



# Introduction to Machine Learning

Week 10 Day 01

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DS 3000 – Foundations of Data Science

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## Reminders

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### HW 6

Thursday, November 7

### FP3

Tuesday, November 12

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## Outline

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Intro to Machine Learning (ML)

Types of ML Tasks

Training and Testing

Classification Case Study

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## Data Science

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**The interdisciplinary study and practice of computationally extracting meaningful insights from data**

Three components:

**Exploration** → identifying patterns in data (messing around)

**Prediction** → making informed guesses

**Inference** → quantifying our degree of certainty

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## Machine Learning (ML)

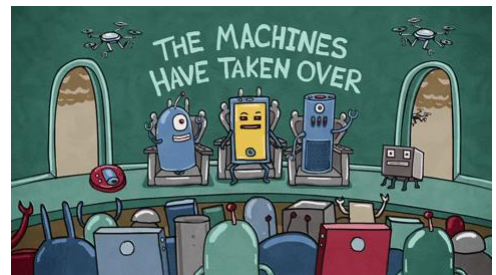
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The study of computer programs (algorithms) that can **learn by example**

Design predictive algorithms that learn from data

Replace humans in critical tasks

Subset of Artificial Intelligence (AI)



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## Machine Learning in Real Life

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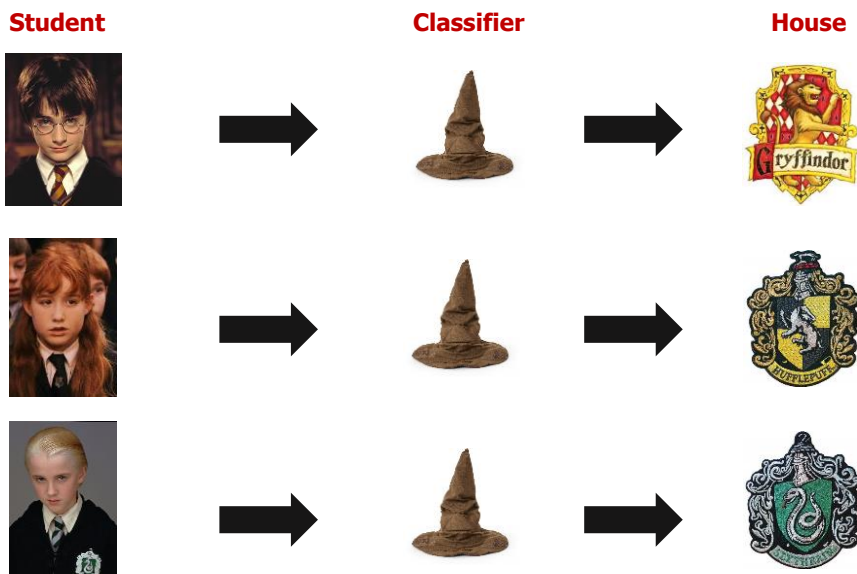
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## Sorting Hat as a Classifier



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## Predictions with ML

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Improve weather forecasting to save lives, minimize injuries and property damage

Improve cancer diagnoses and treatment regimens to save lives

Improve business forecasts to maximize profits and secure people's jobs

Detect fraudulent credit-card purchases and insurance claims

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## Popular Machine Learning Applications

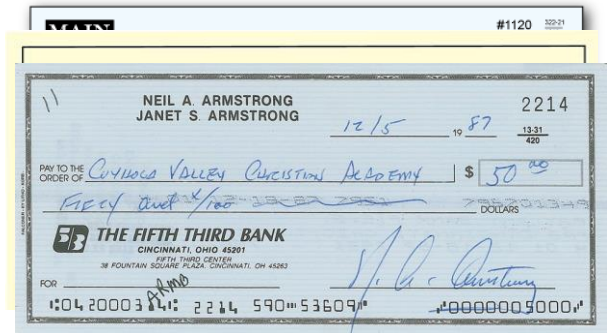
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Anomaly detection	Data mining social media (like Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)	Predict mortgage loan defaults
Chatbots	Detecting objects in scenes	Natural language translation (English to Spanish, French to Japanese, etc.)
Classifying emails as spam or not spam	Detecting patterns in data	Recommender systems ("people who bought this product also bought...")
Classifying news articles as sports, financial, politics, etc.	Diagnostic medicine	Self-Driving cars (more generally, autonomous vehicles)
Computer vision and image classification	Facial recognition	Sentiment analysis (like classifying movie reviews as positive, negative or neutral)
Credit-card fraud detection	Handwriting recognition	Spam filtering
Customer churn prediction	Insurance fraud detection	Time series predictions like stock-price forecasting and weather forecasting
Data compression	Intrusion detection in computer networks	Voice recognition
Data exploration	Marketing: Divide customers into clusters	

