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In your Wavestone projects you have all identified *Algorithmic AI* components in your systems

You need to be precise what you mean:

- 1) Traditional deterministic procedural algorithm
- 2) Expert systems : knowledge base and inference engine - declarative programming
- 3) Machine Learning - no explicit program

There are advantages and negatives of each of these

Do not assume that ML is the best choice for your needs

You must analyse what function you want your AI to calculate, ... as well as many other factors

With ML there are many alternative approaches

ETHICAL ASPECTS TO AI, GEN-AI USE

A reminder -

- The environment - energy, water, pollution
- Intellectual Property - theft, plagiarism
- Human labour exploitation/abuse
- ‘Hallucinations’
- Bias and discrimination
- Data privacy/security
- Fake news - disinformation, fraud, & scams
- Fake media - abuse and illegal images/videos/text
- Cognitive and Technical Debt
- Psychological impacts - anthropomorphism, nudging and manipulation
- Destruction/pollution of the WWW
- Economic risks - size of investments, undermining creative economies
- Tech. Resource risks - other critical technological uses/advances are being slowed

Review

Machine Learning: Models, Challenges, and Research Directions

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Abstract: Machine learning techniques have emerged as a transformative force, revolutionizing various application domains, particularly cybersecurity. The development of optimal machine learning applications requires the integration of multiple processes, such as data pre-processing, model selection, and parameter optimization. While existing surveys have shed light on these techniques, they have mainly focused on specific application domains. A notable gap that exists in current studies is the lack of a comprehensive overview of machine learning architecture and its essential phases in the cybersecurity field. To address this gap, this survey provides a holistic review of current studies in machine learning, covering techniques applicable to any domain. Models are classified into four categories: supervised, semi-supervised, unsupervised, and reinforcement learning. Each of these categories and their models are described. In addition, the current progress related to data pre-processing and hyperparameter tuning techniques. Moreover, this survey identifies and reviews the research gaps and key challenges that the cybersecurity field faces. By analyzing these gaps, we propose some promising research directions for the future. Ultimately, this survey aims to serve as a valuable resource for researchers interested in learning about machine learning, providing them with insights to foster innovation and progress across diverse application domains.

Keywords: artificial intelligence; data pre-processing; machine learning; supervised learning; semi-supervised learning; optimization techniques; reinforcement learning; unsupervised learning



