

- **Purpose of Meeting:**
  - Introduce ML and AI Current Ideas & Collaborations
  - Provide examples of how ML and AI are being applied across other industries
  - Discuss current ML & AI research and capabilities at INL
  - Discuss planned activities, including engagement opportunities and collaboration opportunities
- **Presentations will include:**
  - Provide overview on Topic Area;
  - Describe the status of industry
  - Identify Issues (if any) and potential impact
  - High level discussion of planned activities and outcomes



- Agenda for Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence Symposium**

Time	Subject	Speaker
11:00	Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda	Curtis Smith
11:05	Overview of DOE Office of AI and Technology Priorities	Margaret Lentz
11:20	Artificial Intelligence: A NIST strategic priority	Elham Tabassi
11:35	Data Driven Decision Making (3DM)	Thiago Seuaciuc-Osorio
11:45	AI for Materials Science	Lars Kotthoff
11:55	AI for Nuclear Core Design	Koroush Shirvan
12:05	Domain-Enriched Deep Architectures and Applications	Min Xian
12:15	The Future with AI: Sci-Fi or Reality	Milos Manic
12:25	Application of Deep Learning on NPP Related Data	Alper Yilmaz
12:35	Explainable ML for Decision Support Systems	Kasun Amarasinghe
12:45	ML for Risk-Based Decision Making, Command and Control	Dan Cole
12:55	More Letters into the “AI” Acronym	Hany Abdelkhalik
1:05	Wrap Up / Next Steps	Curtis Smith



# Curtis Smith

**Organization/Role:** INL - Division Director for Nuclear Safety and Regulatory Research

**Education/Experience:** BS, MS, and PhD in Nuclear Engineering at ISU and MIT, 29.7 years at INL

**Current ML/AI work:** Leading the Risk-Informed Systems Analysis Pathway for LWRS

**Title:** My Motivation for AI/ML in Science, Math, and Engineering

**Overview:** A discussion on how AI/ML has advanced in the science, math, and engineering communities and how these advances may be used with INL applications such as computational risk assessment.

These topics provide an insight into the potential for advanced analysis and operations for complex systems.



# Welcome to the AI/ML Symposium 2.0

**Dr. Curtis Smith, Director  
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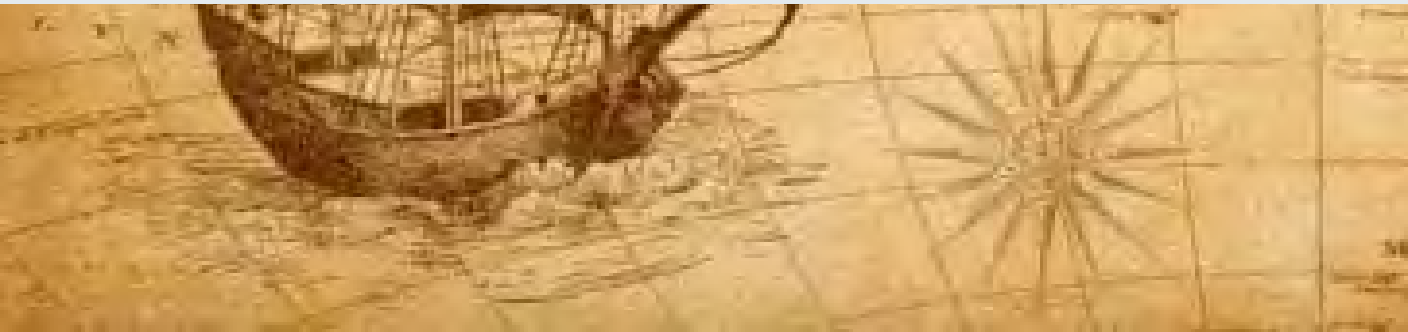




“And I told him, AI and ML aren’t the thing.

They’re the thing that gets us to the thing.”

(See *Halt and Catch Fire*)



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## Learning Internal Representations by Error Propagation

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DAVID E. RUMELHART, GEOFFREY E. HINTON, and RONALD J. WILLIAMS

### THE PROBLEM

We now have a rather good understanding of simple two-layer associative networks in which a set of input patterns arriving at an input layer are mapped directly to a set of output patterns at an output layer. Such networks have no *hidden* units. They involve only *input* and *output* units. In these cases there is no *internal representation*. The coding provided by the external world must suffice. These networks have proved useful in a wide variety of applications (cf. Chapters 2, 17, and 18). Perhaps the essential character of such networks is that they map similar input patterns to similar output patterns. This is what allows these networks to make reasonable generalizations and perform reasonably on patterns that have never before been presented. The similarity of patterns in a PDP system is determined by their overlap. The overlap in such networks is determined outside the learning system itself—by whatever produces the patterns.

The constraint that similar input patterns lead to similar outputs can lead to an inability of the system to learn certain mappings from input to output. Whenever the representation provided by the outside world is such that the similarity structure of the input and output patterns are very different, a network without internal representations (i.e., a network without hidden units) will be unable to perform the necessary mappings. A classic example of this case is the *exclusive-or* (XOR) problem illustrated in Table 1. Here we see that those patterns which overlap least are supposed to generate identical output values. This problem and many others like it cannot be performed by networks without hidden units with which to create

## Moving from 1.0 to 2.0

- **Last quarter, INL sponsored a symposium on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) approaches and activities related to science and engineering**
  - The “1.0 Symposium” focused on internal-to-INL activities and capabilities
  - Eleven speakers discussed a variety of current topics and future applications
  - Over 200 INL staff participated in the symposium
- **For Symposium 2.0 we wanted to have more of an industry vision/overview and platform for university applications and collaborations**
- **The field of AI/ML is evolving, I encourage all to continue our education in these areas, for example**
  - University of Idaho (Min Xian) Deep Learning; Digital Image Processing; Python for ML
  - University of Wyoming (Lars Kotthoff) Advanced Topics in AI
  - North Carolina State University (Xu Wu) Advanced Topics In Nuclear Engineering - Scientific Machine Learning
- **AI/ML will be a key technology moving forward as we continue our R&D**



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**Thank you and enjoy  
the symposium!**

# Margaret Lentz

**Organization/Role:** Special Advisor to the Artificial Intelligence & Technology Office (AITO) at DOE

**Education/Experience:** BS'98 Carnegie-Mellon; PhD'02 Purdue University; a scientist with a 20+ yr research history in chemistry, imaging physics, neuroscience, and AI/ML.

**Current ML/AI work:** Current ML/AI work: Working with DOE's Programs and national laboratories to coordinate and advance DOE's strategic goals and priorities in AI.

**Title:** Overview of DOE's Artificial Intelligence & Technology Office

**Overview:** A discussion of DOE's AITO's priorities, mission, vision and strategic goals.



Big Data, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence



# ***Machine Learning & Artificial Intelligence Symposium July 9, 2020***

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**Margaret R. Lentz, PhD**  
*Artificial Intelligence & Technology  
Office, Department of Energy  
Artificial Intelligence at DOE*



**AITO was created in support of the Executive Order on Artificial Intelligence and supports the broad goals of accelerating the development of AI capabilities for the Department and maintaining American leadership in AI.**



- Using AI for government services
- Removing barriers to AI innovation
- Training the next generation of American workers
- Achieving strategic national security advantage
- Accelerating AI research & development
- Engage international and private sector
- Foster public trust and confidence in AI

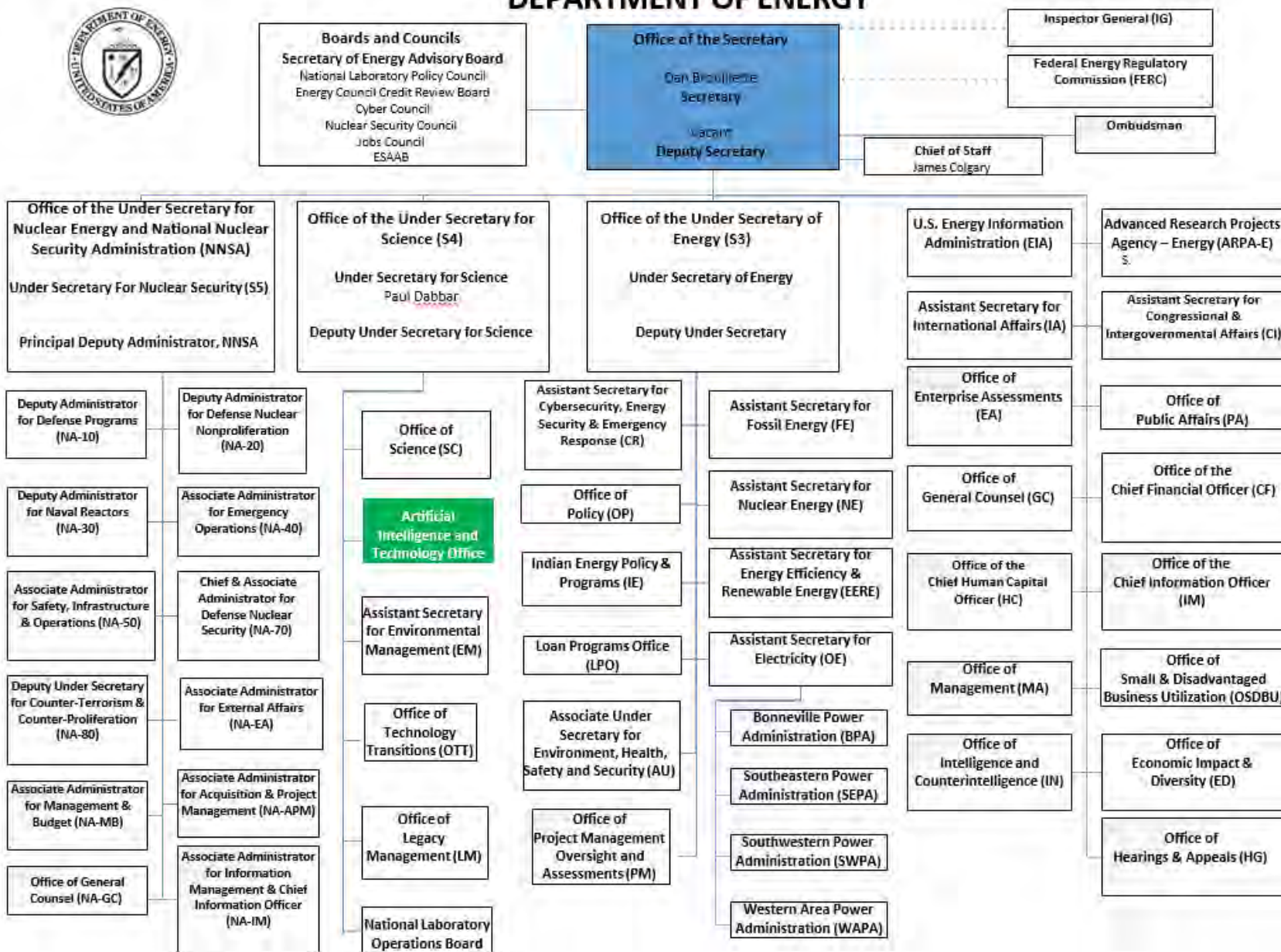




**Vision:** Transform the Department of Energy into the United States Government's lead agency in the civilian use of artificial intelligence (AI) by accelerating the research, development, delivery, and application of AI.

**Mission:** The Artificial Intelligence & Technology Office (AITO), the Department of Energy's center for artificial intelligence, will accelerate the delivery of AI-enabled capabilities, scale the Department-wide development of AI, synchronize AI applications to advance the agency's core missions, and expand public and private sector strategic partnerships, all in support of American AI leadership.

# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY



AITO (AI-1) reports to the Under Secretary for Science



# Why Does AI Matter for DOE?

## ***AI is a technology that performs tasks which mimic human intelligence***

This includes pattern recognition, decision making, visual perception, speech recognition, information processing, behavior adaptation, autonomous control, optimization, etc.

## ***AI is affecting many technologies used DOE wide***

Intelligent Sensors, Machine Learning, Data Sciences & Data Analytics, Robotics, Autonomous Systems, Data structure and management, Information and Business Management Systems, Edge Devices/Distributed Systems, Natural Language Processing, Human-machine Interface & Biometrics.

## ***AI has implications for high consequence areas with little room for failure***

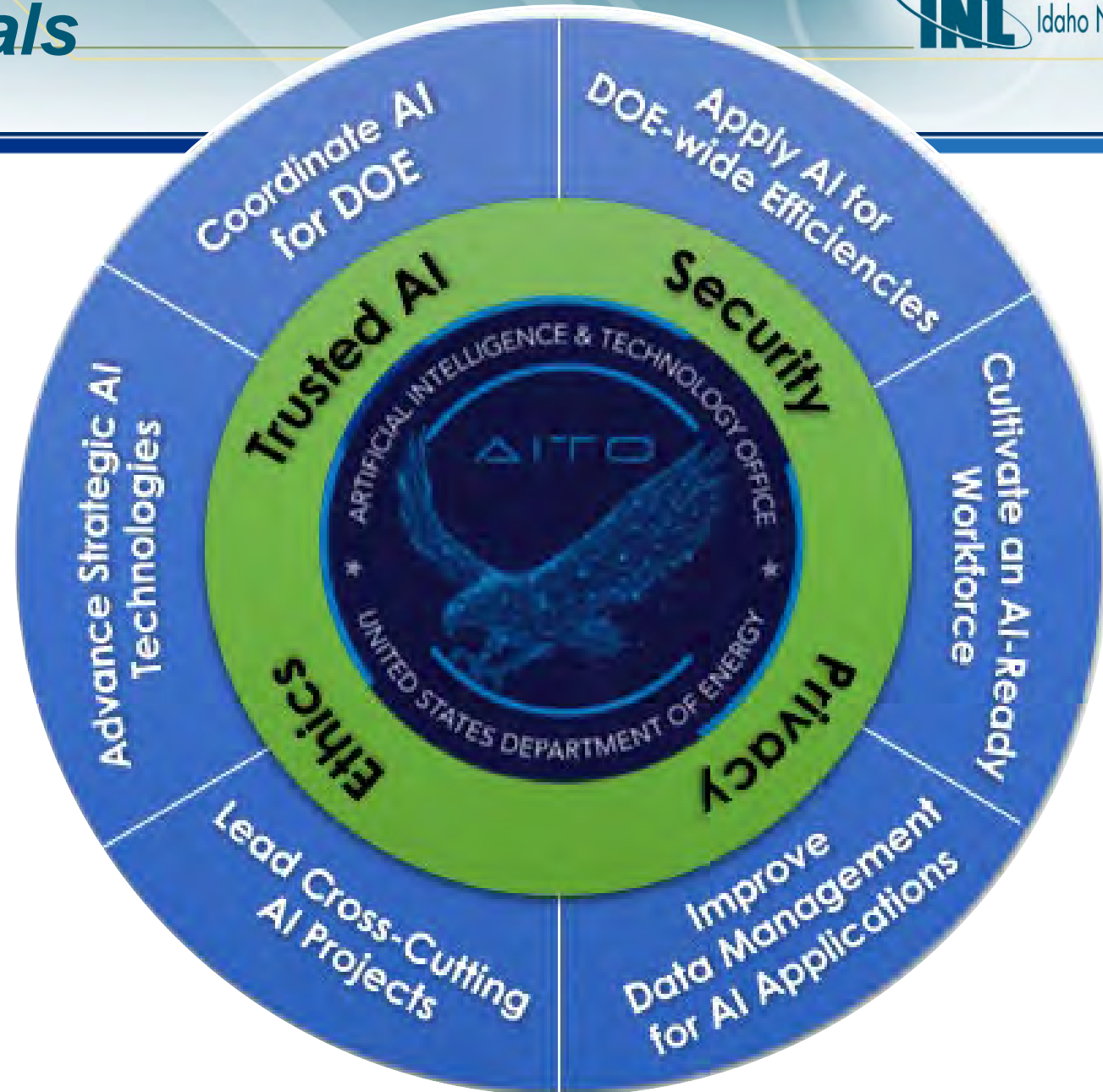
Workforce Development, Energy Security, Cybersecurity, Physical Security, National Security, Economic Security, Science & Highly Hazardous Operations.

