

# Methodological topics Data-science specifics (part 1)

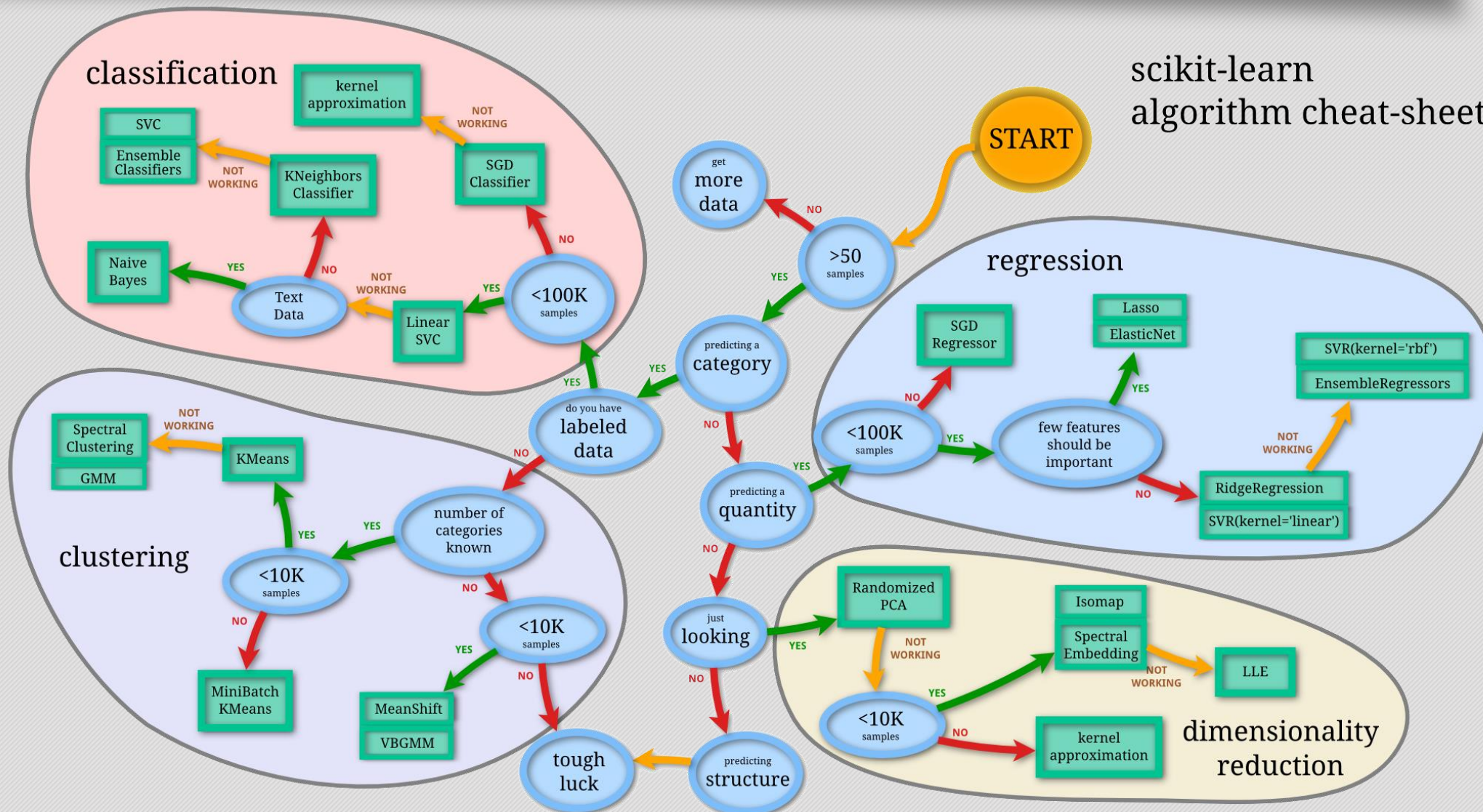


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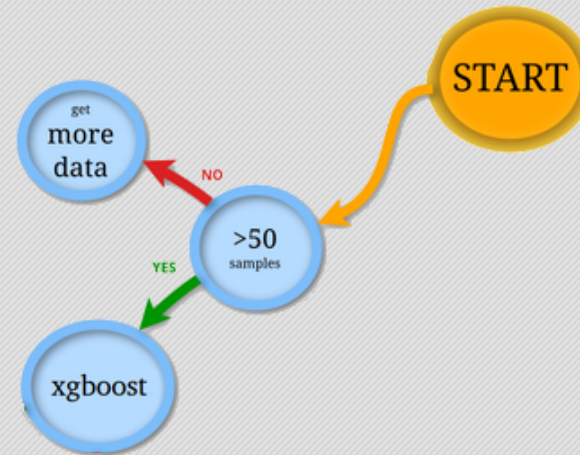
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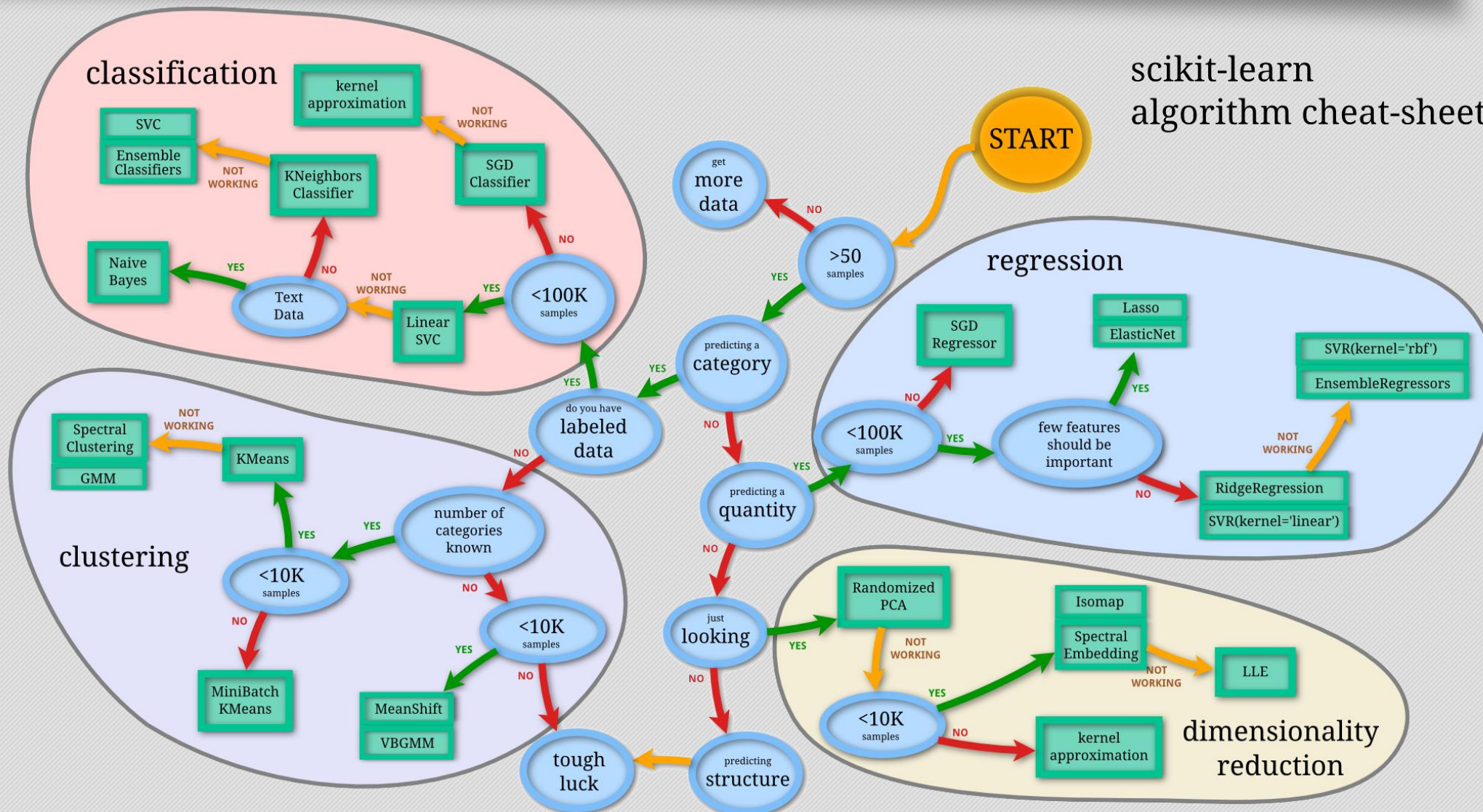


