Machine learning Algorithms

**detailed comparison and explanation** of:

* **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**
* **Machine Learning (ML)**
* **Deep Learning (DL)**
* **Generative AI (GenAI)**

**🧠 1. Artificial Intelligence (AI) – *The Big Umbrella***

**Definition**: AI is the science of making machines think and act like humans. It includes any technique that enables computers to mimic human intelligence.

**🔹 Key Features:**

* Decision-making
* Problem-solving
* Natural language understanding
* Perception (vision, audio)
* Planning

**🔹 Subfields of AI:**

* **Machine Learning**
* **Expert Systems**
* **Robotics**
* **Natural Language Processing**
* **Computer Vision**
* **Planning Systems**

AI is **not always learning-based** – traditional AI systems (e.g., rule-based systems) are hand-coded and do not "learn" from data.

**🤖 2. Machine Learning (ML) – *AI That Learns from Data***

**Definition**: ML is a **subset of AI** that allows systems to **learn from data** and improve performance over time without being explicitly programmed.

**🔹 Learning Types:**

* **Supervised Learning** (e.g., Regression, Classification)
* **Unsupervised Learning** (e.g., Clustering, Dimensionality Reduction)
* **Semi-Supervised Learning**
* **Reinforcement Learning**

**Discrete Labels**

* **Definition**: Fixed set of categories or classes.
* **Used in**: **Classification problems**
* **Example Values**:
  + "Spam", "Not Spam"
  + "Cat", "Dog", "Bird"
  + 0 or 1 (binary)

**✅ Real Example:**

| **Email Text** | **Label** |
| --- | --- |
| "Win a free iPhone" | Spam |
| "Meeting schedule" | Not Spam |

The model predicts a **label from a fixed set**.

**🔹 Continuous Labels**

* **Definition**: Numeric values that can take **any real value** within a range.
* **Used in**: **Regression problems**
* **Example Values**:
  + 250,000.00 (house price)
  + 72.4 (temperature)
  + 15.6 (miles per gallon)

**✅ Real Example:**

| **Area (sqft)** | **Price ($)** |
| --- | --- |
| 1200 | 250,000.00 |
| 1500 | 310,000.00 |

The model predicts a **numeric value**.

**1. Supervised Learning**

**✅ Definition:**

Supervised Learning is when the model is trained on a **labeled dataset**, meaning both the input features and the corresponding output (target) are known. The model learns to map inputs to the correct outputs.

**📂 Subtypes:**

* **Regression** – Predict continuous values (e.g., price, temperature)
* **Classification** – Predict discrete labels (e.g., spam or not spam)

**1. Regression**

**📌 Definition:**

Regression is used when the **target variable is continuous** — i.e., you’re predicting **real values** (like price, temperature, age, etc.).

**📘 Goal:**

To **estimate a mapping function** from input features to **continuous output values**.

**🔧 Common Algorithms:**

* Linear Regression
* Support Vector Regression (SVR)
* Decision Tree Regressor
* Random Forest Regressor
* Gradient Boosting Regressor

**🧠 Real-World Use Cases:**

| **Domain** | **Problem Description** | **Output (Target Variable)** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Real Estate | Predicting house prices | Price (in $) |
| Finance | Stock price forecasting | Future stock price |
| Energy | Predicting power consumption | Electricity usage (kWh) |
| Health | Estimating patient age from X-ray images | Age (years) |
| Agriculture | Crop yield prediction | Kilograms or tons per acre |
| Regression predicts **continuous numeric values**.  **🧠 Use Case 1: House Price Prediction**   | **Area (sqft)** | **Bedrooms** | **Age (years)** | **Price ($)** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1200 | 3 | 5 | 250,000 | | 1500 | 4 | 2 | 310,000 | | 1000 | 2 | 10 | 200,000 |   👉 **What regression does**: Learns a formula to **predict price** for new houses based on size, rooms, and age.  **🧠 Use Case 2: Car Mileage Estimation**   | **Engine (L)** | **Weight (kg)** | **Cylinders** | **MPG** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1.6 | 1200 | 4 | 34 | | 2.0 | 1500 | 4 | 28 | | 3.0 | 1800 | 6 | 22 |   👉 **What regression does**: Estimates **miles per gallon (MPG)** for new car models. |  |  |

**🔹 2. Classification**

**📌 Definition:**

Classification is used when the **target variable is categorical** — i.e., you’re predicting **discrete labels** or **classes** (like yes/no, spam/ham, class A/B/C).

**📘 Goal:**

To assign an input data point to one of **predefined categories**.

