

Machines can learn our moral compass



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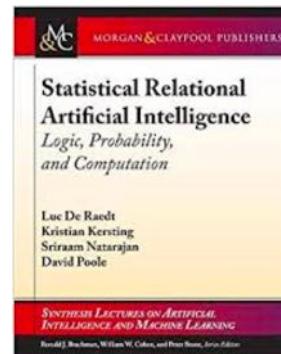
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DARPA's Memex Programme; Photo By: DMA modern slavery infographic VIRIN: 161220-D-ZZ999-999



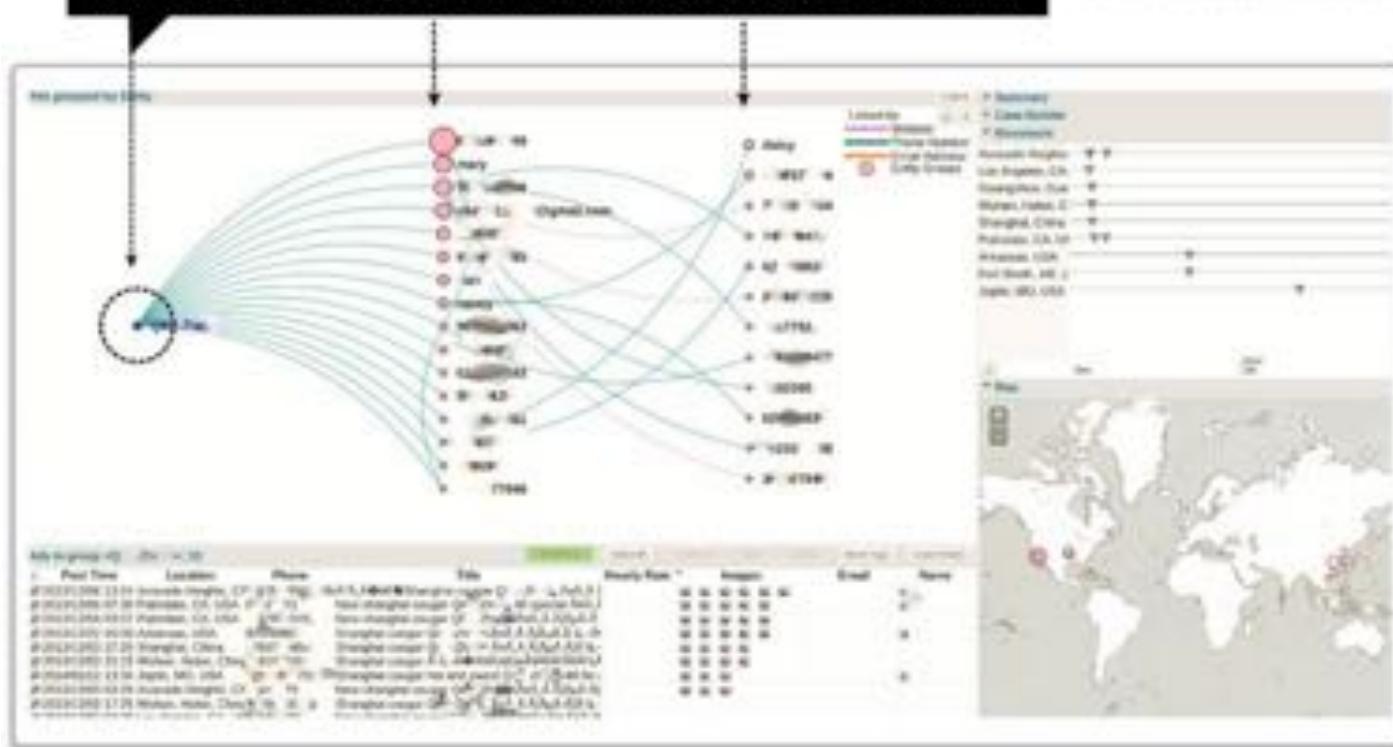
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Machines that learn and think!



The Big Data Behind Online Sex Trafficking

This circle is a name that appears in a sex ad. It's connected to email addresses, photos and phone numbers on other ads across the internet.



