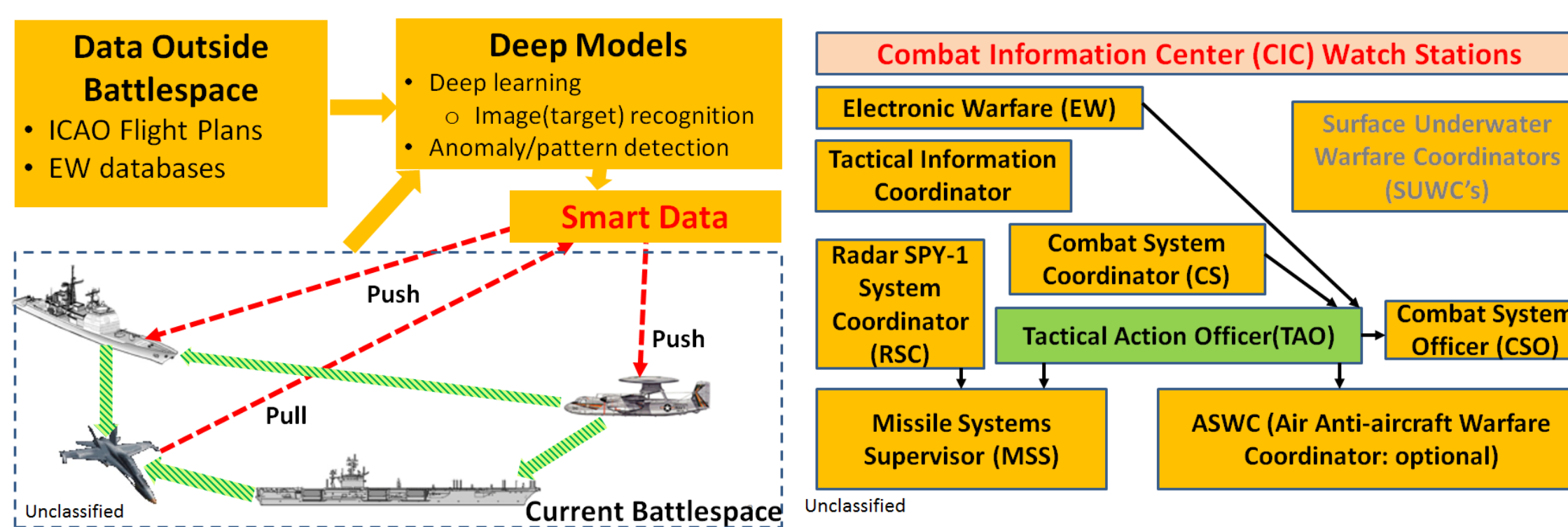


Big Picture and Challenges



Common Tactical Air Picture (CTAP)

- Collects, processes, and analyzes data from a vast network of sensors, platforms, and decision-makers
- Provides situational awareness to air warfare decision-makers

Combat Identification (CID)

- Locates and identifies critical airborne objects as friendly, hostile, or neutral with high precision

