

# Interpretable Machine Learning with rsparkling

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# Agenda

- What/who is H2O?
- H2O Platform
- H2O Sparkling Water
- sparklyr
- rsparkling
- Interpretable Machine Learning

# H2O.ai

## H2O Company

- Team : 100+. Founded in 2012, Mountain View, CA
  - Stanford Math & Systems Engineers
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## H2O Software

- Open Source Software (<https://github.com/h2oai/h2o-3>)
- Ease of Use via Web Interface (H2O Flow)
- R, Python, Scala, Spark, and Hadoop Interfaces
- Distributed Algorithms Scale to Big Data



# Current Algorithm Overview

## Statistical Analysis

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- Linear Models (GLM)
- Naïve Bayes

## Ensembles

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- Random Forest
- Distributed Trees
- Gradient Boosting Machine
- Super Learner Ensembles

## Deep Neural Networks

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- Multi-layer Feed-Forward Neural Network
- Auto-encoder
- Anomaly Detection
- Deep Features

## Clustering

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- K-Means

## Dimension Reduction

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- Principal Component Analysis
- Generalized Low Rank Models

## Solvers & Optimization

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- Generalized ADMM Solver
- L-BFGS (Quasi Newton Method)
- Ordinary Least-Square Solver
- Stochastic Gradient Descent

## Data Munging

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- Scalable Data Frames
- Sort ,Slice, Log Transform

# H2O Components

H2O Cluster

Distributed Key  
Value Store

H2O Frame

- Multi-node cluster with share memory model
- All computations are in memory
- Each node only sees some rows of the data
- No limit on cluster size
- Objects in the H2O cluster such as data frames, models and results are all reference by key
- Any node in the cluster can access any object in the cluster by key.
- Distributed data frames (collection of vectors).
- Columns are distributed (across nodes) arrays
- Each node must be able to see the entire dataset (achieved by HDFS, S3, or multiple copies of the data if it is a CSV file).

# H2O in Spark

*Spark*  + H<sub>2</sub>O

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SPARKLING  
**WATER**

# H2O Sparkling Water

## Spark Integration

- Sparkling Water is a transparent integration of H2O into the Spark ecosystem.
- H2O runs inside of the Spark Executor JVM.

## Benefits

- Provides advanced machine learning algorithms to Spark workflows.
- Alternative to default Mllib library in Spark.

## Sparkling Shell

- Sparkling Shell is just a standard Spark shell with addition Sparkling Water classes.
- Export MASTER="local-cluster[3,2,1024]"
- Spark-shell -jars sparkling-water.jar

<https://github.com/h2oai/sparkling-water>

# Sparkling Water Ecosystem

## Scala: Sparkling Water

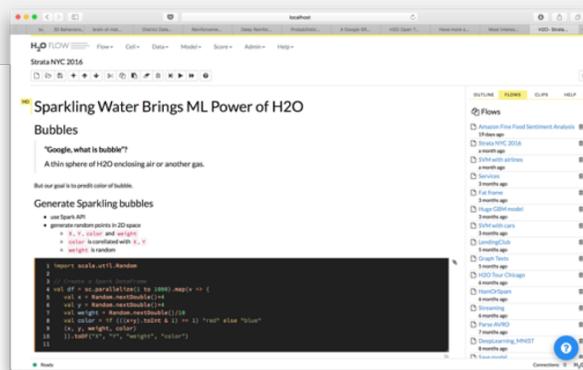
Spark

```
val sc = SparkContext.getOrCreate(...)

val df = sc.parallelize(1 to 10).toDF

val h2oContext =
H2OContext.getOrCreate(sc)

val hf = h2oContext.asH2OFrame(df)
```



## Python: PySparkling Water

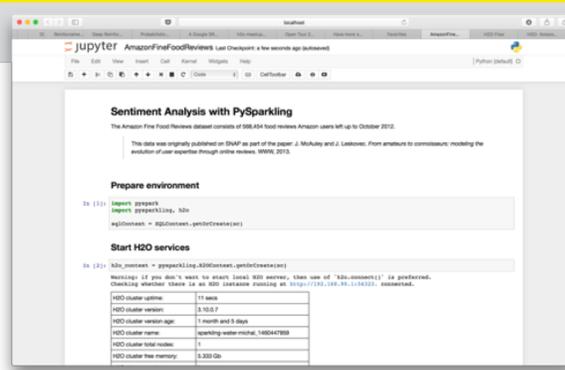
PySpark

```
sc = SparkContext(...)

df = sc.parallelize(range(1,11))
    .toDF("int")

h2o_context =
H2OContext.getOrCreate(sc)

hf = h2o_context.as_h2o_frame(df)
```



## R: RSparkling Water

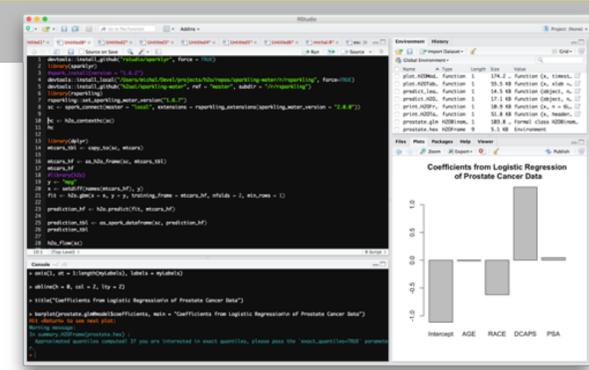
sparklyr

```
sc <- spark_connect(...)

tbl <- data_frame(c(1:10))
df <- copy_to(sc, tbl)

hc <- h2o_context(sc)

hf <- as_h2o_frame(sc, df)
```



sparklyr

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dplyr

ML

Extensions

Apache Spark

# sparklyr

- Connect to Spark from R.
- The sparklyr package provides a complete dplyr backend.
- Filter and aggregate Spark datasets then bring them into R for analysis and visualization.
- Use Spark's distributed machine learning library from R.
- Create extensions that call the full Spark API and provide interfaces to Spark packages.

```
library(sparklyr)
spark_install(version = "2.1.1")
sc <- spark_connect(master = "local")
my_tbl <- copy_to(sc, iris)
```

<https://github.com/rstudio/sparklyr>



rsparkling



# rsparkling

- The rsparkling R package is an extension package for sparkapi / sparklyr that creates an R front-end for a Spark package (Sparkling Water from H2O) .
- This provides an interface to H2O's machine learning algorithms on Spark, using R.
- This package implements basic functionality (creating an H2OContext, showing the H2O Flow interface, and converting between Spark DataFrames and H2O Frames).

