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*Models-schmodels: why you should care about **Data-Centric AI***

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The way I learned
data science

📖 Study the algorithms

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**PATTERN RECOGNITION
AND MACHINE LEARNING**
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```
def sigmoid(x):  
    return 1 / (1 + np.exp(-x))  
  
def sigmoid_derivative(x):  
    return x * (1 - x)  
  
# define layers  
n_input = 2  
n_hidden = 6  
n_output = 1  
  
# weight initialization  
hidden_weights = np.random.uniform(size=(n_input, n_hidden))  
output_weights = np.random.uniform(size=(n_hidden, n_output))  
  
epochs = 10000  
for _ in range(epochs):  
    # Forward pass.  
    hidden_layer = X @ hidden_weights  
    hidden_activated = sigmoid(hidden_layer)  
  
    output_layer = hidden_activated @ output_weights  
    output_activated = sigmoid(output_layer)  
    y_hat = output_activated  
  
    # Backpropagation / error calculation  
    error_output = y - y_hat  
    delta_output = error_output * sigmoid_derivative(output_activated)  
  
    error_hidden = delta_output @ output_weights.T  
    delta_hidden = error_hidden * sigmoid_derivative(hidden_activated)  
  
    # Update weights.  
    output_weights += hidden_activated.T @ delta_output  
    hidden_weights += X.T @ delta_hidden
```


The way I learned data science

- 🎓 Study the **algorithms**
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- 💪 Practice on **toy** datasets


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The way *many people* learn data science

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hyperparameter tuning


Inductive Transfer

If machine learning is *20% modelling*
and *80% data prep...*

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.... why is *data prep* not taught?


Data scientists treat datasets as **static**


 What they learn in courses

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- 🔧 It's what most tools are being built for

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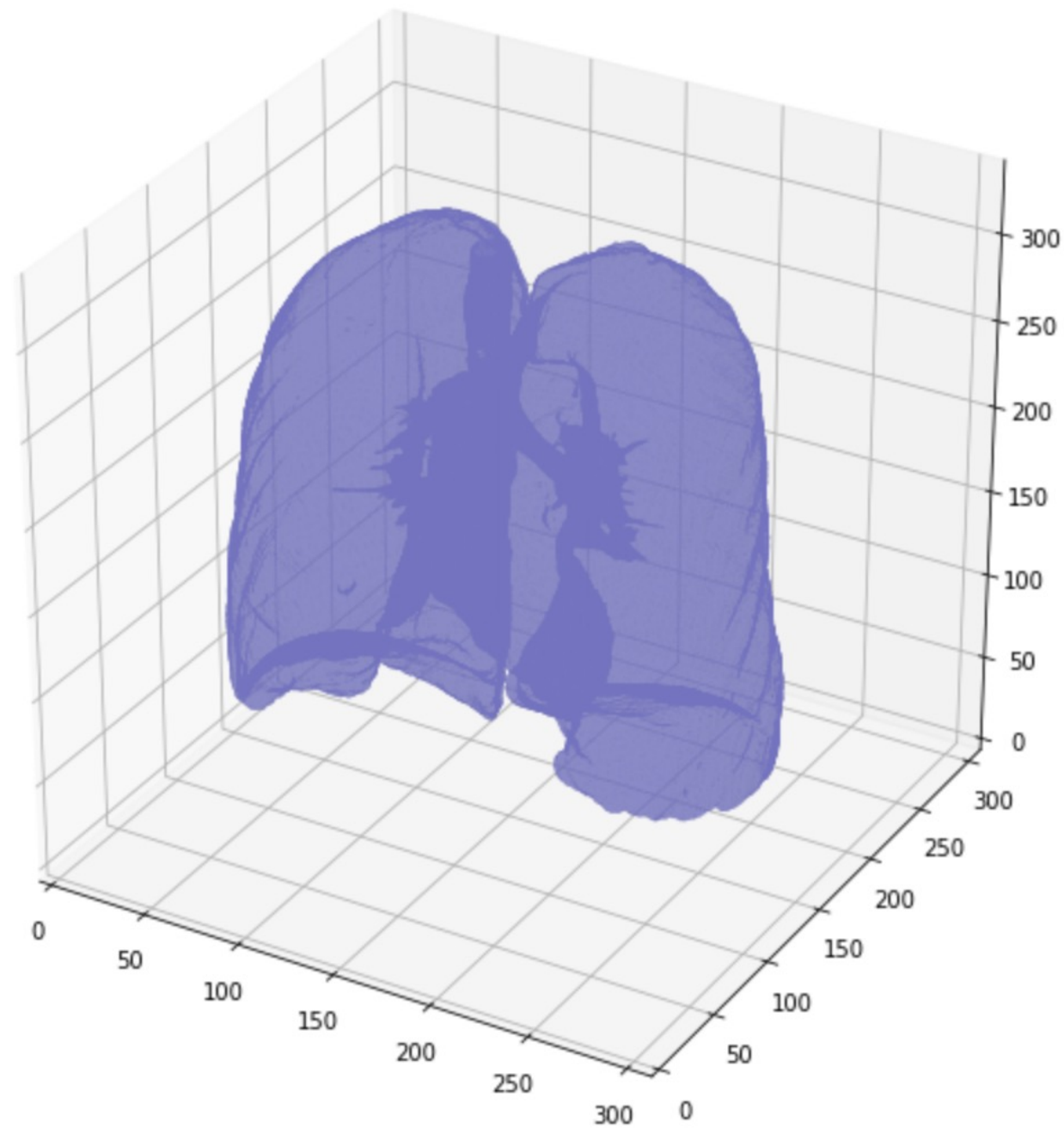
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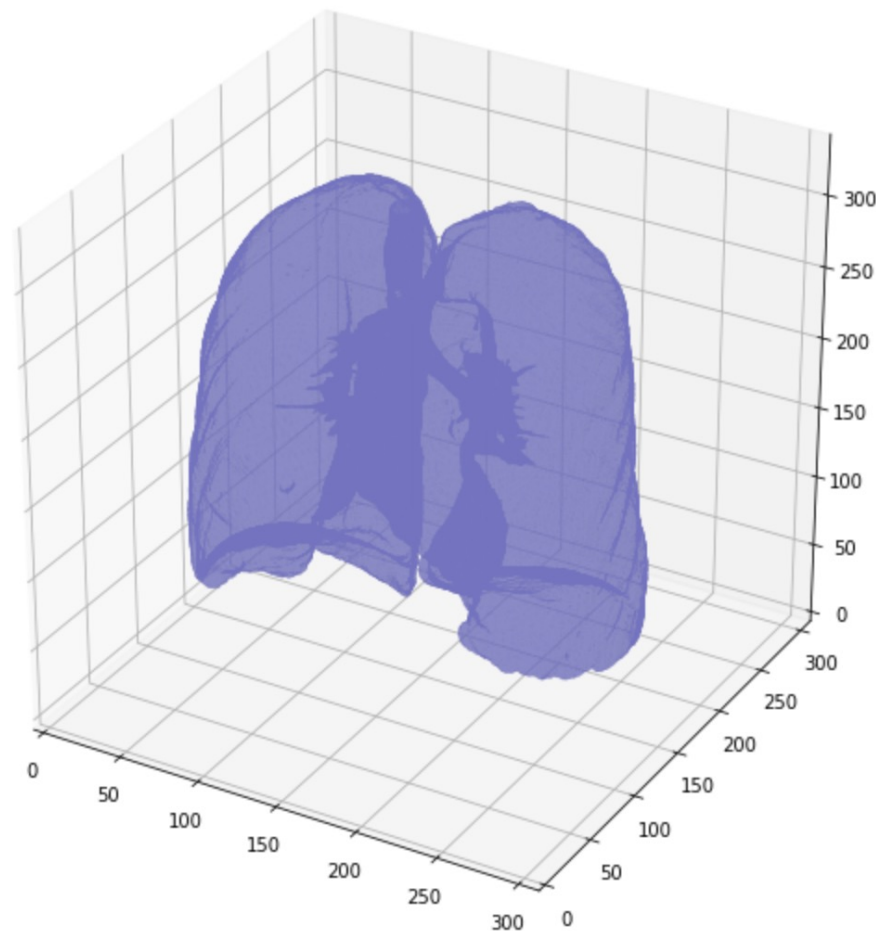
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But **datasets** should not be *static*

Example: Data Science Bowl 2017

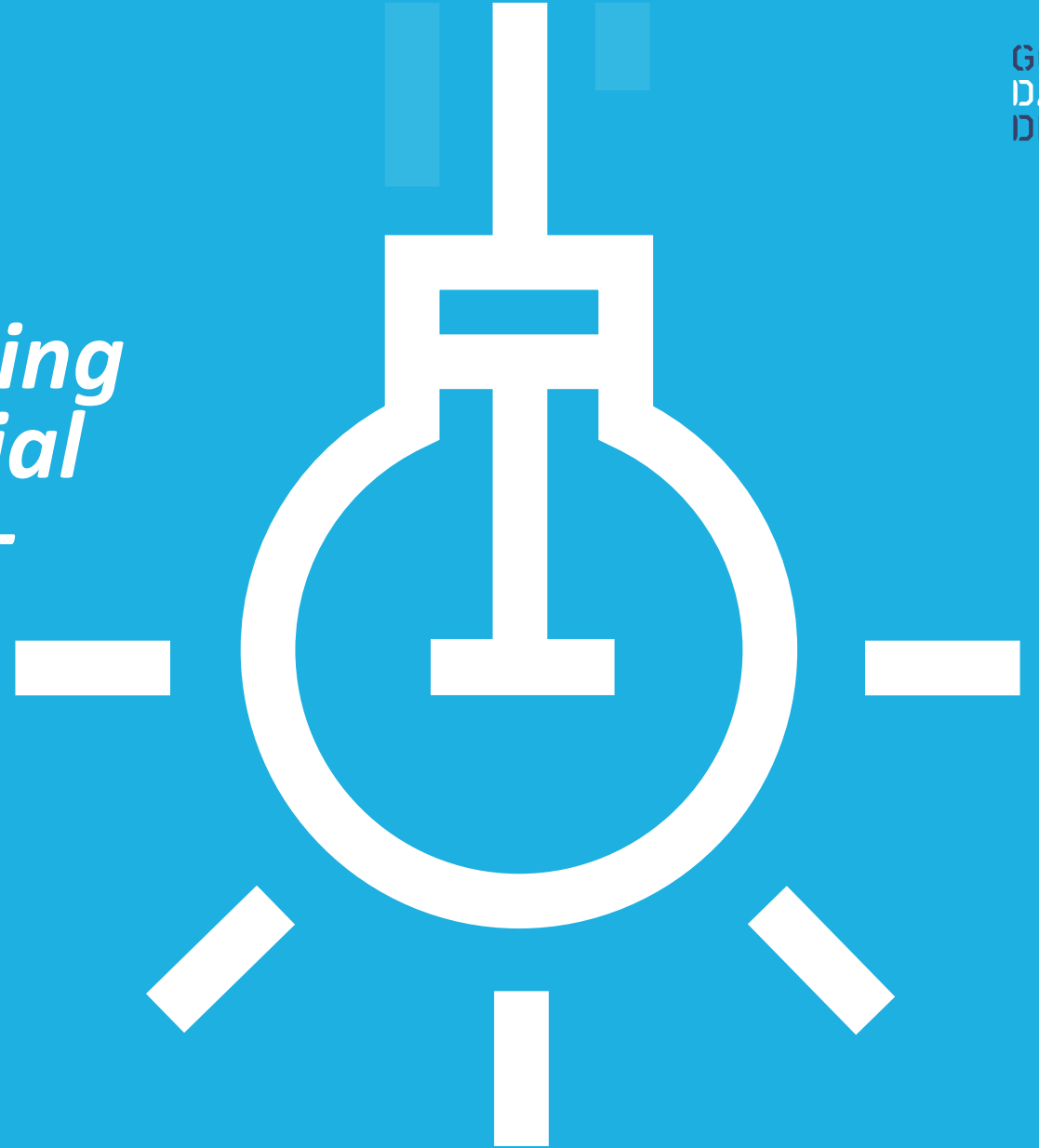


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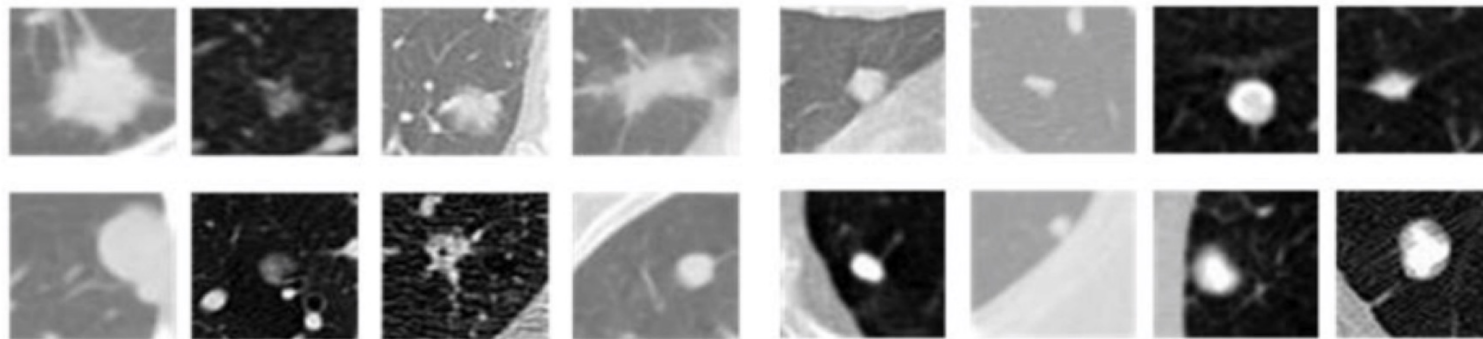
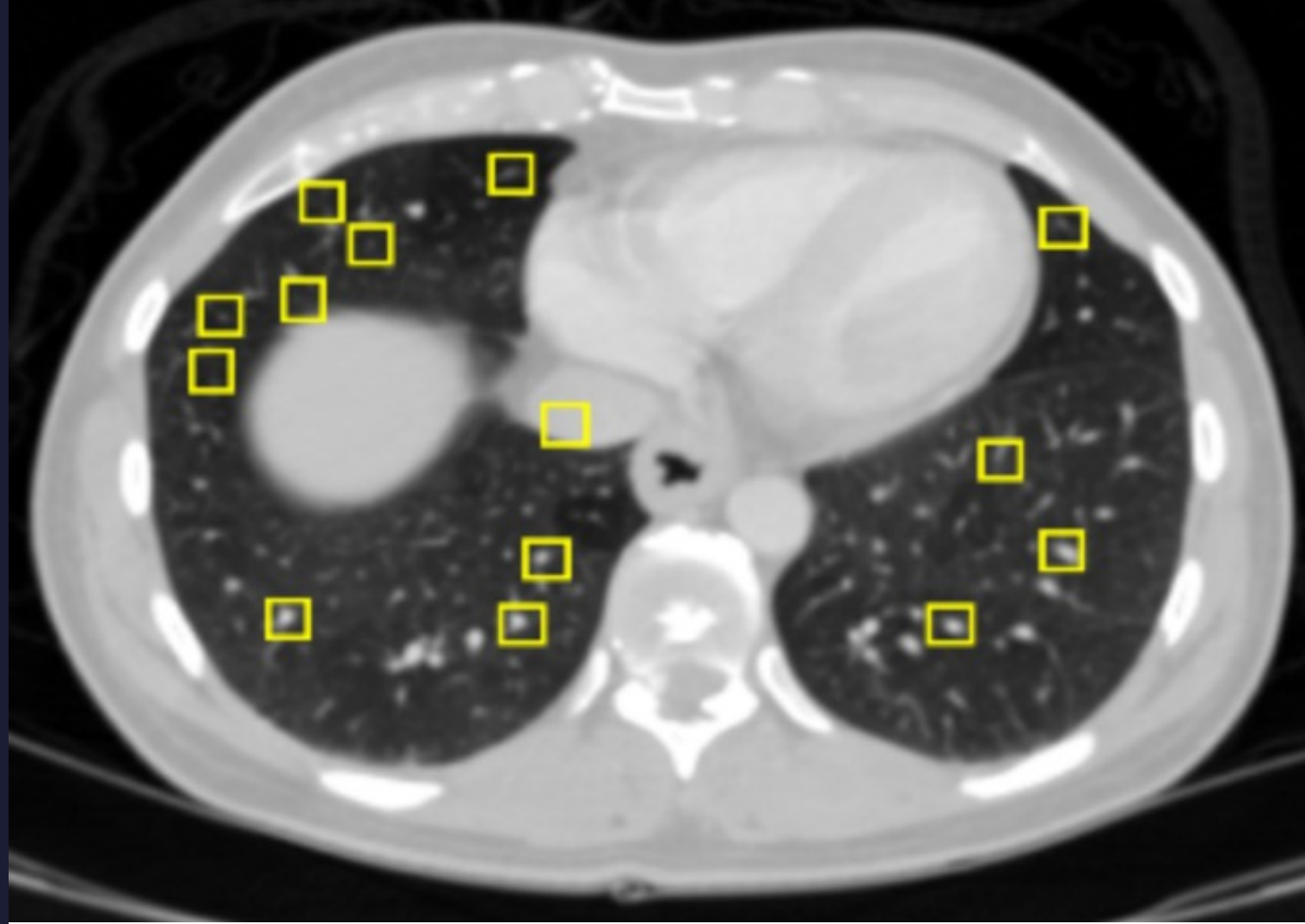


*“For this solution, engineering the train set was an essential – if not **the** most essential – part.”*

- Julian de Wit, 2nd place

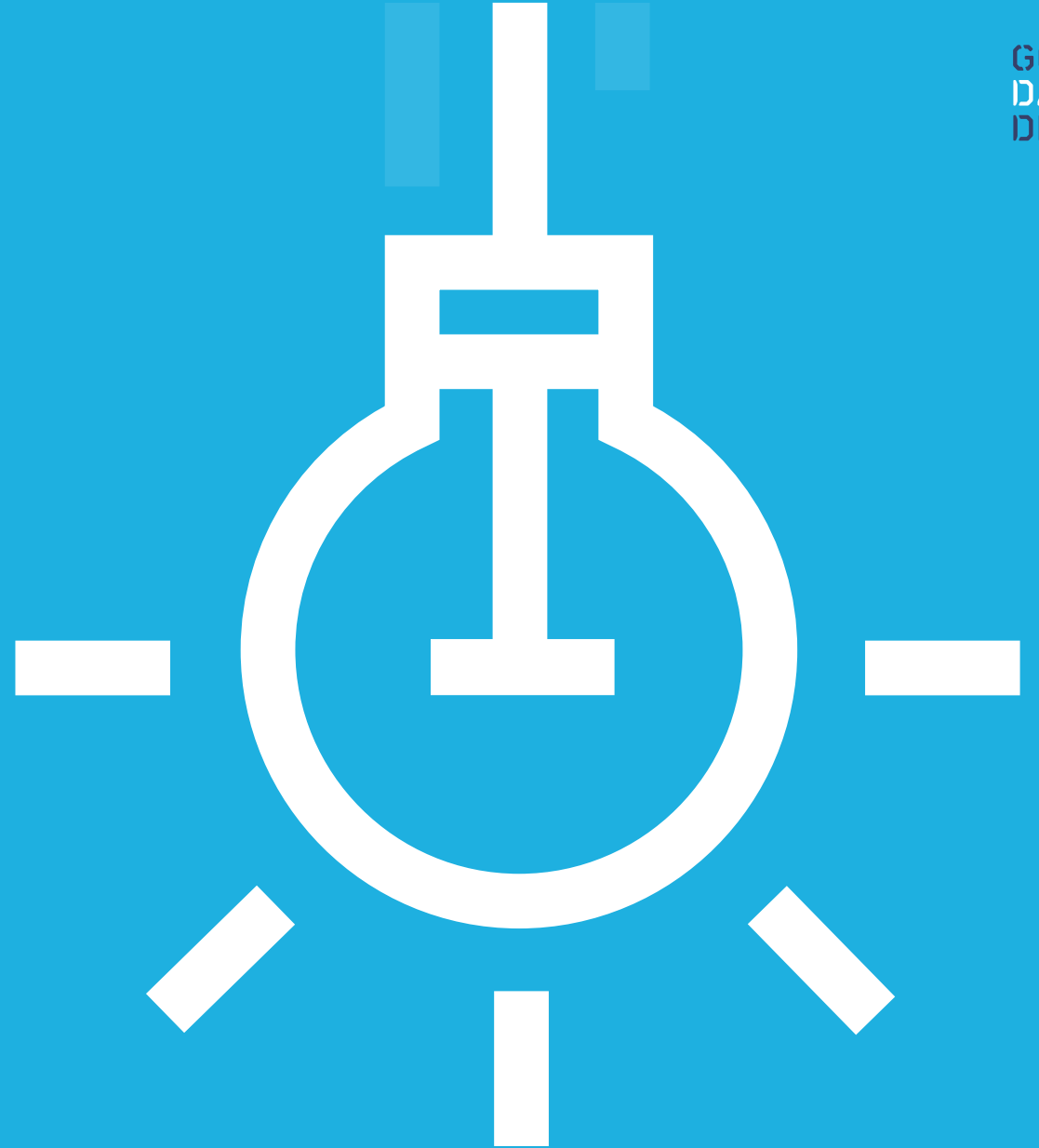


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Data-Centric AI competition



Data-centric AI is the discipline of systematically engineering the data used to build an AI system.

