



Data Analytics for Artificial Lift & Production Optimization

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Safety Moment – Dooring & Dutch Reach



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Schedule for the class – May Change!?!



	Tuesday, December 5, 2023		Wednesday, December 6, 2023
8:00 - 9:30	Safety Moment & Introductions 1. Digital Oil Field Data Explorations/Workflows 1.1. Digital Transformation and Oilfields 1.2. Key technologies for digital oilfields 1.3. Oilfield System Data Verification and Management 1.4. Data types in Production Domain 1.5. Data Processing Challenges 1.6. Data Basics: Cleaning, filtration, and regulation 1.7. Data Visualization 2. A Brief/Incomplete Primer on ML/AI 2.1. Data Science versus Data Analytics	8:00 - 9:30	RECAP from Day 1 6. Multi-Rate Transient Analysis 6.1. Problem statement, Inputs, Solution Models 6.2. Hands On Exercise 7. Review of ESP Failure Analysis 7.1. Problem statement, Inputs, Solution Models 7.2. Solution Review 8.0. Buildup from downhole gauge data
9:30 - 9:50	2.2. AI, ML and Deep Learning 2.3. Data Analytics Lifecycle 2.4. Bias-Variance-Complexity Tradeoff 2.5. Data Preparation 2.6. Model Types 2.7. Role of Domain Knowledge 2.8. Training & Evaluating Model 2.9. Toolsets 2.10. AI/ML Some Use Cases in Artificial Lift	9:30 - 9:50	BREAK
9:50 - 12:00	BREAK	9:50 - 12:00	9. Gas Lift Optimization - Single Point Gas Lift Injection 9.1. Problem statement, Inputs, Solution Models 9.2. Hands On Exercise 10. Flow Patterns & Slug Catcher Design 10.1. Problem statement, Inputs, Solution Models 10.2. Hands On Exercise
12:00 - 1:00	LUNCH	12:00 - 1:00	LUNCH
1:00 - 2:30	System Setup & Checks: Google Colab - Why do we need this? Pull datasets & codebase from Github repository 3. Rod Pump Diagnosis using Dynamometer Cards 3.1. Problem statement, Inputs, Solution Models – SPE Paper 3.2. Hands On Exercise 4. Choke Flow Rate Study 4.1. Problem, input, and output variables definition 4.2. Hands On Exercise	1:00 - 2:30	11. Review of Multi-Well Optimization - SPE Paper Study 11.1. Problem statement, Inputs, Solution Models 11.2. Solution Review 12. MultiPhase Flowmeter Model 12.1. Problem statement, Inputs, Solution Models 12.2. Hands On Exercise
2:30 - 2:50	BREAK	2:30 - 2:50	BREAK
2:50 - 4:30	5. Flow Pattern Analysis Study 5.1. Problem, input, and output variables definition 5.2. Hands On Exercise	2:50 - 4:30	13. Class Discussion - May be Exercise with your data 14. Closing Remarks
	Day Conclusion		Course Conclusion



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Instructor intro

40 years of Global Experience

- NOC, University, Software startups & Service Companies.
- Independent consultant/advisor to Operators and Service Companies.
- Multi-phase flow, artificial lift, production surveillance & optimization.
- Three US patents and a few published papers.
- Current focus on ML/AI applications in production & facilities, Methane Emission Reduction, Workforce Competencies.


Expert Presenter/Teacher

- Twice SPE distinguished lecturer '15-'16 & '18-'19.
- Courses/seminars presented in 35+ countries for SPE, and others.
- Graduate courses taught at four US universities.

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1.0. Digital Oil Field – Data Explorations and some Workflows


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Outline



- Digital Transformation and Oilfields
- What, How, Why, When of digital oilfield projects
- Data types in Production Domain & Artificial Lift
- Data Processing Challenges
 - Data Basics: Cleaning, filtration, and regulation
- Data Visualization



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Digital Transformation is Accelerating... Enabler Digital Oilfield...

2010 Presentations

- “up to 25% savings in OPEX, up to 8% higher production rates, 2-4% lower project costs, and as much as 6% improved resource recovery within the first full year of deployment...”¹
- BP-Valhalla, Field of the Future*: Production increase > 1.5 MM BOE/year²
- Shell: “10% **sustained** improvement in production, 5-10% increase in recovery, 20% reduction in OPEX, and 75% reduction in workflow cycle times in core processes.”³

Sources:

1. IHS-CERA, Chevron's Next magazine, Issue 5: <http://bit.ly/29rFpg8>
2. BP's Field of the Future, <http://on.bp.com/29EwtHq>
3. Deloitte, Unearthing the potential of digital oilfield technology, <http://bit.ly/29waG44>

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Problems facing operators: Day-to-day operational questions

Operator

- Are my wells / equipment delivering per plan?
- Any hurdles/problems I need to prepare and plan for?
- Any impending failures so that I can plan?
- Which lease operating costs are eating my profitability?

Production Engineer

- How do I meet my delivery target today? What are my problem areas?
- Where are my maintenance crews?
- How do I achieve this? Are all the wells running? Is the compressor fouling?

Reservoir Engineer

- What are my water injection problems? What wells should we test?
- What are my production forecasts?

Pipeline Engineer

- What do I need to inject for corrosion, hydrates, etc?
- Where are my bottlenecks? Which pipelines can we pig?

Asset Manager

- How are the operators running efficiently?
- What are the operating envelopes for the compressors?
- Do we need hydrate or waxing inhibition?
- What's the export specification?

Health, Safety & Environment

- Where are my leaks?
- Am I on target against emission and flaring quotas?

- Production forecast? Are we meeting our production quotas?
- Which installations and activities are causing production deferrals?
- Safety of my people? Environmental issues???
- Can I put in place all the best practices on a sustaining basis???

Source: Edwards T, SPE Webinar 09/2017, DO in Business, <https://tinyurl.com/y4amup8z>

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1.1. What, Why, When, How of the digital oilfield projects


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What is Digital Oilfield (DOF)?



- ‘The vision for the Digital Oil Field is one where operators, partners, and service companies seek to take advantage of improved data and knowledge management, enhanced analytical tools, real-time systems, and more efficient business processes’

IHS CERA: Digital Oil Field of the Future
- What is enabled by DOF?
 - Moving to a real time or near real time way of working
 - Connection of one or more remote sites or teams to work together
 - Moving to more multidiscipline way or working
 - Value chain integration and optimization

‘How we run our companies in the future’



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DOF for Artificial Lift & Production

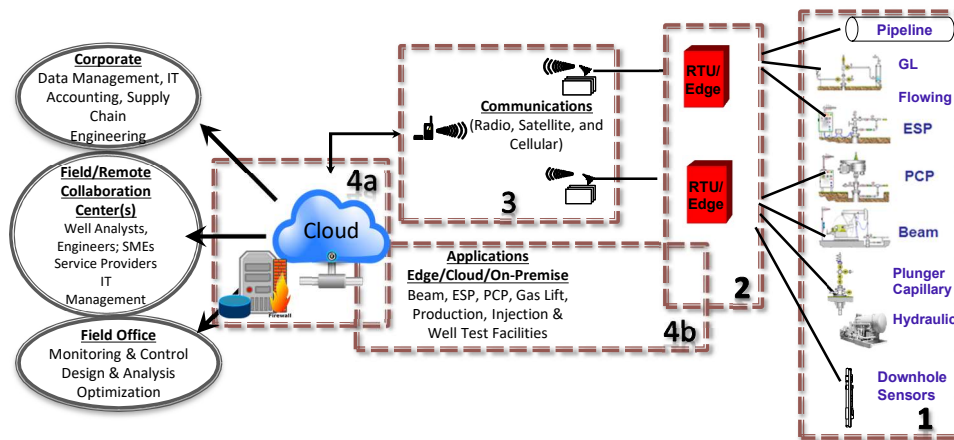


Image Source: Weatherford

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Overall Framework

1. **SENSE:** Instrumentation + automation at the well head & field facilities
2. **COMMUNICATE:** Remote monitoring and control of field instruments
3. **STORE:** Localized and remote/cloud-based data stores & access
4. **ANALYZE:**
 - Data Analytics@ EDGE/ Cloud / On Premise
 - Data preprocessing: Validation & cleaning; Machine learning
 - Modeling of wells, subsurface, surface network, production plant
 - Optimization software for artificial lift solutions
 - Integration with other systems for reservoir, completion, well test, drilling, etc.
 - Data driven approaches
 - Visualizations, Dashboards
5. **DECIDE:** Collaborative Environments

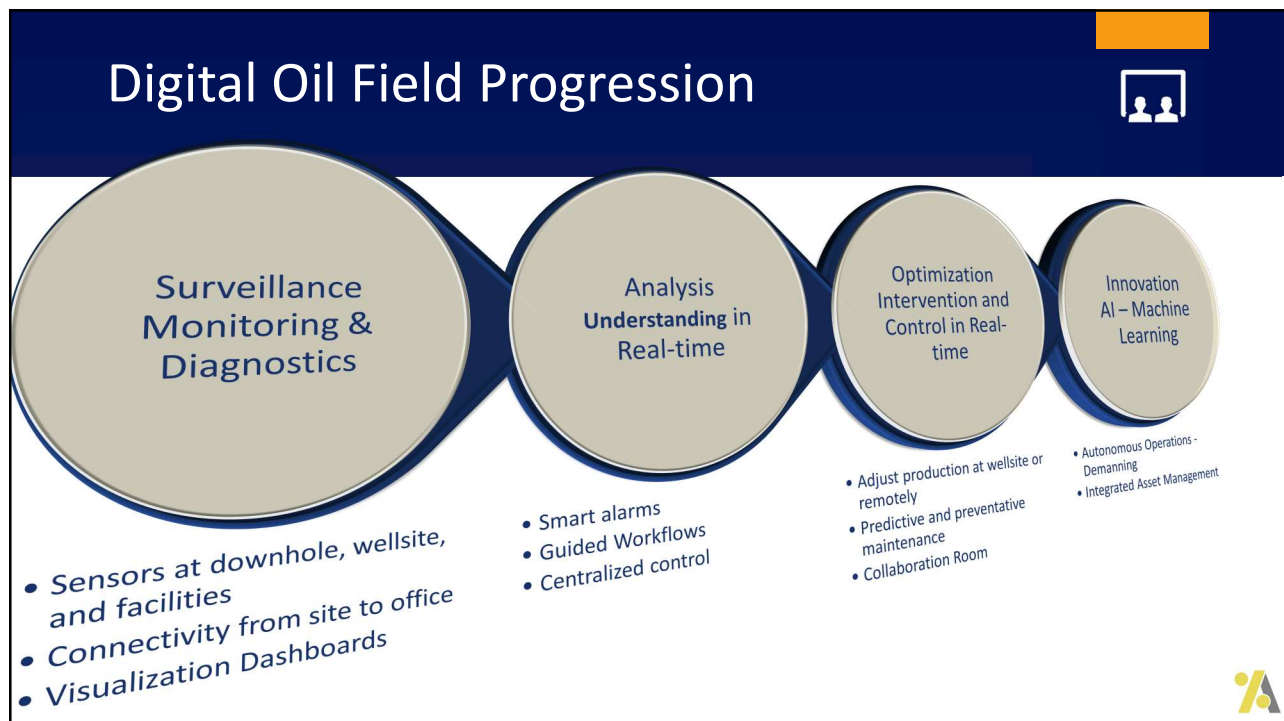
This framework requires full IT & OT (Operations Technology) support

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1.0. Digital Oil Field – Data Explorations & some Workflows

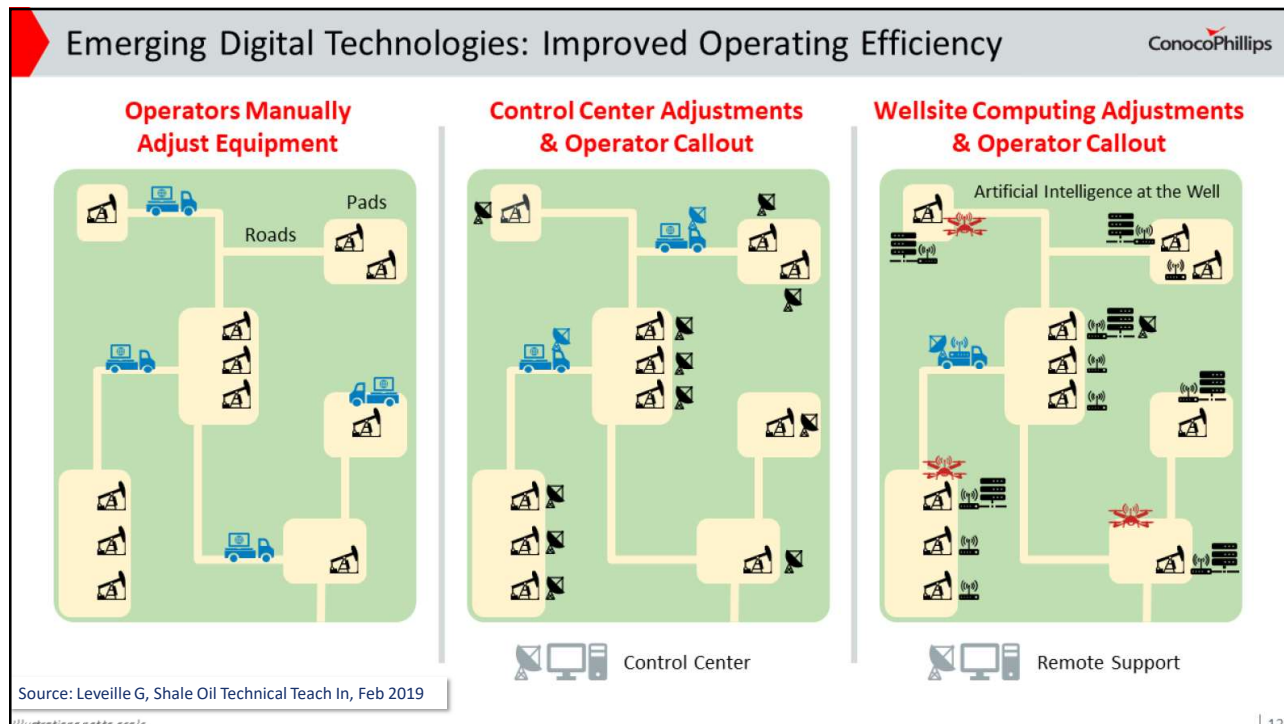
<div> <div></div> <div>Opportunities to improve Production Operations using Data</div> <div></div> </div>		
Best Practice	Functional Capabilities	Benefits/Business Case
Exception-Based Predictive Surveillance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor volumes and rates by well, reservoir, facilities, route, lift type, etc. by shift/daily/weekly/monthly/quarterly • Trend Production, target and deviation with event history • Generate multilevel notifications based on operations-driven thresholds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage well proactively for faster decisions • Identify problem wells in real time • Monitor deviations from targets • Analyze production issues in context • Diagnose operating issues • Improve communications
Well Target Setting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visualization of production history and trends • Identification of production cycles based on surface constraints • Modified decline curve analyses • Monitor deviations, target history and field operations to identify revised targets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More realistic target setting based on access to well production history and operating constraints • Targets refreshed per business requirements
Tracking and Optimize Uplift	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Track jobs related to well production enhancement (e.g. workover) • Monitor before/after production (and forecast) • Access comparative effectiveness by job/well 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation and Comparison of workover benefit by well, type of job, type of well, well grouping • Cost-benefit economic analysis
Facilities Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define operating envelope for separators, tanks, compressors, pumps, etc • Establish thresholds based on changing operating conditions • Dynamically determine time to capacity (or other limits) based on real-time operations; Generate operator notification 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimize curtailment/shut-in due to unavailability of equipment and/or facilities • Improve QHSE
Source: Chris Lenzsch, EMC ² http://bit.ly/1Onql7P		

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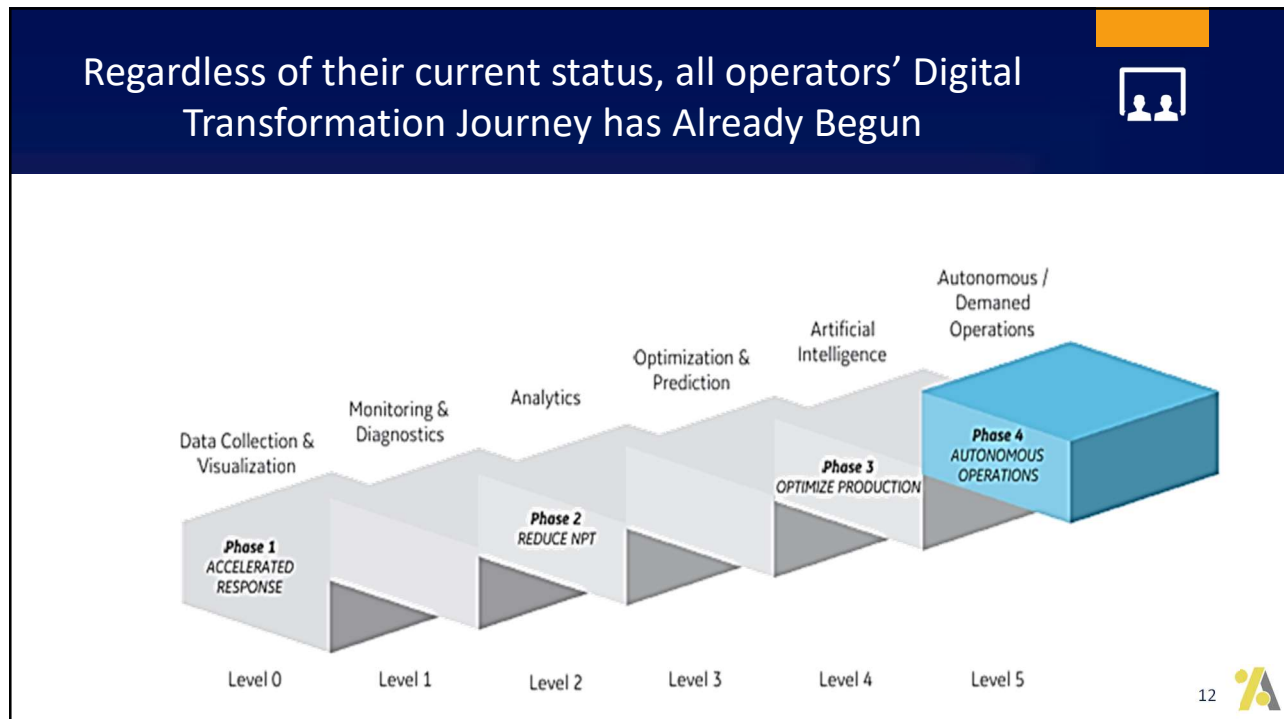


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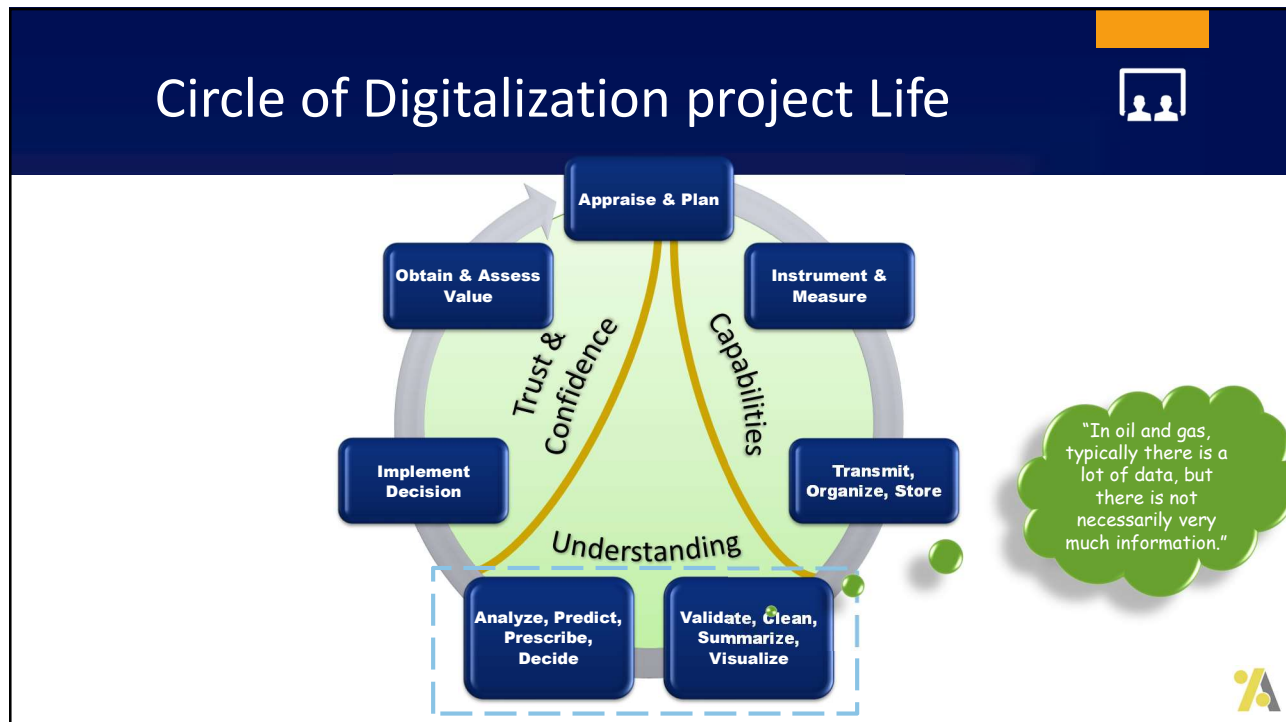
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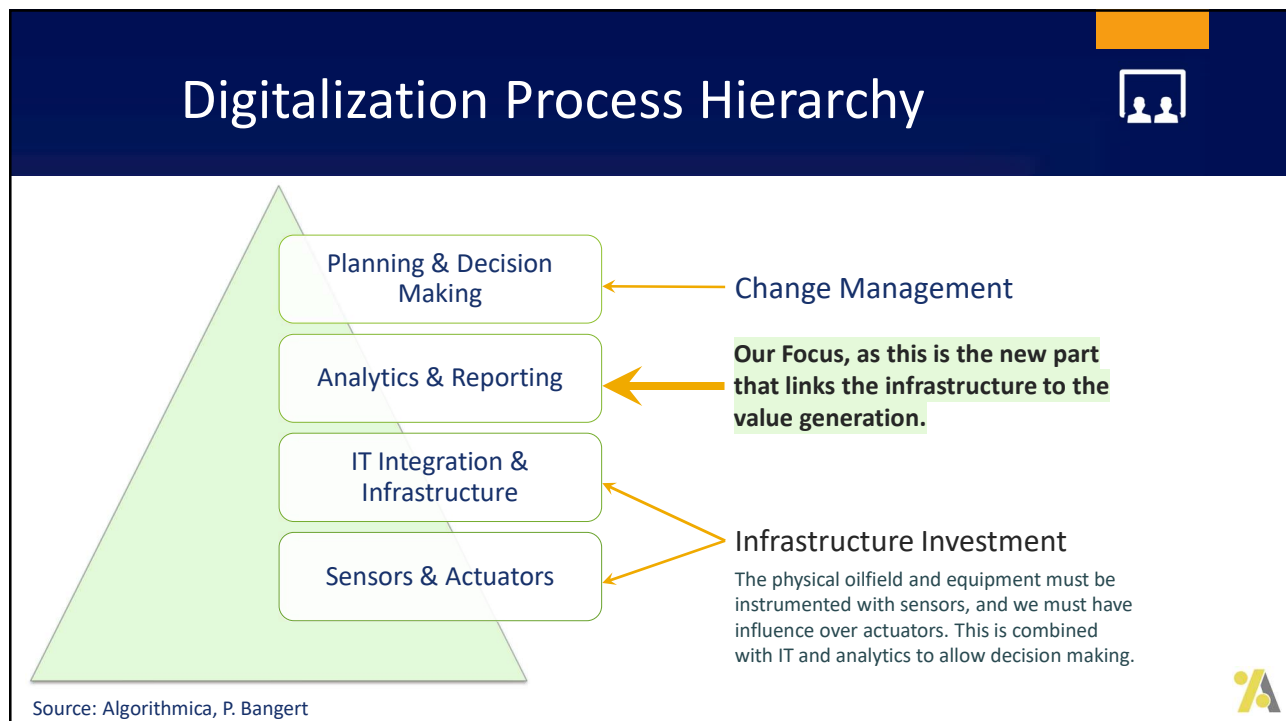
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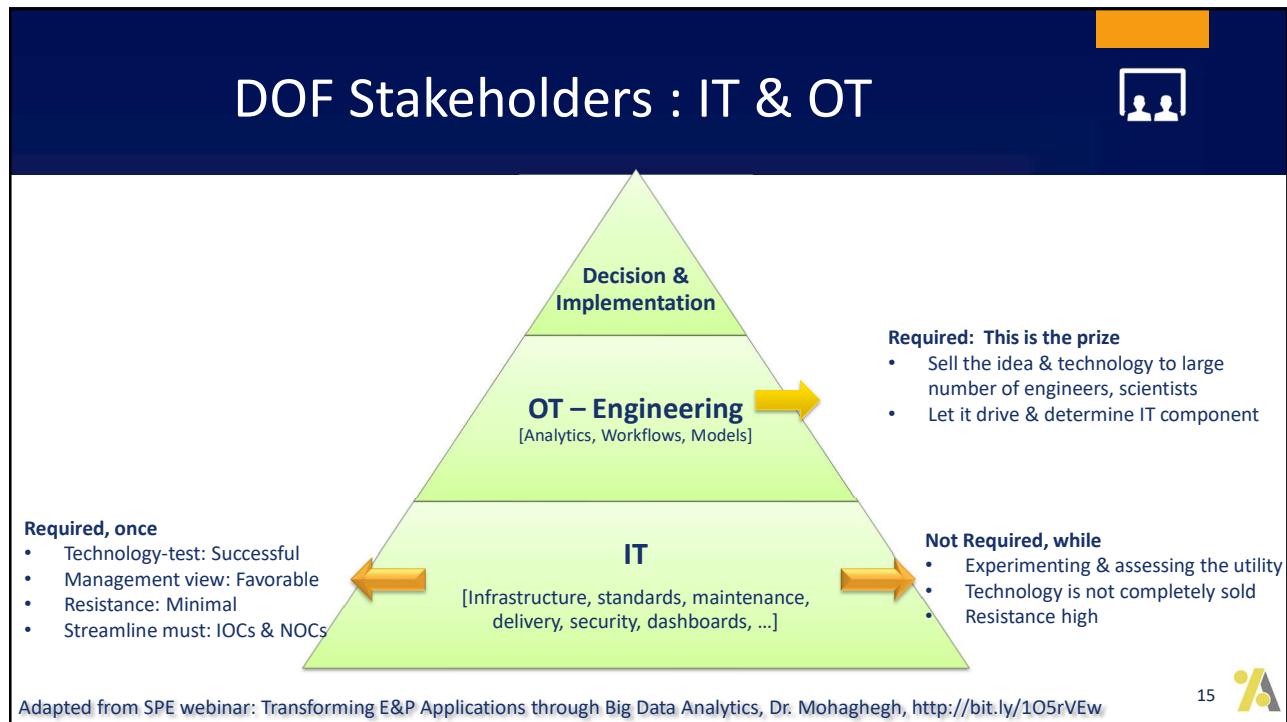
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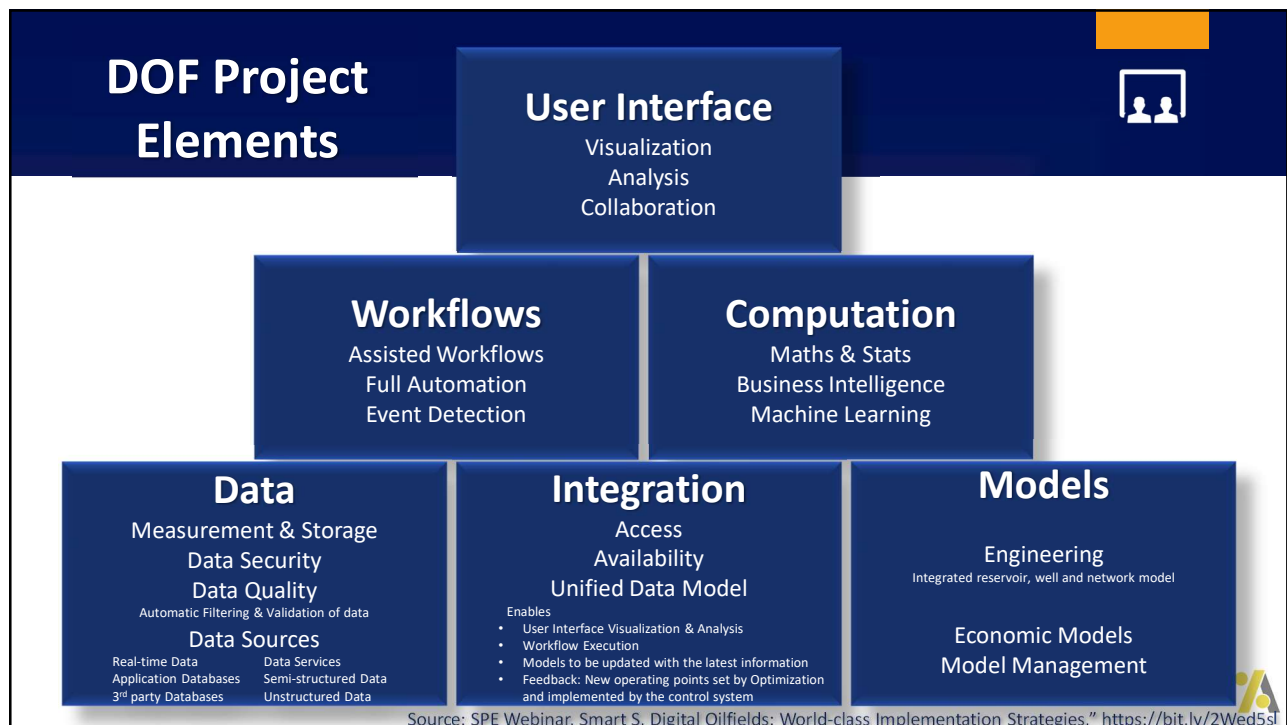
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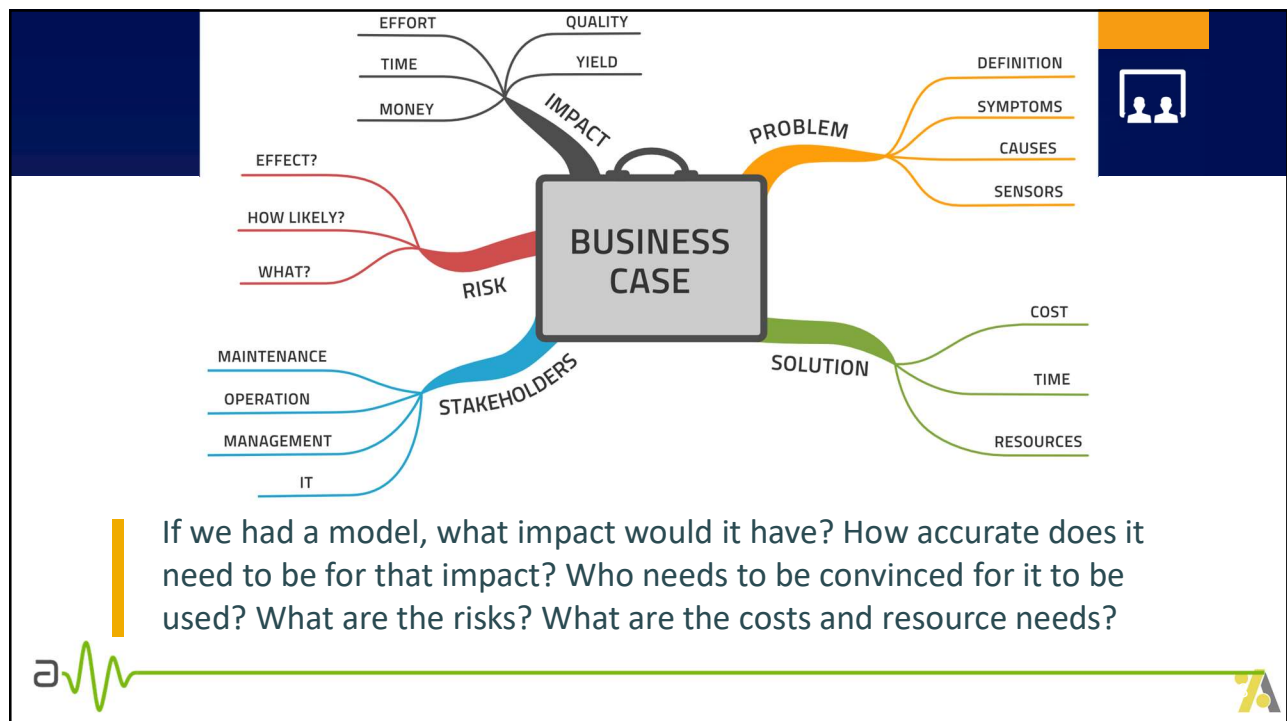
Do first things first.... Formulate Business Case







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	Budget Approval	Decision / Enabler	Participant	Obstacle
Management				
Operations				
Maintenance				
Engineering				
IT				

In order to develop the solution and to get it operational, which people need to decide, enable, use, participate in the project and product? What is their interest in or against this?

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Important: Cyber Security Threat Considerations



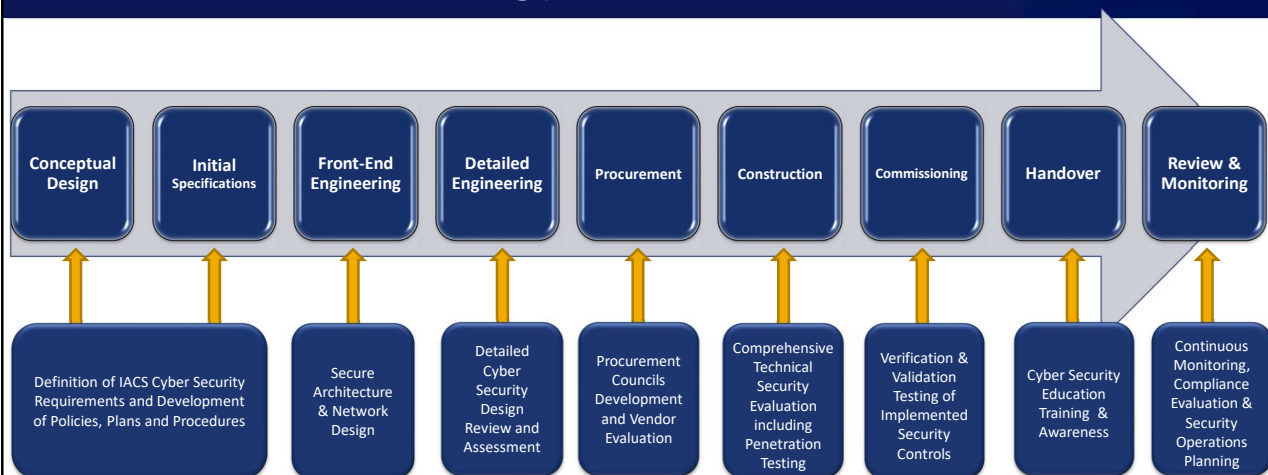
- It goes beyond Virus Spread, Data and/or Computer Damage, or even Data Stealing.
- Think of
 - Hijacking device or entire field infrastructure → Loss of Control
 - Reporting and/or registering fake information for custody transfer → Loss of Revenues from Production
 - Unsafe field device setting → Injury or fatality or environmental incident or damage to critical infrastructure
 - Increasing pressures in pipeline or wellbores
 - Out of range speeds for rotating or moving machinery
 - Untimely opening/closing a motorized valve

Source: SPE Webinar, Al Issa I, "Protecting the Digital Oil Field from the Emerging Cyber Threats," <http://bit.ly/28Tj4wJ>



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Must build Security into the full lifecycle of DOF

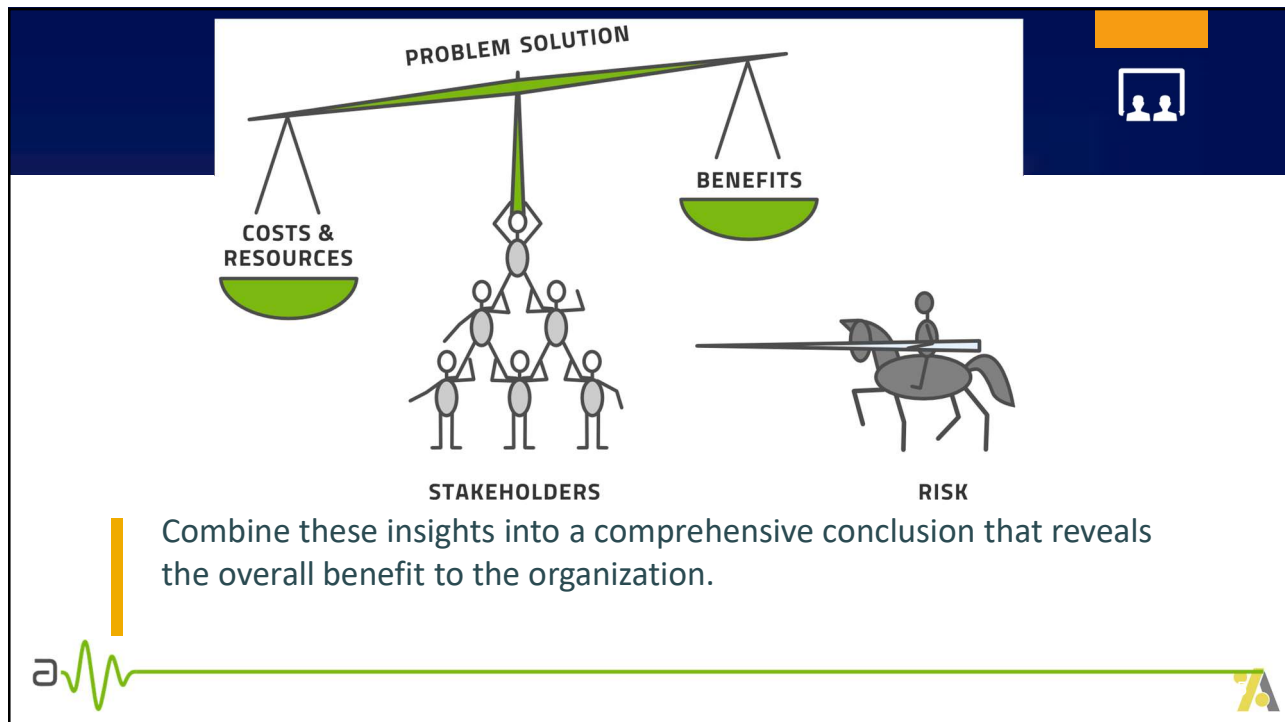


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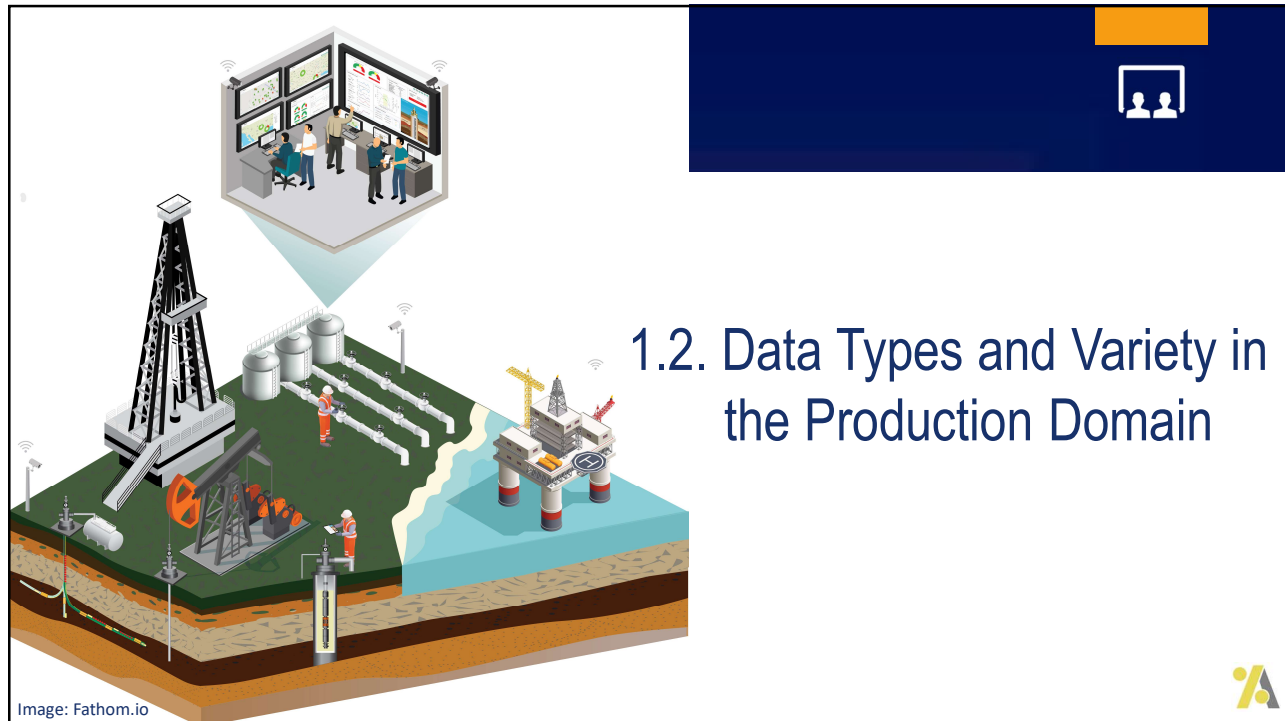
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Lessons Learned

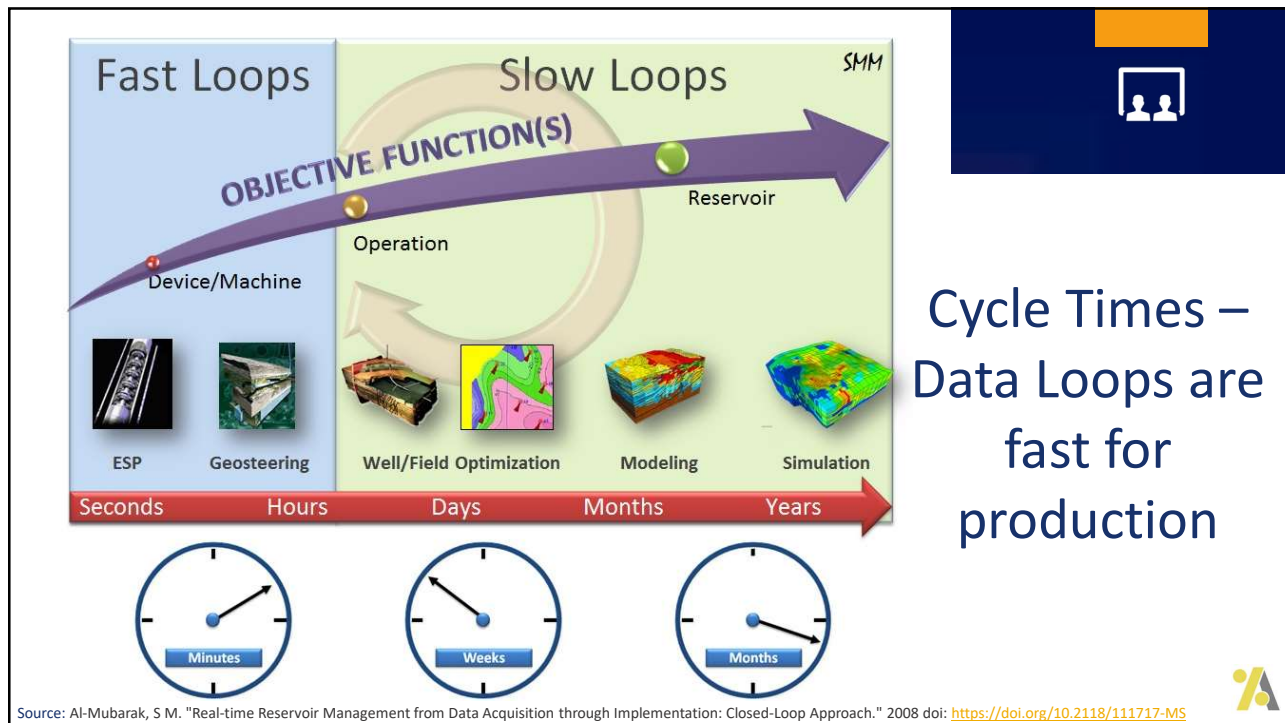
- **Investment**
 - In sensors is significant
 - In software is small
 - Software creates ROI
- **People**
 - Everyone must support and agree
 - Change management is important
- **Integration**
 - Effort is spent integrating IT systems
 - Departments must be integrated in expectations
- **Effort**
 - Mostly integration/organization
 - Some domain knowledge
 - Little data science
- **Conclusions**
 - There is much more to a data science project than data science!
 - It is not necessary for operators to have dedicated data science software developers – rather knowledgeable persons to organize, and manage the project and domain knowledge

TRY FAIL SUCCESS

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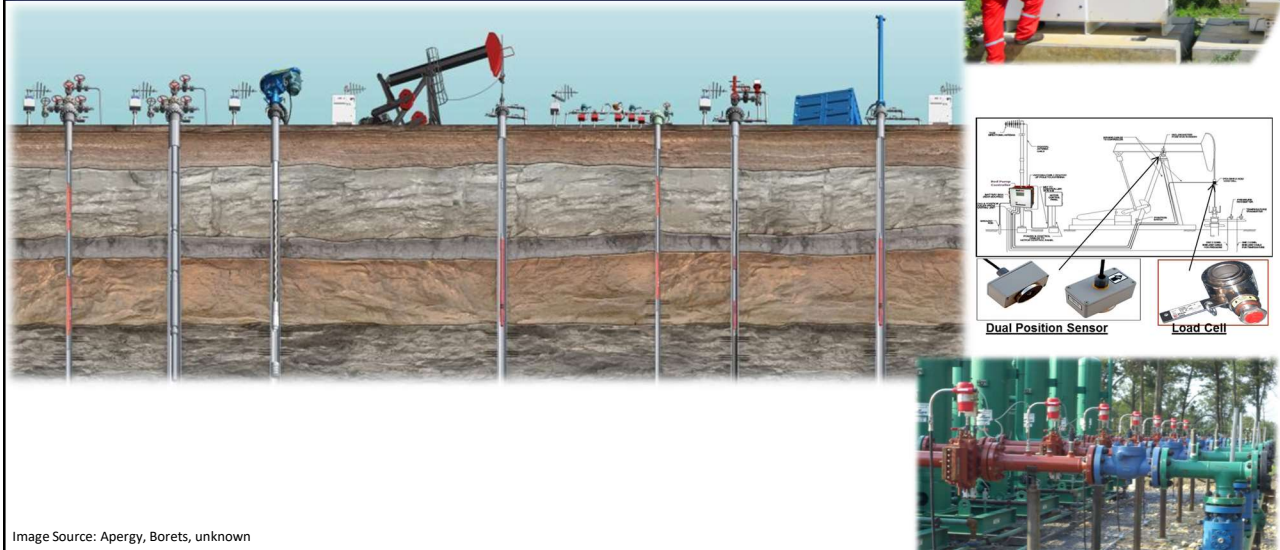


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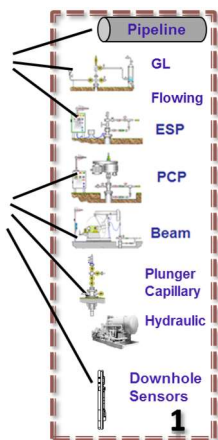
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SENSE: Field Instrumentation – Surface Sensors, Meters

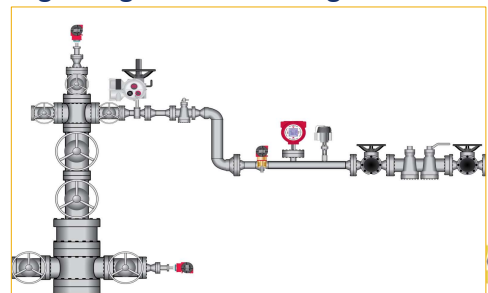


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SENSE: Field Instrumentation – Surface Devices



- Wells, flow lines and process measurement & control
 - **Pressure, temperature, P/T-differentials, load, position, torque, speed, vibration, corrosion/erosion rate, liquid level, water cut, gas/liquid flow rates, noise, visuals, etc., to analog or digital electrical signals**

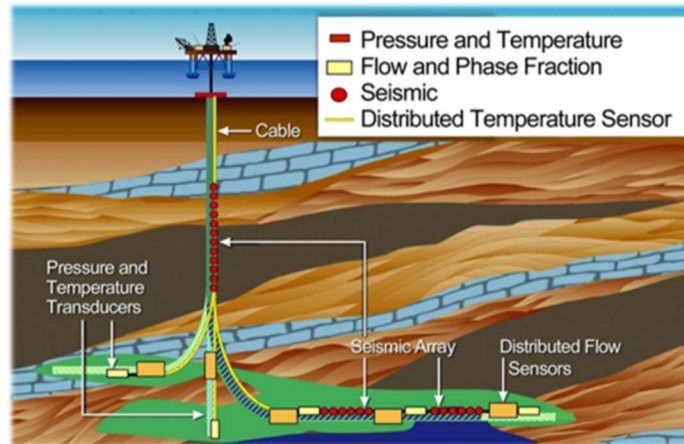


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SENSE: Field Instrumentation – Subsurface Sensors



- Permanent down-hole electronic or quartz gauges
 - Pressure, temperature, and vibration sensing using a Single conductor cable
- **Fiber Optics** technology
 - Distributed temperature sensing (DTS), readings every 0.5 meter
 - Distributed Acoustic Sensing
 - Pressure, temperature, flow, and seismic sensing using 1 to 4 fibers per cable
 - Higher quantity of measurement points; High volume of data generated
- Gauges can be multiplexed on the cable



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SENSE & EXECUTE: Field Instrumentation – Wellsite Controllers, VFDs, Data Loggers



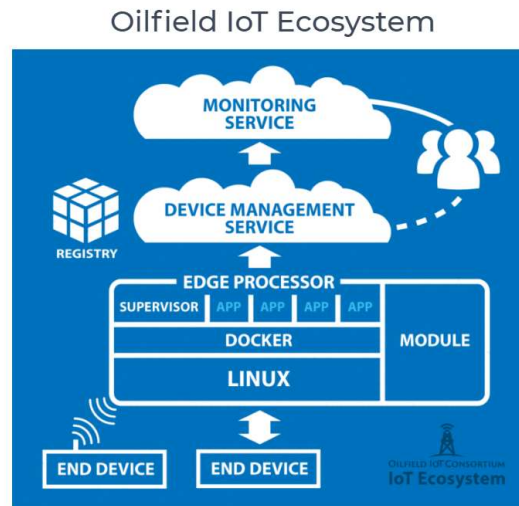
- Located close to well in a non-hazardous area with local display and operation.
- Connectivity to field hubs including data stores
 - Real-time data monitoring and transmittal to SCADA system
 - Remote management and adjustment of operating parameters
 - Slave-Master configurations (Internet of Things)
- Smart devices exhibit some autonomy based on measurements and built-in logic
 - Detect triggers and exercise control
 - Shut down if a pre-set limit violated
 - Auto-restart after a shutdown
 - Speed changes or Choke adjustment in response to changing well or surface conditions.



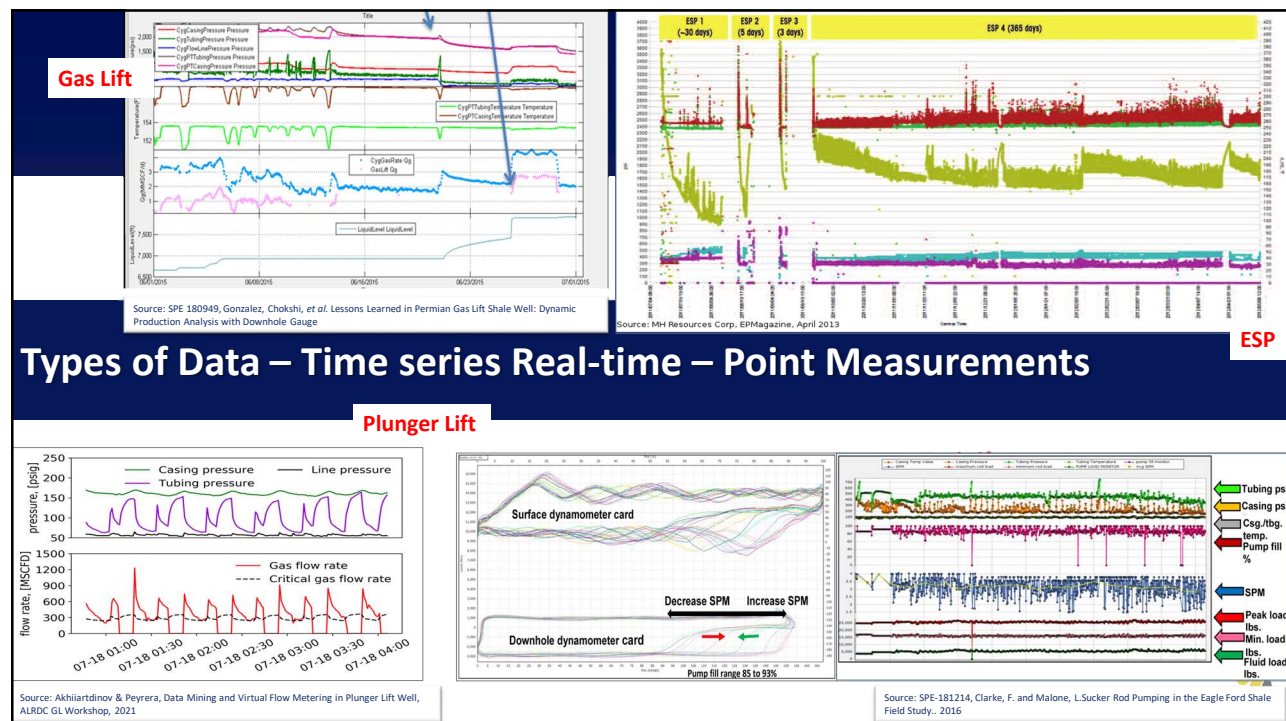
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SENSE, STORE, EXECUTE, COMMUNICATE: Edge Devices

- Aggregate multiple devices to gain insight and perform more advanced control at site
- Open the door to high frequency data sampling for Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence



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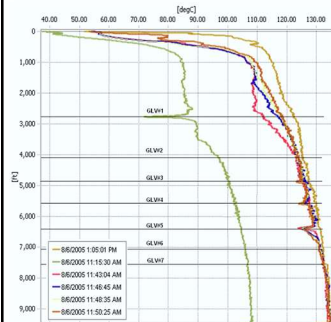


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Types of Data: High Volume Time series Data – DTS, DAS

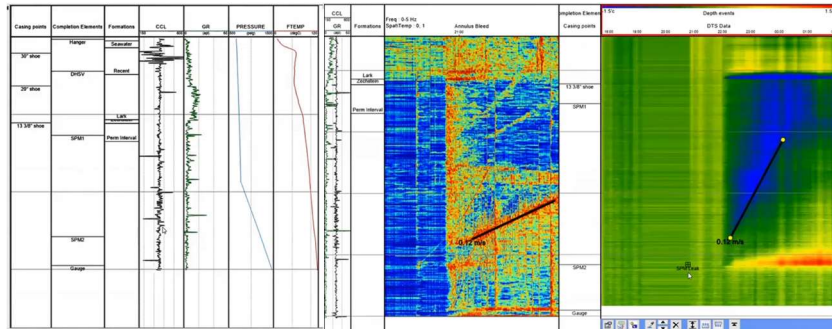


Slickline DTS to diagnose badly slugging Gas-lift well in Dubai



Source: Kumar SK, Dubai Petroleum, Gas Lift Diagnostics Using Distributed Temperature Sensor (DTS) System on Slick line, ALRDC 2007 Gas-lift Workshop

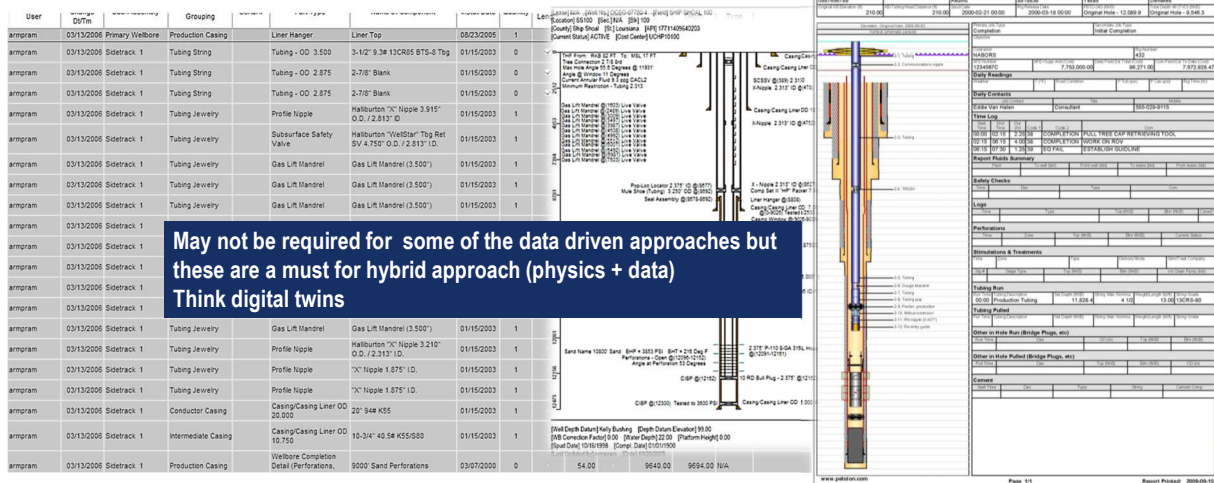
DTS + DAS for Packer / GLV Leak in North Sea



Source: Webster, M, Integration of DAS, DTS and conventional data Sep 2020, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rh4RwjhFAA>

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Types of Data – Discrete events: Production, injection, well completion, reservoir, PVT, well activities, equipment changeovers, workovers,



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Data to Solve Artificial Lift Challenges					
RRL	ESP	Gas-Lift	PCP	Plunger Lift	Production Data
Casing/Tubing/Line P, T PR Load, Displacement SPM Motor Amp, Voltage Stuffing Box level Fluid level Pumping Unit, Pump, Rods, Motor Specs	Casing/Tubing/Line P, T Pump Intake P, T Pump Discharge P, T Frequency/Speed Amp, Voltage Vibration I, V Imbalance I Leakage Fluid level Pump, Motor, VSD, Cable, Transformer, Power source Specs	Casing/Tubing/Line P, T Surface Gas Inj Rate Manifold Pressures Gradient Surveys Fluid Level GL valves' location specs, Inj Choke specs Valve performance	Casing/Tubing/Line P, T Speed/Frequency Pump Intake P, T Pump Discharge P, T Surface Flowrate Motor Amp, Voltage Motor Torque Fluid Level Pump, Motor, VSD, Power Source specs	Casing/Tubing/Line P, T Plunger arrival Gas Flow rate	Well Test, Choke Settings Well Config Reservoir PI/IPR Service Records Workover Records Teardown/DIFA Startup/shutdown data Facilities Status Injection (Corrosion, Surfactant)
Controller settings <u>Less Common</u> : Downhole gauge for GL, RRL, Plunger <u>Rarely Available</u> : DTS, DAS, Multiphase Flow Meter Measurement					

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DATA MANAGEMENT

All the Ways Bad Data Is Holding You Back

Whether inconsistent, incomplete, ambiguous, or just plain wrong, bad data is a big barrier to digital transformation.

