

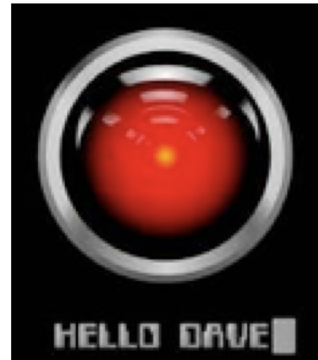
# Lecture 21: AI and Machine Learning

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CS 51P

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# What is Artificial Intelligence?



GREETINGS PROFESSOR FALKEN  
HELLO  
A STRANGE GAME.  
THE ONLY WINNING MOVE IS  
NOT TO PLAY.  
HOW ABOUT A NICE GAME OF CHESS?



# What is Artificial Intelligence?

One definition: “*Building programs that enable computers to do what humans can do.*”

For example:

- read,
- walk around,
- drive,
- play games,
- solve problems,
- learn,
- have conversations...

# A broader definition

“Building programs that enable computers to do do *intelligent* things”

human vs. rational

thinking	<b>Think like a human</b> Cognitive Modeling	<b>Think rationally</b> Logic-based Systems
vs.		
acting	<b>Act like a human</b> Turing Test	<b>Act rationally</b> Rational Agents

# What challenges are there?



# What challenges are there?



## Perception

- perceive the environment via sensors

## Computer vision (perception via images/video)

- process visual information
- object identification, face recognition, motion tracking

## Natural language processing and generation

- speech recognition, language understanding
- language translation, speech generation, summarization

# What challenges are there?



## Knowledge representation

- encode known information
- water is wet, the sun is hot, professors are people, ...

## Learning

- learn from environment
- What type of feedback? (supervised vs. unsupervised vs. reinforcement vs ...)

## Reasoning/problem solving

- achieve goals, solve problems
- planning
- How do you make an omelet? I'm carrying an umbrella and it's raining... will I get wet?

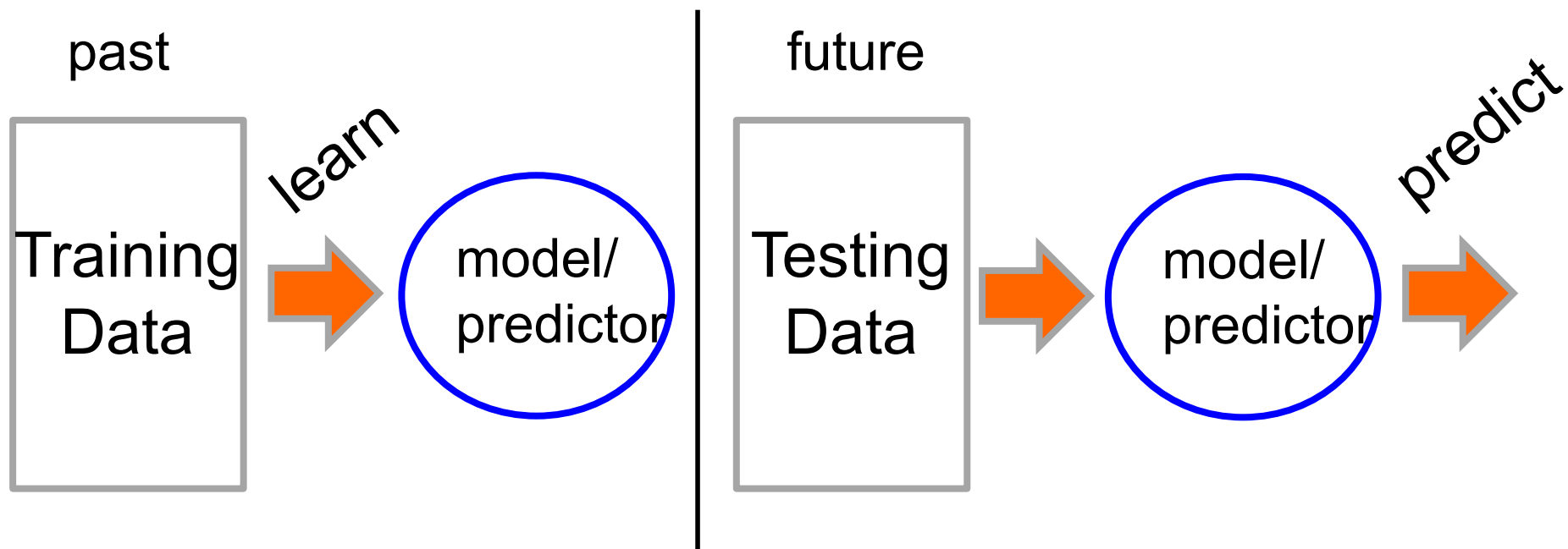
## Robotics

- How can computers interact with the physical world?

