

Neocognitron: A Self-organizing Neural Network Model for a Mechanism of Pattern Recognition Unaffected by Shift in Position



Kunihiko Fukushima NHK Broadcasting Science Research Laboratorios, Kinuta, Sctagaya, Tokyo, Japan



- Can be traced to *Neocognitron* of Kunihiko Fukushima (1979)
- Yann LeCun combined convolutional neural networks with back propagation (1989)
- Imposes shift invariance and locality on the weights
- Forward pass remains similar
- Backpropagation slightly changes need to sum over the gradients from all spatial positions



#### Max-Margin Classifier (SVM)

 $x^{T}\beta + \beta_{0} = 0$   $M = \frac{1}{\|\beta\|}$   $M = \frac{1}{\|\beta\|}$ 

Vladmir Vapnik, 1994

 $\text{minimize}_{\beta_0,\beta_1,\dots,\beta_p} \|\beta\|^2 := \sum_j \beta_j^2$ subject to  $y_i(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip}) \ge 1 \text{ for all } i$ 



#### MNIST Dataset Test Error LeCun et al. 1998



Simple SVM performs as well as Multilayer Convolutional Neural Networks which need careful tuning (LeNets)

Dark era for NN: 1998-2012



## 2000-2010: The Era of SVM, Boosting, ... as nights of Neural Networks



# Decision Trees and Boosting







CLASSIFICATION AND REGRESSION TREES



- Breiman, Friedman, Olshen, Stone, (1983): CART
- ``The Boosting problem" (M. Kearns & L. Valiant): Can a set of weak learners create a single strong learner? (三个臭皮匠顶个诸葛亮?)
- Breiman (1996): Bagging
- Freund, Schapire (1997): AdaBoost ("the best off-the-shelf algorithm" by Breiman)
- Breiman (2001): Random Forests

# Around the year of 2012: return of NN as `deep learning'

Speech Recognition: TIMIT

Computer Vision: ImageNet





#### Depth as function of year



[He et al., 2016]

#### ILSVRC ImageNet Top 5 errors

ImageNet (subset):

- 1.2 million training images
- 100,000 test images
- 1000 classes
- ImageNet large-scale visual recognition Challenge



source: https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/must-read-path-breaking-papers-image-classification-muktabh-mayank

#### Reaching Human Performance Level in Games



Deep Blue in 1997





AlphaGo "LEE" 2016



AlphaGo "ZERO" D Silver et al. Nature 550, 354–359 (2017) doi:10.1038/nature24270

### Number of Al papers on arXiv, 2010-2019

Number of AI papers on arXiv, 2010-2019 Source: arXiv, 2019.



# Growth of Deep Learning

'Deep Learning' is coined by Hinton et al. in their Restricted Boltzman Machine paper, *Science* 2006, not yet popular until championing ImageNet competitions.

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| Worldwide 💌 Past 5 years 💌 All categories 💌 Web Search 💌 |             |   |                              |                  |
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Some Cold Water: Tesla Autopilot Misclassifies Truck as Billboard





Problem: Why? How can you trust a blackbox?

# Deep Learning may be fragile in generalization against noise!



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"panda" 57.7% confidence  $+.007 \times$ 



[Goodfellow et al., 2014]







"black hole" 87.7% confidence  $+.007 \times$ 



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"donut" 99.3% confidence

# CNN learns texture features, not shapes



(a) Texture image 81.4% Indian elephant 10.3% indri 8.2% black swan



(b) Content image
71.1% tabby cat
17.3% grey fox
3.3% Siamese cat



(c) Texture-shape cue conflict
63.9% Indian elephant
26.4% indri
9.6% black swan

#### Geirhos et al. ICLR 2019

https://videoken.com/embed/W2HvLBMhCJQ?tocitem=46

1:16:47

#### Overfitting causes privacy leakage

Model inversion attack leaks privacy





Figure: Recovered (Left), Original (Right)

Fredrikson et al. Proc. CCS, 2016

#### What's wrong with deep learning?

Ali Rahimi NIPS'17: Machine (deep) Learning has become alchemy. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ORHFOnaEzPc

Yann LeCun CVPR'15, invited talk: What's wrong with deep learning? One important piece: missing some theory (clarity in understanding)!

http://techtalks.tv/talks/whats-wrong-with-deep-learning/61639/





Being alchemy is certainly not a shame, not wanting to work on advancing to chemistry is a shame!  $_{3\overline{0}}$  by Eric Xing
"Shall we see soon an emergence from Alchemy to Science in deep leaning?

