

Artificial Intelligence for Science Townhall Summary

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Setting the Context



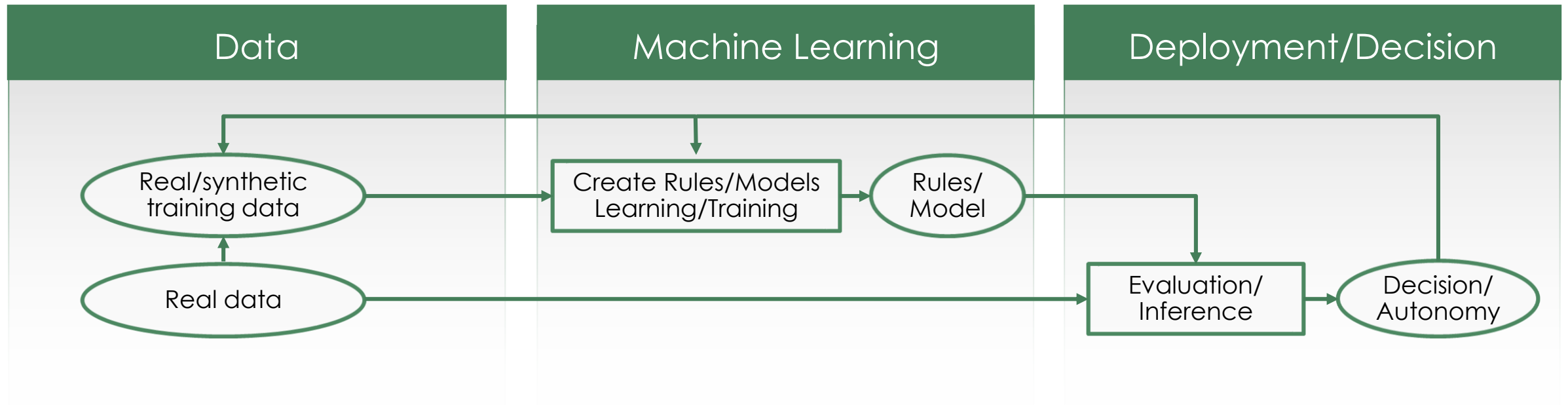
**AI won't replace the scientist, but scientists who
use AI will replace those who don't.***

*Adapted from a Microsoft report, "The Future Computed"

What is Artificial Intelligence?

Advanced data analytics algorithms in which abstract models are constructed (or learned) from data

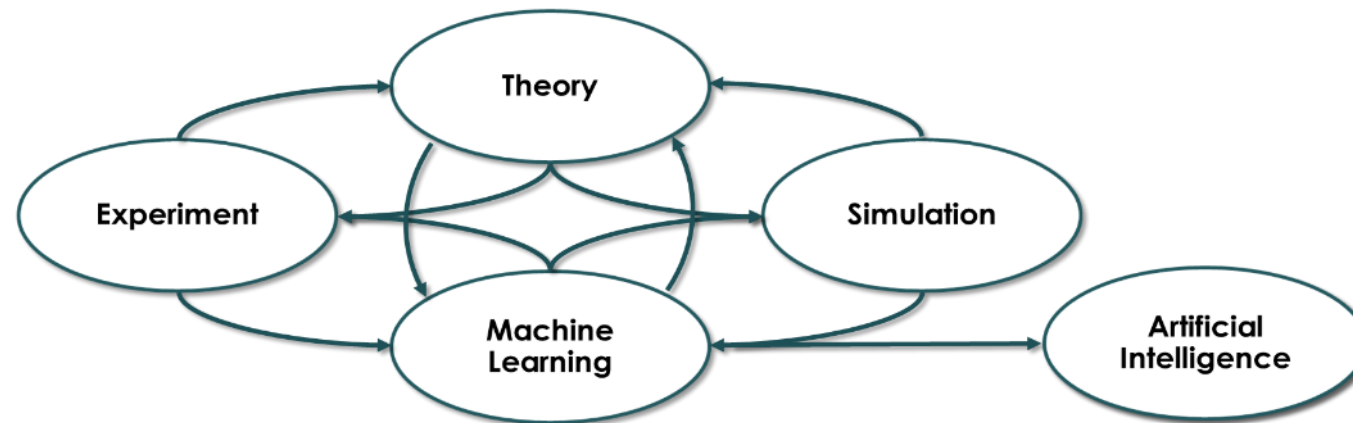
Computers trained to perform tasks that, if performed by humans, would be said to require intelligence



A branch of CS that studies the properties of human intelligence by synthesizing intelligence*

*AAAI

Machine learning requires a strong partnership between the computational scientist and the experimentalist.



We are at a “tipping point” in AI/ML

Data



- Sensors are ubiquitous
- Data is plentiful
- We are “bit-rich”

Facilities and data are a distinguishing strength for DOE

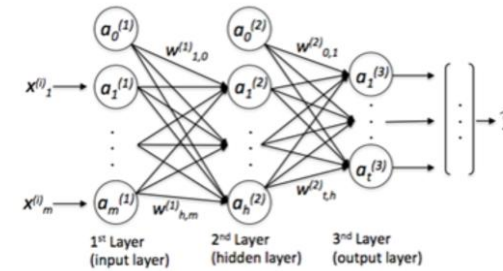
Computing



- Computing is “exaflop scale”
- Specialized hardware is being developed for data analytics and “edge” applications

DOE has an HPC mission for science and engineering

Algorithms



- Pre-defined models
- Computationally tractable training for ML

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Accessibility



- Everyone has a PC and internet access
- A lot of data is open
- Software is open-source

Assurance is “mission critical”

**We are bit-rich
and information-poor**

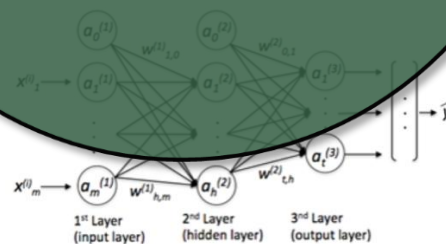
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HPC



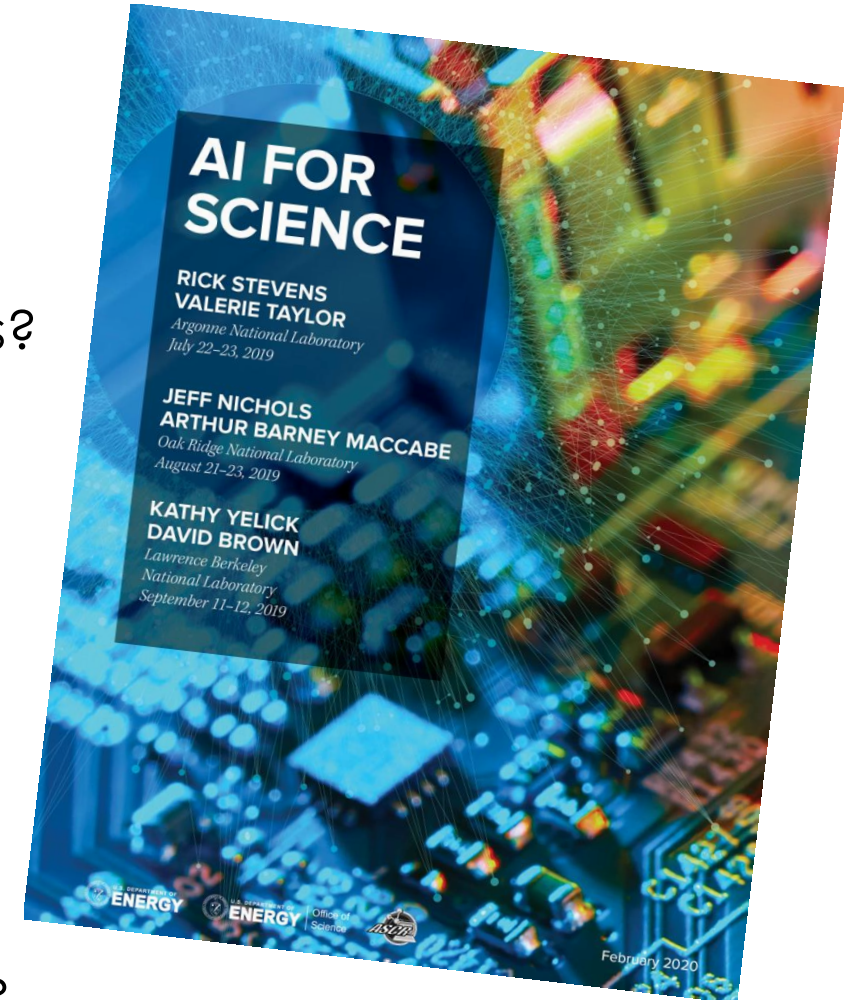
Laboratory
of the
Future



Algorithms

AI for Science Townhalls – Focus on Vision

- Meeting objectives
 - Identify transformational uses of AI \cap HPC
 - Examine scientific opportunities in AI, Big Data, and HPC
 - Lay the groundwork for a program (at the scale of ECP)
- Identify the impact of a sustained push in some domains?
 - Building superhuman capabilities in science
- What scale
 - Big Problems, Big Pushes, Big Data, Big Systems?
 - Fine grain innovation, many thousands of small teams?
- Consider the coupling to experiments, simulations, user and computing facilities?
- What does “scientific production” look like in this space?