# Machine Learning is...

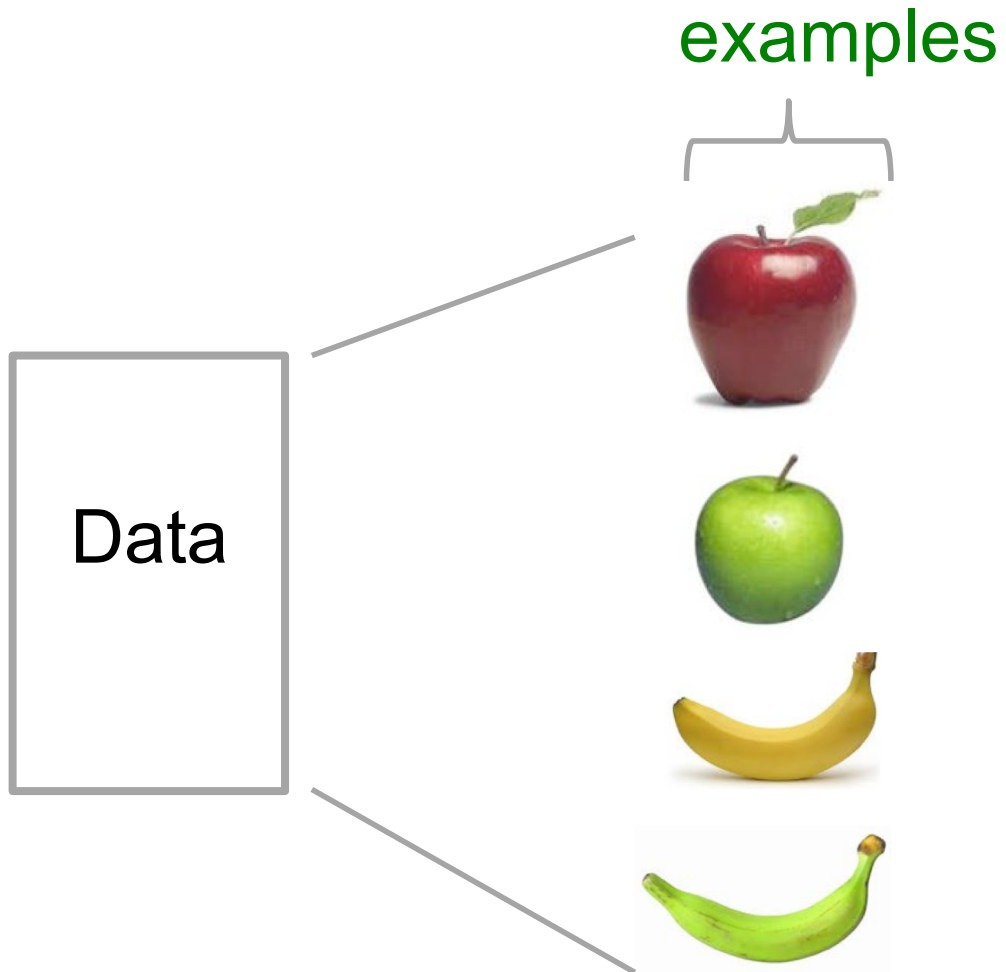
Machine learning is about predicting the future based on the past.

