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# KEY SYSTEMS APPLICATIONS

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# Goals



## Learning Goals

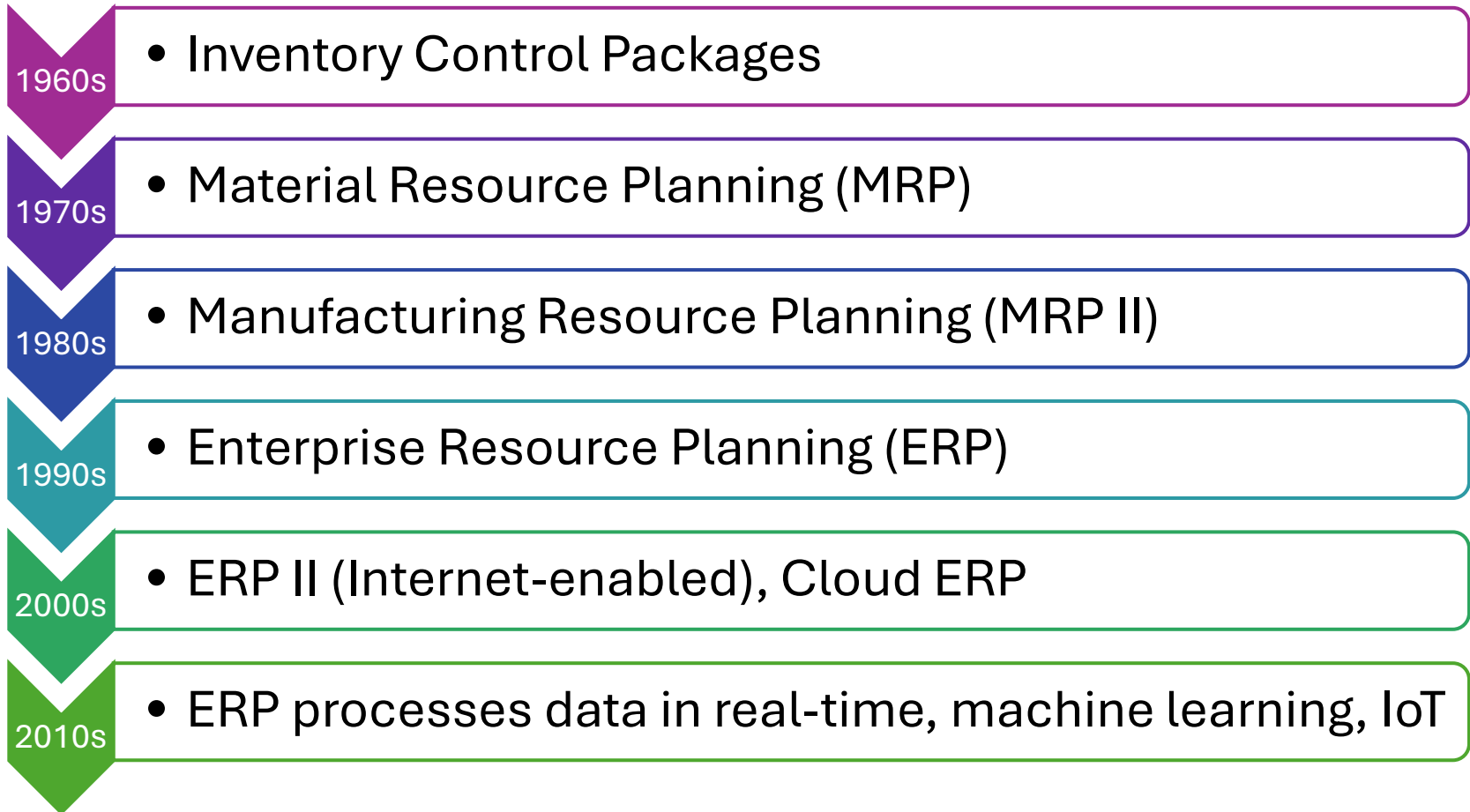
- Students will be able to:
  - Describe and analyze IT in the context of society and organizations
  - Propose, select, choose and build solutions of IT infrastructure and **IT applications**
  - Reflect and evaluate IT management and development

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# Enterprise Applications

# ERP Evolution



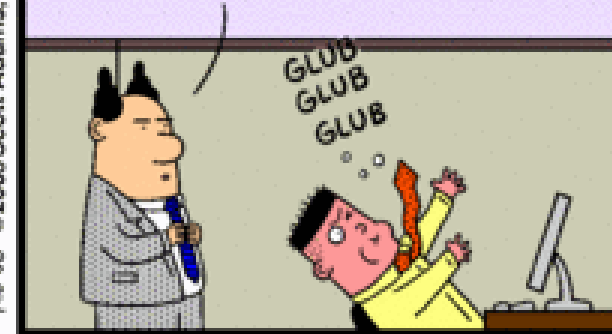
WE INADVERTENTLY BOUGHT AN ENTIRE ERP SYSTEM WITHOUT ANY SOFTWARE. NOW WE'RE OUT OF MONEY.



WHY DO I SUDDENLY FEEL AS IF MY BOAT IS SINKING AND SOMEONE NAILED AN ANCHOR TO MY HEAD?



IF ONLY SOMEONE ON MY STAFF COULD WRITE THE SOFTWARE IN HIS SPARE TIME...



- *Enterprise Resource Planning*
- Set of very integrated programs
- Information is introduced just once in the system
- Allows integration of information and processes supported in information
- Is supported in DBMS
- Customizable

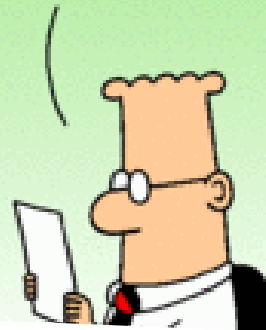
# Concept

I SAVED A FORTUNE  
BY PERSONALLY  
NEGOTIATING THE  
CONTRACT FOR OUR  
NEW ERP SYSTEM.



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YOU BOUGHT OUTDATED  
HARDWARE AND FORGOT  
SEVERAL COMPONENTS  
THAT ARE REQUIRED.



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AND I LIKE SOFTWARE  
WITH MY HARDWARE,  
BUT THAT'S JUST ME.



