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مقرر التعلم التلقائي

# مقدمة إلى التعلم التلقائي (تعلم الآلة) Introduction to Machine Learning

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# Road Map: *From Classical ML to Cutting-Edge AI*

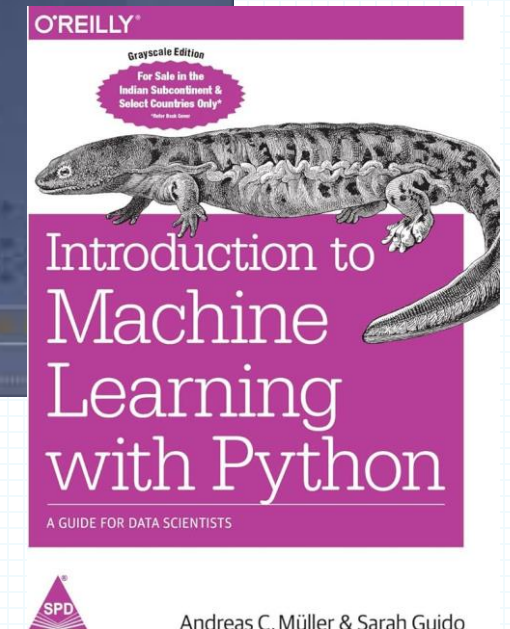
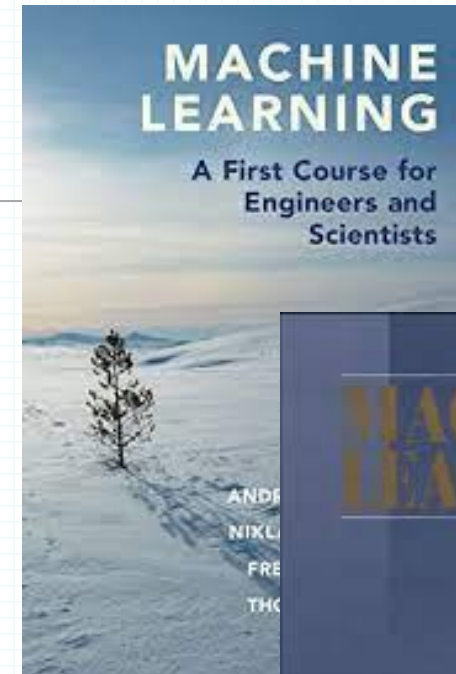
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- 1) Introduction to Machine Learning: Basic Concepts
- 2) Decision Trees
- 3) Estimation Strategy and Evaluation Metrics
- 4) Feature Engineering
- 5) Support Vector Machines (SVM)
- 6) KNN, Naive Bayes, etc
- 7) Ensemble Methods
- 8) Introduction to Deep Learning
- 9) Optimization in Deep Neural Networks
- 10) Generalization and Regularization in Deep Neural Networks
- 11) CNN, RNN, LSTM
- 12) Transformers
- 13) LLMs

# Outline of the course

- **Textbooks:**

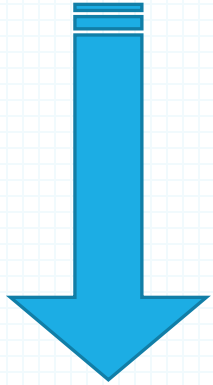
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# Evolution of problem-solving paradigms

## *Why we need Machine Learning?*

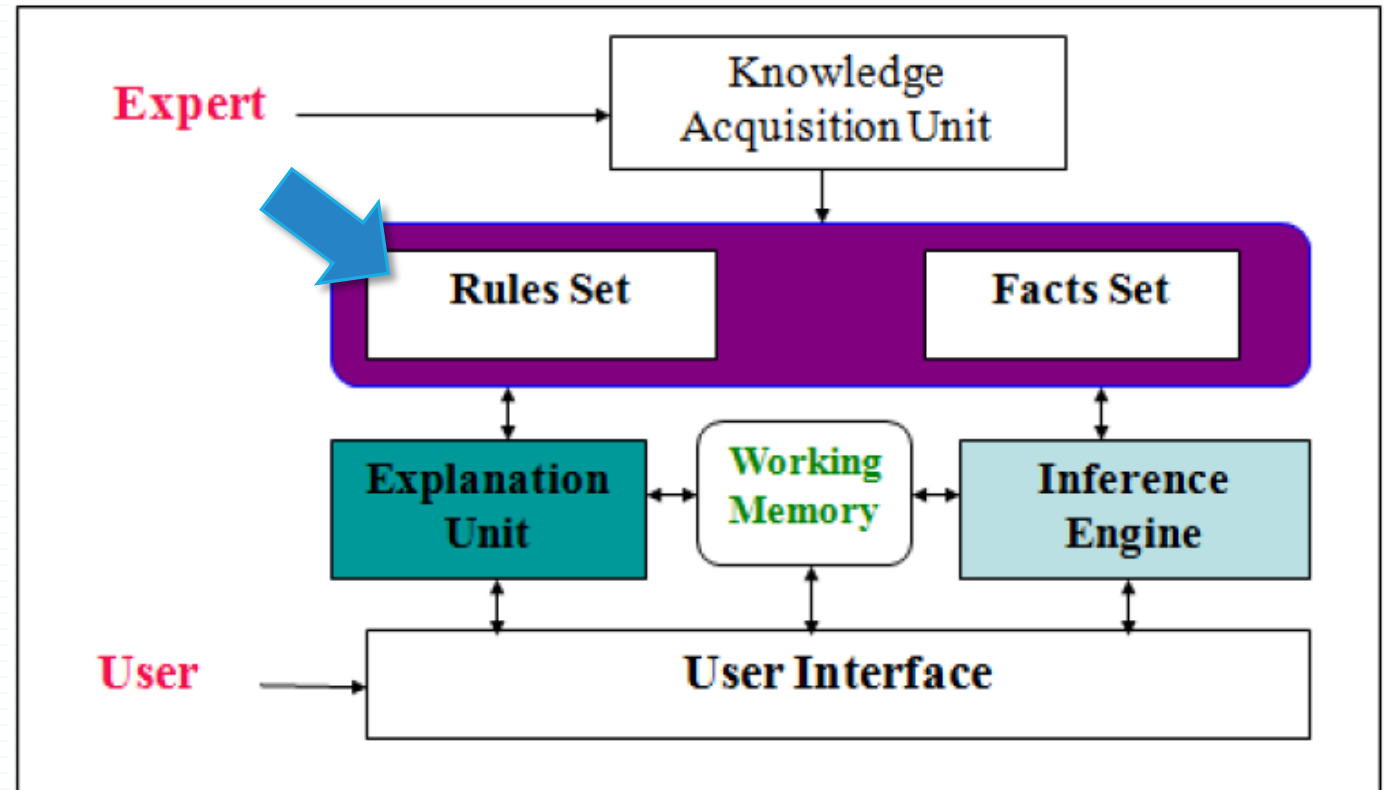
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- Traditional Algorithms
- Heuristics, A\* algorithms, approximate algorithms
- Expert Systems
- Machine Learning

