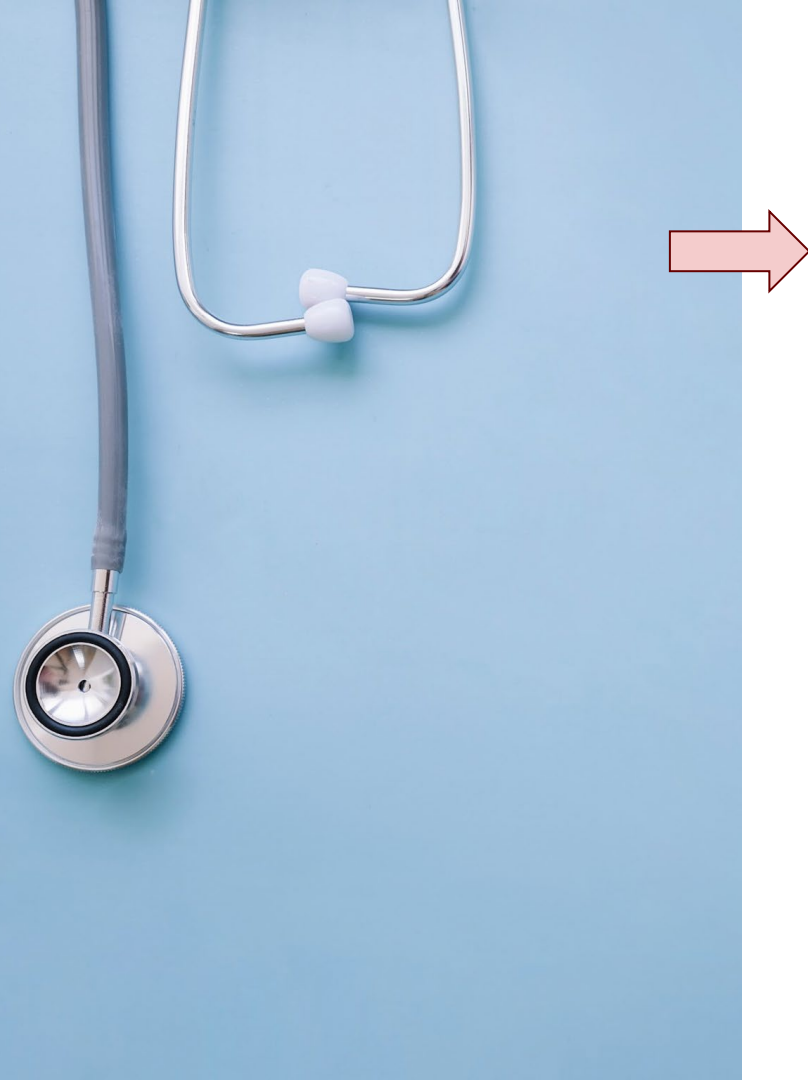




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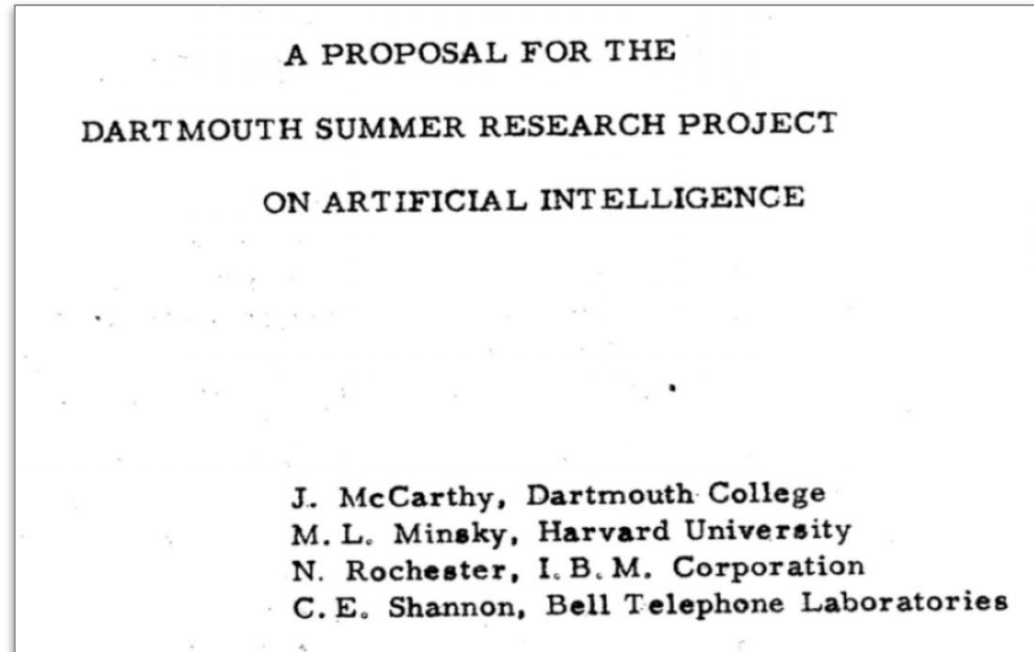
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Discussion of mind-brain relations is, I know well, premature, but I suspect that it always will be premature, taking heart from a quotation that I shall make from Hughlings Jackson—not one of his best-known passages—because it may have been thought to be a sad lapse on his part. I believe it myself to be both true and useful, and so I repeat it.

"It is a favourite popular delusion that the scientific inquirer is under a sort of moral obligation to abstain from going beyond the generalization of the observed facts, which is absurdly called 'Baconian induction.' But anyone who is practically acquainted with scientific work is aware that those who refuse to go beyond fact rarely get as far as fact; and anyone who has studied the history of science knows that almost every great step therein has been made by the 'anticipation of Nature'—that is, by the invention of hypotheses which though not verifiable, often had very little foundation to start with."

He concludes by saying that even erroneous theories can do useful service temporarily. He was no doubt thinking of his own early clinical researches on local epilepsy, the

*The Lister Oration delivered at the Royal College of Surgeons of England on June 9, 1949.

theory of which... in a formula. It is... on logistic definitions which are the more perfect the more they leave out of the vast realms of human striving and usefulness. The so-called Laws of Science had generally no very tidy beginnings. They are no more than science recollected in tranquillity, and not the conscious aim of the eponymous makers of the crucial and revelatory experiments. It may be that the poet who tries to crystallize a moving experience into an immortal line is using his wits in a very similar manner. We must beware of making science too rigid, self-conscious, and pontifical. A. N. Whitehead confessed to me once that he found that he had escaped from the certainty and dogma of the ecclesiastics only in the end to find that the scientists, from whom he had expected an elastic and liberal outlook, were the same people in a different setting. I am encouraged, therefore, to proceed in the hope that, although we shall not arrive at certainty, we may discover some illumination on the way.