CID goals in general are to

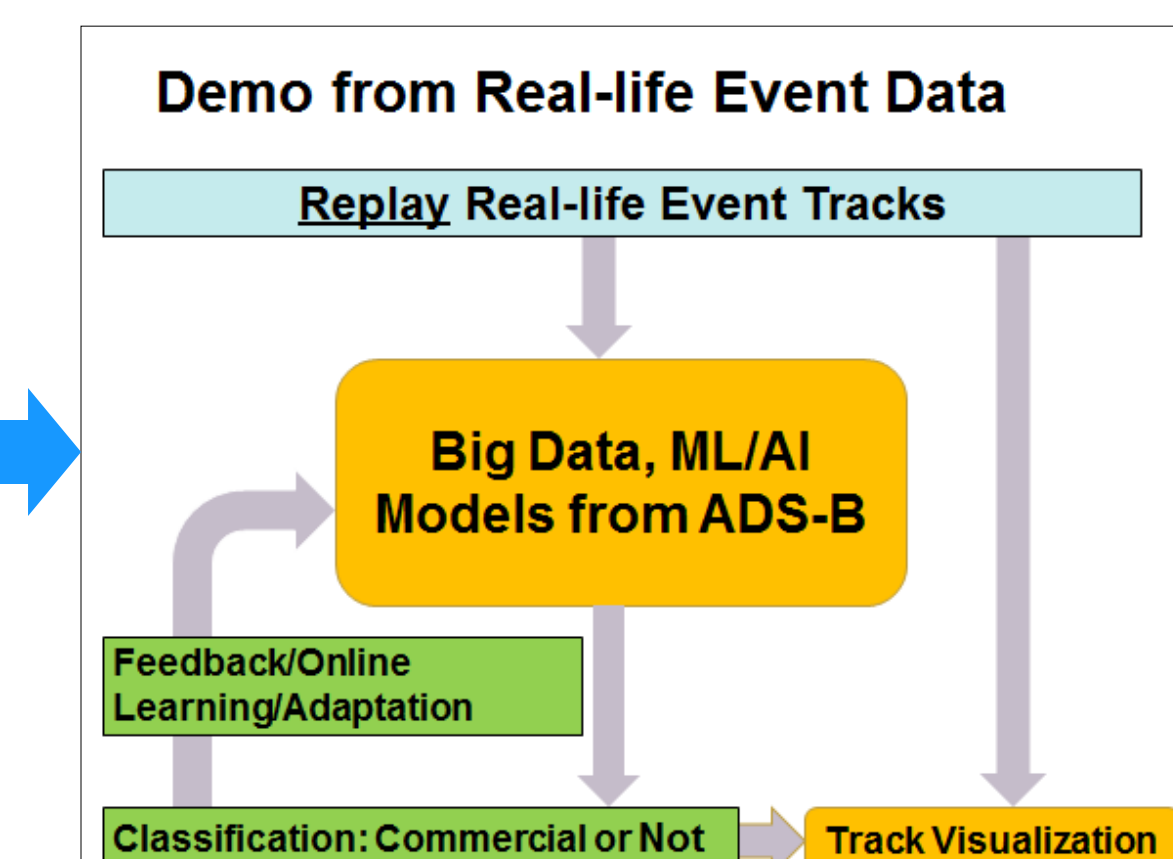
