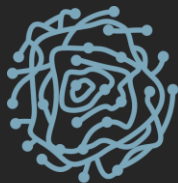


# Deep Learning for AI: turning the GPS on

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**MPBA**

PREDICTIVE MODELS  
FOR BIOMEDICINE & ENVIRONMENT

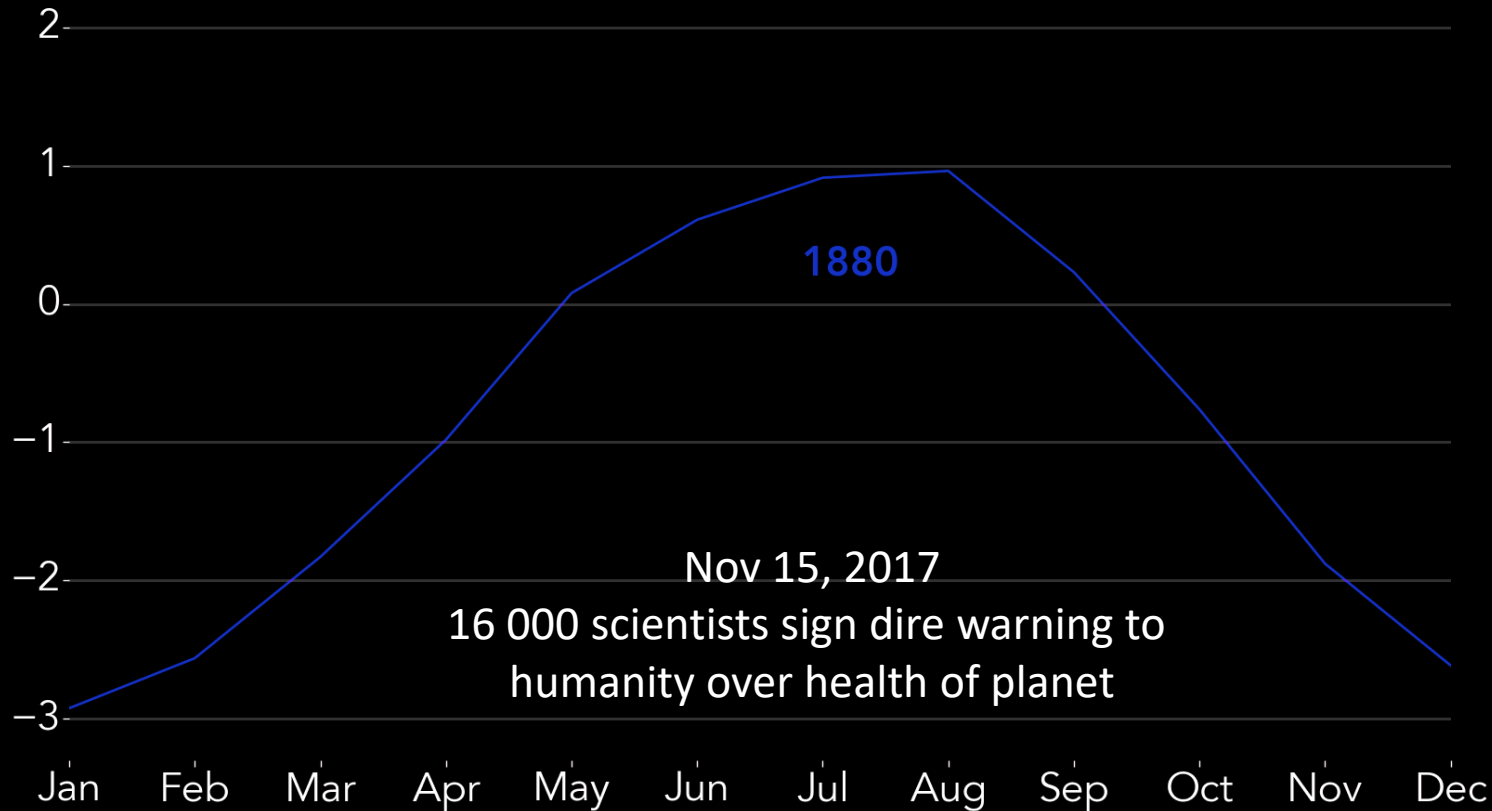


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## Temperature Anomaly ( ° C)

(Difference from 1980-2015 annual mean)

Record Years



# changing the world



Smart Cities & Communities, Health & Well Being,  
Future Media, Machine Translation, Smart Digital  
Industry, Data Science, CyberSecurity



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# REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE OF LANDSCAPE IN RESEARCH & INNOVATION

WORLD  
COMPETITION

RISKS FOR  
SOCIETY

HYPES

FREE SPACE

RESOURCES

**Private traits and attributes are predictable  
from digital records of human behavior**

**IoT, Industry, Retail, Finance, Healthcare,  
Agriculture already changed**

**Machine Learning as commodity (0.9 \$/h)**

**0.3-0.5% of the population knows how to code**

## PRODUCTS



OBSERVATION



FORECAST



INTEGRATION OF  
EXISTING SYSTEMS



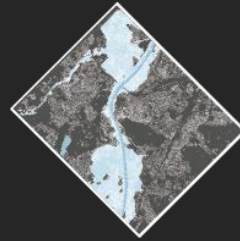
UNMANNED AI  
SOLUTIONS



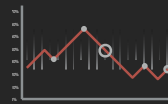
DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEMS

# WHERE TO START ?

## BIG / DATA



DATA  
LANDSCAPE



HISTORICAL DATA



ORGANIZATION  
PROCESS



SOCIAL MEDIA  
DATA STREAMS

## HUMAN RESOURCES



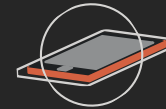
AI / ML  
PRACTITIONERS



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## TECHNOLOGIES



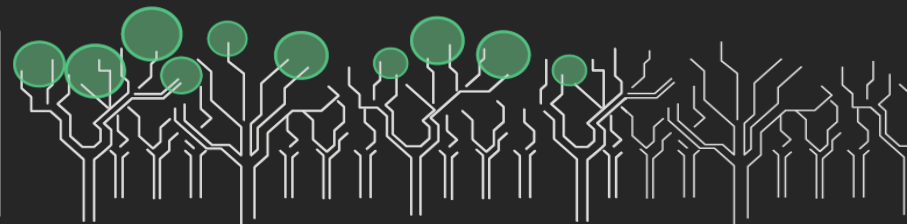
SMARTPHONE APP



WEB INTERFACES



WEARABLES



# UNDER THE HOOD



**“It’s ML, not magic”**

Credits: @smerity

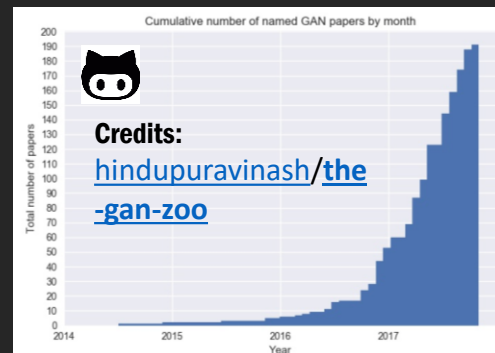
- **The Data Science stack (Python, R) and resources ( [arXiv.org](https://arxiv.org) )**
- **Keras with TensorFlow backend**
- **PyTorch**
- **Fast, well tuned baselines**
- **Model Selection: human intuition in Deep Learning is bad**
- **Ability to accurately measure progress over time**

**OK, but ... do I need a GPU Armada?**



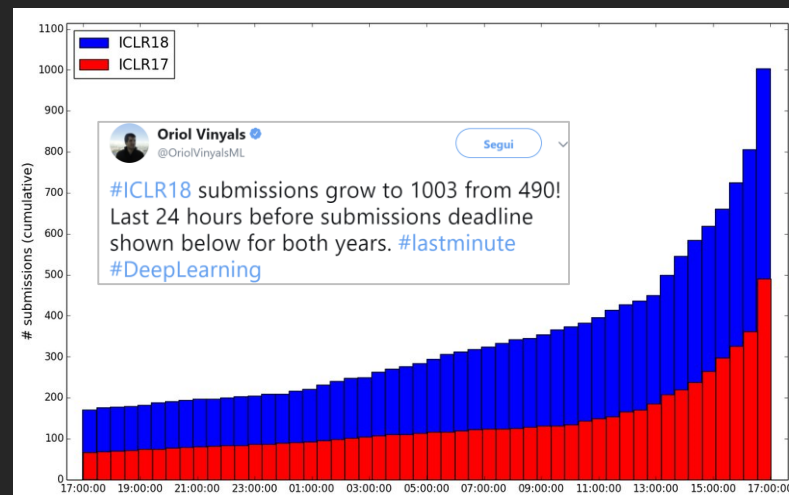
# FLOOD & FIRE

Generative  
Adversarial  
Networks (GANs)  
new models only



unprecedented and growing cost  
of keeping track of new DL ideas

- Karpathy's <http://www.arxiv-sanity.com/>
- <http://search.iclr2018.smerity.com/>:  
hits RNN: 324, CNN: 455, GAN: 666