**🔧 Common Algorithms:**

* Logistic Regression
* K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)
* Support Vector Machine (SVM)
* Decision Tree Classifier
* Random Forest Classifier
* Naive Bayes
* Gradient Boosting Classifier

**🧠 Real-World Use Cases:**

| **Domain** | **Problem Description** | **Output (Target Classes)** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Email Filtering | Detecting spam emails | Spam / Not spam |
| Healthcare | Disease diagnosis (e.g., diabetes prediction) | Diabetic / Not Diabetic |
| Banking | Loan default prediction | Default / No default |
| Retail | Customer churn prediction | Will churn / Will stay |
| Automotive | Classifying vehicle types from images | Sedan / SUV / Truck |
| Classification predicts **discrete labels** (categories).  **Churn** means that a **customer has stopped using a product or service**.  In other words, **customer churn = customer loss**.  **🧠 Real-World Meaning:**   * In a **subscription business** (like Netflix, Spotify, etc.), churn means a user **cancels their subscription**. * In **telecom**, it means a customer **switches to another provider**. * In **banking**, it could mean a customer **closes their account**.   **🧠 Use Case 1: Email Spam Detection**   | **Subject Length** | **Contains "Free"** | **Links Count** | **Label** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 60 | Yes | 5 | Spam | | 30 | No | 1 | Not Spam | | 75 | Yes | 4 | Spam |   👉 **What classification does**: Classifies **email as spam or not** based on content features.  **🧠 Use Case 2: Disease Prediction**   | **Age** | **Glucose Level** | **BMI** | **Diabetic?** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 45 | 160 | 33 | Yes | | 25 | 90 | 22 | No | | 60 | 140 | 35 | Yes |   👉 **What classification does**: Predicts if a **patient is diabetic** based on health metrics.  **🧠 Use Case 3: Loan Default Prediction**   | **Income ($K)** | **Loan Amount ($K)** | **Tenure (years)** | **Default?** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 80 | 50 | 5 | No | | 30 | 45 | 3 | Yes | | 60 | 20 | 2 | No |   👉 **What classification does**: Predicts if a **customer will default on a loan**. |  |  |

**🔁 Key Differences at a Glance**

| **Feature** | **Regression** | **Classification** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Target Type | Continuous (real values) | Categorical (labels) |
| Example Target | House price, temperature | Spam/Not spam, Cat/Dog |
| Evaluation Metrics | MSE, RMSE, MAE, R² | Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1 |
| Visualization | Line/curve fitting | Decision boundaries, confusion matrix |

**🔹 2. Unsupervised Learning**

**✅ Definition:**

Unsupervised Learning deals with **unlabeled data**. The algorithm tries to **discover hidden patterns or intrinsic structures** in the input data.

Intrinsic structure = The **true shape** or **underlying distribution** of the data  
(how data points are connected, clustered, or behave together in high-dimensional space)

**Intrinsic structures** refer to the **natural patterns, relationships, or organization** that exist **within the data itself**, even if they are not immediately visible.

Finding the intrinsic structure helps us:

* Group similar things (e.g., customers, behaviors)
* Visualize high-dimensional data
* Compress or clean noisy datasets

**Example:**

Imagine you have 1000 customers with 100 features (age, income, behavior, etc.).

Although 100 features exist, maybe only **2 or 3 combinations of them** actually matter — the **intrinsic structure** lies in those 2–3 dimensions.

**📂 Subtypes:**

* **Clustering** – Group similar items (e.g., customer segments)
* **Dimensionality Reduction** – Reduce the number of features (e.g., visualization)

**1. Clustering**

**✅ Definition:**

**Clustering** is an **unsupervised learning** technique where the algorithm **automatically groups data points** into **clusters** (groups) based on how similar they are — **without any predefined labels**.

Think of it as **"automatic grouping"** of data based on behavior or patterns.

**💡 Use Cases:**

| **Use Case** | **Description** |
| --- | --- |
| Customer Segmentation | Group customers based on shopping habits or demographics |
| Market Basket Analysis | Find groups of items often purchased together |
| Social Network Analysis | Detect communities or friend groups in social media |
| Document Clustering | Group news articles by topic automatically |
| Anomaly Detection | Isolate data points that don’t belong to any cluster (e.g., fraud detection) |
| **Anomaly Detection** refers to the process of **identifying unusual or unexpected data points** that deviate significantly from the majority of the data — also called **outliers**.  **Anomaly detection** is finding data points that **don't fit the pattern** of the rest.  Anomalies can signal **problems**, **opportunities**, or **special cases** in real-world applications. |  |

**Clustering Example: Customer Segmentation**

We have a small dataset of customers with these features:

| **Customer ID** | **Age** | **Annual Income (k$)** | **Spending Score (1-100)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| C1 | 25 | 25 | 80 |
| C2 | 45 | 65 | 30 |
| C3 | 23 | 28 | 77 |
| C4 | 50 | 60 | 33 |
| C5 | 26 | 27 | 85 |
| C6 | 47 | 62 | 28 |

**🤖 Clustering Goal:**

Group similar customers together. We’ll apply a clustering algorithm (e.g., **K-Means**) that groups data points based on proximity (Euclidean distance).