## Advantages of ERP

- Support business growth
- Change Legacy systems
- Improve business processes
- Reduce maintainance
- Reduce administrative Costs
- Prevent input of redundact data
- Decrease stoks maintance costs
- Decrease data entrance errors
- Multi currency systems are possible
- Decrease system operation costs
- Prevent delays and error in client orders
- Integrate applications
- Standardize processes

Figure 1: Magic Quadrant for Cloud ERP for Service-Centric Enterprises





# ERP: larger International Players



# ERP: Portuguese Players



# ERP Open Source

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ERP/CRM  
**Dolibarr**

**ERPNext**

# Invoice software certification (Portugal)

- Law:

- Portaria n.º 363/2010, de 23 de Junho
- Portaria n.º 22-A/2012, de 24 de janeiro
- Portaria n.º 340/2013, de 22 de novembro
- Especificação dos requisitos técnicos – Despacho n.º 8632/2014 de 03 de julho, do Diretor-Geral da AT
- [http://info.portaldasfinancas.gov.pt/pt/apoio\\_contribuinte/CertificacaoSoftware.htm](http://info.portaldasfinancas.gov.pt/pt/apoio_contribuinte/CertificacaoSoftware.htm)

- List of certified software

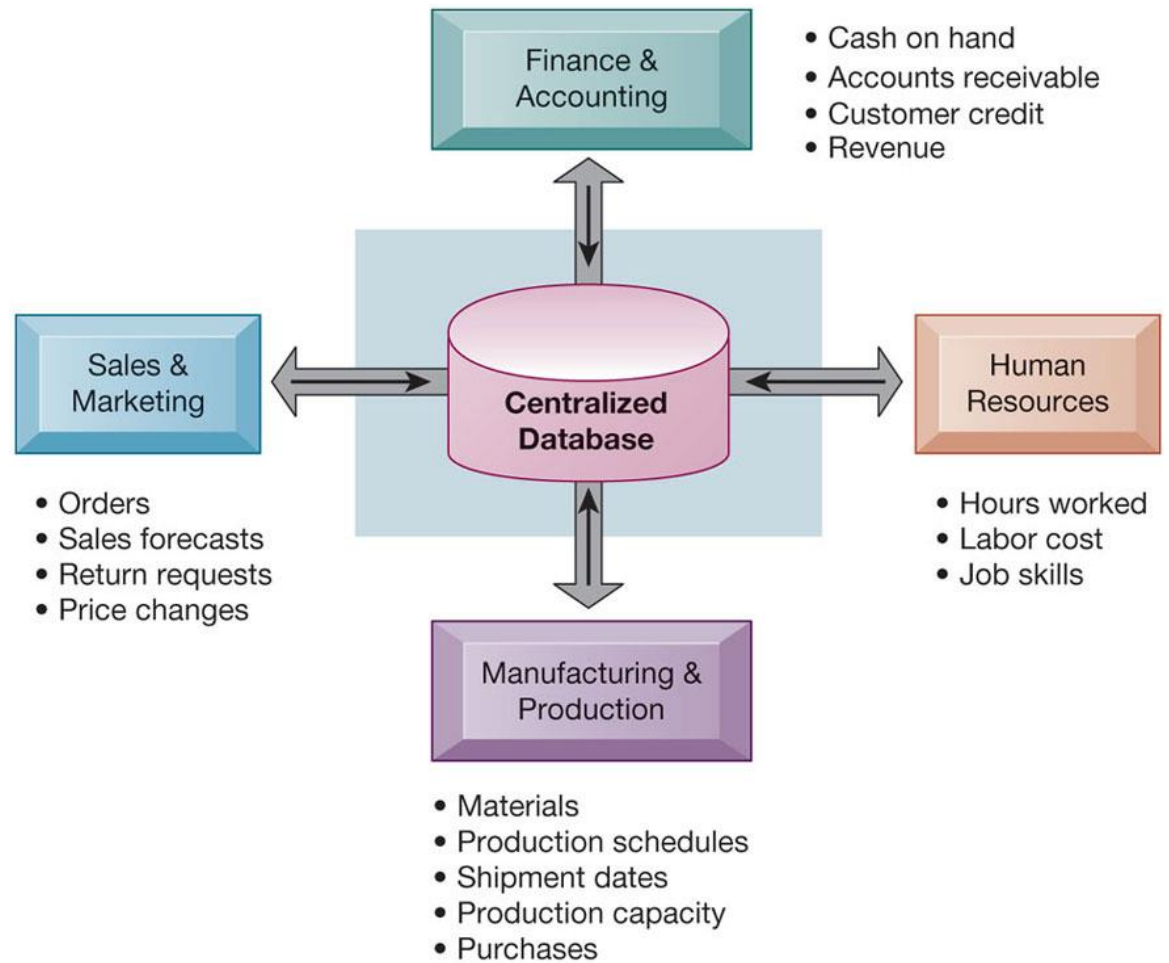
- <https://www.portaldasfinancas.gov.pt/pt/TC/Out/consultaProgCertificadosM24.action?&pagina=22>



# Invoice

- *Invoice*
- Legal definition(código art. 36º CIVA)
  - [http://info.portaldasfinancas.gov.pt/pt/informacao\\_fiscal/codigos\\_tributarios/civa\\_rep/iva36.htm](http://info.portaldasfinancas.gov.pt/pt/informacao_fiscal/codigos_tributarios/civa_rep/iva36.htm)
- Issuing of copy of invoice till 5 days after transaction
- Data and numbers sequential order
- Name of company, Address and Tax Number
- Quantities and Item names
- Price without taxes and tax rate applied
- Date where itens were supplied to client

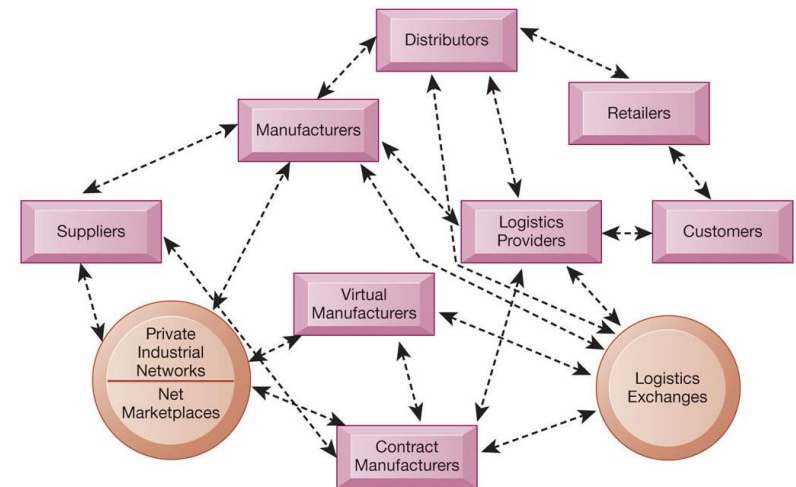
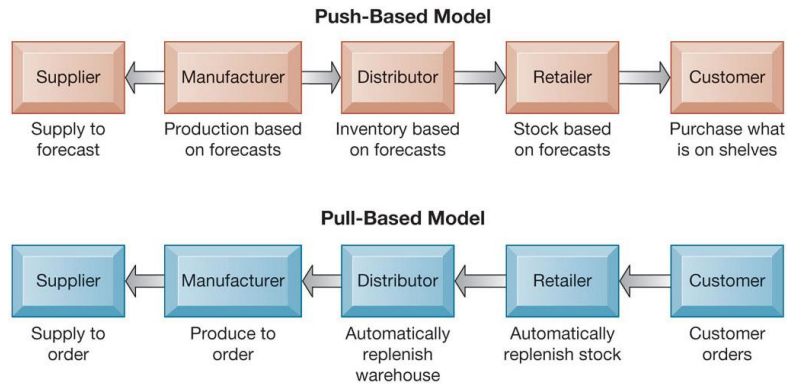
# Enterprise systems