# MPBA LAB

**Data Science Lab (25 pe) :**  
**Maths, CS, BioEngineering,**  
**Physics, ...**



Unifarm's robotic warehouse

- **Machine Learning: systems that can learn from examples and predict over novel data**
- **Applied: Predictive Biomarkers, agri-tech; environmental risk, IoT, personal sensors**

## **2 ½ STARTUPS**

- **MPA Solutions: geospatial analytics**
- **Motorialab: sport analytics → insurtech**
- **Multipl.AI: DL for Precision Medicine**

**ML Projects with industry and retail**

**EIT Digital: Wearable Analytics, Smart Retail, Fraud profiling**



# MPBA LAB

- **ML as infrastructure: Big Data Analytics, Networks, GIS, bio-informatics, Deep Learning**
- **Fast deployment of dashboard analytics and microservices (CPU/GPU) in cloud**

## EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

- **Precision Medicine, with FDA, OPBG, Riken; HEP with Liverpool**

## CHALLENGES FOR DEEP LEARNING

- **Data integration & reproducibility in diagnostics and pharmacogenomics**

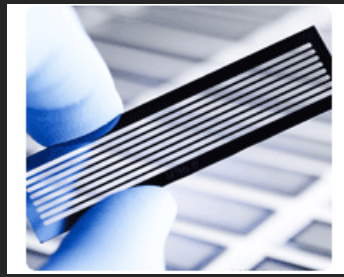


Forecasting EDM Ticket Sales with ML & Networks

**Dashboards as enablers of “actionable” analytics: explore patterns, interact with models for simulation**

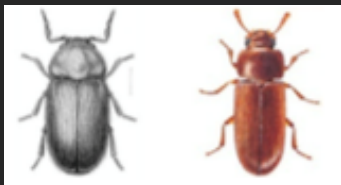
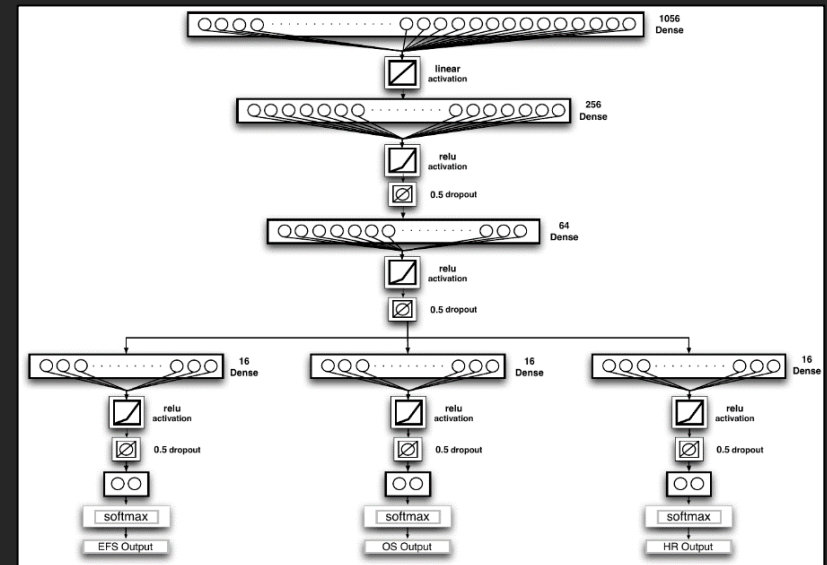
- **Deep Learning as accelerator of new ideas (e.g. embeddings, GANs)**

# MPBA: DEEP LEARNING FOR MASSIVE DATA



## A. SEQC 2017: QC of massive NGS data for Precision Medicine

## Multi-Objective Deep Learning on Massive Sequencing Data



## B. Food safety

# Deep Learning & Omics

New Results Posted May 28, 2017.



## Opportunities And Obstacles For Deep Learning In Biology And Medicine

Travers Ching, Daniel S. Himmelstein, Brett K. Beaulieu-Jones, Alexandr A. Kalinin, Brian T. Do, Gregory P. Way, Enrico Ferrero, Paul-Michael Agapow, Wei Xie, Gail L. Rosen, Benjamin J. Lengerich, Johnny Israeli, Jack Lanchantin, Stephen Woloszynek, Anne E. Carpenter, Avanti Shrikumar, Jinbo Xu, Evan M. Cofer, David J. Harris, Dave DeCaprio, Yanjun Qi, Anshul Kundaje, Yifan Peng, Casey S. Greene

doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/142760>

Deep learning-based methods now match or surpass the previous state of the art in a diverse array of tasks in patient and disease categorization, fundamental biological study, genomics, and treatment development. Returning to our central question: given this rapid progress, has deep learning transformed the study of human disease? Though the answer is highly



New Results Posted March 8, 2017.

## Deep Learning based multi-omics integration robustly predicts survival in liver cancer

Kumardeep Chaudhary, Olivier B. Poirion, Liangqun Lu, Lana Garmire

doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/114892>

Auto-encoders  
+ SVM



## CHANGING THE COURSE OF GENOMIC MEDICINE

Today, machine learning and experimental biology are advancing at an exponential pace. Deep Genomics is where these disciplines meet. Our systems predict the molecular effect of genetic variation, opening a new and exciting path to discovery for disease diagnostics and

LEARN MORE

DEEP LEARNING



GENOMICS



PRECISION MEDICINE



## Briefings in Bioinformatics

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### Deep learning in bioinformatics

Seonwoo Min, Byunghan Lee, Sungroh Yoon

Brief Bioinform bbw068. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1093/bib/bbw068>

Published: 25 July 2016 Article history

Although deep learning holds promise, it is not a silver bullet and cannot provide great results in ad hoc bioinformatics applications. There remain many potential challenges, including limited or imbalanced data, interpretation of deep learning results, and selection of an appropriate architecture and hyperparameters. Furthermore, to fully exploit the capabilities of



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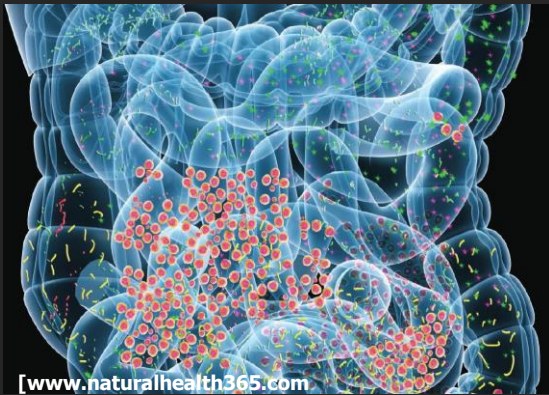
## Multi-Layer and Recursive Neural Networks for Metagenomic Classification

Gregory Ditzler, Member, IEEE, Robi Polikar, Senior Member, IEEE, and Gail Rosen, Senior Member, IEEE

The experiments discussed in the previous section demonstrated that: i) the deep learning approaches are not superior, at least on the data sets we evaluated, and ii) traditional MLPNNs are quite competitive with the RFCs, and in general perform better. However, none of the classifiers—deep or shallow—uniformly performs better than the RFCs across different experiments. The performance of the deep learning approaches may be improved upon with data sets that are much larger. It appears that—at least based on accuracy alone—the deep learning approaches may not be suitable for metagenomic applications. Accuracy, however, is not the only figure of merit.



