



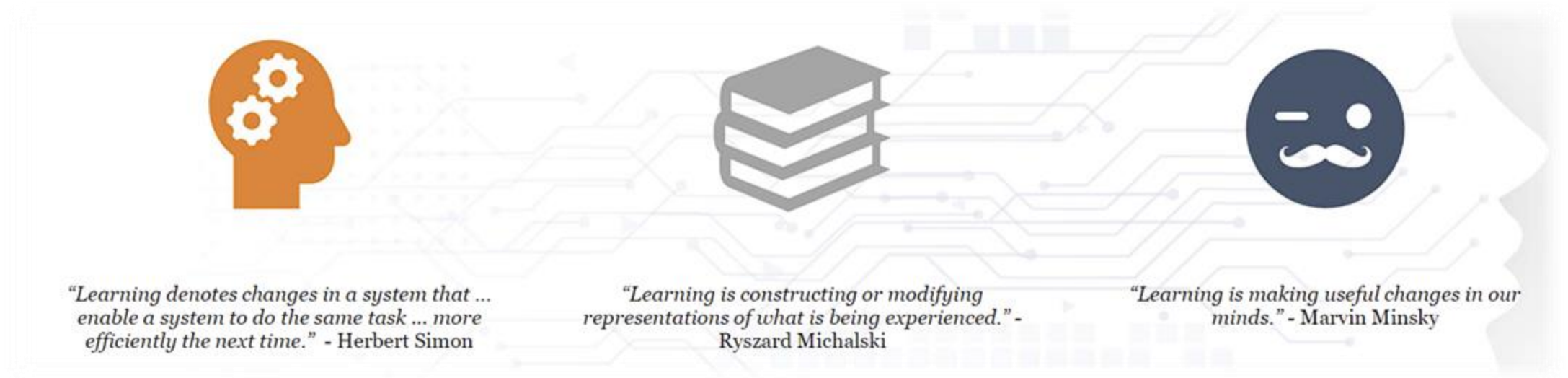
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Machine Learning (ML)

What is Intelligence?

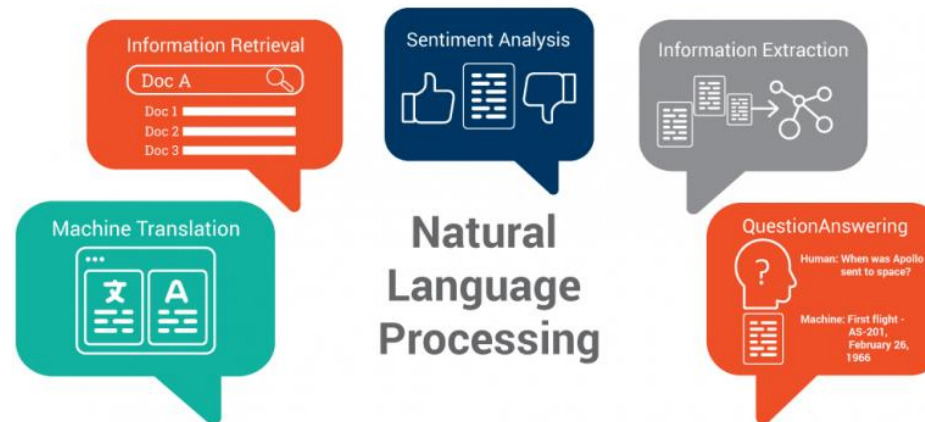
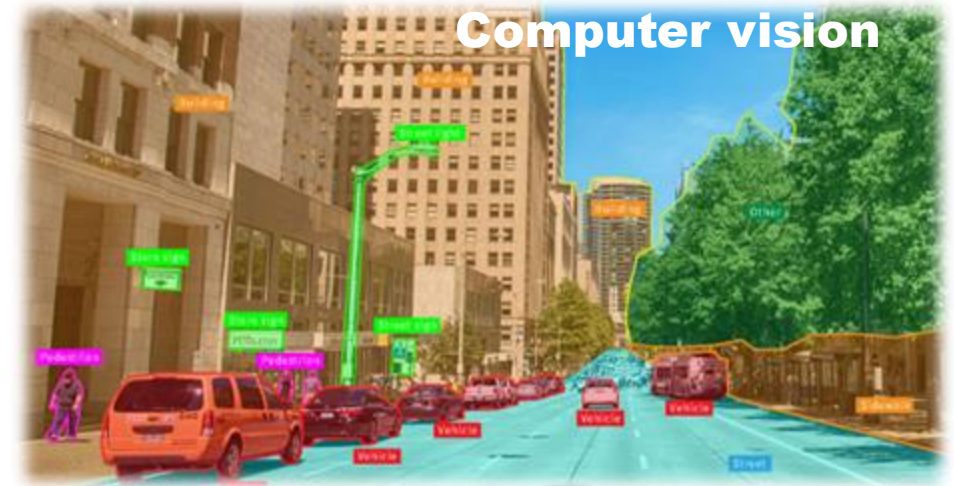
- Intelligence:
 - “the capacity to learn and solve problems”. (Websters dictionary)
 - In particular,
 - *the ability to solve novel problems*
 - *the ability to act rationally*
 - *the ability to act like humans*

What is Machine Learning?