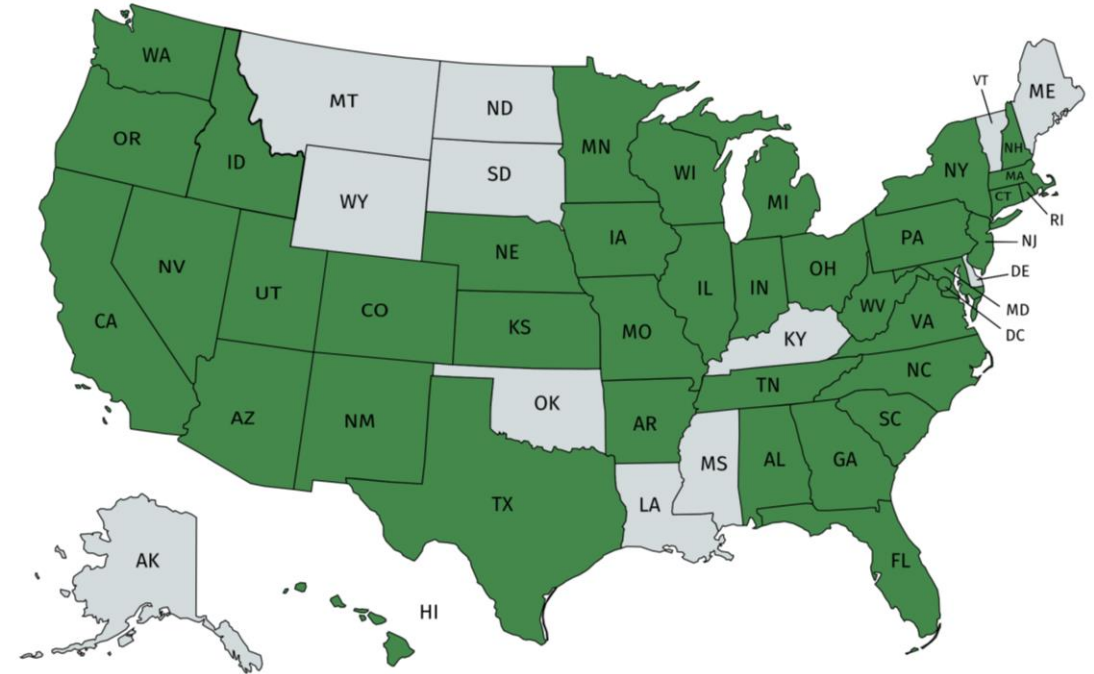
AI for Science Town Halls

- ~1.5 days each to capture ideas, problems, requirements and challenges for an AI for Science initiative
- Each townhall
 - 1 plenary, 3 keynotes, half-day breakouts on domains, half-day breakouts on crosscuts
 - All breakouts were consistent, with slight tailoring to accommodate what we learned and local influences
- What problems could be attacked?
- What data, simulations, and experiments do we need?
- What kind of methods, software and math do we need?
- What kind of computer architectures and infrastructure do we need?

- Over 1000 registrations across 4 Town Halls

ANL	357	
ORNL	330	
LBNL	349	+100 online
DC	273	+ ?
Totals	1309	

- All 17 DOE National Laboratories
- 39 Companies from large and small
- Over 90 different universities
- 6 DOE/SC Offices + EERE and NNSA



An Environmental Scan



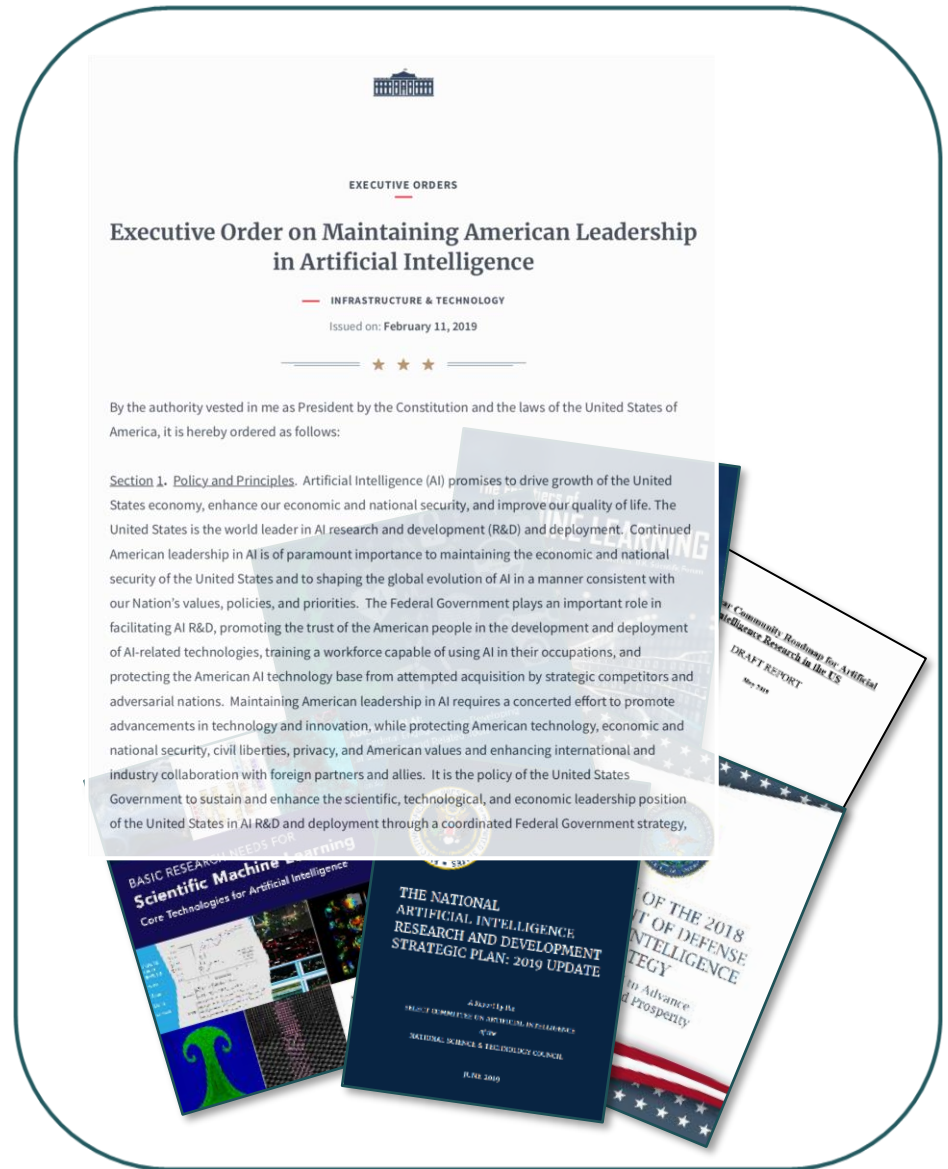
Development and Application of AI Critical For All Government Agencies

- Executive Order on AI

Policy Statement: Artificial Intelligence (AI) promises to drive growth of the United States economy, enhance our economic and national security, and improve our quality of life.

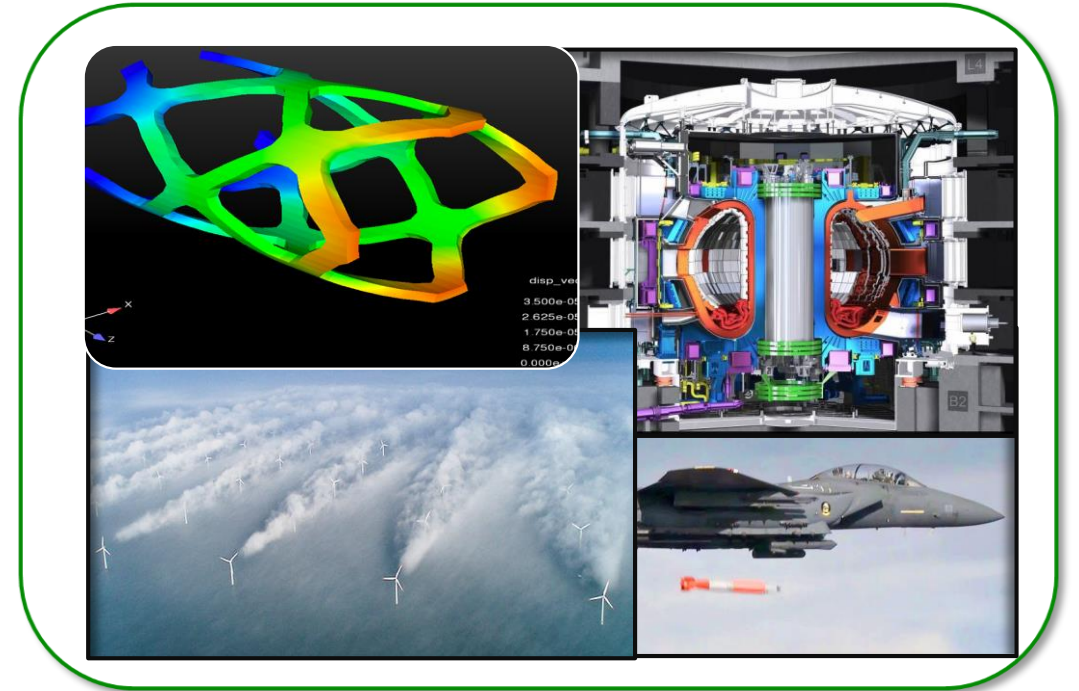
... leadership requires a concerted effort to promote advancements in technology and innovation, while protecting American technology, economic and national security, civil liberties, privacy, and American values and enhancing international and industry collaboration with foreign partners and allies.

- Supported by multiple agency strategies and programs



DOE builds on historical missions and touches all areas

- The U.S. AI strategy includes
 1. **Long-term investment in research**
 2. Effective methods for human-AI collaboration
 3. Address ethical, legal and social implications
 4. **Ensure the safety and security of AI Systems**
 5. **Develop shared datasets and environments**
 6. Standards and benchmarks
 7. Understand the AI workforce
 8. Expand public-private partnerships
- DOE will play a key role in AI for science and engineering
 - AI Technology office
 - Research and talent development
 - Data to support science and engineering research



DOE's Artificial Intelligence and Technology Office



Secretary Perry Stands Up Office for Artificial Intelligence and Technology

This action has been taken as part of the President's call for a national AI strategy.

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Vision:

Transform DOE into a world-leading AI enterprise by accelerating the research, development, delivery, and adoption of AI.

