



Artificial Intelligence Transparency and Explainability

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Transparency for Artificial Intelligence/ Machine Learning (AI/ML)-Enabled Medical Devices

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AI/ML-Enabled Medical Devices: International Harmonization on Terminology

Artificial Intelligence (AI):

A branch of computer science, statistics, and engineering that uses algorithms or models to perform tasks and exhibit behaviors such as learning, making decisions and making predictions.

Machine Learning (ML):

A subset of AI that allows computer algorithms to learn through data, without being explicitly programmed, to perform a task.

AI/ML-Enabled Medical Device:

A medical device that uses machine learning to achieve its intended medical purpose.

Adapted from IMDRF Artificial Intelligence Medical Devices Key Terms & Definitions proposed document



FDA Resource on AI/ML-Enabled Medical Devices



Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (AI/ML)-Enabled Medical Devices

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Date of Final Decision	Submission Number	Device	Company	Panel (Lead)	Primary Product Code
07/27/2023	K231195	Brainomix 360 Triage ICH	Brainomix Limited	Radiology	QAS
07/26/2023	K231038	Global Hypoperfusion Index (GHI) Algorithm	Edwards Lifesciences, LLC	Cardiovascular	QNL
07/25/2023	K223473	ME-APDS™; MAGENTIQ-COLO™	Magentiq Eye LTD	Gastroenterology/Urology	QNP
07/25/2023	K230365	Sonio Detect	Sonio	Radiology	IYN
07/25/2023	K230913	ANDI	Imeka Solutions, Inc.	Radiology	QIH
07/24/2023	K223347	UltraSight AI Guidance	UltraSight Inc	Radiology	QJU
07/21/2023	K230150	OptimMRI	RebrAln, SAS	Radiology	QIH

AI/ML-Enabled Medical Devices: Opportunities & Challenges

OPPORTUNITIES

- **Significant positive impact on health care**
 - Earlier disease detection
 - More accurate diagnosis
 - New insights into human physiology
 - Personalized diagnostics and therapeutics
- **Applications across all medical fields**
- **Ability to learn, adapt, and improve performance**

CHALLENGES

- **Fit-for-purpose data sets for development and testing, including diversity**
- **Identification and minimization of bias**
- **Opacity of some algorithms**
- **Providing oversight for an adaptive system**
- **Ensuring transparency to users**

Proposed Regulatory Framework for AI/ML-Enabled Device Software




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Proposed Regulatory Framework for Modifications to Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML)-Based Software as a Medical Device (SaMD)