-- Hal Daume III

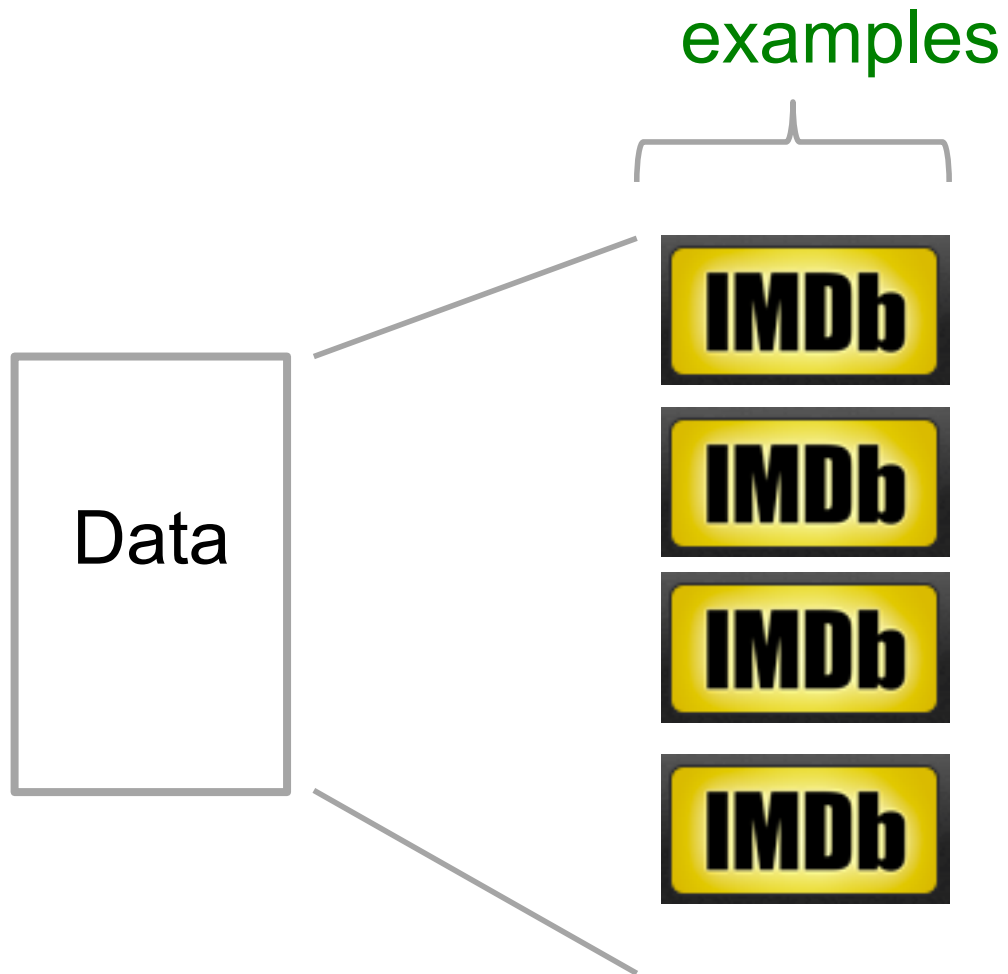




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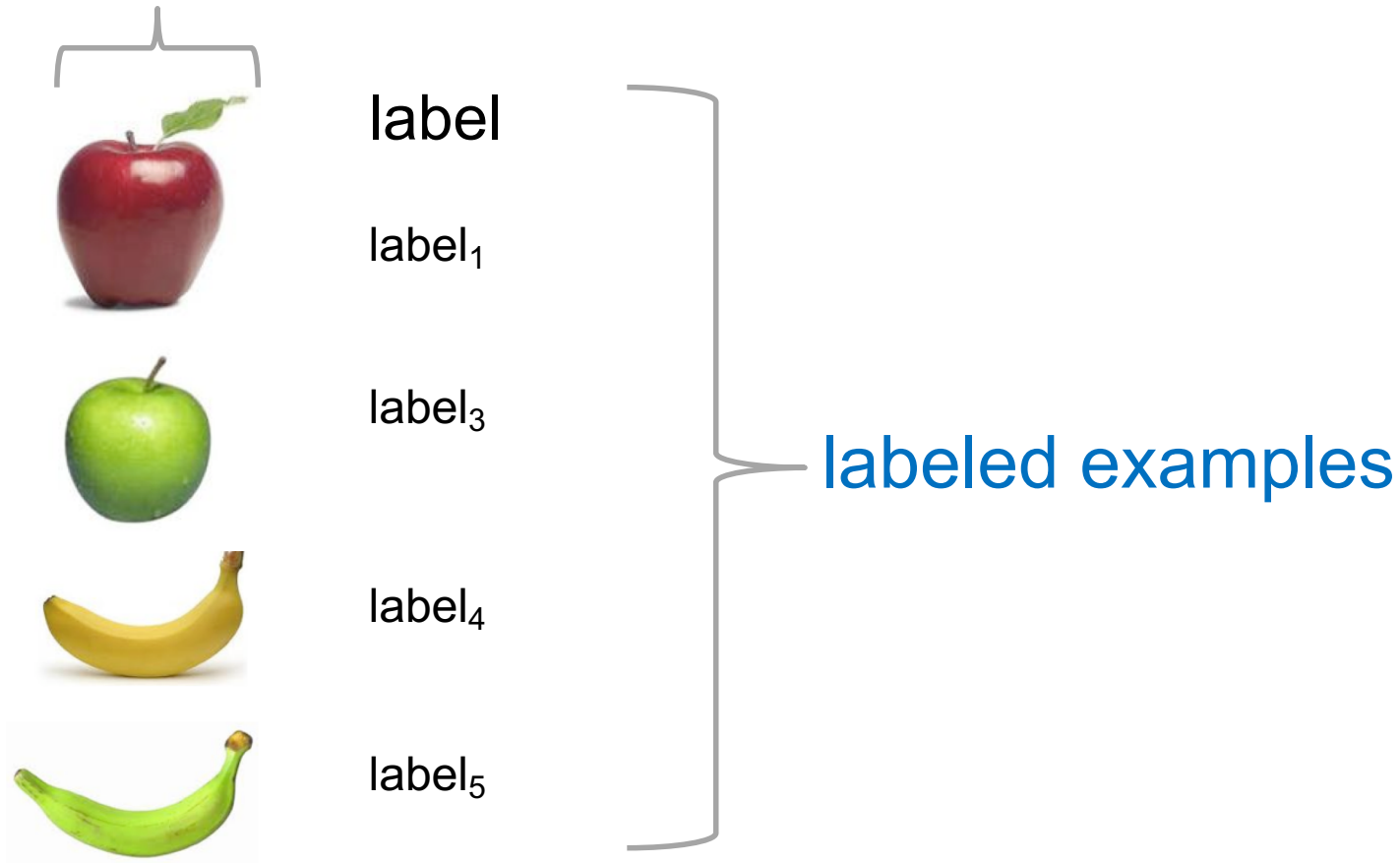
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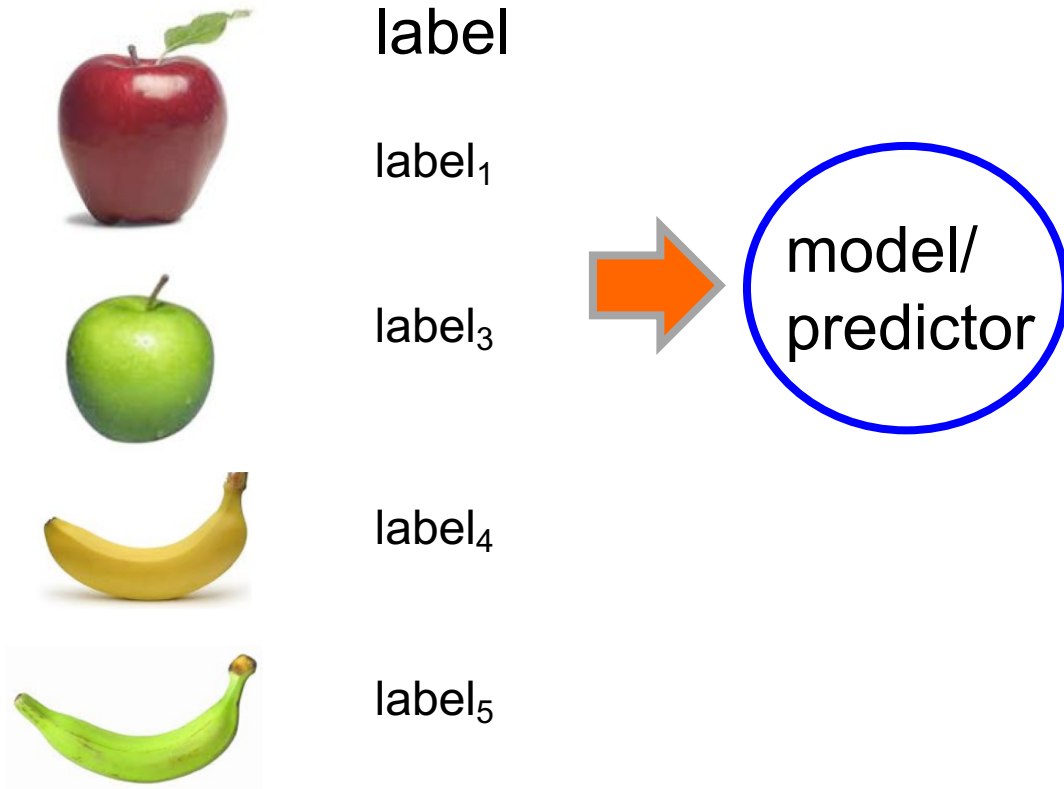


# Supervised learning

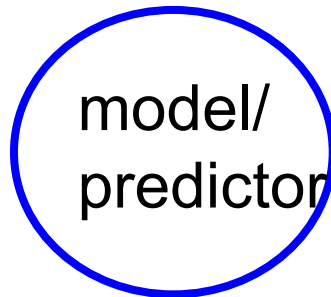
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# Supervised learning



