

# Machine Learning Meets Big Spatial Data

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# The Rise of Machine Learning



## The Rise of Machine Learning and AI is Improving Lives in 2018

Take a dive into how Machine Learning and AI have impacted the way we live our daily lives.

**Bhupinder Kour**  
January 5, 2018



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Let's take a look at a brief article that explores machine learning and how the recent surge of data has empowered a field of computer science.

by **olu campbell** · Aug. 25, 18 · AI Zone · Opinion

IDC forecasts that spending on Machine Learning will grow from \$12 billion in 2017 to \$57.6 billion by 2021. What's more, Machine Learning patents grew at a 34-percent CAGR between 2013 and 2017, making it the third-fastest growing category of all patents granted.

## The rise of machine learning in astronomy



The SKA will have over 2000 radio dishes and 2 million low-frequency antennas once finished. When mapping the universe, it pays to have some smart programming. Experts share how machine learning is changing the future of astronomy.

## Forbes

## Rise Of The Machines: The Future Of Data Science And Machine Learning

**Meghann Chilcott** Forbes Councils  
Forbes Technology Council CommunityVoice

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FROM THE EDITOR

## The Rise of Machine Learning

When smartphones, cars, and other devices learn, businesses and people win.

By **Tom Haunert**  
July/August 2016

Futurists and science fiction writers have created some high expectations over the years. "Where's my flying car?" has become a classic rhetorical question as people look

## Packt Search...

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## The rise of machine learning in the investment industry

By **Netasha Mathur** · February 15, 2019 · 4:00 am · 954 · 0

The investment industry has evolved dramatically over the last several decades and continues to do so amid increased competition, technological advances, and a challenging economic environment. In this article, we will review several key trends that have shaped the investment environment in general, and the context for algorithmic trading more

## Broadcast

## The rise of machine learning

By **Adrian Pennington** | 25 September 2017

AI is an increasingly important tool for media companies, helping to automate repetitive tasks and free up staff to focus on delivering quality content.

Much of what is now referred to as Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) is, in reality, just advanced image or metadata analysis. Rather than 'learning' by themselves, machines need to be trained in detail to get good results and will only get better through additional training.



SEARCH

## Why machine learning will see explosive growth over the next 2 years

By **Mecy Bayern** in **Artificial Intelligence**

on September 18, 2018, 7:21 AM PST  
While current production of machine learning projects are low, 96% of companies expect them to increase in the next couple years.



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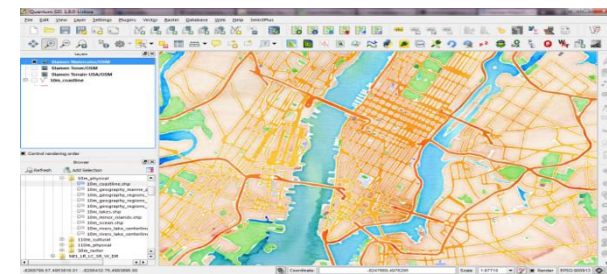
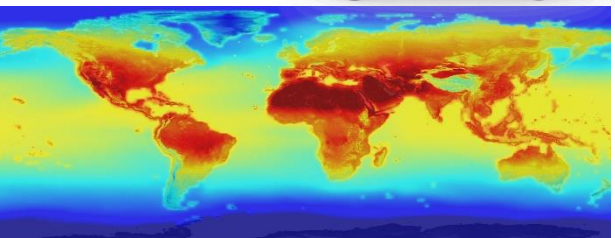
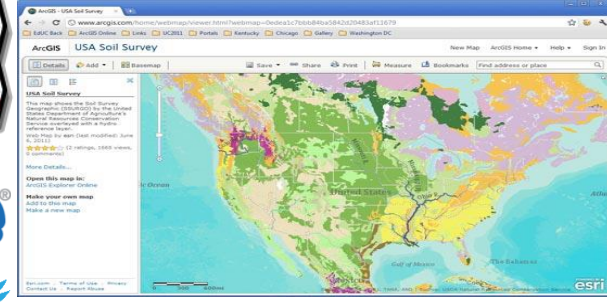
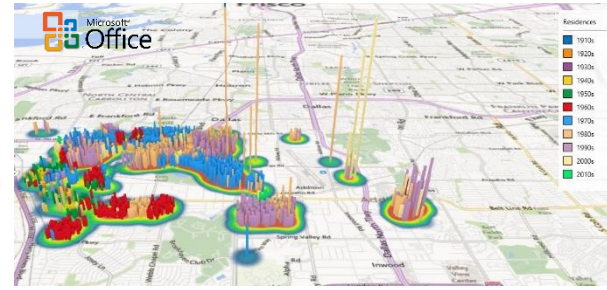
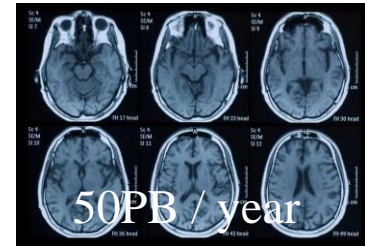
## The Rise of Machine Learning in Cybersecurity

CrowdStrike · August 28, 2018

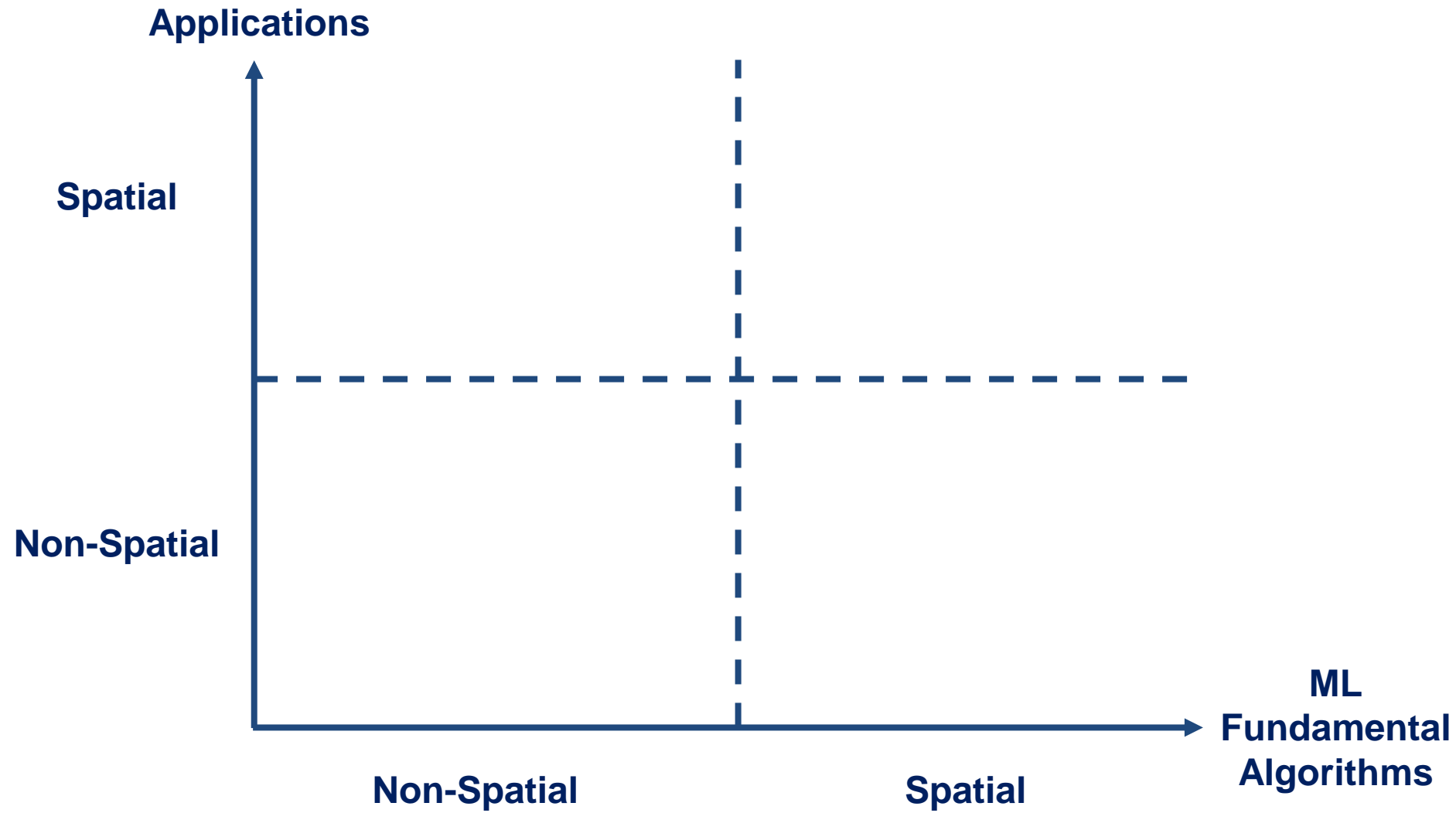
How the critical capability of machine learning can help prevent today's most sophisticated attacks

*"Machine learning is a core, transformative way by which we're rethinking everything we're doing." -Google CEO Sundar Pichai*

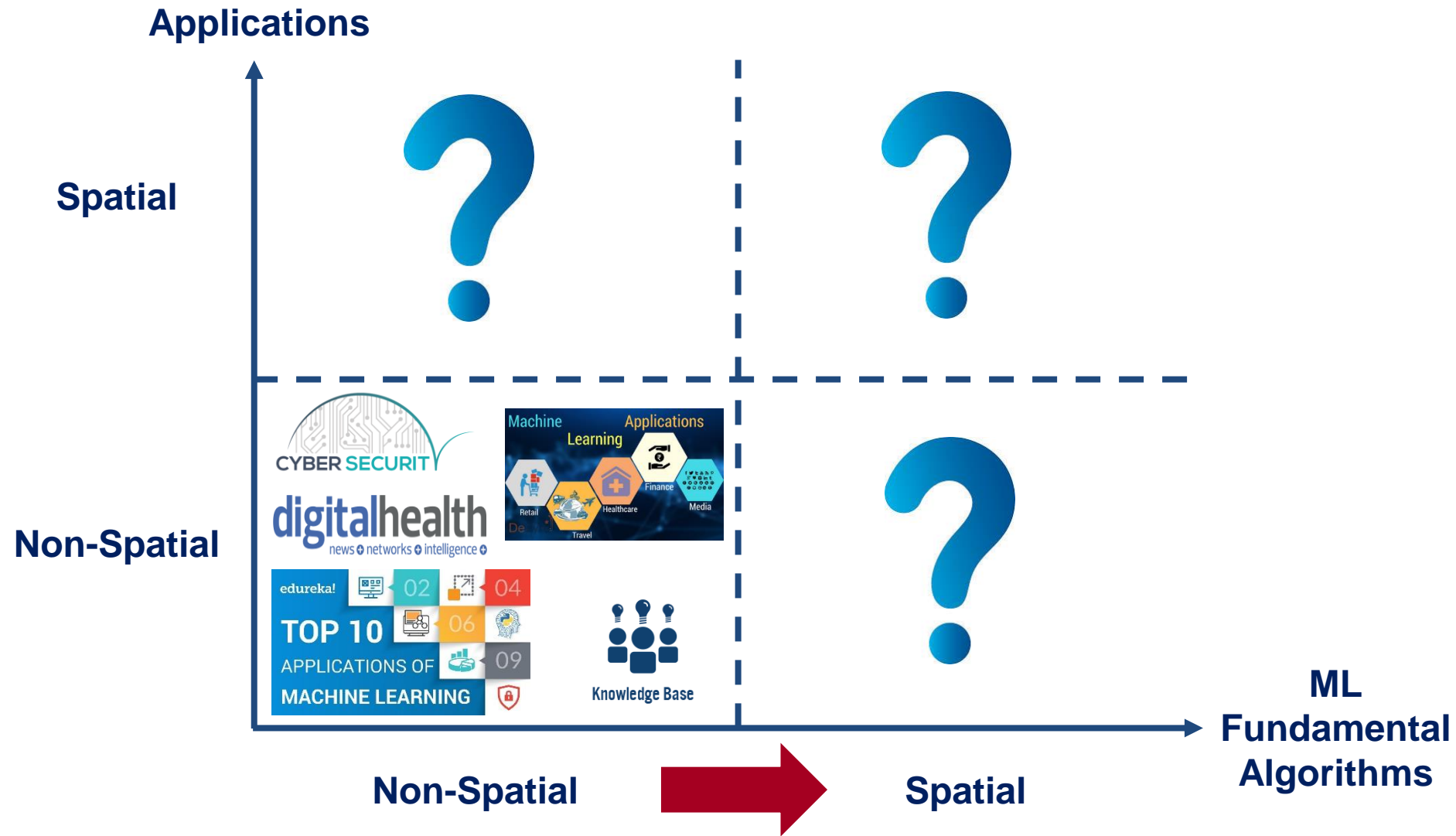
# The Ubiquity of Big Spatial Data



# Machine Learning meets Big Spatial Data



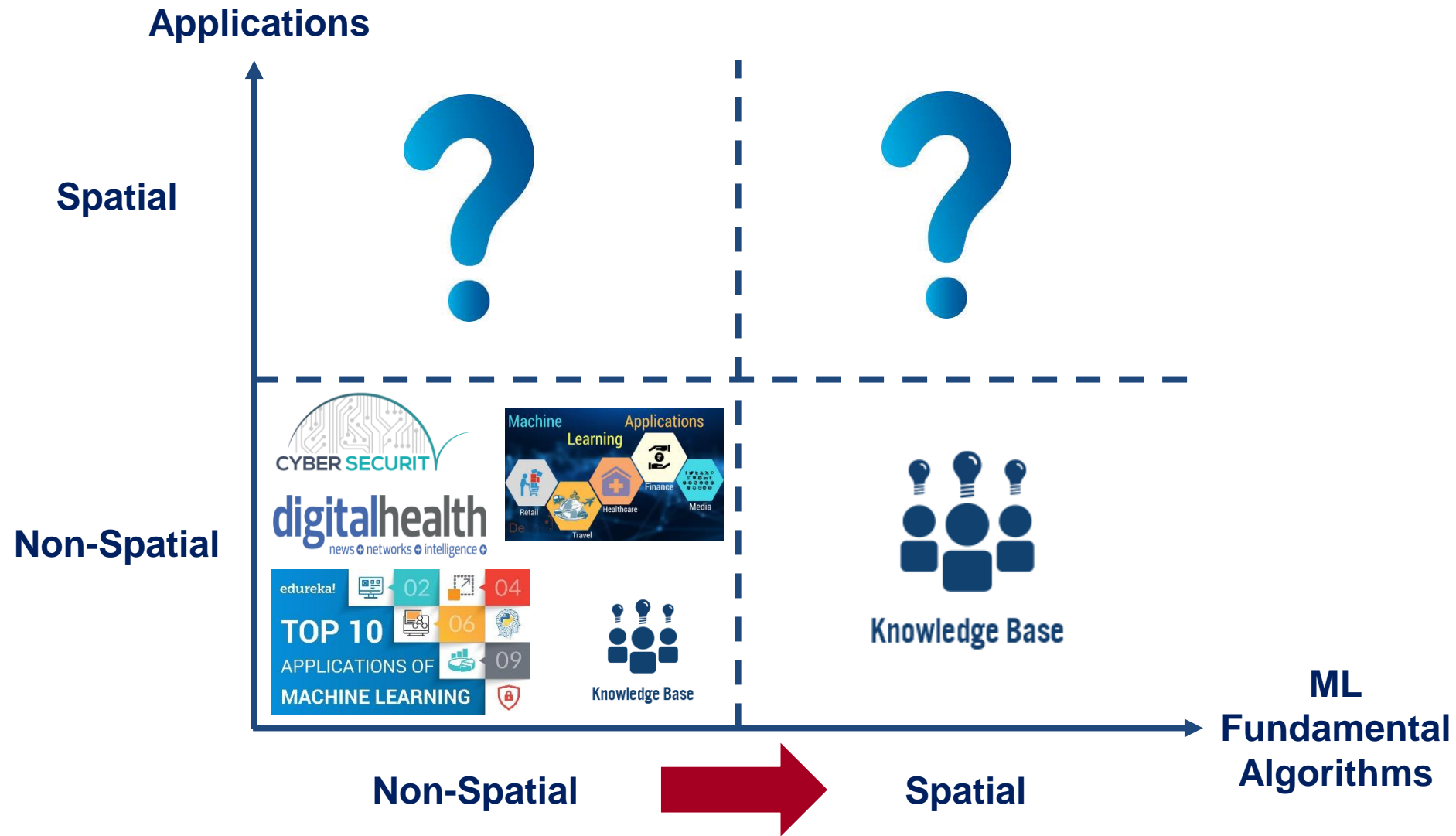
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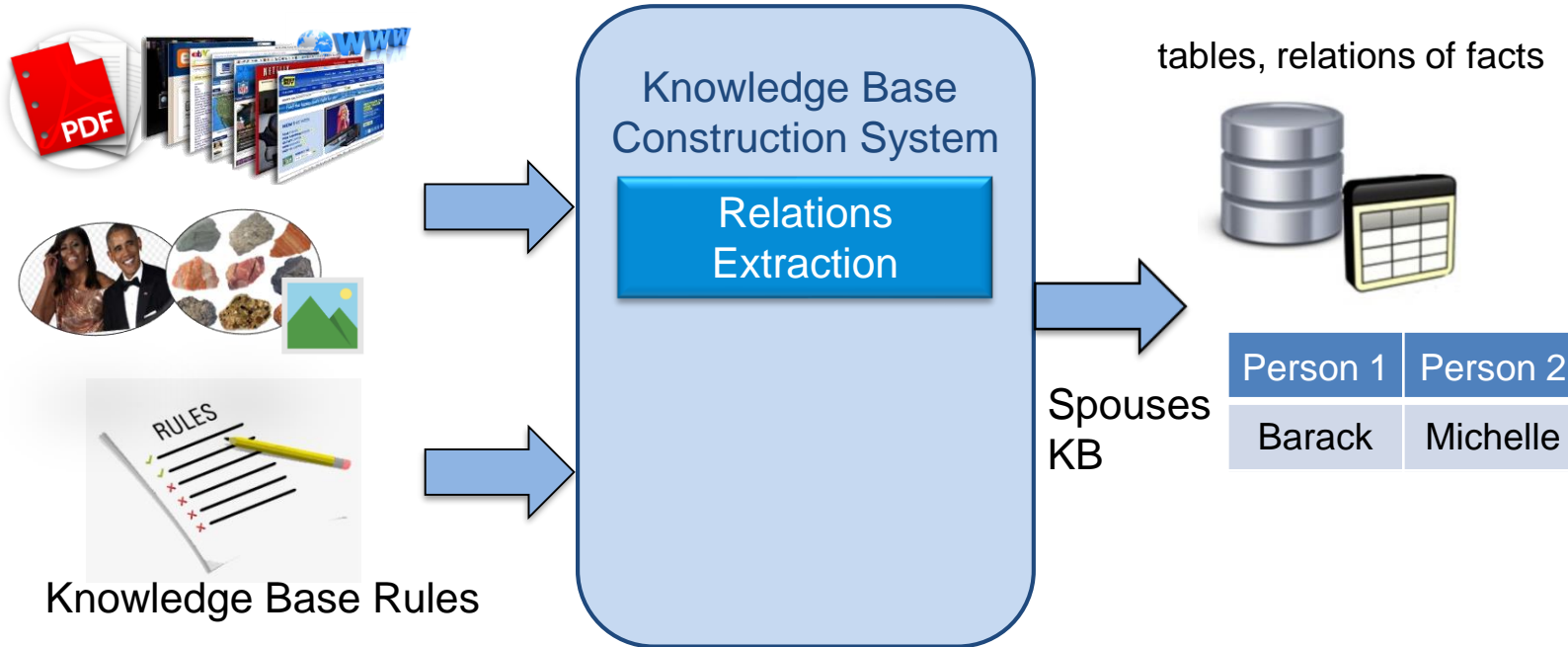
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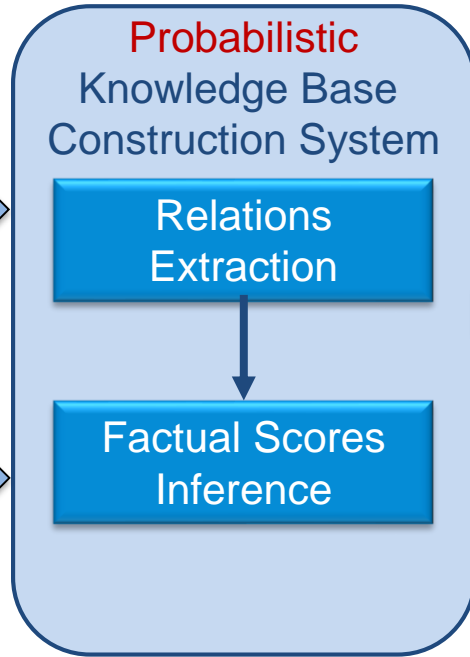
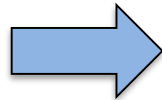
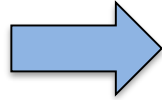


# Knowledge Base Construction





# Probabilistic Knowledge Base Construction



tables, relations of facts

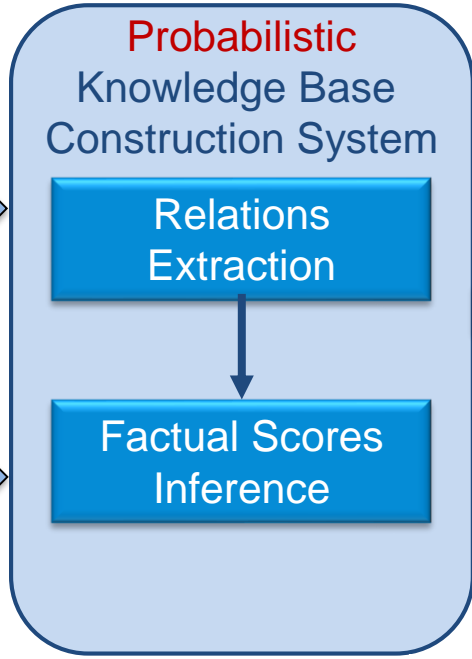
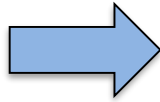
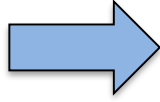


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KB

| Person 1 | Person 2 | Confidence |
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Knowledge Base Rules

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Fight Human Trafficking Crime Investigation