Data-Centric AI competition

- Model is **fixed** (ResNet50)

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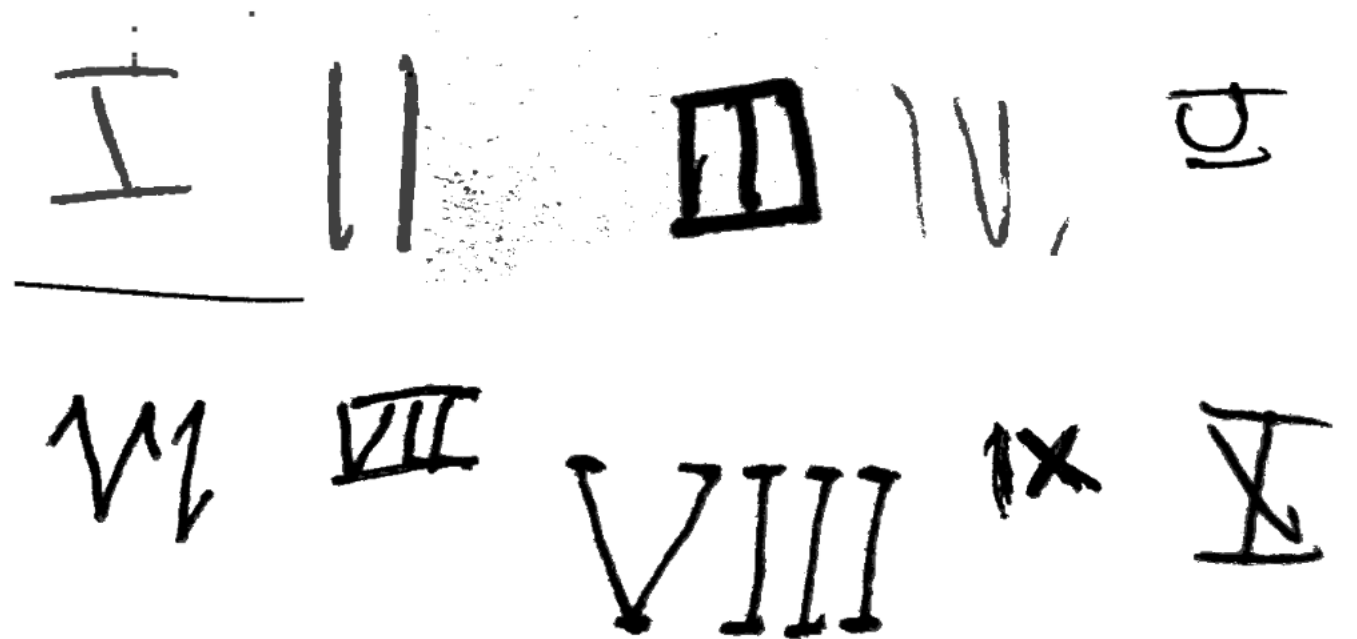
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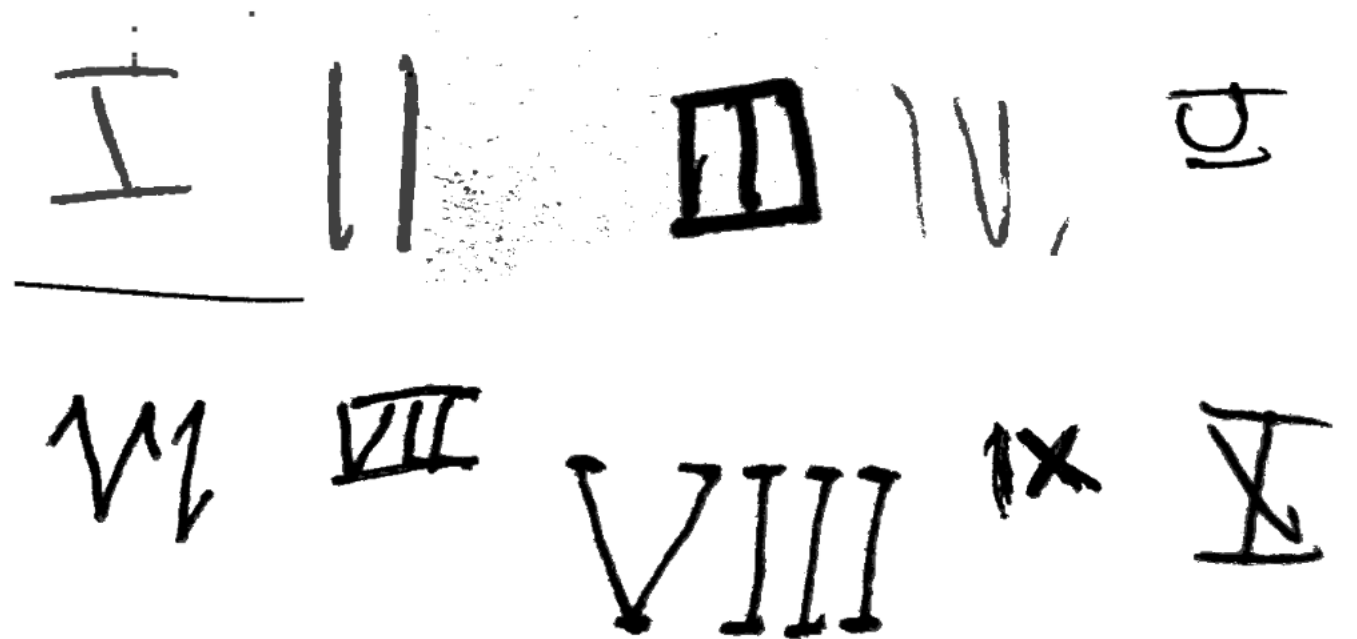
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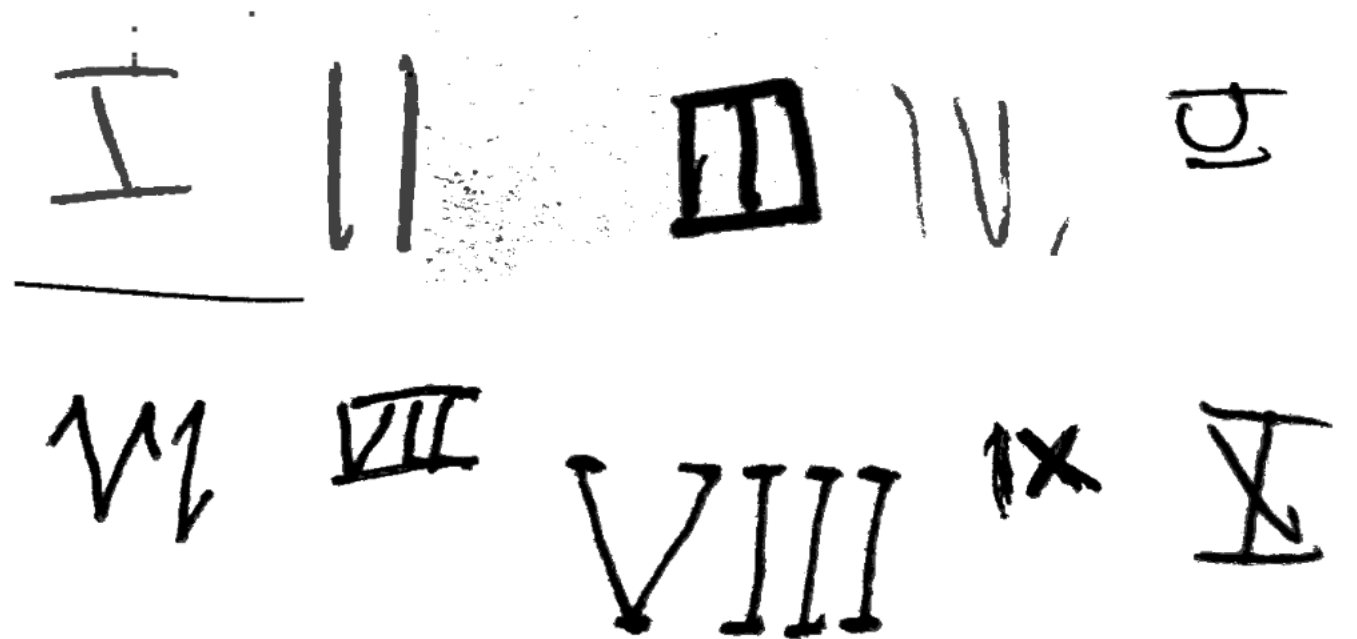
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TASK

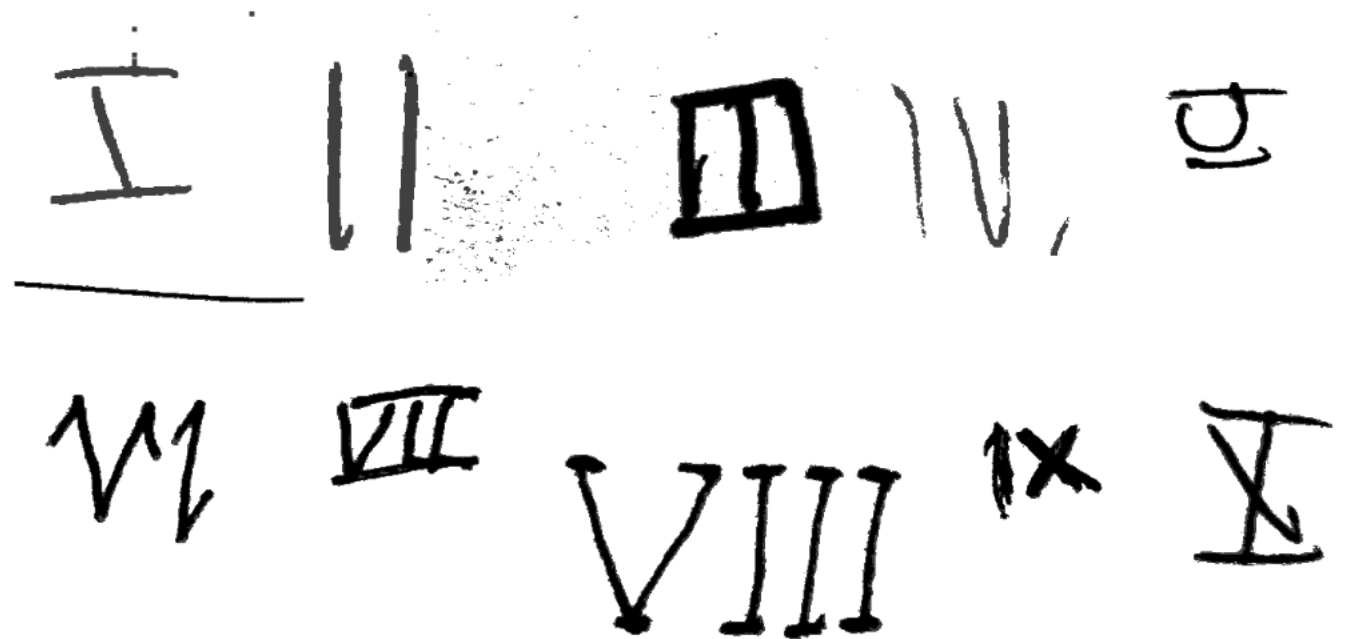
Enhance the dataset to a maximum of **10K images** that maximizes the model accuracy on a **hidden** test set

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OUR SOLUTION




Use **low-tech** tools to get started
together



Navigation and formatting toolbar with icons for undo, redo, print, copy, paste, zoom (100%), currency, percentage, decimal, thousand separator, font color, background color, bold, italic, strikethrough, underline, and text color.

