

# Artificial Intelligence in Radiation Oncology

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## Artificial Intelligence, Machine learning and Deep Learning - Technical POV

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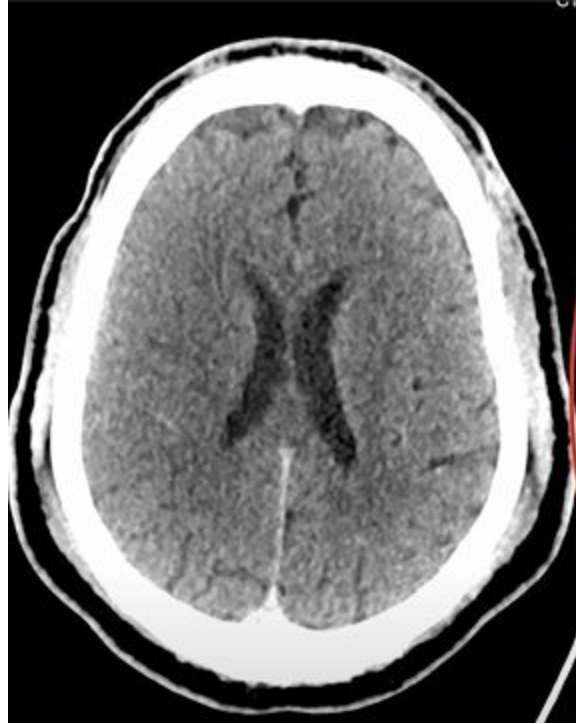
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# Objectives

- Introduction to AI, ML, DL
- Data Pre-Processing in Radiation Oncology
- Feature Engineering in Radiation Oncology
- Deep Learning in Radiation Oncology - Introduction to use cases

Can you diagnose?



# How did you do?

Knowledge of -

Type of  
Image



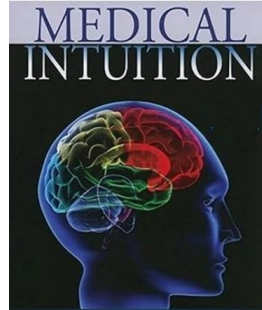
Normal  
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Abnormal  
Anatomy



Clinical  
Condition



# Introduction to AI, ML and DL

## The AI Universe



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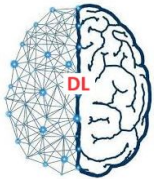
# What is AI, ML, DL?



**François Chollet, creator of Keras:** “the effort to automate intellectual tasks normally performed by humans”.

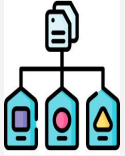


**Arthur Samuel:** “field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed”.



“computers to process data in a way that is inspired by the human brain by recognizing complex patterns in pictures, text, sounds, and other data to produce accurate insights and predictions”

# ML and DL Terminologies



01

**Classification**



02

**Segmentation**



Clinical Decision  
Support

03

**Detection**



04

**Image Enhancement**



05

**Data Augmentation**



06

**Pattern Recognition**



# Classification, Detection and Segmentation

Is this a cat?



**Image Classification**

What is there in the image  
and where?