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predicted label

# Supervised learning: classification



label

apple



apple



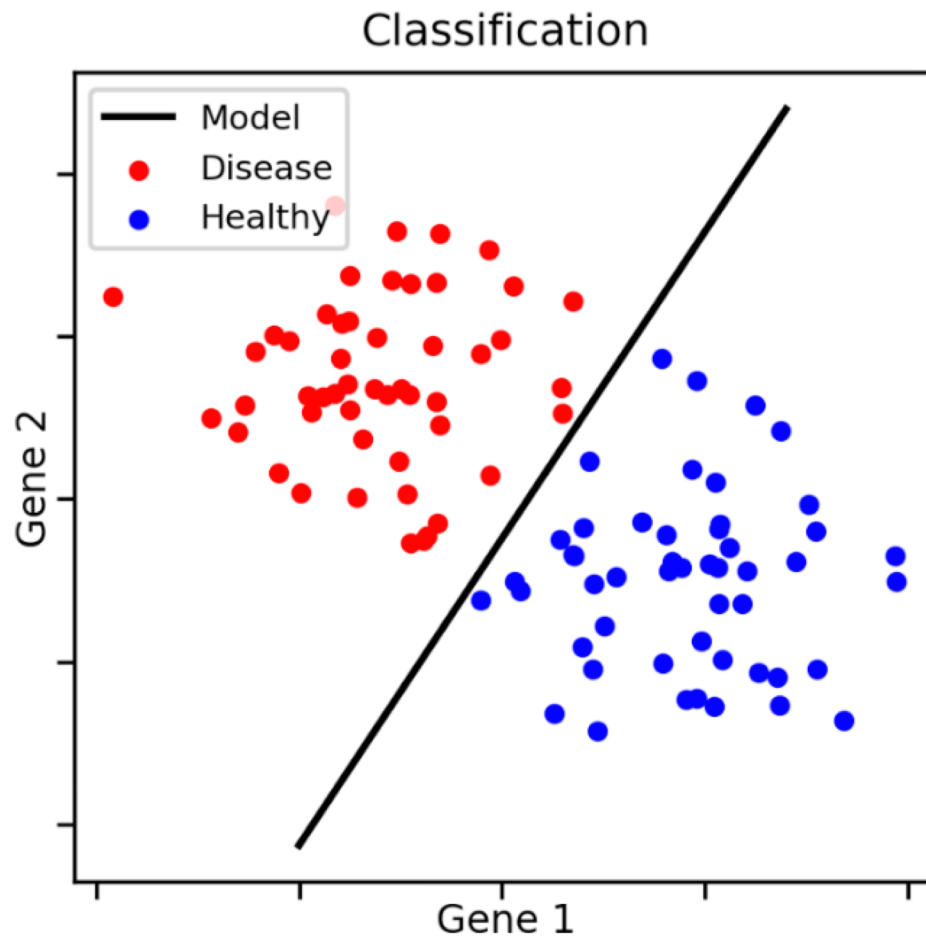
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banana

Classification: a finite set of labels

# Classification Example





# Classification Applications

Face recognition

Character recognition





Spam detection

Medical diagnosis: From symptoms to illnesses

Biometrics: Recognition/authentication using physical and/or behavioral characteristics: Face, iris, signature, etc

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# Supervised learning: regression

	label
	-4.5
	10.1
	3.2
	4.3

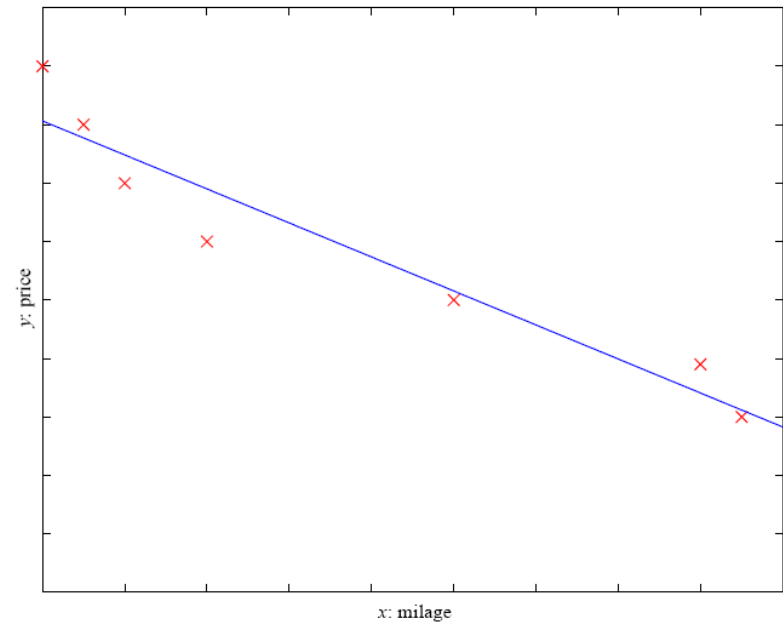
Regression: label is real-valued

# Regression Example

Price of a used car

$x$  : car attributes  
(e.g. mileage)