# Supply chain management systems

- Supply chain planning systems
  - Model existing supply chain
  - Enable demand planning
  - Optimize sourcing, manufacturing plans
  - Establish inventory levels
  - Identify transportation modes
- Supply chain execution systems
  - Manage flow of products through distribution centers and warehouses

# How do supply chain management systems coordinate planning, production, and logistics with suppliers?



- Match supply to demand
- Reduce inventory levels
- Improve delivery service
- Speed product time to market
- Use assets more effectively
  - Total supply chain costs can be 75 percent of operating budget
- Increase sales

← Challenges





# Customer Relationship Management (CRM)





Operational

Analytical

Collaborative

# Types of CRM

- Operational CRM
  - Marketing automation
  - Sales automation
  - Customer service
- Analytical CRM
  - data, analysis, and reporting
- Collaborative CRM
  - Contact management
  - Channel management



# CRM Delivery Processes (1)

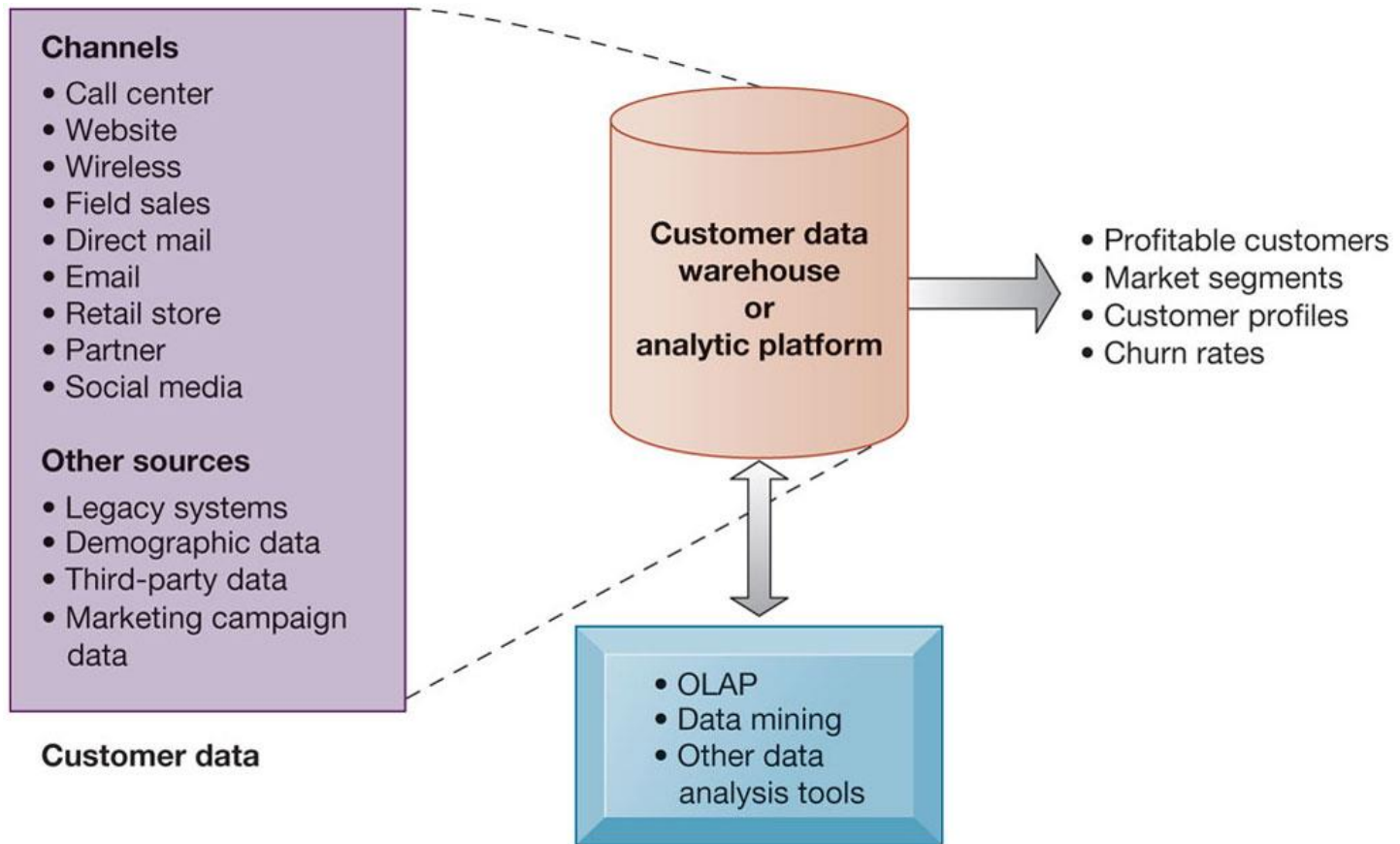
- Campaign Management
  - To generate leads or potential clients
- Sales Management
  - To convert lead into potential clients
- Service Management
  - Provide ongoing support for the client and assist in the operation of product or services
- Complaint Management
  - To improve customer satisfaction



# CRM Delivery Processes (2)

- Market Research
  - Focuses on systematic design, collection, analysis and reporting of data relative to sales activity
- Loyalty Management
  - Provides the processes to optimize the duration and intensity of relationships with customers
- Customer Profiling
  - Marketing profile of every customer
- Feedback Management
  - Gather, analyze and share customer information

# Analytical CRM



# CRM Software



Source: Gartner (June 2021)

# E-commerce



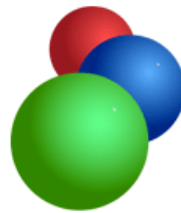
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## Features of e-commerce

- Internet and digital markets have changed the way companies conduct business
- Information asymmetry reduced
- Search and transaction costs reduced
- Dynamic pricing enabled
- Switching costs
- Delayed gratification
- Disintermediation



**PrestaShop**



**osCommerce**  
Open Source E-Commerce



# Trends

- Augmented Reality Shopping Experiences
- Blockchain For Supply Chain Transparency
- Customized Loyalty Programs
- Eco-Friendly E-Commerce
- Stronger Security And Privacy Measures
- More Personalized Subscription Models

# M-commerce

- M-commerce in 2017 is 35 percent of all e-commerce
- Fastest growing form of e-commerce
  - Growing at 20 percent or more per year
- Main areas of growth
  - Mass market retailing (Amazon, eBay, etc.)
  - Sales of digital content (music, T V, etc.)
  - In-app sales to mobile devices

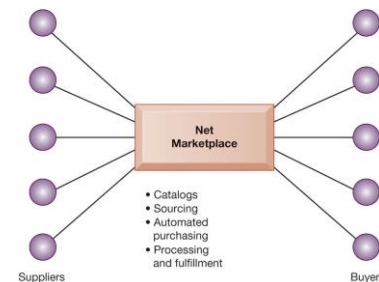
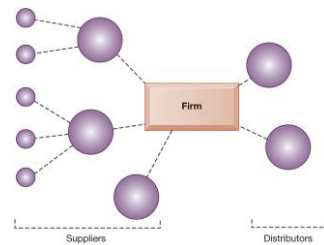