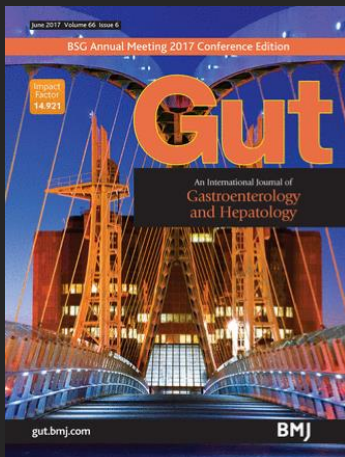
# Metagenomics for Gut Inflammatory Disease



Gut microbiome



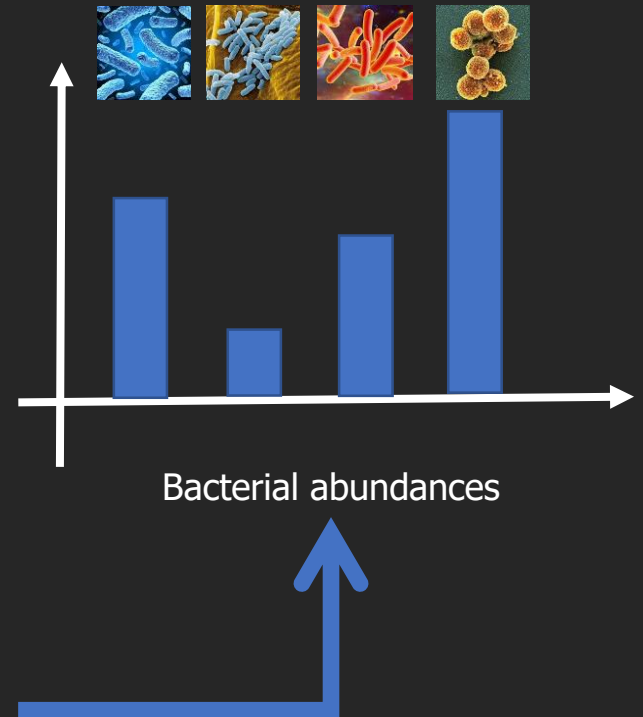
Next Generation  
Sequencing



Inflammatory  
Bowel Disease,  
with H Sokol



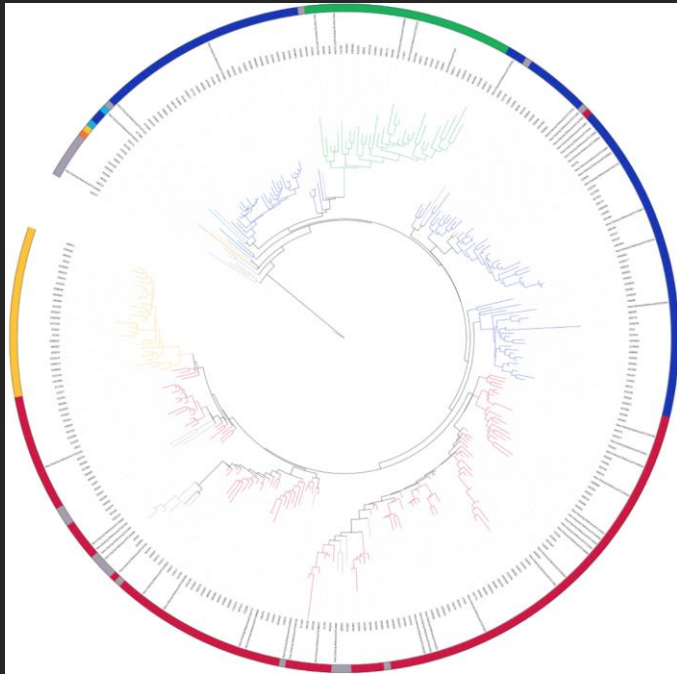
Bioinformatics  
pipeline



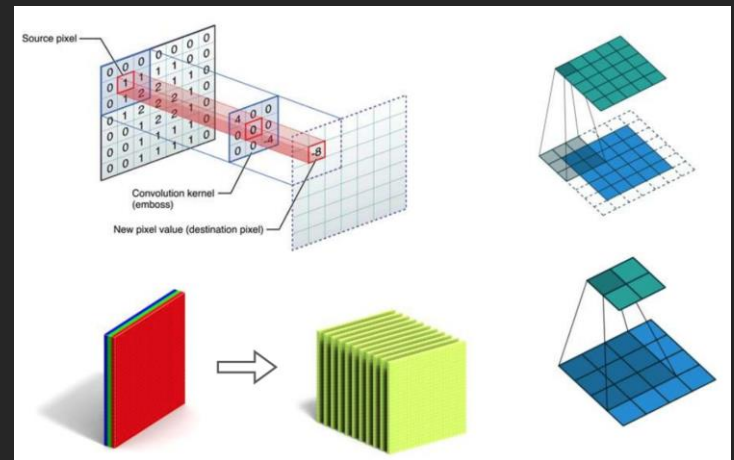
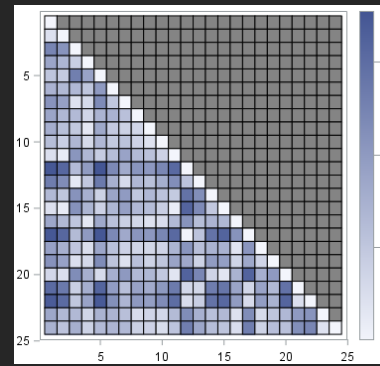


# A CNN architecture for Metagenomics

Phylogenetic tree



Distance matrix



[Perone, 2016]

Convolutional Neural Networks

# Defining a tree distance from “Patristic”

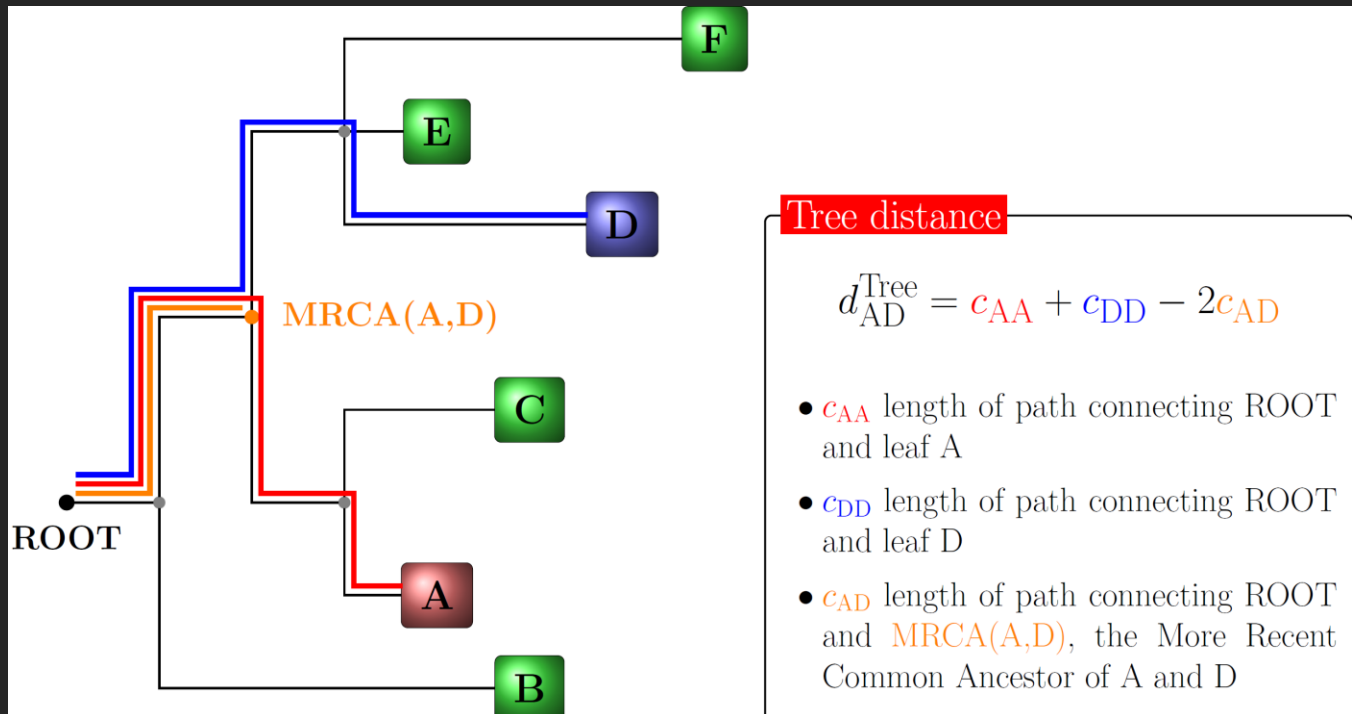
Key ingredient:

Concept nearest neighbours

$$d(\text{[microscope image]}, \text{[microscope image]})$$

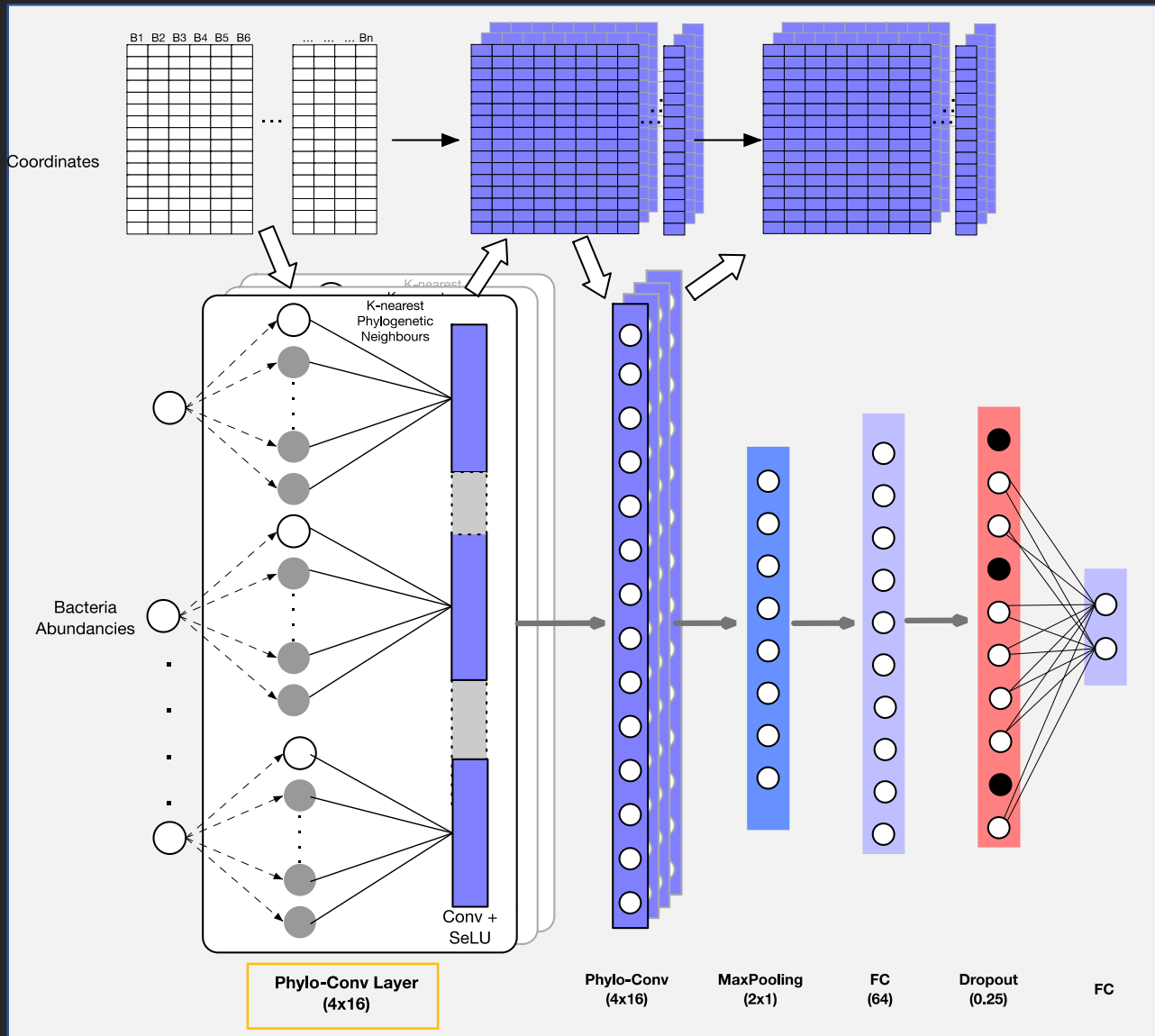
Patristic distance:

$\sum$ (length of all branches)  
connecting two species





# Ph-CNN



## IMPLEMENTATION

- A new Keras layer
- TensorFlow
- GPU Cloud
- ADAM optimizer

# GENERALIZATION TO OmicsCNN

## RESEARCH

### Phylogenetic Convolutional Neural Networks in Metagenomics

Diego Fioravanti<sup>1,2†</sup>, Ylenia Giarratano<sup>3†</sup>, Valerio Maggio<sup>1†</sup>, Claudio Agostinelli<sup>4</sup>, Marco Chierici<sup>1</sup>, Giuseppe Jurman<sup>1\*</sup> and Cesare Furlanello<sup>1</sup>

#### Abstract

**Background:** Convolutional Neural Networks can be effectively used only when data are endowed with an intrinsic concept of neighbourhood in the input space, as is the case of pixels in images. We introduce here Ph-CNN, a novel deep learning architecture for the classification of metagenomics data based on the Convolutional Neural Networks, with the patristic distance defined on the phylogenetic tree being used as the proximity measure. The patristic distance between variables is used together with a sparsified version of MultiDimensional Scaling to embed the phylogenetic tree in a Euclidean space.

**Results:** Ph-CNN is tested with a domain adaptation approach on synthetic data and on a metagenomics collection of gut microbiota of 38 healthy subjects and 222 Inflammatory Bowel Disease patients, divided in 6 subclasses. Classification performance is promising when compared to classical algorithms like Support Vector Machines and Random Forest and a baseline fully connected neural network, e.g. the Multi-Layer Perceptron.

**Conclusion:** Ph-CNN represents a novel deep learning approach for the classification of metagenomics data. Operatively, the algorithm has been implemented as a custom Keras layer taking care of passing to the following convolutional layer not only the data but also the ranked list of neighbourhood of each sample, thus mimicking the case of image data, transparently to the user.

**Keywords:** Metagenomics; Deep learning; Convolutional Neural Networks; Phylogenetic trees

Fioravanti et al 2017, BMC  
Bioinformatics, in press

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### Convolutional neural networks for structured omics: OmicsCNN and the OmicsConv layer

Giuseppe Jurman, Valerio Maggio, Diego Fioravanti, Ylenia Giarratano, Isotta Landi, Margherita Francescato, Claudio Agostinelli, Marco Chierici, Manlio De Domenico, Cesare Furlanello

(Submitted on 16 Oct 2017)

Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) are a popular deep learning architecture widely applied in different domains, in particular in classifying over images, for which the concept of convolution with a filter comes naturally. Unfortunately, the requirement of a distance (or, at least, of a neighbourhood function) in the input feature space has so far prevented its direct use on data types such as omics data. However, a number of omics data are metrizable, i.e., they can be endowed with a metric structure, enabling to adopt a convolutional based deep learning framework, e.g., for prediction. We propose a generalized solution for CNNs on omics data, implemented through a dedicated Keras layer. In particular, for metagenomics data, a metric can be derived from the patristic distance on the phylogenetic tree. For transcriptomics data, we combine Gene Ontology semantic similarity and gene co-expression to define a distance; the function is defined through a multilayer network where 3 layers are defined by the GO mutual semantic similarity while the fourth one by gene co-expression. As a general tool, feature distance on omics data is enabled by OmicsConv, a novel Keras layer, obtaining OmicsCNN, a dedicated deep learning framework. Here we demonstrate OmicsCNN on gut microbiota sequencing data, for Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) 16S data, first on synthetic data and then a metagenomics collection of gut microbiota of 222 IBD patients.

