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# INTRODUCTION TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND ITS APPLICATION TO MATERIALS SCIENCE

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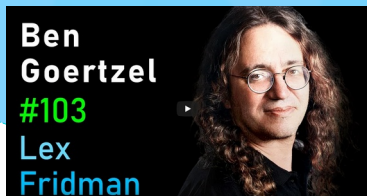
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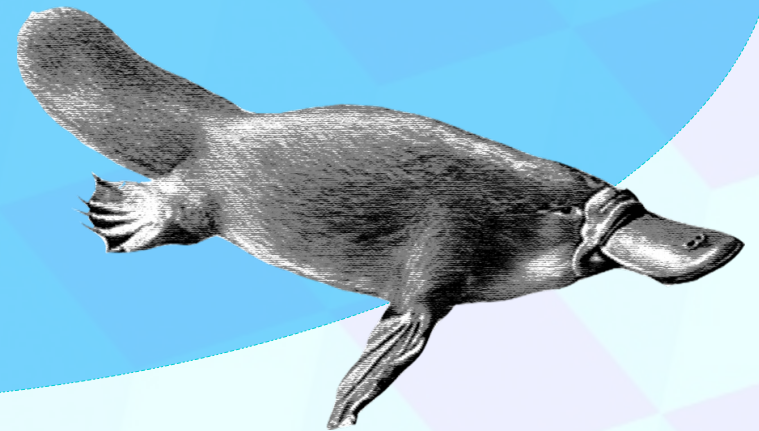
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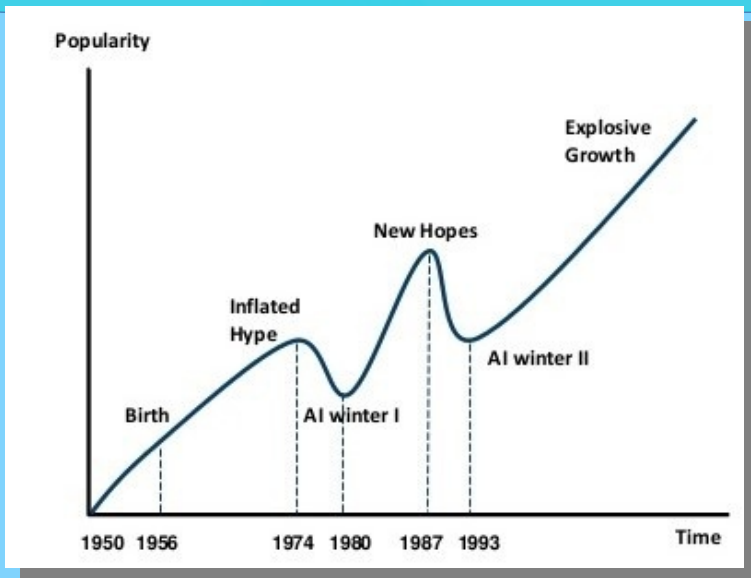
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Perceiving

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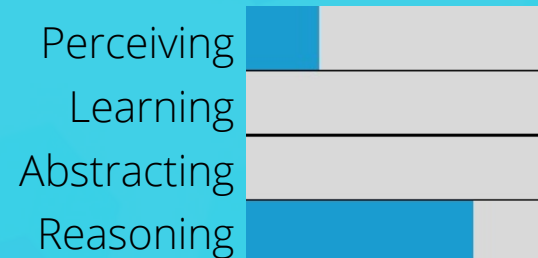
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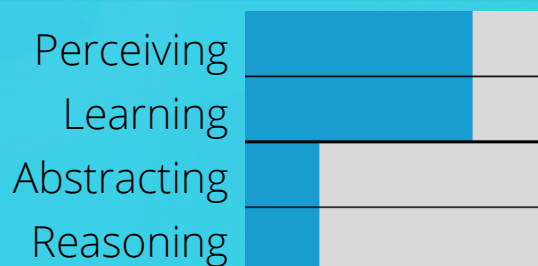
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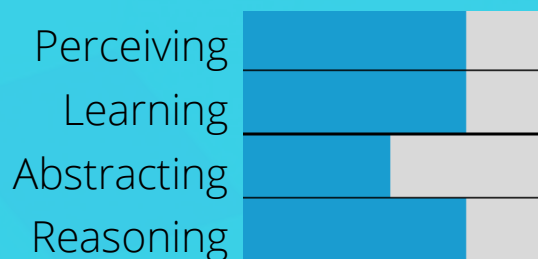
**Statistical learning**



**(The future)**

**Contextual adaptation**

E.g., Neural-symbolic learning and reasoning



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### Exploratory analysis (Descriptive induction)

gives insight and may lead to hypotheses

“Finding the question is often more important than finding the answer”  
(John Tukey)

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### Exploratory analysis (Descriptive induction)

gives insight and may lead to hypotheses

- clustering
- dimension reduction
- *subgroup discovery*

### Confirmatory analysis (Predictive induction)

tools that one can use to test ideas

- regression
- classification

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## **Artificial intelligence**

### **Machine learning**

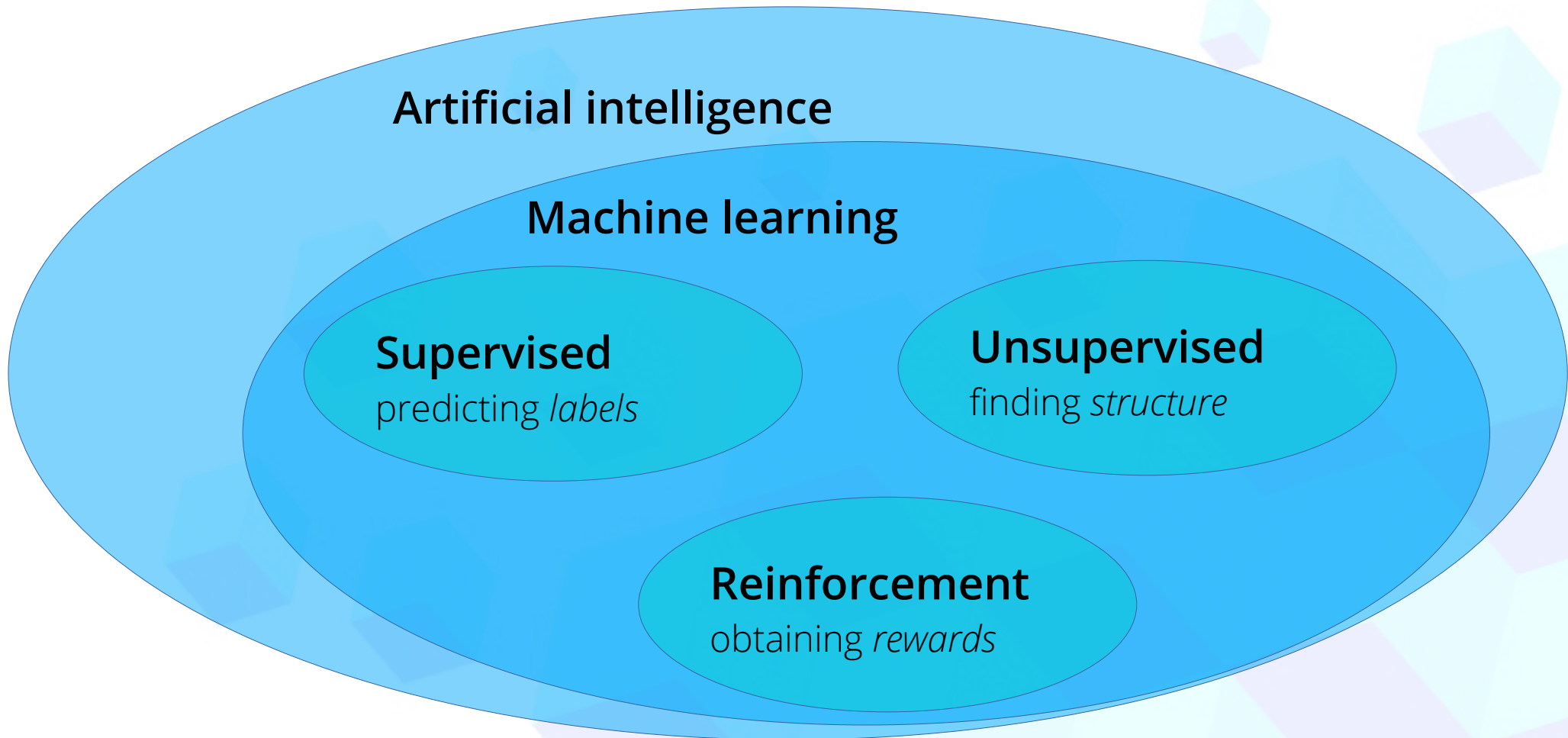
Statistical learning algorithms.

Learning = improving with more data.

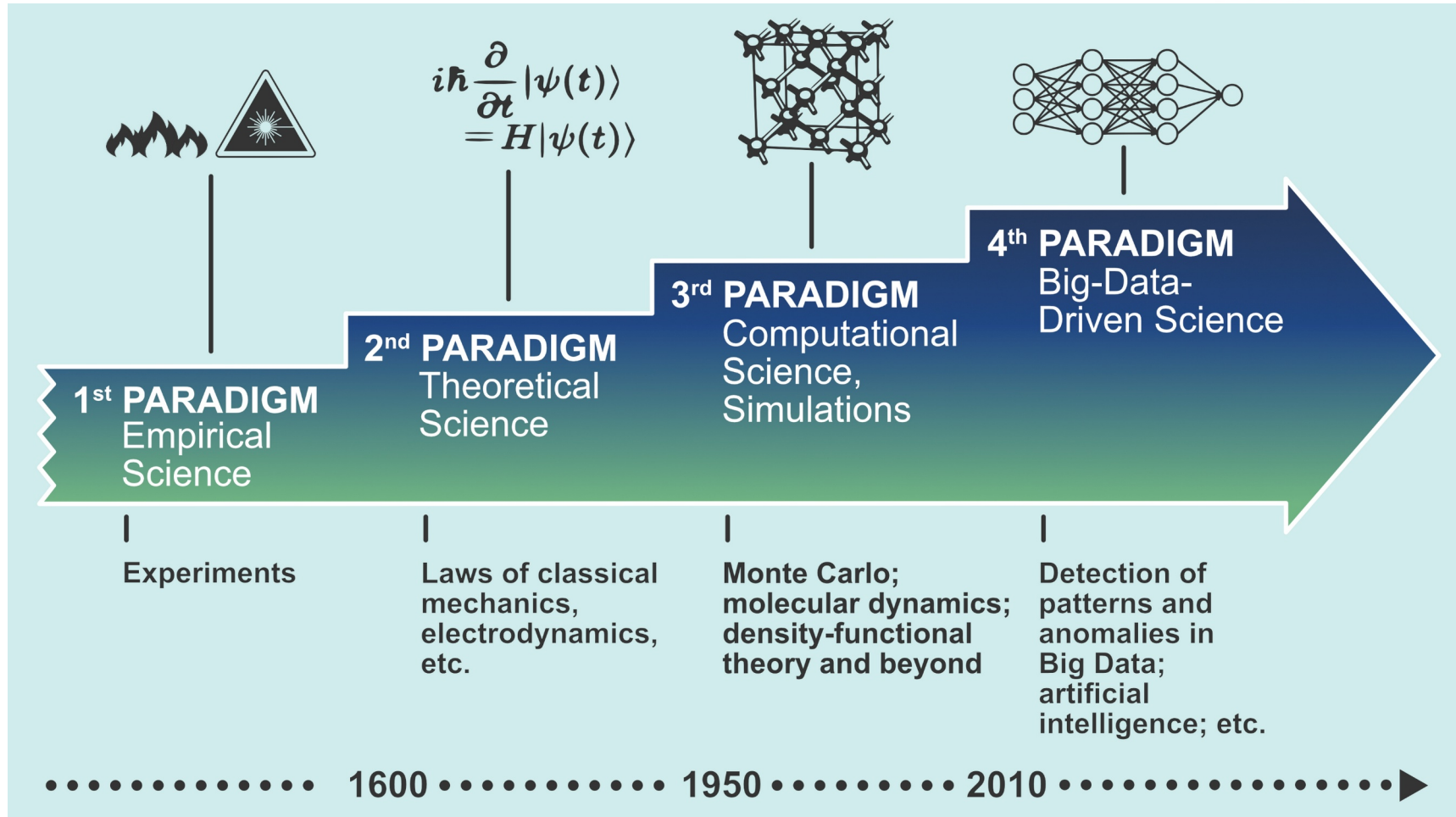
Regularized regression



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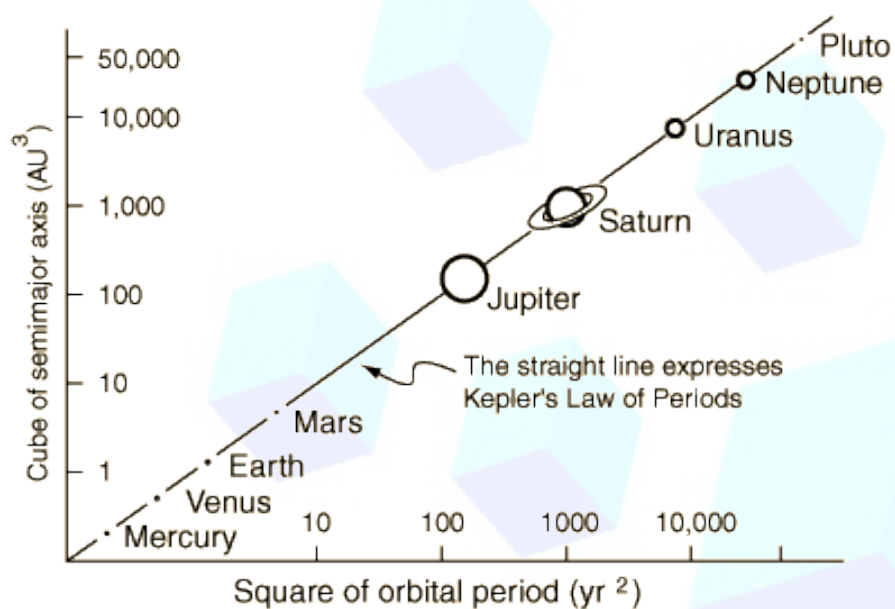