**There is a need for trustworthy AI that is accurate with high confidence, proven to be unbiased & reliable.**

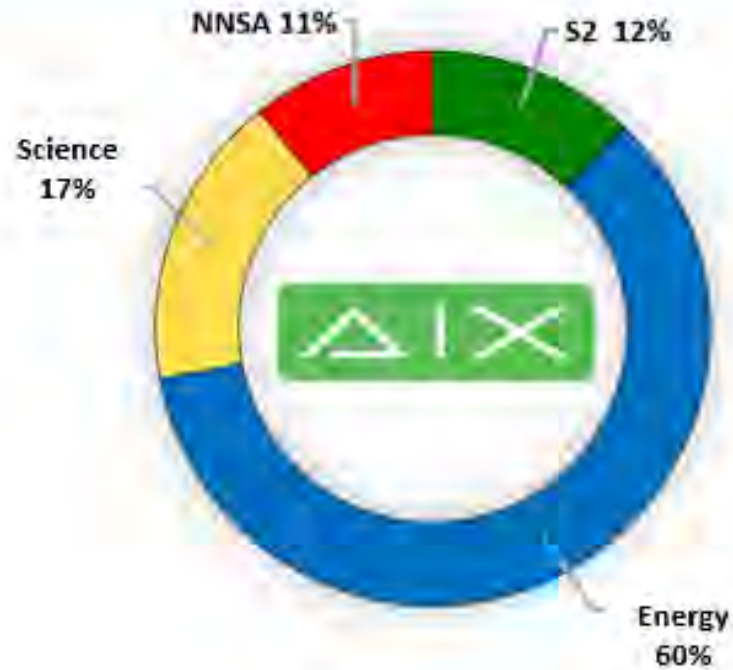


# AITO's Strategic Goals

To achieve AITO's vision and ensure the creation of trusted AI systems that address core values such as privacy and security, AITO is expected to:



# Artificial Intelligence Exchange (AIX)



**AIX Content  
by DOE Organization**

## **AITO created the AIX database to capture DOE AI investments**

- Allows AITO better coordination across DOE programs, enhances our ability to reduce duplicative efforts, and enables programs to leverage resources for cross-cutting efforts in AI.
- Enables AITO to assess strengths and weaknesses in DOE's AI investments, and identify opportunities in emerging AI technologies.
- Ensures the alignment of projects with the Administration's strategic priorities in AI



# AIX By White House Strategic Priorities

## Projects in AI Exchange Organized by OSTP/NSTC AI Strategy



**Out of 685 Projects Reported.**

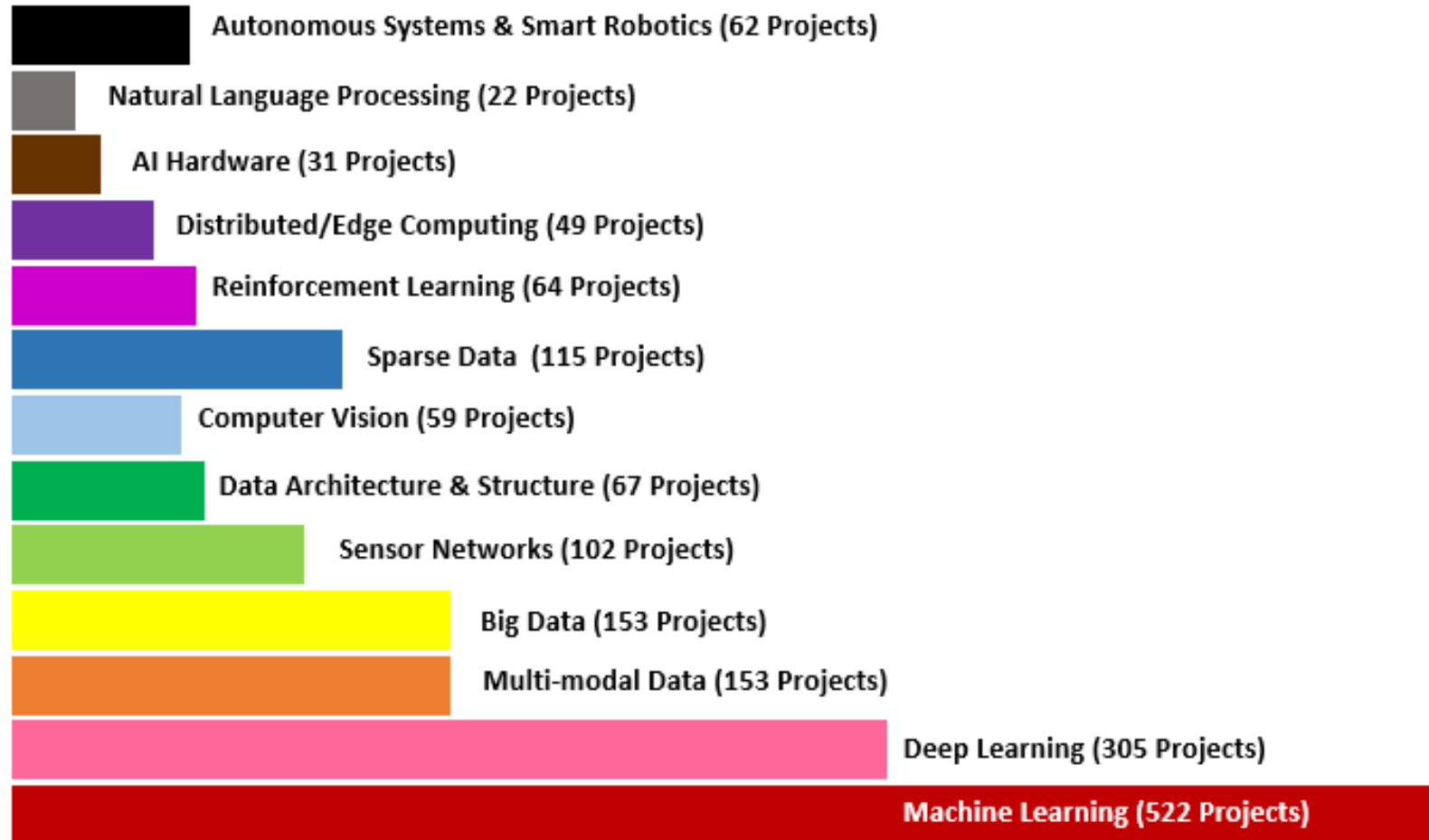
**Projects can be associated with more than one strategy.**

**Projects reporting is from a data call and are not representative of LDRD or SPP projects within the DOE National Labs.**





# AIX By Technology Type



**Out of 685 projects reported.**

**Projects can be associated with more than one technology type.**

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- **Working across DOE mission, business and operational functions to identify and surface priority areas for AI**
- **Creating the DOE AI Strategy**
- **Institutionalizing the AI Exchange**
- **Supporting White House and Congressional AI efforts, including:**  
National Strategic Commission on AI (NSCAI), OSTP task force on liberating data for AI, WH strategy on Principles for AI in Government.
- **Exploring AI Leadership Training and AI Workforce Opportunities**  
AITO is engaging federal leads across the department to identify needs and best approach for: hiring, management training, and engaging the future workforce.
- **Workshops & Summits**



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# *Elham Tabassi*

**Organization/Role:** NIST - Chief of Staff in the Information Technology Laboratory (ITL) at NIST

**Education/Experience:** Undergraduate degree from Sharif University of Technology, and a Master of Science from Santa Clara University / As a scientist she has been working on various computer vision research projects with applications in biometrics evaluation and standards since 1999

**Current ML/AI work:** Leads ITL's fundamental and applied research in computer science and engineering, mathematics, and statistics that cultivates trust in information technology and metrology

**Title:** Artificial Intelligence: A NIST strategic priority

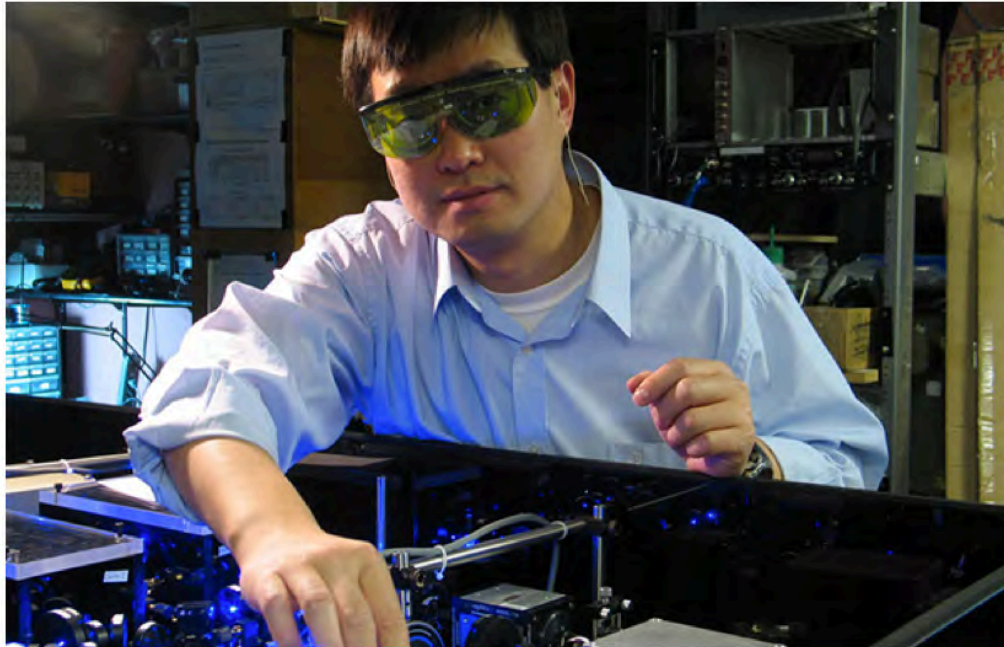
**Overview:** A discussion of NIST activities, priorities and strategic goals.



# Artificial Intelligence: A NIST strategic priority

# Information Technology Laboratory

## Cultivating Trust in IT and Metrology



# From innovation to adoption

**Fundamental  
Research**



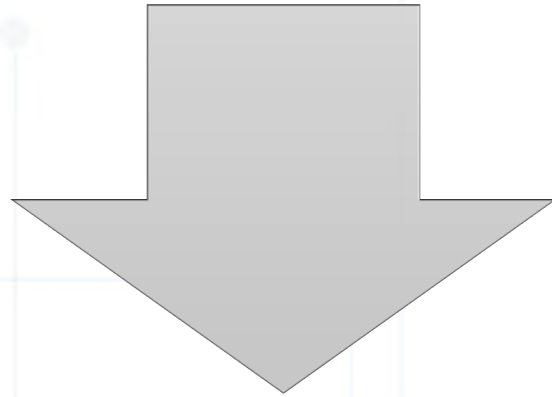
**Adoption**

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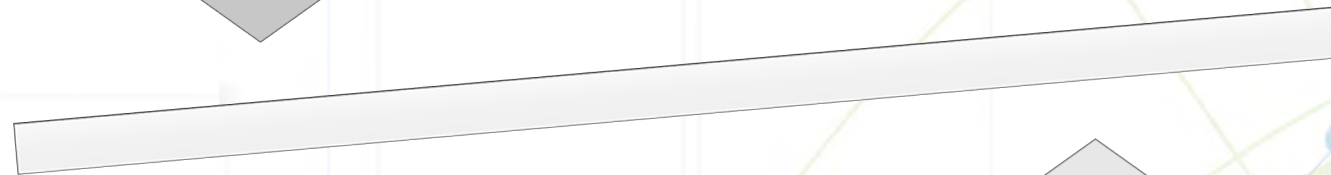
# Trustworthy AI



# Major advances in artificial intelligence



Raise productivity, enable more efficient use of resources, change the way we live and work, and increase creativity.



Negative impact on job, exacerbate the trend of rising inequality, and (even) threat to humanity.



# Technical requirements for trustworthy AI



accurate



secure



robust



explainable



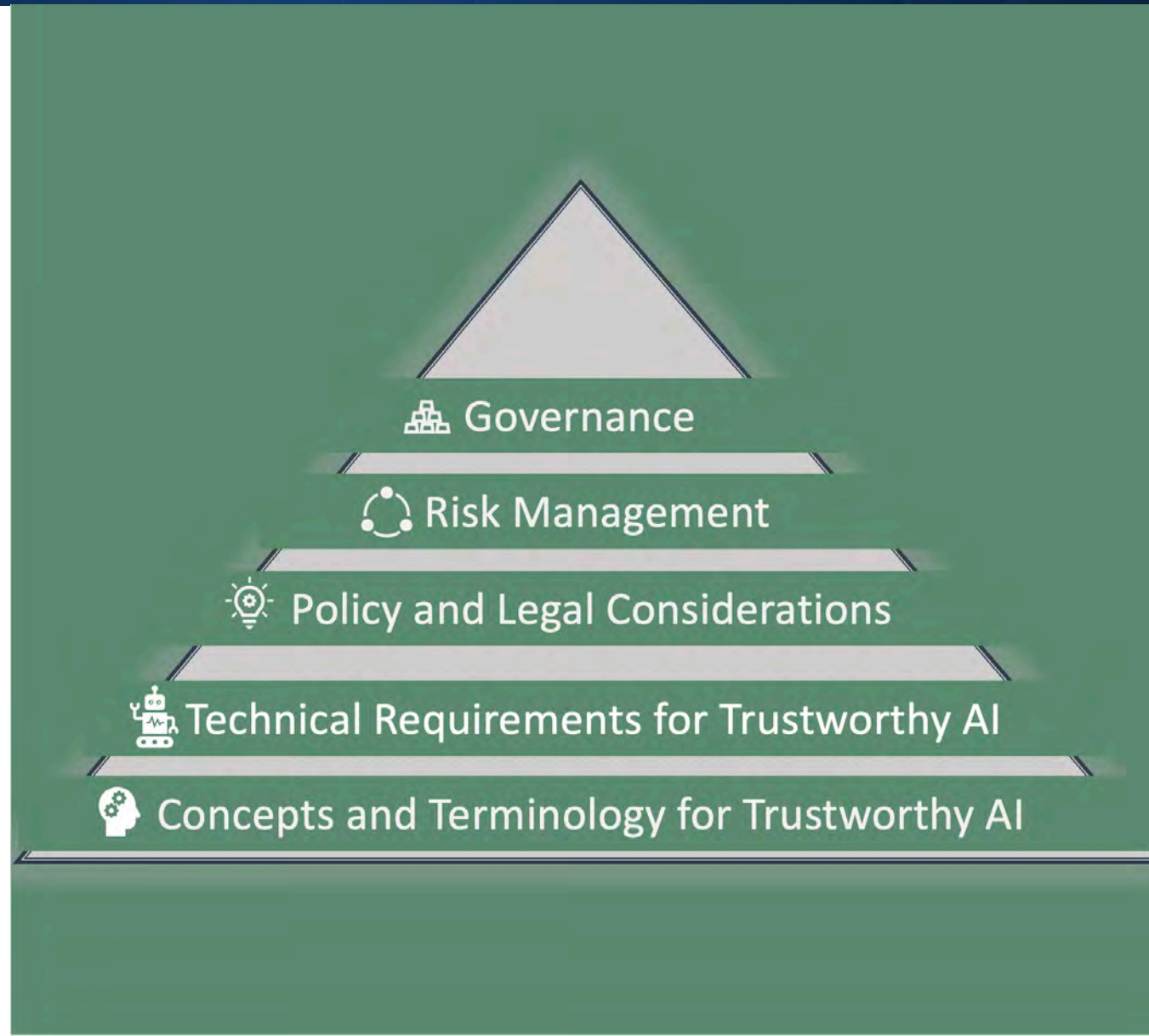
objective



reliable

and more ...

# Foundational research for trustworthy AI



# Pillars of NIST AI Program



## Foundational Research

establish the needed scientific foundation for design, development, and assessment of trustworthy AI



## Use-inspired Research

advance AI as a tool to accelerate scientific discoveries and technological innovations



## Evaluation

benchmarks to understand the theoretical capabilities and limitations of AI



## Standards

tools and guidelines for vocabulary, data, metrics and testbeds for AI



## Policy and Engagement

forums and research to engage scientists, engineers, psychologists, and lawyers on issues of trustworthiness

# AI happenings in Summer 2020

Develop a shared understanding of what constitutes trustworthy AI (e.g., accuracy, security, explainability, reliability, free from bias) and establish the needed scientific foundation for design, development, and assessment of trustworthy AI.



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Kickoff webinar on August 6, 2020.



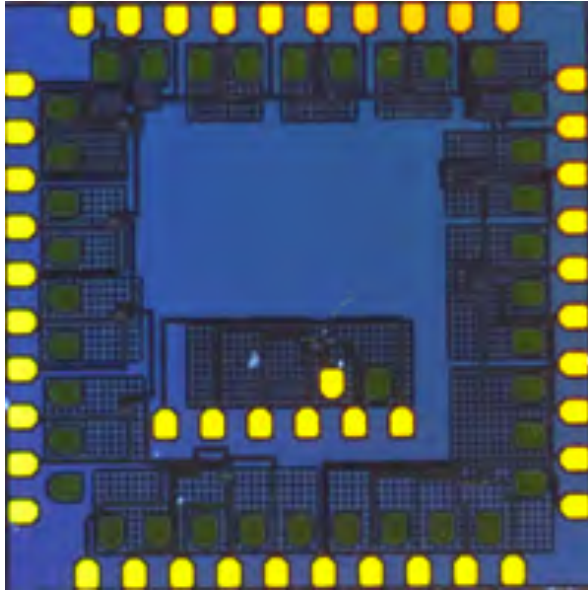
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Bias in AI: workshop on August 18, 2020.



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Secure AI: Terminology and Taxonomy; 2<sup>nd</sup> draft for public comment.



Establishing metrics and benchmarks for AI hardware.



Foundational analysis of the computational capacity of a physical system.



Analysis and development of algorithms for spike-based computation.

# Federal Engagement in Artificial Intelligence Standards

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

## Executive Order on Maintaining American Leadership in Artificial Intelligence

INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY | Issued on: February 11, 2019



Within 180 days...

Secretary of Commerce, through Director of NIST, shall issue a plan for Federal engagement in the development of technical standards and related tools in support of reliable, robust, and trustworthy systems that use AI technologies.



# By the Numbers



**97**

RFI  
RESPONSES



**>400**

WORKSHOP  
ATTENDEES



**6**

BREAKOUT  
SESSIONS



**43**

PUBLIC  
COMMENTS



**2**

DOCUMENTS



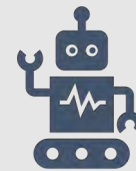
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## Coordination

Bolster AI standards-related knowledge, leadership, and coordination among Federal agencies to maximize effectiveness and efficiency.



## Research

Promote focused research to accelerate broader exploration and understanding of how aspects of trustworthiness can be practically incorporated within standards.



## Partnership

Support and expand public-private partnerships to develop and use AI standards and related tools to advance trustworthy AI.



## Engagement

Strategically engage with international parties to advance AI standards for U.S. economic and national security needs.

