

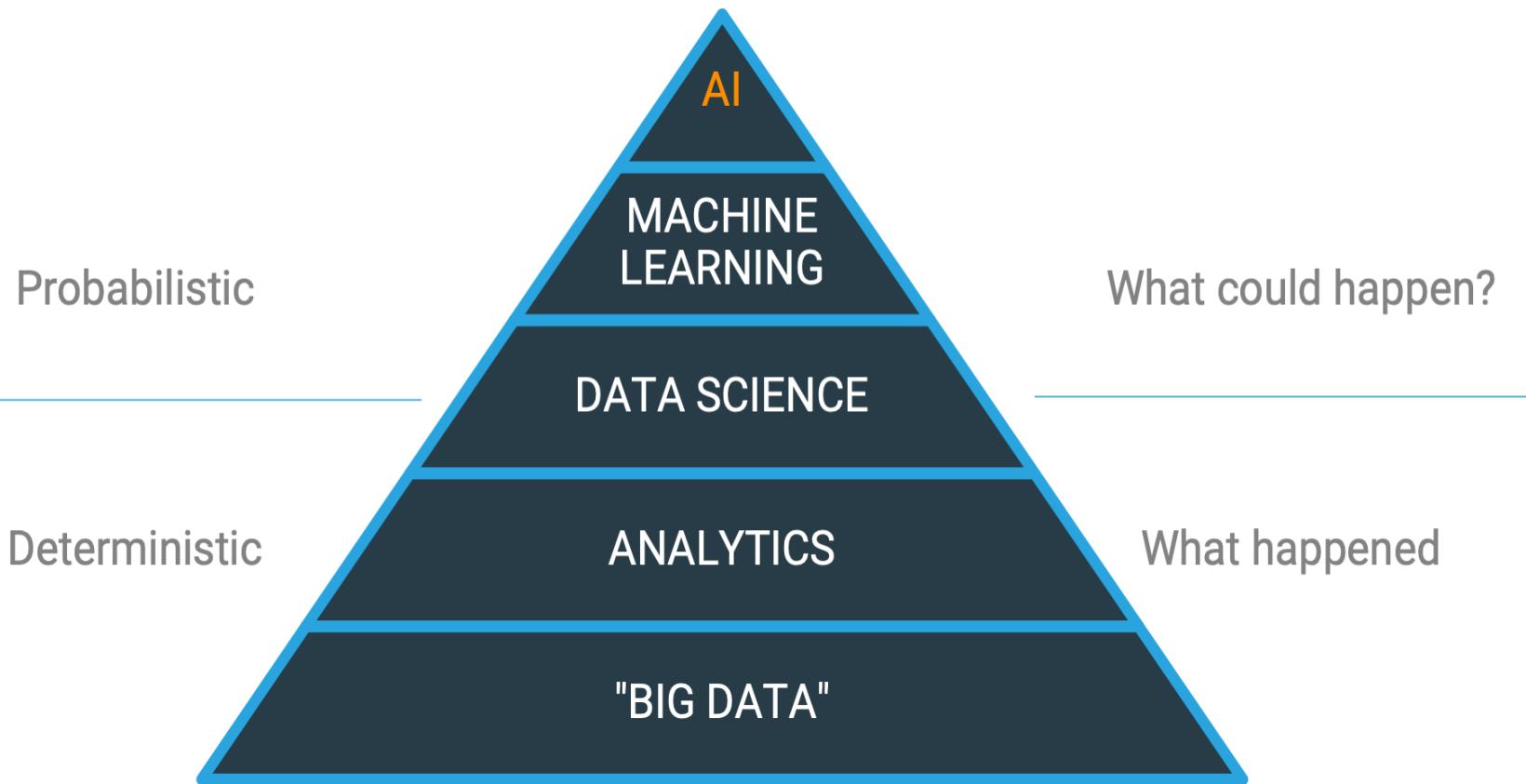
Machine Learning
is
the science (and art) of
programming computers so they
can *learn from data.*

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Week 1: Introduction to ML

What is ML

ML IS AT THE HEART OF TRANSFORMATION



Machine Learning & AI

- **Artificial Intelligence:** Design an intelligent agent that perceives its environment and make decisions to maximize chances of achieving its goal.
Subfields: Robotics, Machine Learning, Natural Language processing
- **Machine Learning:** Give “computer the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed.”
(Author Samuel, 1959)

Why Learning

Machine Learning is used when:

- Human expertise does not exist
(e.g. navigating on Mars)
- Humans are unable to explain their expertise
(e.g. speech recognition)
- Solution changes in time
(e.g. routing on a computer network. self-driving cars)



IBM Deep Blue defeated the world chess champion
Garry Kasparov May 1997. Rule-based system.



Professional Go player Lee Sedol reviewing his math with AlphaGo after defeat March 2016. [Atlantic](#)