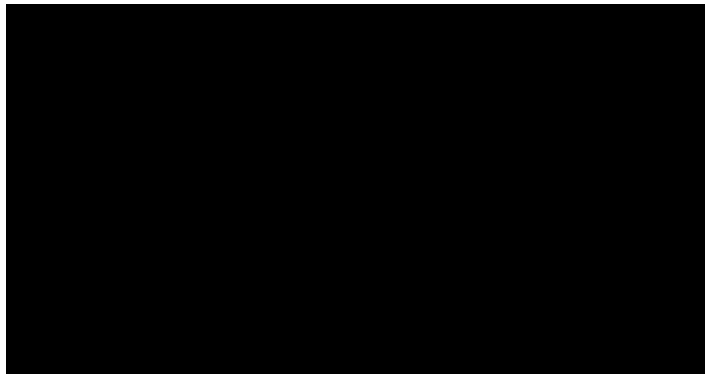
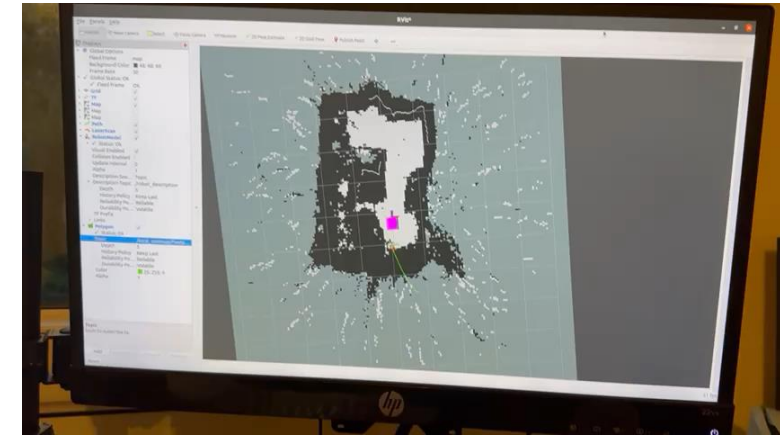
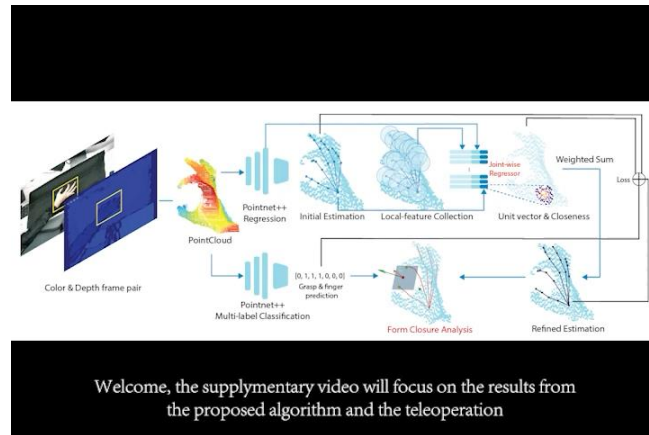


"Machine learning refers to a system capable of the autonomous acquisition and integration of knowledge."

