

# Using Artificial Intelligence to prevent healthcare errors from occurring

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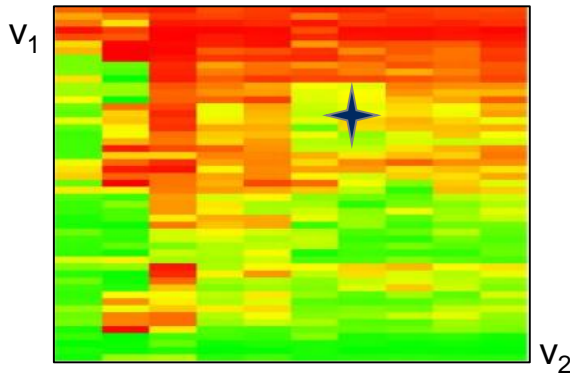
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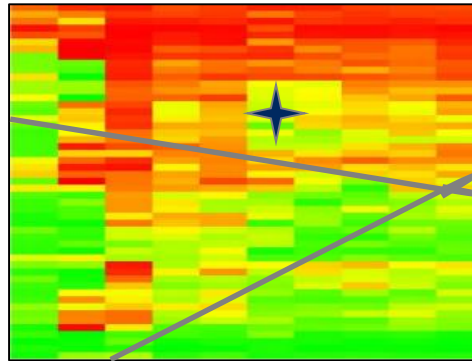
# Why is machine learning different?

## The actual phenomenon (real historical data)



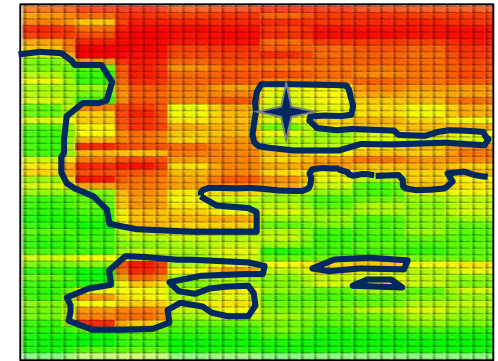
Real life phenomenon come in “all shapes and flavors” – showing patterns that are usually complex, non-linear and apparently disorganized

## How Traditional stats sees it



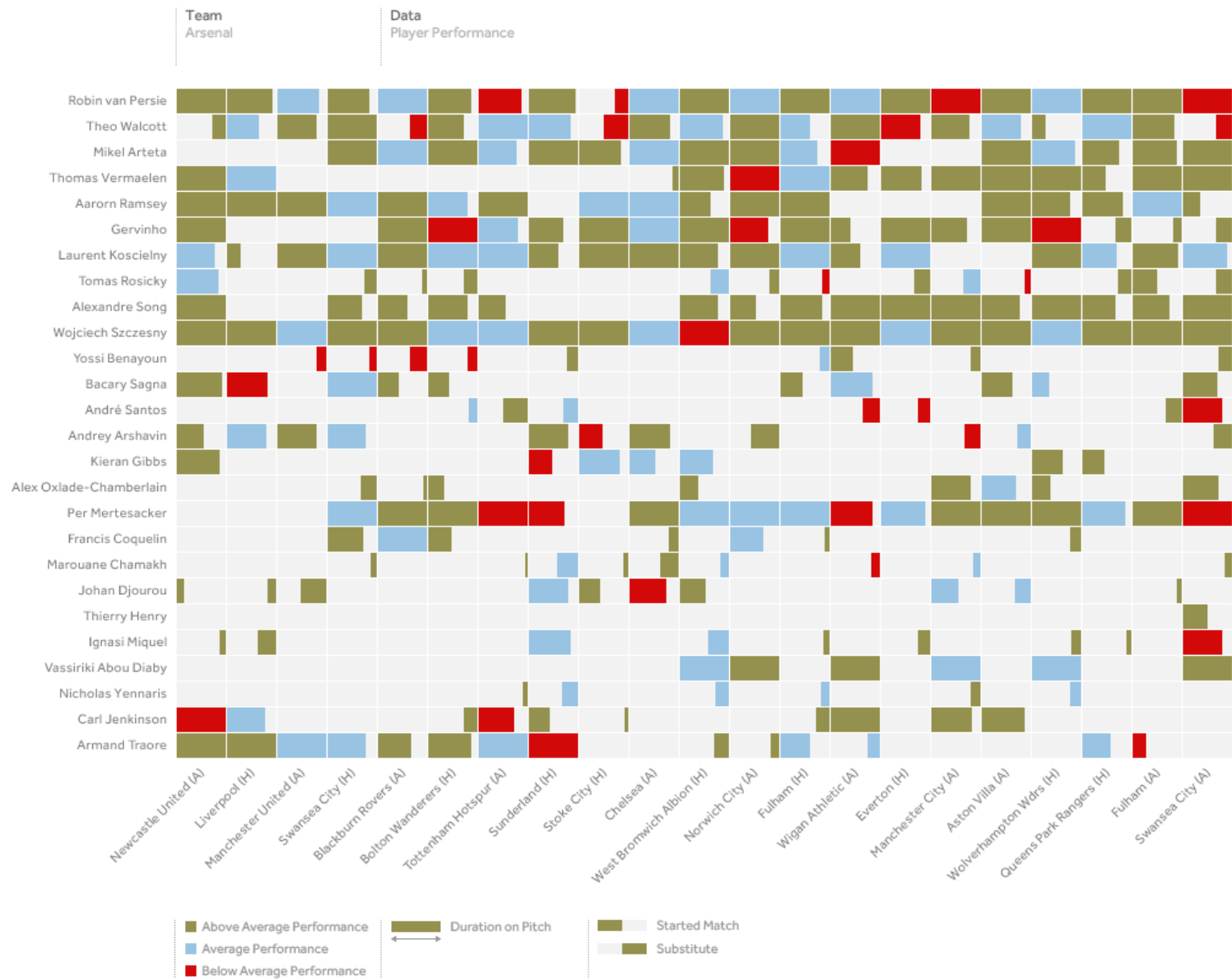
Traditional stats will fit a predetermined “shape” into the phenomenon (e.g. linear, quadratic, logarithmic models) – the square peg into the round hole!