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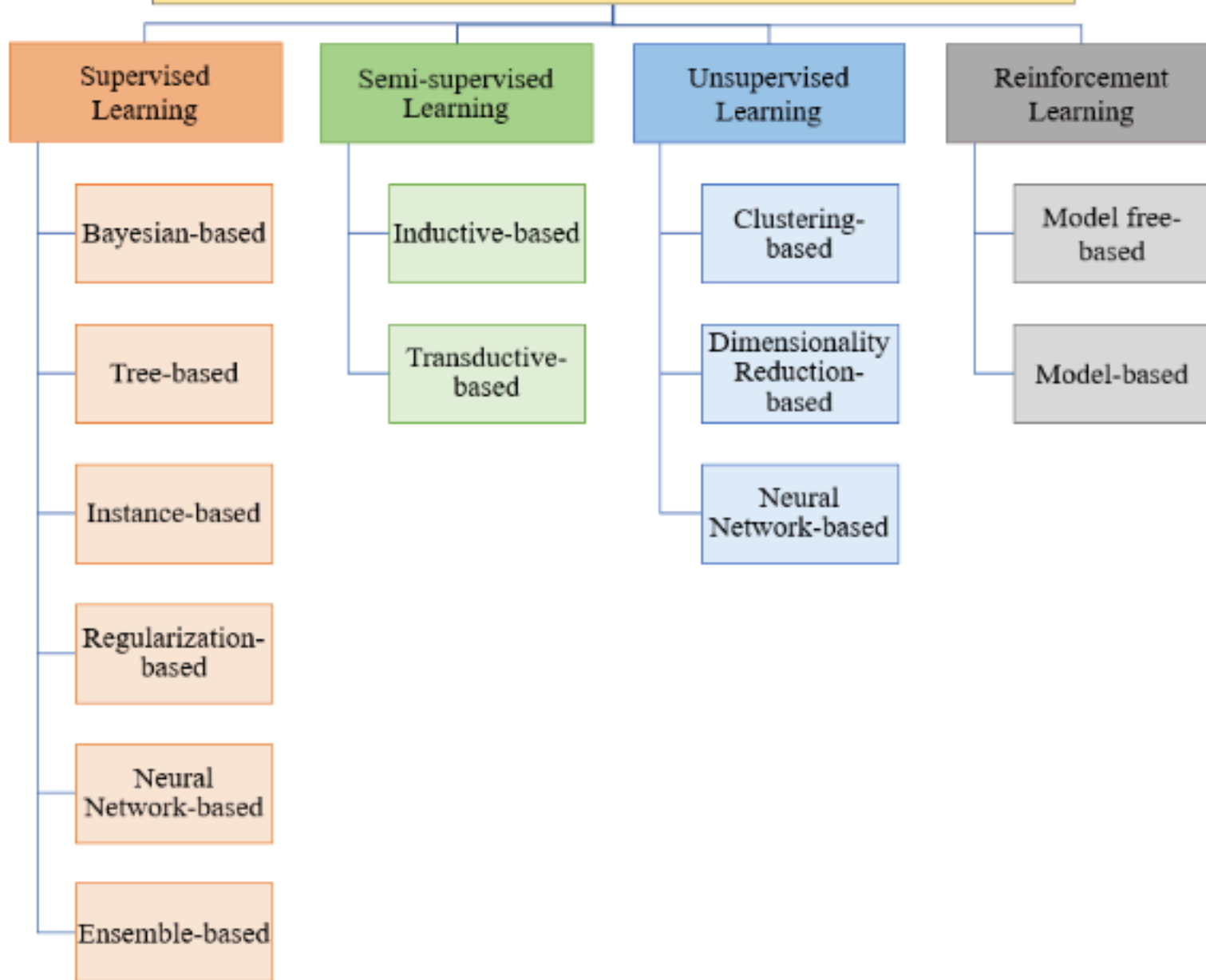
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1. Introduction