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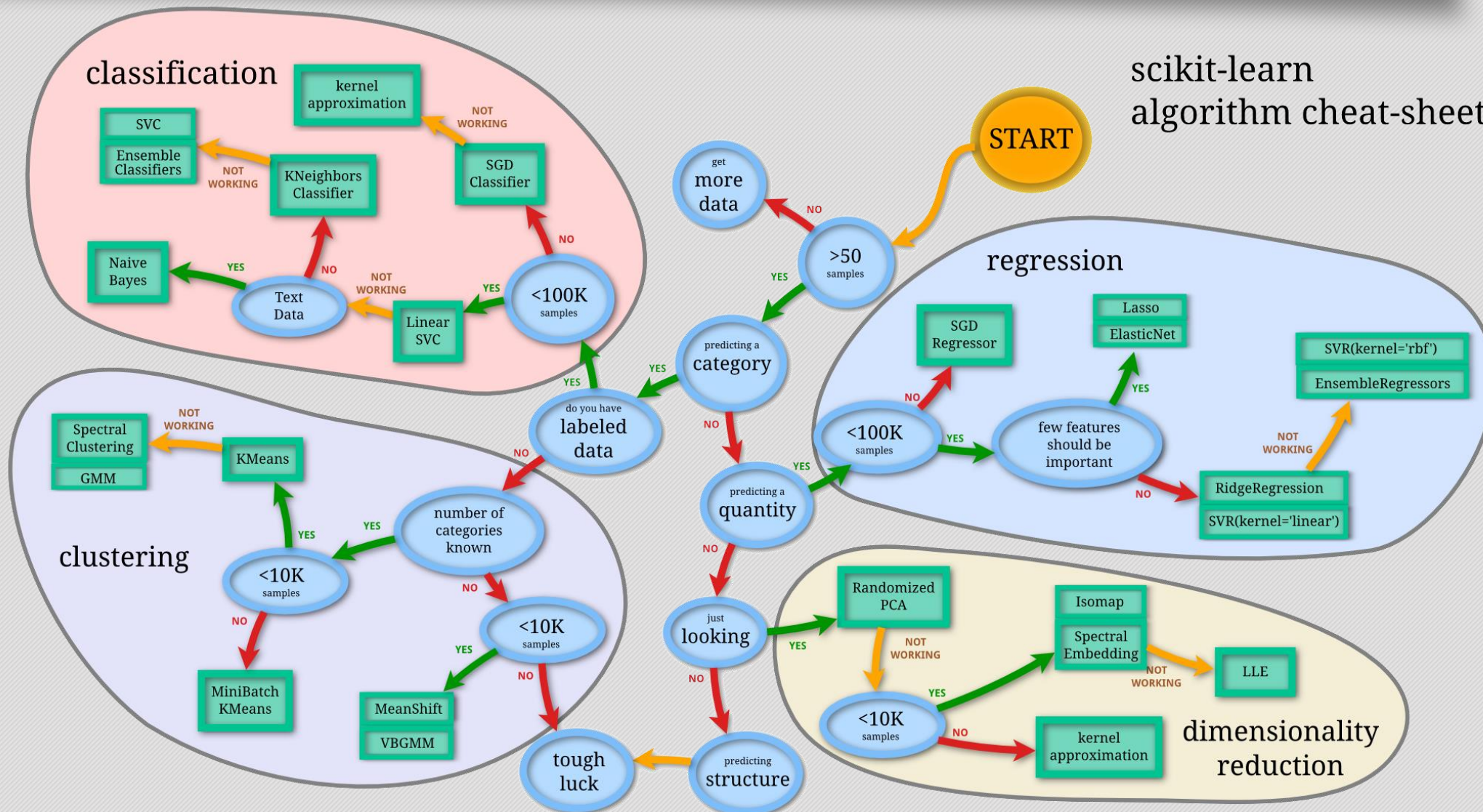
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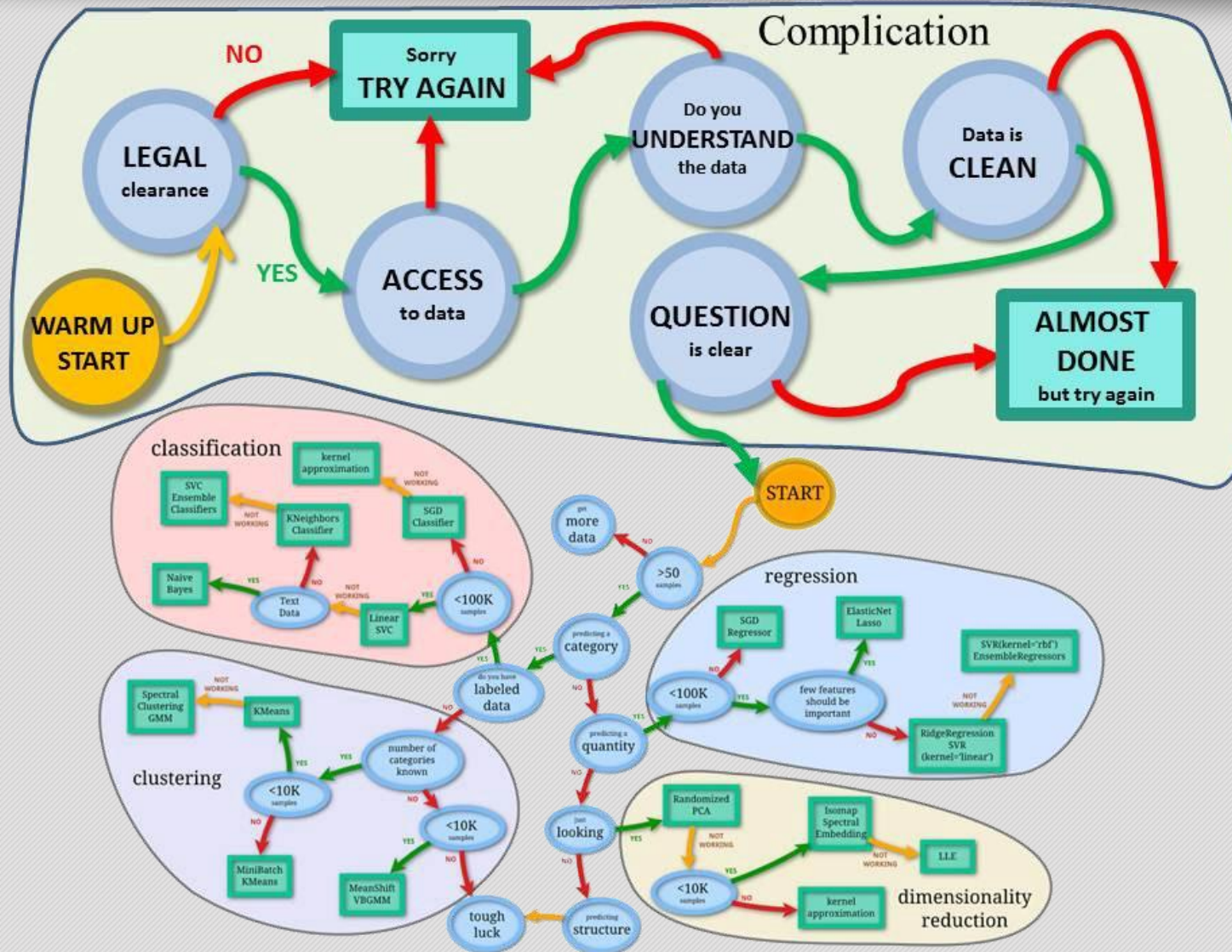
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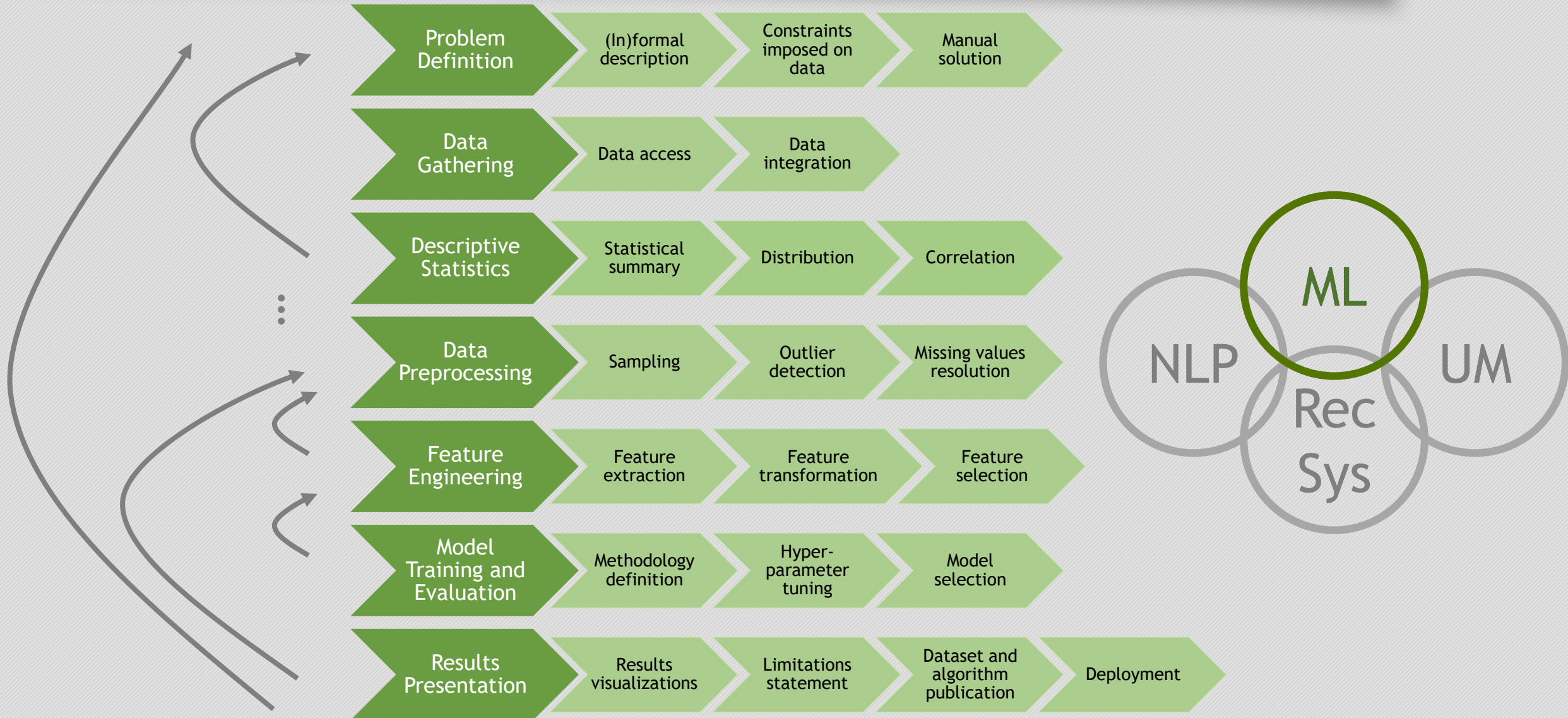
# Scikit-learn algorithm cheat-sheet - extended



- ... you need