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The Theory of Learning and Ensemble Learning

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Syllabus

Week	Date	Subject/Topics
1	2024/09/10	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
2	2024/09/17	Mid-Autumn Festival (Day off)
3	2024/09/24	Artificial Intelligence and Intelligent Agents; Problem Solving
4	2024/10/01	Knowledge, Reasoning and Knowledge Representation; Uncertain Knowledge and Reasoning
5	2024/10/08	Case Study on Artificial Intelligence I
6	2024/10/15	Machine Learning: Supervised and Unsupervised Learning

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7	2024/10/22	The Theory of Learning and Ensemble Learning
8	2024/10/29	Midterm Project Report
9	2024/11/05	Self-Learning
10	2024/11/12	Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning
11	2024/11/19	Case Study on Artificial Intelligence II
12	2024/11/26	Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing

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13	2024/12/03	Computer Vision and Robotics
14	2024/12/10	Generative AI, Philosophy and Ethics of AI and the Future of AI
15	2024/12/17	Final Project Report I
16	2024/12/24	Final Project Report II

The Theory of Learning and Ensemble Learning

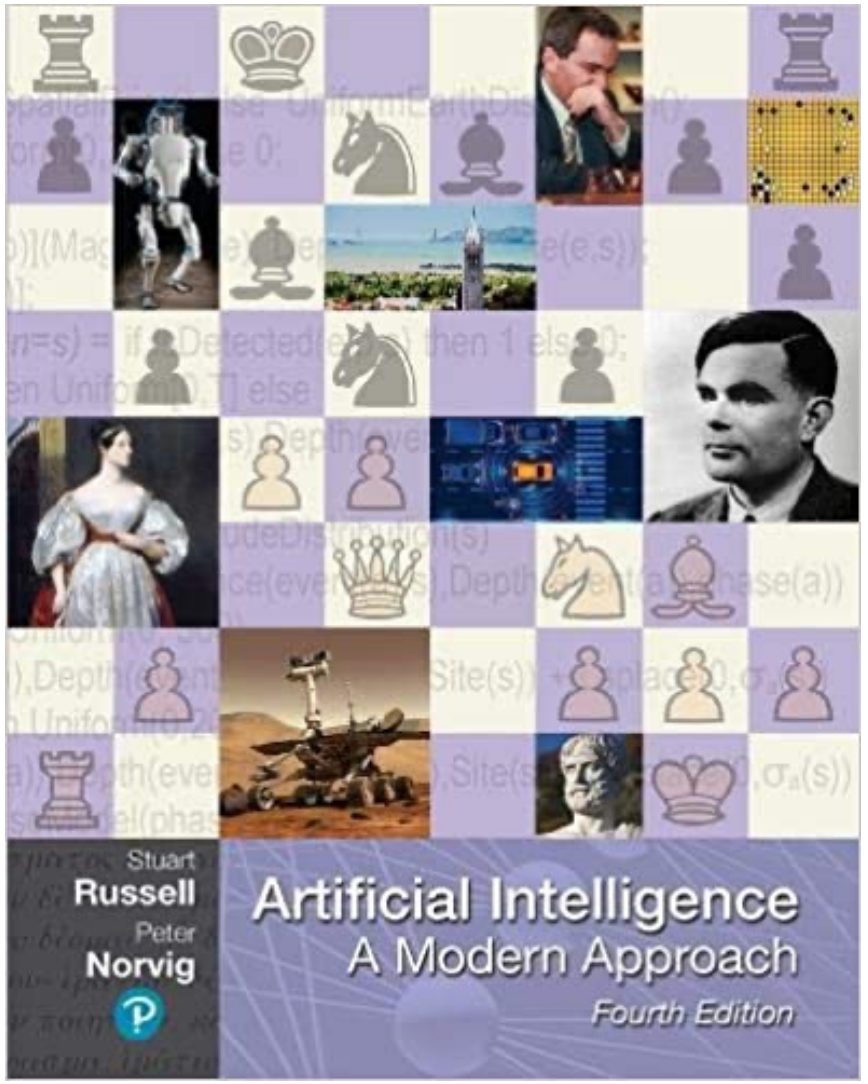
Outline

- The Theory of Learning
  - Computational Learning Theory
  - Probably Approximately Correct (PAC) Learning
- Ensemble Learning
  - Bagging: Random Forests (RF)
  - Boosting: Gradient Boosting, XGBoost, LightGBM, CatBoost
  - Stacking
  - Online learning
- Meta Learning: Learning to Learn

Stuart Russell and Peter Norvig (2020),

Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach,

4th Edition, Pearson



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Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach

1. Artificial Intelligence
2. Problem Solving
3. Knowledge and Reasoning
4. Uncertain Knowledge and Reasoning
5. Machine Learning
6. Communicating, Perceiving, and Acting
7. Philosophy and Ethics of AI

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Artificial Intelligence:
Machine Learning

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Artificial Intelligence:
5. Machine Learning

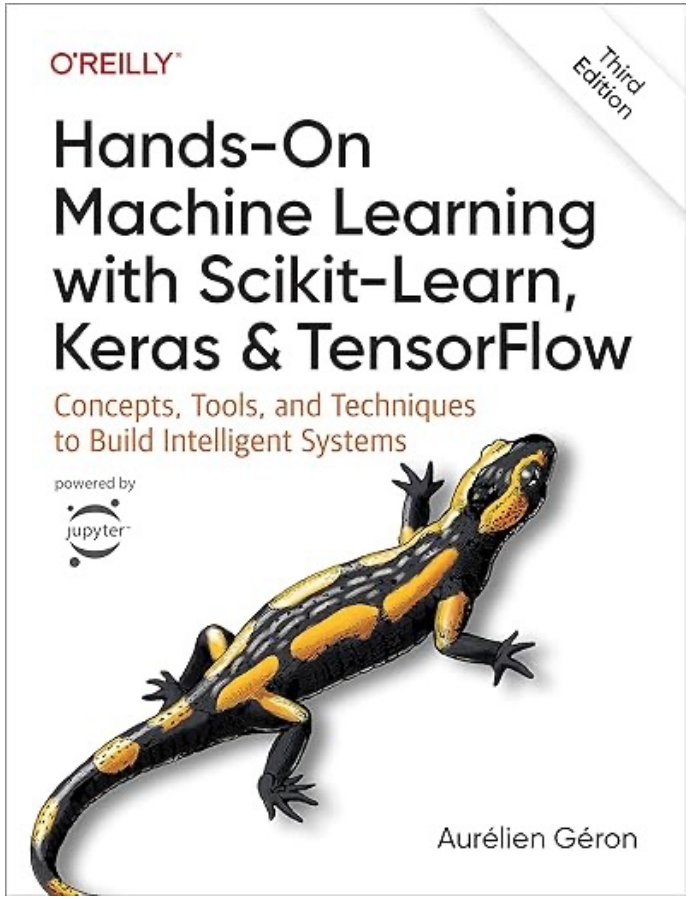
- **Learning from Examples**
- **Learning Probabilistic Models**
- **Deep Learning**
- **Reinforcement Learning**

Aurélien Géron (2022),

Hands-On Machine Learning with Scikit-Learn, Keras, and TensorFlow:

Concepts, Tools, and Techniques to Build Intelligent Systems,

3rd Edition, O'Reilly Media



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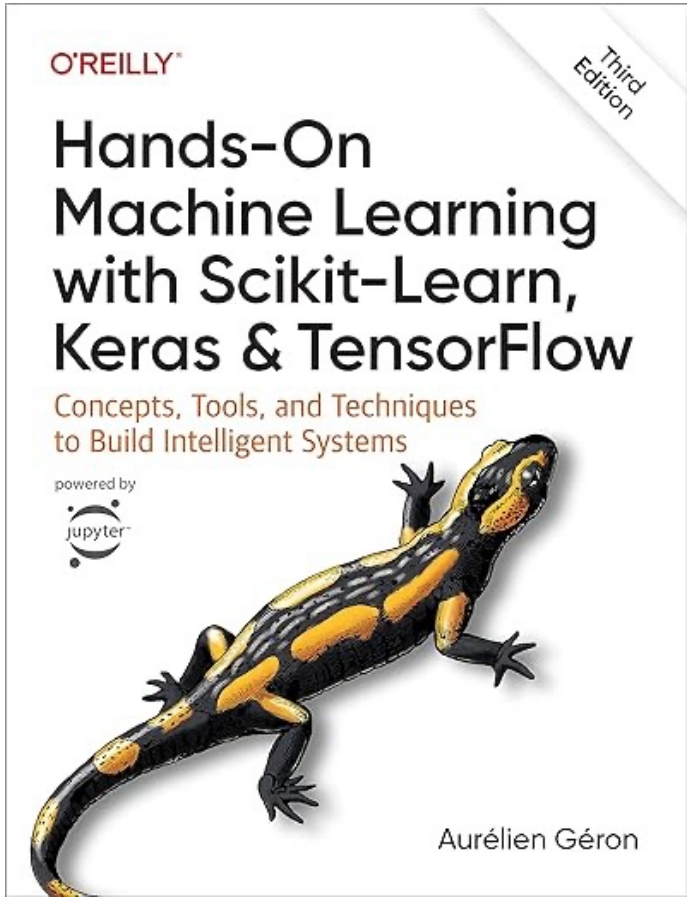
Notebooks

1. The Machine Learning landscape
2. End-to-end Machine Learning project
3. Classification
4. Training Models
5. Support Vector Machines
6. Decision Trees
7. **Ensemble Learning and Random Forests**
8. Dimensionality Reduction
9. Unsupervised Learning Techniques
10. Artificial Neural Nets with Keras
11. Training Deep Neural Networks
12. Custom Models and Training with TensorFlow
13. Loading and Preprocessing Data
14. Deep Computer Vision Using Convolutional Neural Networks
15. Processing Sequences Using RNNs and CNNs
16. Natural Language Processing with RNNs and Attention
17. Autoencoders, GANs, and Diffusion Models
18. Reinforcement Learning
19. Training and Deploying TensorFlow Models at Scale



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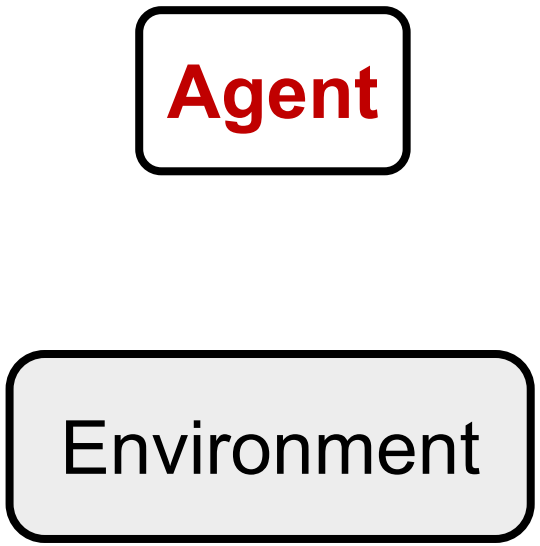

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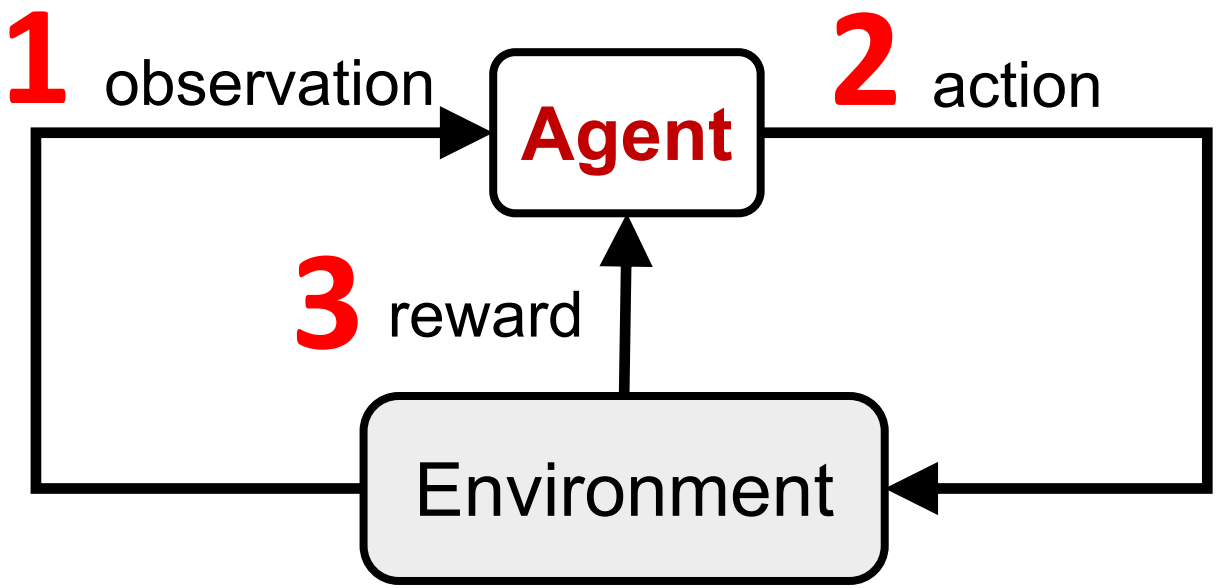

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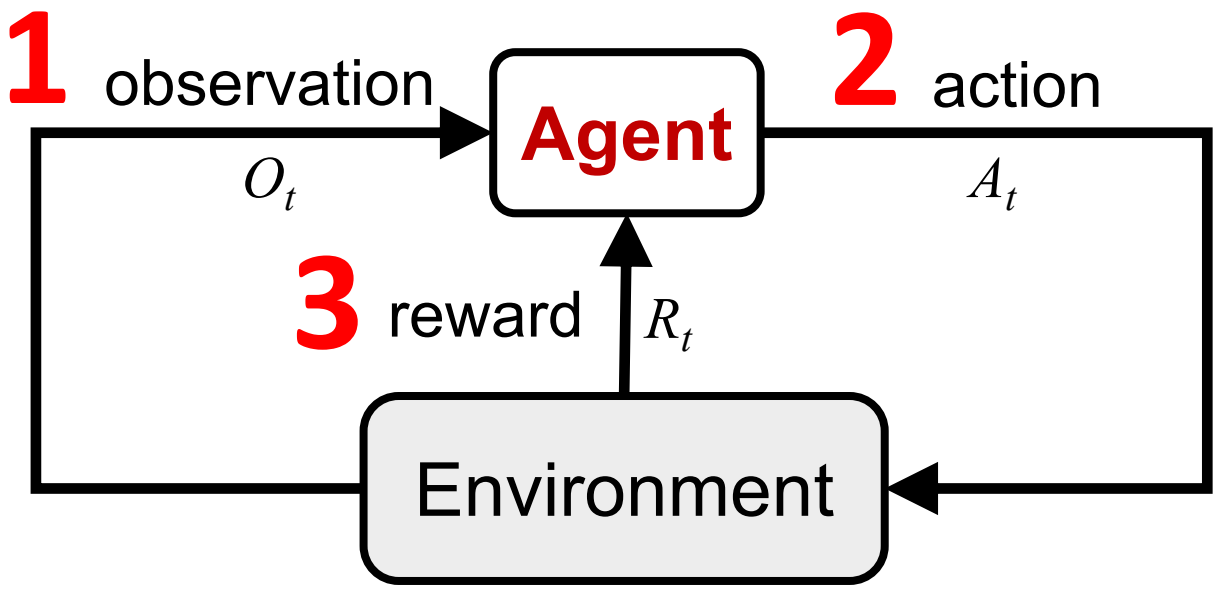

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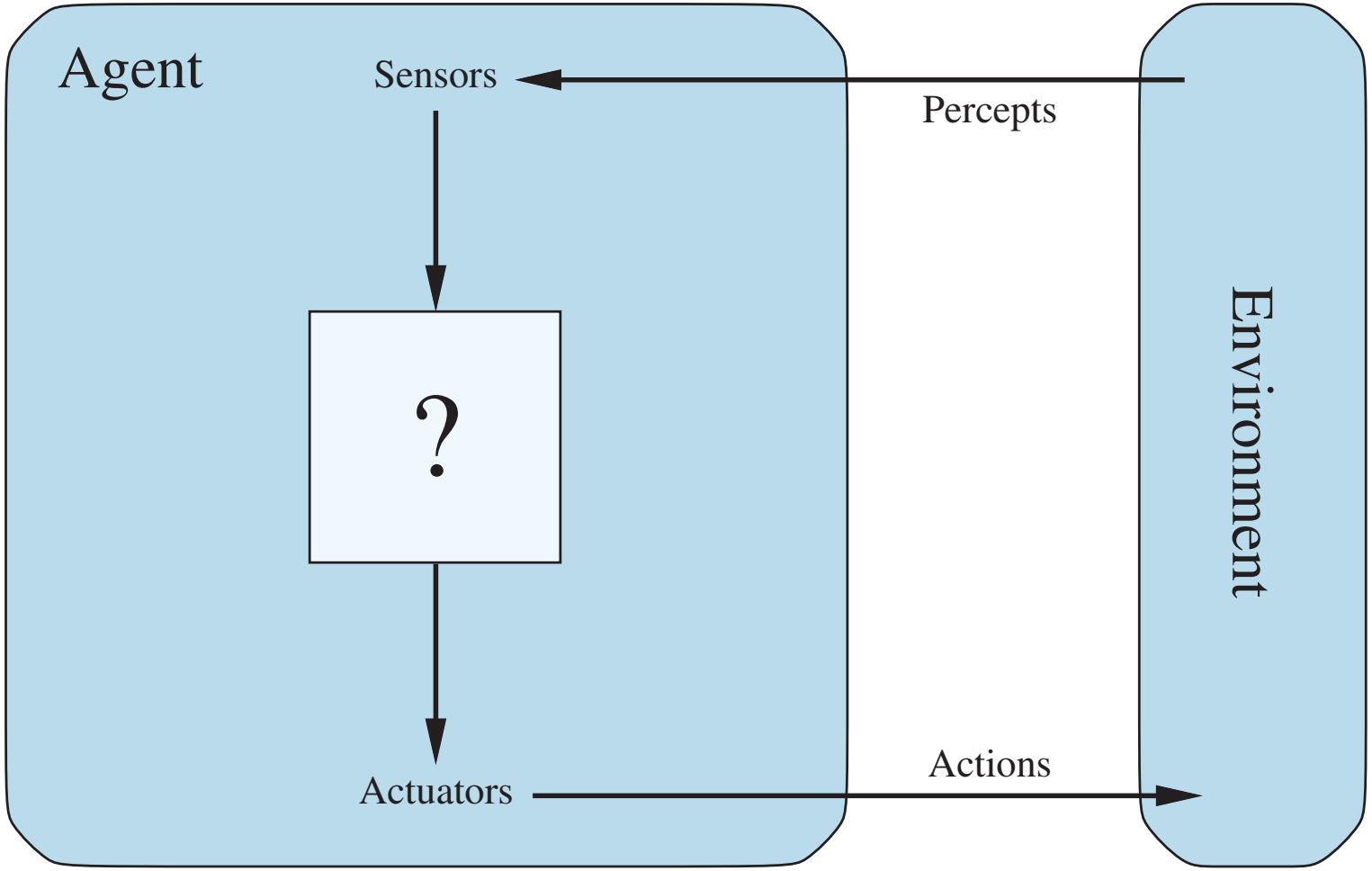

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Supervised Learning (Classification)
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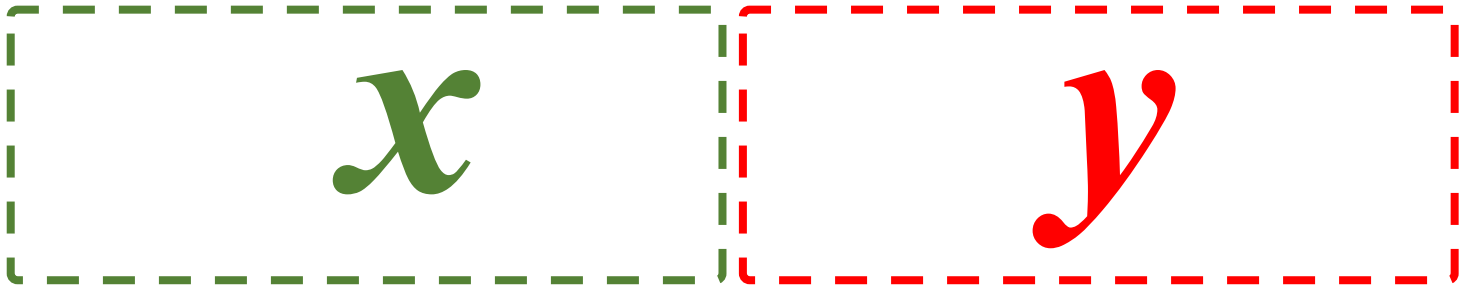

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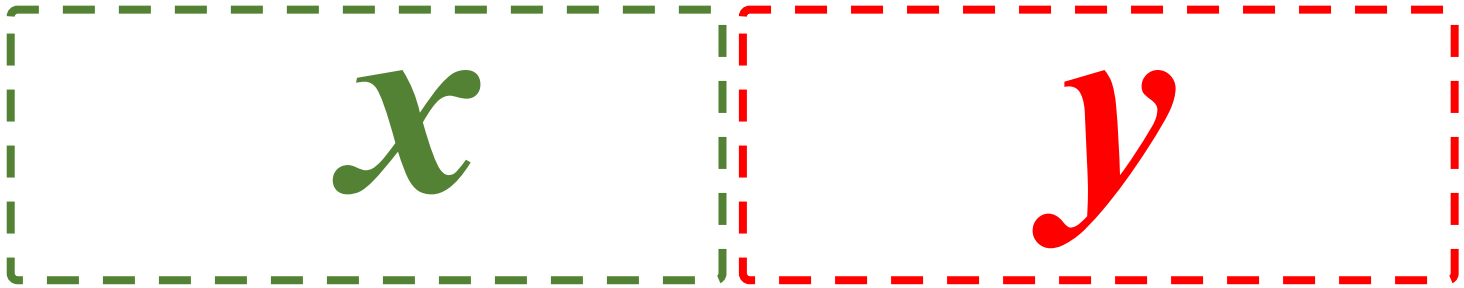

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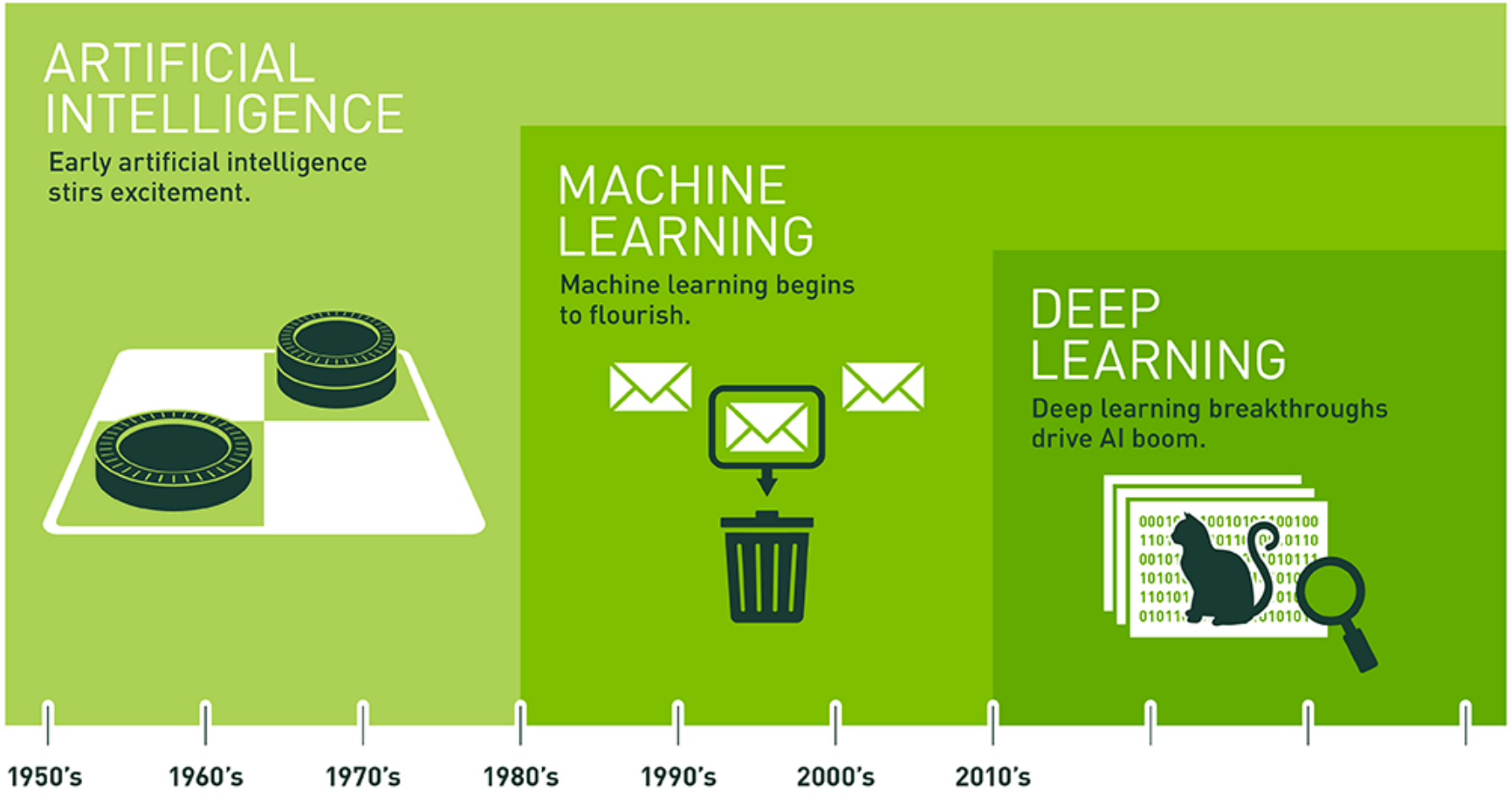
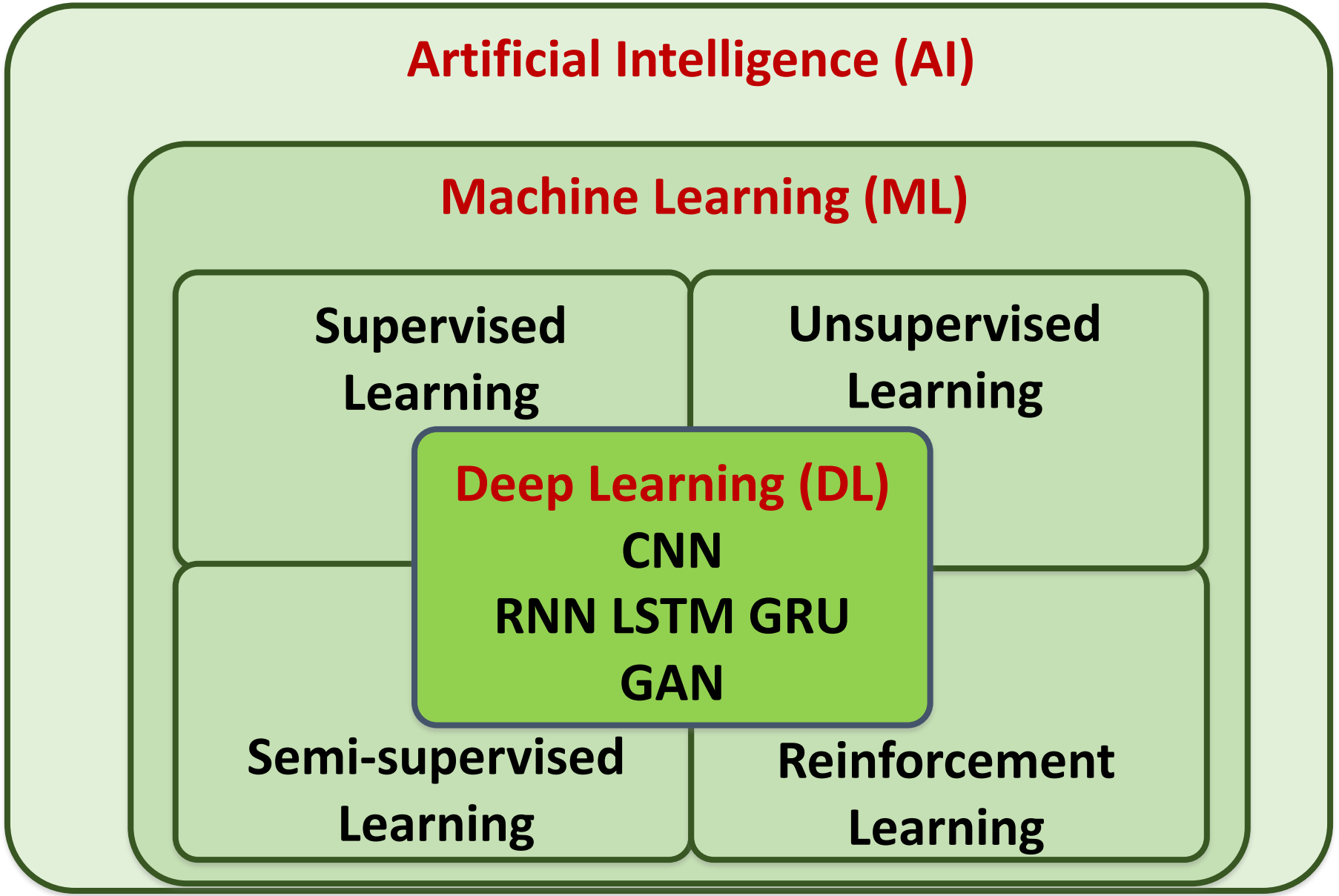
Artificial Intelligence
Machine Learning & Deep Learning



Since an early flush of optimism in the 1950s, smaller subsets of artificial intelligence – first machine learning, then deep learning, a subset of machine learning – have created ever larger disruptions.

Source: https://blogs.nvidia.com/blog/2016/07/29/whats-difference-artificial-intelligence-machine-learning-deep-learning-ai/

AI, ML, DL



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The Theory of Learning

The Theory of Learning

- Computational Learning Theory
  - Probably Approximately Correct (PAC) Learning
  - Vapnik-Chervonenkis (VC) Dimension
  - Bias-Variance Trade-off
- Overfitting and Underfitting
  - Avoid overfitting:
    Regularization, Cross-Validation

What is Learning in Machine Learning?

- **Learning involves finding patterns from data to make predictions.**
- **Performance is measured through generalization to unseen data.**
- **Three paradigms of learning:**
  - **Supervised Learning (e.g., classification, regression)**
  - **Unsupervised Learning (e.g., clustering, dimensionality reduction)**
  - **Reinforcement Learning (e.g., learning through rewards)**

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The Theory of Learning

- How can we be sure that our learned hypothesis will predict well for previously unseen inputs?
  - How do we know that the hypothesis h is close to the target function f if we don't know what is?
- How many examples do we need to get a good h?
- What hypothesis space should we use?
- If the hypothesis space is very complex, can we even find the best h or do we have to settle for a local maximum?
- How complex should h be?
- How do we avoid overfitting?

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Computational Learning Theory

- Intersection of AI, statistics, and theoretical computer science.
- Any hypothesis that is seriously wrong will almost certainly be "found out" with high probability after a small number of examples.

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Probably Approximately Correct (PAC) Learning

- Any **hypothesis** that is consistent with a sufficiently large set of training examples is unlikely to be seriously wrong.
- **PAC learning algorithm**:
  - Any learning algorithm that returns hypotheses that are probably approximately correct.