Machine Learning Applications



Applications from My Research Lab at UoG



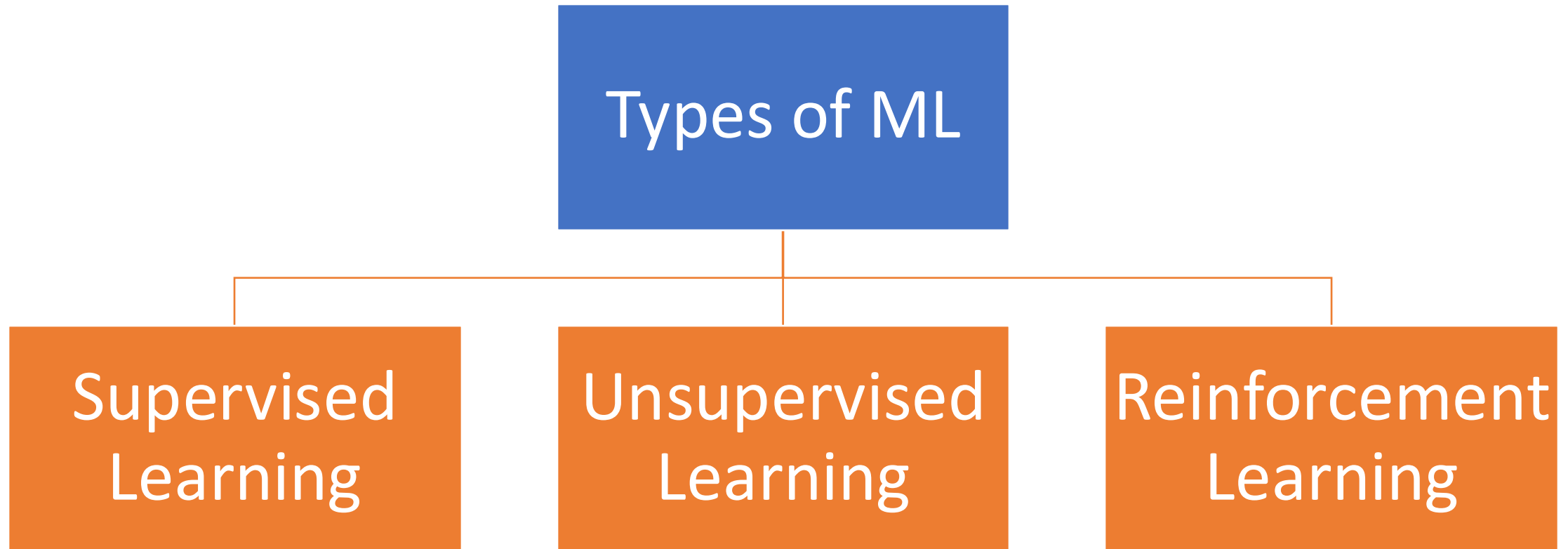
Why Machine Learning?

- **No human experts**
 - industrial/manufacturing control
 - mass spectrometer analysis, astronomy discovery
- **Black-box human expertise**
 - face/handwriting/speech recognition
 - driving a car, flying a plane
- **Rapidly changing phenomena**
 - credit scoring, financial modeling
 - diagnosis, fraud detection
- **Need for customization/personalization**
 - personalized news reader
 - movie/book recommendation



