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Artificial Intelligence for Intelligent Cities (Materials)

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Smart cities, smart materials

A Smart city is an urban setting that applies technology to enhance the benefits and diminish the shortcomings of urbanization for its citizens [1]”

Smart materials can sense, process, and respond to environmental stimuli without involving centralized resources [2]

- Adaptive materials
- Self-healing materials
- “Living materials,” which may even use biological organisms
- Chemical machines for sensing and responding to environmental changes

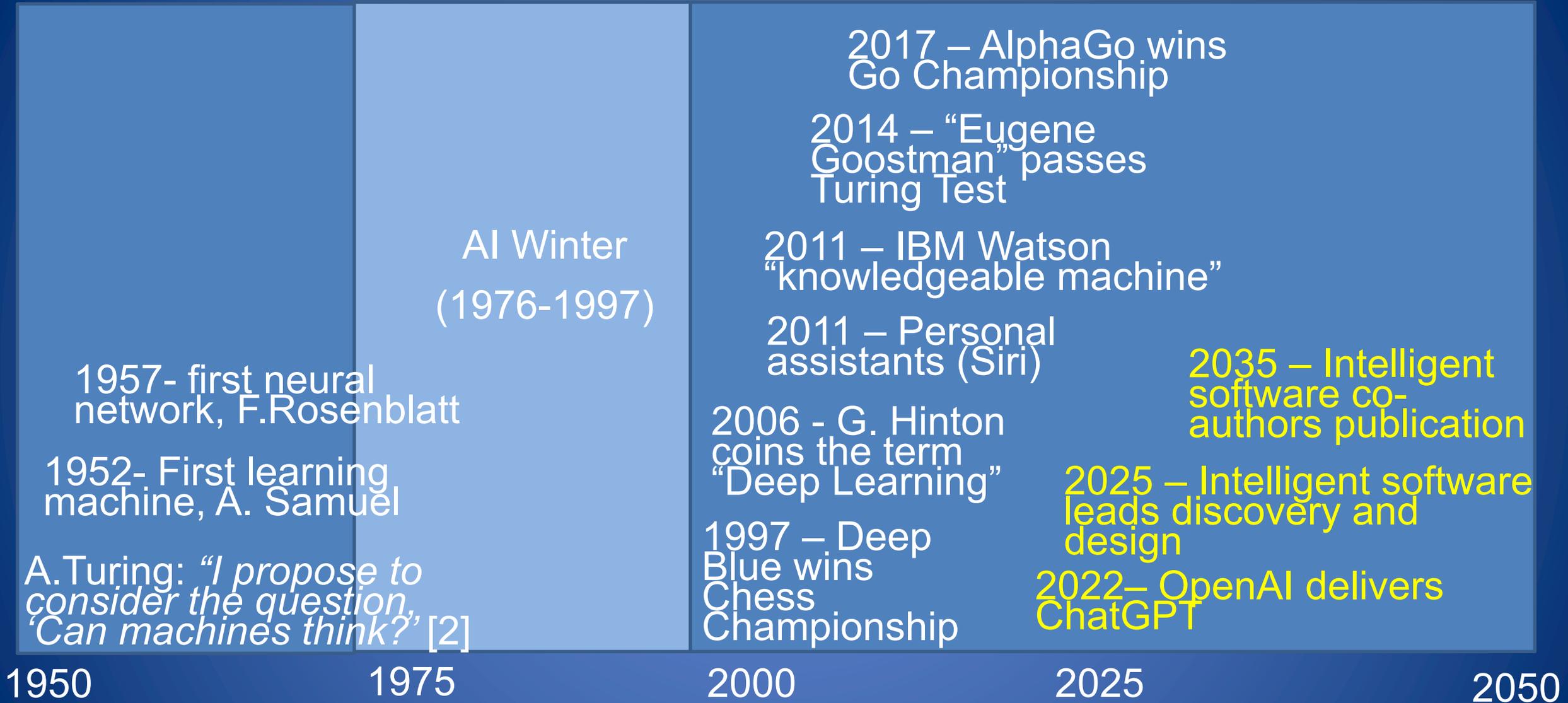
[1] The Smart City Index

[2] R. Napolitano, W. Reinhart, and JP Gevaudan (2021) Science, 371 (2021) 1200

From “smart” to “intelligent”

