DATA MINING 2 Ethics Principles: Explainability

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Oxford Dictionary of English

Definitions

explanation | ɛksplə'neı∫(ə)n |

noun

a statement or account that makes something clear: the birth rate is central to any explanation of population trends.

interpret | In'təIprIt |

verb (interprets, interpreting, interpreted) [with object]

1 explain the meaning of (information or actions): the evidence is difficult to interpret.

- Explainable-AI explores and investigates methods to produce or complement AI models to make accessible and interpretable the internal logic and the outcome of the algorithms, making such process understandable by humans.
- Explicability, understood as incorporating both intelligibility ("how does it work?") for non-experts, e.g., patients or business customers, and for experts, e.g., product designers or engineers) and accountability ("who is responsible for").
- 5 core principles for ethical AI:
 - beneficence, non-maleficence, autonomy, and justice
 - a new principle is needed in addition: **explicability**

Motivating Examples

Opinion

OP-ED CONTRIBUTOR

When a Computer Program Keeps You in Jail

The New Hork Times

- Criminal Justice
 - People wrongly denied
 - Recidivism prediction
 - Unfair Police dispatch
- Finance:
 - Credit scoring, loan approval
 - Insurance quotes
- Healthcare
 - AI as 3^{rd-}party actor in physician patient relationship
 - Learning must be done with available data: cannot randomize cares given to patients!
 - Must validate models before use.

The Big Read Artificial intelligence (+ Add to myFT

Insurance: Robots learn the business of covering risk



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Researchers say use of artificial intelligence in medicine raises ethical questions

In a perspective piece, Stanford researchers discuss the ethical implications of using machine-learning tools in making health care decisions for patients.

• Machine Learning



Feature Importance, Partial Dependence Plot, Individual Conditional Expectation





Surogate Model

Oscar Li, Hao Liu, Chaofan Chen, Cynthia Rudin: Deep Learning for Case-Based Reasoning Through Prototypes: A Neural Network That Explains Its Predictions. AAAI 2018: 3530-3537

Auto-encoder

Mark Craven, Jude W. Shavlik: Extracting Tree-Structured Representations of Trained Networks. NIPS 1995: 24-30

- Machine Learning
- Computer Vision



Uncertainty Map

Alex Kendall, Yarin Gal: What Uncertainties Do We Need in Bayesian Deep Learning for Computer Vision? NIPS 2017: 5580-5590



Saliency Map

Julius Adebayo, Justin Gilmer, Michael Muelly, Ian J. Goodfellow, Moritz Hardt, Been Kim: Sanity Checks for Saliency Maps. NeurIPS 2018: 9525-9536

- Machine Learning
- Computer Vision
- Knowledge Representation and Reasoning



Abduction Reasoning (in Bayesian Network)

David Poole: Probabilistic Horn Abduction and Bayesian Networks. Artif. Intell. 64(1): 81-129 (1993)



Diagnosis Inference

Alban Grastien, Patrik Haslum, Sylvie Thiébaux: Conflict-Based Diagnosis of Discrete Event Systems: Theory and Practice. KR 2012

- Machine Learning
- Computer Vision
- Knowledge Representation and Reasoning
- Multi-agent Systems



Agent Strategy Summarization

Ofra Amir, Finale Doshi-Velez, David Sarne: Agent Strategy Summarization. AAMAS 2018: 1203-1207



Explainable Agents

Joost Broekens, Maaike Harbers, Koen V. Hindriks, Karel van den Bosch, Catholijn M. Jonker, John-Jules Ch. Meyer: Do You Get It? User-Evaluated Explainable BDI Agents. MATES 2010: 28-39

- Machine Learning
- Computer Vision
- Knowledge Representation and Reasoning
- Multi-agent Systems
- NLP



Explainable NLP

Hui Liu, Qingyu Yin, William Yang Wang: Towards Explainable NLP: A Generative Explanation Framework for Text Classification. CoRR abs/1811.00196 (2018)