Ancient Automata

Before we glance at the new vistas of mechanization opening before us, let us spare a few moments to look at the past, where we shall find that the possibility of building automata has been one of man's dreams since the days of the Trojan horse—a simile more metaphorical than strictly accurate. In the seventeenth century, that era of scientific awakening, there was great interest in possible replicas of animals and men. Florent Schuyt, in 1664, gives several instances, such as the wooden pigeon of Archytas of Tarentum which flew through the air, suspended by counterweights. There was a wooden eagle, that of Regionontanus, that showed an Emperor the way to Nuremberg, and a flying fly by the same maker. There was an earthen head that spoke; but, above all, a marvellous iron statue that knelt before the Emperor of

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Conclusion

I conclude, therefore, that although electronic apparatus can probably parallel some of the simpler activities of nerve and spinal cord, for we can already see the parallelism between mechanical feed-backs and Sherringtonian integration, and may yet assist us in understanding better the transmission of the special senses, it still does not take us over the blank wall that confronts us when we come to explore thinking, the ultimate in mind. Nor do I believe that it will do so. I am quite sure that the extreme variety, flexibility, and complexity of nervous mechanisms are greatly underestimated by the physicists, who naturally omit everything unfavourable to a point of view. What I fear is that a great many airy theories will arise in the attempt to persuade us against our better judgment. We have had a hard task to dissuade man from reading qualities of human mind into animals. I see a new and greater danger threatening—that of anthropomorphizing the machine. When we hear it said that wireless valves think, we may despair of language. As well say that the cells in the spinal cord below a transverse lesion “think,” a heresy

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A three-part framework for thinking about the history of AI.

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IMPORTANCE Interest in artificial intelligence (AI) has reached an all-time high, and health care leaders across the ecosystem are faced with questions about where, when, and how to deploy AI and how to understand its risks, problems, and possibilities.

OBSERVATIONS While AI as a concept has existed since the 1950s, all AI is not the same. Capabilities and risks of various kinds of AI differ markedly, and on examination 3 epochs of AI emerge: AI 1.0 includes symbolic AI, which attempts to encode human knowledge into computational rules, as well as probabilistic models. The era of AI 2.0 began with deep learning, in which models learn from examples labeled with ground truth. This era brought about many advances both in people's daily lives and in health care. Deep learning models are task-specific, meaning they do one thing at a time, and they primarily focus on classification and prediction. AI 3.0 is the era of foundation models and generative AI. Models in AI 3.0 have fundamentally new (and potentially transformative) capabilities, as well as new kinds of risks, such as hallucinations. These models can do many different kinds of tasks without being retrained on a new dataset. For example, a simple text instruction will change the model's behavior. Prompts such as "Write this note for a specialist consultant" and "Write this note for the patient's mother" will produce markedly different content.

CONCLUSIONS AND RELEVANCE Foundation models and generative AI represent a major revolution in AI's capabilities, offering tremendous potential to improve care. Health care leaders are making decisions about AI today. While any heuristic omits details and loses nuance, the framework of AI 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 may be helpful to decision-makers because each epoch has fundamentally different capabilities and risks.

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AI 1.0: Symbolic AI and Probabilistic Models

Over its first 50-plus years, most AI focused on encoding human knowledge into rules in machines. One can think of this as many, many if-then rules, or decision trees. This symbolic AI had some remarkable achievements, such as IBM's Deep Blue, which defeated

the chess world champion in 1997.¹ In health care, tools such as INTERNIST-1 aimed to represent expert knowledge about diseases to help with challenging cases.² Today, many electronically implemented clinical pathways encode expert knowledge in decision trees, a type of symbolic AI.

Symbolic AI also had key limitations, notably a constant risk of human logic errors in its construction and bias encoded in its rules, because its knowledge base depended solely on those creating it. But perhaps the most important issue was that, empirically, symbolic AI had fundamental capability limitations and appeared brittle when confronted with real-world situations. In response, research began focusing more on probabilistic modeling, such as traditional regression and then Bayesian networks, which allowed both expert knowledge and empirical data to contribute to reasoning systems.³ These models handled real-world situations more elegantly and found some use in health care,⁴ but in practice were difficult to scale and had limited ability to manage images, free text, and other complex clinical data.

AI 2.0: The Era of Deep Learning

Work on even more data-driven methods, broadly called machine learning, was rooted in the idea that key to intelligence was learning from errors. Discoveries such as backpropagation of errors in the

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A horizontal timeline at the top of the table shows the progression of AI from the 1950s (light blue arrow) to 2011 (dark blue arrow) to 2018-2022 (pink arrow).

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Training method	Rules based on expert knowledge are hand-encoded in traditional programming	Learning patterns based on examples labeled as ground truth	Self-supervised learning from large datasets to predict the next word or sentence in a sequence
Performance capabilities	Follows decision path encoded in its rules. <i>Eg, ask a series of questions to determine whether a picture is a cat or a dog.</i>	Classifies information based on training: <i>"Is this a cat or a dog?"</i> <i>"How many dogs will be in the park at noon?"</i>	Interprets and responds to complex questions: <i>"Explain the difference between a cat and a dog."</i>
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Examples of challenges and risks	Human logic errors and bias in encoded rules lead to limited capability with real-world situations	Out-of-distribution problems (real-time data differs from training data) Catastrophic forgetting (not remembering early parts of a long sequence of text) Bias related to underlying training data	Hallucinations (plausible but incorrect responses based solely on predictions) Grounding and attribution Bias related to underlying training data and semantics of language in datasets

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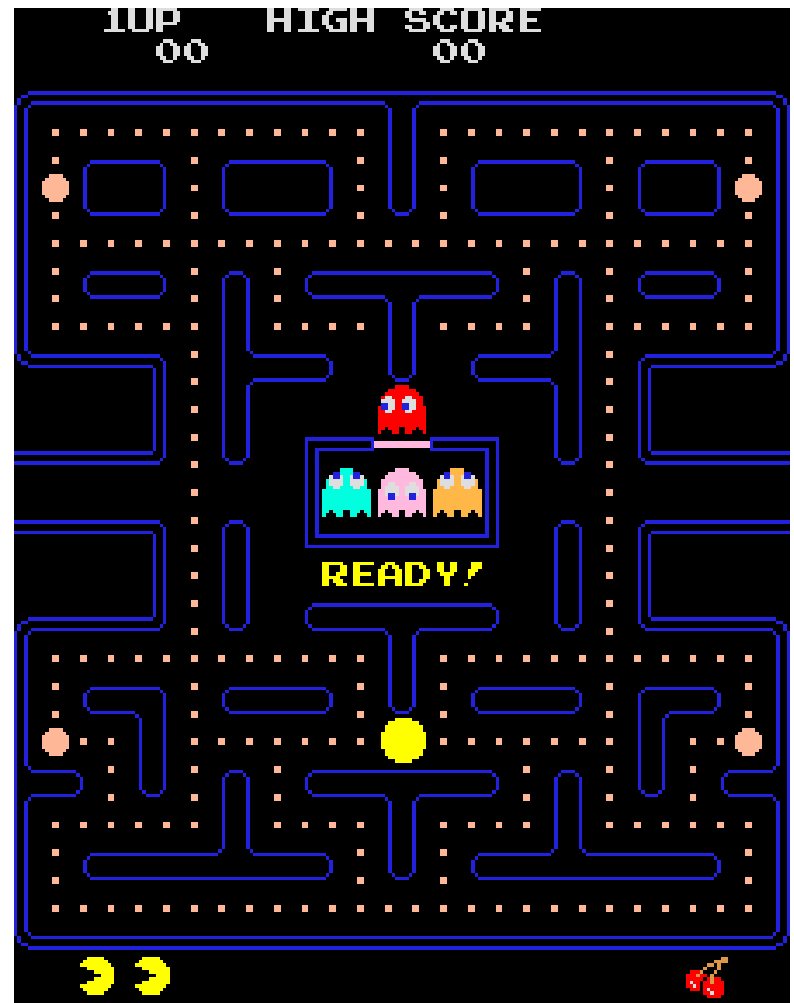
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Performance capabilities	Limited to specific tasks, often requiring human intervention	Can perform complex tasks, often matching or exceeding human performance	Can generate human-like content, often indistinguishable from human output
Examples of performance	Health care: Rule-based clinical decision support tools Business: IBM Watson (Jeopardy! champion)	Photo search, voice recognition, health care: breast cancer screening, skin condition diagnosis on electronic devices	Text generation (e.g., ChatGPT), image generation (e.g., DALL-E), video generation (e.g., Sora), music generation (e.g., Suno), medical research (e.g., BioGPT)
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1.0: Encoded human knowledge + statistical methods