May 31, 2023 • Engineering.com • Data Science and Digital Engineering

1.3. Data Processing Challenges



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Implementation Caution : Field Realities



Data is not always what it seems: Need validation layer before analysis

Quality & Quantity Issues

- Key Measurements are missing; e.g., flow rate, pressure
- Measurements do not coordinate with each other; upstream << downstream pressure
- Measurements do not correspond to a physical model; Negative/Out of range Value, Flat-lined data, data clipping, outliers, discontinuities, repeated values.

Causes

- Older Field infrastructure
 - Analogue/old instrumentation conversion and need for new sensors
 - Communication: GSM/radio issues, cable/no cable, Bandwidth on GSM satellite. Line-of-sight
 - Legacy Data formats.. Non-Digital Archives
- Lack of information for some time intervals: loss of signal / data maintenance
- Malfunctioning measurement devices: Calibration
- Human errors in captures: Wrong records of equipment/ assets: wrong location / model



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Incomplete Data & Bias in Models



- Incomplete data can lead to bias in AI
 - **Bias makes it challenging to develop AI that works for everyone.**
- No AI system is complex enough, nor dataset deep enough, to represent and understand humanity in all its diversity.



For example, if you were teaching AI to recognize shoes and only showed it imagery of sneakers, it wouldn't learn to recognize high heels, sandals or boots as shoes.

Source: "Making sense of artificial intelligence," <https://atozofai.withgoogle.com/intl/en-GB/bias/>



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1.3.1. Basic System for Cleaning, Filtration, Alarm & Regulation

- Flat-lined data
- Data clipping
- **Outliers**
- Discontinuities
- Repeated values.


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Data Cleaning Processes



Simple Criterion	Robust Algorithms
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If data is above or below $(\mu \pm N \times \sigma)$, treat the data as outlier.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Works correctly only for simplest of the cases– May identify false outliers, may miss actual ones	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Account for non-stationary processes<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Using piecewise mean (μ) and STD (σ) over a small window helps deal with the non-stationary trend– Use estimates of mean and STD that are unbiased by potential outliers<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jackknife technique– Are points above or below $(\text{Mean} \pm N \times \text{STD})$ are true outliers?<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Additional checks

Source: OTC 29642, McNeil S(2019), Real-time Cleaning of Time-series Data for a Floating System Digital Twin



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Normal Data
Noise
Outliers

Outliers

How wrong can things go if we avoid detecting outliers?

- Outliers create a bias in the fit. Quality of fit decreases with increasing number of outliers

Case	EUR	% Difference
Analytical Model	7485.3	0
No outliers	7483.2	-0.03
10 outliers	8146.8	8.83
20 outliers	6612.7	-11.66
30 outliers	5593.3	-25.28

“Outliers can drastically reduce the diagnostic value and reliability of rate/pressure transient analysis workflows.”

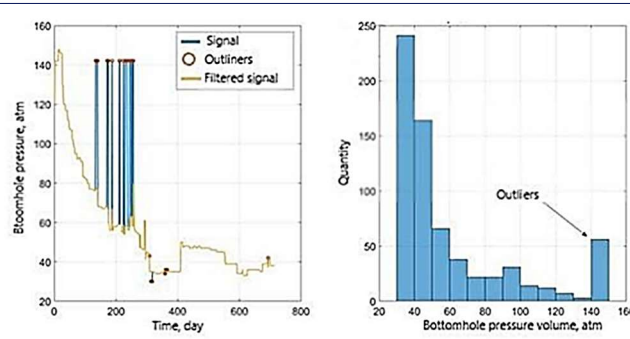
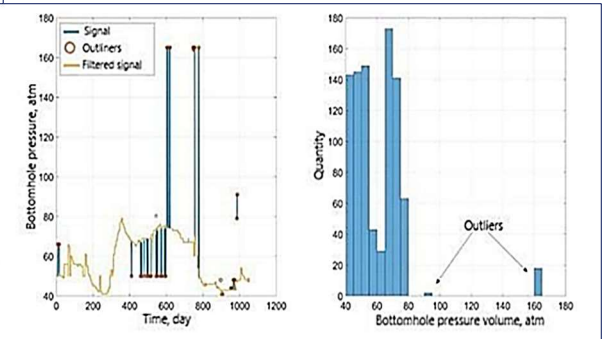
Outlier Definitions:

- The normal data can be regarded as being generated by a model, and outliers can be regarded as deviations from this normal data.
- Outlier is an observation that **deviates so much from others** as to arouse suspicion that it was generated by a different mechanism.
- Outlier is an observation in a dataset which appears to be **inconsistent with the remainder** of that set of data.

SPE-179958, Chaudhary & Lee (2016) Detecting and Removing Outliers in Production Data to Enhance Production Forecasting

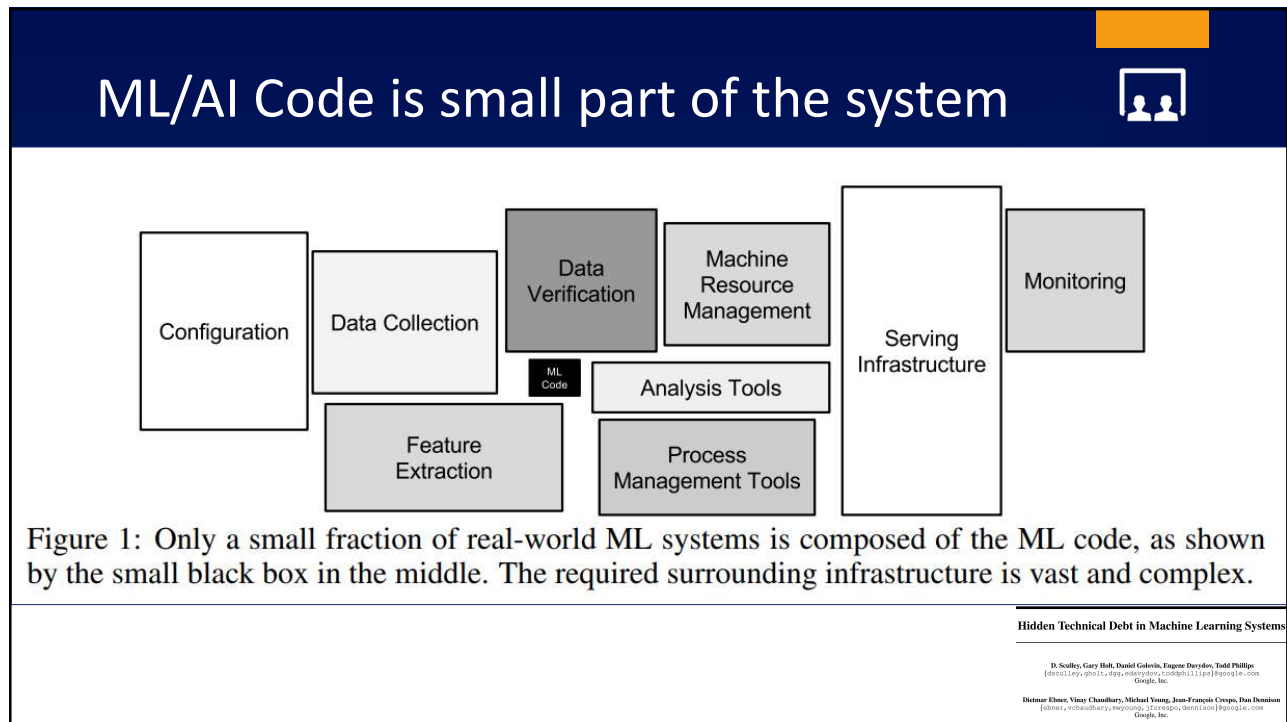
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Outlier Removal

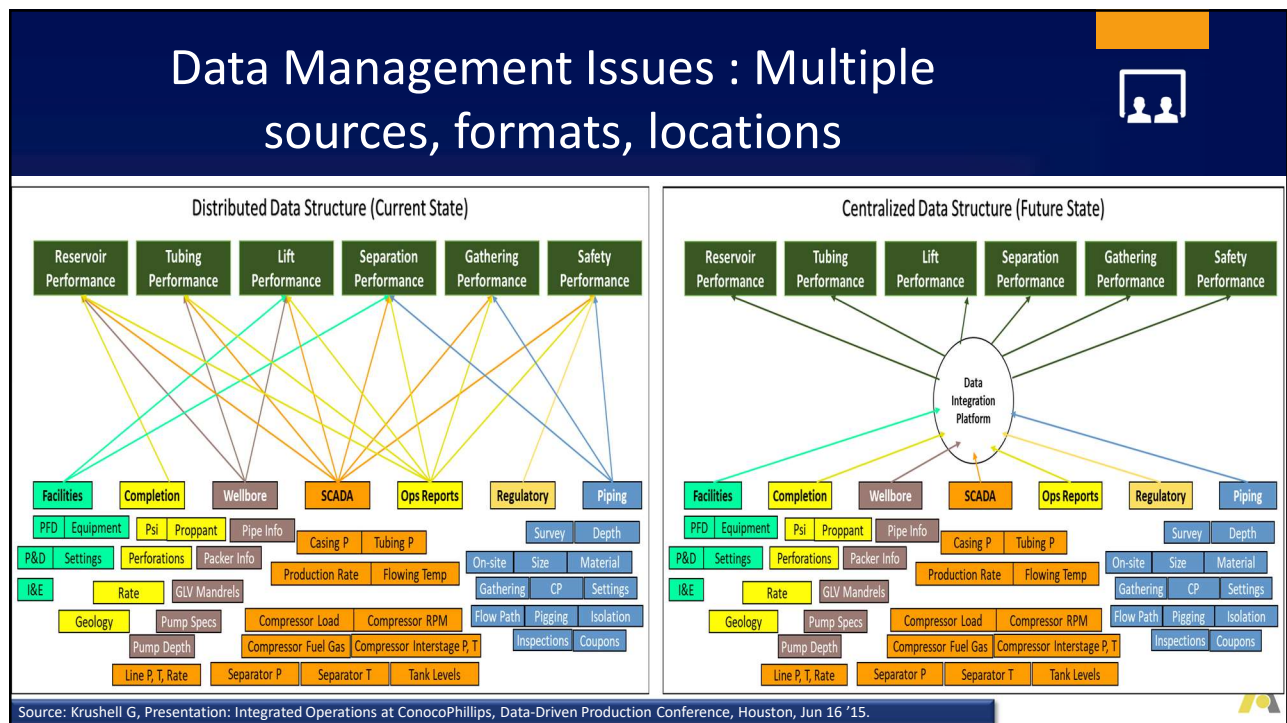



Source: Andrianova, A. et al. (2018). Application of Machine Learning for Oilfield Data Quality Improvement. doi:10.2118/191601-18RPTC-MS

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Unstructured Data: Ingestion Challenges



- For example, Field report(s) with
 - Well site pictures, videos showing condition of equipment/operations
 - Analog paper charts
 - Text messages
 - Email snippets
- Difficult to vectorize
- Metadata extraction
- Extra steps to perform arithmetic operations
- Difficult to plot: Plotting doesn't scale very well
- Systems to store files




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Data Formats and Utilization



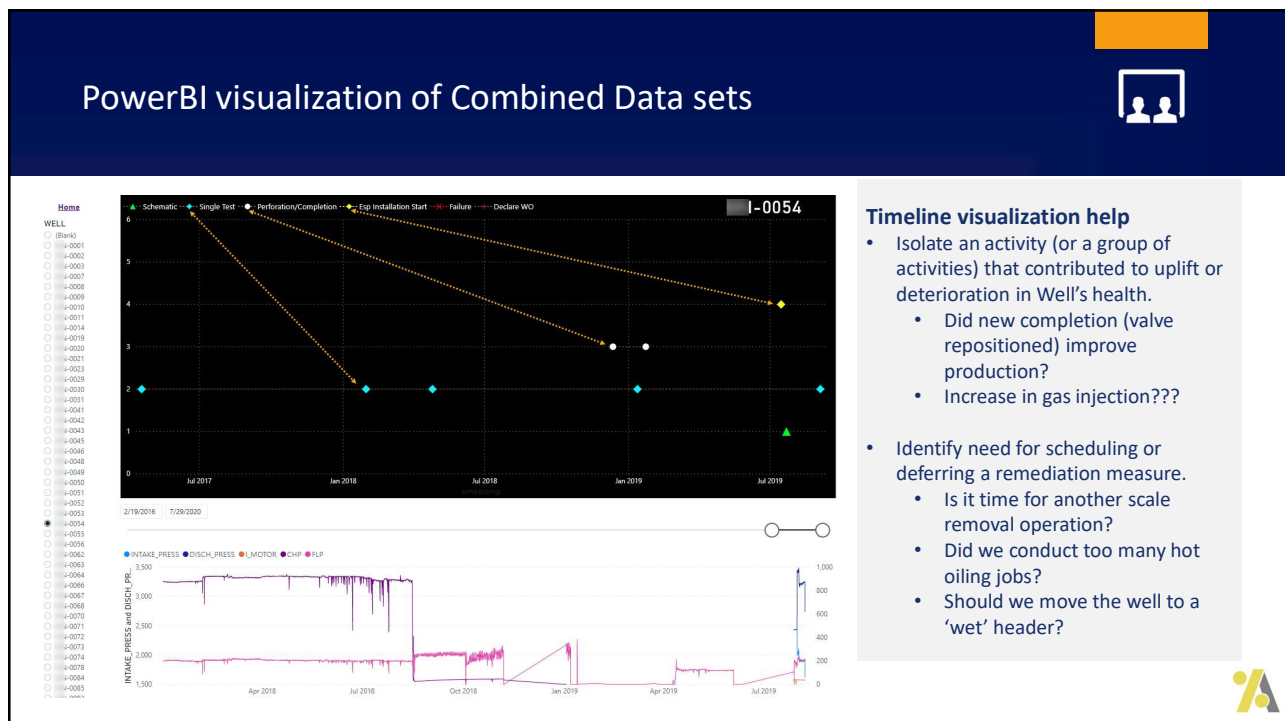
- Data formatting/representation Challenges in systems and software
 - a big challenge
 - real time data streams - units - / time zone issues
 - System interconnectivity hampered
- Energistics WITSML/PRODML/RESQML Data Standards --
<https://www.energistics.org/>
- OSDU technology-agnostic data platform --
<https://osduforum.org/>



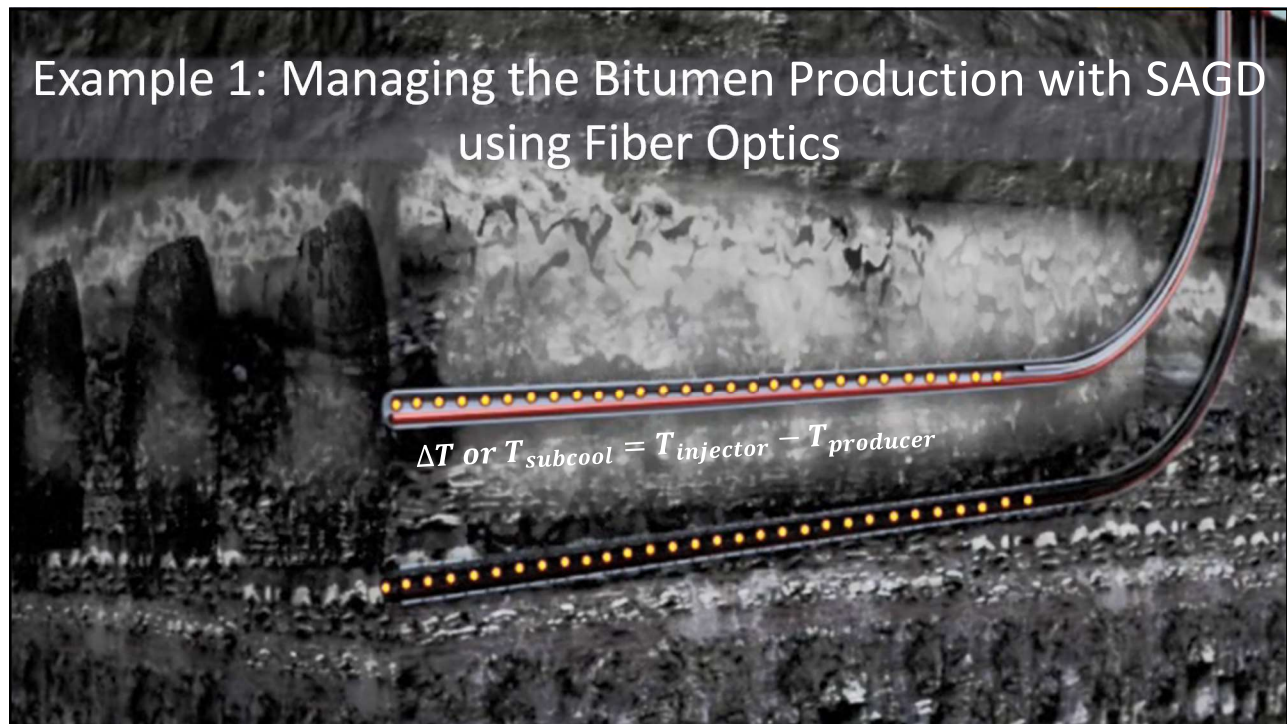
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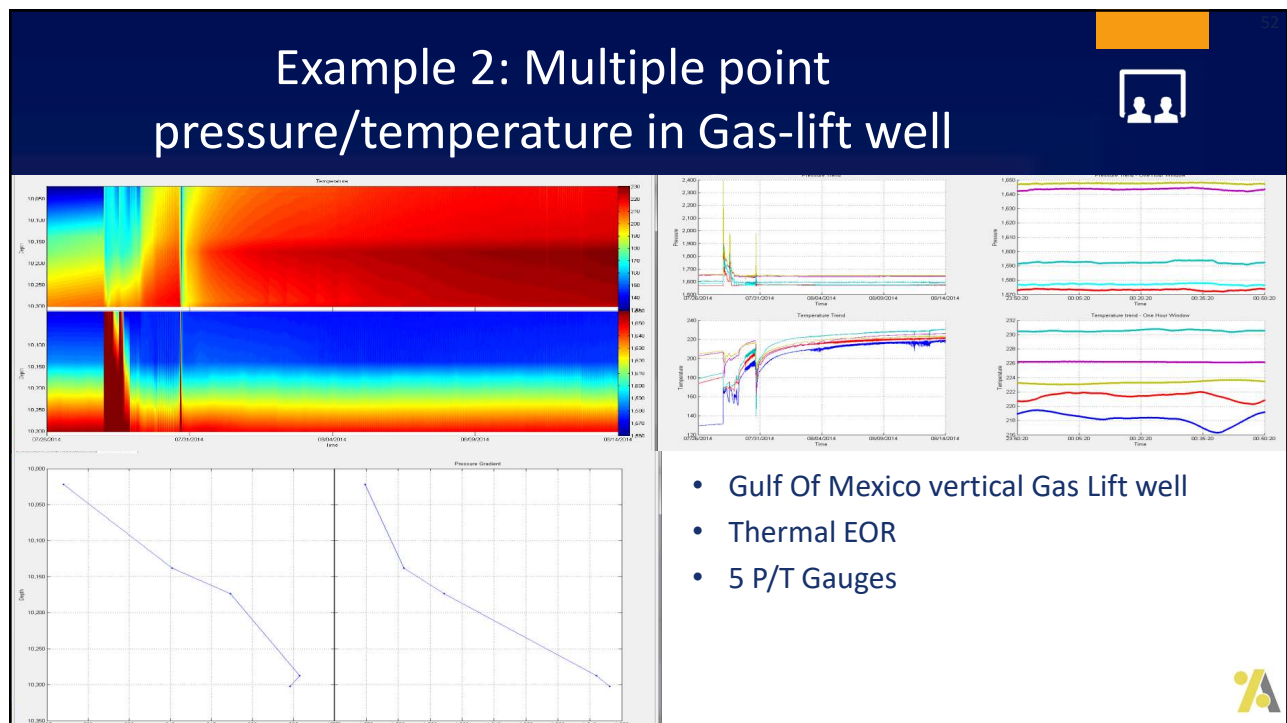
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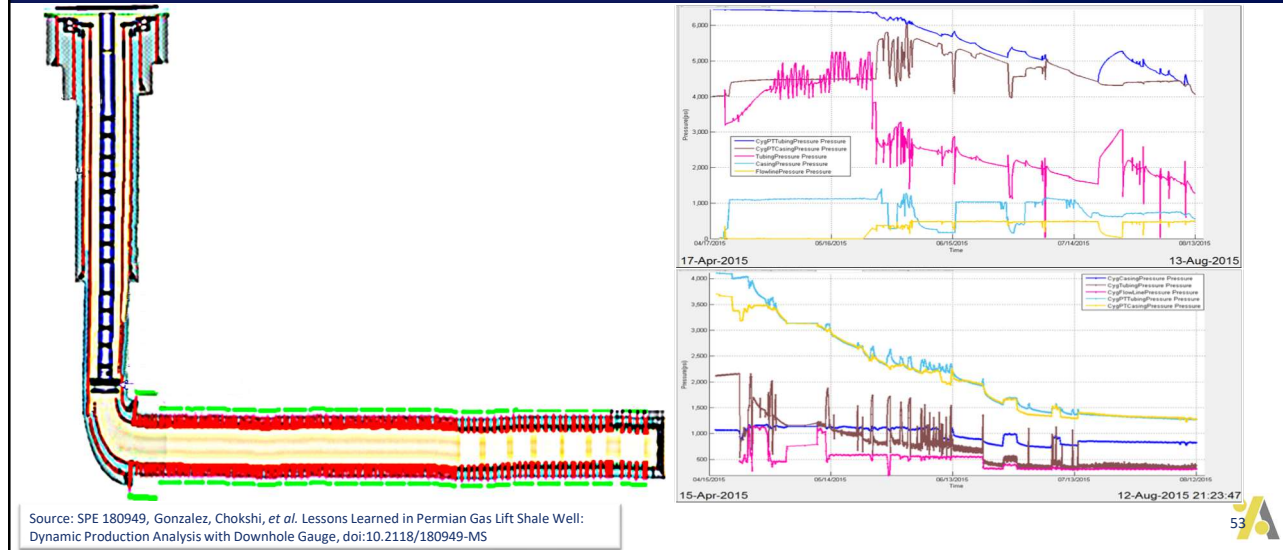


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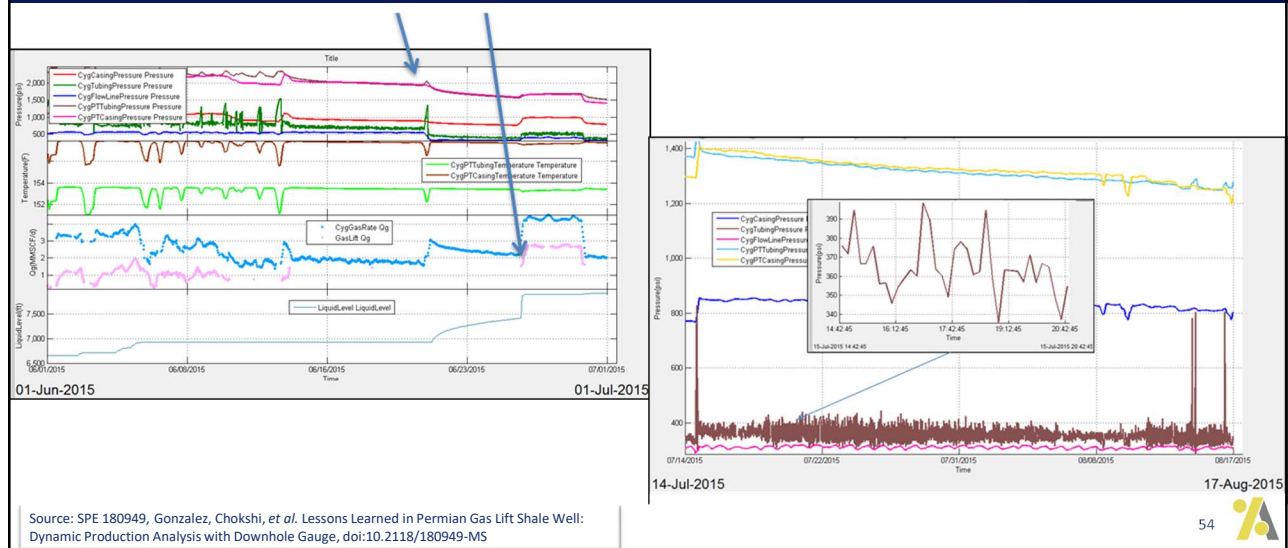
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Example 3 – Permian Condensate Well Gas-Lift Visualization



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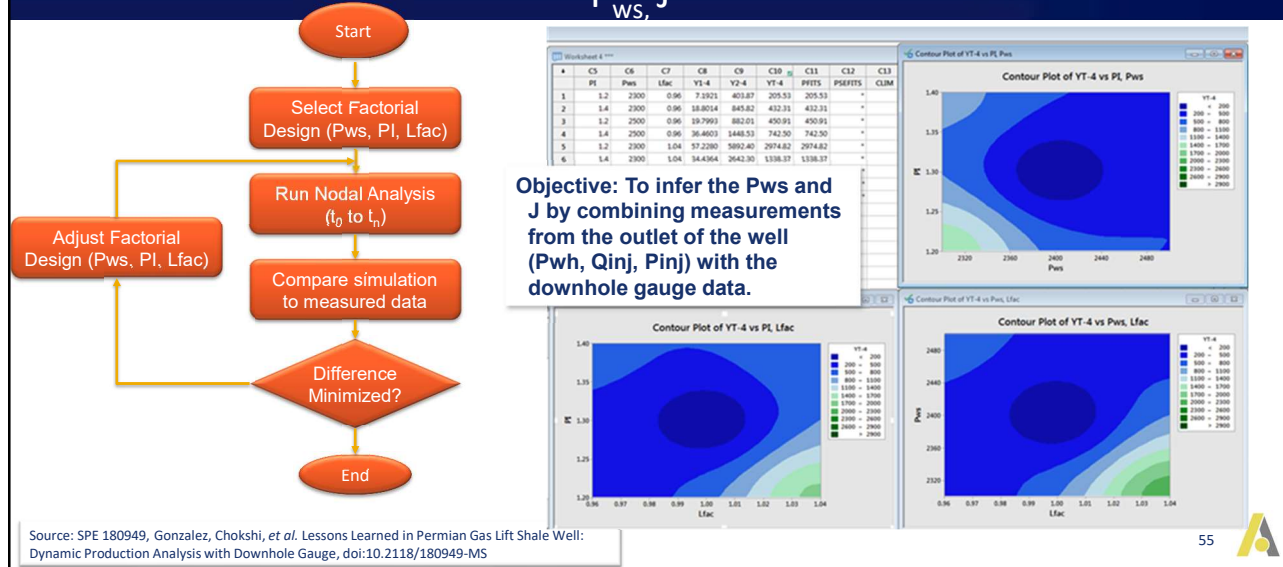
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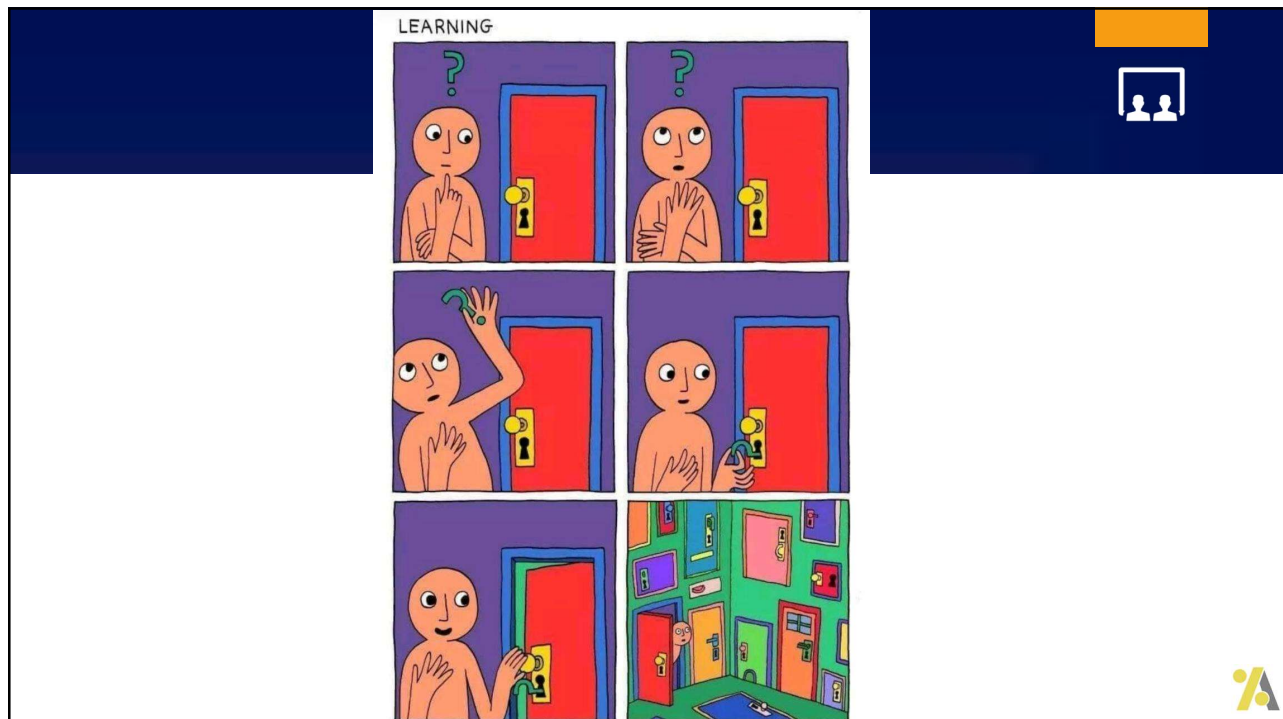
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Example 3 (Contd): Permian Condensate Well : Real-time Measurements → Visualization → Predictive



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Outline



- Data Science & Data Analytics
- AI and ML and Deep Learning
- Bias - Variance – Complexity Tradeoff
- Data Properties & Preparation
- Model Types
- Role of Domain Knowledge
- Training Model
- How good is my model?
- Toolsets
- Overview of a few AL/PO Case studies



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Data Science and Data Analytics: What's The Difference?



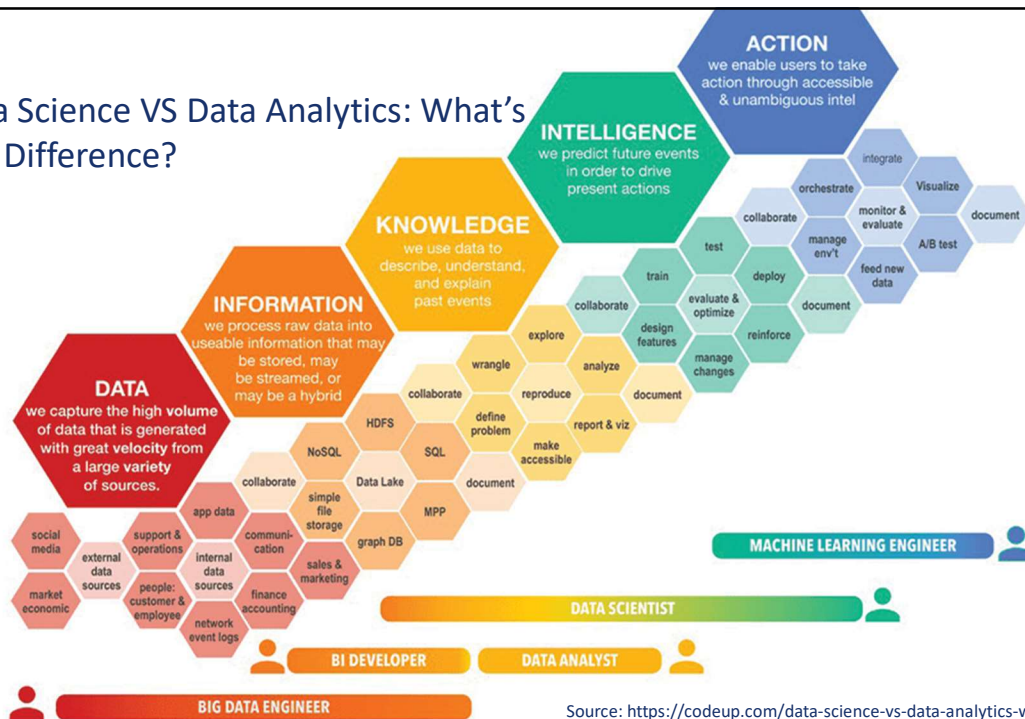
- **Data Science**
 - Multidisciplinary field for finding actionable insights from large sets of structured and unstructured data.
 - “Fixates on getting answers to the things we don’t know, we don’t know.”
 - Incorporates computer science, predictive analytics, statistics, machine learning.
- **Data Analytics**
 - Focuses on processing and performing statistical analysis of existing datasets.
 - “Directed towards solving problems for questions we know we don’t know the answers to.”
 - Involves basic descriptive statistics, visualization and communication of conclusions.
- **Data science has a wider scope compared to data analytics.**
 - Data analytics is contained in data science and is one of the phases of the data science lifecycle.
 - What happens before and after analyzing the data is all part of data science.
 - Data cleansing, data preparation, analysis

Source: Liberty D., (2019) <https://www.sisense.com/blog/data-science-vs-data-analytics/>



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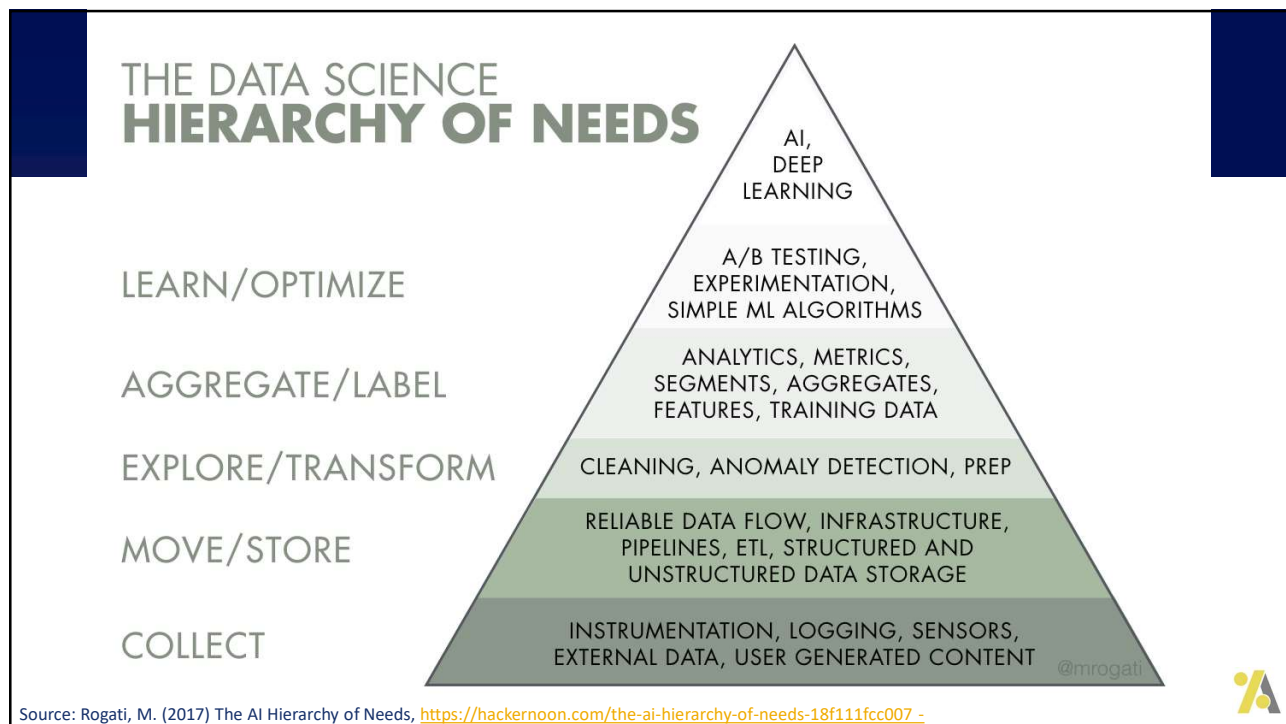
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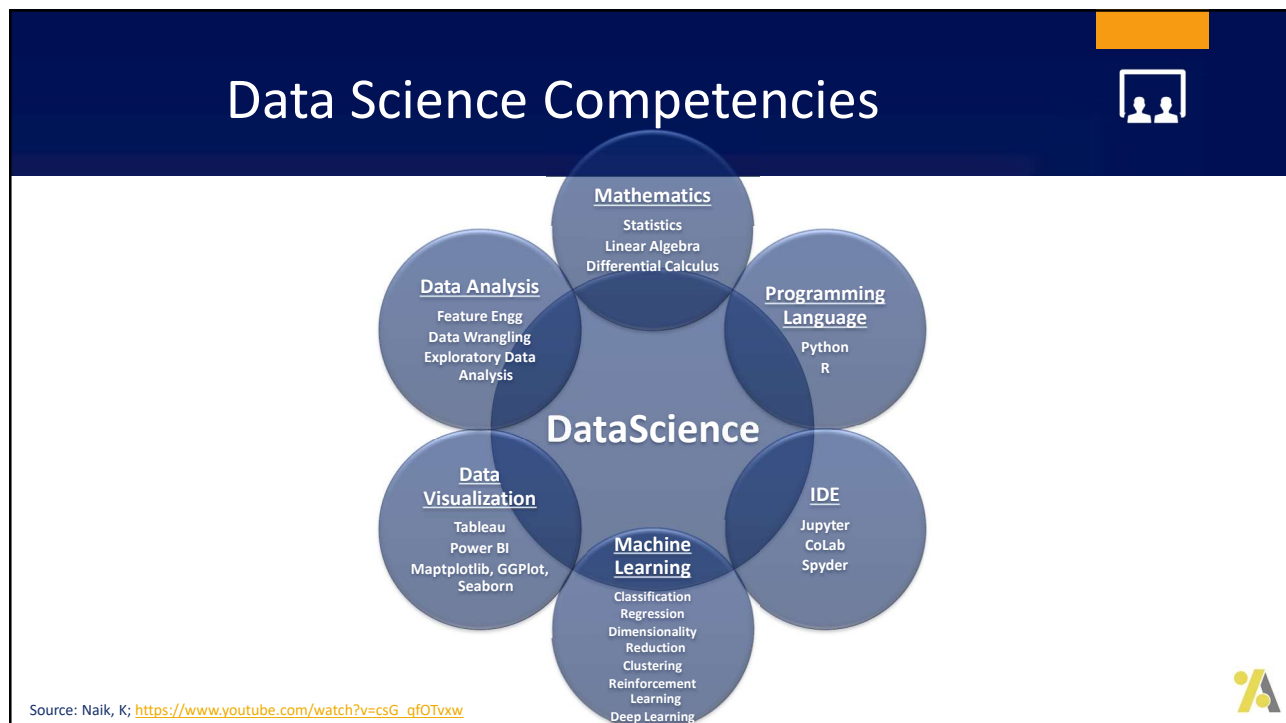
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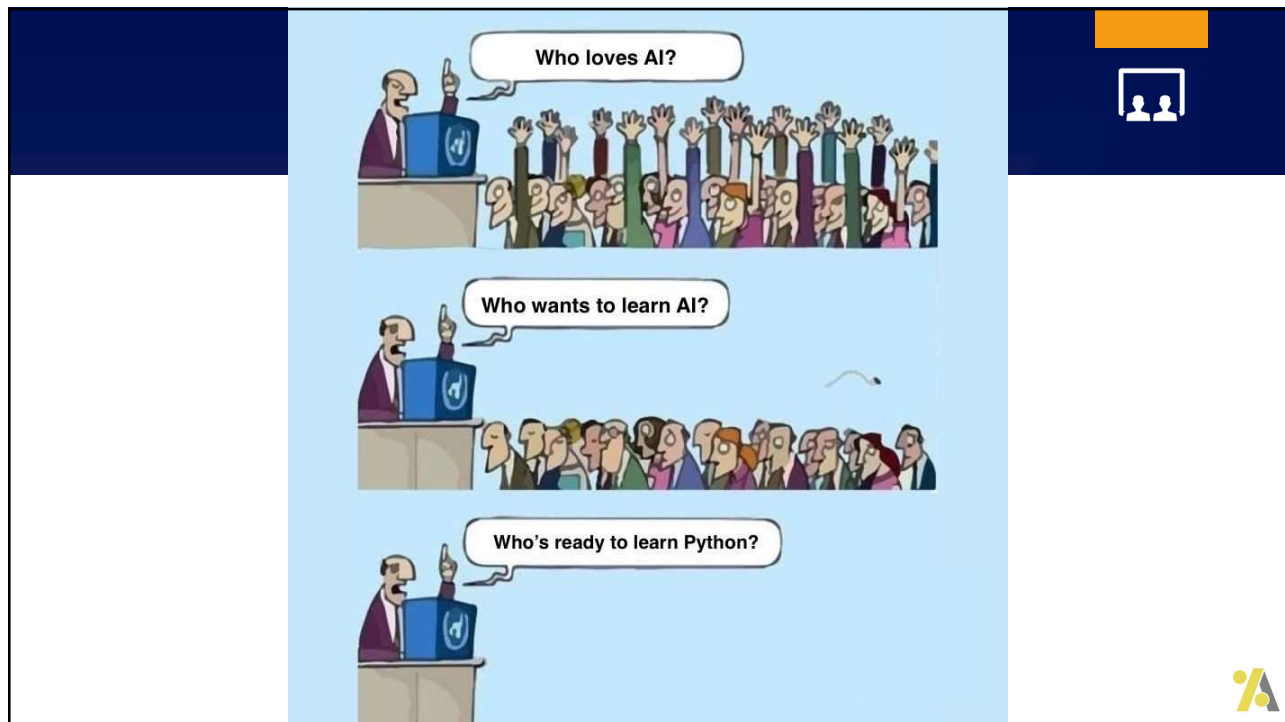


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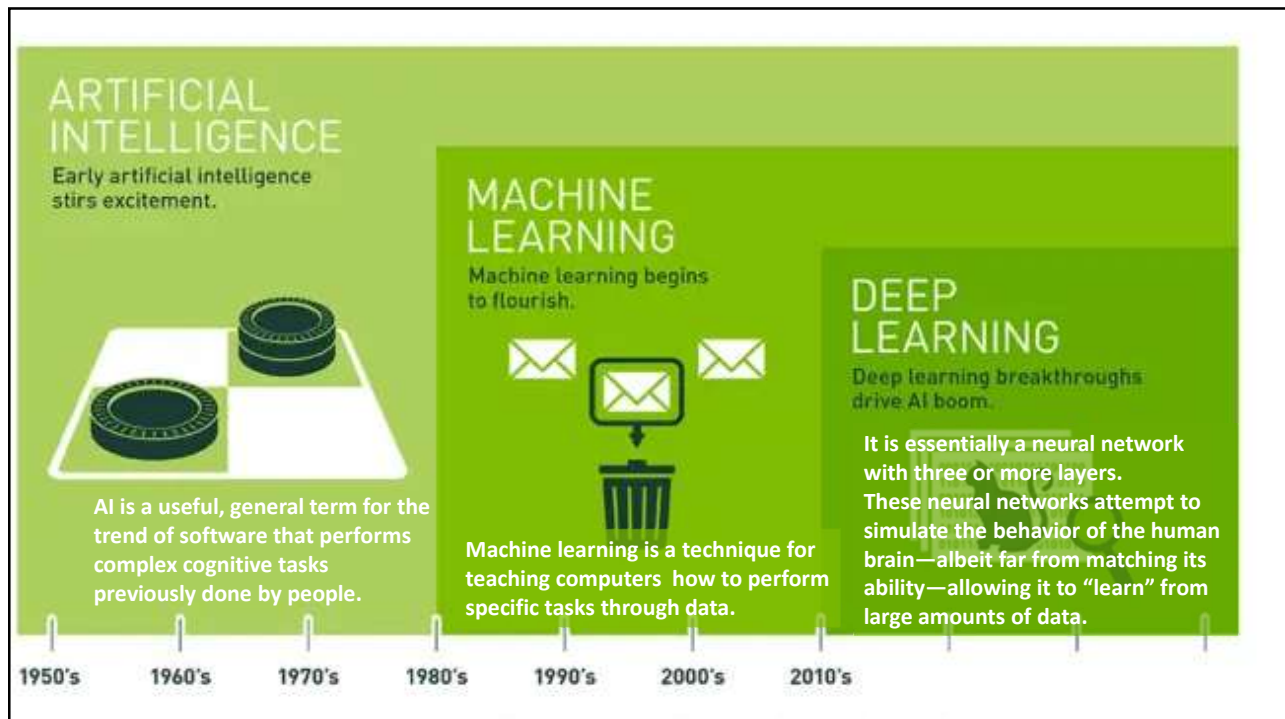


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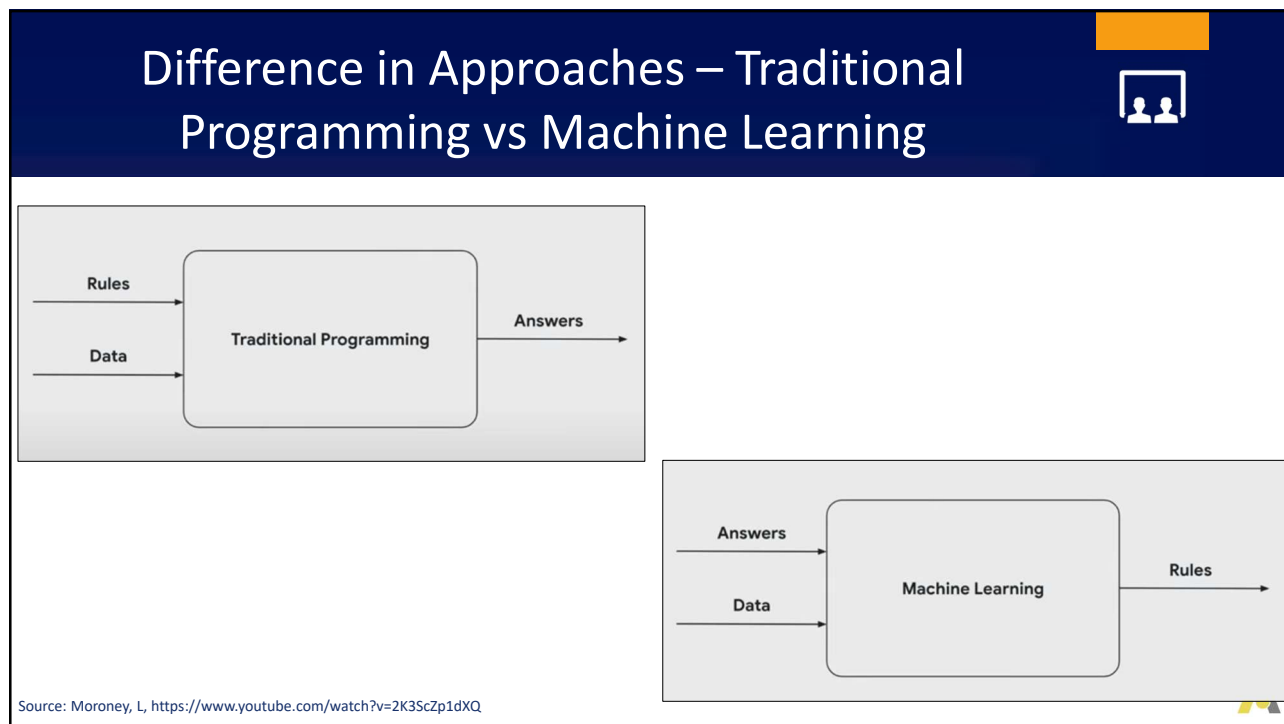
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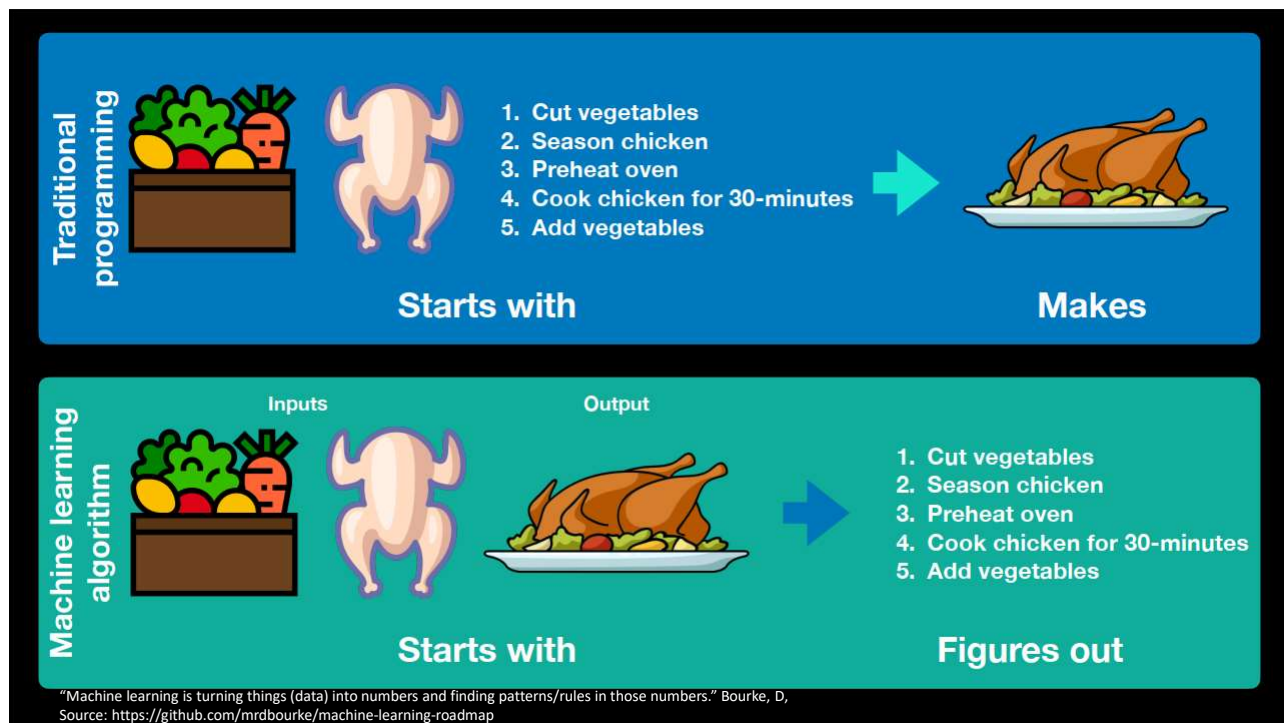
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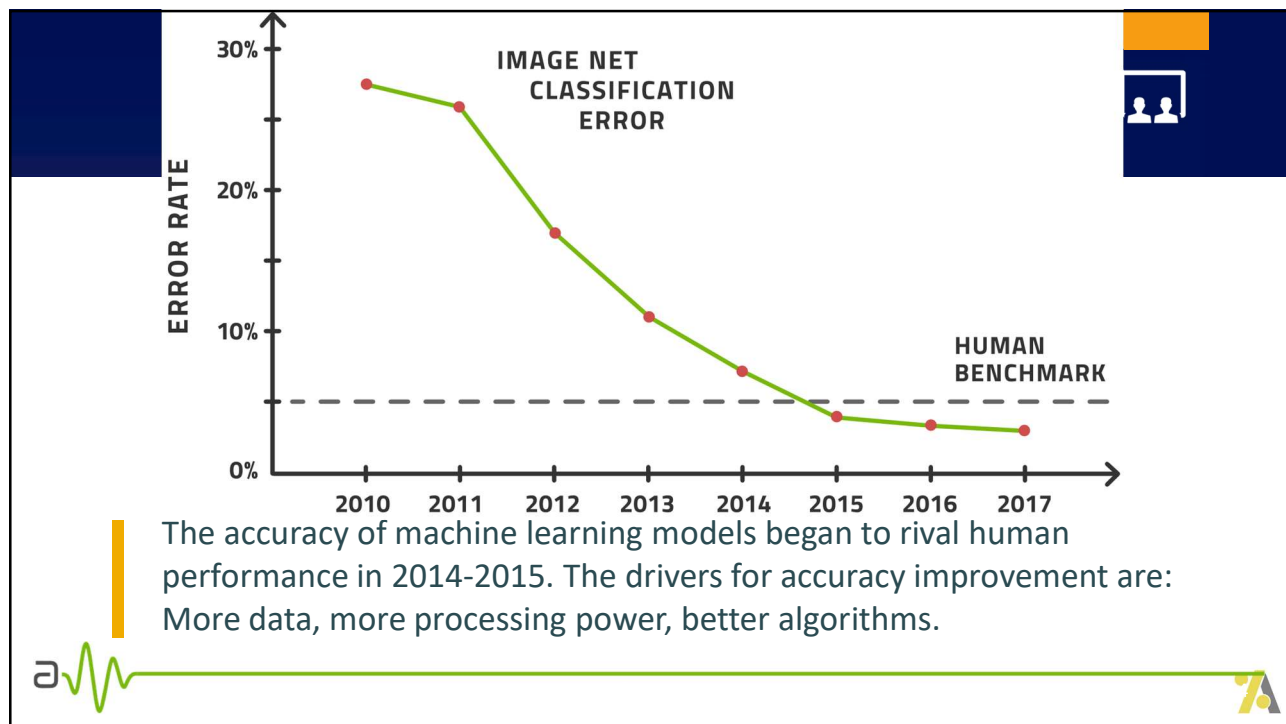


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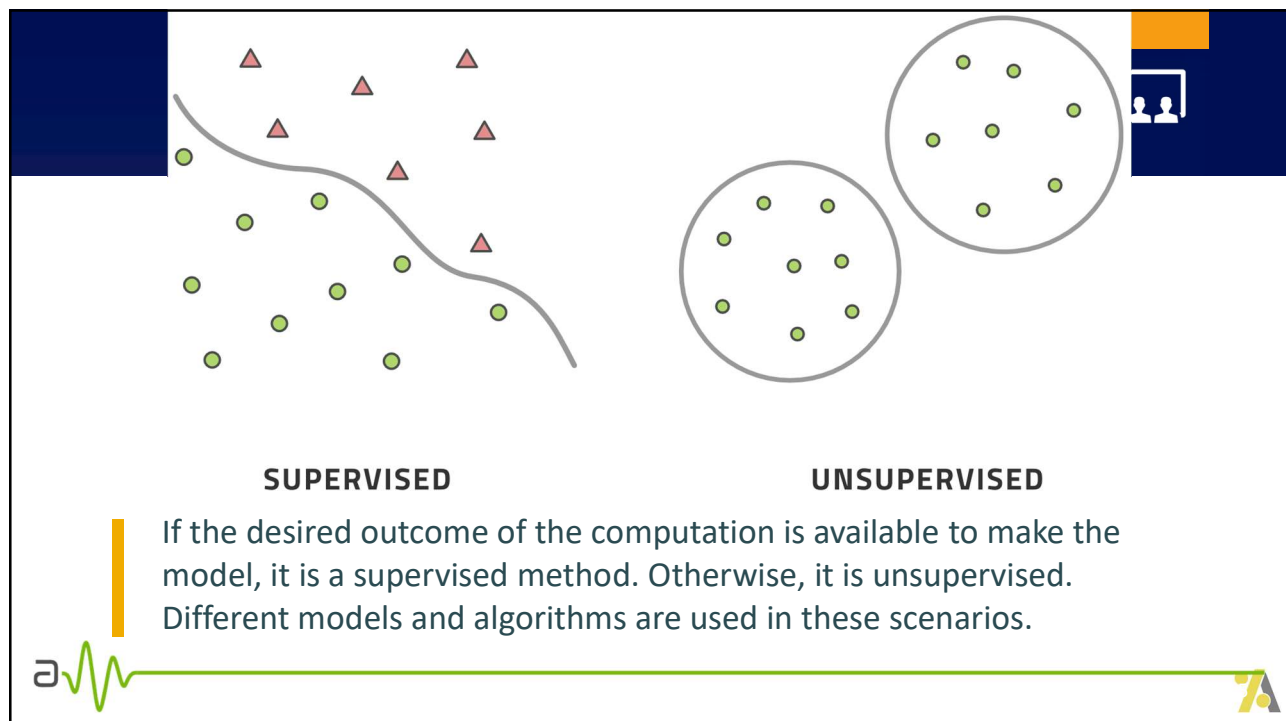
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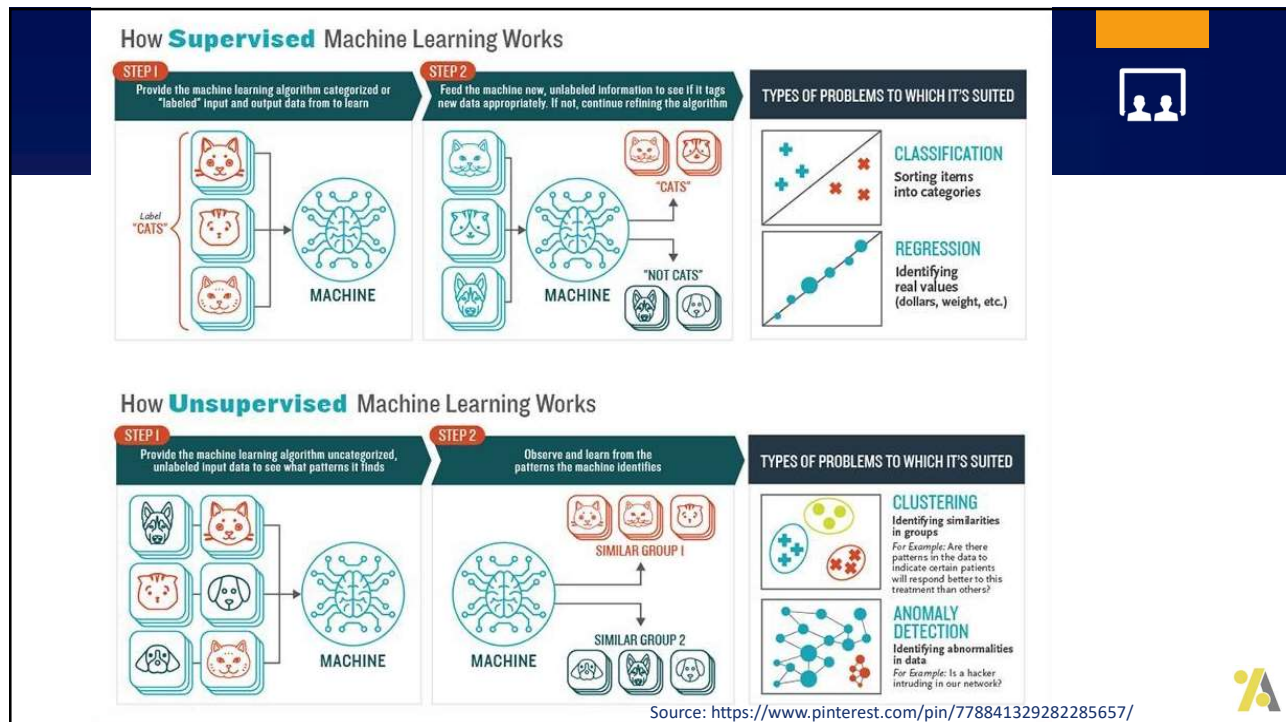