Intelligent cities (materials) **learn** and
respond to **new** challenges in **real-time**

A brief history of Artificial Intelligence [1]



[1] M. Stan, *Human and Artificial Intelligence* (2023)

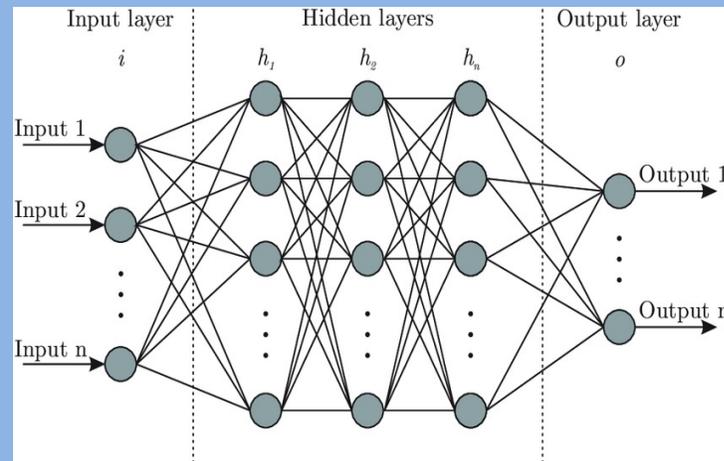
[2] Alan Turing, "Computing Machinery and Intelligence", 1950

AI components

Artificial Intelligence (AI): software that exhibits intelligence

Machine Learning (ML): AI algorithms that learn from data and improve

Deep Learning: ML algorithms based on neural networks



Computer vision

Robotics

Natural
Language
Processing

AI for improved computers

Hafnium dioxide (hafnia) HfO_2

Introduced by Intel in 2007 as a replacement for silicon oxide in field-effect transistors (FET)

Used in dynamic random-access memory (DRAM) to increase the capacity of computer memory and make the computers faster