Probably Approximately Correct (PAC) Learning

- **PAC Learning provides a way to understand generalization**
- **Key Components:**
  - **Error threshold (ε)**
  - **Confidence level (1 - δ)**
- **Example: Linear models are PAC-learnable with enough data**

Linear function

$$y = f(x)$$

$$y = w_1 x + w_0$$

$$h_w(x) = w_1 x + w_0$$

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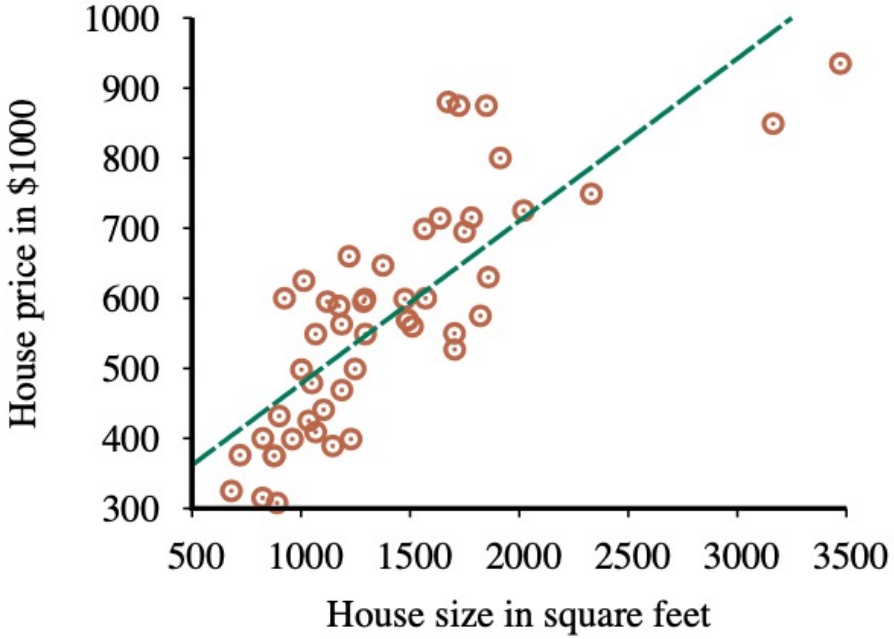
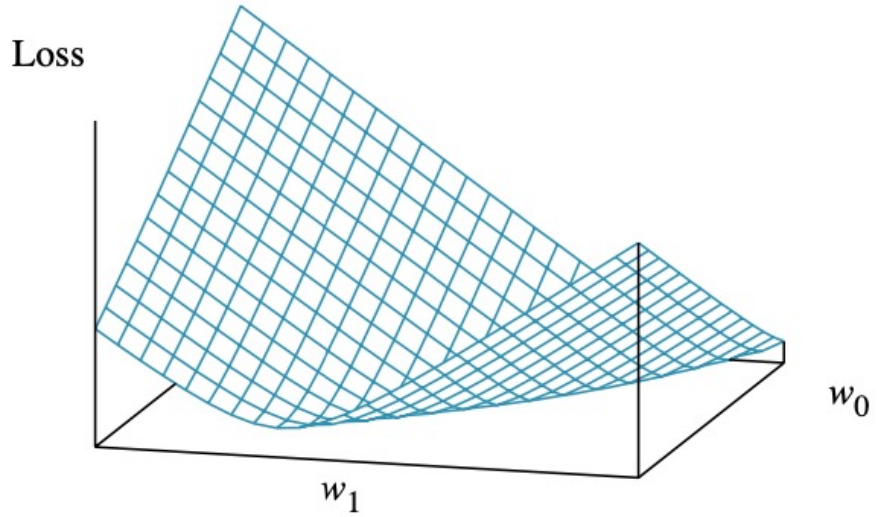
Linear Regression Weight Space

$$h_w(x) = w_1 x + w_0$$

$$w^* = \text{argmin}_w \, Loss(h_w)$$





$y = 0.232\,x + 246$

Loss function for Weights (w_1, w_0)

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Vapnik-Chervonenkis (VC) Dimension

- VC Dimension measures a model's capacity to fit various patterns
- Higher VC Dimension
  Higher model complexity
- Balancing model complexity helps improve generalization

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Bias-Variance Trade-off

- **Bias**: Error due to simple models (e.g., linear models)
- **Variance**: Error from models too sensitive to noise (e.g., deep trees)
- Bias-Variance Trade-off:
  - Low bias-high variance: Risk of **overfitting**
  - High bias-low variance: Risk of **underfitting**
- Selecting the right model **balances bias and variance**

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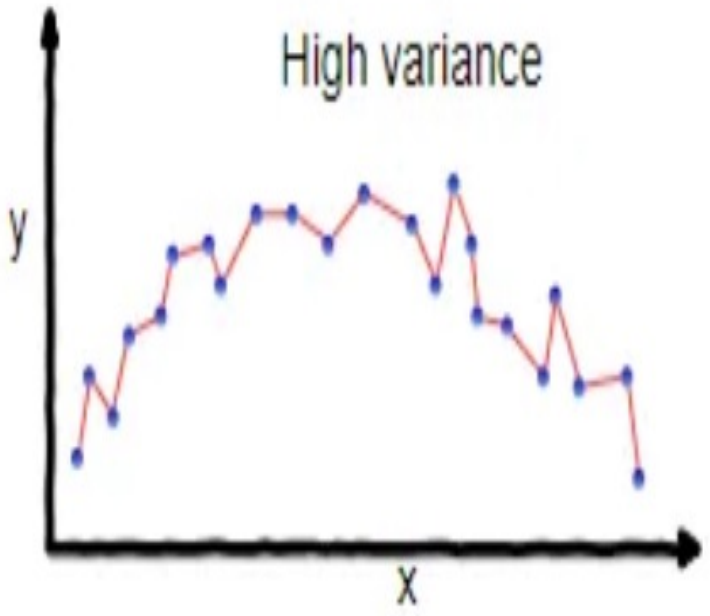
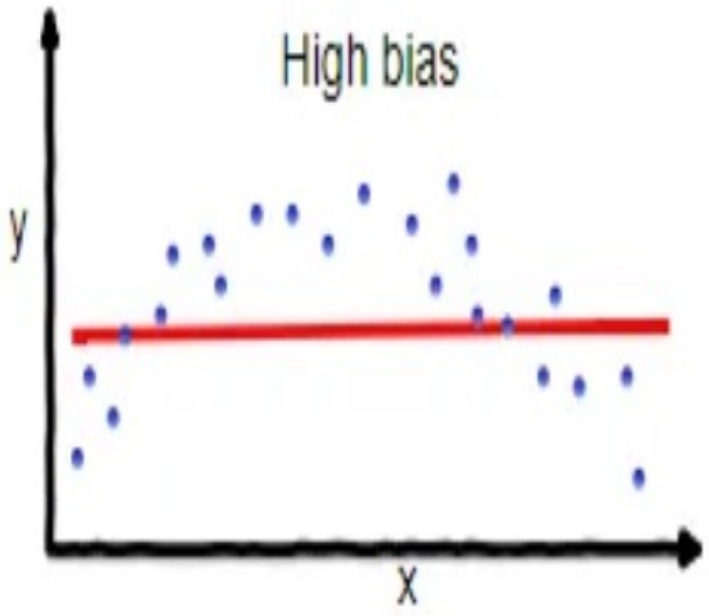
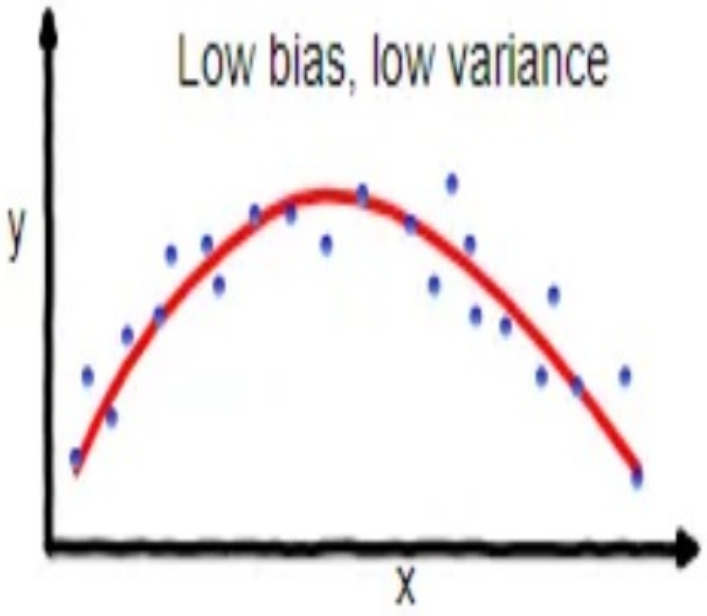
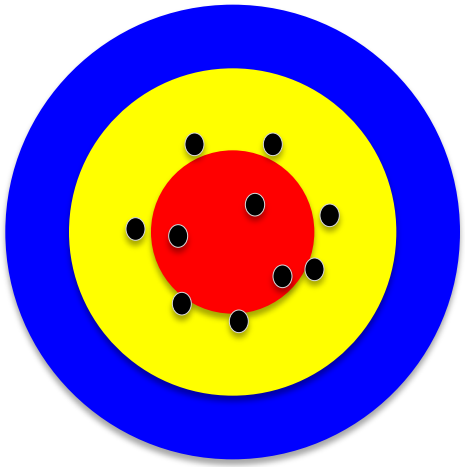
Overfitting vs. Underfitting

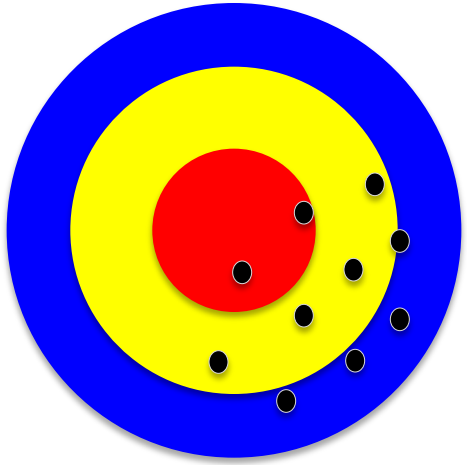






Overfitting **Underfitting** **Good Balance**





Bias vs. Variance

Low Variance

High Variance

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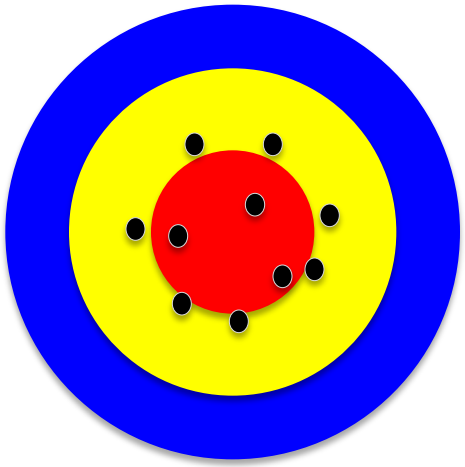

High Bias
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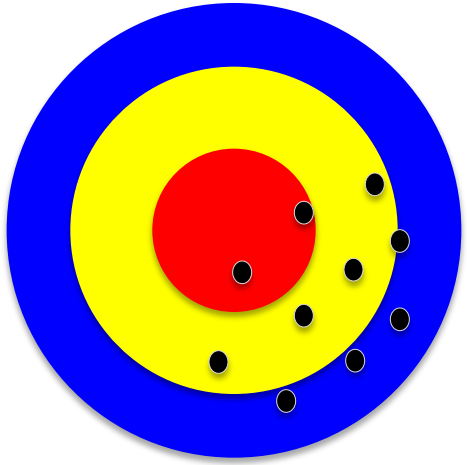

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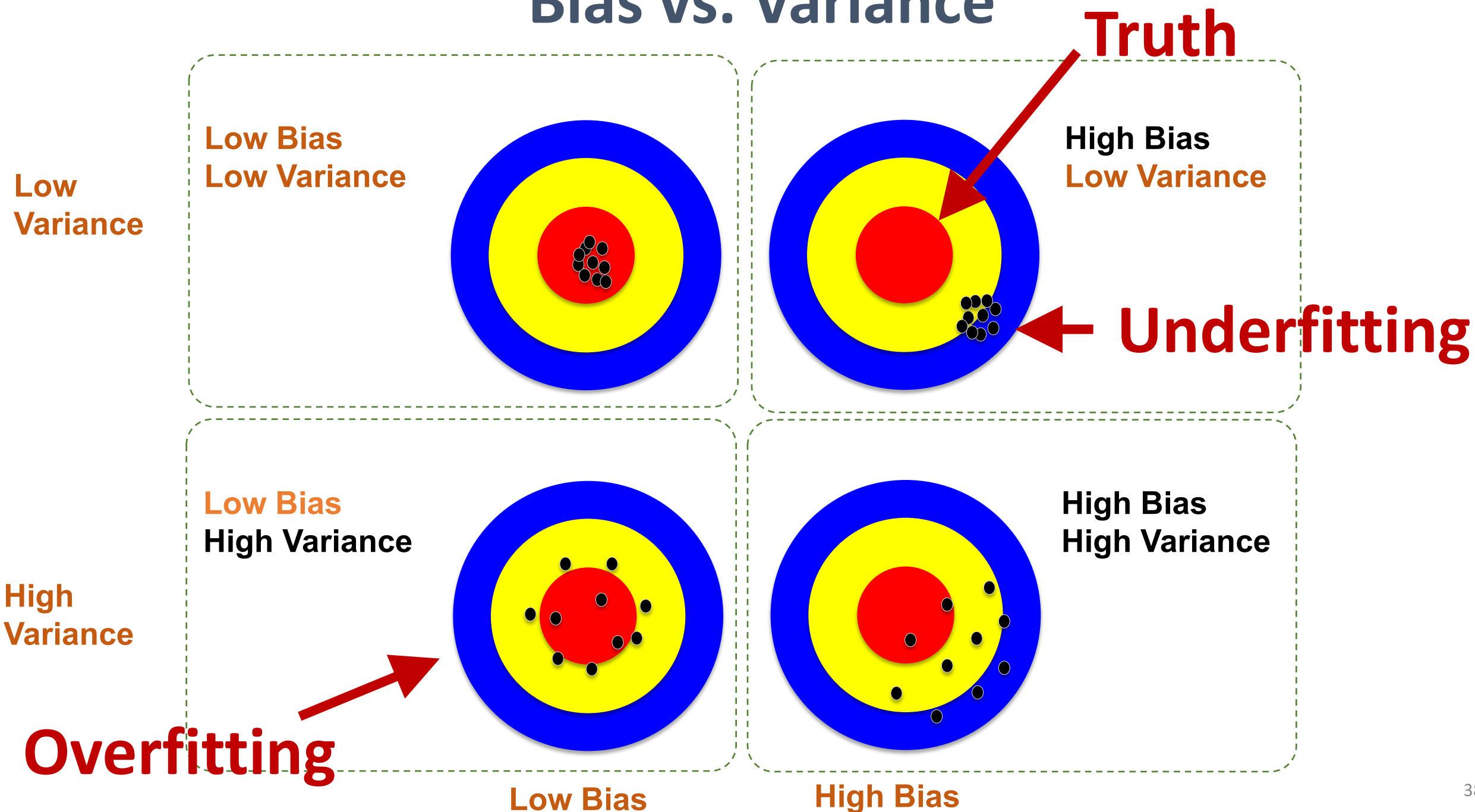

Bias vs. Variance

Low Variance

High Variance

Low Bias

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A

Low Bias
Low Variance

High Accuracy
High Precision

B

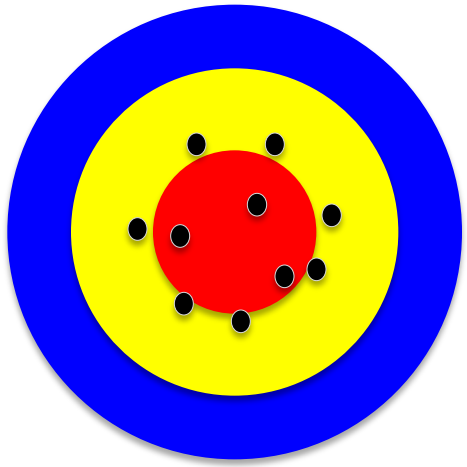
High Bias
Low Variance

Low Accuracy
High Precision

C

Low Bias
High Variance

High Accuracy
Low Precision



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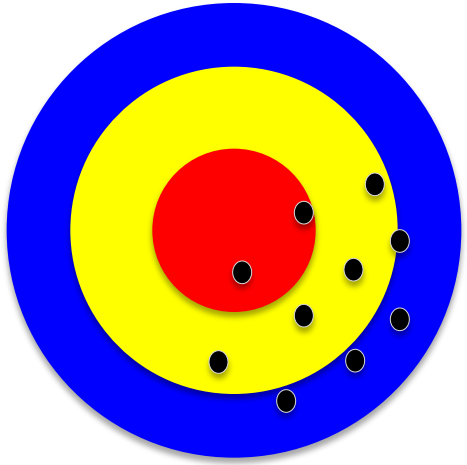

High Bias
High Variance

Low Accuracy
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Accuracy vs. Precision

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High Accuracy
High Precision

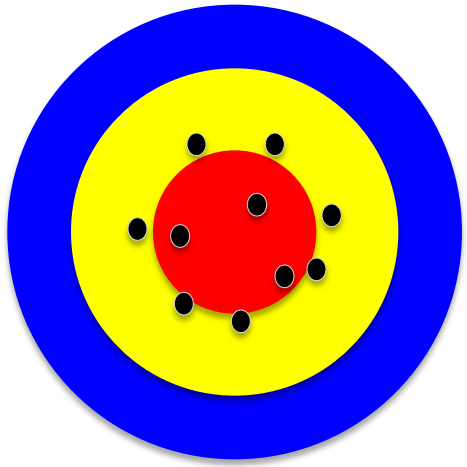
High Validity
High Reliability

B

Low Accuracy
High Precision

Low Validity
High Reliability

C



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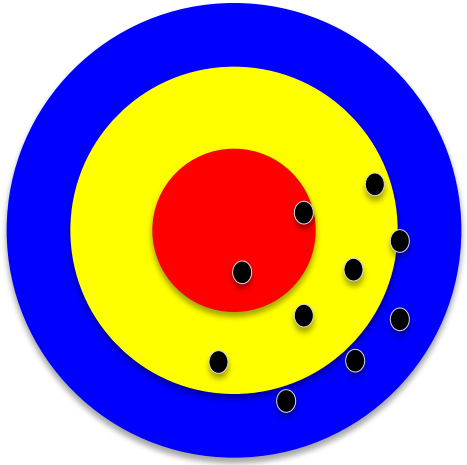

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Accuracy (Validity) vs. Precision (Reliability)

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High Precision

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B

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High Precision

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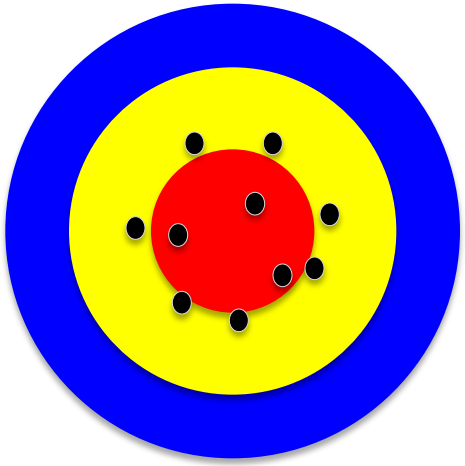

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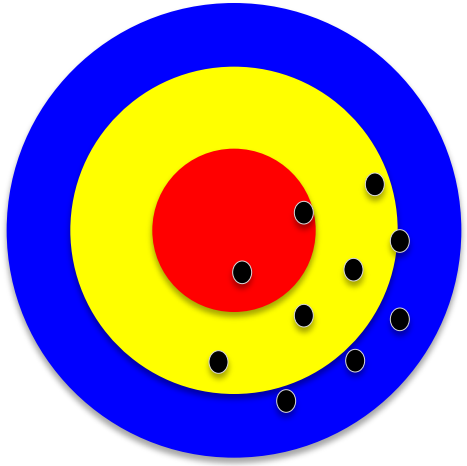

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Learning Theory

- **PAC Learning**:
  - Focuses on **generalization**
- **VC Dimension**:
  - Measures model capacity and impacts **generalization**
- **Bias-Variance Trade-off**:
  - Helps in **model selection** and **tuning**

Ensemble Learning

Ensemble Learning

- **Select a collection, or ensemble,**
  of hypotheses, $h_1, h_2, \ldots, h_n$
  , and combine their predictions
  by averaging, voting, or
  by another level of machine learning.

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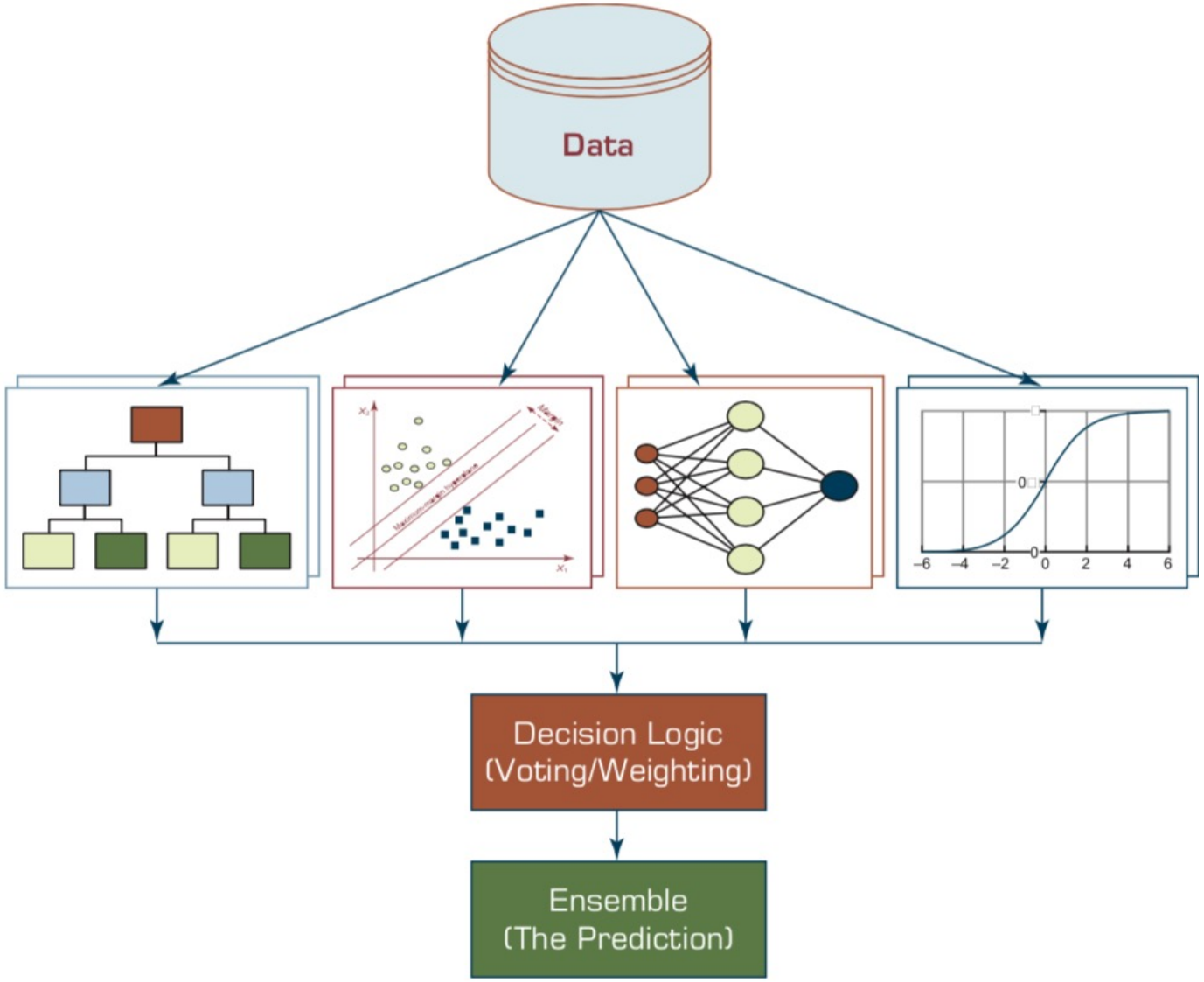
Ensemble Models
Heterogeneous Ensemble



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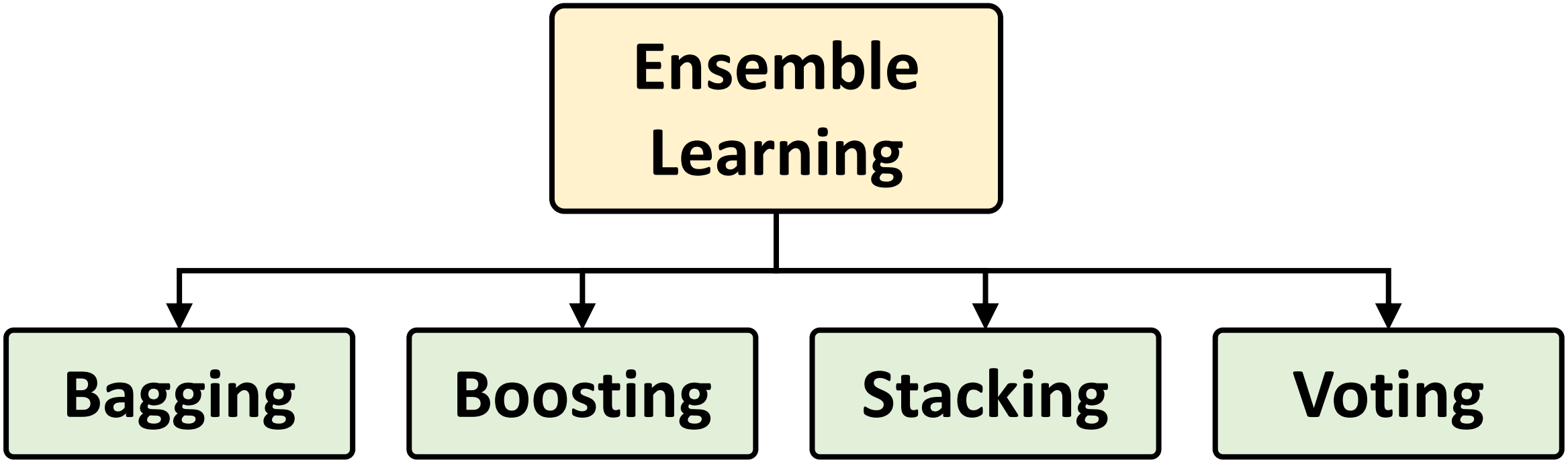
Ensemble Learning:
Bagging, Boosting, Stacking, Voting



Ensemble Learning

- Base model
  - individual hypotheses
  - $h_1, h_2, \ldots, h_n$
- Ensemble model
  - hypotheses combination

Why Ensemble Learning

- **Reduce bias**
- **Reduce variance**

Ensemble Learning

- Bagging
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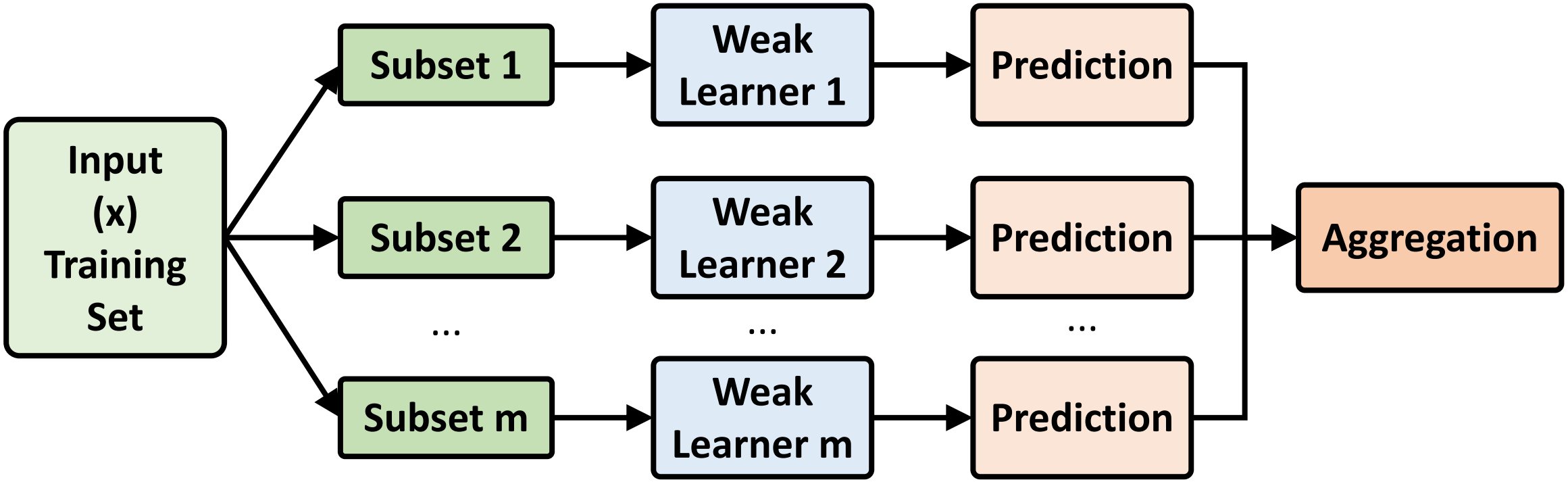
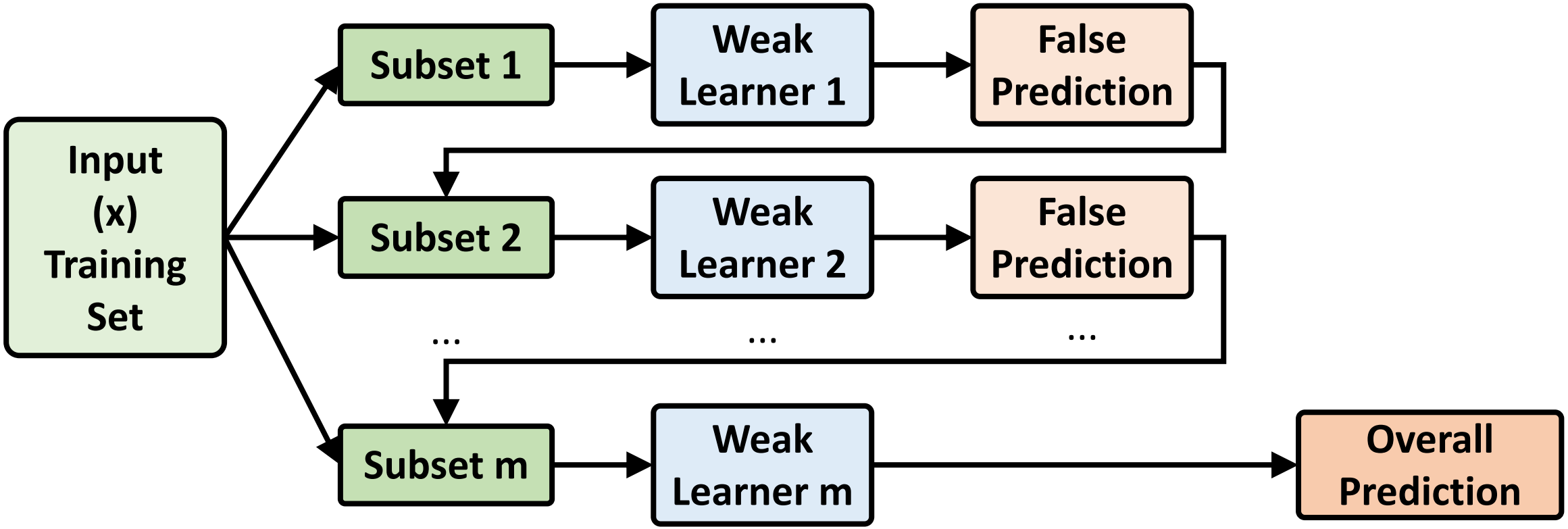
Ensemble Learning:
Bagging (Bootstrap Aggregation)



Bootstrap
Samples

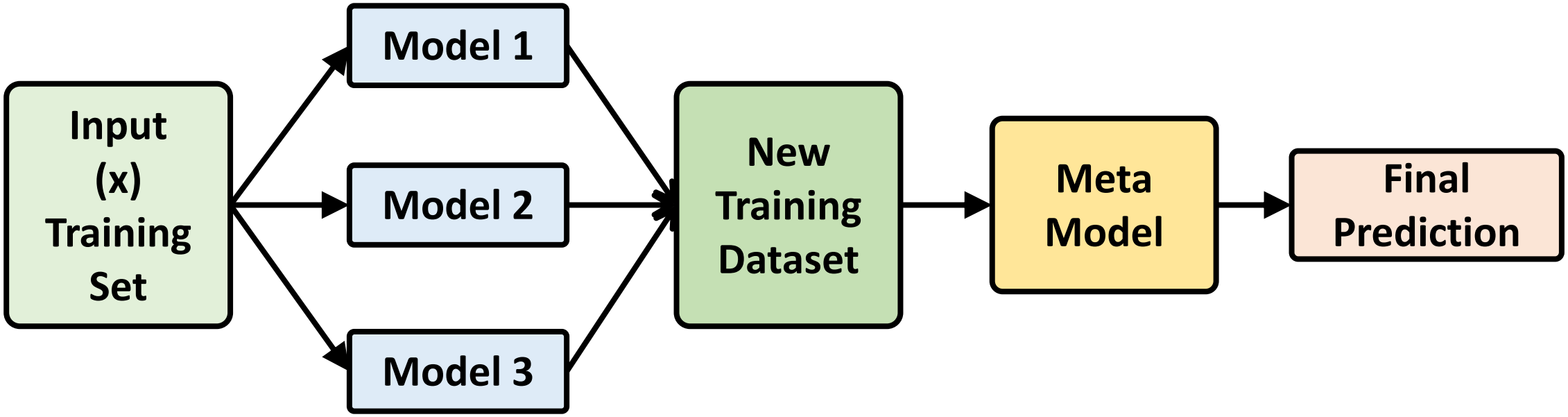
Parallel

Ensemble Learning: Boosting



Sequential

Ensemble Learning: Stacking



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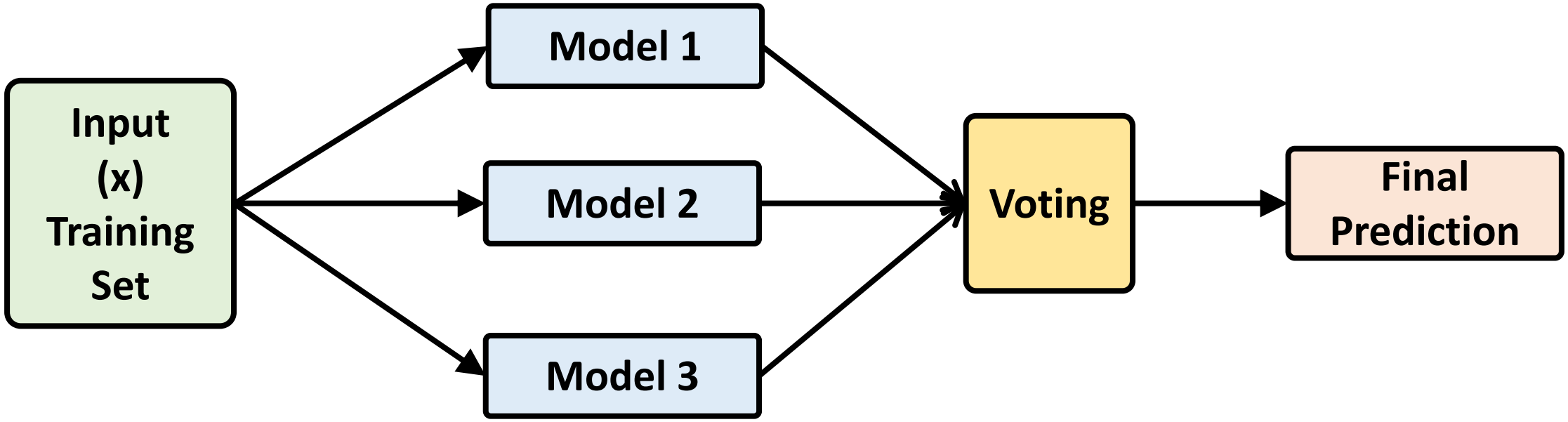


Ensemble Learning: Bagging

- **Bagging**
  - **Generate distinct training sets by sampling with replacement from the original training set.**
- **Classification:**
  - **Plurality Vote (Majority Vote)**
- **Regression:**
  - **Average**

Ensemble Learning: Random forests

- **Random forest model is a form of decision tree bagging in which we take extra steps to make the ensemble of trees more diverse, to reduce variance.**
- **The key idea is to randomly vary the attribute choices (rather than the training examples)**

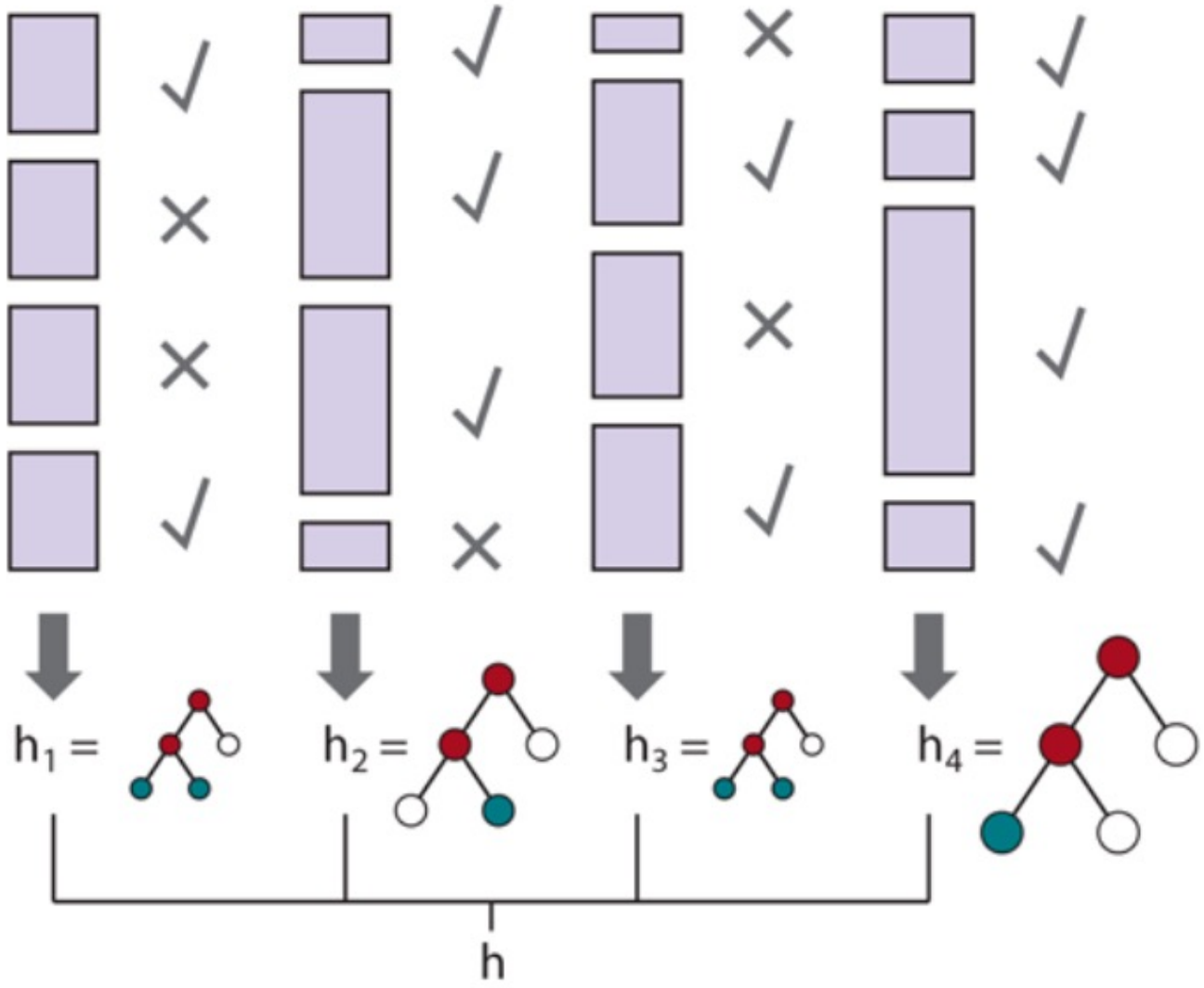
Ensemble Learning: Random forests

- **Extremely randomized trees (ExtraTrees)**
  - **Use randomness in selecting the split point value**
  - **for each selected attribute, we randomly sample several candidate values from a uniform distribution over the attribute's range**

Ensemble Learning: Boosting

- **Boosting**
  - **The most popular ensemble method**
- **Weighted training set**

Ensemble Learning: Boosting



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Ensemble Learning: Gradient boosting