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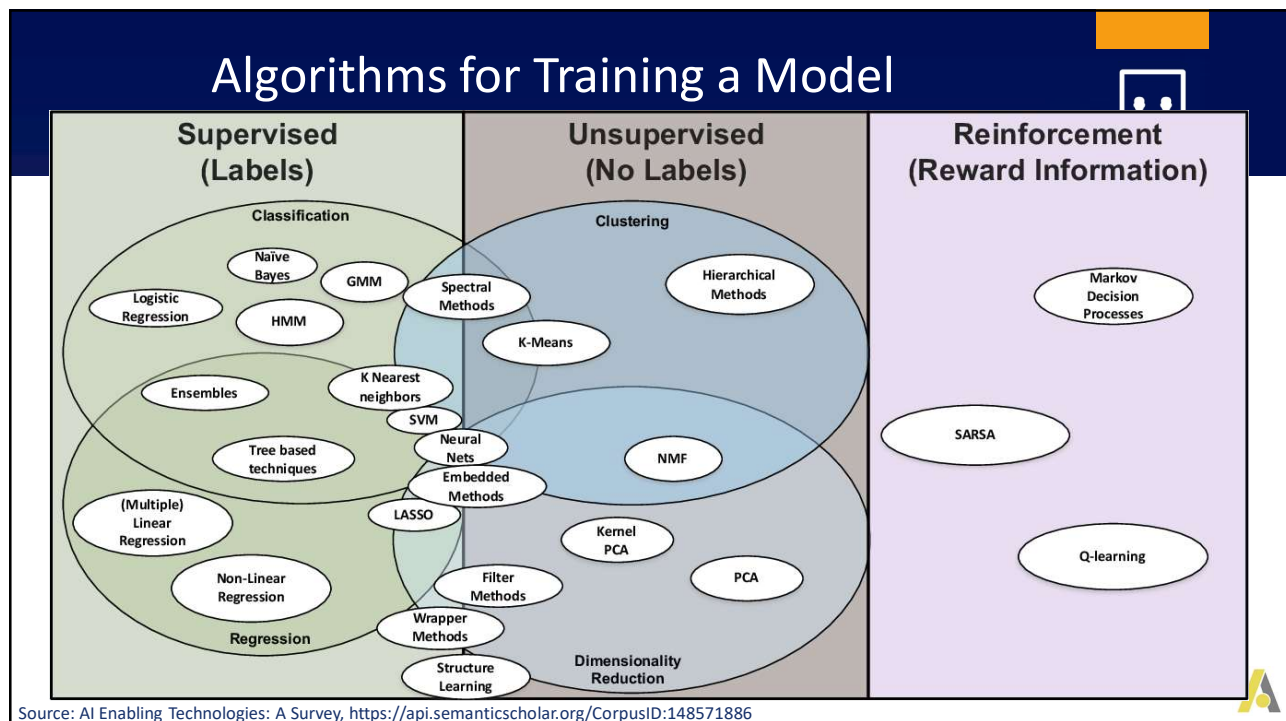


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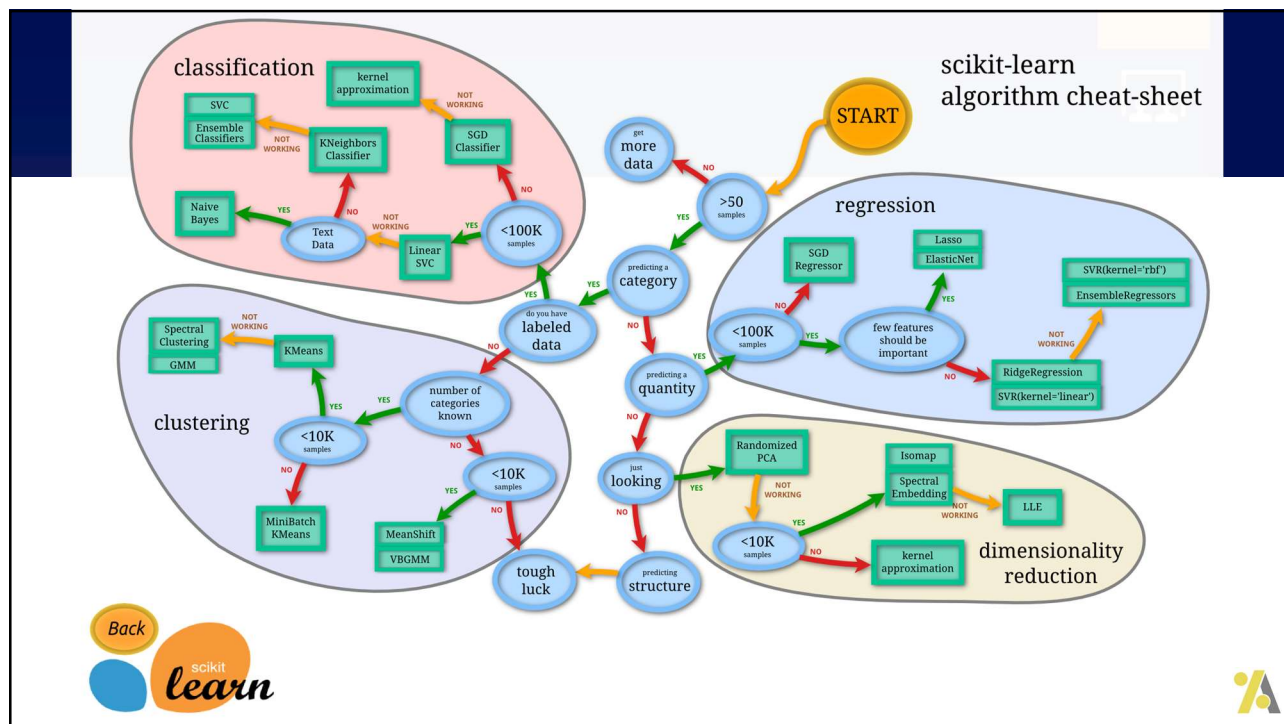


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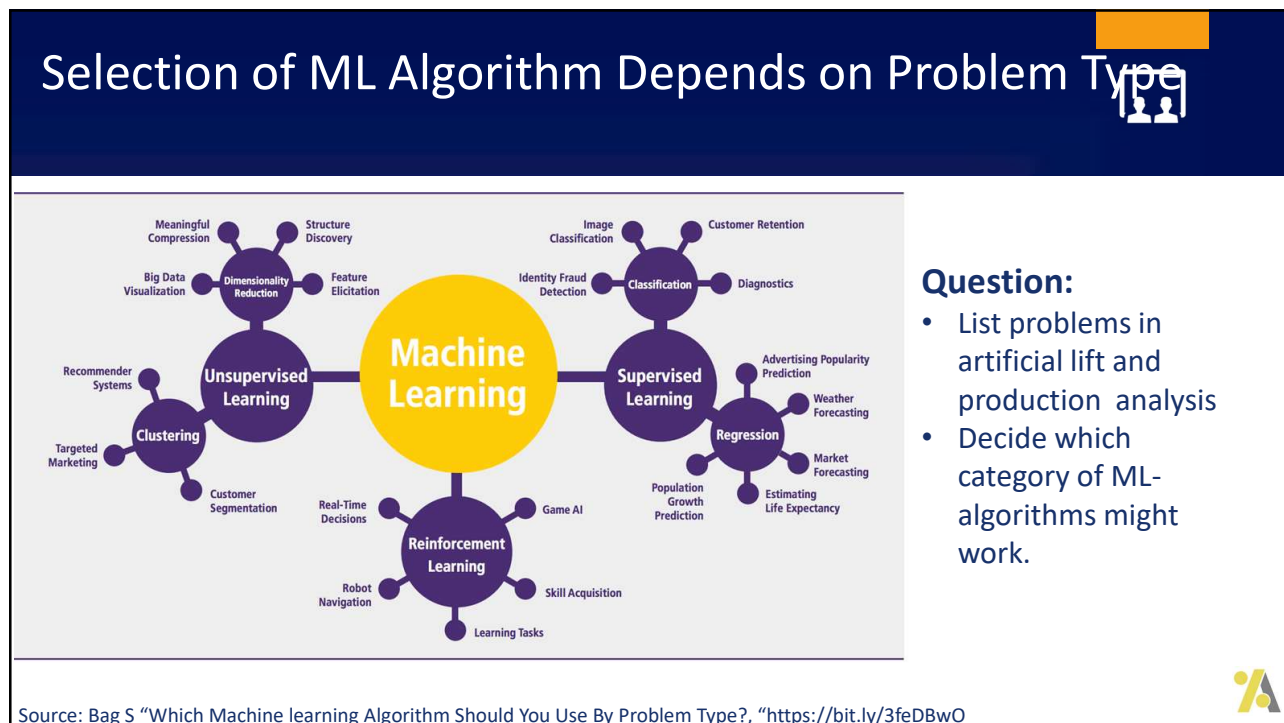


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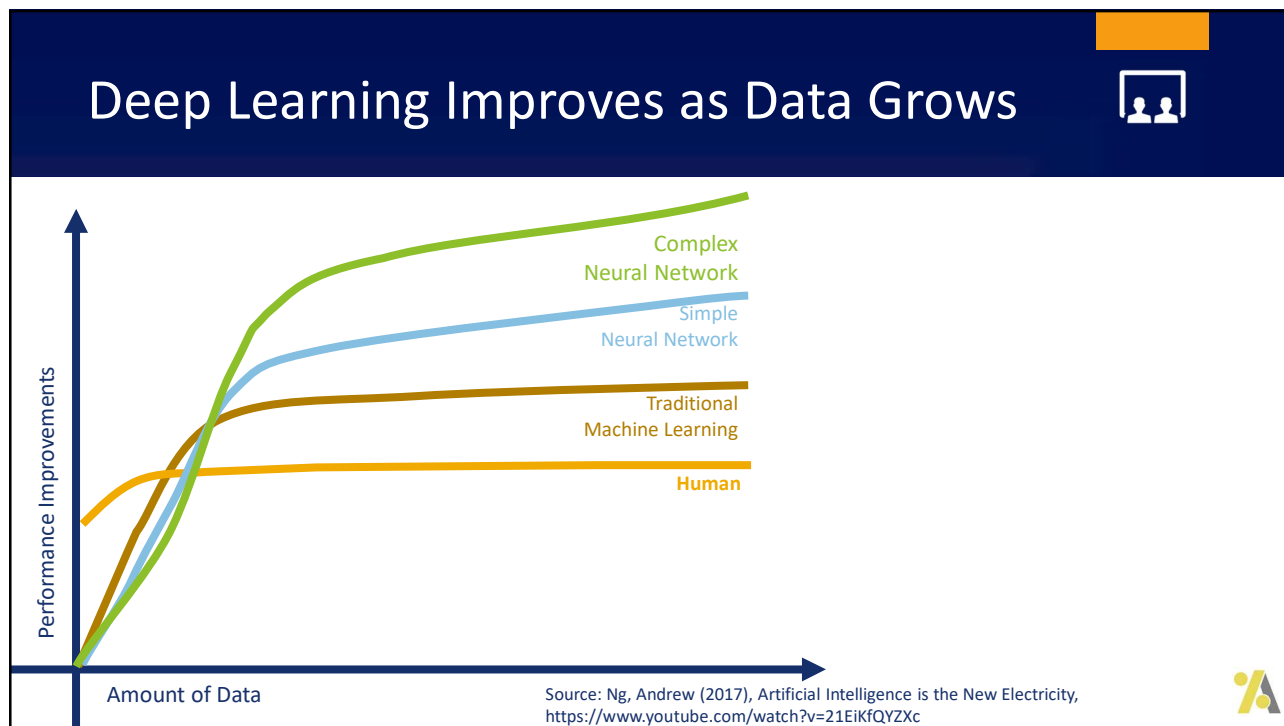
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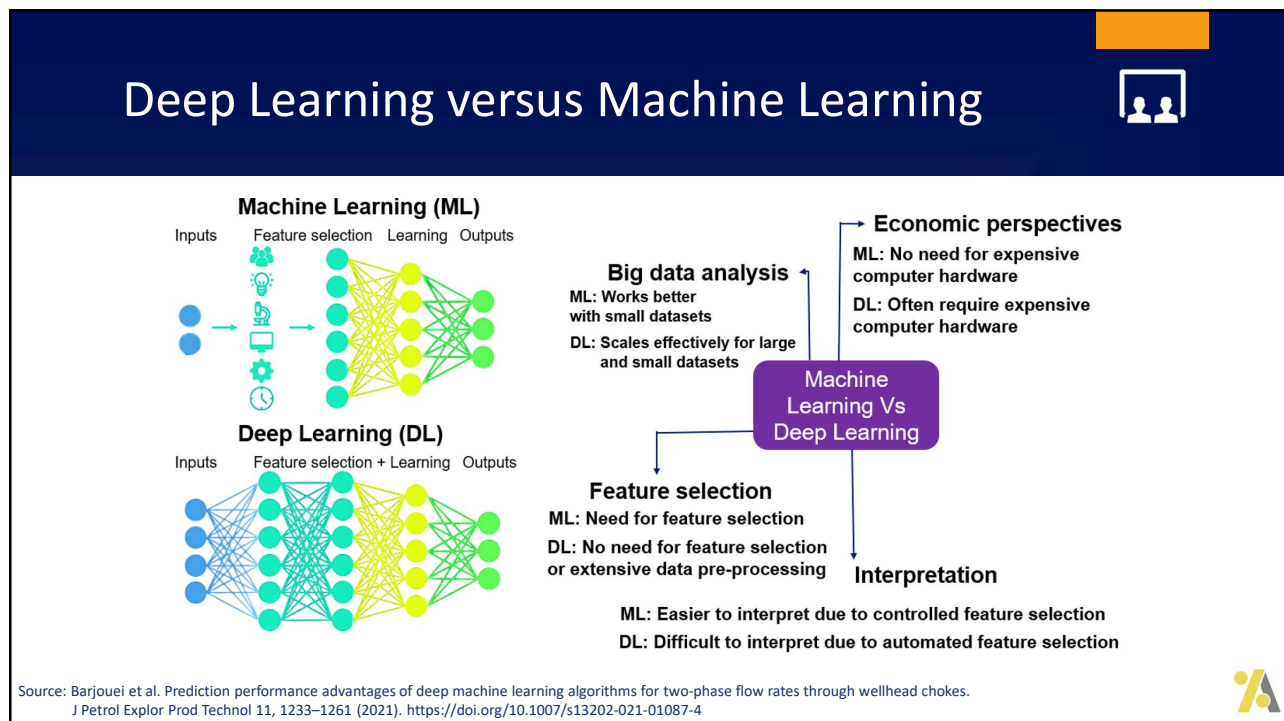
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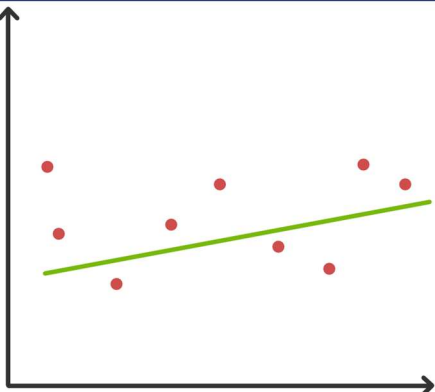
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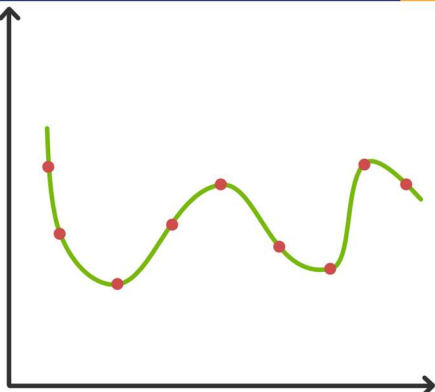


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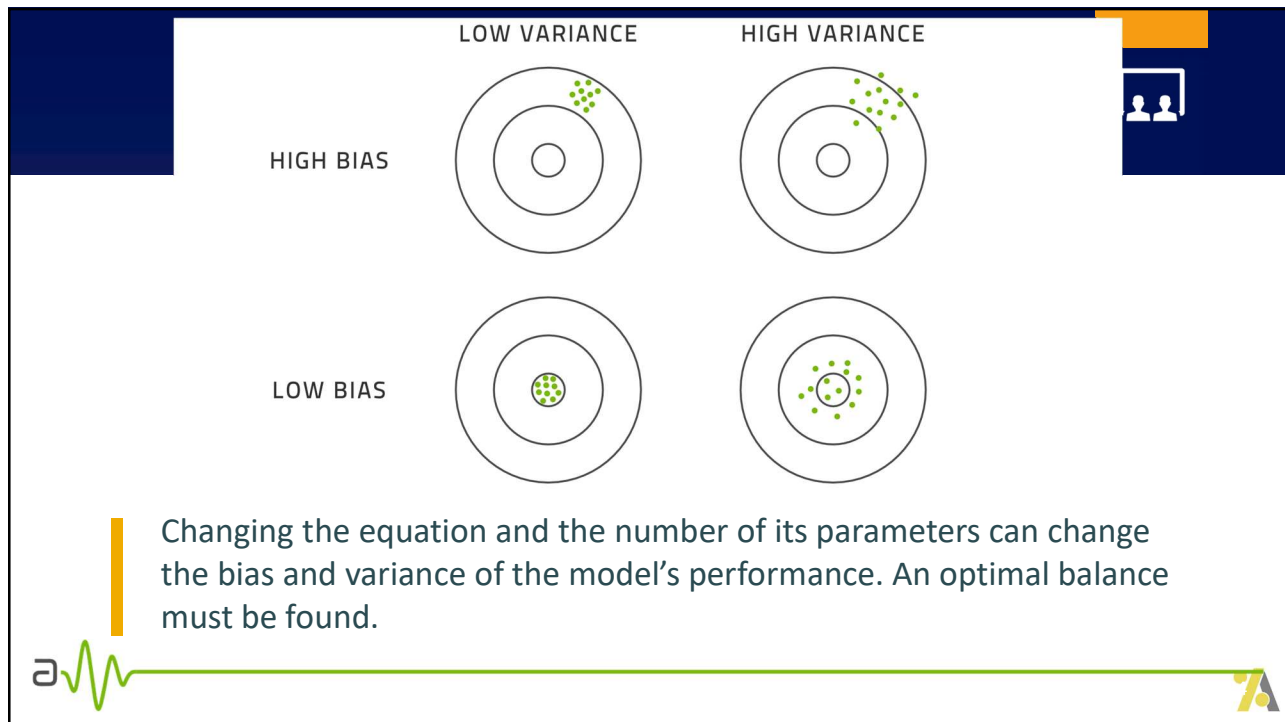
OVERFITTING

When the model is too simple (left) it cannot represent the data well.
When the model is too complex (right) it can memorize the data and cannot generalize

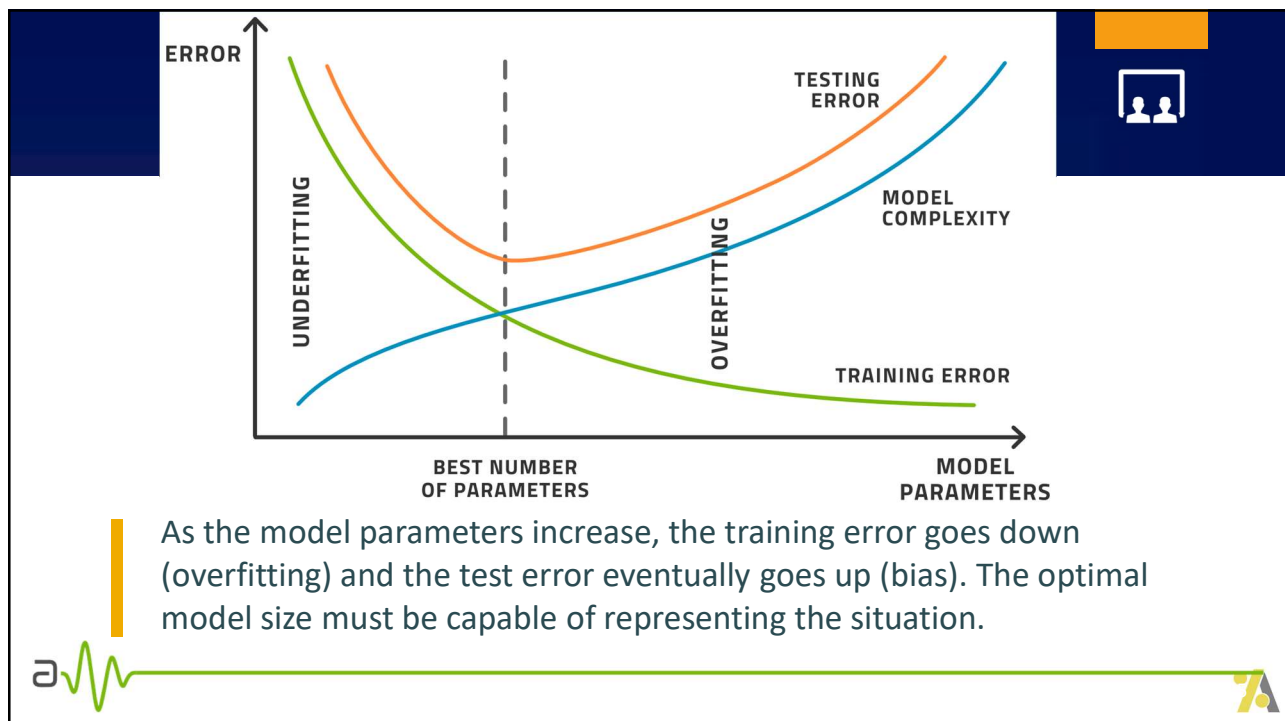


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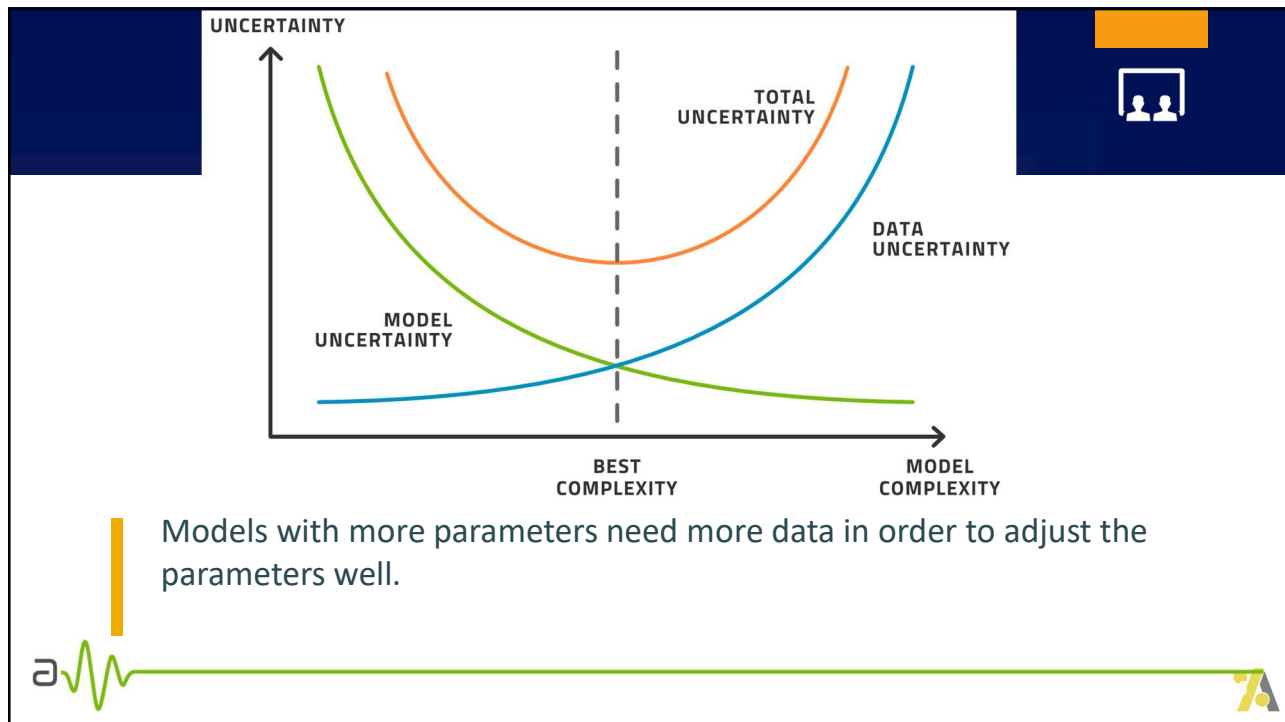


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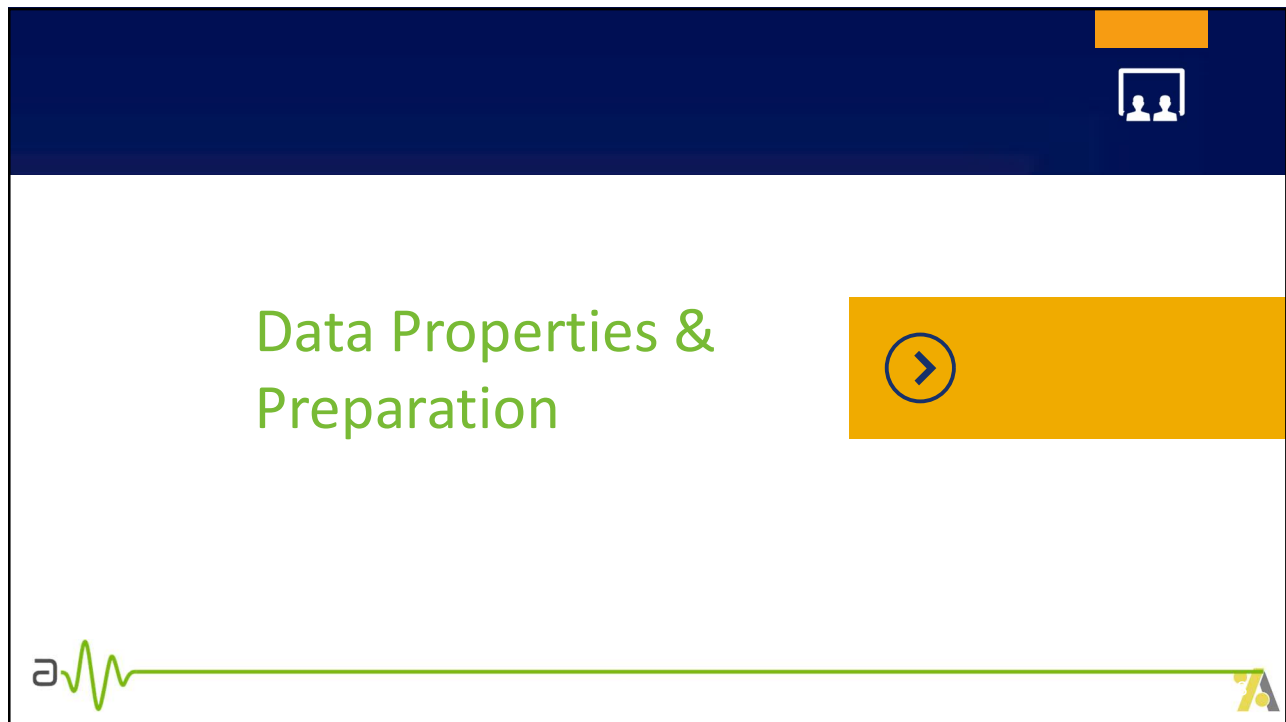
An illustration of a balance scale on an orange background. The scale is perfectly balanced. To the left of the scale, text describes a model that is too small, leading to variance. To the right, text describes a model that is too big, leading to bias. Below the scale, a text box explains that the solution is often to get more data, as advances in deep learning are due to increased data sizes, and if that's not possible, variance must be sacrificed.

Model too small
It cannot represent the situation
=> **Variance**

Model too big
It will overfit and not generalize => **Bias**

Often the solution is to get more data. Most of the advances of deep learning are due to vastly increased data sizes. If this cannot be done, we must sacrifice variance!

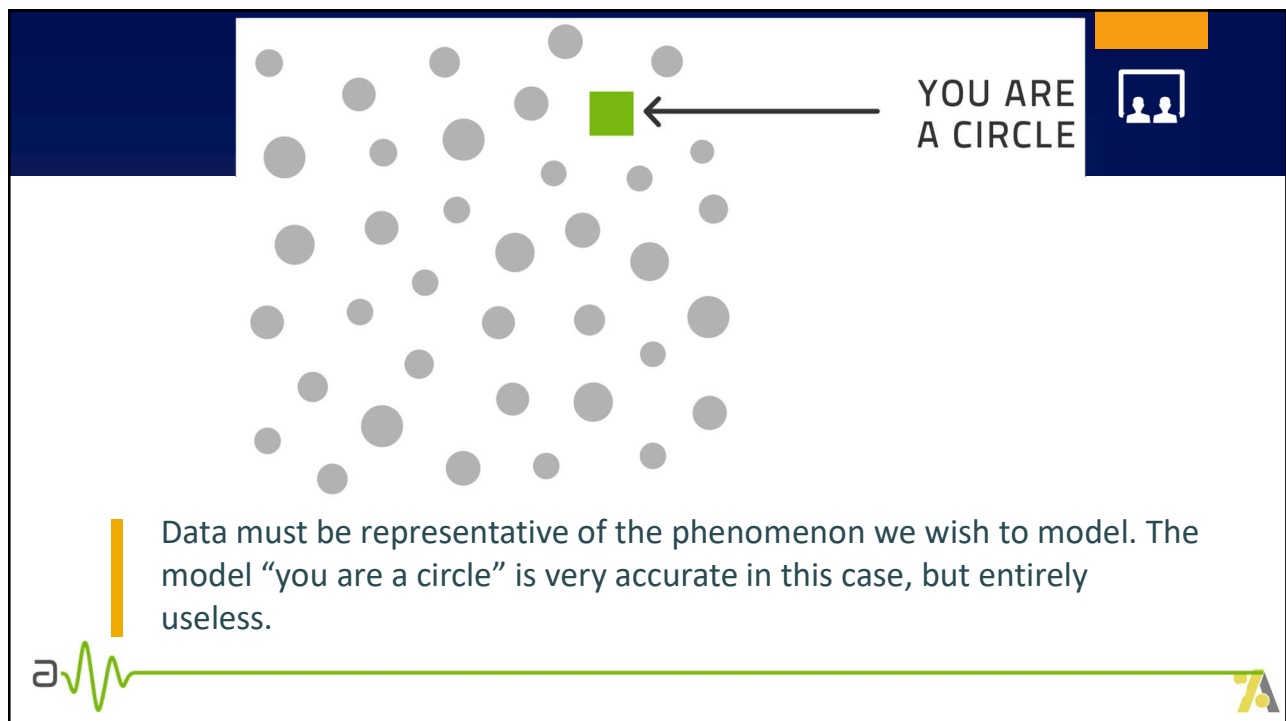
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Data Properties & Preparation

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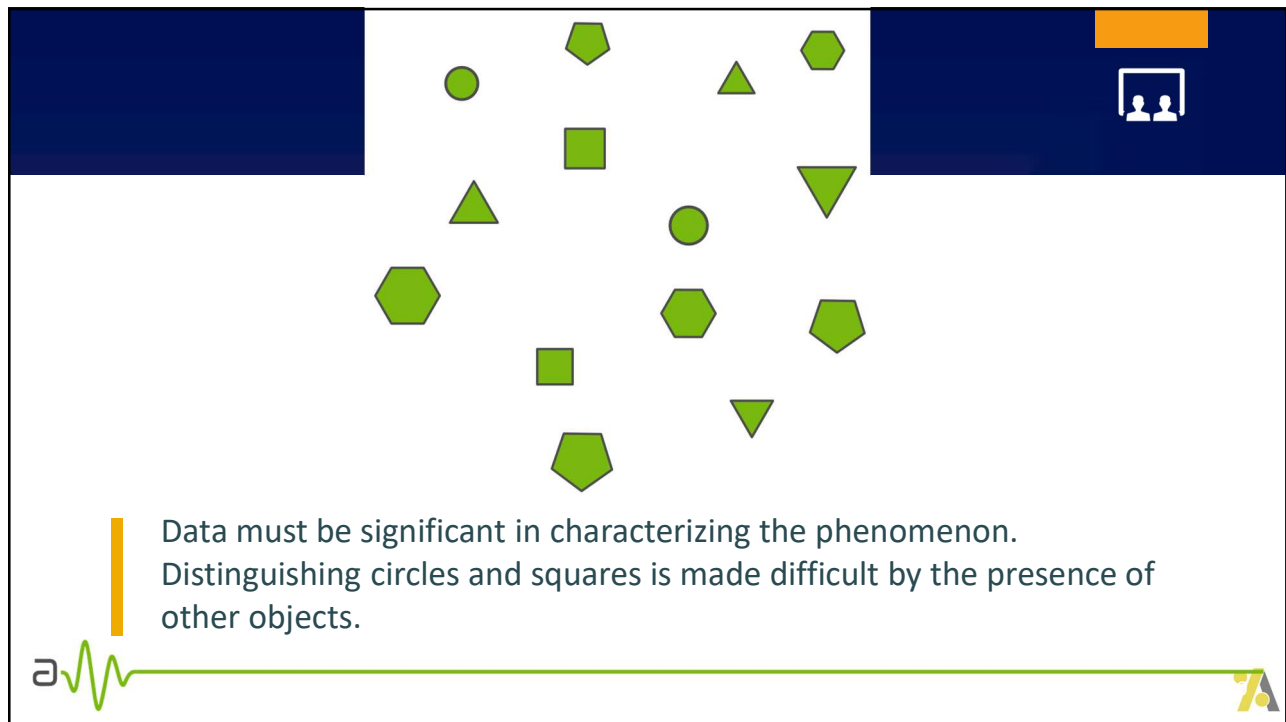


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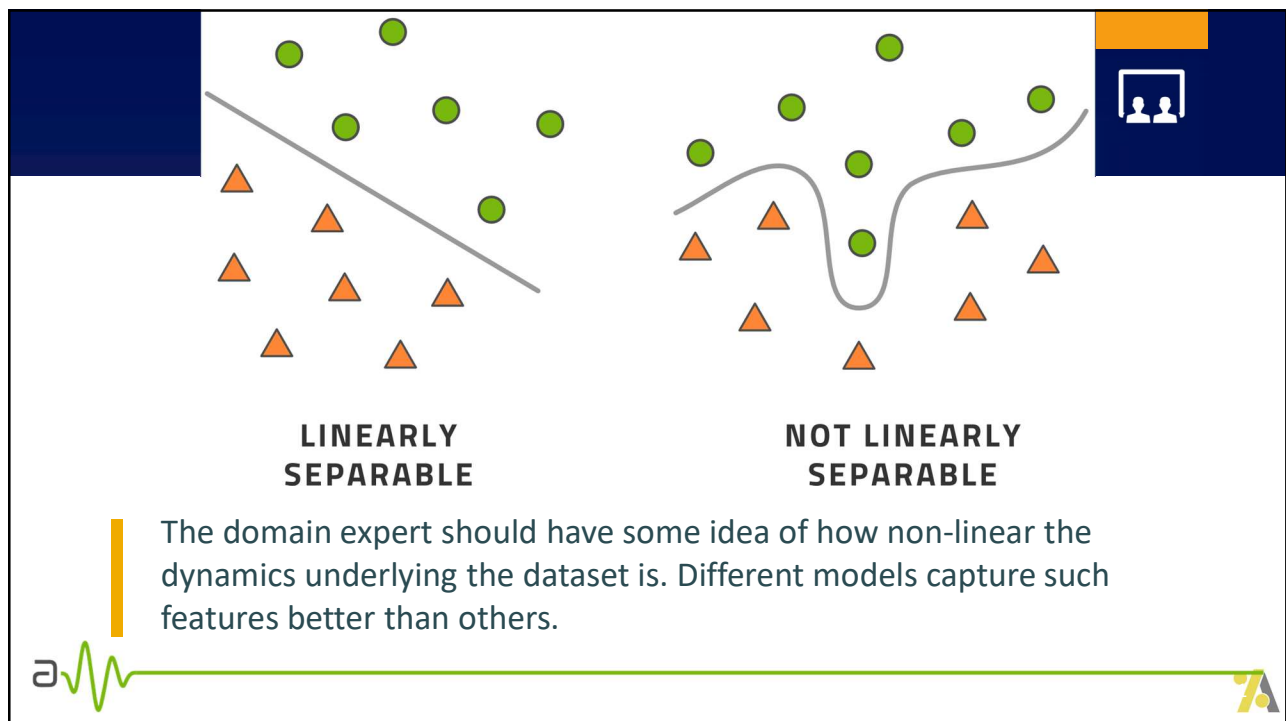
YOU ARE A CIRCLE

Data must be representative of the phenomenon we wish to model. The model "you are a circle" is very accurate in this case, but entirely useless.

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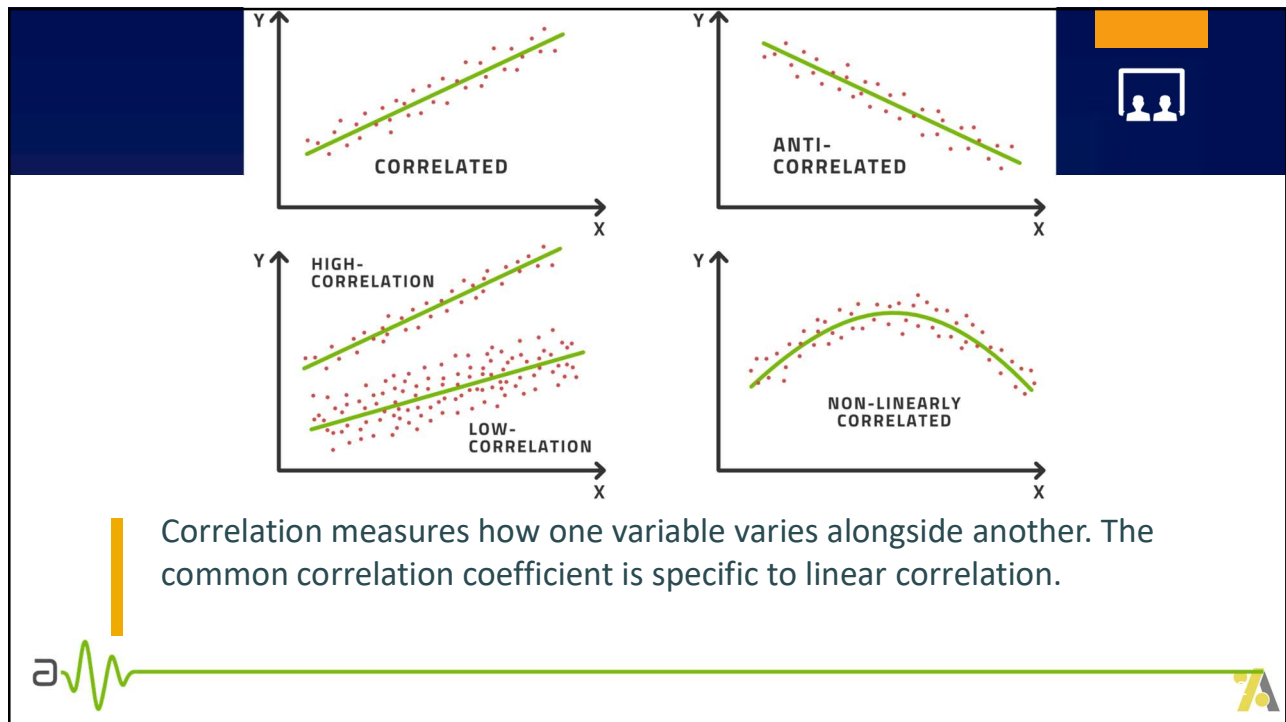


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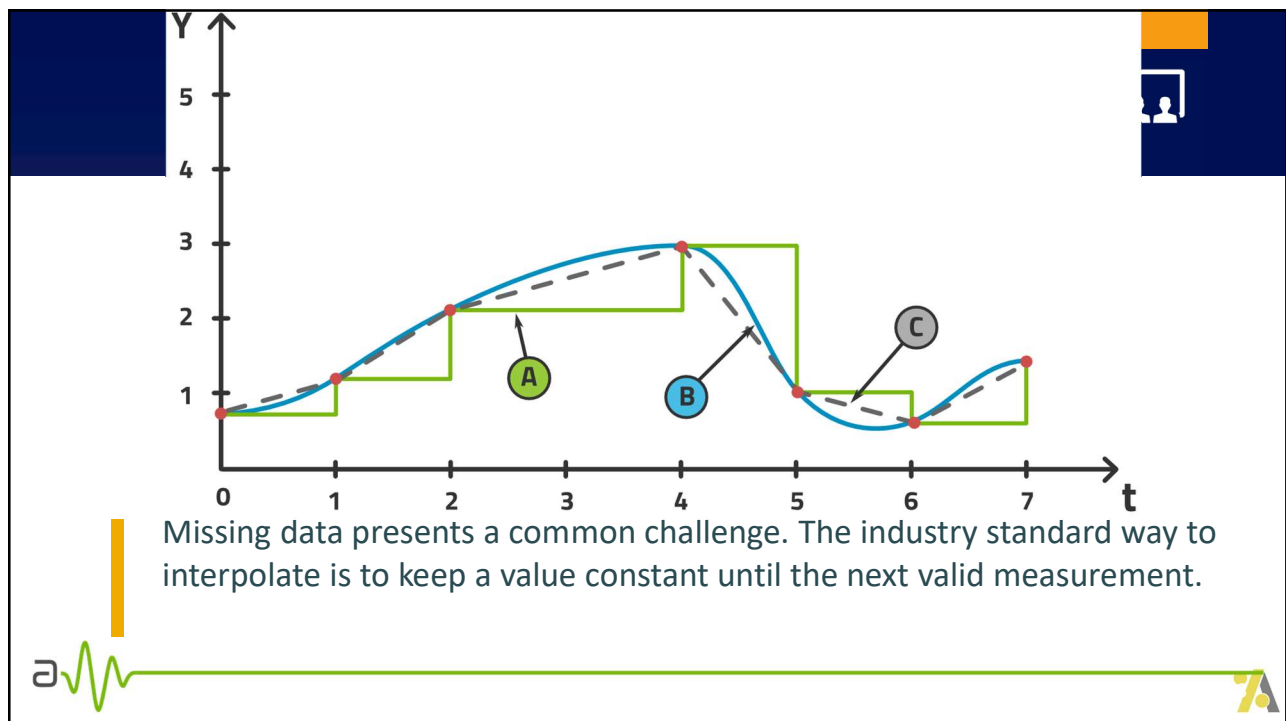


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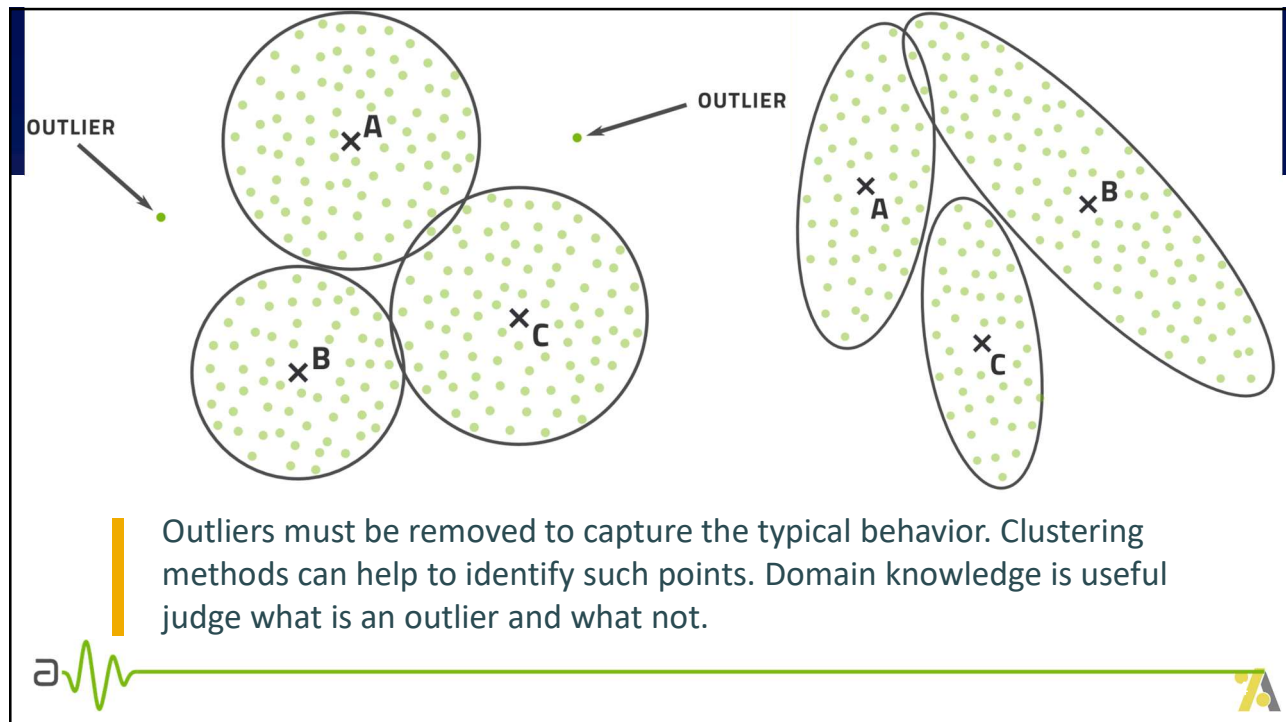


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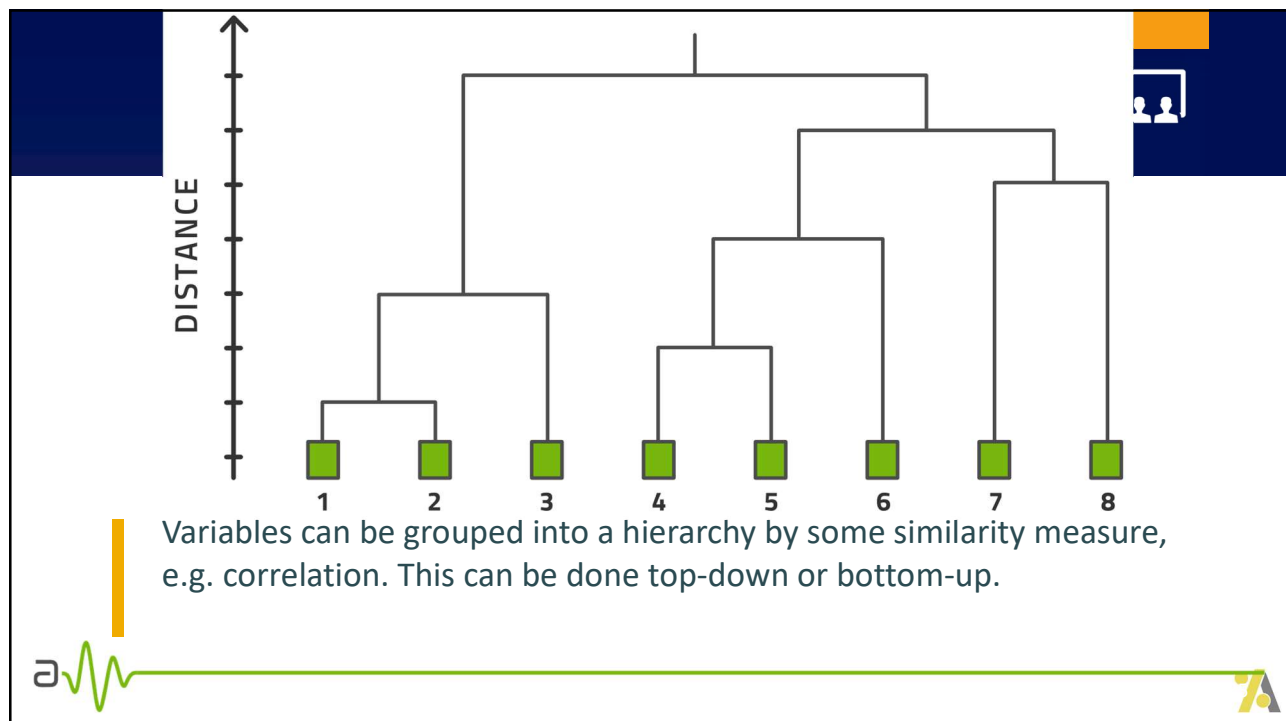


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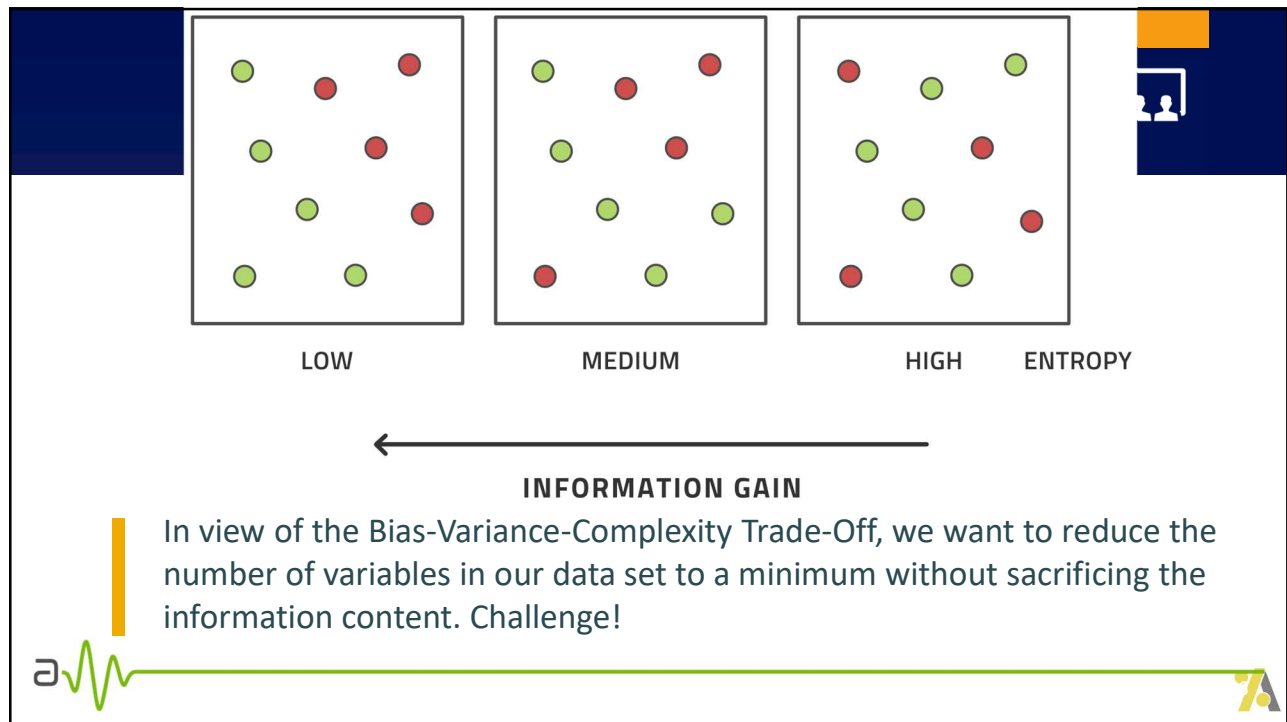


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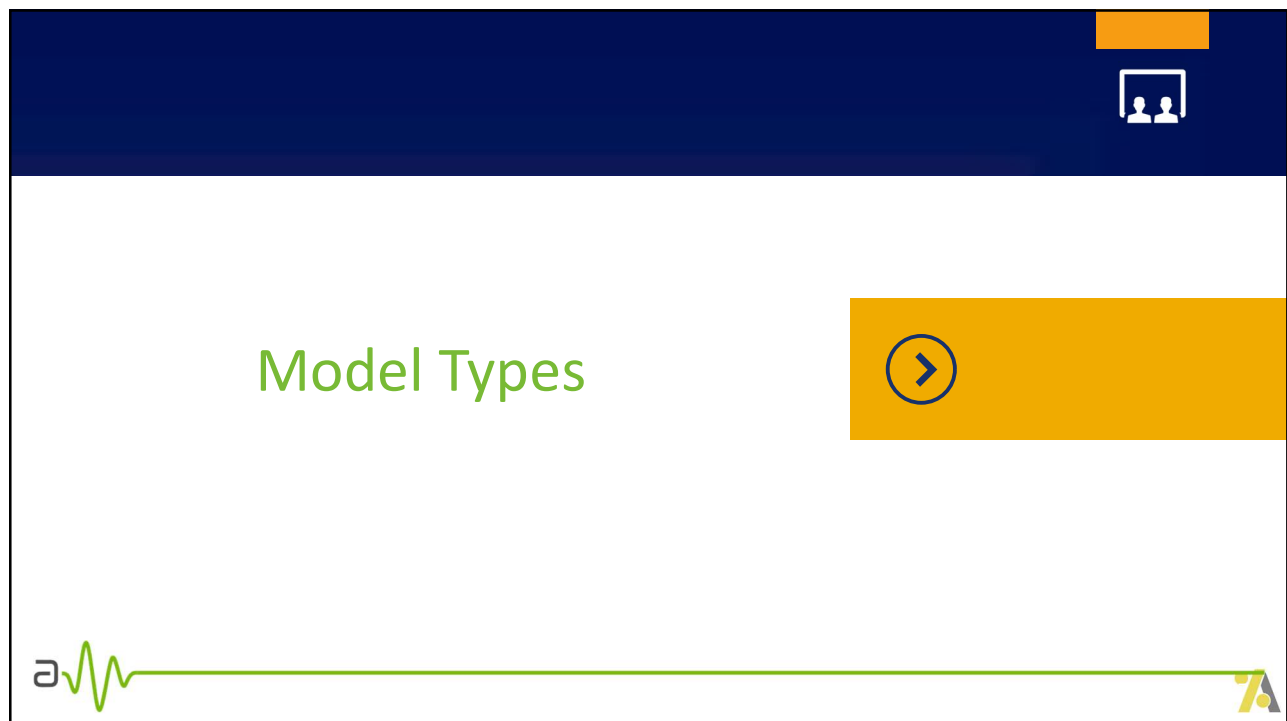


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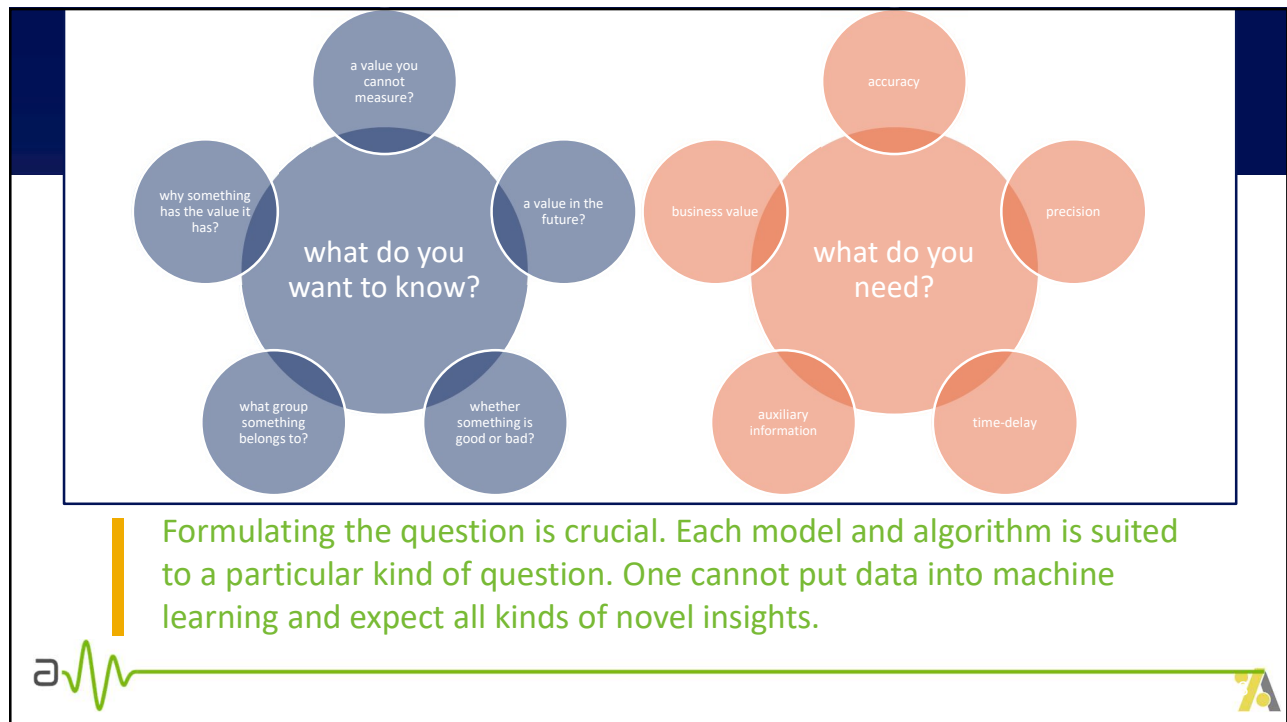


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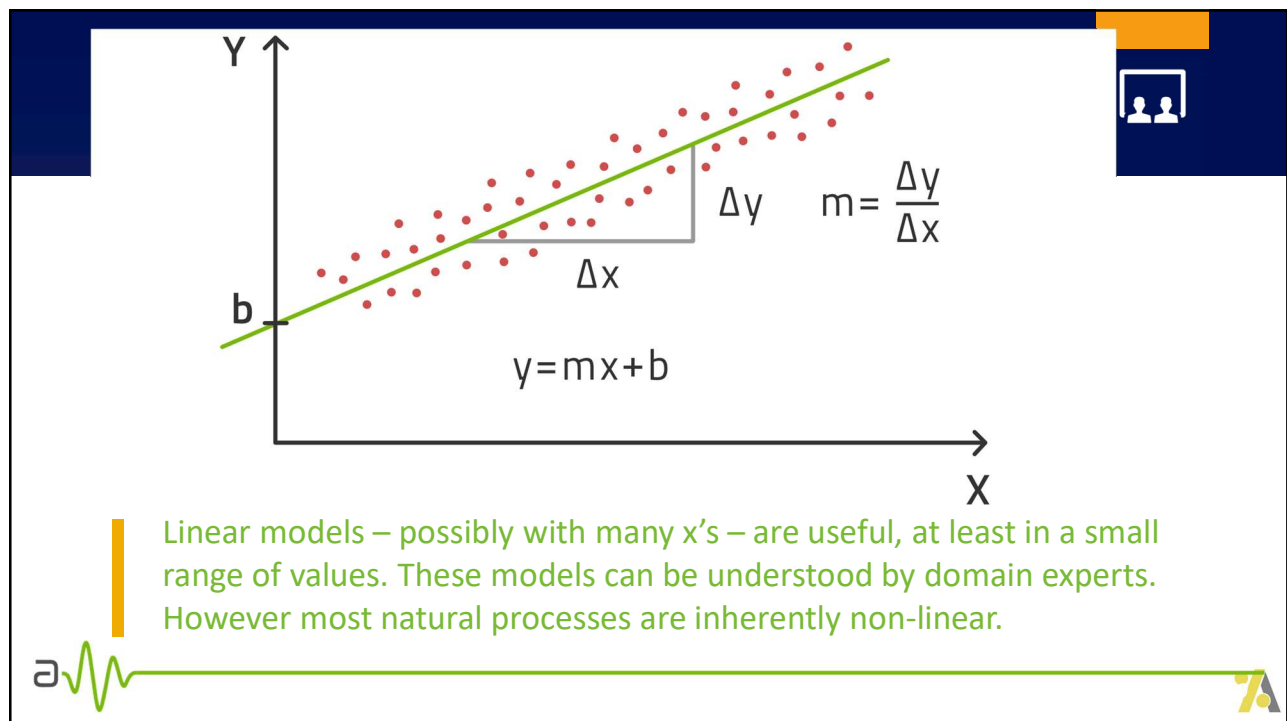