$y$  : price



# Regression Applications

**Economics/Finance:** predict the value of a stock

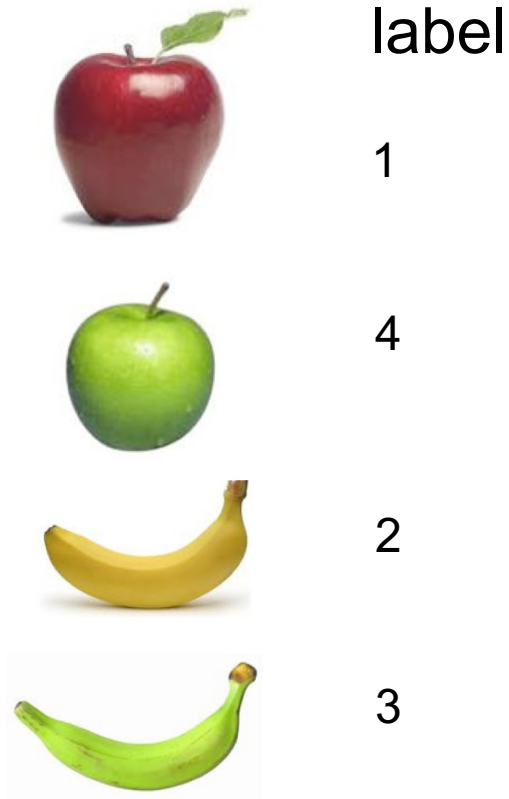
**Epidemiology**

**Car/plane navigation:** angle of the steering wheel, acceleration, ...

**Temporal trends:** weather over time

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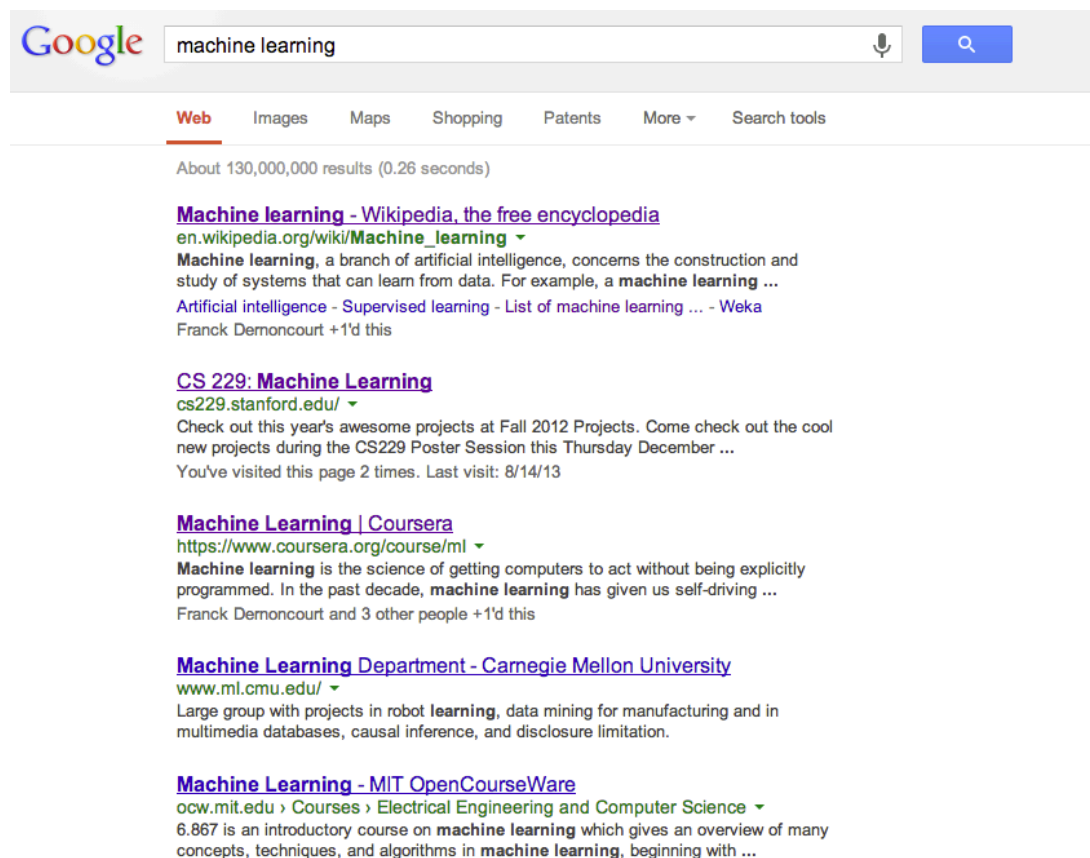
# Supervised learning: ranking



Ranking: label is a ranking

# Ranking example

Given a query and a set of web pages, rank them according to relevance



The image shows a screenshot of a Google search results page for the query "machine learning". The search bar at the top contains the text "machine learning" and a search button. Below the search bar, there are navigation tabs for "Web", "Images", "Maps", "Shopping", "Patents", "More", and "Search tools". The "Web" tab is selected. The search results show "About 130,000,000 results (0.26 seconds)". The first result is "Machine learning - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia" with a snippet: "Machine learning, a branch of artificial intelligence, concerns the construction and study of systems that can learn from data. For example, a machine learning ...". The second result is "CS 229: Machine Learning" from "cs229.stanford.edu/" with a snippet: "Check out this year's awesome projects at Fall 2012 Projects. Come check out the cool new projects during the CS229 Poster Session this Thursday December ...". The third result is "Machine Learning | Coursera" with a snippet: "Machine learning is the science of getting computers to act without being explicitly programmed. In the past decade, machine learning has given us self-driving ...". The fourth result is "Machine Learning Department - Carnegie Mellon University" with a snippet: "Large group with projects in robot learning, data mining for manufacturing and in multimedia databases, causal inference, and disclosure limitation.". The fifth result is "Machine Learning - MIT OpenCourseWare" with a snippet: "6.867 is an introductory course on machine learning which gives an overview of many concepts, techniques, and algorithms in machine learning, beginning with ...".

# Ranking Applications

User preference, e.g. Netflix “My List” -- movie queue ranking

iTunes

search

...

# Unsupervised learning



Unsupervised learning: given data, i.e. examples, but no labels



# Learn clusters/groups

customer segmentation (i.e. grouping)

image compression

bioinformatics: learn motifs

...

# Reinforcement learning

left, right, straight, left, left, left, straight **GOOD**

left, straight, straight, left, right, straight, straight **BAD**

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left, right, straight, left, left, left, straight **18.5**

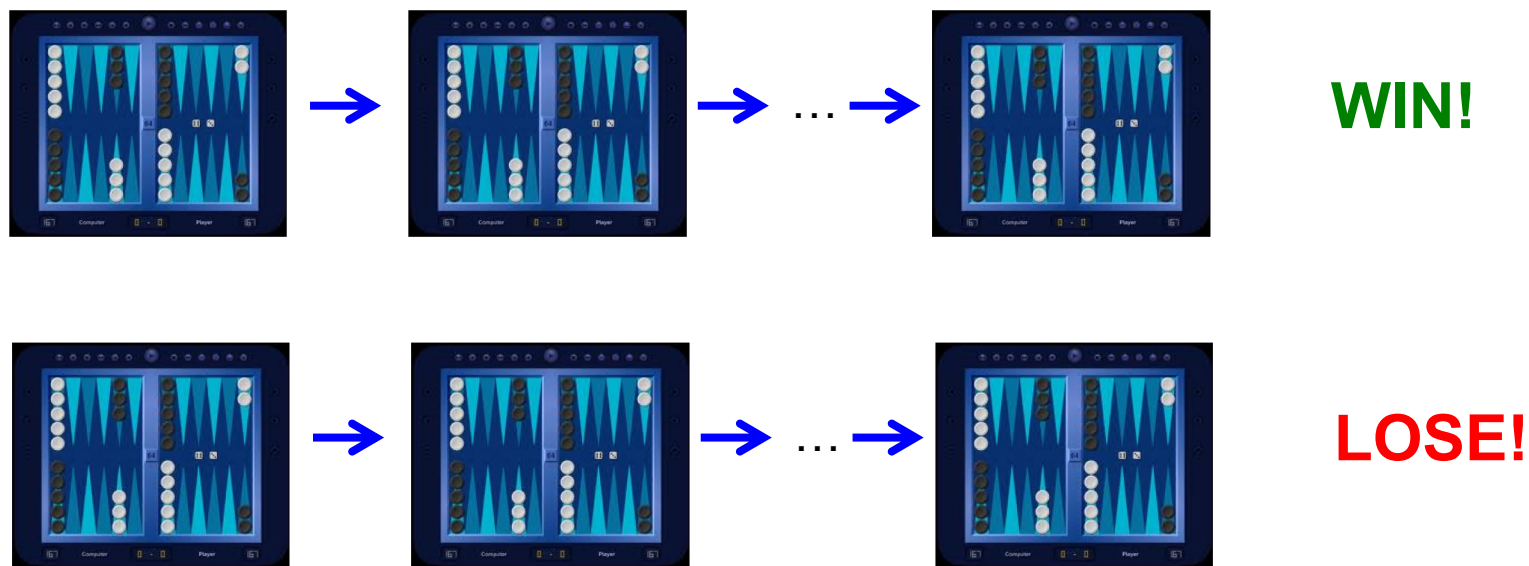
left, straight, straight, left, right, straight, straight **-3**