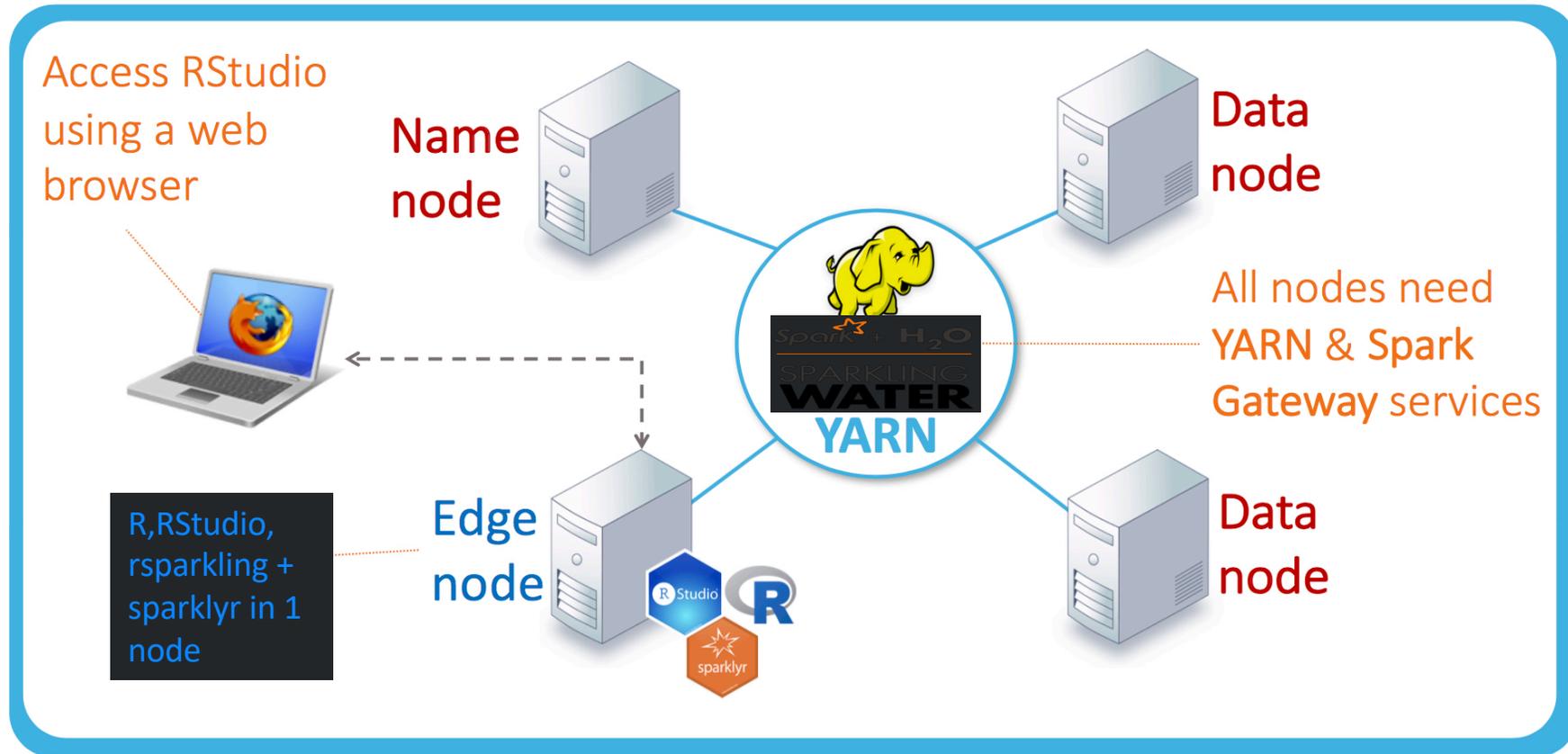
```
library(sparklyr)
spark_install(version = "2.0.0")
options(rsparkling.sparklingwater.version = "2.0.0")
library(rsparkling)
sc <- spark_connect(master = "local")
```