A powerful data-mining tool created by Darpa allows investigators to capture and visualize patterns of online criminal networks. Here, evidence of a possible sex trafficking ring is shown by capturing the relationship between content in ads across the web.

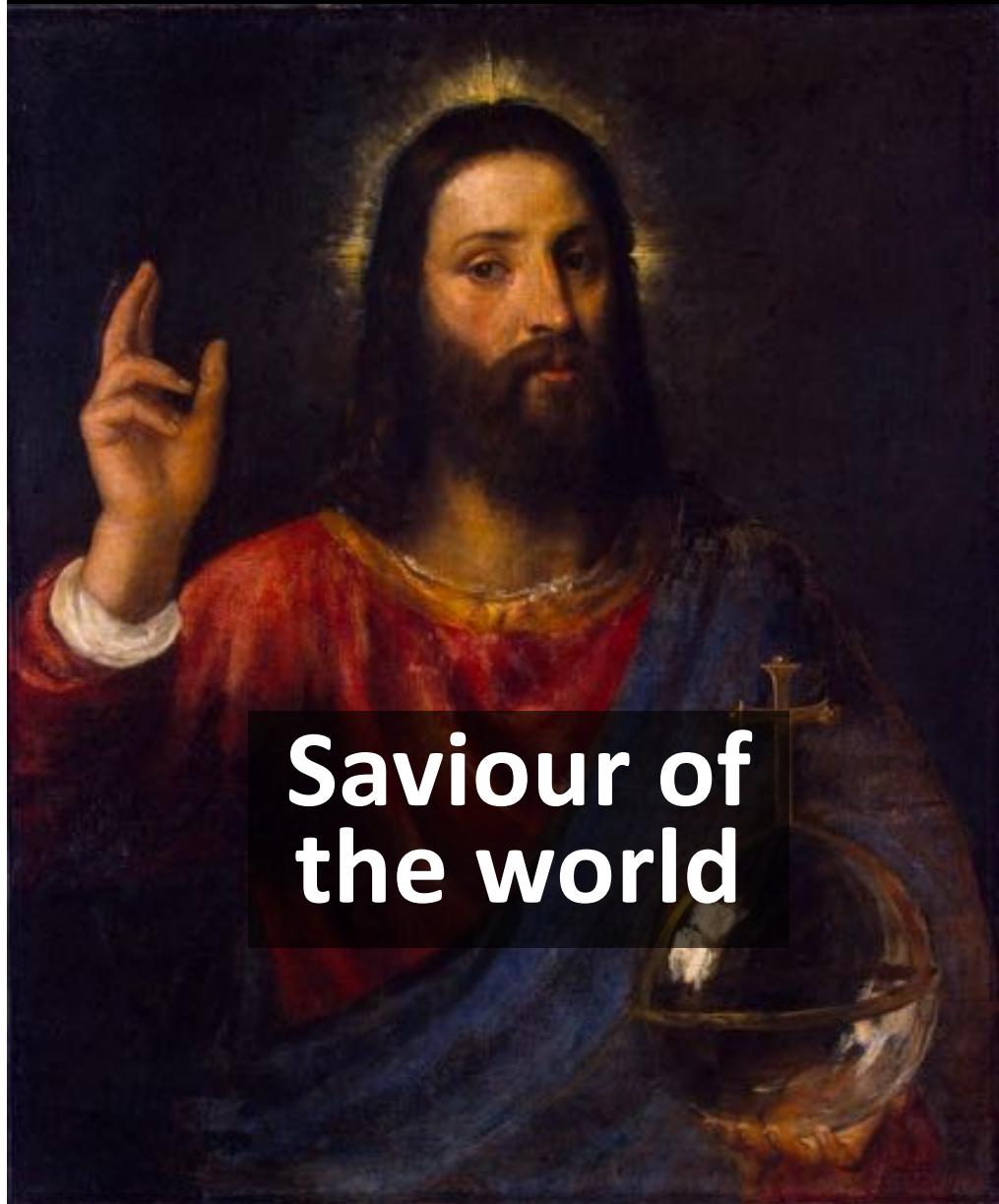
A timeline shows when and where those ads were placed. It also shows the movement of the ads over time.

By plotting thousands of ads investigators can see the geographic scope of networks involved in the sex trade for the first time.

