

**Aker BP and Cognite -
Overcoming the challenges of Machine
Learning in Oil & Gas
by combining physics and AI**

Machine learning in oil and gas

ML immensely successful in areas like

- image recognition
- optimizing ad-revenue
- recommending news feeds based on customer preferences
- product positioning

Not equally successful for O&G production

Despite the value potential being extraordinarily high.



WHY ?

Challenges when delivering Data Analytics

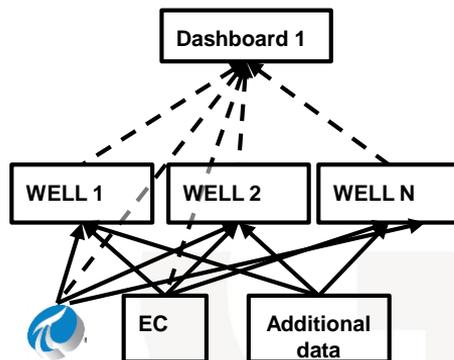


Access to data sources and scalability -- example

DESCRIPTION:

PAST:

- Time-consuming point-to-point integrations
- Slow roll out to multiple wells
- Vulnerable to lock-in due to no model/visualisation separation
- Hard/impossible to reuse results on other applications



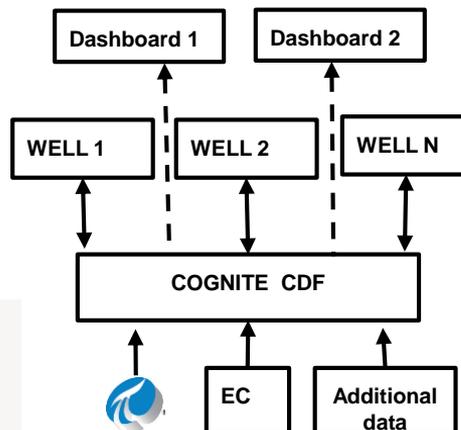
TIME ESTIMATE: >> 12 MONTHS

DATA FLOW AND STORAGE ARCHITECTURE

DATA SOURCES

PRESENT:

- Fast roll out of solutions across multiple assets, leveraging the contextualization capabilities of CDF
- Results from models re-used by other models and dashboards



TIME ESTIMATE: 6 MONTHS

FUTURE:

- Query capabilities for all equipment and production data, enabled by relation based contextualization and data typing
- Automatic roll out of data analytics methods and physics simulators as a result of the query capabilities
- One click setup of common simulation scenarios (like VFM, well startup advisor etc)
- Extended tools offering
- Easy deployment and hosting



One-click setup of

- ML models
- Virtual flow meters
- Well startup advisors

TIME ESTIMATE: 1 WEEK

Contextualization -- Finding correct information

Assets

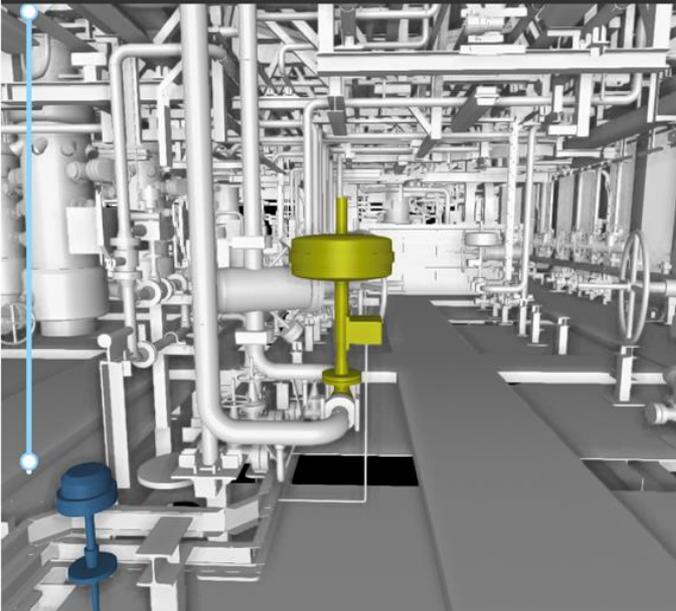
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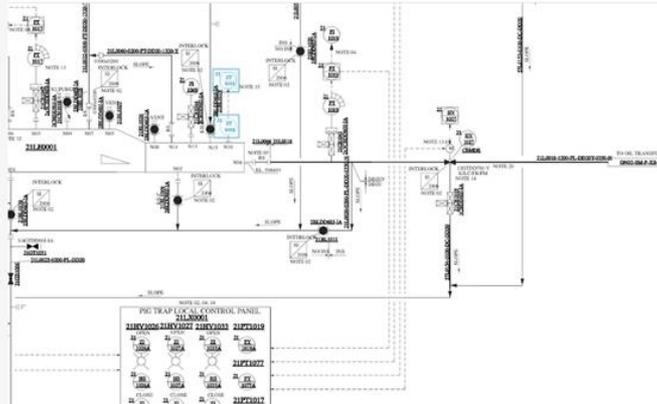
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3D P&ID **Asset Network Viewer** Relationships Viewer