to answer before starting work on solution proposal and implementation:
  - How to define data-science (machine learning, ...) task?
  - How to select/create appropriate dataset?
  - How to describe your dataset?
  - How to preprocess your dataset?
  - ...

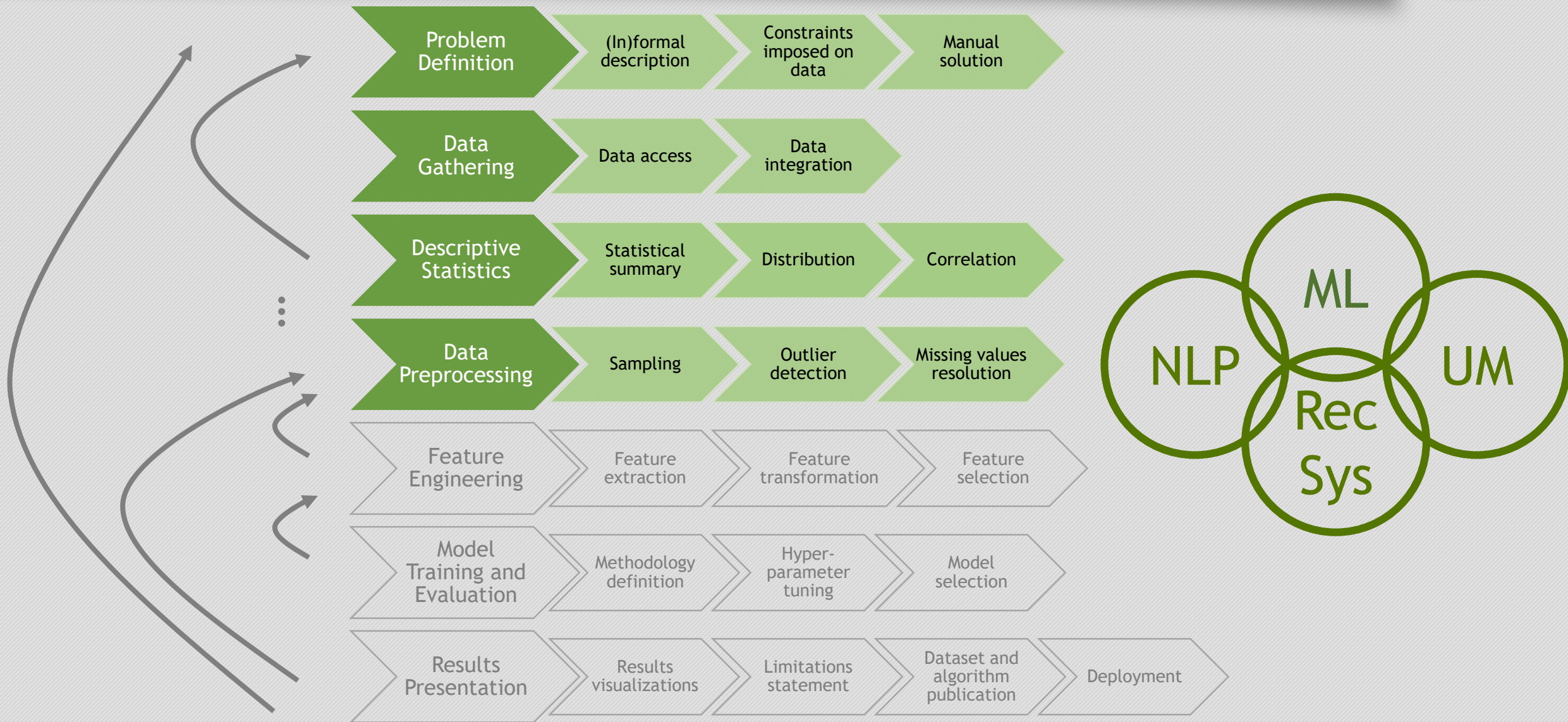


