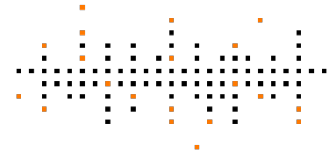


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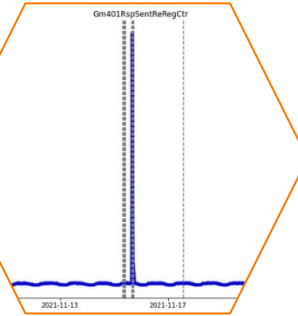
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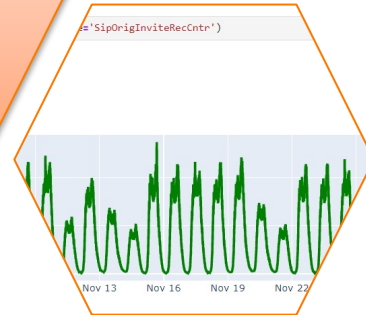
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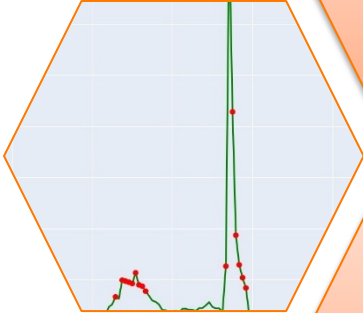
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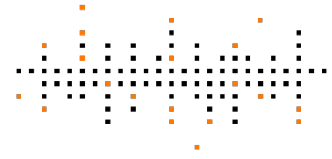
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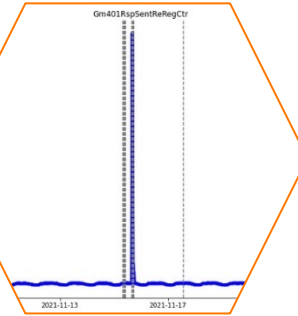