**Only Machines can make sense
of the Massive Amount of Data
Generated each day**

Types of Machine Learning

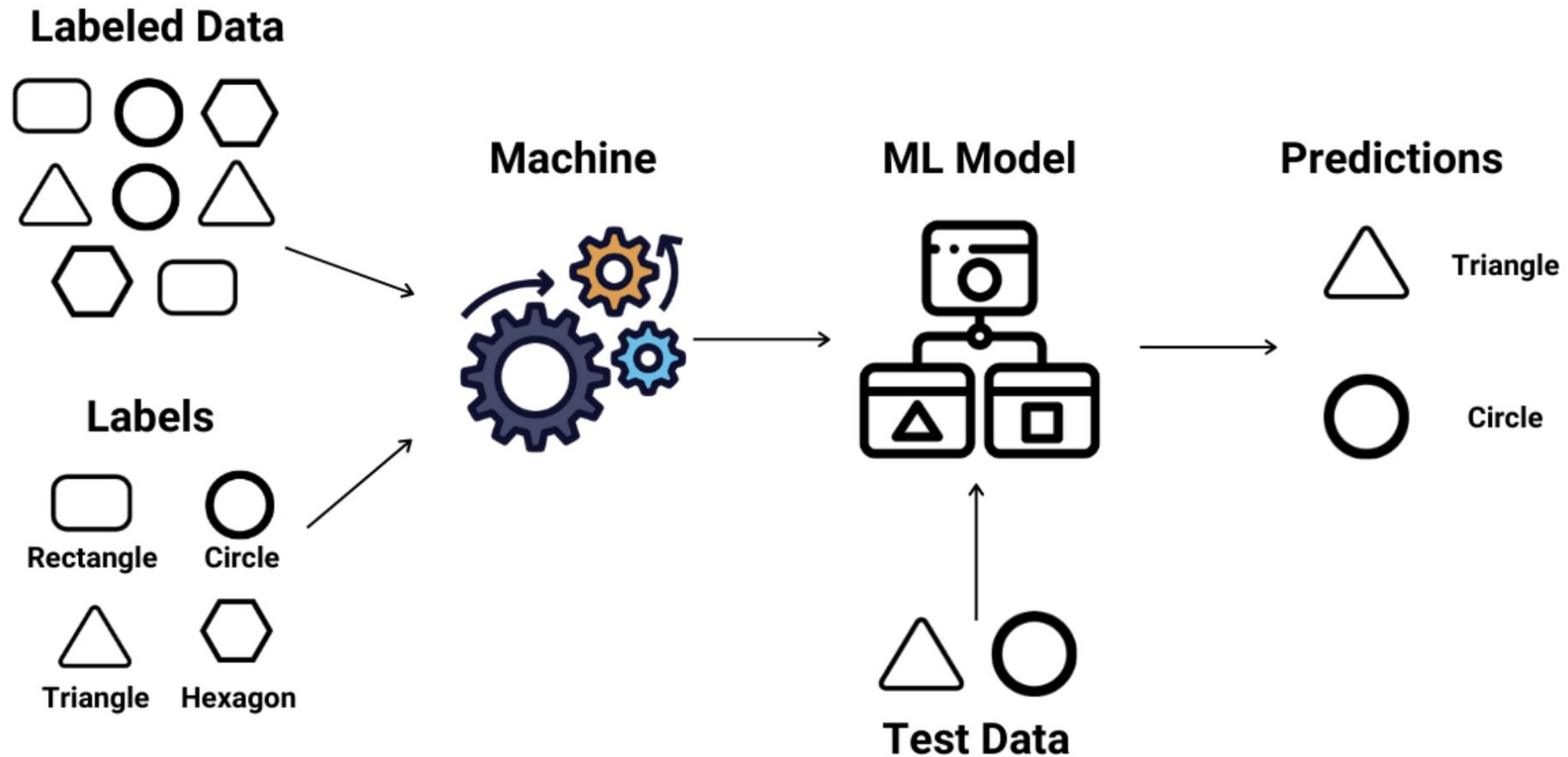


Supervised Learning

Supervised Learning

- In supervised learning, the **training data** comprises examples of the input vectors along with their corresponding **target vectors**.
- It is defined by its ability to train algorithms to **categorize data** and **predict outcomes** accurately.
- It teaches computer systems to **find hidden insights** using the available data.
- It also prepares algorithms to perform smart and intelligent tasks without human intervention.

Supervised Learning



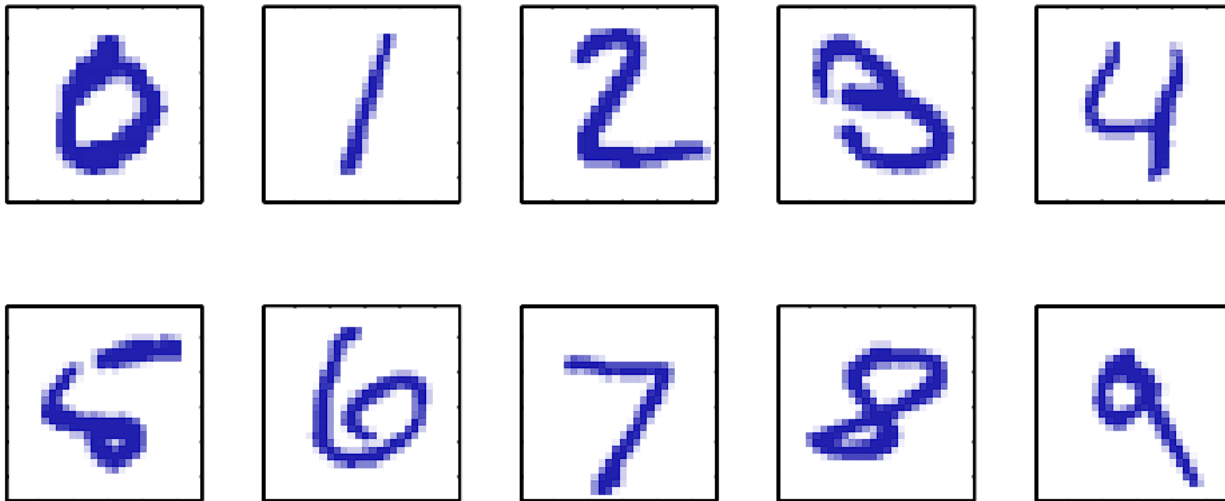
Supervised Learning

- Supervised learning uses a training module to **teach algorithms** to yield the desired output.
- Supervised learning stands true to data science meaning, which emphasizes using **self-reliant** and **error-free systems** and processes to achieve automation and efficiency.
- The training includes using **labelled data sets** collected through **data mining** and other processes as inputs to draw the correct output.
- The training module is accommodative and flexible, allowing machines to learn new functions and processes over time.