## How Machine Learning sees it



While ML algorithms are adapting themselves by spotting & recording patterns without clinging to any predetermined corset

# Improving injury prediction in premiership football



90 %

Improvement in accuracy of forecasting non-impact injuries:

Forecast 170 of 184 non-impact muscle injuries across four squads and two years



Telecoms

# Improving fault rate

## Situation

Leading European telecoms and broadband provider needing to improve faults

## Approach

Full data capture of all network activities, customer and geolocation data to predict faults

## Impact

75 %

Faults predicted

90 %

Predicted faults prevented

60 %

Inbound service calls reduction

➤ Industry leading customer satisfaction score



# Predictive maintenance at a coal fired power station helped to reduce mill downtime by >50%

## Situation

- Station was suffering from low availability, unplanned maintenance was >3x the global average
- Three components found to be key drivers of failure
- Goal to reduce unplanned losses due to mill failures

## Approach

Collected data 7 different data bases and logs

Identified key failures and validated failure events

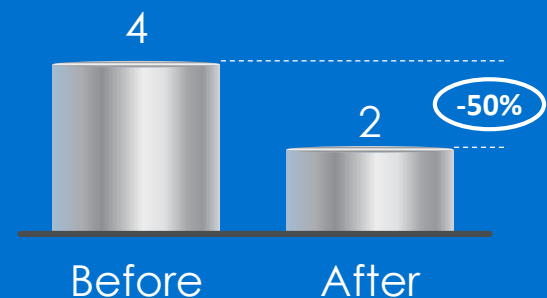
Used machine learning to define and predict failures

Developed user interface to plan maintenance on time and implemented to shop floor

## Impact

Model predicts failure 3 months in advance with >75% accuracy

Down time reduced by >50%



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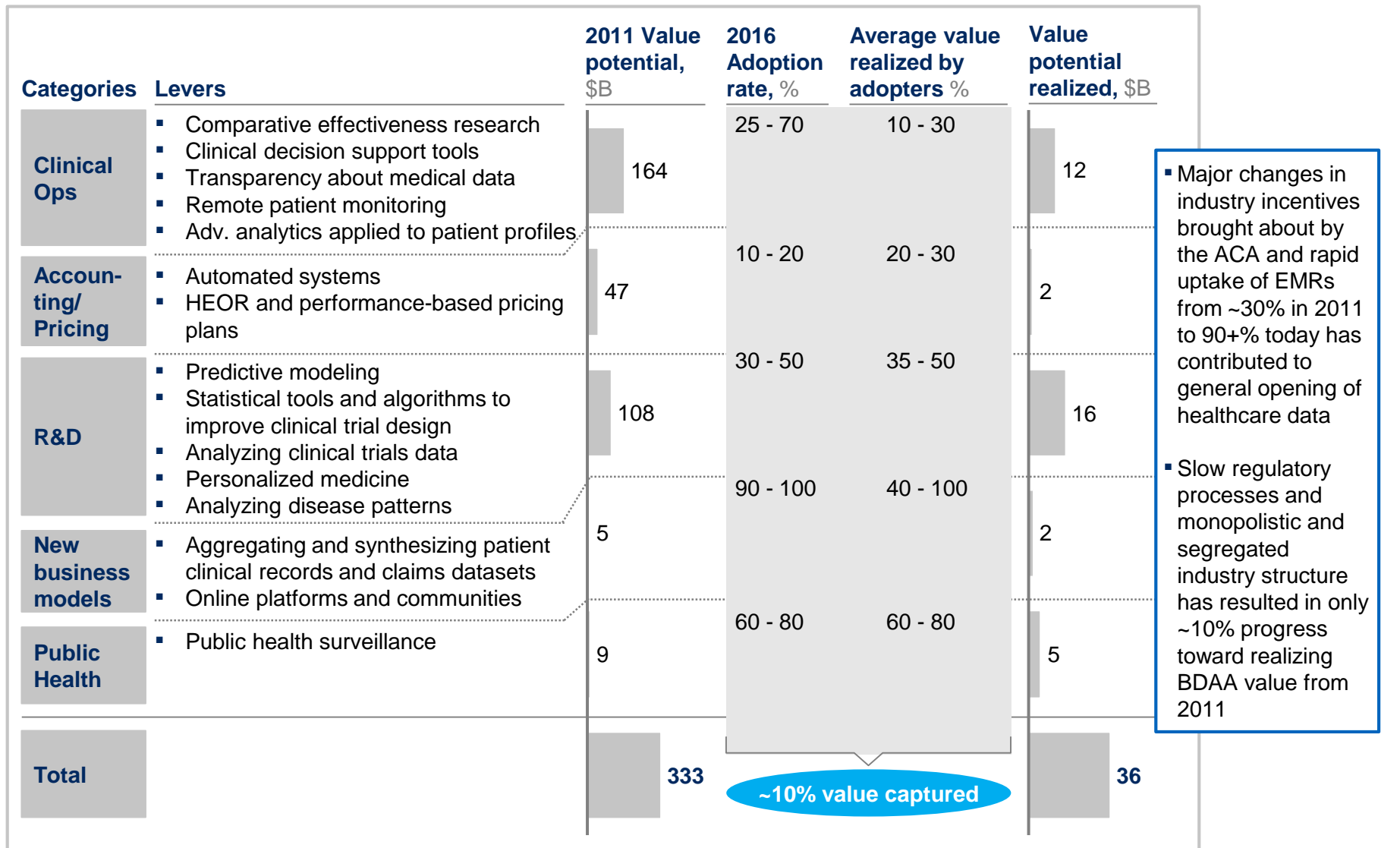
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# US healthcare has seen increased adoption but only captured ~10% of 2011 value estimate