Supervised Learning

- Labeled data
- Direct feedback
- Predict outcome/future

Unsupervised Learning

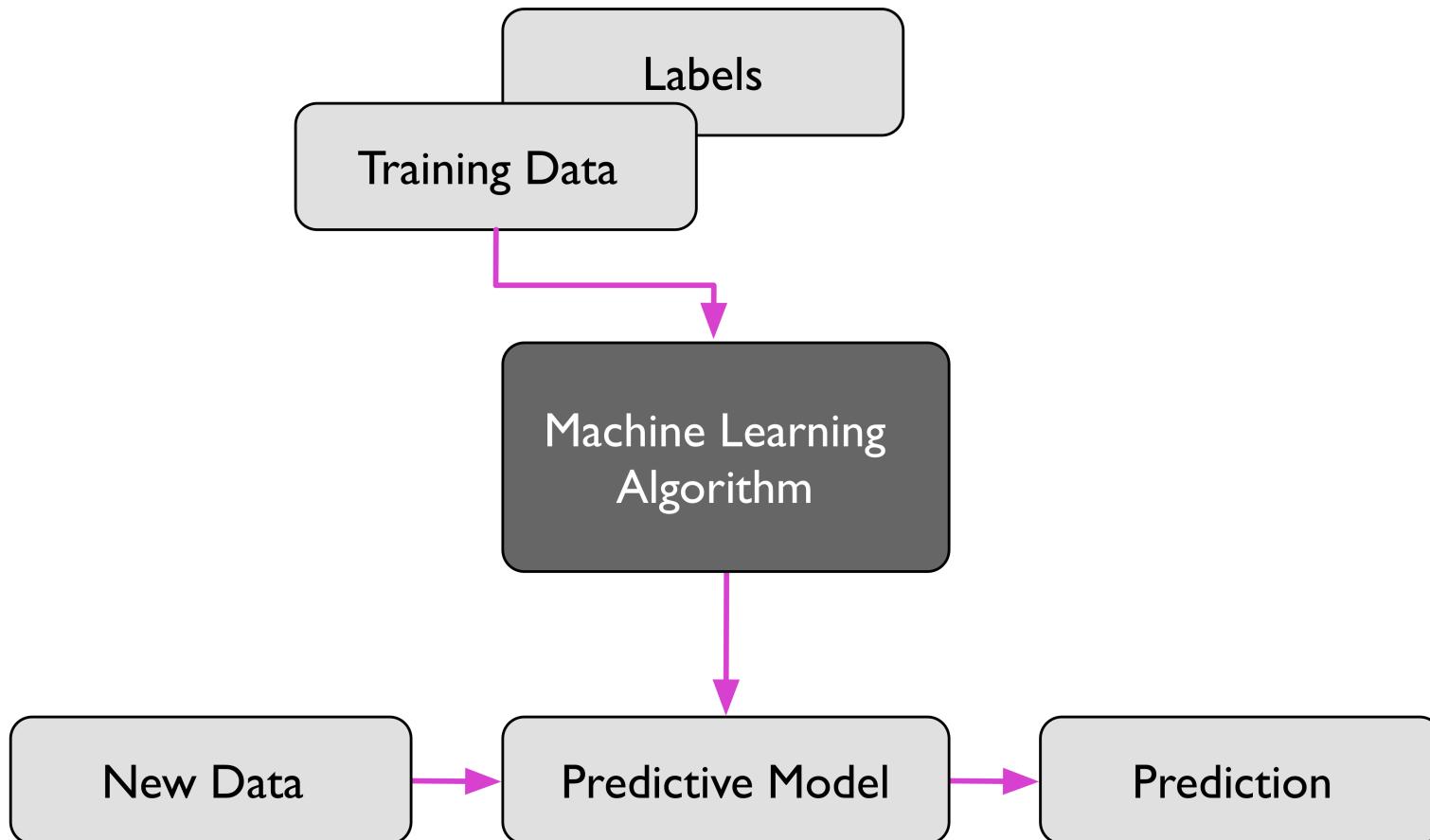
- No labels/targets
- No feedback
- Find hidden structure in data

Reinforcement Learning

- Decision process
- Reward system
- Learn series of actions

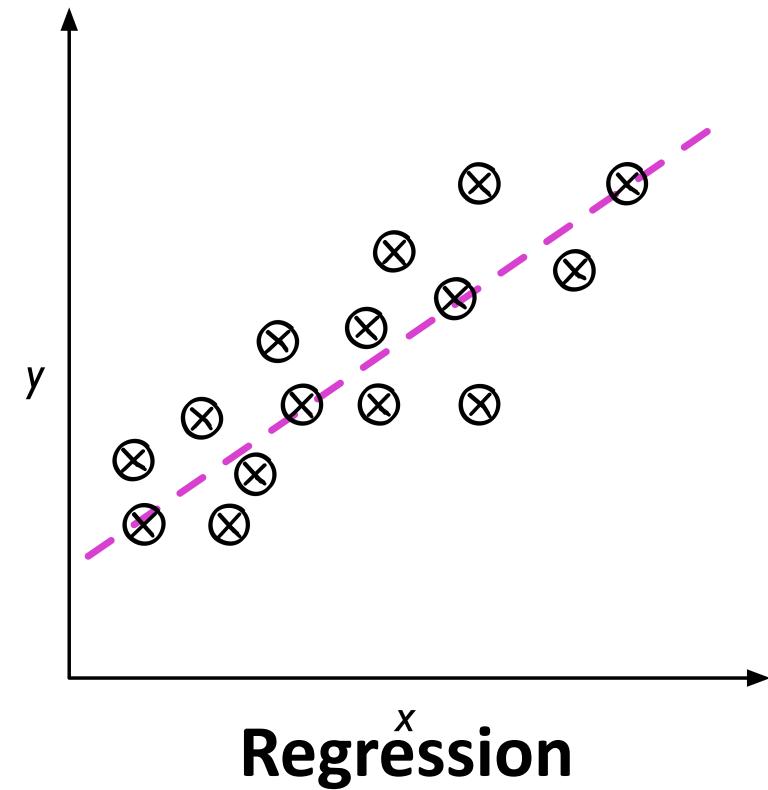
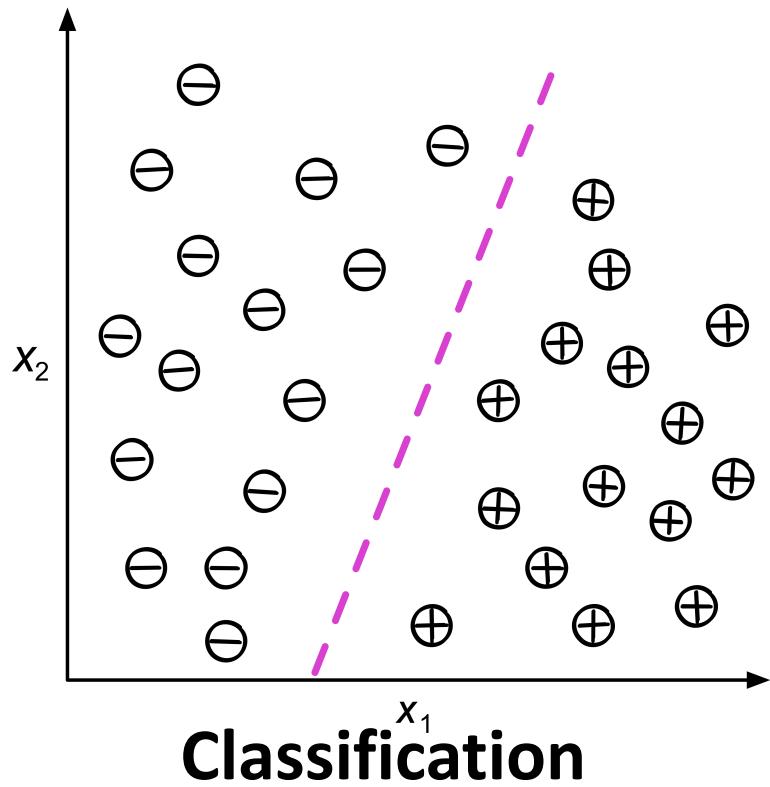
Supervised Learning

