

Towards a Data-driven Operational Digital Twin for Railway Wheels

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Wayside Monitoring of Railway Wheels

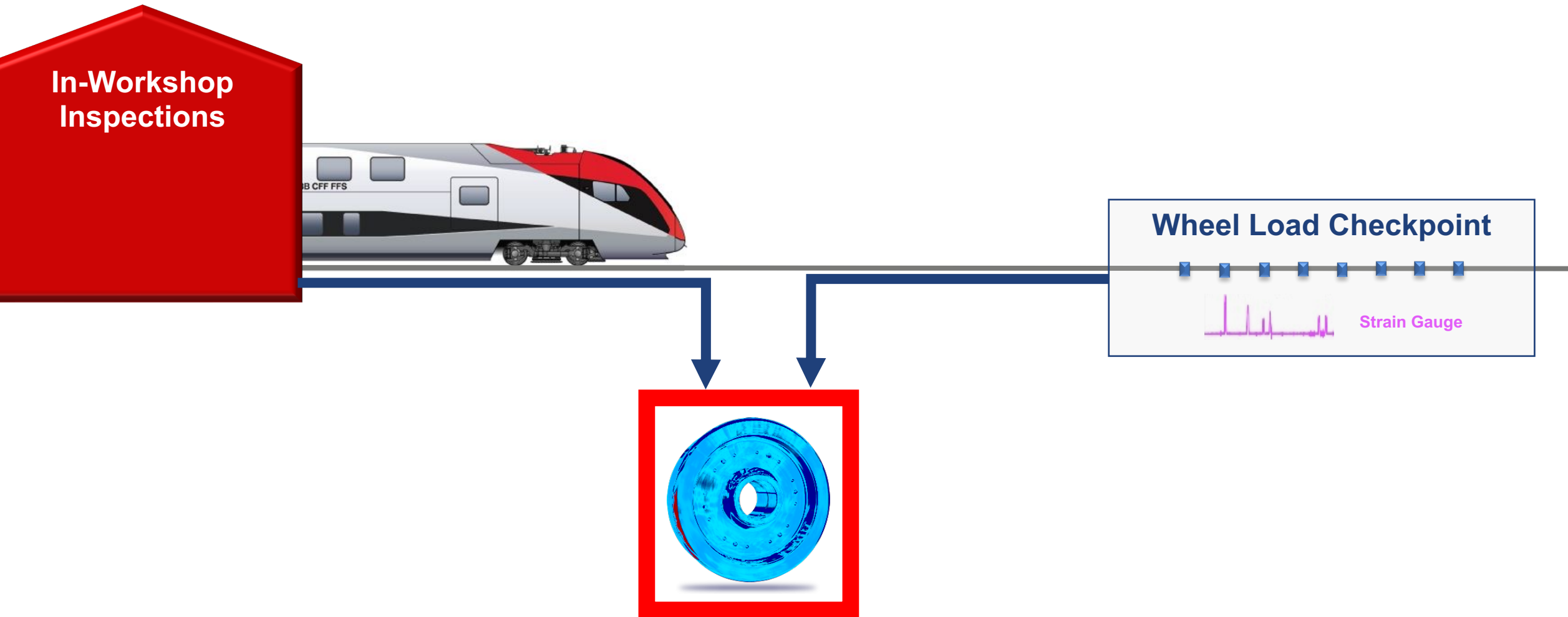
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Wheel Load Checkpoint



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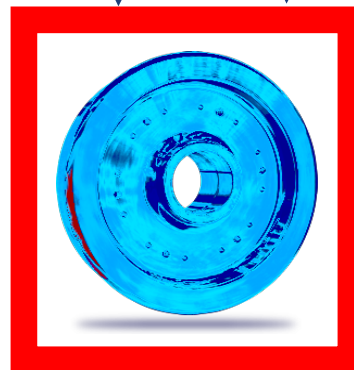


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Requires algorithms for

- Fault Detection
- Fault Diagnostic
- Fault Evolution Prediction



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Challenges for Data-driven Solutions

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Health Factors

Fault Types, Fault Severities,
...

Faults are rare

Fault data not available

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Different Factors of Variations in the Data

Controlable Factors

Operating Conditions,
New Components,
...



Different loads,
velocities

Uncontrolable Factors

Environmental Factors, ...



Ambient
Temperature

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Distinguishing these factors can be difficult

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Often the available dataset is not representative!

Data-driven fault detection and diagnostics model fail!

Objective

Objective 1:

Sensitivity to Faults

Health Factors

Fault Types & Severities, ...

Objective 2:

Invariance to any fluctuation caused by «other» factors

Controlable Factors

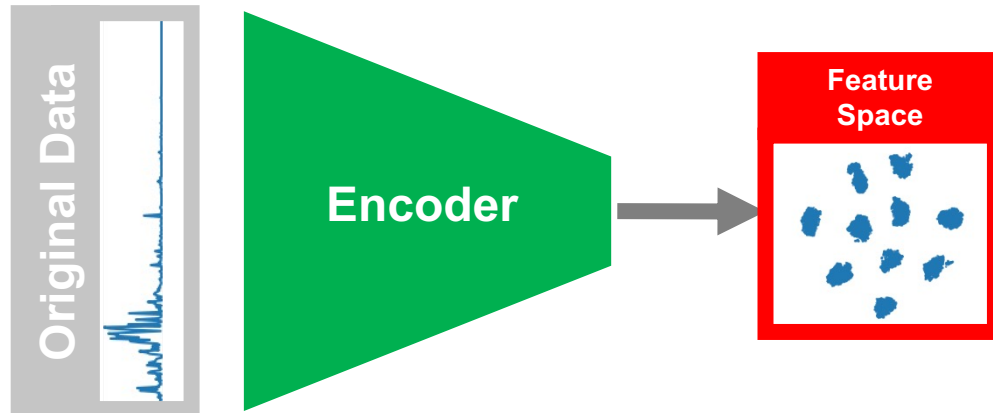
Operating Conditions, ...