- **Gradient boosting**
  - **Gradient boosting is a form of boosting using gradient descent**
- **Gradient boosting machines (GBM)**
- **Gradient boosted regression trees (GBRT)**
- **Popular method for regression and classification of factored tabular data**

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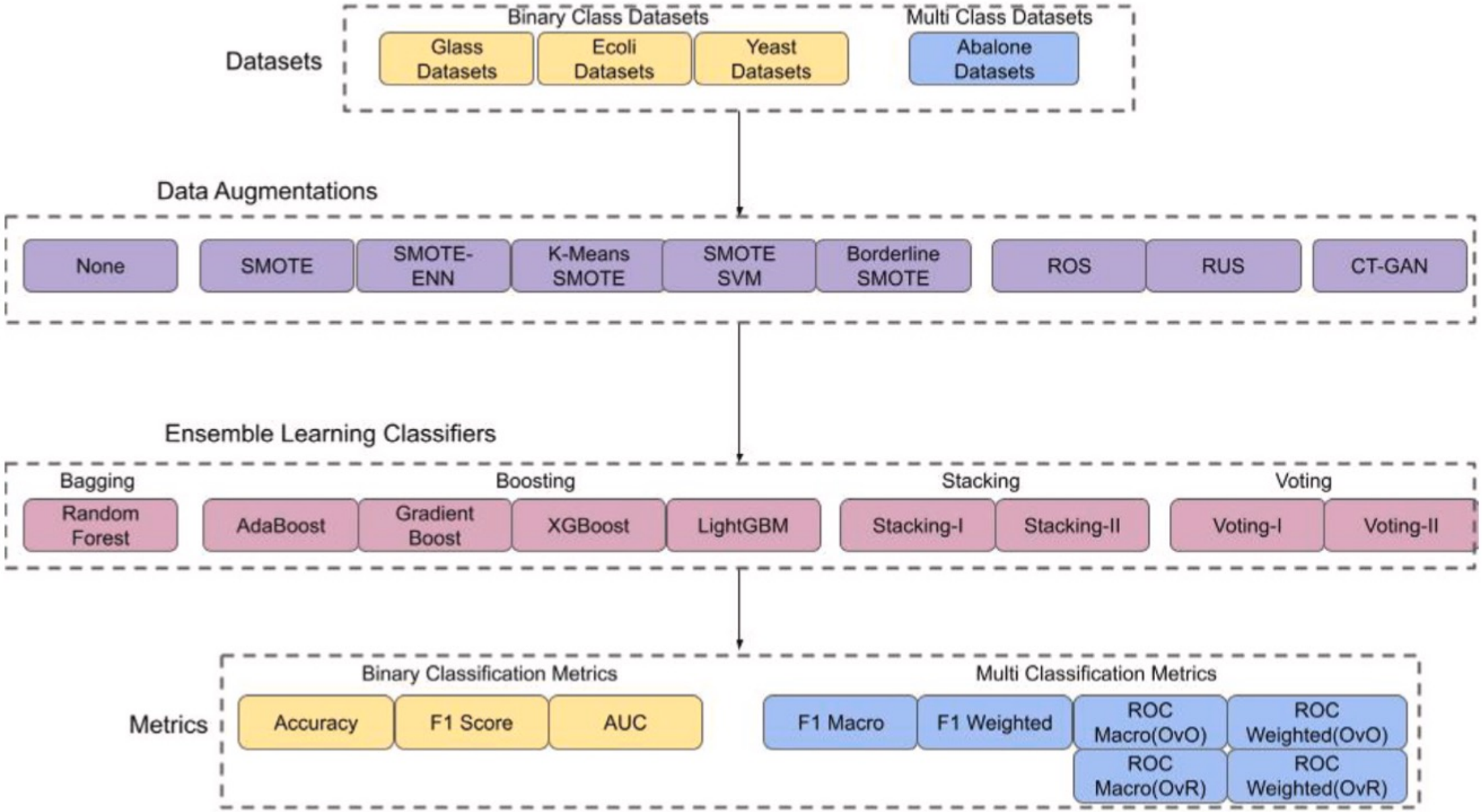
Ensemble Learning: Stacking

- **Staking**
  - **Stacked generalization combines multiple base models from different model classes trained on the same data.**
- **Bagging**
  - **Combines multiple base models of the same model class trained on different data.**

Ensemble Learning: Online learning

- **Online learning**
  - **Data are not i.i.d. (independent and identically distributed)**
  - **An agent receives an input x_i from nature, predicts the corresponding y_i and then is told the correct answer.**

Ensemble Learning and Data Augmentations (DA)



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ML Evaluation of Imbalanced Dataset: Ensemble Learning and Data Augmentations (DA)

Data augmentation	Ensemble model	Accuracy (Best, Std)	F1 (Best, Std)	AUC (Best, Std)
Yeast-v6				
Borderline-SMOTE	LightGBM	98.490(98.653, 0.150)	99.230(99.314, 0.077)	76.668(76.751, 0.077)
No augmentation	Stacking-I	98.185(98.653, 0.320)	99.076(99.315, 0.165)	69.757(76.579, 3.658)
SVM-SMOTE	AdaBoost	98.072(98.653, 0.466)	99.015(99.314, 0.240)	75.577(80.253, 2.014)
ROS	Stacking-I	97.997(98.822, 0.415)	98.977(99.401, 0.214)	74.884(76.837, 2.607)
Borderline-SMOTE	Voting-Soft	97.949(98.653, 0.501)	98.951(99.314, 0.259)	75.854(80.253, 1.923)
ROS	XGBoost	97.866(98.485, 0.303)	98.908(99.227, 0.157)	76.348(76.665, 0.155)
SMOTE	Stacking-II	97.539(98.485, 0.708)	98.737(99.227, 0.370)	77.385(83.841, 2.273)
SMOTE	Voting-Hard	97.386(98.485, 0.707)	98.657(99.227, 0.370)	77.607(83.841, 2.492)
SMOTE-ENN	Random Forests	92.917(97.306, 1.932)	96.273(98.618, 1.048)	73.380(78.962, 1.694)
RUS	Stacking-II	87.345(94.444, 3.405)	93.087(97.093, 2.014)	81.085(88.581, 3.112)

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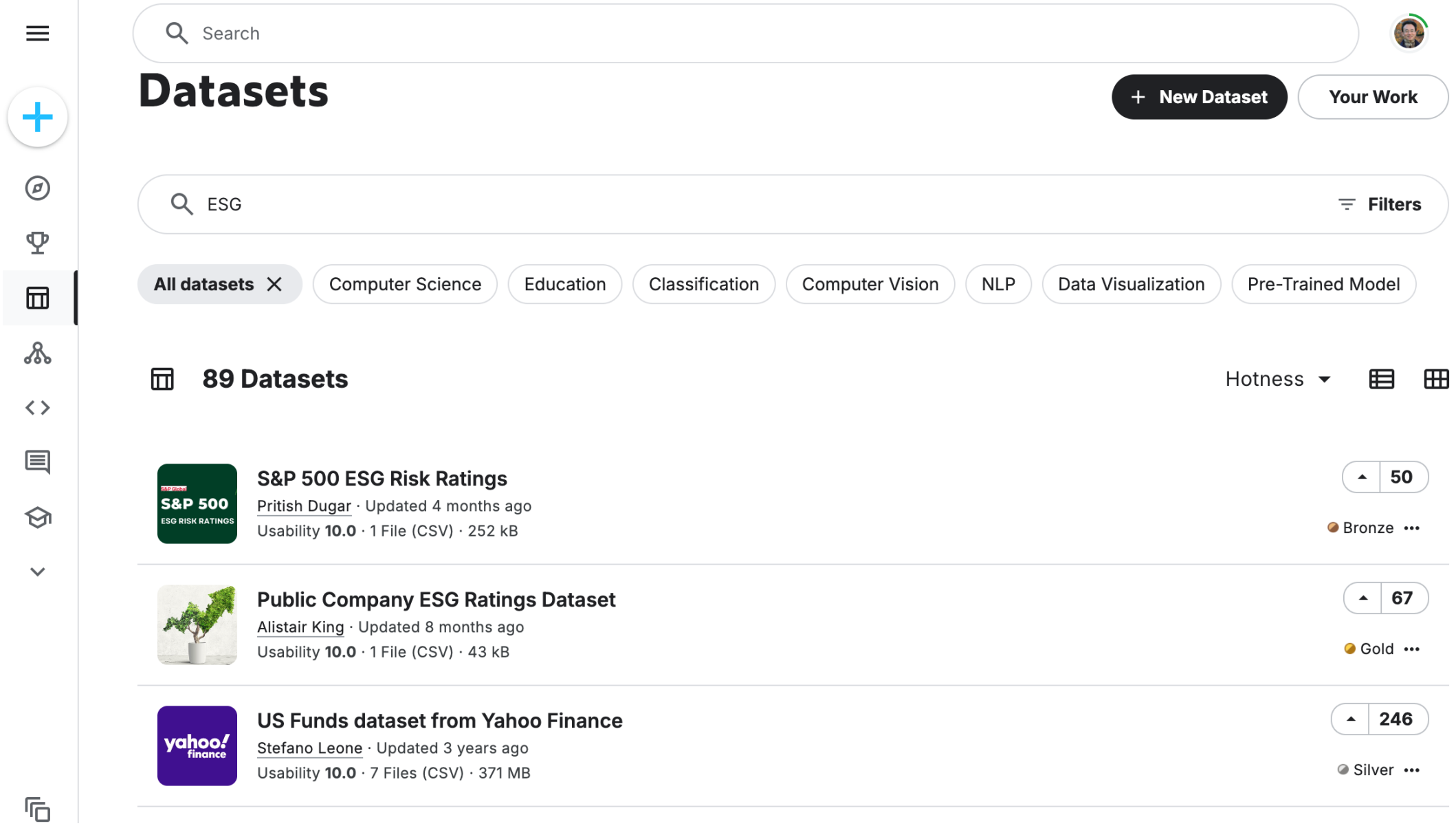
Kaggle Datasets for Machine Learning



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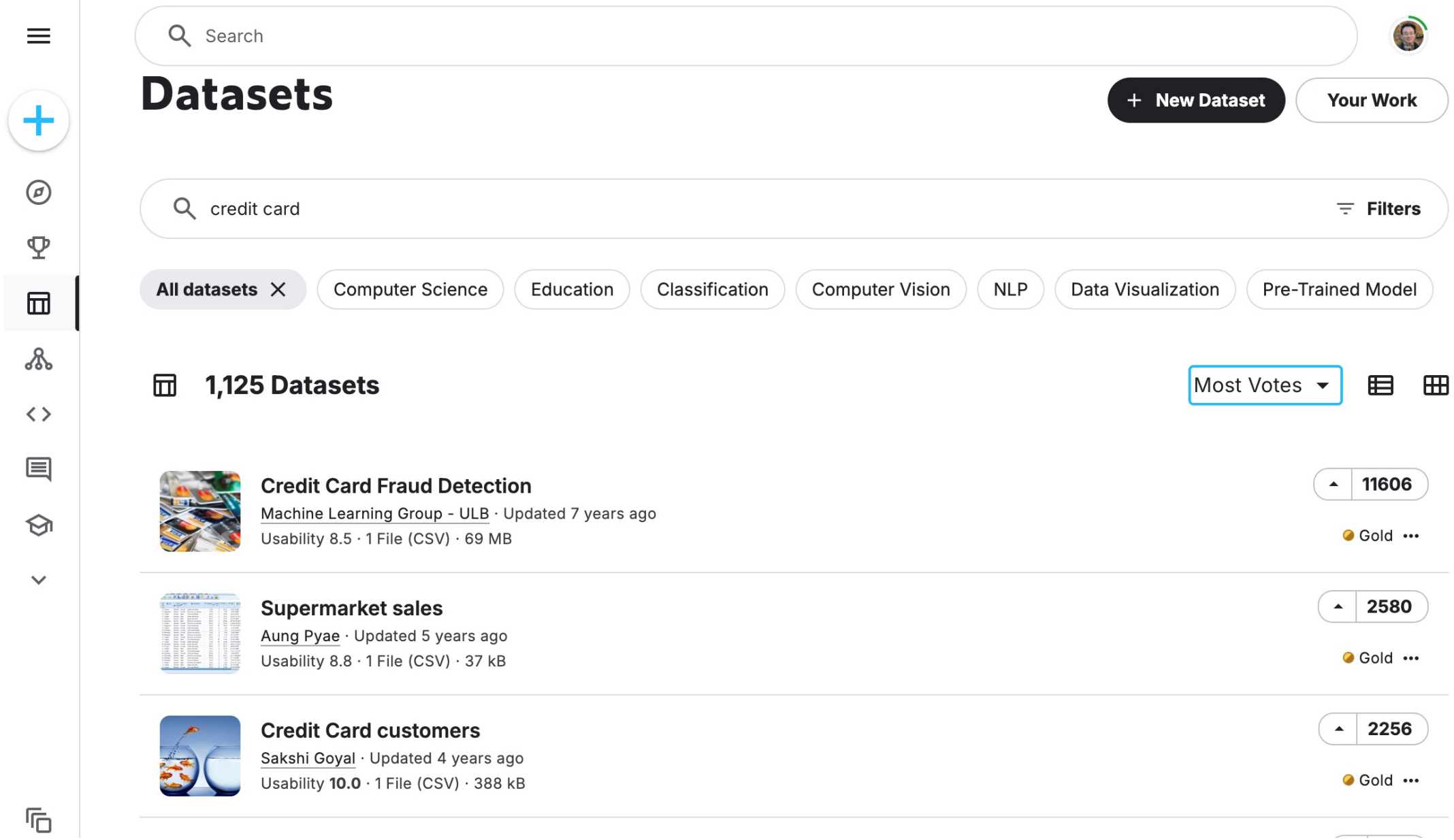

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Kaggle Datasets: Credit Card Fraud Detection

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Credit Card Fraud Detection

Anonymized credit card transactions labeled as fraudulent or genuine

Data Card | Code (4966) | Discussion (107) | Suggestions (0)

About Dataset

Context

It is important that credit card companies are able to recognize fraudulent credit card transactions so that customers are not charged for items that they did not purchase.

Content

The dataset contains transactions made by credit cards in September 2013 by European cardholders.

Usability
8.53

License
Database: Open Database, Cont...

Expected update frequency
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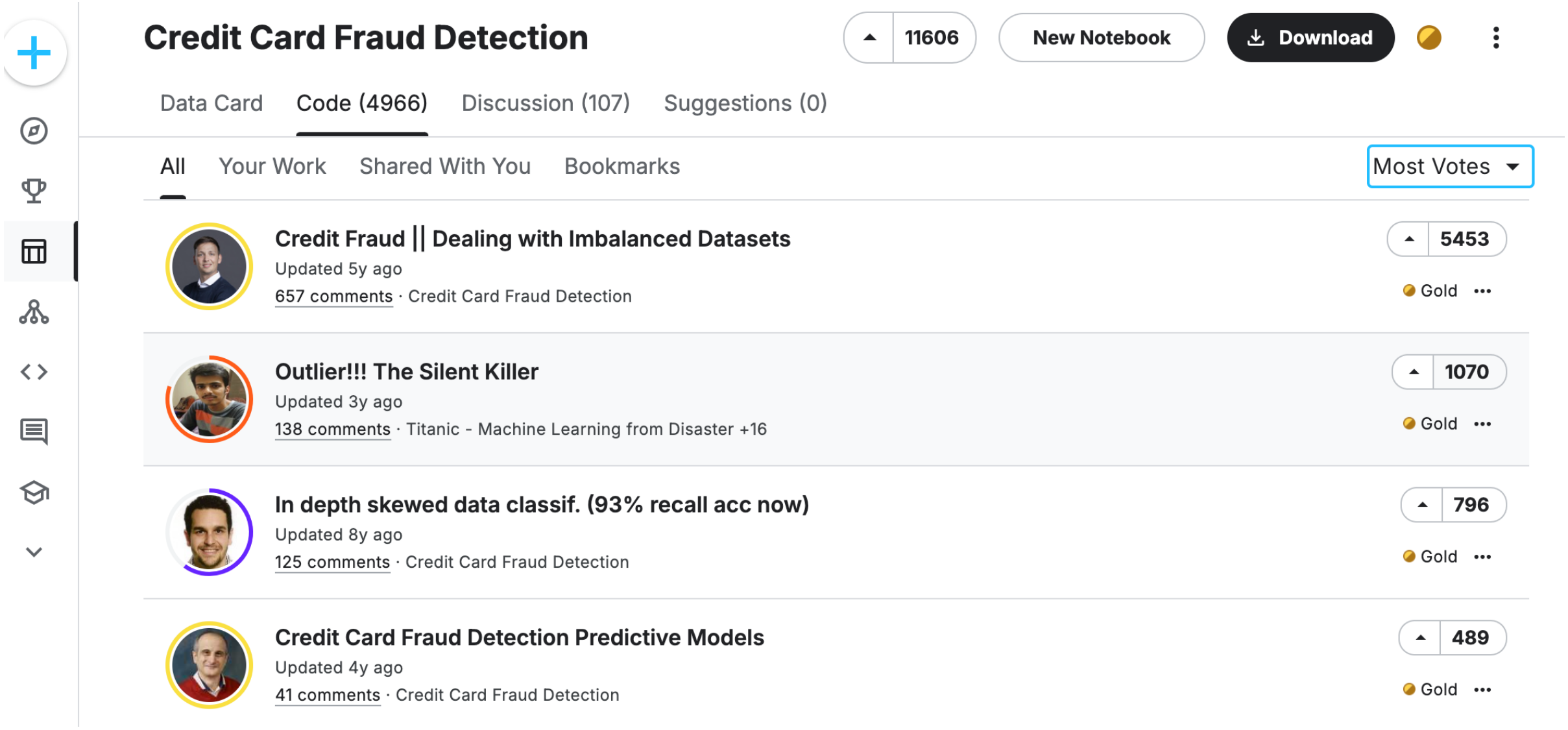

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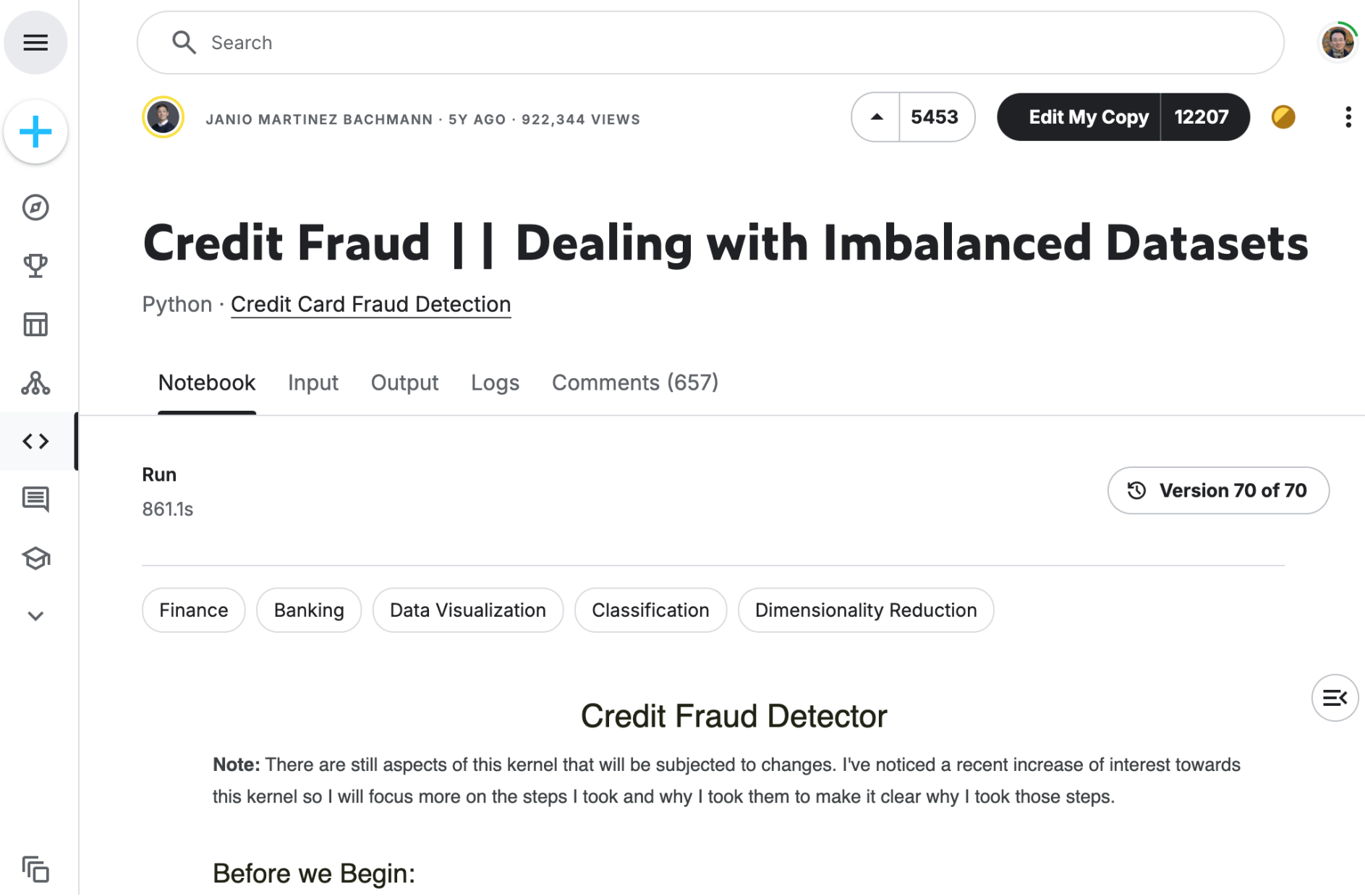

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Meta Learning: Learning to Learn

Deep Learning
Transfer Learning
Few-Shot Learning
Meta Learning

Deep Learning, Transfer Learning, Few-Shot Learning, Meta Learning

- Deep Learning
  - Transfer Learning
    - Pre-training, Fine-Tuning (FT)
- Meta Learning: Learning to Learn
- Few-Shot Learning (FSL)
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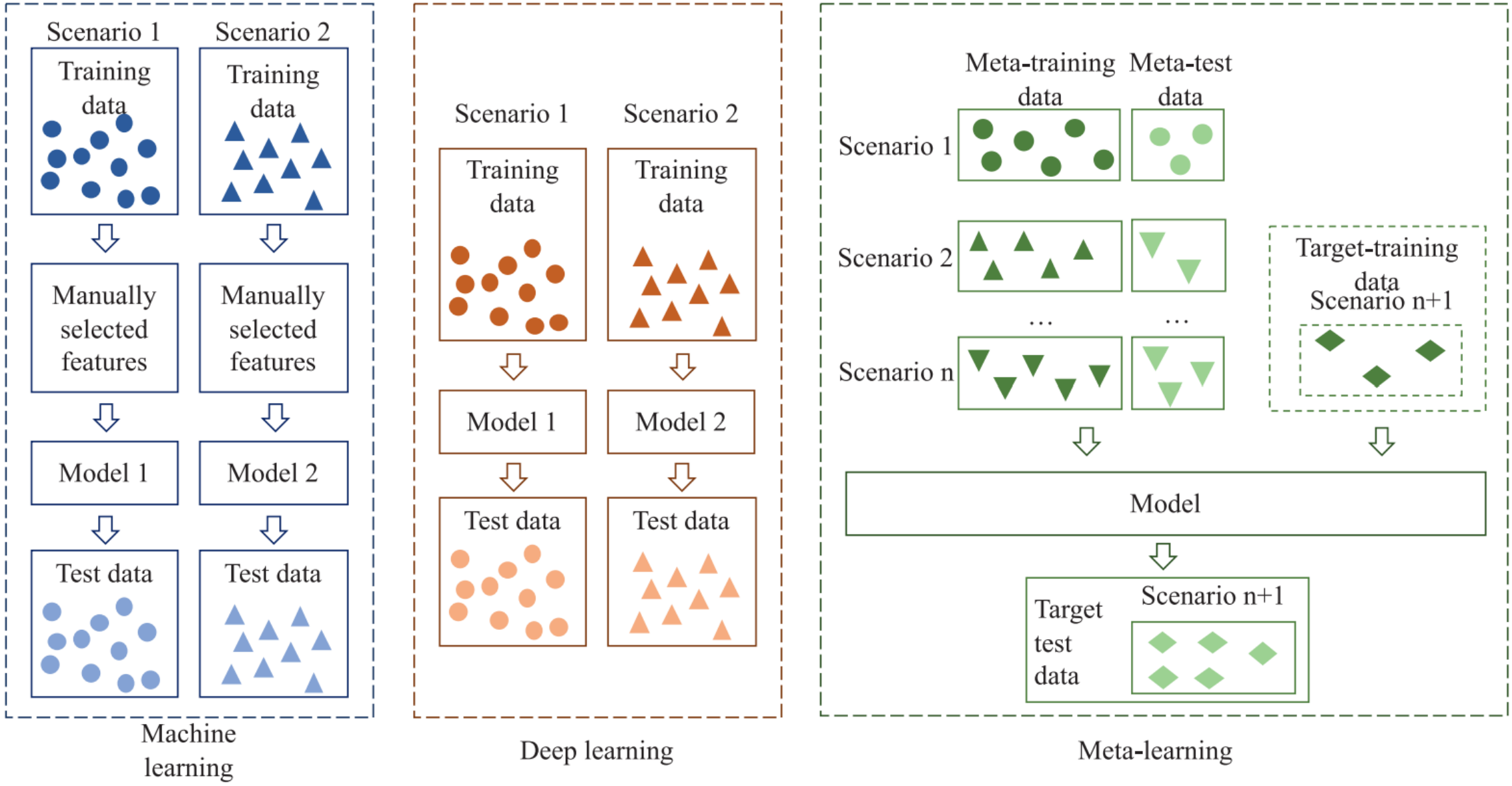
- Zero-Shot Learning (0SL)(ZSL)

Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Meta Learning



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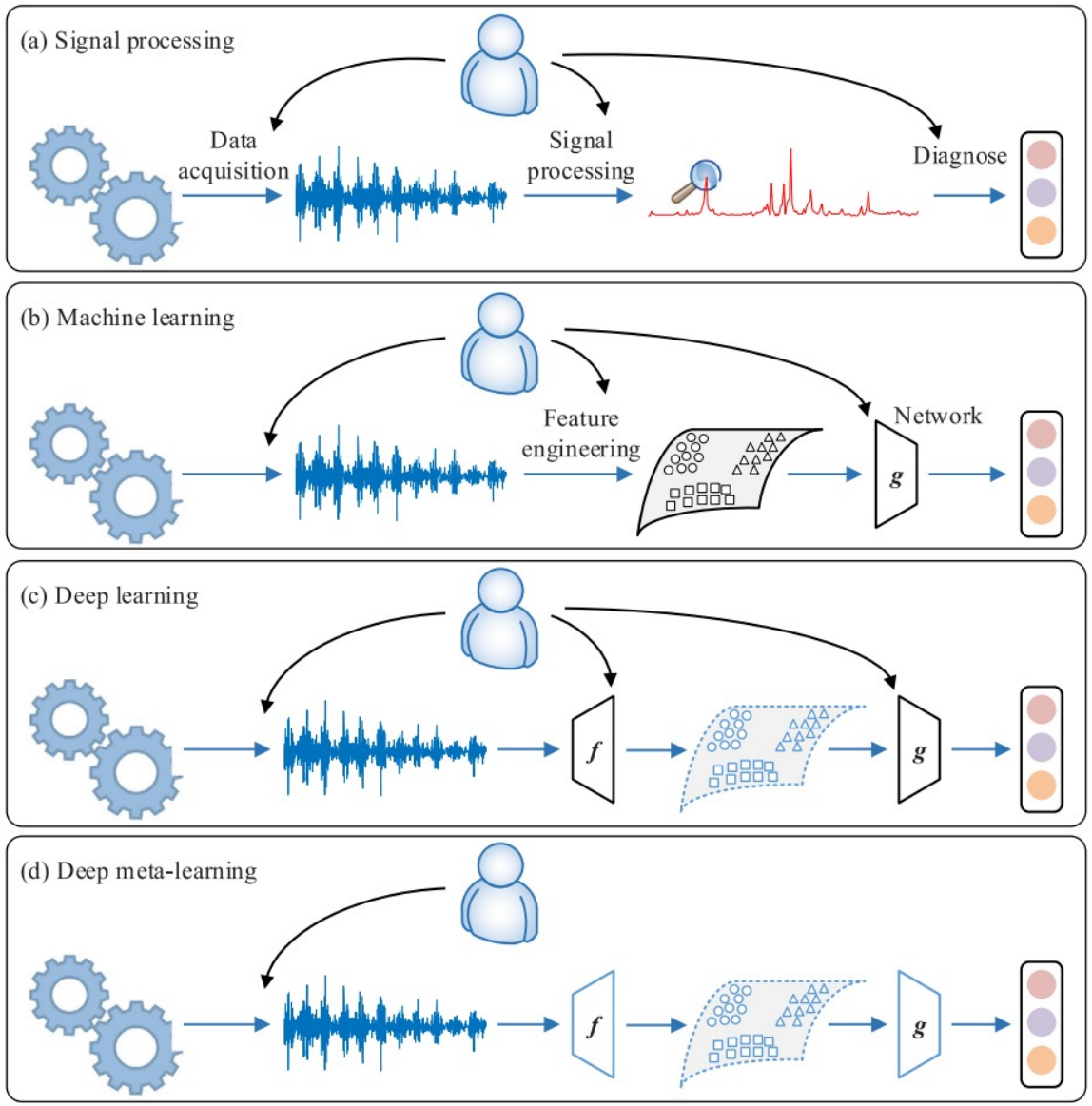

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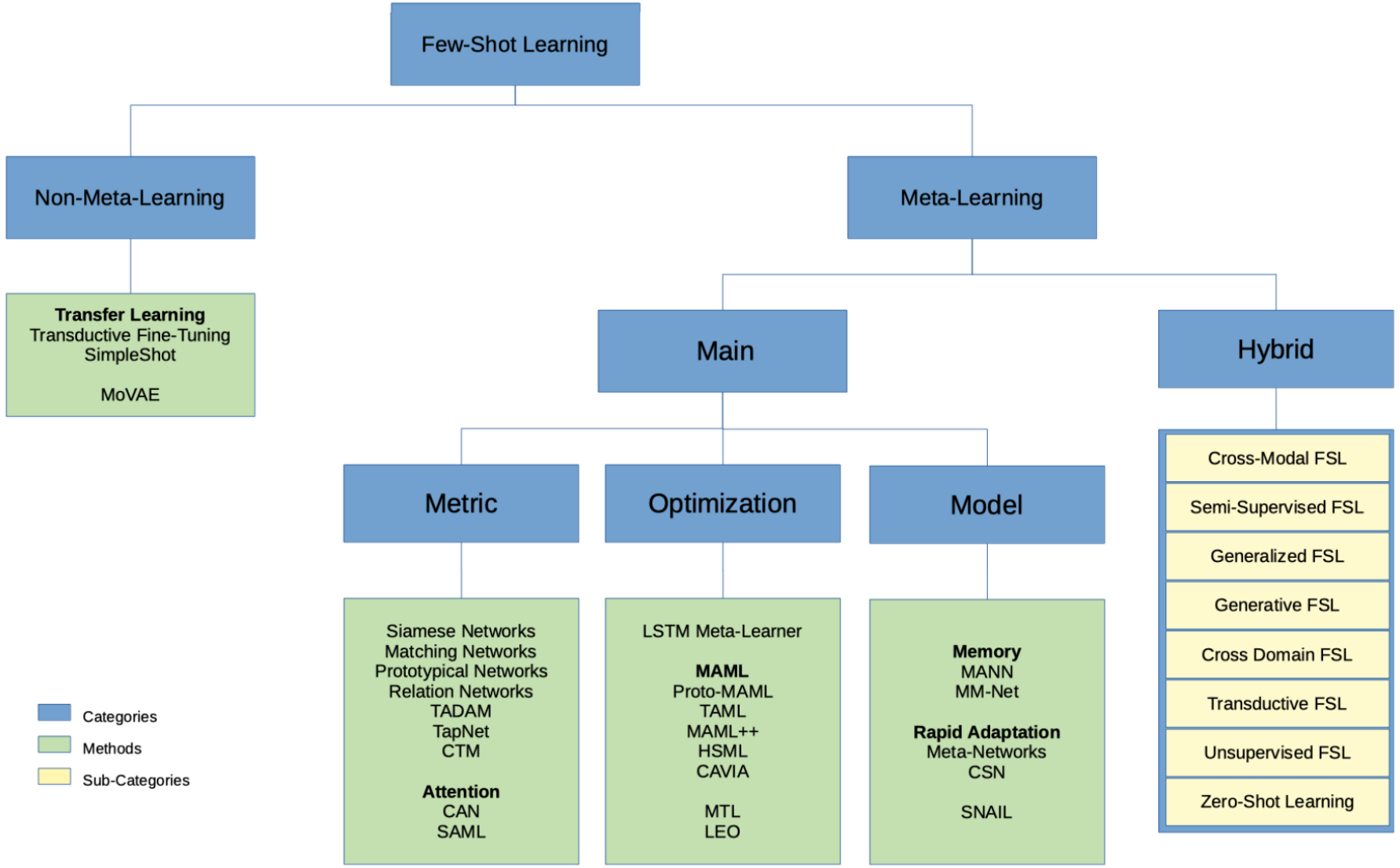
Few-Shot Learning (FSL) and Meta Learning

Machine learning from few training examples



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Meta Learning, Transfer Learning, Ensemble Learning, Continual Learning, Multi-Task Learning

Features	Method					
	Meta-learning	Transfer learning	Ensemble learning	Continual learning	Multi-task learning	Hierarchical Bayesian models
Learning from prior experience	√	√	✗	√	✗	√
Relationship between source tasks	No limitation	Related	Same	Task streams	Related	Related
Relationship between source tasks and target tasks	No limitation	Related	Same	Related	Related	Related
Considering the requirements of the target task	√	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗

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Meta-Learning and Few-shot Learning
Notations and Terms

Optimization-based Meta-learning

Notation A	Term A
$\mathcal{D}_i^{train}$	Training set for task $\mathcal{T}_i$
$\mathcal{D}_i^{test}$	Test set for task $\mathcal{T}_i$
$\mathcal{D}_{meta-train}$	Meta-training set
$\mathcal{D}_{meta-test}$	Meta-testing set

Metric-based Meta-learning

Notation B	Term B
S_i	Support Set for task $\mathcal{T}_i$
Q_i	Query Set for task $\mathcal{T}_i$
$\mathcal{D}_{train}$	Training Set
$\mathcal{D}_{test}$	Test Set

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Meta-Learning Symbols

Symbol	Meaning
$\mathcal{T}_i$	Task i
$\mathcal{L}$	Loss function
(x_k, y_k)	Input-Output pair
f_θ	Model (function) with parameters θ
g_{θ_1}	Embedding function
d_{θ_2} or d	Distance function
g_ϕ	Meta-Learning model with parameters ϕ
$P_\theta(y\|x)$	Output probability of y for input x using model parameters θ
$k_\theta(x_1, x_2)$	Kernel function measuring similarity between two vectors x_1 and x_2
σ	Softmax function
α, β	Learning rates
w	Weights
$\mathbf{v}_c$	Prototype of class c
C	Set of classes present in S
S^c	Subset of S containing all elements (x_k, y_k) such that $y_k = c$
$\oplus$	Concatenation operator
B	Number of batches (X_b, Y_b) sampled in inner-loop for a randomly sampled task $\mathcal{T}_i$
I	Number of tasks $\mathcal{T}_i$ sampled in inner-loop
J	Number of outer-loop iterations