**appleinsider**

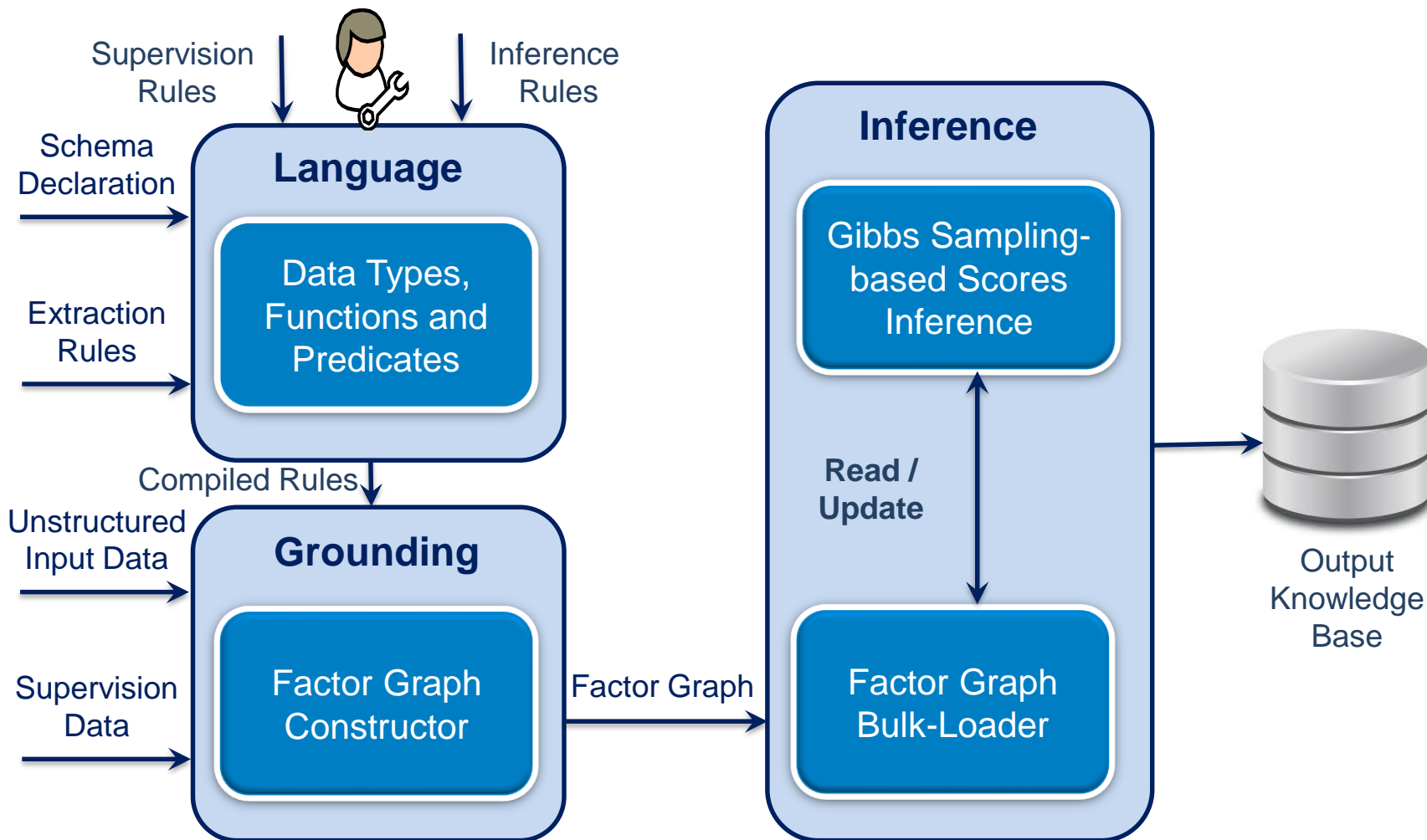
Apple acquires "dark data" specialist Lattice Data for \$200M

By Daniel Eran Dilger  
Saturday, May 13, 2017, 12:29 pm PT (03:29 pm ET)



# DeepDive: ML-based Knowledge-Based Construction

**Built on scalable implementation of Markov Logic Networks**



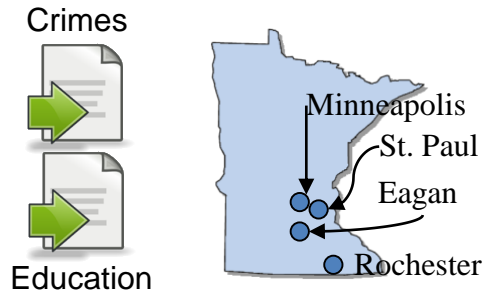
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# DeepDive with Spatial Data ...

## Crime rates in Minnesota

| City        | C | E   |
|-------------|---|-----|
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| St. Paul    | ? | 0.7 |
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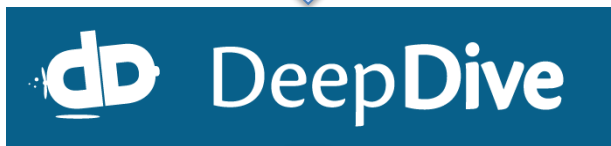


Data

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P2: Cities X&Y have same education level

Inference Rules

**Rule:** P1&P2 → Y has high crime rate



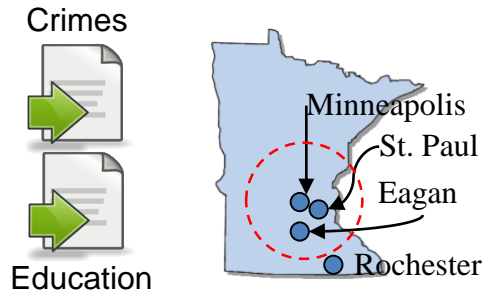
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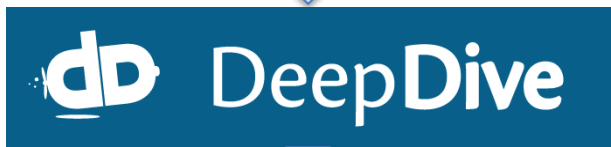


Data

P1: City X has high crime rate  
 P2: Cities X&Y have same education level  
 P3: Cities X&Y are within 80 miles

Inference Rules

~~Rule: P1&P2 → Y has high crime rate~~  
**Rule: P1&P2&P3 → Y has high crime rate**



| City      | Confidence      |     |  |
|-----------|-----------------|-----|--|
| St. Paul  | <del>-0.5</del> | 0.7 |  |
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Infections

Sanitation

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P1: County X has high Ebola infection rate  
 P2: Counties X&Y have same sanitation level

**Rule: P1&P2 → Y has high infection rate**

Inference Rules



| City      | Confidence         |
|-----------|--------------------|
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| Eagan     | <del>0.5</del> 0.7 |
| Rochester | <del>0.5</del> 0   |

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| Bong     | 0.52       |
| Gbarpolu | 0.63       |

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P1: County X has high Ebola infection rate  
 P2: Counties X&Y have same sanitation level  
 P3: Counties X&Y are within 150 miles

~~Rule: P1&P2 → Y has high infection rate~~  
**Rule: P1&P2&P3 → Y has high infection rate**

Inference Rules



| City      | Confidence         |
|-----------|--------------------|
| St. Paul  | <del>0.5</del> 0.7 |
| Eagan     | <del>0.5</del> 0.7 |
| Rochester | <del>0.5</del> 0   |

| City     | Confidence           |
|----------|----------------------|
| Margibi  | <del>0.54</del> 0.51 |
| Bong     | <del>0.52</del> 0.45 |
| Gbarpolu | <del>0.63</del> 0.06 |

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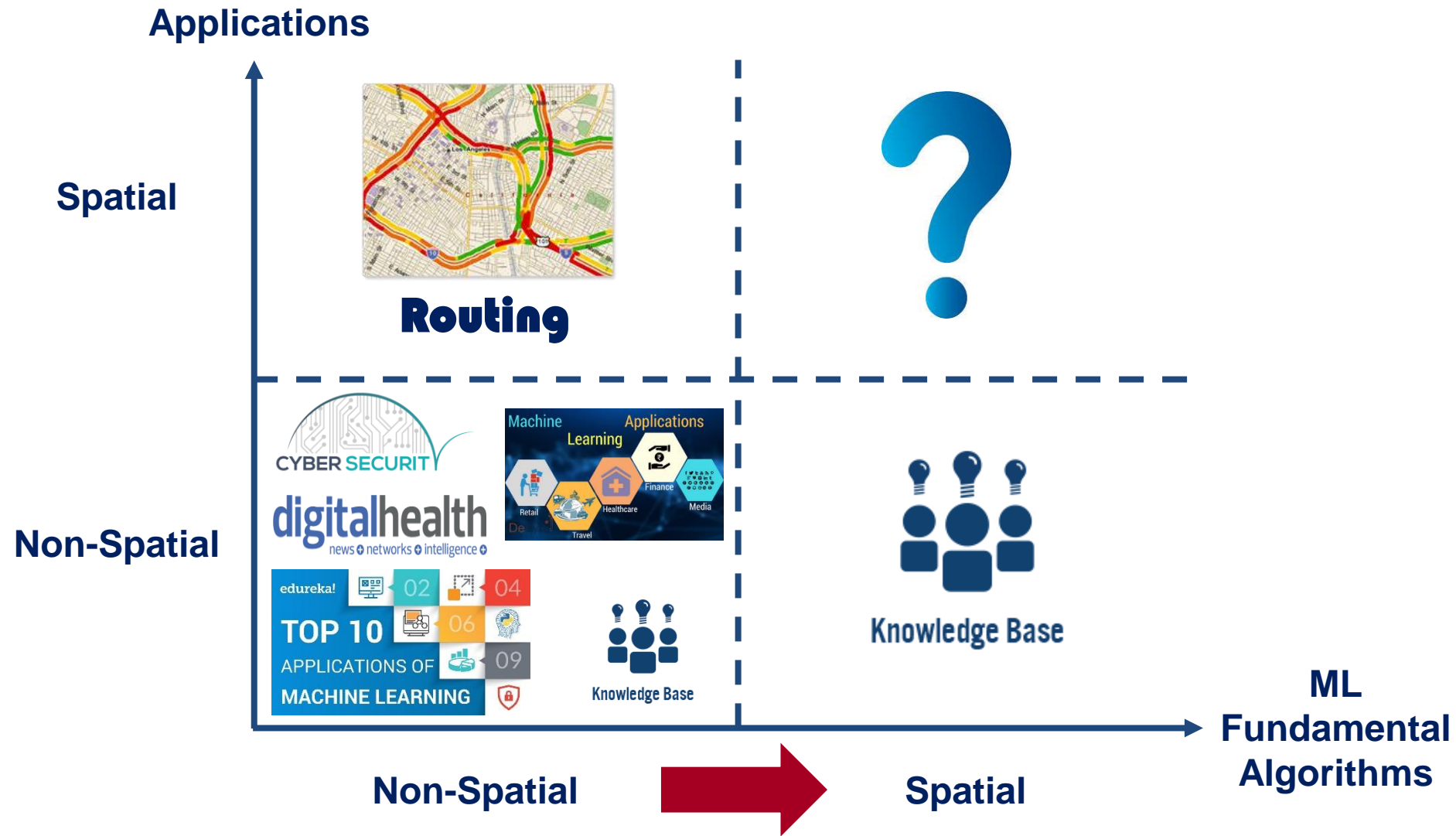
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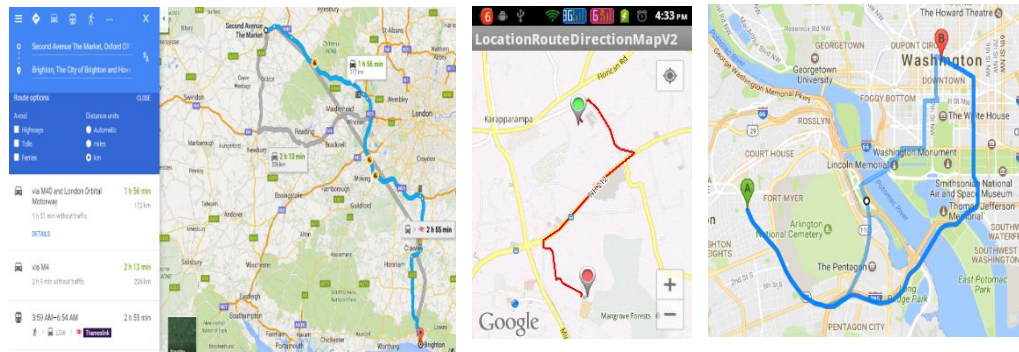
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# Routing..



UBER



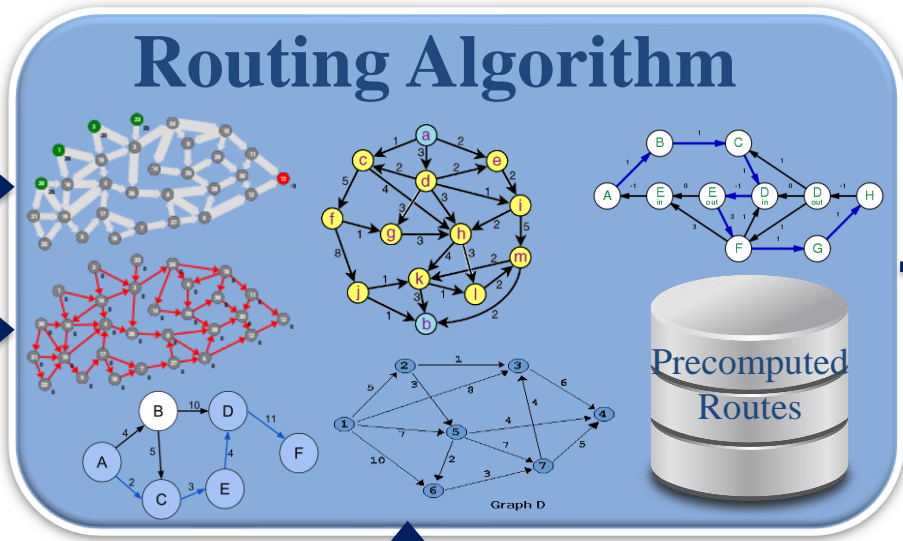
Mapbox



Waze



DiDi



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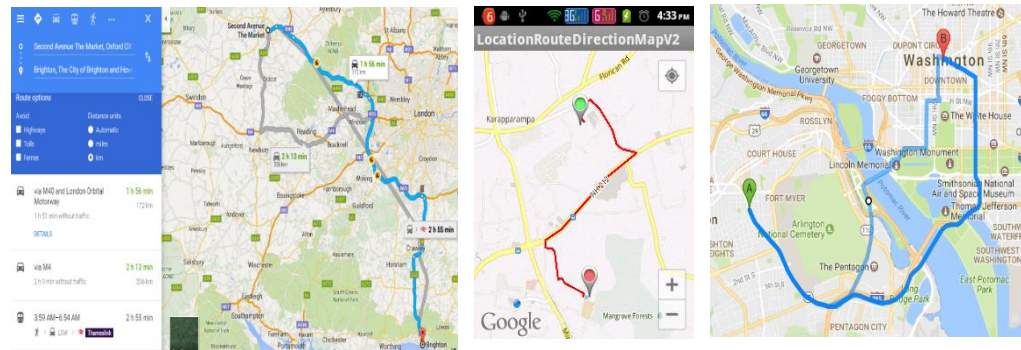
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Route

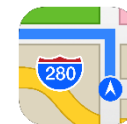


Map

# Routing..



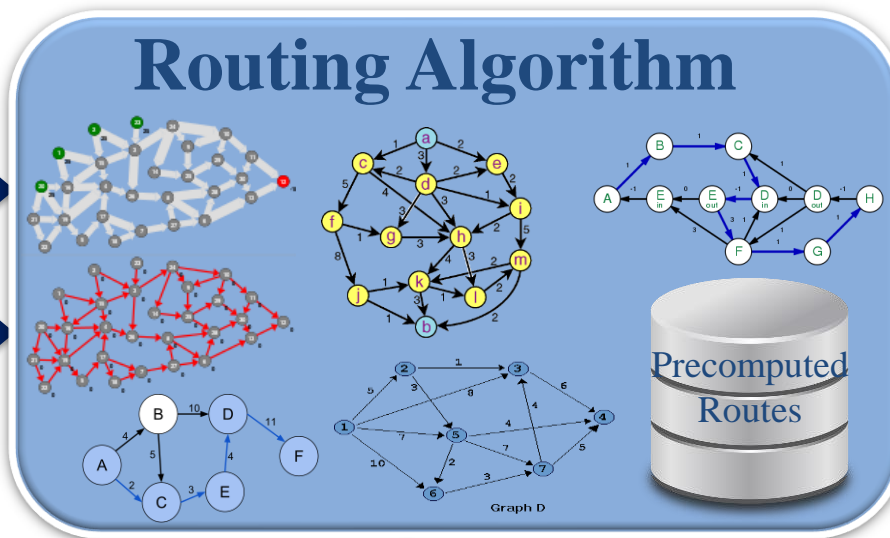
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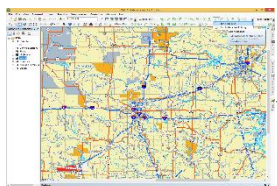


Source

Route

Destination

Topology



Metadata



Map

# Google Maps Leads About 100 Drivers Into A 'Muddy Mess' In Colorado

June 27, 2019 - 11:35 AM ET  
 MERRIT KENNEDY

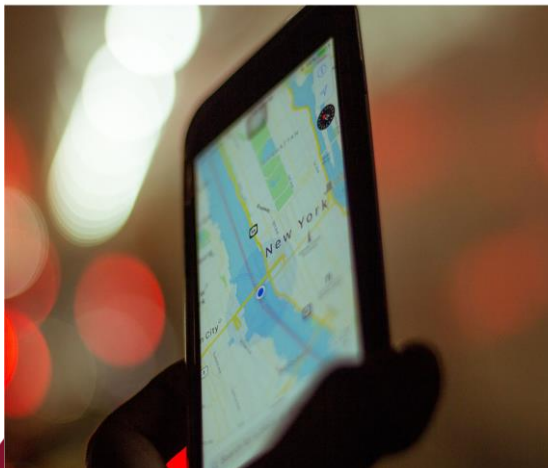


Nearly 100 drivers were recently led astray on a Google Maps-suggested detour near Denver's airport.

## POPULAR SCIENCE

### Google and Apple Maps have plenty of errors. Here's how to fix them.

Flag missing roads, update restaurants' opening hours, and more.  
 By David Nield | November 1, 2018



# GADGET HACKS

## BEST NAVIGATION APPS

### Google Maps vs. Apple Maps vs. Waze vs. MapQuest

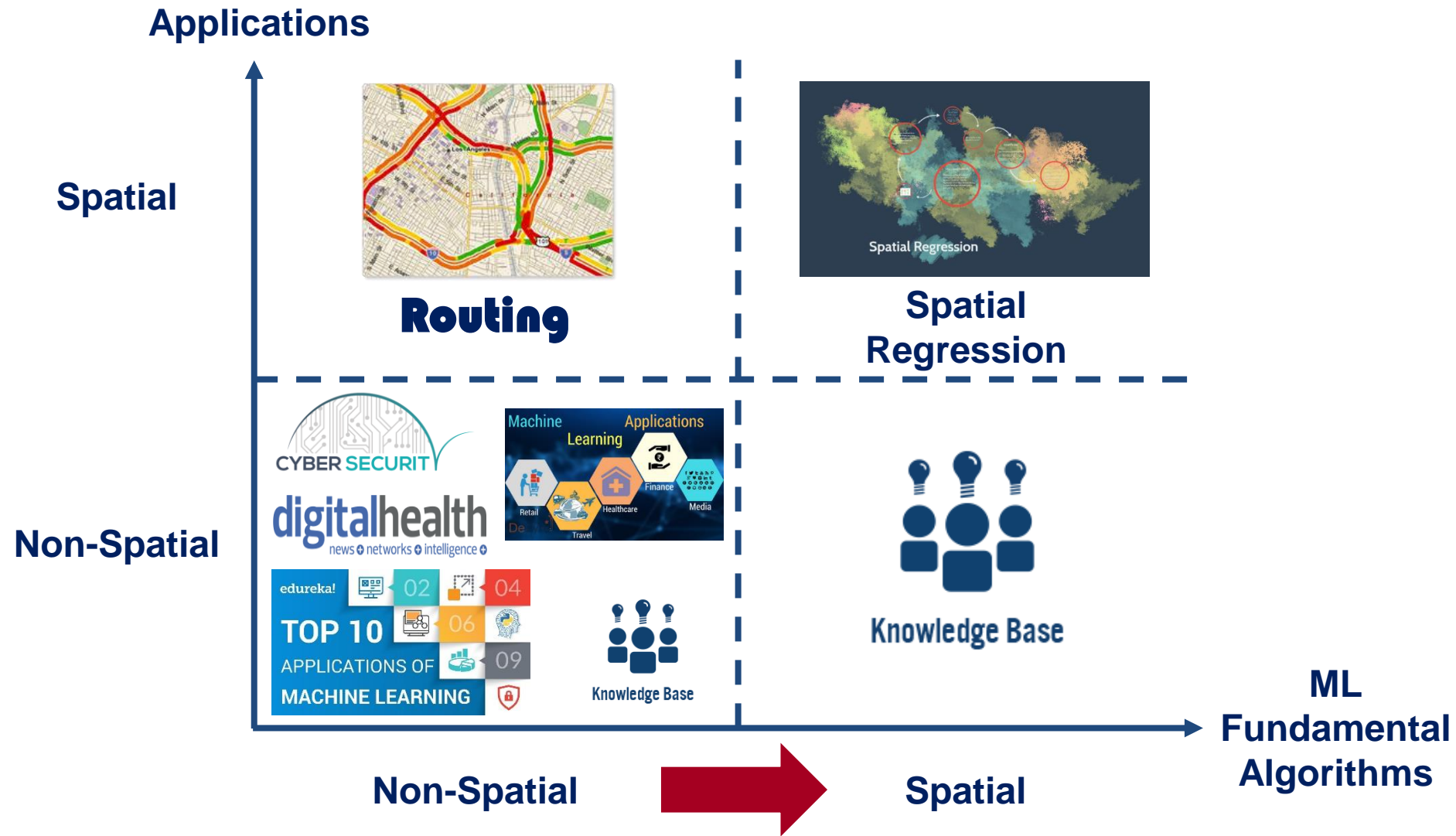
| Best Maps & Navigation Apps for Mobile          |   |                                   |                       |                              |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
|   | Google Maps                                     | Apple Maps                        | Waze                  | MapQuest                     |
| General   |   |                                   |                       |                              |
| Platform  | Android, iOS, macOS, Windows                    | iOS, macOS                        | Android, iOS, Windows | Android, iOS, macOS, Windows |
| Map Features                                    |   |                                   |                       |                              |
| Countries & Territories Mapped                  | 266   | 181                               | 72                    | 252                          |
| Countries & Territories with Driving Directions | 256   | 101                               | 72                    | 252                          |
| Street View                                     | Yes   | No                                | No                    | No                           |
| Overlays  | Satellite, Terrain, Transit, Traffic, Bicycling | Satellite, Transit                | None                  | Satellite                    |
| 3D View   | 3D Structures                                   | 3D Renderings                     | No                    | No                           |
| Live Location Sharing                           | Yes   | Yes                               | No                    | No                           |
| Location History                                | Yes   | Yes                               | Yes                   | Yes                          |
| Cultural Hotspot Indicators                     | Yes   | No                                | No                    | No                           |
| Weather Data                                    | None  | Weather, Temperature, Air Quality | None                  | Weather, Temperature         |
| Indoor Maps                                     | Airports, Malls, Museums                        | Airports, Malls                   | No                    | No                           |
| Offline Maps                                    | Yes   | Yes                               | No                    | No                           |