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## Machine Learning (ML)

How do check scanners work? How do they know the dollar amount?



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## Machine Learning (ML)

ML algorithms can generalize from existing examples of a task



digit = 2



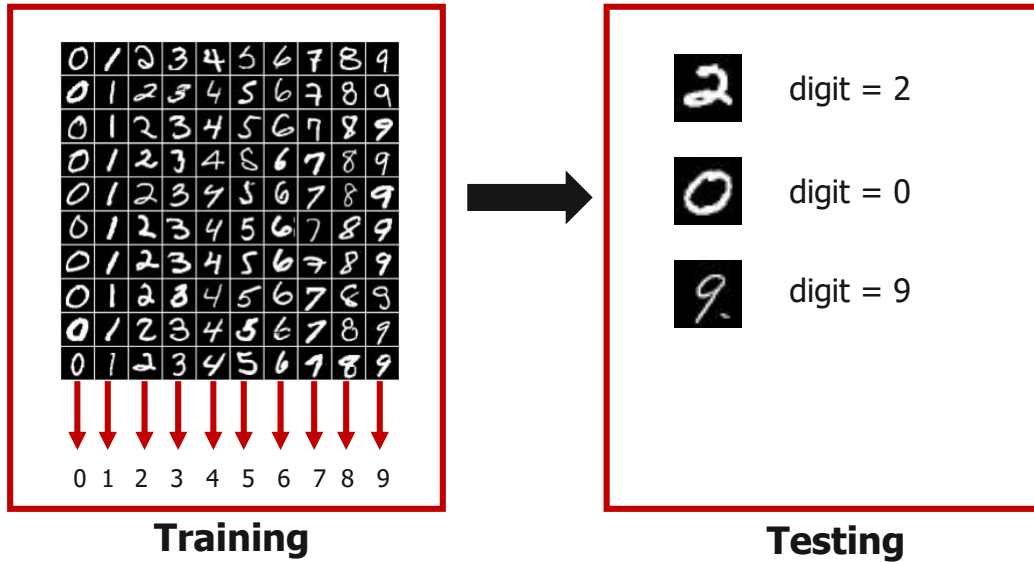
digit = 0



digit = 9

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## Machine Learning (ML)



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## Machine Learning (ML)

The process involves two main phases:

### Training

Learning from the data and fitting a model

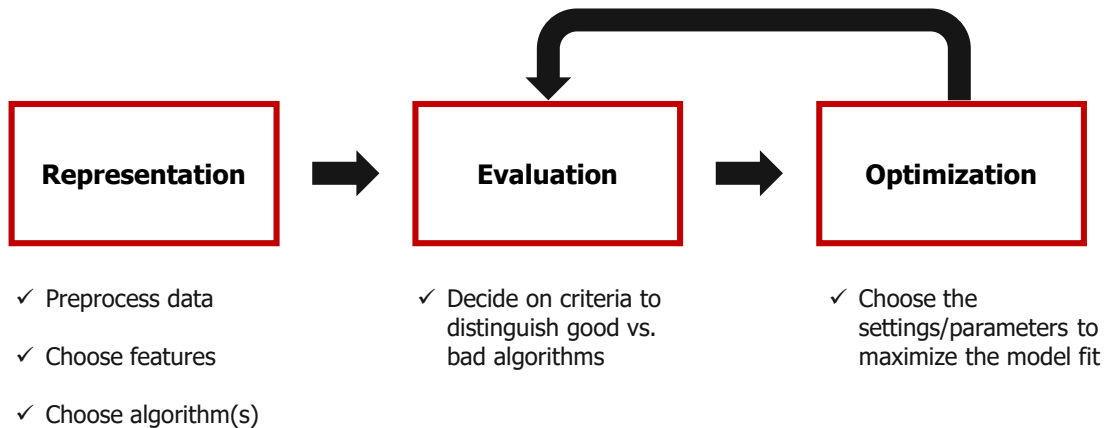
### Testing

Estimating how well your model has been trained

How well can you generalize to new datasets?