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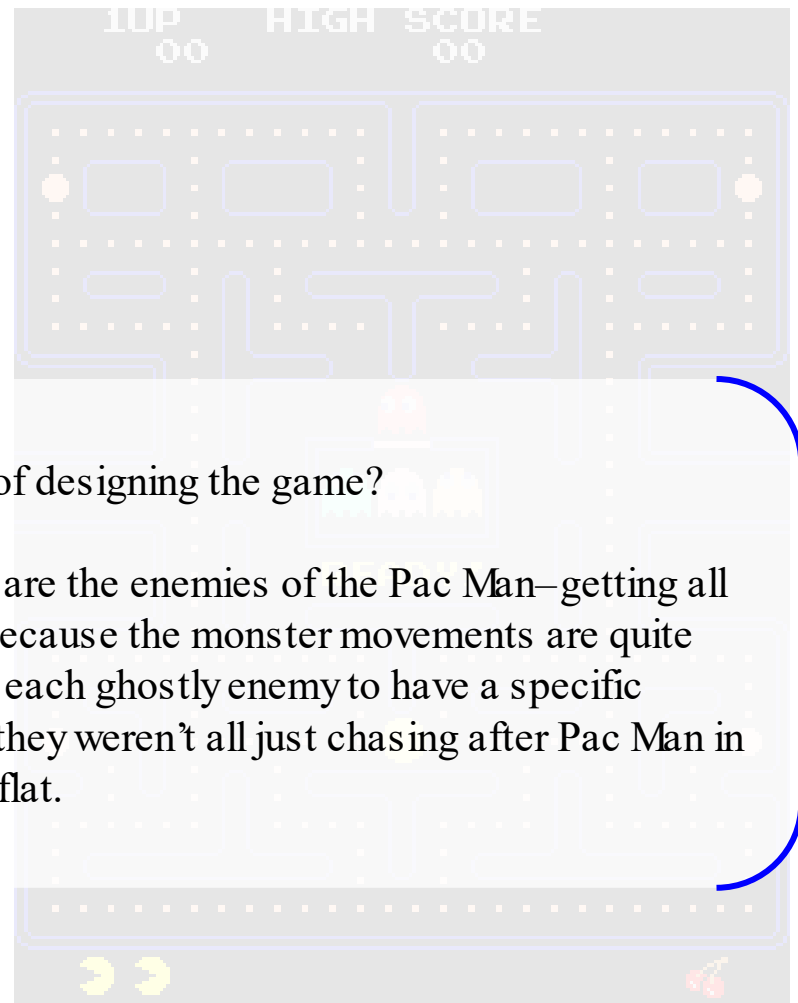
Anybody ever played this?



The game's designer, Toru Iwatani, was interviewed in 1986.

INTERVIEWER: What was the most difficult part of designing the game?

IWATANI: The algorithm for the four ghosts who are the enemies of the Pac Man—getting all the movements lined up correctly. It was tricky because the monster movements are quite complex. This is the heart of the game. I wanted each ghostly enemy to have a specific character and its own particular movements, so they weren't all just chasing after Pac Man in single file, which would have been tiresome and flat.



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A rule-based expert system is described which uses artificial intelligence techniques, and a model of the interaction between physicians and human consultants, to attempt to satisfy the demands of a user community that is often reluctant to experiment with computer technology. Experience to date has demonstrated that the program is efficient, relatively easy to use, and reliable in the domain of bacteremia therapy selection. Future work will involve broadening and evaluating the program's expertise in other areas of infectious disease therapy. To that end rules regarding diagnosis and treatment of meningitis have been written and are currently under evaluation.

Introduction

Few potential user populations are as demanding of computer technology as are practicing physicians. This is due to a variety of factors which include the physician's independence as a lone decision maker, the seriousness with which he views actions that may often have life-and-death significance, and the overwhelming time demands which tend to make him impatient with any innovation that breaks up the finely-tuned flow of his daily routine. Yet as medical science has expanded, the individual practitioner has become increasingly less able to manage all the expertise he needs if he is to provide modern medical care. Consultation from subspecialists has therefore become a common and accepted part of practice for these physicians.

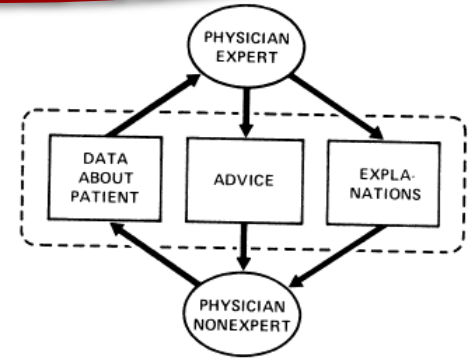


Figure 1 - Diagram summarizing the flow of information between physician and expert in the human consultation process. (Figure reproduced from reference 10).

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Internist-I, an Experimental Computer-Based Diagnostic Consultant for General Internal Medicine