# About terminology: (big-)data-driven science



# Science is always data driven

Suppose to know the trajectories of all planets in the solar system,  
- from accurate observations (experiment), or  
- by numerically integrating general-relativity equations  
(i.e., the highest level of theory)



$$(\text{Orbital period})^2 = C (\text{orbit's major axis})^3$$

Data  
(collected by  
Tycho Brahe)

Statistical learning  
(performed by  
Johannes Kepler)

Physical law  
(assessed by  
Isaac Newton)

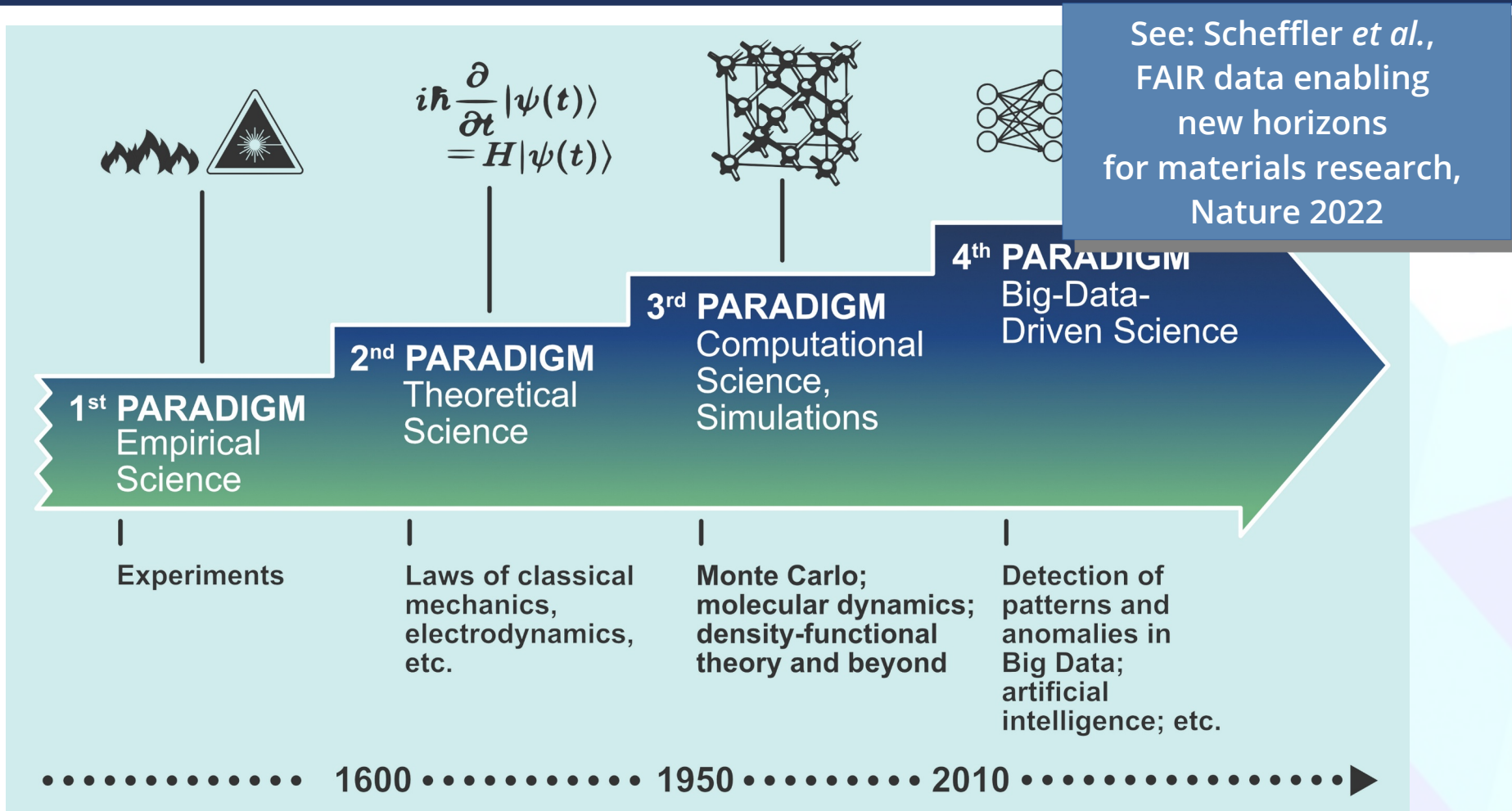
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Mendeleev's 1871 periodic table

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4	K=39	Ca=40	—=44	Ti=48	V=51	Cr=52	Mn=55	Fe=56, Co=59, Ni=59, Cu=63.
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6	Rb=85	Sr=87	?Yt=88	Zr=90	Nb=94	Mo=96	—=100	Ru=104, Rh=104, Pd=106, Ag=108.
7	(Ag=108)	Cd=112			Pb=122	Te=125	J=127	
8	Cs=133	Ba=137	?Di=138	?Ce=140	—	—	—	— — — —
9	(—)	—	—	—	—	—	—	— — — —
10	—	—	?Er=178	?La=180	Ta=182	W=184	—	Os=195, Ir=197, Pt=198, Au=199.
11	(Au=199)	Hg=200	Tl=204	Pb=207	Bi=208	—	—	— — — —
12	—	—	—	Th=231	—	U=240	—	— — — —

Ga=69.7 Ge=72.6

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# Data vs algorithm driven breakthroughs

Year	Breakthroughs in AI	Datasets (First Available)	Algorithms (First Proposed)
1994	Human-level read-speech recognition	Spoken Wall Street Journal articles and other texts (1991)	Hidden Markov Model (1984)
1997	IBM Deep Blue defeated Garry Kasparov	700,000 Grandmaster chess games, aka "The Extended Book" (1991)	Negascout planning algorithm (1983)
2005	Google's Arabic- and Chinese-to-English translation	1.8 trillion tokens from Google Web and News pages (collected in 2005)	Statistical machine translation algorithm (1988)
2011	IBM Watson became the world Jeopardy! champion	8.6 million documents from Wikipedia, Wiktionary, Wikiquote, and Project Gutenberg (updated in 2010)	Mixture-of-Experts algorithm (1991)
2014	Google's GoogleNet object classification at near-human performance	ImageNet corpus of 1.5 million labeled images and 1,000 object categories (2010)	Convolutional neural network algorithm (1989)
2015	Google's Deepmind achieved human parity in playing 29 Atari games by learning general control from video	Arcade Learning Environment dataset of over 50 Atari games (2013)	Q-learning algorithm (1992)
<b>Average No. of Years to Breakthrough</b>		<b>3 years</b>	<b>18 years</b>

Source: V. Gadepally Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, <https://youtu.be/t4K6lney7Zw>

# Statistical learning in practice

## Logical flow-chart

(Annotated) Data !

Features / descriptors / representations

Training algorithm: parameters vs hyperparameters.

Training metrics

Model selection

Cross-validation metrics

Test

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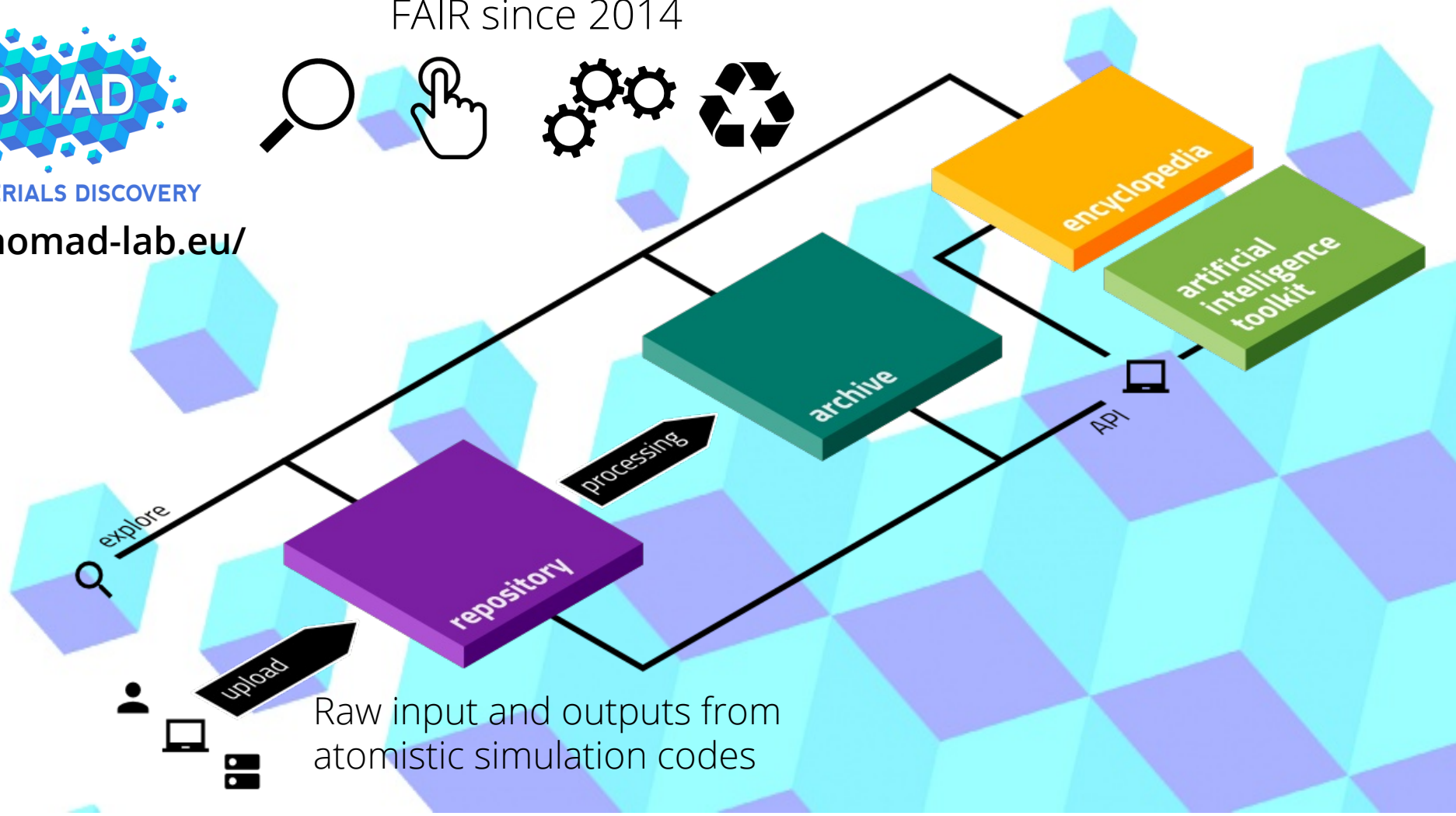
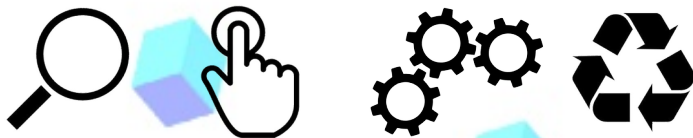
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atomistic simulation codes

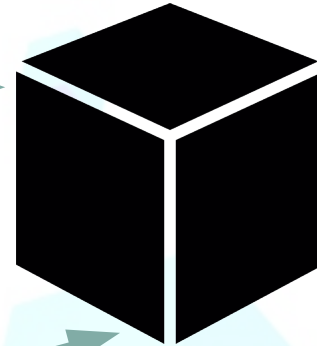


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## Input structure

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 $Z_i \ x_i \ y_i \ z_i$
- Cell vectors
- (Topology)

