

## Machine Learning Overview





- It is finally time to dive deep into Machine Learning!
- This Machine Learning Overview section is designed to help get us in the correct frame of mind for the paradigm shift to Machine Learning.
- First, let's quickly review where we are in the Machine Learning Pathway....





Problem to Solve



Question to Answer

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Question to Answer

How does a change in X affect Y?







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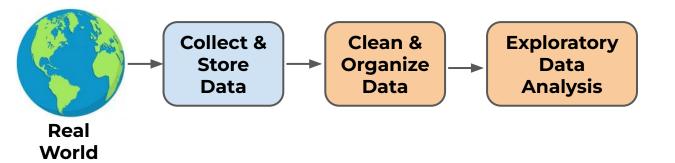
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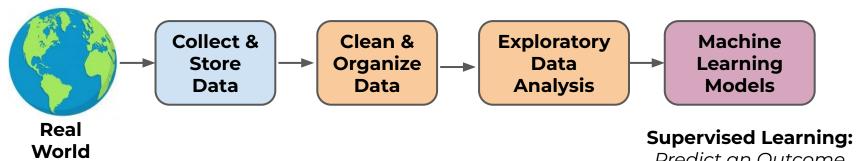








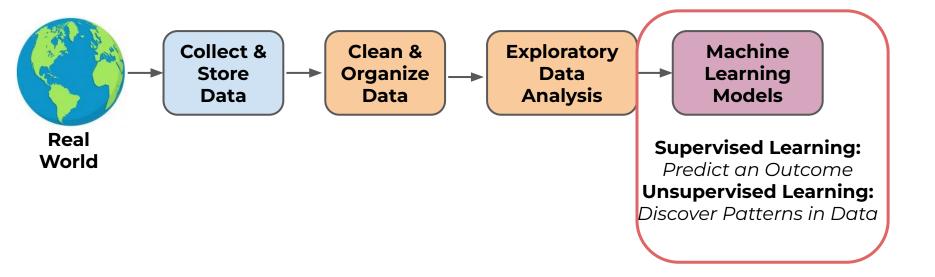




Predict an Outcome
Unsupervised Learning:
Discover Patterns in Data











- Our main goals in ML Overview section:
  - Problems solved by Machine Learning
  - Types of Machine Learning
    - Supervised Learning
    - Unsupervised Learning
  - ML Process for Supervised Learning
  - Discussion on Companion Book





- Our main goals in ML Overview section:
  - No coding in this section!
  - Purely a discussion on critically important ideas applied to ML problems.



- Many other relevant topics will be discussed later in the course as we "discover" them, including:
  - Bias-Variance Trade-off
  - Cross-validation
  - Feature Engineering
  - Scikit-learn
  - Performance Metrics and much more!





- Machine Learning Sections
  - Section for Type of Algorithm
    - Intuition and Mathematical Theory
    - Example code-along of application of Algorithm
    - Expansion of Algorithm
    - Project Exercise
    - Project Exercise Solution





- Machine Learning Sections
  - Exception for Linear Regression
    - Intuition and Mathematical Theory
    - Simple Linear Regression
    - Scikit-learn and Linear Regression
    - Regularization
  - "Discovering" additional ML topics





- Machine Learning Sections
  - "Discovering" additional ML topics
    - Performance Metrics
    - Feature Engineering
    - Cross-validation
  - Revisit Linear Regression to combine discovered ML ideas for Project Exercise.





 Let's continue by starting to understand why we use machine learning and the use cases for it!



## Why Machine Learning?





- Machine learning in general is the study of statistical computer algorithms that improve automatically through data.
- This means unlike typical computer algorithms that rely on human input for what approach to take, ML algorithms infer best approach from the data itself.





- Machine learning is a subset of Artificial Intelligence.
- ML algorithms are not explicitly programmed on which decisions to make.
- Instead the algorithm is designed to infer from the data the most optimal choices to make.





- What kinds of problems can ML solve?
  - Credit Scoring
  - Insurance Risk
  - Price Forecasting
  - Spam Filtering
  - Customer Segmentation
  - Much more!





- Structure of ML Problem framing:
  - Given features from a data set obtain a desired label.
  - ML algorithms are often called "estimators" since they are estimating the desired label or output.