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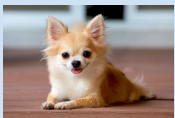
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Training method	Rules based on expert knowledge, hand-coded	Large datasets, self-supervised learning	Large datasets, self-supervised learning
Performance capabilities	Limited to specific tasks, often requiring human intervention	Can perform tasks previously requiring human expertise (e.g., image recognition, natural language processing)	Can generate human-like content, often indistinguishable from human output
Examples of performance	Health care: Rule-based clinical decision support tools Business: Chess world champion (IBM Deep Blue)	Photo search, voice recognition, health care: breast cancer screening, skin condition diagnosis on electronic devices	Text generation (e.g., ChatGPT), image generation (e.g., DALL-E), video generation (e.g., Sora), medical diagnosis (e.g., MedGPT)
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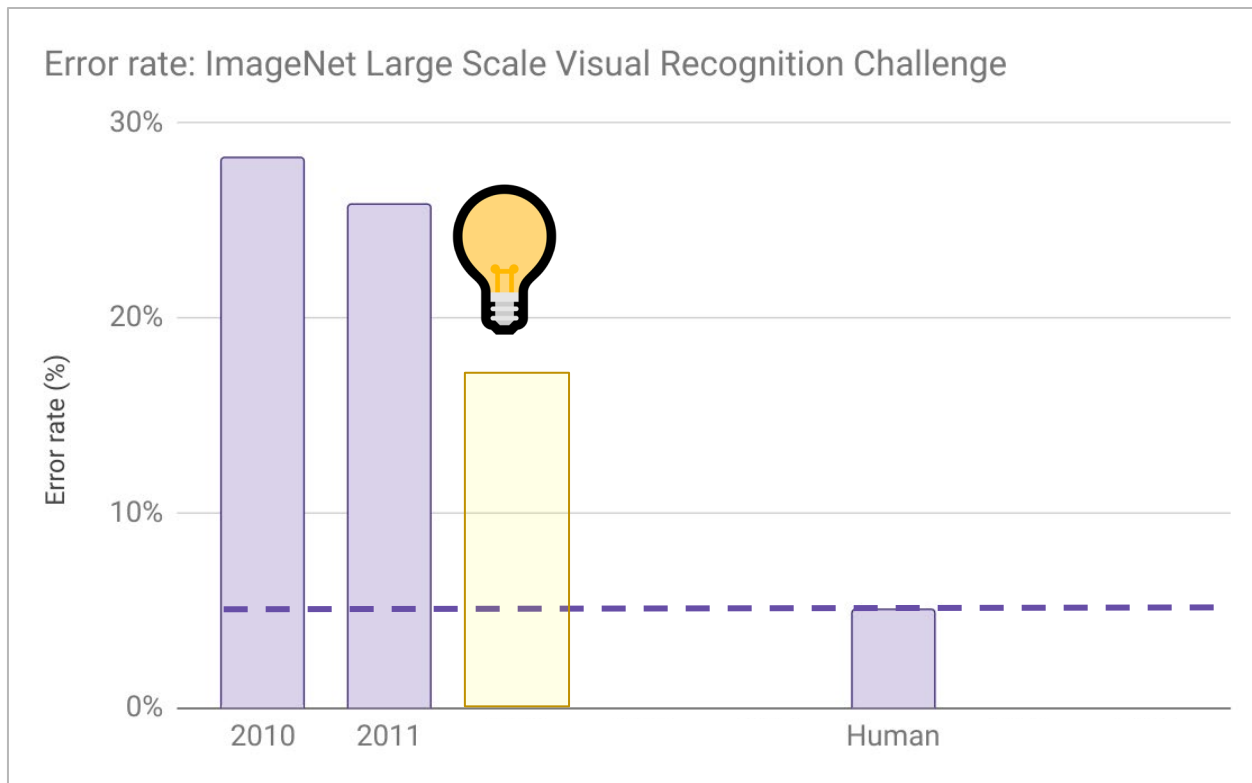
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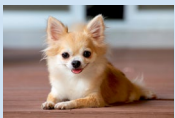
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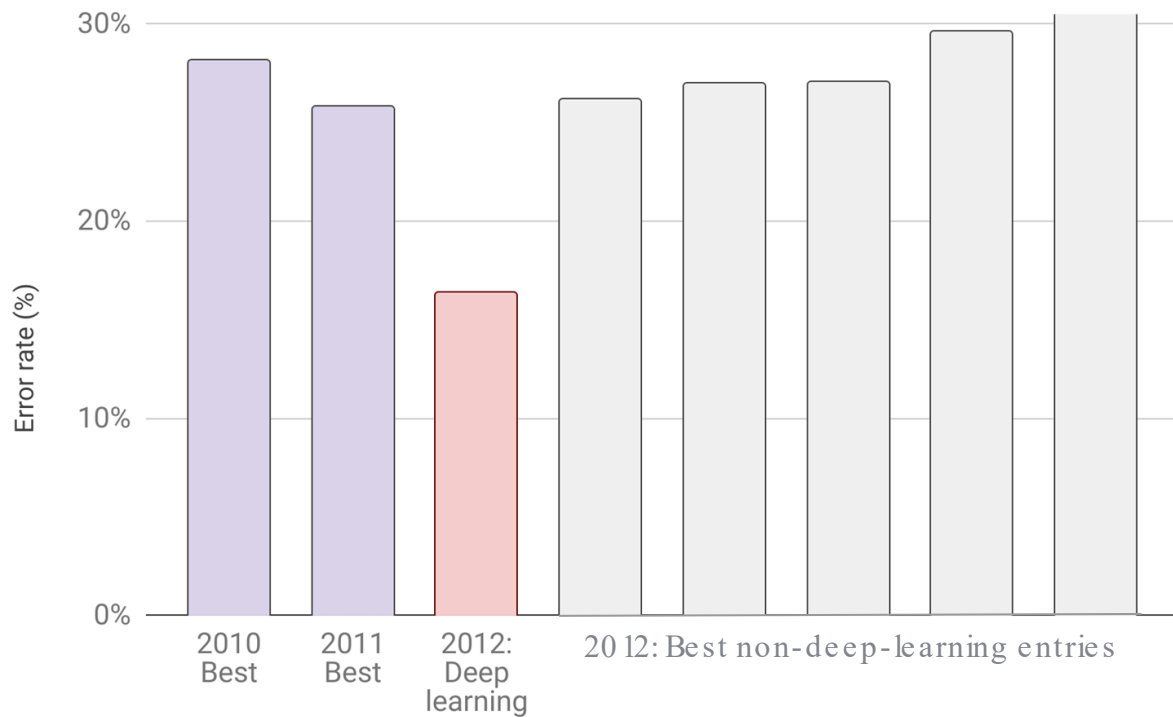