# How has e-commerce transformed marketing?

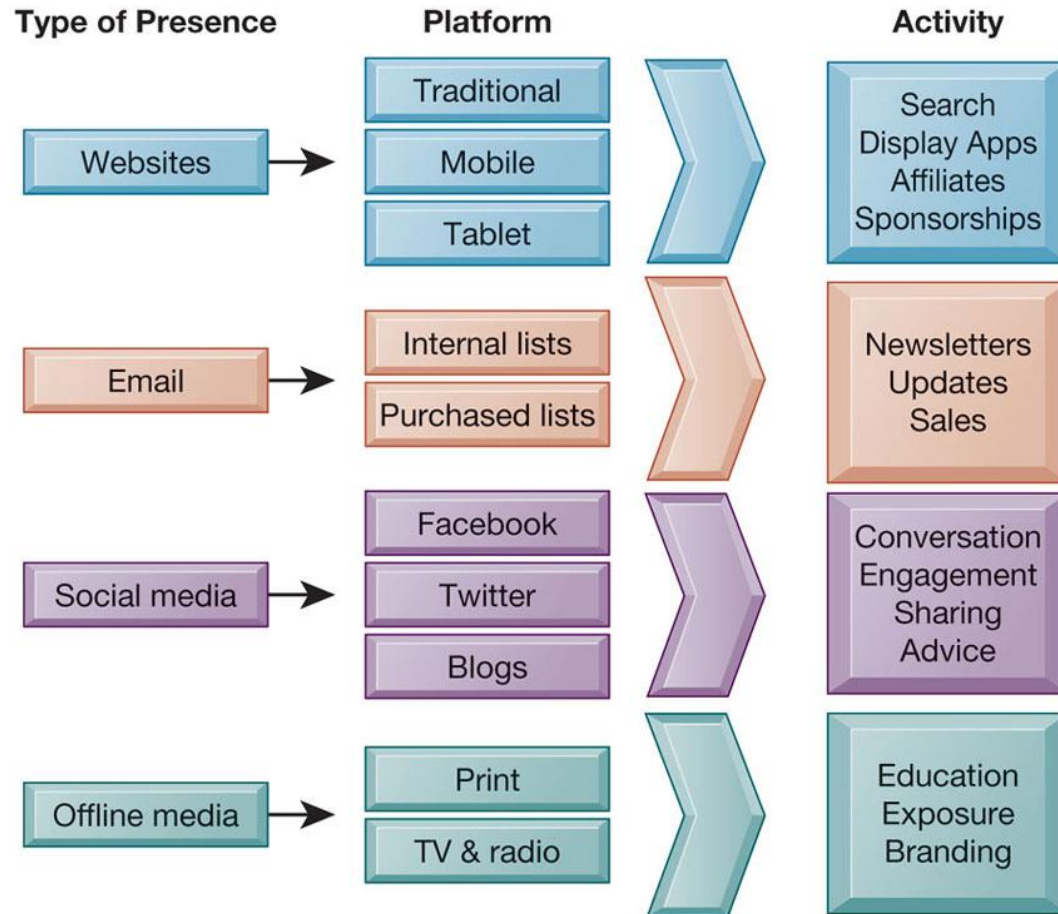
- Internet provides new ways to identify and communicate with customers
- Long tail marketing
- Internet advertising formats
- Behavioral targeting
  - Tracking online behavior of individuals
- Social commerce

# How has e-commerce affected business-to-business transactions?

- U.S. B2B trade in 2020 was \$14.5 trillion
  - U.S. B2B e-commerce in 2019 is \$6.7 trillion
- Internet and networking helps automate procurement
- Variety of Internet-enabled technologies used in B2B
  - Electronic data interchange (EDI)
  - Private industrial networks (private exchanges)
  - Net marketplaces
  - Exchanges



# What issues must be addressed when building an e-commerce presence?

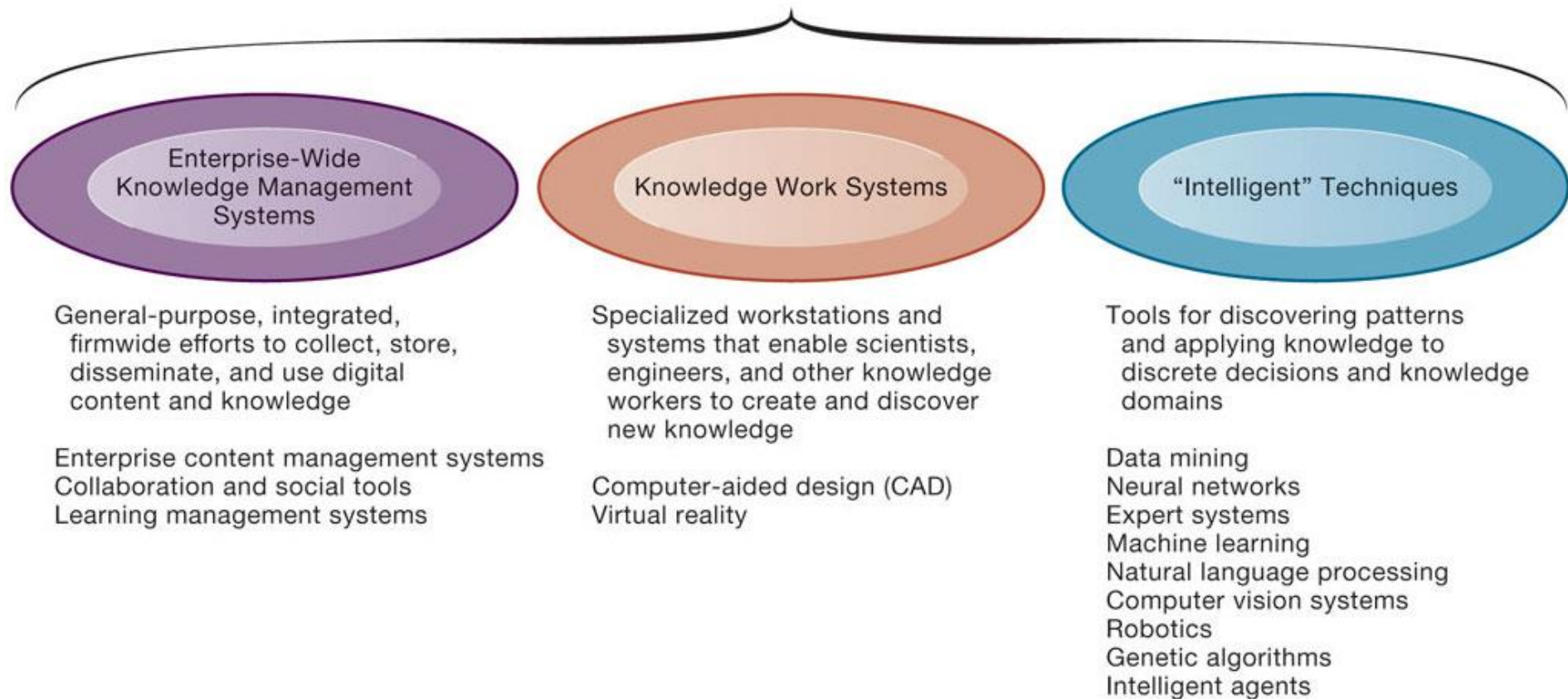


# **Managing Knowledge and Artificial Intelligence**

# Knowledge Management Systems

- Knowledge management systems among fastest growing areas of software investment
- Information economy
  - 37 percent U.S. labor force: knowledge and information workers
  - 55 percent U.S. GDP from knowledge and information sectors
- Substantial part of a firm's stock market value is related to intangible assets: knowledge, brands, reputations, and unique business processes
- Well-executed knowledge-based projects can produce extraordinary ROI

