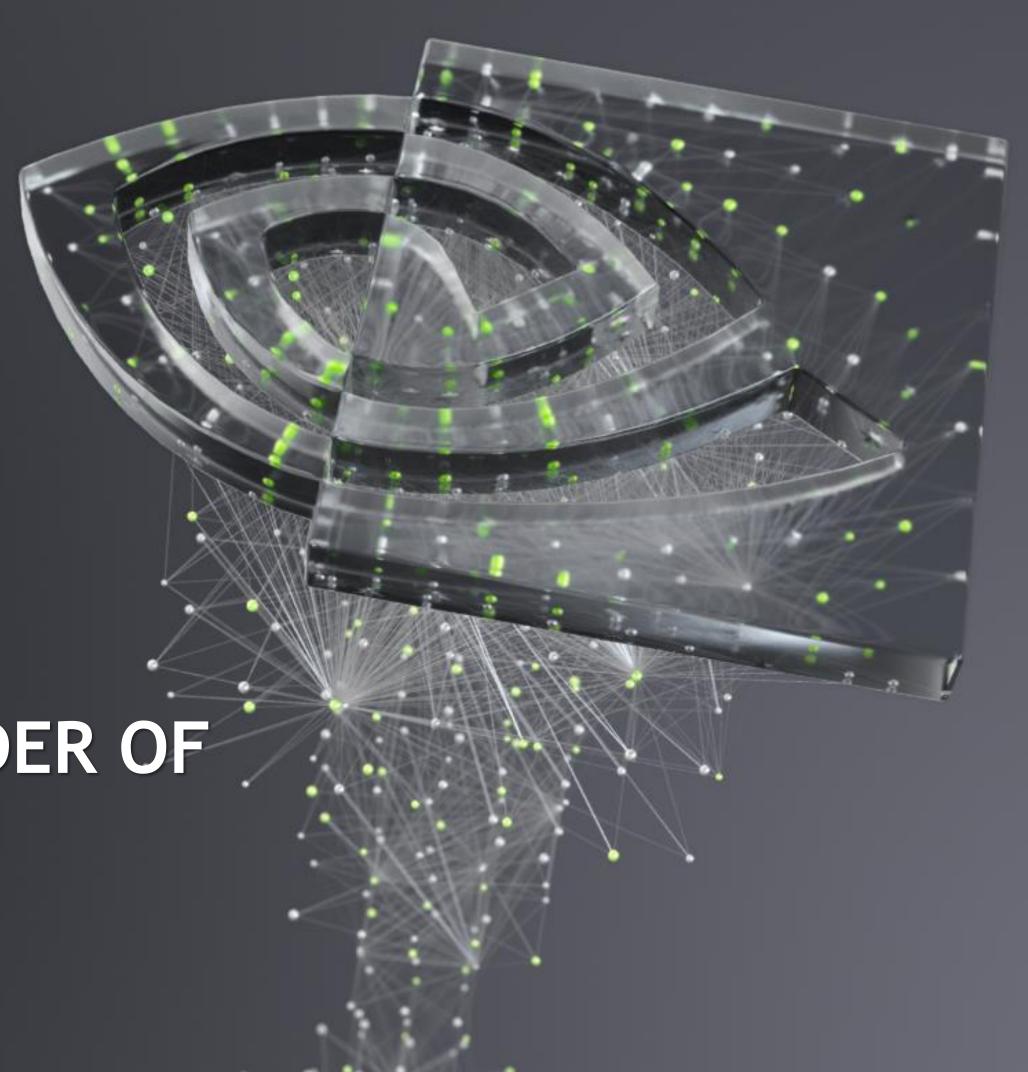