- How can ML be so robust in solving all sorts of problems?
- Machine learning algorithms rely on data and a set of statistical methods to learn what features are important in data.



- Simple Example:
  - Predict the price a house should sell at given its current features (Area, Bedrooms, Bathrooms, etc...)



- House Price Prediction
  - Typical Algorithm
    - Human user defines an algorithm to manually set values of importance for each feature.



- House Price Prediction
  - ML Algorithm
    - Algorithm automatically determines importance of each feature from existing data





- Why machine learning?
  - Many complex problems are only solvable with machine learning techniques.
  - Problems such as spam email or handwriting identification require ML for an effective solution.





- Why not just use machine learning for everything?
  - Major caveat to effective ML is good data.
  - Majority of development time is spent cleaning and organizing data, **not** implementing ML algorithms.





- Do we develop our own ML algorithms?
  - Rare to have a need to manually develop and implement a new ML algorithm, since these techniques are well documented and developed.





 Let's continue this discussion by exploring the types of machine learning algorithms!



## Types of Machine Learning





- There are two main types of Machine Learning we will cover in upcoming sections:
  - Supervised Learning
  - Unsupervised Learning





- Supervised Learning
  - Using historical and labeled data, the machine learning model predicts a value.
- Unsupervised Learning
  - Applied to unlabeled data, the machine learning model discovers possible patterns in the data.





- Supervised Learning
  - Requires historical labeled data:
    - Historical
      - Known results and data from the past.
    - Labeled
      - The desired output is known.





- Supervised Learning
  - Two main label types
    - Categorical Value to Predict
      - Classification Task
    - Continuous Value to Predict
      - Regression Task





- Supervised Learning
  - Classification Tasks
    - Predict an assigned category
      - Cancerous vs. Benign Tumor
      - Fulfillment vs. Credit Default
      - Assigning Image Category
        - Handwriting Recognition





- Supervised Learning
  - Regression Tasks
    - Predict a continuous value
      - Future prices
      - Electricity loads
      - Test scores





- Unsupervised Learning
  - Group and interpret data without a label.
  - Example:
    - Clustering customers into separate groups based off their behaviour features.





- Unsupervised Learning
  - Major downside is because there was no historical "correct" label, it is much harder to evaluate performance of an unsupervised learning algorithm.





- Machine Learning Sections
  - We first focus on supervised learning to build an understanding of machine learning capabilities.
  - Then shift focus to unsupervised learning for clustering and dimensionality reduction.





 Finally, before we dive into coding and linear regression in the next section, let's have a deep dive into the entire Supervised Machine Learning process to set ourselves up for success!





# Supervised Machine Learning Process

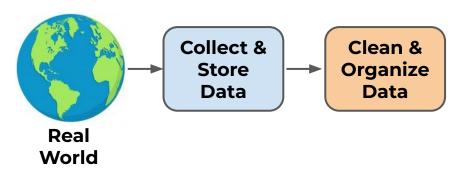






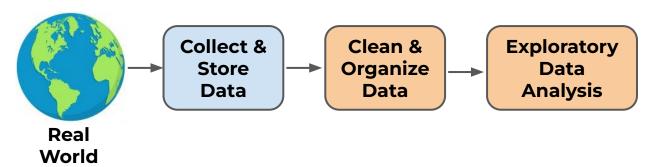






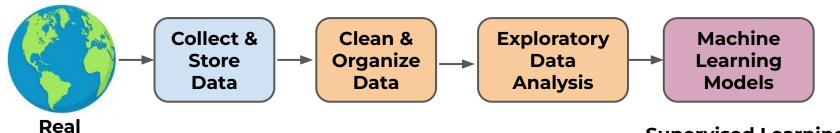












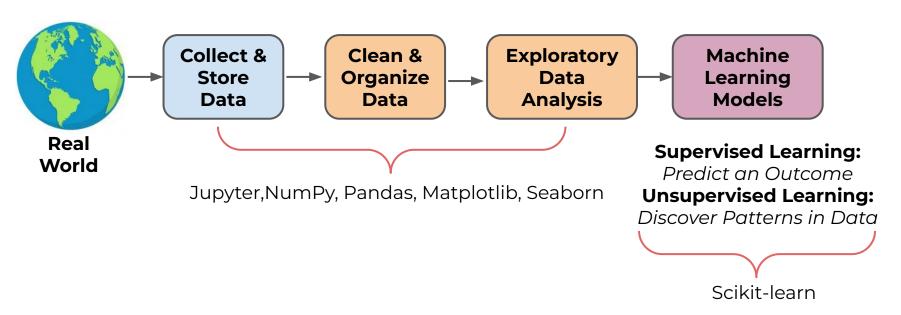
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Predict an Outcome
Unsupervised Learning:
Discover Patterns in Date

