

Does the Human Brain Resort to AI's Deep Learning in Order to Solve Problems

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I. The problem

Problem solving is a daily occurrence in business and, also, in human brains. Businesses resort to a variety of modes in order to find an answer to these problems. Human brains adopt, also, a variety of measures to solve their own brand of problems. Artificial Intelligence technologies seem to have been extending a helping hand to business in the search for problem solving mechanisms. Machine learning and deep learning are currently recognized as prime modes for business insight and problem solving. Does the human brain possess competencies and instruments that could compare to the deep learning technologies adopted by AI?

This will be the focus of the following article.

The article is eclectic. It draws on concepts and frameworks from psychology, neurology and management. It starts with

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cases, could be structured or unstructured, functional or multi-functional, conceptual or applied, short or long term, high risk or low risk etc.

Is it plausible that the human brain is adopting its own version of deep learning in its search for an answer to the myriad of problem situations that it confronts? It resorts to a process of “management” of memory and learning. Memory provides the ability to encode, store, retain and subsequently recall information and past experiences. Brain’s consequently learns. A learning that depends on several criteria from time, long and short term learning, to transparency, explicit or implicit learning and depth of analysis, deep or generic learning.

These cognitive processes of the brain contribute to problem solving. Drucker’s self-management problem provides an illustration.

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