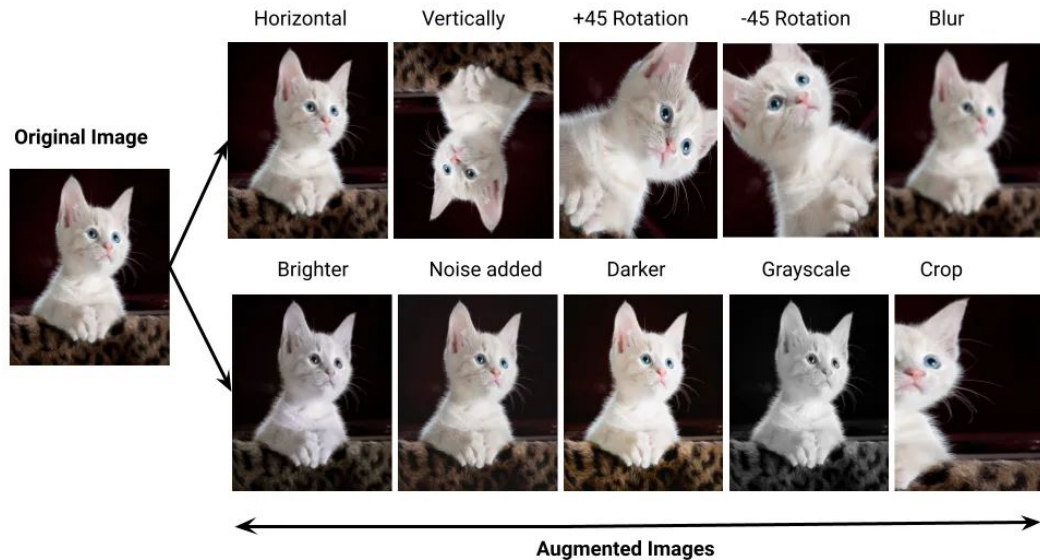
**Object Detection**

Which pixels belong to  
which object



**Image Segmentation**

# Augmentation and Enhancement



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



(e)