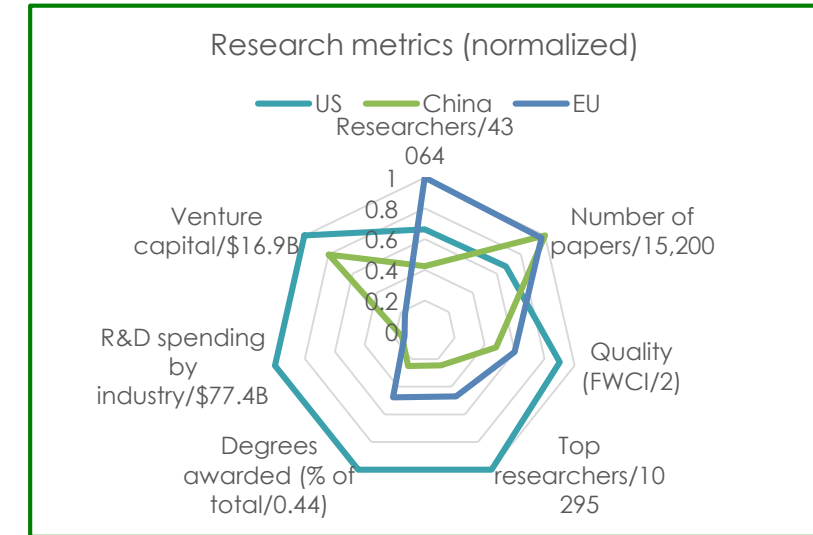
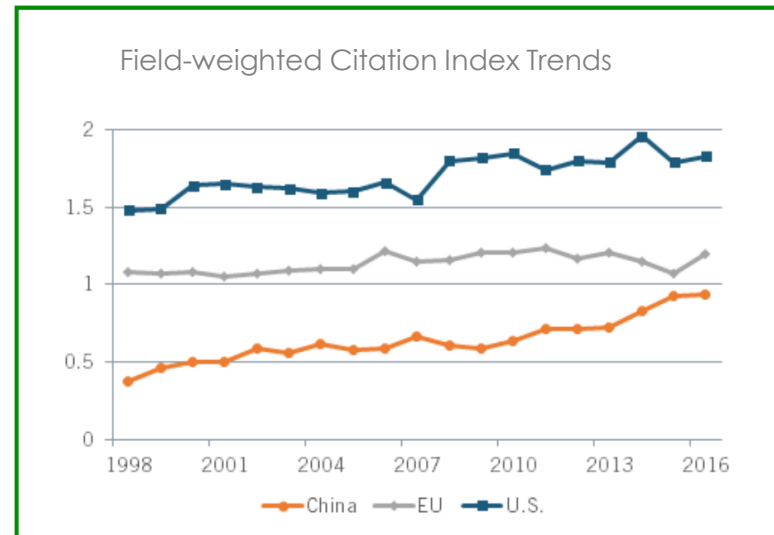
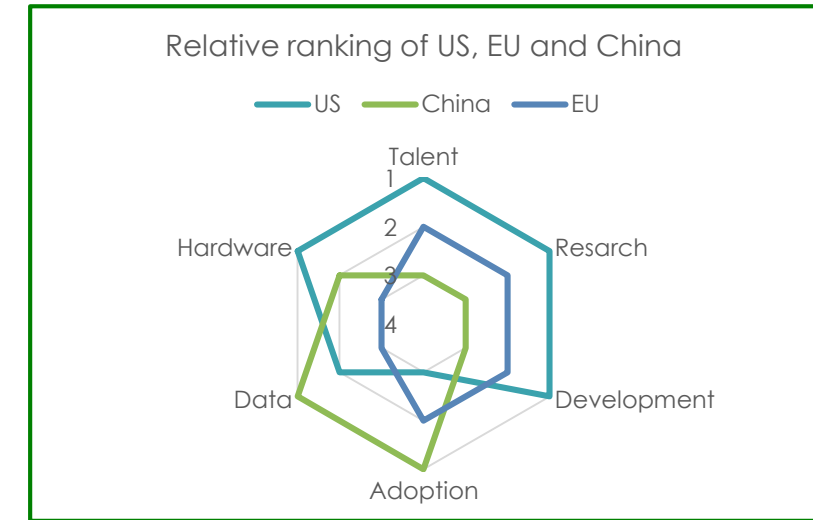
Mission:

The Artificial Intelligence and Technology Office (AITO), the Department of Energy's center for Artificial Intelligence, will **accelerate the delivery** of AI-enabled capabilities, **scale** the department-wide development and impact of AI, and **synchronize** AI activities to advance the agency's core missions, **expand partnerships**, and support American AI Leadership.

Observations on the international AI landscape

Of the 35 countries that have AI strategies, only three stand out, the U.S., the combined E.U. nations and China.

- The U.S.
 - Leads in research, development and talent (education)
 - Based on historical investments in education, laboratories and the business environment
- China
 - Leads in overall adoption of AI and the collection and use of data
 - Is investing heavily
 - Quality and development is increasing rapidly
- The E.U.
 - Has the most researchers
 - Does not translate this into innovation effectively

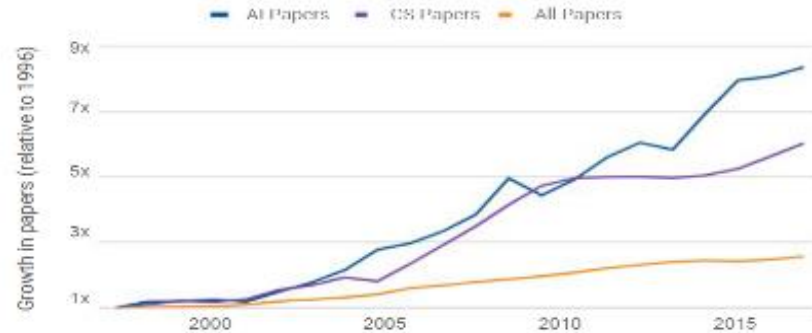


Source: "Who Is Winning the AI Race," Report, Center for Data Innovation

The AI/ML Research Landscape (Measured by Publications)

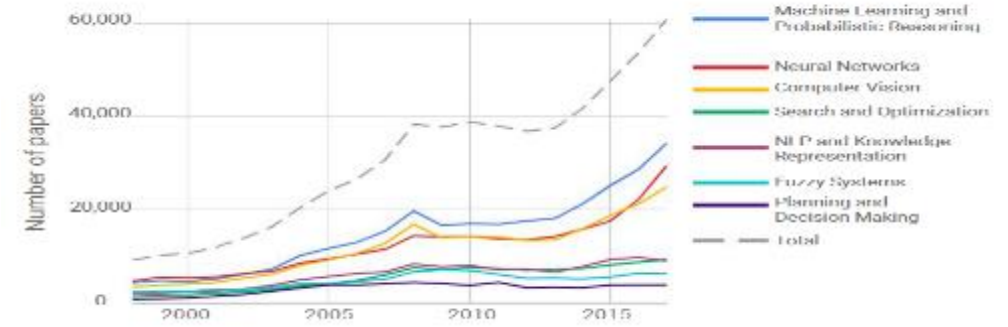
Growth of annually published papers by topic (1996–2017)

Source: Scopus

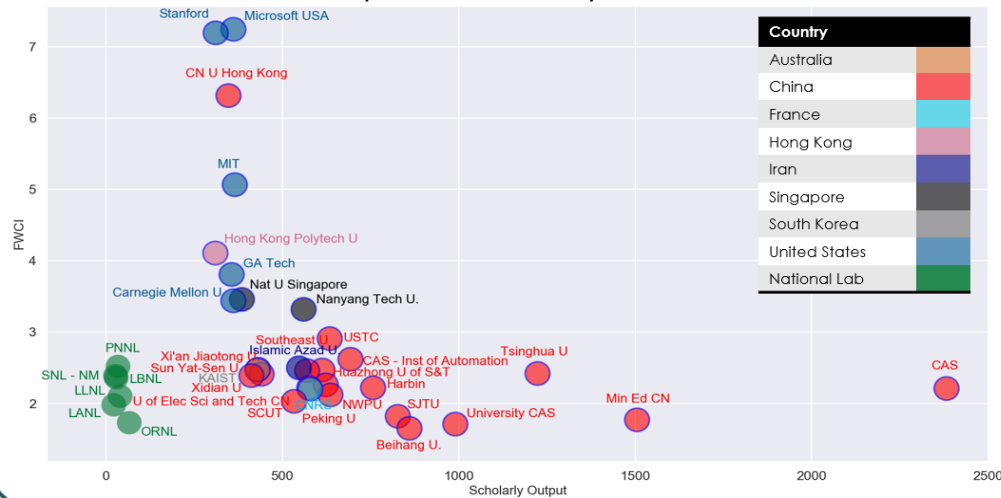


Number of AI papers on Scopus by subcategory (1998–2017)

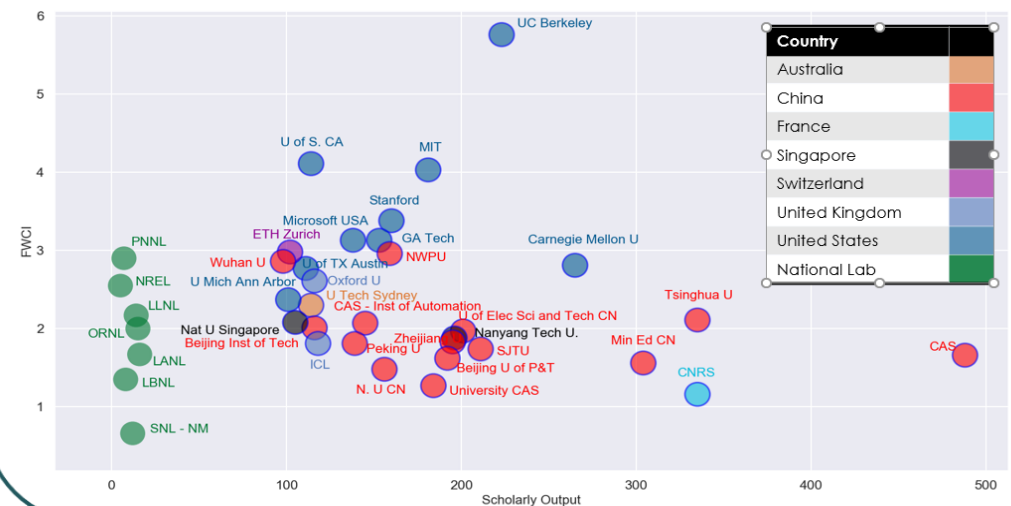
Source: Elsevier



Neural Network Publications
(2016 – Present)



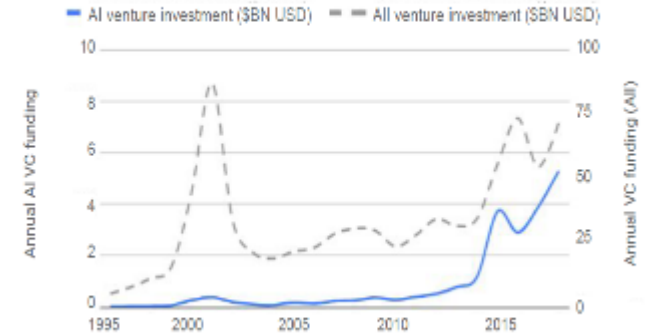
Machine Learning Publications
(2016 – Present)