Discover Patterns in Data



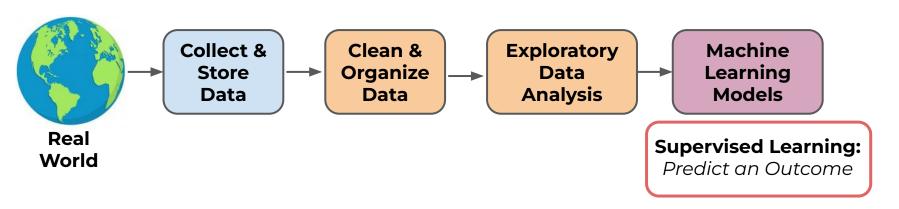
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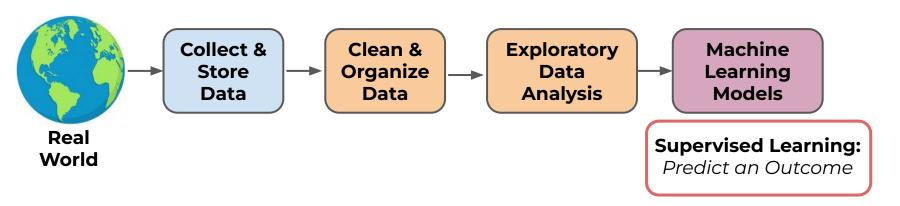






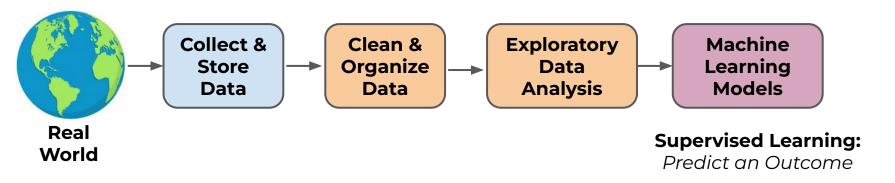


ML Process: Supervised Learning Tasks













- Supervised Machine Learning Process
- Start with collecting and organizing a data set based on history:

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 Historical labeled data on previously sold houses.

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 If a new house comes on the market with a known Area, Bedrooms, and Bathrooms:
 Predict what price should it sell at.

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- Data Product:
  - Input house features
  - Output predicted selling price

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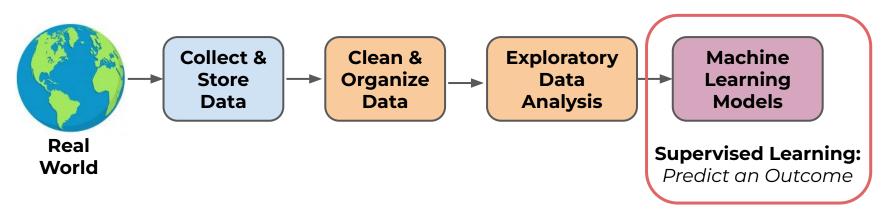


• Using **historical**, **labeled** data predict a future outcome or result.

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Machine Learning Models

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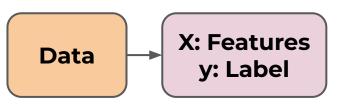


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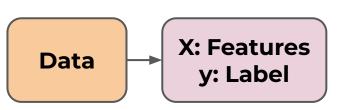


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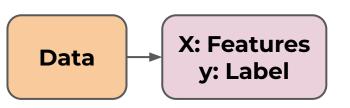


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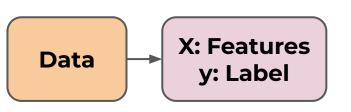


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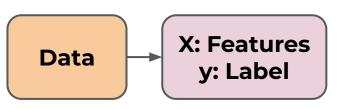


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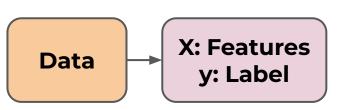


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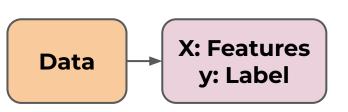


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 Features and Label are identified according to the problem being solved.