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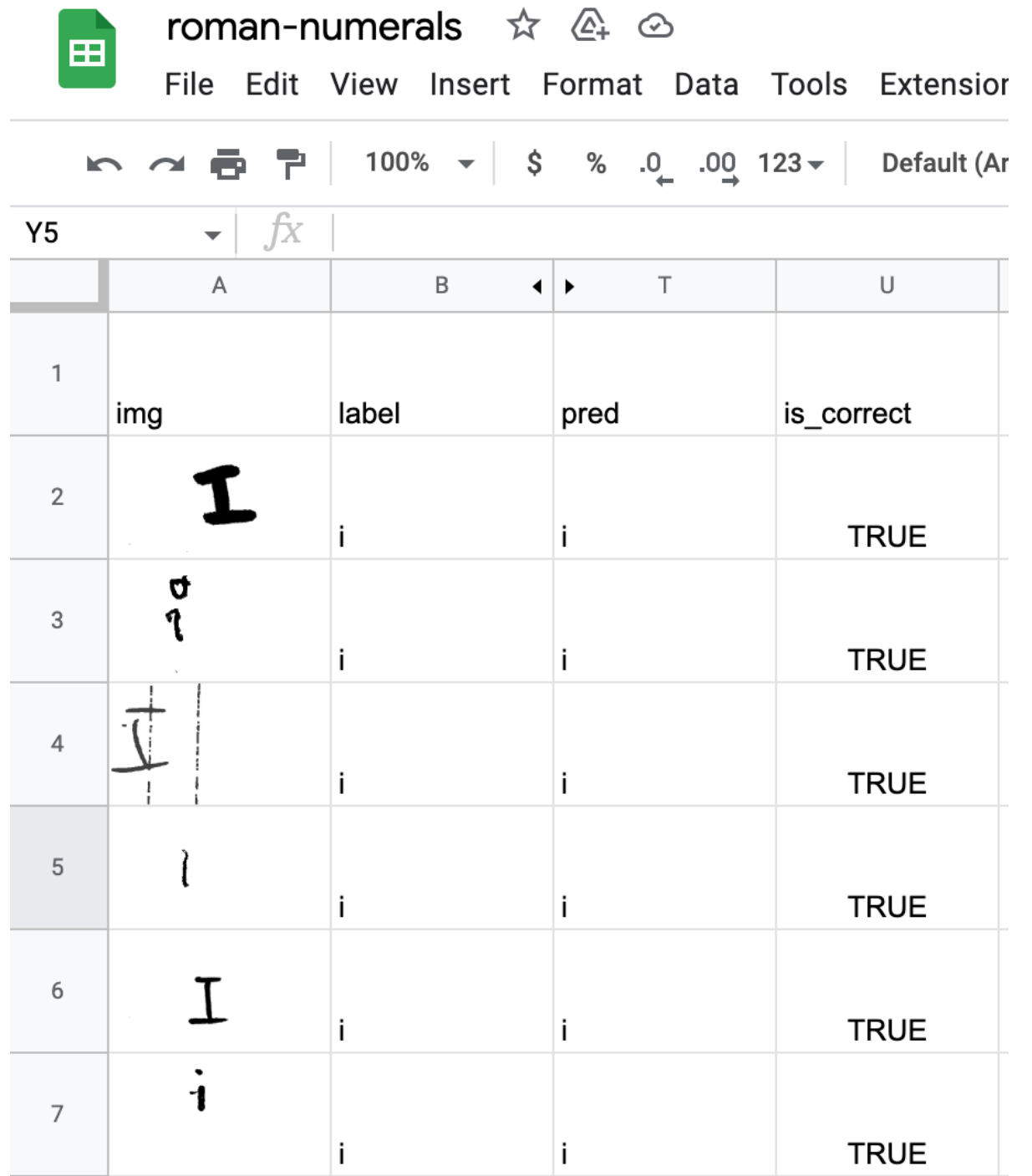
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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
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
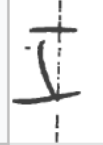



Improve label quality

1. Get predictions from [baseline model](#)

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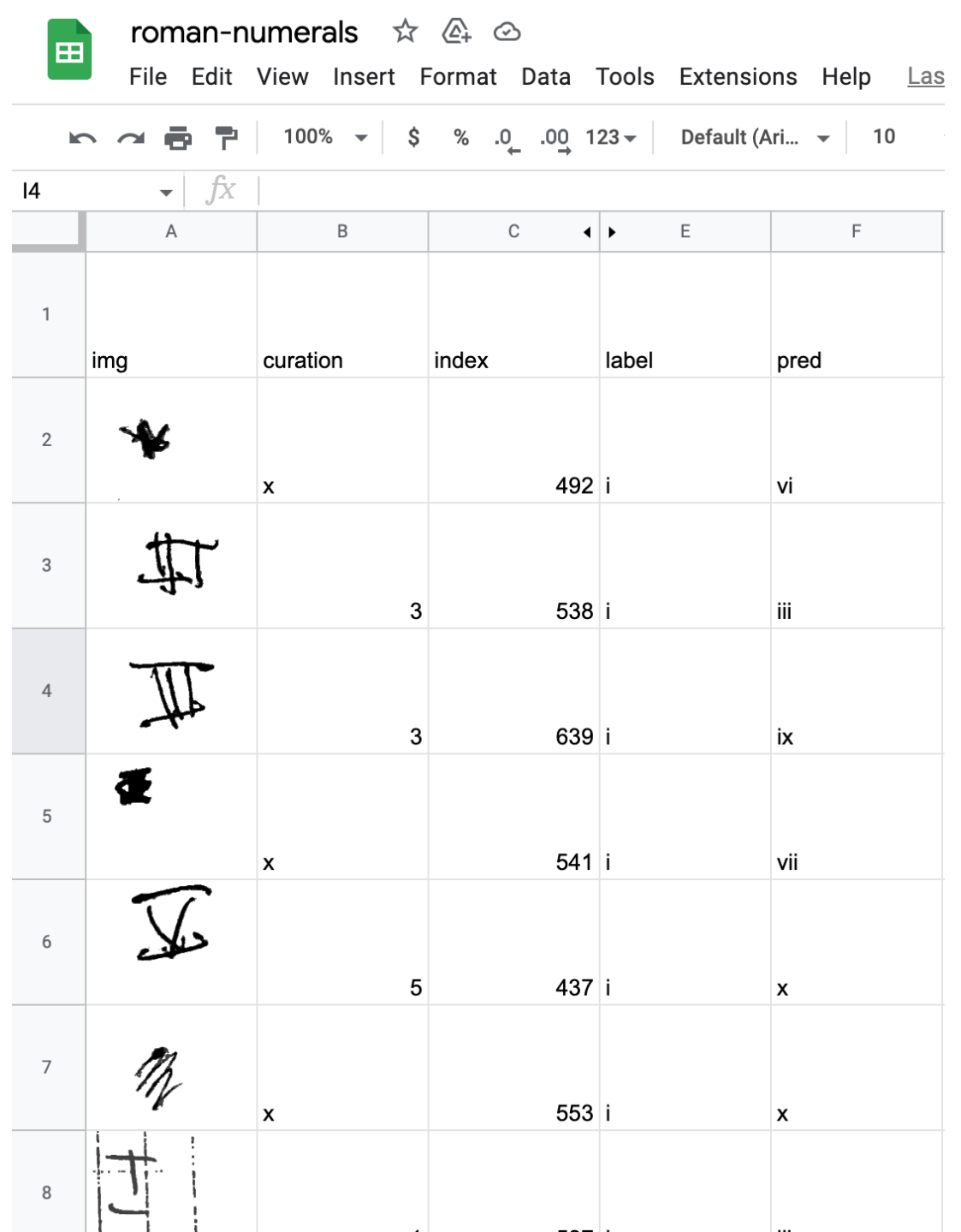
The screenshot shows a Google Sheets spreadsheet titled "roman-numerals". The spreadsheet has a table with 7 rows and 4 columns. The columns are labeled "img", "label", "pred", and "is_correct". The rows contain handwritten Roman numerals and their corresponding labels and predictions. The "is_correct" column contains the value "TRUE" for all rows.

	A	B	T	U
1	img	label	pred	is_correct
2		i	i	TRUE
3		i	i	TRUE
4		i	i	TRUE
5		i	i	TRUE
6		i	i	TRUE
7		i	i	TRUE

Improve label quality

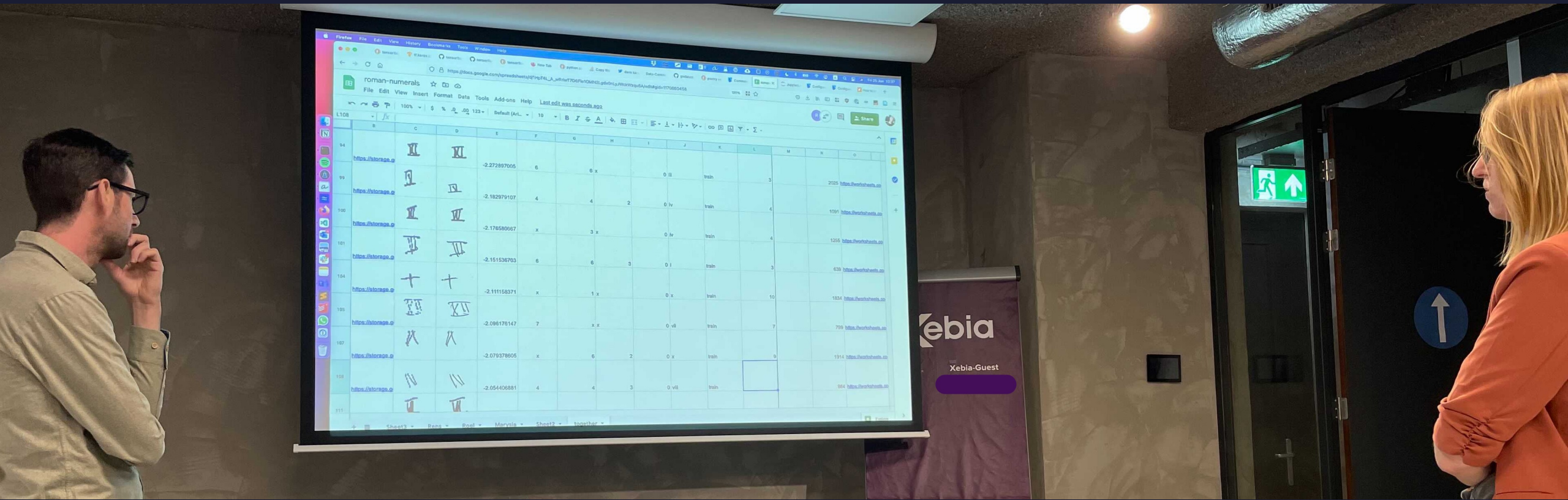
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












	A	B	C	E	F	
1	img	curation	index	label	pred	
2		x	492	i	vi	
3			3	538	i	iii
4			3	639	i	ix
5		x		541	i	vii
6			5	437	i	x
7		x		553	i	x
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Improve label quality

1. Get predictions from [baseline model](#)
2. Focus on [discrepancies](#) between the model and the ground truth
3. Individually annotate and create annotator [consensus](#)

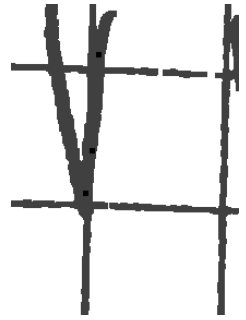
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		2	x x		0	3
						
		5	x x		0	9
		3	x	3	0	7
		x	x	2	0 x	
		6	7	7	0	7
		6	x x		0	6

LESSON ONE

The labeling **IS** the learning

Lessons learnt