<https://github.com/h2oai/sparkling-water/tree/master/r>

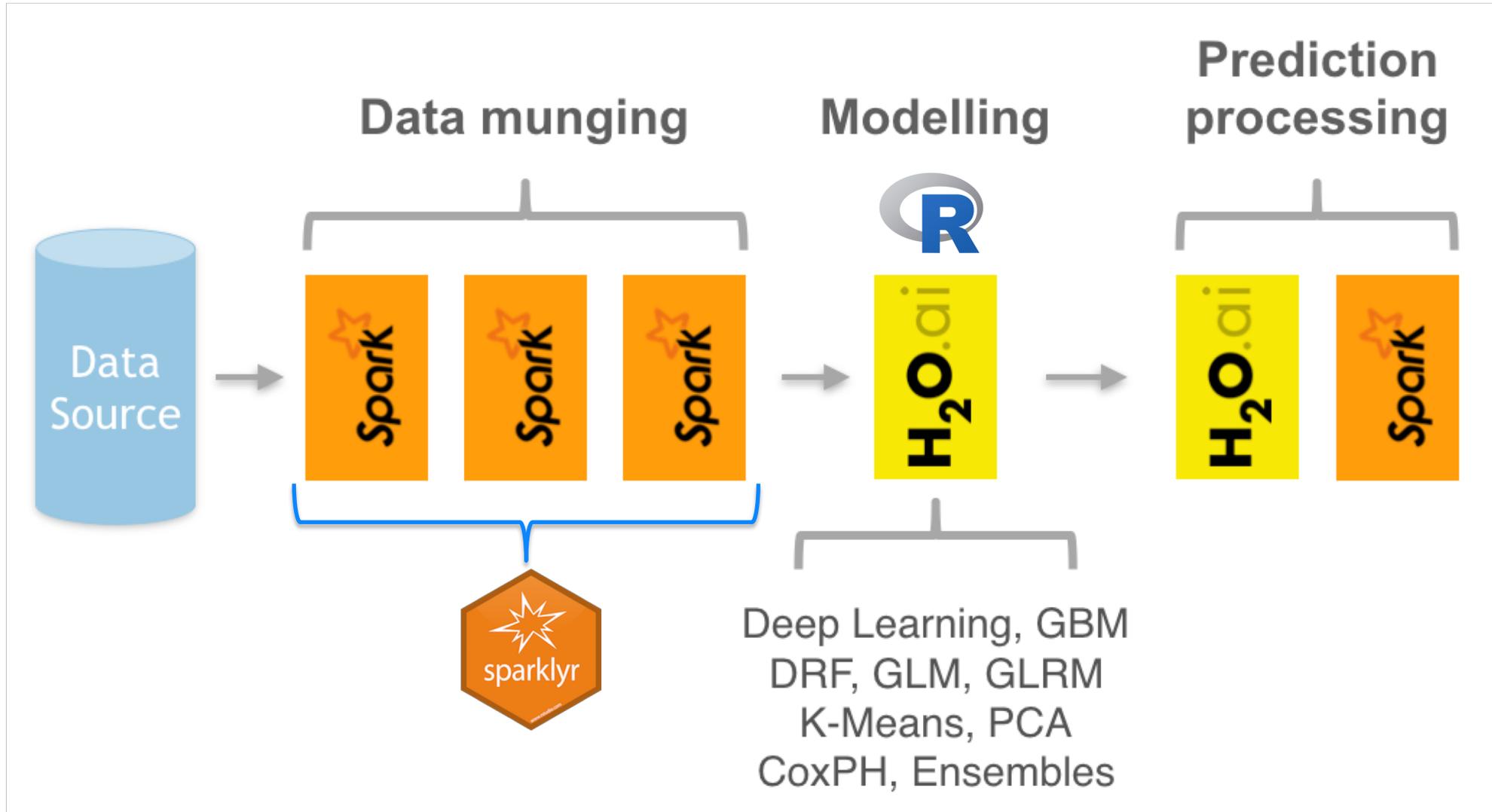


# rsparkling

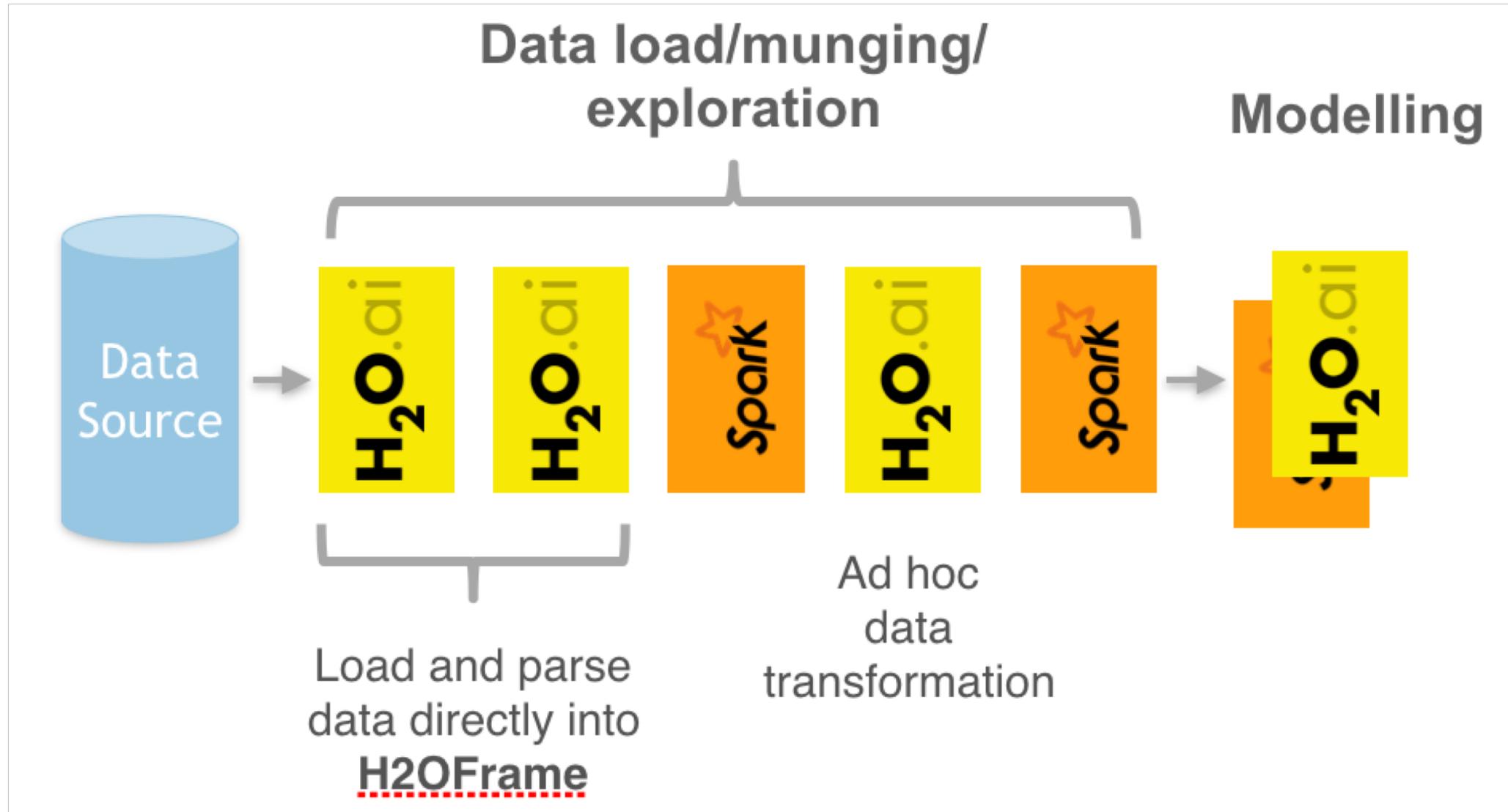
## Cluster setup



# Use Case



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# Interpretable Machine Learning

- **Intro**

- Context and Scope.

- Why

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- What

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- Explaining models with rsarking (H2O-3).

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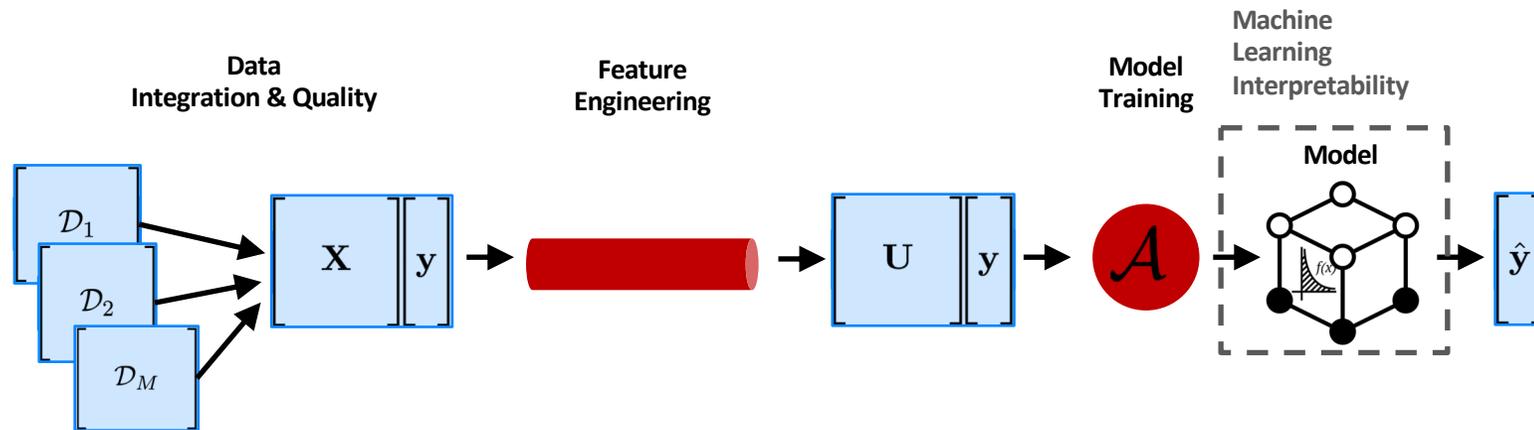
*Context and Scope*

*“[Machine learning interpretability] is the ability to explain or present in understandable terms to a human.” –*

