

# Fast and Accurate PPA Modelling using Transfer Learning

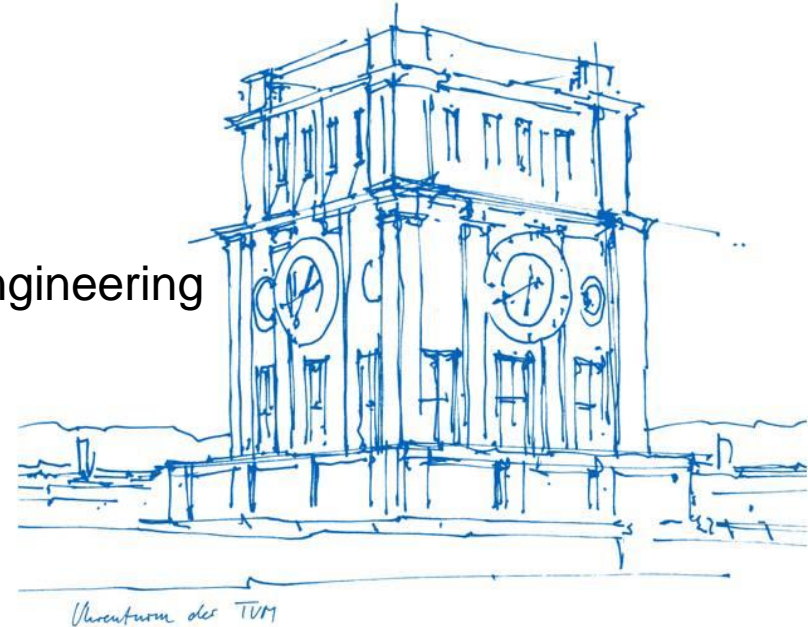
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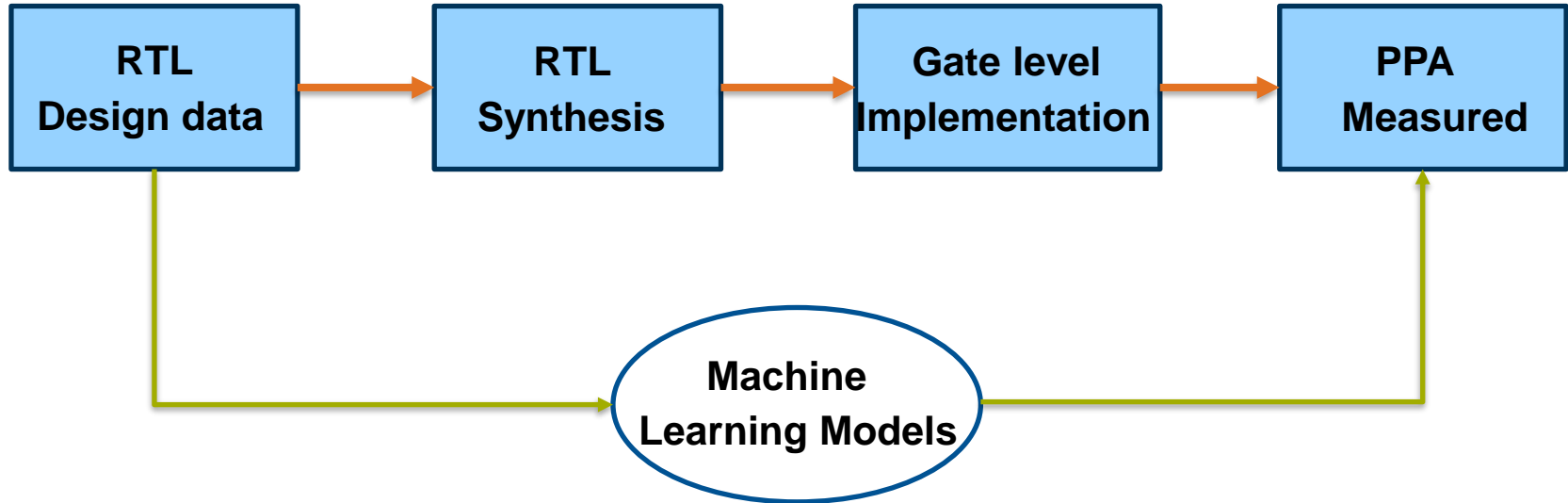


