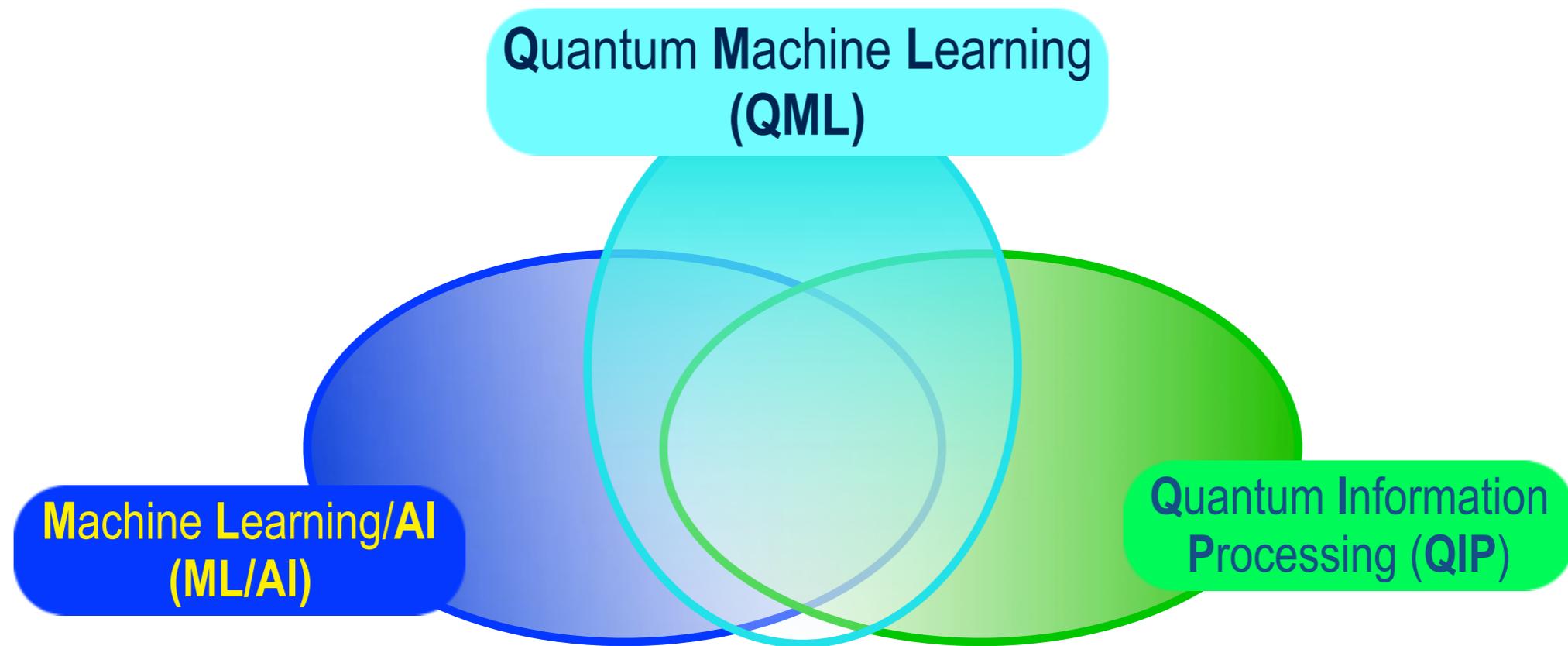


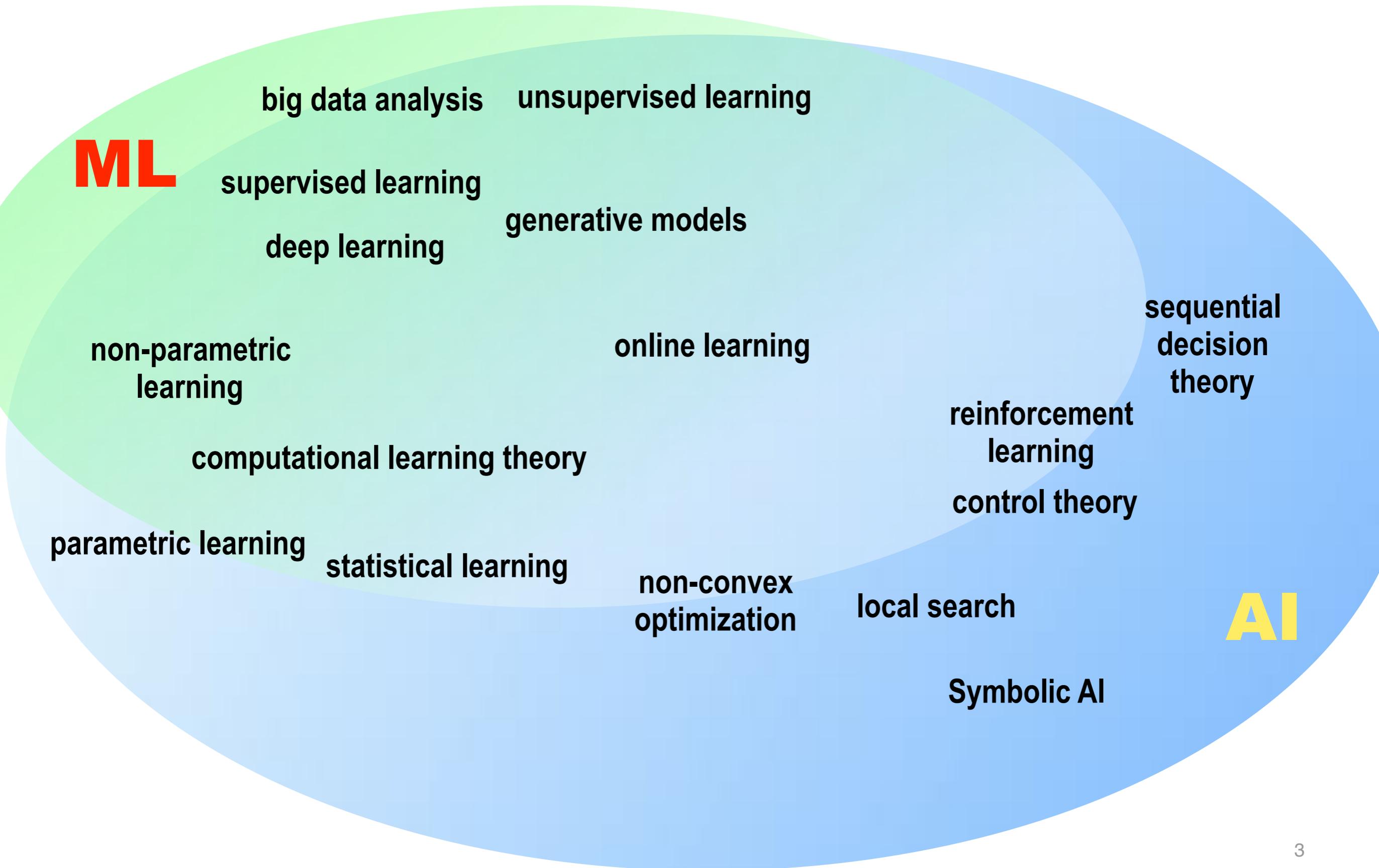
# Topics in Quantum Machine Learning

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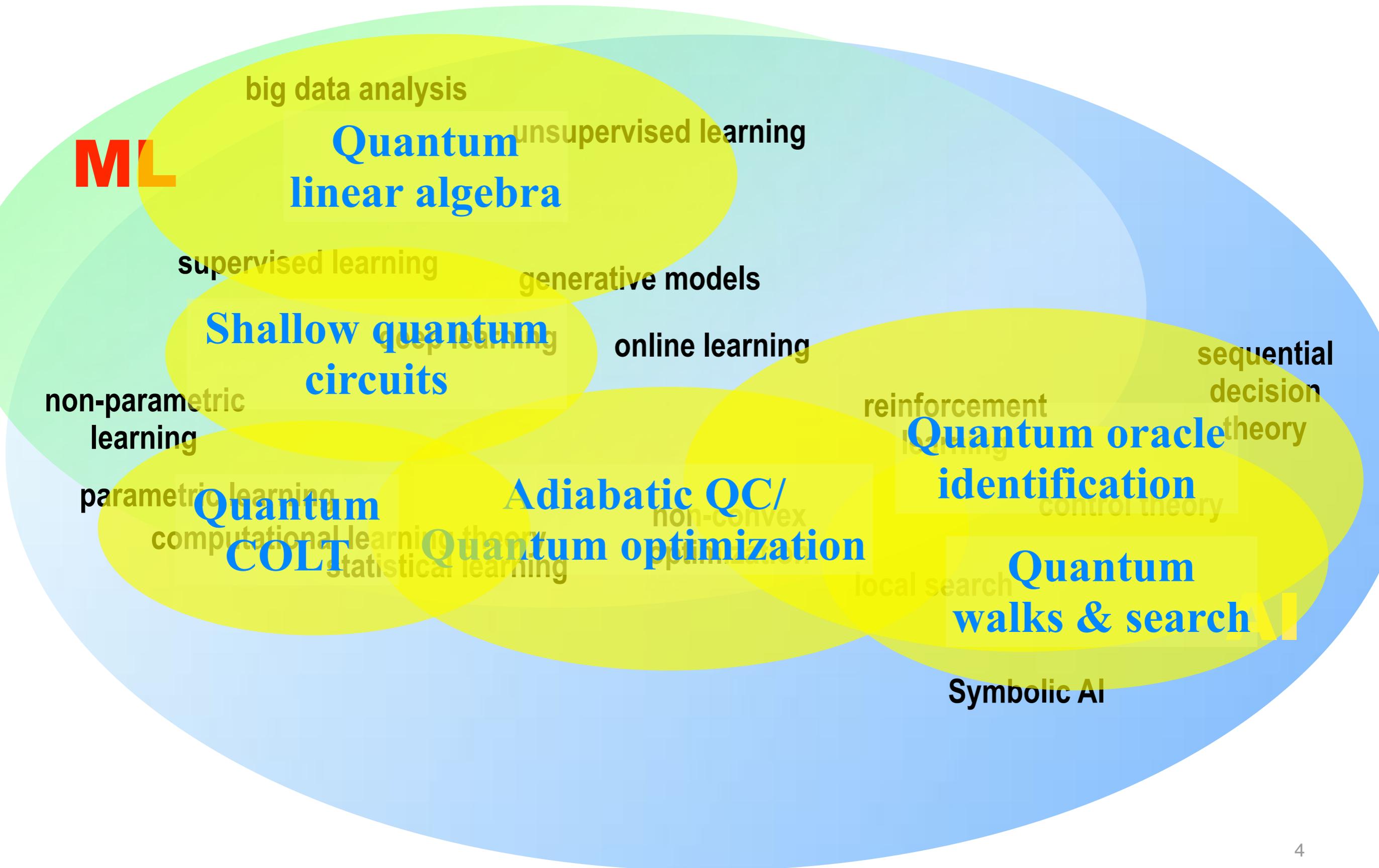


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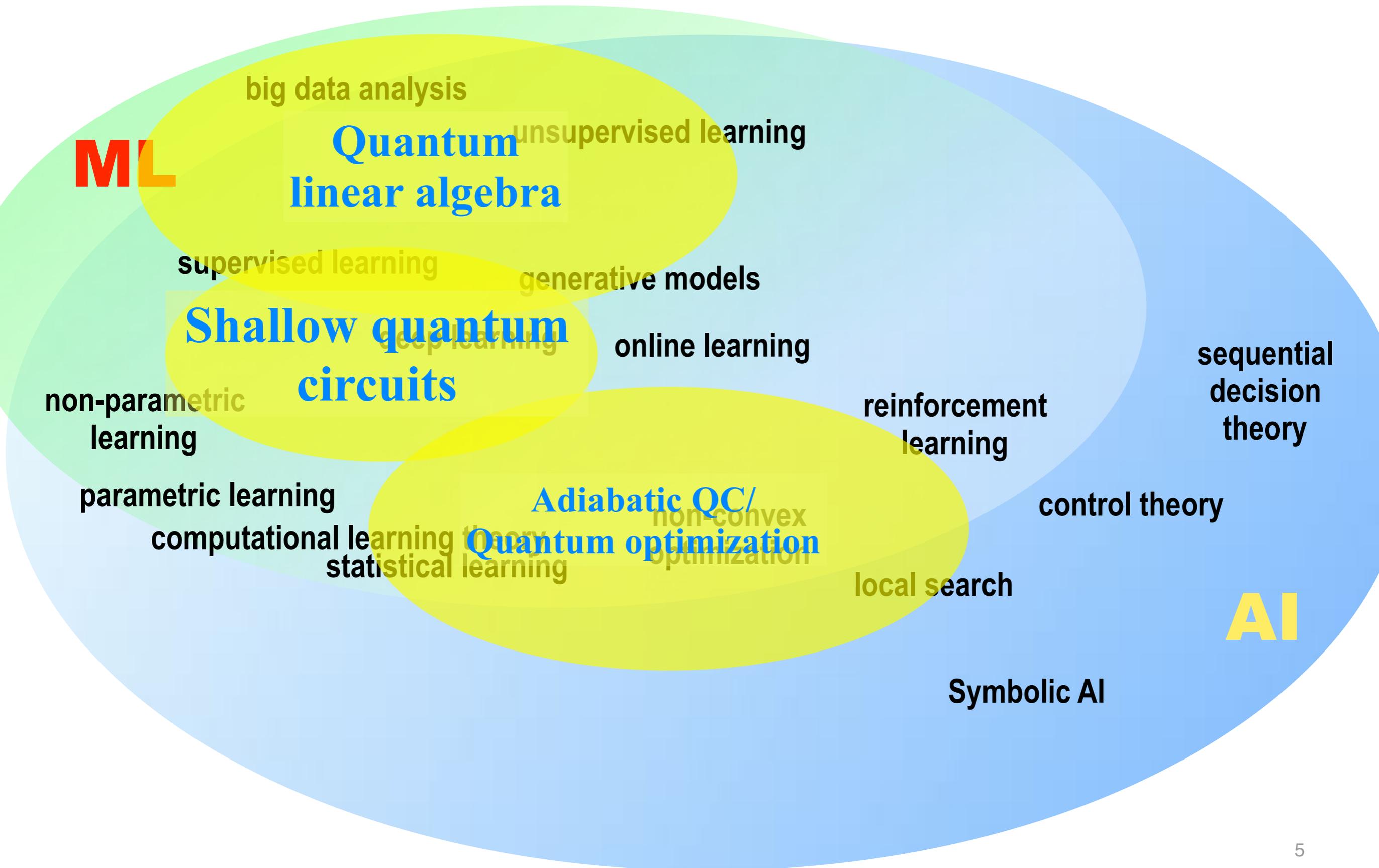
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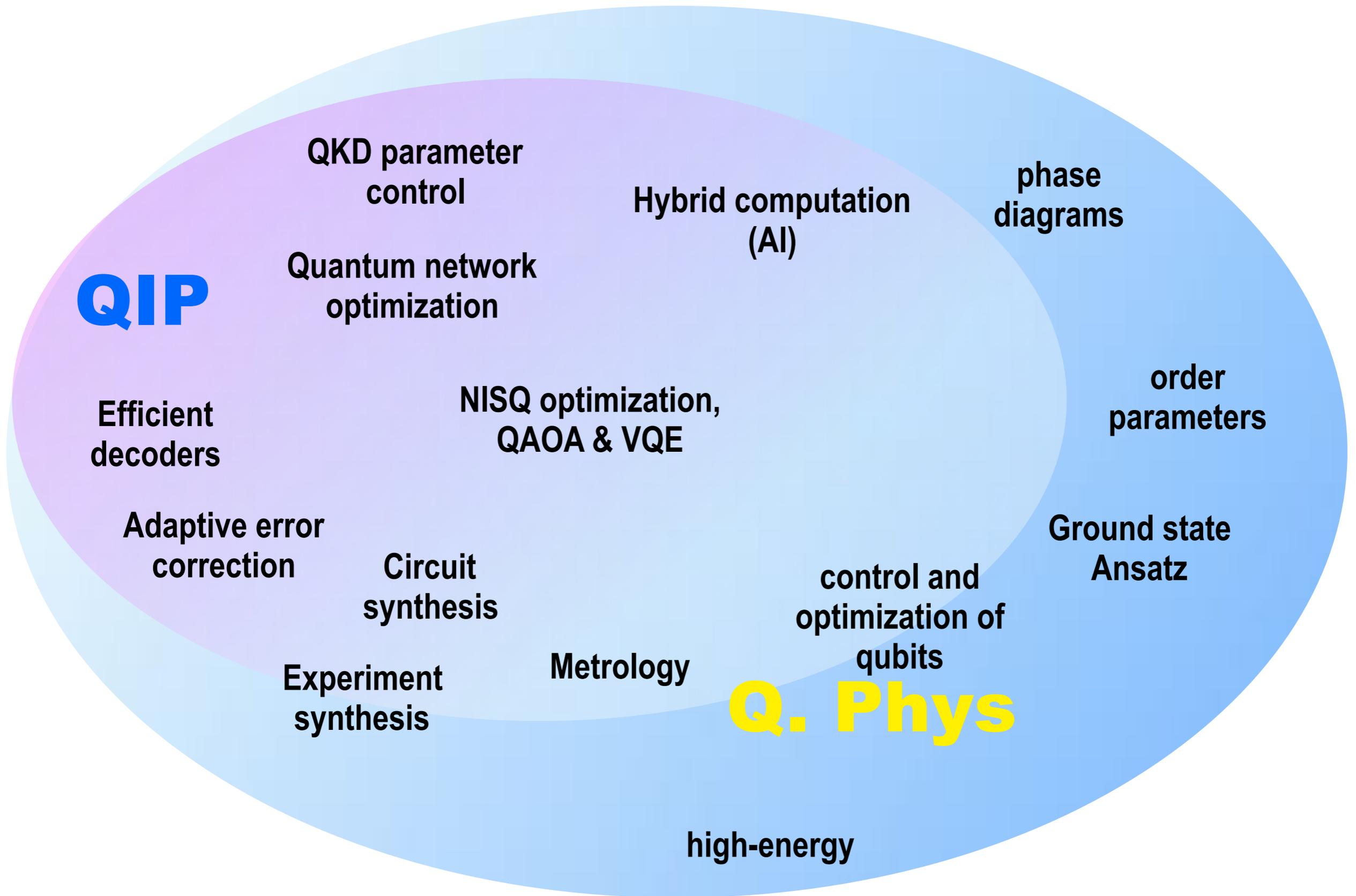
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# And then there's Quantum-applied ML!