- Machine Learning
- Computer Vision
- Knowledge Representation and Reasoning
- Multi-agent Systems
- NLP
- Planning and Scheduling



Maria Fox, Derek Long, Daniele Magazzeni: Explainable Planning. CoRR abs/1709.10256 (2017)

- Machine Learning
- Computer Vision
- Knowledge Representation and Reasoning
- Multi-agent Systems
- NLP
- Planning and Scheduling
- Robotics

Robot: I have decided to turn left. Human: Why did you do that? Robot: I believe that the correct action is to turn left BECAUSE: I'm being asked to go forward AND This area in front of me was 20 cm higher than me *highlights area* AND the area to the left has maximum protrusions of less than 5 cm *highlights area* AND I'm tilted to the right by more than 5 degrees. Here is a display of the path through the tree that lead to this decision. *displays tree* Human: How confident are you in this decision? Robot: The distribution of actions that reached this leaf node is shown in this histogram. *displays histogram* This action is predicted to be correct 67% of the time. Human: Where did the threshold for the area in front come from? Robot: Here is the histogram of all training examples that reached this leaf. 80% of examples where this area was above 20 cm predicted the appropriate action to be "drive forward".

From Decision Tree to human-friendly information

Raymond Ka-Man Sheh: "Why Did You Do That?" Explainable Intelligent Robots. AAAI Workshops 2017

Explanation as Machine-Human Conversation

[Weld and Bansal 2018]



C: I predict FISH

- Humans may have follow-up questions
- Explanations cannot answer all users' concerns

Role-based Interpretability

"Is the explanation interpretable?" \rightarrow "To whom is the explanation interpretable?" No Universally Interpretable Explanations!

• End users "Am I being treated fairly?"

"Can I contest the decision?"

"What could I do differently to get a positive outcome?"

- Engineers, data scientists: "Is my system working as designed?"
- Regulators " Is it compliant?"

An ideal explainer should model the *user* background.

[Tomsett et al. 2018, Weld and Bansal 2018, Poursabzi-Sangdeh 2018, Mittelstadt et al. 2019]



Summarizing: the Need to Explain comes from ...

• User Acceptance & Trust

[Lipton 2016, Ribeiro 2016, Weld and Bansal 2018]

- Legal
 - Conformance to ethical standards, fairness
 - Right to be informed
 - Contestable decisions
- Explanatory Debugging
 - Flawed performance metrics
 - Inadequate features
 - Distributional drift

[Goodman and Flaxman 2016, Wachter 2017]

[Kulesza et al. 2014, Weld and Bansal 2018]

XAI is Interdisciplinary

- For millennia, philosophers have asked the questions about what constitutes an explanation, what is the function of explanations, and what are their structure
- [Tim Miller 2018]



What is a Black Box Model?





A **black box** is a model, whose internals are either unknown to the observer or they are known but uninterpretable by humans.

- Guidotti, R., Monreale, A., Ruggieri, S., Turini, F., Giannotti, F., & Pedreschi, D. (2018). *A survey of methods for explaining black box models*. *ACM Computing Surveys (CSUR)*, *51*(5), 93.

Needs For Interpretable Models

COMPAS recidivism black bias



DYLAN FUGETT

Prior Offense 1 attempted burglary

Subsequent Offenses 3 drug possessions

BERNARD PARKER

Prior Offense 1 resisting arrest without violence

Subsequent Offenses None

LOW RISK

HIGH RISK

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Fugett was rated low risk after being arrested with cocaine and marijuana. He was arrested three times on drug charges after that.

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The background bias

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(a) Husky classified as wolf



(b) Explanation

Interpretable, Explainable and Comprehensible Models

Interpretability

- To *interpret* means to give or provide the meaning or to explain and present in understandable terms some concepts.
- In data mining and machine learning, interpretability is the *ability to explain* or to provide the meaning *in understandable terms to a human*.



- <u>https://www.merriam-webster.com/</u>

- Finale Doshi-Velez and Been Kim. 2017. *Towards a rigorous science of interpretable machine learning*. arXiv:1702.08608v2.