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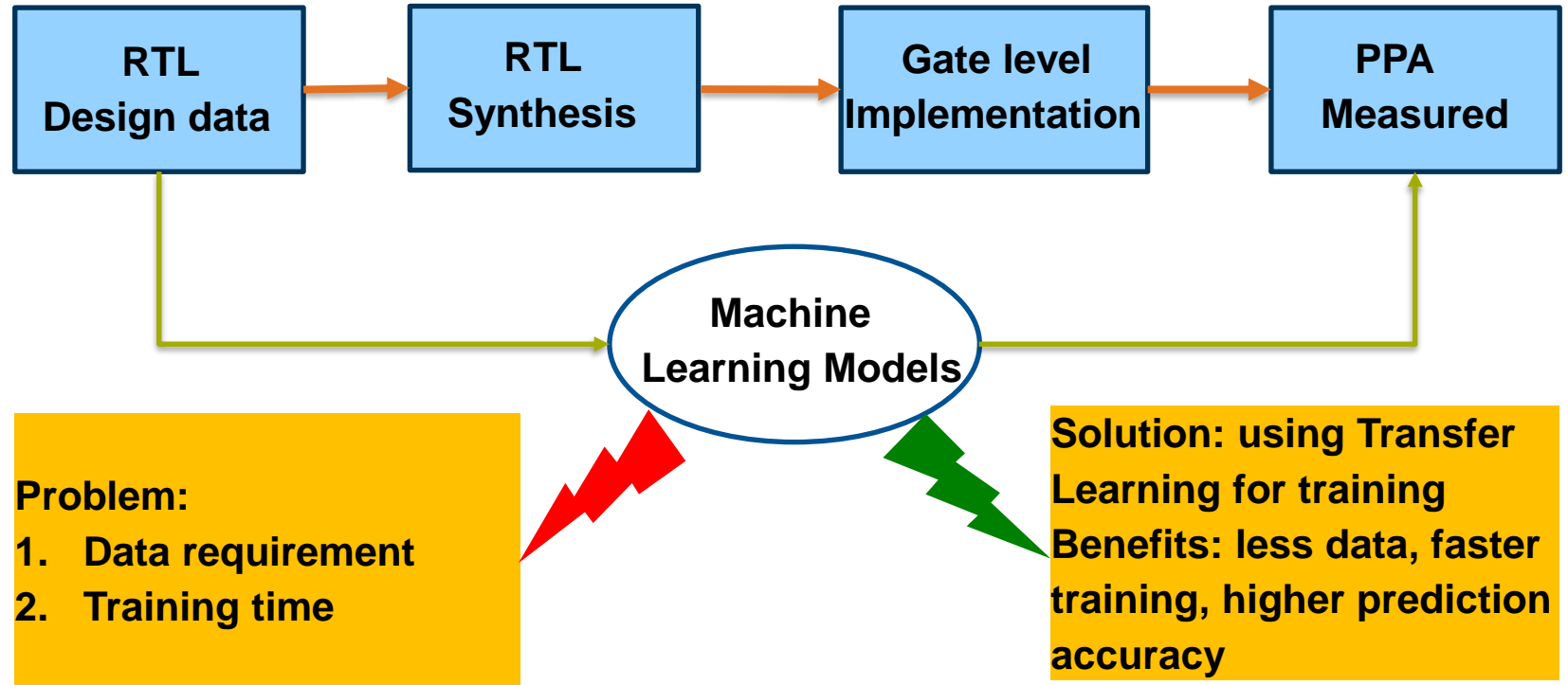
# 1.Introduction

→ Traditional Methods  
→ Recent Methods



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# 1.Introduction



## 2. State of the Art

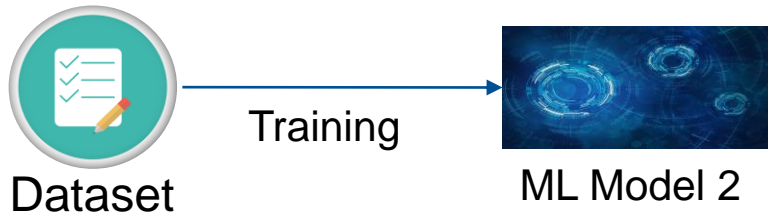
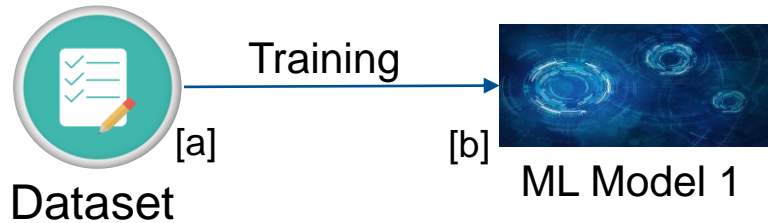
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Networks  
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ML  
Framework  
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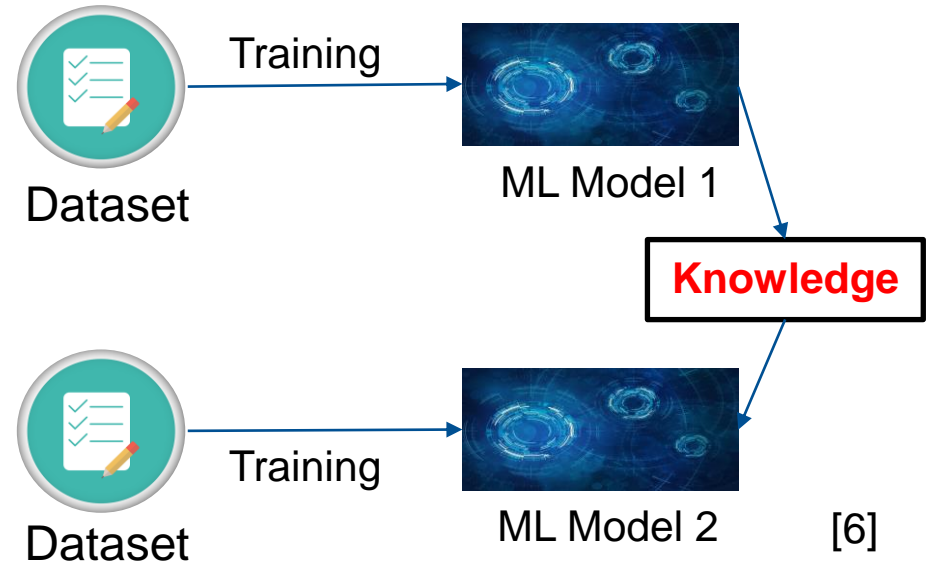
Feed  
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### 3. Transfer Learning

Training in traditional Machine Learning (ML) methods.