# Coordination Activities

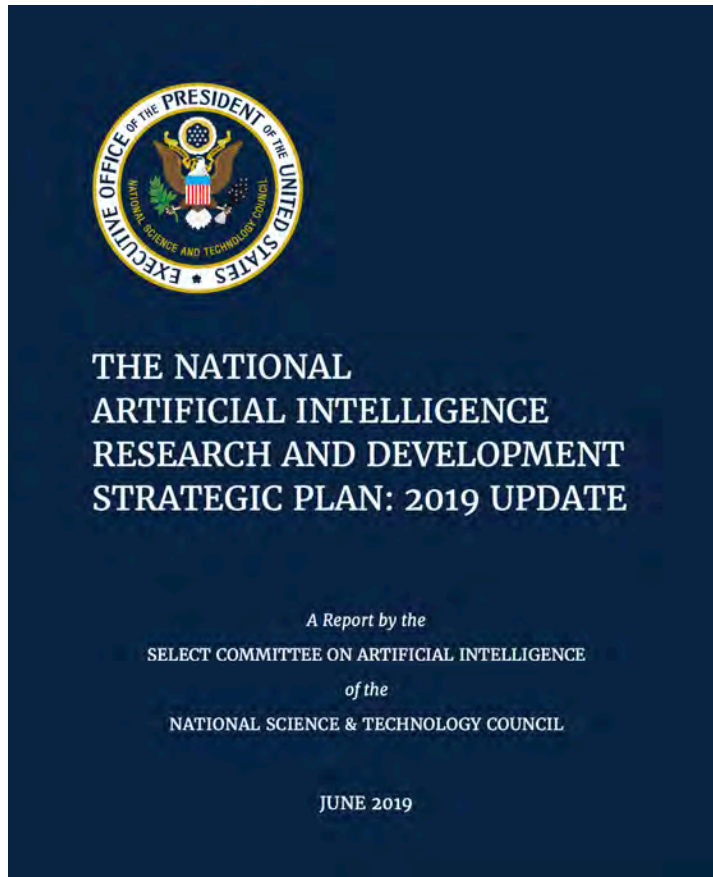
# Interagency coordination and leadership

**AI Select Committee**  
**Chaired by OSTP, NSF, DARPA**

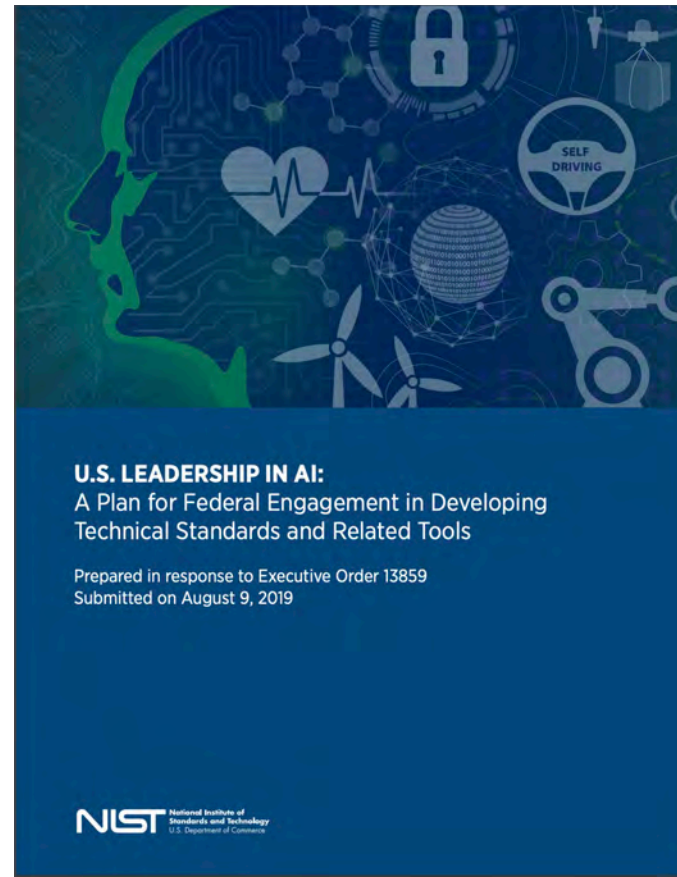


**National Security Commission on AI**  
**Chief Technical Advisor**

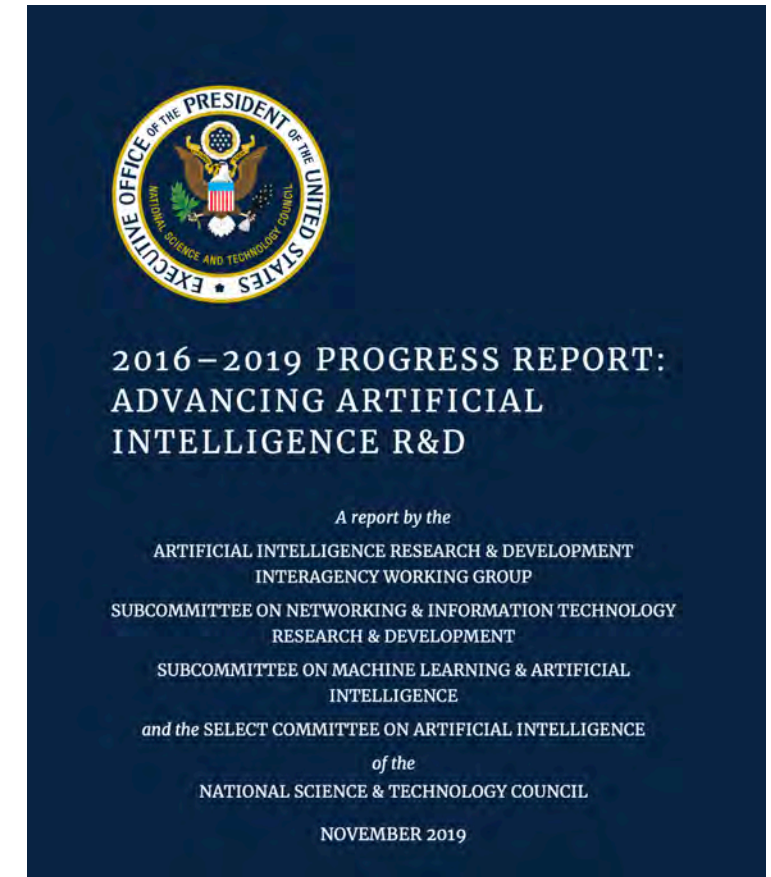
# Policy documents in 2019



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[www.nitrd.gov/pubs/AI-Research-and-Development-Progress-Report-2016-2019.pdf](http://www.nitrd.gov/pubs/AI-Research-and-Development-Progress-Report-2016-2019.pdf)

# QUESTIONS?

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# Thiago Seuaciuc-Osorio

**Organization/Role:** EPRI - Senior Technical Leader in the Nuclear Nondestructive Evaluation (NDE) group at EPRI

**Education/Experience:** BS in Physics, MS in Mechanical Engineering, currently pursuing MS in Computer Science for Data Science. Nearly 10 years at EPRI.

**Current ML/AI work:** Leading ML/AI projects related to NDE in Nuclear and helping coordinate ML/AI efforts in the Nuclear Sector at EPRI

**Title:** Data Driven Decision Making (3DM)

**Overview:** An overview of how EPRI is seeing and approaching AI in the Nuclear Sector, with some examples of current work in the area.



# Data Driven Decision Making (3DM)

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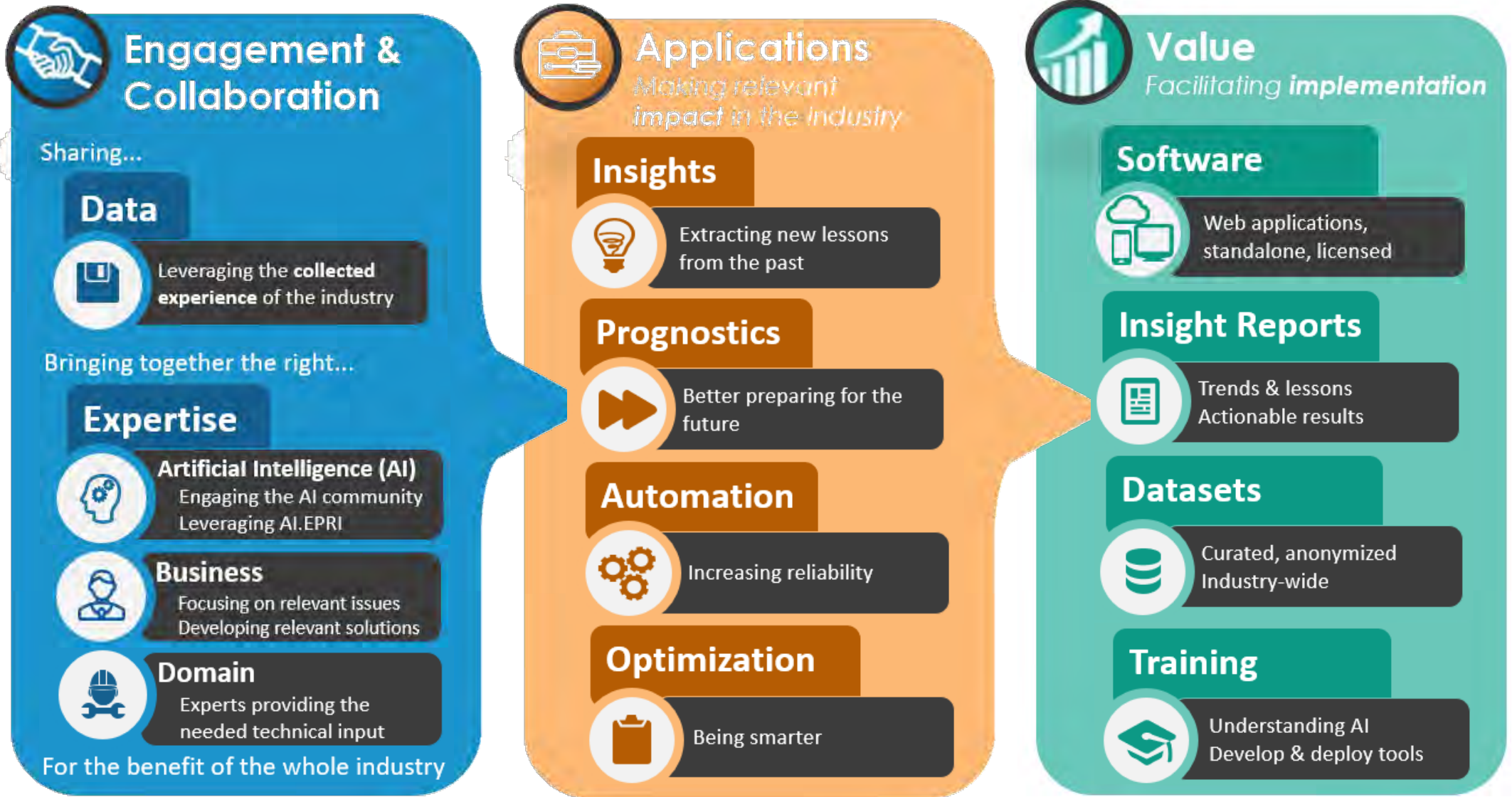
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# Enabling data-driven decision making through the collaborative application of data science technologies





# Application Examples



## Insights

- Event Management Response Tool (EMRT)
- Mining work order database



## Automation

- Automating analysis of NDE data
- Automatic diagnostics and processing of CAP data



## Prognostics

- Using CHECWORKS database to improve FAC wear rate predictions
- Plant historian data analysis



## Optimization

- Decision logic for source term reduction
- Use of AI to enhance inventory management

# Together...Shaping the Future of Electricity

# Lars Kotthoff

**Organization/Role:** University of Wyoming - Assistant Professor of Computer Science, Director of Artificially Intelligent Manufacturing (AIM) Center

**Education/Experience:** PhD in CS/AI (St Andrews), postdoctoral appointments at University College Cork and University of British Columbia, faculty since 2017

**Current ML/AI work:** Developing and applying techniques from AI and ML to problems in materials science

**Title:** AI for Materials Science

**Overview:** Provide information on work in applying AI to problems in materials design and will briefly touch on the AI background.



# AI for Materials Science

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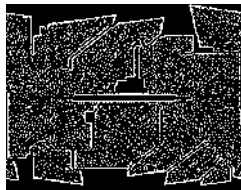
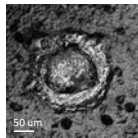
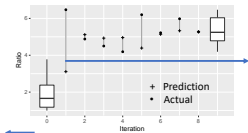
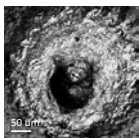


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# Overview

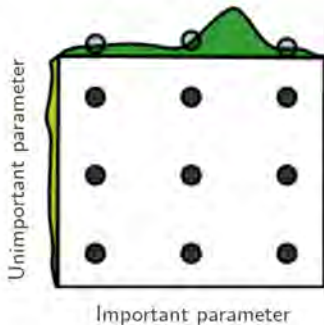
- ▷ Application of AI and ML techniques to Materials Science
- ▷ Bayesian Optimization to optimize materials design and production



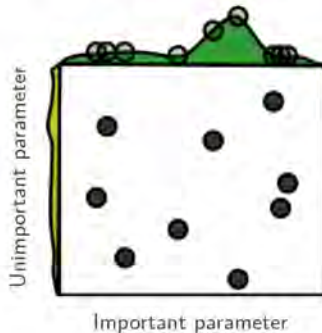
# Background – AI-Automated Processes

- ▷ Automated tuning of black-box processes
- ▷ Mature techniques used in many areas of AI and elsewhere

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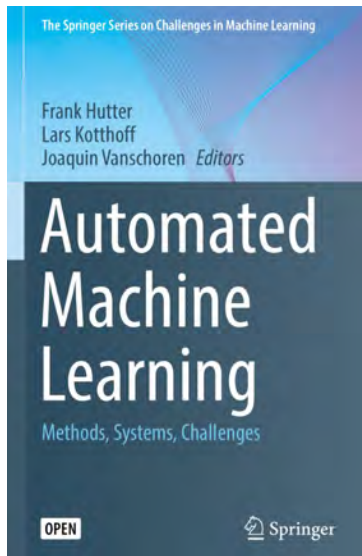
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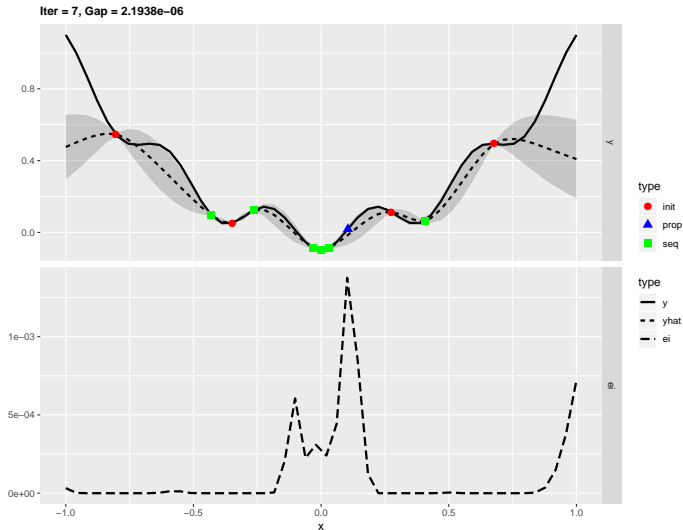
Bergstra, James, and Yoshua Bengio. "Random Search for Hyper-Parameter Optimization." J. Mach. Learn. Res. 13, no. 1 (February 2012): 281–305.

# Automated Machine Learning





# Bayesian Optimization with Surrogate Models



Bischl, Bernd, Jakob Richter, Jakob Bossek, Daniel Horn, Janek Thomas, and Michel Lang. "MirMBO: A Modular Framework for Model-Based Optimization of Expensive Black-Box Functions," March 9, 2017. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1703.03373>.

# Challenges and Opportunities

- ▷ Other applications
- ▷ Inform understanding of optimized process by what surrogate model has learned
- ▷ Multi-scale and multi-fidelity measurements and simulations
- ▷ Multi-objective optimization

# ***Koroush Shirvan***

**Group:** Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**Education/Experience:** BS'08 UF, SM'10 PhD'12 MIT  
Research/Principal Scientist '12-17, Assistant Prof.  
(current) all in nuclear power engineering

**Current ML/AI work:** Reinforcement learning for core  
design, physics-informed ML for nuclear safety

**Title:** AI for Nuclear Core Design

**Overview:** Turn nuclear core reload design tactics  
into game-play strategy and apply reinforcement  
learning to achieve more optimized loading patterns

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*AI for Nuclear Core Design*



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# Core Design Today

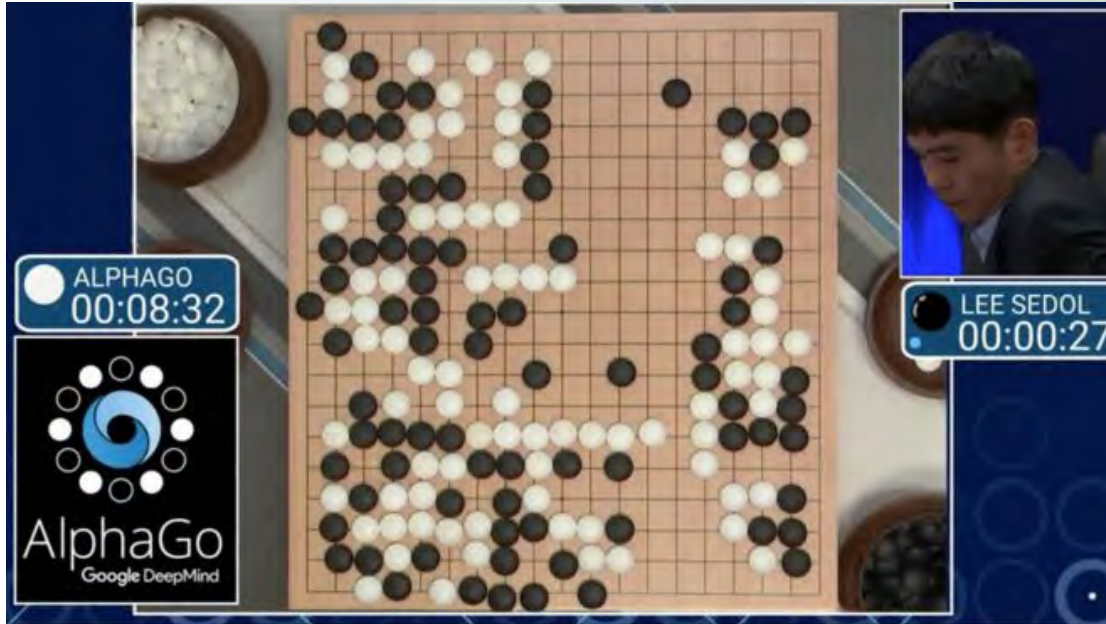
Presented at the Advances in Nuclear Fuel Management II Conference, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, March 23-26, 1997

**Rules of the Game**

Reject Criterium		
Number of Events	59659	
Accepted Events	893	
CPU/Event [ms]	1.2	
Max_FDeltah	1,480	1,500
CycleLength	510.2	525.0
Max_Fq	1,742	
Max_Boron	1476.1	1500.0
DischargeBurnup	46.63	
Poison	8832	9000
Enrichment	4.013	
NrNew	120	
FuelCost	57,932	
TotalCost	57,932	
Max_BurnupAss	48.93	
Max_BurnupRod	50.65	60.00
Max_BurnupPellet	55.57	
SymPower	0.962	
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SymBurnup	0.689	0.000
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Min_Detector	1.196	1.050

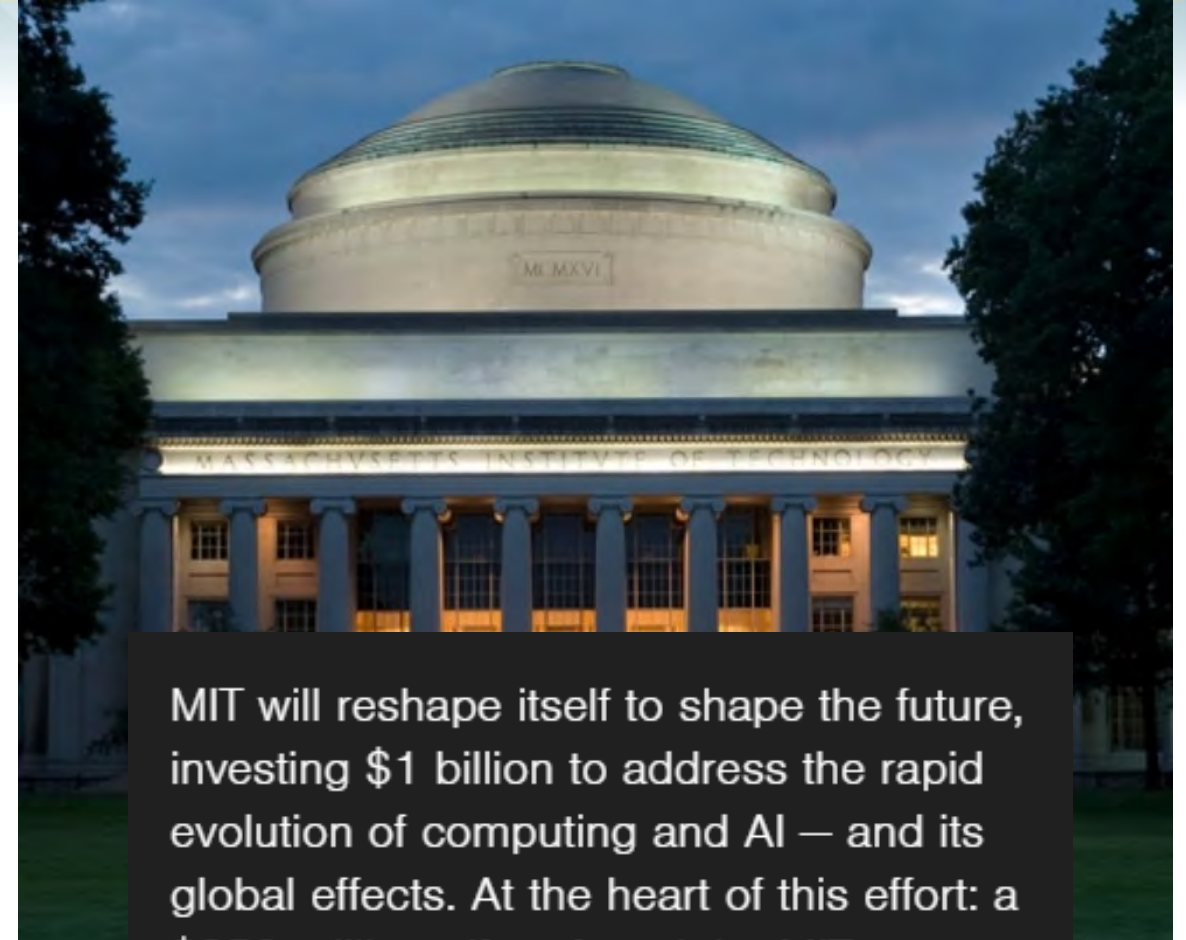
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*2016: Google DeepMind's **AlphaGo** defeats Go Champion Lee Sedol which AI researcher thought was not possible to achieve in next **20 years***