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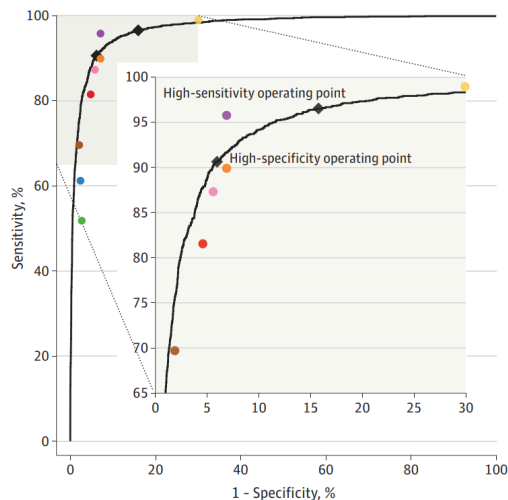
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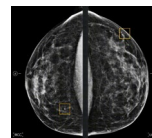
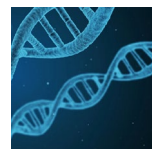
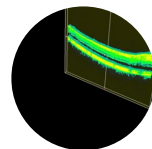
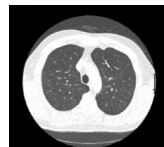
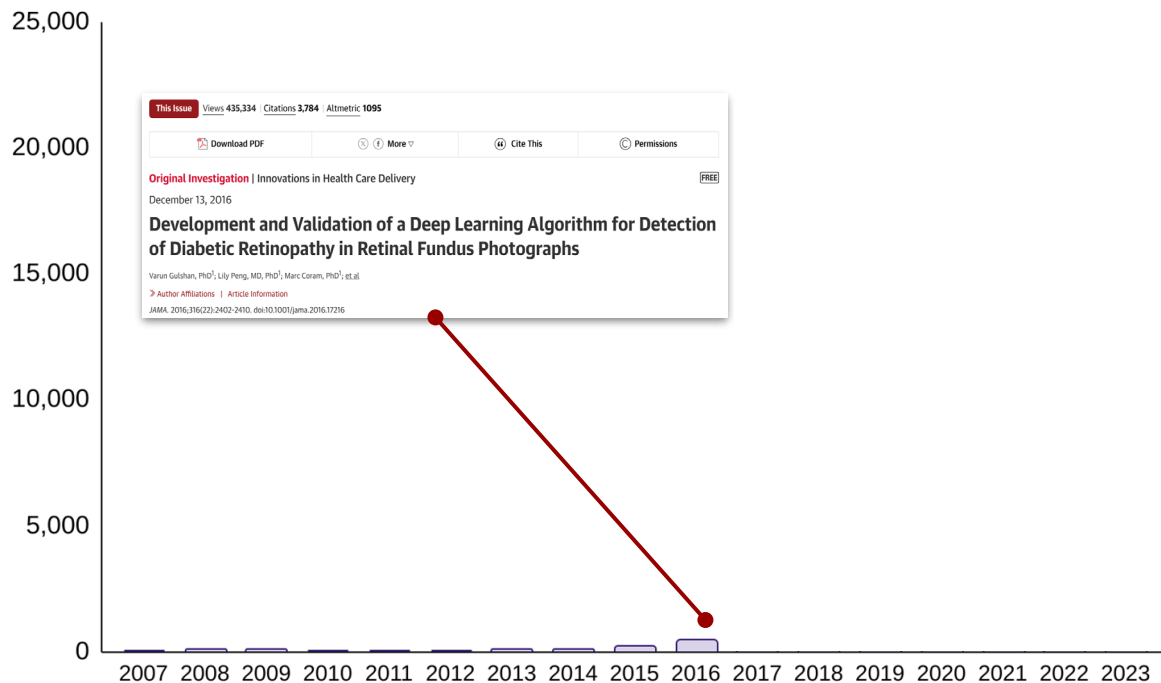
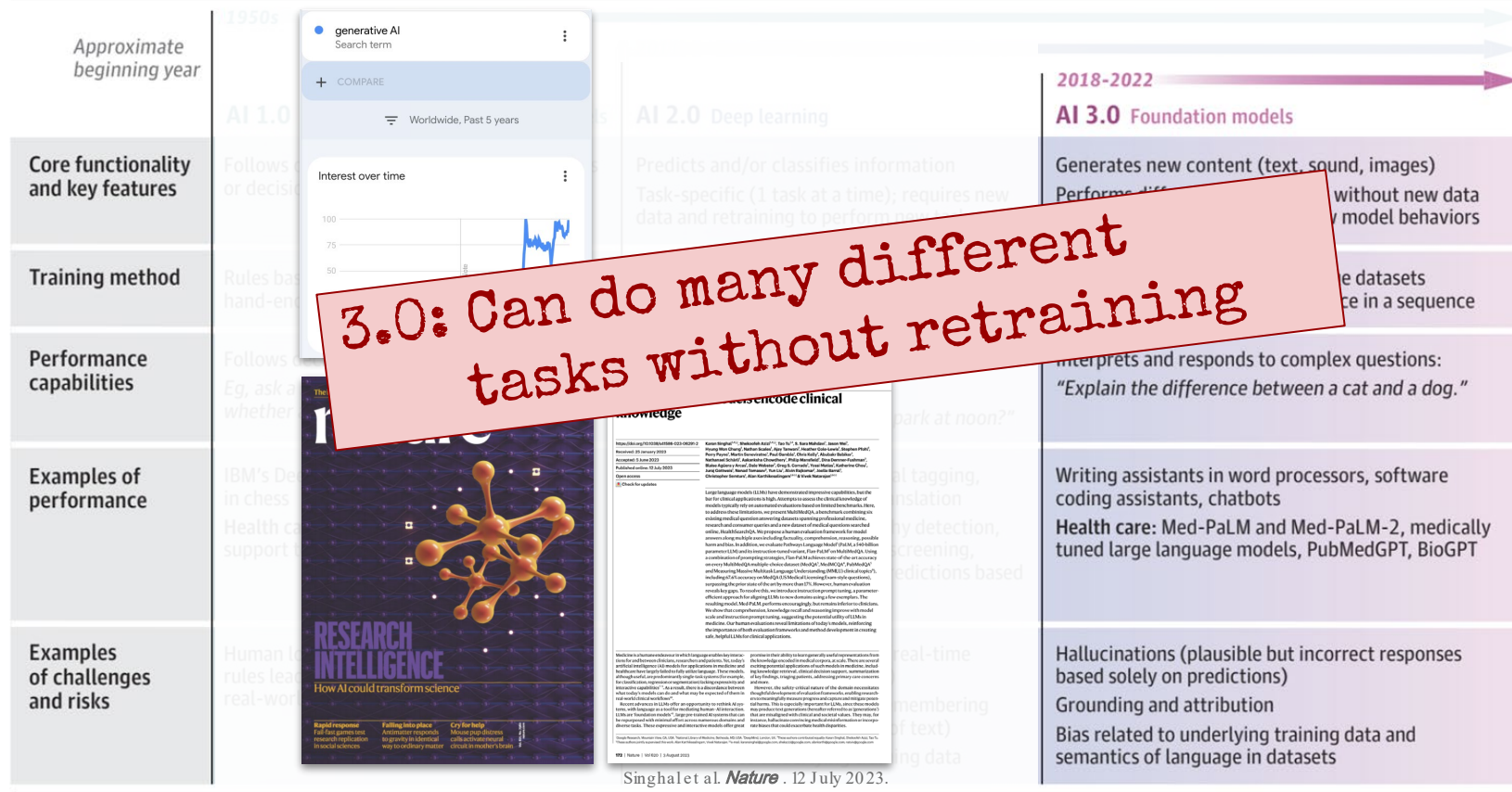


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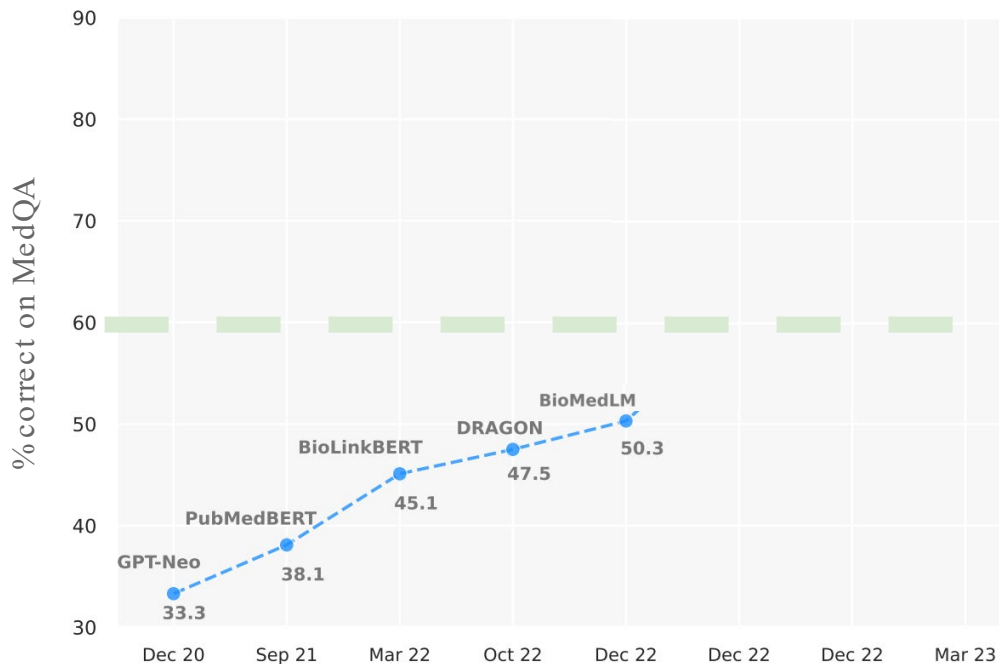
Medical question answering has long been held as a **grand challenge** for AI in health.