After sufficient training, a supervised technique provides target for new inputs



Supervised Learning

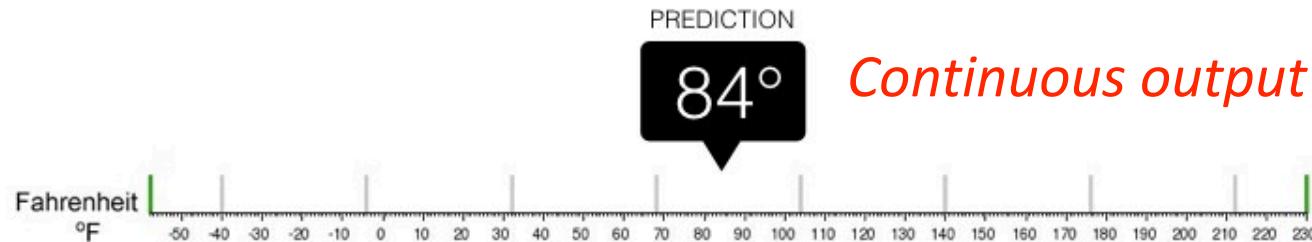
- Knowledge of outputs
- Labeled data





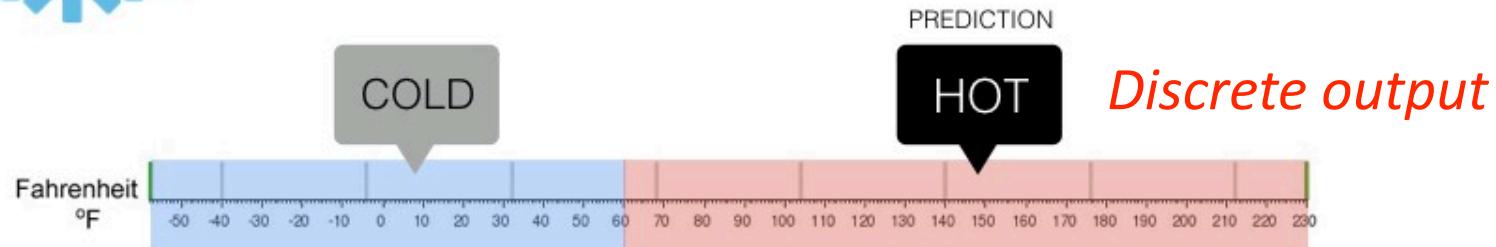
Regression

What is the temperature going to be tomorrow?



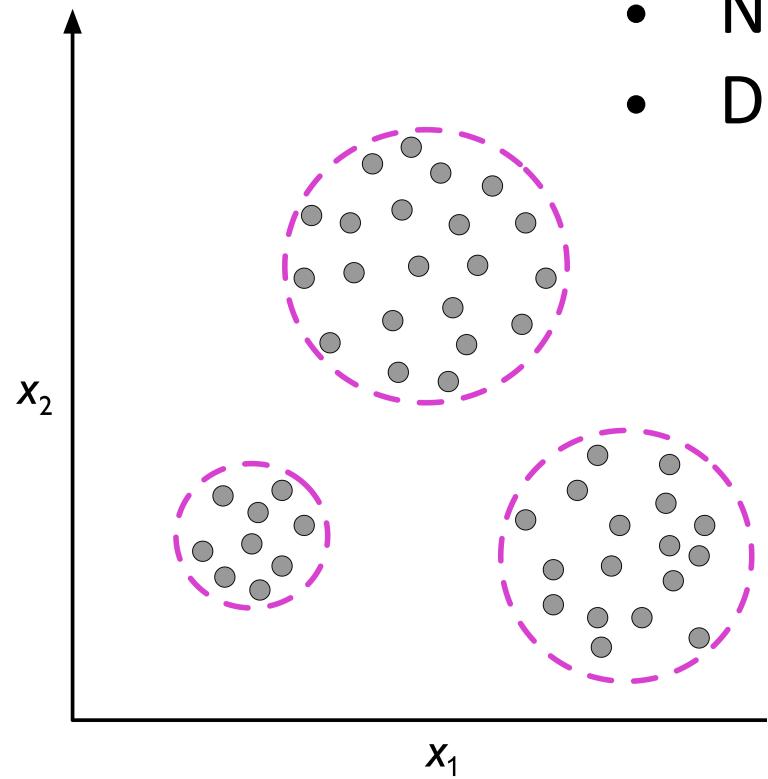
Classification

Will it be Cold or Hot tomorrow?