Dimensions of Interpretability

• Global and Local Interpretability:

- *Global*: understanding the whole logic of a model
- Local: understanding only the reasons for a specific decision
- *Time Limitation*: the time that the user can spend for understanding an explanation.
- Nature of User Expertise: users of a predictive model may have different background knowledge and experience in the task. The nature of the user expertise is a key aspect for interpretability of a model.



Desiderata of an Interpretable Model

- *Interpretability (or* comprehensibility): to which extent the model and/or its predictions are human understandable. Is measured with the *complexity* of the model.
- *Fidelity*: to which extent the model imitate a black-box predictor.
- Accuracy: to which extent the model predicts unseen instances.





Desiderata of an Interpretable Model

- *Fairness*: the model guarantees the protection of groups against discrimination.
- *Privacy*: the model does not reveal sensitive information about people.
- *Respect Monotonicity*: the increase of the values of an attribute either increase or decrease in a monotonic way the probability of a record of being member of a class.
- Usability: an interactive and queryable explanation is more usable than a textual and fixed explanation.

- Andrea Romei and Salvatore Ruggieri. 2014. A multidisciplinary survey on discrimination analysis. Knowl. Eng.
- Yousra Abdul Alsahib S. Aldeen, Mazleena Salleh, and Mohammad Abdur Razzaque. 2015. *A comprehensive review on privacy preserving data mining*. SpringerPlus .
- Alex A. Freitas. 2014. *Comprehensible classification models: A position paper*. ACM SIGKDD Explor. Newslett.



Desiderata of an Interpretable Model

- **Reliability and Robustness**: the interpretable model should maintain high levels of performance independently from small variations of the parameters or of the input data.
- **Causality:** controlled changes in the input due to a perturbation should affect the model behavior.
- *Scalability:* the interpretable model should be able to scale to large input data with large input spaces.
- Generality: the model should not require special training or restrictions.



Recognized Interpretable Models



Complexity

• Opposed to *interpretability*.

- Linear Model: number of non zero weights in the model.
- Is only related to the model and not to the training data that is unknown.
 - Rule: number of attribute-value pairs in condition.
- Generally estimated with a rough approximation related to the *size* of the interpretable model.
 Decision Tree: estimating the complexity of a tree can be hard.
- Marco Tulio Ribeiro, Sameer Singh, and Carlos Guestrin. 2016. *Why should i trust you?: Explaining the predictions of any classifier*. KDD.
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Open the Black Box Problems

Problems Taxonomy



XbD – eXplanation by Design





BBX - Black Box eXplanation



Classification Problem



Model Explanation Problem



Provide an interpretable model able to mimic the *overall logic/behavior* of the black box and to explain its logic.



Outcome Explanation Problem



Provide an interpretable outcome, i.e., an *explanation* for the outcome of the black box for a *single instance*.



Model Inspection Problem



Provide a representation (visual or textual) for understanding either how the black box model works or why the black box returns certain predictions more likely than others.



Transparent Box Design Problem



Provide a model which is locally or globally interpretable on its own.



Categorization



- The type of *problem*
- The type of **black box model** that the explanator is able to open
- The type of *data* used as input by the black box model
- The type of *explanator* adopted to open the black box

Black Boxes



- Neural Network (NN)
- Tree Ensemble (TE)
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)
- Deep Neural Network (**DNN**)



Types of Data

Table of baby-name data (baby-2010.csv)

name	rank	gender	year -	Field names
Jacob	1	boy	2010	One row
Isabella	1	girl	2010	(4 fields)
Ethan	2	boy	2010	
Sophia	2	girl	2010	
Michael	3	boy	2010]
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Tabular (**TAB**)



Images

(IMG)



Text (**TXT**)

Explanators

- Decision Tree (DT)
- Decision Rules (DR)
- Features Importance (FI)
- Saliency Maps (SM)
- Sensitivity Analysis (SA)
- Partial Dependence Plot (PDP)
- Prototype Selection (PS)
- Activation Maximization (AM)