# Types of Knowledge Management Systems







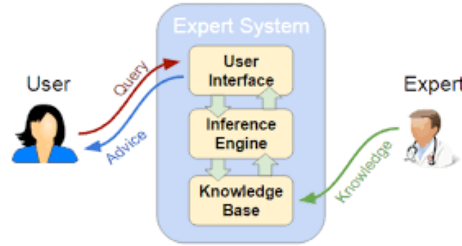
# WHAT IS A.I.?

## Artificial intelligence

- refers to the development of computer-based solutions that are able to perform tasks which mimic human intelligence.



### 1956 Dartmouth Conference: The Founding Fathers of AI



## Expert Systems



Symbolic AI

Heuristic Search

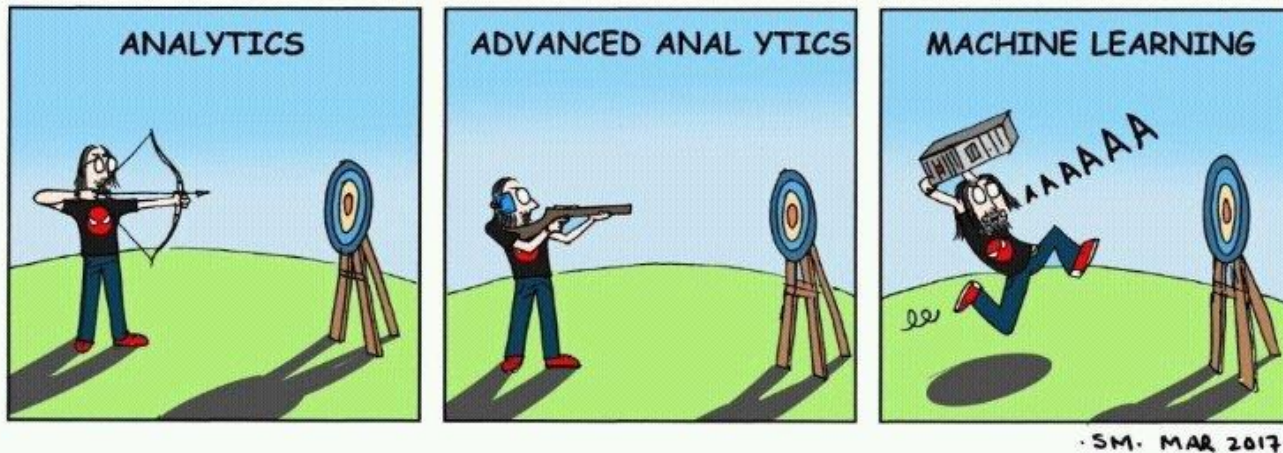
Winter 1

Knowledge Engineering

Winter 2

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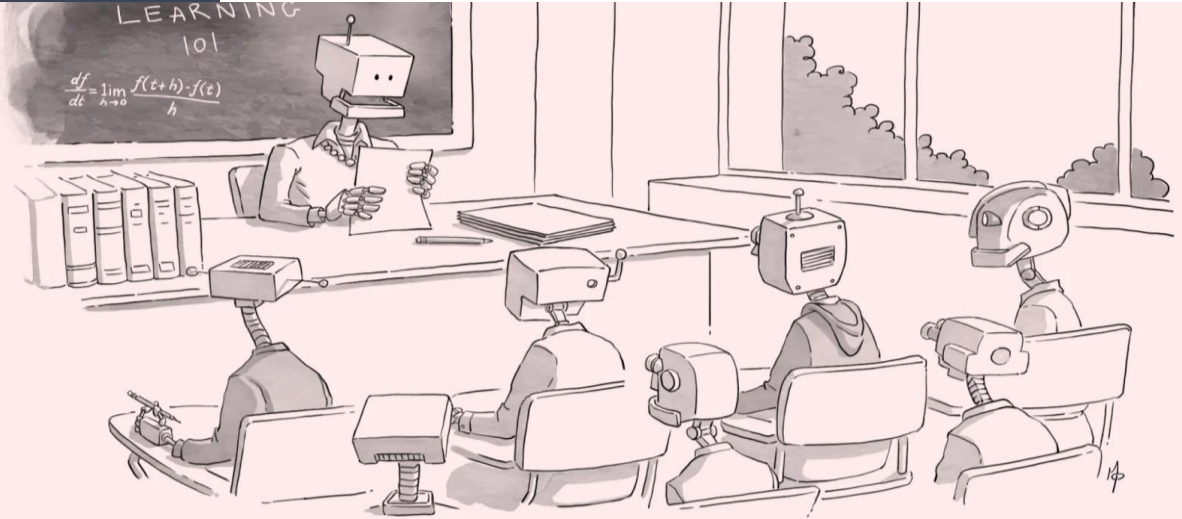
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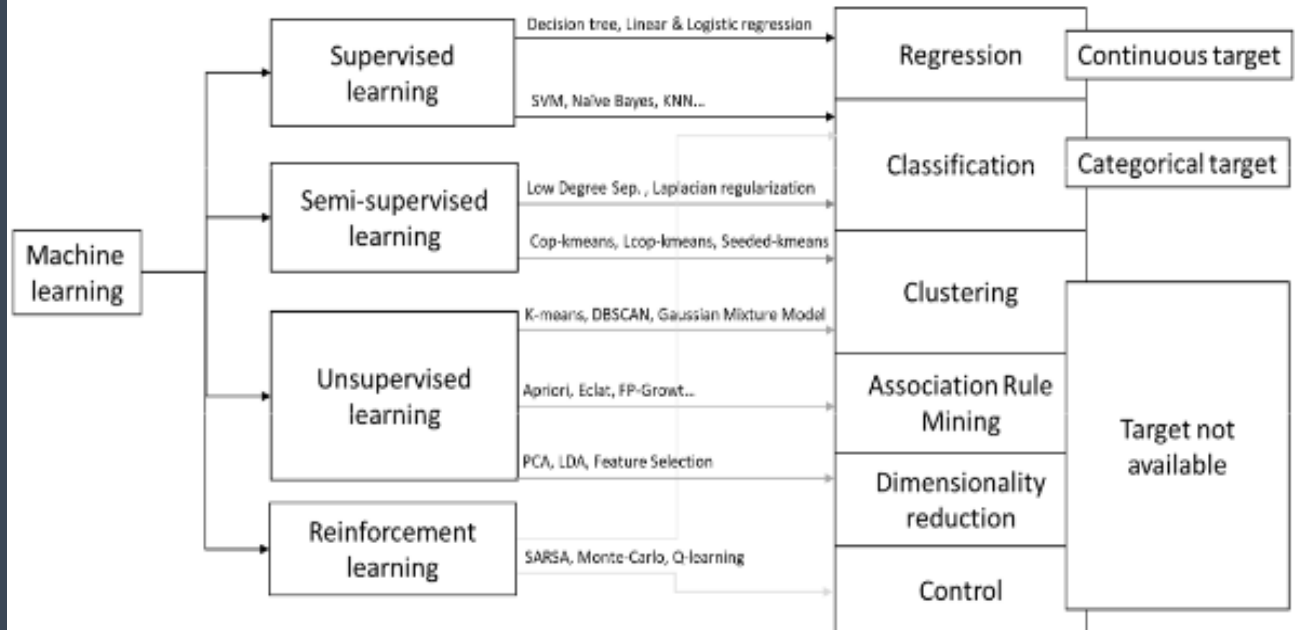
# Machine Learning

