

## Mini Course From Data Science to interpretable AI



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## Introduction to AI/Machine Learning

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printing and reading.  
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didactically different.

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Andreas Holzinger: Background

- Austrian Representative in IFIP TC 12 "Artificial Intelligence"
- Ordinary Member of Academia Europea:  
[https://www.ae-info.org/ae/Member/Holzinger\\_Andreas](https://www.ae-info.org/ae/Member/Holzinger_Andreas)
- PhD in Cognitive Science 1998
- Habilitation Computer Science 2003
- Lead Human-Centered AI (Holzinger Group)
- Personal Homepage: <https://www.aholzinger.at>
- Currently: Visiting Professor for explainable AI,  
Alberta Machine Intelligence Institute, Edmonton, CA
- Visiting Professor for Machine Learning  
in Health Informatics: TU Vienna, Univ. Verona,  
UCL London, RWTH Aachen
- Andreas Holzinger, Chris Biemann, Constantinos S. Pattichis & Douglas B. Kell,  
2017. What do we need to build explainable AI systems for the medical domain?  
[arXiv:1712.09923](https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.09923)
- Andreas Holzinger, 2018. Explainable AI (ex-AI). Informatik-Spektrum,  
[doi:10.1007/s00287-018-1102-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00287-018-1102-5)
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## Mini-Course Syllabus

- At the end of this mini course you will ...
- ... be fascinated to see our world in **data sets**;
- ... understand the differences between **data, information and knowledge**
- ... be aware of some problems and challenges in **biomedical informatics**
- ... understand the importance of the concept of **probabilistic information  $p(x)$**
- ... know what **AI/Machine Learning** can (not) do
- ... have some fundamental insight into medical information science for **decision making**

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## Background Reading



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## Agenda

- 01 What is HCAI ?
- 02 Application Area: Health Informatics
- 03 Probabilistic Information
- 04 Automatic Machine Learning
- 05 Interactive Machine Learning
- 06 Causality, Explainability, Interpretability

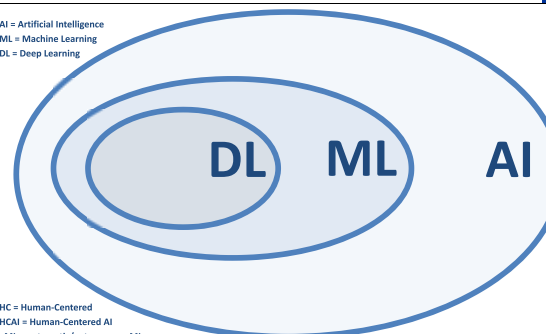
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## Abbreviations

AI = Artificial Intelligence  
ML = Machine Learning  
DL = Deep Learning



HC = Human-Centered  
HCAI = Human-Centered AI  
aML = automatic/autonomous ML  
IML = Interactive ML, Interpretable ML  
KDD = Knowledge Discovery from Data  
ExAI = explainable AI

Andreas Holzinger, Peter Kieseberg, Edgar Weippl & A Min Tjoa 2018. Current Advances, Trends and Challenges of Machine Learning and Knowledge Extraction: From Machine Learning to Explainable AI. Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science LNCS 11015. Cham: Springer, pp. 3-8. doi:10.1007/978-3-319-89760-2\_3

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## 01 What is



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- ML is a very practical field – algorithm development is at the core – however, successful ML needs a concerted effort of various topics ...



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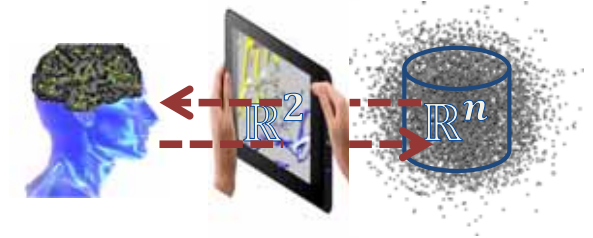


Andreas Holzinger 2013: Human-Computer Interaction and Knowledge Discovery (HCI-KDD): What is the benefit of bringing those two fields to work together? In: Multidisciplinary Research and Practice for Information Systems, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science LNCS 8127. Heidelberg, Berlin, New York: Springer, pp. 319-328, doi:[10.1007/978-3-642-40511-2\\_22](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-642-40511-2_22)

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Our goal is that human values are aligned to ensure responsible machine learning

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Not our Goal: Humanoid AI



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To reach a level of usable intelligence we need to ...