# ML Workflow: Overview



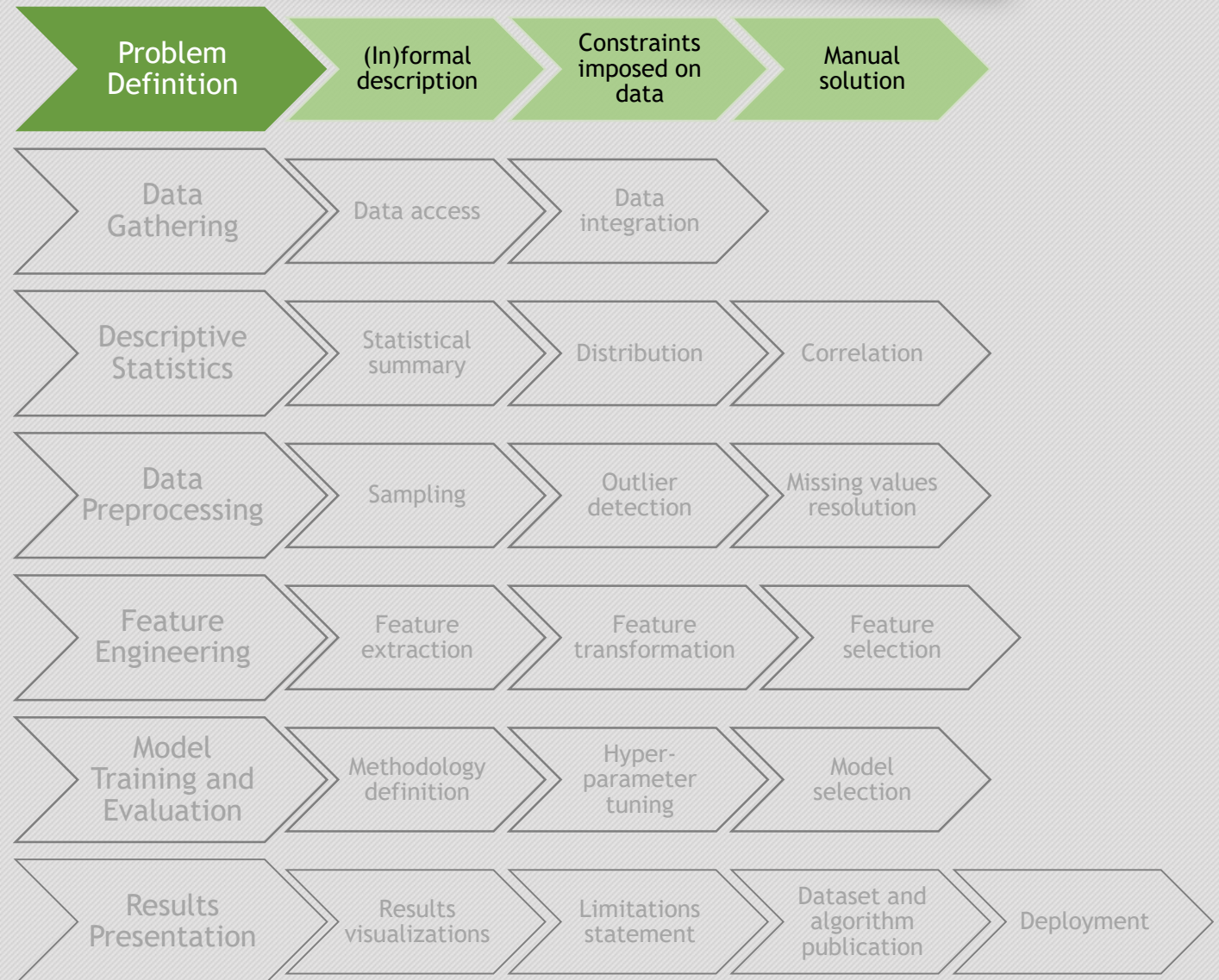


# ML Workflow: Generic part



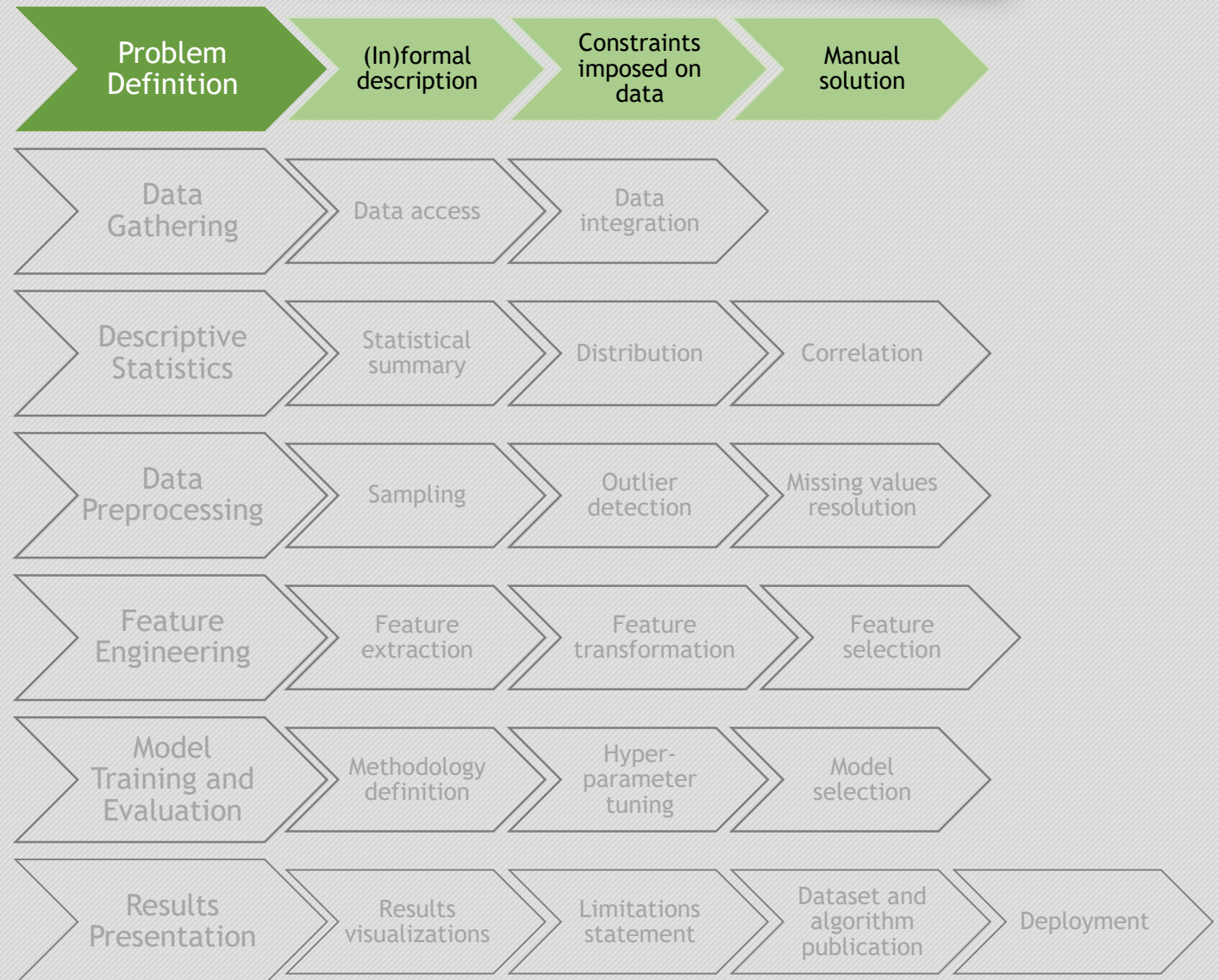
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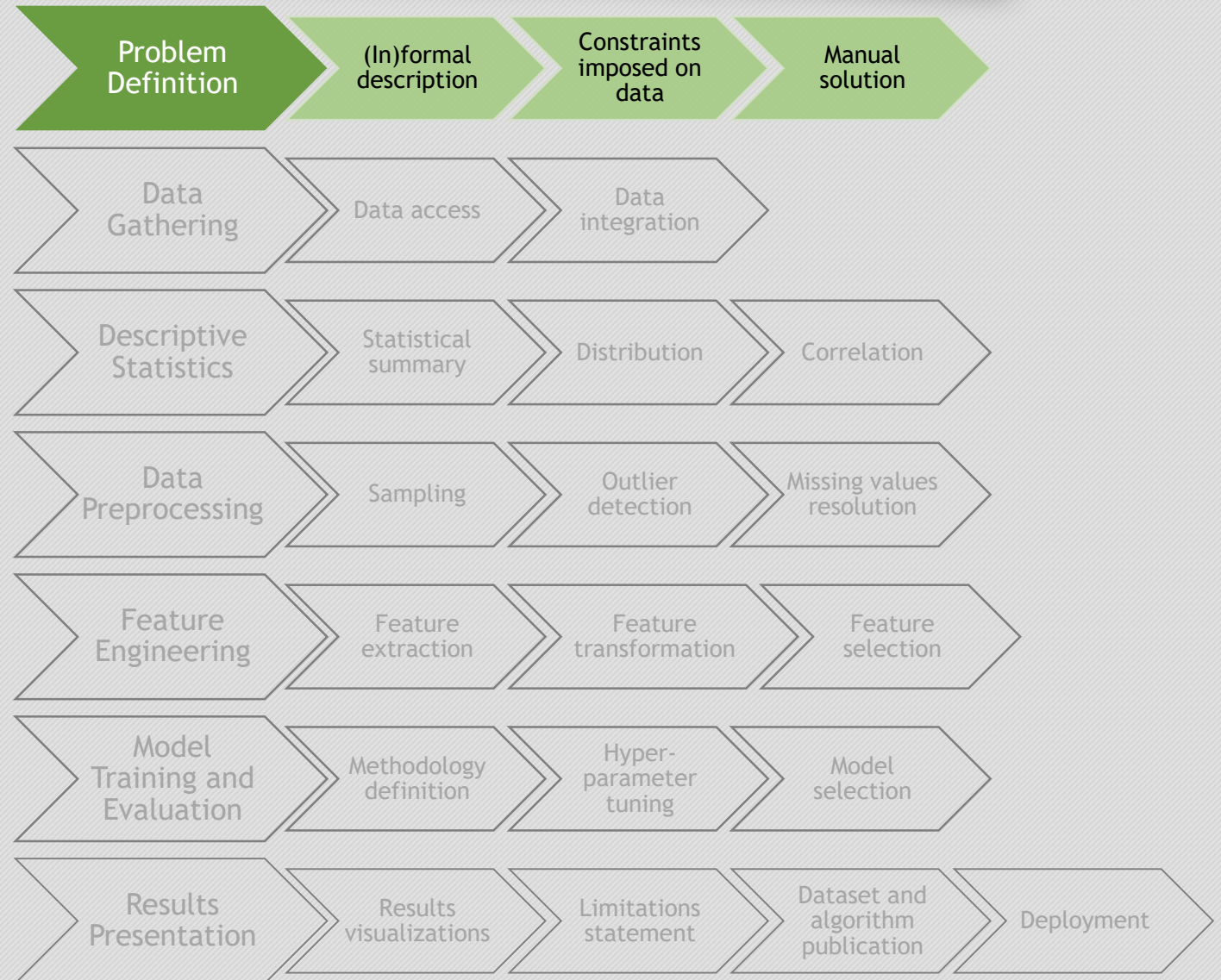
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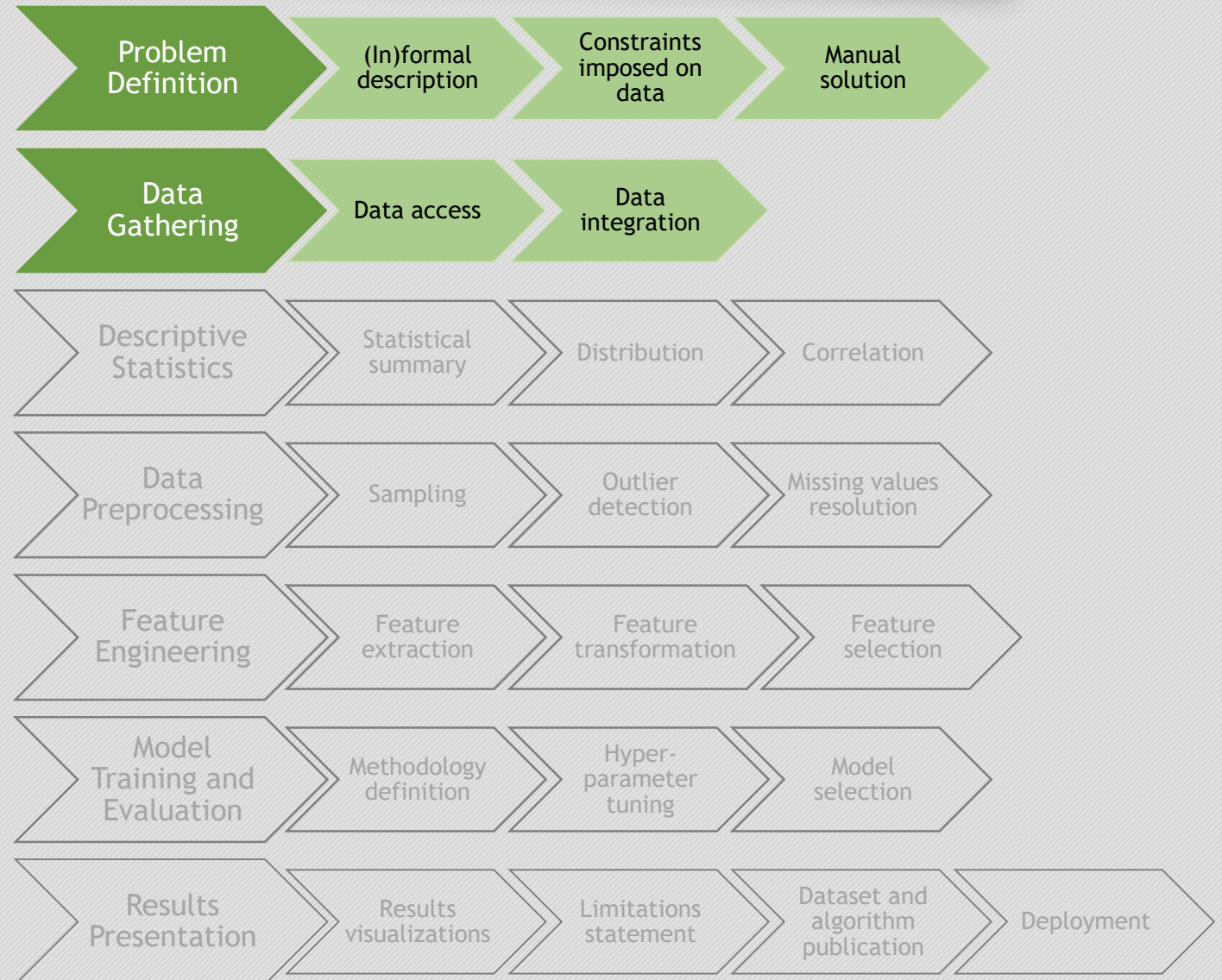