Discussion Paper and Request for Feedback



PATTERN RECOGNITION



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

MACHINE LEARNING



AUTOMATION



NEURAL NETWORKS



DATA MINING

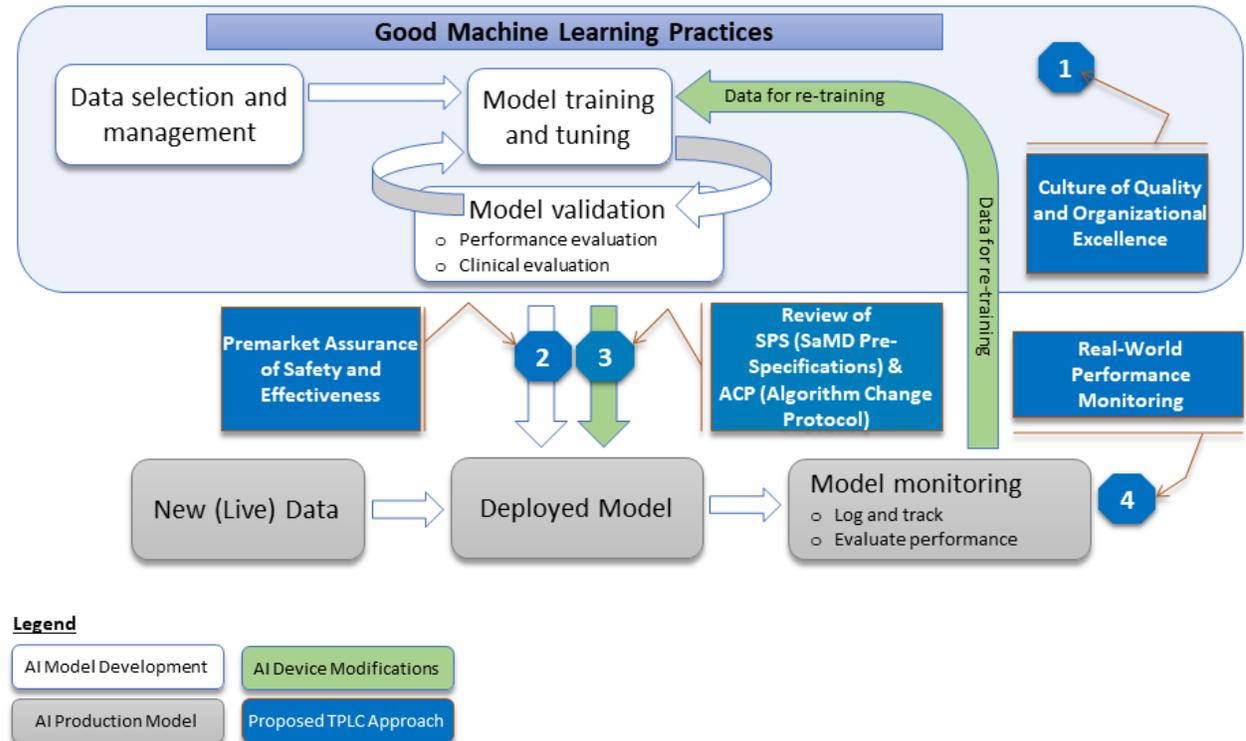


ALGORITHM



PROBLEM SOLVING

Overlay of FDA's TPLC Approach on AI/ML Workflow



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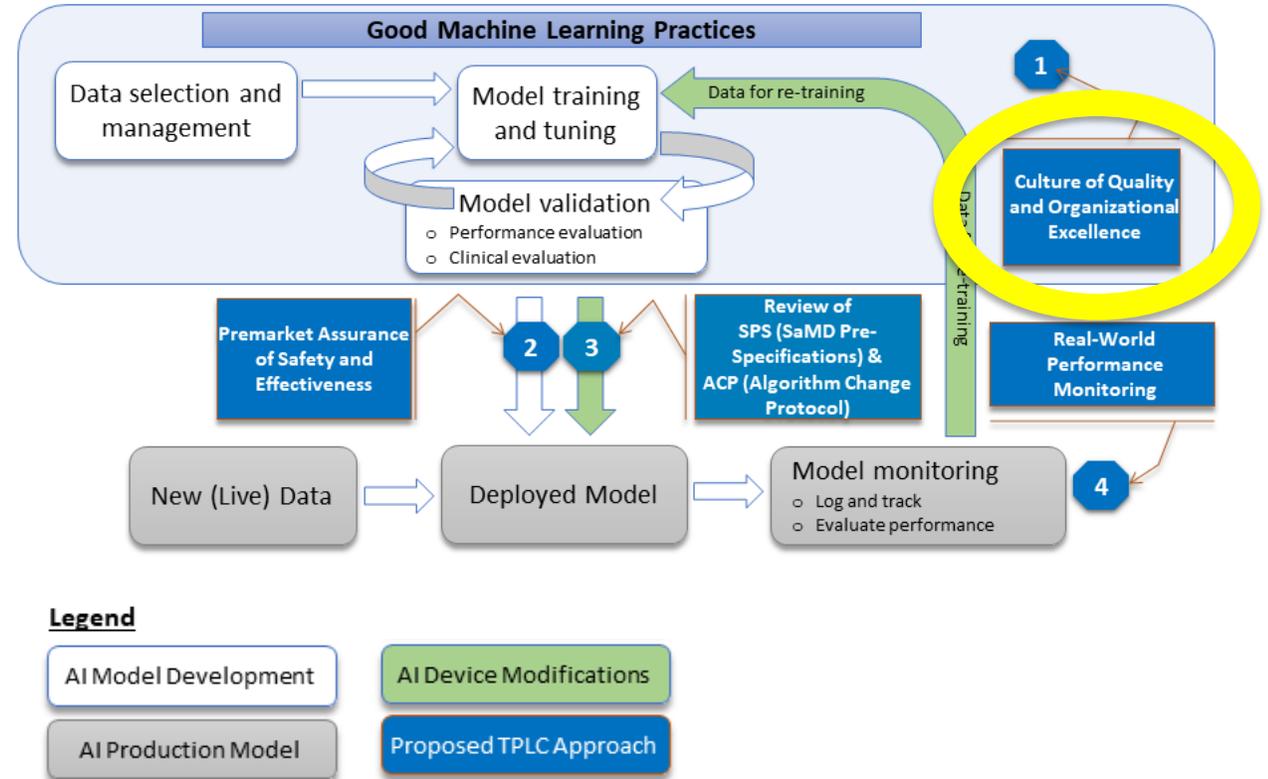
What we'll do -- The AI/ML Action Plan:

