

Bayes from Cell to Chip

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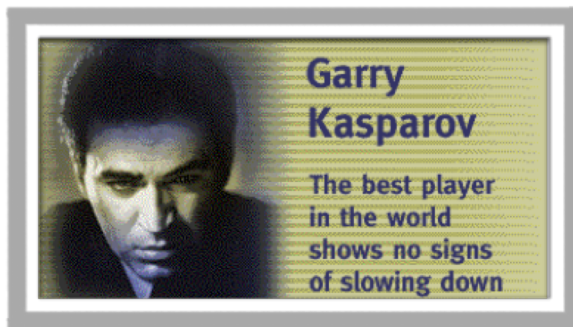
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Topics

- Logic or probability as a paradigm of rationality ?
- Bayesian programming ?
- Is Brain Bayesian ? Is Cell Bayesian ?
- Probabilistic hardware for AI ?

Close and open problems

Who is the cleverest ?



Close and open problems

Examples

Close

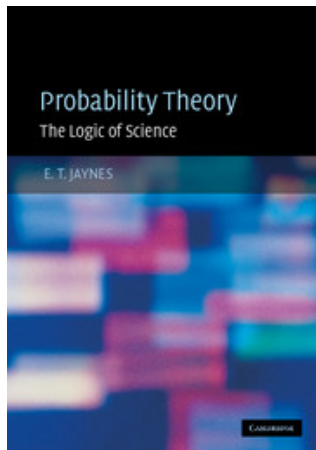
- Accounting
- SQL request
- Text, image, and video compression

Open

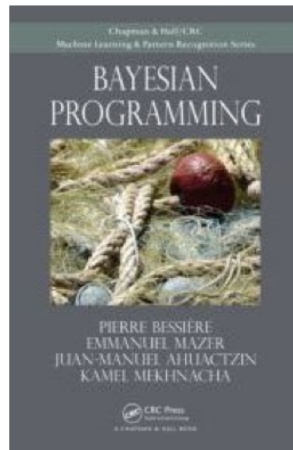
- Financial **decision**
- Web **search**
- Text, image and video **classification**
- Sensors acquisition, **fusion** and classification
- Medical, mechanical and electronic **diagnostic**
- Fraud and malevolent behaviours **detection**
- Financial, natural and industrial **risk prevision**
- Robots, drones and cars **control** and **autonomy**

Close problems have been solved by past computer science
Open problems have to be solved by future computer science