**📊 Clustered Output (after running K-Means with 2 clusters):**

| **Customer ID** | **Age** | **Income** | **Spending Score** | **Cluster** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| C1 | 25 | 25 | 80 | 0 |
| C3 | 23 | 28 | 77 | 0 |
| C5 | 26 | 27 | 85 | 0 |
| C2 | 45 | 65 | 30 | 1 |
| C4 | 50 | 60 | 33 | 1 |
| C6 | 47 | 62 | 28 | 1 |

**🧠 Interpretation:**

* **Cluster 0**: Younger customers with **low income** but **high spending scores** — potentially active buyers or young shoppers.
* **Cluster 1**: Older customers with **high income** but **low spending scores** — maybe conservative or occasional buyers.

**✅ What Clustering Does Here:**

It **finds natural groupings** without any labels and helps businesses:

* Target marketing to each group
* Understand customer behavior
* Personalize services

**🧠 Common Algorithms:**

| **Algorithm** | **Notes** |
| --- | --- |
| K-Means | Most popular; groups data into *k* clusters |
| DBSCAN | Density-based; great for detecting **noise** and **outliers** |
| Agglomerative Clustering | Hierarchical; builds a **tree of clusters** |
| Mean Shift | Finds clusters (A **cluster** is a **group of similar data points**.) without specifying their number |
| Gaussian Mixture Models | Probabilistic; soft clustering method |

**"Density" Mean in DBSCAN?**

In the context of **DBSCAN (Density-Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise)**, **density** refers to:

**How closely packed the data points are within a region.**

**🧱 Think of it like this:**

Imagine drops of ink on a paper:

* If the drops are **close together**, it looks **dense** — DBSCAN considers this a **cluster**.
* If drops are **isolated**, it looks **sparse** — DBSCAN considers this **noise (outliers)**.

**"Probabilistic" mean in Gaussian Mixture Models (GMM)?**

In the context of **GMM**, "probabilistic" means:

**Each data point is assigned to clusters based on probabilities, not hard assignments.**

**🔍 Let’s break it down:**

Unlike **K-Means**, which assigns each point to **one single cluster (hard assignment)**, GMM assigns a **probability (soft assignment)** that a point belongs to **each cluster**.

**📊 Example:**

Suppose a GMM tries to cluster a point x.

After training, the model might say:

* x belongs to:
  + **Cluster 1**: 70% probability
  + **Cluster 2**: 25% probability
  + **Cluster 3**: 5% probability

This means:

* GMM doesn't say "x **is** in Cluster 1"
* It says, "x has a **70% chance** of being in Cluster 1"

So, decisions can be based on:

* The **highest probability** (soft → hard assignment), or
* **Weighted behaviors** (e.g., in anomaly detection or density estimation).

**🧠 Why is this useful?**

Because **real-world data often overlaps**, and a strict cut-off (like in K-Means) can be misleading.

GMMs model:

* Each cluster as a **Gaussian (Normal) distribution**
* The entire dataset as a **mixture** of these Gaussians

**📈 Visual Metaphor:**

Imagine multiple **hills (Gaussians)** on a landscape.

* Each hill represents a cluster.
* A point could lie where **two hills overlap**.
* Instead of choosing just one hill, GMM says: "This point likely belongs to **both**, but more to hill A than B."

**✅ Summary:**

| **Feature** | **GMM (Probabilistic)** | **K-Means (Deterministic)** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Cluster assignment | Soft (probability for each cluster) | Hard (one cluster only) |
| Cluster shape | Elliptical (Gaussian) | Spherical (equal radius) |
| Handles overlapping clusters? | Yes | No |

**Sample data Example**

**Sample Input Data (X):**

Let's consider 2D points (could be height vs. weight, x vs. y, etc.):

| **ID** | **X1** | **X2** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| 2 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| 3 | 5.0 | 8.0 |
| 4 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| 5 | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| 6 | 9.0 | 11.0 |

**🧪 Now apply GMM (e.g., with 2 clusters)**

After training a **Gaussian Mixture Model** (with n\_components=2), we can generate two kinds of outputs:

**✅ 1. Predicted Cluster (hard assignment)**

| **ID** | **X1** | **X2** | **Predicted Cluster** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0 |
| 2 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 0 |
| 3 | 5.0 | 8.0 | 1 |
| 4 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 1 |
| 5 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0 |
| 6 | 9.0 | 11.0 | 1 |

Here, GMM assigns each point to the **most probable cluster**.