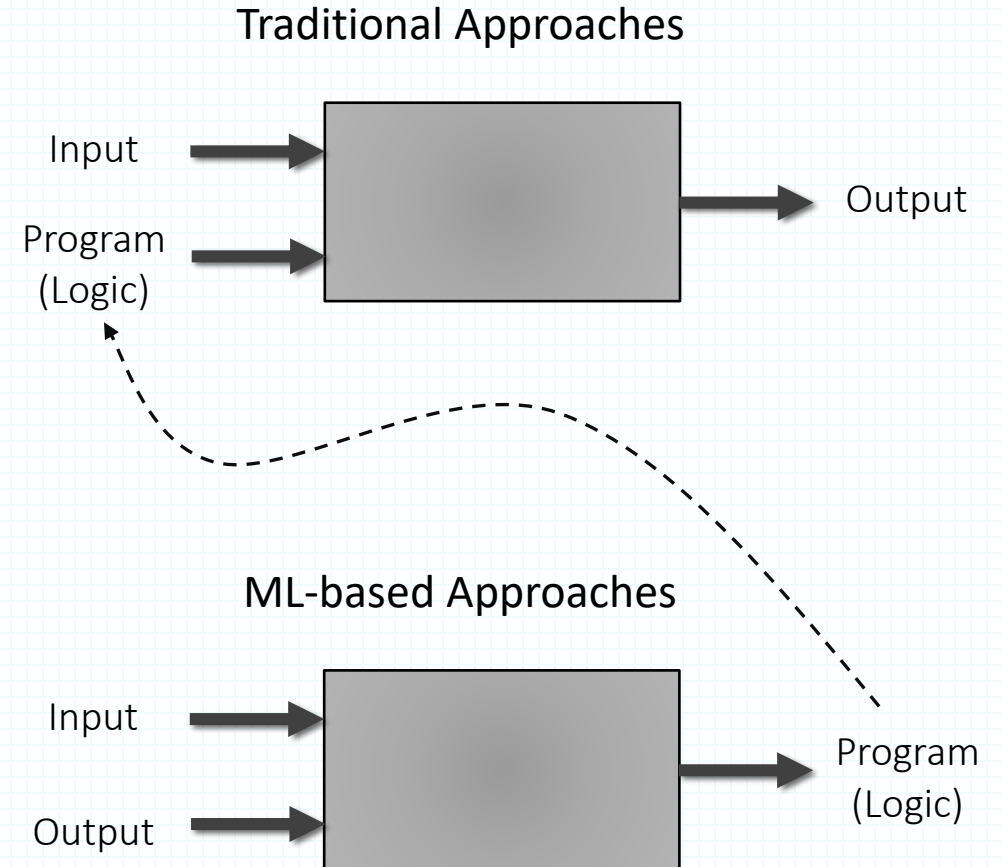
# Expert Systems: A quick revision

- An expert system generally consists of four components:
  - **Knowledge base (Rules)**
  - Search or inference system,
  - Knowledge acquisition system,
  - User interface or communication system.



# What is Machine Learning?

- Machine Learning is a type of Artificial Intelligence that provides computers with the ability to learn
- Getting computers to program themselves.



# Machine Learning $\approx$ Looking for a Function

- At its core, **Machine Learning is about finding a function** that maps inputs to outputs:
  - Where  $x$  is your input (features, observations)
  - $y$  is the target (label, prediction)
  - And  $f$  is the function learned from data
- Example:

$$f(\text{audio waveform}) = \text{"How are you"}$$

$$f(\text{cat image}) = \text{"Cat"}$$

$$f(\text{go board state}) = \text{"5-5" (next move)}$$

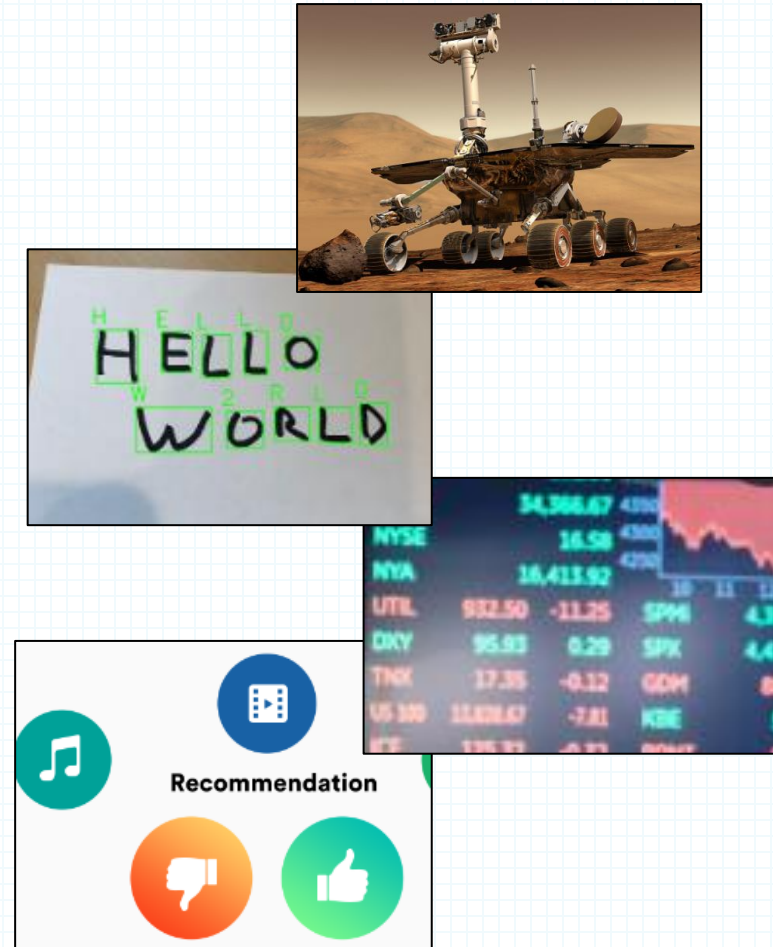
# When Do We Use Machine Learning?

- **ML is used when:**

- Human **expertise does not exist** (navigating on Mars),
- Humans are **unable to explain** their expertise (speech recognition, OCR)
- Solution **changes in time** (routing on a computer network, stock market)
- Solution needs to be **adapted to particular cases** (recommendation systems)

- **Learning is not always useful:**

- There is no need to “learn” to calculate payroll.