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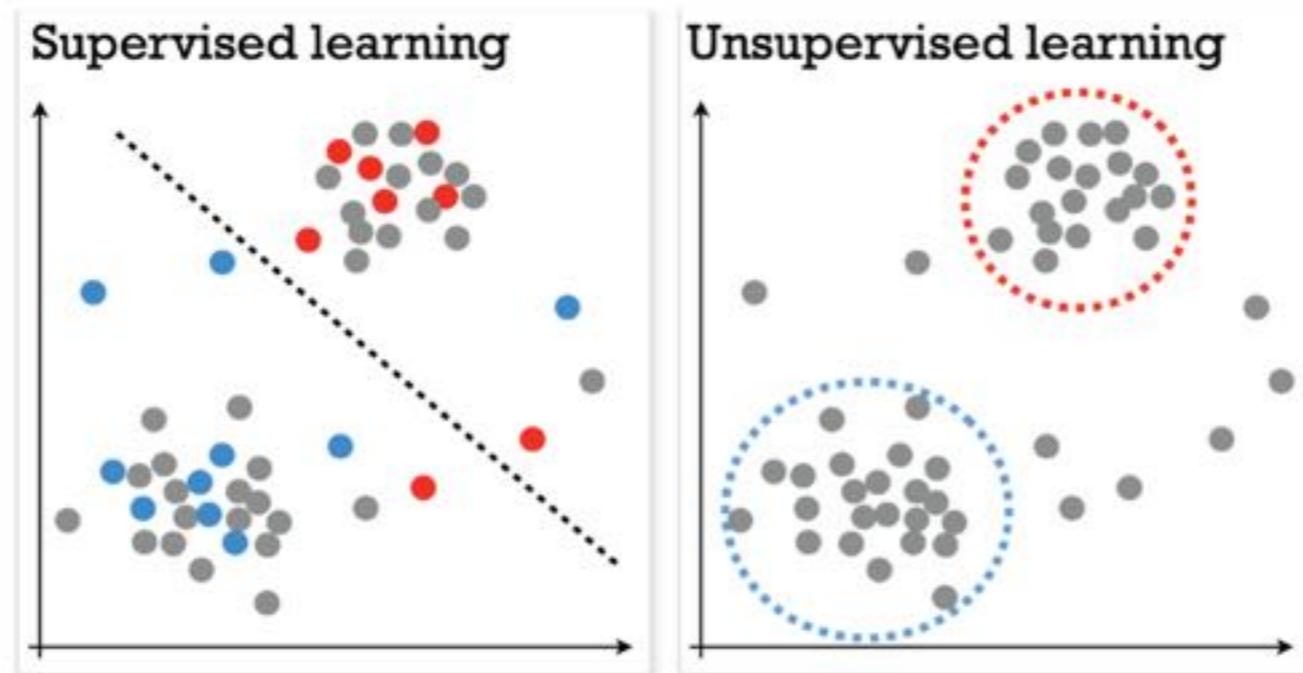
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# What is machine learning

# Machine Learning: the **WHAT**



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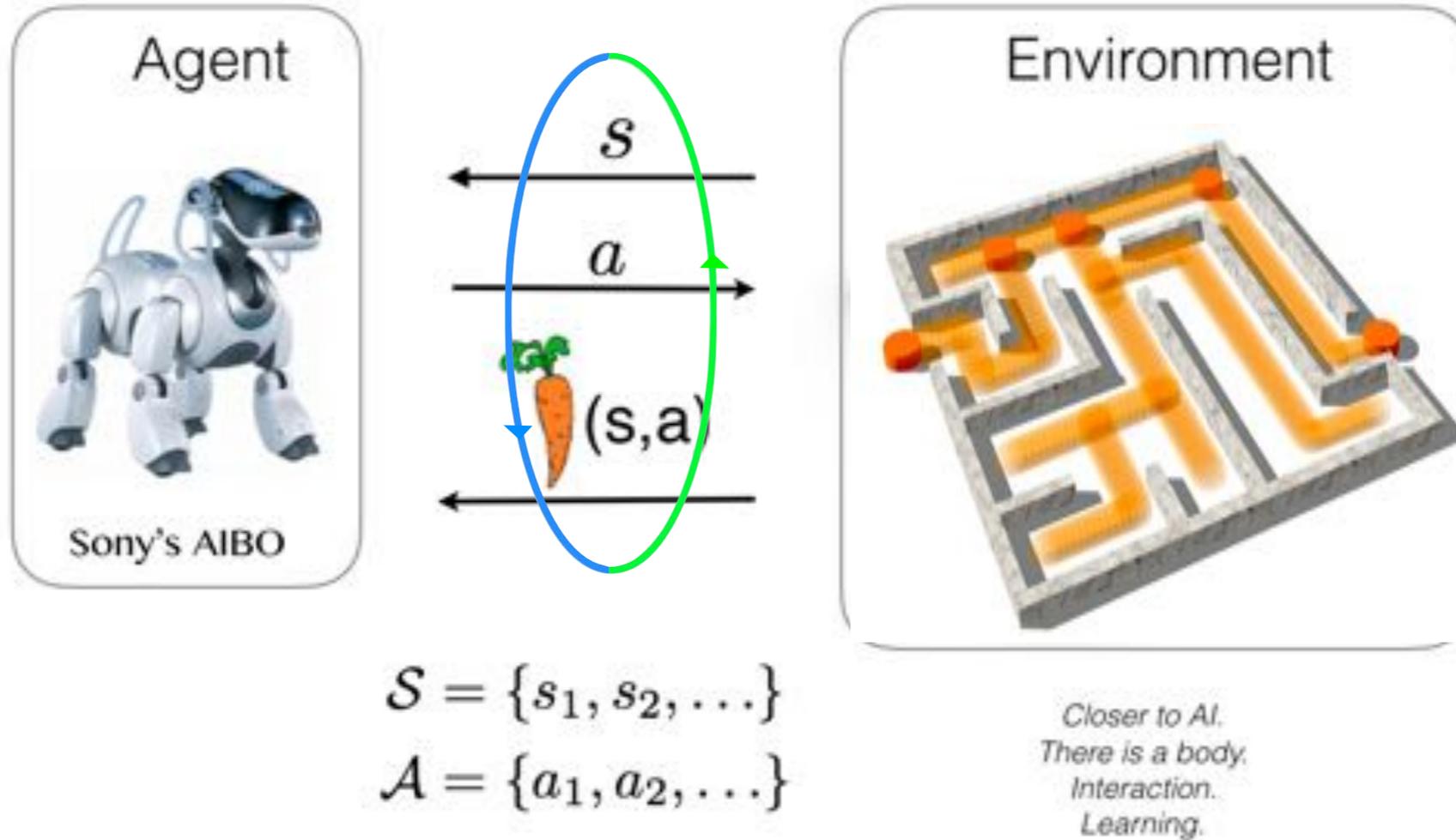
Learning  $P(\text{labels}|\text{data})$  given samples from  $P(\text{data}, \text{labels})$   
(also regression)

- generative models
- clustering (discriminative)
- feature extraction

Learning structure in  $P(\text{data})$   
give samples from  $P(\text{data})$

# Machine Learning: the **WHAT**

Beyond data: *reinforcement learning*

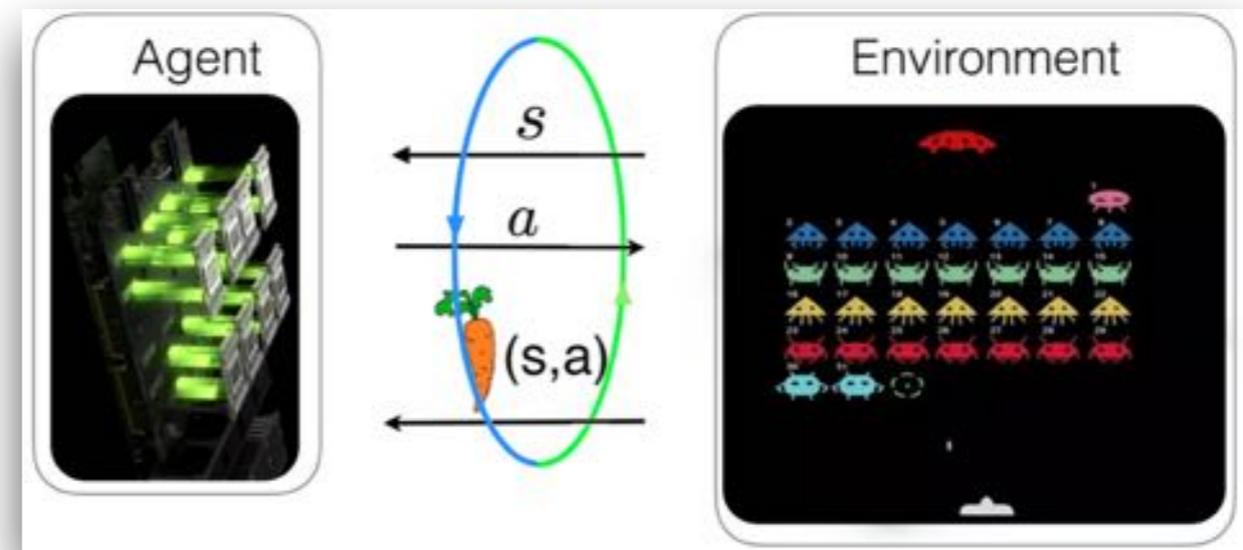
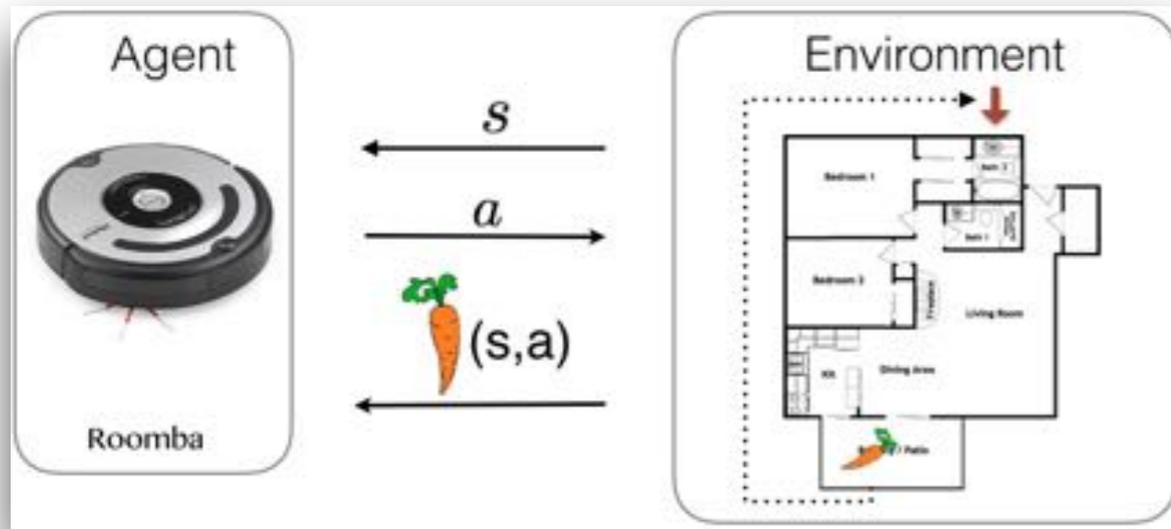
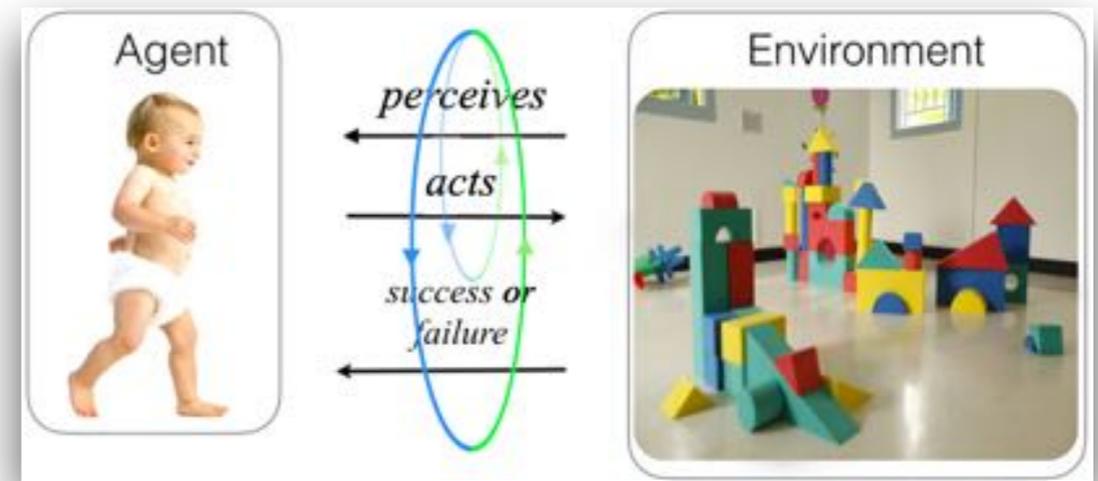
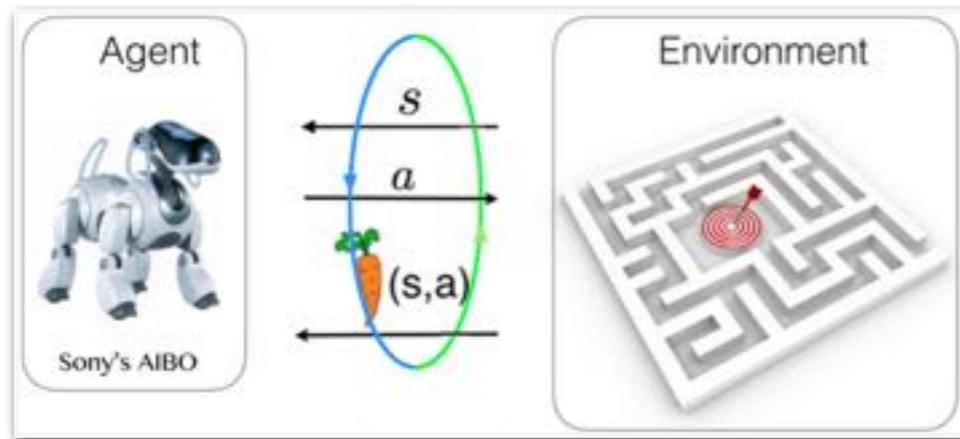


$$\mathcal{S} = \{s_1, s_2, \dots\}$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$$

$$\pi(a|s)$$

$$T(s|s', a)$$

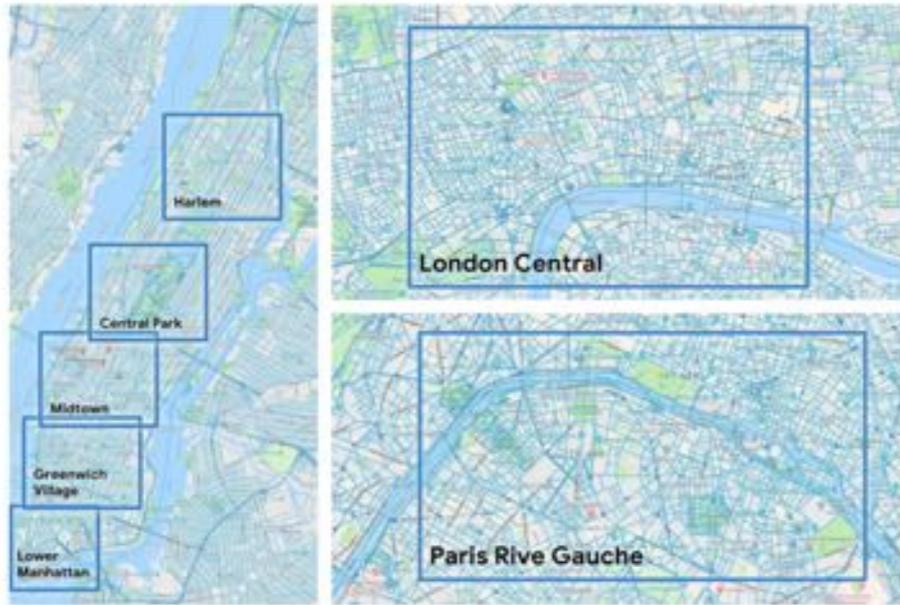


Also: MIT technology review breakthrough technology of 2017  
 [AlphaGo anyone?]