| Navigation Features                       |   |  |  |                                       |
|---|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|
|   | Alternate Routes, Accidents, Road Work, Speed Traps | Alternate Routes, Accidents, Road Work | Accidents, Alt. Routes, Road Work, Potholes, Police, Speed Traps | Accidents, Road Work, Traffic Cameras |
| Traffic Data                              | In-House, User Curated                              | In-House, Third-Party                  | In-House, User Curated   | Third-Party, User Curated             |
| High Traffic Warnings                     | Yes   | Yes                                    | No   | No                                    |
| Speed Limits                              | Yes   | Yes                                    | Yes  | Yes                                   |
| Lane Guidance                             | Yes   | Yes                                    | Yes  | Yes                                   |
| Add Toll & HOV Passes                     | No  | No                                     | Yes  | No                                    |
| Avoid Tolls & Highways                    | Yes   | Yes                                    | Yes  | Yes                                   |
| Choose Different Routes                   | Yes   | Yes                                    | Yes  | Yes                                   |
| Add Pit Stops                             | Unlimited   | 1                                      | 1  | Unlimited                             |
| Show Gas Prices                           | Yes   | Yes                                    | Yes  | Yes                                   |
| Hands-Free Control In App                 | Yes   | Yes                                    | Yes  | No                                    |
| Directions Using Other Modes of Transport | Transit, Biking, Walking, Ride Share                | Transit, Walking, Ride Share           | Motorcycles, Taxis   | Biking, Walking                       |
| Re-Center                                 | Yes   | Yes                                    | Yes  | Yes                                   |
| Accessible Navigation                     | Yes   | Yes                                    | No   | No                                    |
| Save Parking Spot                         | Yes   | Yes                                    | No   | No                                    |

| App Features                 |                         |               |                       |      |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------|
| Offline Navigation           | Yes                     | Yes           | No                    | No   |
| Works With Screen Off        | Yes                     | Yes           | Yes                   | Yes  |
| App Features                 |                         |               |                       |      |
| Dark Mode                    | Yes                     | Yes           | Yes                   | Yes  |
| Ride Share Integration       | Uber, Lyft, Lime        | Uber, Lyft    | None                  | None |
| Picture In Picture           | Yes (Android Only)      | No            | No                    | No   |
| Lock Screen Navigation       | Yes                     | Yes           | Yes                   | Yes  |
| Show Festivals & Protests    | No                      | No            | Yes                   | No   |
| Personalized Recommendations | Yes                     | No            | No                    | No   |
| Book Dinner Reservations     | Via OpenTable           | Via OpenTable | No                    | No   |
| Report Traffic Issues        | No                      | No            | Yes                   | No   |
| Post Reviews                 | Yes                     | No            | No                    | No   |
| Car Support                  | Android Auto, CarPlay   | CarPlay       | Android Auto, CarPlay | No   |
| AR Features                  | Interactive Street View | Flyover       | None                  | None |
| Widgets                      | Yes                     | Yes           | Yes                   | No   |
| Music Integration            | Yes                     | Yes           | Yes                   | No   |

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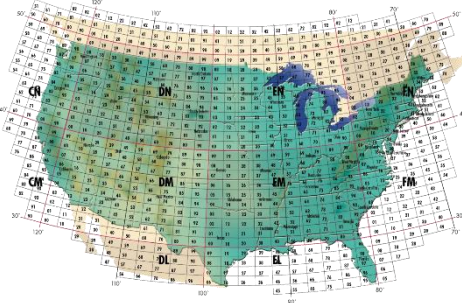
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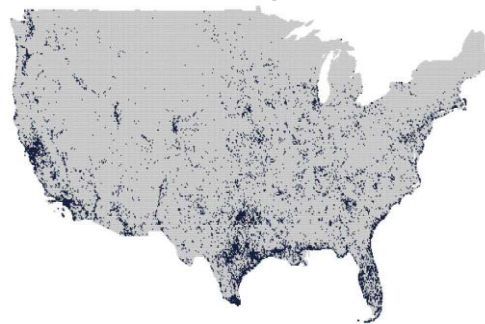
# Spatial (Autologistic) Regression

- Find whether a spatial phenomenon exists or not, **based on** neighbor values and features

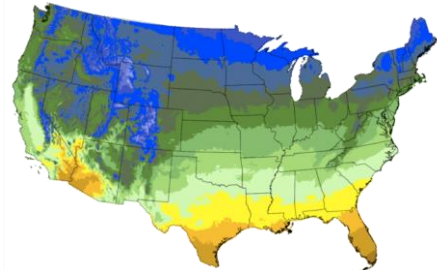
Weather Prediction



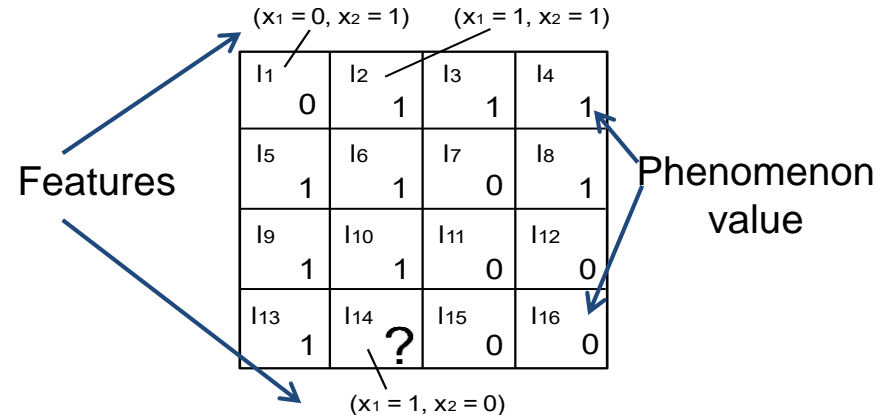
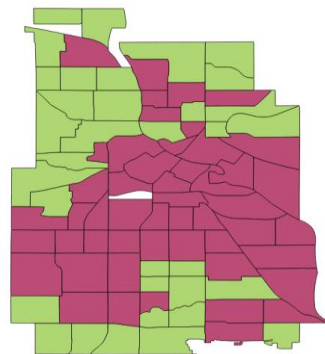
Birds Migration



Land Cover



Crimes Distribution



Missing value

$$\log \frac{Pr(z_i = 1 | \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Z}_{N_i})}{Pr(z_i = 0 | \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Z}_{N_i})} =$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j x_j + \eta \sum_{k \in N_i} z_k$$

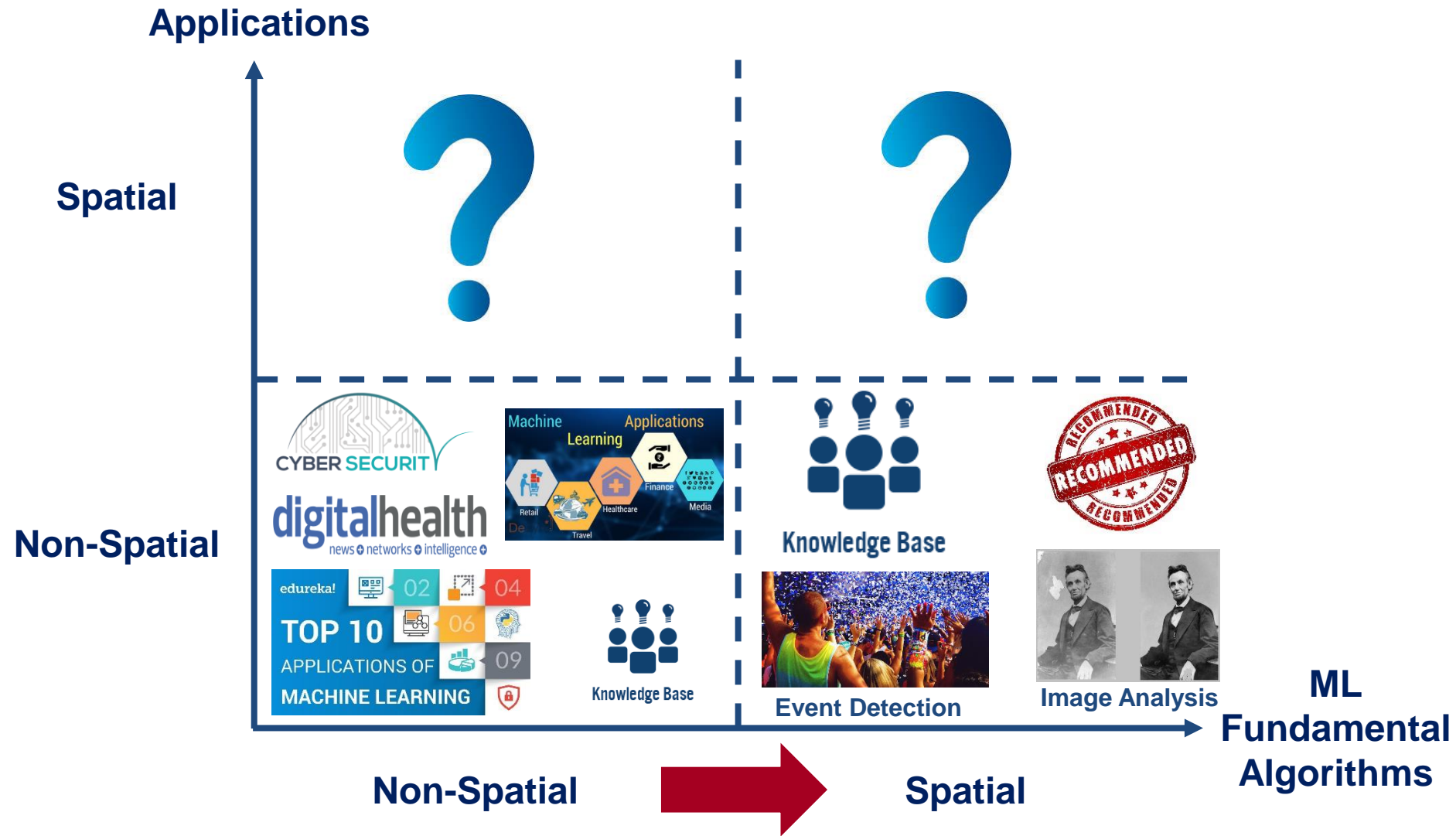
Regression Parameters

Learning regression parameters for 80K cells takes more than one day ☹️

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| Gbarpolu    | ? | 0.6 |

Infections

Sanitation

Data

P1: City X has high crime rate  
 P2: Cities X&Y have same education level  
~~P3: Cities X&Y are within 80 miles~~  
 P3: The closer Y&X the higher Y crime rate  
~~Rule: P1&P2 → Y has high crime rate~~  
**Rule: P1&P2&P3 → Y has high crime rate**

P1: County X has high Ebola infection rate  
 P2: Counties X&Y have same sanitation level  
~~P3: Counties X&Y are within 150 miles~~  
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Inference Rules

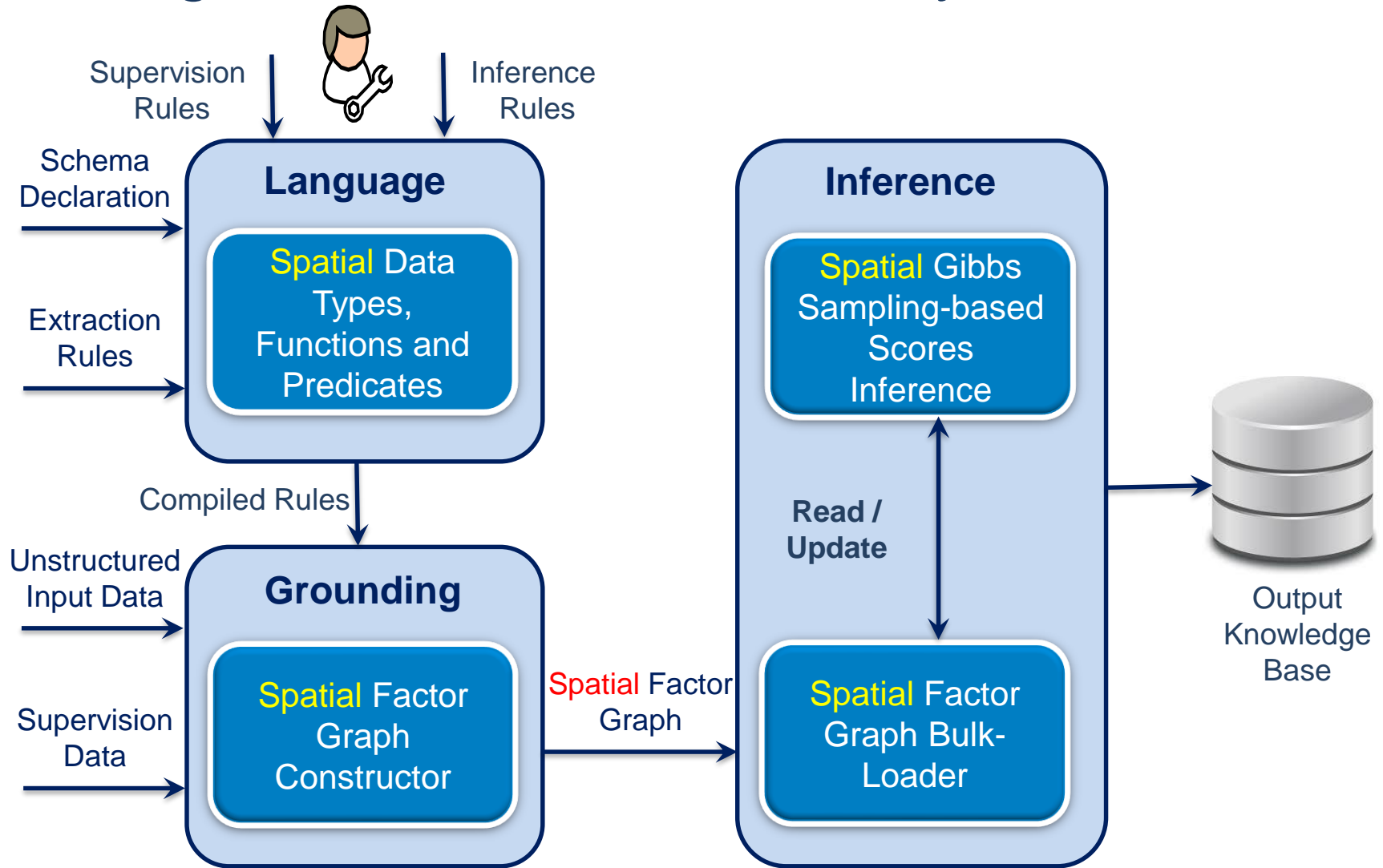


| City      | Confidence           |
|-----------|----------------------|
| St. Paul  | <del>-0.5</del> -0.7 |
| Eagan     | <del>-0.5</del> -0.7 |
| Rochester | <del>-0.5</del> -0   |

| City     | Confidence             |
|----------|------------------------|
| Margibi  | <del>-0.54</del> -0.51 |
| Bong     | <del>-0.52</del> -0.45 |
| Gbarpolu | <del>-0.63</del> -0.06 |

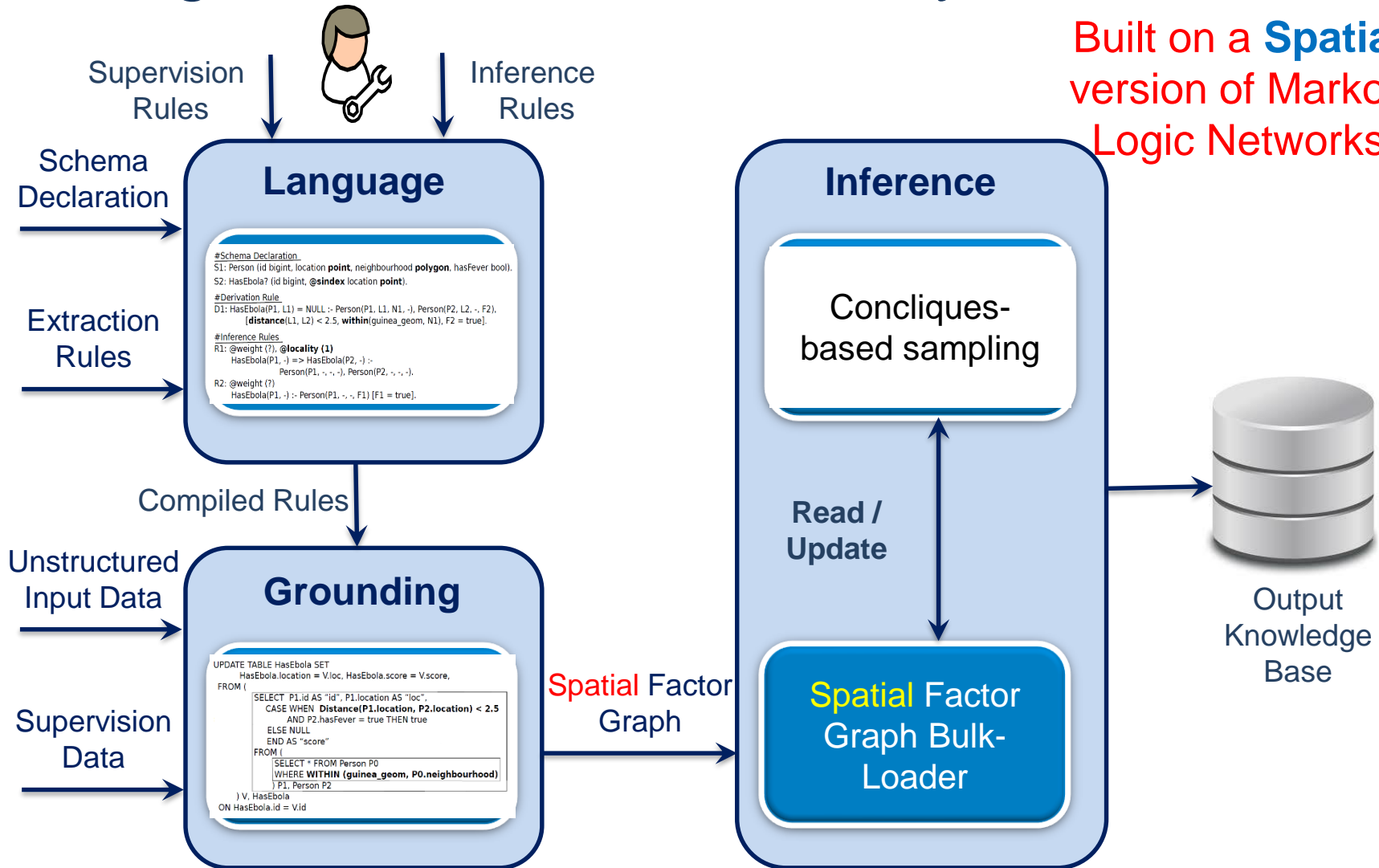
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# From DeepDive to Sya: A Spatially-Aware Knowledge-Based Construction System



# From DeepDive to Sya: A Spatially-Aware Knowledge-Based Construction System

Built on a **Spatial** version of Markov Logic Networks



# Knowledge-Base Construction with Sya

## Crime rates in Minnesota

| City        | C | R   |
|-------------|---|-----|
| Minneapolis | 1 | 0.7 |
| St. Paul    | ? | 0.7 |
| Eagan       | ? | 0.7 |
| Rochester   | ? | 0.7 |

Crimes

Education

Data

## Ebola infection rates in Liberia

| County      | I | S   |
|-------------|---|-----|
| Montserrado | 1 | 0.6 |
| Margibi     | ? | 0.6 |
| Bong        | ? | 0.6 |
| Gbarpolu    | ? | 0.6 |

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Sya

| City      | Confidence      |                 |     |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|
| St. Paul  | <del>-0.5</del> | <del>-0.7</del> | 0.9 |
| Eagan     | <del>-0.5</del> | <del>-0.7</del> | 0.7 |
| Rochester | <del>-0.5</del> | <del>0</del>    | 0.3 |

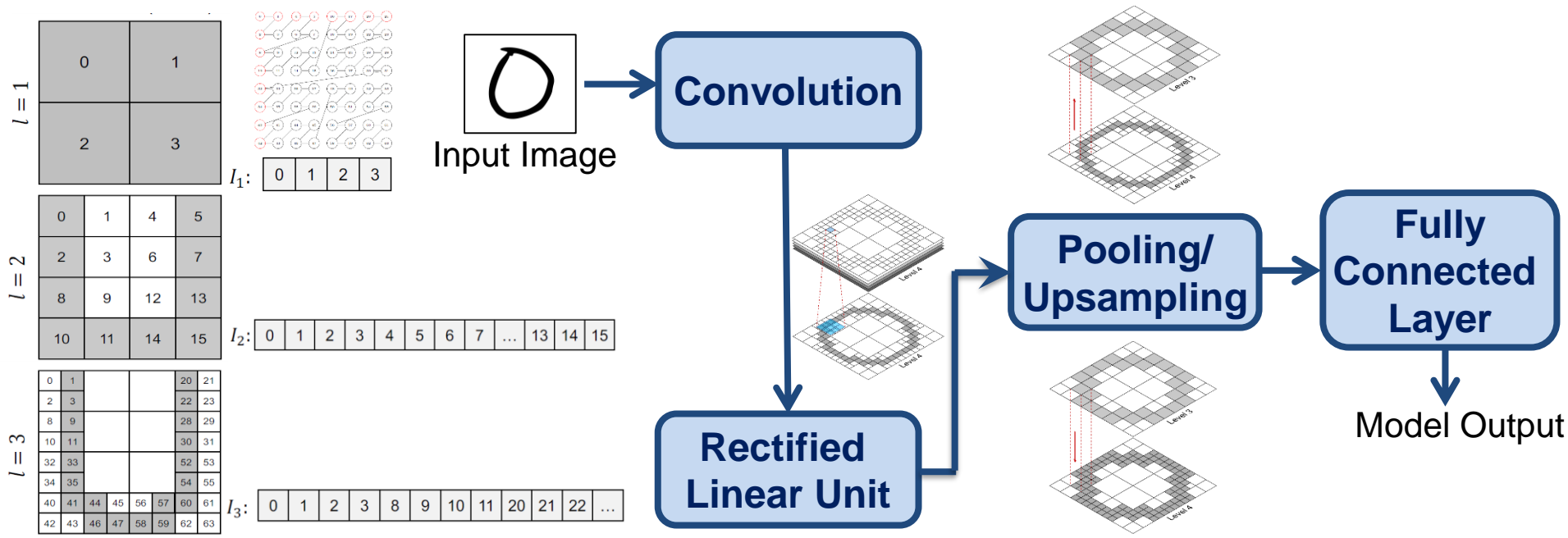
Sya

| City     | Confidence       |                  |      |
|----------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Margibi  | <del>-0.54</del> | <del>-0.54</del> | 0.76 |
| Bong     | <del>-0.52</del> | <del>-0.45</del> | 0.53 |
| Gbarpolu | <del>-0.63</del> | <del>-0.06</del> | 0.22 |