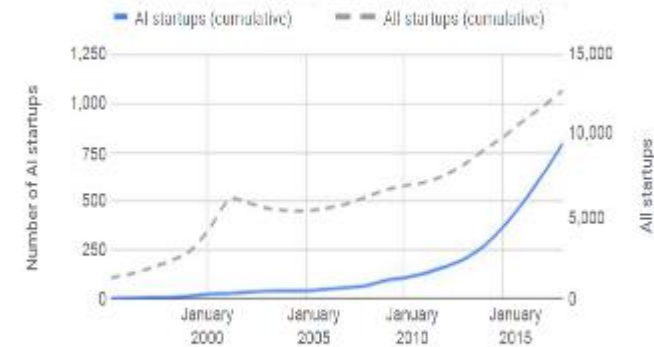
The Business Landscape

- Business must incorporate AI
 - The “Big 9” dominate, but don’t discount traditional business
 - \$7.4B in start-up investments in 488 deals in 2019/Q2 (over \$12B over the past 6 months of 2019)
 - \$803M in “AI for cybersecurity” VC six months of 2019
- Barriers to insertion
 - Understanding: 37% of executive feel their employees understand the importance of data
 - Trust:
 - 49% of U.S. consumers would trust AI-generated advice for retail,
 - 38% would trust AI-generated advice for hospitality, while only
 - 20% would trust AI-generated advice for healthcare and
 - 19% for financial services
 - Example: 33% of US and 85% of Chinese healthcare professionals have implemented AI into their practice, compared to a 5-country average of 46%.
- Need a consistent approach to regulatory (data and sensitive technologies)
- CB Insights top 100 startups dominated by U.S. (country) and healthcare (sector)

Annual VC funding of AI startups (U.S., 1995 – 2017)
Source: Sand Hill Econometrics



AI startups (U.S., January 1995 – January 2018)
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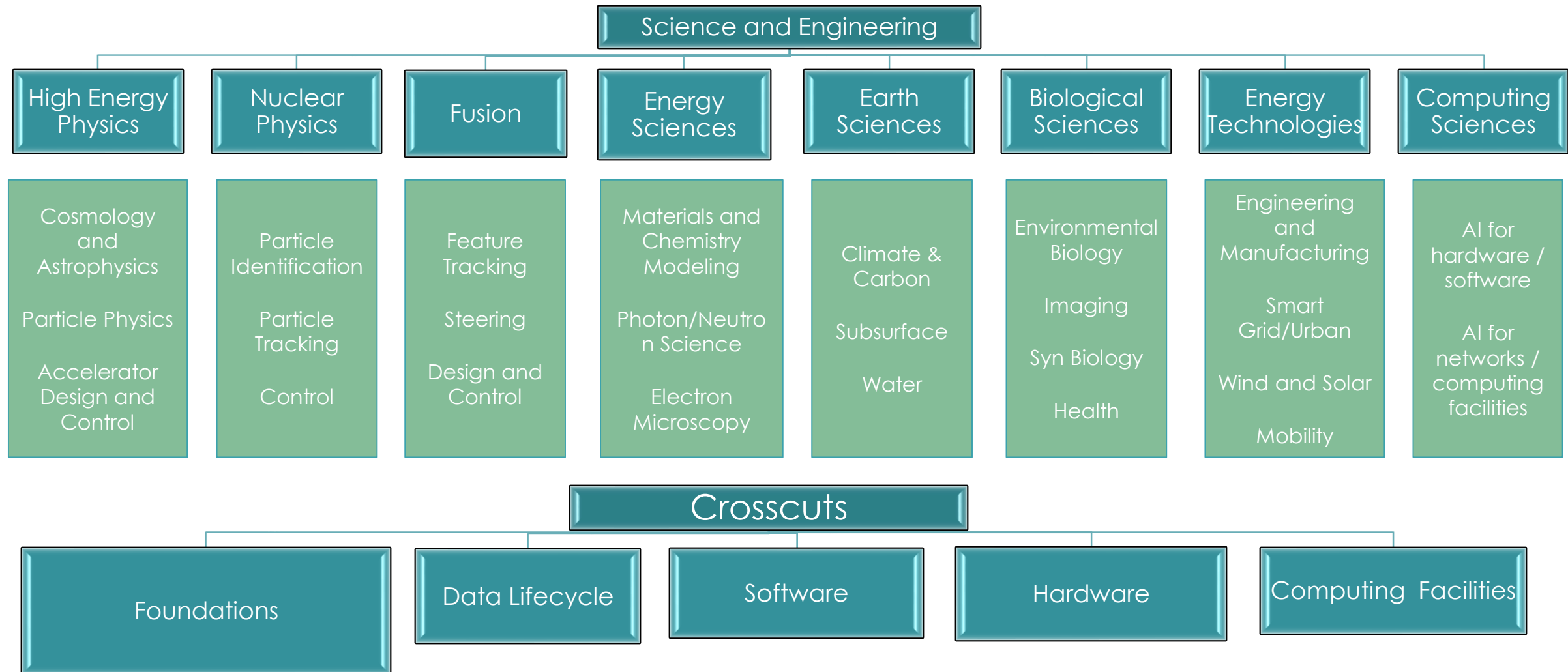


Note: The majority of the AI startups above develop AI systems. A minority use AI as an integral part of business, but do not develop the systems themselves. See appendix for more details.

AI for Science Report Summary

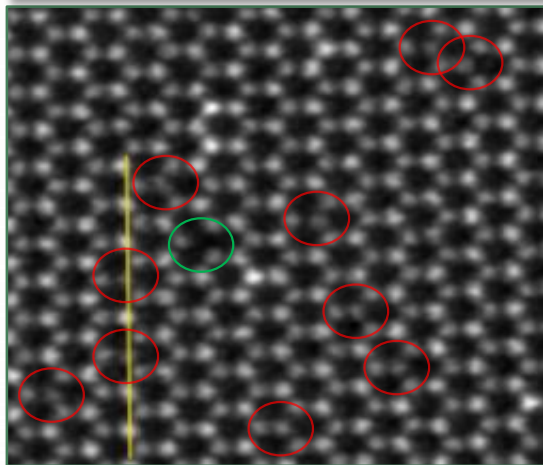
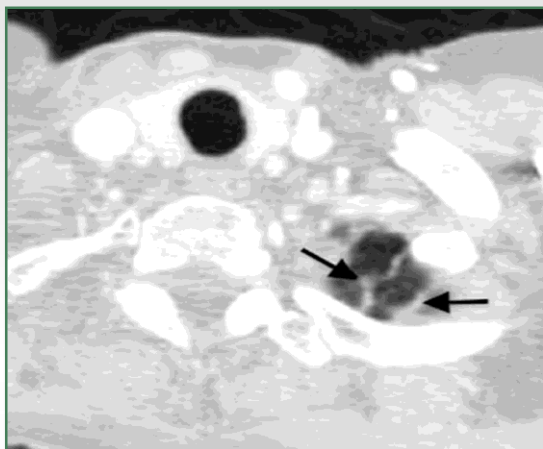


Workshop Organization

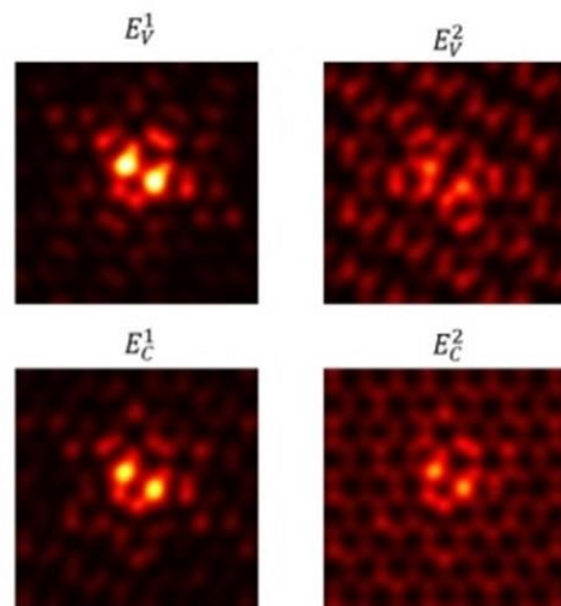
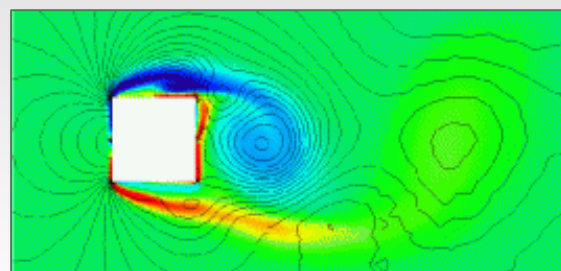


An AI Taxonomy Drives Research Strategy

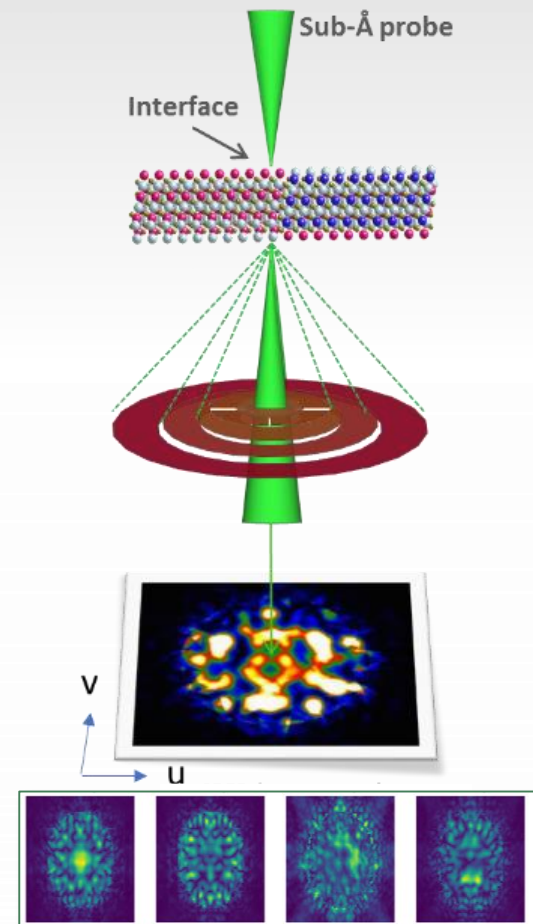
Classification and regression



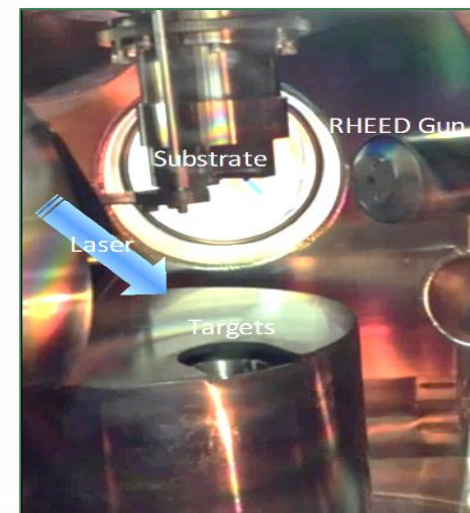
Surrogates



Inverse problems, design and optimization



Control systems



Report Outline

- Materials, Environmental and Life Sciences
 - Chemistry, Materials and Nanoscience
 - Earth and Environmental Sciences
 - Biology and Life Sciences
- High-energy, Nuclear and Plasma Physics
 - High Energy Physics
 - Nuclear Physics
 - Fusion
- Engineering, Instruments and Infrastructure
 - Engineering and Manufacturing
 - Smart Energy Infrastructure
 - AI for Computer Science
 - AI for Imaging
 - AI at the edge
 - Facilities Integration and AI Ecosystem
- Foundations, Software, Data Infrastructure and Hardware
 - AI Foundations and Open problems
 - Software Environments and Software Research
 - Data Life Cycle and Infrastructure
 - Hardware Architectures