# Using RL in Real Life

Navigating a city...

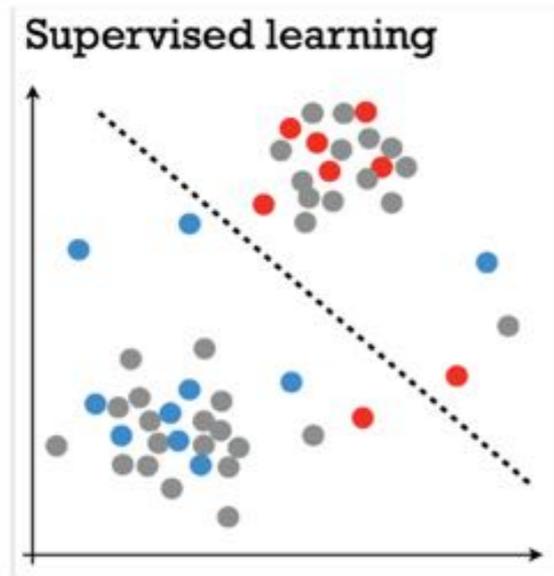


Stop-motion films of agent trained in Paris. The images are superposed with a map of the city, showing the goal location (in red) and the agent location and field of view (in green). Note that the agent does not see the map, only the lat/lon coordinates of the goal location.

<https://sites.google.com/view/streetlearn>

P. Mirowski et. al, *Learning to Navigate in Cities Without a Map*, arXiv:1804.00168

# Machine Learning: the **HOW**

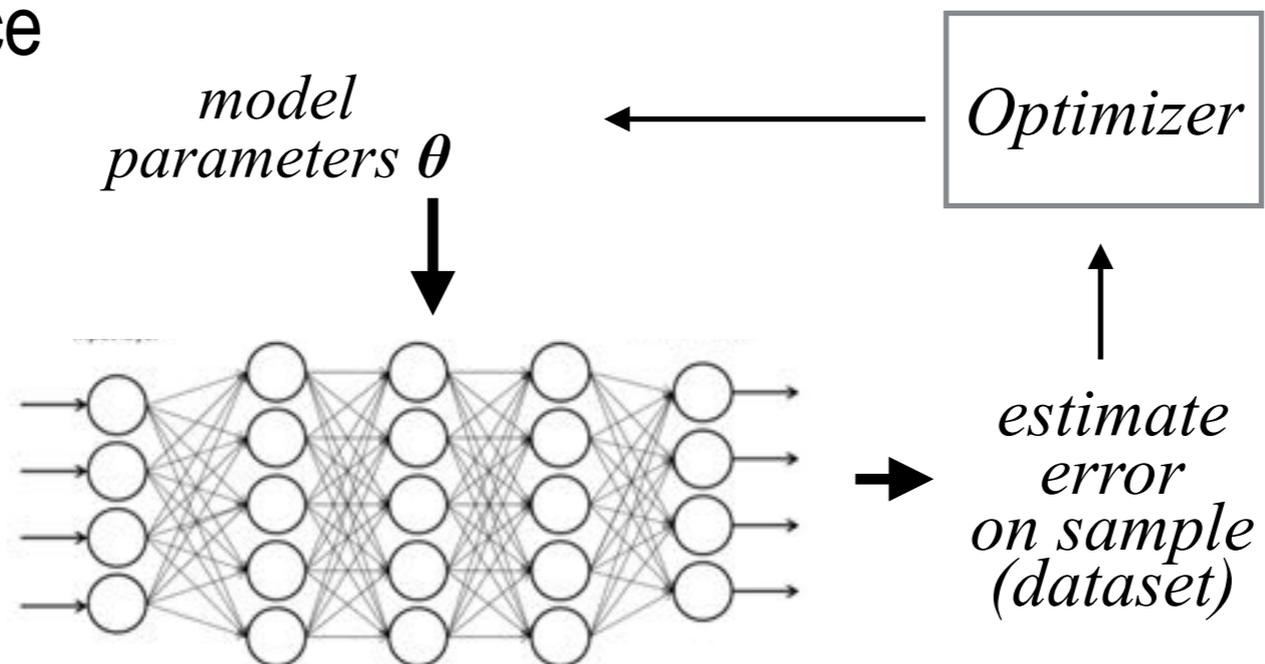


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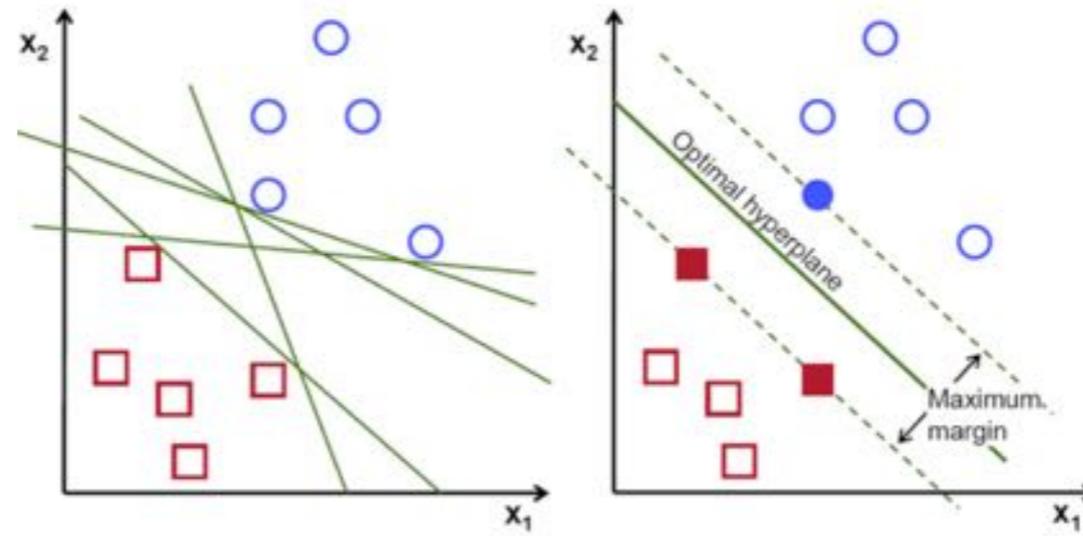
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In practice



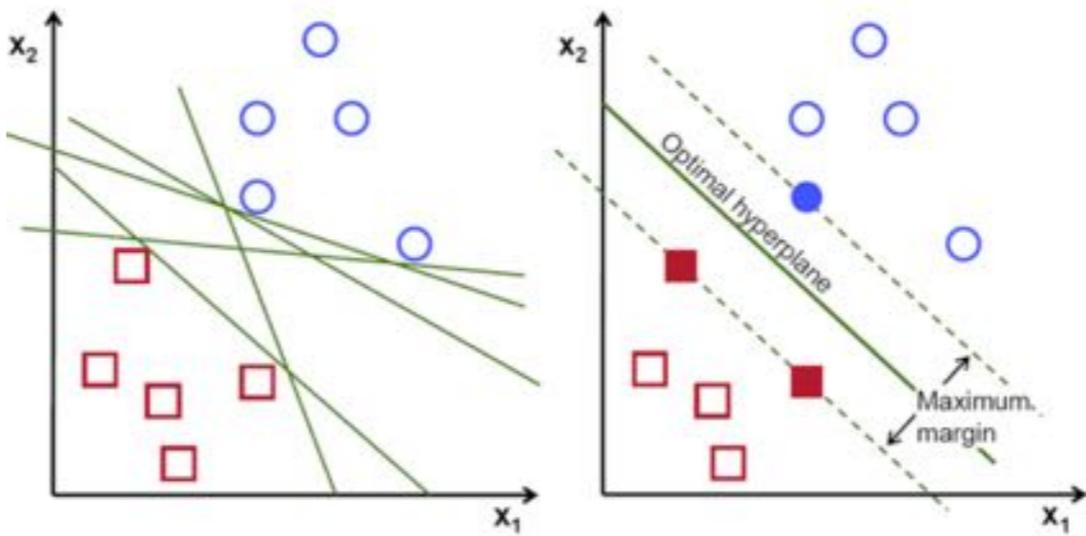
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separating hyperplane..

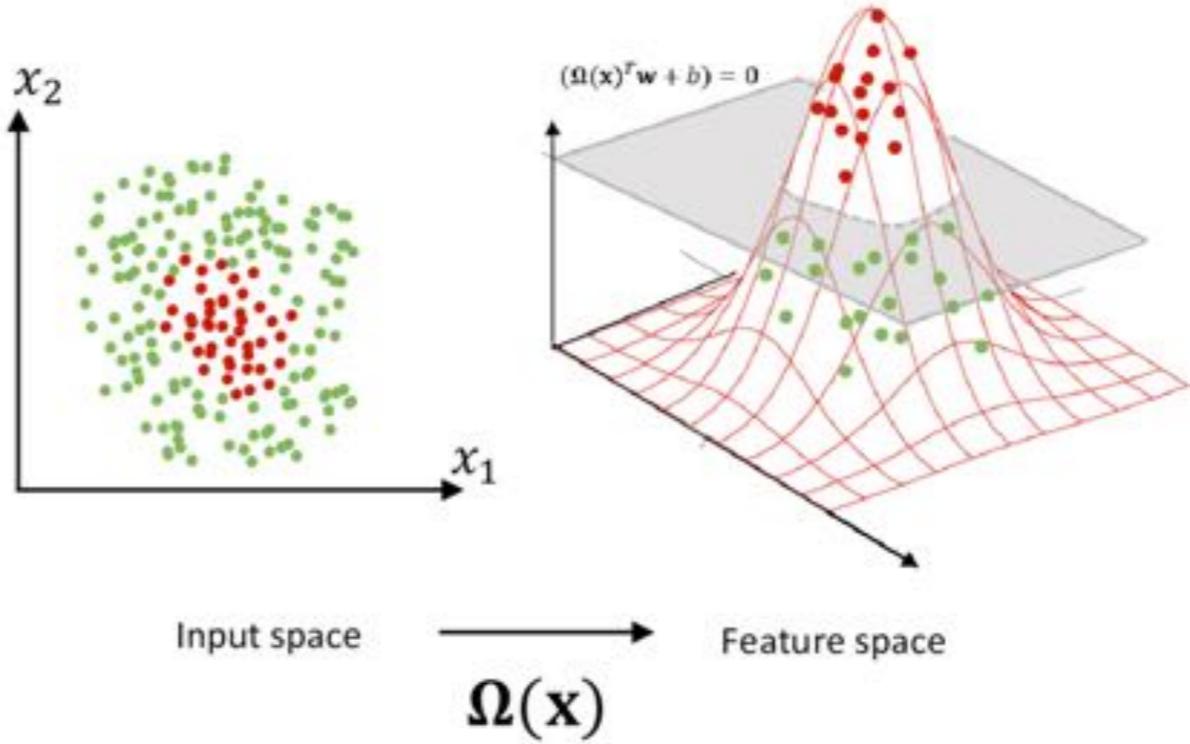


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...in higher-dimensional feature space



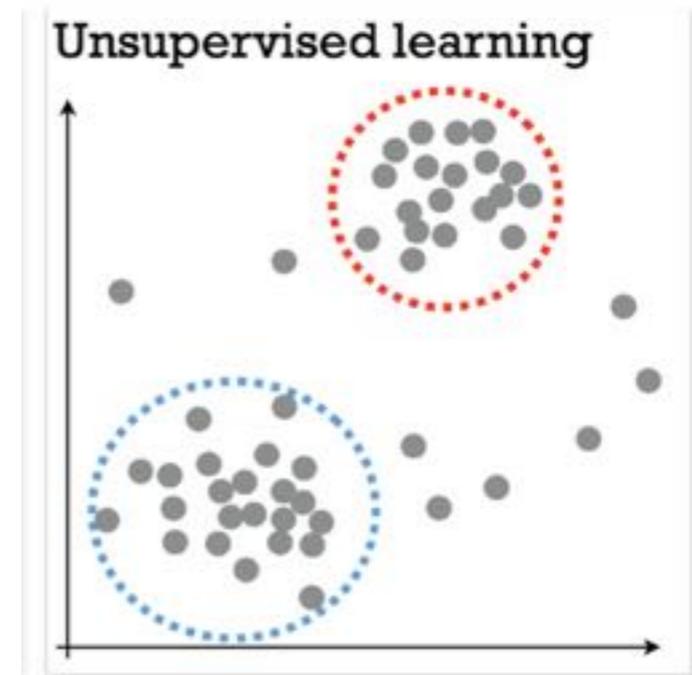
Still (algebraic) optimization over hyperplane and feature function parameters....

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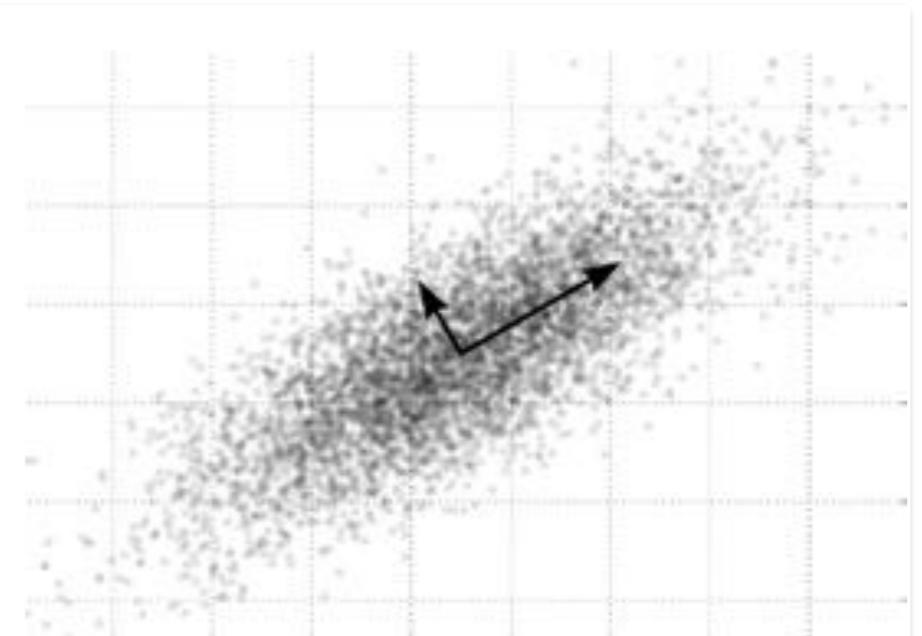
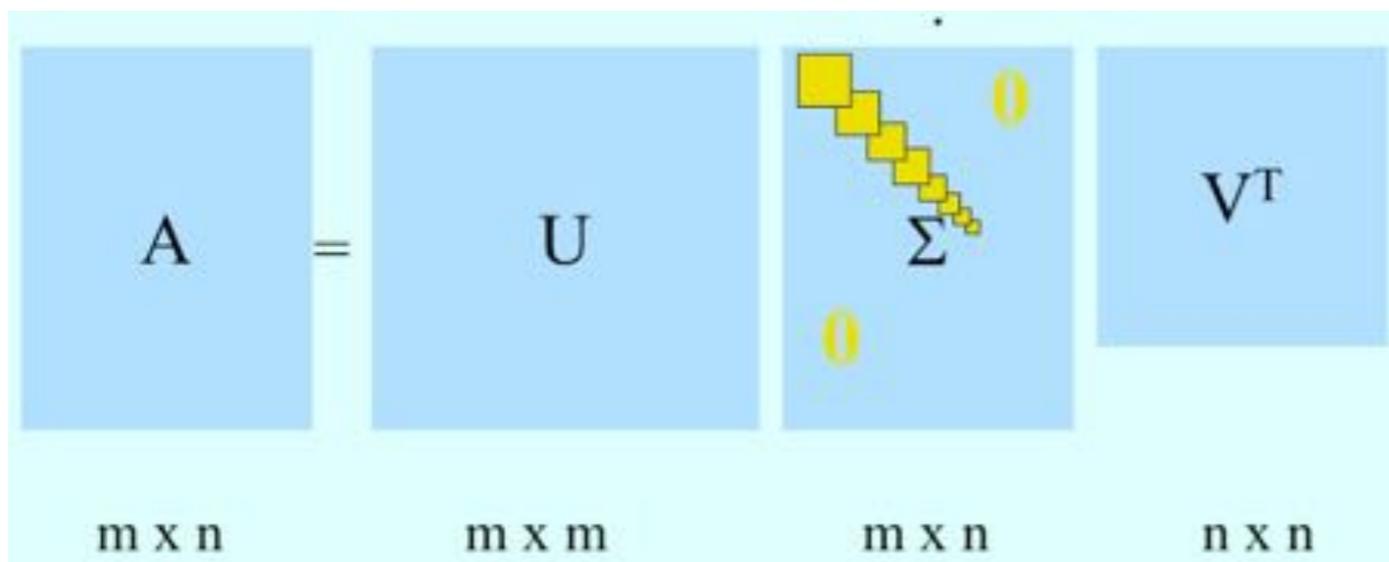
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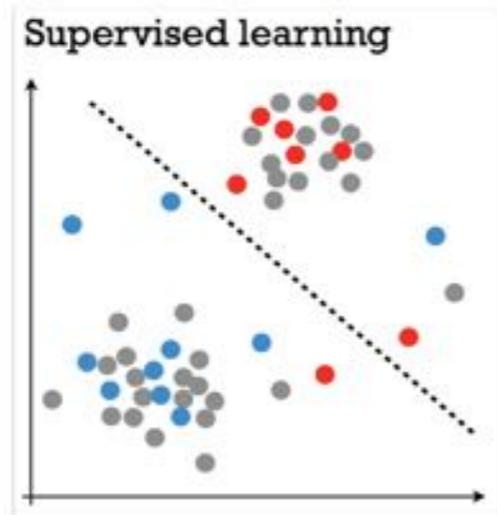