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1702.08608.pdf>

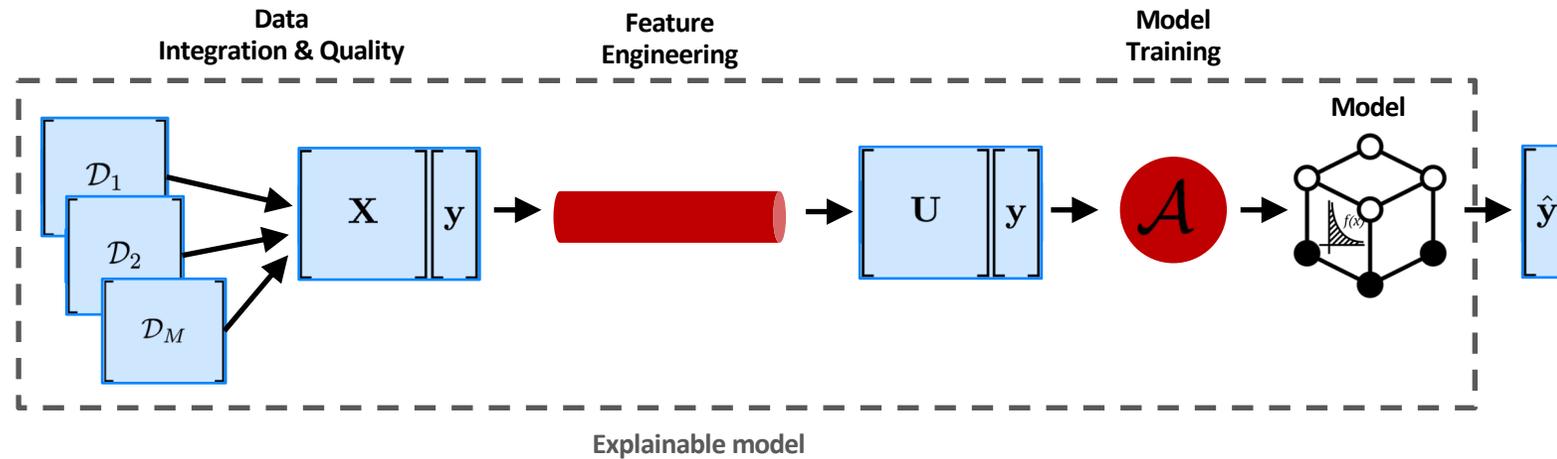
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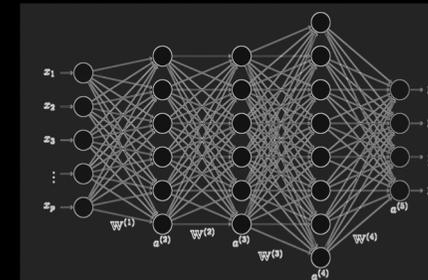
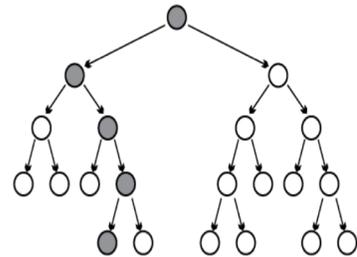
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*Why does explainability matter?*

Potential Performance and Interpretability **Trade-off**

White box model

Black box model



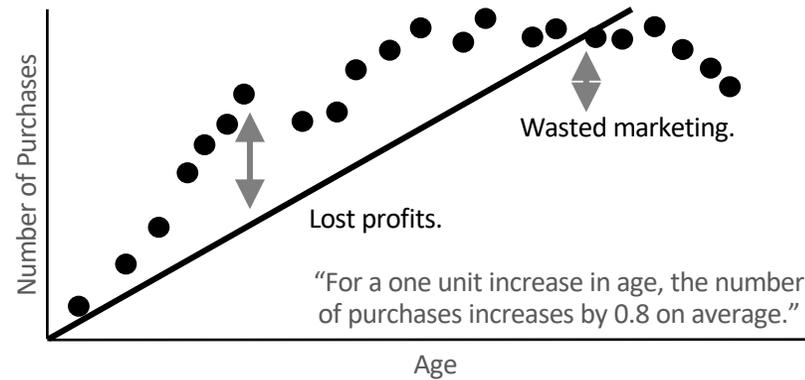
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## Potential Performance and Interpretability Trade-off

**Exact** explanations for **approximate** models.

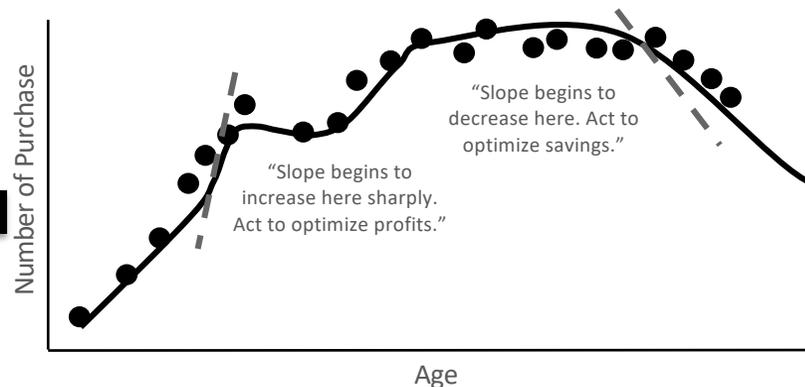
Linear models



**Approximate** explanations for **exact** models.

Sometimes...

Machine learning models

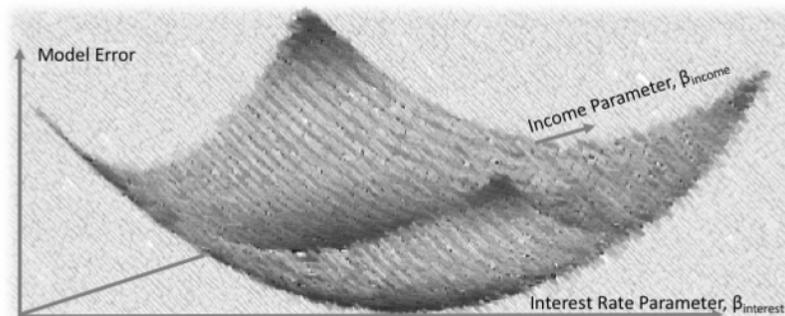


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*Why does explainability matter?*

## **Multiplicity** of Good Models

- For a given well-understood dataset there is usually **one** best linear model, but...



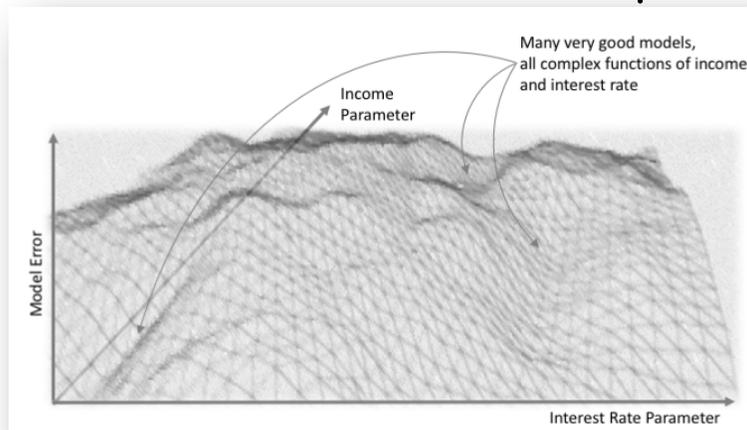
One best model:  $f(\text{Income}, \text{Interest Rate}) \sim \beta_{\text{income}} * \text{Income} + \beta_{\text{interest}} * \text{Interest Rate}$

# Interpretable Machine Learning

*Why does explainability matter?*

## Multiplicity of Good Models

- ... for a given well-understood dataset there are usually **many good** ML models. Which one to **choose**?
- Same **objective metrics** values, **performance**, ...
- This is often referred to as “the **multiplicity** of good models.” -- [Leo Breiman](#)