Supervised Learning

- Various types of algorithms and computation methods are used in the supervised learning process.
 - Regression
 - Naïve Bayes
 - K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)
 - Support Vector Machines (SVM)
 - Decision Tree
 - Neural Networks (NN)

Example: Hand-writing Recognition



- Each image is 28×28 , so it can be represented by a vector x comprising 784 real numbers.
- The goal is to build a machine that will take such a vector x as input and that will produce the identity of the digit 0,..., 9 as the output.

Example: Hand-writing Recognition

- We have a **Training set** $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ for tuning the parameters.
- Express the category of a digit using **target vector** t , Note that there is one such target vector t for each digit image x .
- The result of running the machine learning algorithm can be **expressed as a function** $y(x)$.
- $y(x)$ is determined during the **training phase**, also known as the **learning phase**, on the basis of the training data.
- Once the model is trained, we evaluate it by using new digital images, which called a **test set**.
- The ability to categorize correctly new examples that differ from those used for training is known as **generalization**.

Supervised Learning Examples

- Supervised learning models can be used to build and advance a number of business applications, including the following:
- **Image- and object-recognition:** Supervised learning algorithms can be used to locate, isolate, and categorize objects out of videos or images, making them useful when applied to various **computer vision** techniques and **imagery analysis**.
- **Predictive analytics:** A widespread use case for supervised learning models is in creating predictive analytics systems to **provide deep insights into various business data points**. This allows enterprises to anticipate certain results based on a given output variable, helping business leaders justify decisions or pivot for the benefit of the organization.

Supervised Learning Examples

- **Customer sentiment analysis:** Using supervised machine learning algorithms, organizations can extract and classify important pieces of information from large volumes of data—including **context**, **emotion**, and **intent**—with very little human intervention. This can be incredibly useful when gaining a **better understanding of customer interactions** and can be used to improve brand engagement efforts.
- **Spam detection:** Spam detection is another example of a supervised learning model. Using supervised classification algorithms, organizations can train databases to **recognize patterns or anomalies in new data** to organize spam and non-spam-related correspondences effectively.

Challenges of Supervised Learning

- Although supervised learning can offer businesses advantages, such as deep data insights and improved automation, there are some **challenges when building sustainable supervised learning models**. The following are some of these challenges:
 - Supervised learning models can require **certain levels of expertise** to structure accurately.
 - Training supervised learning models can be very **time intensive**.
 - **Datasets** can have a higher likelihood of **human error**, resulting in algorithms learning incorrectly.
 - Supervised learning cannot cluster or classify data on its own.