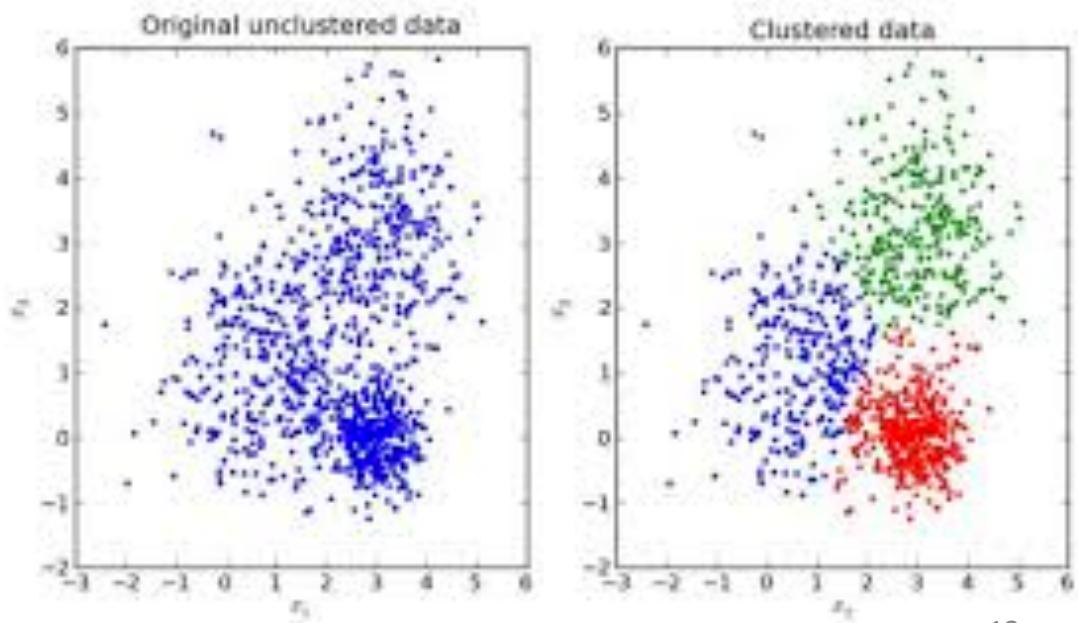


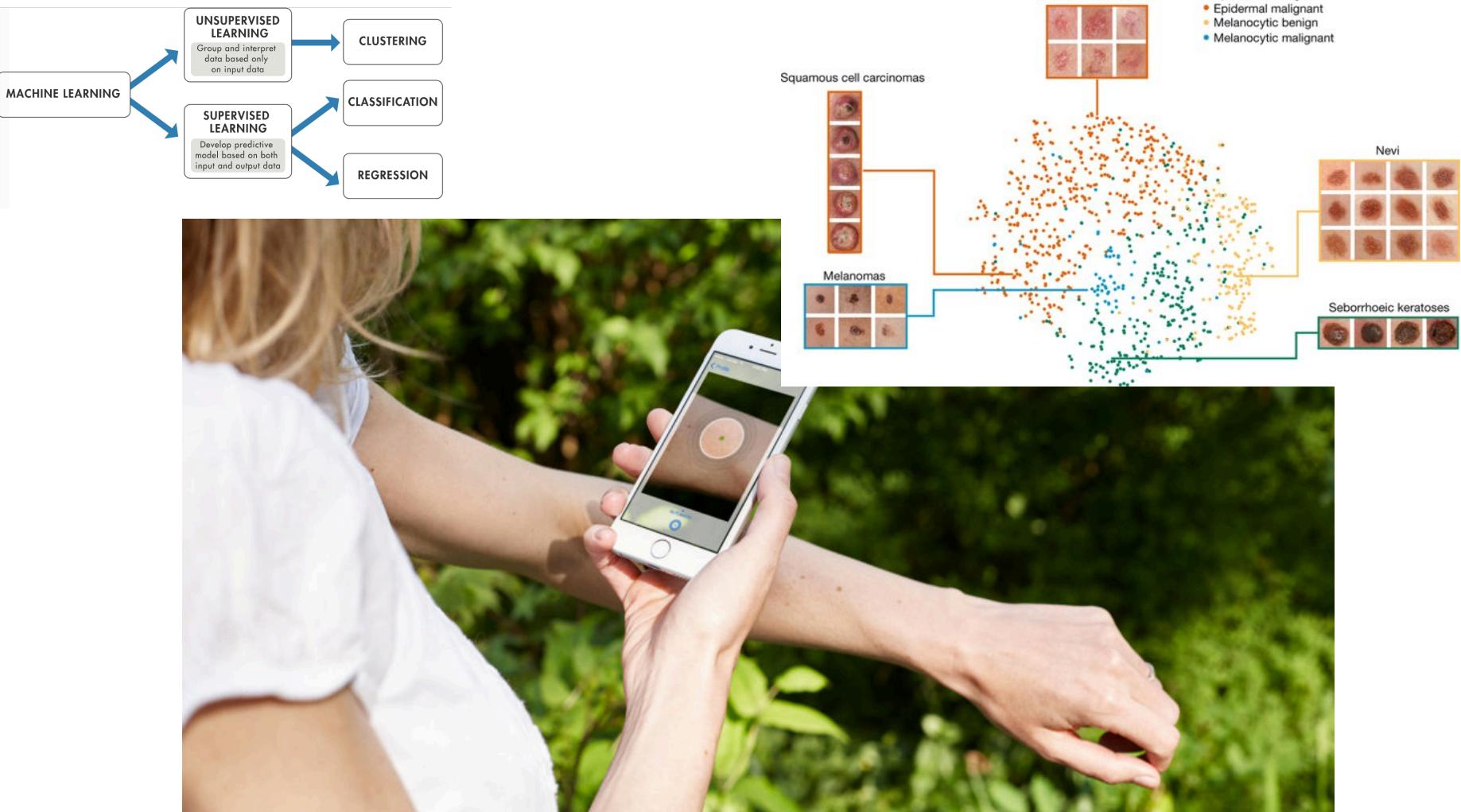
Unsupervised Learning

- No knowledge of outputs
- Data is unlabeled

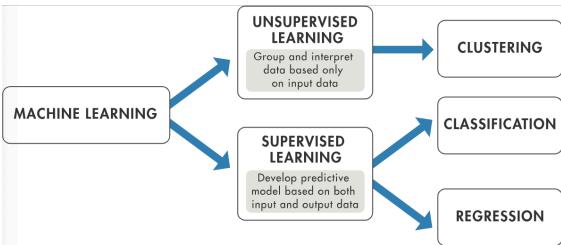


Clustering algorithm

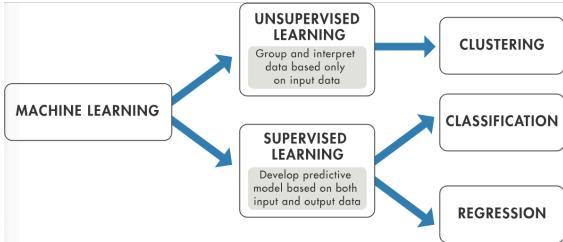




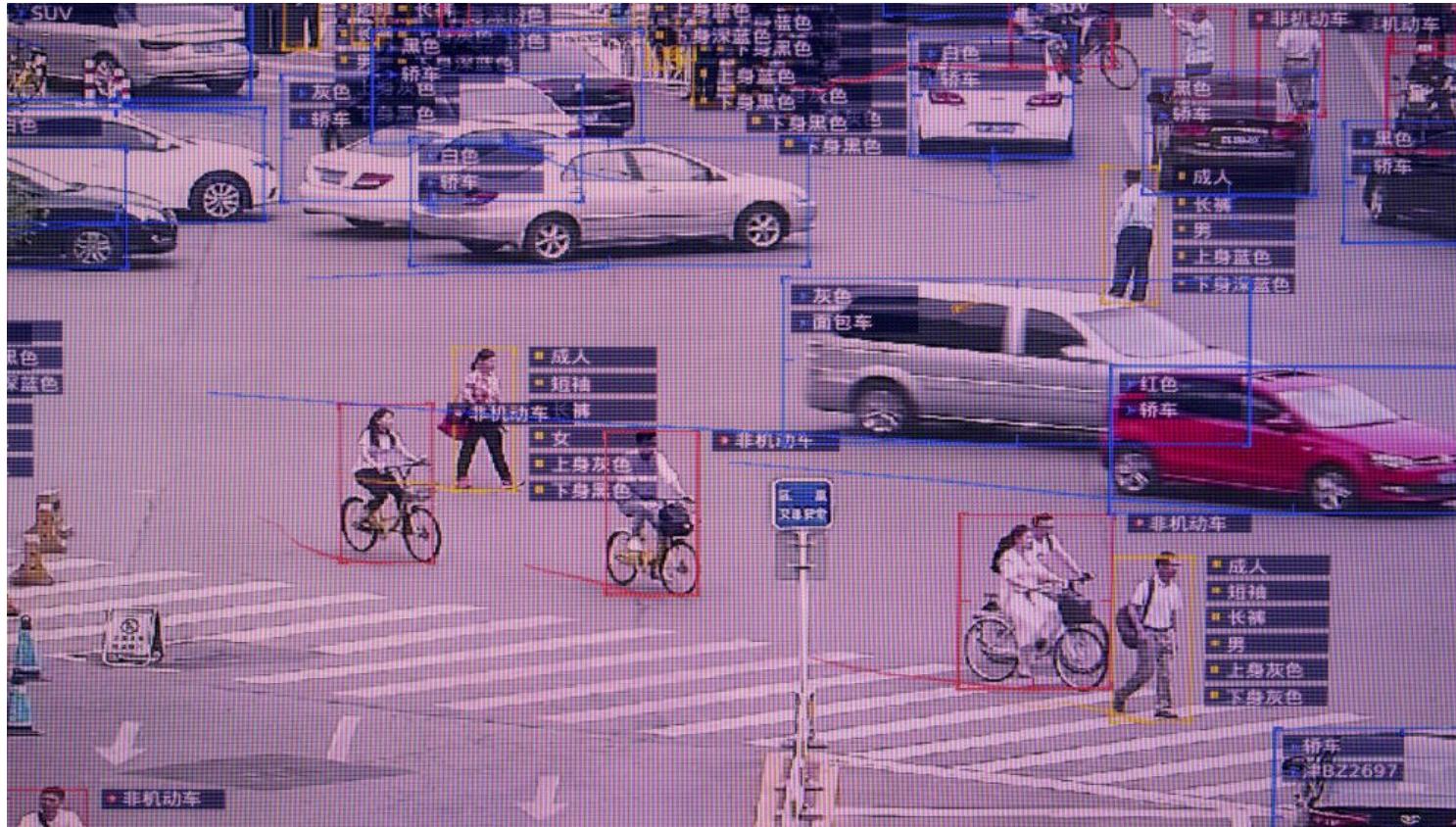
Machine learning makes drug discovery and patient diagnosis quicker, cheaper and more effective. E.g. Dermatologist-level detection of skin cancer with deep neural networks. [Nature](#)



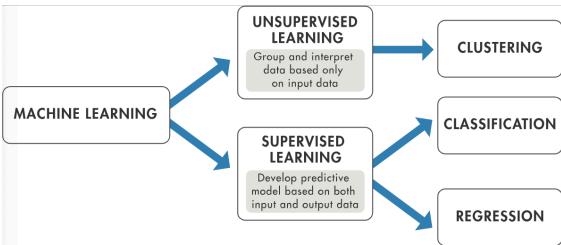
More than 80% of TV shows on Netflix are found through its recommendation engine based on machine learning to identify viewer's preferences.