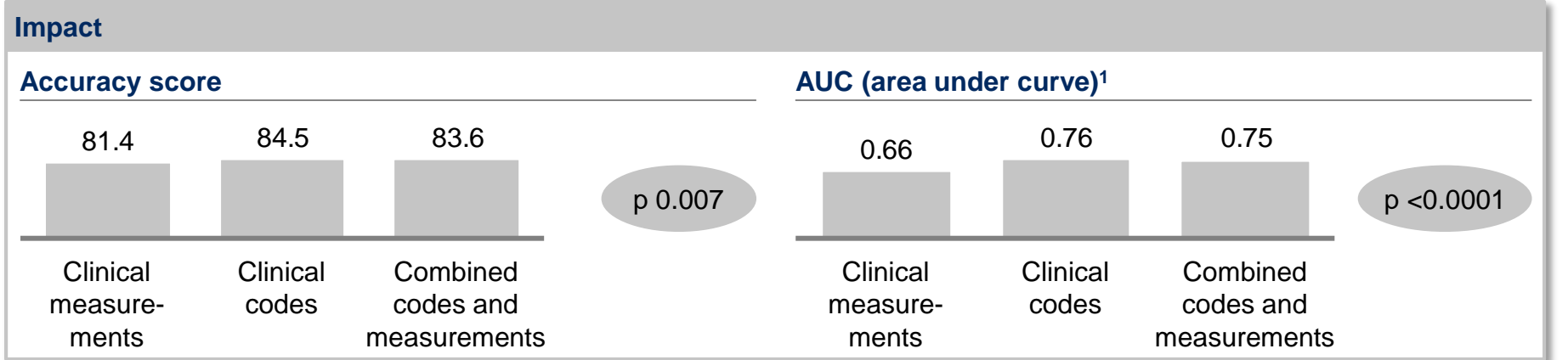
# Proof of concept established for machine learning based predictive modelling to detect adverse drug events using EHR data

Summary

- Machine learning (random forest model) can be used to accurately predict ADEs (adverse drug events) using data from EHRs (electronic health records)
- Clinical coding data (used to record diagnoses and prescribed drugs) has higher predictive performance than clinical measurements – though both used in combination have higher predictive performance for certain ADEs
- Feature selection – to reduce dimensionality and sparsity – further improves predictive performance
- ADEs are responsible for ~5% of hospital admissions internationally
- Systems based on voluntary spontaneous reporting (pharma-covigilance) fail to capture ~94% of ADEs

Extracting data for machine learning from EHRs

	ADE				...				...				...
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	NO			✓	...				...			✓	...
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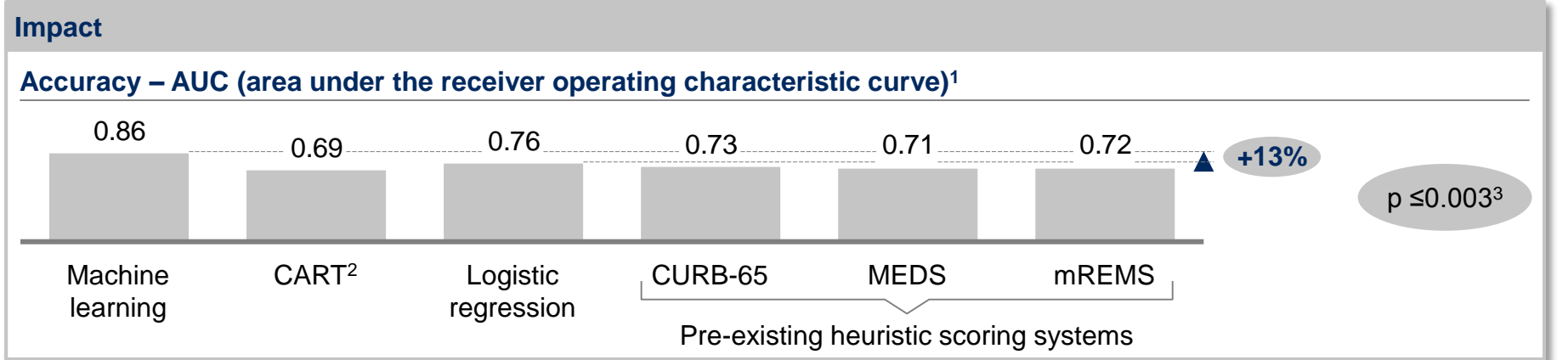