- It is as a subset of artificial intelligence that enable systems to learn patterns from data and subsequently improve from experience.

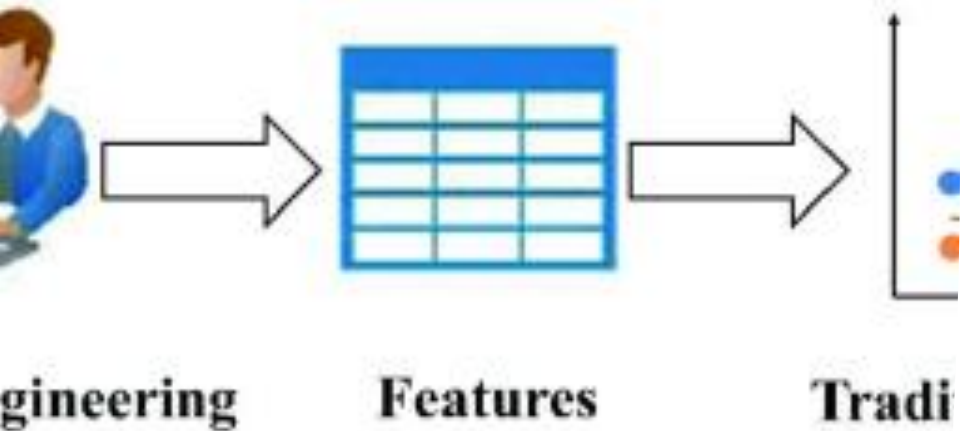
# Machine Learning Algorithms



*"Be sure to turn in your Turing tests before the end of class."*



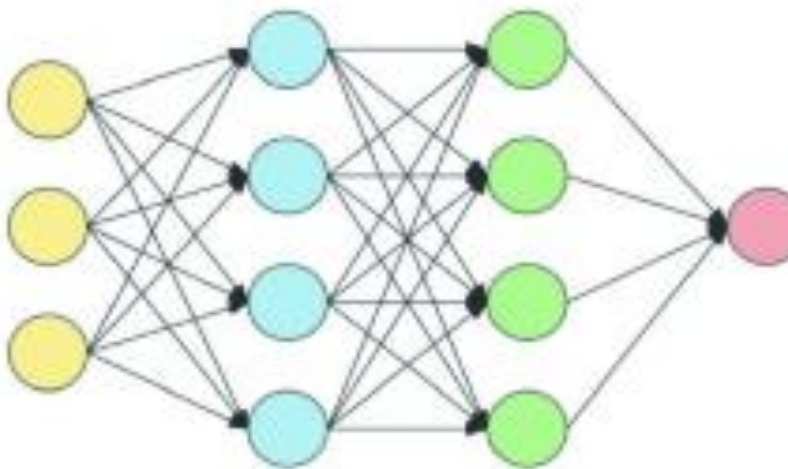
# Additional machine learn



## Deep learning

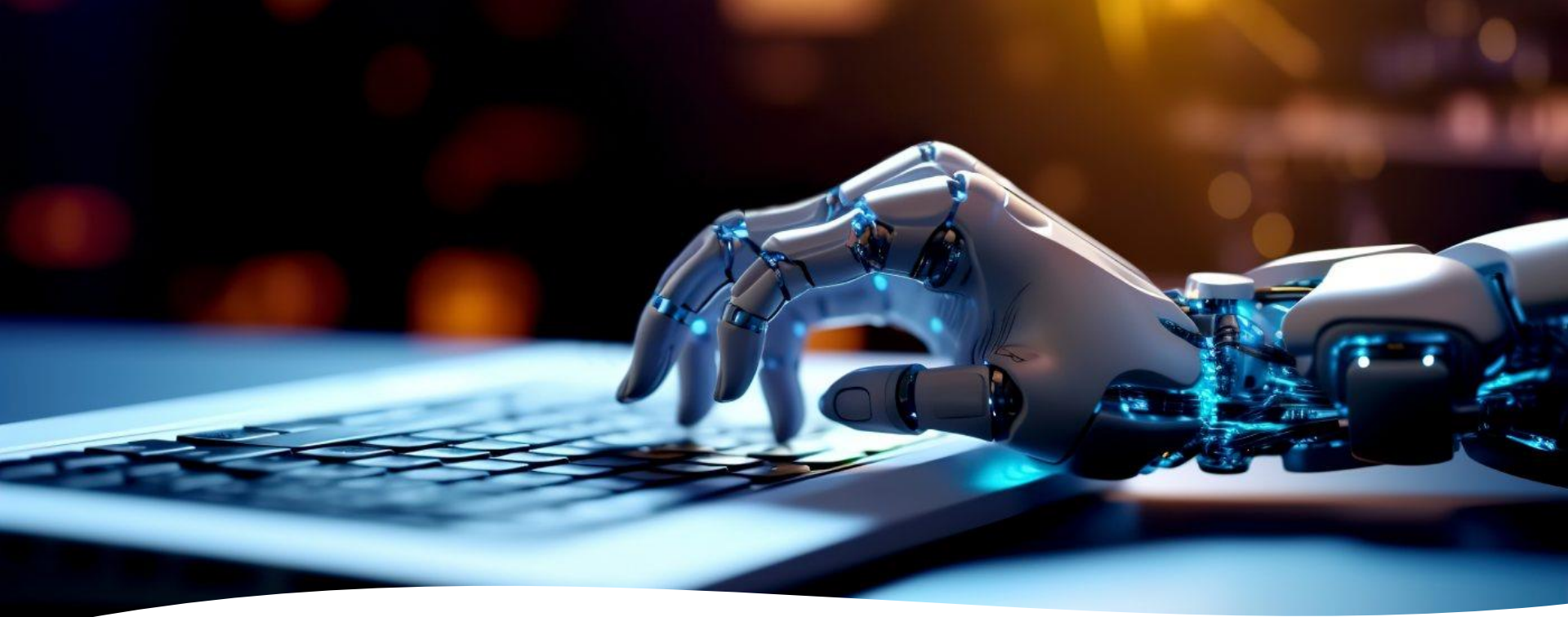
- is a subfield of machine learning
- focuses on the development and application of artificial neural networks, particularly deep neural networks.
- composed of layers of interconnected nodes (artificial neurons) that can learn and make decisions.
- The term "deep" refers to the use of multiple layers in the neural network.