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How can we teach our students in the next generation science rather than alchemy?

| Course Schedule |  |   |  |
|-----------------|--|---|--|
| Session         | Торіс  | Application & Case Study  |  |
| 1               | <ul> <li>History and Overview of Artificial Intelligence</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Case study on HireVue</li> </ul>   |  |
| 2               | <ul> <li>Introduction to Supervised Learning, Linear Regression and<br/>Classification</li> </ul>            | <ul><li>Google Experiments: Draw!</li><li>Chatbots</li></ul>  |  |
| 3               | <ul> <li>Model Assessment and Selection with Regularization: Ridge<br/>Regression and LASSO</li> </ul>       | <ul> <li>Google Experiments: Vision Sensing</li> <li>Case study: WorkFusion (Robotic Process Automation)</li> </ul>                       |  |
| 4               | <ul> <li>Decision Trees, Random Forests and Boosting</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Credit analysis</li> </ul>   |  |
| 5               | <ul> <li>Support Vector Machines</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Tutorial on Machine Learning with Python</li> <li>Tutorial on GPU server</li> </ul>  |  |
| 6               | <ul> <li>An Introduction to Convolutional Neural Networks</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>FinTech &amp; Blockchain</li> </ul>  |  |
| 7               | <ul> <li>Transfer Learning and Neurostyle</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Natural language processing</li> <li>Case study: Deep Instinct (Cybersecurity)</li> </ul>  |  |
| 8               | <ul> <li>An Introduction to Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN) and Long<br/>Short Term Memory (LSTM)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Google Image Recognition</li> <li>Case study: SenseTime (Computer Vision)</li> </ul>   |  |
| 9               | <ul> <li>An Introduction to Reinforcement Learning</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Competition of Cryptocurrency Trading with Deep Learning</li> <li>Introduction to Deep Reinforcement Learning Trading</li> </ul> |  |
| 10              | <ul> <li>Introduction to Unsupervised Learning: PCA, AutoEncoder, VAE<br/>and GANs</li> </ul>                |   |  |
| 11              | <ul> <li>Investment Trends and FinTech Outlook</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Sales and Trading Business in Global Investment Banks – Ripe<br/>for Disruption by AI?</li> </ul>                                |  |
| 12              | <ul> <li>Tutorial on Deep Learning in Python</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Exercise on Python Notebook</li> </ul>   |  |
| 12              | Class Wrap   |   |  |

Note: Details may change depending on class progress, development of relevant technologies, as well as information and feedback from students' surveys.

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| Featured Code Competition             |   |  |  |  |
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| Overview                              |   |  |  |  |
| Description                           | How can we use the world's tools and intelligence to forecast economic outcomes that can never be   |  |  |  |
| Evaluation<br>Honor-Code              | including at Two Sigma Investments, who has been applying technology and systematic strategies to financial trading since 2001.   |  |  |  |
| Prizes<br>Submission-<br>Instructions | For over 15 years, Two Sigma has been at the forefront of applying technology and data science to financial forecasts. While their pioneering advances in big data, AI, and machine learning in the financial world have been pushing the industry forward, as with all other scientific progress, they are driven to make continual progress. Through this exclusive partnership, Two Sigma is excited to explore what untapped value Kaggle's diverse data science community can discover in the financial markets. |  |  |  |
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Since Code Competitions are brand new, we ask for your patience if you encounter bugs or frustrating platform quirks. Please report any issues you find in the forums and we'll do our best to respond.

## **Emerging Technologies**

| Emerging<br>Technologies<br>前沿科技   | Foundational<br>底层科技 | Cumulative and<br>exponential<br>叠加和倍增 | Capital Intensive<br>资本密集 | We know "how"<br>to do it<br>实施方法明确 | We know the<br>"end game"<br>最终目标明确 | Adoption<br>接纳程度              |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Artificial<br>Intelligence<br>人工智能 | Yes                  | Yes                                    | No                        | No                                  | No                                  | Relatively easy               |
| Blockchain<br>区块链                  | Yes                  | No                                     | No                        | Yes                                 | Yes                                 | Easy & Difficult <sup>1</sup> |
| AR/VR<br>虚拟现实和<br>增强现实             | No                   | No                                     | Yes                       | Yes                                 | Yes                                 | Moderate                      |
| Robotics<br>机器人                    | No                   | No                                     | Yes                       | Yes                                 | Yes                                 | Moderate                      |
| Internet of Things<br>(IoT)<br>物联网 | Yes                  | Yes                                    | Yes                       | Depends <sup>2</sup>                | Yes                                 | Relatively easy               |
| Space Tech<br>太空科技                 | No                   | No                                     | Yes                       | Yes & No <sup>3</sup>               | Yes                                 | Difficult                     |