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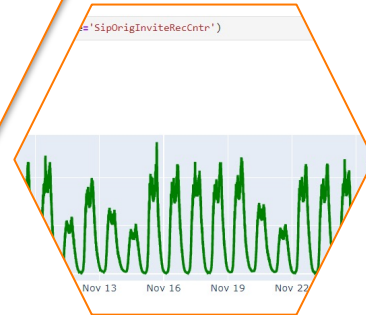
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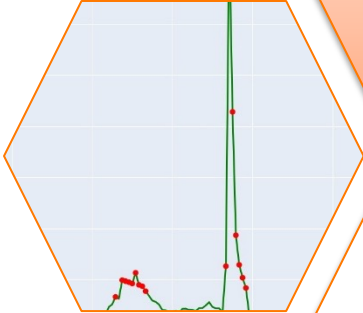
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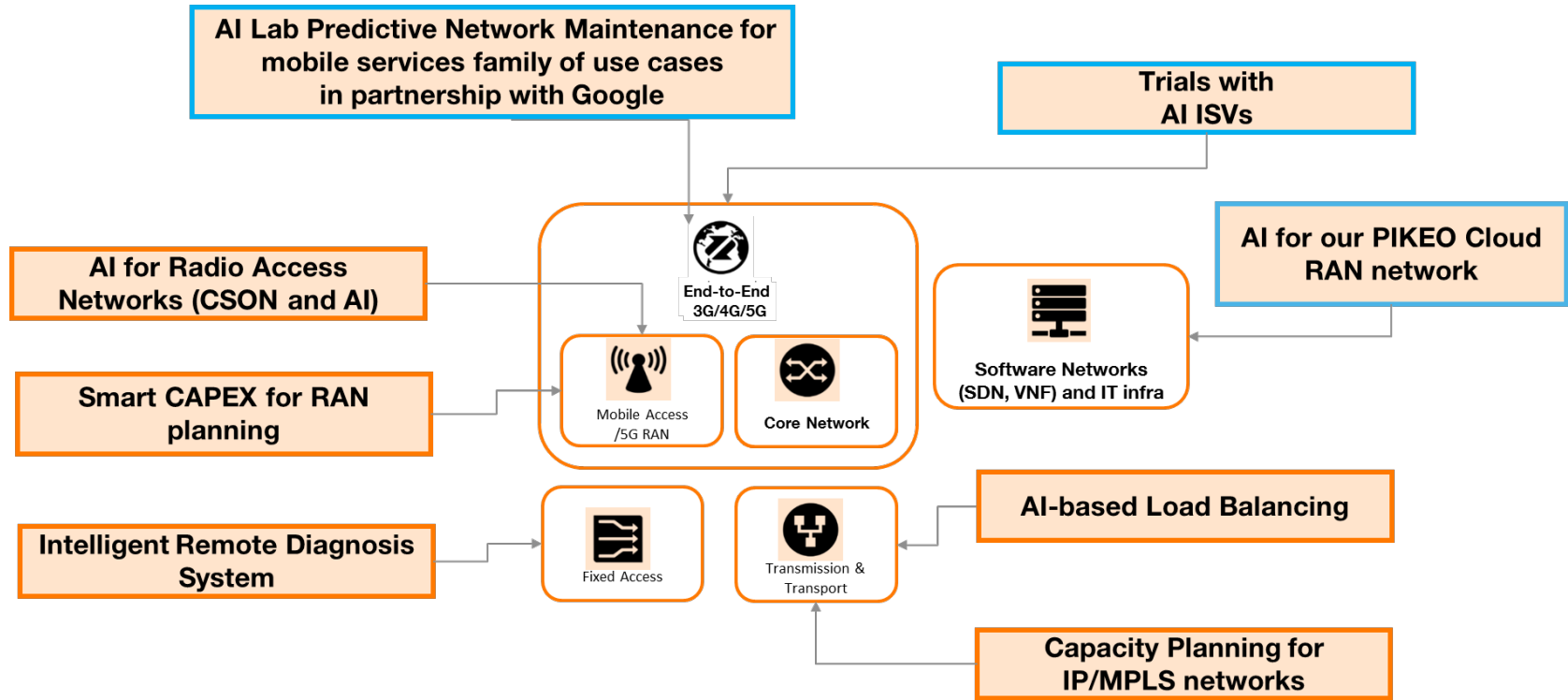
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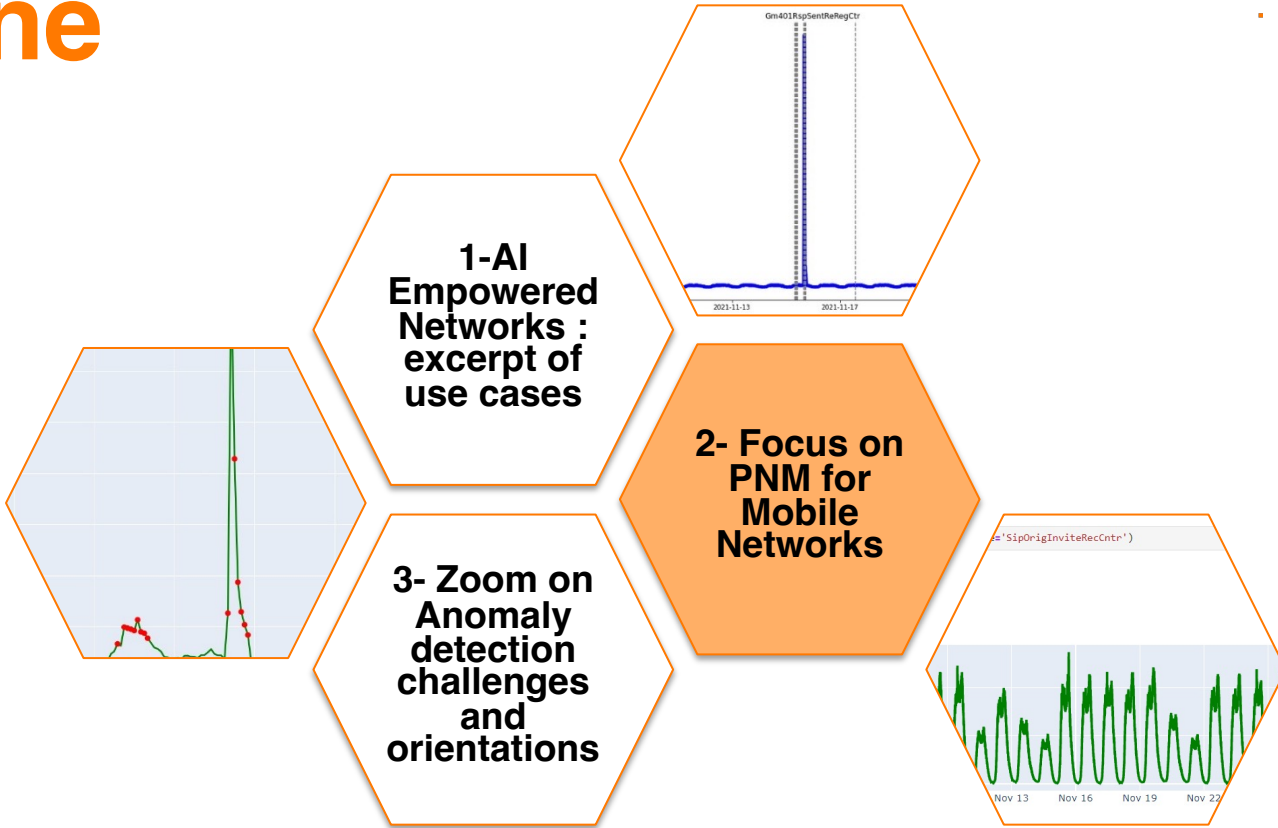
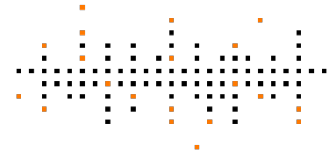
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AI for Networks: Excerpt of current use cases