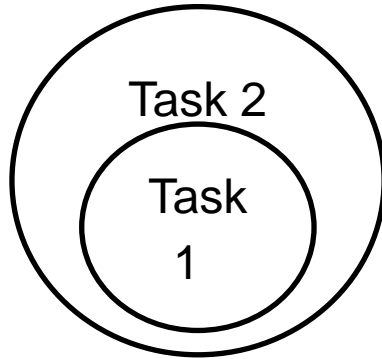


Training using Transfer Learning



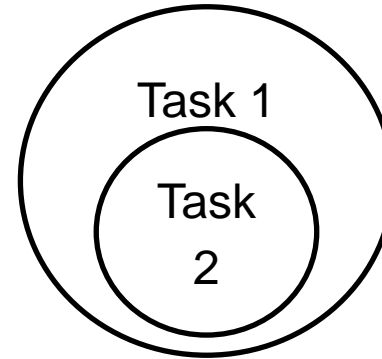
## 3.1 Where can Transfer Learning be used ?

Case I

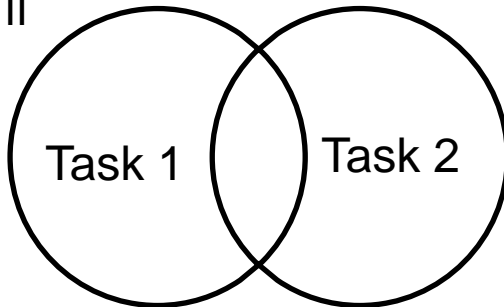


Case III

**Trivial**

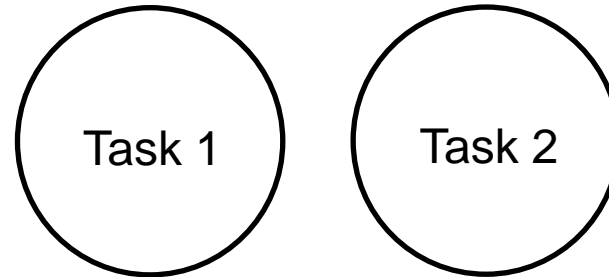


Case II



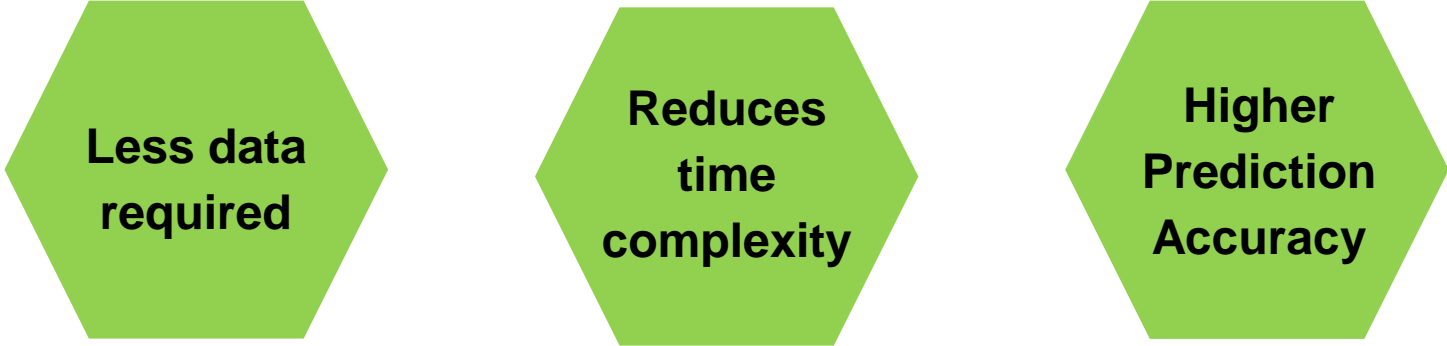
Case IV

**Not possible**



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## 3.2 Why is Transfer Learning used?



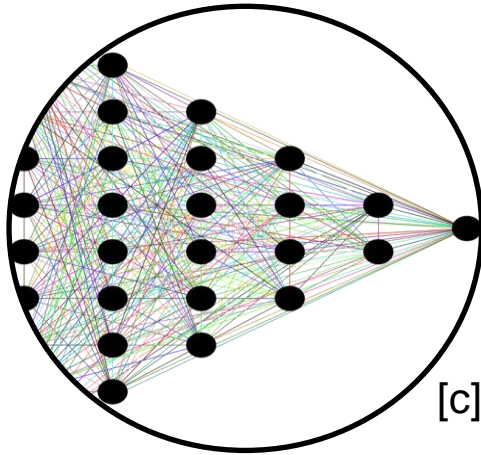
**Less data  
required**

**Reduces  
time  
complexity**

**Higher  
Prediction  
Accuracy**

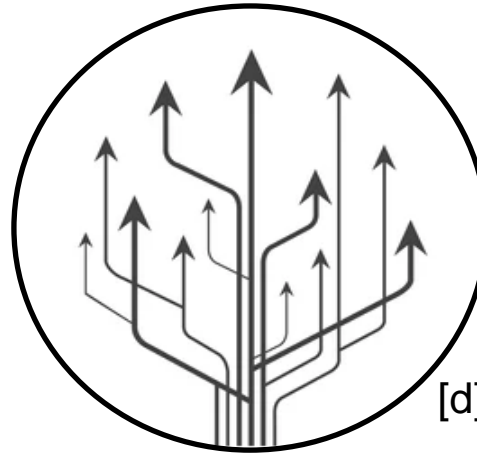


## 4. Machine Learning Models



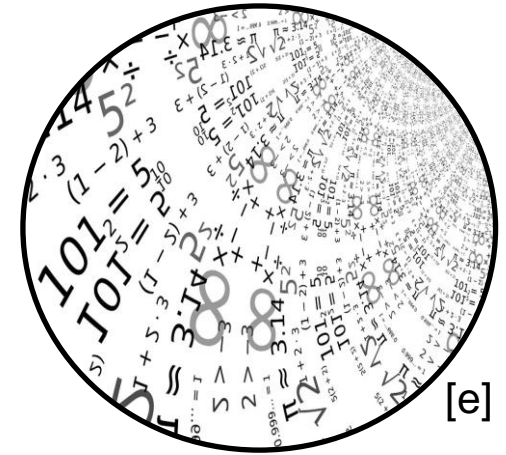
[c]

