

Machine Learning and Data Science: Opportunities and Cautions in Science and Engineering

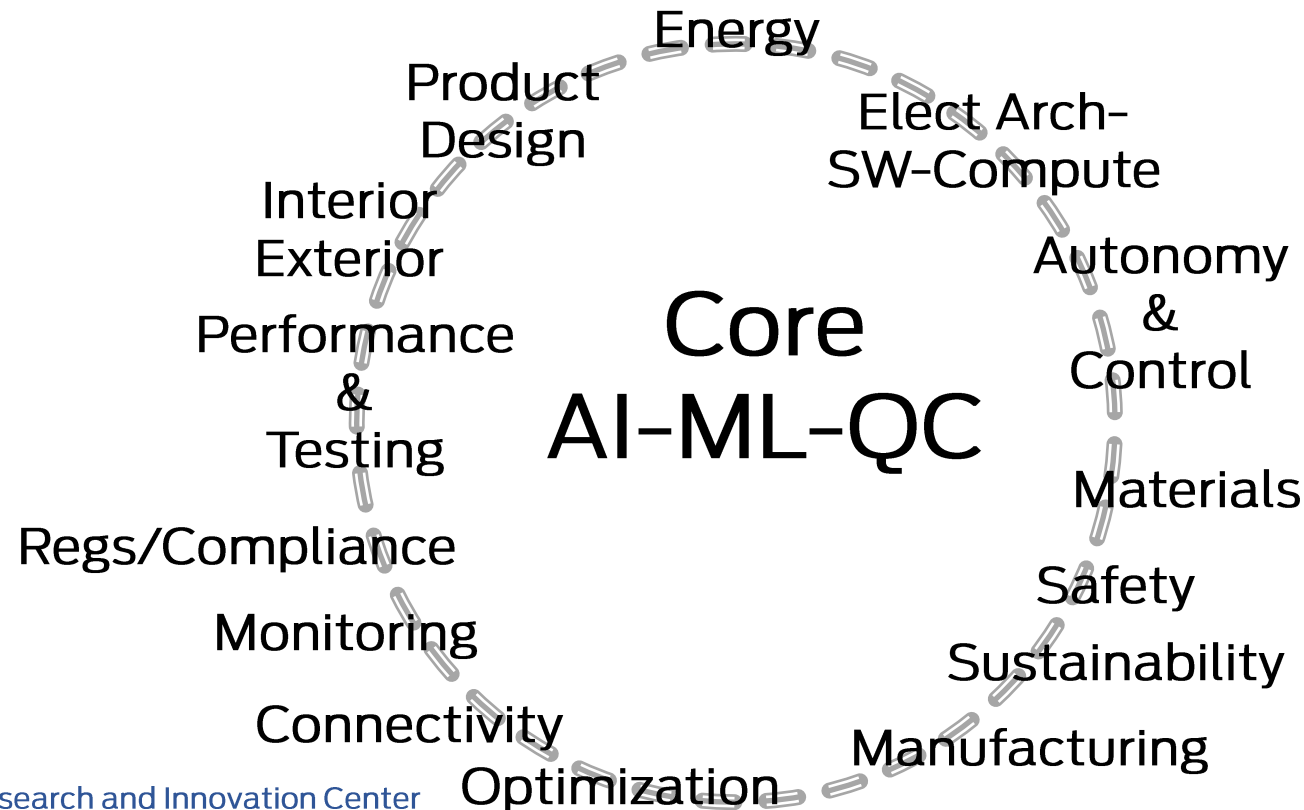
Discussions from initial efforts at Ford

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Focus

The intention of ML₄I is to foster and illustrate the adoption of ML methods for practical industrial outcomes. The forum will consist of a robust and open dialog between industry, research institutions, vendors, and academia to strengthen the technology transfer of ML methods to industrial needs.



Discussion today

We provide high lights of the problem domains, specific to the Automotive Industry, and discuss impacts and experiences of ML and data-sci .

1. *Changing Landscape in Industry : Science, Engineering, Manufacturing*
 - ❑ We discuss the Automotive Industry
 - ❑ We do not discuss Autonomous driving
2. *Adoption of ML and Data Science in Engineering/Manufacturing*
 - ❑ *Enablers , Pressures and Opportunities*
3. *Use cases ... some examples from industry (Ford)*
 - ❑ *A mix of examples to show case the span of ML-Impact*
4. *Outlook, Opportunities , Challenges*
 - ❑ *Data*
 - ❑ *Robustness*
 - ❑ *Causality*
 - ❑ *Cautions*

Changing Landscape in Science and Engineering

- We are in “The Fourth Paradigm”
- Science -- Engineering -- Manufacturing in industry
 - Old vs New
- Manufacturing – Industry 4.0
- Labs of the Future
 - High throughput research
 - Looped Intelligence
 - Continuous testing and Calibration

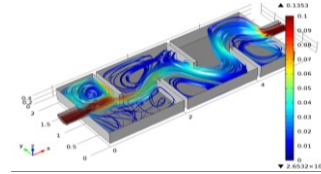
Data-Models-Compute ... progression to the 4th paradigm



Friedmann's Cosmic equations built upon Einstein's Field Equations and generalizes the expansion of the universe → physics-math

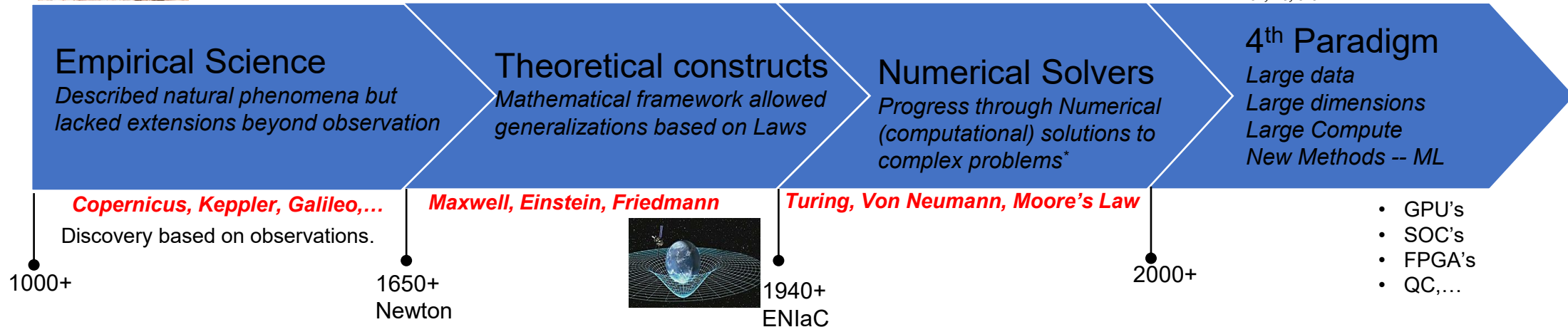
$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G\rho}{3} + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3} - \frac{kc^2}{a^2}$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}\left(\rho + \frac{3p}{c^2}\right) + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}$$



Navier Stokes ... cannot be solved except for degenerate cases and very simple geometries → DNS, LES

Adapted from:
The Fourth Paradigm, Data-Intensive Scientific discovery
Tony Hey et.al



Have observations (**data**)
Needed new instruments
Needed theories for generalizations

Developed theory
Needed solvers for more complex problems

Developed Numerical solvers
Needed better compute and better numerical methods for speed

Have new compute
Developed new methods (**data**)
Move to newer compute - QC

Science-Engineering & Manufacturing



Manufacturing: Industry 1.0 → 4.0



– INNOVATION CYCLE –
MONTHS TO YEARS



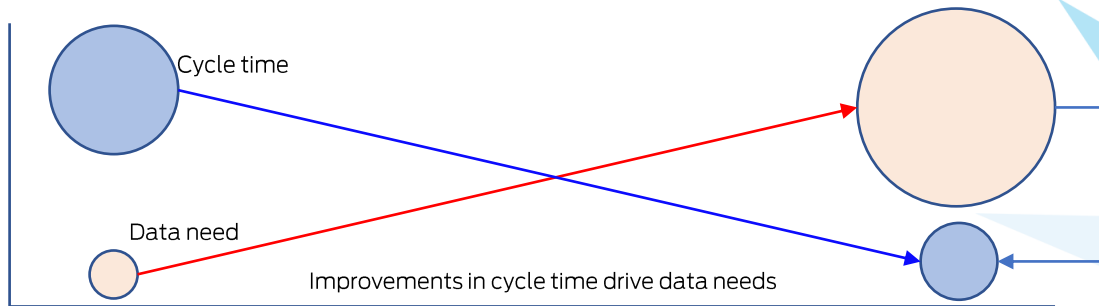
– INNOVATION CYCLE –
WEEKS TO MONTHS



– INNOVATION CYCLE –
HOURS TO WEEKS



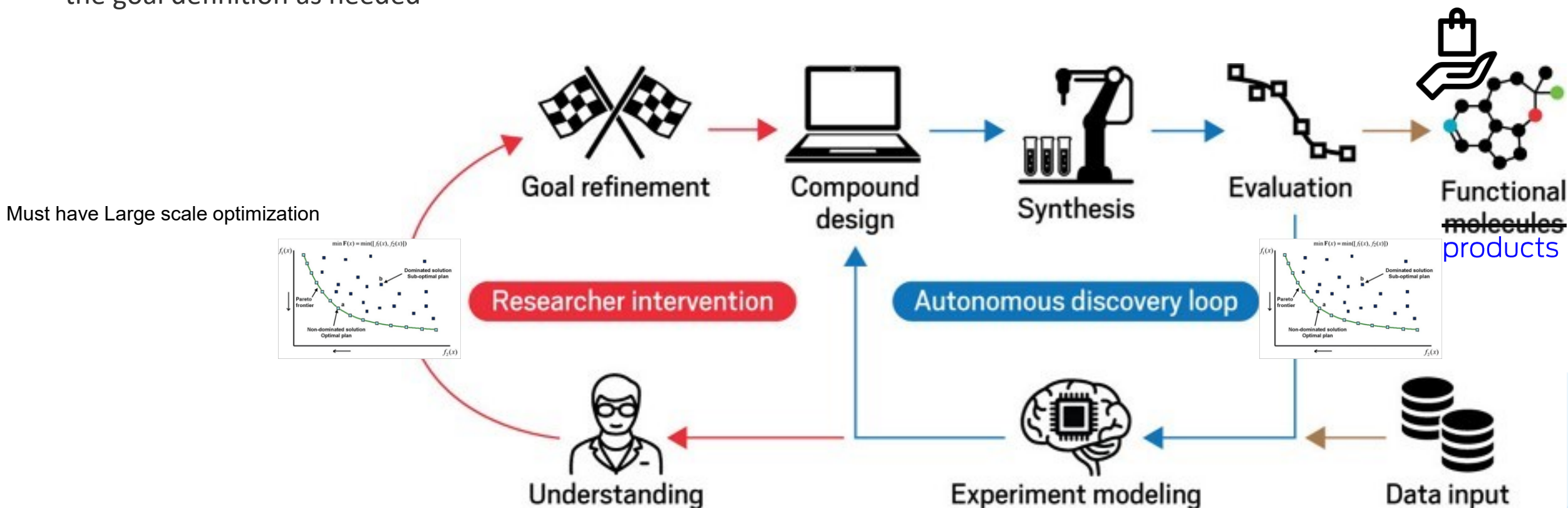
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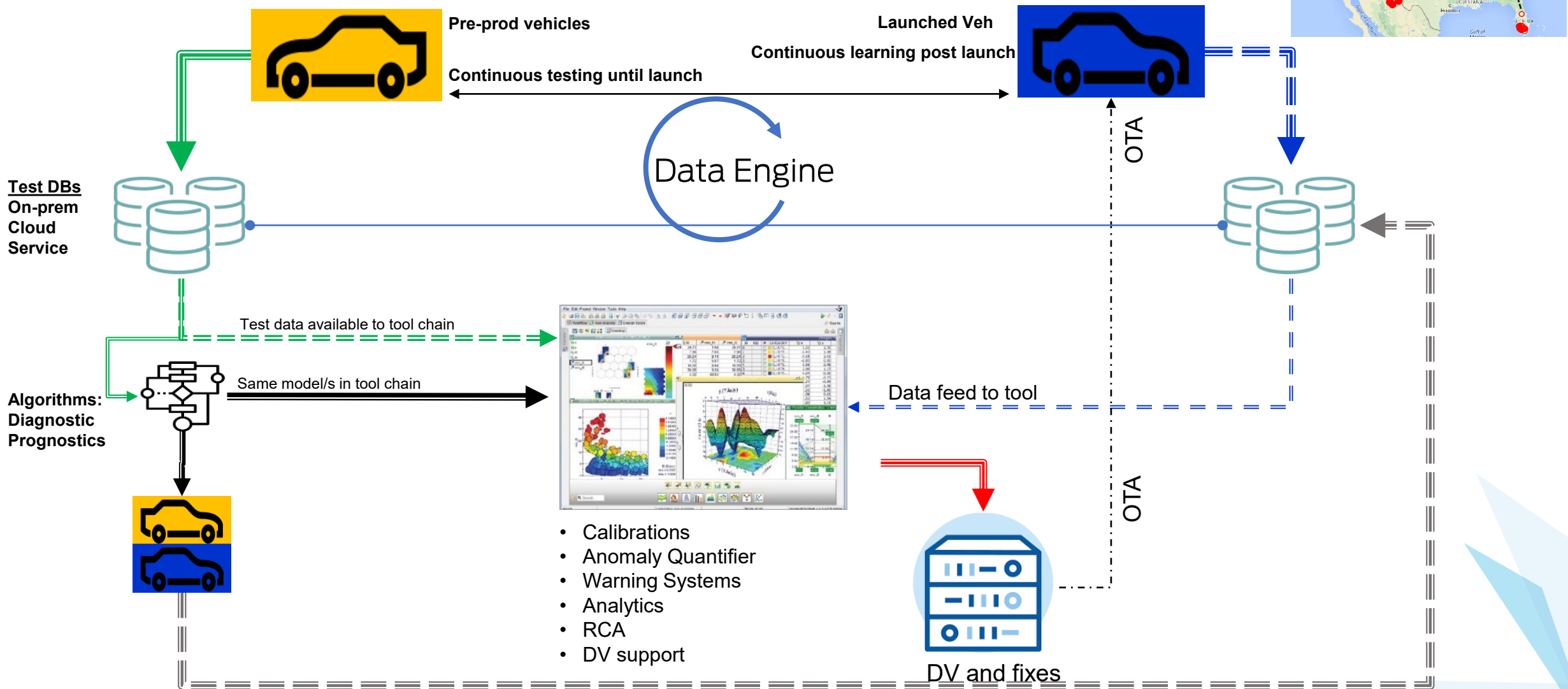
Accelerated discovery with Labs of the Future