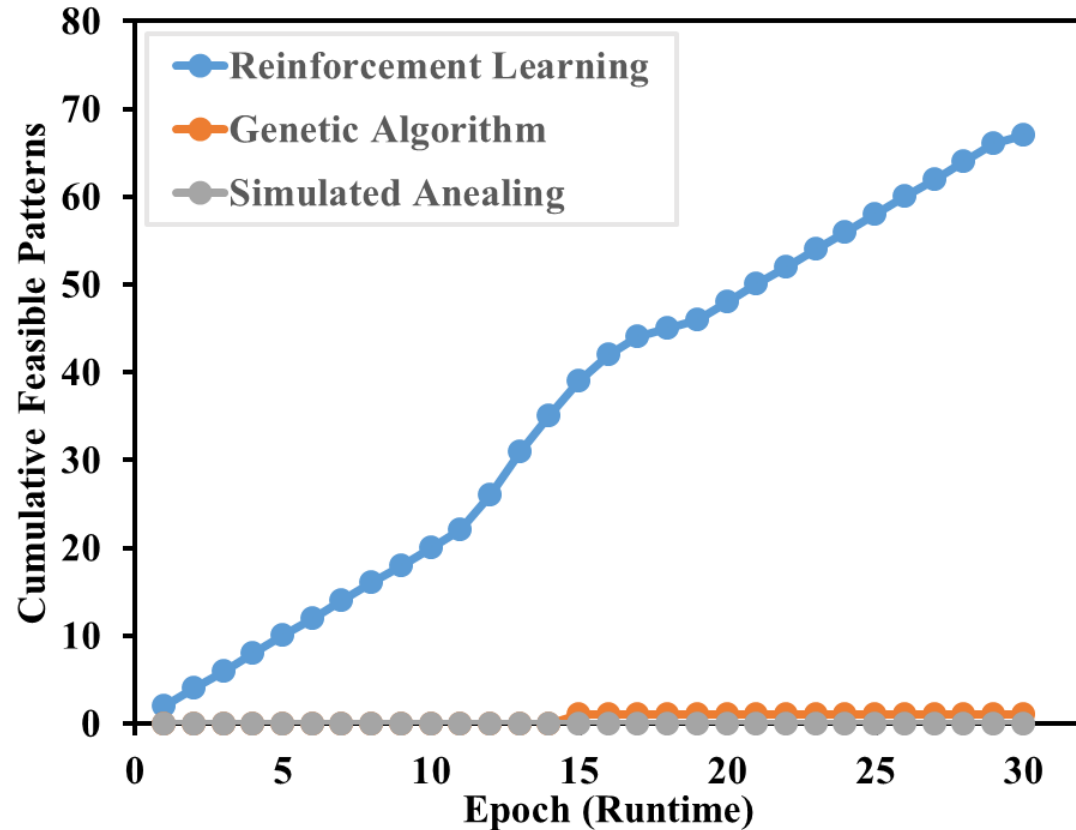


MIT will reshape itself to shape the future, investing \$1 billion to address the rapid evolution of computing and AI — and its global effects. At the heart of this effort: a \$350 million gift to found the MIT Stephen A. Schwarzman College of Computing.

Photo: Christopher Harting

# Can Reinforcement Learning trump Stochastic algorithms?

To be Submitted: Radaideh M., et al., 2020



$k_{\infty}^{max}=1.10937$  PPF=1.386 CL=1476 days

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3.6	4.95	4.95 8.0	4.95	4.0	4.95	4.95	4.4 8.0	4.95	3.6
4.4	4.95 8.0	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.4 7.0	4.4	4.95	4.95 8.0	4.4
4.4	4.95	4.95	4.95	3.6	W	W	4.95	4.95	4.4
4.4	4.0	4.95	3.6	4.0	W	W	4.4	3.6	4.4
4.4	4.95	4.4	7.0	W	W	4.95	4.4 8.0	4.0	4.4 8.0
4.4	4.95	4.4	W	W	4.4	3.6	4.95 8.0	4.95	4.4
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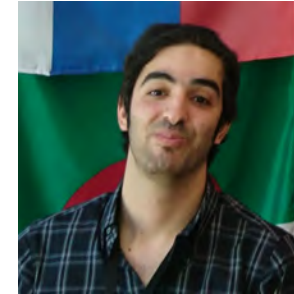
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- Value of AI vs. Stochastic Algorithms for  $\sim 10^{30}$  combinatorial problem with licensed methodology:
  - >1000x faster and more efficient exploratory features for the specific problem setup
  - Incorporation of physics-based game tactics was key to the success of AI

# Looking Ahead

- **This project: deliver the first software package to Exelon for testing in September 2020**
- **Safety vs. non-Safety Application of ML/AI:**
  - **“When used as a surrogate for a detailed model, the impact on risk needs' to be shown to be insignificant with respect to the results being used to support the decision.” NUREG-1855 (2017)**
- **We need more design optimization studies along with high fidelity tool development**
- **Final remarks on value of ML/AI to nuclear energy:**
  - **In my view, the largest value proposition is attracting the best talent to the nuclear energy area**

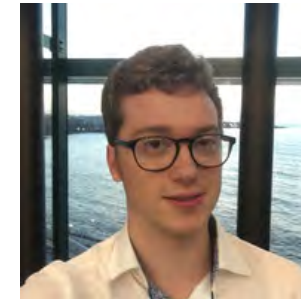
## *AI Core Design Team (Students and Postdoc)*



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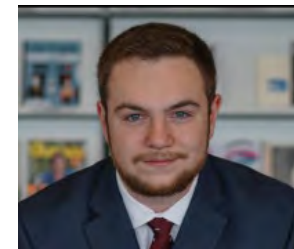
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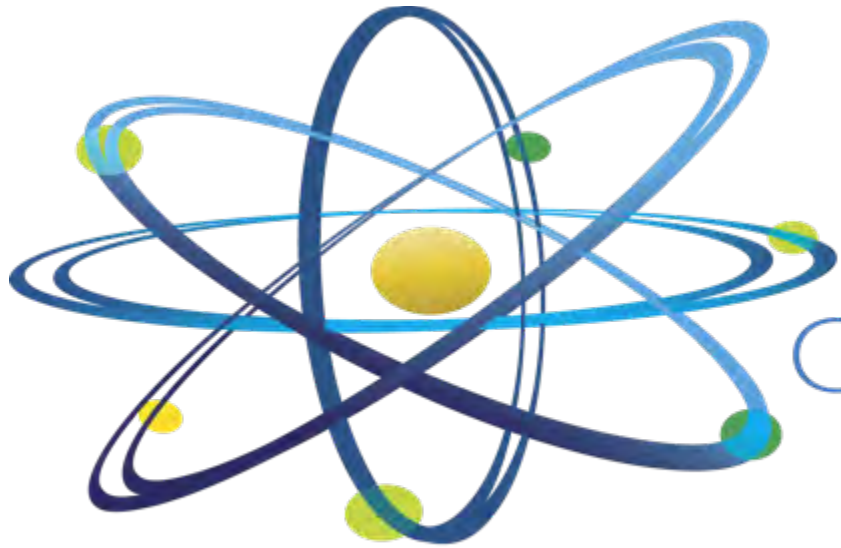
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## Questions?



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**Title:** Domain-Enriched Deep Architectures and Applications

**Overview:** Discuss problems in purely data-driven models and exciting recent progress in domain-enriched deep learning and provide insight into the future research directions in deep learning.

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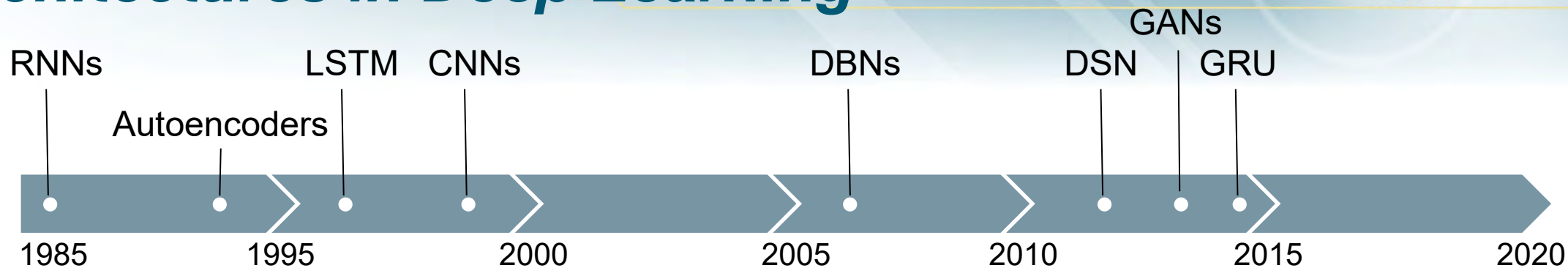
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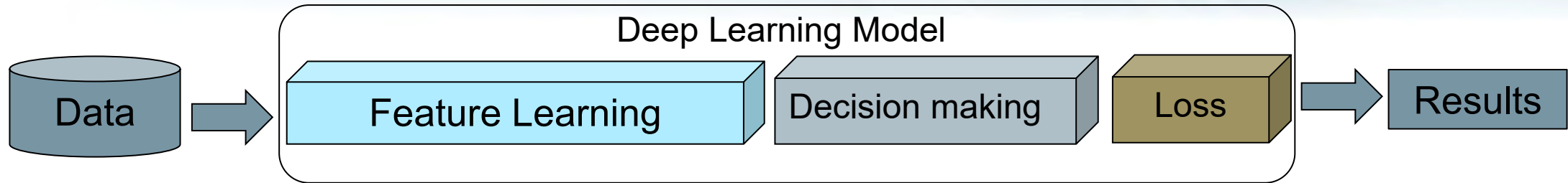


# Architectures in Deep Learning



Architecture	Application
RNNs	Time series data modeling, speech recognition, handwriting recognition,
Autoencoders	Data Anomaly detection, dimensionality reduction, information retrieval
LSTM/GRU networks	Time series data modeling, natural language text compression, handwriting recognition, speech recognition, gesture recognition, image captioning
CNNs	Image recognition, video analysis, natural language processing
DBNs	Image recognition, information retrieval, natural language understanding, failure prediction
DSNs	Information retrieval, continuous speech recognition
GANs	Image synthesis, image translation, video games, Speech2Face

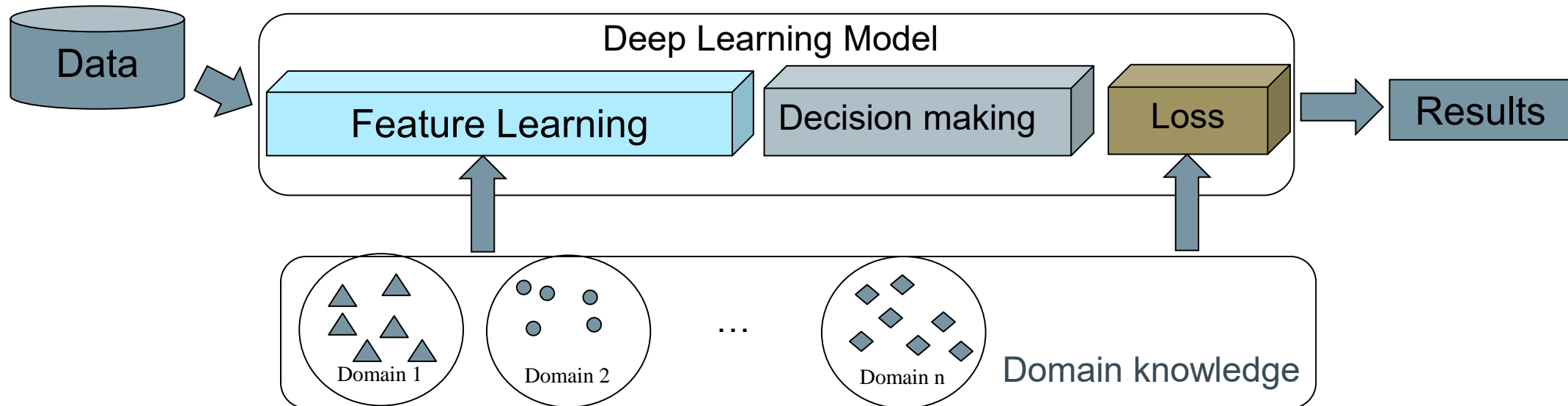
# Why Domain-Enriched Deep Architectures?



One of the major contributions of deep learning is the automated feature learning processing.

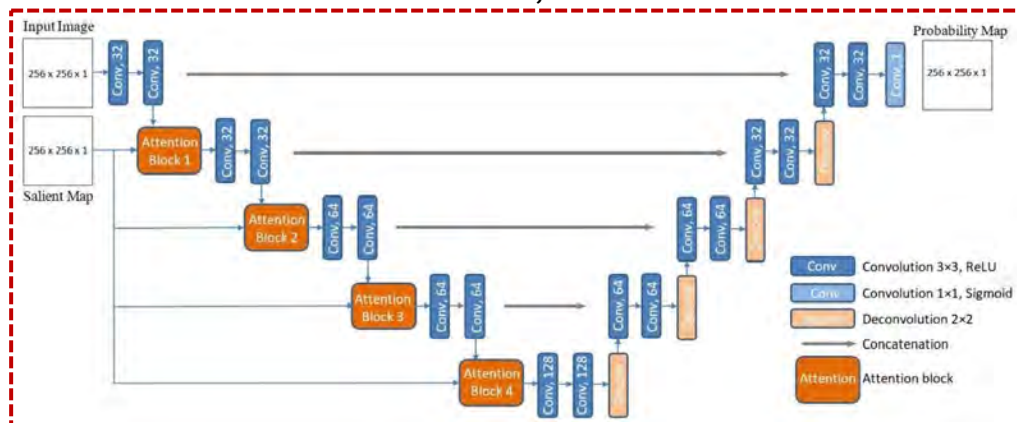
However, compelling open challenges remain:

- The performance of a purely data-driven approach heavily depends on ***the quantity and quality of the training data***.
- It is not straightforward to interpret.