To go further: Probability as an extension of logic



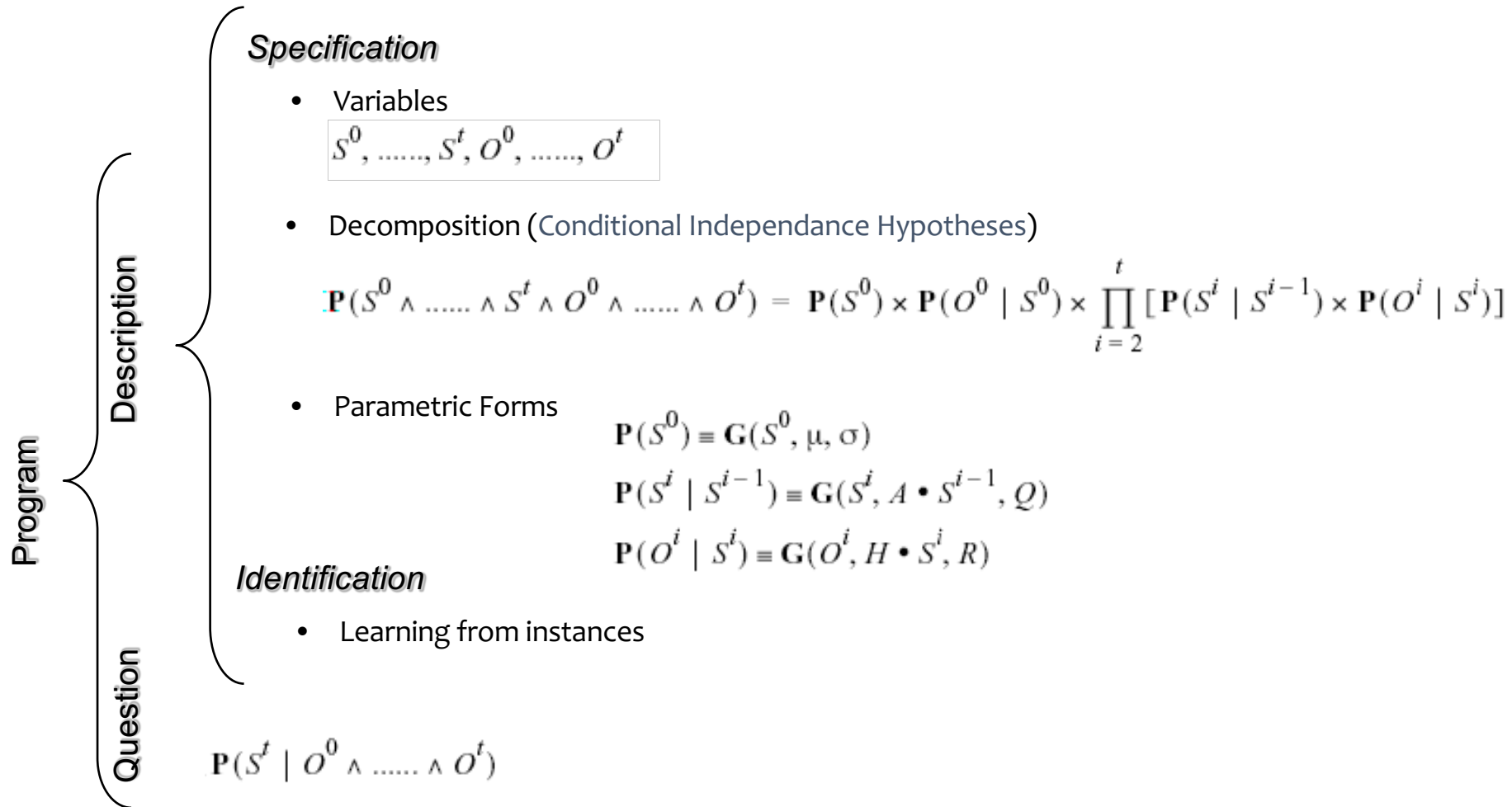
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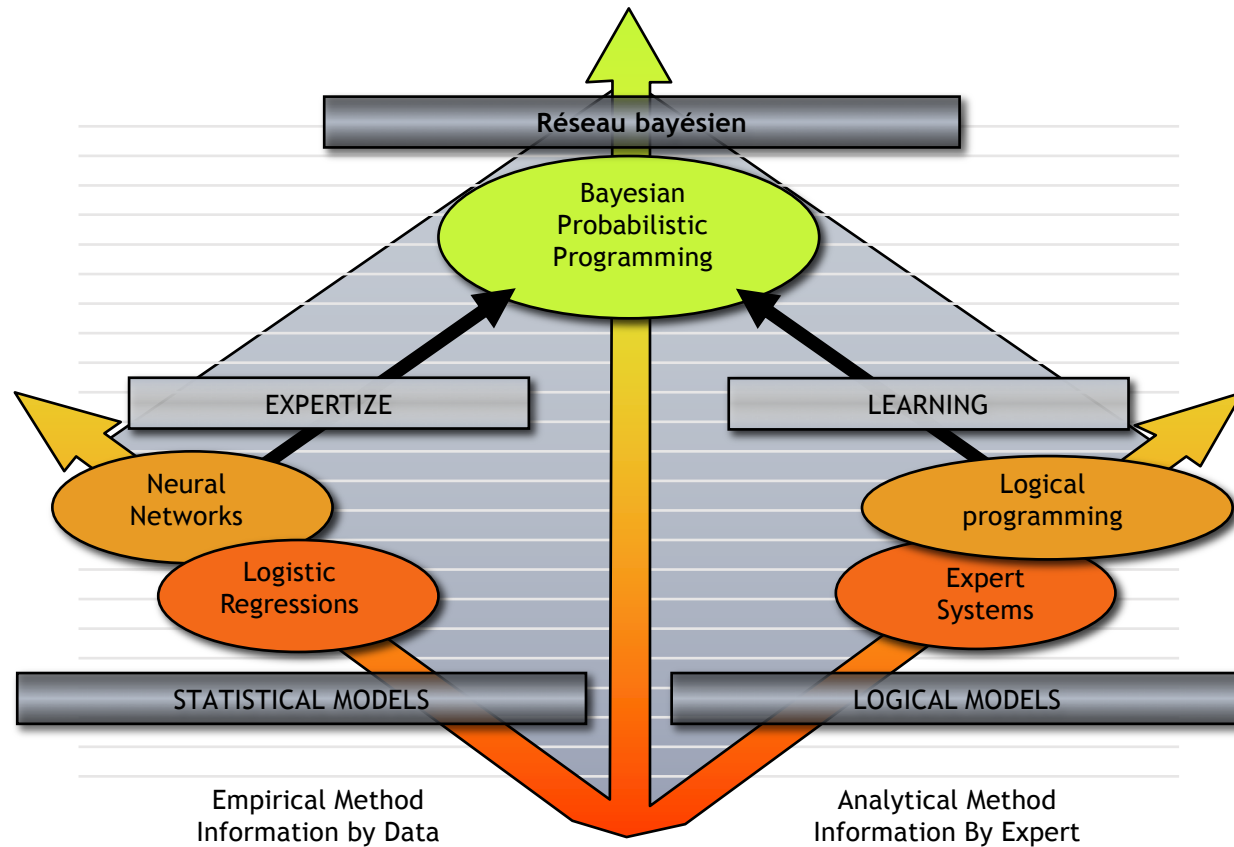
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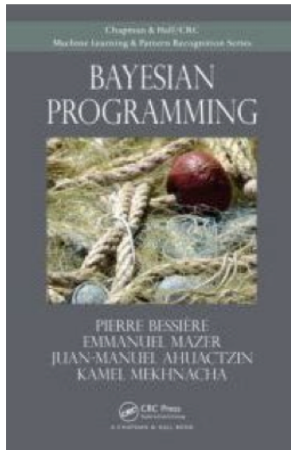
Bayesian Programming