**🧮 2. Probability of each point belonging to each cluster (soft assignment):**

| **ID** | **Cluster 0 Probability** | **Cluster 1 Probability** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | 0.98 | 0.02 |
| 2 | 0.95 | 0.05 |
| 3 | 0.03 | 0.97 |
| 4 | 0.01 | 0.99 |
| 5 | 0.99 | 0.01 |
| 6 | 0.02 | 0.98 |

So point #3 is **most likely** (97%) in cluster 1, but it still has a **3% chance** of belonging to cluster 0.

**🎯 Interpretation:**

* If you want a **hard decision**, you pick the cluster with **max probability**.
* If you want to **understand uncertainty**, GMM's soft assignments are great — especially for:
  + **Anomaly detection**
  + **Outlier handling**
  + **Recommendation blending**
  + **Document topic modeling**

**🔷 2. Dimensionality Reduction**

**✅ Definition:**

**Dimensionality Reduction** is the process of **reducing the number of features (columns)** in your dataset, **while retaining the essential patterns** or structure of the data.

It’s useful when:

* You have **too many features**
* Many of them are **correlated**, **redundant**, or **noisy**

**💡 Use Cases:**

| **Use Case** | **Description** |
| --- | --- |
| Visualizing high-dimensional data | Convert 50+ feature data to 2D or 3D for plotting |
| Image Compression / Denoising | Reduce pixel features to compress or remove noise from images |
| Feature Selection for ML | Select only the **most meaningful features** for training |
| Genetic Data | Reduce 20,000+ genes to 10–50 significant features |
| Text Document Embedding | Convert high-dimensional word frequencies to dense vectors |

**🔢 Sample Data: (Genetic Expression Example)**

| **Gene1** | **Gene2** | **Gene3** | **Gene4** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.2 |
| 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| 0.15 | 0.55 | 0.75 | 0.25 |

➡ After dimensionality reduction (e.g., using PCA):

| **PC1** | **PC2** |
| --- | --- |
| 0.68 | 0.12 |
| 0.75 | 0.15 |
| 0.70 | 0.14 |

Now we can:

* Visualize the data
* Train a faster model
* Remove noise

**⚙️ What Dimensionality Reduction Does:**

* Simplifies high-dimensional data
* Helps reduce **overfitting**
* Makes it easier to **visualize** and **analyze**
* Speeds up training
* Helps eliminate **irrelevant or redundant** data

**🧠 Common Algorithms:**

| **Algorithm** | **Notes** |
| --- | --- |
| PCA (Principal Component Analysis) | Linear technique; projects data to directions of max variance |
| t-SNE | Non-linear; excellent for visualizing clusters in 2D/3D |
| UMAP | Non-linear; faster and preserves more global structure than t-SNE |
| LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis) | Supervised technique for classification context |
| Autoencoders | Neural networks that learn compressed representation |

**📌 Clustering vs Dimensionality Reduction — Summary Table**

| **Feature** | **Clustering** | **Dimensionality Reduction** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Type | Unsupervised | Unsupervised |
| Goal | Group similar items | Reduce number of features |
| Output | Cluster/group IDs | Transformed (lower-dim) features |
| Requires Labels? | ❌ No | ❌ No |
| Main Use Case | Segmentation, anomaly detection | Preprocessing, visualization |
| Helps with Visualization? | ✅ Yes (in 2D/3D cluster plots) | ✅ Yes (after reducing to 2D/3D) |
| Real Examples | Grouping customers, documents | Compressing image/text/genetics |

**🔹 3. Semi-Supervised Learning**

**✅ Definition:**

Semi-Supervised Learning uses a **small amount of labeled data** and a **large amount of unlabeled data**. It aims to leverage the unlabeled data to improve learning accuracy.

**💡 Real-World Applications:**

| **Application Area** | **Use Case** |
| --- | --- |
| Text Classification | Only some emails are labeled as spam |
| Medical Imaging | Only a few X-rays are labeled, but many are available |
| Web Content Classification | Some web pages labeled by users; rest inferred |
| Speech Recognition | A few transcribed audio samples help label more |

**📌 Common Techniques:**

* Self-training
* Label propagation
* Graph-based methods
* Pseudo-labeling

**🔹 4. Reinforcement Learning (RL)**

**✅ Definition:**

Reinforcement Learning is based on an **agent** learning to take actions in an **environment** to **maximize cumulative reward**. The agent learns from **trial and error** and **feedback** (rewards or penalties).