- ✗ Some data points simply needed to be removed



Lessons learnt



Some data points simply
needed to be removed



Lack of consensus between
annotators was often about
the same classes

<u>II</u>	2	6	2
<u>IV</u>	4	2	2
<u>VI</u>	7	7	3
<u>VII</u>	7	3	7

Lessons learnt



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Different styles of writing

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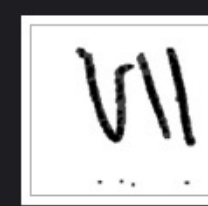


Difference in train/validation..??

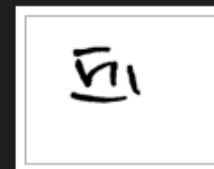
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Sample from training set



Sample from validation set

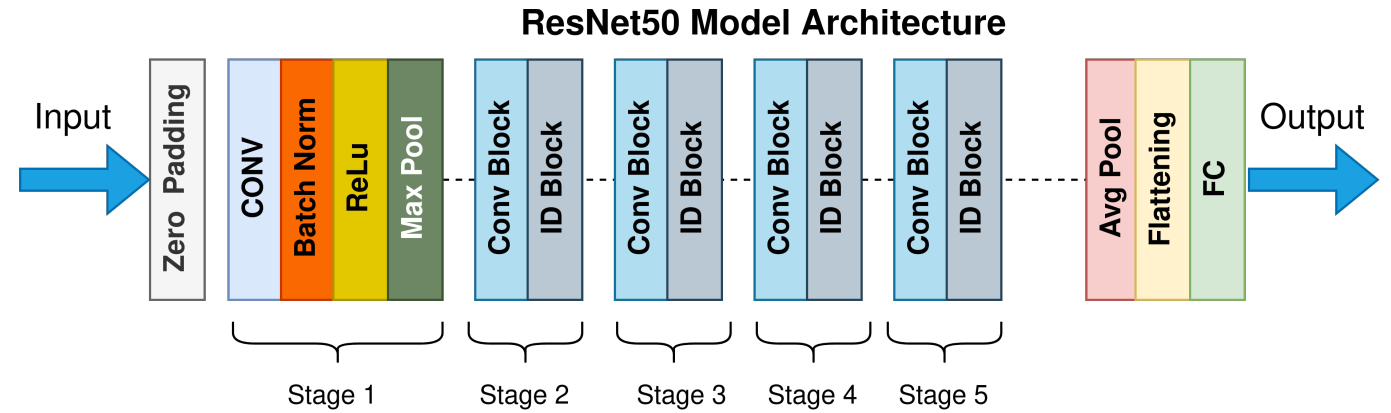


OUR SOLUTION

Use **embeddings** to get a sense
of typicality and style

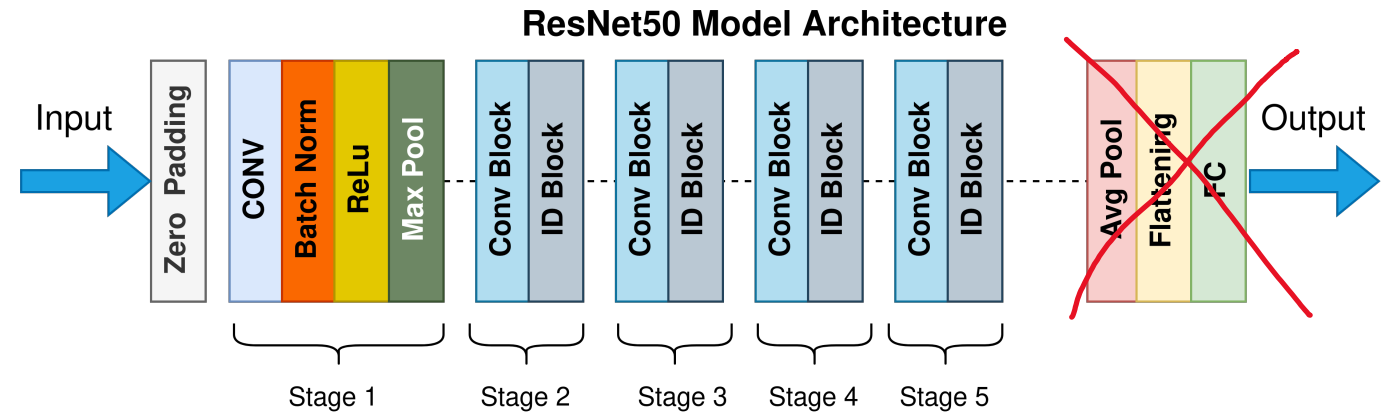
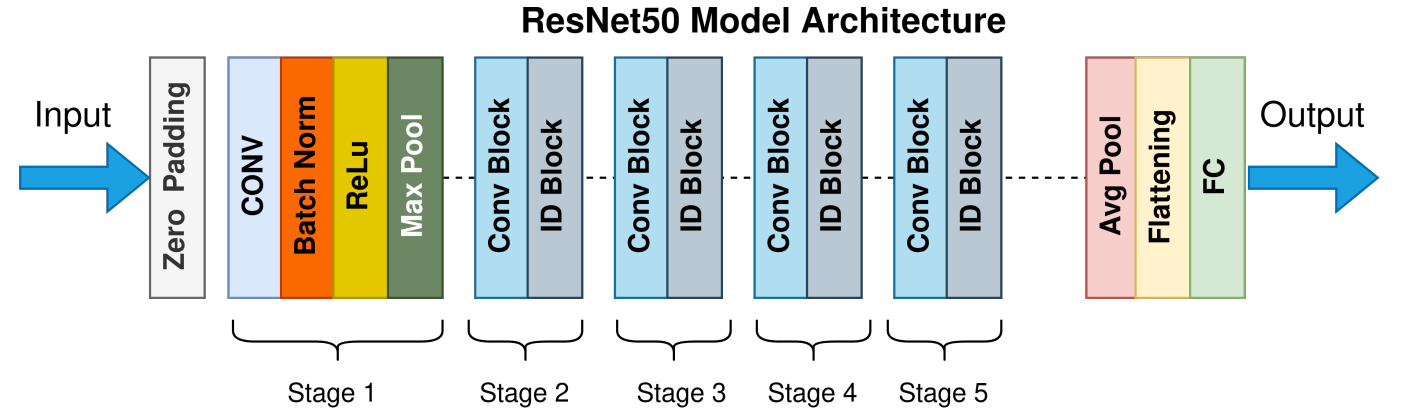
Visualize the data

1. Pass all the data through the network to obtain the embeddings



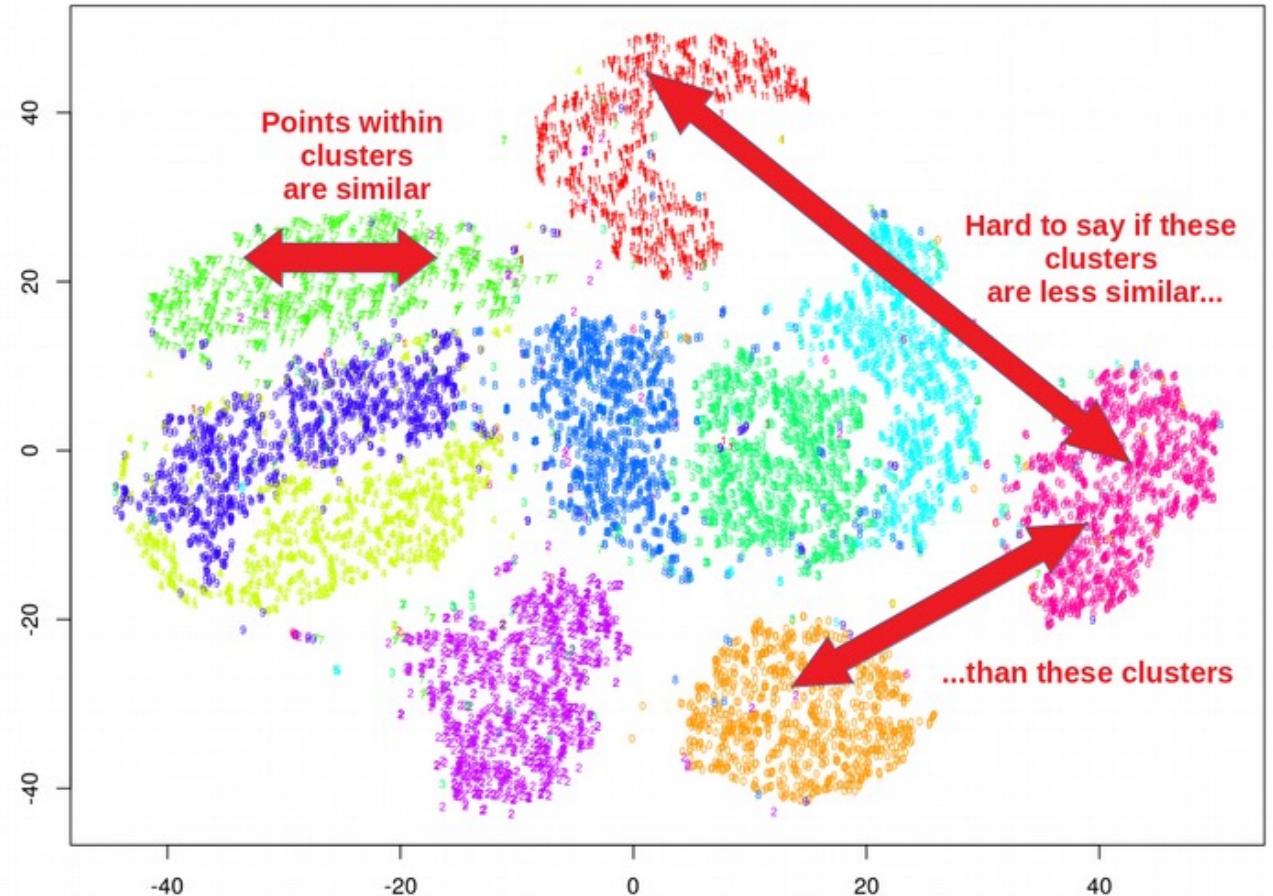
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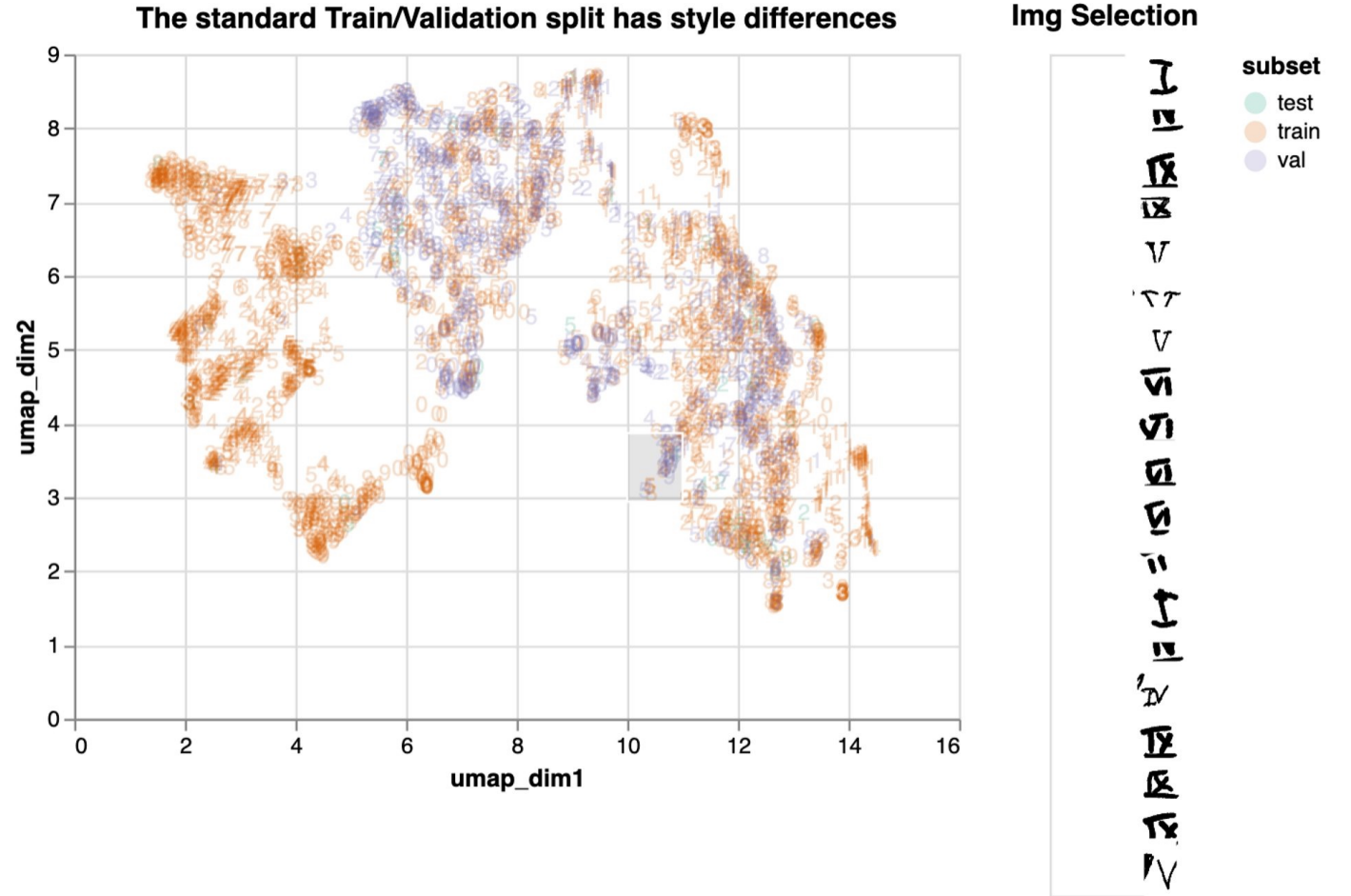
1. Pass all the data through the network to obtain the embeddings
2. Perform UMAP



Visualize the data

1. Pass all the data through the network to obtain the embeddings
2. Perform UMAP
3. Visualize using interactive library

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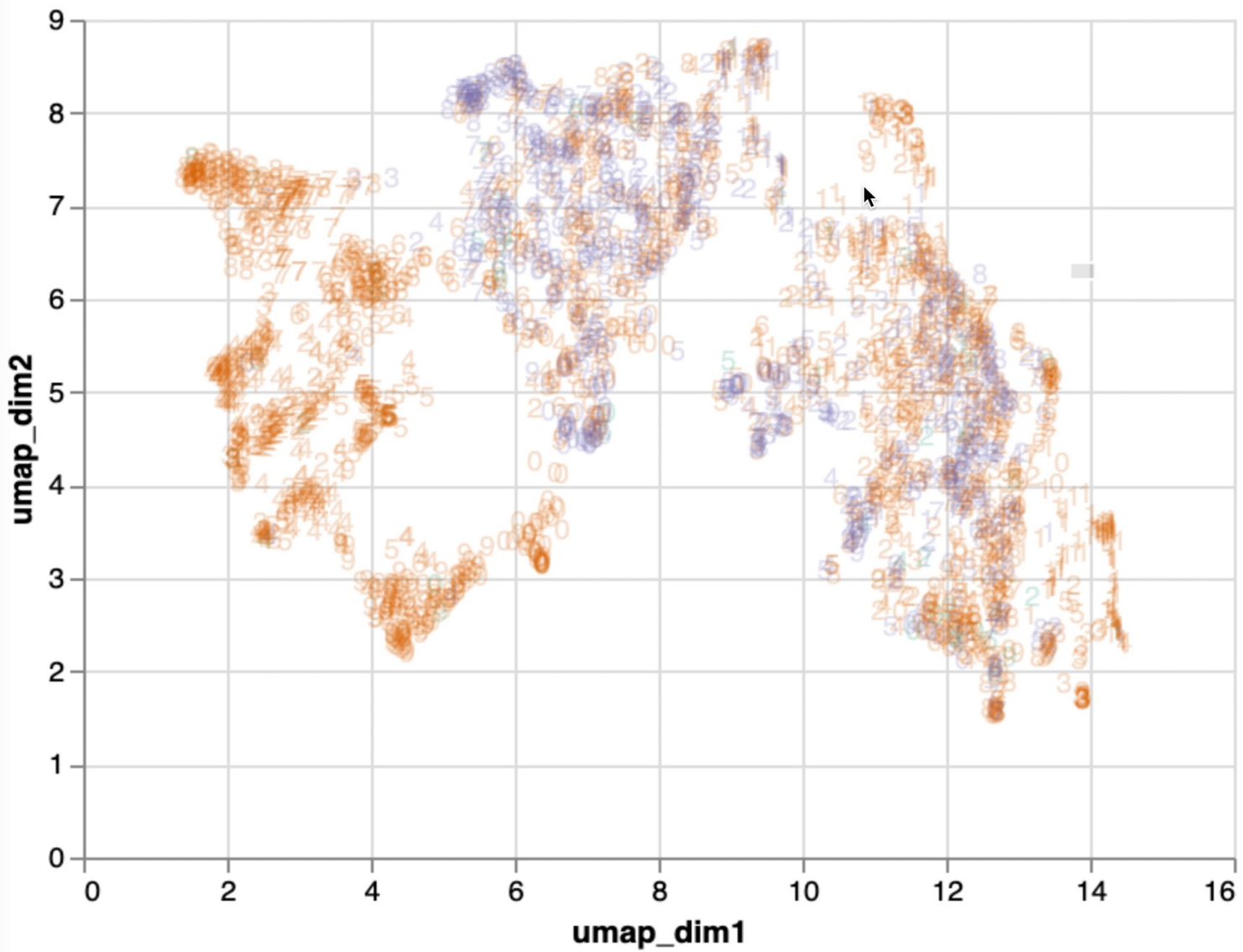
The standard Train/Validation split has style differences

Img Selection



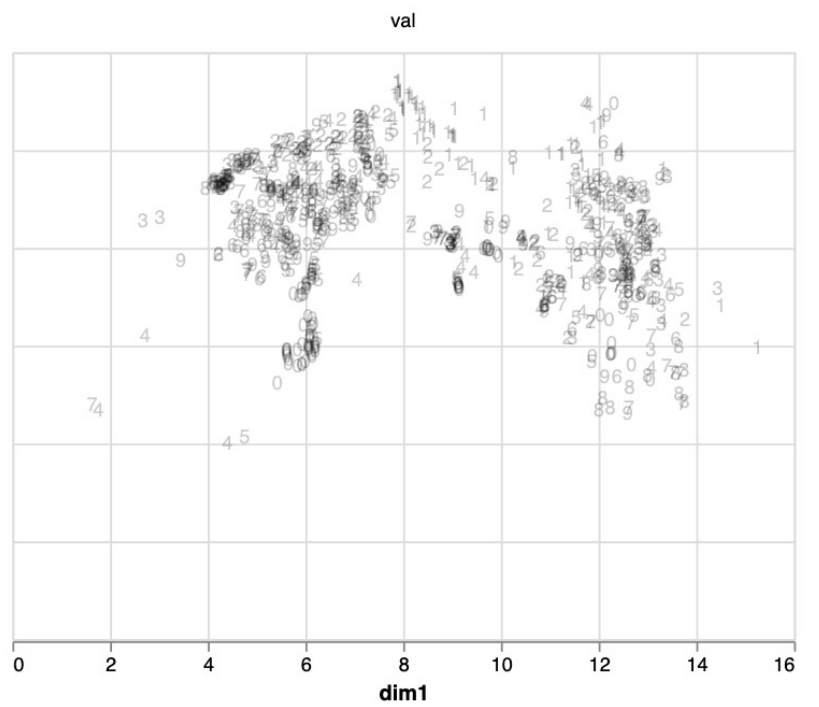
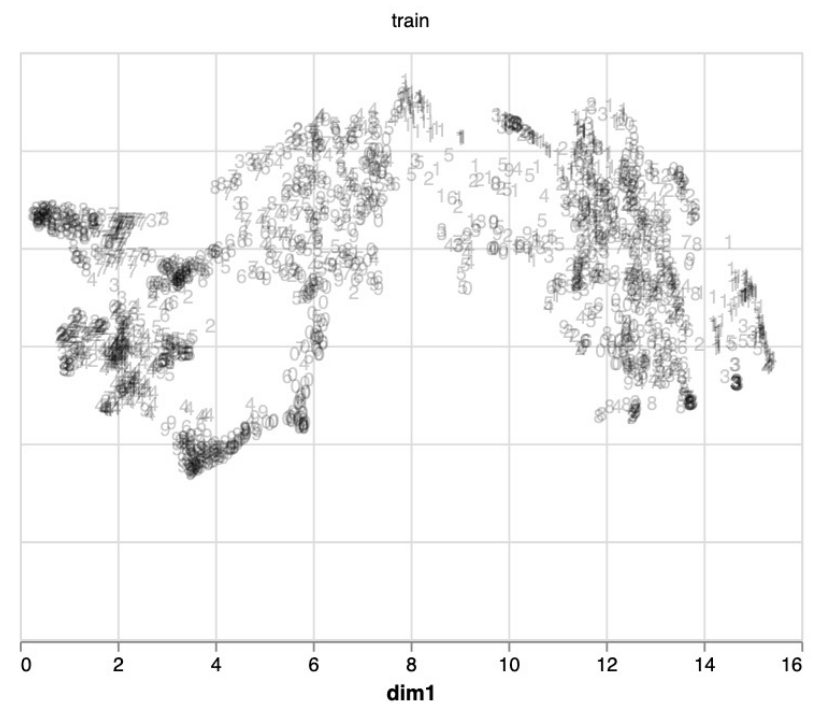
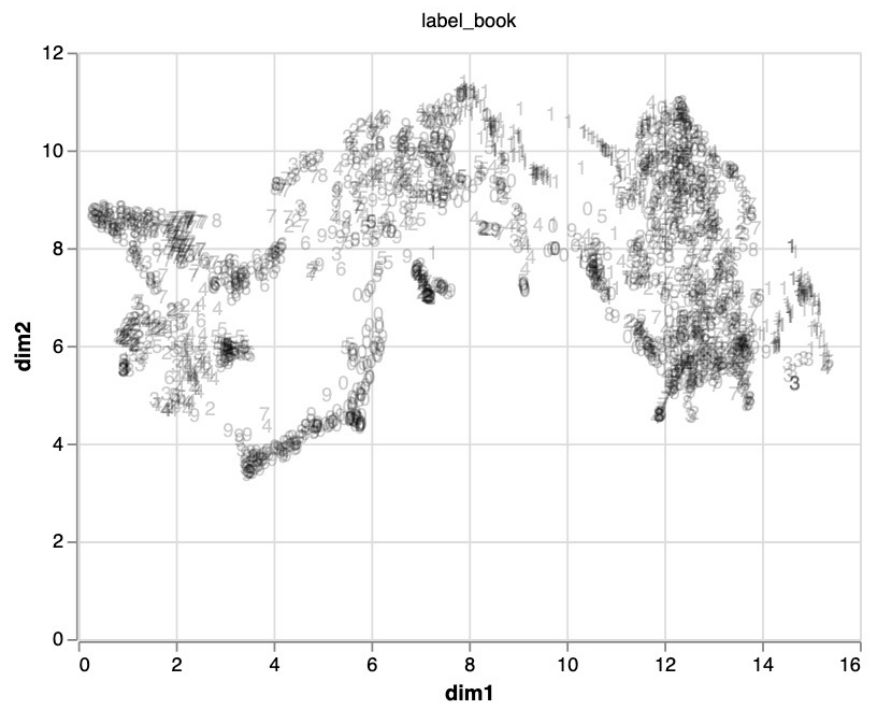
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- test
- train
- val



Label book / Train / Validation / style differences.