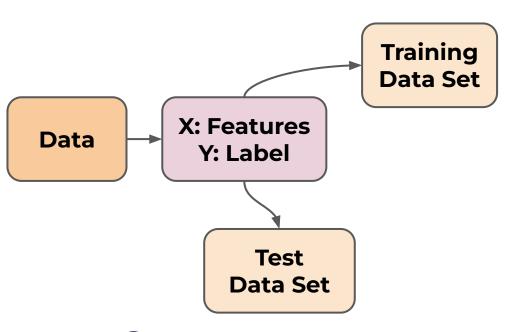


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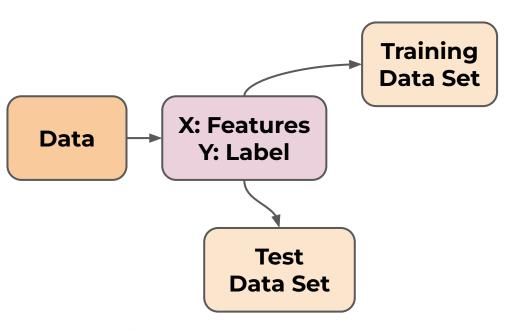
Split data into training set and test set



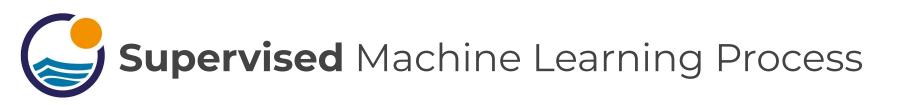




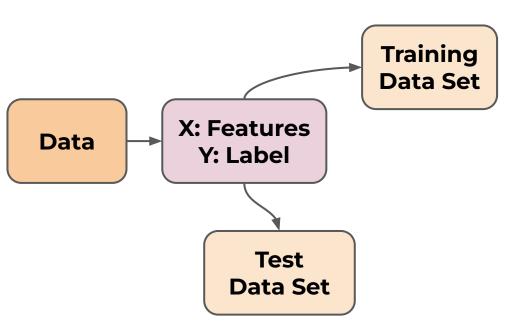
Later on we will discuss cross-validation







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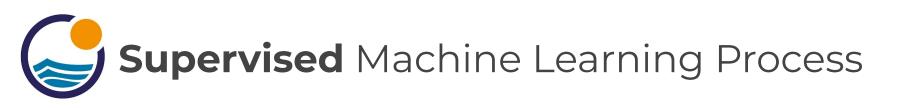


 How would you judge a human realtor's performance?



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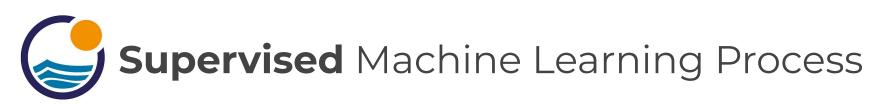


 Ask a human realtor to take a look at historical data...



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 Then give her the features of a house and ask her to predict a selling price.



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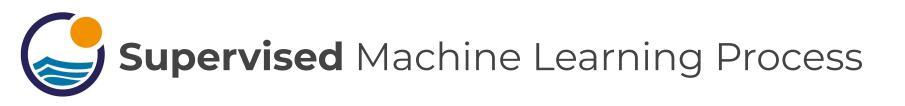


 But how would you measure how accurate her prediction is? What house should you choose to test on?



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 You can't judge her based on a new house that hasn't sold yet, you don't know it's true

selling price!



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 You shouldn't judge her on data she's already seen, she could have memorized it!



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• Thus the need for a Train/Test split of the data, let's explore further...



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Notice how we have 4 components

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X TRAIN	190	2	1	\$450,000	Y TRAIN
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 Let's go back to fairly testing our human realtor....