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Zoom on Predictive Maintenance for Mobile Networks and Services



Pain Points

- **Several incidents not detected before, during and after the failures/degradations**
- Reactive network operations (e.g. upon customers complaints)
- Several thresholds to set, maintain and follow
- Static, noisy and non-informative alarms
- Slow manual root cause identification & Imprecise detection/identification of impacted customers



Empowering Network & Services with Predictive Maintenance

Functionalities

1. Multi-dimension network **data correlation / fusion**
2. **Anomalies Detection and prediction** of network events (e.g. failures, degradations, etc...)
3. **Root cause identification** / diagnosis
4. **Operationalization & Automation** : e.g. Mitigation and recovery actions; field intervention planning, etc.

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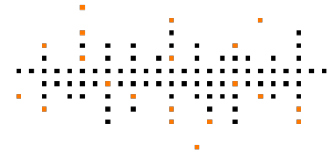
Examples of PNM use cases & network data

	Example of PNM family of Use cases	Data
TMC/(GNOC)	Shortening root cause of Core networks routers based on syslog/events and KPIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syslogs • KPIs (from routers) • Alerts
	Root cause analysis based on Error Code correlation with Eq counter-based KPIs for VoLTE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KPIs (based on Eq. Counters data) • Error code • Alarms • TT
SMC/ & Customer	<i>PNM for VoIMS: (with Google teams)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KPIs (based on Probes data) • KPIs (based on Eq. Counters data) • TT • Alarms
	Service Anomaly detection and Identification of Impacted Customers and a root cause analysis	
	Estimation of the per user QoS for mobile data services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobile Internet KPIs based Probes data • Alarms, TT, etc. • Measurements campaign