1. **Update the proposed AI/ML framework,** including through Guidance
2. **Strengthen FDA's role in harmonizing GMLP** through standards development & other initiatives
3. **Foster a patient-centered approach,** starting with a workshop on transparency to users
4. **Support development of regulatory science methods** related to algorithm bias and robustness
5. **Advance real-world performance pilots** in coordination with stakeholders and other programs

Good Machine Learning Practice (GMLP)



- Accepted practices in ML/AI algorithm design, development, training, and testing that facilitate the quality development and assessment of ML/AI-enabled devices
- Based on concepts from quality systems, software reliability, machine learning, and data analysis

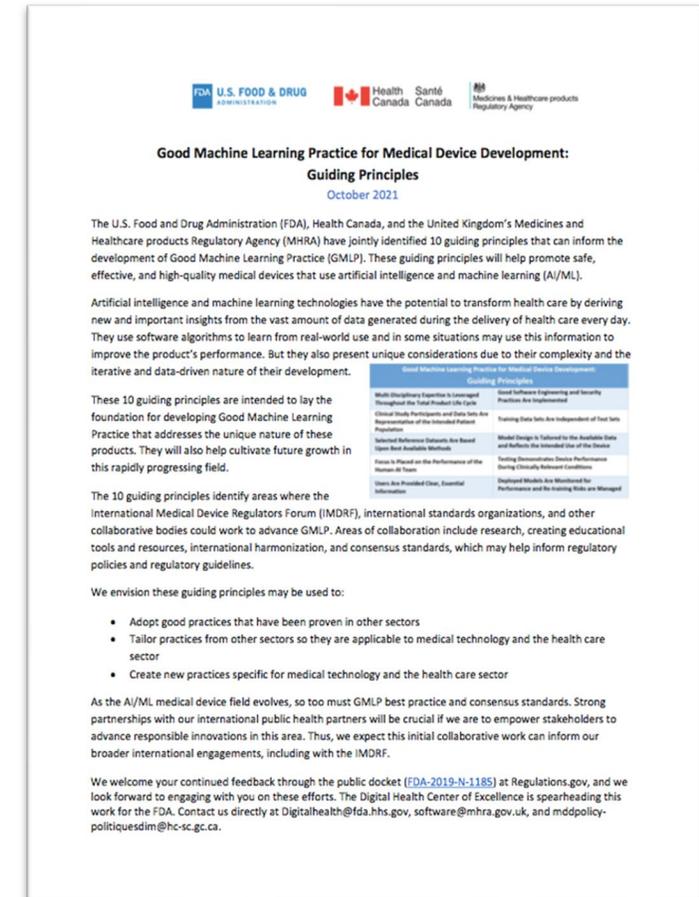


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Good Machine Learning Practice (GMLP) Guiding Principles



- Ten guiding principles issued by US FDA, MHRA (UK) and Health Canada
- Intended to help inform the development of GMLP and encourage broad stakeholder engagement
- Promotes global harmonization in efforts for the identification of best practices and the creation of standards
- Being considered by broader IMDRF international community



Good Machine Learning Practice for Medical Device Development: Guiding Principles	
Multi-Disciplinary Expertise Is Leveraged Throughout the Total Product Life Cycle	Good Software Engineering and Security Practices Are Implemented
Clinical Study Participants and Data Sets Are Representative of the Intended Patient Population	Training Data Sets Are Independent of Test Sets
Selected Reference Datasets Are Based Upon Best Available Methods	Model Design Is Tailored to the Available Data and Reflects the Intended Use of the Device
Focus Is Placed on the Performance of the Human-AI Team	Testing Demonstrates Device Performance During Clinically Relevant Conditions
Users Are Provided Clear, Essential Information	Deployed Models Are Monitored for Performance and Re-training Risks are Managed

<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/software-medical-device-samd/good-machine-learning-practice-medical-device-development-guiding-principles>

Good Machine Learning Practice (GMLP) Guiding Principles



Principle 7

Focus Is Placed on the Performance of the Human-AI Team

- Where the model has a “human in the loop,” human factors considerations and the human interpretability of the model outputs are addressed with emphasis on the performance of the Human-AI team, rather than just the performance of the model in isolation.