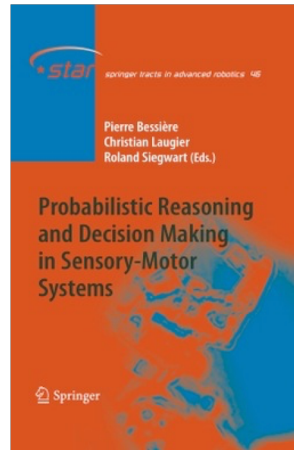
BP in between learning and programming



To go further: Bayesian programming methodology and applications



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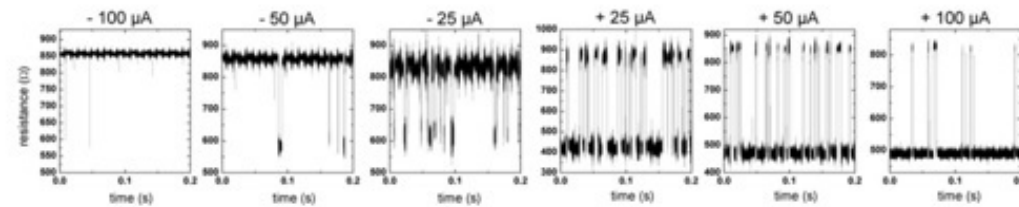
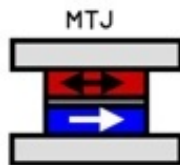
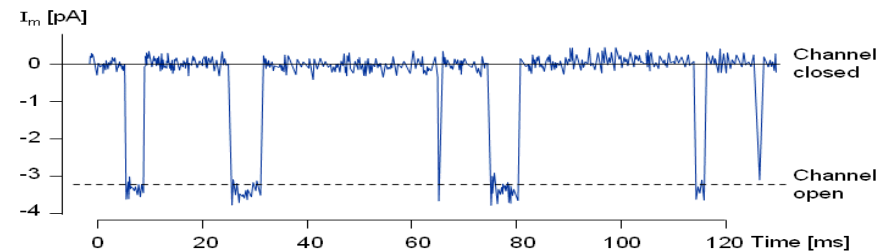
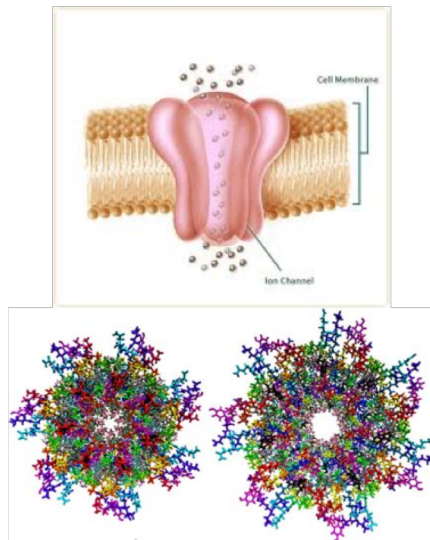


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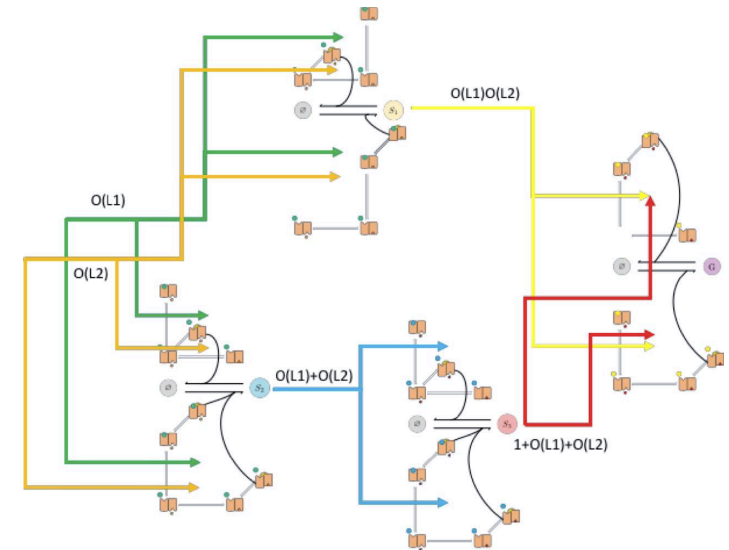
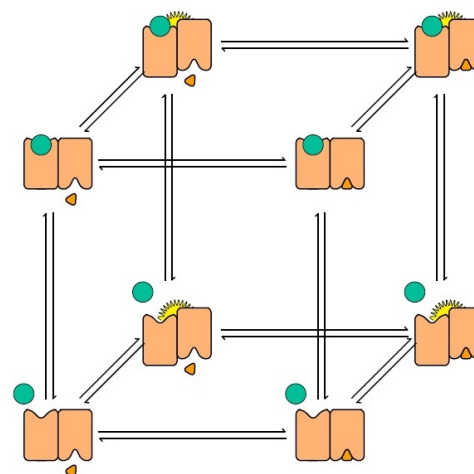
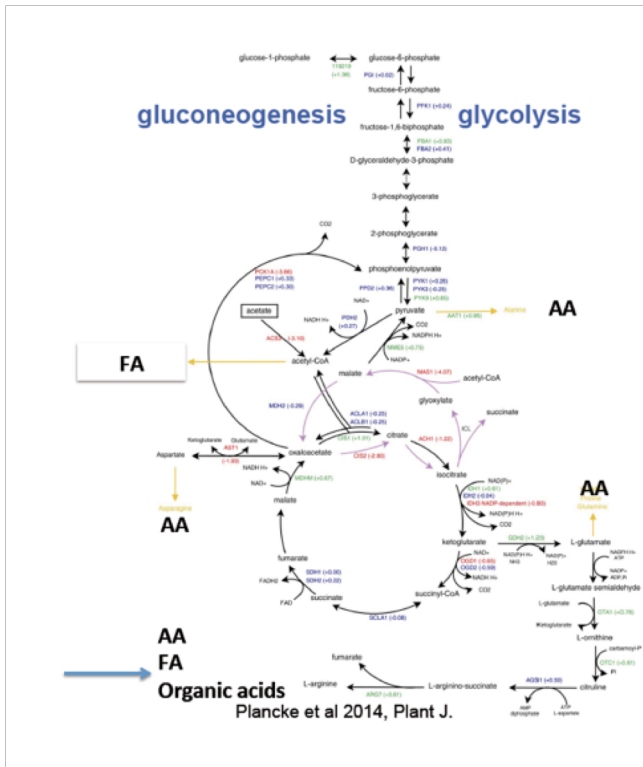
Stochastic bit generation