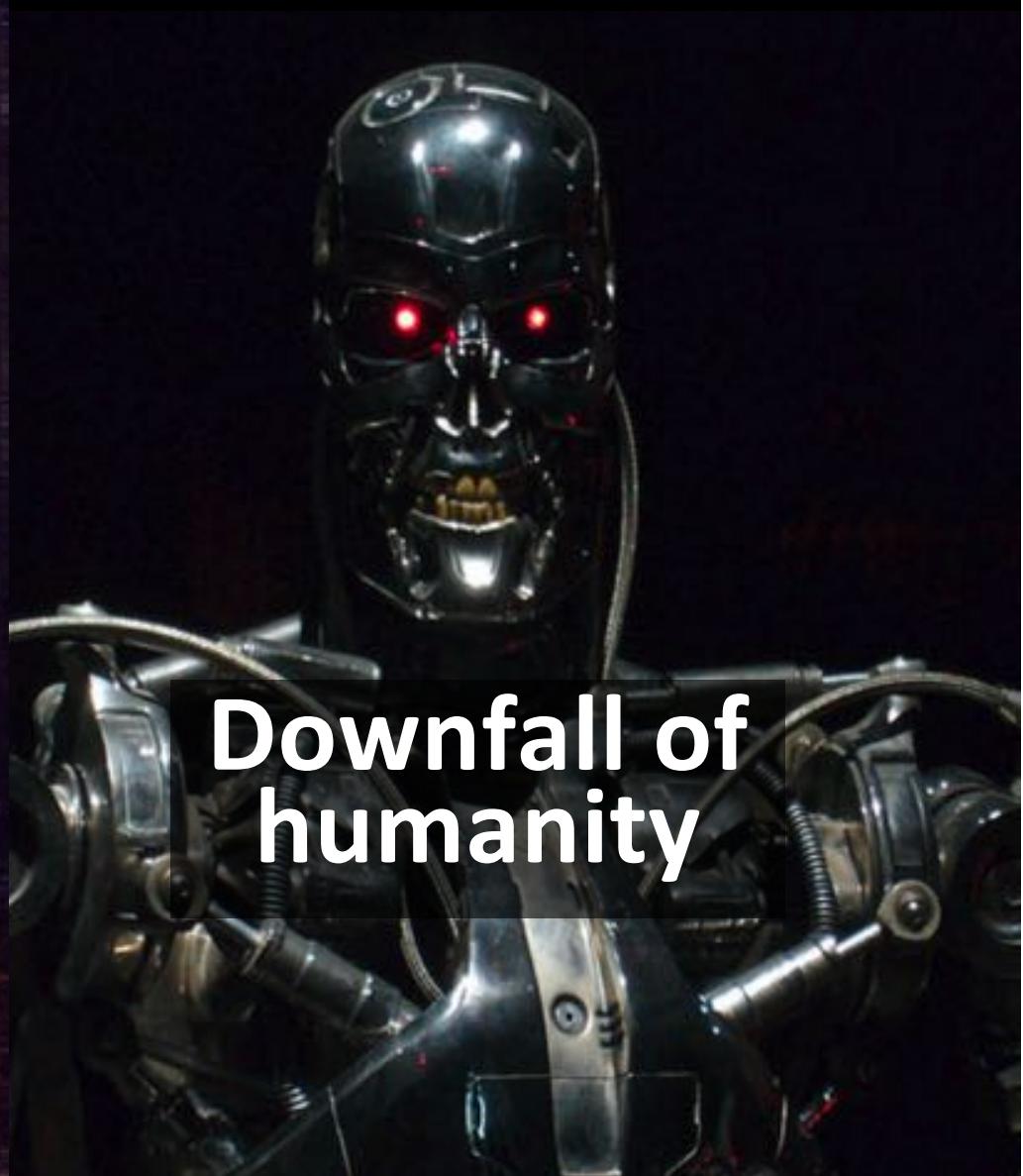
Note: Private information is obscured.

Source: U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

However, AI also scares people



Saviour of
the world



Downfall of
humanity

The Quest for a „good“ AI

How could an AI programmed by humans, with no more moral expertise than us, recognize (at least some of) our own civilization's ethics as moral progress as opposed to mere moral instability?