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• Let her study and learn on the training set getting access to both X and y.



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 After she has "learned" about the data, we can test her skill on the test set.



EST

Area m²	Bedrooms	Bathrooms
180	1	1
210	2	2



 Provide only the X test data and ask for her predictions for the sell price.



TEST

Area m²	Bedrooms	Bathrooms
180	1	1
210	2	2





This is new data she has never seen before!
 She has also never seen the real sold price.



TEST

Area m <sup>2</sup>	Bedrooms	Bathrooms
180	1	1
210	2	2





Ask for predictions per data point.



Predictions	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Bedrooms	Bathrooms
\$410,000	180	1	1
\$540,000	210	2	2





Then bring back the original prices.



Predictions	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Bedrooms	Bathrooms	Price
\$410,000	180	1	1	\$400,000
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 Finally compare predictions against true test price.



Predictions	Price
\$410,000	\$400,000
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• This is often labeled as ŷ compared again y



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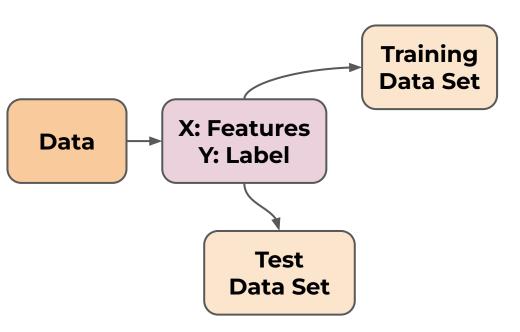
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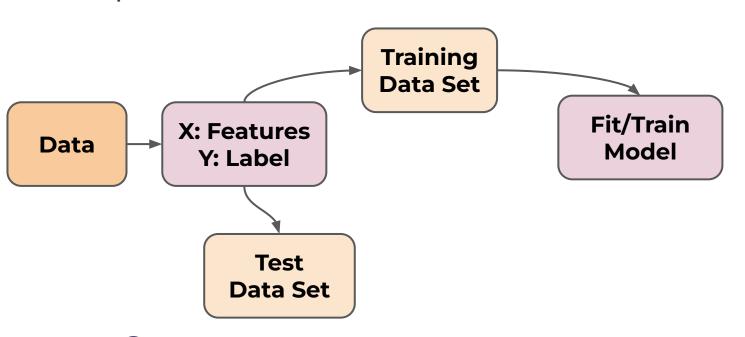
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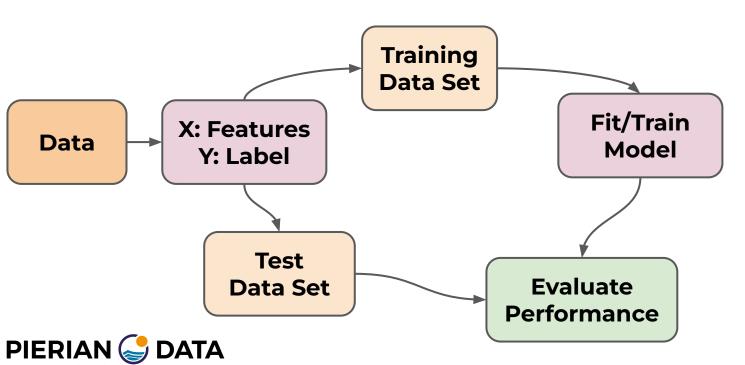
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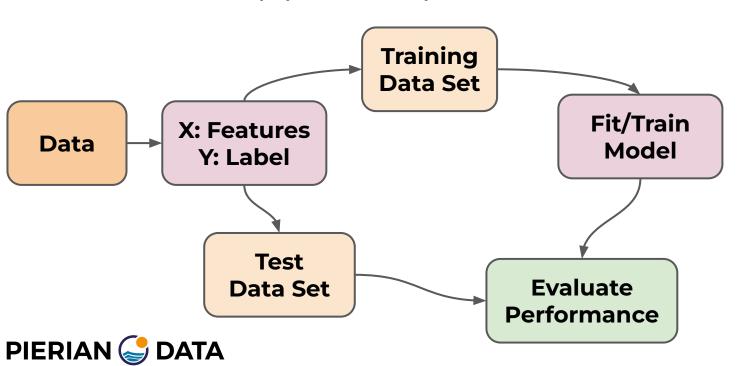