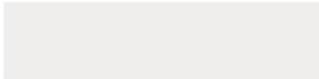


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Machine learning -- different requirements



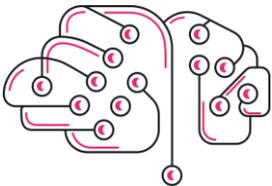
Classical ML applications

- Often no alternative approach
- Large errors have usually no serious consequence
- Enormous amount of training data
- For some problems the data are *noiseless*

O&G applications

- Dynamics in oil and gas are governed by the laws of physics
- Competing against physics models
- Large errors may have serious consequences
- Few sensors measuring few properties, describing a complex problem
- Little training data (long history \neq lot of data)
- Noise/drift in sensors
- Optimization is often about operating under conditions not previously operated in

COGNITE DIFFERENTIATES FROM PURE AI COMPANIES WITH A HYBRID DATA SCIENCE MODEL UNIQUE TO INDUSTRIAL REALITY



**DATA DRIVEN
MACHINE LEARNING**

**PHYSICS AI
HYBRID**



**PHYSICS DRIVEN
MODELLING AND VIRTUAL
SIMULATIONS**

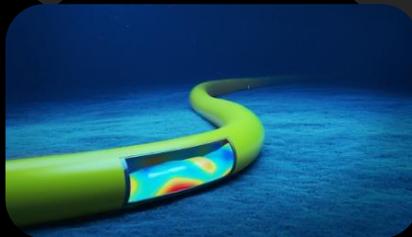
Key to success -- Cross discipline team

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{V} = 0$$
$$\rho \frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} + \rho (\vec{V} \cdot \nabla) \vec{V} = -\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \vec{V} + \rho \vec{g}$$

- Physics
- Mathematics/Statistics
- Advanced numerical methods
- Optimization



- Data analytics
- AI/Machine learning



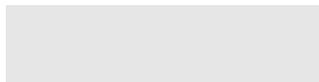
- Multiphase flow physics
- Reservoir to topside
- Flow Assurance



- Control theory,
- Robotics
- Signal processing



- Laboratory experiments and field measurements
- Sensor calibrations/diagnostics



Examples from AkerBP



OUR CUSTOMERS ARE REALIZING SUBSTANTIAL VALUE:

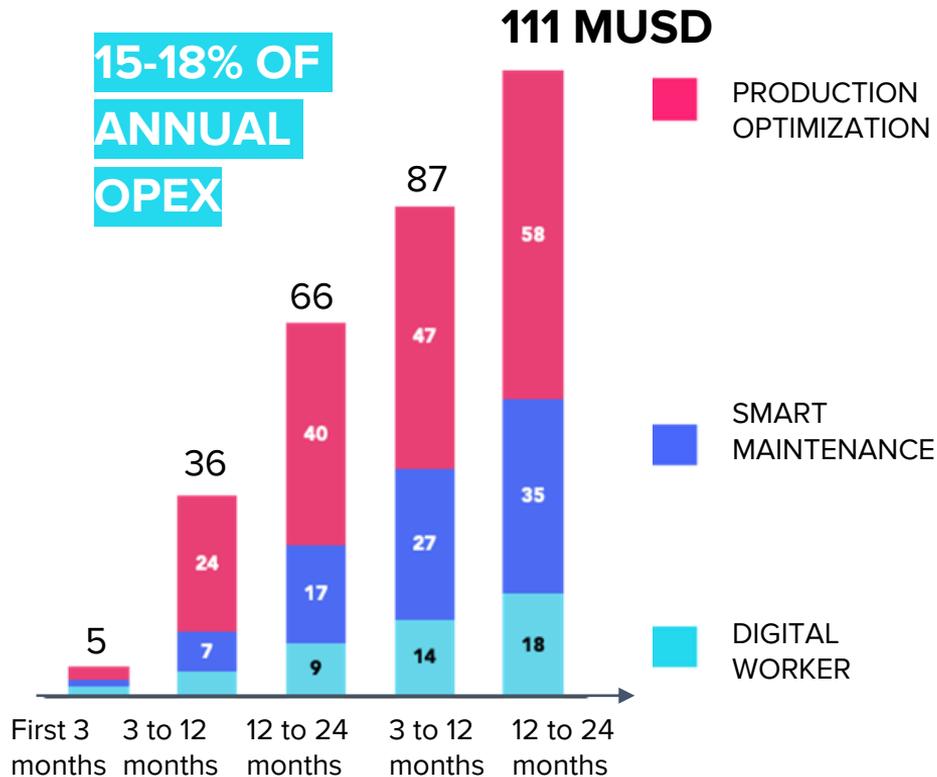
AKER BP EXAMPLE

Aggregated estimated value creation for **known use cases in Operations alone**

Production Optimization: 40-50%

Smart Maintenance: 25-35%

Digital Worker: 10-15%



Use-case categories of increasing complexity

1 MAKE INFO AVAILABLE

Visualize existing data and put it into context.

User interpret information via graphs, dashboards etc. and make qualified decisions based on available data.

2 ACTIVE ADVISORS

Enriching the existing data and creating recommendation models with *actionable* advice.

From simple implementation of known equations to anomaly detection and machine learning. Humans evaluate output and make qualified decisions based on the recommendations.

3 AUTOMATED CONTROL

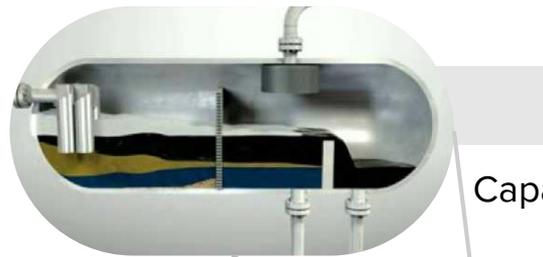
Models directly integrated with the system in question.

Closed loop integration with no human interaction.

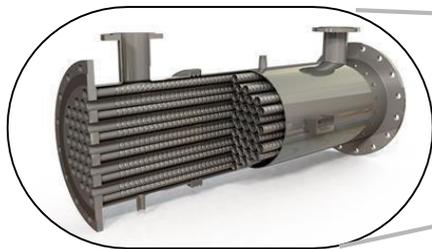


End users need **confidence** in the recommendations! Validation of models, uncertainty estimates, data quality assessments etc.