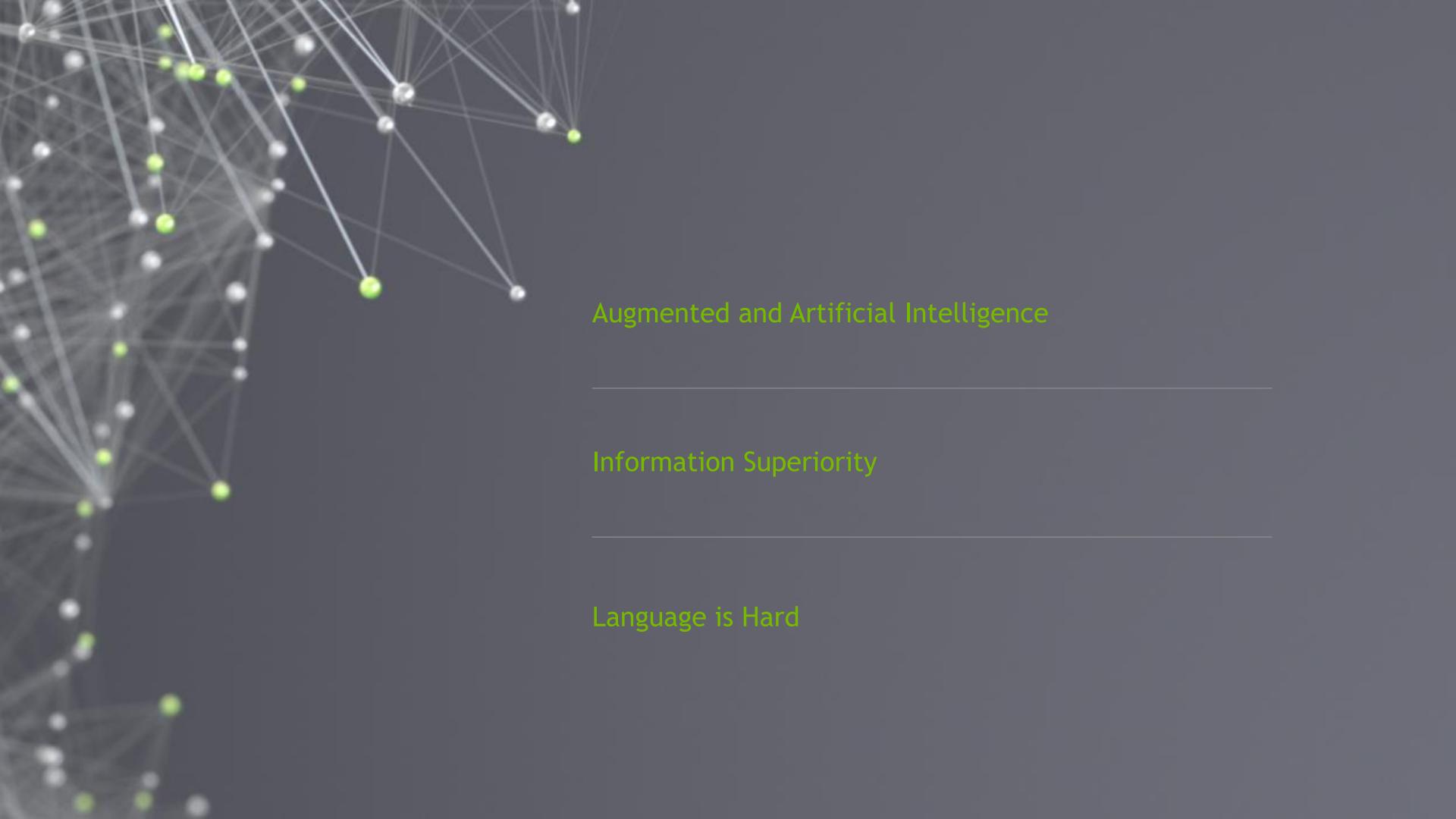