Good Machine Learning Practice (GMLP) Guiding Principles



Principle 9

Users Are Provided Clear, Essential Information:

- Users are provided ready access to clear, contextually relevant information that is appropriate for the intended audience (such as health care providers or patients) including:
 - the product's intended use and indications for use,
 - performance of the model for appropriate subgroups,
 - characteristics of the data used to train and test the model,
 - acceptable inputs,
 - known limitations,
 - user interface interpretation,
 - and clinical workflow integration of the model.
- Users are also made aware of device modifications and updates from real-world performance monitoring, the basis for decision-making when available, and a means to communicate product concerns to the developer.



Patient-Centered Approach Incorporating Transparency to Users



AI/ML-enabled devices have unique considerations that necessitate a proactive patient-centered approach:

- that takes into account issues including usability, equity, trust, and accountability
- that promotes transparency to all users and to patients more broadly

Patient Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC) Meeting held Oct 2020

Workshop on Transparency of AIML-enabled devices held Oct 2021



Working Definition



TRANSPARENCY:

Degree to which appropriate information about a device
– *including its intended use, development, performance, and, when available, logic* –
is clearly communicated to stakeholders

**Working definition of Transparency adapted from ISO/IEC 25059:2023 Software engineering — Systems and software Quality Requirements and Evaluation (SQuaRE) — Quality model for AI systems*

Transparency is fundamental to a patient-centered approach



Transparency supports the safe and effective use of AI/ML-enabled devices

1. Allows patients, providers, and caregivers to make informed decisions
2. Supports proper use of a device
3. Promotes health equity
4. Facilitates evaluation and monitoring of device performance
5. Fosters trust and promotes adoption



Continuing to Improve Transparency



- What are the needs of specific stakeholders?
- What is the appropriate information to communicate?
- What is the best way to communicate that information?
 - How can device labeling be improved?
 - How can other public-facing information be improved?
 - What else can be done to promote transparency?

We carefully consider the discussions held in our public workshop on the Transparency of AI/ML-enabled Medical Devices, as well as comments from the public docket to inform our next steps toward improving transparency.

Transparency Workshop



- **3800 workshop participants**
 - Patients, healthcare professionals, academia, advocacy groups, and industry
- **Discussion Themes (Workshop and Docket)**
 - Health equity and bias
 - Labeling
 - Public education efforts
 - Decision summaries
 - Databases
 - Post market pathways
 - Real world performance monitoring
 - Industry guidance
 - Data set requirements
 - Validation of transparency measures
 - Promoting GMLP

Topics of AI/ML Transparency Workshop Discussion

What does AI/ML Transparency mean?

- Safe and effective
 - Clear intended use
 - Works as described
- Health equity
 - Fair to all people
 - Bias management
- Real world performance
 - Assurance of improved health outcomes

How to promote AI/ML Transparency?

- User facing information/ labeling
 - Accessible language/terminology
 - Clear functionality and limitations
- Public education on AI/ML
- Dataset requirements
- Pre-market guidance
- Post-market monitoring

Planned Guidance



A-List: Prioritized Guidance Documents that CDRH Intends to Publish in FY2024

Final Guidance Topics

- Marketing Submission Recommendations for A Predetermined Change Control Plan for Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML)-Enabled Device Software Functions

Draft Guidance Topics

- Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML)-enabled Device Software Functions: Lifecycle Management Considerations and Premarket Submission Recommendations

<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/guidance-documents-medical-devices-and-radiation-emitting-products/cdrh-proposed-guidances-fiscal-year-2024fy2024#a>