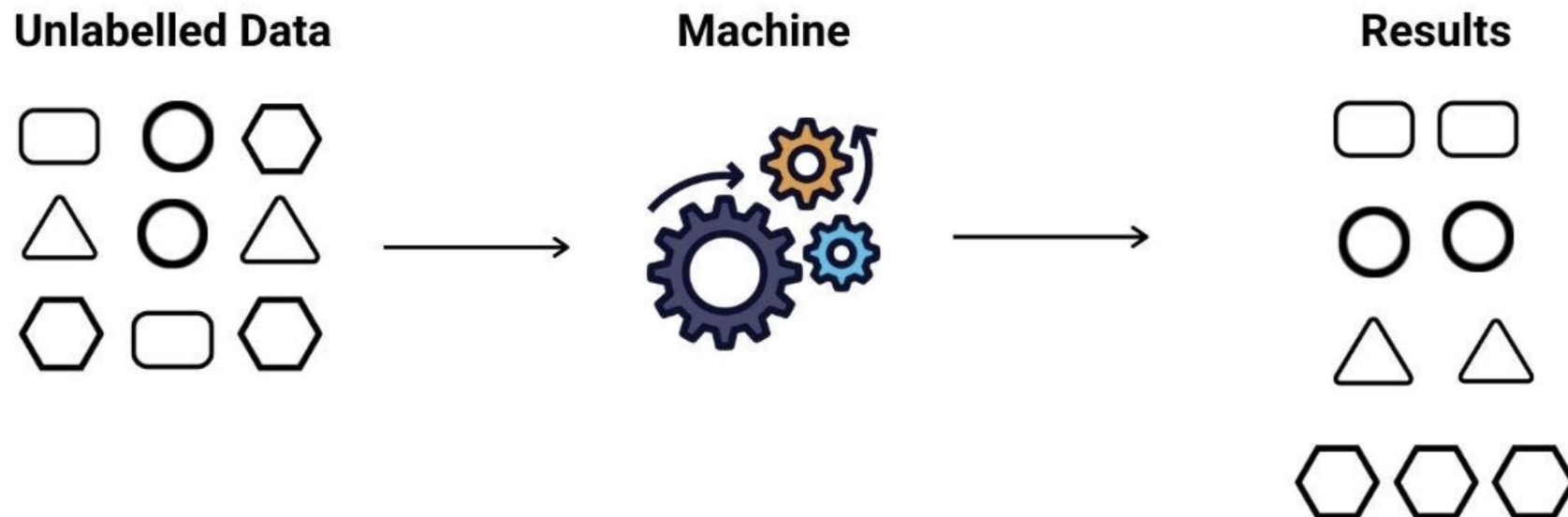
Unsupervised Learning

Unsupervised Learning

- Unsupervised learning uses machine learning algorithms to **analyze** and **cluster unlabelled datasets**.
- These algorithms discover **hidden patterns** or **data groupings** without the need for human intervention.
- Unsupervised learning algorithms **do not require input-to-output mappings** to learn a mapping function.
- This is what is meant when we say, *“no teacher is provided to the learning algorithm”*.

Unsupervised Learning

- Since **no labels** are present, unsupervised learning methods are typically applied to build a concise representation of the data so we can derive imaginative content from it.



Unsupervised Learning

- The training data consists of a set of input vectors x without any corresponding target values, and the goal is
 - to discover groups of similar examples within the data, where it is called clustering, or
 - to determine the distribution of data within the input space, known as density estimation, or
 - to project the data from a high-dimensional space down to two or three dimensions for the purpose of visualization.

Unsupervised Learning

- Unsupervised learning can be broken down into three main tasks:
 - Clustering
 - K-means clustering (exclusive clustering method)
 - Gaussian Mixture Models (Probabilistic clustering)
 - Association rules
 - Apriori algorithms
 - Dimensionality reduction
 - Principal Component Analysis
 - Singular Value Decomposition
 - Autoencoders

Application of Unsupervised Learning

- Some of the most common real-world applications of unsupervised learning are:
- **News Sections:** Google News uses unsupervised learning to **categorize articles** on the same story from various online news outlets. For example, the results of a presidential election could be categorized under their label for “US” news.
- **Computer vision:** Unsupervised learning algorithms are used for **visual perception tasks**, such as object recognition.

Application of Unsupervised Learning

- **Medical imaging:** Unsupervised machine learning provides essential features to medical imaging devices, such as **image detection**, **classification** and **segmentation**, used in **radiology** and pathology to **diagnose patients quickly and accurately**.
- **Anomaly detection:** Unsupervised learning models can comb through large amounts of data and discover a typical data points within a dataset. These **anomalies** can raise awareness around **faulty equipment**, **human error**, or **breaches in security**.

Application of Unsupervised Learning

- **Customer personas:** Defining customer personas makes it easier to understand **common traits** and **business clients' purchasing habits**. Unsupervised learning allows businesses to build **better buyer persona profiles**, enabling organizations to align their product messaging more appropriately.
- **Recommendation Engines:** Using past purchase behavior data, unsupervised learning can help to **discover data trends** that can be used to develop **more effective cross-selling strategies**. This is used to make relevant add-on recommendations to customers during the checkout process for online retailers.

Challenges Unsupervised Learning

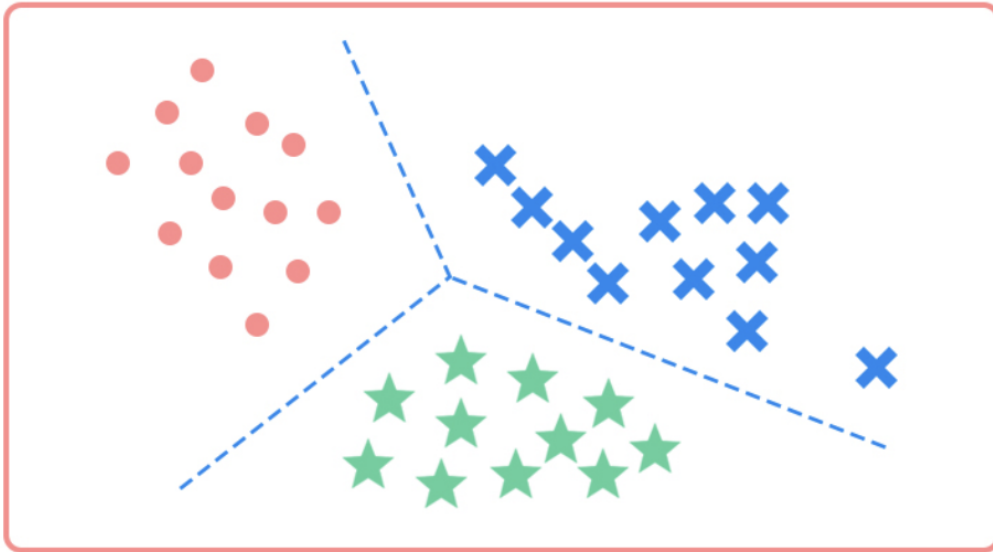
- While unsupervised learning has many benefits, some challenges can occur when it allows machine learning models to execute without any human intervention. Some of these challenges can include:
 - Computational complexity due to a high volume of training data
 - Longer training times
 - Higher risk of inaccurate results
 - Human intervention to validate output variables
 - Lack of transparency into the basis on which data was clustered