1 Standard statistical measure of diagnostic accuracy

# Proof of concept established for machine learning based predictive modelling to identify patients in ER with sepsis

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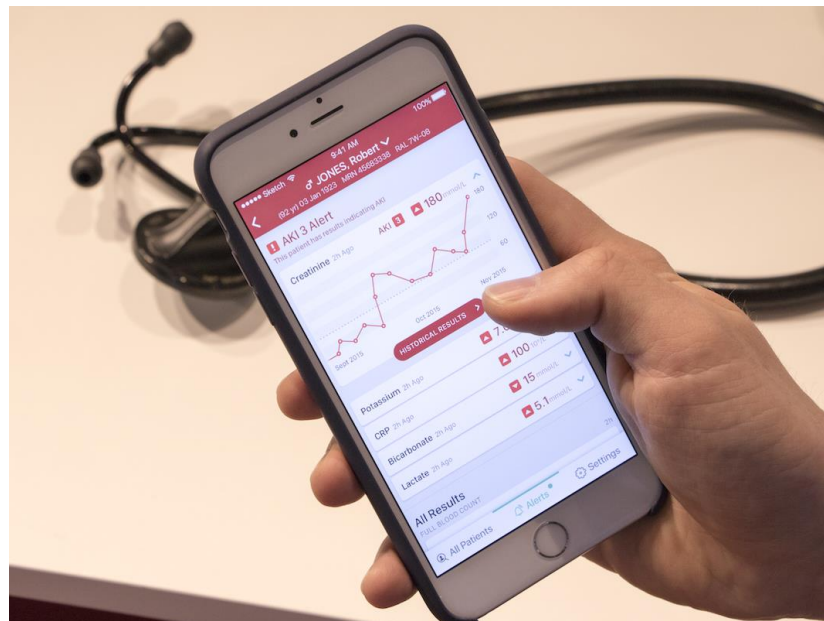
- ER patients with sepsis have a 5% mortality risk
- Machine learning (random forest model) can be used to accurately identify patients with sepsis in the ER using data from the Electronic Health Record
- The machine learning approach has significantly greater predictive performance than other clinical decision rules based models
- The method developed can be automated and applied to EHRs to predict other clinical outcomes of interest
- Machine learning methods have potential advantages over traditional heuristic methods as they have greater generalizability, can be developed quickly, and may automatically update as new information becomes available



# DeepMind and the Royal Free hospital in London have developed an AI-based instant alerting tool to identify patients at risk of AKI

## Summary

- The Royal Free NHS Foundation Trust and Google's DeepMind artificial intelligence venture have created a real-time alerting system for Acute Kidney Injury (AKI)
- AKI affects 1 in 6 hospital patients and can lead to:
  - Longer length of stay (LOS)
  - Increased critical care (CCU) utilization
  - Higher risk of mortality – estimated at ~40,000 deaths/year in England
  - Higher costs – estimated at £1bn/year across the NHS in England
- The *Streams* app monitors patients' blood test results, combined with information from the patient's EHR, and sends an instant AKI alert to the most appropriate clinician when it identifies signs of deterioration – allowing clinicians to intervene sooner
- The data sharing agreement underlying this venture has been subject to significant scrutiny and criticism<sup>1</sup> – and may be subject to an investigation by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), which has yet to report any findings publicly, and the National Data Guardian (NDG) is also continuing to look into the arrangement<sup>2</sup>
- The app took around 18 months to develop



## Impact

- Full service evaluation currently in progress
- DeepMind report positive feedback from early staff users with anecdotal evidence that:
  - App saves up to 2 hours/day of nursing time (in some settings/wards)
  - AKI identified in up to 11 patients/day through the alerting system

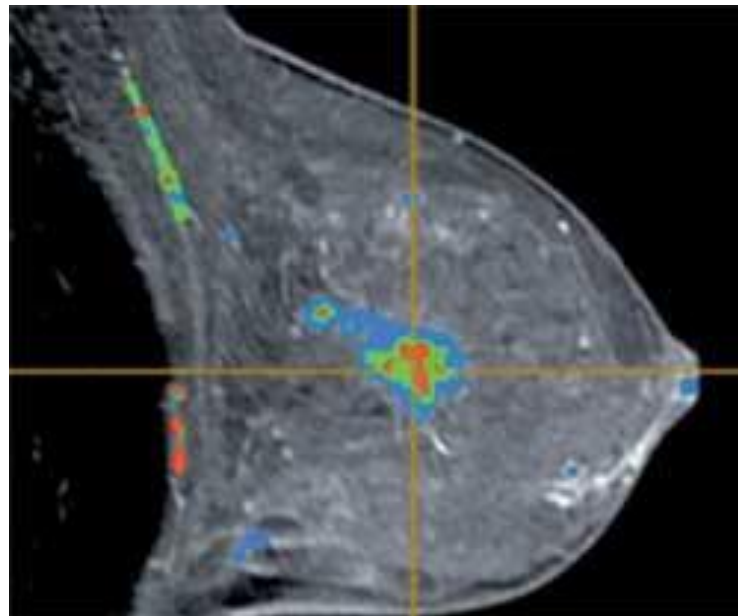
<sup>1</sup> <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs12553-017-0179-1>;

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.cam.ac.uk/research/news/deepmind-royal-free-deal-is-cautionary-tale-for-healthcare-in-the-algorithmic-age>

# Novel approach proposed for computer-aided MRI-based detection of breast cancer

## Summary

- Medical imaging plays an important role in the early detection and diagnosis of breast cancer
- Researchers at Tianjin University in China have proposed an automated computer-aided diagnosis (CADx) framework for MRI in breast cancer
- The approach combines several machine learning-based techniques, including:
  - Ensemble under-sampling (EUS) for imbalanced data processing
  - Relief algorithm for feature selection
  - Subspace method for providing data diversity
  - Adaboost for improving the base classifier performance
- Feature subsets' physical meaning subspaces were built by combining morphological features with each kind of texture or Gabor feature
- Proposals were tested using a manually segmented Region of Interest (ROI) data set, containing 438 images of malignant tumours and 1898 images of normal tissues or benign tumours
- The approach outperforms most other state-of-the-art CADx MRI diagnostic systems, significantly reducing the rate of false positive classification



## Impact

### Accuracy – AUC (area under curve)<sup>1</sup>

0.962



Tianjin approach

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# Machine learning models predict patients at risk of Hep C progression