„The Ethics of Artificial Intelligence“ Cambridge Handbook of Artificial Intelligence, 2011



Nick Bostrom



Eliezer Yudkowsky

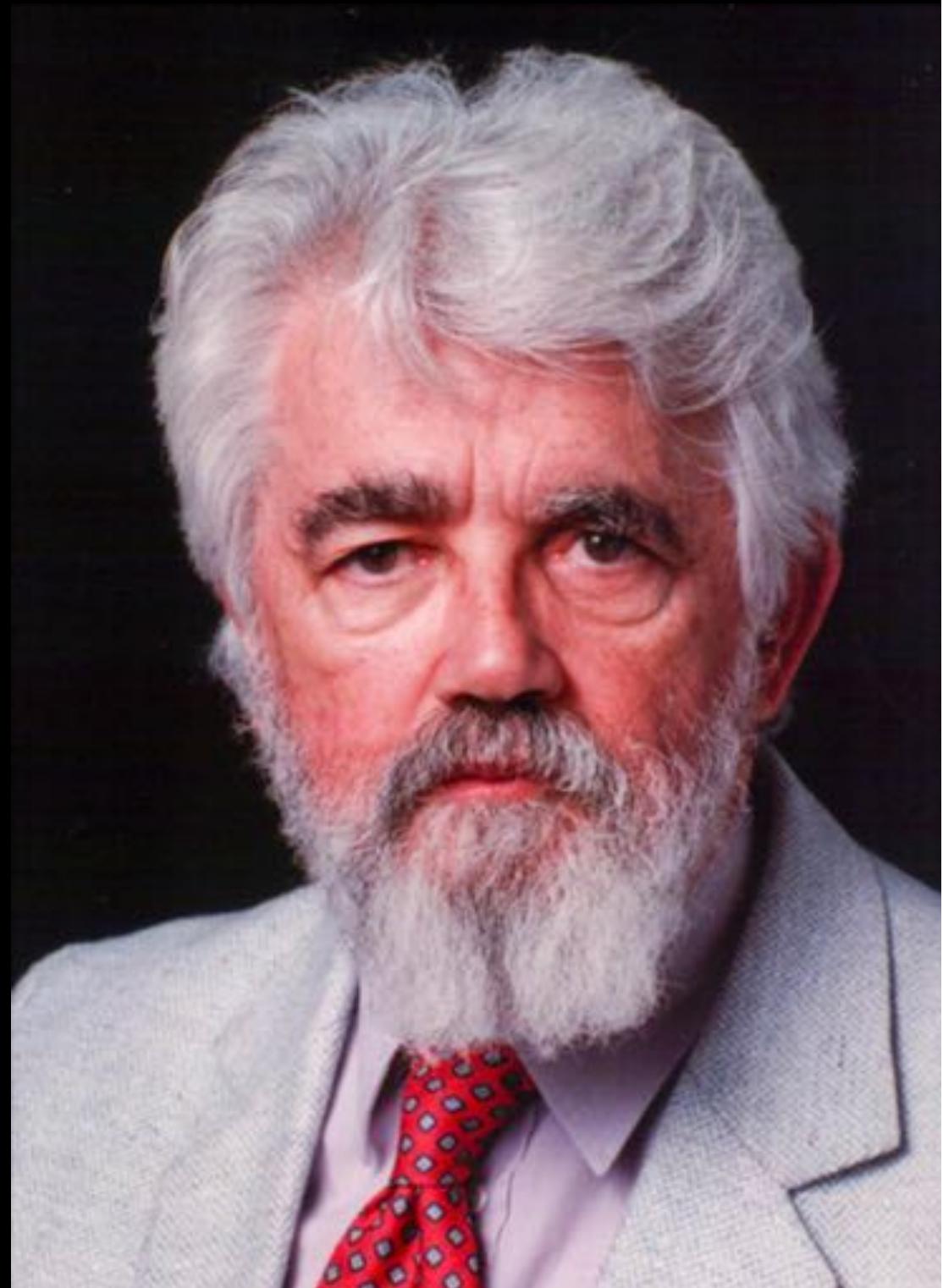


What is AI?