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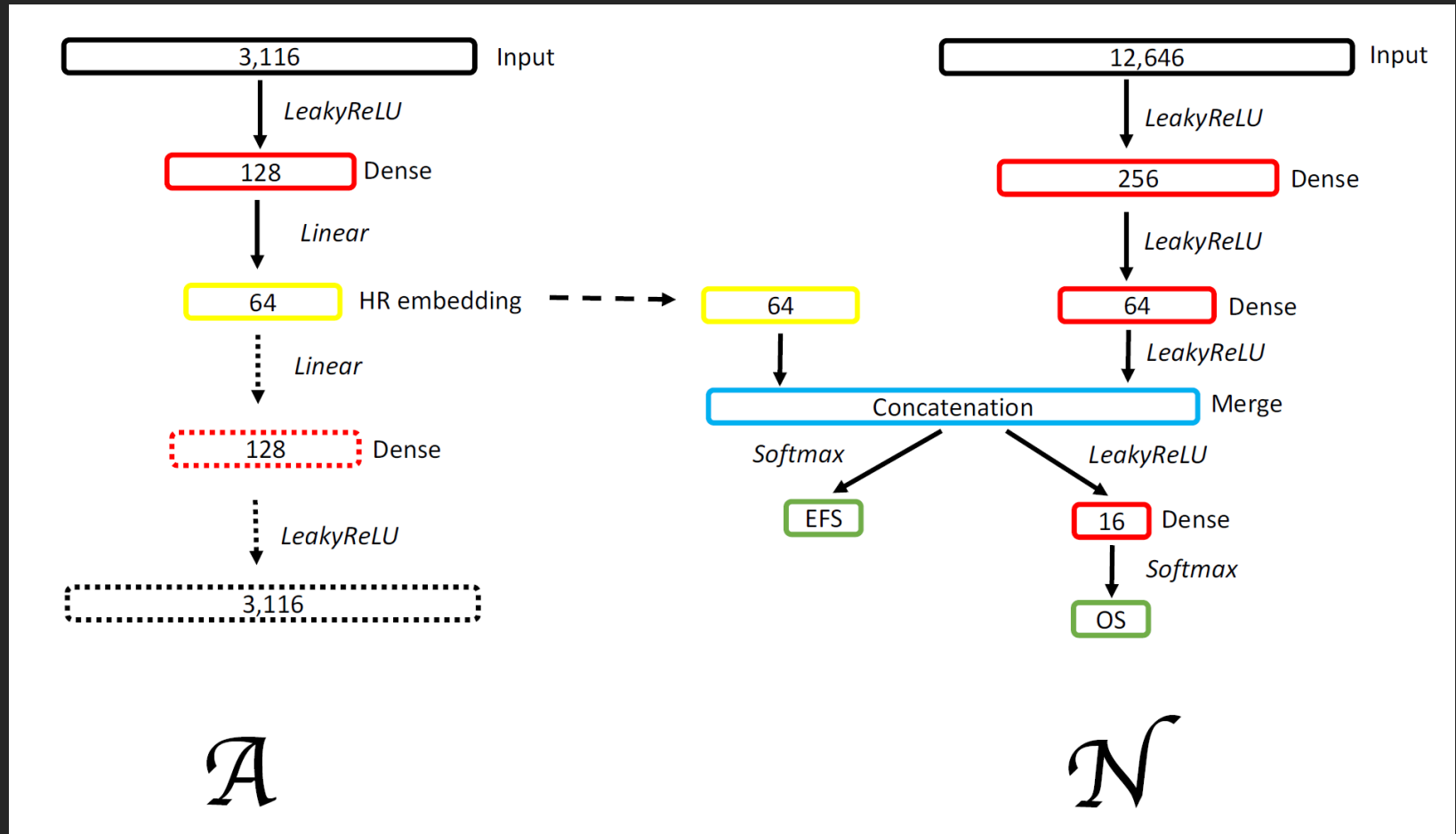
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# Deep Learning for Diagnosis and Prognosis of Pediatric Cancer (500 RNA-Seq)



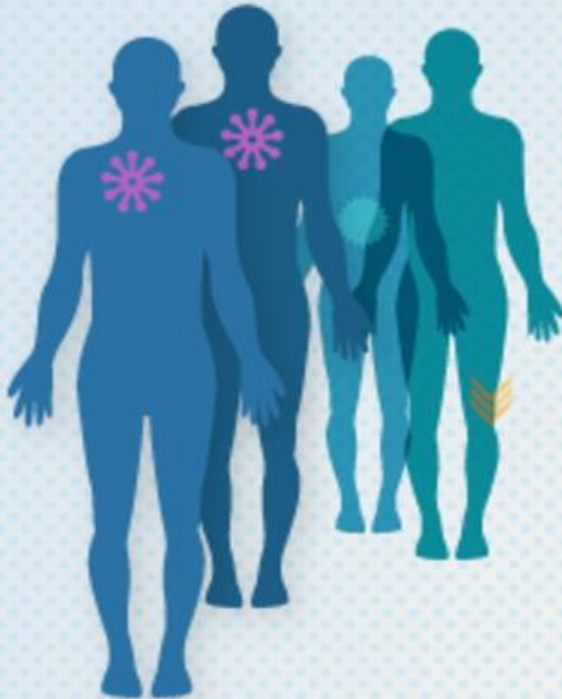
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ML4H: Machine Learning for Health Workshop NIPS 2017 (Dec 8, 2017)

# PRECISION MEDICINE

A unifying framework

- “Treating the **right patient** for the **right disease** at the **right time** with the **right amount of (the right) drug**”

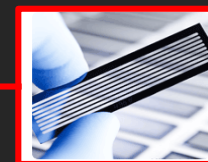
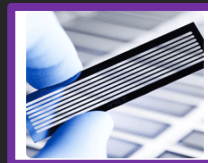
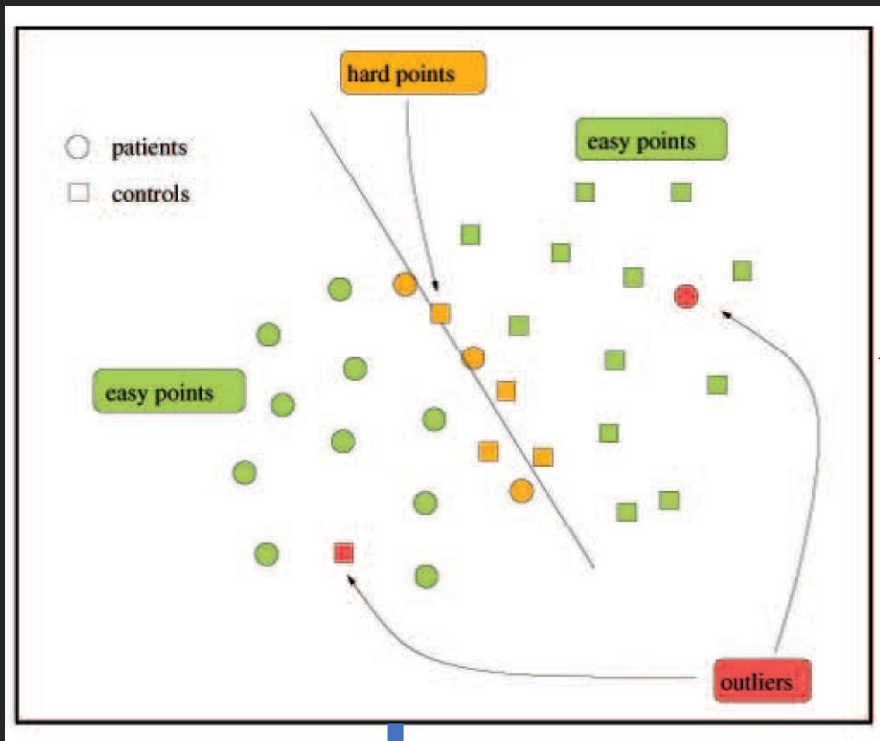
*In Diagnostics, treatment and prevention, we shall systematically include the individual variability of genes, environment, life style*



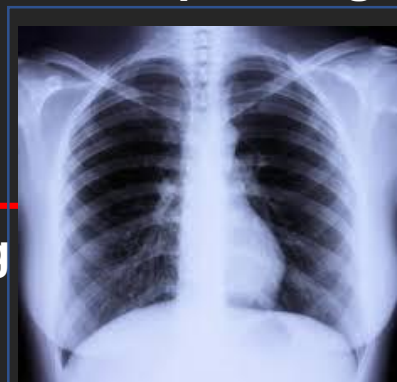
The Precision Medicine Initiative (USA 2015) is the vision that redefines healthcare and Pharma R&D



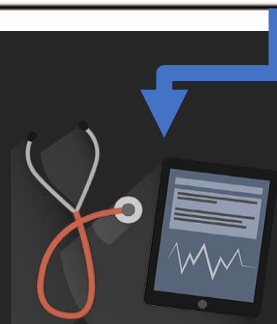
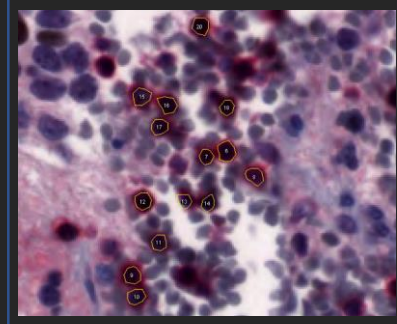
# MACHINE LEARNING IN BIOMEDICINE