LOOPED INTELLIGENCE

An autonomous chemistry laboratory runs experimental cycles intended to yield useful **products molecules**. In the cycle, artificial intelligence models the experiment and designs a **product compound**, robotic equipment runs the synthesis, and AI evaluates the output; researchers **{and product designers}** interpret the data and adjust experimental/**design** models or the goal definition as needed



Conny enables continuous testing and calibration



Adoption of ML and Data Science in Industry

3 key enablers for adoption

New sensing in vehicles and manufacturing

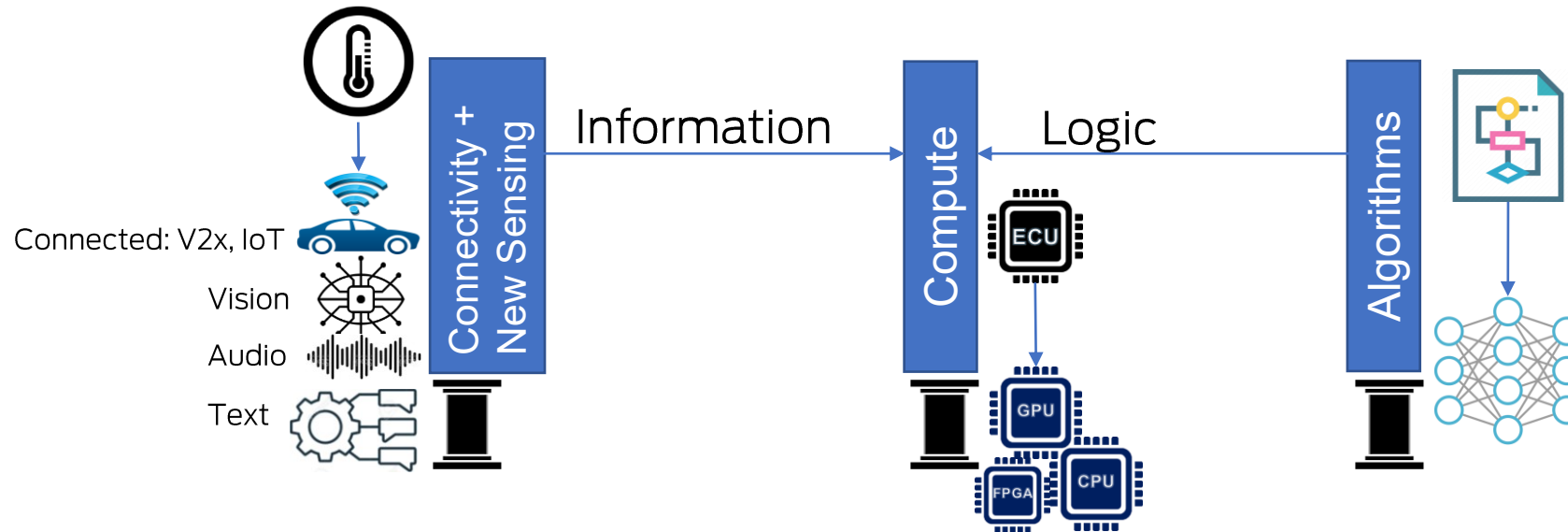
- Perception, IoT , IIoT (5G)
- Audio, Language

Demands/Pressures for adoption

- Need for high throughput research → fast discovery
- Fresh look at high dimensional and/or complex problem domains
 - Need for high fidelity but fast surrogate models
- Automation → Autonomy, Control
 - Vehicles
 - Mobility
 - Manufacturing
 - Robotics
 - ⋮
- Asset Monitoring
 - Vehicles/Fleets
 - Manufacturing

Emerging technologies and a changing landscape

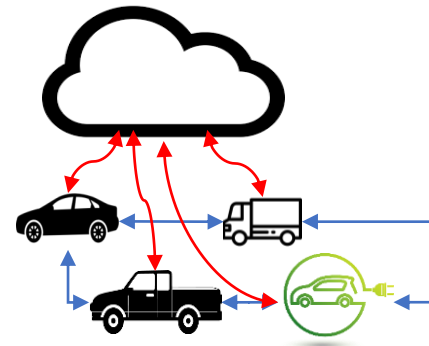
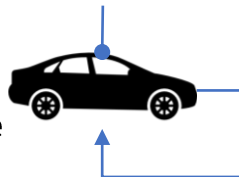
3- Pillars: 1. Connectivity + New Sensing, 2. Algorithms, 3. Compute



Factory IIoT



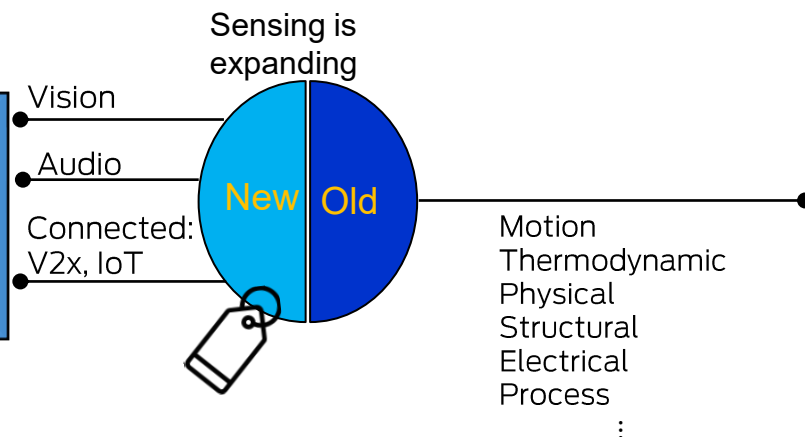
- Independent single- veh control
- Human in the loop
- Homogenous on board compute
- Onboard sensing



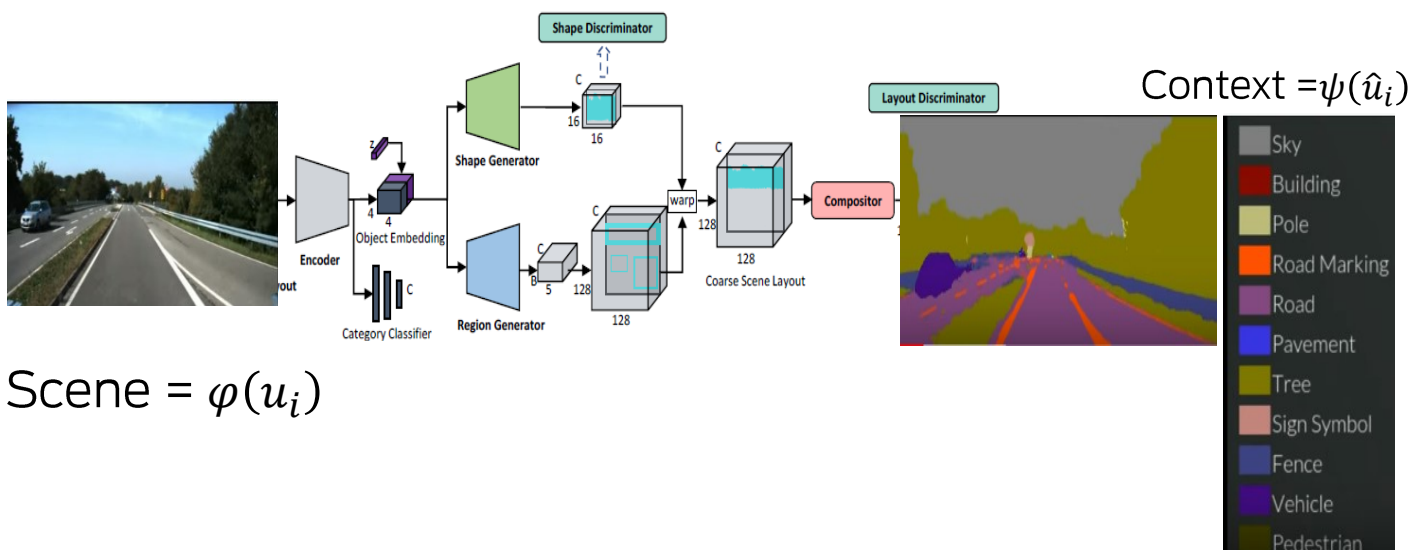
- Dependent multi- veh control
- Human may/may not be in the loop
- Heterogenous compute
- Onboard + V2x+ Edge+ Cloud+ new sensing

Sensing → new information sources are indirect sensing

Indirect sensing (unstructured) rich in Information that must be extracted requiring an additional layer of pre-processing and information encoding in data (labeling)

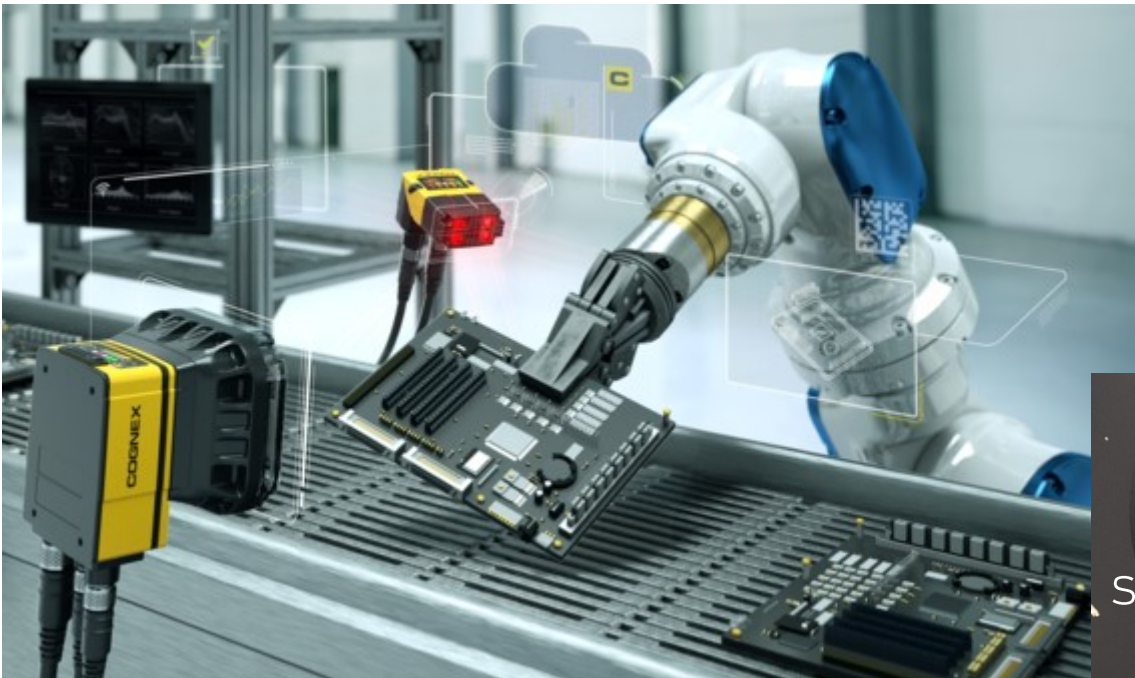


Information is directly encoded in the sensed parameter and is available for reconstruction via a known direct transform.

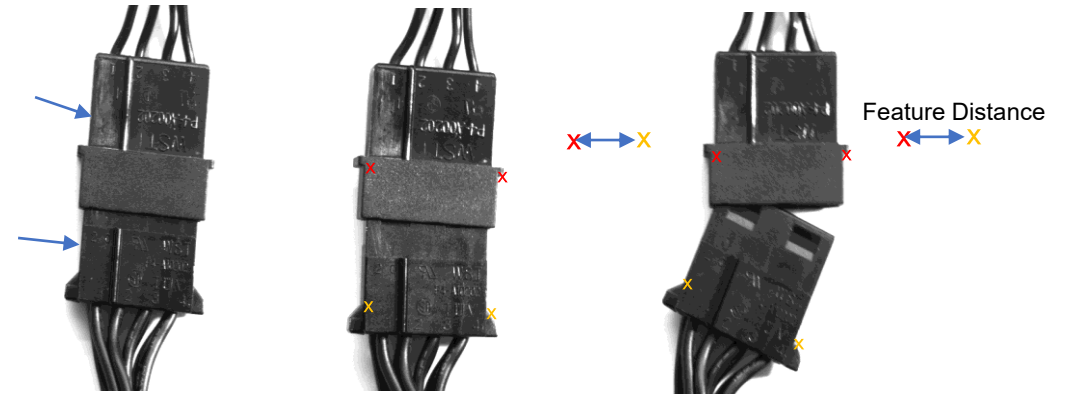


Slow traffic → control actions ?