# Common ML Applications

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- Recognizing patterns:
  - Facial identities or facial expressions.
  - Handwritten or spoken words.
  - Medical images.
  - Sentiment Analysis.
- Generating patterns:
  - Generating images or motion sequences.
  - Articles generation.
- Recognizing anomalies:
  - Unusual credit card transactions
- Prediction:
  - Future stock prices or currency exchange rates
- Web search
- Computational biology
- Finance
- E-commerce
- Space exploration
- Robotics
- Information extraction
- Social networks
- Debugging

# Types of Learning

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- **Supervised (inductive) learning:** Training data **includes** desired outputs
  - Regression: predict numerical values
  - Classification: predict categorical values, i.e., labels
- **Unsupervised learning:** Training data does **not include** desired outputs
  - Clustering: group data according to "distance"
  - Association: find frequent co-occurrences
- **Semi-supervised learning**
  - Training data **includes a few** desired outputs. It combines a small set of labeled data with a large amount of unlabeled data to improve model performance and accuracy.
- **Reinforcement learning**
  - Learn to act based on **feedback/reward**.
- **Self-Supervised Learning.**
- etc

# Supervised Learning Techniques

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- **Numerical classifier functions**

- Linear classifier, perceptron, logistic regression, support vector machines (SVM), neural networks

- **Parametric (probabilistic) functions**

- Naïve Bayes, Gaussian discriminant analysis (GDA), hidden Markov models (HMM), probabilistic graphical models

- **Non-parametric (instance-based) functions**

- $k$ -nearest neighbors, kernel regression, kernel density estimation, local regression

- **Symbolic functions**

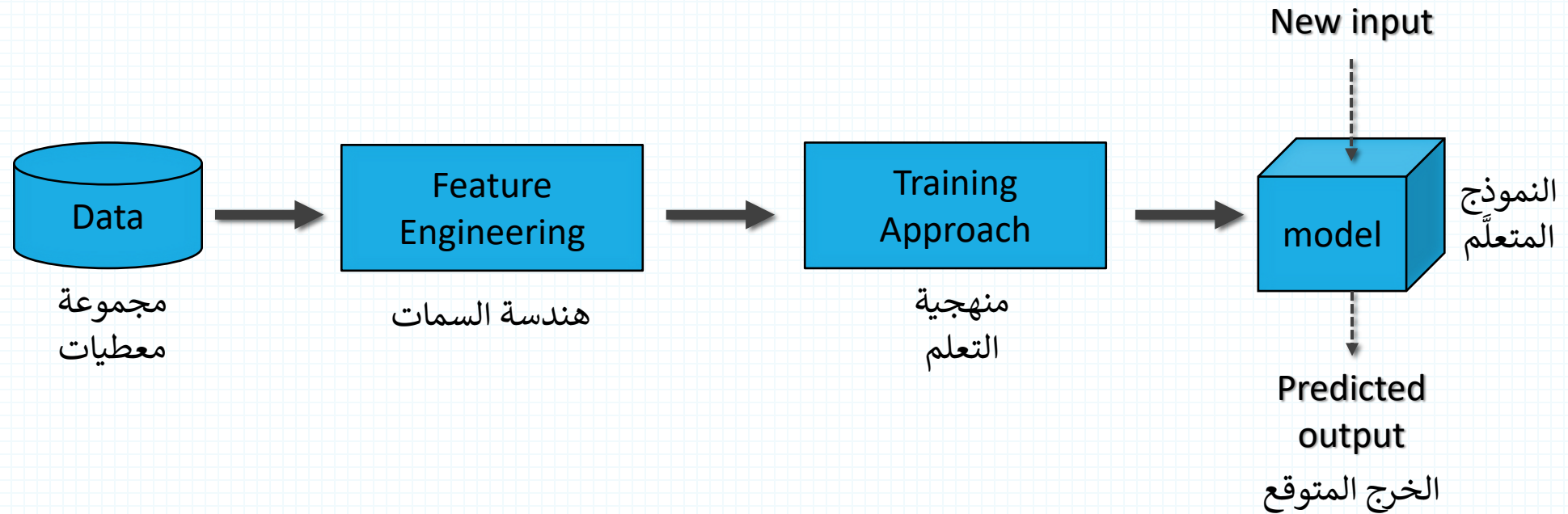
- Decision trees, classification and regression trees (CART)