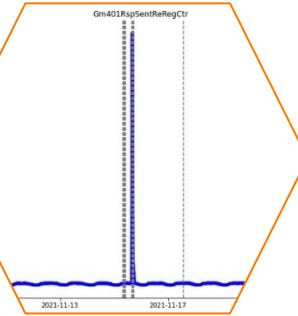
e.g. AIEN TRIALS

1. Data network labeling with Snorkel tool Trial
2. e2e Anomaly detection trial with Cardinality (Perception Platform)

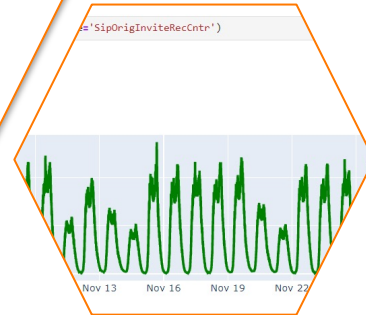
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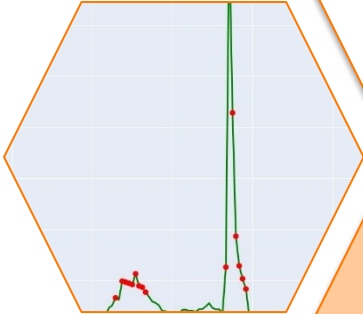
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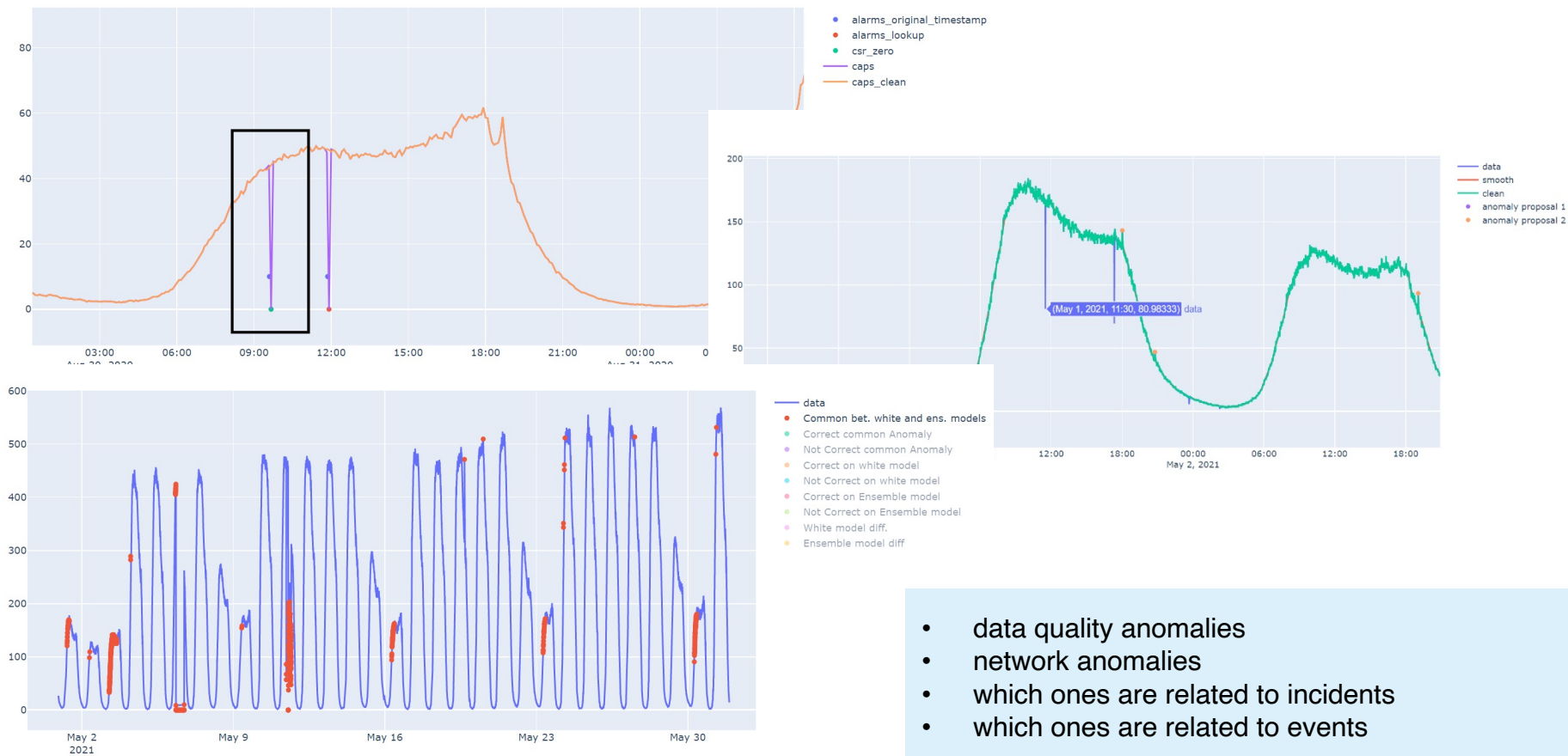
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Network detected anomalies (but what is the root cause? which resolution is needed ? false detection?)