Result

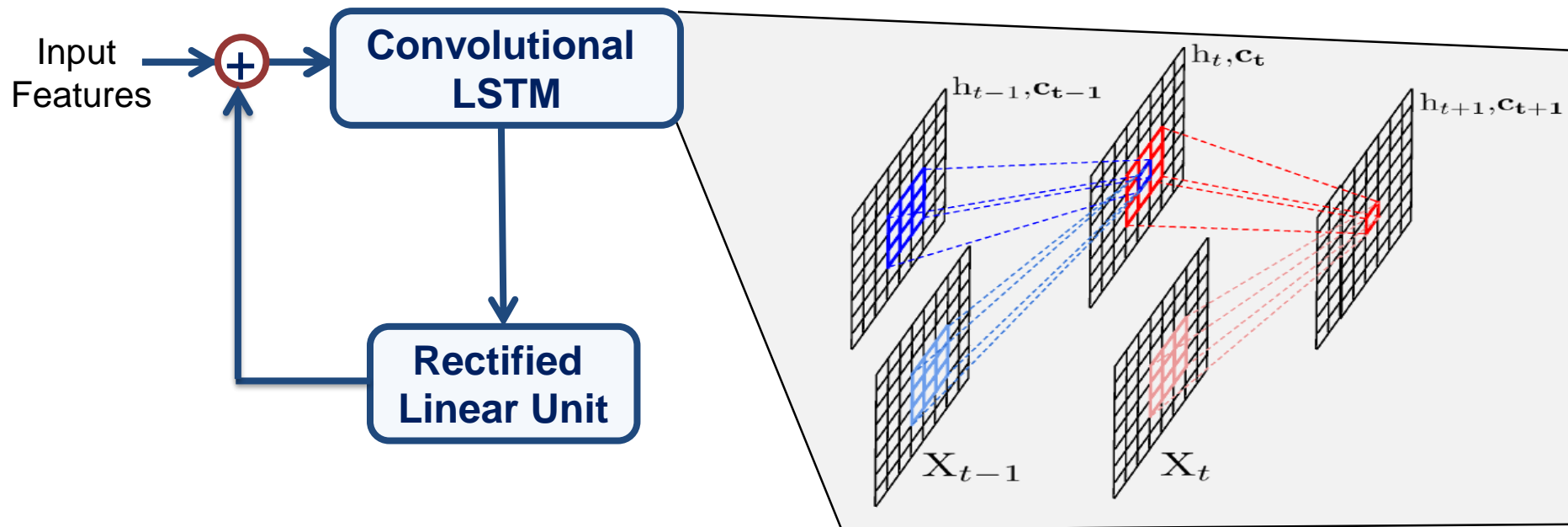
# Spatially-Aware ML-based Image Analysis

- Sparse object detection in images (e.g., OCR)
- Using Quadtree to improve the performance of Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) for sparse datasets (e.g., handwriting)
  - Traditional CNNs are optimized for dense datasets



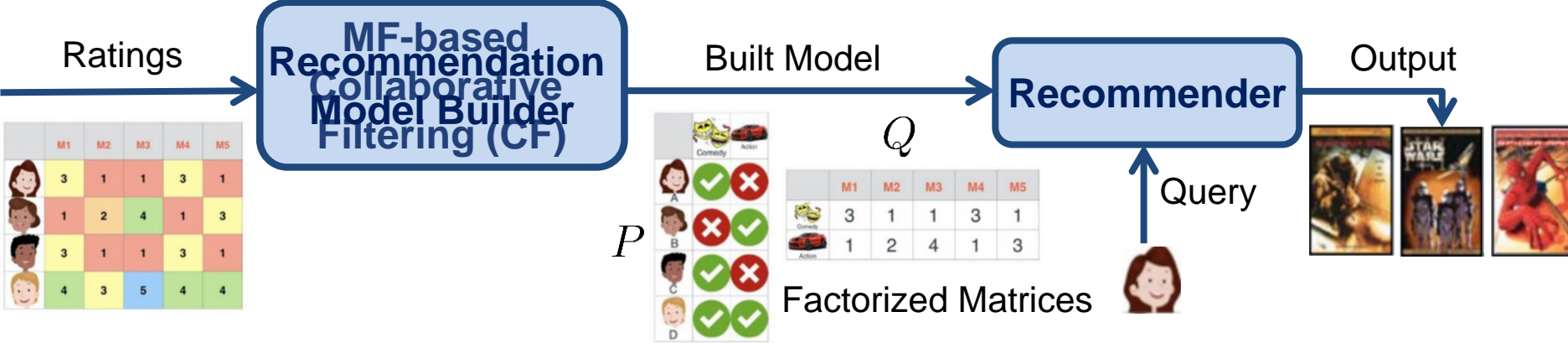
# Spatially-Aware ML-based Event Detection

- Predicting a sequence of spatiotemporal tweet counts
  - Traditional modeling uses Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN) → focuses only on temporal aspect
- Combining the **spatial** convolution with LSTM networks



# Spatially-Aware ML-based Recommender System

- Analyze user behavior to recommend interesting items



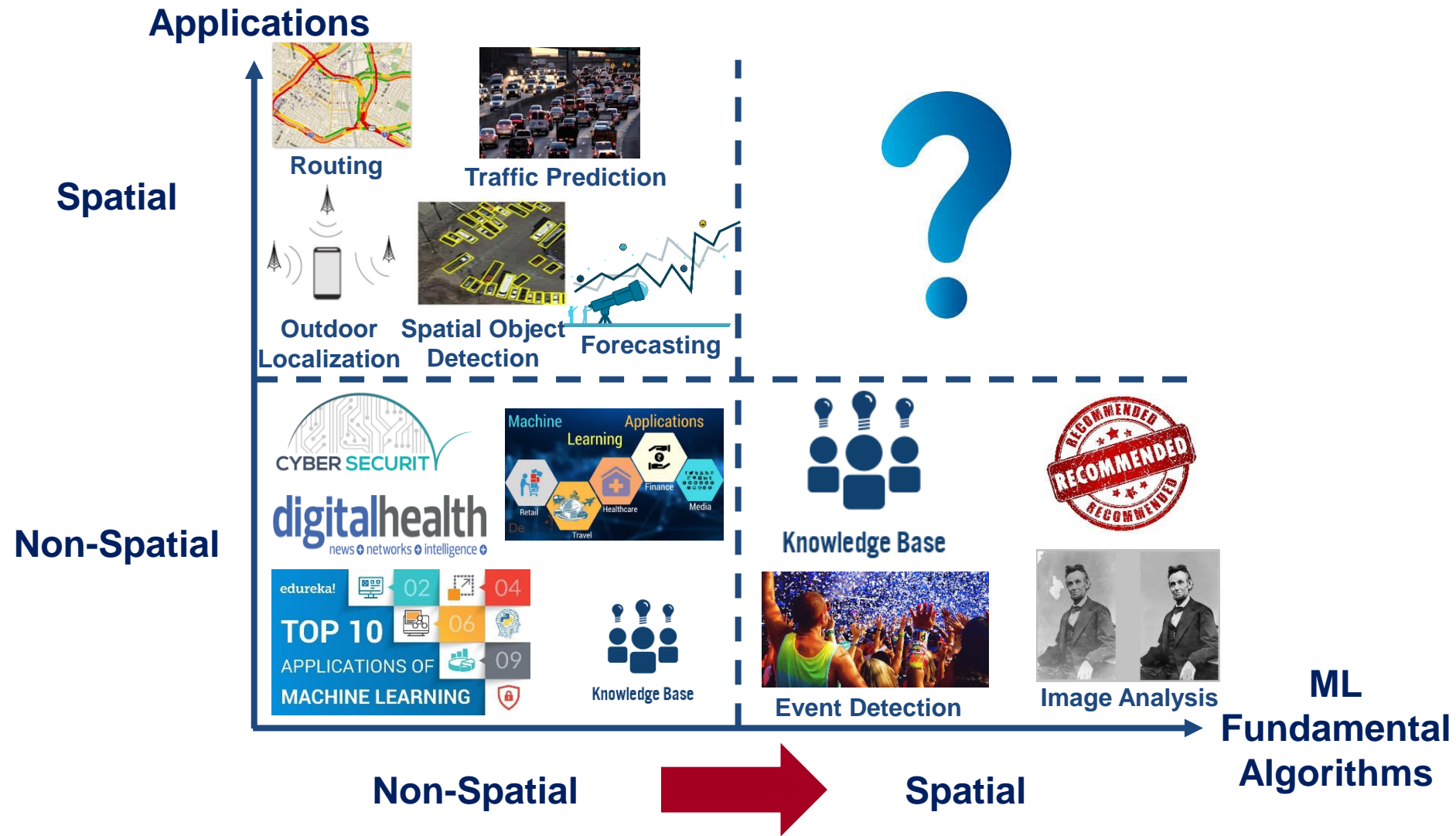
- Spatio-temporal Collaborative Filtering**
  - Exploiting spatial and temporal correlations across users/items

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \| B \odot (R - PQ^T) \|_F^2 + \lambda (\| P \|_F^2 + \| Q \|_F^2) + \sum_{u,v} W_p^{(u,v)} \| p^{(u)} - p^{(v)} \|^2 \\
 & + \sum_{i,j} W_q^{(i,j)} \| q^{(i)} - q^{(j)} \|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Spatial Regularization for Users (points to the first sum term)

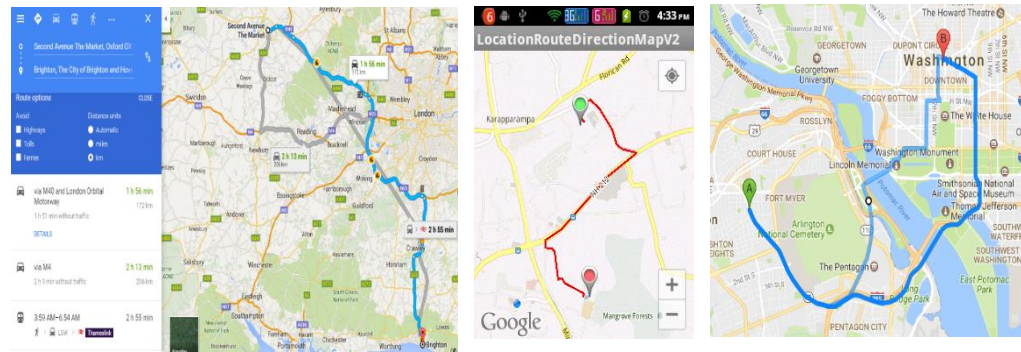
Spatial Regularization for Items (points to the second sum term)

# Machine Learning meets Big Spatial Data





# Routing..

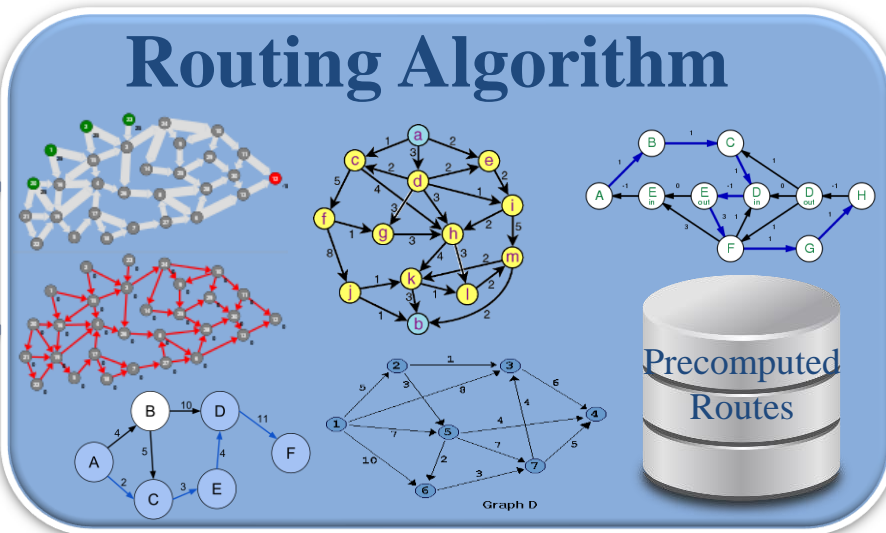


## Routing Algorithm

Source



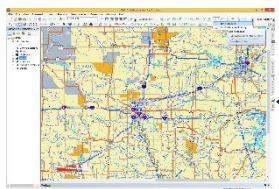
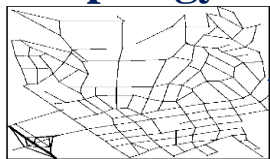
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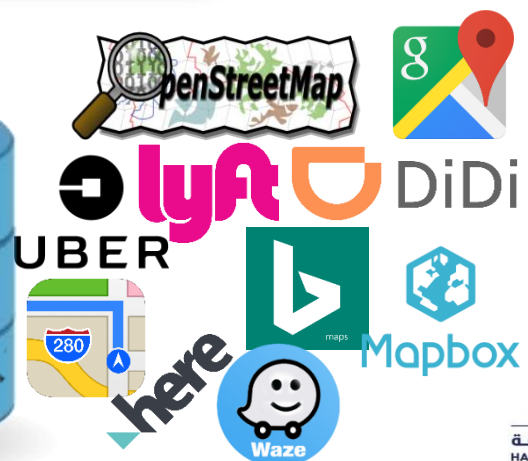
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Topology



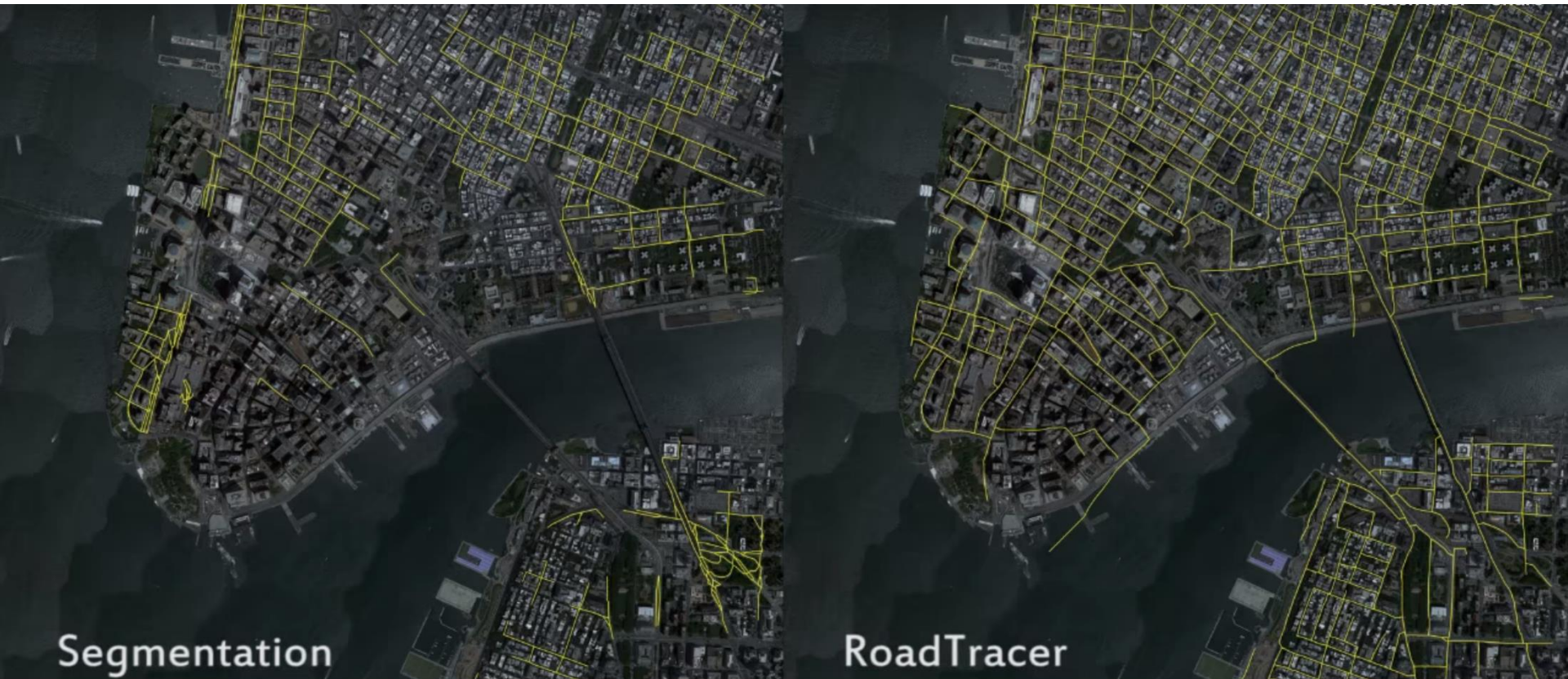
Map



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# ML for Map Making (Topology)

- Automatic construction of road maps from images
  - Incremental route building (point by point)
  - Using Convolution Neural Networks (CNN) to search next point



# ML for Map Making (Topology)

- Facebook AI provides “MapWithAI” to improve open-source mapping (e.g., OpenStreetMaps)
  - Weakly supervised learning from satellite Images using CNN
  - Apps: FB Marketplace, FB Local, and disaster response service



<https://mapwith.ai/>

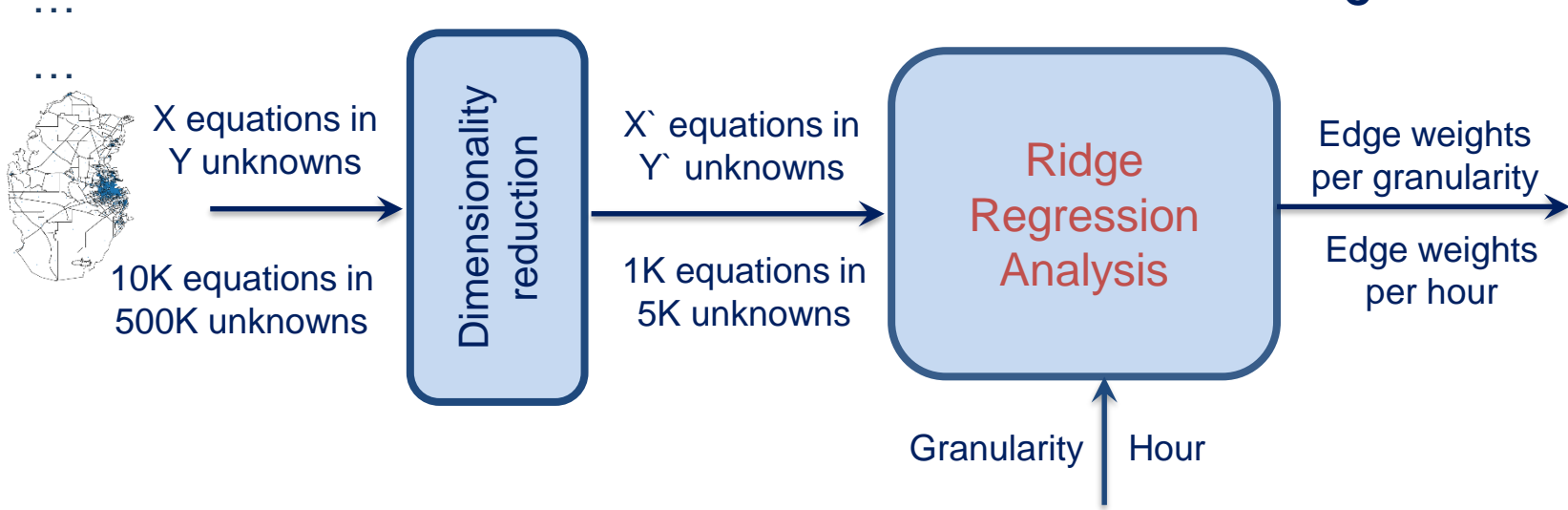
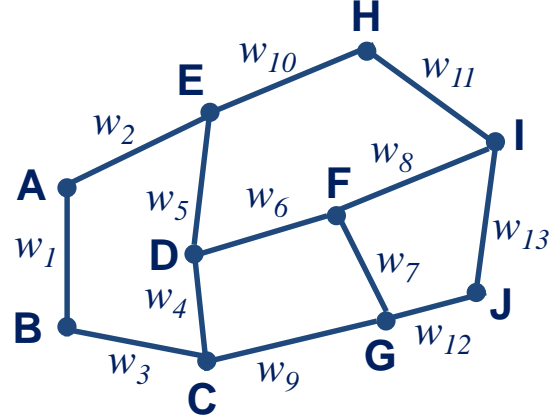
# ML for Map Making (Metadata)

- Learning Edge weights per time granularity (e.g., hour)
- **Input:** Trips (Pickup time/location, Drop off time/location, [Optional ] Path)