subset



LESSON TWO

Don't be afraid to **rebalance** the
train/test split

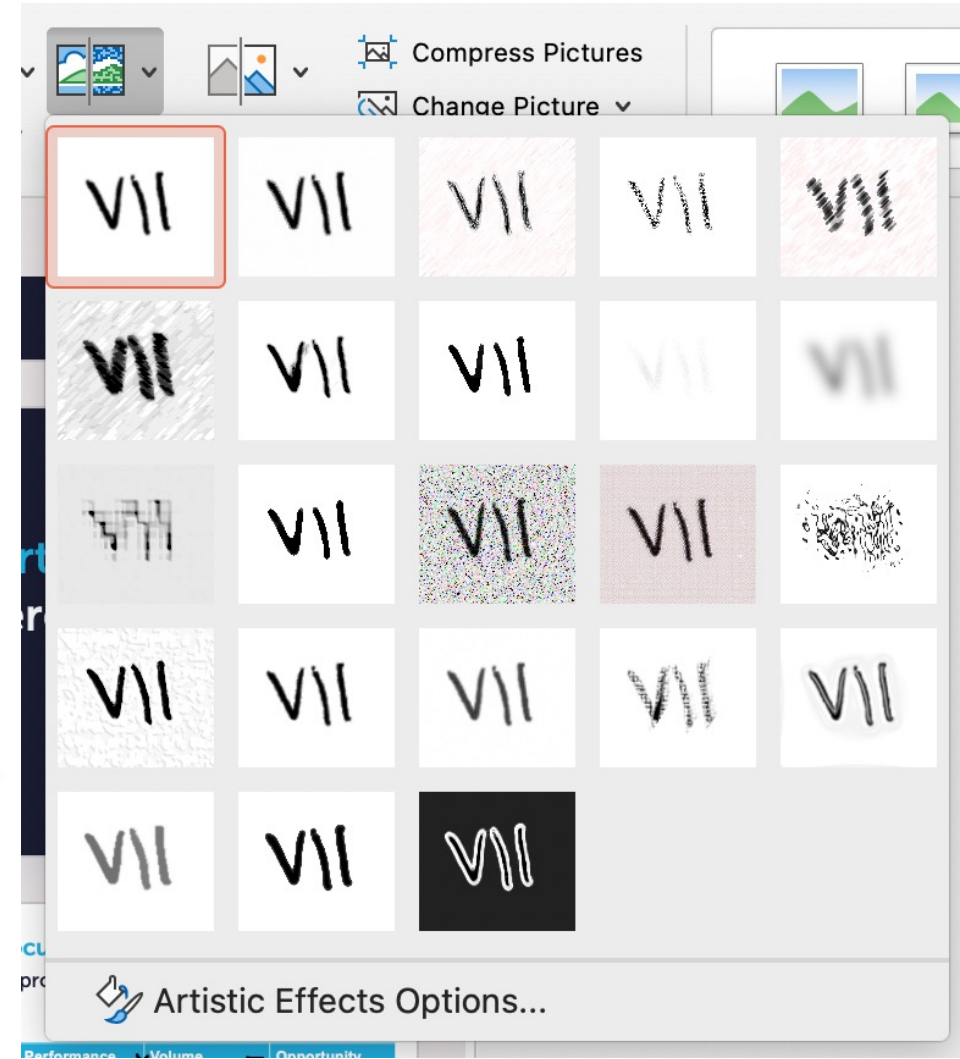
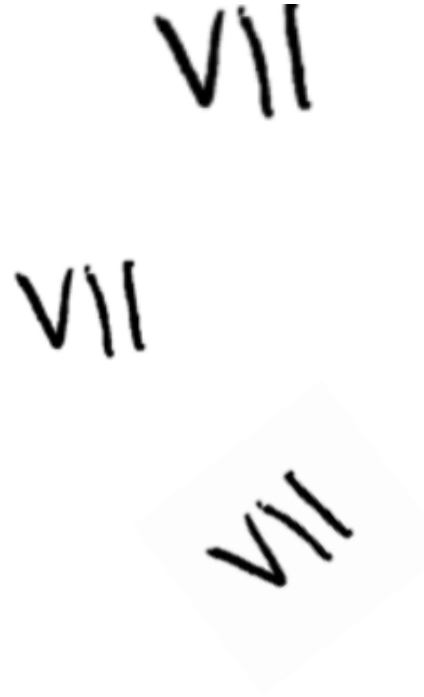
OUR SOLUTION

Use **data augmentation** to
enrich your dataset

Augment your dataset



Transform existing data points to create **augmented** versions



Augment your dataset



Transform existing data points to create augmented versions



Create counterfactuals

save

next

viii->iii

(412, 418)



Augment your dataset

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LESSON THREE

Make it easy to **quickly iterate** over
datasets

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WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT

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Winner Announcement

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Roy



Shashank
Deshpande



Chris
Anderson



Rob
Walsh

Synaptic-AnN



Asfandyar
Azhar



Nidhish
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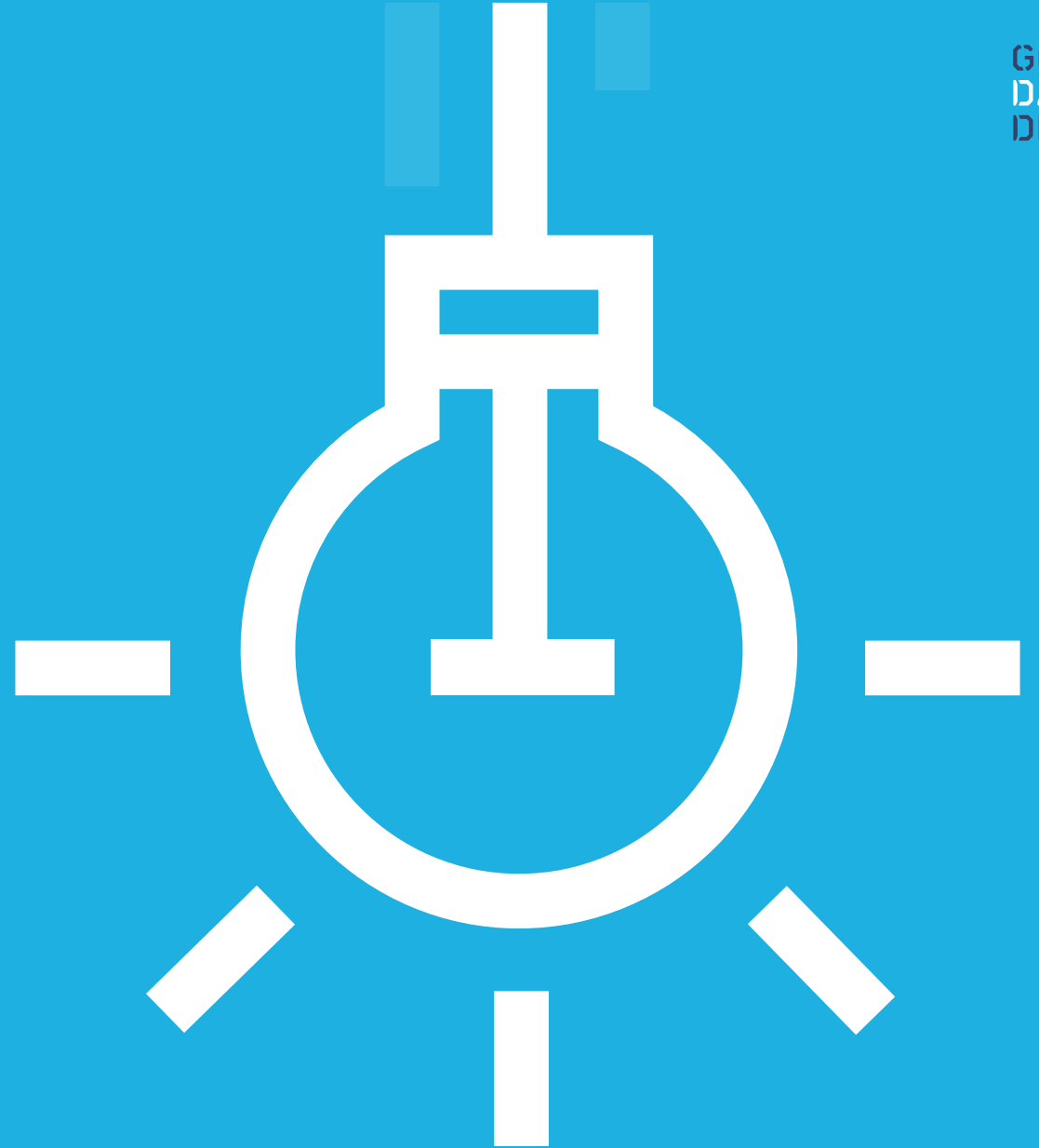
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DCAI competition

What did others do?



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Best performance

1. Manual data cleaning
2. Manual data generation
3. Auto data generation
4. Distribution and style replication
5. Filtering by vote

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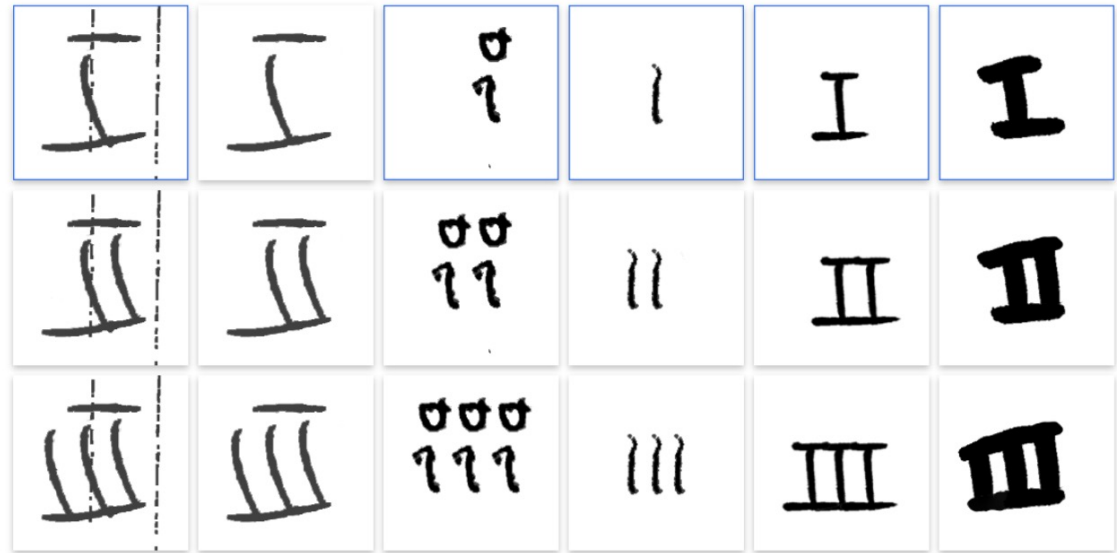


Figure 2: Style replication applied on class I of the label book — images bordered in blue are the original label book images.



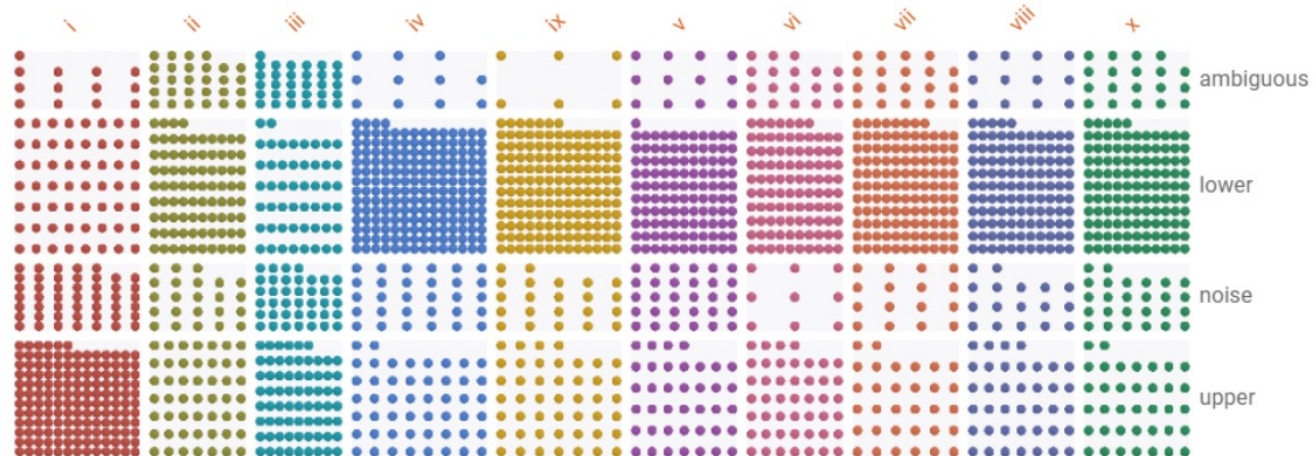
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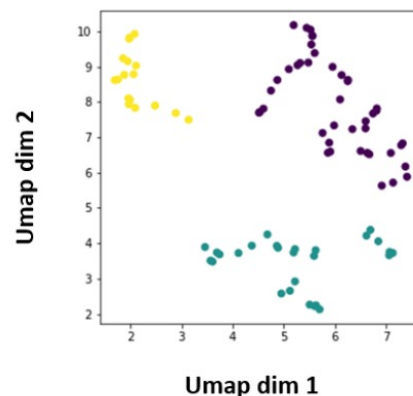
Best performance

1. Data **cleaning**
2. Rebalancing **train & test** dataset
3. Rebalancing **subclasses** using **embeddings**
4. Rebalancing **edge cases** with hard examples

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Imbalance between lower and uppercase numerals
(Innotescus chart)



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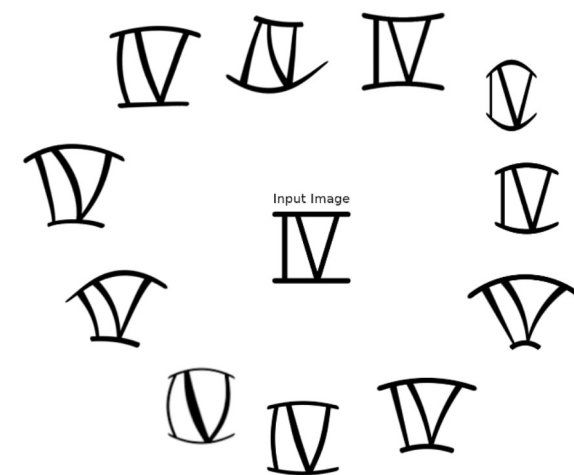
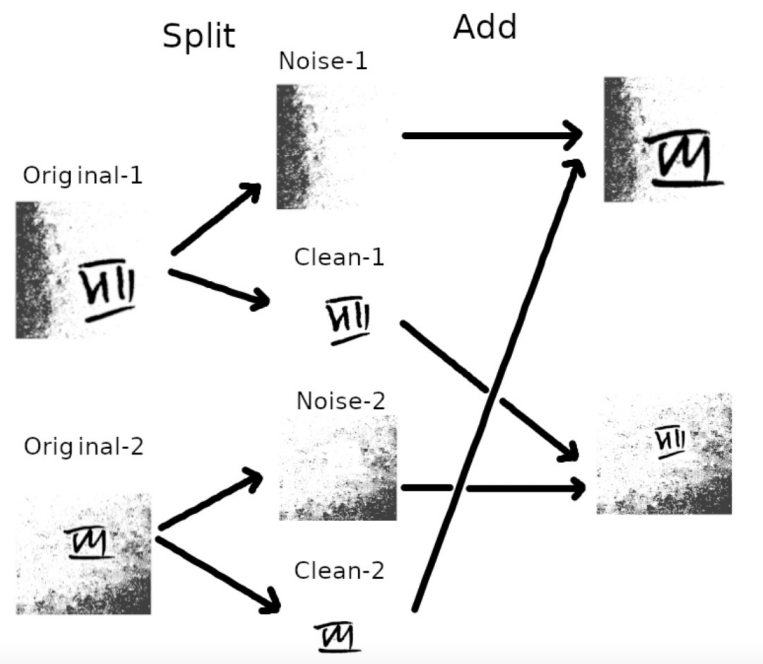