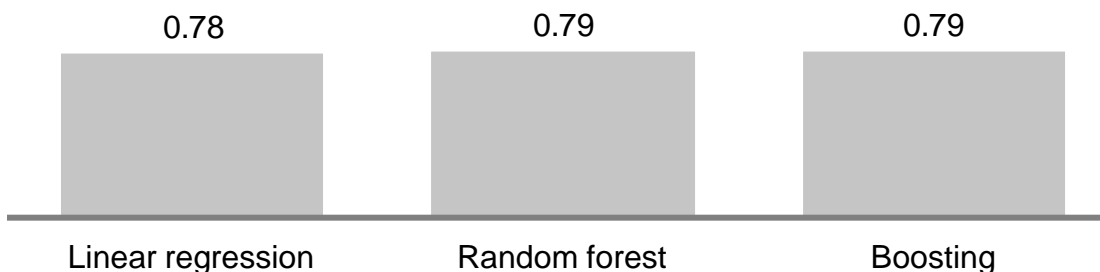
## Summary

- Prediction models that incorporate longitudinal clinical data can capture non-linear disease progression in chronic hepatitis C
- The approach uses two outcomes measures (fibrosis progression, and liver-related clinical outcomes) and a range of predictive variables based on longitudinal clinical, laboratory and histological data
- The model was constructed using logistic regression and two machine learning methods, random forest and boosting, to predict an outcome in the next 12 months
- The model can help target costly therapies to patients with the most urgent need, guide the intensity of clinical monitoring required, and provide prognostic information to patients



## Impact

### Accuracy – AUC (area under the receiver operating characteristic curve)<sup>1</sup>



- **94% negative predictive value** – the proportion of patients identified as not at risk of progression, that do not progress
- **p < 0.0001** – probability that longitudinal predictive model is superior to baseline (pre-existing) prediction models

<sup>1</sup> Standard statistical measure of diagnostic accuracy



# Machine learning tool can predict a patient's hospital re-admission risk in the next 6 months

Summary

- Machine learning to aggregate historical data and understand risk of individual patients of being re-admitted
- Segment patients to understand re-admission rates and develop predictive capabilities

Impact

Cumulative % of total admissions captured

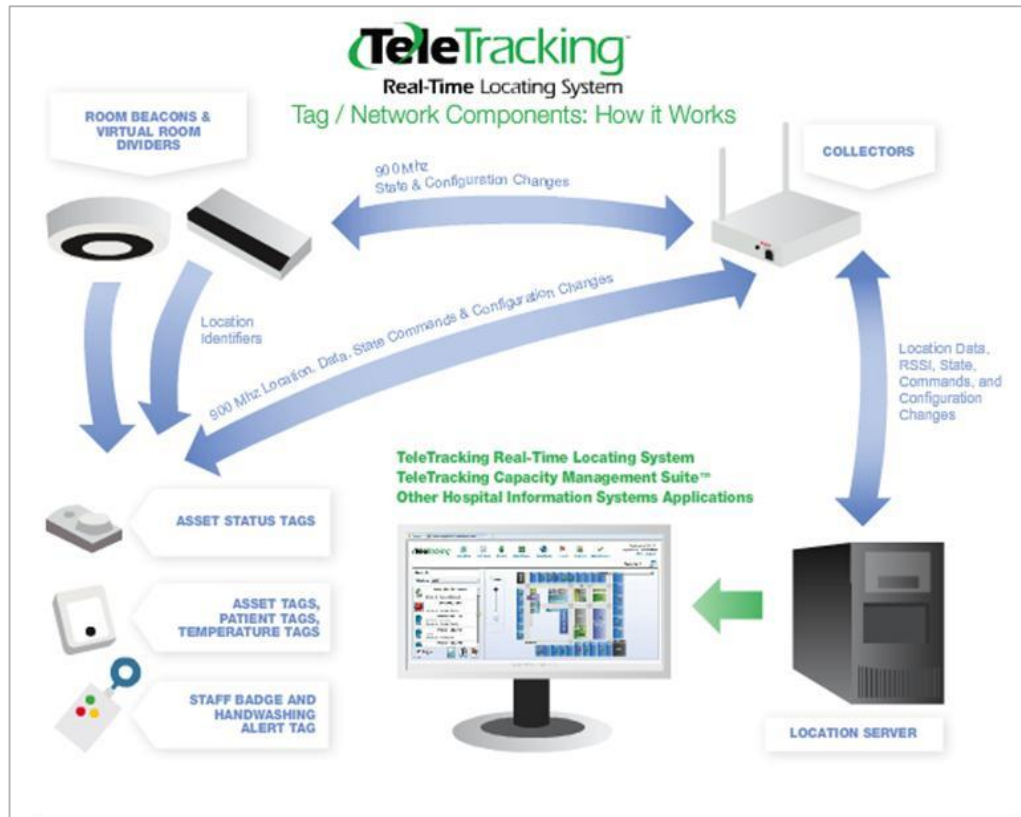
Cumulative % of members selected	Cumulative actual admission rate (%)
1	67
5	47
10	44
15	52
20	56
25	61
40	71
50	78
100	100

- Top **1%** patients identified are expected to have **67%** admission rate and account for **17%** of total admissions

# Tracking hospital operations in real-time allows automation, reducing A&E headcount by up to 50% and cutting patient waiting times in half

## Summary

- Real-time tracking improves data availability and accuracy, allowing for better capacity utilization and automation of routine administration activities



## Impact

- Up to 50% fewer FTEs in A&E
- 40-50% shorter patient waiting time

# Data-driven employee management can allow companies to identify the root causes of absenteeism and reduce related costs

## Summary

- Leading European financial institution was facing above-industry employee absenteeism
- Significant loss of value estimated at 20m USD yearly for 2k employees
- Strict regulatory environment prohibiting sanctions around absenteeism