- data quality anomalies
- network anomalies
- which ones are related to incidents
- which ones are related to events

Current approach for Anomaly detection in Predictive Network Maintenance

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Anomaly detection 'classical' approach

2-Correlations between different KPIs
(service, customer and network level)

1-Multi-dimensional KPIs
(e.g. cell, call, country, reason code, etc.)

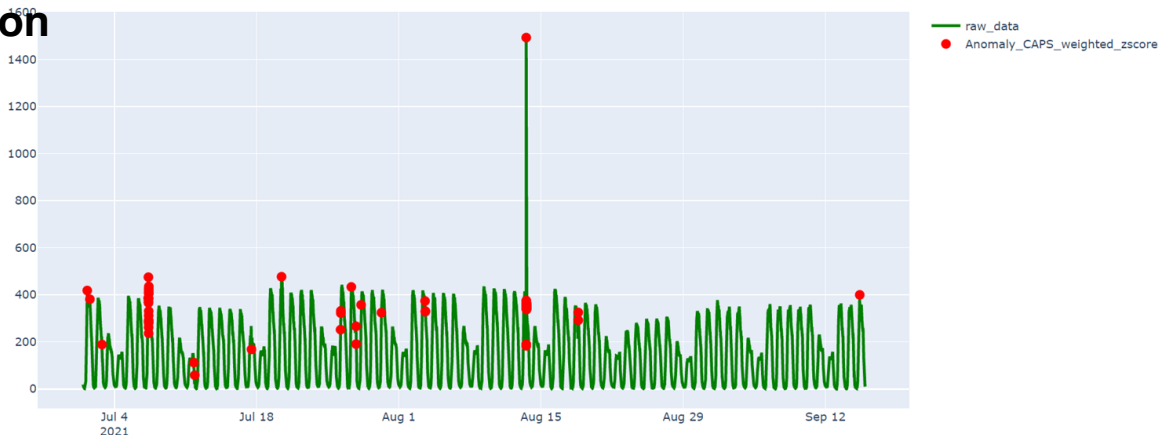
3-Rules, Statistics
(e.g. domain expert rules and thresholds, historical events, occurrences of error code, etc.)