Neural Networks



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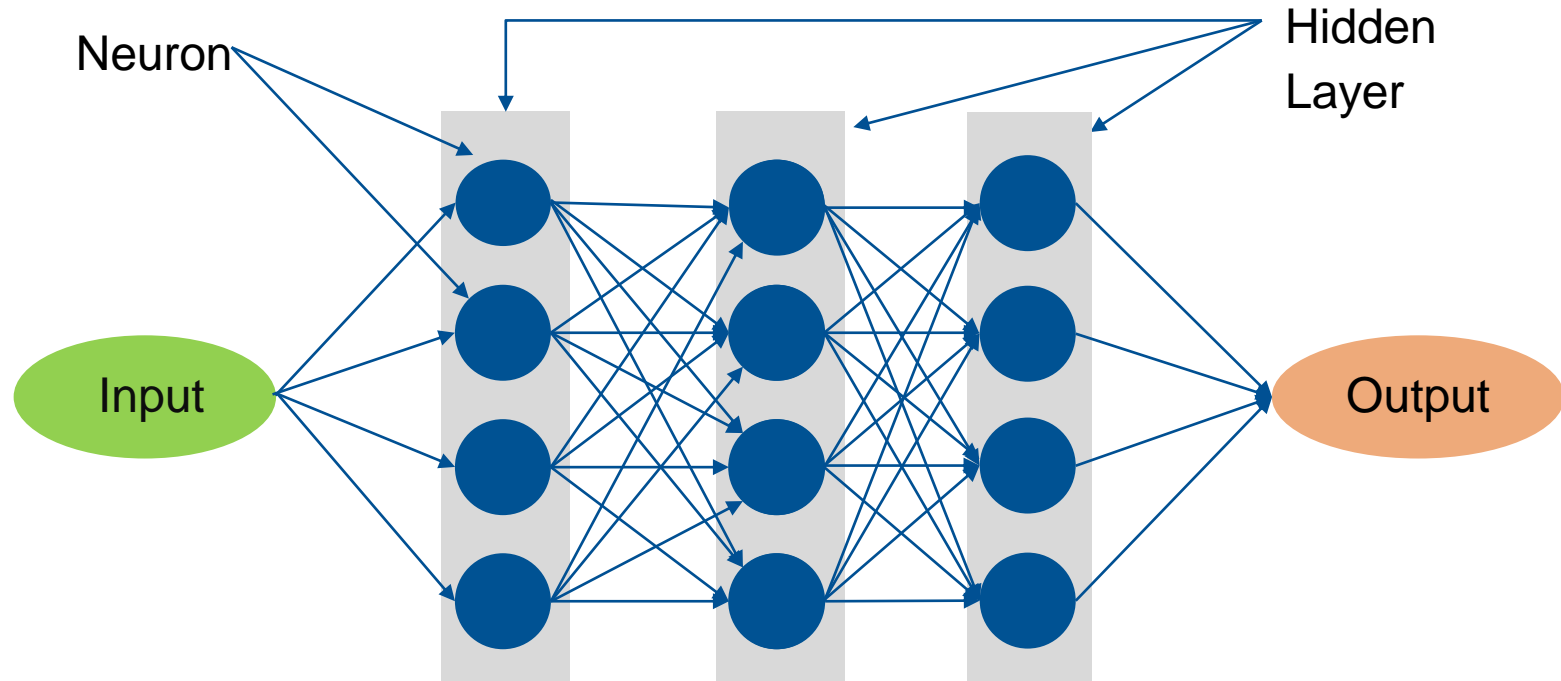
Decision Trees



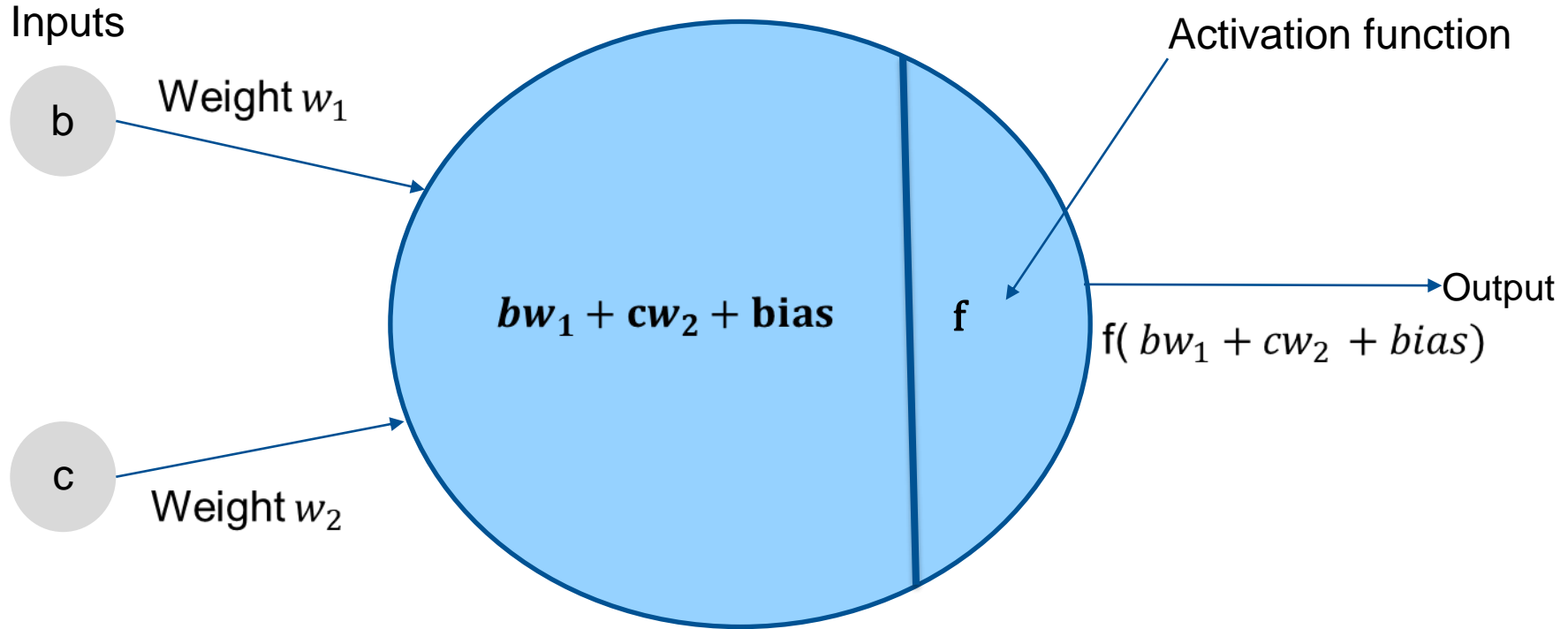
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Gradient Boost  
Regressor