- 1) learn from prior data
- 2) extract knowledge
- 3) generalize, i.e. guessing where a probability mass function concentrates
- 4) fight the curse of dimensionality
- 5) disentangle **underlying explanatory factors of data**, i.e.
- 6) **understand** the data in the **context** of an application domain

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## 02 Application Area Health Informatics



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Health is a complex area

Why is this application area complex ?

In medicine we have two different worlds ...



Our central hypothesis:  
Information may bridge this gap

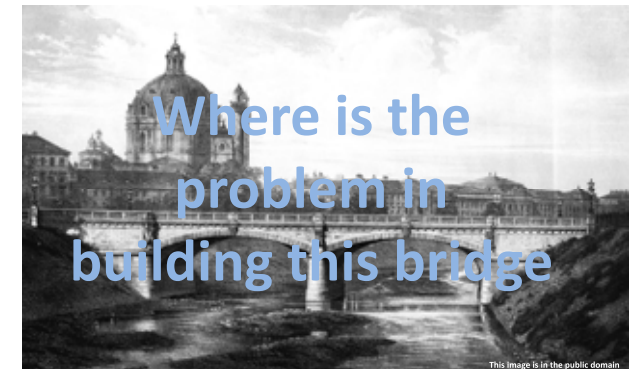
Holzinger, A. & Simon, K.-M. (eds.) 2011. *Information Quality in e-Health. Lecture Notes in Computer Science LNCS 7058, Heidelberg, Berlin, New York: Springer.*

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Where is the problem in building this bridge



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Main problems ...

**Heterogeneity**

**Dimensionality**

**Complexity**

**Uncertainty**

Holzinger, A., Dehmer, M. & Jurisica, I. 2014. Knowledge Discovery and Interactive Data Mining in Bioinformatics - State-of-the-Art, future challenges and research directions. BMC Bioinformatics, 15, (S6), 11. Introduction to AI and Machine Learning 20 Health Informatics, Andreas Holzinger

Repetition of Bayes - on the work of Laplace

What is the simplest mathematical operation for us?

$$p(x) = \sum_y (p(x, y)) \quad (1)$$

How do we call repeated adding?

$$p(x, y) = p(y|x) * p(x) \quad (2)$$

Laplace (1773) showed that we can write:

$$p(x, y) + p(y) = p(y|x) + p(x) \quad (3)$$

Now we introduce a third, more complicated operation:

$$\frac{p(x, y) + p(y)}{p(y)} = \frac{p(y|x) + p(x)}{p(y)} \quad (4)$$

We can reduce this fraction by  $p(y)$  and we receive what is called Bayes rule:

$$p(x, y) = \frac{p(y|x) * p(x)}{p(y)} \quad p(h|d) = \frac{p(d|h)p(h)}{p(d)} \quad (5)$$

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**Why is this relevant for medicine?**

# 03 Probabilistic Learning

The true logic of this world is in the calculus of probabilities.  
James Clerk Maxwell

Maxwell, J. C. (1850). Letter to Lewis Campbell; reproduced in L. Campbell and W. Garrett, The Life of James Clerk Maxwell, Macmillan, 1881.

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Learning representations  $(\theta, h)$  from observed data

Observed data:

Training data:  $\mathcal{D} = x_{1:n} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$

Feature Parameter:  $\theta$  or hypothesis  $h$   $h \in \mathcal{H}$

Prior belief  $\approx$  prior probability of hypothesis  $h$ :  $p(\theta)$   $p(h)$

Likelihood  $\approx p(x)$  of the data that  $h$  is true  $p(\mathcal{D}|\theta)$   $p(\mathcal{D}|h)$

Data evidence  $\approx$  marginal  $p(x)$  that  $h$  = true  $p(\mathcal{D})$   $\sum_{h \in \mathcal{H}} p(d|h) * p(h)$