0-Network Raw data

Challenges of current anomaly detection approach for PNM (and beyond)

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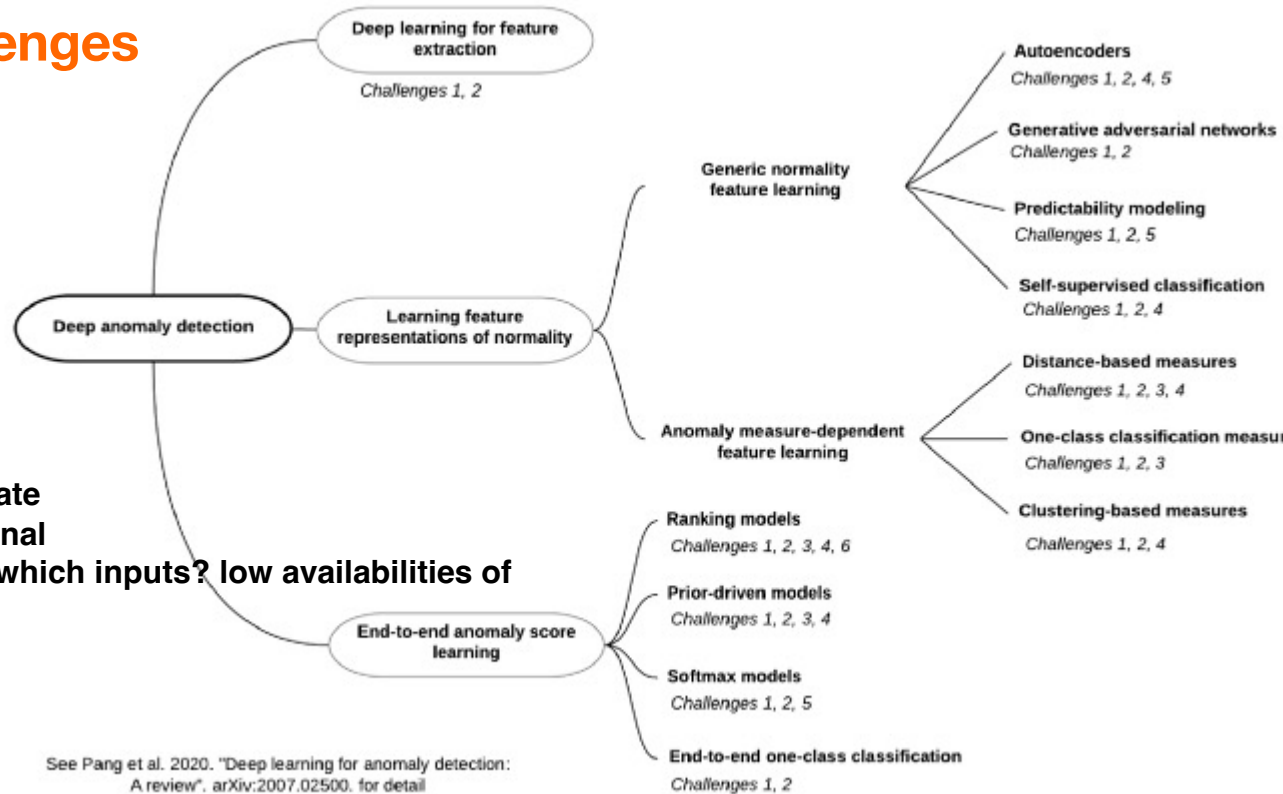
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5. noise-resilient anomaly detection



Projection of the anomalies obtained from **the weighted sum of Zscores of CAPS, Spikes, and Volatility (threshold = 2.5)**
(known incident is shown in **7th of July 2021**)

Deep learning & current anomaly detection challenges

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Testing open-source explainability libraries on Network data

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SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations) is a game theoretic approach to explain the output of any machine learning model. It connects optimal credit allocation with local explanations using the classic Shapley values from game theory and their related extensions (see [papers](#) for details and citations).



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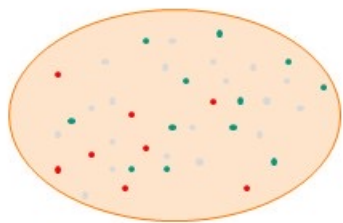
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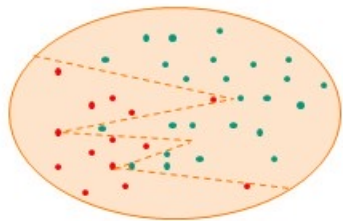
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How it works



A partially labeled dataset



A fully (or almost) labeled dataset and the learned model



snorkel

Making Labelling Functions
The experts find rules on X to determine y on a subset of the training data.