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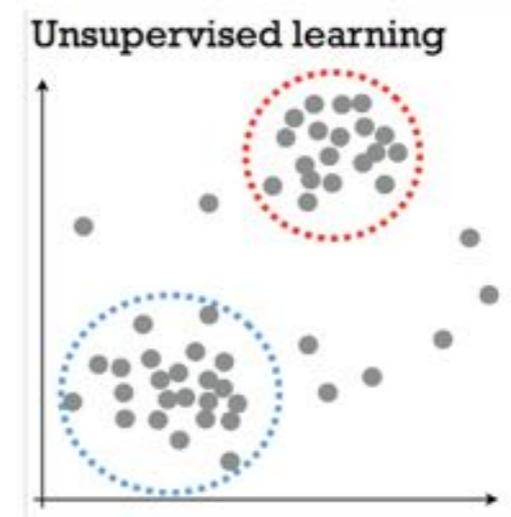


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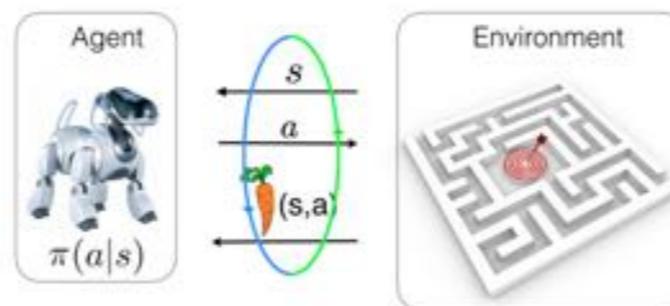


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## Reinforcement learning



output:  
policy  $\pi$  on  $Actions \times States$



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(learning *behavior, policy, or optimal control*)



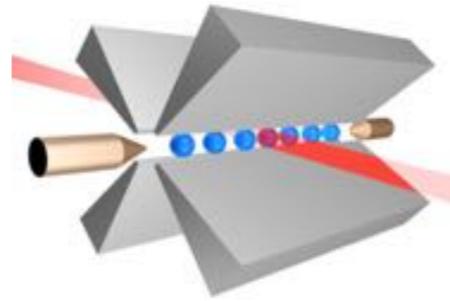
That is all ML we need for now



What about quantum computers?

# Quantum computers...

## ...and physics



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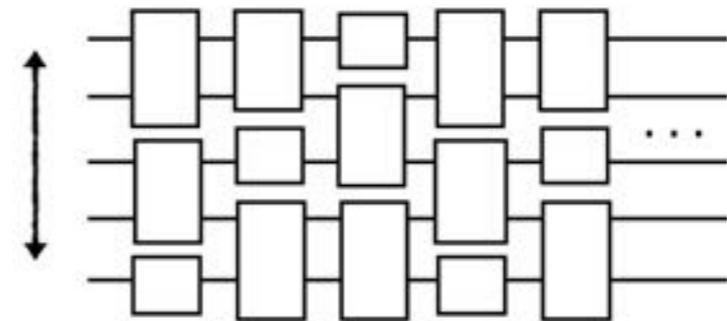
*n* qubits  $\rightarrow 2^n$  dimensional vector

-**manipulation**: acting locally (**gates**)

## ...and computer science

-likely can *efficiently* compute more things than classical computers (factoring)  
e.g. factor numbers, or generate complex distributions

-even if QC is “shallow”



## ...and reality

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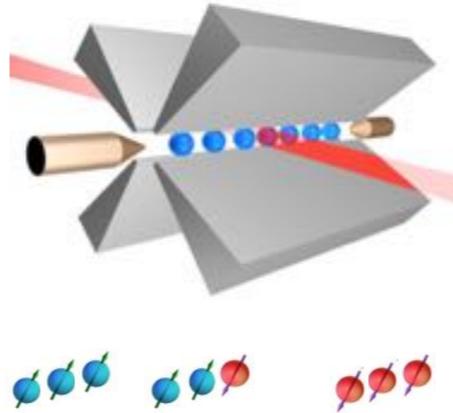


  
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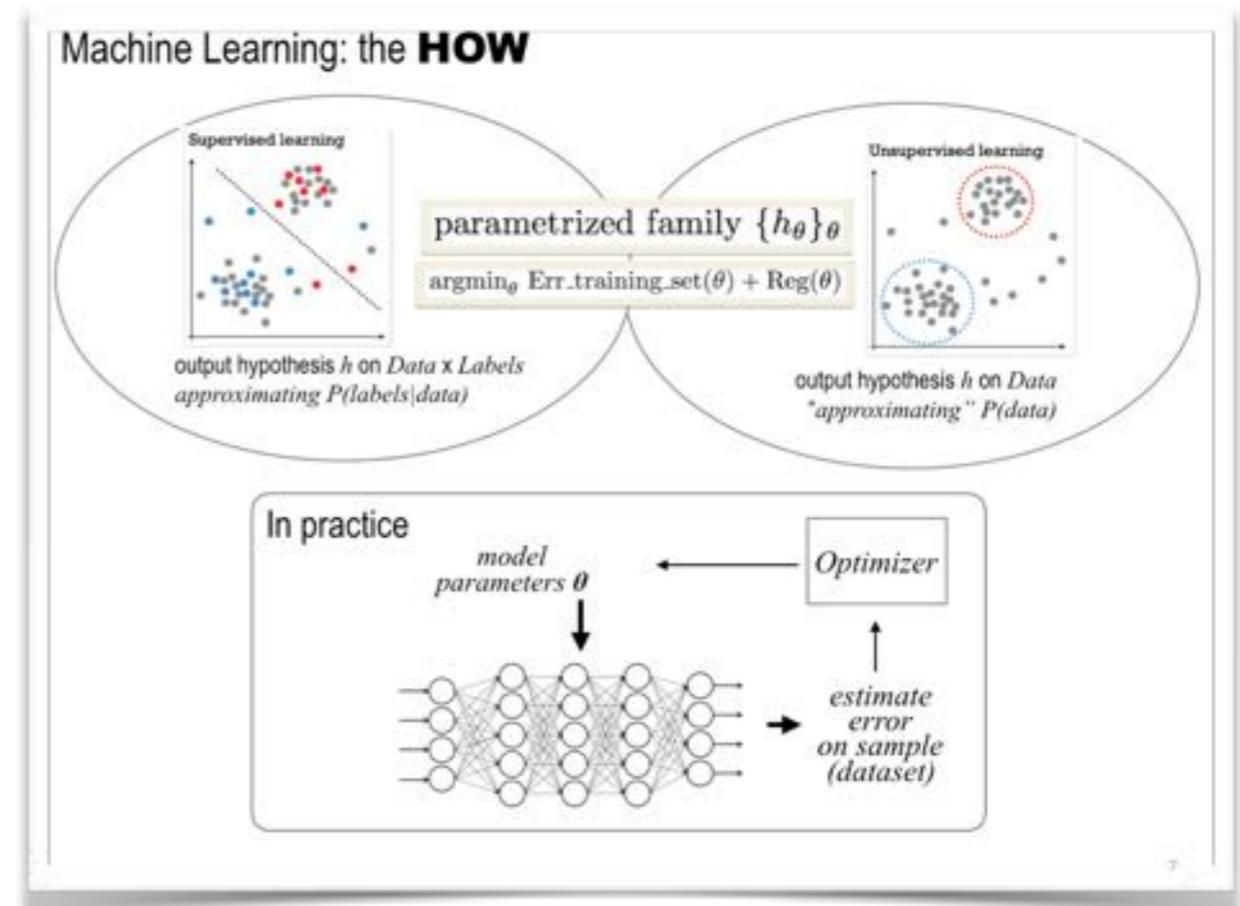
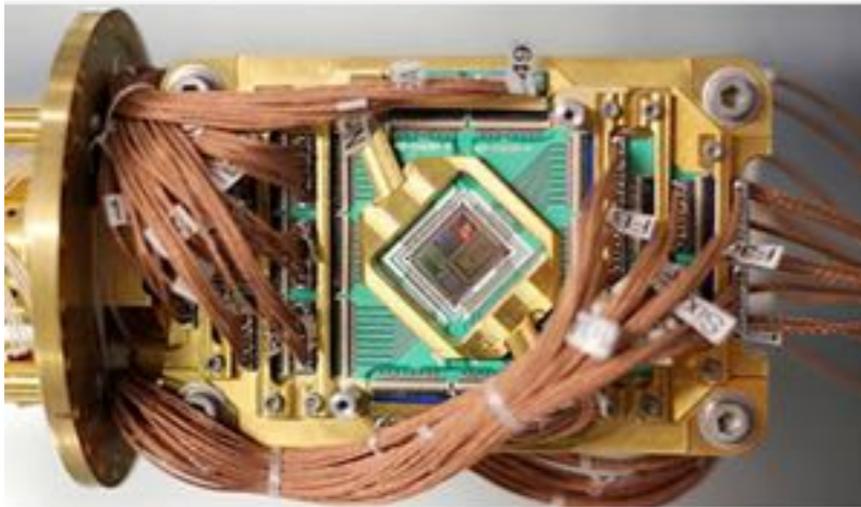
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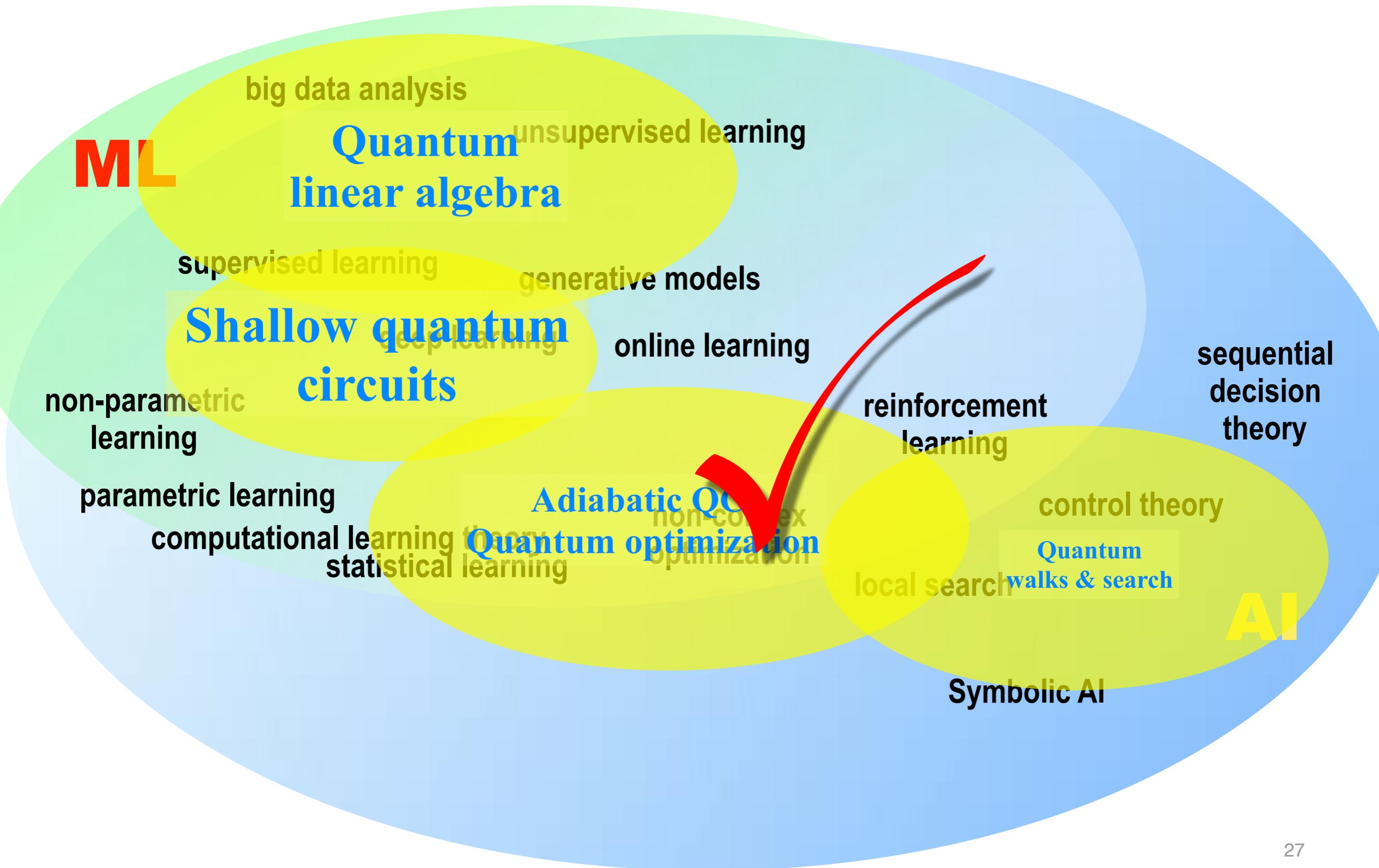


$$H(s) = sH_{initial} + (1 - s)H_{target}; \quad s(\text{time})$$

- Finding ground states of Hamiltonians via adiabatic evolution
- Very generic optimization problem:  $\operatorname{argmin}_{|\psi\rangle} \langle \psi | H | \psi \rangle$



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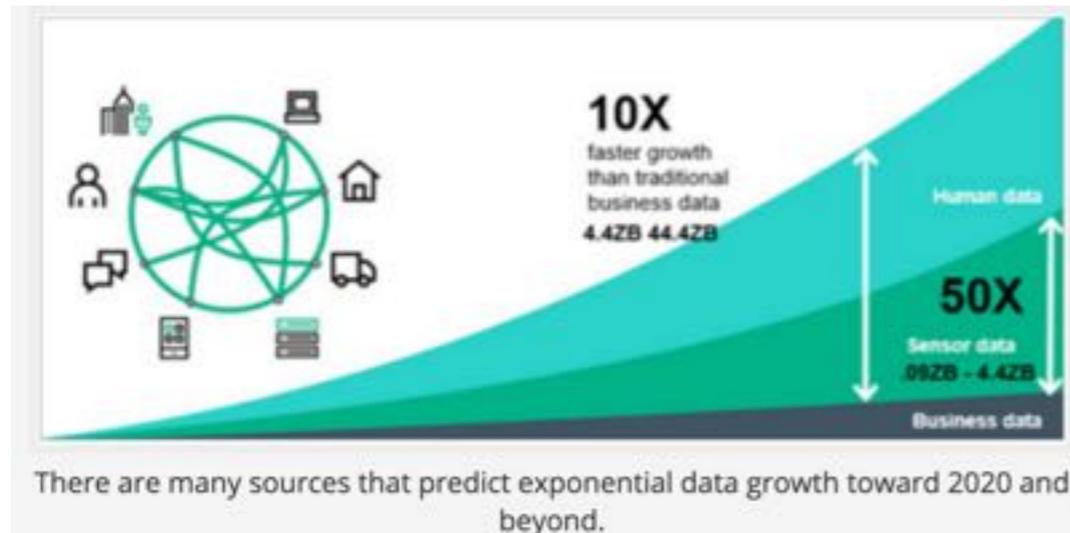


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# Precursors of Quantum Big Data

## Exponential data?



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*Much* of data analysis is linear-algebra:

regression = Moore-Penrose  
PCA = SVD...