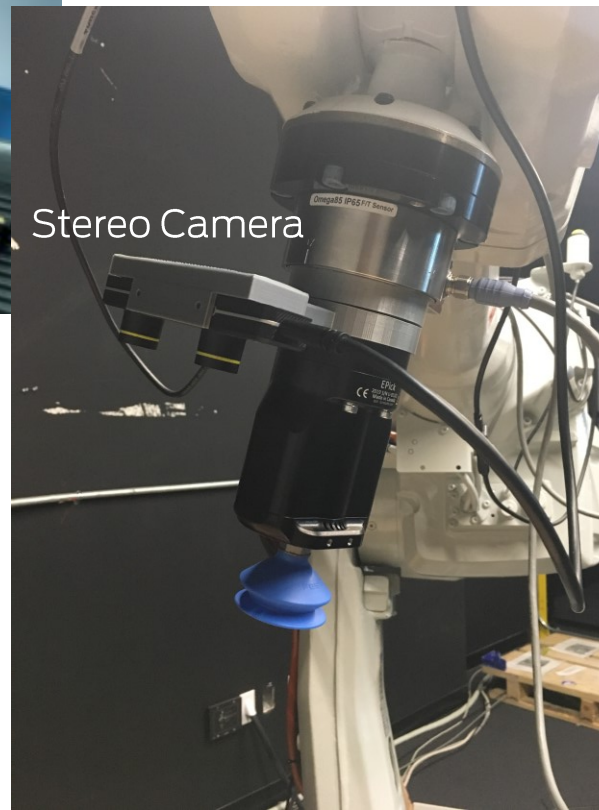
Vision in Manufacturing



In situ error-proofing



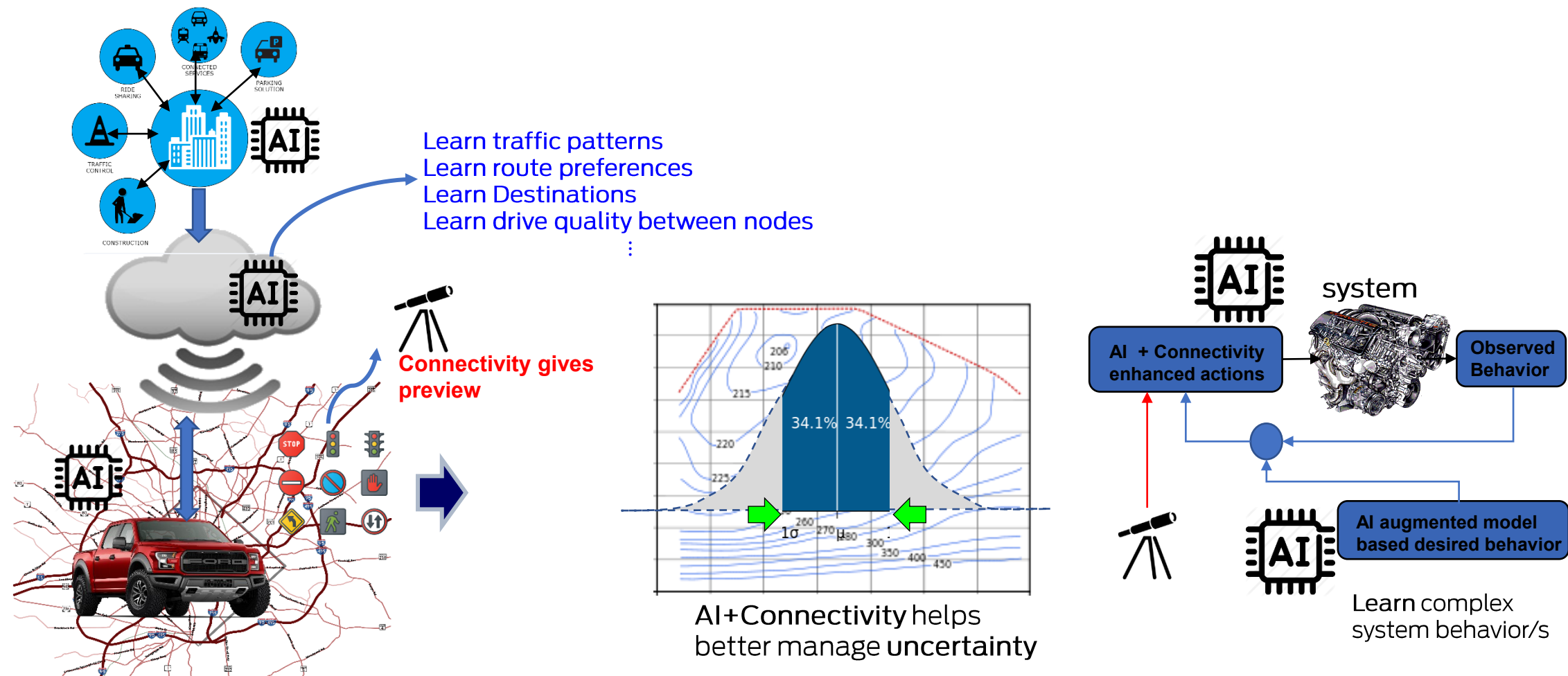
Stereo Camera



keypoints



Connectivity and AI improve decisions under uncertainty through continuous Learning and exploiting preview



Connectivity with preview gives insight into stochastic events (traffic incidents).

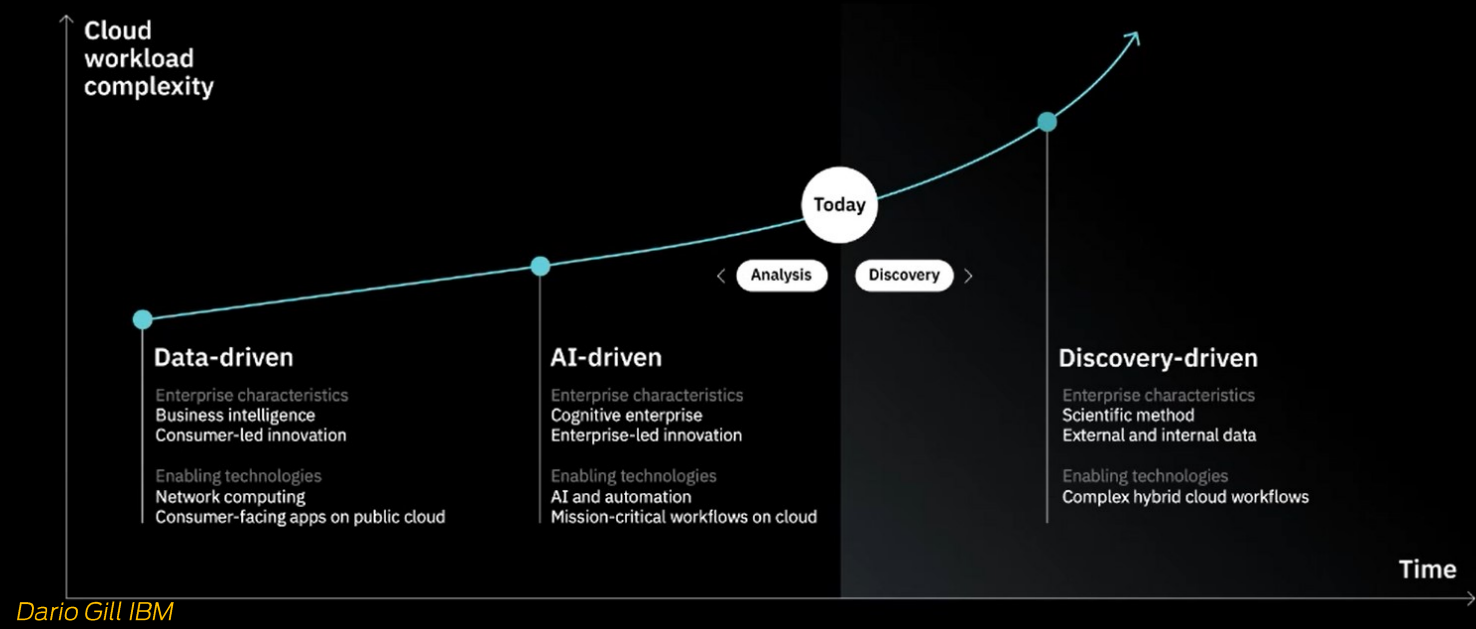
Combination of AI and Connectivity allows better management of uncertainty with improved Risk Reward trade-off.

Demands/Pressures

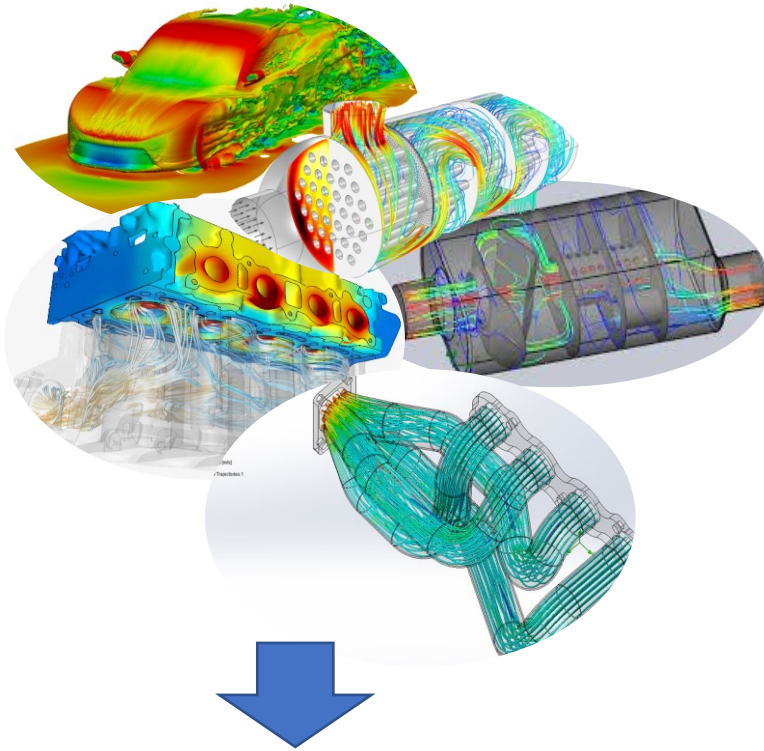
- ❑ Fear of being left behind
- ❑ Industry must re-orient/adapt and choose carefully
- ❑ Industry must understand its data, adopt new tools, upskill and know where to apply ML.
- ❑ OTS solutions are typically NOT available for engineering problems → must create these
 - ❑ Drives the demand for Engineers and Scientists to be proficient in ML
- ❑ There are many sellers of “false AI dreams” ... must carefully navigate between fact and fiction. Companies/Start-ups with multi-mil\$ valuations are selling “stuff” that used to be commonplace. Hence, in house expertise is needed to separate fact from fiction.

High throughput research: targeted discovery vs chance

Accelerated Discovery will provide a foundation for the Discovery-driven enterprise.



High dimensional, complex problem domains



Sim time can take “days” for a single run per case
Curse of dimensionality \rightarrow formally ... computational cost increases with dimensionality of problem
Ex. Finite difference discretization with N points per dimension and d dimensions requires compute over N^d points

3-D PDE with 1000 points per dimension $\rightarrow 1000^3 \times 64 \text{ bits} \approx 8\text{GB}$
RAM \rightarrow doable on a high-end laptop
4-D PDE with 1000 points per dimension $\rightarrow 1000^4 \times 64 \text{ bits} \approx 8\text{TB}$
Needs specialized nodes on HPC
5-D ... needs new compute
Images ... very high dimensional , MNIST 28x28 $\rightarrow 784$ dimensional input

Standard solvers \rightarrow Slow Simulations

PINNs \rightarrow Less data,
Interpretable, speed-up

Data Driven Models, Surrogates, ROMS, PINNS, Hybrids

High dimensional, complex problem domains: Li-Ion batteries

Negative Electrode

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_n \frac{\partial c_n}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[D_n \frac{\partial c_n}{\partial x} \right] + a_n (1 - t_+) j_n \\ -\sigma_n \frac{\partial \Phi_{1,n}}{\partial x} - \kappa_n \frac{\partial \Phi_{2,n}}{\partial x} + \frac{2\kappa_n RT}{F} (1 - t_+) \frac{\partial \ln c_n}{\partial x} &= I(t) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\sigma_n \frac{\partial \Phi_{1,n}}{\partial x} \right] &= a_n F j_n \\ \frac{\partial c_n^s}{\partial t} &= \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[r^2 D_n^s \frac{\partial c_n^s}{\partial r} \right] \\ \rho_n C_{p,n} \frac{dT_n}{dt} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\lambda_n \frac{\partial T_n}{\partial x} \right] + Q_{rxn,n} + Q_{rev,n} + Q_{ohm,n} \end{aligned}$$

Separator

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Positive Electrode

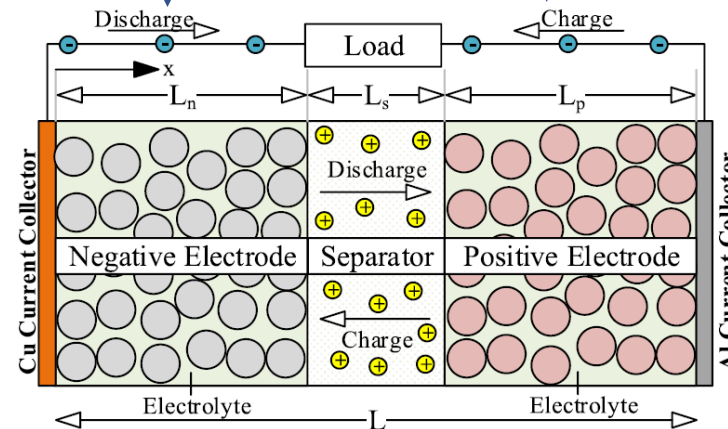
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D: diffusion coefficient
 t_+ : transference coefficient
 λ : thermal conductivity
 j : pore wall flux
 Q : source terms

Length scales:

X-direction: 100 μm
 Y-direction: 5 cm
 500-1 aspect ratio

Particle radius: 2-5 μm



Fick's law of diffusion for spherical particles
 conservation laws
 Kirchhoff's and Ohm's
 Butler-Volmer kinetics
 Fourier's heat equation

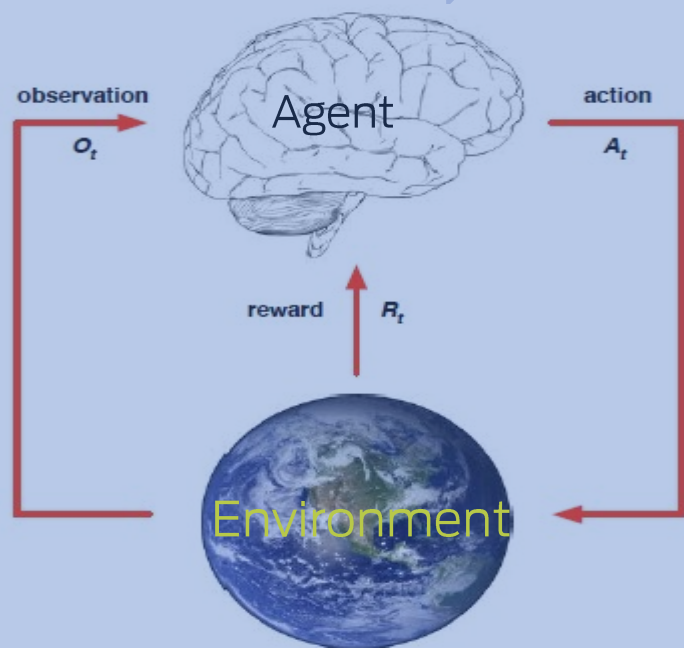
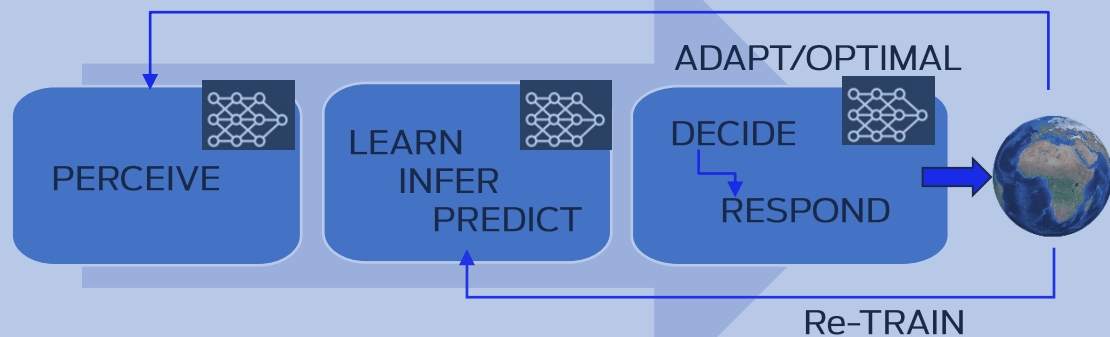
High dimensional, complex problem domains