#### Notes:

1. Adoption at the front end is relatively straightforward, while the back end can be challenging due to legacy issues.

2. IoT is dependent on a lot of other technologies, systems, and infrastructure (e.g. 5G, smart contracts).

3. Current technology (i.e. combustion-based) makes Mars reachable, but not beyond.

Anthony Woo • Harvard Business School Asia-Pacific Research Center





Credit: https://www.pinterest.es/pin/570620215256233288/





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Credit: https://www.slideshare.net/bretmc/machine-learning-with-google-machine-learning-apis-puppy-or-muffin 45

source: boredpanda.com

### Clip slide

- Dog (or breed) •
- Muffin •

# A Tale of Two AI Camps

| Property                      | Symbolic Al   | Connectionist Al  |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Knowledge<br>Acquisition      | Theoretical knowledge insertion can be made in a<br>simple and direct manner. It is sufficient to clarify,<br>convert, and formalize the knowledge.                     | <ul> <li>Theoretical knowledge may not useful in constructing<br/>neural networks, while examples are always required<br/>for knowledge acquisition.</li> </ul>                           |
| Processing<br>Mode            | <ul> <li>Processing is sequential. Answer and consultation<br/>times are long.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Neural networks consist of a set of units with<br/>information processing completed in a parallel<br/>fashion.</li> </ul>  |
| New<br>Knowledge<br>Insertion | <ul> <li>Insertion of knowledge (rules) can be made very<br/>quickly once experts have already processed them.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Training process is often time-consuming as weights<br/>and biases are trained gradually.</li> </ul>   |
| Training                      | <ul> <li>Training is not a basic process. Knowledge<br/>acquisition is done by explicitation, with potential<br/>bottleneck issues.</li> </ul>                          | <ul> <li>Training and generalization from examples are<br/>fundamental and integrate processes.</li> </ul>  |
| Results<br>Explanation        | <ul> <li>Reasoning process allows for explanability.<br/>Knowledge is coded in a language close to natural<br/>language, and therefore easily interpretable.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Neural networks are "black" boxes, where knowledge<br/>is coded in weights and interconnections, with a lack<br/>of access to a form that is interpretable by humans.</li> </ul> |

Source: Souici-Meslati, Labiba & Sellami, Mokhtar. (2004). A hybrid approach for Arabic literal amounts recognition. The Arabian Journal for Science and Engineering. 29.

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# A Tale of Two AI Camps

| Property                  | Symbolic Al   | Connectionist Al  |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| Information<br>Processing | <ul> <li>Theoretical knowledge must be complete beforehand,<br/>and the approach is not conducive to approximate or<br/>incomplete information processing.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Neural networks are conducive to approximate and<br/>incomplete information processing (i.e. fuzzy logic).</li> </ul>                |
| Knowledge<br>Coding       | <ul> <li>Knowledge is represented by rules and data<br/>structures.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Knowledge is coded in networks representing the<br/>relationships among input variables.</li> </ul>                                  |
| Development               | <ul> <li>Long development cycles with domain experts are<br/>typical.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Architecture and (hyper)parameters derivation and<br/>tuning can be time-consuming and difficult.</li> </ul>                         |
| Maintenance               | <ul> <li>Managing and maintaining large databases of rules<br/>are challenging. Adding new rules and updating<br/>existing ones may be difficult.</li> </ul>          | <ul> <li>Maintenance and management are often easy, and<br/>networks can be retrained based on changes in<br/>situational factors.</li> </ul> |

Source: Souici-Meslati, Labiba & Sellami, Mokhtar. (2004). A hybrid approach for Arabic literal amounts recognition. The Arabian Journal for Science and Engineering. 29.