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Environmental Factors, ...

Learn a Suitable Feature Representation

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Triplet}}$



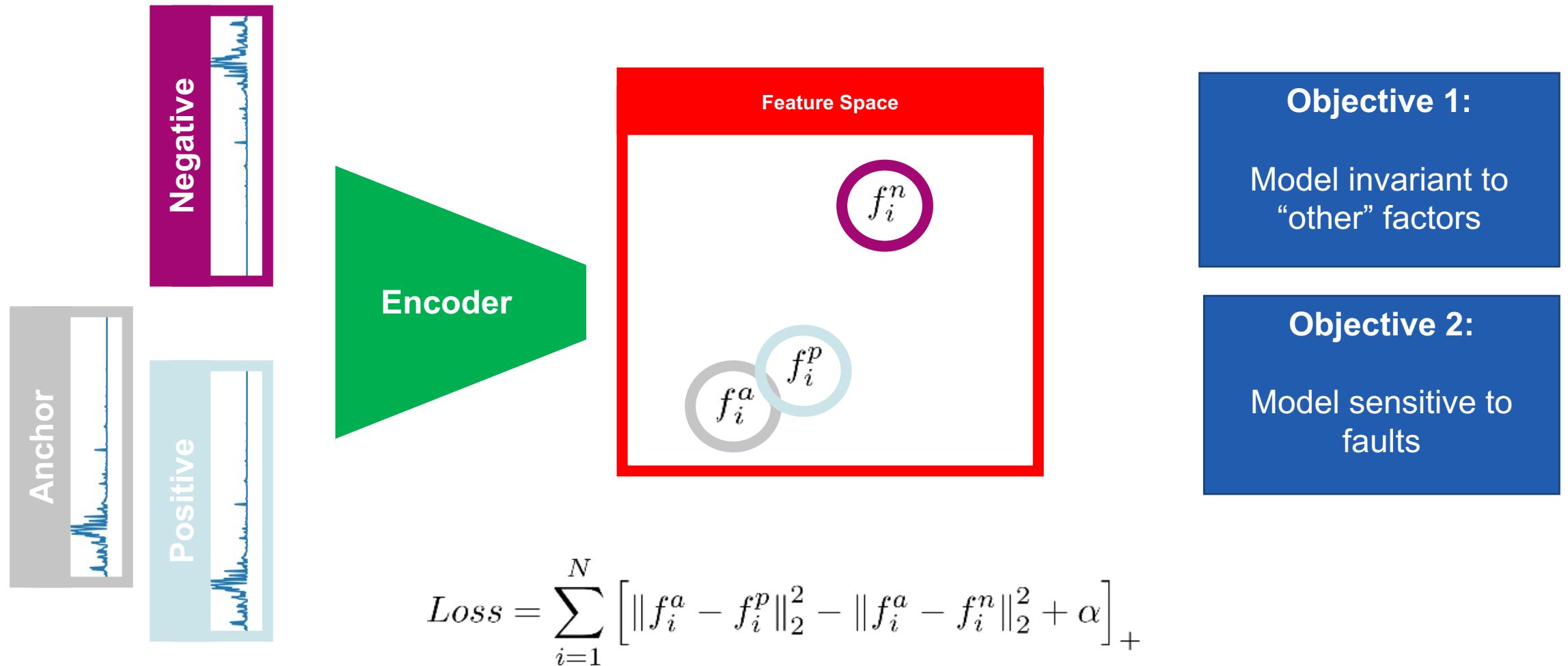
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Contrastive Feature Learning – Triplet Loss



Schroff, Florian, Dmitry Kalenichenko, and James Philbin. "Facenet: A unified embedding for face recognition and clustering." *Proceedings of the IEEE conference on computer vision and pattern recognition*. 2015.

Challenge Contrastive Feature Learning

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Data Representation



Applications

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Sufficient data from
«other» factors

All Fault Data Available



Limited data from
«other» factors

Limited fault data



Limited data from
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No Faults Data

Difficulty

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Classification & Detection

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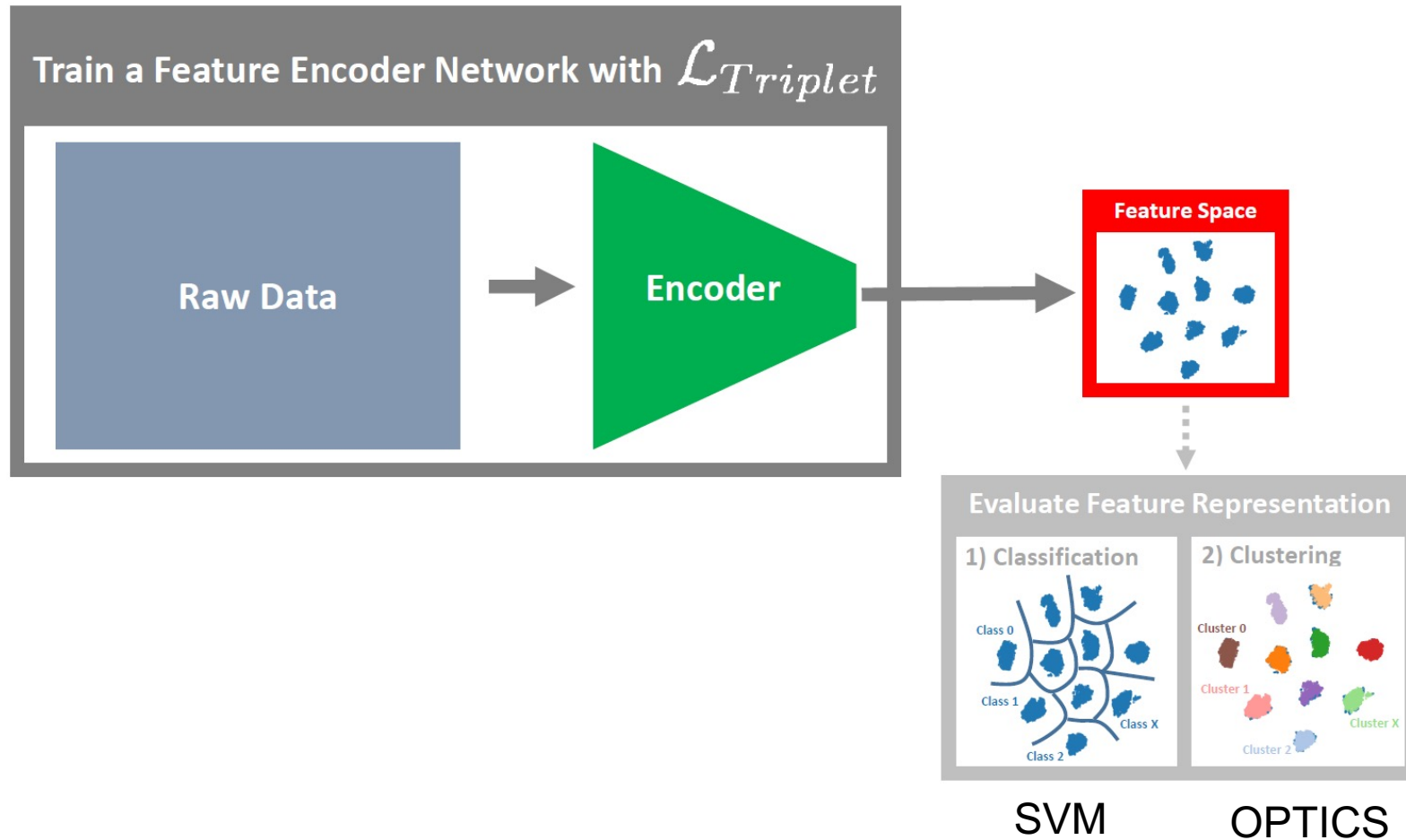
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Methodology