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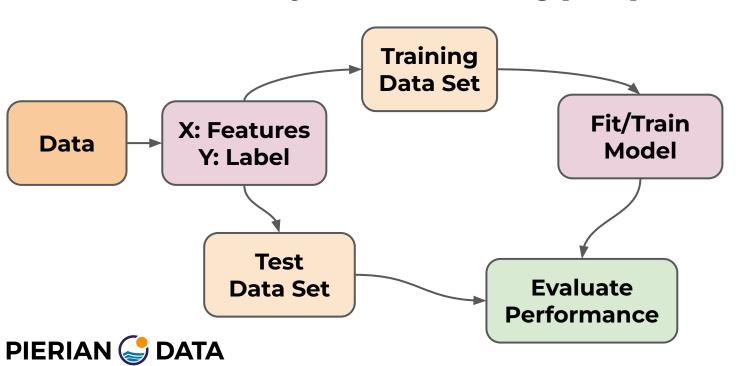


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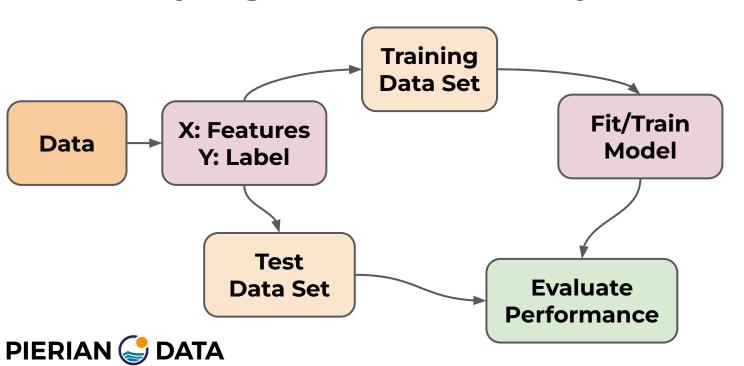