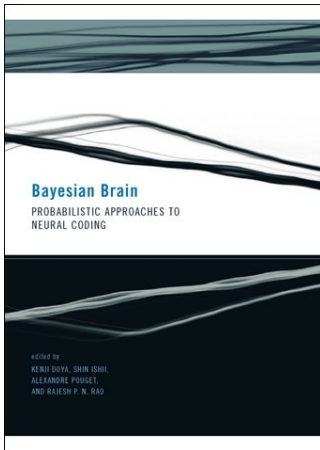
A Bayesian vision on cell signaling

Markov Chain model of macromolecular configuration dynamics:
Equilibrium state = RFNC = Result of Prob. Inference

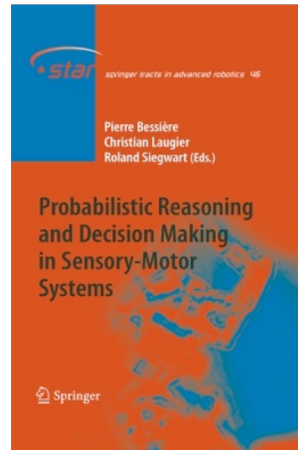
Cascade of macromolecules and messengers to perform a phototactic behavior (Colliaux et al, 2017)



To go further: Bayesian biology and psychology



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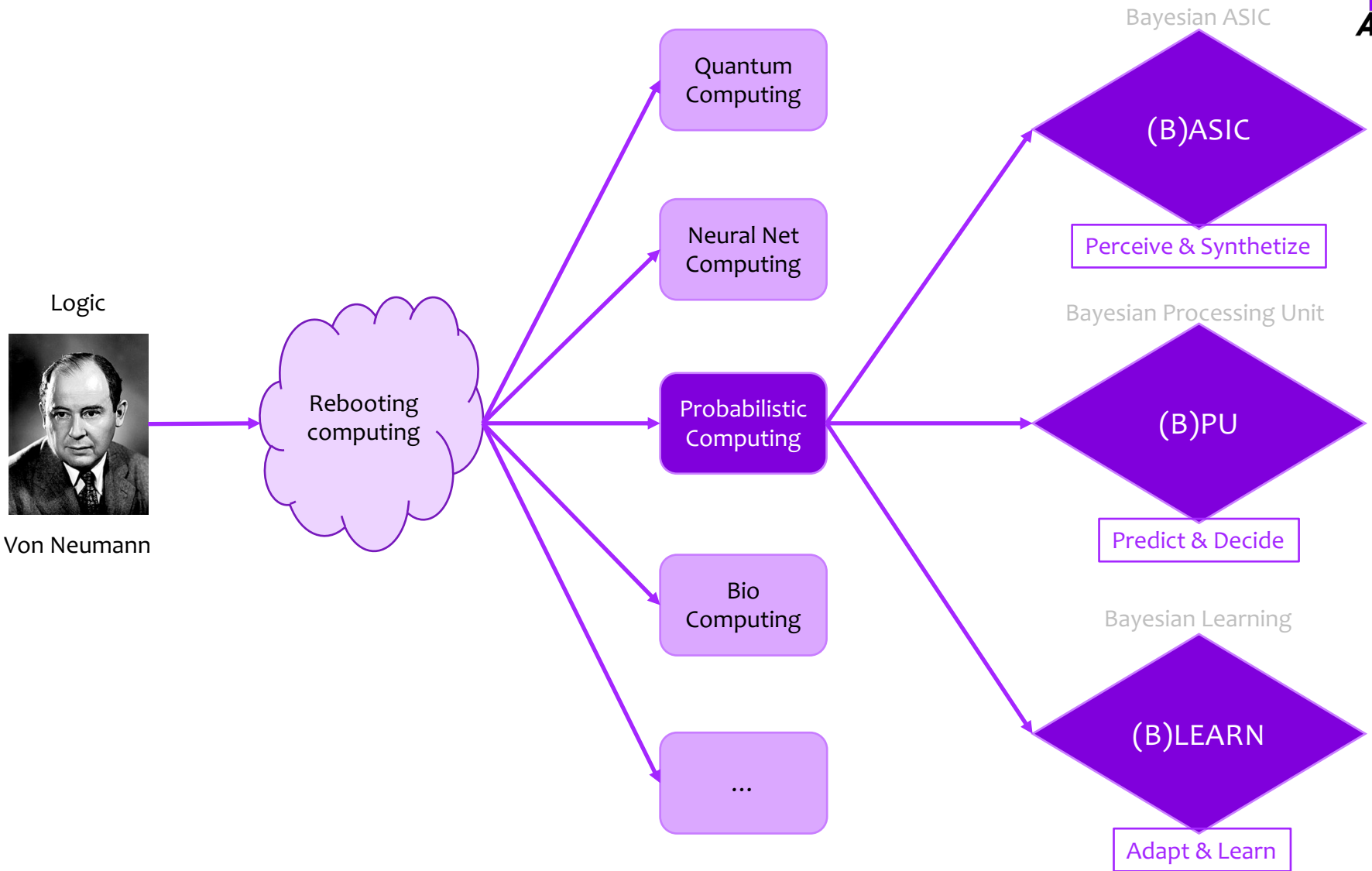
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Hardware for AI

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Develop and promote
Mathematical methods, algorithms
Electronic components, circuits
Integrated electronic devices and machines
For
Probabilistic Artificial Intelligence