Reverse Engineering

- The name comes from the fact that we can only *observe* the *input* and *output* of the black box.
- Possible actions are:
 - choice of a particular comprehensible predictor
 - querying/auditing the black box with input records created in a controlled way using *random perturbations* w.r.t. a certain prior knowledge (e.g. train or test)
- It can be *generalizable or not*:
 - Model-Agnostic
 - Model-Specific



Model-Agnostic vs Model-Specific



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DecText	[12]	Boz	2002	DT	NN	TAB	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark
GPDT	[46]	Johansson et al.	2009	DT	NN	TAB	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark
Tree Metrics	[17]	Chipman et al.	1998	DT	TE	TAB					\checkmark
CCM	[26]	Domingos et al.	1998	DT	TE	TAB	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark
-	[34]	Gibbons et al.	2013	DT	TE	TAB	\checkmark	\checkmark			
STA	[140]	Zhou et al.	2016	DT	TE	TAB		\checkmark			
CDT	[104]	Schetinin et al.	2007	DT	TE	TAB			\checkmark		
_	[38]	Hara et al.	2016	DT	TE	TAB		\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark
TSP	[117]	Tan et al.	2016								
Conj Rules	[21]	Craven SOI	/ing	Ine	IVIOC	Ie _{lab} ez	xpia	natio	on P	ropi	em
G-REX	[44]	Johansson et al.	2003	DR	NN	TAB	~	\checkmark	~		
REFNE	[141]	Zhou et al.	2003	DR	NN	TAB	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark
RxREN	[6]	Augasta et al.	2012	DR	NN	TAB		\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark

Global Model Explainers

- Explanator: DT
 - Black Box: NN, TE
 - Data Type: TAB
- Explanator: DR
 - Black Box: NN, SVM, TE
 - Data Type: TAB
- Explanator: FI
 - Black Box: AGN
 - Data Type: TAB

 $\begin{array}{l} R_1: IF(Outlook = Sunny) \ AND \\ (Windy= False) \ THEN \ Play=Yes \\ R_2: IF(Outlook = Sunny) \ AND \\ (Windy= True) \ THEN \ Play=No \\ R_3: IF(Outlook = Overcast) \\ THEN \ Play=Yes \\ R_4: IF(Outlook = Rainy) \ AND \\ (Humidity= High) \ THEN \ Play=No \\ R_5: IF(Outlook = Rainy) \ AND \\ (Humidity= Normal) \ THEN \ Play=Yes \end{array}$



Mark Craven and JudeW. Shavlik. 1996. Extracting tree-structured representations of trained networks. NIPS.

RXREN – DR, NN, TAB

- 01 prune insignificant neurons
- 02 for each significant neuron
- 03 for each outcome
- 04 auditing compute mandatory data ranges
- 05 for each outcome



- 06 build rules using data ranges of each neuron
- 07 prune insignificant rules
- 08 update data ranges in rule conditions analyzing error

if $((data(I_1) \ge L_{13} \land data(I_1) \le U_{13}) \land (data(I_2) \ge L_{23} \land data(I_2) \le U_{23}) \land$ $(data(I_3) \ge L_{33} \land data(I_3) \le U_{33}))$ then class = C_3 else if $((data(I_1) \ge L_{11} \land data(I_1) \le U_{11}) \land (data(I_3) \ge L_{31} \land data(I_3) \le U_{31}))$ then class = C_1 else class = C_2

 M. Gethsiyal Augasta and T. Kathirvalavakumar. 2012.
Reverse engineering the neural networks for rule extraction in classification problems. NPL.

