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*Panel 2 - Quantum
Computation for Machine
Learning, AI, and
Optimization*

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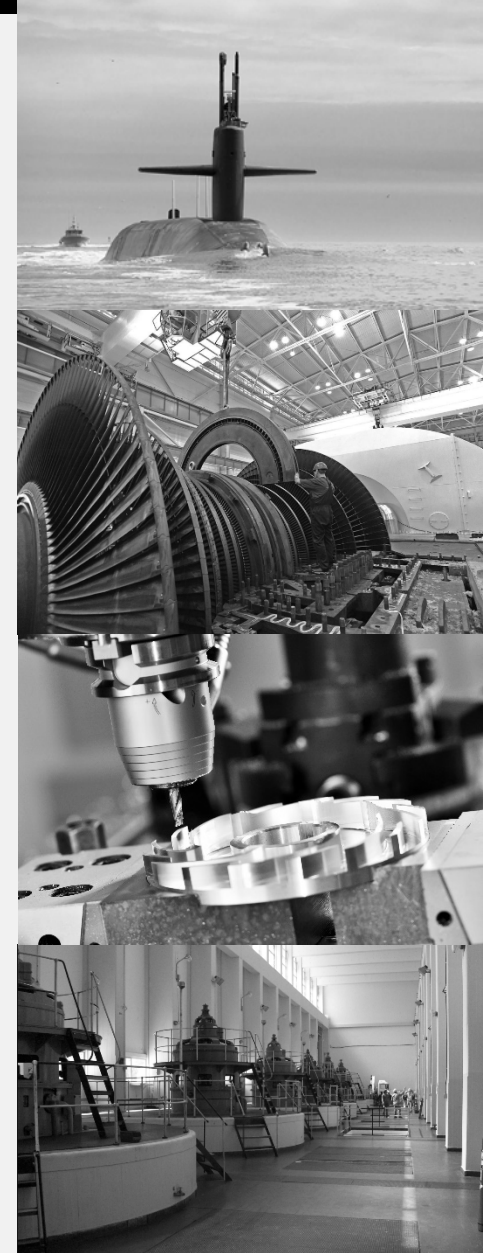
ABOUT US

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Core Business

- Analytic modeling for industrial equipment
- Interface between developers & end-users
- Integrate expertise with diagnostic systems



MACHINE LEARNING

Big Data (storage & retrieval)

- **Challenge** – expert today must carefully manage data files (which expand/contract based on amount of history and sampling intervals)
- **Solution** – improve computational power such that key features are extracted from raw data for use in “traditional” computation systems
- Enables machine learning algorithms to be focused on uncompressed data (full-featured)

Comparison to 1st Principals

- Real-time comparison of sensed parameters to possible physics-based states, validating data or creating virtual sensors
- Enables machine learning algorithms to utilize “calculated” parameters that cannot be sensed, but must be within certain bounds

*Goal: Transform
Big Data into
Small
(meaningful)
Information*

BIG DATA – STORAGE & RETRIEVAL CHALLENGE

| Number of Points | Sample Interval | Duration | File Size |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| 100 | 24-hour | 6-years | 2 MB |
| 100 | 1-hour | 18-months | 11 MB |
| 100 | 1-minute | 1-month | 30 MB |
| 100 | 1-minute | 18-months | 420 MB |

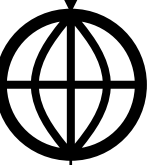
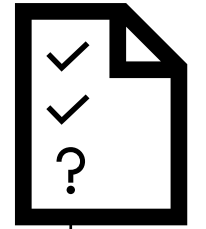
In a fossil fired boiler, we might be interested in 1000 points for 5 years at 1-second intervals!

Can we process individual records through a quantum reduction program that keeps data fidelity but reduces the number of records drastically (similar to current compression algorithms)?

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Diagnostic knowledge from “Big Text”

- Can we structure information that can be presented back to a user about a specific problem (e.g. troubleshooting a pump)?
- Troubleshooting requires processing as much knowledge as possible (start with generic) adding new information when uncertain.
- Humans do not have time (or budget) to know when to look for new information and where to look for it.
- Could Quantum calculations determine most optimal new information source (most relevant).



OPTIMIZATION

Emissions Reduction

- Can we model emissions profile at atomic level and optimize combustion/reduce emissions?
- Model molecular interactions
- Measure samples in flue gas
- Feedback controls to combustion optimization; environmental control equipment

Maintenance Optimization

- Prognostic models – convergence of prediction horizons – based on results of ML apps, compute likelihood of different paths (like hurricane path forecasting)

*Better
understand
uncertain
calculations by
improving model
fidelity*

THANK YOU

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