Objective 1:

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Objective 2:

Model sensitive to
known and novel
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Scenario:

Limited data from «other» factors

Limited fault data

Application on a bearing dataset (CWRU dataset)

Objective 1:

Model invariant to “other” factors

Case Study 1:

Train Models on a subset of the operating conditions (OC)

OC 0

OC 2

OC 3

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OC 1

Evaluate Models on

- Known OC
- Novel OC

Objective 2:

Model sensitive to known and novel faults

Case Study 2:

Train Models on a subset of the faults

Evaluate Models on

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Case Study 1: Classification and Clustering Results on Various Operating Conditions

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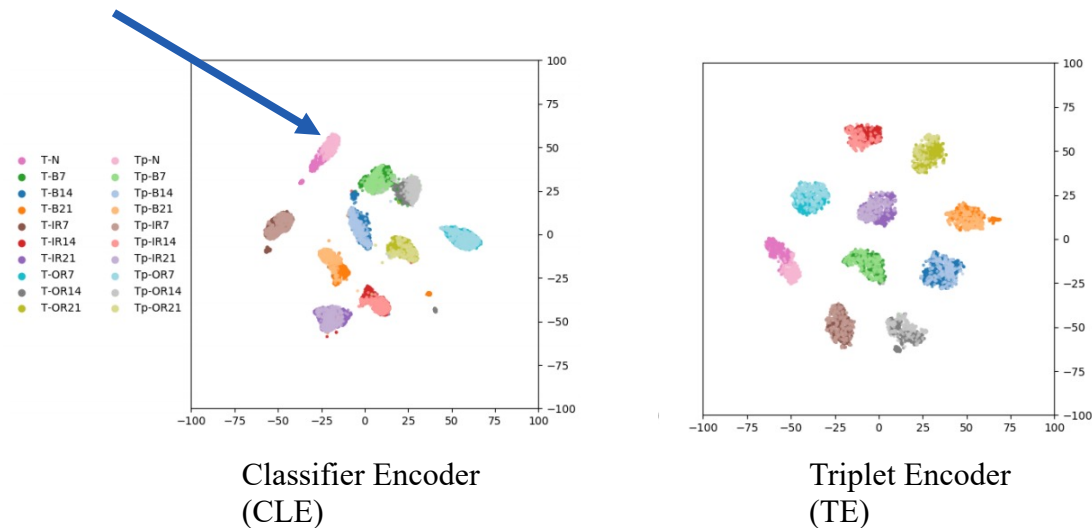
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Compact Class Clusters in the Triplet Encoder feature space despite changing OC

Softer color represent data recorded under «novel» OC



TSNE Plots of the Different Feature Spaces

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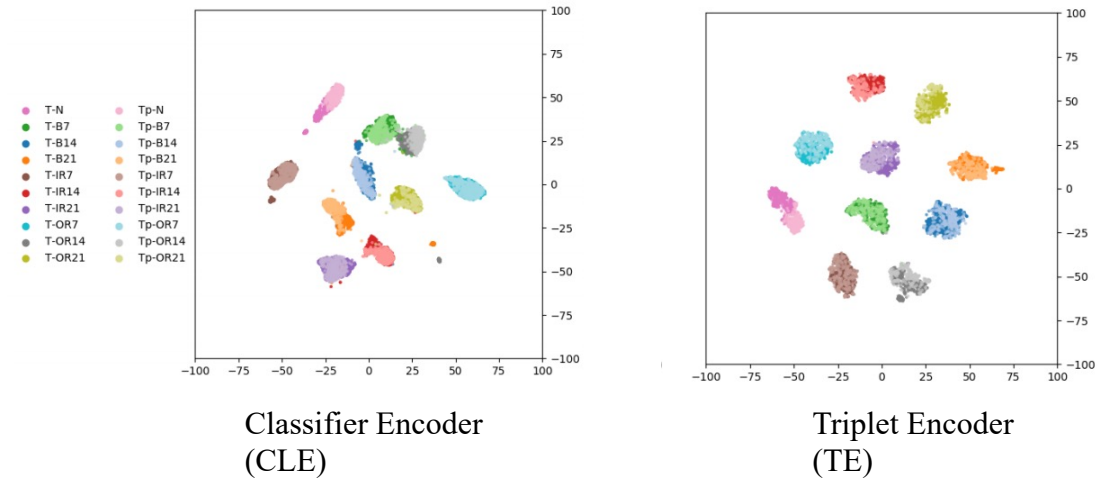
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	Classification	Classification	Clustering—OPTICS	Clustering—OPTICS
	T	T_p	T	$T \cup T_p$
	acc	acc	AMI	AMI
CLE	100%	99%	14%	23%
TE	100%	100%	98%	97%