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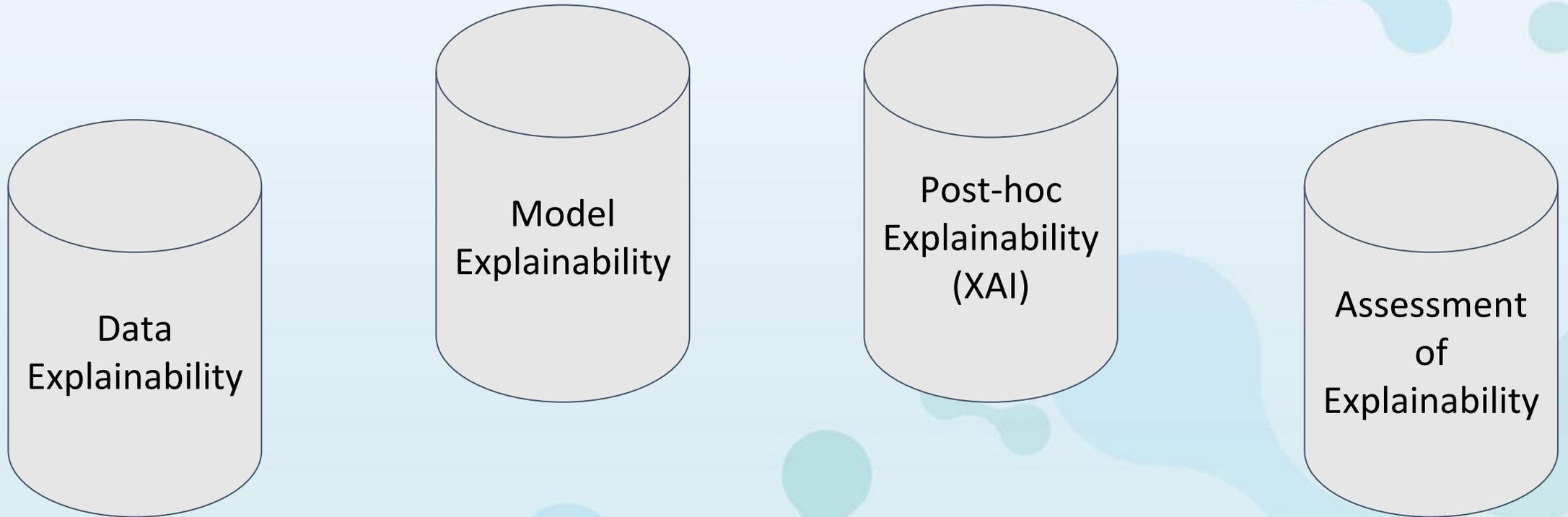
Utilizing AI for health and patient safety

Data science teams should strive to build and develop AI models that positively impact patient lives by providing information and decisions that are trustworthy and transparent.

If there is a lack of transparency, data teams will be less likely to interpret the results, and stakeholders may begin to question the usefulness of models without justification.

Being well versed in model transparency and explainable AI (XAI) will help data teams interpret the results while helping stakeholders build confidence in model outputs.

Model transparency is built on the four pillars of explainable AI (XAI)



How well do you know your data? (Data Explainability)

Statistical Analysis:

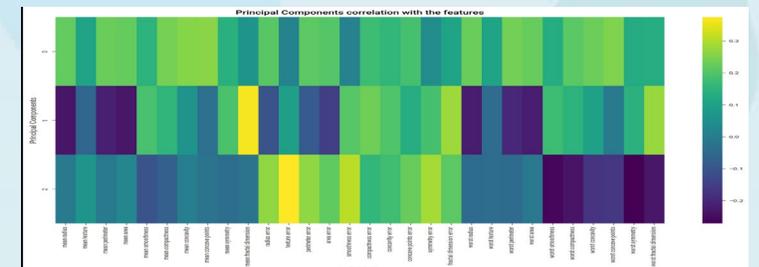
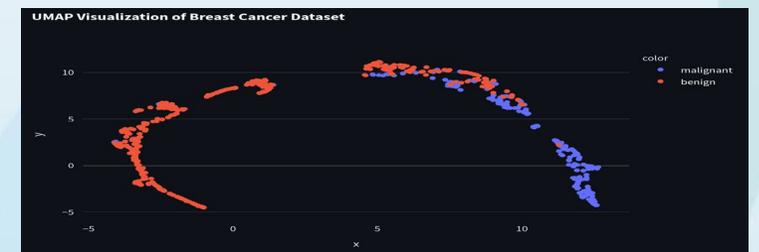
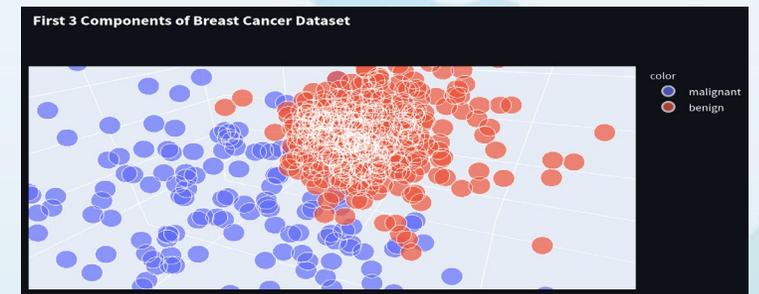
- Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)
- Feature Engineering
- Physics Informed Neural Networks