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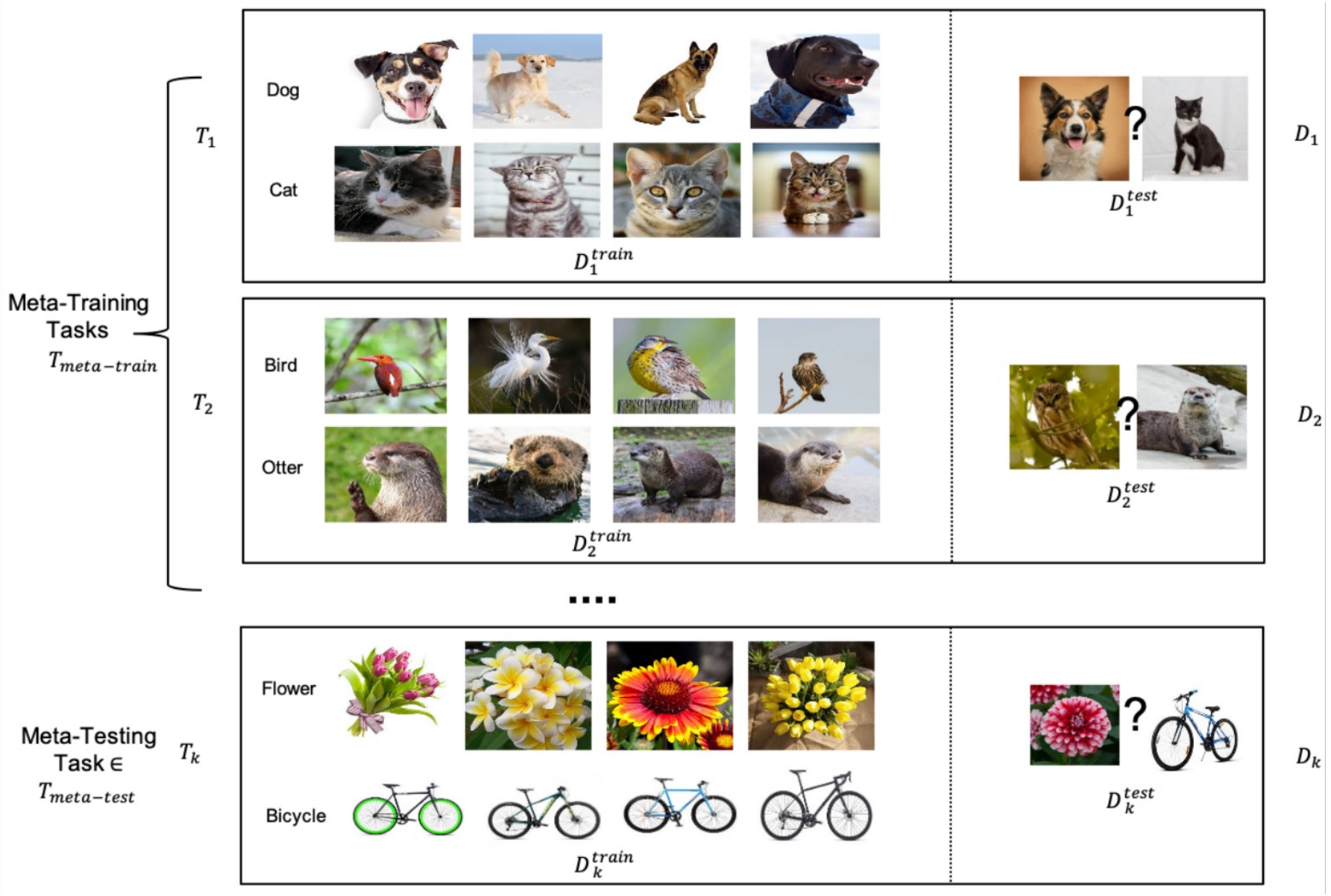
Meta-Learning Example Setup



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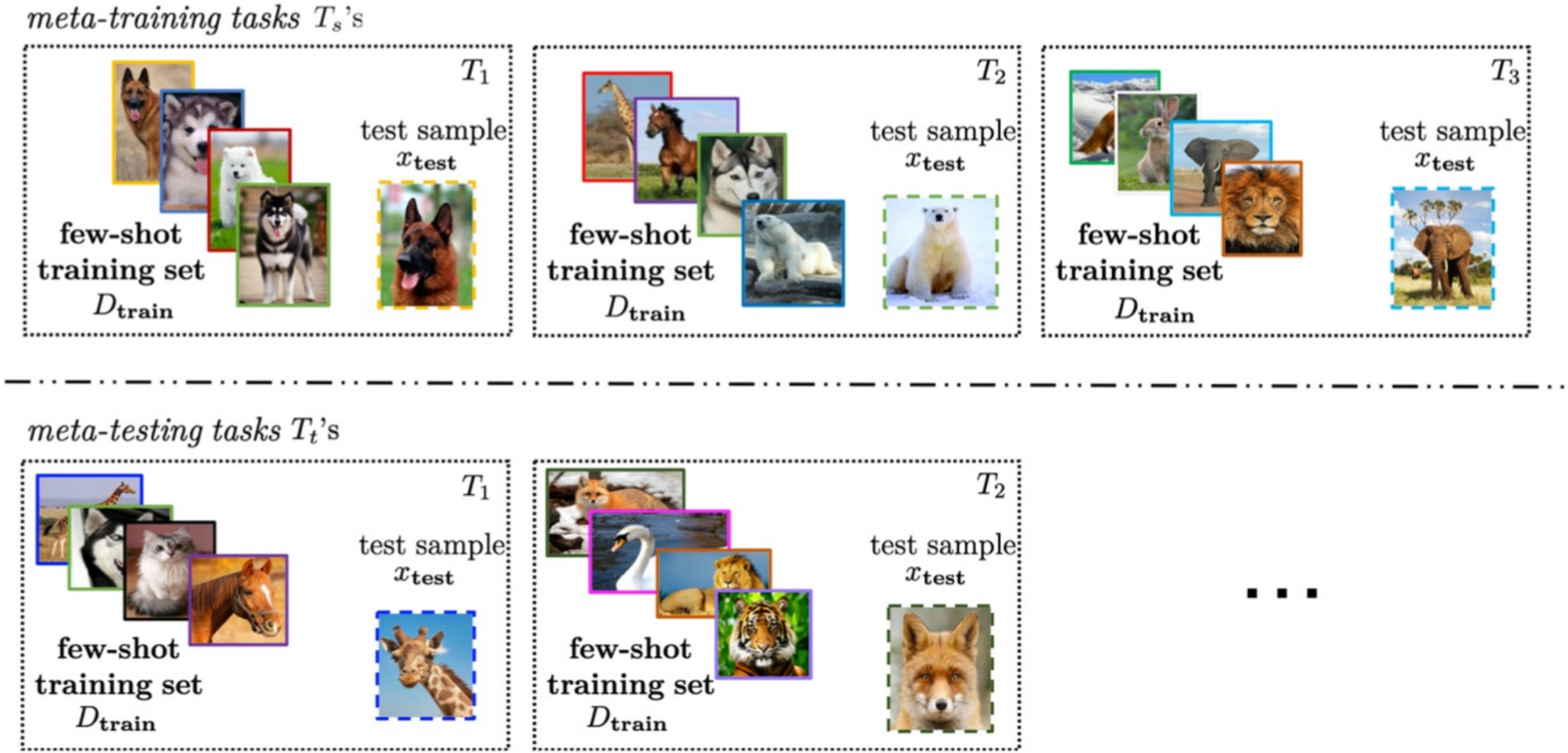
Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Solving the FSL problem by meta-learning



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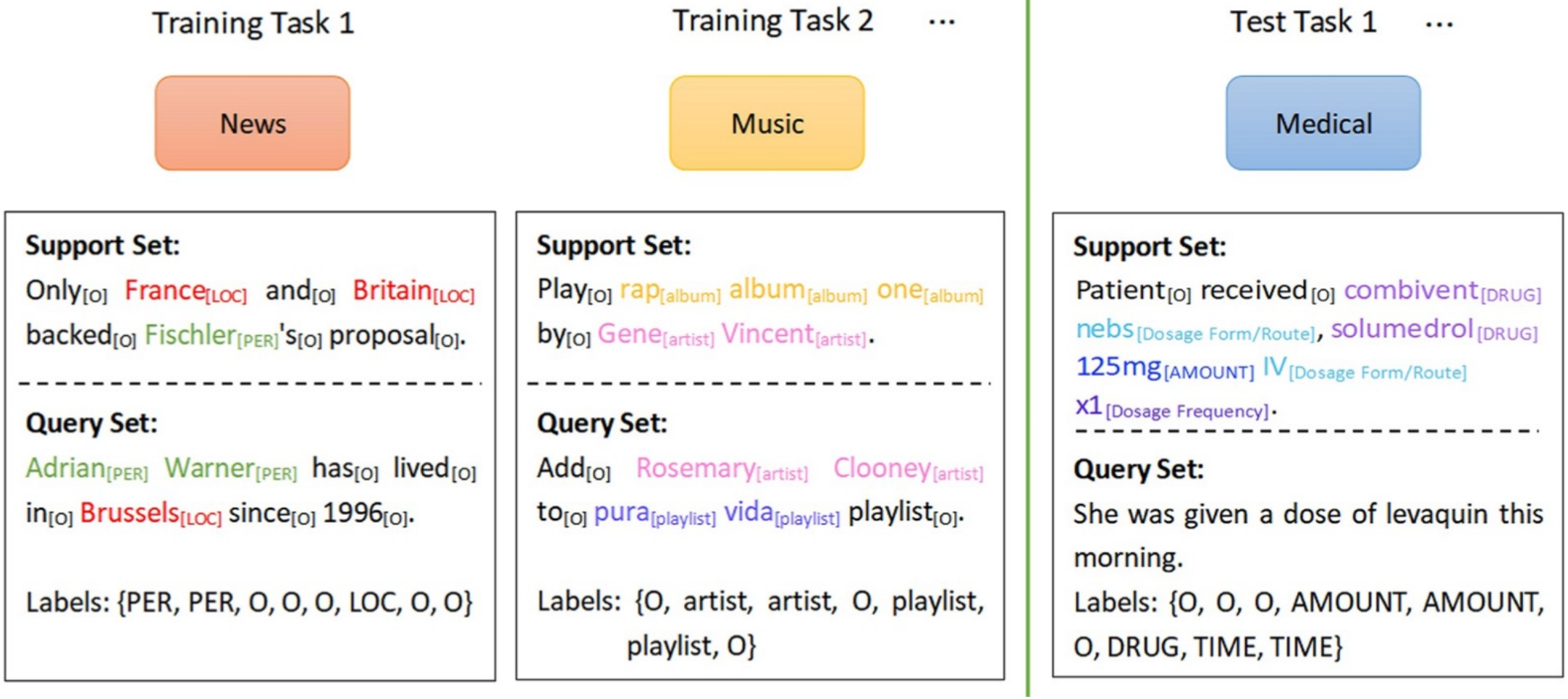
Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Meta-learning

Each task mimics the few-shot scenario, and can be completely non-overlapping.
Support sets are used to train; query sets are used to evaluate the model



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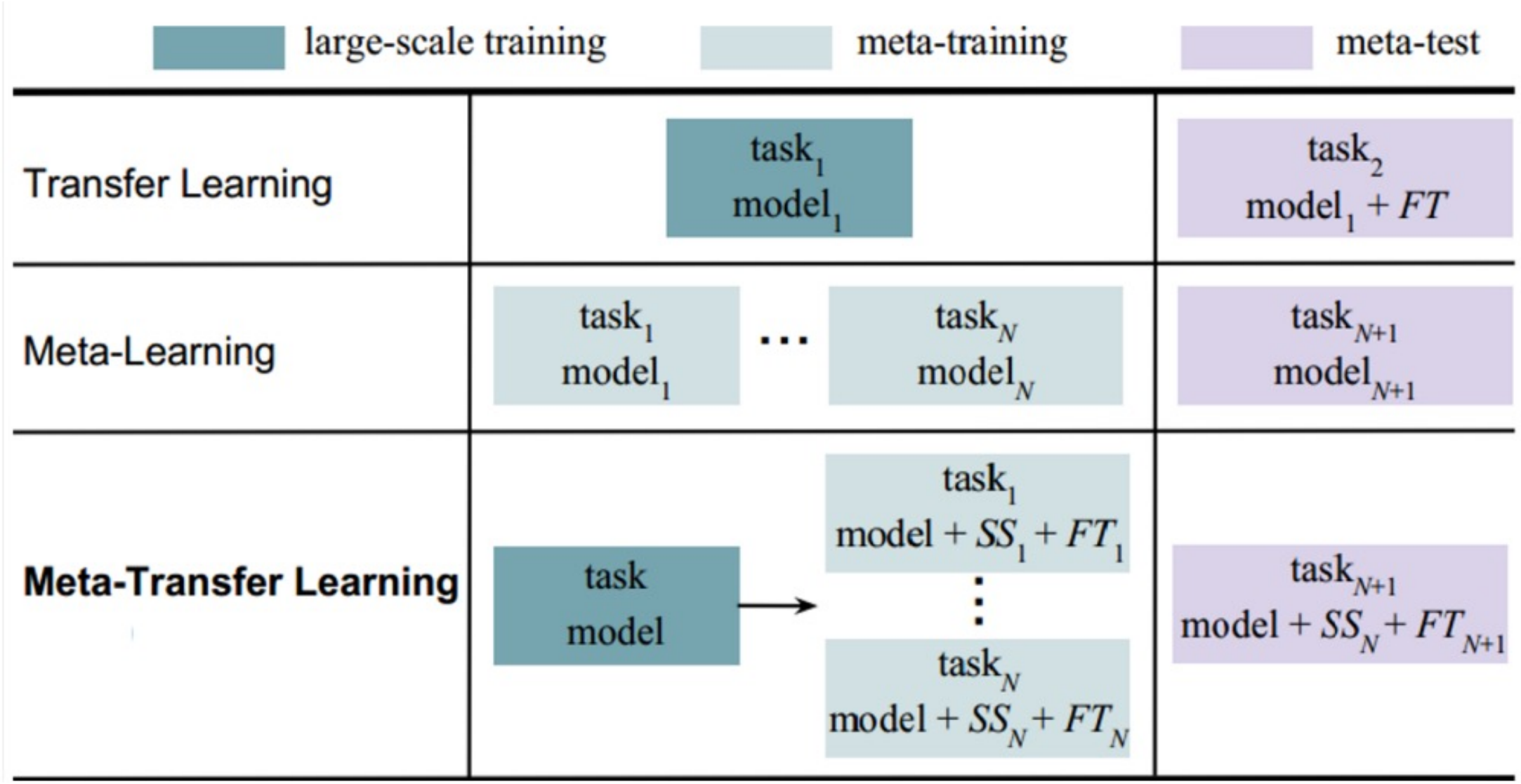
Meta-Task Learning (MTL)

Transfer Learning Strategy for Meta-Learning



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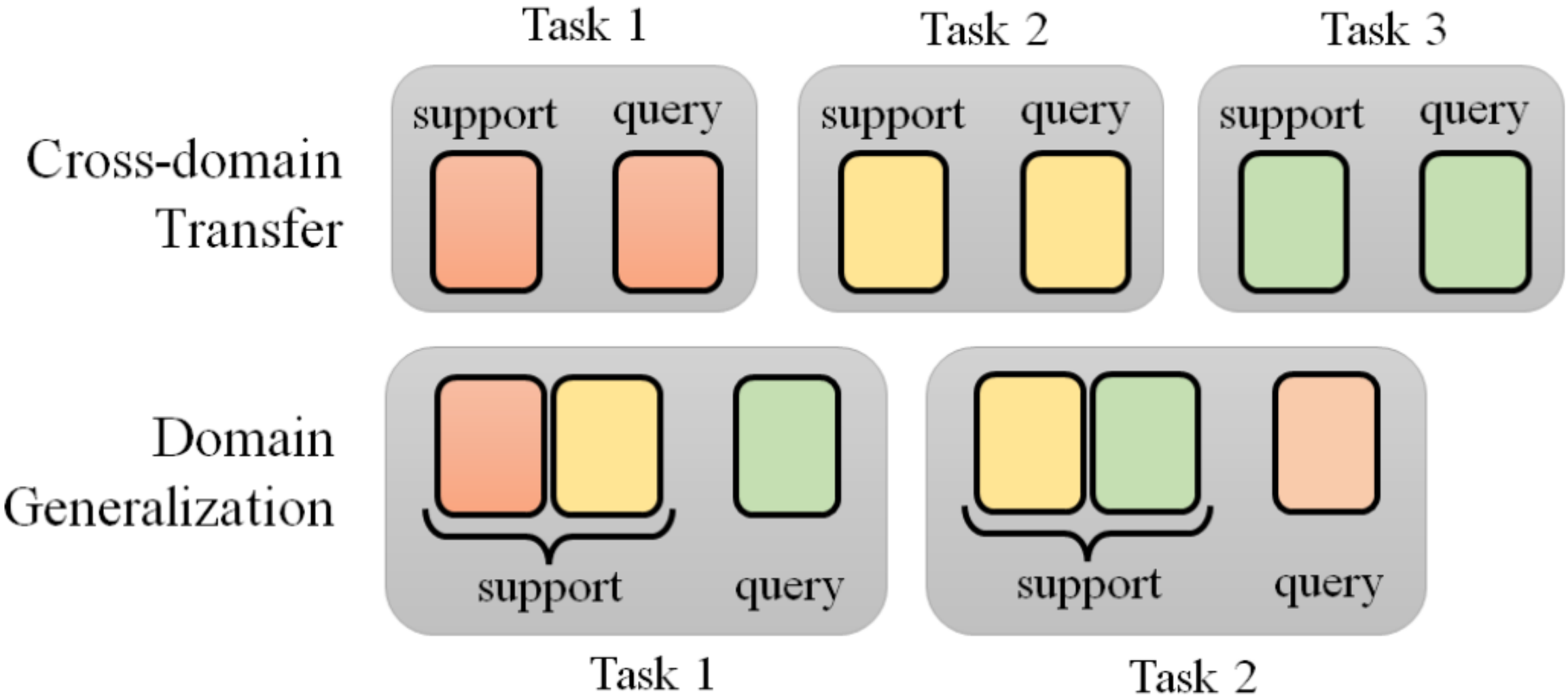
Meta Learning

The task construction of cross-domain transfer and domain generalization



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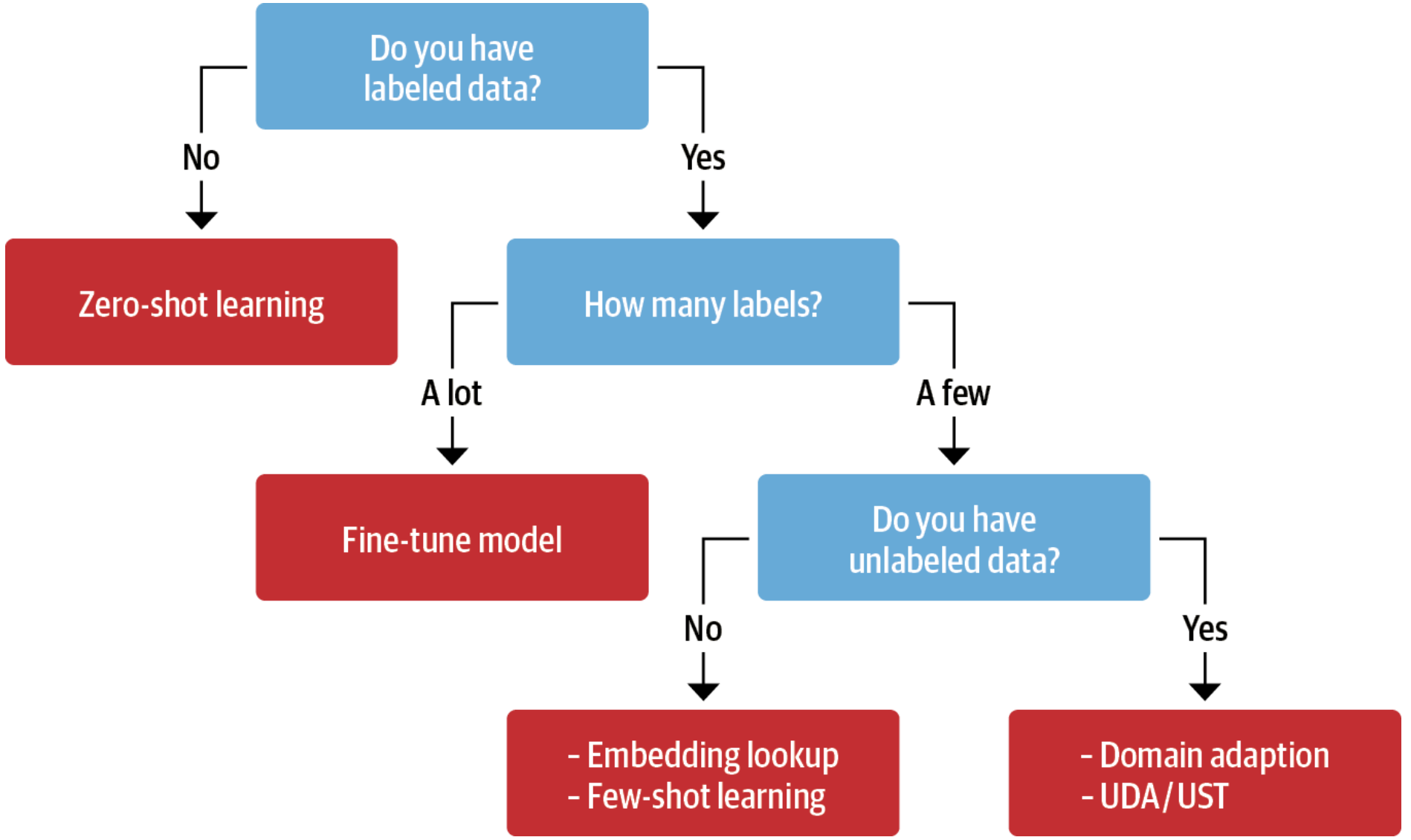
Transfer Learning, Fine-tuning, Few-shot learning



Unsupervised Data Augmentation (UDA)
Uncertainty-aware Self-Training (UST)

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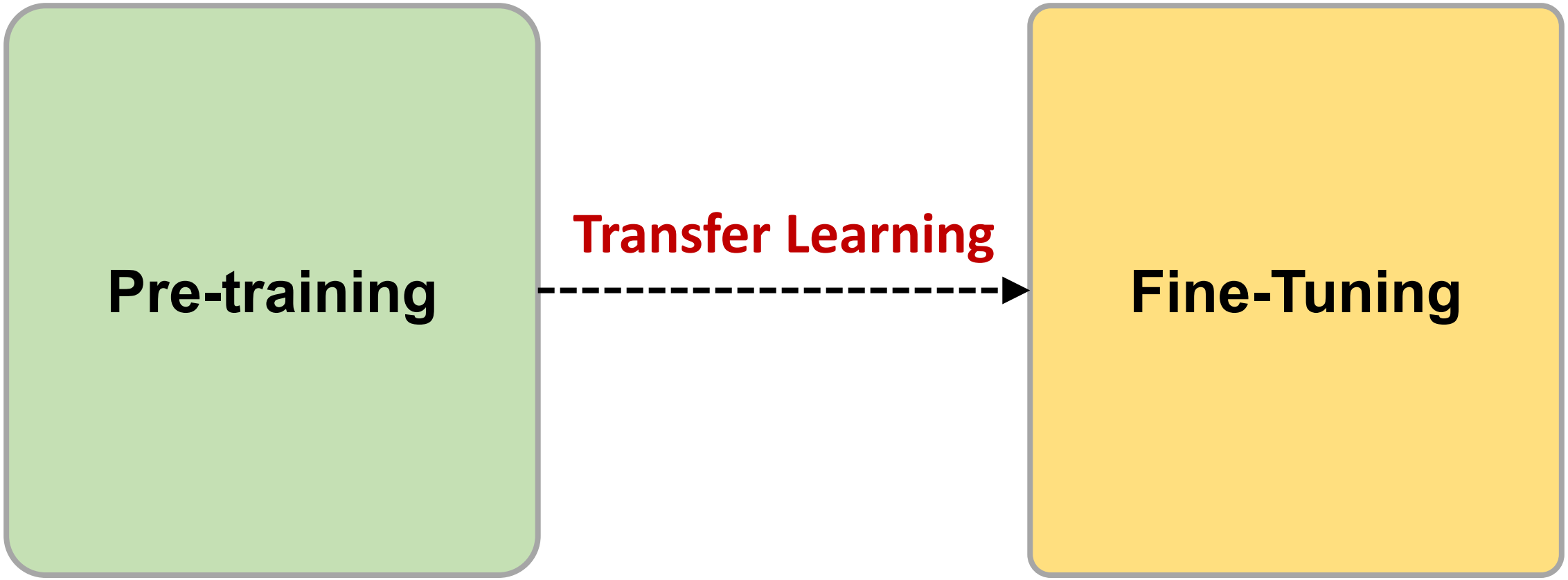
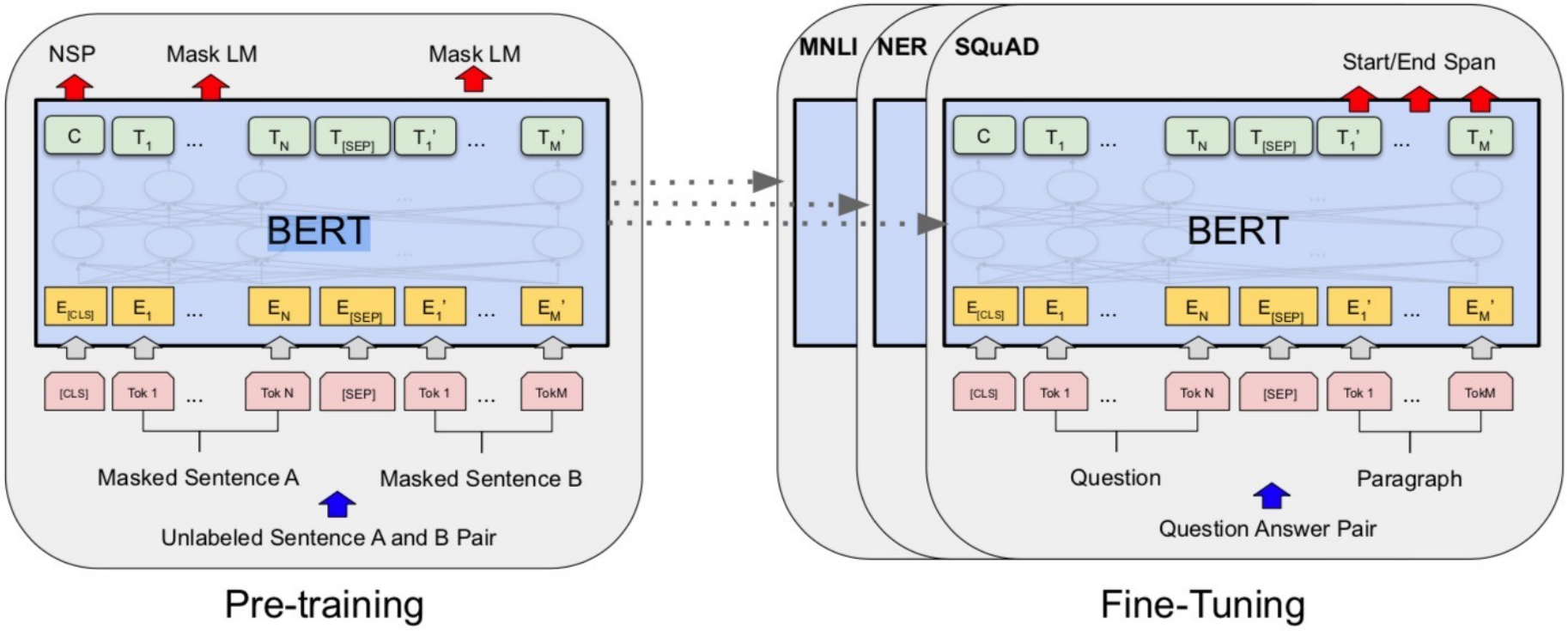
Transfer Learning



BERT: Pre-training of Deep Bidirectional Transformers for Language Understanding

BERT (Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers)

Overall pre-training and fine-tuning procedures for BERT



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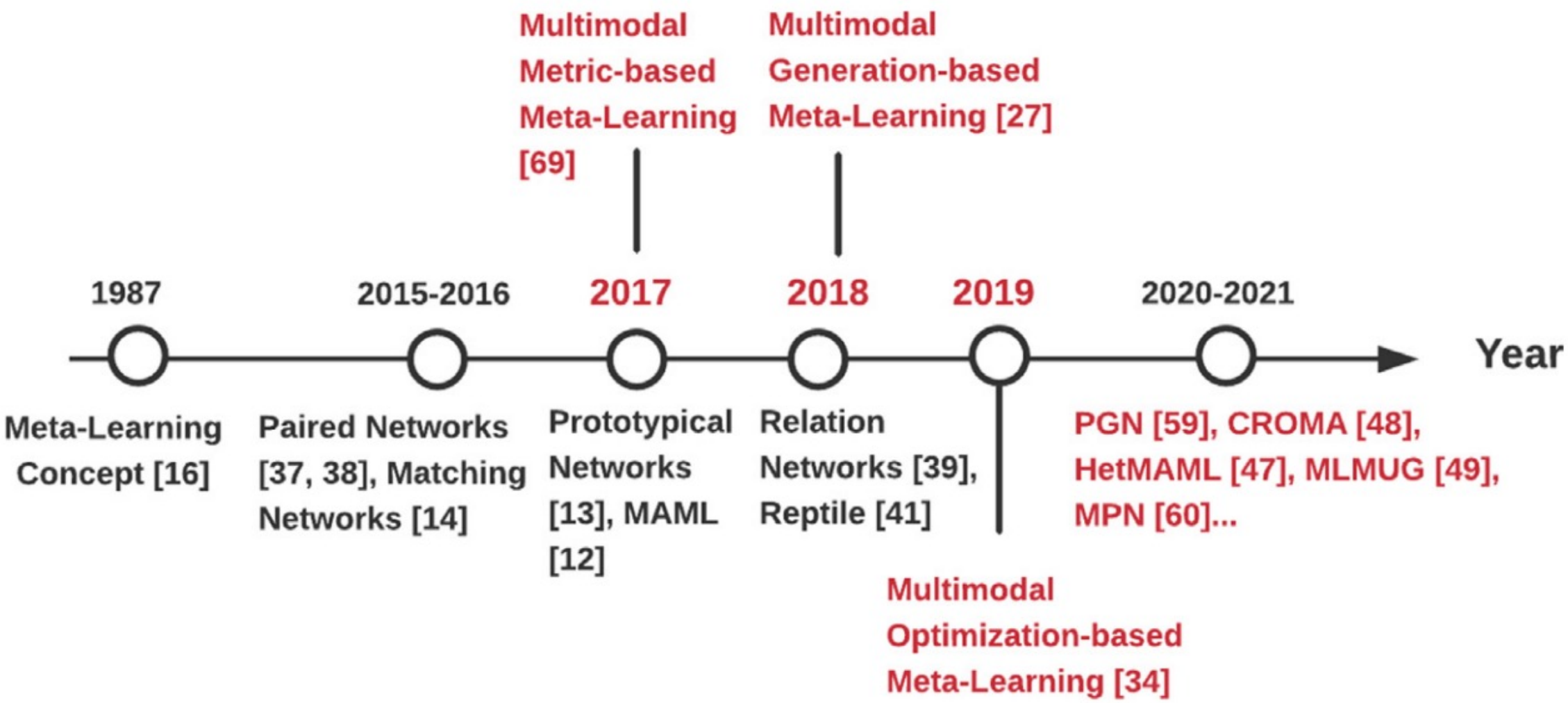

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Meta Learning

Year	Achievement	Ref.
1987	(1) A new framework of "learning how to learn" with self-referential learning was proposed. The neural networks in self-referential learning can regard their weights as inputs and update them continuously. (2) Based on the conventional neural network, two types of wights were used to connect the neurons. Each type of weight presents a different learning speed.	[34,35]
1990	A synaptic learning rule, which is biologically plausible, was proposed to automatically study the learning rules.	[36]
1993	A chain of meta-networks was introduced to improve the learning capacity of a recurrent neural network for a dynamic environment.	[37]
1995	A framework was proposed to optimize the learning rule within a parametric learning rule space.	[38]
1996	An improved self-referential model was proposed. Time ratios were used to measure the effects of learning processes on the later learning processes.	[39]
1998	The term "Learning to learn" was proposed to equally represent the concept of meta-learning.	[40]
2001	Gradient descent methods were firstly used in meta-learning instead of evolutionary methods, which were widely used in previous research.	[41,42]
2003	A biologically plausible meta-reinforcement learning algorithm was proposed to tune the parameters of the meta-learning model dynamically and adaptively.	[43]
2004	A new perspective of meta-learning was proposed: exploring the interaction between the learning mechanism and the specific contexts to which the mechanism applies.	[9]
2008	The zero-data learning problem was addressed.	[44]
2010–2012	The breakthrough of deep neural networks marks the beginning of the era of meta-learning.	[45–47]
2013	The relationship between transfer learning and meta-learning was described.	[48]
2016	A meta-learning algorithm named gradient descent by gradient descent was proposed.	[49]
2017	(1) MAML was proposed. (2) A doctoral thesis systematically introduced the concept of meta-learning and corresponding methods.	[50,51]
2018	Reptile, an improved version of MAML, was proposed.	[52]
2019	The Capsule network provides a new method to improve the learning capacity of meta-learning, especially in computer vision.	[53]
2020	Combining auto-encoder and capsule network to focus on the zero-shot learning problem.	[54]

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Meta-learning Approaches

	Metric-based	Optimization-based	Model-based
Key idea	Metric Learning [19]	Gradient Descent	Memory; RNN
How $P_\theta(y\|x)$ is modeled?	$\sum_{(x_k,y_k)\in S} k_\theta(x, x_k)y_k,$	$P_{\theta'}(y\|x),$ where $\theta' = g_\phi(\theta, S)$	$f_\theta(x, S).$
Advantages	Faster Inference. Easy to deploy.	Offers flexibility to optimize in dynamic environments. S can be discarded post-optimization.	Faster inference with memory models. Eliminates the need for defining a metric or optimizing at test.
Disadvantages	Less adaptive to optimization in dynamic environments. Computational complexity grows linearly with size of S at test.	Optimization at inference is undesirable for real-world deployment. Prone to overfitting.	Less efficient to hold data in memory as S grows. Hard to design.

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Meta Learning: Learning to Learn

Class	Methods	Reference	Summary
Metric-Based	Siamese Neural Networks Matching Networks Prototype Networks	[32–36] [37–41] [42–46]	We show four metric-based meta-learning algorithms, focusing on feature extractors, similarity metrics, and automatic algorithm selection However, the metric-based approaches are sensitive to the dataset and
	Relation Networks	[47–53]	increase the computational expenditure when the number of tasks is large.
Model-Based	Memory-Augmented Neural Networks	[54–56] [57,58]	We display three model-based approaches. MANN combines neural networks with external memory modules, but the model is complex. Meta-Net
	Meta Networks	[59–65]	is computationally intensive and has high memory requirements. SNAIL is relatively simplified, but has to
	Simple Neural Attentive Meta-Learner	[66–71]	be optimized in terms of automatic parameter tuning and reducing computation.
Optimization-Based	MAML	[72–80]	We present three methods of optimization-based meta-learning. MAML is relatively simple to implement, but the capacity of the
	META- LSTM	[81–86]	model is limited. Meta-LSTM has a large capacity, but a complicated training process. Meta-SGD
	META- SGD	[87–93]	has improved capacity but still has difficulties in generalization ability.