We can adjust model hyperparameters



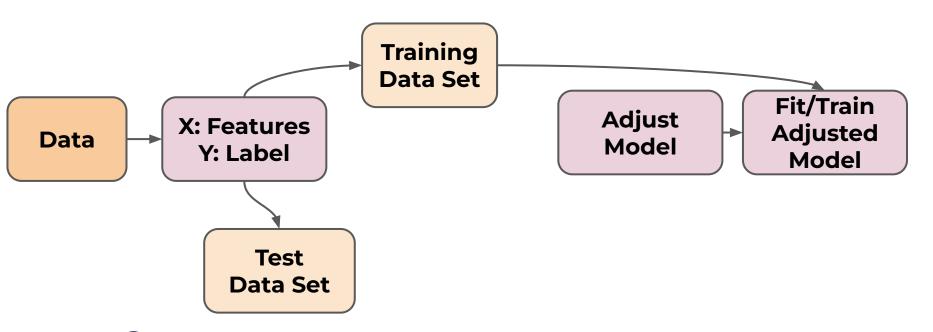


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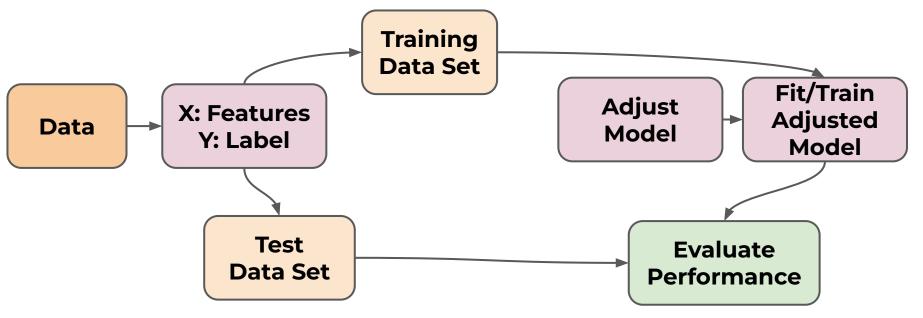
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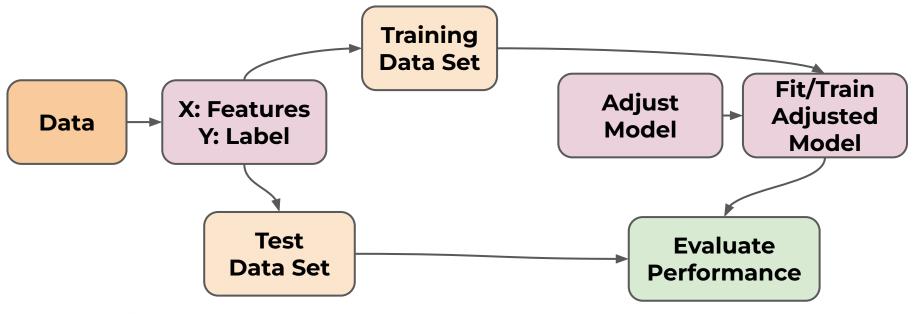
Evaluate adjusted model







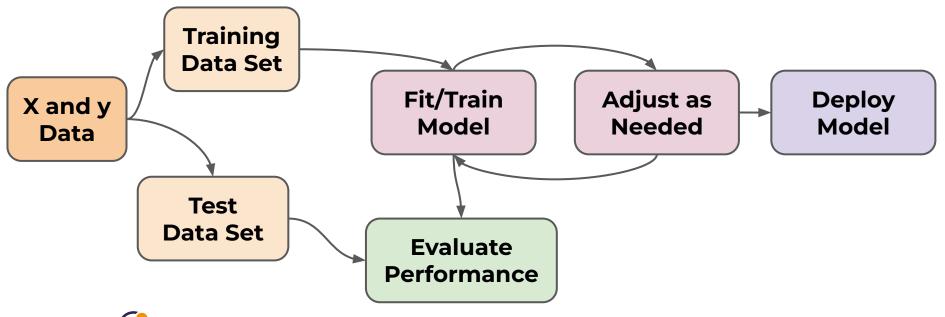
Can repeat this process as necessary







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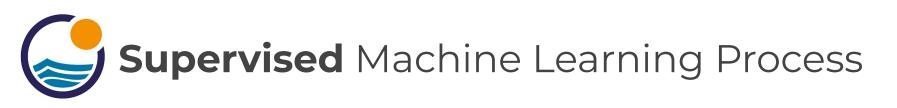




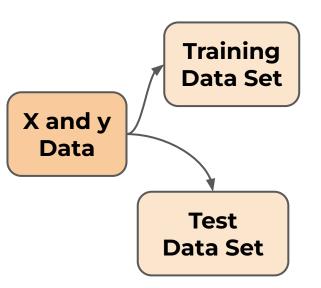


Get X and y data

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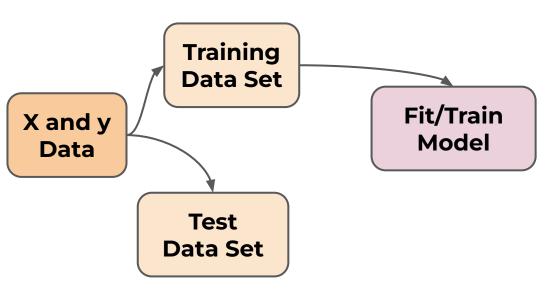
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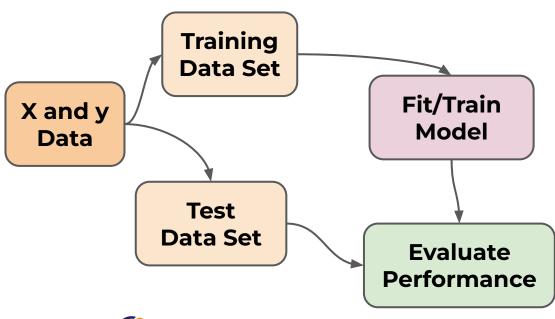
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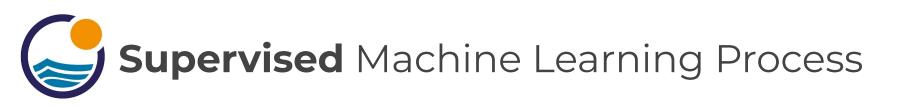