Posterior  $\approx p(x)$  of  $h$  after seen ("learn") data  $d$   $p(\theta|\mathcal{D})$   $p(h|\mathcal{D})$

posterior =  $\frac{\text{likelihood} * \text{prior}}{\text{evidence}}$   $p(\theta|\mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D}|\theta) * p(\theta)}{p(\mathcal{D})}$

$$p(h|d) = \frac{p(d|h) * p(h)}{\sum_{h \in \mathcal{H}} p(d|h) p(h)}$$

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## Reasoning under uncertainty: Decision Making

- Take patient information, e.g., observations, symptoms, test results, -omics data, etc. etc.
- Reach conclusions, and **predict** into the future, e.g. how likely will the patient be ...
- Prior = belief before making a particular observation
- Posterior = belief after making the observation and is the prior for the next observation – intrinsically incremental

$$p(x_i|y_j) = \frac{p(y_j|x_i)p(x_i)}{\sum p(x_i, y_j)p(x_i)}$$

The foundation for modern machine learning ...

- 1763: Richard Price publishes post hum the work of Thomas Bayes (see next slide)
- 1781: Pierre-Simon Laplace: Probability theory is nothing, but common sense reduced to calculation ...
- 1812: Théorie Analytique des Probabilités, now known as Bayes' Theorem
- Hypothesis  $h \in \mathcal{H}$  (uncertain quantities (Annahmen))
- Data  $d \in \mathcal{D}$  ... measured quantities (Entitäten)
- Prior probability  $p(h)$  ... probability that  $h$  is true Likelihood  $p(d|h)$  ... "how probable is the prior"
- Posterior Probability  $p(h|d)$  ... probability of  $h$  given  $d$

Pierre Simon de Laplace (1749-1827)

$$p(h|d) \propto p(d|h) * p(h) \quad p(h|d) = \frac{p(d|h)p(h)}{p(d)}$$

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Learning and Probabilistic Inference (Prediction)

$d$  ... data  $\mathcal{H}$  ...  $\{H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n\}$   $\forall h, d$  ...

$h$  ... hypotheses

Likelihood Prior Probability

$$p(h|d) = \frac{p(d|h) * p(h)}{\sum_{h \in \mathcal{H}} p(d|h) p(h)}$$

Posterior Probability

Problem in  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow$  complex

Feature parameter  $\theta$

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GP = distribution, observations occur in a cont. domain, e.g. t or space

GP posterior  $\overbrace{p(f(x)|\mathcal{D})} \propto \underbrace{p(\mathcal{D}|f(x))}_{\text{Likelihood}} \underbrace{p(f(x))}_{\text{GP prior}}$

Brochu, E., Cora, V. M. & De Freitas, N. 2010. A tutorial on Bayesian optimization of expensive cost functions, with application to active user modeling and hierarchical reinforcement learning. arXiv:1012.2599.





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- Sometimes we **do not have “big data”**, where aML-algorithms benefit.
- Sometimes we have
  - **Small amount of data sets**
  - **Rare Events – no training samples**
  - **NP-hard problems, e.g.**
    - Subspace Clustering,
    - k-Anonymization,
    - Protein-Folding, ...

Holzinger, A. 2016. Interactive Machine Learning for Health Informatics: When do we need the human-in-the-loop? Springer Brain Informatics (BRIN), 3, (2), 119-131, doi:10.1007/s40708-016-0042-6.

## Sometimes we (still) need a human-in-the-loop

## 05 iML

### Definition of iML (Holzinger – 2016)

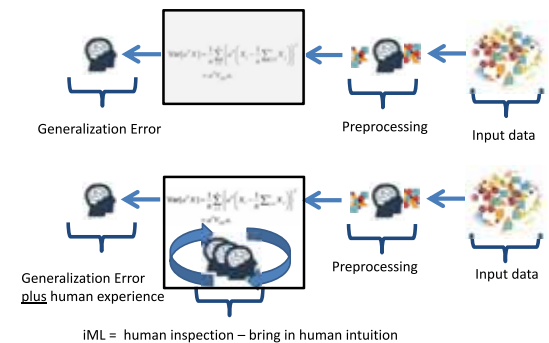
- iML := algorithms which interact with agents\*) and can optimize their learning behaviour through this interaction
- **\*) where the agents can be human**

Holzinger, A. 2016. Interactive Machine Learning (iML). Informatik Spektrum, 39, (1), 64-68, doi:10.1007/s00287-015-0941-6.