Automatic Labelling
The LF are executed on the unlabeled training examples.

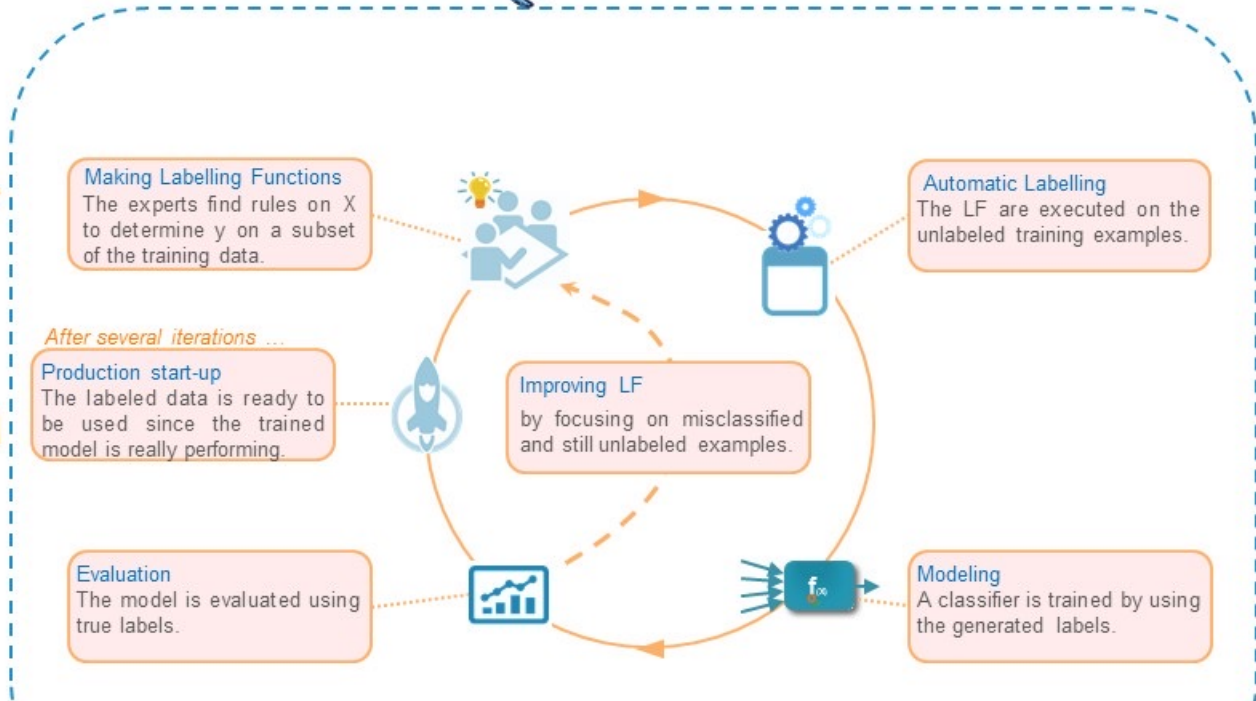
After several iterations ...

Production start-up
The labeled data is ready to be used since the trained model is really performing.

Improving LF
by focusing on misclassified and still unlabeled examples.