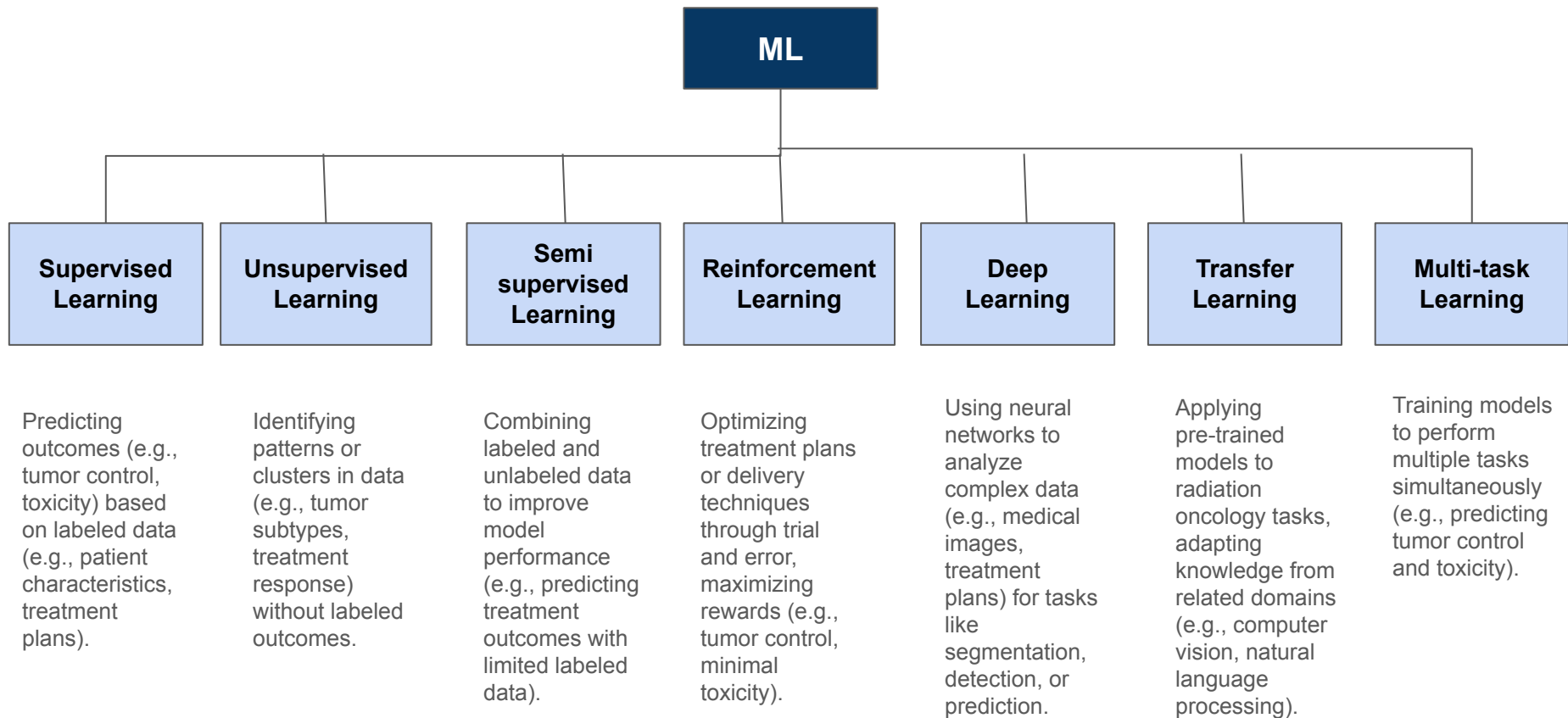


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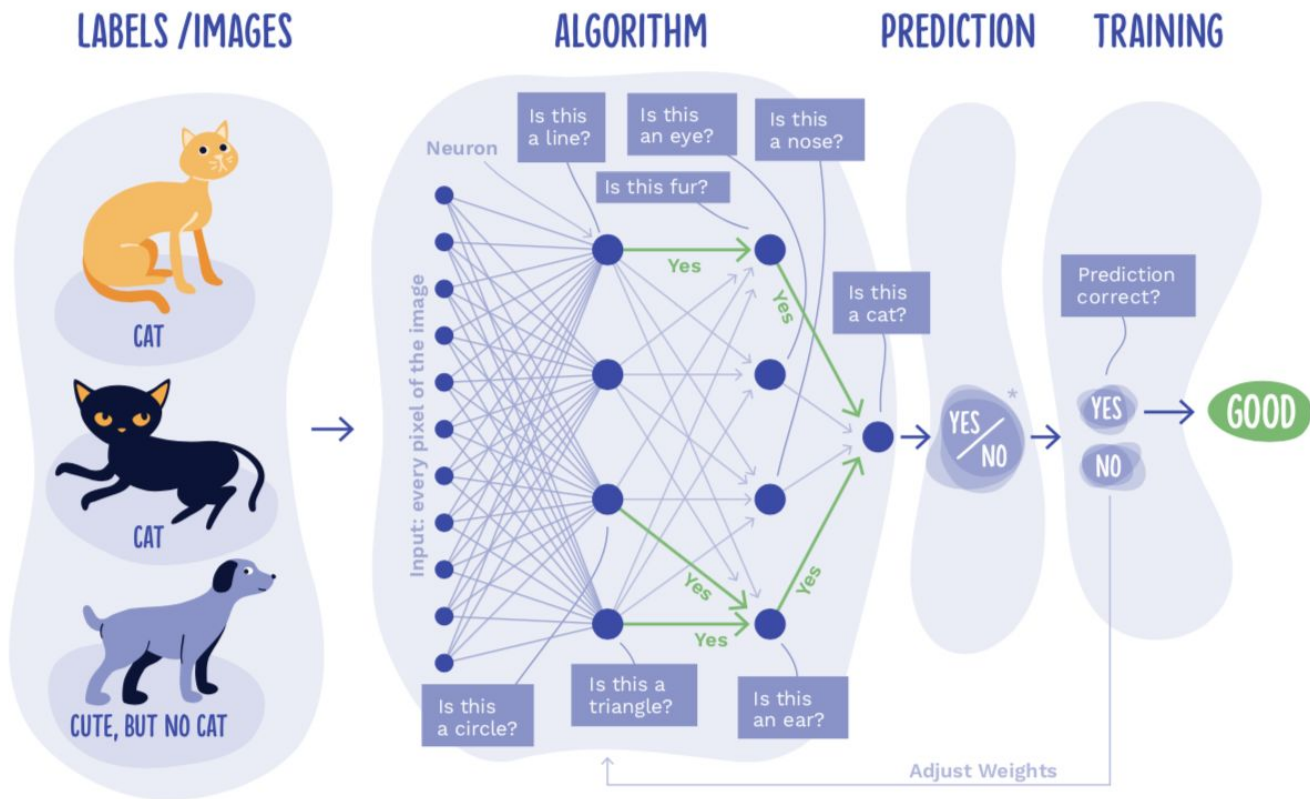
# Pattern Recognition