(A, F, 15) →  $w_2 + w_5 + w_6 = 15$

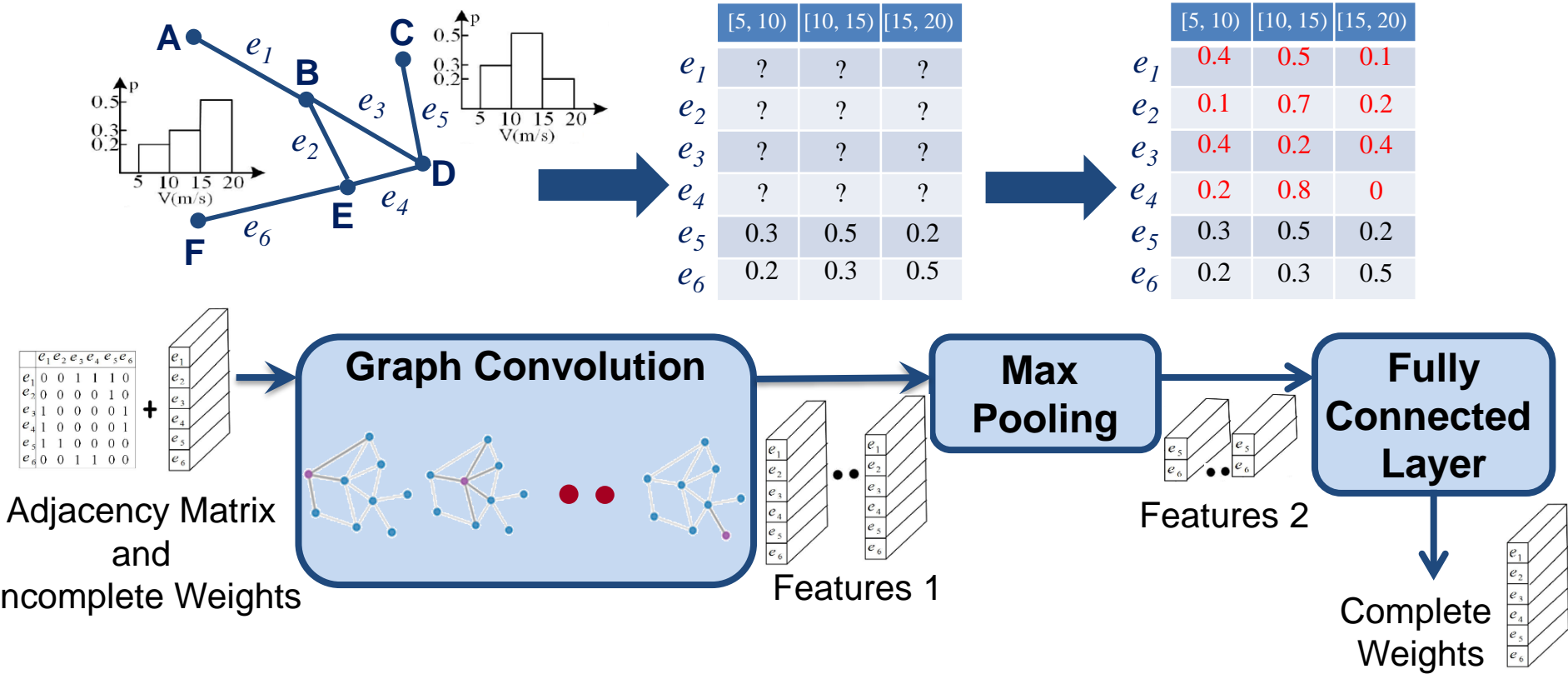
(B, H, 28) →  $w_3 + w_7 + w_8 + w_9 + w_{11} = 28$

(A, I, 19) →  $w_1 + w_3 + w_7 + w_8 + w_9 = 19$



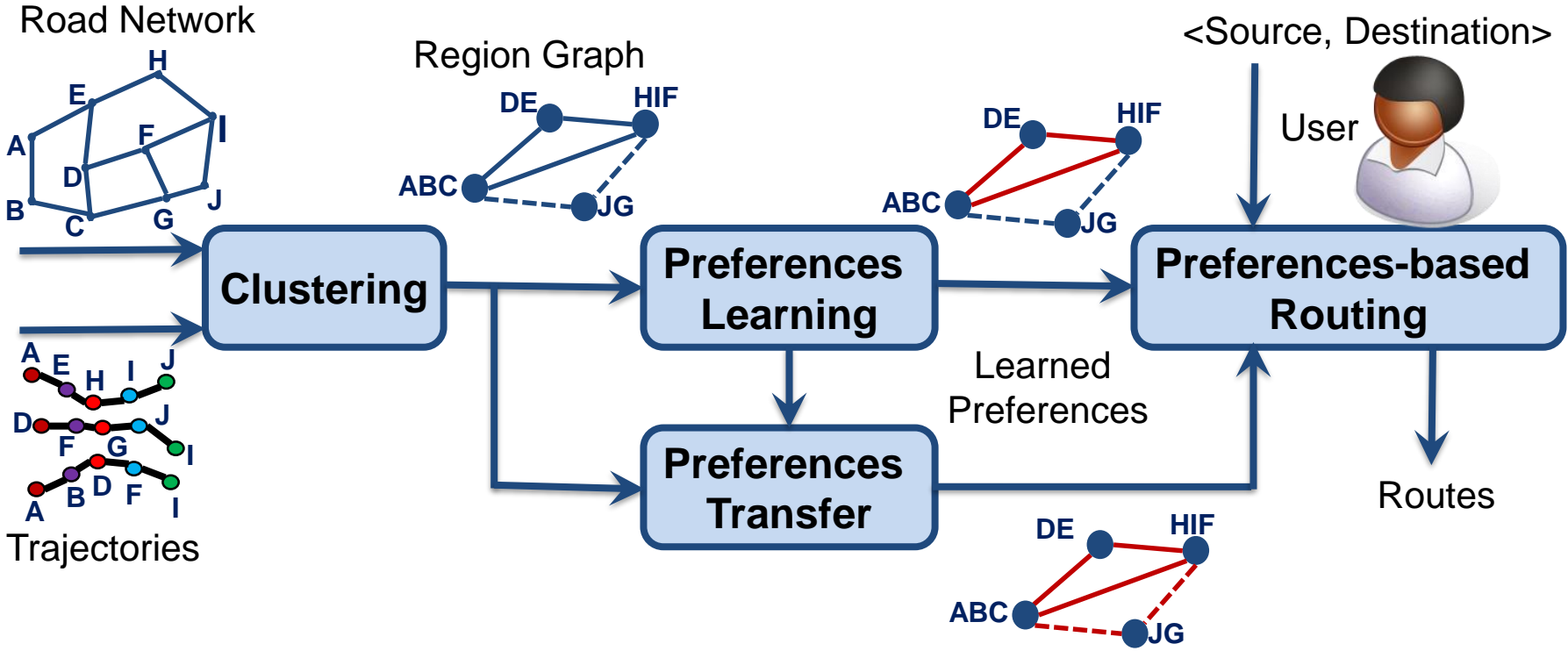
# ML for Map Making (Metadata)

- Input: Speed distribution for certain time granularity

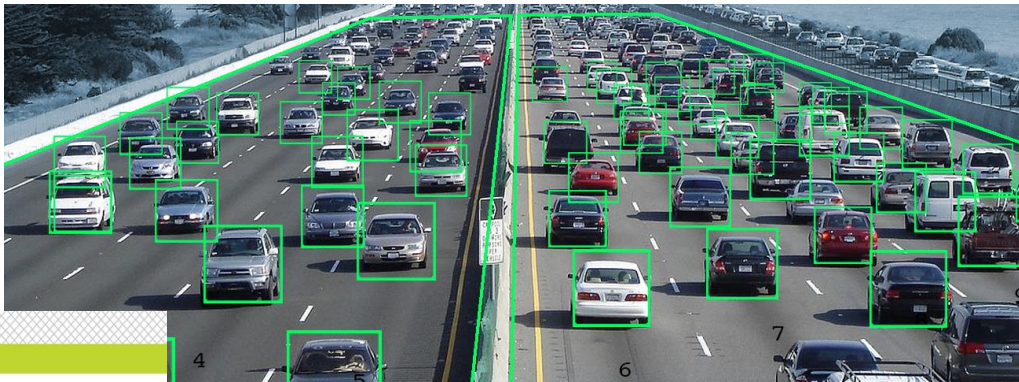


# ML for Routing

- Using available trajectories to learn a better routing
  - A good route is determined by different preferences other than distance (e.g., road condition)
  - Similar trajectories can have similar preferences



# Traffic Monitoring & Prediction



Technology Profile ©

## Real-time traffic management or short-term prediction?



**S**hort-term prediction, decision support systems and predictive modeling: all familiar concepts to experts in transportation, but given the many real-time adaptive traffic management systems, do we really need them?

When it comes to adaptive traffic management systems, the UK market is the world's most saturated. Most cities and towns face high levels of congestion on a daily basis. A well-configured SCOOT system can handle many of the day-to-day challenges facing such networks.

The best investment an authority can make to manage its network and maximize its physical assets through technology is an adaptive system, be it a highway ATMS (advanced traffic management system) or a city-wide adaptive solution. All carry a high cost/benefit ratio, though they are generally restricted to dealing with immediate traffic situations.

In the UK, the Transport Technology Forum suggests that transport congestion, safety and emissions add up to a €100bn a year (US\$130bn) problem.

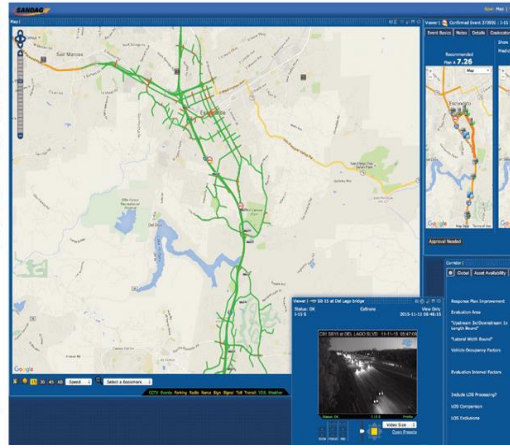
We are all familiar with the frustrations of the daily commute. The problem is magnified when there is an unplanned incident in the network, whether a lane closure, emergency road works, an accident, or even an ITS failure (it does happen). With air-quality policies starting to influence cities' traffic management strategies, congestion rising, and capacity in the network remaining largely the same, timely intervention could well be the measure of success by which road users judge operators.

**Predicting the future**  
This is where predictive decision support systems (DSS) come in, working together and enhancing these real-time systems by looking past the current situation and assessing, analyzing and predicting the

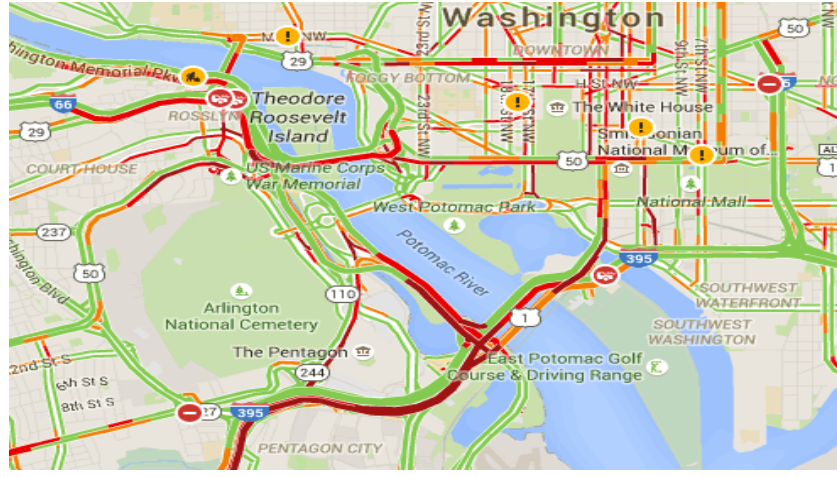


Above: Aimsun Live helps with earlier communication of incident information  
Right: The Aimsun Live user control panel features live feeds and simulations

as traffic signals, ramp meters and message signs.  
At the heart of the DSS is the Aimsun Live modeling package, configured and integrated into the system by the SANDAG



Predicted duration of jam (10min)

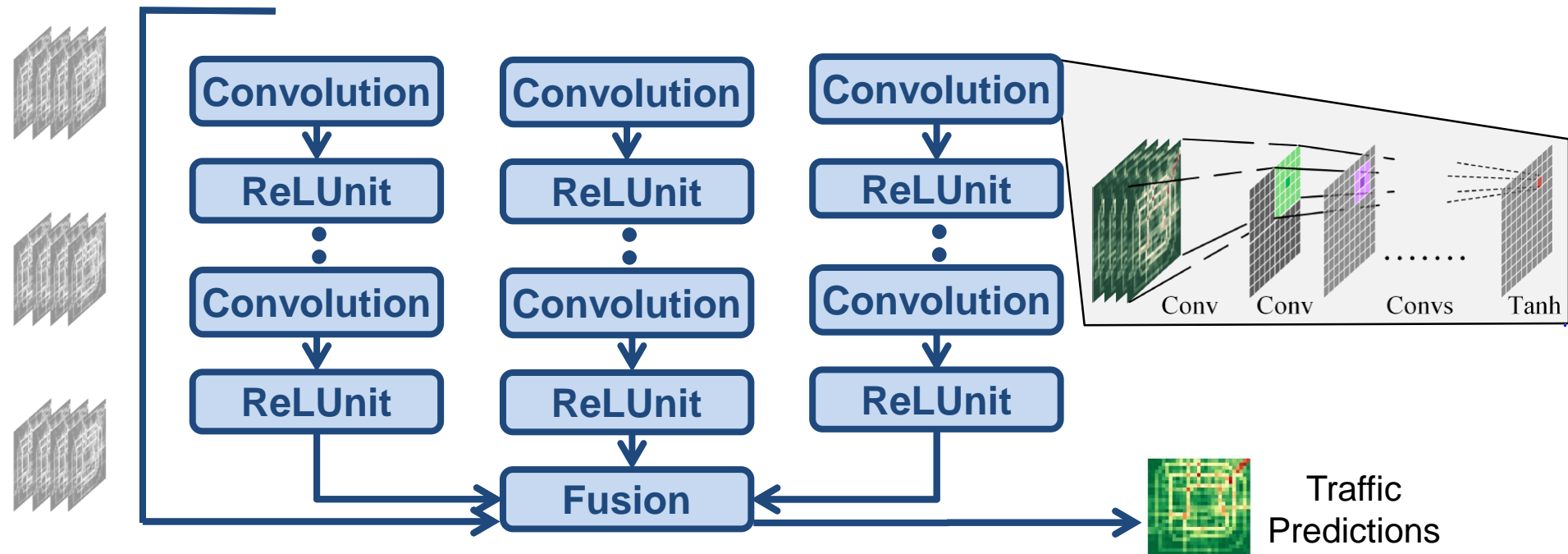


# Need Long-term Traffic Prediction.!!?

# ML for Traffic Prediction: Residual Networks

- Using convolution-based residual networks to handle both *spatial* and *temporal* dependencies
  - Inputs are divided into time spans, then each span is processed with a residual network, and finally all outputs are fused together

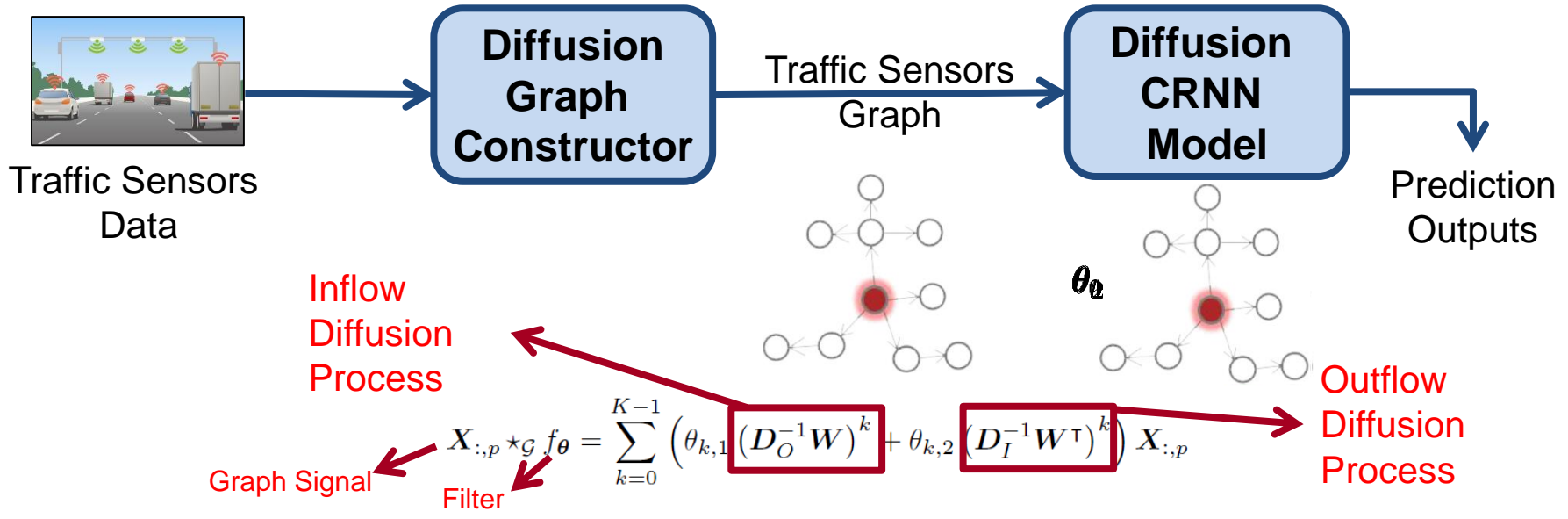
Traffic Maps





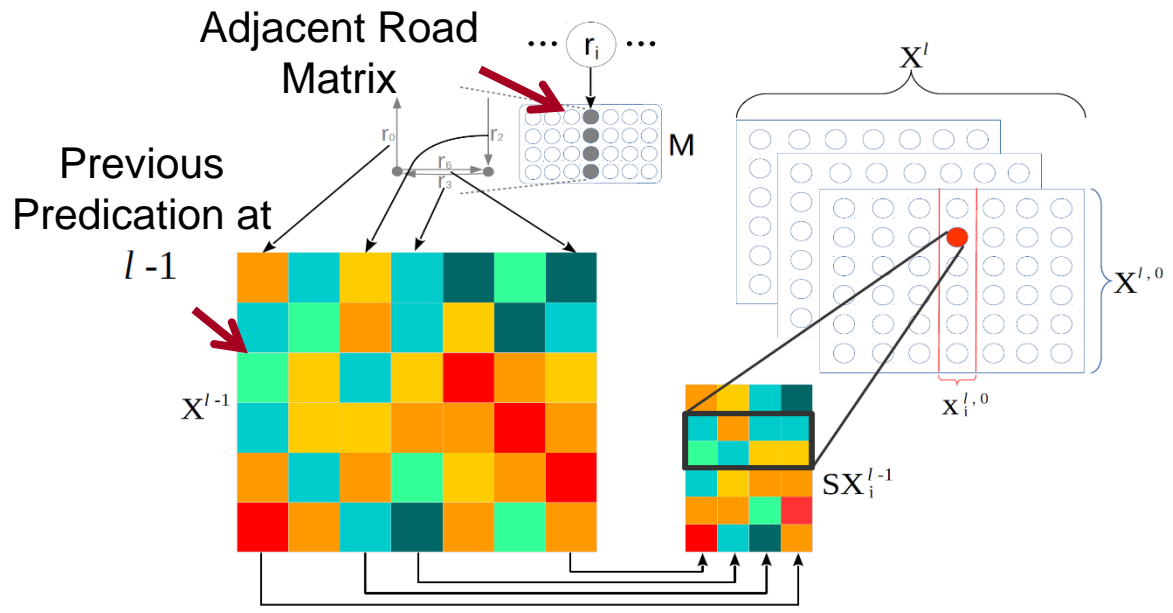
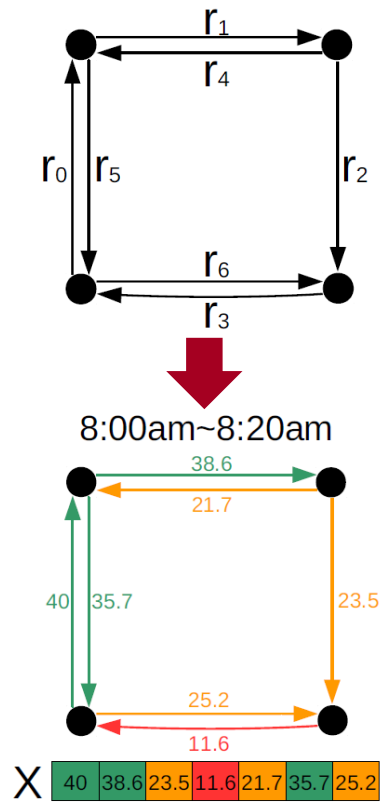
# ML for Traffic Prediction: DCRNN

- Modeling the traffic prediction as a graph problem
  - Traffic sensors are nodes, and edge weights denote spatial proximity among these nodes → capturing spatial correlation
- Employing Diffusion Convolutional RNN (DCRNN)
  - Diffusion processes for *inflow* and *outflow* traffic flows



# ML for Traffic Prediction: GCNN

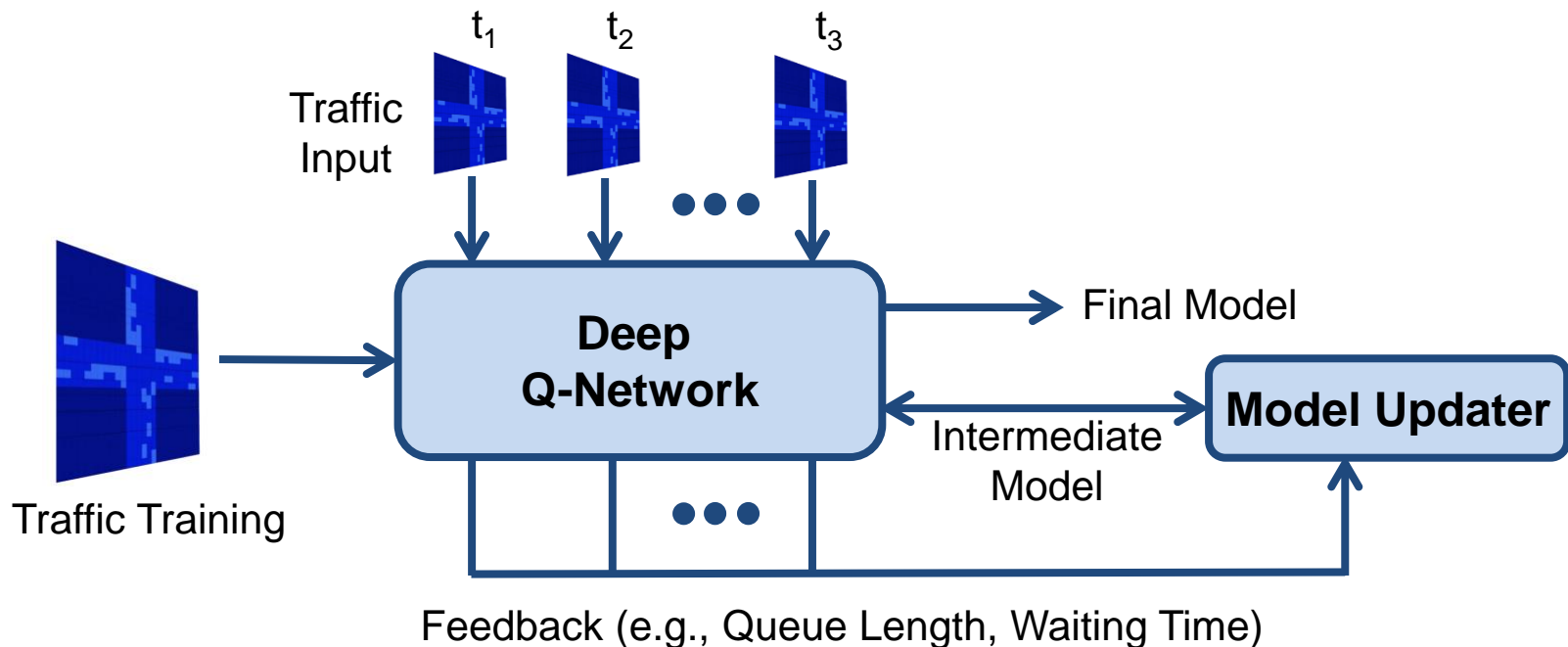
- Using Graph Convolutional Neural Network (GCNN)
  - A novel road network embedded convolution method to learn meaningful spatial and speed features



$$x_{j,i}^{l,k} = \text{relu}\left(\sum_{m=0}^h \sum_{n=0}^A w_{m,n}^{l,k} s x_{j+m,n}^{l-1} + b^{l,k}\right)$$