- Just to note, there are many such problems across several domains in Science and Engineering.
- One fact that does stand out, and we will talk about this again, is the impact of these complexities on purely data driven re-constructions.
- For systems with high degrees of Nonlinearity, a data driven reconstruction of the system dynamic will typically require dense sampling across the domain of nonlinearity requiring *apriori* knowledge of the nonlinearities.
- Often such data will NOT be available, forcing a sparse representation and the use of techniques such as:
 - Compressed sensing
 - Bandwidth extension
 - and/or incremental learning from failures

Automation → Control → Autonomy

Computer Science construct

Neural Control



$$\mathcal{R}^{Env} \gg \mathcal{R}^{Plant}$$

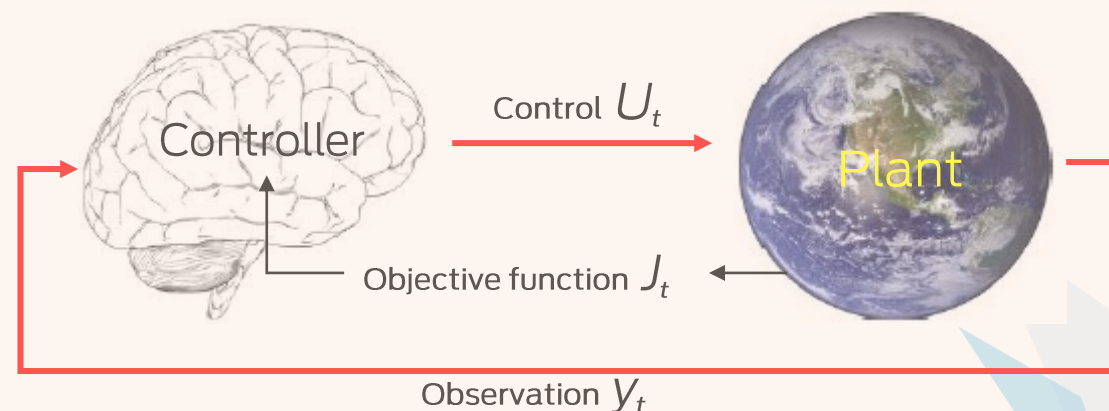
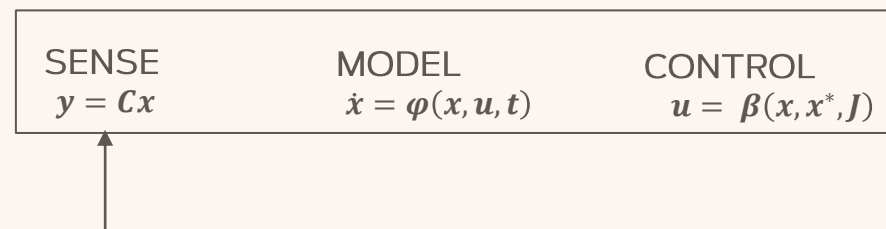
$$G^{MC} \gg G^{NC}$$

Formal methods exist for MC, similar methods are being explored (are needed) for NNC

Optimal Control Construct

Modern Control

ADAPT/OPTIMIZE

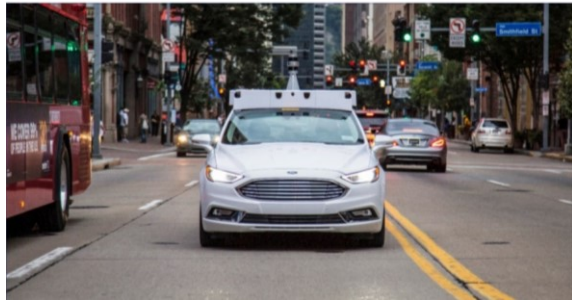


Autonomy, Mobility, Robotics

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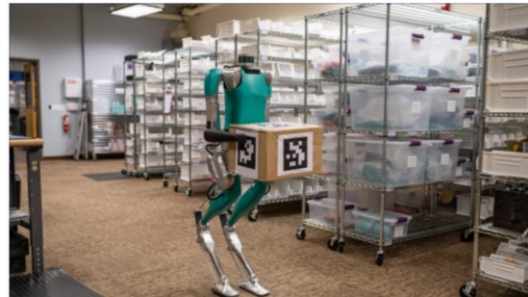
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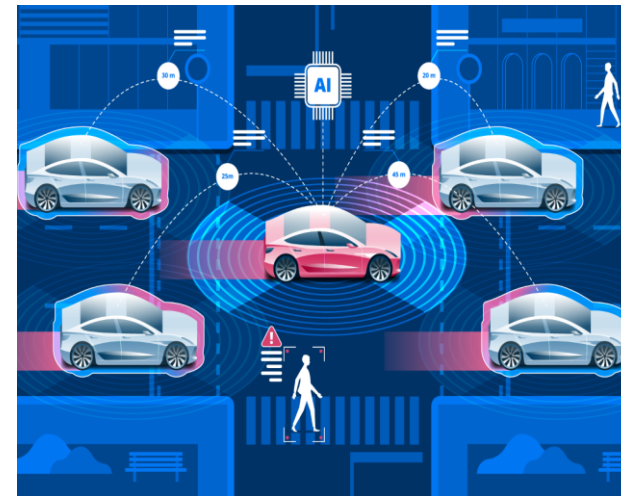
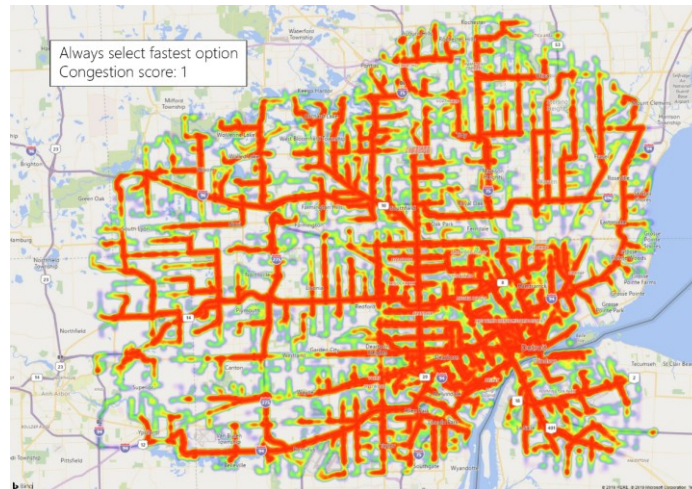
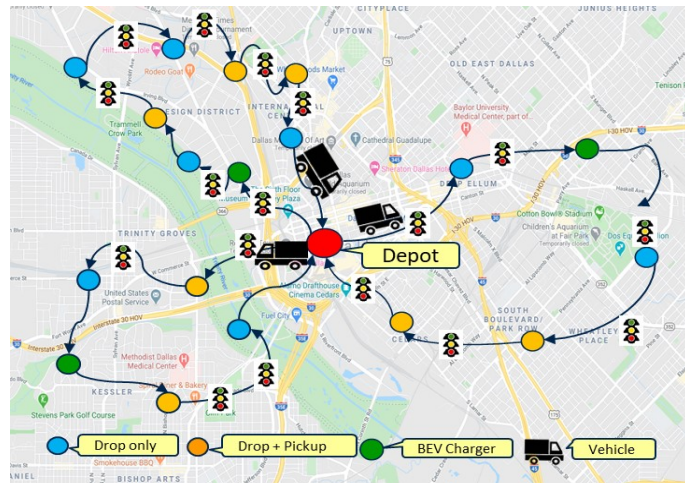
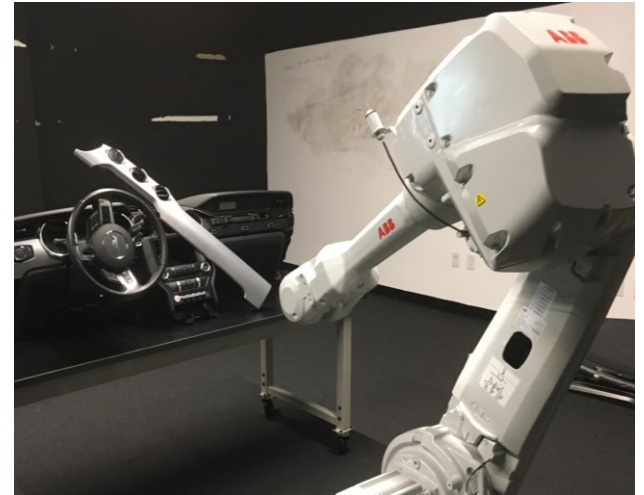
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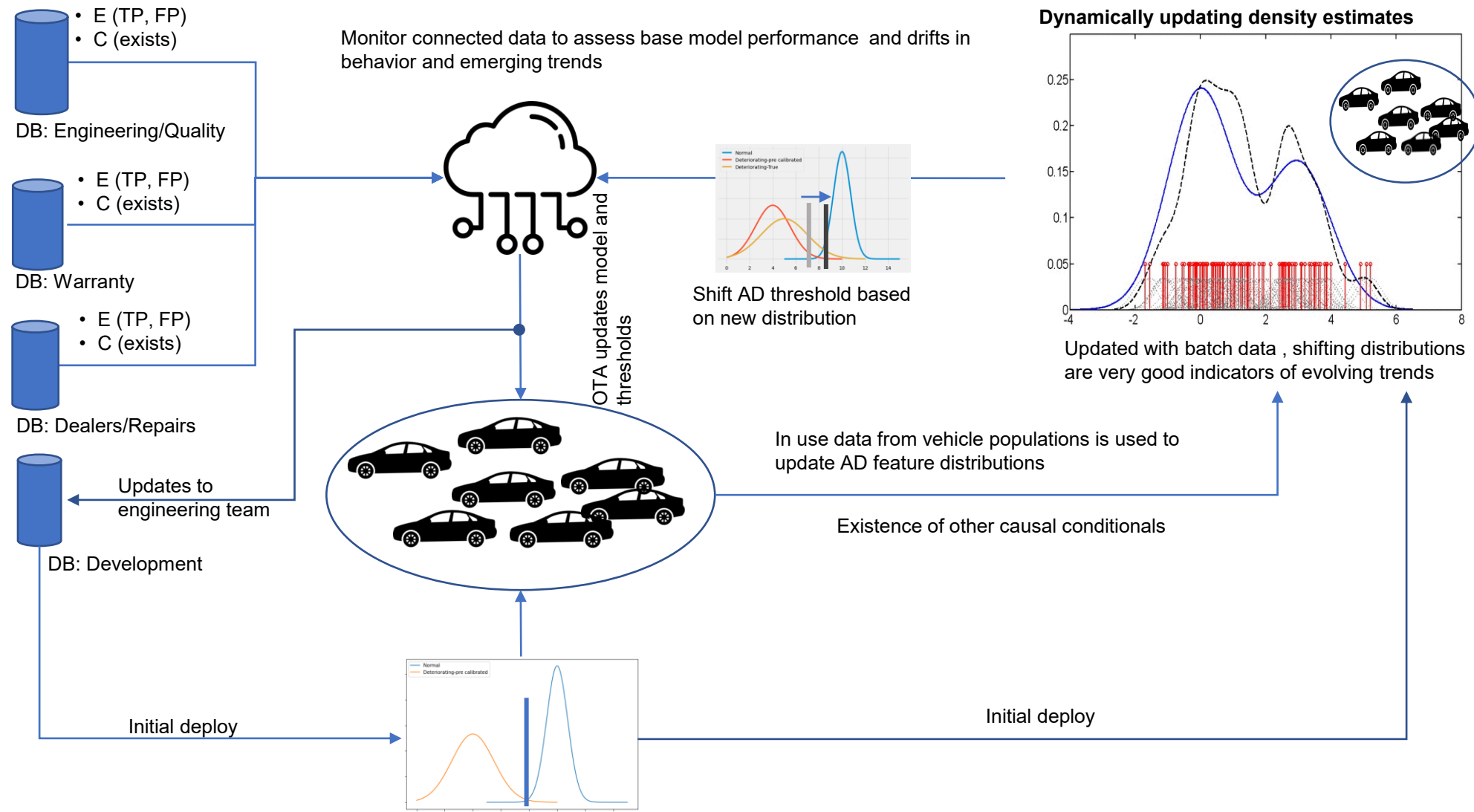
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Monitoring: shifting to a distributed paradigm



$$C = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{cause}$$

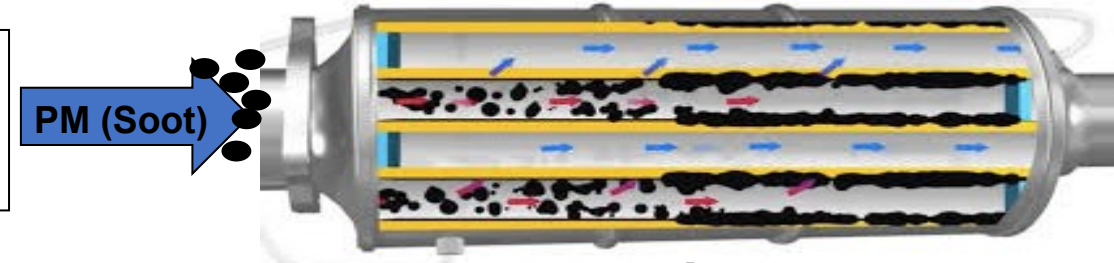
$$E \rightarrow \text{effect}$$

Case studies ... some examples

- ❑ Powertrain– Emissions Control
- ❑ Collision -- Vision systems and challenges
- ❑ Manufacturing – process control , Robotics
- ❑ Material Science – using images
- ❑ Charactering Sprays with Images
- ❑ Models (PINNS and Surrogates)
- ❑ Monitoring (OBD, vs AD&RUL)

Diesel Particulate filter – process and constraints

- Diesel vehicles must trap soot in a filter → DPF.
- Filters have finite trapping capacity and must be periodically cleaned or “regenerated”.
- Active regeneration involves a targeted burning of the trapped soot by intrusively elevating and maintaining the exhaust gas temperature in the range of 600°C - 700°C.