#### Source: https://neurovenge.antonomase.fr/

### The Five Elements



# China seeks semiconductor security in wake of ZTE ban

Stubborn technology gap has frustrated Beijing's bid to build a world-class chip sector



Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing, the world's biggest contract chipmaker, says Chinese companies will struggle to catch up to foreign rivals © FT montage / Reuters

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When the US administration <u>shut down</u> Chinese telecoms equipment maker <u>ZTE</u> in April — putting the future of a \$17bn company and 75,000 jobs at risk after sanctions cut the supply of key microchips — it highlighted a vulnerability in the Chinese economy: it depends on foreign-made chips.

The country remains dependent on imports to build the phones, telecoms gear,



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- Asia's largest AI research team with 200 PhDs (including 40 professors) leading 1100 researchers
- ~3x yearly revenue growth in the past 3 consecutive years; profitable since 2017
- Attracted \$2.3bn funding in 2018 from Softbank, Silverlake, Temasek, Fidelity, Alibaba, Qualcomm, etc.

### **Key Talents**



Research scientists from the <u>Multimedia Lab at The Chinese University of Hong</u> <u>Kong</u>; published numerous papers in computer vision and was the earliest research team in Asia to study deep learning

Largest AI research team in Asia with 200 PhDs (incl. 40 professors) leading 1100 researchers: ranked #3 in the world and #1 in Asia in terms of computer vision





### Information flow through neurons



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### AI Development Timeline



computer scientist, coined the term 'Artificial Intelligence'.

Eliza, the first chatbot is created by MIT AI Laboratory based on Natural Language Processing (NLP).

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### AI Development Timeline (Cont'd)



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### Deep Learning Timeline



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# A.I. Landscape: China vs. U.S.

|                           | China  | United States  |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| Institutional<br>Norm     | Large volume of <u>data</u> via proprietary systems, yet to<br>focus on building innovation capacity. China tends to be<br>averse to adopting the standard metrics structures used<br>by most multinationals. Chinese A.I. initiatives are good<br>at developing facial recognition as well as tools for<br>surveillance and tracking.   | A.I. ecosystem with <u>unified standards and cross-platform sharing</u> . More conducive to developing international standards for what is acceptable for law enforcement use of big data and A.I., and how they will be held accountable for abuse. Developing A.I. tools for surveillance and tracking remains a sensitive topic in U.S. |
| Regulatory<br>Environment | Tends to set regulations <i>after</i> product<br>commercialization. Pursues a strategy of " <u>military-civil</u><br><u>fusion</u> " in A.I., as China devises a range of policy<br>mechanisms to incentivize industry cooperation. A<br>looser approach to digital regulations means that<br>companies have more freedom to experiment. | Tends to set regulations <i>before</i> product goes to market.<br>The White House has so far been characterized as<br>" <u>missing-in-action</u> " in terms of policymaking for A.I.   |
| Industry<br>Structure     | 592 A.I. companies (23% of global). Came second in the total number of A.I. enterprises in the world in 2017, and contributed 48% of the world's total A.I. startup funding. A.I. Potential Index = 17.  | Ranked first with <u>1,078 A.I. firms</u> (42% of global).<br>Provided 38% of the funding for A.I. startups globally in<br>2017. A.I. Potential Index = 33.  |

# A.I. Landscape: China vs. U.S. (Cont'd)

### China

### **Institutional Norm**

- China has a large volume of data via proprietary systems.
- China has yet to focus on building its innovation capacity. But the nation has been supporting different research and workforce development, and reportedly aiming for international collaboration and expansion.
- In China, "outside companies do not plug in," but become part of the business as one of hundreds of players in an ecosystem.
- China tends to be averse to adopting the standard metrics structures used by most multinationals; local suppliers, distributors or customers become partners to help them achieve success in an uncertain business environment.
- With regarding to developing software and hardware in A.I., China looks at it from a marathon perspective.
- Chinese A.I. initiatives are good at developing facial recognition as well as tools for surveillance and tracking.

- The U.S. is in process of creating a **data-friendly** ecosystem with unified standards and crossplatform sharing.
- The U.S is producing more influential A.I. research, with a more robust ecosystem nurturing more competitive A.I. startups.