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## ML Workflow



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## Feature Representation/Extraction

The process of representing raw data in a meaningful way for ML tasks

Need to quantify the properties of the data

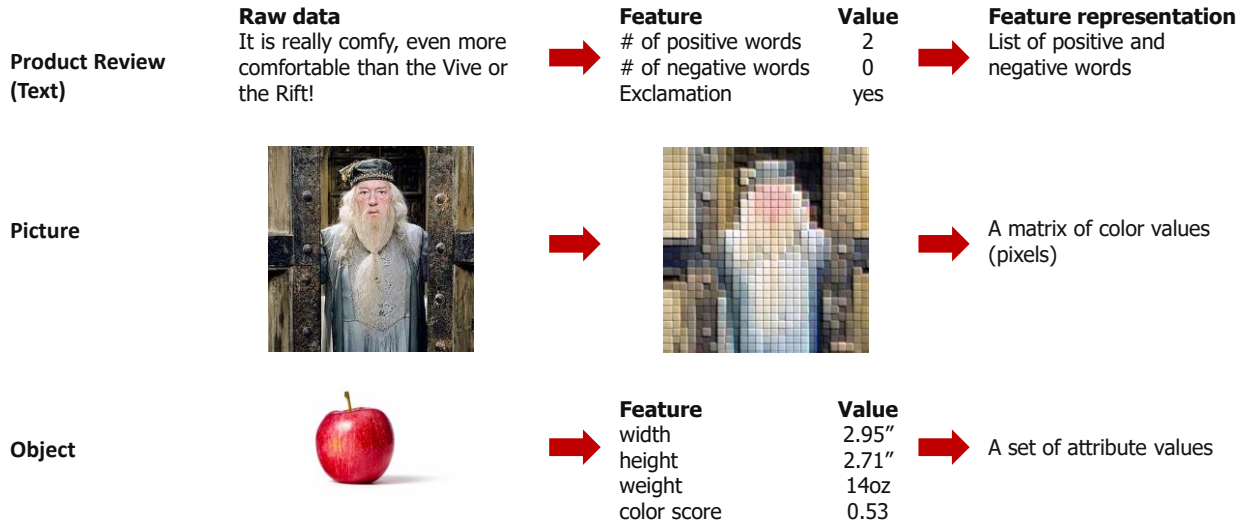
These are the variables based on which you will make predictions

Known as **features**, predictors, or attributes (sometimes IVs too)

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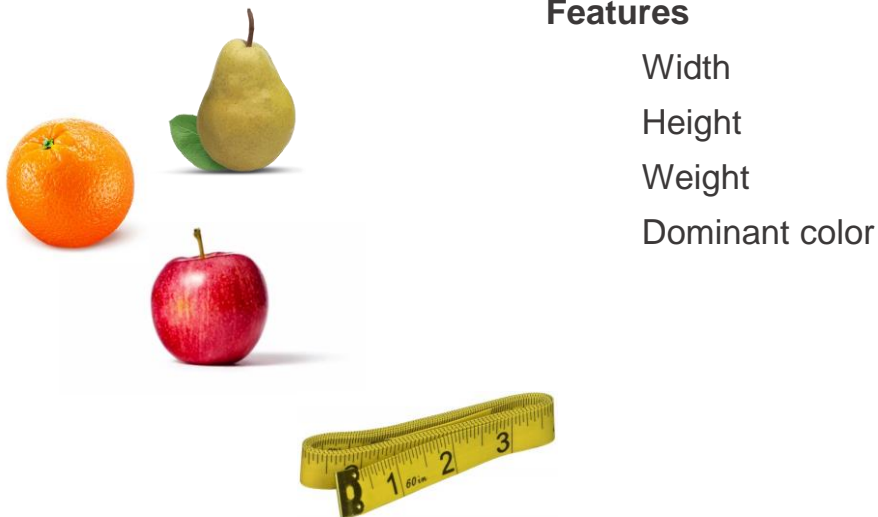