- **Aggregation (ensemble) learning**

- Bagging, boosting (Adaboost), random forest

# ML Pipeline

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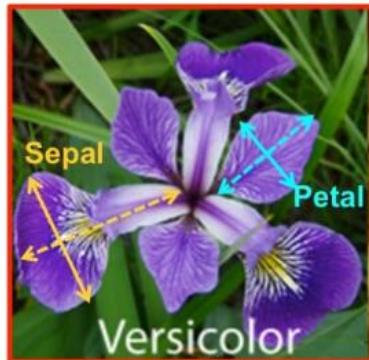
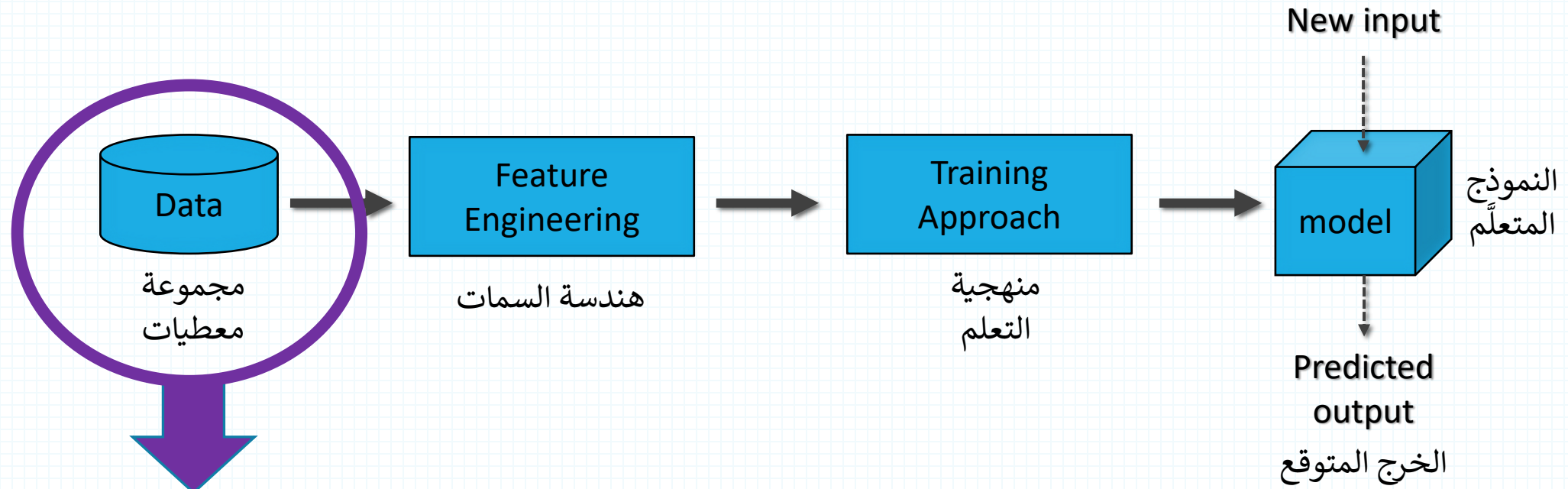
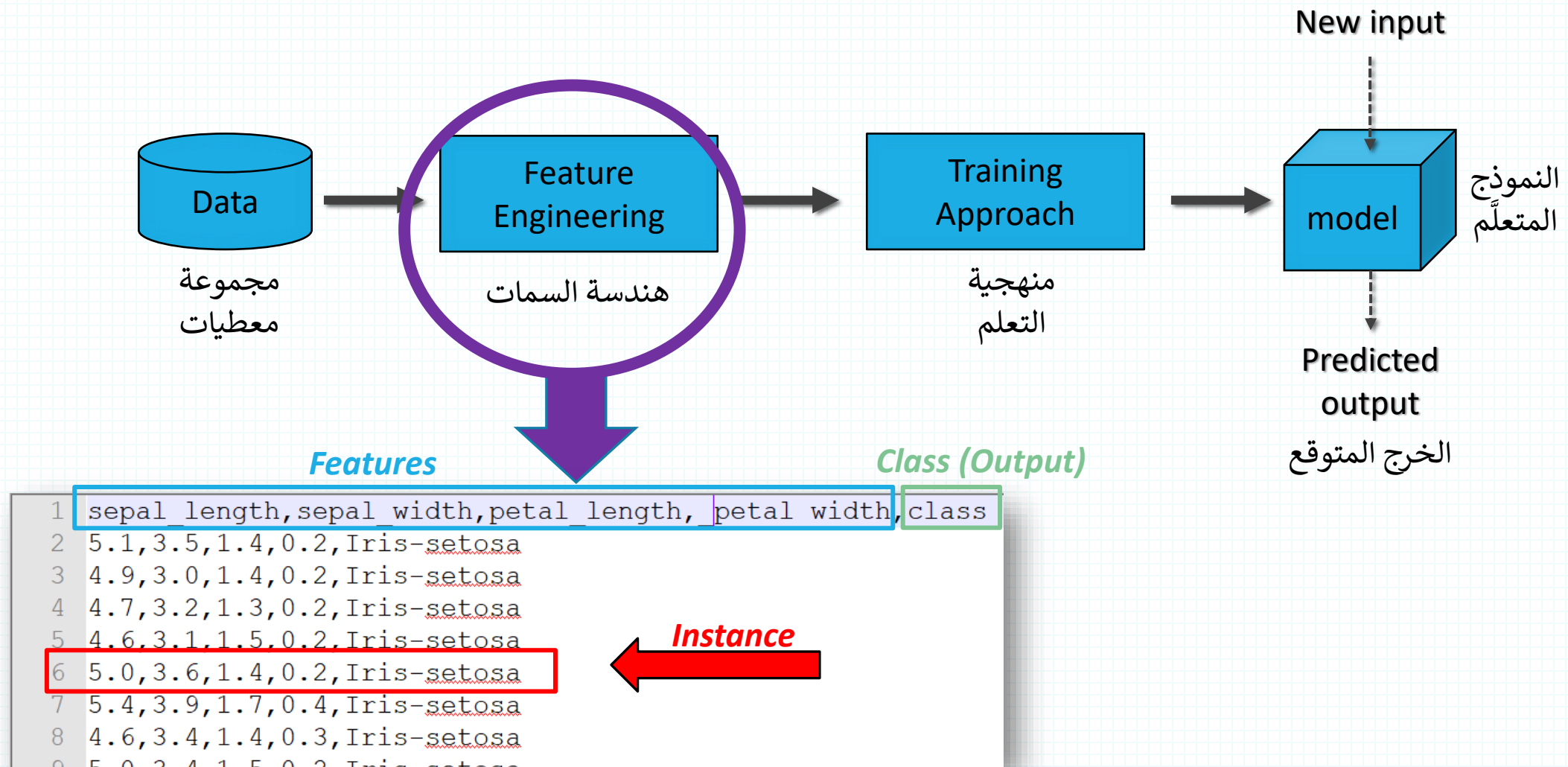
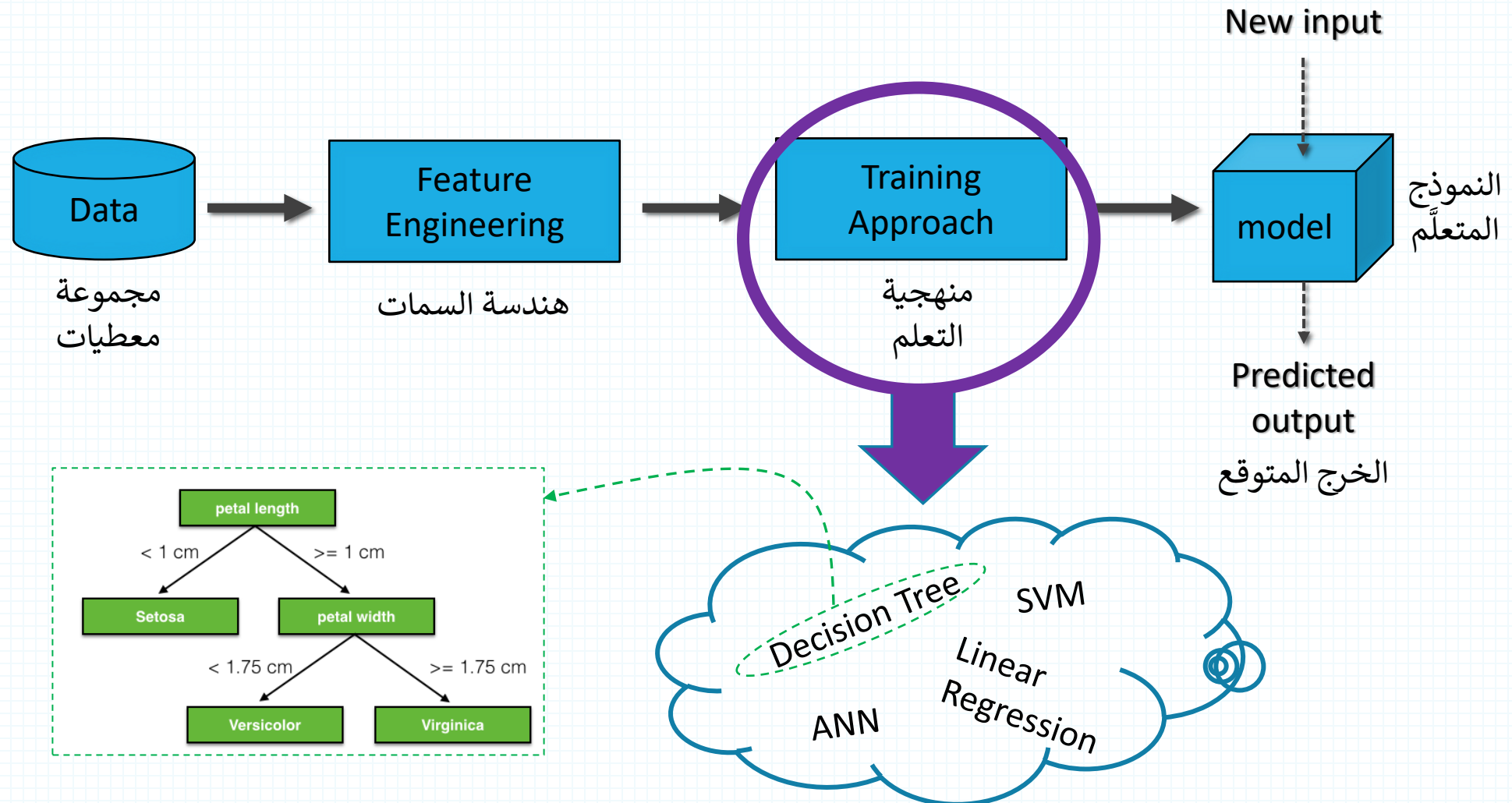