**United States** 

- Companies in U.S. tend create platforms which external parties either plug into or put to use directly.
- The U.S. believes it is essential to develop international standards for what is acceptable for law enforcement use of big data and A.I., and how they will be held accountable for abuse.
- The U.S. is driving A.I. innovation across the spectrum in both software and hardware, with more early adopters and innovators.
- In U.S., companies in A.I. tend to be averse to developing tools for surveillance and tracking.

## A.I. Landscape: China vs. U.S. (Cont'd)

### China

#### **Regulatory Environment**

- China can be the leader in introducing new regulations for the A.I. industry in the world, suggested by Jeffrey Ding, Macrostrategy Researcher at Future of Humanity Institute in Oxford University.
- The Chinese government sets regulations <u>after</u> product commercialization in the market.
- China pursues a strategy of "military-civil fusion" in A.I., as it wields a range of policy mechanisms to incentivize industry cooperation.
- The Chinese government is willing to give private entrepreneurs the opportunity to test ideas, e.g. creating policy frameworks, providing subsidies and setting preferential policies to help them.
- A looser approach to digital regulations means that companies can experiment more freely.

• The White House has so far been characterized as "missing-in-action".

**United States** 

- Regulations are often devised <u>before</u> the product goes to the market.
- U.S. companies with the best A.I. technology are often considerably less willing to invest in national security applications.
- In 2017, the U.S. government drafted the first policy to move the U.S. public sector beyond acknowledging the significance of A.I., and toward fully embracing A.I. technologies.
- More emphasis placed on **digital regulations**, e.g. tighter cryptocurrency regulations.

# A.I. Landscape: China vs. U.S. (Cont'd)

| China   | United States   |  |  |  |  |
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| <ul> <li>With 592 A.I. companies (23%), China came second in the total number of A.I. enterprises among the world in 2017.</li> <li>Chinese A.I. companies received RMB 63.5 billion (USD 10.1 billion) in funding as of June 2017, and collectively ranked No. 2 in the world in terms of capital raised. Most funds were raised from domestic sources.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>The U.S. ranked first with 1,078 A.I. firms, representing 42% of the total worldwide.</li> <li>About 50% of global A.I. investments went to U.S. startups, reaching RMB 97.8 billion (USD 15.5 billion) as of June 2017, and leading the world in terms of funding.</li> <li>In 2017, the U.S. provided 38% of the funding for A.I.</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |

- with the former contributing **48% of the world's total A.I. startup funding in 2017**. But in terms of individual deals, China only accounted for 9% of the total.
- Chinese production of semiconductors is only 4% of the total global market share.
- Most Chinese companies tend to only hire Chinese people, focus on the China market, and may lack an international vision.

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• The "AI Potential Index" of China is 17, almost half of that of U.S., according to an analysis at the University of Oxford.

the U.S. Silicon Valley companies are dominated by a

50% of semiconductors in the world is produced by

A.I. startups and total overall funding.

- diversified culture.
- The "AI Potential Index" of U.S. is 33.

### A.I. Implementation Matrix



### ConvnetJS demo: toy 2d classification with 2-layer neural network

The simulation below shows a toy binary problem with a few data points of class 0 (red) and 1 (green). The network is set up as:



Feel free to change this, the text area above gets eval()'d when you hit the button and the network gets reloaded. Every 10th of a second, all points are fed to the network multiple times through the trainer class to train the network. The resulting predictions of the network are then "painted" under the data points to show you the generalization.

On the right we visualize the transformed representation of all grid points in the original space and the data, for a given layer and only for 2 neurons at a time. The number in the bracket shows the total number of neurons at that level of representation. If the number is more than 2, you will only see the two visualized but you can cycle through all of them with the cycle button.







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# Course Assessments & Objectives



Jan 2019 – Present

## MOSAIC FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY LTD: (A1/ML startup) ' Co-Founder and Chief Technology Officer

HONG KONG, CHINA

- Compiled pitch deck and presented Mosaic's vision and underlying technology to potential investors and AI specialists at HKUST. Created a proof-of-concept (PoC) and demonstrated a prototype
- Devised strategy to drive adoption and compiled reports on the applications of AI/ML techniques. Elaborated on the plans for future product launches. Established Advisory Board with industry experts

