

## INTRODUCTION TO AI & DATA SCIENCE: Projects in Civil Security

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## What is Artificial Intelligence?



#### **Dartmouth Conference (1956)**

- Naming: "Artificial Intelligence"
- · Multi-disciplinary
  - Philosophy (z.B. Descartes, Leibnitz)
  - Logic / Mathematics (z.B. Gödel)
  - Computer Science (z.B. Turing, von Neumann)
  - Psychology / Cognitive Science (Knowledge representation)
  - Biologie / Neuro-Wissenschaften (Konnektivismus, Neural Networks)
  - Evolution (Genetic Programming)



Academic Discipline / Computer Science

- "Artificial Intelligence (AI) is the part of computer science concerned with designing intelligent computer systems, that is, systems that exhibit characteristics we associate with intelligence in human behavior" (Barr & Feigenbaum, 1981)
  - Understanding language
  - Learning
  - Reasoning
  - solving problems
- Scientific Goal: To determine which ideas about knowledge representation, learning, rule systems, search, and so on, explain various sorts of real intelligence.
- Engineering Goal: To solve real world problems using AI techniques such as knowledge representation, learning, rule systems, search, etc.

# HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

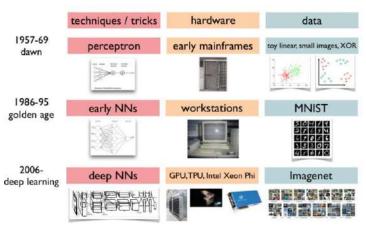


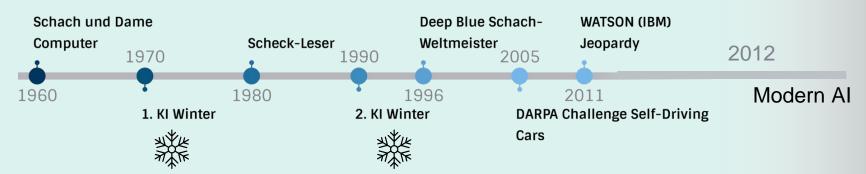
#### **High expectations**

- Major investment from the military
- Utopian ideas

#### Poor performance

- Slow computers
- Small data sets / Expensive data storage
- Many problems not yet solved
- Too few "experts"





## **DEFINITION** ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

#### Table 1. AI domains and subdomains constituting one part of the operational definition of AI

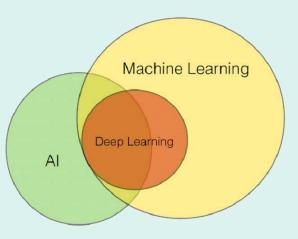
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	Al domain	Al subdomain
		Knowledge representation
	Reasoning	Automated reasoning
		Common sense reasoning
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	Searching	
		Optimisation
	Learning	Machine learning
	Communication	Natural language processing
	Perception	Computer vision
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	Integration and Interaction	Multi-agent systems
		Robotics and Automation
Transversal	interaction	Connected and Automated vehicles
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	Ethics and Philosophy	AI Ethics
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Samoili, S., López Cobo, M., Gómez, E., De Prato, G., Martínez-Plumed, F., & Delipetrev, B. (2020). Al Watch Defining Artificial Intelligence. Publications Office of the European Union.



### **Machine Learning**

- Methods which leverage data to improve performance on some set of tasks
- Statistical Machine Learning is dominant



## AI – AS A HYPE-TERM

#### Artificial Intelligence ...

#### ... Industry Interpretation

Artificial Intelligence ⇔ Machine Learning ⇔ Automation

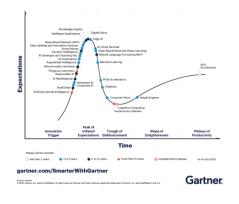
#### ... Public Administration

• Artificial Intelligence ⇔ Digitalization New

#### ... Advertisement

- The next Superlative
- Smart, Intelligent, ...

#### Hype Cycle for Artificial Intelligence, 2020



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#### Artificial Intelligence is ...

#### ... a political issue

- Hype Term
  - Associated with progress, innovation, etc.

#### ... heavily misused

- · Everyone has a best suiting definition of AI
- Advertisement, PR Departments, etc.