**💡 Real-World Applications:**

| **Application Area** | **Use Case** |
| --- | --- |
| Gaming | AlphaGo, Chess, Atari games |
| Robotics | Teaching a robot to walk or pick objects |
| Finance | Portfolio management and trading |
| Self-driving Cars | Navigating safely in real-time |
| Recommendation Systems | Dynamically adapting recommendations (e.g., YouTube RL bandits) |

**📌 Key Concepts:**

* **Agent**: Learner
* **Environment**: Everything the agent interacts with
* **Reward**: Feedback signal
* **Policy**: Strategy the agent follows
* **Value Function**: Long-term reward estimator

**📌 Example Algorithms:**

* Q-Learning
* Deep Q-Networks (DQN)
* Policy Gradient
* Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO)
* Actor-Critic Methods

**✅ Summary Table**

| **Learning Type** | **Supervision** | **Main Goal** | **Examples** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Supervised** | ✅ Labels | Predict output | Email spam detection, loan approval |
| **Unsupervised** | ❌ No labels | Discover structure | Customer segmentation, topic modeling |
| **Semi-Supervised** | 🔶 Some labels | Leverage unlabeled data | Medical diagnosis with limited labeled scans |
| **Reinforcement** | 🎯 Rewards | Learn actions by rewards | Game AI, robot navigation |

ML can use **structured or tabular data** (Excel-like rows/columns), and the algorithms often require feature engineering.

**🧬 3. Deep Learning (DL) – *A Subset of ML Inspired by the Brain***

**Definition**: Deep Learning is a **subset of ML** that uses **artificial neural networks** with multiple layers (hence *"deep"*) to learn complex patterns from **large amounts of unstructured data** like images, audio, and text.

**🔹 Common Architectures:**

* **ANN** (Artificial Neural Networks)
* **CNN** (Convolutional Neural Networks – for images)
* **RNN / LSTM** (Recurrent Neural Networks – for sequences)
* **Transformers** (used in language models like ChatGPT, BERT)

**🔹 Advantages:**

* No need for manual feature extraction
* High accuracy with big data
* Good at computer vision, NLP, speech recognition

DL requires **large datasets** and **high computational power (GPUs/TPUs)** to perform well.

**✨ 4. Generative AI (GenAI) – *Creating New Content***

**Definition**: Generative AI is a **subset of Deep Learning** that focuses on generating new content (text, images, audio, video) that resembles human-created content.

**🔹 Models:**

* **Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)** – for realistic images, videos
* **Variational Autoencoders (VAEs)** – for image and audio generation
* **Transformers / Large Language Models (LLMs)** – for text (ChatGPT, Gemini, Claude, etc.)

**🔹 Applications:**

* Text generation (chatbots, articles)
* Image generation (DALL·E, Midjourney)
* Music/speech generation
* Code generation (GitHub Copilot)
* Video generation (Sora, Runway)

GenAI is **creative** in nature and often uses **foundation models** pre-trained on massive datasets and fine-tuned for specific tasks.

**🧭 Visual Hierarchy**

Artificial Intelligence (AI)

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├── Machine Learning (ML)

│ ├── Supervised Learning

│ ├── Unsupervised Learning

│ ├── Reinforcement Learning

│ └── ...

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├── Deep Learning (DL)

│ ├── Neural Networks

│ ├── CNNs, RNNs, Transformers

│ └── ...

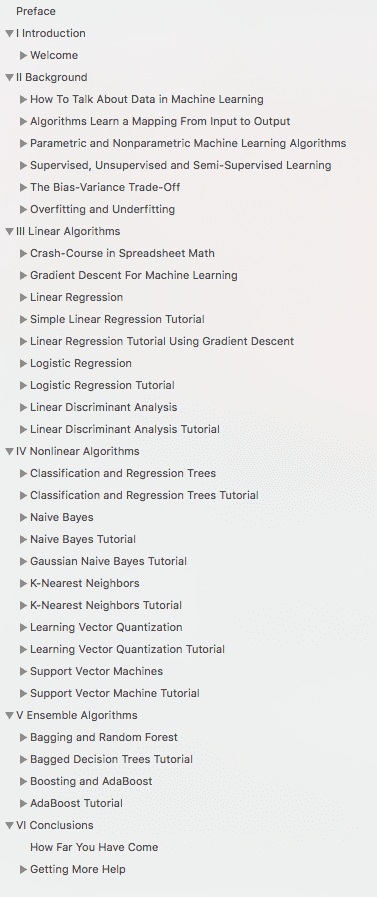
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└── Generative AI (GenAI)

├── GANs

├── VAEs

└── LLMs (e.g., GPT, BERT, Claude)



**Deep explanation and uses**

**🧠 Example Analogy: Image Classification**

**Machine Learning Approach**

* You extract features manually (edges, color histograms).
* Feed features to an algorithm like SVM or Random Forest.

**Deep Learning Approach**

* Raw image pixels go directly into a CNN.
* The CNN learns features and classifies the image **end-to-end**.