Atomistic-simulation code



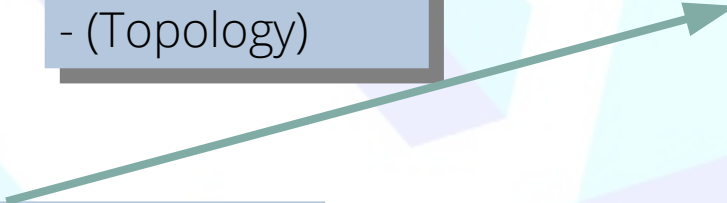
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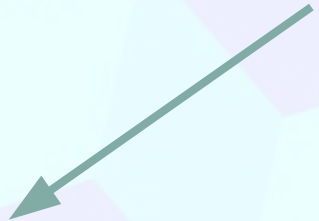
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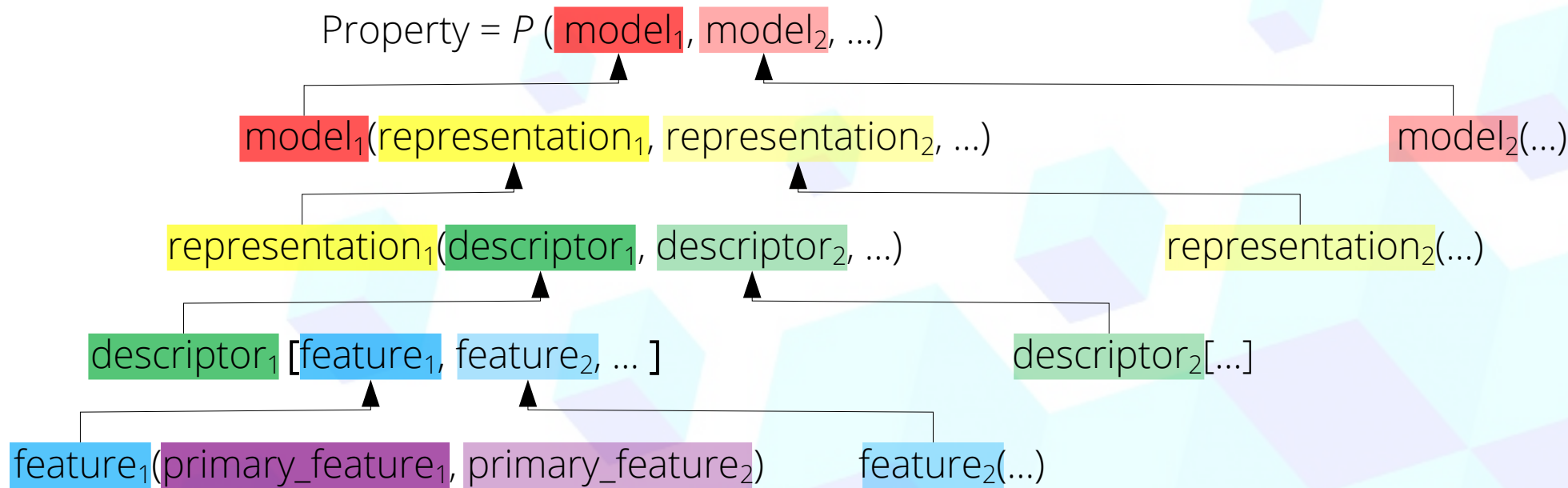
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Interval	has values of equal intervals that mean something (arbitrary zero)	[Regression]
Ratio	same as interval except that the zero means: does not exist	[Regression]
Cardinal	used for counting ("how many?")	[Class./Regr.]

# Statistical learning: features, descriptors, and more



- Descriptors aka fingerprints
- Primary features in materials science:  
Coordinates and physical-chemical properties of chemical elements  
material / data point  $i \rightarrow \{R_i, Z_i\}$

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**Artificial intelligence**

**Machine learning**

**Representation learning**

Learning algorithms that learn their representation and the predictive model.

- symbolic regression
- deep learning

# The prima donna: the descriptor

- (i) **Invariance**: descriptors should be invariant under symmetry operations: permutation of atoms and translation and rotation of structure.
- (ii) **Sensitivity** (local stability): small changes in the atomic positions should result in *proportional* changes in the descriptor, and vice versa.
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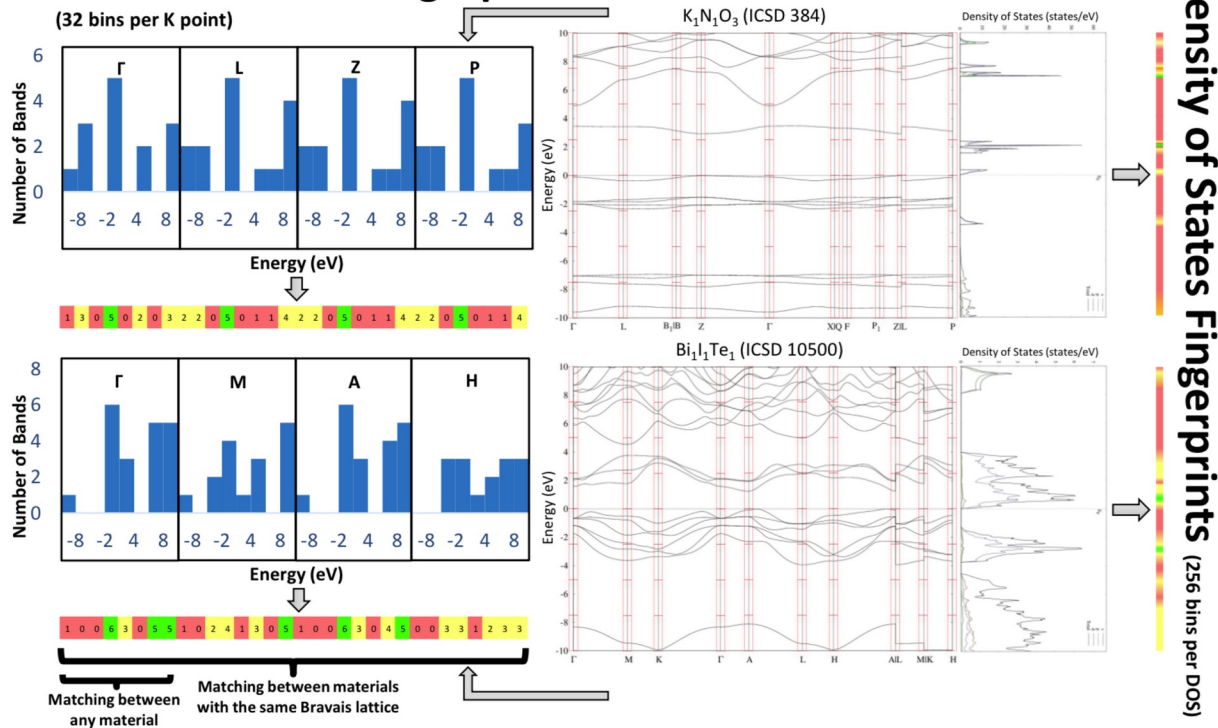
Linear 4-blocks periodic polymers.

7 blocks:  $\text{CH}_2$ ,  $\text{SiF}_2$ ,  $\text{SiCl}_2$ ,  $\text{GeF}_2$ ,  $\text{GeCl}_2$ ,  $\text{SnF}_2$ ,  $\text{SnCl}_2$

Descriptor: 20 dimensions [# building blocks of type  $i$ , of  $ii$  pairs, of  $iii$  triplets]

Pilania, Wang, ..., and Ramprasad, Scientific Reports 3, 2810 (2013). DOI: 10.1038/srep02810

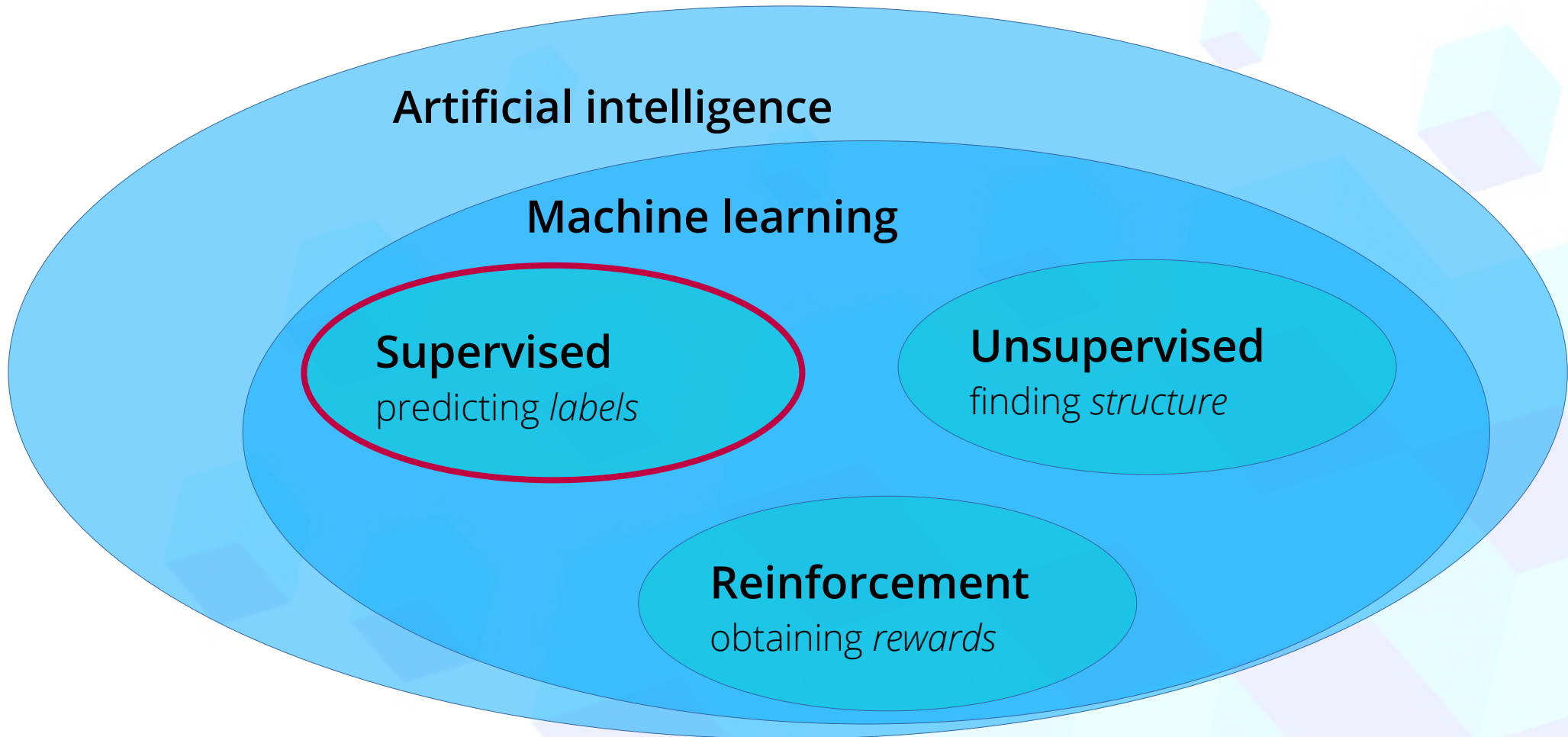
## Band Structure Fingerprints



Isayev, ..., and Curtarolo,  
Chemistry of Materials 27, 735 (2015)  
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E.g., (multi)linear model:

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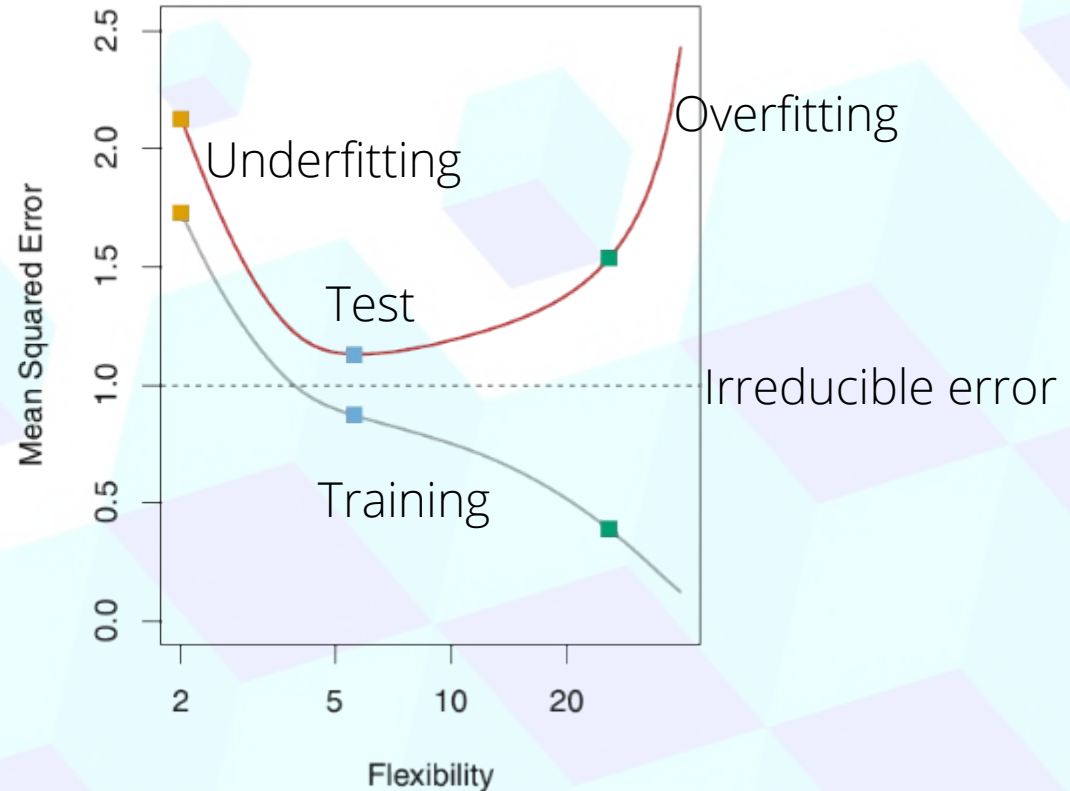
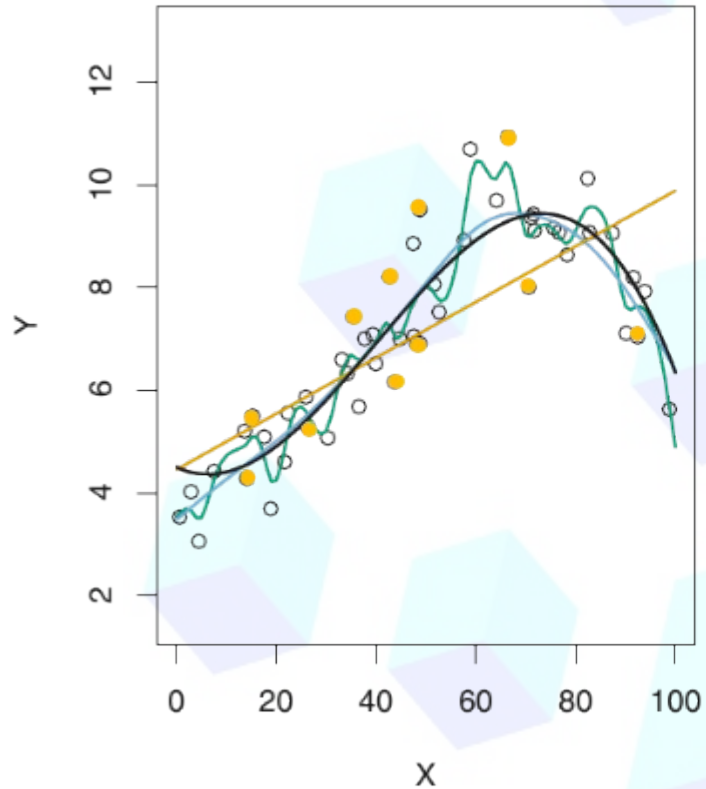
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## Inference (interpretation)

- Which features are associated with the target?
- What is the relationship between the target and each feature?
- Can the relationship between the target  $Y$  and each feature be adequately summarized using a linear equation, or is the relationship more complicated?

# Supervised statistical learning: quality of the fit

The quality of the fit is measured on test data (not used for training)

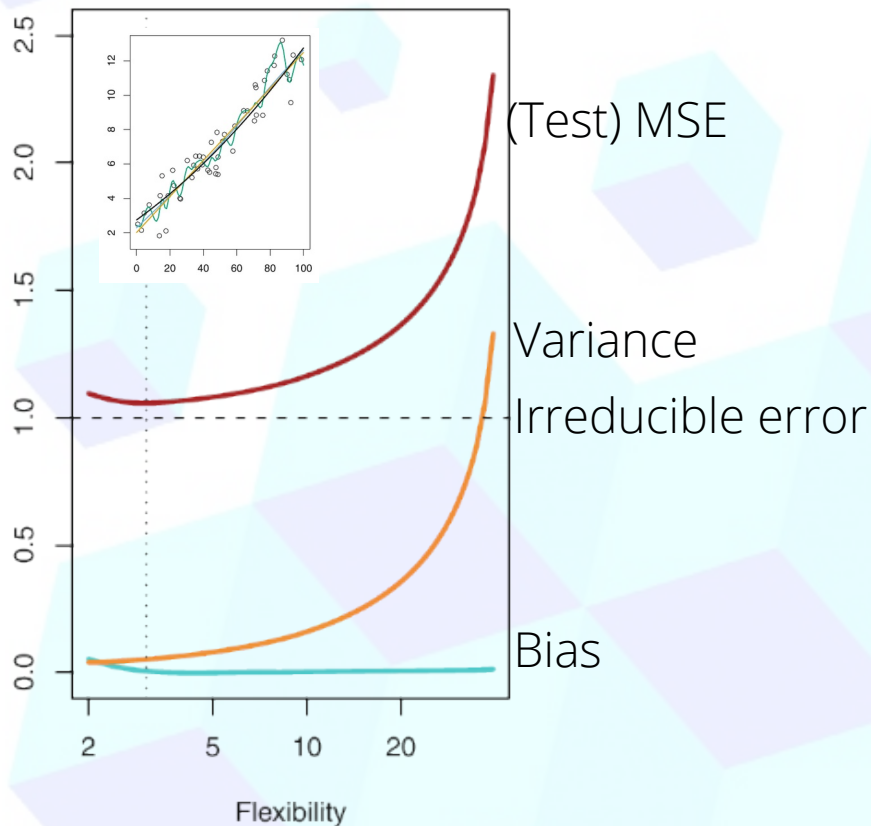
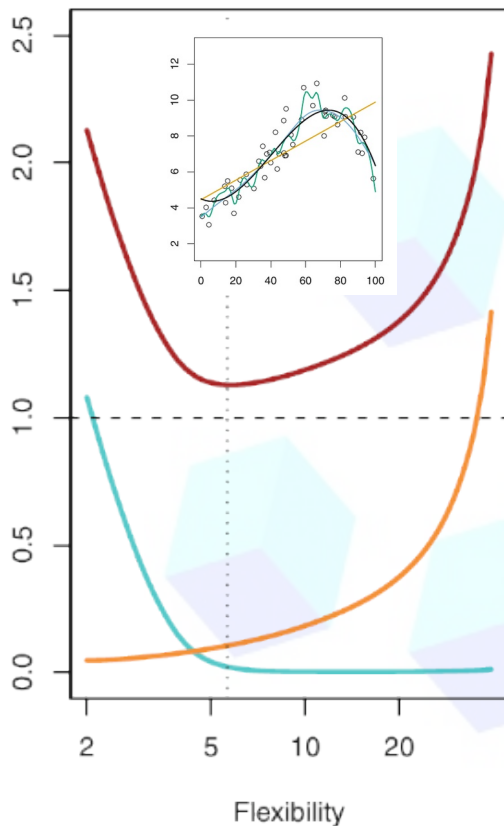


# Supervised statistical learning: Bias/variance trade-off

$$E \left( y_0 - \hat{f}(x_0) \right)^2 = \text{Var}(\hat{f}(x_0)) + [\text{Bias}(\hat{f}(x_0))]^2 + \text{Var}(\epsilon).$$

Depends on training sets

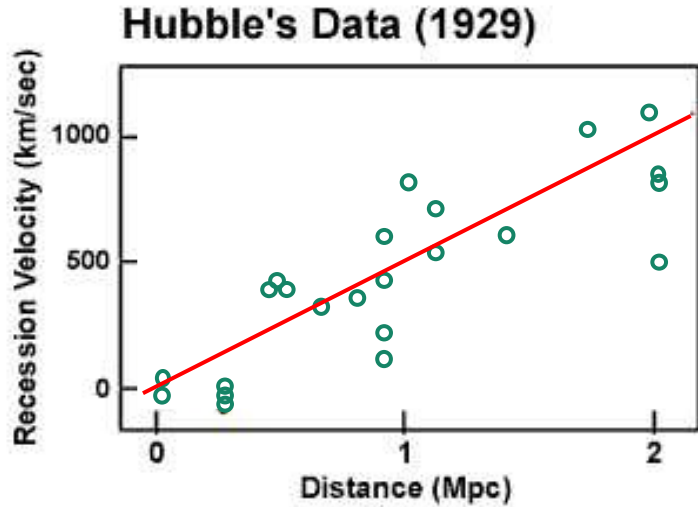
Inherent to model



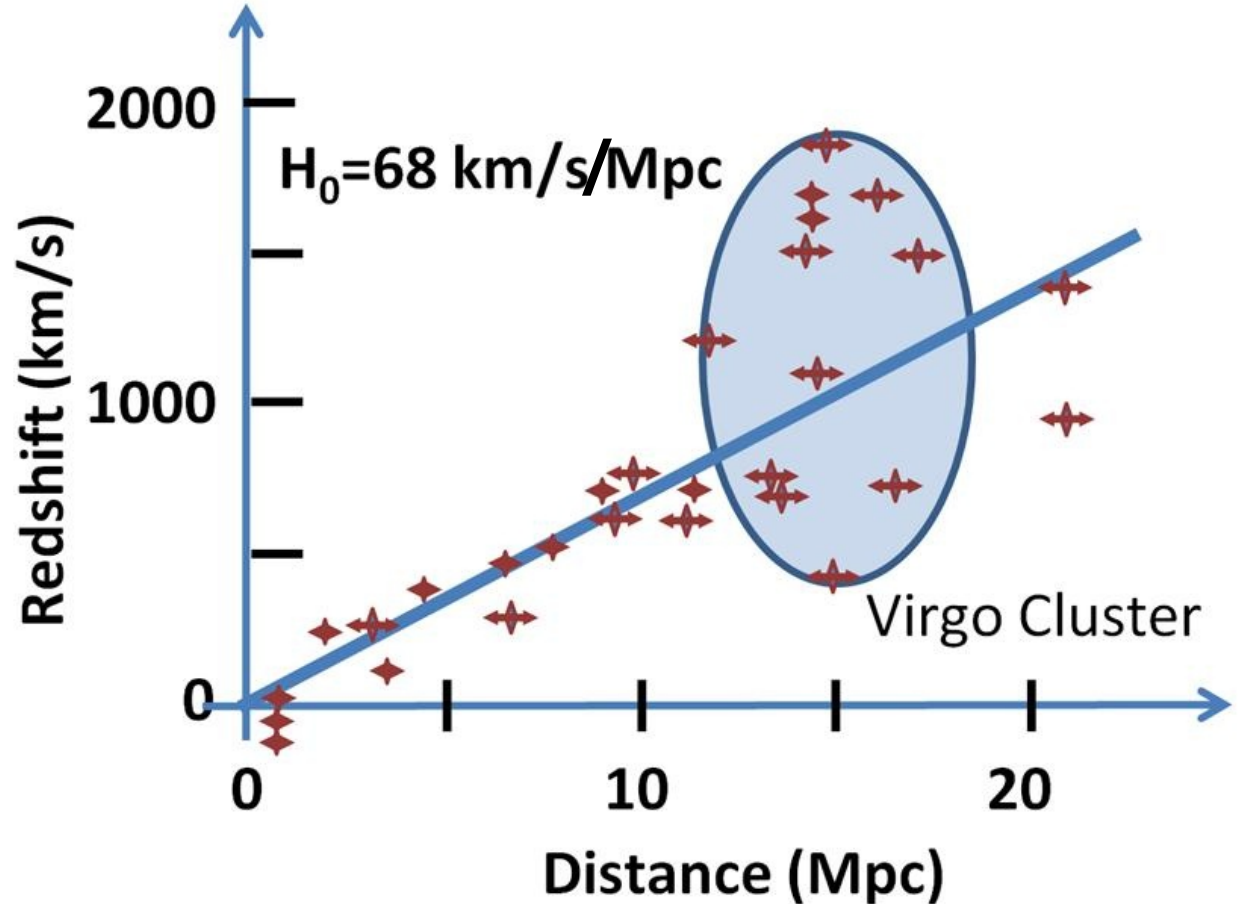
# Do not snub linear fits!