## Feature Representation/Extraction



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## ICA5: Fruits Dataset



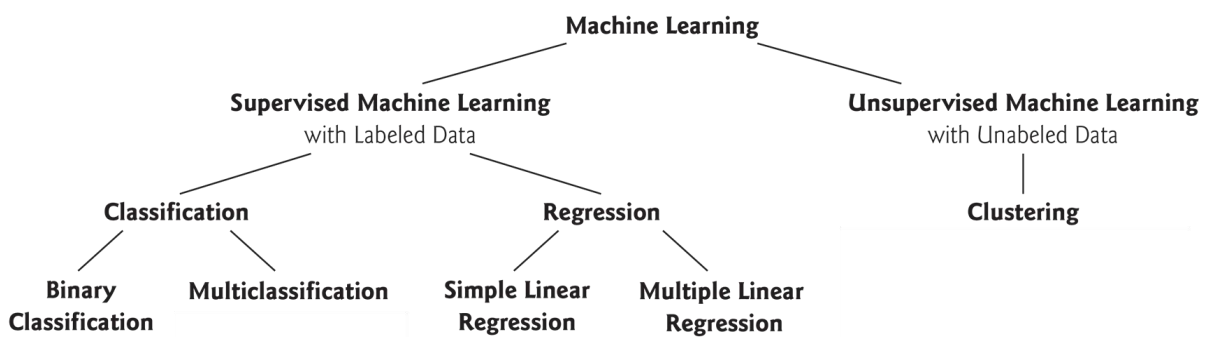
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# Types of ML Tasks

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## Two Types of ML Tasks

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## Two Types of ML Tasks

### Supervised Learning

Learn to predict target values from labeled data

Classification (target values are categorical/discrete classes)

Regression (target values are numeric/continuous values)

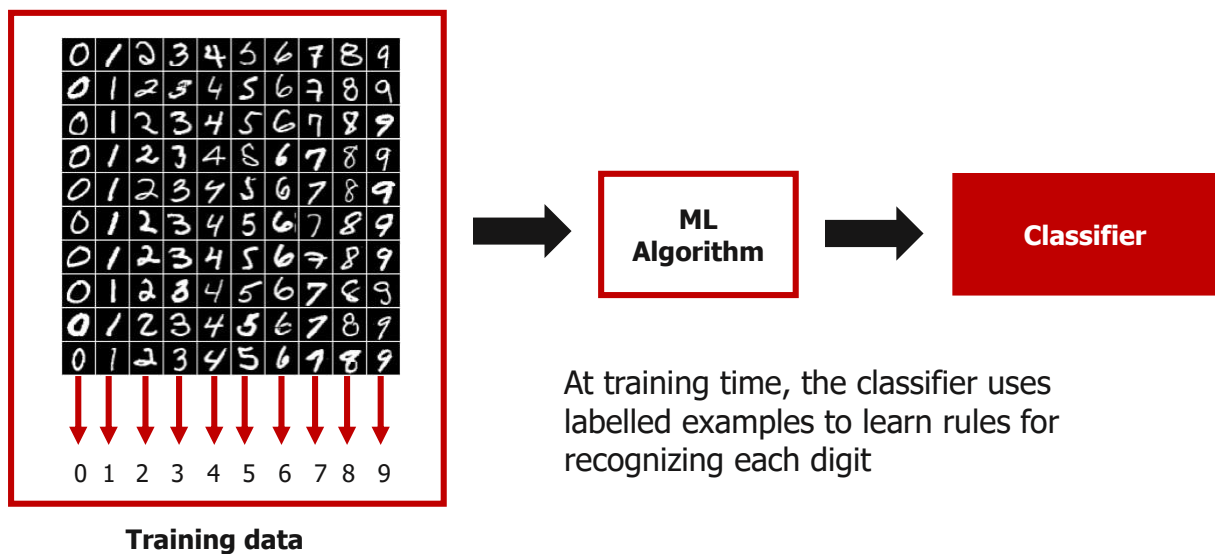
### Unsupervised Learning

Find structure in unlabeled data

Clustering (find groups of similar instances in the data)