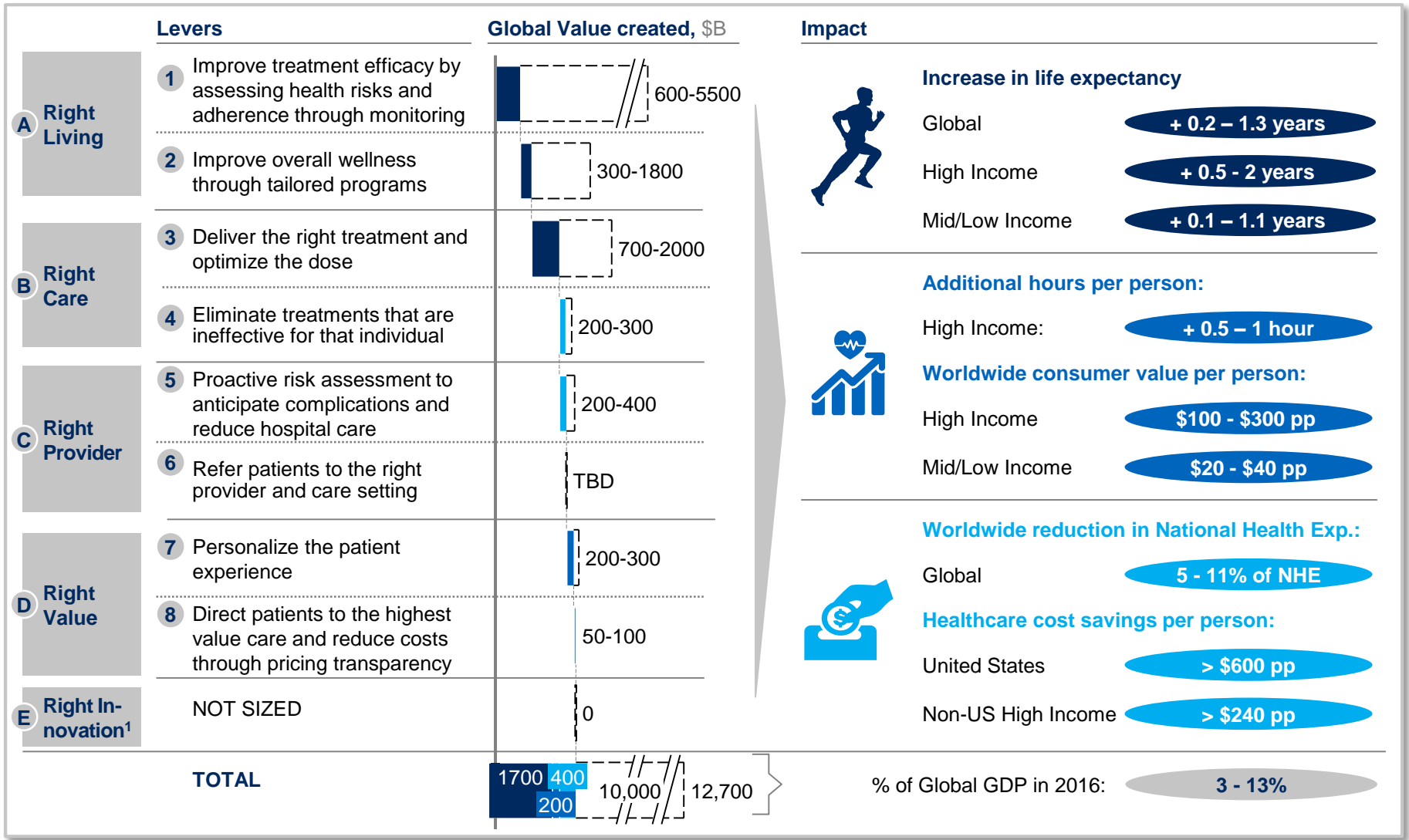
## Impact



- €15-20M saved in absenteeism costs
- Root cause drivers of attrition by cohort/cluster
- Tailored interventions based on individual risk lists

# Outlook: Significant further value at stake

■ Life extension    ■ Cost savings  
■ Quality of life    □ Additional



# Barriers in healthcare vs. location based services

- Internal Organizational barriers

External barriers to data
- Major barrier

Minor barrier

Not a barrier

	Barrier	Location based data	Healthcare
A Analytical talent and organizational change	Leadership within the organization lack a vision for how to use the insights	Not a barrier	Major barrier
	Mindsets within the organization resist change	Minor barrier	Minor barrier
	Organizations need more analytical talent	Minor barrier	Minor barrier
	Companies do not face high competitive pressure (including from data-natives)	Minor barrier	Major barrier
	Insights from analytics have not been embedded into business processes	Minor barrier	Major barrier
B Technology and IT infrastructure	Data is siloed in different parts of the organization within legacy IT systems	Minor barrier	Major barrier
	Infrastructure lacks functionality and flexibility to perform the right analyses	Minor barrier	Major barrier
C Data Access	External datasets lack interoperability	Minor barrier	Major barrier
	Major data owners are disincentivized to share data	Minor barrier	Minor barrier
	Existing data source(s) do not create a profit-making differentiation	Minor barrier	Major barrier
D Data Policies	Privacy concerns and restrictions on data usage	Minor barrier	Major barrier
	Cybersecurity concerns hamper investment and discourage use	Minor barrier	Minor barrier
	Concerns around liability and proper use of new data and analytical insights	Minor barrier	Major barrier

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■ Key focus areas

## Key questions we hear

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How do I identify and prioritise use cases?

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What kind of data infrastructure do I require?

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Which skills and capabilities do I need?