# Enter *quantum linear algebra*

interpret QM as linear algebra ***verbatim***

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state vector  $\leftrightarrow$  (data) vector

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density matrices  
Hamiltonians  $\leftrightarrow$  linear maps  
unitaries

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projective  
measurements  $\leftrightarrow$  inner products  
(swap tests)

prepare states expressible as linear-algebraic  
manipulations of data-vectors in ***polylog(N)***

*(when other quantities are well behaved)*

amplitude encoding

$$\mathbf{R}^N \ni \mathbf{x} = (x_i)_i$$
$$\downarrow$$
$$|\psi\rangle \propto \sum_{i=1}^N x_i |i\rangle$$

**exp(n) amplitudes  
in n qubits**

block encoding

$$U|0\rangle|\psi\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} |\psi\rangle \\ |0\rangle \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A\psi \\ C\psi \end{bmatrix} = |0\rangle A|\psi\rangle + |1\rangle C|\psi\rangle$$

functions of operators

$$f(A)|\psi\rangle = \alpha_0|\psi\rangle + \alpha_1 A|\psi\rangle + \alpha_2 A^2|\psi\rangle \cdots$$
$$\approx A^{-1}|\psi\rangle$$

inner products

$$P(0)_\psi = |\langle 0|\psi\rangle|^2$$

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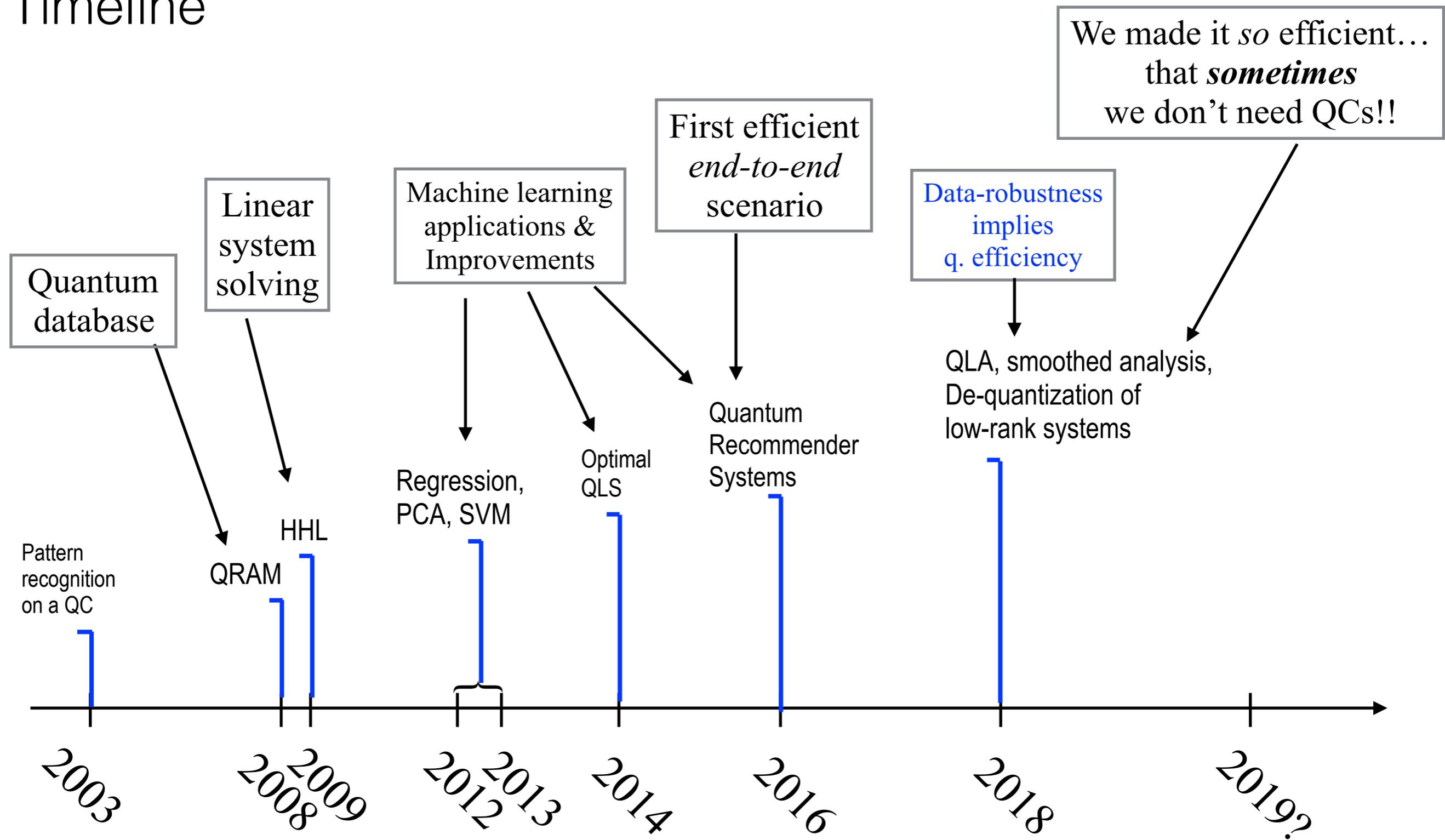
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***... can be stored in state of 73 qubits (ions, photons....)***

Clearly there is a catch.  
Many of them.

# Timeline



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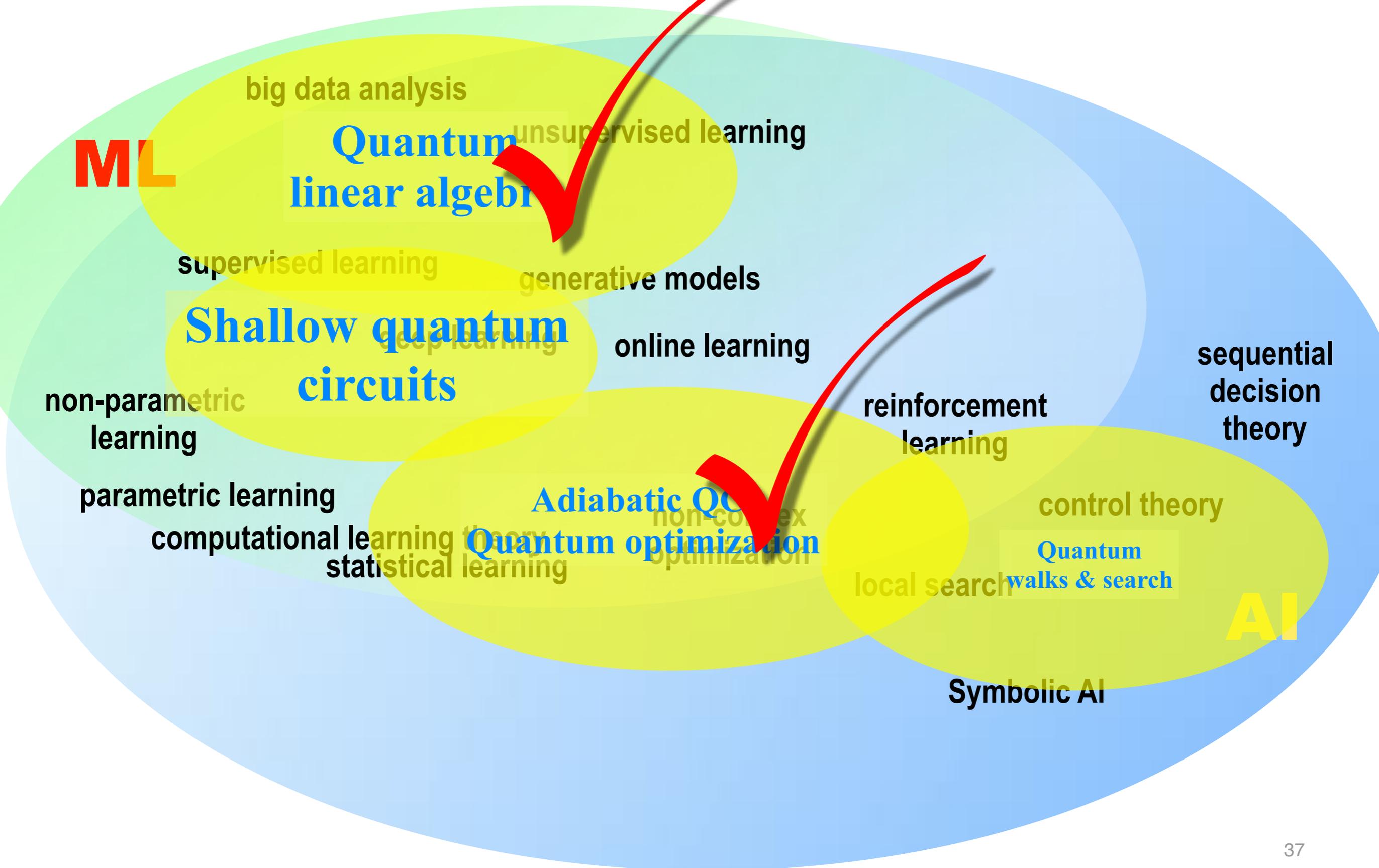
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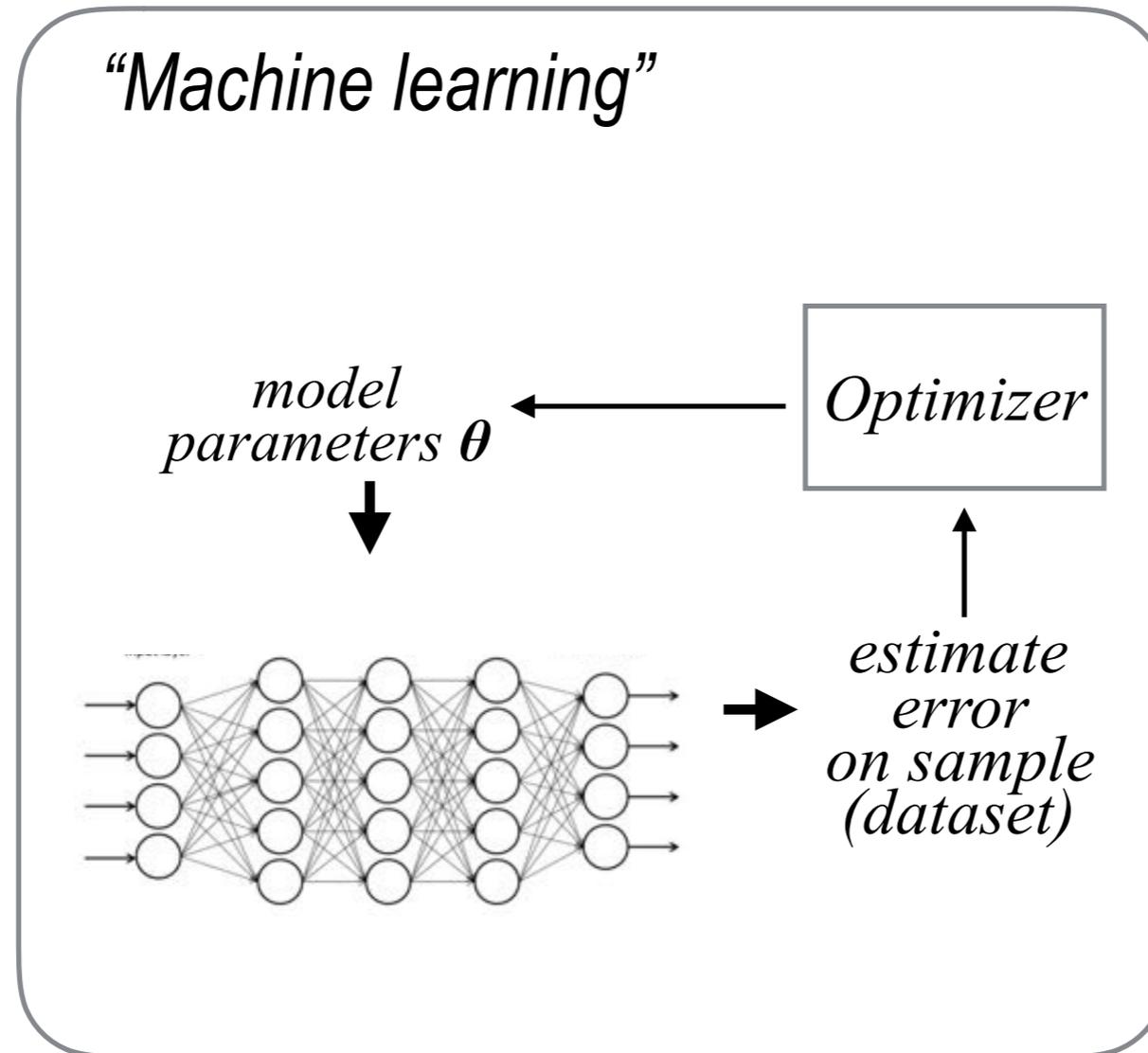
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# (Quantum) Machine learning Models



Improving ML == speeding up algorithms... *or is it?*

# Machine learning Models

## A lot of machine learning:

- Take my (training) dataset  $\{(point, label)\}$
- Take a **model** (tensorflow tutorials will suggest), e.g. *this-that-structure* neural network  $\mathcal{N}$
- Train the **model** (tweak parameters of  $\mathcal{N}$ , until it predicts the training set well)

## The math behind

*“cost function”*

*parametrized family  $\{f_\theta\}$*

$\operatorname{argmin}_\theta \operatorname{Err\_training\_set}(\theta)$



**What is this picture missing?**

# Optimization is a part of the method, not the objective

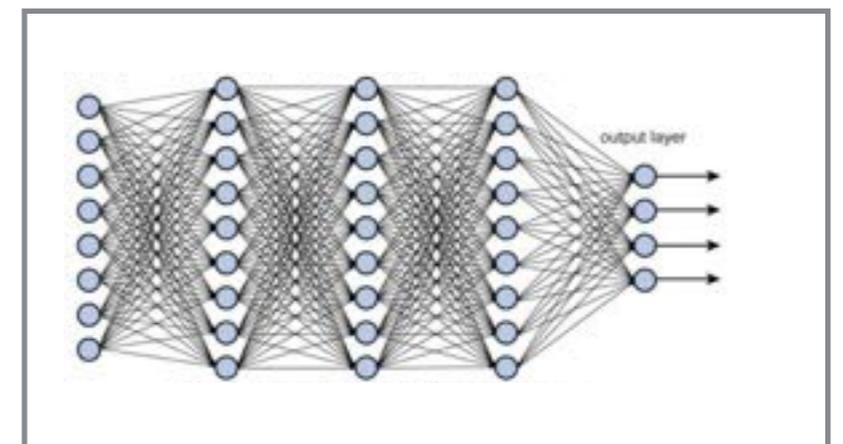
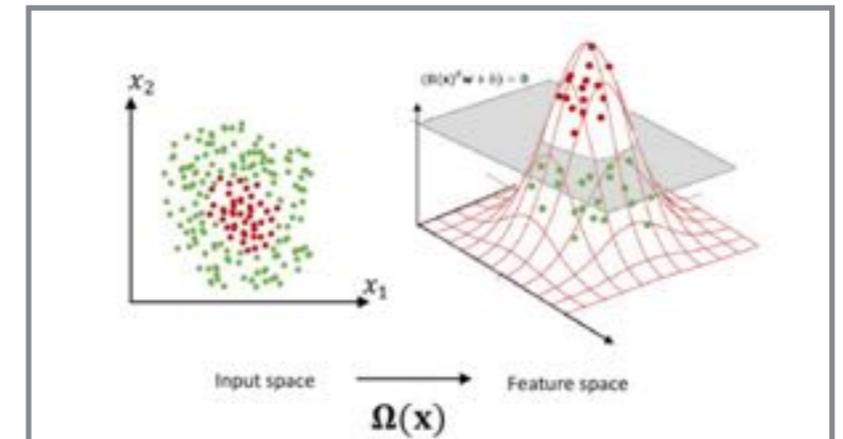
best fit v.s. “generalization performance” or *classifying well beyond the training set*

Challenge:

Data:

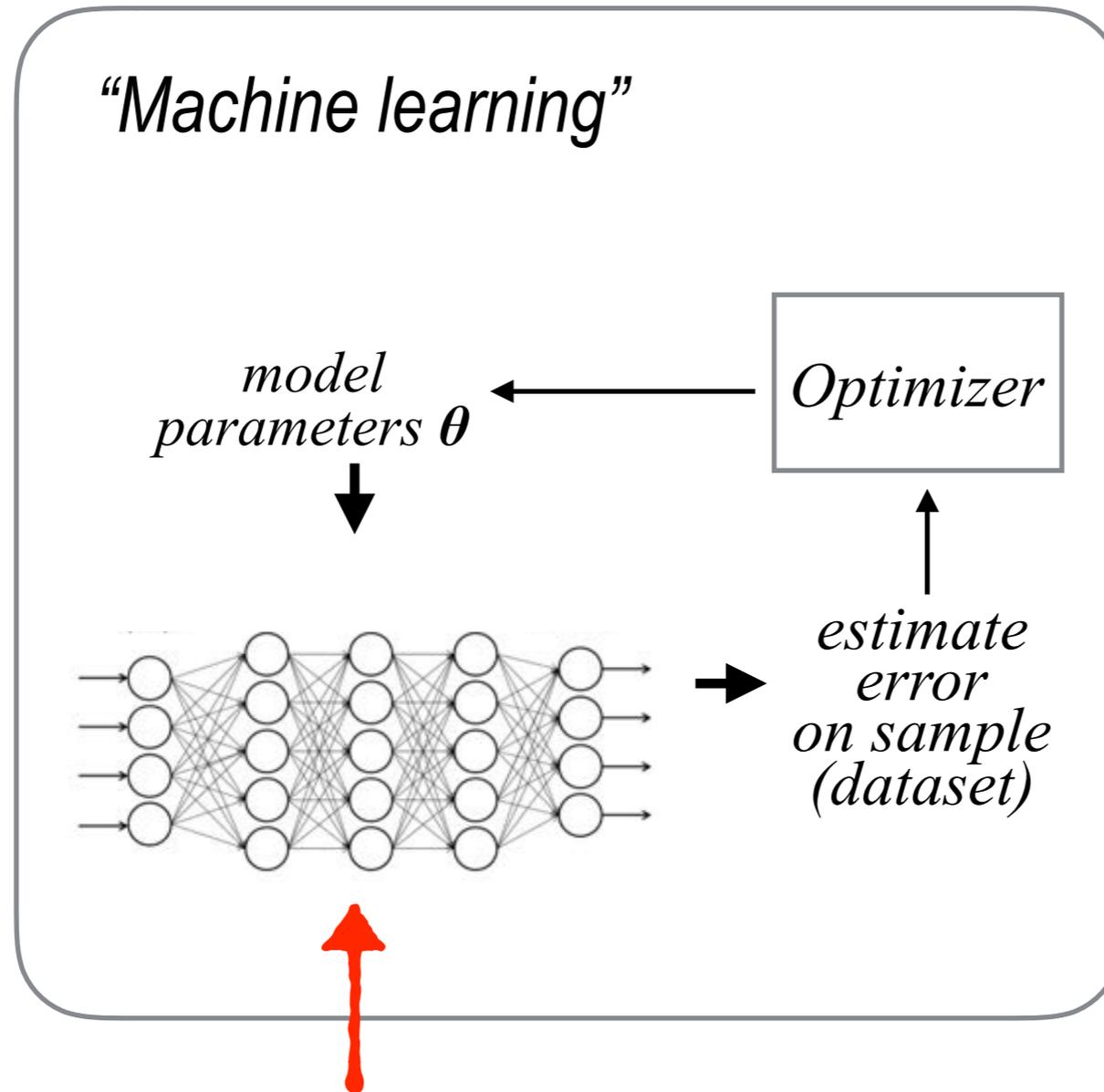


Models:



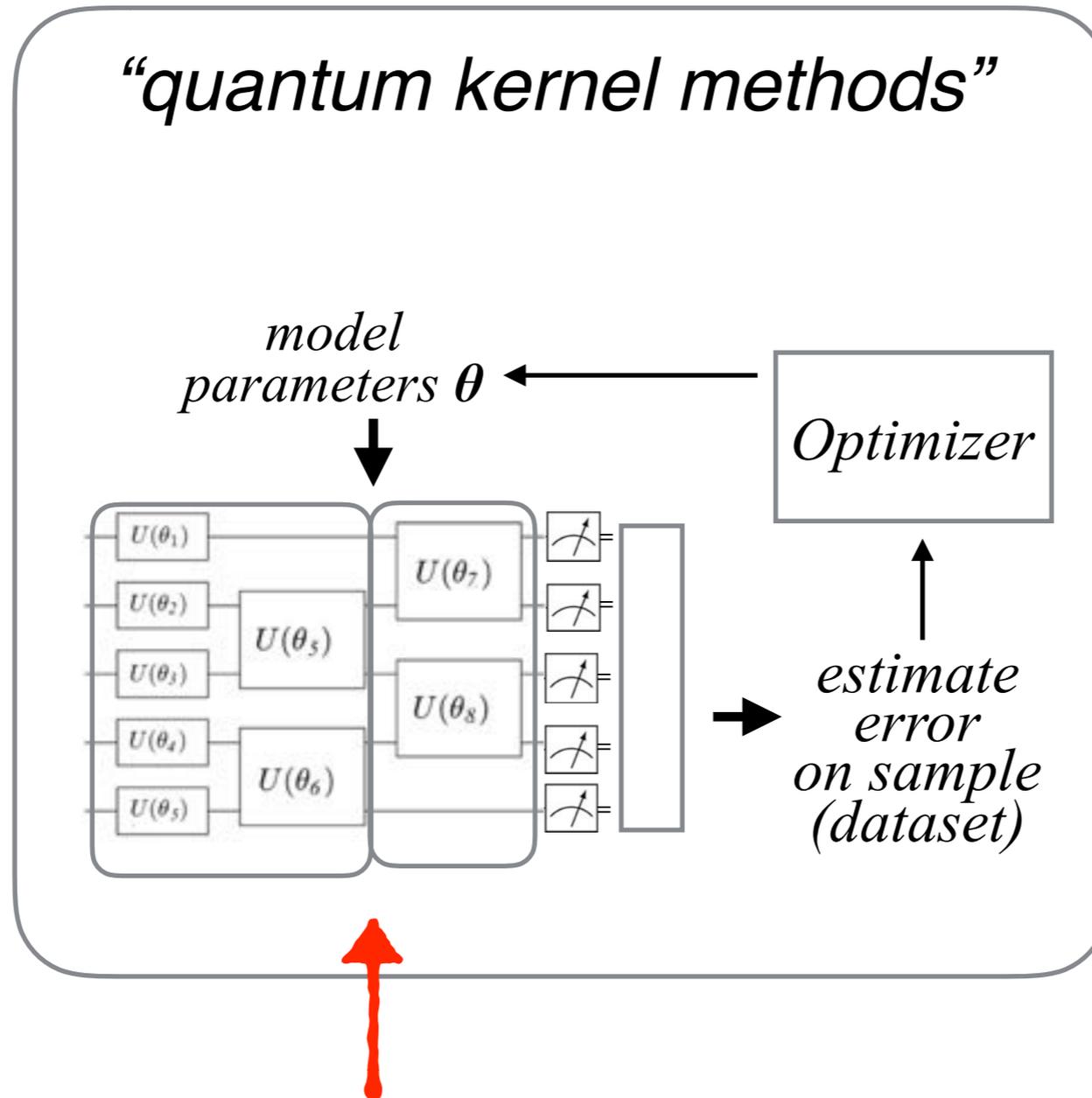
Not all models (+training algo) are born equal (for *real* datasets)...

# Machine learning Models



*family of functions.  
if it's “good”, we can generalize well*

# Quantum Machine learning Models



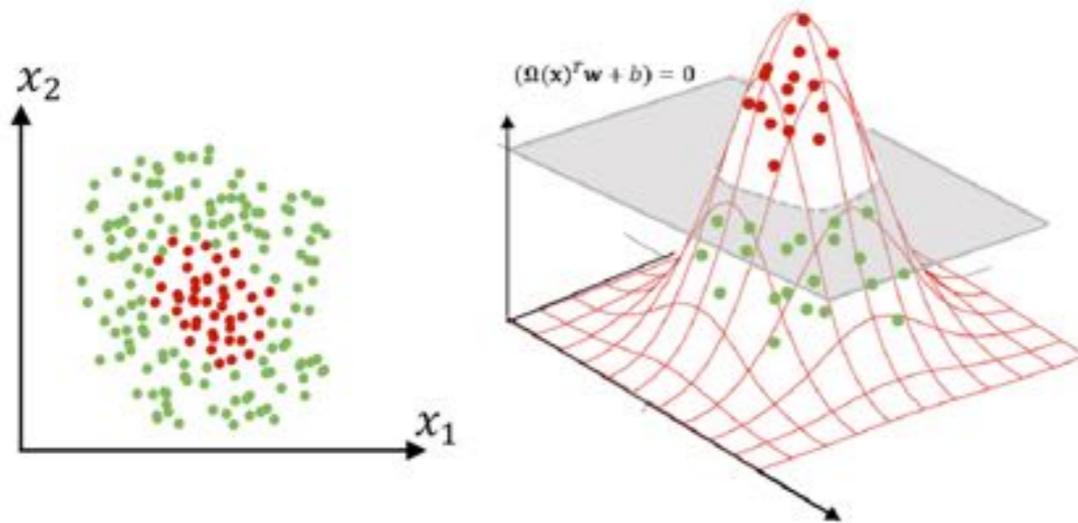
*How about “shallow quantum circuits”?*

*-instead neural network, train a QC!*

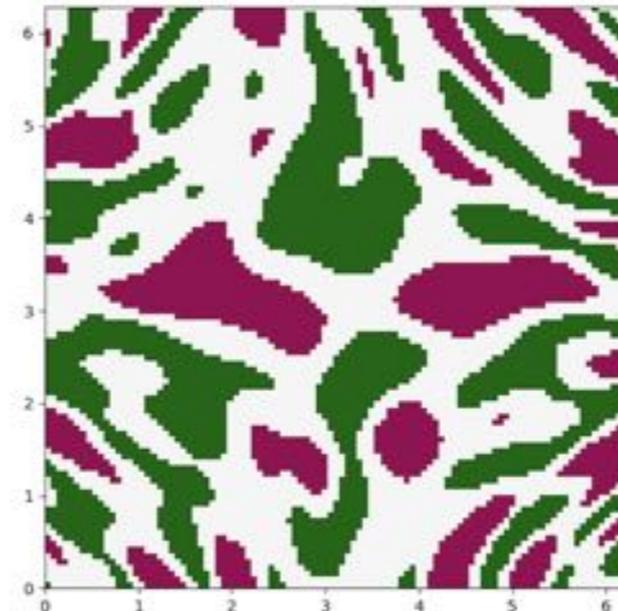
*-related to ideas from q. condensed-matter physics (VQE)*

# The quantum feature space

- relationship between NNs, SVMs and shallow circuits for supervised learning  
(*embedding - rotation - measurement = feature function - hyperplane - class*)



Simple classical kernels



A weird quantum kernel

# Quantum Machine learning Models

## “quantum kernel methods”

### The good

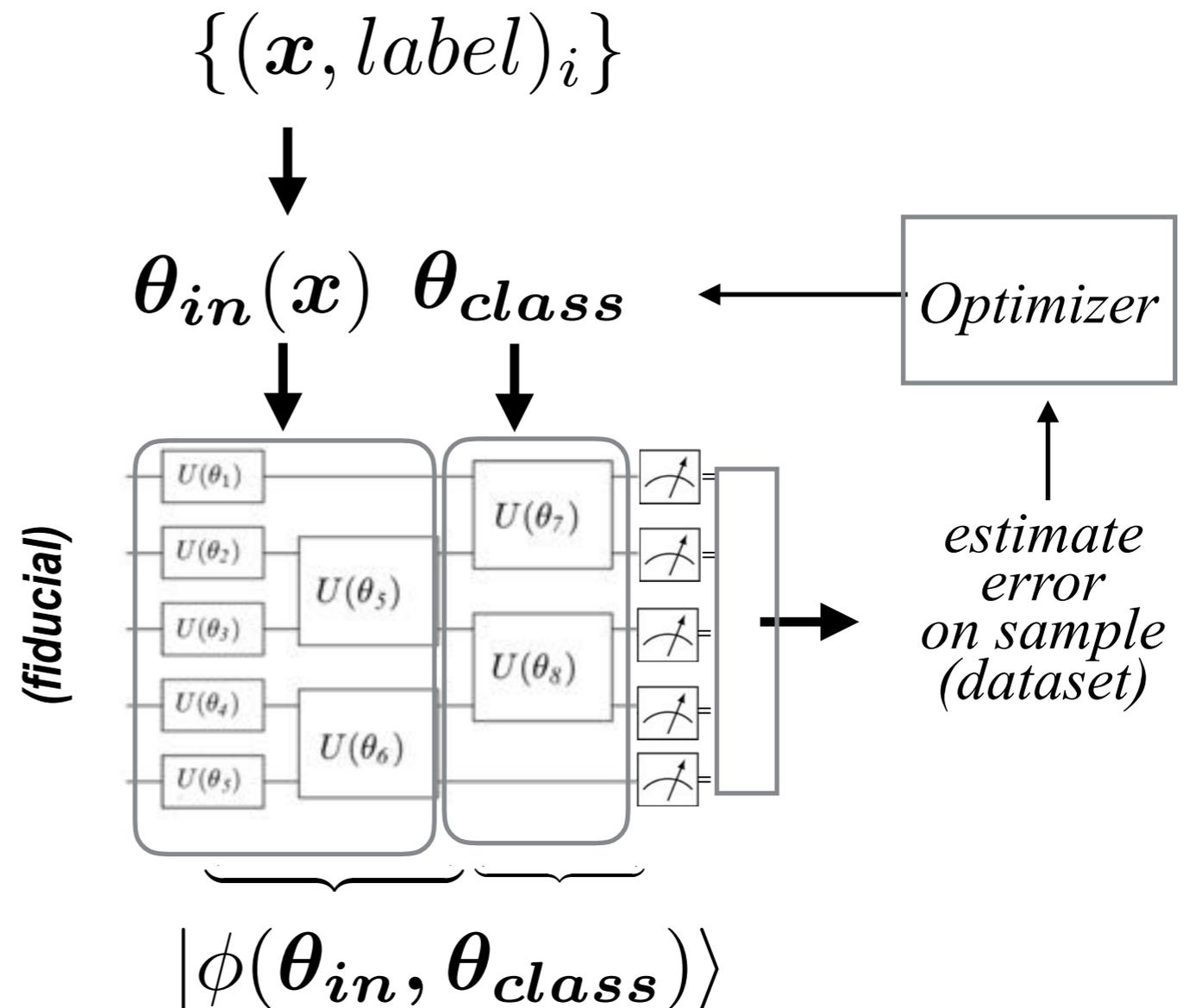
- near term architectures
- **seems to be robust**  
**(noise not inherently critical!)**
- *possibly very expressive*

### The neutral

- **many parameters**
- **model advantages** less clear  
(contrast to variational methods!)

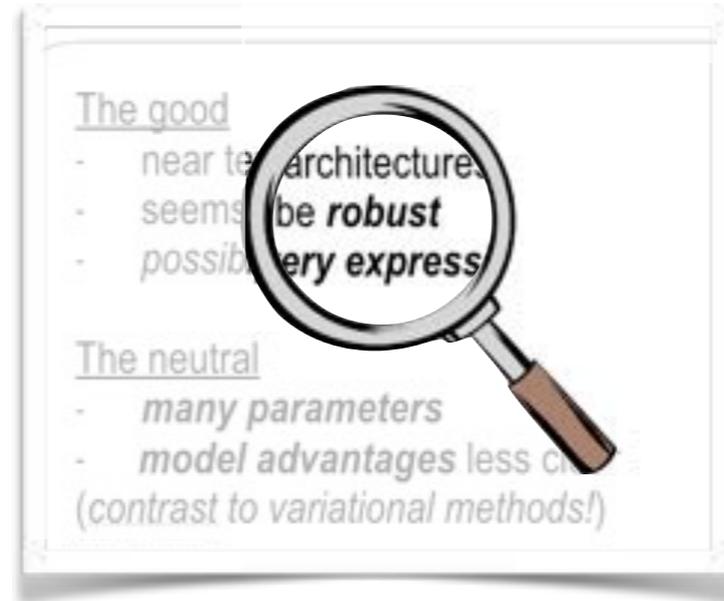
### The bad

- **barren plateaus** (also in DNN)



**CAVEAT: IS IT CLASSICALLY COMPUTATIONALLY HARD?!**

# A hope... *killer app* for noisy QCs?

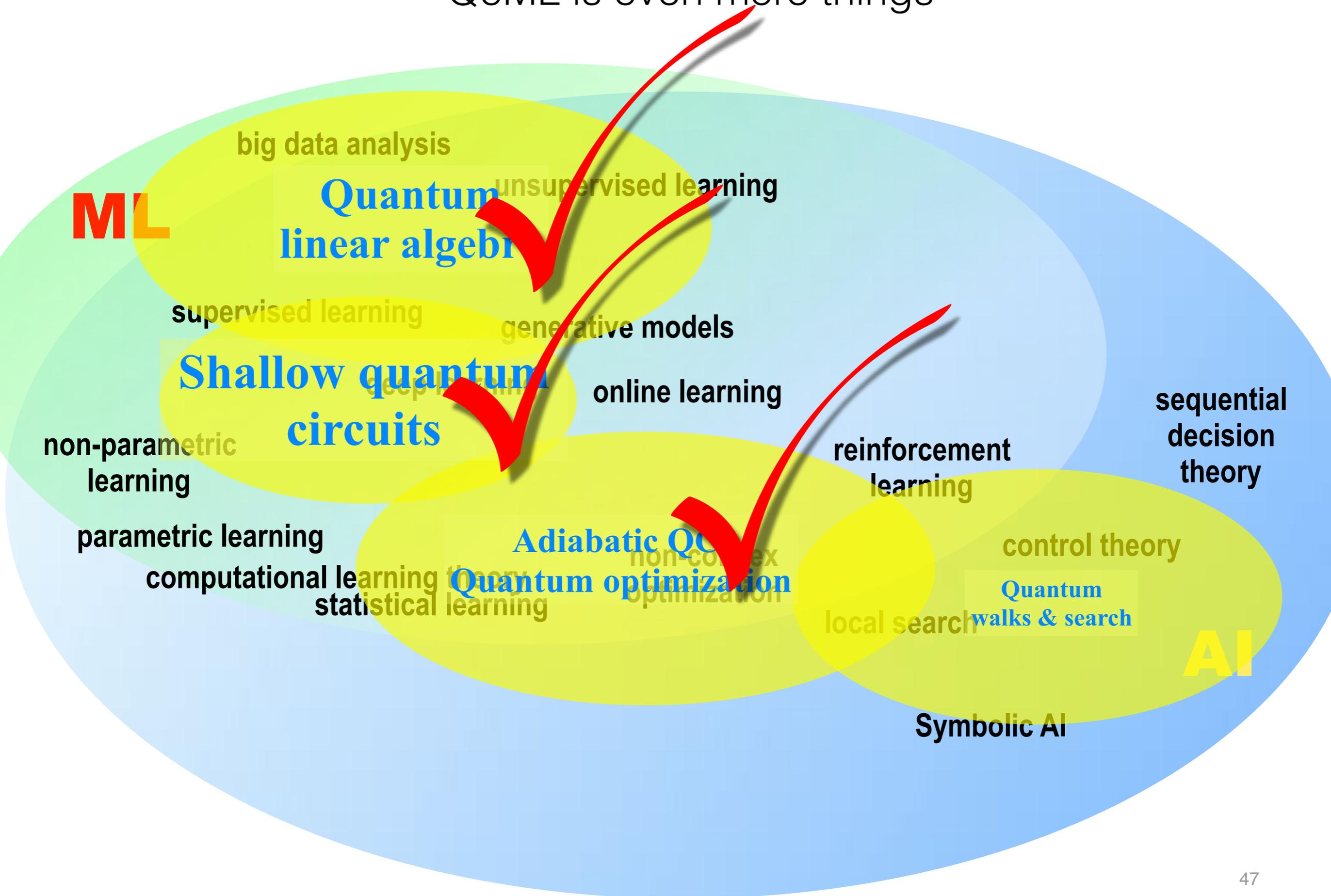


ML can be run on small QCs

**BUT MORE THAN THAT**

ML good for dealing with noise (in *\*data\**)...  
 Can QML deal with *its own* noise (in *\*process\**)?