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## Supervised Learning: Training



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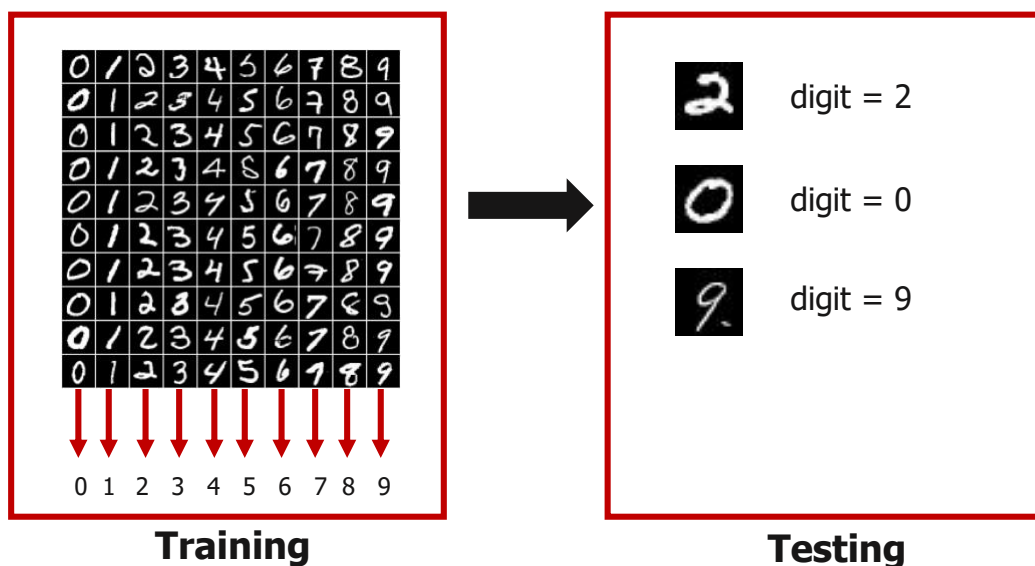
## Supervised Learning: Testing



After training, at prediction time, the trained model is used to predict the digit label for new instances using the learned rules.

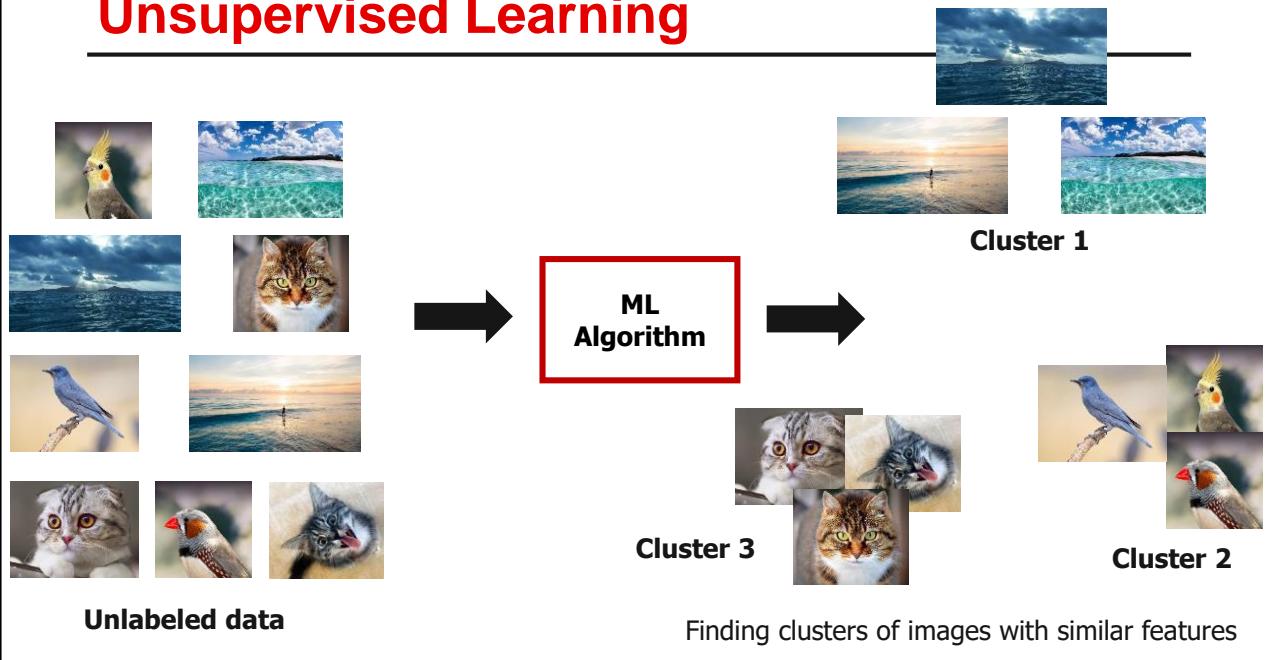
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## Supervised Learning