Camera Surveillance



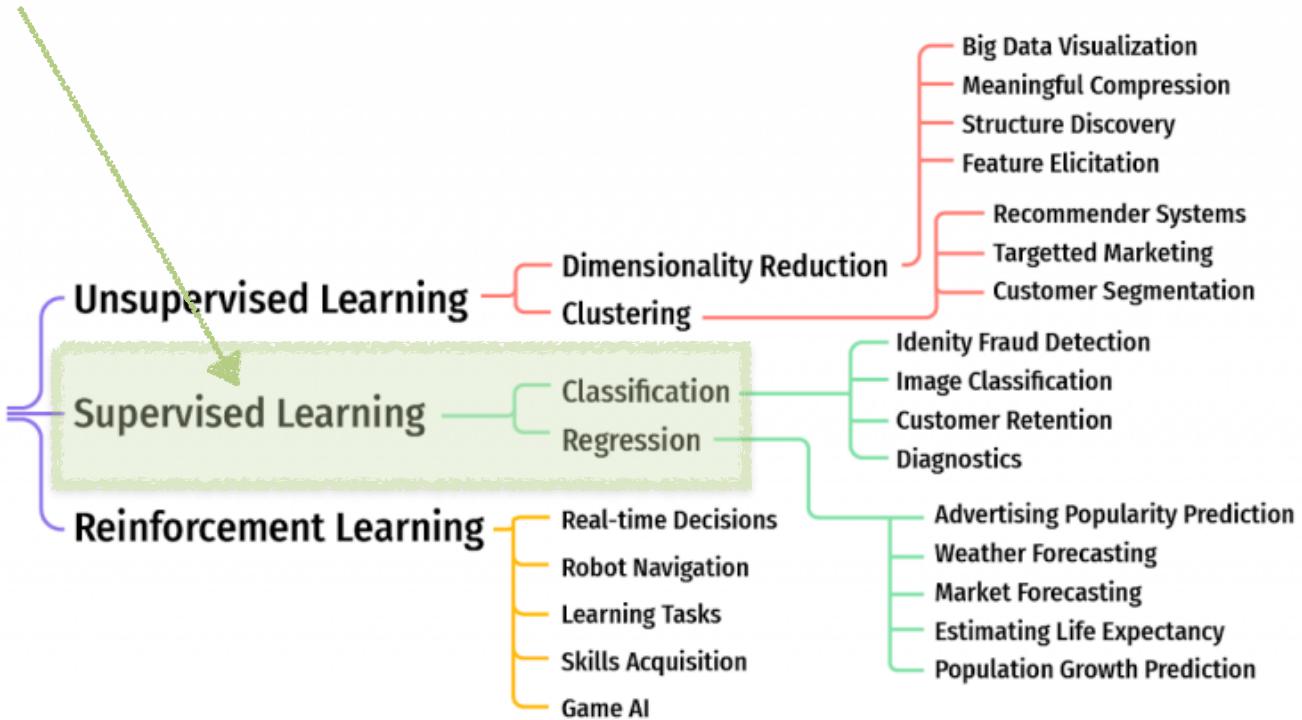
China's mass surveillance system, coupled with facial recognition technology to build a social credit system.