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- Explore possible manual solutions
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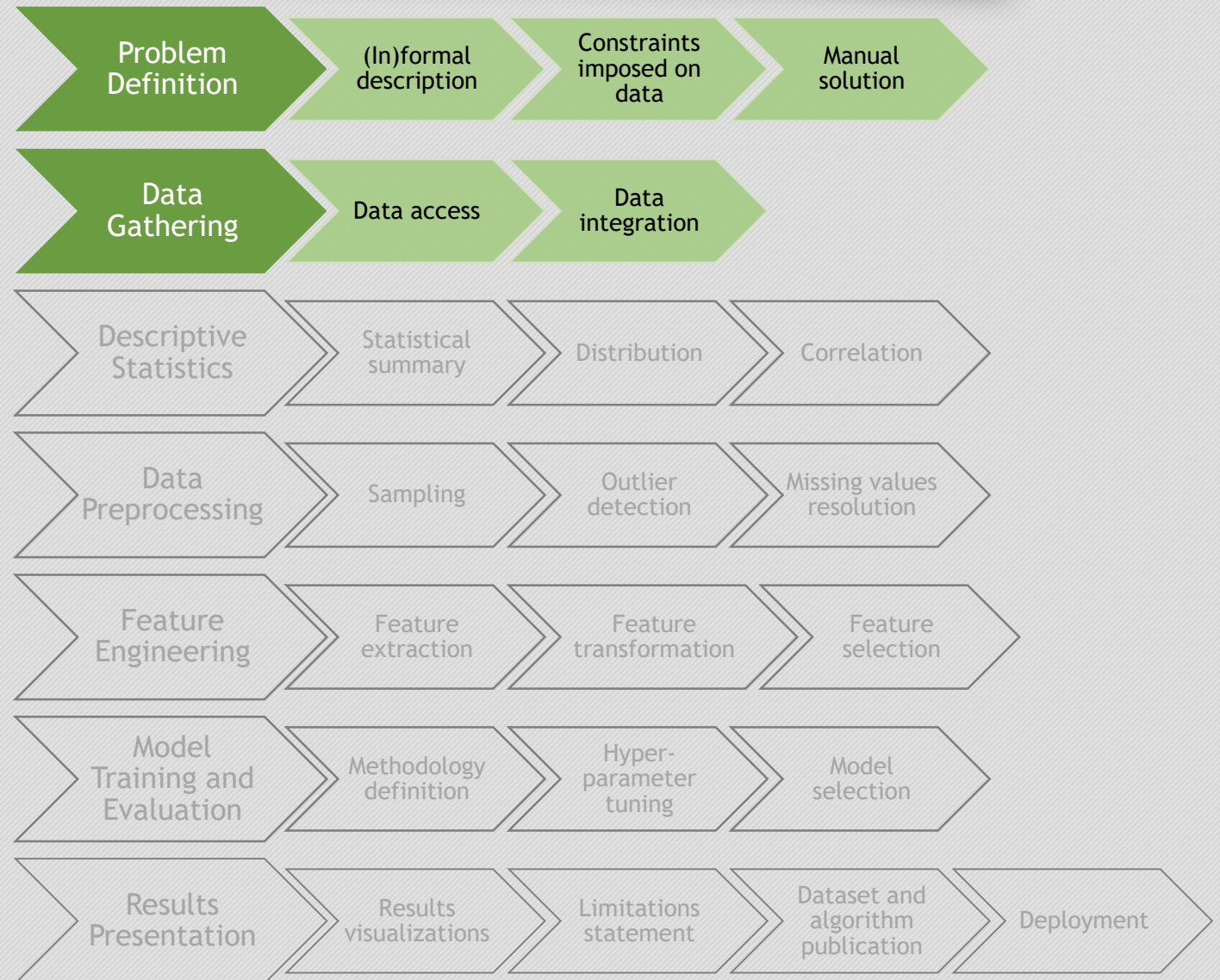
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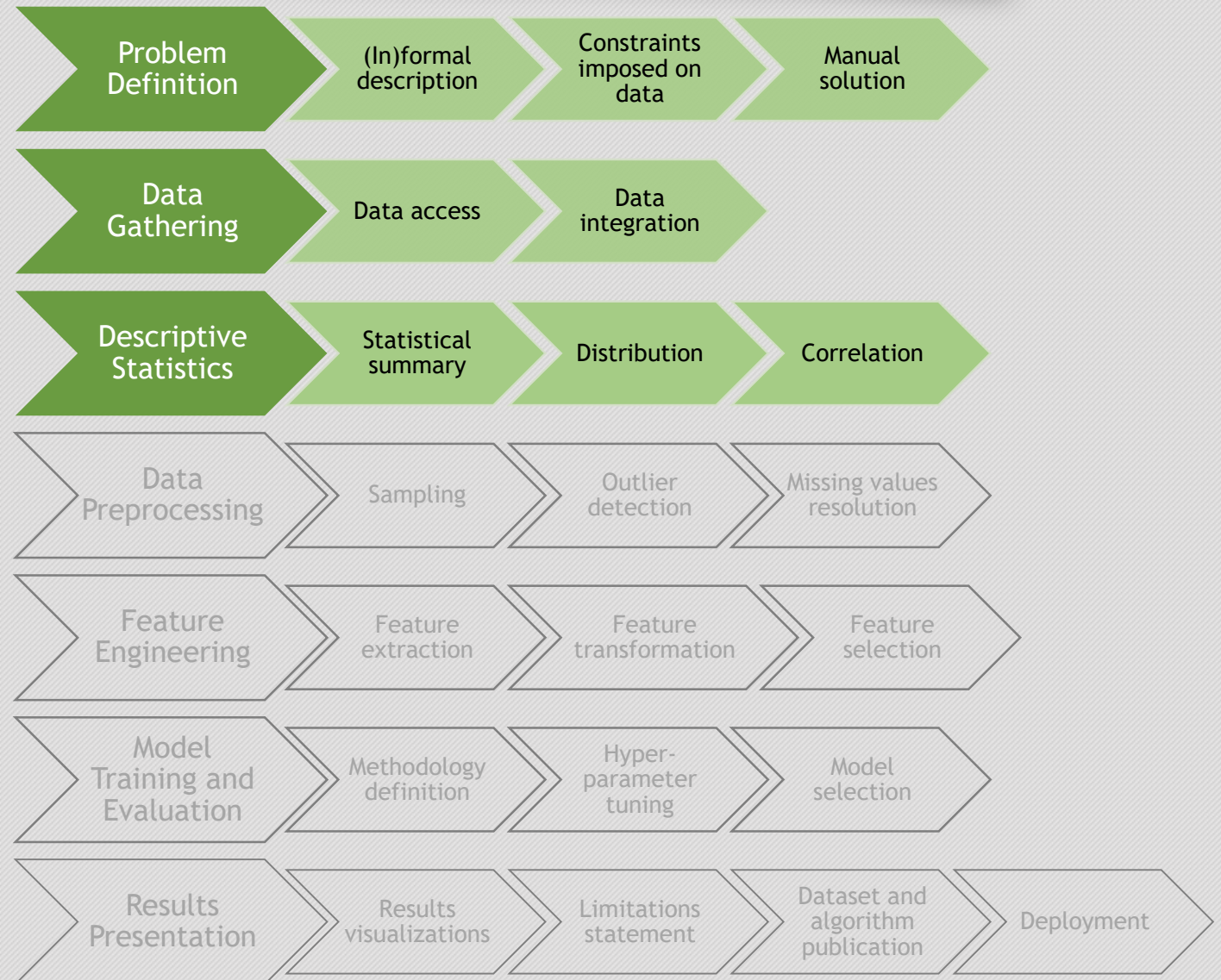
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- Some