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## Unsupervised Learning



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## Training and Testing

Ideally, use two different data sets (one for training and one for testing)

Training and test sets are assumed to have been sampled independently from an infinite population

Never test your algorithm on your training data

What if you have just one dataset?

Percentage-split

Cross-validation

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## Training and Testing

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### Percentage-split method:

Involves randomly dividing the dataset into training and test sets

A certain percentage is used for each

75% training & 25% is typical (default in Sci-kit Learn)

70/30 or 80/20 are common too

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## Steps in a ML Case Study

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1. Load the dataset
2. Explore the data with pandas and visualizations
3. Transform your data (variable coding, normalization, etc.)
4. Split the data for training and testing
5. Create the model
6. Train and test the model
7. Tune the model and evaluate its accuracy
8. Make predictions on live data that the model hasn't seen before

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# Supervised Learning: Classification

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## Supervised Learning

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You train machine-learning models on datasets that consist of rows and columns.

Each row represents a **data *sample***.

Each column represents a **feature** of that sample.

In supervised machine learning, each sample has an **associated label called a *target*** (like “dog” or “cat”).

This is the **value you’re trying to predict for new data** that you present to your models.

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## Fruits Dataset

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weight	width	height	color_R	color_G	color_B	fruit
4.3	6.2	7.2	0.5	0.16	0.03	apple
6.9	6.3	7.7	0.88	0.76	0.36	apple
3.1	7.2	7.1	0.71	0.97	0.52	orange
5.8	6.5	7.1	0.37	0.34	0.58	pear
4.4	8	6.4	0.49	0.09	0.03	orange
6.9	6	8.2	0.75	0.94	0.84	orange
3.8	8.1	7.3	0.21	0.37	0.96	pear
6.9	7.6	7.8	0.01	0.43	0.32	apple
6.2	6.5	6.1	0.08	0.84	0.11	orange
5.5	6.3	6.1	0.84	0.5	0.93	pear
4	7.7	7.1	0.53	0.02	0.66	apple

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## Classification

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Classification algorithms predict the discrete classes (categories) to which samples belong

**Binary classification** uses two classes

e.g., “spam” or “not spam” in an email classification application

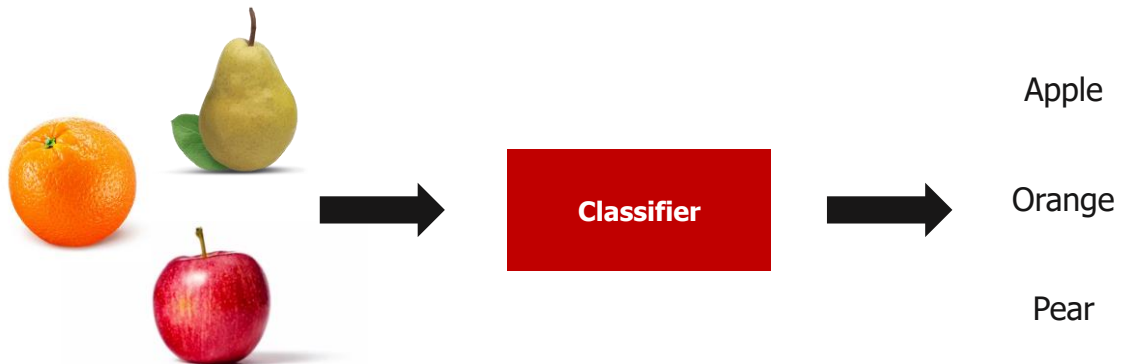
**Multi-classification** uses more than two classes

e.g., the 10 classes, 0 through 9, in the Digits dataset.