Formulate as an optimization problem, SAE-2019-01-0316

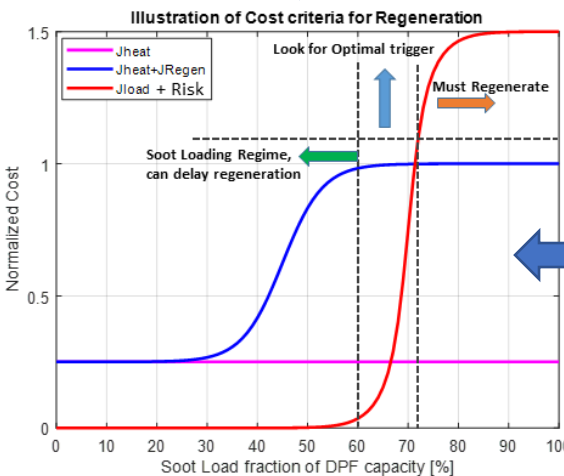
$$J = \delta \times (J_{Heat} + J_{Burn}) + (1 - \delta) \times \mathcal{R} \times \frac{(m_{soot} - m_{soot}^*)}{m_{soot_max}} + (1 - \delta) \times J_{Load} \times \frac{(m_{soot} - m_{soot}^*)}{m_{soot_max}}$$

Where:

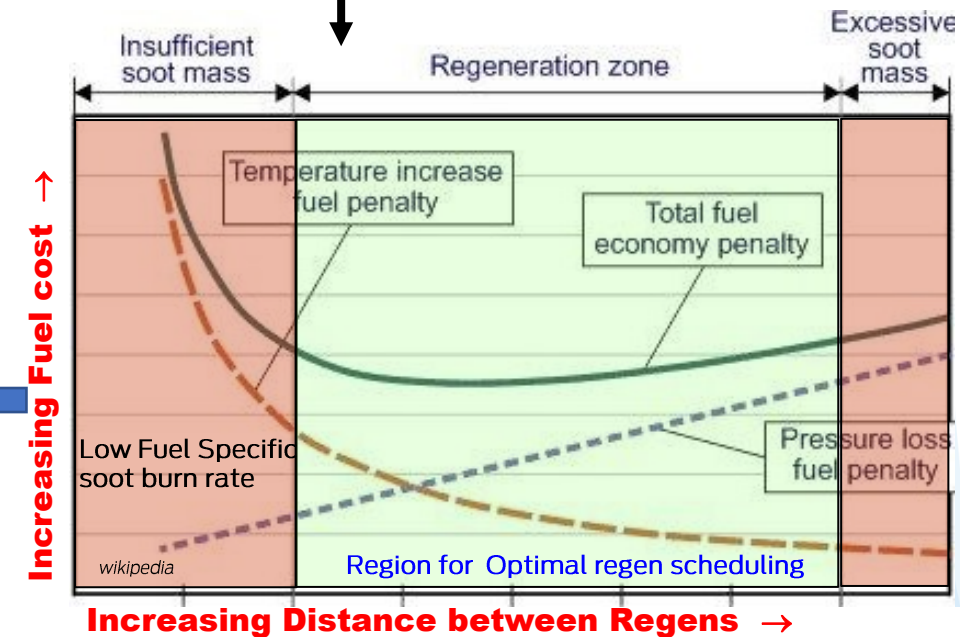
$$\begin{cases} \delta = 1, & \text{for } m_{soot} \geq m_{soot}^* \\ \delta = 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\mathcal{R}(m_{soot}, m_{soot}^*)$ is the risk of not regenerating in current drive. $m_{soot}^* = f(\mathcal{D})$ is the optimal soot load as a function of the drive \mathcal{D}

Soot Management and Penalties

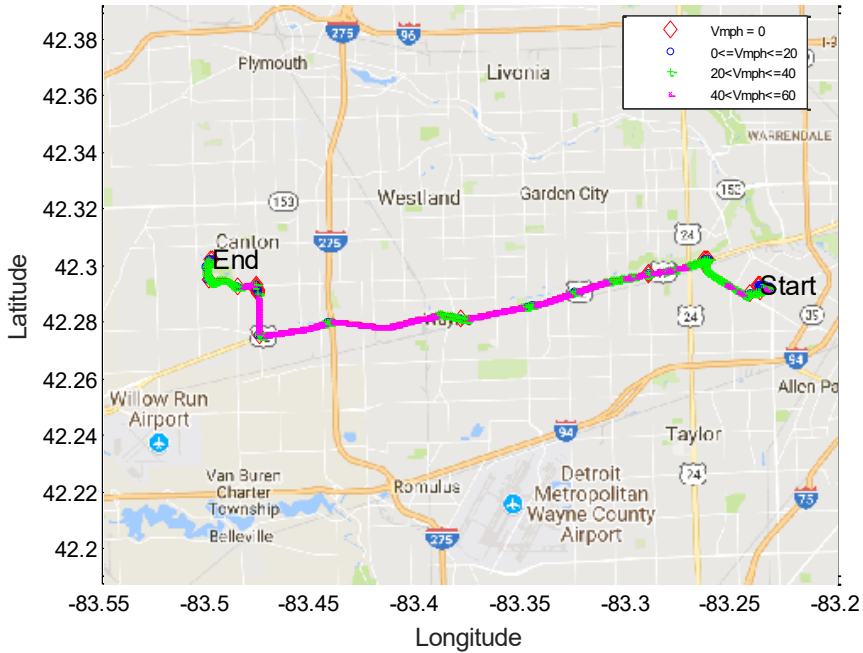


- Regen Fuel Penalty (RFP) → $f(\text{Regen Freq, Rgen duration})$.
- Regenerations also incur NO_x penalty.
- Traffic conditions and drive quality impact Regen Quality (RQ).
- Operating conditions during an active regen may become non-optimal resulting in aborts.
 - Frequent aborts increase regeneration frequency.
 - Frequent regeneration is not optimal



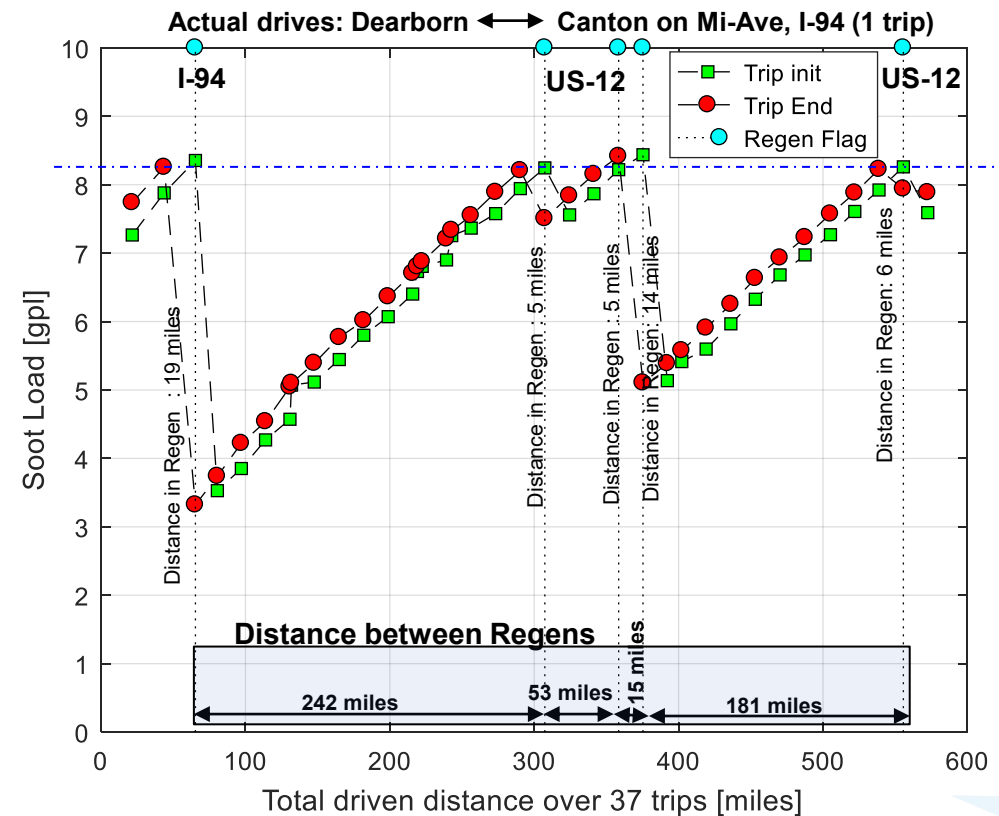
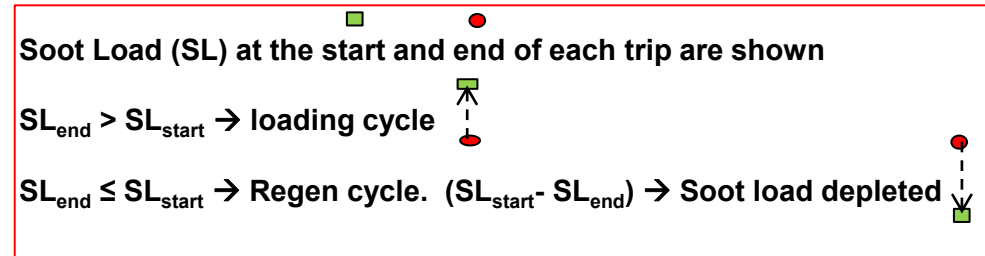
Naïve approach leads to short cycle regens

Drive: RIC -- Canton: Mi-Ave

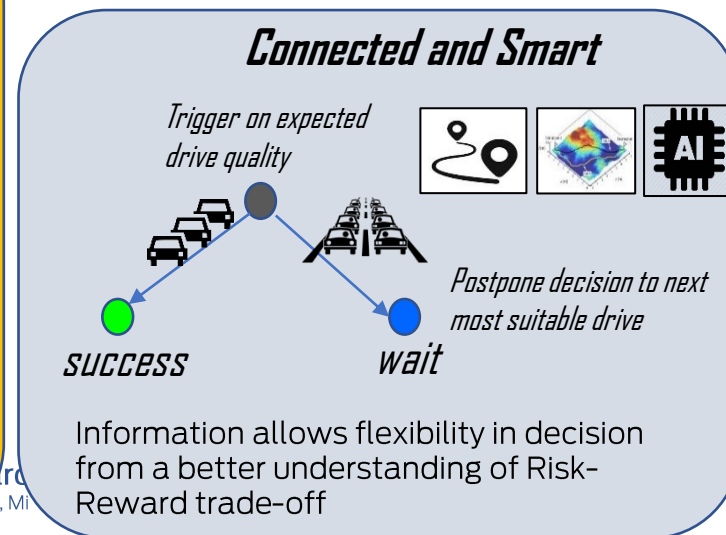
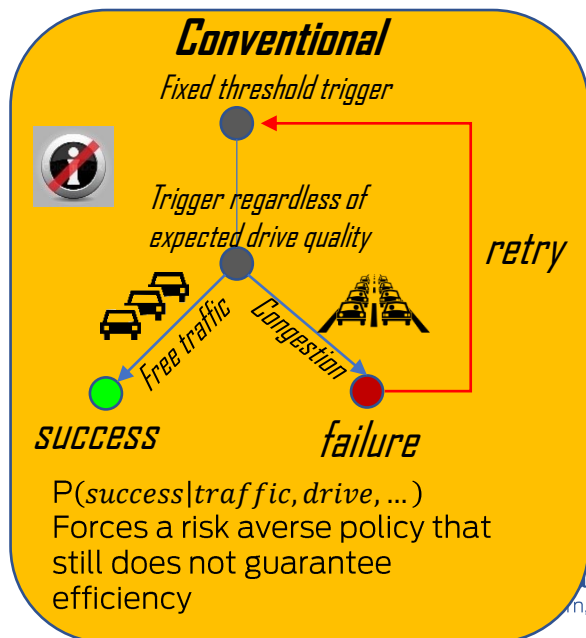
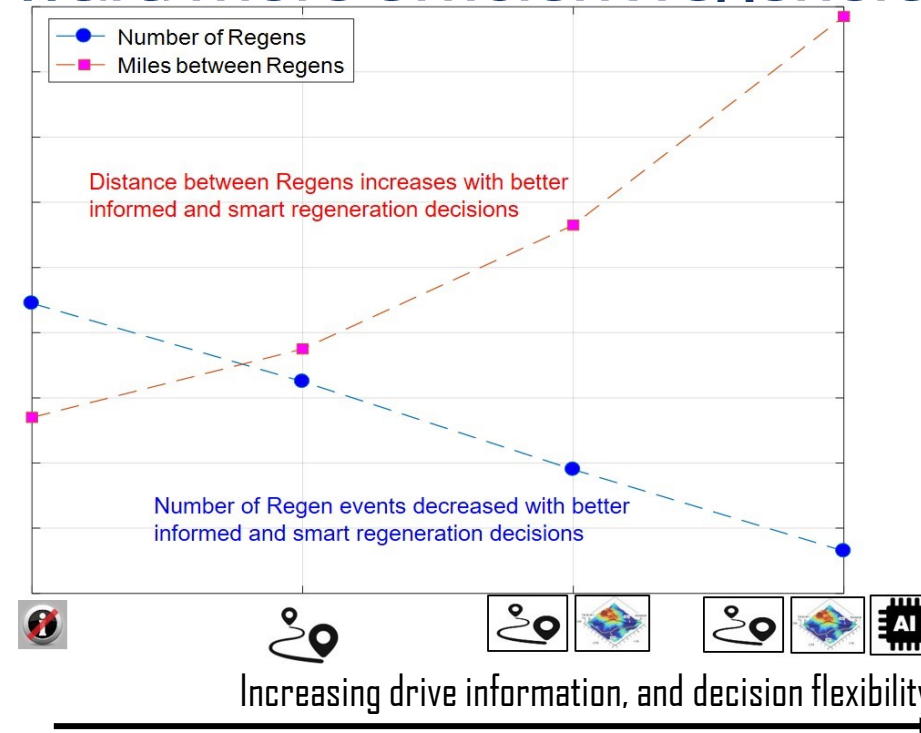
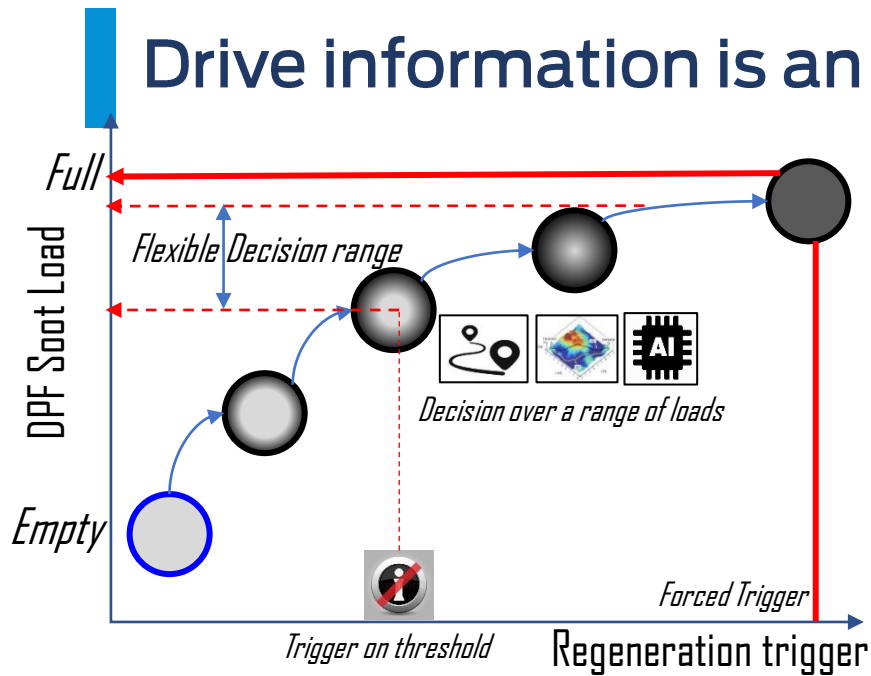


Fixed SL- Threshold based regen decisions can lead to short cycle regenerations resulting in increased regeneration frequency.