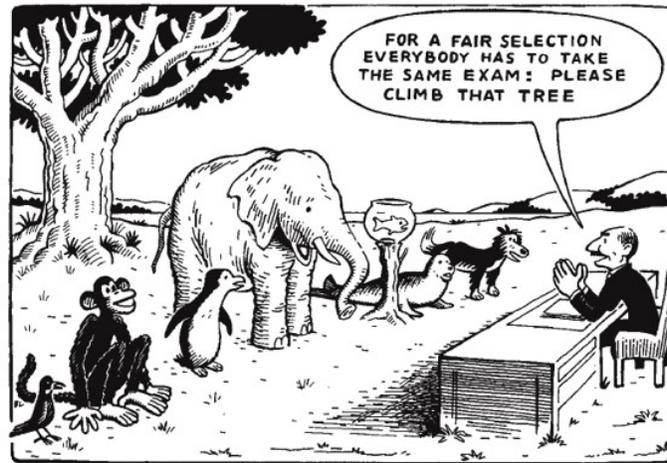


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*Why does explainability matter?*

## Fairness and Social Aspects

- Gender
- Age
- Ethnicity
- Health
- Sexual behavior



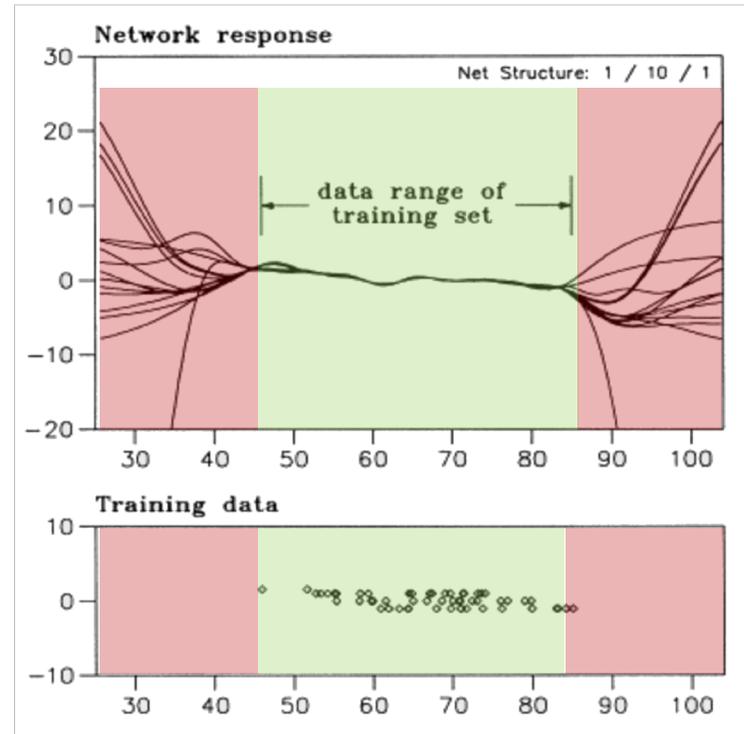
- Avoid **discriminatory models** and remediate [disparate impact](#).

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*Why does explainability matter?*

## Trust of model producers & consumers

- Dataset  
vs.  
**real world**
- ML adoption
- Introspection
- Sensitivity
- OOR
- Diagnostics
- “Debugging”



Source: <http://www.vias.org/tmdatanaleng/>

# Interpretable Machine Learning

*Why does explainability matter?*

## **Security and Hacking**

- Goal: **compromise** model integrity
- Attack types:
  - **Exploratory**
    - Surrogate model trained to identify vulnerabilities ~ MLI.
    - Trial and error (for specific class) x indiscriminate attacks.
  - **Causative**
    - Models trained w/ adversary datasets.
    - Local model > adversarial instance > target model.
      - Standard / continuous learning.
    - **Integrity** (compromise system integrity)
      - False negative instance e.g. fraud passes check.
    - **Availability** (compromise system availability)
      - False positive instance e.g. blocks access to legitimate instances.

# Interpretable Machine Learning

*Why does explainability matter?*

## **Regulated & Controlled** Environments

- Legal requirements
  - Banking, insurance, healthcare, ...
- Predictions explanation
  - Decisions justification (reason codes\*, ...).
- Fairness
- Security
- Accuracy first vs. **interpretability** first
  - Competitions vs. real world.

# Interpretable Machine Learning

*So, why does explainability matter?*

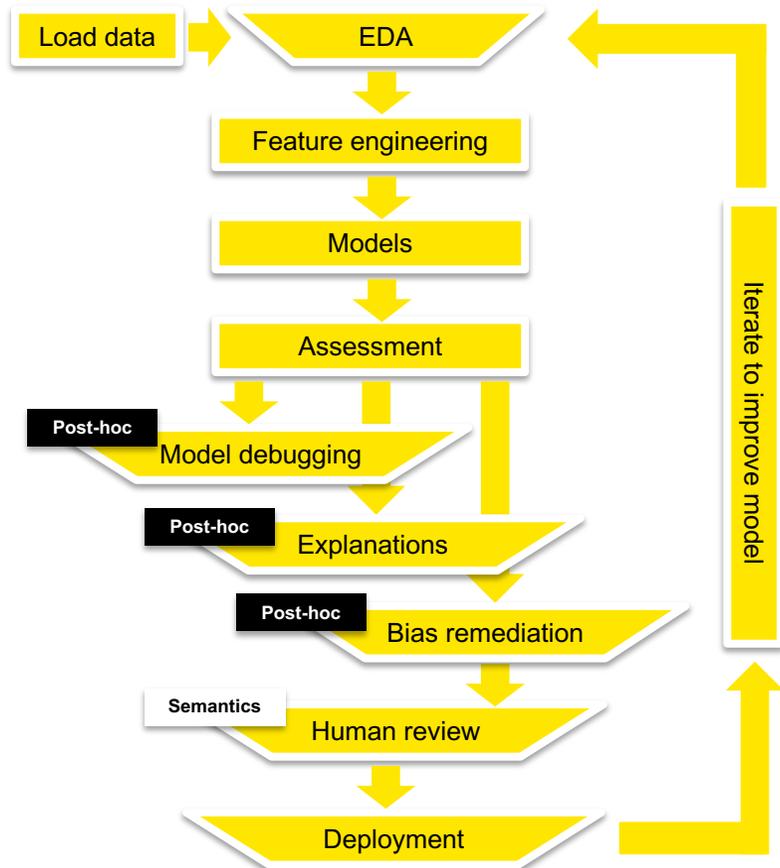
- **Balance** Performance and interpretability.
- **Multiplicity** of good models.
- **Fairness** and **social** aspects.
- **Trust** of model producers and consumers.
- **Security** and **hacking**.
- **Regulated/controlled** environments .