**✅ When to Use What?**

| **Use Case** | **Prefer ML or DL** |
| --- | --- |
| Small datasets (e.g., < 10,000 rows) | **ML** |
| Tabular or structured data | **ML** |
| Real-time or interpretable models | **ML** |
| Images, video, audio, NLP tasks | **DL** |
| Large-scale, high-dimensional data | **DL** |

Would you like a **visual diagram** comparing ML vs DL or a **real-world case study example** (e.g., fraud detection, medical diagnosis)?

**1. Deep Learning Architectures**

**1.1 Feedforward Neural Networks (FNN)**

* Basic neural networks where data flows from input to output.
  + 1.1.1 Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)
  + 1.1.2 Perceptron

**1.2 Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)**

* Used mainly for image and spatial data.
  + 1.2.1 LeNet
  + 1.2.2 AlexNet
  + 1.2.3 VGGNet
  + 1.2.4 ResNet
  + 1.2.5 DenseNet
  + 1.2.6 EfficientNet
  + 1.2.7 MobileNet

**1.3 Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN)**

* Designed for sequential data such as text, speech, or time series.
  + 1.3.1 Vanilla RNN
  + 1.3.2 Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)
  + 1.3.3 Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU)
  + 1.3.4 Bidirectional RNN

**1.4 Autoencoders (AE)**

* Used for unsupervised feature learning, dimensionality reduction, or denoising.
  + 1.4.1 Vanilla Autoencoder
  + 1.4.2 Sparse Autoencoder
  + 1.4.3 Denoising Autoencoder
  + 1.4.4 Variational Autoencoder (VAE)
  + 1.4.5 Contractive Autoencoder

**1.5 Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)**

* Two networks competing to generate realistic data.
  + 1.5.1 Vanilla GAN
  + 1.5.2 Deep Convolutional GAN (DCGAN)
  + 1.5.3 CycleGAN
  + 1.5.4 StyleGAN
  + 1.5.5 Conditional GAN (cGAN)

**1.6 Restricted Boltzmann Machines (RBM)**

* Stochastic neural networks used for unsupervised learning and feature extraction.

**1.7 Deep Belief Networks (DBN)**

* Stacked RBMs used for pretraining deep networks.

**1.8 Transformer Models**

* Based on attention mechanisms, replacing RNNs for sequence modeling.
  + 1.8.1 Transformer (original)
  + 1.8.2 BERT (Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers)
  + 1.8.3 GPT (Generative Pre-trained Transformer)
  + 1.8.4 T5 (Text-to-Text Transfer Transformer)
  + 1.8.5 Vision Transformer (ViT)

**1.9 Graph Neural Networks (GNN)**

* Neural networks designed for graph-structured data.
  + 1.9.1 Graph Convolutional Network (GCN)
  + 1.9.2 Graph Attention Network (GAT)
  + 1.9.3 GraphSAGE

**1.10 Capsule Networks (CapsNet)**

* Capture spatial hierarchies better than CNNs using capsules.

**1.11 Spiking Neural Networks (SNN)**

* Bio-inspired networks mimicking neuron spikes for time-based data.

**Natural Language Processing (NLP):**

algorithms and techniques used to solve **Natural Language Processing (NLP)** problems, categorized by the type of learning: **Supervised**, **Unsupervised**, **Self-Supervised**, and **Reinforcement Learning**.

**🔹 1. Supervised Learning in NLP**

*(Labeled data is used for training)*

**1.1 Text Classification**

* 1.1.1 Logistic Regression
* 1.1.2 Naive Bayes Classifier (Multinomial NB, Bernoulli NB)
* 1.1.3 Support Vector Machines (SVM)
* 1.1.4 Decision Trees / Random Forest
* 1.1.5 XGBoost / LightGBM
* 1.1.6 Deep Learning Models
  + 1.1.6.1 CNN for text
  + 1.1.6.2 RNN / LSTM / GRU
  + 1.1.6.3 Transformers (BERT, RoBERTa, ALBERT, etc.)

**1.2 Named Entity Recognition (NER)**

* 1.2.1 Conditional Random Fields (CRF)
* 1.2.2 BiLSTM-CRF
* 1.2.3 BERT with token-level classification

**1.3 Part-of-Speech (POS) Tagging**

* 1.3.1 Hidden Markov Model (HMM)
* 1.3.2 CRF
* 1.3.3 BiLSTM / BiLSTM-CRF
* 1.3.4 Transformer-based tagging (BERT, XLNet)

**1.4 Sentiment Analysis**

* 1.4.1 Logistic Regression / SVM
* 1.4.2 CNN / LSTM
* 1.4.3 BERT for sentiment classification

**1.5 Machine Translation (with Parallel Corpora)**

* 1.5.1 Seq2Seq with Attention (LSTM-based)
* 1.5.2 Transformer (e.g., Google’s Transformer model)
* 1.5.3 T5, mBART, MarianMT