Classification and Clustering Results

Case Study 2: Classification and Clustering Results with Novel Faults

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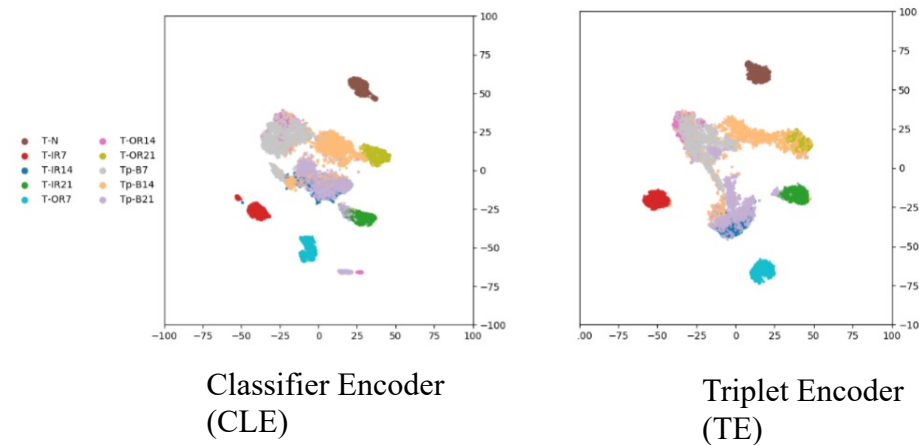
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94% of the detected outliers novel faults



TSNE Plots of the Clustered Feature Spaces

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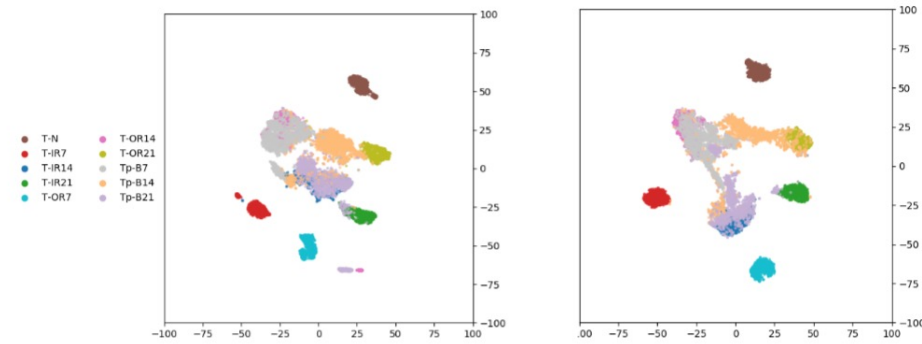
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Classifier Encoder (CLE)

Triplet Encoder (TE)

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CLE	100%	0%	7%	7%
TE	100%	0%	96%	73%

Classification and Clustering Results

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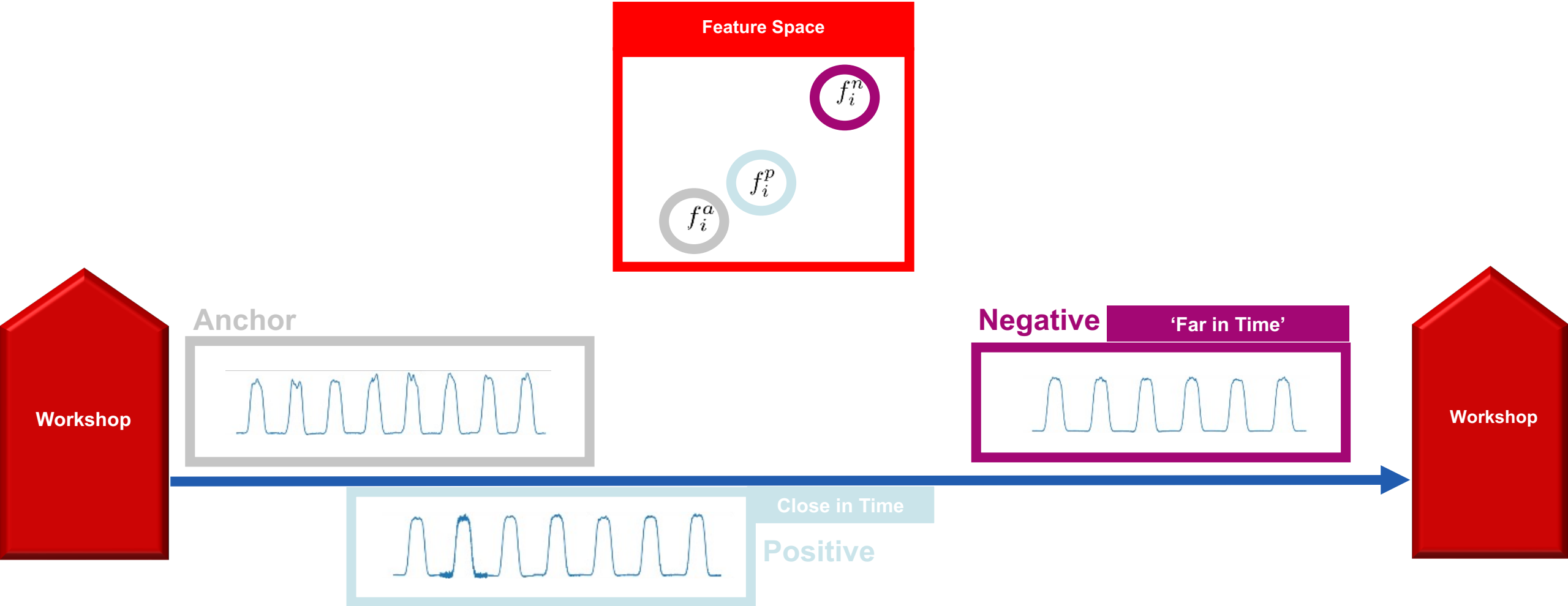