The probability of getting a deep regen ($\geq 70\%$) is a strong function of the route and the likelihood of maintaining optimal regen conditions over the driven route.



Drive information is an enabler toward more efficient regenerations



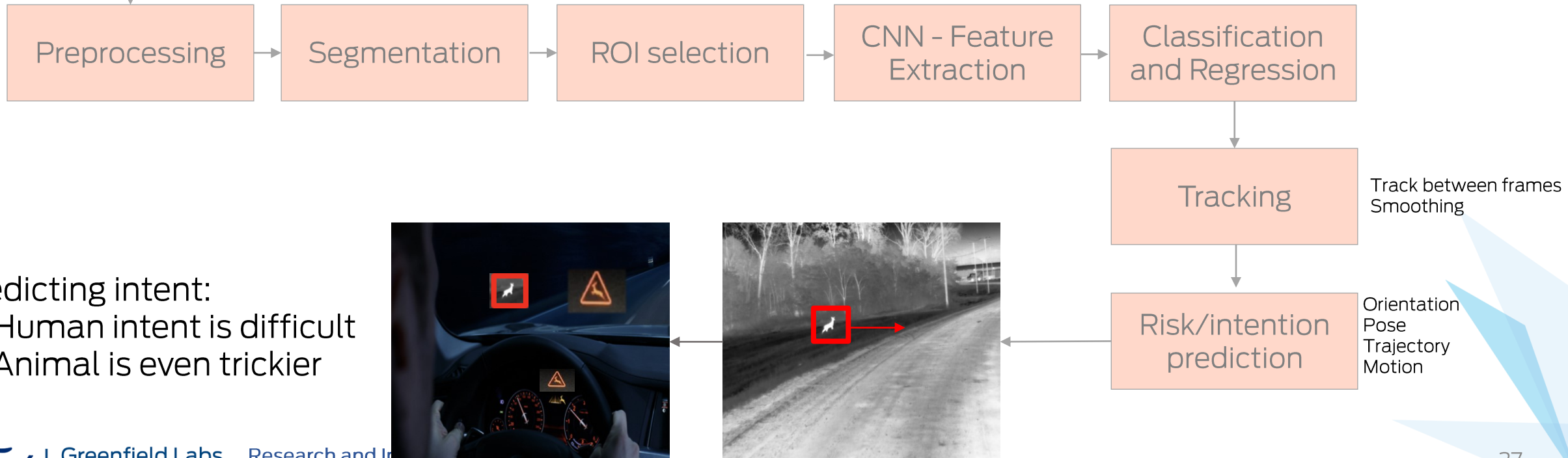
- No information forces threshold based (blind) decisions
- Destination is known
- Route with traffic known
- Smart decisions (Gaming, Reinforcement)

Vision based Collision avoidance with large animals.



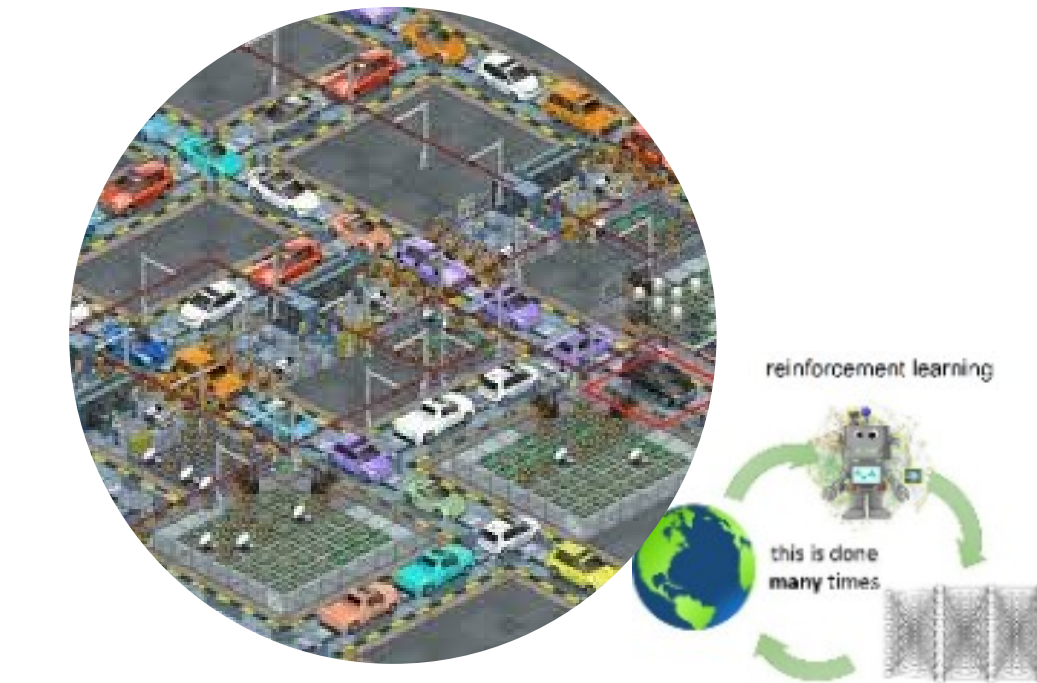
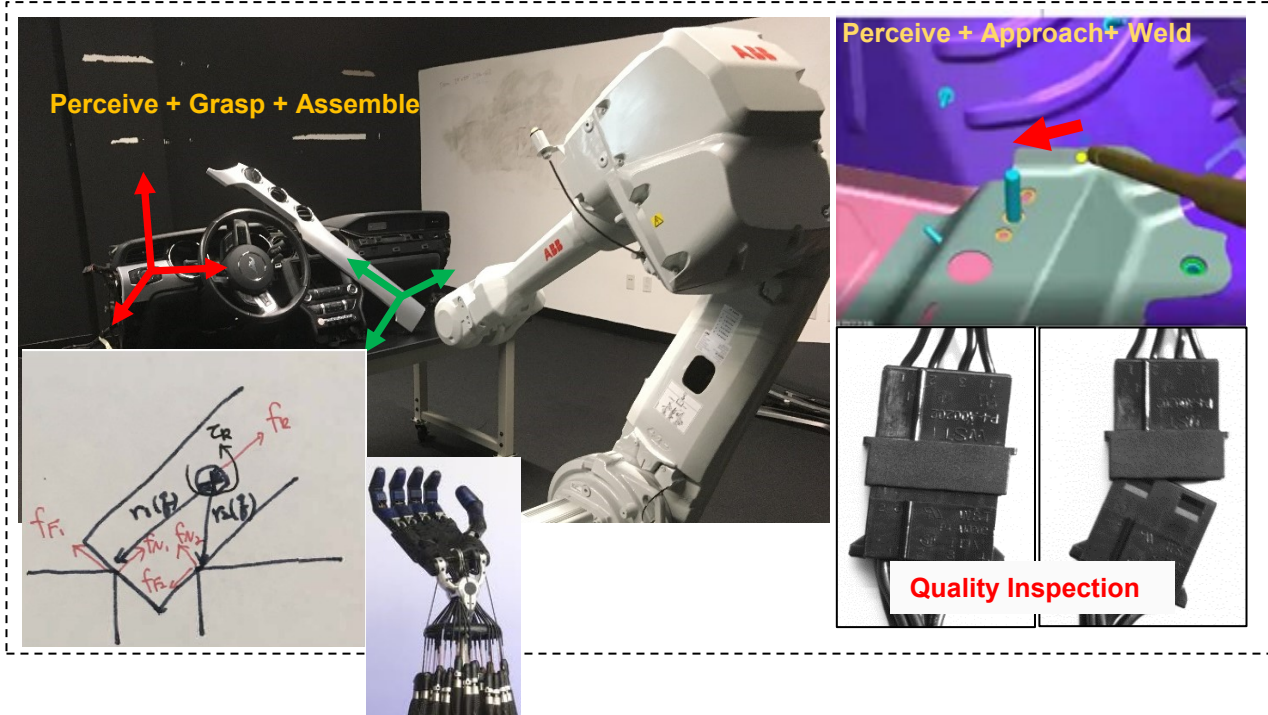
Collisions with large animals such as deer and moose, etc. lead to about 200 human deaths and \$1.1 billion in property damage every year.

Backbone	mAP @ IoU=0.50	Train time (s/iter)	Test time (s/iter)	Memory footprint (GB)	# parameters	Model size
ResNet50-FPN	0.99	0.1897	0.0467 (25FPS)	5.2	25 million	98 Mb
Mobilenet v2	0.79	0.1419	0.0269 (50FPS)	3.5	3.5 million	14 Mb

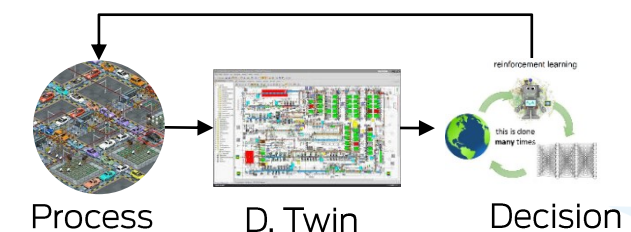


Manufacturing – Process control , Robotics, Error-proofing

Assembly, Precision tasks, Inspection

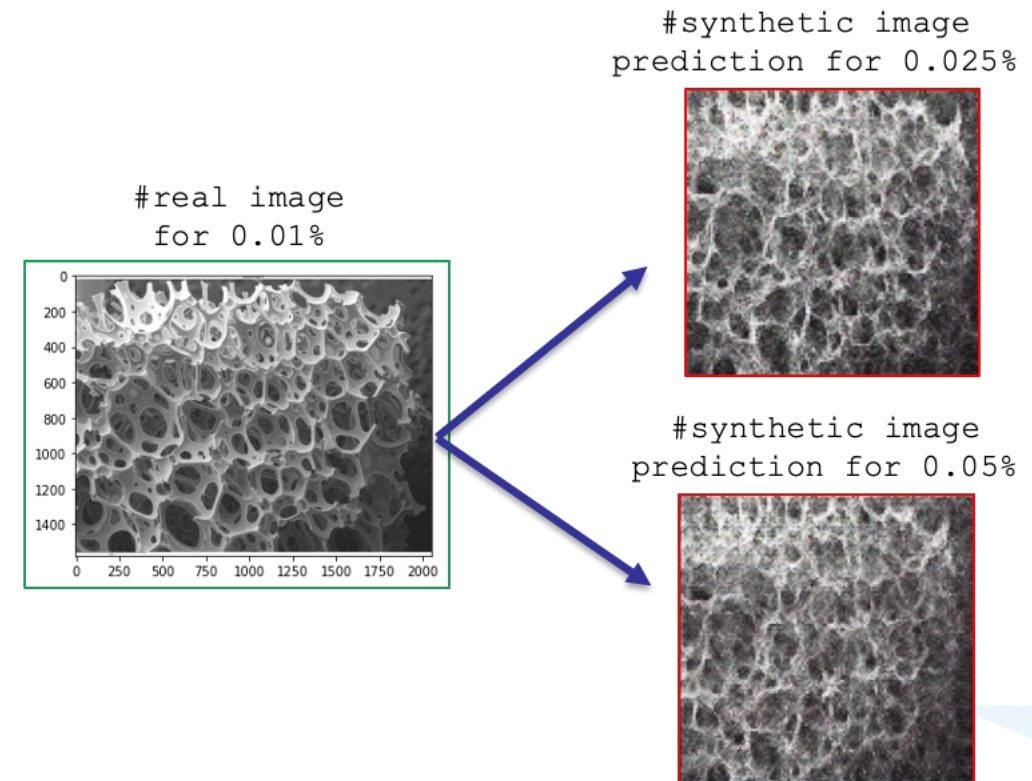
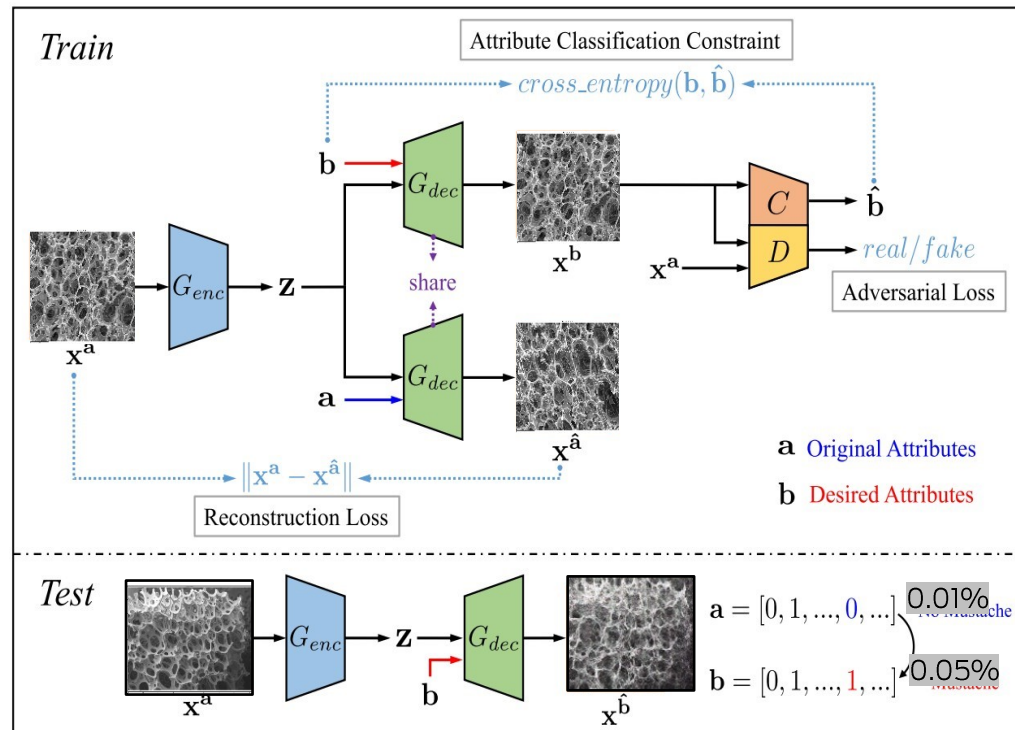