AI Foundations



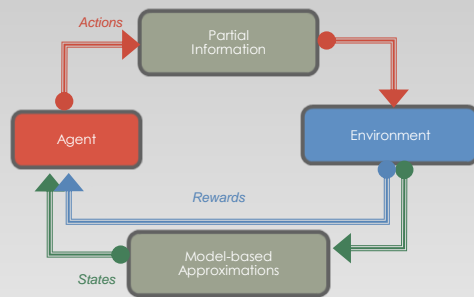
Foundational Investments

Data



- Experimental design
- Data curation and validation
- Compressed sensing
- Facilities operation and control

Learning



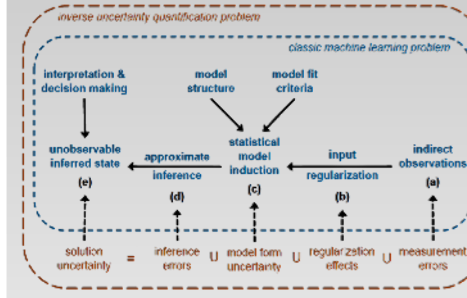
- Physics informed
- Reinforcement learning
- Adversarial networks
- Representation learning and multi-modal data
- “Foundations” of learning, e.g., robustness, stability

Scalability



- Algorithms, complexity and convergence
- Levels of parallelization
- Mixed precision arithmetic
- Communication
- Implementations on accelerated-node hardware

Assurance



- Uncertainty quantification
- Explainability and interpretability
- Validation and verification
- Causal inference

Workflow



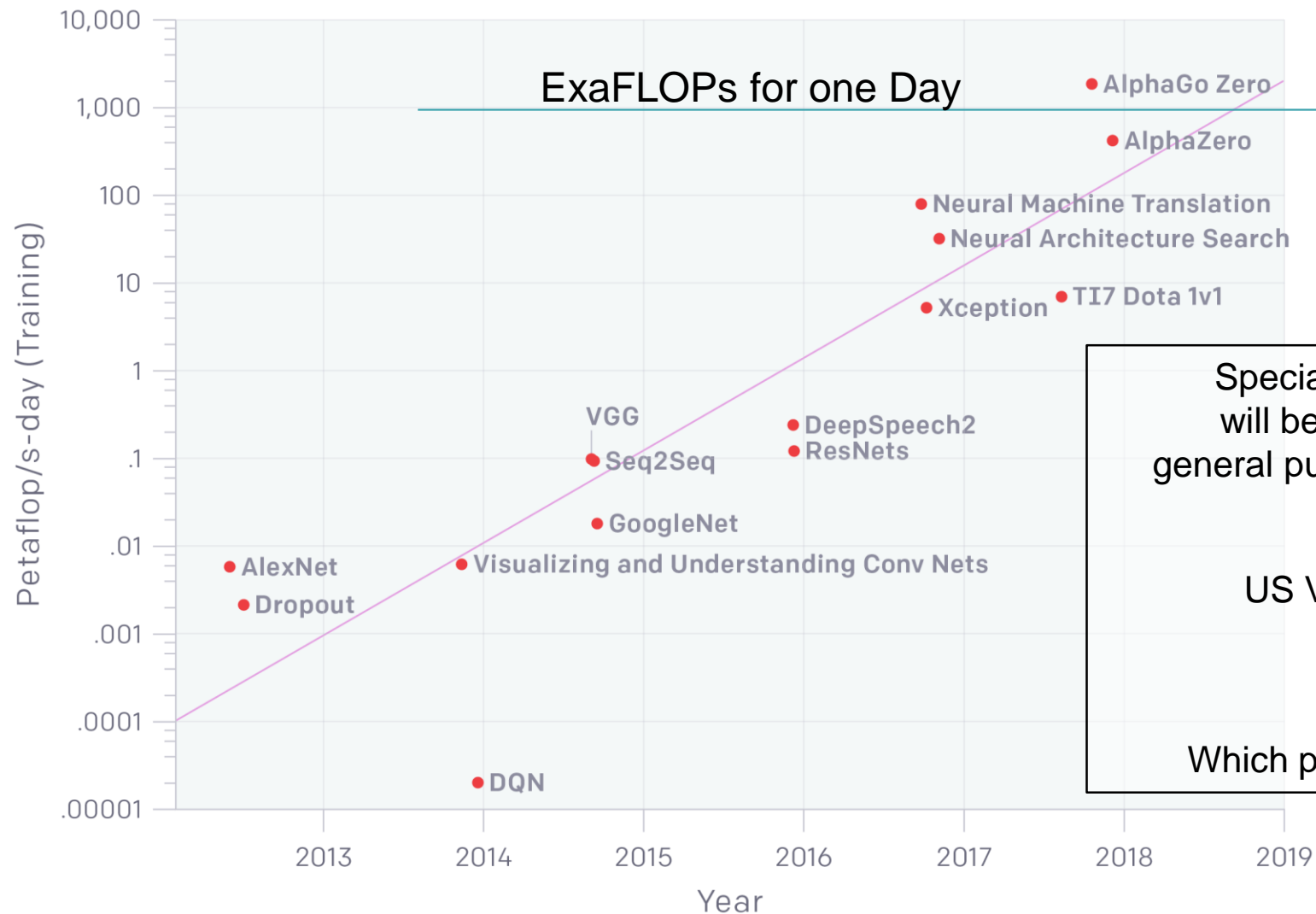
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- Online learning
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- Infrastructure
- Augmented intelligence
- Human-computer interface

Facilities and AI Ecosystem



Deep Learning Needs High Performance Computing

AlexNet to AlphaGo Zero: A 300,000x Increase in Compute



Specialized hardware is emerging that will be 10x – 100x the performance of general purpose CPU and GPU designs for AI

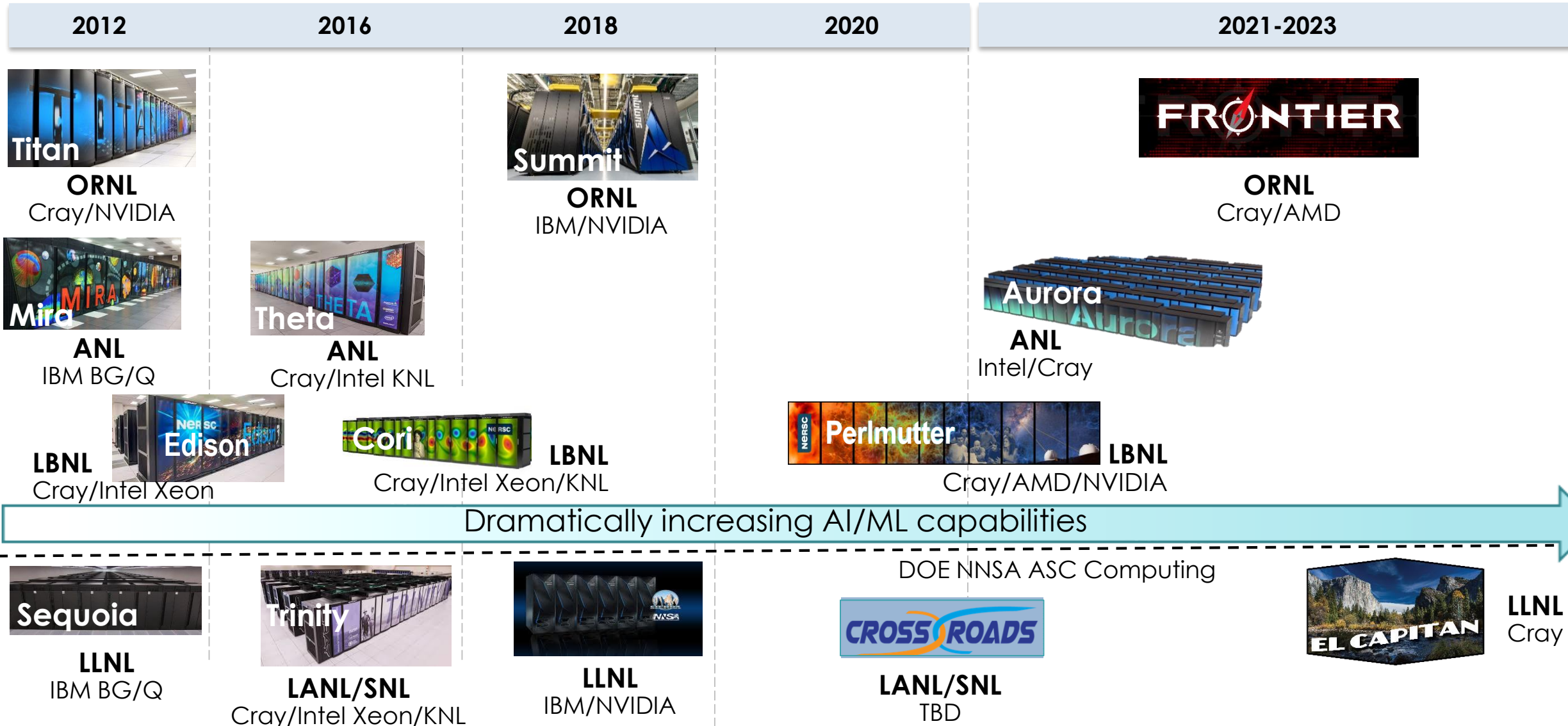
US VCs investing >\$4B in startups for AI acceleration

Which platforms will be good for science?