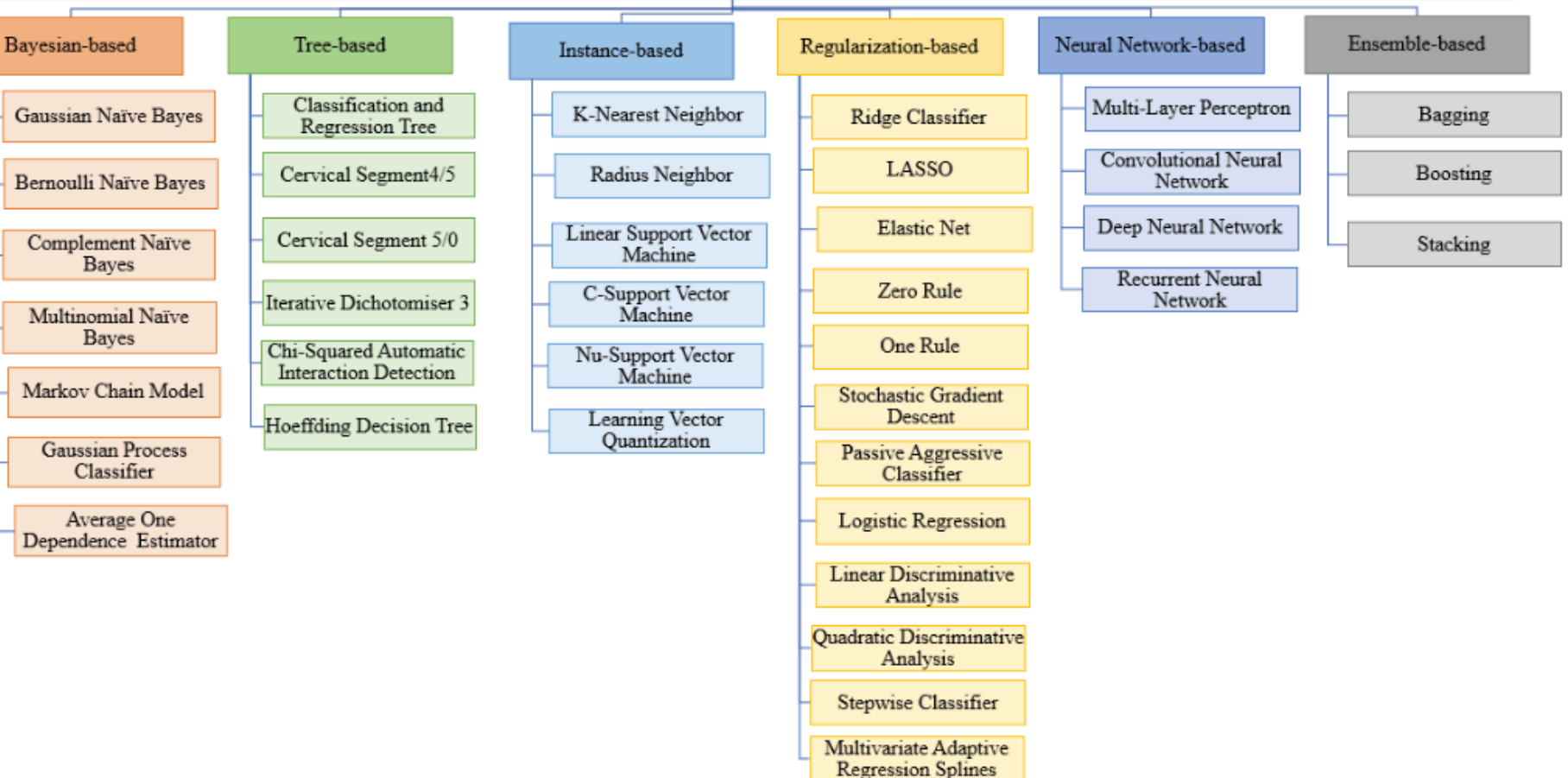
Machine learning (ML) applications have recently found extensive use across various domains, including cyber-security [1]. These cyber-security applications have attained widespread adoption in research and commercial systems, establishing themselves as indispensable components [2,3]. Building a compelling and influential secure ML application is a complex and time-consuming undertaking. It requires high-quality data and the selection of an appropriate model, which can achieve optimal architecture through hyperparameter tuning [4]. Numerous factors have to be taken into consideration when building a successful machine learning model. To develop a thriving security ML application, the initial step involves collecting raw signals and generating a dataset. However, this process often encounters challenges, such as inconsistencies, imputations, and redundancies, which can lead to inaccurate results [5–7]. Therefore, employing proper data pre-processing techniques becomes imperative in the development of any successful machine learning application [8,9]. The second step is to choose a machine learning model. These ML models can be classified into four categories: supervised, semi-supervised, unsupervised, and reinforcement learning. Supervised models use a labeled dataset for the training process to achieve the desired outputs [3]. In contrast, unsupervised models are trained using unlabeled datasets without any supervision. Semi-supervised models are combinations of supervised and unsupervised models, which train the model using a small number