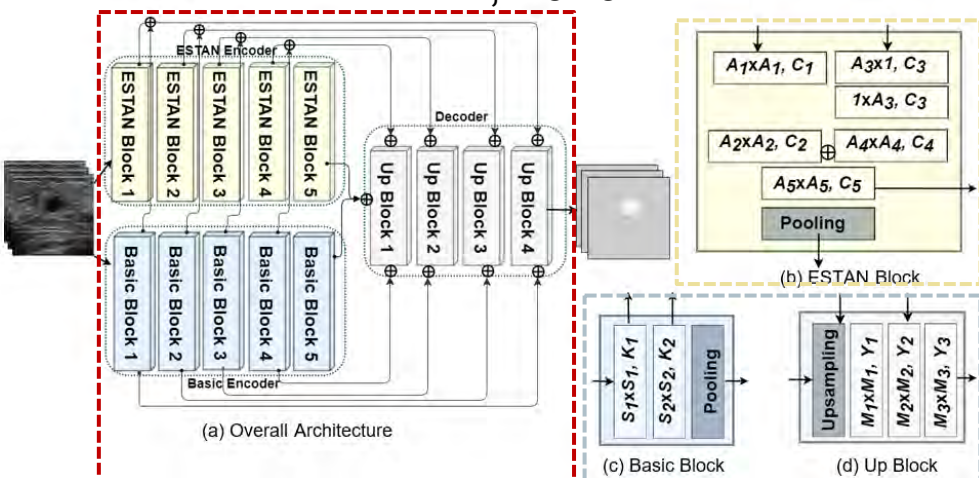
## Attention-enriched architecture

A. Vakanski and M. Xian, 2020



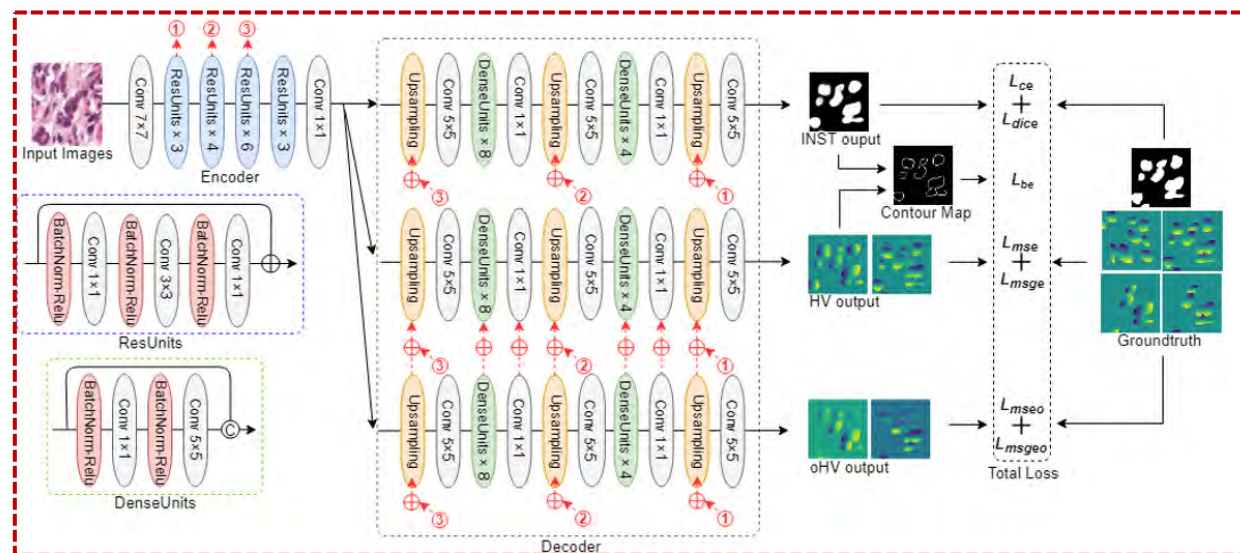
## STAN for small object detection

B. Shareef and M. Xian, 2020



## Bending Loss-regularized multi-task learning

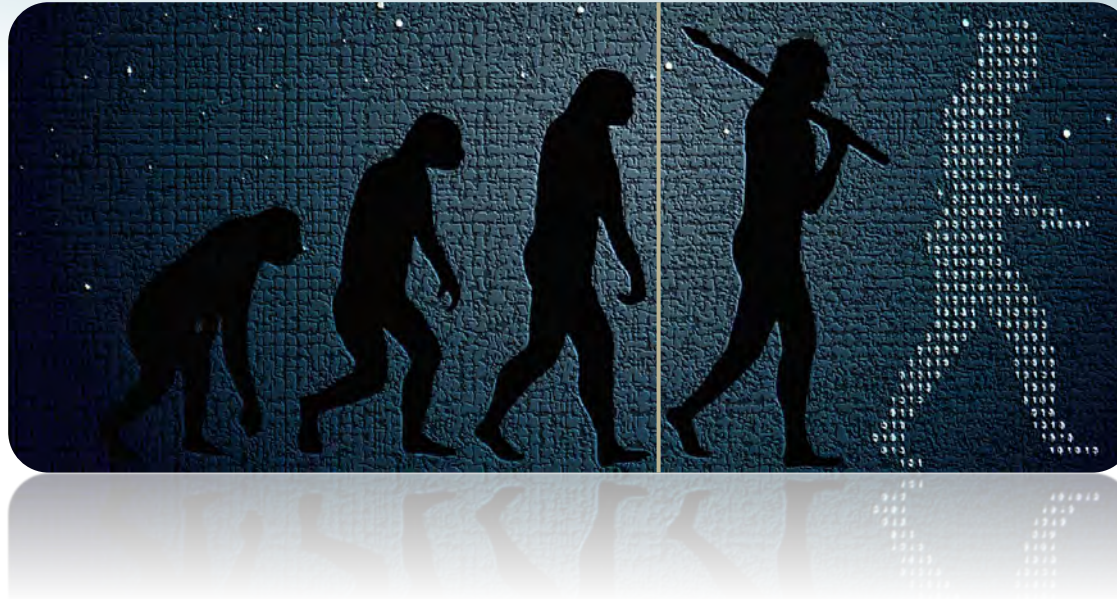
H. Wang, and M. Xian, 2020



## Other applications:

Data reconstruction  
 Medical image analysis  
 Self-driving cars  
 Anomaly detection

Cybersecurity  
 Face recognition  
 Machine translation  
 Games  
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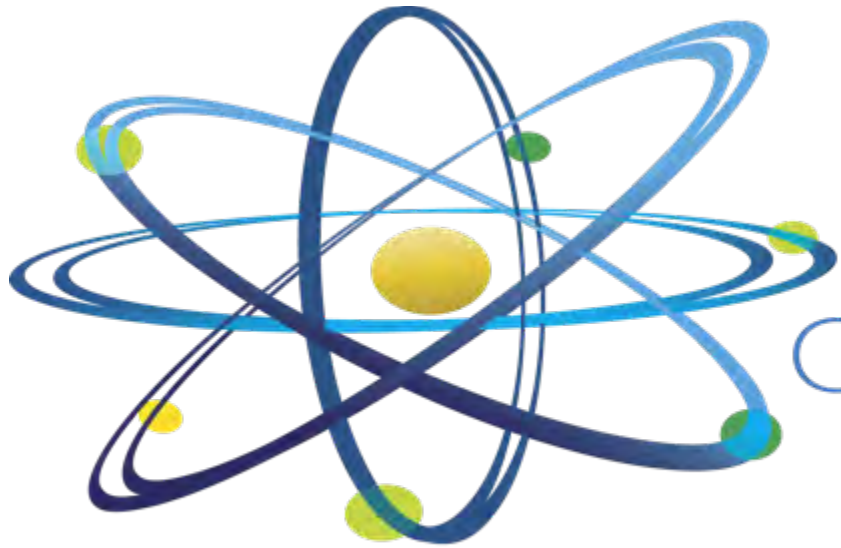
- **What we have**

- Automounous cars
- Accurate face recognition
- Computer-aided medical image analysis
- Useful Chatbots
- Acceptable language translation
- Numerous applications in energy, finance manufacturing, biology games, ...

- **What we will have**

- **Automated deep learning.** In the future, model architectures will be learned, rather than handcrafted by engineer-artisans
- **Modular subroutine reuse.** Not only leverage previously learned features (submodel weights), but also model architectures and training procedures
- **Artificial General Intelligence.** A machine has the capacity to understand or learn any intellectual task that a human being can.

**Questions?**



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**Current ML/AI work:** Trustworthy AI, Explainable, Reliable, Secure, Fair, Unbiased AI

**Title:** The future with AI: Sci-Fi or Reality

**Overview:** Discuss ethics of AI and provide insight into the latest trends in deep and adversarial learning, trustworthy and explainable intelligence, and present the challenges and directions in which AI/ML techniques are developing.



# The future with AI: Sci-Fi or Reality

*Explainable, Trustworthy, Reliable, and Secure*

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*Milos Manic, PhD  
Professor, Virginia Commonwealth University,  
Affiliate, Idaho National Laboratory*



# Research Overview AI/ML in Resilience and Security



**Milos Manic, Ph.D., Director, VCU Cyber Security Center, NSA CAE-CD**  
 Director, MHRG Group, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA, Joint Appt, INL



### Smart, Sustainable, Resilient, and Secure Cities

We view community resilience as **data** and **human knowledge** driven goals

**100RC (100 Resilient Cities)** – capacity to survive, adapt, and grow, regardless of stressors (aging infrastructure, food, energy & water security, cyber attacks, etc.)

Role of **Machine Learning** and **AI**: **connected, smart, efficient** modern municipalities and critical infrastructures.

**Holistic view: understanding** sub-systems, **interdependencies**, and the risks cities face.

### Cybersecurity and Resilience

**Dr. Milos Manic's research areas:** Data Analytics, Machine Learning (ML) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) approaches applied to resilience and security of critical infrastructures.

**ML driven cybersecurity:** anomaly detection, holistic CPS cyberhealth and state awareness, intelligent controls, software vulnerability identification.

**Explainable AI (XAI):** trust in AI systems; transparency of complex AI models (e.g. deep learning).

**Adversarial machine learning:** exploits/strengthening AI algorithms and data.

**Embedding domain-knowledge in ML:** combining physics based (diff. eqs) and data driven (AI/ML) modeling of complex control systems.

**AI fuel efficient transportation**

**TEMST – Targeted Energy Management Toolset for Building Managers**

**Visual Data Mining VCU Virtual Reality Lab**

- Over 40 invited talks on ML in critical infrastructures, big data integration, nuclear security and energy resiliency, and intelligent human-machine interfaces
  - AICS, 2018 R&D 100 Award, one of top 100 science and technology worldwide innovations in 2018.
  - Over 200 peer-reviewed publications, 12 book chapters, 33 journals, 8 IEEE Transactions Editorials
  - Over 40 research efforts as PI/CO-PI
  - Founding Chair of IEEE IES Technical Committee on Resilience and Security in Industry
  - 10 advisee awards for outstanding researcher/dissertation
  - 15 best-paper and presentation awards at IEEE conferences
  - IEEE IES Officer, General Chair of IEEE IECON 2018 <http://www.iecon2018.org/>, IEEE HSI 2019 <http://hsi2019.welcometohsi.org>
  - <http://www.people.vcu.edu/~mmanic>
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# What IS AI...?

**Artificial** = Made by humans; Created, produced - rather than natural.

Defining **Intelligence** – much harder!



- The capacity to **acquire** and **apply knowledge**.
- The **ability to learn** or understand things or to deal with new or trying situations: the skilled use of reason.
- Terminology..
  - AI, ML, CI, Deep learning

**AI our attempt to build models of ourselves?**

**AI today...**

- “data driven”
- takes many forms

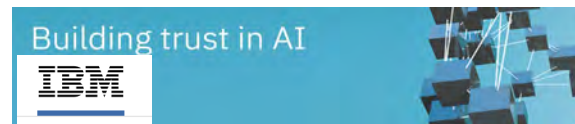


## The difficult questions...

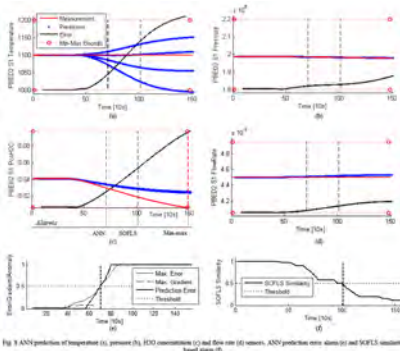
- How do you...
  - ...replicate something we do not understand?
  - Sentience...emotion, love, dream, conciseness, fear, anger, memory (ours is subjective, fallible)
  - Trust and trustworthy, how to quantify?
  - Regulate? Public and gov policies
  - Autonomous vehicles and intelligence - ethical, moral questions questions

“AI would be the biggest event in human history. Unfortunately, it might also be the last” Elon Musk (Tesla)

“If a super-intelligent machine decided to get rid of us, I think it would do so pretty efficiently” Shane Legg, DeepMind co-founder



## Resilient Anomaly Detection System



Detection 3 times faster !!!

### HYTEST



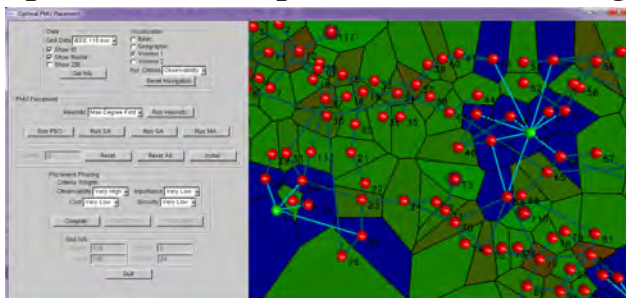
Resilience to transient faults, early warnings

## AI Powered Bio-fuel Generation



Increased reliability from 63% to 96%

## Optimal PMU placement in the grid

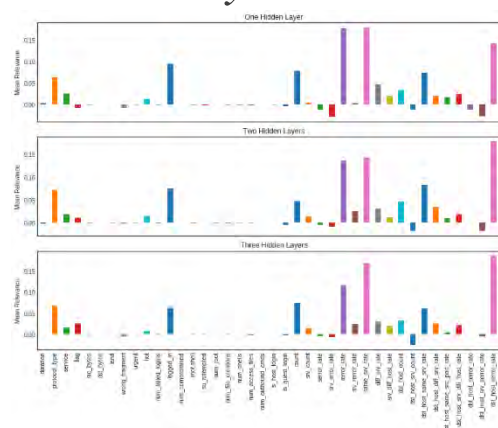


## AI in cyber manufacturing



AI -> up to 70% cost reduction

## Anomaly Detection



Different DNN Models  
 Similar Classification Accuracies  
 Input Feature contributions **ARE DIFFERENT**

For successful adoption of AI...

- Trustworthy AI, transparency, explainability

So... AI resiliency, accurate modeling, fairly doable...  
 but...*is performance enough?*

Accuracy scores ?

- Any model will do
- Each one uses a different set of features, different learning!

=> *Trustworthy and Explainable AI...*

=> *Transparency in safety-critical domains*

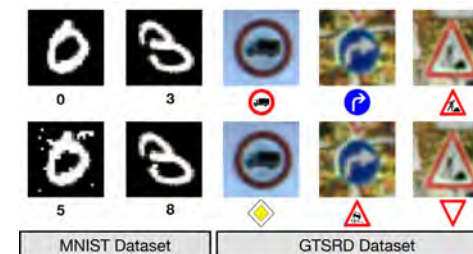
A Holy Grail of Machine Learning - *Generalization*

On previously unseen scenarios

vs.

*Adversarial learning*

“breaking” generalization



*The difficult questions...*

- Can we develop generalized explaining methods?
- How do we measure explainability?
- What is a sufficient level of explainability?
- Explainability is application/user dependent

*Other...*

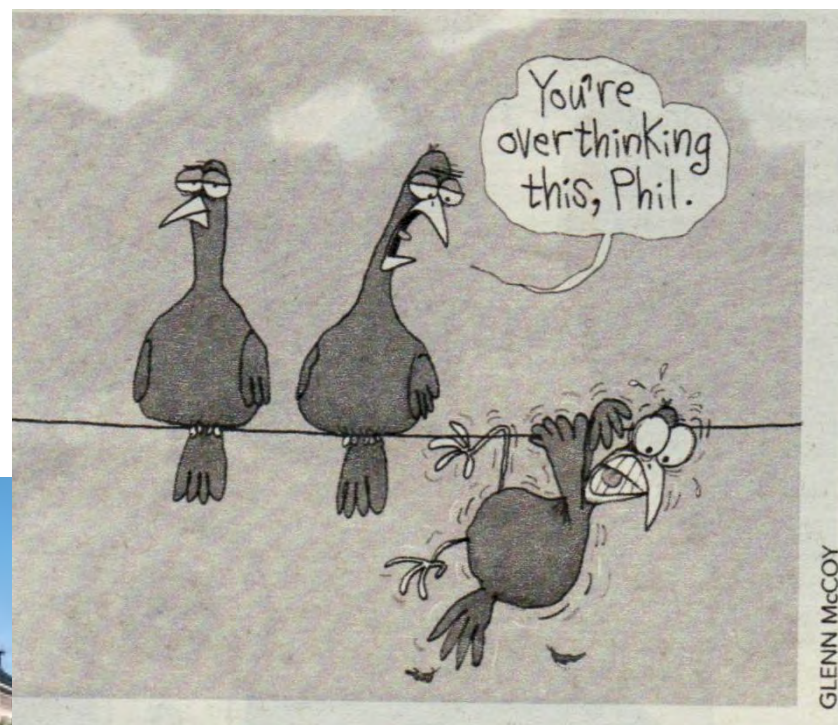
- Explainable AI
- Fair and Unbiased AI
- Privacy-Preserving AI
- Reliable/Verifiable AI

Crosscutting Areas

- Education & WFD
- Policy, Governance, Ethics,

# Thank you 😊

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*"Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication."  
~ Leonardo da Vinci*



# Alper Yilmaz

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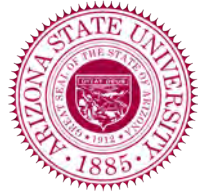
**Current ML/AI work:** Nuclear Plant Data Analysis, Autonomous Driving, GPS denied geo-localization, sensor fusion, Computer Vision

**Title:** Application of Deep Learning on NPP Related Data

**Overview:** Discuss ongoing projects, with brief description on how data should be utilized and what type of results can be obtained. The two projects are on 1) images 2) non-image data.







# Applications of Deep Learning on NPP Data

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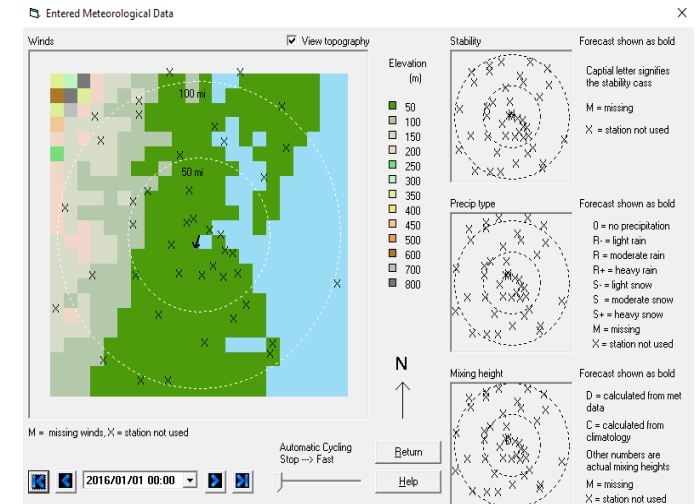
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# Types of Data

- Visual
  - Images sequences from room mounted cameras
  - Images from Augmented Reality mounts
- Non-visual
  - Component states
  - Work orders
  - Images of monitors

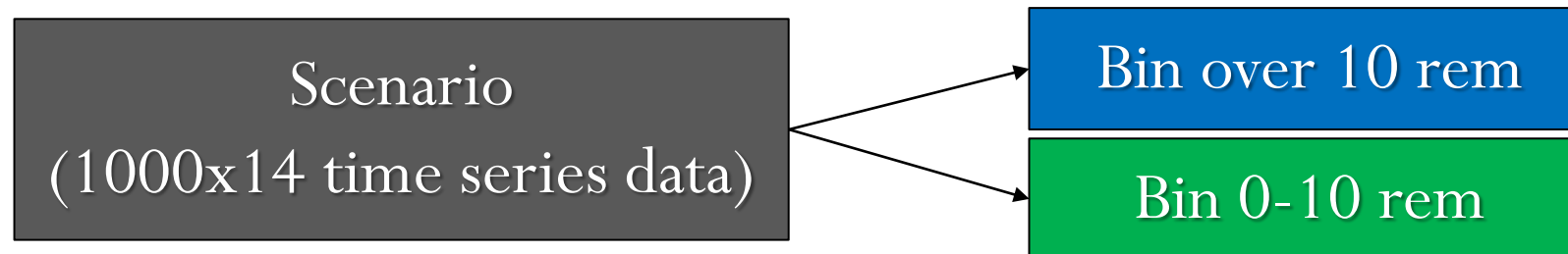


# Off-Site Emergency Call

- Training data generation



- Dynamic event tree (DET)
  - Label the pathway evolution following an initiating event
  - Estimate radioactive release based on weather conditions
- Predict Radioactive Material Release for Each Scenario