ML task can be solved only when you integrate data from several sources
  - Different sources = different structure and format
- Data consolidation
  - Entity mapping
  - User IDs (email, DB ID, cookie, username, ...)
  - Item IDs (code, name, ...)



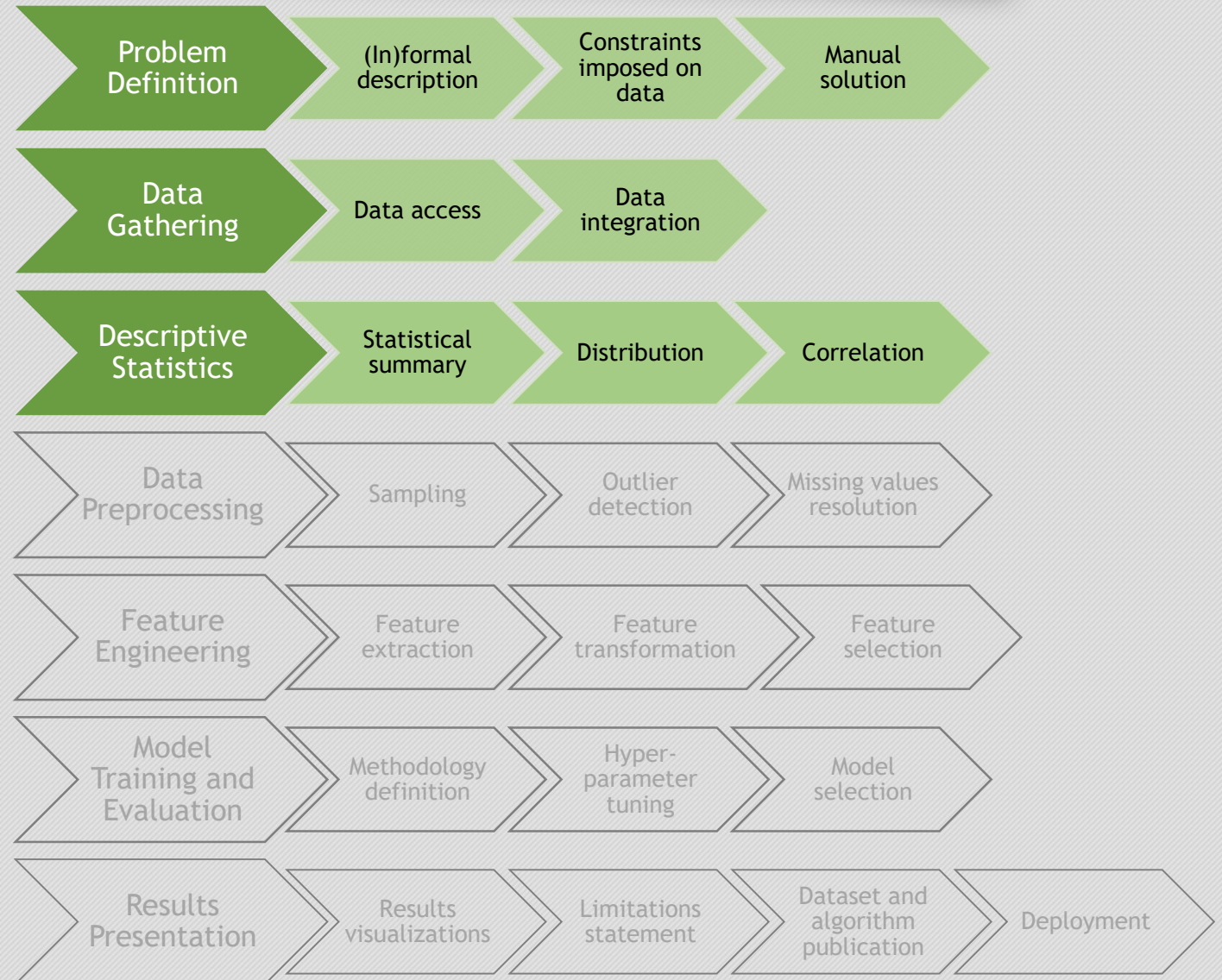