Assembly line process .. Pallett routing

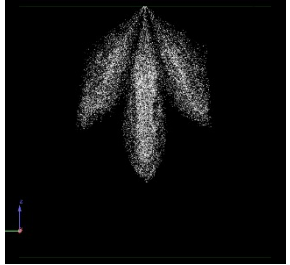
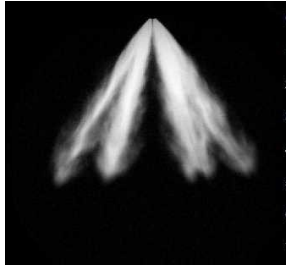


Material Science – using images

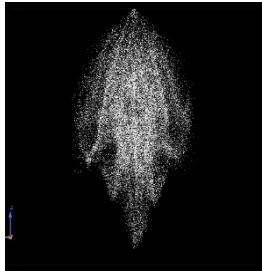
- An image editing generative adversarial network, AttGAN, was implemented to generate realistic synthetic SEM images showing subtle effect of the varied synthesis parameter of graphene additive %
- AttGAN avoids the large data requirement in GAN based design.
- Domain scientists can visualize and understand how changes in material attributes, synthesis/ processing conditions impact the sample microstructure features which in turn determine its properties and thus can further be optimized
- Needs fast imaging, SEM/FIB images, 2D vs 3D , defining structure level information is tricky
- Need to include physics based constraints



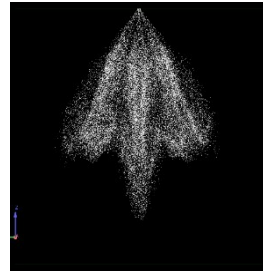
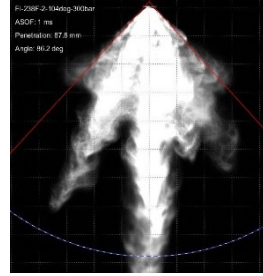
Charactering Sprays with Images



Class A: No collapse



Class B: Spray collapse, and transition



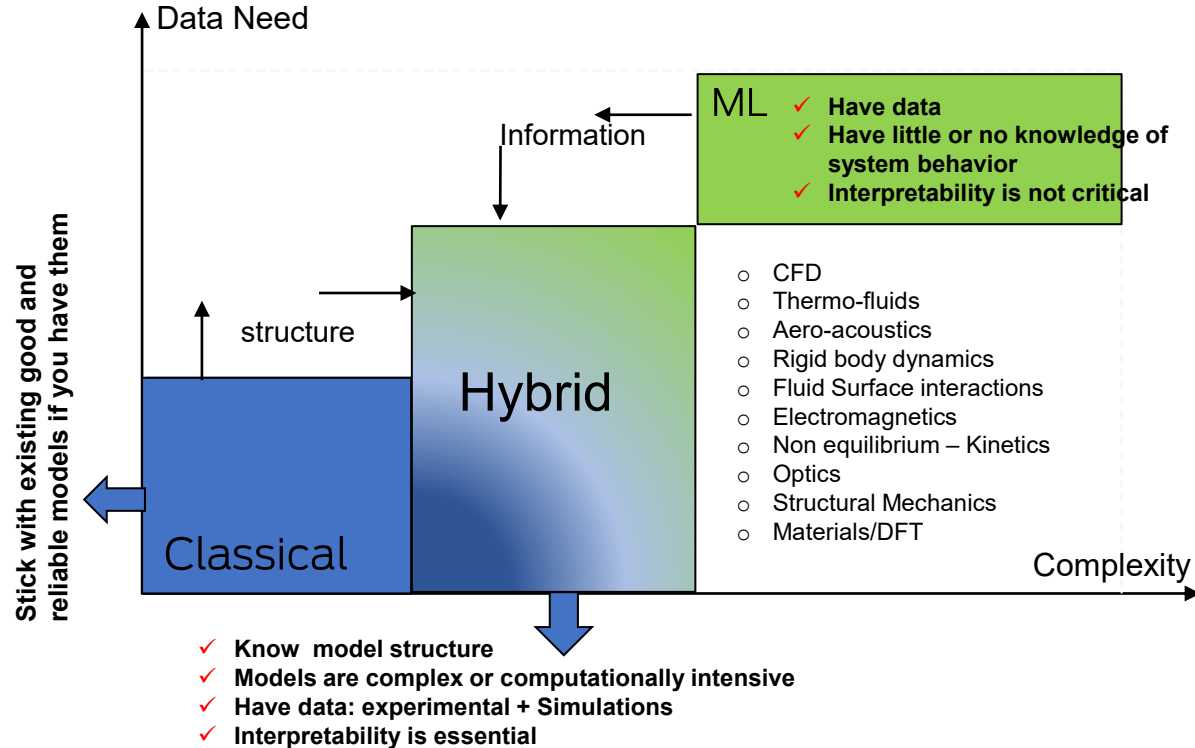
Objective: Injector nozzle design and
Normally → visual + CFD sims

- Visual process too slow to keep up with fast imaging
- Prone to bias → based on SME experience

New → use CNN's

- Major speed up in analysis
- Consistent and highly accurate and quantifiable results
- Transfer to other sprays/injectors
- Can further map to in-cylinder combustion performance measures and integrate into inverse design

Models (PINNs and Surrogates)

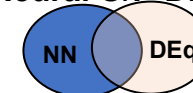


Use fundamental properties:

- Universal approximation property of NNets → given enough layers a NN model can approximate any nonlinear function to within ϵ → good when nonlinearities are not known *a priori*.
 - $y_{ML}(x) = \sigma_3(W_3 * \sigma_2(W_2 * \sigma_1(W_1 x)))$ → eg. a 3 layer network, NN's are function approximations: $\mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^m$
- Differential equations are compact ways of specifying arbitrary nonlinear transforms by mathematically encoding prior structural assumptions → good when nonlinearities are known *a priori* → $\dot{x} = \varphi(x, u, t)$
- ❖ Both are differentiable.

Include domain knowledge in ML : Scientific ML

Neural O/P-DE's



1. NN architectures with activations as DiffEqs
2. NN architectures with some layers as ODE's
3. ODE's are defined with NN embeddings
4. Cost functions on ODE's can be NNets

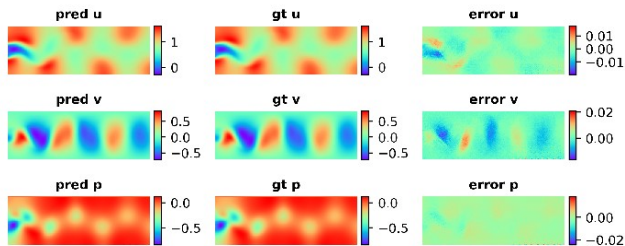
Navier-Stokes is HARD.... solutions are attempted by quasi-linearizing the convection term as:
 $(u \cdot \nabla)u \approx \psi(u, p, t)\nabla u$
 Instead approximate “ ψ ” by NNet ...

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}}_{\text{Variation}} + \underbrace{(u \cdot \nabla)u}_{\text{Convection}} = \underbrace{\nu \nabla^2 u}_{\text{Diffusion}} = \underbrace{-\nabla w}_{\text{Internal source}} + \underbrace{g}_{\text{External source}}$$

Inertia (per volume) Divergence of stress

- Do not know RHS
 $\dot{x} = \varphi(x, u, t)? = f_{ML}(x, u, t, \theta)$
- Know some structure, can decouple
 $\dot{x}_1 = f_{ML}(x_1) \dots \text{unknown} \dots \text{ML solution}$
 $\dot{x}_2 = \varphi_2(x_1, x_2) \dots \text{known}$
- Impute missing term
 $\dot{x} = \varphi(x) + f_{ML}(x)$
- Stochastic Diff Eqs
 $dx = \mu(x, \theta, t)dt + \sigma(x, \theta, t)dW_t$
- SDE's with jump discontinuity
 Filippov: $\dot{x} = \text{sign}(t)$
- Partial Diff Eq classes

Koopman dynamics to learn time evolution

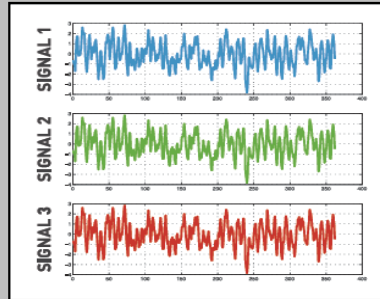


Anomaly Detection: Use ML for multivariate problems

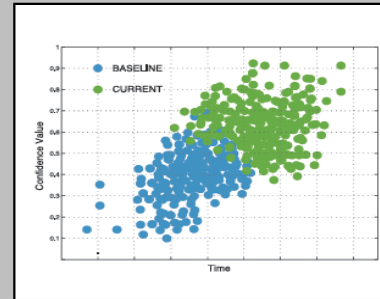
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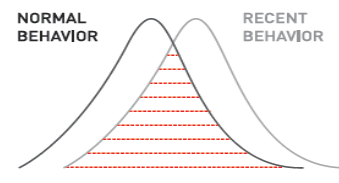
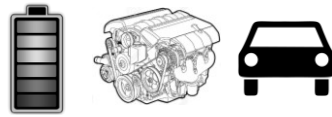
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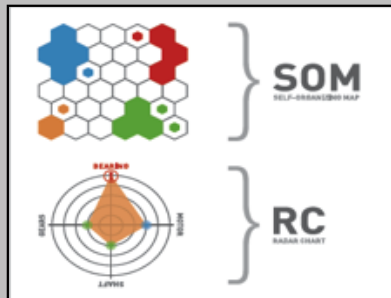
FEATURE EXTRACTION



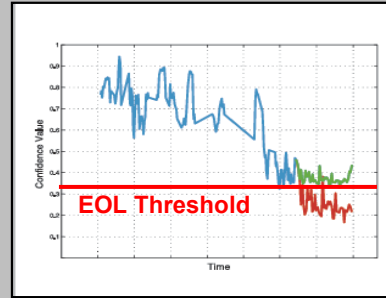
Control Strategy & Decision-Making



VISUALIZATION

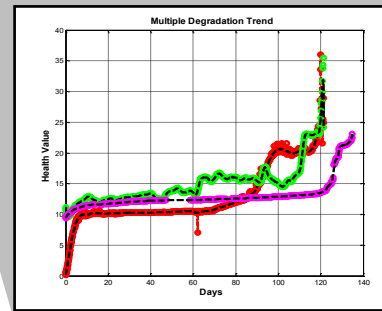


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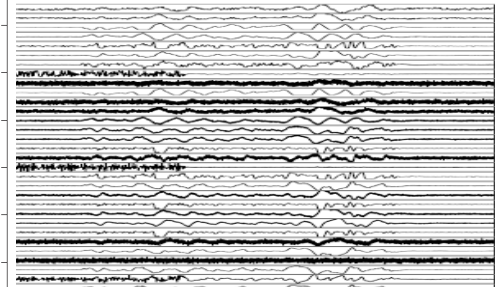
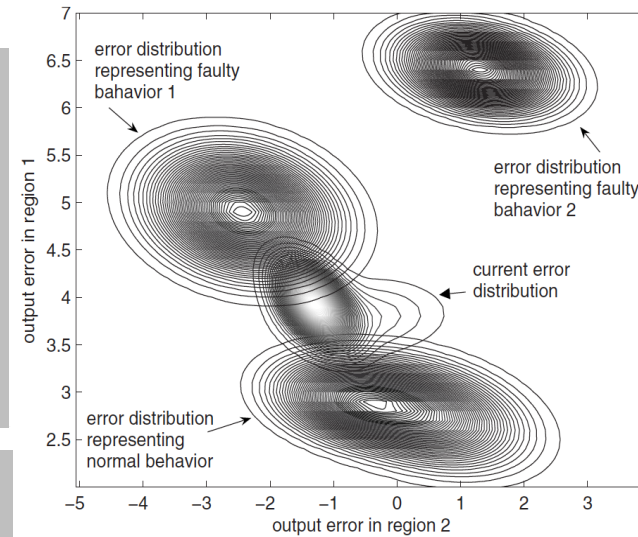