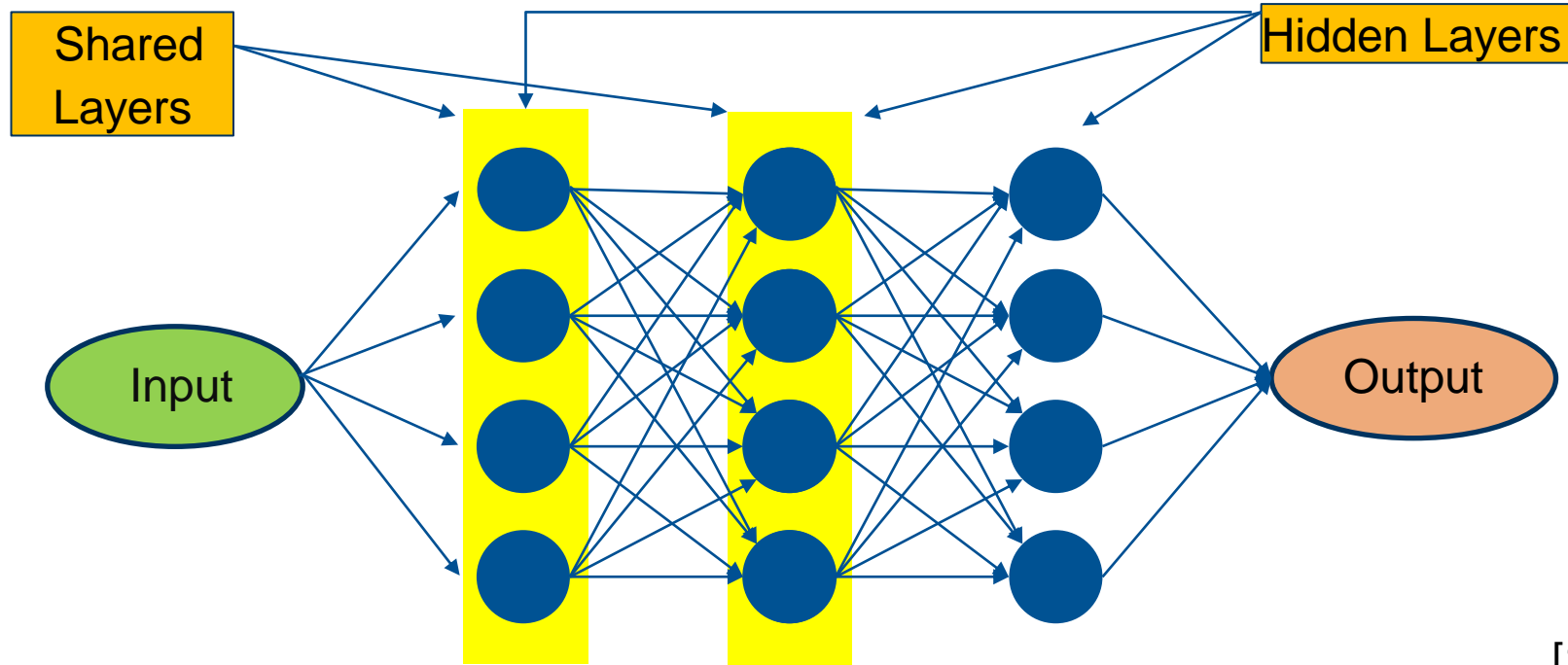
## 4.1.1 Neural Networks



## 4.1.2 Inside a Neuron



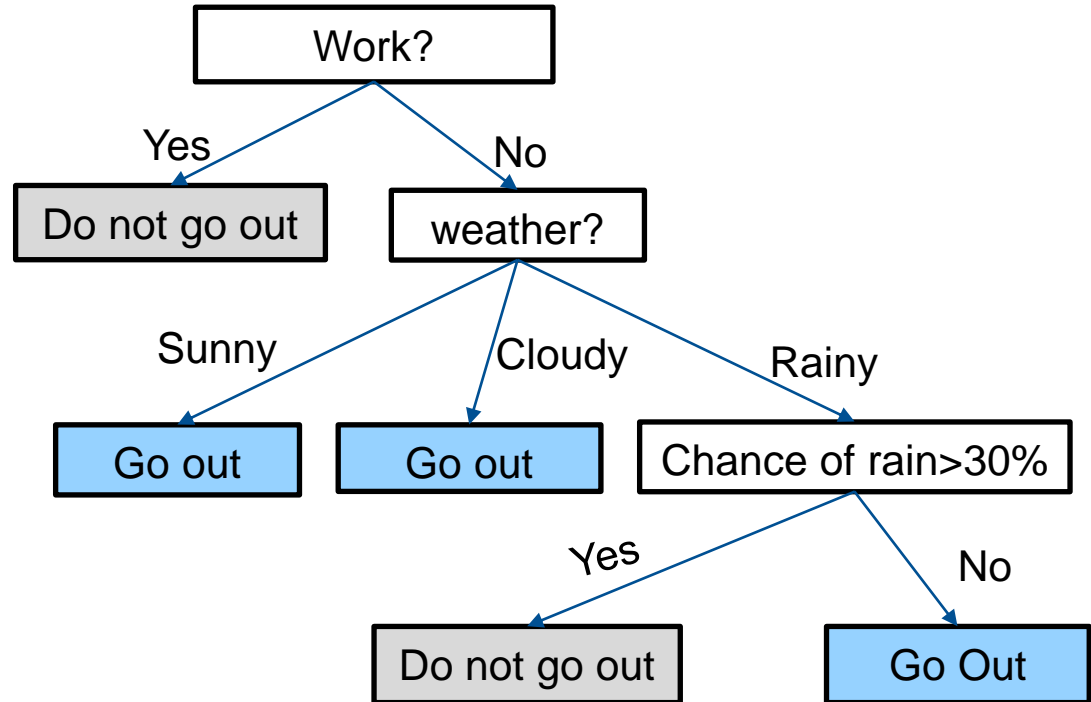
## 4.1.3 Transfer Learning in Neural Networks



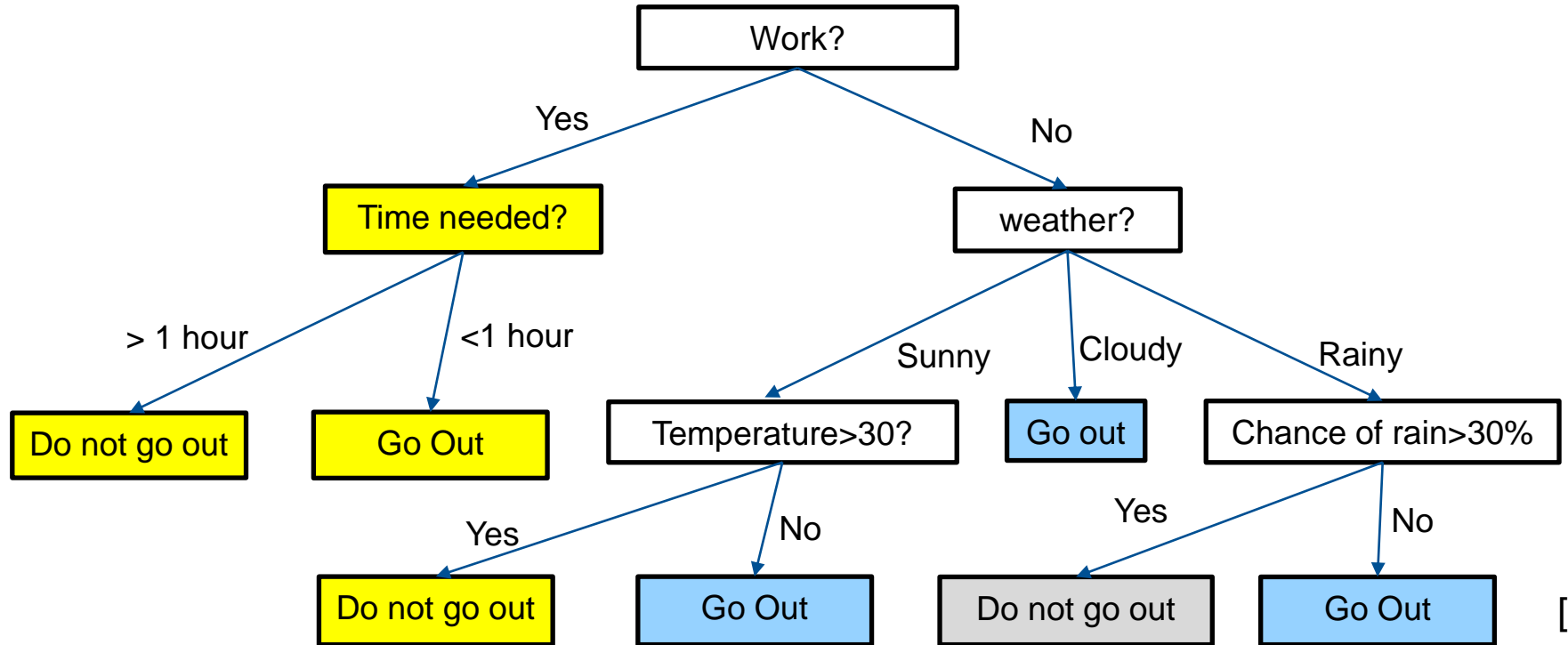
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## 4.2.1 Decision Trees

Initial Decision  
Tree



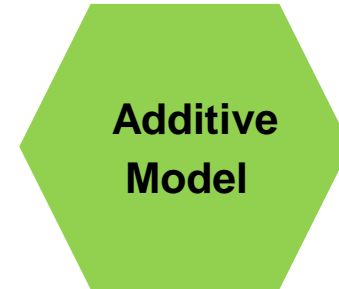
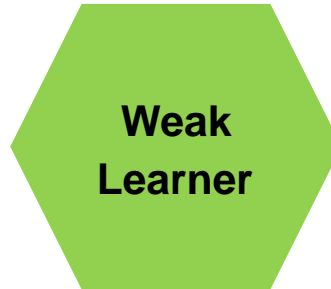
## 4.2.2 Transfer Learning in Decision Trees