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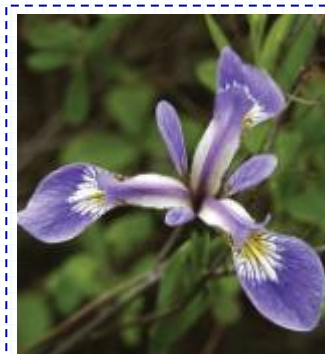
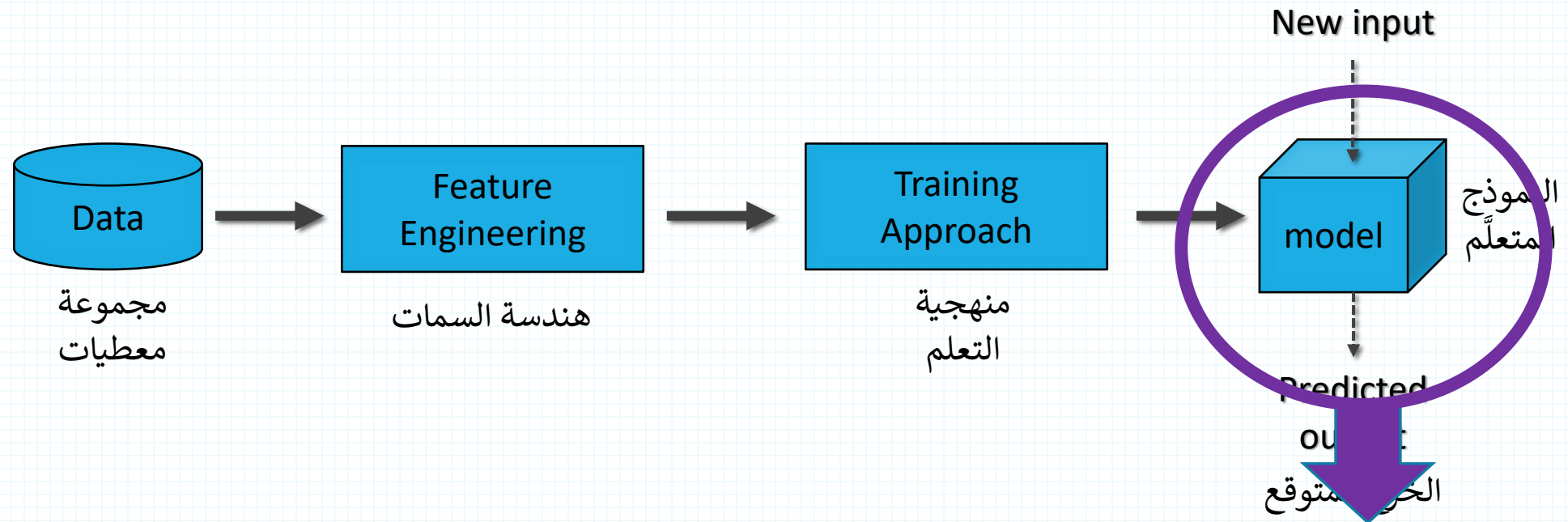


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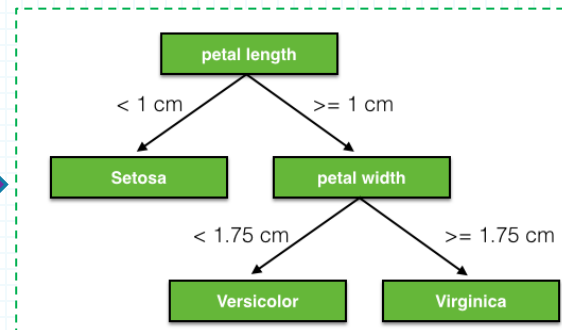