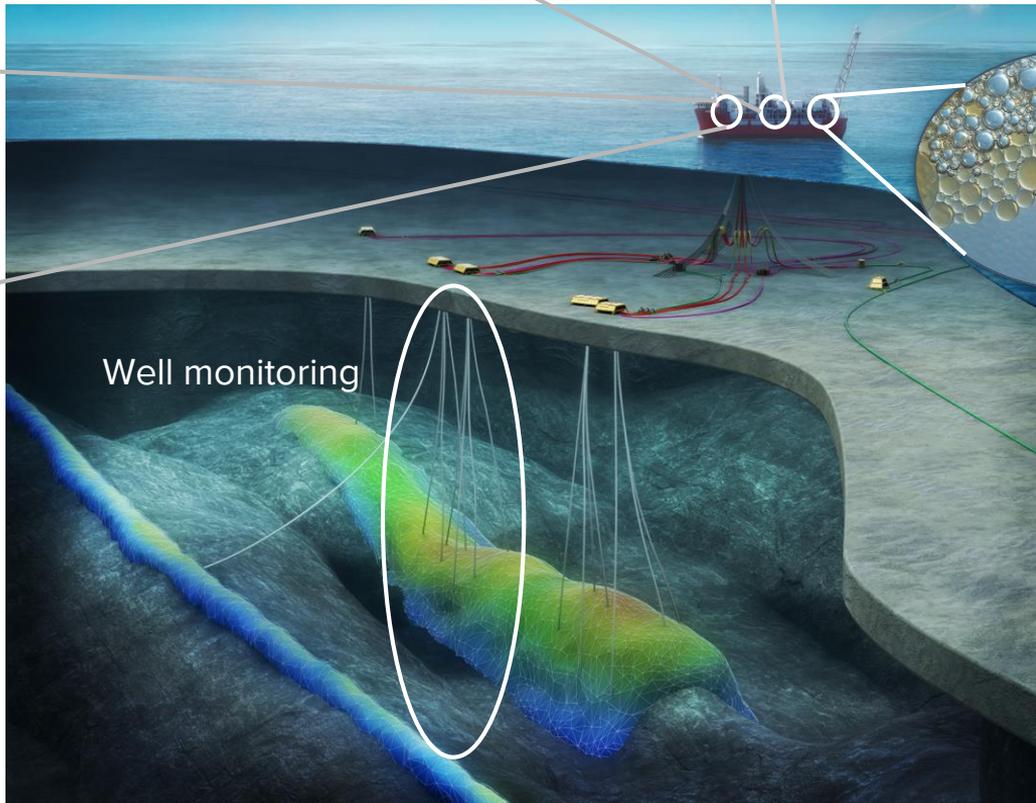
Selected Use-cases



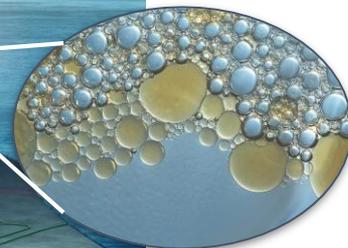
Capacity monitoring



Equipment performance monitoring

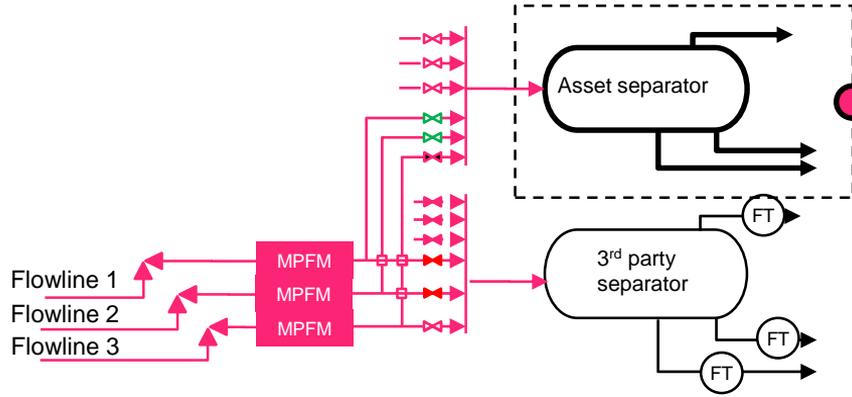


Well monitoring



Separation quality

DYNAMIC MAX LIMIT OF LIQUID -AND GAS THROUGH SEPARATOR DURING CALIBRATION OF MPFM



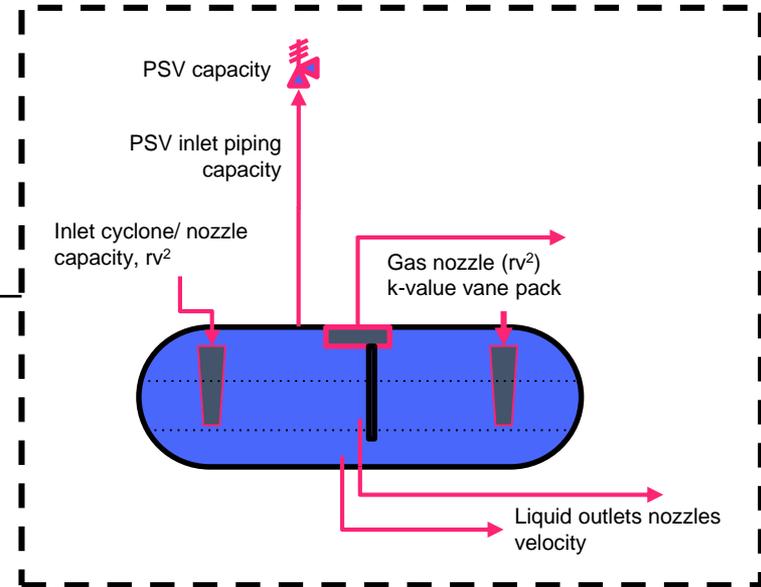
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Increased insight and actionable advice to mitigate production deferral