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Given a **sequence** of examples/states and a **reward** after completing that sequence, learn to predict the action to take in for an individual example/state

# Reinforcement learning example

## Backgammon



Given sequences of moves and whether or not the player won at the end, learn to make good moves

# Other learning variations

What data is available:

- Supervised, unsupervised, reinforcement learning
- semi-supervised, active learning, ...

How are we getting the data:

- online vs. offline learning

Type of model:

- generative vs. discriminative
- parametric vs. non-parametric

# Representing examples

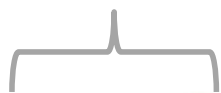
examples



What is an example?  
How is it represented?

# Features

examples



features

$f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_n$

$f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots, f_n$

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How our algorithms actually “view” the data

Features are the questions we can ask about the examples

# Features

examples



features

red, round, leaf, 3oz, ...

green, round, no leaf, 4oz, ...

yellow, curved, no leaf, 8oz, ...

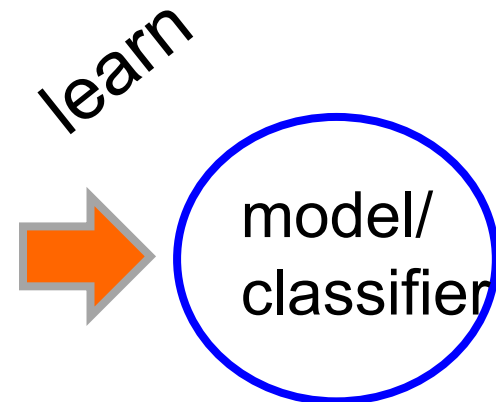
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# Classification revisited

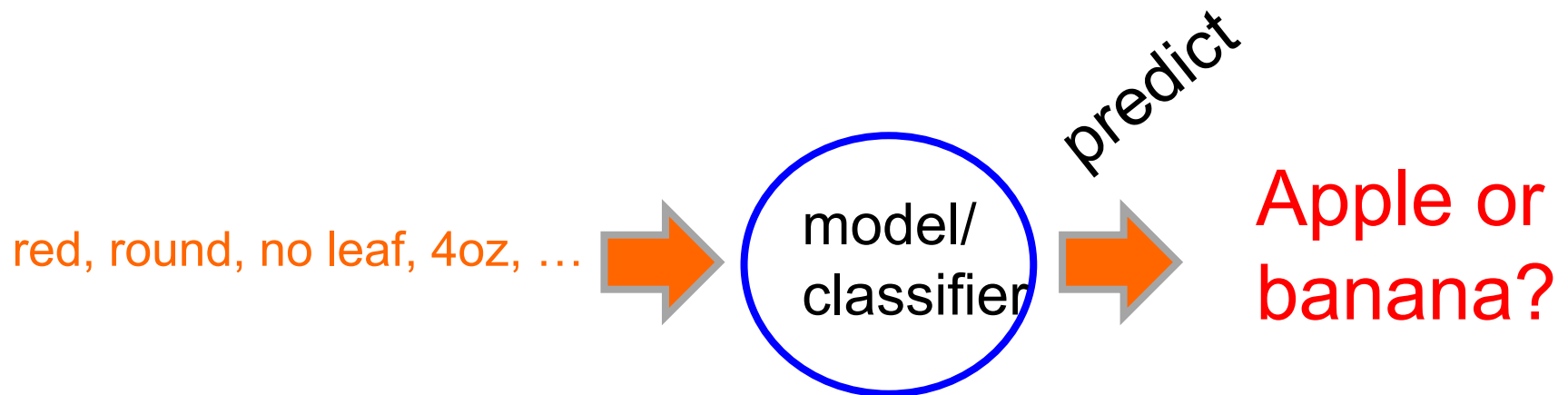
examples	label
red, round, leaf, 3oz, ...	apple
green, round, no leaf, 4oz, ...	apple
yellow, curved, no leaf, 8oz, ..	banana
green, curved, no leaf, 7oz, ...	banana



During learning/training/induction, learn a model of what distinguishes apples and bananas *based on the features*

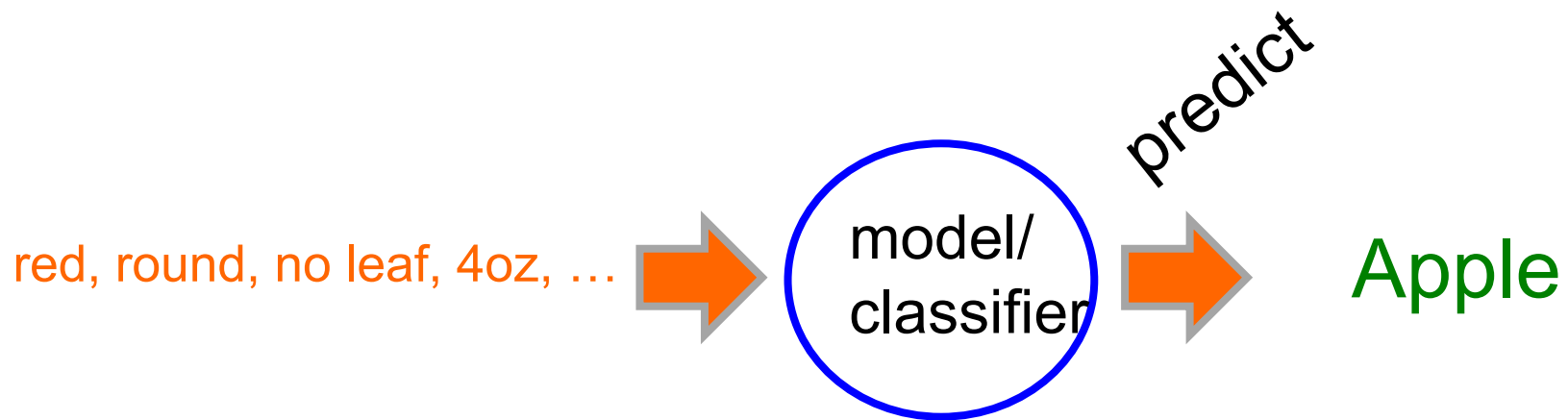


# Classification revisited



The model can then classify a new example *based on the features*

# Classification revisited



Why?