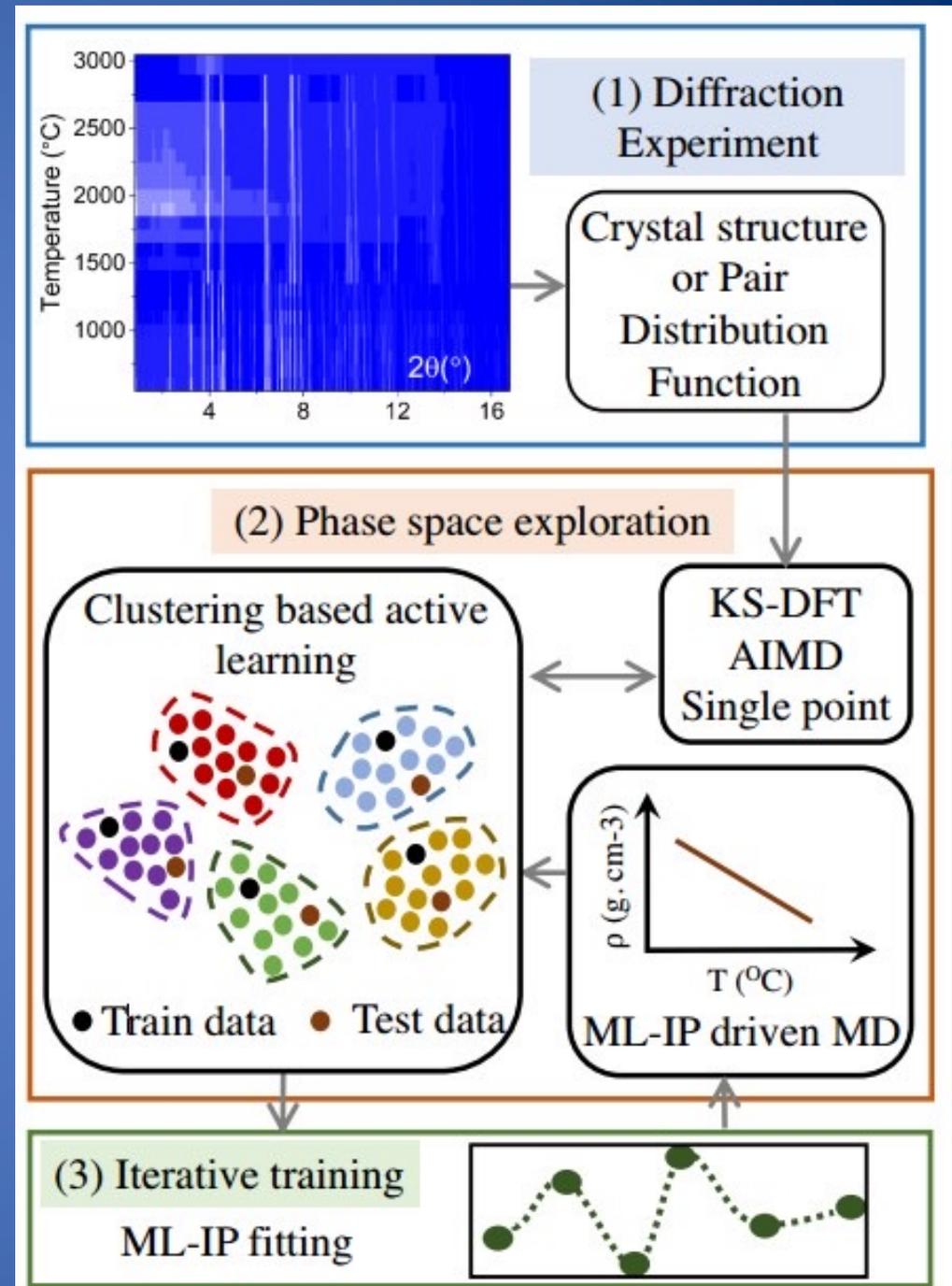


Methodology

(1) HfO_2 samples are acoustically levitated, then x-ray and neutron diffraction measurements initialize the AI-driven molecular dynamics calculations of atomic structures

(2) A deep-learning algorithm explores the phase space, screening for best atom configurations

(3) AI learns from experiments and simulations, re-trains the model, and makes better predictions



Results

- AI learns from experiments and finds the optimal inter-atomic potential and crystal structure
- The method reduces human time and effort by a factor of 10 while maintaining accuracy (compared to DFT)
- The resulting computer memory has more capacity and is way faster

AI for improved batteries

Conventional Li-ion batteries:

- Limited energy density due to graphite anode
- Large volume change at certain Li content leading to collapse of the cathode
- Risk of thermal runaway



Solid-state batteries:

- Higher energy density due to compatibility with Li metal anode
- Dramatically improved safety



Methodology and team

John Low



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Initial AIMD



ML Training



Predict with UQ



Active selection



Improved cathode



Juan Garcia



Joshua Gabriel



DeepMD-kit

Marius Stan



Quantum Optimization



Results

- The machine learning software predicted the collapse of a Li ion NMC-111 ($\text{Li}_{1.05}\text{Ni}_{0.33}\text{Mn}_{0.33}\text{Co}_{0.33}\text{O}_2$) cathode at an amount of 0.2 Li at room temperature
- The machine learning software provided an acceleration of 10x, while maintaining accuracy, with respect to the underlying training data derived from DFT calculations

Recent AI applications for smart cities



A self-driving car in Las Vegas



A swarm of AI drones can autonomously evaluate fire and conflict situations
[Andy Dean photography/Shutterstock.com]



Autonomous delivery system at University of Arizona [M. Stan]

Human and Artificial Intelligence

	Pros	Cons
Human Intelligence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common sense• Critical Thinking• Intuition• Creativity• Sense of humor	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unreliable• Slow• Limited processing capacity• Impacted by mood• Requires extended rest, recovery
Artificial Intelligence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fast response• Can quickly process large data sets and streams• Powerful, reliable memory• Available most of the time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No creativity• No personality• Can increase unemployment• Can deteriorate human abilities• Might take over human society

“I view it as a big responsibility to get it right ... I think we'll be able to do these things better over time.” Sundar Pichai (Google)

“We have a five to ten percent chance of success of creating safe AI.” Elon Musk (Tesla)

Some things to consider

- Intelligent Cities (Materials) **learn** and respond to **new** challenges in **real-time**
- Teams of humans and AI have created improved materials for computer memory and battery cathodes for autonomous devices in smart cities
- By 2035 intelligent software will co-author scientific articles
- AI has many benefits; the main danger is the people who use it
- Legal AI frameworks are best developed by politicians, technologists and AI
- Romania has the brain power to create intelligent cities. But it needs ...