Intel and Probabilistic Hardware

« We plan to develop technology that integrates probabilistic models and Monte Carlo inference into programming languages, compilers, runtime systems, and microarchitectures »

Mike Mayberry, Intel CTO, 10 may 2018

Probabilistic hardware for AI

- Acceleration of existing MCMC algorithms on FPGA (now)
- ★ • (B)ASIC : Ultra-low power consumption stochastic ASIC for IoT (3 years - IP cores)
- ★ • (B)PU : Very high throughput MCMC coprocessors for simulation and prediction (5 years – IP cores)
- (B)Learn : Circuits with online learning and adaptation capabilities (7 years)

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Constellation of sensors



Large industrial equipment monitoring



Natural risk monitoring



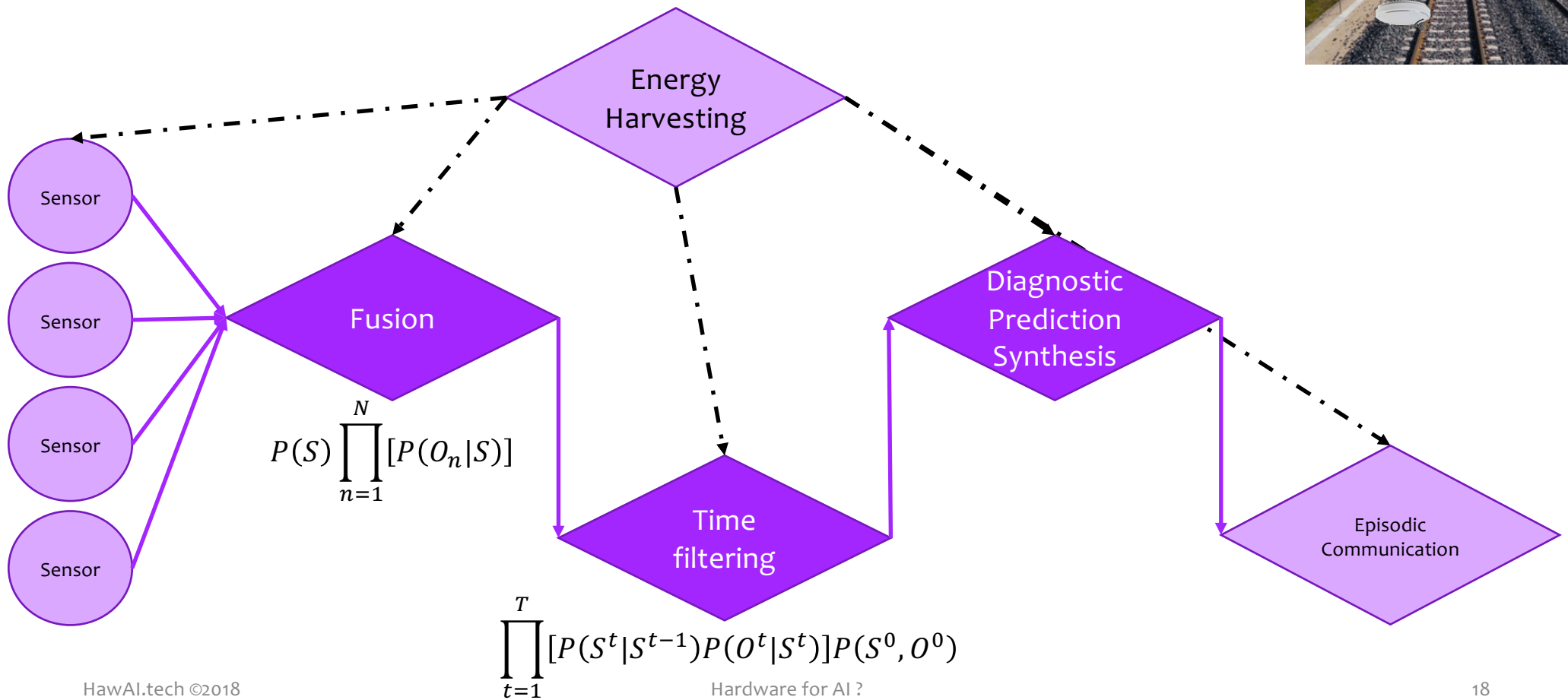
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A4H Virtual Visit