ADVANCING THE TRADER OF TOMORROW WITH AI

John Ashley, January 2021







IS INDISTINGUISHABLE FROM MAGIC." - ARTHUR C. CLARKE

IMAGINE...

(briefly)

What would you pay...

...to get the news 10 minutes ahead of your competitors?

... to get all the news when your competitors only get 80%?

... for a team of people to filter your incoming data to flag the good vs. the bad?

...and prioritize the interesting over the non-interesting?

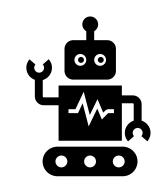
This is not science fiction.



AI FOR TRADING

Selected Use Cases





Augmented Intelligence for Discretionary Traders

NLP

- Text Prioritization
- Text Summarization
- Named Entity Recognition & Knowledge Graphs

Artificial Intelligence for Algo Traders

Algo Development

- Time Series via RNN / Temporal CNN
- Synthetic Data / VAE & GAN (backtesting)

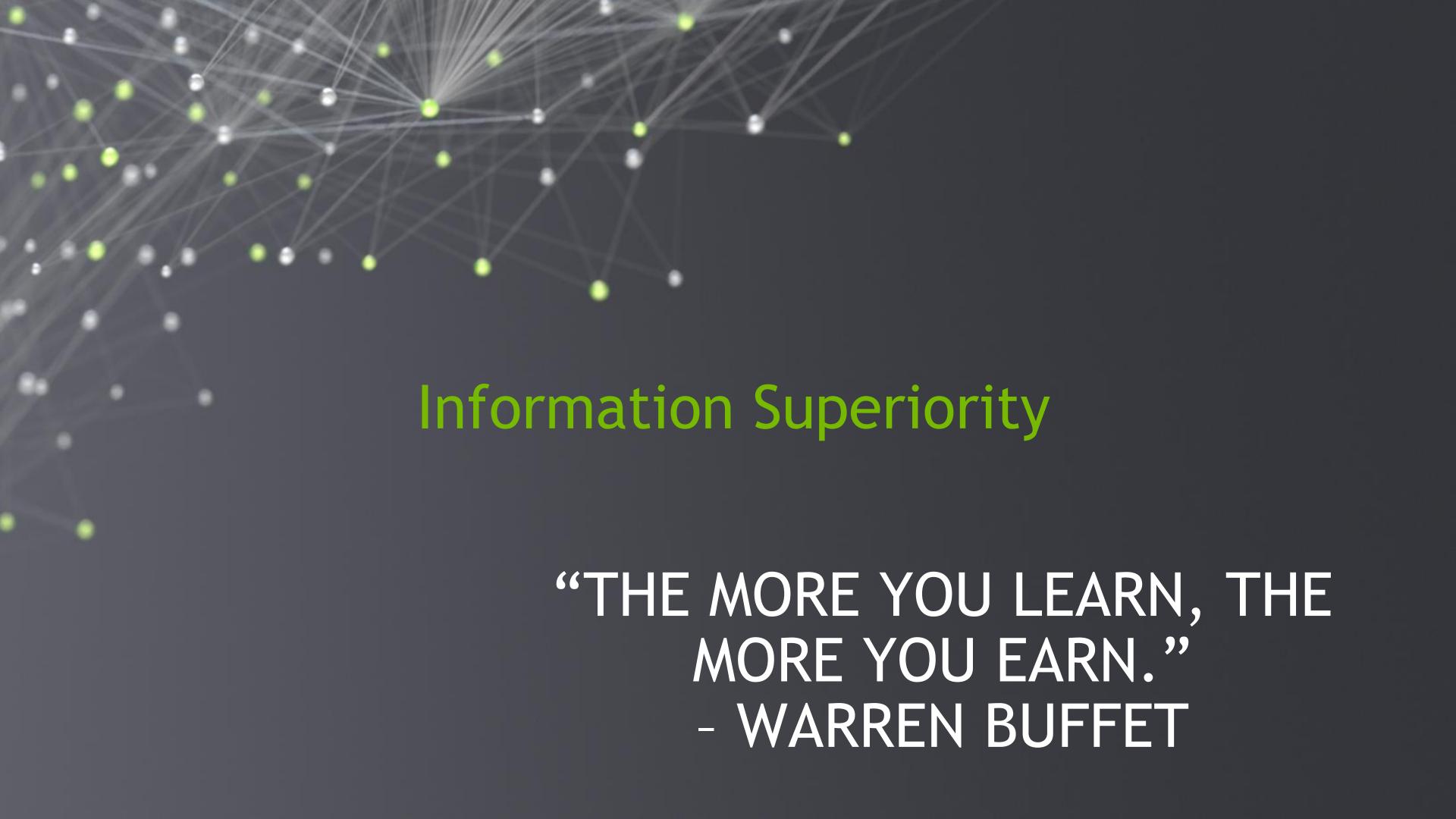
Sentiment Analysis - News, Social Media, Regulatory Filings

"alt data"

Optimal execution (Reinforcement Learning)

