

# Artificial creativity or controlled randomness?

Potential and limitation of machine learning technology  
in the creative industry

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How humans collaborate with AI in Painting and Music

What are AI and creativity?

Human creativity vs. artificial creativity

Conclusion





# How humans collaborate with AI in Painting and Music

Original



+ grass



+ tree





# How humans collaborate with AI in Painting and Music



Original

Turner



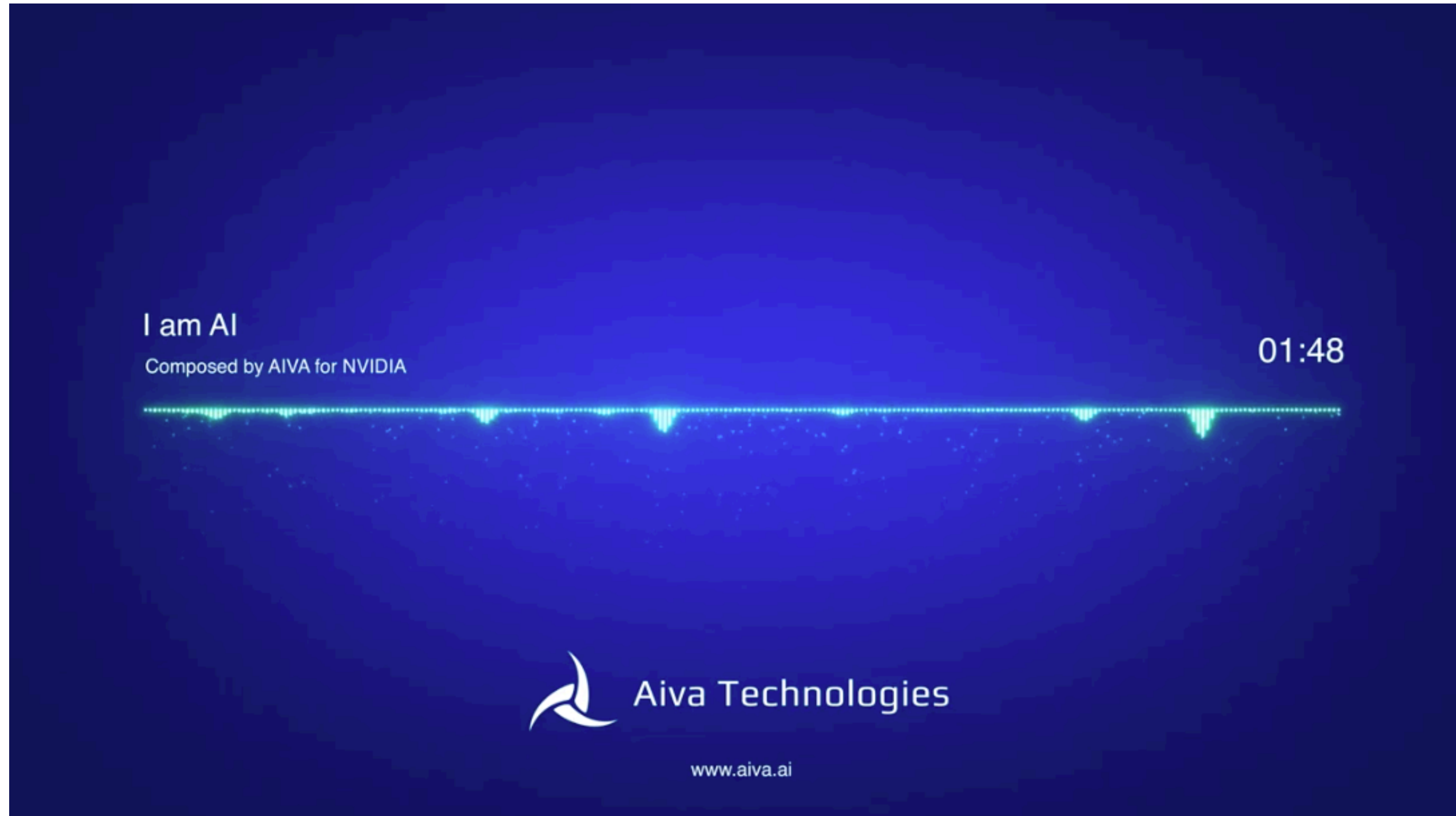
Gogh

Munch





# How humans collaborate with AI in Painting and Music



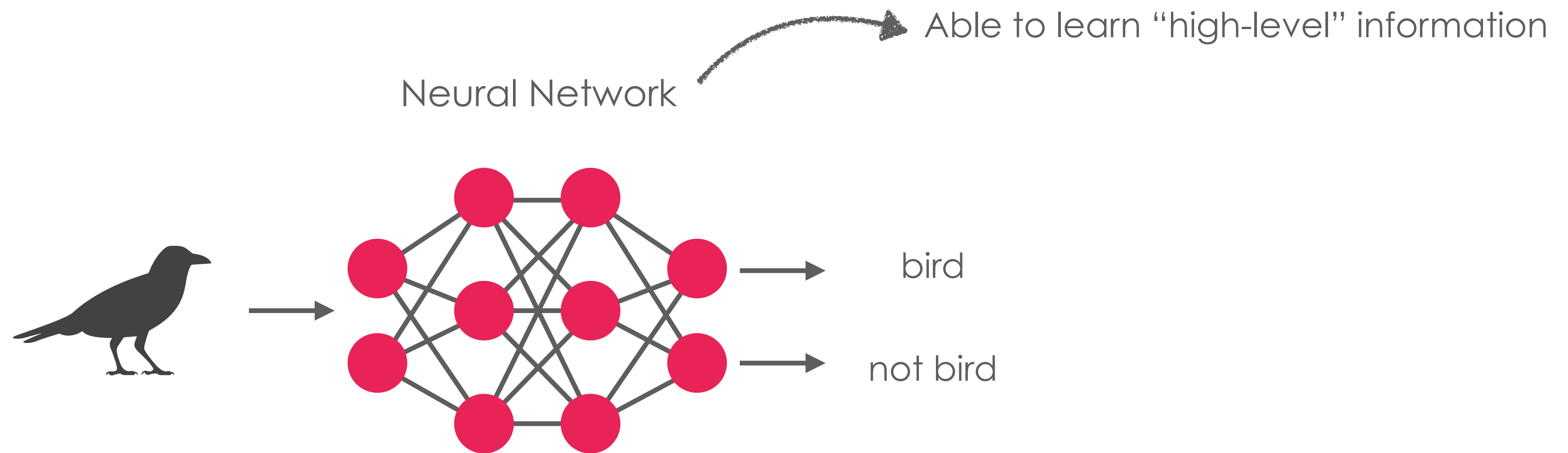
## **What is AI?**

Intelligence of machines, not humans and animals.

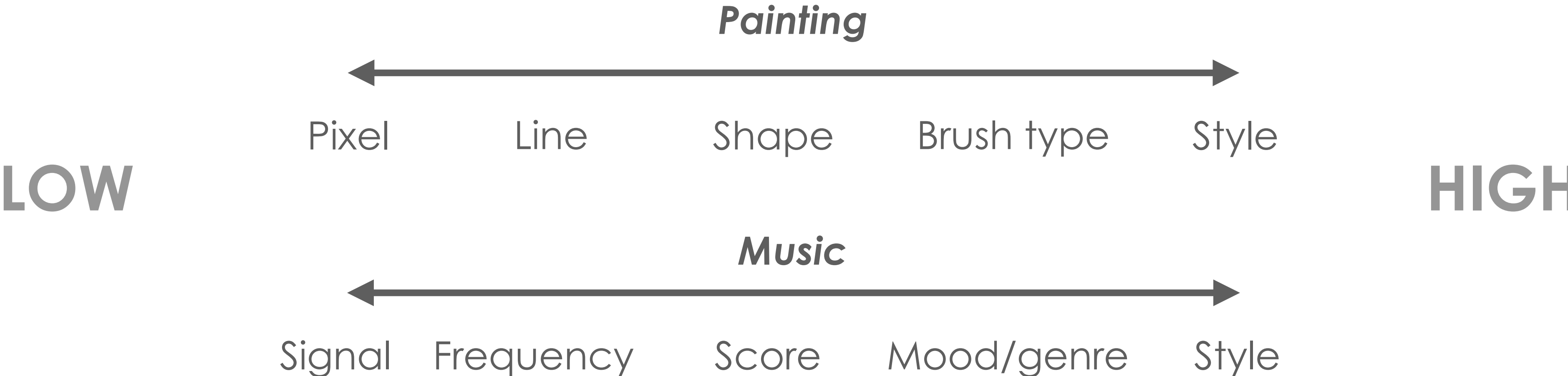
Recently emerged again mostly due to deep learning.