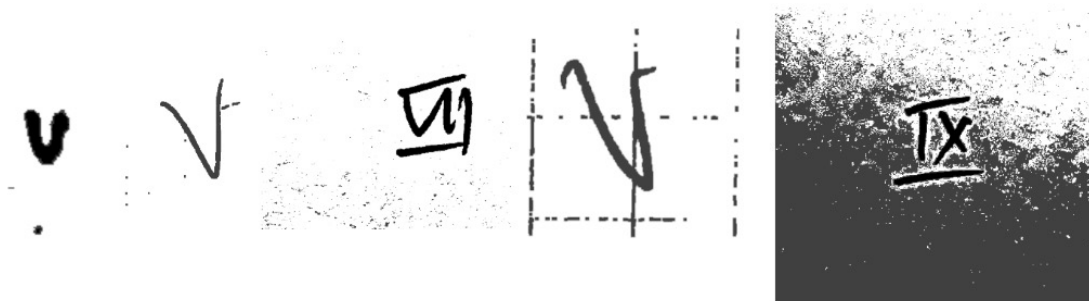
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Divakar Roy

Best performance

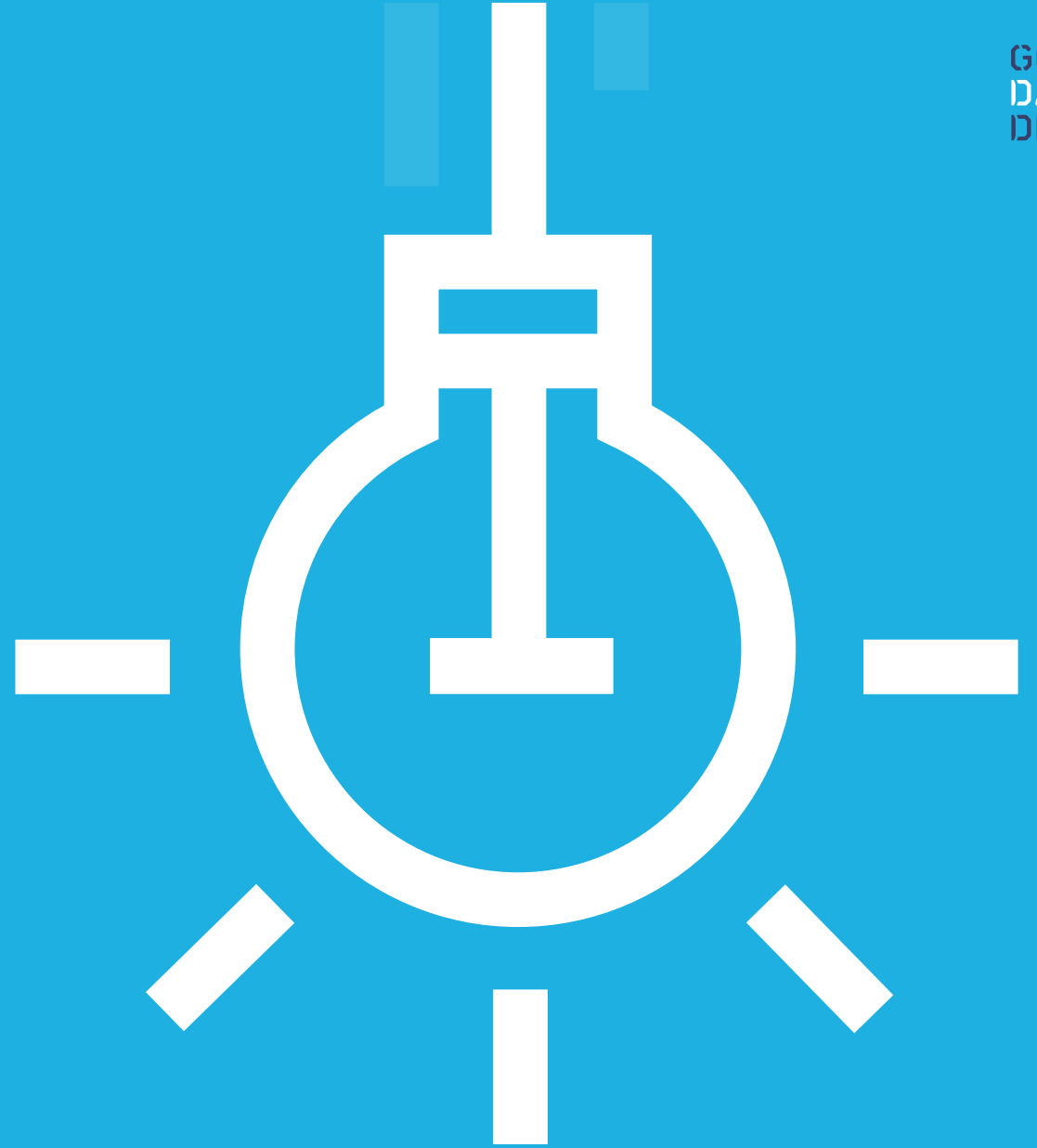
1. Separate noise
2. Camera distortion onto skewed grid
3. Overlay into canvas
4. Data quality assessment and cleaning up

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The *why* of Data-Centric AI

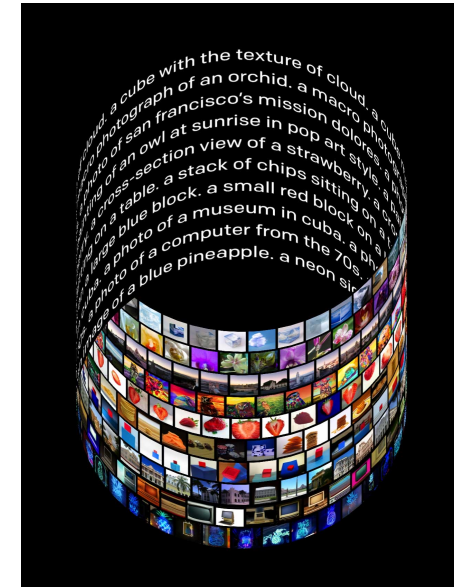
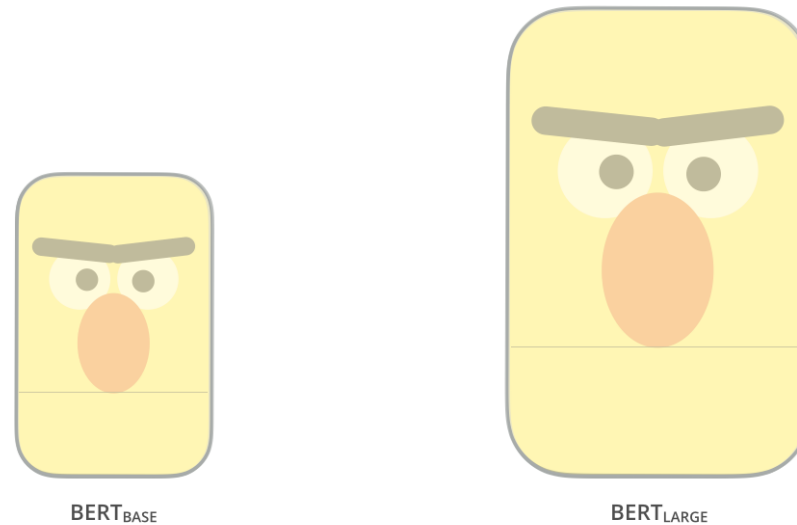
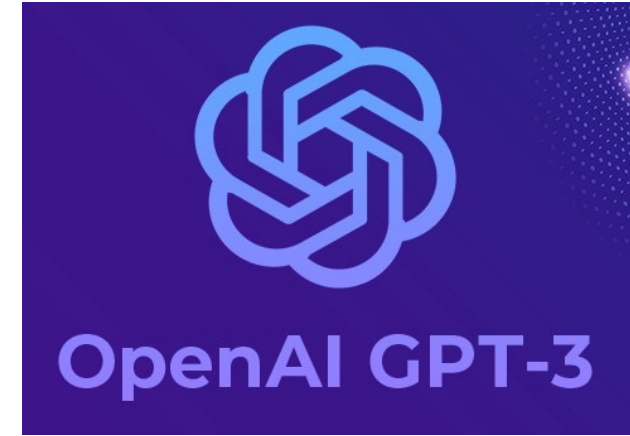
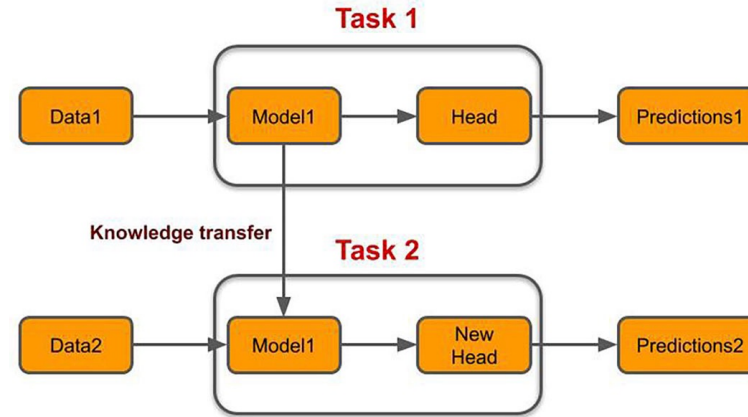


The *why* of data-centric AI

🧱 Foundation models & transfer learning


The competitive advantage of data scientists lies in everything that *surrounds* the model.

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The *why* of data-centric AI

 Foundation models & transfer learning

 Improve performance

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Improving the code vs. the data

	Steel defect detection	Solar panel	Surface inspection
Baseline	76.2%	75.68%	85.05%
Model-centric	+0% (76.2%)	+0.04% (75.72%)	+0.00% (85.05%)
Data-centric	+16.9% (93.1%)	+3.06% (78.74%)	+0.4% (85.45%)

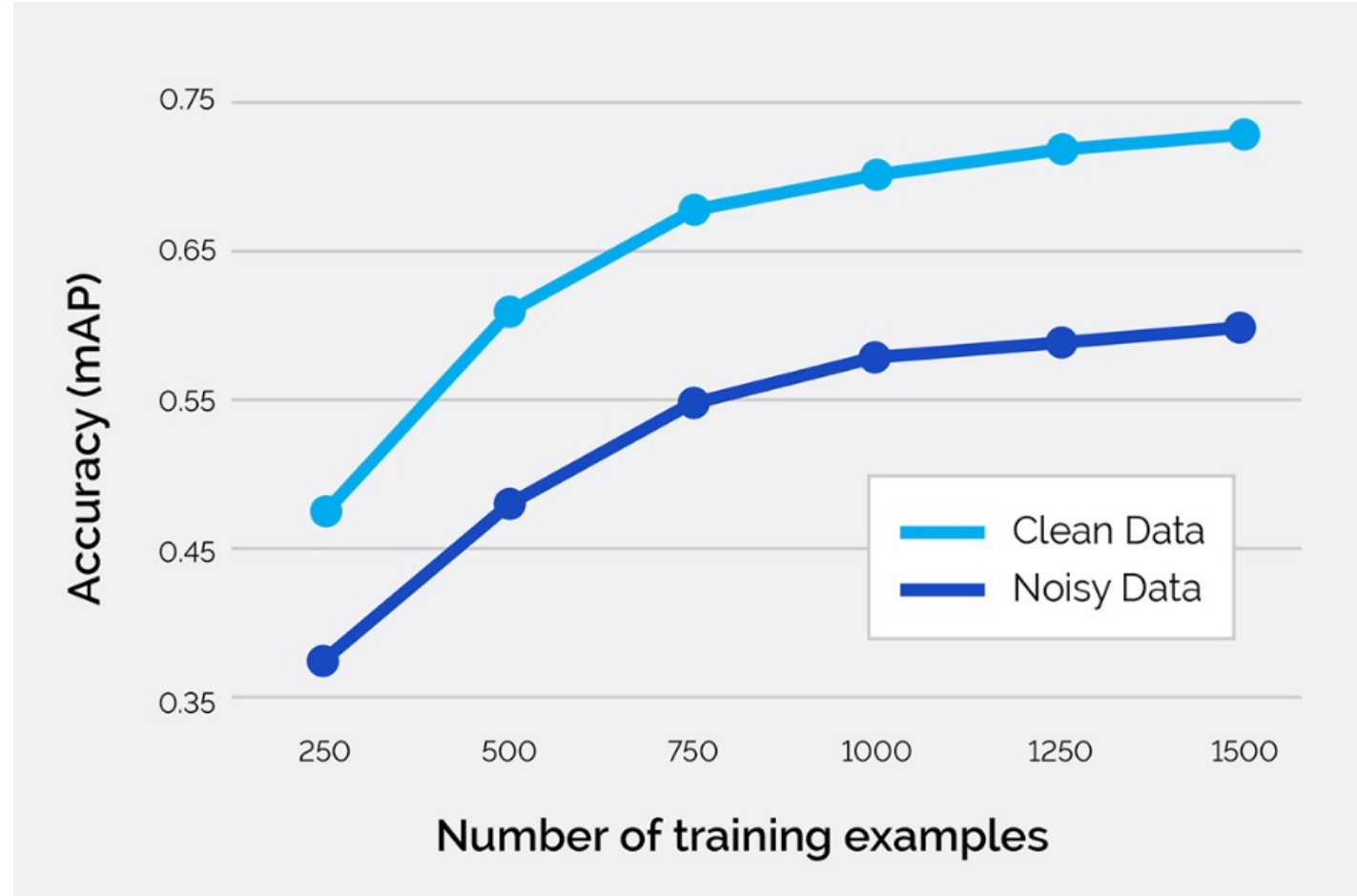
Credit:

Andrew Ng, MLOps: From Model-centric to Data-centric AI

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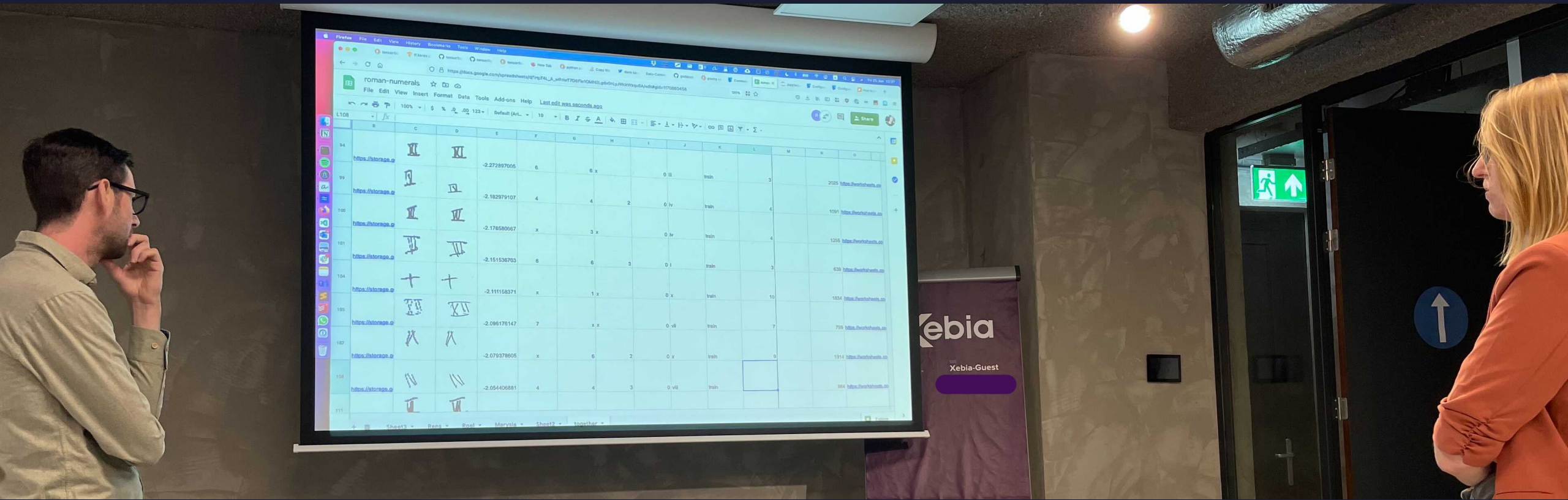
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Big data problems can also small data problems

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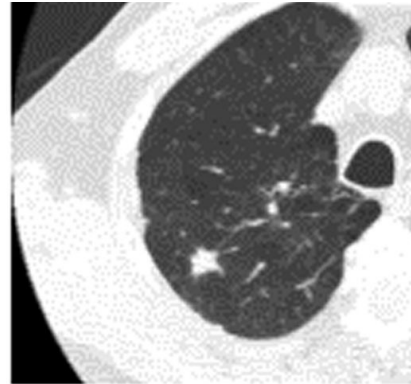


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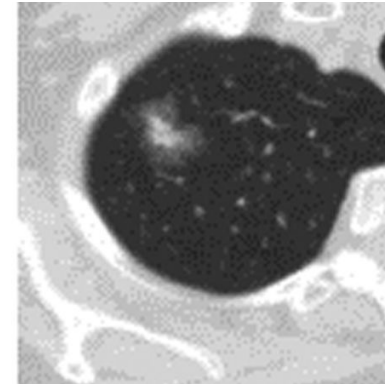
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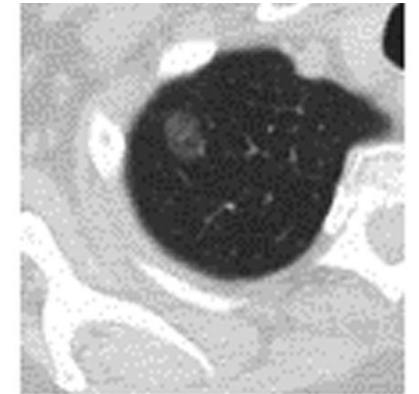
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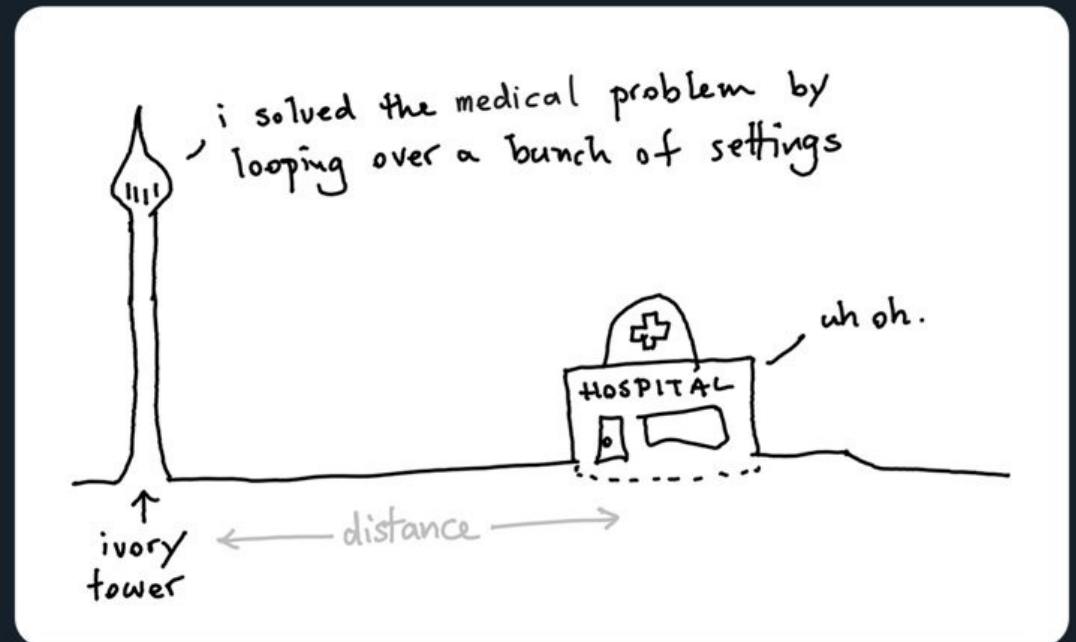
Andrew Ng @AndrewYNg · Sep 22
I would love your thoughts on this: Data-centric AI is still an emerging field, but what do you think are the key pillars of data-centric AI? E.g., if you were reading a textbook on this nascent field, what are some major topics you'd like the book to include?