#### ... BUT, a promising technology

- Currently delivers impressive results
- Potential application in many areas

## DEEP LEARNING REQUIRES DATA

#### Learning by examples

- Deep Learning requires a lot of diverse data to recognize the relevant features of an object.
  - Different dog breeds, car brands, bird species, clothing, etc.

#### Overfitting

- If a model "sees" only red cars, it assumes that cars are red.
- If the training data is not diverse enough, it cannot generalize to "unseen" data ("it does not recognize blue cars")

#### Problems

- Bias: Annotator's bias, prejudices, stereotypes, etc. are reflected in the annotation / data sampling process
- Personal Data: Identifying information in text, image, sound.
  - > Anonymizing data, synthetic data
- Ethical implications: What data may be used (e.g., skin color, religion, sexual orientation, consumer behavior, etc.)?
  - → Ethics guidelines, legal guidelines





## DATA SCIENCE

#### Science in dealing with data / handling data

- "Data Science" originates in the 1960s
  - importance of statistical data analysis for an understanding of data was foreseen in an article<sup>1</sup> in 1962
- Gained increased importance with "Big Data"

#### Focus:

- Not on the data itself
- rather on the way in which the data is
  - processed, prepared, analysed
  - translated into decisions

#### Data science is concerned with

- purpose-oriented data analysis
- systematic generation of decision-making aids, tools and bases
- to achieve competitive advantages



Conceptual Framework	Introduction to Data		
Data Collection	Data Discovery and Collection		
	Evaluating and Ensuring Quality of Data and Sources		
Data Management	Data Organization		
	Data Manipulation		
	Data Conversion		
	Metadata Creation and Use		
	Data Curation, Security and Re-Use		
	Data Preservation		
Data Evaluation	Data Tools		
	Basic Data Analytics		
	Data Interpretation (Understanding Data)		
	Identifying Problems Using		
	Data Visualization		
	Presenting Data (Verbally)		
	Data Driven Decisions Making (DDDM)		
Data Application	Critical Thinking		
	Data Culture		
	Data Ethics		
	Data Citation		
	Data Sharing		
	Evaluating Decisions based on Data		

#### Abbildung 1: Data-Literacy-Kompetenzen nach Ridsdale et al.

Data Literacy und Data Science Education: Digitale Kompetenzen in der Hochschulausbildung. Policy Paper der Präsidiums-Task-Force "Data Science" der Gesellschaft für Informatik e.V. in Zusammenarbeit mit Vertretern der Deutschen Mathematiker-Vereinigung e.V., der Deutschen Physikalischen Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker e.V.

## **AI PROJECTS**

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Software Engineering for Al projects ...

- ... Requirements Engineering
- Complex
- runaway expectations

#### ... SW Architecture

- Wide, complex and relative new field
- · Best practices not yet widely incorporated into teaching

#### ... SW Management Process

Best practices not yet widely incorporated into teaching

#### ... SW Maintenance

Slow and difficult debugging

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#### ... AI Systems Risk Management

#### Extremly difficult to calculate

- multiple inter-disciplenary impacts
- Competences often not covered by executing institutions (especially KMUs)
- Knowledge about AI System management requirements not consolidated (AT, EU)
  - → difficult to estimate vendor/outcome reliability

#### · Impact on society

- High to very high, e.g.
  - · violation of personal rights
  - IT personel defining classification systems → becomes new reality/truth
  - Loss of trust in promising technology



#### Impact on personal lifes

- High to very high
- E.g., damaged reputation, credits not granted
- Impact on hosting company
  - High
  - High visibility
  - Damaged reputation
  - Legal consequences
- Impact on developing company
  - High
  - Damaged reputation
  - Loss of funding, future comissioning
  - Legal consequences