Supervised vs Unsupervised Learning

| | Supervised Learning | Unsupervised learning |
|-------------------|---|---|
| Objective | To approximate a function that maps inputs to outputs based out example input-output pairs. | To build a concise representation of the data and generate imaginative content from it. |
| Accuracy | Highly accurate and reliable. | Less accurate and reliable. |
| Complexity | Simpler method. | Computationally complex. |
| Classes | Number of classes is <i>known</i> . | Number of classes is <i>unknown</i> . |
| Output | A desired output value (also called the supervisory signal). | No corresponding output values. |

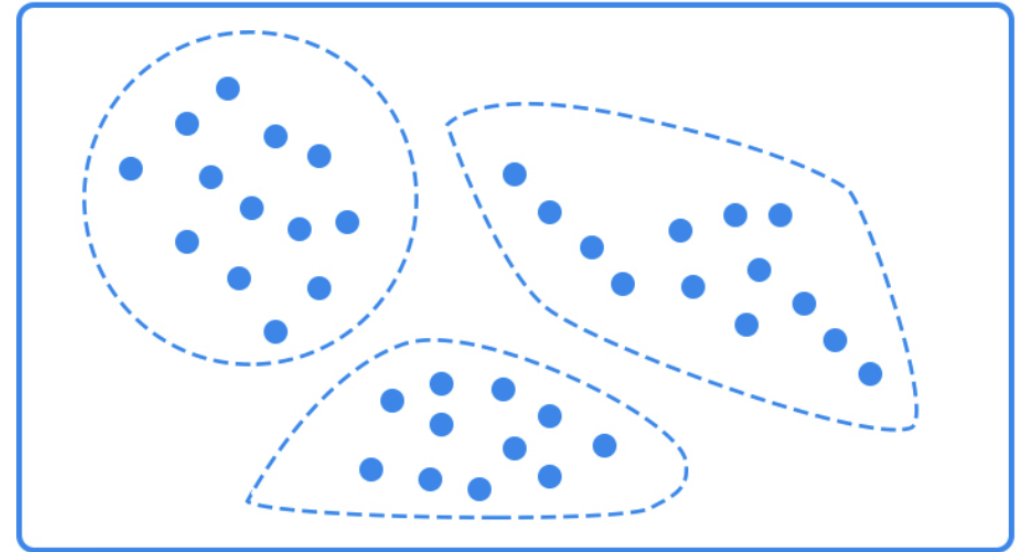
Supervised vs Unsupervised Learning

Classification



Supervised learning

Clustering



Unsupervised learning

Reinforcement Learning

Reinforcement Learning

- Reinforcement learning (RL) is a subset of machine learning that allows an AI-driven system (sometimes referred to as an **agent**) to learn through **trial and error** using **feedback from its actions**.
- This feedback is either **negative** or **positive**, signalled as **punishment** or **reward** with, of course, the aim of **maximising the reward function**.
- RL learns from its mistakes and offers artificial intelligence that **mimics** natural intelligence as closely as it is currently possible.