Medical licensing-exam style questions are a good example of this challenge.

A 32-year-old woman comes to the physician because of fatigue, breast tenderness, increased urinary frequency, and intermittent nausea for 2 weeks. Her last menstrual period was 7 weeks ago. She has a history of a seizure disorder treated with carbamazepine. Physical examination shows no abnormalities. A urine pregnancy test is positive. The child is at greatest risk of developing which of the following complications?

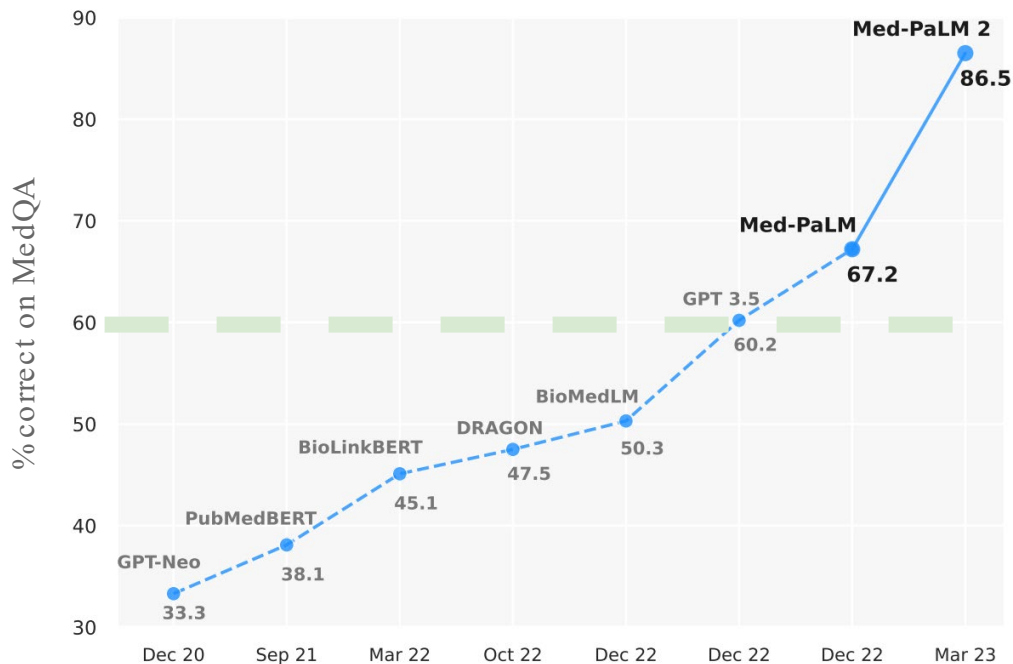
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Answering medical-licensing-exam-style questions



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Answering long-form questions from people

Google Research Med-PaLM

Can incontinence be cured?

Clinician answer

Urinary incontinence can be cured in some cases, but this depends on its cause. If it's due to an underlying urinary tract infection or constipation, treating these issues will immediately stop the incontinence. If it's due to muscle weakness, such as that caused by childbirth, strengthening exercises to build muscle tone will help and can even cure it completely, over time. If it's due to an underlying nerve problem, damage to the spinal cord, or a structural abnormality, this is usually much harder to treat and will need to be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Med-PaLM 2 answer

Incontinence means the accidental loss of urine or stool. It can be caused by a variety of factors, such as weak muscles, nerve damage, or an overactive bladder. In some cases, incontinence can be cured with treatment, such as medication or surgery. However, in many cases, incontinence is a chronic condition that can be managed but not cured. Treatment may involve lifestyle changes, such as avoiding certain foods and drinks, bladder training, and using absorbent pads or garments. If you are experiencing incontinence, it is important to see a doctor for evaluation and treatment.

Clinician review of Med-PaLM answer

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✓ Complete answer ⚠ Incomplete answer

What foods to avoid if you have rosacea?

Clinician answer

Some foods and drinks that dermatologists recommend avoiding for people with rosacea are spicy foods, hot drinks and foods with chocolate) or cinnamon in them.

Med-PaLM 2 answer

Rosacea is a chronic skin condition that can also cause small, pus-filled bumps. The cause of rosacea is unknown, but certain factors can trigger it. The foods that can trigger rosacea are those that contain histamines (such as spicy foods). If you have rosacea, it is important that you know trigger your symptoms. You should track the foods that you eat and how they affect your skin to identify the specific foods that are triggering your symptoms and avoid them.