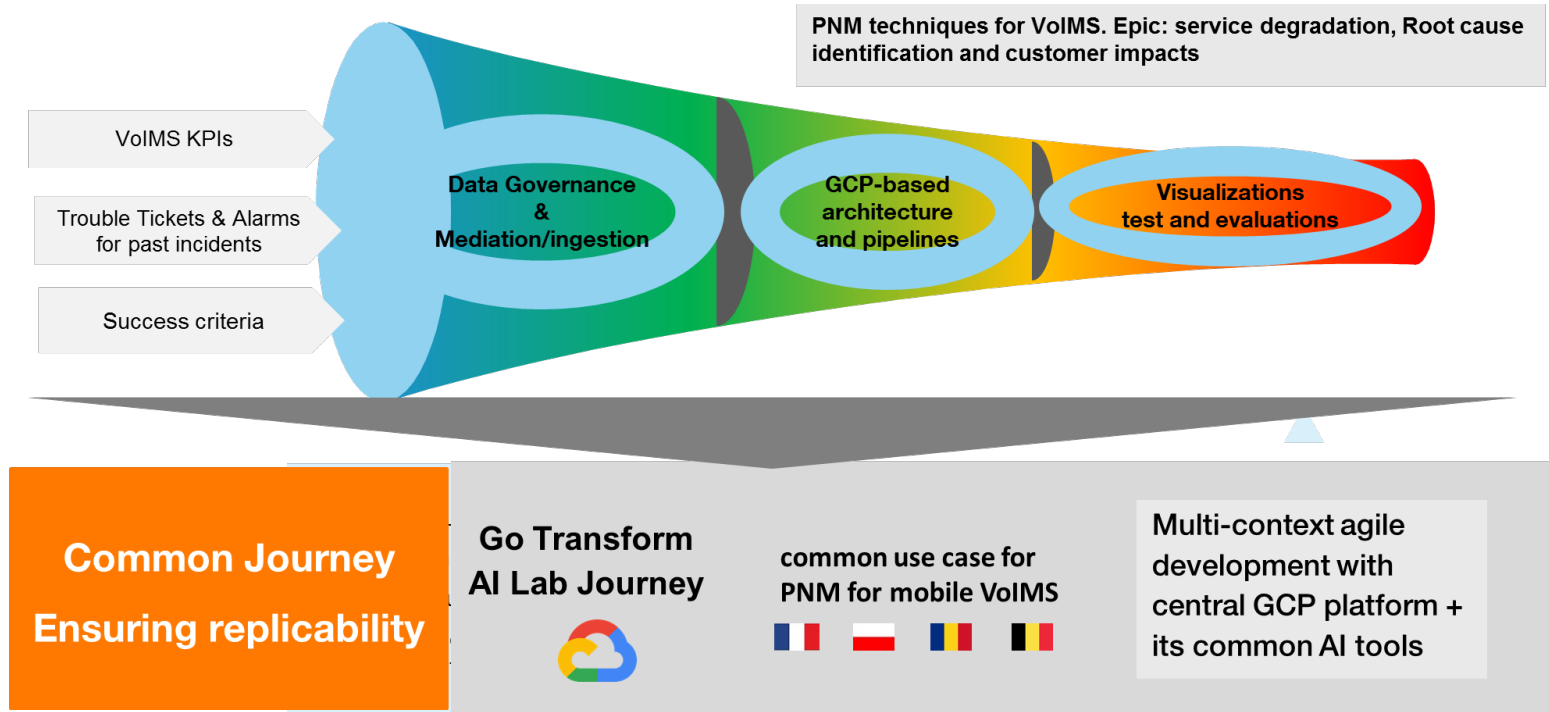
Evaluation
The model is evaluated using true labels.

Modeling
A classifier is trained by using the generated labels.



Key takeaways -1/2

from silo-ed use cases to replicable end to end approach



Key takeaways -2/2

- **Data-driven transformation with three pillars: AI, Automation and Cloudification of Network data**
- **Anomaly detection is a key functionality feeding the root cause and the resolution**
- **GCP as a reference platform for data pipeline development**
- **Building PNM pipelines for mobile network services with replicability by design (multi-countries context)**
- **Preparation of fundamentals towards AI for 5G and 5G SA, RIC, and cloud native networks**

Thank you