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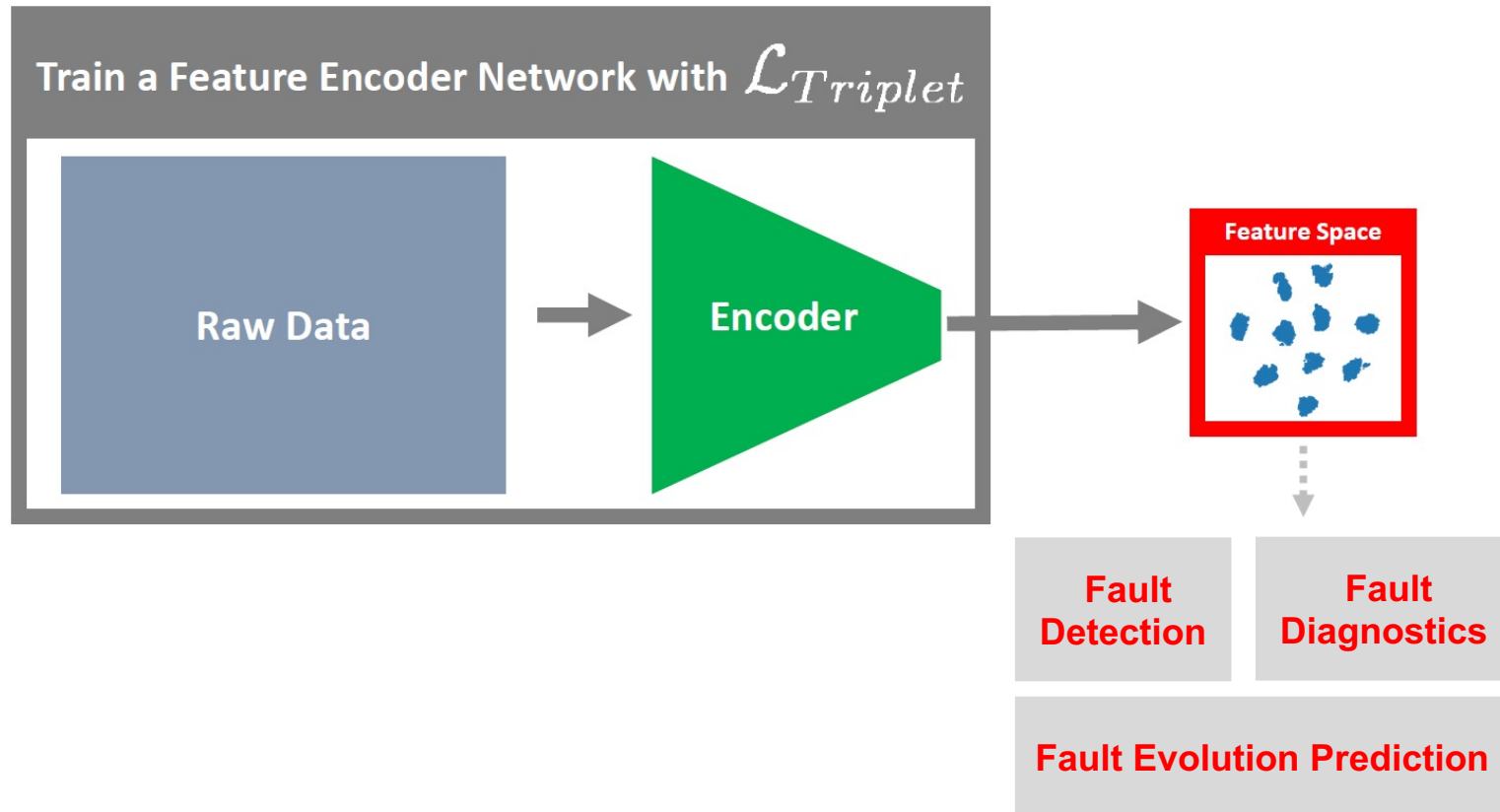
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Unsupervised Contrastive Learning in Time



Franceschi, Jean-Yves, Aymeric Dieuleveut, and Martin Jaggi. "Unsupervised scalable representation learning for multivariate time series." Advances in neural information processing systems 32 (2019).