Next Generation Sequencing



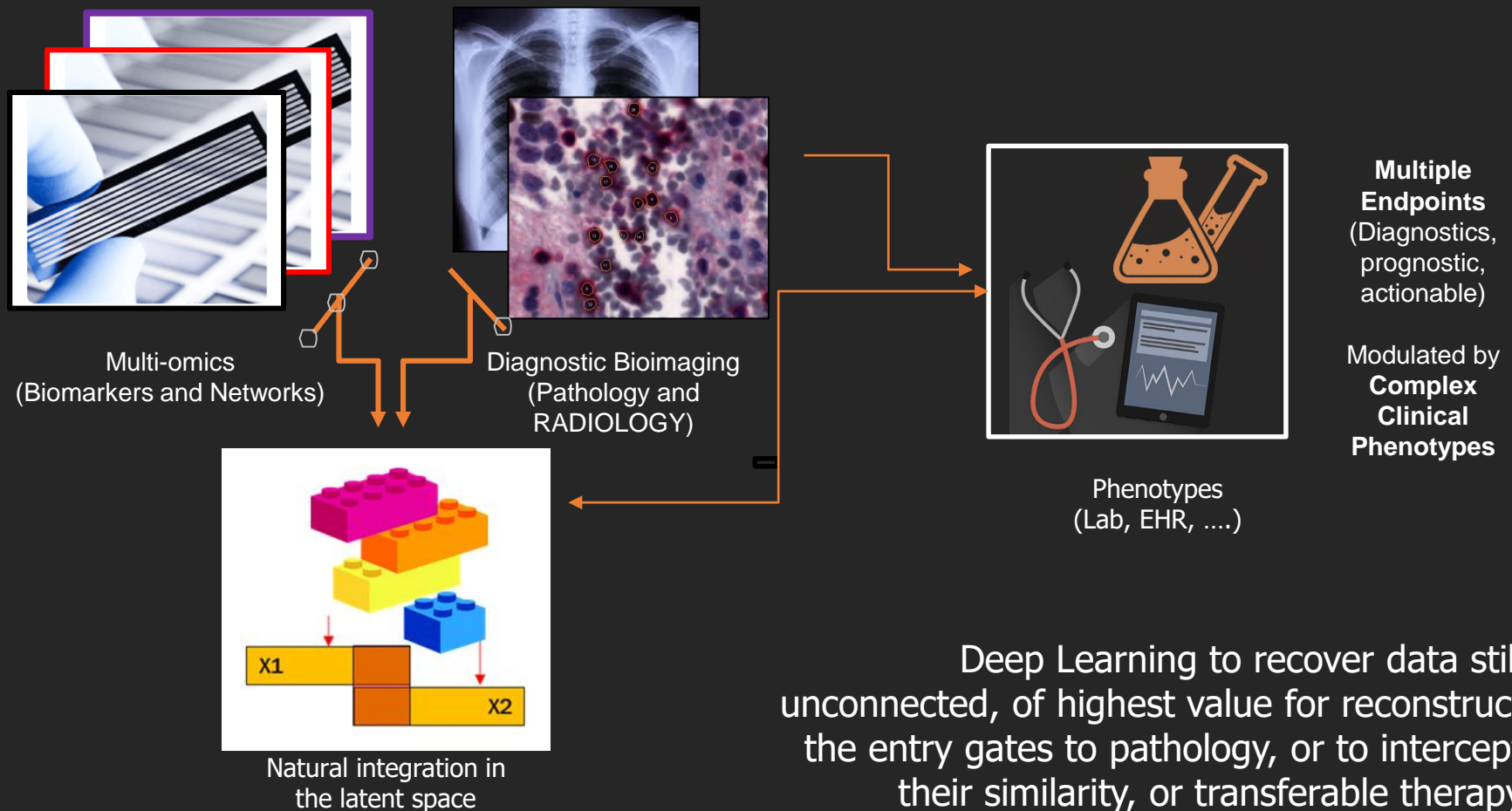
Bioimaging



Outcome  
(complex phenotype)

# CHALLENGE

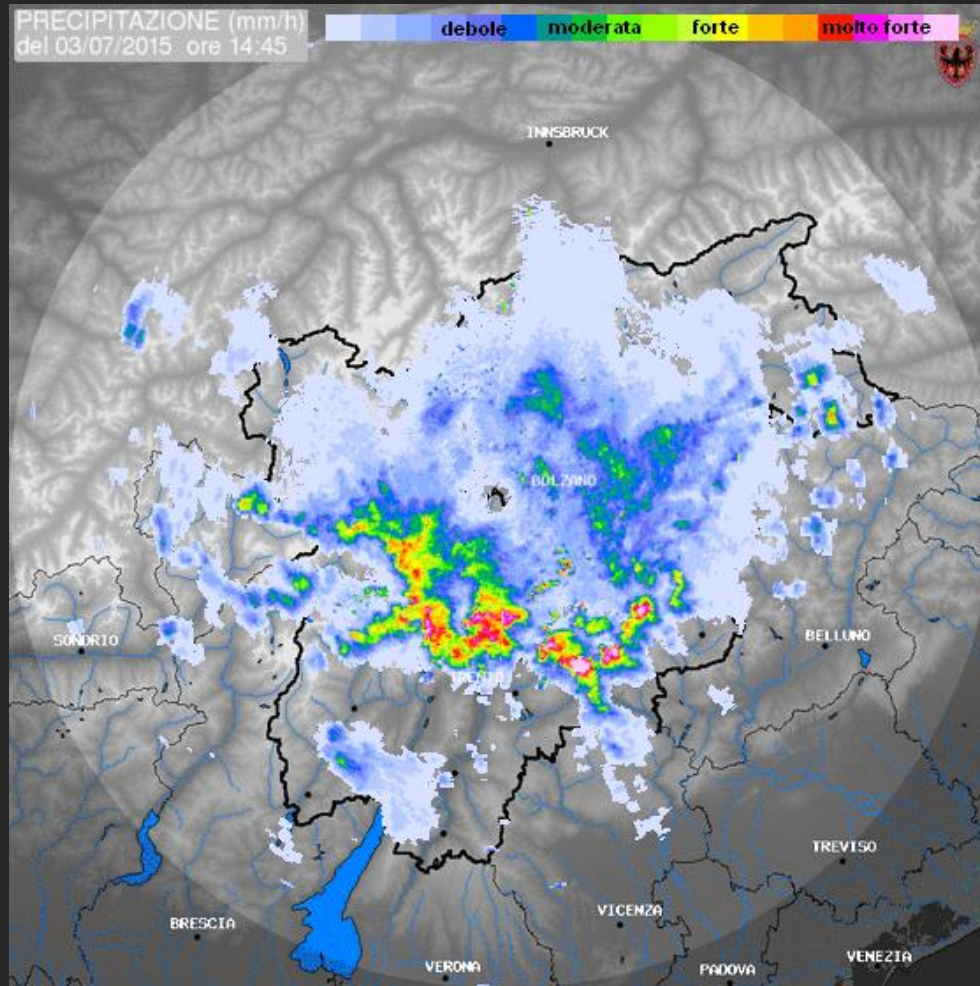
Genomic Medicine R&D is a patchwork in terms of data, technologies and models hard to integrate. We are studying a Deep Learning solution to identify a common share space for health trajectories



Deep Learning to recover data still unconnected, of highest value for reconstruct the entry gates to pathology, or to intercept their similarity, or transferable therapy between diseases.