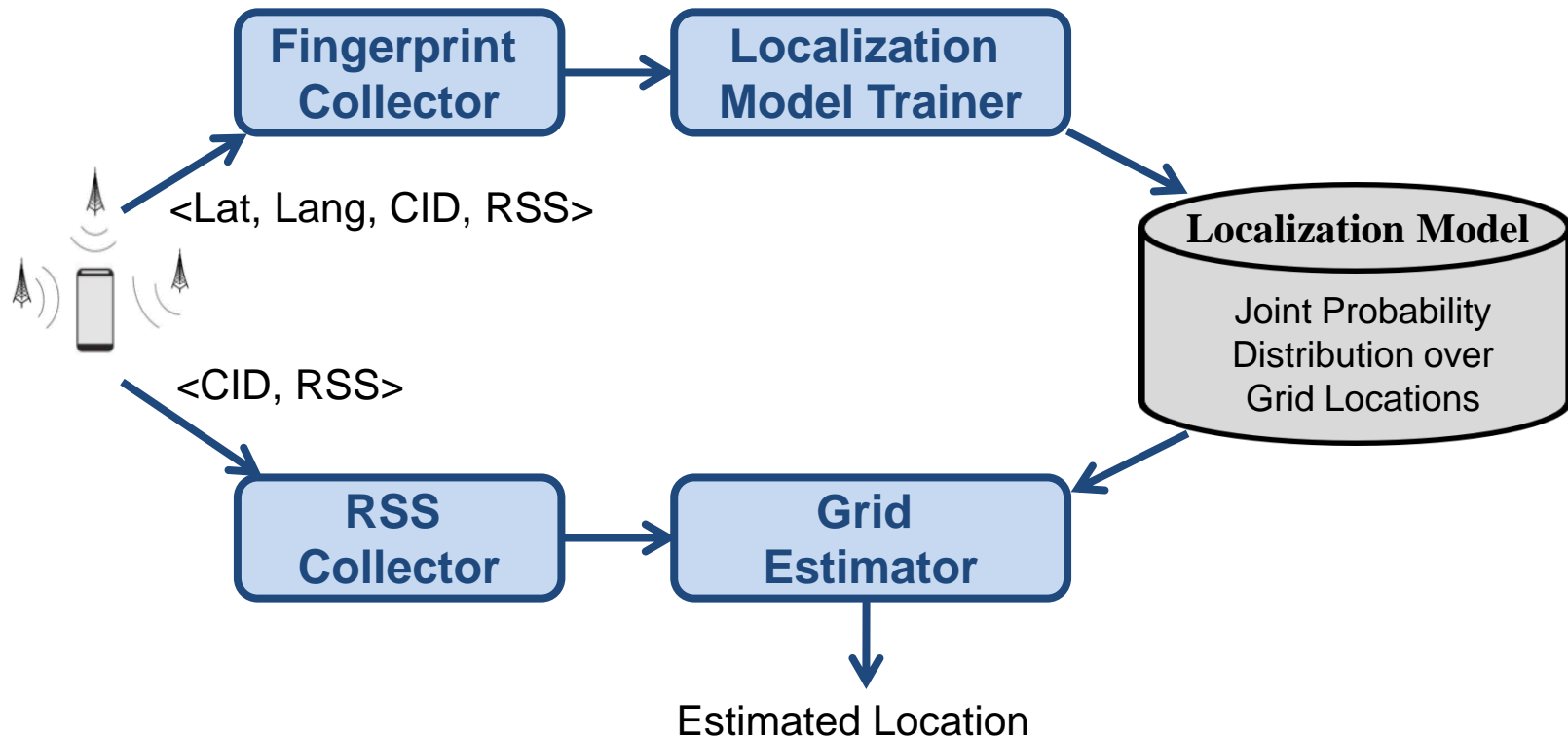
# ML for Traffic Prediction: Reinforcement Learning

- Real-time Traffic Lights Control via Reinforcement Learning
  - Using non-spatial signals (e.g., waiting time) to update the model



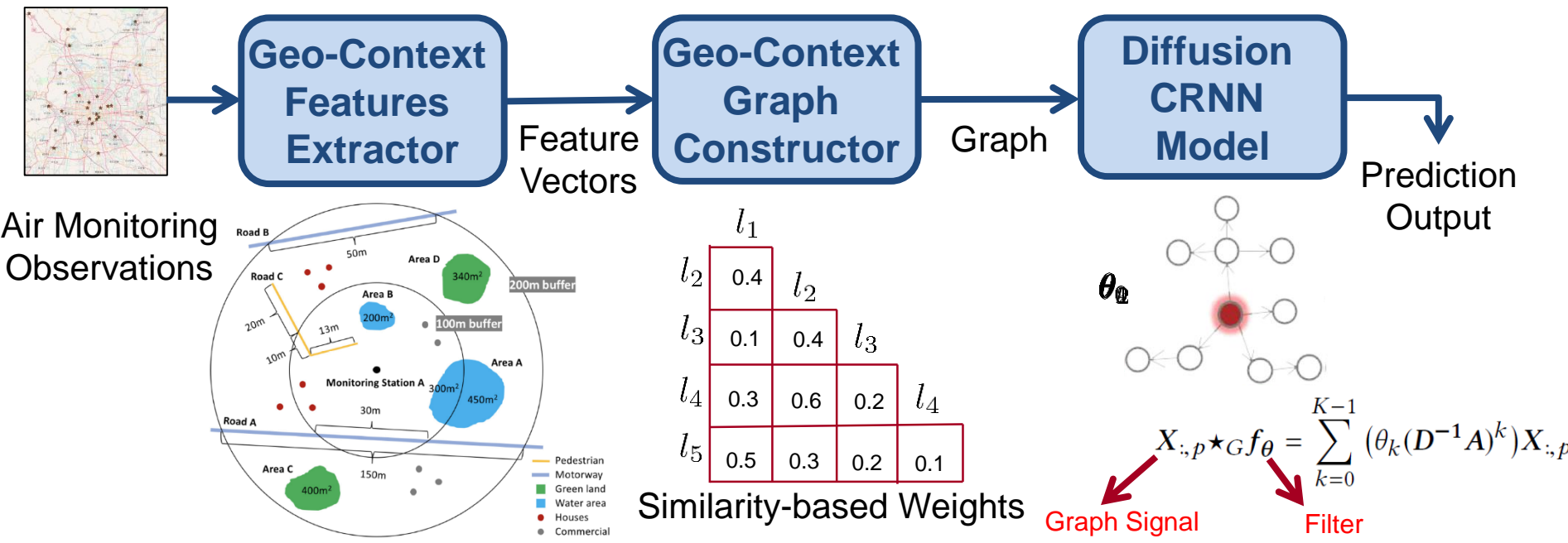
# ML for Outdoor Localization

- Localizing people using their phones and without GPS
  - Fingerprinting using Received Signal Strength from cell towers
  - Having offline (training) and online (tracking) phases



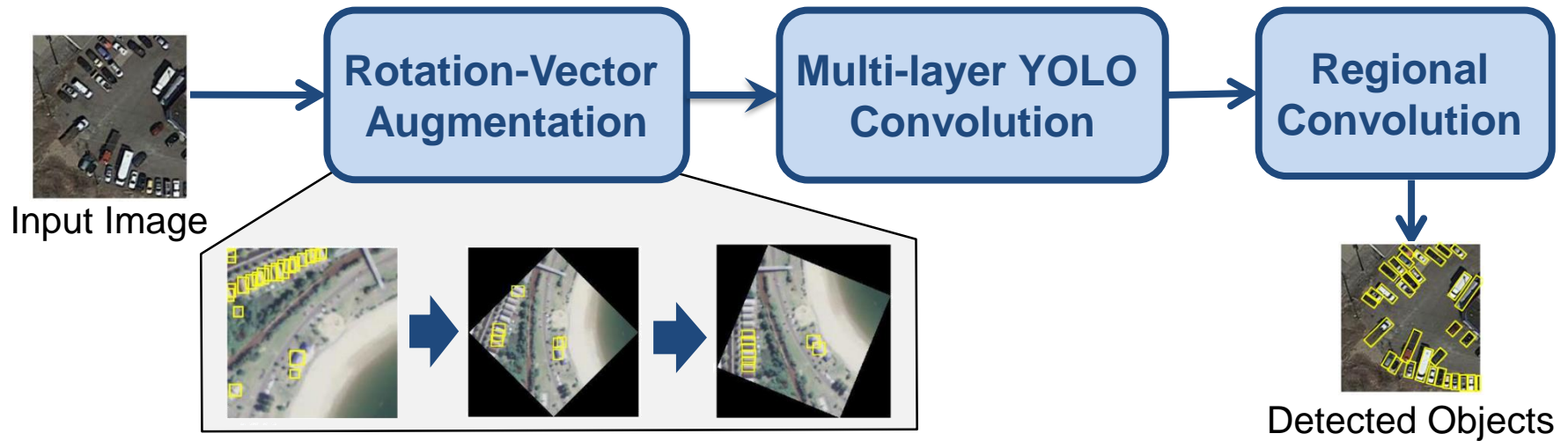
# ML for Air Quality Forecasting

- Prediction at a certain location and within a time period
  - Traditional approach uses a hybrid regression model to *separately* deal with spatial and temporal correlations
  - Using joint spatiotemporal-aware CNN is more efficient
    - Defining more “important” geo-context features than distance

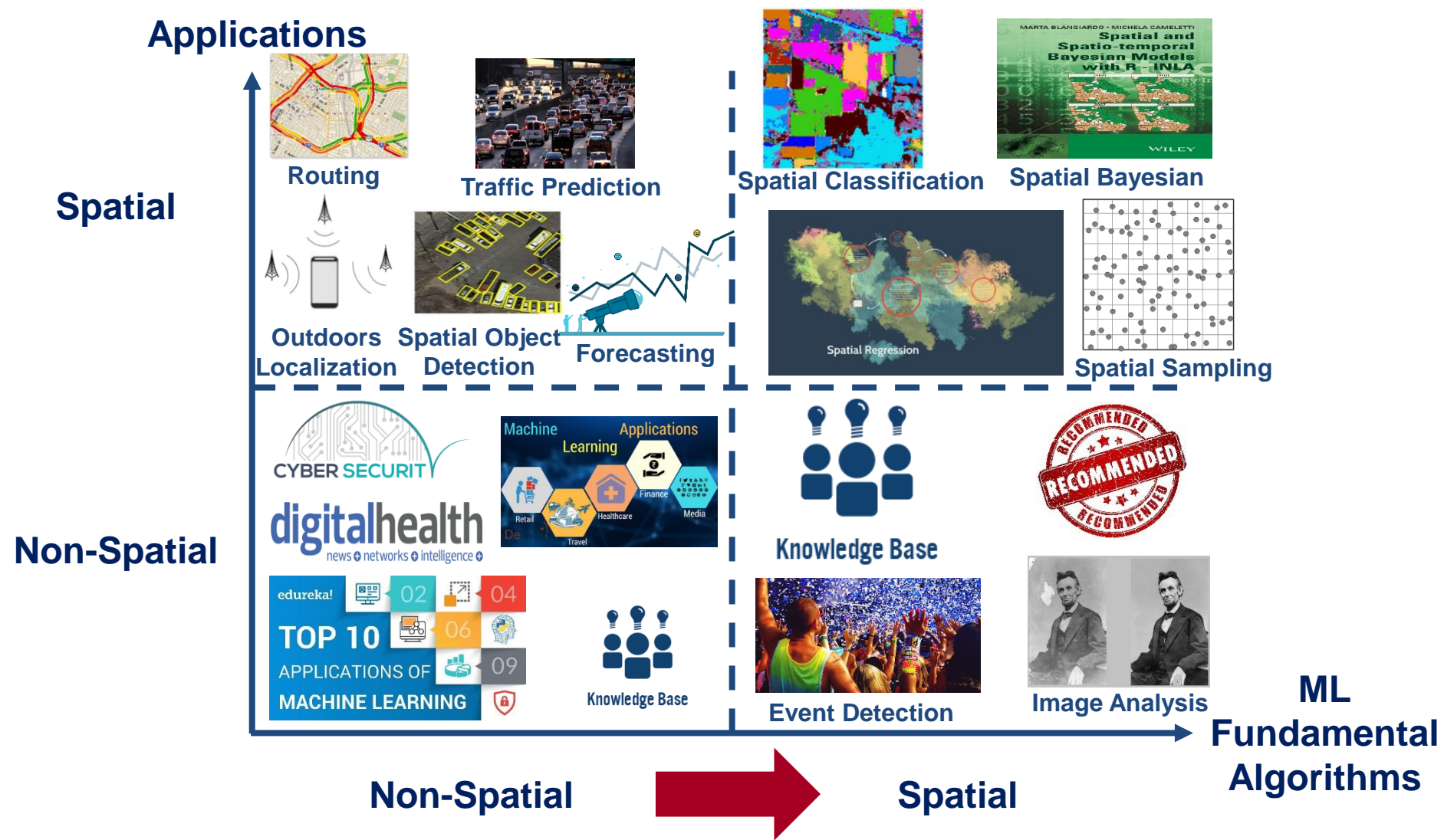


# ML for Geospatial Object Detection

- Detecting geospatial objects (e.g., buildings) from images
  - Challenging as directions are not parallel to the orthogonal axes
  - Existing techniques detect the Minimum Orthogonal Bounding Rectangles (MOBR) of objects only (e.g., YOLO Framework)
- Main idea is to extract features from rotated images
  - No need for new training data with different rotations



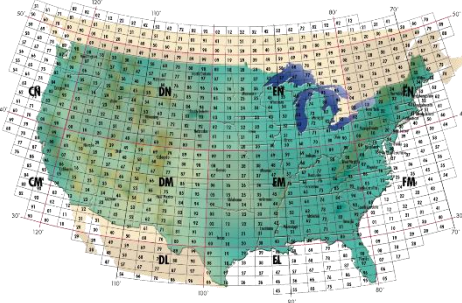
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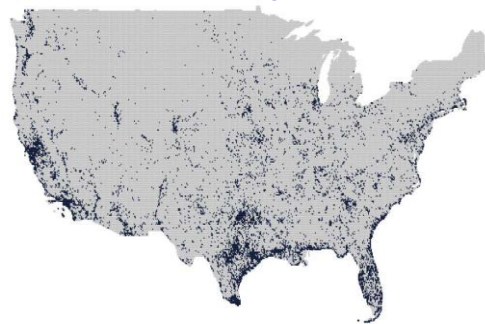
# Spatial (Autologistic) Regression

- Find whether a spatial phenomenon exists or not, **based on** neighbor values and features

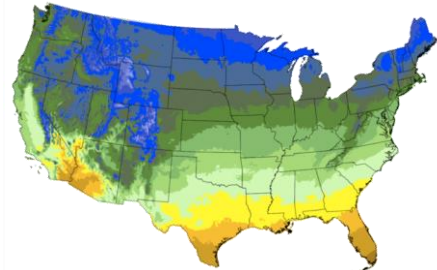
Weather Prediction



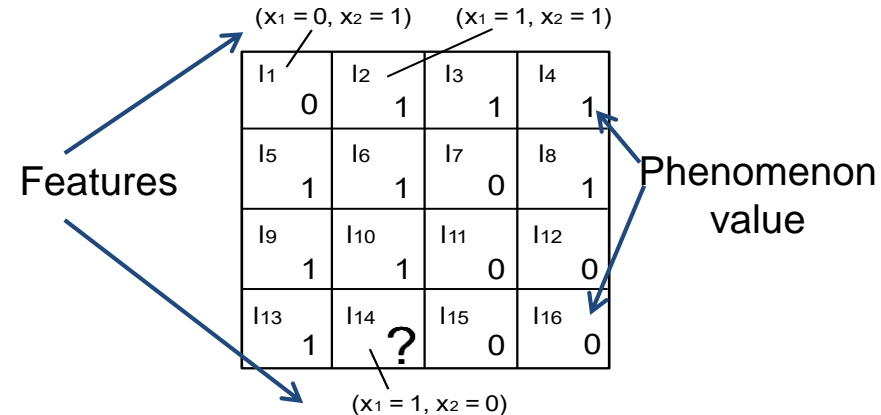
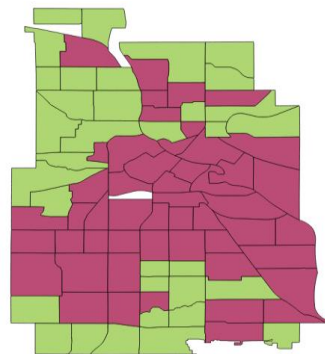
Birds Migration



Land Cover



Crimes Distribution



Missing value

$$\log \frac{Pr(z_i = 1 | \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{N}_i})}{Pr(z_i = 0 | \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{N}_i})} =$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j x_j + \eta \sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_i} z_k$$

Regression Parameters

Learning regression parameters for 80K cells takes more than one day 😞

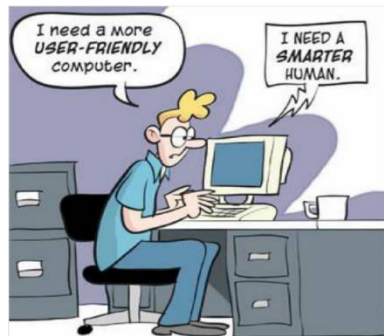


# Markov Logic Networks (MLN)



## Making Deep Learning User-Friendly, Possible?

Eric Feuilletaubeis  
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real business problems. In short, the gap for most companies isn't that machine learning doesn't work, but that they struggle to actually use it.

Need **experts** and **highly-trained** scientists, specially for deep learning

Machine learning — a form of artificial intelligence that uses algorithms and large data sets to derive insights in real time — is way more than hype.

Gartner predicts that by 2018, 45 percent of the fastest-growing companies will have fewer employees than instances of smart machines.

It's clear that machine learning offers companies a competitive advantage, but is it something that small- and medium-sized business can adopt? The algorithms churning the data are often opaque, and things can go wrong, from the humorous (automated email replies that write "I love you" to a

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## Why Do Developers Find It Hard To Learn Machine Learning?

learning, and Internet of Things

the most critical skill of current times. The adoption of ML, is becoming pervasive.

unstructured databases, AI and ML are found everywhere. Industry analysts often refer to AI-driven automation as the job killer. Almost every domain and industry vertical are getting impacted by AI and ML. Platform companies with massive investments in AI research are shipping new tools and frameworks at a rapid pace.

## MLN is an end-to-end ML solution

- Covers wide range of ML problems
- Thousands of lines of ML code can be done in few MLN formulas



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## Can Markov Logic Take Machine Learning to the Next Level?

Alex Woodie

Advances in machine learning, including deep learning, have propelled artificial intelligence (AI) into the public conscience and forced executives to create new business plans based on data. However, the



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## Scalable RDBMS-based MLN System