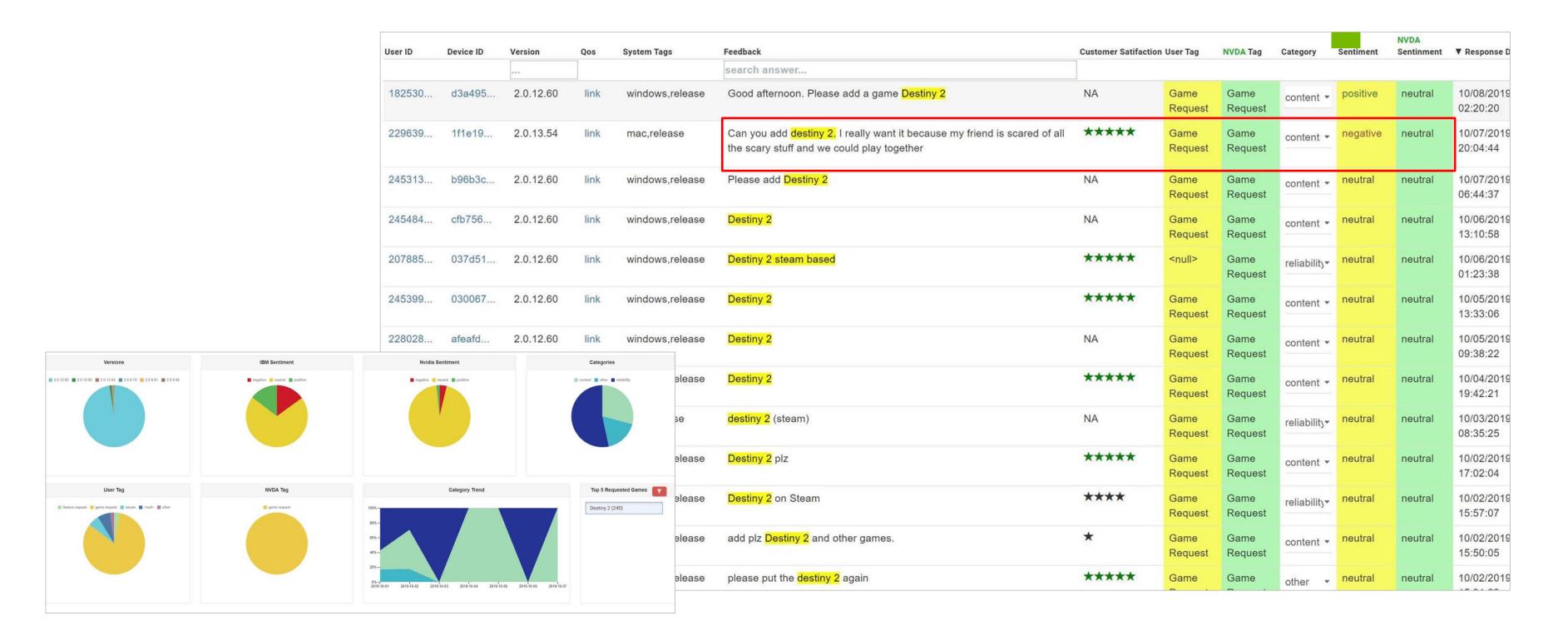
Deep Learning for Pricing and Risk





SENTIMENT: UNDERSTAND GEFORCE NOW USERS

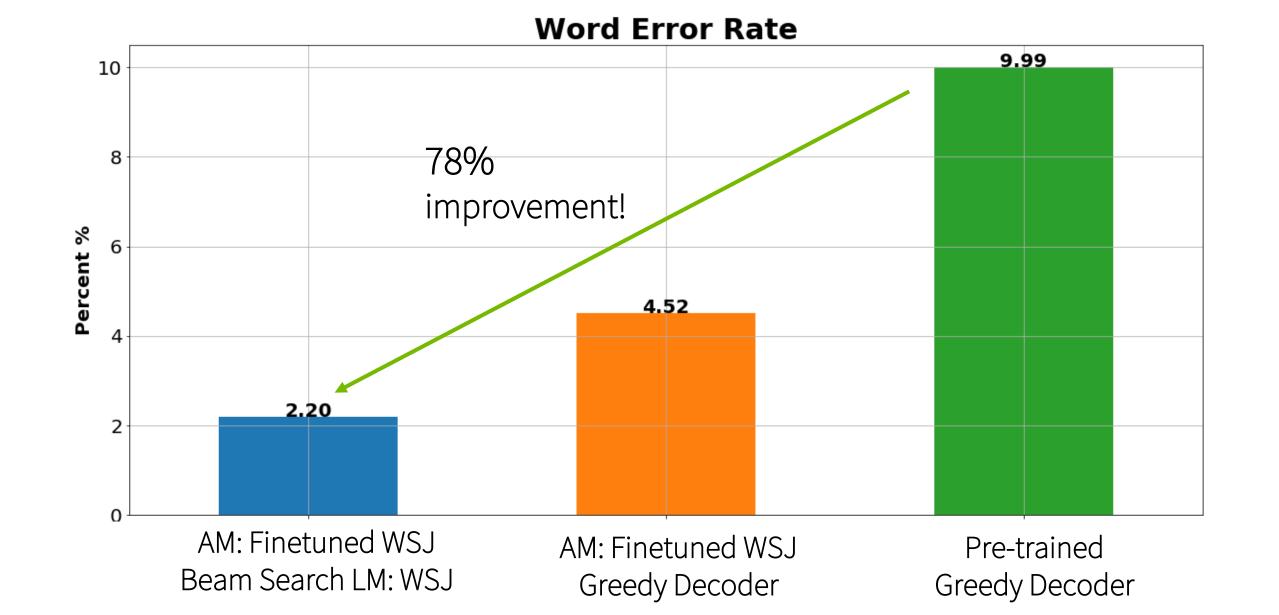