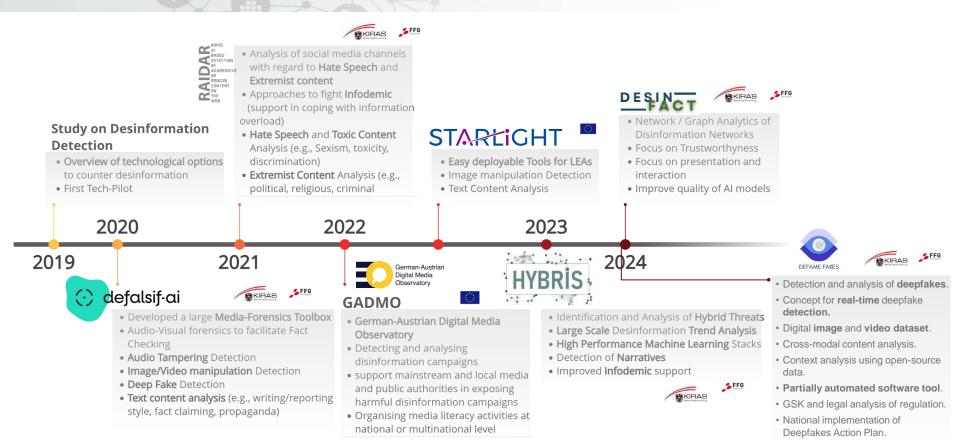
## Projects in Civil Security



## **Disinformation Detection Research @ AIT**

### Projects





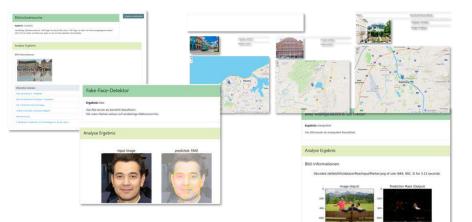


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### Visual Signals for the detection of Disinformation

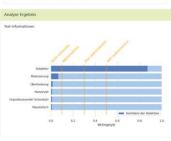


- Reverse-Image Search
- Image Geo-Location Estimation
- Fake-Face-Detector
- Image Manipulation Detector

Populistic	Text is written in a populistic way (i.e. words written in caps, many exclamation marks: "this CANNOT be done???"
Polarization	Article is written in a polarized way (i.e. it is the extent to which opinions on an issue are opposed, and the process by which this opposition increases over time)
Exaggeration	Article/Topic is represented as it is something as better or worse than it really is
Subjective	Text is written in a subjective way (opinion of the author) rather than journalistic.
Humoristic	The article uses humor as a writing-style.

#### Writingstyle Detektions Klassifikation

Ergelenis: Übertreibung 0.018; Poguistade 0.012; Polarisierung 0.008; Humarvall: 0.013; Sabjette: 0.073; Ungentessioneller Schreibste 0.013 In dem Test sind die folgenden Aspeite besonders heraurigestachen



#### Text Content Assessment / Evaluation

#### Coverage of a wide range of semantic concepts

Text Content Assement / Evaluation

Name	Recognised contents	Language	Domain	Category Examples
Hate speech	Hatred against groups or individuals	Multi-ling	Social networks Discussion forums	Yes / No
Extremism	Extremist content	German	Social networks Article	Right-, Left-, Religious- or Single-Issue Extremise
Toxicity	Toxic, offensive content, comments, hateful language	German	Social networks	Yes / N
Factual assertions	Was it factually alleged?	Multi-ling	Social networks	Yes / No
Appealing contents	Appealing, positive, discussion-promoting, language	German	Social networks Article	Yes / No
Sentimentality	Sentiment, feeling, emotion	German	Article	Positive, Negative
Report style	Report style of an article	German	Article	Conspiracy theory, clickbai
Writing style	Writing style of an article	German	Article	Polarise, exaggerate
Discrimination	Is a statement discriminatory?	German	Social networks	Ethnicity, social status
Relevance to criminal law	Is a statement criminal?	German	Social networks	Incitement, insul
Sexism	Various categories of sexism	English	Social networks	Misogyny, Sexual Violence





## RAIDAR

### Rapid Artificial Intelligence based Detection of Aggressive or Radical content on the Web

Research project financed by the security-research program KIRAS by the Ministry of Finance in Austria

Timeline: October 2021 – September 2023

Topics: Hate Speech Detection, Extremism, Radicalization, Artificial Intelligence

Coordination: AIT, Alexander Schindler (alexander.schindler@ait.ac.at)



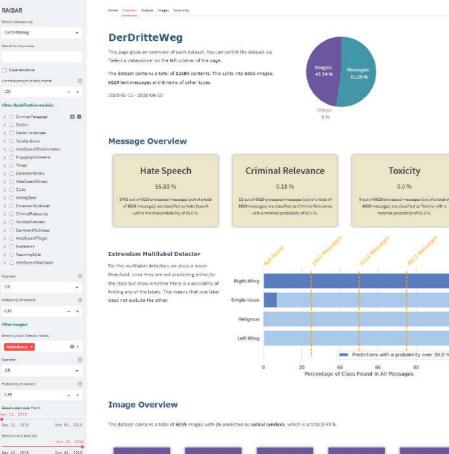


## CONTENT ASSESSMENT / **EVALUATION**

### Questions:

- $\odot$ How are these discussions conducted?
  - How much hate speech?  $\odot$
  - How much extremism?  $\odot$
  - $\odot$ What kind of extremism?
  - $\odot$ ...
- $\odot$ Aggregation / Summarization of Machine Learning results
- Trend / Time series Analysis  $\odot$
- $\odot$ **Graph Analytics**

