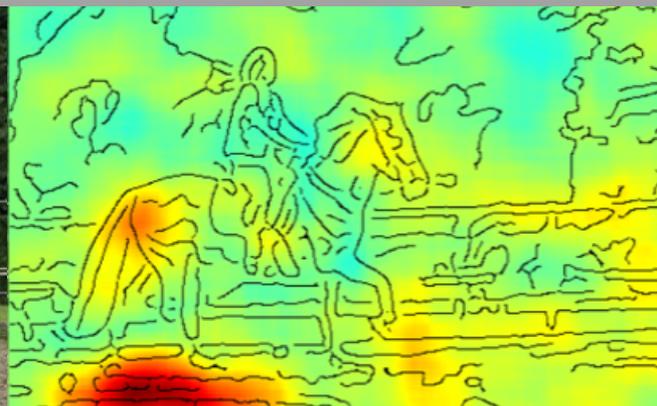
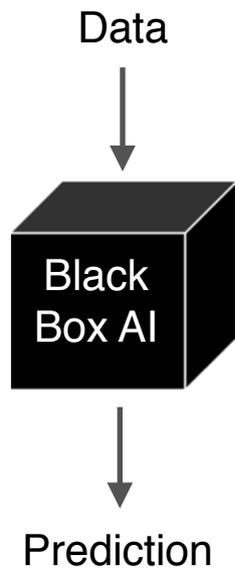


# How to make the Black Box of Neural Networks Transparent – The Path towards Explainable AI

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# Black Box AIs Achieve “Superhuman” Performances



Game GO



Traffic Sign Recognition



Skin cancer detection



Lung cancer detection



Poker



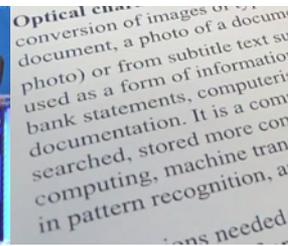
Computer games



Jeopardy



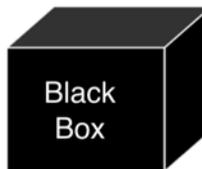
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# Disadvantages of a Black Box System

## TRUST

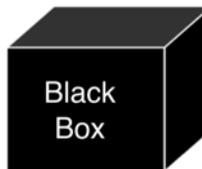
*Can we base important decisions on it?*



*“everything ok, no therapy needed”*

## SAFETY

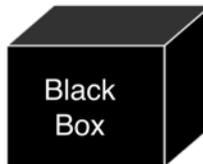
*Can we be sure that it resists manipulation?*



*“don’t stop, you have right of way”*

## FAIRNESS

*Can we be sure that it follows the rules?*



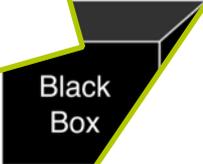
*“I am sorry, but you do not get this job”*

# Disadvantages of a Black Box System

## TRUST

Can we base important decisions on a black box system?

**Legal Implications**



*"everything ok, no therapy needed"*

## SAFETY

Can we rely on a black box system for safety-critical tasks?

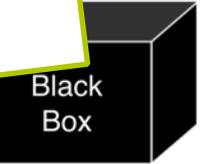
**Social Aspects**



## FAIRNESS

Can we ensure fairness in a black box system?

**No Insights**



*"I am sorry, but you do not get this job"*

**Acceptance of the Technology**

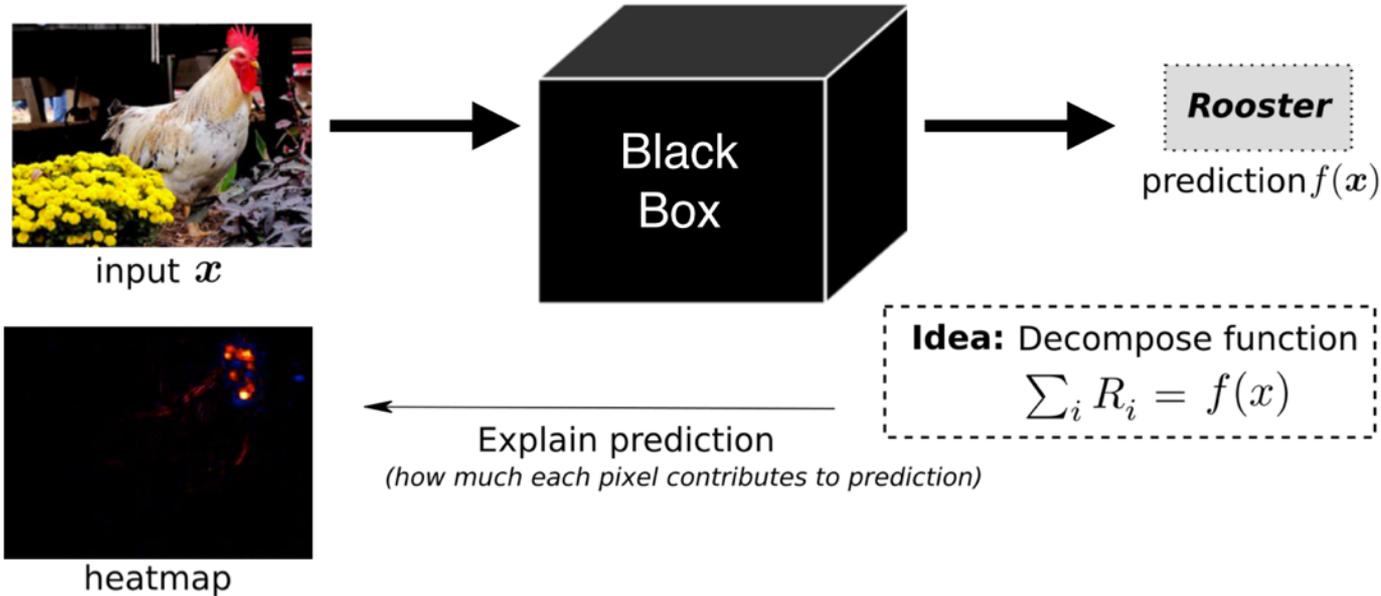
# “Right to Explanation”