The model can then classify a new example *based on the features*

# Classification revisited

Training data

Test set

examples

label

red, round, leaf, 3oz, ...

apple

green, round, no leaf, 4oz, ...

apple

yellow, curved, no leaf, 4oz, ...

banana

green, curved, no leaf, 5oz, ...

banana

red, round, no leaf, 4oz, ...?

# Classification revisited

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apple

red, round, no leaf, 4oz, ...?

yellow, curved, no leaf, 4oz, ...

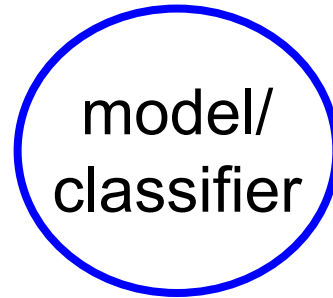
banana

green, curved, no leaf, 5oz, ...

banana

Learning is about  
**generalizing** from the  
training data

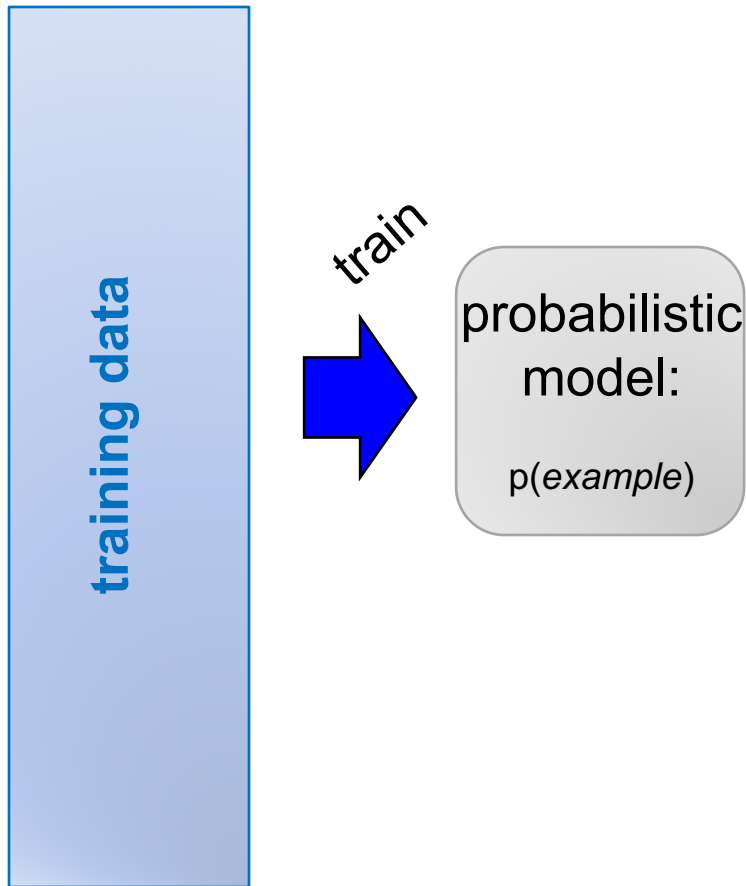
# models



We have many, many different options for the model

They have different characteristics and perform differently (accuracy, speed, etc.)

# Probabilistic modeling



Model the data with a probabilistic model which tells us how likely a given data example is

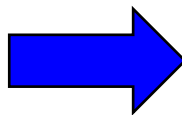
# Probabilistic models

Example to label

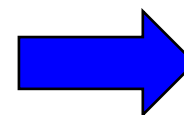
yellow, curved, no leaf, 6oz



features



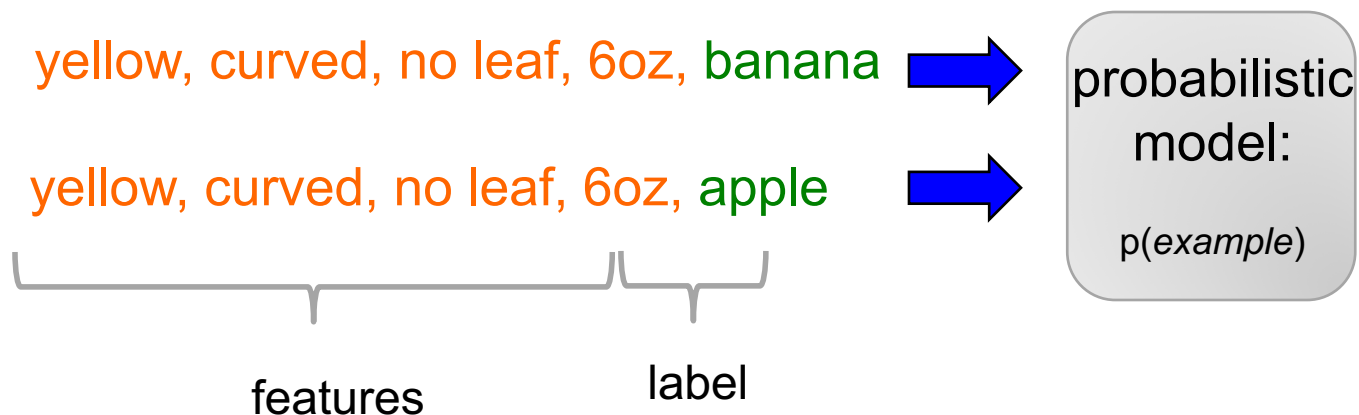
probabilistic  
model:  
 $p(\text{example})$