Hypothesis: the recession velocity of galaxies depends linearly on their distance.

$$V = H_0 \cdot d$$

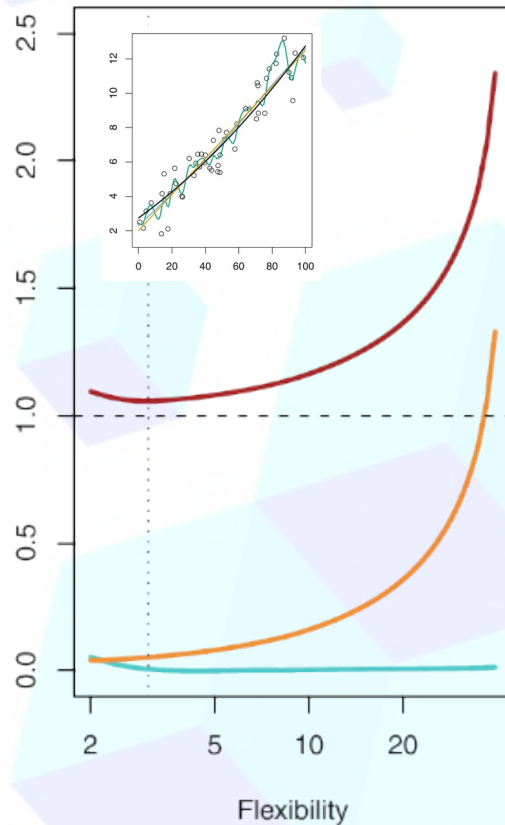
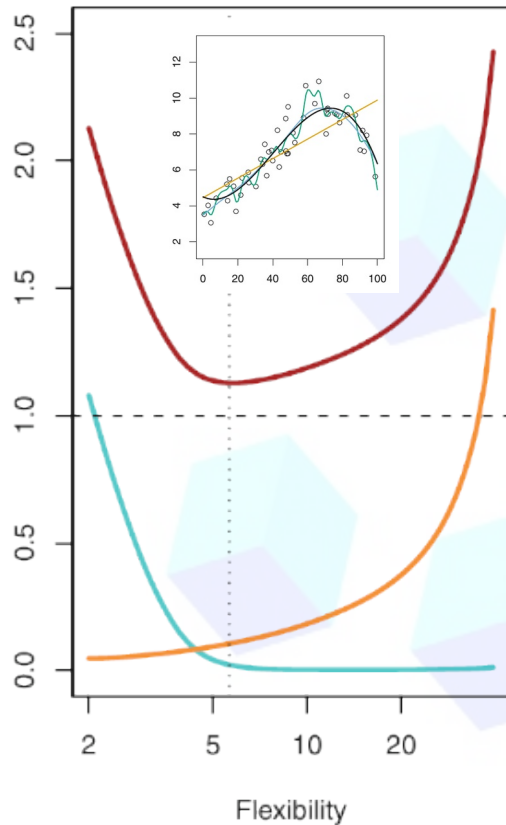


$H_0 \sim 500 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$



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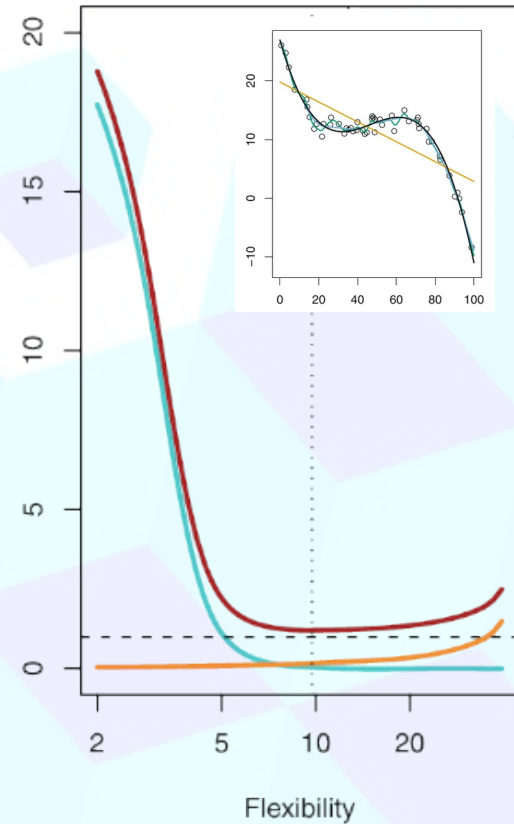
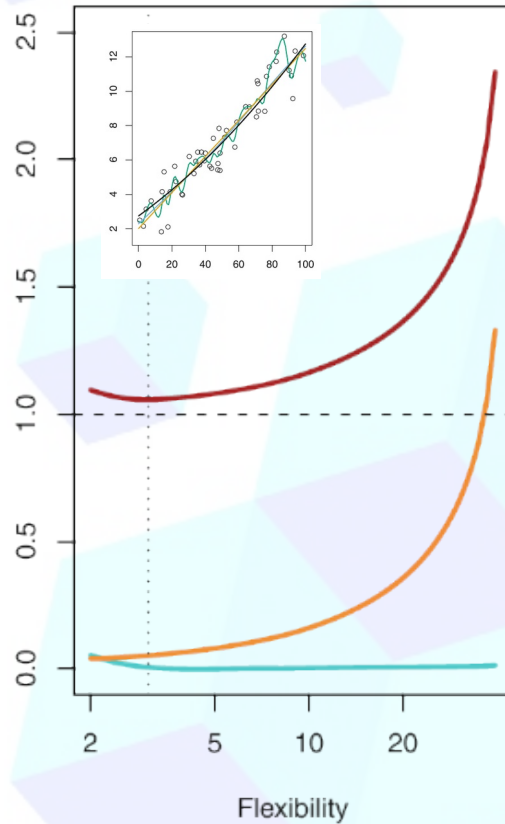
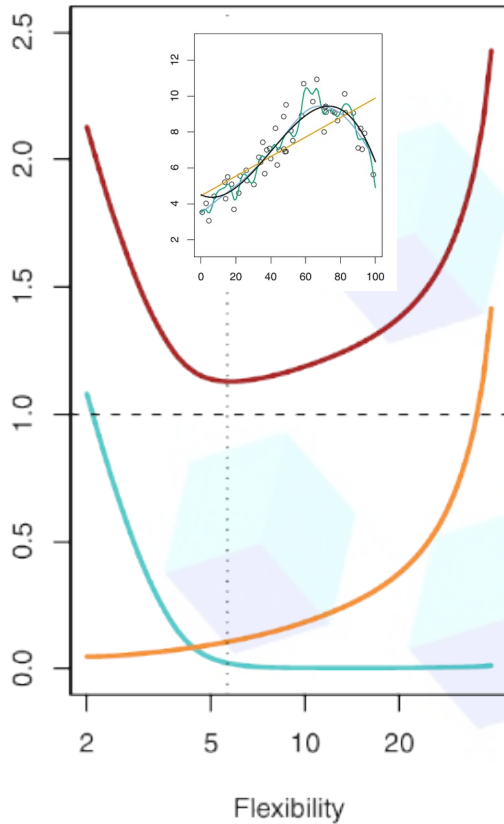
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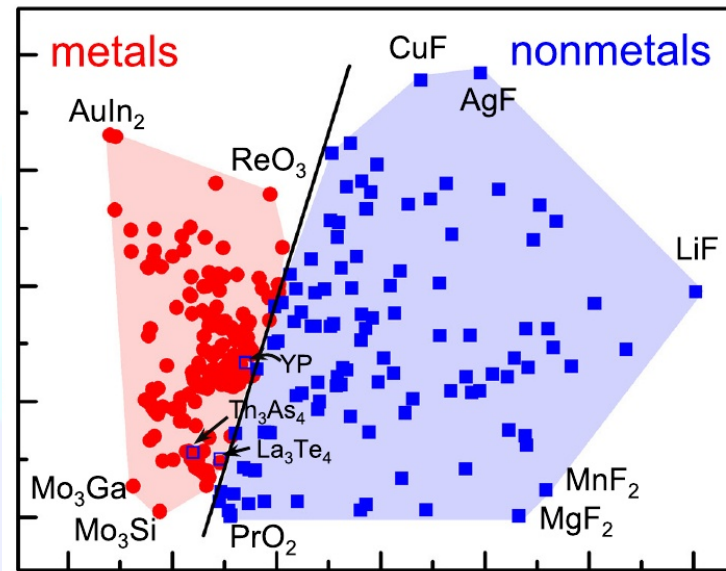
Regression: (Root) Mean Squared Error

Classification:

Misclassification error

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N I(y_i \neq \hat{y}_i)$$

1 if argument is true



# The essence of learning: Regularization

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^M} \sum_{j=1}^N \left( P_j - \sum_{l=1}^M d_{j,l} c_l \right)^2 = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^M} \| \mathbf{P} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{c} \|_2^2$$

$\swarrow$   $l_2$  norm

$$p\text{-norms: } \| \mathbf{x} \|_p = \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

Regularization

Prefer “lower complexity” in the solution

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^M} \| \mathbf{P} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{c} \|_2^2 + \lambda \| \mathbf{c} \|_2^2$$

# Supervised statistical learning: model selection

## Hyperparameters

Let's assume a model class expressed as a sum over Gaussian (basis) functions:

$$P(\mathbf{d}) = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i \exp(-\|\mathbf{d}_i - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2 / 2\sigma^2)$$

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^M} \sum_{i=1}^N (P(\mathbf{d}_i) - P_i)^2 + \lambda \sum_{i,j=1}^{N,N} c_i c_j \exp(-\|\mathbf{d}_i - \mathbf{d}_j\|_2^2 / 2\sigma^2)$$

## Cross validation

assessing the values of hyperparameters: model selection.

- Fix values of hyperparameters
- Split data into training and validation. Train and assess performance on test data
- Repeat over several training vs validation splits. Average performance over splits.
- Optimize hyperparameters (grid search, stochastic sampling)  
→ select model with optimal values of the hyperparameters

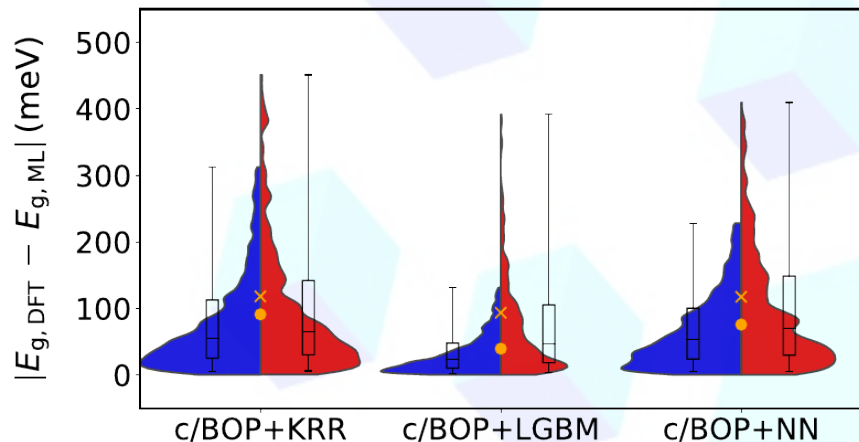
# Regression: analysing results

The error metric for the analysis does not need to be the (root) mean squared error, (R)MSE.

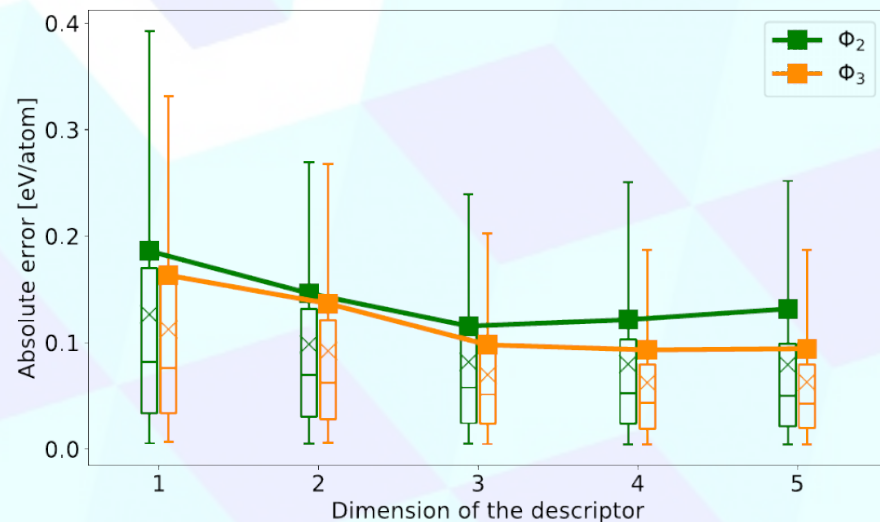
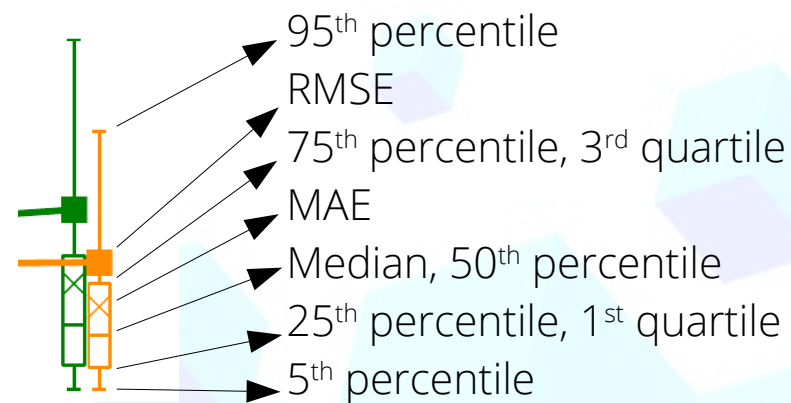
Other interesting metrics: Mean absolute error (MAE), median (50<sup>th</sup> percentile), other percentiles.