## Recital 71 (Profiling)

“such processing [...] should include [...] the right to obtain an explanation of the decision reached after such assessment and to challenge the decision”

# The Path Towards Explainable AI



**Layer-wise Relevance Propagation** is a general approach to explain predictions of AI.  
Mathematical Interpretation: Deep Taylor Decomposition of the neural network.

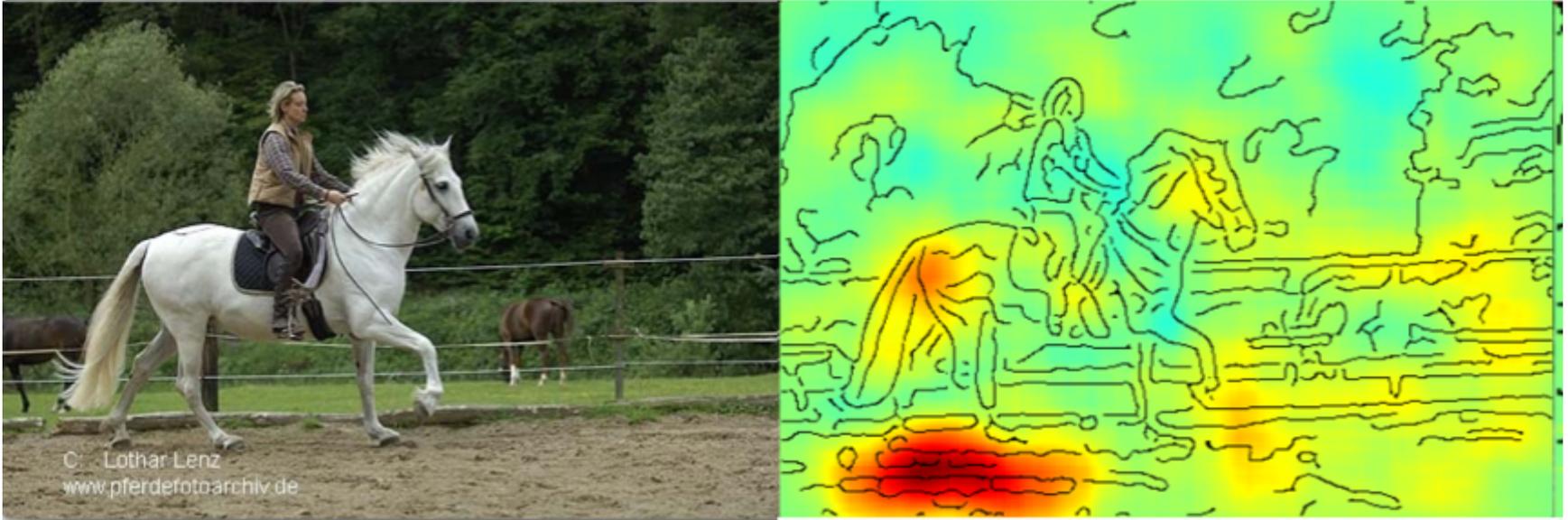
(Bach et al.,  
PLOS ONE, 2015)