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## Distinguishing between Different Types of Fruit



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## Fruits Dataset

Each row represents a sample (a fruit)

weight	width	height	color_R	color_G	color_B	fruit
4.3	6.2	7.2	0.5	0.16	0.03	apple
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## Fruits Dataset

Columns represent **features** of each sample

Conventionally the last column is the **target** (label)

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	6.1	7.5	6.6	0.37	0.97	0.06	apple	
	4.7	7.5	6.2	0.23	0.4	0.54	orange	
	5.8	7	7.3	0.1	0.51	0.34	pear	
	3.1	6.8	6.1	0.47	0.55	0.27	orange	
	4.5	7.8	6.6	0.34	0.78	0.19	orange	
	3.4	7	6.1	0.15	0.47	0.37	pear	
	6.6	6	6.6	0.15	0.32	0.7	apple	
	6	6	7.8	0.31	0.29	0.48	orange	
	5.8	7.6	7.3	0.45	0.98	0.15	pear	
	6.5	6.5	6.4	0.32	0.46	0.29	apple	

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## **k-Nearest Neighbors**

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**Birds of a feather flock together**

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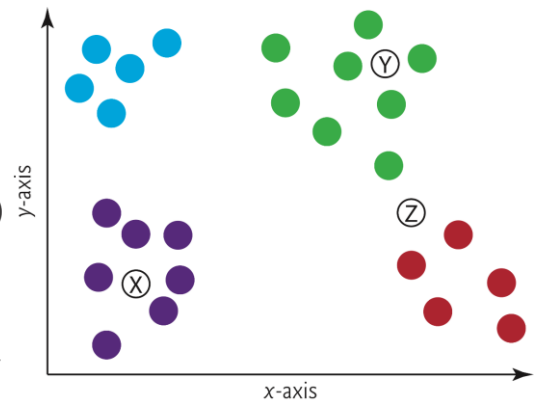
## k-Nearest Neighbors

Predict a sample's class by looking at the ***k*** training samples nearest in "distance" to the sample

Filled dots represent four distinct classes A (blue), B (green), C (red) and D (purple)

**Class with the most "votes" wins**

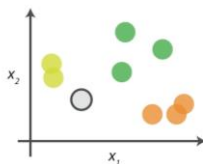
**Odd *k* value avoids ties** — there's never an equal number of votes



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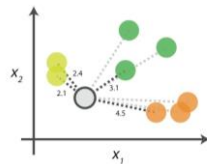
## k-Nearest Neighbors Algorithm

### 0. Look at the data



Say you want to classify the grey point into a class. Here, there are three potential classes - lime green, green and orange.

### 1. Calculate distances



Start by calculating the distances between the grey point and all other points.

### 2. Find neighbours

Point Distance	
● (lime green)	2.1 → 1st NN
● (green)	2.4 → 2nd NN
● (orange)	3.1 → 3rd NN
● (orange)	4.5 → 4th NN

Next, find the nearest neighbours by ranking points by increasing distance. The nearest neighbours (NNs) of the grey point are the ones closest in dataspace.

### 3. Vote on labels

Class	# of votes
● (lime green)	2
● (green)	1
● (orange)	1

Class ● wins the vote!  
Point ● is therefore predicted to be of class ●.

Vote on the predicted class labels based on the classes of the *k* nearest neighbours. Here, the labels were predicted based on the *k*=3 nearest neighbours.

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## k-Nearest Neighbors Algorithm

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Given a training set with features and labels, and given a new instance to be classified:

1. Find the **k**-most similar instances to the new sample in the training set
  - based on distance between the new sample and instances
2. Get the labels of the **k**-most similar instances in the training set
3. Predict the label for the new sample by combining the labels of the **k**-most similar instances
  - e.g. simple majority vote