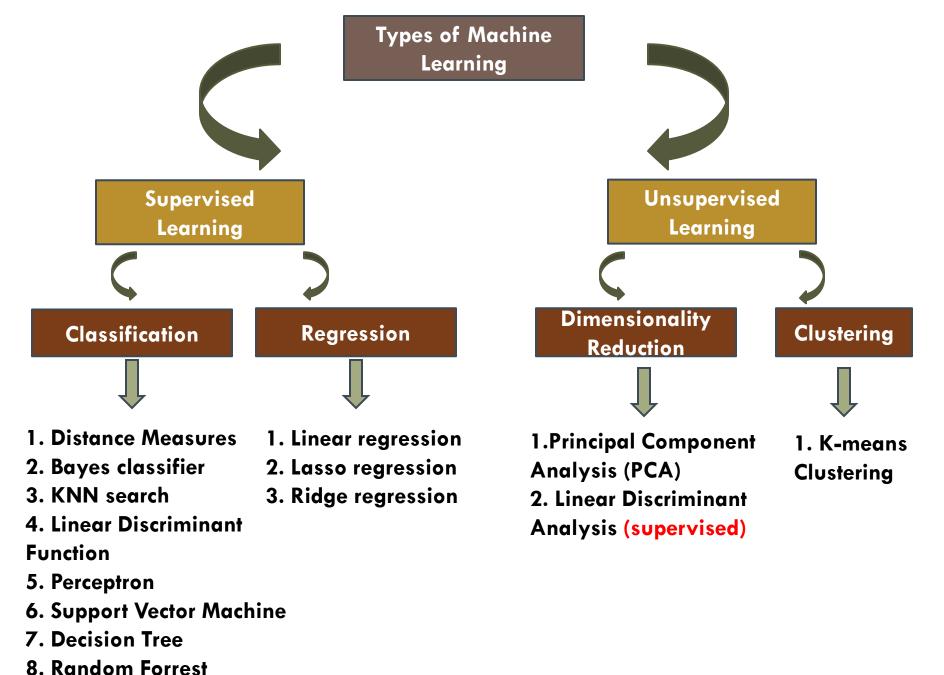
K-NEAREST NEIGHBOUR SEARCH ALGORITHM

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9. Logistic regression

K-NN Search

- The K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN) algorithm is a supervised machine learning method employed to tackle classification and regression problems.
- It is non-parametric, lazy learning method meaning it does not make any underlying assumptions about the distribution of data
- As opposed to other algorithms such as GMM, which assume a <u>Gaussian distribution</u> of the given data).

Key Steps of k-NN Search Algorithm

□ 1. Data Storage:

k-NN stores the entire dataset, which will be used for prediction.

2. Distance Calculation:

- When given a new input (query point), k-NN calculates the distance between this input and all the points in the dataset.
- The most commonly used distance metrics are:
 - **Euclidean distance** (for continuous data)
 - Manhattan distance (for grid-like data)
 - Hamming distance (for categorical data)

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□ 3. Choosing Neighbors:

After calculating the distances, the algorithm selects the k points from the dataset that are closest to the query point. These are the "k-nearest neighbors."

4. Majority Voting (for classification):

- The class labels of the k-nearest neighbors are examined.
- The most common label (i.e., the mode) among them is assigned to the query point.

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□ 5. Averaging (for regression):

In regression tasks, instead of voting, the algorithm computes the average of the output values of the knearest neighbors to make a prediction.

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Computational Complexity:

- One of the main disadvantages of k-NN is that it is computationally expensive, especially with large datasets, since it requires calculating the distance to every point in the dataset for every query.
- The time complexity for a single query is $O(n \cdot d)$, where 'n' is the number of data points and 'd' is the number of dimensions.

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Applications:

- Classification: Handwritten digit recognition, image classification, and document categorization.
- **Regression**: Predicting housing prices or other continuous variables.
- Recommendation Systems: Finding items that are similar to user preferences based on their k-nearest neighbors.

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