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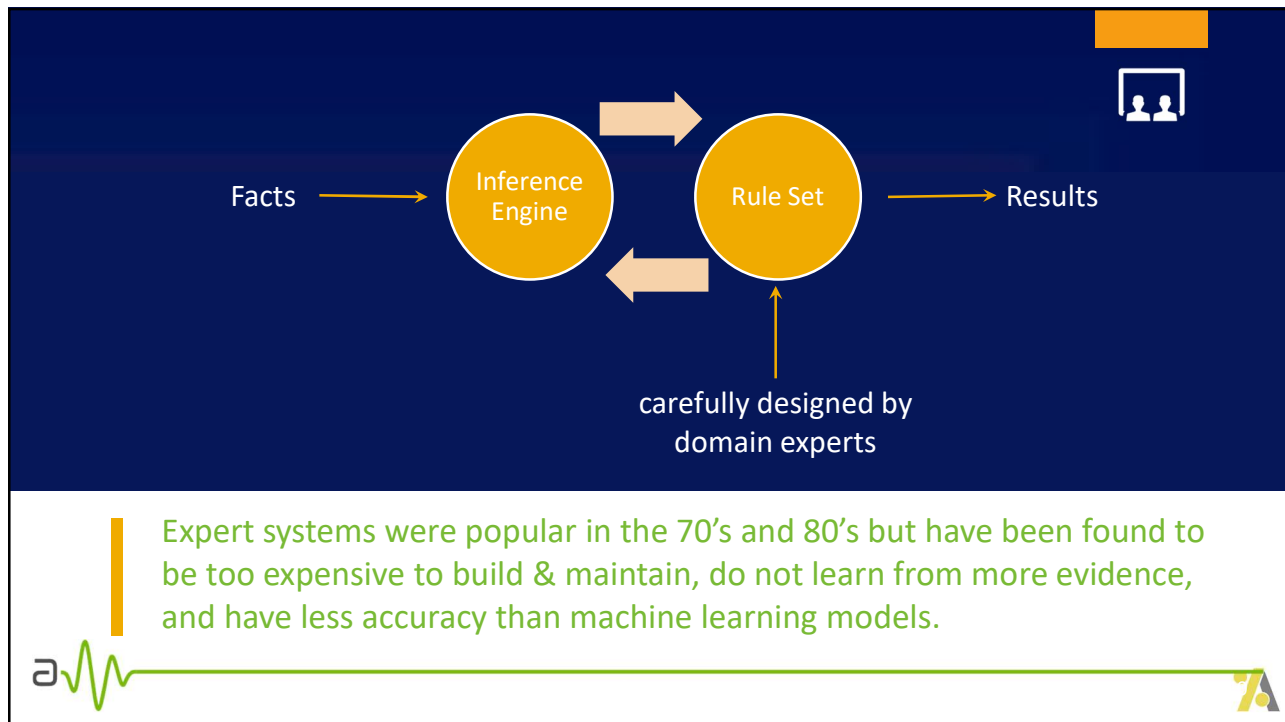


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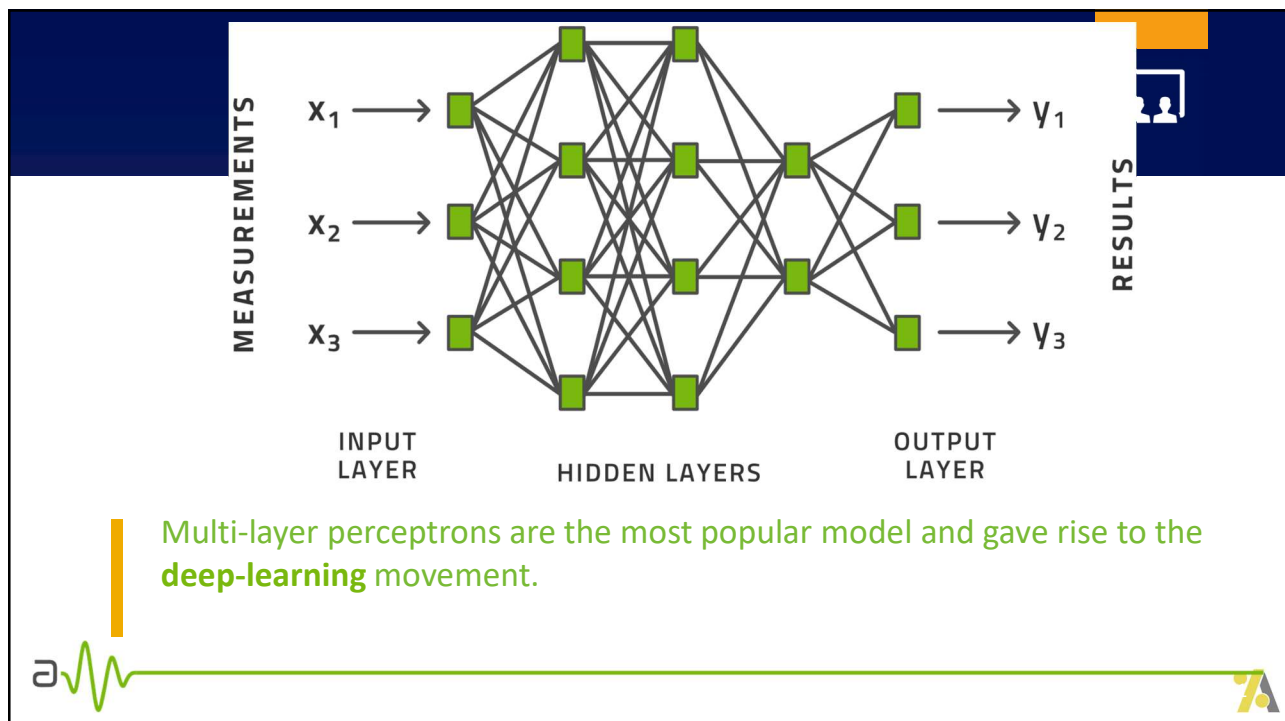


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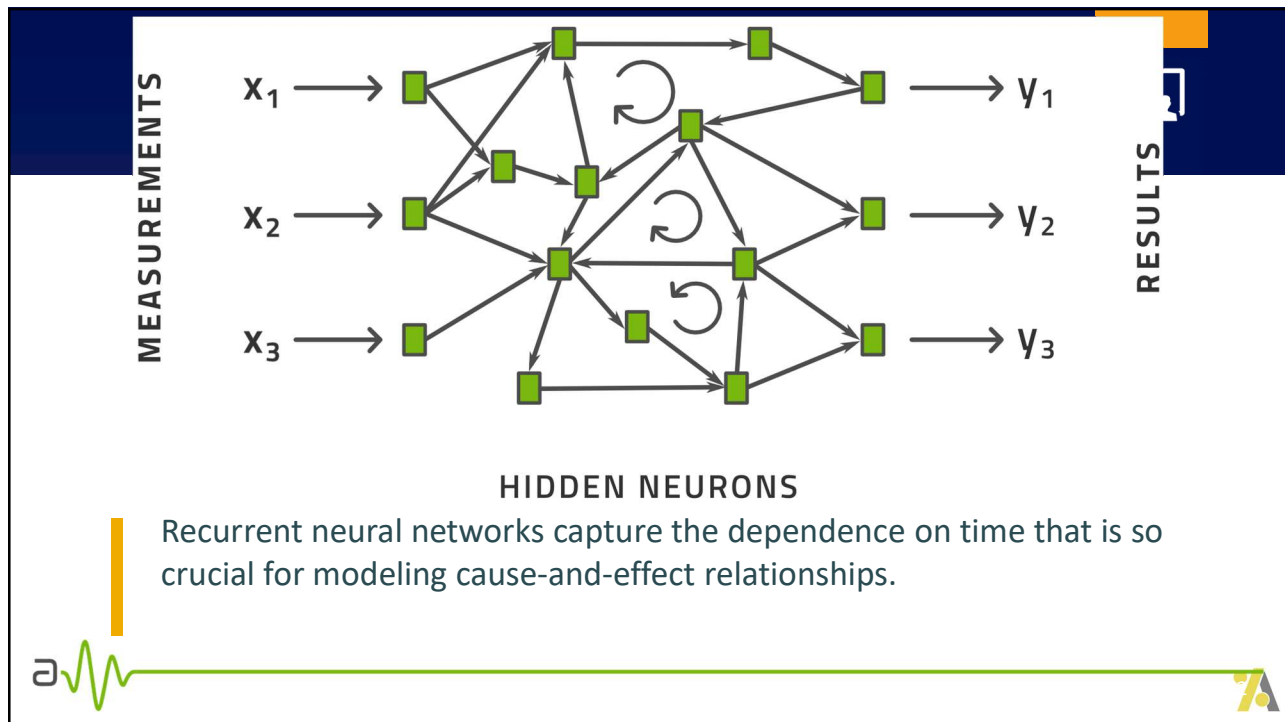
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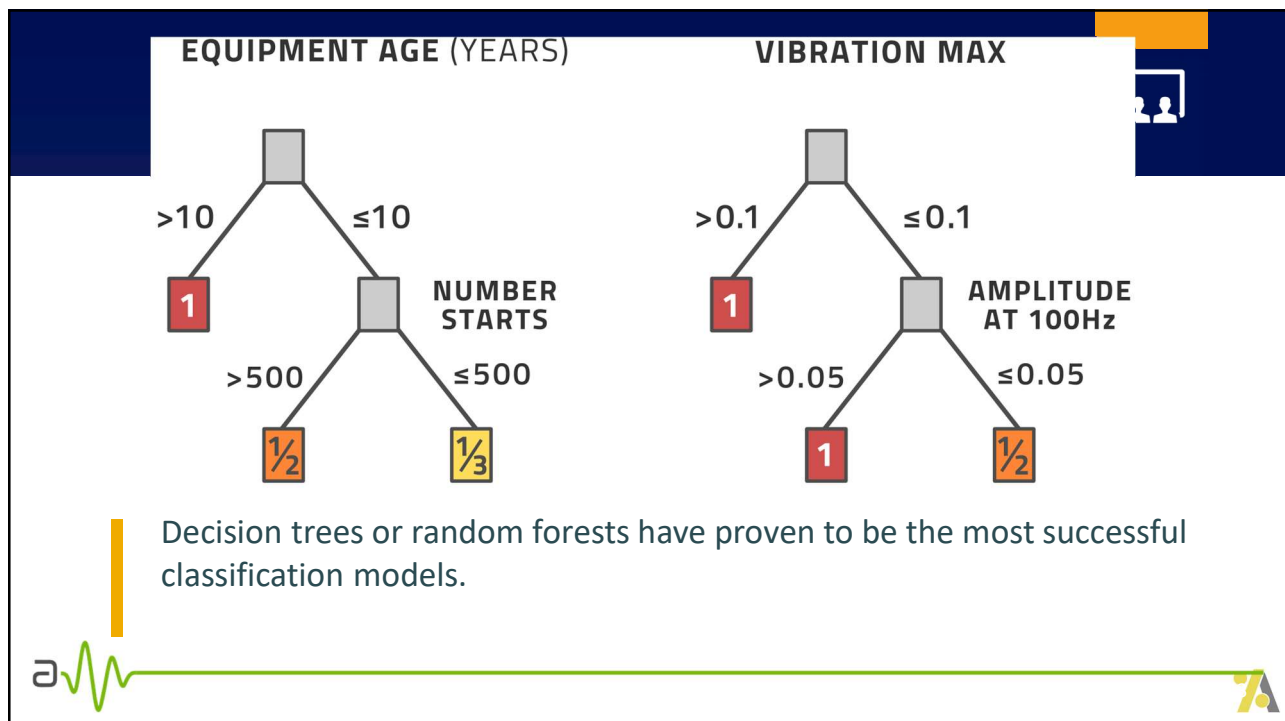
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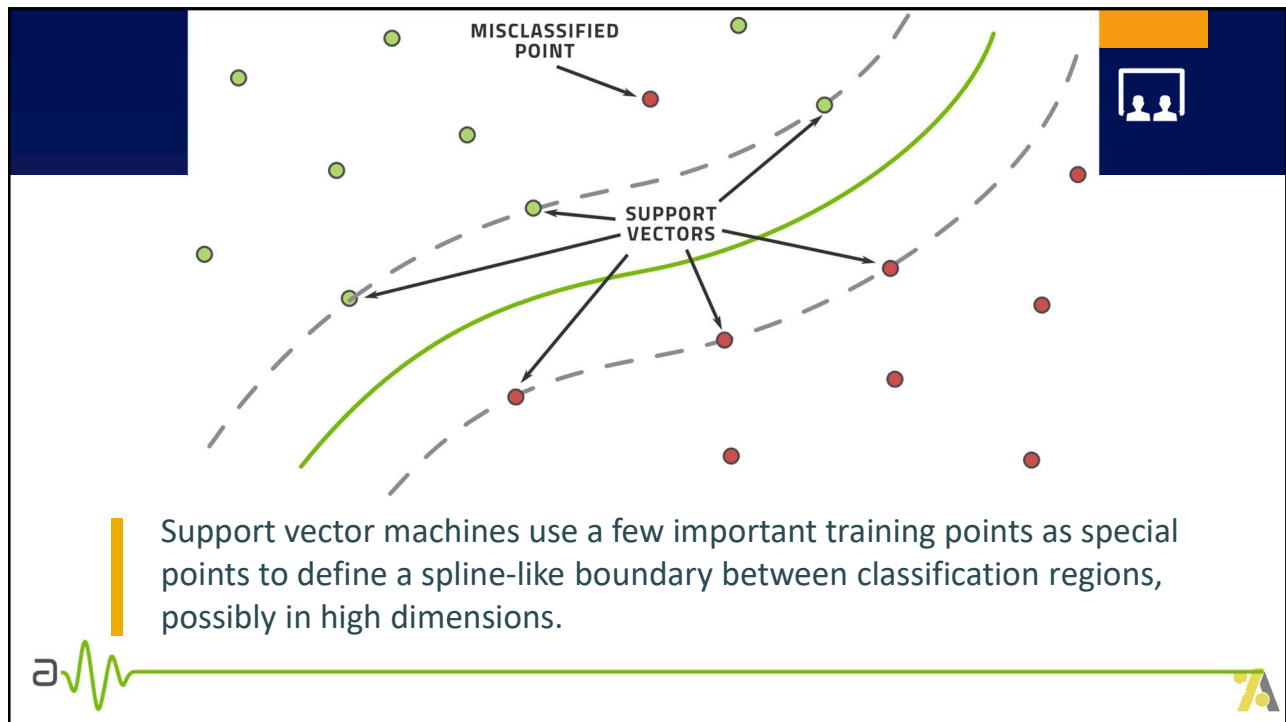


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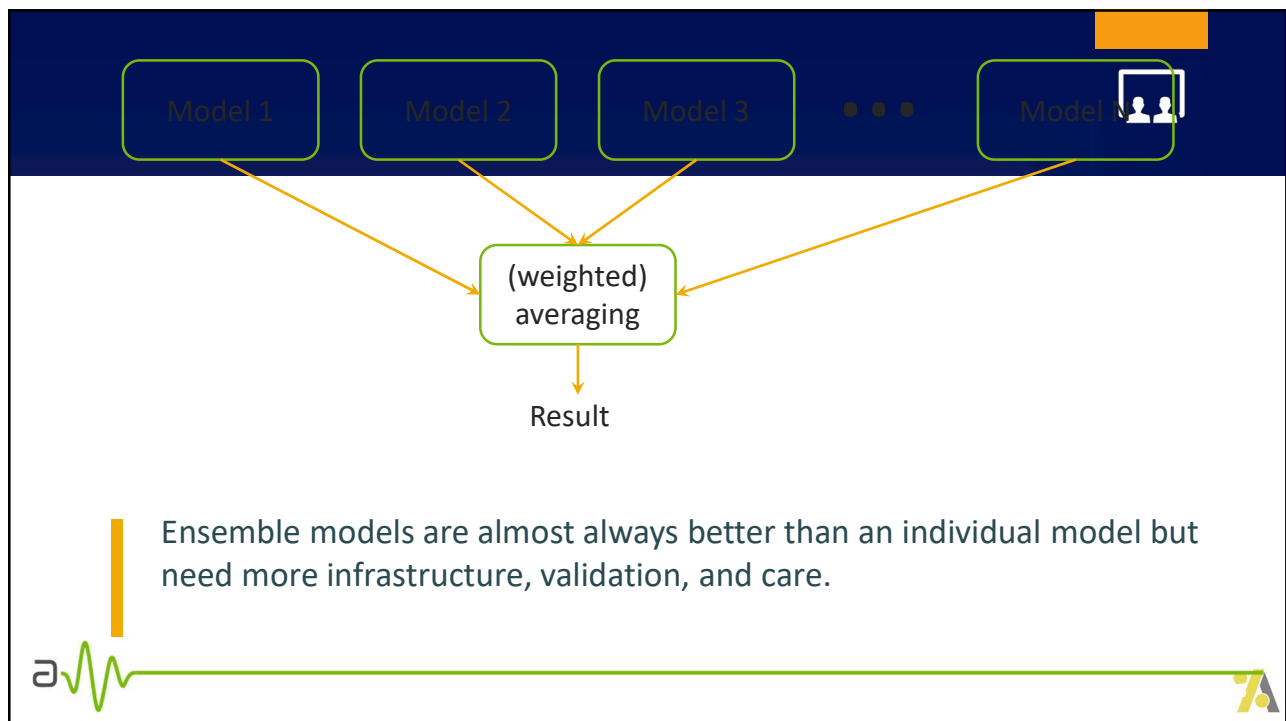


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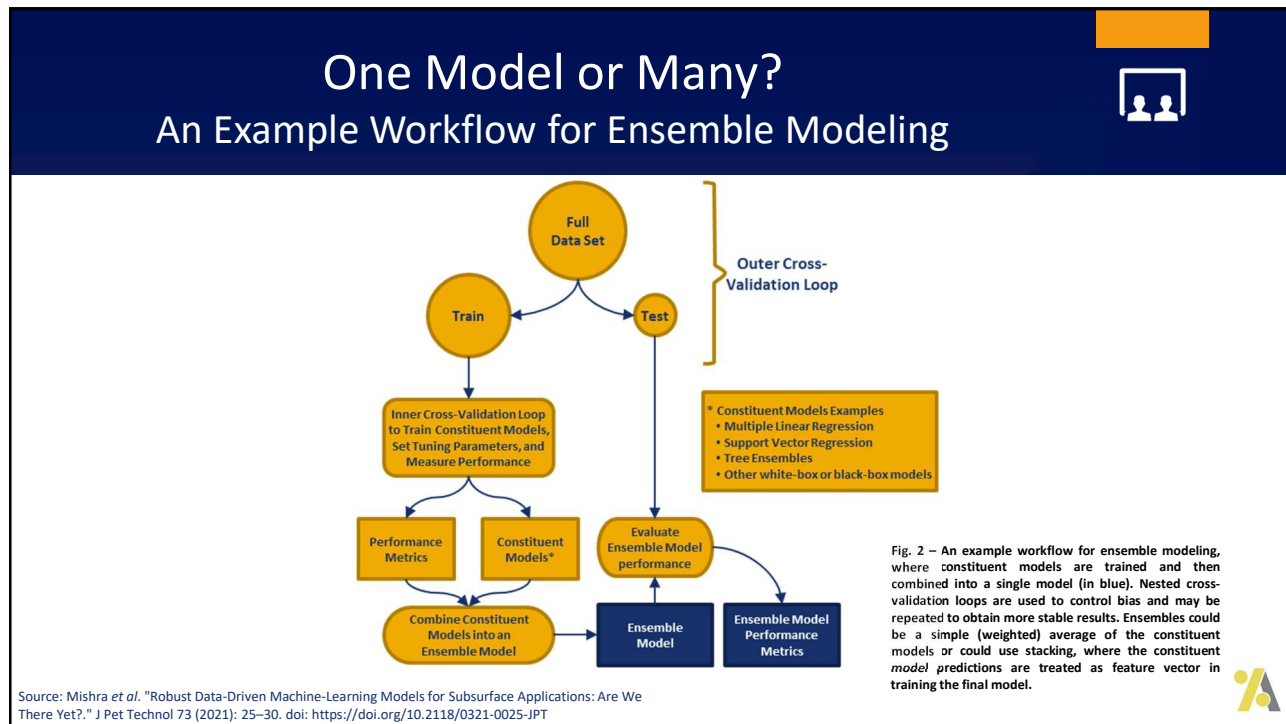
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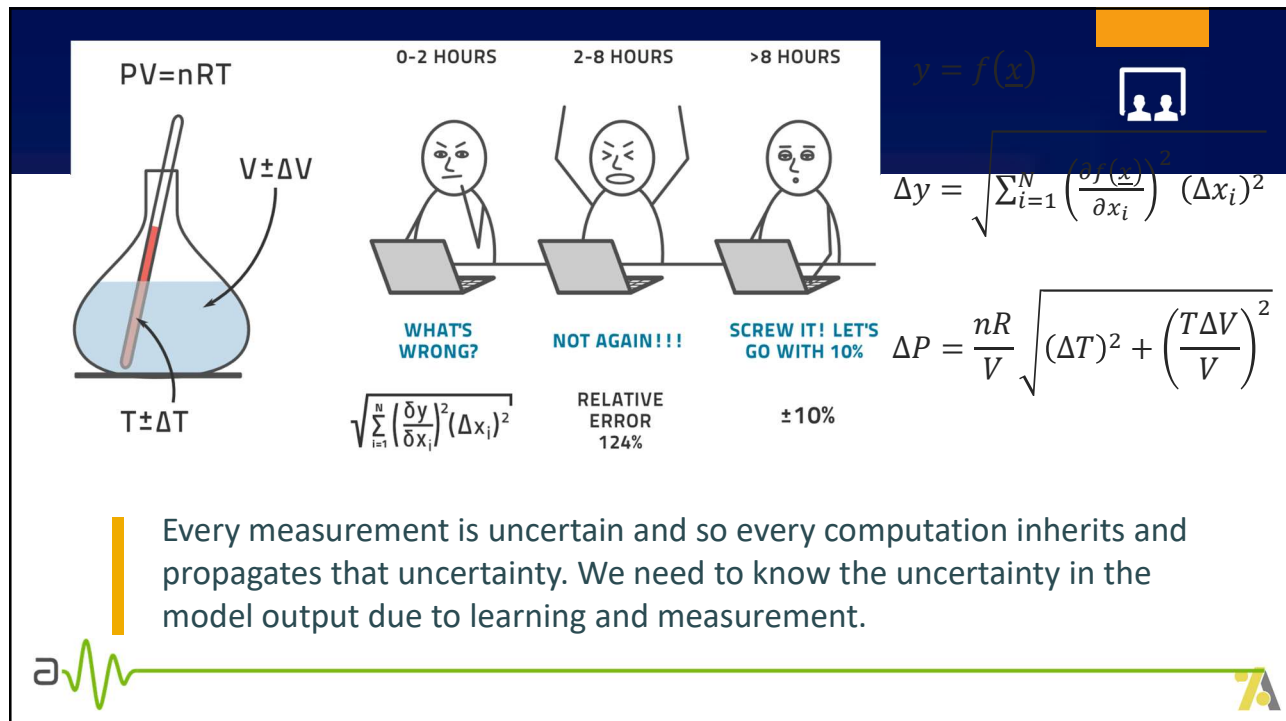
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Choosing the Right Model






- What is the desired outcome? classification, regression, time dependency, probability, explanation, visualization.
- Do we have teacher data? Supervised vs. unsupervised.
How much data do we have? Bias-variance-complexity.
- Select model that will represent the data in the manner needed.
Accuracy will depend mostly on data quality and quantity.
- Do not worry about accuracy at first! This is the last step and mostly differences between 95% and 99% are not felt.



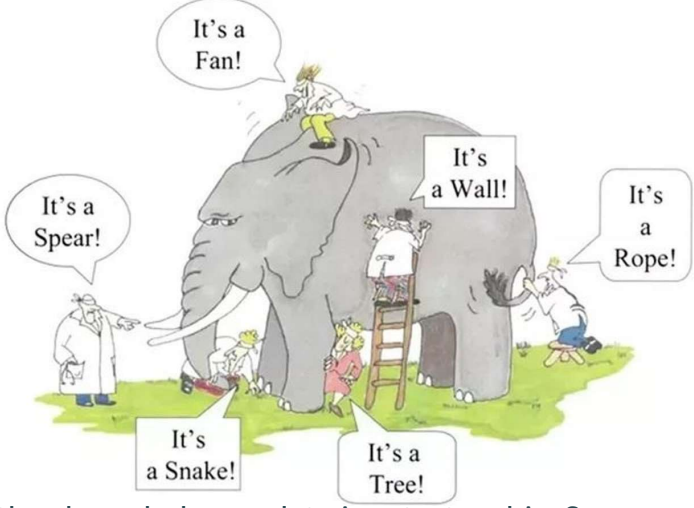
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Role of Domain Knowledge



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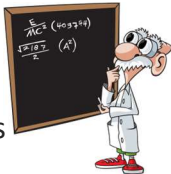

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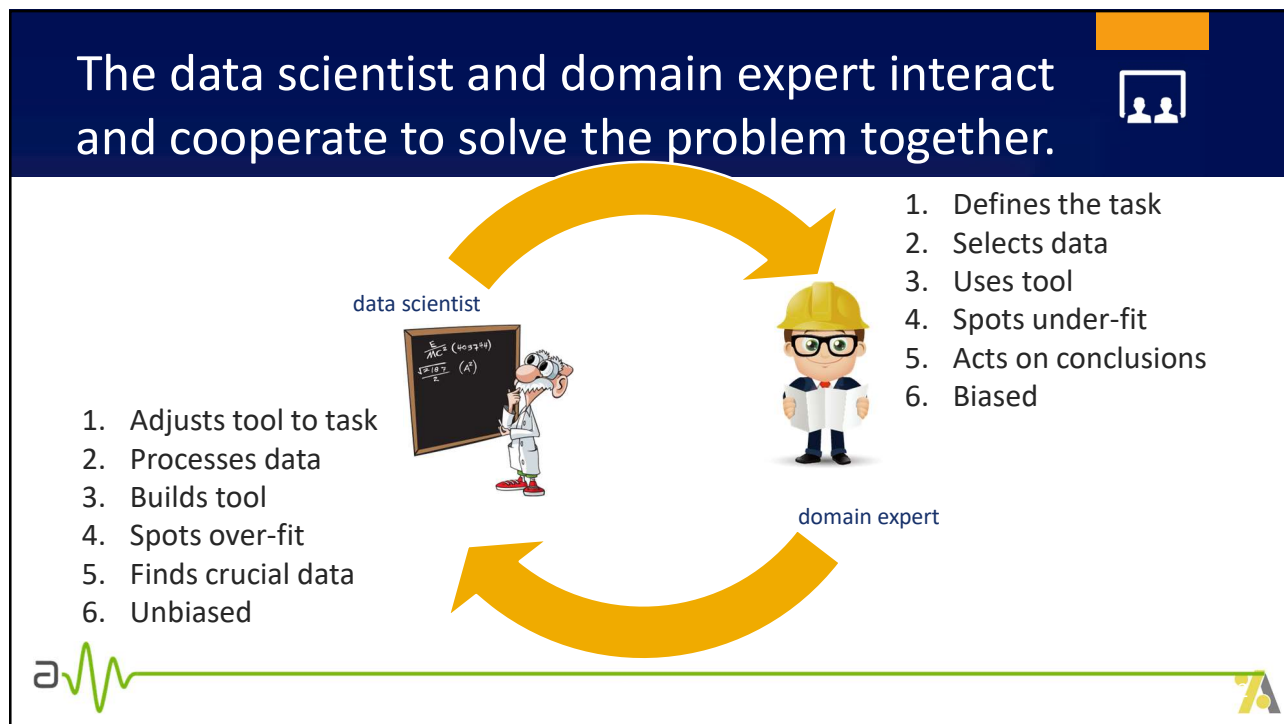
Lack of either knowledge or data is catastrophic. Sensors provide data about all important aspects. Domain knowledge provides context and use-case. Both must be representative and significant.

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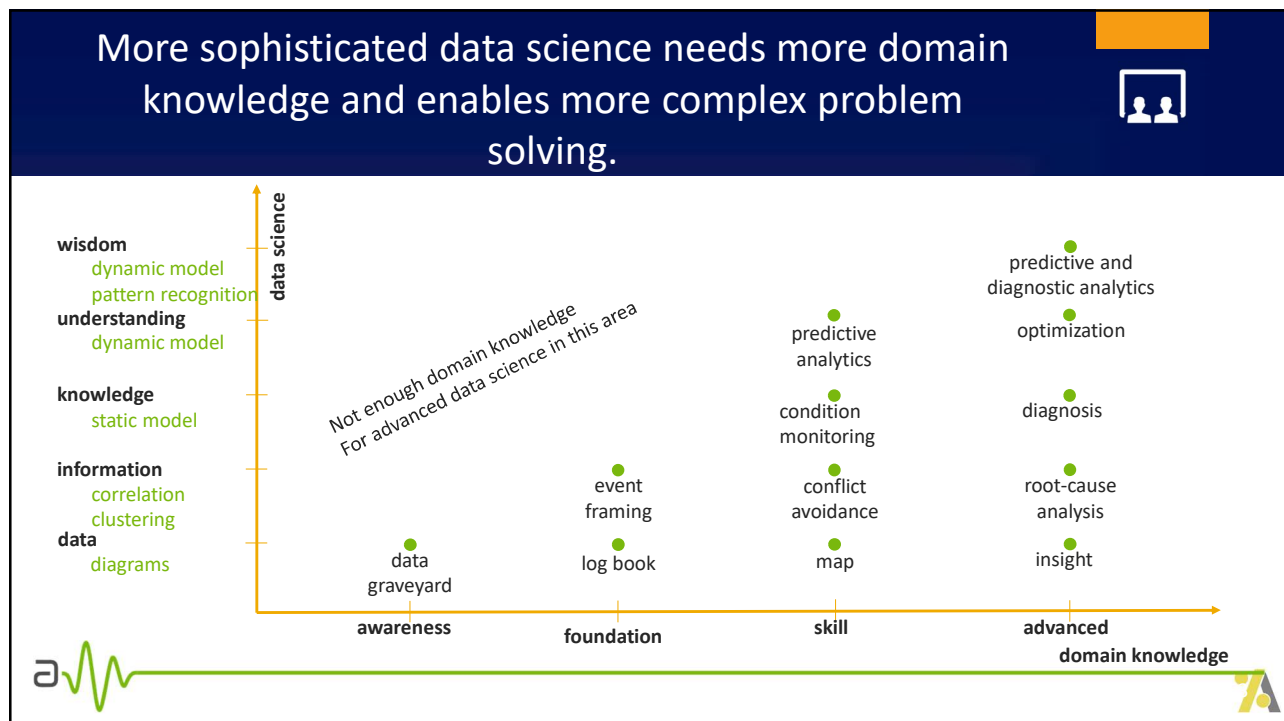
Are the data scientist and domain expert the same person?
No. They have different skill sets and knowledge.

data scientist		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Education in data2. Experience in data3. Availability of methods4. Configuration of tools5. Model quality6. Communication with technical staff		
		domain expert

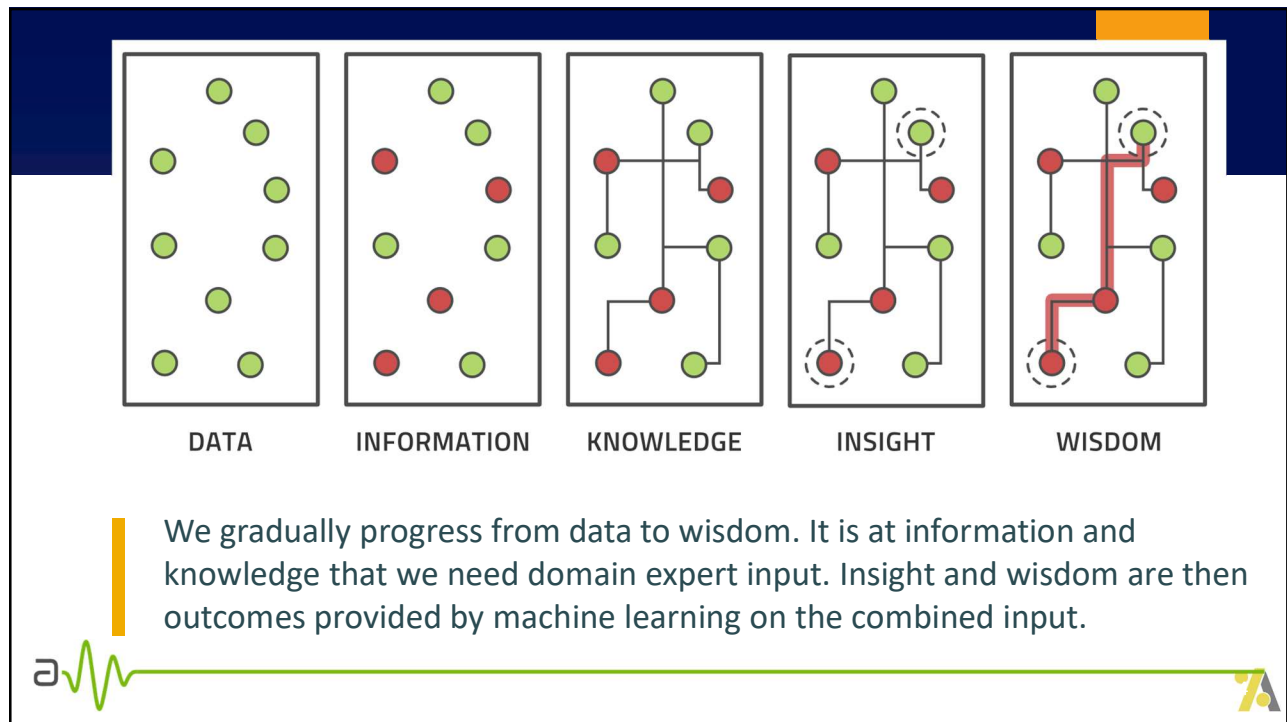
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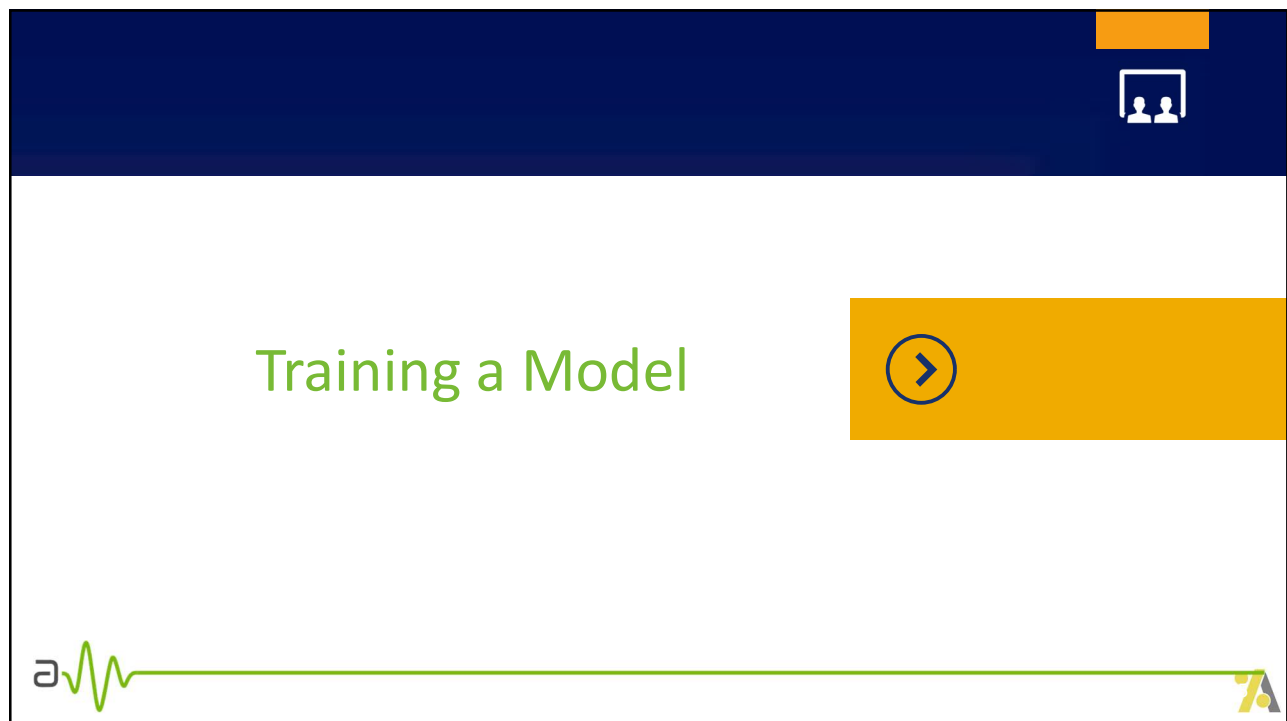
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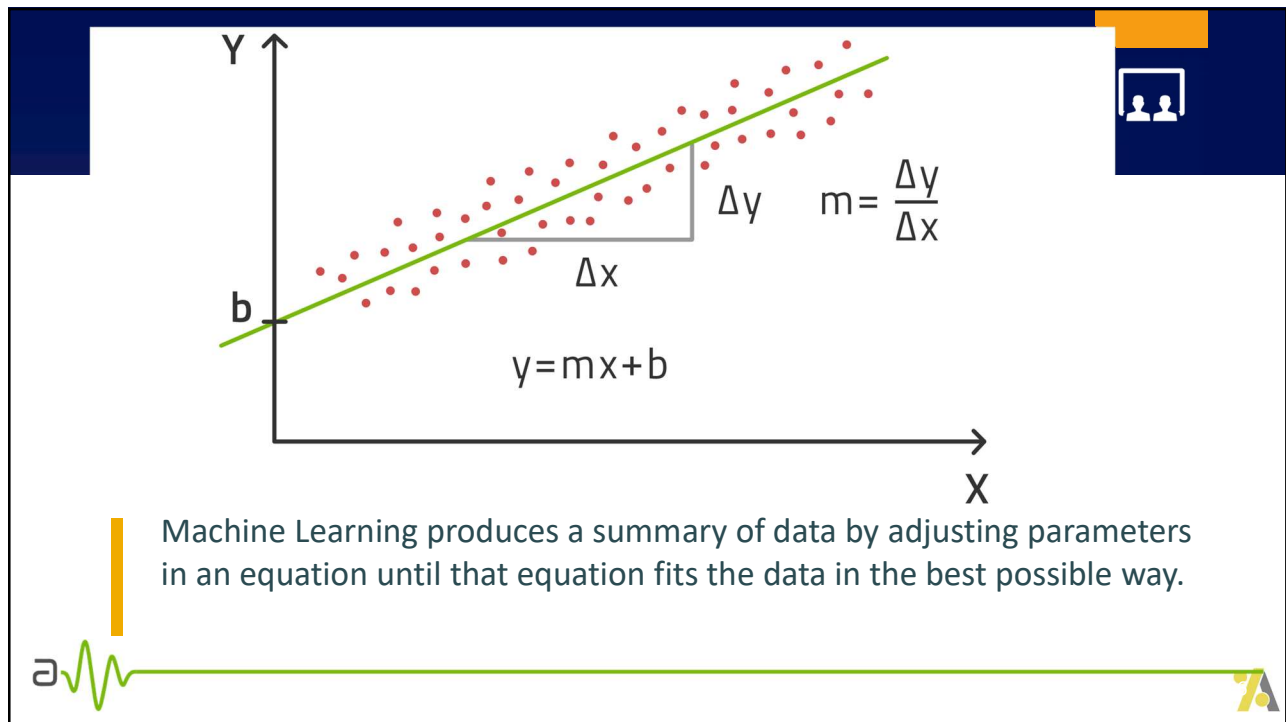
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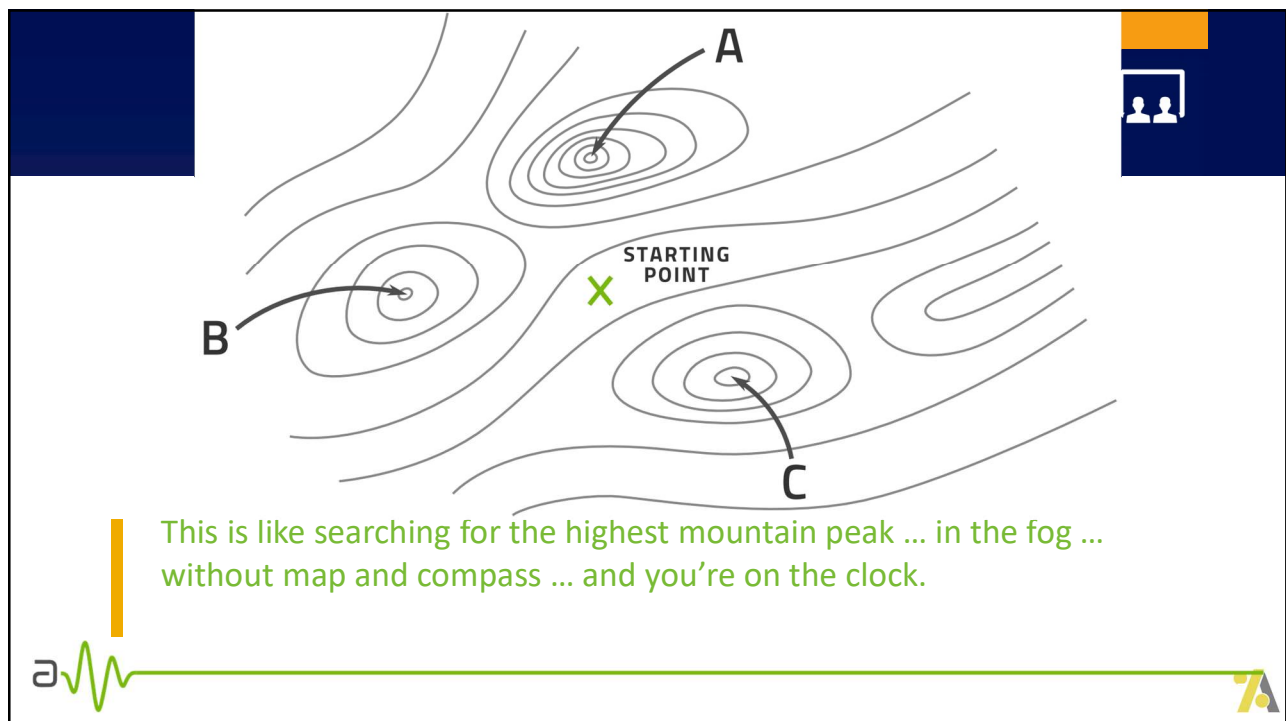
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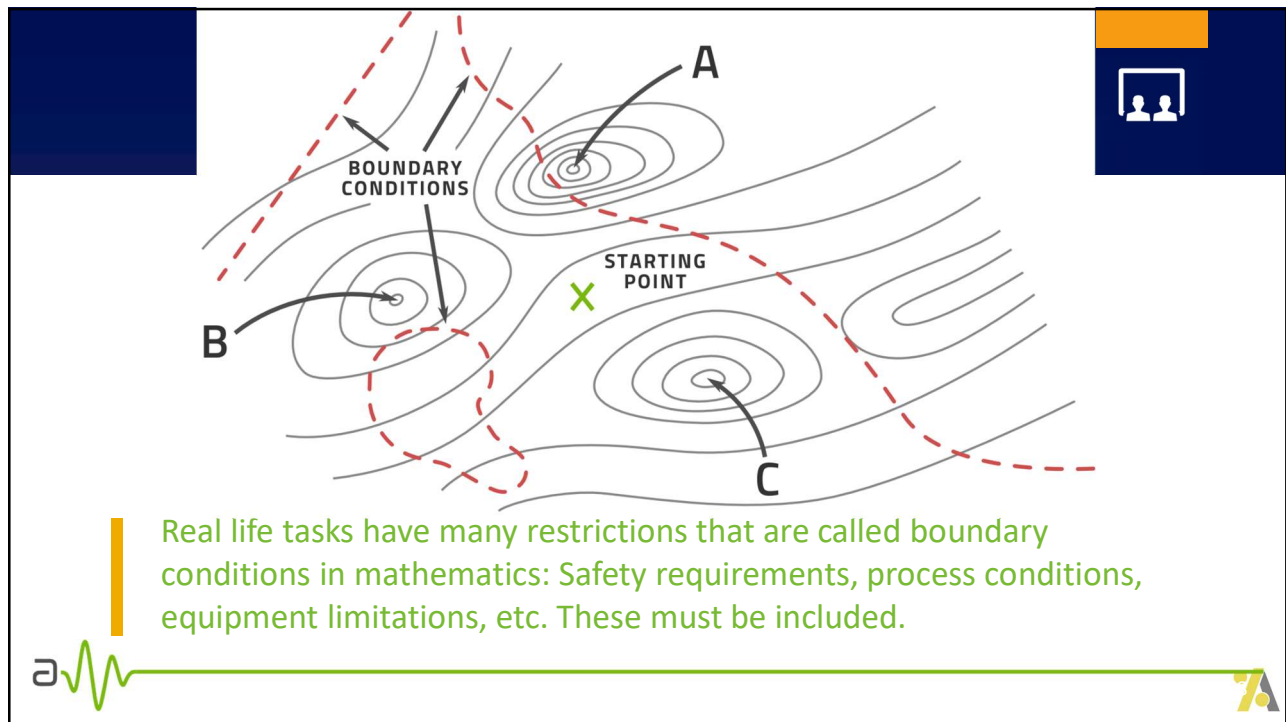
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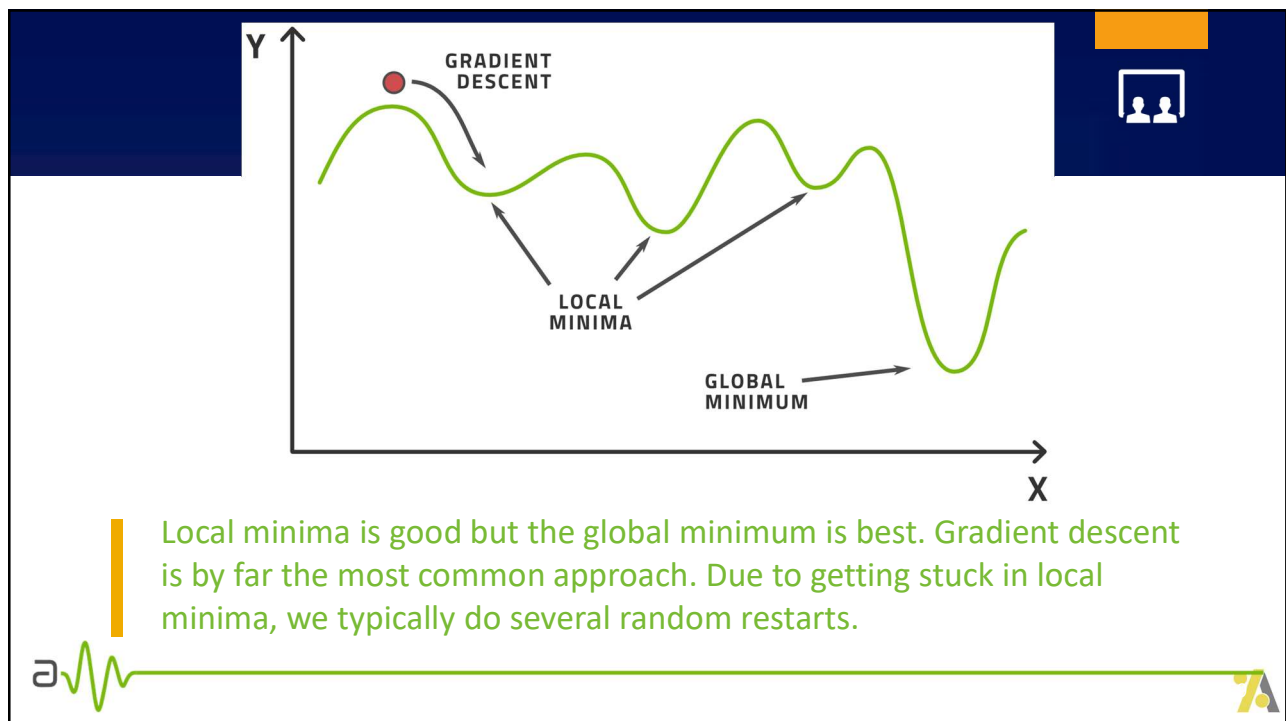
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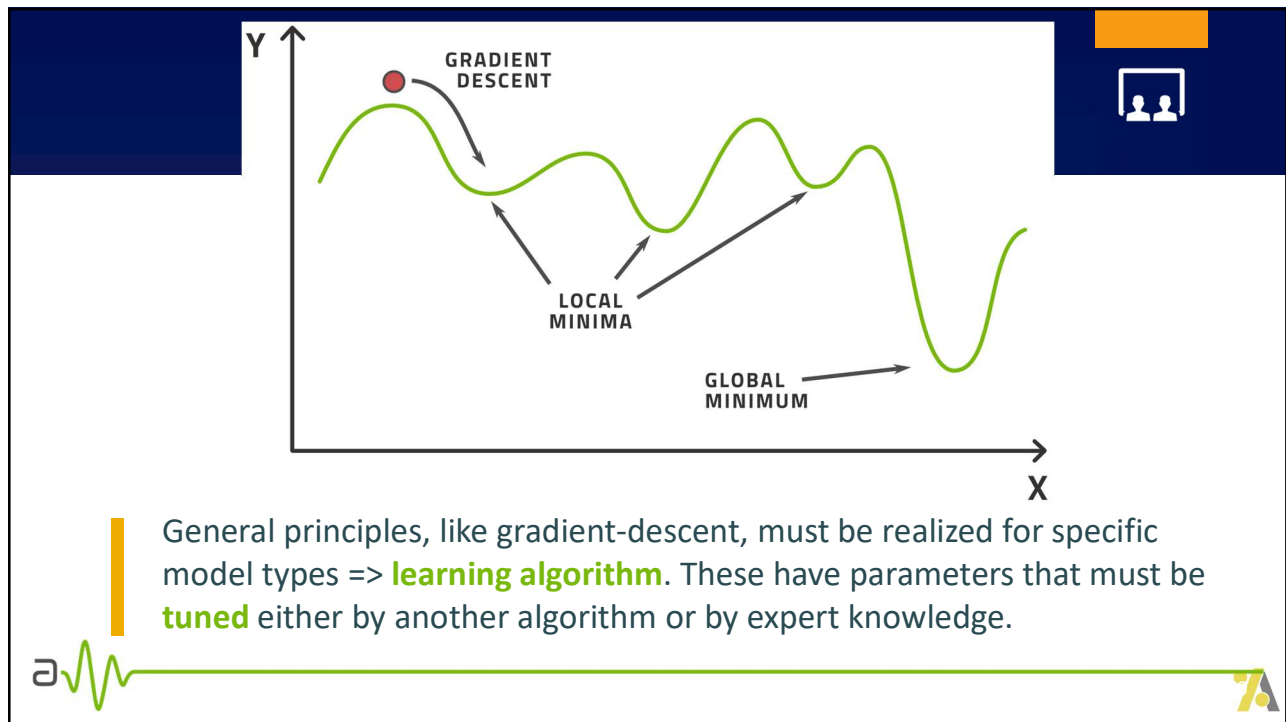
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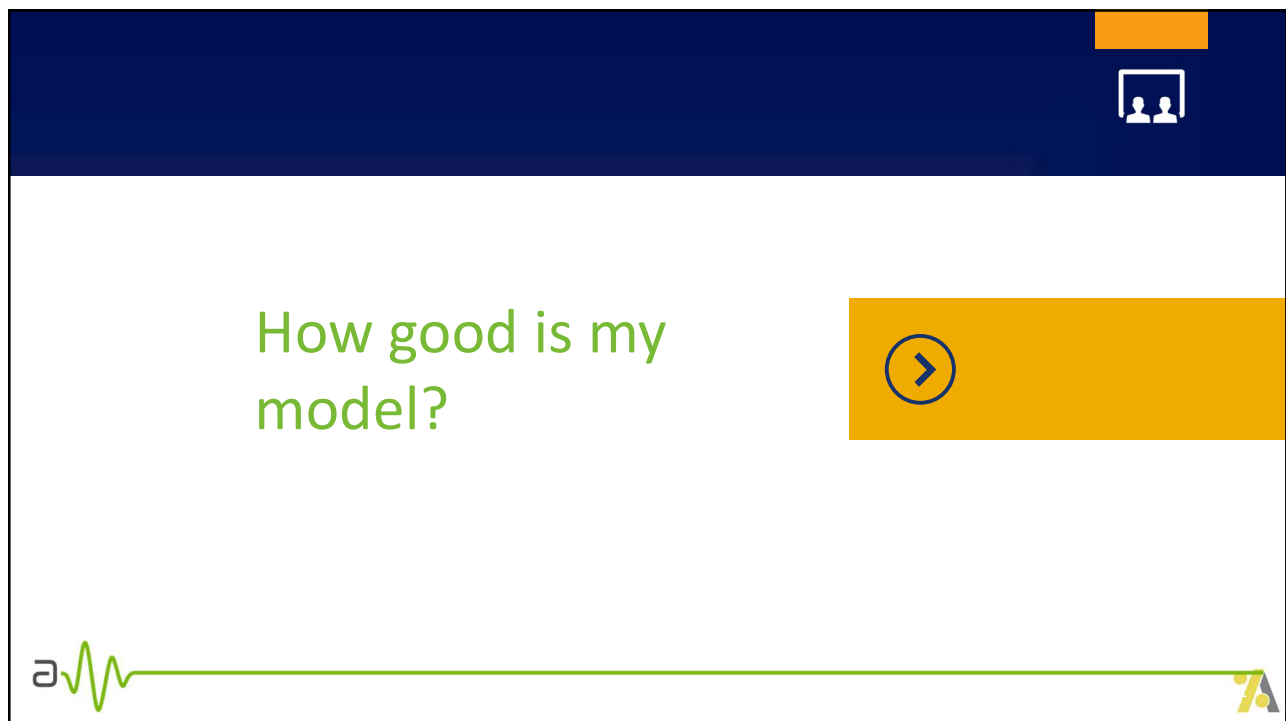
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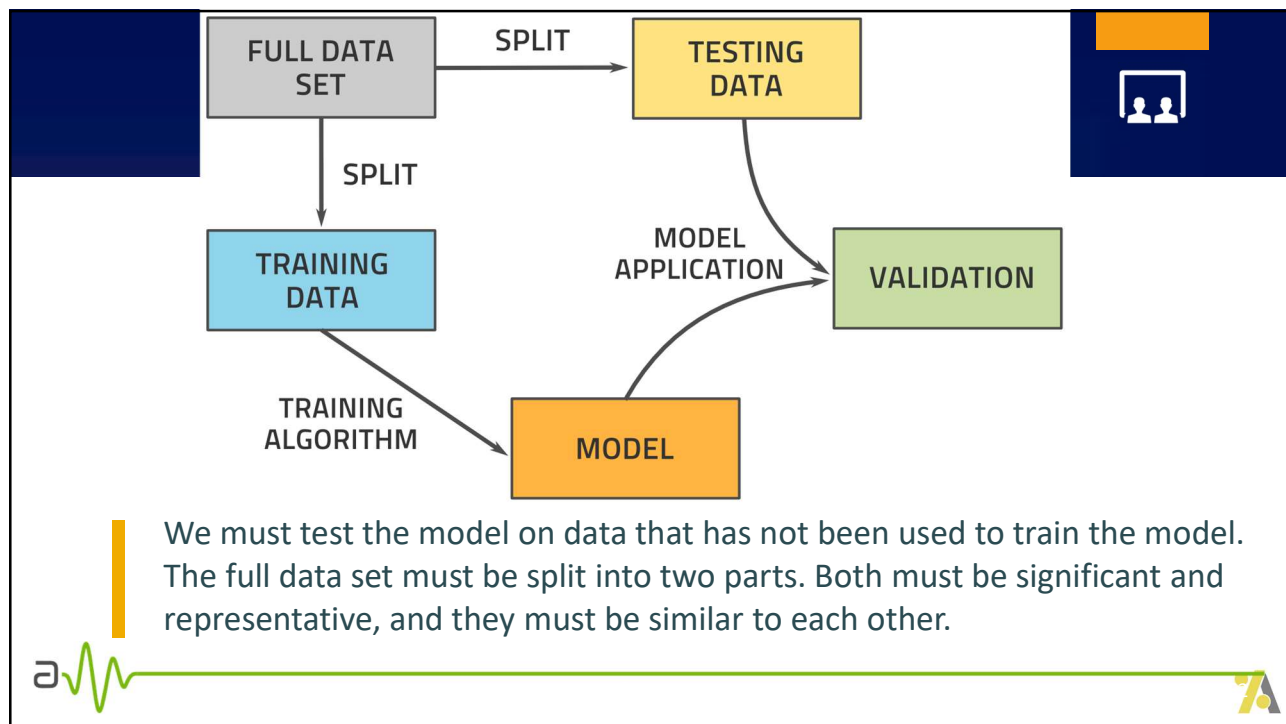
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Regression

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(y_i - y'_i)^2}{N}}$$

$$MAE = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{|y_i - y'_i|}{N}$$

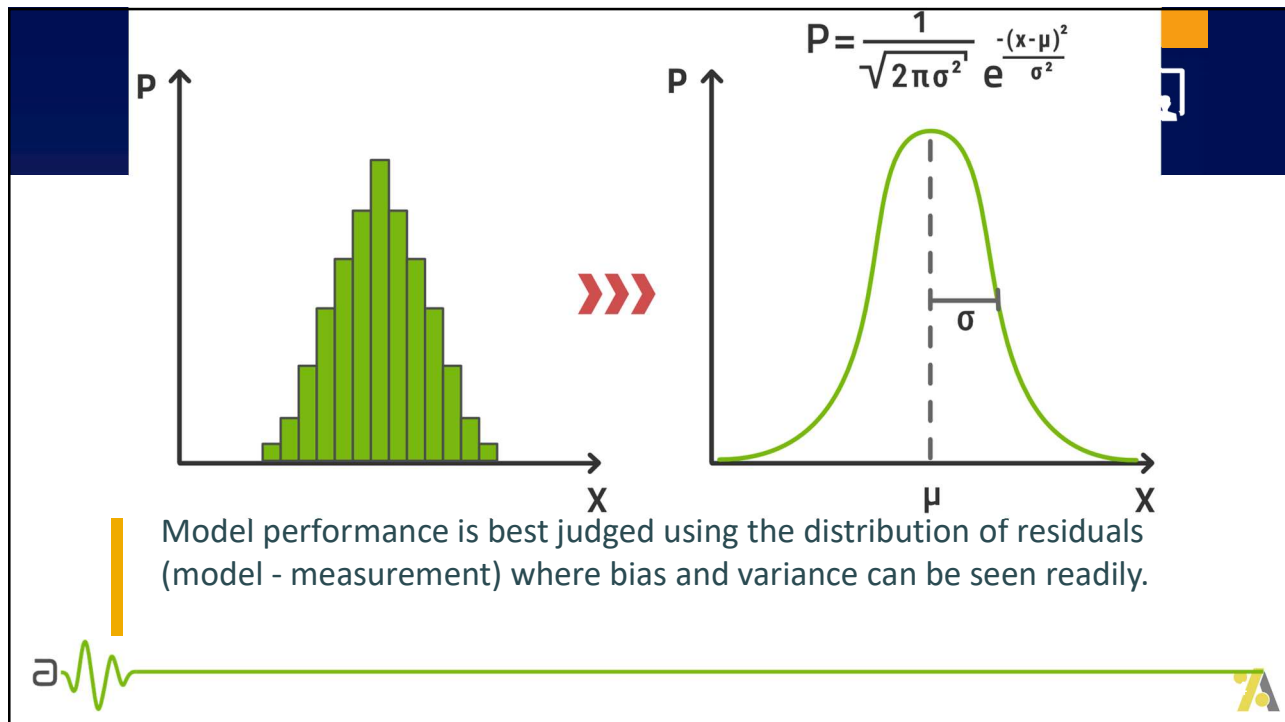
$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - y'_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

Classification

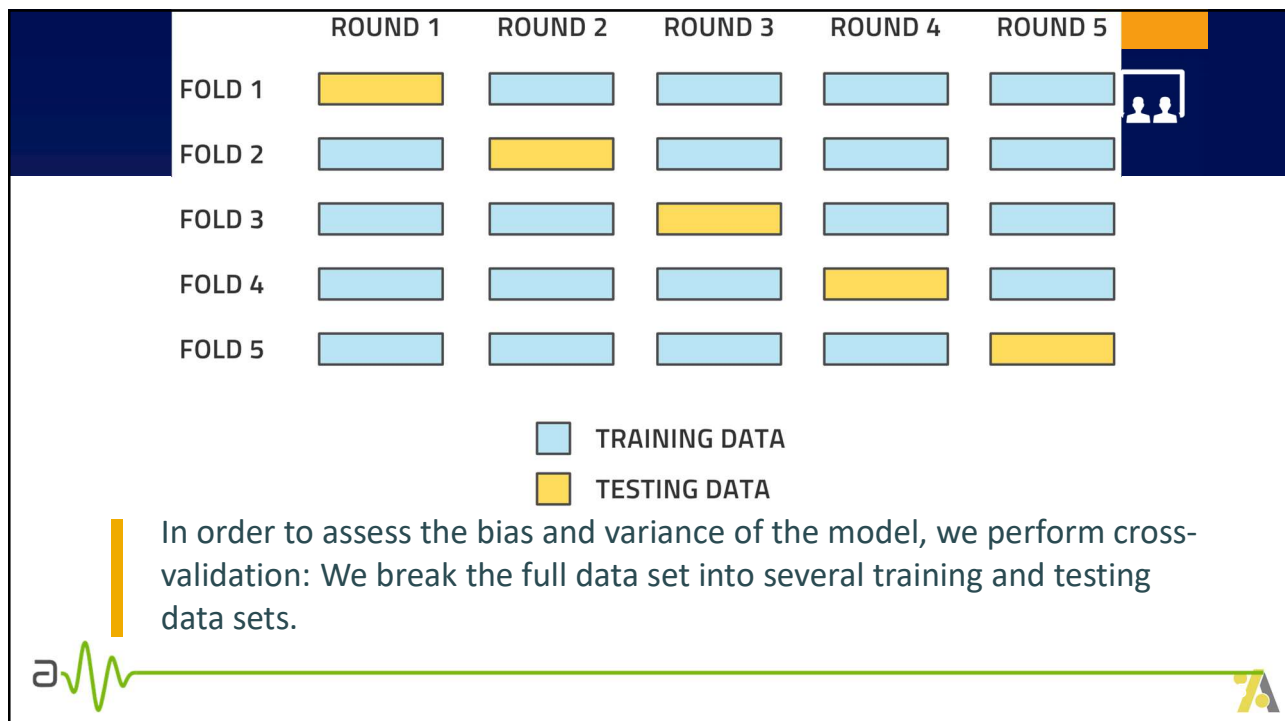
- Accuracy
- False positive rate
- False negative rate
- Statistical hypothesis testing
- Confusion matrix

Various methods to quantify model performance exist. They must be interpreted carefully. Unless the model is excellent, it is hard to quantify its goodness using a single number.