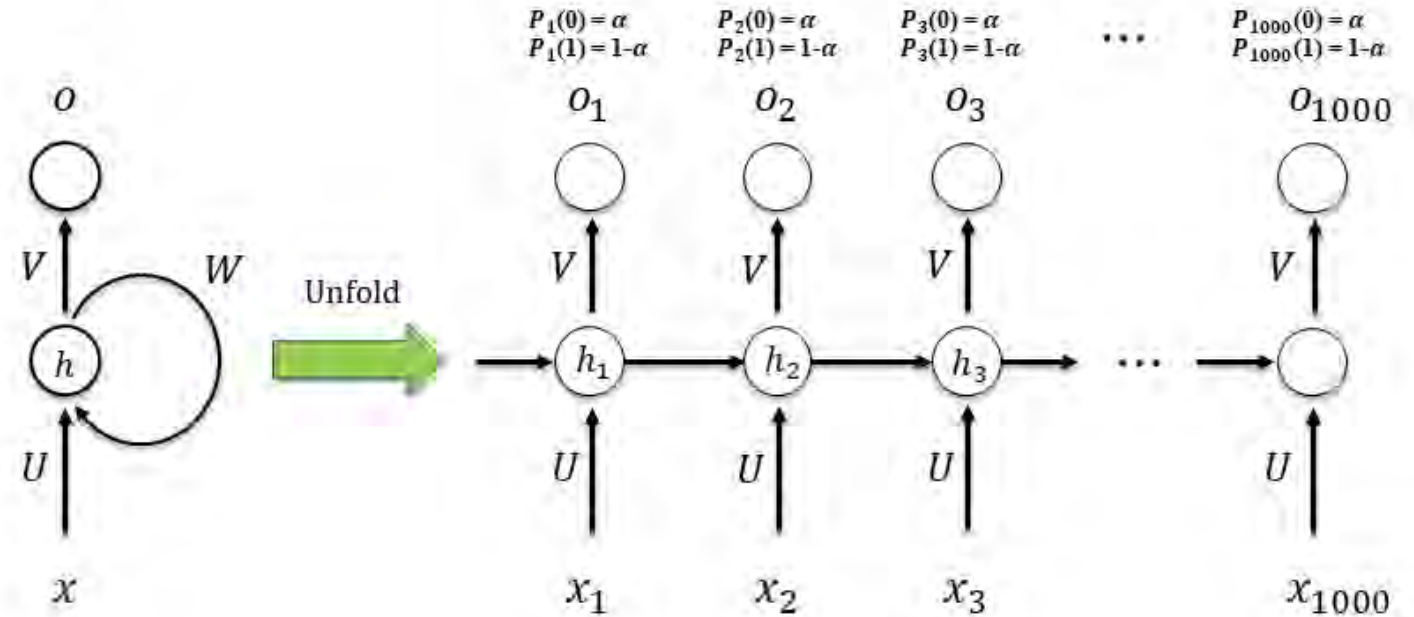


# Transient Data Models

- Long short-term memory (LSTM) for Classification

- Why LSTM

- Short memory feedback
- Variable-length I/O
- Remembers past
- Flexible structure



$$h_t = f(Wx_t + Vh_{t-1} + b_h)$$

$$o_t = g(Uh_t + b_y)$$



# Results

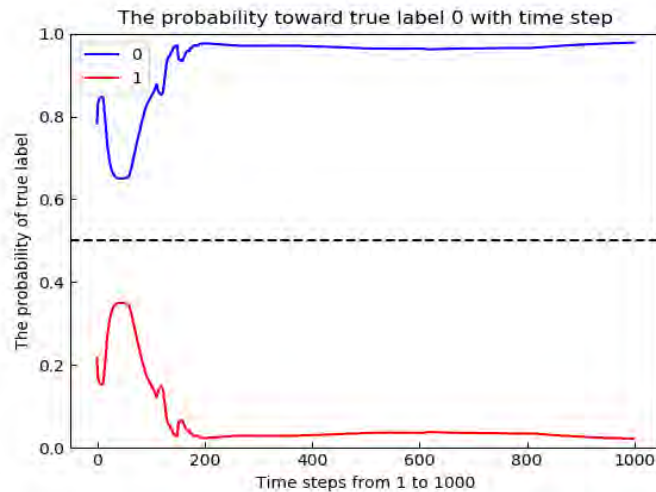
TABLE I: Case Study Data Statistics

Group	Class	Train	Validation	Test	Total
1	0	1625	407	508	2540
	1	74	18	24	116
2	0	101	26	2413	2540
	1	83	21	12	116

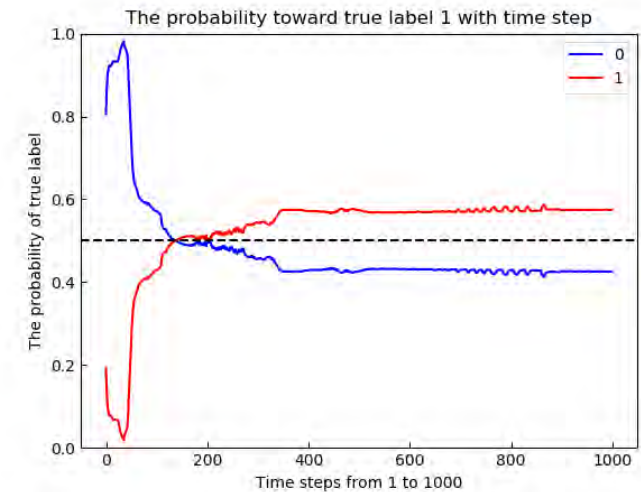
TABLE II: Accuracy of each experiment

Group	Validation Accuracy	Testing Accuracy
1	0.9976	0.99
2	0.9761	0.99

Probability of label 0  
( $> 10rem$ )



Probability to label 0  
( $\leq 10rem$ )





# Context-Aware Safety Information Display

- Recognize physical workspaces with maintenance processes



Wrong object



Wrong action



Delayed action



Information  
omission

- Real-time overlay of safety information displayed via AR goggles
- Assist field workers in
  - Assessing workspace risks,
  - Locating task-relevant objects,
  - Carrying out the tasks in the correct order



# Application Scenarios

Nuclear power plant field sample



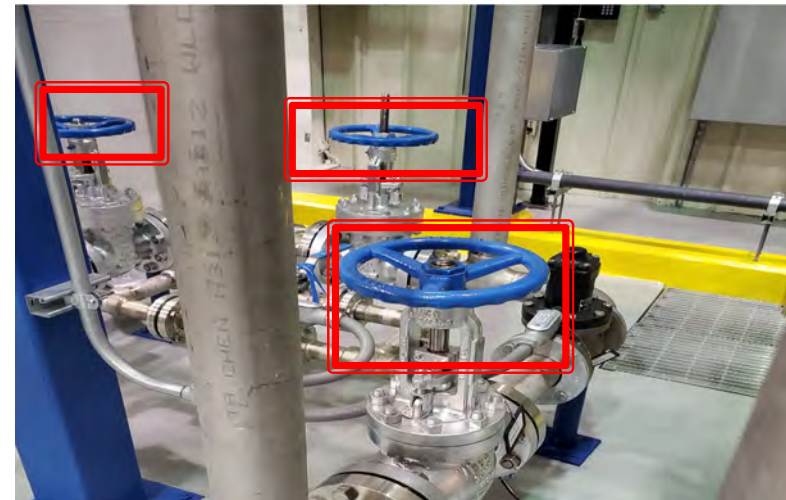
Nuclear power plant main control room





# Data Engineering & Algorithmic Flow

- Limited training data
- Different class, similar visual content
- Few-Shot / One-Shot learning
- Location as meta data







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**Current ML/AI work:** Conducting research on using Machine Learning for public policy with a focus on ML transparency and fairness for ensuring equitable policy outcomes.

**Title:** Explainable Machine Learning for Decision Support Systems

**Overview:** Discuss on how important explainability is for real-world ML applications, an example framework for explainability, a brief account of existing research, and my view of the future for the field of explainable ML.



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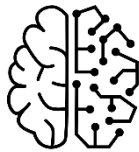
# Explainable Machine Learning for Decision Support Systems

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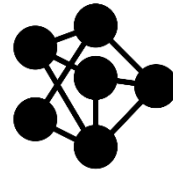
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# Black-box vs Explainable Machine Learning



We are incorporating ML in high-stakes settings

- Detecting threats to our critical infrastructure
- Public resource allocation
- Bank loans,
- Incarceration decisions



- Complex data needs complex models!
- But we end up with unintelligible models

What do they learn?  
What drives their decisions?

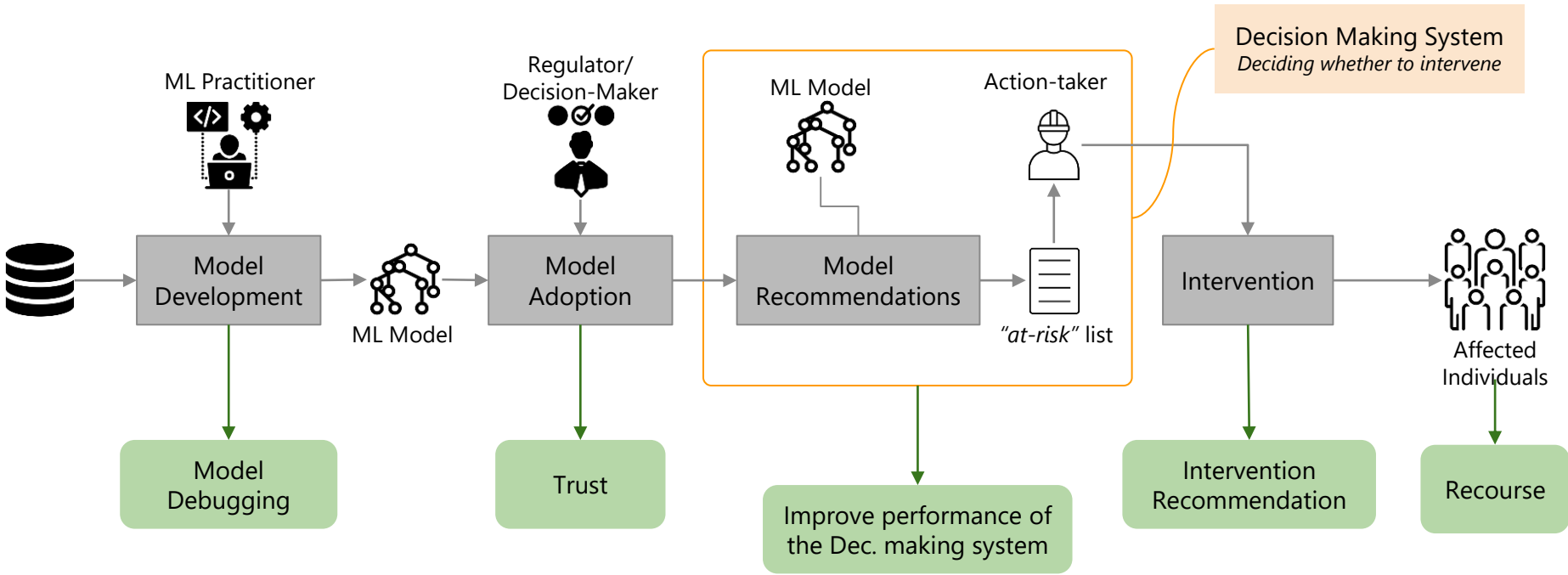


We need to open the black box



Explainable ML

# Why is Explainability so crucial?



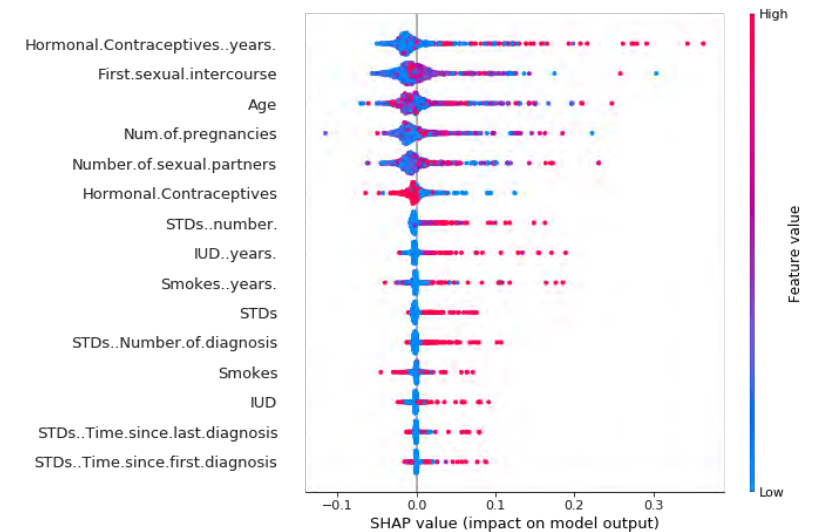
Explainable ML framework for Public Policy Applications<sup>1</sup>

Different human "actors" interact with the ML model at different stages and levels

<sup>1</sup>"Making explainable machine learning work for public policy", K. Amarasinghe, K. Rodolfa, R. Ghani

# What progress have we made?

- Two main approaches to explainable ML:
  - **Post-hoc explainability** methods for black-box models,
    - LIME, SHAP, LRP, Anchors
    - Most popular out of the two
    - **Model-agnostic**, and **model-specific** methods
  - Developing **inherently explainable models**
    - RiskSLIM, GA2M, MAPLE
- Existing methods:
  - **Feature attribution** has been the chosen method
  - **Local and global** explainability
- But, **testing** highly **reliant on synthetic data**, with **“synthetic” users (AMT)**



Feature Attribution Explanations<sup>1</sup>

**Theory has not met practice!**

# There's a long way to go...

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- **Bridge the gap between theory and practice:**
  - Explainability is a domain specific notion
  - Move beyond the buzz-word
  - **Domain specific research** is needed to address the nuances
- **Develop and evaluate existing methods partnering with end-users:**
  - Evaluate **real-world utility** with real users
  - Evaluate the ability to **improve the system outcomes**
- **Move beyond simple feature attribution to generate “complete” explanations:**
  - Explanations with more context than a simple feature importance.
- **Develop methods to generate “useful” explanations by tightly coupling the development process with the end users**
  - Tailor the explanations to include information that is useful to the end-user to accomplish the task

# Questions?



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- Advanced Online Monitoring and Diagnostic Technologies for Nuclear Plant Management, Operation, and Maintenance
- Data, Modeling, and Forecasting for Nuclear Plant Systems
- Process Anomaly Detection of a Nuclear Power Plant

**Title:** Machine Learning for Risk-Based Decision Making, Command and Control

**Overview:** A Discussion of how AI/ML can be used to improve decision making in nuclear power plants, and what needs to be achieved to bridge between advanced simulation to real-time implementation to realize improved command and control.



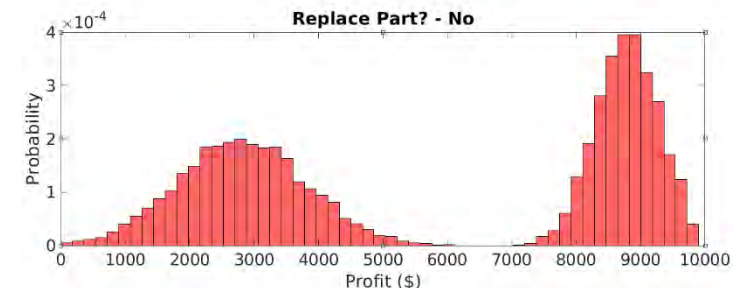
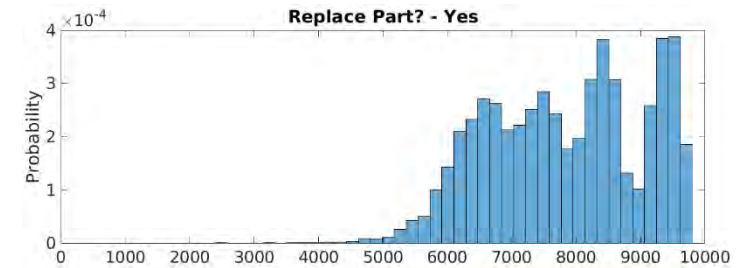
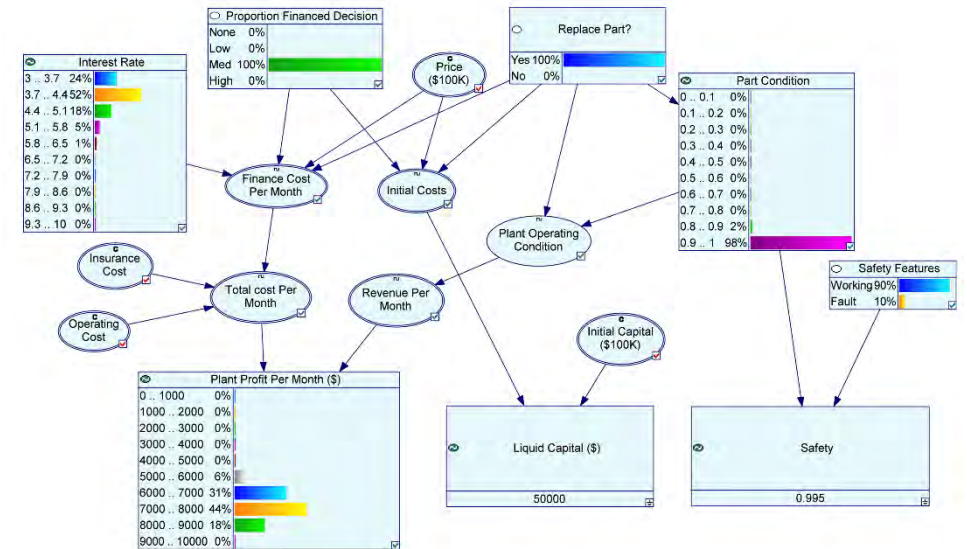
# Machine learning for risk-based decision making, command and control

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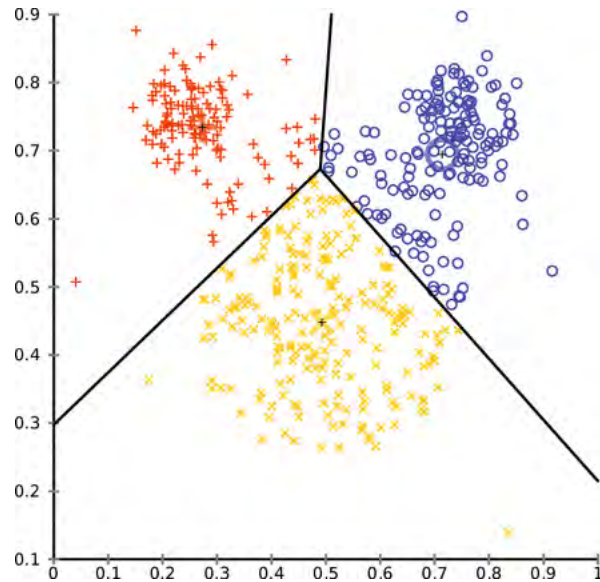
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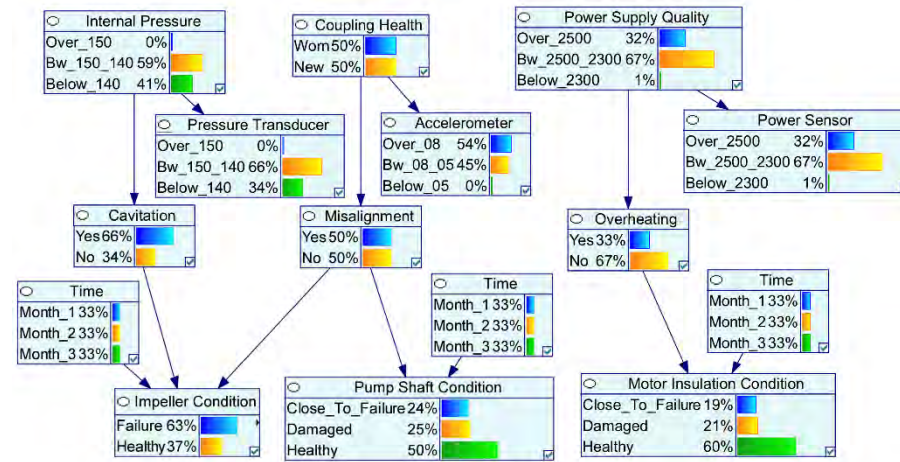
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# Our work combines data + simulations to determine faults, forecast health, and make decisions