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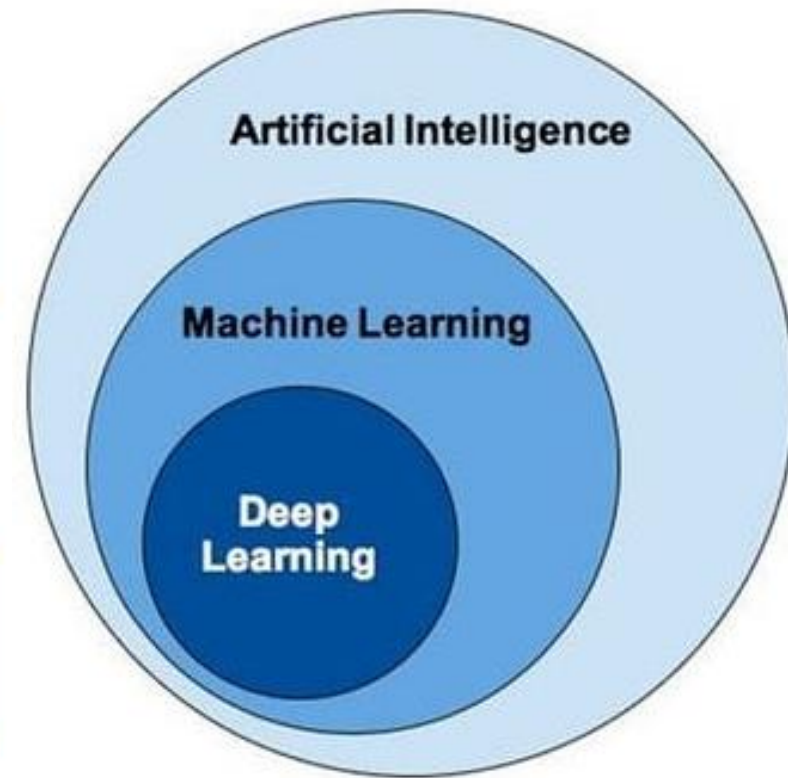
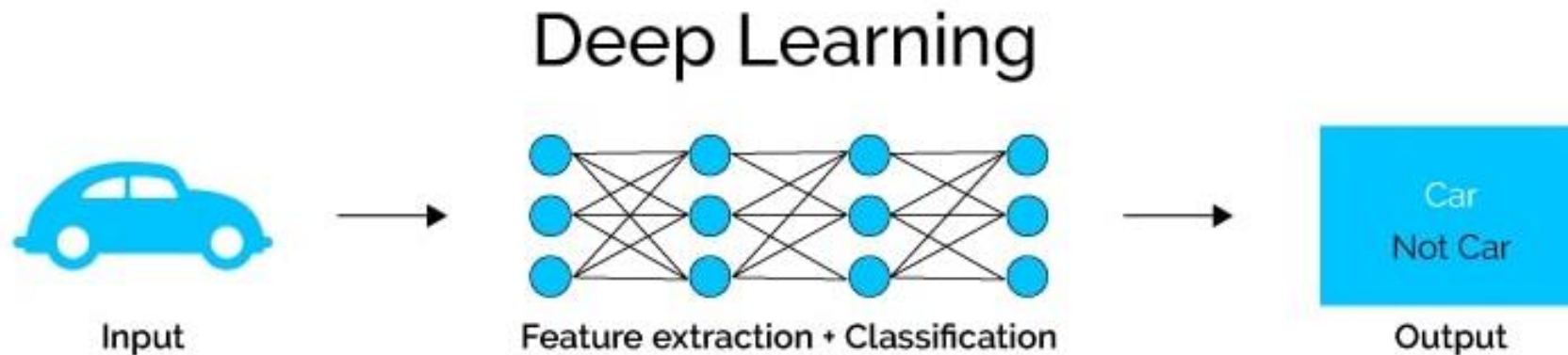
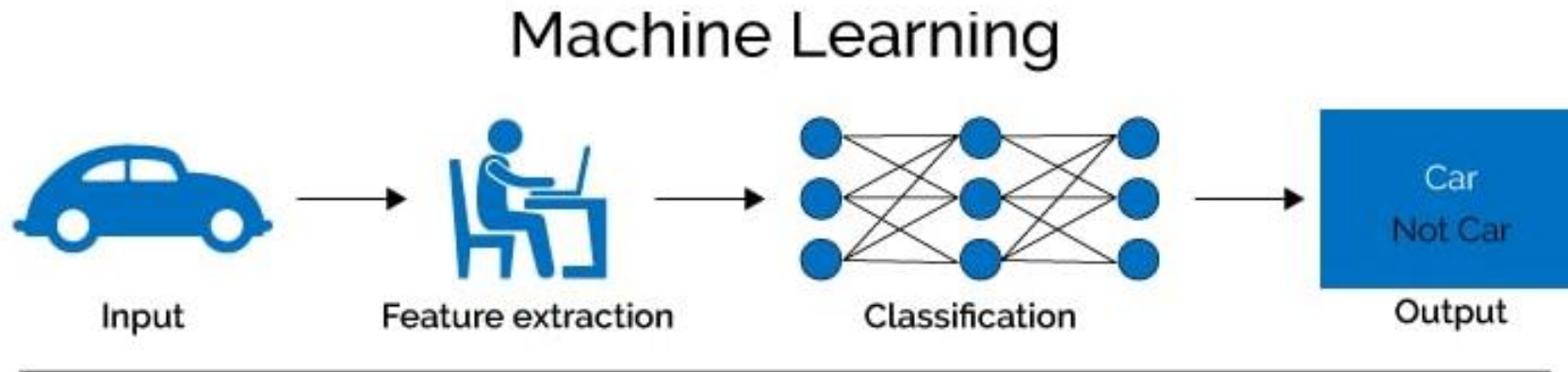


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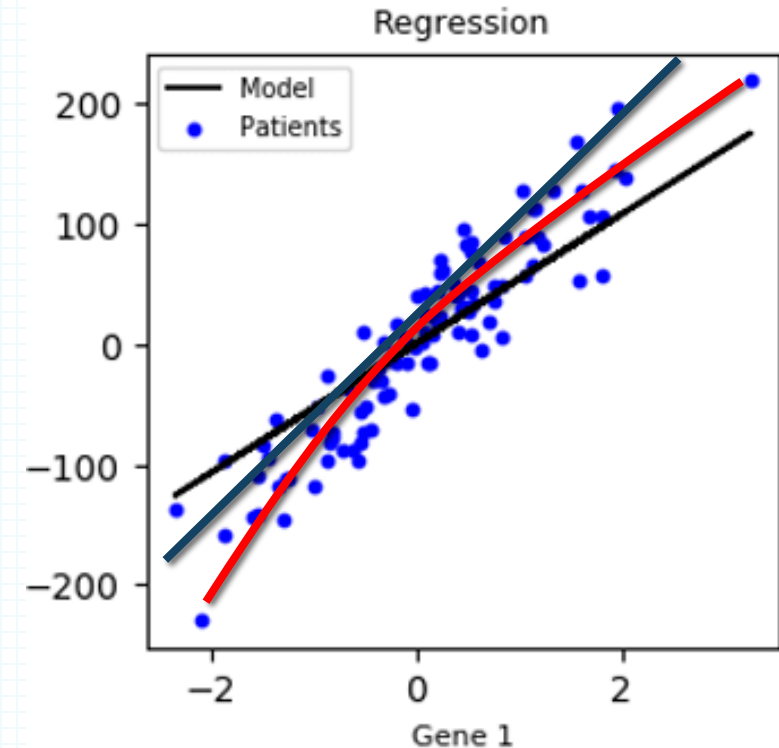
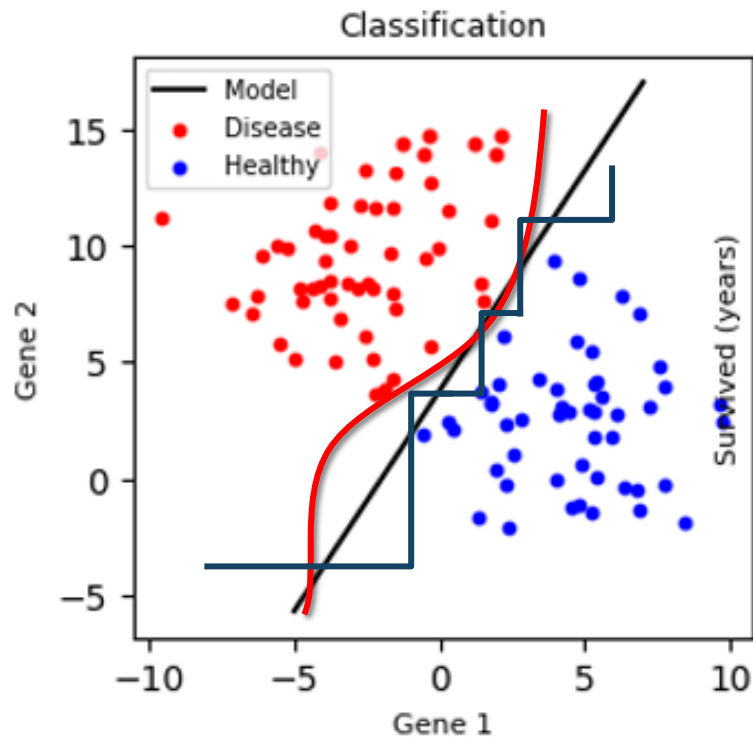
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# Traditional ML vs Deep Learning