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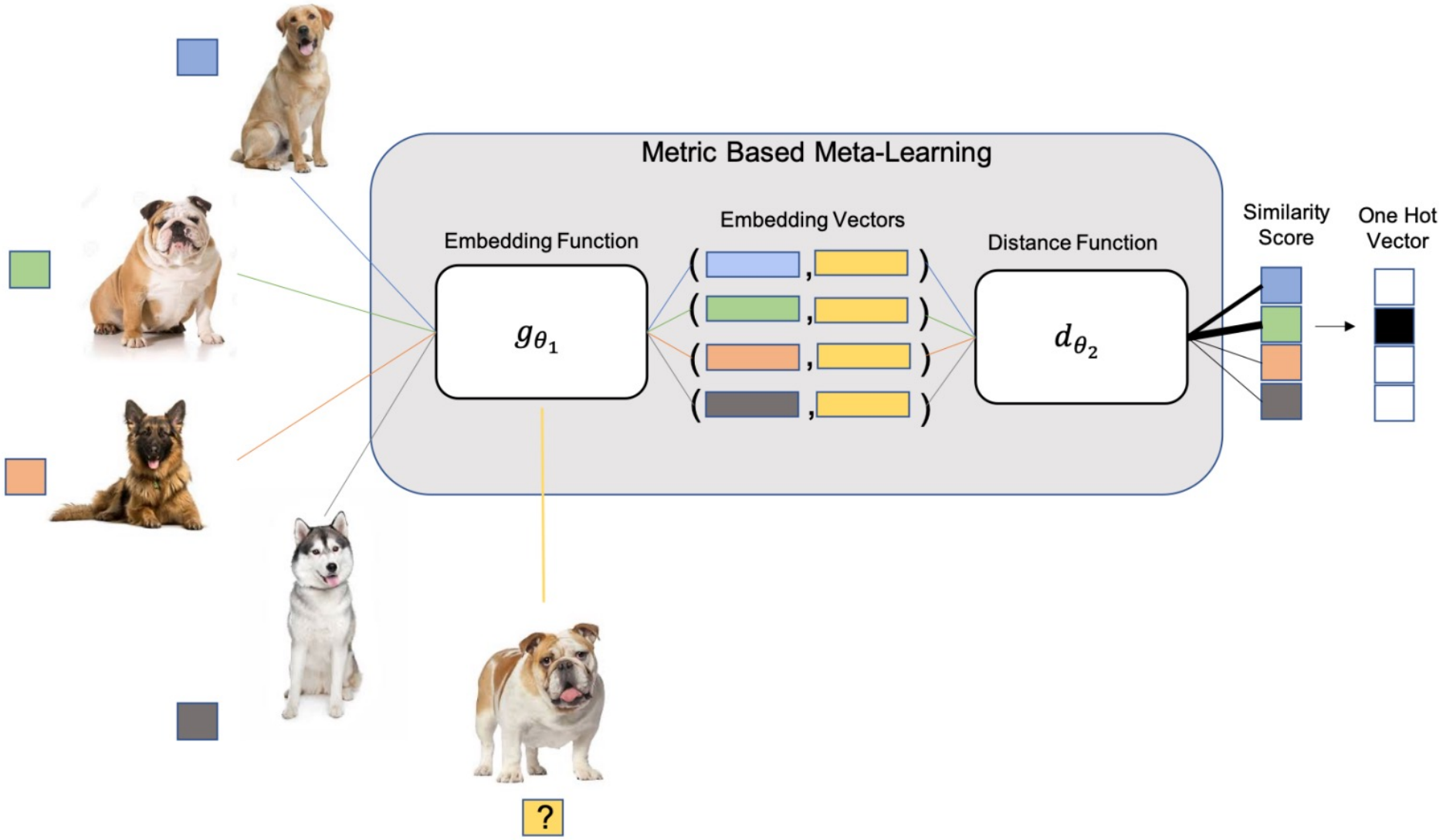
Metric-based Meta-learning

M-Way K-Shot Task (4-way-1-shot classification task)



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Metric-based Meta-Learning Methods

Method	T.I	g_{θ_1}	d_{θ_2}	Prediction	Loss
Siamese Networks [20]	Yes	CNN	L1	$v = w \cdot d(g_{\theta_1}(x_1), g_{\theta_2}(x_2))$ $p = \text{sigmoid}(\sum_j v_j)$	$-(y \log(p) + (1-y)(\log(1-p))$
Matching Networks [13]	Yes	CNN + LSTM w/ attention	Cosine Similarity	$\hat{y} = \sum_{k=1}^{t} \sigma(d(f_\theta(\hat{x}), g_{\theta_1}(x_k))y_k$ $P(y=c\|\hat{x}) = \hat{y}_c$	$-\log P$
Prototypical Networks [21]	Yes	CNN	Euclidean	$P(y=c\|x) = \sigma(-d(g_{\theta_1}(x), \mathbf{v}_c))$	$-\log P$
Relation Networks [22]	Yes	CNN	Learned by CNN	$r_c = d_{\theta_2}(g_{\theta_1}(x) \oplus \mathbf{v_c}))$	$\sum_{c \in C} (r_c - \mathbf{1}(y == c))^2$
TADAM [16]	No	ResNet-12	Cosine / Euclidean	$P_\lambda(y=c\|x) = \sigma(-\lambda d(g_{\theta_1}(x, \Gamma), \mathbf{v}_c))$	$-\log P$
TapNet [23]	No	Resnet-12	Euclidean	$P(y=c\|x) = \sigma(-d(\mathbf{M}(g_{\theta_1}(x)), \mathbf{M}(\Phi_c)))$	$-\log P$
CTM [24]	No	Any	Any	-	-

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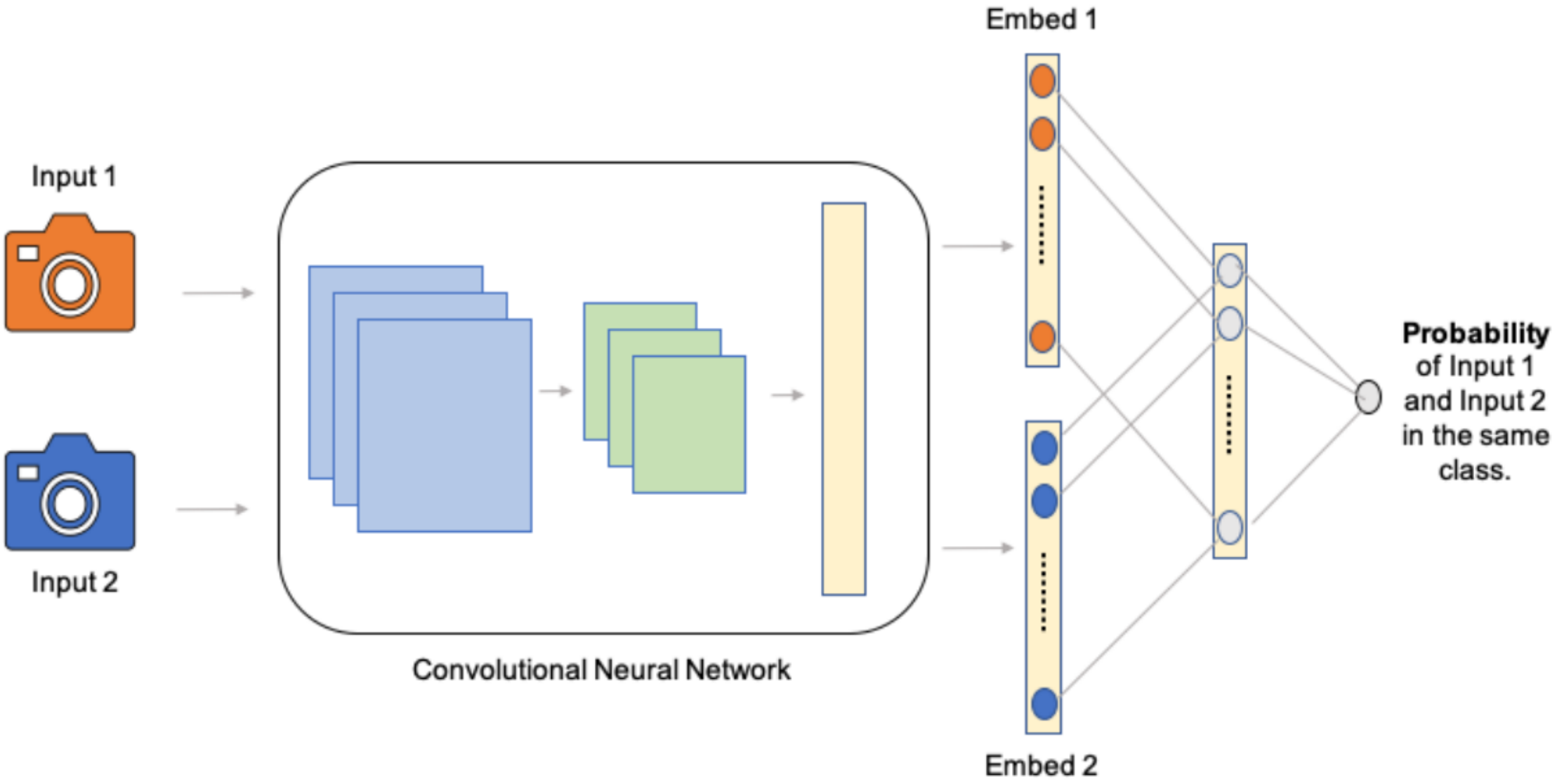
Convolutional Siamese Network



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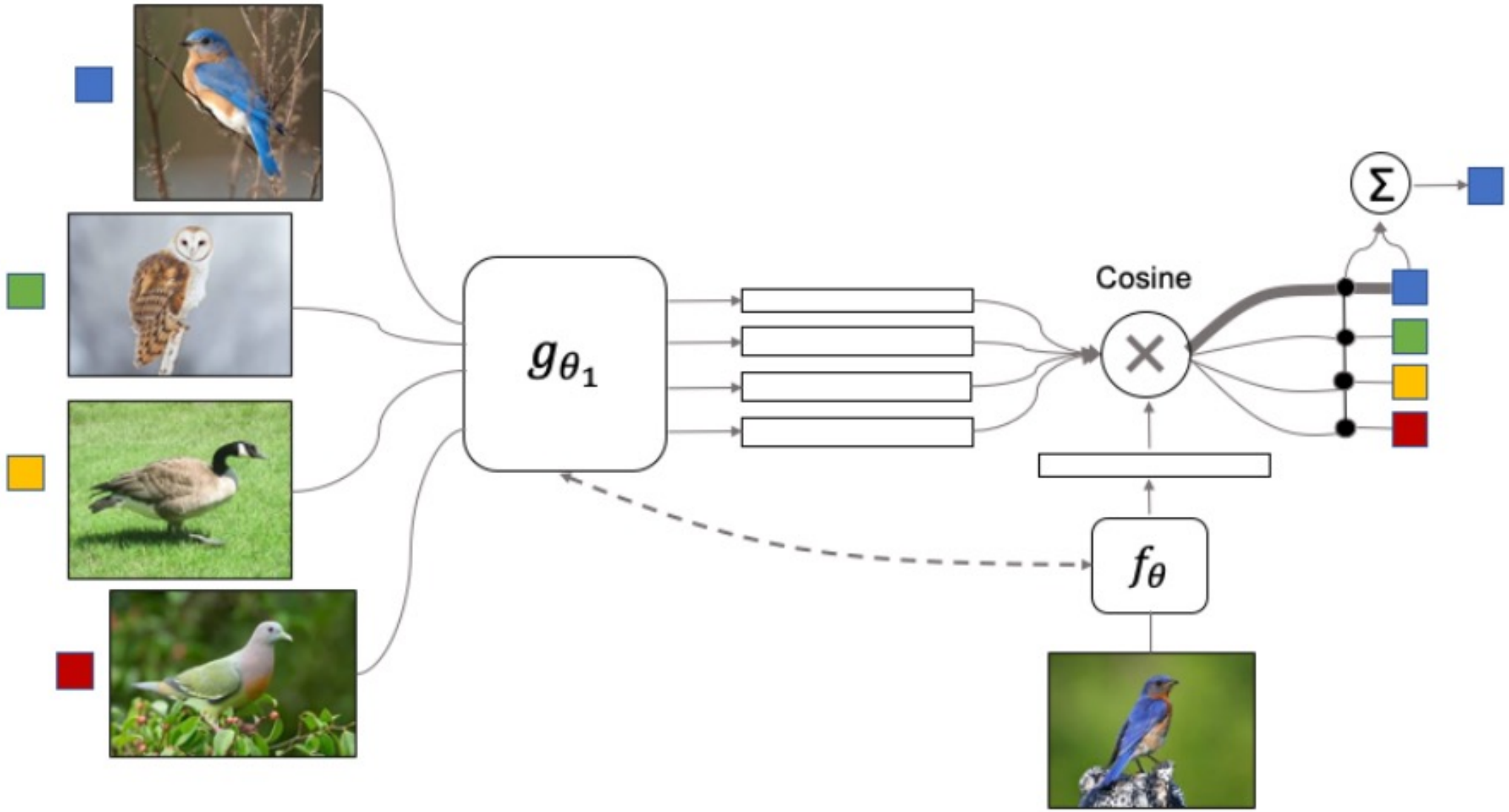

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Few-shot Prototypes

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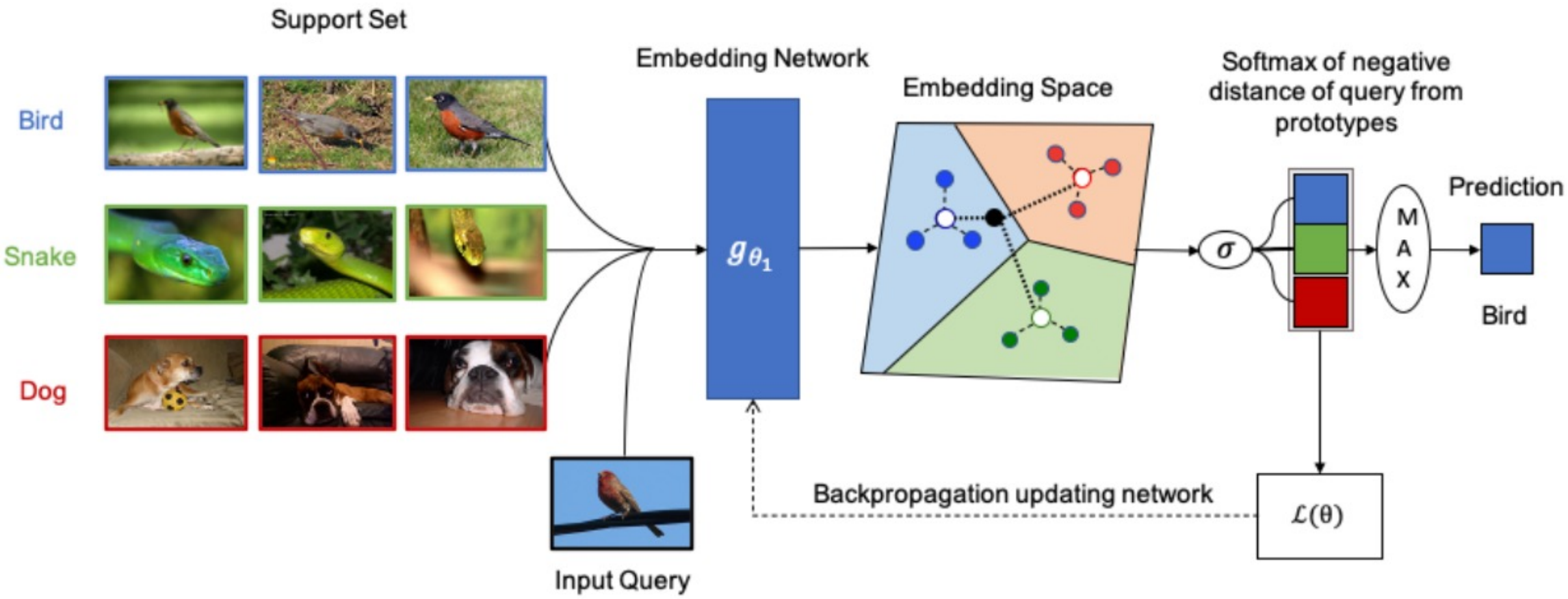

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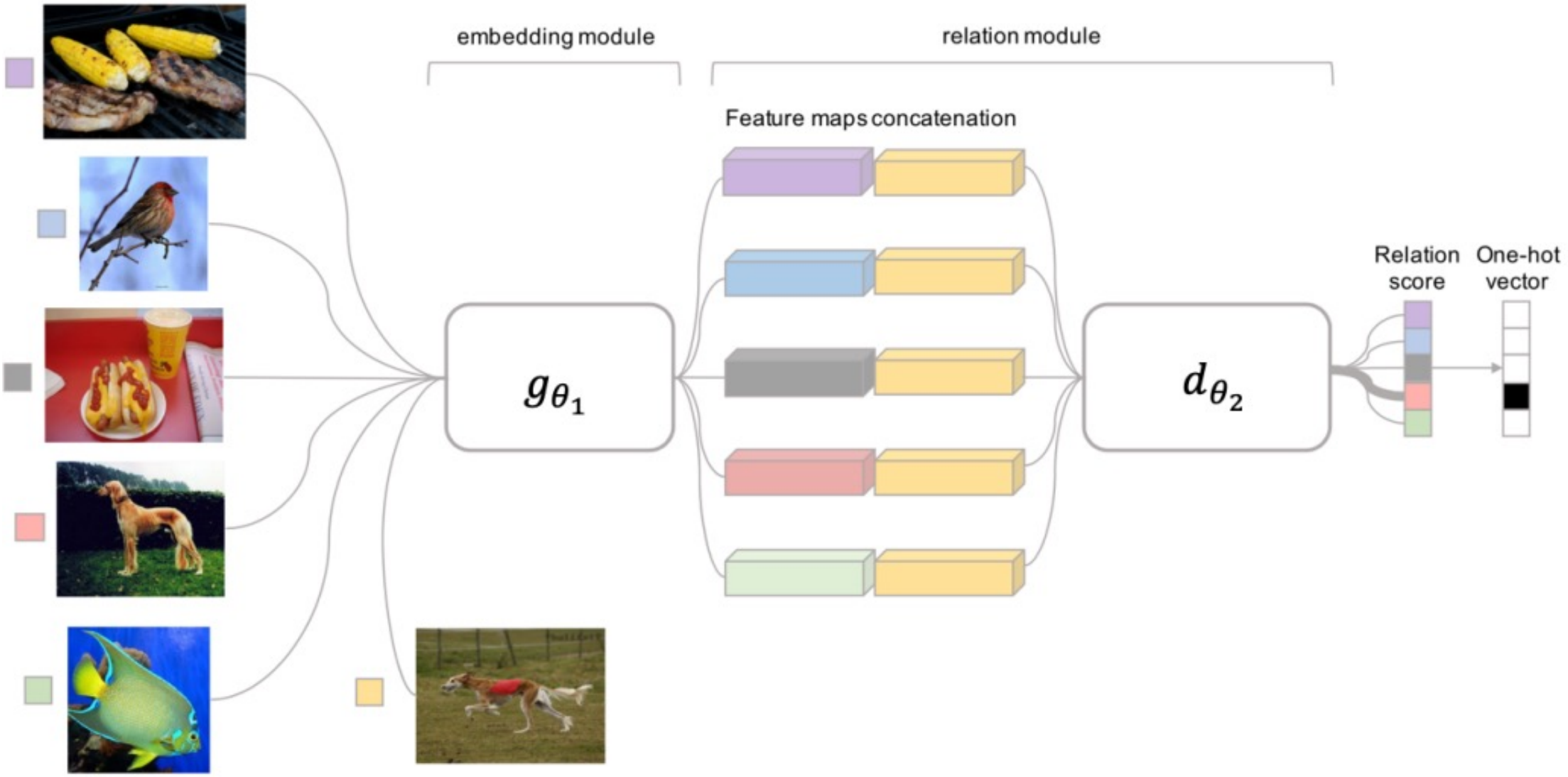

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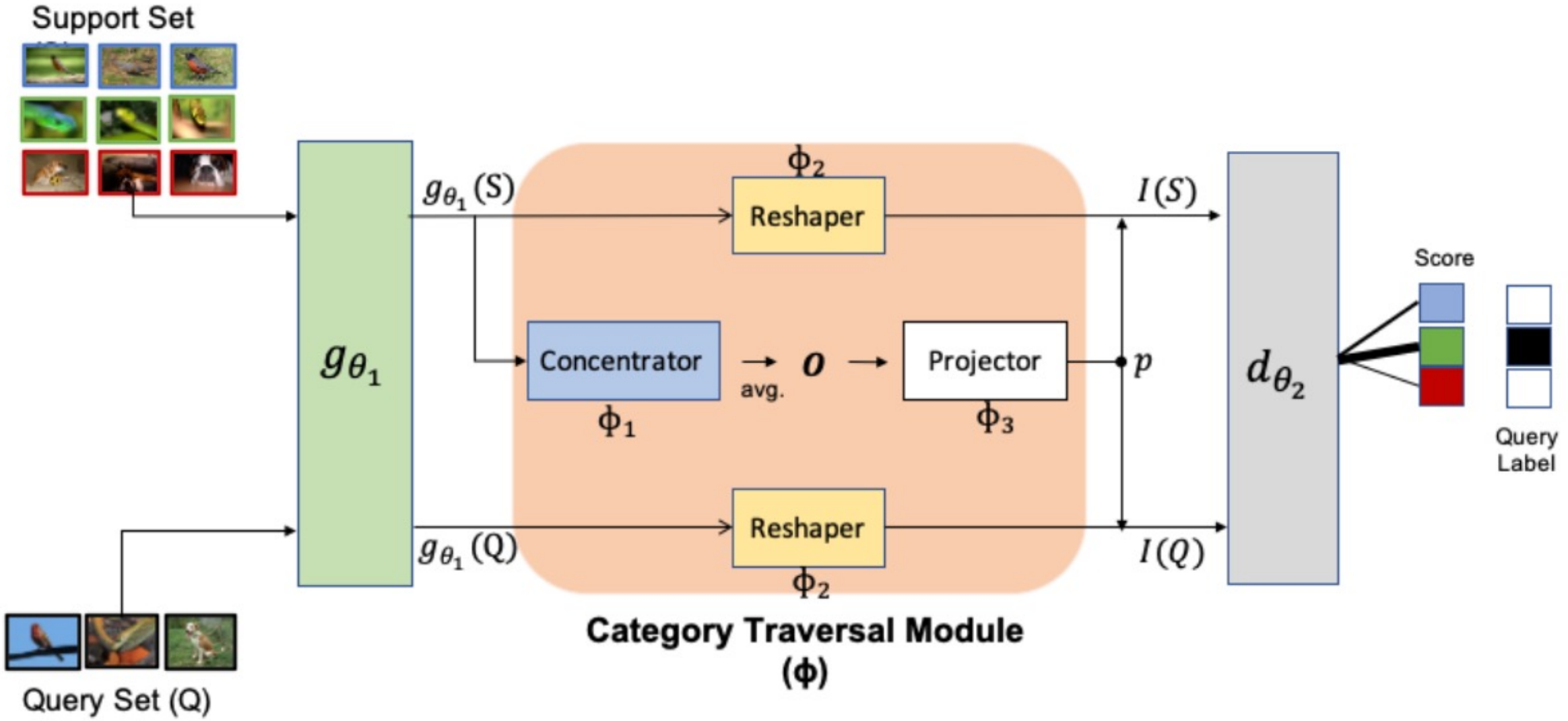
Meta Learning: Category Traversal Module (CTM)



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Optimization-based Meta-Learning Methods

Method	Learner	Meta-Learner
LSTM Meta-Learner [35]	Repeat $\forall b \in [1..B]$ $\mathcal{L}_b \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(X_b; \theta_{b-1}), Y_b)$ $\theta_b \leftarrow g((\nabla_{\theta_{b-1}} \mathcal{L}_b, \mathcal{L}_b); \phi_{j-1})$	Repeat $\forall j \in [1..J]$ $\mathcal{L}_j^{test} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(X; \theta_B), Y)$ $\phi_j \leftarrow \phi_{j-1} - \alpha \nabla_{\phi_{j-1}} \mathcal{L}_j^{test}$
MAML [14]	Repeat $\forall i \in [1..I]$ $\mathcal{L}_i^{train} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(\mathcal{D}_i^{train}; \theta_{j-1}))$ $\theta_i^* \leftarrow \theta_{j-1} - \alpha \nabla_{\theta_{j-1}} \mathcal{L}_t^{train}$ $\mathcal{L}_i^{test} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(\mathcal{D}_i^{test}; \theta_t^*))$	Repeat $\forall j \in [1..J]$ $\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_{j-1} - \beta \nabla_{\theta_{j-1}} \sum_{i=1}^{I} \mathcal{L}_i^{test}$
MTL [37]	$\mathcal{L}_i^{train} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(\mathcal{D}_i^{train}; [\theta_{j-1}, \phi_{j-1}, \Theta]))$ $\theta_i^* \leftarrow \theta_{j-1} - \alpha \nabla_{\theta_{j-1}} \mathcal{L}_i^{train}$ $\mathcal{L}_i^{test} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(\mathcal{D}_i^{test}; \theta_i^*))$	$\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_{j-1} - \beta \nabla_{\theta_{j-1}} \sum_{i=1}^{I} \mathcal{L}_i^{test}$ $\phi_j \leftarrow \phi_{j-1} - \beta \nabla_{\phi_{j-1}} \sum_{i=1}^{I} \mathcal{L}_i^{test}$
LEO [38]	$\phi_{j-1} = \{\phi_e, \phi_r, \phi_d, \alpha\}$ $\mathbf{z_i} \leftarrow g(\mathcal{D}_i^{train}; [\phi_e, \phi_r, \Theta])$ $\theta_i \leftarrow g(\mathbf{z_i}; \phi_d)$ $\mathcal{L}_i^{train} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(\mathcal{D}_i^{train}; \theta_i))$ $\mathbf{z_i^*} \leftarrow \mathbf{z_i} - \alpha \nabla_{\mathbf{z_i}} \mathcal{L}_i^{train}$ $\theta_i^* \leftarrow g(\mathbf{z_i^*}; \phi_d)$ $\mathcal{L}_i^{test} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f(\mathcal{D}_i^{test}; \theta_i^*))$	$\phi_j \leftarrow \phi_{j-1} - \beta \nabla_{\phi_{j-1}} \sum_{i=1}^{I} \mathcal{L}_i^{test}$

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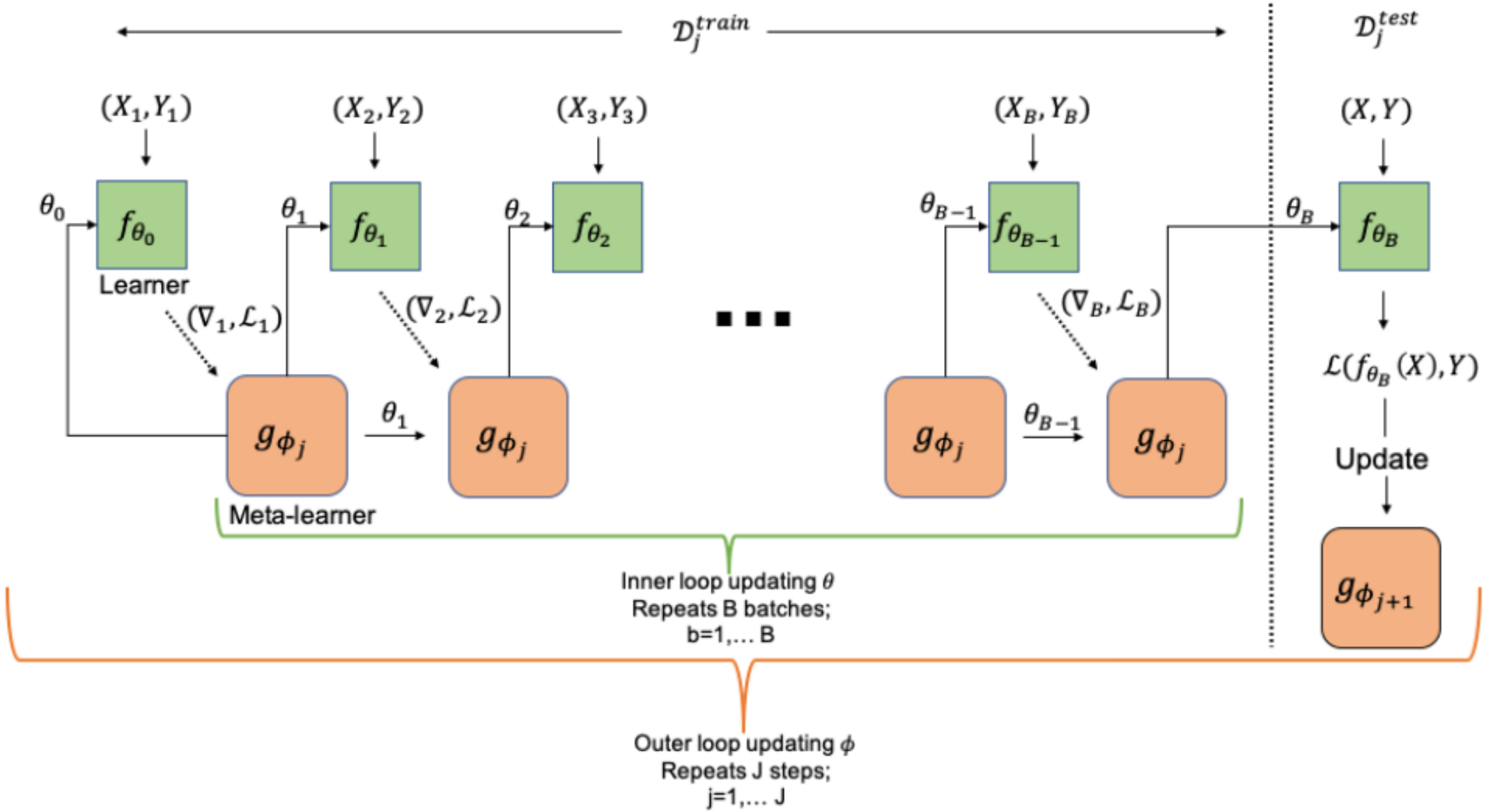

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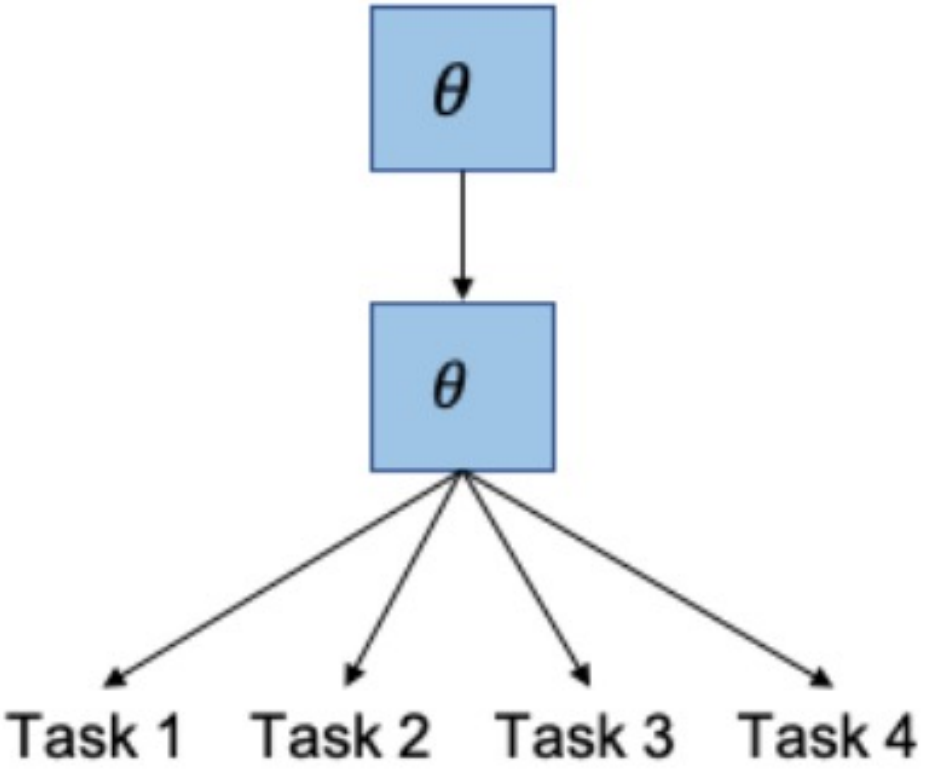
Model-Agnostic Meta-Learning (MAML)
Hierarchically Structured Meta-Learning (HSML)



Globally Shared Initialization
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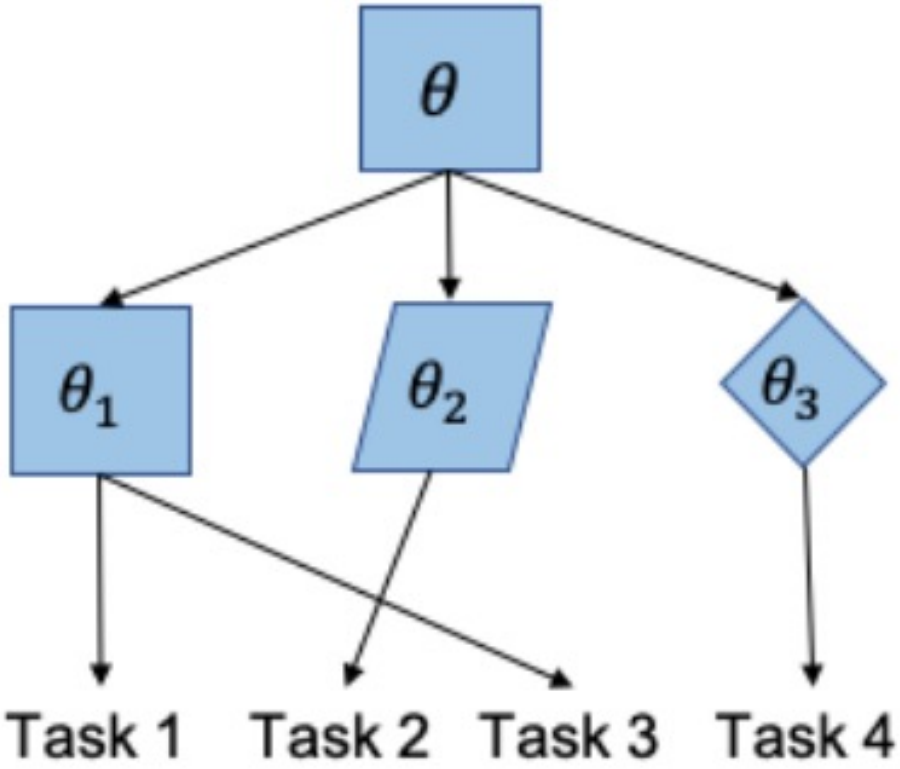

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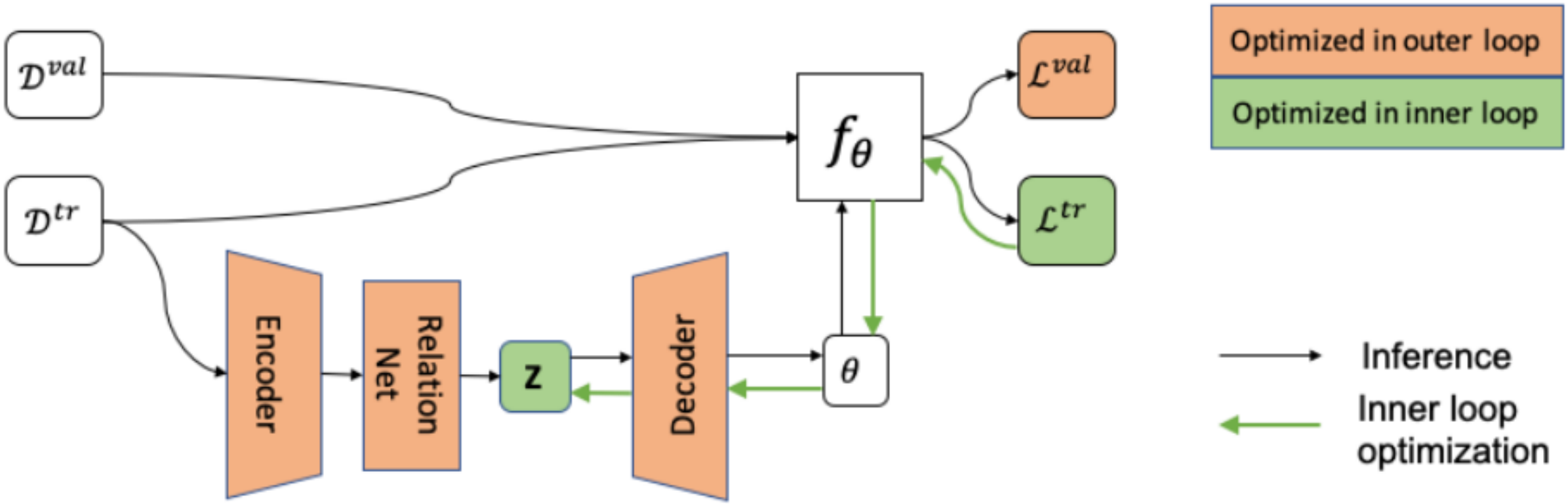