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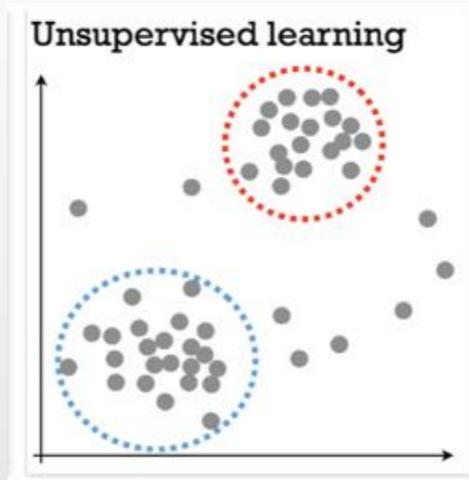
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**Problem:** preparations can offset speed-up;  
**ML:** not here! processing must be robust -> low cost
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**Problem:** optimization just heuristic, quality unknown  
**ML:** well all we do is domain-specific! If it works, it works!
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**Problem:** noisy models, bad estimates (in VQE)  
**ML:** not estimating! Train model, could be even better than exact (elements of regularization)

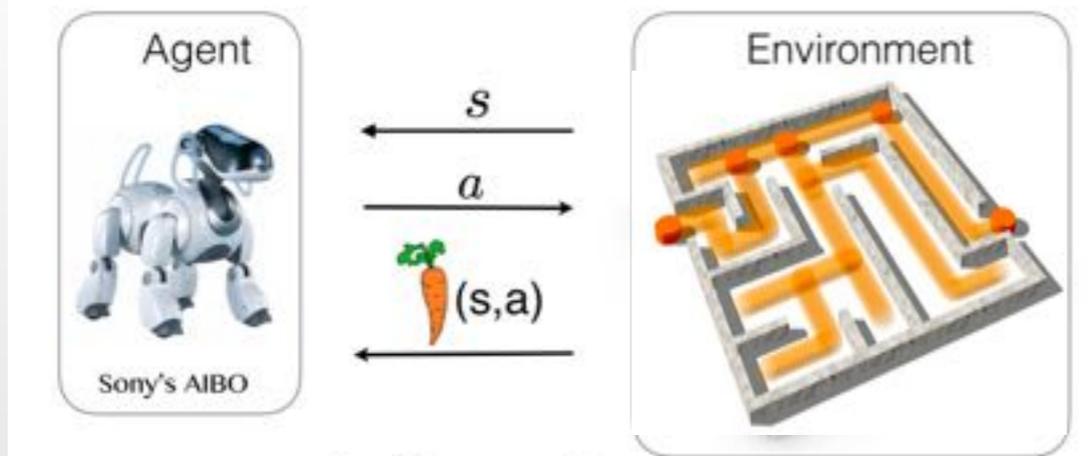
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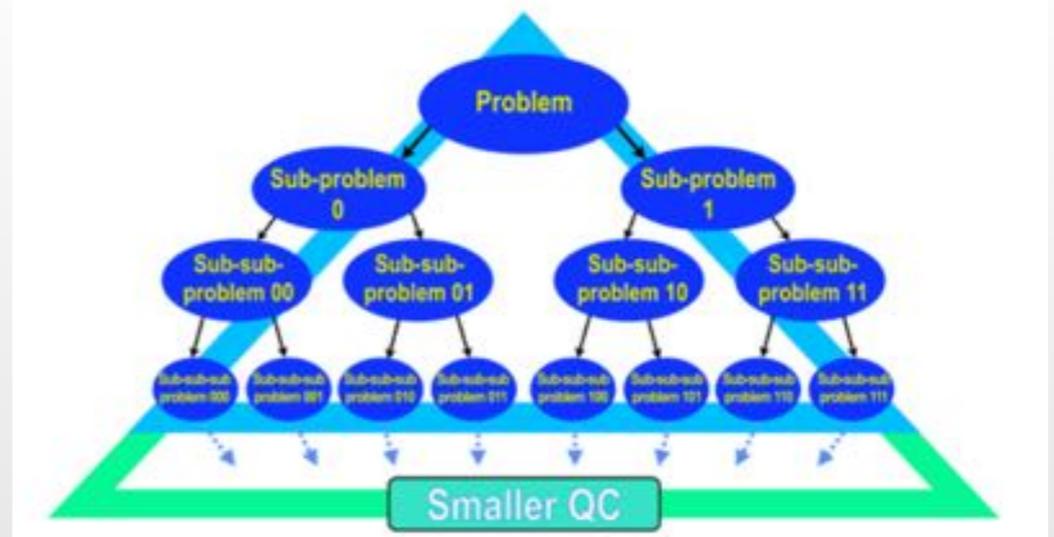
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Quantum-enhanced unsupervised learning



Quantum-enhanced reinforcement learning

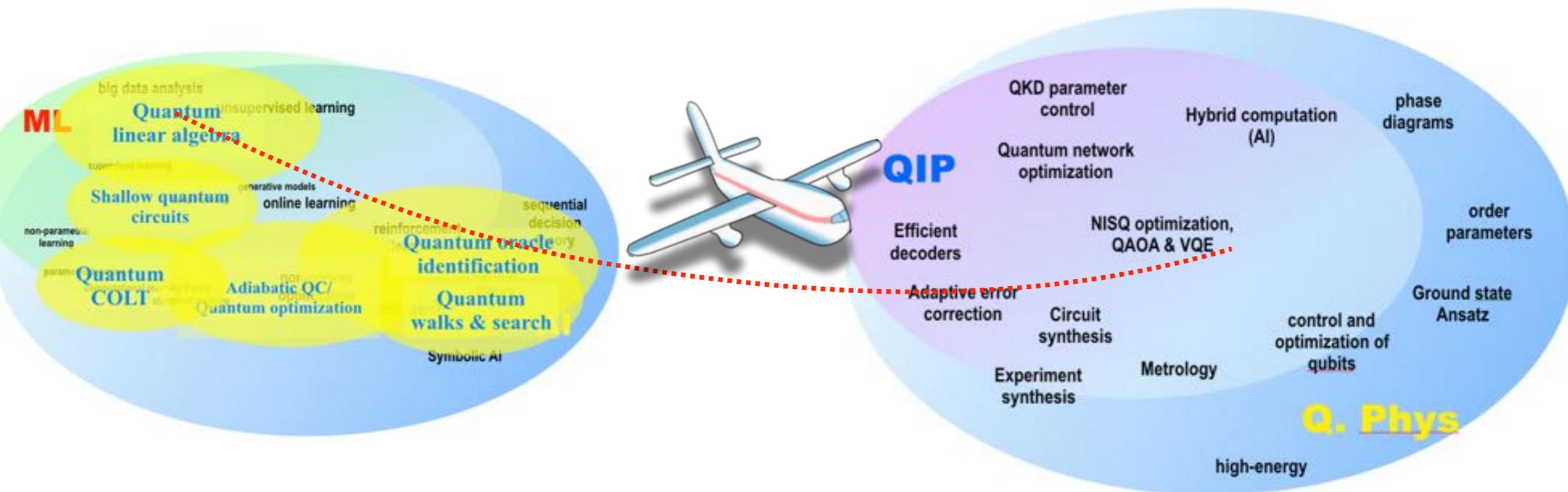


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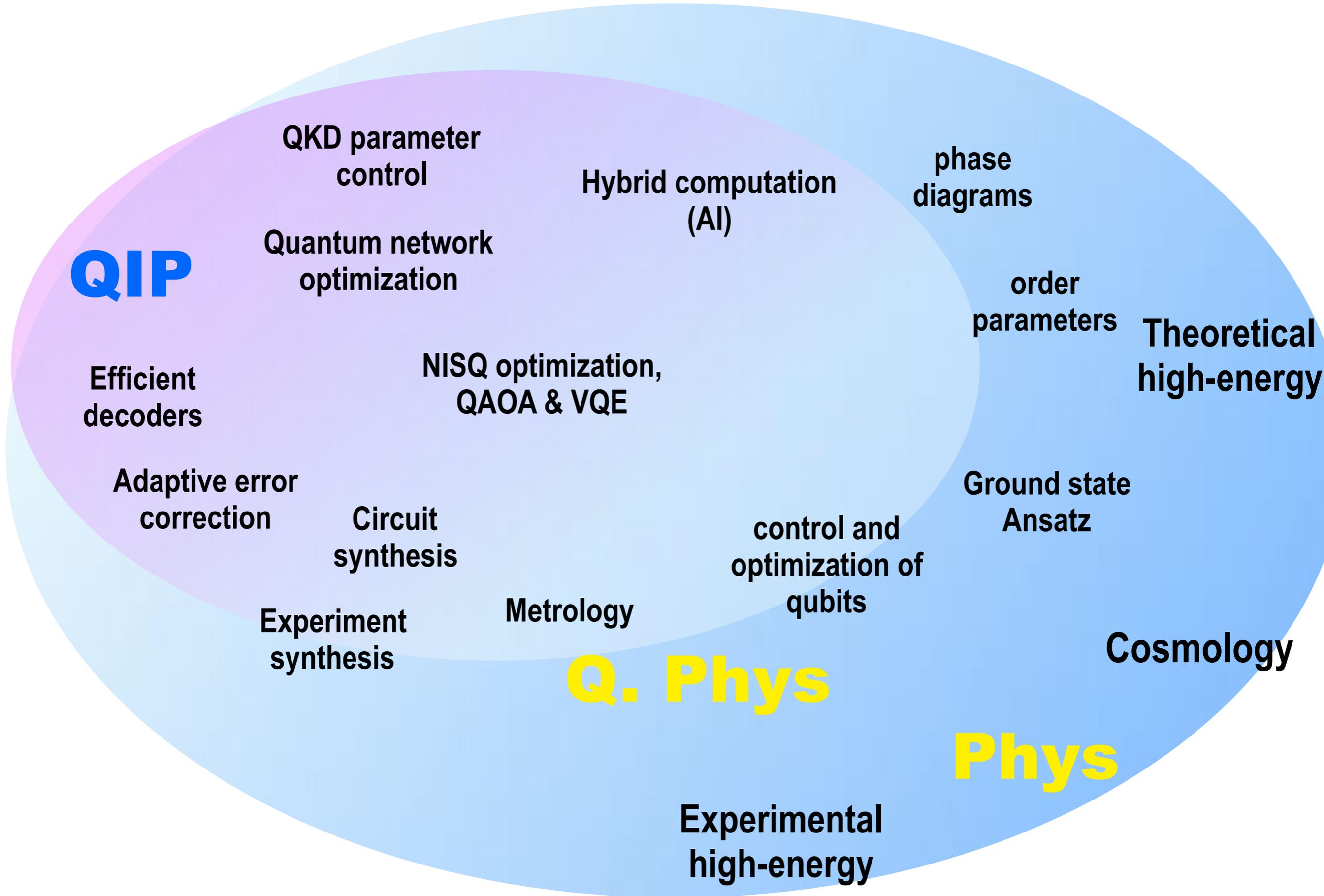
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Machine learning  
*in the physics domain*



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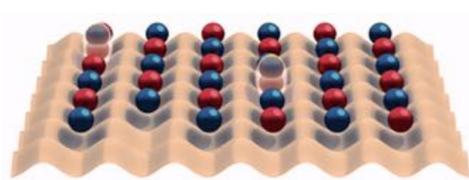
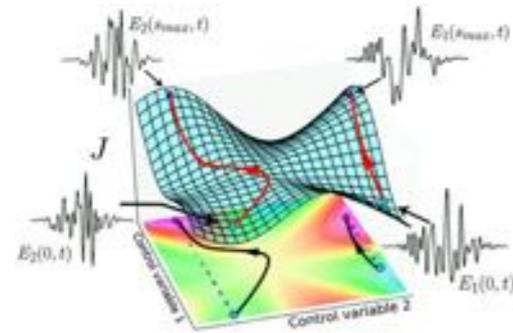
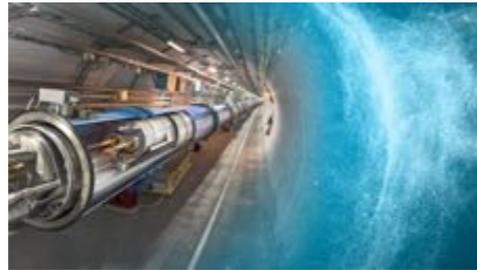
## Reinforcement learning

(learning *behavior, policy, or optimal control*)



# Big picture

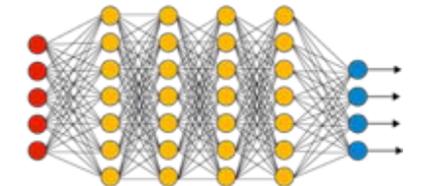
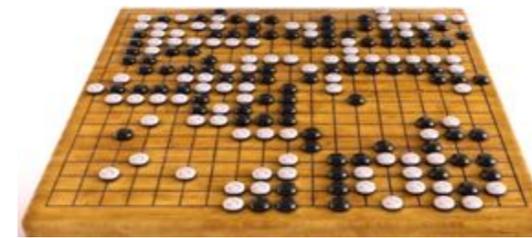
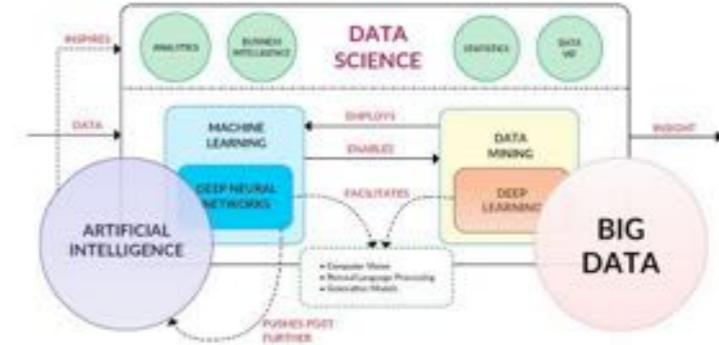
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$$\hat{H} = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} \hat{c}_{i,\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j,\sigma} + U \sum_j \hat{n}_{j,\uparrow} \hat{n}_{j,\downarrow} + J \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j$$



hard computations  
new theory & experiments



AI/ML assisted computation  
machine-assisted research

Particle physics (and cosmology)

Many-body quantum matter

Chemistry and materials

Facilitating quantum computers

“Machine learning and the physical sciences”  
Carleo et al., <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1903.10563.pdf>