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-	[134]	Xu et al.	2015	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
_	[30]	Fong et al.	2017	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark		
CAM	[139]	Zhou et al.	2016	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Grad-CAM	[106]	Selvaraju et al.	2016	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
-	[109]	Simonian et al.	2013	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark		\checkmark
PWD	[7]	Bach et al.	2015	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark		\checkmark
-	[113]	Sturm et al.	2016	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark		\checkmark
DTD	[78]	Montavon et al.	2017	SM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark		\checkmark
DeapLIFT	[107]	Shrikumar et al.	2017	FI	DNN	ANY			\checkmark	\checkmark	
СР	[64]	Landecker et al.	2013	SM	NN	IMG			\checkmark		
-	[143]	Zintgraf (t al.	2017	SMO.	DNN	IMG					
VBP	[11]	BOIVIN	$ g_{016} $	ne _M Ol	JTCO	me E	xpia	nati	ON P	rop	iem
_	[65]	Lei et al.	2016	SM	DNN	TXT					-
ExplainD	[89]	Poulin et al.	2006	FI	SVM	TAB		\checkmark	\checkmark		
_	[29]	Strumbelj et al.	2010	FI	AGN	TAB	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark

Local Model Explainers

- Explanator: SM
 - Black Box: DNN, NN
 - Data Type: IMG
- Explanator: FI
 - Black Box: DNN, SVM
 - Data Type: ANY
- Explanator: DT
 - Black Box: ANY
 - Data Type: TAB

R₁: IF(Outlook = Sunny) AND (Windy= False) THEN Play=Yes

Local Explanation

- The overall decision boundary is complex
- In the neighborhood of a single decision, the boundary is simple
- A single decision can be explained by auditing the black box around the given instance and learning a *local* decision.



LIME – FI, AGN, ANY



 Marco Tulio Ribeiro, Sameer Singh, and Carlos Guestrin. 2016. Why should i trust you?: Explaining the predictions of any classifier. KDD.





LORE – DR, AGN, TAB

- 01 x instance to explain
- 02 $Z_{=} = geneticNeighborhood(x, fitness_, N/2)$
- 03 $Z_{\neq} = geneticNeighborhood(x, fitness_{\neq}, N/2)$

05
$$c = buildTree(Z, b(Z))$$
 auditing

06
$$r = (p \rightarrow y) = extractRule(c, x)$$

- 07 $\phi = \text{extractCounterfactual}(c, r, x)$
- 08 return $e = \langle r, \phi \rangle$

 $r = {age \le 25, job = clerk, income \le 900} \rightarrow deny$

 $\Phi = \{(\{income > 900\} -> grant), \\ (\{17 \le age < 25, job = other\} -> grant)\}$

Pedreschi, Franco Turini, **f black box decision**





Meaningful Perturbations – SM, DNN, IMG



flute: 0.9973

flute: 0.0007

Learned Mask



- Ruth Fong and Andrea Vedaldi. 2017. Interpretable explanations of black boxes by meaningful perturbation. arXiv:1704.03296 (2017).

SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations)

- SHAP assigns each feature an importance value for a particular prediction by means of an additive feature attribution method.
- It assigns an importance value to each feature that represents the effect on the model prediction of including that feature
- Lundberg, Scott M., and Su-In Lee. "A unified approach to interpreting model predictions." *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*. 2017.



SHAP value (impact on model output)

prediction

mode

data

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NID	[83]	Olden et al.	2002	SA	NN	TAB			\checkmark		
GDP	[8]	Baehrens	2010	SA	AGN	TAB	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark
QII	[24]	Datta et al	2016	SA	AGN	TAB	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark
IG	[115]	Sundararajan	2017	SA	DNN	ANY			\checkmark		\checkmark
VEC	[18]	Cortez et al.	2011	SA	AGN	TAB	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark
VIN	[42]	Hooker	2004	PDP	AGN	TAB	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark
ICE	[35]	Goldstein et al.	2015	PDP	AGN	TAB	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Prospector	[55]	Krause et al.	2016	PDP	AGN	TAB	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark
Auditing	[2]	Adler et al.	2016	PDP	AGN	TAB	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
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-	[112]	Springenberg et al.	2014	AM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark		\checkmark
DGN-AM	[80]	Nguyen et al.	2016	AM	DNN	IMG			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Inspection Model Explainers

- Explanator: SA
 - Black Box: NN, DNN, AGN
 - Data Type: TAB
- Explanator: PDP
 - Black Box: AGN
 - Data Type: TAB
- Explanator: AM
 - Black Box: DNN
 - Data Type: IMG, TXT



- Introduce *random perturbations* on input values to understand to which extent every feature impact the prediction using PDPs.
- The input is changed *one variable at a time*.