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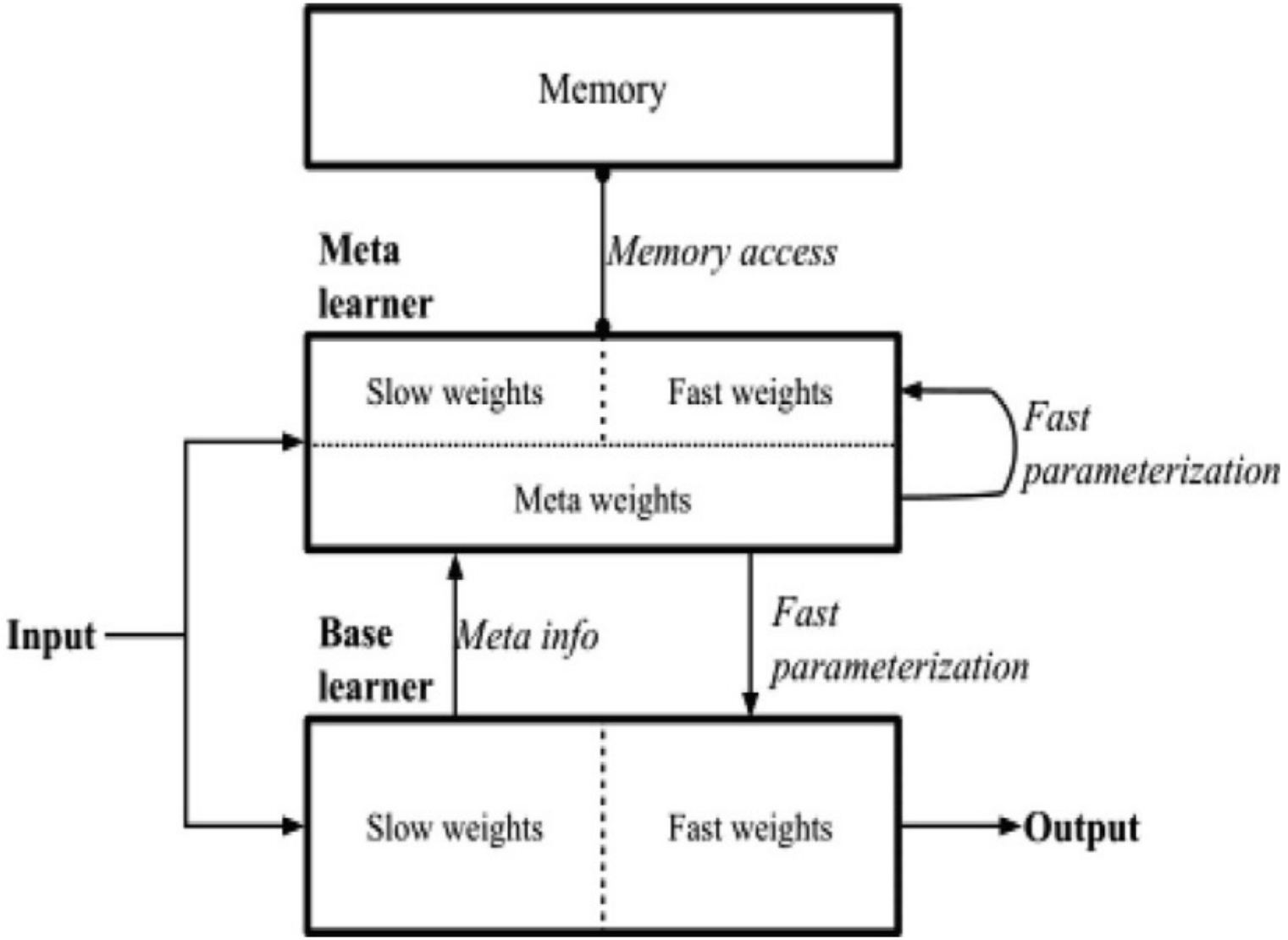

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ULMFiT: 3 Steps
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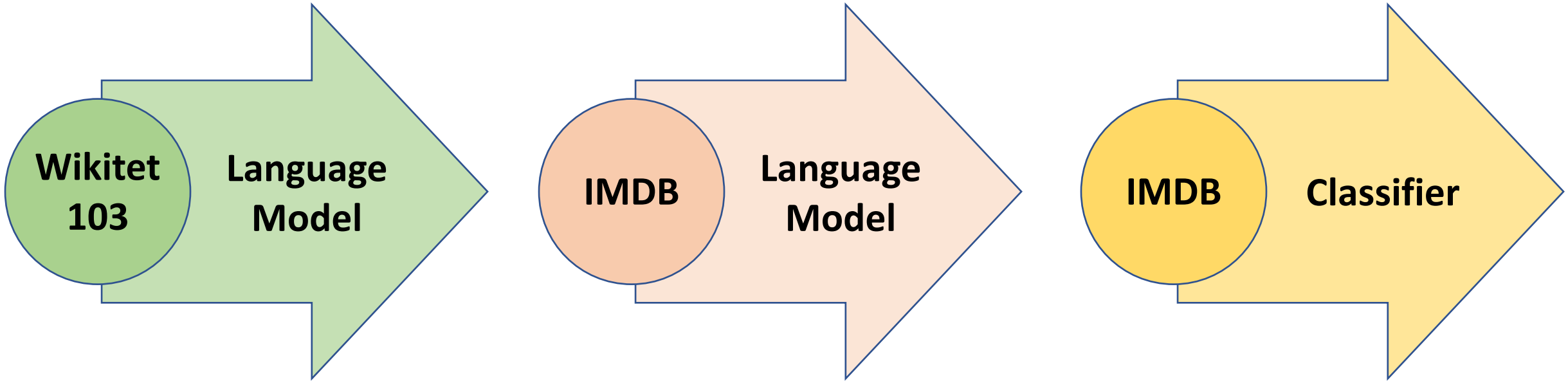

1. Pretraining
2. Domain adaptation
3. Fine-tuning

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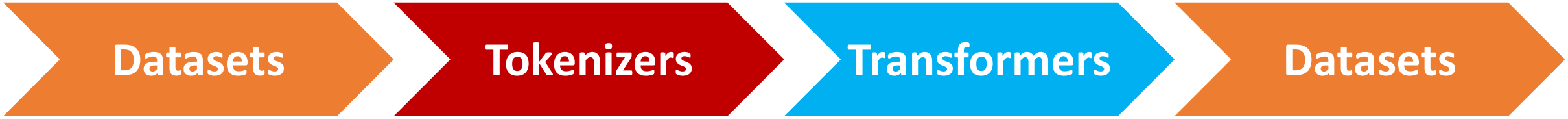
A typical pipeline for training transformer models

with the Datasets, Tokenizers, and Transformers libraries



Load and process datasets

Tokenize input texts

Load models, train and infer

Load metrics evaluate models

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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)
Typical Scenarios

- **Acting as a test bed for learning like human**
- **Learning for rare cases**
- **Reducing data gathering effort and computational cost**

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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

- **Few-Shot Learning (FSL) is a sub-area in machine learning.**
- **Machine Learning Definition**
  - **A computer program is said to learn from experience E with respect to some classes of task T and performance measure P if its performance can improve with E on T measured by P.**
    - Example: Image classification task (T), a machine learning program can improve its classification accuracy (P) through E obtained by training on a large number of labeled images (e.g., the ImageNet data set).

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Machine Learning

task T	experience E	performance P
image classification [73]	large-scale labeled images for each class	classification accuracy
the ancient game of Go [120]	a database containing around 30 million recorded moves of human experts and self-play records	winning rate

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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

- **Few-shot Learning (FSL) is a type of machine learning problems (specified by E, T, and P), where E contains only a limited number of examples with supervised information for the target T.**
  - **Existing FSL problems are mainly supervised learning problems.**
  - **Few-shot classification learns classifiers given only a few labeled examples of each class.**
    - image classification
    - sentiment classification from short text
    - object recognition

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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

- **Few-shot classification learns a classifier h, which predicts label y_i for each input x_i.**
- **Usually, one considers the *N-way-K-shot* classification, in which D_{train} contains $I = KN$ examples from N classes each with K examples**

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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

- **Few-Shot Learning (FSL)**
  - $K = 10 \sim 100$ **examples**
- **One-Shot Learning (1SL)**
  - $K = 1$ **example**
- **Zero-Shot Learning (0SL)(ZSL)**
  - $K = 0$

Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

task T	experience E		performance P
	supervised information	prior knowledge	
character generation [76]	a few examples of new character	pre-learned knowledge of parts and relations	pass rate of visual Turing test
drug toxicity discovery [4]	new molecule's limited assay	similar molecules' assays	classification accuracy
image classification [70]	a few labeled images for each class of the target T	raw images of other classes, or pre-trained models	classification accuracy

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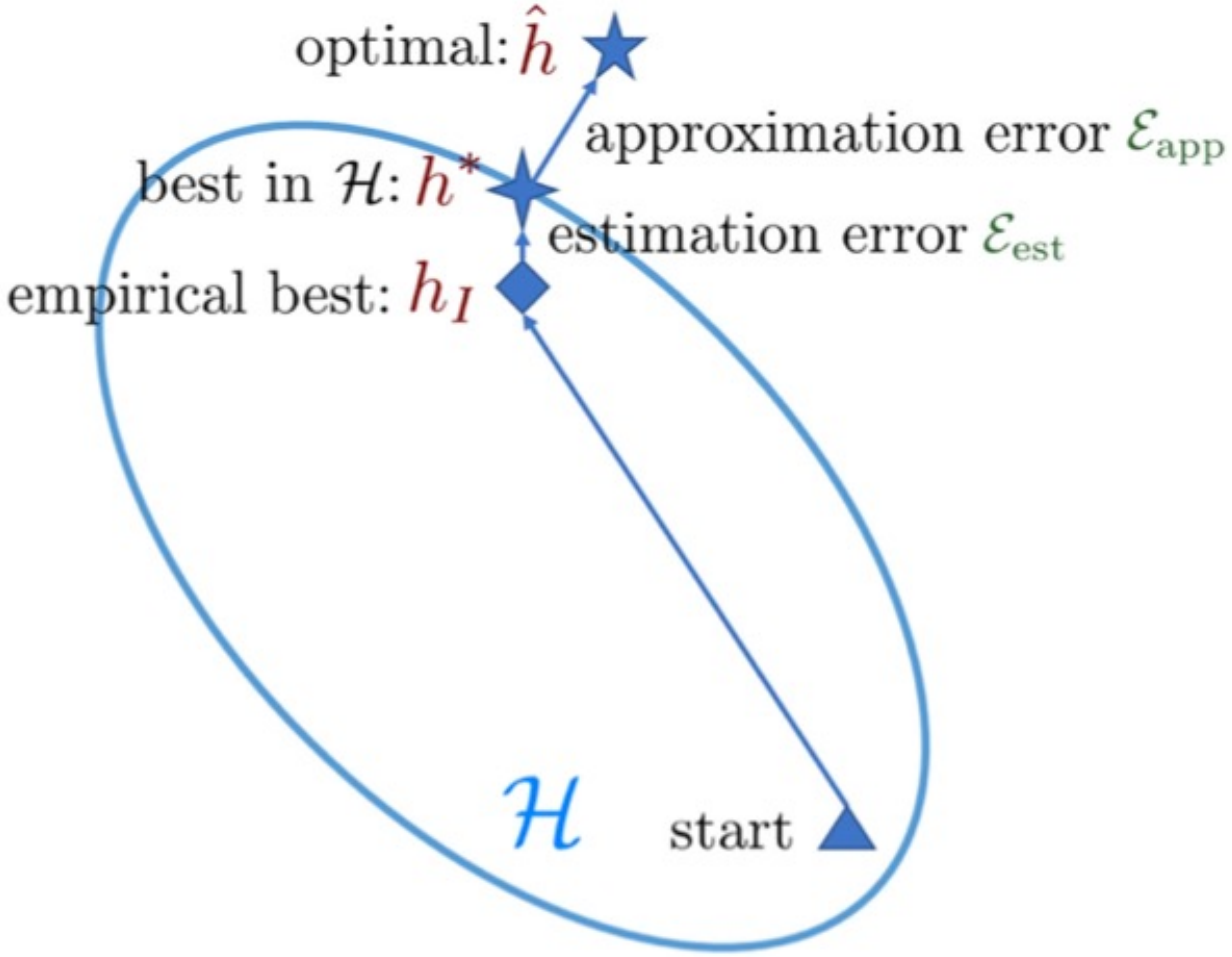
Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Comparison of learning with sufficient and few training samples



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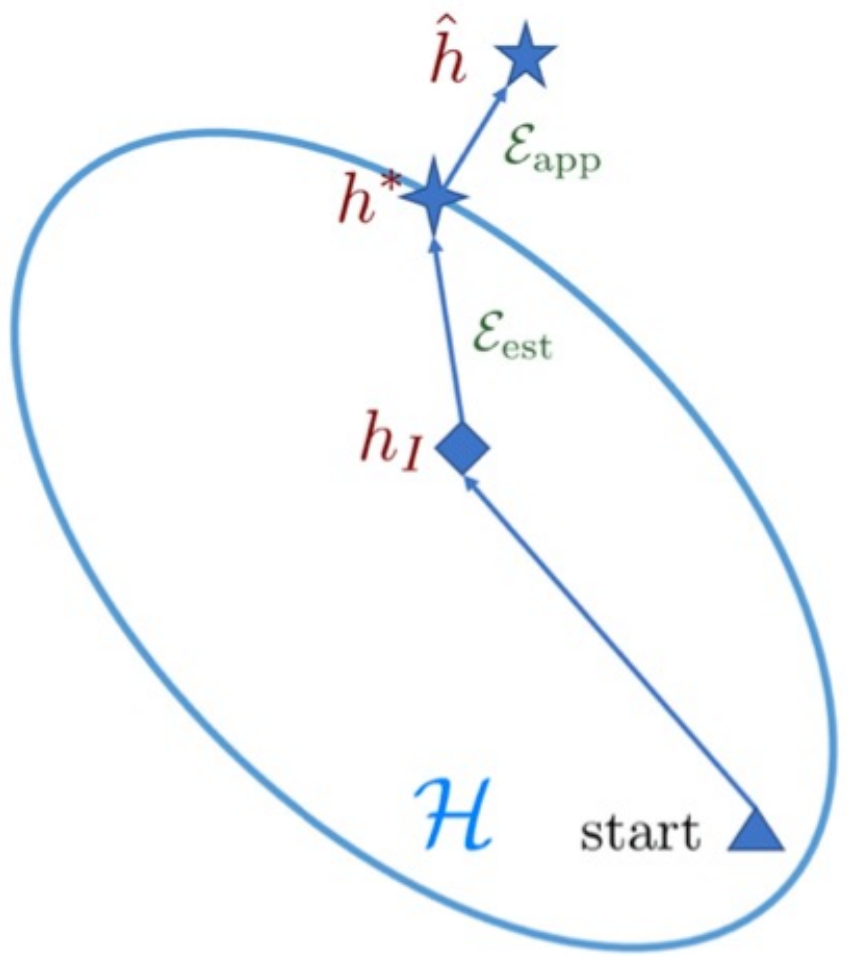

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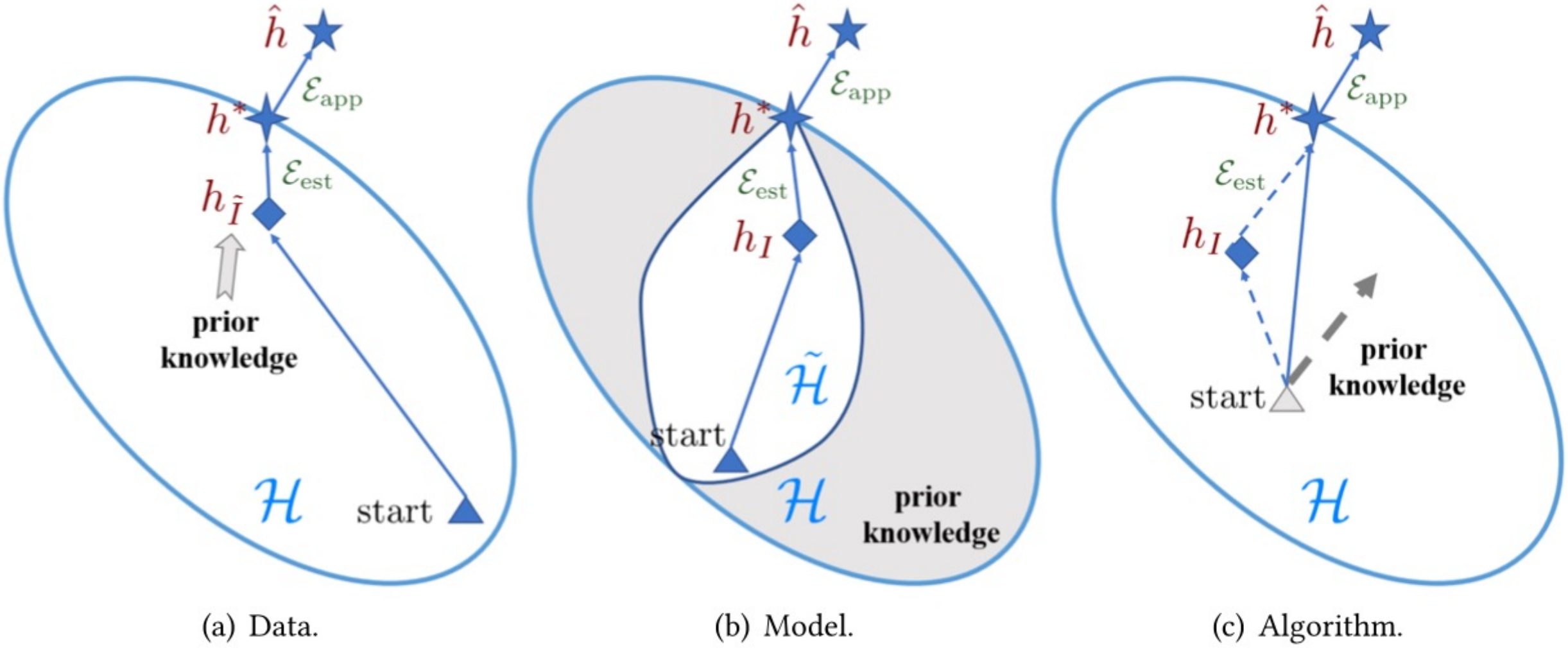
Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Different perspectives on how FSL methods solve the few-shot problem



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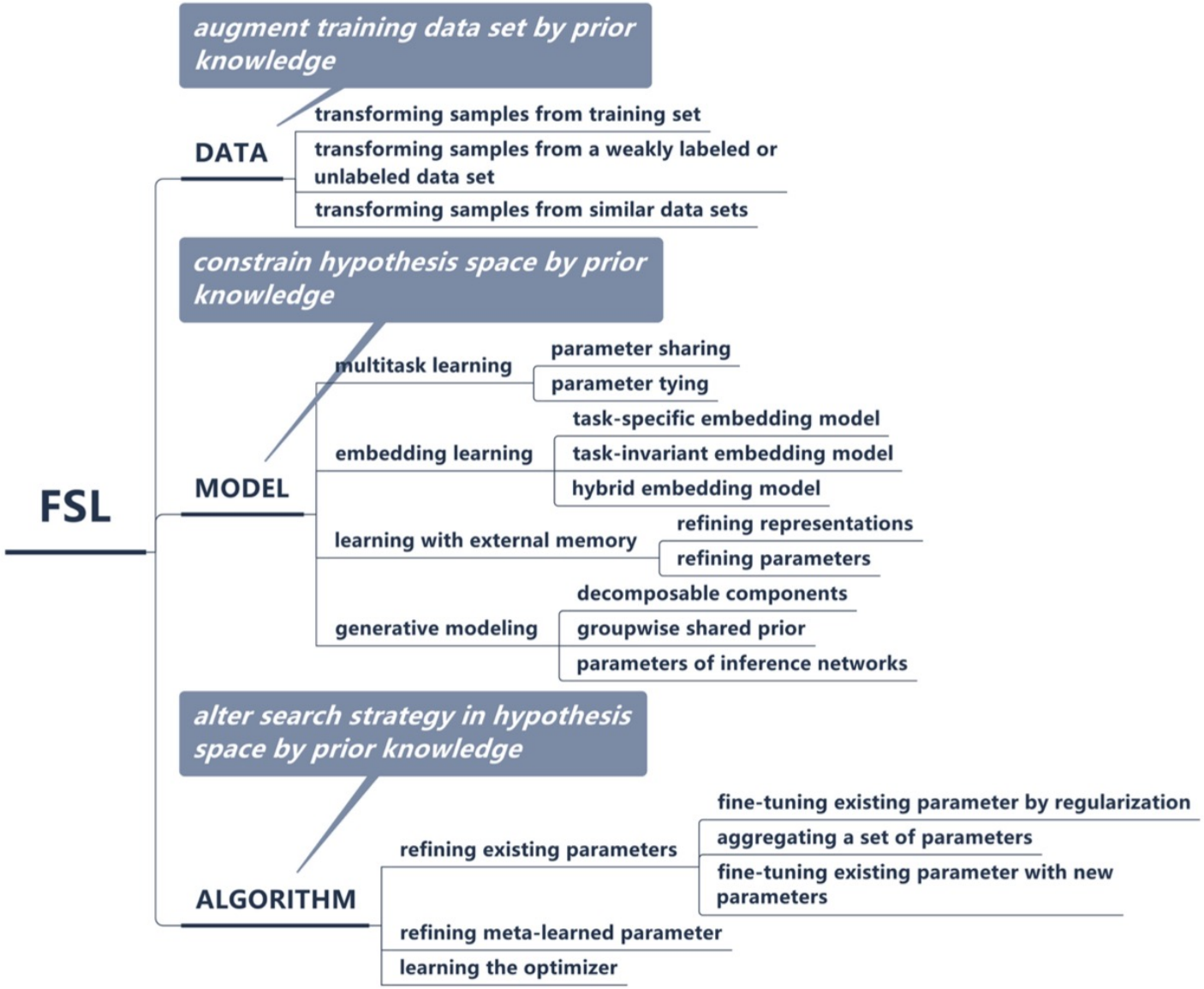
Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

A taxonomy of FSL methods



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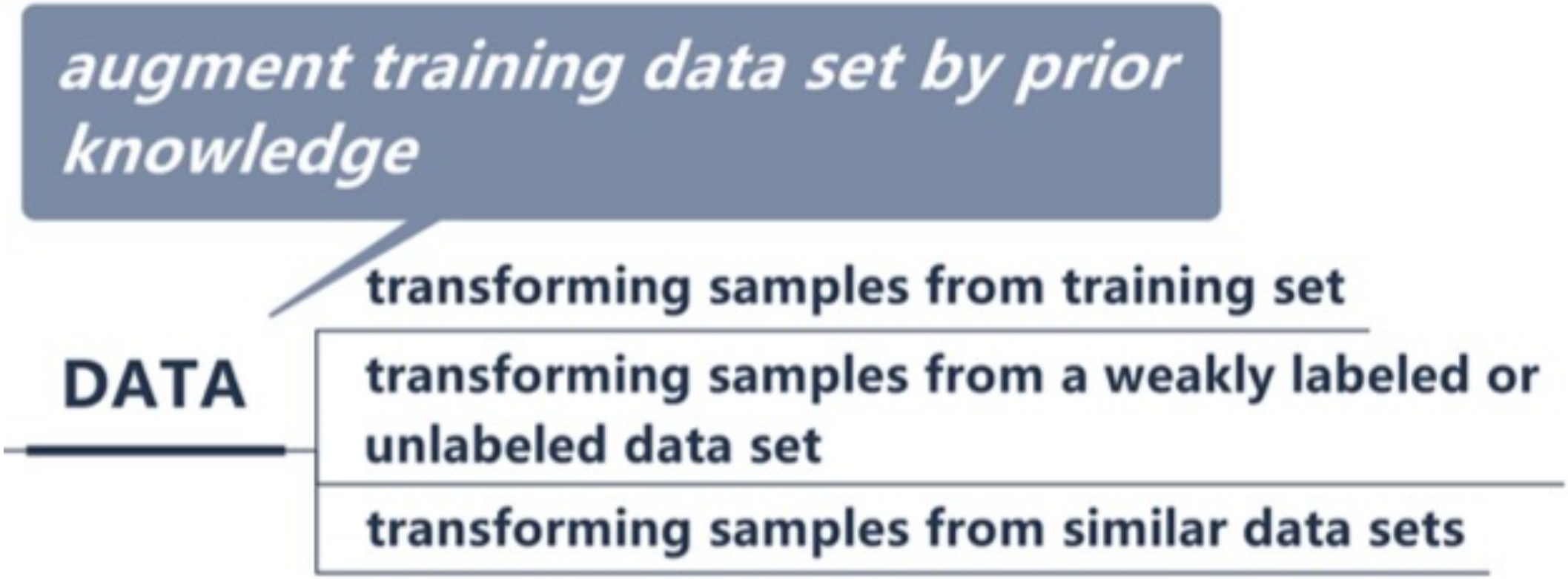

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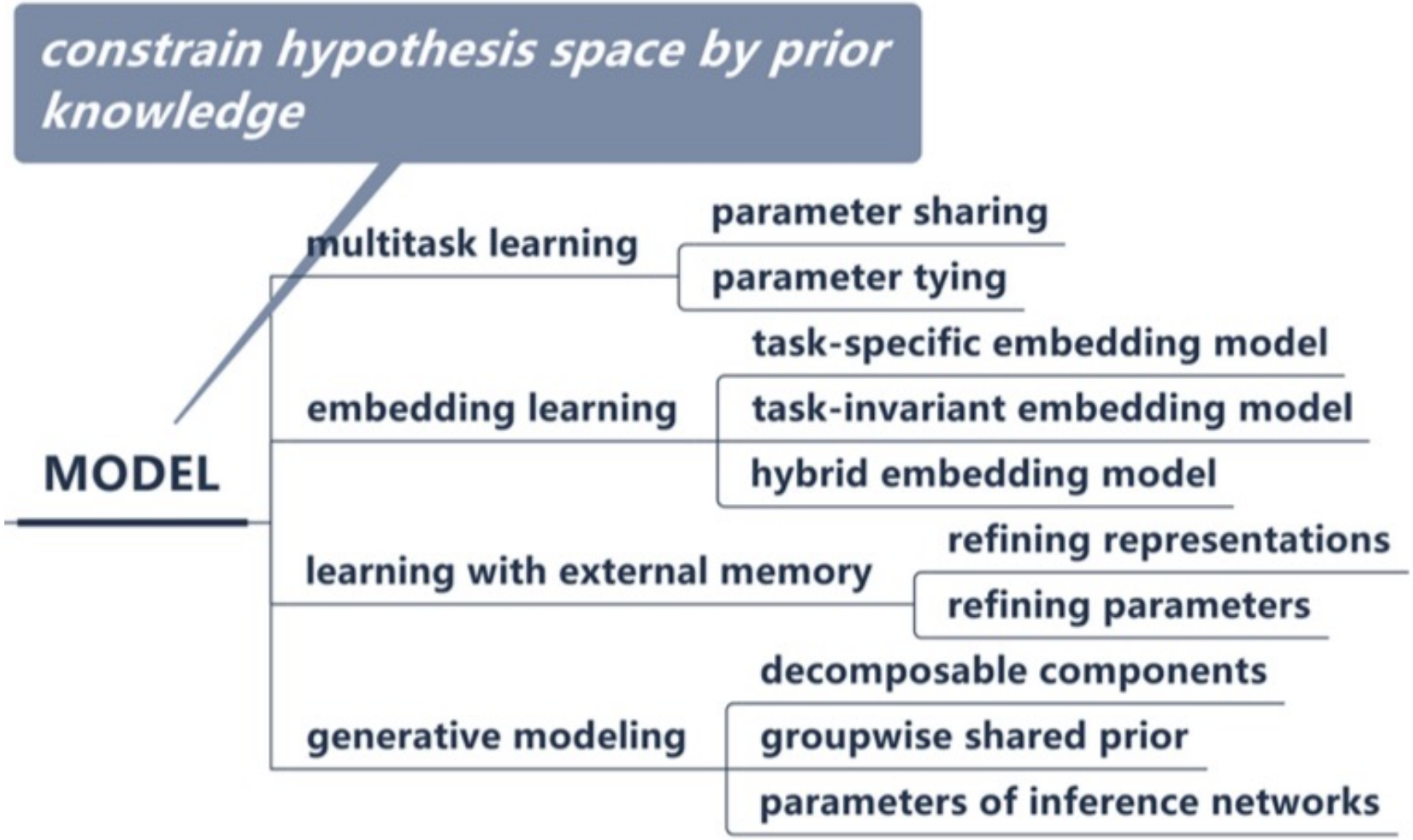

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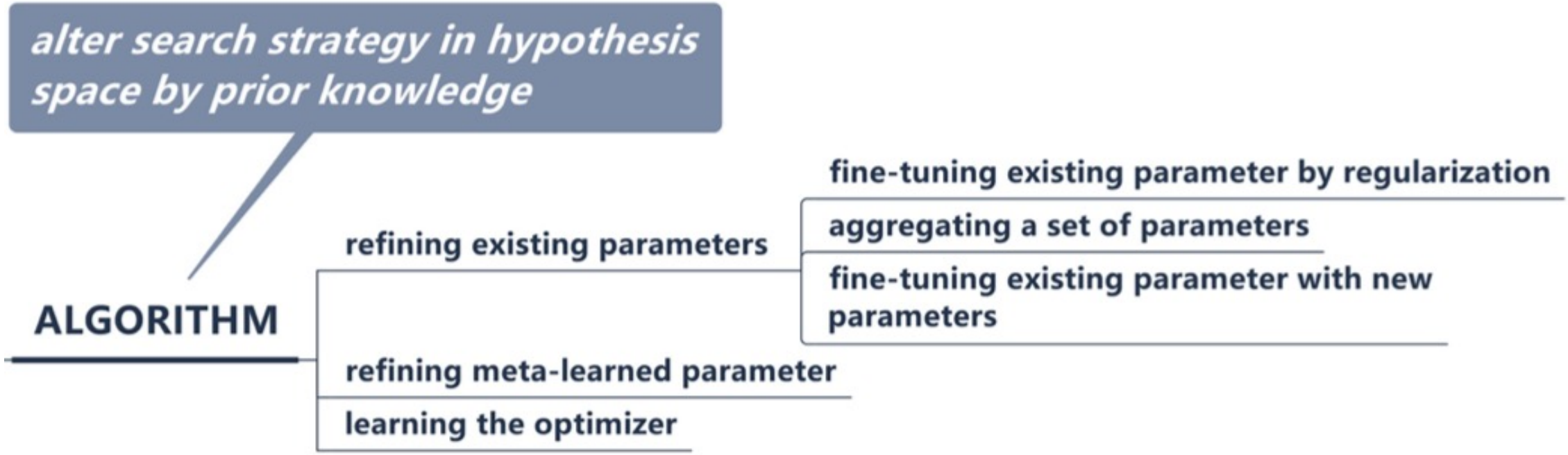

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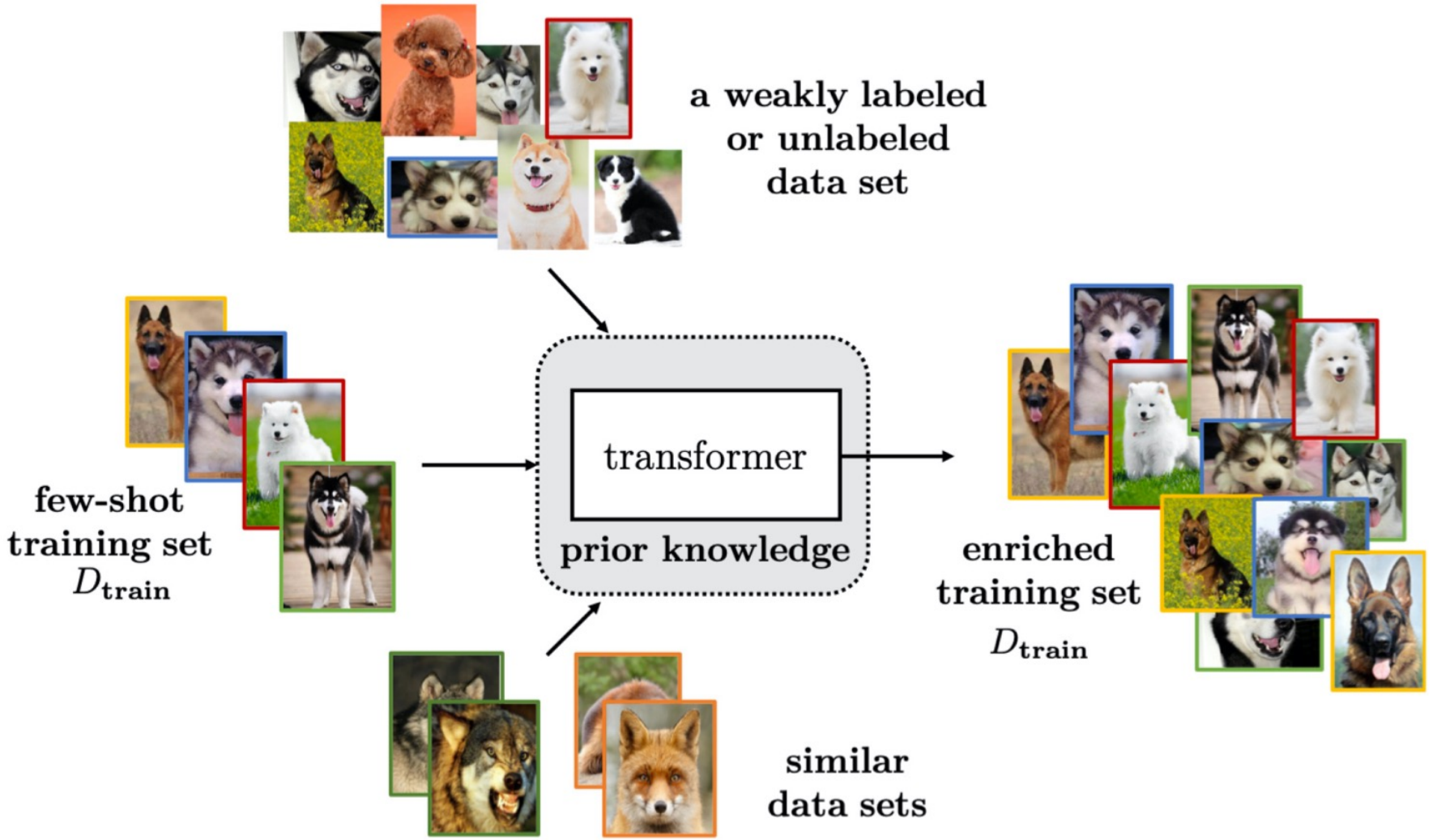
Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Solving the FSL problem by data augmentation



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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Characteristics for FSL Methods Focusing on the Data Perspective

category	input (x, y)	transformer t	output $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$
transforming samples from D_{train}	original (x_i, y_i)	learned transformation function on x_i	$(t(x_i), y_i)$
transforming samples from a weakly labeled or unlabeled data set	weakly labeled or unlabeled $(\bar{x}, -)$	a predictor trained from D_{train}	$(\bar{x}, t(\bar{x}))$
transforming samples from similar data sets	samples $\{(\hat{x}_j, \hat{y}_j)\}$ from similar data sets	an aggregator to combine $\{(\hat{x}_j, \hat{y}_j)\}$	$(t(\{\hat{x}_j\}), t(\{\hat{y}_j\}))$

The transformer $t(\cdot)$ takes input (x, y) and returns synthesized sample $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$ to augment the few-shot D_{train}.