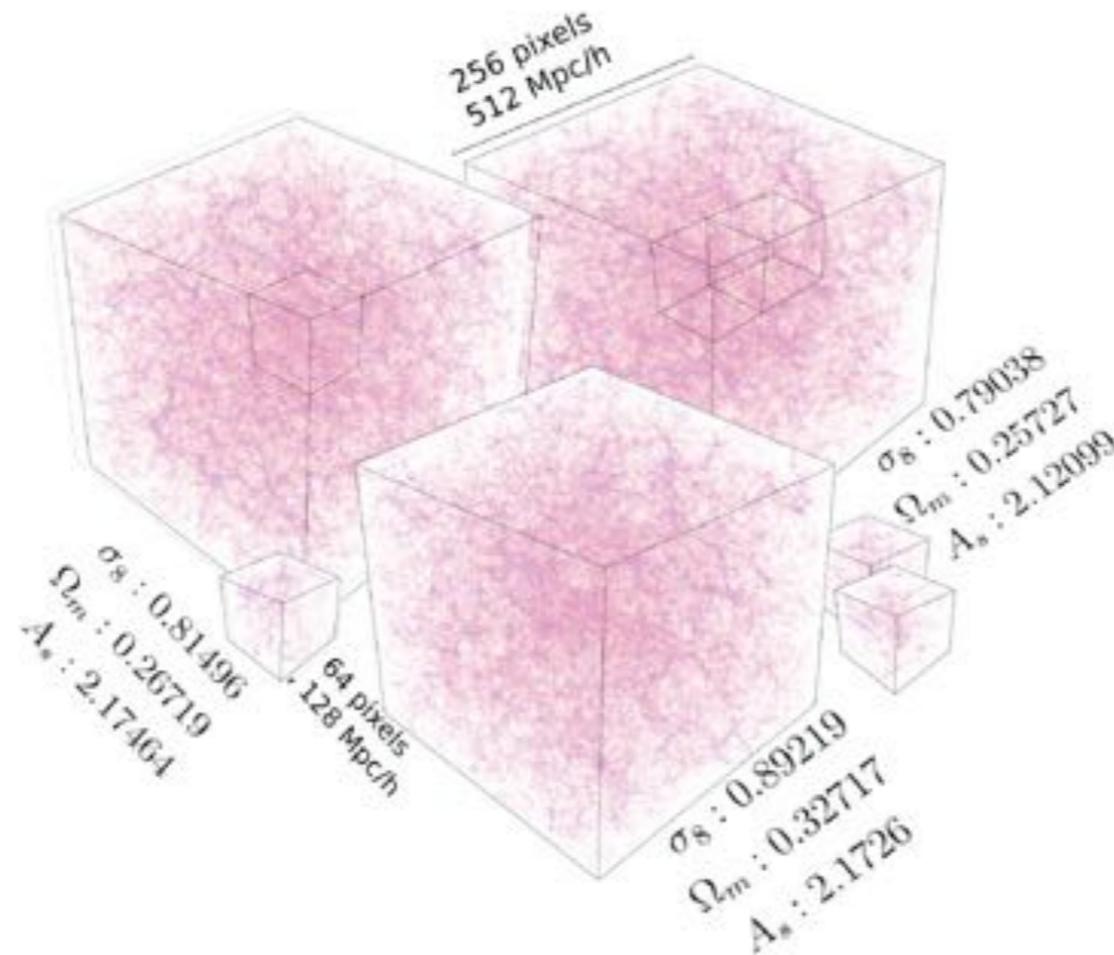
# Particle physics and cosmology

- “big data” aspects: event selection, jet tagging, triggering;  
(photometric red shift, gravitational lens finding)
- simulation and inverse problems
- applications in theory

# Example: *Estimating Cosmological Parameters from the Dark Matter Distribution*

$\Lambda$ CDM

(cosm. parameters)  $\longrightarrow$  distr. of matter

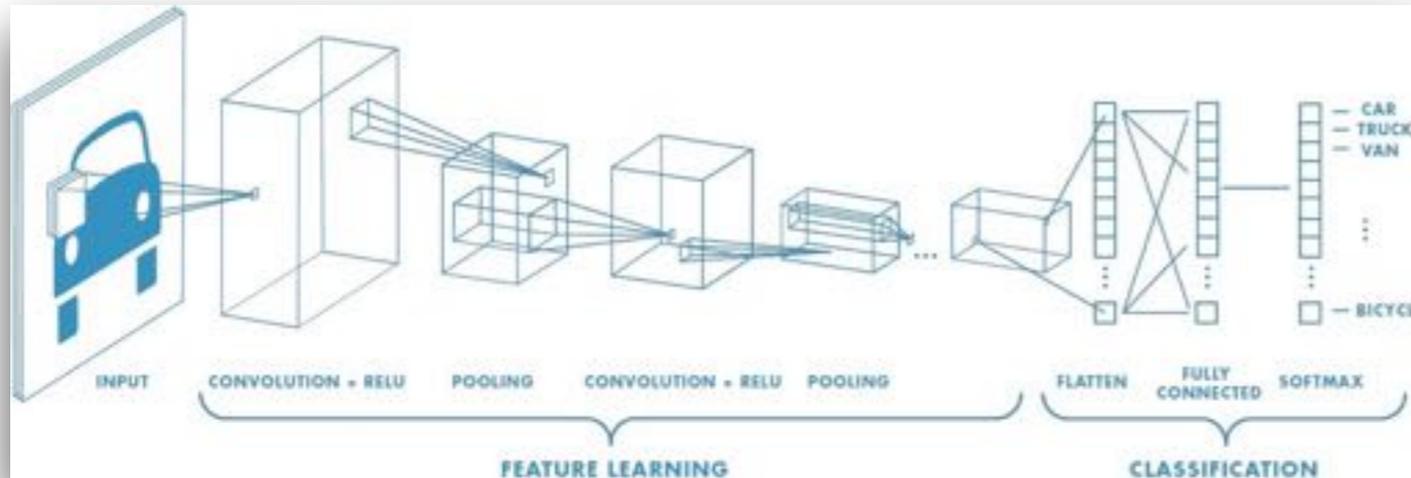


What are the cosmological parameters from observed universe?

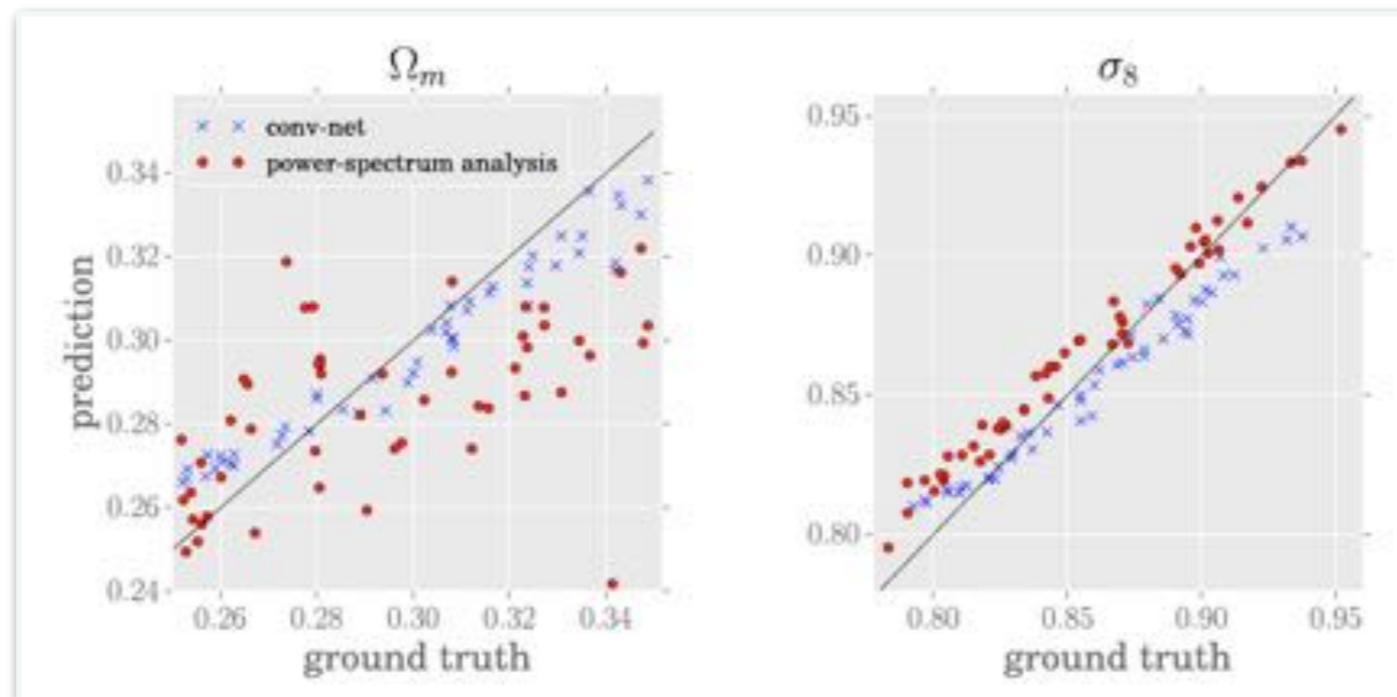
“Inverse simulation?”

# Example: *Estimating Cosmological Parameters from the Dark Matter Distribution*

Machine learning solution:



Train NN to output *correct parameters* given the universe;  
Training set: *(universe, parameters)*  
Learning goal: *(parameters | universe)*



arXiv:1711.02033v1

# Many-body quantum matter

- neural quantum states (approximate *the wavefunction*)
  - expressivity, learning from data, variational approaches
- assisted many-body simulations
  - learned hard sampling
- classification of many-body phases of matter

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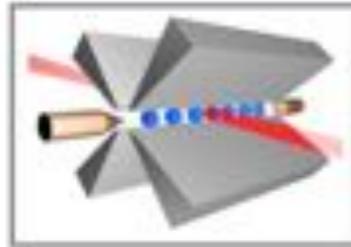
Machine learning  
*in quantum information processing*

# Enabling quantum information processing devices

Interplay at various levels of complexity and abstraction

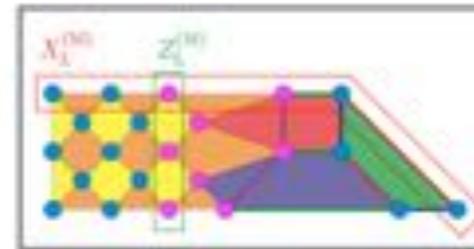
## quantum control

choose parameters  
(time-dependently)  
to realize a desired  
unitary operation



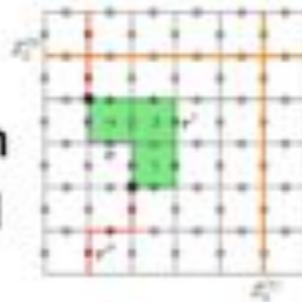
## optimizing quantum communication & computation

Optimize local error  
correction, and fight  
noise processes  
adaptively and  
autonomously

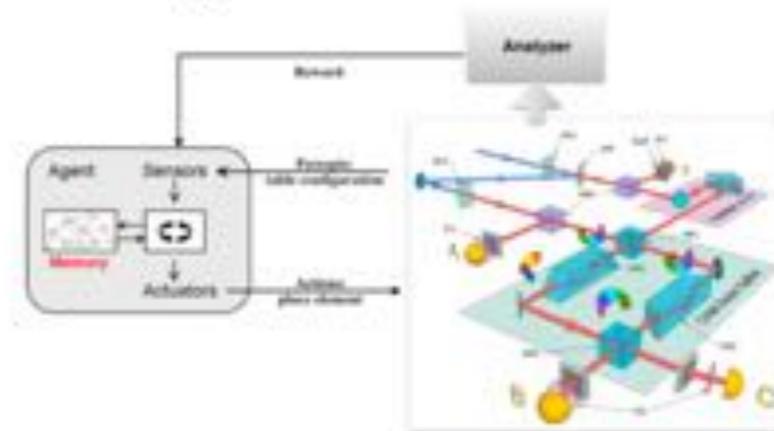


## economic (quasi)-algorithmic strategies

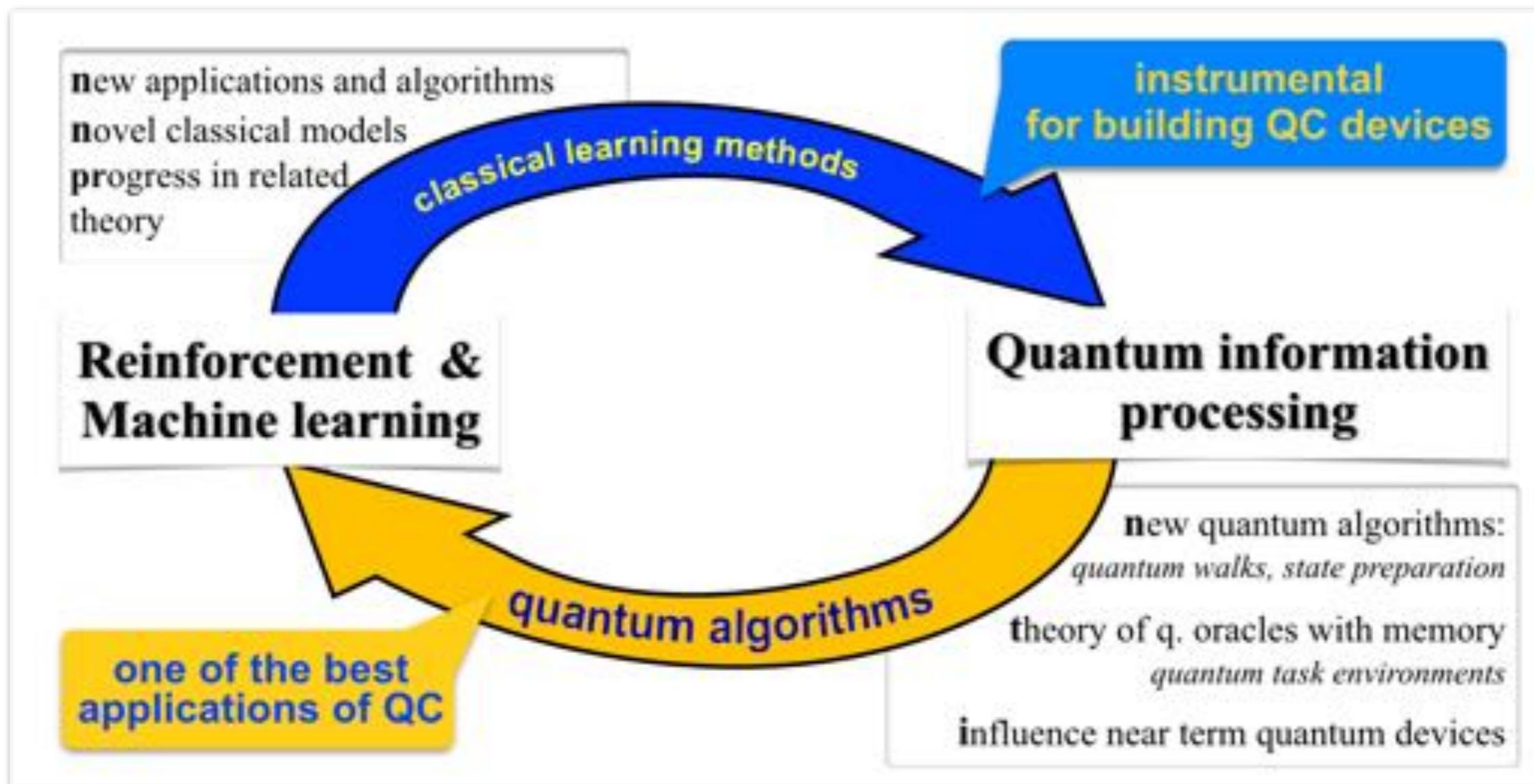
- ML-enhanced classical pre&post-processing
- decoders for error correction
- quantum memories (dynamical decoupling)
- tailored error correcting codes

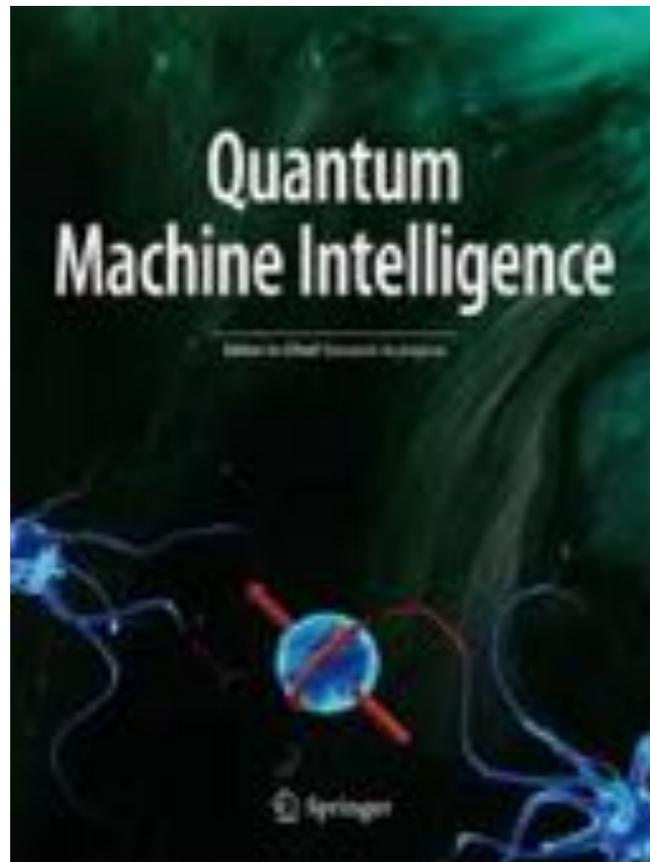


## designing new experiments and doing research



# Application, match, ... **conspiracy?**





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