- Ruth Fong and Andrea Vedaldi. 2017. *Interpretable explanations of black boxes by meaningful perturbation*. arXiv:1704.03296 (2017).

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CPAR	[135]	Yin et al.	2003	DR	—	TAB					\checkmark
FRL	[127]	Wang et al.	2015	DR	—	TAB			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
BRL	[66]	Letham et al.	2015	DR	—	TAB			\checkmark		
TLBR	[114]	Su et al.	2015	DR	_	TAB			\checkmark		\checkmark
IDS	[61]	Lakkaraju et al.	2016	DR	-	TAB			\checkmark		
Rule Set	[130]	Wang et al.	2016	DR	—	TAB			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
1Rule	[75]	Malioutov et al.	2017	DR	—	TAB			\checkmark		\checkmark
PS	[9]	Bien et al.	2011	PS	_	ANY			\checkmark		\checkmark
BCM	[51]	Kim et al.	2014	PS	-	ANY			\checkmark		\checkmark
OT-SpAMs	[128]	Wang et al.	2015	DT	_	TAB			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Solving The Transparent Design Problem

Transparent Model Explainers

- Explanators:
 - DR
 - DT
 - PS
- Data Type:
 - TAB



- Combines the advantages of associative classification and rule-based classification.
- It adopts a greedy algorithm to generate *rules directly from training data*.
- It generates more rules than traditional rule-based classifiers to *avoid missing important rules*.
- To *avoid overfitting* it uses expected accuracy to evaluate each rule and uses the best *k* rules in prediction.

$$(A_1 = 2, A_2 = 1, A_4 = 1). \ (A_1 = 2, A_3 = 1, A_4 = 2, A_2 = 3). \ (A_1 = 2, A_3 = 1, A_2 = 1).$$



- Xiaoxin Yin and Jiawei Han. 2003. *CPAR: Classification based on predictive association rules*. SIAM, 331–335

- It is a *branch-and bound algorithm* that provides the optimal solution according to the training objective with a certificate of optimality.
- It *maintains a lower bound* on the minimum value of error that each incomplete rule list can achieve. This allows to *prune an incomplete rule list* and every possible extension.
- It terminates with the optimal rule list and a certificate of optimality.

if (age = 18 - 20) and (sex = male) then predict yes else if (age = 21 - 23) and (priors = 2 - 3) then predict yes else if (priors > 3) then predict yes else predict no

⁻ Angelino, E., Larus-Stone, N., Alabi, D., Seltzer, M., & Rudin, C. 2017. *Learning certifiably optimal rule lists*. KDD.



Take-Home Messages

- Explainable AI is motivated by real-world application of AI
- Not a new problem a reformulation of past research challenges in AI
- Multi-disciplinary: multiple AI fields, HCI, social sciences (multiple definitions)
- In Machine Learning:
 - Transparent design or post-hoc explanation?
 - Background knowledge matters!
 - We can scale-up symbolic reasoning by coupling it with representation learning on graphs.
- In AI (in general): many interesting / complementary approaches

Open The Black Box!

- **To empower** individual against undesired effects of automated decision making
- To reveal and protect new vulnerabilities
- To implement the "right of explanation"
- To improve industrial standards for developing Alpowered products, increasing the trust of companies and consumers
- To help people make better decisions
- *To align* algorithms with human values
- To preserve (and expand) human autonomy



Open Research Questions

- There is *no agreement* on *what an explanation is*
- There is **not a formalism** for **explanations**
- There is *no work* that seriously addresses the problem of *quantifying* the grade of *comprehensibility* of an explanation for humans
- Is it possible to join *local* explanations to build a *globally* interpretable model?
- What happens when black box make decision in presence of *latent features*?
- What if there is a *cost* for querying a black box?



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