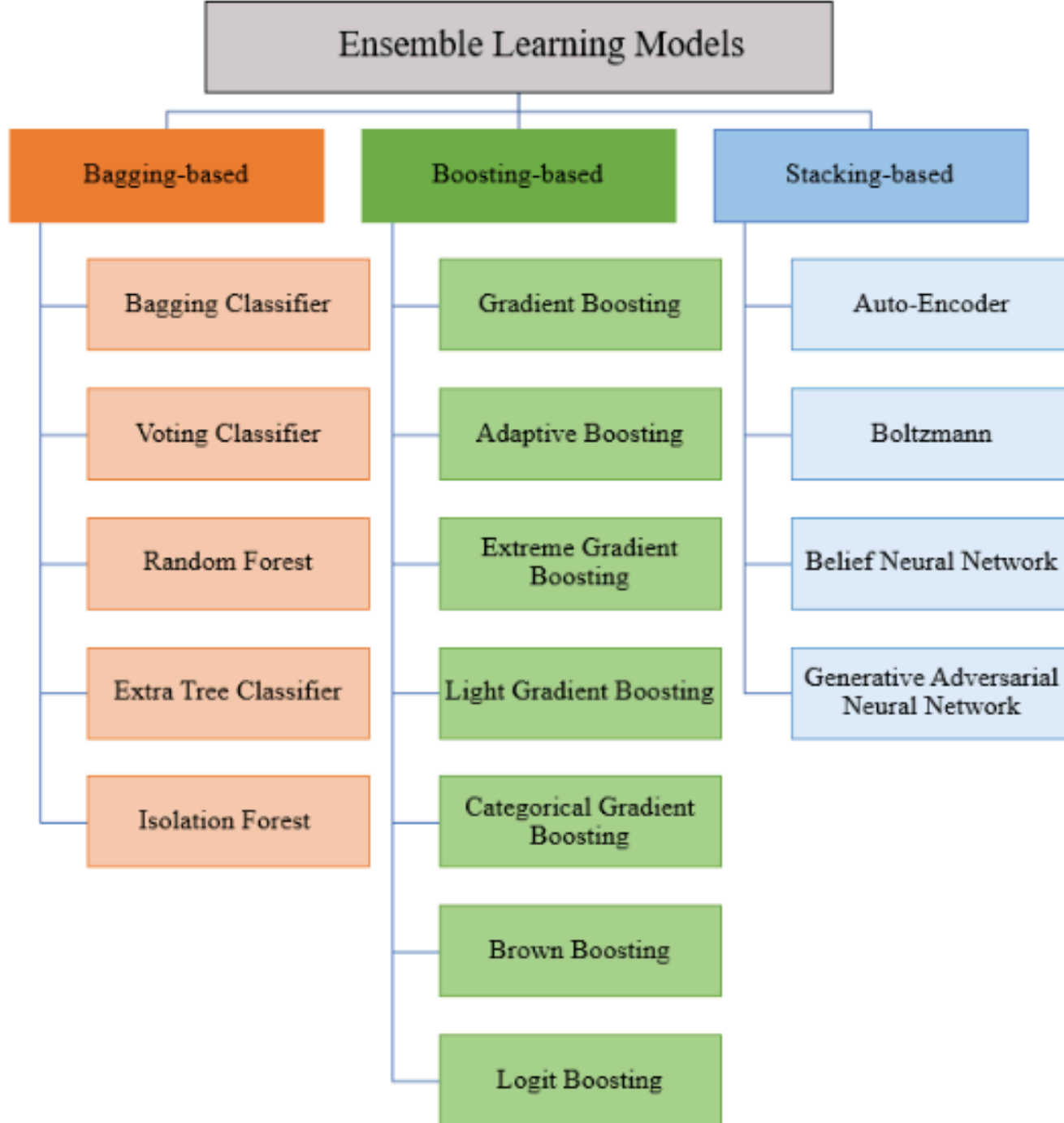
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