# Types of ML



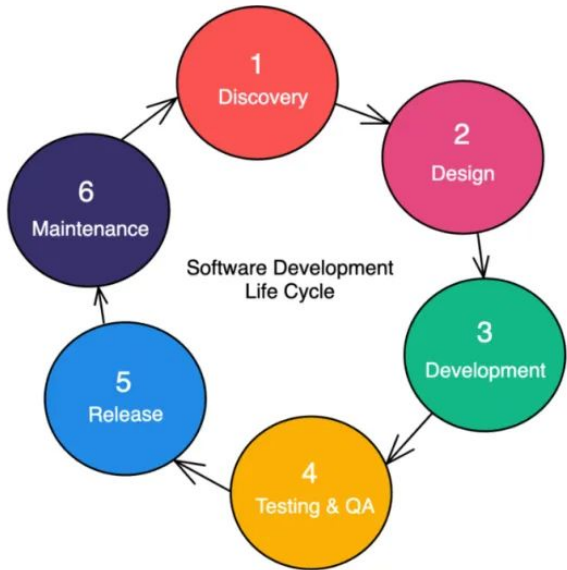
# Deep Learning Basics



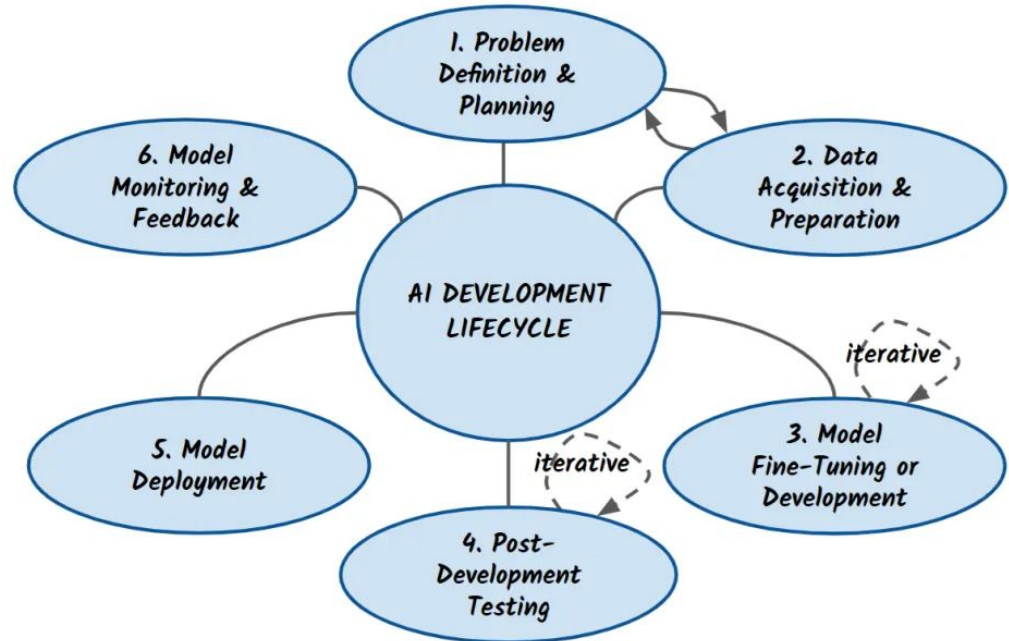
# Introduction to AI Development Process