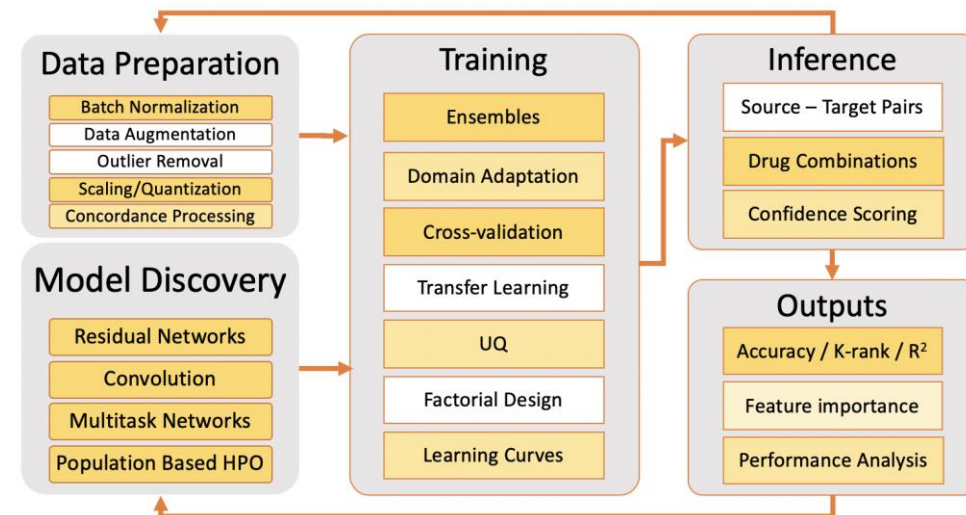
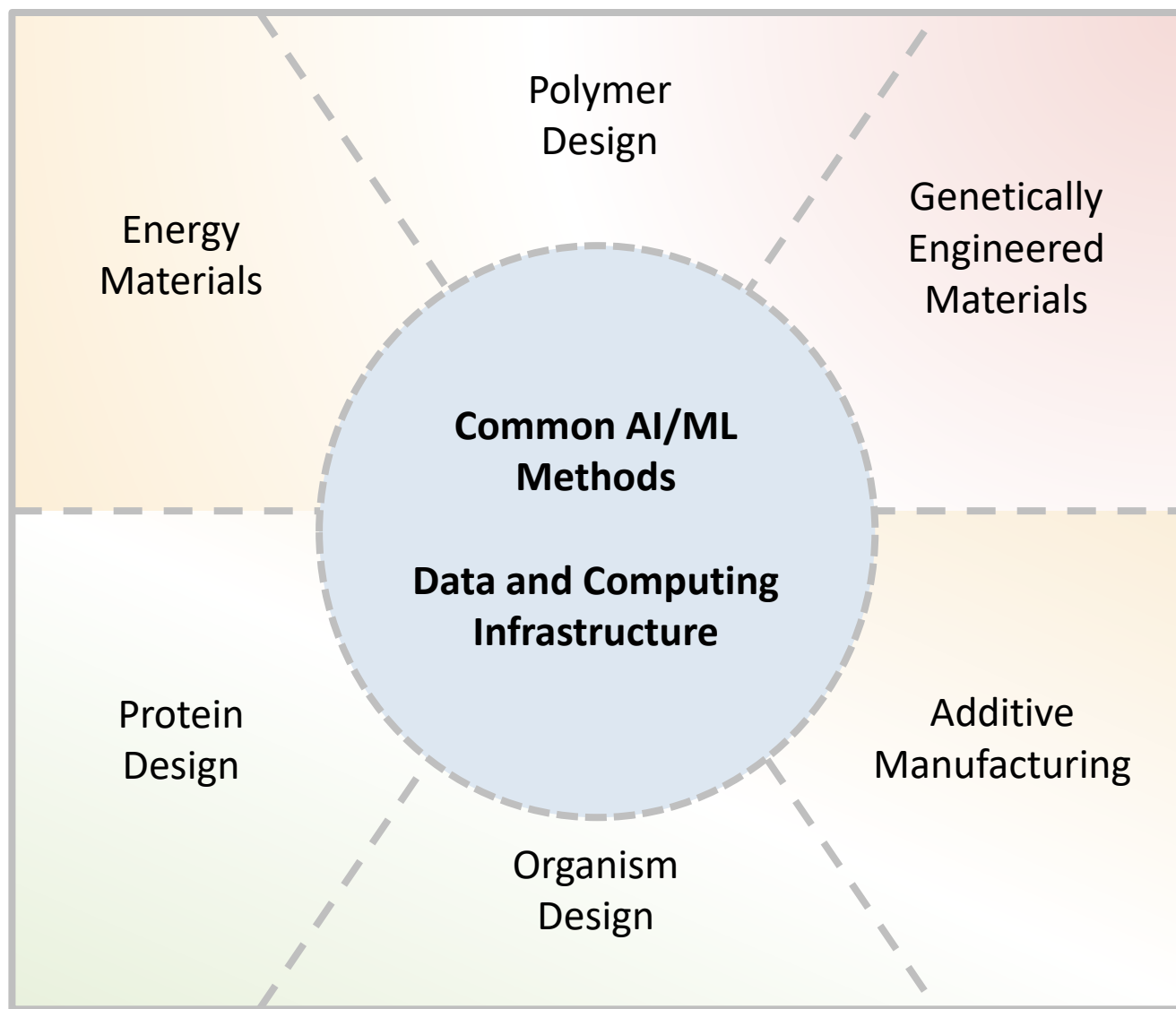
DOE is building on a record of success delivering HPC capabilities

Pre-exascale systems

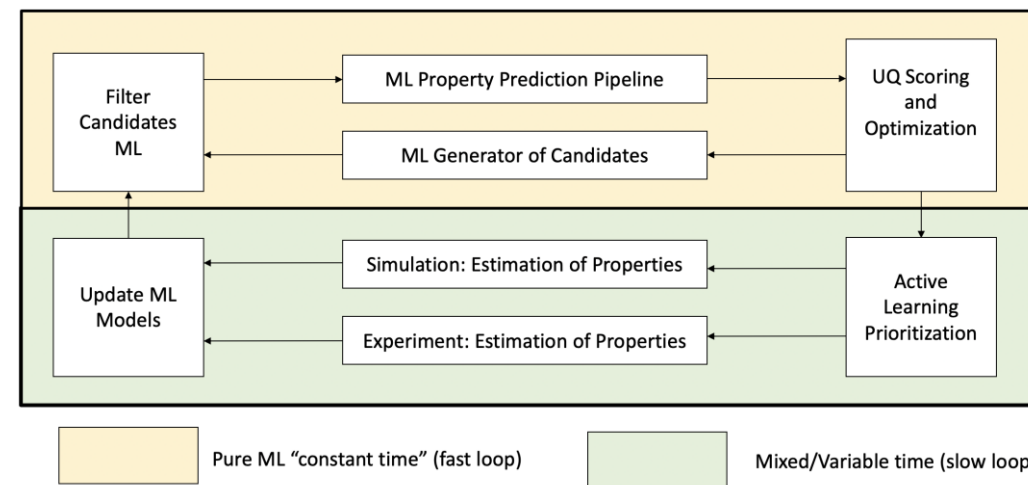
First exascale systems



AI Driven Autonomous Laboratory Cluster



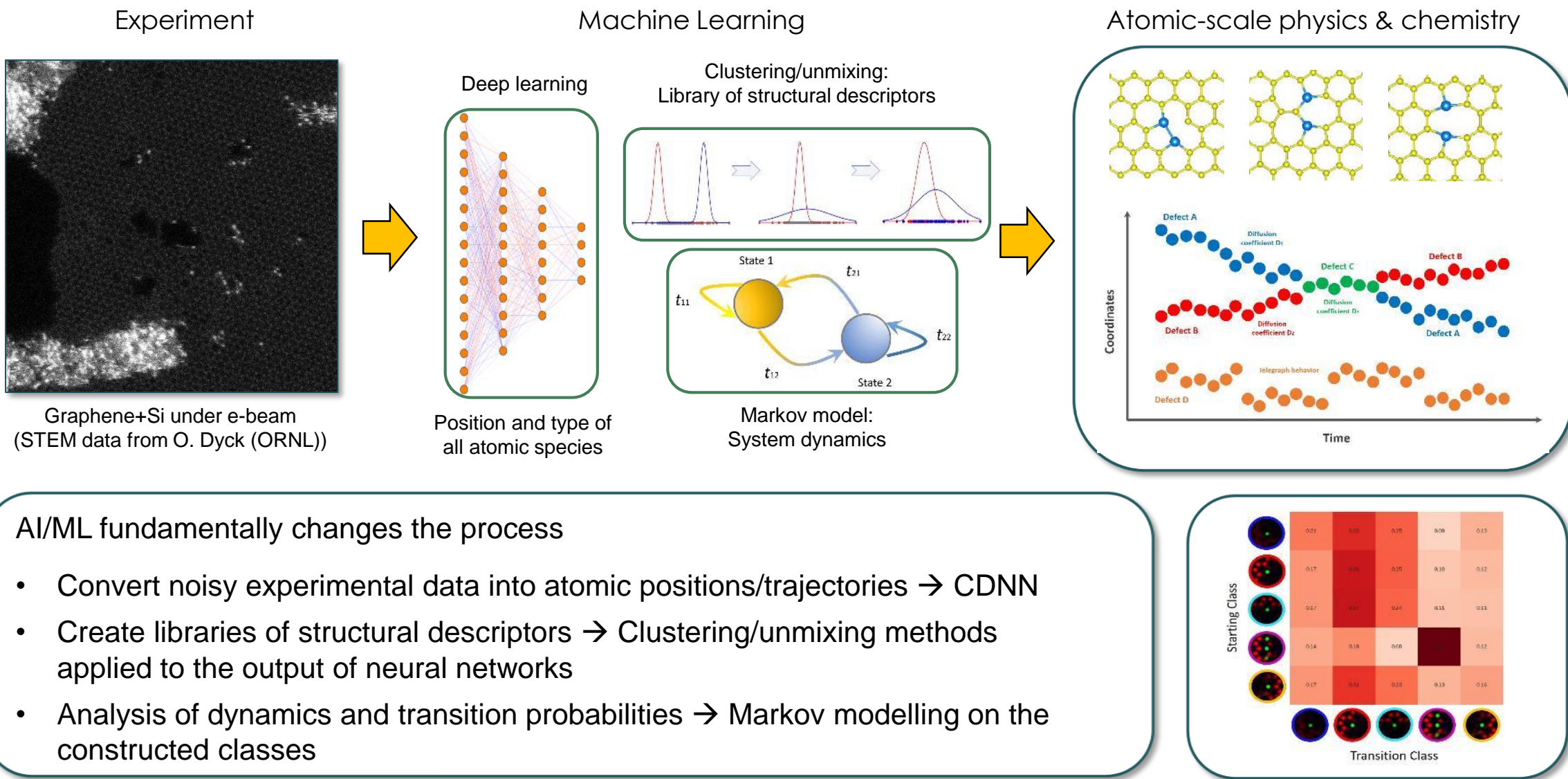
Layered workflow combining AI, HPC and HTS