# Deep learning can learn high-level information

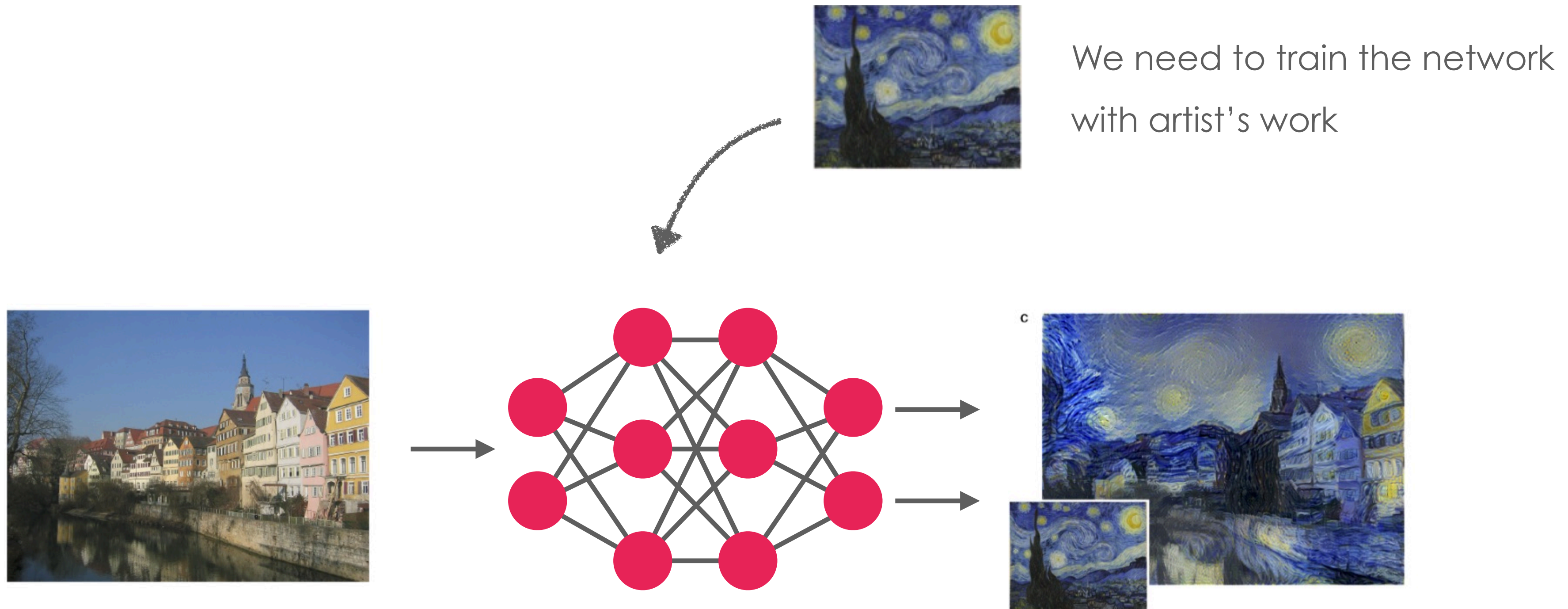


# Deep learning can learn high-level information





# Deep learning learn from the existing results



## **What is creativity?**

the use of the imagination or original ideas,  
especially in the production of an artistic work.









Is my computer as creative as Van Gogh ?





## What is creativity?

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especially in the production of artistic work.



## Human creativity

Original ideas

## Artificial creativity

Not totally original ideas, but...

Create something that does not exist

Able to mimic human style (to some extent)

Much faster than human





## How about Deepmind's AlphaGo then?

There is a clear measure for “score”, also “lose”, and “win” which is quantitative, where art is much more **qualitative**.



# Artificial creativity can create new music

- Can be used for background music
  - In a moderate quality
  - Sound similar to what human made
  - Without copyright
  - Can give new idea to human
- Not a novel and unique idea, but generated inside of pattern with randomness (e.g. same chord sequence with different melody)
  - Rely on serendipity





## Conclusion

- Computers can generate artistic things in reasonably high quality, achieved at a level that people can not distinguish from human's work for some of the tasks.
- The results are not completely novel or unique. It can be seen as finding patterns of existing works and generate inside of that pattern with randomness.
- Artificial creativity is different from human's creativity, but it has the potential for replacing many tasks that require "moderate quality" only.



Thank you



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