Data Preprocessing  
Feature Extraction

# SDLC Vs AI Development

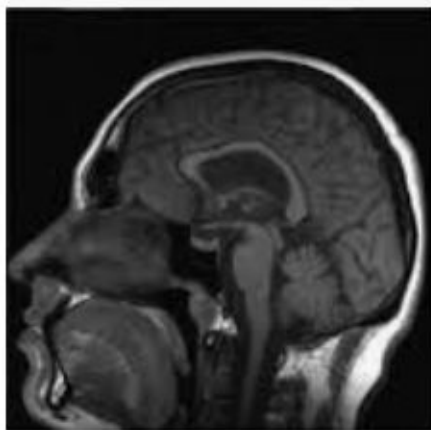


Traditional software development lifecycle. Source: <https://www.couchbase.com/>



The AI Development Lifecycle, Source: [The Business Case for AI.](#)

# What are the issues with raw imaging data?



(a) Brain MR Image without noise



(b) Brain MR Image with noise

## Noise

- Quantum Noise
- Electronic Noise
- Thermal Noise
- Patient Factors
- Image Acquisition



## Artifacts

- Metal Artifacts
- Motion artifacts
- Beam hardening artifacts
- Ring artifacts
- Magnetic field
- Image noise or grain
- Reconstruction artifacts



# What happens without data pre-processing?

1

Inaccurate results due to noise and artifacts

2

Higher incidence of false positives/negatives

3

Inefficient analysis leading to wasted computational cost

4

Outliers leading to over or under fitting

5

Lack of standardization

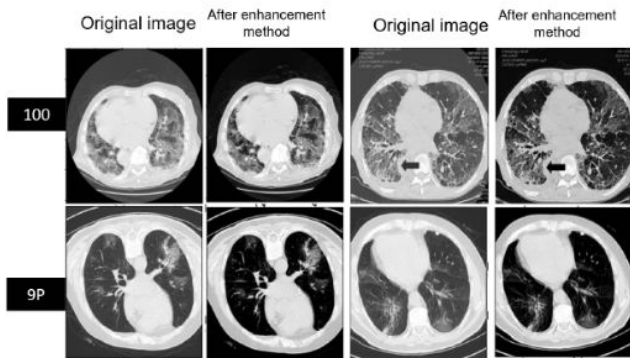
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Regulatory non-compliance

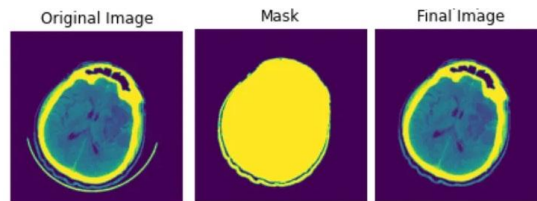


# How to do imaging data pre-processing?

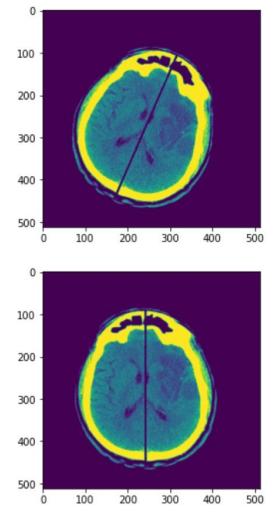
## Transforming to Hounsfield-unit - HU



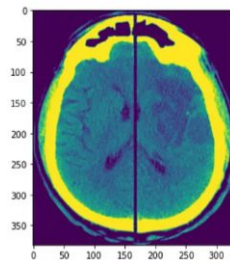
## Removing Noise



## Tilt Correction



## Cropping and Padding



# Feature engineering with imaging data

“feature engineering in radiology images involves extracting relevant information from images to create new features that can be used to improve model performance, diagnosis, or analysis”

- **Shape and size features:** Area, perimeter, diameter, and volume.
- **Intensity features:** Mean, median, mode, and standard deviation.
- **Texture features:** Gabor filters or Haralick features.
- **Segmentation features:** Tumor size or shape.
- **Spatial features:** Relationships between different regions or structures.
- **Frequency features:** Fourier transform.
- **Deep learning features:** Use convolutional neural networks (CNNs) to learn features from images.