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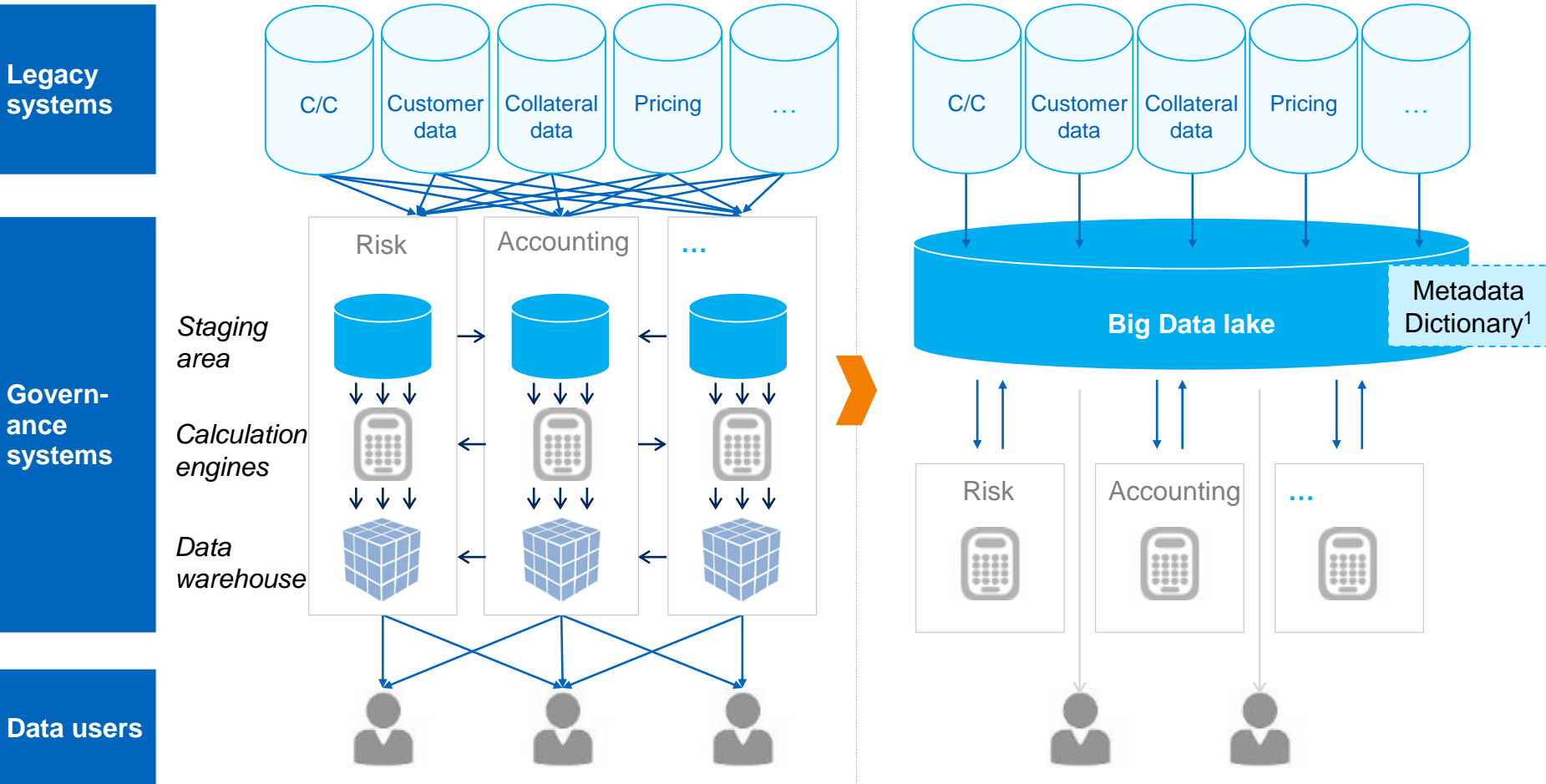


How do I ensure an agile way of working?

### 3 “Data lake” is an indispensable enabler of the analytics transformation

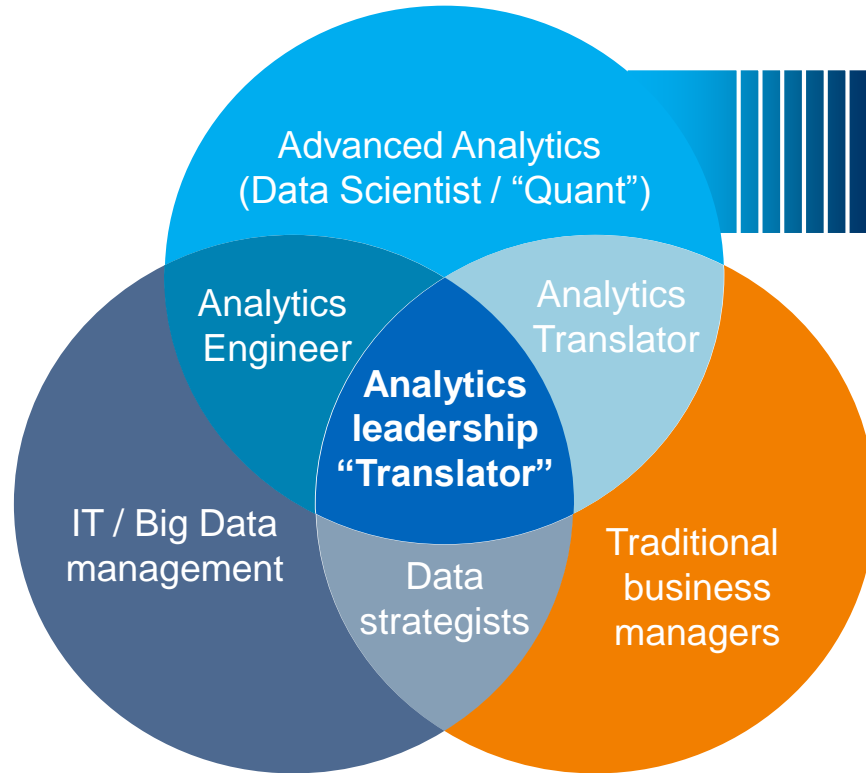
From “spaghetti” architecture with redundant DWHs and staging areas and replicated data