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Rens Dimmendaal @R_Dimm · Sep 28
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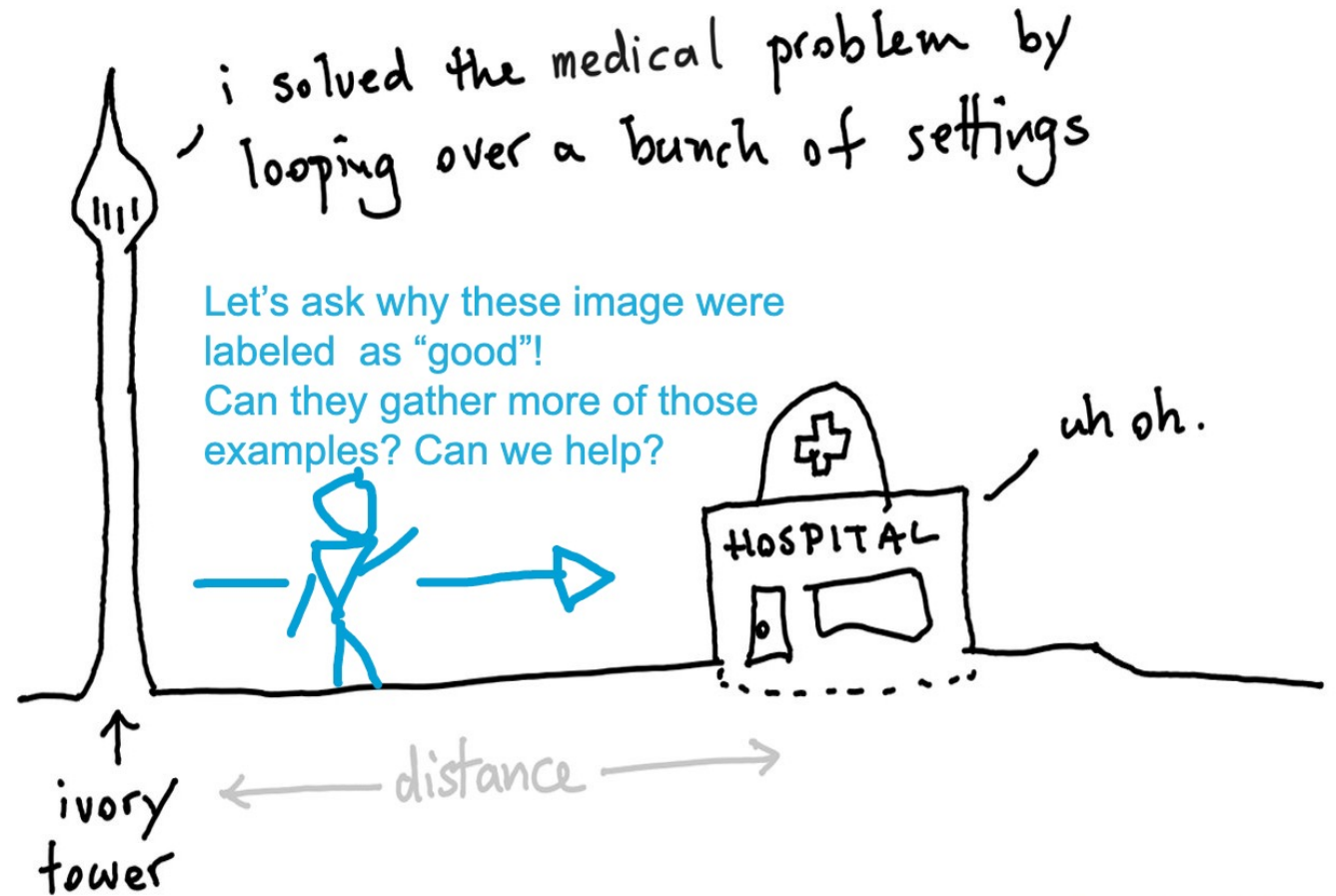
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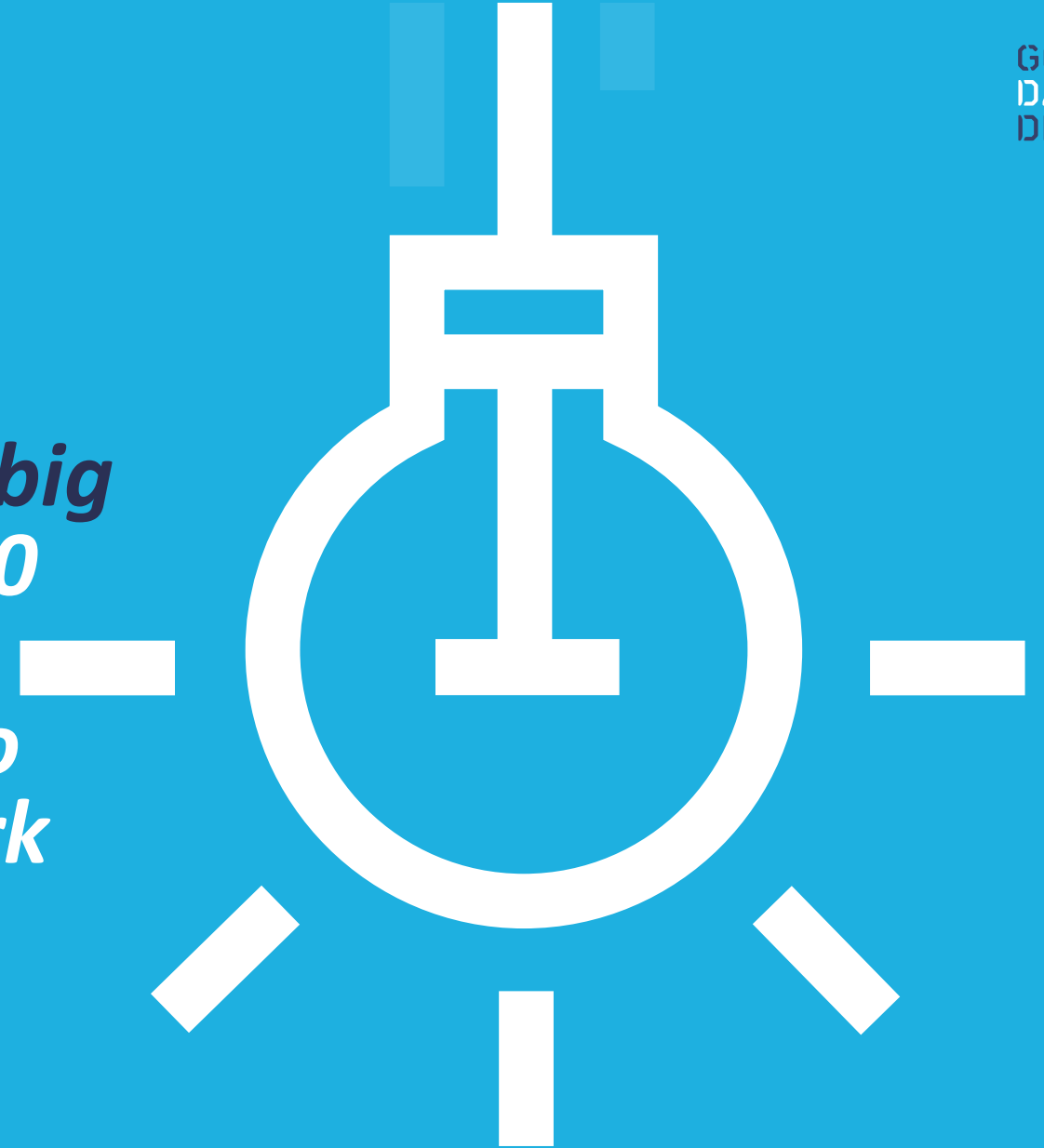
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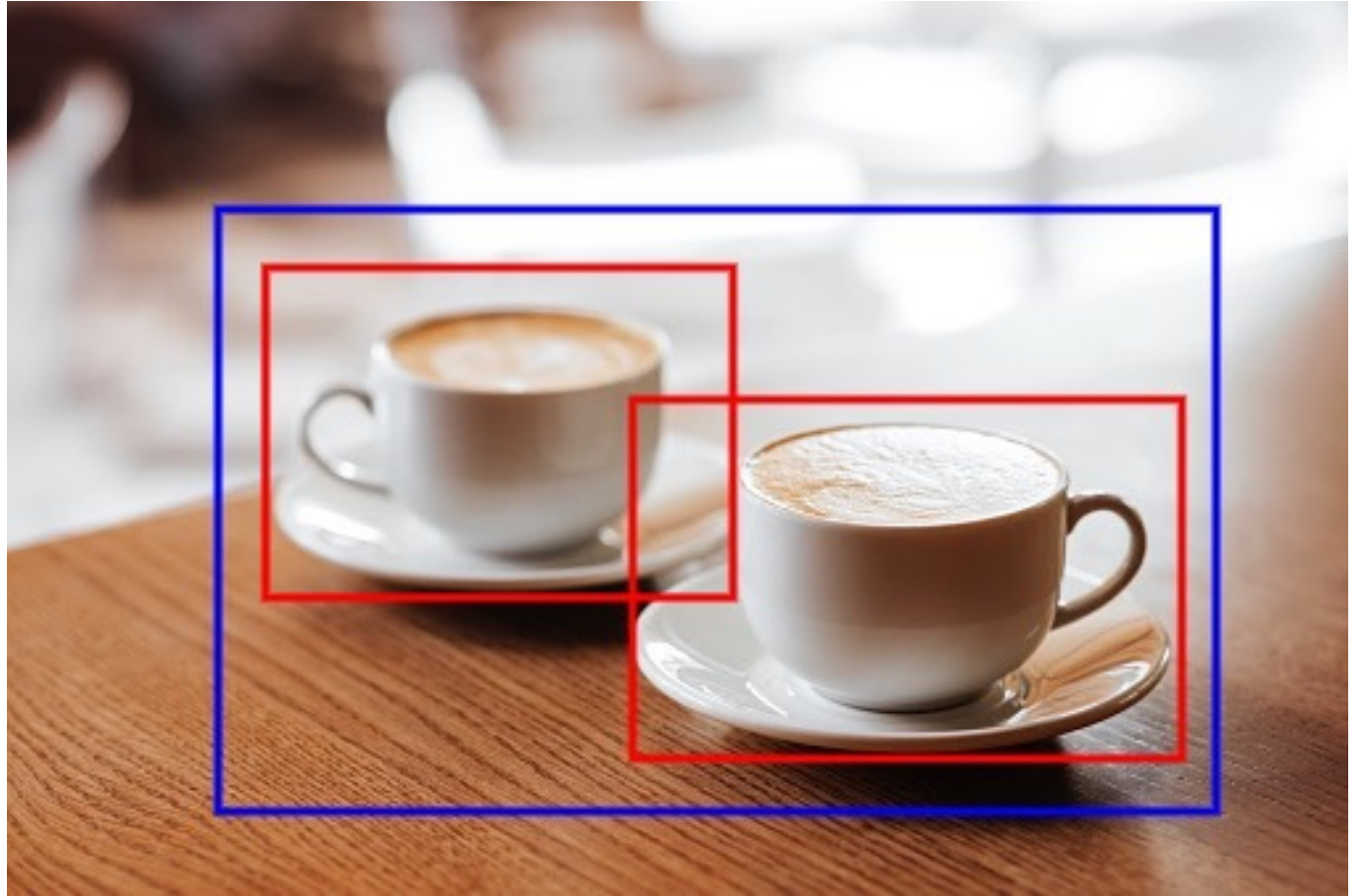
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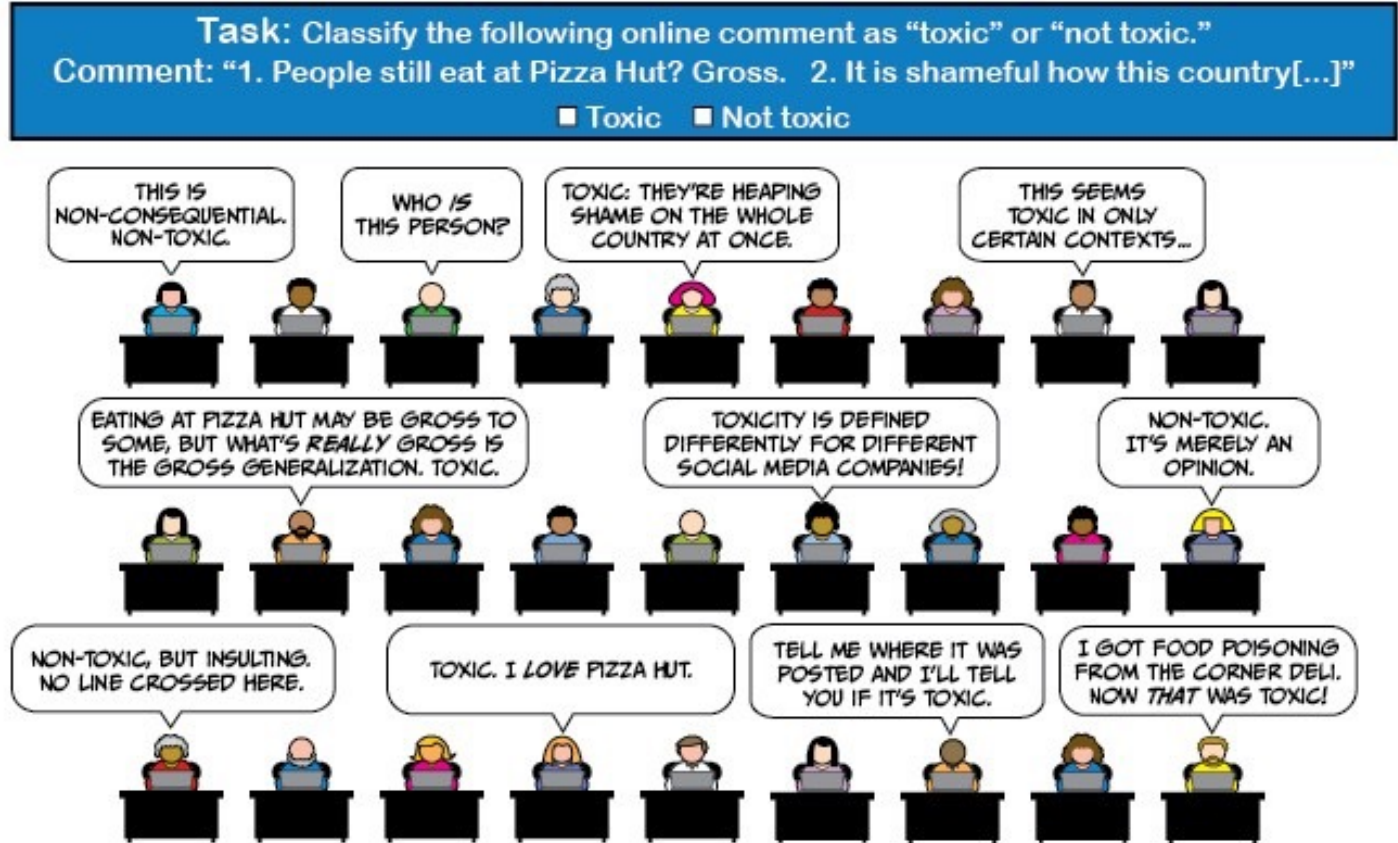
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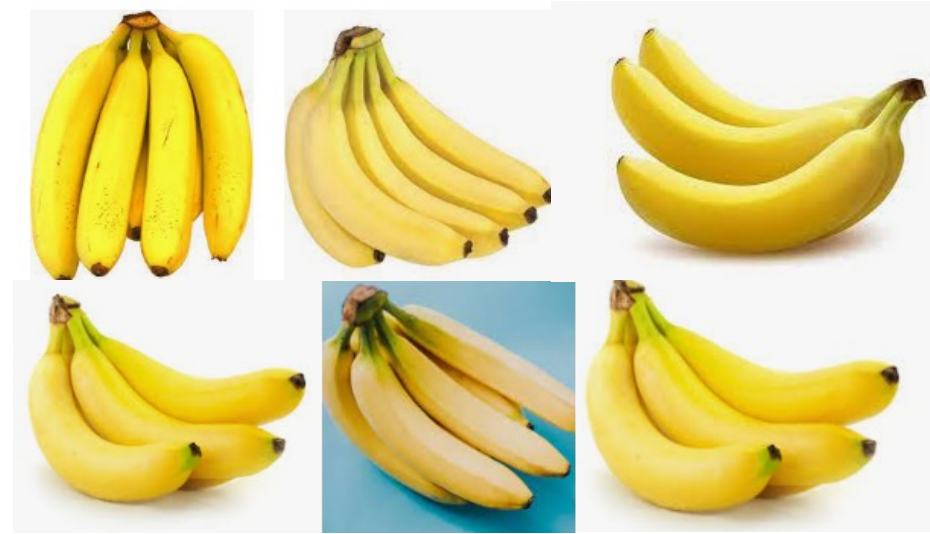
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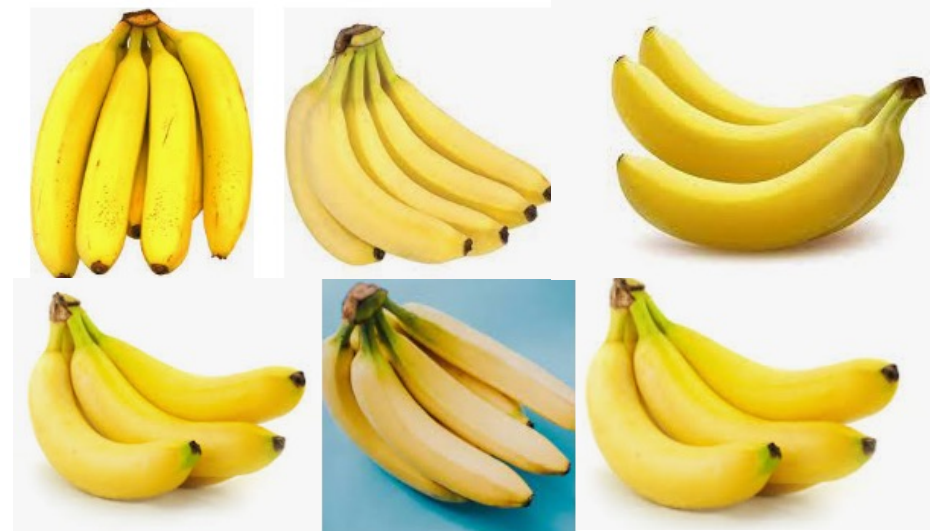
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Real world example



Data quality

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- Complete and representative data
- Unbiased data

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from transformers import pipeline
```

```
unmasker = pipeline("fill-mask", model="bert-base-uncased")  
result = unmasker("This man works as a [MASK].")  