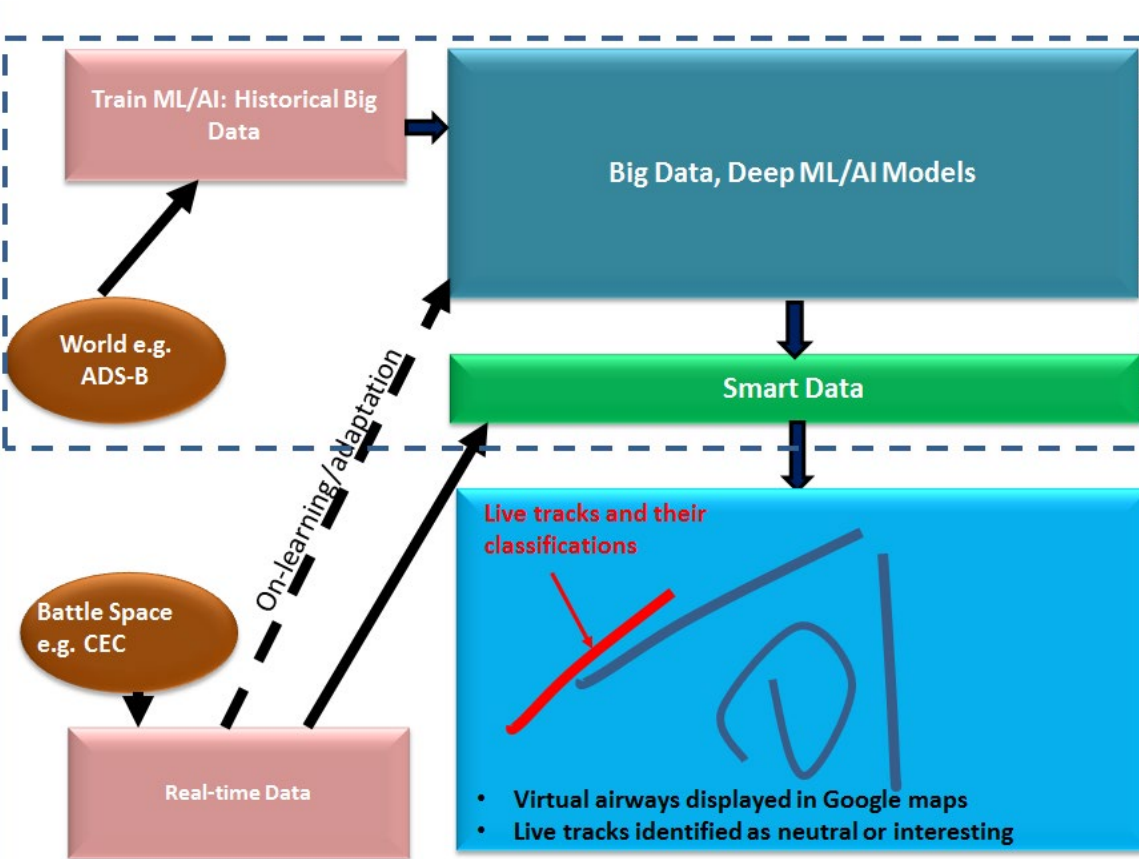
- Increase fidelity
- Reduce cognitive burden
- Reduce latency