### A crowd of people-in-the-loop



### iML: bringing in human intuition

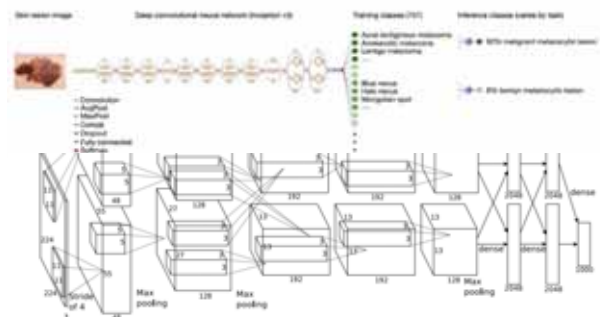


Andreas Holzinger et al. (2017) A glass-box interactive machine learning approach for solving NP-hard problems with the human-in-the-loop. arXiv:1708.01104.

## 06 Why Explainability?

### Deep Convolutional Neural Network Pipeline

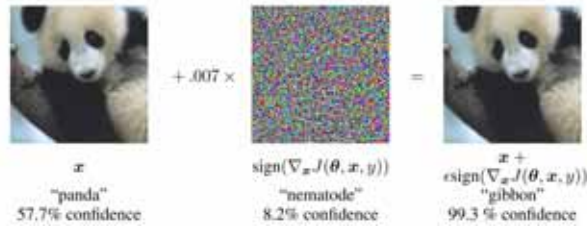
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Krizhevsky, A., Sutskever, I. & Hinton, G. E. Imagenet classification with deep convolutional neural networks. In: Pereira, F., Burges, C. J. C., Bottou, L. & Weinberger, K. Q., eds. Advances in neural information processing systems (NIPS 2012). 2012 Lake Tahoe. 1097-1105.

### Deep Learning “It’s not complicated, it’s just a lot of it”

- **Non-convex:** difficult to set up, to train, to optimize, needs a lot of expertise, error prone
- **Resource intensive** (GPU’s, cloud CPUs, federated learning, ...)
- **Data intensive**, needs often millions of training samples ...
- **Transparency lacking**, do not foster trust and acceptance among end-user, legal aspects make “black box” difficult



See also: Ian J. Goodfellow, Jonathon Shlens & Christian Szegedy 2014. Explaining and harnessing adversarial examples. arXiv:1412.6572, and see more examples: <https://imgur.com/a/K4RWn>

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## Benefits ...

## Verify that algorithms/classifiers work as expected

Wrong decisions can be costly and dangerous ...



## Understanding the weaknesses and errors

Detection of bias – bring in human intuition to know the error ...



## Scientific replicability and causality

The "why" is often more important than the prediction ...

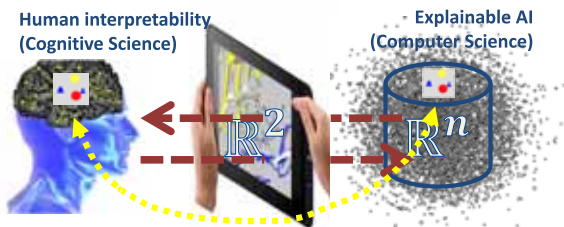


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## Explainable AI needs effective concept mapping !!!

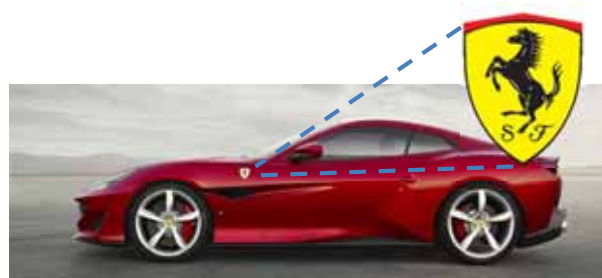
- Causability := a property of a person (Human)
- Explainability := a property of a system (Computer)



Andreas Holzinger, Georg Langs, Helmut Denk, Kurt Zatloukal & Heimo Mueller 2019. Causability and Explainability of AI in Medicine. Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery, doi:10.1002/widm.1312.