# FROM HEALTH TO ENVIRONMENT, AND BACK

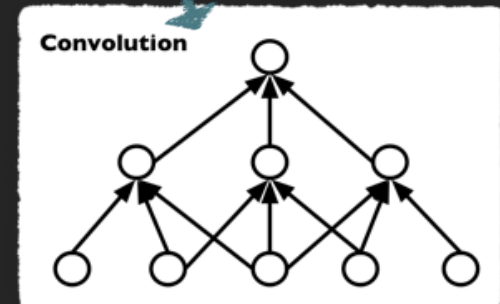
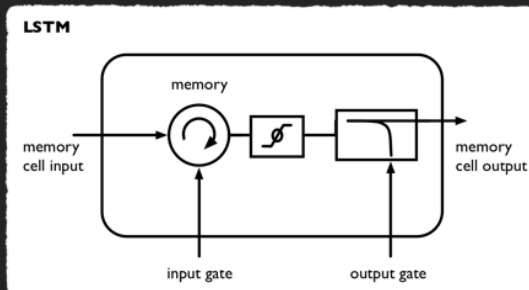
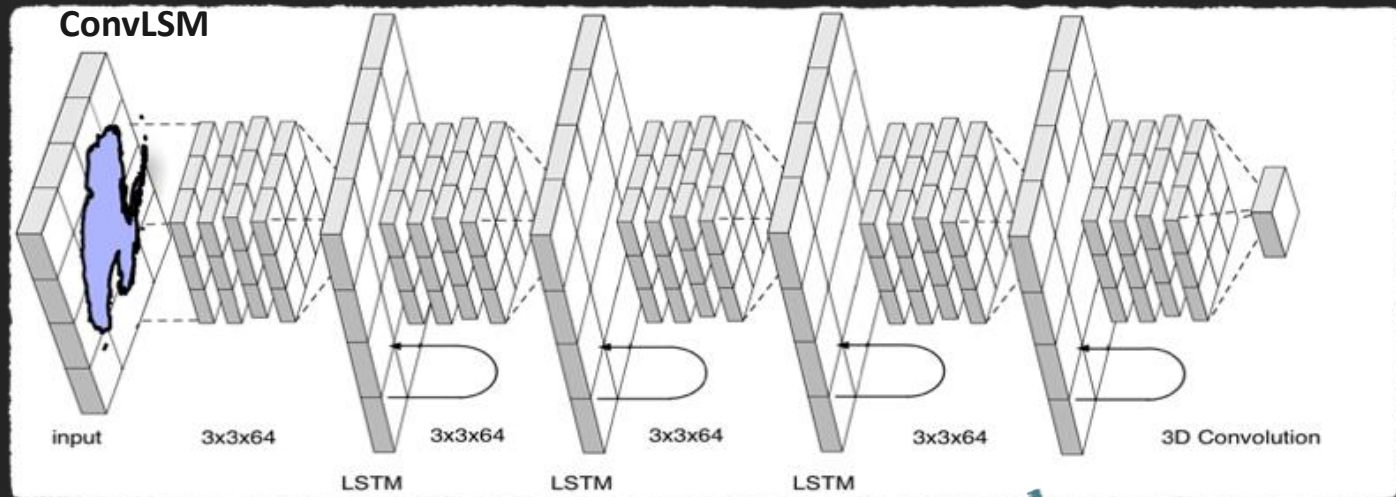
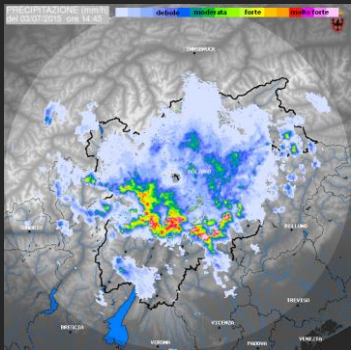


**Spatio-temporal NOWCASTING (Conv-LSTM)**

# NOWCASTING

## Rain & lightning nowcasting (5' - 75' )

## Short-time radar prediction: target for deep learning

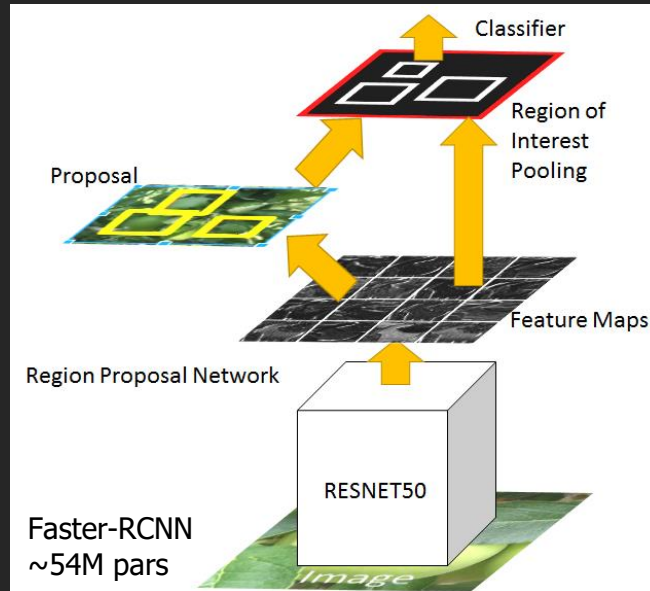


# Deep Learning in AgriTech



*Expert estimating damage*

- Time-consuming methods based on limited data
- High variance



1. Yield quantification
2. Assessment of damage and risk
3. Quality Control



Tested July 2017, Val di Non, Trentino





# Deep Learning as a Service

# Deep Learning for retail

**Embeddings**

(categorical)

**Sales**

(Numeric)



**Target:** daily sellout  
forecast (60 days)

**What:** Deep Learning pipeline for POS sales

**First large scale application:** pharmaceutical retail (UNIFARM),

- **315K unique products, 458 POS over 1642 days** (~4 years),
- Total sales of **€ 2.4 Billions**
- The module is **accurate** (improves over XGBoost): **16% RMSPE**

# DL User profiling (fintech security)

## BIOLOGICAL BIOMETRICS



Your iris &  
retina



Your  
fingerprints



Your DNA

## BEHAVIORAL BIOMETRICS

**Keystroke dynamics:**  
how a user types

- Monitor keyboard inputs (KHz),
- Process typing features
- Defines a pattern for future comparison