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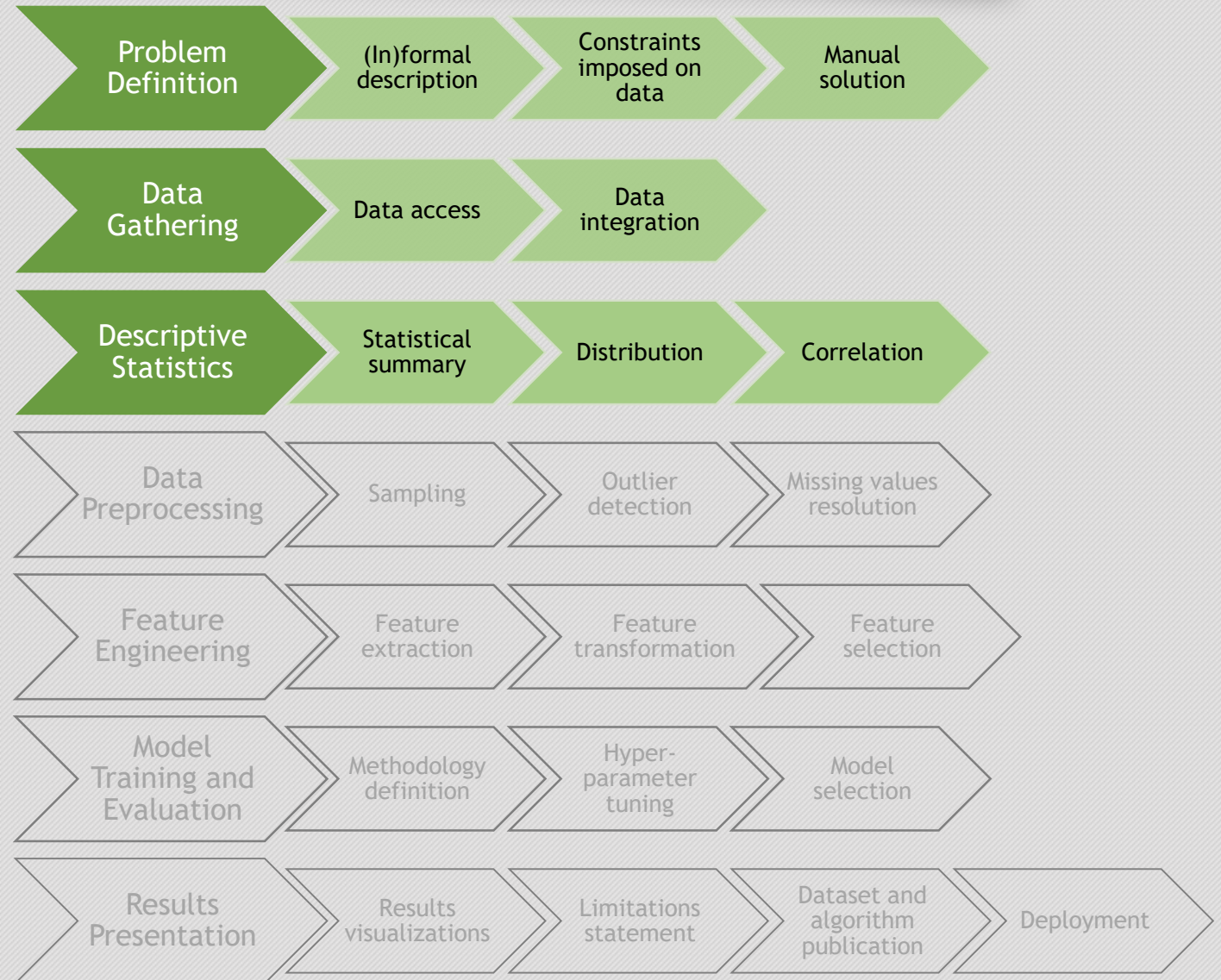
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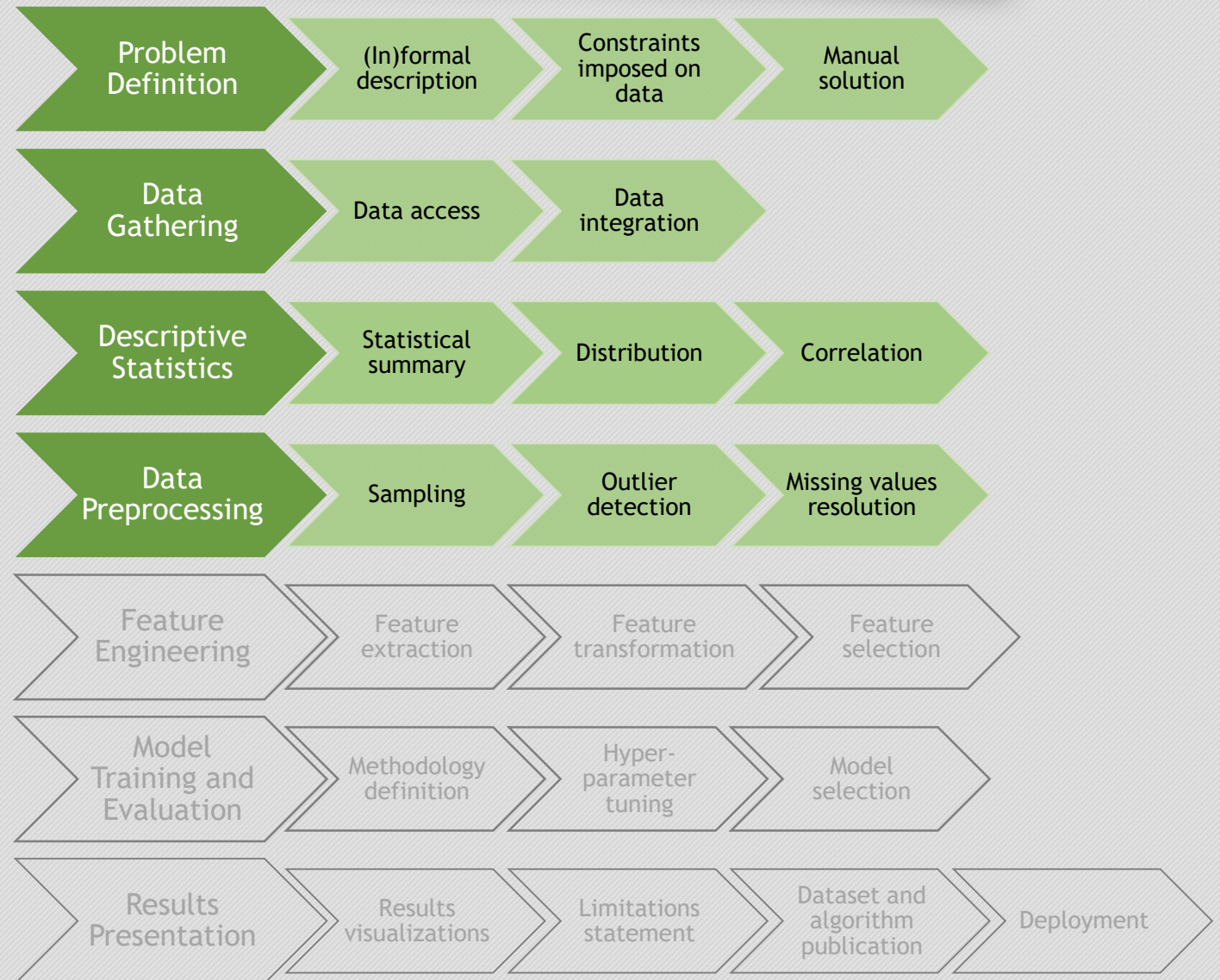
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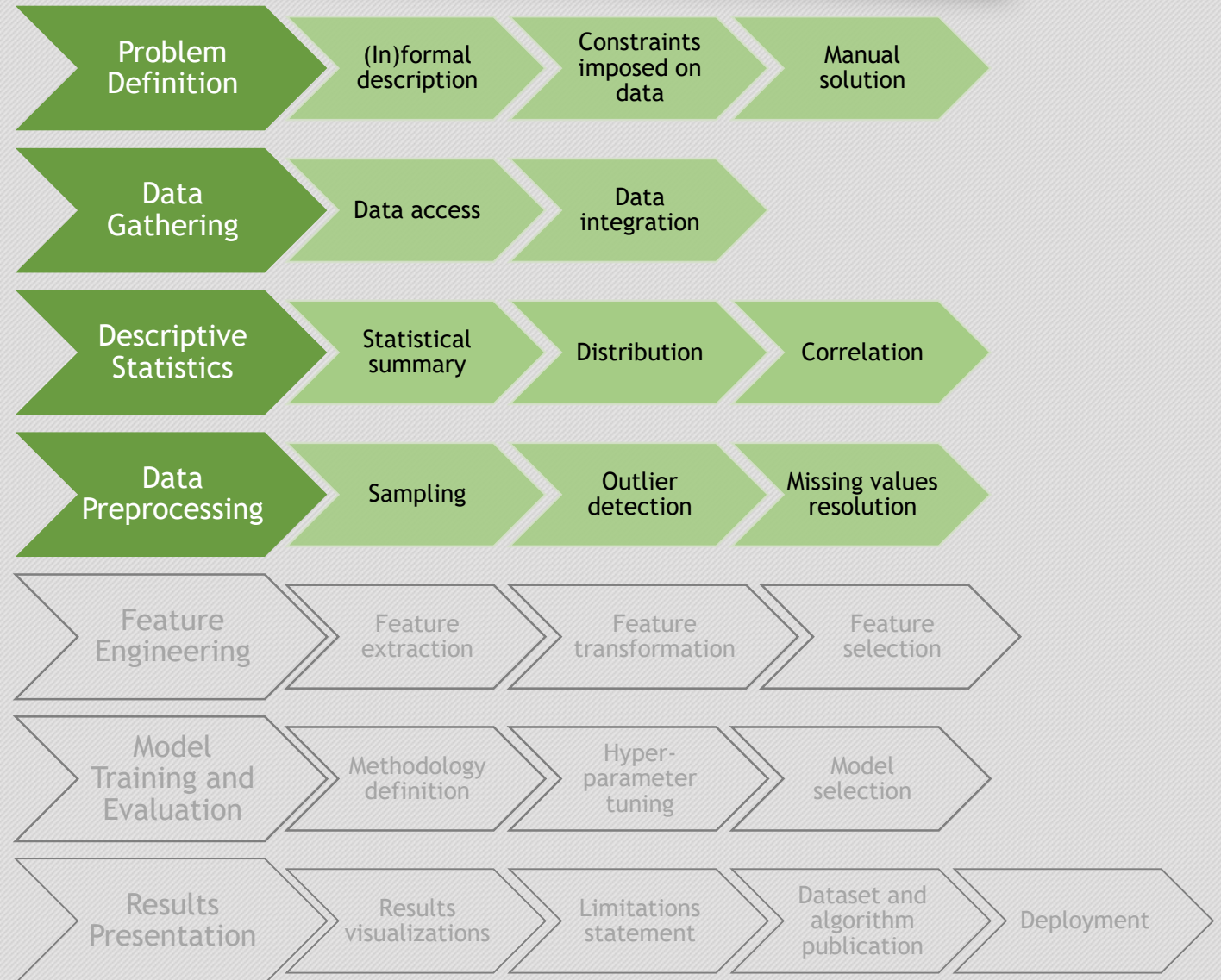
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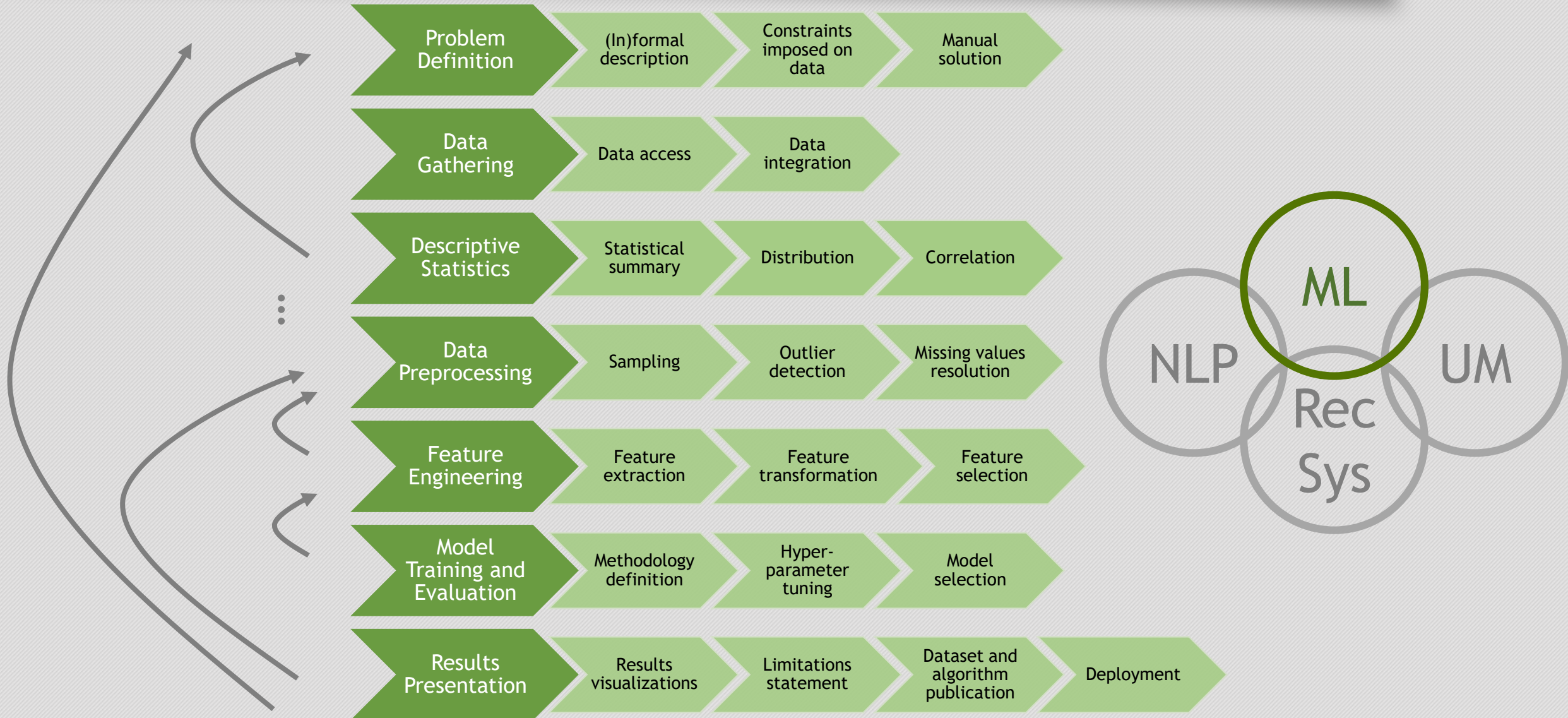


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- Machine learning requires well-prepared data
  - Detect outliers
  - Replace missing values



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- <https://machinelearningmastery.com/4-steps-to-get-started-in-machine-learning/>