## Assessments

| Deliverables   | Details  | Weight | Due Date   | Mode                   | Rationale                              |
|--|--|--------|--|------------------------|--|
| Presentation<br>10 core slides   | <ul> <li>Project presentation with 10 core<br/>slides and supplementary materials<br/>in appendix</li> <li>Selected teams to present to a<br/>panel of judges</li> </ul> | 40%    | May 31   | Individual<br>or group | CV building and interview preparation  |
| Writeup of recent Al<br>journal articles<br>No more than 2 pages<br>in total | <ul> <li>Review of 1-2 AI journal articles,<br/>including a critical analysis and<br/>potential applications</li> </ul>  | 20%    | Last day of<br>each month<br>(Mar, Apr<br>and May) | Individual             | Industry knowledge                     |
| Extra credit<br>activities and<br>assignments                                | <ul> <li>5-min presentation of journal-article<br/>analysis in-person or via Zoom</li> <li>Other assignments and activities<br/>TBA</li> </ul>                           | 20%    | Various  | Individual             | Rewarding those who are proactive      |
| Participation  | <ul> <li>Class attendance with 10% base<br/>and 10% based on contribution</li> </ul>   | 20%    | Various  | Individual             | Encourage active contributing in class |

# **Typical Class Flow**



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## HireVue Overview

This will be a new experience for many applicants because top banks like Goldman Sachs and JP Morgan have recently begun to use HireVue. It apparently adds 13% more top performers above the client's industry.

The first interview is provided by HireVue; however, it will not completely replace the more traditional, intensive recruiting process. If the first interview is successful, then a representative from the bank will contact the candidate for a second interview. From then on, any upcoming interviews will be part of the regular interview rounds, involving live interactions with analysts, associates and even VPs and MDs.

You will be given about **20-30 seconds for each question to think of a response**. After that, you'll have about **3 minutes to record your answer**. The amount of time given really depends on the questions. For instance, a question about why you would be the best candidate for the role will require a much longer and thoughtful response than answering a question about what your overall GPA is. 

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Video interview, the recruiter can see the personality, drive, and work ethic of a candidate. Furthermore, this **attracts and captures more candidates from more schools**, because the talent isn't just found from target schools such as those belonging to Ivy League group.

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- Word choice and vocabulary
- Intonation
- Inflection
- Facial expressions



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# Sample Questions

- Why are you applying for this position?
- How did you deal with a difficult co-worker in your previous work experiences?
- How did you handle a drastic change in role to achieve a goal?
- Why do you think you are the right candidate for this position?
- What current events are you following at the moment? Why are they interesting?
- Do you have an expertise or unique experience that can benefit our team?
- What is the most important leadership experience you have? And why?

- What efforts do you make to keep abreast of financial markets and business news?
- Why do you want to work for our company?
- What relevant skills have you gained from your past work or internship that are easily transferable and directly beneficial to the new role you're applying for?
- Why are you looking for a new role in our company?
- What were your top responsibilities at your current/previous position?
- What are your three main weaknesses?
- How will you use your background and skills to succeed in his role



# ICAR Catalogue

1. Three-Dimensional Rotation

The 24 Three-Dimensional Rotation items present participants with cube renderings and ask participants to identify which of the response choices is a possible rotation of the target stimuli.



## ICAR Catalogue 0611

#### 2. Letter and Number Series

The 9 Letter and Number Series items prompt participants with short digit or letter sequences and ask them to identify the next position in the sequence from among six choices.

Sample item:

In the following alphanumeric series, what letter comes next? I J L O S (1) T (2) U (3) V (4) X (5) Y (6) Z

#### 3. Matrix Reasoning

The 11 Matrix Reasoning items contain stimuli that are similar to those used in Raven's Progressive Matrices. The stimuli are 3x3 arrays of geometric shapes with one of the nine shapes missing. Participants are instructed to identify which of six geometric shapes presented as response choices will best complete the stimuli.

Sample item:



4. Verbal Reasoning

The 16 Verbal Reasoning items include a variety of logic, vocabulary and general knowledge questions.

Sample item: IF the day after tomorrow is two days before Thursday, then what day is it today?

(1) Friday (2) Monday (3) Wednesday (4) Saturday (5) Tuesday (6) Sunday

#### Types 1-4 taken from:

Condon, D. M. and Revelle, W. (2014). The International Cognitive Ability Resource: Development and initial validation of a public domain measure Intelligence, 43, 52–64.