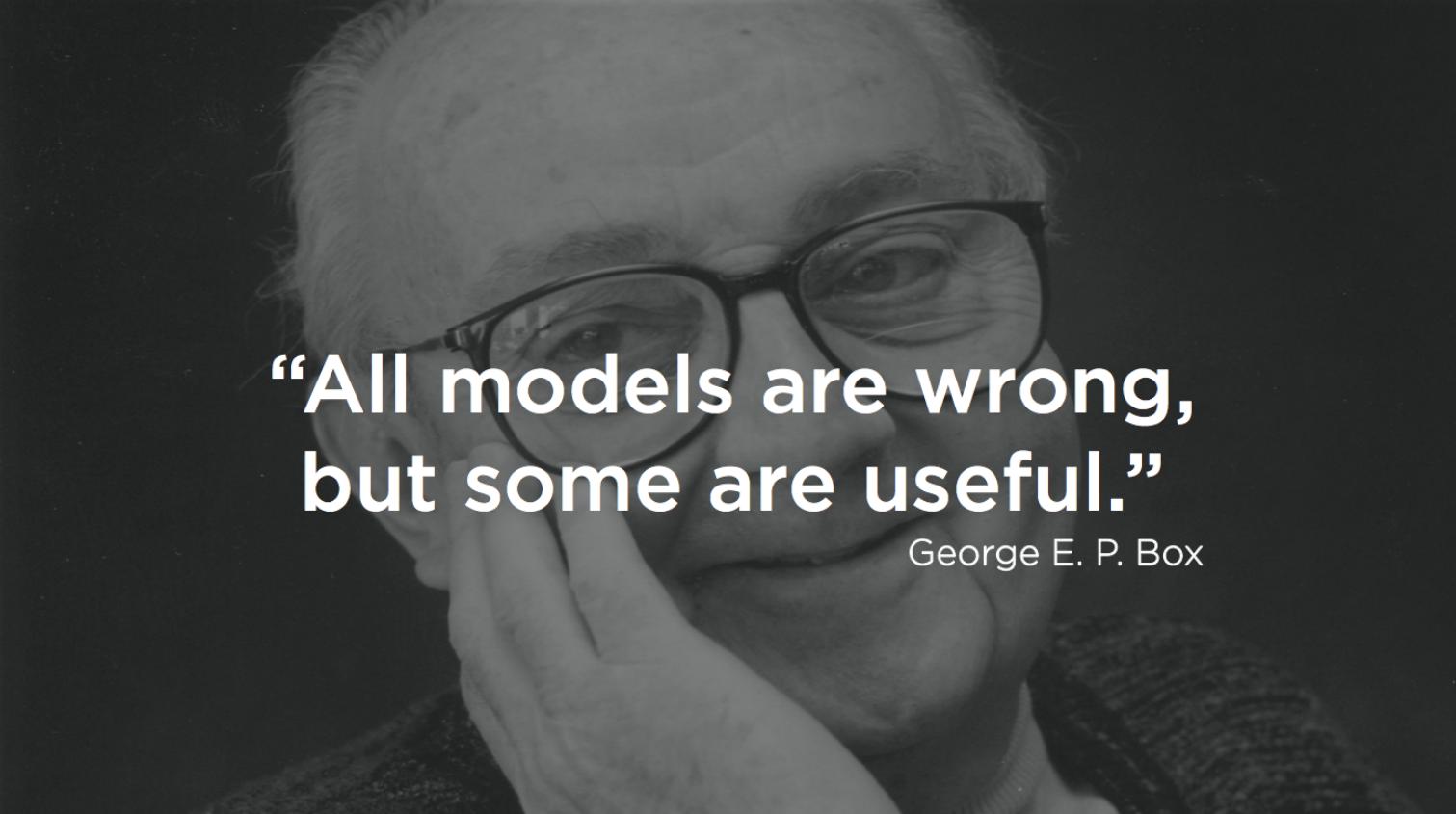


Predict house pricing based on previously house sale data.



Our course focus





**“All models are wrong,
but some are useful.”**

George E. P. Box

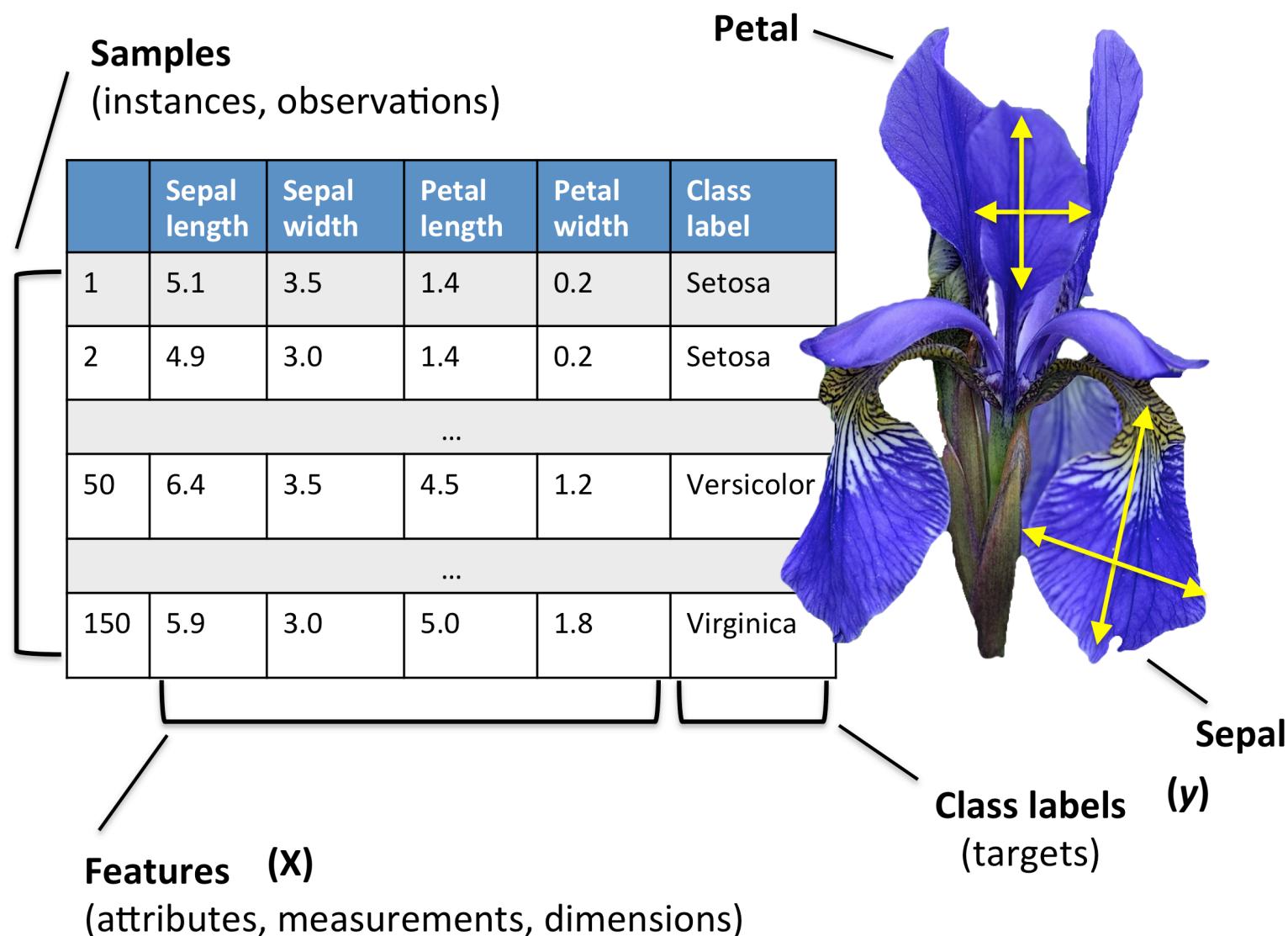
This week's discussion question:

“It’s not who has the best algorithm
that wins; It’s who has the most data.”