# Two Examples from Our Research

# Pascal VOC Challenges 2005-2012

	aeroplane	bicycle	bird	boat	bottle	bus	car	cat	chair	cow	diningtable	dog	horse	motorbike	person	pottedplant	sheep	sofa	train	tvmonitor
INRIA_Flat	74.8	62.5	51.2	69.4	29.2	60.4	76.3	57.6	53.1	41.1	54.0	42.8	76.5	62.3	84.5	35.3	41.3	50.1	77.6	49.3
INRIA_Genetic	<b>77.5</b>	<b>63.6</b>	<b>56.1</b>	<b>71.9</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>60.6</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>58.8</b>	<b>53.5</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>54.9</b>	<b>45.8</b>	<b>77.5</b>	<b>64.0</b>	<b>85.9</b>	<b>36.3</b>	<b>44.7</b>	50.6	<b>79.2</b>	<b>53.2</b>
INRIA_Larlus	62.6	54.0	32.8	47.5	17.8	46.4	69.6	44.2	44.6	26.0	38.1	34.0	66.0	55.1	77.2	13.1	29.1	36.7	62.7	43.3
MPI_BOW	58.9	46.0	31.3	59.0	16.9	40.5	67.2	40.2	44.3	28.3	31.9	34.4	63.6	53.5	75.7	22.3	26.6	35.4	60.6	40.6
PRIPUVA	48.6	20.9	21.3	17.2	6.4	14.2	45.0	31.4	27.4	12.3	14.3	23.7	30.1	13.3	62.0	10.0	12.4	13.3	26.7	26.2
QMUL_HSLS	70.6	54.8	35.7	64.5	27.8	51.1	71.4	54.0	46.6	36.6	34.4	39.9	71.5	55.4	80.6	15.8	35.8	41.5	73.1	45.5
QMUL_LSPCH	71.6	55.0	41.1	65.5	27.2	51.1	72.2	55.1	47.4	35.9	37.4	41.5	71.5	57.9	80.8	15.6	33.3	41.9	76.5	45.9
TKK	71.4	51.7	48.5	63.4	27.3	49.9	70.1	51.2	51.7	32.3	46.3	41.5	72.6	60.2	82.2	31.7	30.1	39.2	71.1	41.0
ToshCam_rdf	59.9	36.8	29.9	40.0	23.6	33.3	60.2	33.0	41.0	17.8	33.2	33.7	63.9	53.1	77.9	29.0	27.3	31.2	50.1	37.6
ToshCam_svm	54.0	27.1	30.3	35.6	17.0	22.3	58.0	34.6	38.0	19.0	27.5	32.4	48.0	40.7	78.1	23.4	21.8	28.0	45.5	31.8
Tsinghua	62.9	42.4	33.9	49.7	23.7	40.7	62.0	35.2	42.7	21.0	38.9	34.7	65.0	48.1	76.9	16.9	30.8	32.8	58.9	33.1
UVA_Bigrams	61.2	33.2	29.4	45.0	16.5	37.6	54.6	31.3	39.9	17.2	31.4	30.6	61.6	42.4	74.6	14.5	20.9	23.5	49.9	30.0
UVA_FuseAll	67.1	48.1	43.3	58.1	19.9	46.3	61.8	41.9	48.4	27.8	41.9	38.5	69.8	51.4	79.4	32.5	31.9	36.0	66.2	40.3
UVA_MCIP	66.5	47.9	41.0	58.0	16.8	44.0	61.2	40.5	48.5	27.8	41.7	37.1	66.4	50.1	78.6	31.2	32.3	31.9	66.6	40.3
UVA_SFS	66.3	49.7	43.5	60.7	18.8	44.9	64.8	41.9	46.8	24.9	42.3	33.9	71.5	53.4	80.4	29.7	31.2	31.8	67.4	43.5
UVA_WGT	59.7	33.7	34.9	44.5	22.2	32.9	55.9	36.3	36.8	20.6	25.2	34.7	65.1	40.1	74.2	26.4	26.9	25.1	50.7	29.7
XRCE	72.3	57.5	53.2	68.9	28.5	57.5	75.4	50.3	52.2	39.0	46.8	45.3	75.7	58.5	84.0	32.6	39.7	<b>50.9</b>	75.1	49.5

# Pascal VOC Challenges 2005-2012



(Lapuschkin et al.,  
IEEE CVPR, 2016)

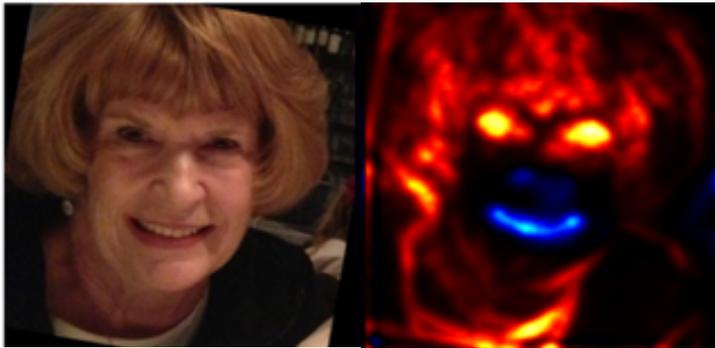
# Age & Gender Prediction (2017)



## Predictions

25-32 years old

*“Laughing speaks for prediction 25-23 years”*



60+ years old

*“Laughing speaks against prediction 60+ years”*

*(Lapuschkin et al.,  
IEEE ICCVW, 2017)*

# Questions ???

**All our papers available on:**

<http://iphome.hhi.de/samek>

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