„the science and engineering of making intelligent machines, especially intelligent computer programs.

It is related to the similar task of using computers to understand human intelligence, but AI does not have to confine itself to methods that are biologically observable.“

- John McCarthy, Stanford (1956), coined the term AI, Turing Awardee



Learning

Thinking

Planning

AI = “Recipes” (aka. algorithms) for ...

Vision

Behaviour

Reading

Machine Learning

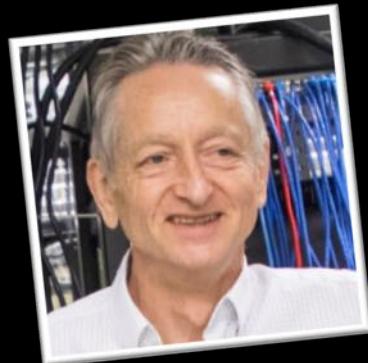
**the science "concerned with
the question of how to
construct computer programs
that automatically improve with
experience"**

- Tom Mitchell (1997) CMU





Deep Learning



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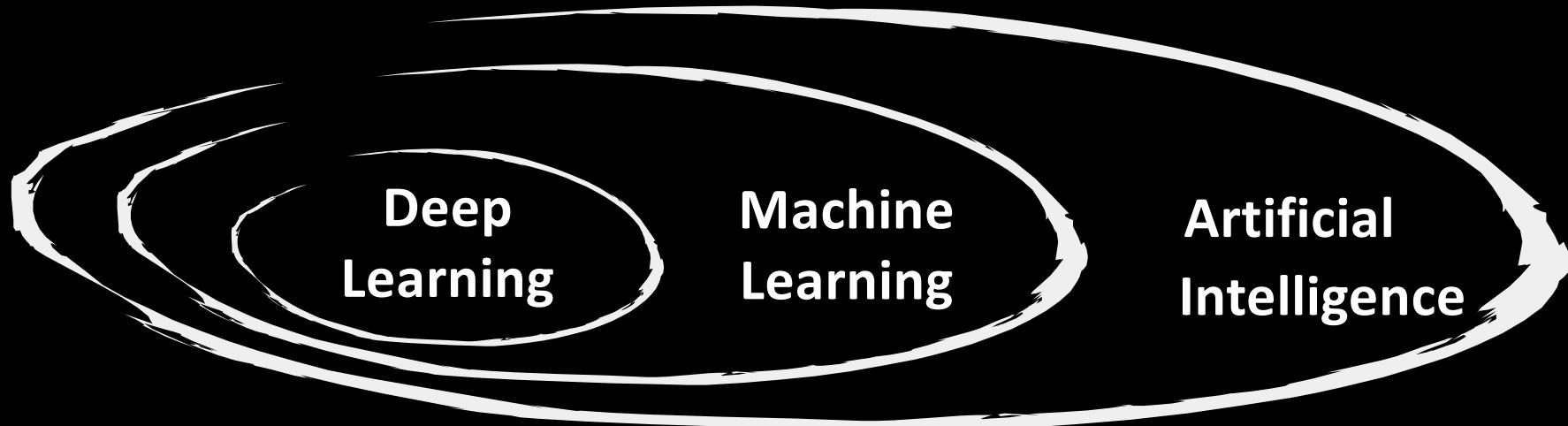
Yann LeCun
Facebook (USA)



Yoshua Bengio
Univ. Montreal (CAN)