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*Steps to build human centered, low-risk models*



- **Post-hoc model debugging**

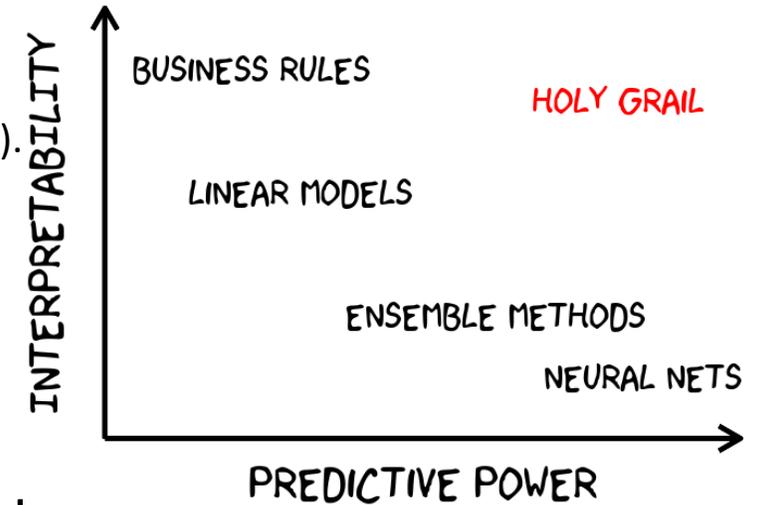
- What-if, sensitivity analysis (accuracy).

- **Post-hoc explanations**

- Reason codes.

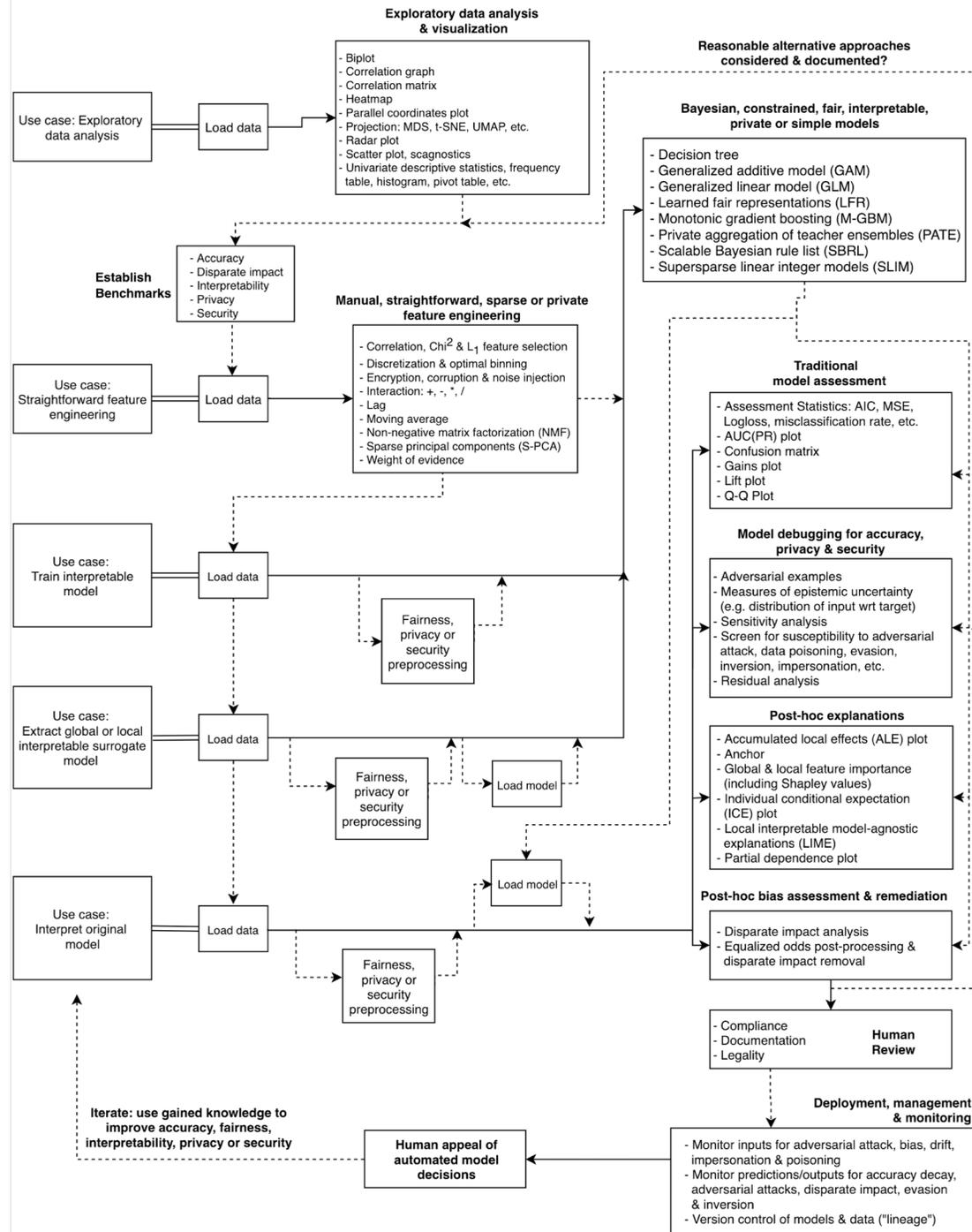
- **Post-hoc bias assessment and remediation**

- Disparate impact analysis.



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*Detailed steps to build human centered, low-risk models...*