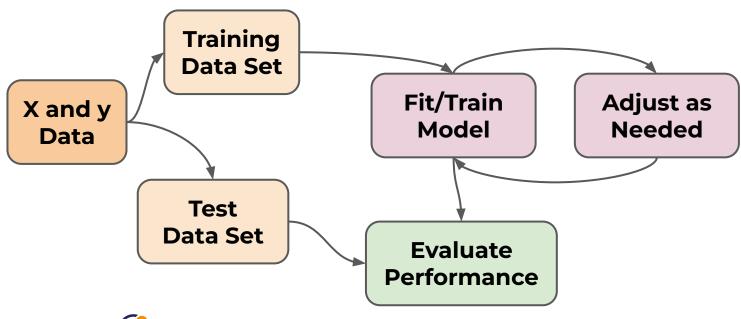
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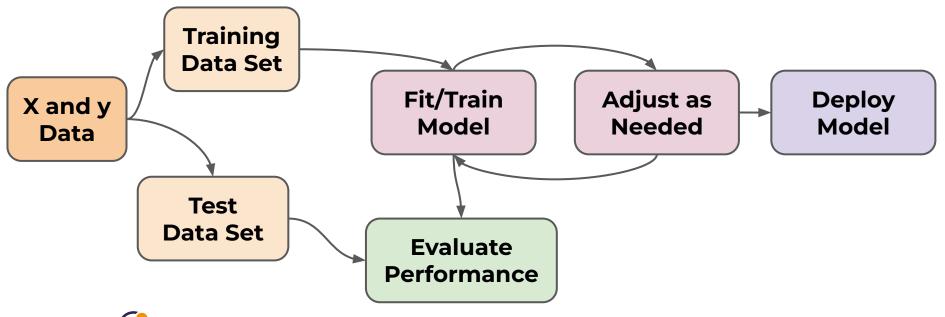
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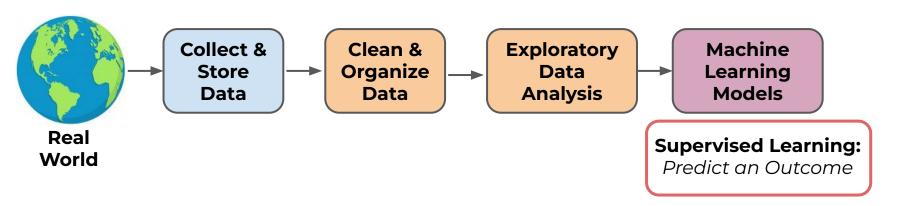
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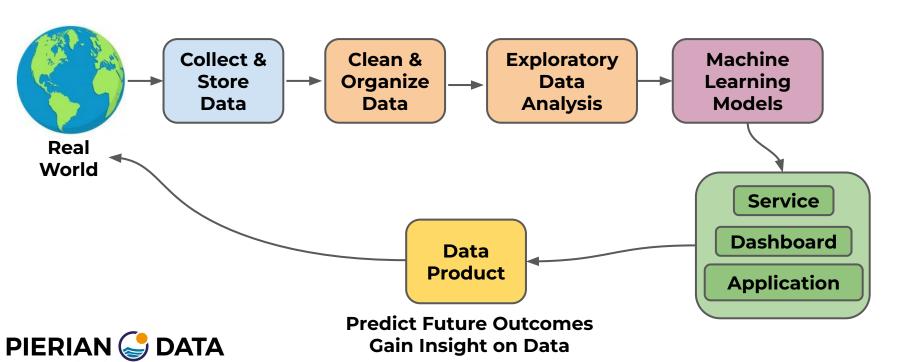


ML Process: Supervised Learning Tasks











# **Companion Book**





- ISLR Introduction to Statistical Learning
  - Freely available book that gives a fantastic overview of many of the ML algorithms we discuss in the course.
  - Quick note, it's code is for R users, but the math behind algorithms is the same regardless of programming language used in development.



- We will refer to the book for optional reading assignments.
- A few examples will line up nicely with the book content.
- Book is freely available, simply google search for relevant links:
  - ISLR + Pdf