**a form of machine
learning that makes
use of artificial
neural networks**

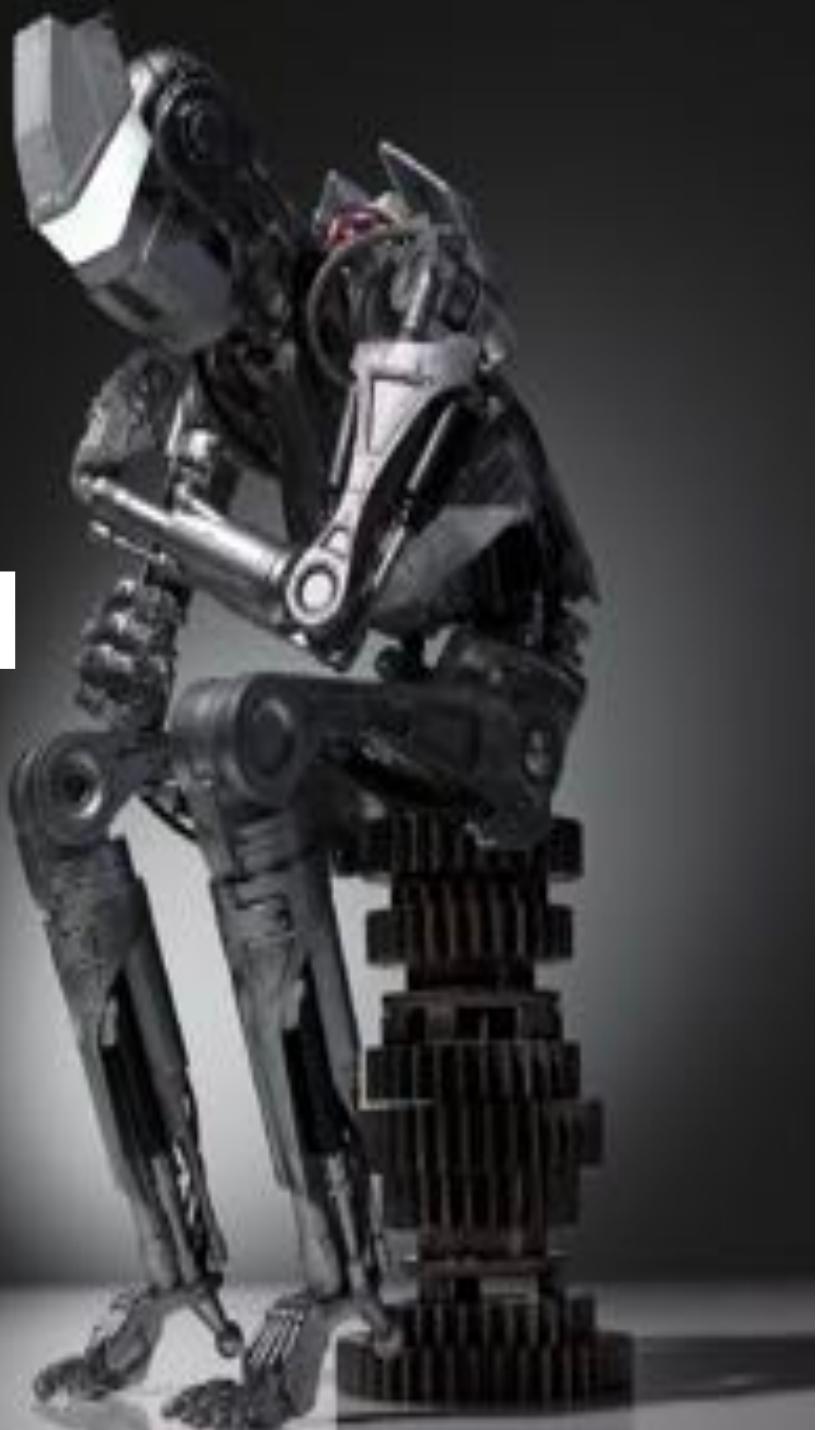
Overall Picture



If you want to know more, in German, check this out!



So, can machines
learn a moral
compass — a kind
of gut feeling —
from us?