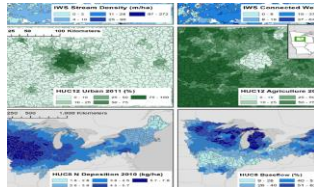


# From MLN to Spatial MLN

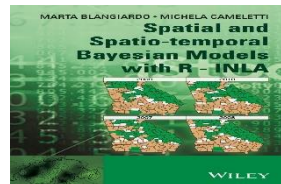
Spatial Regression



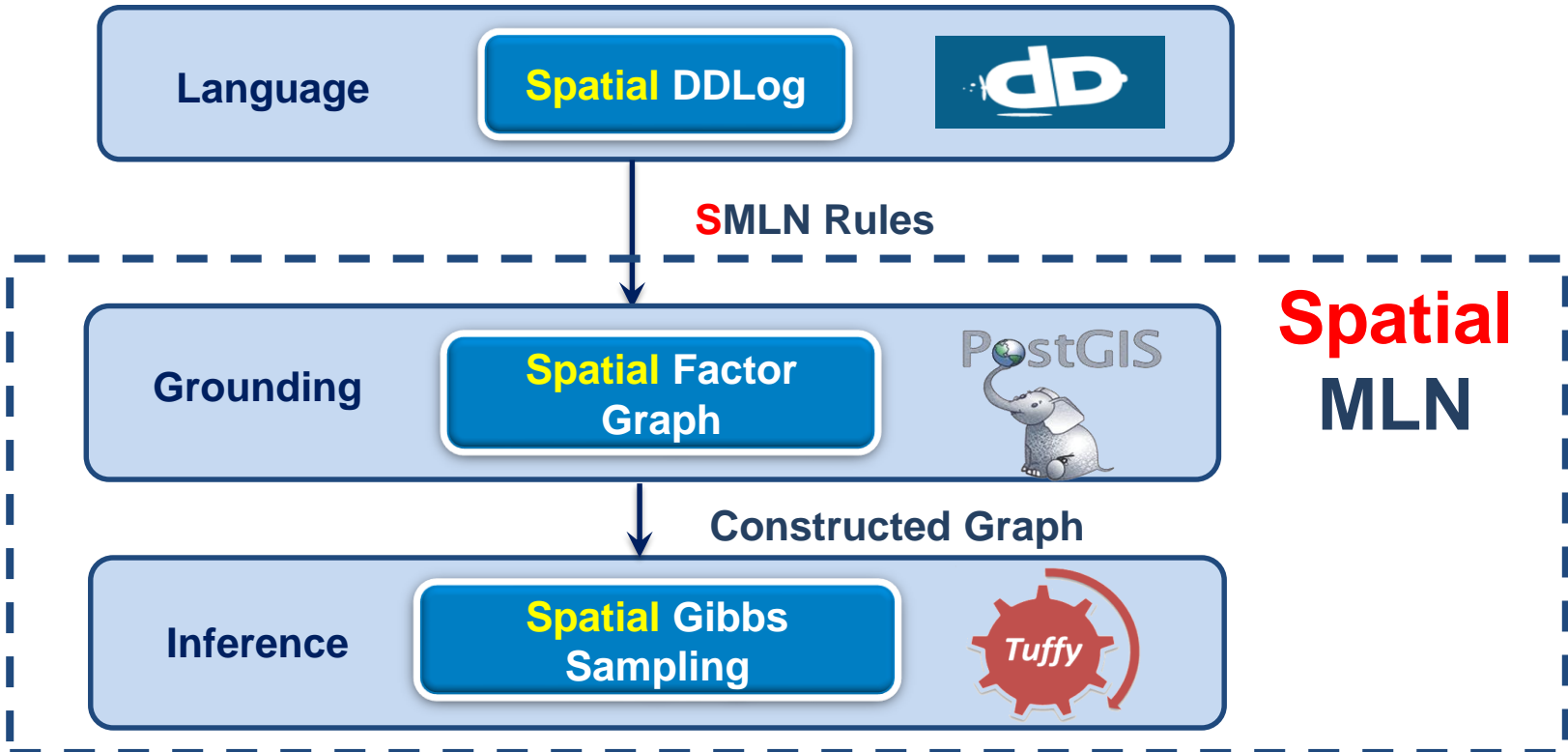
Spatial Classification



Spatial Bayesian Networks

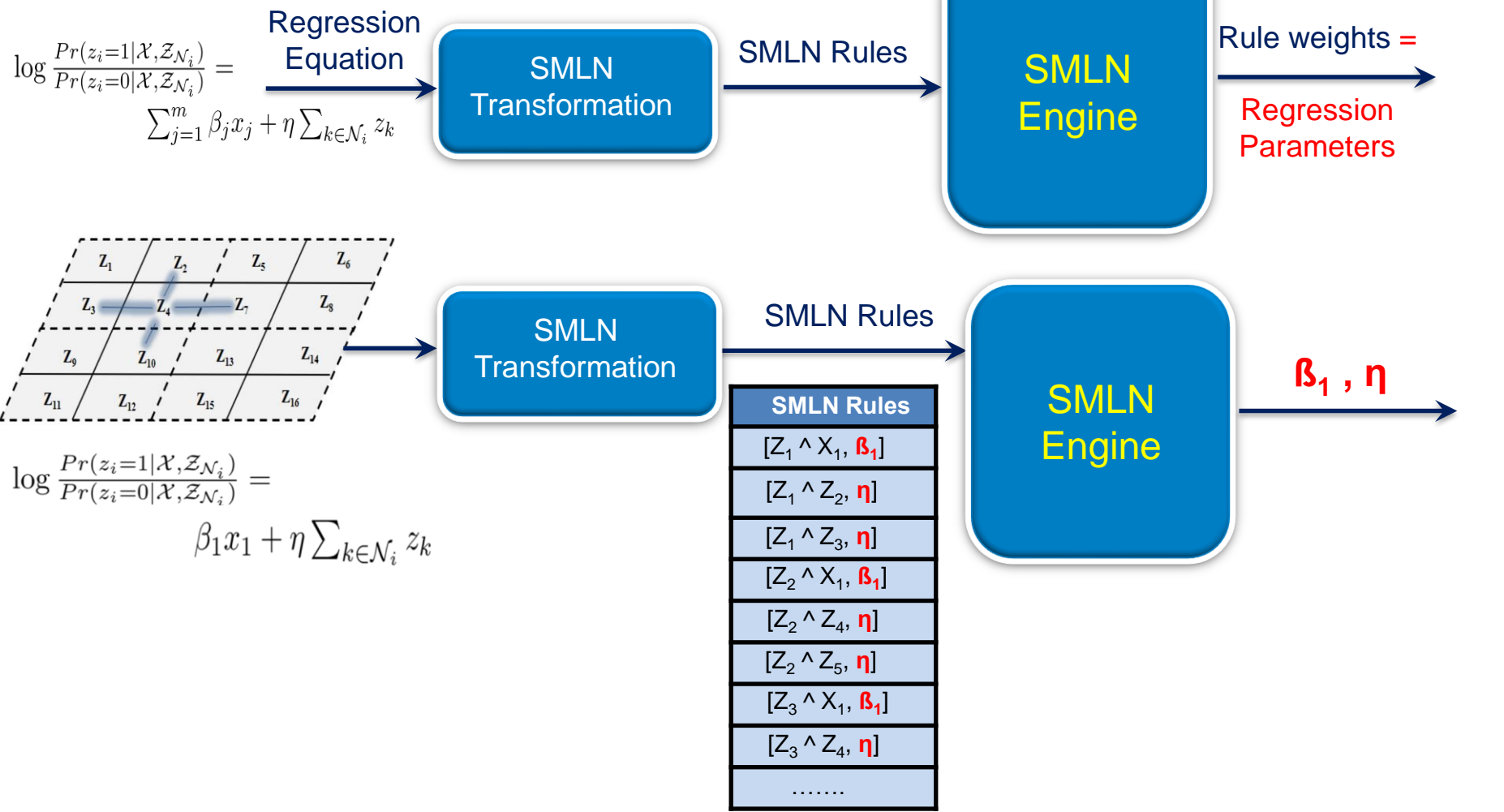


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# Spatial Regression

## as SMLN Problem



# Bayesian Modeling

- Analyzing spatial data for prediction, estimating parameters, and capturing correlations
  - Traditional assumption is Gaussian processes
  - Estimating parameters is a bottleneck in case of big data

$$y = \beta X + \epsilon \longrightarrow \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2 \rho)$$

$y$ : Nx1 Vector of Outcomes  
 $\beta$ : px1 Vector of Slopes  
 $X$ : Nxp Matrix of Features  
 $\sigma^2 \rho$ : NxN Covariance Matrix

- Using Bayesian inference, the joint posterior distribution can be estimated in a closed form

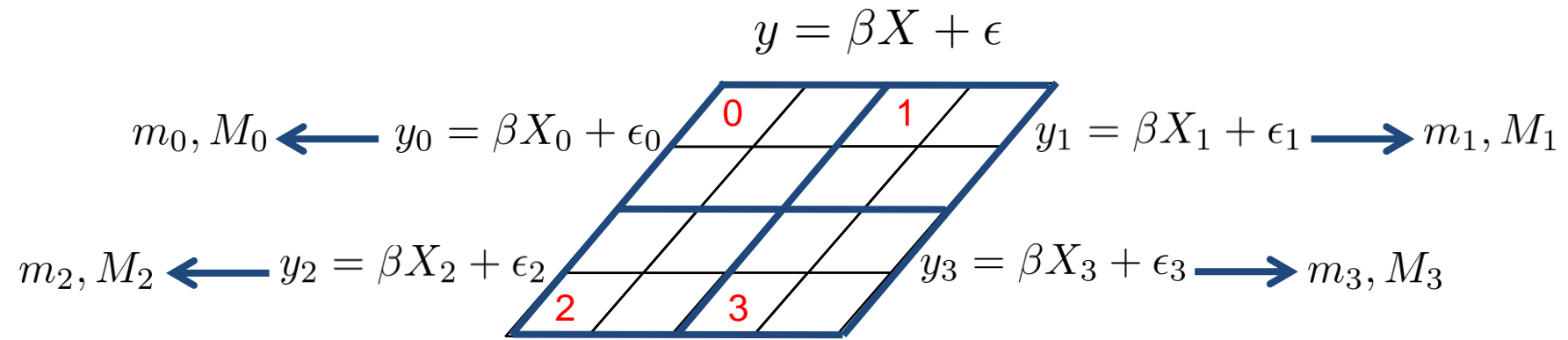
$$p(\beta, \sigma^2 | y) = p(\sigma^2 | y) p(\beta | \sigma^2, y)$$

$p(\sigma^2 | y) \sim \text{InverseGamma}(\sigma^2, c)$   
 $p(\beta | \sigma^2, y) \sim \text{Normal}(\beta | Mm, \sigma^2 M)$

Need to calculate  $c$ ,  $M$ ,  $m$  efficiently on a large scale

# Quadtree-based Bayesian Modeling

- Main Idea: exploiting likelihood decomposition
  - Replacing the joint posterior distribution with a composite one that assumes independence across partitions



$$m = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \left( m_k - \left(1 - \frac{1}{K}\right) C_\beta \right)$$

$$M^{-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \left( M_k^{-1} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{K}\right) H_\beta \right)$$



Calculate C based on  $m$  and  $M$   
using a closed form

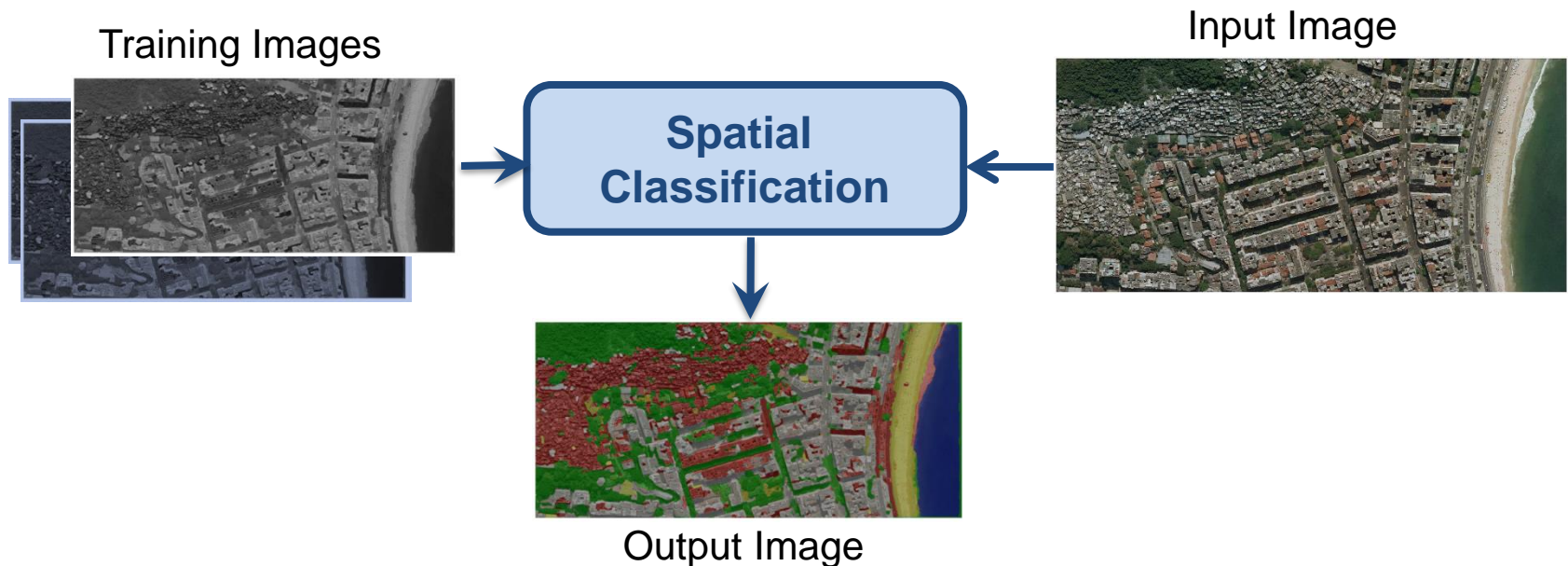
# Spatial Classification

## ■ Input

- ❑ Training images labeled with pre-defined spatial classes
- ❑ Unknown image

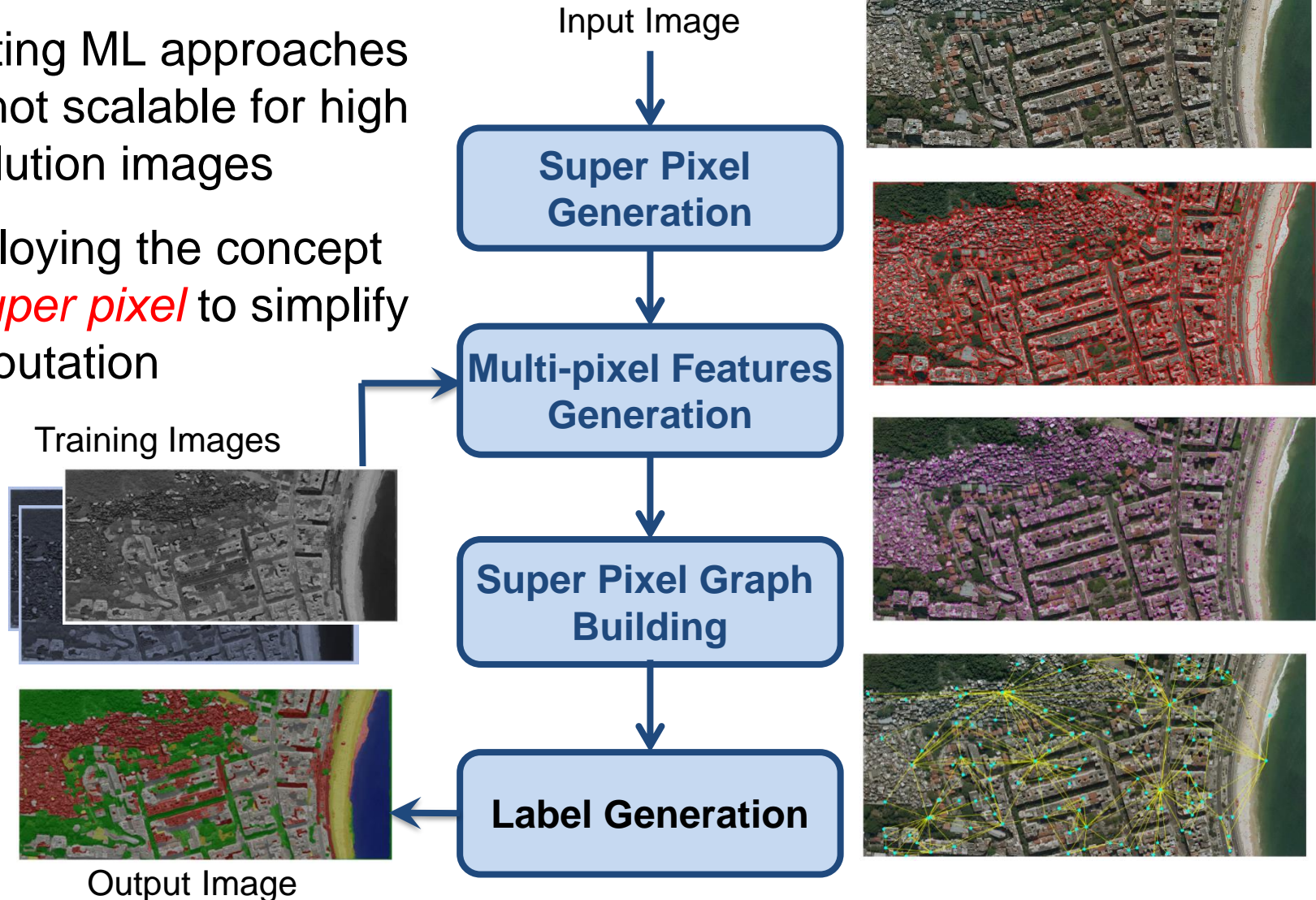
## ■ Output

- ❑ The same input image, yet, labeled with one or more of the spatial classes



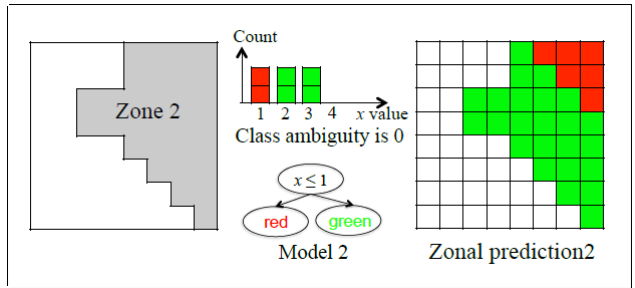
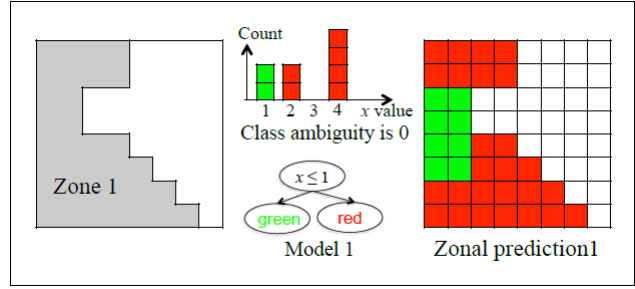
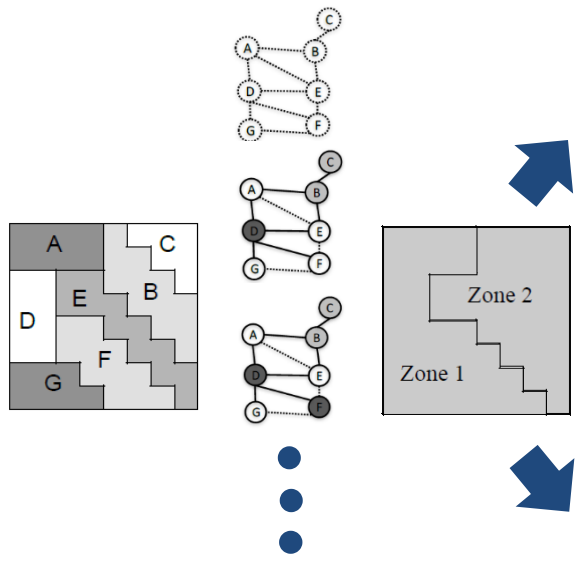
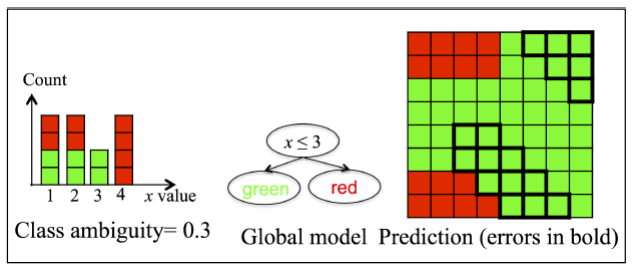
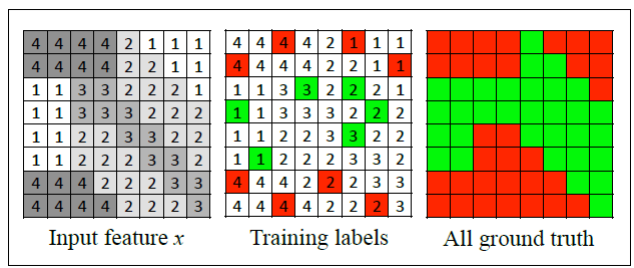
# Scalable ML-based Spatial Classification

- Existing ML approaches are not scalable for high resolution images
- Employing the concept of *super pixel* to simplify computation



# Ensemble Learning Spatial Classification

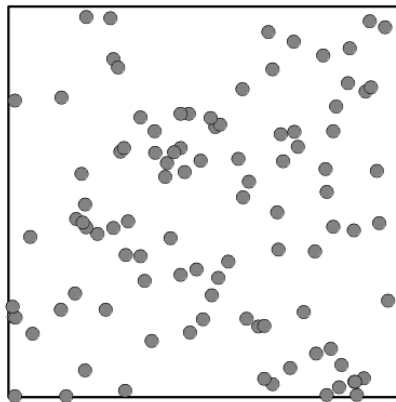
- Efficient classification over heterogonous spatial data
  - Class ambiguity: same feature values belong to different classes in different locations
- Learn ensembles on spatial neighborhoods in parallel
  - Global models have higher error rates and are much slower



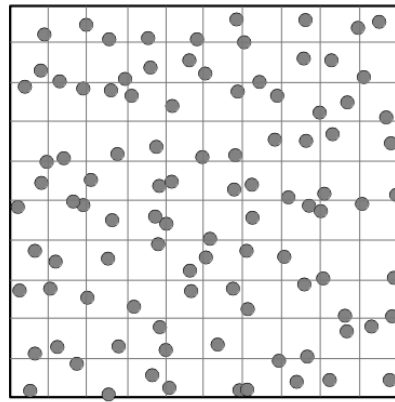


# Spatial Sampling

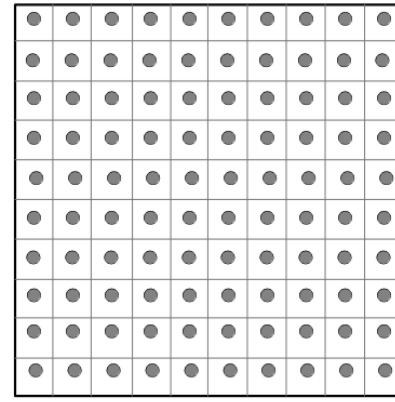
- Collecting representative samples in a 2-D framework
  - Could have a second-phase to reduce errors in initial samples



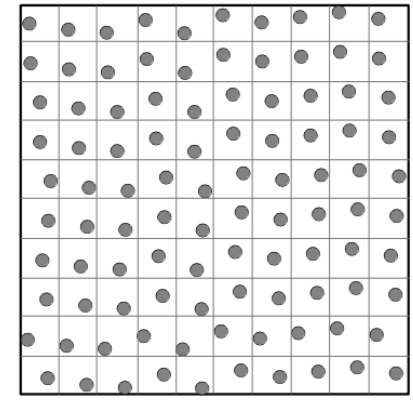
Random



Stratified Random



Systematic

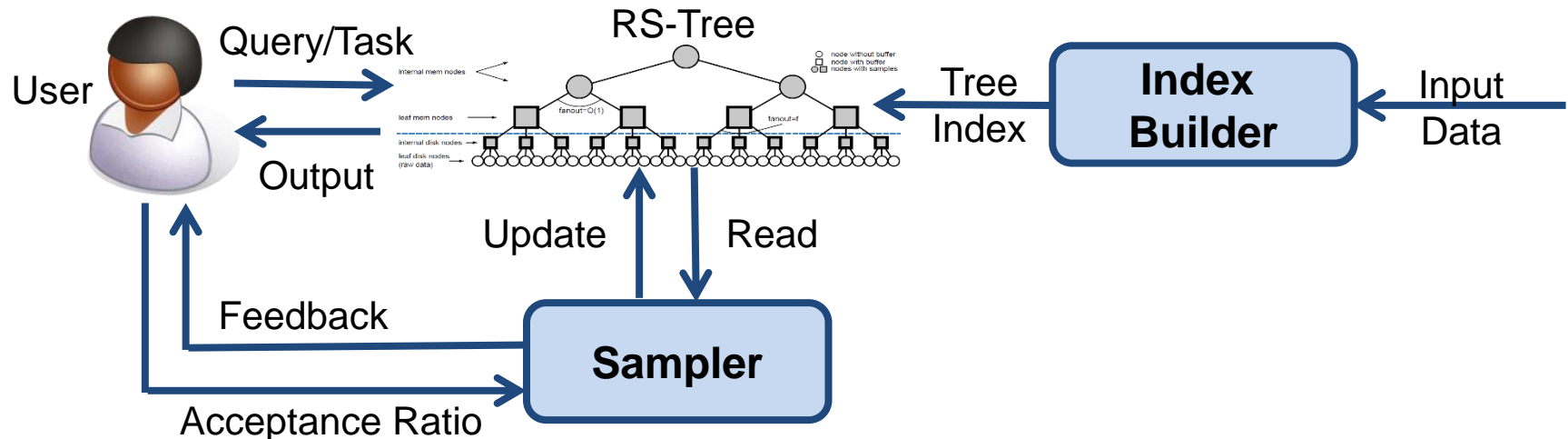


Systematic Unaligned

- Spatial sampling is more challenging with “big” data
  - Can be easily dragged to “biased” sampling
  - Exploiting ML to learn more “accurate” spatial samples