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$$bias = \sum_{i=1}^N bias_i$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{bias(1 - bias)}{N}}$$


$$error = bias \pm z_L \sigma$$


Confidence Level	z_L
80%	1.28
90%	1.645
95%	1.960
98%	2.33
99%	2.576
99.5%	2.807
99.9%	3.291



In cross-correlation, we have multiple models. If we take enough rounds (> 30), then these values are normally distributed (central limit theorem). What is the true error w.r.t. the population?

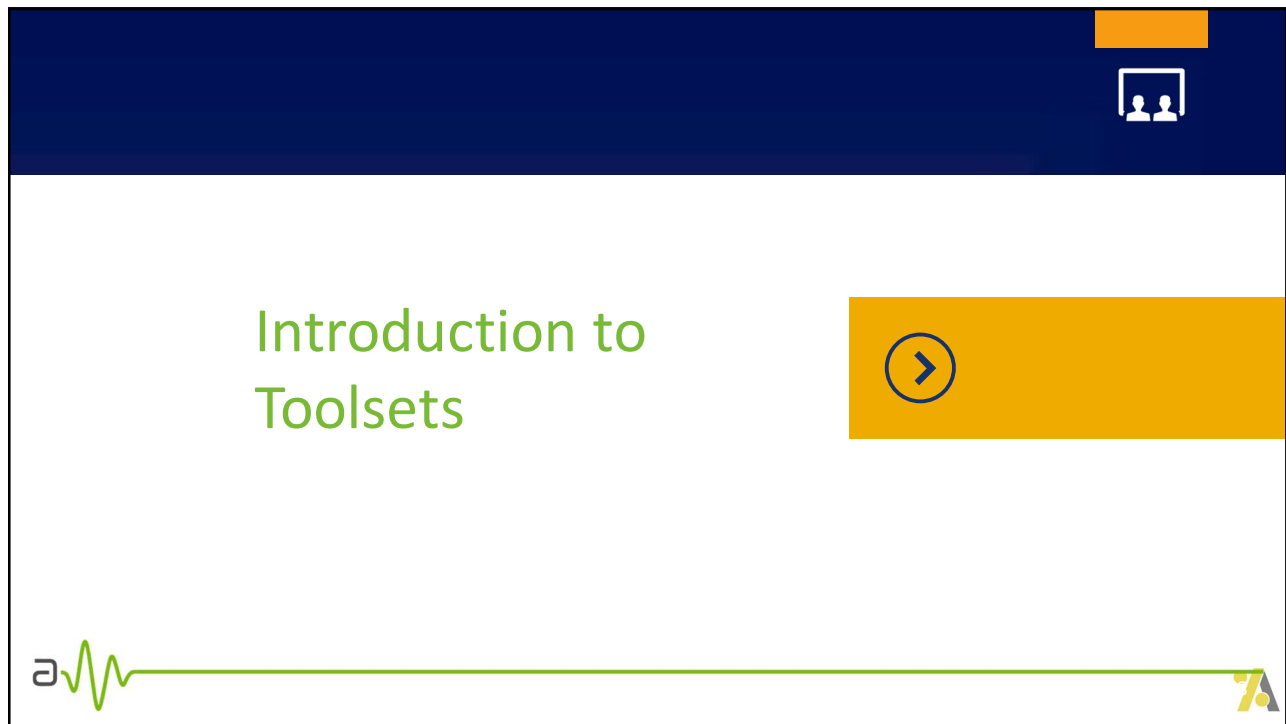
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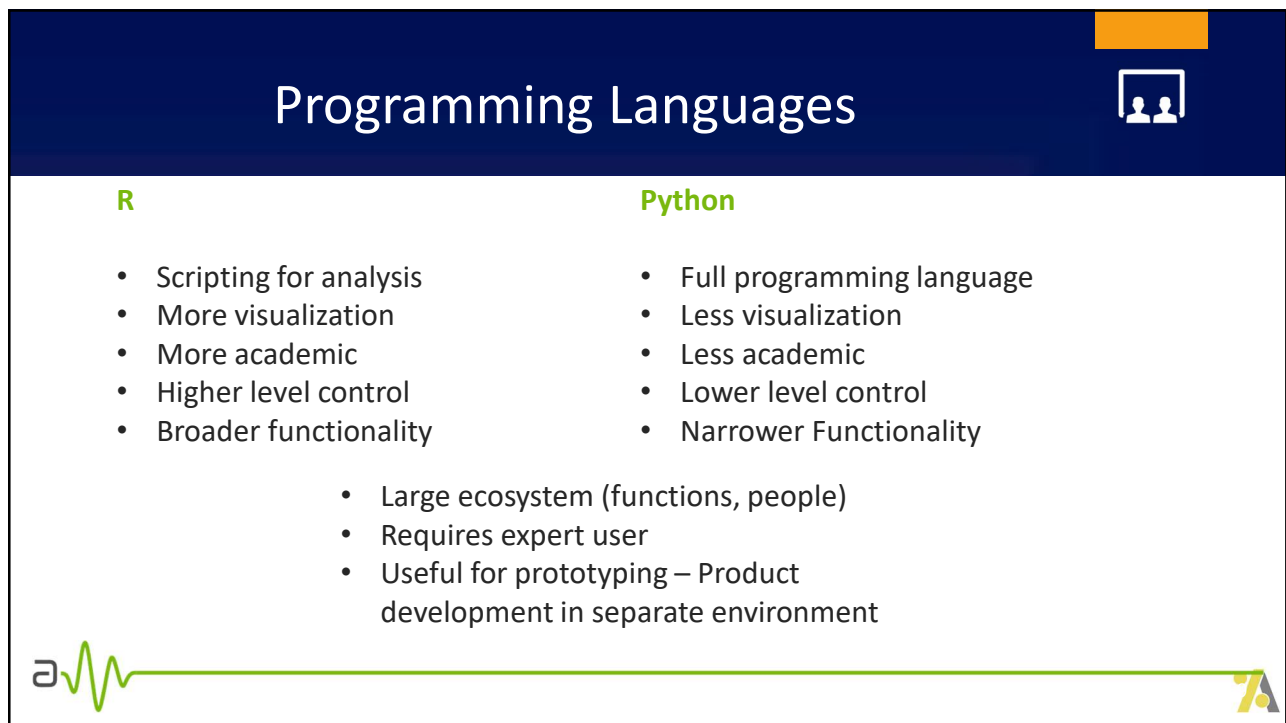
Goodness-of-fit measures mathematical accuracy. We must also determine fitness-for-purpose: Does this model deliver the added value we are seeking in the business problem?

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Introduction to Toolsets

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Programming Languages



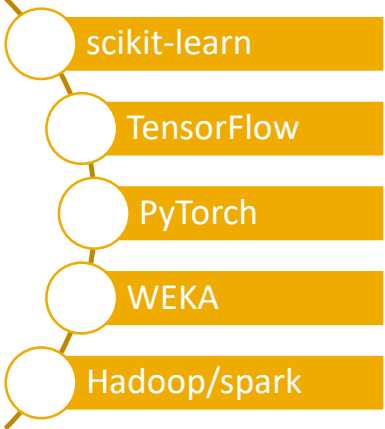
R	Python
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scripting for analysis• More visualization• More academic• Higher level control• Broader functionality	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full programming language• Less visualization• Less academic• Lower level control• Narrower Functionality
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large ecosystem (functions, people)• Requires expert user• Useful for prototyping – Product development in separate environment	

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Frameworks



- Frameworks are high-level languages that do not need full programming
- They offer good interfaces to a variety of algorithms
- Generally useful only for model building and analysis
- Data preparation, cleaning, import/export, interactivity, productive use is done elsewhere



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Deploying is More Complex than Training

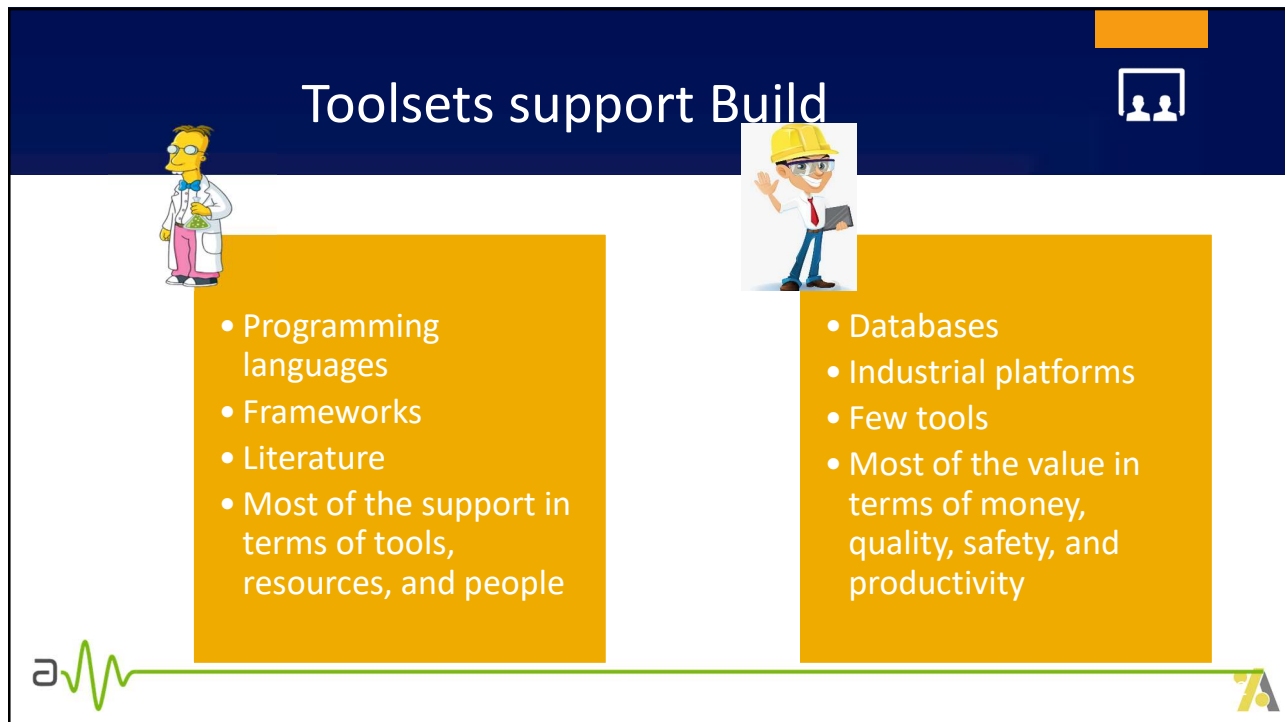


- Data Cleansing
- Analysis
- Learning
- Assessment
- Fine-Tuning
- Data Science

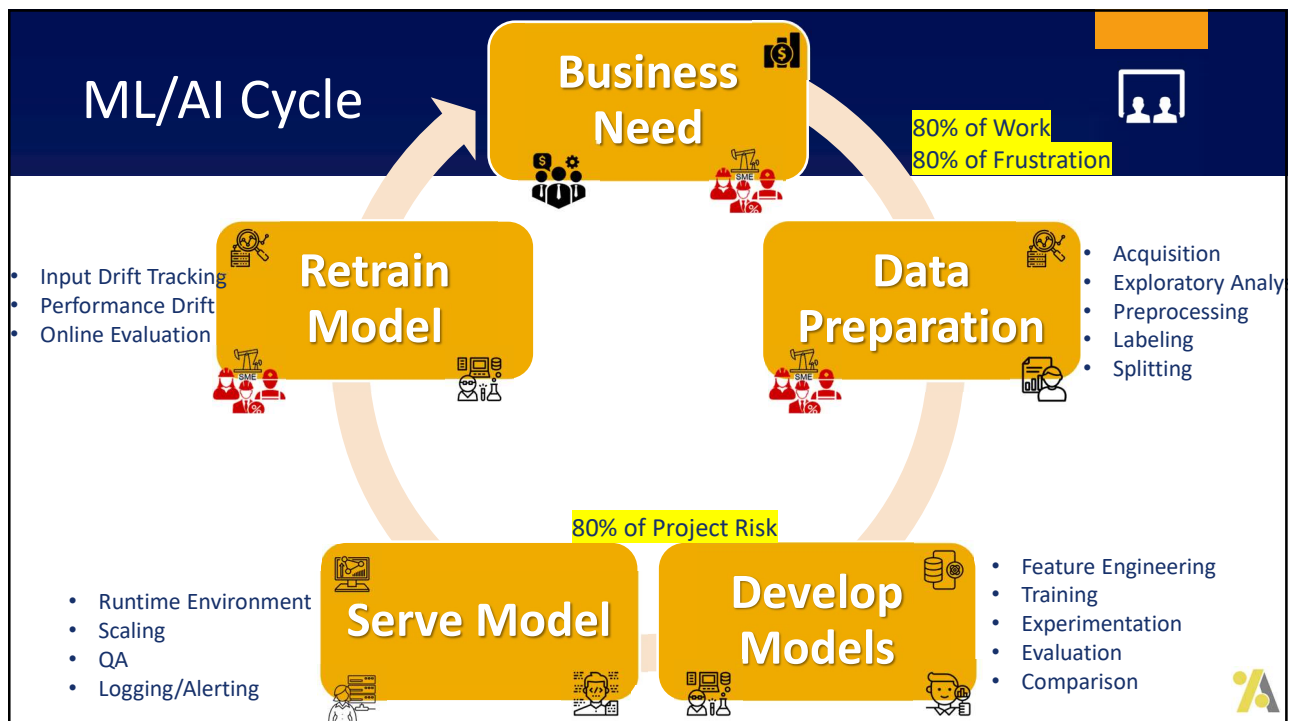
- Data Interfaces
- User Interface
- Scalability (speed, space)
- Visualization
- Workflow Integration
- Management & Reporting



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Plentiful Online Resources on Developing ML Skills



1. Free online machine learning curriculum (huyenchip.com):
<https://huyenchip.com/2019/08/05/free-online-machine-learning-curriculum.html>
2. 2020 Machine Learning Roadmap (95% valid for 2023):
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pHiMN_gy9mk
3. ...
4. ...





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Machine learning in production: expectation vs. reality... see more

ML in production: expectation

1. Collect data
2. Train model
3. Deploy model
4. 


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Machine learning in production: expectation vs. reality... see more


ML in production: reality

1. Choose a metric to optimize
2. Collect data
3. Train model
4. Realize many labels are wrong -> relabel data
5. Train model
6. Model performs poorly on one class -> collect more data for that class
7. Train model
8. Model performs poorly on most recent data -> collect more recent data
9. Train model
10. Deploy model
11. Dream about \$\$\$
12. Wake up at 2am to complaints that model biases against one group -> revert to older version
13. Get more data, train more, do more testing
14. Deploy model
15. Pray
16. Model performs well but revenue not increases -> choose a different metric
17. Cry
18. Start over

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*All Jokes aside, how do we begin with AI/ML
in ARTIFICIAL-Lift?*




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Identifying Gas-Lift Use Cases



- Below problems encountered in gas lift and discuss which category of ML (supervised or unsupervised) they might belong to.
 1. Slugging
 2. Optimal injection depth
 3. Over/under-injection
 4. Multi-pointing

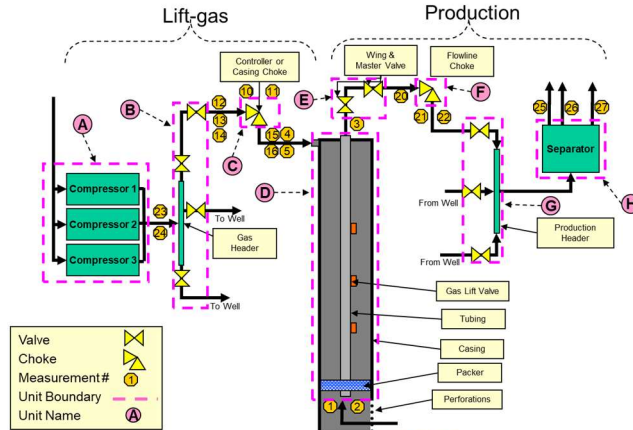


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Identifying Gas-Lift Use Cases



Draw Boundary around items with no measurements



Control volumes around critical measurement points

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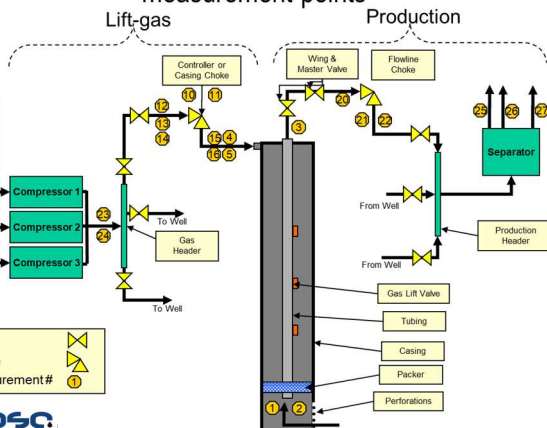
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Identifying Gas-Lift Use Cases



Draw the real-world diagram indicating measurement points



Description of Measurement Points in Diagram

1	Bottom hole pressure	Well (Subsurface)
2	Bottom hole temperature	Well (Subsurface)
3	Flowing tubing head pressure	Well (Surface)
4	Annulus pressure	Well (Surface)
5	Lift gas pressure (CRP)	Well (Surface)
6	SSSV status	Well (Surface)
7	SSV status	Well (Surface)
8	Chemical injection flow (injection gas)	Well (Surface)
9	Chemical injection (injection gas) ppm	N/A
10	Lift gas control valve percent open	Well (Surface)
11	Lift gas rate setpoint	N/A
12	Lift gas pressure (upstream of meter)	Well (Surface)
13	Lift gas meter differential pressure (dp)	Well (Surface)
14	Lift gas meter temperature (upstream of control valve)	Well (Surface)
15	Lift gas flow rate	N/A
16	Lift gas temperature	N/A
17	Chemical injection flow (Production)	Well (Surface)
18	Chemical injection (Production) ppm	N/A
19	Sand detection	Well (Flowline)
20	Flowline pressure differential	Well (Flowline)
21	Flowline pressure	Well (Flowline)
22	Flowline temperature	Well (Flowline)
23	Bulk lift gas temperature	Injection Manifold
24	Bulk lift gas pressure	Injection Manifold
25	Total gas production rate	N/A
26	Water production rate	N/A
27	Net oil production rate	N/A

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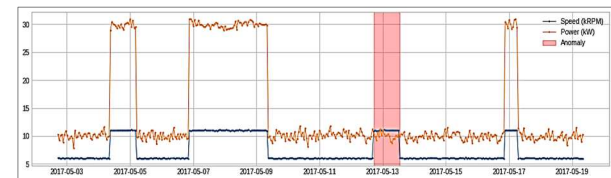
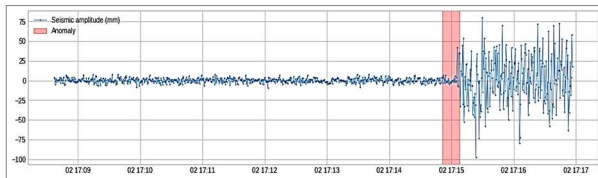
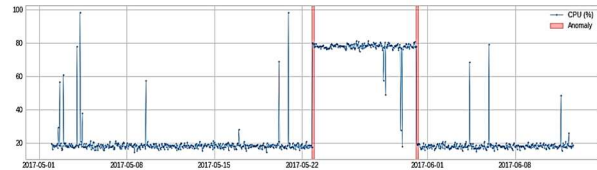
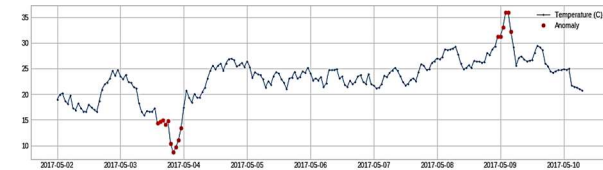
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Anomaly Detection



Objective:

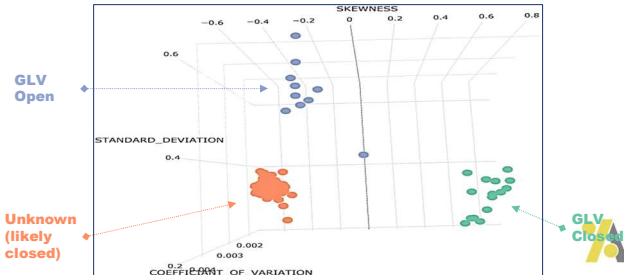
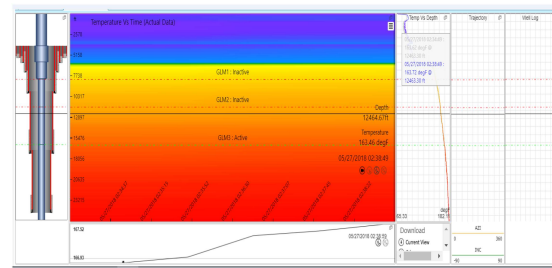
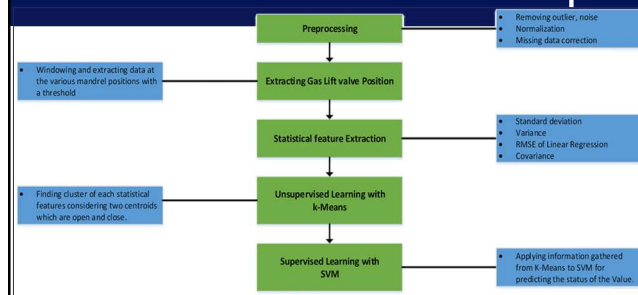
Discover deviation in data potentially signaling an event like process upset, imminent failure, defect.
Learn what “normal” data looks like then use data to detect abnormal instances



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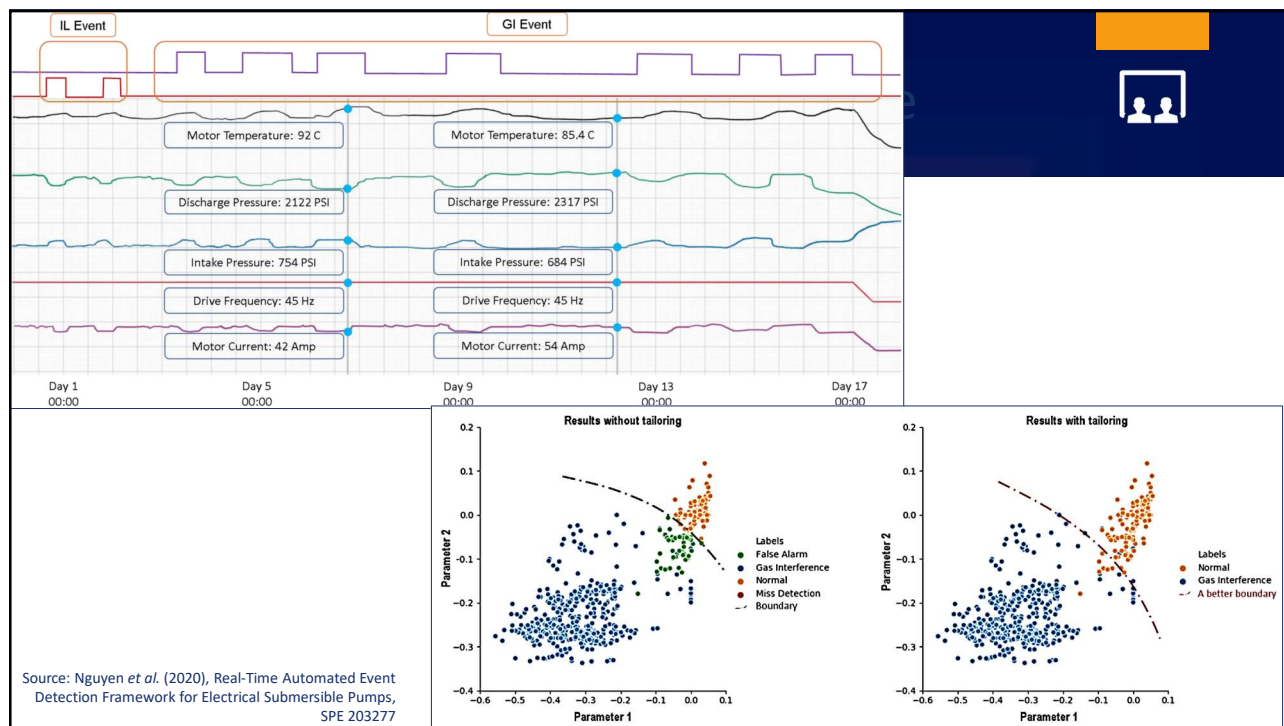
DTS Analytics for Anomaly Detection in Gas-Lift – GLV Open or Close??

Source: Bello et al. (2018) Integrating Downhole Temperature Sensing Datasets and Visual Analytics for Improved Gas Lift Well Surveillance, SPE 191626

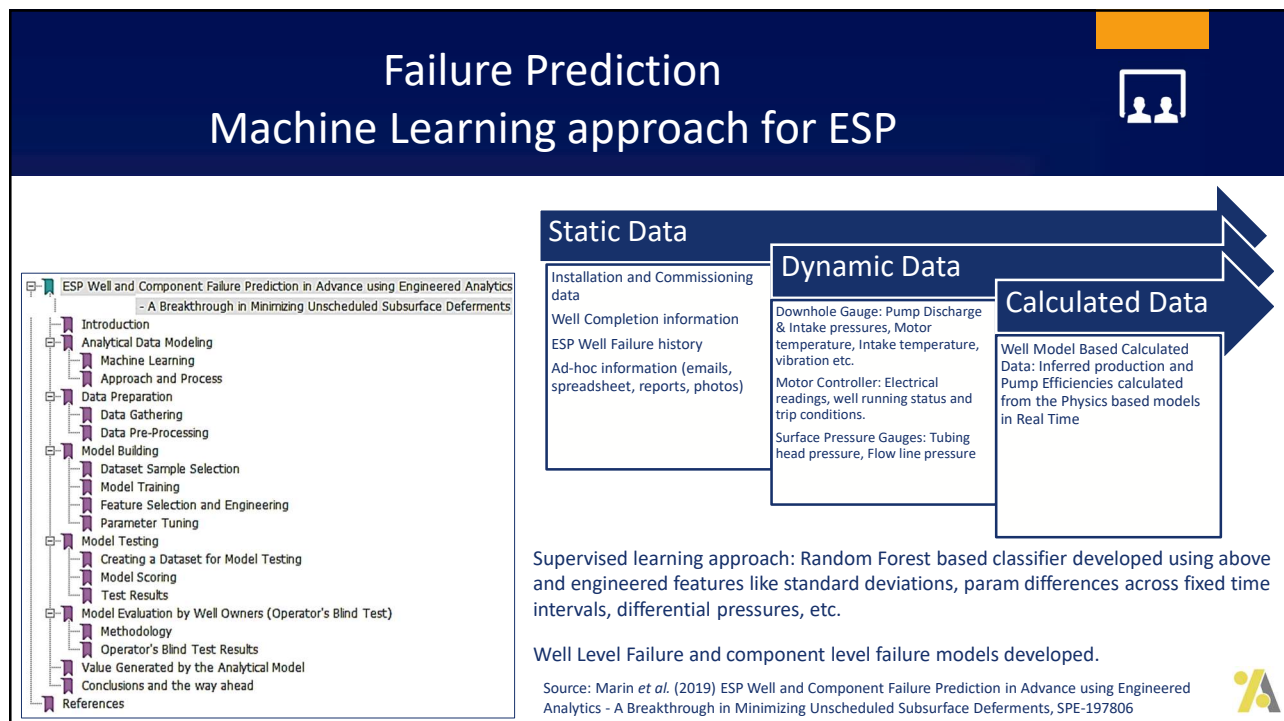


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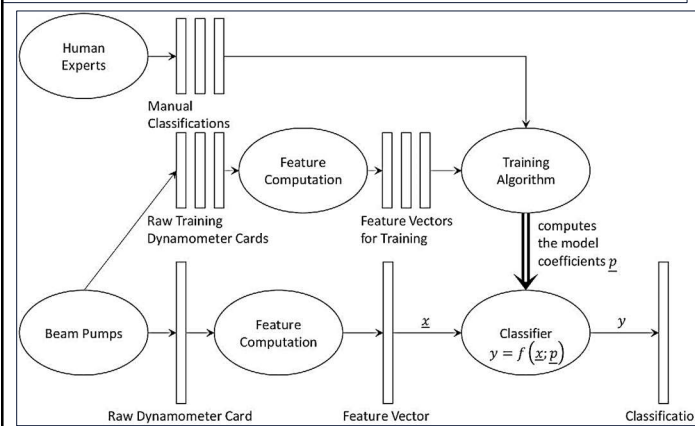
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Predictive Maintenance for Rod Pumps



Source: Bangert & Sharaf: SPE 195295 – “Predictive Maintenance for Rod Pumps”, 2019

- Procedure of generating and using classification model
- Formula taking card's features as input and produces a class number as output



35292 cards from 299 beam pumps from Bahrain

Normal	
Fluid Pound (Slight)	Inoperative Pump Hitting Down
Fluid Pound (Severe)	TV or Plunger Leak
Pump Hitting Down	SV, TV Leak or Gas Interference
Pump Hitting Up & Down	Inoperative Pump

Results:

Using stochastic gradient-boosted decision tree model
Accuracy = 99.9% Evenly distributed errors



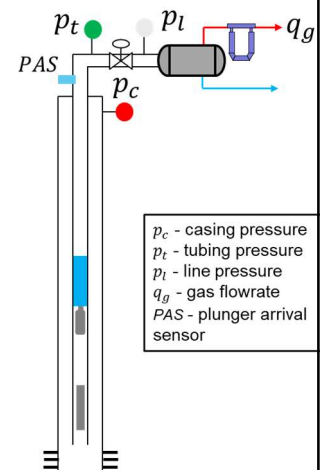
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Virtual Flow Meter – Plunger Lift

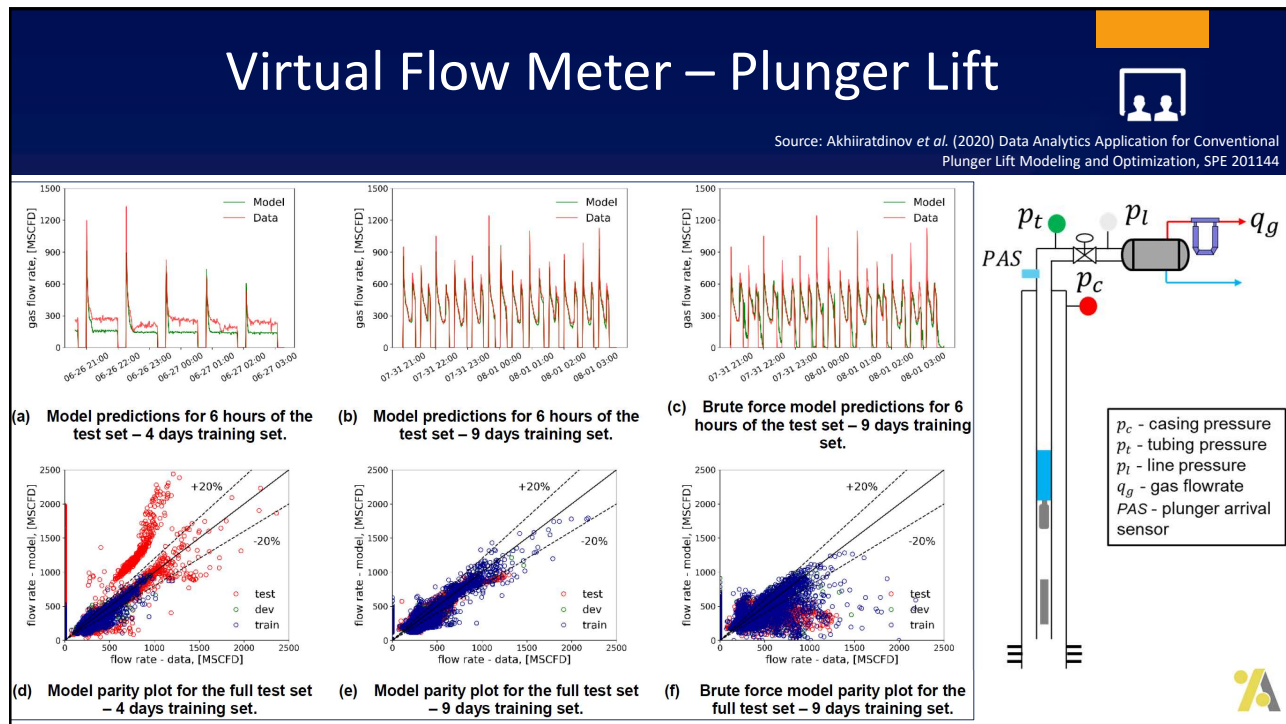


Source: Akhiiratdinov et al. (2020) Data Analytics Application for Conventional Plunger Lift Modeling and Optimization, SPE 201144

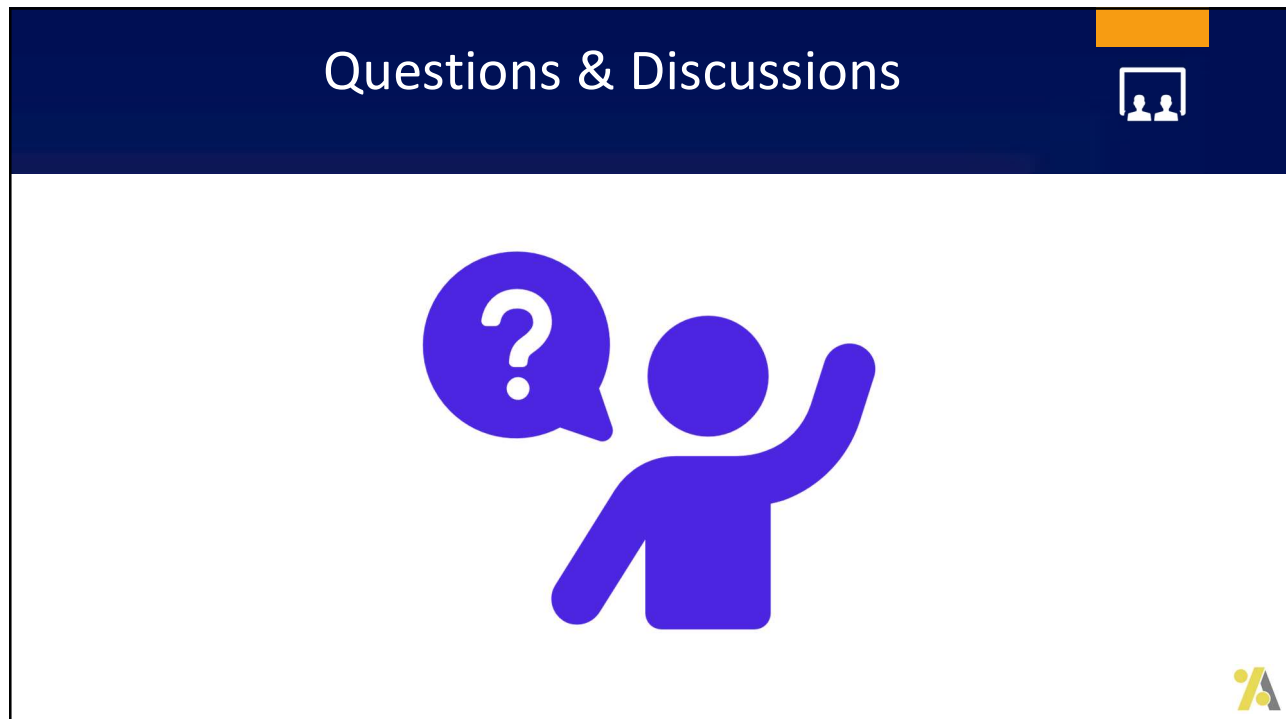
- Using plunger arrival and pressures data, determine the gas flow rate to back-allocate the flow rates.
 - Challenging or computationally expensive using traditional physics-based model
- Approach:
 - ANN – 3 hidden layers, 10 nodes each layer
 - Brute force approach utilizing raw pressure and flow rate data in the ANN does not yield acceptable results
 - Physics-guided features – pressure differentials and flow rate transformations – provide better model performance.
- More training data helps evolve model into better prediction performance.




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2.1. Setup Environment for Working with Hands-on Examples

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Outline

- How do we develop & work with ML/AI examples in this class?
 - Full-fledged Development Setup
 - Python Editor, Interpreter, Package libraries.
 - Not undoable but can become complex and frustrating for classroom purpose.
 - Keep everything in cloud and access it from a browser.
 - Need a constant internet connection though.
- Google Colab
- GitHub Repository



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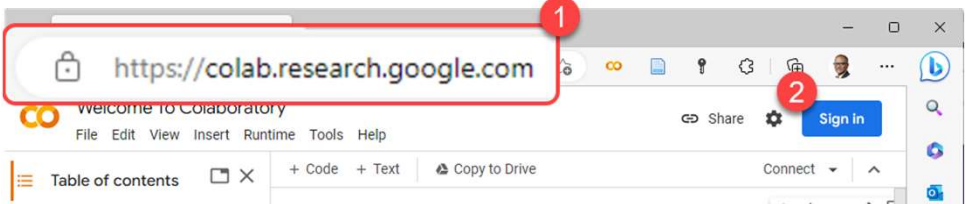
Google Colab

- Google Collaboratory
 - Cloud based & free with a Google account (which is also free).
 - Need only browser compatible with Colab.
 - Chrome or Edge works well
 - Provides editors and interpreters for popular programming languages
- Github Repository
 - Provides storage for scripts and data files.

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Setup

1. Open a browser (Chrome preferred but will work with Edge)
 - Go to <https://colab.research.google.com/>
2. Sign in into your Google account by clicking on the right top button.
 - You may setup another account just for the class if you don't want to use your account. Go to <https://accounts.google.com/signup>



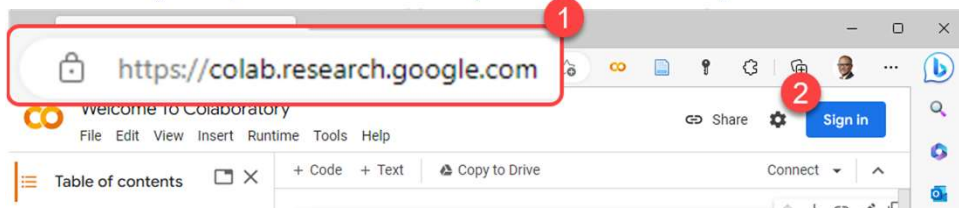
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2.1. Setup Environment

Setup



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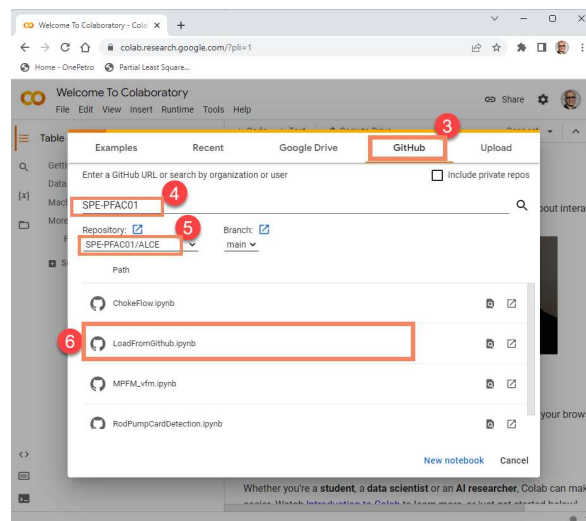


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Download first script from the Github



3. Click on 'Github' tab.
4. Type in 'SPE-PFAC01'
5. Select 'ALCE'
6. Double click on 'LoadFromGithub.ipynb' to download it into Colab.