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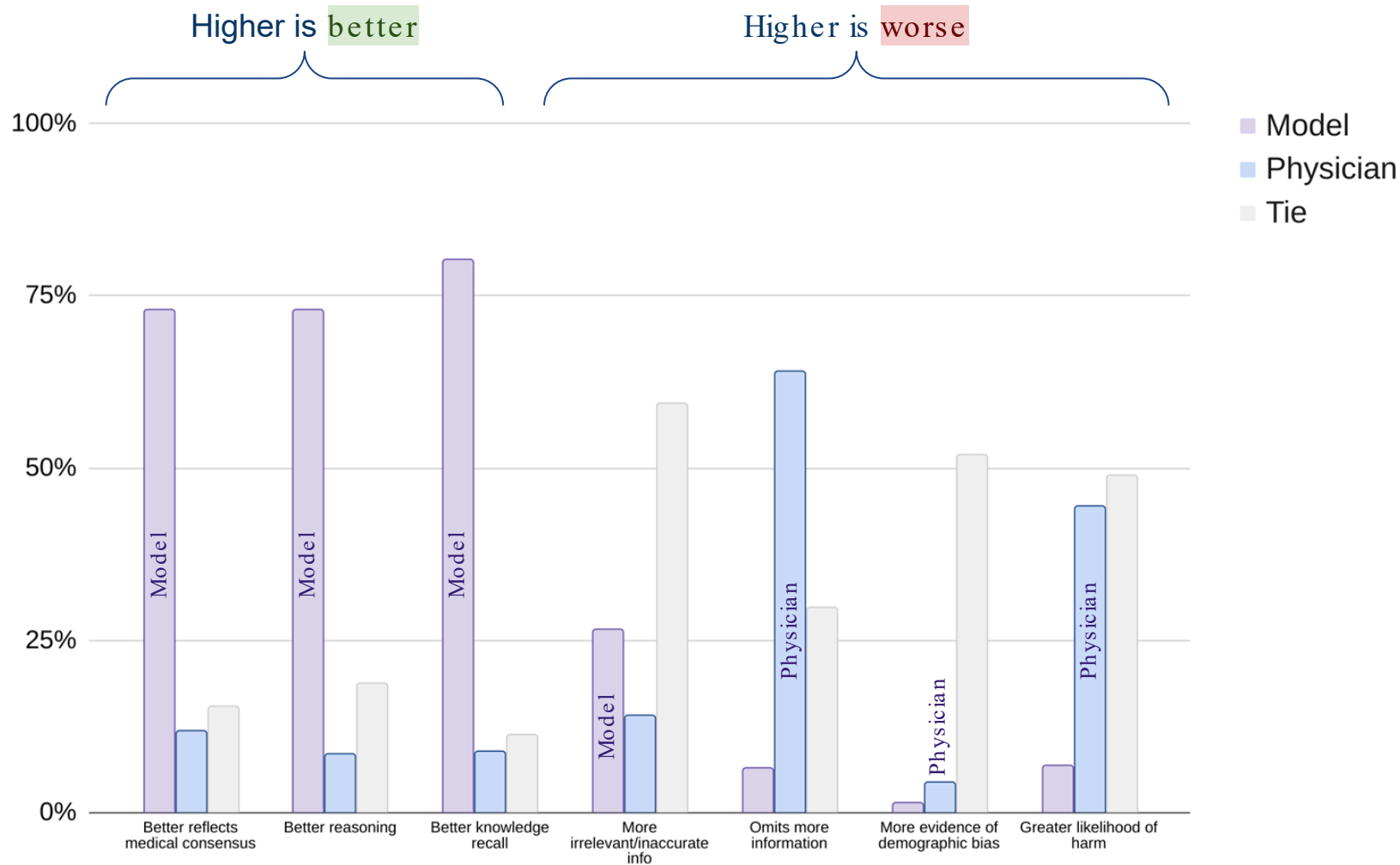
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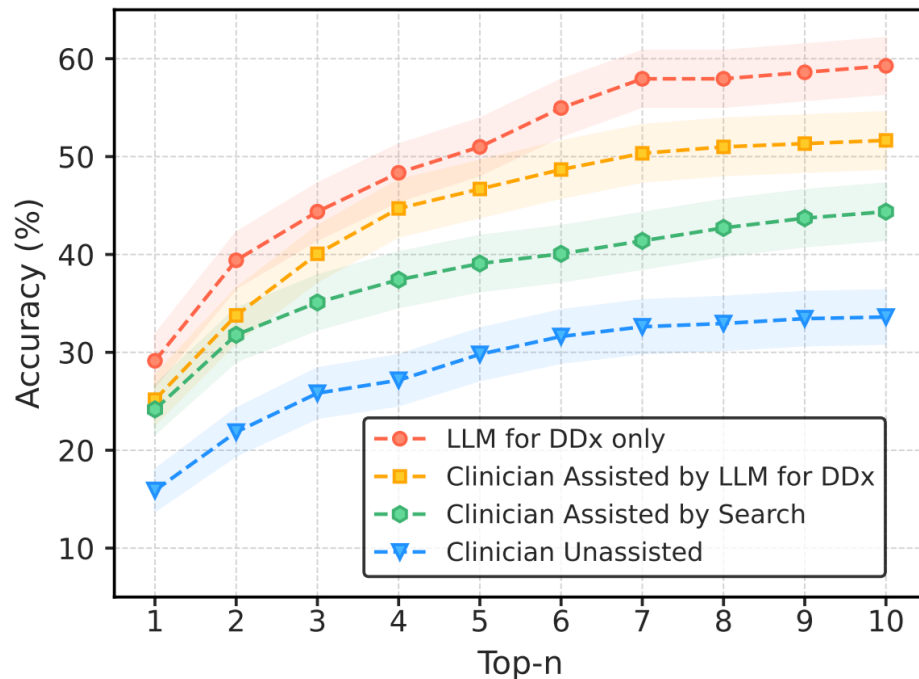
How to evaluate if an answer is good? Ask other physicians.