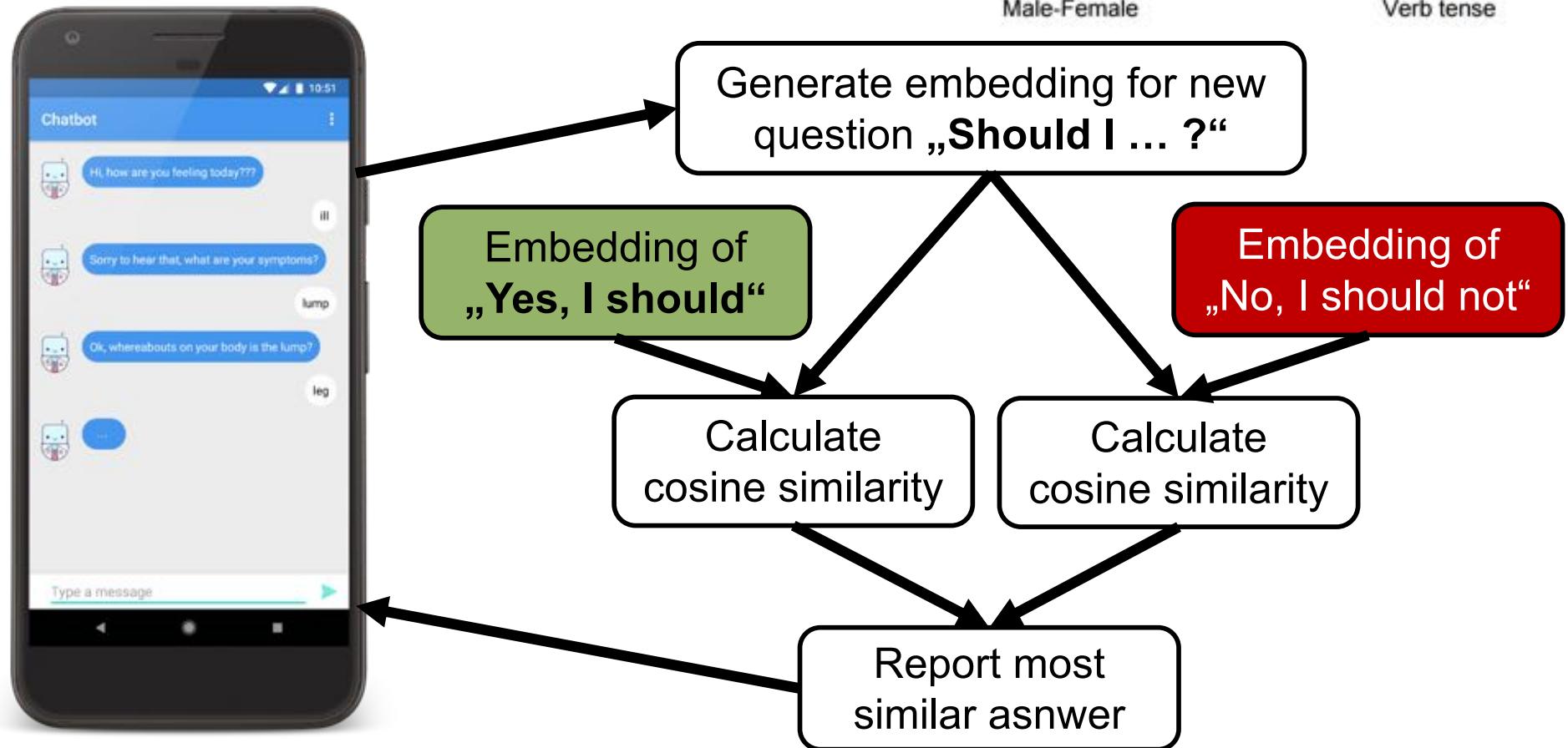
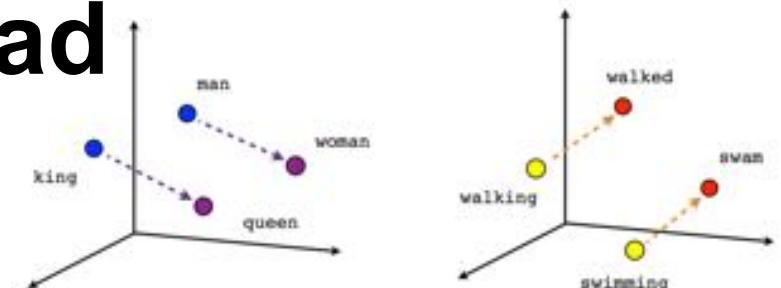
The Moral Choice Machine