To all data into one repository and consolidation of all redundant DWHs and staging areas



<sup>1</sup> Fundamental instrument to use data in a structured way and derive insights

## 4 Data analytics teams needs different skills to be successful



### Roles and typical profiles needed

#### Data Scientist – "Quant"

- Background in (Applied) Mathematics, Data Mining, Statistics, Machine Learning, Computer Science, Physics
- Builds the mathematical algorithms

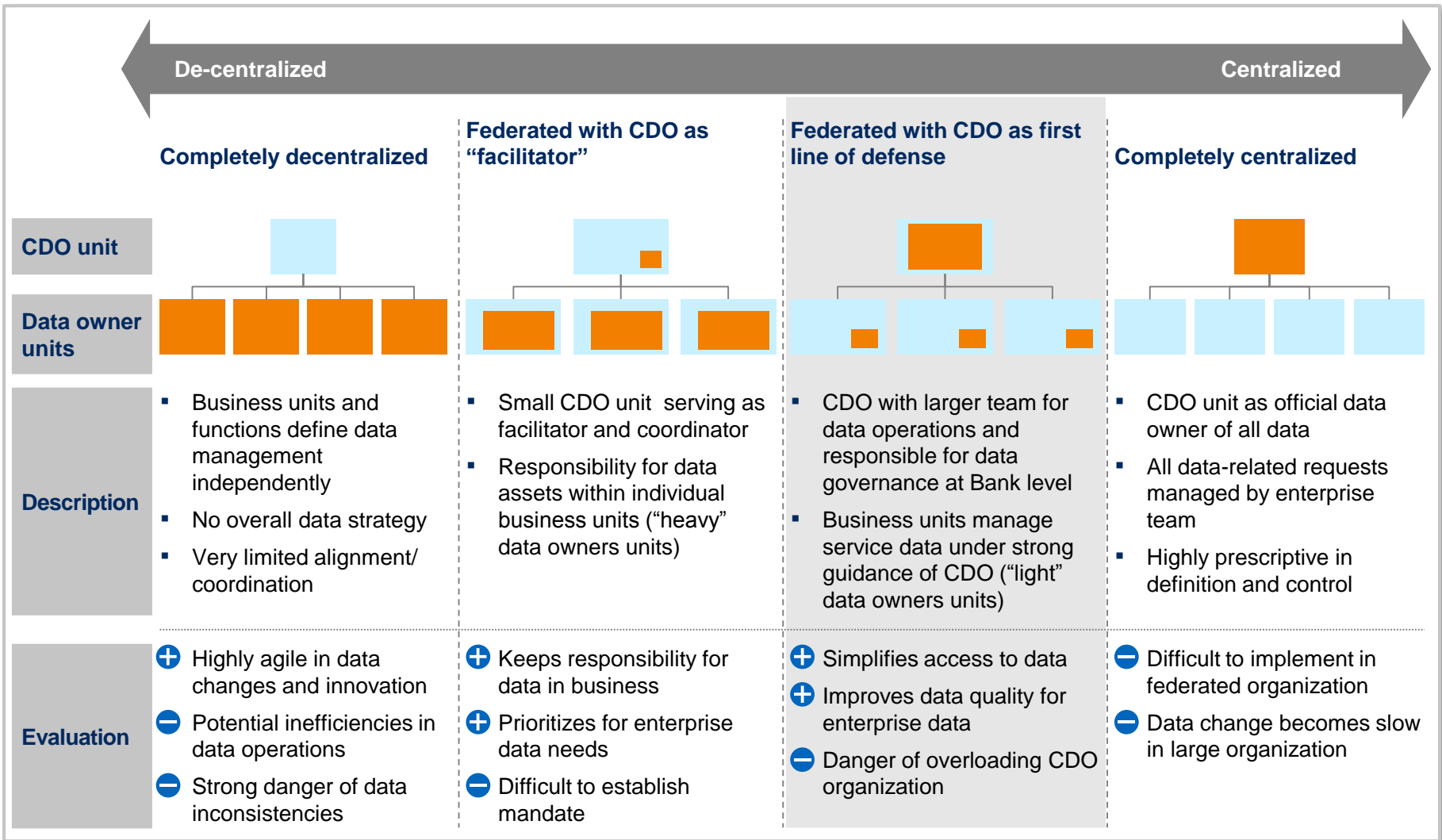
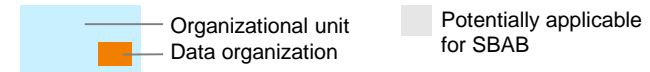
#### Analytics Engineer

- Data Scientist background with more focus on Computer Science and programming
- Takes Data Scientist's algorithms and makes them more efficient

#### Analytics Translator

- Data Scientist background + additional background and experience in business
- Understands business problem and translates into technical language and vice versa

# 7 Choosing the right organizational archetype is essential for managing data governance



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## Key take away messages

1. Huge progress to predict and prevent risk/faults across industries.
2. AI in healthcare is overhyped by stories about replacing doctors and making decisions, and under used for crucial safety and efficiency interventions
3. The longer term opportunity could be worth 3-13 % of GDP
4. Healthcare is a laggard in adoption, as opposed, for example to geolocation sector.
5. Most common mistakes/barriers include: lack of enabling data integration / interoperability, lack of investment into skills eg translators, and ineffective organizational set up
6. Ministers of Health and medical profession have an important role to create the regulatory context and conditions for the barriers to be overcome