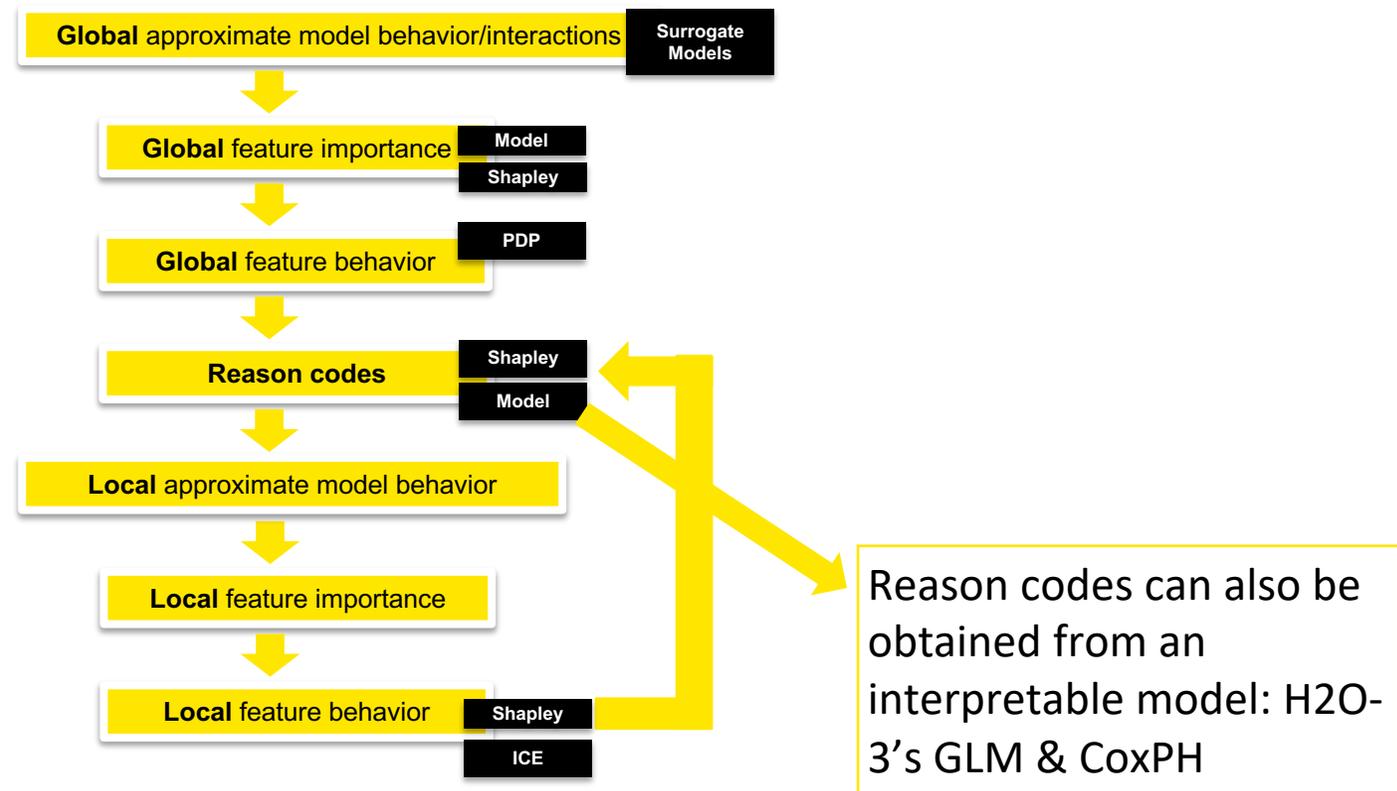


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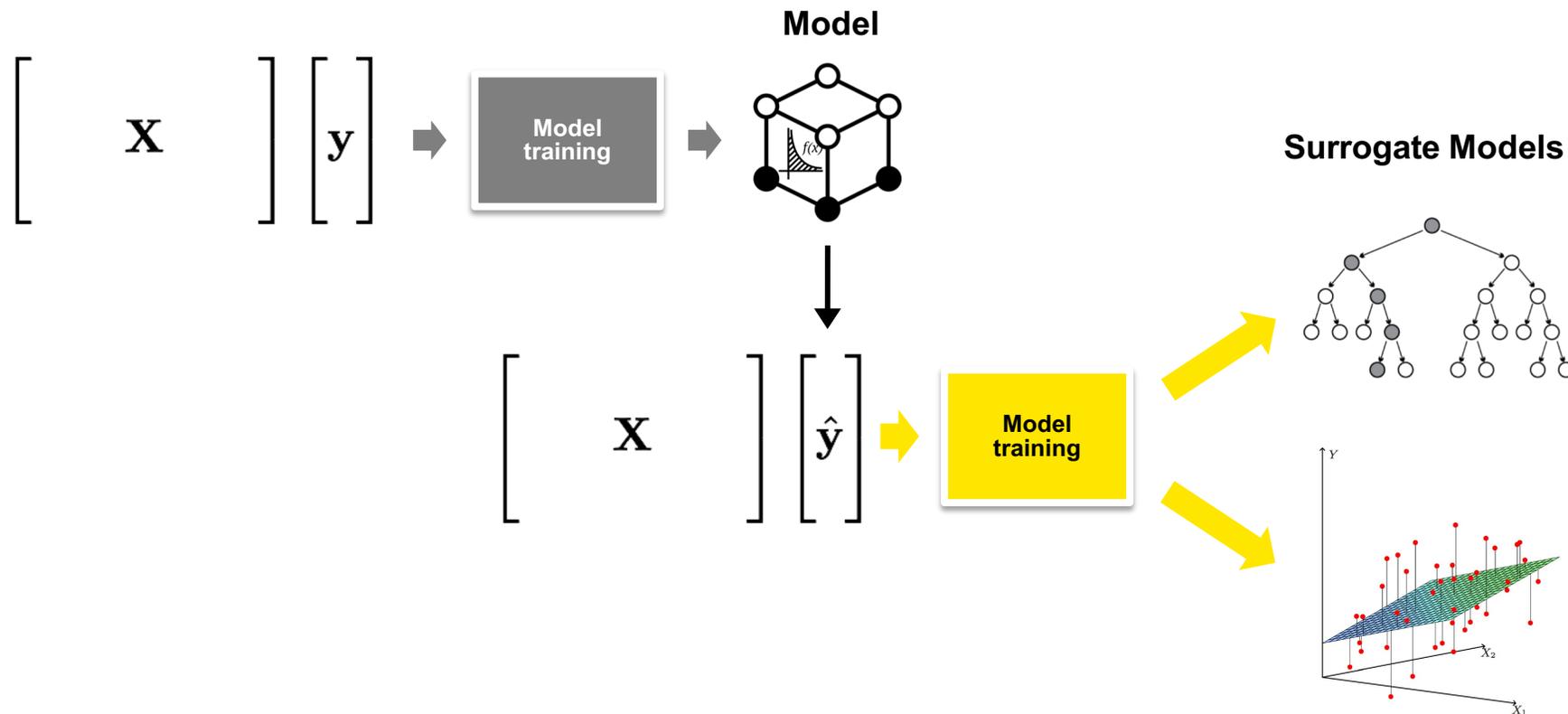
## **Global Approximate Model Behavior/Interaction**

- **Challenge:**
  - Black-box models
  - Original vs. transformed features.
- **Solution:** Surrogate models
  - **Pros**
    - Increases any black-box model's interpretability
    - Time complexity
  - **Cons**
    - Accuracy

# Interpretable Machine Learning

*Explaining models with rsparkling (H2O-3)*

## Surrogate Models



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## **Global Feature Importance: Original Model**

- **Challenges:**

- Black-box models
- Original vs. transformed features

- **Solutions:**

- Model Introspection
  - **Pros:**
    - Accuracy
  - **Cons:**
    - Global only

# Interpretable Machine Learning

*Explaining models with rsparkling (H2O-3)*

## **Global Feature Importance: Shapley Values**

- **Challenge**
  - Black-box models
- **Solutions:**
  - Shapley values
    - Pros:
      - Accuracy
      - Math correctness
      - Global and local
    - Cons:
      - Time complexity

# Interpretable Machine Learning

## Explaining models with rsparkling (H2O-3)

### Shapley Values

- [Lloyd Shapley](#)
  - American mathematician who won **Nobel** prize in 2012 (Economics).
  - Shapley values was his Ph.D. thesis written in **50s**.
- **Shapley values:**
  - Supported by **solid** mathematical (game) theory.
  - Calculation has **exponential** time complexity (number of coalitions).
  - Typically **unrealistic to compute** in real world.
  - Can be computed in **global** or **local** scope.
  - **Guarantee** fair distribution among features in the instance.
  - Does **not** work well in **sparse** cases, **all** features must be used.
  - Return **single value per feature**, not a model.