Recommendation: use more statistic than just the center (average or median)

## Box and violin plots



Sutton *et al.*, npj Comput Materials (2019)  
10.1038/s41524-019-0239-3.



Ouyang, Ahmetcik *et al.*, J Phys Materials (2019)  
DOI: 10.1088/2515-7639/ab077b.

# Classification: analysing results

		Predicted class	
		Positive	Negative
Actual class	Positive	True Positives (TP)	False Negatives (FN) Type I errors
	Negative	False Positives (FP) Type II errors	True Negatives (TN)

E.g.

Positive: is a metal

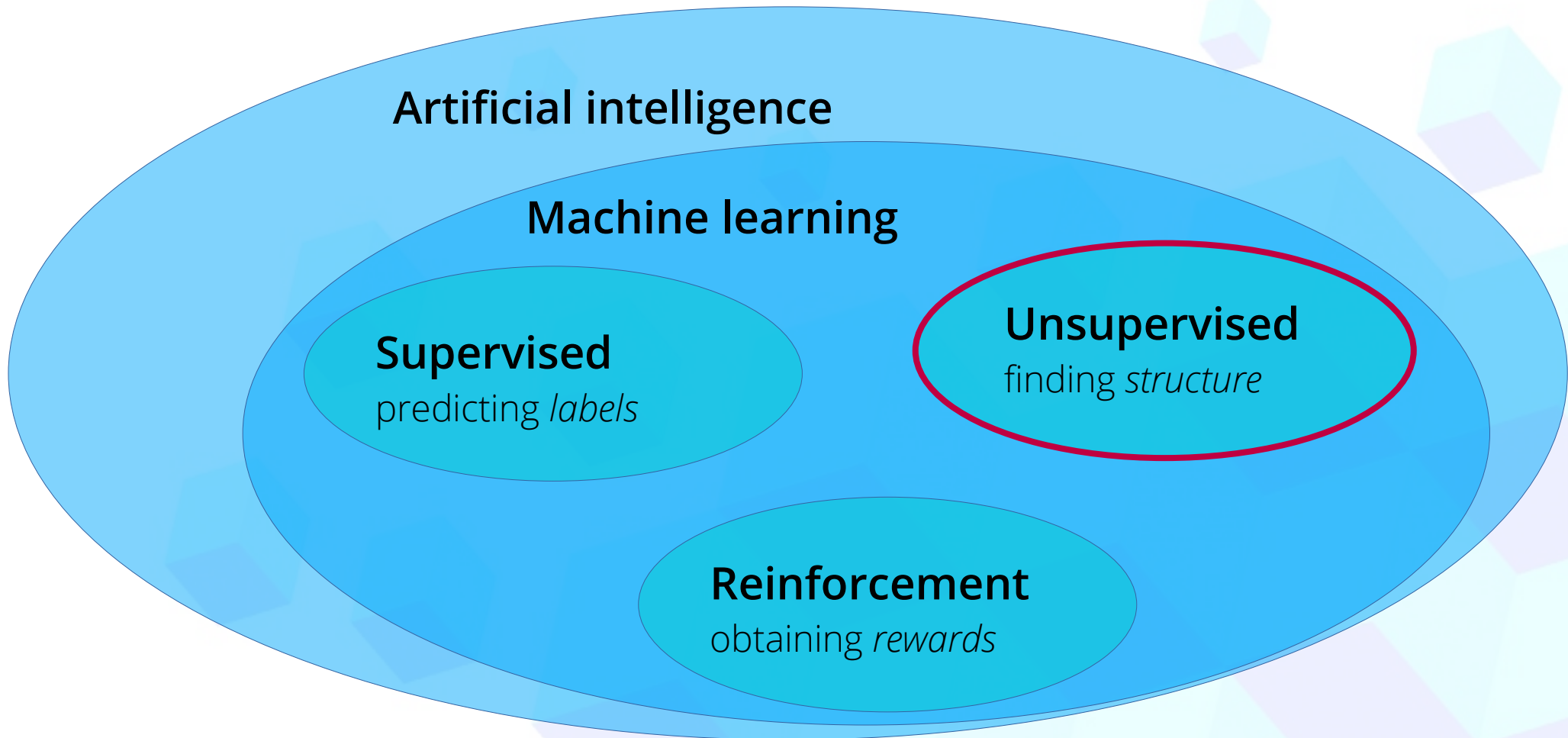
Accuracy =  $(TP + TN) / \text{All}$

Precision =  $TP / (TP+FP)$

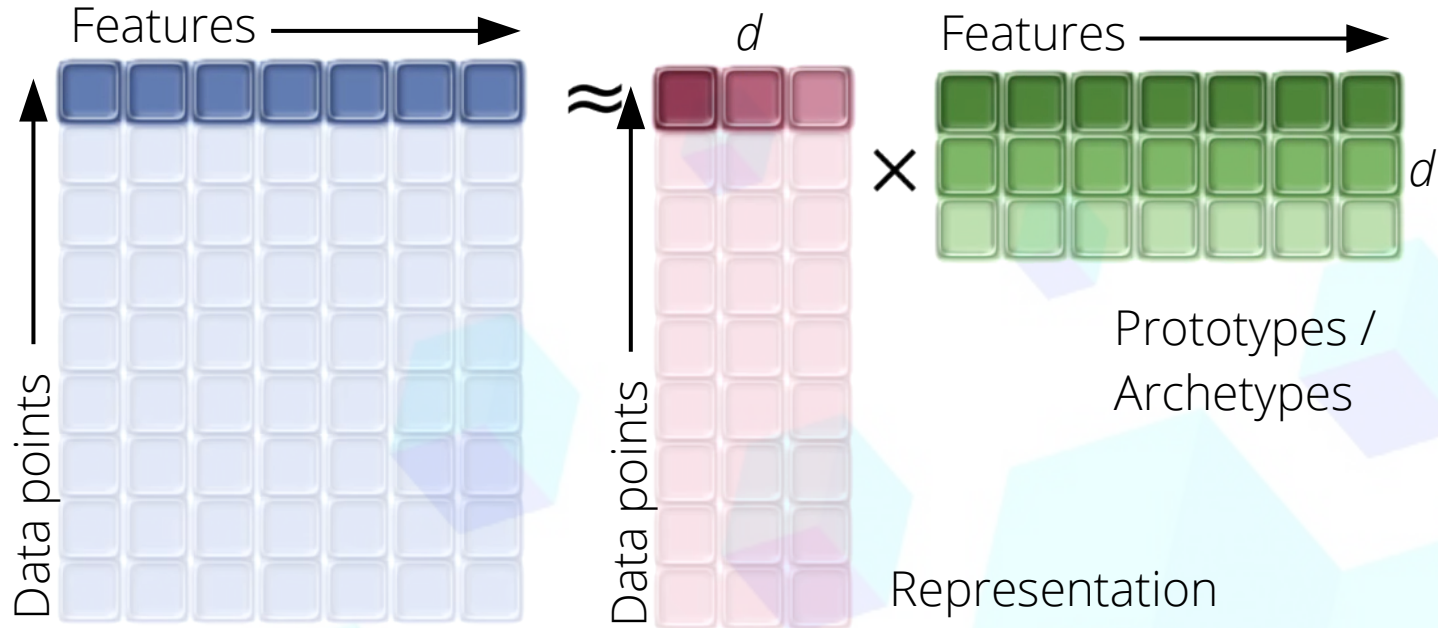
Sensitivity =  $TP / (TP+FN)$

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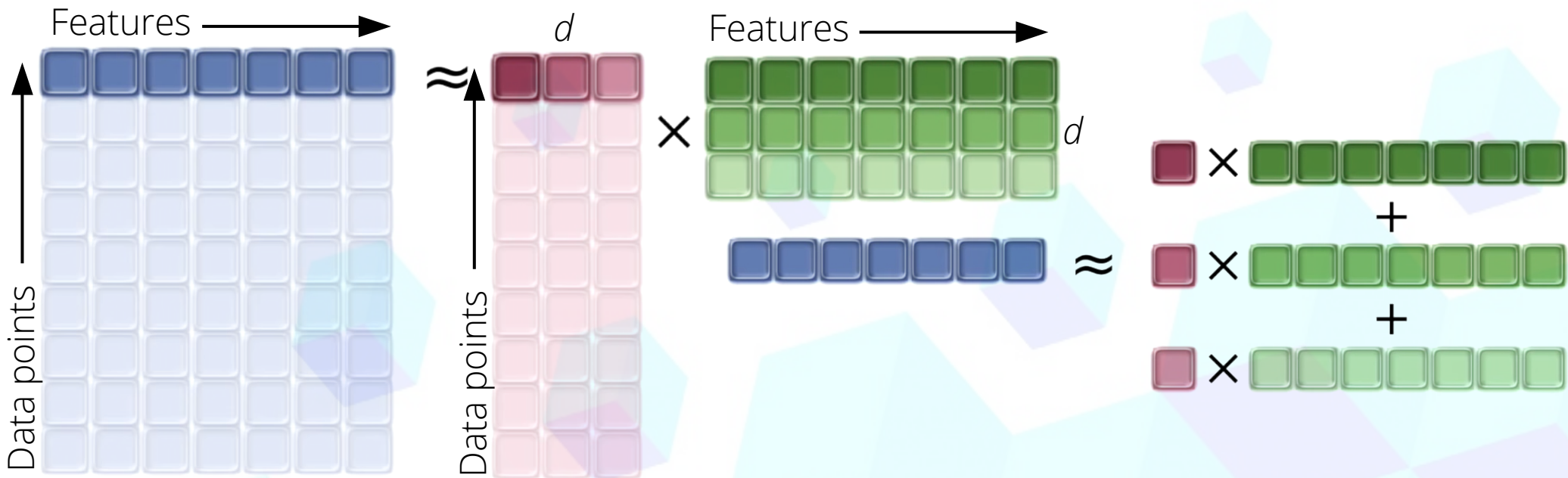


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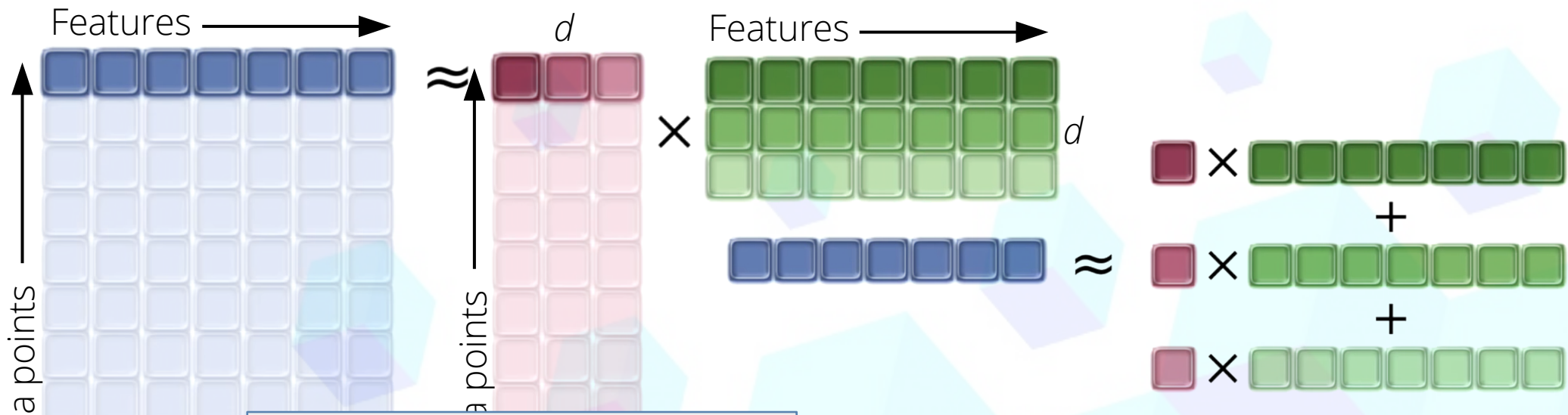