print([r["token_str"] for r in result])
```

```
result = unmasker("This woman works as a [MASK].")  
print([r["token_str"] for r in result])
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['lawyer', 'carpenter', 'doctor', 'waiter', 'mechanic']  
['nurse', 'waitress', 'teacher', 'maid', 'prostitute']
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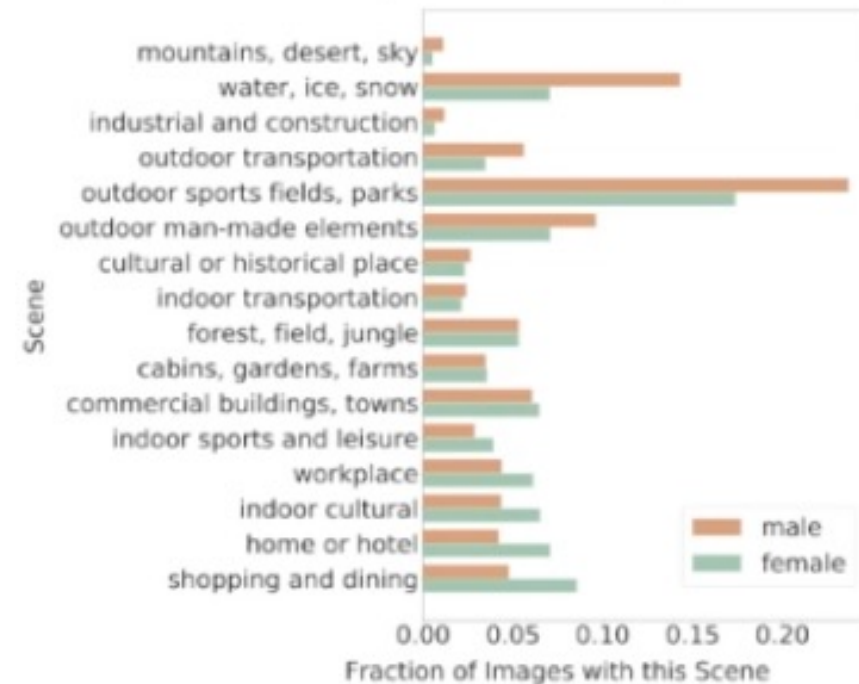
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ECCV 2020

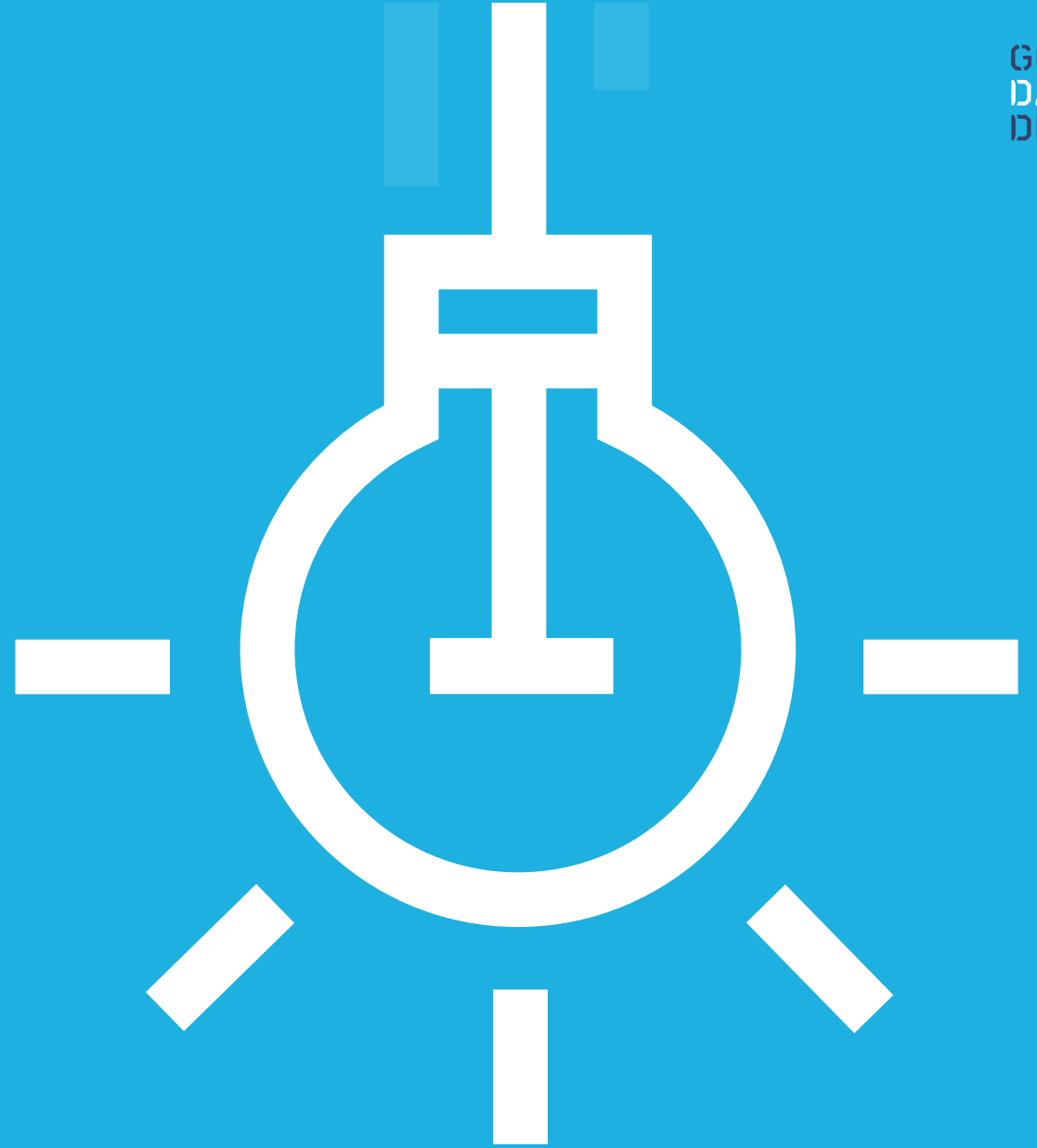
<https://github.com/princetonvisualai/revise-tool>

Images: COCO dataset [Lin et al. ECCV'14]

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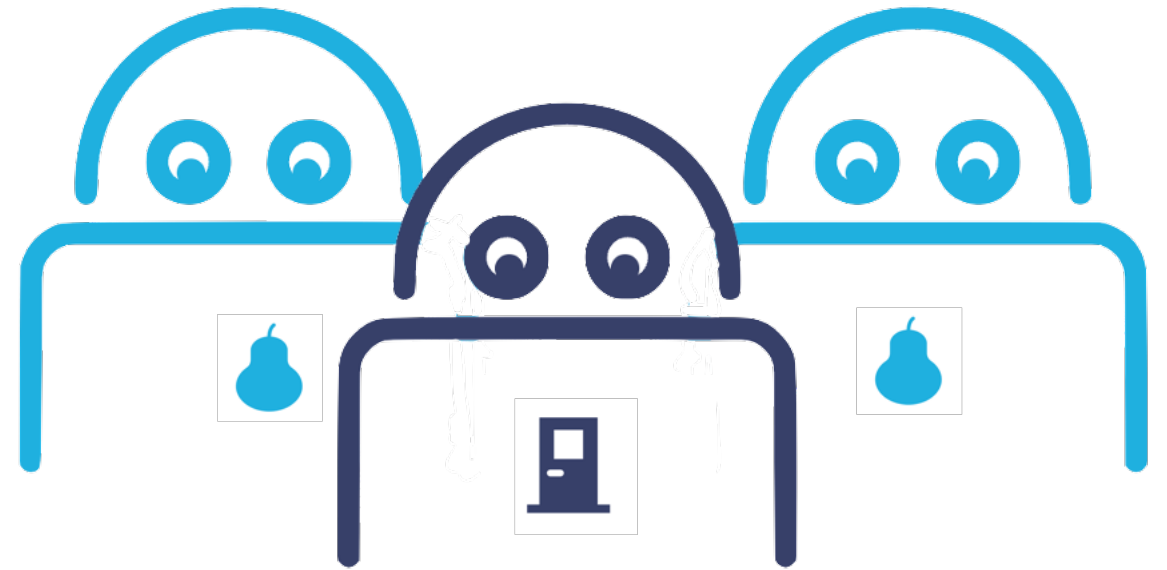


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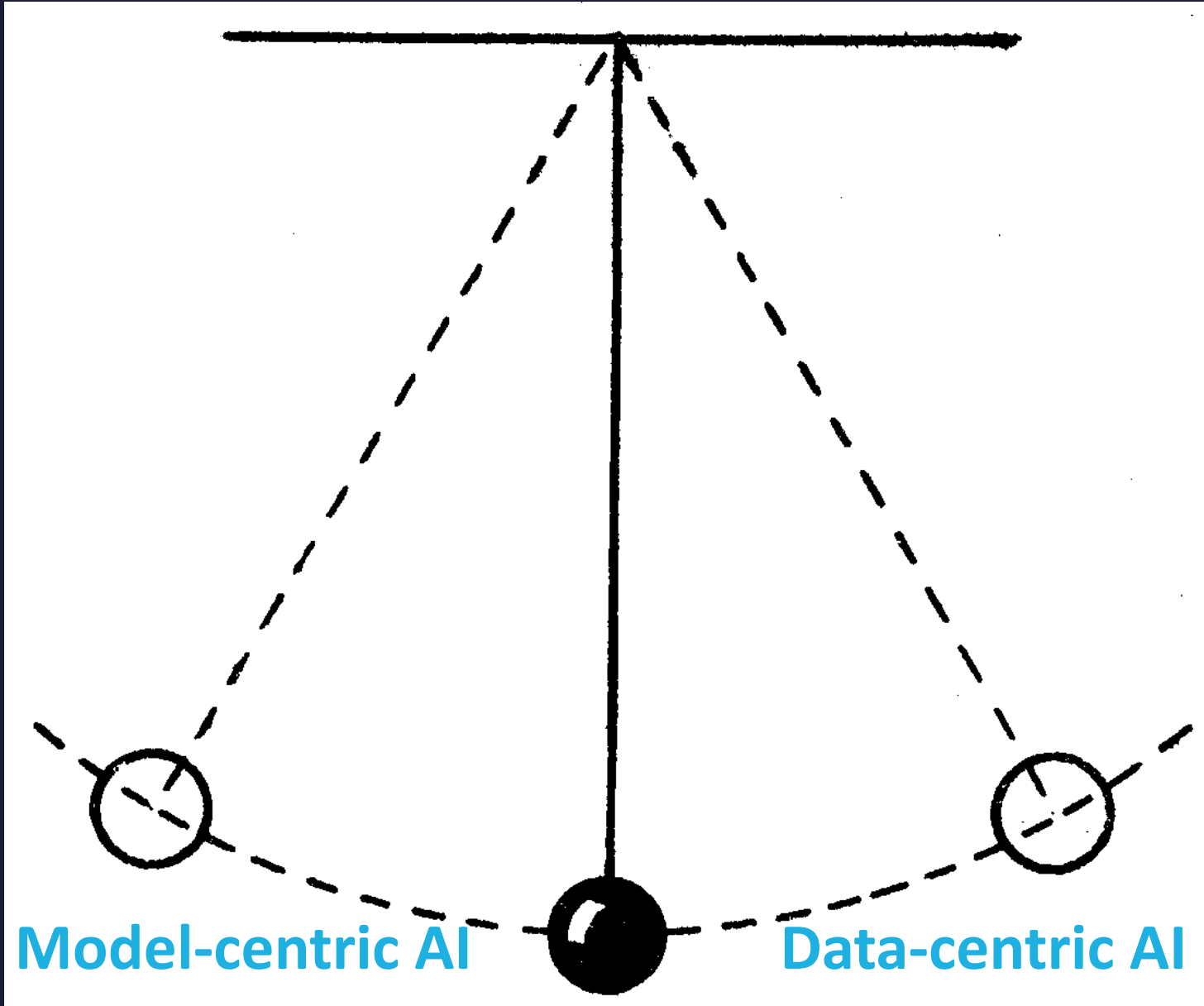
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“But I *like* building models!”



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