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Characteristics for FSL Methods Focusing on the Model Perspective

strategy	prior knowledge	how to constrain $\mathcal{H}$
multitask learning	other T's with their data sets D's	share/tie parameter
embedding learning	embedding learned from/together with other T's	project samples to a smaller embedding space in which similar and dissimilar samples can be easily discriminated
learning with external memory	embedding learned from other T's to interact with memory	refine samples using key-value pairs stored in memory
generative modeling	prior model learned from other T's	restrict the form of distribution

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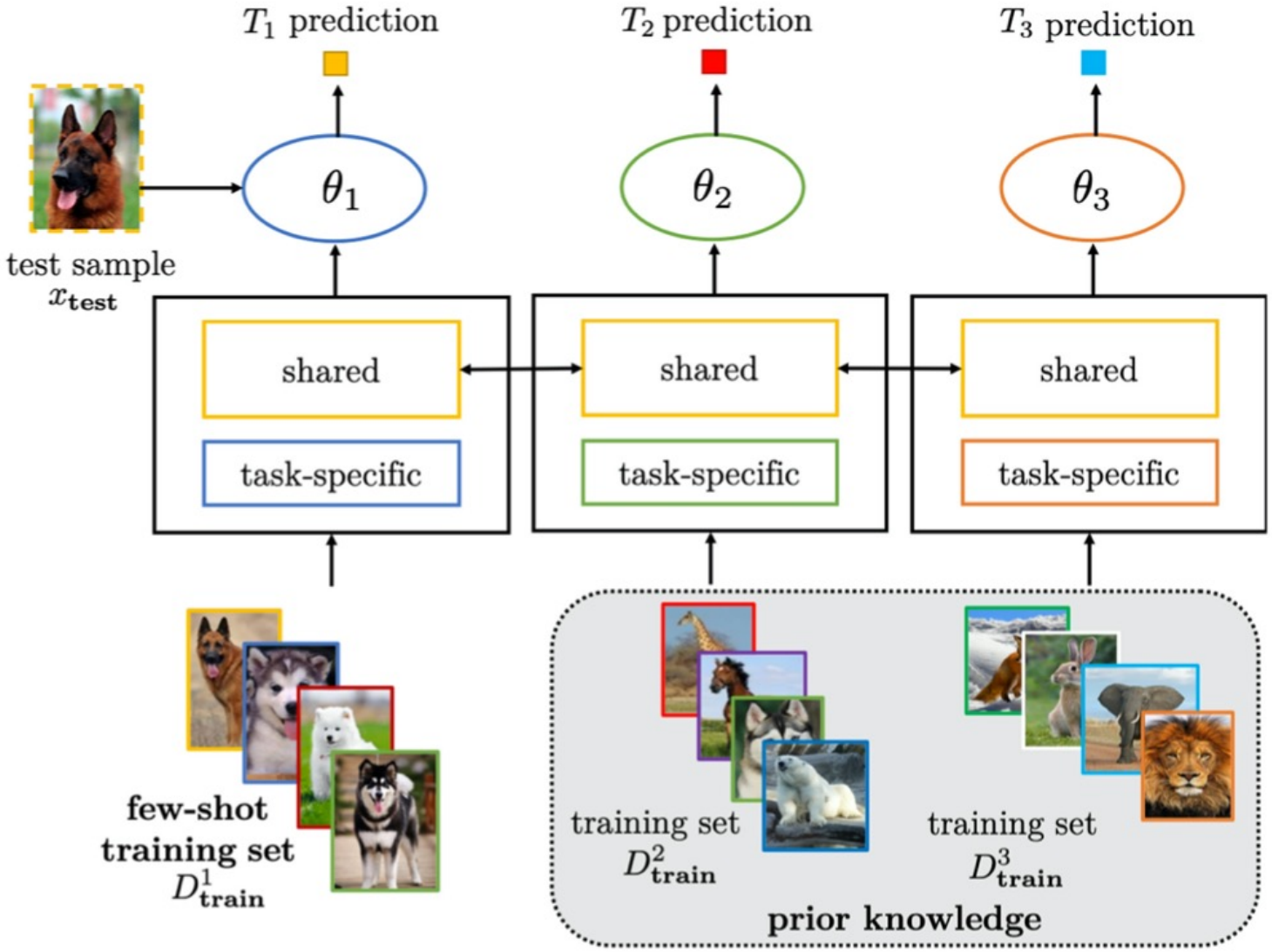
Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Solving the FSL problem by multitask learning with parameter sharing



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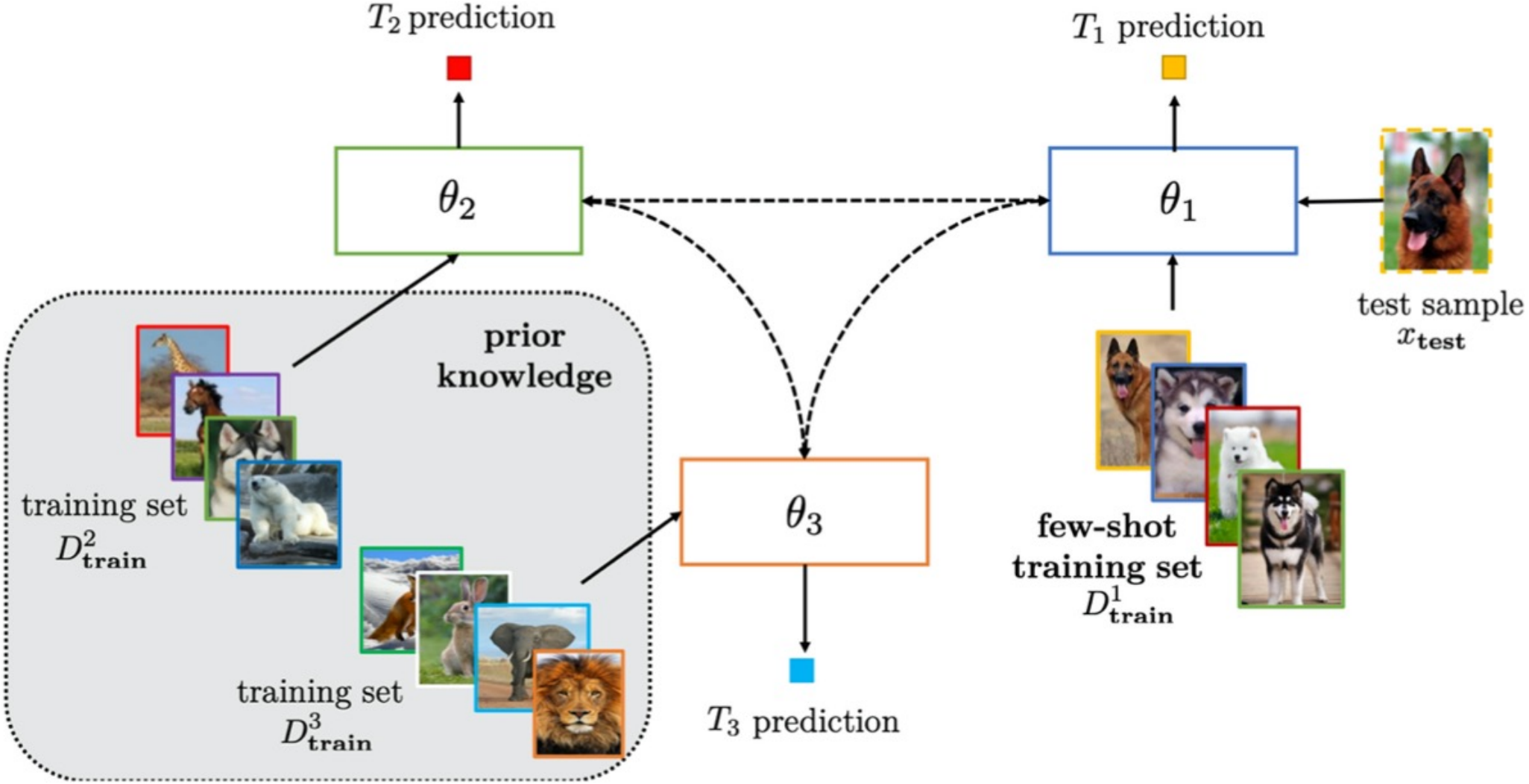

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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Characteristics of Embedding Learning Methods

category	method	embedding function f for x_{test}	embedding function g for D_{train}	similarity measure s
task-specific	mAP-DLM/SSVM[130]	CNN	the same as f	cosine similarity
task-invariant	class relevance pseudo-metric [36]	kernel	the same as f	squared ℓ_2 distance
	convolutional siamese net [70]	CNN	the same as f	weighted ℓ_1 distance
	Micro-Set[127]	logistic projection	the same as f	ℓ_2 distance
	Matching Nets [138]	CNN, LSTM	CNN, biLSTM	cosine similarity
	resLSTM [4]	GNN, LSTM	GNN, LSTM	cosine similarity
	Active MN [8]	CNN	biLSTM	cosine similarity
	SSMN [24]	CNN	another CNN	learned distance
	ProtoNet [121]	CNN	the same as f	squared ℓ_2 distance
	semi-supervised ProtoNet[108]	CNN	the same as f	squared ℓ_2 distance
	PMN [141]	CNN, LSTM	CNN, biLSTM	cosine similarity
	ARC [119]	LSTM, biLSTM	the same as f	-
	Relation Net [126]	CNN	the same as f	-
	GNN [115]	CNN, GNN	the same as f	learned distance
	TPN [84]	CNN	the same as f	Gaussian similarity
	SNAIL [91]	CNN	the same as f	-
hybrid	Learnet [14]	adaptive CNN	CNN	weighted ℓ_1 distance
	DCCN [162]	adaptive CNN	CNN	-
	R2-D2 [13]	adaptive CNN	CNN	-
	TADAM [100]	adaptive CNN	the same as f	squared ℓ_2 distance

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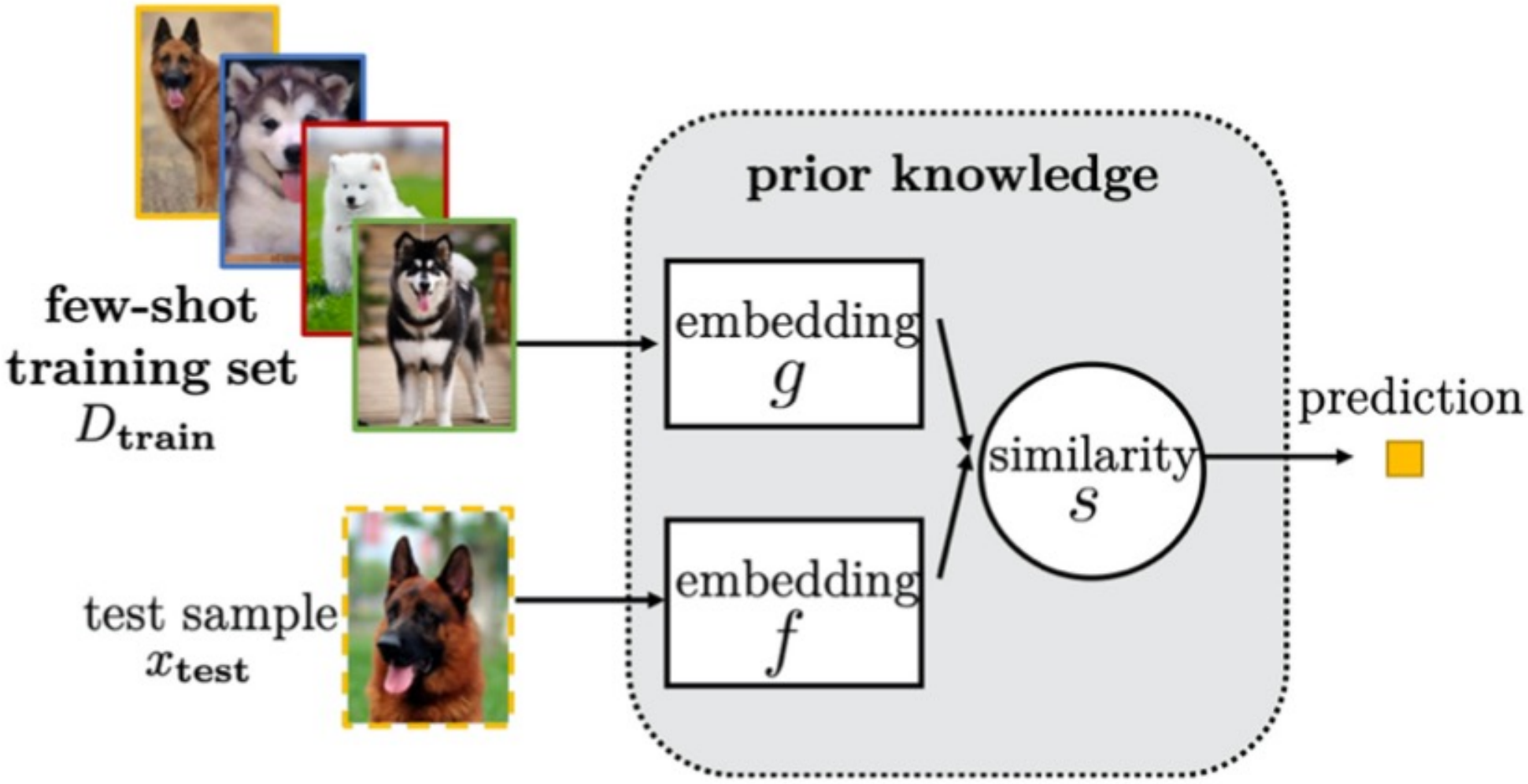
Solving the FSL problem by task-invariant embedding model



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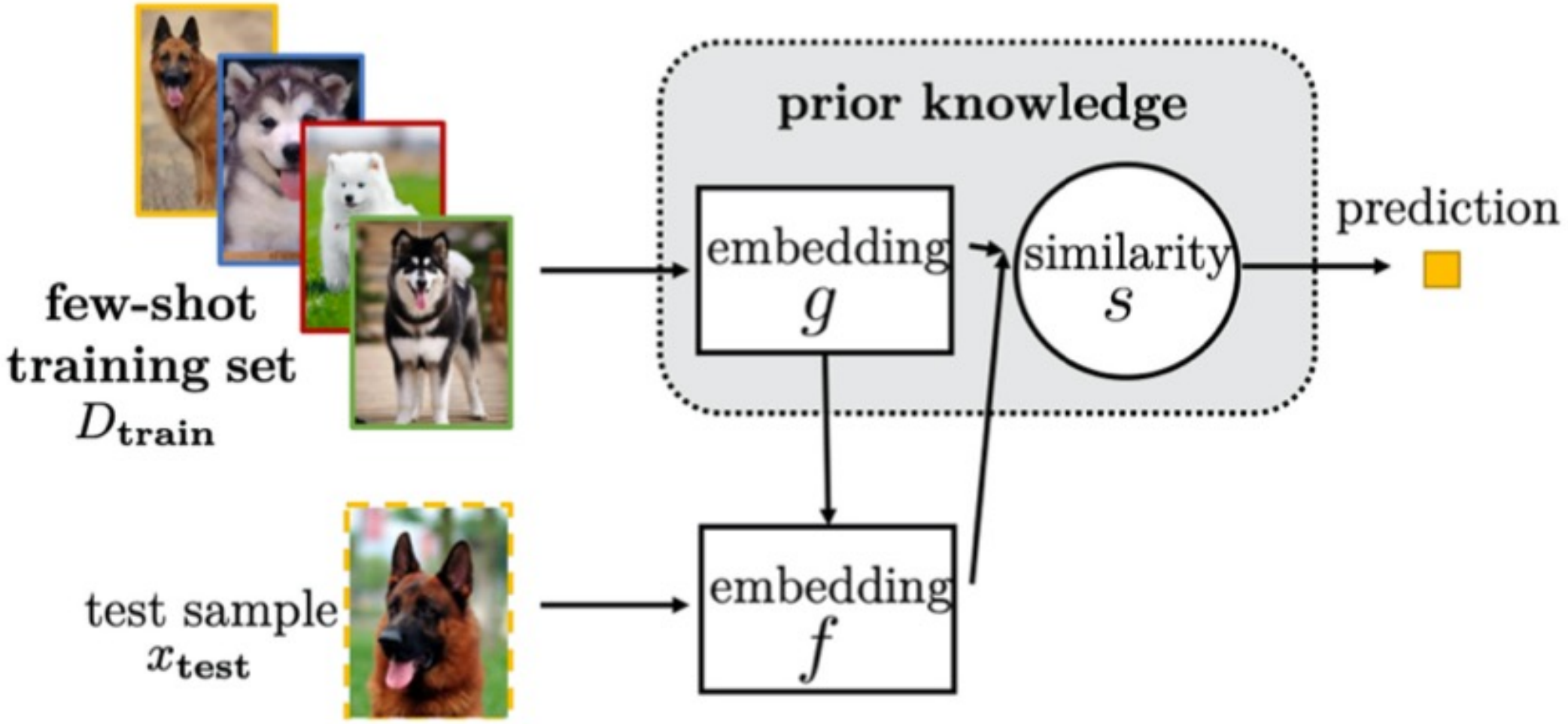

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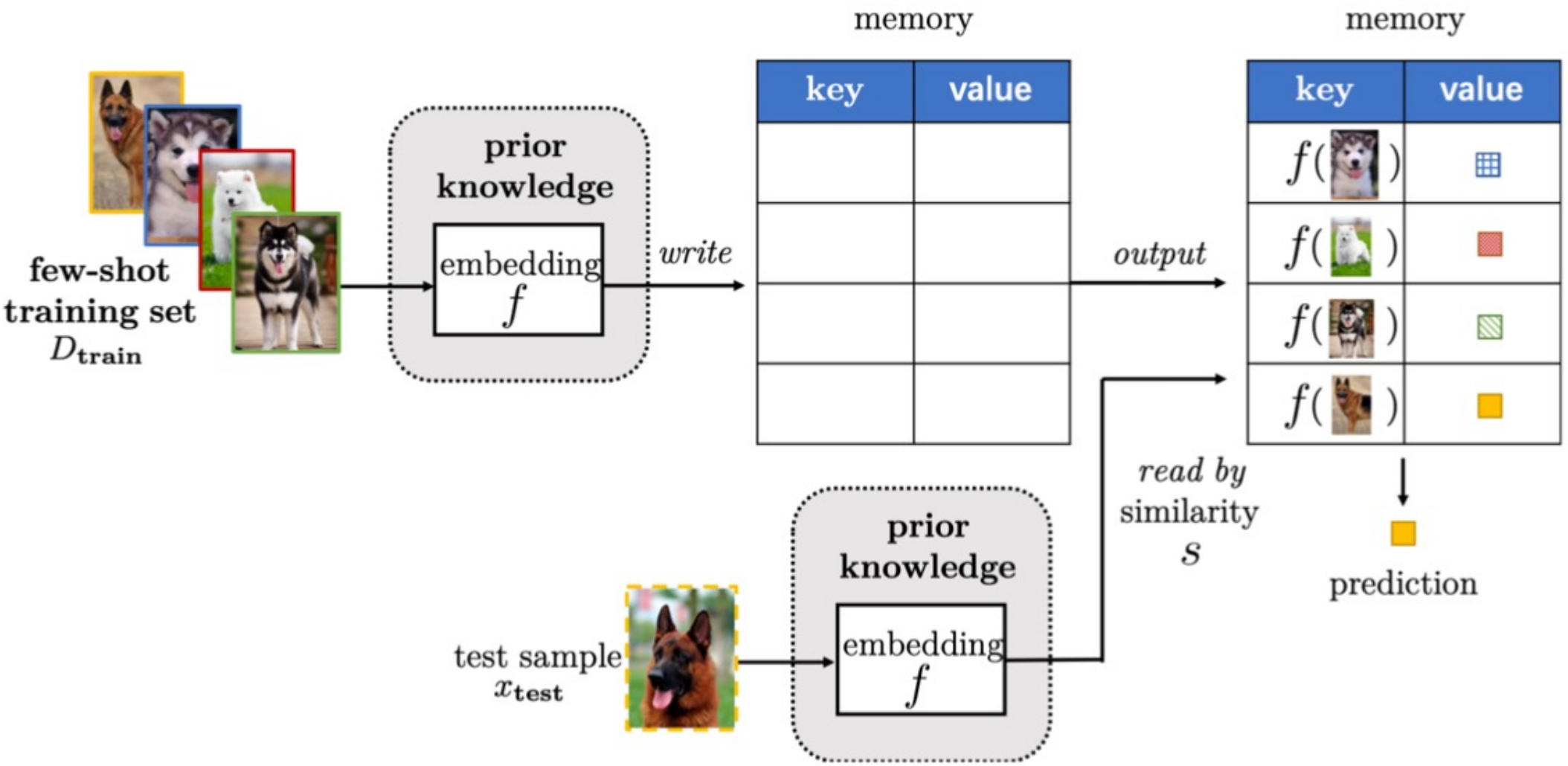

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Few-Shot Learning (FSL)

Characteristics of FSL Methods

Based on Learning with External Memory

category	method	memory M		similarity s
		key M_{key}	value M_{value}	
refining representations	MANN [114]	$f(x_i, y_{i-1})$	$f(x_i, y_{i-1})$	cosine similarity
	APL [104]	$f(x_i)$	y_i	squared ℓ_2 distance
	abstraction memory [149]	$f(x_i)$	word embedding of y_i	dot product
	CMN [164]	$f(x_i)$	y_i, age	dot product
	life-long memory [65]	$f(x_i)$	y_i, age	cosine similarity
	Mem2Vec [125]	$f(x_i)$	word embedding of y_i, age	dot product
refining parameters	MetaNet [96]	$f(x_i)$	fast weight	cosine similarity
	CSNs [97]	$f(x_i)$	fast weight	cosine similarity
	MN-Net [22]	$f(x_i)$	y_i	dot product

Here, f is an embedding function usually pre-trained by CNN or LSTM.

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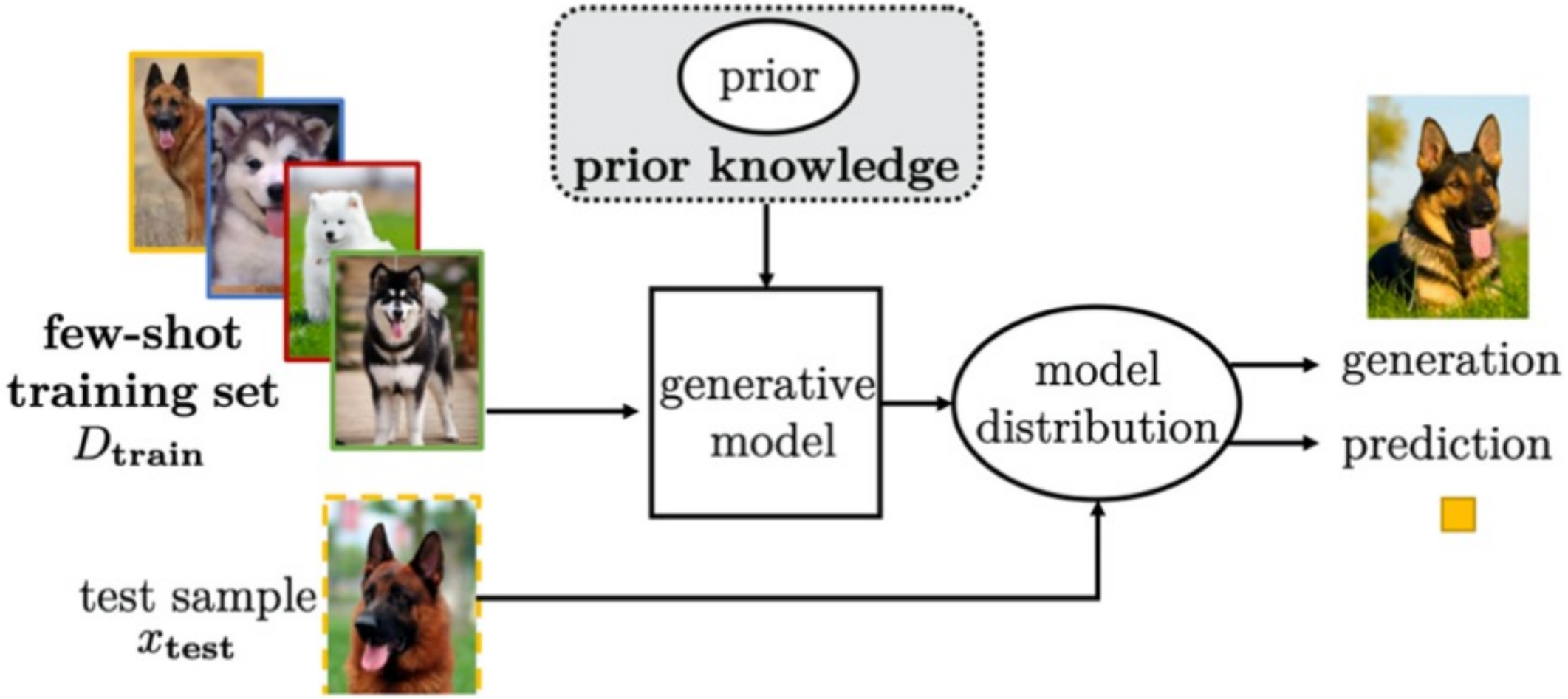
Solving the FSL problem by generative modeling



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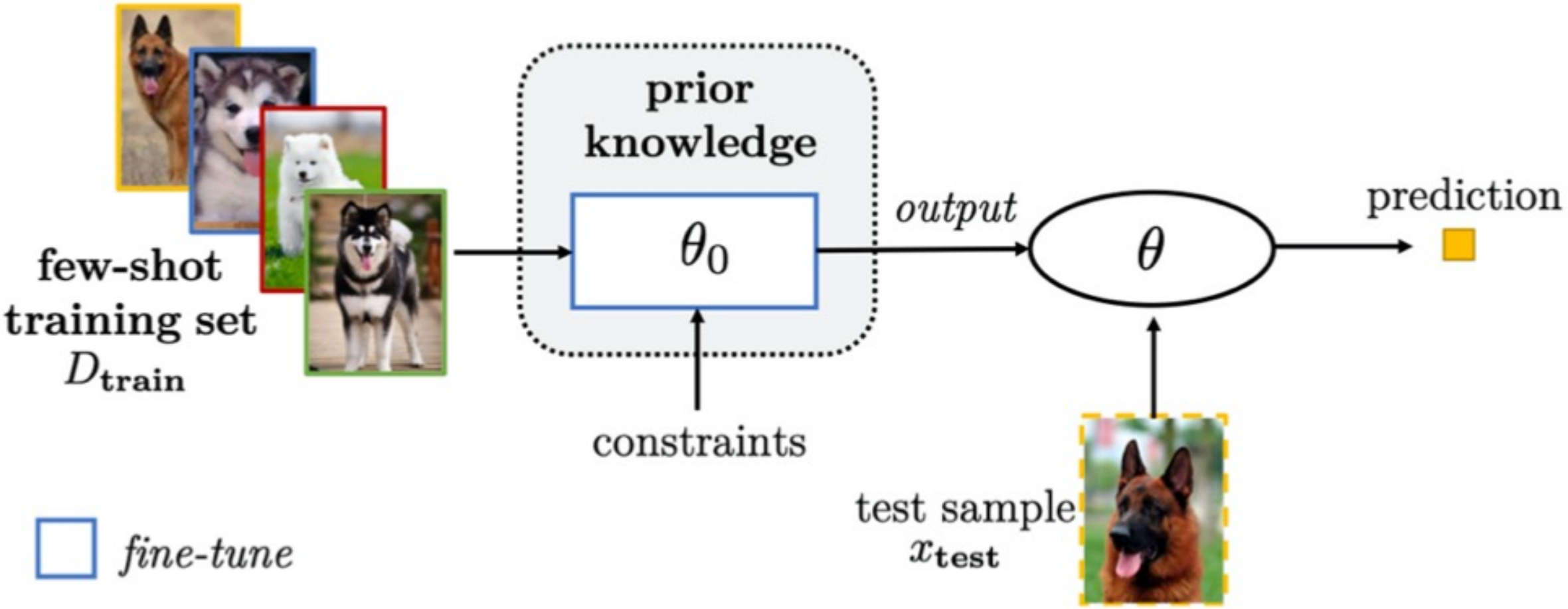
Solving the FSL problem by fine-tuning existing parameter θ_0 by regularization



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Characteristics for FSL Methods

Focusing on the Algorithm Perspective

strategy	prior knowledge	how to search θ of the h^* in $\mathcal{H}$
refining existing parameters	learned θ_0	refine θ_0 by D_{train}
refining meta-learned parameters	meta-learner	refine θ_0 by D_{train}
learning the optimizer	meta-learner	use search steps provided by the meta-learner

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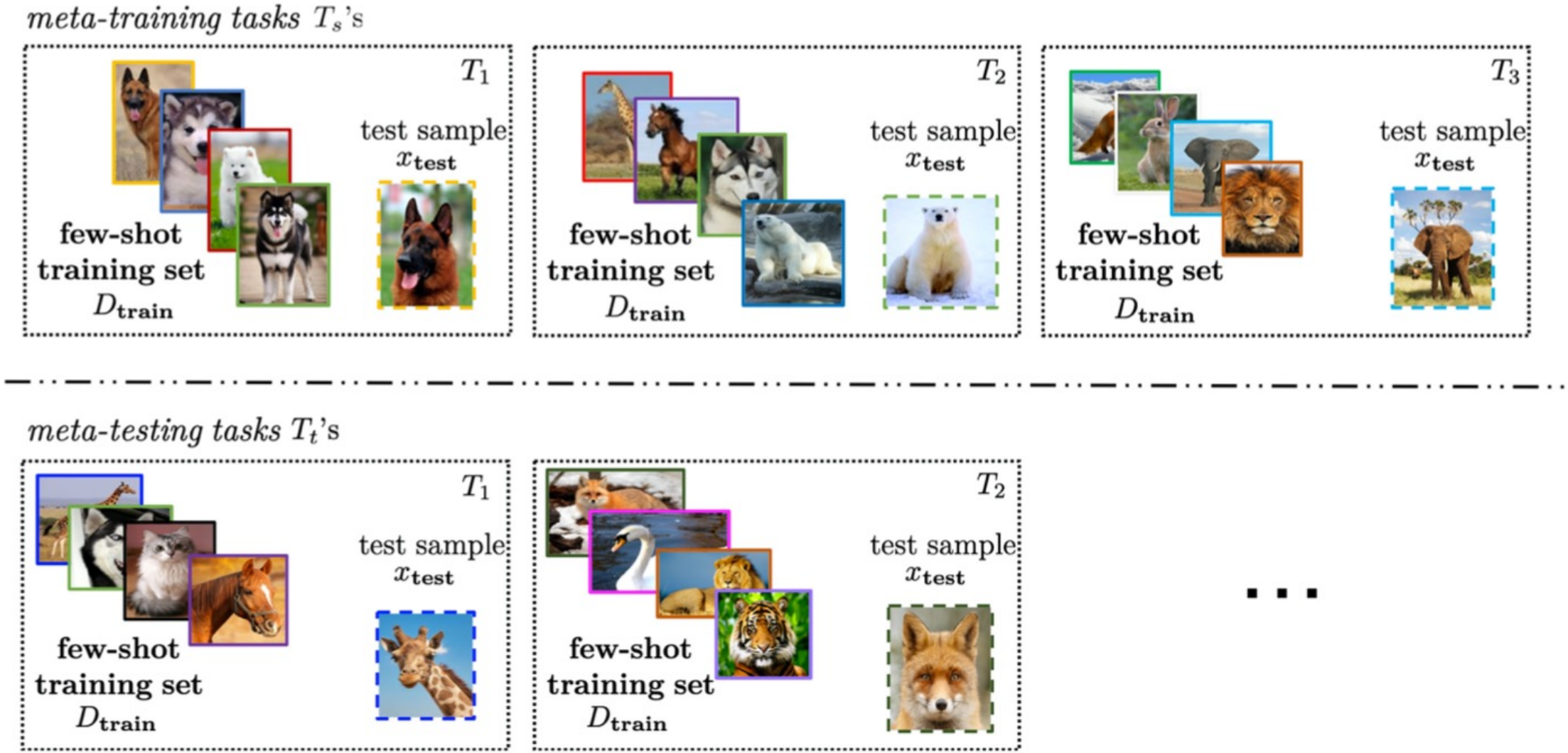
Solving the FSL problem by meta-learning



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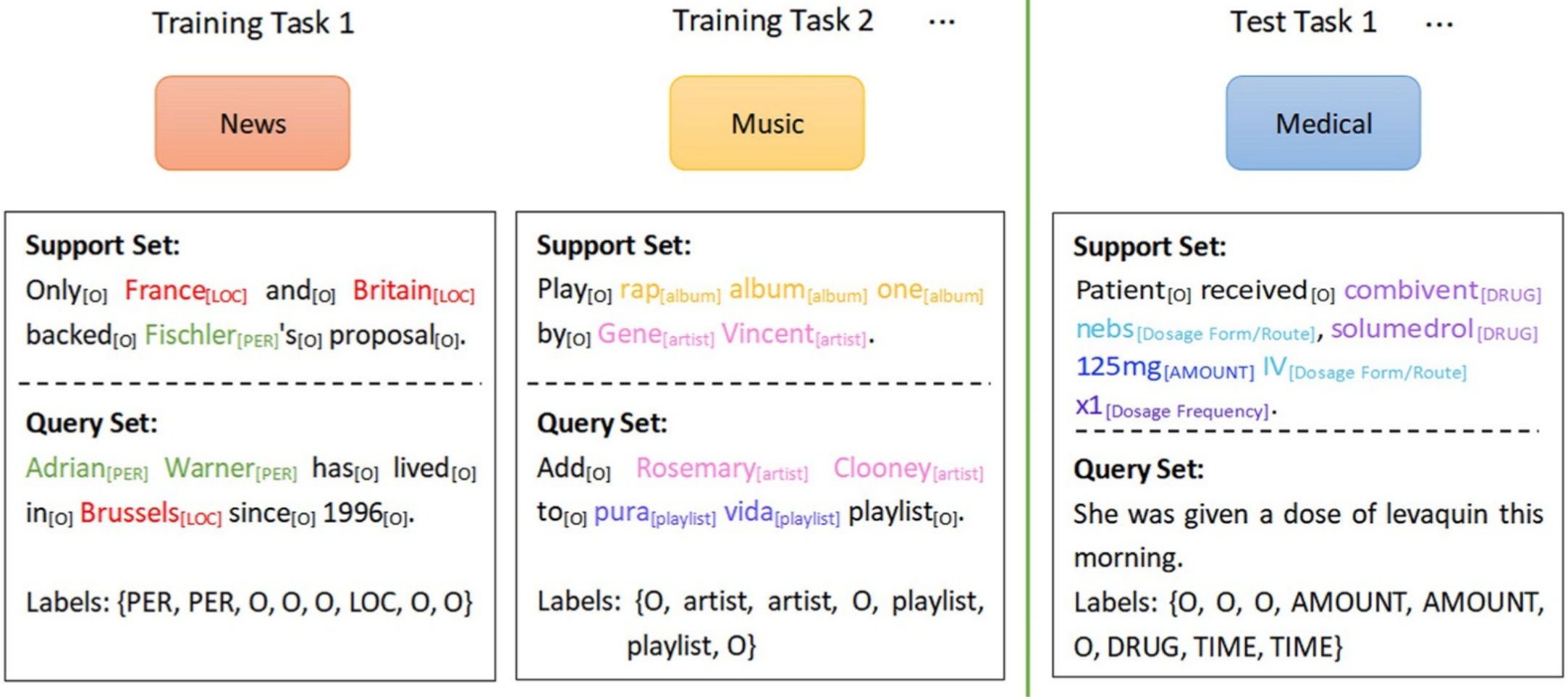
Meta-learning

Each task mimics the few-shot scenario, and can be completely non-overlapping.
Support sets are used to train; query sets are used to evaluate the model