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- Result of the classifier: **This is a horse**
- **Why is this a horse?**



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## Conclusion

Image Captions by deep learning:  
State-of-the-Art of the Stanford Machine Learning Group

Andrei Karpathy, Justin Johnson & Li Fei-Fei 2015. Visualizing and understanding recurrent networks. arXiv:1506.02078.

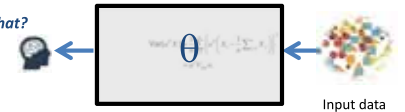
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## We need effective Human-AI mapping

Why did the algorithm do that?  
Can I trust these results?  
How can I correct an error?



## We contribute to ...



The domain expert can understand why ...  
The domain expert can learn and correct errors ...  
The domain expert can re-enact on demand ...

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## Appendix

# Thank you!



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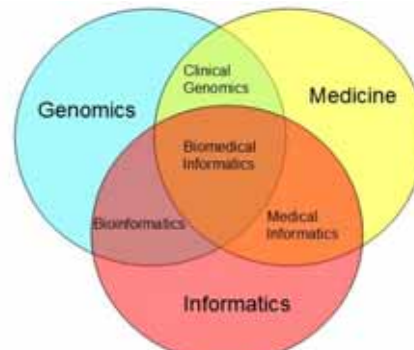
- Biomedical informatics (BMI)** is the interdisciplinary field that studies and pursues the effective use of biomedical data, information, and knowledge for scientific problem solving, and decision making, motivated by efforts to improve human health

Shortliffe, E. H. (2011). Biomedical Informatics: Defining the Science and its Role in Health Professional Education. In A. Holzinger & K.-M. Simoncic (Eds.), *Information Quality in e-Health. Lecture Notes in Computer Science LNCS 7058* (pp. 711-714). Heidelberg, New York: Springer.

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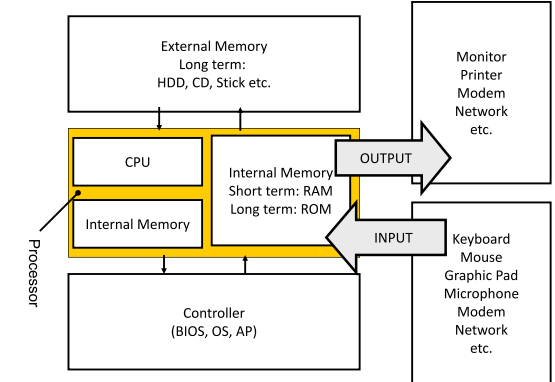


<http://www.bioinformaticslaboratory.nl/twiki/bin/view/BioLab/EducationMIK1-2>

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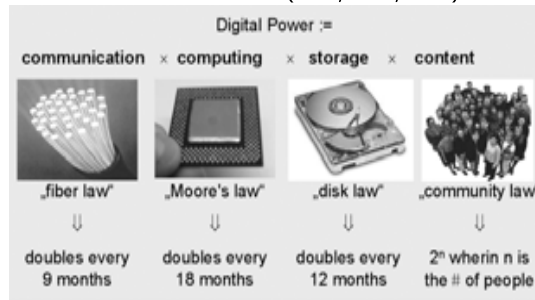
Holzinger (2002), 90-134

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Gordon E. Moore (1965, 1989, 1997)

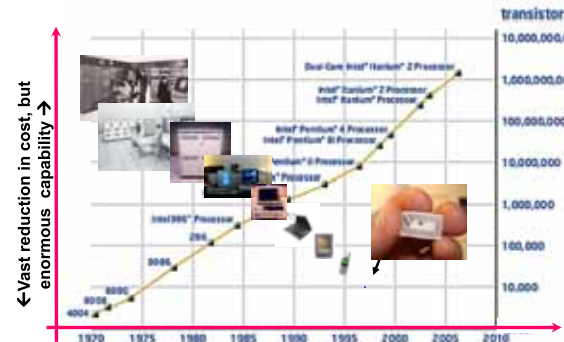


Holzinger, A. 2002. *Basiswissen IT/Informatik Band 1: Informationstechnik. Das Basiswissen für die Informationsgesellschaft des 21. Jahrhunderts*, Würzburg, Vogel Buchverlag.