Data Dimensionality Reduction / Visualization:

- Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
- t-distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (TSNE)
- Uniform Manifold Approximation and Projection (UMAP)

Causal / Relationship Mapping:

- Knowledge Graphs



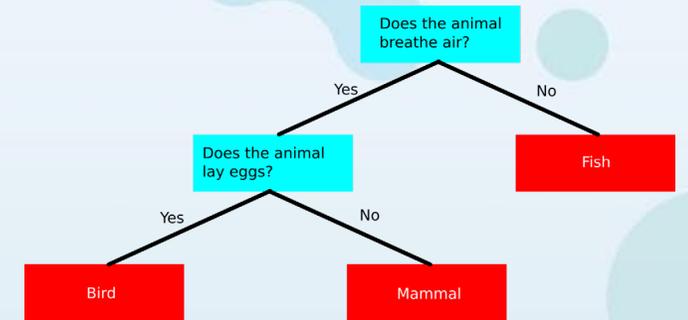
How well do you know your model(s)? (Model Explainability)

White Box Models - Usually basic and don't capture complexity

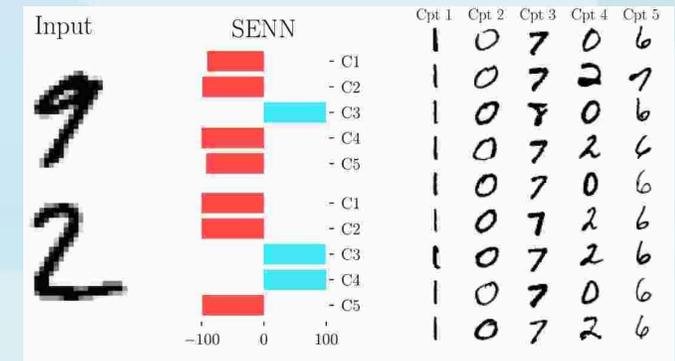
- Decision sets
- Rule Sets
- Cased-based reasoning
- Interpretable Fuzzy Systems
- Generalized Additive Models

Hybrid Explainable Models – Models coupled with black box models

- Deep K-Nearest Neighbors (DkNN)
- Deep Weighted Averaging Classifier (DWAC)
- Self-Explaining Neural Networks (SENN)
- BagNets
- Neural-Symbolic models (NeSy)



<https://towardsdatascience.com/a-beginners-guide-to-decision-tree-classification-6d3209353ea>



<https://omarelb.github.io/self-explaining-neural-networks>

How did your model come to a conclusion?

Attribution Methods

Attribution Methods are great for understanding image explanations by looking at relevant pixels

Four Methods:

- Deep Taylor Decomposition (DTD)
- Perturbation Methods
- Backpropagation Methods
- DeepLIFT