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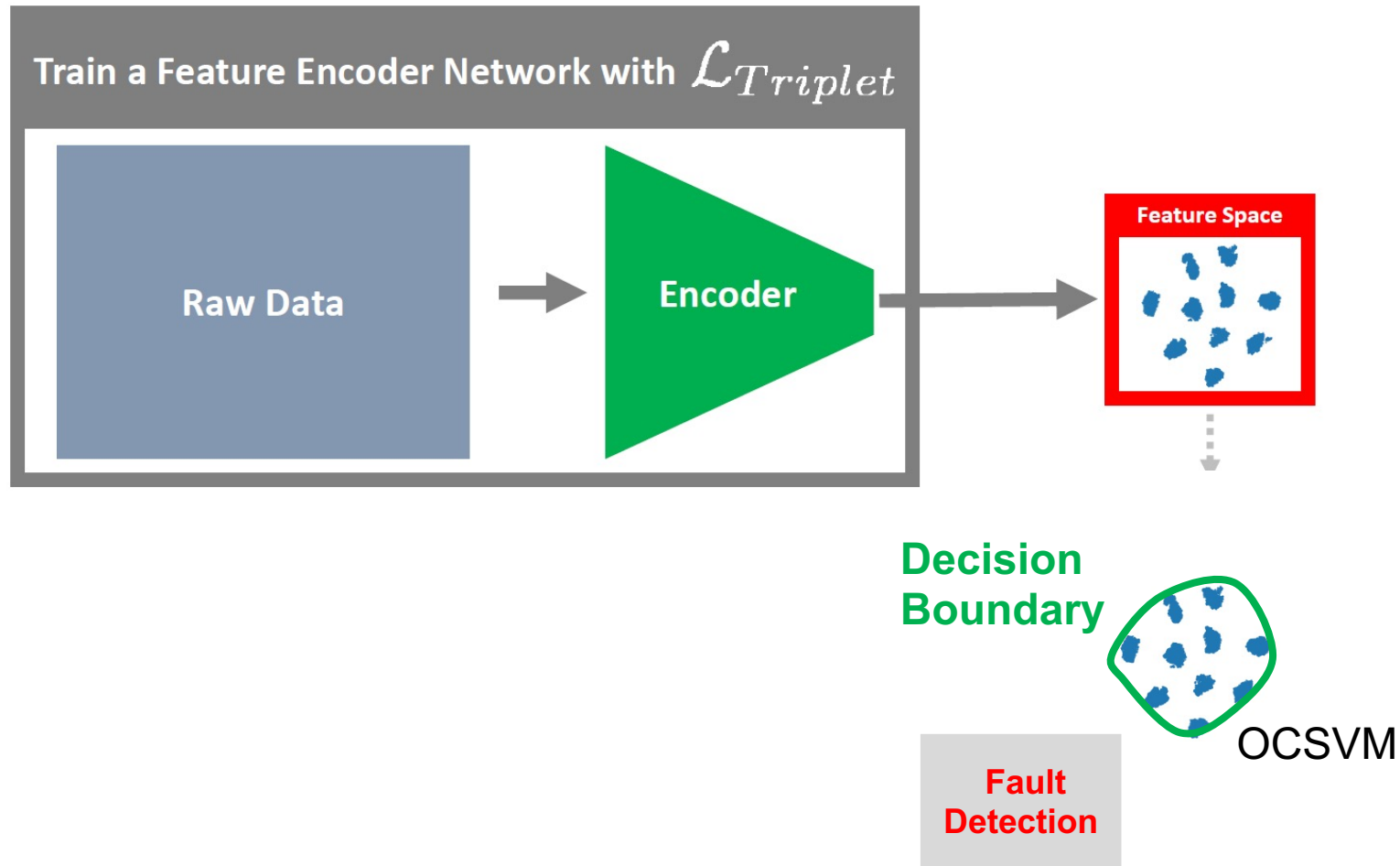
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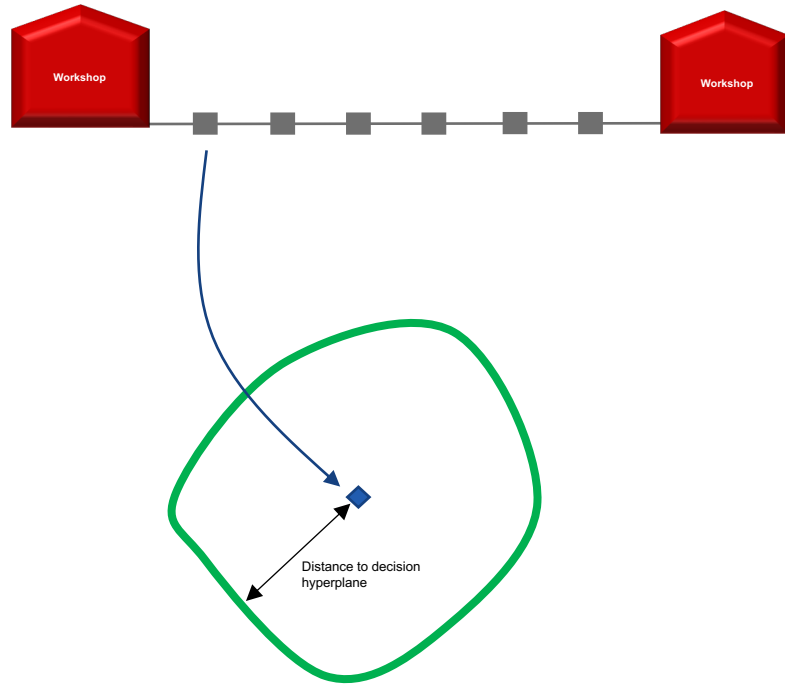
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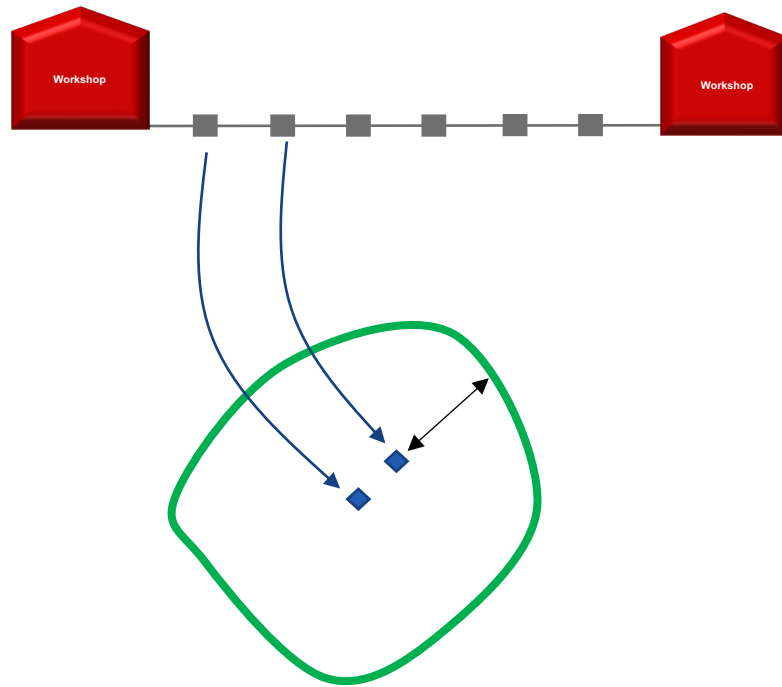
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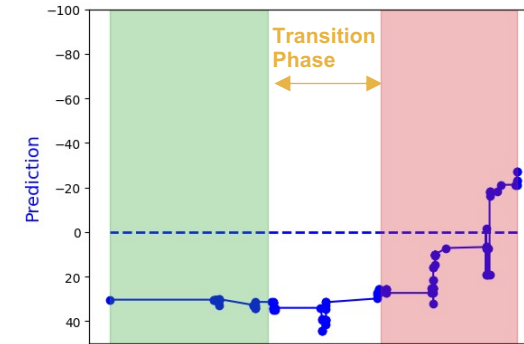
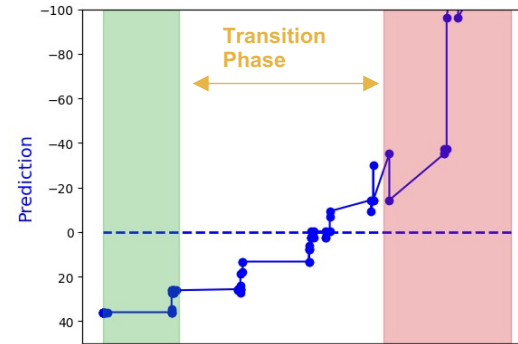
Visualization Median