# Challenges in Machine Learning: Model Selection and Generalization

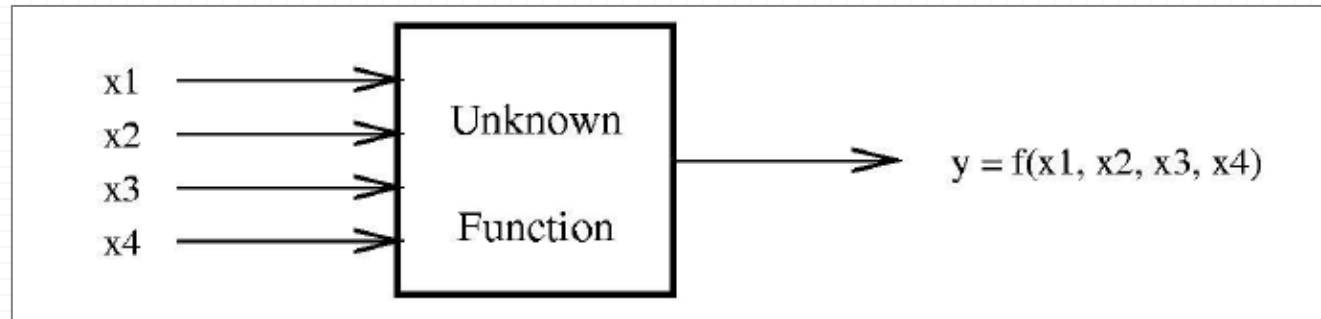
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Which Dissension Boundaries is better!

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## Example



Example	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$y$
1	0	0	1	0	0
2	0	1	0	0	0
3	0	0	1	1	1
4	1	0	0	1	1
5	0	1	1	0	0
6	1	1	0	0	0
7	0	1	0	1	0

What is the  
number of  
possible options?

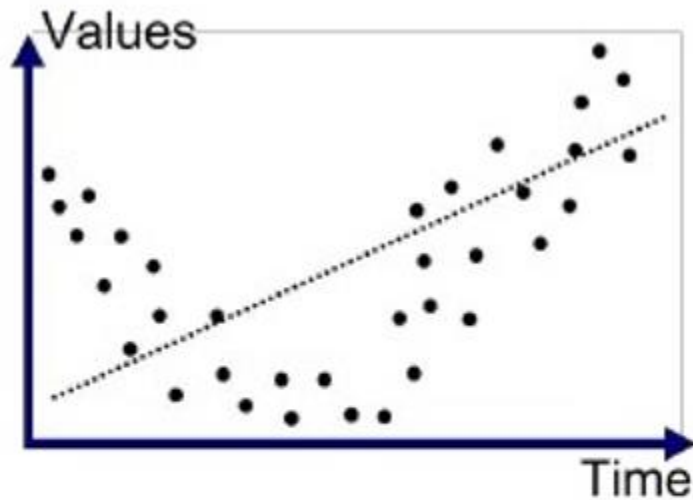
# One of the main Challenge in ML: The **vast** Number of Possible ML models!

- 4 Boolean features
  - $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 16$  options
  - Number of possible functions:  $2^{16}$
- We know 7 examples:
  - Number of possible functions:  $2^9$

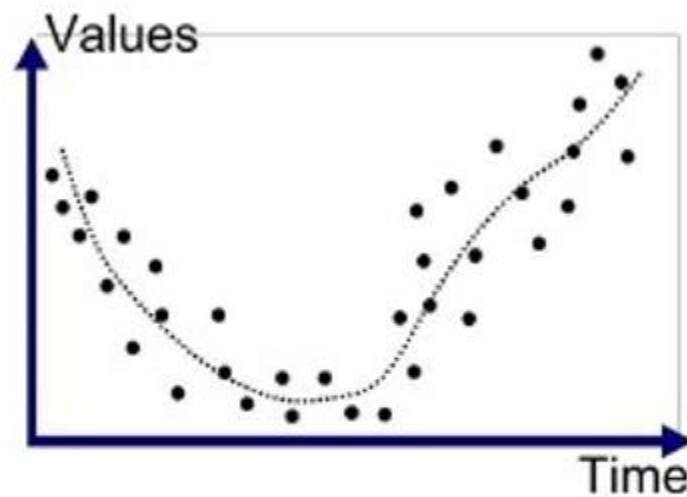
**So.. Which Model is better?**

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0	0	0	0	?
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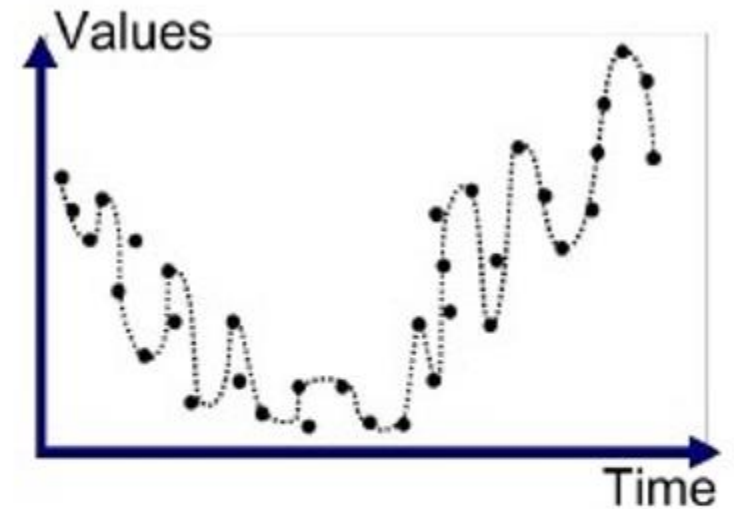
# So.. Which Model is better?



Underfitted



Good Fit/Robust



Overfitted

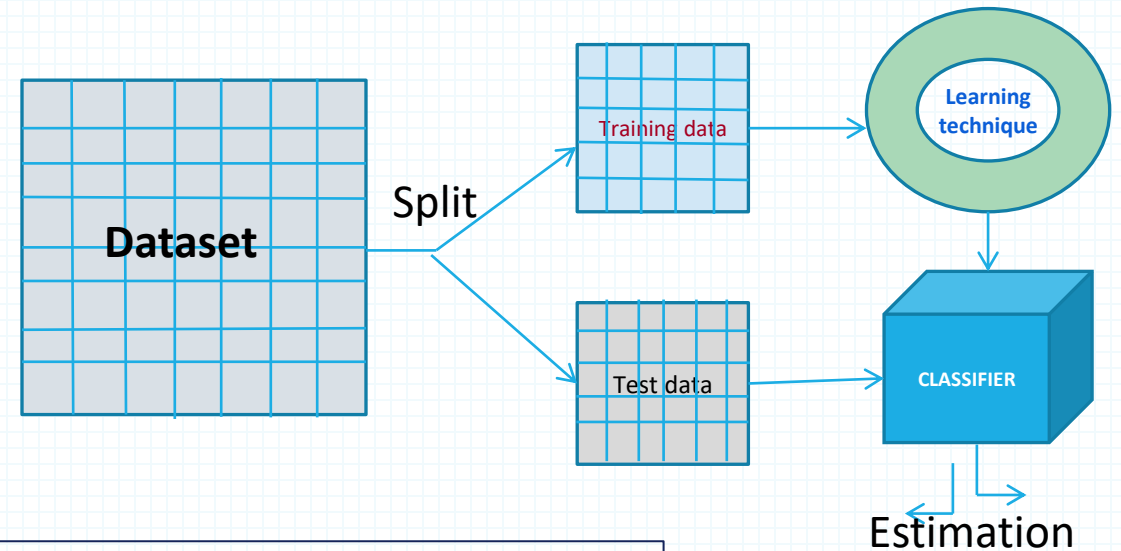
## Generalization

“model's ability to adapt properly to new, previously unseen data”

# How Can We Test on “Unseen” Data?

## We need an Evaluation Strategy

- Split dataset into two groups
  - Training set: used to train the classifier
  - Test set: used to estimate the error rate of the trained classifier.