## Deep learning



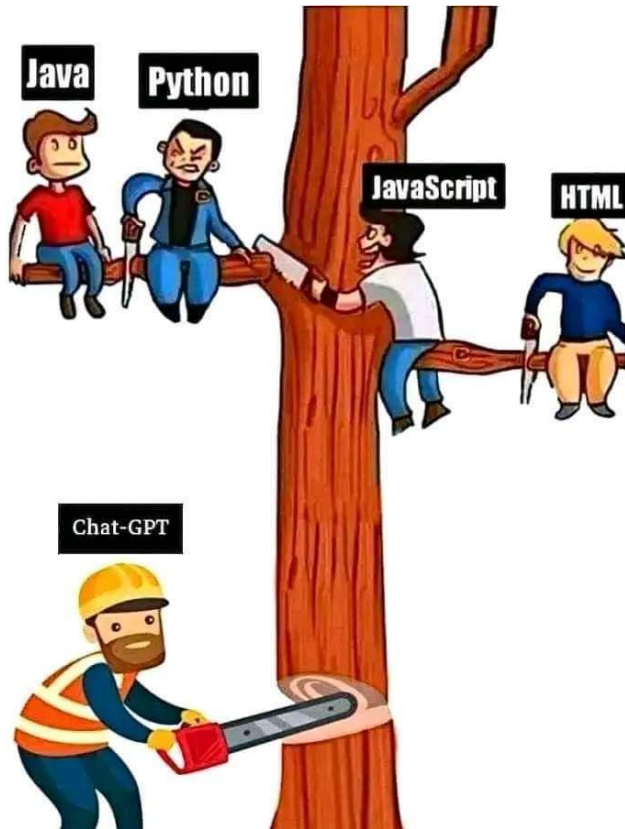
Feature learning + classification





# Generative AI

- Class of AI algorithms and models that are designed to generate new, original content.
- Gen AI learn the underlying patterns and structures in the data and can generate novel outputs.
- *Instead of being trained on specific examples and then making predictions or classifications*
- These models are particularly good at creating content that resembles or is similar to the data they were trained on.



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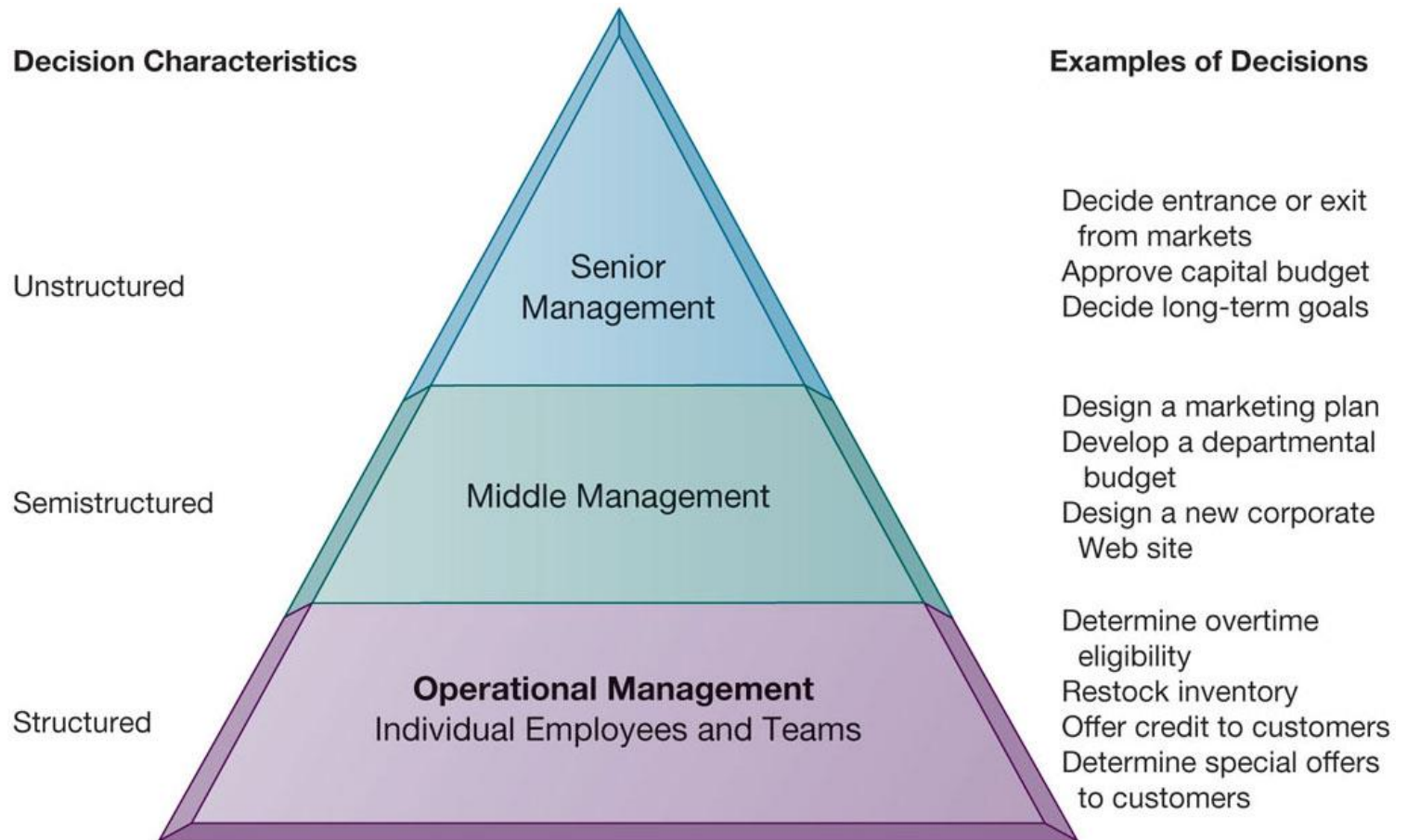
# Generative AI

- Impacts of Generative AI
- Do your job? Replacing you?