The demo shows the feasibility of applying ML/AI methods to accurately classify military aircraft or not.

The data can be extended to include

- UAS patrol patterns
- Adversarial air tracks
- Surface tracks

Tactical Server Concept



Goal: Identify Commercial Flights Using Kinematic Attributes

- Demo Data : Data set 6_0 (adsb_v1_wallops_6_0)
 - train on (1.3M tracks)
 - 2016-06-10
 - 2016-06-11
 - 2016-06-12
 - 2016-06-13
 - test on (340,000 tracks)
 - 2016-06-14

For each track, compute kinematics features:

- Average altitude up to time t
- Average altitude change up to time t
- Average absolute altitude change up to time t
- Average speed up to time t
- Average speed change up to time t
- Average absolute speed change up to time t
- Average heading change up to time t
- Average absolute heading change up to time t
- Total altitude change up to time t
- Total altitude absolute change up to time t
- Total heading change up to time t
- Total absolute heading change up to time t
- Total speed change up to time t
- Total absolute speed change up to time t
- Total track duration up to time t

Open Source ADS-B Data

- ADS-B supports separation assurance and traffic flow management (FAA Order 8200.45); broadcasts and self-reports ID and location
- ICAO uses ADS-B-enabled Mode-S devices

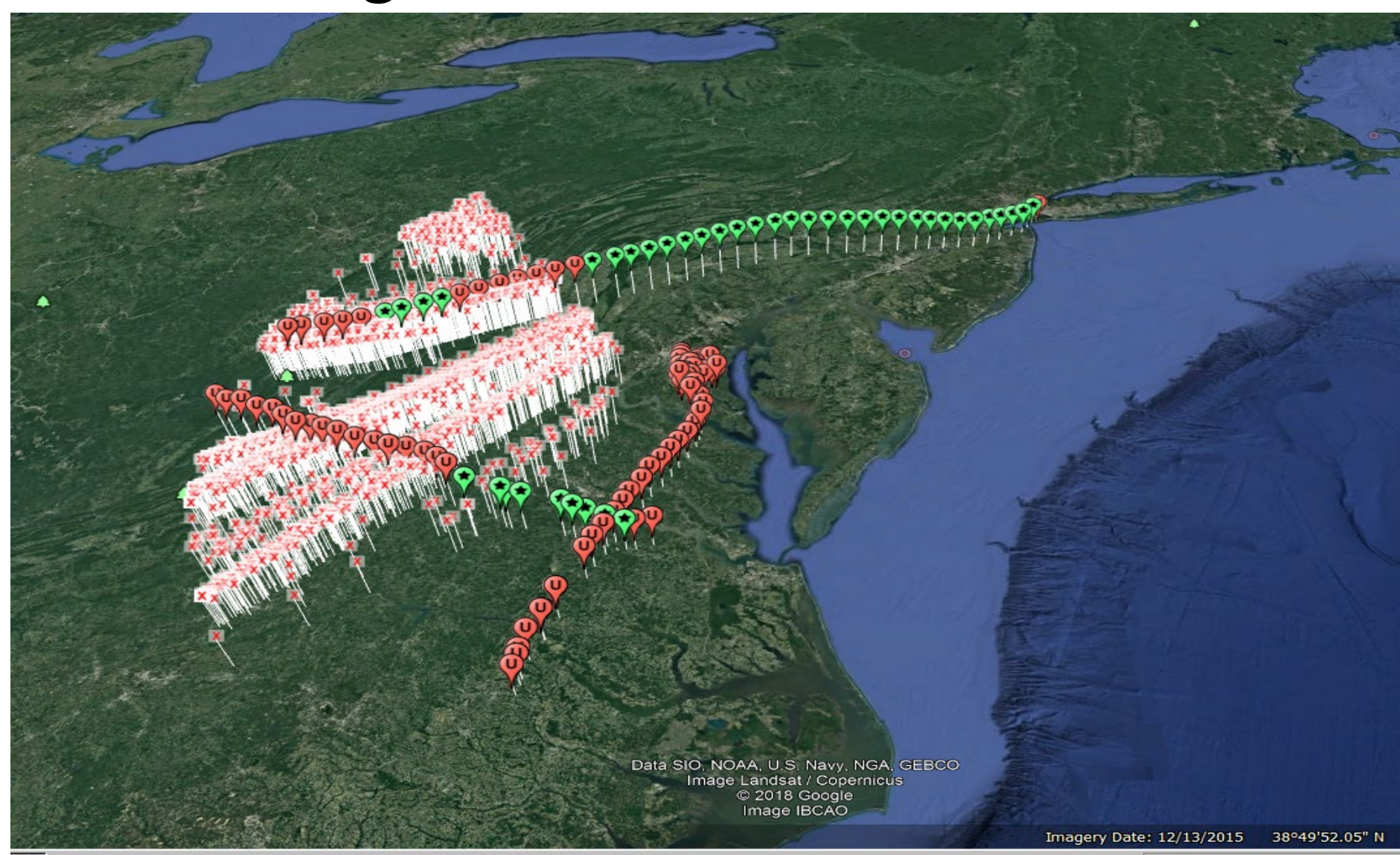
- Download one year JSON ADS-B (8/2016-3/2017) 4 TB
- Use NPS High Performance Computing (HPC) to select fields and areas for 3 months Smart data ~10G

- Perform Analytics:
 - Pre-condition: generate derived fields (16) for tracks, e.g., average absolute heading change
 - Lexical link analysis to discover initial predictive rules
 - Soar reinforcement learning to predict commercial or not
 - Compare with other ML/AI algorithms
 - Track visualization

Table 1: 3-month ADS-B Data Divided into 7 Data Sets

Name	Month of Data
Data set 7.1	July, 2016, Train
Data set 7.0	July, 2016, Test
Data set 7.2	July, 2016, Test
Data set 8.0	August, 2016, Test
Data set 8.1	August, 2016, Test
Data set 6.0	June, 2016, Test
Data set 6.1	June, 2016, Test