# Why do we need feature extraction?

01

Improve Model Performance

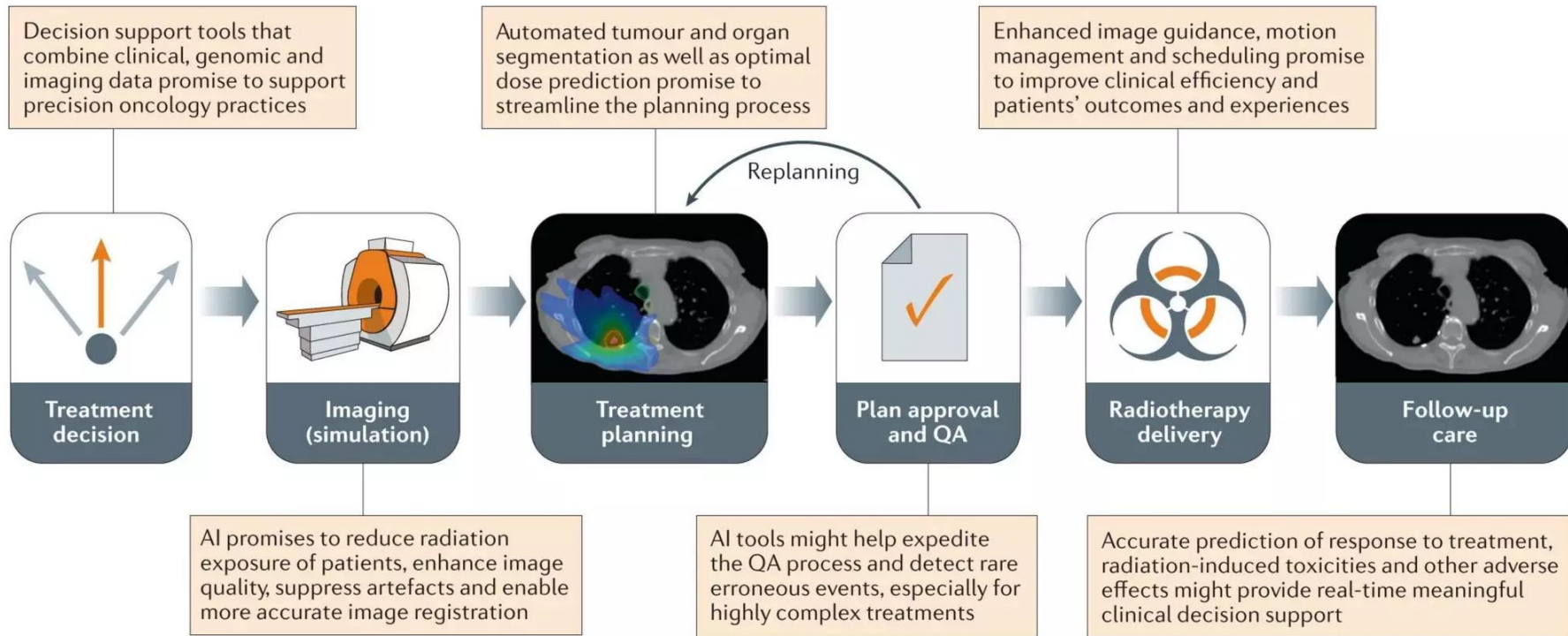
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Lessen computation cost