# Enhancing Decision Making

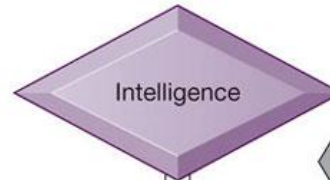


# Types of Decisions

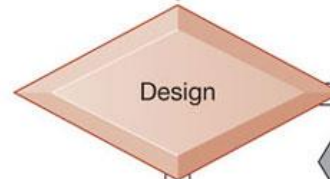


# The Decision-Making Process

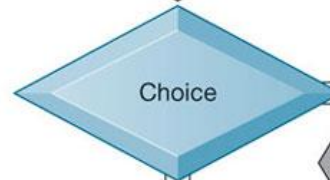
Problem discovery:  
What is the problem?



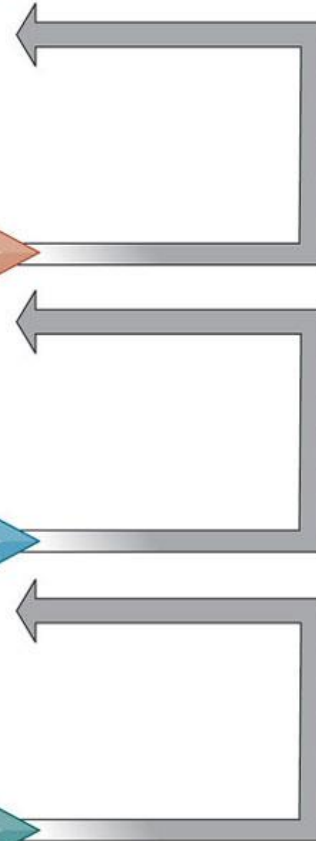
Solution discovery:  
What are the possible solutions?



Choosing solutions:  
What is the best solution?



Solution testing:  
Is the solution working?  
Can we make it work better?





## information systems & decision making

Three main reasons why investments in IT do not always produce positive results

- **Information quality**
  - High-quality decisions require high-quality information
- **Management filters**
  - Managers have selective attention and have variety of biases that reject information that does not conform to prior conceptions
- **Organizational inertia and politics**
  - Strong forces within organizations resist making decisions calling for major change

# Enhancing Decision Making

**Power Users:  
Producers  
(20% of employees)**

IT developers

Super users

Business analysts

Analytical modelers

## Capabilities

Production Reports

Parameterized Reports

Dashboards/Scorecards

Ad hoc queries; Drill down  
Search/OLAP

Forecasts; What if  
Analysis; statistical models

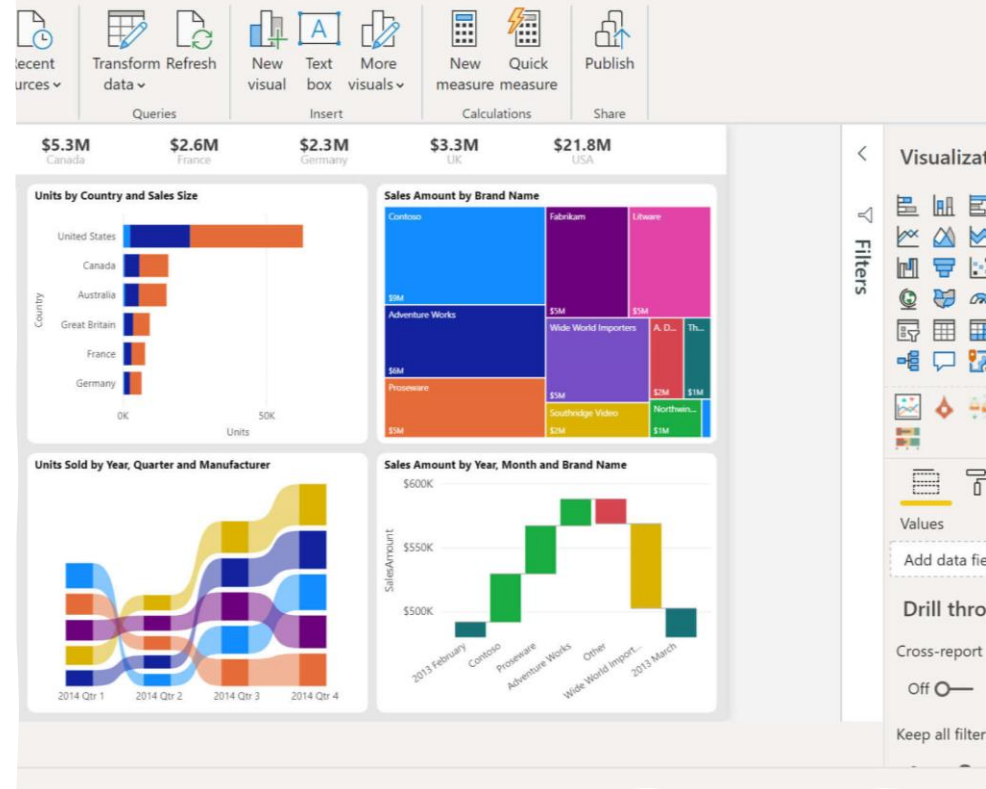
**Casual Users:  
Consumers  
(80% of employees)**

Customers/suppliers  
Operational employees

Senior managers

Managers/Staff

Business analysis



# Power BI

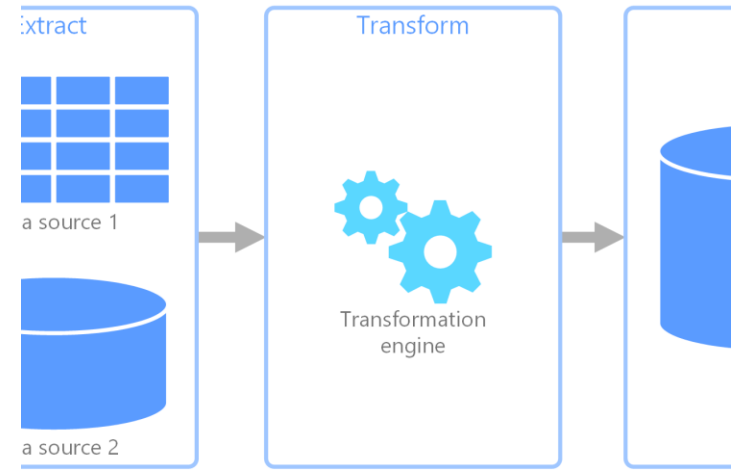
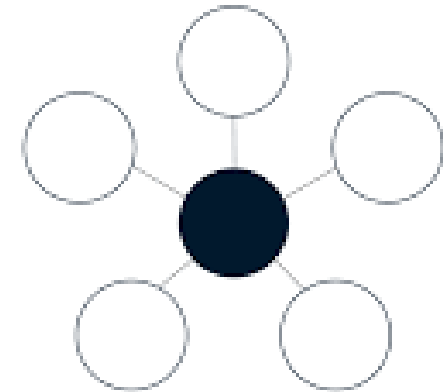
- Create Dashboards
- Developed by Microsoft

# Business Intelligence

- ETL – Extract Transform and Load
- Schema
- Types



Star schema



# Next Session

- IT in Business and Society
- IT Infrastructure
- Key Systems Applications
- **Build and Manage Systems**



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