Method:
Grad-CAM

Predicted:
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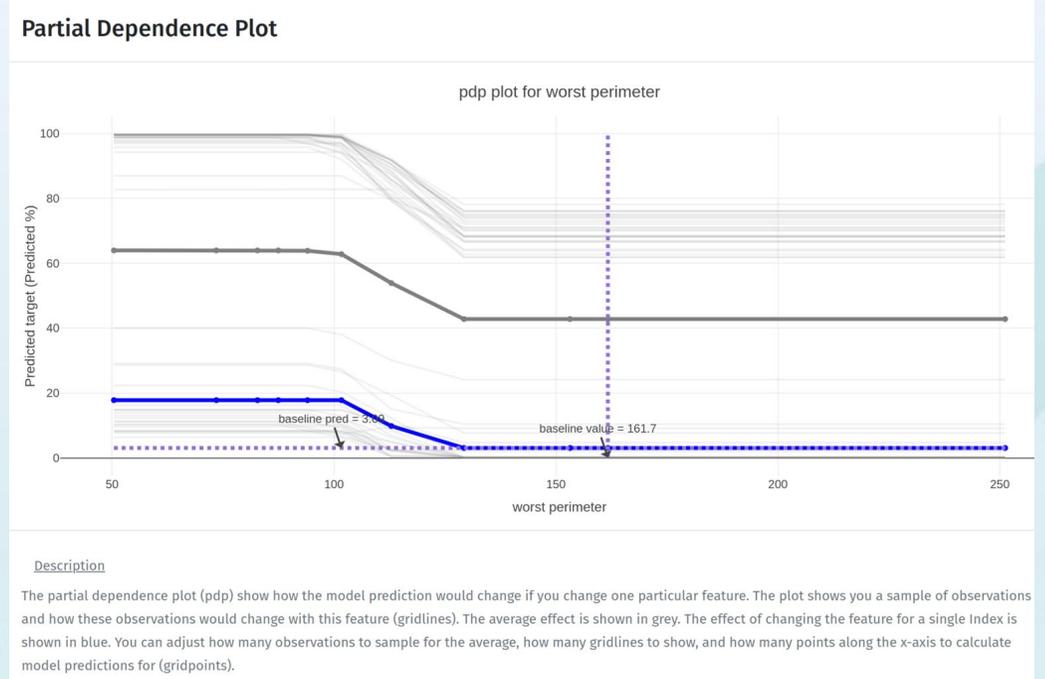
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Visualization Methods

Visualizations work well with supervised learning methods by understanding feature contributions

Three Methods:

- Partial Dependence Plot (PDP)
- Individual Conditional Expectations (ICE)
- Accumulated Local Effects (ALE)



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Example-based Explanation Methods

Example-based Explanation Methods focus on single instances in the dataset to explain the underlying data distributions.

Three Methods:

- Prototype and Criticisms
- Counterfactuals
- Adversarial Examples

Select Index

Select from list or pick at random

462 Random Index

Observed target: Range: probability

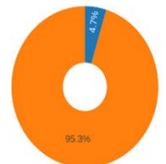
Benign Malignant

Predicted probability range:



Prediction

label	probability
Benign	4.7 %
Malignant	95.3 %



Feature Input

Adjust the feature values to change the prediction

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worst perimeter: 100.4 <small>Range: 50.41-251.2</small>	worst concave points: 0.05563 <small>Range: 0.0-0.29</small>	worst radius: 15.4 <small>Range: 7.93-36.04</small>	mean concave points: 0.01737 <small>Range: 0.0-0.2</small>
worst area: 734.6 <small>Range: 185.2-4254.0</small>	mean perimeter: 92.25 <small>Range: 43.79-188.5</small>	area error: 20.52 <small>Range: 6.8-542.2</small>	worst concavity: 0.1472 <small>Range: 0.0-1.25</small>

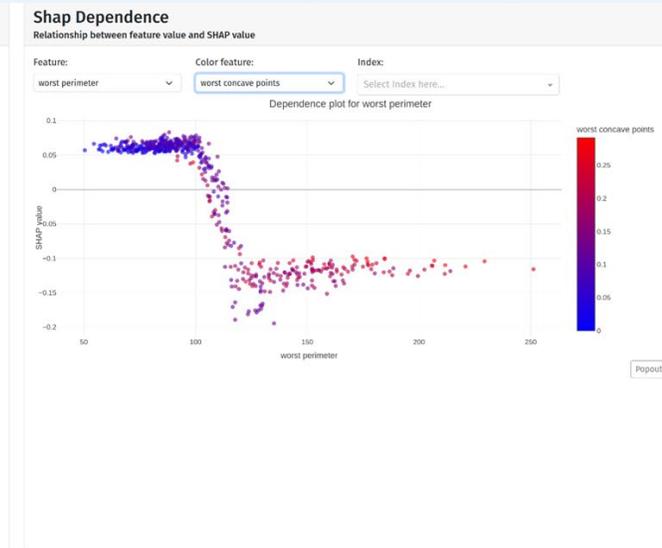
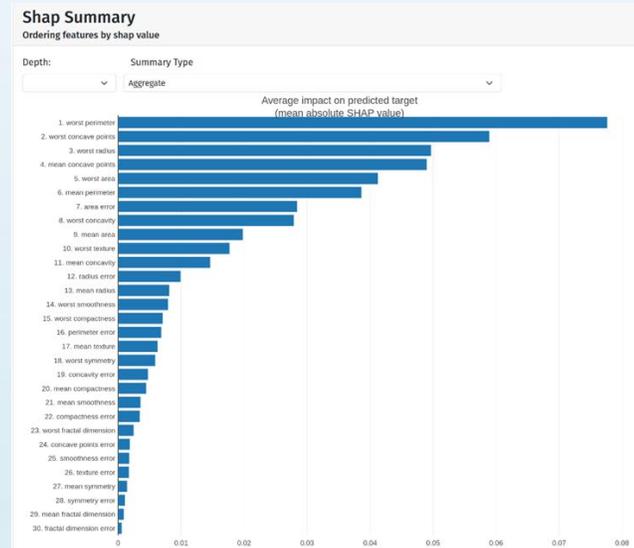
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Game Theory Methods