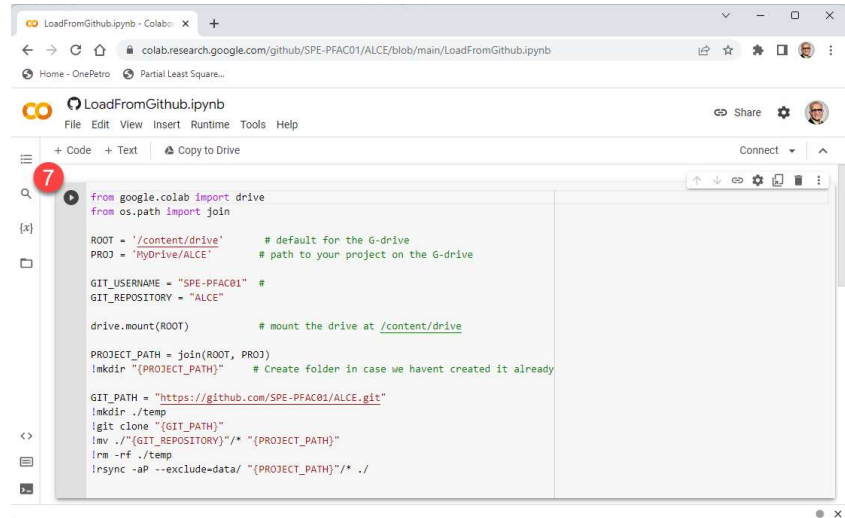


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2.1. Setup Environment

Run the script to download other Python scripts & datastore

7. Click on the Run button.
8. On the Warning pop-up, click on 'Run Anyway'
9. On the next pop-up click on 'Connect to Google Drive'
10. Authenticate in another popup window by selecting 'Allow'.



```
from google.colab import drive
from os.path import join

ROOT = '/content/drive' # default for the G-drive
PROJ = 'MyDrive/ALCE' # path to your project on the G-drive

GIT_USERNAME = "SPE-PFAC01" #
GIT_REPOSITORY = "ALCE"

drive.mount(ROOT) # mount the drive at /content/drive

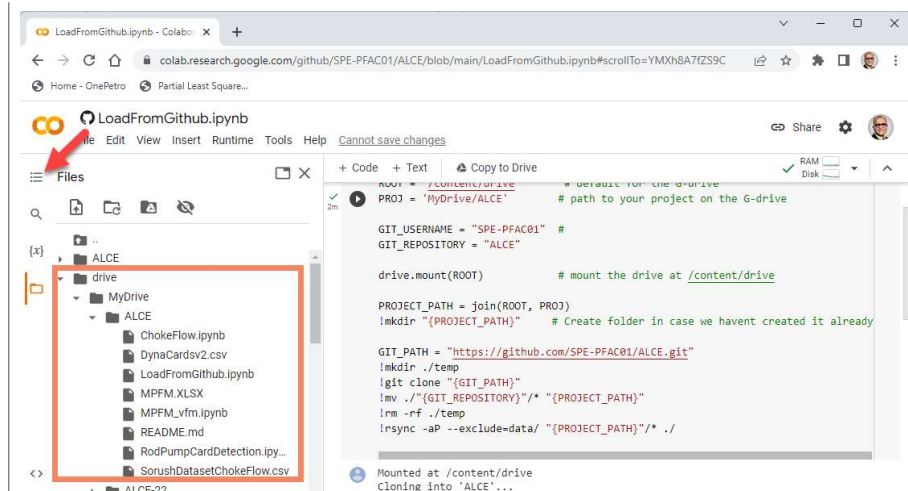
PROJECT_PATH = join(ROOT, PROJ)
mkdir "(PROJECT_PATH)" # Create folder in case we havent created it already

GIT_PATH = "https://github.com/SPE-PFAC01/ALCE.git"
mkdir "/temp"
git clone "{GIT_PATH}"
mv -f "{GIT_REPOSITORY}"/* "{PROJECT_PATH}"
rm -rf ./temp
lsync -aP --exclude=data/ "{PROJECT_PATH}"/* ./
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Verify that you got it all!

- Click on the 'Files' symbol.
- Expand 'drive/MyDrive/ALCE' folder and check names of the eight files.



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3.0. Diagnose Rod Pump Problems with AI/ML


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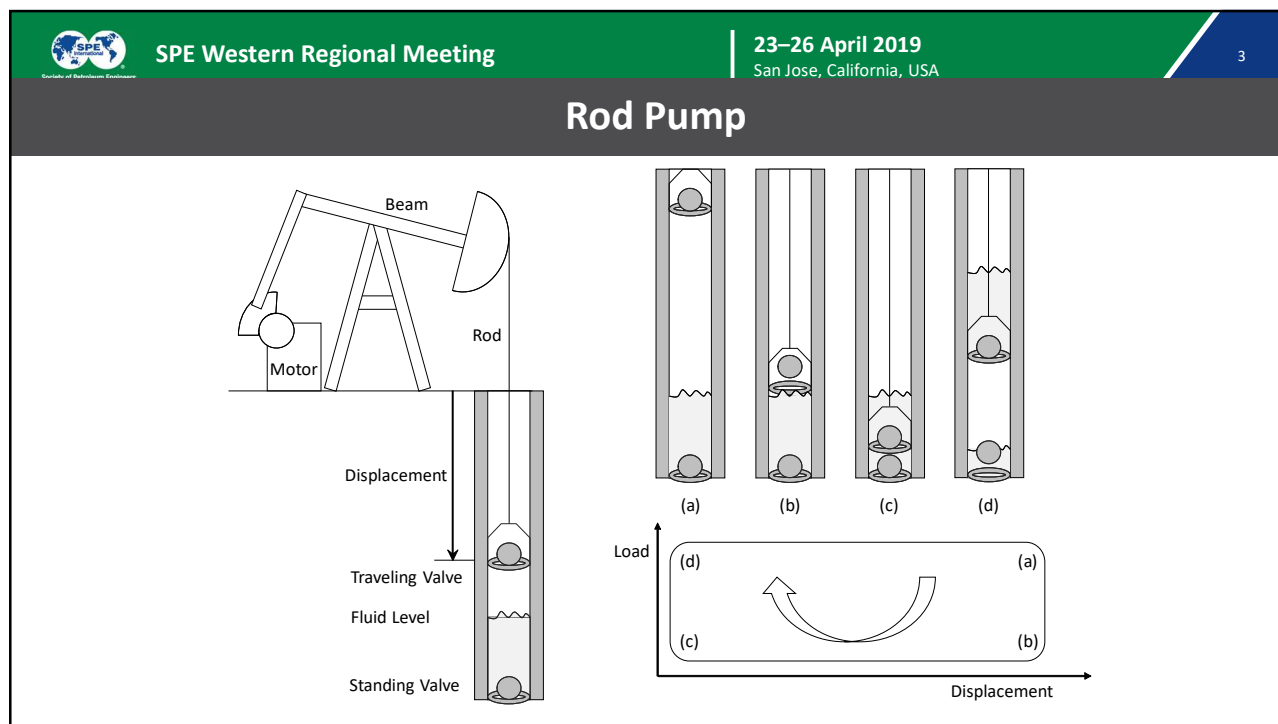
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3.0. Rod Pump Problem Classification



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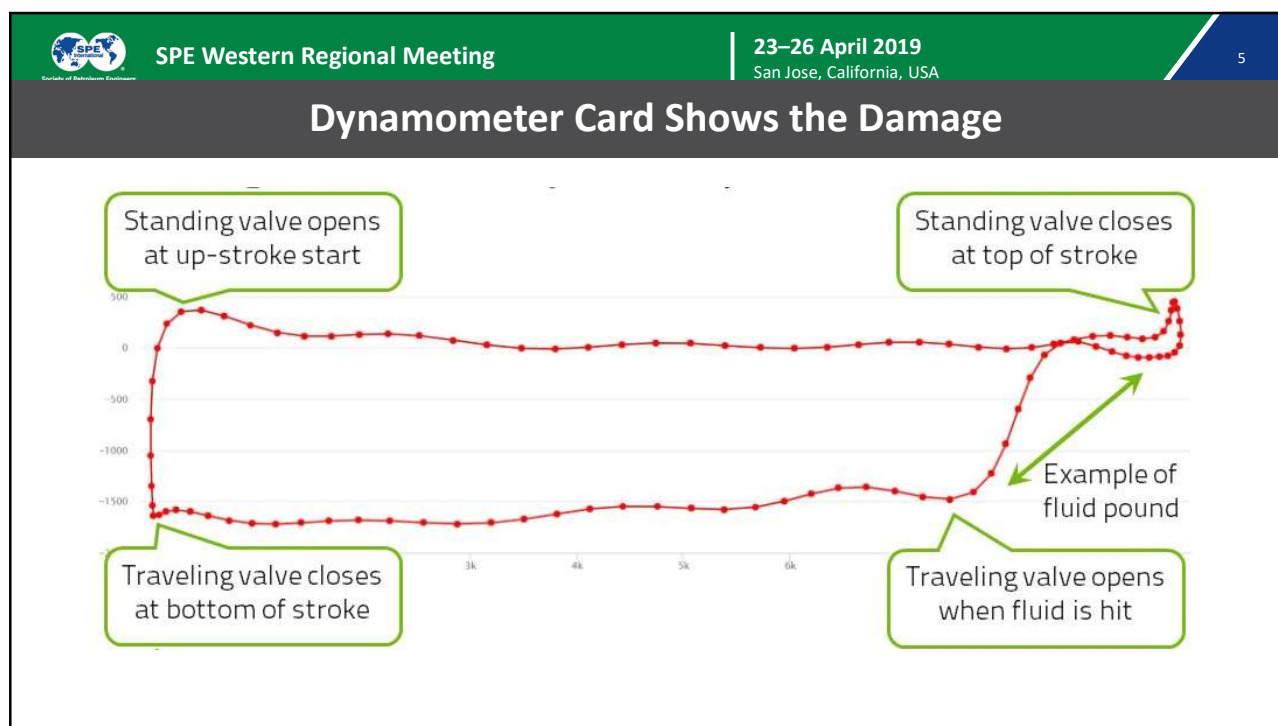
Damage Mechanisms of Rod Pumps

- Diverse **damage mechanisms**
- Can be **diagnosed** by experts
- Diagnosis can be **automated** with **higher accuracy**
- Works in **real-time**, several times per second on thousands of pumps
- **Challenge:** 4 experts currently diagnose 750 pumps producing over **1 million cards per day**

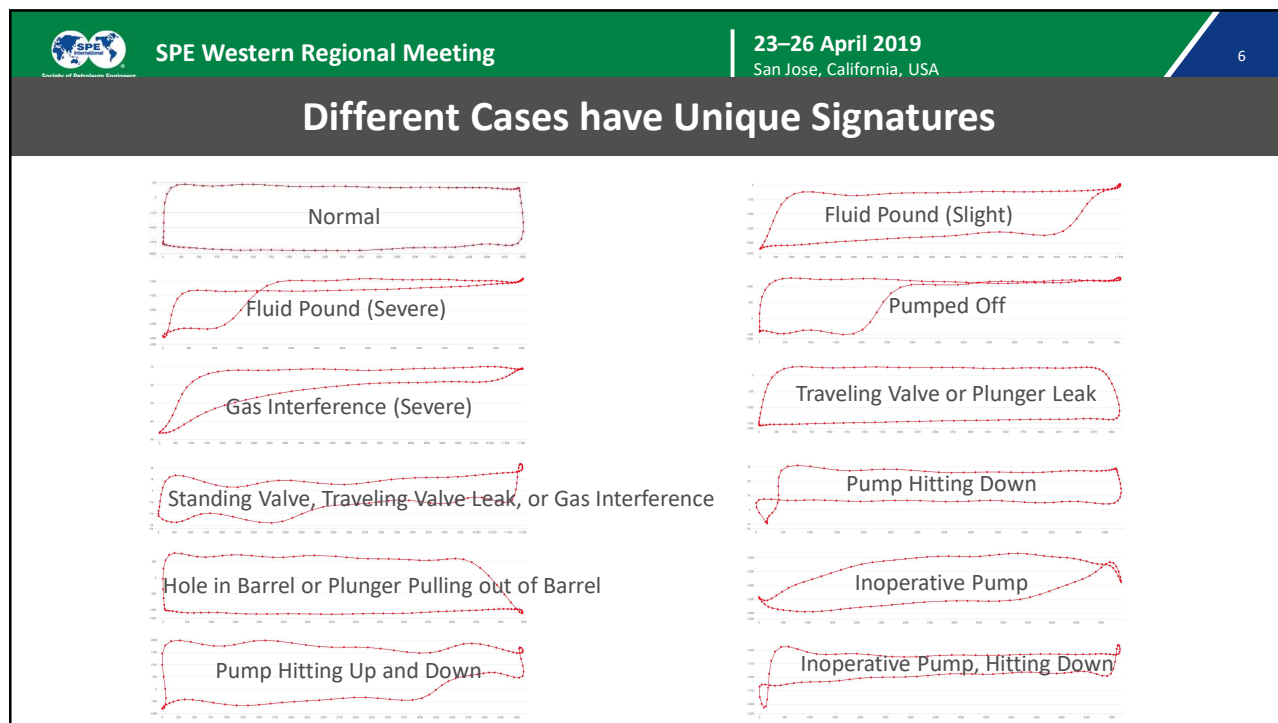
The background image shows a rod pump wellhead at sunset. The wellhead is a large, dark, industrial structure with a long, angled arm. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, orange glow. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. The wellhead is surrounded by a metal fence and some vegetation.

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Feature Engineering

- Cards consist of 100 load and displacement measurements
- Need to have less variables
- Choose features that have best trade-off between variance and bias
 - Fourier series to one moment and centroid

Bias-Variance Trade-off

Number of Fourier Moments	Approximate Number of Errors (Median)
0	110
1	15
2	25
3	20
4	25
5	20
6	25
7	35
8	25
9	30
10	25
11	20
12	30

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Damage Mechanisms of Rod Pumps


- Dynamometer Card is recorded **digitally**
- Known cards are turned into a **diagnosis model**
- Diagnosis takes place in the computer – user gets **email**
- Maintenance** can be done immediately

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3.0. Rod Pump Problem Classification

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Results			
Category	Training Samples	Testing Samples	Incorrect
Normal	8557	1529	0
Fluid Pound (Slight)	5347	955	0
Fluid Pound (Severe)	93	15	0
Inoperative Pump	1981	379	0
Pump Hitting Down	1740	303	2
Pump Hitting Up and Down	2258	407	2
Inoperative Pump, Hitting Down	9045	1626	1
Traveling Valve or Plunger Leak	98	15	1
Standing Valve, Traveling Valve Leak, or Gas Interference	345	62	0
Pumped Off	234	39	1
Hole in Barrel or Plunger Pulling out of Barrel	132	20	0
Gas Interference (Severe)	101	11	0
Total	29931	5361	7

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Added Value

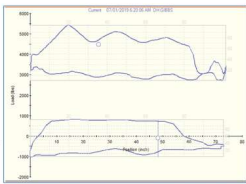

- Some problems can be discovered (only) this way
- Problems are **discovered earlier** than before
- Team **focusses on maintenance** and not diagnosis
- Oil **production increases**

A-XXXX

50 bbl/d

OIL

9 days to detect and fix several holes in pump barrel

Loss \$ 22,500

450 bbl

OIL

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Next Steps

- Production is **controlled by parameters** that are set by experts
- Such as the **pump rate**
- Automatically **tune** these parameters
- Optimize production** and maintenance together

Layer Legend

- Pump Status
- Card
- Pump Pumped Normal
- Pump Pumped Drilling
- Gas Interference Drilling
- Pump in Serial or Pumping Pool
- Interference Pump
- Interference Pump, Setting On
- Normal
- Pump Hitting Down
- Pump Hitting Up and Down
- Pump Off
- Standing Valve, Traveling Valve



Surt	
WELL/COMP. NAME	A-1305SH CGL
CURR. COMP. STATUS	ACTIVE
DIL	60
WATER	111
GAS	0
DOWNTIME	

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Hands On Project

- Work with a similar dataset of dynamometer cards
 - 3370 Cards
 - Cards represent following conditions as labeled by SMEs
 - Flumping
 - Incomplete Fillage
 - Full Pump
 - Pump Hitting Down
- After data exploration, and feature analysis, we will develop and test several multi-class classification models with the following methods:
 - Decision Tree, Random Forrest, Support Vector Machine, Extra Trees, Gradient Boosting, XGBoost, and Neural Network.



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4.0. Critical Choke Flow Rate Determination: Comparison Case Study


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Outline



- Introduction
- Data Set Description
- ML Methods Evaluated
- Results
- Conclusion
- Hands-on Exercise



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Introduction



Presentation is based on a publication:

- Barjoui, H.S., Ghorbani, H., Mohamadian, N. et al. **Prediction performance advantages of deep machine learning algorithms for two-phase flow rates through wellhead chokes.** J Petrol Explor Prod Technol 11, 1233–1261 (2021).
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s13202-021-01087-4> [Accessed 3 Jun 2021]
 - Note: The case study discusses data and findings from a **SW Iranian oilfield** published above.
 - This reference is selected because of detailed discussion on the methodologies, workflows, recent publication-timeline, and most-importantly the authors have made the entire dataset available.
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Flow Rate Through Choke Problem



Control Volumes in Gas-Lift

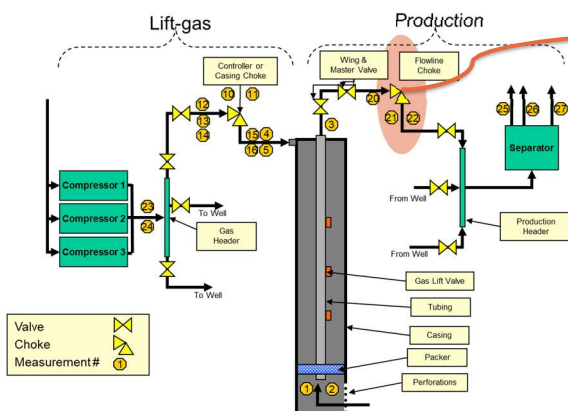


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Production Choke

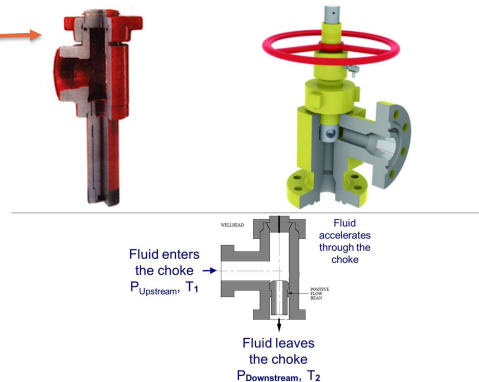


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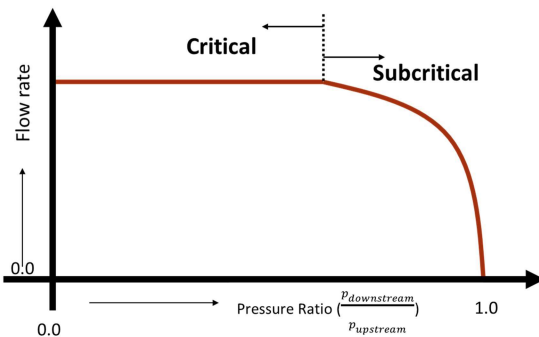


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Flow Rate Through Choke



Flow Regimes in Choke



- The Critical flow occurs when the maximum fluid velocity inside the choke equals or exceeds the velocity of sound in the flowing fluid at in situ conditions.
- The flow rate will not change (remain constant) with further decrease in the downstream pressure, and it will be dependent only on the upstream conditions.



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Empirical Expressions for Critical Flow Regime



Table 1 Empirical equations proposed for fluid flow across oil field chokes

Authors/year	Equation	Formula	Coefficient
Gilbert (1949)	(2)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c}{GLR^d}$	$a=0.1, b=1, c=1.89, d=0.546$
Baxendell	(3)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c}{GLR^d}$	$a=0.1046, b=1, c=1.93, d=0.546$
Ros	(4)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c}{GLR^d}$	$a=0.05747, b=1, c=2.00, d=0.500$
Achong	(5)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c}{GLR^d}$	$a=0.26178, b=1, c=1.88, d=0.650$
Pilehvari	(6)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c}{GLR^d}$	$a=0.021427, b=1, c=2.11, d=0.313$
Safar Beiranvand et al. (2012)	(7)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c (1-BS\&W\%)^d}{GLR^e}$	$a=0.0382, b=1, c=2.151, d=0.52965, e=0.5154$
Ghorbani et al. (2019)	(8)	$Q_L = \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c (1-BS\&W\%)^d}{a GLR^e}$	$a=1.3522, b=1, c=1.7056, d=-0.164, e=0.74042$
Mirzaei-Paibaman et al. (case-4) (2013)	(9)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c \gamma_g^d}{GLR^f}$	$a=0.052439, b=1, c=1.9108, d=0.3988, e=0.1711, f=0.5220$
Choubineh et al. (2017)	(10)	$Q_L = a \frac{P_{wh}^b D_{ch}^c \gamma_g^d \left(\frac{T}{T_{sc}}\right)^f}{GLR^g}$	$a=0.067,662, b=1, c=2.08,918, d=0.625,862, e=1.583,074, f=0.000,453, g=0.508,714$



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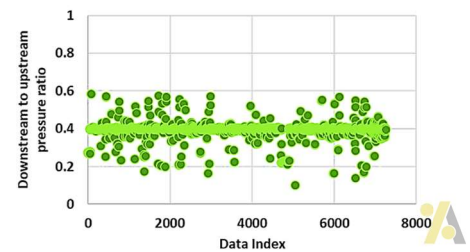
Dataset

Table 11 Data record statistical characterization of the variables in this study

Dataset Variables for Prediction Two-phase Flow Rate from Wellheads in the oil Fields

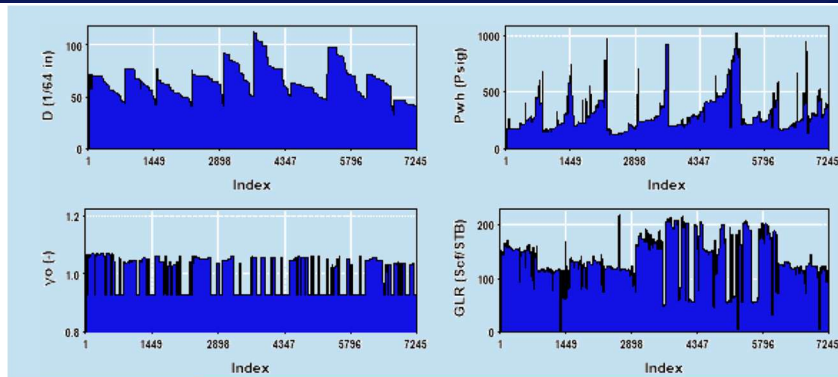
Field	Variables	Wellhead Choke Diameter	Wellhead Pressure	Oil Specific Gravity	Gas to Liquid Ratio	Two-Phase Flow Rate
	Symbol	D64	Pwh	Yo	GLR	QL
	Units	inch/64	psig	%	Scf/STB	STB/day
7245 dataset records from Soroush Oil Field	Mean	65.7	319	1.00	135.3	11,667
	Std. Deviation	15.2	169	0.06	42.9	3625
	Variance	231.5	28,718	0.00	1840.1	13,137,230
	Minimum	33.8	131	0.93	3.0	660
	Maximum	111.9	1024	1.07	217.0	23,700
113 dataset records from Oil Field of South Iran	Mean	54.5	1280	0.86	858.6	8549
	Std. Deviation	16.9	349	0.02	440.3	5376
	Variance	282.4	120,507	0.00	192,106.3	28,641,000
	Minimum	24.0	50	0.81	107.0	1324
	Maximum	80.0	2940	0.92	3660.0	22,150

- 10 wells from Soroush offshore field located in SW Iran
 - 7358 records with choke diameter, wellhead pressure, GLR, flow rate.
- Entire dataset in spreadsheet format is available here: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13202-021-01087-4>



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Data Visualization



Input Variables

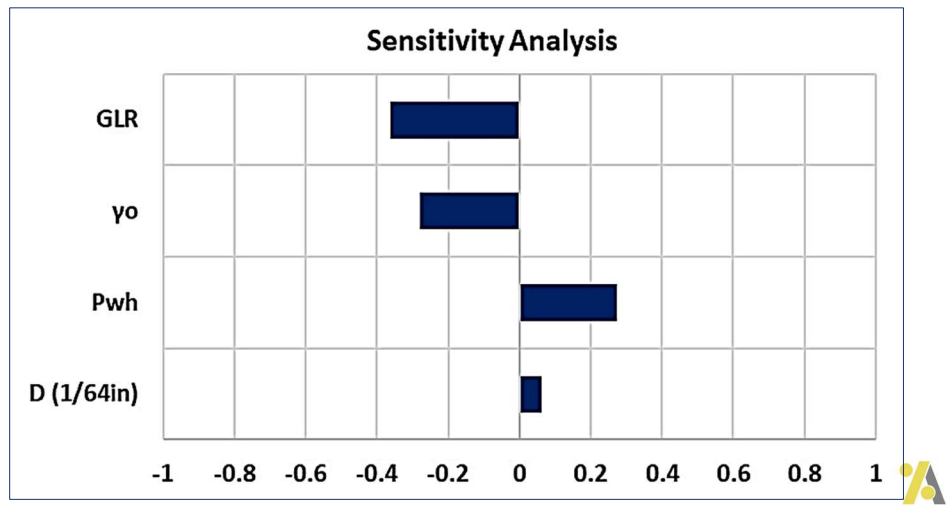
Fig. 13 Variable value versus dataset index number highlighting the ranges and extreme values associated with each variable recorded for the Soroush oil field dataset. The variables displayed are: choke size (D64), wellhead pressure (Pwh), oil-specific gravity (yo), gas to liquid ratio (GLR), and two-phase flow rate through wellhead choke (QL) across all 7245 data records in Soroush Oil field

Dependent Variable

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Data Exploration

- Spearman's correlation coefficients shown here reveal that the input variables,
 - GLR and y_o are inversely related to QL,
 - Pwh and D64 display positive correlations with QL.
- D64 shows the lowest correlation coefficient with QL of the four input variables evaluated.
- Prevailing flow through the wellhead chokes of the Soroush oil field conforms to a critical flow regime



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Workflow

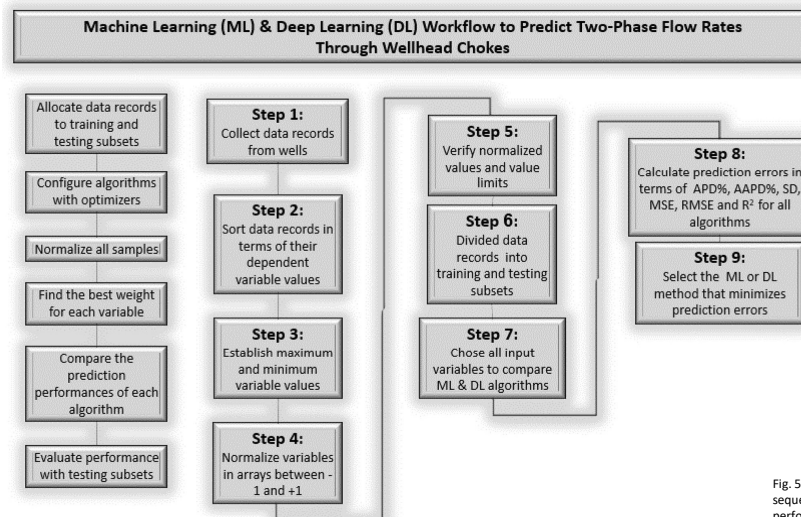


Fig. 5 Schematic diagram of the workflow sequence applied for comparing the prediction performance of ML and DL algorithms

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Dataset Preparation



Normalization

begins with data collecting followed by data variable characterization, including the determination of the maximum and minimum values for each data variable involved. This information is used to normalize all data variables to range between +1 and -1 by applying Eq. (11).

$$x_i^l = \left(\frac{x_i^l - x_{min}^l}{x_{max}^l - x_{min}^l} \right) * 2 - 1 \quad (11)$$

where x_i^l = the value of attribute for data record I ;
 x_{min}^l = the minimum value of the attribute among all the data records in the dataset; and,
 x_{max}^l = the maximum value of the attribute among all the data records in the dataset.



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Learning Network Algorithms Selected



1. Support Vector Regression (SVR)
2. Decision Tree
3. Random Forest
4. Artificial Neural Network (ANN)
5. Deep Neural Network (DNN)



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ML Model Control Parameters



1. Support Vector Regression

- Radial basis Function (RBF) Kernel used

Kernel function	Mathematical expression	Definition of parameters
Polynomial	$K(x, x_i) = \left(1 + \frac{x_i^T x}{c}\right)^d$	d = degree of polynomial c = intercept
Sigmoid	$K(x, x_i) = \tanh(kx_i^T x + \theta)$	k = scale parameter θ = bias parameter
Radial basis function (RBF)	$K(x, x_i) = \exp\left(-\frac{\ x - x_i\ ^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$	σ^2 = variance of RBF (Gaussian) kernel
Linear	$K(x, x_i) = x_i^T x$	

- Control Parameters

Parameters	Status
Kernel function	RBF
ϵ range	0.1
C range	100,000
Cross-validation	Not applied
γ range (RBF)	0.05

2. Decision Tree

- The scikit learn (Sklearn) Python module used.
- Control Parameters

Table 5 Decision tree wellhead choke flow regression model control parameter values

Parameters	Value
Maximum depth	100
Criterion	gini
Splitter	best
Objective function	Mean squared error (MSE)
Example prediction time	0.012925 (s)



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ML Model Control Parameters



3. Random Forest

- Multiple decision trees in parallel, each using relatively few layers/nodes.

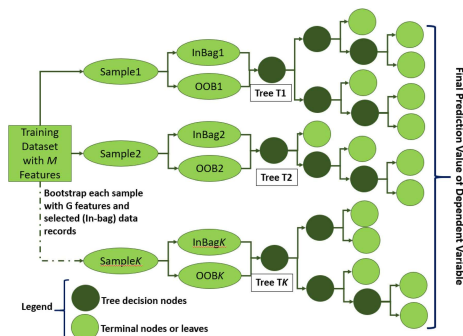


Table 6 Random forest wellhead choke flow regression model control parameter values

Parameters	Value
Maximum depth	1000
Random state	0
Number of decision trees	1000
Objective function	Mean squared error (MSE)
Example prediction time	7.352307 (s)



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ML Model Control Parameters



4. Artificial Neural Network (ANN)

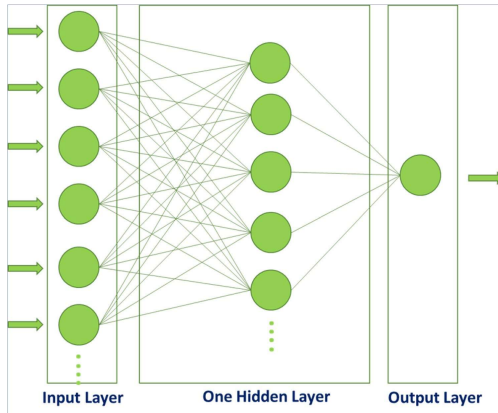


Table 7 Control parameters for the one-hidden layer ANN model constructed to predict two-phase flow rate (Q_L) through wellhead choke

Control Parameters	Status
Number of hidden layers	1
Number of neurons in the hidden layer	500
Activation function used input to hidden layer	SELU (Scaled Exponential Linear Unit)
Activation function used hidden to output layer	SELU
Objective function minimized for training subset	MSE
Optimization algorithm	RMSprop
Minimum delta	0.01% of Q_L mean value
Patience (number of iterations)	25
Number of iterations	237
Learning rate	0.01



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ML Model Control Parameters



The Most Common Activation Function

Table 8 The most common activation functions

Activation function	Formula
Sigmoid	$s(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$
tanh	$\tanh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$
Relu (Rectified linear unit)	$y(x) = \max(0, x)$
Selu (Scaled exponential linear unit)	$y(x) = \lambda \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ ae^x - a & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$
Leaky-relu	$y(x) = \max(ax, x) : 0 < a \ll 1$
Linear	$y(x) = x$

Common Objective Functions

Objective function	Abbreviation	Formula
Mean of squared error	MSE	$J(y, \hat{y}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i (\hat{y}_i - y_i)^2$
Mean of absolute error	MAE	$J(y, \hat{y}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \hat{y}_i - y_i $
Mean of absolute error%	MAPE	$J(y, \hat{y}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \frac{ \hat{y}_i - y_i }{y_i} * 100$
Mean of squared logarithmic error	MSLF	$J(y, \hat{y}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i (\log(\hat{y}_i + 1) - \log(y_i + 1))^2$



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ML Model Control Parameters



5. Deep learning Neural Network (ANN)

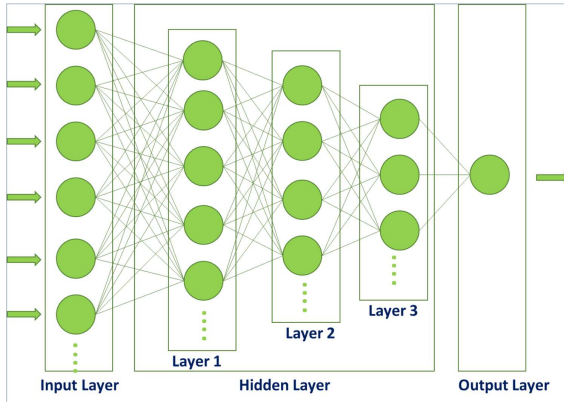


Table 10 Control parameters for the multi-layer DL model constructed to predict two-phase flow rate (Q_L) through wellhead choke

Control Parameters	Status
Number of hidden layers	3
Number of neurons in hidden layers, 1, 2, and 3	500, 100, 50
Activation function used in input / hidden layers	SELU
Activation function applied to output layer	SELU
Objective function used training	MSE
Optimization algorithm	RMSprop
Minimum delta	0.01% of Q_L mean value
Patience (number of iterations)	25
Number of iterations	418
Learning rate	0.1

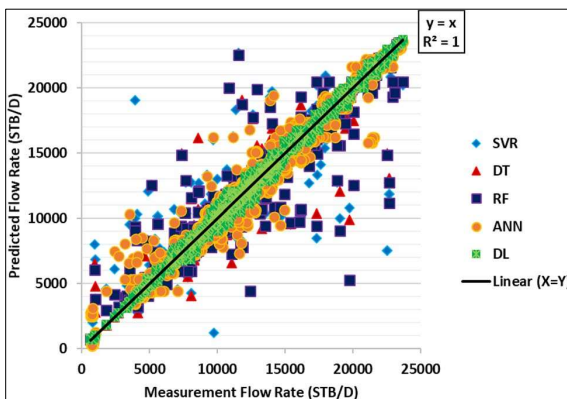


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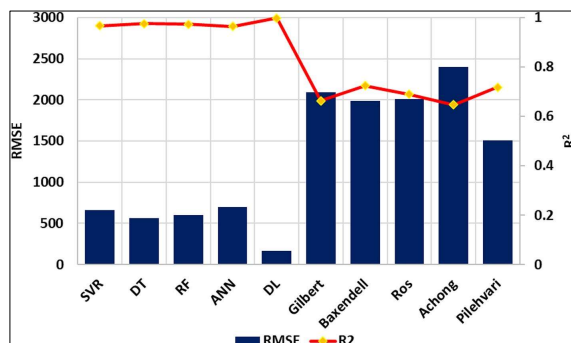
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Predicted vs Measured Flow Rates



Flow Rate Prediction Accuracy



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Results

Two-phase liquid flow rate prediction accuracy for the total subset (7265 Data records; 100%)

Models		APD	AAPD	SD	MSE	RMSE	R ²
Units		(%)	(%)	(STBD)	(STBD)	(STBD)	
SVR	Support vector regression	-0.570	1.780	659.3	434,679	659.3	0.9670
DT	Decision tree	-0.245	1.780	566.6	321,106	566.7	0.9756
RF	Random forest	-0.306	1.665	600.1	360,155	600.1	0.9726
ANN	Artificial neural network	-0.038	5.396	697.9	487,019	697.9	0.9644
DL	Deep learning	-0.019	0.757	168.8	28,481	168.8	0.9978
Math- ematical Models	Gilbert	3.620	11.482	2196.0	4,370,300	2090.5	0.6631
	Baxendell	2.120	11.024	1259.3	3,959,439	1989.8	0.7244
	Ros	2.561	11.781	1681.5	4,052,142	2013.0	0.6894
	Achong	0.449	12.419	1579.0	5,740,491	2395.9	0.6467
	Pilehvari	-0.211	10.392	1230.6	2,280,496	1510.1	0.7178

Table 14 QL Prediction performance compared for ML, DL, and traditional mathematical models applied to the entire dataset (7245 data records from Soroush oil field) for the Soroush field dataset of wellhead choke recordings

Percentage difference (PD):

$$PD_i = \frac{\xi_{\text{Measured}} - \xi_{\text{Predicted}}}{\xi_{\text{Measured}}} \times 100 \quad (24)$$

Average percent deviation (APD):

$$APD = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n PD_i}{n} \quad (25)$$

Absolute average percent deviation (AAPD):

$$AAPD = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |PD_i|}{n} \quad (26)$$

Standard deviation (SD):

$$SD = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (PD_i - Dimean)^2}{n - 1}} \quad (27)$$

$$Dimean = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_{\text{Measured } i} - \xi_{\text{Predicted } i}) \quad (28)$$

Mean square error (MSE)

$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_{\text{Measured } i} - \xi_{\text{Predicted } i})^2 \quad (29)$$

Root-mean-square error (RMSE):

$$RMSE = \sqrt{MSE} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_i - y_i)^2}{n}} \quad (30)$$

where n = number of data records; ξ_i = measured dependent variable value for the i^{th} data record; and y_i = predicted dependent variable value for the i^{th} data record.

Coefficient of determination (R^2):

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_{\text{Predicted } i} - \xi_{\text{Measured } i})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (\xi_{\text{Predicted } i} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_{\text{Measured } i}}{n})^2} \quad (31)$$

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Conclusions



- Comprehensive study on the critical flow regime in oil wells
- Sizeable dataset was used
- Multiple ML and NN methods applied and evaluated using several criteria.
 - Deep-learning Neural Network performed the best followed by Decision Tree, Random Forest and Support Vector Regression.
 - Simple Neural network performed behind traditional ML methods.
 - All empirical methods perform poorly.





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5.0. Data-driven Flow Pattern Prediction In A Nearly Horizontal Pipeline: A Comparison


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Outline



- Introduction
- Data Set Description
- ML Methods Evaluated
- Results
- Conclusion



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Introduction



- Main aim:
 - Reduce time required to determine flow patterns in a relatively accurate manner.
- It's a classification problem
 - In Classification, a program learns from the dataset or observations and then classifies new observation into a number of classes or groups.
- Reference:
 - Pereyra et al. "A methodology and database to quantify the confidence level of methods for gas–liquid two-phase flow pattern prediction," Chemical Engineering Research and Design, 2012, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cherd.2011.08.009>.



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Dataset



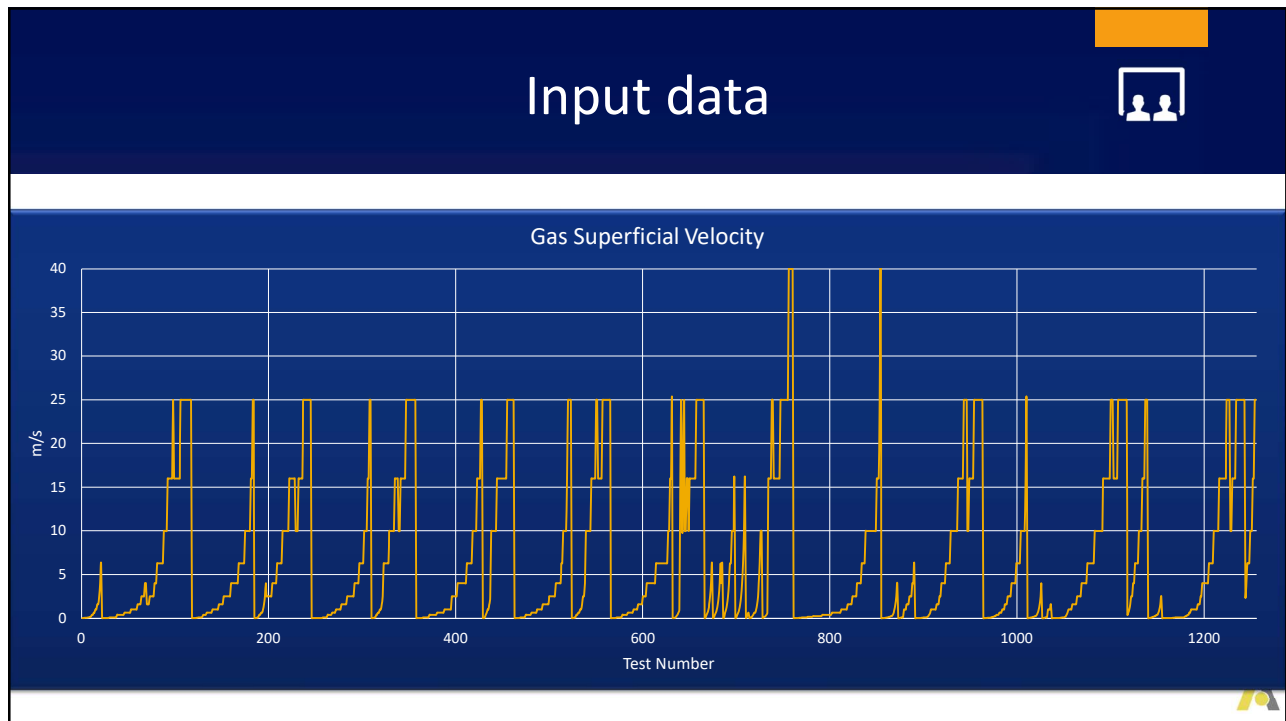
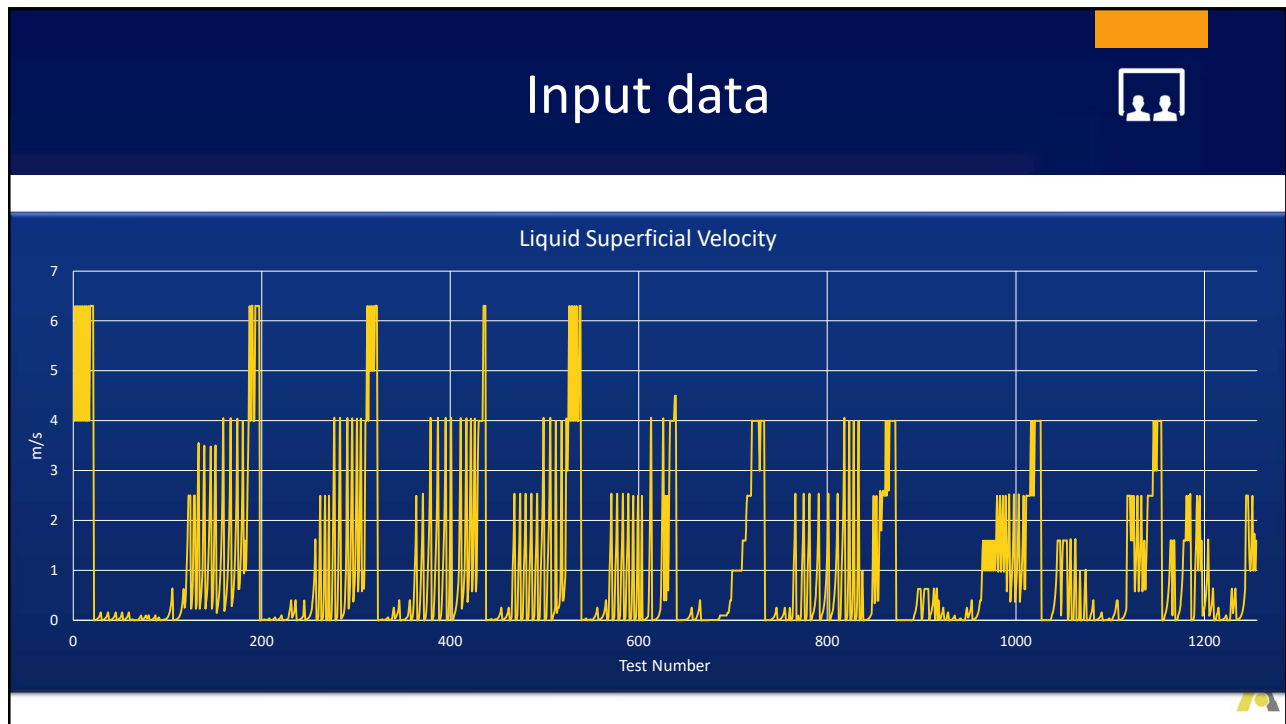
- The earliest set of data is Shoham (1982), which was acquired in 50.8 and 25.4 mm pipe diameters, utilizing air water at atmospheric conditions. This was the first study covering systematically all the inclinations angles, from -90° to $+90^\circ$.

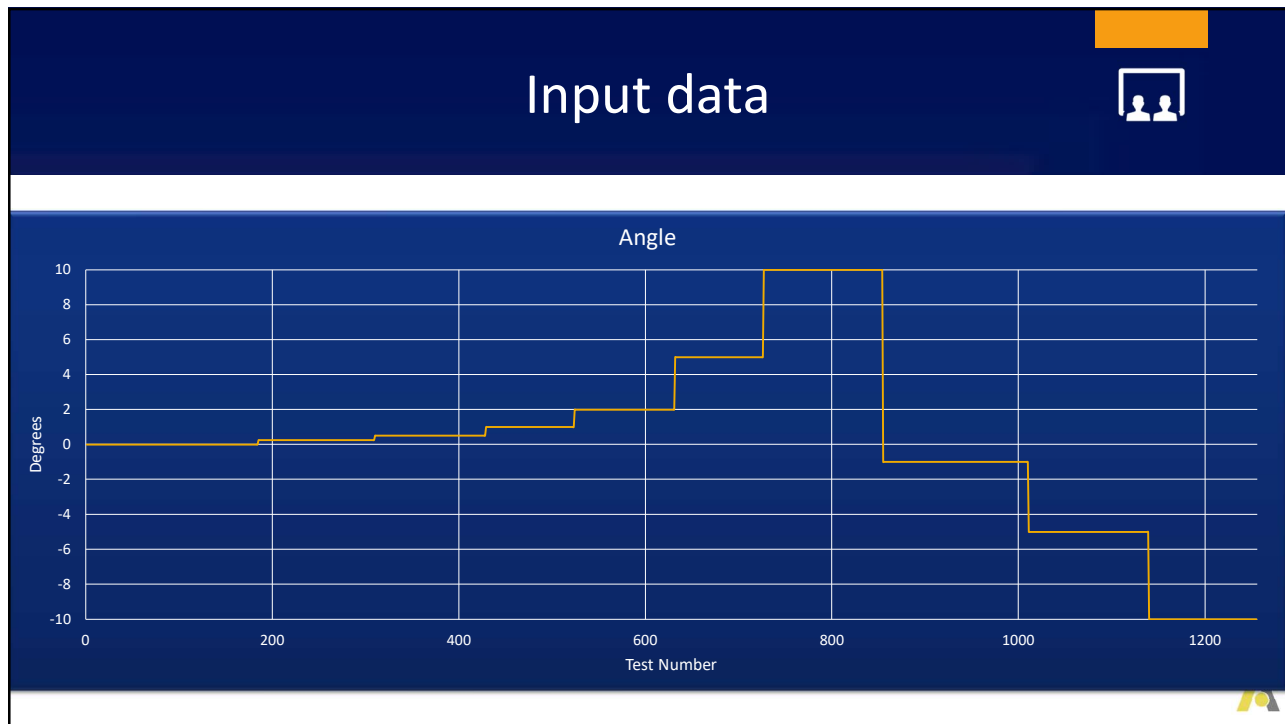
Input Data											Output					
Test Number		Material Properties						System Geometry				Operational Cond		Unnamed: 17_level_1	Unnamed: 18_level_1	
Test Code	P	Type of Liquid	Type of Gas	DensL	DensG	VisL	VisG	ST	ID	Roughness	Ang	Vel	Vsg	Flow Pattern	Flow Pattern	
0	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air1	101353.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	4.0	0.025	DB	1
1	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air2	101354.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	6.3	0.025	DB	1
2	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air3	101355.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	4.0	0.040	DB	1
3	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air4	101356.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	6.3	0.040	DB	1
4	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air5	101357.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	4.0	0.063	DB	1
5	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air6	101358.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	6.3	0.063	DB	1
6	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air7	101359.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	4.0	0.100	DB	1
7	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air8	101360.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	6.3	0.100	DB	1
8	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air9	101361.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	4.0	0.160	DB	1
9	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air10	101362.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	6.3	0.160	DB	1
10	1982_Ovadia Shoham_LD_Water_Air11	101363.268601	water	Air	1000.0	1.8	0.001	0.000015	0.07	0.051	0	0.0	4.0	0.400	DB	1



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6.0. Multi-Rate Transient Analysis





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Constant parameters

- Liquid and gas density
- Liquid and Gas viscosity
- Superficial tension
- Pipe Inner diameter (2 inch)
- Pipe roughness

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Machine learning techniques evaluated

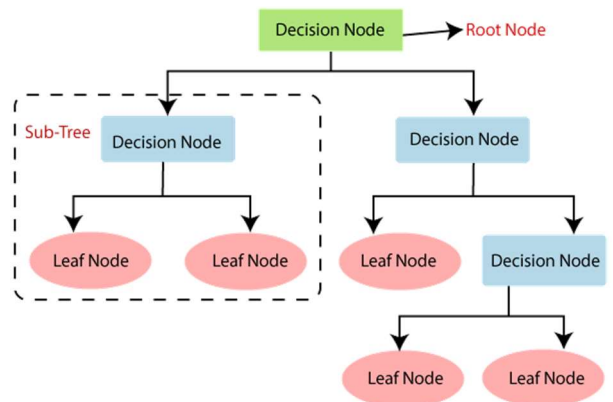
- Decision Tree Classifier
- Random Forest Classifier
- Naïve Bayes classifier
- Support Vector Machine [SVM]



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Decision Tree Classifier

- The simplest yet the most versatile ML technique
 - A graphical representation for getting all the possible solutions to a problem/decision based on given conditions.
 - Our problem's decision tree ended up 10-levels deep with 76 leaves.
- Supervised learning
- Classification, binary
 - reduce entropy (randomness amount)
- Risk of overfitting



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Random Forest Classifier



- Random forest algorithm
 - Supervised learning
 - Classification
 - Multiple decision trees reduces overfitting, overcomes missing data

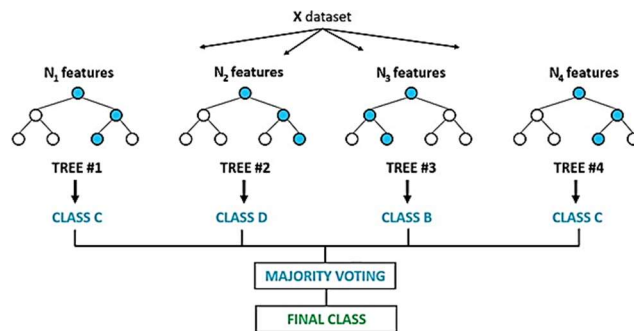


Image: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=goPiwckWE9M>



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Naive Bayes Classifier



- Naive bayes classifier
 - Supervised learning
 - A Probability Classifier using Bayes theorem.
 - Called 'Naïve' because it requires a strong assumption of independence between input variables.
 - Goal is to calculate Conditional probability for each of possible outcomes (in our case five outcomes are possible)

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B)}$$

using Bayesian probability terminology, the above equation can be written as

$$\text{Posterior} = \frac{\text{prior} \times \text{likelihood}}{\text{evidence}}$$

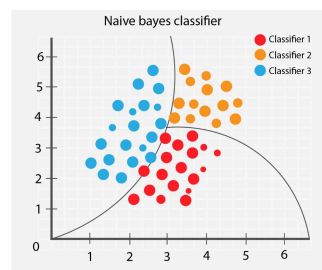


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Support Vector Machine



- Support vector machine
 - Supervised learning
 - Classification, less common regression, geometrical split, kernel function to increase dimensions

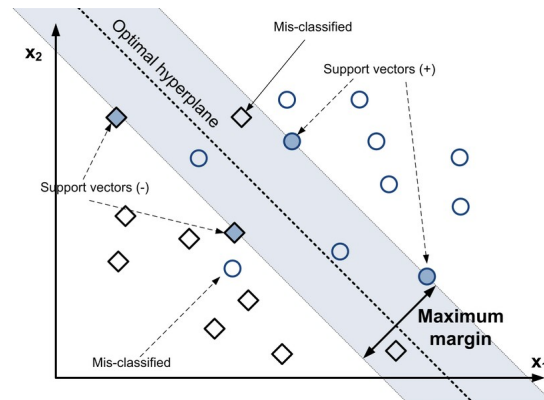
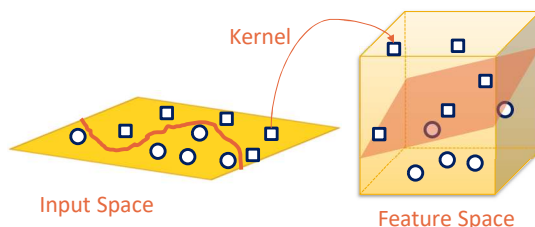


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Python Code for Fitting the models



```

1 #Decision Tree Algorithm
2 modelDTA = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion = "entropy", random_state = 100)
3 modelDTA.fit(data2SVM, data3)
4 #Random Forest Algorithm
5 modelRFA = RandomForestClassifier(n_jobs = 2, random_state = 0)
6 modelRFA.fit(data2SVM, data3)
7 #Naive Bayes Classifier
8 modelNBC = GaussianNB()
9 modelNBC.fit(data2SVM, data3)
10 #Support Vector Machine
11 modelSVM = svm.SVC(C = 100)
12 modelSVM.fit(data2SVM, data3)

```

Parameter Explanatory:

- **Entropy** : criterion of split in this case information gain, alternative gini for the impurity
- **Random_state** : The features are always randomly permuted at each split to choose the one to split at certain node
- **N_jobs** : Number of jobs to run in parallel
- **Random_state** : As above, not important better to be fixed to reproduce results
- **GaussianNB** : main formula to be applied, in this case this is the best (numerical data), others are for categorical data. Others are, Gaussian, Multinomial (text), Complement, Bernoulli, Categorical.
- **C** : Regularization parameter, the bigger the most accurate but the most time consuming as well.



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Predicting the results

Python Code

```

1 #Decision Tree Algorithm
2 predictDTA = modelDTA.predict(data5SVM)
3 print(predictDTA[0:25])
4 print("")
5 #Random Forest Algorithm
6 predictRFA = modelRFA.predict(data5SVM)
7 print(predictRFA[0:25])
8 print("")
9 #Naive Bayes Classifier
10 predictNBC = modelNBC.predict(data5SVM)
11 print(predictNBC[0:25])
12 print("")
13 #Support Vector Machine
14 predictSVM = modelSVM.predict(data5SVM)
15 print(predictSVM[0:25])

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Predictions

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A – Annular

DB – Dispersed Bubble

I – Intermittent

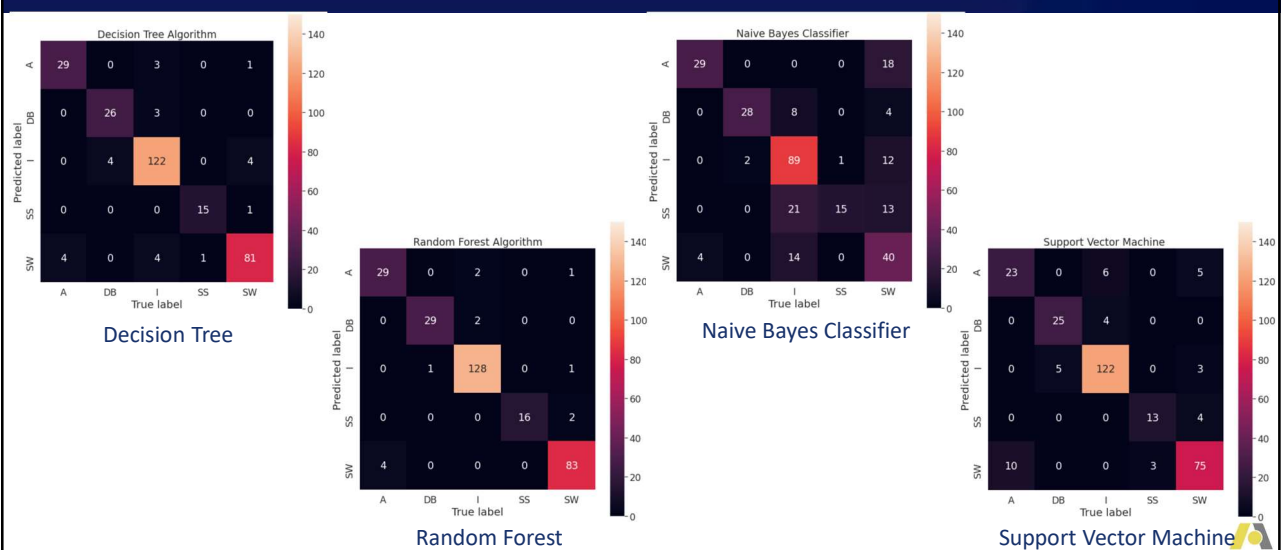
SS – Stratified Smooth

SW – Stratified Wavy



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Results – Confusion Matrix for Each ML Method



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Comparing methods

```

1 title = ['Decision Tree Algorithm Result:', 'Random Forest Algorithm Results:',
2         'Naive Bayes Classifier Results:', 'Support Vector Machine Results:']
3 accuracy = [predictDTA, predictRFA, predictNBC, predictSVM]
4 for x, y in zip(title, accuracy):
5     str = '\033[1m' + x + '\033[0m'
6     print('')
7     print(str)
8     print('')
9     print('Accuracy:', "%.2f" % (accuracy_score(data6, y)* 100))

```

Decision Tree Algorithm Result:

Accuracy: 91.61

Random Forest Algorithm Results:

Accuracy: 95.64

Naive Bayes Classifier Results:

Accuracy: 67.45

Support Vector Machine Results:

Accuracy: 86.58

Algorithm	Accuracy, %
Decision Tree	91.61
Random Forest	95.64
Naive Bayes Classifier	67.45
Support Vector Machine	86.58

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Conclusions

- This study shows that the best machine learning method *for this purpose, among the evaluated ones*, is the **Random Forest** algorithm. The Decision Tree algorithm is right behind.
- This study confirms what is known from experience and theory, that the flow pattern can be accurately predicted if the superficial velocities are known, and the inclination angles are considered.
- This study may be even more useful if done using dimensionless parameters.

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More detailed References on this topic

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6.0. Well Test Analysis

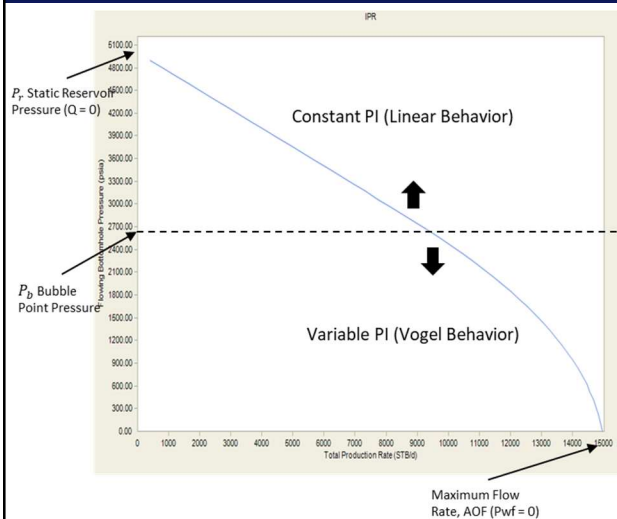
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Productivity Determination



- Well's productivity, Inflow Performance Relationship – IPR, is helpful
 - Operating a well safely while honoring the capacity of
 - Reservoir
 - Surface equipment
 - Artificial lift equipment
 - Designing for conditions as reservoir and surface operations change
 - Completion changes
 - Artificial lift changes
 - Stimulation
 - EOR
- Well tests provide snapshot on well's productivity.



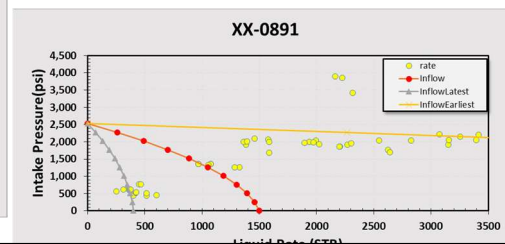
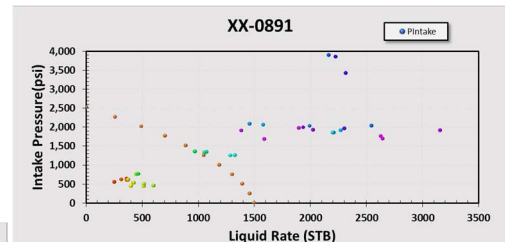
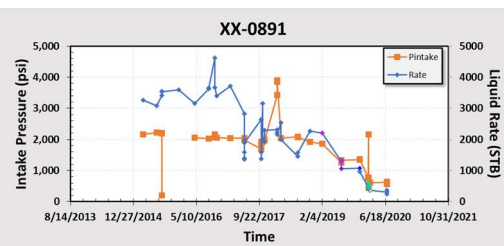
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Challenge of Productivity Determination



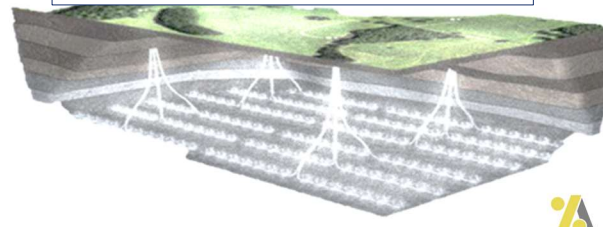
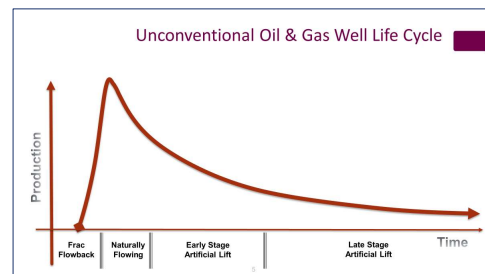
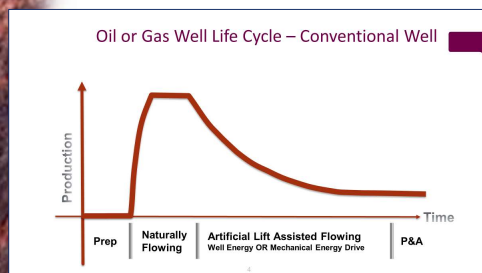
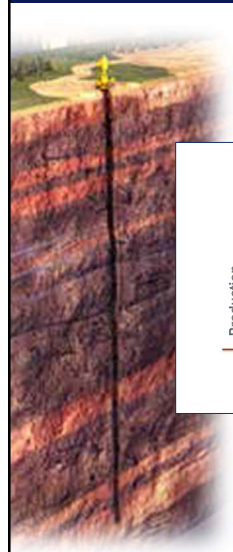
- Well's productivity changes over time as reservoir is depleted and/or enhanced oil recovery processes are applied.

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6/30/2020 10:15	252	137	560
6/30/2020 9:00	313	146	623
2/19/2020 12:00	369	165	603
2/19/2020 11:00	364	167	606
2/19/2020 10:00	370	169	605
2/19/2020 8:30	374	166	615
2/5/2020 18:00	399	255	449
2/5/2020 17:00	514	199	490
7/6/2019 10:15	1326	266	1264
7/6/2019 8:30	1286	256	1257
2/4/2019 10:15	2206	420	1860
2/4/2019 8:15	2200	424	1859
10/28/2018 10:00	7569.66	470.89	19114
3/11/2018 11:10	1992	418	2035
3/11/2018 9:30	2544	428	2036
2/9/2018 11:15	2183	400	3896
2/9/2018 8:30	2224	394	3857
2/6/2018 10:45	2311	117	3422
5/24/2017 13:15	2824	62	2040
2/2/2017 8:15	3711	326	2048
10/20/2016 8:15	3383	447	2051
10/1/2016 22:00	3664	415	2077
10/1/2016 19:00	4672	71	2161
8/11/2015 14:00	3540	462	2198
8/11/2015 13:00	3544	442	195
8/11/2015 11:15	3435	439	2205
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Unconventional Lifecycle is different



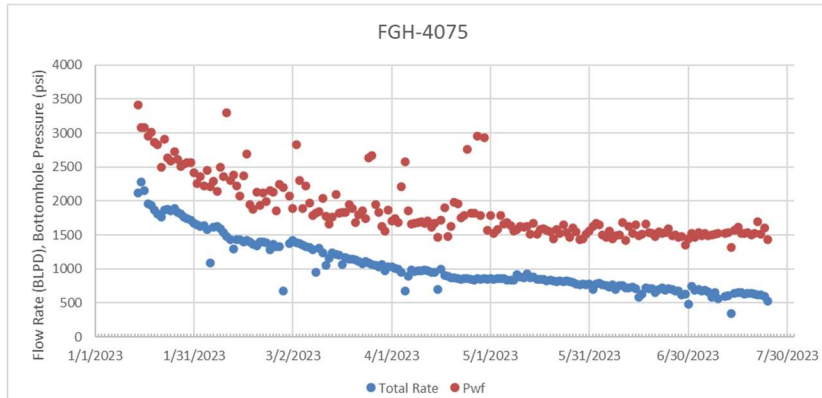
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Challenge of Productivity Determination



- In unconventional, productivity changes are drastic, particularly in an earlier part of the well's life cycle.

Test Date	Total Rate	Oil	Water	Gas	WC	Pwf
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7/25/2023	558	280	310	428	51.3	1430.3
7/26/2023	619	281	328	467	53	1430.3
7/27/2023	650	340	310	450	53	1430.3
7/28/2023	674	311	363	442	53.9	1499.1
7/29/2023	707.8	313.1	374.7	459.1	52.9	1592.1
7/30/2023	665	324	361	445	52.7	1535.8
7/31/2023	688	318	360	443.5	52.7	1535.8
8/1/2023	785	369	416	511.6	53	1672.7
8/2/2023	704	324	380	288	54	1625.5
8/3/2023	781	375	406	470	52	1446.3
8/4/2023	766	365	401	476	52.3	1428.5
8/5/2023	980	478	502	678	51.2	1679.5
8/6/2023	976	473	501	676	51.3	1695
8/7/2023	977	510	394	655	53.5	1473.5
8/8/2023	954	436	458	593	52.2	1329.4
8/9/2023	1243	600	643	836	51.7	1799
8/10/2023	1158	554	604	728	52.2	1698
8/11/2023	1328	634	694	291	52.3	2232.1
8/12/2023	1453	647	706	876	51.2	1590.4
8/13/2023	1393.2	651.6	741.5	896.3	51.2	1543.2
8/14/2023	1424	663.3	780.6	900.4	33.4	2696.7
8/15/2023	1409	697.4	784.4	786.7	44.1	1739.4
8/16/2023	1593.8	733	860.8	975	54	2492.2
8/17/2023	1626.6	749	877.6	1015	54	2138.8
8/18/2023	1600.1	800	1000.1	1000	53.8	2500.0
8/19/2023	1780.8	796.8	964	1019.5	54.7	2495.3
8/20/2023	2805.9	811.5	994.4	1023.1	55.1	2930.7
8/21/2023	2184.4	940.3	1039	1064.4	55	2861.0
8/22/2023	2277.7	1023.5	1254.2	1292.3	55.1	3080.8
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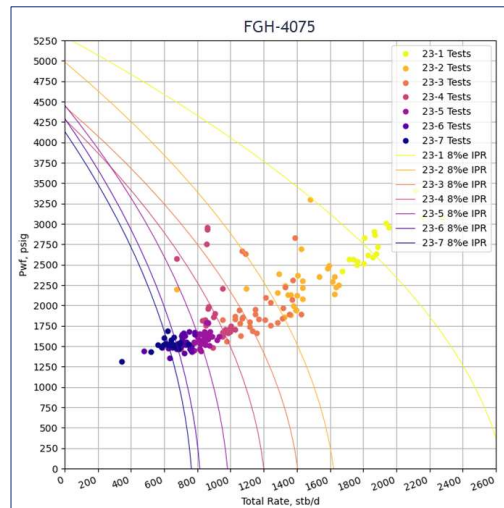
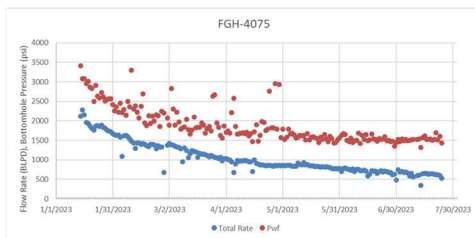


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How do you determine IPR parameters?




- SBHP & PI both vary simultaneously.
- Considerable data volume




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Workflow





- Import Well tests usually from a CSV or an excel file.
- Select a group of well test
 - Conventional well – Usually same month or quarter tests
 - Unconventional with high frequency
 - 3-days or 5-days
- Use `scipy.optimize` to minimize errors between calculated and measured flow rates for each group, assuming constant P_b , and varying SBHP, PI, and AOF.
 - Calculate the flow rate for each data set using an unsaturated Vogel model.
- Select SBHP, PI values within error tolerance.



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Workflow Demonstration





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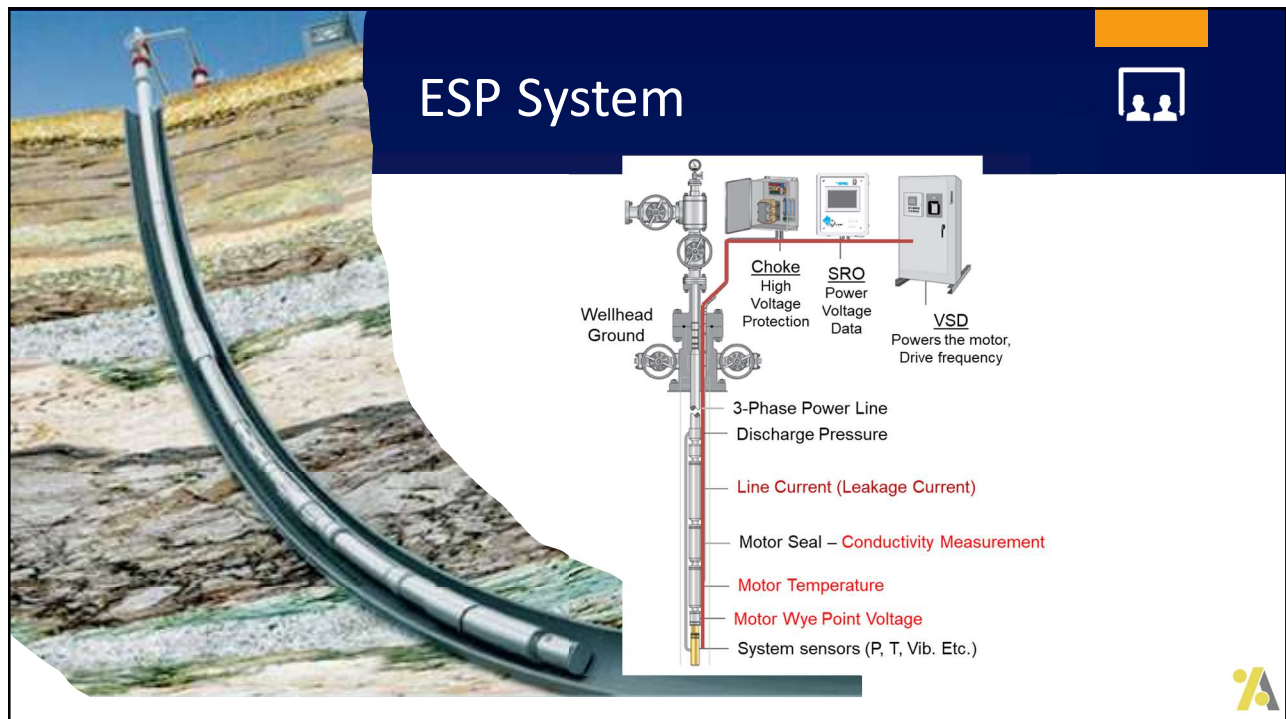
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Critical Real-time Measurements




Surface Measurements	Downhole Measurements
<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Wellhead Pressure➤ Casing Pressure➤ Flowline Pressure➤ Choke Opening➤ Frequency	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Intake Pressure➤ Intake Temperature➤ Discharge Sub Pressure➤ Vibration (Vx, Vy, Vz)➤ Line Voltage➤ Motor Temperature➤ Line Current (Leakage Current)➤ Wye Point Voltage➤ Motor Fluid Conductivity

Measurements shown in **RED** are indicators of the **Electrical Health** of the ESP System.




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Non-Real-time measurements are equally important

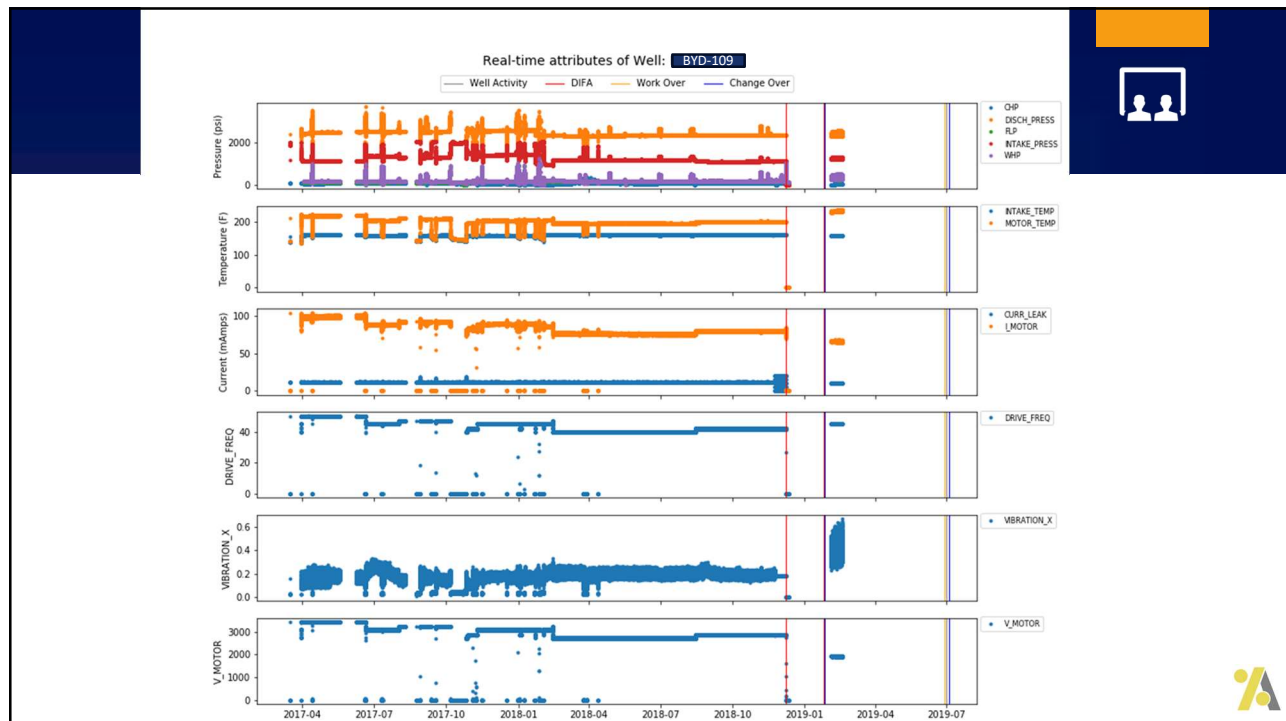
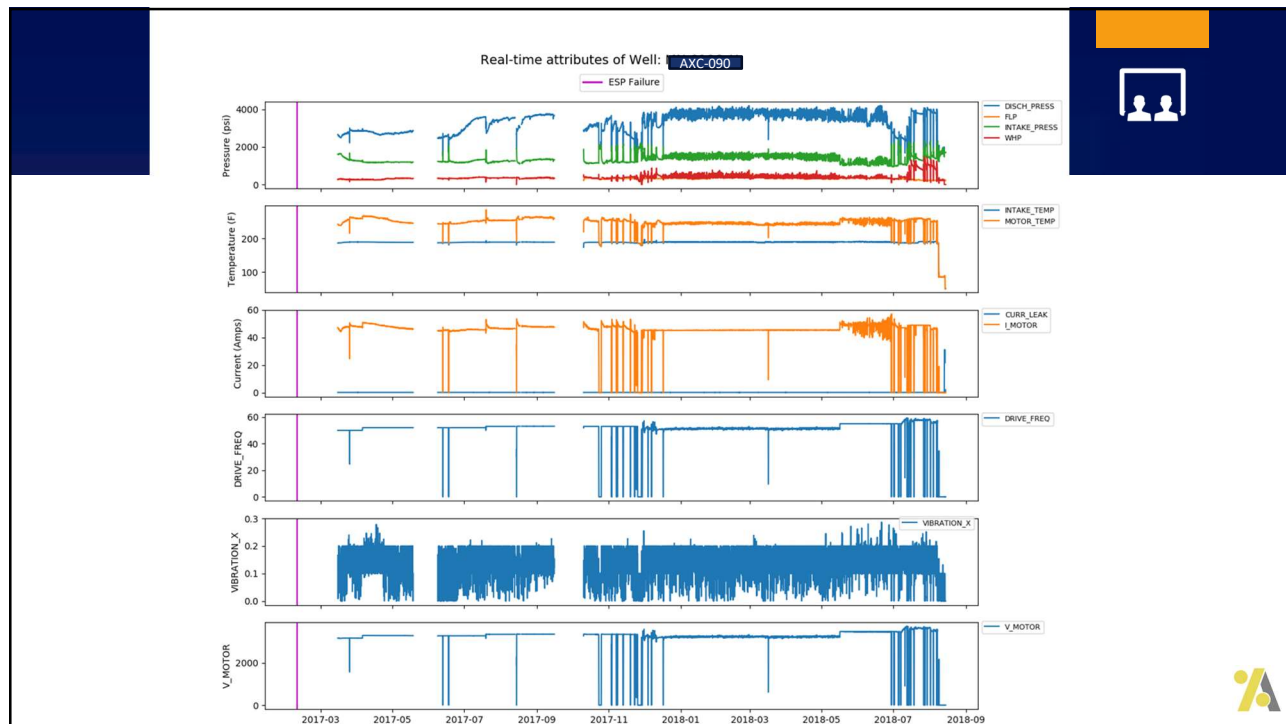


- Well tests
- ESP Equipment
 - History
 - Any component reused?
 - Run-time and time-from-installation
 - DIFA – Dismantle, Failure Analysis
- Well activity reports – including servicing work
- DIFA reports



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7.0. ESP Failure Analysis – A Review



Failure Prediction for ESP using ML – Case Study 1



- ESP Well and Component Failure Prediction in Advance using Engineered Analytics
 - A Breakthrough in Minimizing Unscheduled Subsurface Deferments
 - Introduction
 - Analytical Data Modeling
 - Machine Learning
 - Approach and Process
 - Data Preparation
 - Data Gathering
 - Data Pre-Processing
 - Model Building
 - Dataset Sample Selection
 - Model Training
 - Feature Selection and Engineering
 - Parameter Tuning
 - Model Testing
 - Creating a Dataset for Model Testing
 - Model Scoring
 - Test Results
 - Model Evaluation by Well Owners (Operator's Blind Test)
 - Methodology
 - Operator's Blind Test Results
 - Value Generated by the Analytical Model
 - Conclusions and the way ahead
 - References

Static Data

Installation and Commissioning data
Well Completion information
ESP Well Failure history
Ad-hoc information (emails, spreadsheet, reports, photos)

Dynamic Data

Downhole Gauge: Pump Discharge & Intake pressures, Motor temperature, Intake temperature, vibration etc.
Motor Controller: Electrical readings, well running status and trip conditions.
Surface Pressure Gauges: Tubing head pressure, Flow line pressure

Calculated Data

Well Model Based Calculated Data: Inferred production and Pump Efficiencies calculated from the Physics based models in Real Time

Supervised learning approach: Random Forest based classifier developed using above and engineered features like standard deviations, param differences across fixed time intervals, differential pressures, etc.