Thousands of gamer comments every day



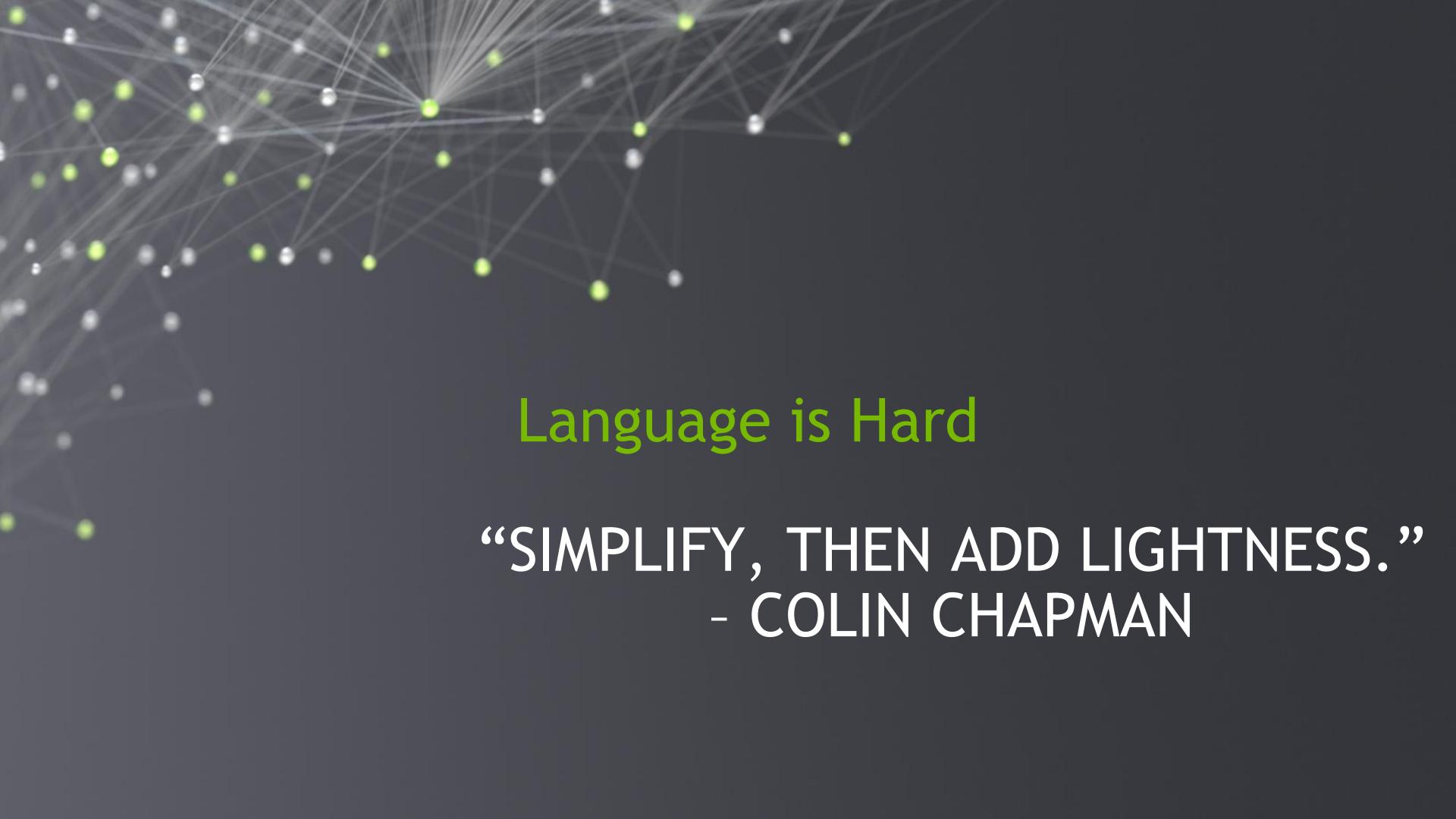
HOW TO BUILD YOUR OWN DOMAIN SPECIFIC ASR MODELS