Building and objects monitoring



Constellation of sensors



Constellation of sensors

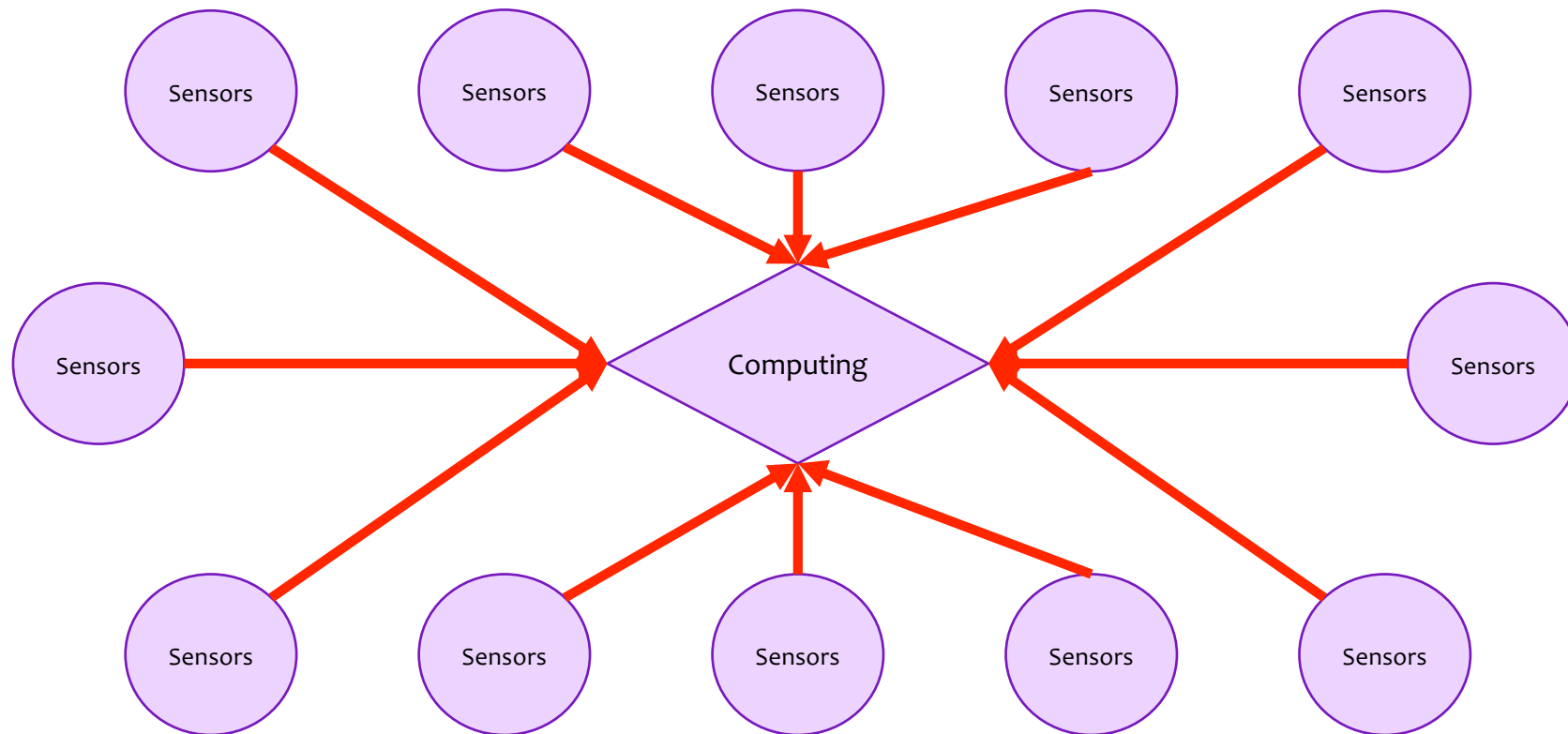
Examples

- Large industrial equipment monitoring
 - Railways
 - Electrical grids
 - Nuclear plants
 - Water and sewer networks
 - Bridges
 - ...
- Natural risk monitoring
 - Landslide
 - Floods
 - Forest fires
 - Agricultural monitoring
 - Hurricanes watch
 - ...
- Building and objects monitoring
 - Elder safety
 - Energy savings
 - Robbery prevention
 - ...