Degradation

HEALTH ASSESSMENT

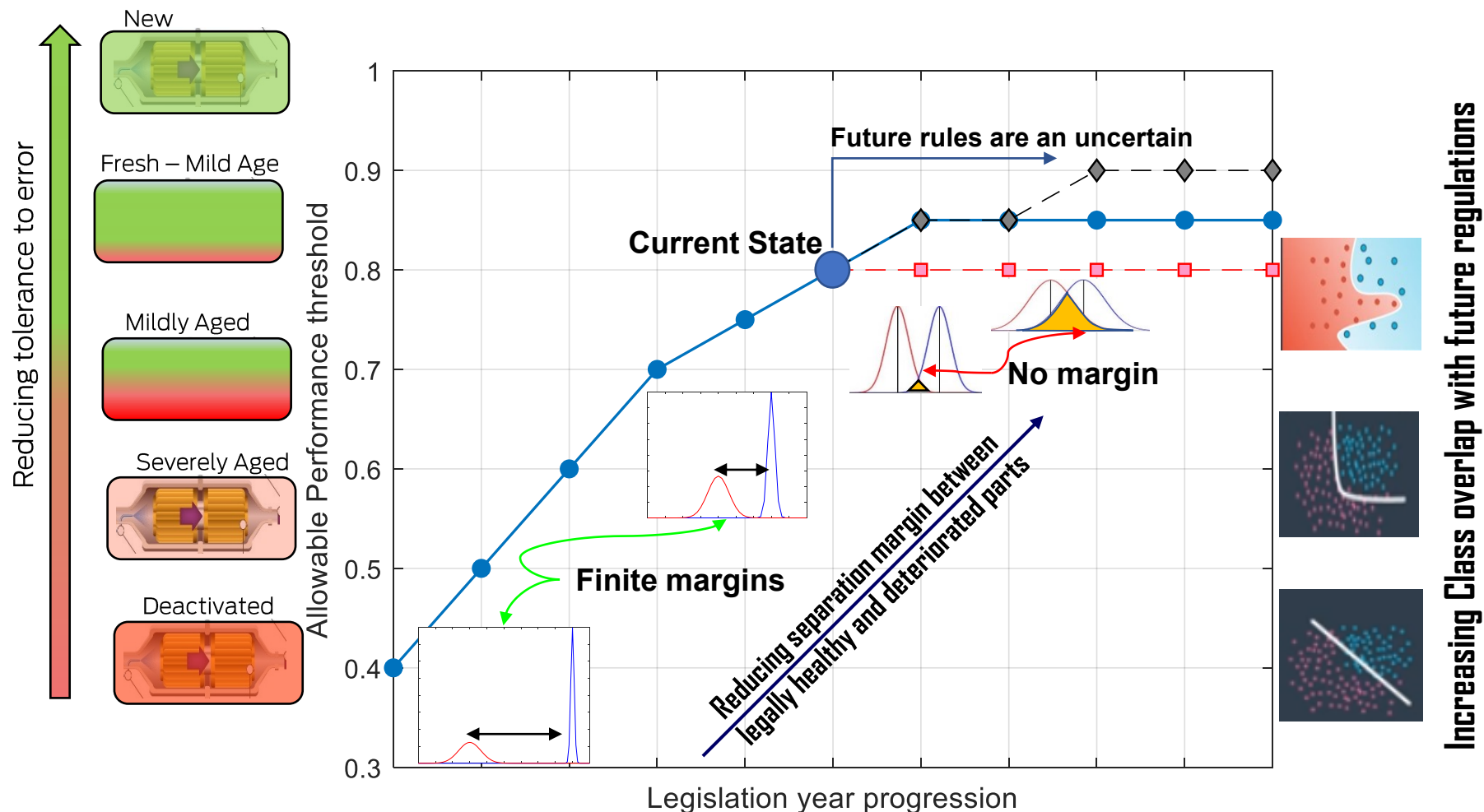


FDI, AD, RUL



- Parts tested at production may not provide adequate indications of impending in-use failure
- Defective parts in an assembly may go un-noticed
- Can we isolate these “problem child's” at birth ?
- Parts will degrade differently from usage variations. Several populations with varying degradation patterns will evolve.
- Faulty data is sparse.
- What is the scope of domain transfer between problems?
- Do contrastive learning approaches work beyond simple examples.

On-Board Diagnostics (OBD) with future rule making



Isolating failed parts is easy (most of ML based AD today), isolating functional parts with marginal deterioration and multiple dependencies ... not so easy

Outlook, Opportunities and Challenges

Data

- How much data and how to get it optimally
- The data trap: “too much data with very little information”

Robustness

- Data drift/bias/coverage
- Models drift/bias
- Safety– in RL (exploration), neural controllers, controllers with perception

Causality

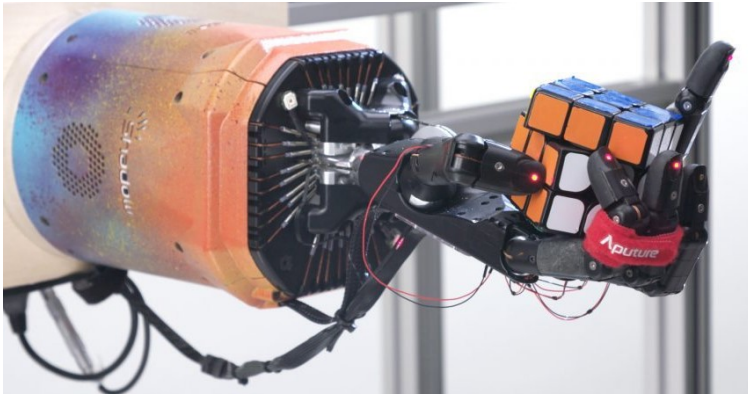
- Generalization /Explainability
- UQ (of Data and Model)
- Embedding physics → PINNs, Hybrid methods

Cautions

- Regulations , Safety and Guidance
- Deployment, CI-CD is now CI-CD-CM
- Fact Vs Fiction
- The “AI-Hammer” effect

Data: How much ? Costs? Manage, Label, Drift

OpenAI disbands its robotics research team
VB July 2021



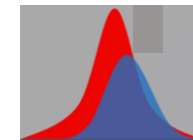
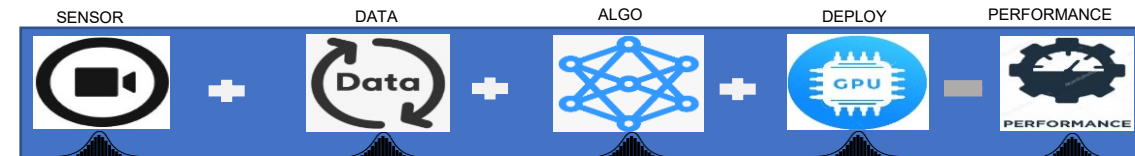
OpenAI has disbanded its robotics team after years of research into machines that can learn to perform tasks like [solving a Rubik's Cube](#). Company cofounder Wojciech Zaremba quietly revealed on a [podcast](#) hosted by startup Weights & Biases that OpenAI has shifted its focus to other domains, where data is more readily available.

"So it turns out that we can make a gigantic progress whenever we have access to data".

Slightly misleading its not just data but LARGE DATA

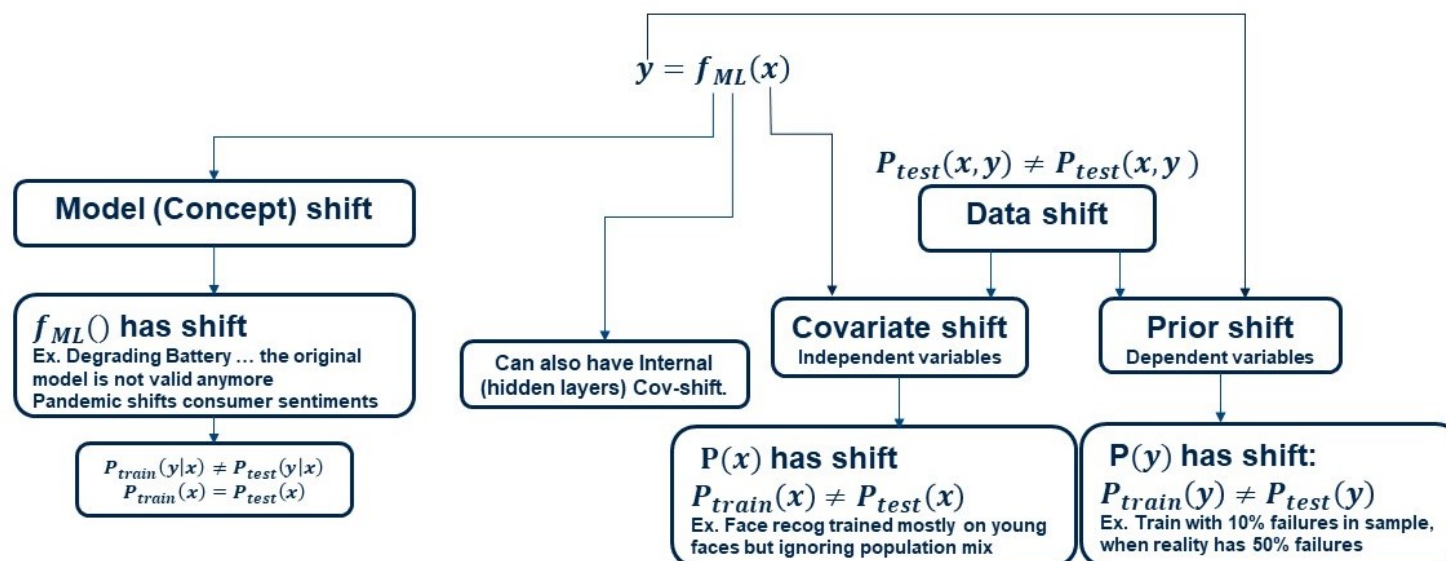
- Is data a good substitute for Physics ? Ignoring physics implies data must re-learn the system → Increased data burden and all associated risks/errors.
- Extracting full domain representation from data alone requires a data set with very dense representation → which usually translates to aggregation of a lot of data with sparse representations
- Data needing labeling (indirect sensing) are prone to noisy labels and impact learning !
- Purely data driven models need to learn continuously (hence need new data) until full coverage of domain, but by then system/domain may have drifted !
 - Tesla trains FSD with 1.5PB → building their own cluster 5760 A100 GPUs
- **Need an "intelligent" Data and Learning policy.**

Robustness (of ML models)

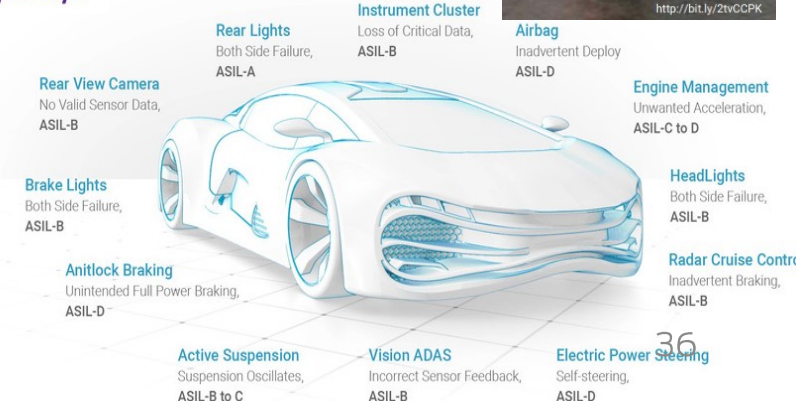


- Industrial and Engineering systems need guarantees and must be explainable!
 - Design, Safety, Performance, ...
- ML methods, in general, lack formal approaches to understanding robustness, reliability, stability etc, but this may be changing !
- ML models rely on data, both data and models will have biases and can also drift → requires robustness checks at build as well as constant monitoring post deployment. → *Past performance is no guarantee of future results !!*
- Corner cases (more frequent than edge) vs Edge cases (did not think of these but $\Pr() > 0$ = unknown unknowns).
 - One may inadvertently transition into regions where $\Pr(\text{Edge})$ increases!
- ASIL-B → < 1 Failure in 10^7 hours of driving. At ~ 60mph that is 6×10^8 miles of driving = 0.6B miles of driving. At 150K Miles vehicle useful life this is equivalent to data from 4000 cars driven to full useful life !!
- Currently Robustness implies massive amounts of testing, Simulation + Real life → different impacts depending on data class.

Corner or edge ?

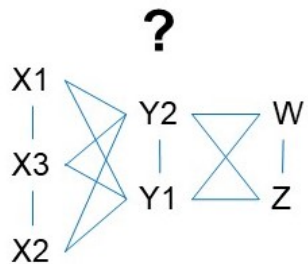


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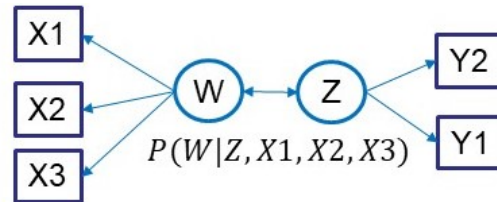
Causality

- Recently there has been growing interest in the CS-ML community to address causality (Yoshua Bengio, Hinton, LeCunn), Others, Pearl Marcus, etc have been asking for this.
- Understanding causality is critical in engineering/manufacturing systems
 - What is the root cause ? Formally (statistically) ... determine if a change in a given “treatment” leads to a change in some outcome → sensitivity analysis (engineering speak)
 - Humans can only manage short chain credit assignments, for multivariate influences ... need compute
 - Extracting causality from pixel space is more difficult
- Discover causal relations by analyzing statistical properties of purely observational data
 - Expert knowledge: collection of facts and heuristics about the system
 - Granger causality: causality in time series data
 - Structural Equation Modeling (SEM): what factors determined the variable value
 - Causal Bayesian Network (CBN): what the probability of the variable changes when changing factors
 - Causal calculus ('Pearl')
- Causality in the action space – recovering from changes
 - Distributions (system representations) will change due to environmental pressures and/or direct intervention
 - Good causal models allow Causal induction from interventions .. Can we estimate the intervention

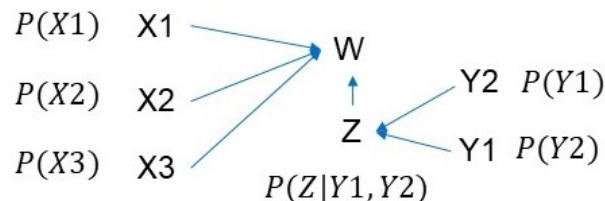


X, Y are directly measured
W and Z are indirect/unmeasured variable

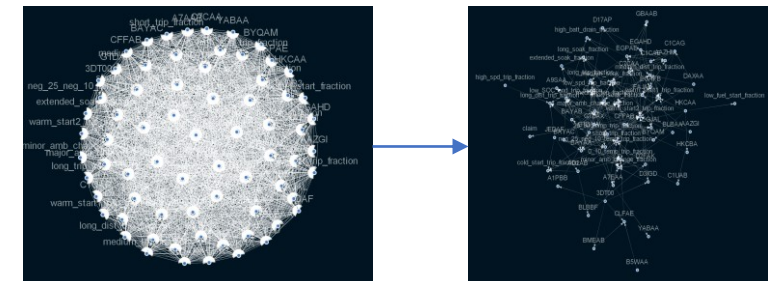
SEM
⇒



CBN
⇒



Extract the largest subgraph with target attribute



Remove weak connections

Classify

Cautions

- Regulations , Safety and Guidance
 - Most ML models will not satisfy current regulatory obligations, typically requiring > 99.99 accuracies.
 - Currently there is no mechanism to re-certify models that re-train on the fly.
 - Blame assignment remains an open question
 - Are simulators a good substitute, for real world testing ? This drives the need for “certifiably correct simulators”
 - Synthetic data and Photo real vs PBR (Light Structure interactions)
- Deployment, CI/CD is now CI/CD-CM
 - ML SW when deployed requires continuous monitoring (CM) given that models and data will drift as we discussed
- Fact and Fiction
 - Buyers beware ! This drives the need for in-house expertise.
 - There is an explosion of jargon that can be unnerving and quite tricky to navigate.
 - Beware of “Dashboards” , front ends can be dangerous.
- The “AI-Hammer” effect
 - Everything looks like a nail, and it sells (surprisingly)
 - OTS, pretrained networks are becoming commoditized, and there is a tendency to just train and re-train.
 - Strict quality control of ML models, in an industrial setting, is still evolving

Thank you for your time



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