apple  
or  
banana

# Probabilistic models

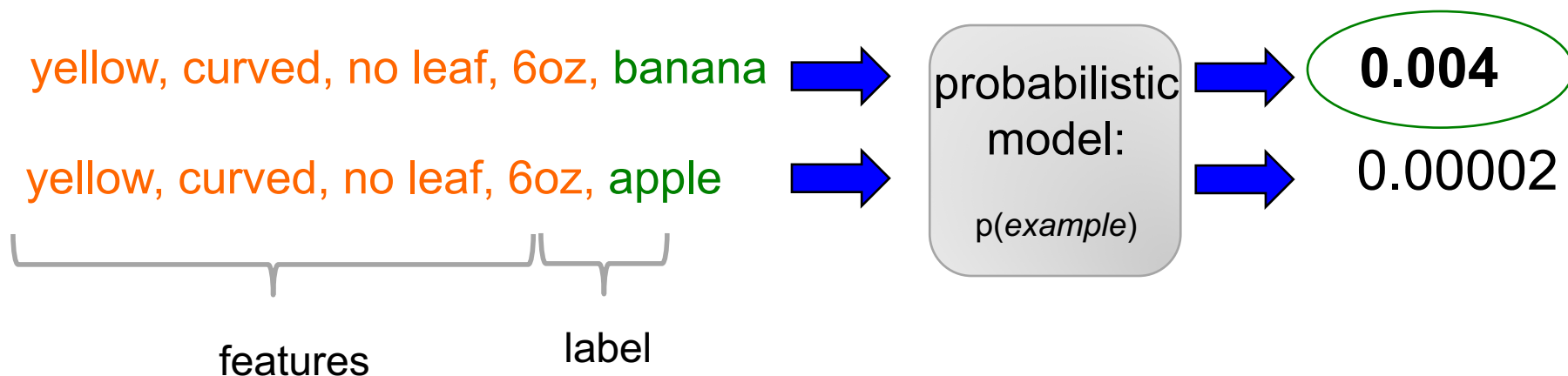
For each label, ask for the probability





# Probabilistic models

Pick the label with the highest probability



What can we currently do?

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## Understand spoken language?

speech recognition is really good, if:

- restricted vocabulary
- specific speaker with training

Gotten quite good in the last few years and shows up in lots of places:

- Mobile: Siri, Ok Google, etc.
- Home assistants: Alexa, Google Home

What does the spoken language actually mean (language understanding)?

- much harder problem!
- many advances in NLP in small things, but still far away from a general solution

# What can we currently do?

## Speak?

Understandable, but you wouldn't confuse it for a person

Can do accents, intonations, etc.

Better with restricted vocabulary

## Loquendo

- <https://www.nuance.com/omni-channel-customer-engagement/voice-and-ivr/text-to-speech.html>
- Dealing with facial expression is challenging

# What can we currently do?

## Drive a car?



Freeway driving is relatively straightforward

Off-road a bit harder

- see DARPA grand challenges (2004, 2005)



And urban driving is even trickier

- See DARPA urban challenge (2007)
- Google's autonomous vehicle



# What can we currently do?

## Drive a car?

Many driver assist technologies:

- Automatic breaking
- Automatic pedestrian detection
- Lane drift avoidance
- "smart" cruise control
- Blind spot warning
- ...

# What can we currently do?

## Identify emotion?

Some success in text

- movie reviews (assignment 7!)
- blogs
- twitter
- dealing with sarcasm is hard

Some success with faces

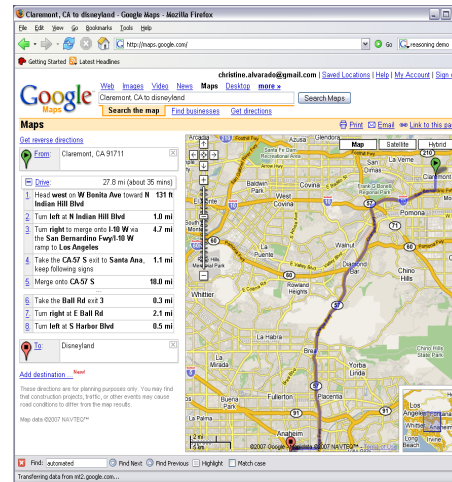
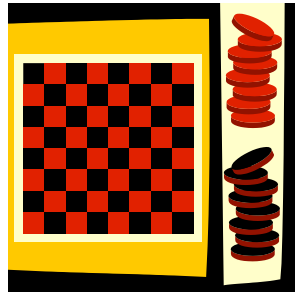
- strongly biased by training data
- works best when exaggerated



# What can we currently do?

Reasoning?

Success on small sub-problems



General purpose reasoning is harder

- Wolfram Alpha
- OpenCyc



# What can we currently do?

## Walk?

Robots have had a variety of locomotion methods

Walking with legs, is challenging

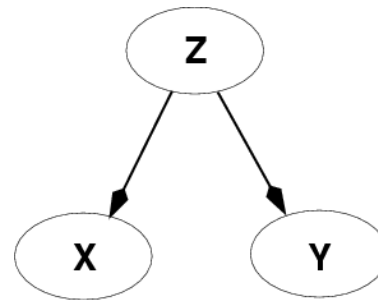
- Differing terrains, stairs, running, ramps, etc.

Recently, a number of successes

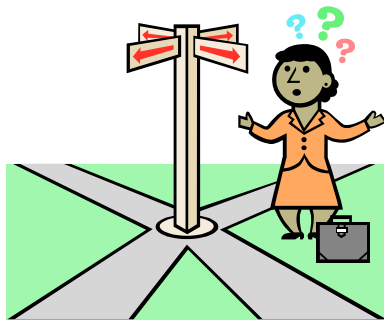
- Honda's Asimo
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SARB9OIWz4>
- Sony QRIO
  - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9vwZ5FQEUFg>
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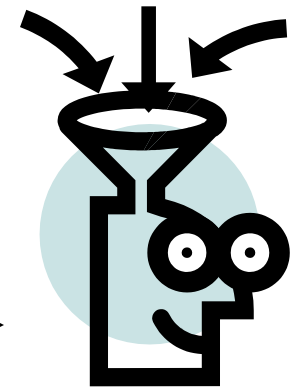
# Fundamental problem of AI



Reasoning with knowledge and uncertainty



Many different ways of making an agent intelligent



# AI and Ethics

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