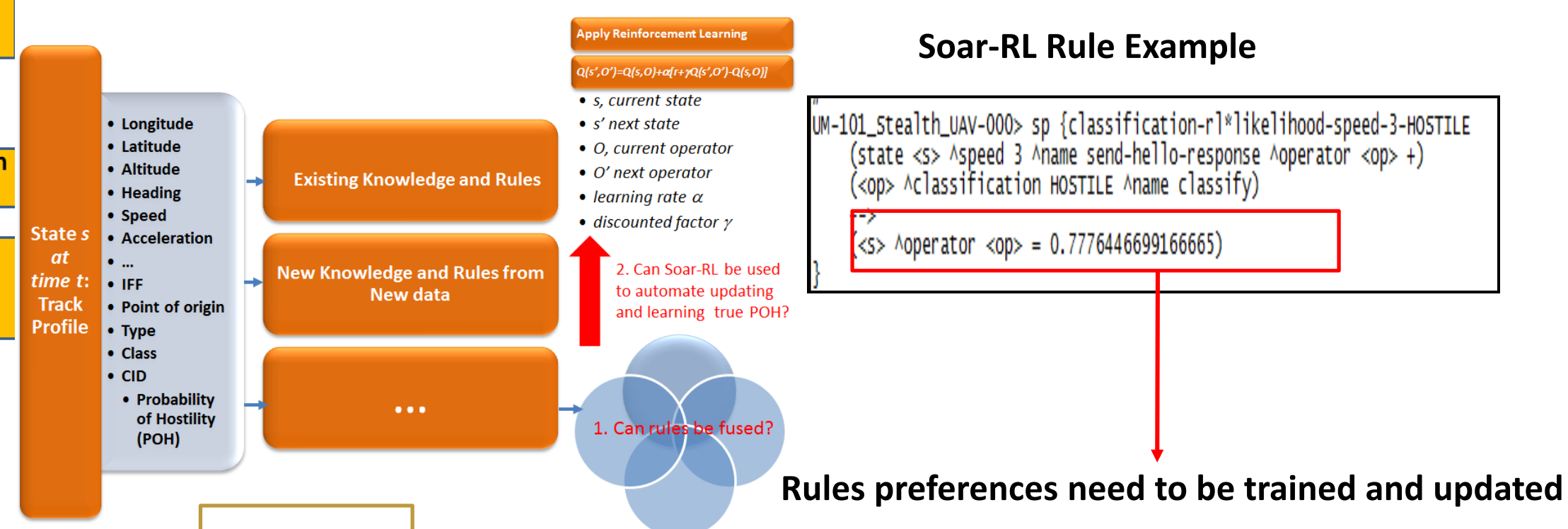
Visualizing Tracks with Predicted Scores



ML/AI Algorithm: Combine Soar Reinforcement Learning (Soar-RL) with Lexical Link Analysis (LLA)

Soar: An open-source cognitive architecture and rule-based AI tool including reinforcement learning and long-term memory, developed by University of Michigan (Laird, 2012)

Lexical Link Analysis: Text/data mining method to discover initial correlations and rules

