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## 0.1 Overview of Applied Machine Learning

Applied machine learning is a large topic. It takes the topics and tools of machine learning and theorizes applications for the real-world. The research explores new ways to represent, manipulate, and guide data analysis with machine learning tools. The research often creates new architectures that perform better in an applied scenario. There are many tools within machine learning. Machine learning architecture is also very flexible. For example, each machine learning model can consist of a varying number of layers, nodes, and even submodels. Moreover, machine learning behavior depends on its input. Some of the papers covered in the related work will explore how data manipulations can further the performance of existing machine learning models. For example, it has been shown that providing regularization produces a model that performs better on new data. Furthermore, there are many ways and techniques to apply regularization. Newer theories have proposed new techniques for regularization. Moreover, many of these new techniques may apply to certain types of machine learning architectures or nodes, such as new forms of regularization for LSTM nodes. Of particular interest to my research has included techniques for handling multi-varied types of input. For example, my masters thesis explored the combination of text and image data within a single machine learning model. These types of advanced machine learning pipelines drive big data, big analysis, and ways to analyze complicated data. I plan on continuing to drive my research within the direction of exploring new ways to handle various inputs with different data types. The field of applied machine learning is vast and full of opportunity for new researchers to discover new theories and make

innovations in the use, application, and understanding of machine learning.

Examples of popular areas within applied machine learning create theories about text, audio, image, visual and many other types of data.

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0.9.0.2 Quantitative/Deductive



## **0.9.1 Means of Evidence**

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