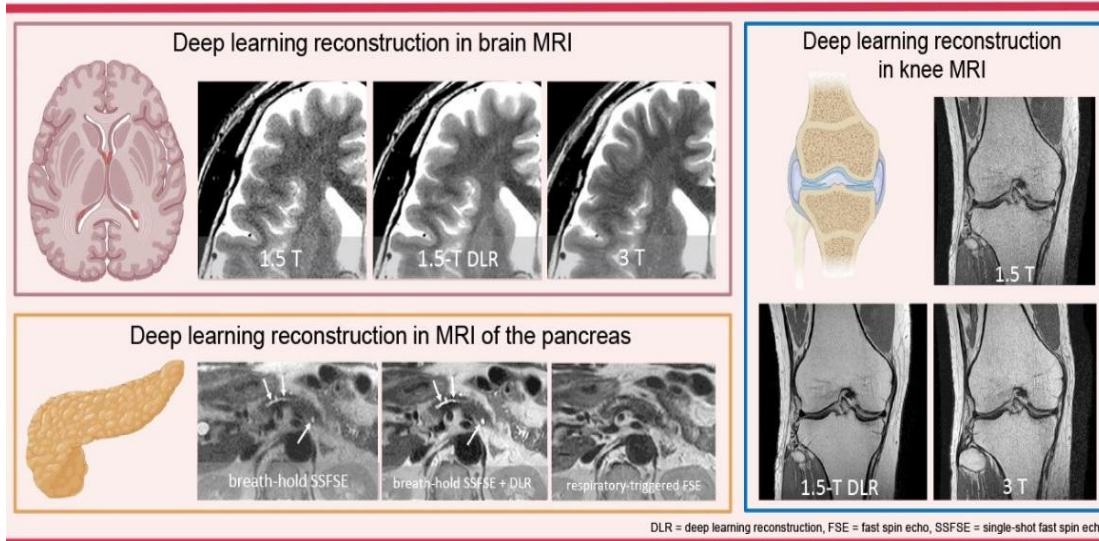
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Improve model interpretability

# AI in Radiation Oncology



# Deep Learning Reconstruction

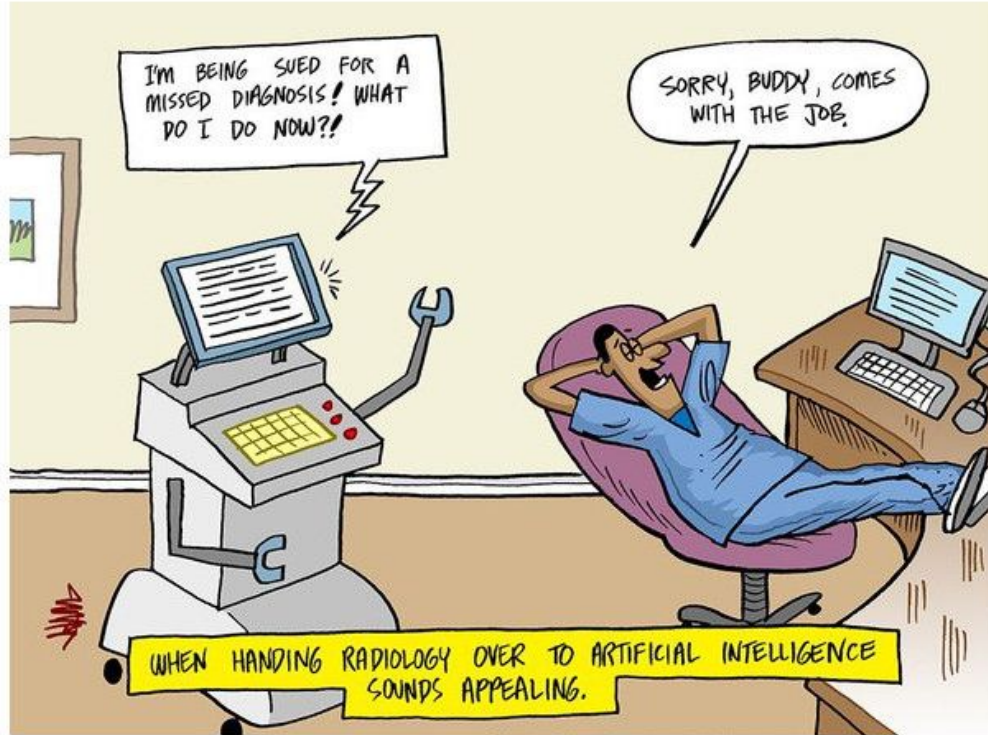


- Cone-beam artifacts
- Motion artifacts
- Truncation artifacts
- Noise

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Filtered back-projection (FBP) / Iterative or Model based reconstruction Vs DLR

# Thanks!



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