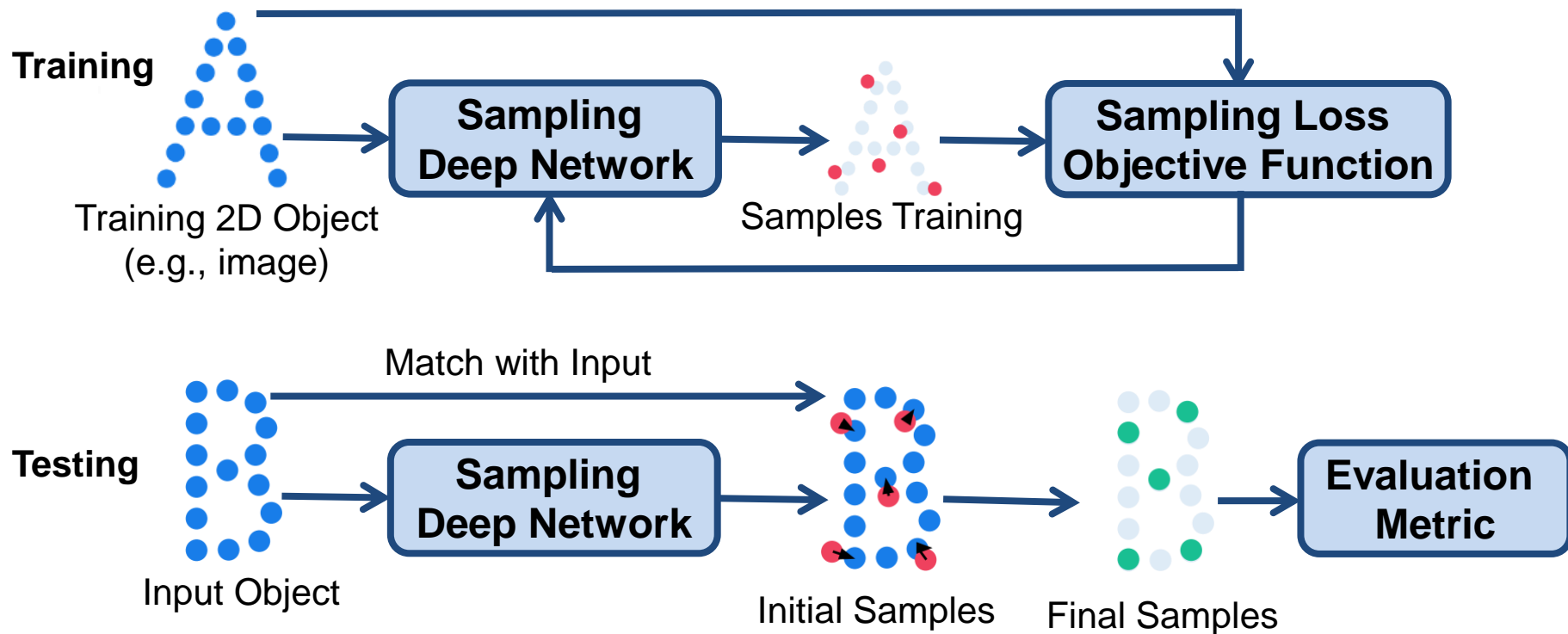
# ML-based Incremental Spatial Sampling

- No need to wait for the whole sampling to be done
  - Iterative sampling iterations with feedback from users
- The main idea is “level sampling”
  - Embedding samples into indexing structures (e.g., R-tree)
  - **Lazy exploration** for efficient processing
    - Visiting the children of any cell only after its sample buffer is exhausted (either consumed or rejected)

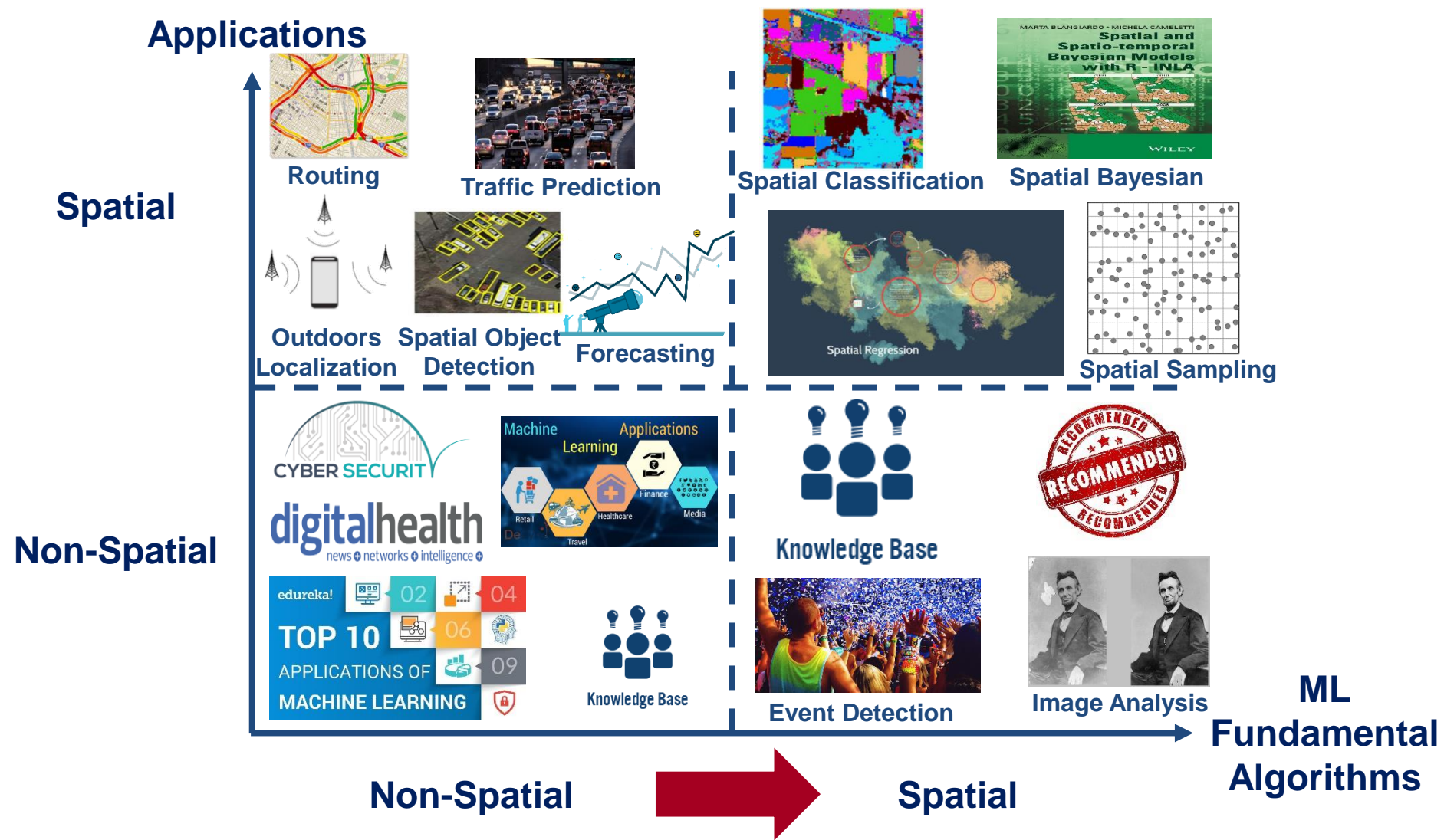


# Deep Learning-based Spatial Sampling

- Exploiting deep learning to learn spatial samples
  - Training: a deep network is trained to preserve the original shape
  - Testing: generated samples are matched with the input to estimate the error for feedback



# Machine Learning meets Big Spatial Data



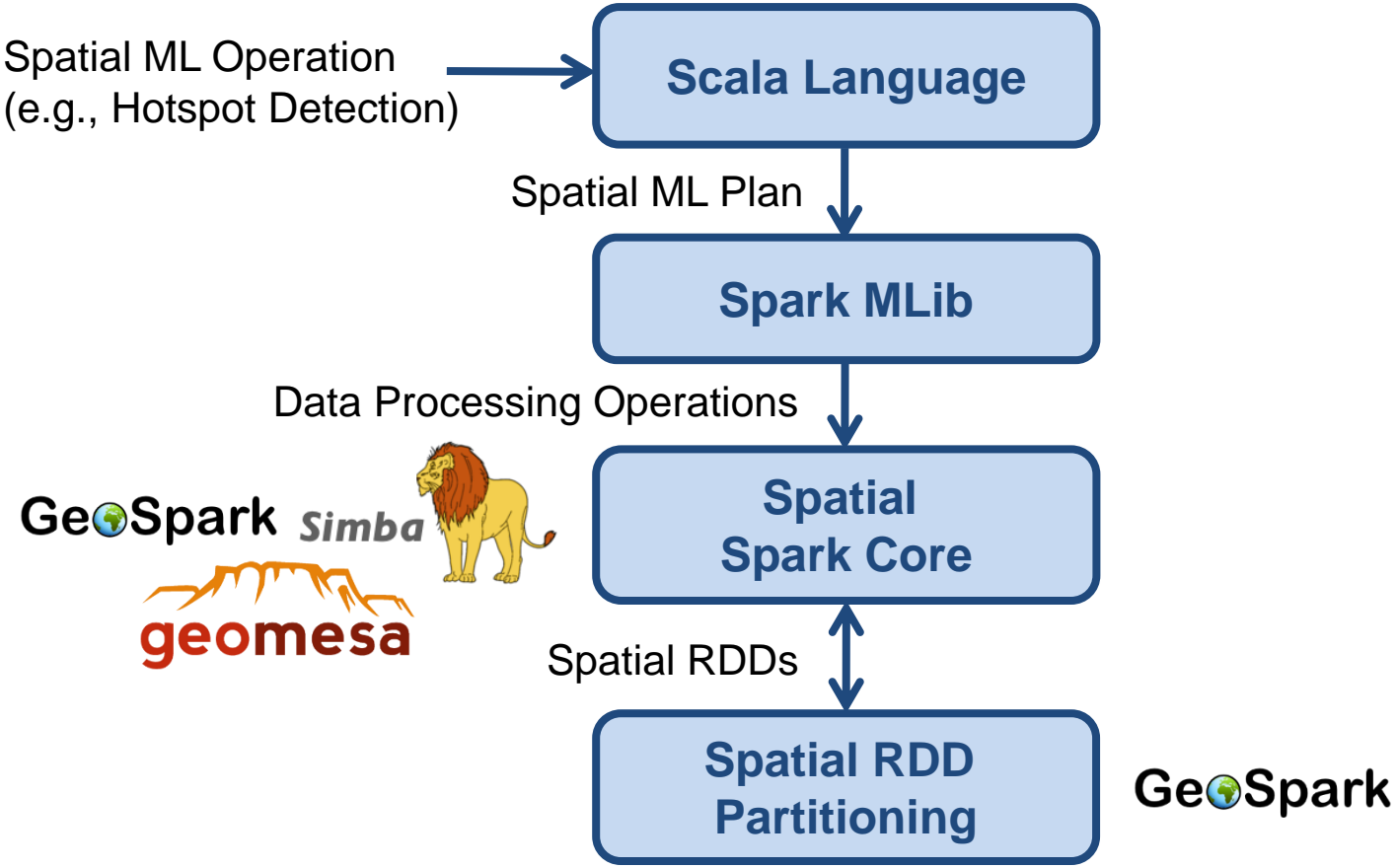
# Outline

- Introduction
- Motivation
- Detailed Techniques
- End-to-End Systems

# Spark-based Spatial ML Systems



- Integrating Spark MLib with spatially-equipped spark core and RDD operations



# PySAL: Python Spatial Analysis Library

- Open source cross-platform library for geospatial data science on vector data
  - Spatial clusters, hot-spots, and outliers
  - Spatial regression and statistical modeling
  - Spatial econometrics
  - Exploratory spatio-temporal data analysis

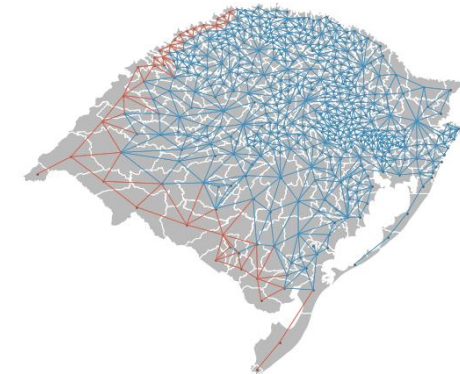
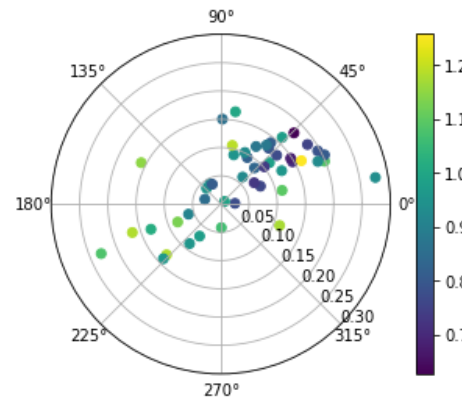
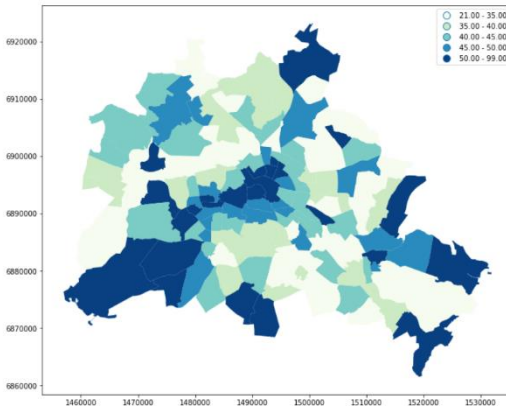
Visualization

Spatial Analytic Functions

Spatial Modeling Functions

Numpy, Scipy

Python

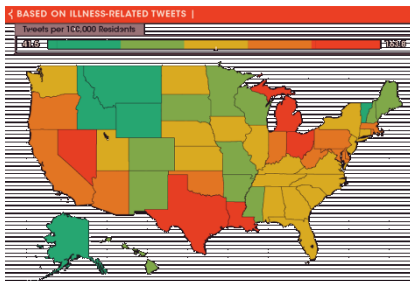


# Flash: Scalable Spatial Data Analysis Using Markov Logic Networks

- Based on the design and deployment of Spatial Awareness in Probabilistic Graphical Models
  - Spatial Markov Random Fields (SMRF)
  - Spatial Hidden Markov Models (SHMM)
  - Spatial Bayesian Networks (SBN)



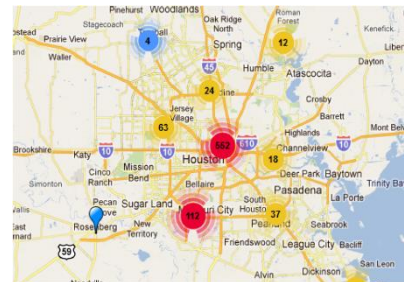
Public Health Monitoring



Geo-tagged Ads



Disaster Analysis



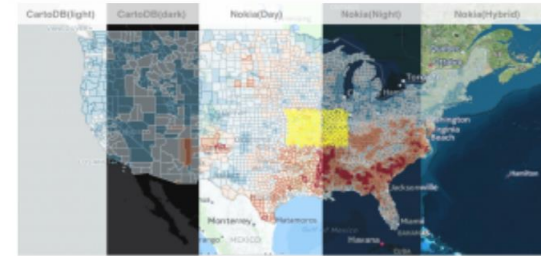
Crime Analysis



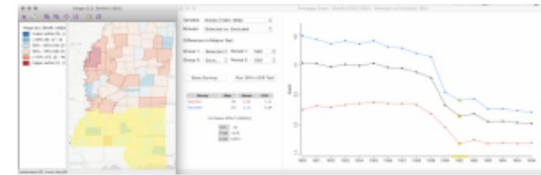


# GeoDA: An Introduction to Spatial Data Analysis

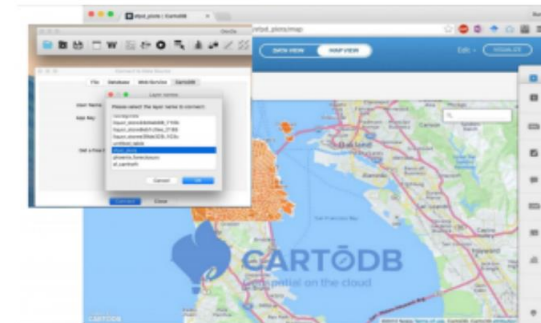
- Exploratory spatial data analysis tool
  - Enriched visualization tools
  - Including spatial clustering, outliers detection, spatial regression
  
- Latest versions are open source (OpenGeoDa)
  - Cross-platform
  - Support cloud-based computation
    - Designed to support datasets with more than 170000 observations efficiently



Basemaps help contextualize the main map layer.



The Averages Chart aggregates trends across time and space.



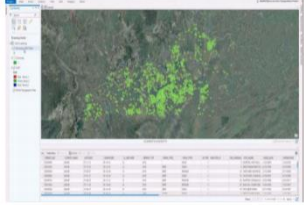
The latest version of GeoDa integrates with CartoDB.



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# ESRI ArcGIS GeoAI & GeoAnalytics

Sample Training Data



GeoAI tools integrated with Tensor flow for deep learning, classification, clustering, regression, etc.

Add Imagery Source



Export Training Data



Train CNN

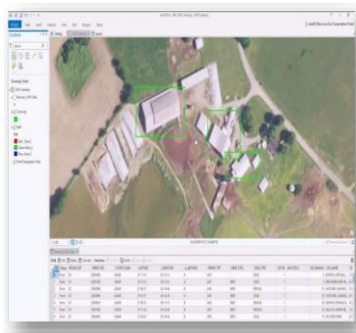


Detect Objects



Call the model from

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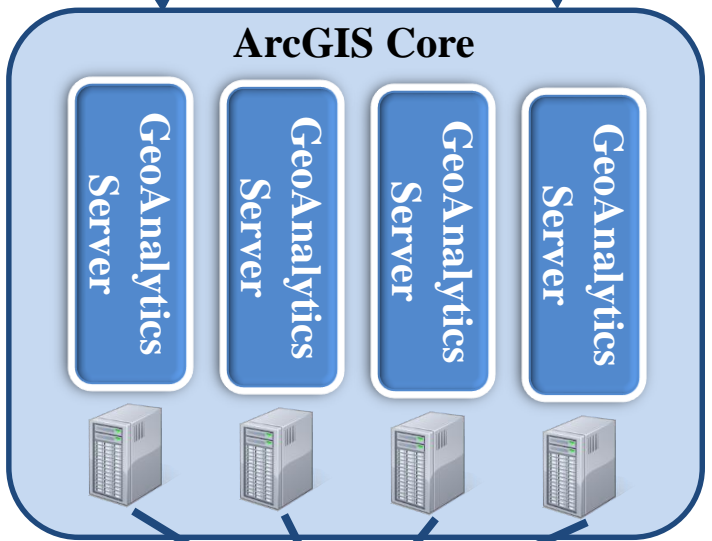
Python Function

```
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1 import numpy as np
2 import tensorflow as tf
3
4 class Detect():
5
6     def __init__(self):
7         self.name = "Detect Object Function"
8         self.description = ""
9
10        self.modelPath = None
11        self.clsPath = None
12        self.threshold = 0.8
13        # self.num_classes = 1
14        self.batch = 128
15
16        def getParameterInfo(self):
17            return [
```

GeoAnalytics Distributed Server for scalability

ML Operation

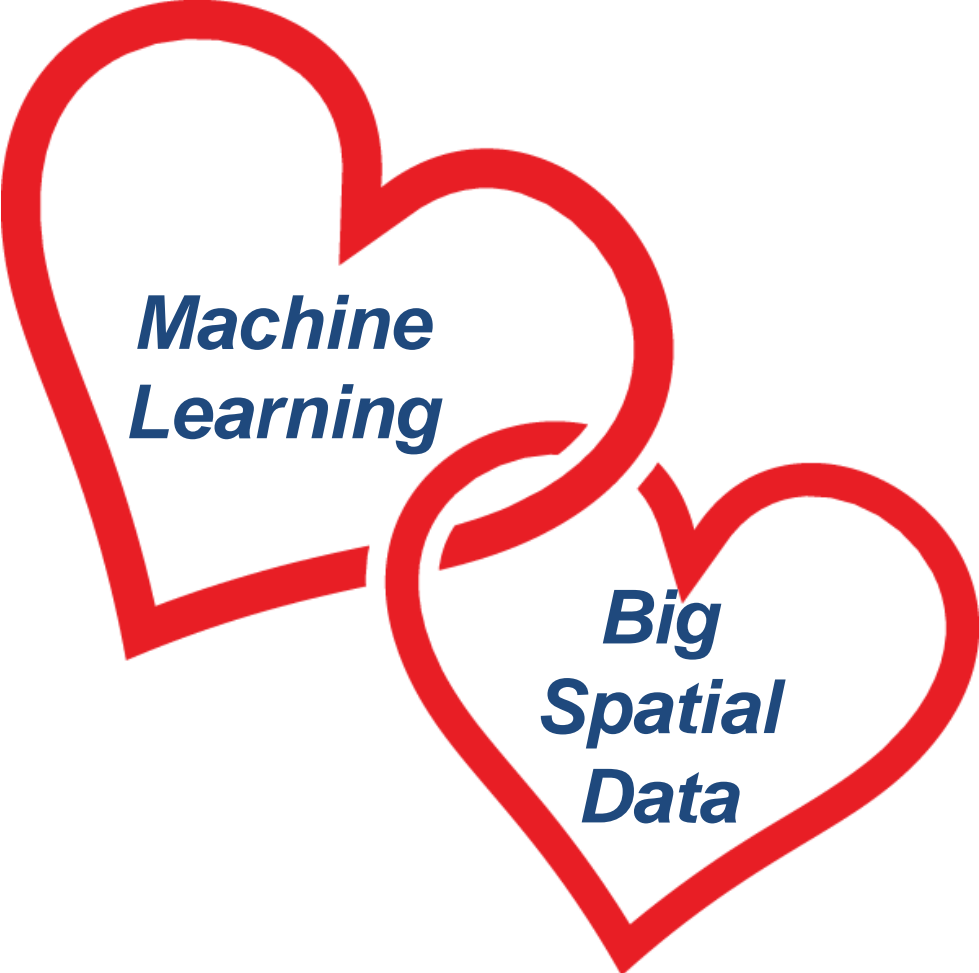
Big Spatial Data



ArcGIS Terminal(s)



# Machine Learning meets Big Spatial Data



**ETHICS**



**PRIVACY**



**POLICIES**

Thank

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