**🔹 2. Unsupervised Learning in NLP**

*(No labeled data, used for tasks like clustering or dimensionality reduction)*

**2.1 Topic Modeling**

* 2.1.1 Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA)
* 2.1.2 Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF)
* 2.1.3 LSA (Latent Semantic Analysis)

**2.2 Word Embeddings**

* 2.2.1 Word2Vec (CBOW, Skip-gram)
* 2.2.2 GloVe
* 2.2.3 FastText
* 2.2.4 ELMo (contextual)

**2.3 Clustering**

* 2.3.1 K-Means
* 2.3.2 Hierarchical Clustering
* 2.3.3 DBSCAN

**🔹 3. Self-Supervised Learning in NLP**

*(Labels are generated from the data itself; used for pretraining models)*

**3.1 Masked Language Modeling (MLM)**

* 3.1.1 BERT
* 3.1.2 RoBERTa
* 3.1.3 ELECTRA (discriminator learns to detect replaced tokens)

**3.2 Next Sentence Prediction / Sentence Ordering**

* 3.2.1 BERT (NSP)
* 3.2.2 ALBERT
* 3.2.3 T5 (text-to-text tasks)

**3.3 Causal Language Modeling**

* 3.3.1 GPT series (GPT-2, GPT-3, GPT-4)
* 3.3.2 XLNet (permutes token order)
* 3.3.3 Transformer-XL

**3.4 Contrastive Learning**

* 3.4.1 SimCSE (sentence similarity)
* 3.4.2 CLIP (vision-language models)

**🔹 4. Reinforcement Learning in NLP**

*(Learning through feedback and rewards)*

**4.1 Dialogue Systems / Chatbots**

* 4.1.1 Reinforcement Learning with Policy Gradient
* 4.1.2 Deep Q-Network (DQN) for Dialogue Policy
* 4.1.3 RLHF (Reinforcement Learning with Human Feedback, e.g., ChatGPT training)

**4.2 Text Summarization Optimization**

* 4.2.1 ROUGE score as reward function
* 4.2.2 Policy-based RL to improve summarizer output

**🔹 5. Rule-based & Hybrid Approaches (Traditional NLP)**

*(Sometimes used along with learning techniques)*

**5.1 Text Processing**

* 5.1.1 Regular Expressions
* 5.1.2 Rule-based tokenization / POS tagging
* 5.1.3 Dependency Parsing
* 5.1.4 Constituency Parsing

**5.2 Information Extraction**

* 5.2.1 Rule-based Entity Matching
* 5.2.2 Pattern-based Relation Extraction

**Recommendation Systems:**

algorithms and techniques used to solve problems in **Recommendation Systems**, categorized by **Supervised**, **Unsupervised**, **Reinforcement**, and **Deep Learning** approaches.

**📚 Recommendation Systems – Algorithm Taxonomy**

**🔷 1. Memory-Based Methods (Traditional, Unsupervised)**

**1.1 User-Based Collaborative Filtering**

* Idea: Recommend items liked by similar users.
* Techniques:
  + Cosine Similarity
  + Pearson Correlation

**1.2 Item-Based Collaborative Filtering**

* Idea: Recommend items similar to those the user liked.
* Techniques:
  + Cosine Similarity between items
  + Adjusted Cosine

**🔷 2. Model-Based Methods (Usually Supervised or Unsupervised)**

**2.1 Matrix Factorization (Unsupervised/Self-Supervised)**

**Goal: Decompose user-item interaction matrix into latent factors.**

* 2.1.1 Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)
* 2.1.2 Probabilistic Matrix Factorization (PMF)
* 2.1.3 Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF)
* 2.1.4 Alternating Least Squares (ALS)

**2.2 Latent Factor Models**

* Learn latent user/item representations
* 2.2.1 Factorization Machines (FM)
* 2.2.2 Field-aware FM (FFM)

**🔷 3. Content-Based Filtering (Supervised)**

**3.1 Classification/Regression Algorithms**

Used when features are available (e.g., item metadata, user profile):

* 3.1.1 Logistic Regression
* 3.1.2 Decision Trees / Random Forests
* 3.1.3 Gradient Boosting (XGBoost, LightGBM)
* 3.1.4 K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)
* 3.1.5 Naive Bayes

**🔷 4. Hybrid Models (Combining multiple strategies)**

**4.1 Weighted Hybrid**

* Combine scores from content-based & collaborative filters.

**4.2 Switching Hybrid**

* Use different methods depending on context or user type.

**4.3 Model-Based Hybrid**

* Combine latent factors with content features using:
  + Matrix Factorization + Neural Networks
  + Wide & Deep Networks (used in Google Play)

**🔷 5. Deep Learning Methods (Supervised/Self-Supervised)**

**5.1 Neural Collaborative Filtering (NCF)**

* Use MLPs to learn interaction functions.