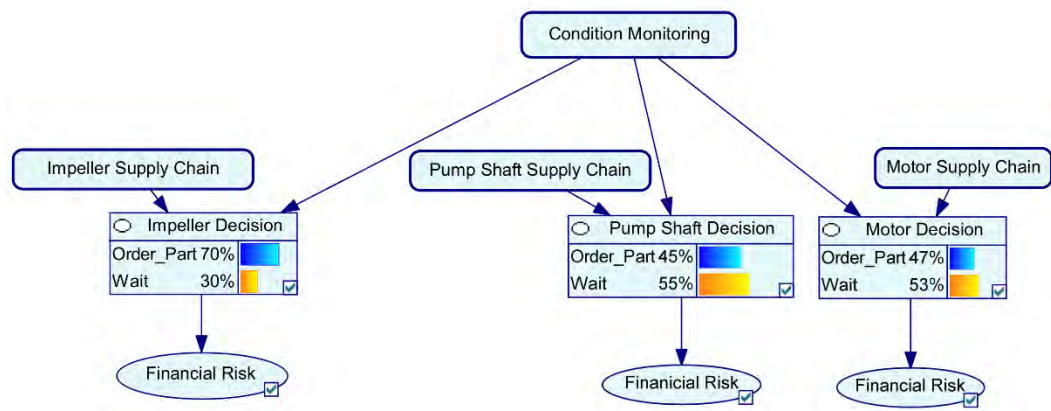
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**Anomaly detection**



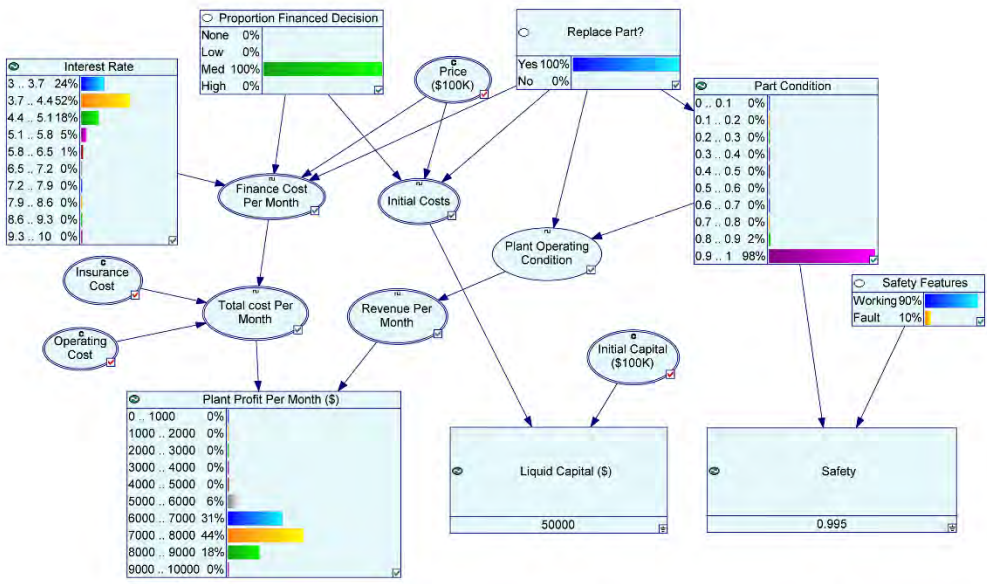
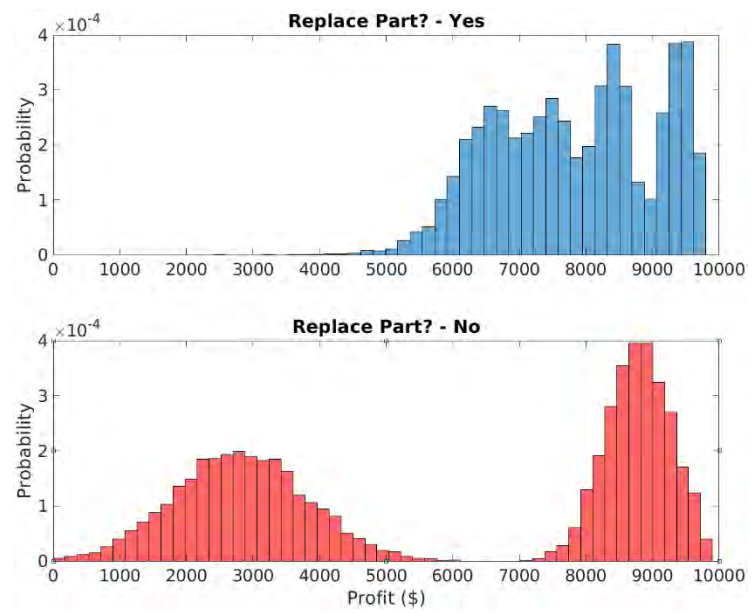
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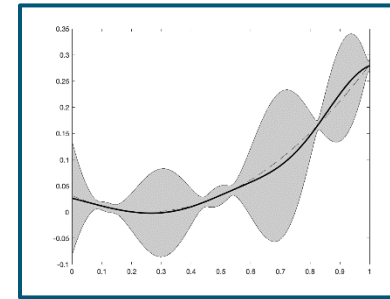
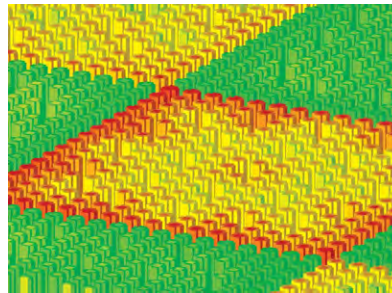
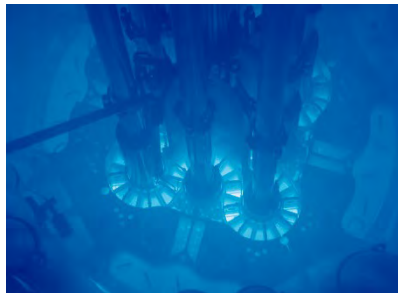
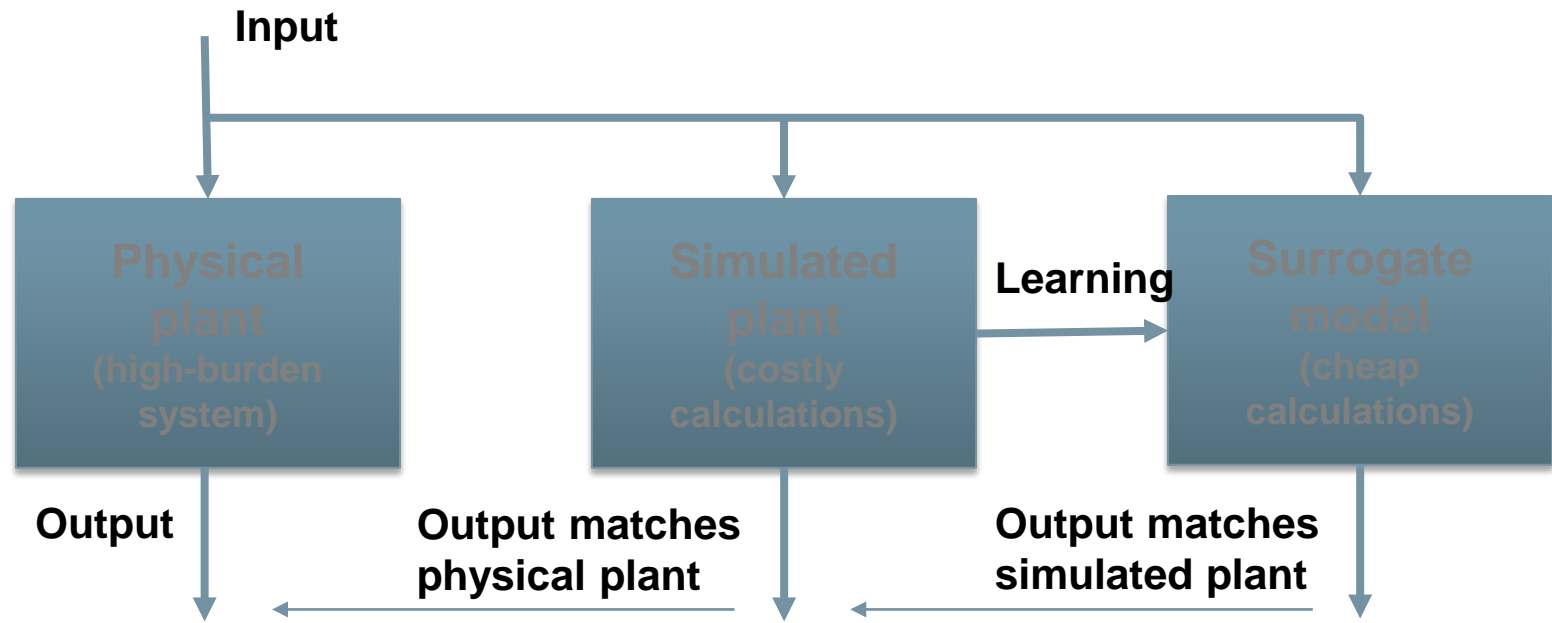
# We are integrating health monitoring, supply chain risk, and financial risk for better O&M and asset management



The health of a part can combined with resource availability make a risk-informed decision about replacing a component.

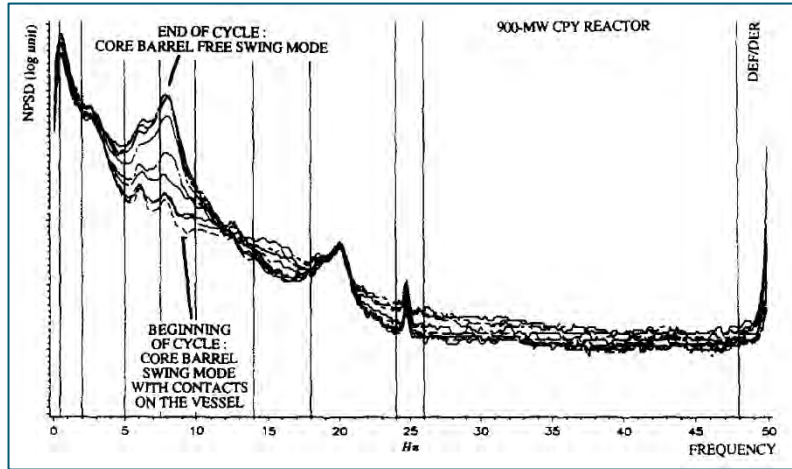


# AI + ML enable us to achieve improved real-time, risk-based command and control

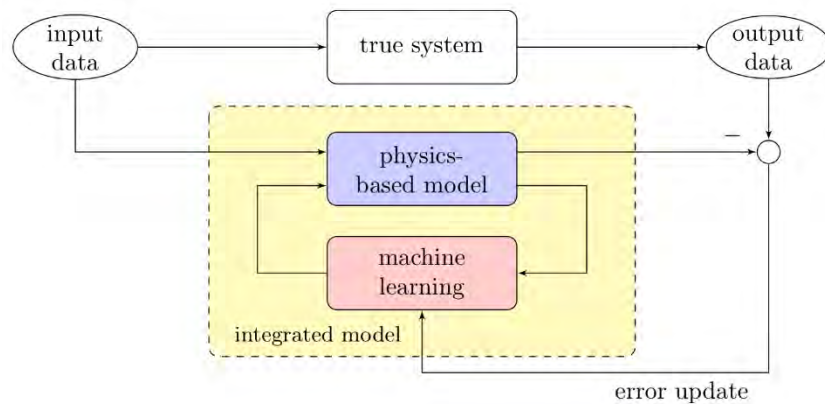




# We need methods to handle imbalanced data sets and to integrate physical models with data-driven ones

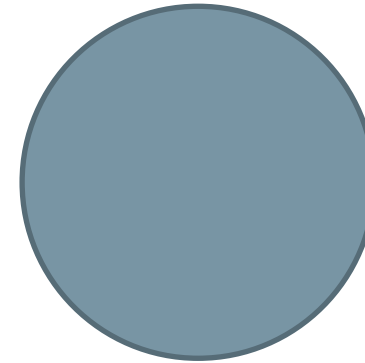


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**Hybrid models**  
Physics-based + Machine learning

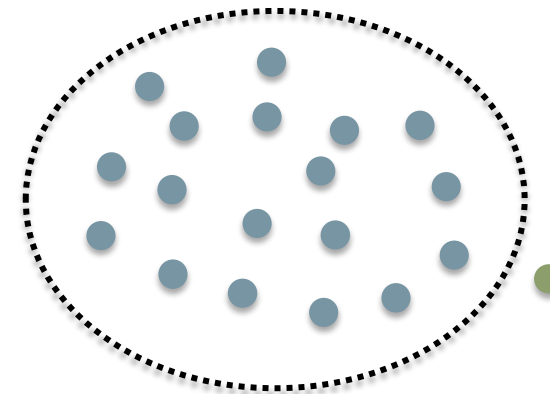
## Data Sources



Normal data



Abnormal data



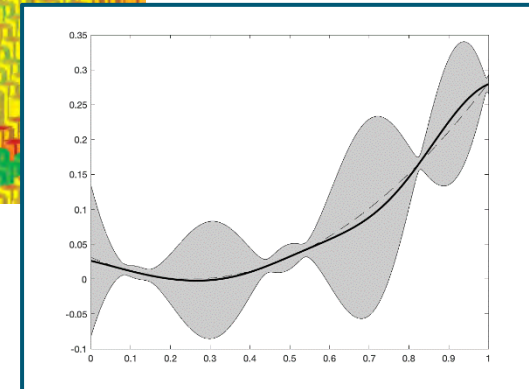
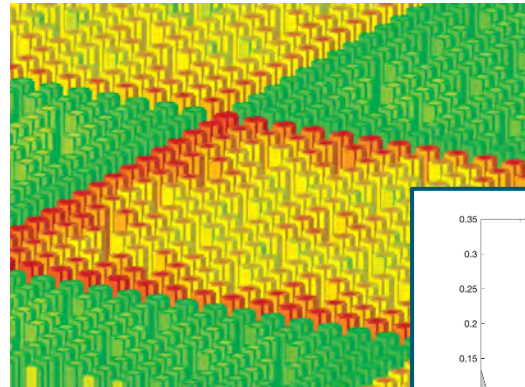
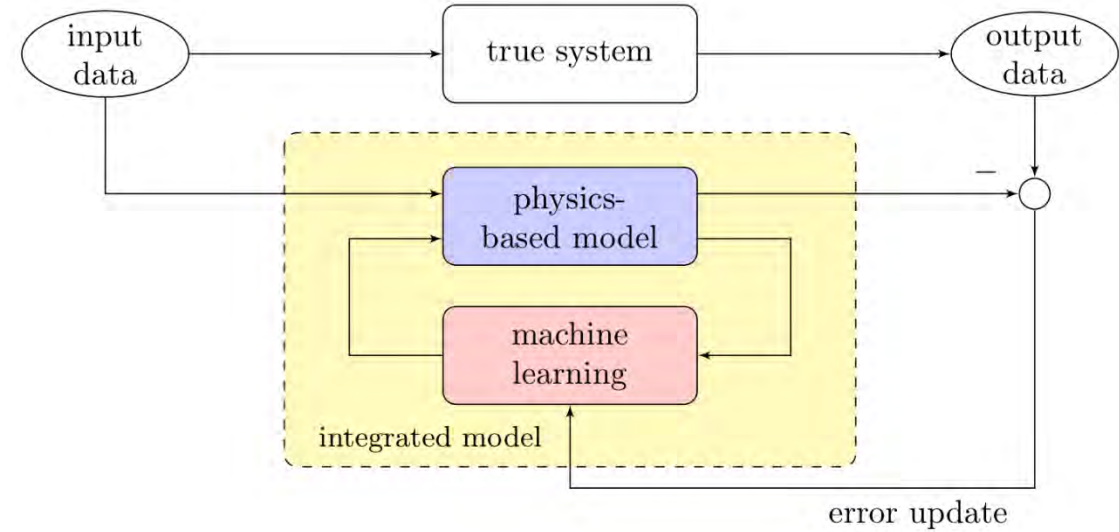
**Detecting Anomalies Classifiers**

# AI & machine learning are necessary to enable real-time, risk-based decision making, command and control

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**Title:** More Letters into the “AI” Acronym

**Overview:** An overview of new capabilities needed for the ever-increasing role of AI that will focus on “Active AI” designed to influence system operation in order to better-learn its behavior and subsequently better-optimize its operation.