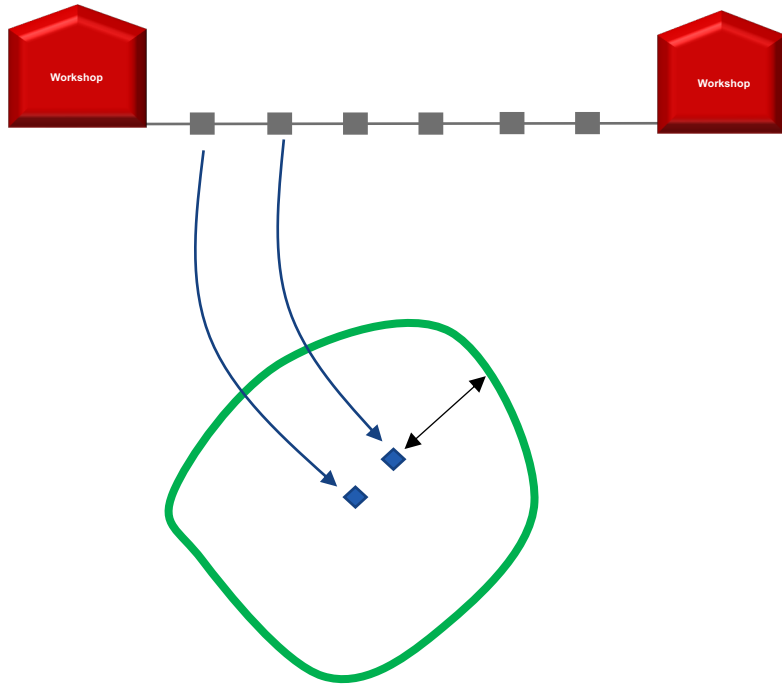
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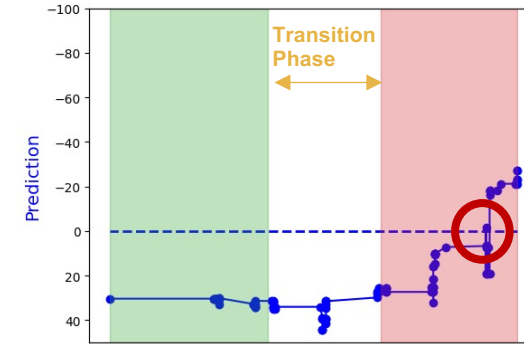
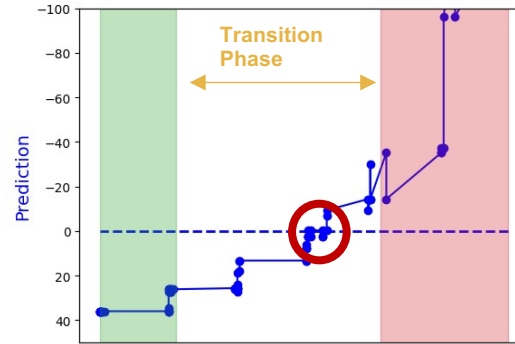
Fault Trajectories



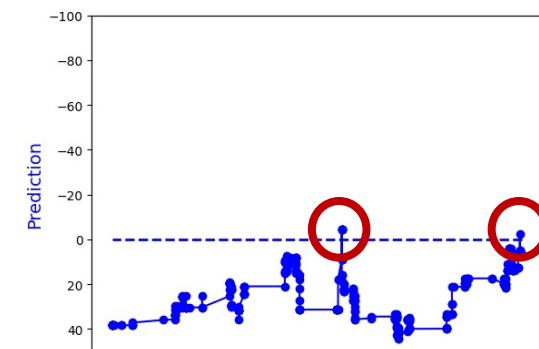
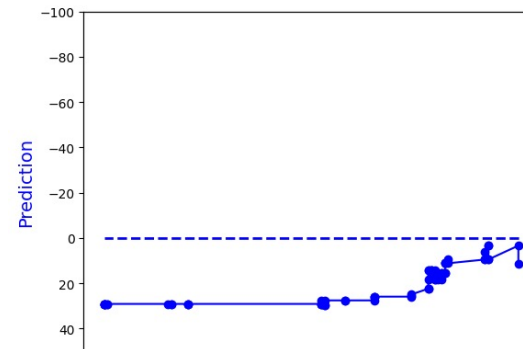
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Fault Trajectories



Healthy Trajectories



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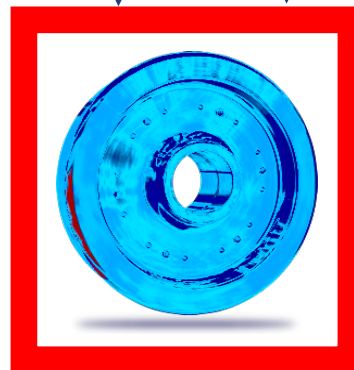
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Strain Gauge

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Thank you!