Well Level Failure and component level failure models developed.

Source: Marin *et al.* (2019) ESP Well and Component Failure Prediction in Advance using Engineered Analytics - A Breakthrough in Minimizing Unscheduled Subsurface Deferments, SPE-197806



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Failure Prediction for ESP using ML – Case Study 1

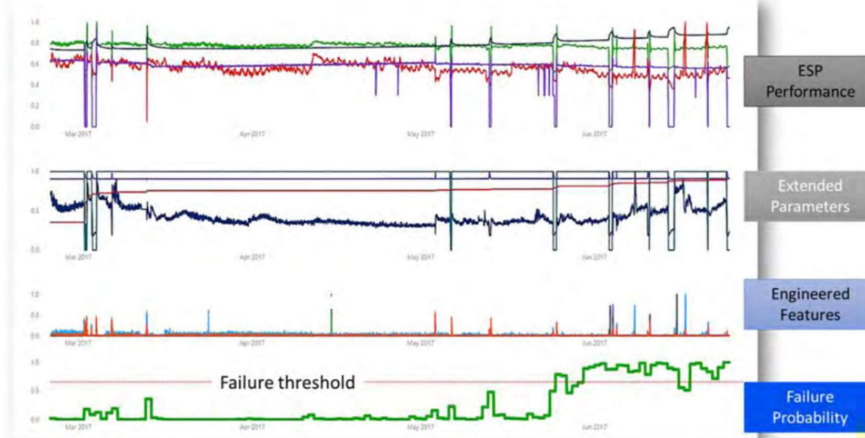


Figure 8—Captured Case (True Positive) where Well Failure Probability crosses the threshold and it is an actual Failure event

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Failure Prediction for ESP using ML – Case Study 1

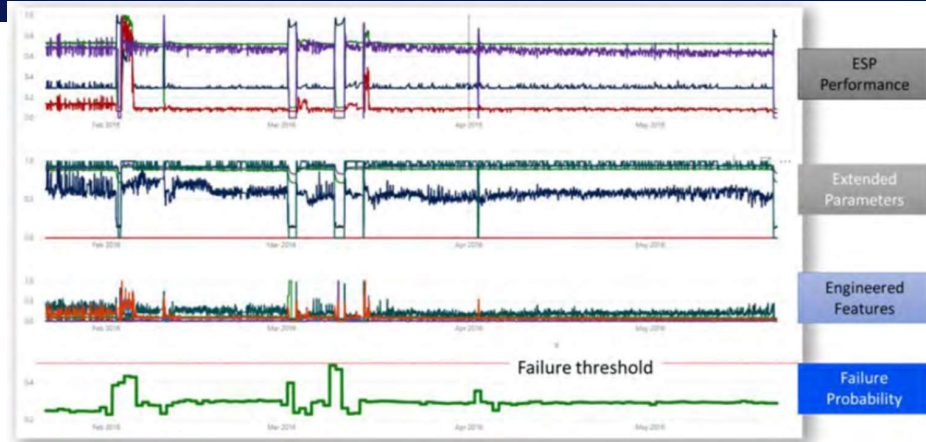


Figure 9—Missed Case (False Negative) where Well Failure Probability does not cross the threshold however it is an actual Failure event

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Failure Prediction for ESP using ML – Case Study 2

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Table 1—Data collected to develop Predictive Failure Analytics (PFA)

Source	Type of Data	Data
(a) ESP Tracking Spreadsheet	ESP Operations and Manufacturing	ESP specifications, run number, installation date, start date, pull date, failure date, field name, well name, event log
(b) DIFA Reports	ESP Reliability Data	ESP pull reason, failure description, root cause, failure component, comments from teardown
(c) SCADA/ Historian	Surface and Downhole Sensor Data, Well Test Data	Drive frequency, motor current, voltage, intake pressure, discharge pressure, wellhead pressure intake temperature, motor temperature, current leakage, vibration, total fluid production rate, water-cut, GOR

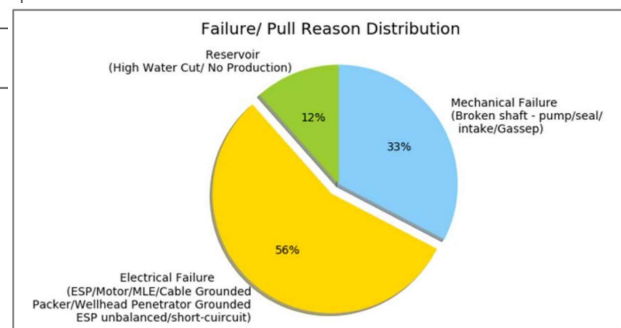


Figure 2—Failure/Pull reason distribution of 101 failed pumps from three producing assets in the Americas.

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Failure Prediction for ESP using ML – Case Study 2

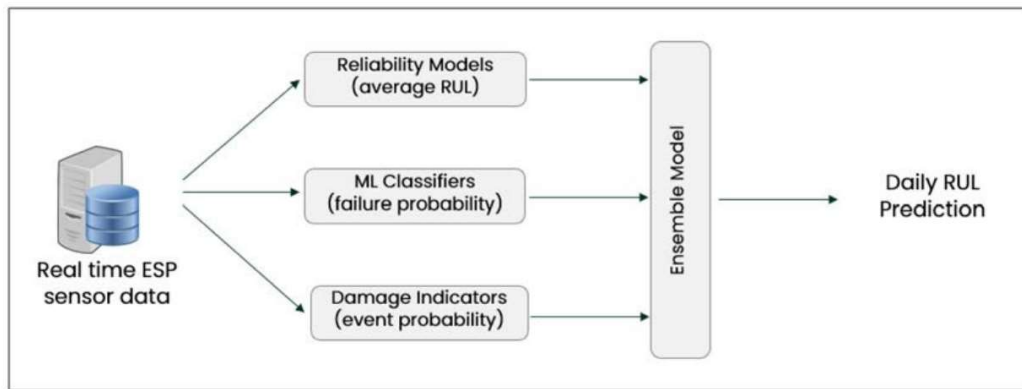


Figure 3—High level diagram of PFA algorithm

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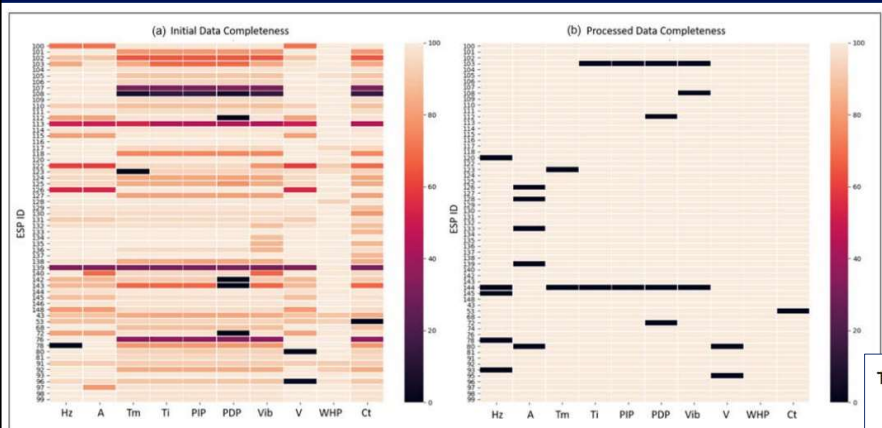


Figure 4—Data completeness comparison. (a) Data completeness prior to data interpolation. (b) Data completeness after data interpolation. Y-axis represents different ESPs in our dataset. Each row stands for a different ESP. X-axis has ten columns one for each sensor being evaluated. Data completeness is represented using a color scheme, the darker the cell is the more data is missing. More specifically, when all the data is available for a specific ESP and tag, the corresponding cell will be colored in light orange (has a value of 100% completeness) whereas when all the data is missing for a specific ESP and tag the corresponding cell will be colored in black (has a value of 0% completeness)

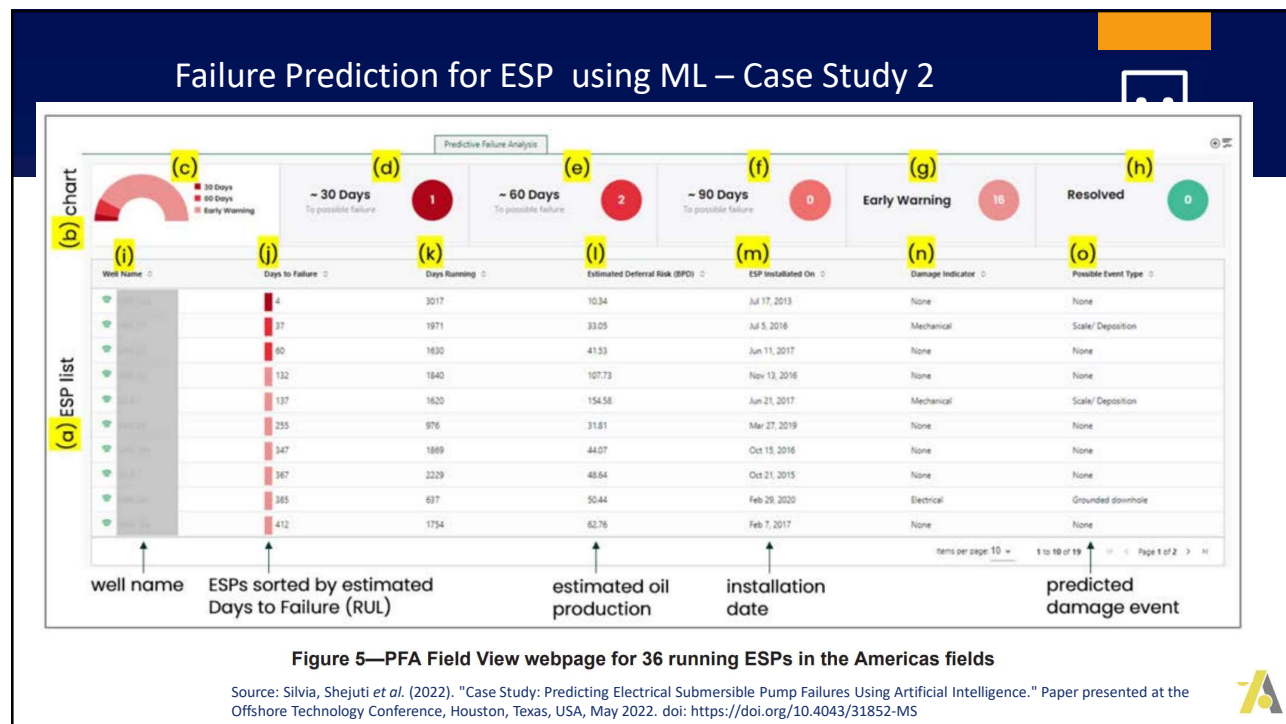
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Table 2—Confusion matrix for PFA performance

		Actual	
		Pump Running	Pump Failed
Prediction	Pump Running	28 (TN)	9 (FN)
	Pump Failed	8 (FP)	9 (TP)

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Conclusions

- ML Solution paths are varied for ESP failure prediction.
- It requires more than real-time data sets.
- Not a single solution has been universally applicable.
 - You have to develop your own for your fields with our data.

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8.0. Downhole Gauge Data – Reservoir Analysis


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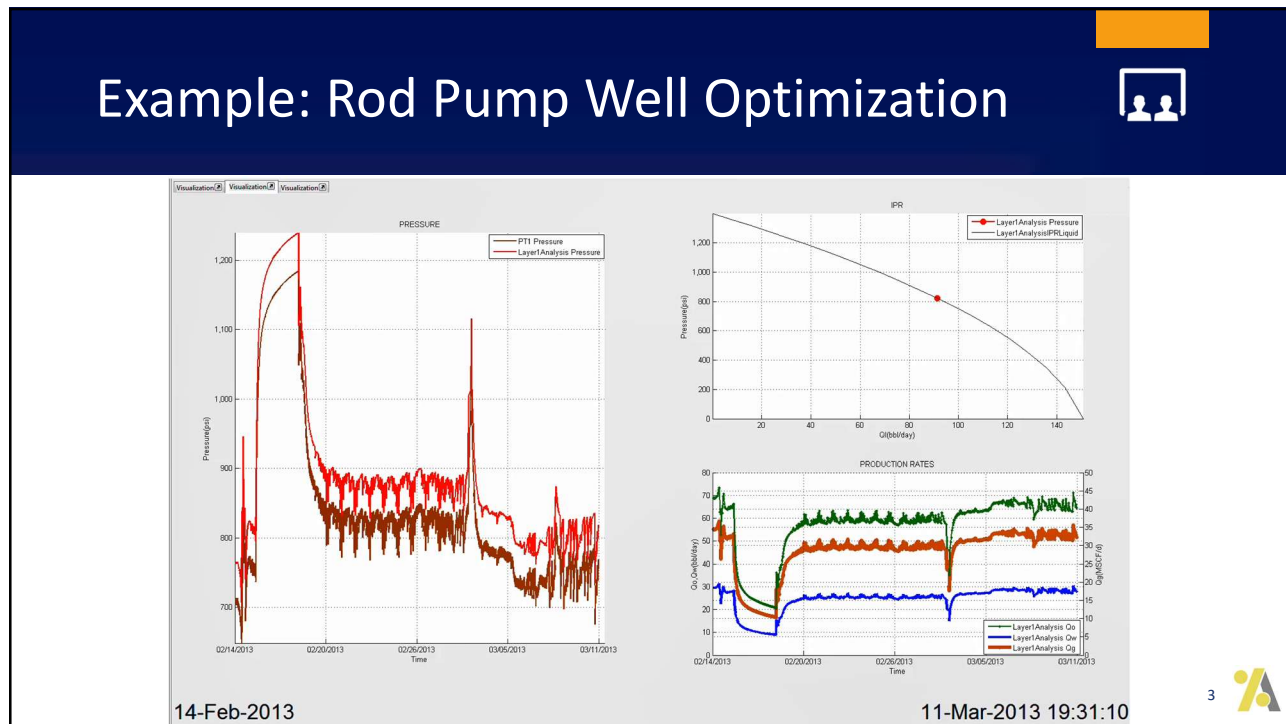
Permanent Downhole Electronic Gauges

- Routine applications
 - Artificial lift monitoring, control & protection, producer-injector surveillance, zonal production management
 - P, T, Vibration measurements
 - Piezo-resistive strain up to 302°F and 10,000 psi
 - Quartz up to 392°F and 25,000 psi
 - Up to 16 gauges on a single conductor cable
- Data rarely applied for reservoir analysis

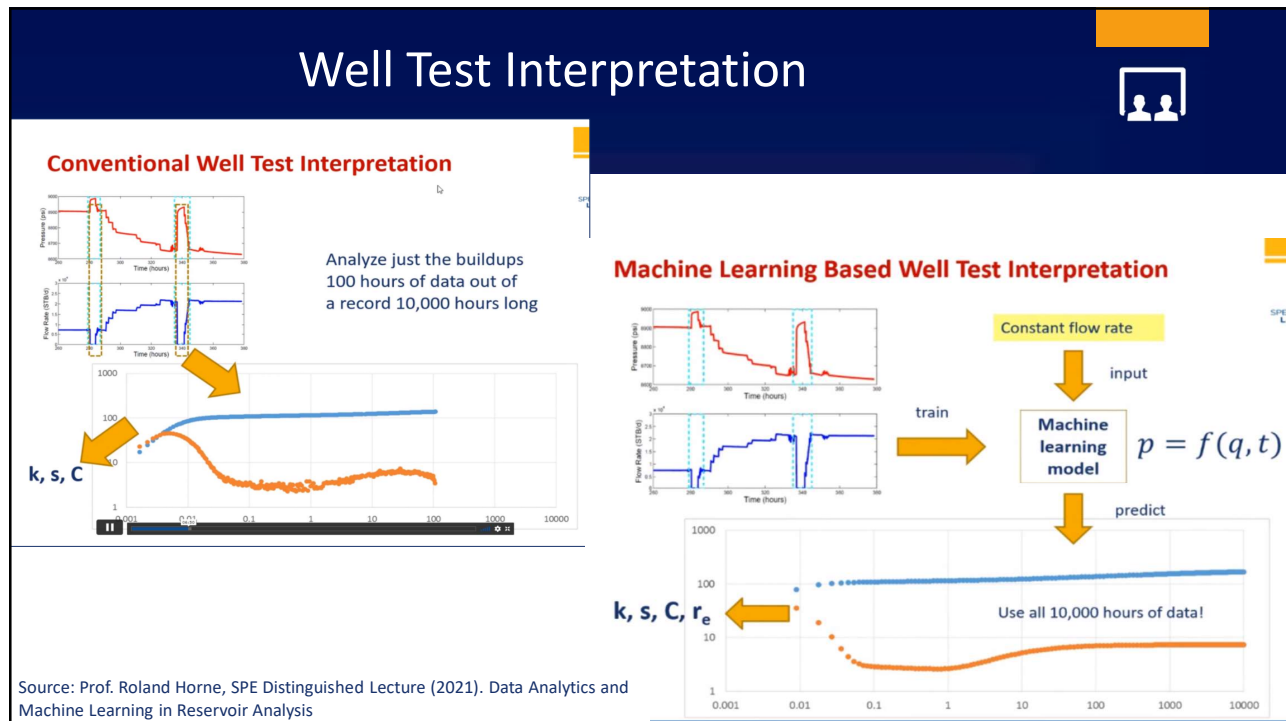


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History Reconstruction

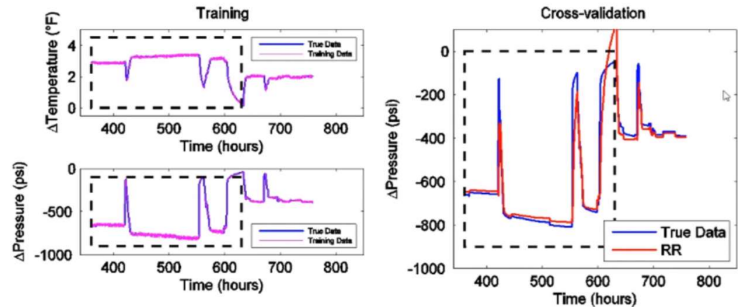
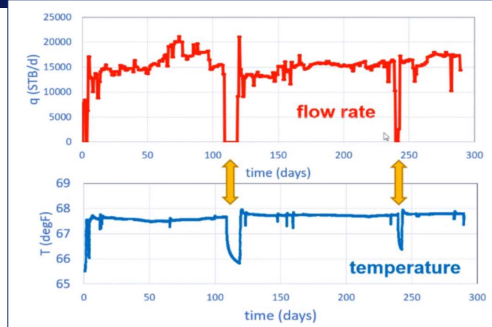


2. Flow Rate Reconstruction

- Idea
 - Machine learning cares about the patterns, not sensitive to the modeling direction

$$p = p(q, t) \text{ to } q = q(p, t)$$

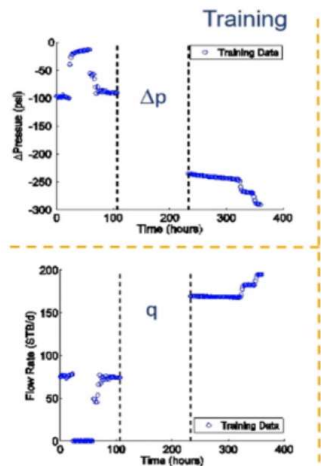
Model from T to p Pressure History Reconstruction



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History Reconstruction for Missing Data

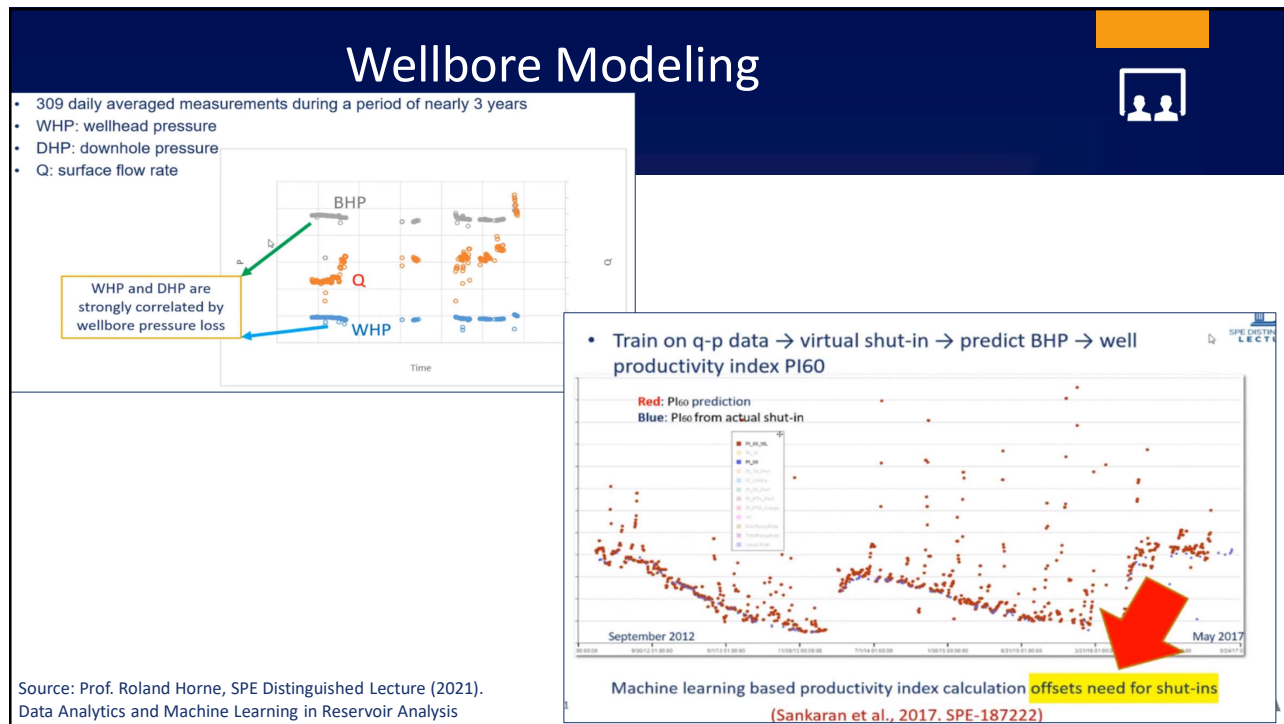


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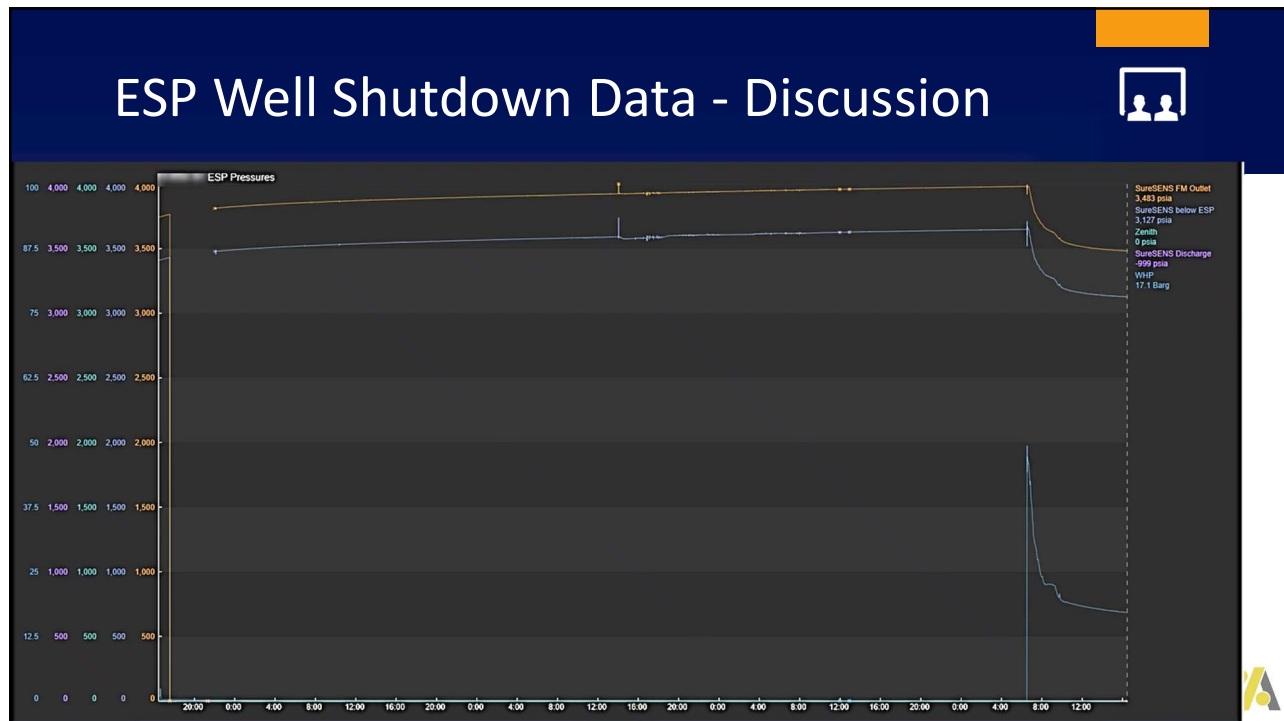


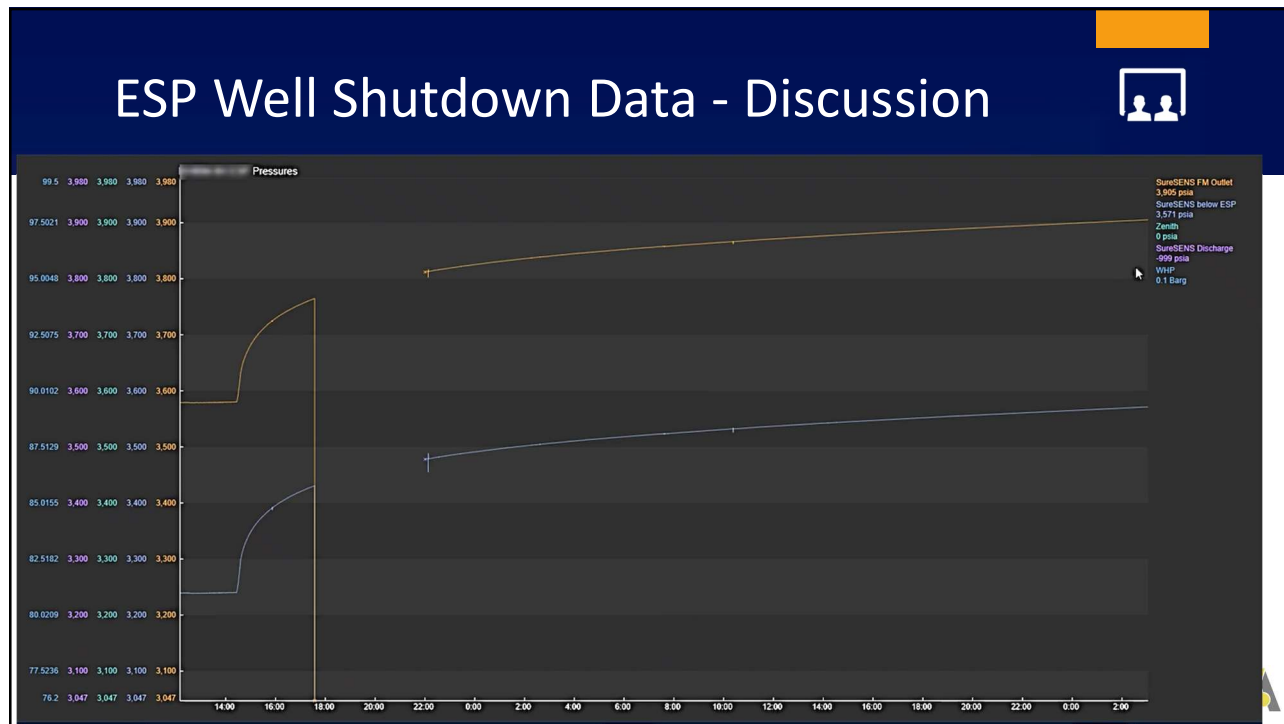
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8.0. Downhole Gauge Data – Reservoir Analysis



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Overall

- Permanent downhole gauges (PDG) [q → p]**
 - Reveal the underlying reservoir model, *robust against noise, outliers and aberrations!*
 - Can use temperature data to add information and/or to substitute flow rate data.
- Flow monitoring [p → q]**
 - Can fill the unrecorded gaps in flow rate records.
 - Can allocate flow well-by-well based on manifold record.
 - **Testing without shut-in!**
- Wellbore modeling [WHP → DHP]**
 - Discovery of relationship between downhole and surface conditions can provide missing data or alert out of pattern events.

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9.0. Optimal Gas Injection in a Single Point Gas lift for Gas Well Deliquification

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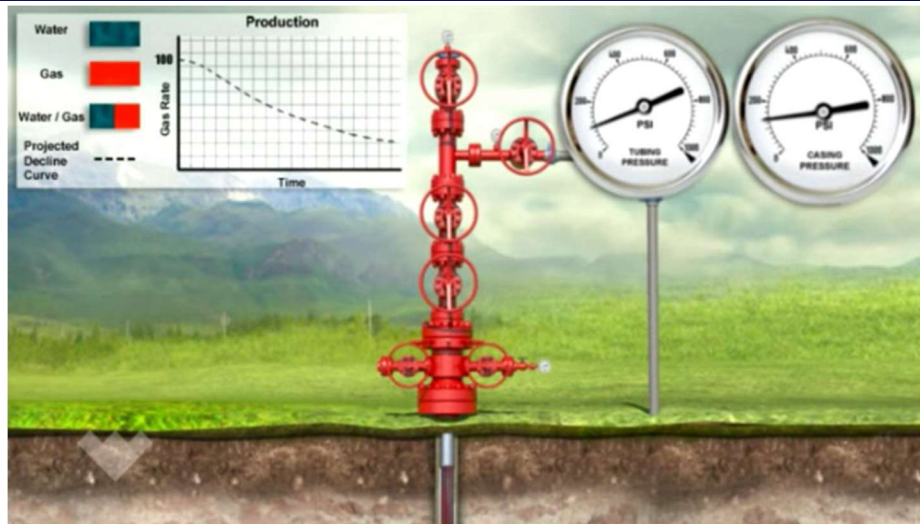
Outline

- Introduction
- Objective
- Data gathering
- Neural Network Design
- Proper Implementation
- Summary
- Takeaways

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Liquid Loading Animation



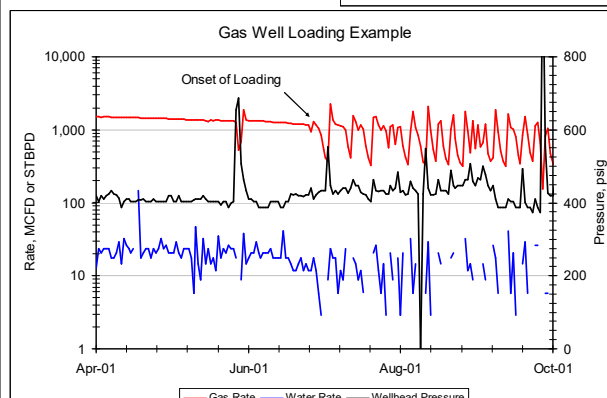
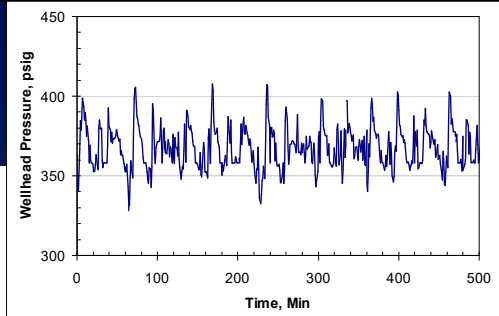
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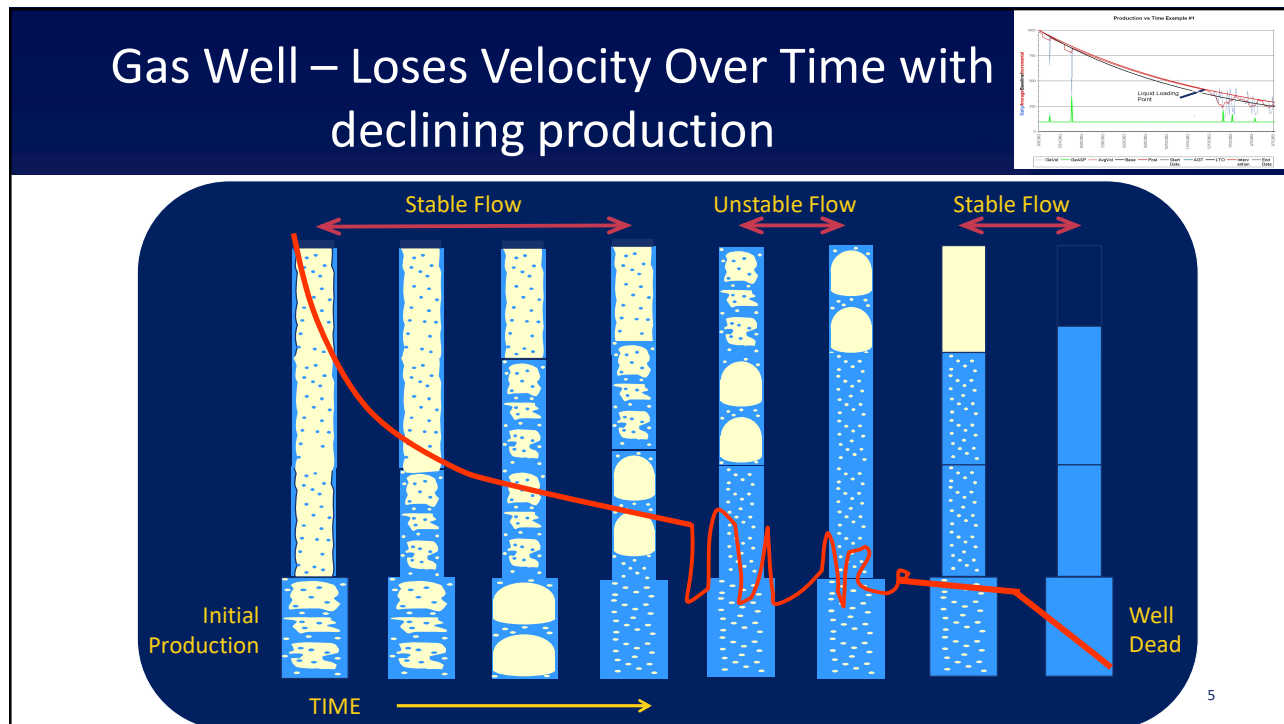
Common Signs of Liquid Loading

- Tubing and casing pressure differential (packerless completion)
- Pressure spikes
- Liquid slugging
- Fluctuating gas production
- Liquid production stops all together

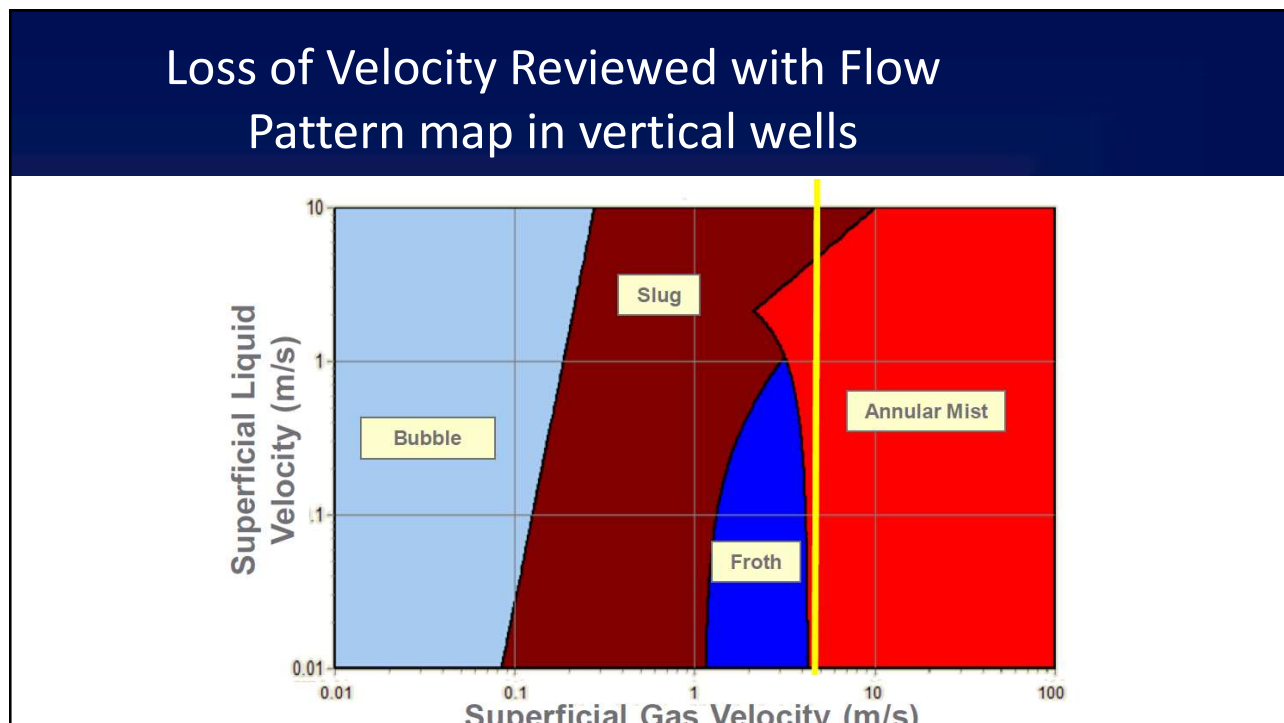


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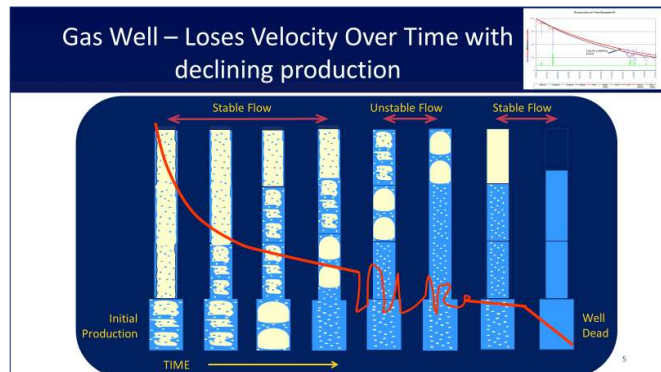
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Liquid Loading Cause & Remedy

- Liquid Loading:
 - “Inability of the produced gas to remove the produced liquids from the wellbore”
 - Decrease in gas velocity.
 - Accumulation of liquids at the bottomhole.
- Artificial-lift method required to continue production.
 - In this application we will consider gas-lift to remove liquid from the wellbore.



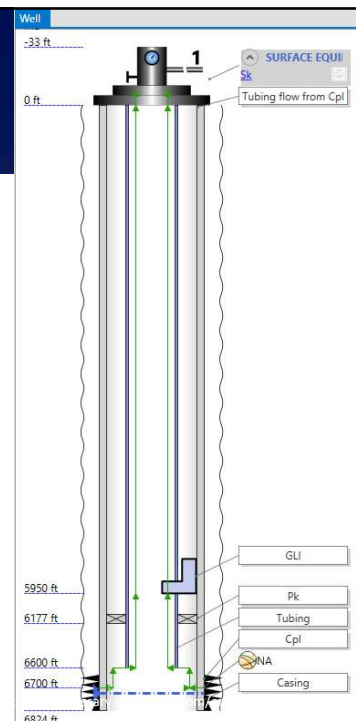
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Gas Lift

- What is gas lift?
 - Reduce bottomhole pressure
 - Valve position
 - Operating pressure
 - Gas injection rate

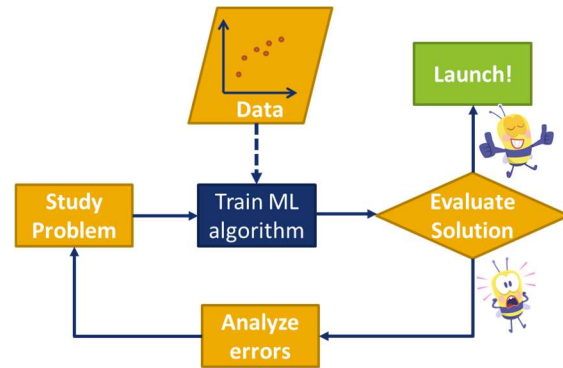


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Objective of this study

- Using a machine learning approach, find the optimum amount of gas to be injected in a single point gas lift in order to maximize production at a specified reservoir pressure.
- Must have available data for the well.
- In this study, we will use
 - A simulation data set, prepared using PipeSim software for a gas-lift well, will be used to train and test a Neural Network Model.
- Would you call this a **hybrid** model?!?



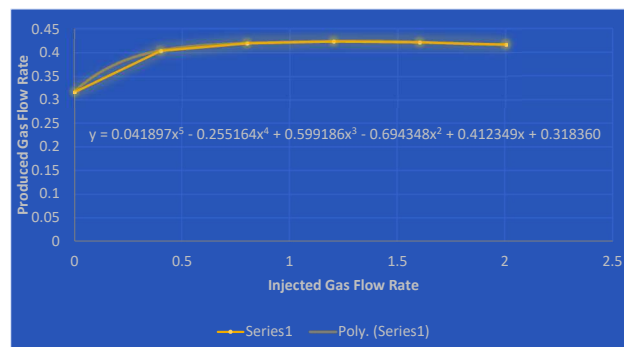
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Data Generation

- For each reservoir pressure:
 - Several production flow rates can be predicted for different injection rates
 - Based on the calculated production rate, the optimal injection rate can be predicted.
 - For the next reservoir pressure, the backpressure model can be written as:

$$C_{Future} = C_{Present} \times \frac{\bar{p}_{res(future)}}{\bar{p}_{res(present)}}$$



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Data Generation Simulations

- Well specifications
- Optimized Variable:
 - Gas Produced
- Independent Variables:
 - Gas injected
 - Reservoir Pressure

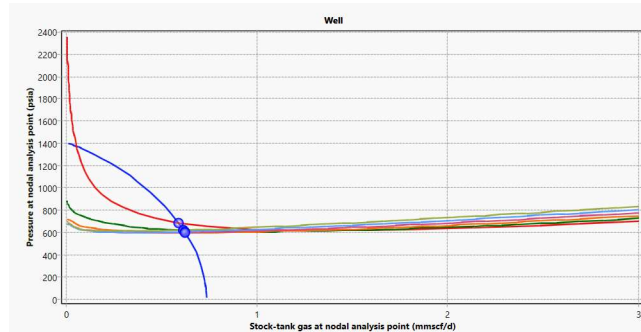
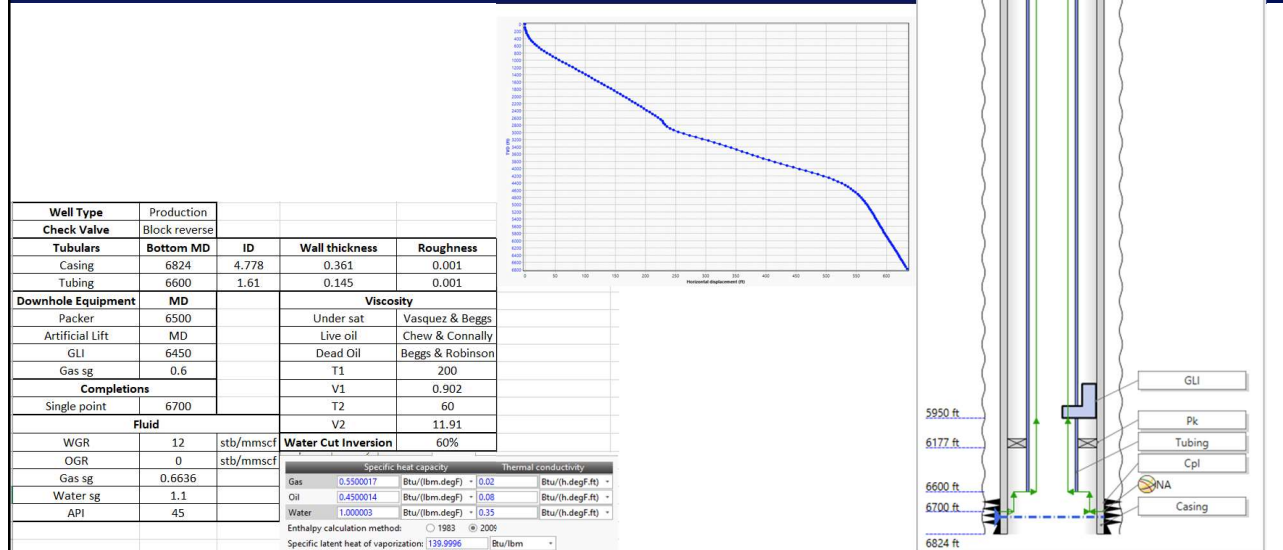


Figure 1. IPR & OPR curve at 1400 psi

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Well Specifications



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Data Organization

- Inputs : Sample_data.txt
- Code divides the input data into training and testing subsets.

sample_data - Notepad

File	Edit	Format	View	Help
1125	0	0.2573383	Pressure1	Qinj1 Qprod1
1125	0.4	0.3744137	Pressure1	Qinj2 Qprod2
1125	0.8	0.3914381	Pressure1	Qinj3 Qprod3
1125	1.2	0.3961193	Pressure1	Qinj4 Qprod4
1125	1.6	0.3944014	Pressure1	Qinj5 Qprod5
1125	2	0.3897824	Pressure1	Qinj6 Qprod6
1150	0	0.302789	Pressure2	Qinj1 Qprod7
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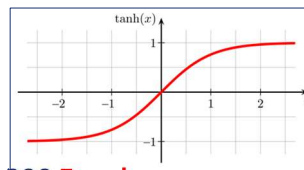
Neural Network Development in Python

Libraries used:

- Numpy
- Pandas
- Matplotlib
- Sklearn
- Tensorflow

Code Specifications:

- Two Inputs: Reservoir Pressure, Injection Rate
- One Output: Production Rates
- Two Hidden Layers with four neurons each
- Tangent Hyperbolic **Activation Function: tanh**



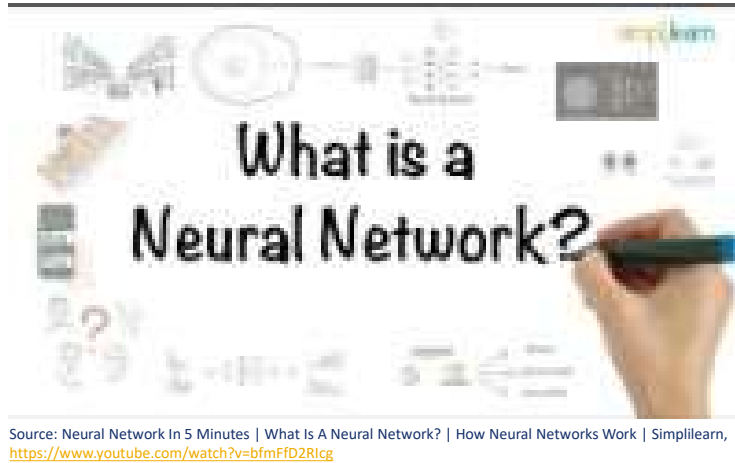
An activation function outputs a small value for small inputs, and a larger value if its inputs exceed a threshold. If the inputs are large enough, the activation function "fires", otherwise it does nothing. In other words, an activation function is like a gate that checks that an incoming value is greater than a critical number.

– 200 Epochs

- an epoch refers to one cycle through the full training dataset. Usually, training a neural network takes more than a few epochs.

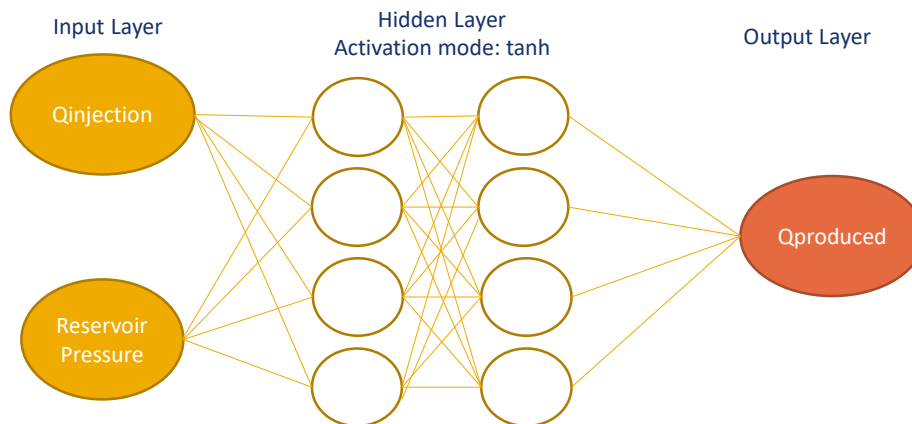
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Neural Network – Explanation



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Neural Network Model



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Summary

- Possible applications:
 - Analyze multiple wells quickly.
 - Combine with simulation software.
 - Track reservoir pressure in real time.

Production decreases
due to liquid loading

Record reservoir
pressure

Run program to find
optimum injection rate

Implement solution

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Takeaways

- This project explored and proved the feasibility of machine learning as a tool to solve industry production problems.
- The main benefit of using machine learning is that it is capable of solving problems involving large data sets in short amount of time and accurately.

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10.0. Slug Catcher Design: Flow Patterns Application

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Outline

- **Applications**
- Gas-Liquid flow patterns
- Data analytics
 - Database
 - Neural networks



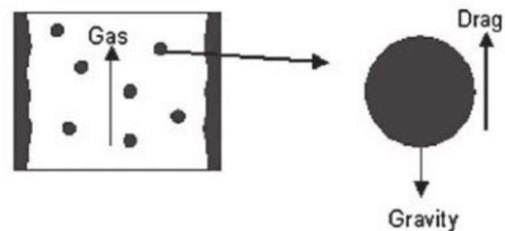
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Applications of Flow Pattern Prediction



- Liquid loading
 - At late production, gas velocity is not sufficient to lift liquids
 - Formation water
 - Condensed hydrocarbons
- Liquid accumulation
 - Reduced flow rates
 - Killing of well
- Deviation from annular flow

Liquid Transport in a Vertical Gas Well

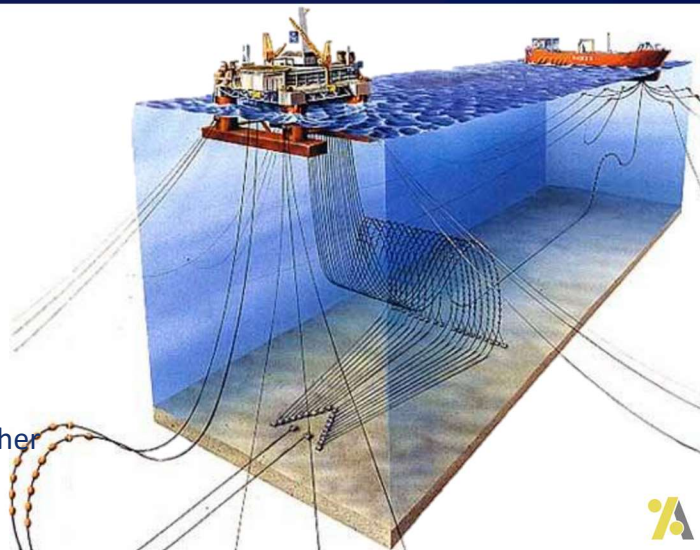


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Importance of Flow Pattern Prediction



- Severe slugging
 - Liquid overflow
 - Separator shutdown
 - Problems in flaring
 - Erosion in riser
- Detection
 - Stratified flow in pipeline
 - Bøe Criterion to evaluate further

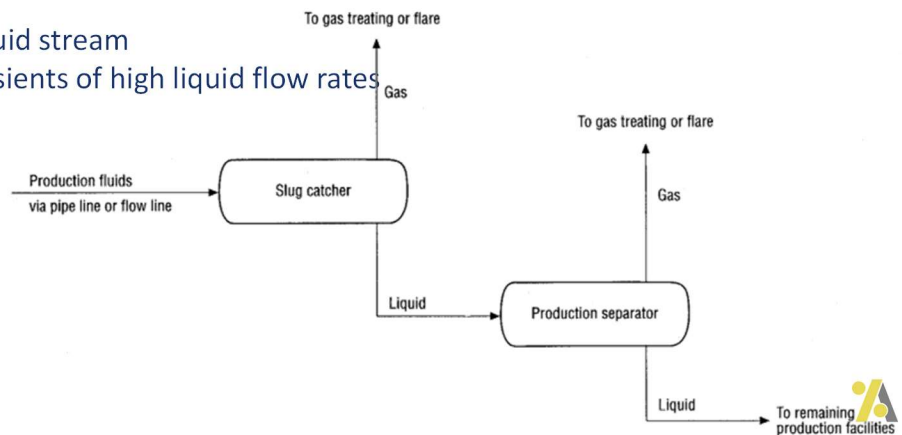


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Importance of Flow Pattern Prediction

Slug catchers are Process equipment that averages the flow transient behavior

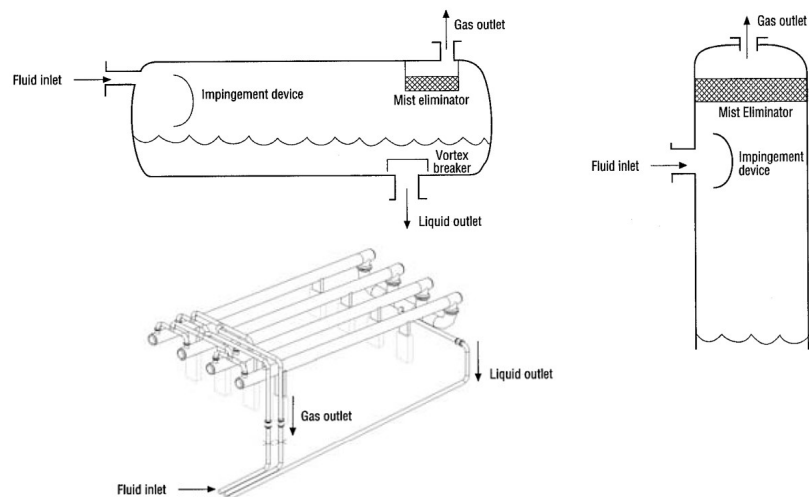
- Enough capacity
- Steady outlet liquid stream
- Attune inlet transients of high liquid flow rates



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Types of Slug Catchers

- Horizontal
- Vertical
- Finger type

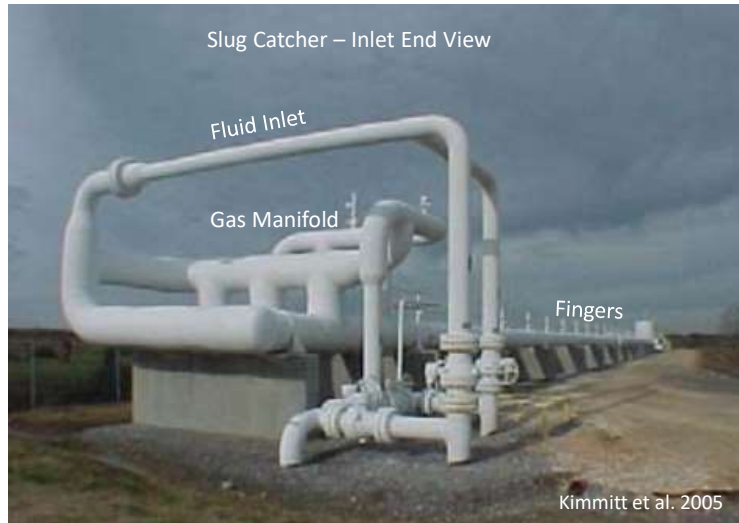


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Finger Type Operation



- Advantages
 - Piping components
- Finger operation
 - Stratified flow
- Finger design
 - Capacity
 - Flow pattern



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Outline



- Applications
- **Gas-Liquid flow patterns**
- Data analytics
 - Database
 - Neural networks



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Flow Patterns Two Phase Flow

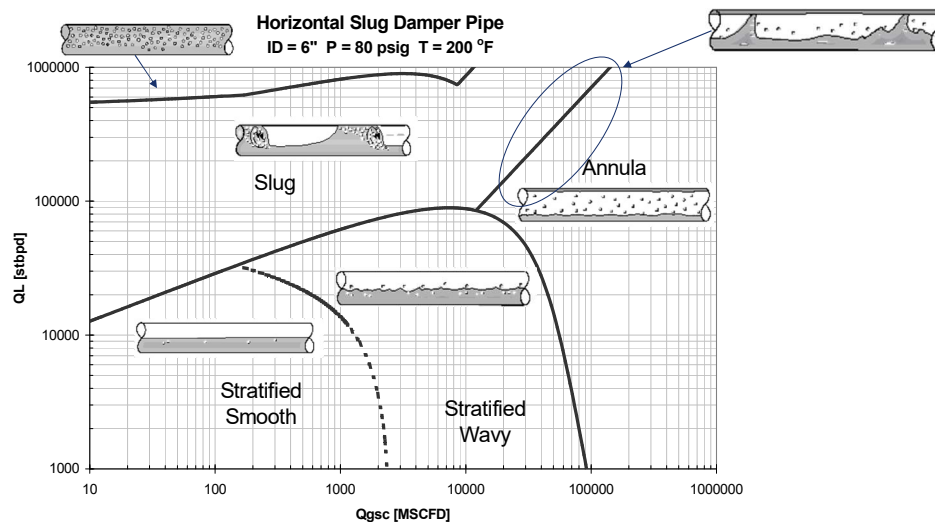


Each phase in a gas-liquid flow has a flowing resistance which depends on thermo-physical properties (μ_i, ρ_i, σ) and flow conditions ($v_{s,i}, \theta, D$, etc.). The resulting phase distribution for given conditions is known as a flow pattern.