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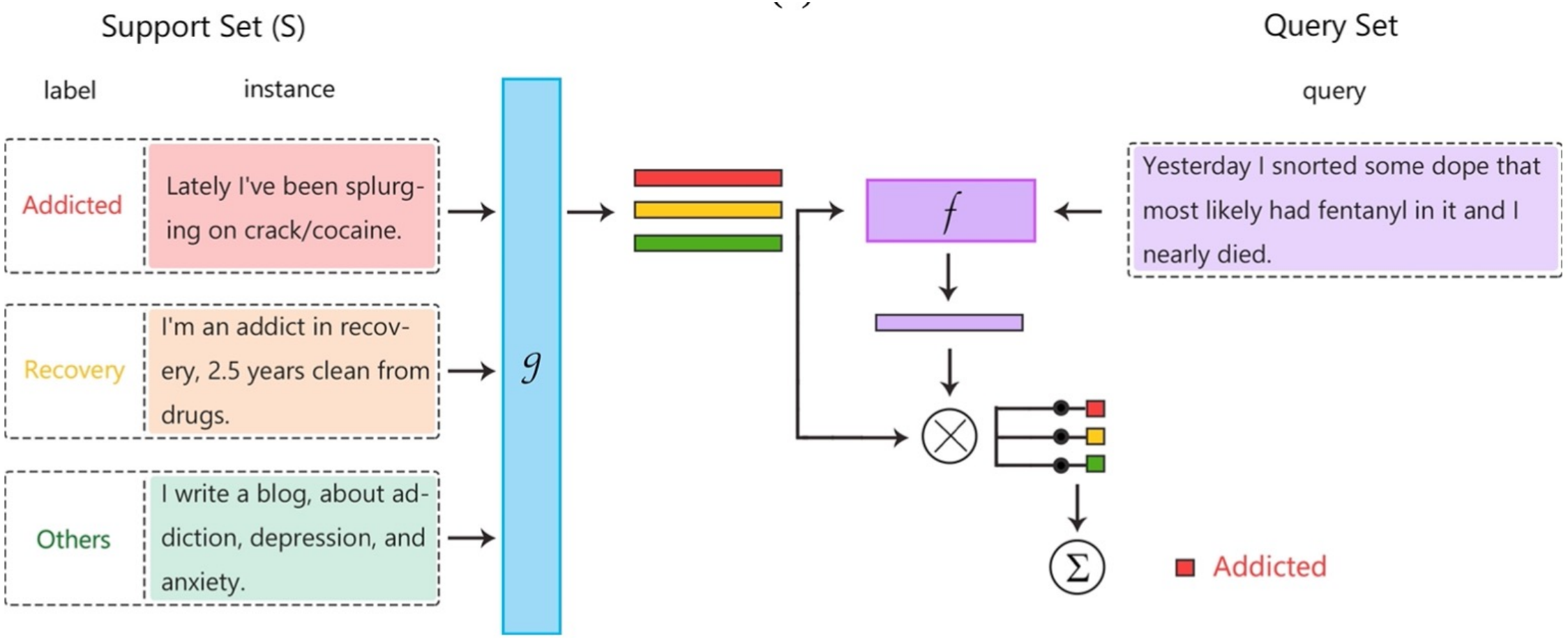
Matching networks



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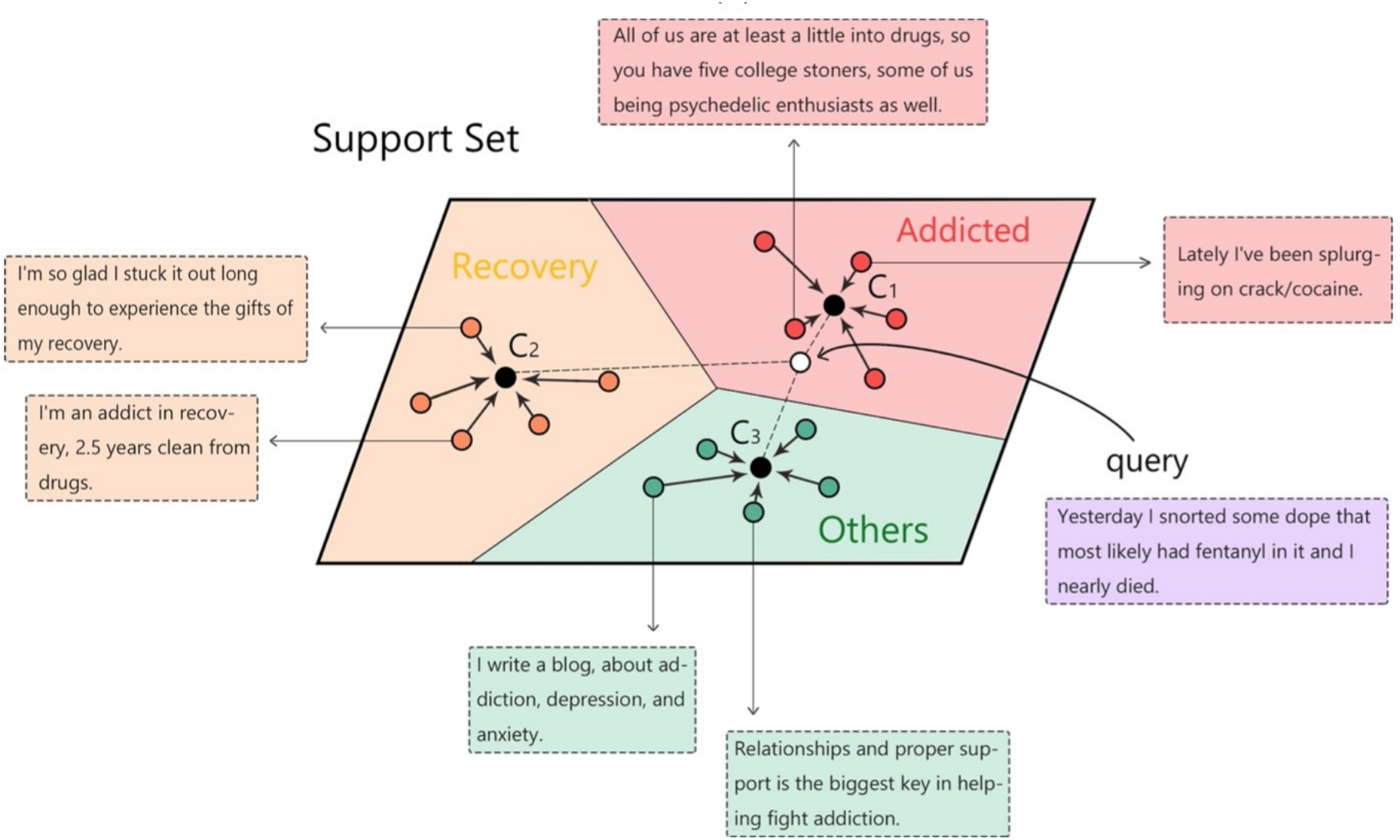
Prototypical network



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Few-Shot Learning (FSL) for medical text

Study	Year	Data source	Research aim	Size of training set	Number of entities / classes	Entity type of training domain	Entity type of test domain
Alicia Lara-Clares and Ana Garcia-Serrano[44]	2019	MEDDOCAN shared task dataset[45]	NER	500 clinical cases, with no reconstruction	29	Clinical	Clinical
Ferré et al.[46]	2019	BB-norm dataset from the Bacteria Biotope 2019 Task[47]	Entity Normalization	Original dataset with no reconstruction and zero-shot	Not mentioned *	Biological	Biological
Hou et al.[48]	2020	Snips dataset[49]	Slot Tagging (NER)	1-shot and 5-shot	7	Six of Weather, Music, PlayList, Book (including biomedical), Search Screen (including biomedical), Restaurant and Creative Work.	The remaining one
Sharaf et al.[50]	2020	ten different datasets collected from the Open Parallel Corpus (OPUS)[51]	Neural Machine Translation (NMT)	Sizes ranging from 4k to 64k training words (200 to 3200 sentences), but reconstructed	N/A †	Bible, European Central Bank, KDE, Quran, WMT news test sets, Books, European Medicines Agency (EMEA), Global Voices, Medical (ufal-Med), TED talks	Bible, European Central Bank, KDE, Quran, WMT news test sets, Books, European Medicines Agency (EMEA), Global Voices, Medical (ufal-Med), TED talks
Lu et al.[52]	2020	MIMIC II[22] and MIMIC III[23], and EU legislation dataset[53]	Multi-label Text Classification	5-shot for MIMIC II and III, 50-shot for EU legislation	MIMIC II: 9 MIMIC III: 15 EU legis-lation: 5	Medical	Medical

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Lu et al.[80]	2021	Constructed and shared a novel dataset [††] based on Weibo for the research of few-shot rumor detection, and use PHEME dataset[81]	Rumor Detection (NER)	For the Weibo dataset: 2-way 3-event 5-shot 9-query; for PHEME dataset: 2-way 2-event 5-shot 9-query	Weibo: 14 PHEME: 5	Source posts and comments from Sina Weibo related to COVID-19	Source posts and comments from Sina Weibo related to COVID-19
Ma et al.[82]	2021	CCLE, CERES-correctedCRISPR gene disruption scores, GDSC1000 dataset, PDTC dataset and PDX dataset[‡‡]	Drug-response Predictions	1-shot, 2-shot, 5-shot and 10-shot	N/A[†]	Biomedical	Biomedical
Kormilitzin et al.[83]	2021	MIMIC-III[23] and UK-CRIS datasets[30,31]	NER	25%, 50%, 75% and 100% of the training set, with no reconstruction	7	Electronic health record	Electronic health record
Guo et al.[84]	2021	Abstracts of biomedicalliteratures (from relation extraction task of BioNLP Shared Task 2011 and 2019[47]) and structured biological datasets	NER	100%, 75%, 50%, 25%, 0% of training set, with no reconstruction	Not mentioned *	Biomedical entities	Biomedical entities
Lee et al.[85]	2021	COVID19-Scientific[86], COVID19-Social[87] (fact-checked by journalists from a website called Politi-fact.com), FEVER[88] (Fact Extraction and Verification, generated by altering sentences extracted from Wiki-pedia to promote research onfact-checking systems)	Fact-Checking (close to Text Classification)	2-shot, 10-shot and 50-shot	Not mentioned *	Facts about COVID-19	Facts about COVID-19

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Multimodal Few-Shot Learning with Frozen Language Models

Curated samples with about five seeds required to get past well-known language model failure modes of either repeating text for the prompt or emitting text that does not pertain to the image.

These samples demonstrate the ability to generate open-ended outputs that adapt to both images and text, and to make use of facts that it has learned during language-only pre-training.

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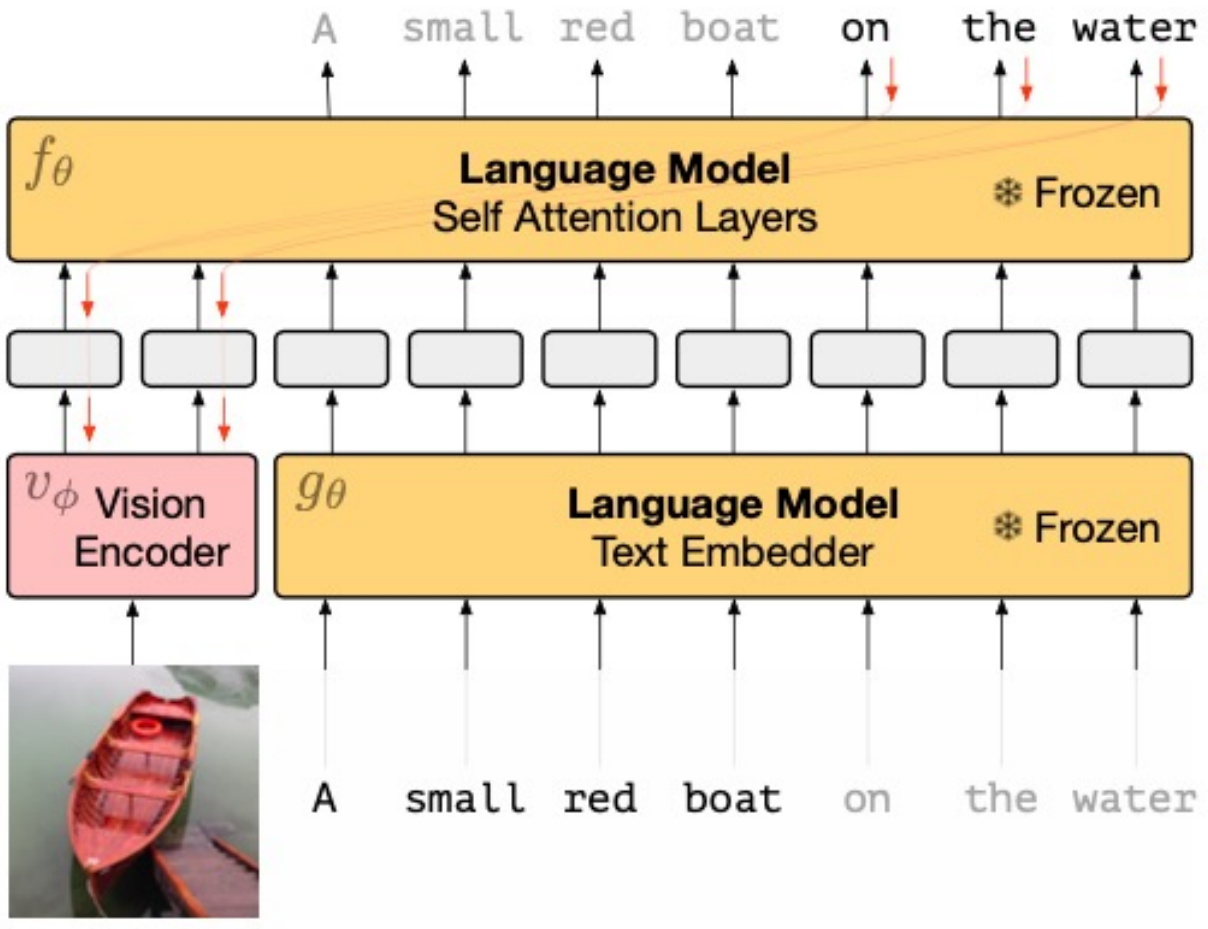

Gradients through a frozen language model's self attention layers are used to train the vision encoder.

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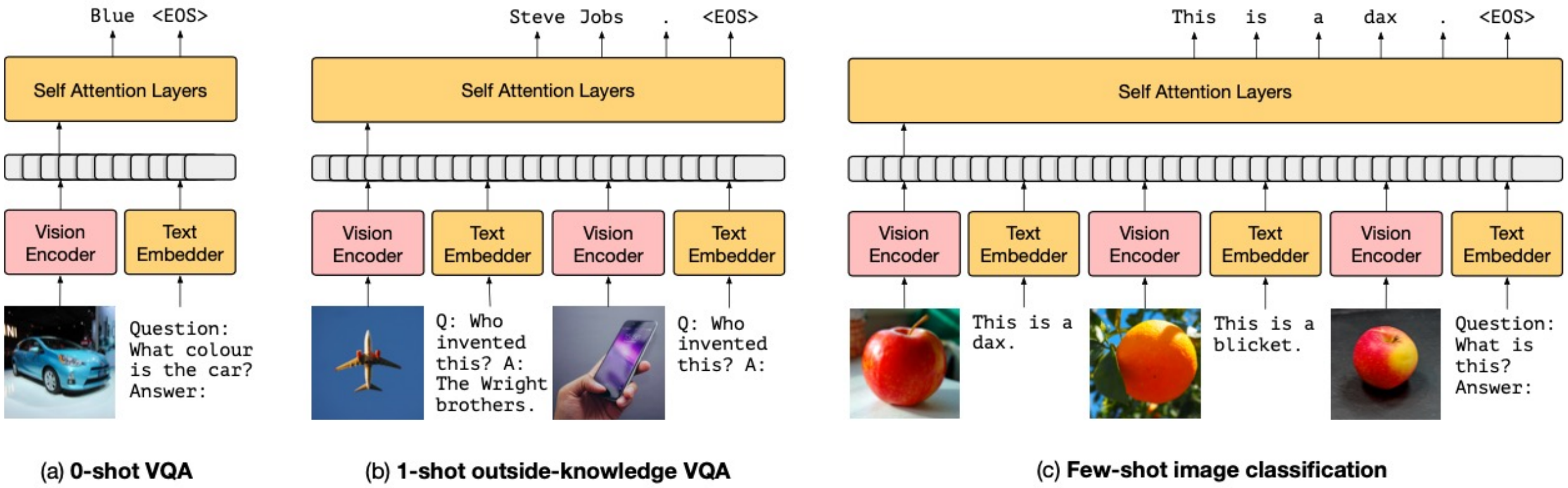

Inference-Time interface for *Frozen*. The figure demonstrates how we can support (a) visual question answering, (b) outside-knowledge question answering and (c) few-shot image classification via in-context learning.

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Examples of (a) the Open-Ended miniImageNet evaluation (b) the Fast VQA evaluation.

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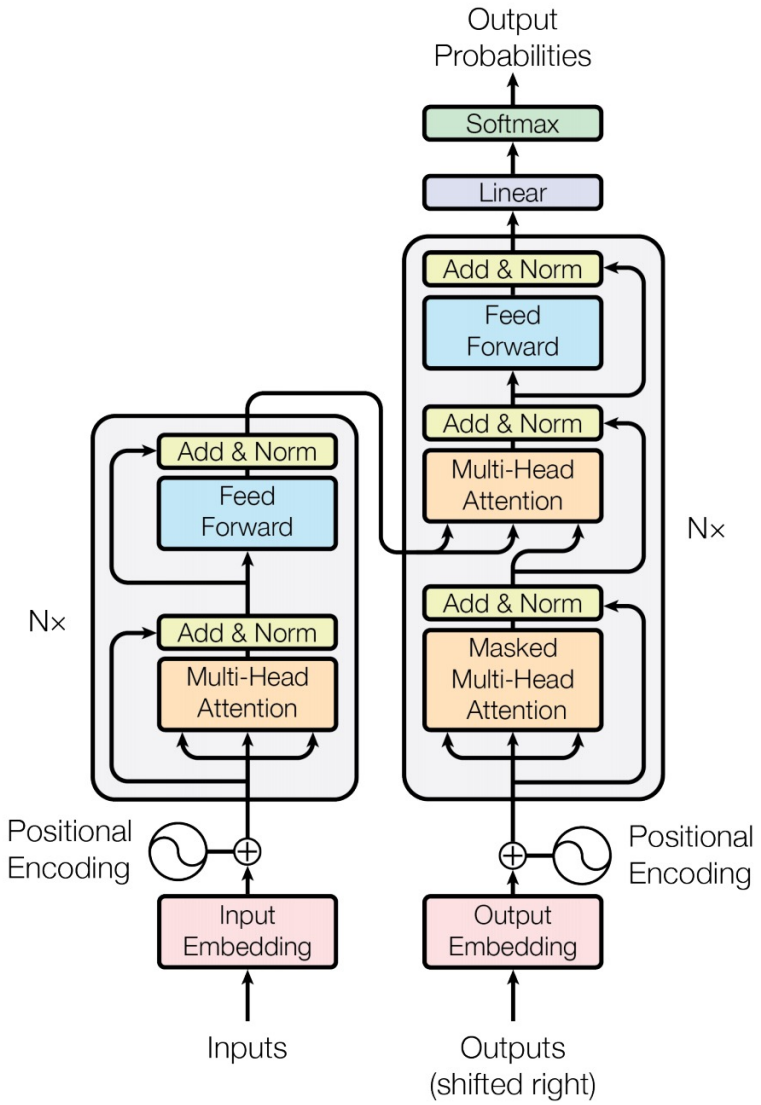
Transformer (Attention is All You Need)

(Vaswani et al., 2017)



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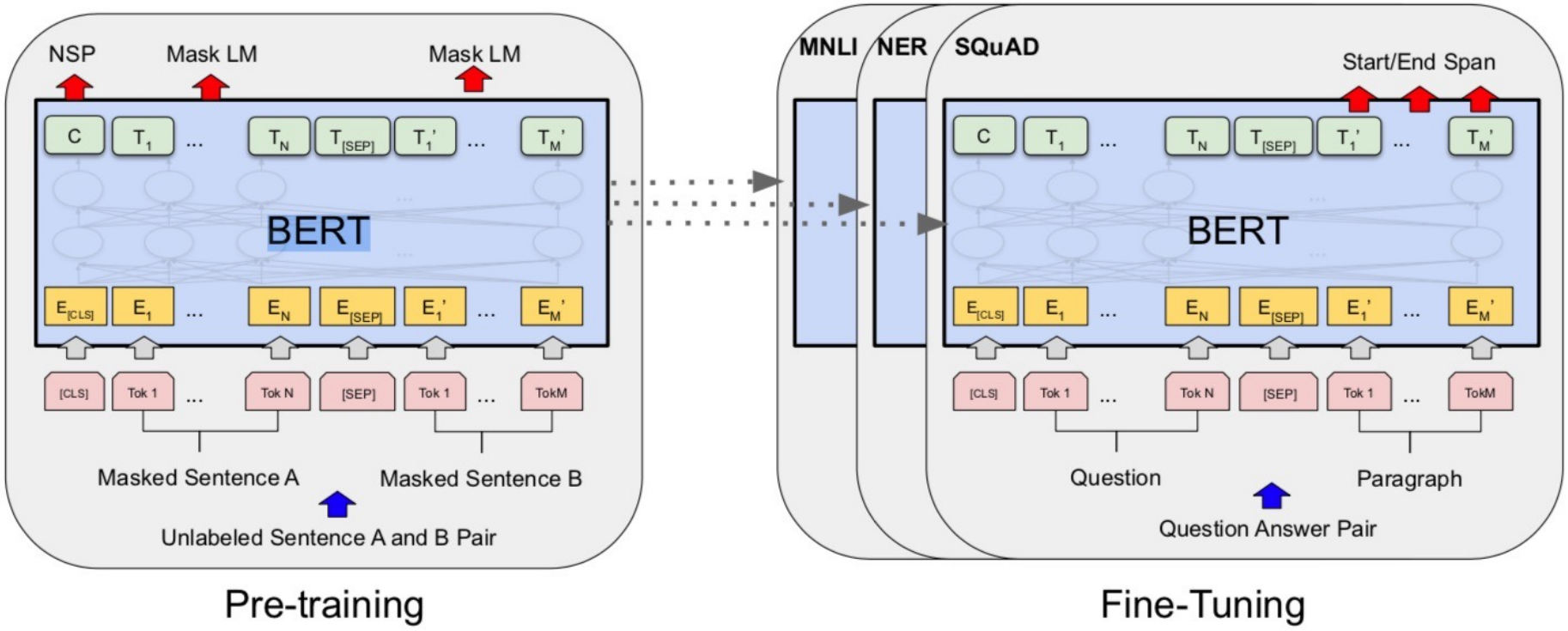
BERT: Pre-training of Deep Bidirectional Transformers for Language Understanding

BERT (Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers)

Overall pre-training and fine-tuning procedures for BERT



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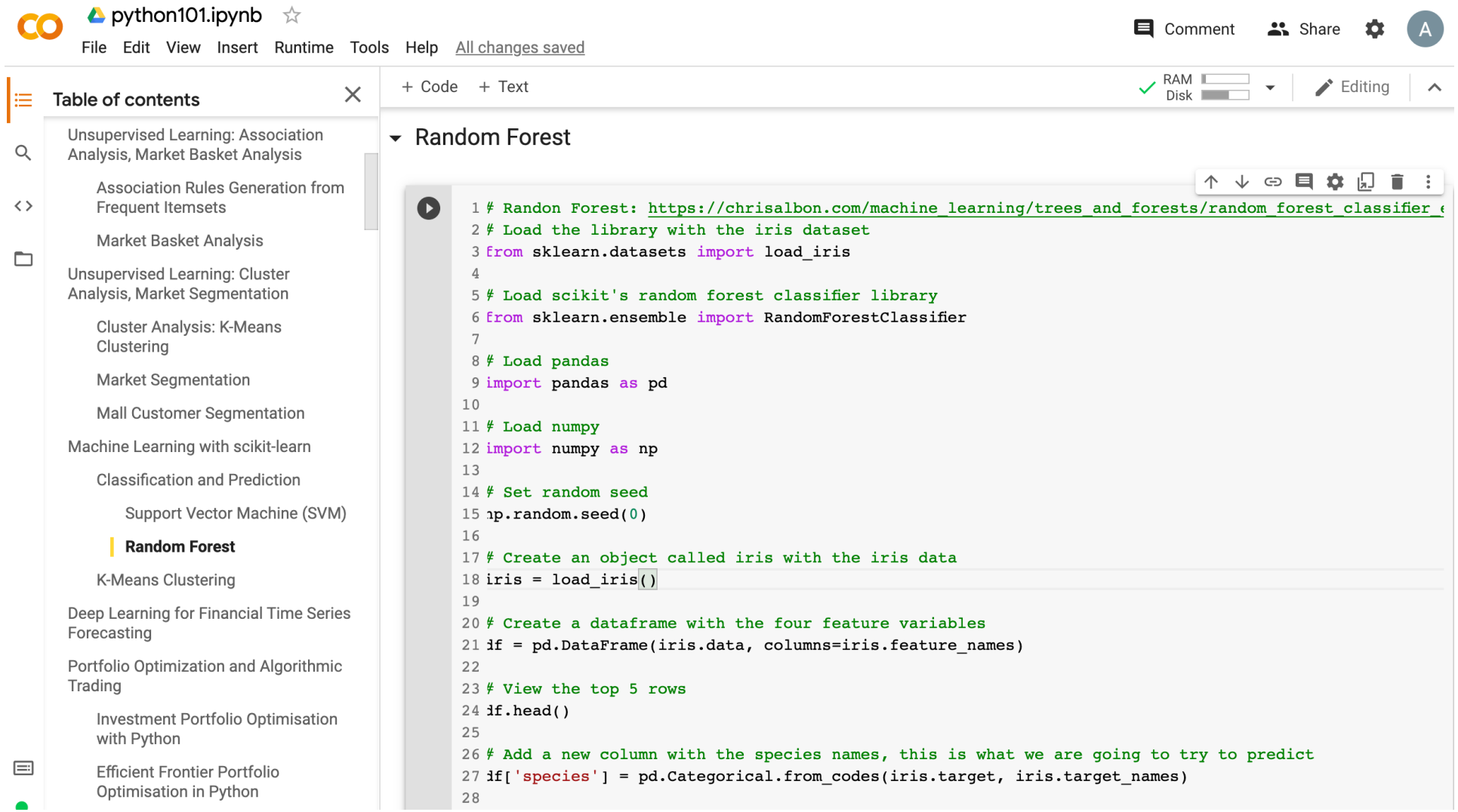

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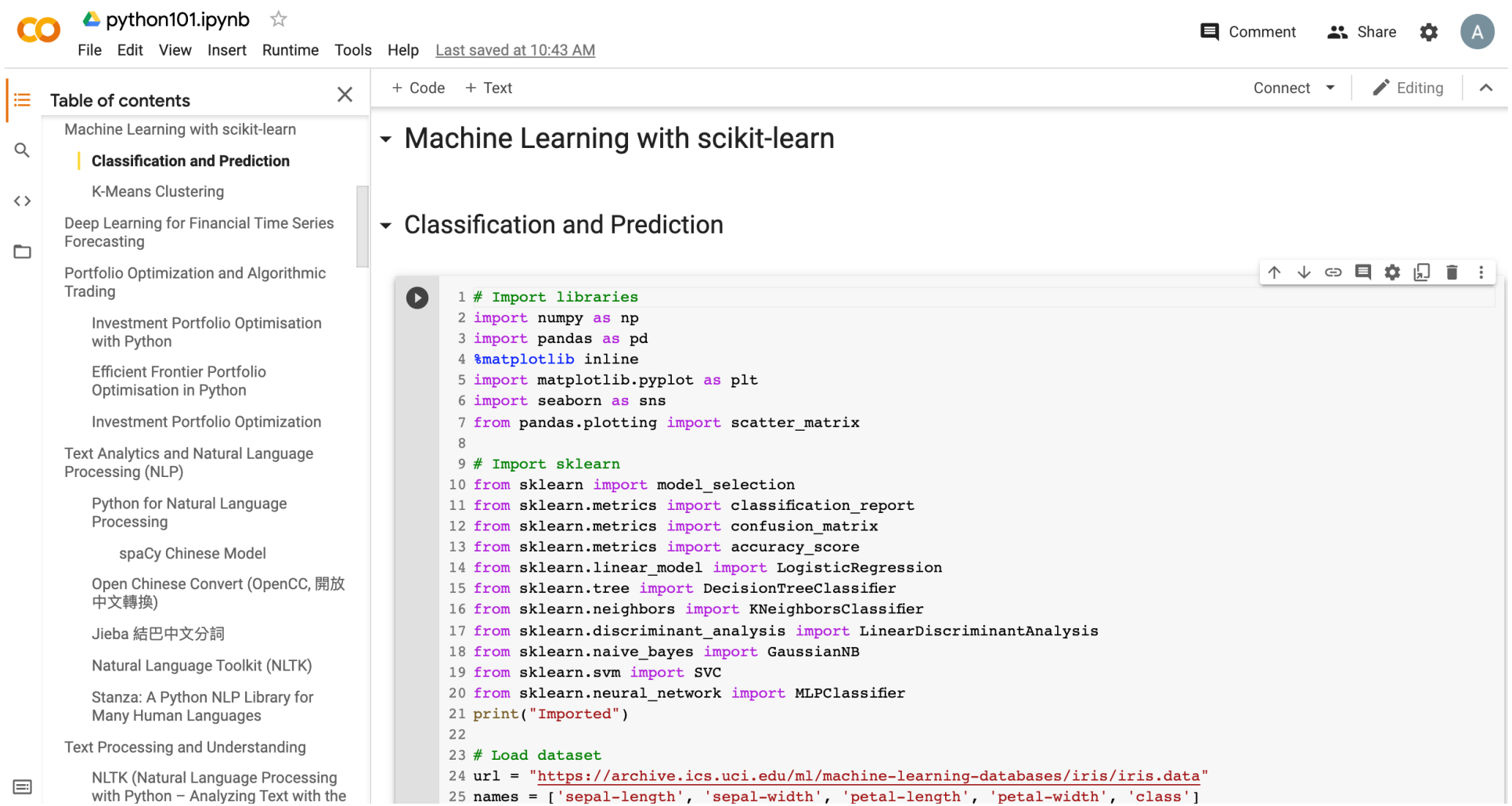

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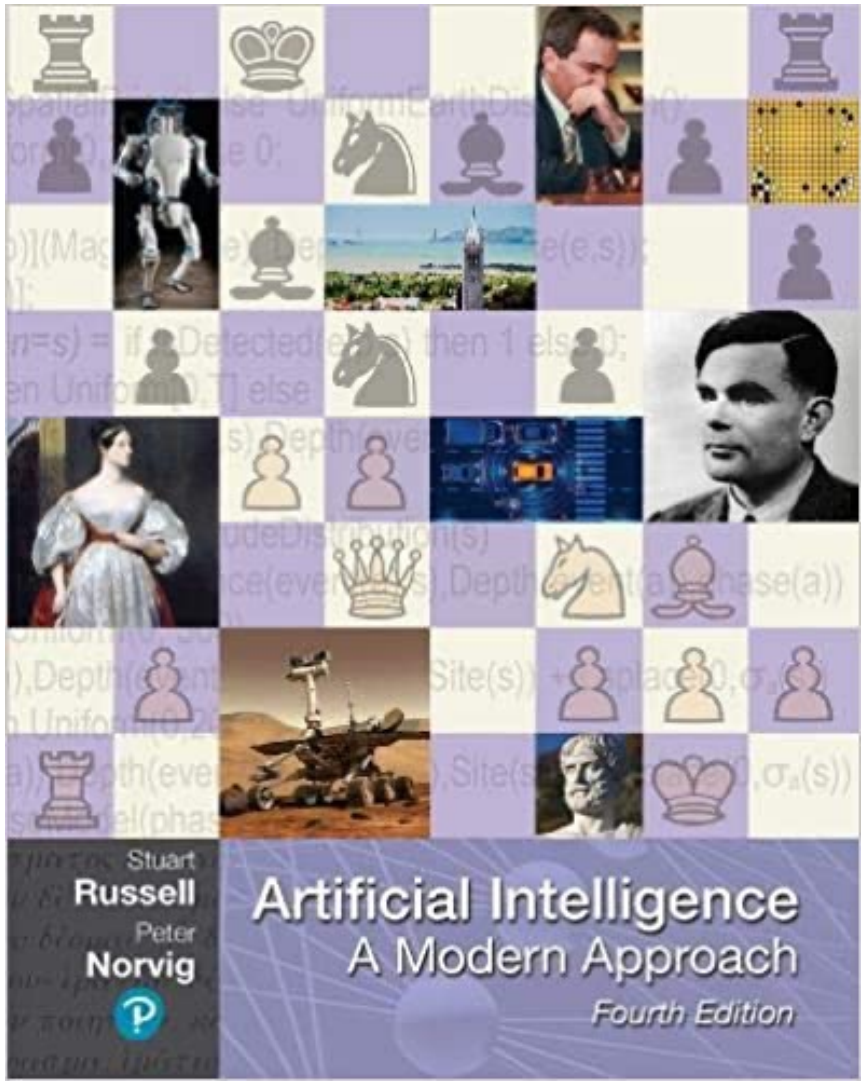

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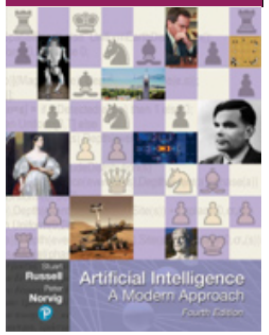

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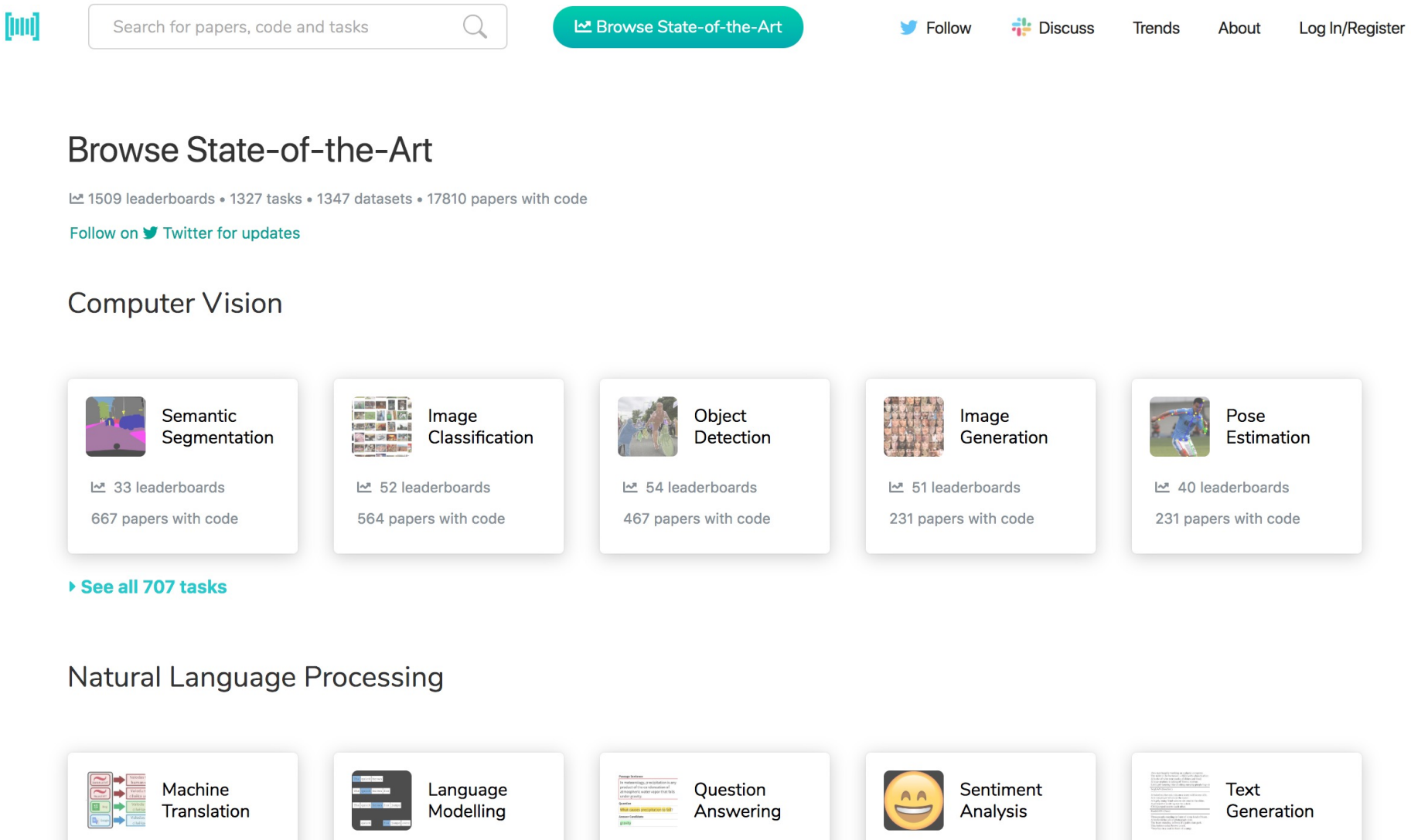

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