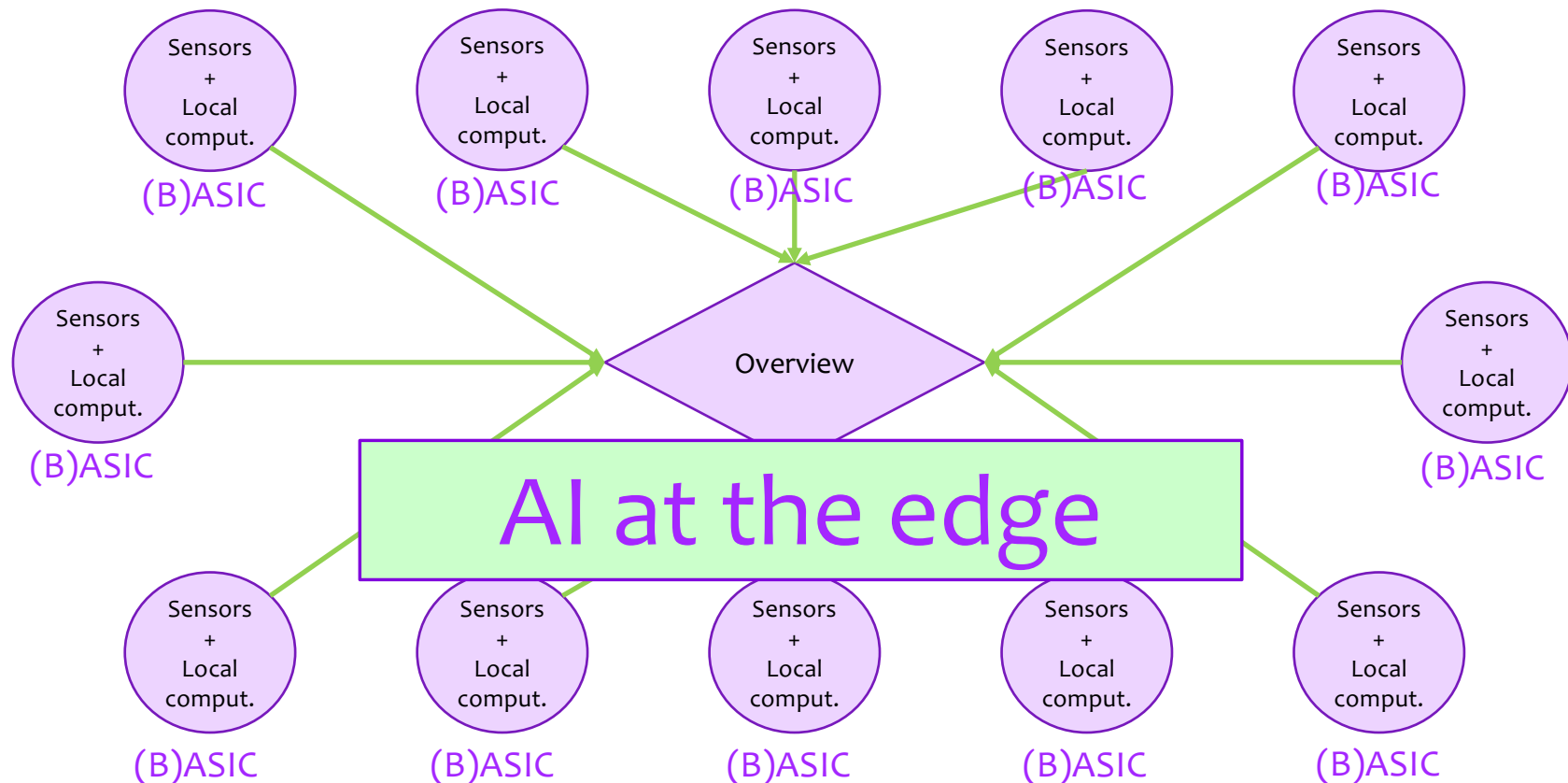
Edge computing

- High bandwidth
- High energy
- Complicated maintenance



Edge computing

- low bandwidth
- low energy
- simple maintenance

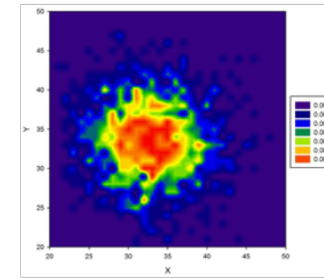
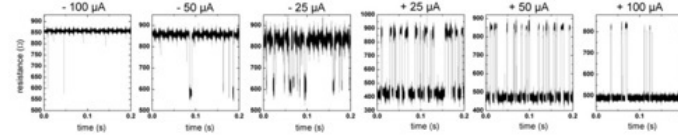
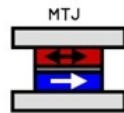
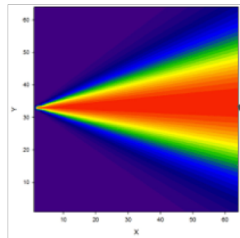
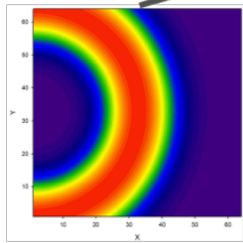
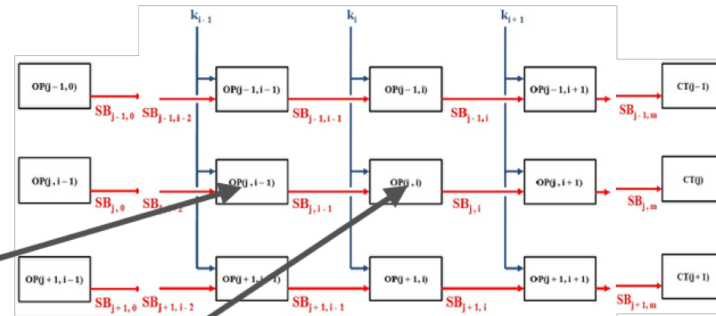
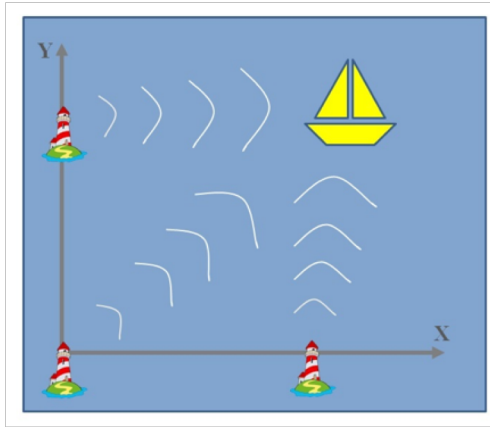


Probabilistic fusion and time filtering

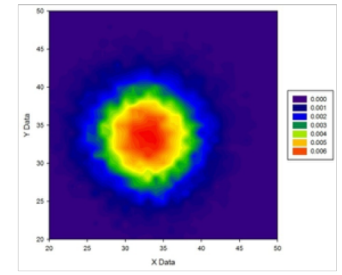
$$P(S, O_1, \dots, O_N) = P(S) \prod_{n=1}^N [P(O_n|S)]$$

$$P(S^{0 \rightarrow T}, O^{0 \rightarrow T}) = \prod_{t=1}^T [P(S^t|S^{t-1})P(O^t|S^t)]P(S^0, O^0)$$