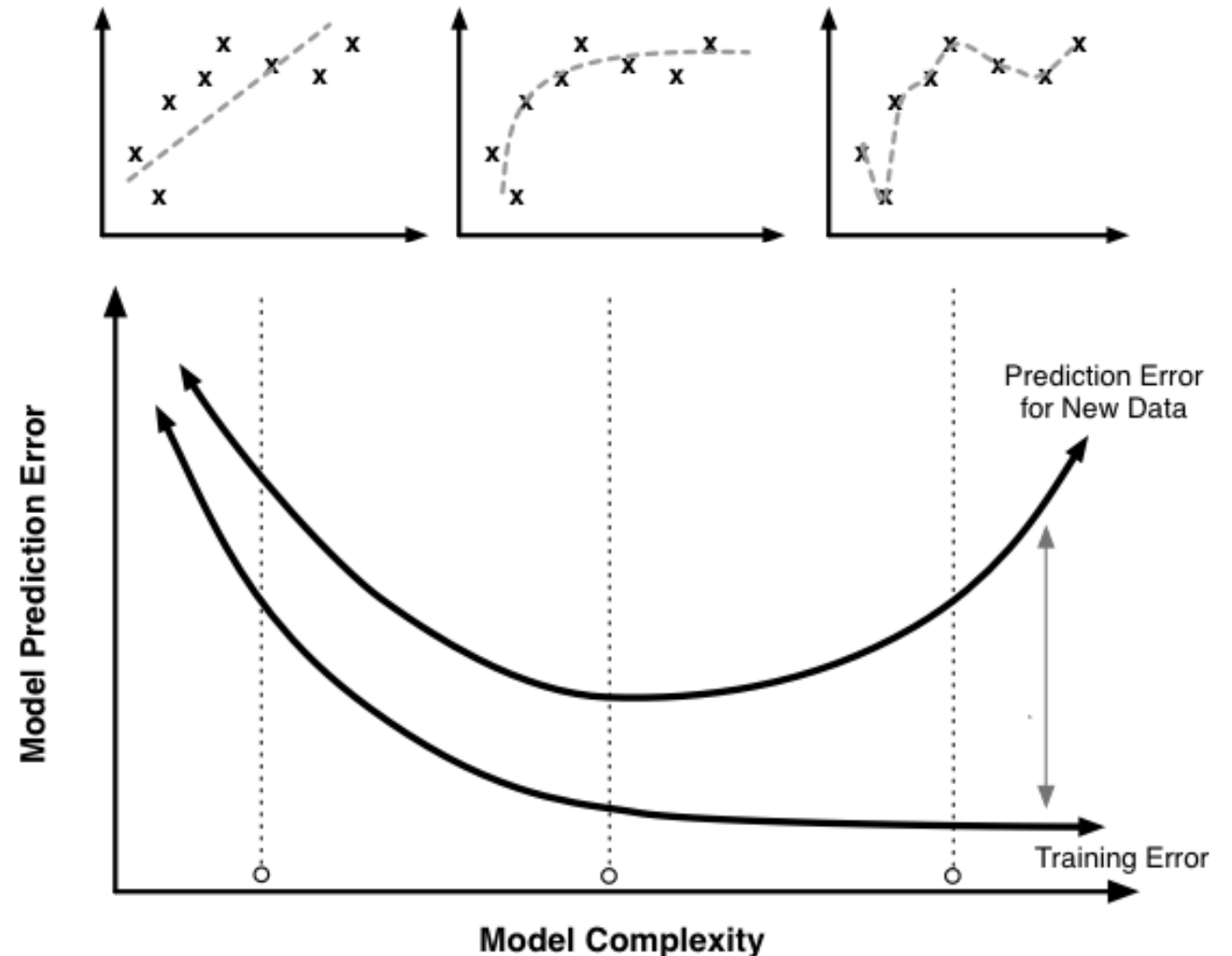


**Note:** This setup isn't perfect because I still see the test data when choosing the model, which can bias the results (We will discuss this point in more detail in a future lecture).



# Overfitting vs. Underfitting

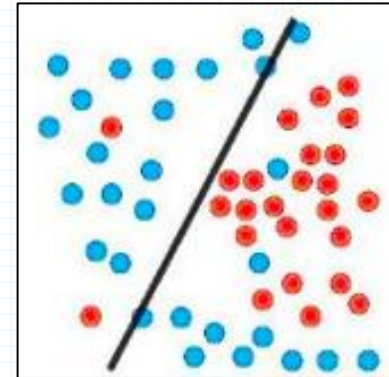
- **Overfitting:** The model learns noise and specific patterns in the training data, leading to poor performance on new data.
- **Underfitting:** The model is too simple and fails to capture meaningful patterns.



# Overfitting vs. Underfitting

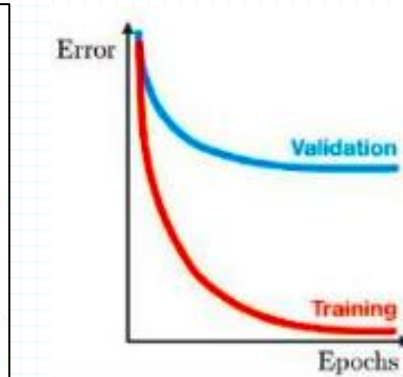
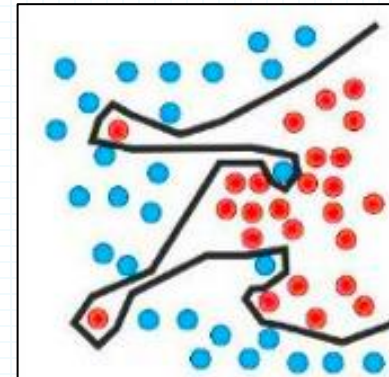
## ■ **Underfitting**

- The model is **too “simple”** to represent all the relevant class characteristics
- E.g., model with too few parameters produces high error on the training set and high error on the validation set



## ■ **Overfitting**

- The model is **too “complex”** and fits irrelevant characteristics (noise) in the data
- E.g., model with too many parameters produces low error on the training set and high error on the validation set



# Next Lectures

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