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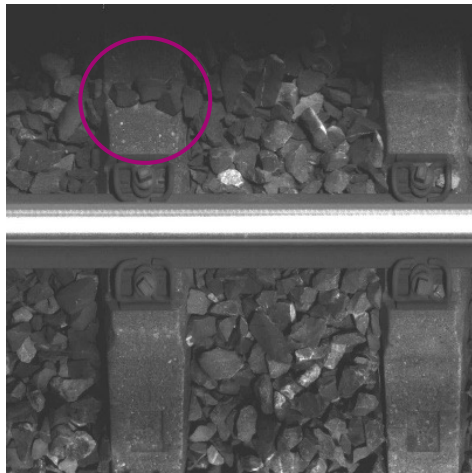


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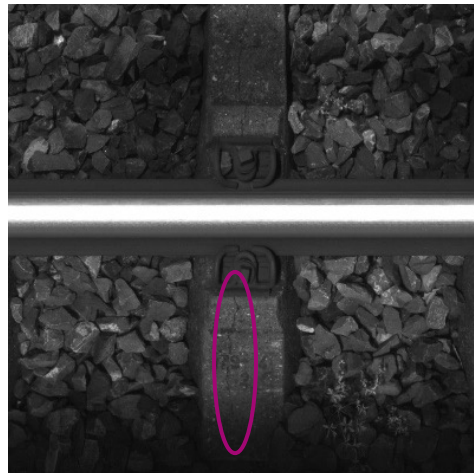
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Application 1: Defect Type Classification of Sleepers



Healthy



Cracks



Spalling

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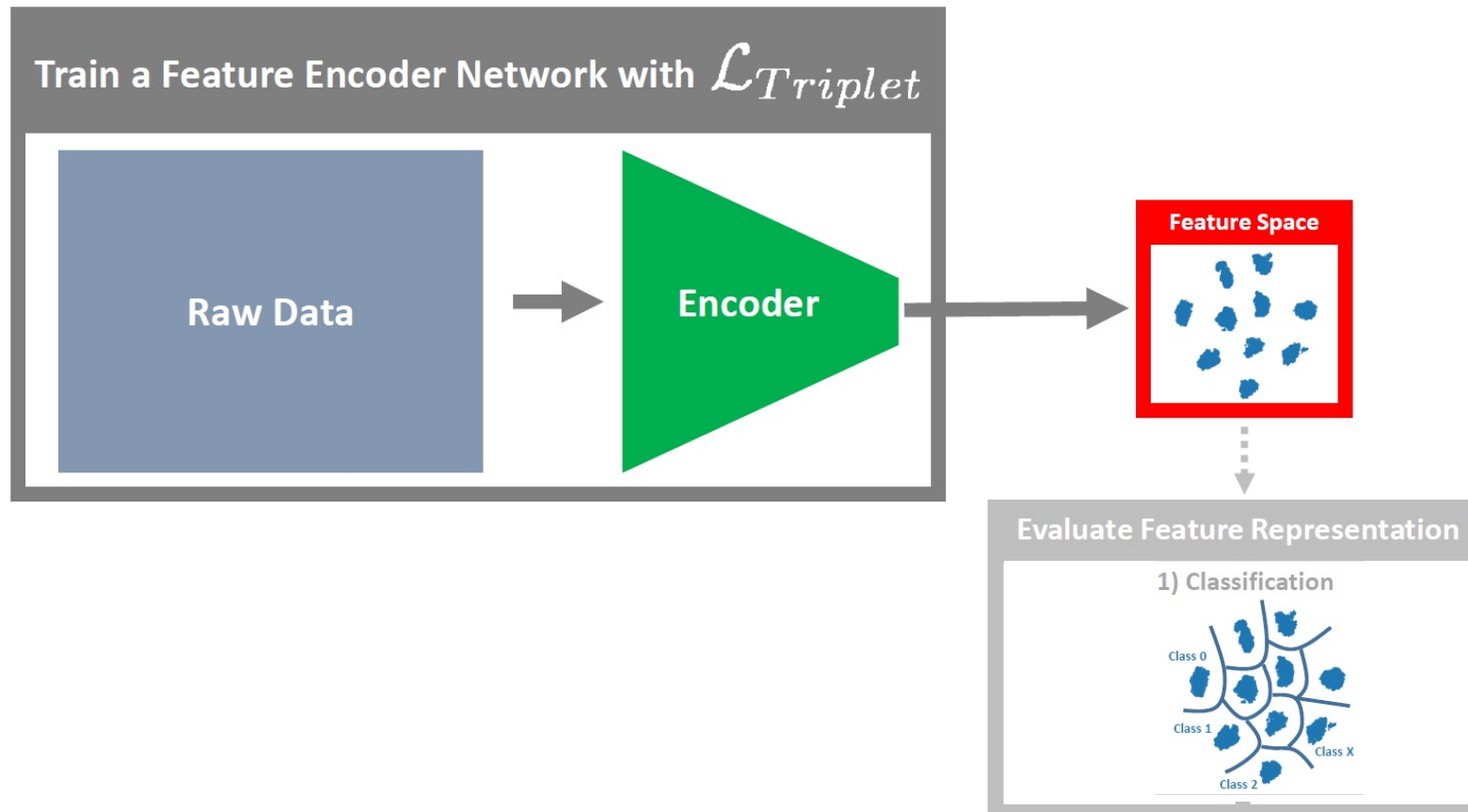
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Model sensitive to
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Scenario:

All fault types known

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Results Application 1: Defect Type Classification of Sleepers



	Classification T acc
CLE	81%
TE	94%

+ 13% accuracy gain