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- **Reasoning:** “Which answer demonstrates better reasoning step(s)? (correct rationale or manipulation of knowledge for answering the question)”
- **Inclusion of irrelevant content:** “Which answer contains more content than it should? (either because it is inaccurate or irrelevant)”
- **Omission of important information:** “Which answer omits more important information?”
- **Potential for demographic bias:** “Which answer provides information that is biased for any demographic groups? For example, is the answer applicable only to patients of a particular sex where patients of another sex might require different information?”
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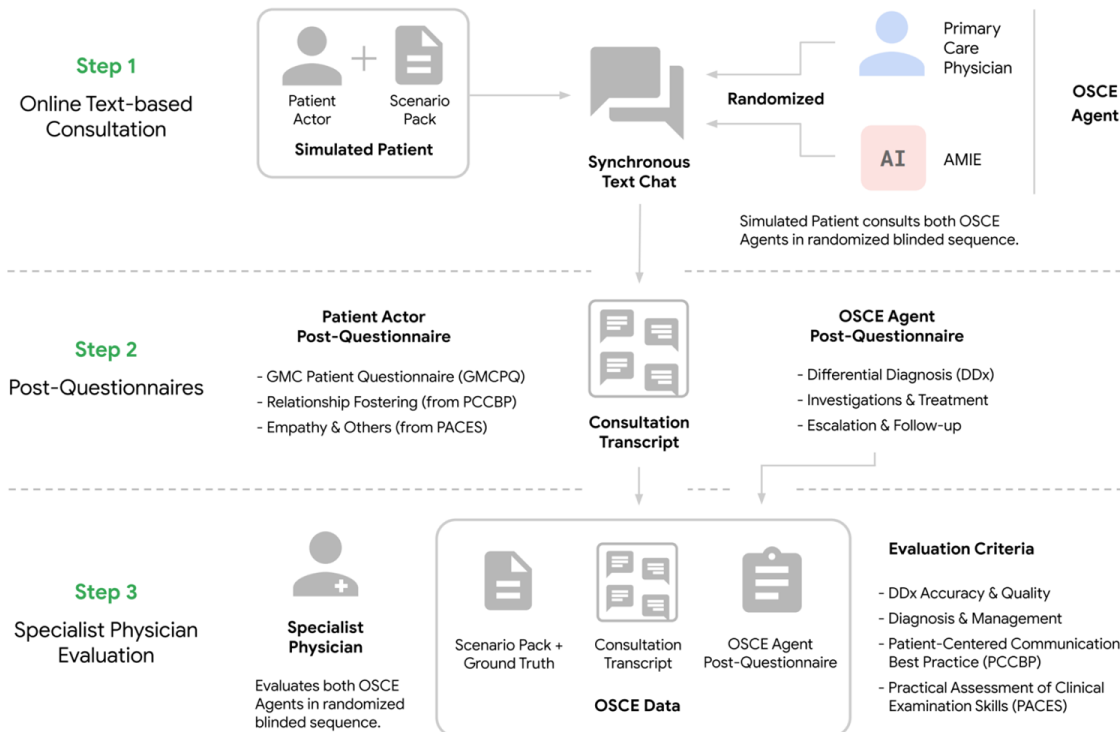
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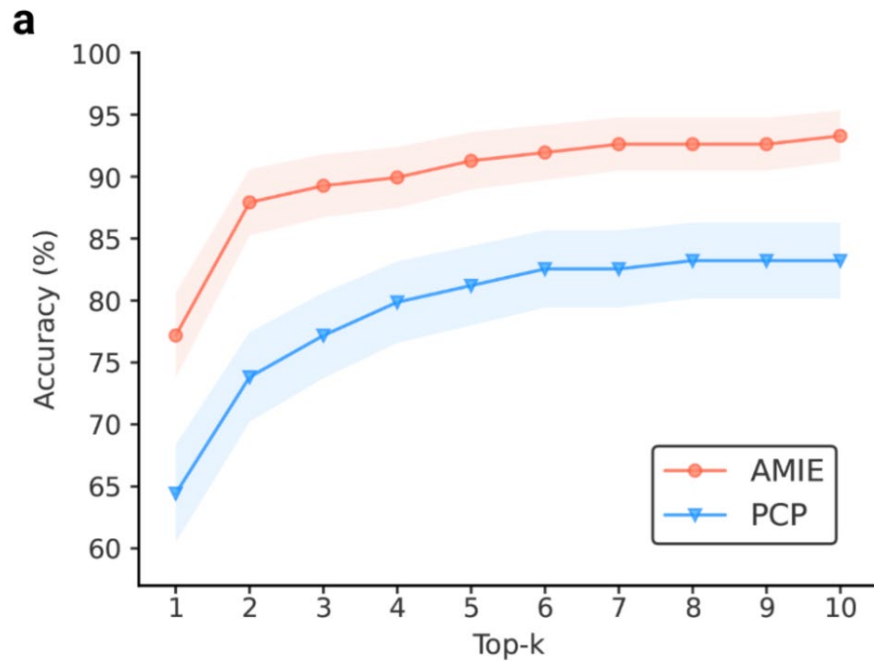
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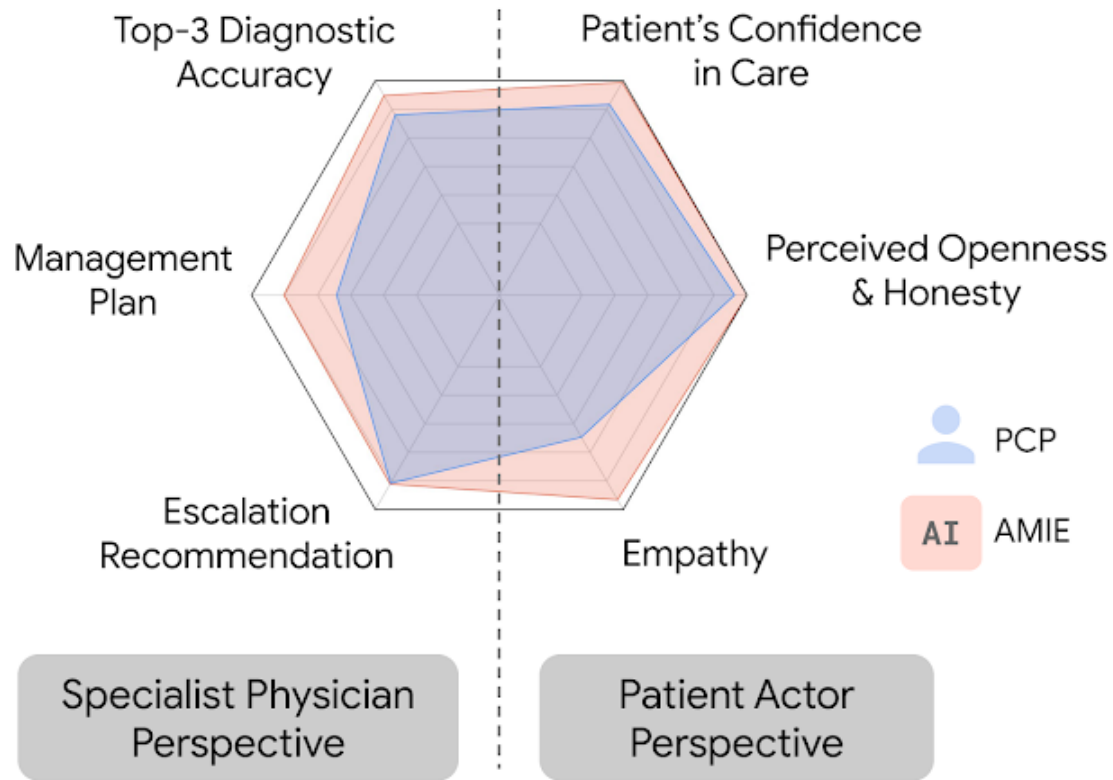
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A horizontal timeline at the top of the table shows the progression of AI from the 1950s (light blue arrow) to 2011 (dark blue arrow) to 2018-2022 (pink arrow).

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What does the future look like?

Three Epochs of Artificial Intelligence in Health Care

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IMPORTANCE Interest in artificial intelligence (AI) has reached an all-time high, and health care leaders across the ecosystem are faced with questions about where, when, and how to deploy AI and how to understand its risks, problems, and possibilities.

OBSERVATIONS While AI as a concept has existed since the 1950s, all AI is not the same. Capabilities and risks of various kinds of AI differ markedly, and on examination 3 epochs of AI emerge. AI 1.0 includes symbolic AI, which attempts to encode human knowledge into computational rules, as well as probabilistic models. The era of AI 2.0 began with deep learning, in which models learn from examples labeled with ground truth. This era brought about many advances both in people's daily lives and in health care. Deep learning models are task-specific, meaning they do one thing at a time, and they primarily focus on classification and prediction. AI 3.0 is the era of foundation models and generative AI. Models in AI 3.0 have fundamentally new (and potentially transformative) capabilities, as well as new kinds of risks, such as hallucinations. These models can do many different kinds of tasks without being retrained on a new dataset. For example, a simple text instruction will change the model's behavior. Prompts such as "Write this note for a specialist consultant" and "Write this note for the patient's mother" will produce markedly different content.

CONCLUSIONS AND RELEVANCE Foundation models and generative AI represent a major revolution in AI's capabilities, offering tremendous potential to improve care. Health care leaders are making decisions about AI today. While any heuristic omits details and loses nuance, the framework of AI 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 may be helpful to decision-makers because each epoch has fundamentally different capabilities and risks.

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AI 1.0: Symbolic AI and Probabilistic Models

Over its first 50-plus years, most AI focused on encoding human knowledge into rules in machines. One can think of this as many, many if-then rules, or decision trees. This symbolic AI had some remarkable achievements, such as IBM's Deep Blue, which defeated

the chess world champion in 1997.¹ In health care, tools such as INTERNIST-I aimed to represent expert knowledge about diseases to help with challenging cases.² Today, many electronically implemented clinical pathways encode expert knowledge in decision trees, a type of symbolic AI.

Symbolic AI also had key limitations, notably a constant risk of human logic errors in its construction and bias encoded in its rules, because its knowledge base depended solely on those creating it. But perhaps the most important issue was that, empirically, symbolic AI had fundamental capability limitations and appeared brittle when confronted with real-world situations. In response, research began focusing more on probabilistic modeling, such as traditional regression and then Bayesian networks, which allowed both expert knowledge and empirical data to contribute to reasoning systems.³ These models handled real-world situations more elegantly and found some use in health care,⁴ but in practice were difficult to scale and had limited ability to manage images, free text, and other complex clinical data.

AI 2.0: The Era of Deep Learning

Work on even more data-driven methods, broadly called machine learning, was rooted in the idea that key to intelligence was learning from errors. Discoveries such as backpropagation of errors in the

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