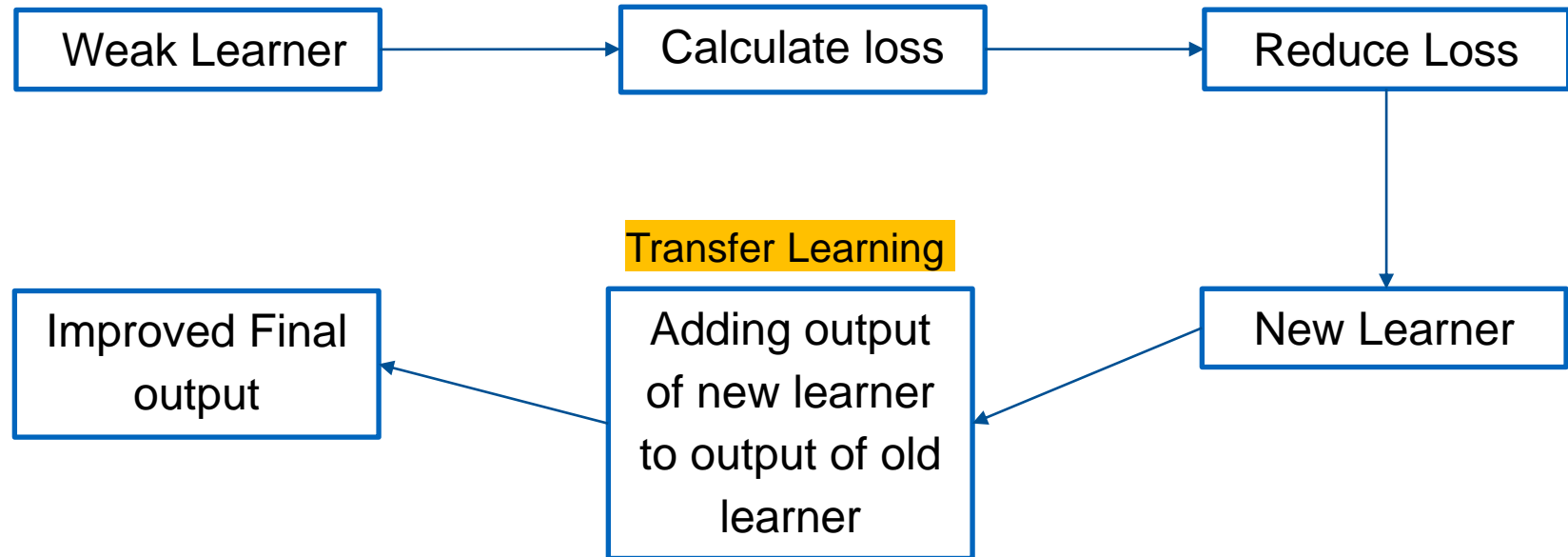
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## 4.3.1 Gradient Boost Regressor

Elements involved in Gradient Boosting:



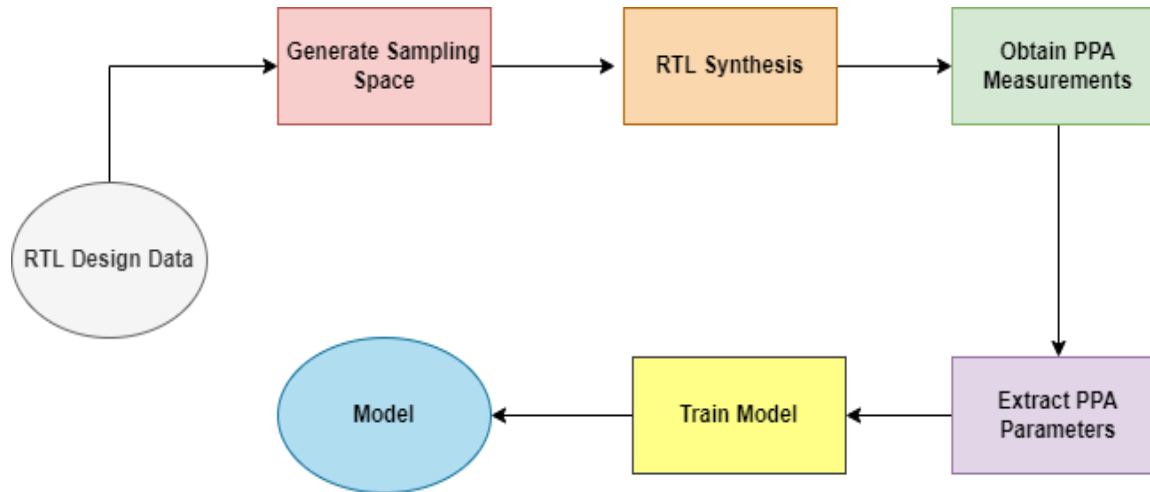
## 4.3.2 Transfer Learning in Gradient Boost Regressor