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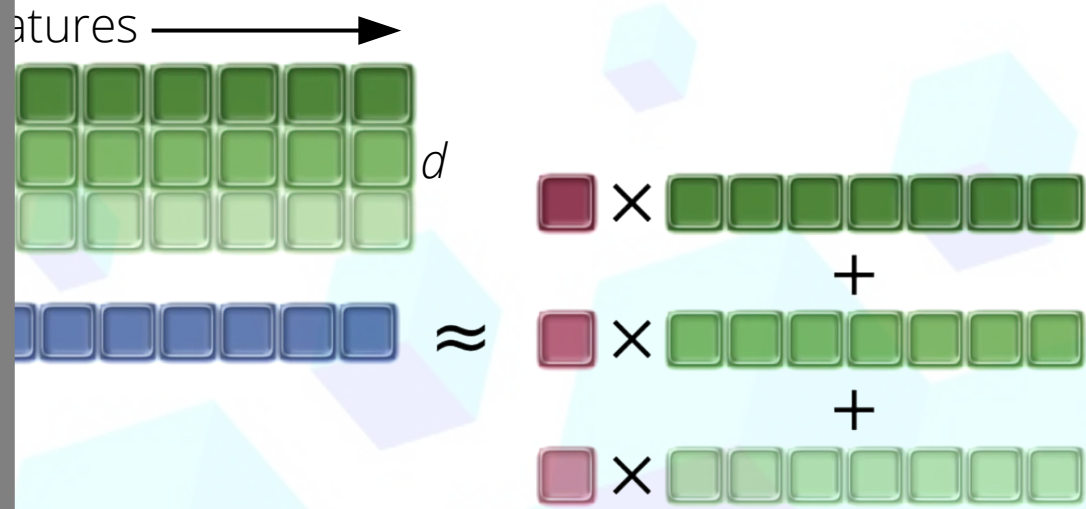
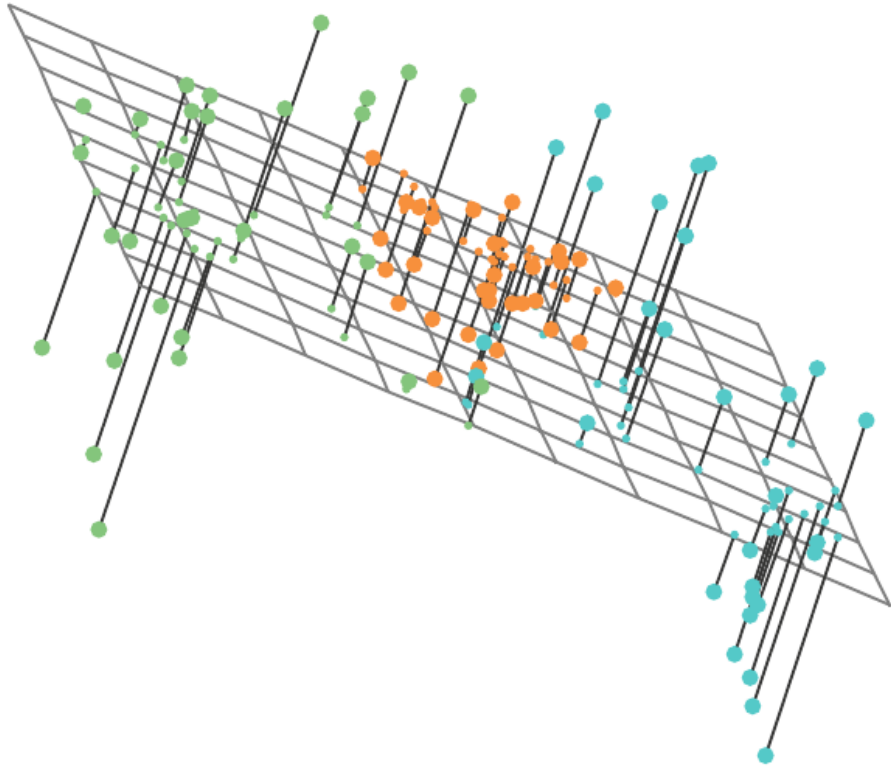


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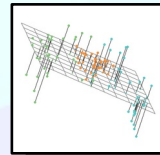
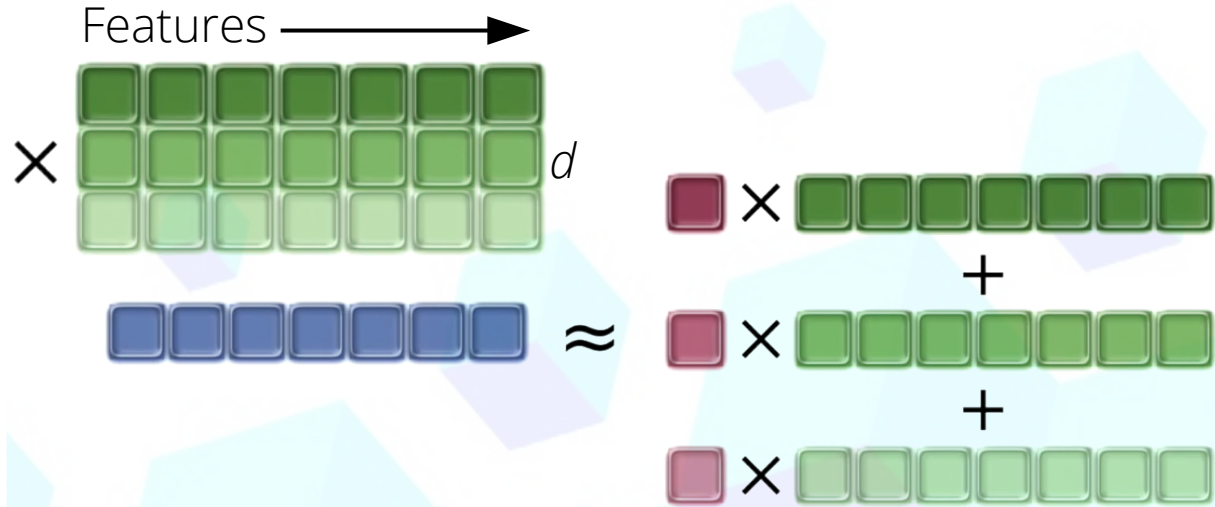
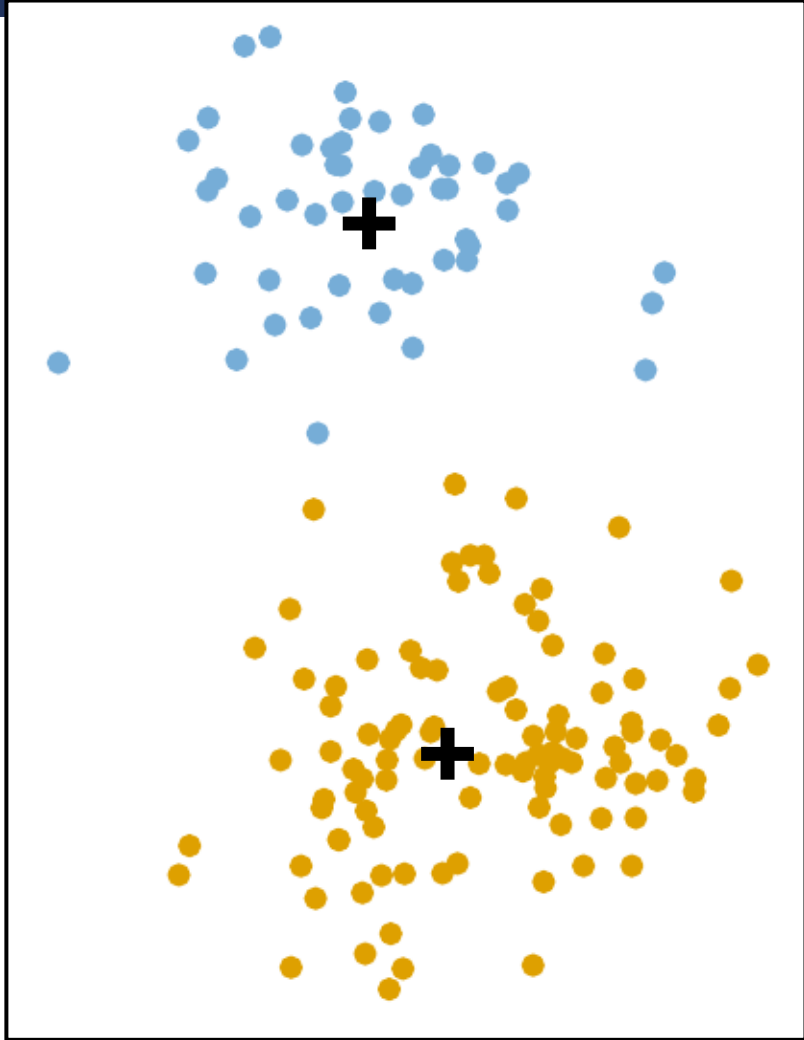
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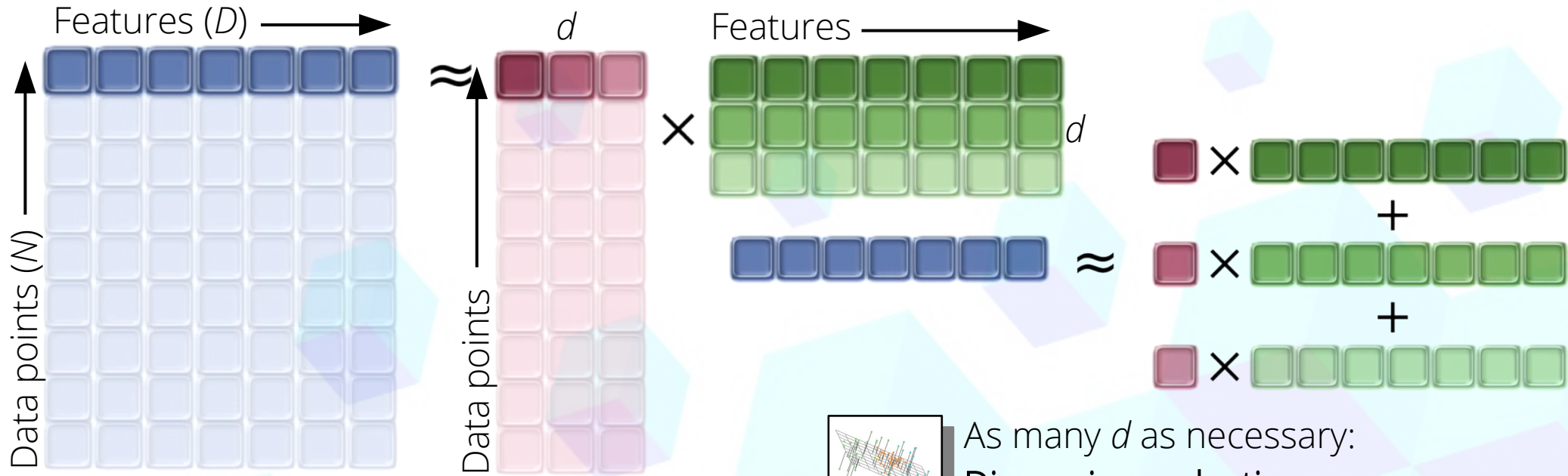
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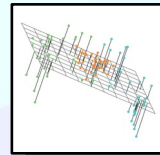
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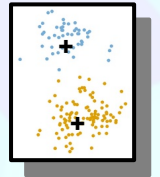