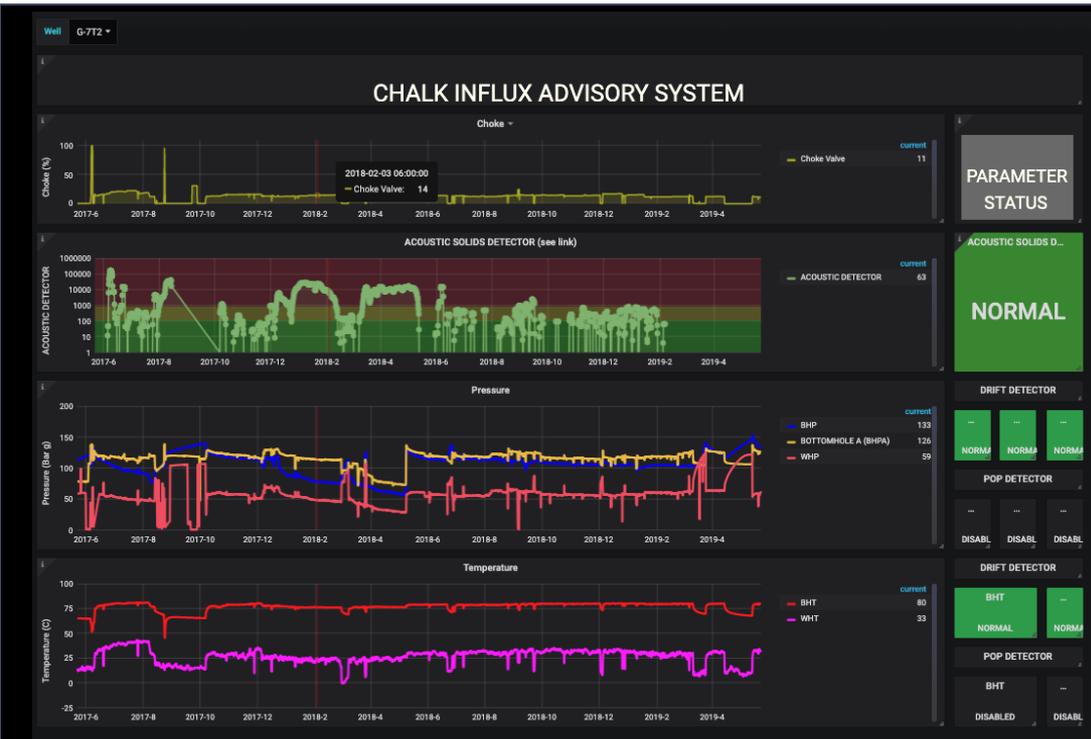
- What is currently limiting production?

~ USD 3.5 MILLION /YR FOR ONE NCS ASSET



PREDICT & PREVENT CHALK INFLUX WELL PLUGGING EVENTS

Live **warning system monitoring all wells**, helping the production engineer focus his/her efforts on potential problems

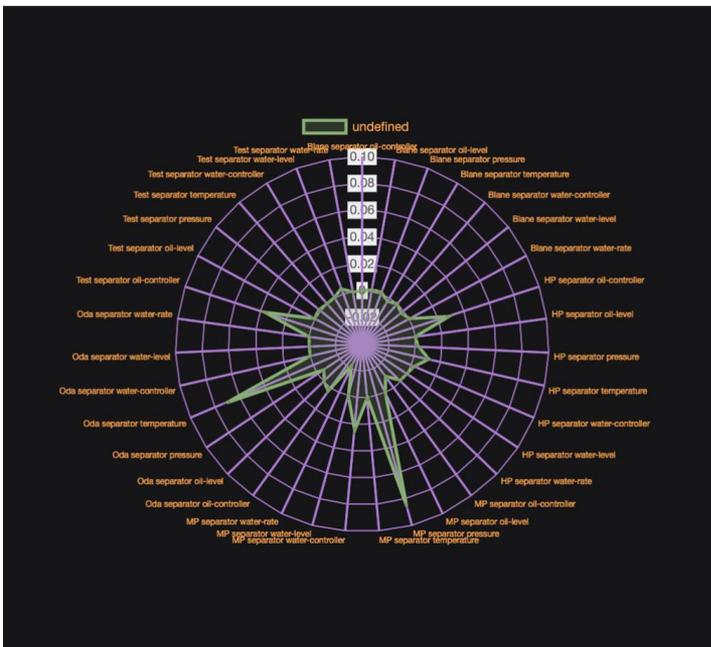


ESTIMATED SAVINGS OF
 ~USD 10-15 MILLION/YR



IMPROVED OIL/WATER SEPARATION

- **correlation analysis**, pinpointing the origin of poor oil/water separation in you system
- **prediction method**, forecasting oil/water separation quality based on current production settings