ALGORITHM: Shapley value  $\sim$  contribution of feature  $f$  in sample  $e$

Method:

- have dataset and chose example  $e$  and feature  $f$
- compute marginal contribution of feature  $f$  in  $e$  for every feature coalition
  - for  $\forall$  coalition  $c$ :
    - eliminate all features which are not in current coalition  $c$  of using value from other randomly selected example  $e'$
  - repeat...
    - with feature  $f$  in coalition  $\Rightarrow v^w$
    - without feature  $f$  in coalition  $\Rightarrow v^w/o$  (randomly select other sample/ use  $e'$  and take value of  $f$  from there)
  - marginal  $f$  contribution in  $e$  and coalition  $c$  :  $v^w - v^w/o = v^c$
- marginal feature contribution is  $\text{SHAPLEY}(f)^e = \text{AVG}(\mathcal{N}_c)_{c=1}^{c=2^f}$   $\sim$  number of coalitions  $\sim$  exponential  $O(2^f)$

SHAPLEY VALUES

GAME  $\sim$  single instance  $i$   
coalition  $c$  - any restriction

PLAYERS  $\sim$  feature is player  
players cooperate in coalition to receive gains

Global  $\downarrow$   
AVG all local shapley values  $e_i$

if you do this for multiple samples  $e$  then you will be more precise

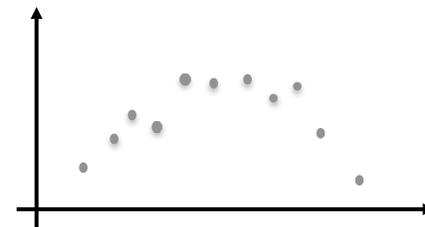
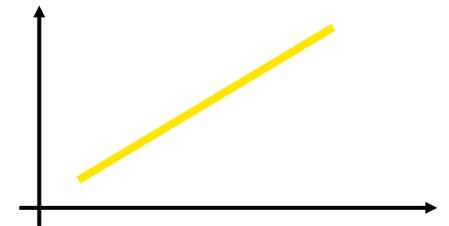
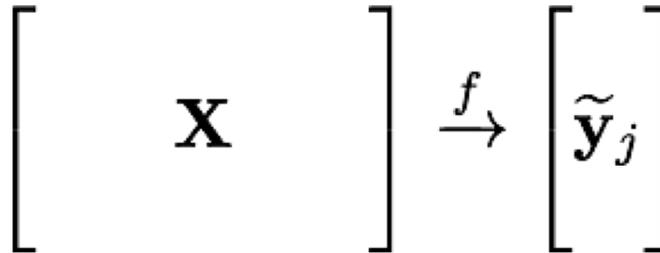
Local  $\uparrow$

# Interpretable Machine Learning

*Explaining models with rsparkling (H2O-3)*

## Global Feature Behavior:

- **Solution:** PDP (Partial Dependency Plots)
  - **Pros**
    - Time complexity
    - Original features
    - White/black model interpretability
  - **Cons**
    - Accuracy



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## **Reason codes: Local Feature Importance**

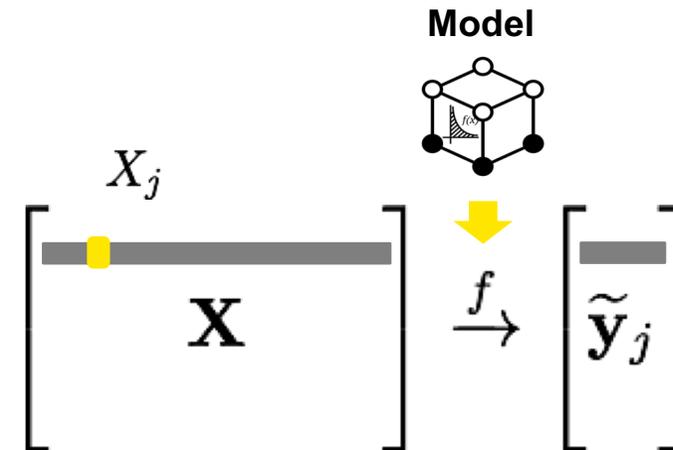
- **Use Cases:**
  - Predictions explanations
  - Legal
  - Debugging
  - Drill-down
- From **global to local** scope
  - Shapley

# Interpretable Machine Learning

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## Local Feature Behavior:

- **Solution:** ICE (Individual Conditional Expectation)
  - **Pros**
    - Time complexity
    - White/black model interpretability
  - **Cons**
    - Accuracy

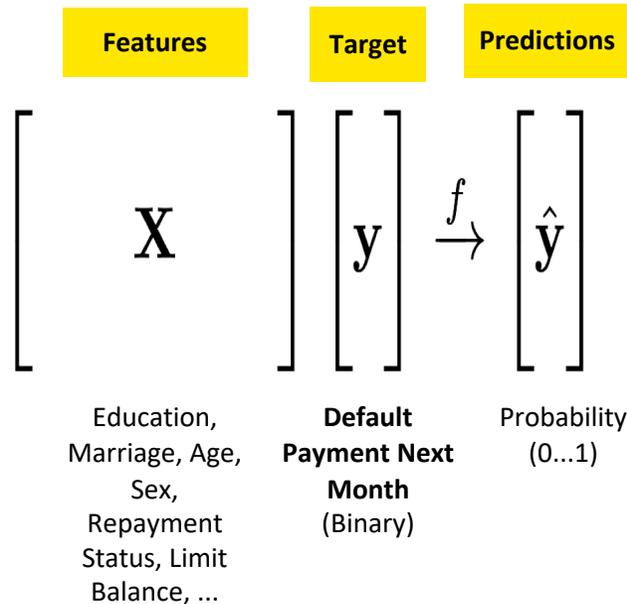


# Key Takeaways

- Interpretability **matters**
- **Control** model interpretability **end to end**
- Prefer **interpretable models**
- **Test** both your model and explanatory software
- Use synergy of **local & global** techniques
- **Shapley** values

# Demo of interpretable ML in H2O-3

## Dataset: Credit Card



Column Name	Description
ID	ID of each client
LIMIT_BAL	Amount of given credit in NT dollars (includes individual and family/supplementary credit)
SEX	Gender (1=male, 2=female)
EDUCATION	(1=graduate school, 2=university, 3=high school, 4=others, 5=unknown, 6=unknown)
MARRIAGE	Marital status (1=married, 2=single, 3=others)
AGE	Age in years
PAY_x {1, ...,6}	Repayment status in August, 2005 – April, 2005 (-1=paid duly, 1=payment delay for 1 month, ..., 8=payment delay for 8 months)
BILL_AMT_x {1, ..., 6}	Amount of bill statement in September, 2005 – April, 2005 (NT dollar)
PAY_AMT_x {1, ..., 6}	Amount of previous payment in September, 2005 – April, 2005 (NT dollar)
default_payment_next_month	Default payment (1=yes, 0=no)

Demo: [https://github.com/navdeep-G/sdss-2019/blob/master/r/rsparkling\\_mli.R](https://github.com/navdeep-G/sdss-2019/blob/master/r/rsparkling_mli.R)



# Interpretable Machine Learning Resources

- Booklets/Books:
  - [Ideas on Interpreting Machine Learning](#) by Patrick Hall, Wen Phan, & SriSatish Ambati
  - [An Introduction to Machine Learning Interpretability](#) by Patrick Hall & Navdeep Gill
  - [Interpretable Machine Learning](#) by Christoph Molnar
  - Of course, there are many more ...
- Presentations:
  - [Human Friendly Machine Learning](#) by Patrick Hall
  - [Ideas on Machine Learning Interpretability](#) by Navdeep Gill
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- GitHub repositories:
  - [Awesome Machine Learning Interpretability](#) (Contains many resources)
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