https://ngc.nvidia.com/catalog/containers/nvidia:nemo_asr_app_img









LANGUAGE UNDERSTANDING IMPROVEMENT

Reaching human level

GLUE Aggregate Score

Detect grammatical errors

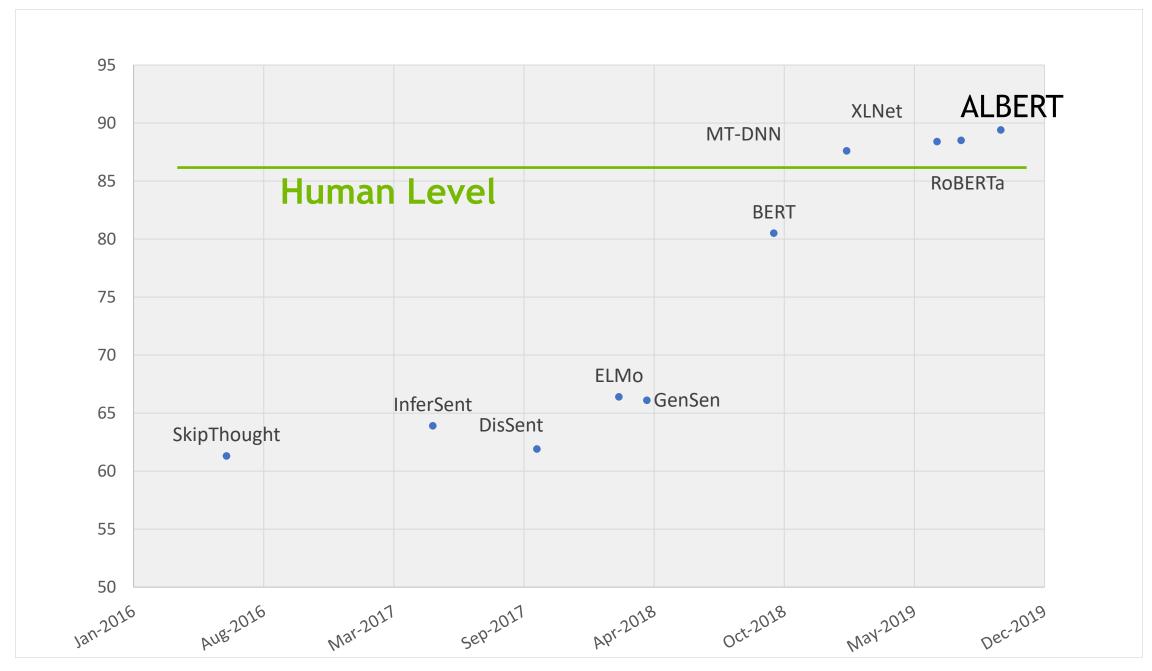
Predict if movie review is positive or negative

Decide if an abstract correctly summarizes an article

Sentence-level Semantic equivalence

Basic reading comprehension

Pronoun disambiguation



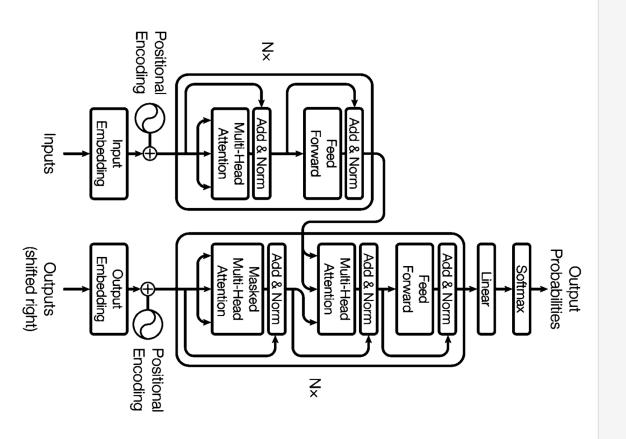
NATURAL LANGUAGE UNDERSTANDING

BERT universal language model

Input: Two sentences with 15% of words masked out

1 = "Initially he supported himself and his by farming on a plot family land."