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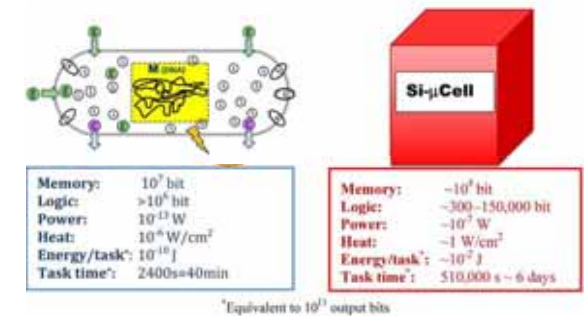


Cf. with Moore (1965), Holzinger (2002), Scholtz & Consolvo (2004), Intel (2007)

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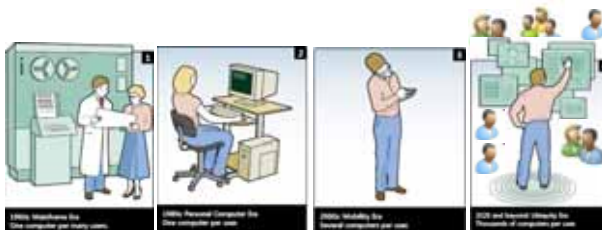
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- ... using technology to augment human capabilities for structuring, retrieving and managing information

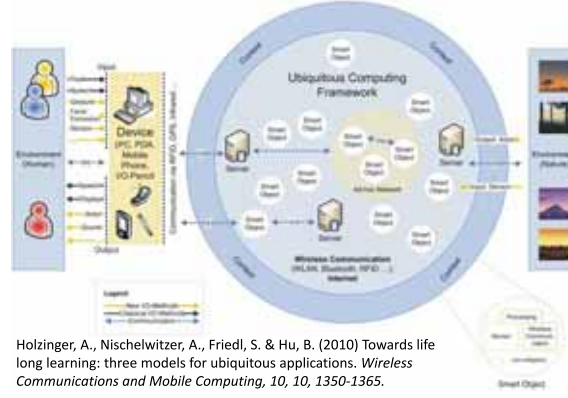


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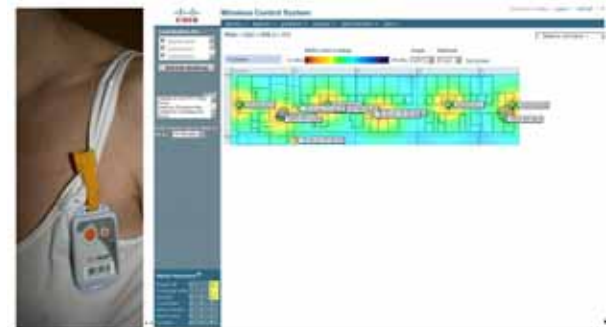


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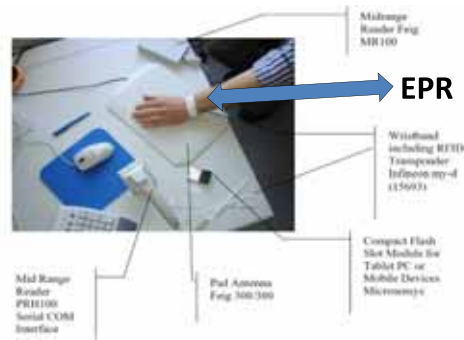
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Holzinger, A., Kosec, P., Schwantzer, G., Debevc, M., Hofmann-Wellenhof, R. & Frühauf, J. 2011. Design and Development of a Mobile Computer Application to Reengineer Workflows in the Hospital and the Methodology to evaluate its Effectiveness. *Journal of Biomedical Informatics*, 44, 968-977.