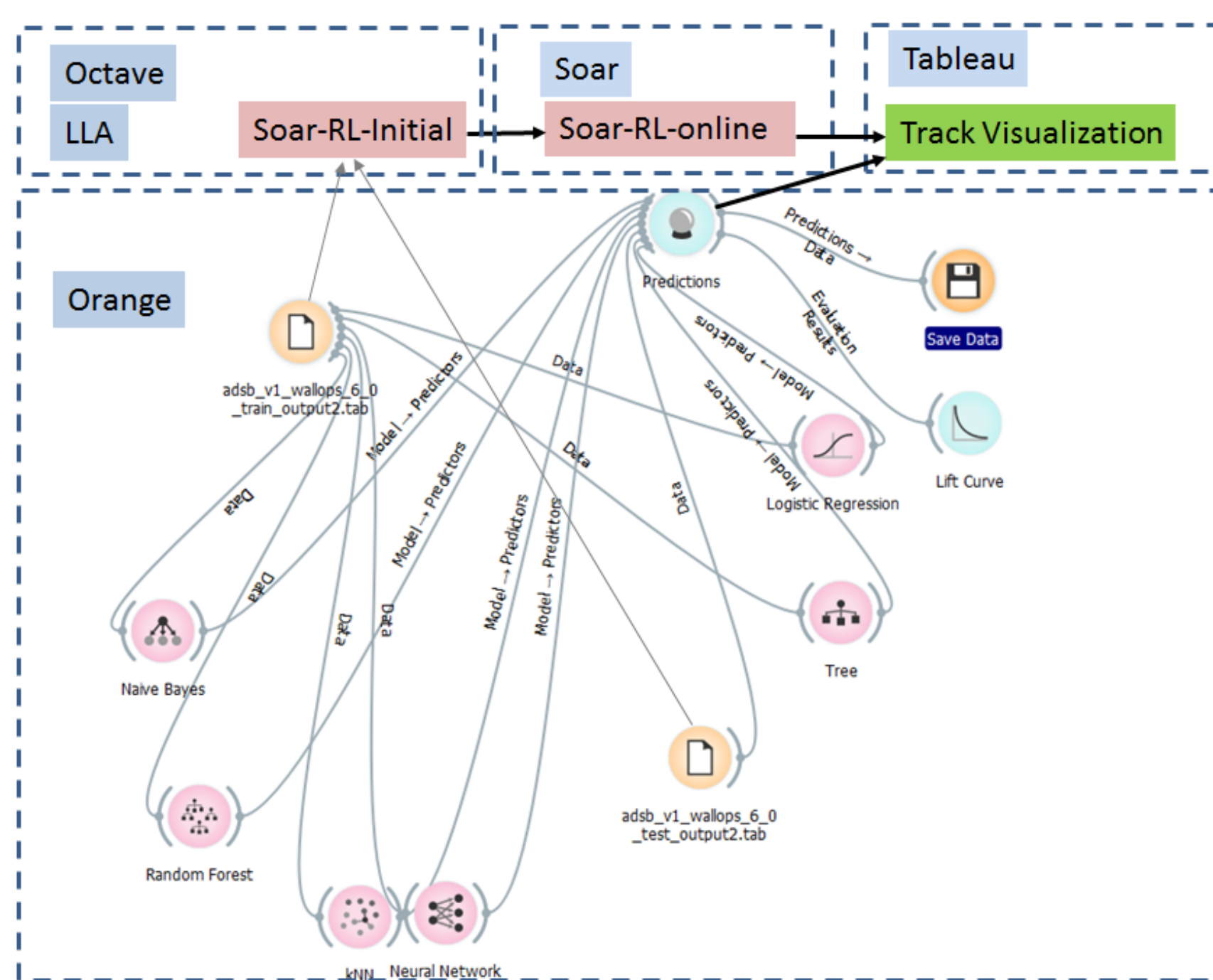


As shown in Equation (1), Soar-RL is implemented in a typical RL implementation involving a recursive formula that is widely accepted in the RL research and literature. Since we only consider an on-policy setting or SARSA, $Q(s_{t+1}, a) = 0$ in Equation (1). Therefore, $Q(s_{t+1}, a_{t+1})$ is updated continuously for each time point and immediate reward r .

$$Q(s_{t+1}, a_{t+1}) = Q(s_t, a_t) + \alpha[r + \gamma \max_{a \in A} Q(s_{t+1}, a) - Q(s_t, a_t)] \quad (1)$$

(<https://soar.eecs.umich.edu/downloads/Documentation/SoarManual.pdf>: page 145)

Comparing Soar-RL with Other Methods: All ML/AI Methods/Tools Used



Results: % of Commercial Flights Ranked by Predicted Scores

	Top 50% of Test Tracks (170,000) (Predicted commercial)	Bottom 50% of Test Tracks	Tracks as whole (Average)
Tree	99.32%	96.71%	
Naïve Bayes	99.03%	97.02%	
Random Forest	99.27%	96.77%	
kNN	99.32%	96.71%	
Neural Network	99.44%	96.59%	
Soar-RL	99.23%	96.81%	
			98%

Conclusion and Future Work

- Big data, deep analytics, and ML/AI algorithms are important for implementing a Tactical Server for CTAP and CID for classifying and predicting intent of airborne objects
- The Soar-RL/LLA methodology produces predictive results similar to other ML/AI methods but possesses the following advantages:
 - It uses rule-based reinforcement learning and so more easily incorporates new knowledge discovered from big data into its existing knowledge
 - It is an online training method, so the learning can be adapted in a new environment
- Future work
 - Class and type recognition need more data sources such as ICAO, FAA, ELINT (e.g., RF)
 - Pattern of life needs unsupervised learning and planning algorithms