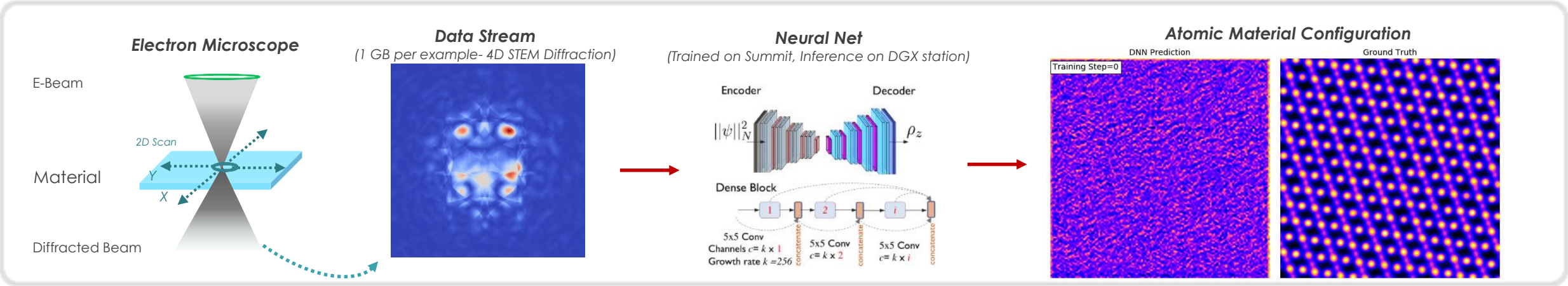
HPC for Next Generation Materials Science



AI for Defect Characterization and Materials Design

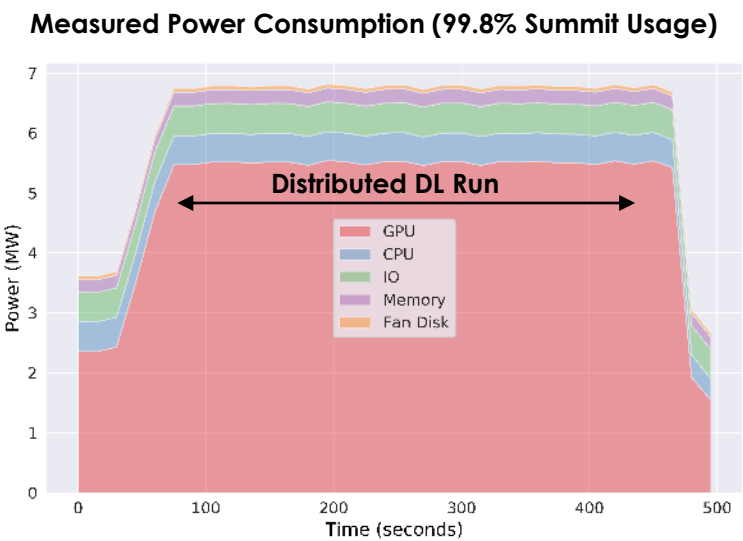
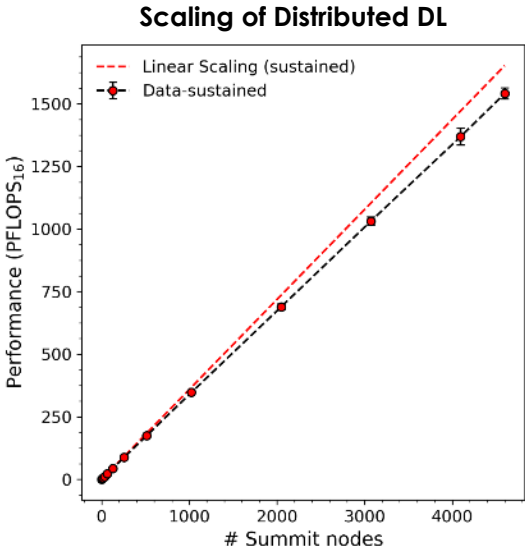


AI coupled with Summit enable structure inversion



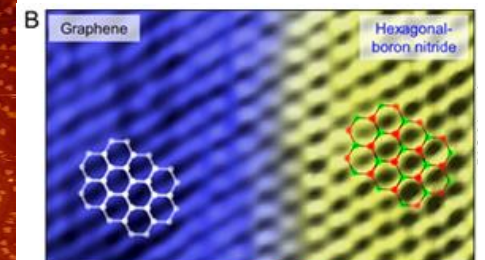
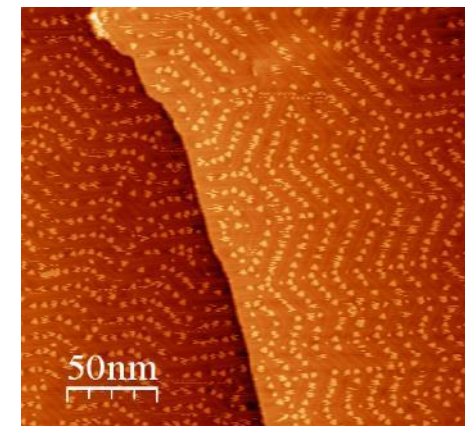
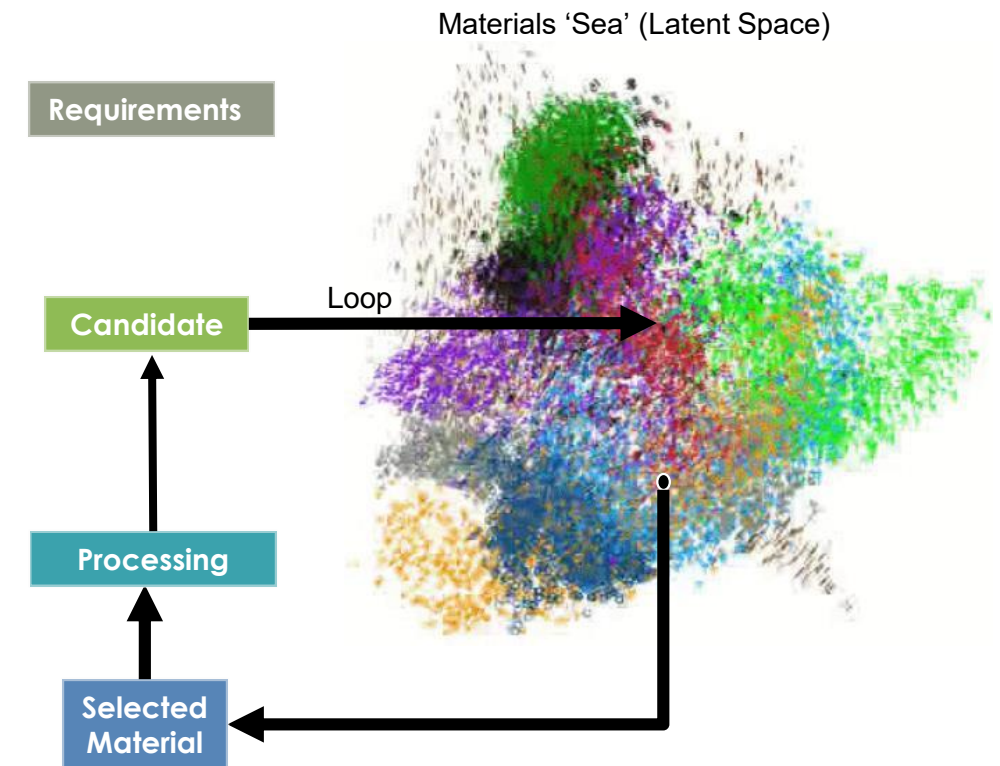
One training example is **4000x larger than ImageNet** example. Training on ~ 10 GPUs takes days.

- Distributed Training up to ~ 10,000 GPUs produces near-linear speedup.
- **93% scaling efficiency** on full Summit System
- Peak Performance of **2.15 ExaFLOPS** (16-bit)



AI-based optimization will enable fundamentally new materials and processing

- Given requirements (high T operation, strength, cost, etc.), can we discover new materials to address these needs?
- After discovery, can we optimize the processing to achieve the aims?
- Scientific challenges
 - Descriptors for materials at all length scales
 - Generation of local structure-property libraries with AI-assisted approaches
 - Impact of processing on subsequent properties
 - Efficient experimental explorations of the design space
 - Cheaper computational modeling for rapid iteration



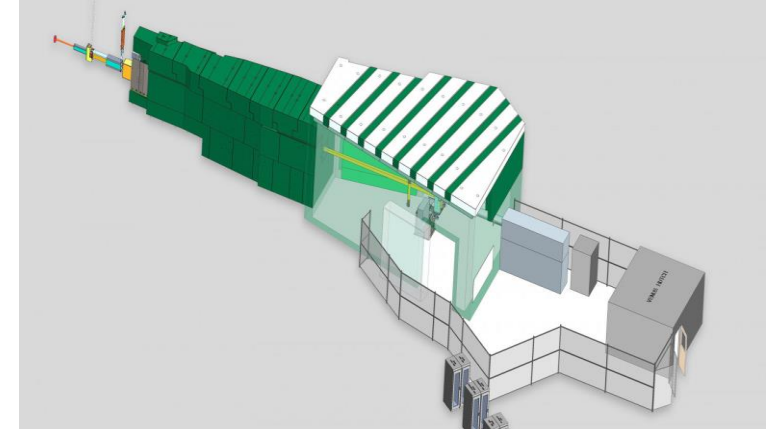
Science (2014); Nature Comm.(2014)