Your writing &  
signature

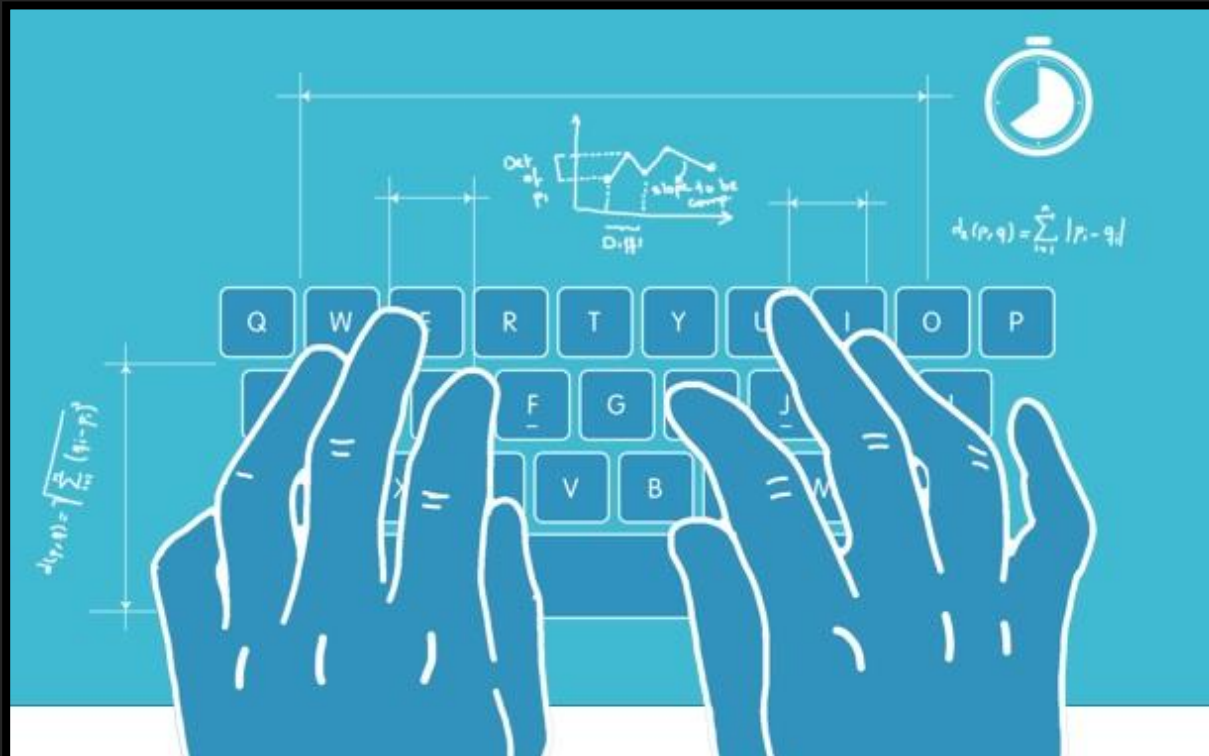


Your voice &  
speech patterns



**Your typing  
speed &  
patterns**





**DWELL TIME**  
The time between pressure and release of a key

**GAP TIME**  
The lapse of time between striking one key and the next

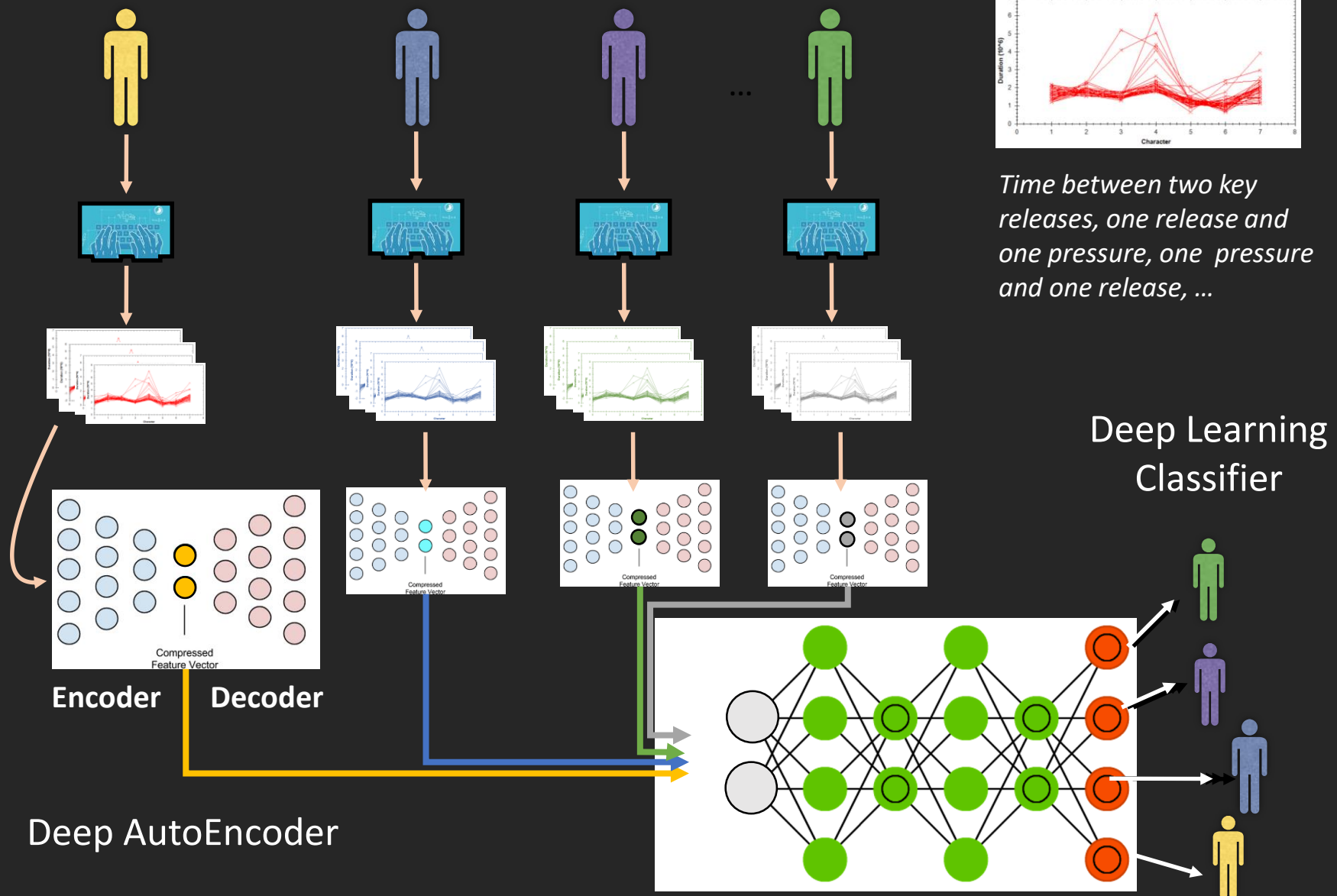
**Your typing speed & patterns**

Identifying an individual based on her way of typing on a physical or virtual keyboard

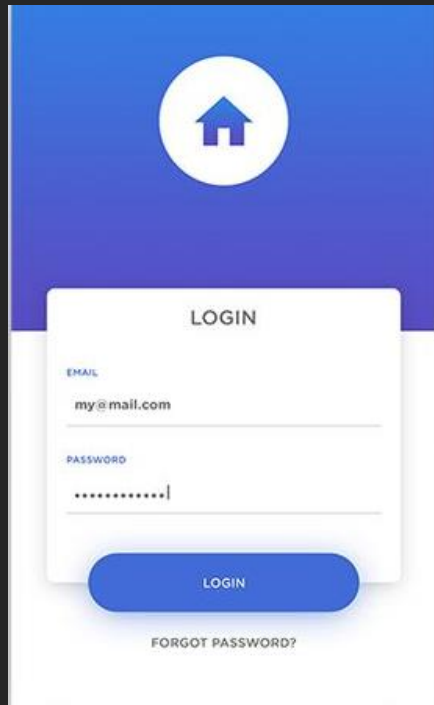


# Individual DeepKS Learner

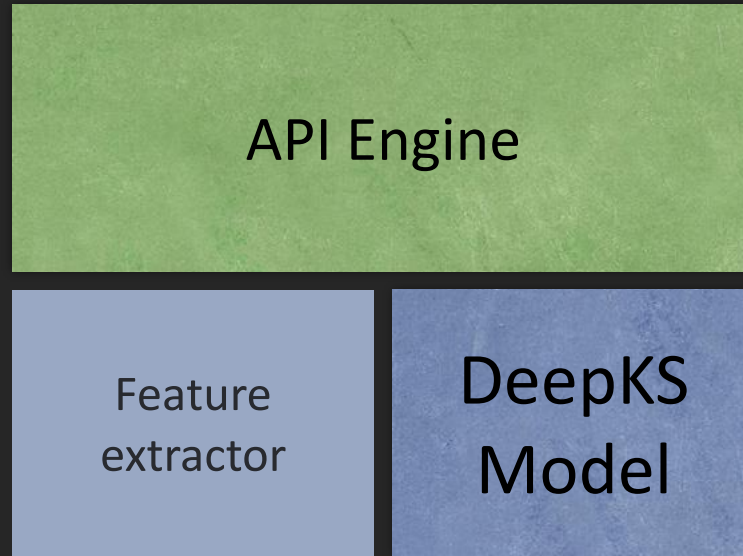
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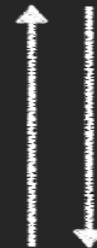
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Raw data, features,  
predictions



MongoDB



# Execution

**R&D competition  
driven by a new vision**

**Innovation in DL**

**“run as a venture”  
within collaborations**

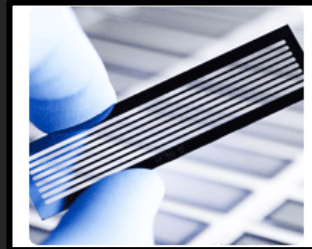
**Access to GPU  
resources, datasets, &  
“open science setups”**

**Commit to grow  
a new generation  
of interdisciplinary  
researchers  
with strong  
entrepreneurship**

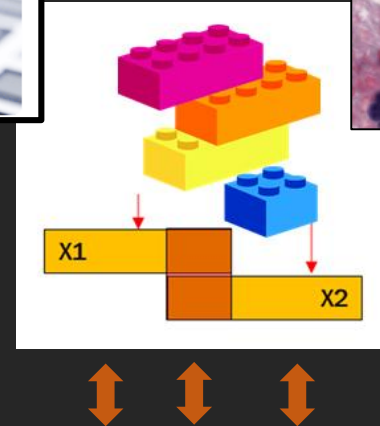
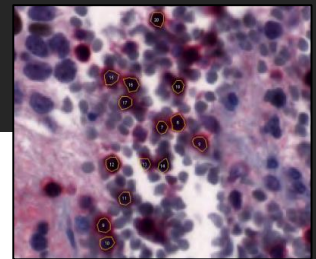
# Unexpected Synergies

- IOT for Smart Digital Industry
- Precision Medicine for biotech/healthcare research
- **Environment:** big data and AI for life and food

Acceleration of  
Deep Learning  
technology on  
Agritech



Enabling precision  
medicine on  
multimodal data



Bayer and Monsanto – 2017





**WebValley is the FBK summer school for data science and interdisciplinary research: close to 350 students from around the world (17-19y old) have attended the WebValley camps since its first edition in 2001.**

**In 2016 and 2017, the team developed a new Deep Learning solution for fruit quality control based on portable spectrometry and low cost images**

**AgriTech as an accelerator of Precision Medicine: Deep Learning, cloud infrastructure (MS Azure), local GPU boxes, blockchain**



# START FAST, START EARLY