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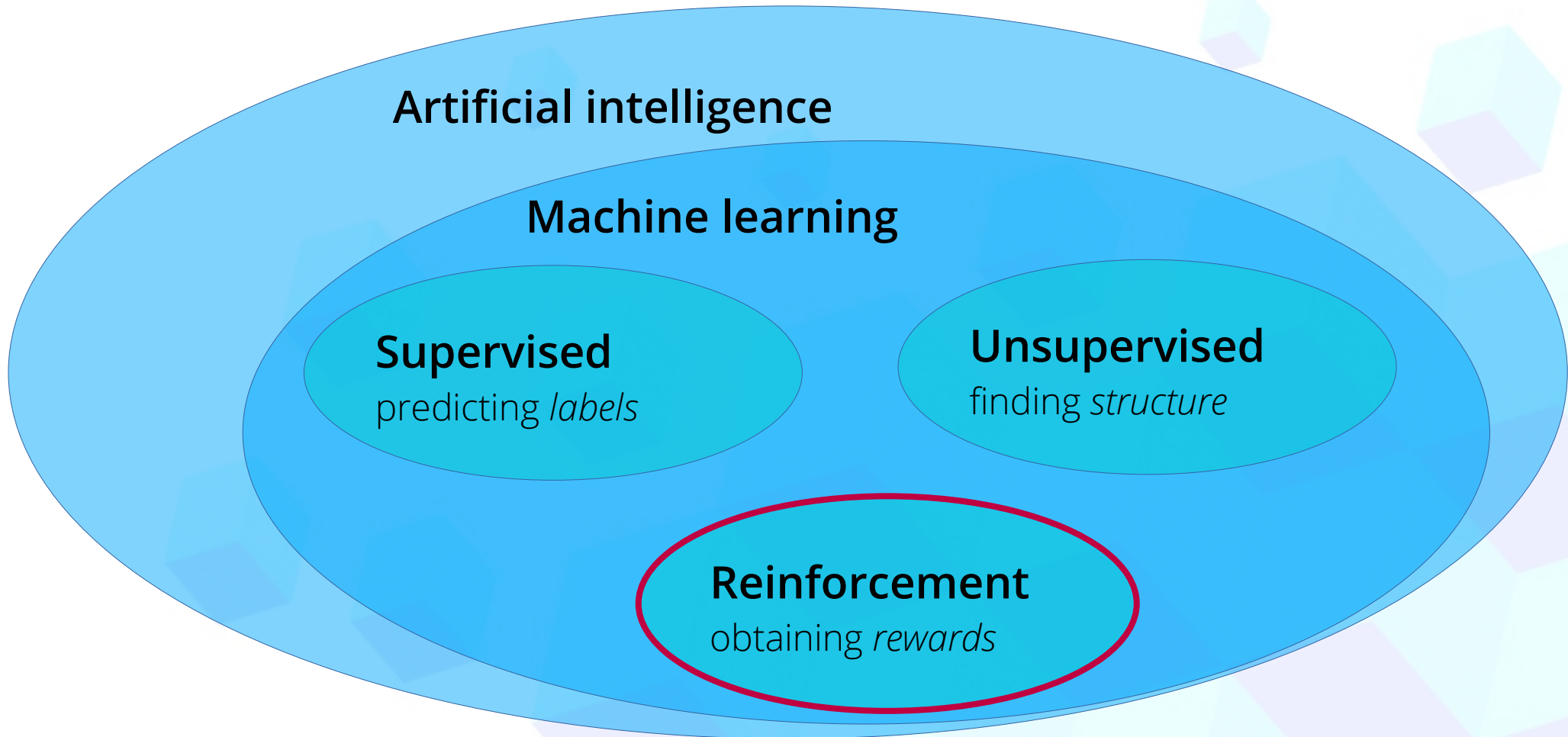


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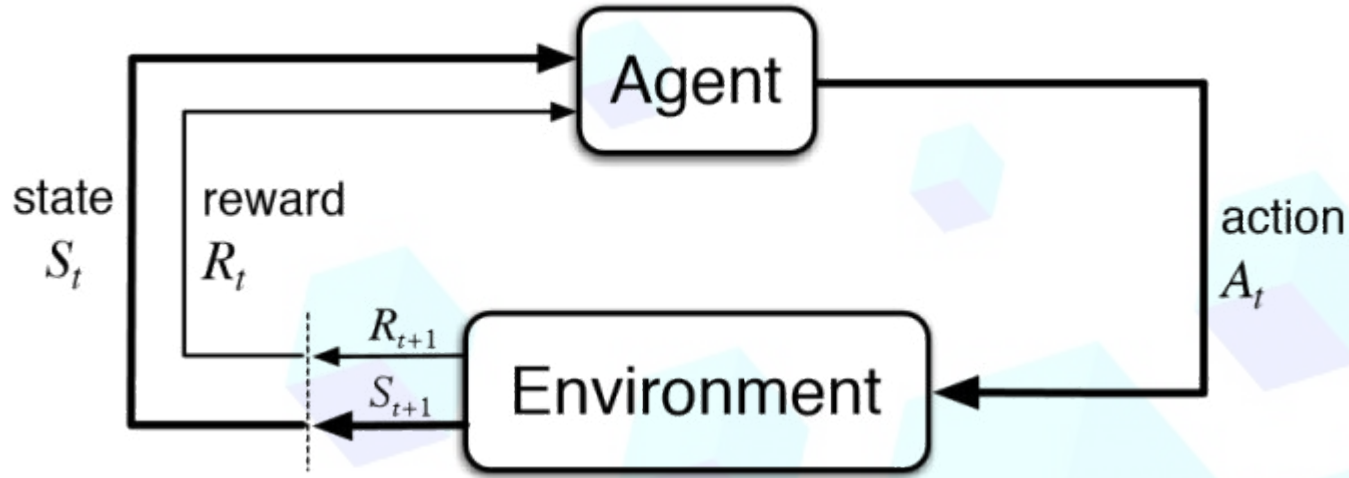


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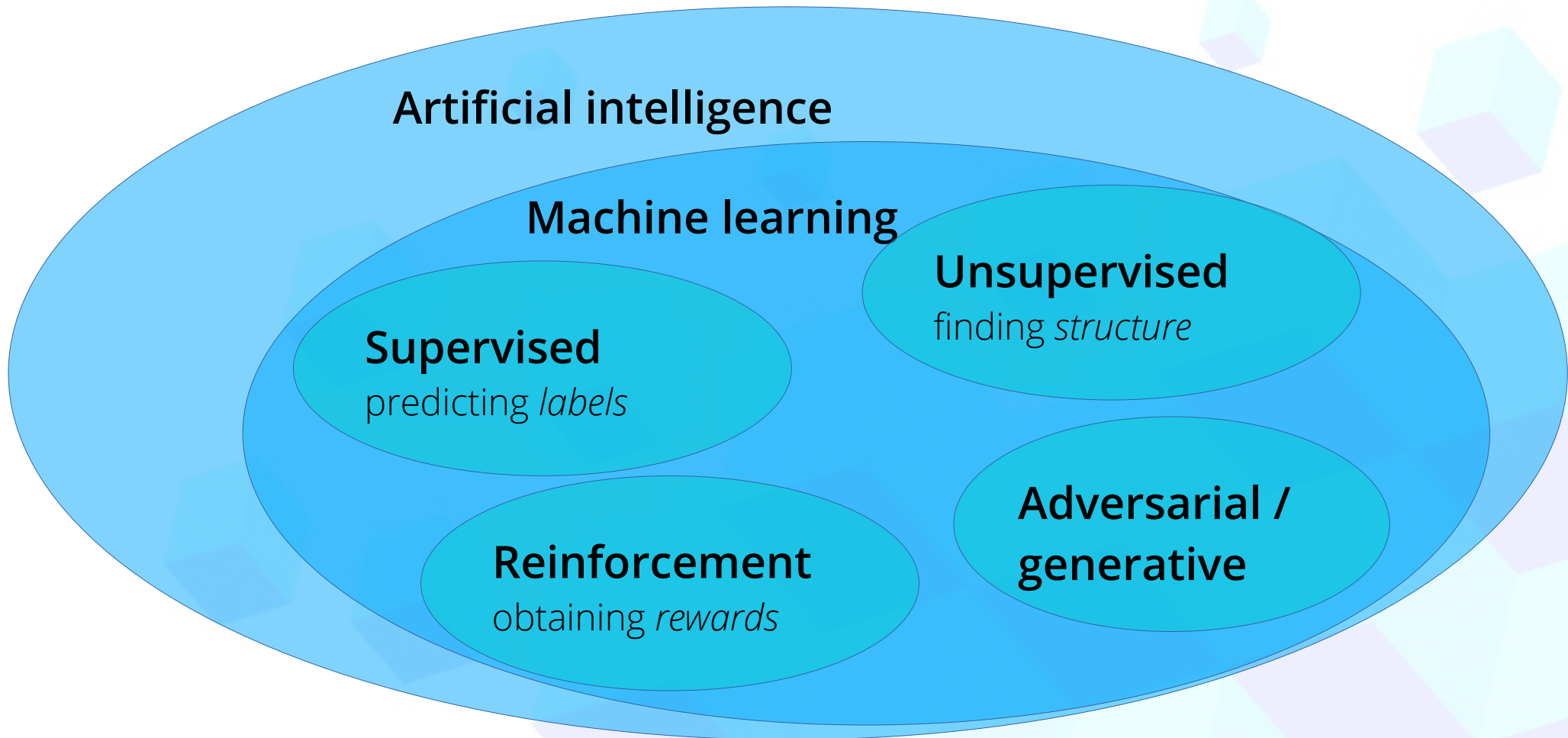
“A supervised learning starting which builds its own training dataset starting from no data”.

The *agent* changes its *state* by taking *actions*: i.e., by *exploring* or *exploiting* the environment, on the basis of expected *reward* and *policy*. On the basis of the feedback from the *environment* (actual *rewards* or *punishments*), the model is updated.

See e.g.:

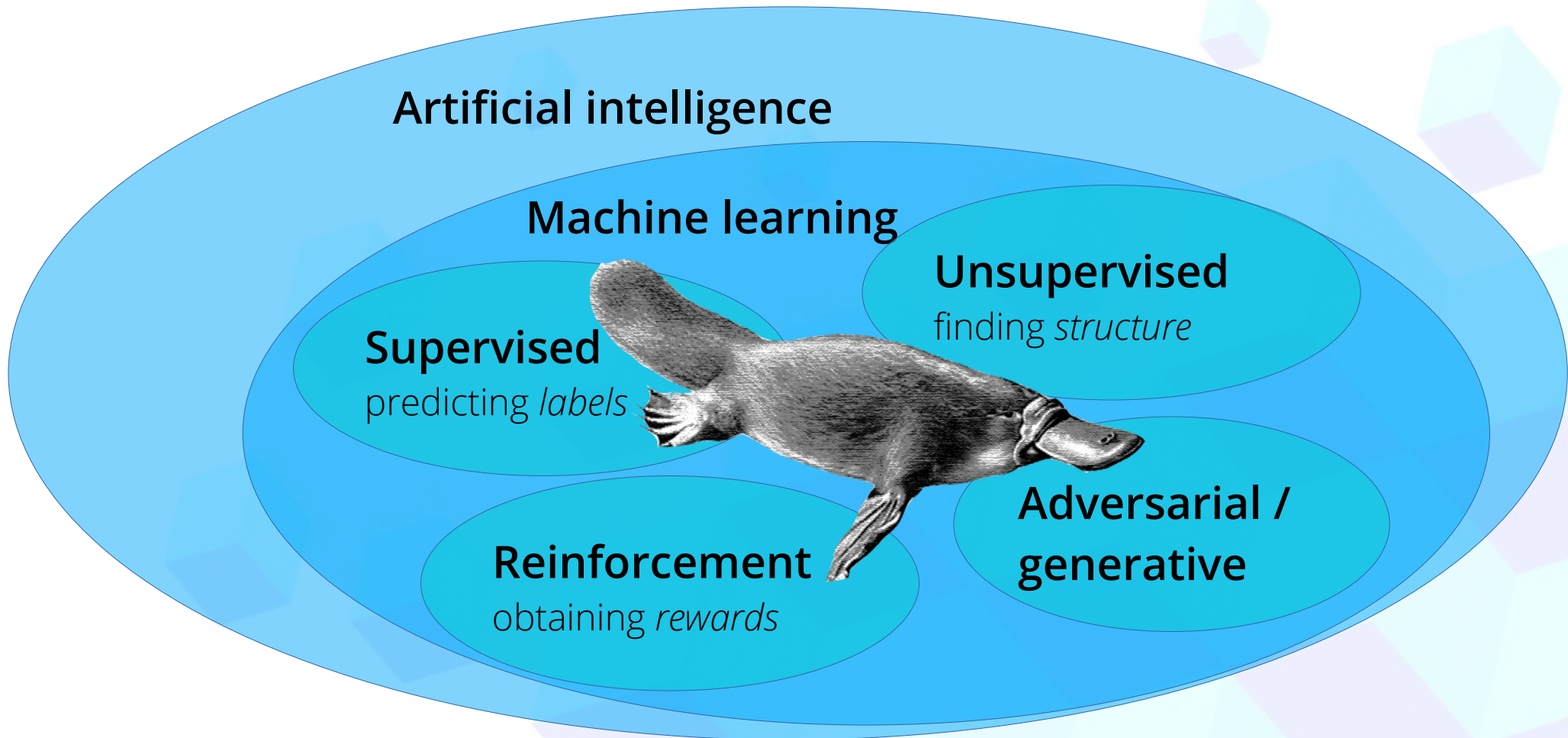
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# AI algorithms in the future lectures

## Infrastructure

NOMAD and FAIRmat

Markus Scheidgen

## When (initial) data are scarce

Active and reinforcement learning

Multi-fidelity learning

Bayesian inference and optimization

Experiment design

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Gian-Marco Rignanes

Kentaro Kutsukake

Sergei Kalinin

## Learning and exploiting interatomic potentials

Neural-network based

Kernel based

Daniel Schwalbe Koda

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