Not all stereotypes are bad

[Jentzsch, Schramowski, Rothkopf,
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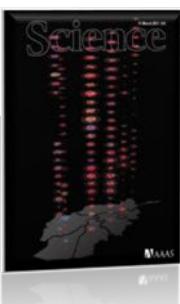
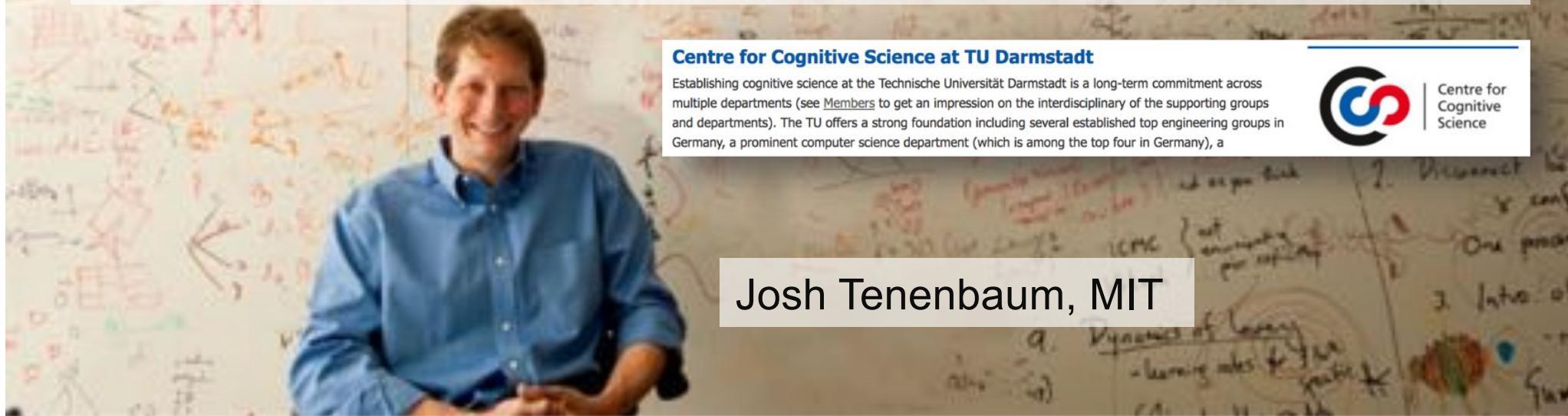
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Algorithms of intelligent behaviour teach us a lot about ourselves

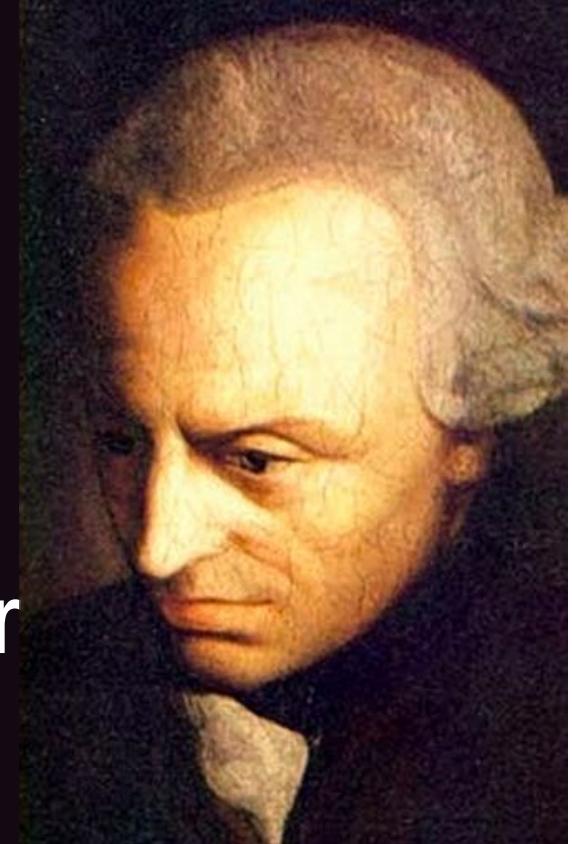
The twin science: cognitive science

"How do we humans get so much from so little?" and by that I mean how do we acquire our understanding of the world given what is clearly by today's engineering standards so little data, so little time, and so little energy.



Lake, Salakhutdinov, Tenenbaum, Science 350 (6266), 1332-1338, 2015
Tenenbaum, Kemp, Griffiths, Goodman, Science 331 (6022), 1279-1285, 2011

So yes, there seems to be ways to teach morality to machines! This is important for law and policing.



But there is still a lot to be done! AI is a team sport.
We need all of you!