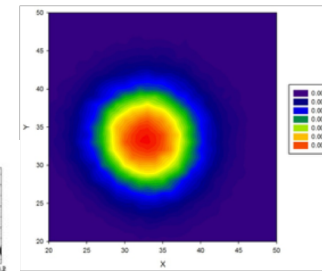
(B)ASIC stochastic architecture



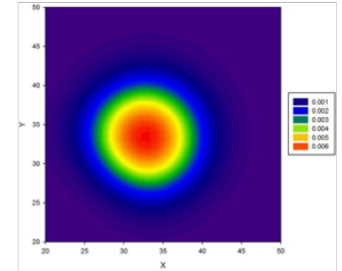
7 clock cycles



100 clock cycles



1000 clock cycles



Exact inference

Bayesian ASIC for IoT

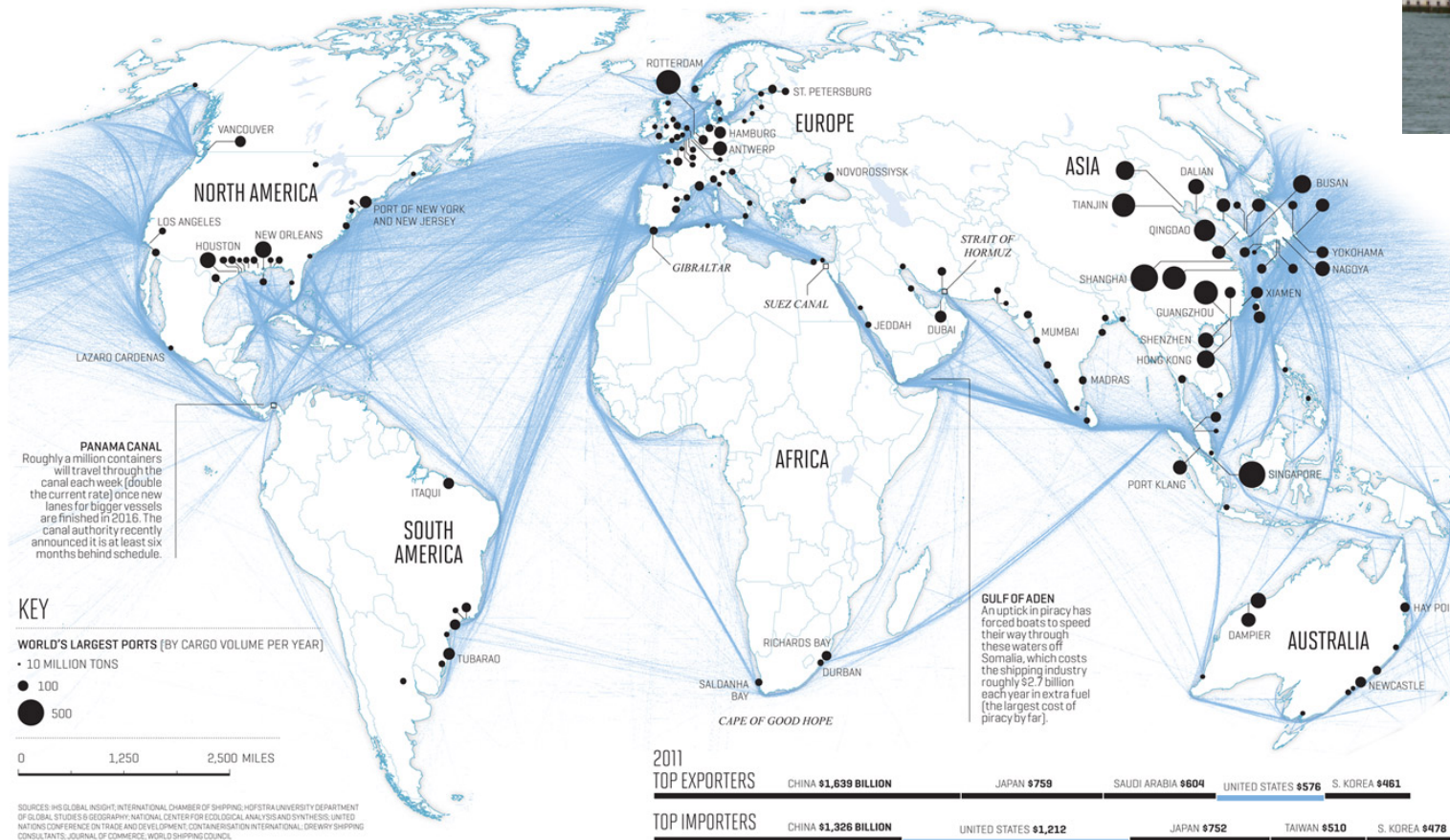
- Continuous or as needed monitoring of signals
- Synthesis for episodic transmission
- Very low power consumption for sensor fusion and time filtering
- IP cores for specific applications
- AI at the edge

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(B)PU : Very high throughput MCMC
programmable coprocessors for simulation and
prediction (5 years – IP cores)

Supply chains simulation



Supply chains simulation



Where and when will the empty containers
be returned to be filled again?

- 10^6 Containers
- 10^2 Hubs
- 10^3 Harbours
- 10^4 Repositories
- 10^7 Clients



24 hours of computation once a week



(B)PU

10 minutes twice a day
with 10 times more samples

Probabilistic inference -> MCMC

$$P(S|k) \propto \sum_F [P(S, k, F)]$$

(B)PU architecture

Patents

MCMC

Examples

- ★ • Price prediction
- ★ • Risk analysis and management
- ★ • Logistic prediction
 - Physical simulation
 - Meteorology and climate prediction
- ★ • Supply chain simulation and management
 - Project management
 - Computer graphics
- ★ • Predictive maintenance
- ★ • Video games AI
 - Localization of victims for rescue
 - ...

Bayesian Processing Unit

- Coprocessor to simulate, predict and decide
- MCMC hardware accelerator
- Inferring with incomplete and uncertain knowledge

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Team

5 young PhD for the core team:

- Jean Simatic (CEO)
- Karim Cherkaoui
- Marvin Faix
- Raphael Frisch
- Raphael Laurent



4 experienced CNRS scientific advisers:

- Pierre Bessière
- Jacques Droulez
- Damien Querlioz
- Emmanuel Mazer



1 Business developer:

- Jean-François Miribel



2 serial start-up creators:

- Jean-François Miribel
- Emmanuel Mazer

3 Business angels:

- Pierre Bessière
- Emmanuel Mazer
- Jean-François Miribel

1 Industrial associate

Looking for clients with real applications

Looking for Corporate VCs for series A