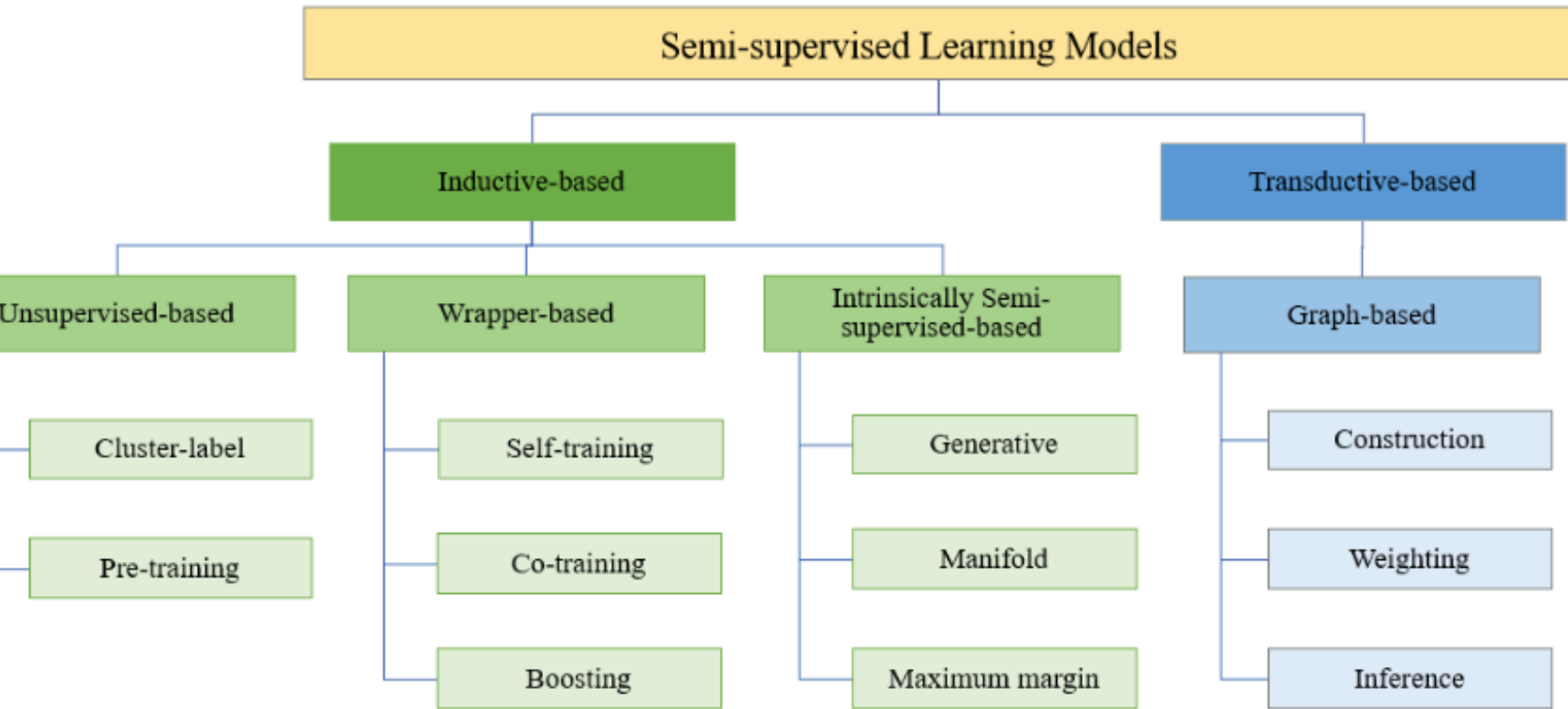
Classification of Machine Learning Models