Game Theory Methods treat machine learning models like games where the features show how much they contribute to the prediction outcome

Two Methods:

- Shap Values
- Shapley Additive Explanation (SHAP)



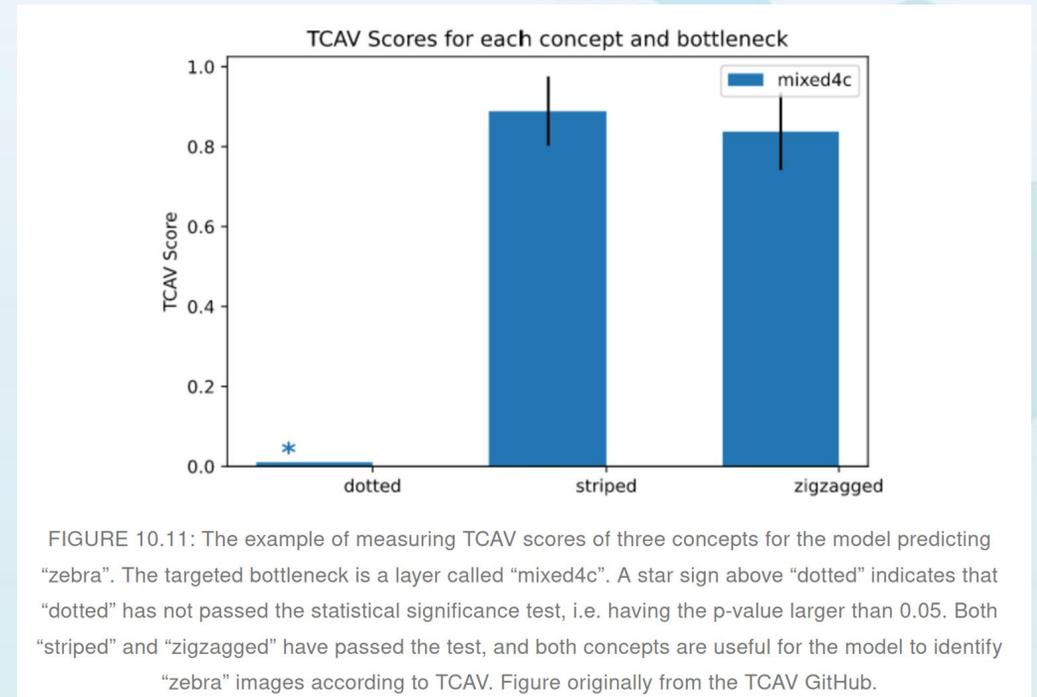
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Knowledge Extraction Methods and Neural Methods

Knowledge Extraction Methods and Neural Methods look to see what features are being used by a neural network features:

Four Methods:

- Rule Extraction
- Model Distillation
- Influence Methods
- Concept Methods



<https://christophm.github.io/interpretable-ml-book/detecting-concepts.html>



How well do you understand the results? (Assessment of Explanations)

- Understandability and Satisfaction
 - Qualitative approaches
 - Explain the answer provided
 - Quantitative approaches
 - Rate the explanation of the answer / result (Likert Scales)
- Trust and Transparency
 - Swift Trust – The user immediately accepts the model’s output
 - Default Trust – The user depends on the model’s output
 - Suspicious Trust – The user has apprehension to the model’s output

XAI in action!



Auto-EDA



XAI Dashboard



Visualizations



GRAD-CAM