Fun ML Demo

- <https://experiments.withgoogle.com/drum-machine>
- <https://experiments.withgoogle.com/quick-draw>
- <https://teachablemachine.withgoogle.com>

Basic Terminology



Terminology & Notation



A diagram shows five yellow arrows pointing from the flower image down to the columns of a table. The columns are labeled A, B, C, D, and E. The first four columns correspond to the features: Sepal Length, Sepal Width, Petal Length, and Petal Width. The fifth column is labeled 'Class'.

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Sepal Length	Sepal Width	Petal Length	Petal Width	Class
2	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
3	4.9	3	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
4	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	Iris-setosa
5	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
6	5	3.6	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
7	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	Iris-setosa
8	4.6	3.4	1.4	0.3	Iris-setosa
9	5	3.4	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
10	4.4	2.9	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
11	4.9	3.1	1.5	0.1	Iris-setosa
12	5.4	3.7	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
13	4.8	3.4	1.6	0.2	Iris-setosa
14	4.8	3	1.4	0.1	Iris-setosa
15	4.3	3	1.1	0.1	Iris-setosa
16	5.8	4	1.2	0.2	Iris-setosa
17	5.7	4.4	1.5	0.4	Iris-setosa
18	5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	Iris-setosa
19	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.3	Iris-setosa
20	5.7	3.8	1.7	0.3	Iris-setosa
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23	5.1	3.7	1.5	0.4	Iris-setosa
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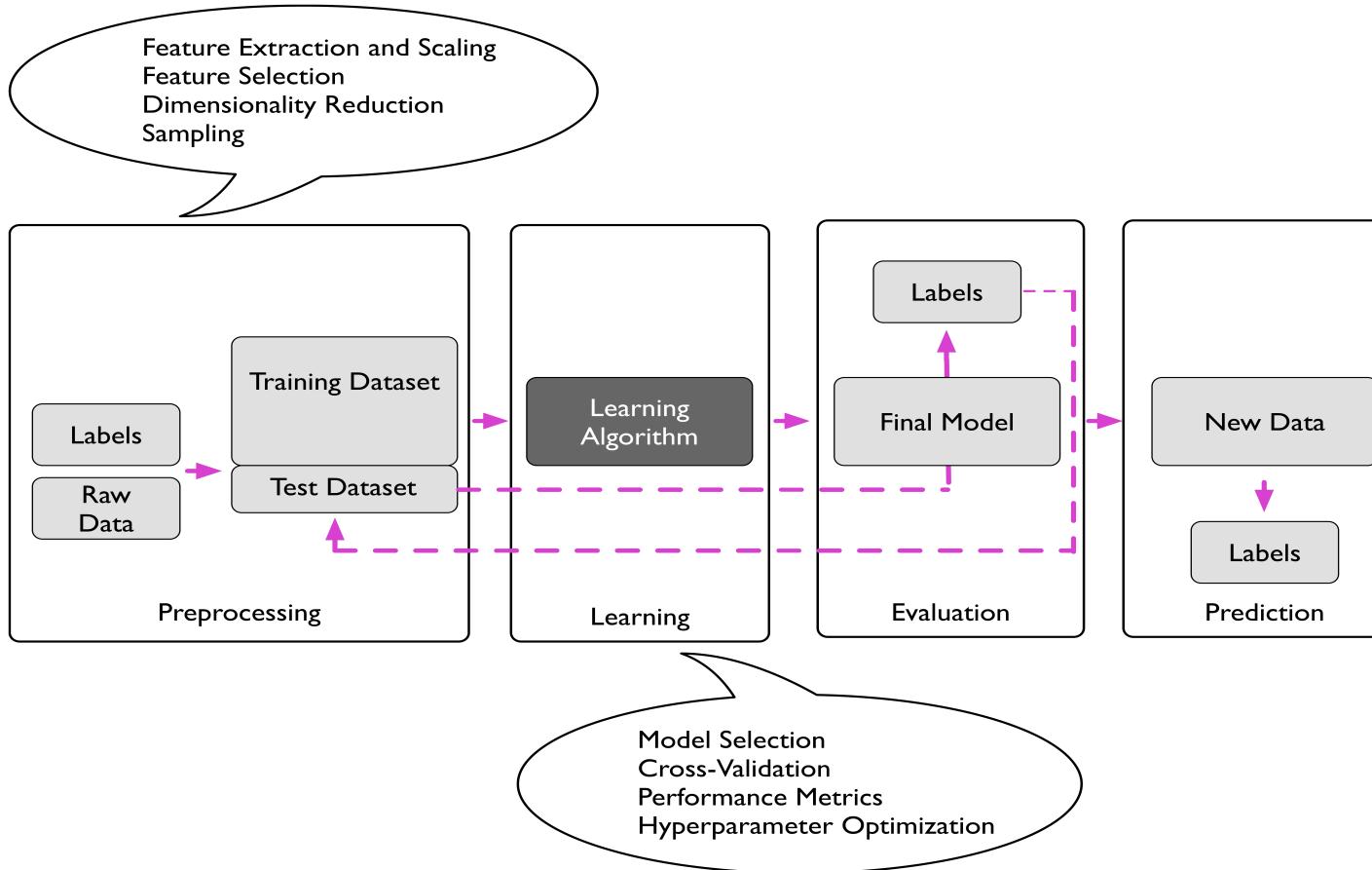
Feature Table	
Feature # 1	Sepal Length
Feature # 2	Sepal Width
Feature # 3	Petal Length
Feature # 4	Petal Width

INPUT: The features of the 150 samples can be written as a 150*4 matrix.

Target: [Setosa, Versicolor, Virginica]

TARGET: The targets/labels of the 150 samples can be written as a 150-dimensional column vector.

ML Roadmap



Exercise

- Identify the four ML steps in the first_ml_iris example.
 1. Pre-processing
 2. Learning
 3. Evaluation
 4. Prediction