HPC for Scalable Imaging



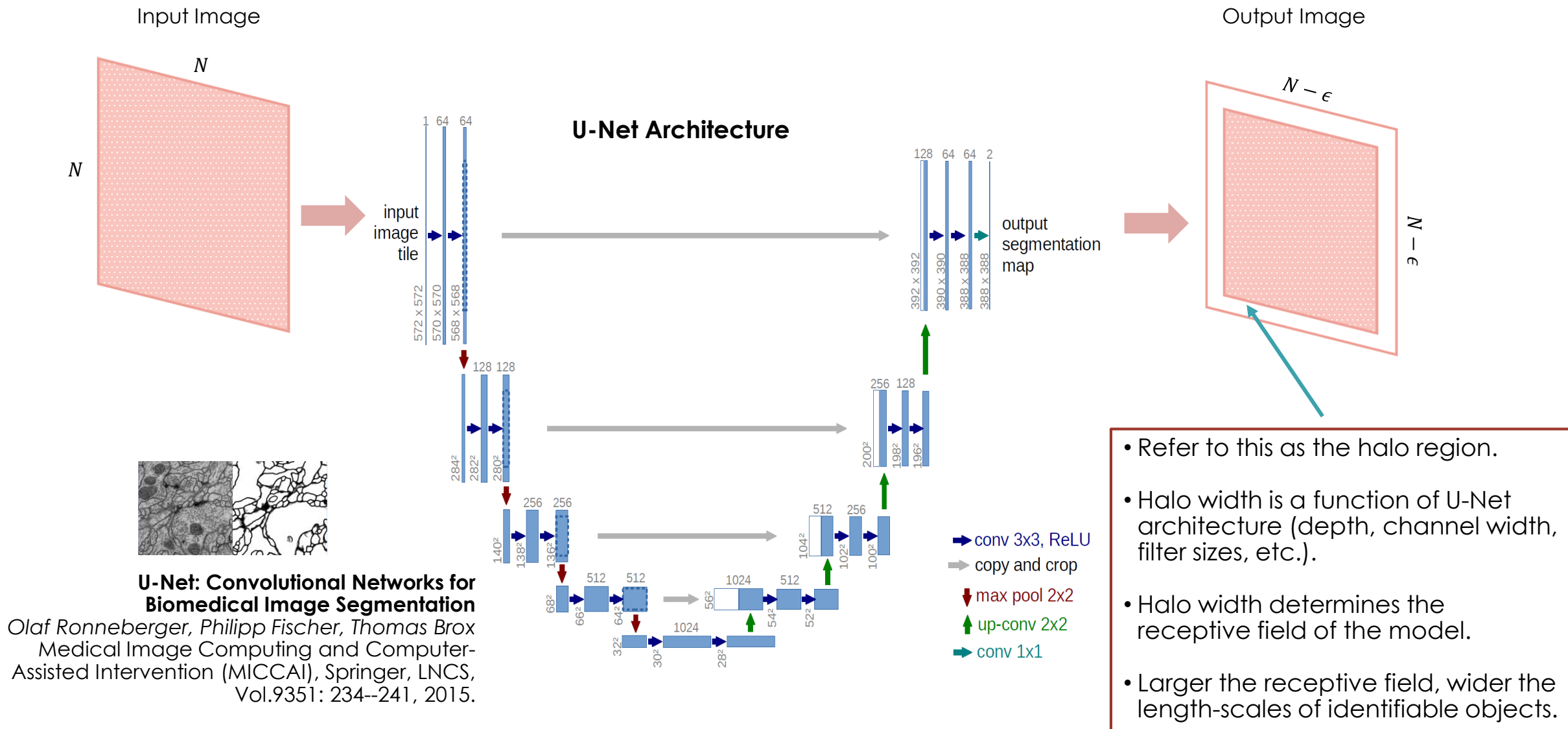
Summit-scale U-Net Training

- Goal is not just faster, but also better.
- Satellite images collected at high-resolutions (30-50 cm) yield very large 10,000 x 10,000 images.
- Training ML models on these large high-resolution images is extremely challenging.
- Accurate ML models are needed to resolve multi-scale objects (buildings, solar panels, land cover details).
- U-Net models preferred -- good for training with limited labeled data.
- At present, requires many days to train a single model (even on special-purpose DL platforms like DGX boxes).
- Hyperparameter tuning of these models take much longer.



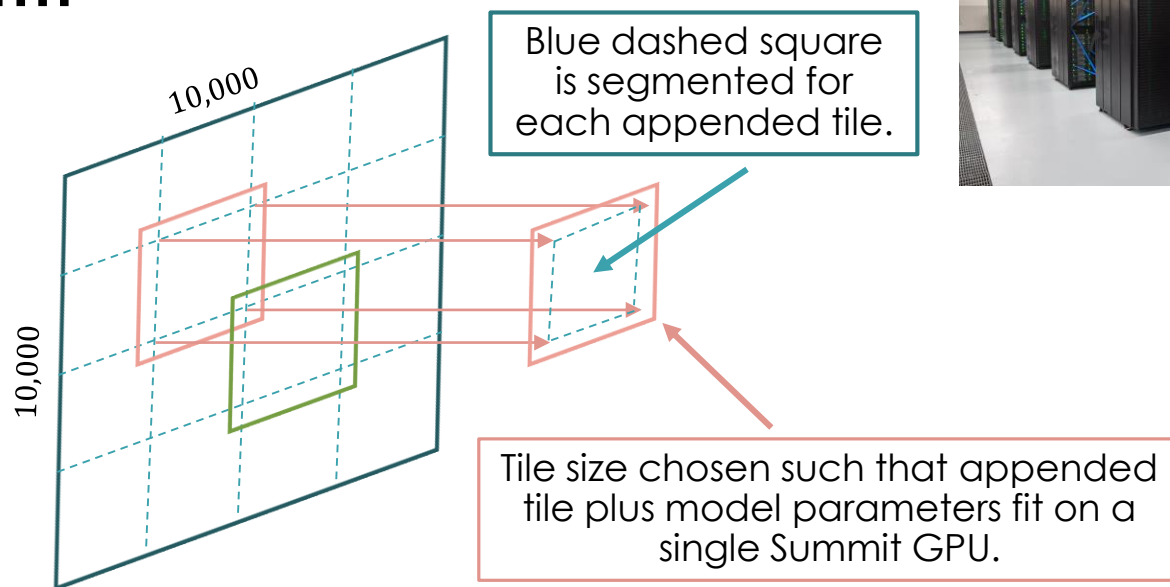
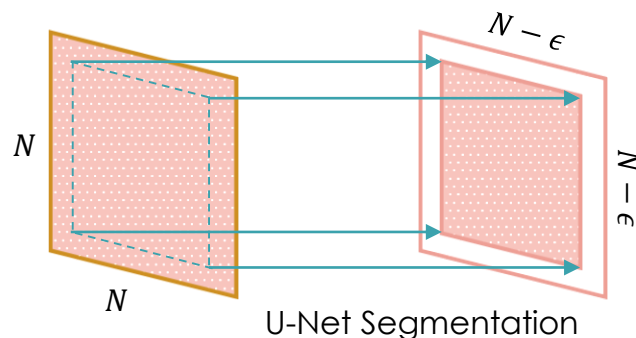
ML technologies developed will be here applicable to other large-scale image analytics domains (e.g., as anticipated from the VENUS neutron imaging instrument).

Semantic Segmentation with U-Net

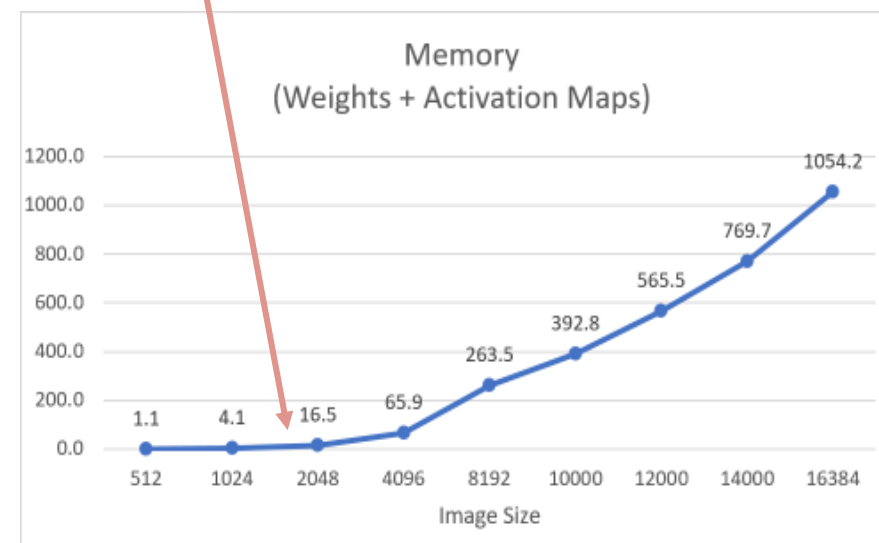


Scalable Sample Parallel Segmentation Leveraging Summit's Vast GPU Farm

- Given a $N \times N$ image, U-Net segments a $(N - \epsilon) \times (N - \epsilon)$ inset square.

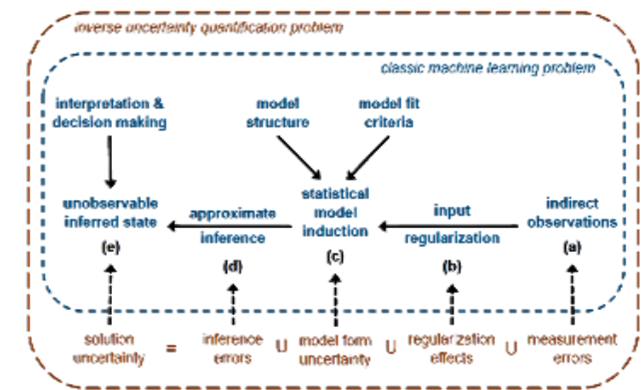
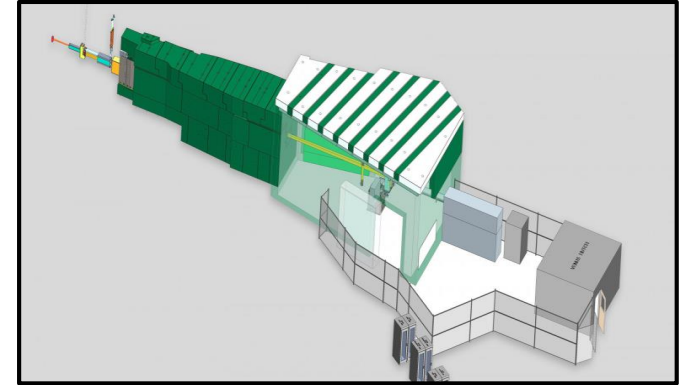


- Partition each $10,000 \times 10,000$ image sample into non-overlapping tiles.
- Append an extra halo region of width ϵ along each side of each tile.
- Assign each appended tile to a Summit GPU. Use U-Net to segment appended tile.
- Each GPU segments an area equal to that of the original non-overlapping tile.



Summary: My Identified Themes From The Townhalls

- Laboratory of the Future. AI changes
 - How we do science
 - How we manage facilities
 - How we manage data
- Assurance. We are going to have to think differently and more intentionally.
 - Quality of science
 - Verification and Validation
 - Societal impacts
- Fundamental technical challenges
 - Need foundational investments in math and computer science
 - Need to deliver a software and hardware infrastructure
 - Need a co-design mentality



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Thank you