2 = " in turn attracted the attention of St. Post-Dispatch, which sent a reporter to Murray to review Stubblefield's wireless ."



Output 1: Reconstruct missing words

family, of this, the, Louis, personally, telephone

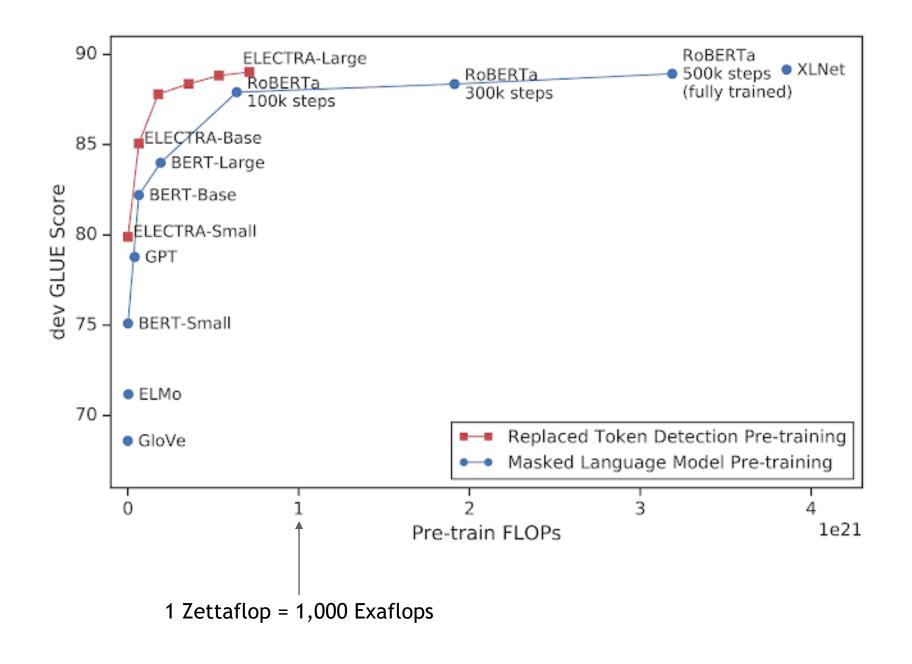
Output 2: Is two the next sentence after one?

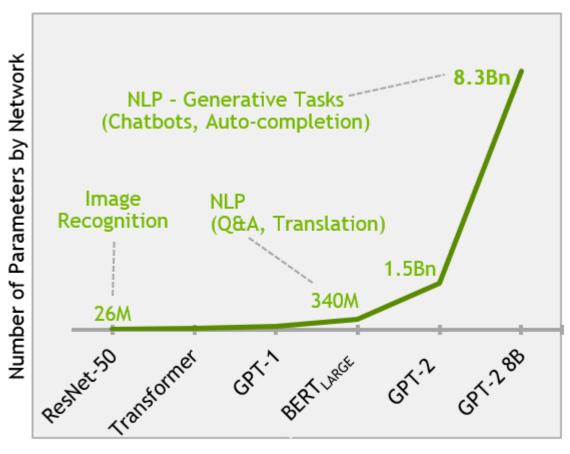
NOT_NEXT_SENTENCE



NLP MODELS ARE LARGE

The Training and Inference cost is high





EXPLODING MODEL SIZE Complexity to Train

DL FRAMEWORKS

TensorFlow, PyTorch, etc.

- System to move, manipulate, debug, monitor, and perform operations on general tensors.
- Must be able to handle multiple / general operations, back-prop, and stochastic methods.
- Underlying framework code object-y and designed for feature growth / rapid development.
- We can and do still accelerate this with GPUs, but

THESE THINGS ADD COMPLEXITY AND WEIGHT, SLOWING DOWN RUNTIME INFERENCE.