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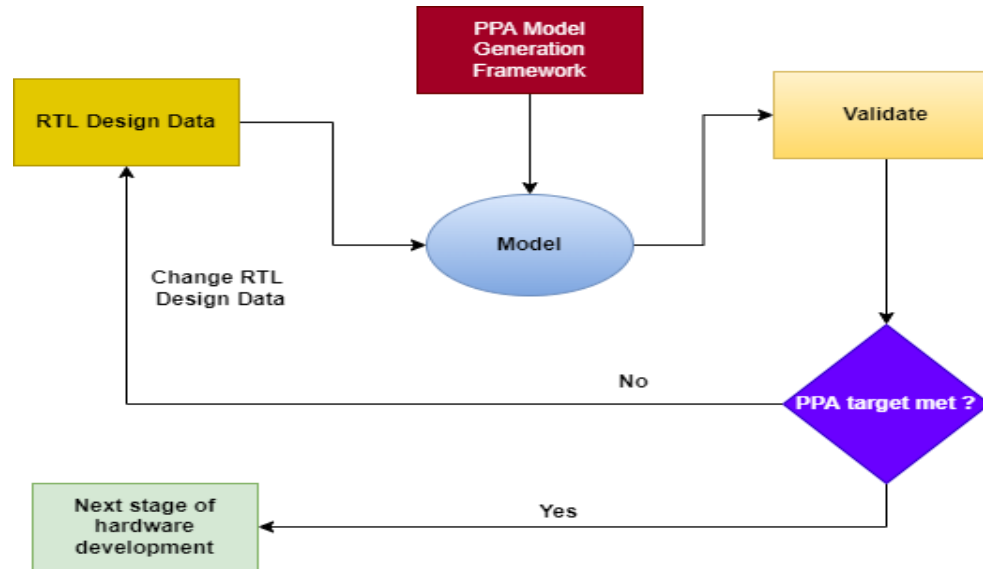


## 5.1 PPA Model Generation Framework



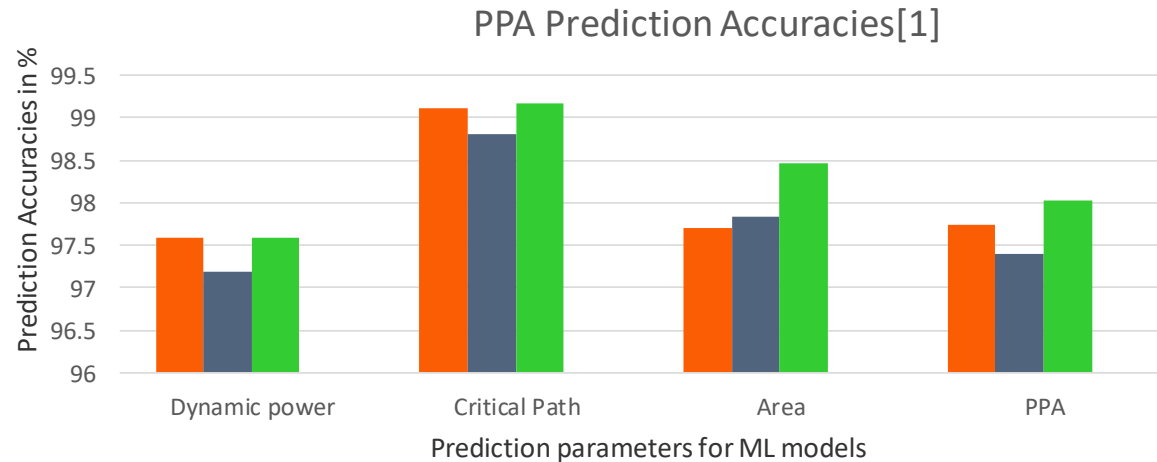
PPA Model Generation Framework [1]

## 5.2 PPA Model Testing Framework



PPA Model Testing Framework [1]

## 6.1 Evaluation

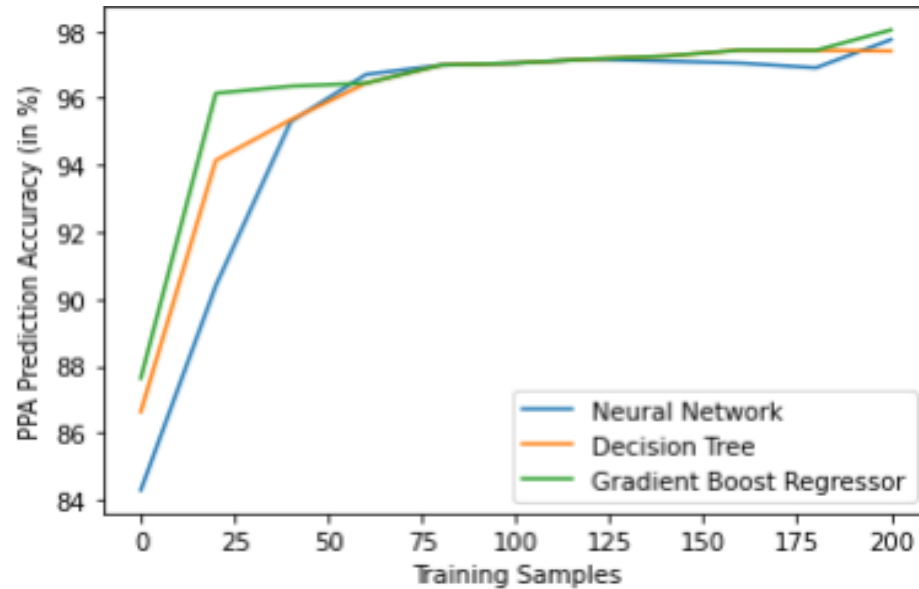


All predicted accuracy parameters are measured in %

■ Decision Trees  
■ Gradient Boost

Prediction accuracies = 100%  
- Mean Squared Error.

## 6.2 Evaluation



PPA prediction accuracies vs Training Samples [1]

## 7. Conclusion

- This paper explores the possibility of using Transfer Learning in PPA predictions.
- Transfer Learning helps in reducing the amount of data that is needed to train our models and helps attain a higher prediction accuracy using a relatively fewer number of new training samples.
- Transfer Learning also reduces the time complexity by using pre-trained models.

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