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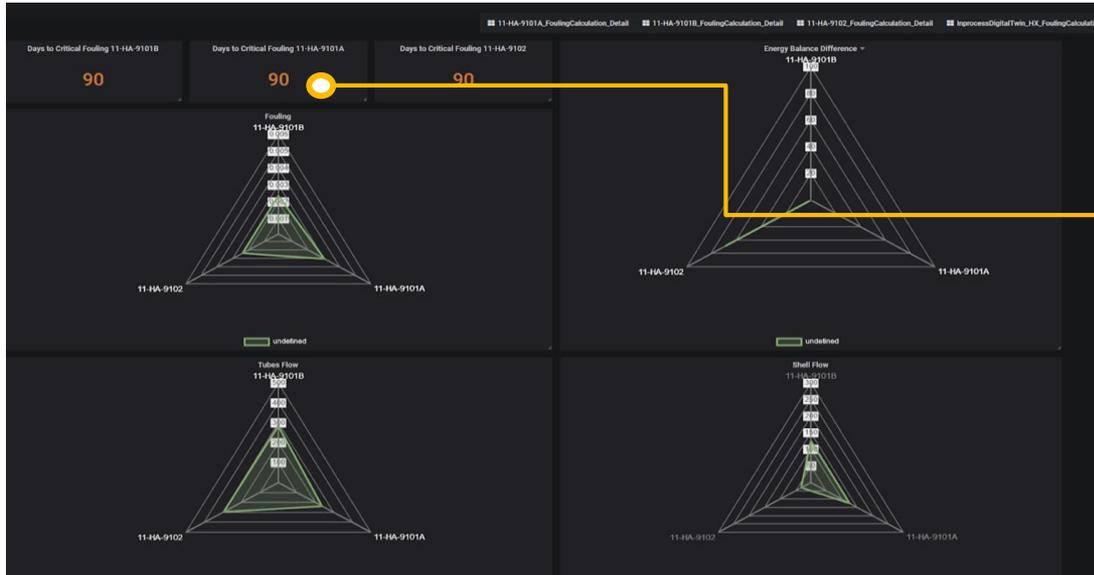
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- Impact from each well template
- Impact by equipment type
- Which parameters are current key contributors to poor oil in water separation



NORWEGIAN OPERATOR ESTIMATES A POTENTIAL OF ~10% INCREASED PRODUCTION

PREDICTING MAINTENANCE INTERVALS USING PHYSICS SIMULATOR COMBINED WITH DATA ANALYTICS, A HYBRID APPROACH



Data driven maintenance decision based on days to critical fouling. Here giving plenty of lead time to plan maintenance activity in advance



Cognite product role

Contextualized data, Grafana integration, simulatoraaS integration

of data sources

3
CMMS, PI, documents

Impact

Reduced unplanned downtime from heat exchanger surprises, improved maintenance planning reducing cost

ENABLING NEW BUSINESS MODELS, ALIGNING OEM AND OPERATOR INCENTIVES THROUGH PERFORMANCE BASED CONTRACT

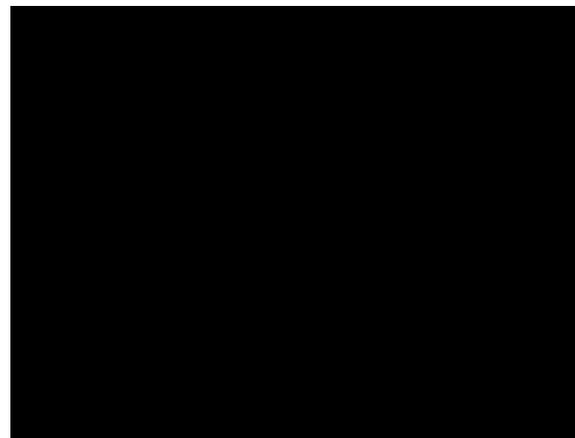
Pump OEM selling uptime rather than equipment enabled by the ease of CDF data sharing capabilities



Performance & remaining useful life status view



Oil monitoring view



Sharing views with operator through embedding their dashboards in Operational Intelligence

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Contextualized data & access, Grafana integration, simulator aaS integration, model hosting

of data sources

6+
CMMS, PI, documents, control system events, oil data, electrical signals

Impact

Aligned incentives resulting in extended maintenance intervals



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