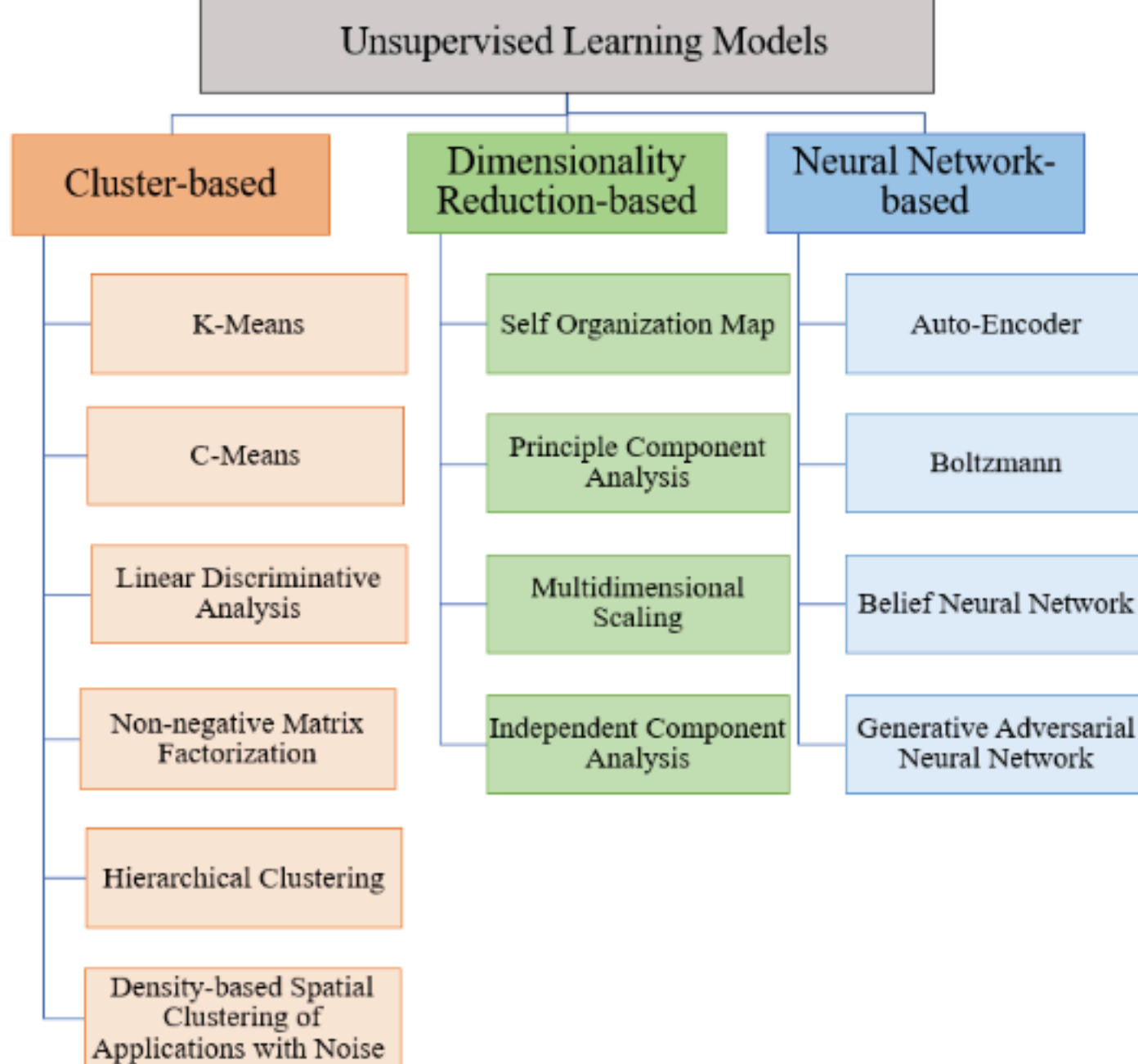


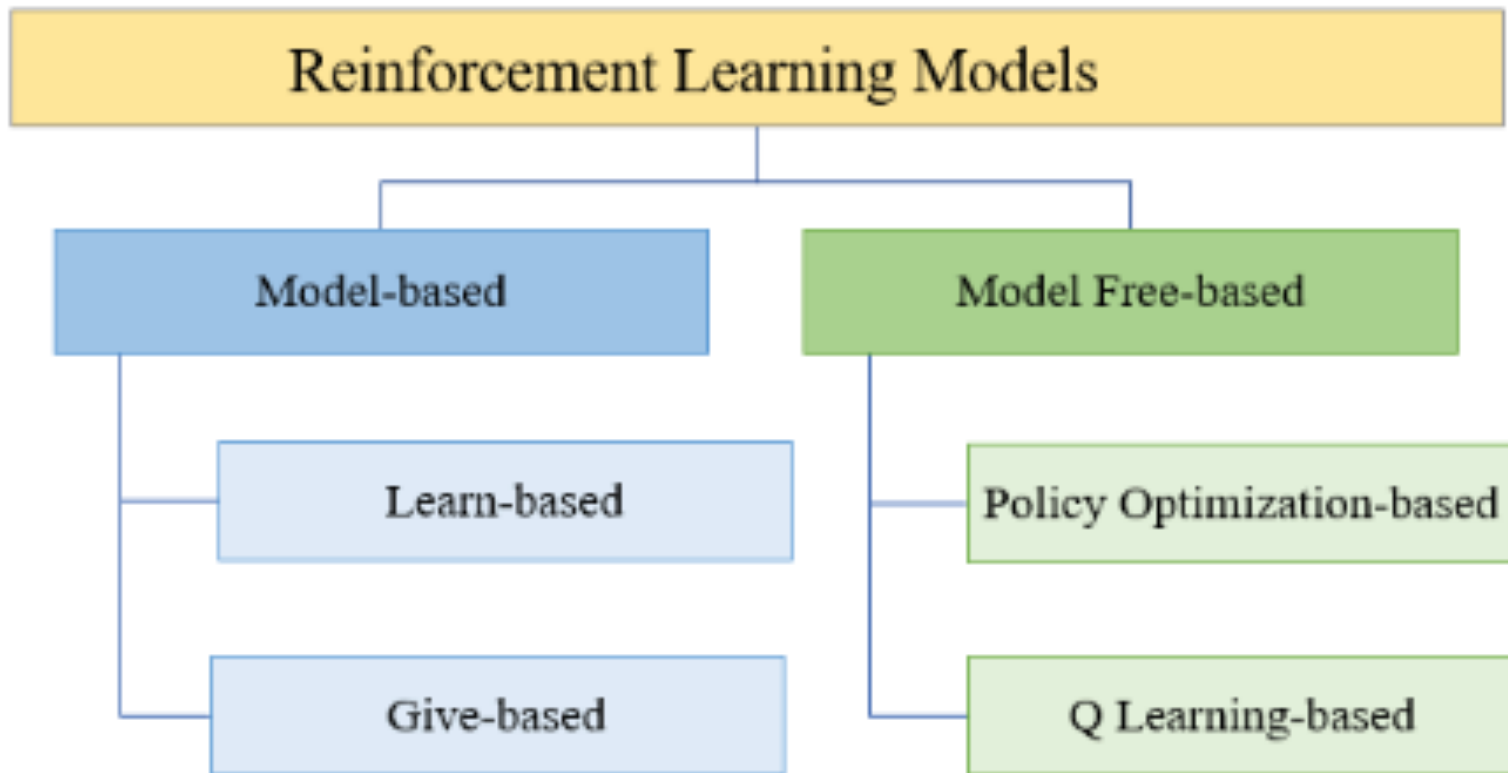
Supervised Learning Models











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What Is Machine Learning (ML)? Definition and Examples

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<https://ischoolonline.berkeley.edu/blog/what-is-machine-learning/>

Key Takeaways

- Machine learning is a subset of AI concerned with training models to allow computers to mimic human thought and decision making without explicit programming.
- The most common types of ML are supervised learning (learning via labeled data), unsupervised learning (learning via unlabeled data), and reinforcement learning (learning via a reward and punishment response).
- While ML drives powerful benefits like automation, advanced pattern recognition, and personalization, it also has risks, including algorithmic bias and data privacy concerns.

Three Components of a Machine Learning Model

There are a variety of different ML model architectures and types. However, the typical supervised machine learning algorithm consists of roughly three components:

1. A Decision Process

A decision process is a recipe of calculations or other steps that takes in the data and “guesses” what kind of pattern your algorithm is looking to find.

2. An Error Function

An error function is a method of measuring how good the guess was by comparing it to known examples (when they are available). Did the decision process get it right? If not, how do you quantify “how bad” the miss was?

3. An Updating or Optimization Process

An updating or optimization process is a method in which the algorithm looks at the miss and then updates how the decision process comes to the final decision, so next time the miss won't be as great.