# More Letters into the “AI” Acronym

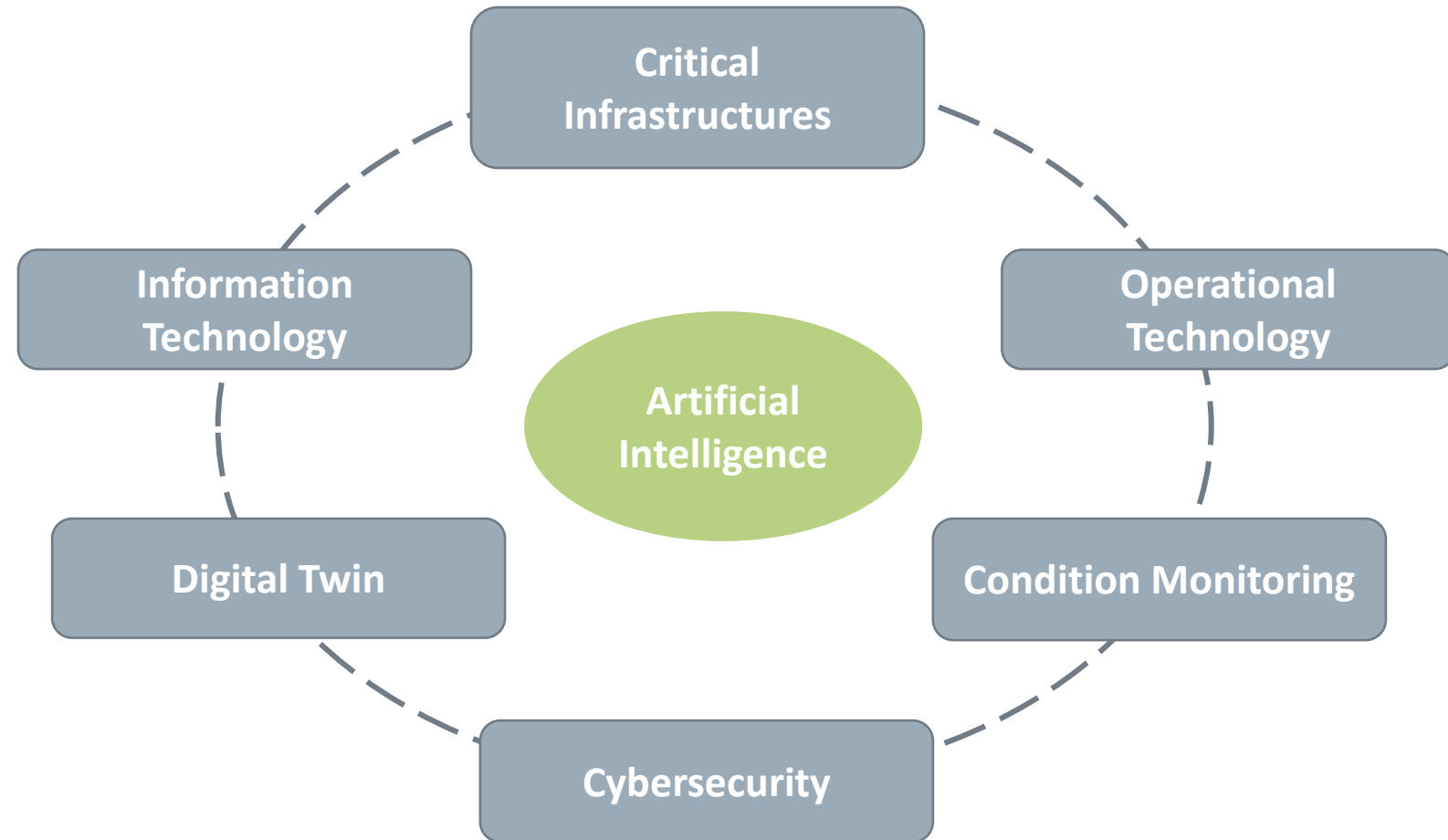
“A”: *Active*, *Adversarial*,

“C”: *Covert*, *Causal*, *etc.*

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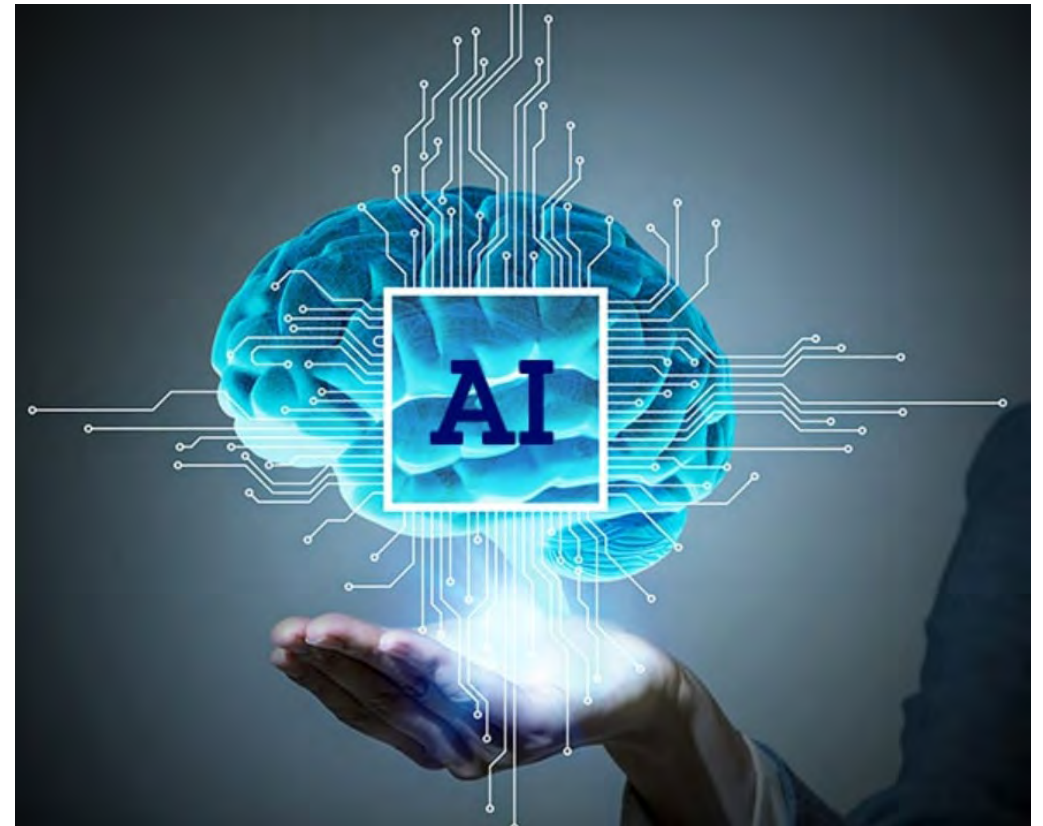
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# Artificial Intelligence

- › AI premised to emulate HI (Human Intelligence)
- › Past decade has witnessed a huge comeback for AI in almost all sectors of science and engineering, due to:
  - Massive data
  - Advanced learning algorithms
  - Powerful computers
- › Premised to render optimum, safe, secure operation for complex systems

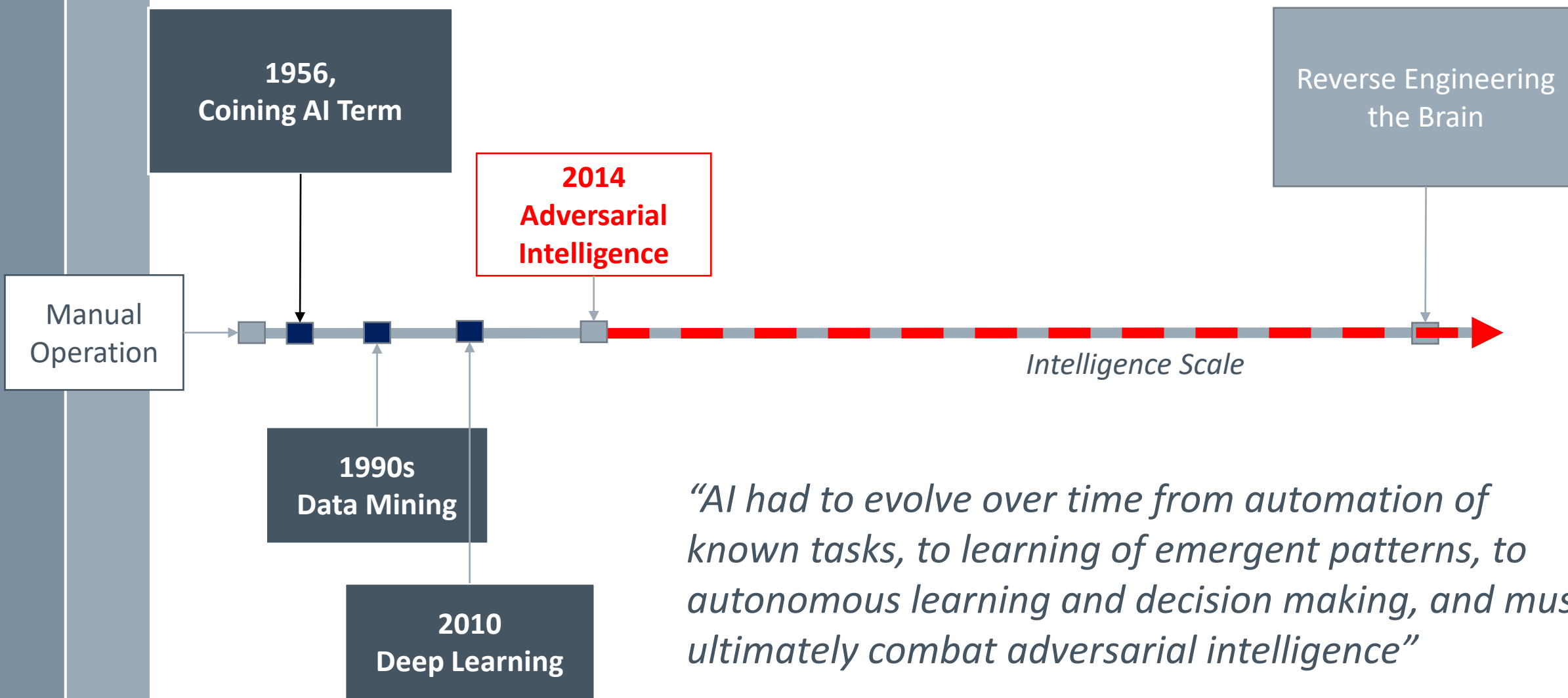


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# Towards Automating Intelligence



*"AI had to evolve over time from automation of known tasks, to learning of emergent patterns, to autonomous learning and decision making, and must ultimately combat adversarial intelligence"*

## Current AI Trends

R&D mainstream is focusing heavily on **Predictive AI**, and more recently on **Explainable AI (XAI)** and **Adversarial AI (AAI)**, and less on **Causal AI** – with *passive* application

- PAI: Discovering Association Rules
- XAI: Identifying Key Contributors to PAI
- AAI: Misleading PAI
- Causal AI: Distinguishing Cause from Effect

# My Current R&D Focus

## › Performance:

- How to optimize process control under uncharacterized sources of uncertainties?
- How to support training of computationally-intensive exercises, e.g., optimization, uncertainty analysis, etc.?

## › Safety:

- With huge data collected from operating reactors, how to derive defendable basis for inference?
- For FOAKs, how to derive “defendable” low-uncertainty estimates of key performance parameters?

## › Security:

- For well-understood industrial processes, how to design covert defenses using adversarial AI?

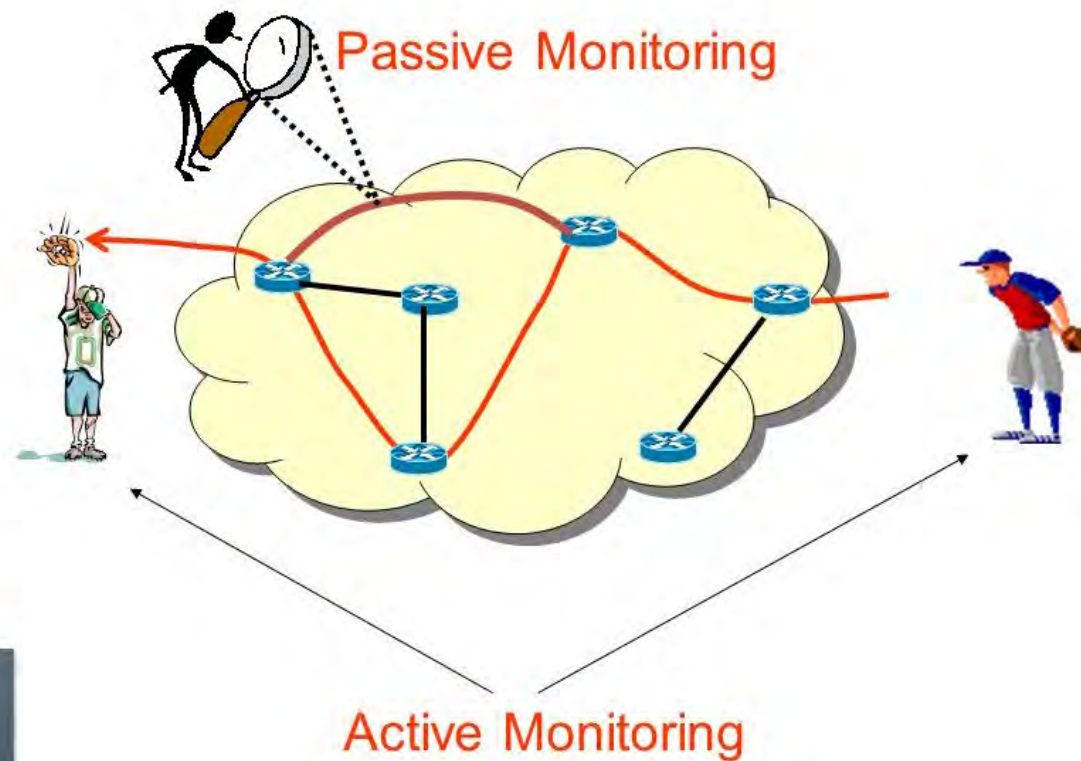
# Passive vs. Active AI

PASSIVE

Monitoring  
without  
Interfering

ACTIVE

Interfering  
for better  
Monitoring





## Active vs. Passive AI

To find out what happens to a system when you interfere with it,  
you have to interfere with it  
(not just passively observe it).

George Box,  
*"Use and Abuse of Regression," Technometrics, Nov. 1966*



# Example for Active AI Project

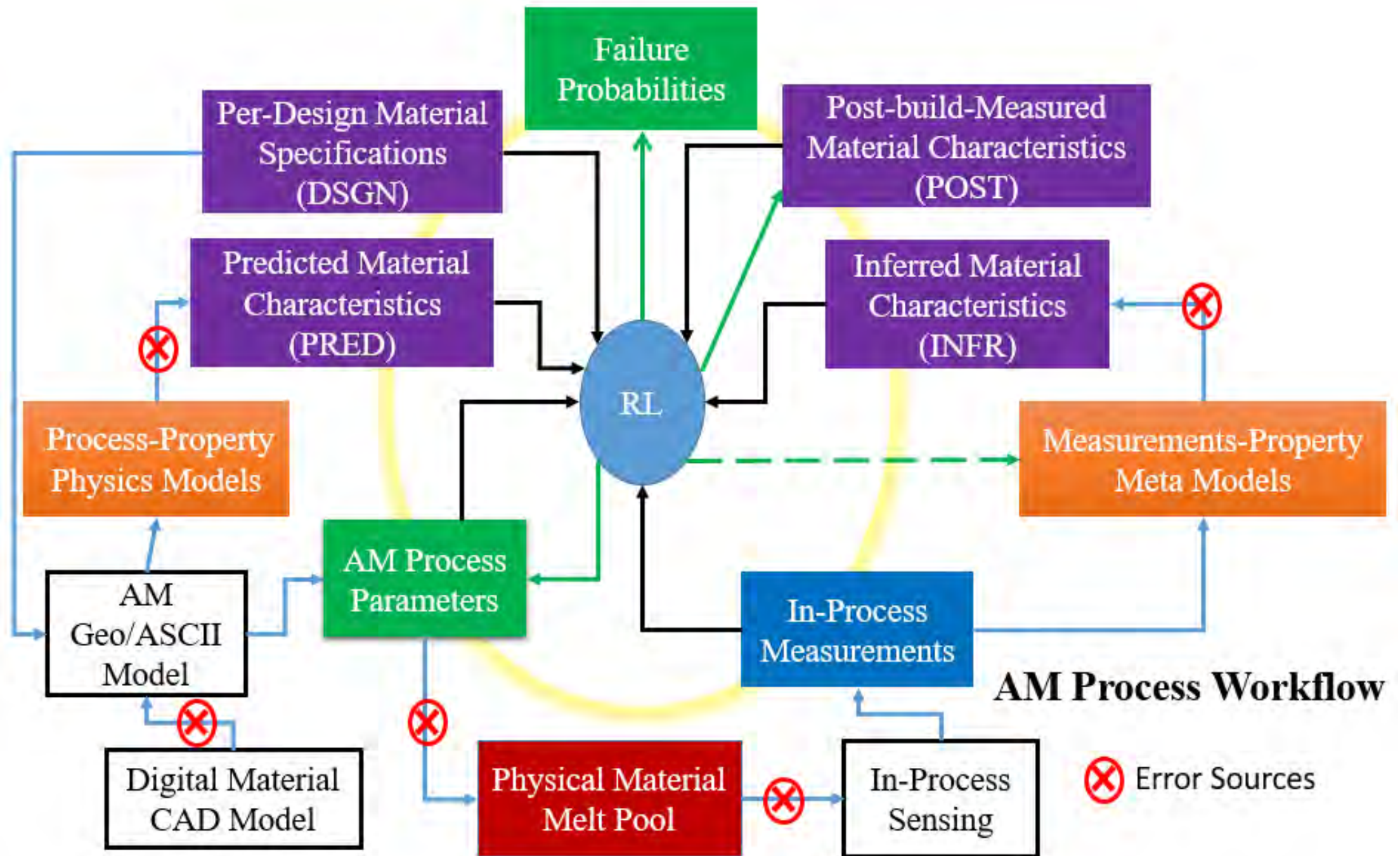
Reinforcement Learning Validation Framework for  
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# Reinforcement Learning

$$V(s) = \max_a \left( r(s, a) + \gamma \sum_{s'} p(s' | s, a) V(s') \right)$$

- › Emulates human-like reward system to optimize actions
- › Abstracts any system to live in multiple states, with actions transitioning system between states.
- › Value function serves as importance measure for states
- › Requires data-rich environment for training
- › Works best for well-understood systems with no surprises
- › Works well with model-based and pure data-driven settings.



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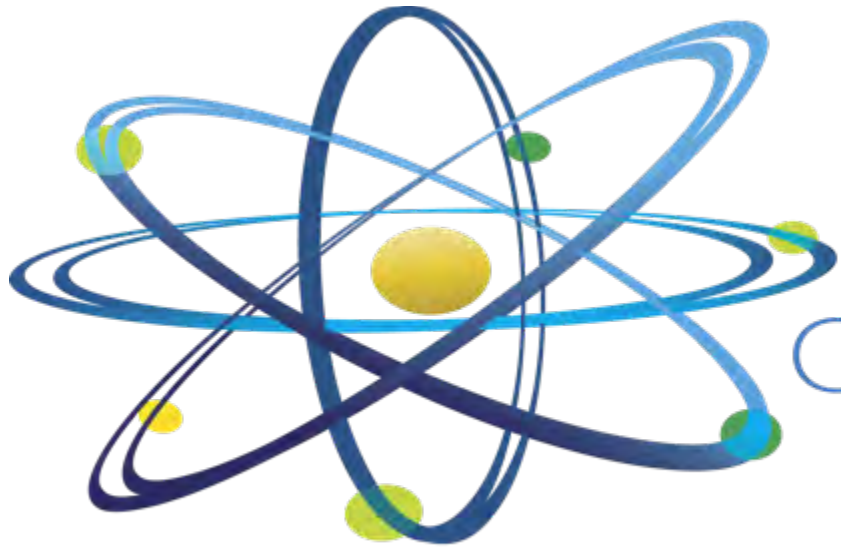
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## *Wrap Up / Next Steps*



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