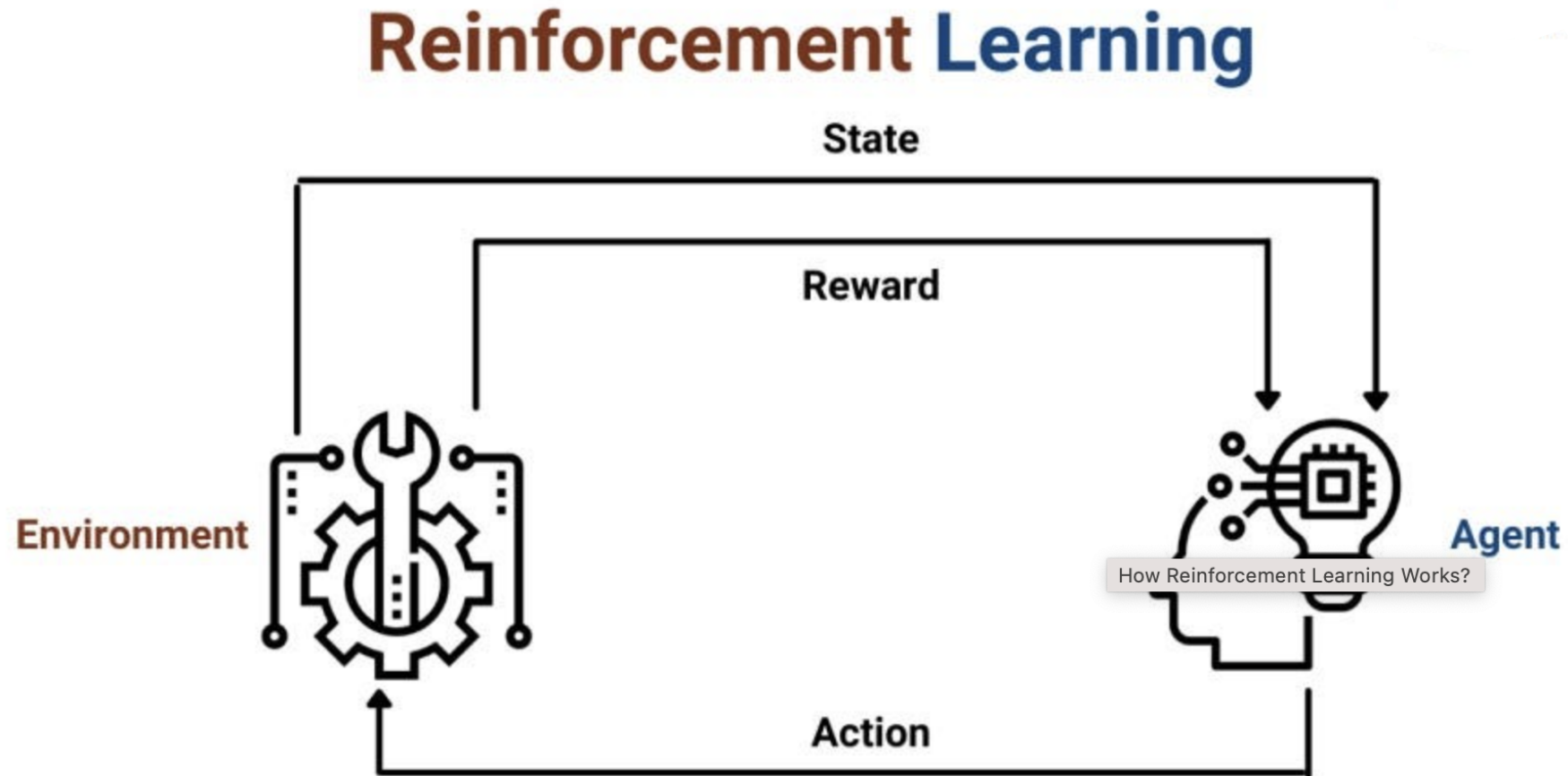
Reinforcement Learning vs Supervised Learning

- In terms of learning methods, RL is **similar to** supervised learning only in that it uses mapping between input and output, but that is the only thing they have in common.
- Whereas in supervised learning, the feedback contains the correct set of actions for the agent to follow. In RL there is no such answer key.
- The **agent** decides what to do itself to **perform the task correctly**.

Reinforcement Learning vs Unsupervised Learning

- Compared with unsupervised learning, RL has **different goals**.
- The goal of unsupervised learning is to find similarities or differences between data points, but RL's goal is to find the **most suitable action model to maximise total cumulative reward** for the RL agent.
- With no training dataset, the RL problem is solved by the **agent's own actions** with input from the environment.

Reinforcement Learning



Reinforcement Learning

- Example Algorithms:
 - Q-learning; Deep Q Network; Markov Decision Process; Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient
- There are three types of RL implementations:
 - **Policy-based** RL uses a policy or deterministic strategy that maximises cumulative reward
 - **Value-based** RL tries to maximise an arbitrary value function
 - **Model-based** RL creates a virtual model for a certain environment and the agent learns to perform within those constraint

ML Summary

