### Machine Learning: Four types of learning

How do computers learn like humans?

Machine learning means teaching computers to learn from data and make decisions without being told every step. It's like how you learn from examples and practice - computers can get smarter too!



### The 4 Types of Machine Learning You Should Know

Supervised Learning

Learning with a teacher

Unsupervised Learning

Finding patterns alone

Reinforcement Learning

Learning by rewards

Evolutionary Learning

Learning like nature

Let's explore each one with fun examples that show how computers can be just as curious as you are!

#### Supervised Learning: Learning with a Teacher



#### How it works:

- The computer learns from examples that have correct answers
- Like a teacher giving homework with solutions
- The computer guesses, checks if it's right, and gets better

**Cool example:** Teaching a computer to recognize cats by showing thousands of pictures labeled "cat" or "not cat" until it becomes an expert!

# Supervised Learning: Learning with a Teacher

Just like in your classroom, supervised learning needs a teacher to provide the right answers. The computer studies these examples until it can make accurate predictions on its own!



### Unsupervised Learning: Finding Patterns on Its Own



No Labels Needed

The computer gets data but no answers or labels to guide it.



Pattern Detective

It looks for hidden patterns and groups things that seem similar.



Real Example

Sorting your music into playlists by style without knowing the genres beforehand.

### Reinforcement Learning: Learning by Trying and Getting Rewards

Think of it like playing your favorite video game - you try different moves, see what works, and get better each time you play!

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Try an Action

Get Feedback

The computer makes a choice or move

It receives rewards for good moves or penalties for bad ones

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Learn and Improve

The computer remembers what worked and tries to do better next time





## Reinforcement Learning

### Learning by Rewards

Just like how you learned to ride a bike by practicing and celebrating small wins, robots learn to walk by getting rewards for each successful step!

#### Evolutionary Learning: Learning Like Nature Does

Inspired by how animals evolve and adapt over millions of years, this type of learning is pretty amazing!



Generate Ideas

Create many different solutions



Test & Select

Keep only the best performing ones



Improve

Make the next generation even better



**Cool example:** Designing better airplane wings by testing thousands of designs and keeping the ones that fly the best!



### Why Does Machine Learning Matter?

It's Already in Your Life

Voice assistants like Siri, recommendation systems on YouTube, filters on social media, and even some video games use machine learning every day.



Understanding these concepts opens doors to exciting careers in technology, robotics, game design, and so much more!



These techniques help solve real-world challenges like climate change, medical research, and space exploration.

# Ready to Explore Machine Learning?

#### Remember the Big Four:

- **Supervised** = learning with answers
- **Unsupervised** = finding patterns alone
- **Reinforcement** = learning by rewards
- **Evolutionary** = learning by improvement

Machine learning is like teaching computers to be curious and smart–just like you! The future is full of possibilities when humans and smart computers work together.