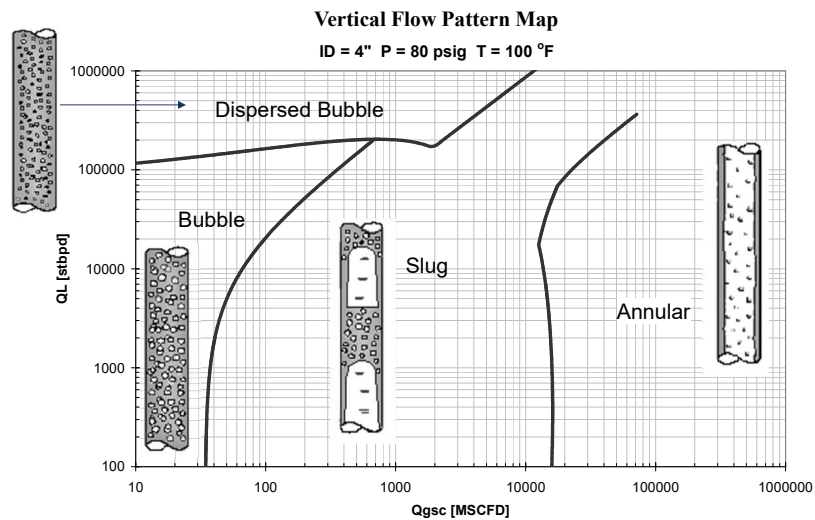
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Horizontal Flow Patterns



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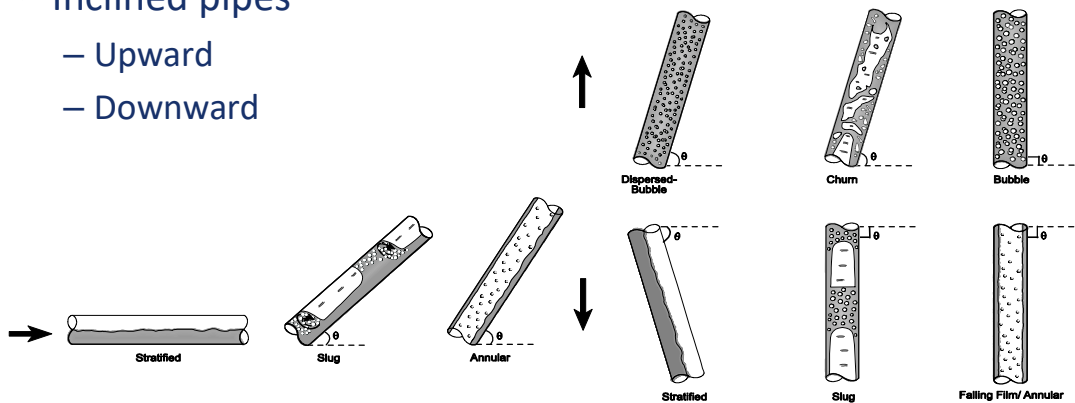
Vertical Flow Patterns



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Inclined Flow Patterns

- Inclined pipes
 - Upward
 - Downward




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Flow Pattern Models




Physics model (e.g. Barnea)	Data driven model (e.g. Neural Network)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simplified Physical Mechanisms<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Buoyancy vs. Turbulence– Instability growth– Bubble characterization (rise velocity, size)• Use of data-driven correlations for closure relationships• Very well explored<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Limitations are known– Vast literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reliance on the training data<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Validity– Proximity• Hard to interpret results<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Verify– Lack of insights• Just started being explored<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Lack of confidence– Use with caution




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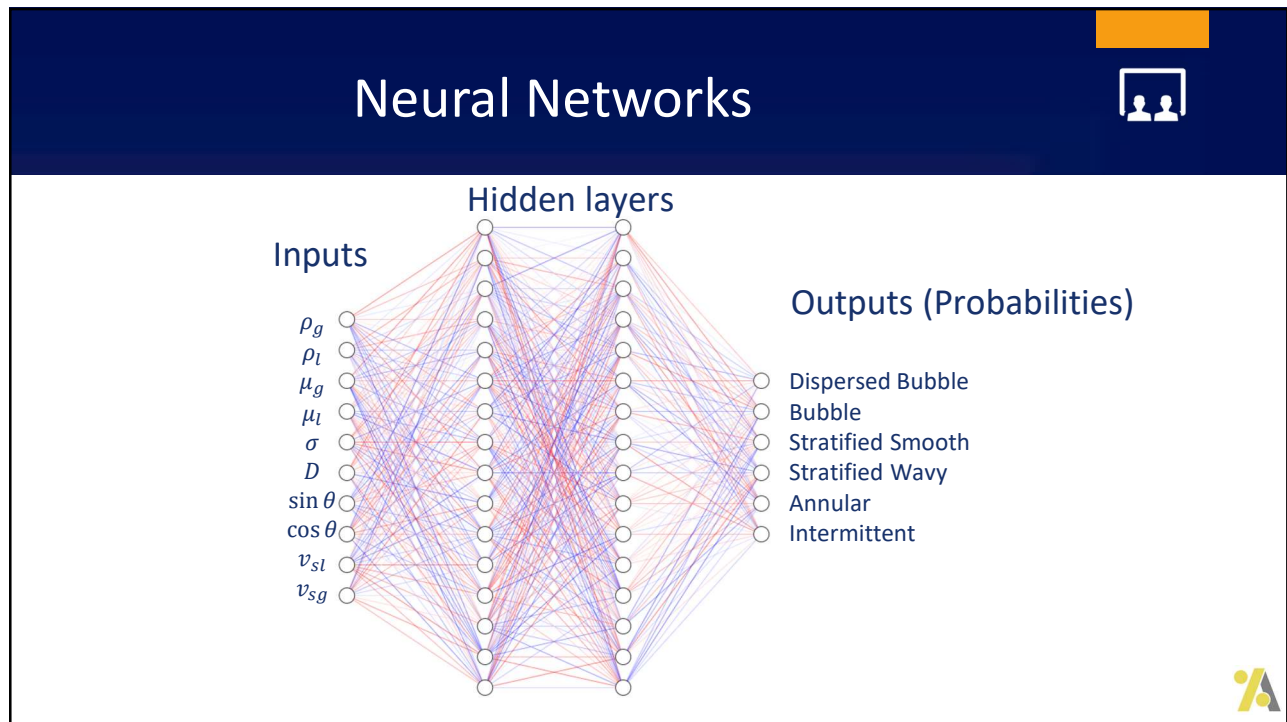
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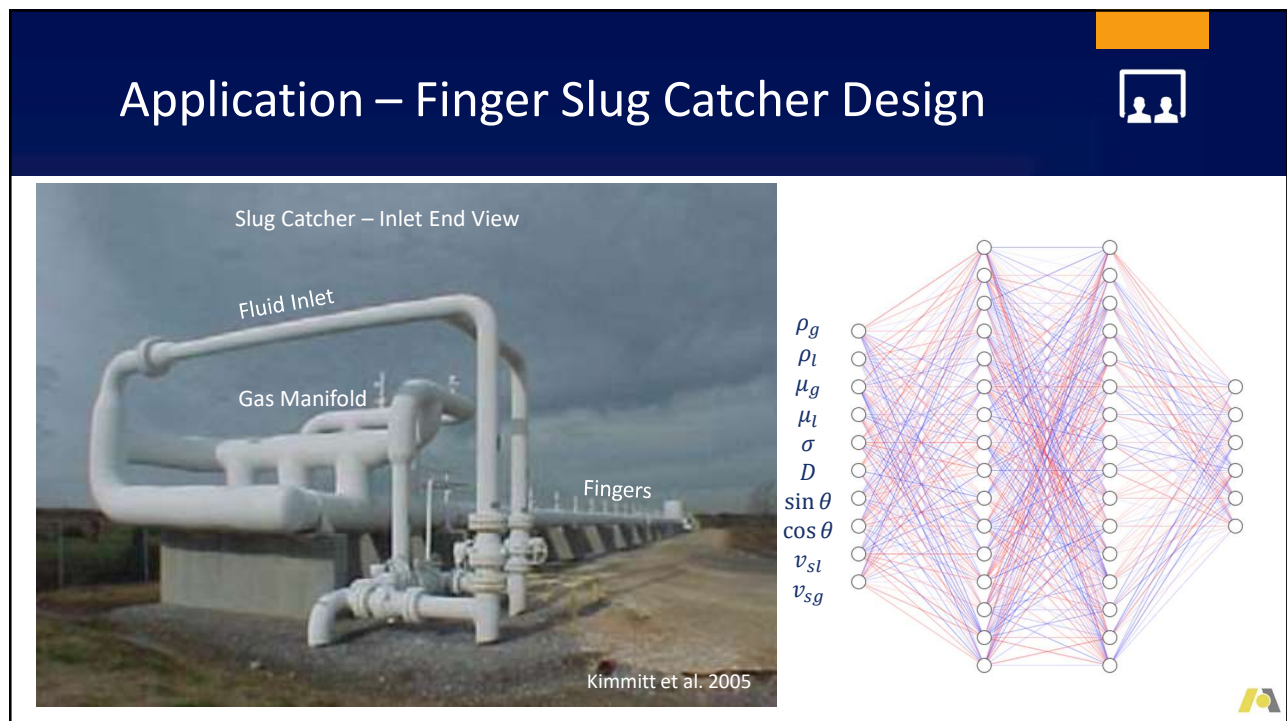
- Applications
- Gas-Liquid flow patterns
- **Data analytics**
 - Database
 - Neural networks





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11.0 Network Optimization Using Neural Networks and Genetic Algorithms – SPE 201760

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Presentation at ALRDC Gas Lift Workshop Training Course Jun 2021



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Introduction


Entire presentation is based on a recent publication.

SPE-201760-MS: Network Optimization Models at Greater Kuparuk Area Using Neural Networks and Genetic Algorithms.

Authors: Murray, Rodney L., Hopkins, Reese S., and Douglas K. Valentine.

Paper presented at the SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition, Virtual, October 2020. <https://doi.org/10.2118/201760-MS>

This reference is selected because of comprehensive treatment of network model applied on a sizeable asset, and recent publication-timeline. All figures, tables in this presentation are from the above reference unless noted otherwise. No rights are claimed.



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Area of study - Greater Kuparuk Area (GKA), North Slope, Alaska

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Year of first production

2.5 B

Total bbls produced till date

> 1200

Total wells (producers + injectors)

90

% of wells on gas lift in GKA

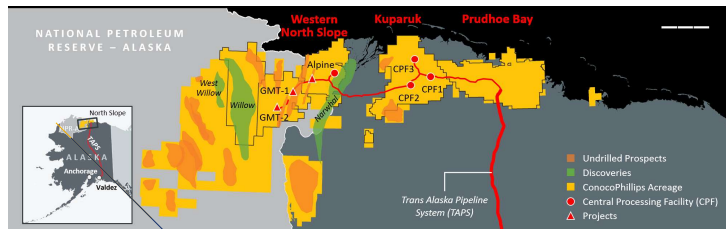


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Objective

- Develop a fast, flexible optimization model that recommends well status, lift gas rates, and water injection rates [sic]
- Data used in the building of model includes
 - Field data
 - Data generated by previous surface models in the development of hydraulic models
 - Current facility conditions
 - Constraints

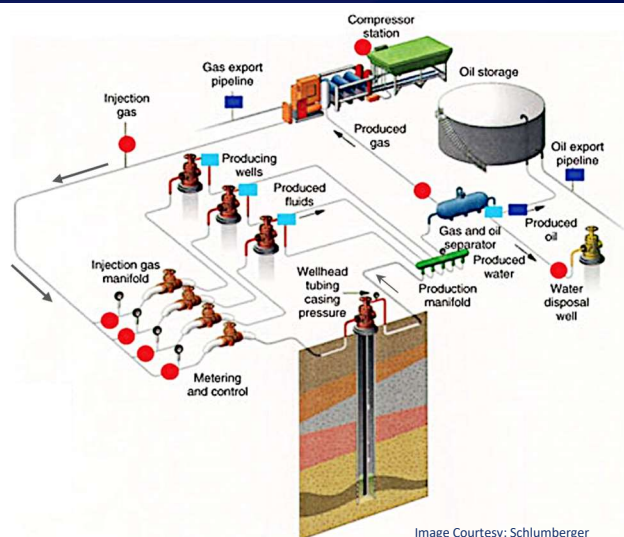


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Need for optimization



- The facilities are capacity constrained
 - the injection gas lift compressors, and
 - the injection pump for water disposal
- A previous attempt to more rigorously optimize the production system using commercial software resulted in better lift gas allocation, but computation time led to the cessation of its use for daily optimization
- An optimization program using the equal slope concept is currently in use for lift gas allocation (drawback - does not consider back-pressure on the entire system)
- **GKA Network Optimization Model (GNOME)** - solution for production and injection network optimization problems



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Previous efforts



- **Commercial software**
 - Physical equations and correlations to solve back-pressure
 - Time consuming for model to converge
- **6-approaches method by Rashid et al**
 - Rashid, K., Bailey, W., & Couët, B. (2012). "A survey of methods for gas-lift optimization. *Modelling and Simulation in Engineering*, 2012".
- **Use of synthetic data to train neural networks**
 - Shokir, Hamed, Ibrahim, & Mahgoub, 2017. "Gas Lift Optimization Using Artificial Neural Network and Integrated Production Modeling. *Energy and Fuels*, 31(9), 9302–9307".



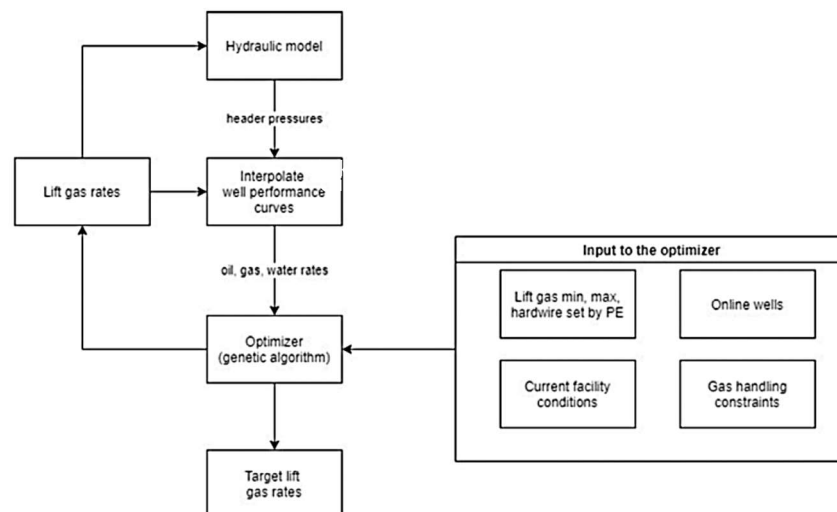
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Model framework

- Component 1: A function that estimates producer and injector performance
- Component 2: A function that gathers and interpolates well performance models with physics-based models
- Component 3: Estimating drillsite header pressures using a neural network
- Component 4: Genetic algorithm used for searching the optimal well status, lift gas rate, and water injection rate for each well

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Process flow diagram – production network



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Process outline



- Step 1: Identify facility constraints and evaluate well performance models
- Step 2: Hydraulic model to determine pressure at drillsite
- Step 3: Genetic algorithm to solve for lift gas recommendations



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Step 1: Create scenario and run well performance evaluation

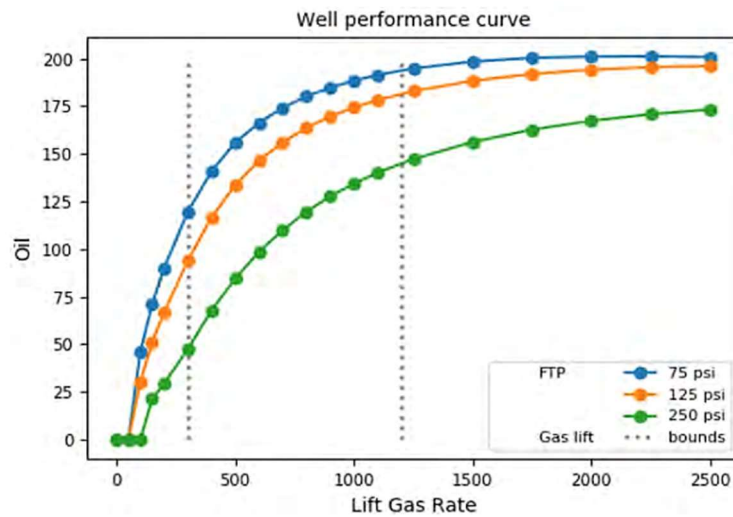


- Scenario to be loaded into the program
- Static data
 - Res Pressure
 - Completion schematic
- Dynamic data
 - WHP, liquid rates
 - Casing pressure

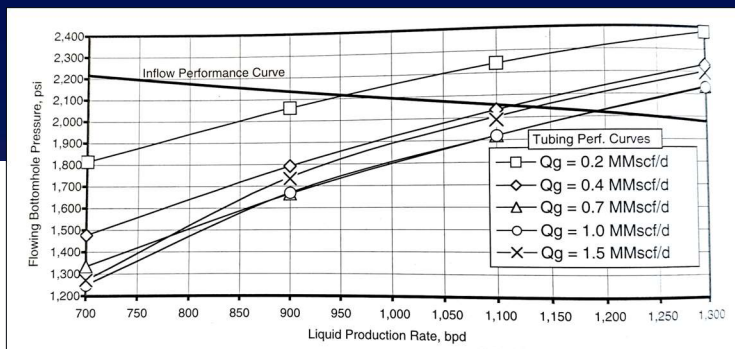


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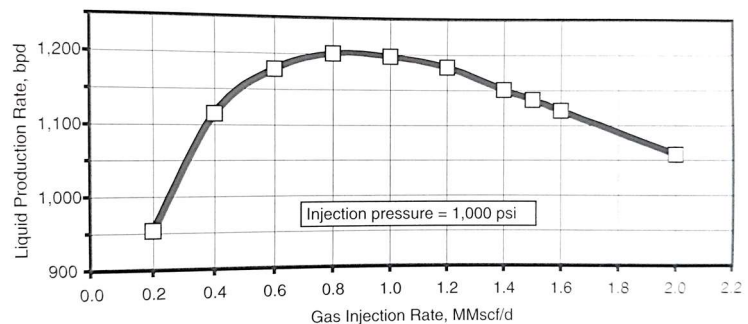
Well performance evaluation



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Gas Lift Manual - Gabor Takacs



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Step 2: Create a hydraulic model



- Hydraulic model estimates pressure drops in pipeline. It is trained in Neural Network using a two-step approach
 - Step 1: Generate random, uniformly distributed O/G/W rates
 - Step 2: Model was trained on 5 years of data including one-hour averages of rates

Input nodes	Output nodes
O/G/W rates, WCut, GLR, Sep inlet press.	Drillsite header pressure

End Result: GNOME performed on par with the other network simulation models



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Hydraulic model results comparison



	CPF1	CPF2	CPF3
Network simulation	10.4 psi	6.4 psi	4.5 psi
Neural network	6.3 psi	6.5 psi	5.5 psi
Number of hydraulic checks	158	165	206
Number of drillsites	13	20	15



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Water injection model



- The model is solved at well level in each facility
- Injection rates are calculated based on injection pressure and constraints
- Injectivity index (the equivalent of PI in a producing well) is the defining metric
- Min WHP, max WHP and max rate are defined

$$VRR = \left(\frac{\text{Tot. Vol Injected}}{\text{Tot. Vol Produced}} \right)_{res\ cond}$$

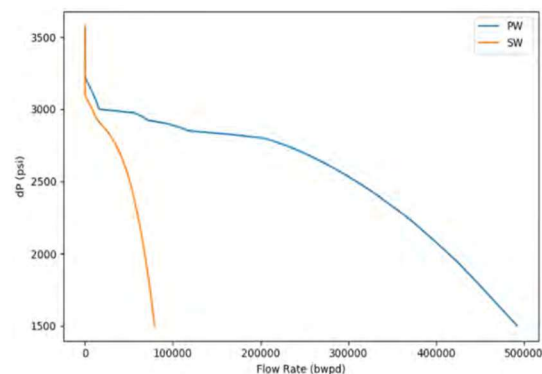
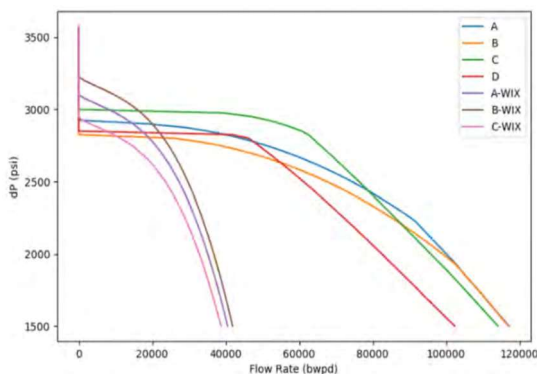


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Water Injector Pump Performance



- Two different types of water – produced water and sea water
- Parameters were introduced to allow for tuning of the pump curves to match observed performance
- Curve fit algorithms are used to automatically adjust these parameters to actual field data



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Pipeline network modeling



- Linear regression model was used to model the pressure changes
- Inputs
 - Injection rates for each of the drillsites
- Outputs
 - Δp from the CPF to drillsites
- Trained on 4 months of historical data
- Mean absolute error of 5 PSID



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Solving the water injection network



- First, assume a constant pressure at the facility, ignoring any constraints of the pumps.
- Second, assume a constant discharge pressure from the pumps using pump curves. This translates to constant inlet pressure and assumes any unlimited amount of water for injection
- Lastly, the network is solved assuming that all water produced must be injected. Shut down wells or open them to their maximum capacity based on water availability



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Step 3: Genetic Algorithm to solve for optimized solution



op·ti·mi·za·tion: [op-tuh-muh-zey-shuhn]

a mathematical technique for finding a maximum or minimum value of a function of several variables, subject to a set of constraints.

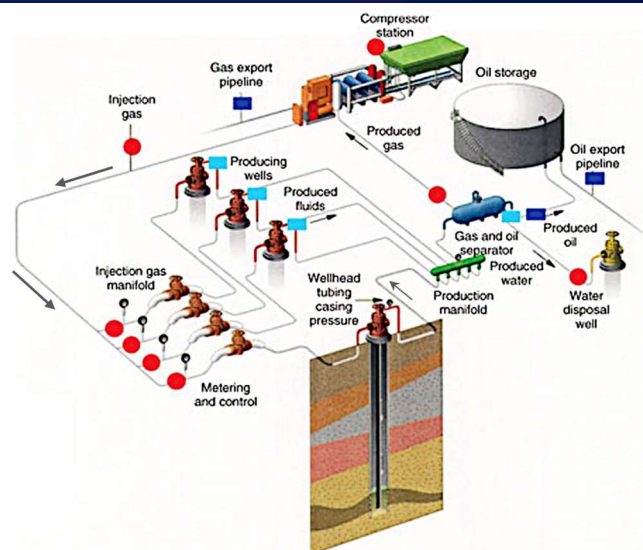


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Gas lift optimization scenarios



- The simplest scenario.... is an individual stand-alone well.
- A complex scenario.... is a large system with numerous wells producing into a common gathering system.



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Gas lift optimization – Controls and Constraints



- Objective
 - Maximize production/income
- Controlling parameters
 - Choke settings (down hole, wellheads and manifolds)
 - Flow control valve settings (equiv. area, max. rate through valve)
- Constraining parameters
 - compression capacity
 - max. GOR, water cut
 - max. liquid, max. Gas
 - (min) flow rate, available lift gas



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GNOME



- Objectives – well status (S) & lift gas rate (L)
- Constraint – compression capacity (C)
- Genetic algorithm to solve for optimized L & S values
- Inspired by biology and evolution, GA works well with data that is discrete, discontinuous or noisy

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (L_i + Q_{gi})S_i \leq C$$

Link to video on GA:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3QJfeVrut8>

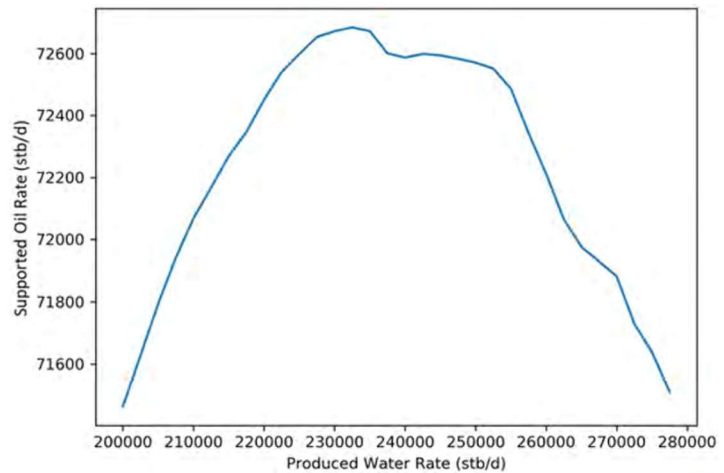


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Combining Production and Water Injection Network Models



- Pre-calculate the relationship between total supported oil rate as a function of the total water production



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Use Cases



- GNOME is run daily. It compares rates that were implemented yesterday to what GNOME recommended today.
- Evaluating the net benefit of a producing well that is online (run daily)
- Determining gas lift capacity sensitivity (run daily)
- Drillsite injection configuration changes



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Summary



- GNOME combines physical equations and models with machine learning to deliver powerful optimization
- GNOME currently runs over 1000 optimizations daily with a different scenario
- Production network model based on well performance curves and 3-phase hydraulic model
- Injection network model is based on pump model and single-phase hydraulic model
- The recommendations from the optimization program are expected to increase oil rate 1.5% in the existing system



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12.0. Multiphase Flow Meter Virtualization



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Executive Summary

- This project is a proof of concept to determine if a **virtual multiphase flow meter** can be constructed using machine learning rather than physical modeling.
- For 23 wells, we had 10 tags each and **158 historical well tests** to supply training information.
- Models were constructed for **oil, water, and gas flows** and found to be accurate to within **15%, 8%, and 10%** respectively in all but exceptional well tests.
- These models are **easy to deploy and scale** with no additional effort. They can also be improved easily with fresh information in the future. Initial deployment would require some software development.



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The Study



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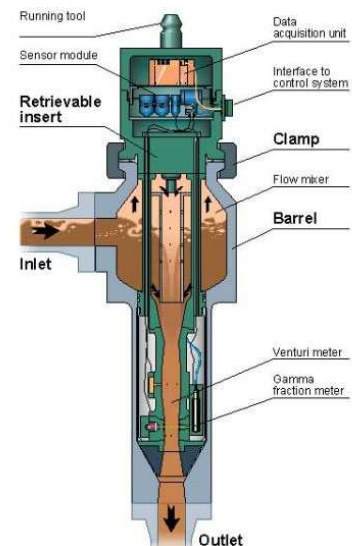
Multiphase Flow Metering

Wells produce **multiphase fluid**: Water, oil, gas, and often particulate matter

We can easily measure the flow rate of the fluid, pressures and temperatures around the well.

We want to measure how much oil, gas, and water is in the fluid – Multiphase Flow Meters

Meters are **expensive and fragile** – we want virtual meters that **compute instead of measure**



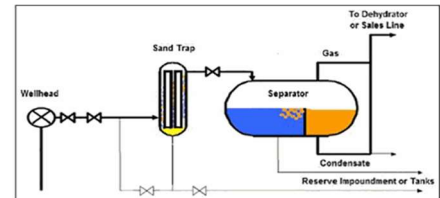
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Well Testing

- Wells can be connected to a separator that physically separates the three phases
- Each phase can then be measured
- This is done at xxx and we have the data from these well tests
- The well test data forms the baseline for our work to produce a virtual meter



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Basic Ideas of the Project

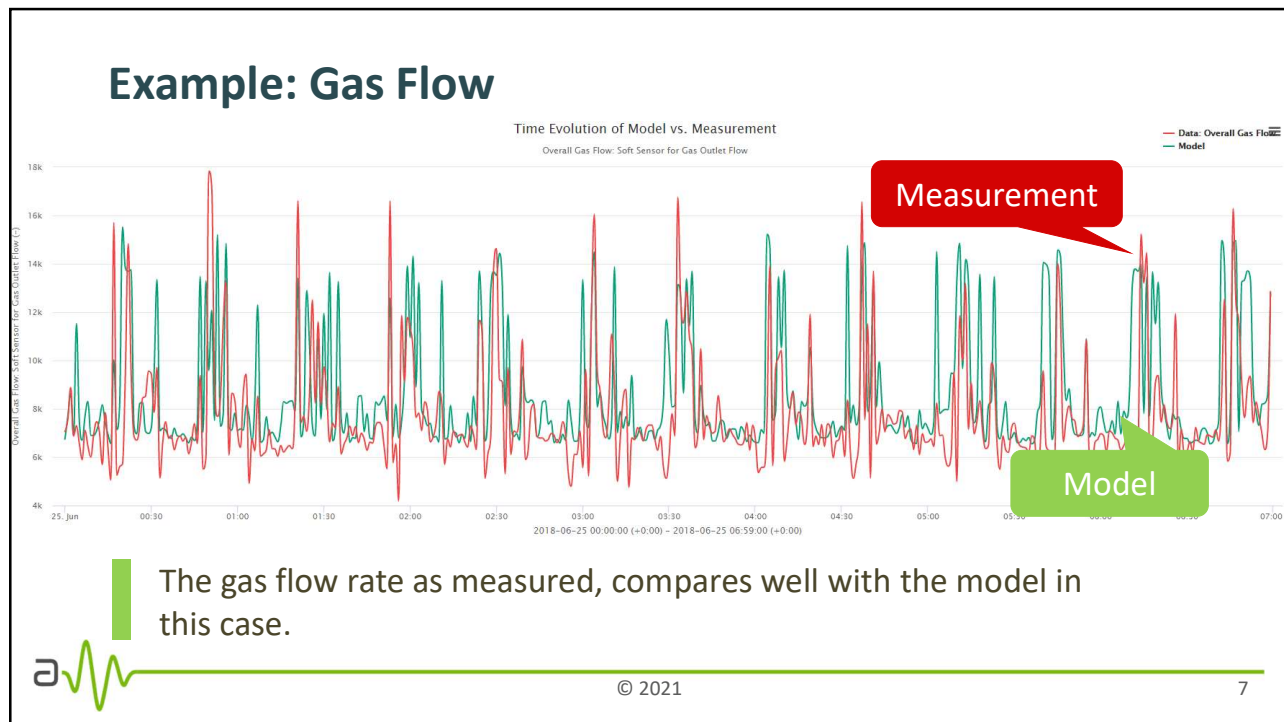
- At every moment, we know which well is attached to the separator. We copy its tags to a set of global tags.
- Models are trained for the oil, gas, and water phases separately for all those points selected above – the separator output tags are the training data.
- We thus obtain three tags for each well with the three phases continuously, whether connected to the separator or not.
- For the existing well tests, we compare the computed against the measured output to judge the accuracy of our virtual flow meters.



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Well Tests

- When a well is connected to the separator, the oil, gas, and water flows are measured.
- The gas flow value is then **corrected** because gas is injected into the well. As the gas lift rate tag is not reliable, this correction cannot be undone by us.
- We therefore use the data directly from the separator as our baseline (**raw baseline**), and not the data found in the well test report (**reference baseline**).
- Measurement and Model are compared in percent relative to measurement.

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Example Well Test

Well 23 was tested between 2018-01-08 19:00:00 and 2018-01-09 05:00:00.

	Reference	Raw	Model	Error (%)
Oil	39.792	39.931	45.034	13
Gas	43771.2	190835.0	198124.9	-3
Water	1225.3	1224.7	1193.4	4
Water Cut	0.969	0.968	0.964	0.4
GOR	1100	4779	4399	-8

Corrected for gas injected.

Baseline for our study



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Method



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Every Well has these Tags ...

1. Downhole Pressure – some wells lack this
2. Downhole Temperature – some wells lack this
3. Wellhead Pressure
4. Wellhead Temperature
5. Production Choke
6. Pressure downstream choke
7. Gaslift Rate – measurement is unreliable
8. Gaslift Pressure
9. Gaslift Choke
10. Flowline Pressure

These tags form the raw input data that we have available once per minute.



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The Separator measures ...

1. Oil Flow,
2. Water Flow, and
3. Gas Flow

... for the well that is currently connected to the separator every minute.

These tags form the raw teacher output data that we have used to train the models.

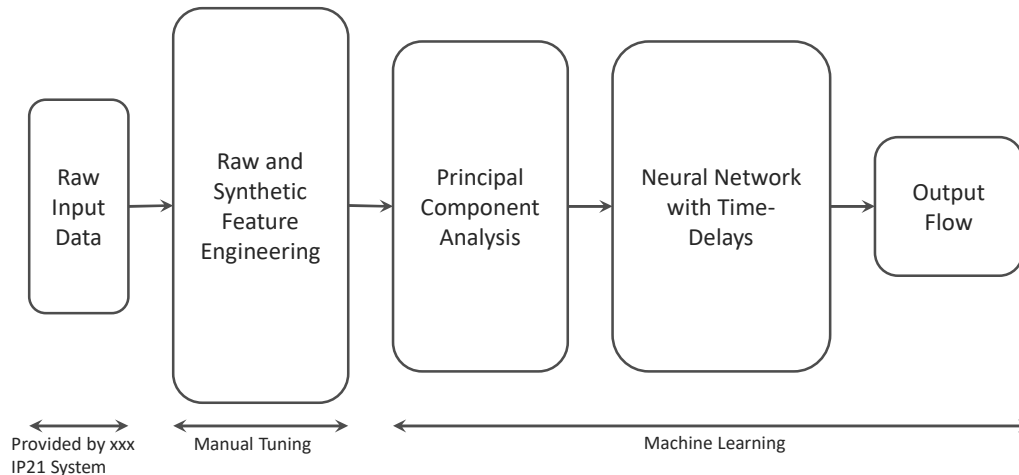


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Overall Procedure – for each Phase separately



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Major Scientific Conclusions

- The 10 raw input tags are not sufficiently informative on their own to allow an accurate machine learning to take place.
- It was necessary to construct a moving window for each raw tag of length 20 minutes and to compute the average, variance, skewness, and kurtosis for it.
- It was also necessary to introduce a time-delay between the well's tag and the known separator output. Oil has an inherent time delay of approximately 40 minutes, Gas 20 minutes, and Water 10 minutes. The causal reason is unknown. It was deduced from the correlation functions of all tags.
- With these synthetic features, suitably delayed, the data is informative. In order to prevent a too large model (and thus overfitting), the dimensionality was reduced using principal component analysis. This reduced the dimensionality by about 50% while keeping about 99% of the data variance.



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General Accuracy Measures

A residual is the difference between the measured and the modeled value.

We graph the frequency of the residual (vertical axis) against the value of the residual (horizontal) axis to get a distribution/histogram.

If the histogram is a bell-shaped curve, symmetrical, with its peak approximately at zero, then the model is basically sound.

The width of this distribution is roughly the expected accuracy of the model. Other statistical measures can be computed from the distribution.

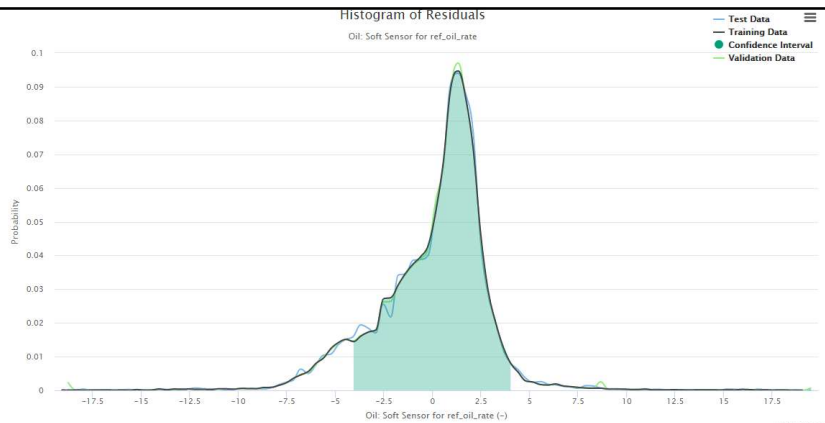


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Residuals: Oil Flow



	Training Data	Test Data	Validation Data
Samples	56593	10011	67417
R ²	0.791058	0.789374	0.788375
RMSE	0.032029	0.032577	3.245099
Residual Mean	0.036079	0.052397	0.017659
Mean Absolute Residual	2.135766	2.15519	2.208776
Residual Std.Dev.	2.899805	2.938082	3.245033
Residual Skewness	-0.516724	-0.48516	-1.469175
Residual Kurtosis	4.645243	4.948554	17.796669

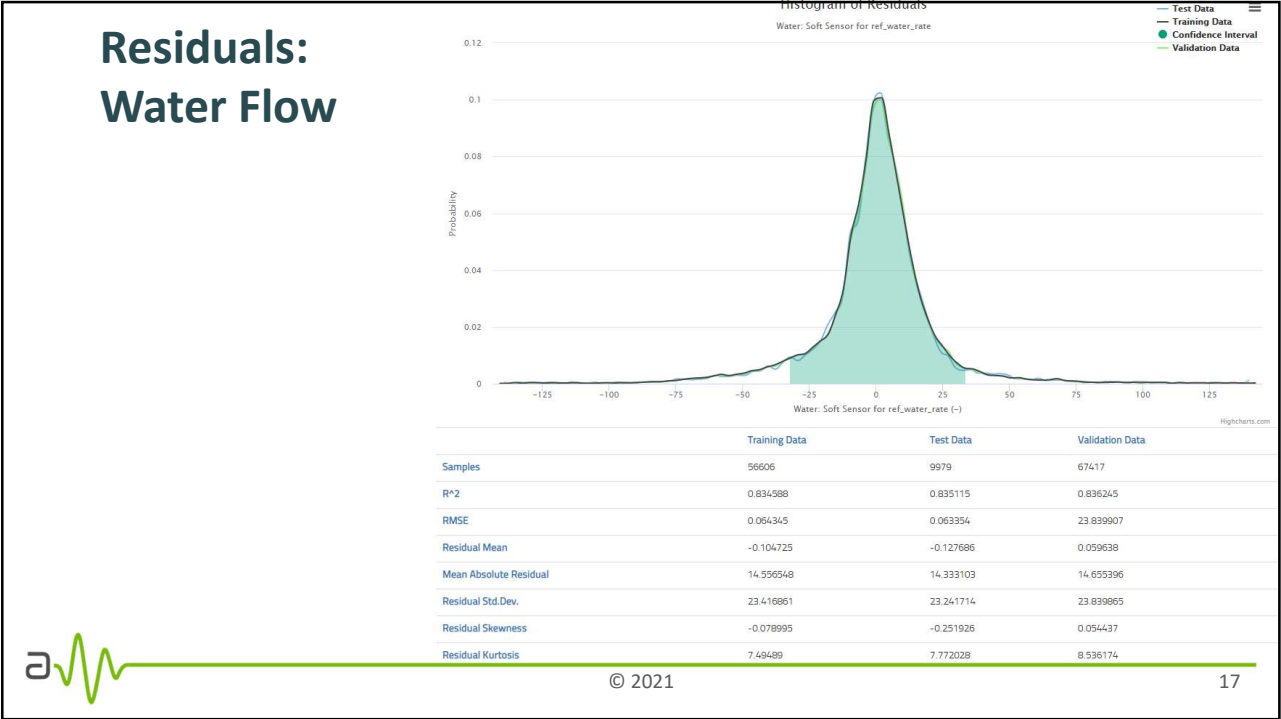


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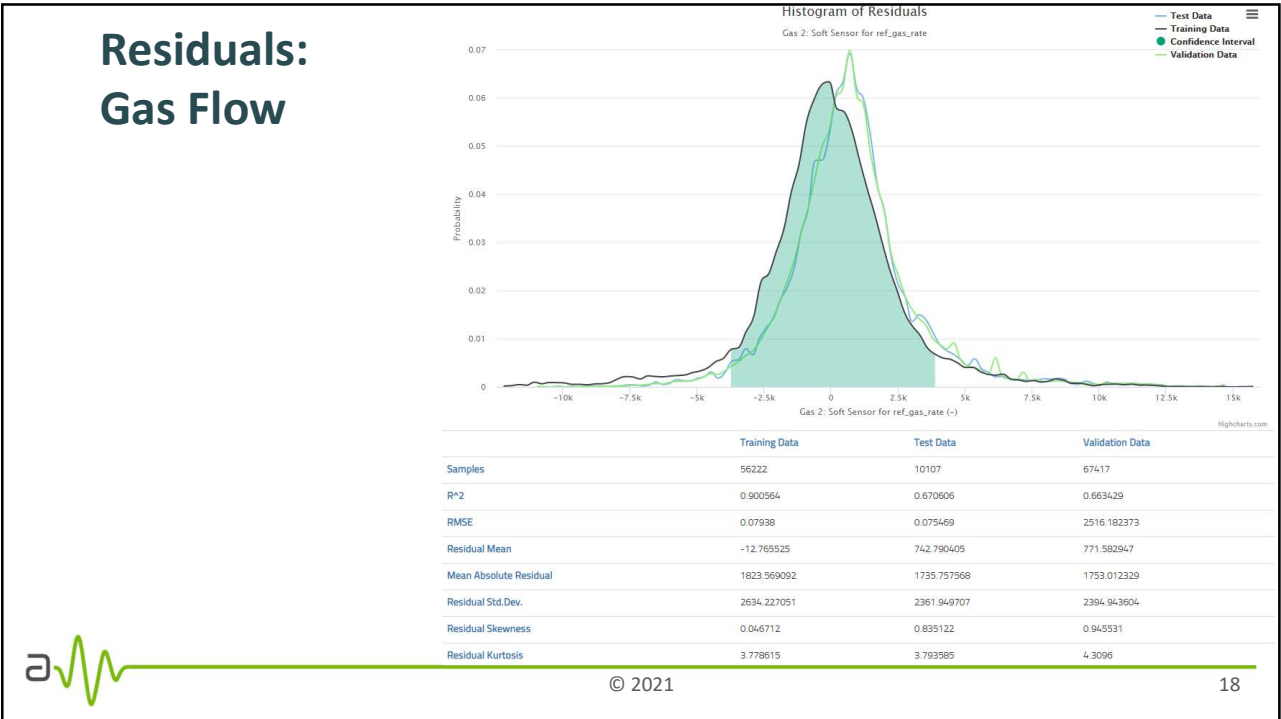
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Results



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Summary of Well Tests

- Full details are available as an Excel sheet. Here are some high-level results from that table.
- There were 158 relevant well tests that were selected as the basis for this study.
- Most well tests were reproduced with good accuracy. Some well tests – when very little of one phase arrived at the separator – were reproduced poorly.
- The individual phases are calculated well. The water cut is dominated by water and is accurate too. The GOR gets deviations from gas and oil and is therefore not very accurate.



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Accuracy of Well Tests

The number of well tests that are more accurate than a certain percentage for that KPI. The “sweet spot” is circled, so that we may say oil is accurate to 15%, water to 8%, and gas to 10%. Total number of well tests was 158.

	Oil	Water	Gas	Water Cut	GOR
No. Well Tests accurate to 6%	65	112	96	155	52
No. Well Tests accurate to 7%	74	130	104	156	58
No. Well Tests accurate to 8%	85	153	119	156	78
No. Well Tests accurate to 10%	107	153	156	156	95
No. Well Tests accurate to 15%	152	153	156	156	131

Thus, 152 of 158 well tests have the oil model within 15% of the actual oil flow at the separator; 153 of 158 well tests have the water model within 8% of the actual water flow; 156 of 158 well tests have the gas model within 10% of the actual gas flow.



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Documentation of Results Table

Columns	Explanation
A, B, C, D	Specifies when the well test began and ended as well as how long it took and which well was being tested.
E, F, G	The oil, water, and gas flows as written in the well test report by Wintershall Dea that includes the gas flow correction. We call this the reference data.
H, I, J	The oil, water, and gas flows derived from the IP21 raw data coming from the separator tags that does not include the gas flow correction. We call this the raw data.
K, L, M	The oil, water, and gas flows according to the machine learning models and trained on the IP21 data.
N, O, P	The errors (in %) of the oil, water, and gas flow models relative to the raw data.
Q, R, S, T	The water cut as computed by $\text{Water}/(\text{Water} + \text{Oil})$ of the reference, raw, and model values, as well as the error of the model water cut relative to the raw water cut.
U, V, W, X	The gas-oil-ratio as computed by Gas/Oil of the reference, raw, and model values, as well as the error of the model gas-oil-ratio relative to the raw gas-oil-ratio.



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Conclusion



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Conclusion of Proof of Concept

- Out of 158 relevant well tests, the models for oil, water, and gas flows were found to produce accurate results for all but a few tests.
- The well tests that were reproduced poorly were those where little of the relevant phase was extracted.
- The models exist for each well and could be brought online to provide continuous virtual well testing for every well – after some software development.
- Should a new well be drilled, this well could be instrumented immediately with no effort. Models can be tuned periodically in the future as more reference well tests become available.



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Next Steps

- If xxx would like to proceed from this PoC to a deployment, these would be the next steps ...
- Workshop with xxx to design the right graphical user interface for the multiphase flow meters.
- Implementation of the user interface, polishing of data interfaces, and testing of the full computational flow.
- User feedback sessions in an agile manner to achieve the right usability with all the required outputs.



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Hands on Project



- Work with a curated dataset from MPFM-equipped wells
 - 67,418 data-samples with the following 16 measurements
 - Date-time, well, reservoir
 - chokeprod, chokegaslift, chokepressdownstream
 - ref_oil_rate, ref_water_rate, ref_gas_rate , gasliftrate
 - dht, dhp, wht, whp, gasliftpressure, flowlinepressure
- It's a Regression problem
 - Perform Data exploration, correction-interpolation (as needed)
 - Develop regression models with various ML-methods



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14.0. Closing Remarks...

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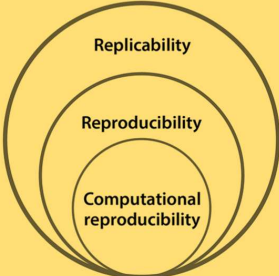


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The Reproducibility Crisis in Machine Learning-based Science



Other researchers can repeat the experiment to yield the same results

Computational reproducibility + absence of errors in code

Rerunning analysis with provided code/data yields the same results

What's causing the Machine-Learning Reproducibility crisis? Hypothesis:

Pressure to publish

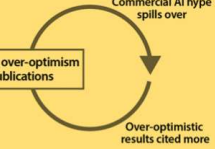
Modeling has many sharp edges

Researchers can access test labels

Insufficient rigor

Almost any mistake overestimates perf.

Rampant over-optimism in publications



Science-plagued-by-machine-learning-mistakes-deep fakes-censor-profanity-....

Source: The Batch, Aug 17 2022, DeepLearning.AI, <https://bit.ly/3Ca0Eot> Accessed Aug 17 '22

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Avoid ML Pitfalls – Some Dos and Don'ts for academics and all beginners



2 Before you start to build models

- 2.1 Do take the time to understand your data
- 2.2 Don't look at *all* your data
- 2.3 Do make sure you have enough data
- 2.4 Do talk to domain experts
- 2.5 Do survey the literature
- 2.6 Do think about how your model will be deployed

3 How to reliably build models

- 3.1 Don't allow test data to leak into the training process
- 3.2 Do try out a range of different models
- 3.3 Don't use inappropriate models
- 3.4 Do optimise your model's hyperparameters
- 3.5 Do be careful where you optimise hyperparameters and select features

4 How to robustly evaluate models

- 4.1 Do use an appropriate test set
- 4.2 Do use a validation set
- 4.3 Do evaluate a model multiple times

4 How to robustly evaluate models

- 4.4 Do save some data to evaluate your final model instance
- 4.5 Don't use accuracy with imbalanced data sets

5 How to compare models fairly

- 5.1 Don't assume a bigger number means a better model
- 5.2 Do use statistical tests when comparing models
- 5.3 Do correct for multiple comparisons
- 5.4 Don't always believe results from community benchmarks
- 5.5 Do consider combinations of models

6 How to report your results

- 6.1 Do be transparent
- 6.2 Do report performance in multiple ways
- 6.3 Don't generalise beyond the data
- 6.4 Do be careful when reporting statistical significance
- 6.5 Do look at your models

Source: Lones, M., "How to avoid machine learning pitfalls: a guide for academic researchers", <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2108.02497.pdf>



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What should be our approach?



Source: Andrew Ng at Amazon re:MARS 2019, <https://youtu.be/j2nGxw8sKYU?t=615>



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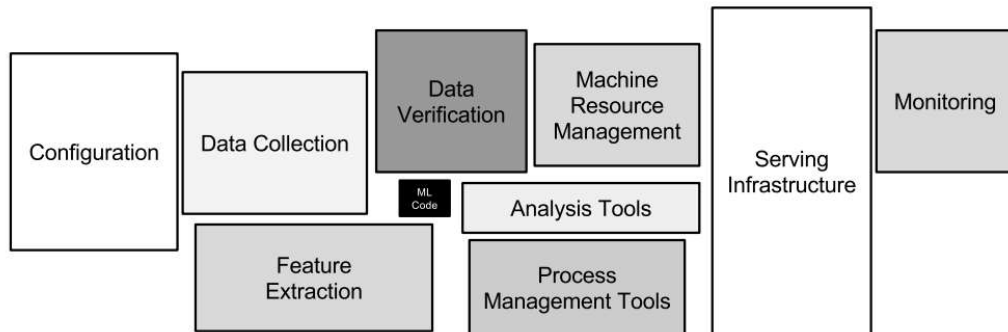


Figure 1: Only a small fraction of real-world ML systems is composed of the ML code, as shown by the small black box in the middle. The required surrounding infrastructure is vast and complex.

Hidden Technical Debt in Machine Learning Systems

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Do first things first.... Formulate Business Case, Ask Questions



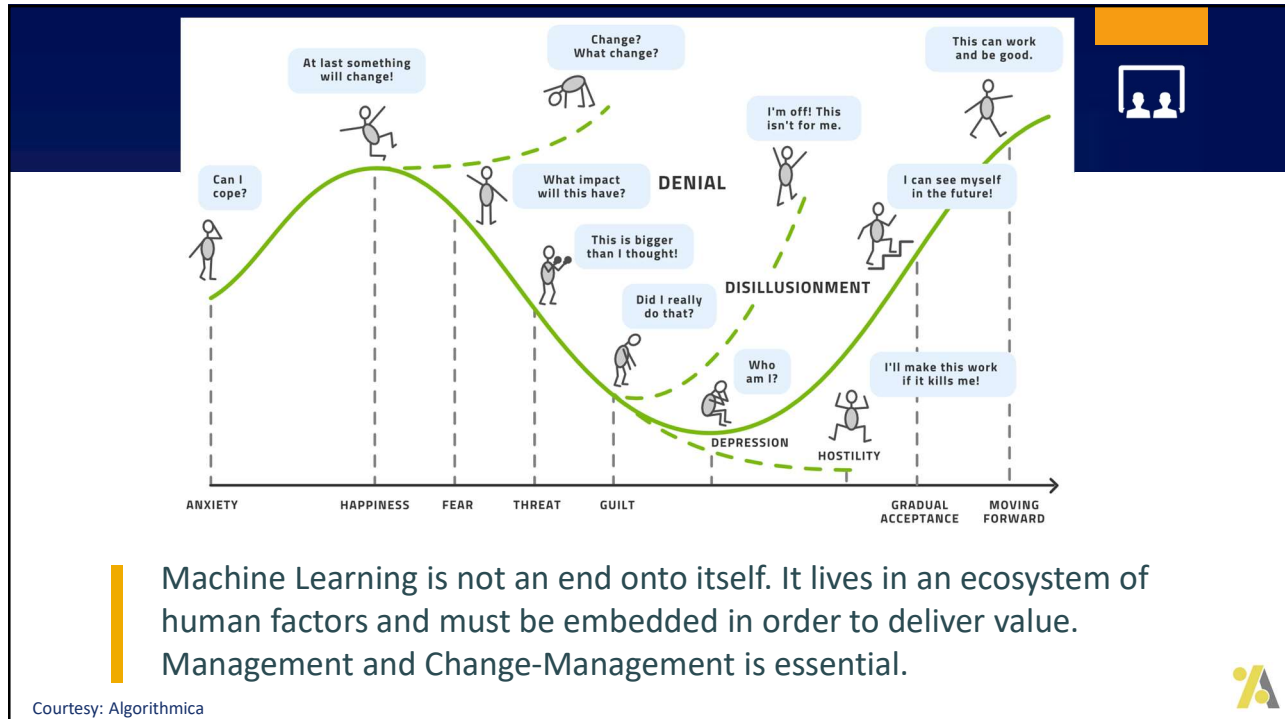
1. If we had a model, what impact would it have?
2. How accurate does it need to be for that impact?
3. Who needs to be convinced for it to be used?
4. What are the risks?
5. What are the costs and resource needs?

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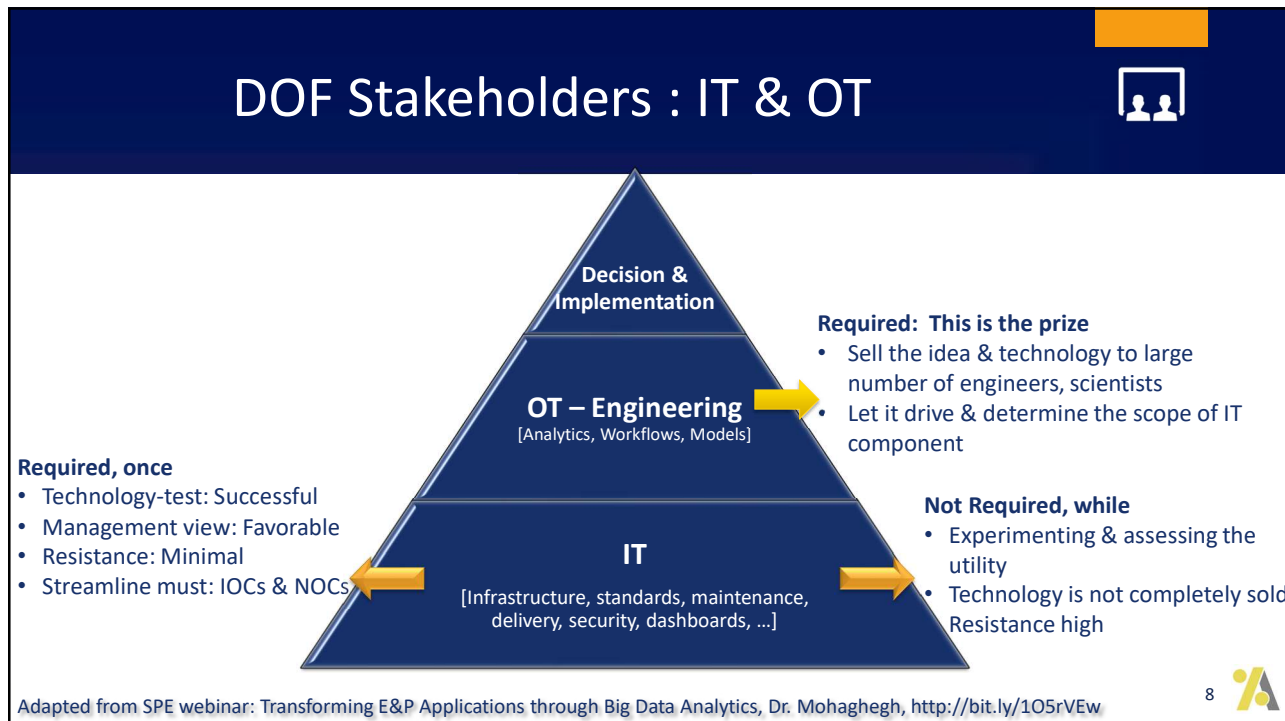


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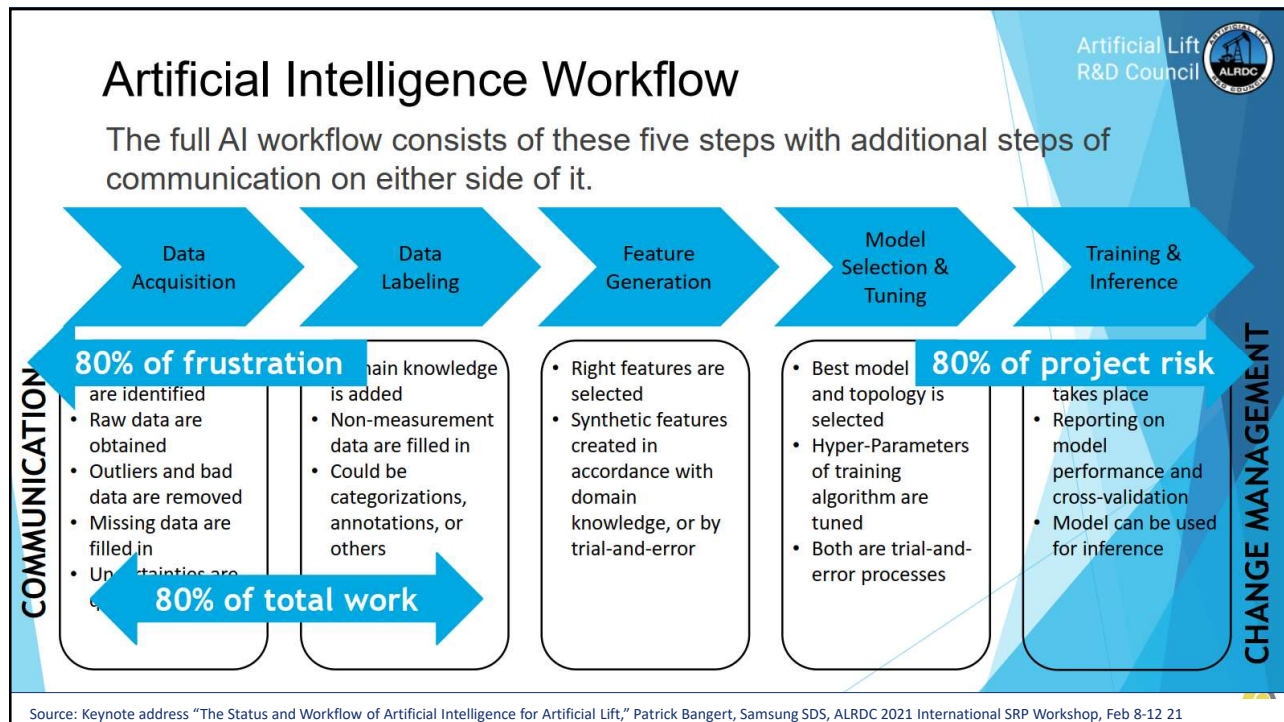
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Conclusion



- Data driven approaches are increasingly being applied in the artificial lift domain
- Prevalent applications cover anomaly detection, failure prediction and virtual flow metering
- The use of ML helps save time, minimize effort, improve quality, increase yield, limit human error, increase accuracy and lower risk.



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Takeaways



- While ML/AI approaches promise new pathways to solving our operational and design challenges, AI and the production community needs to actively pay attention to and participate in the data lifecycle from cleaning through modeling to production-deployment and retraining.



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Optimization of ESP & Gas-Lift

Optimization of ESP & Sucker Rod Pumping

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Data Analytics Workflows for Artificial Lift, Production and Facility Engineers