#### 5. Progressive Matrices

27 items have been designed based on similar rules follow Raven's Progressive Matrices. Each item has 8 distractors



#### 6. Face Detection

The newly developed Mooney-Verhallen Test (Verhalle 2015) comprises 140 items, divided into four sections of (35 trials each), whereby each section is preceded by one (all four practice trials are unique). The presentation of the is randomised for each participant, and the performance interest is the number of trials on which participants correct either of the eyes of the face (not just on the correct image



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This catalogue will list all ICAR measures that have been made available to qualified users on the ICAR website. Information about the item types, including both brief introduction and sample items, will be regularly

updated.

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### Wechsler Intelligence Scale For Children Vs. Adults

David Wechsler (1896 - 1981) was an American psychologist whose work frequently specialized in intelligence testing. He developed two intelligence scales - the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS) and the Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (WISC) - that still remained use, although in updated versions. He was also an influential theorist whose research regarding the human intellect remains important and relevant, especially in the later development of theory of multiple intelligences by Howard Gardner in the 1980's.

#### Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (WISC)

## **Best Practices**

### Logistics

- 30 secs to prepare; 3 mins to answer; do not have to use all 3 mins; a minimum of 10 secs
- Speak slowly with clear pronunciation and polished diction
- Clean camera lens and keep camera at eye level
- Notepad to minimize rambling
- Resume and job description in front of you
- Try not to prop up your phone
- Phone fully charged and strong Wifi (350 Kbps per second)
- Good background, clean desk and computer, bookshelf
- Quiet locale (e.g. carpet and "things" to minimize echo)

### **Interview Preparation**

- Prepare questions in advance
- Fully utilize sample interview before the real one
- On-demand video interviews are always structured interviews, i.e. same questions, in the same order as everyone else for the position

## Light

- Near window for natural light
- No light source from behind or below

### **Dress Code**

• Dress up (i.e. professional business attire)

### Demeanor

- Practice to avoid awkwardness and selfconsciousness
- Show enthusiasm and maintain eye contact, enthusiasm (i.e. no downcast)
- Keep video feed near camera
- Stand up and "present" if you can
- Not evaluated based on stage presence

### Examples

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## **Understanding Features of Candidate Scores**

## **Low Scoring Tier Candidates**

## **Top Scoring Tier Candidates**







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- Knowledge assessment of NLP techniques and related applications via in-person interviews
- Monthly progress reports and regular updates
- Final group presentation on-campus or Central

### **Position Requirements**

 Undergraduate or postgraduate students, preferably majoring in Artificial Intelligence, Mathematics, Statistics, Computer Science, Business Analytics, Finance, and/or Economics



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### **Key Responsibilities**

- Keen interest and experience in venture capital transactions and financial analysis
- Familiar with transaction legal documents and investment structure
- Understanding of the commercialization of technologies from an investor perspective
- Conduct due diligence for potential investments in the AI space
- Assist in the preparation of dealrelated materials (e.g. data collection, industry research, comparable company and valuation analysis)



### **Position Requirements**

- Undergraduate or postgraduate students, preferably majoring in Finance, Investments, Legal Studies, and/or Business Analytics
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# CFA Exam Adds Fintech to 2019 Curriculum

Come 2019, the wealth managers and financial analysts aspiring to add the Chartered Financial Analyst designation to their credentials have one more subject to deal with. The CFA Institute has decided to **add fintech to its 2019 exam curriculum**. The new curriculum contains a section called fintech and adds study material on hot industry topics such as **roboadvisors**, **big data**, **artificial intelligence and data analysis**. The new questions will appear in the CFA exam that will be administered in 2019.

- 1. Financial Analysis Technology: This includes how the financial analysis landscape is changing with things such as big data analysis, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and algorithmic trading.
- 2. Portfolio Management Technology: This includes robo-advisors, technology in enterprises such as asset management companies
- **3. Capital Formation**: This includes peer-to-peer lending, shadow banking, and crowd funding.
- 4. Market Infrastructure: This includes innovations such as cryptocurrencies, blockchain technology, high-frequency trading, and regulatory-related technology

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# Resources for a Career in Finance

- 1. FinanceAsia (http://www.financeasia.com/)
- 2. Dealogic (<u>http://www.dealogic.com/</u>)
- 3. McKinsey Insights (<u>http://www.mckinsey.com/insights</u>)
- 4. 清科集团:投资界 (<u>http://www.pedaily.cn/</u>)
- 5. Wind Financial Terminal

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