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## **VISUAL EXPLORATION**

### ⊙ Task:

- ⊙ Group similar content together
- Visualize content similarities

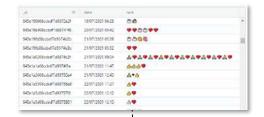
### $\odot$ Objective:

- Assistance in identifying/distinguishing between relevant and irrelevant content
- Content overview/understanding

### $\odot$ Method:

- ⊙ Content Embeddings
  - ☺ E.g., text-, image-, audioembeddings
- ⊙ Graph Embeddings
- ⊙ Projections
  - ⊙ E.g., t-sne, umap

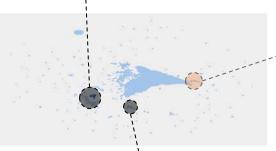
#### **Emoticons only Cluster**





#### Dissemination of excerpts from the German Reich Act of 1871

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## **HYBRIS**

### Hybride Bedrohungs-Resilienz durch Interdisziplinäre Zusammenarbeit der Sicherheitsbehörden

Research project financed by the security-research program KIRAS by the Ministry of Finance in Austria

Timeline: January 2023 – December 2024

Topics: Disinformation Detection, Hybrid Threats, Artificial Intelligence

Coordination: AIT, Alexander Schindler (alexander.schindler@ait.ac.at) & Mina Schütz



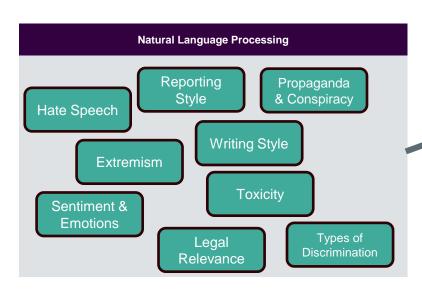


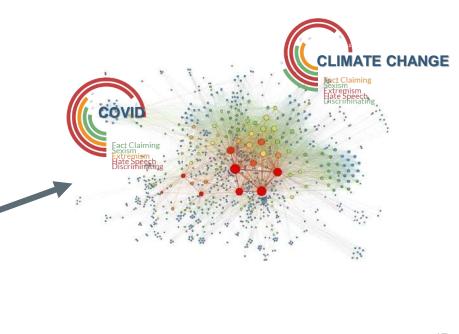




### **Information Nutrition Labels**

- Automatic Detection of Disinformation Using Al Models
- Assessment of over 50 features.
- Detection of correlations and themes.









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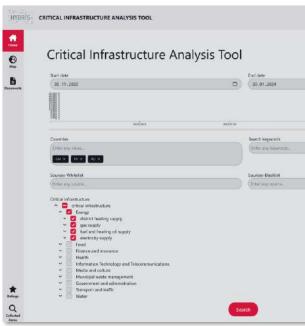
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### **Situational Awareness**





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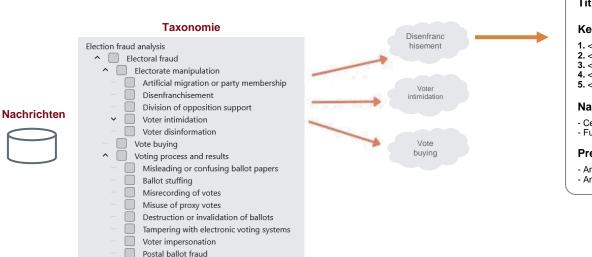
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### **Threat Estimation & Narrative Detection**



#### Story-Card

Title: <LLM generated accumulated Title>

Indicators:

- Incitement of Volence

- Economic Implications

- Medical Implications

#### Num. Articles: 35

#### Key-Claims:

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#### Narratives:

- Central Narrative: - Further Narrative

#### Predjudice:

Antisemitism
 Anti-Feminism





## Thank you!

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