Benefits and Risks of Machine Learning

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Models can identify patterns invisible to humans	'Black box' nature of models makes transparency difficult
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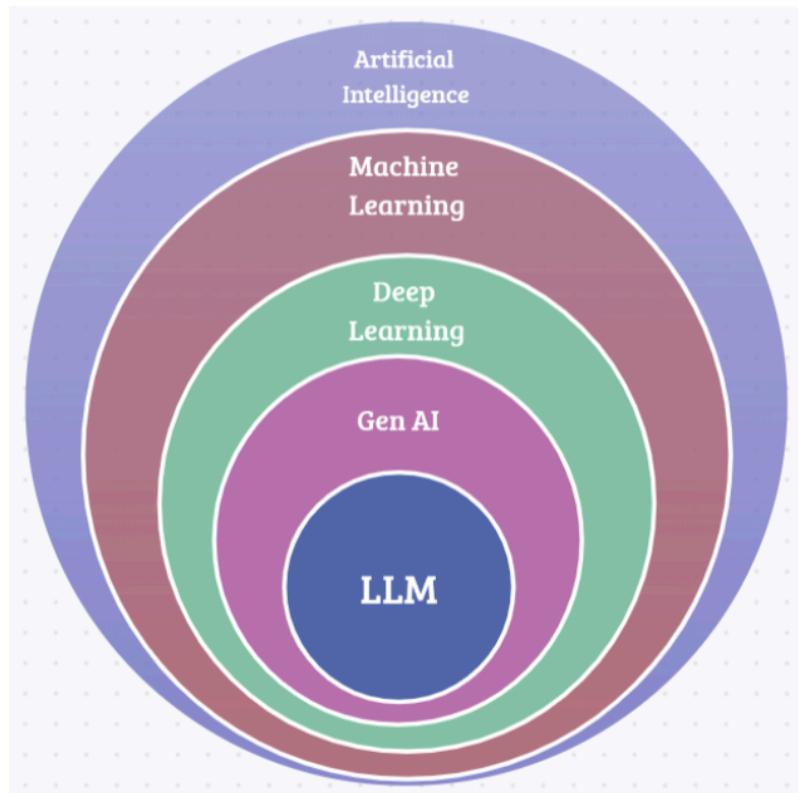
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Some Types of Generative AI

1. Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs)
2. Variational Autoencoders (VAEs)
3. Autoregressive Models
4. Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)
5. Transformer-based Models
6. Reinforcement Learning for Generative Tasks
7. Diffusion models etc.

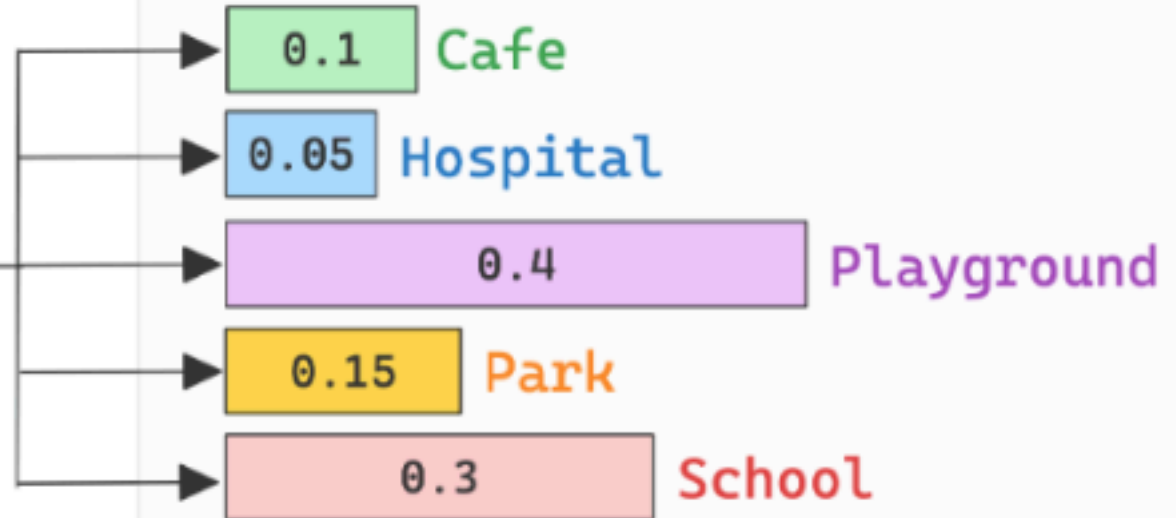
LLMs super-charged next word predictors

Previous words (Context)

The boy went to the



Probability distribution
over the next word/token



Word with the highest probability
is chosen

AI in your Wavestone projects

Identify, clearly the functionality it should offer

Do you really need AI for this?

If so, what data will be used ?

Which type of AI would be best?

Are you happy with the ethical issues?