**5.2 Autoencoders for Collaborative Filtering**

* Variational Autoencoders (VAE)
* Denoising Autoencoders (DAE)

**5.3 Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN)**

* Session-based recommendations
* Captures user sequence/history

**5.4 Transformers**

* Used in sequential recommendations
* Models: BERT4Rec, SASRec

**5.5 Graph Neural Networks (GNN)**

* Model relationships between users and items.
* Models: PinSAGE, NGCF (Neural Graph CF)

**🔷 6. Reinforcement Learning in Recommenders**

**6.1 Multi-Armed Bandits (MAB)**

* Use exploration vs. exploitation tradeoff.
* Algorithms:
  + Epsilon-Greedy
  + UCB (Upper Confidence Bound)
  + Thompson Sampling

**6.2 Deep Reinforcement Learning**

* Model user engagement in multi-step interactions.
* Techniques:
  + DQN (Deep Q-Network)
  + Policy Gradient
  + Actor-Critic methods

**🔷 7. Graph-Based Recommendation (Unsupervised/Self-Supervised)**

**7.1 Random Walk-Based Methods**

* e.g., Personalized PageRank

**7.2 Graph Embedding Techniques**

* Node2Vec
* DeepWalk
* Metapath2Vec

**🔷 8. Context-Aware Recommendation (Supervised)**

* Uses additional contextual data (location, time, device)
* Algorithms:
  + Contextual Bandits
  + Tensor Factorization
  + Deep Contextual Matching Models

**🔷 9. Association Rule Mining (Unsupervised)**

* Used for Market Basket Analysis
* Algorithms:
  + Apriori
  + FP-Growth

**✅ Summary View**

| **Category** | **Examples / Techniques** |
| --- | --- |
| Unsupervised | Item/User-based CF, LDA, NMF, SVD, Clustering |
| Supervised | Content-based filters, FM, NCF, Decision Trees, XGBoost |
| Reinforcement Learning | Bandits, DQN, Policy Gradient |
| Deep Learning | Autoencoders, RNNs, Transformers, GNNs |
| Hybrid | Weighted, Switching, Wide & Deep, Meta-Learning |

**Applications of Deep Learning**

Deep learning powers many real-world applications:

**Computer Vision**

* Image classification (e.g., detecting cats vs dogs)
* Object detection (YOLO, SSD)
* Face recognition (FaceNet)
* Image segmentation (U-Net, Mask R-CNN)
* Medical image analysis

**Natural Language Processing (NLP)**

* Machine translation (e.g., Google Translate)
* Sentiment analysis
* Text generation (e.g., GPT)
* Named Entity Recognition (NER)
* Question Answering (e.g., ChatGPT)
* Summarization
* Language modeling
* Speech-to-text and vice versa

**Speech and Audio Processing**

* Voice assistants (e.g., Siri, Alexa)
* Music generation
* Voice cloning
* Speaker identification

**Healthcare**

* Disease prediction
* Drug discovery
* Radiology analysis

**Autonomous Systems**

* Self-driving cars (perception, planning, control)
* Drones, robotics

**Finance**

* Fraud detection
* Algorithmic trading
* Credit scoring

**Gaming and Simulation**

* Game bots (e.g., AlphaGo)
* Environment simulation

**Recommendation Systems**

* E-commerce product suggestions (Amazon, Netflix)

**Cybersecurity**

* Anomaly detection
* Threat intelligence

**Categories of Natural Language Processing (NLP)**

Here's a full list of NLP tasks and categories:

**Core NLP Tasks**

1. **Tokenization**
2. **Stopword Removal**
3. **Stemming and Lemmatization**
4. **Part-of-Speech Tagging (POS)**
5. **Named Entity Recognition (NER)**
6. **Dependency Parsing**
7. **Constituency Parsing**
8. **Word Sense Disambiguation**
9. **Chunking**

**Text Understanding and Generation**

1. **Text Classification**
2. **Sentiment Analysis**
3. **Topic Modeling (e.g., LDA)**
4. **Question Answering**
5. **Machine Translation**
6. **Summarization**
7. **Text Generation (e.g., GPT models)**
8. **Natural Language Inference (NLI)**
9. **Semantic Textual Similarity (STS)**

**Conversational AI**

1. **Chatbots**
2. **Dialogue Systems**
3. **Intent Recognition**
4. **Slot Filling**

**Language Modeling**

1. **n-gram Models**
2. **Neural Language Models (e.g., GPT, BERT)**

**Information Retrieval & Extraction**

1. **Search Engines**
2. **Information Extraction**
3. **Question Answering Systems**

**Speech-related NLP**

1. **Speech Recognition (ASR)**
2. **Text-to-Speech (TTS)**

**Multimodal NLP**

* Combine text with images, video, or audio (e.g., CLIP, Flamingo).