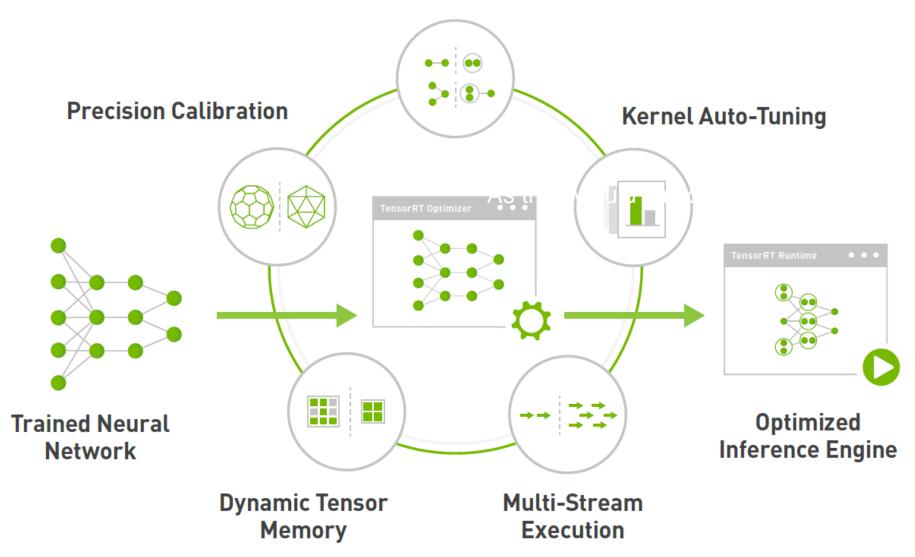
We can speed this up by applying Colin Chapman's principles.

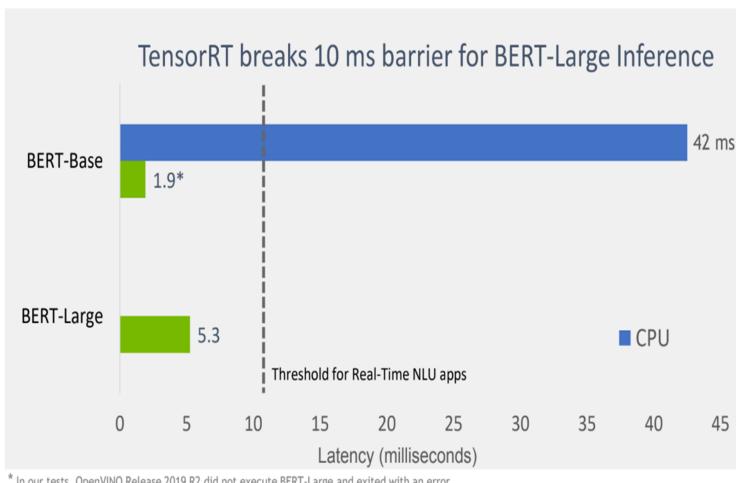


SIMPLIFICATION AND THE ADDITION OF LIGHTNESS.

Via TensorRT*

Layer and Tensor Fusion





^{*} In our tests, OpenVINO Release 2019 R2 did not execute BERT-Large and exited with an error

BERT Sample Code in TensorRT Repo Jupyter Python Notebook

Blog: Real-Time Natural Language Understanding with BERT Using TensorRT

*As they would say on the BBC, other solutions may be available





CLOSING THOUGHTS

Recap

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CLOSING THOUGHTS

Conclusion

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Your competition will have augmented traders and AI trading algorithms.

Failure to compete in this space will have the expected results.



MEET SOME FINBERTS

Not an exhaustive list

Bottom line - it's not terribly difficult to start building your own.

With a human in the loop approach to slowly correcting / building additional training data, it is straightforward (almost easy) to get a custom model that is deeply relevant to the things you care about. And that improves over time.

- Prosus -- https://github.com/ProsusAl/finBERT
 - https://medium.com/prosus-ai-tech-blog/finbert-financial-sentiment-analysis-with-bert-b277a3607101
- Psnonis -- https://github.com/psnonis/finbert
- Araci -- https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.10063
- Yang, Uy, Huang -- https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.08097 and https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.08097 and https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.08097 and https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.08097
- Liu, Huang, Huang, Li, Zhao -- https://www.ijcai.org/Proceedings/2020/0622.pdf
- Abhijeet Kumar -- https://pypi.org/project/finbert-embedding/